

Exposure calculation for GP300

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Exposure (In the Case of Isotropic Flux)

$$\# \text{ of events} = \text{Flux (cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ sr}^{-1}) \times \text{Exposure (cm}^2 \text{ s sr)}$$

of events dN detected from a fixed sky region in $d\Omega$ during a period of dt :

$$dN = \text{Flux} \times d\Omega \times A_{\text{geo}} \cos \theta \times R(\theta, \phi) \times dt$$

A_{geo} : Geometrical area of the array

$R(\theta, \phi)$: Response function of the array

(Including the effect of the atmosphere, non-uniformity of the array sensitivity over the sky)

Integration over Ω and t gives the total # of events from the whole sky during the DAQ period T

$$\int dN = N = \text{Flux} A_{\text{geo}} \int_{\Omega} R(\theta, \phi) \cos \theta d\Omega \int_T dt$$

$$\text{Exposure} = A_{\text{geo}} \int_{\Omega} R(\theta, \phi) \cos \theta d\Omega \int_T dt$$

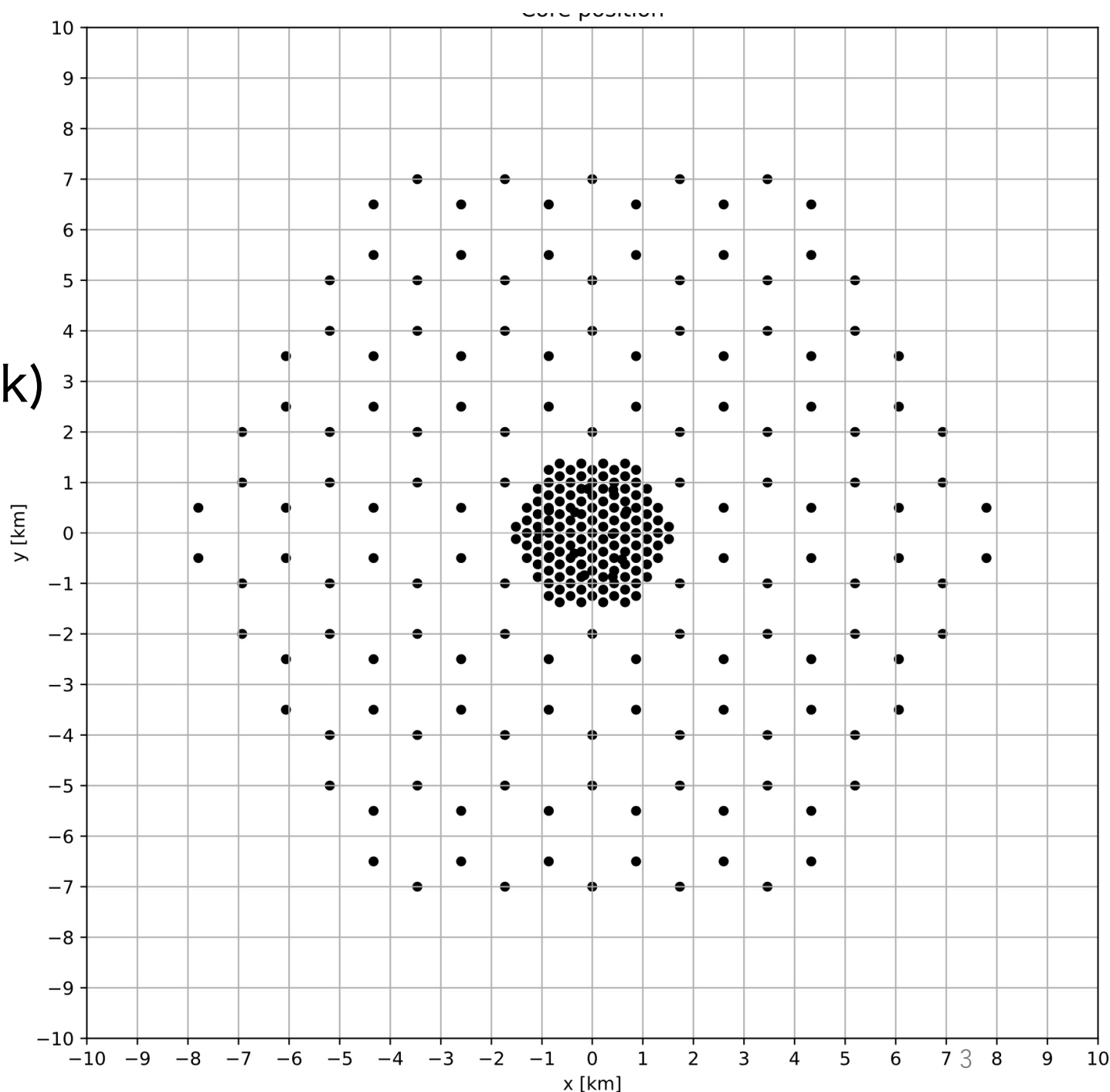
DC2 Simulation

GP300 array configuration

- ✓ Geometrical area: 168 km²
- ✓ 289 radio detector units (DUs)
(12DUs of GP13 for crosscheck)
- ✓ Infill array (250m interval)
- ✓ Outer array (1km interval)

Site details

- ✓ Xiaodushan, Dunhuang
(40.99°N, 93.94°E)
- ✓ 1264 m a.s.l.
- ✓ $B_{\text{geo}} = 56.5 \mu\text{T}$
- ✓ Inclination angle: 61.6°
- ✓ Declination angle 0.13°

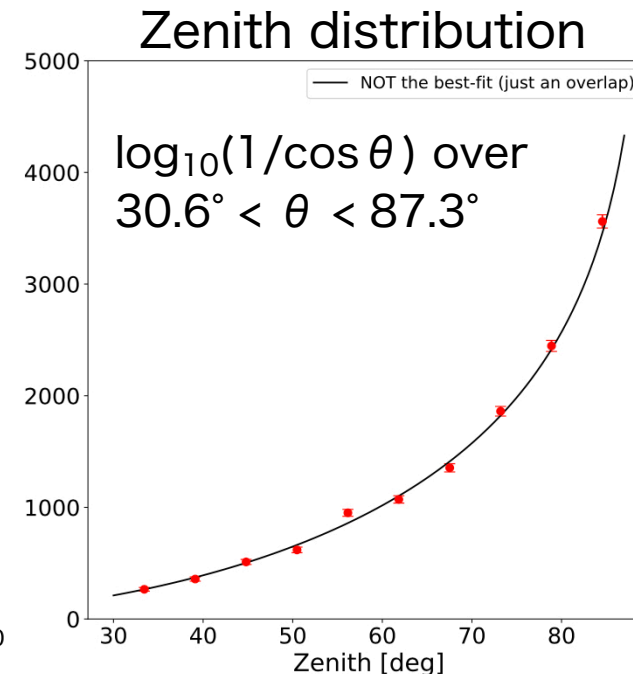
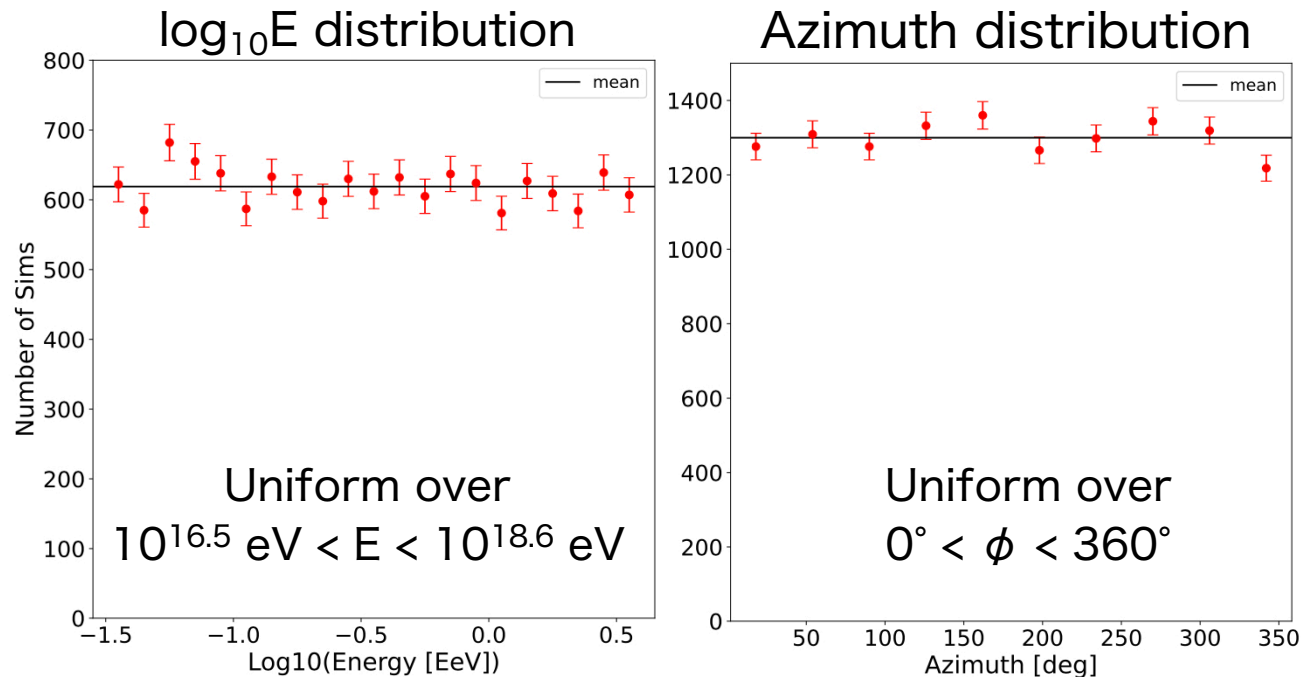


