

Observations of the brightest UHE Gamma-Ray Sources With the LHAASO-KM2A

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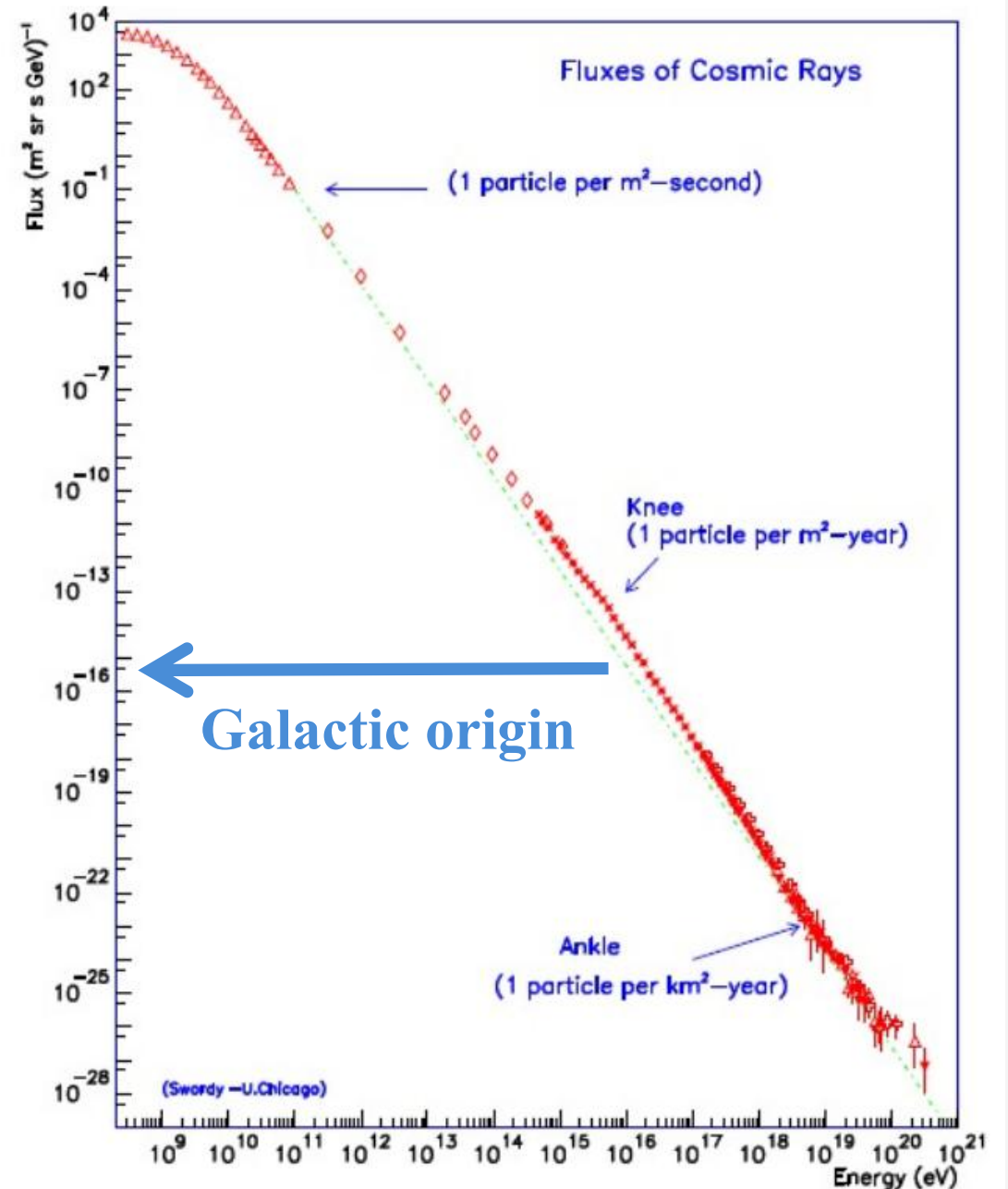
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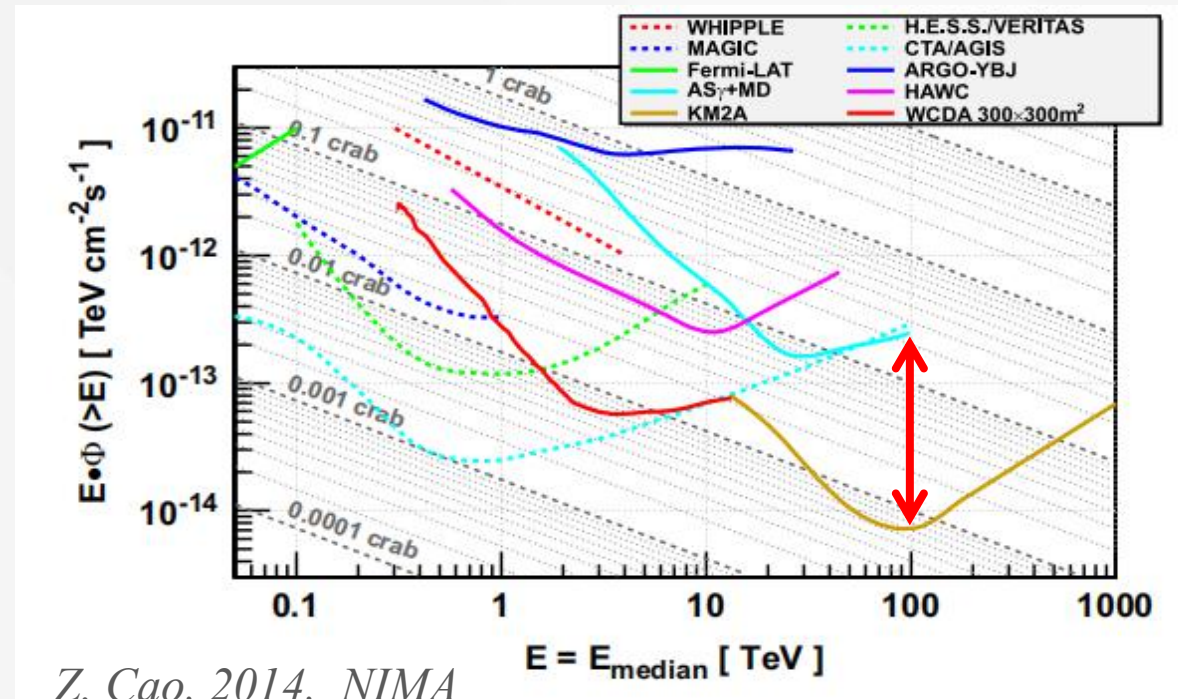
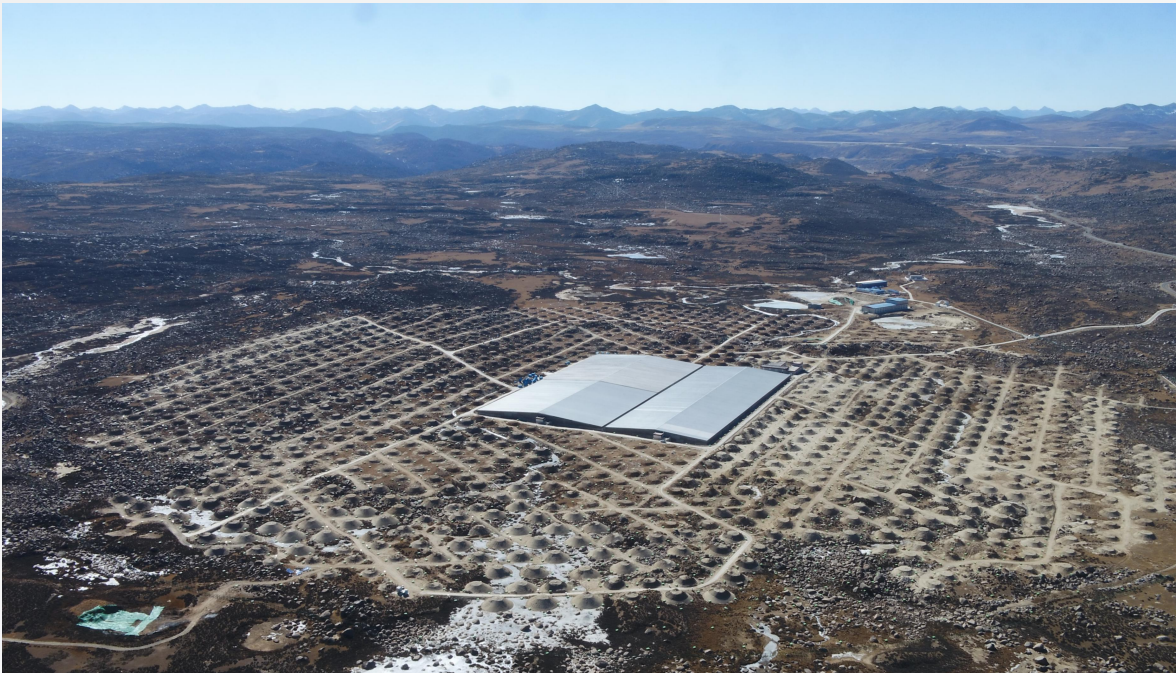
1. Introduction

