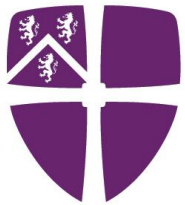


MODELING HIGH ENERGY EMISSIONS FROM BLAZARS



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Founded in 1832 is the 3rd oldest university in England

Norman Architecture

Castle (built in 1072)

Cathedral (built in 1080)

Durham's Cathedral/Castle was created a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1986.

Number Students: 18,385*

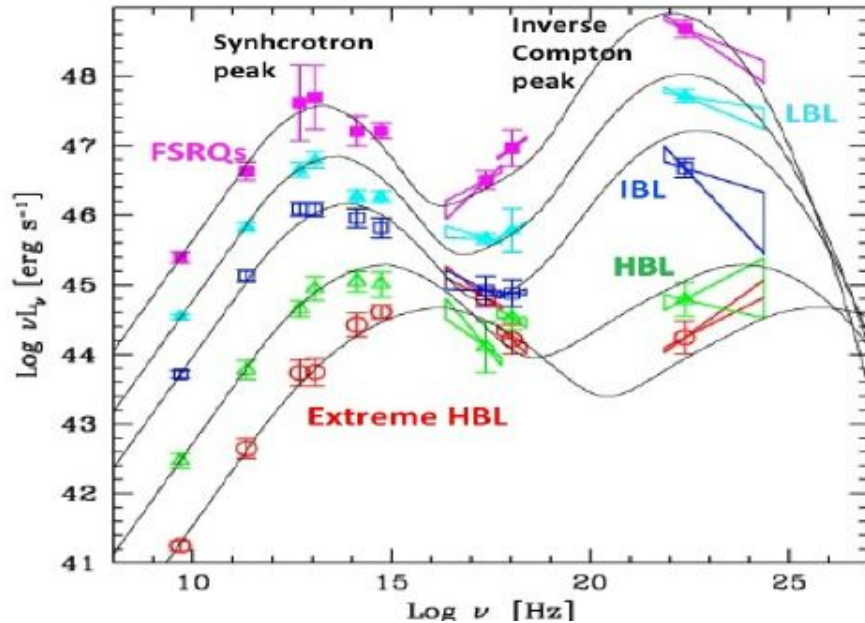
Postgraduates: 4,720*

*2017

Blazars

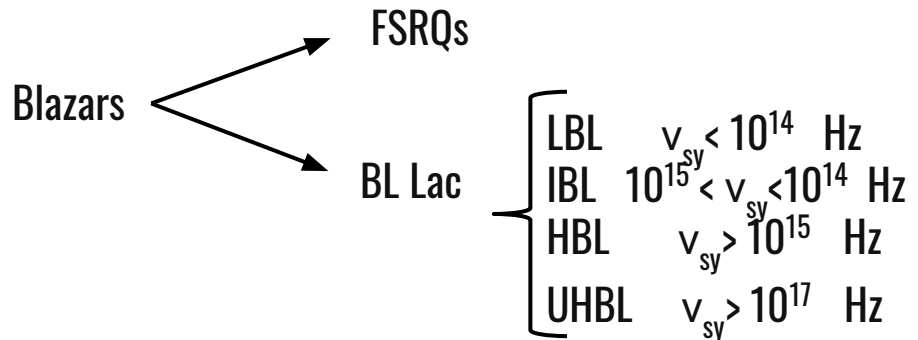
Blazars: AGN sub-class, substantial variability spectrum, relativistic jet in line of sight

Spectral Energy Distribution - SED: Double peak structure in the $\nu - \nu F_\nu$ plane. Non thermal spectra

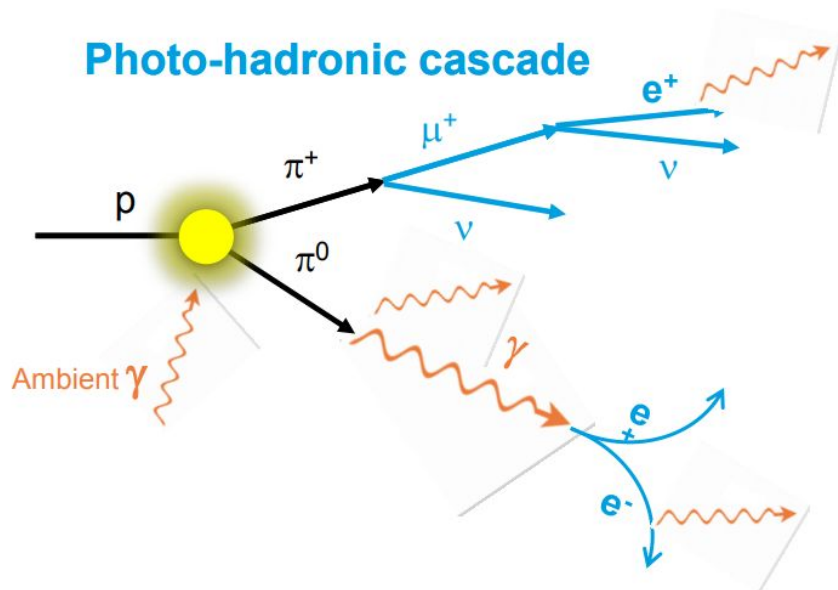


Blazar Sequence [Fossati et al. 1998]

1st Peak - Synchrotron Radiation
 2nd Peak - Synchrotron Self-Compton (SSC)
 Hadronic components ?



