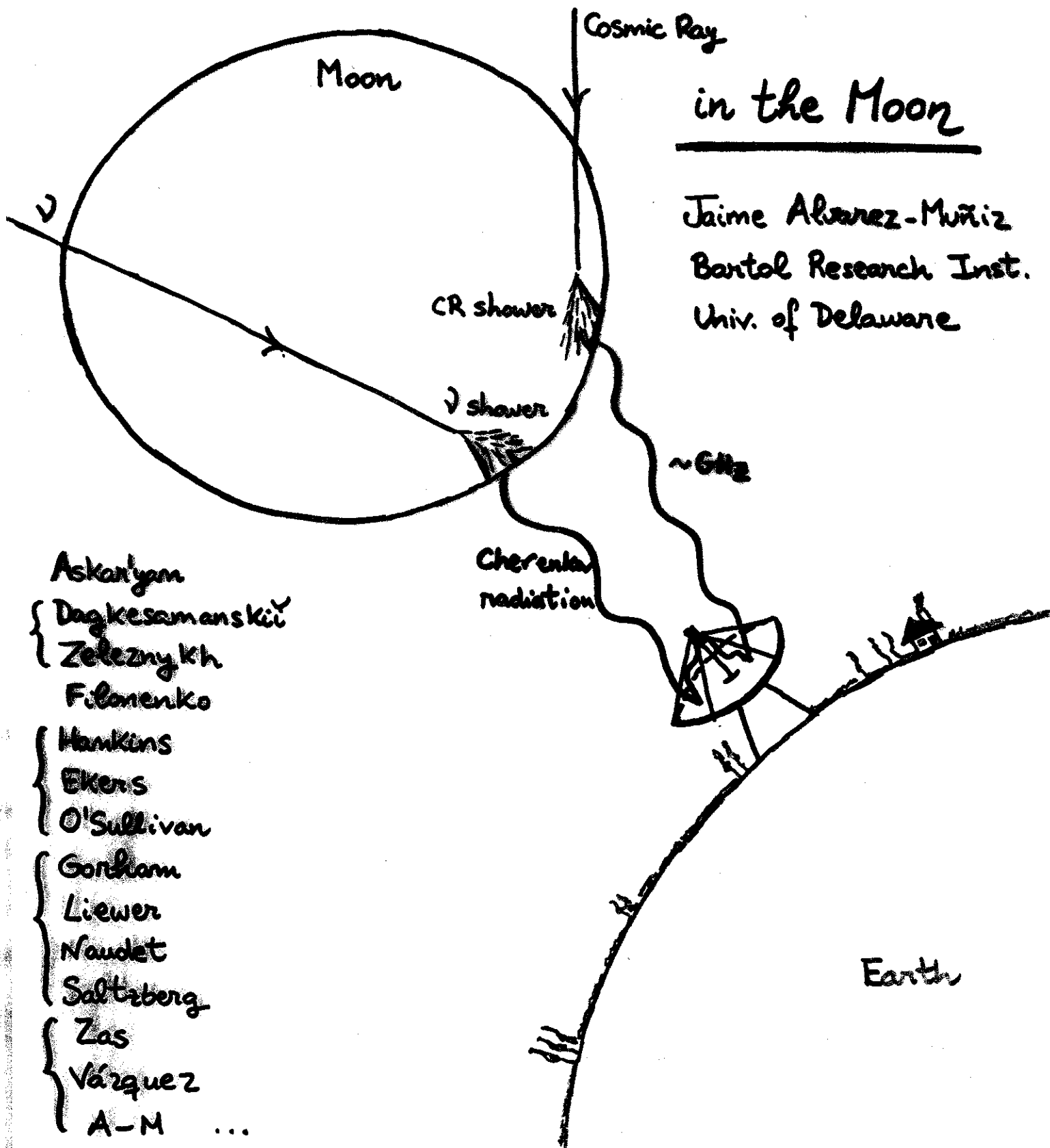


# Radio Detection of EHE particles

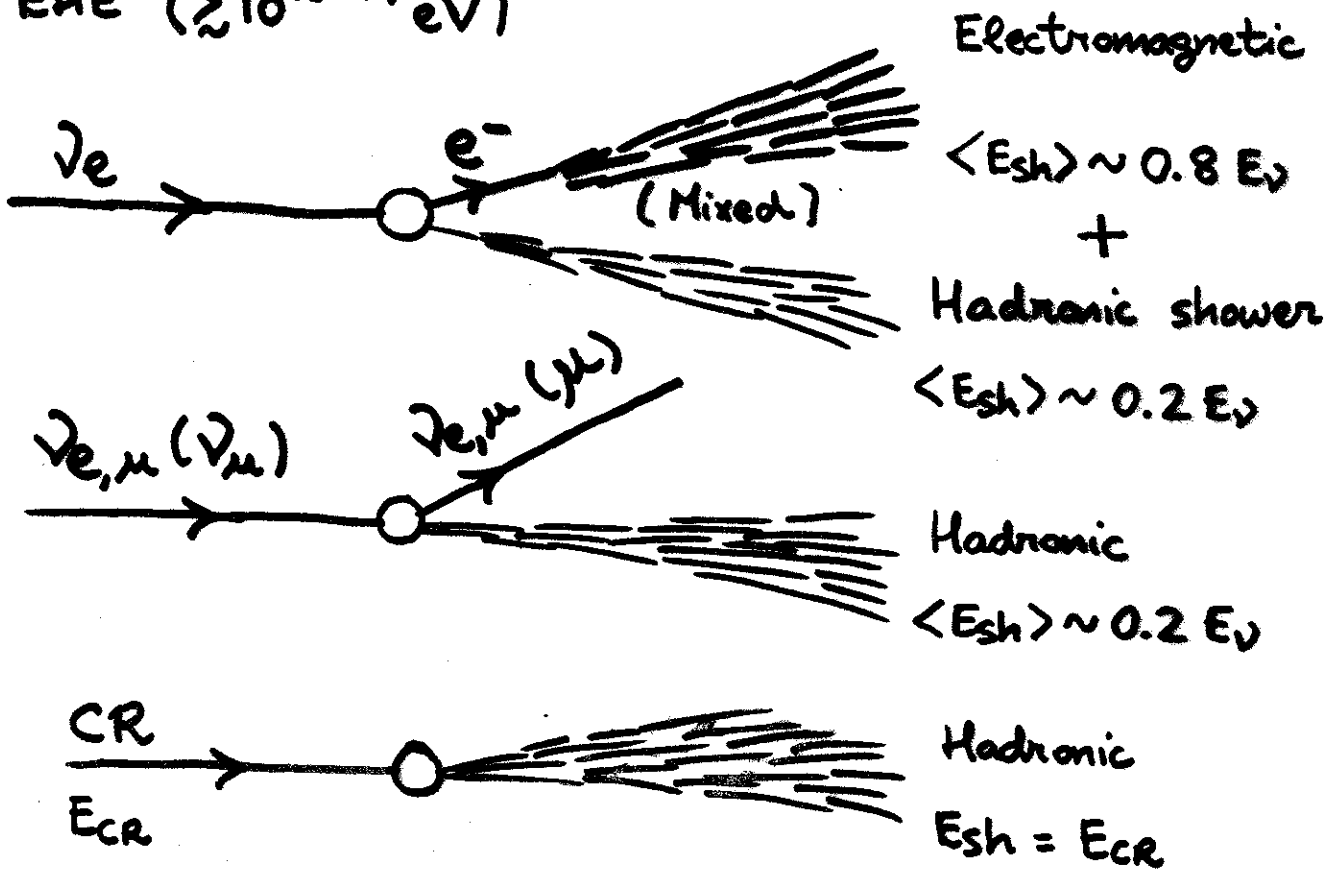


# Outline

1. - Radiopulses from EHE  $\gamma$  and CR showers in the Moon: Energy threshold.
2. - Aperture of the Moon:
  - CR showers
  - $\gamma$  showers  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \gamma_e \text{ Charged Current DIS (CC)} \\ \gamma_n \text{ Neutral Current DIS (NC)} \\ \gamma_\mu \text{ CC + NC} \end{array} \right.$
3. CR and  $\gamma$  event rates.
4. Improvements to the calculation.  
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Conclusions.

# Radiopulses from EHE showers in the Moon

At EHE ( $\geq 10^{18-19}$  eV)



## Coherent Cherenkov Radiation

Excess of  $\ominus$  charge in the electromagnetic comp.

{ Compton, Bhabha, Möller  $\rightarrow$  pull out atomic  $e^-$   
 { Annihilation of  $e^+$

$$\Delta q^- \sim 20-25\% N_{e^-+e^+}$$

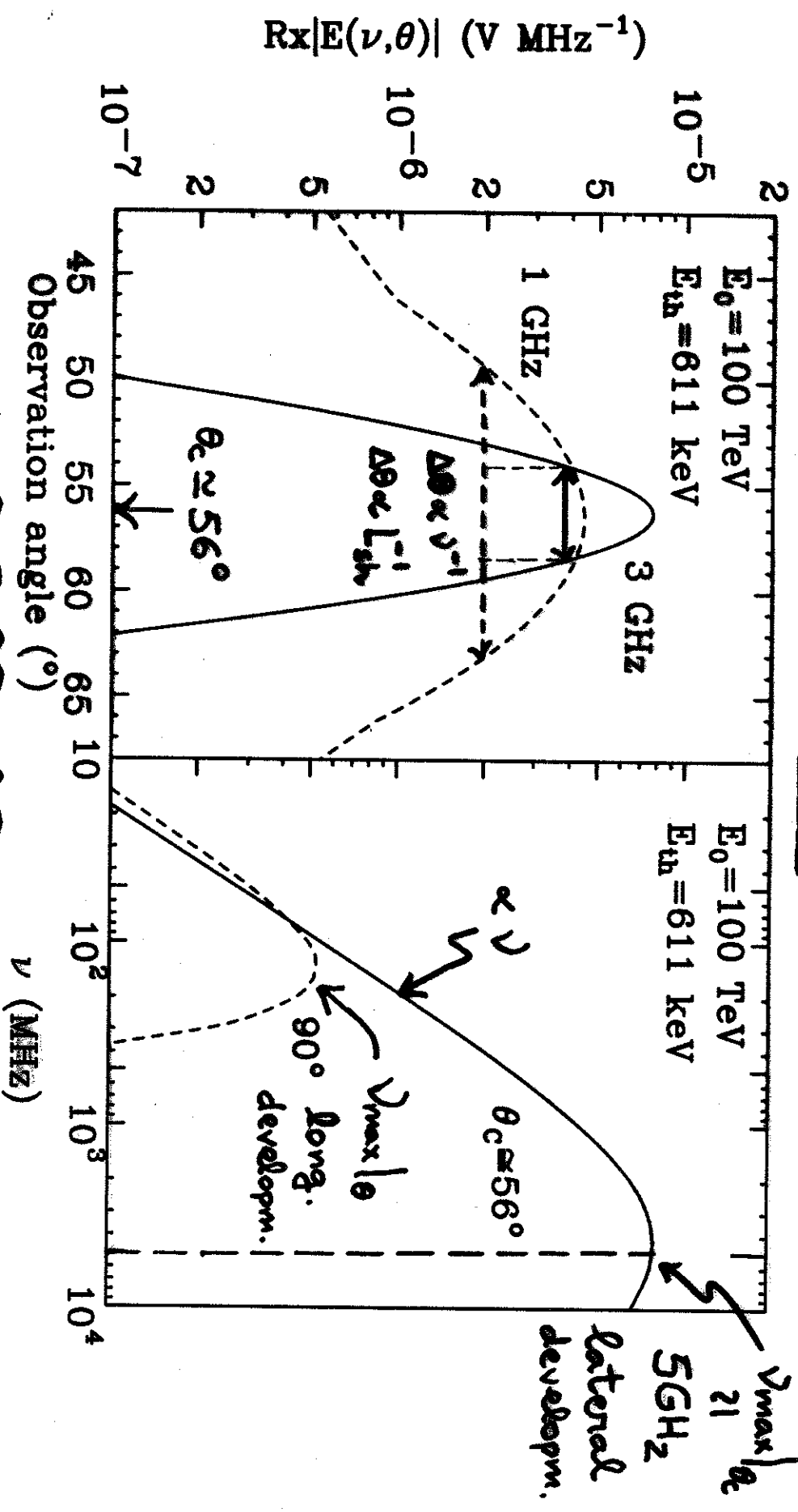
Hadronic showers:  $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$   $E_{elem} \sim 90\% E_{shower}$

