

# Radio:

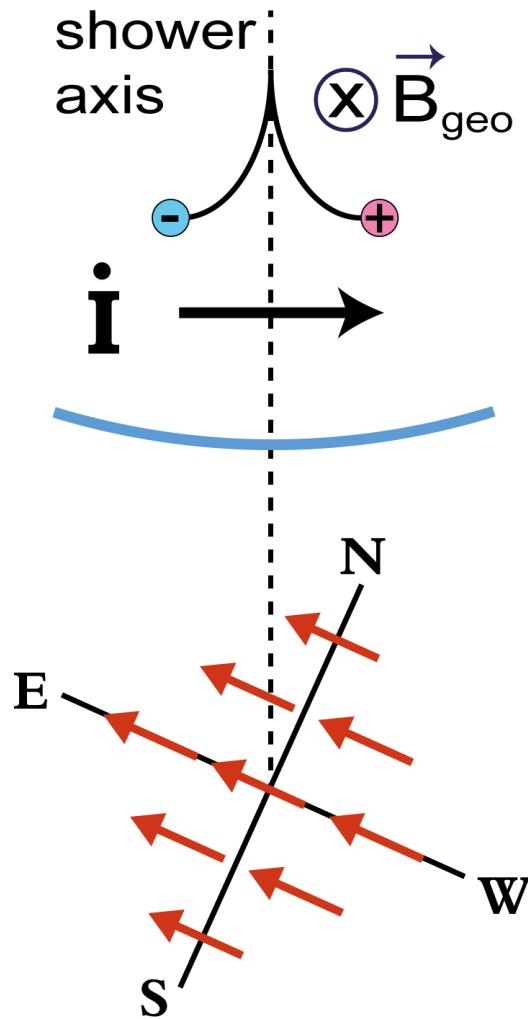
- **composition-systematics in simulations**
- **prospects for multi-hybrid measurements**

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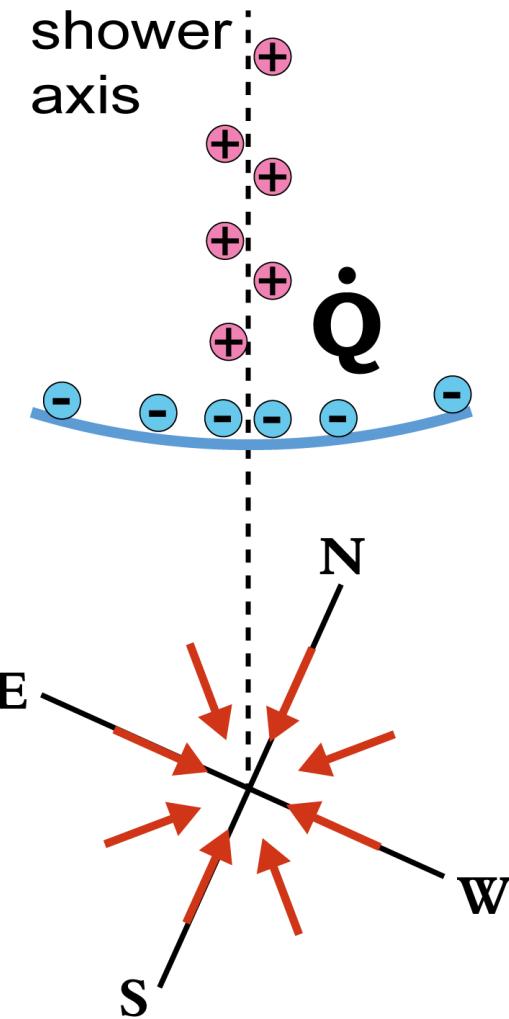
# Emission mechanisms



geomagnetic effect ~ 90%

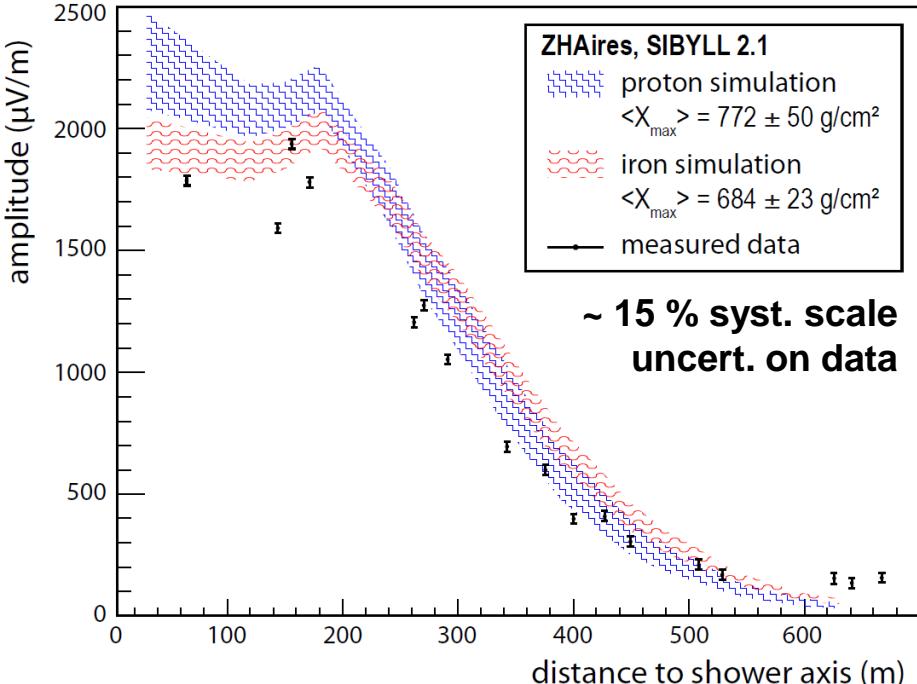
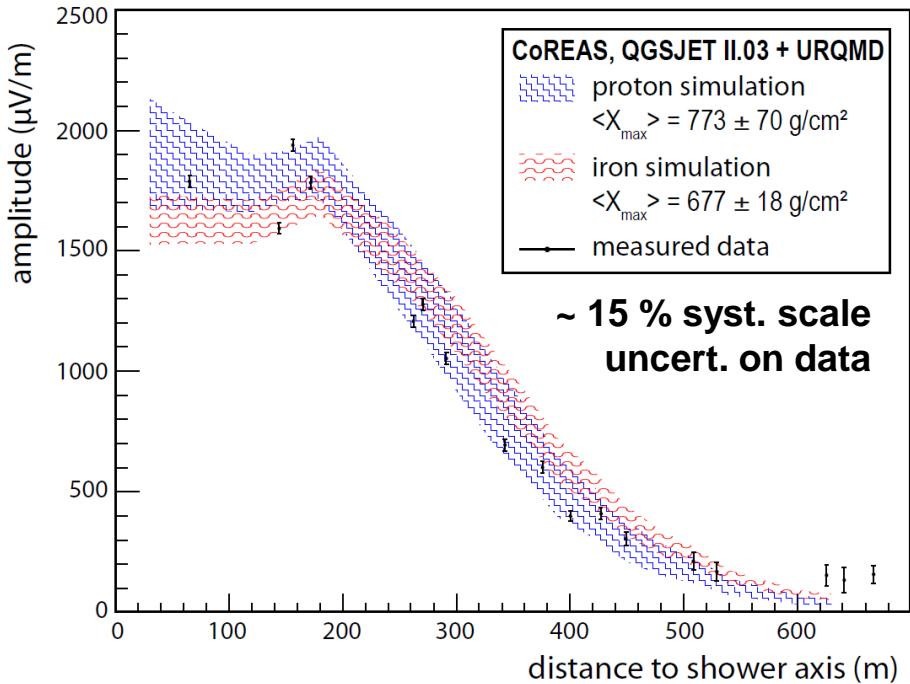
shower front