Hadronic scenario: neutrinos + gamma-rays



electrons and protons accelerated to HE:

$$E_p \gtrsim 10^{17} \text{ eV}$$

$$p\gamma \rightarrow p\pi^0 + n\pi^+$$

$$\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_\mu \rightarrow e^+ + \nu_e + \nu_\mu + \bar{\nu}_\mu$$

$$\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$$

proton-synchrotron

photo-pion production

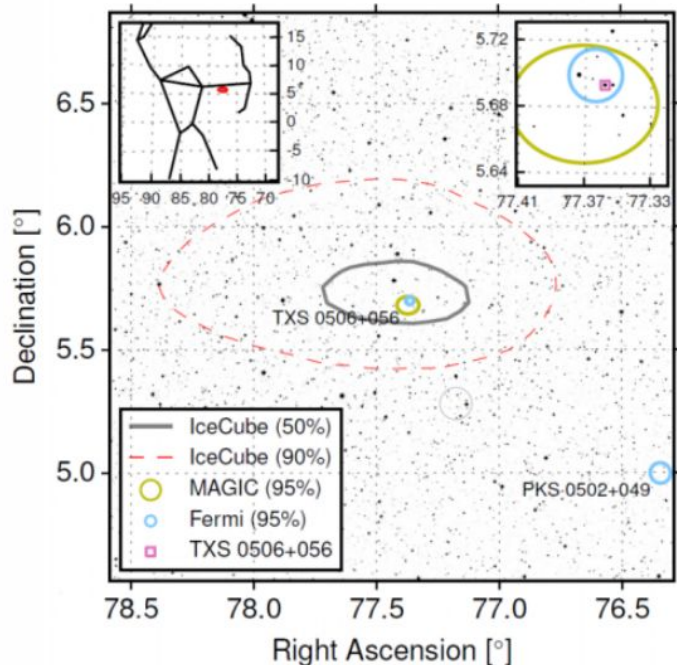
synchrotron from sub-products

synchrotron pair cascades

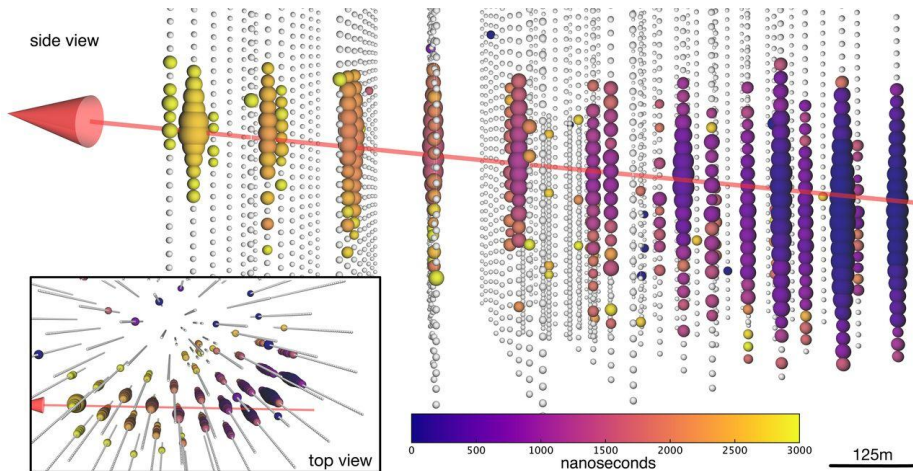
Bethe-Heitler pair production

$$p + \gamma \rightarrow p + e^+ + e^-$$

TXS 0506+056



Science 361, eaat1378 (2018)



In 2017 the IceCube collaboration detected a muon neutrino event with a reconstructed energy of 290 TeV during a flaring period of the source TXS-0506+056 at a significance level of 3σ .

Build it and they will come...

13 July 2018

Dissecting the region around IceCube-170922A: the blazar TXS 0506+056 as the first cosmic neutrino source.

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Lepto-hadronic γ -ray and neutrino emission from the jet of TXS 0506+056.

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A hadronuclear interpretation of a high-energy neutrino event coincident with a blazar flare.