# Electromagnetic

## Showers

Radiopulses in the Moon MC ZHS adapted

ICE → NOON



$$R|E(\nu, R, \theta_c)| = 1.57 \times 10^{-7} \frac{E_{electr.}}{1 \text{ TeV}} \left[ \frac{1}{1 + (\nu/\nu_0)^{1.55}} \right] \frac{\nu}{\nu_0} \text{ V} \cdot \text{MHz}^{-1}$$

$$\nu_0 = 2830 \text{ MHz}$$

# Electromagnetic showers

When  $E_{\text{shower}} > E_{\text{LPM}} \sim 400 \text{ TeV}$

LPM effect

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} e^- \text{ brems} \\ \lambda_{\text{int}} \propto \sqrt{E_{e^-}} \quad (\propto 1/\log E_e) \\ \text{pair} \\ \lambda_{\text{int}} \propto \sqrt{E_\gamma} \quad (\propto \sim \text{constant}) \\ \text{with } E_\gamma \end{array} \right. \quad \begin{array}{l} @ E < E_{\text{LPM}} \\ \uparrow \\ \downarrow \end{array}$$

↓

$$\text{Shower length} \propto E_{\text{shower}}^{1/3}$$

↓

$$\Delta\theta \propto L_{\text{shower}}^{-1} \propto E_{\text{shower}}^{-1/3}$$

(scaling of  $\Delta\theta$  ice results  $\rightarrow$  Moon)

$\hookrightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} X_0 |_{\text{Moon}} \\ E_{\text{Moon}} \end{array} \right.$

Hadronic showers

$R|\vec{E}|_{\text{Moon}} \rightarrow \text{normal.}$

Normalization  $\rightarrow R|\vec{E}|_{\text{Moon}}$  with  $E_{\text{electr.}} \sim 90\% E_{\text{sh}}$

LPM effect is mitigated

$$E_{\pi^0} \gtrsim E_{\pi^0} \approx 2 \text{ PeV}; \quad \pi^0 \rightarrow 2\gamma$$

Suppression of  $\gamma$ 's with  $E > E_{\text{LPM}}$

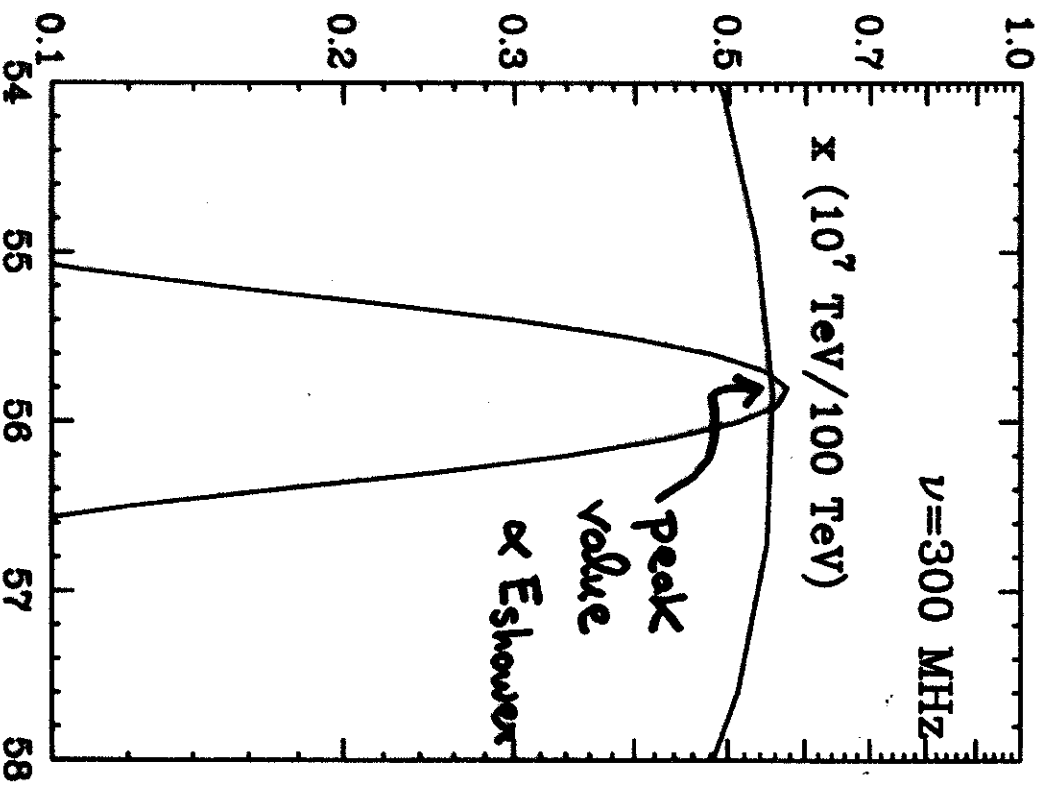
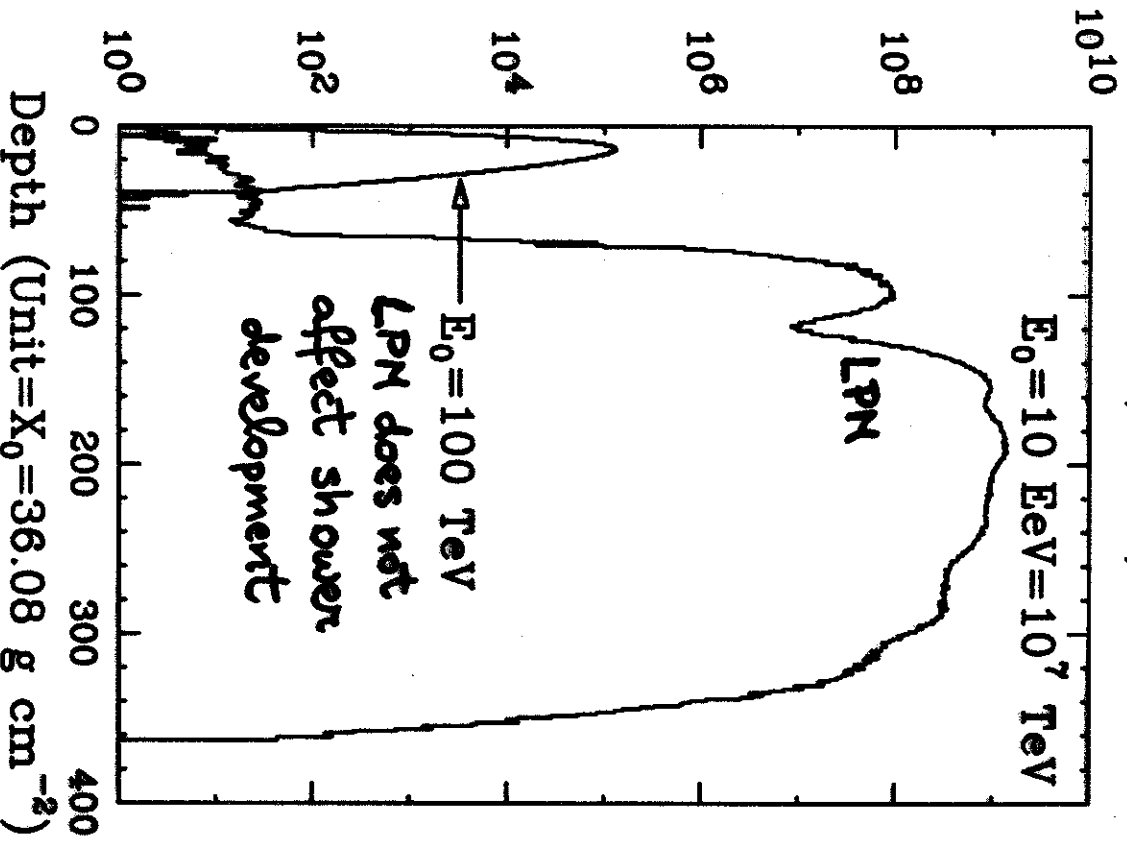
(scaling of  $\Delta\theta$  ice  $\rightarrow$  Moon;  $E_{\pi^0|\text{ice}} \sim 7 \text{ PeV} \approx E_{\pi^0|\text{Moon}}$ )

