

Testing of the DPMJET and VENUS hadronic interaction models with the help of the atmospheric muons.

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Introduction

- 1) This work is a continuation of the series of testing a hadronic interaction models.
- 2) DPMJET 2.55, VENUS 4.12, QGSJET-01, QGSJETII-03, QGSJETII-04, SIBYLL 2.1.
- 3) Our goal is to compare the behavior of different models between each other in the region of maximum energies of the secondary particles.

Motivation

- Our main goal consists in testing models of hadronic interactions!
- We try to compare a predictions of various models between each other!

Method

- The package **CORSIKA 7.4** has been used to estimate the energy spectra of muons $D(E_\mu)$ for models **DPMJET** and **VENUS** with energies in the energy range $E_\mu = 10^2 \text{ — } 10^5 \text{ GeV}$ in the atmosphere from the primary **protons**, **He** and **N** nuclei with energies within the interval $E = 10^2 \text{ — } 10^7 \text{ GeV}$.
- Statistic N_0 at 10^6 till 10^3 (for the highest energy)
- For muons in energy interval $(0,01-1) \cdot E_0$ statistic $N_0 = 10^6$

Method

Differential energy spectra for primary cosmic rays [Data: L3+Cosmic, LVD, MACRO]

Muons density distribution functions [CORSIKA 7.4]

$$\left(\frac{dI_p}{dE} \right)$$

$$S_p(E_\mu, E) \cdot dE_\mu$$

$$\left(\frac{dI_{He}}{dE} \right)$$

$$S_{He}(E_\mu, E) \cdot dE_\mu$$

$$\left(\frac{dI_N}{dE} \right)$$

$$S_N(E_\mu, E) \cdot dE_\mu$$

$$\left(\frac{dI_A}{dE} \right)(E) = \frac{dN_A(E)}{dE \cdot dS \cdot dt \cdot d\Omega}$$

$$S_A(E, E_\mu) = \frac{dN_\mu(E_\mu)}{h \cdot N_0}(E)$$

Method of simulations

- We have estimated differential energy spectra of muons as integrals.

$$D_p(E_\mu) \cdot dE_\mu = \int dE \cdot \left(\frac{dI_p}{dE} \right) \cdot S_p(E_\mu, E) \cdot dE_\mu$$

$$D_{He}(E_\mu) \cdot dE_\mu = \int dE \cdot \left(\frac{dI_{He}}{dE} \right) \cdot S_{He}(E_\mu, E) \cdot dE_\mu$$

$$D_N(E_\mu) \cdot dE_\mu = \int dE \cdot \left(\frac{dI_N}{dE} \right) \cdot S_N(E_\mu, E) \cdot dE_\mu$$

$$D(E_\mu) = D_p(E_\mu) + D_{He}(E_\mu) + D_N(E_\mu)$$

- $D(E_\mu)$ — resulting differential energy spectrum of atmospheric muons [$1/(\text{GeV} \cdot \text{m}^2 \cdot \text{s} \cdot \text{sr})$].

Ingredients for calculations (I)

- First we have to choose the primary energy spectra of various primary particles.

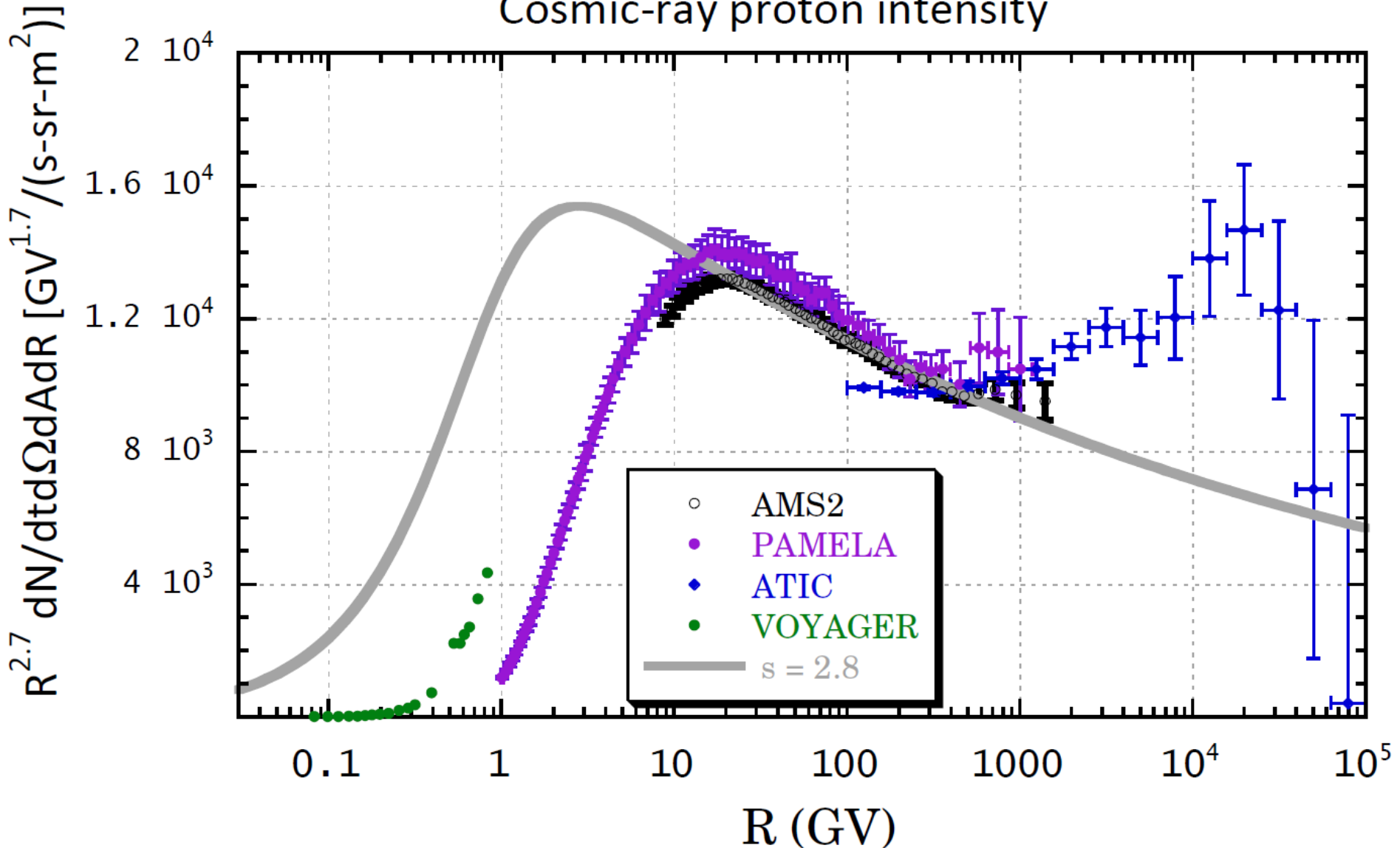
$$\left(\frac{dI_p}{dE} \right)$$

$$\left(\frac{dI_{He}}{dE} \right)$$

$$\left(\frac{dI_N}{dE} \right)$$

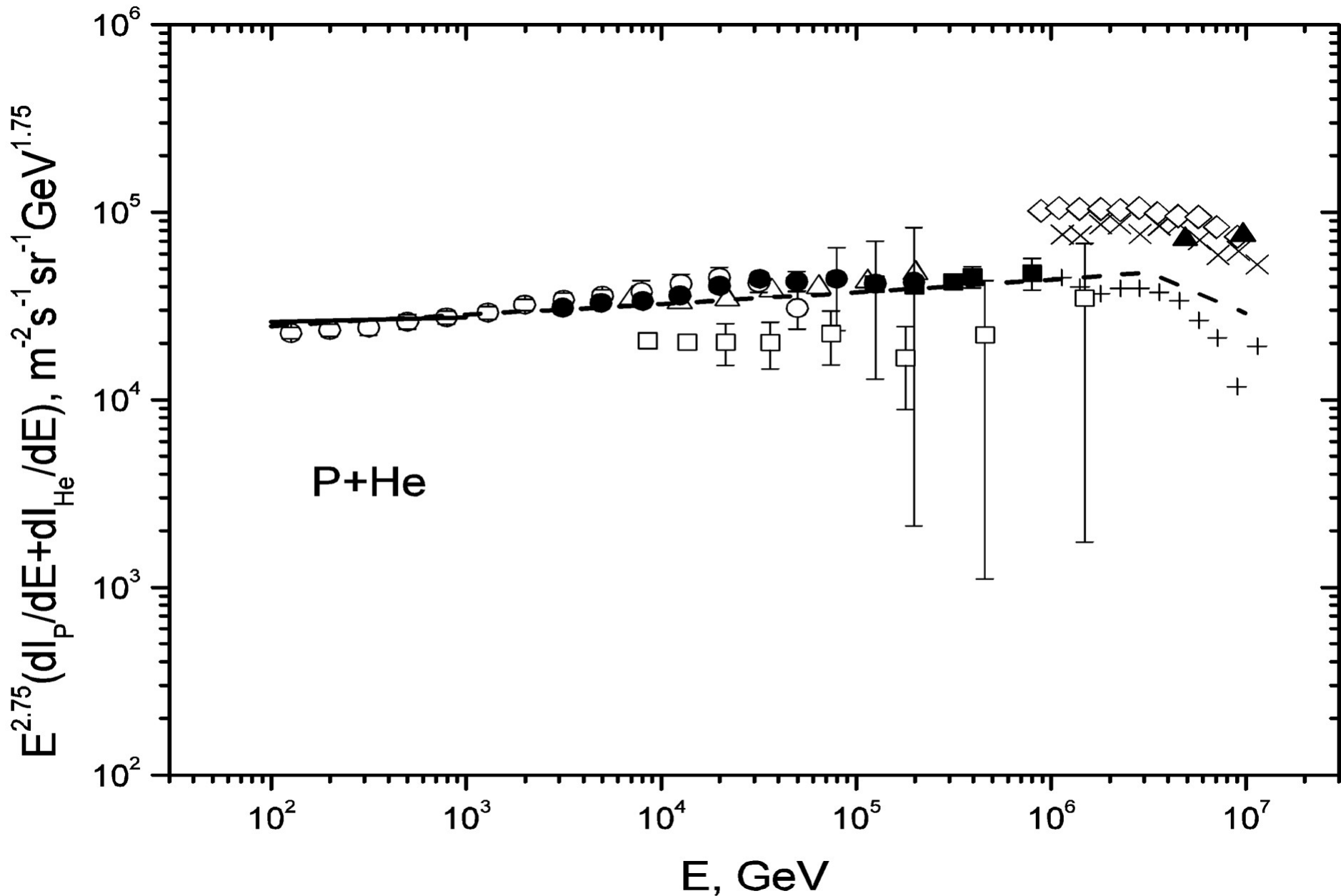
Differential energy spectrum PCR

Cosmic-ray proton intensity



Charles D. Dermer. Impact of Fermi-LAT and AMS-02 results on cosmic-ray astrophysics. (21 May 2015)
arXiv:1505.05757v1

Primary cosmic ray spectrum (p+He)



Data for primary spectra (p + He)

Solid line – AMS02 // Proc. 33-d ICRC, Rio de Janeiro, 2013)

○ - ATIC2, // A.D. Panov et al., Bull. Bull. RAS, Phys., **73**, 564, 2009

● - CREAM, // H. S. Ahn et al., Astrophys. J. Lett. **714**, L89-L93, 2010

Δ - ARGO, // B. Bartoli et al., Phys. Rev. D, **85**, 092005, 2012

■ - WCFTA, // S.S. Zhang et al., NIM, A, 629, 57-65, 2011

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+ - KASKADE (SIBYLL 2.1) T. Antoni et al., Astropart. Phys., **24**, 1-25, 2005

□ - RUNJOB, V.A. Derbina et al., ApJ, **628**, L41-L44, 2005

◇ - TUNKA (all particles), V.V. Prosin et al., Proc. 33-d ICRC, Rio de Janeiro, 2013

▲ - SPHERE2 (all particles) R.A. Antonov et al., Proc. 33-d ICRC, Rio de Janeiro, 2013

Approximation Gaisser-Honda for primary cosmic rays.

Gaisser T. K., Honda M. Flux of atmospheric neutrinos // Ann. Rev. Nucl. Part. Sci. 2002. Vol. 52. Pp. 153–199.

K — constant with demension $[1/(\text{GeV}\cdot\text{m}^2\cdot\text{s}\cdot\text{sr})]$;

α , b , c — demensionless constants;

E_k — energy per nucleon [GeV].

$$\frac{dN_A}{dE_k} = K \cdot \left(E_k + b \cdot \exp(-c \cdot \sqrt{E_k}) \right)^{-\alpha}$$

Nuclei	α	K	b	c
H (1)	2,74	14900	2,15	0,21
He (4)	2,64	600	1,25	0,14
N (14)	2,6	33,2	0,97	0,01

Modified G&H approximation

For values above the critical energy E_1 (for protons $E_1=3 \cdot 10^6$ GeV; for helium nuclei (^4He) for nitrogen nuclei (^{14}N) $E_{2,3}=6 \cdot 10^6$ GeV) the modified Gaisser-Honda approximation was used.