- One or more factories of PeV CRs, or PeVatrons, must be active within our Galaxy.
- The possible candidates include SNR, Galactic Center, Star forming regions and so on.
- The identification of PeVatrons needs more observations of ultra-high energy (UHE; $E \geq 0.1$ PeV) gamma-rays sources.



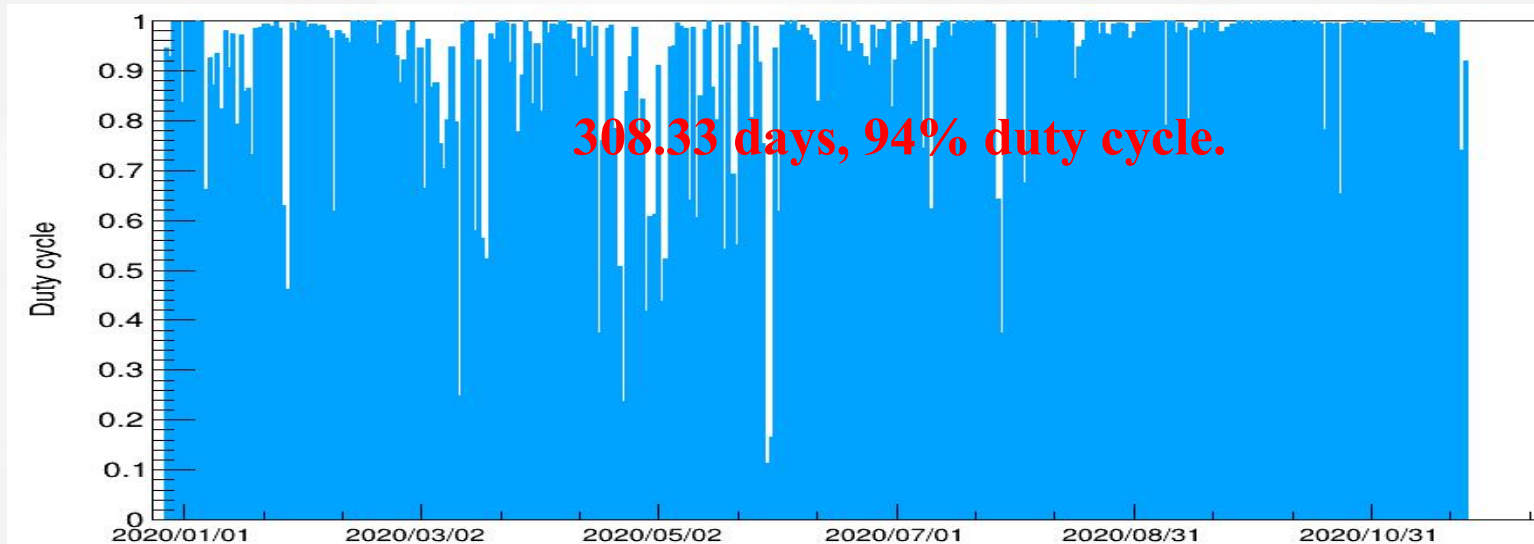
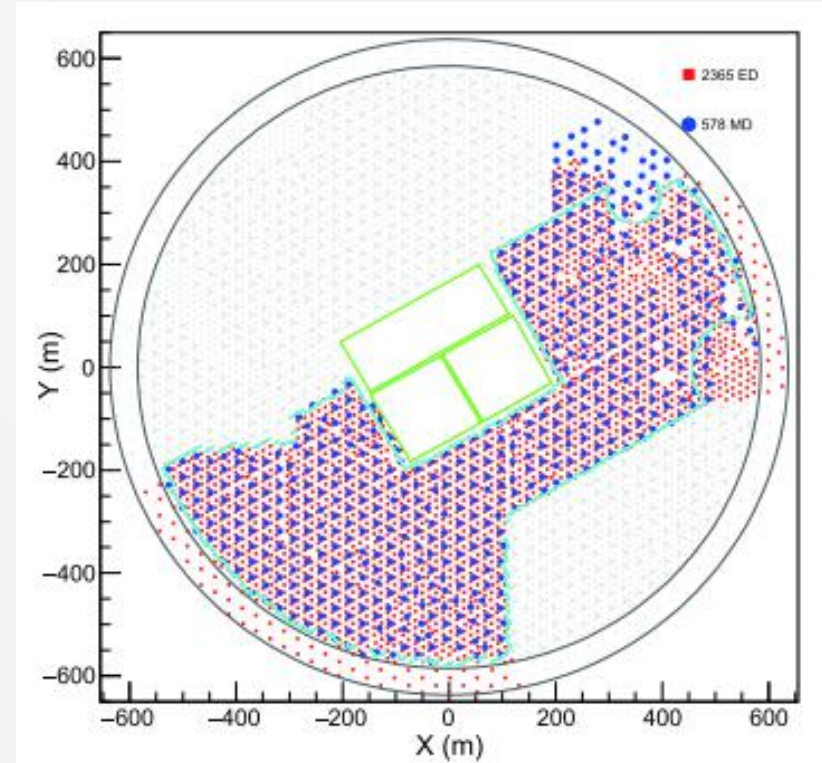
2. The LHAASO Detectors Array