polarization in  
shower plane  
at detector



Askaryan effect ~ 10%

# CoREAS vs. ZHAires



## ■ Why is there a difference of 10 – 20 % ?

- CORSIKA vs. Aires
- hadronic interaction model
- ZHS vs. end-point formalism

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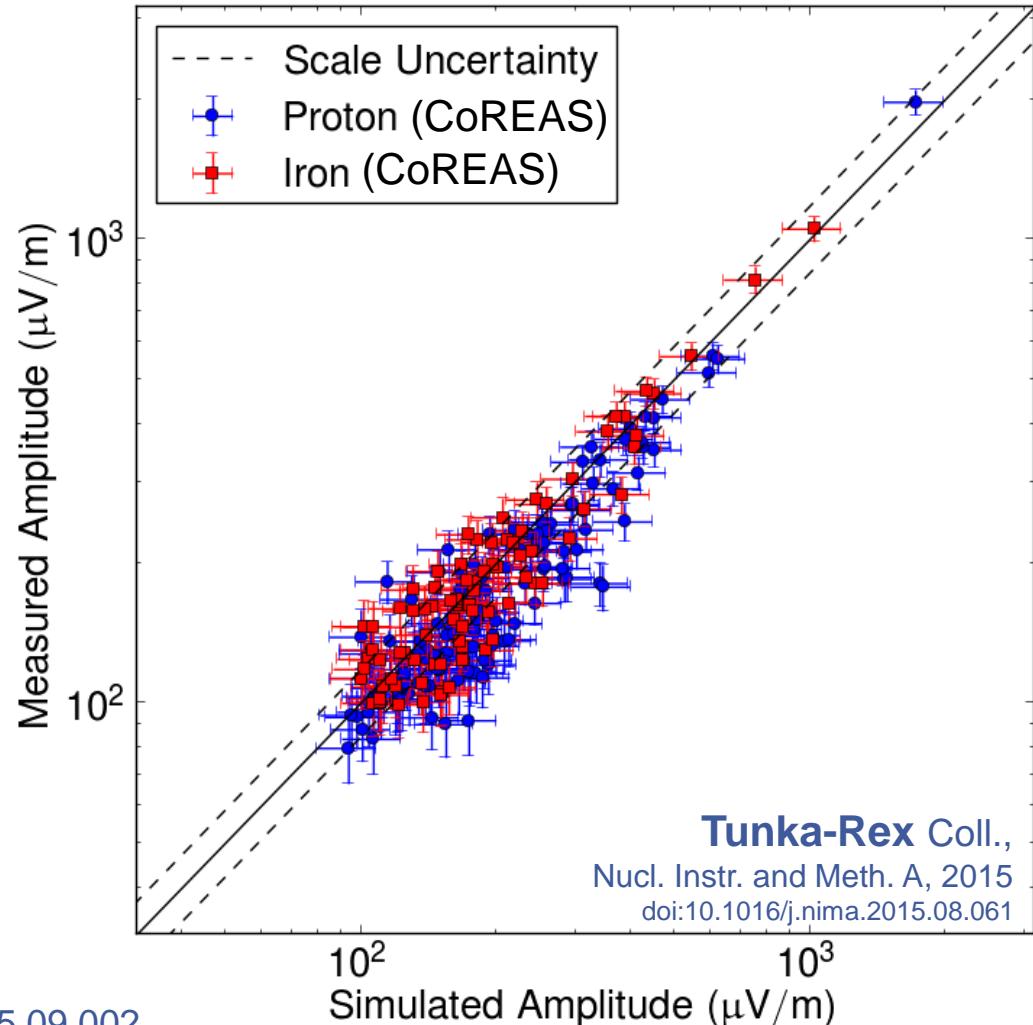
everything negligible?