Ruo-yu Liu, Kai Wang, Rui Xue, Andrew M. Taylor, Xiang-yu Wang, Zhuo Li, Huirong Yan

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Models for the historical flare of TXS 0506+056.

Xavier Rodrigues, Shan Gao, Anatoli Fedynitch, Andrea Palladino, Walter Winter

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TXS 0506+056, the first cosmic neutrino source, is not a BL Lac.

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Gammas and neutrinos from TXS 0506+056.

S. Inoue, C. Boisson, G. Emery, M. Cerruti, J.-p. Lenain, A. Zech

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On the Neutrino Flares from the Direction of TXS 0506+056.

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High-Energy Neutrinos from Blazar Flares and Implications of TXS 0506+056. (arXiv:1903.02006v1 [astro-ph.HE])

Foteini Oikonomou, Kohta Murase, & 1 more



Photo-hadronic contributions

We assume the standard interpretation of the leptonic model.

Standard Leptonic = electron-synchrotron + SSC

One zone model:

Spherical region (R)

Propagating along the jet with a velocity $v = \beta_{\Gamma}c$

Bulk Lorentz factor (Γ)

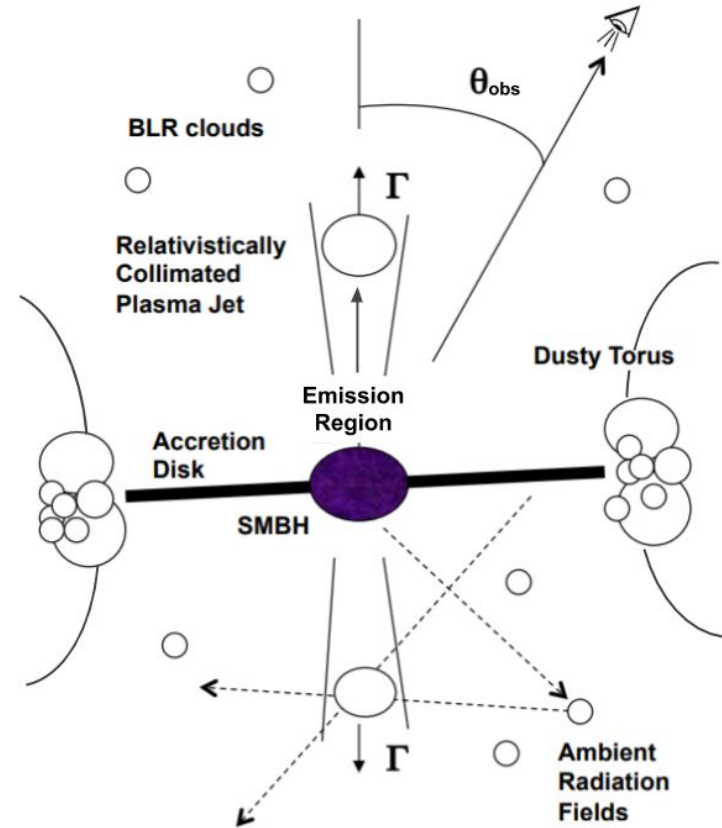
Doppler boosted (D)

Magnetic field (B)

$$D = (\Gamma[1 - \beta_{\Gamma}\cos\theta_{obs}])^{-1}$$

$$t_{obs}^{var} = t'_{var}(1+z)/D$$

$$R \leq Dct_{var}/(1+z)$$



The accelerated high energy protons will interact with the Synchrotron Self Compton (SSC) photons to produce the Δ -resonance

$$p + \gamma \rightarrow \Delta^+ \rightarrow \begin{cases} p \pi^0 \rightarrow p \gamma \gamma, \\ n \pi^+ \rightarrow n e^+ \nu_e \nu_\mu \bar{\nu}_\mu \end{cases}$$

In the observer's reference frame, the TeV photon energy E_γ , the target SSC photon energy ϵ_γ , and the proton energy E_p satisfy the approximations:

$$E_\gamma \epsilon_\gamma \simeq 0.032 \frac{\mathcal{D}^2}{(1+z)^2} \text{ GeV}^2.$$

And the intrinsic flux can be given as:

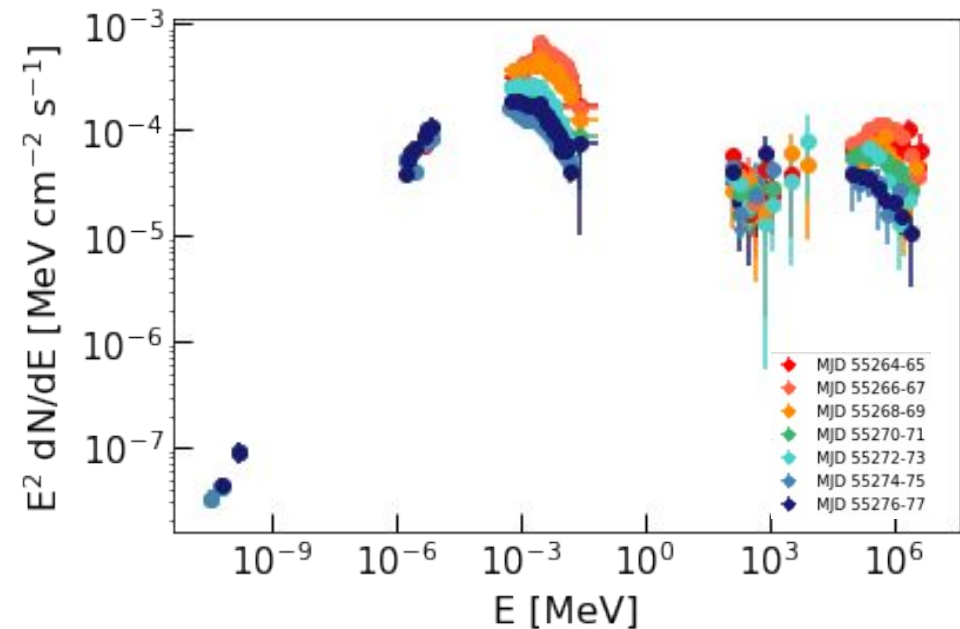
$$F_{int}(E_\gamma) = A_\gamma \Phi(\epsilon_\gamma) \left(\frac{E_\gamma}{TeV} \right)^{-\alpha+3}$$

Where A_γ is a dimensionless normalization constant, α is a power index and $\Phi(\epsilon_\gamma)$ is the corresponding flux from the seed photon.

Taking into account the Extragalactic Background Light (EBL) attenuation, the observed VHE flux F_γ can be expressed in terms of the intrinsic flux:

$$F_\gamma(E_\gamma) = F_{int}(E_\gamma) e^{-\tau_{\gamma\gamma}(E_\gamma, z)}.$$

Markarian 421 - 2010 Flaring Activity



Mrk 421 MWL data MJD 55264-55277

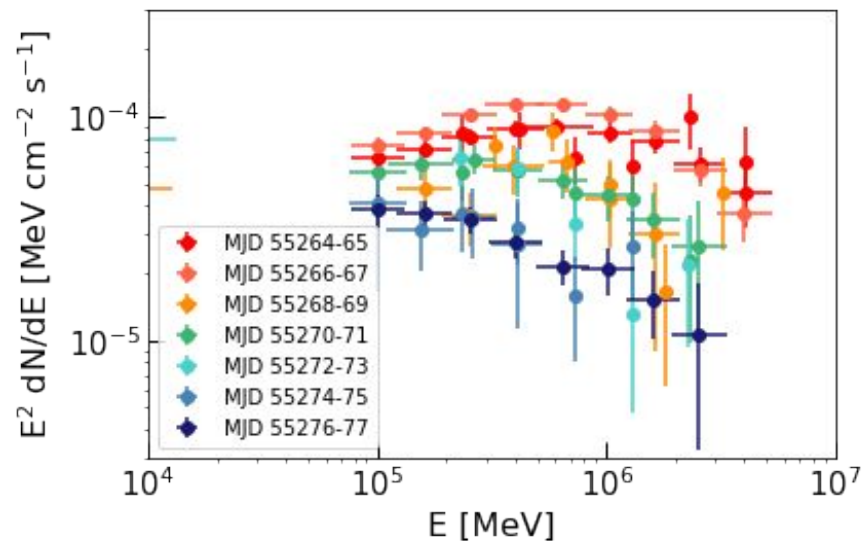
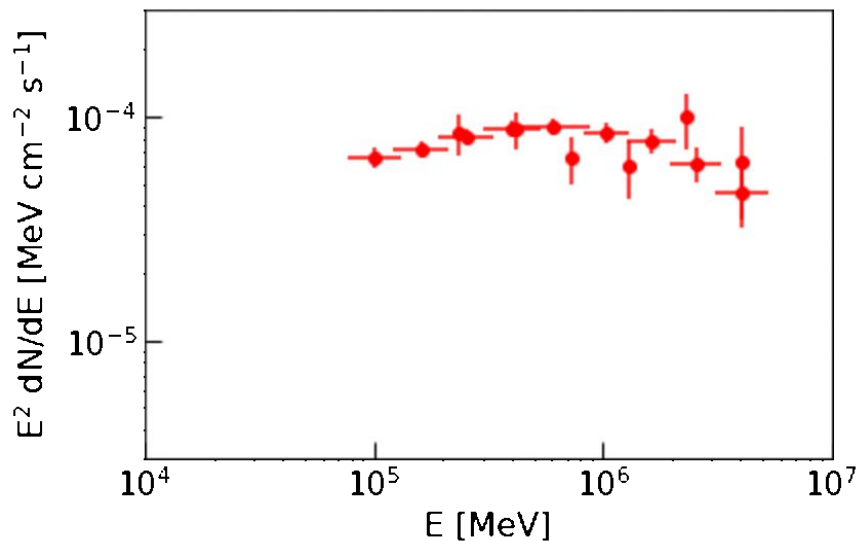
Aleksic et al. 2015