$E_{LPN \text{ ice}} \sim 2 \text{ PeV}$

$N(e^- + e^+)$

ICE

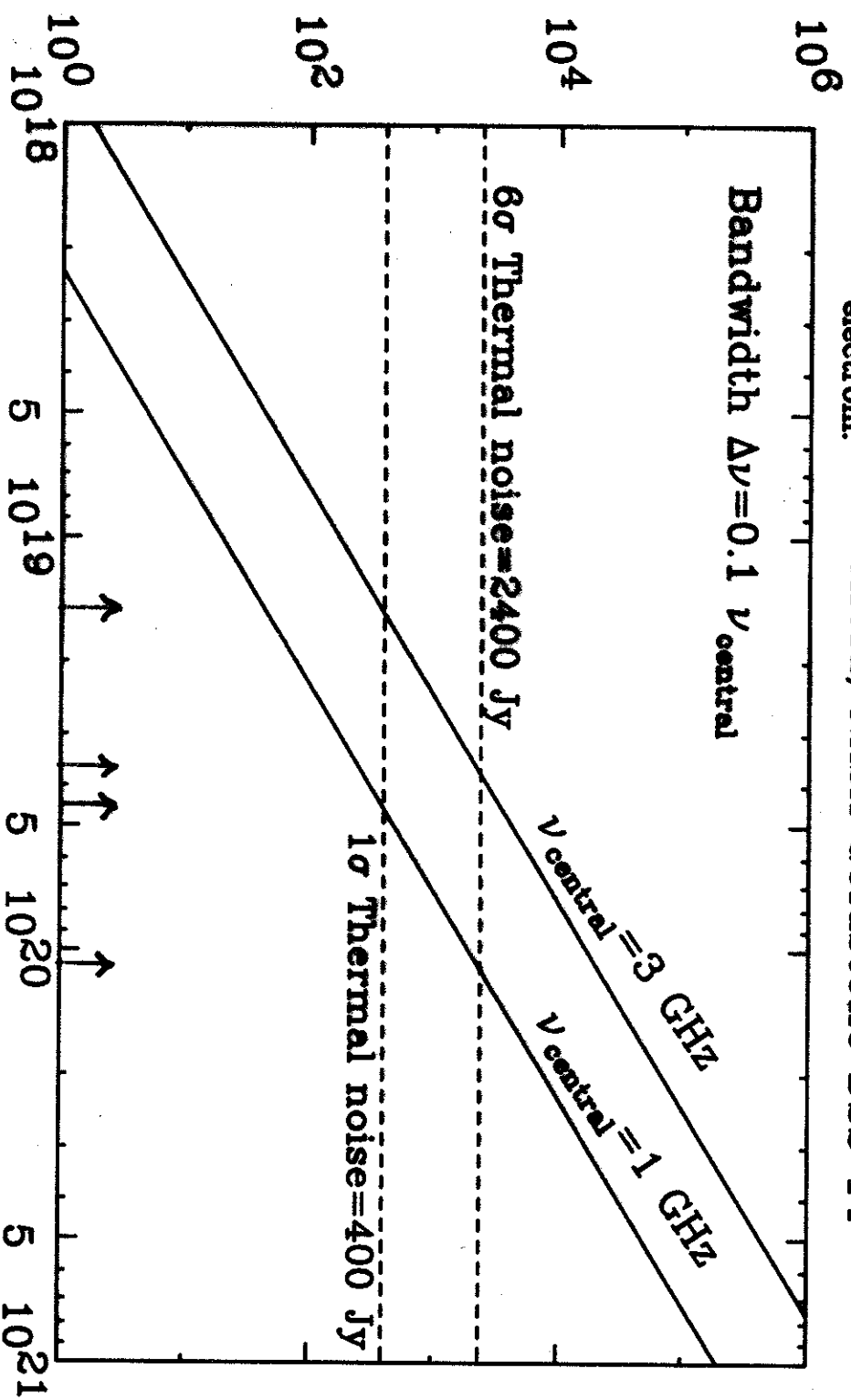
$Rx|E(\nu, \theta)| \text{ (V MHz}^{-1}\text{)}$



(Scaling  $\Rightarrow \Delta \theta_{moon} \sim \frac{X_{\text{ice}} E_{\text{moon}}}{X_{\text{moon}} \rho_{\text{ice}}} \sim 5.2 \Delta \theta_{\text{ice}}$ )

Power (Jy =  $10^{-26}$  W m<sup>-2</sup> Hz<sup>-1</sup>)

E<sub>electrom.</sub> threshold, NASA Goldstone DSS 14

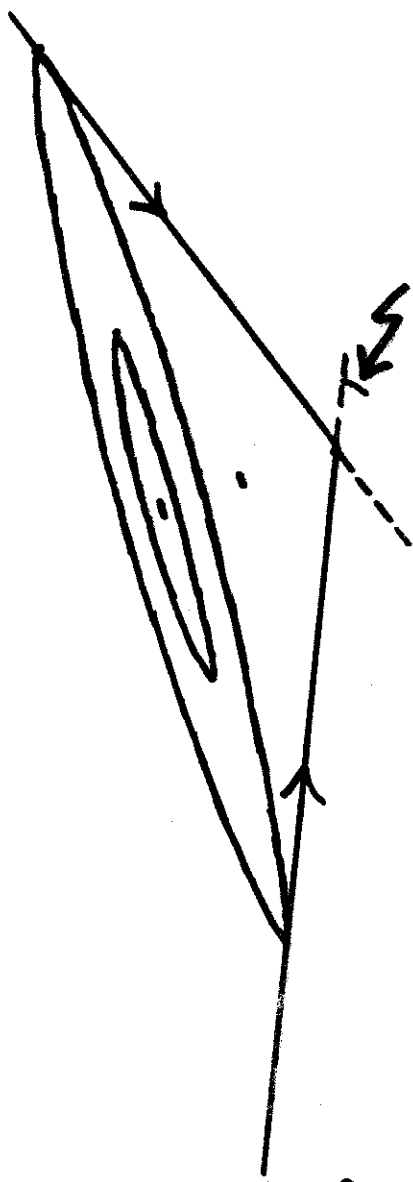


Signal  $\propto \int_{\nu_c - \frac{\Delta\nu}{2}}^{\nu_c + \frac{\Delta\nu}{2}} |R\vec{E}(\nu, R, \theta_c)|^2 d\nu / R_{Earth \rightarrow Moon}^2$

$\nu_c \leftarrow$  MC ZHS

Noise =  $2K_B T_{Antenna} / (\sqrt{\Delta t \Delta\nu} A_{telescope})$

$\Delta t \equiv$  duration of the pulse



LPM crucial role

$\Delta\theta$

more "geometrically" allowed incidence directions.

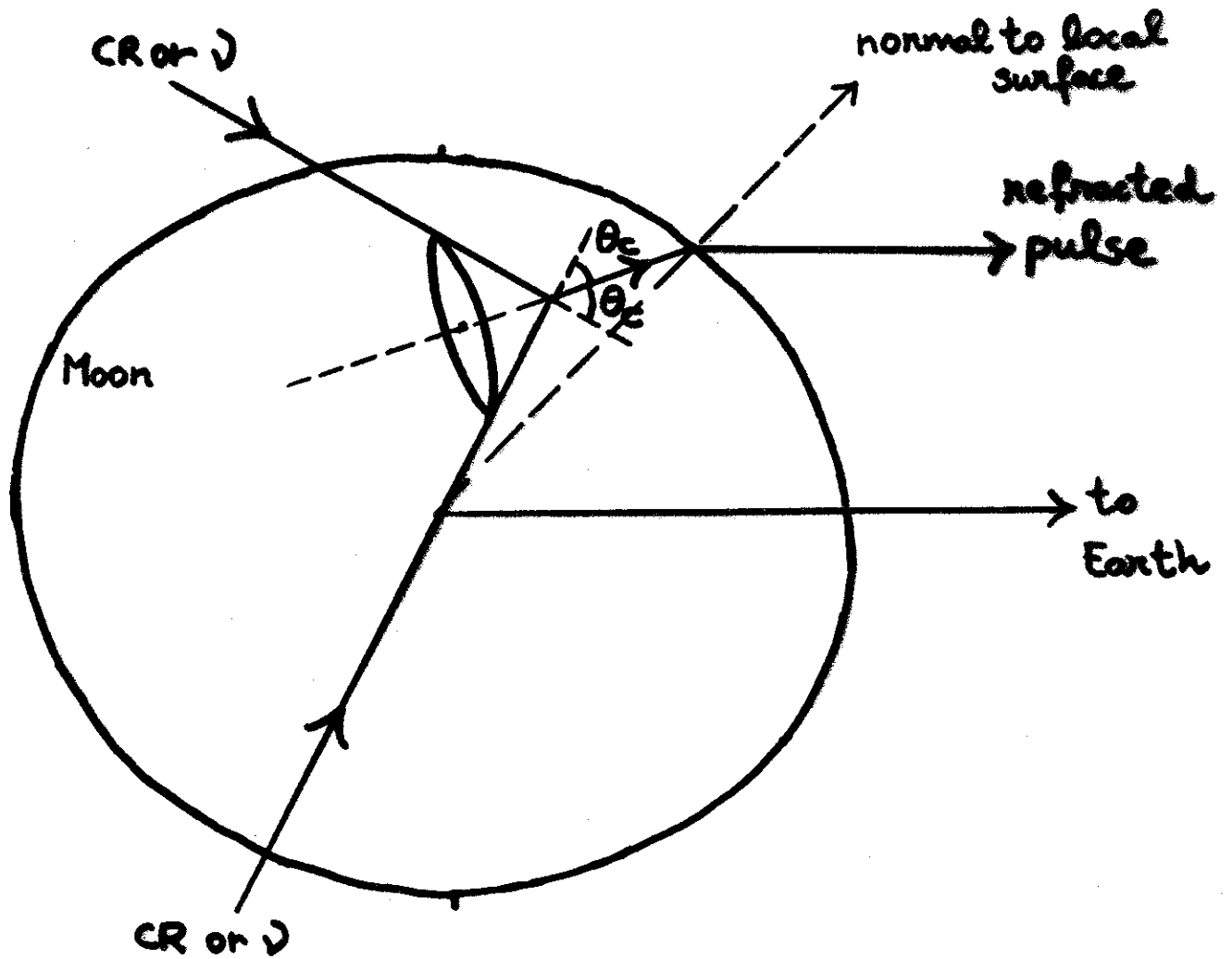
CR on D

CODE:

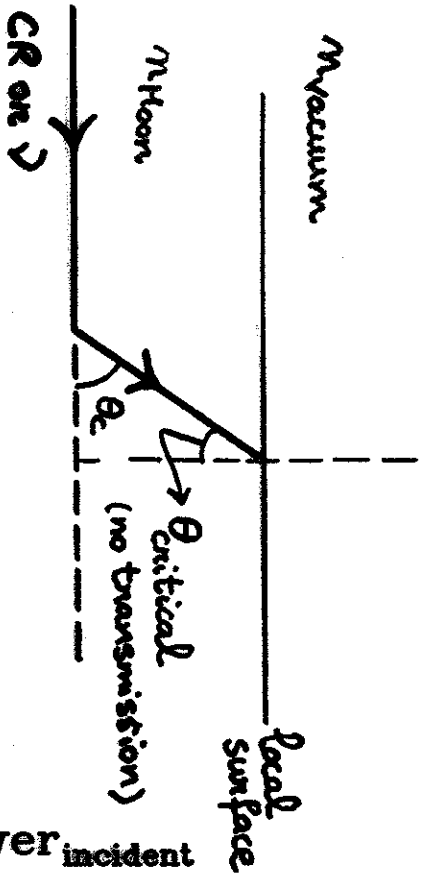
- 1) Geometrically allowed incidence directions  $\rightarrow \Omega^{\max}$
- 2) Eliminate those for which CR or D are absorbed inside the Moon.
  - CR observation  $\rightarrow$  narrow rim
  - D,  $E_D > 10 \text{ PeV}$  are absorbed.
- 3) Eliminate directions signal  $<$  noise @ Earth (For each  $E_D$  or  $E_{CR}$  and each point on the surface).