# CoREAS vs. Tunka-Rex

- CORSIKA simulations with energy and  $X_{\max}$  of Tunka-133 measurement
- 20% scale uncertainty on radio amplitude
- Data/MC
  - 0.84 for proton
  - 0.96 for iron
- Difference due to „invisible energy“ in the muonic component?

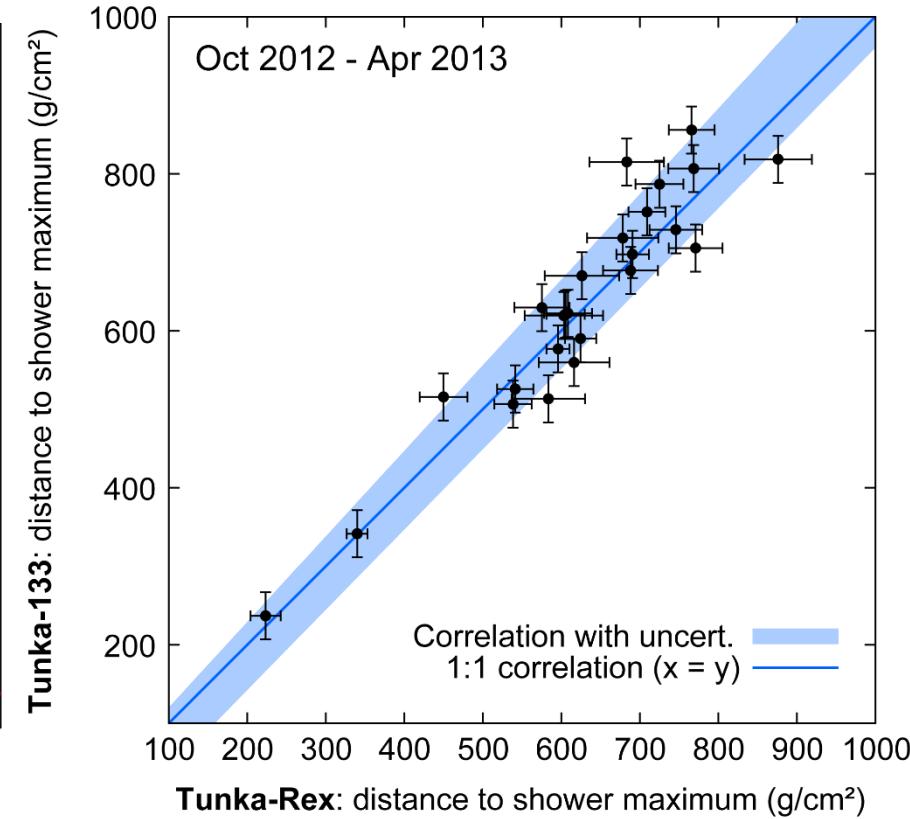
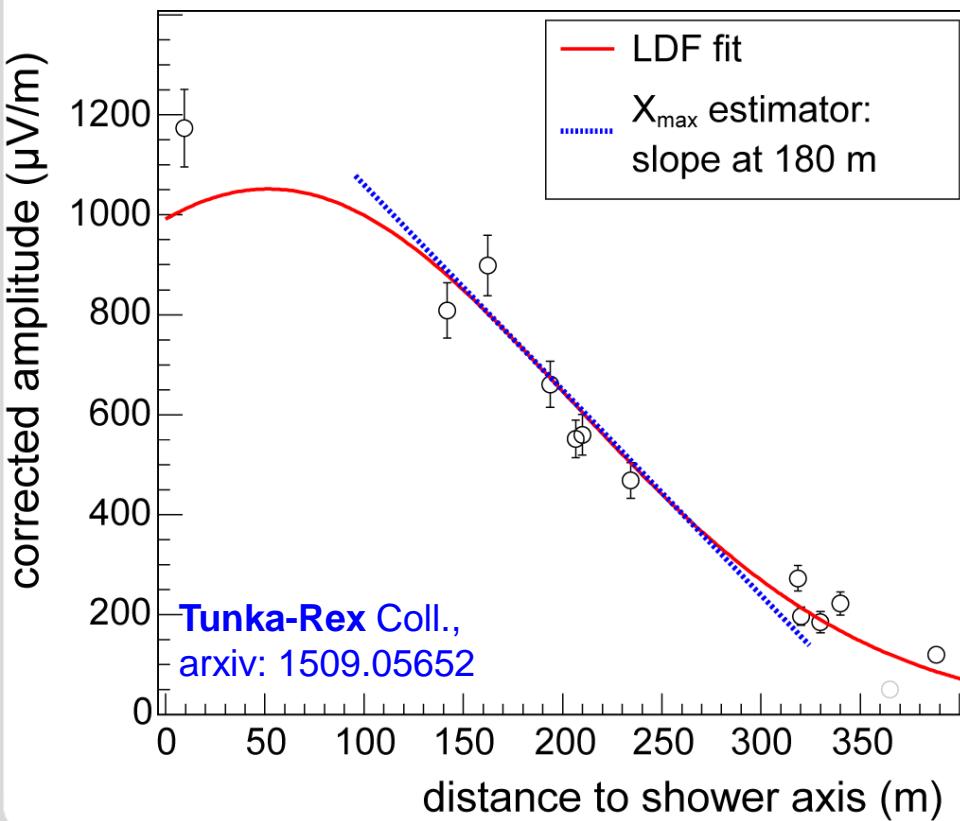
[LOPES Coll., doi:10.1016/j.astropartphys.2015.09.002](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.astropartphys.2015.09.002)