Mrk 421 (HBL, RA=66.11, Dec=38.20, z=0.031)
TeV gamma-ray source

showed flaring activity during a 13 day period in
2010 from March 10-22 (MJD 55264-55277).

At the time a multi-instrument campaign was
performed, MWL data from: Fermi, MAGIC,
VERITAS, Whipple.

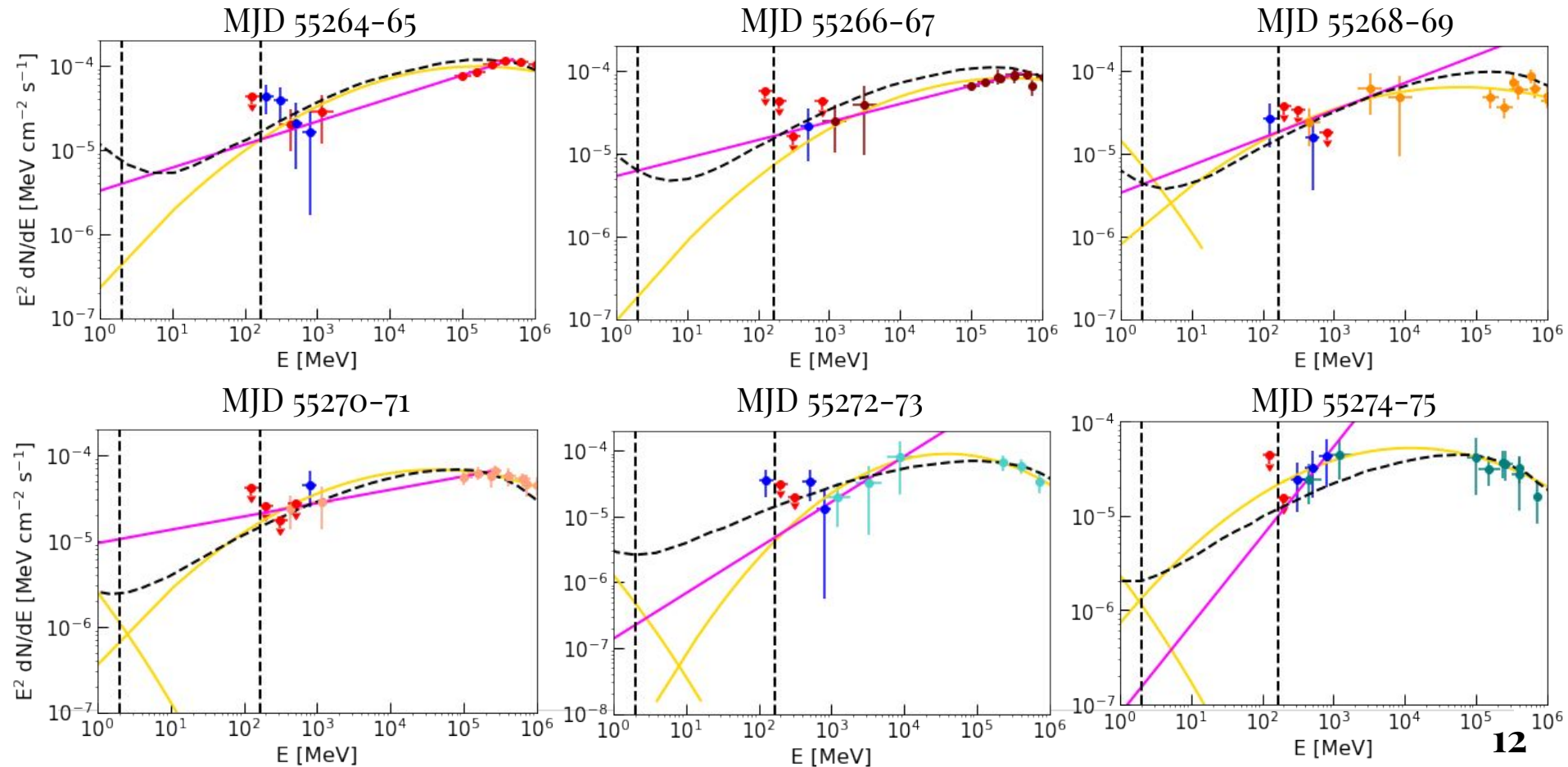
gamma-ray flaring data



HE gamma-ray data during the 13 days flaring period of Mrk421 in March 2010 (MJD 55264-55277)

