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TeV Gamma rays with ICAL-INO

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TeV-PeV Gamma-Ray Sources

- High energy gamma-rays can be produced,
 1. Hadron: Pion decay
 2. Lepton: Inverse compton scattering of accelerated electrons.
- TeVCat is the catalog of **165** sources that are detected with gamma-rays > 50 GeV, Pulsars, different types of AGNs (HBLs, Blazars), unknown sources too.
- TeV gamma rays are detected by ground based cherenkov detectors.

HESS – High Energy Strioscopic System, detect gamma rays 0.03 to 100 TeV, and is operational since 2012.

VERITAS – Very Energetic radiation Imaging Telescope Array System, with energy range 50 GeV to 50 TeV.

MAGIC – Major Atmospheric Gamma Imaging Cherenkov Telescope, with energy range 50 GeV to 30 TeV.

CTA – Cherenkov Telescope Array Improves sensitivity of a factor of 5-10 in the current expt. about energy 100 GeV to 10 TeV, and will be able to explore in energy range 100 GeV to 100 TeV.

Muons from Gamma-ray induced showers.

Production of Muons from Gamma-rays interacting with atm.,
(Stanav, Vankov & Halzen 1985)

1. Photoproduction, decay of pion or kaon to muons.

$$\gamma + N \rightarrow \pi + X \quad \pi^{\pm} \rightarrow \mu^{\pm} + \nu_{\mu}(\bar{\nu}_{\mu}),$$

$$K^{\pm} \rightarrow \mu^{\pm} + \nu_{\mu}(\bar{\nu}_{\mu})$$

$$e^{+}e^{-} \rightarrow \mu^{+} + \mu^{-}.$$

important in GeV energy.

2. Muon-pair production

$$\gamma + Z \rightarrow Z + \mu^{+} + \mu^{-},$$

Z, is nucleus of the atmosphere. This channel increases at higher energy.

Muon flux from Pion-Decay.

Drees, Halzen & Hikasa (1989), Tri L. Astraatmadja , Thesis 2013

Gamma-ray with power law flux, $\gamma(\epsilon) \propto \epsilon^{-(b+1)}$, $b = 0, <1$ or >1 .

Muon flux from pion decay in case of $b=1$,

$$\frac{dN_\mu}{d\epsilon_\mu} = \gamma(\epsilon_\mu, t=0) \frac{\Lambda_\pi}{\lambda_{\gamma A}} z_{\gamma\pi} \frac{L_\gamma}{1 + (L_\gamma/H_\gamma)\epsilon_\mu\epsilon_\pi \cos\theta},$$

Effective pion interaction length

$$\Lambda_\pi = 173 \text{ g cm}^{-2} = 4.66 \text{ radiation lengths} \quad z_{\gamma\pi} = \frac{\sigma_{\pi\pi}}{\sigma_{\gamma N}} = \frac{2}{3}$$

Effective length of photons in atmospheric nuclei,

$$\lambda_{\gamma A} = 446.14 \text{ radiation lengths}$$

$$L_\gamma = \frac{1-r^2}{2(1-r)} \frac{t_{\max}}{\Lambda_\pi}, \quad H_\gamma = \frac{1-r^3}{3(1-r)} \left[1 + \ln \frac{t_{\max}}{\Lambda_\pi} \right].$$

$$t_{\max} = \lambda_{e^+e^-} \ln \left[\frac{\epsilon_{\max} \langle x \rangle_{\gamma \rightarrow \mu}}{\epsilon} \right], \quad \lambda_{e^+e^-} = 9/7 \quad \langle x \rangle_{\gamma \rightarrow \mu} = 0.25$$

Muon flux, direct muon-pair production.