# Aperture



### Transmissivity Moon-vacuum interface

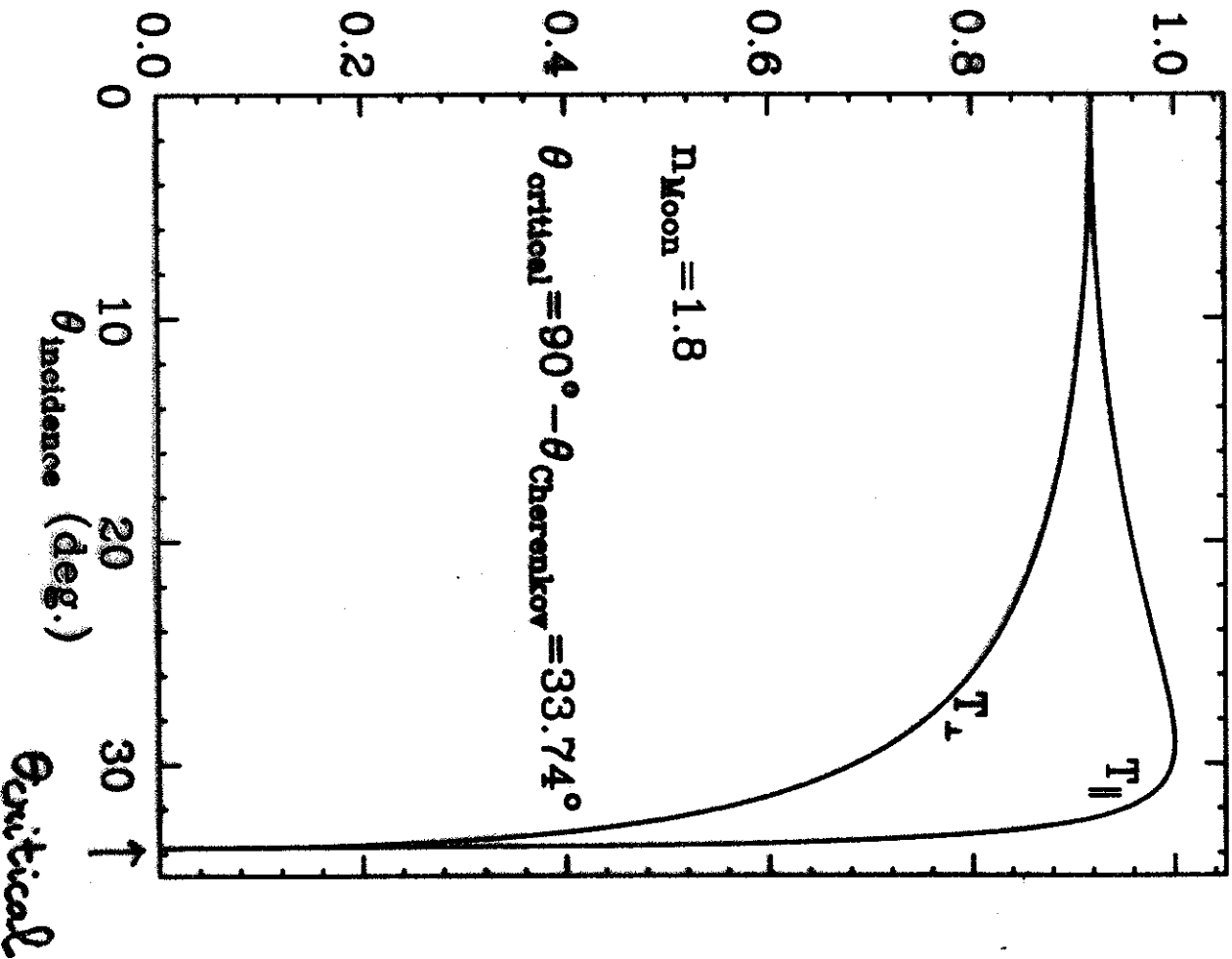


$$n_{Moon} \sin \theta_{critical} = n_{vac} \sin \frac{\pi}{2} = 1$$

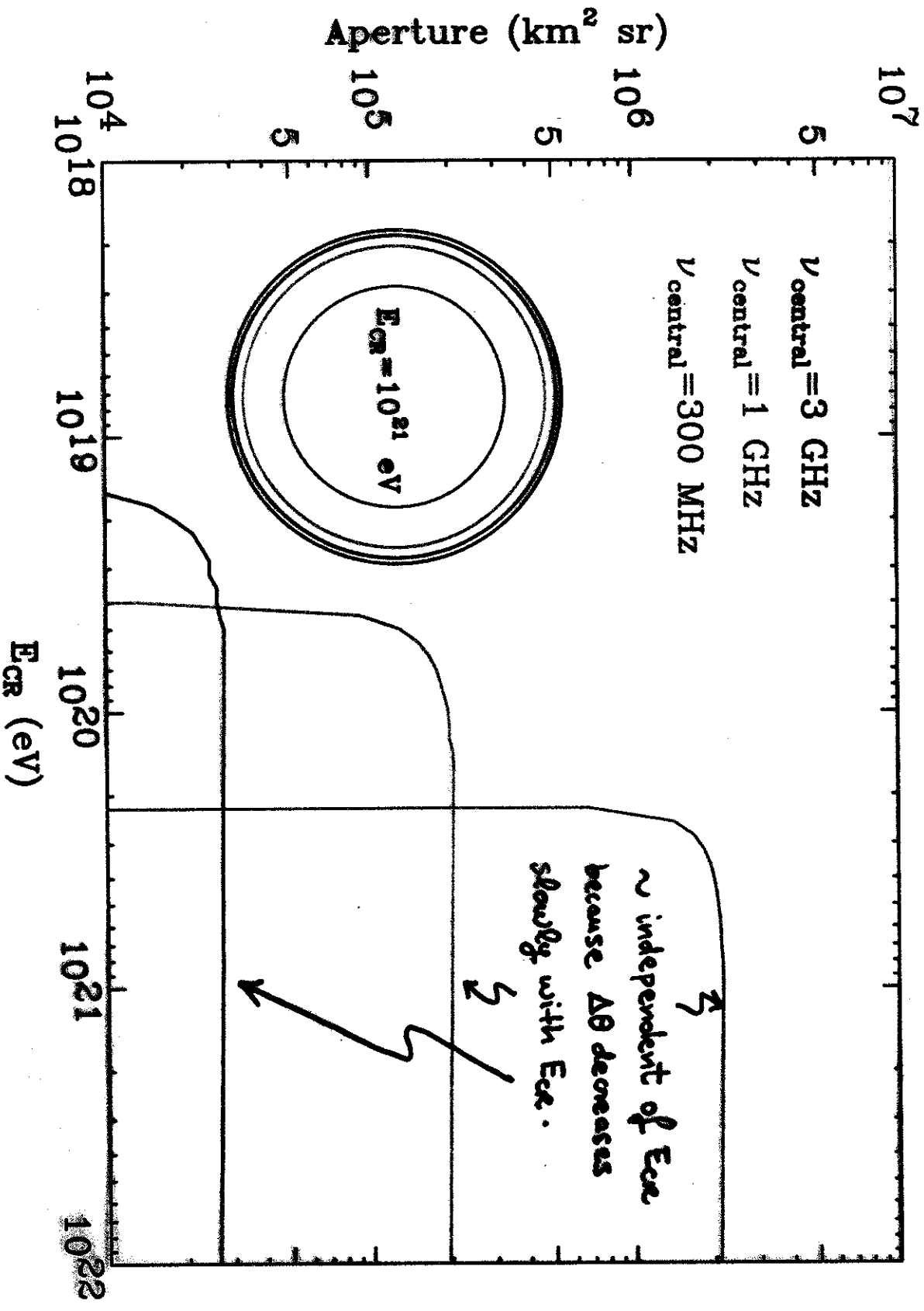
$$\sin \theta_{critical} = \frac{1}{n_{Moon}} = \cos \theta_{Cherenkov}$$