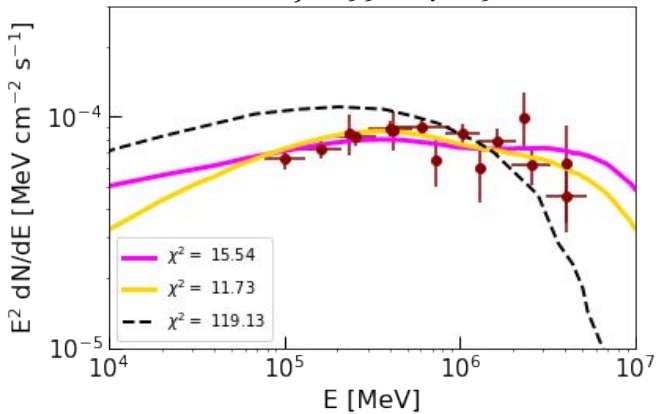
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Fit to MeV range using Fermi data

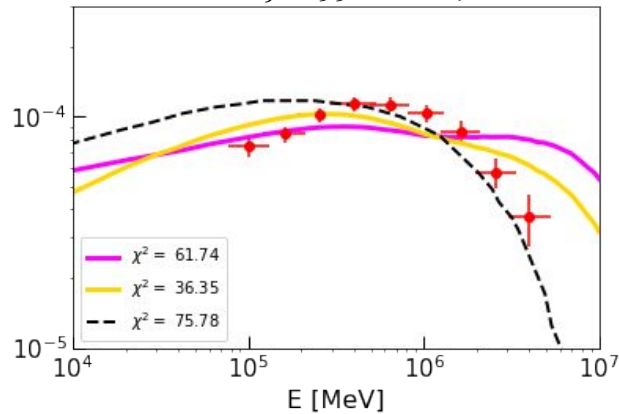


Hadronic component

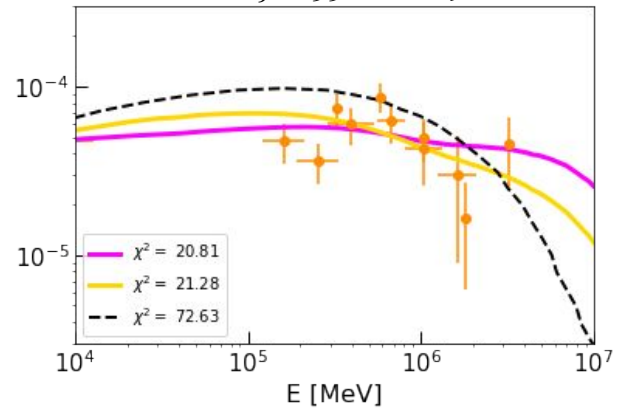
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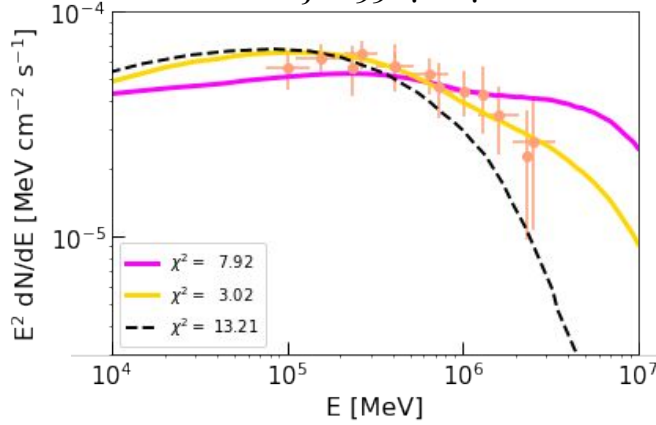
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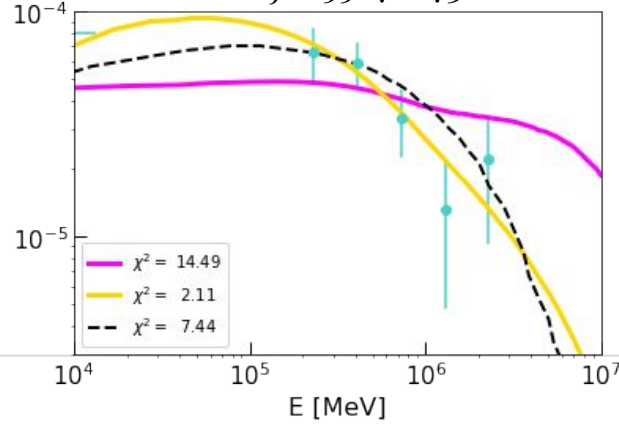
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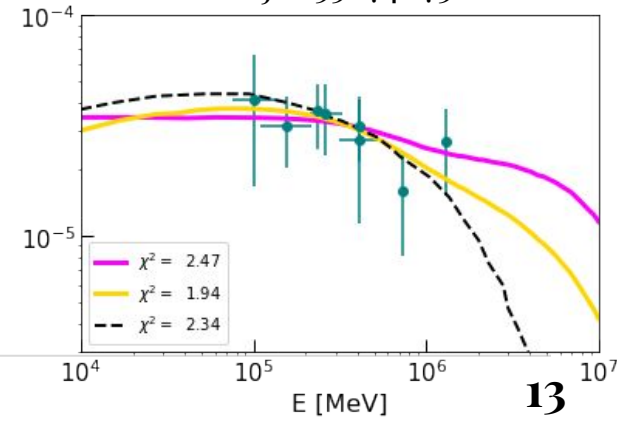