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(Bethe & Heitler, 1934) , Tri L. Astraatmadja , Thesis 2013

$$\frac{dN_\mu}{d\epsilon_\mu} = 2\lambda_{\text{rad}} \frac{N_A}{A} \gamma_0(\epsilon_\mu) \int_0^1 dx x^b \frac{d\sigma}{dx} \left(x, \frac{\epsilon_\mu}{x}\right) \int_0^{t_{\text{max}}} dt \gamma_2(t, b).$$

A is the atomic number of the nuclei involved

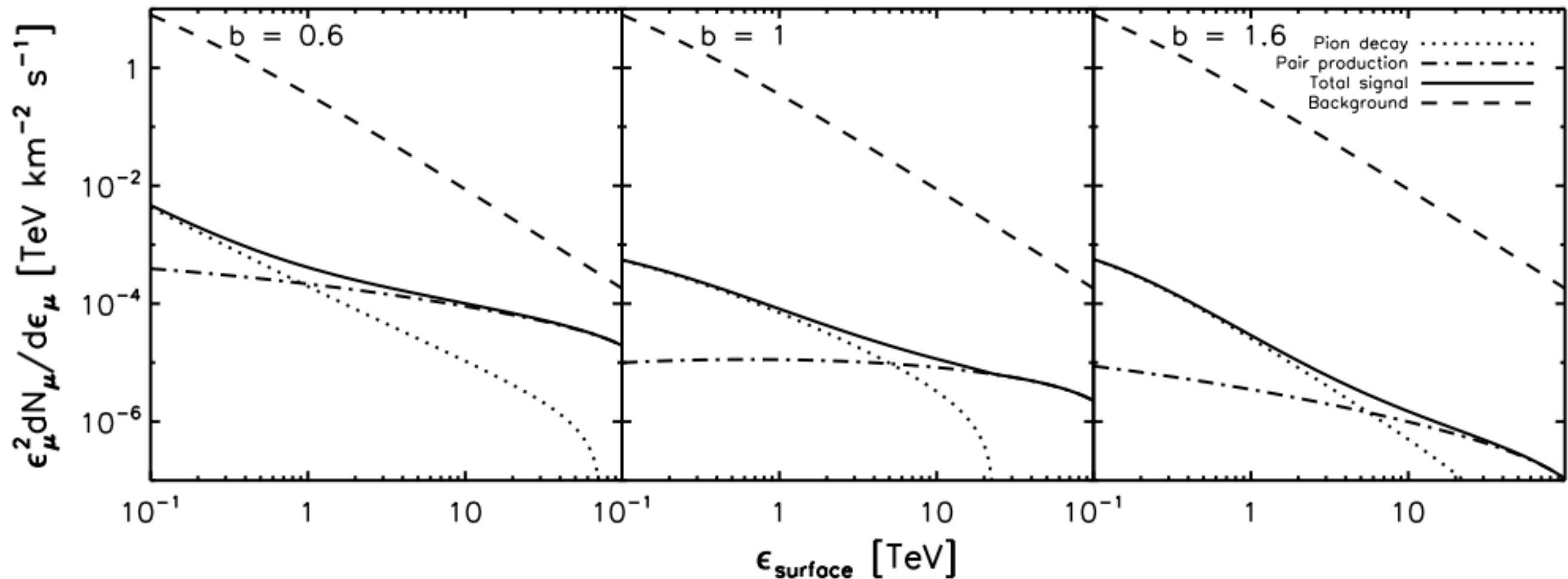
$$\epsilon_{\text{th}} = \frac{2m_\mu}{m_e} (m_\mu + m_e) \simeq 43.9 \text{ GeV}.$$

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dx}(x, \epsilon_\gamma) = 4\alpha Z^2 \left(r_0 \frac{m_e}{m_\mu}\right)^2 \left[1 - \frac{4}{3}x(1-x)\right] \left[\Phi_{\text{el}}(\delta) + \frac{1}{Z}\Phi_{\text{in}}(\delta)\right]$$

$$\frac{dN_\mu}{d\epsilon_\mu} \approx 0.14\epsilon_\mu^{-2.7} \left[\frac{1}{1 + \frac{1.1\epsilon_\mu \cos \theta}{115\text{GeV}}} + \frac{0.054}{1 + \frac{1.1\epsilon_\mu \cos \theta}{850\text{GeV}}} \right] \text{GeV}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1} \text{sr}^{-1}.$$