- LHAASO, 4410 m a.s.l. :
KM2A+WCDA+WFCTA
- The KM2A is most sensitive detector array above 20 TeV.

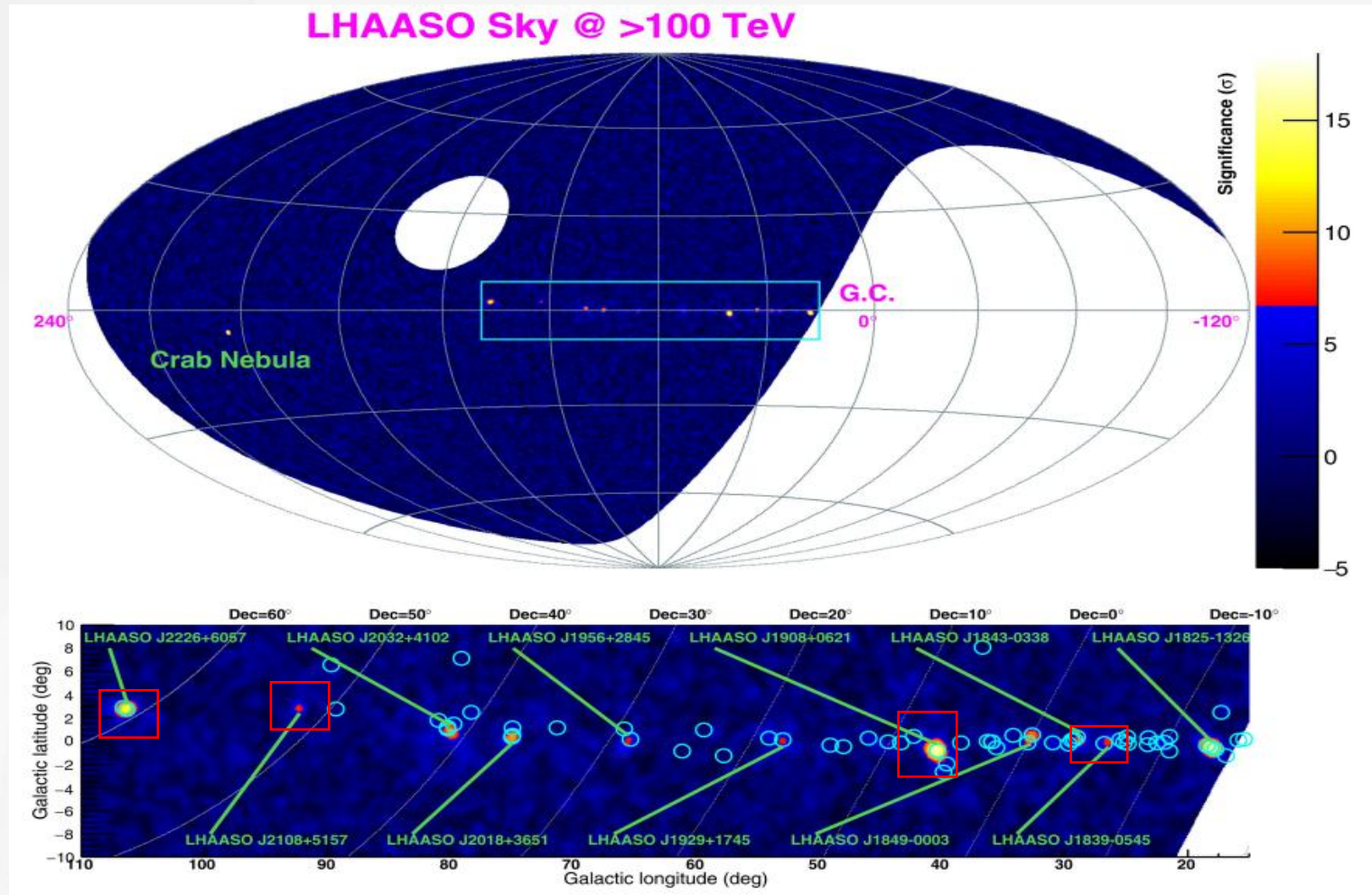


The KM2A half-array

- **Data :**
27th December 2019 to 24th November 2020
- **Analysis Methods:**
direct integration method->background
likelihood analysis->significances
forward-unfolding method-> SED



