

CTA : toward deep insight into the very high energy Universe

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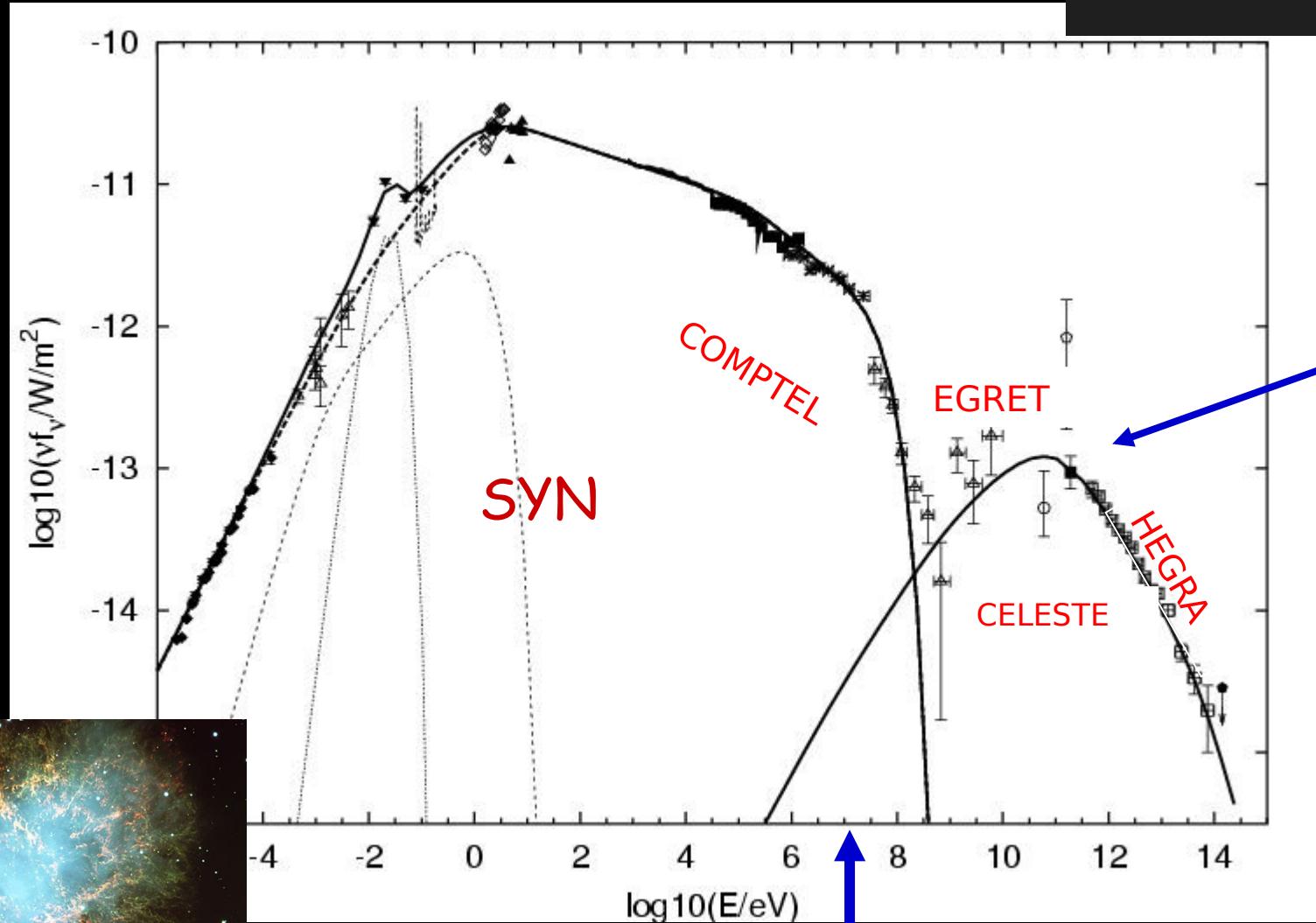
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Chandra
animation



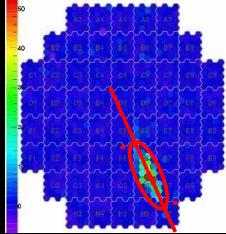
Crab nebula spectrum



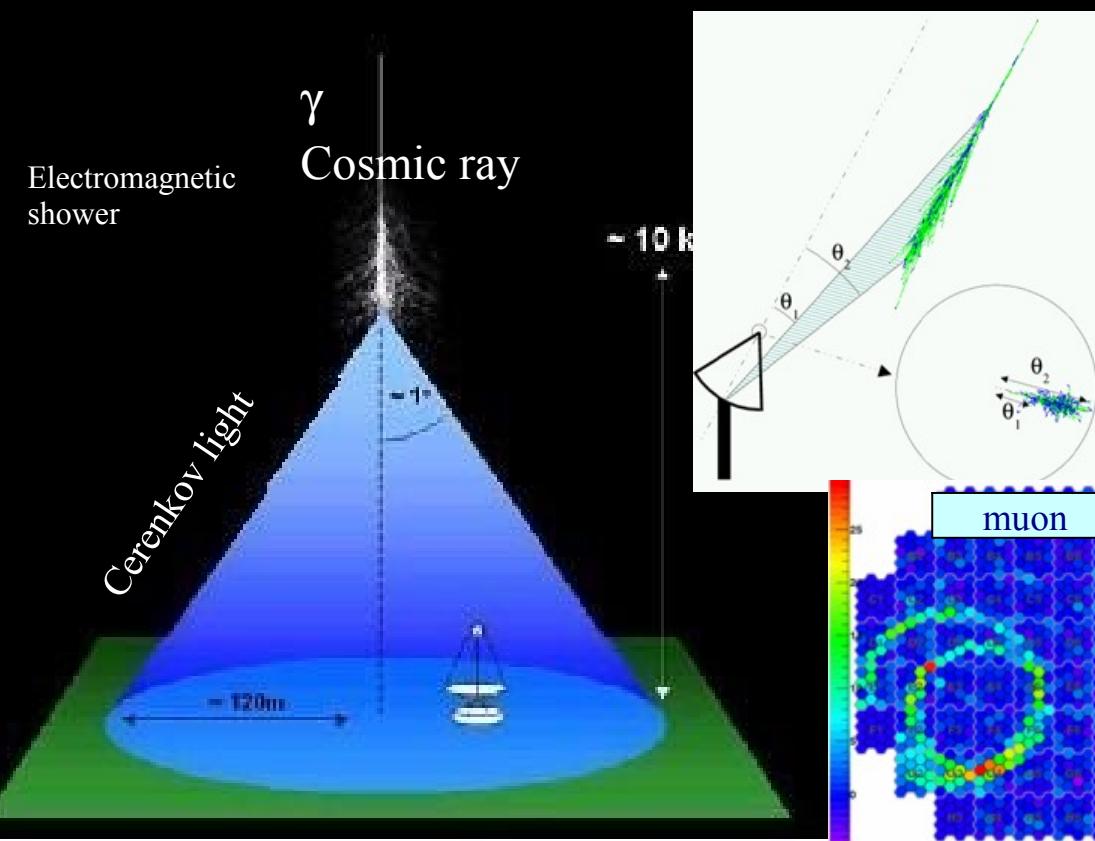
IC: syn,
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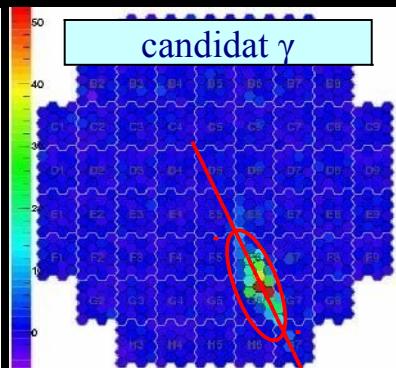
Atmospheric Cherenkov Telescopes



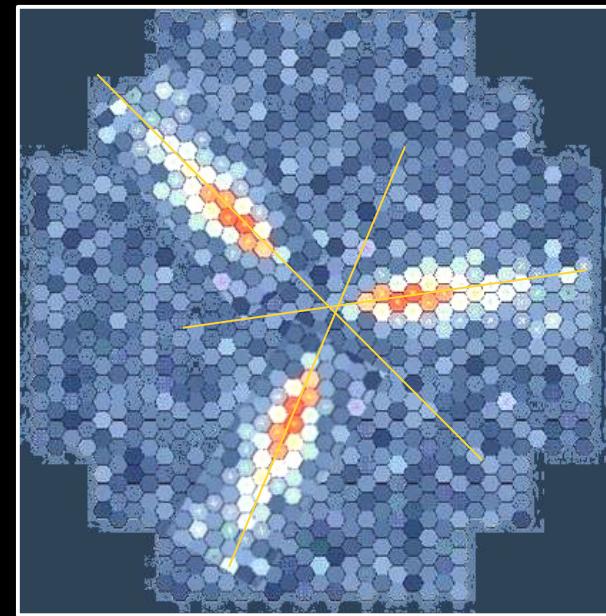
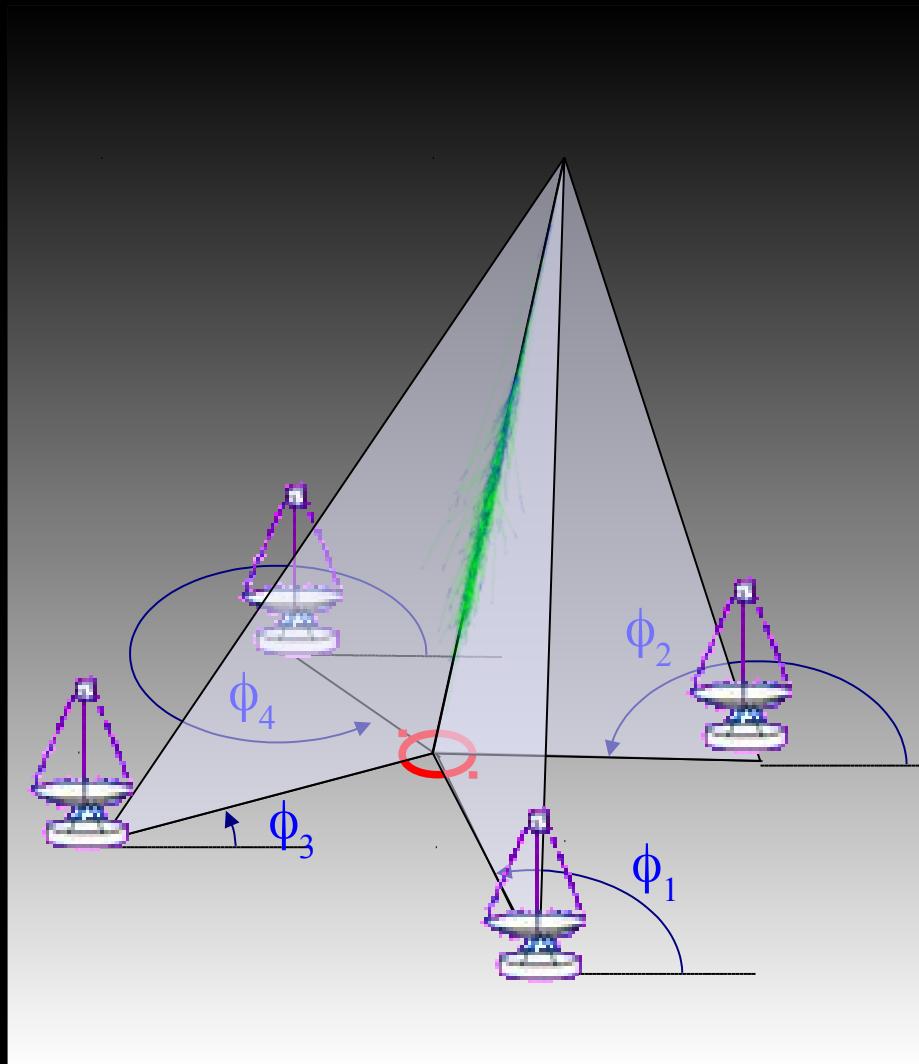
- Cherenkov light-pool ~ 120 m
- Image the shower on a fast camera ($\Delta T \sim 2$ ns)
- Large effective area $\sim 10^5$ m²
even with modest reflector



- Key parameter : speed (< 10 ns)
- Image shape used in discrimination



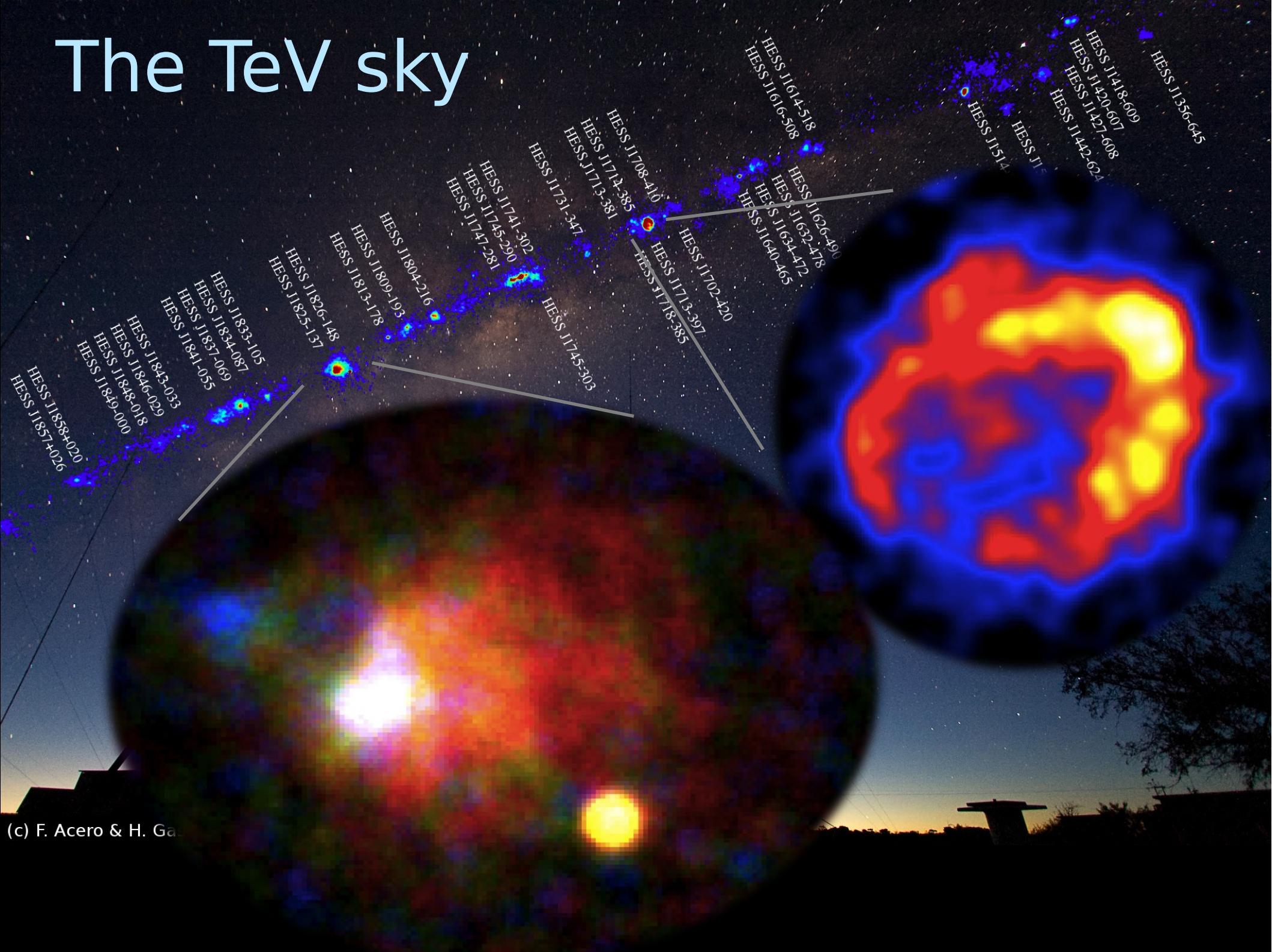
Stereoscopy



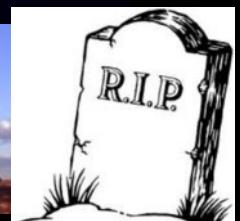
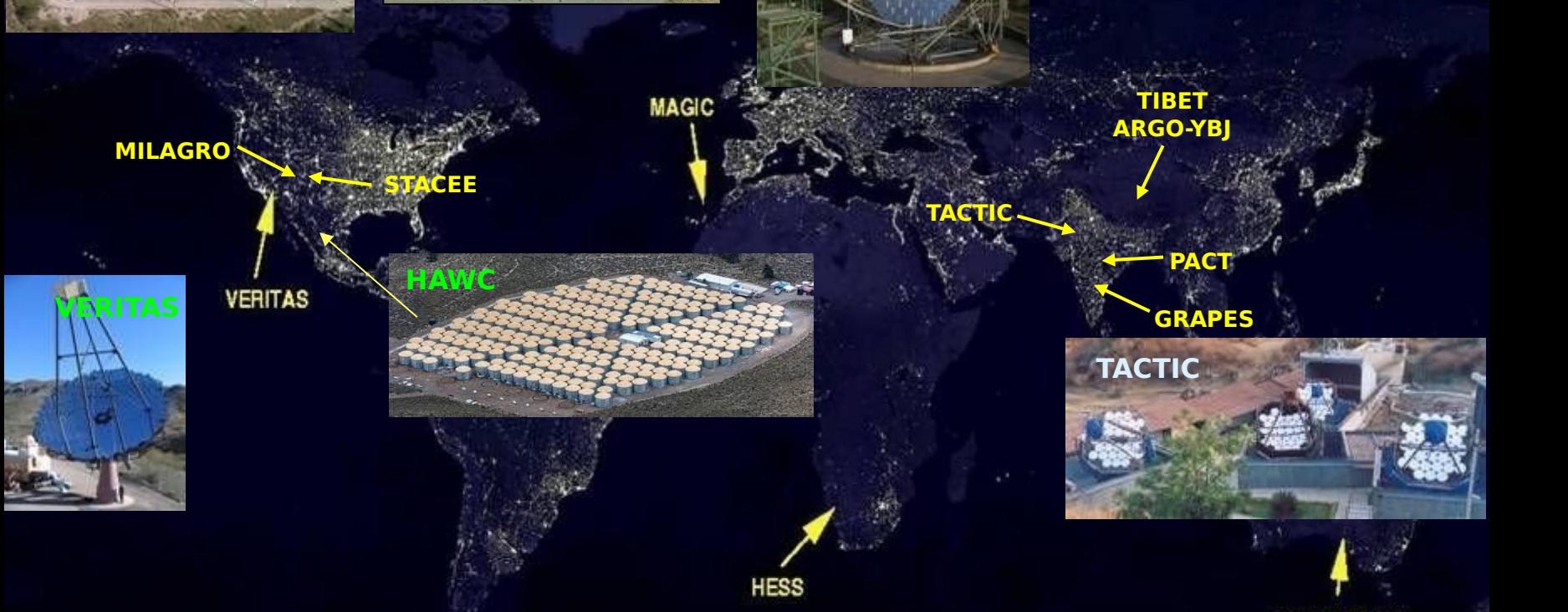
Superimposed images of 3 telescopes