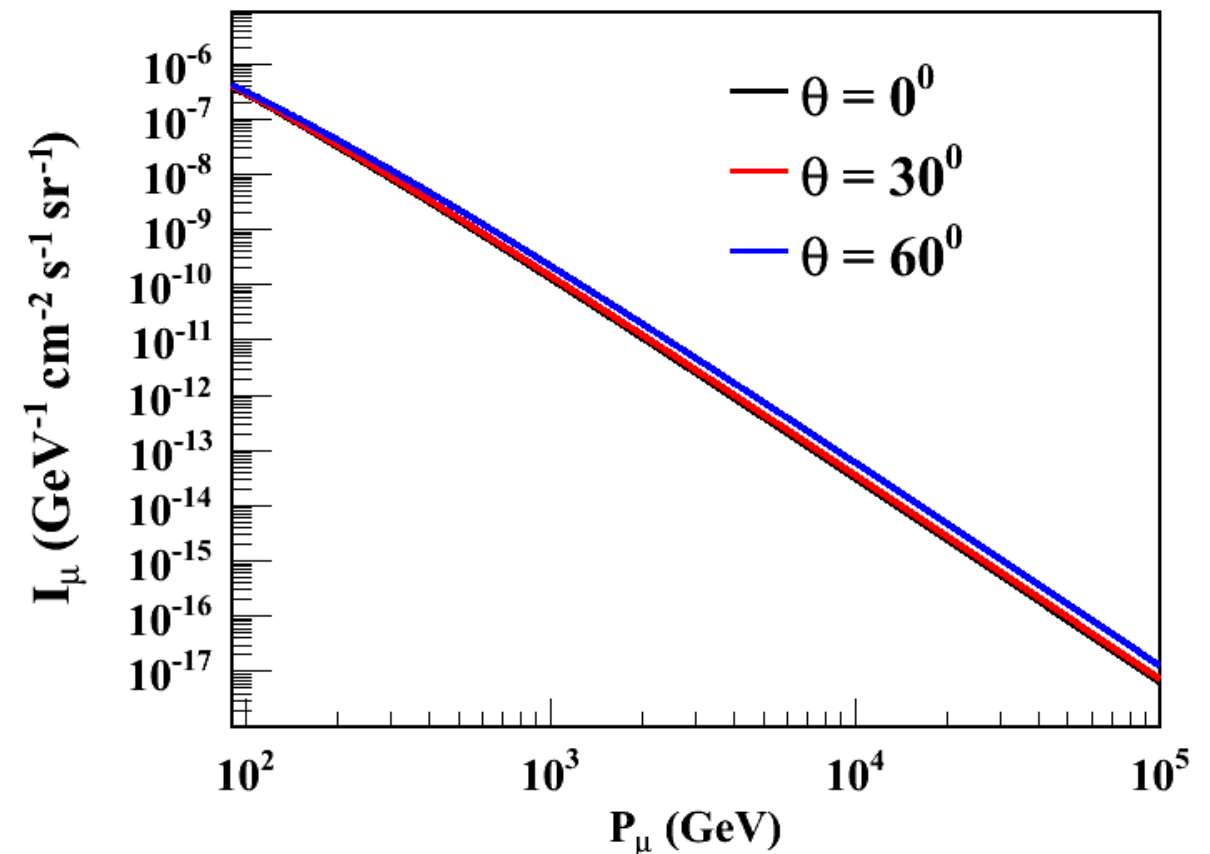
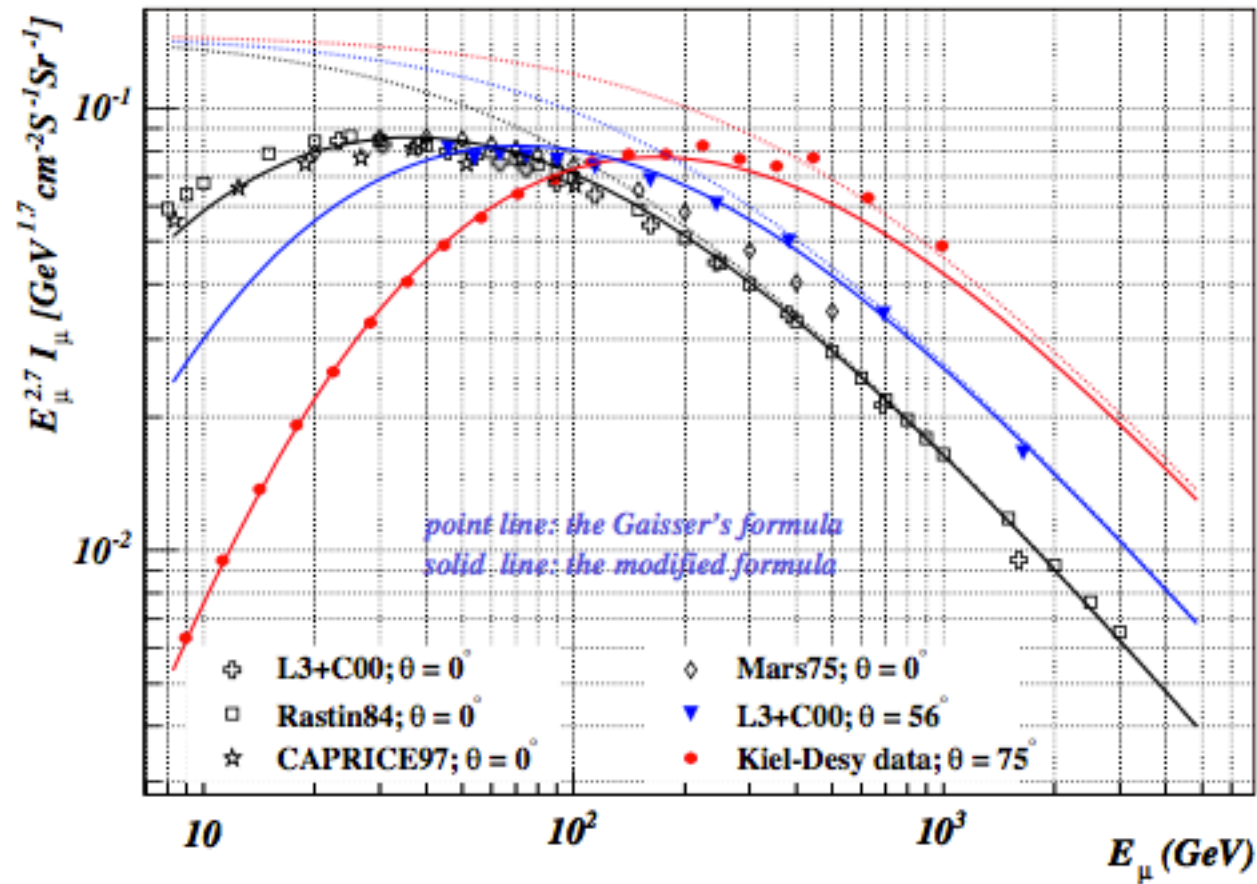
Muon background at
sea level, Gaisser
1990