12 UHE gamma-ray sources $> 7\sigma$

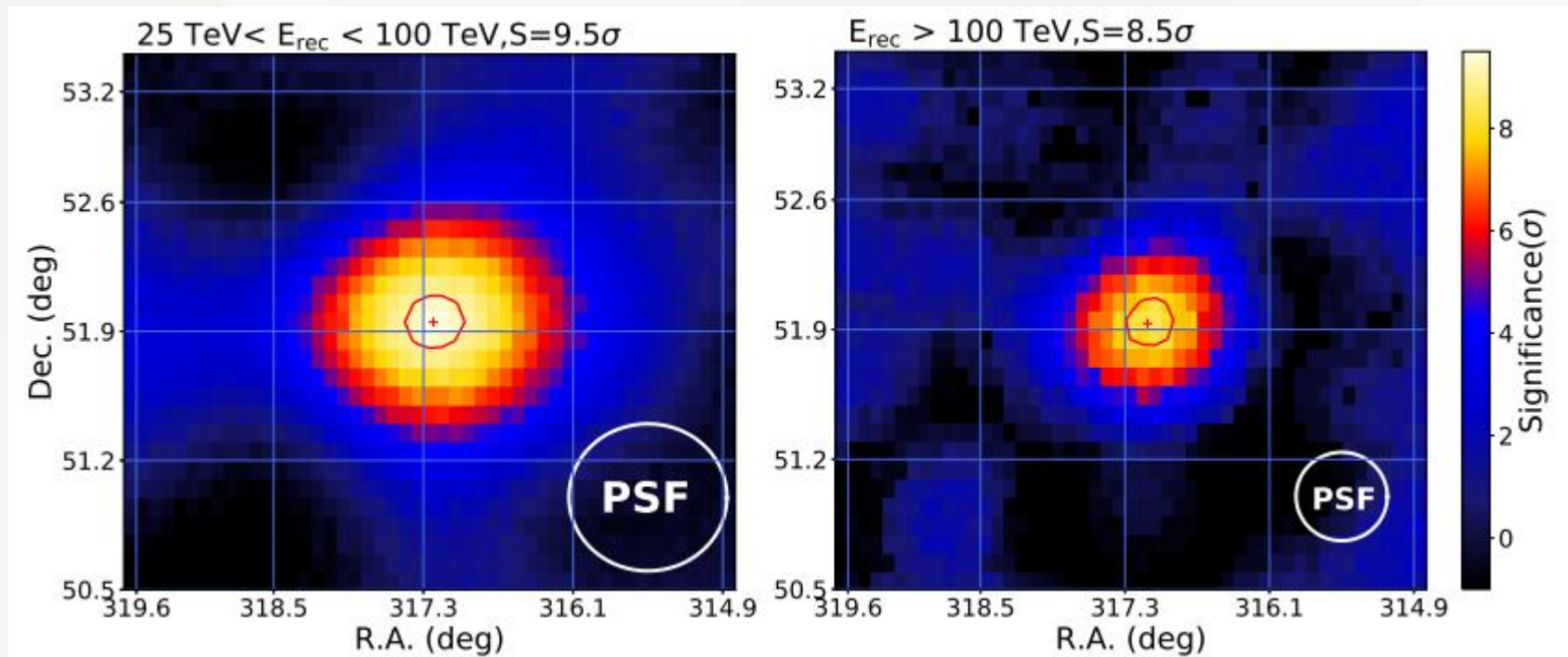


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3. Results

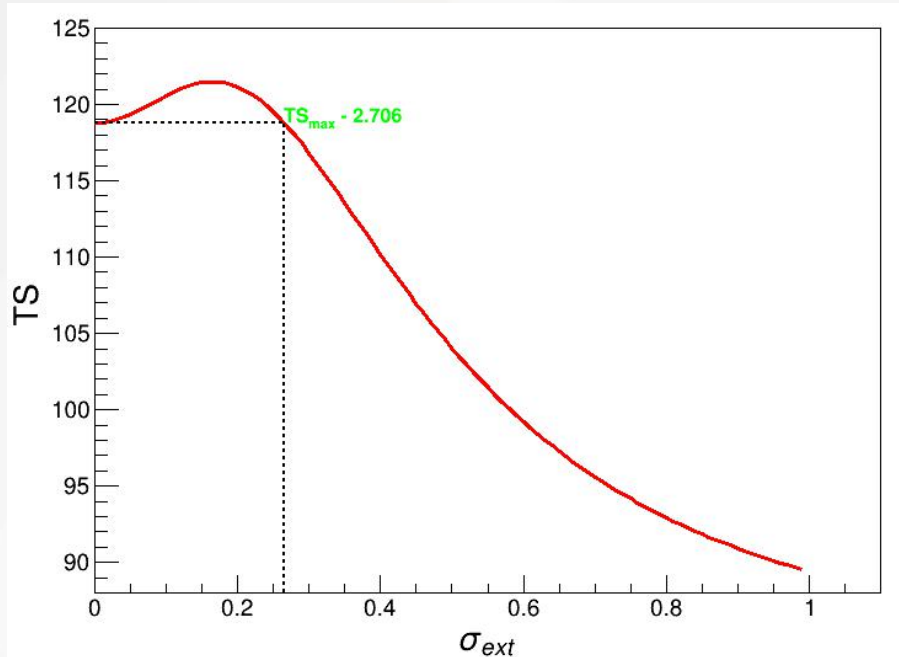
3.1 LHAASO J2108+5157

- First discovered by LHAASO at 9.5σ significance level.
- The post-trial significance at $>100\text{TeV}$ is about 6.4σ .