- Stereoscopic observation of the same showers allow a much easier, almost geometric reconstruction

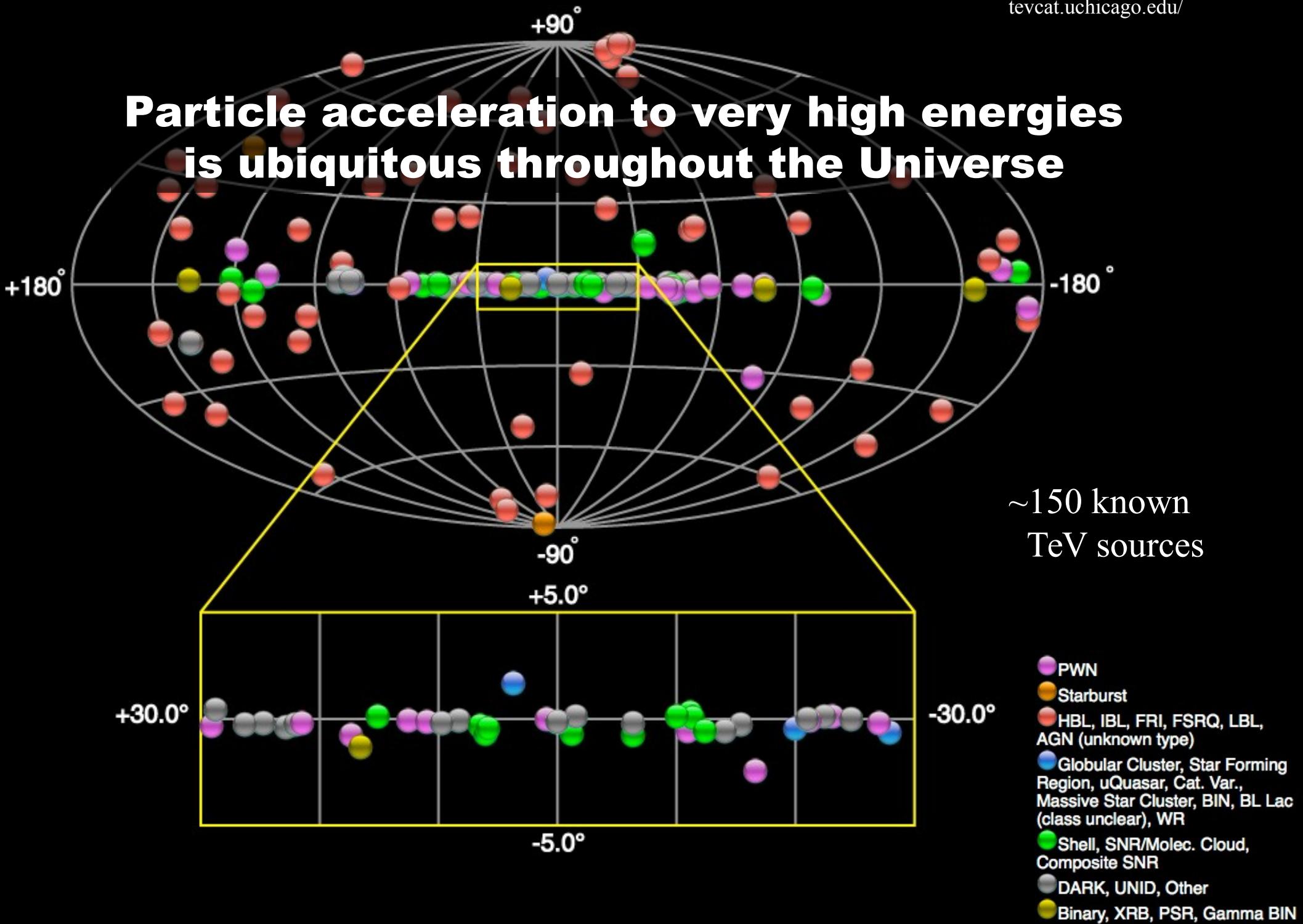
The TeV sky



VHE γ -ray world



Particle acceleration to very high energies is ubiquitous throughout the Universe



Toward a more powerful observatory:

Cherenkov Telescope Array (CTA)





Theme 1: Cosmic Particle Acceleration

- How and where are particles accelerated?
- How do they propagate?
- What is their impact on the environment?

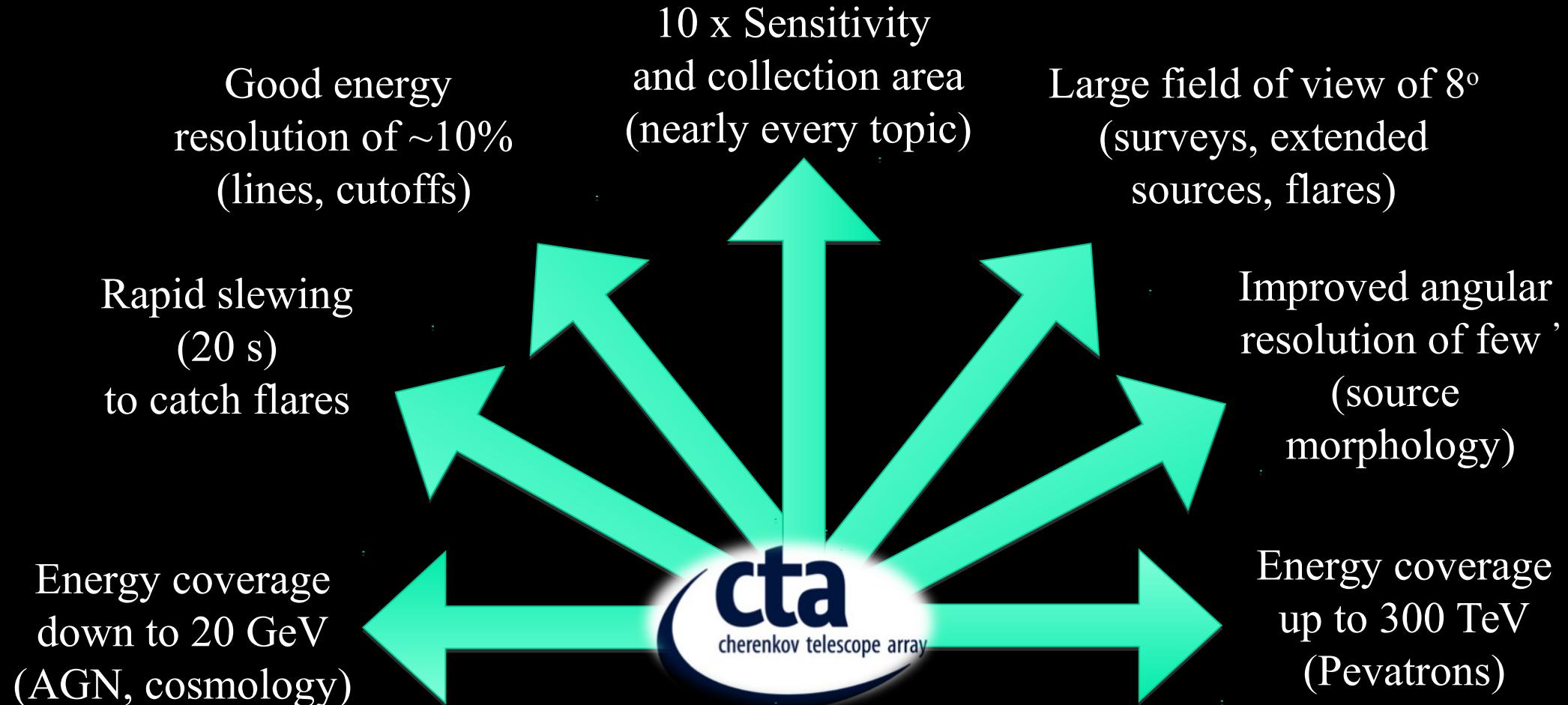
Theme 2: Probing Extreme Environments

- Processes close to neutron stars and black holes?
- Processes in relativistic jets, winds and explosions?
- Exploring cosmic voids

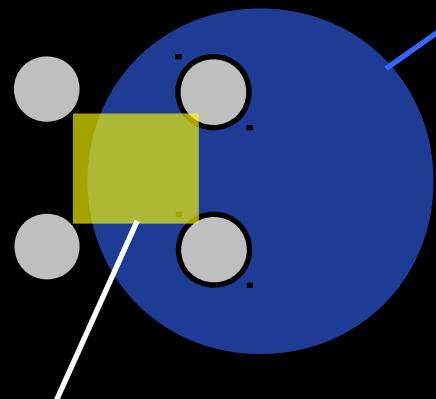
Theme 3: Physics frontiers - beyond the SM

- What is the nature of Dark Matter? How is it distributed?
- Is the speed of light a constant for high energy photons?
- Do axion-like particles exist?

Requirements & drivers



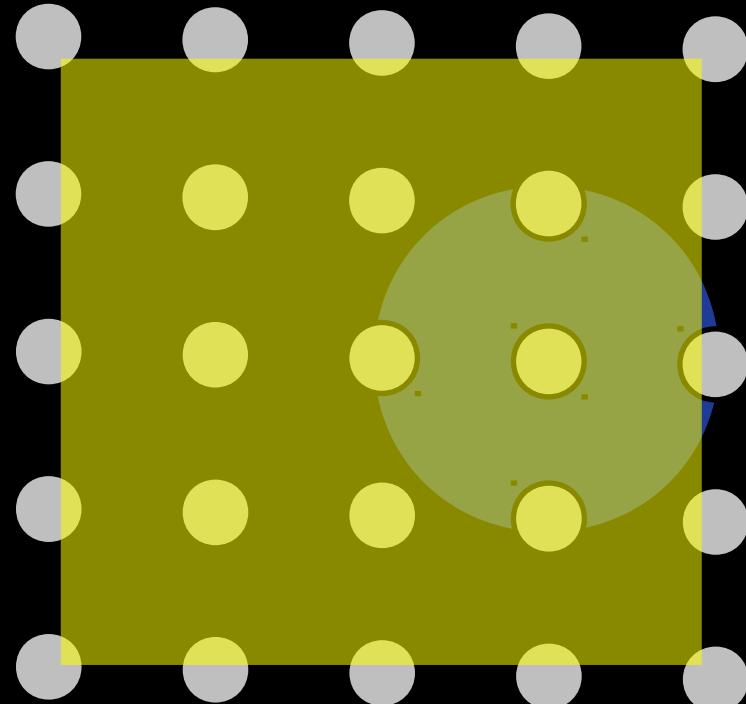
From current arrays to CTA



light pool radius
 $R \approx 100\text{-}150\text{ m}$
 \approx typical telescope spacing

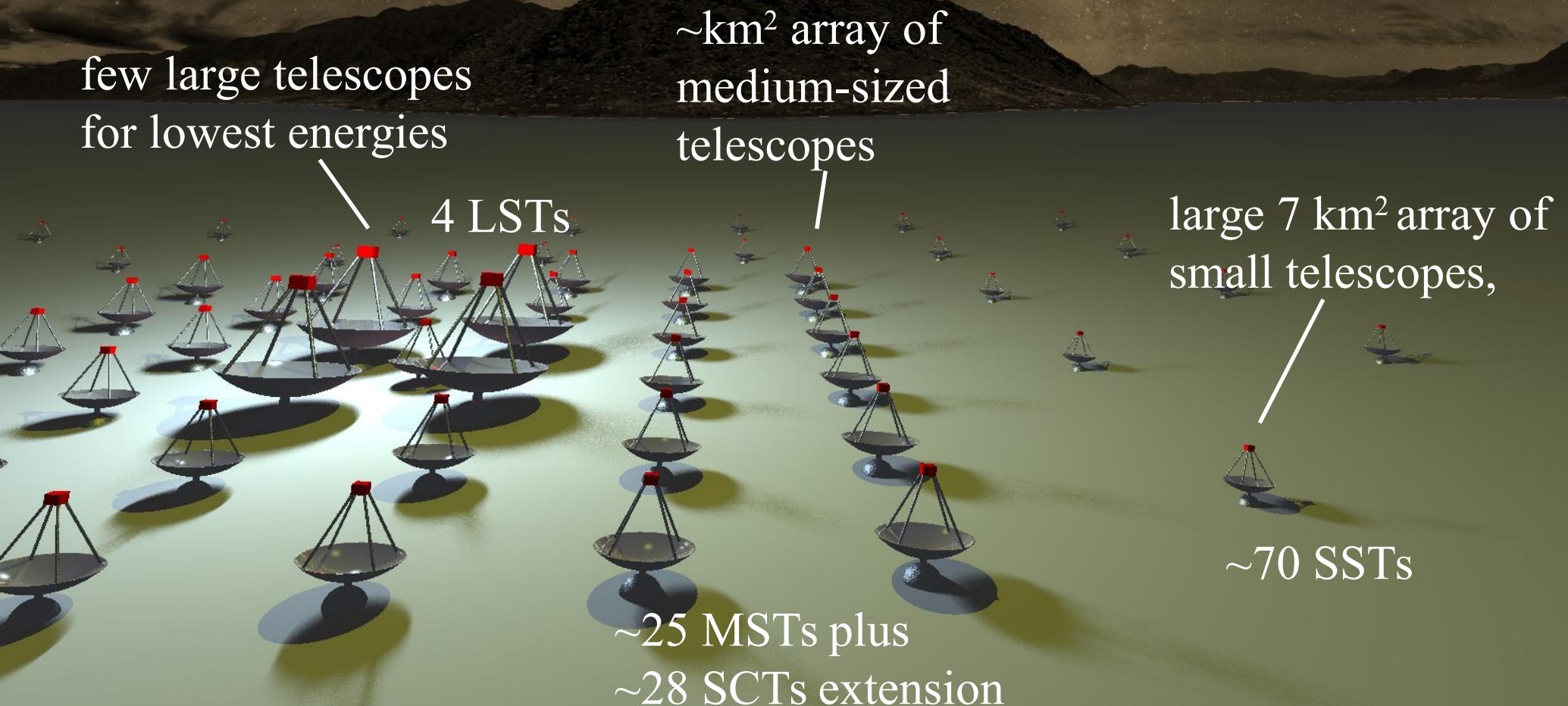
Sweet spot for
best triggering
and reconstruction:
most showers miss it!

large detection area
more images per shower
lower trigger threshold



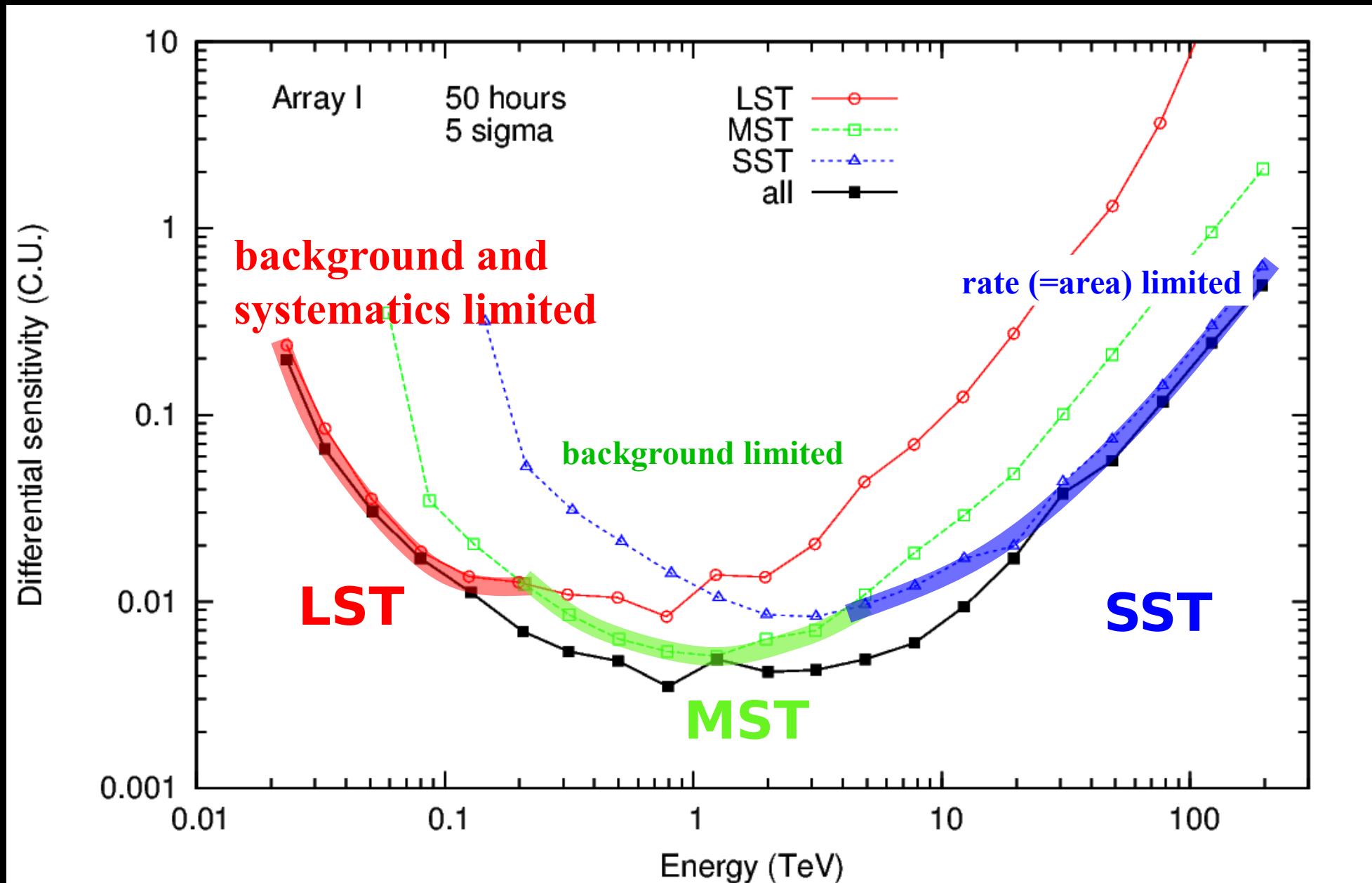
Science-optimization under budget constraints:

- Low-energy γ high γ -ray rate, low light yield
→ require small ground area, large mirror area
- High-energy γ low γ -rate, high light yield
→ require large ground area, small mirror area

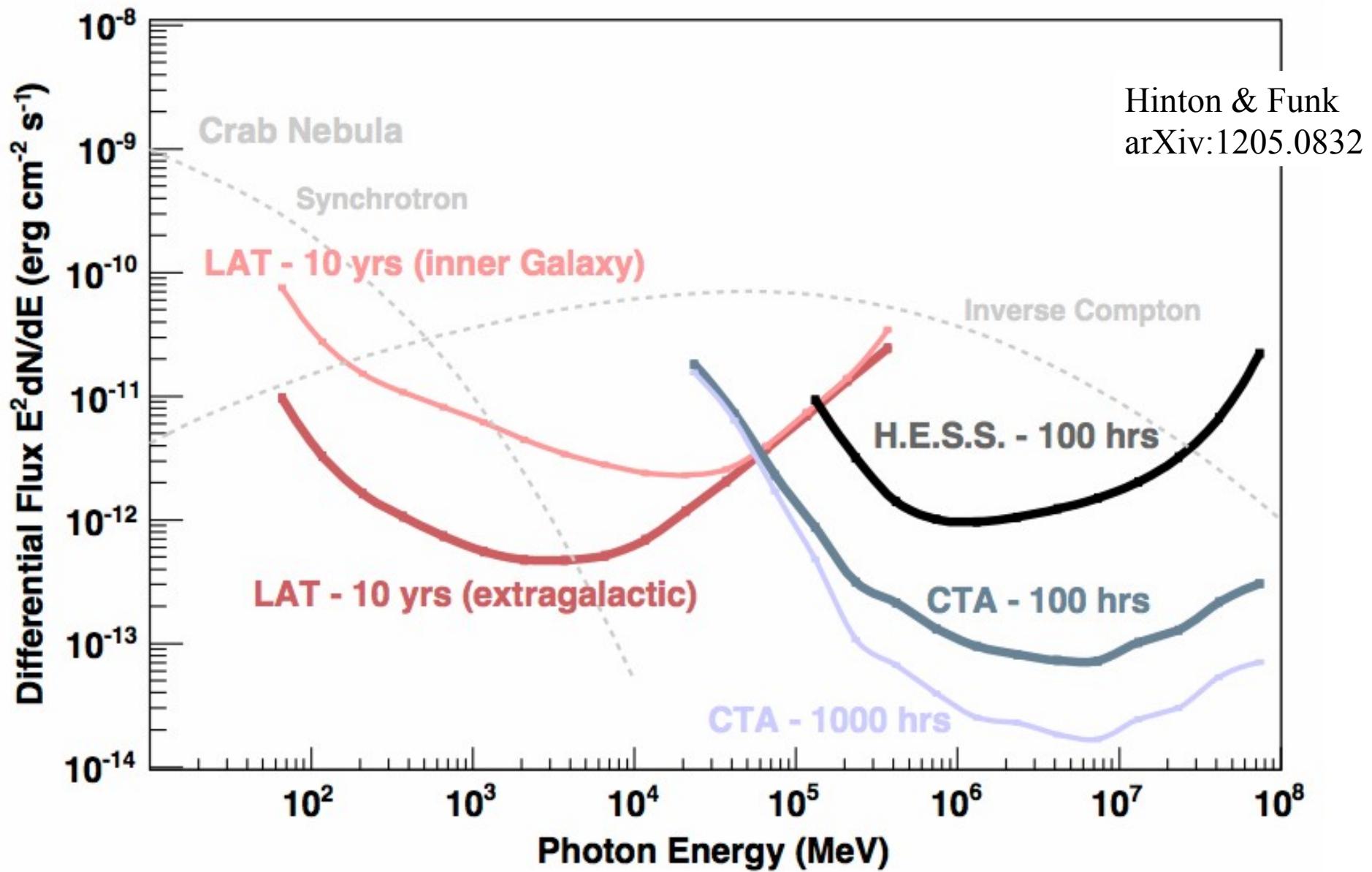


Sensitivity (in units of Crab flux)

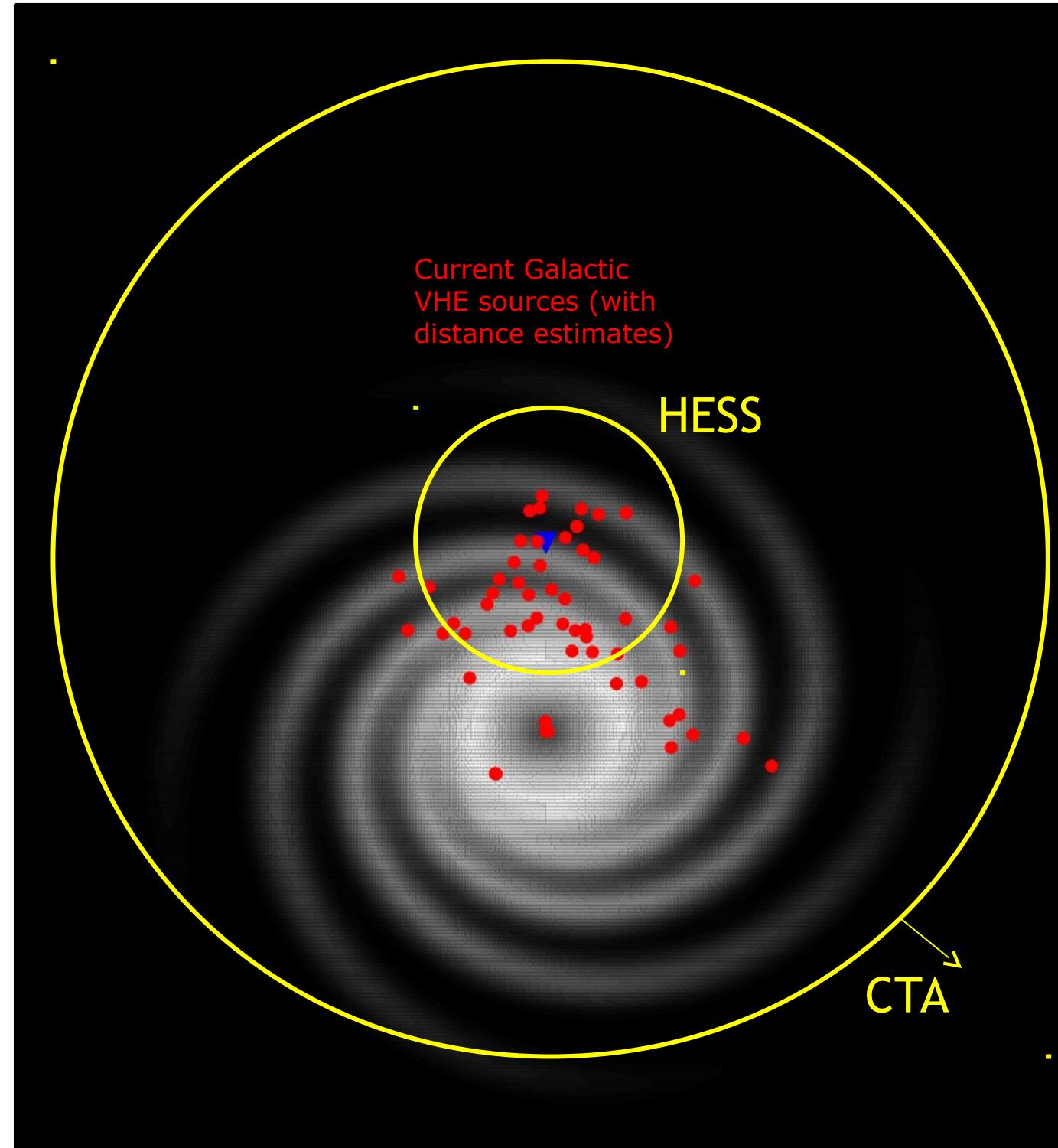
for detection in each 0.2-decade energy band



differential flux sensitivity



CTA Reach



Deep TeV Vision

HESS - Real Exposure

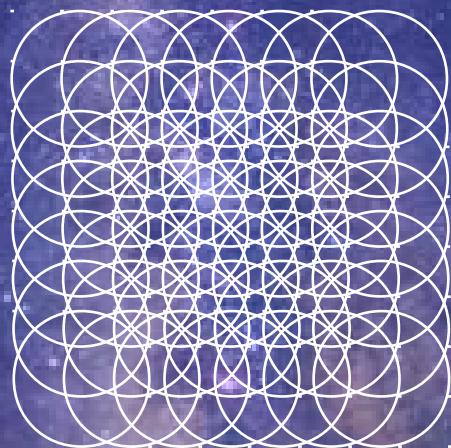


CTA - Flat Exposure

Digel, Funk, Hinton



CTA scheduling



Monitoring
4 telescopes

TeV
survey
using
MSTs



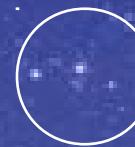
PeV Deep Field
using SSTs



Large zenith angle
observations from
other hemisphere



GeV observations
using LSTs

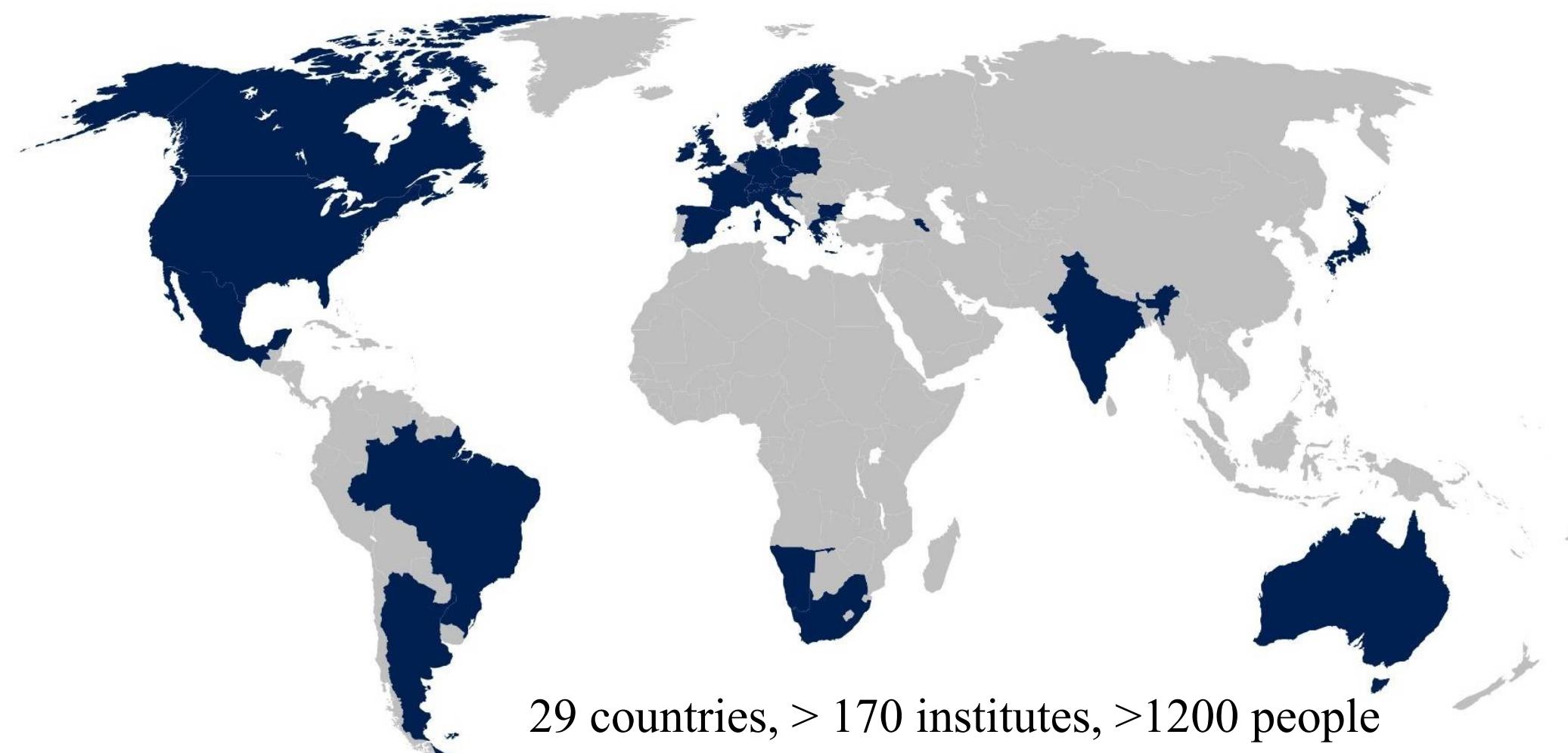


Monitoring
1 telescope

- CTA North and South through single portal, AO, identical tools
- Queue mode scheduler taking into account actual sky conditions, sub-arrays & conditions requested in proposal, priorities, TOOs