DC2 Simulation

- ✓ Dataset directory: /sps/grand/DC2Training/ZHAireS/.
- ✓ EAS simulation code: ZHAireS 1.0.30a
- ✓ Hadronic interaction model: Sibyll 2.3d
- ✓ Total # of events: 1.3×10^4

For each event,

- ✓ Shower is simulated until its maximal development: X_{\max}
- ✓ Random generation of core locations are repeated until # of DUs inside the Cherenkov cone is ≥ 3
=> We get tested core positions & the final core position
- ✓ Finally, a full simulation is performed (time trace of DUs)



Proton: 6484 events
Iron: 6514 events
(~50:50)

Formula to Calculate Exposure

$$\text{Exposure} = S_{\text{geo}} \Delta\Omega T_{\text{obs}} \frac{\sum_i w_{E_i} w_{\theta_i} \cos \theta_i}{\sum_j w_{E_j} w_{\theta_j} N_{\text{draw},j}}$$

Summation runs over

Numerator: Triggered events

Denominator: All simulation events

S_{geo} : Area assumed in the simulation (= GP300 geometrical area, 168km²)

$\Delta\Omega$: Solid angle of the sky

T_{obs} : Observation time

$N_{\text{draw},j}$: # of tested core positions + 1 for the j-th event

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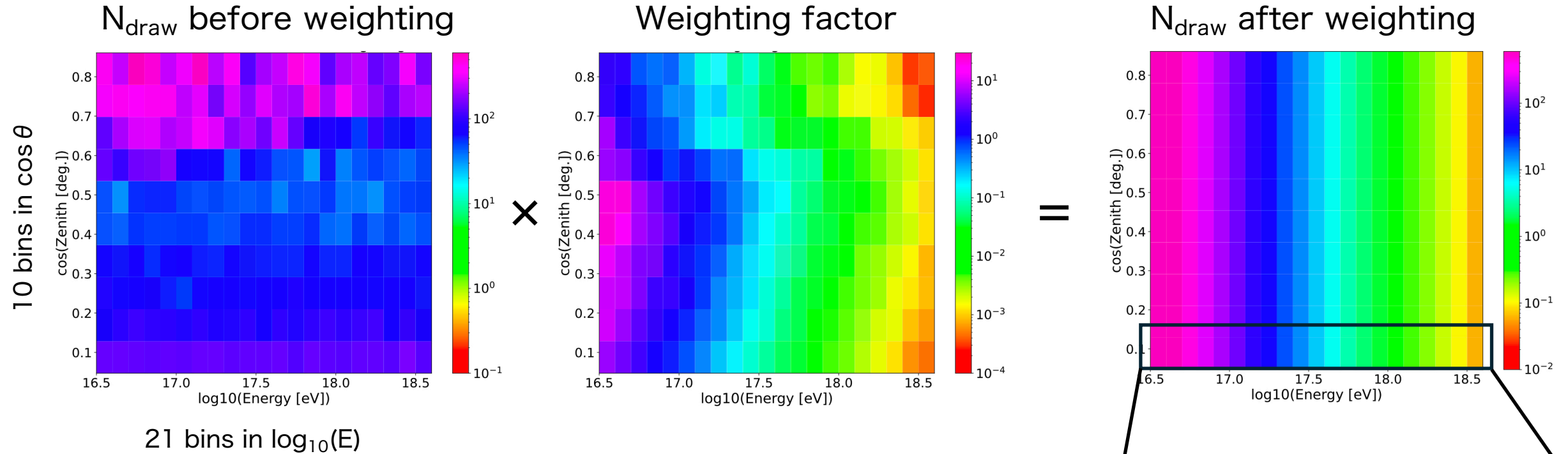
Coming from the j-th event itself

Trigger Conditions

- DC2 ZHAireS L1 simulation (simulated Galactic noise + gps & amplitude jitters)
- Time trace filtered in the 50-200 MHz frequency range
- Peak Electric-field amplitude computed from Hilbert envelope (E_{px}, E_{py} & E_{pz})
- Trigger condition:
Amplitude threshold: $\sqrt{E_{px}^2 + E_{py}^2 + E_{pz}^2} > 110 \mu\text{V/m} (= 5 \sigma)$

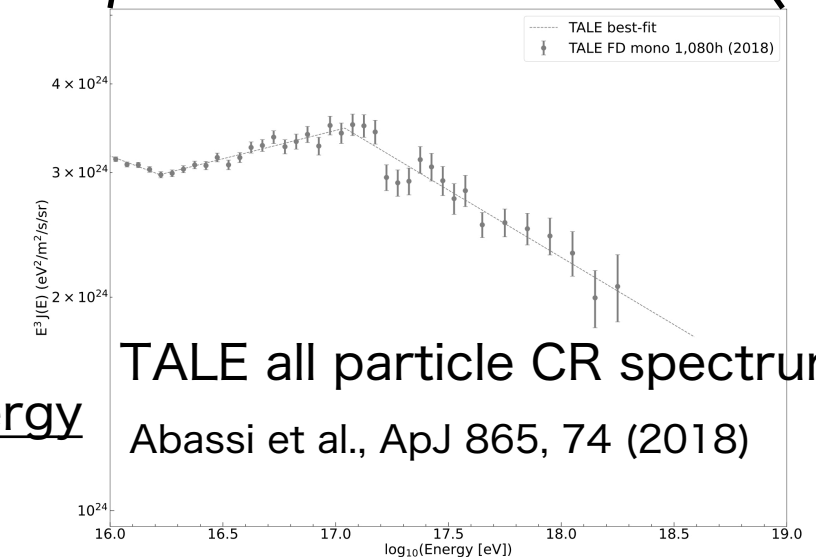
Events left after the cut: 4680 events

Event Weighting



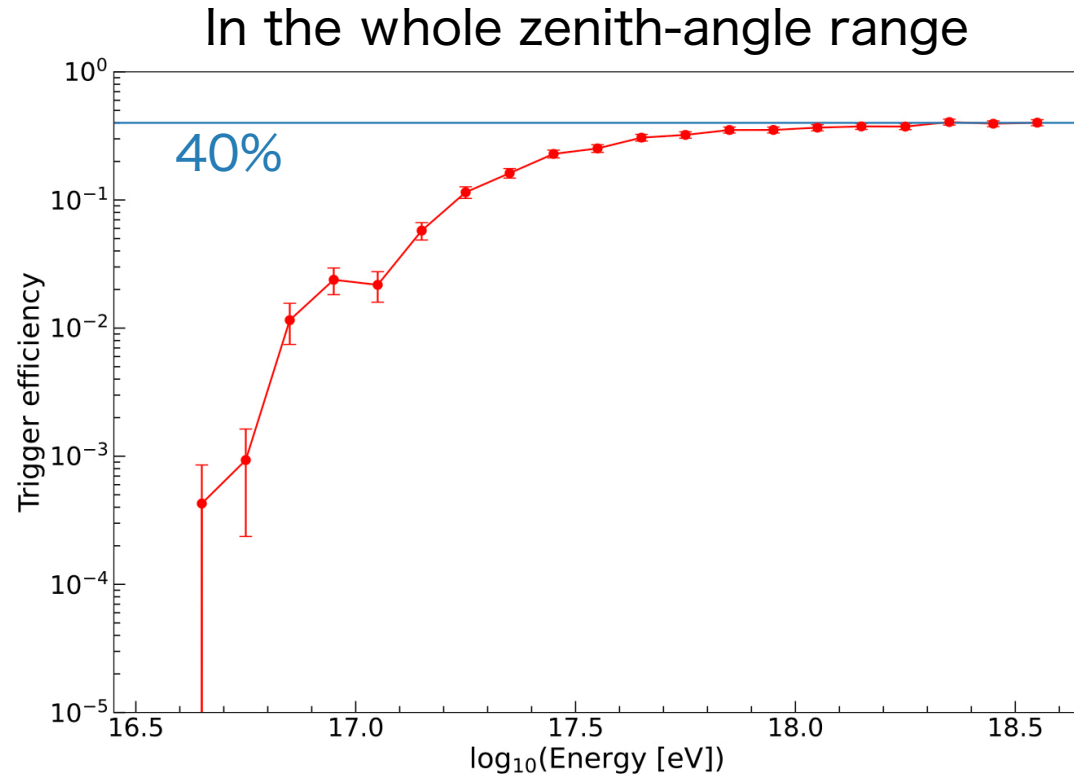
✓ Total # of events ($\sum_{E,\theta} N_{\text{draw}}$) is conserved before/after weighting
(N_{draw} : # of tested core positions + 1)

✓ Weighting realizes a uniform distribution along zenith angle
& best-fit broken PL function to the TALE CR spectrum along energy