Data/MC: 0.98 for proton, 1.09 for iron



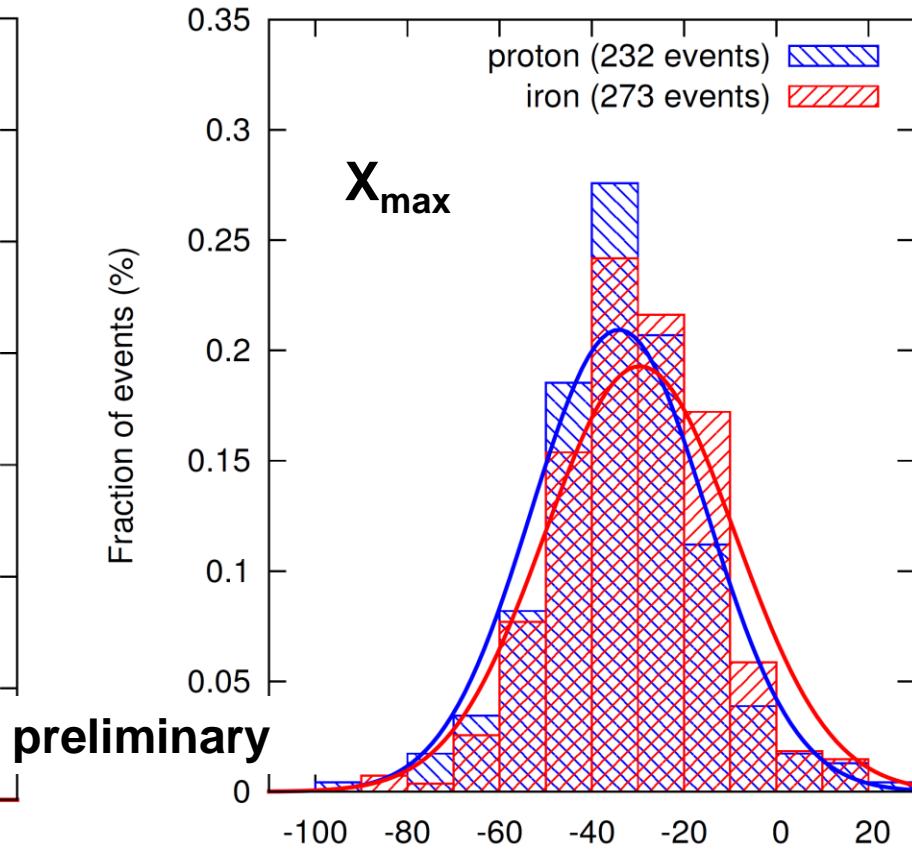
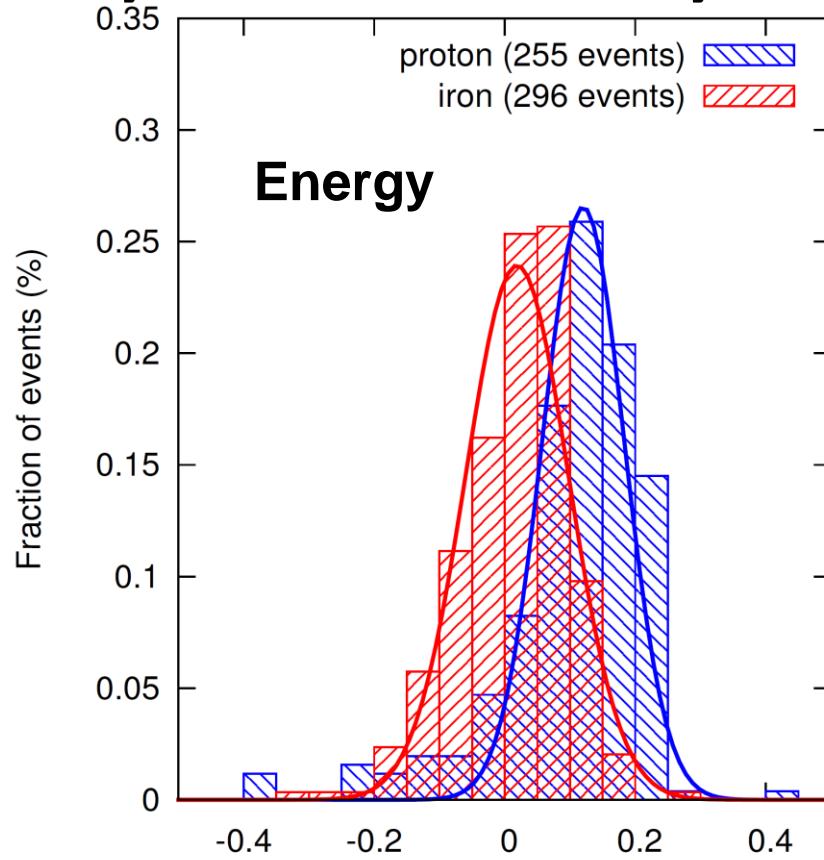
# Shower maximum: proof by Tunka-Rex

- Sparse (200 m distance) and economic radio array
- Correlation of radio and air-Cherenkov measurements
  - Tunka-Rex accuracy with ~ 5-10 antennas:  $40 \text{ g/cm}^2$