CTA 2015

4 - 8 MAY 2015 - TURKU, FINLAND

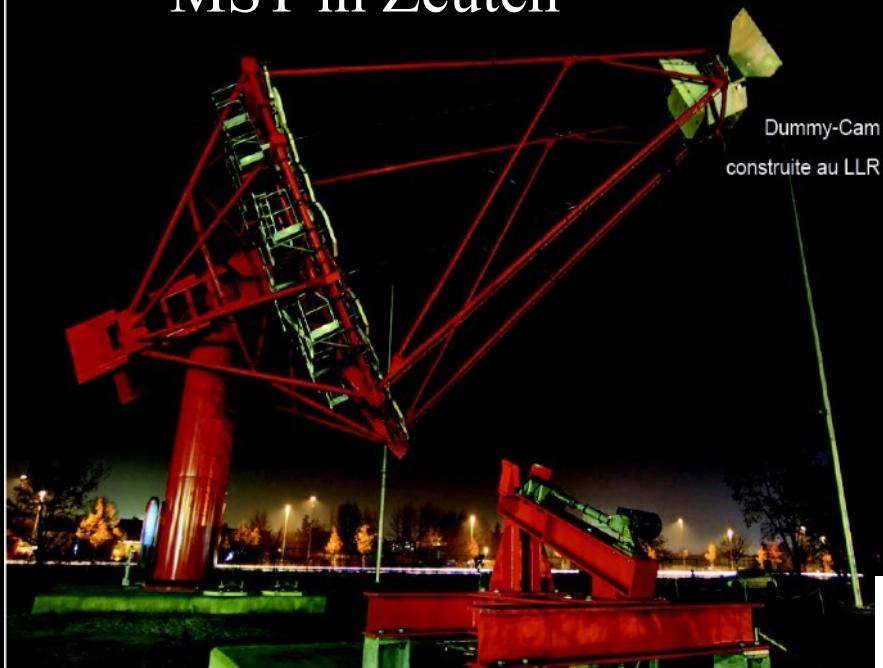


29 countries, > 170 institutes, >1200 people

+ Chile & Ukraina = 31 countries at 6 continents

Prototyping

MST in Zeuten



ASTRI Inauguration September 24th



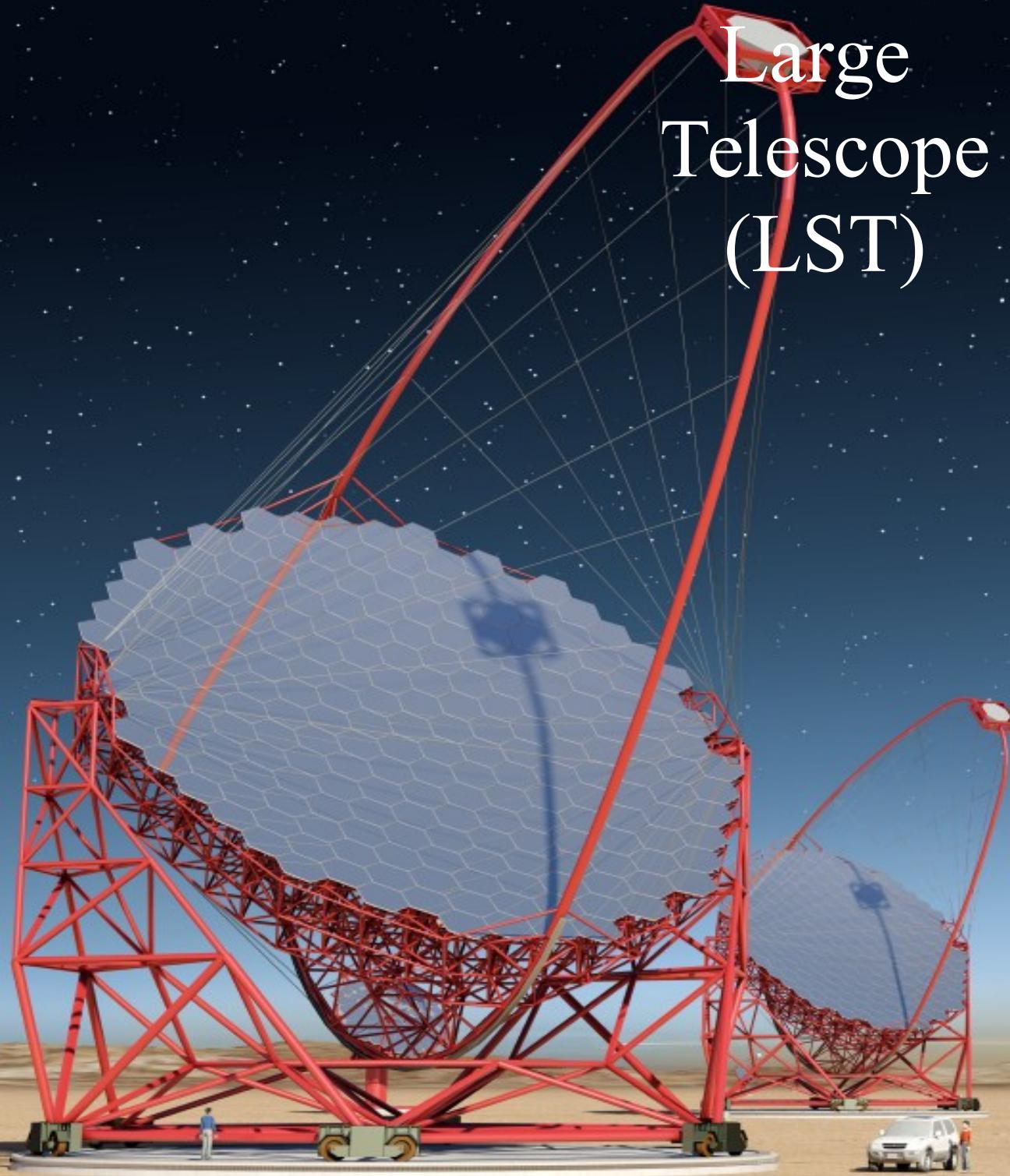
SST-1M: Inauguration in Poland June 2, 2014



GATE



Large Telescope (LST)



23 m diameter
389 m² dish area
28 m focal length
1.5 m mirror facets

4.5° field of view
0.1° pixels
Camera Ø over 2 m

Carbon-fibre structure
for 20 s positioning

Active mirror control

**4 LSTs on South site
4 LSTs on North site
Prototype = 1st telescope**

Medium-Sized 12 m Telescope

optimized for the 100 GeV to \sim 10 TeV range

16 m focal length
1.2 m mirror facets

8 $^{\circ}$ field of view
 \sim 2000 \times 0.18 $^{\circ}$ pixels

25 MSTs on South site
15 MSTs on North site



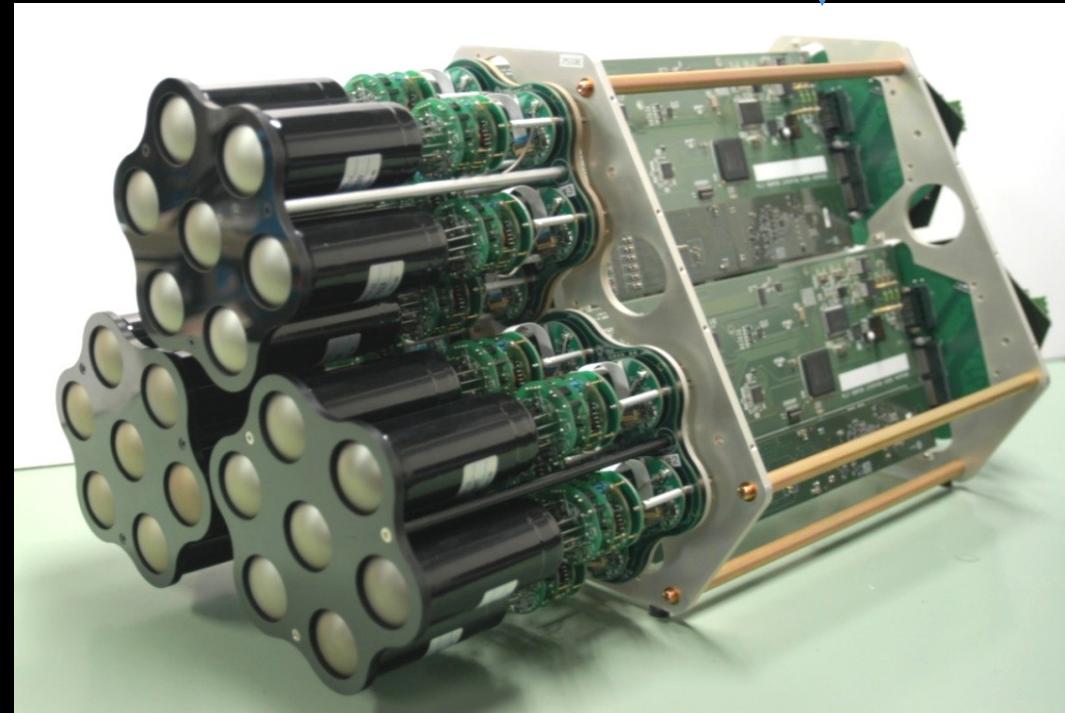
Berlin - Zeuten
MST prototype
operational

photomultiplier cameras for MST

Recording signal waveform for “interesting” (triggered) images

Options:

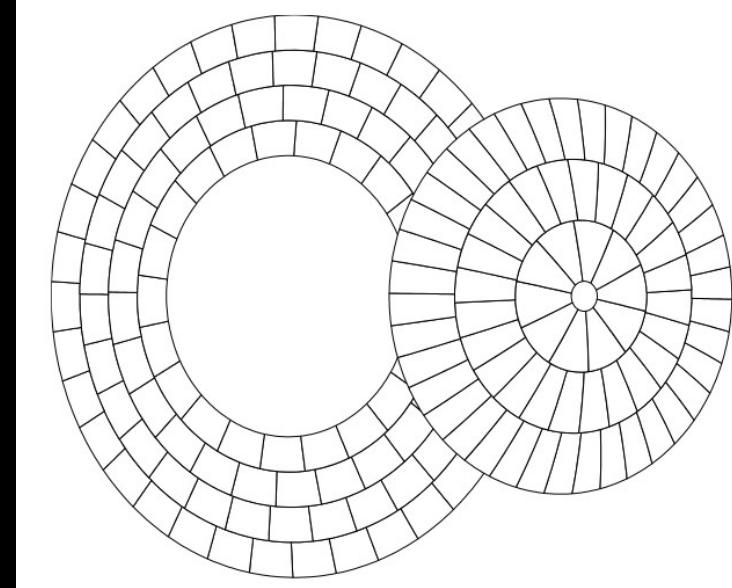
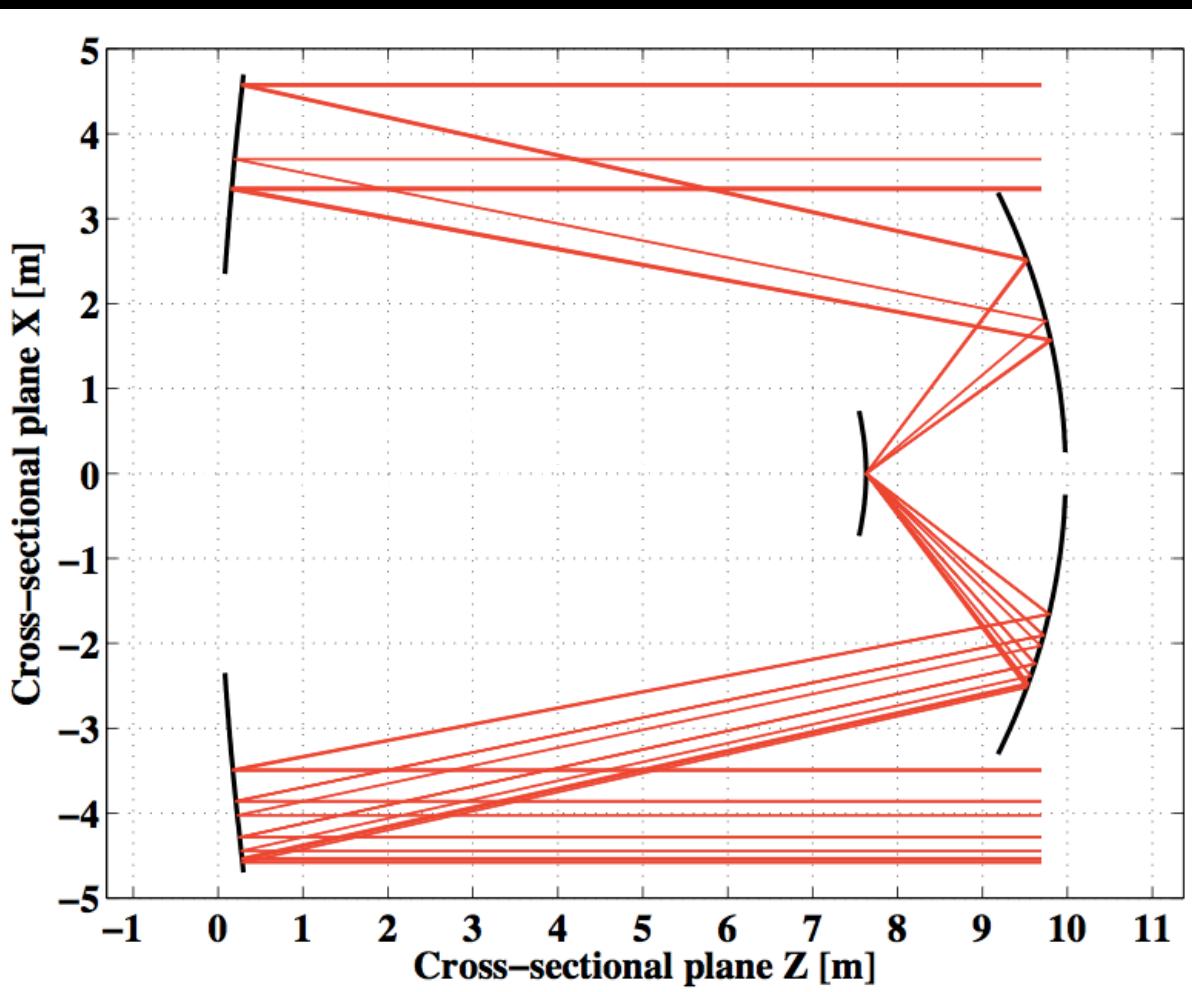
- NectarCam (Pixel cluster prototypes operational)
- DragonCam (Pixel cluster prototypes operational)
- Flashcam (144 pixel prototype operational)



A close-up photograph of the HESS II Camera's sensor array. The array consists of a grid of small, circular, reflective elements, likely mirrors or lenses, arranged in a hexagonal pattern. The grid is set against a dark background and is held in place by a metal frame. The lighting highlights the metallic surfaces of the frame and the reflective surfaces of the individual elements.

HESS II Camera
2048 pixels
On-board electronics
 $2.5\text{ m } \emptyset$

Interesting new developments: Dual-mirror telescopes



- Reduced plate scale
 - Reduced psf
 - Uniform psf across f.o.v.
- Cost-effective small telescopes with compact sensors (SST-2M)
- Higher-performance telescopes with small pixels (SCT)

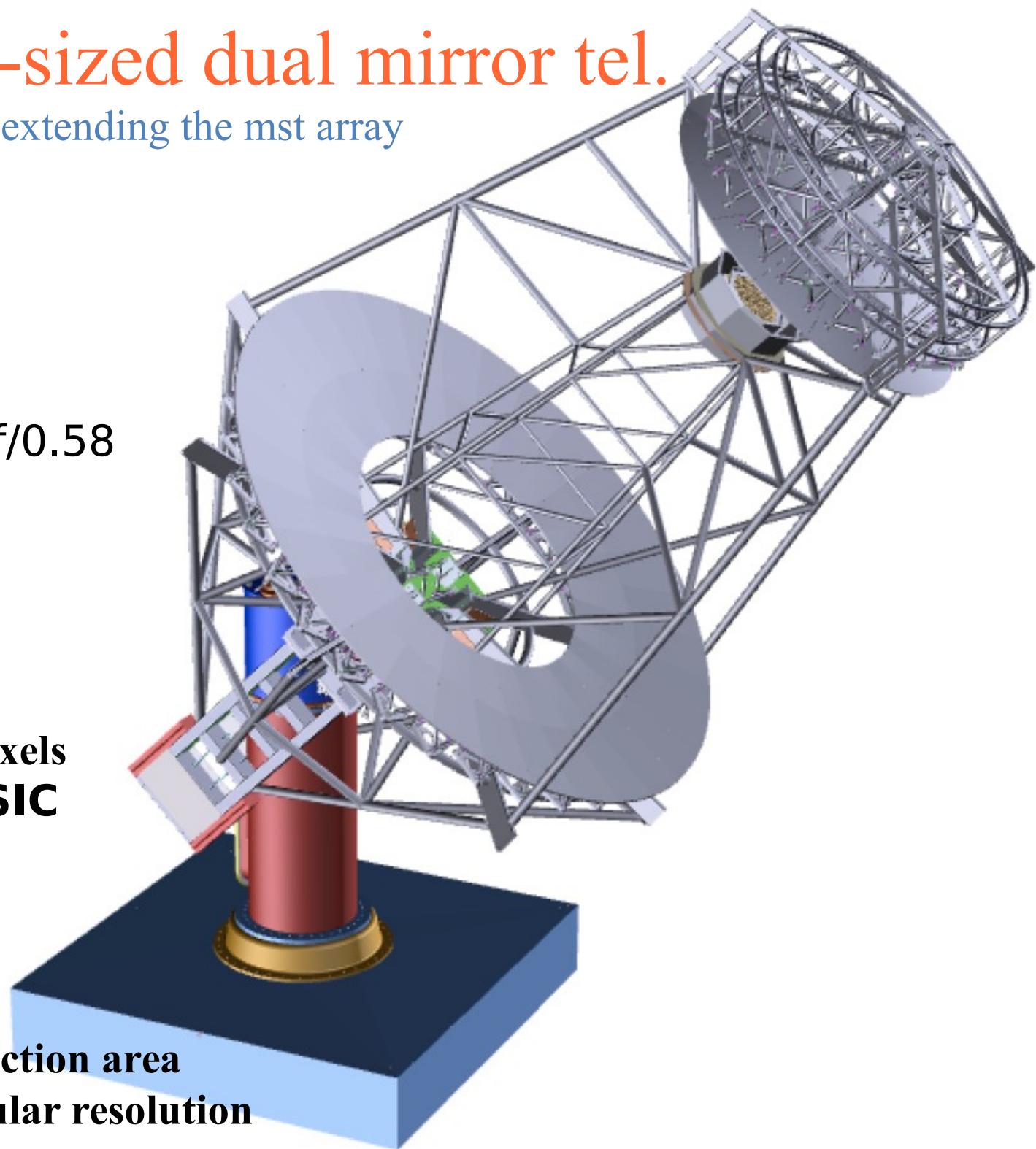
Medium-sized dual mirror tel.

extending the mst array

9.7 m primary
5.4 m secondary
5.6 m focal length, f/0.58
40 m² eff. coll. area
PSF better than 4.5'
across 8° fov

8° field of view
11328 x 0.07° SiPMT pixels
Target readout ASIC

**Extend South array
by adding 24 SCTs**



- increased γ -ray collection area
- improved γ -ray angular resolution

Small telescopes

Several options under prototyping

Single-mirror telescope with Silicon camera (prototype under constr.)

Dual-mirror telescopes

ASTRI telescope structure (prototype under constr.)

GATE telescope structure (prototype under constr.)

with camera options

ASTRI (Silicon, S&H ASIC) (prototype under constr.)

CHEC (Silicon or MAPMT, Pipeline ASIC) (prototype under constr.)