1. For the primary protons:

$$(dI_p/dE)_m = (dI_p/dE)_{GH} \cdot (E_1/E)^{0,5}$$

2. For the primary helium nuclei ^4He :

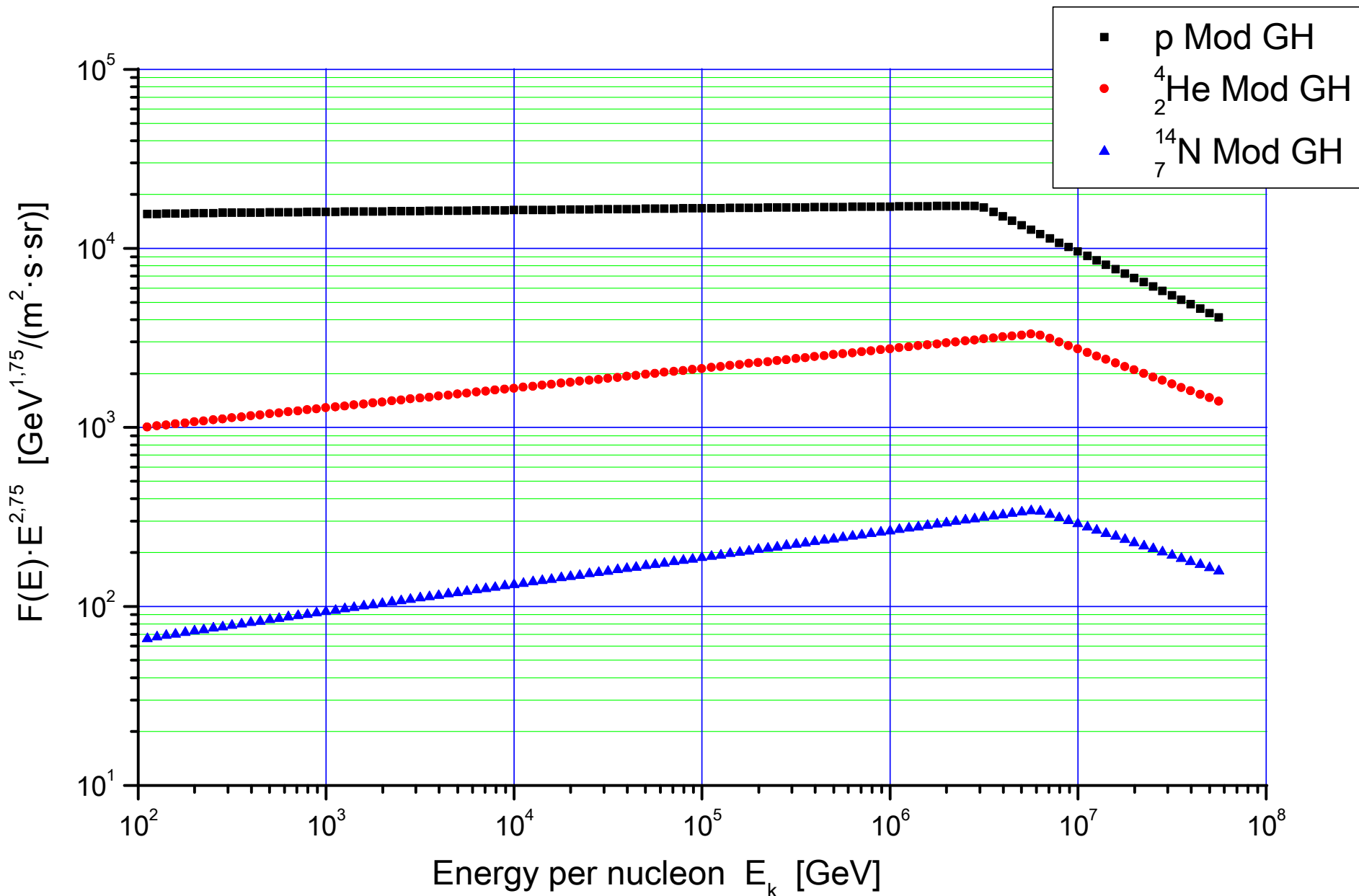
$$(dI_{\text{He}}/dE)_m = (dI_{\text{He}}/dE)_{GH} \cdot (E_2/E)^{0,5}$$

3. For the primary nitrogen nuclei ^{14}N :

$$(dI_{\text{N}}/dE)_m = (dI_{\text{N}}/dE)_{GH} \cdot (E_3/E)^{0,5}$$

E — energy per nucleon [GeV]; E_1 — critical energy.

Primary spectra



Ingredients for calculations (II)

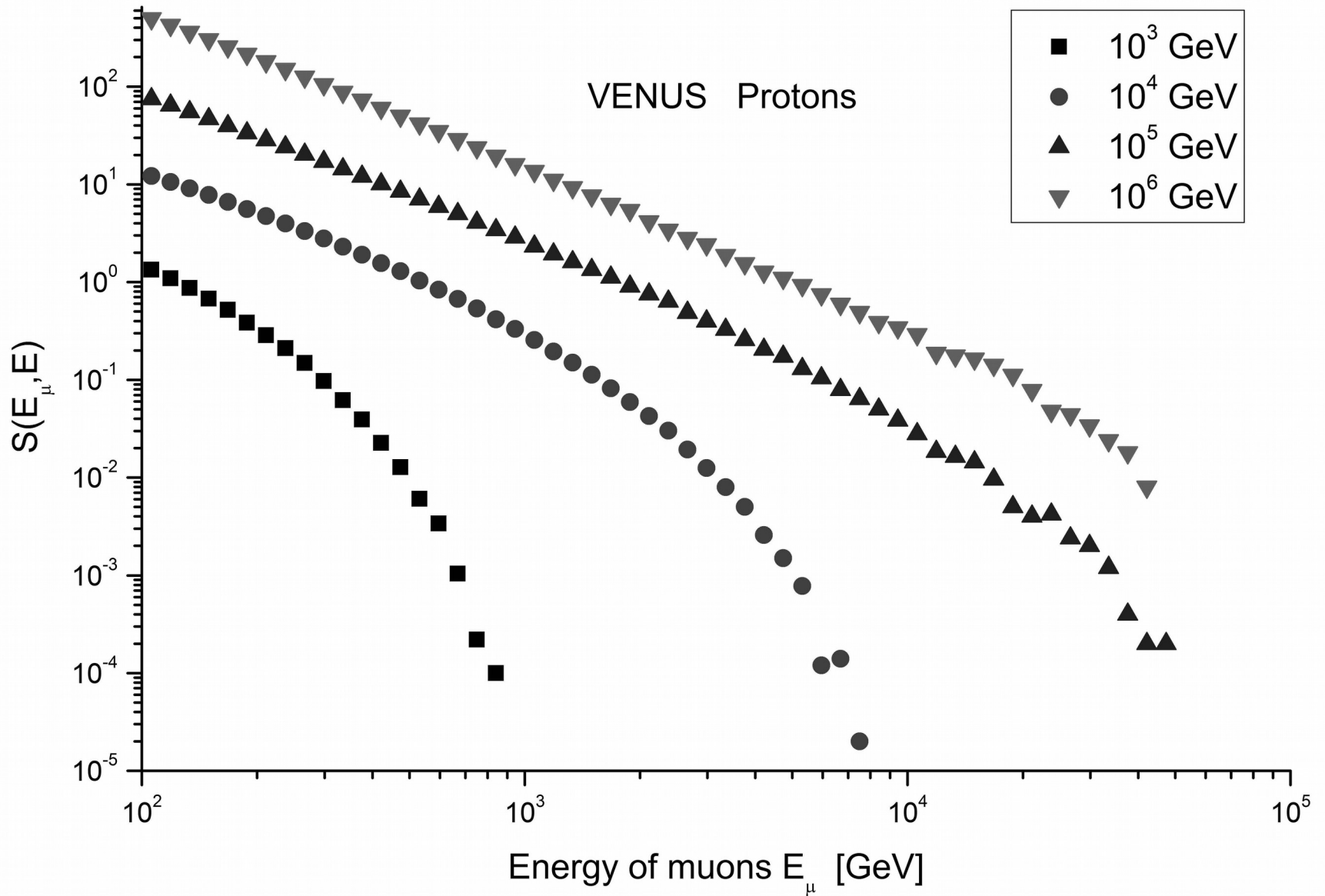
- Second we have to obtain the muon density functions for various primary particles at fixed values of energies (E).