# Mass-dependent systematics

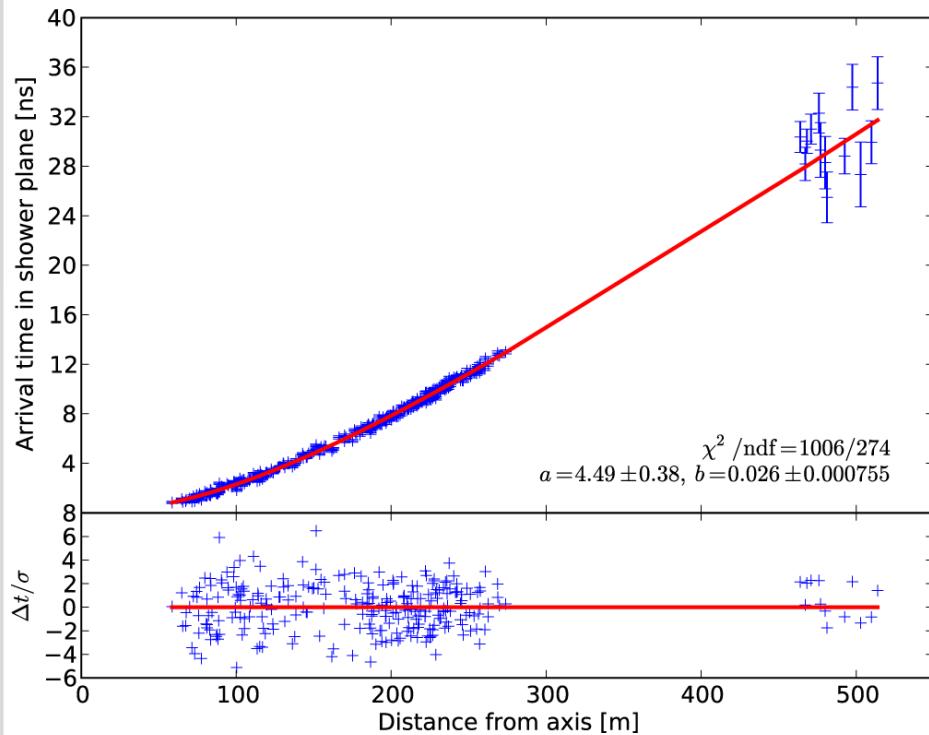
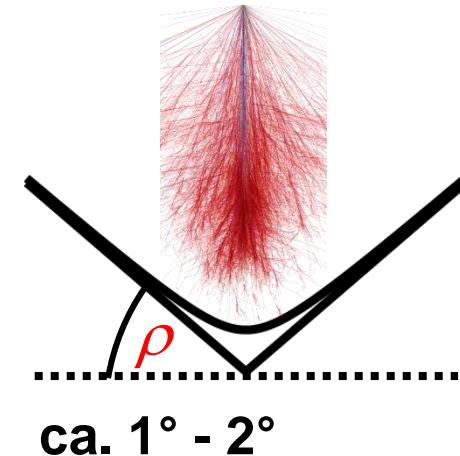
- Not only energy, but also  $X_{\max}$  reconstruction affected
- Systematic uncertainty or additional mass sensitivity?



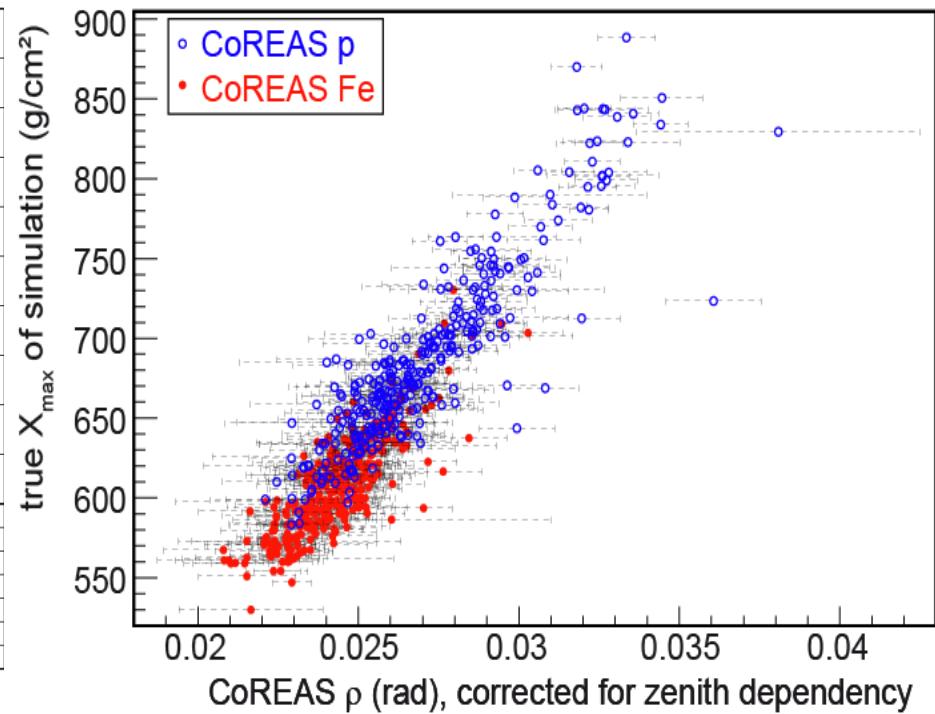
D. Kostunin  $2 * (E_{\text{pr}}(\text{rec.}) - E_{\text{pr}}(\text{true})) / (E_{\text{pr}}(\text{rec.}) + E_{\text{pr}}(\text{true}))$

# Wavefront

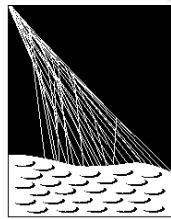
- Simulated  $X_{\max}$  dependence differs for proton and iron by few percent