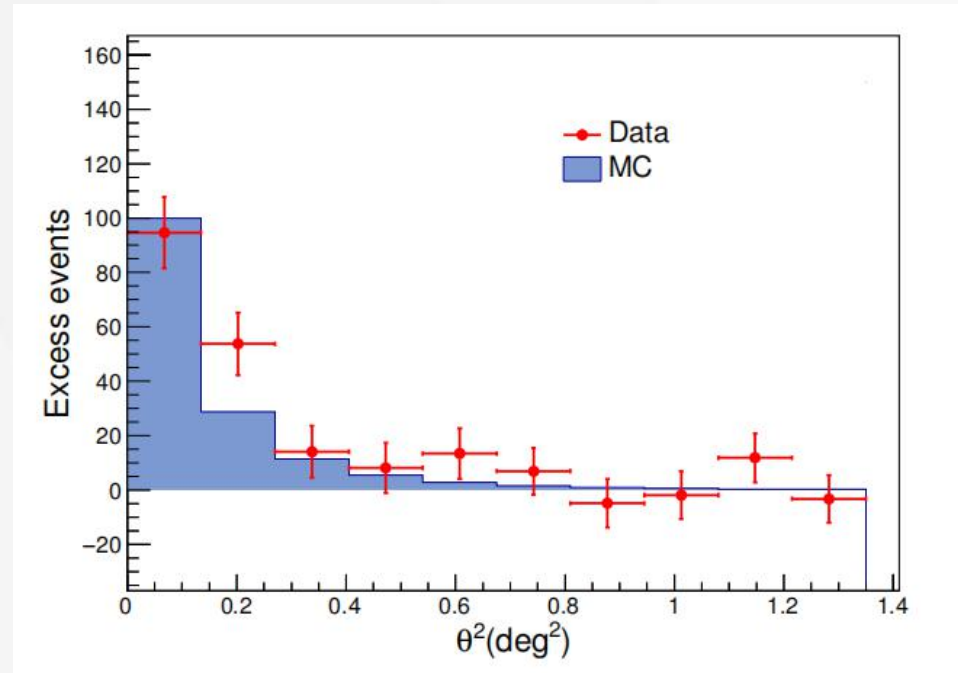


3.1 LHAASO J2108+5157

- An upper limit on the extension is 0.26° at 95% confidence level.



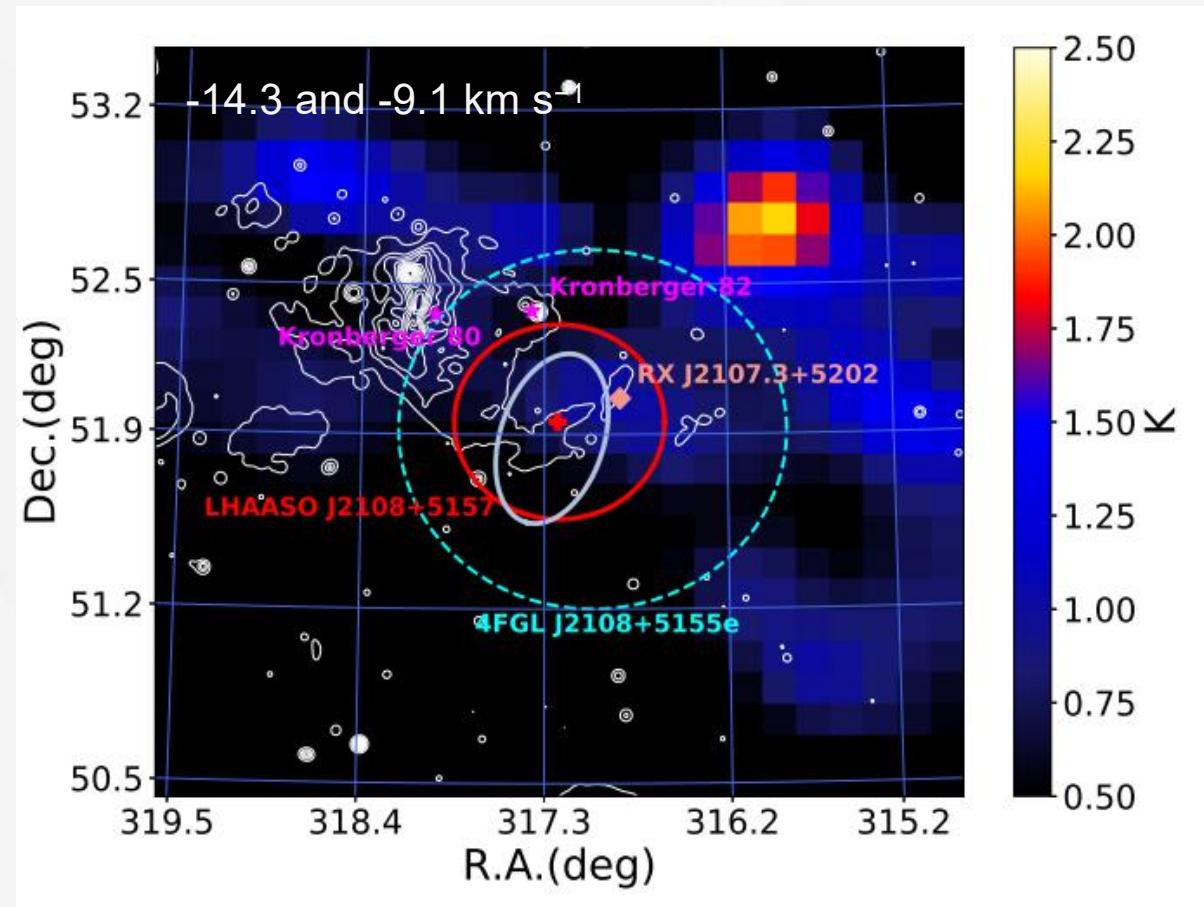
- The distribution is generally consistent with the PSF obtained using MC simulations ($\chi^2/ndf, 9.1/10$).



3.1 LHAASO J2108+5157

Searching for counterparts at other wavelengths

- TeV, X-Ray, Radio: No counterpart.
- GeV:
4FGL J2108.0+5155(Fermi catalog),
4FGL J2108.0+5155e(reanalysis, 0.48° , 7.8σ).
- CO :[MML2017]4607, 3.28 kpc, 30cm^{-2} .