$$\theta_{critical} = \frac{\pi}{2} - \theta_{Cherenkov}$$

Power transmitted / Power incident

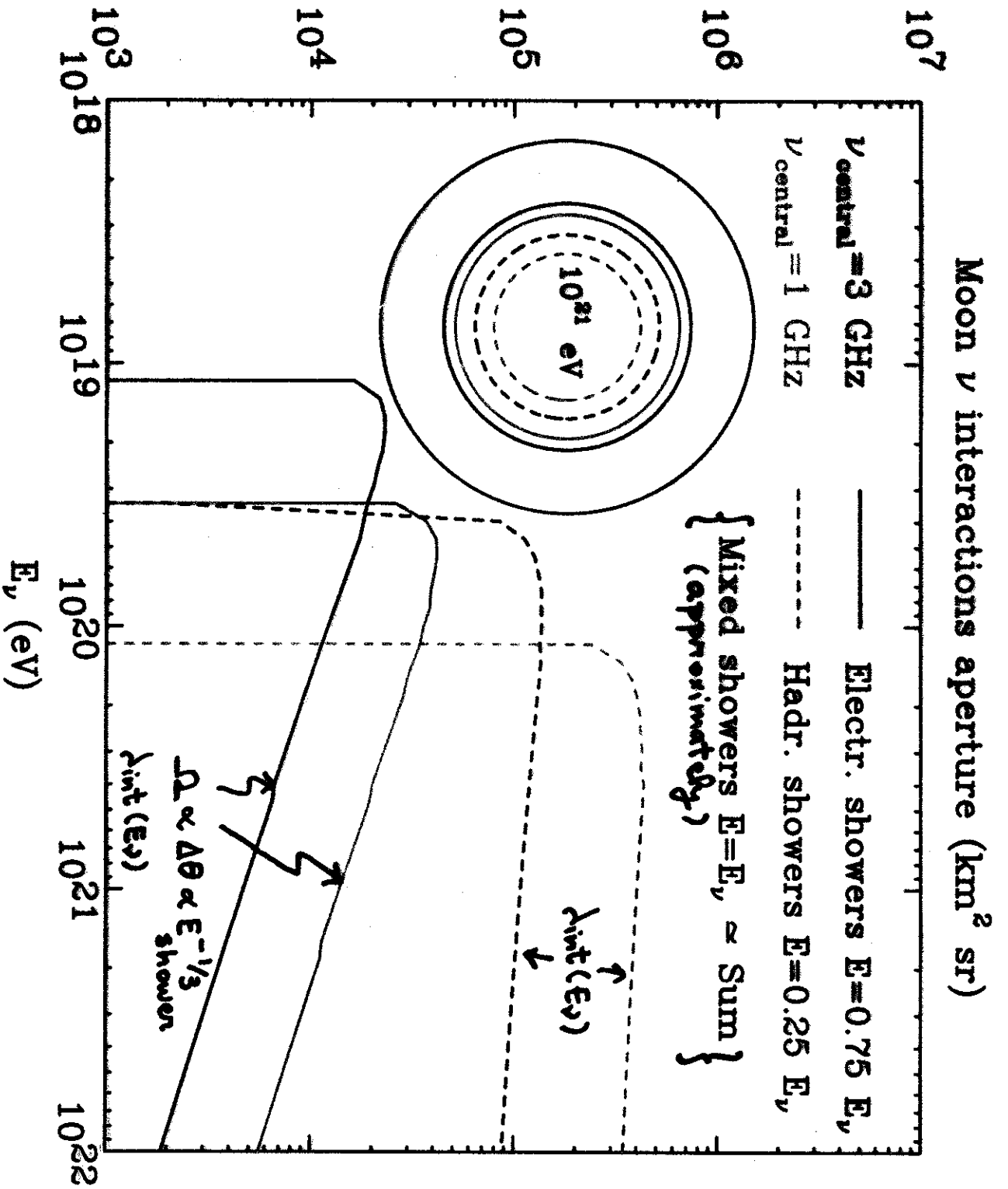


# Moon cosmic ray aperture (km<sup>2</sup> sr)



$\nu \uparrow \Rightarrow E_{\text{thresh}} \downarrow$  but  $\Omega \downarrow$  too due to  $\Delta\theta \propto \nu^{-1}$

Aperture (km<sup>2</sup> sr)



Size of rim where CR obs. is expected

$dS_{\Omega}/d(\cos\theta_{Moon})$  ( $\text{km}^2 \text{ sr}$ )

$E_{CR} = 10^{20} \text{ eV}$

300000

$E_{CR} = 10^{21} \text{ eV}$

200000

$E_{CR} = 10^{22} \text{ eV}$

100000

$\theta_{Moon} = \pi/2$

70000

50000

30000

20000

0.0

0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8 1.0

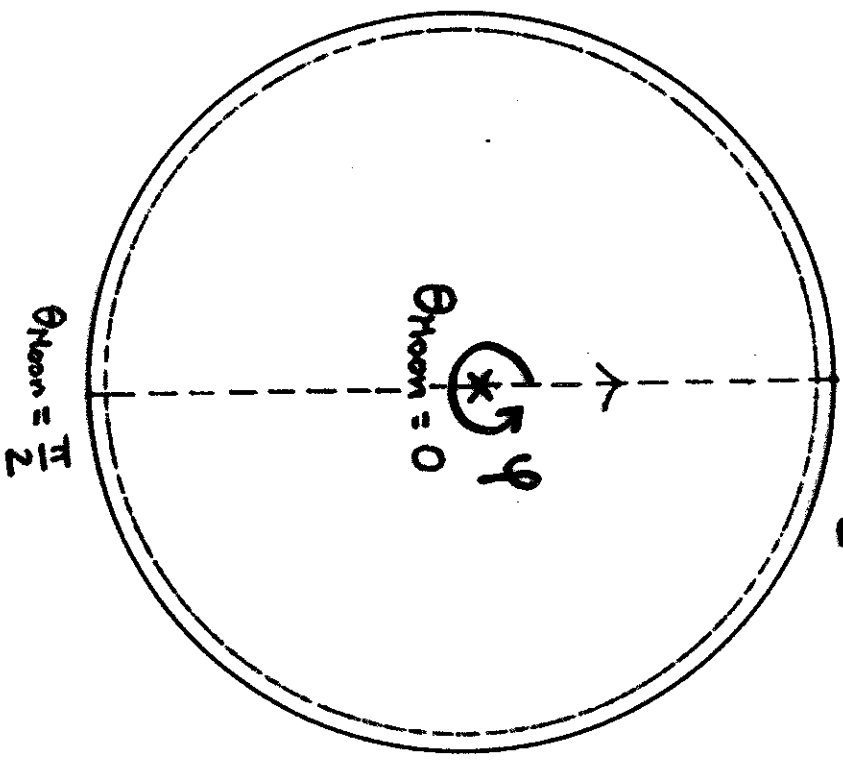
$\cos(\theta_{Moon})$

rim

center

$\theta_{Moon} = \pi/2$

$\theta_{Moon} = 0$

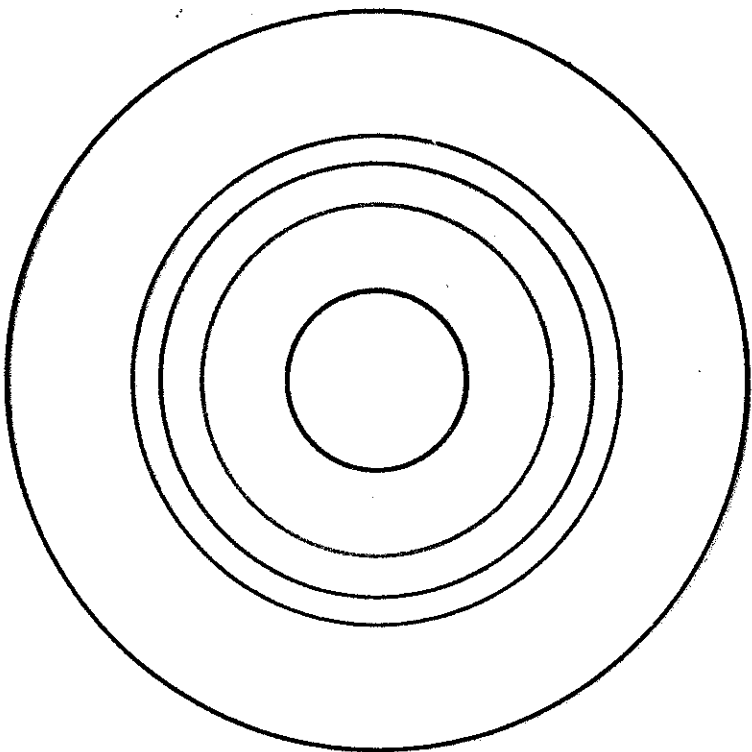


( $\psi$  symmetry)

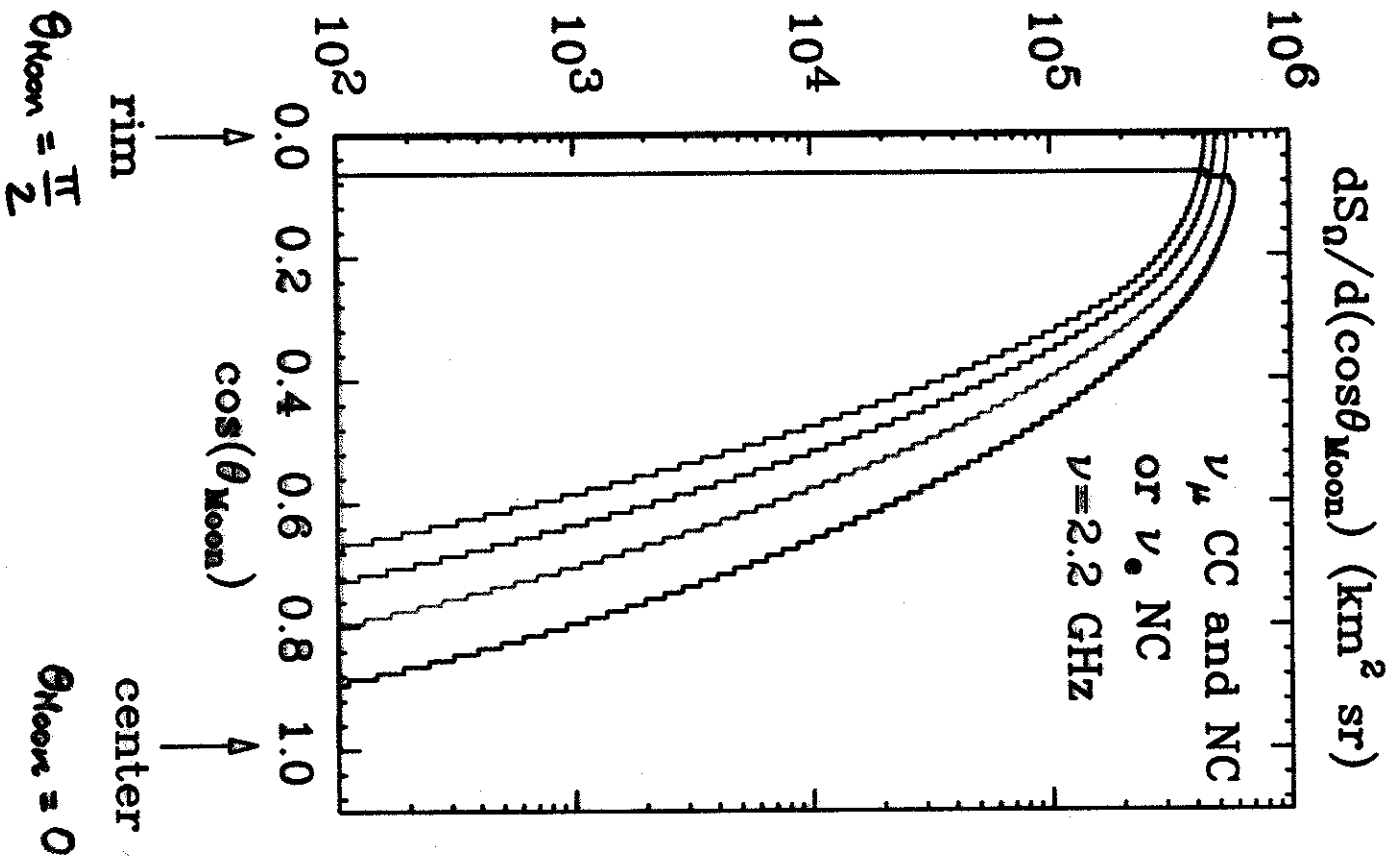
Size of rim where  $\nu$  obs. is expected