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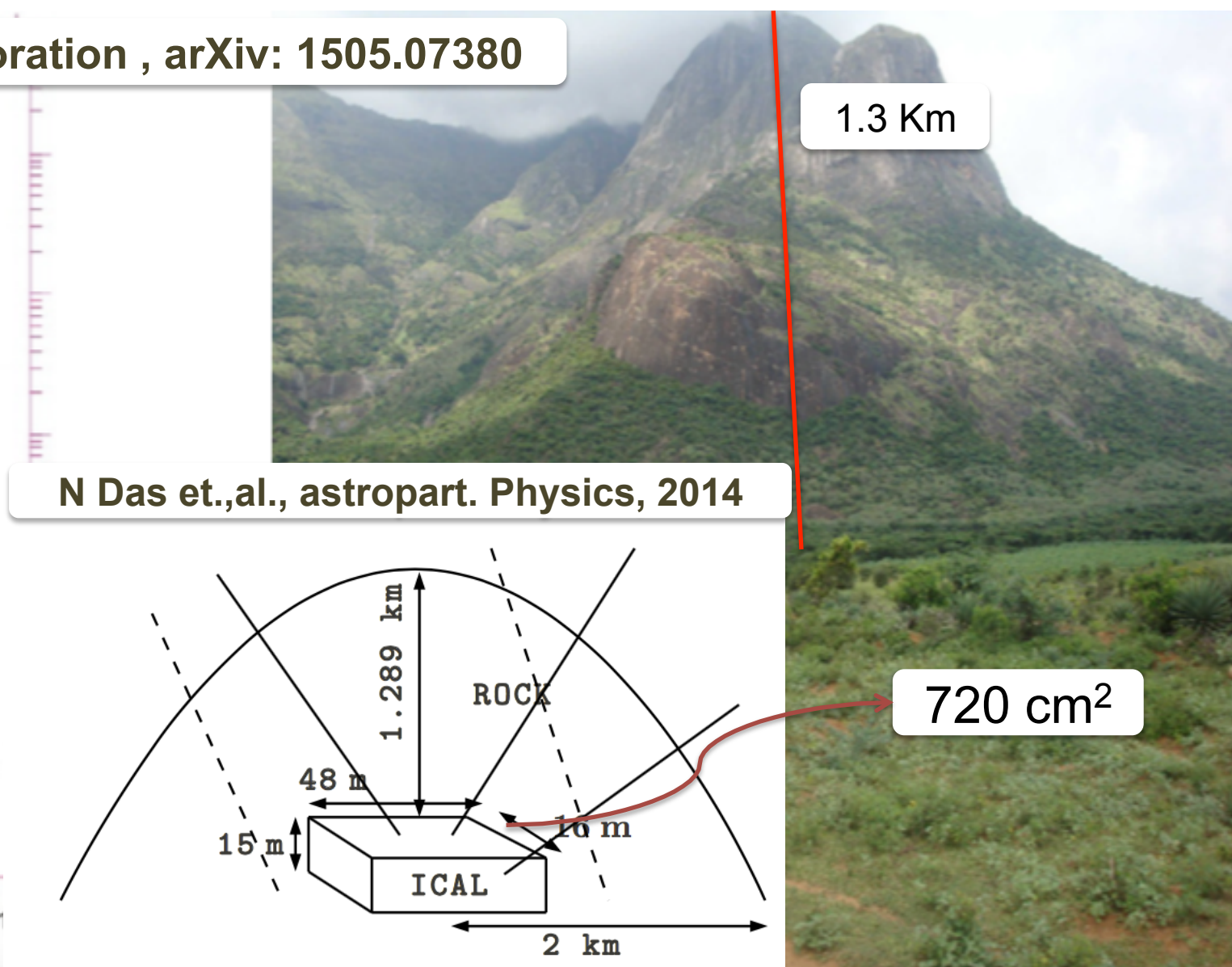
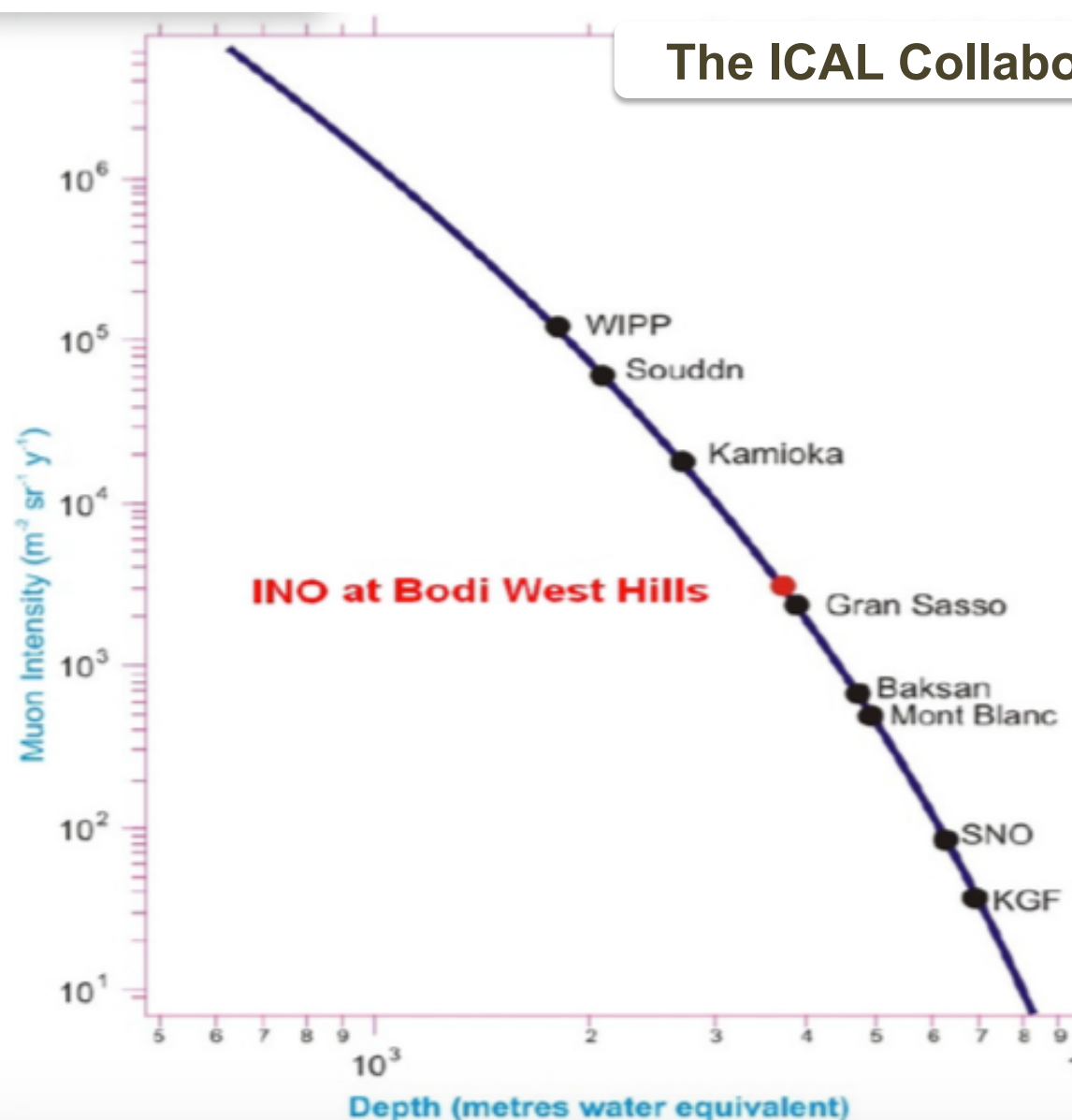
The spectrum of a fictive, unattenuated test source with fluence $f_\gamma = 10^{-1} \text{ TeV}^{-1} \text{ km}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ at 1 TeV, for photon spectral indices $b = (0.6, 1, 1.6)$, photon energy cutoff $\epsilon_{\text{max}} = 300 \text{ TeV}$, and zenith distance $\theta = 30^\circ$.