SST-1M structure prototype opening INP, Cracow (June 2nd, 2014)

12 m² dish area
5.6 m focal length
0.8 m mirror facets

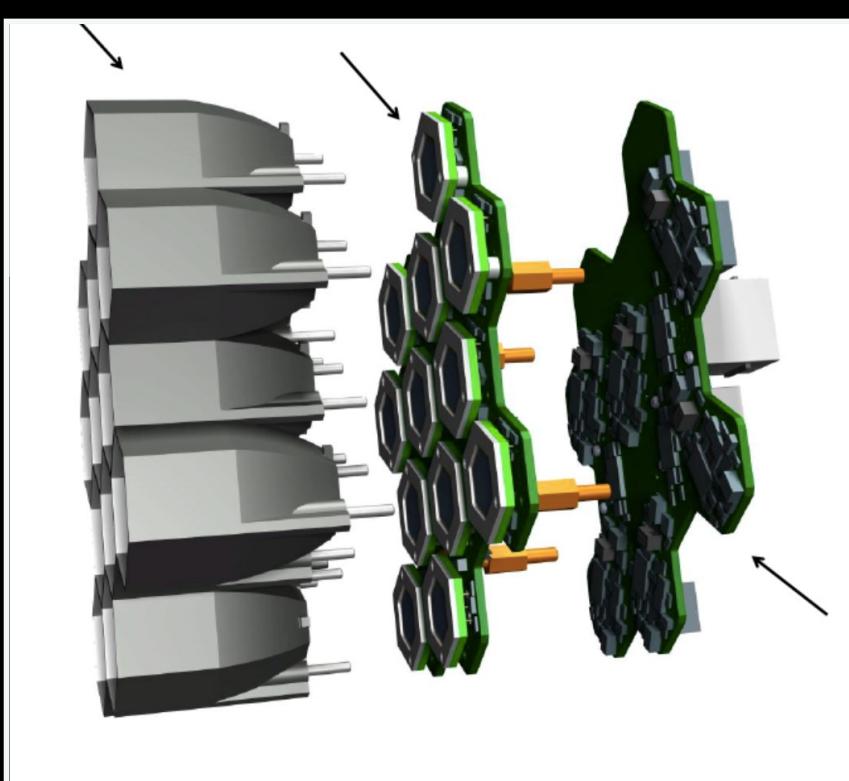
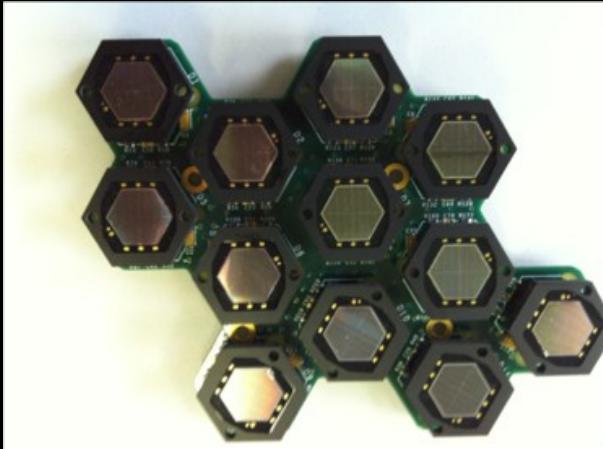
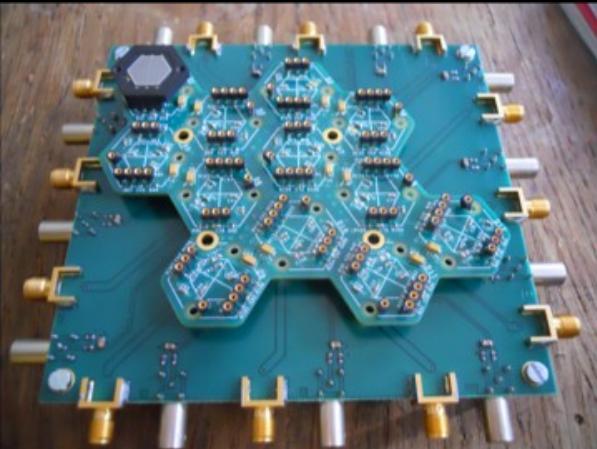
9° field of view
~1300 x 0.25° pixels

~70 SSTs on South site



Single-mirror prototype

Silicon PMT camera with digital electronics

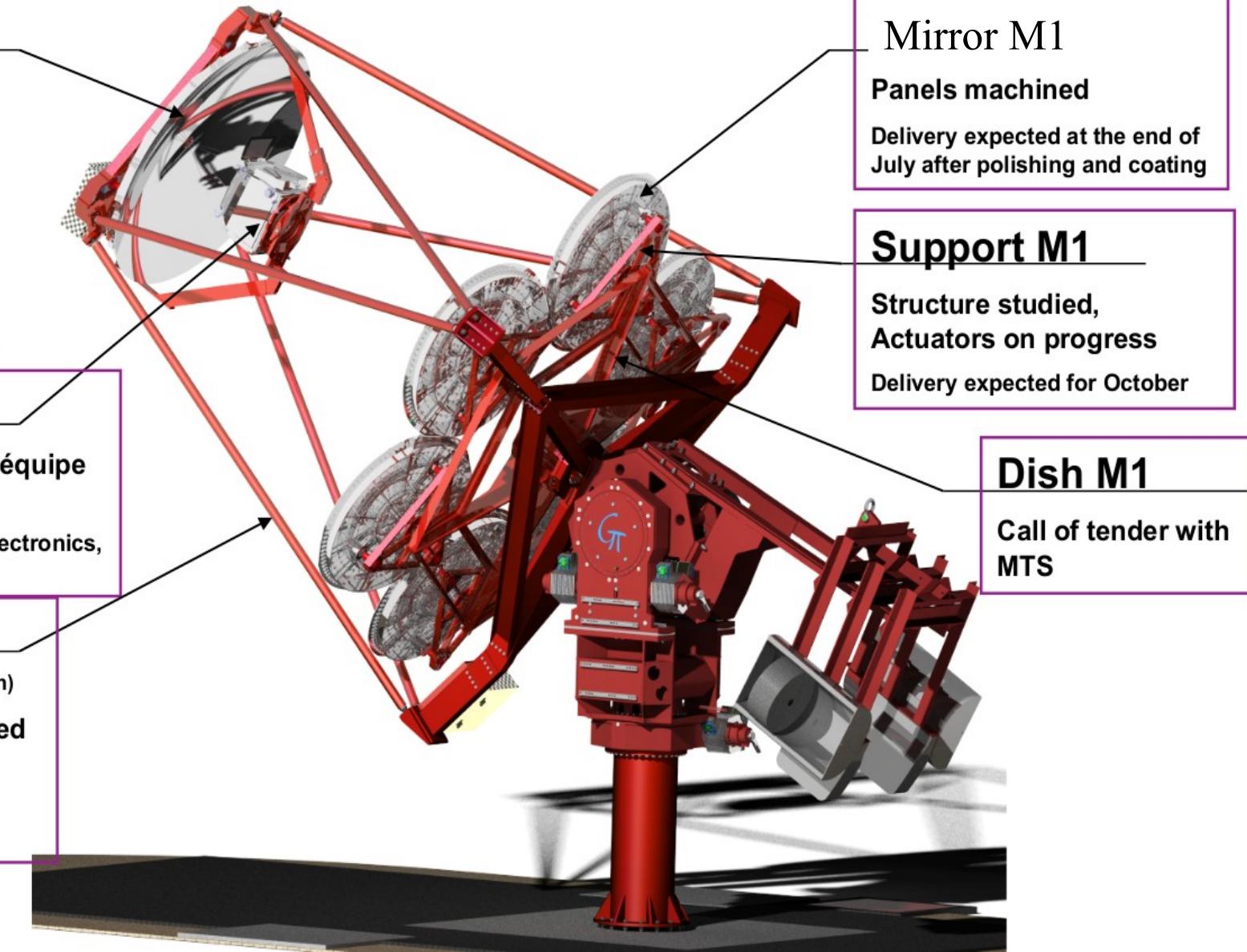


Double mirror Schwartshild Couder telescope
SST-2M (Sept. 2014)

Italy: ASTRI



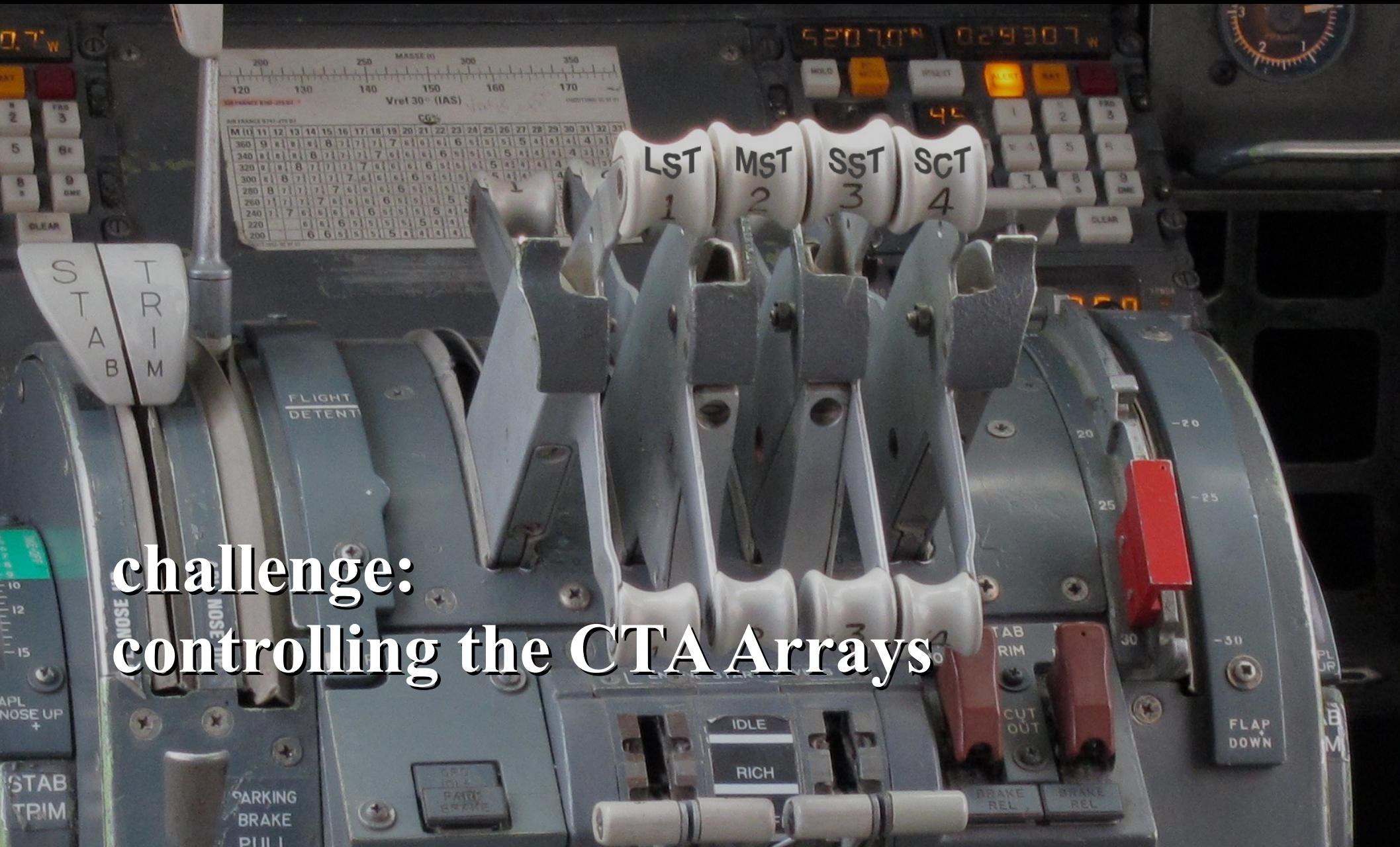
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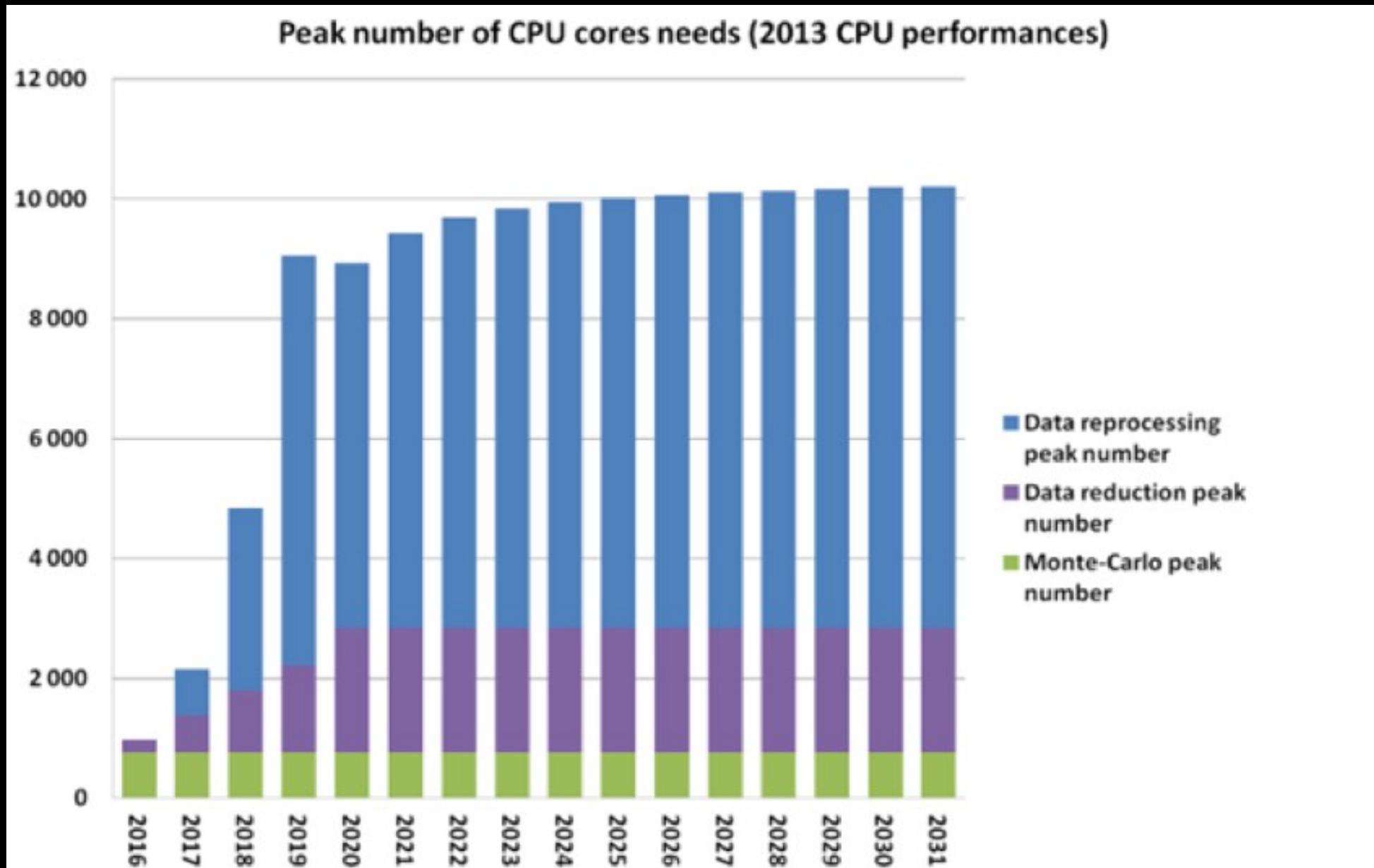
challenge:
controlling the CTA Arrays