3.1 LHAASO J2108+5157

Scenarios for the origin of UHE emission

Lepton model:

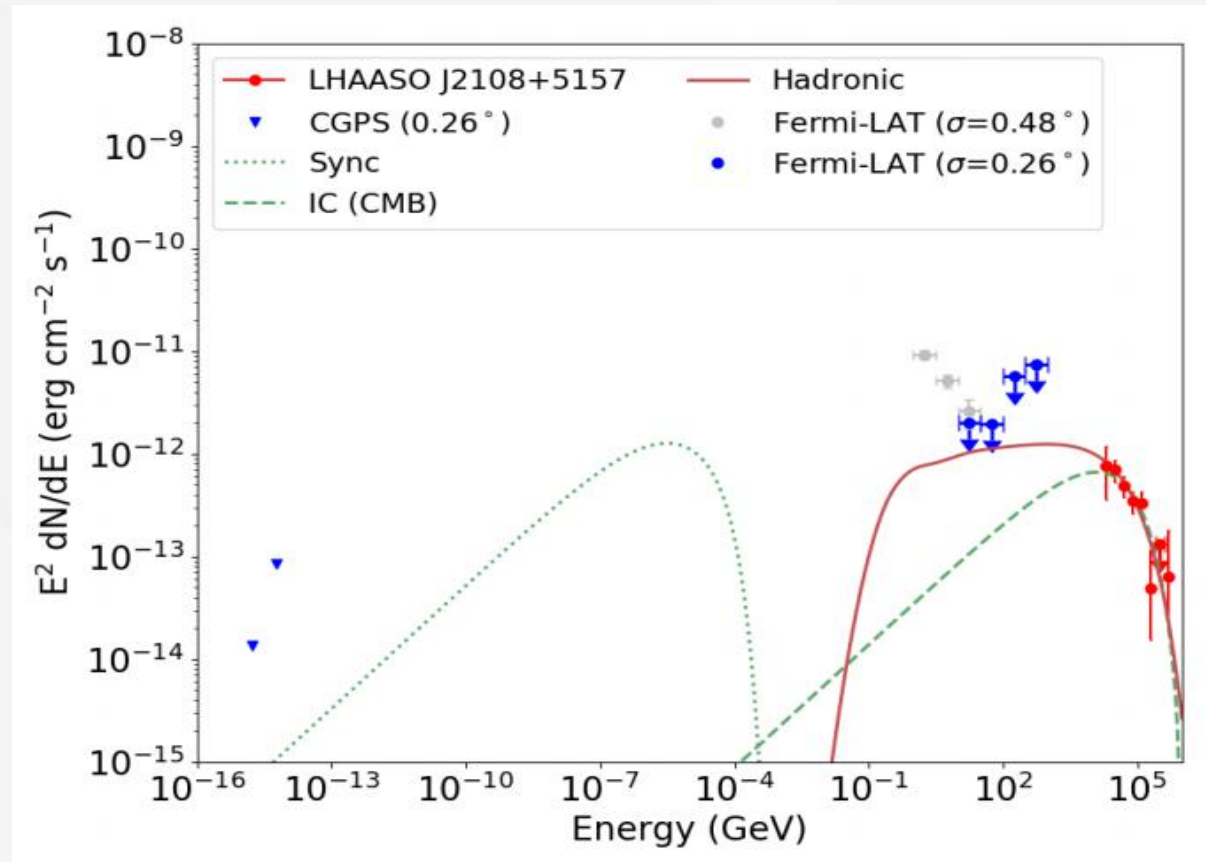
- $E_c \sim 200 \text{ TeV}$; $a = -2.2$; $B \sim 3 \mu\text{G}$;
- Total electron energy $> 10 \text{ TeV}$:

$$1 \times 10^{46} \left(\frac{D}{1 \text{ kpc}} \right)^2 \text{ erg.}$$

Hadronic model:

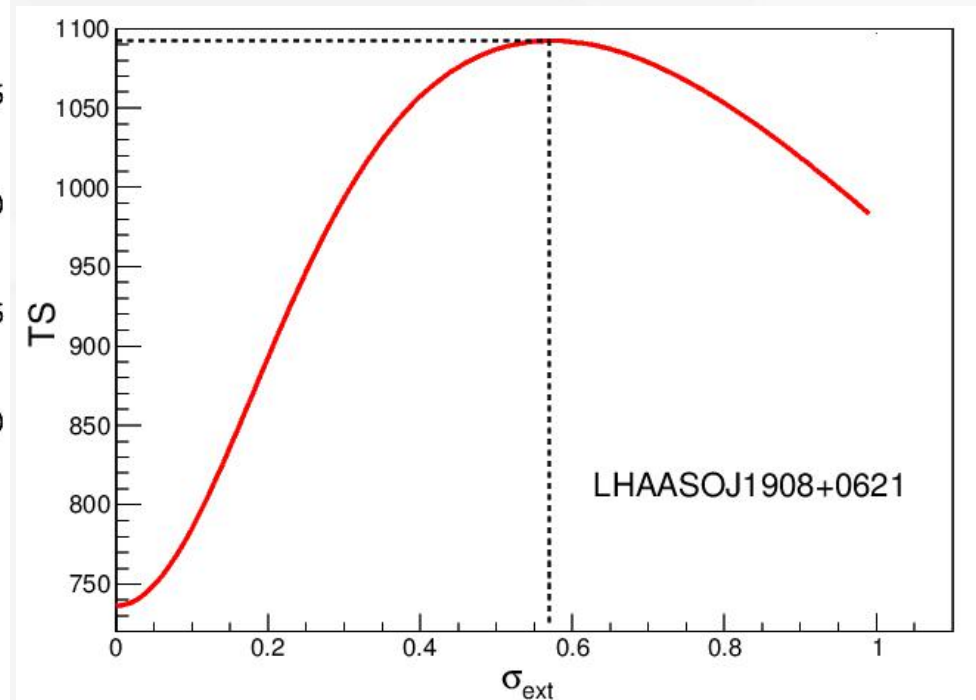
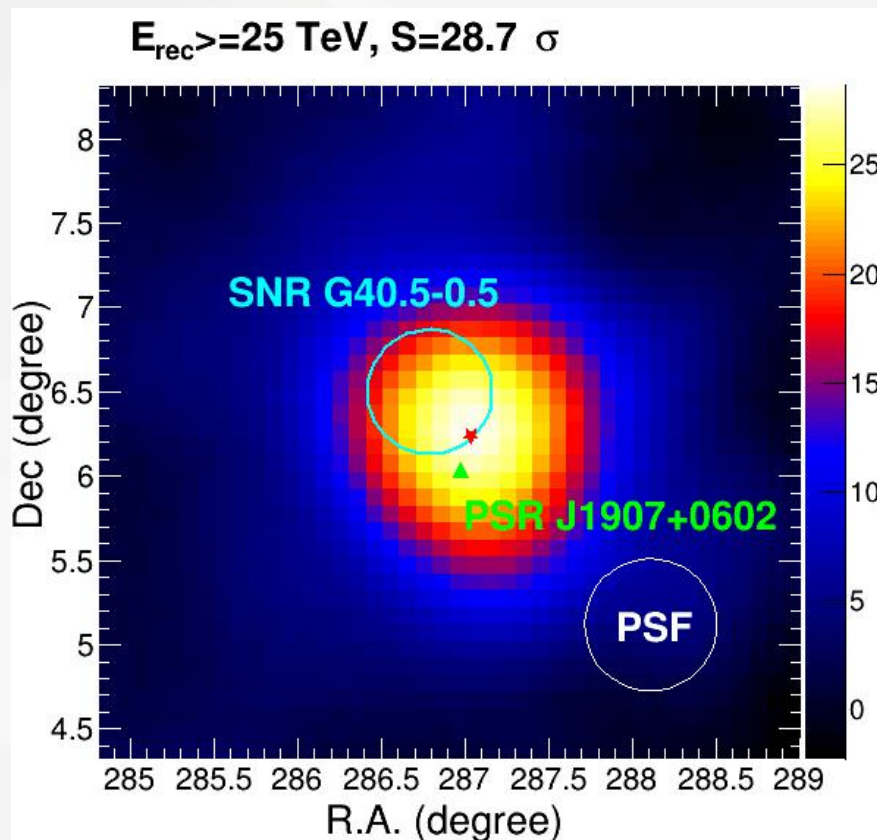
- $E_c \sim 600 \text{ TeV}$; $a = -2$;
- Total energy in protons :