$$S_p(E_\mu, E) \cdot dE_\mu$$

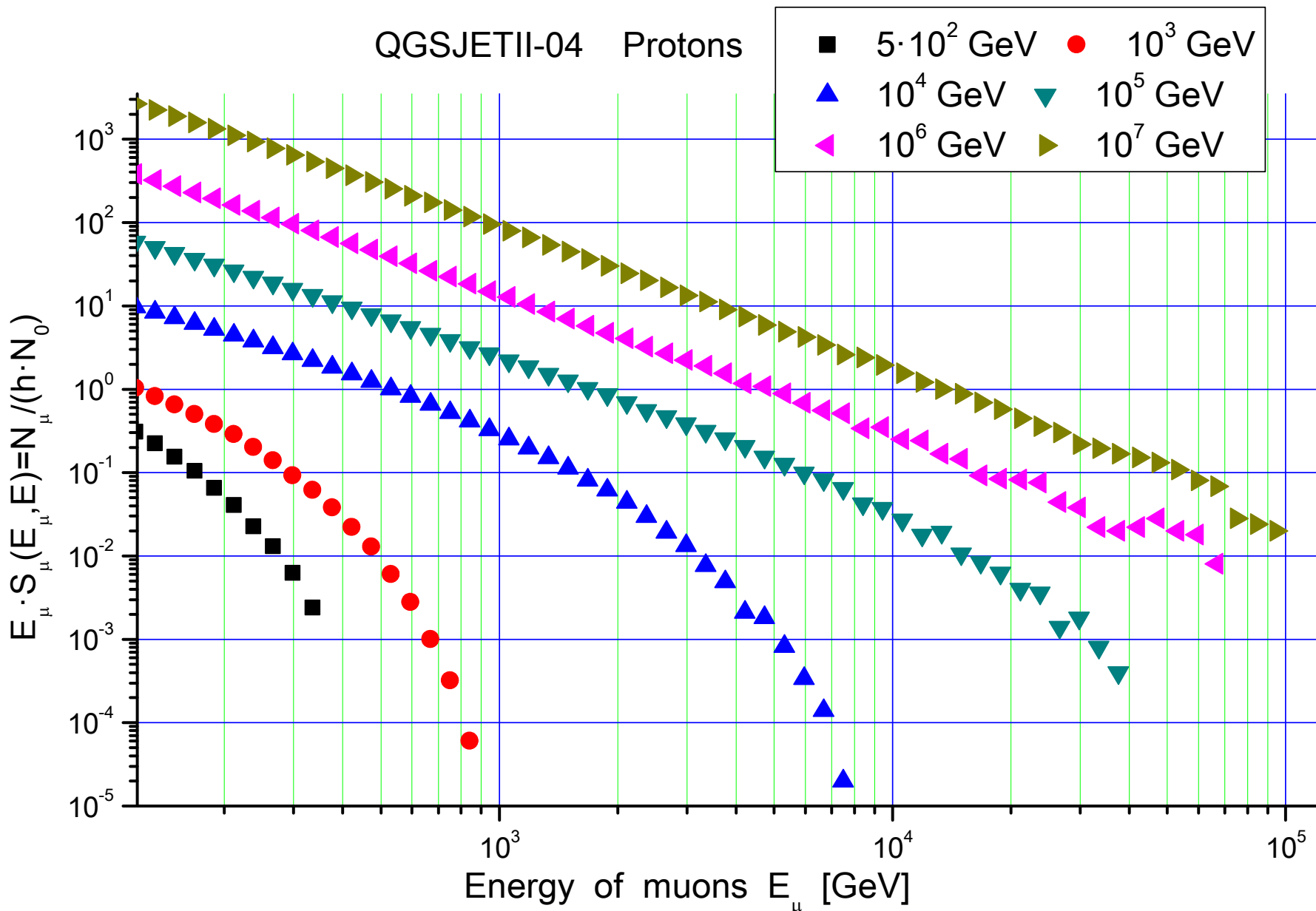
$$S_{He}(E_\mu, E) \cdot dE_\mu$$

$$S_N(E_\mu, E) \cdot dE_\mu$$

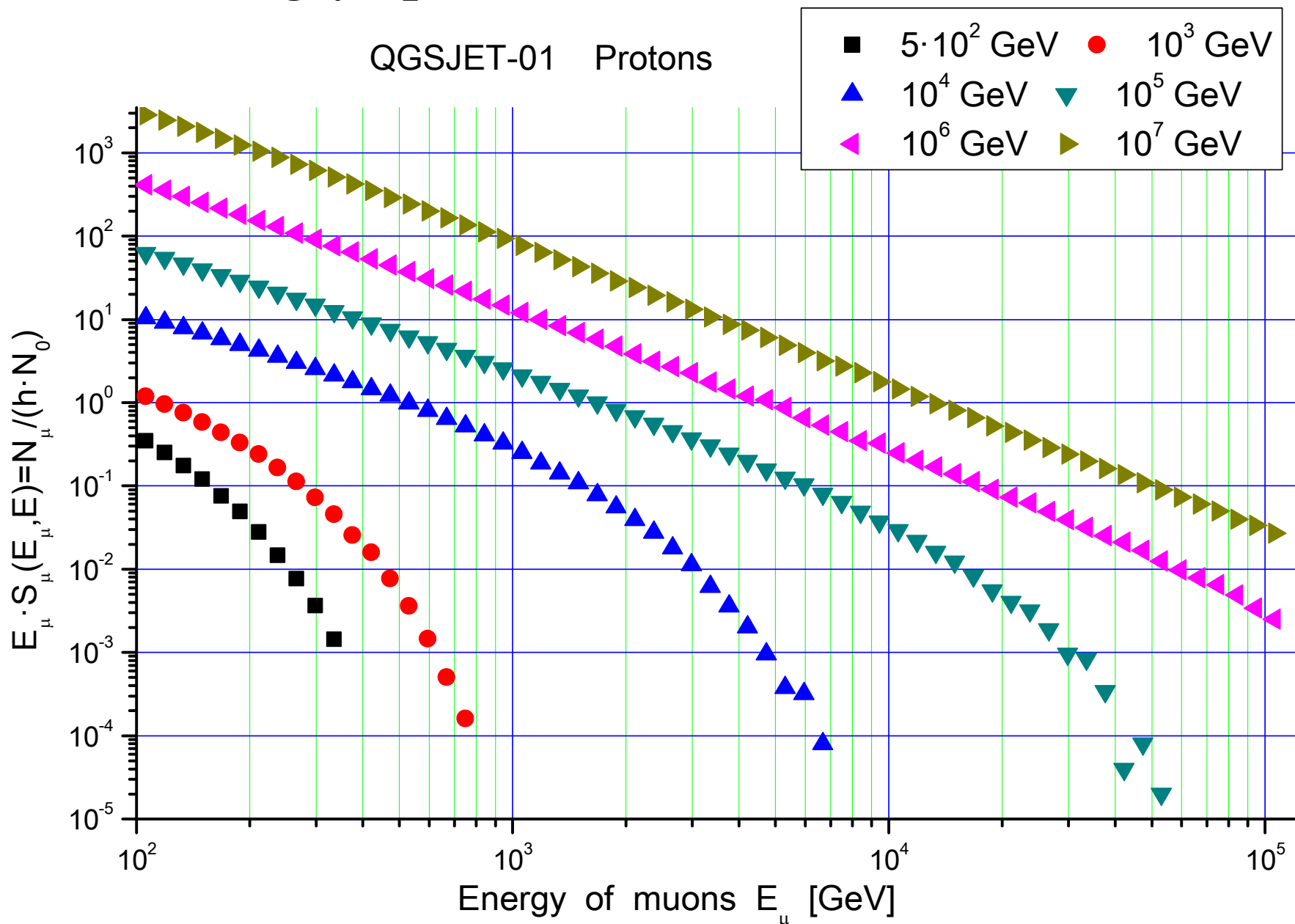
Energy spectra of muons in showers



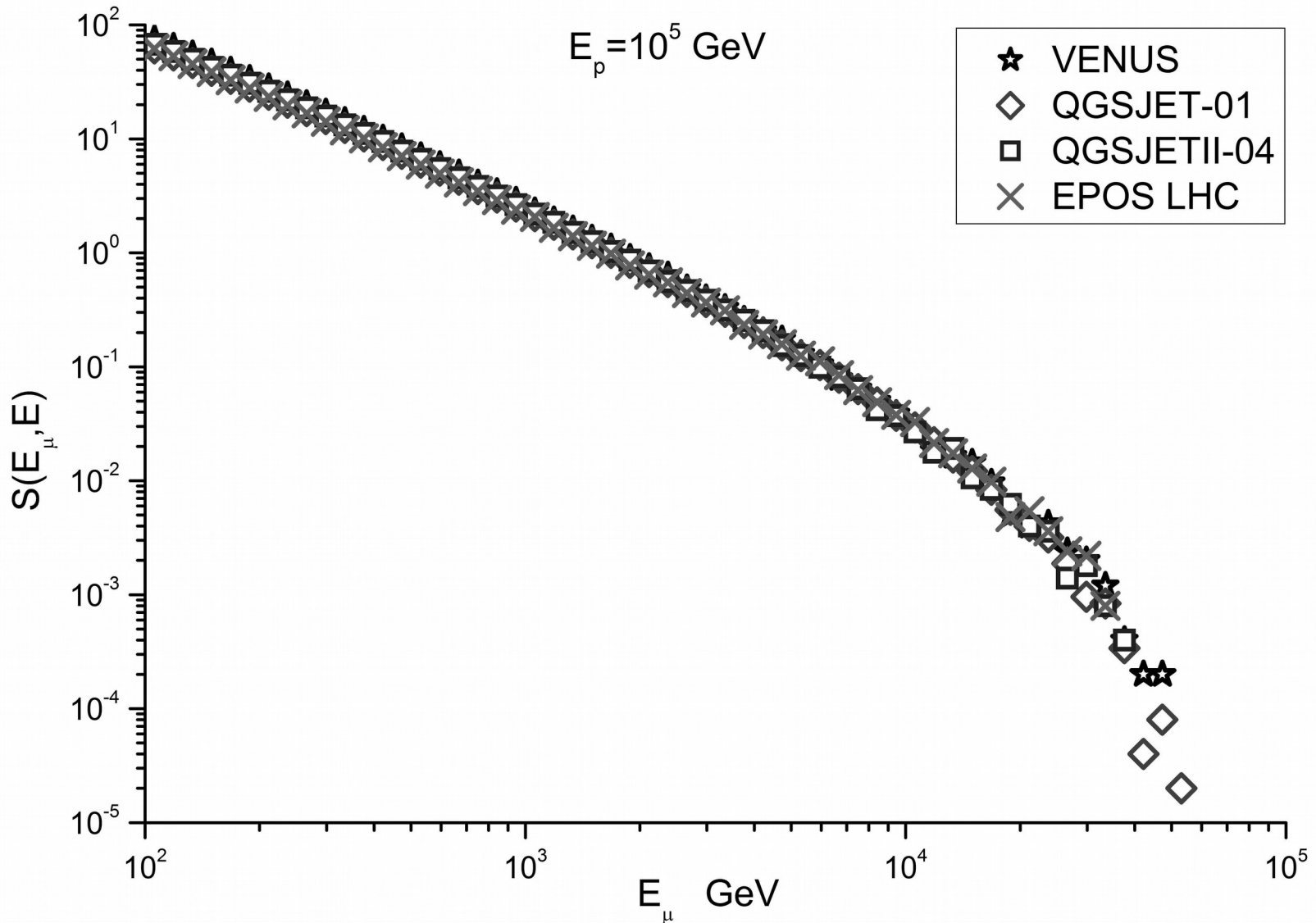
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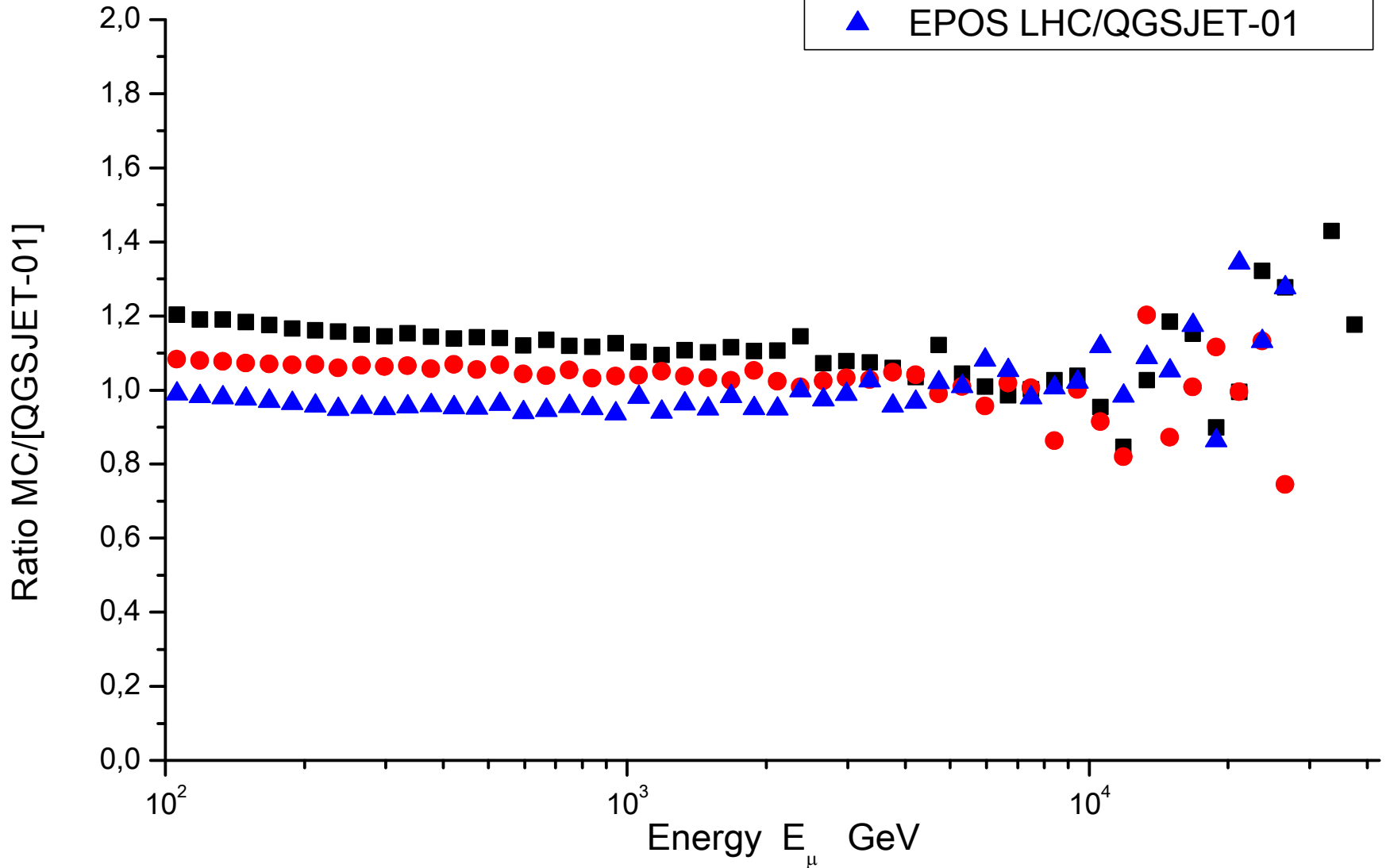
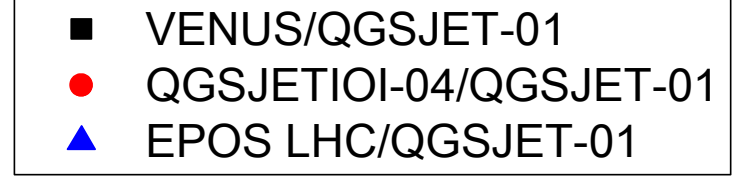