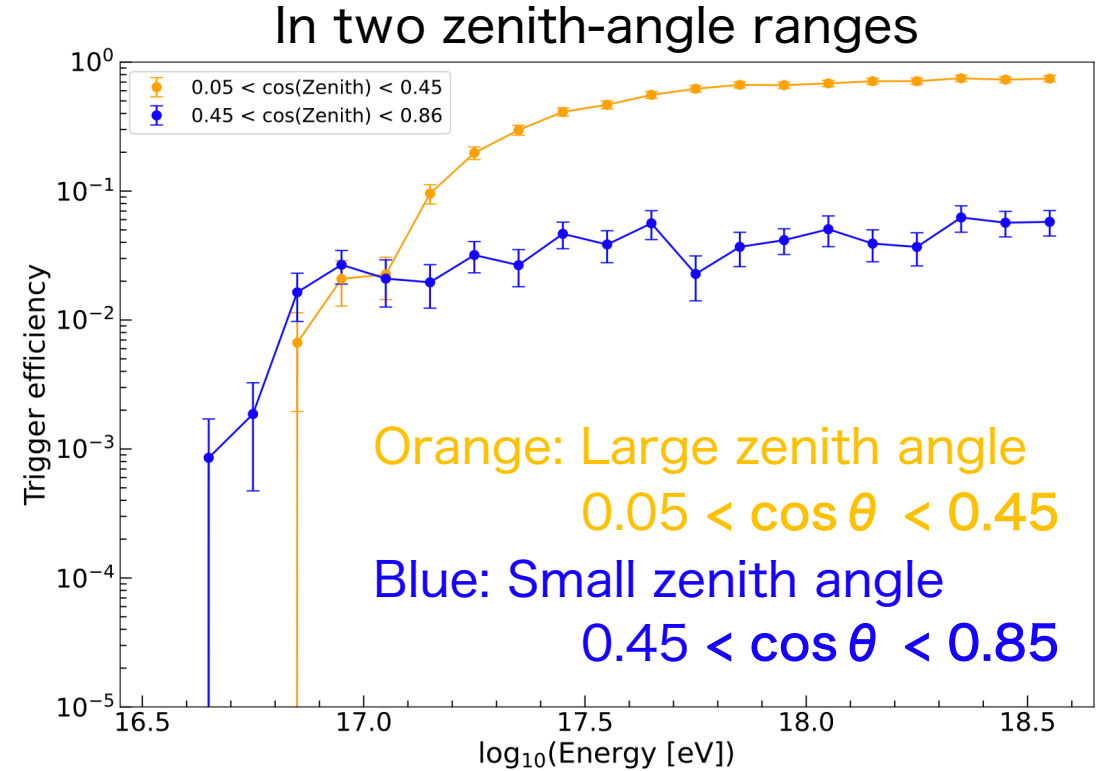


Trigger Efficiency

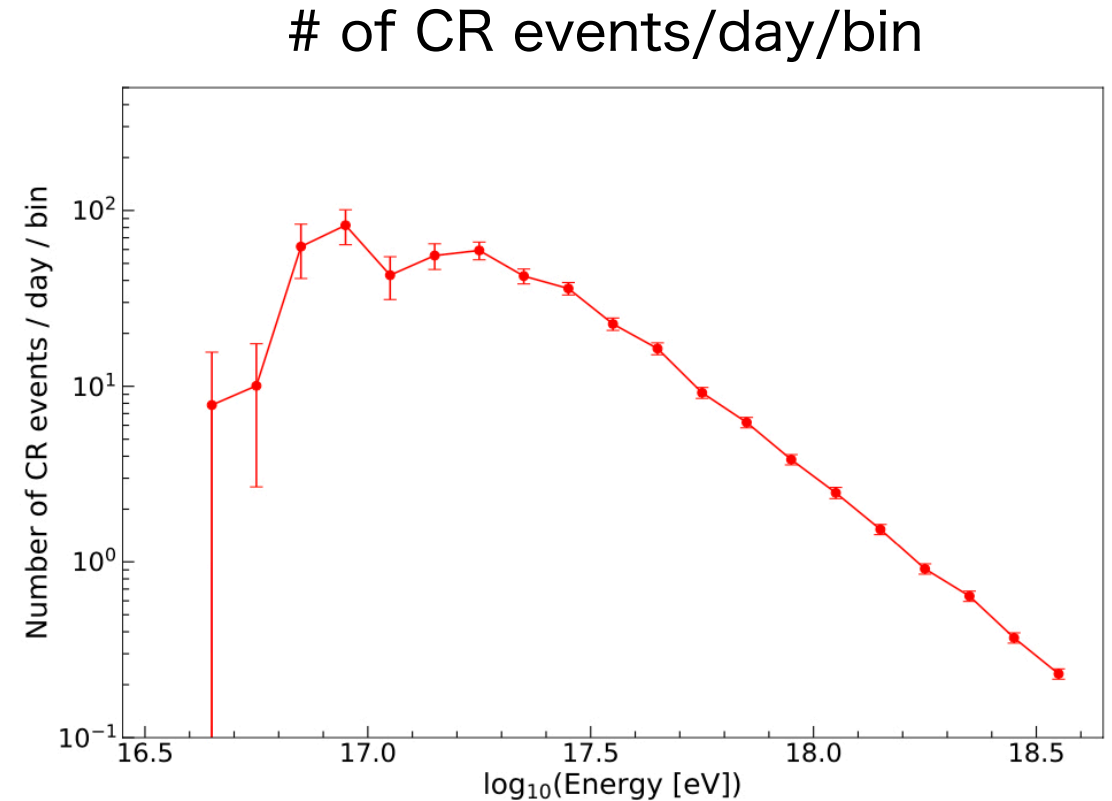
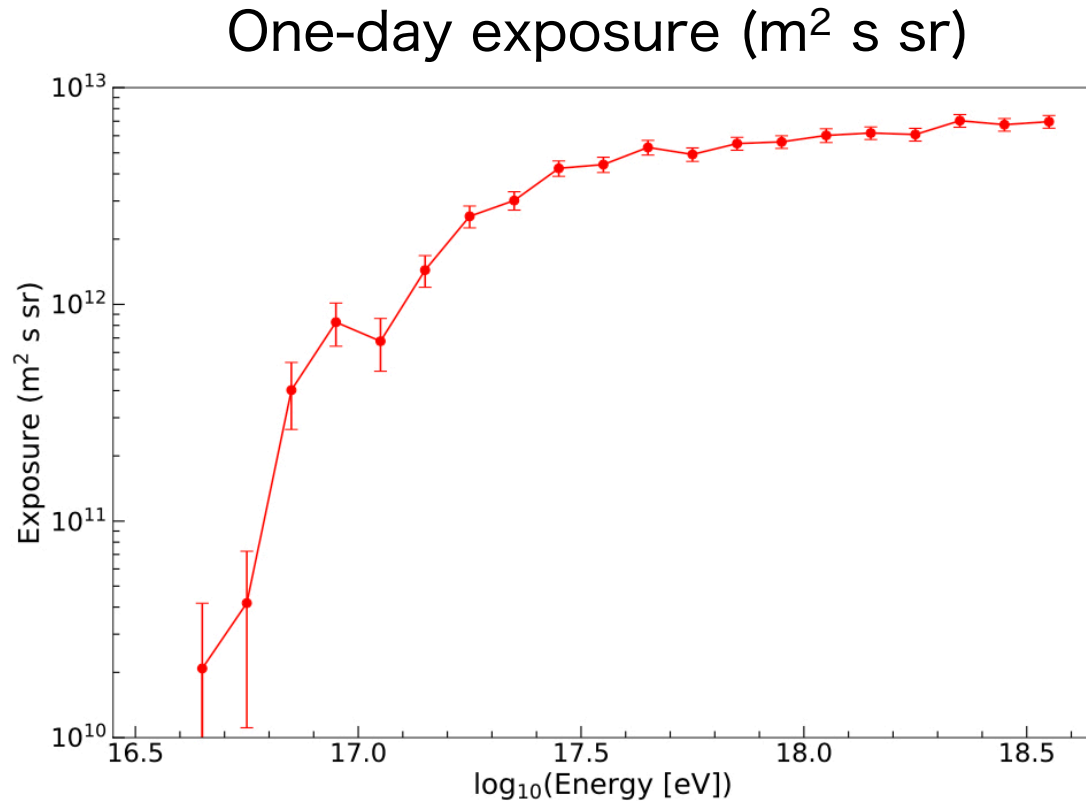
Fraction of triggered events inside the geometrical area of GP300



True energy from simulation
(NOT reconstructed)



