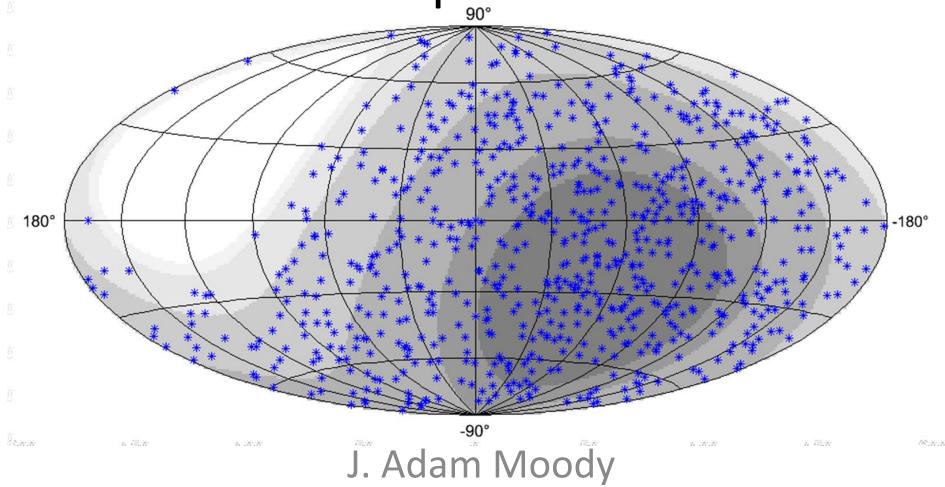
# Cosmic Accelerators Update



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#### Overview

• Up to 2003

- "New" data
  - Analysis and conclusions

Future work

#### Summary

- What is source of UHECRs?
- Possibility of non GZK suppressed particles?
- Considered sources
  - AGN
  - Supernovae
  - Pulsars, etc
- Experimental
  - Auger, HiRes, AGASA
  - Ground, Air

#### **New Data**

Majority of new data: Auger

~55 new events > 50 x 10<sup>20</sup> eV
 (50 Eev)

Air fluorescence detector with activated phototubes

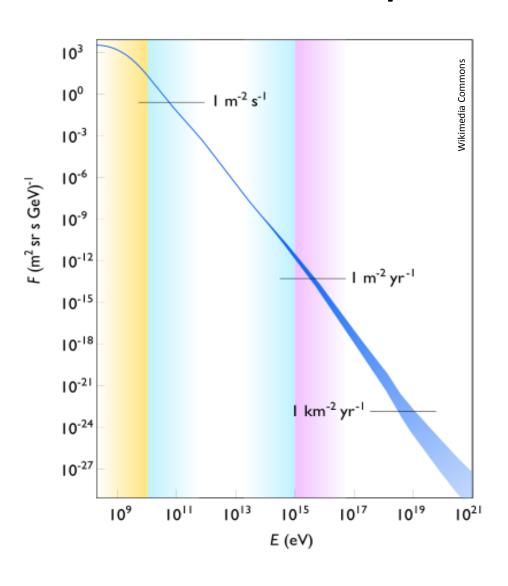
Cerenkov tanks

 Preliminary Auger analysis indicated correlation



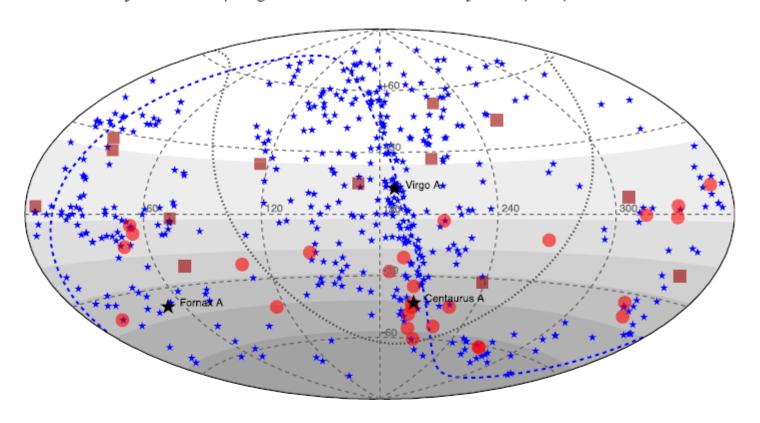
Pierre Auger Observatory, Argentina

## Reminder / New points



## Map of observed UHECRs

J. Blümer et al. / Progress in Particle and Nuclear Physics 63 (2009) 293–338



 Correlation may exist between large scale matter structures...but not definitive

## Continuing analysis

- Comparison & integration with different data sets
  - AGASA
  - Auger Period I & II
    - Different periods of operation
  - HiRes
  - Others



#### Current viewpoint

 Correlation with matter distribution in local neighborhood (cosmologically)

AGN correlation not confirmed, but remains possibility

#### Possible sources?

AGN

Radio Galaxies

Cosmic rays passing by SNRs?

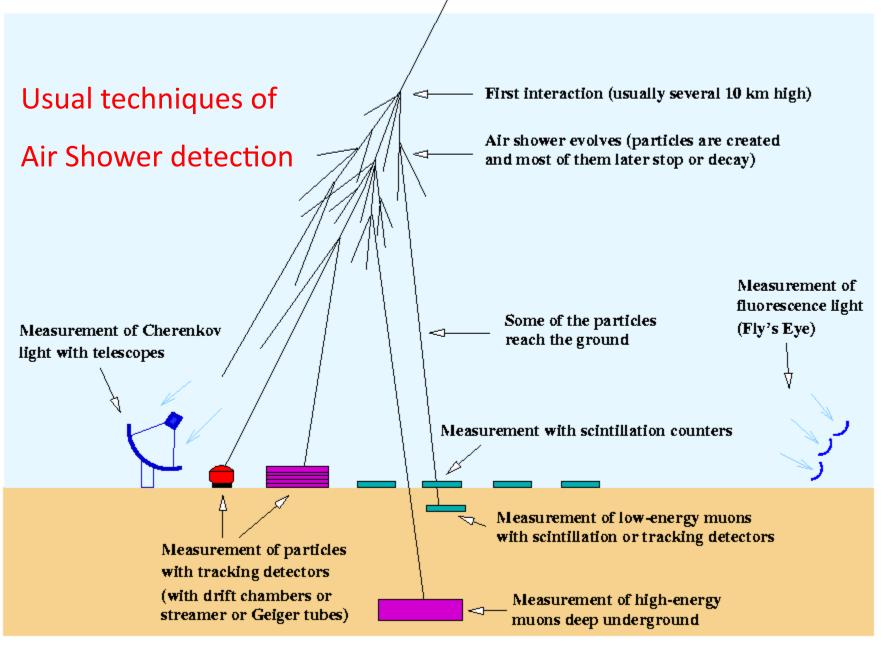
 Exotic matter decay (cryptons, dark matter decay)?

### Future experimental work

- Auger North
  - Larger data set will allow for more statistical certainty; scarcity of data still a concern.
  - "Local" distribution of matter different as viewed in northern hemisphere
- Radio

Space

# Questions?



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