The muon energy spectra induced by the primary protons with energy 10^5 GeV



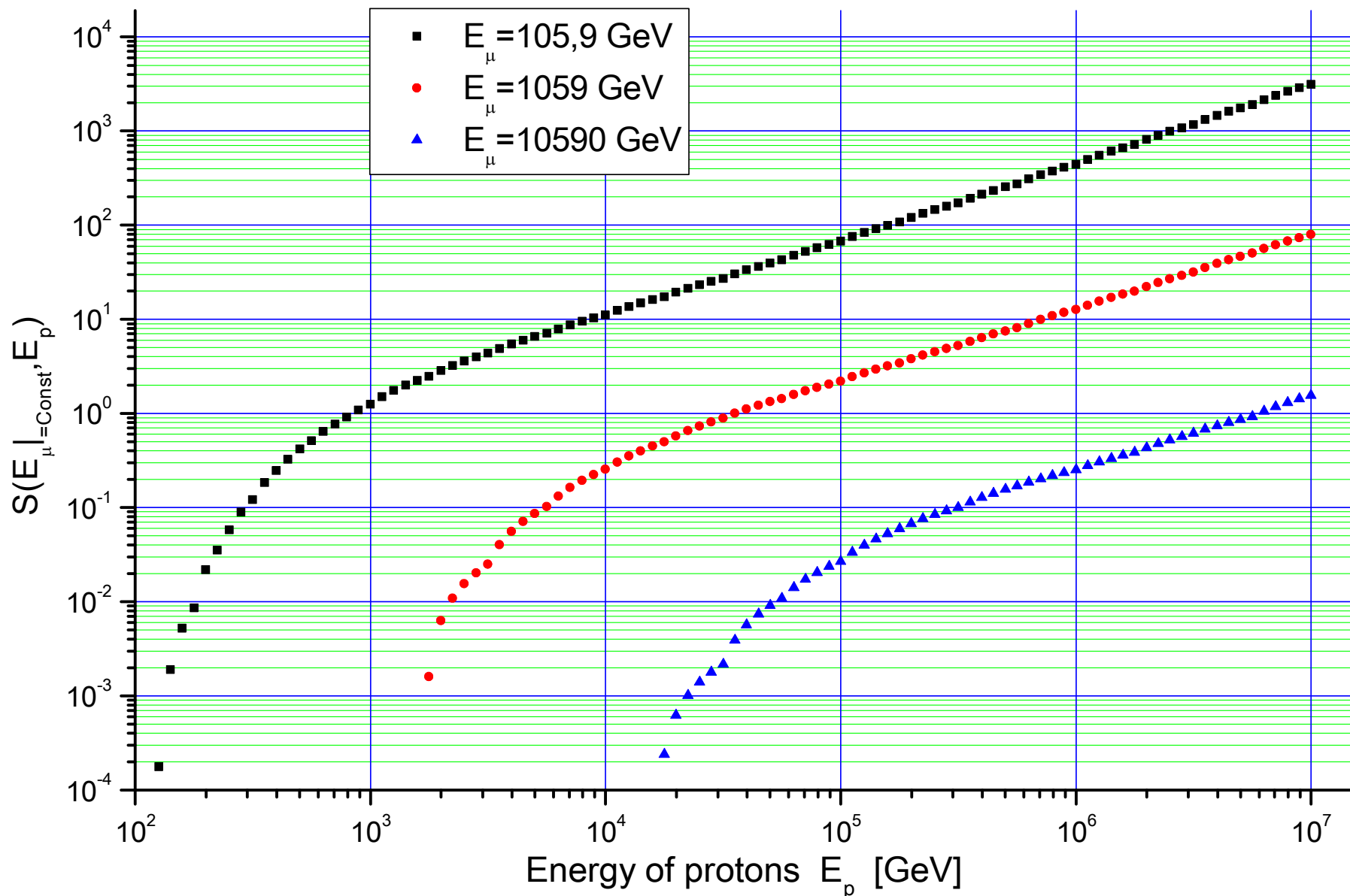
Relation between the models

Protons $E=10^5$ GeV



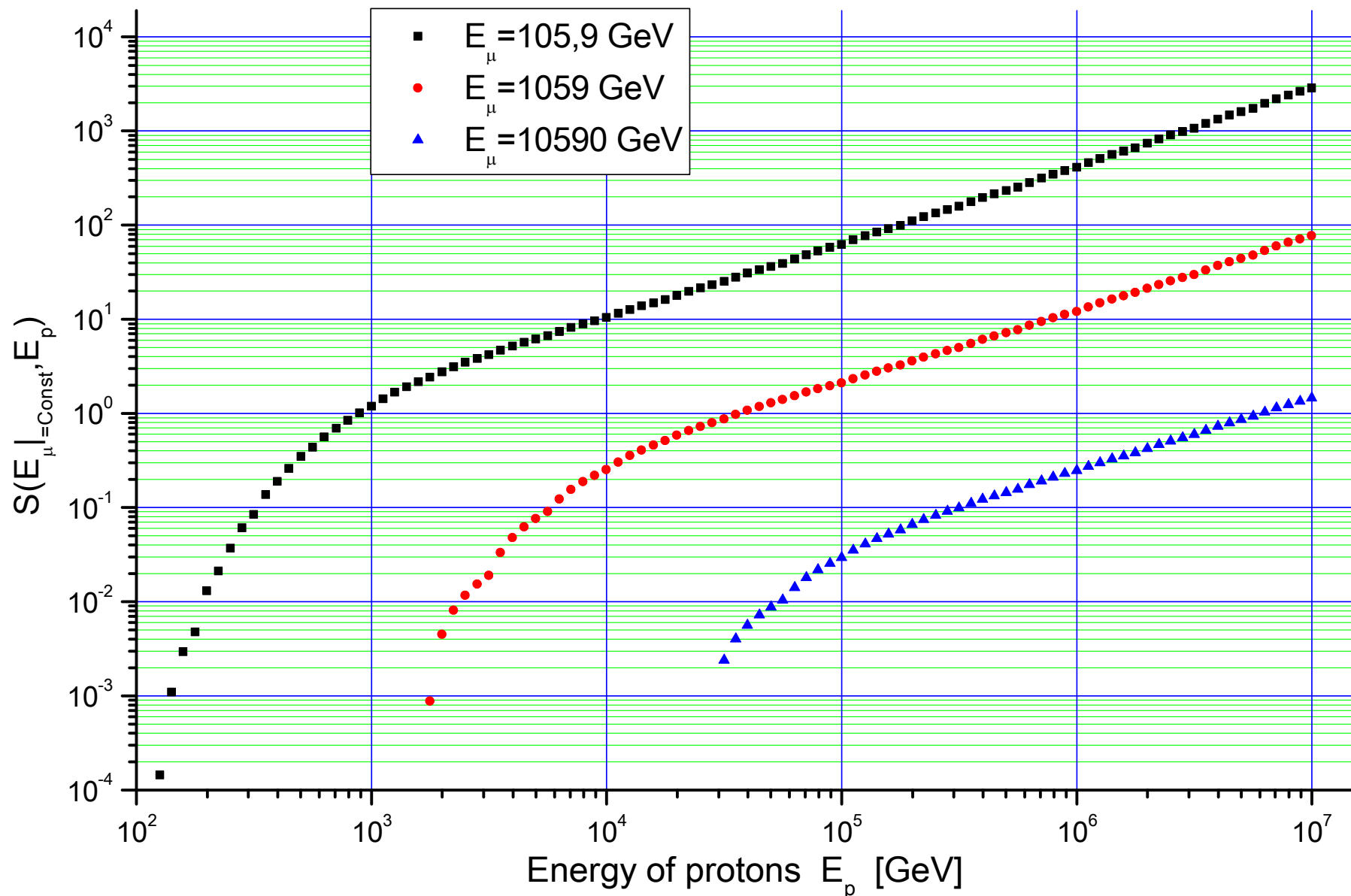
Muons density functions at fixed energies of muons

QGSJETII-04

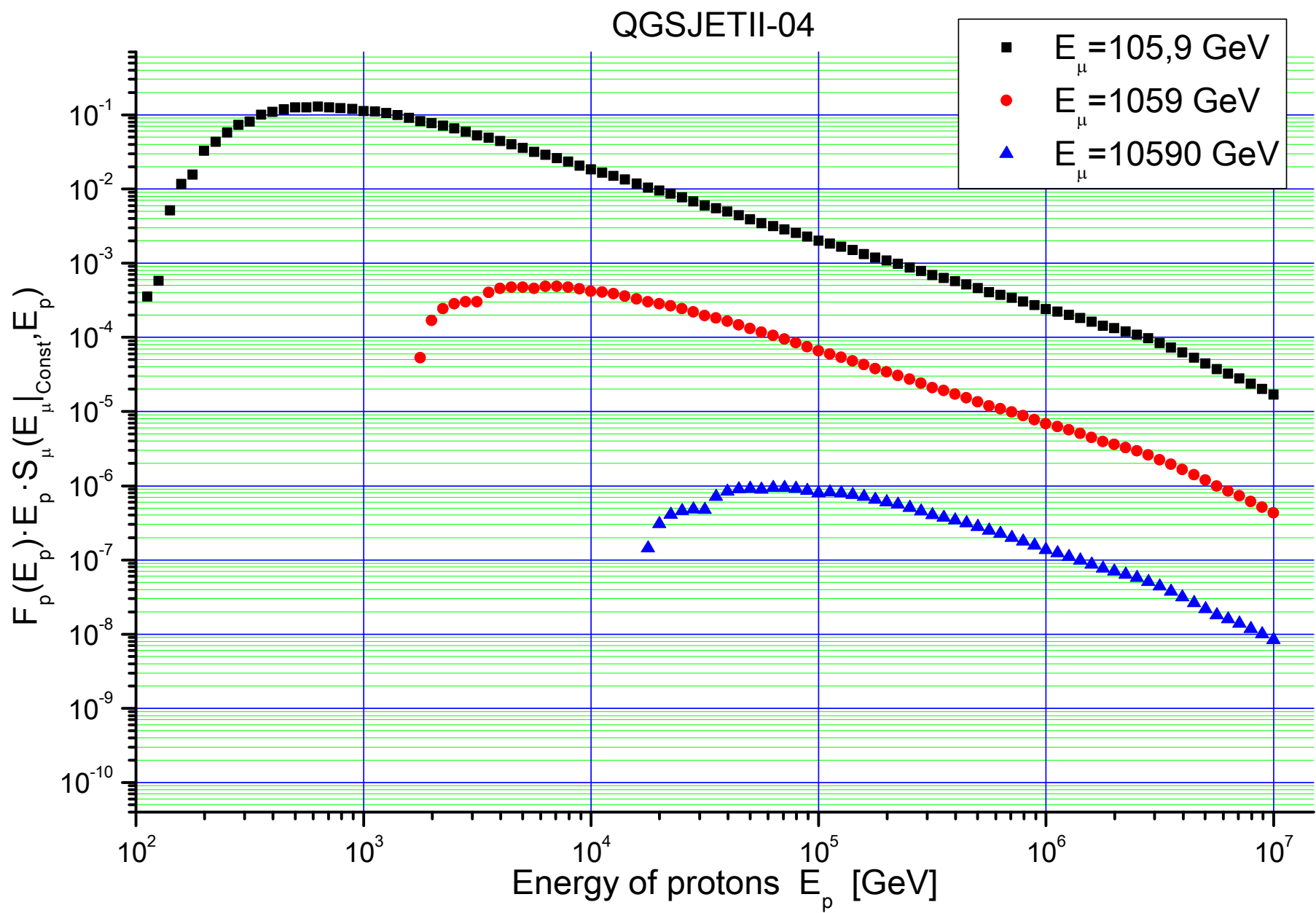


Muons density functions at fixed energies of muons

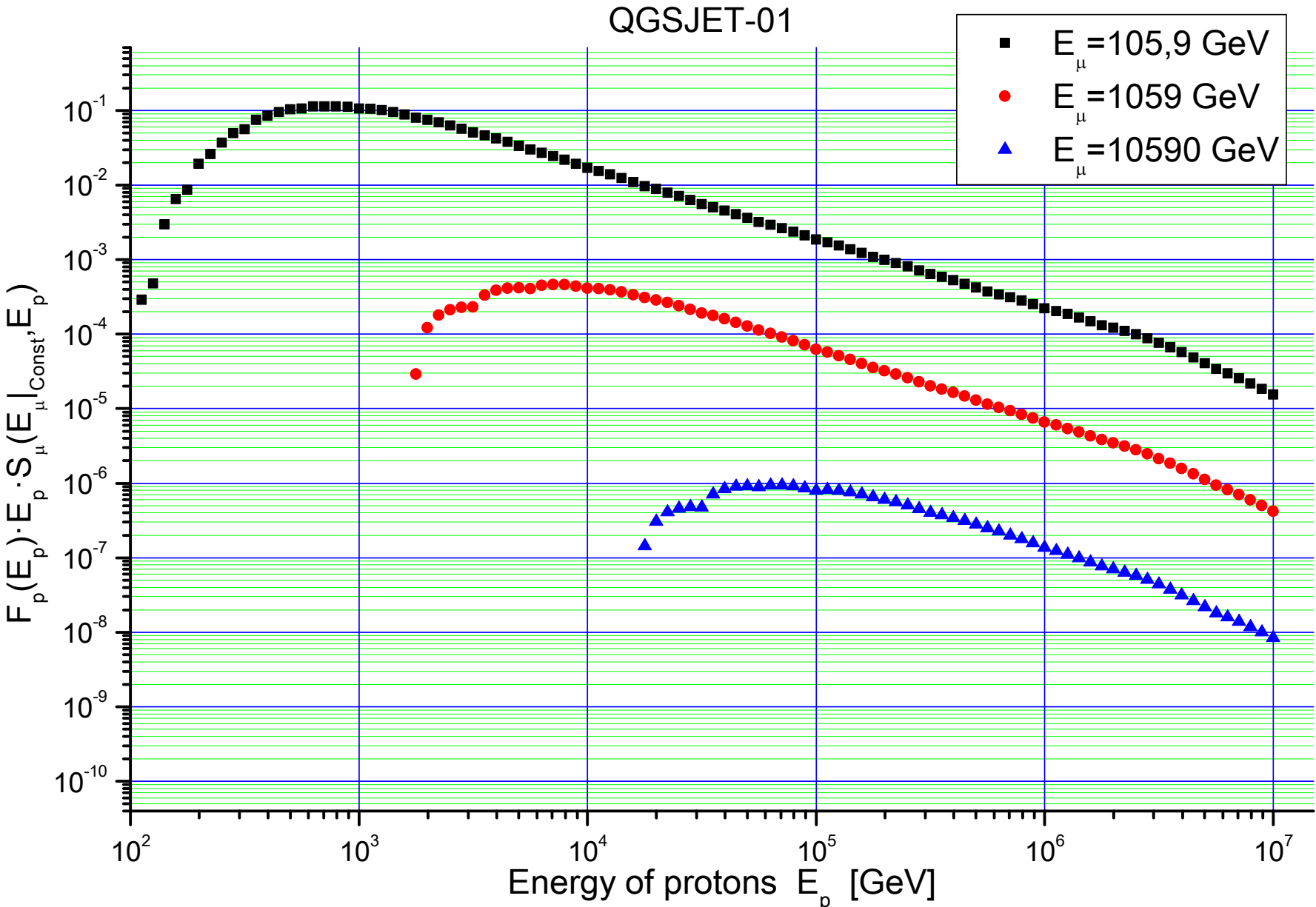
QGSJET-01



Functions of relative contribution in muons generation

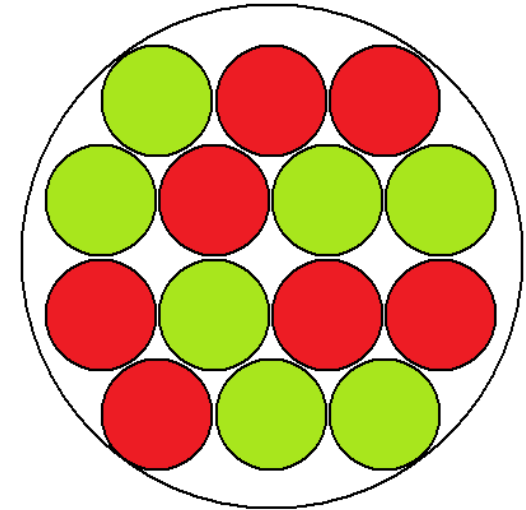
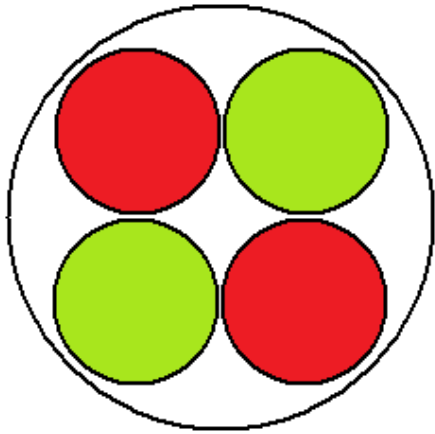