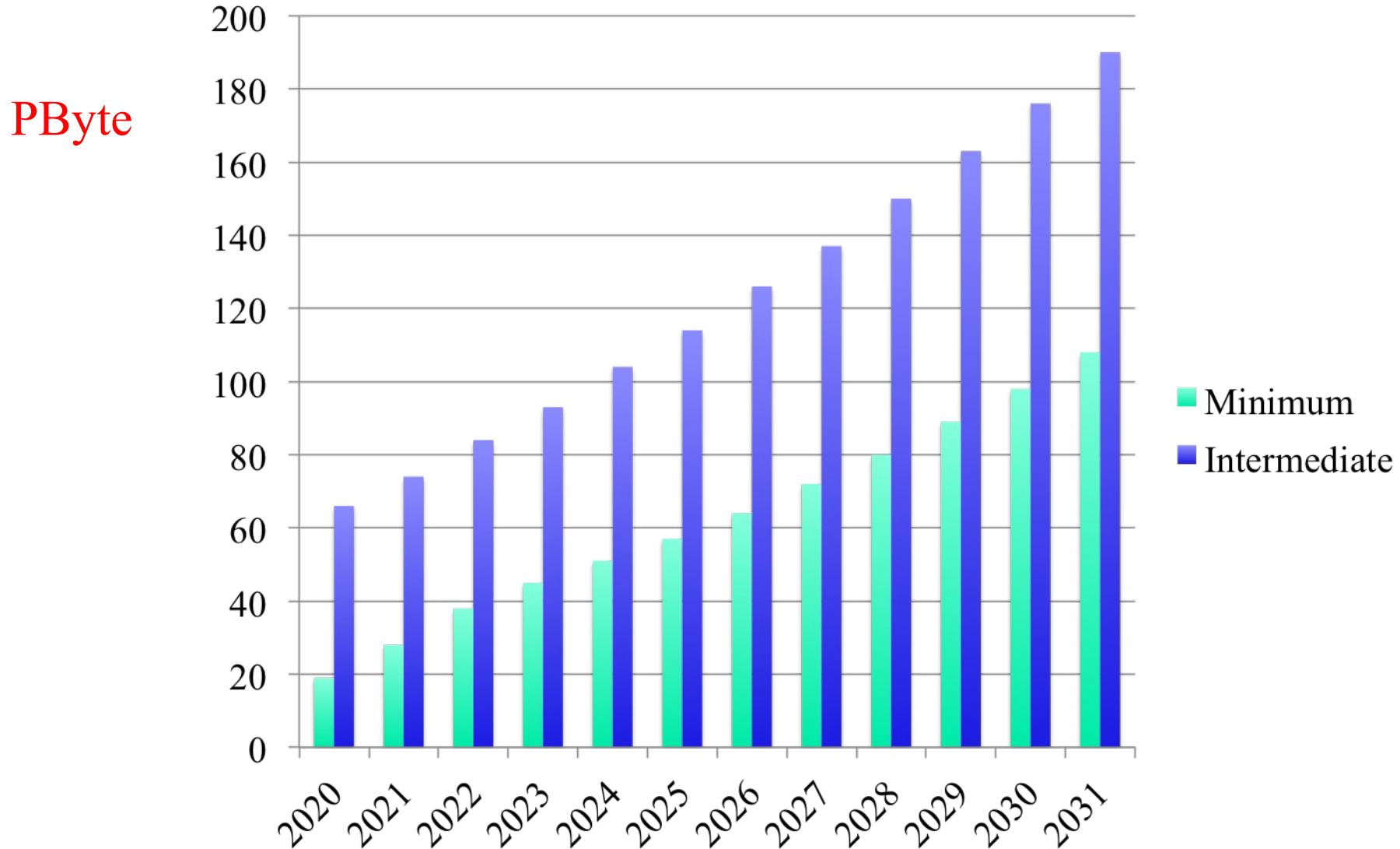


**challenge:
handling CTa data**

processing needs

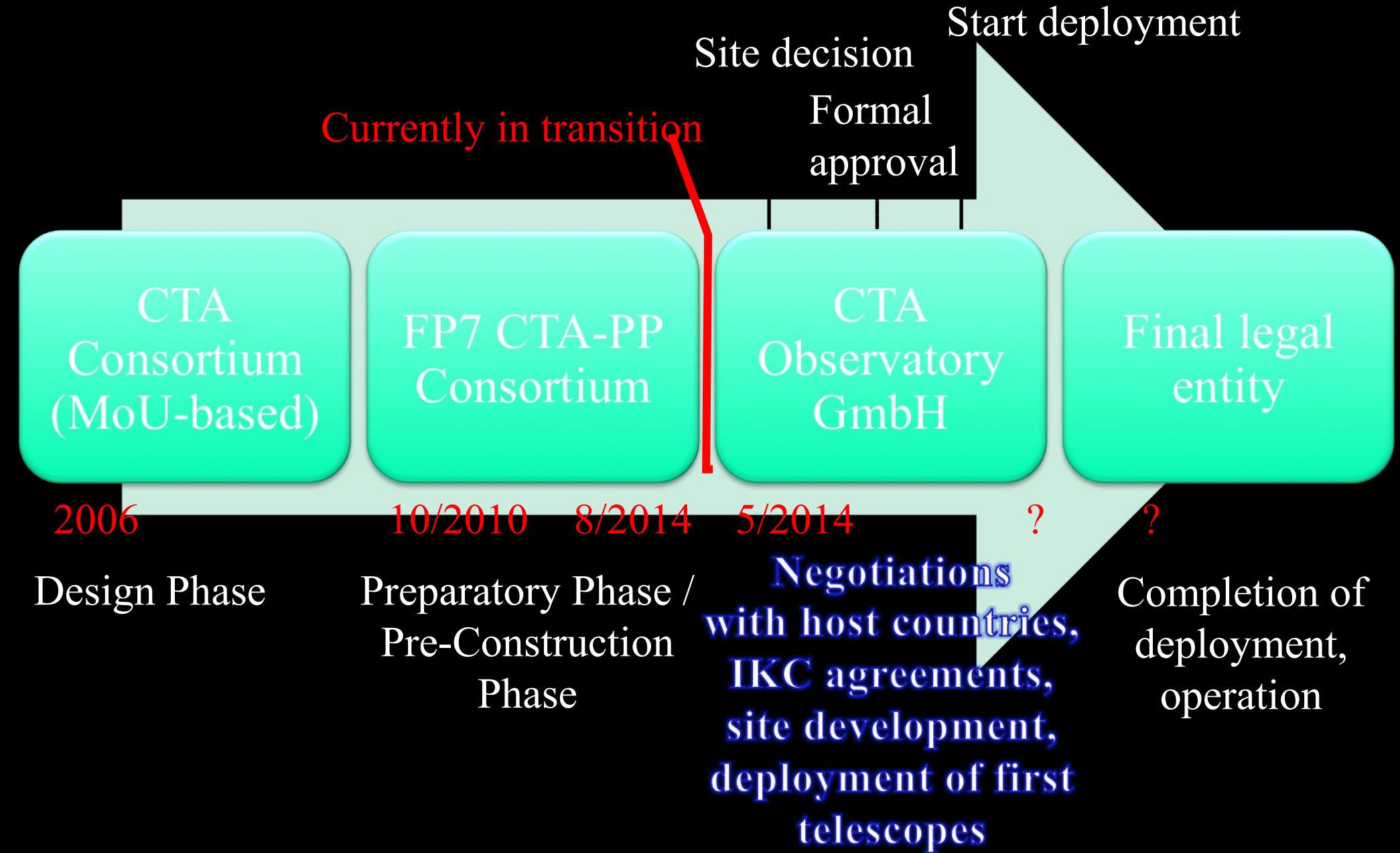


storage capacity



time line

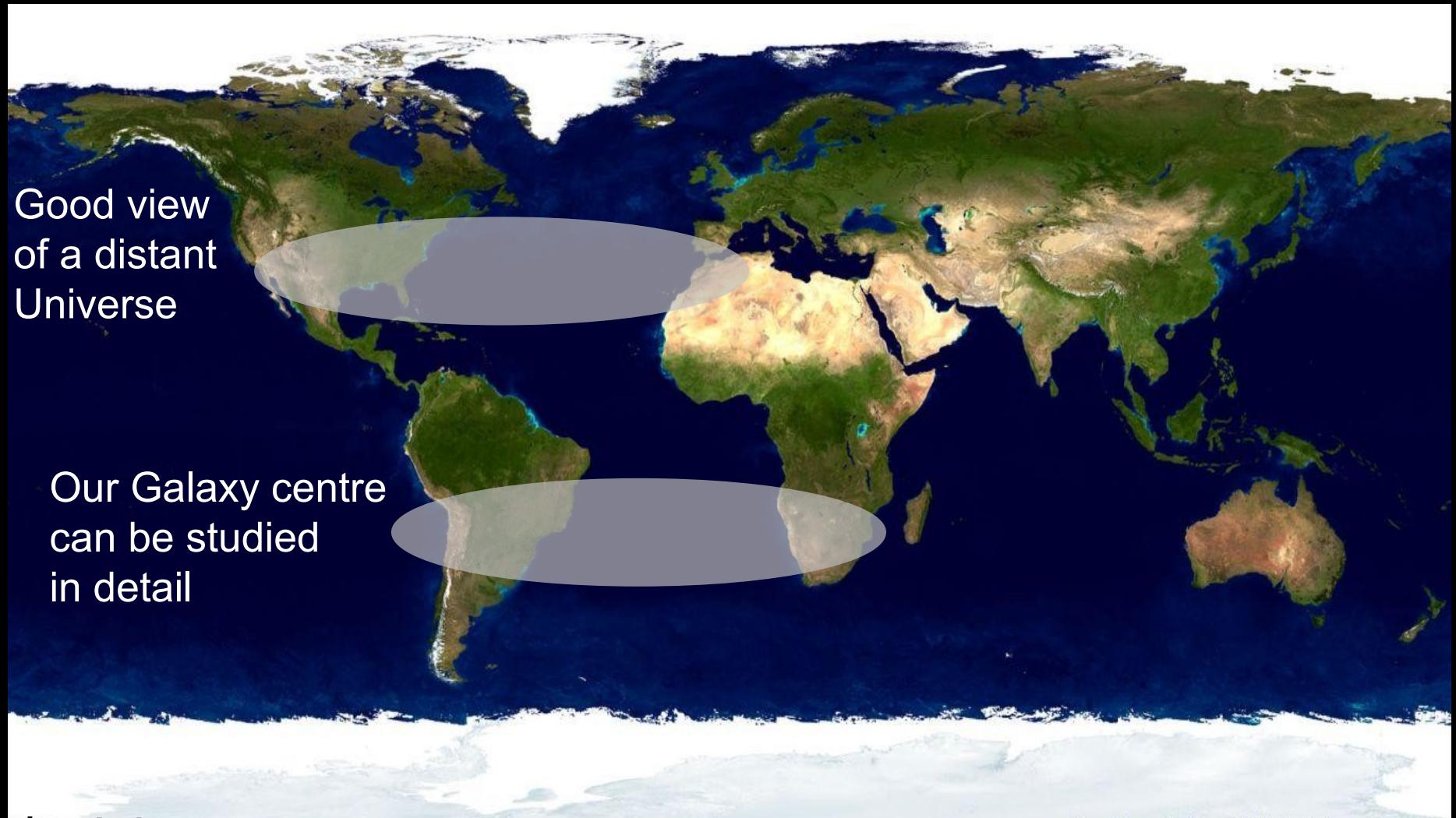
CTA Observatory



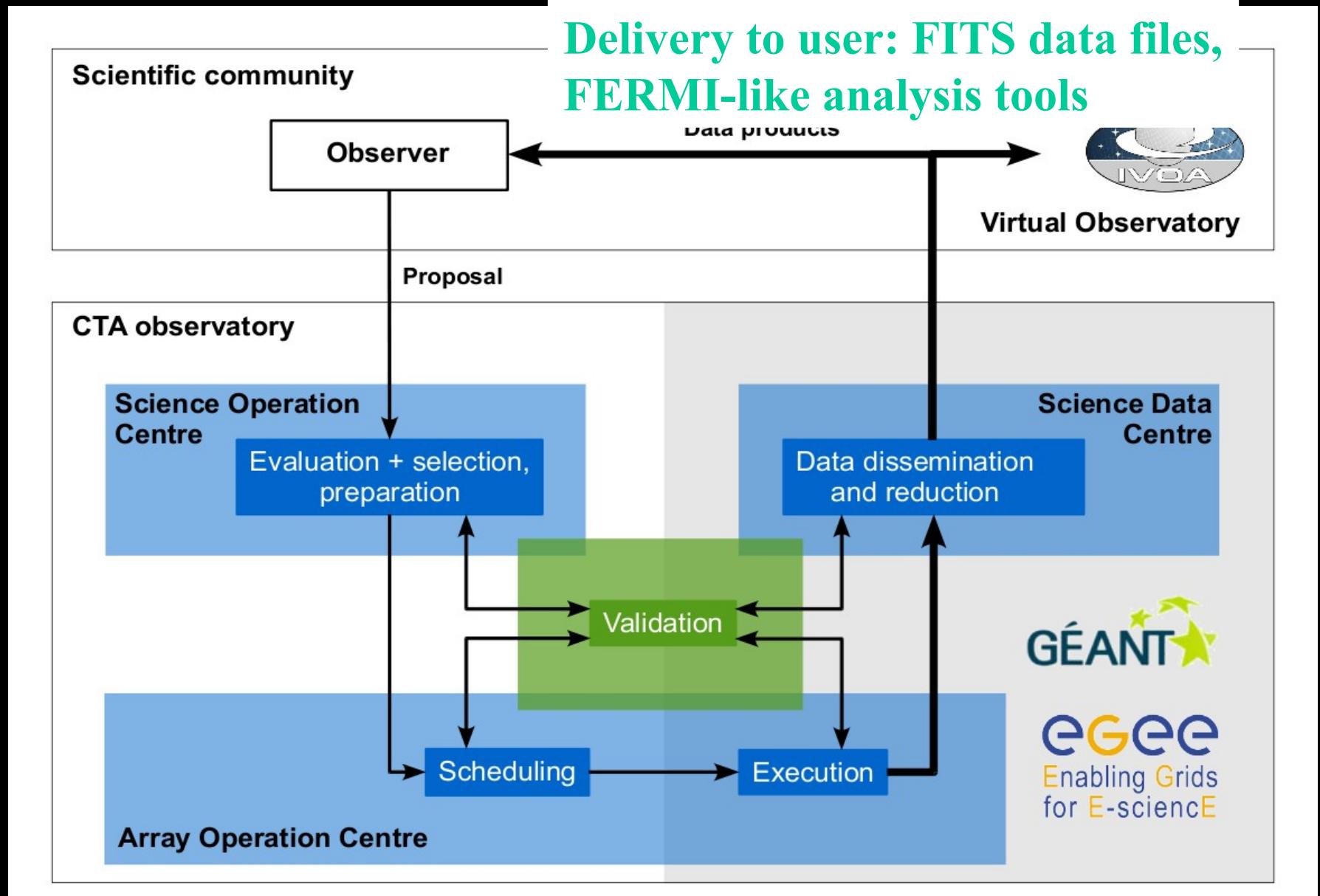
Global observatory with 2 sites:

on Southern
and Northern hemispheres

Chile or Namibia
Mexico or Canary Islands



For the first time in this field: Open access





WP2: Dissemination, Engagement and Citizen Science (DECS)

WP3: OBELICS (OBservatory E-environments LInked by common ChallengeS)

WP4: DADI (Data Access, Discovery and Interoperability)

WP5: CLEOPATRA: Connecting Locations of ESFRI Observatories and Partners in Astronomy for Timing and Real-time Alerts

CTA: ~32%, ~5 M€

H2020 INFRADEV-3 APPLICATION

Addressing bottlenecks identified by ESFRI

“Site preparation/site infrastructure to address the specific challenge of characterising and surveying remote sites in the southern hemisphere, designing and implementing site infrastructure, defining appropriate long term agreements with host country, and preparing for construction to begin.”

Application submitted by CTAO GmbH

WPs

WP1: Management

WP2: Infrastructure design and planning

WP3: Infrastructure deployment (no bricks!)

WP4: Legal agreements

WP5: Infrastructure for outreach and host country relations

H2020 INFRADEV-3 APPLICATION

Favorably reviewed, score 13.5 or 15 (passing score 10)

Currently preparing grant agreement

30 months, aim to start July 1





Polish project at the ESFRI roadmap to study universe in TeV gamma rays

Main contributions:

Polish CTA Consortium

11+1 intitutions

~70 people

~3 MEuro till now

5 + 2 universities:

Jagiellonian University

Warsaw

AGH

Lodz

N. Copernicus University

Zielona Góra

Białystok (?)

3 institutes of PAS + NCBJ:

N. Copernicus Astr. Center

Space Research Centre

Institute of Nuclear Physics

NCBJ

A computing centre:

CYFRONET AGH



A **small Cherenkov telescope** SST-1M prototype opening
in INP Krakow (collaboration with University of Geneva)

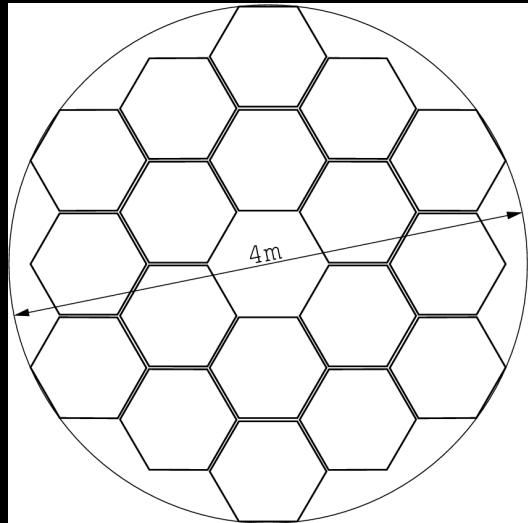
Digital camera
with SiPMTs
"DigiCam"

Mirrors based
on composites

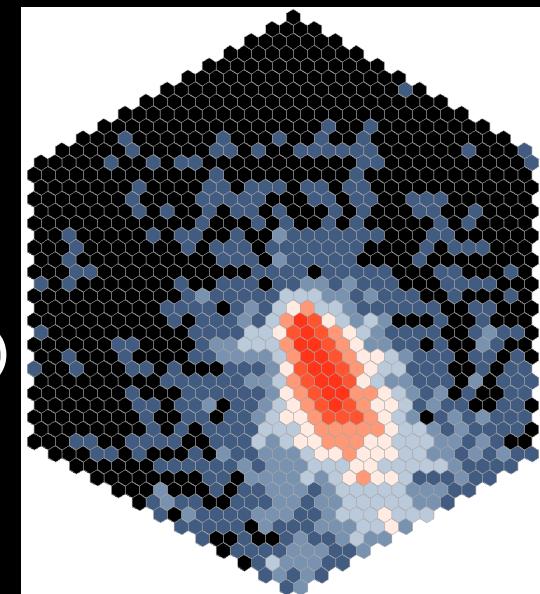
CTA Science
Gateway
in CYFRONET

CTA data centre in Poland ?