One-Day Exposure & # of Events / Day a.f.o. Energy



Error bar: Mainly coming from the stat. uncertainty of # of triggered events

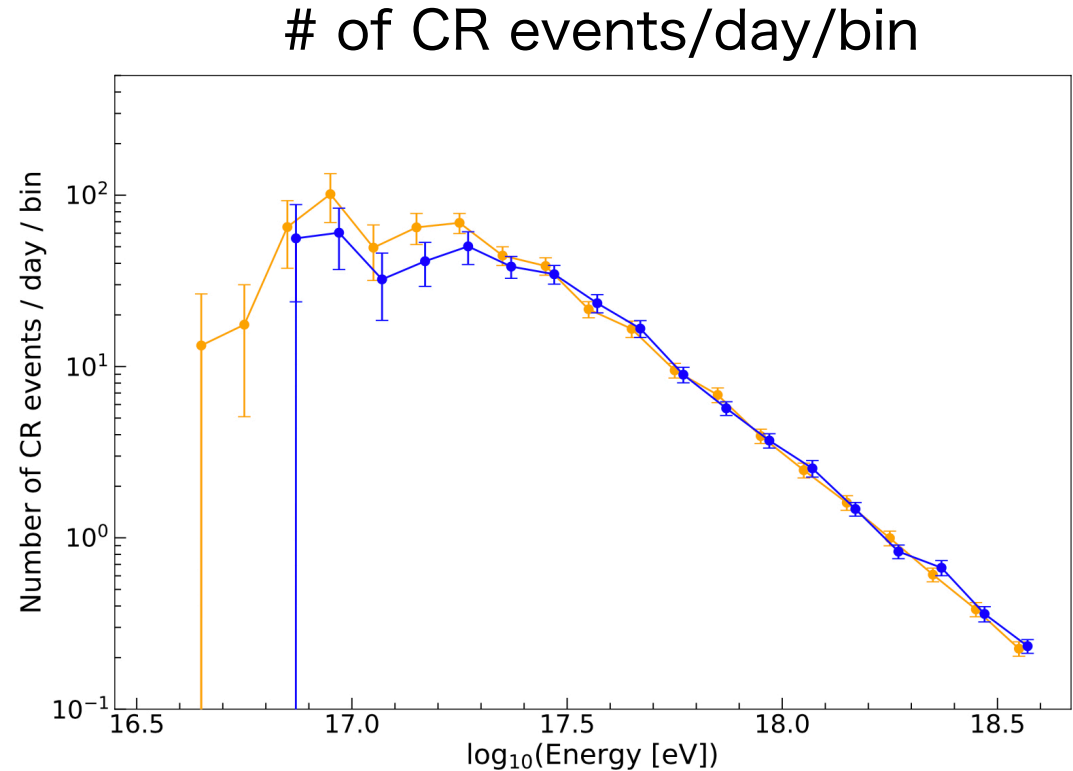
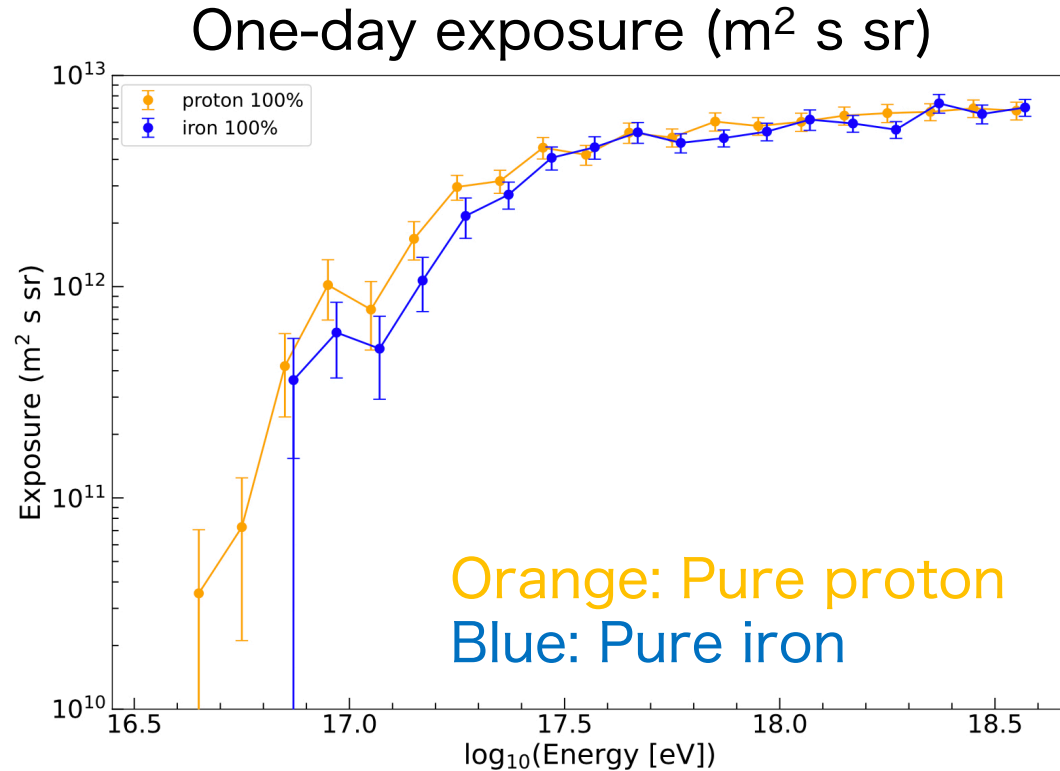
of CR events/day: 463 ± 35 (MC stat.) ± 32 (syst.)* events/day

*Binning effect, different integration method, etc.

The result is crosschecked w/ Clément Prévotat

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For Pure Proton & Pure Iron Cases

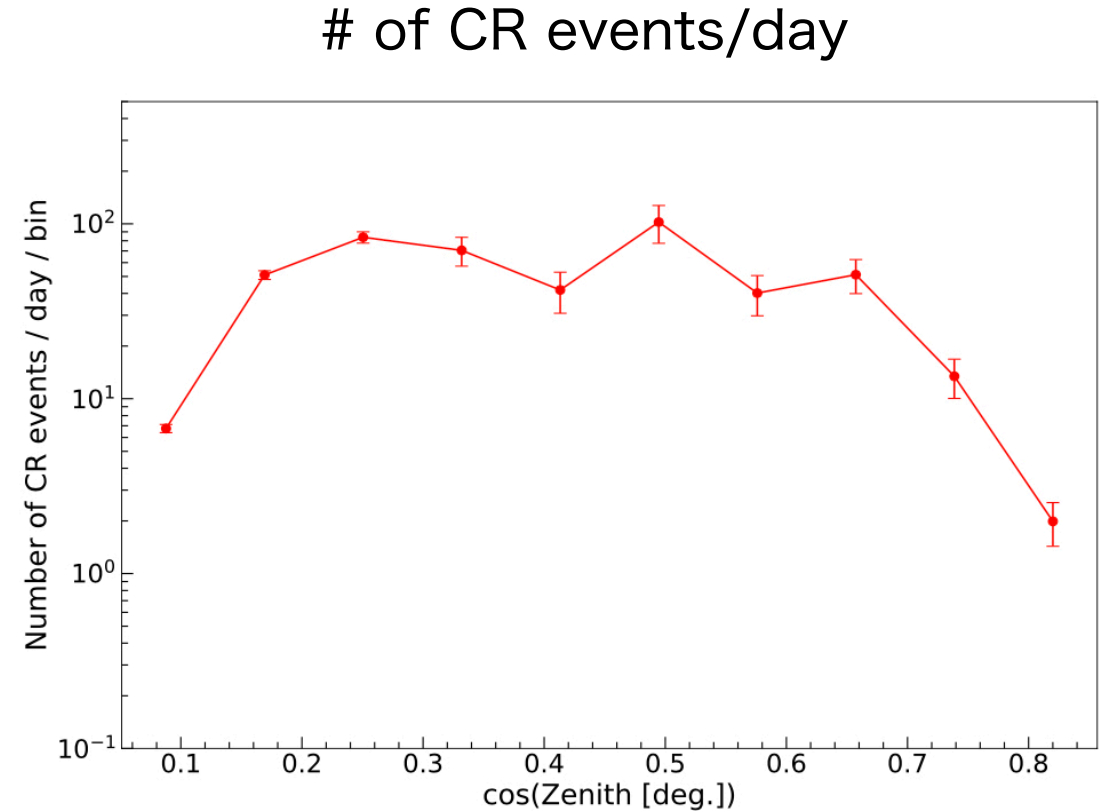
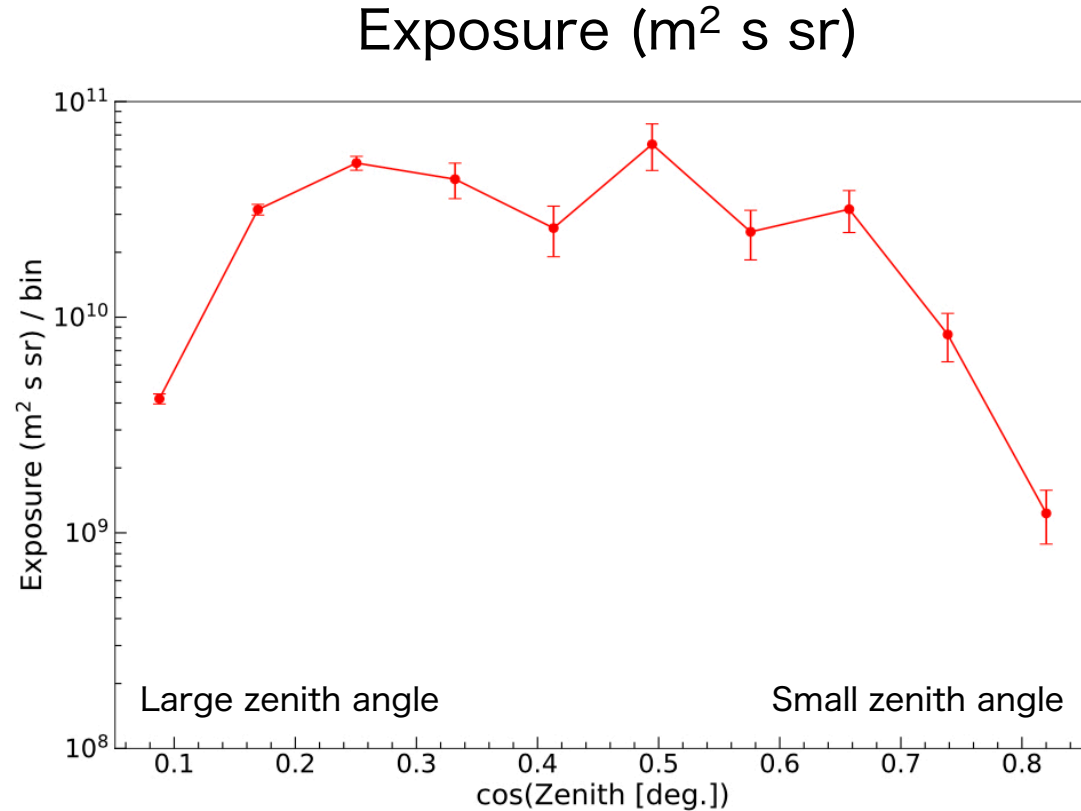


* Horizontal axis of the blue curve (iron) is systematically shifted for easy visibility