Functions of relative contribution in muons generation



Superposition conception

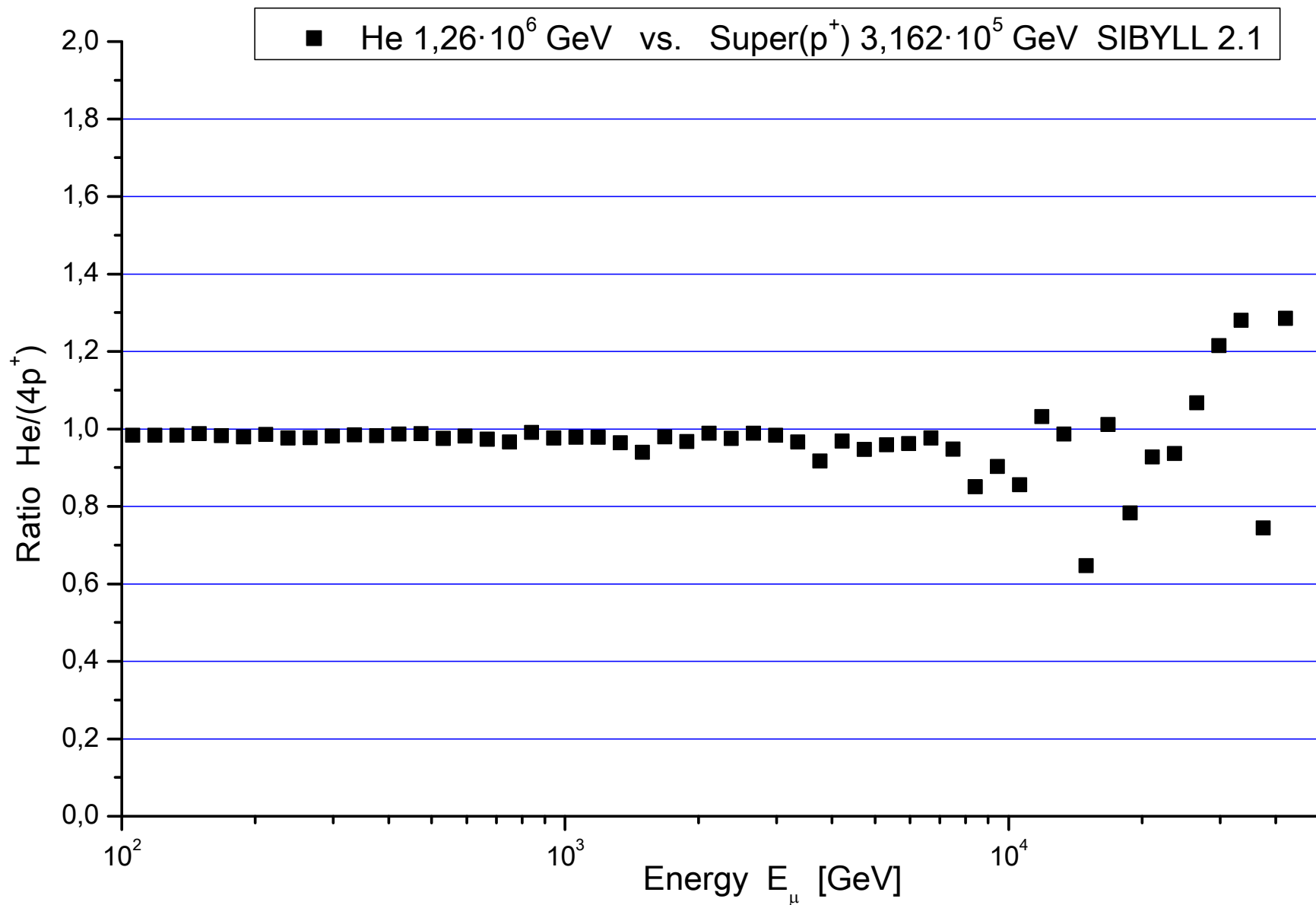
- Helium nuclei ($A=4$) and nitrogen nuclei ($A=14$) is a systems of A nucleons.



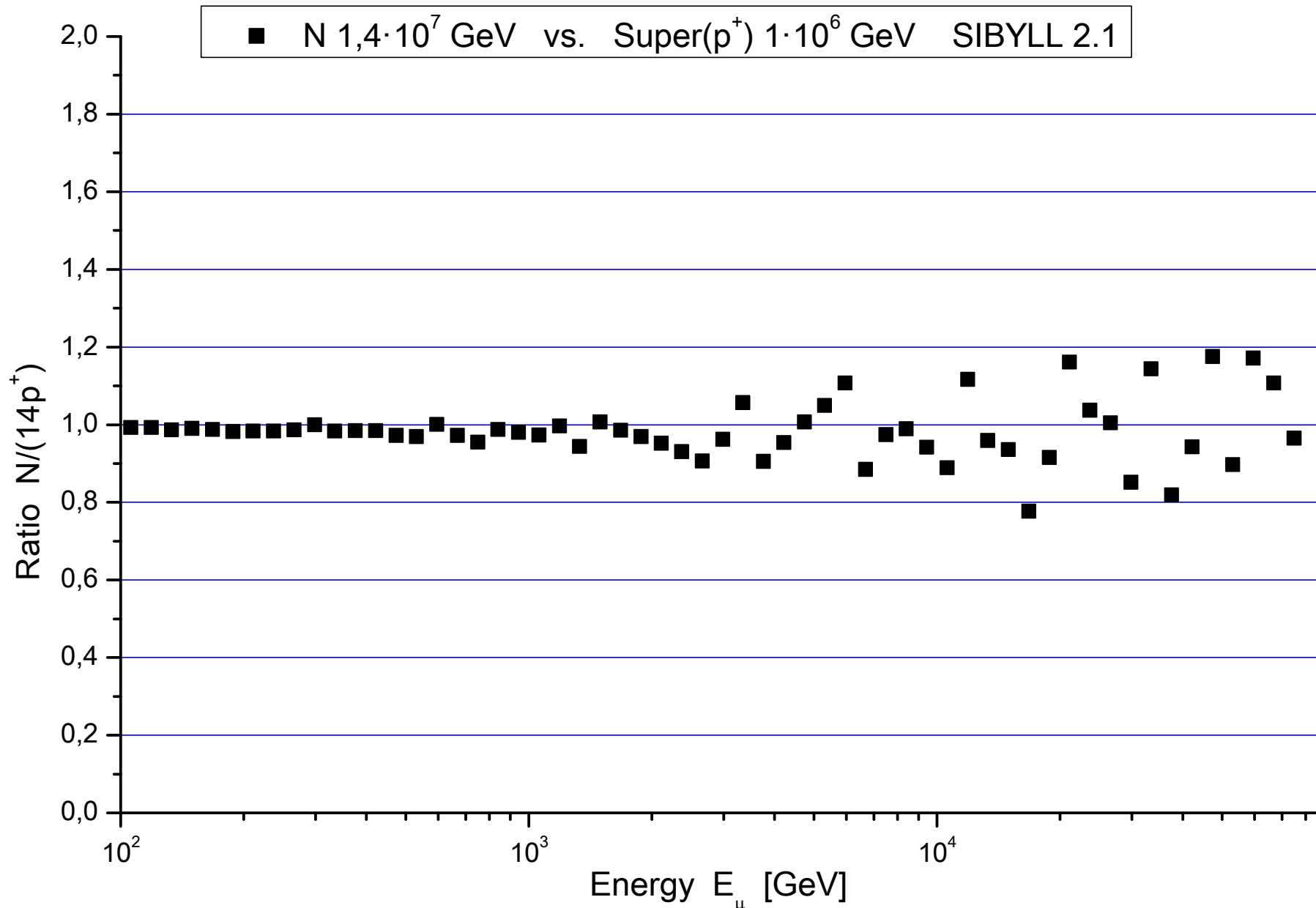
$$S_{He}(E_{\mu}, E_{He}) \approx 4 \cdot S_p \left(E_{\mu}, E_p = \frac{E_{He}}{4} \right)$$

$$S_N(E_{\mu}, E_N) \approx 14 \cdot S_p \left(E_{\mu}, E_p = \frac{E_N}{14} \right)$$

Superposition conception (result for SIBYLL)

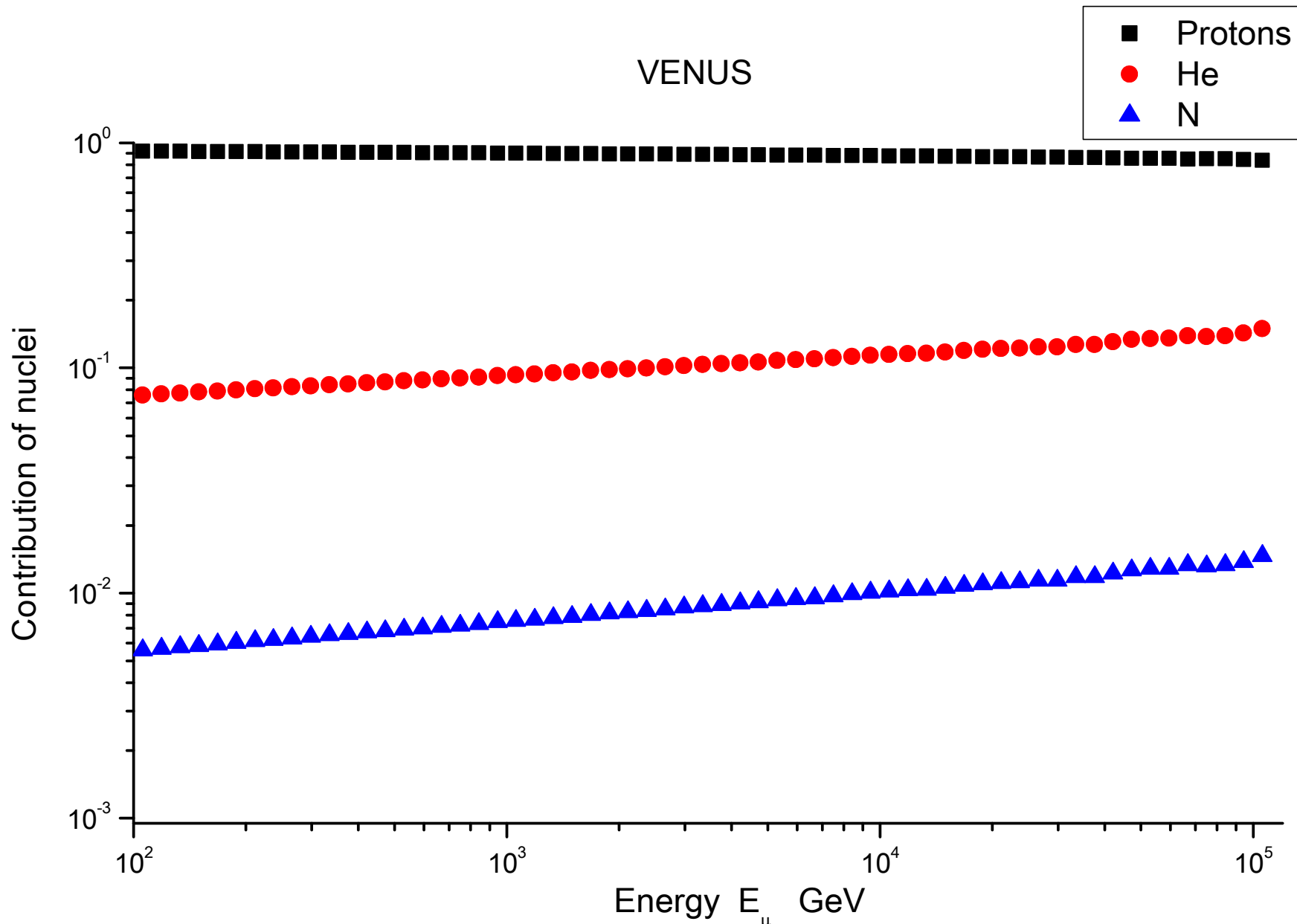


Superposition conception (result for SIBYLL)