SST-1M: single-mirror Small Size Telescope

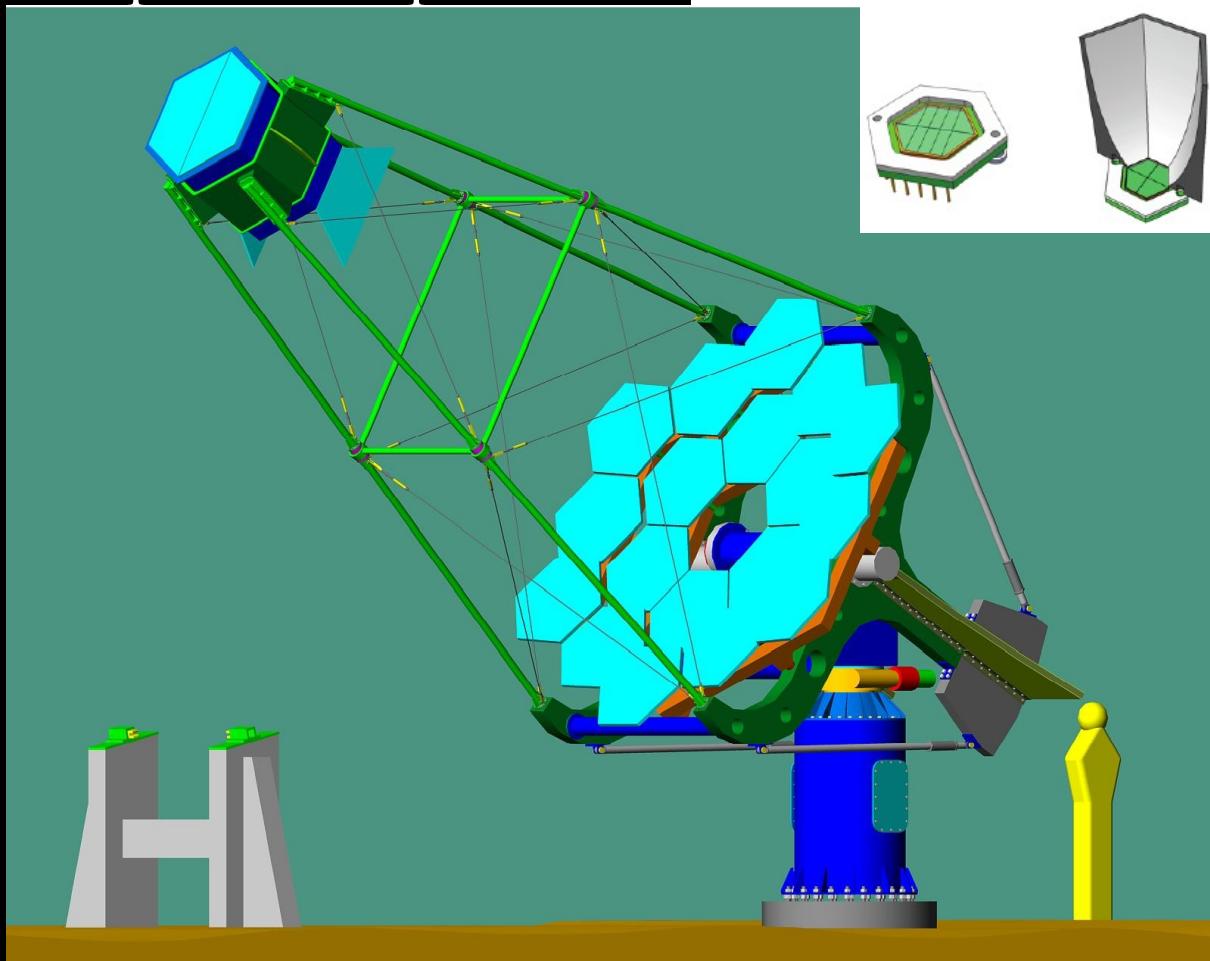


- 1296 pixels (0.25deg)
- 9.1 deg FoV
- hexagonal silicon photomultipliers



focal length 5,6 m

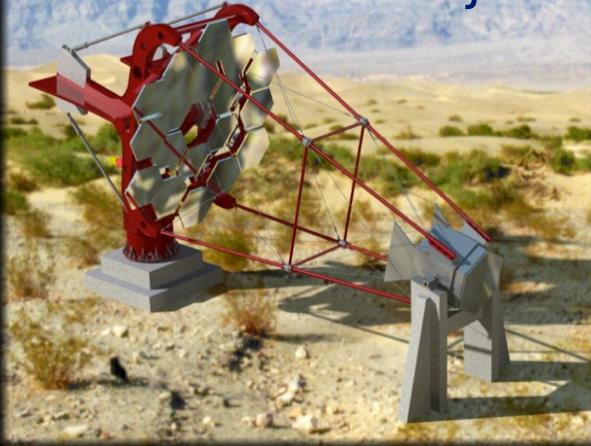
- dish diameter 4 m
- 18 spherical mirrors
(78 cm flat-to-flat, f=5.6m)



SST-1M: prototype mechanical structure designed and built at IFJ PAN



The 1M-SST Project



The DigiCam

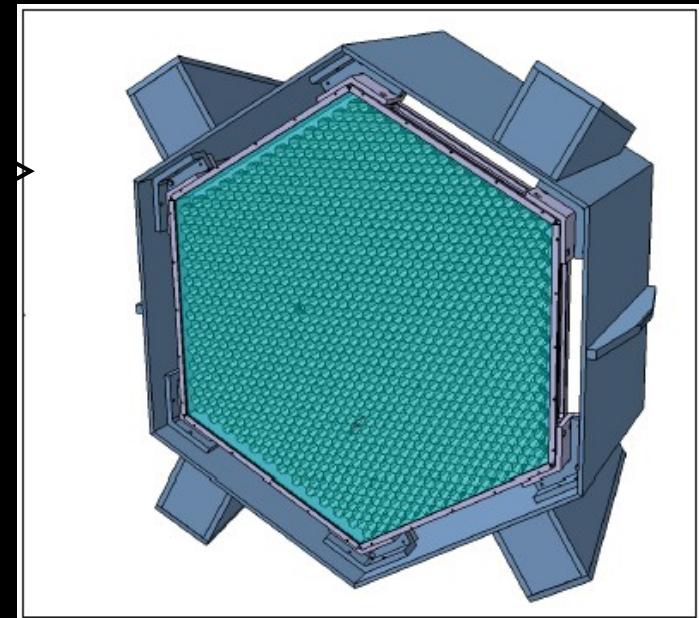
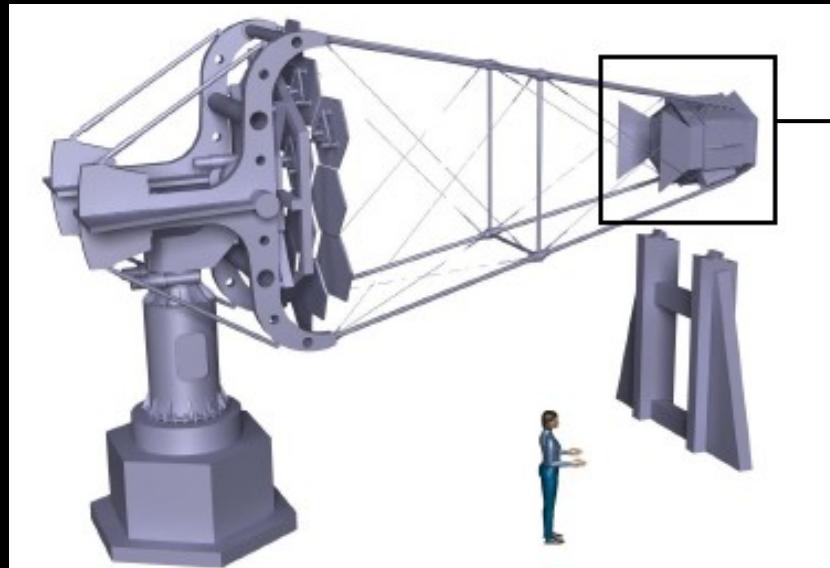
Digital camera dedicated for
the SST-1M telescope



From: Krzysztof Zietara JU

DigiCam camera features

- 1296 pixels PDP based on **silicon fotomultipliers** (SiPM)
- Signal acquisition implemented using **250MSPS/12bit ADC's**
- **Fully digital trigger** path with reconfigurable algorithms and signal preprocessing
- Serial architecture based on multigigabit links (trigger and adc readout)
- Reduced number of cables and connectors
- **Compact selfcontained and lightweight** – perfect for SST-1M telescope



DigiCam camera architecture

Photon Detector Plane
(PDP, lightweight)

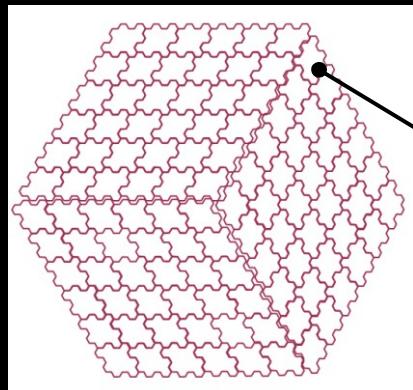


Si
PMT's

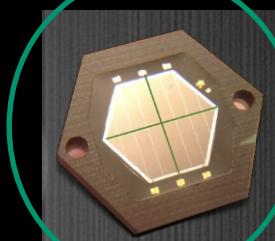
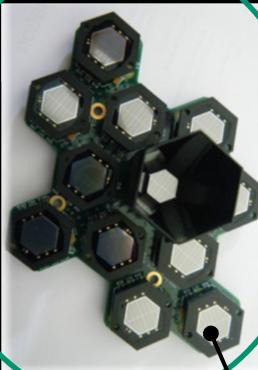
Preamplifier
Slow control
HV

Analog transmission
via CATx (typ. ≤ 1.5 m)

CAN BUS Slow control



PDP composed of 108
mechanical units, each
holding 12 pixels
(12 SiPMT's)



250 MS/s
12 bit
FADC

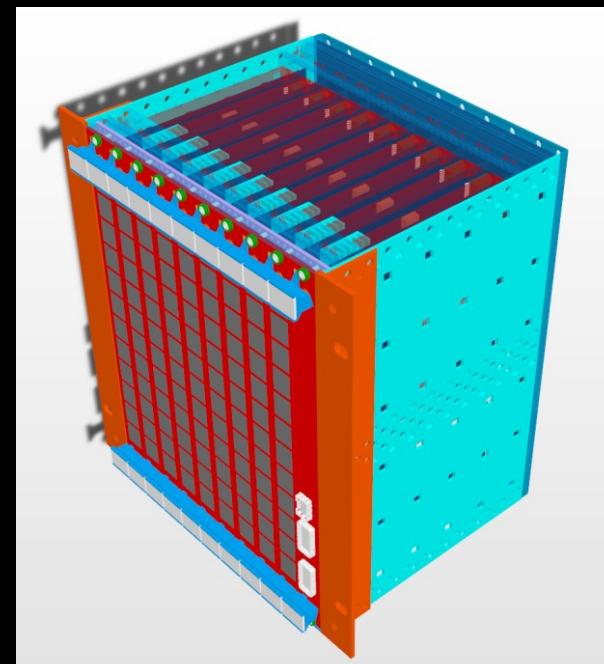
Ring buffer
Preprocessed trigger
(data reduction)
Slow control

multi Gbit
serial links

Main trigger
&
readout

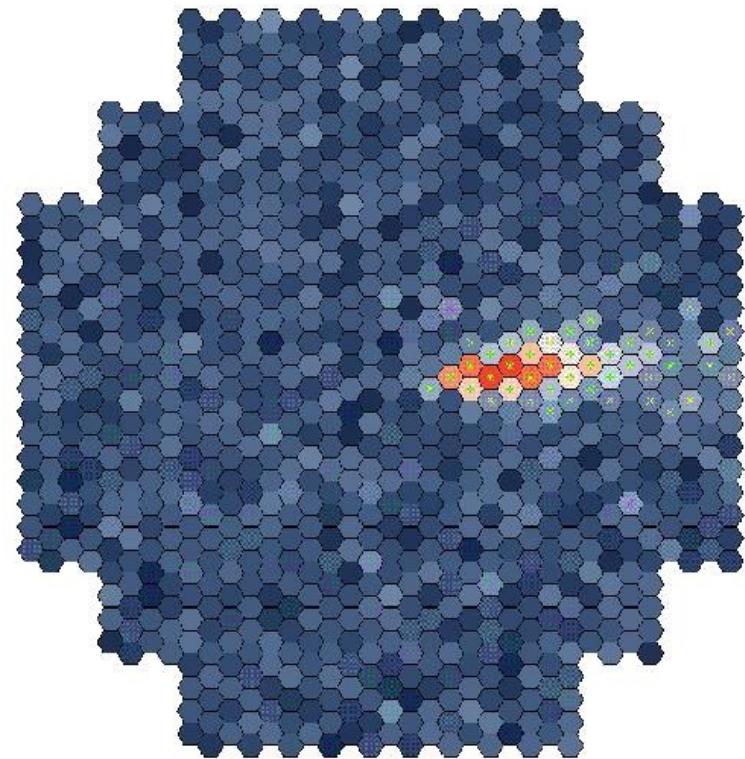
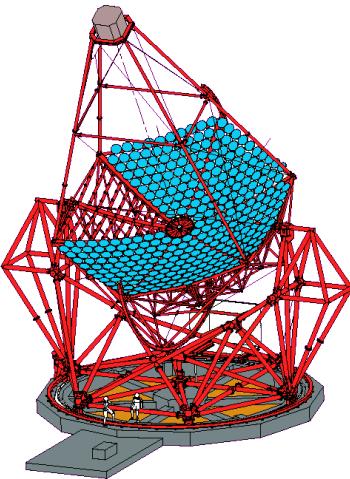
10Gbit
Ethernet

Crate-based acquisition and readout electronics
(behind PDP)

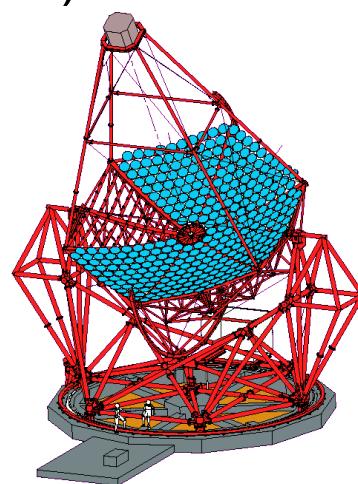
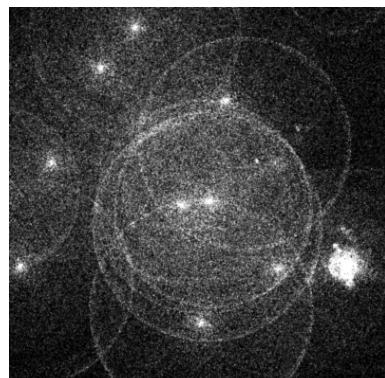
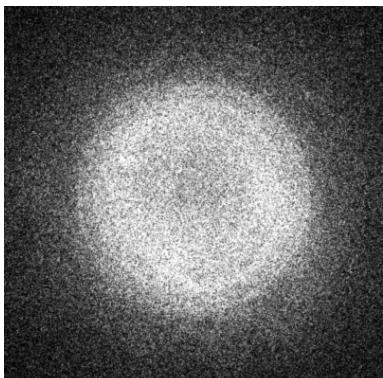


3 μ -Crates holding
27 FADC cards (48
channels each) and
3 trigger cards

Simulations for SST-1M



Rafał Moderski, Anna Barnacka, Leszek Bogacz, Martyna Chruścińska,
Adam Frankowski, Mira Grudzińska, Mateusz Janiak, Piotr Rozwadowski
(CAMK, OAUW, UJ)



Numerical simulations - software

- air shower simulations for gammas, protons, electrons and muons
- telescope response calculations

CORSIKA

<http://www-ik.fzk.de/~corsika/>

- most time consuming, 95% data volume, storage for several months for possible reprocessing

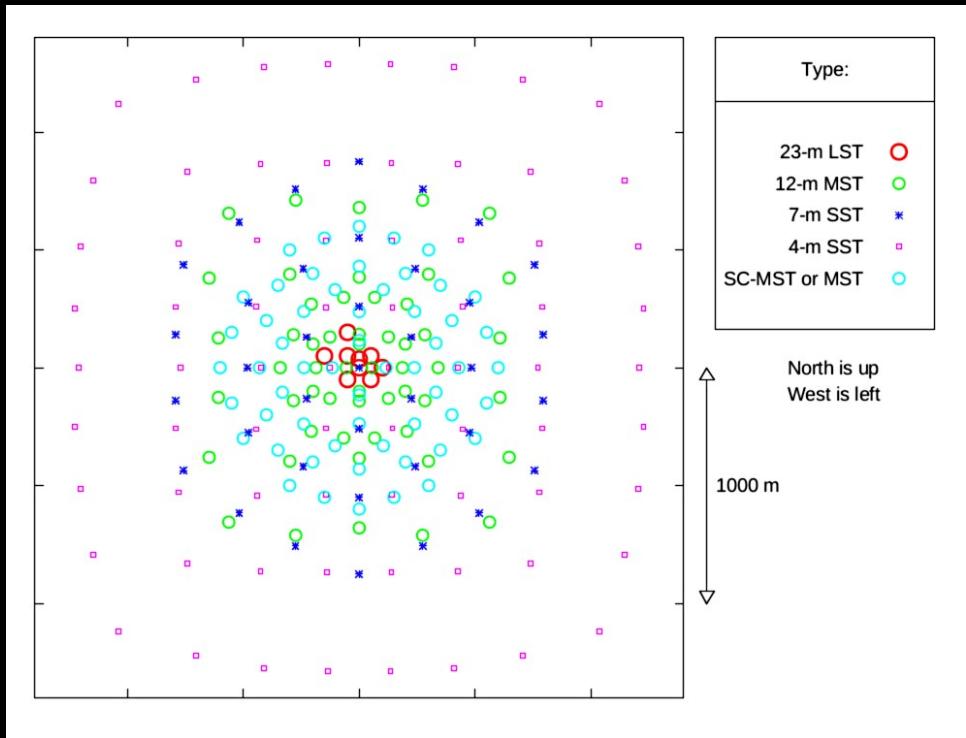
- **~ 10^{10} events need to be simulated and processed** - ~200k jobs of 50k events, ~8 mln HS06 hours (70% air showers simulations), >500TB of storage
- **EGEE/EGI** grid infrastructure chosen (vo.cta.in2p3.fr – 21 EGI grid sites in 7 countries, several thousands CPU cores and >650TB dedicated storage)

sim_telarray

Bernloehr et al. Astropart. Phys.
(2008,2013)

- several configurations, storage for 1-2 years (but small volume ~30TB) for user analysis

Production-2



229 telescope positions

7 different telescope types (LST, 2 MST, 4 SST) with updated parameters and sometimes several different trigger schemes

3 different candidate sites at altitudes between 1600 and 3600 m

traces of pulses in all pixels stored

3.7×10^{10} events generated, total storage max **1.86PB**

Telescope separation – dedicated study of optimal telescope separation

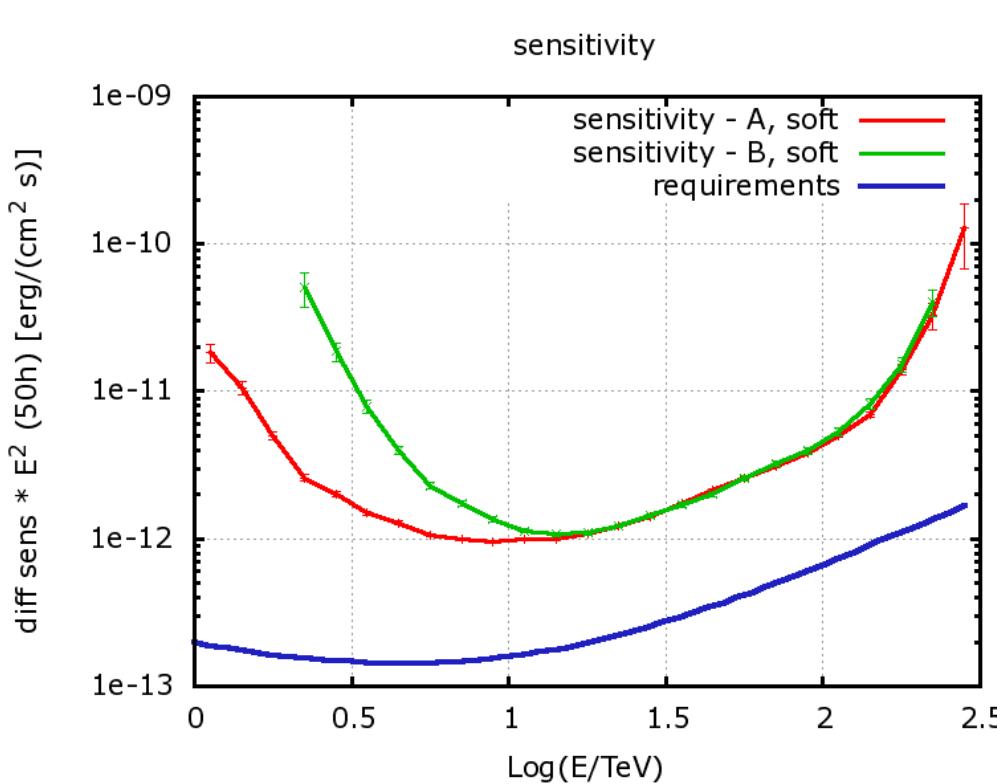


Fig. 1. SMART5 sensitivity based on the Prod-2 data for two different telescope separation: ~250m (confA) and ~370m (confB).

