

ELECTRONS, MUONS AND HADRONS IN EXTENSIVE AIR SHOWERS
AND HOW DO THEY DEPEND ON NUCLEAR INTERACTION MODEL
(Part II)

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Here we present some of the results of Monte Carlo simulations of extensive air showers for nuclear interaction models as outlined in our contribution HE 4.1-7 to this Conference.

In the notation used below, numbers in brackets () denote mean square errors in last decimal digit units. k, M, G, T and E stand for appropriate powers of 10. For the scarcity of place, the radial data on showers are not included.

Table 1. Average shower size at 1000 g/cm²

| E[eV] | Primary protons | | | | | Primary iron | |
|-------|-----------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|--------------|----------|
| | F-Y00 | M-Y00 | M-F00 | M-F01 | R-F01 | FF-Y00 | RM-F00 |
| 20 T | 1.09(6)k | | 1.17(5)k | | | .25(1)k | .31(1)k |
| 100 T | 10.8(5)k | 11.6(5)k | 8.5(4)k | 10.7(4)k | 10.2(6)k | 2.12(4)k | 2.41(4)k |
| 500 T | 88(3)k | | 64(3)k | | | 22.3(6)k | 21.8(3)k |
| 2 P | 539(20)k | | 331(14)k | | | 165(4)k | 139(3)k |
| 10 P | 3.21(6)M | 2.99(7)M | 2.28(6)M | 2.69(8)M | 2.21(7)M | 1.47(5)M | 1.08(2)M |
| 50 P | 20.2(4)M | | 15.2(4)M | | | 10.9(1)M | 7.7(2)M |
| 200 P | 92(1)M | | 69(2)M | | | 58(1)M | 40(1)M |
| 1 E | 507(7)M | 519(5)M | 411(10)M | 451(7)M | 391(6)M | 378(4)M | 261(4)M |

Table 2. Fluctuations of the shower size at 1000 g/cm² (s.d.of Log{base 10} Ne)

| E[eV] | Primary protons | | | | | Primary iron | |
|-------|-----------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|--------|
| | F-Y00 | M-Y00 | M-F00 | M-F01 | R-F01 | FF-Y00 | RM-F00 |
| 20 T | .42 | | .44 | | | .13 | .12 |
| 100 T | .33 | .33 | .34 | .35 | .34 | .13 | .13 |
| 500 T | .22 | | .26 | | | .12 | .10 |
| 2 P | .18 | | .19 | | | .08 | .07 |
| 10 P | .13 | .14 | .17 | .19 | .17 | .07 | .07 |
| 50 P | .10 | | .15 | | | .05 | .05 |
| 200 P | .07 | | .11 | | | .04 | .05 |
| 1 E | .06 | .05 | .09 | .09 | .09 | .03 | .04 |

Table 3. Average depth of shower maximum (g/cm^2)

| E[eV] | Primary protons | | | | | Primary iron | |
|-------|-----------------|----------|---------|--------|--------|--------------|--------|
| | F-Y00 | M-Y00 | M-F00 | M-F01 | R-F01 | FF-Y00 | RM-F00 |
| 20 T | 486(6) | | 481(5) | | | 307(2) | 306(2) |
| 100 T | 557(7) | 562(7) | 521(6) | 537(7) | 532(8) | 377(2) | 368(2) |
| 500 T | 621(7) | | 570(6) | | | 447(3) | 433(2) |
| 2 P | 698(10) | | 602(7) | | | 509(3) | 481(3) |
| 10 P | 735(6) | 712(6) | 653(5) | 671(6) | 639(7) | 583(4) | 535(3) |
| 50 P | 801(8) | | 708(7) | | | 643(3) | 587(3) |
| 200 P | > 865(8) | | 729(6) | | | 701(4) | 622(4) |
| 1 E | > 920(8) | > 872(7) | 777(10) | 784(6) | 742(4) | 773(5) | 669(4) |

Table 4. Average shower size at maximum (exactly: geometric mean values)

| E[eV] | Primary protons | | | | | Primary iron | |
|-------|-----------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|--------------|----------|
| | F-Y00 | M-Y00 | M-F00 | M-F01 | R-F01 | FF-Y00 | RM-F00 |
| 20 T | 10.6(1)k | | 10.9(1)k | | | 7.82(4)k | 7.50(3)k |
| 100 T | 56.9(7)k | 56.0(7)k | 58.3(6)k | 65.2(7)k | 63.7(8)k | 40.9(2)k | 39.6(2)k |
| 500 T | 289(3)k | | 310(3)k | | | 225(1)k | 223(1)k |
| 2 P | 1.15(2)M | | 1.26(2)M | | | 957(4)M | 982(4)k |
| 10 P | 5.74(5)M | 6.01(6)M | 6.55(4)M | 6.95(5)M | 7.18(6)M | 5.12(2)M | 5.38(2)M |
| 50 P | 28.8(3)M | | 33.3(3)M | | | 26.2(1)M | 28.8(2)M |
| 200 P | 111(2)M | | 134(1)M | | | 106(1)M | 118(1)M |
| 1 E | 552(9)M | 614(5)M | 662(7)M | 703(5)M | 726(3)M | 530(3)M | 610(2)M |