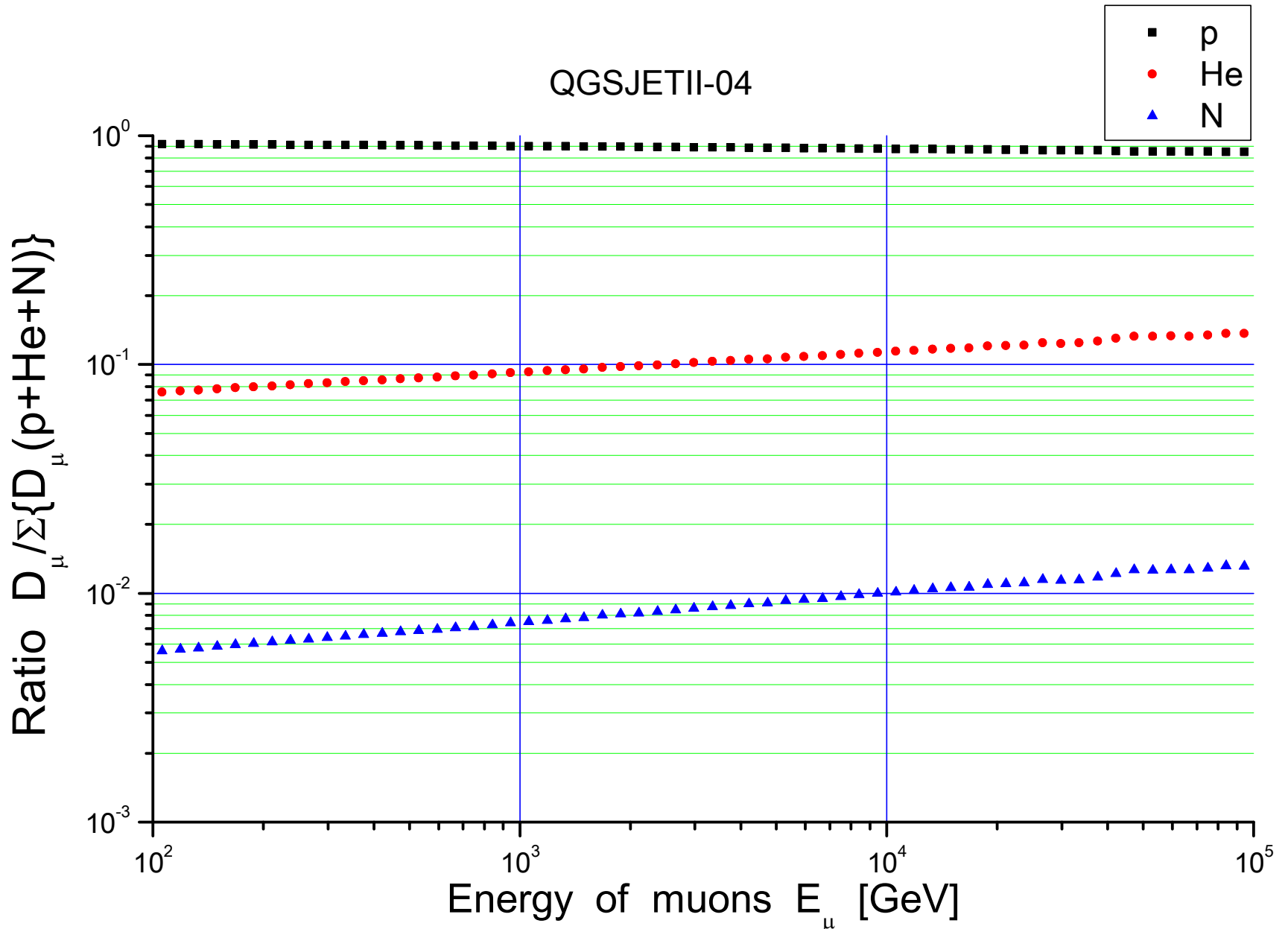


Partial contribution of primary nuclei

VENUS

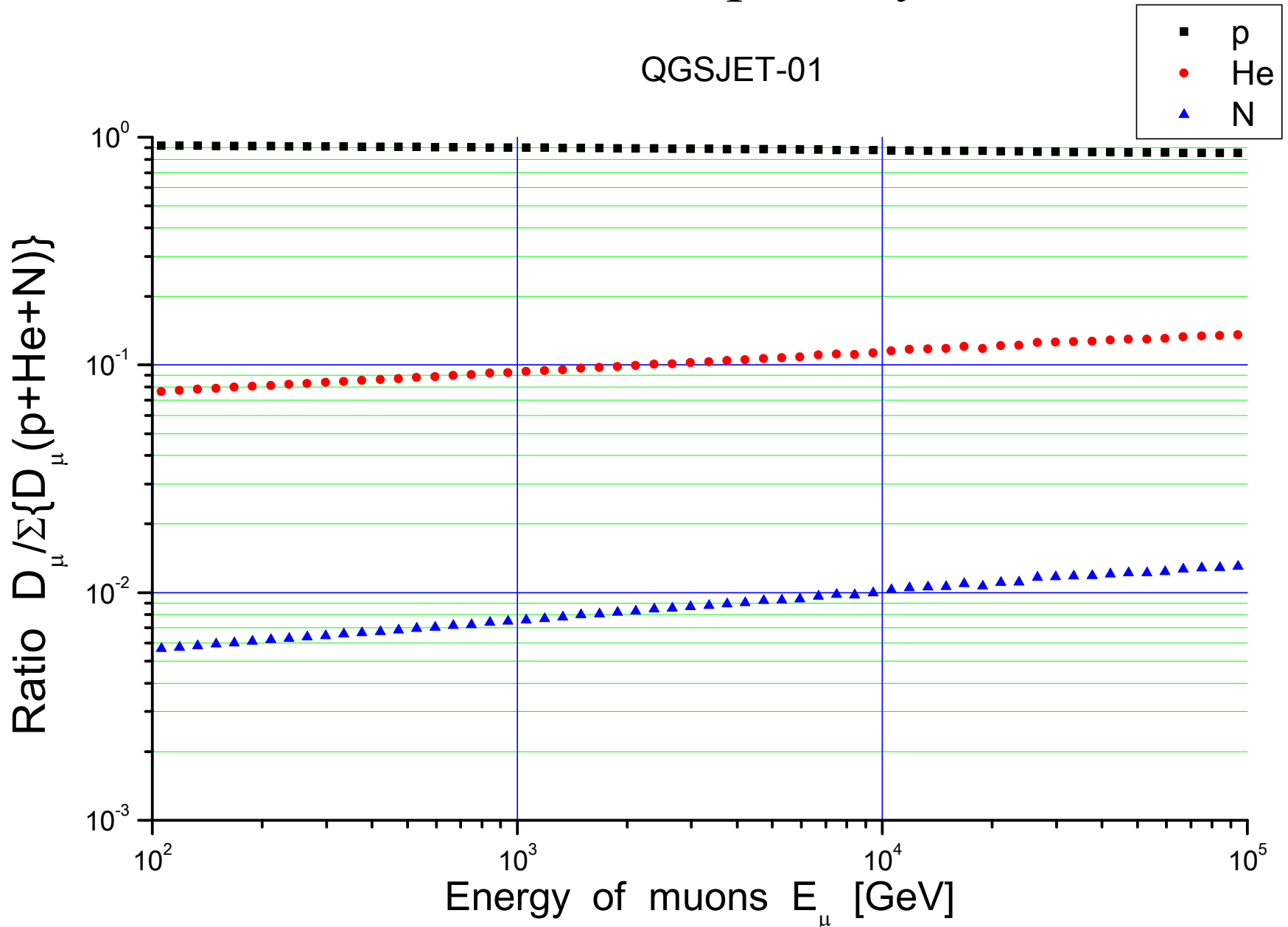


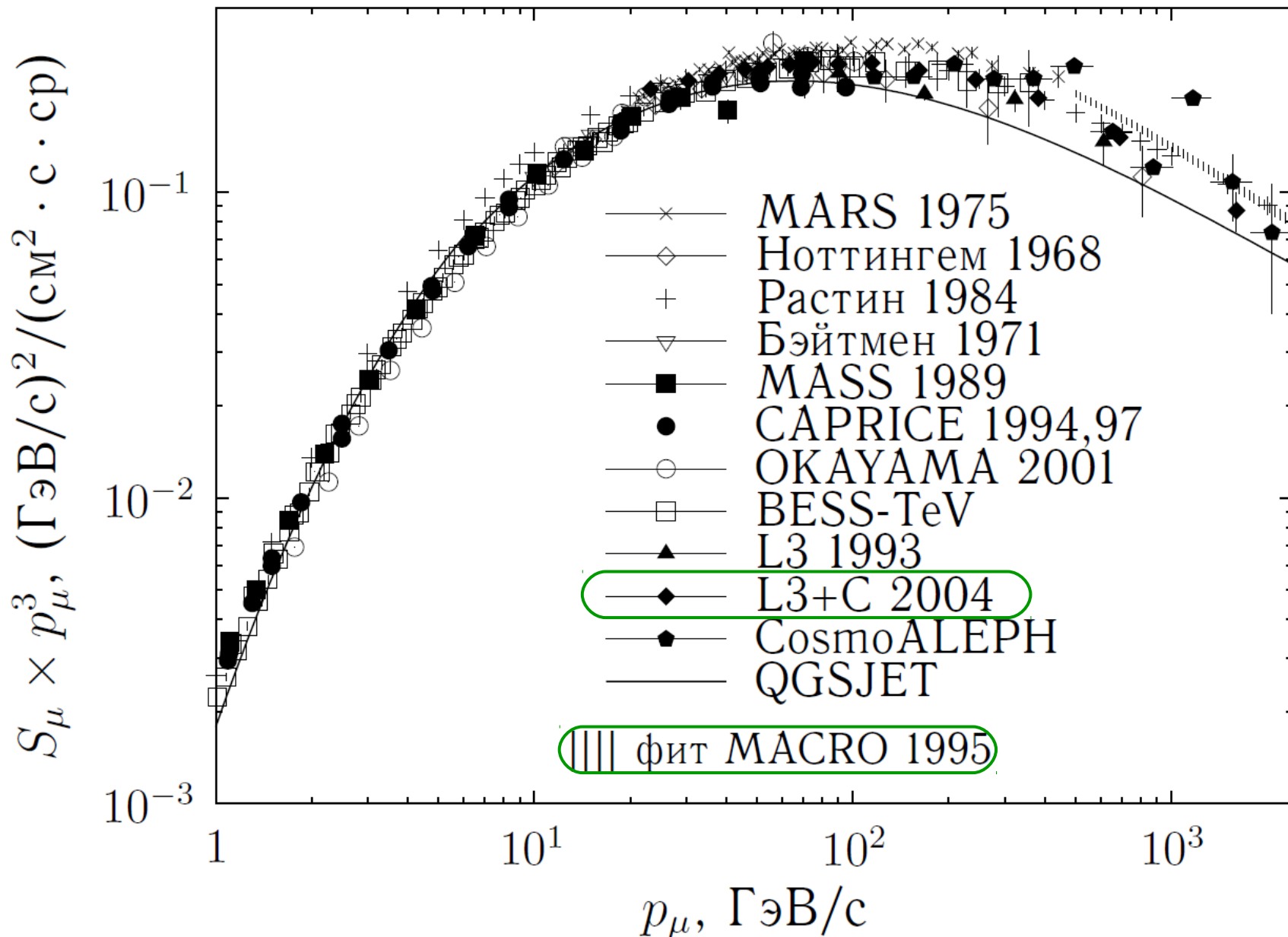
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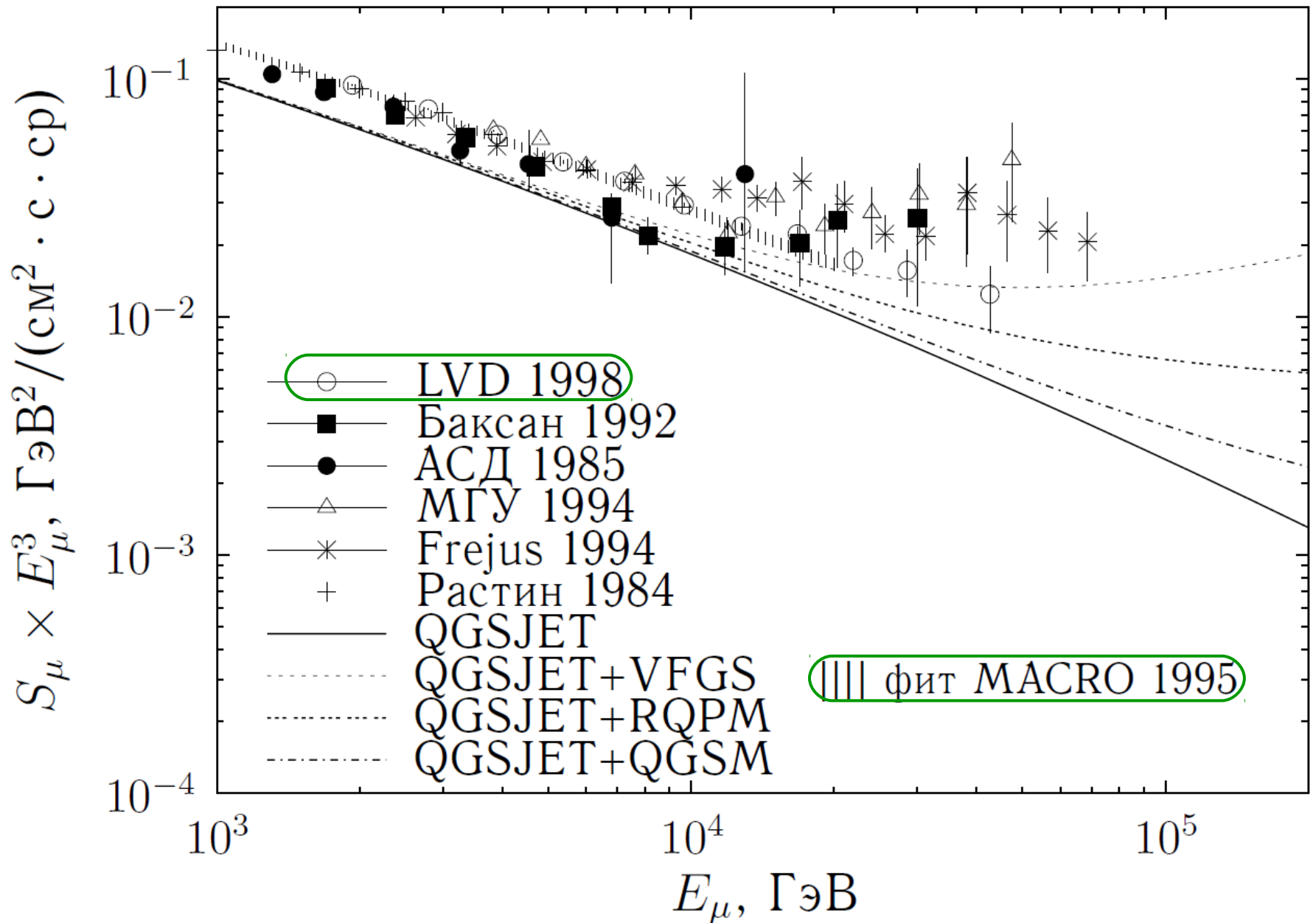