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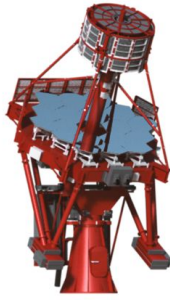
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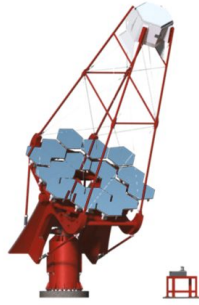
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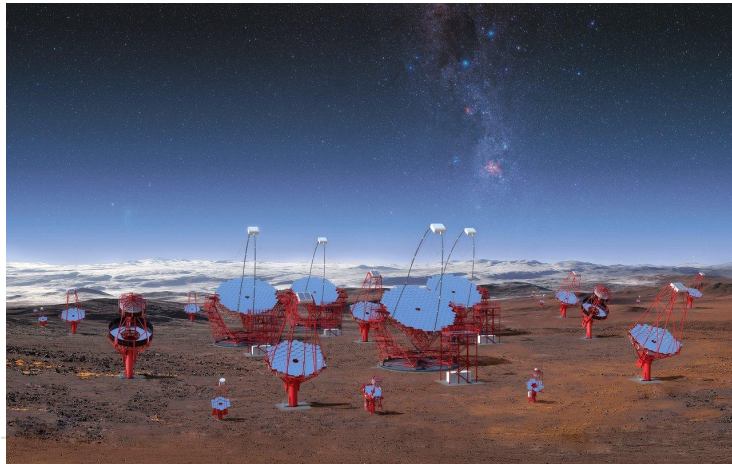
SST-2M GCT



SST-2M ASTRI



SST-1M



20 GeV up to 300 TeV

with enhanced angular resolution and sensitivity

Large-Sized (23 m): Low sensitivity 20-150 GeV.

Medium-Sized (12 m): core energy range, 150 GeV to 5 TeV.

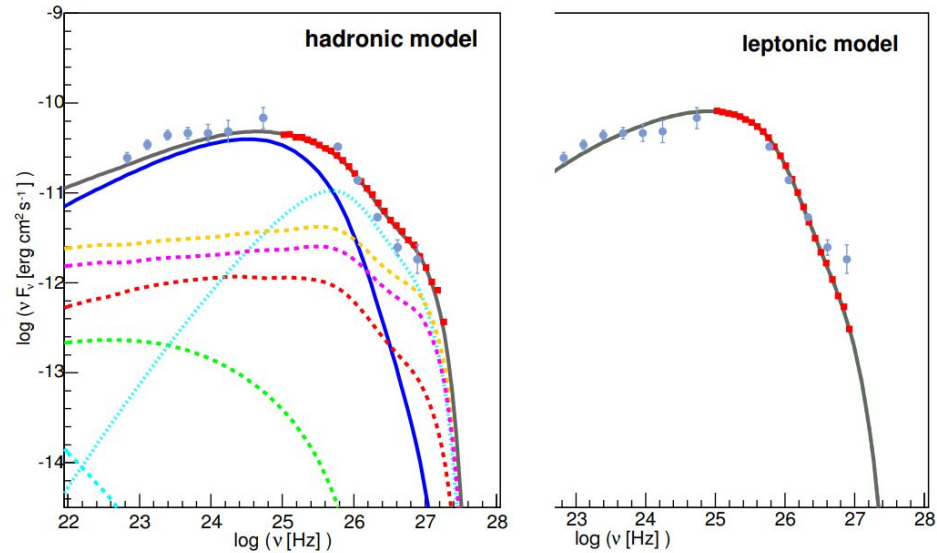
Small-Sized (~4 m): HE range, few TeV and 300 TeV.