Pure proton: 528 ± 53 (MC stat.) events/day

Pure iron: 377 ± 46 (MC stat.) events/day

One-Day Exposure & # of Events / Day a.f.o. $\cos \theta$

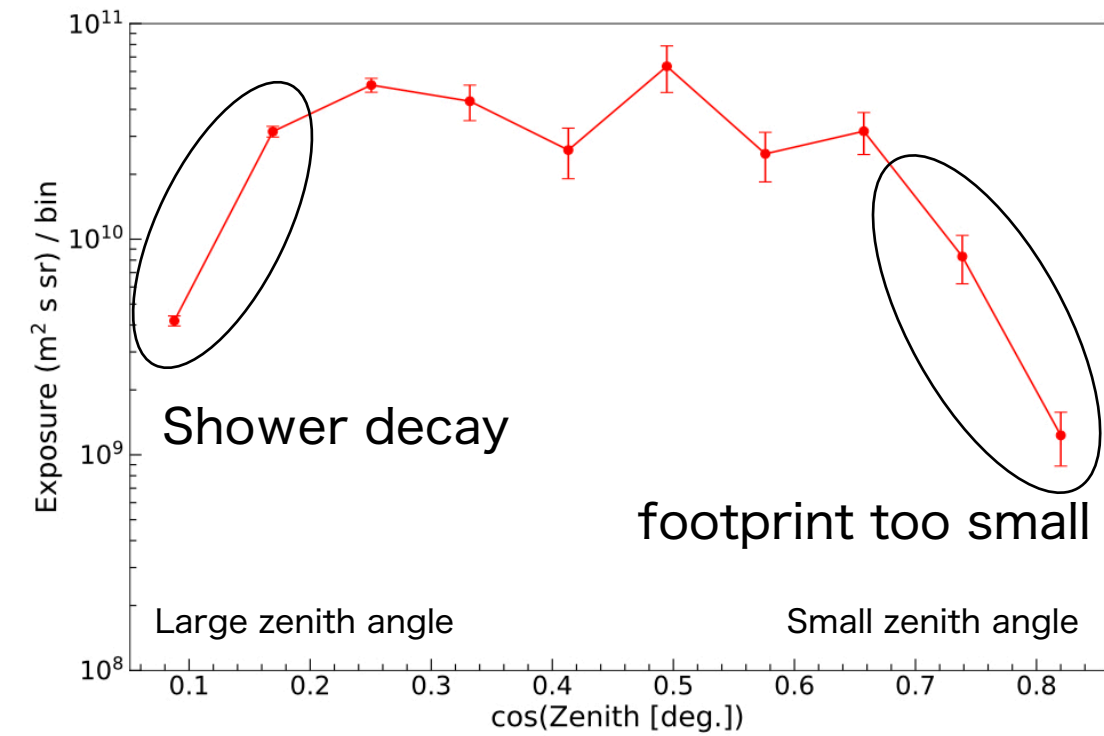


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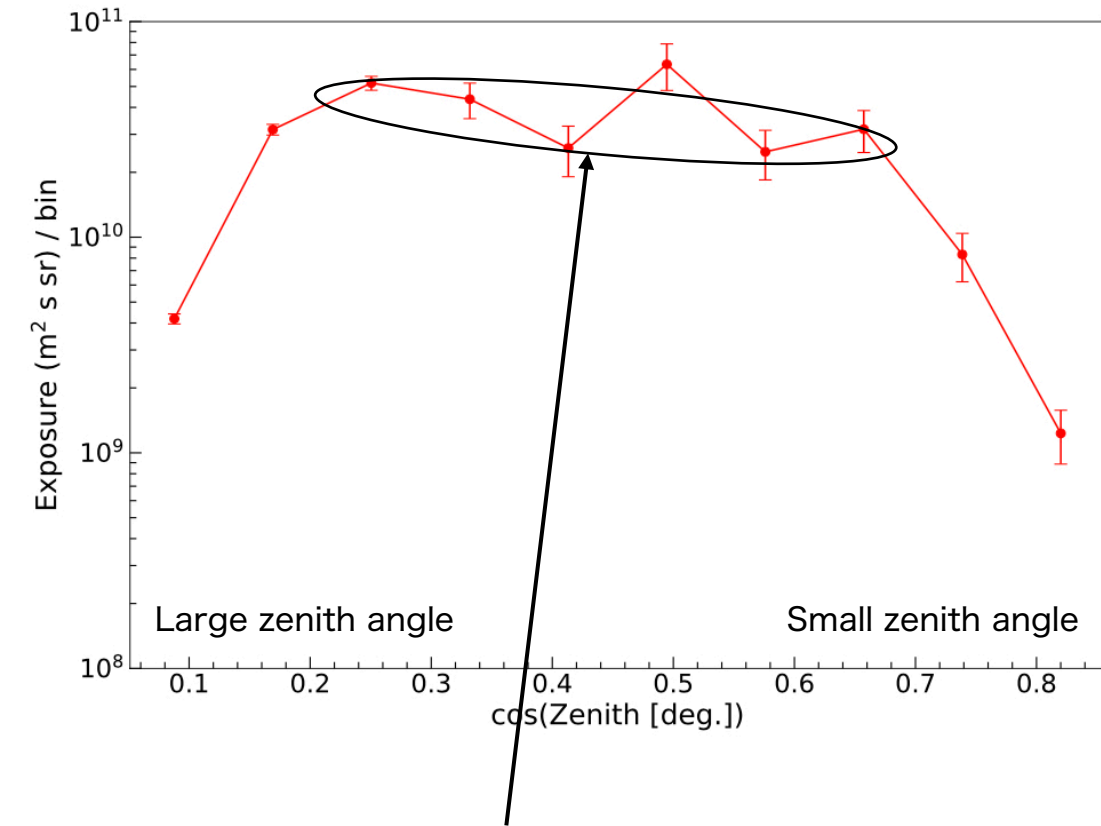
Structures of the Exposure a.f.o. $\cos \theta$

Exposure ($\text{m}^2 \text{ s sr}$)

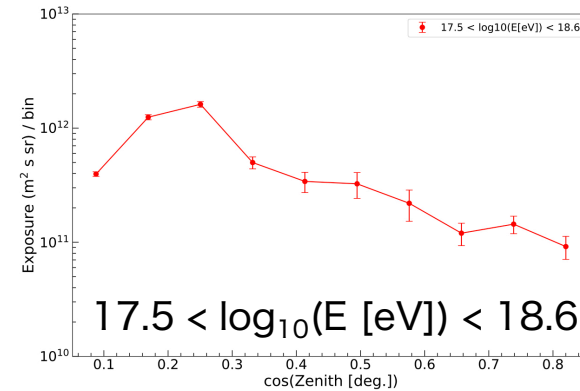
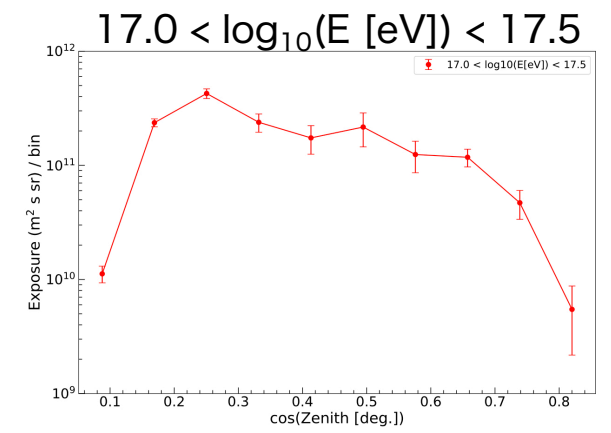
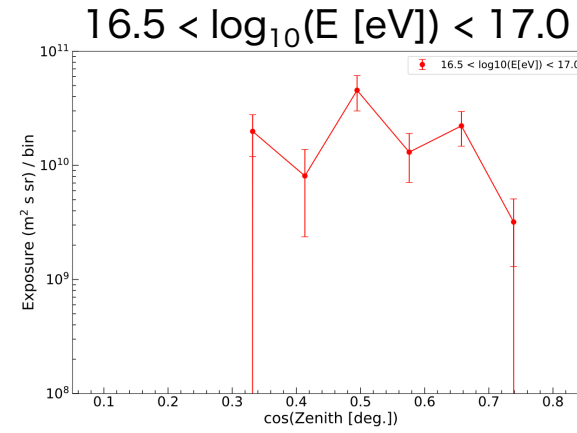