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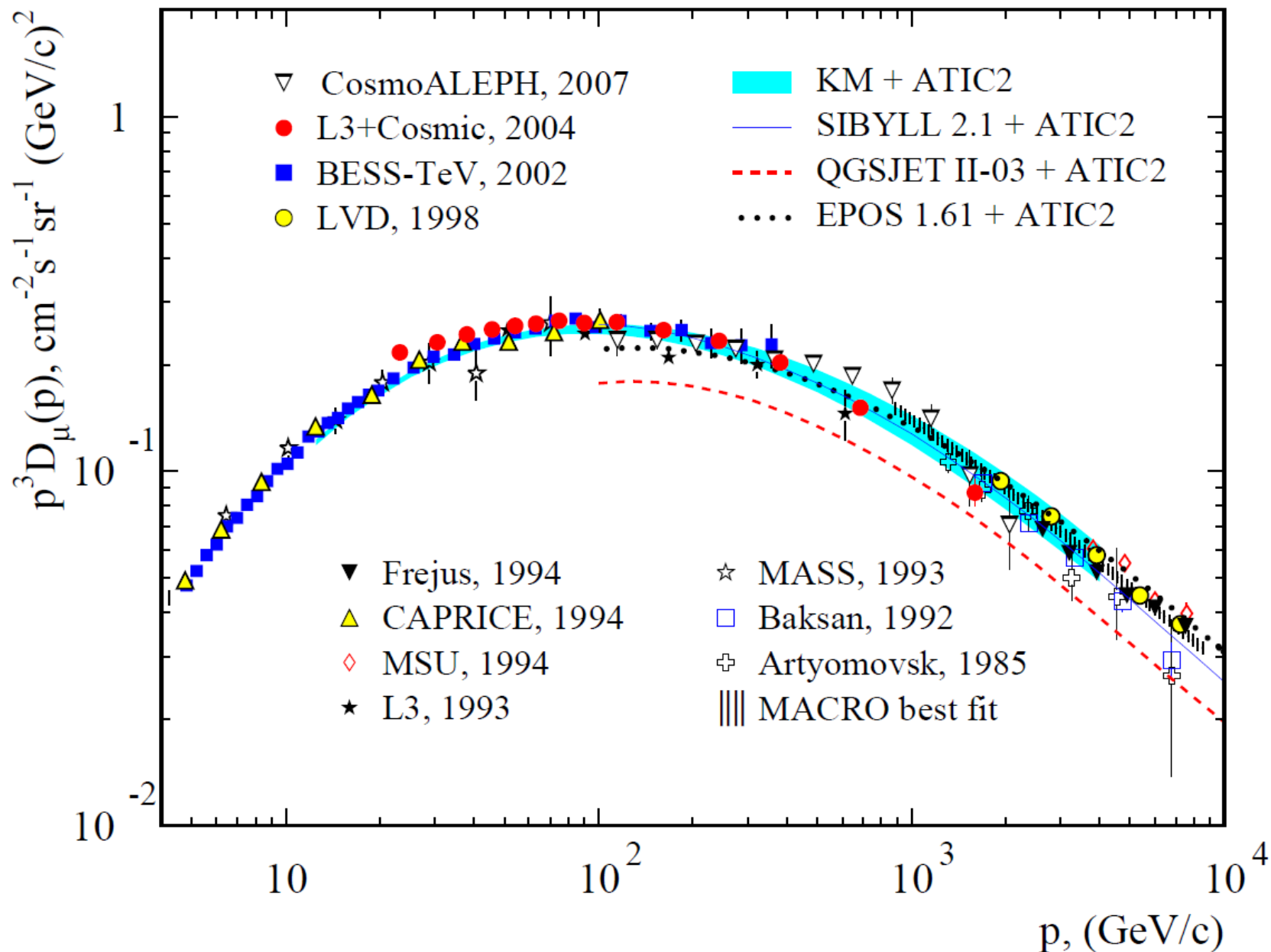
QGSJET-01







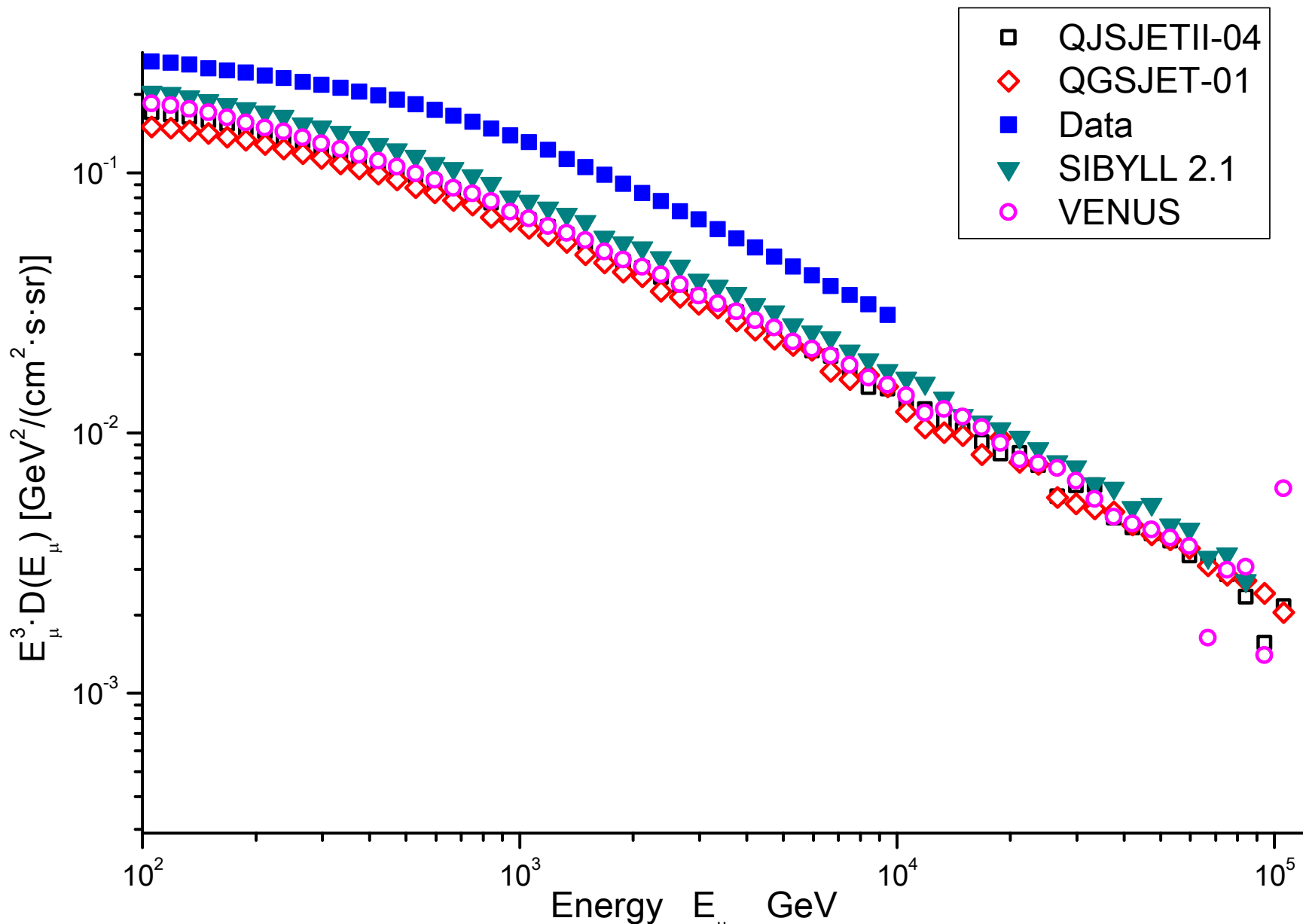
Alexander Kochanov PhD. Thesis



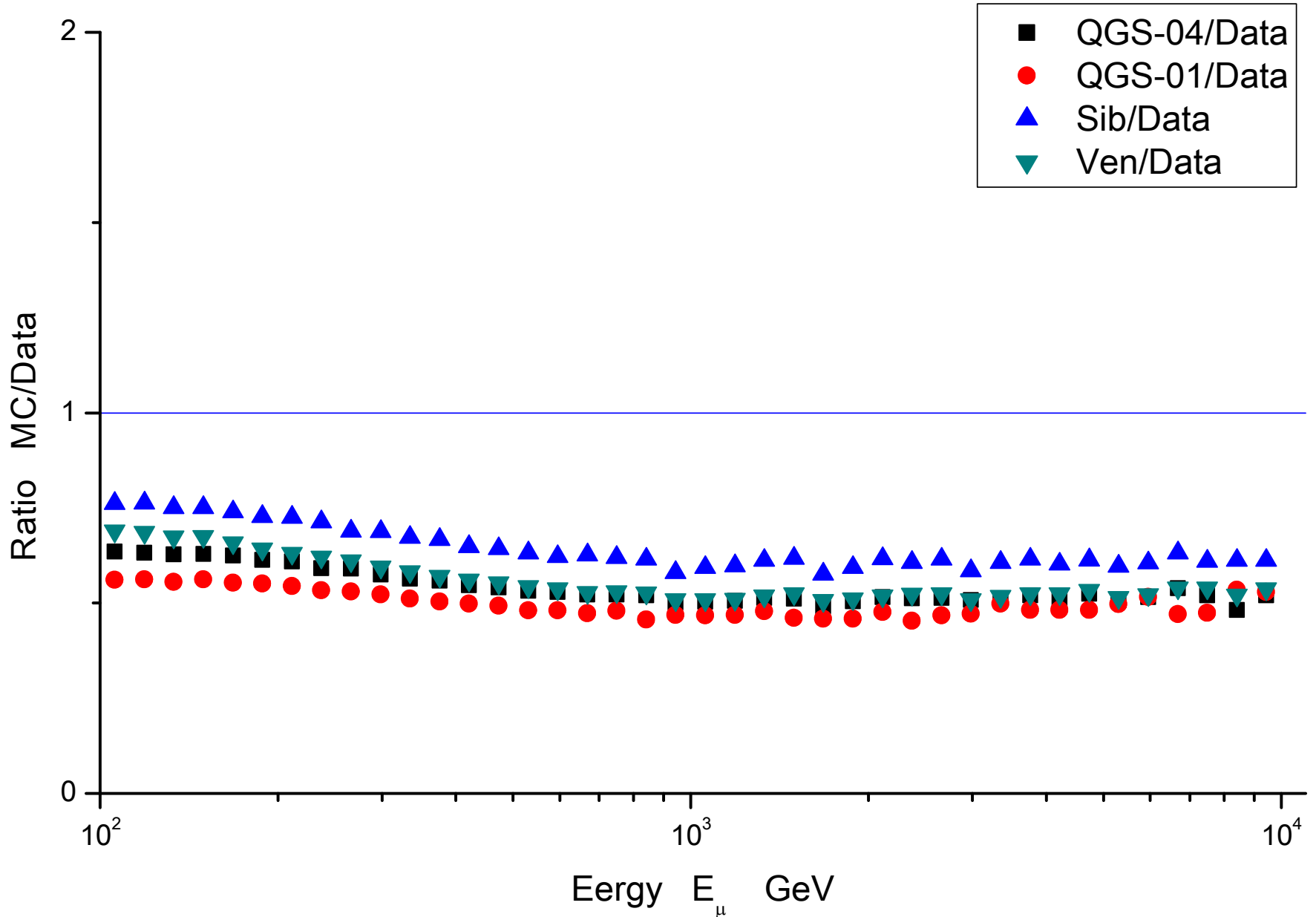
Data of the muon spectra

- 1) **L3+Cosmic**: arXiv: hep-ex 0408114v1K (2004)
- 2) **MACRO**: M. Ambrosio et al., Phys. Rev. D **52**, 3793, (1995)
- 3) **LVD**: M. Aglietta et al., arXiv: hep-ex 9806001v1, (1998)

Result of calculations



Result of calculations



Conclusion

- Primary protons takes the most significant contribution in muon spectrum.
- The VENUS model are shifted below the data by factor $\sim 1,42$.