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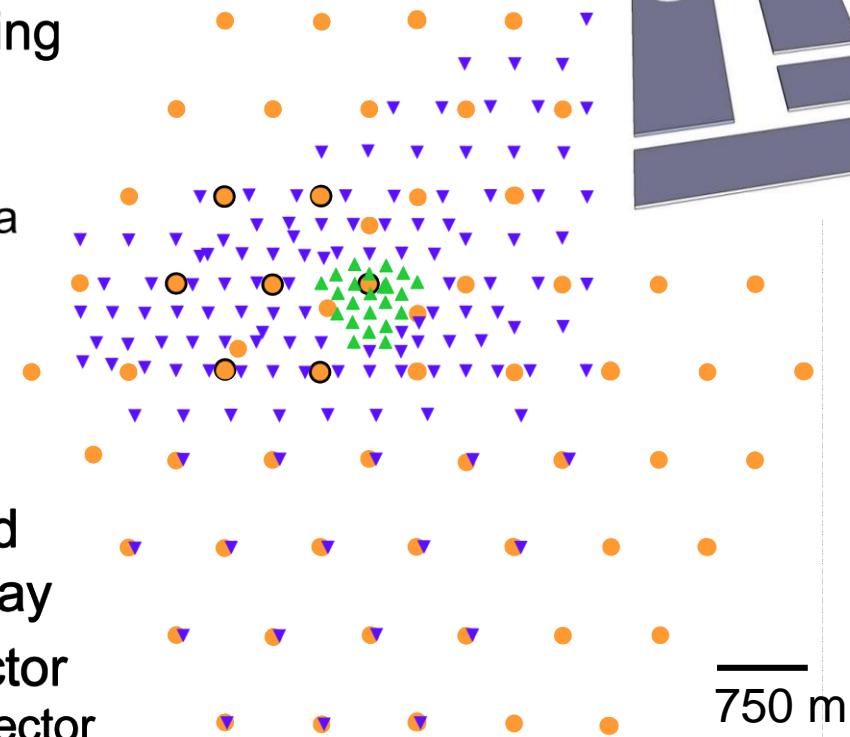
# Combining Radio + Muons

## ■ Pierre Auger enhancements

- 153 antenna station on 17 km<sup>2</sup>
- surface and underground detectors

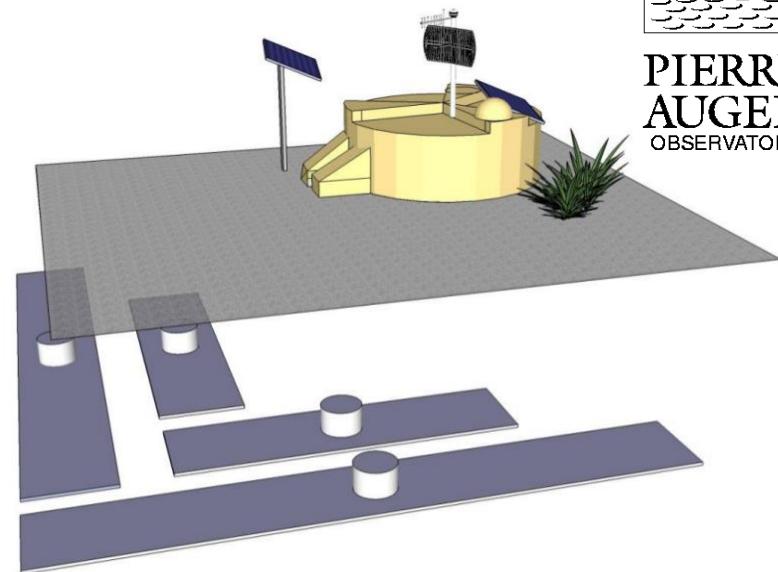
### Auger Engineering Radio Array

- ▲ LPDA antenna
- ▼ Butterfly antenna



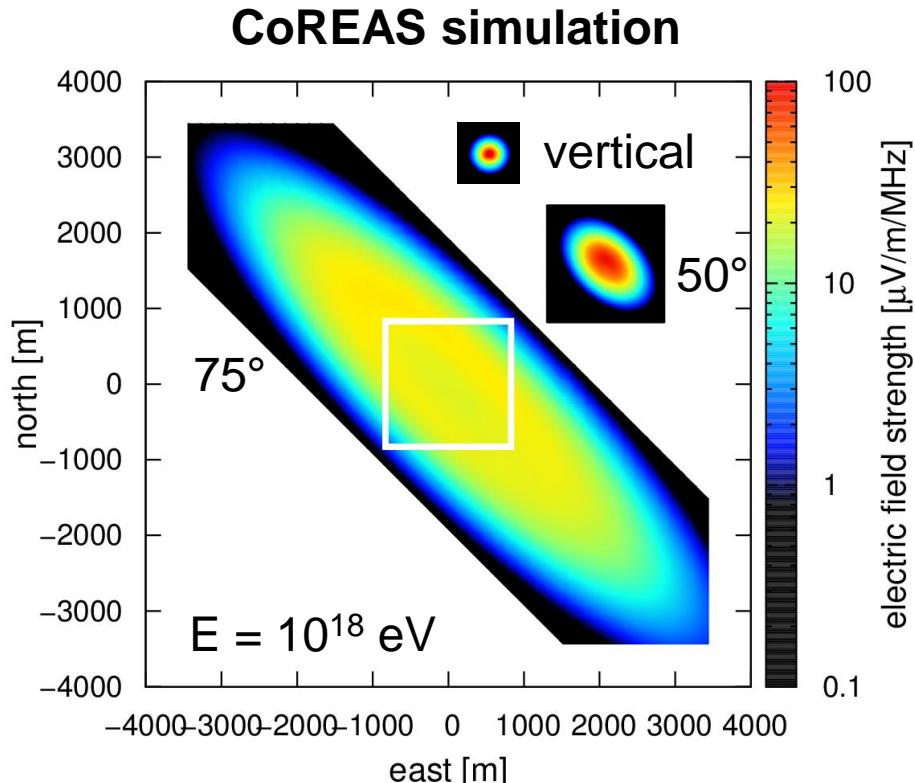
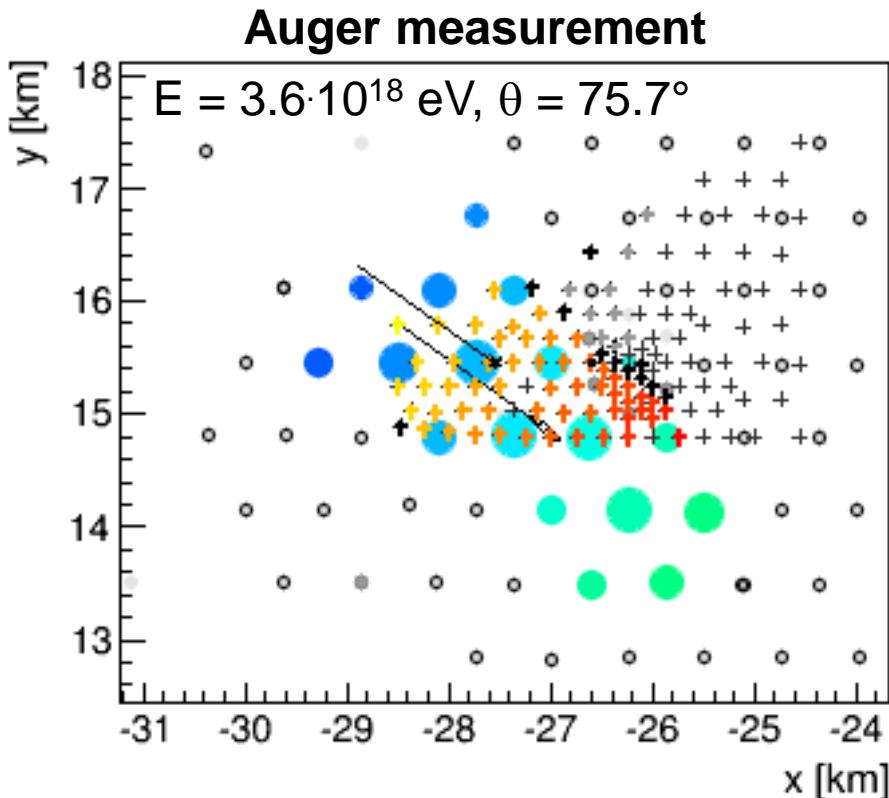
### Auger Muon and Infill Ground Array