Modified background at sea level as in, Daya Bay collaboration, G. Mengyun et.al.,

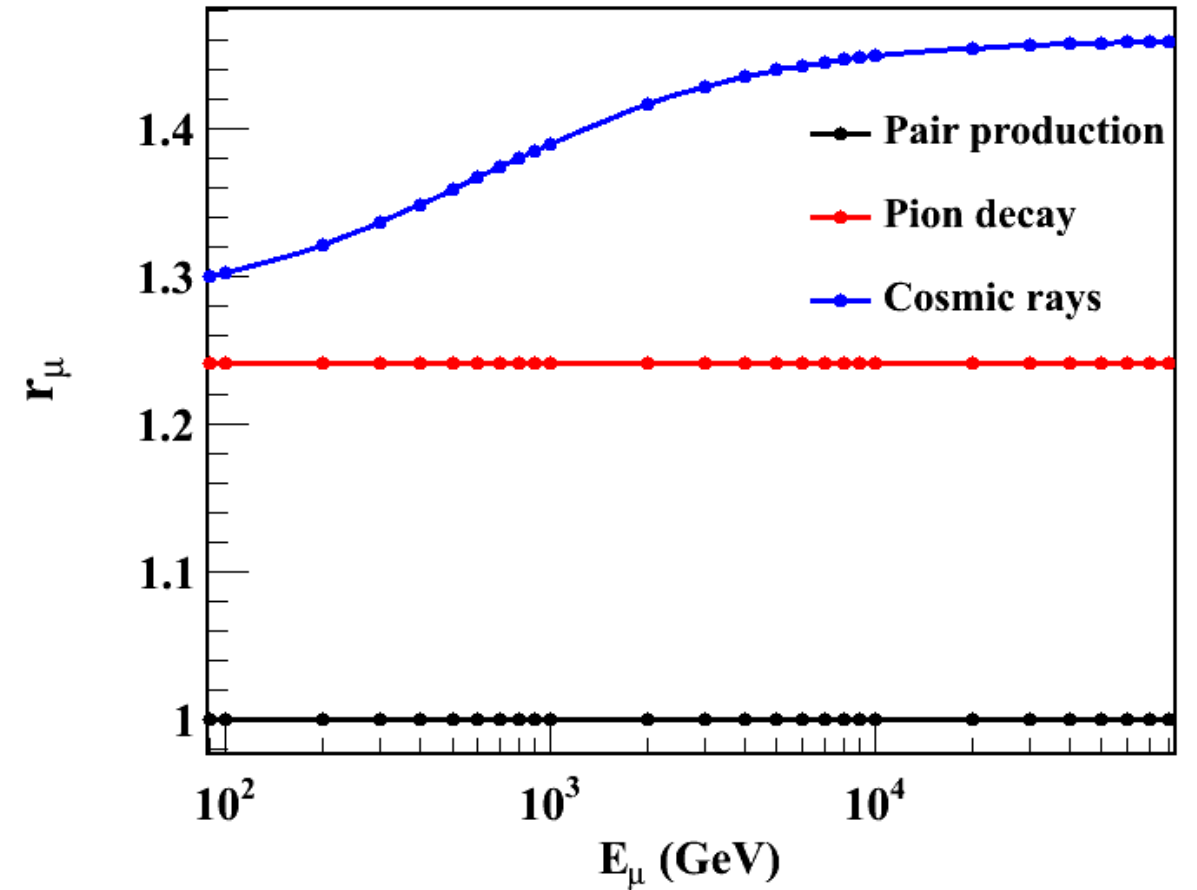
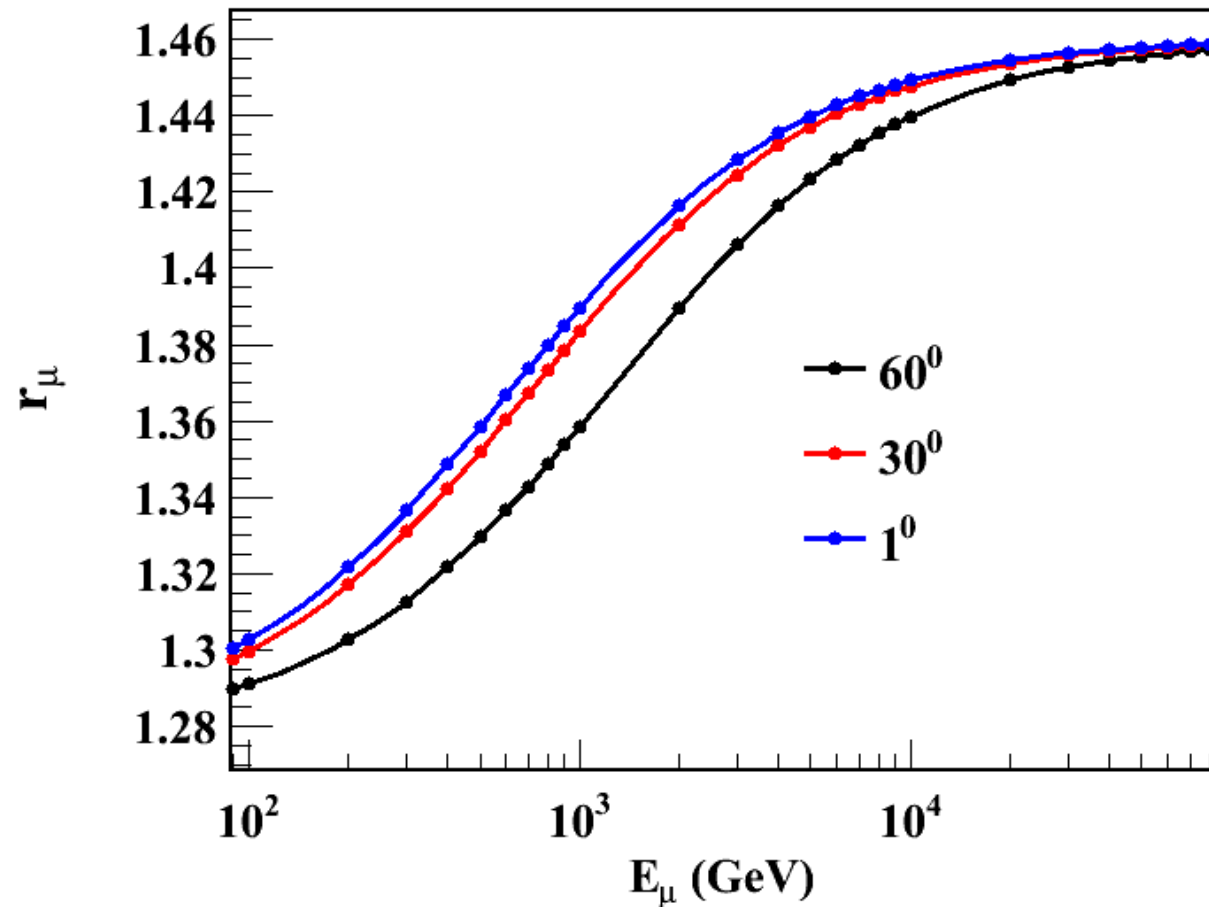


India-based Neutrino Observatory – Iron CALorimeter

- 50 kt mass with 1.5 T magnetized ICAL-INO is designed to study the Earth matter effects of atmospheric neutrinos in multi-GeV energy.
- To see the earth effect it is proposed to built in Bodi West Hills, Tamilnadu India.



Muon ratio



The figure shows muon flux ratio $r_\mu = \mu^+/\mu^-$ from photon shower with any index and any fluence, in case of both pion decay muons and muon pair production. The figure also shows the background muon ratio (P.A. Schreiner et. al., 2009) production by cosmic rays.

Summary

- Till now the High energy gamma ray study has been carried by Cherenkov telescopes.
- Detection of TeV-PeV gamma-ray induced muons by large neutrino detectors are also proposed.
- But the atmospheric muon background is too high to find out the signal.
- INO-ICAL is a proposed magnetised neutrino detector going to be built under a hill of height nearly 1 km, blocking some of the atmospheric muons.
- It has also ability to find the charge ratio of the muons produced by both atmospheric muon and gamma ray signal.