$$E_{CR} = 10^{20} \text{ eV} \quad E_{CR} = 10^{21} \text{ eV}$$

$$E_{CR} = 10^{22} \text{ eV} \quad E_{CR} = 10^{23} \text{ eV}$$



Bigger rims as compared to the CR case because  $\gamma$ 's can penetrate deeper



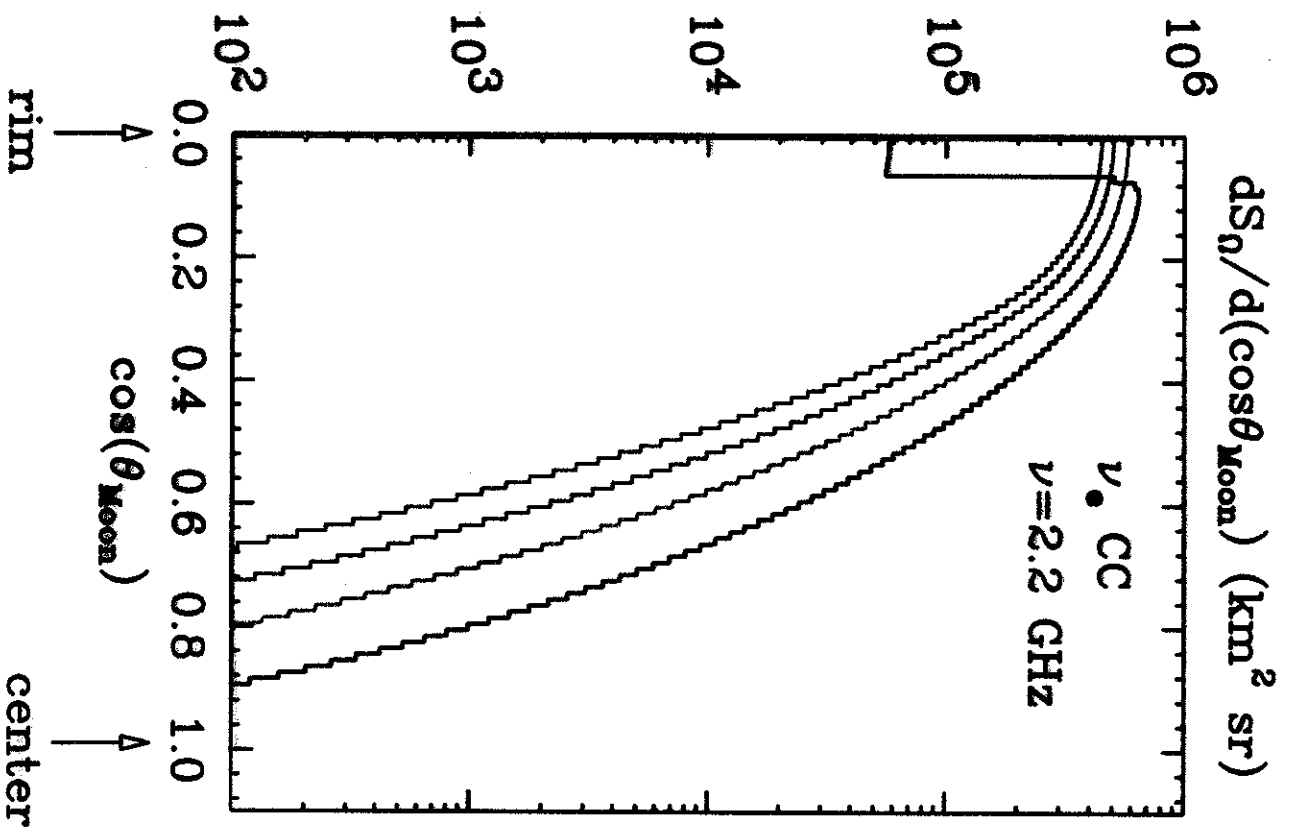
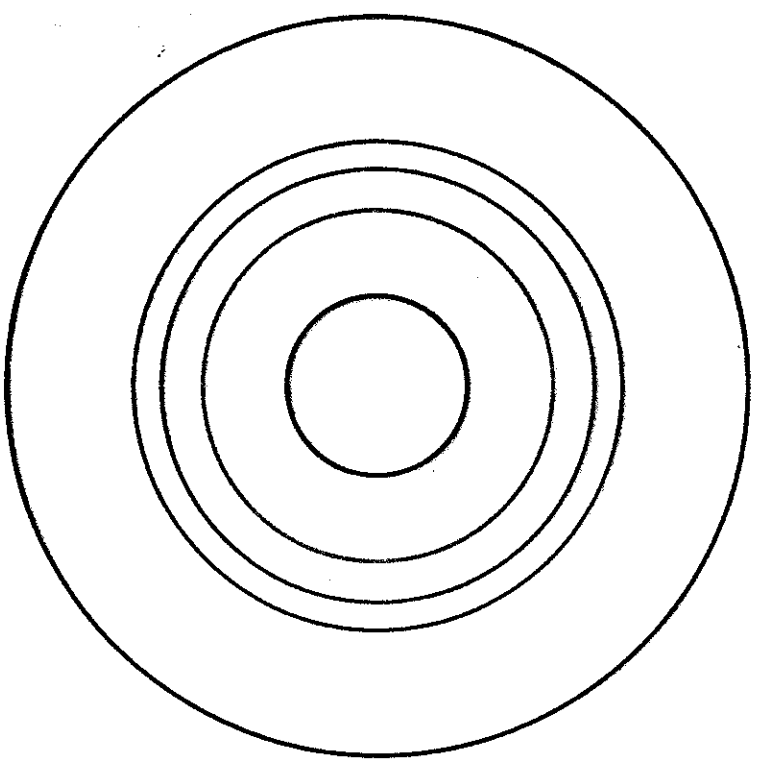
Size of rim where  $\nu$  obs. is expected