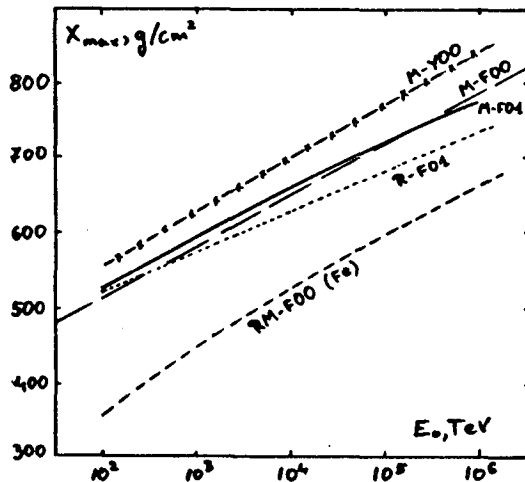


Fig.1. The depth of maximum for some of our models.

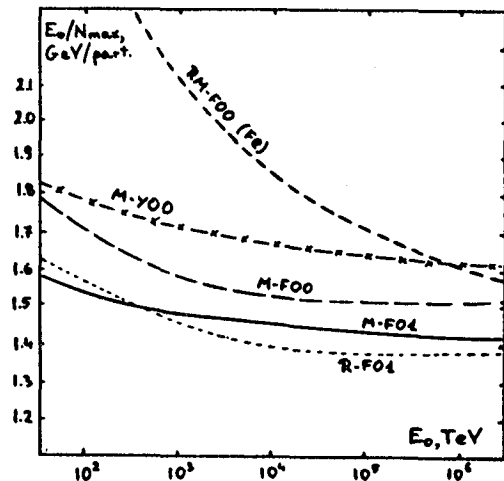


Fig.2. Energy per electron at the shower maximum.

Table 5. Fluctuations in shower size at maximum (s.d. of Log {base 10} Ne{max})

| E[eV] | Primary protons | | | | | Primary iron | |
|-------|-----------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|--------|
| | F-Y00 | M-Y00 | M-F00 | M-F01 | R-F01 | FF-Y00 | RM-F00 |
| 20 T | .10 | | .09 | | | .032 | .033 |
| 100 T | .08 | .08 | .08 | .07 | .07 | .027 | .029 |
| 500 T | .07 | | .06 | | | .021 | .022 |
| 2 P | .06 | | .05 | | | .017 | .014 |
| 10 P | .06 | .06 | .04 | .05 | .04 | .015 | .015 |
| 50 P | .06 | | .04 | | | .014 | .011 |
| 200 P | .07 | | .04 | | | .009 | .014 |
| 1 E | .07 | .04 | .04 | .04 | .02 | .013 | .008 |

Model M-F00 was also run at primary proton energy of 100 EeV (or 10^{20} eV); 151 showers at 1000 g/cm² and 64 at 1400 g/cm² were simulated. Number of electrons at 1000 g/cm² was 59.5(5) G, its fluctuations .04, at maximum (average depth 906(5) g/cm²): 66.1(5) G and .024, respectively.

Table 6. The average muon number at 1000 g/cm².

(a) at E > 2 GeV

| E[eV] | Primary protons | | | | | Primary iron | |
|-------|-----------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|--------------|-----------|
| | F-Y00 | M-Y00 | M-F00 | M-F01 | R-F01 | FF-Y00 | RM-F00 |
| 20 T | .36(1)k | | .34(1)k | | | .64(1)k | .64(1)k |
| 100 T | 1.55(3)k | 1.53(2)k | 1.43(3)k | 1.09(2)k | 1.06(2)k | 2.32(2)k | 2.30(2)k |
| 500 T | 6.6(1)k | | 6.1(1)k | | | 9.57(6)k | 9.24(4)k |
| 2 P | 22.4(5)k | | 21.0(3)k | | | 34.2(2)k | 32.3(3)k |
| 10 P | 90(2)k | 91(2)k | 82(1)k | 52.9(6)k | 51.9(8)k | 147.6(6)k | 136.1(6)k |
| 50 P | 337(6)k | | 334(4)k | | | 612(2)k | 567(3)k |
| 200 P | 1.03(3)M | | 1.08(2)M | | | 2.03(2)M | 1.90(1)M |
| 1 E | 3.71(14)M | 4.54(9)M | 4.14(7)M | 2.33(4)M | 2.38(3)M | 7.87(5)M | 7.60(3)M |