Previous result

We do apologize for our mistake in input data for the atmosphere!

Previous result was incorrect! (Only the models QGSJET-01, QGSJETII-04, SIBYLL 2.1, EPOS 1.99 are incorrect, other models are correct!)

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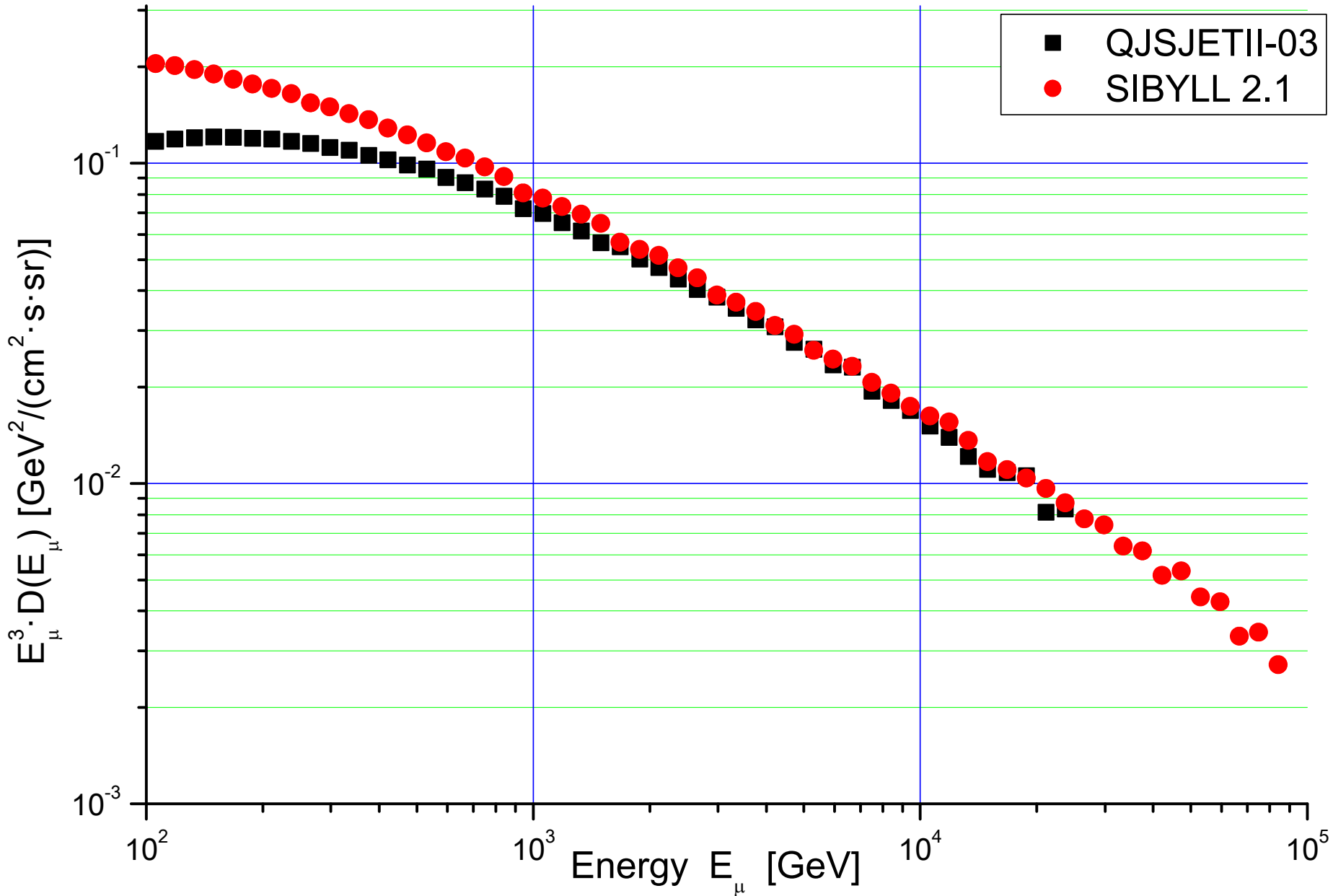
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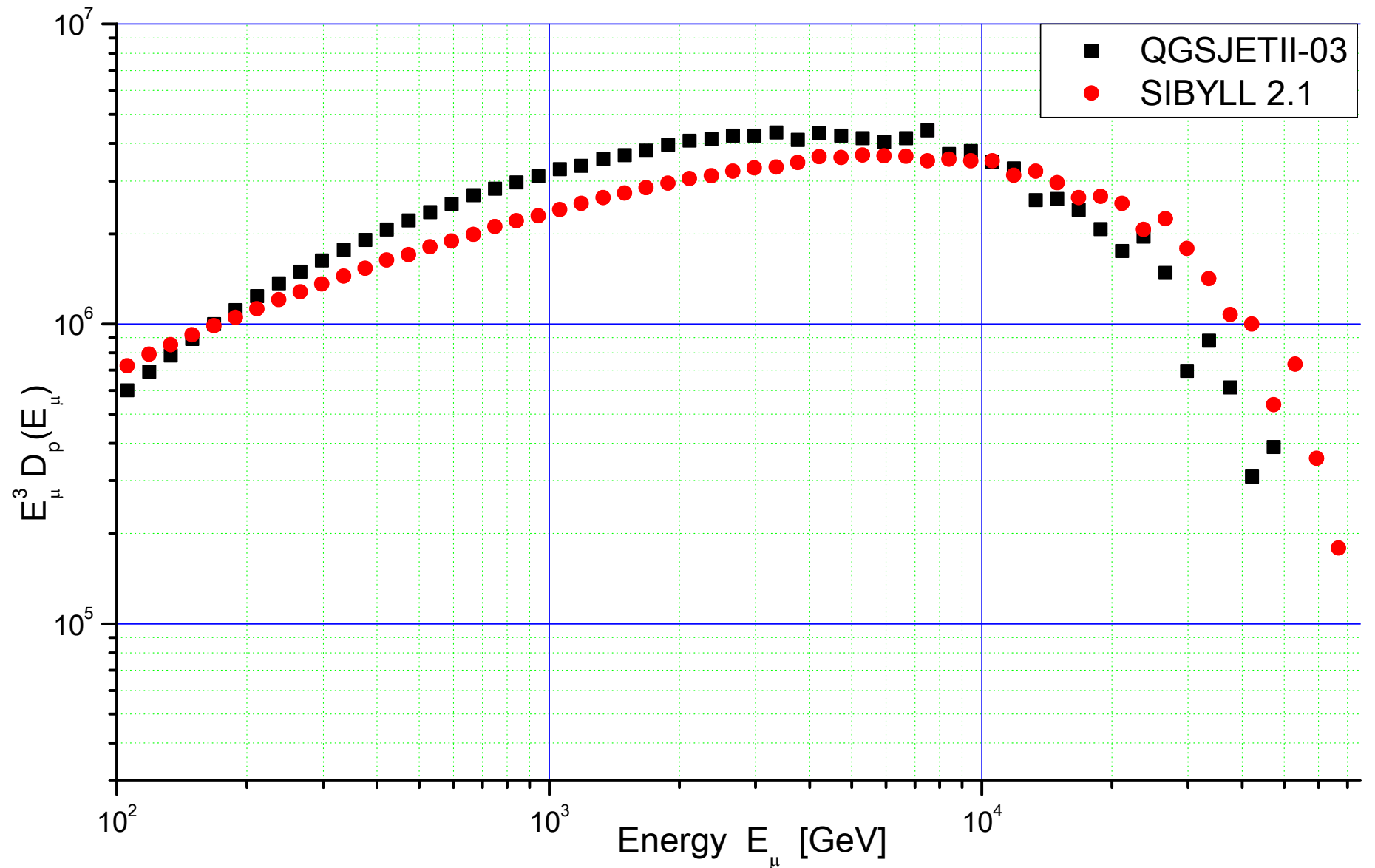
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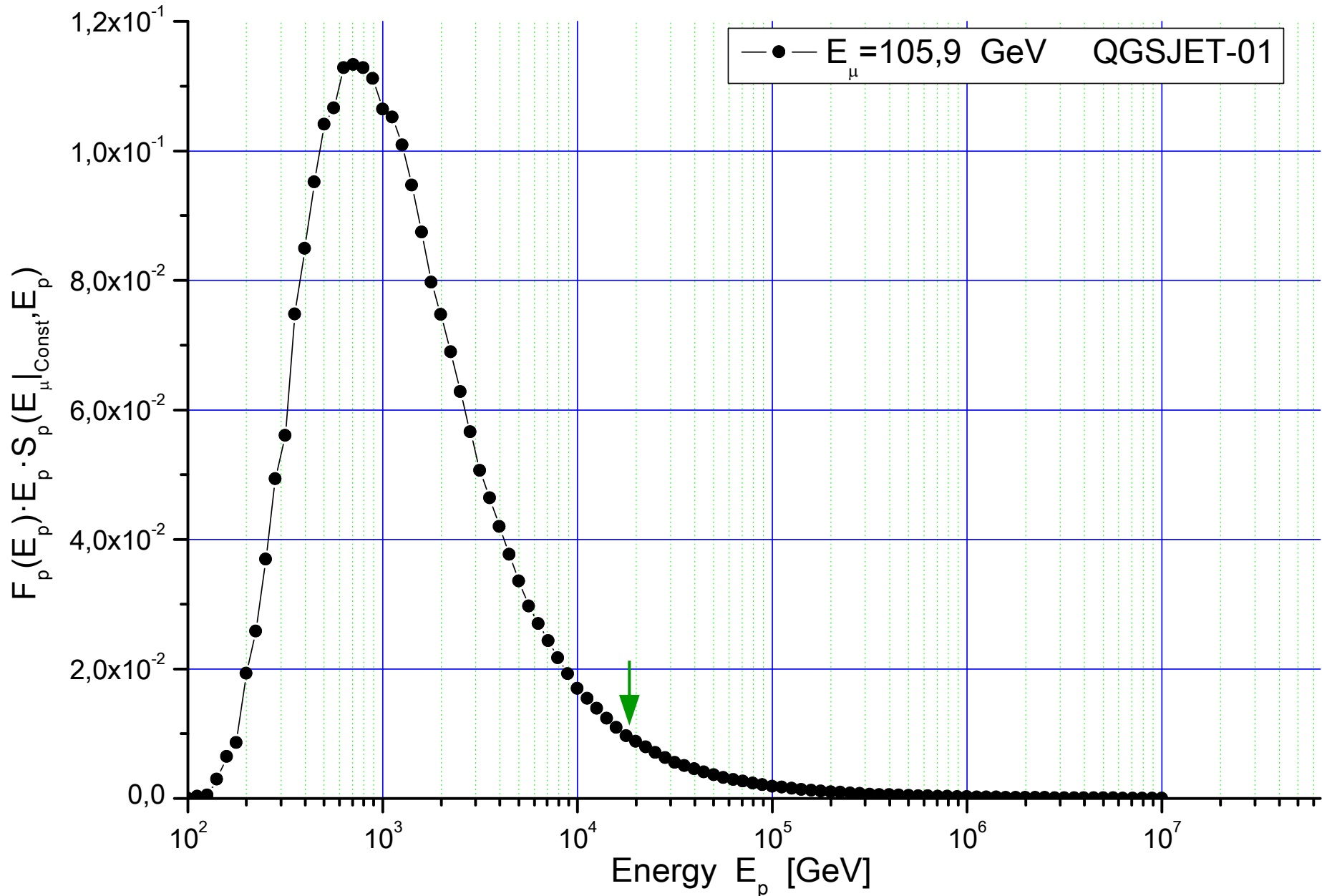
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Relative contribution in muons



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