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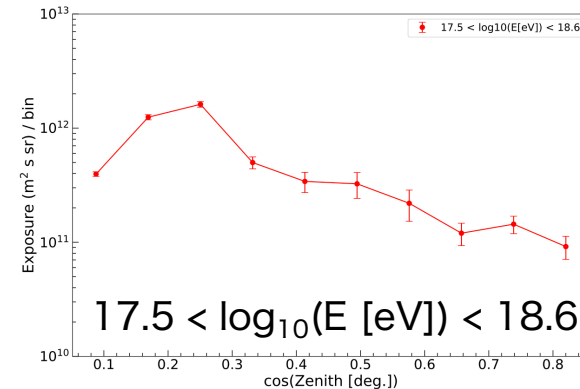
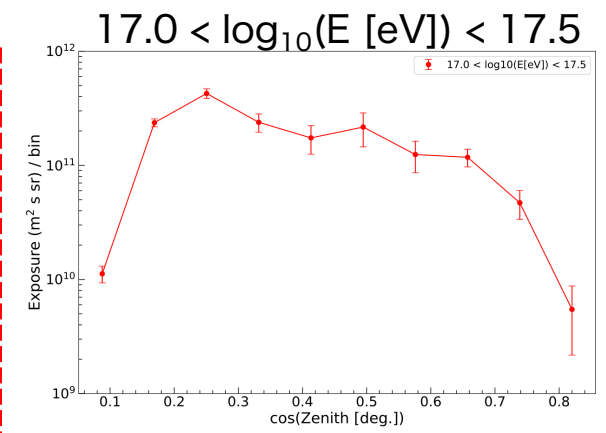
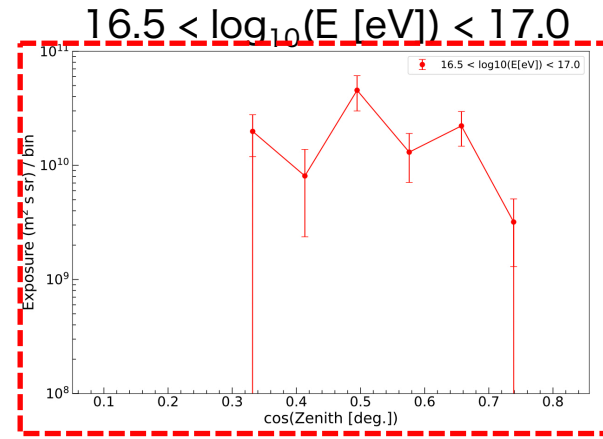
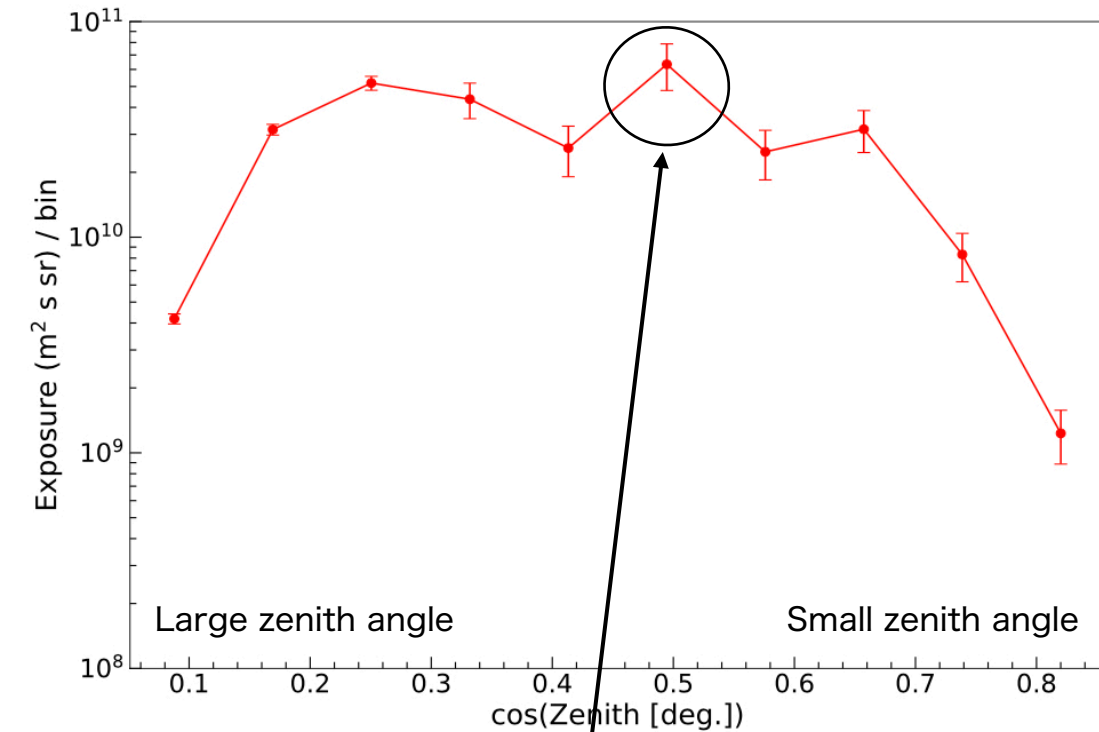


Increase toward the large zenith-angle range
due to the increase of the physical size of the
Cherenkov cone on the ground



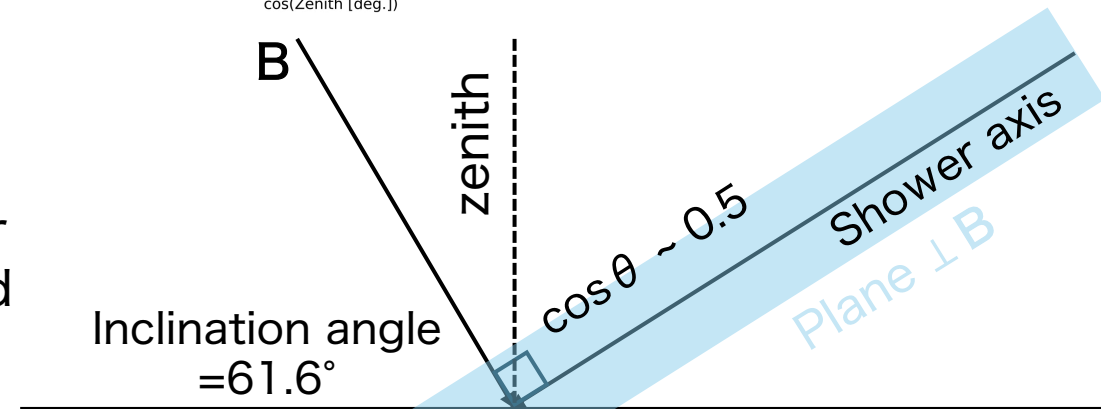
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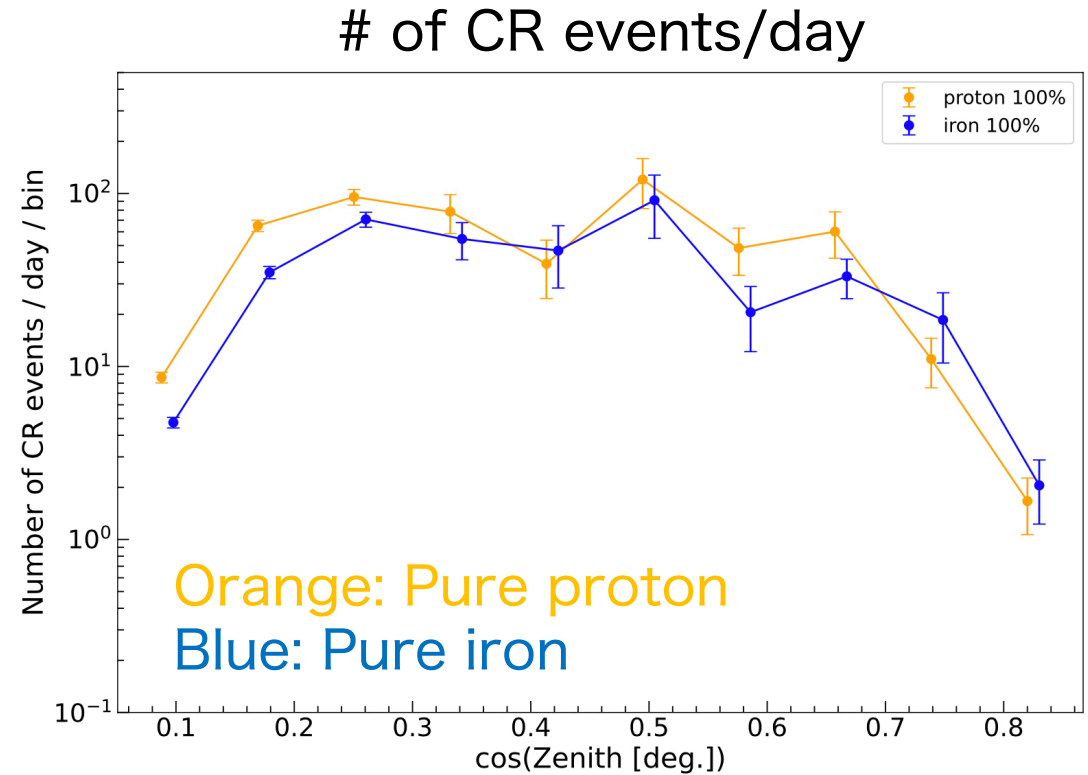
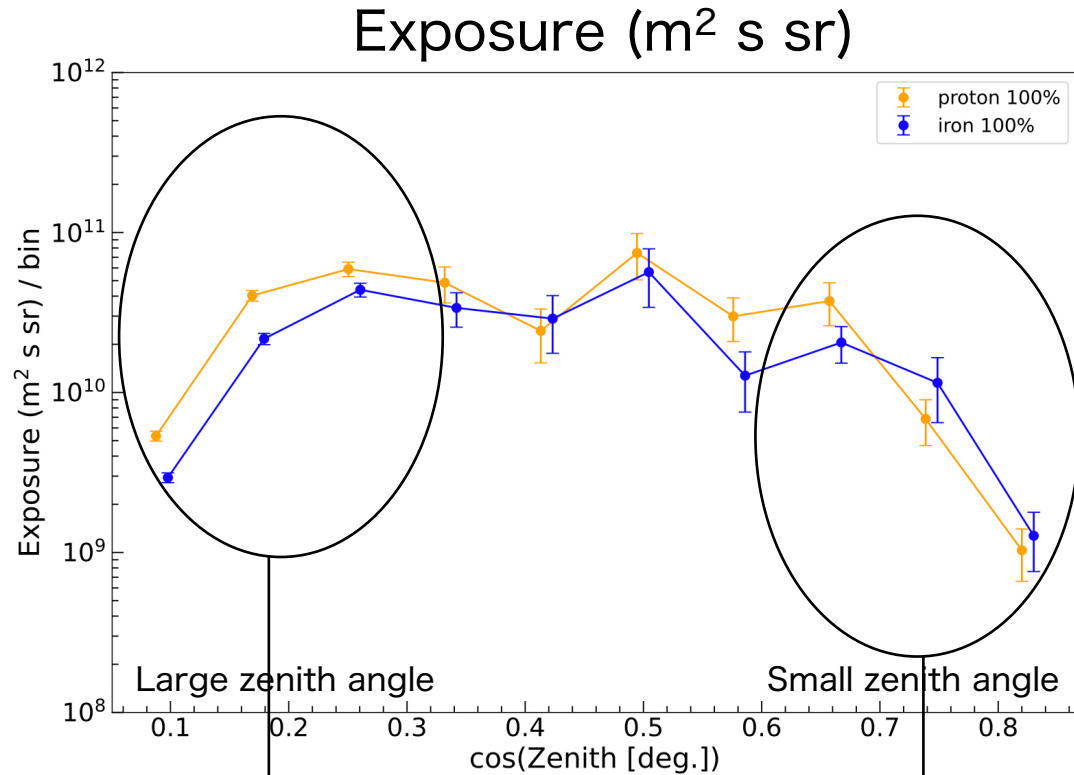
Peaky structure (statistically NOT significant)