- Surface Detector
- with Muon Detector

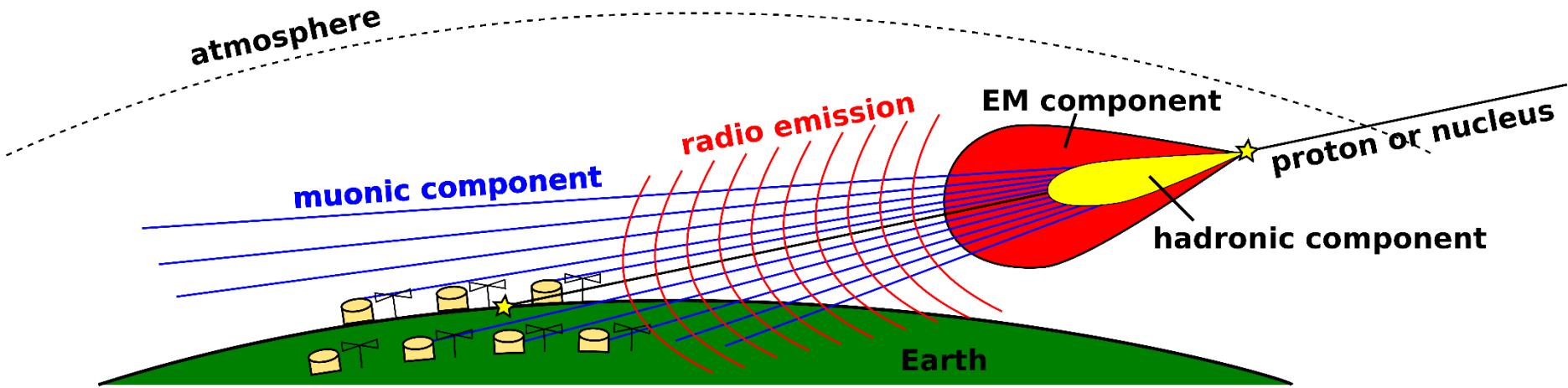


# Huge footprint for inclined showers

- Sparse antenna spacing feasible for inclined showers
  - Radio becomes applicable to largest scales for reasonable costs



# Radio ideal for inclined showers



- Electrons and photons attenuate in atmosphere
- Only muons and radio emission survives (no absorption)
  - Complementary information on shower → primary particle type