Northern site: 0.6 km² array in La Palma, Spain. Focus on the low- and mid-energy ranges from 20 GeV to 20 TeV.

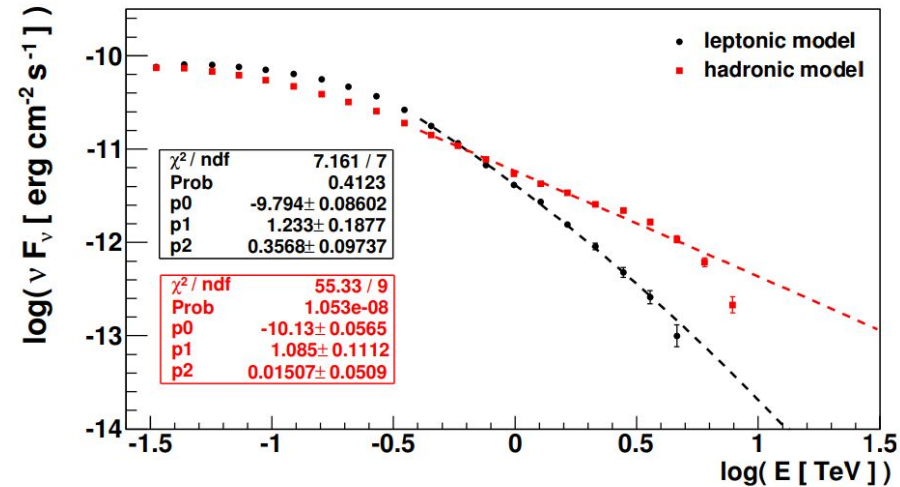
Southern site: 4 km² array at Paranal observatory in Chile. Cover the entire energy range.

CTA is coming...

Looking for hadronic contributions:



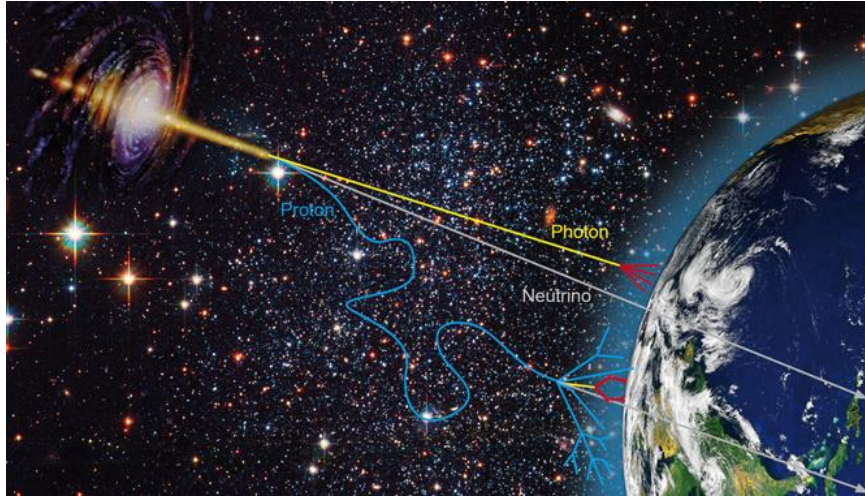
Difference between models at TeV energies.



The quality of a log-parabolic fit can be used to discriminate between the two models

Zech et al. 2017

Multi-messenger era



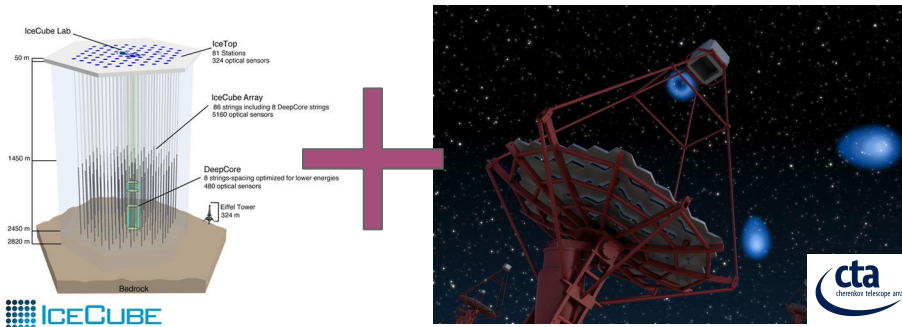
Neutrino Target of Opportunity Program (NTOO)

CTA will look for a gamma-ray counterpart to a neutrino source alert

We are using FIRESONG [Taboada et al. 2015] to simulate different neutrino sources populations

We aim to scan different local source densities and transient emission durations.

Different CTA instrument response functions (Prod3b-v2) configurations are tested in order to derive optimal follow-up strategies.



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