For low-energy events, it is crucial to have their shower axes perpendicular to the geomag. field so that they can trigger the array



One-Day Exposure & # of Events / Day a.f.o. $\cos \theta$

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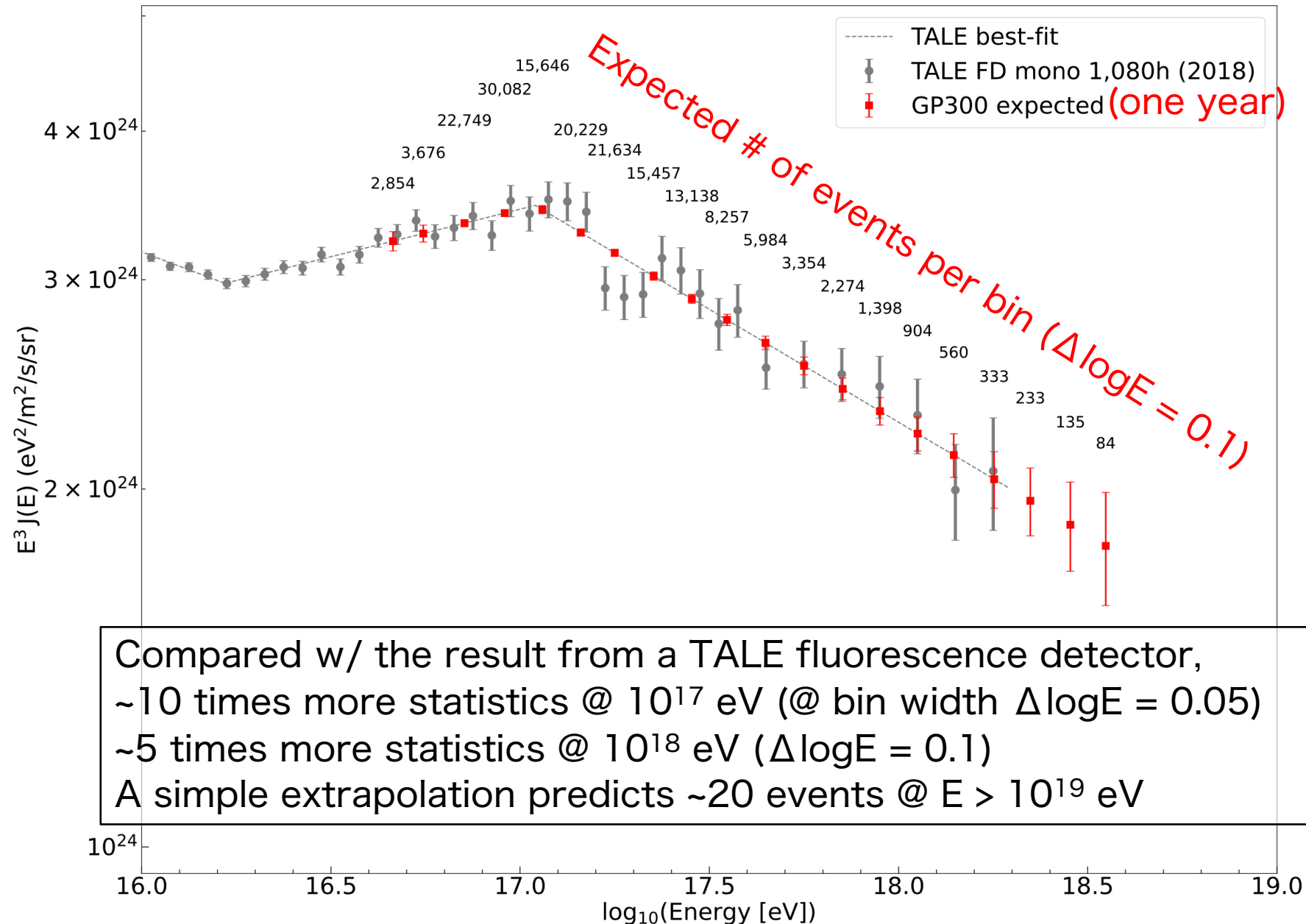


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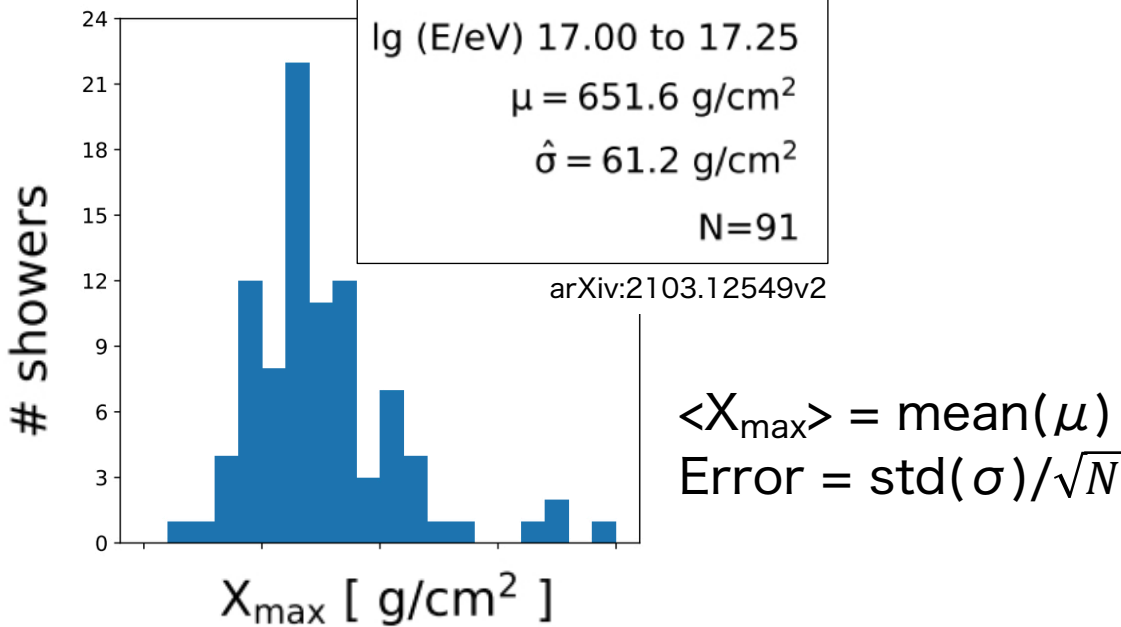
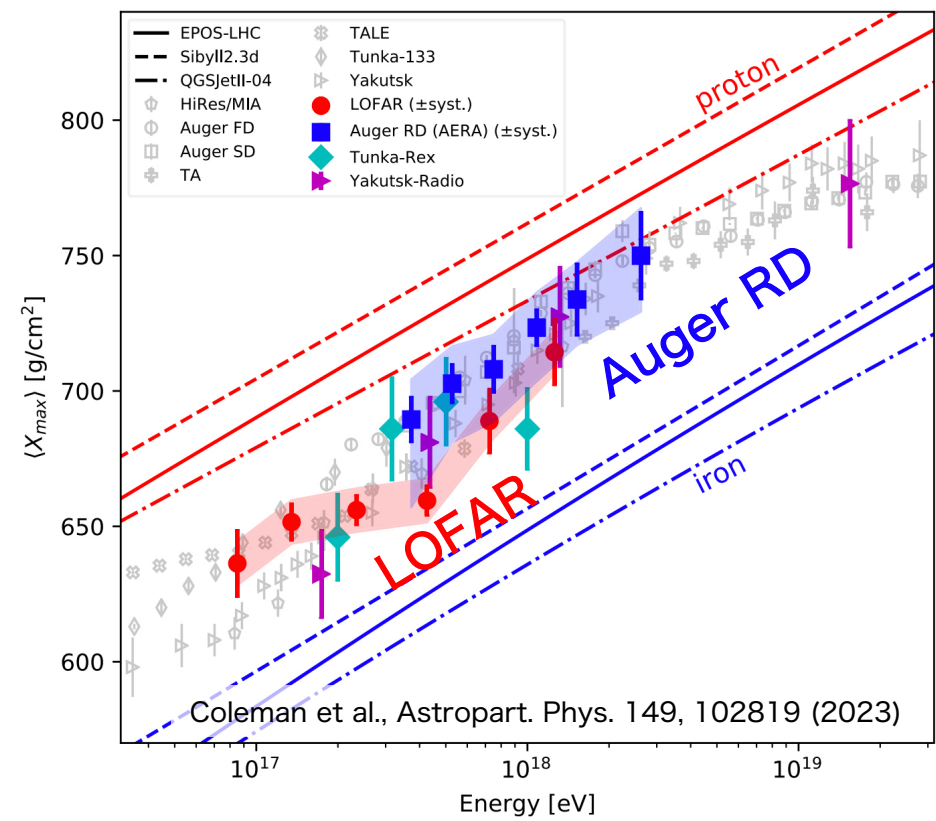
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Prediction for the Future: All-Particle CR Energy Spectrum



Prediction for the Future: X_{\max}



Statistical uncertainty in the X_{\max} measurement in GP300 observation (assuming $\sigma = 60$ g/cm²)

| log ₁₀ (Energy [eV]) | Stat. unc. of $\langle X_{\max} \rangle$ |
|---------------------------------|--|
| 17.00 | 0.5 g/cm ² |
| 17.50 | 0.7 |
| 18.00 | 2.0 |
| 18.50 | 6.5 |

- ~10 times smaller stat. unc. than LOFAR →
- ~ 7 times smaller →
- ~ 5 times smaller →
- ~ 2 times smaller stat. unc. than Auger RD →

Systematic uncertainty will be dominant in the GP300 obs.