(b) at E > 200 GeV

| E[eV] | Primary protons | | | | | Primary iron | |
|-------|-----------------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------------|--------|
| | F-Y00 | M-Y00 | M-F00 | M-F01 | R-F01 | FF-Y00 | RM-F00 |
| 20 T | 3.1 | | 2.9 | | | <.1 | <.1 |
| 100 T | 8.4 | 8.5 | 8.7 | 8.5 | 8.6 | 7.8 | 7.5 |
| 500 T | 29 | | 32 | | | 73 | 77 |
| 2 P | 83 | | 97 | | | 207 | 223 |
| 10 P | 299 | 330 | 342 | 254 | 279 | 692 | 773 |
| 50 P | 1.03 k | | 1.24 k | | | 2.43 k | 2.71 k |
| 200 P | 2.88 k | | 3.96 k | | | 7.11 k | 8.25 k |
| 1 E | 10.5 k | 13.6 k | 13.8 k | 9.3 k | 10.7 k | 24.5 k | 30.1 k |

Table 7. The average hadron number above 2 GeV at 1000 g/cm².

| E[eV] | Primary protons | | | | | Primary iron | |
|-------|-----------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|--------------|----------|
| | F-Y00 | M-Y00 | M-F00 | M-F01 | R-F01 | FF-Y00 | RM-F00 |
| 20 T | 4.3(3) | | 4.8(3) | | | 2.0(2) | 4.2(3) |
| 100 T | 34(3) | 38(3) | 27(2) | 17(2) | 19(2) | 11(1) | 17(1) |
| 500 T | 244(11) | | 168(8) | | | 88(3) | 96(2) |
| 2 P | 1.33(6)k | | 701(32) | | | 554(15) | 500(13) |
| 10 P | 6.7(2)k | 5.9(2)k | 3.7(2)k | 1.95(9)k | 1.65(9)k | 4.41(9)k | 3.19(6)k |
| 50 P | 34(2)k | | 18.3(7)k | | | 28.8(4)k | 18.0(5)k |
| 200 P | 131(4)k | | 65(3)k | | | 131(3)k | 78(2)k |
| 1 E | 566(19)k | 550(15)k | 293(12)k | 130(6)k | 106(5)k | 711(10)k | 388(8)k |

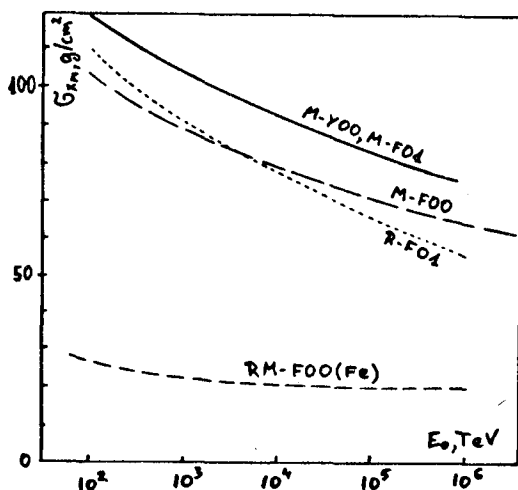


Fig.3. Fluctuations in the depth of maximum.

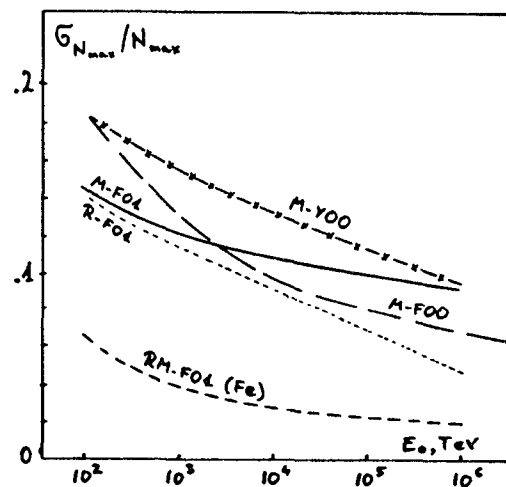


Fig.4. Relative fluctuations of the shower size at maximum.

[One more model was used for EAS generation: M-F10, with all features exactly like M-F00, but with quite different multiplicity distributions. All shower characteristics checked by us were in statistically good agreement between these models].

In principle, the data shown here should speak for themselves. We would like, however, conclude with three remarks:

- * The most significant part of scaling violation effect is generated by the inclusion of rising cross-section.
- * Among the models considered the lowest value for $E_0/N[\max]$ is obtained when rapidly rising cross-section and charge exchange are both included (model R-F01). The value is still 1.38 GeV/electron.
- * Except at the highest energies, the sensitivity to atomic mass of the primary is greater than to specific assumptions about multiple production.