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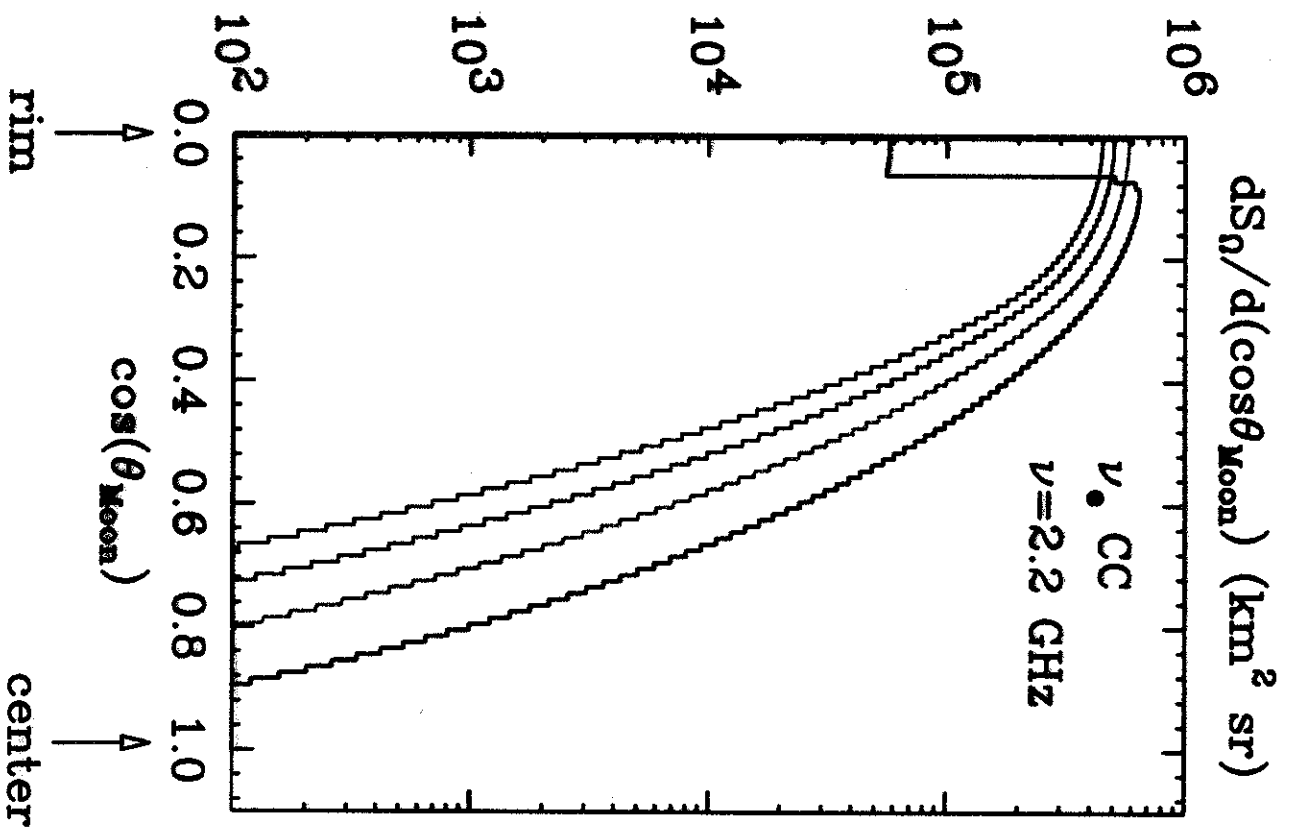
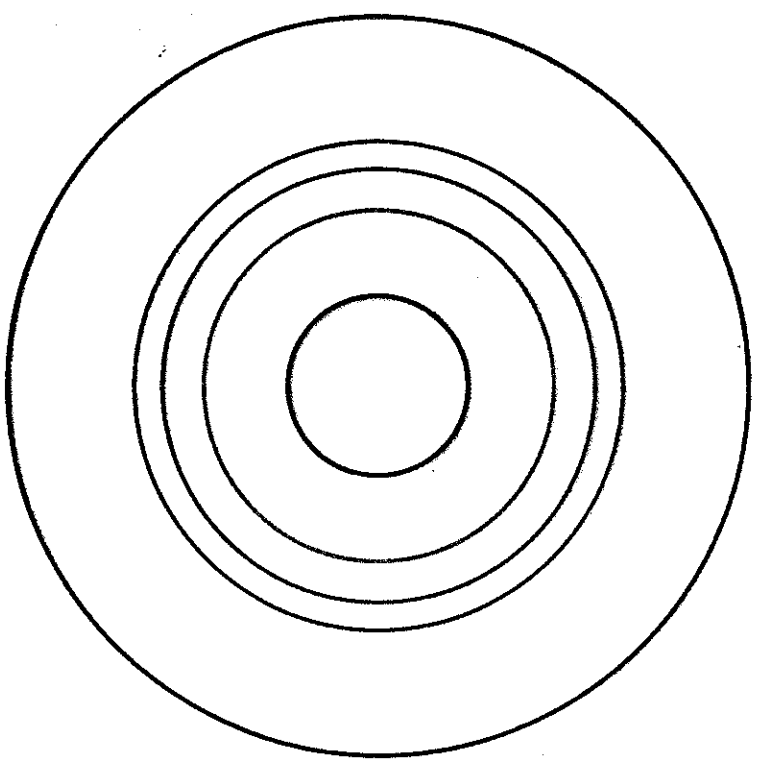
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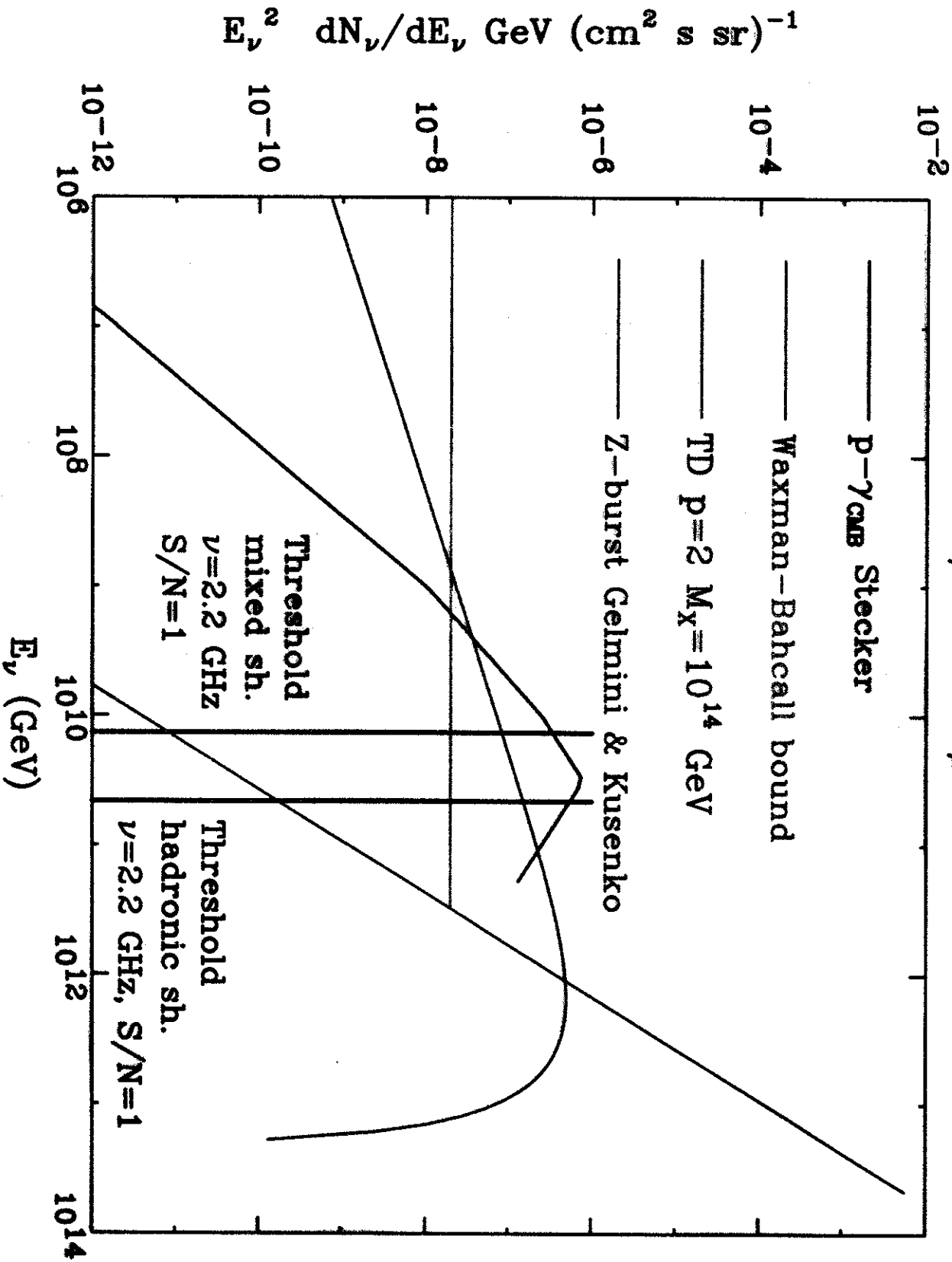
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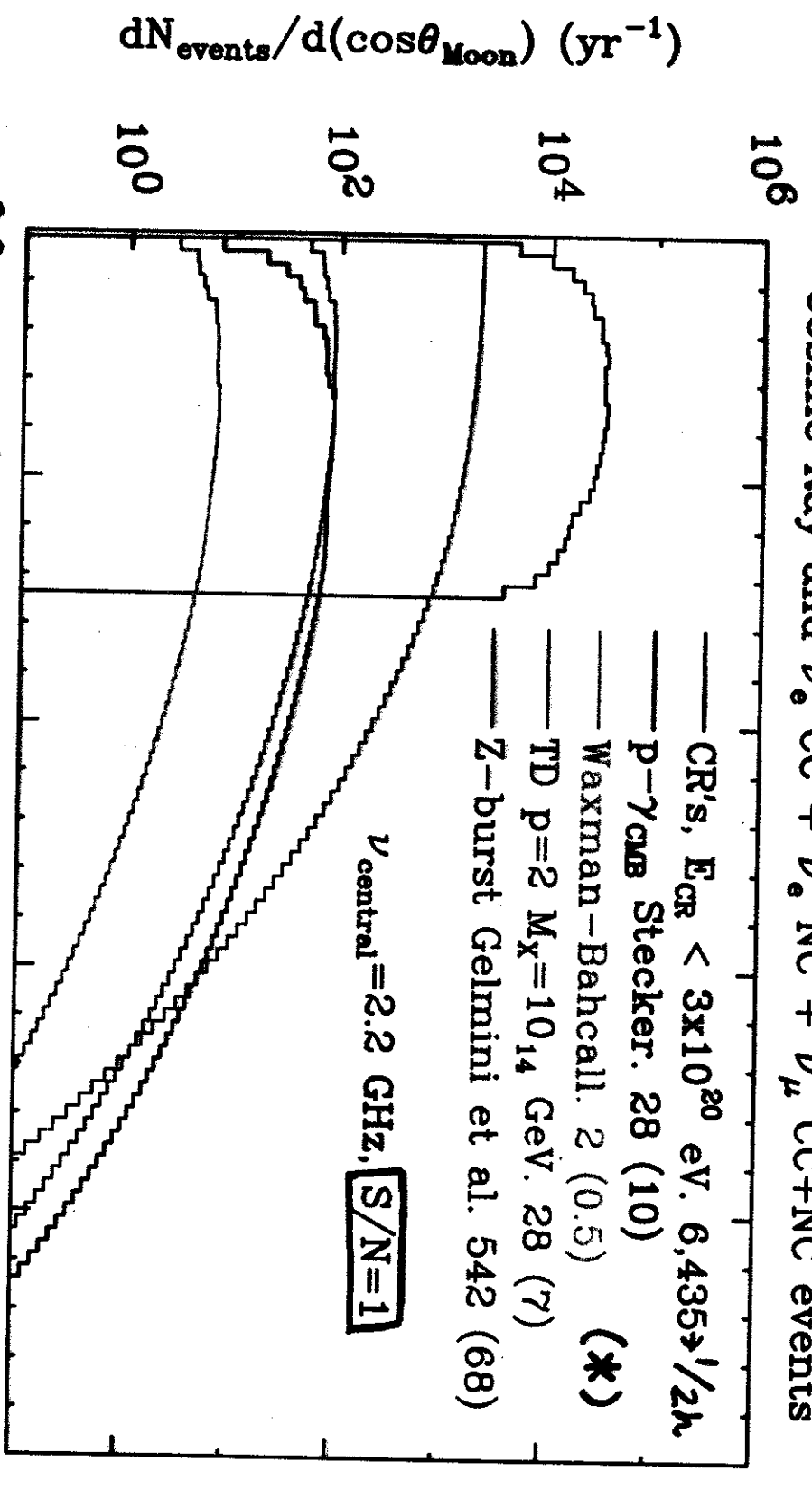


# $\nu_\mu$ + anti $\nu_\mu$ fluxes



(\*#)'s in parenthesis indicate events from the region on the surface where CR's are not exptl.

Cosmic Ray and  $\nu_e$  CC +  $\nu_e$  NC +  $\nu_\mu$  CC+NC events



CR's,  $E_{CR} < 3 \times 10^{20}$  eV, 6,435  $\rightarrow$  1/2h

p- $\gamma_{CR}$  Stecker. 28 (10)

Waxman-Bahcall. 2 (0.5) (\*)

TD p=2  $M_X = 10_{14}$  GeV. 28 (7)

Z-burst Gelmini et al. 542 (68)