Summary

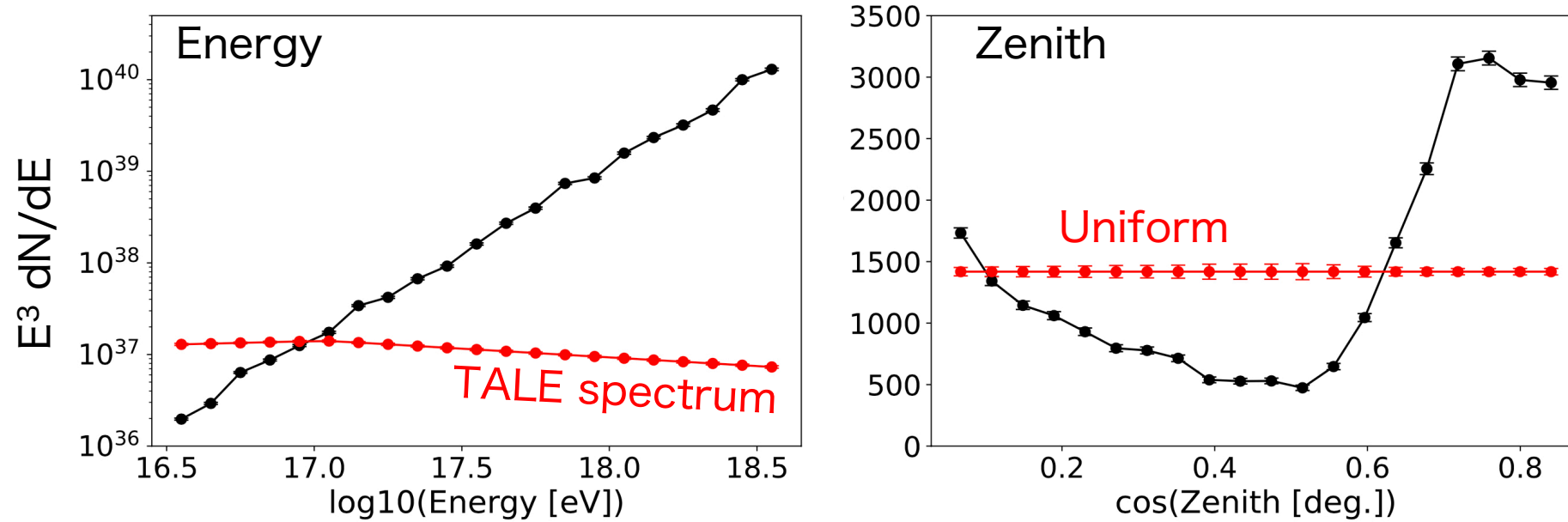
- ✓ Exposure of GP300 is calculated using the DC2 Simulation data
- ✓ GP300 exposure as a function of energy (one-day obs.):
 - $\sim 10^{12} \text{ m}^2 \text{ sr s @ } 10^{17} \text{ eV}$
 - $\sim 5 \times 10^{12} \text{ m}^2 \text{ sr s @ } 10^{18} \text{ eV}$
- ✓ # of triggered CR events / day ~ 460 events
- ✓ Morphology of the exposure as a function of $\cos \theta$ is analyzed
- ✓ The above results are crosschecked with Clément
- ✓ All particle CR spectrum will be measured @ $10^{16.6} \text{ eV} < E < 10^{19} \text{ eV}$ in one-year obs.
- ✓ Stat. unc. in the X_{max} measurement will be much smaller than the previous radio-array experiments (syst. unc. dominant)

Backup Slides

Weighting Scheme

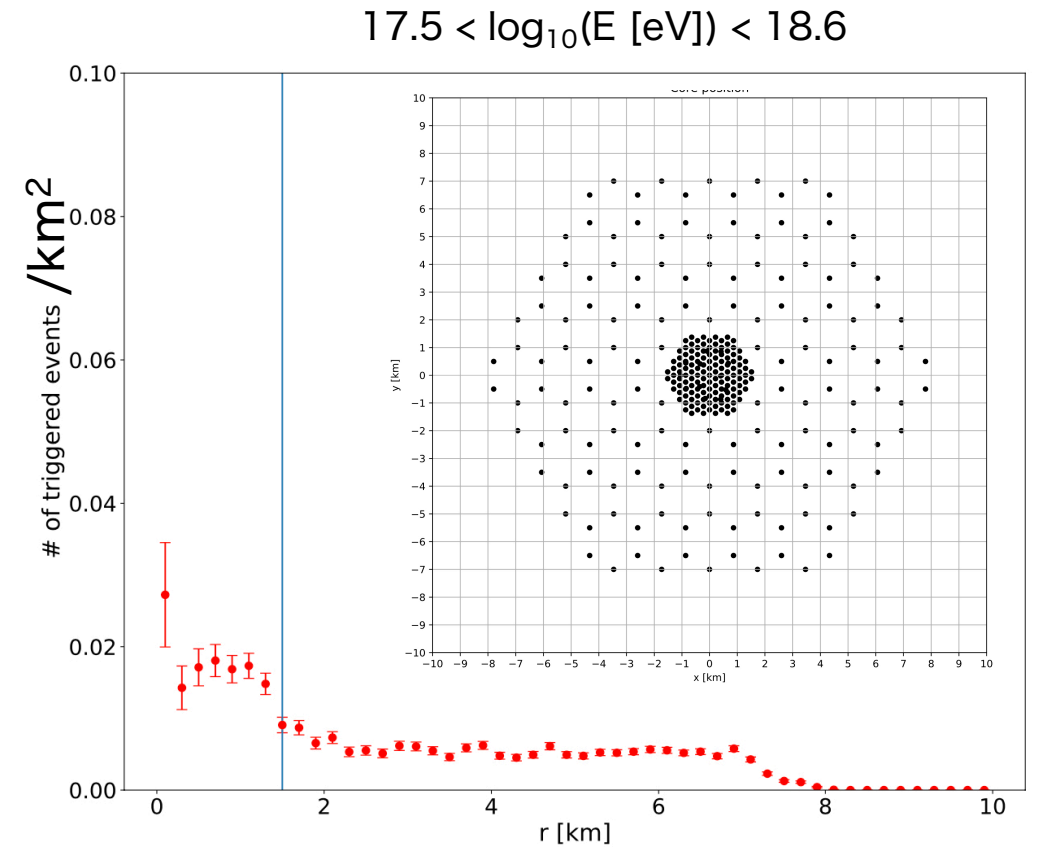
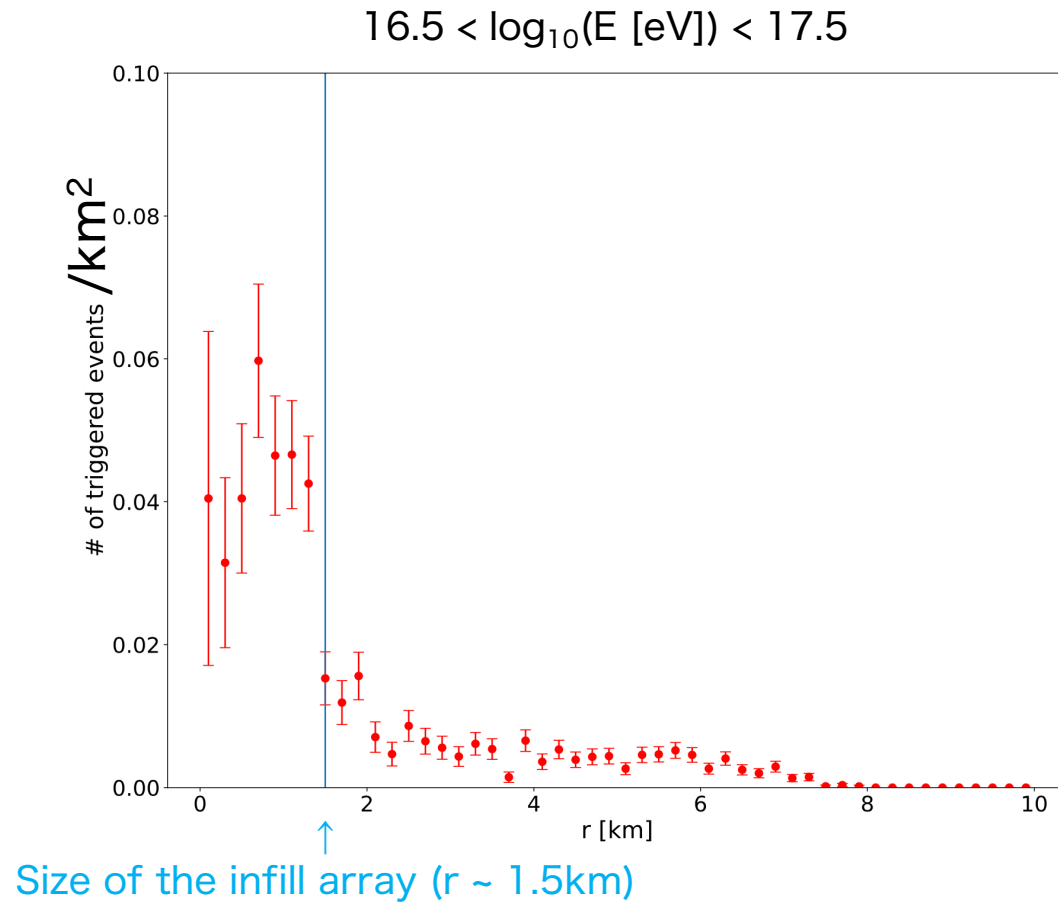
Black: Distribution of Ndraw before weighting

Red: After weighting



of events are conserved before & after weighting

Radial Distribution of Triggered Events



Events are NOT weighted.

The sum of the bin values is normalized to 1 in both plots