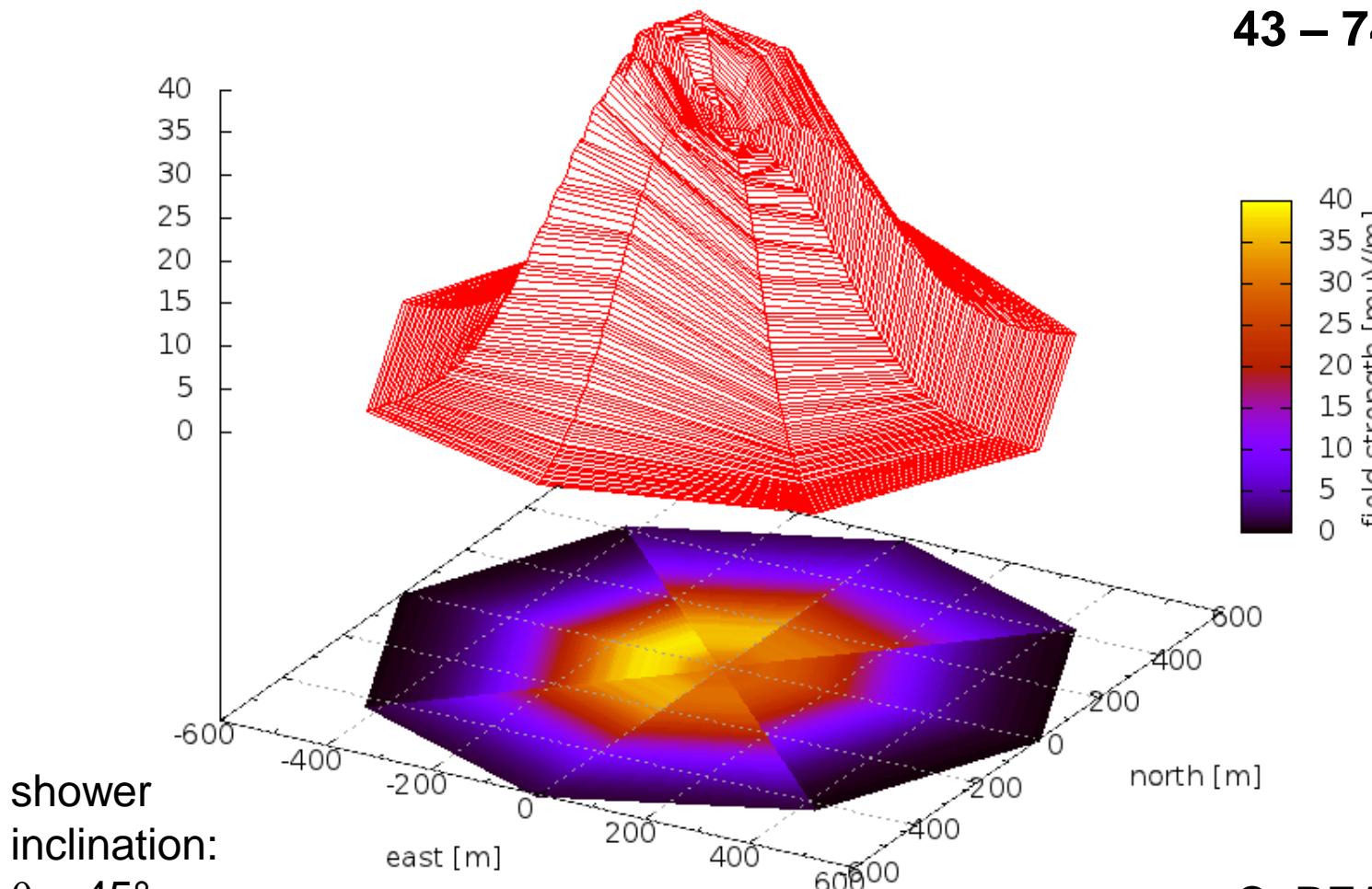
# Conclusion

- Simulations consistently agree with measurements
  - radio emission understood to at least 10-20 % accuracy
  - proton vs. iron ~ 10 % influence on amplitude
- Smaller effects of few percent on other observables
  - could be exploited to boost mass reconstruction at ultra precise arrays (~ 10,000 antennas)
- Alternative: Muon measurements + Radio
  - determine fraction of primary energy invisible in radio
  - increase mass sensitivity by complementary information

# Backup

# Asymmetric lateral distribution

43 – 74 MHz

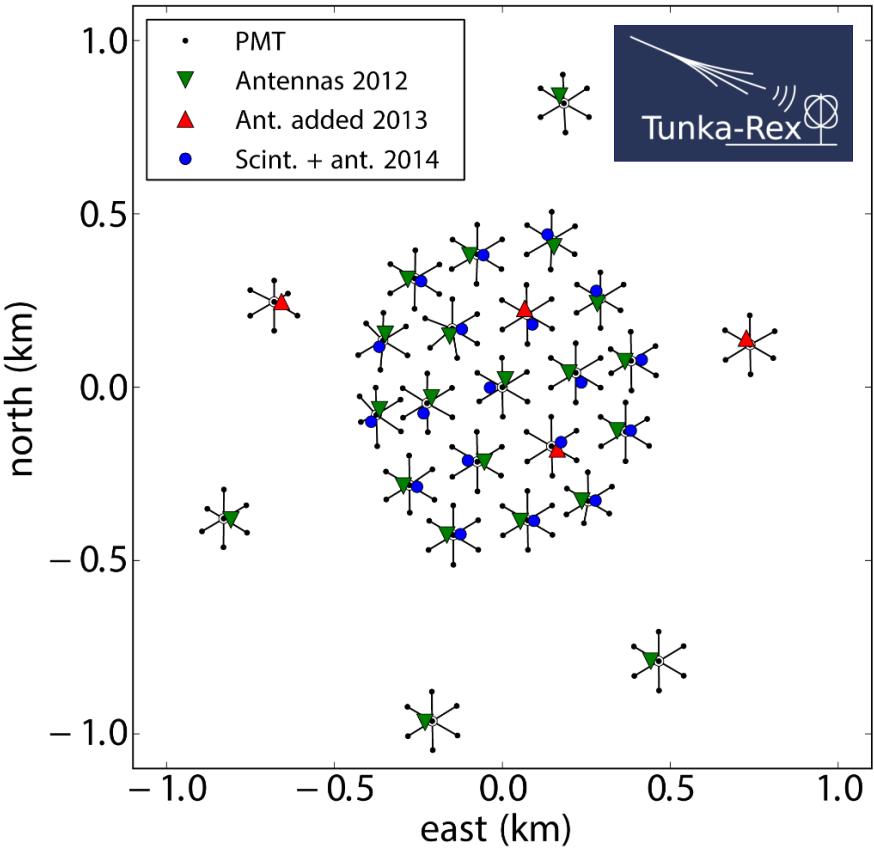


T. Huege et al., ARENA2012

**CoREAS** simulation for  
 LOPES experiment

# Tunka-Rex in Siberia close to Lake Baikal

- SALLA antennas, 30 - 80 MHz
- Cross-calibration with co-located air-Cherenkov detector
  - Precision and absolute scale of energy and shower maximum



# Tunka-Rex example event