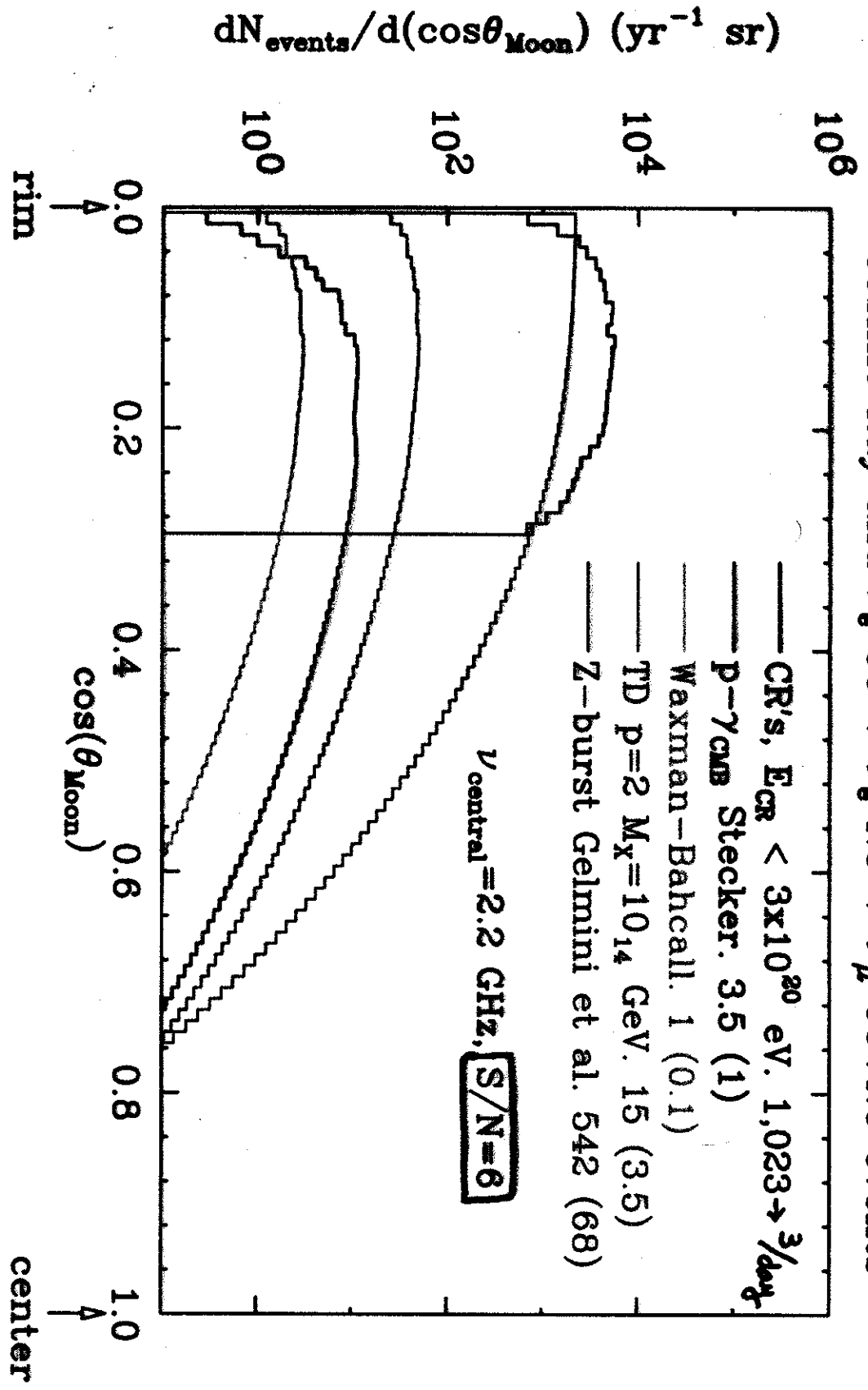
$\nu_{central} = 2.2$  GHz,  $S/N=1$

rim  $\leftarrow$  Aperture  $\leftarrow$  Efficiency  $\sim 10^{-4} - 10^{-5}$  center  $\leftarrow$

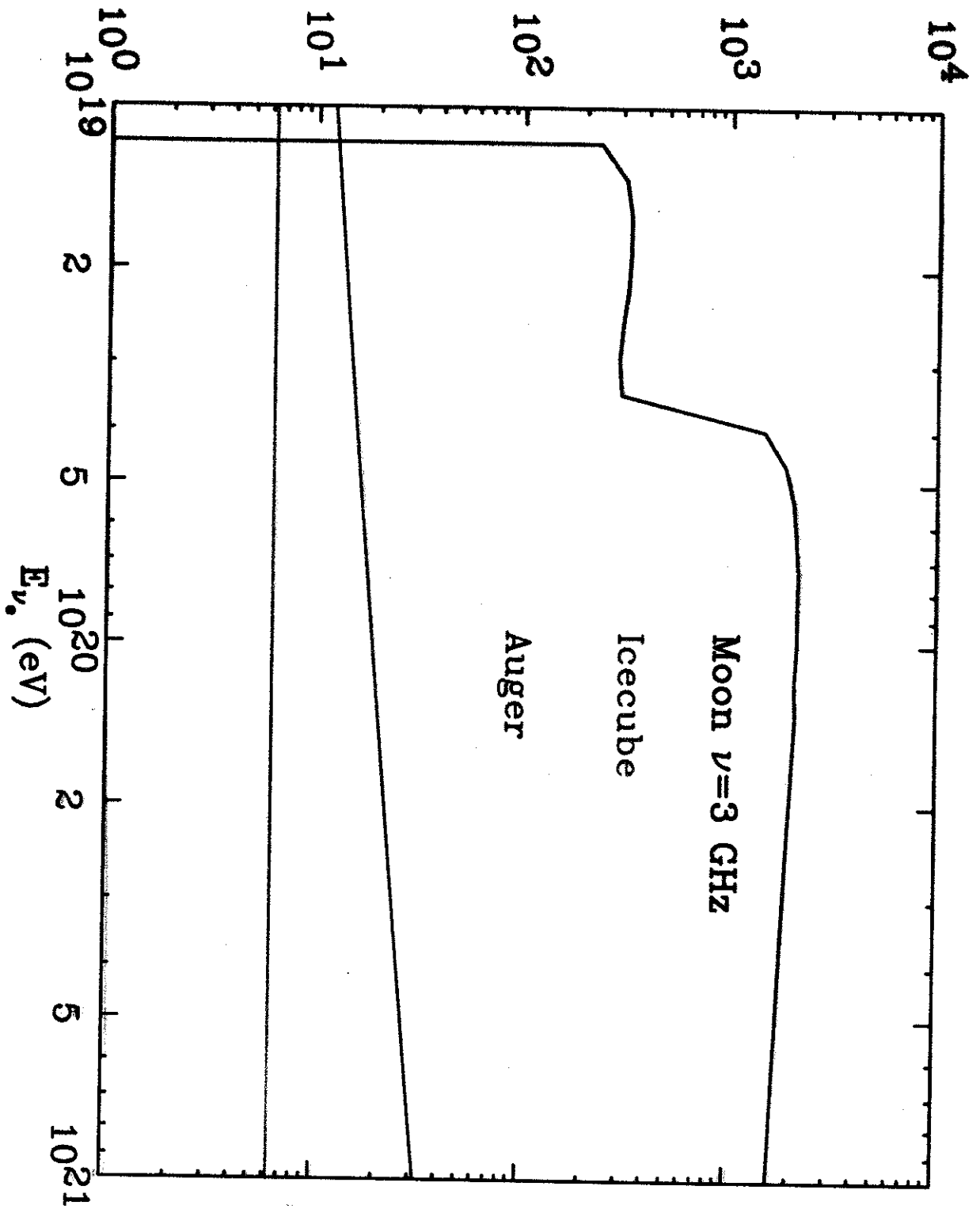
$$N_D \sim \int_{E_D} \frac{d\Phi_D}{dE_D} S_D^2 \frac{\lambda_{abs}^2}{\lambda_{int}^2} dE_D$$

$\lambda_{abs}^2 \equiv$  Absorption length of  
radiation in the Moon  
 $\lambda_{abs}^2 \sim 15 \text{ m} \cdot (\lambda_{GHz} / \nu)$

Cosmic Ray and  $\nu_e$  CC +  $\nu_e$  NC +  $\nu_\mu$  CC+NC events



Acceptance ( $\text{km}^3 \text{ sr water equivalent}$ )



CR events:

3/day in the whole rim ( $65 \sim 2400 \text{ Jy}$ )

Radiotelescopes only see  $\sim 10\%$  of the

Moon's limb  $\Rightarrow 3/10 \text{ days}$

or

$1/80 \text{ hours}$

( $10/\text{month}$ )

{ K. Liewer, C. Naudet,

{ P. Gorham, D. Saltzberg et al.  $\rightarrow 100 \text{ hours}$

T. Hankins, R. Ekers, J. O'Sullivan  $\rightarrow ? \text{ hours}$

Look @ the limb !!!

Find Cosmic Rays !!!

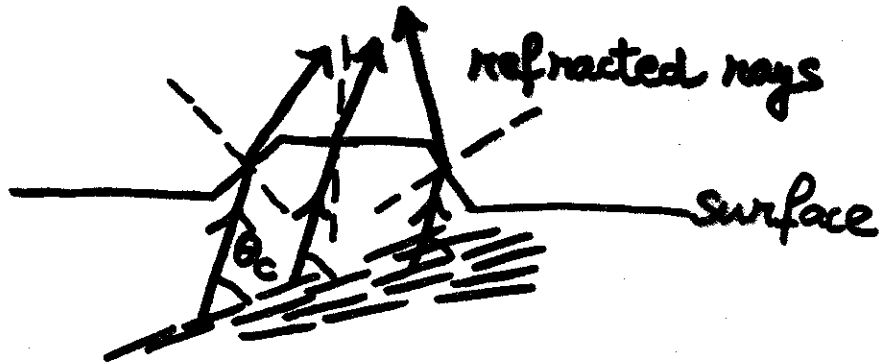
and celebrate !!



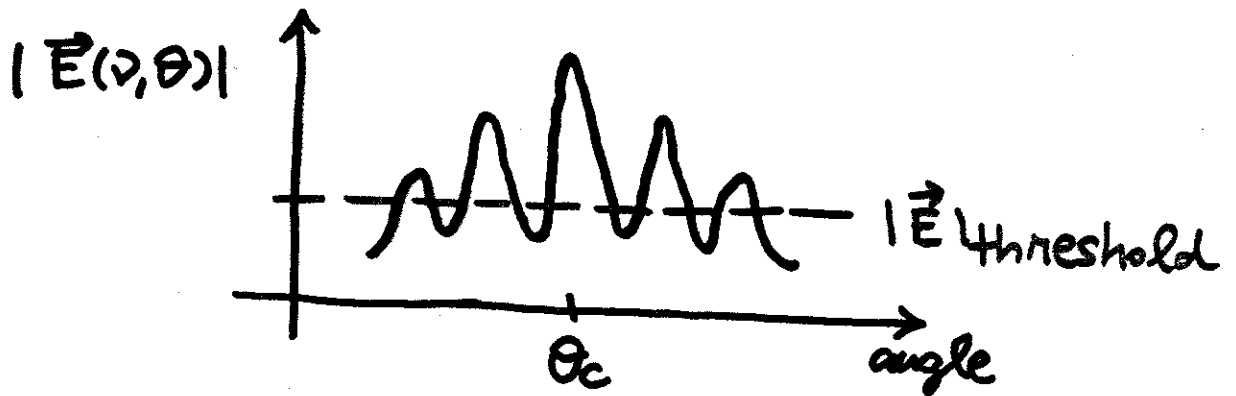
Spanish  
"Rioja" or  
"Ribera del Duero"

# Improvements

x Roughness of the Moon's surface



x Secondary diffractive peaks @ EHE's



x Cascades produced by  $\mu$  bremsstrahlung



(P. Gorham)