$$2 \times 10^{48} \left(\frac{n}{30 \text{ cm}^{-3}} \right)^{-1} \left(\frac{D}{3.28 \text{ kpc}} \right)^2 \text{ erg}$$



3.2 LHAASO J1908+0621

- LHAASO J1908+0621 is consistent with the MGRO J1908+06
- It is spatially associated with SNR G40.5-0.5 and a pulsar PSR J1907+0602 (3.2 kpc)
- Above 25 TeV, the fit position is $(\text{RA}, \text{DEC}) = (287.04^\circ \pm 0.03^\circ, 6.24^\circ \pm 0.04^\circ)$, the extension is $0.57^\circ \pm 0.03^\circ$.



3.2 LHAASO J1908+0621

Scenarios for the origin of UHE emission

Lepton model: 6% spin-down power of PSR J1907+0602

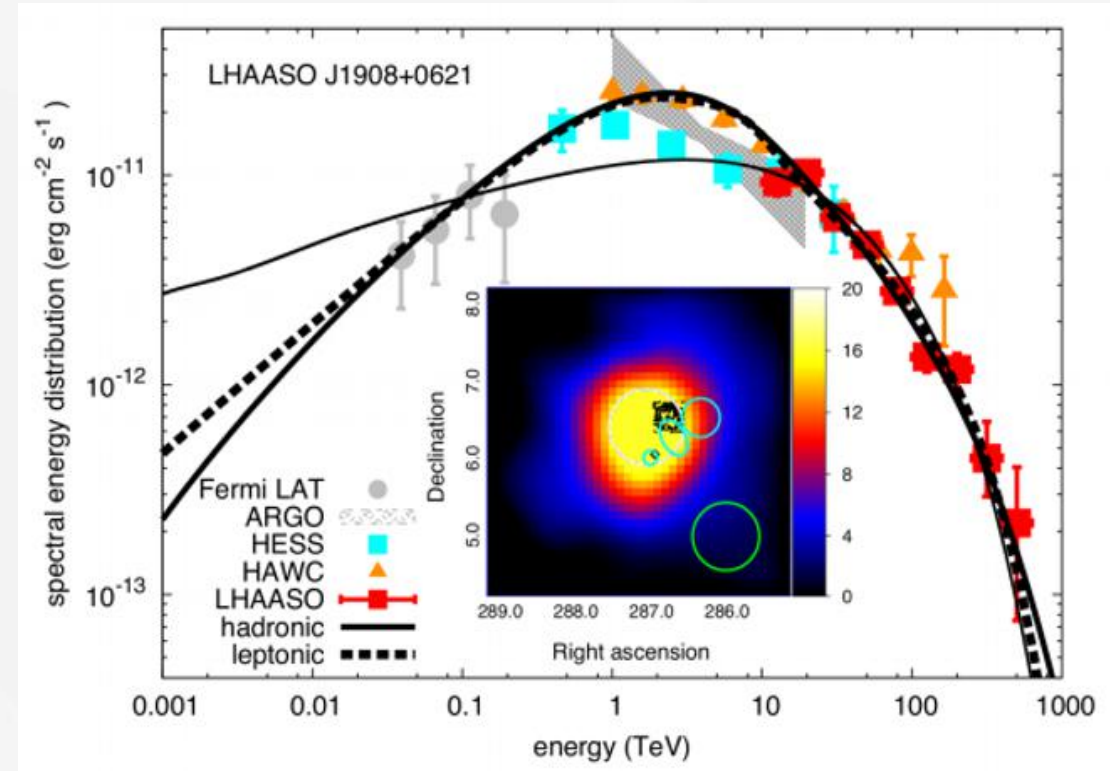
$$N(E) \propto E_e^{-1.75} \exp\{-[E_e/(800 \text{ TeV})]^2\}$$

Hadronic model:

$$N(E) \approx E^{-1.85} \exp[-E/(380 \text{ TeV})]$$

- a broken power-law spectrum with an exponential cutoff:
a1=1.2, a2= 2.7(25TeV); Ec~600TeV;1.3PeV

LHAASO J1908+0621 can accelerate particles to PeV energie



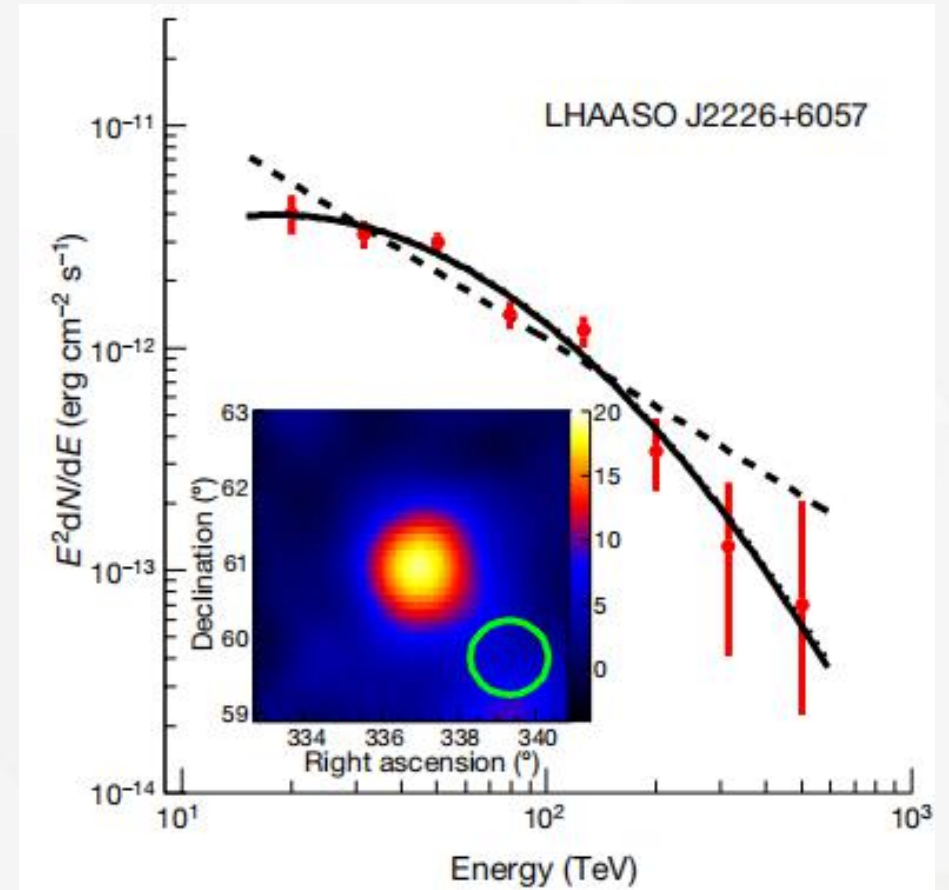
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3.3 LHAASO J2226+6057

- LHAASO J2226+6057 is spatially associated with SNR G106.3+2.7 and an pulsar PSR J2229+6114 (0.8kpc).
- Above 25TeV, the extension is $0.36^\circ \pm 0.06^\circ$.
- The detected highest photon energies: $0.57 \pm 0.19\text{PeV}$.
- The Spectrum:

$$\frac{dN}{dE} \propto \left(\frac{E}{10 \text{ TeV}}\right)^{-1.56-0.88\log[E/(10 \text{ TeV})]}, AIC = 12.3$$

$$\frac{dN}{dE} \propto E^{-3.01}, AIC = 24.4$$

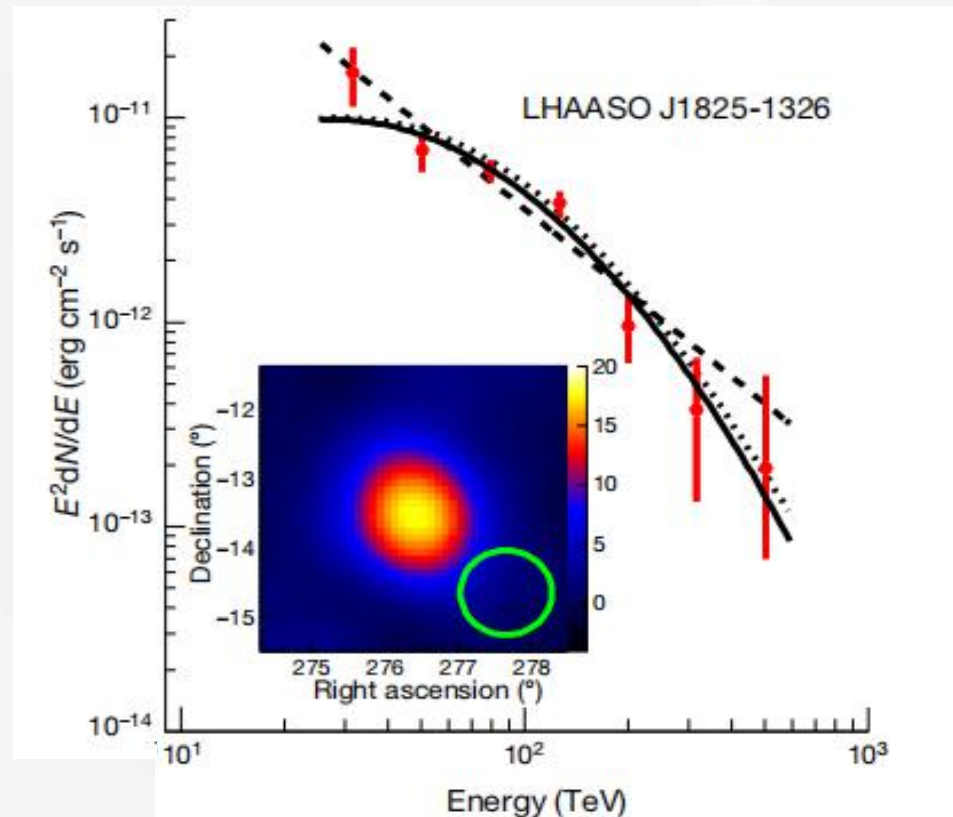


3.4 LHAASO J1825-1326

- LHAASO J1825-1326 is spatially associated with PSR J1826-1334 and PSR J1826-1256.
- Above 25TeV, the extension is $0.30^\circ \pm 0.06^\circ$.
- The detected highest photon energies: 0.42 ± 0.16 PeV.
- The Spectrum:

$$\frac{dN}{dE} \propto \left(\frac{E}{10 \text{ TeV}}\right)^{-0.92-1.19\log[E/(10 \text{ TeV})]}, AIC = 11.6$$

$$\frac{dN}{dE} \propto E^{-3.36}, AIC = 14.8$$



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4. SUMMARY

- LHAASO has a high ability to observe UHE gamma-ray sources. 12 UHE sources has been observed. It will play an important role in the identification of the PeVatrons.
- The LHAASO J2108+5157 is coincident with molecular clouds. It is a new PeVatron Candidate.
- LHAASO has observed the LHAASO J1908+0621, LHAASO J2226+6057 and LHAASO J1825-1326 at a high significance above 100 TeV. We will make a deep analysis of these three sources in the future.

Thank You!