- dedicated simulations for 5 telescopes at different separations of 150m, 200m, 250m, 300m, 350m
 - 2.3e6 gamma events, 18.1e6 proton events

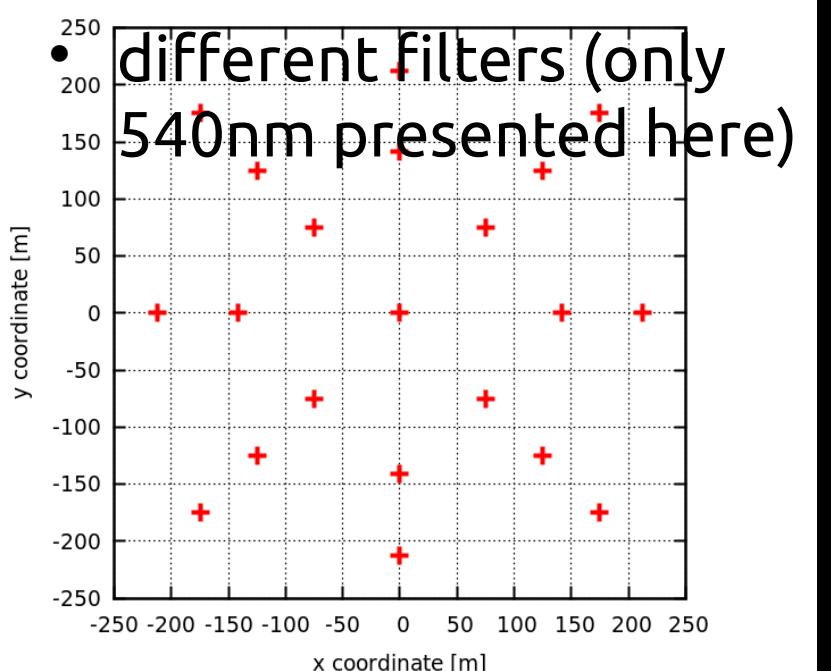


Fig. 2. Locations of the telescopes used in the simulations.

SHADOWING (TELESCOPE TRANSMISSION)

- The SST-1M mirror consists of 18 hexagonal facets of 78 cm dimension (flat-to-flat).

- 9.48 m² total surface area

coating	average reflectance 300-550nm	effective area [m ²]
Al+SiO ₂	0.91	6.86
Al+SiO ₂ +HfO ₂	0.95	7.16
dielectric 550	0.97	7.31

becomes

- 7.54 m² effective area
(total telescope
transmission coefficient of
0.8 applied).

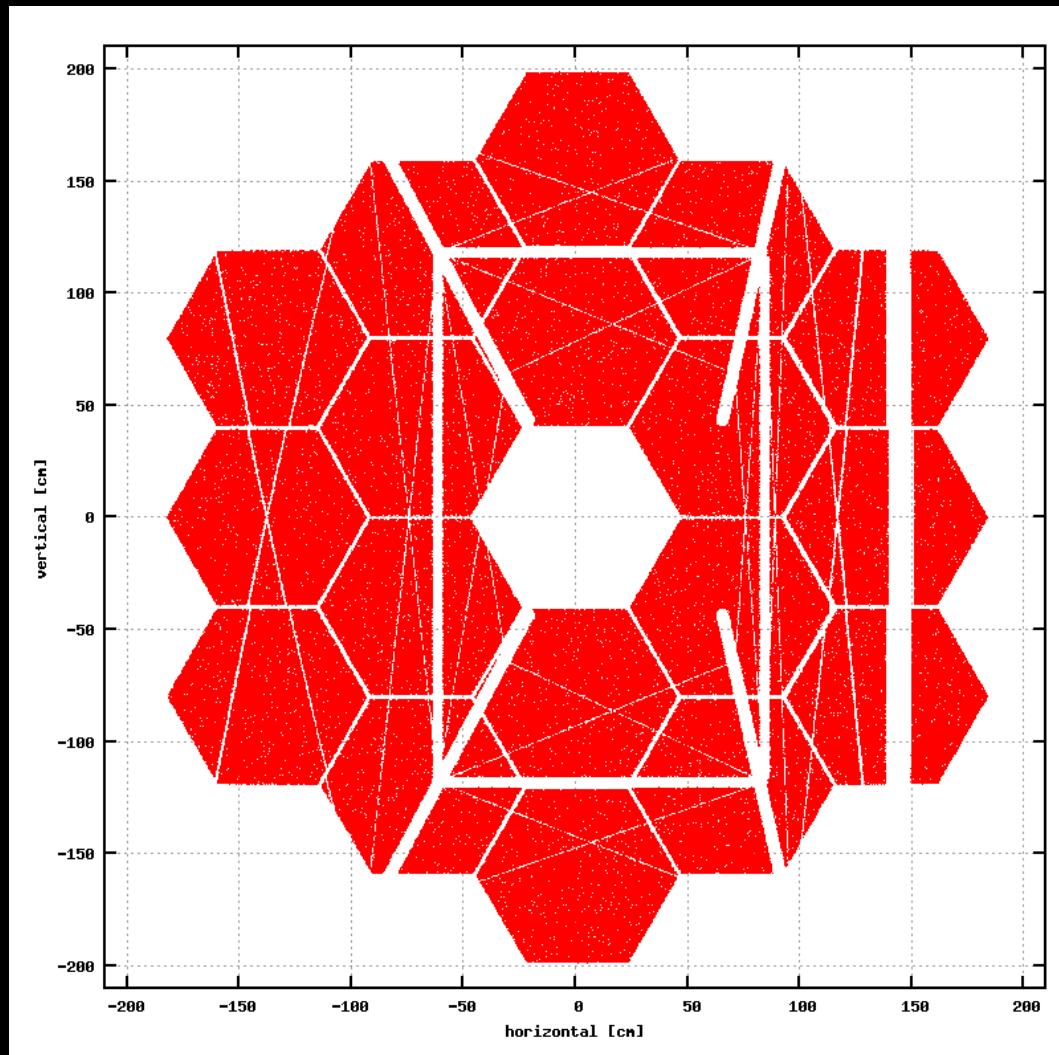
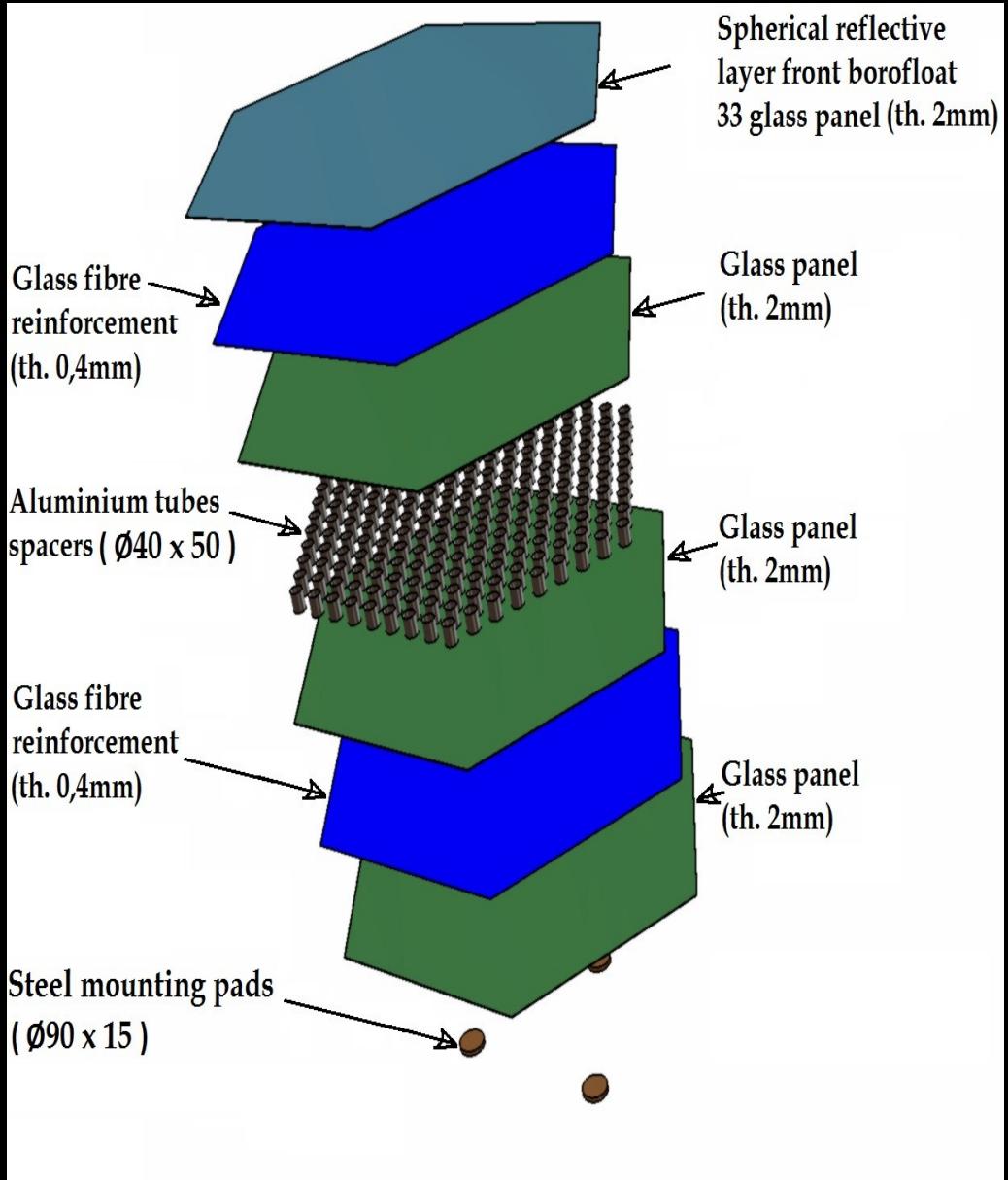


Fig. 1. Masts only
shadowing at 2 deg
off axis.

Open-structure composite mirrors for Medium-Size Telescope



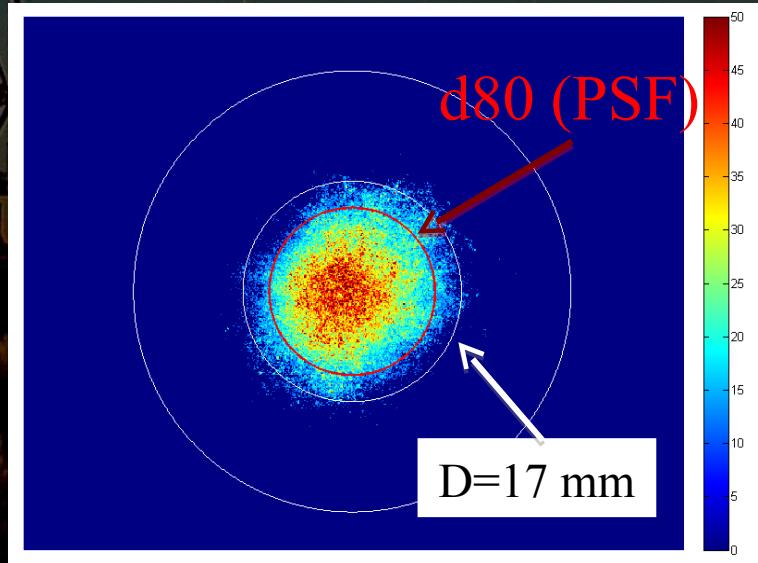
- a novel approach to cold-slumping technology for mirror production **developed at IFJ PAN**
- made of glass and aluminium
- open structure prohibits water to be trapped inside, improves ventilation and thermal stability
- designed for open-air operations: durable and resistant to atmospheric conditions



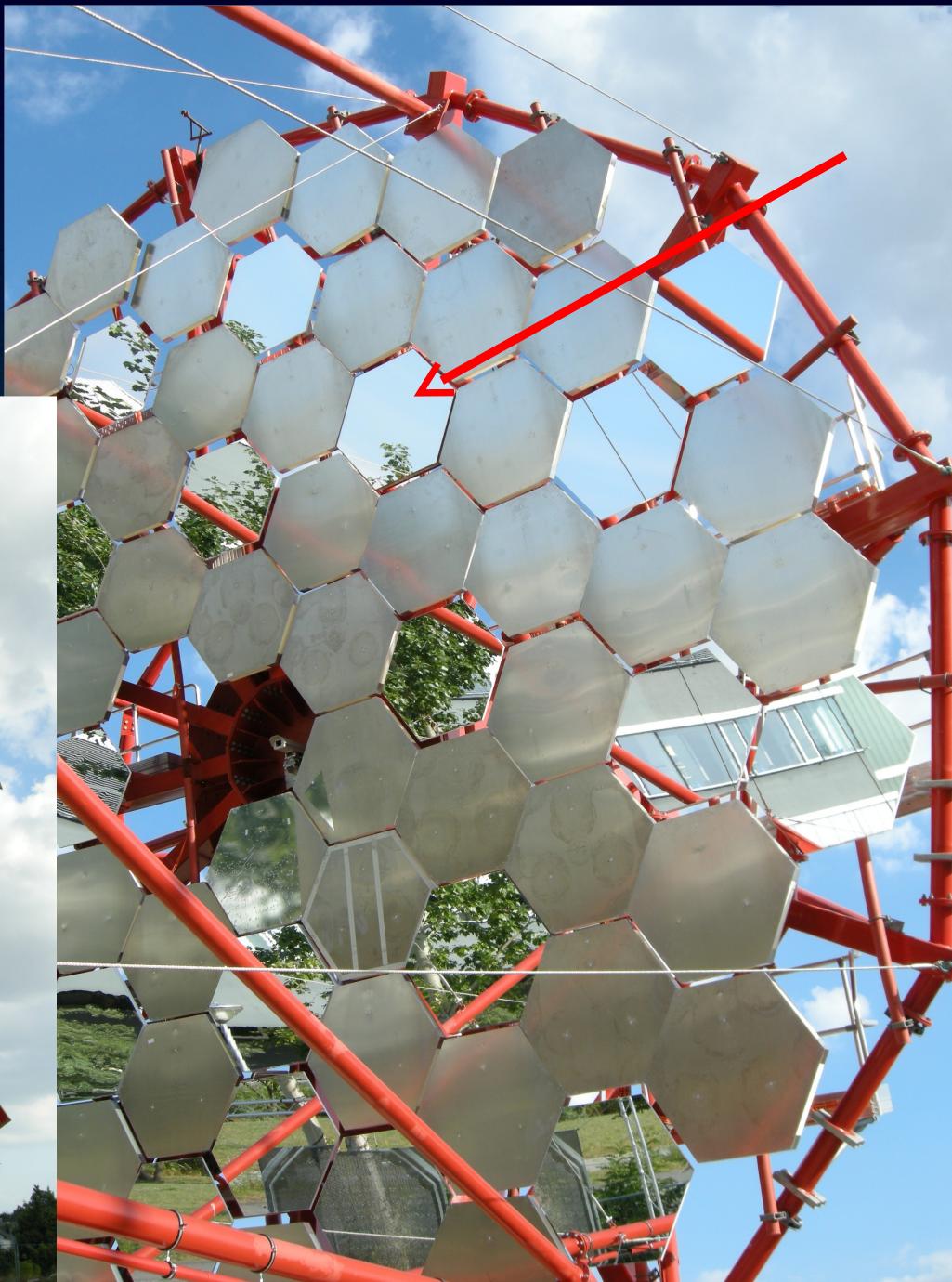
MST mirror prototypes



- several full-size (1,2 m face-to-face) prototype mirrors produced so far
- radius of curvature $R \sim 32,14$ m
- excellent optical characteristics (PSF)
- resistant to environmental conditions
- 4 mirror facets installed on the MST prototype in Berlin



On the MST prototype...



Collaboration Meeting, Open Session

CTA Science Gateway

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Search and verification of CTA sites

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30 people from 12 countries at 5 continents

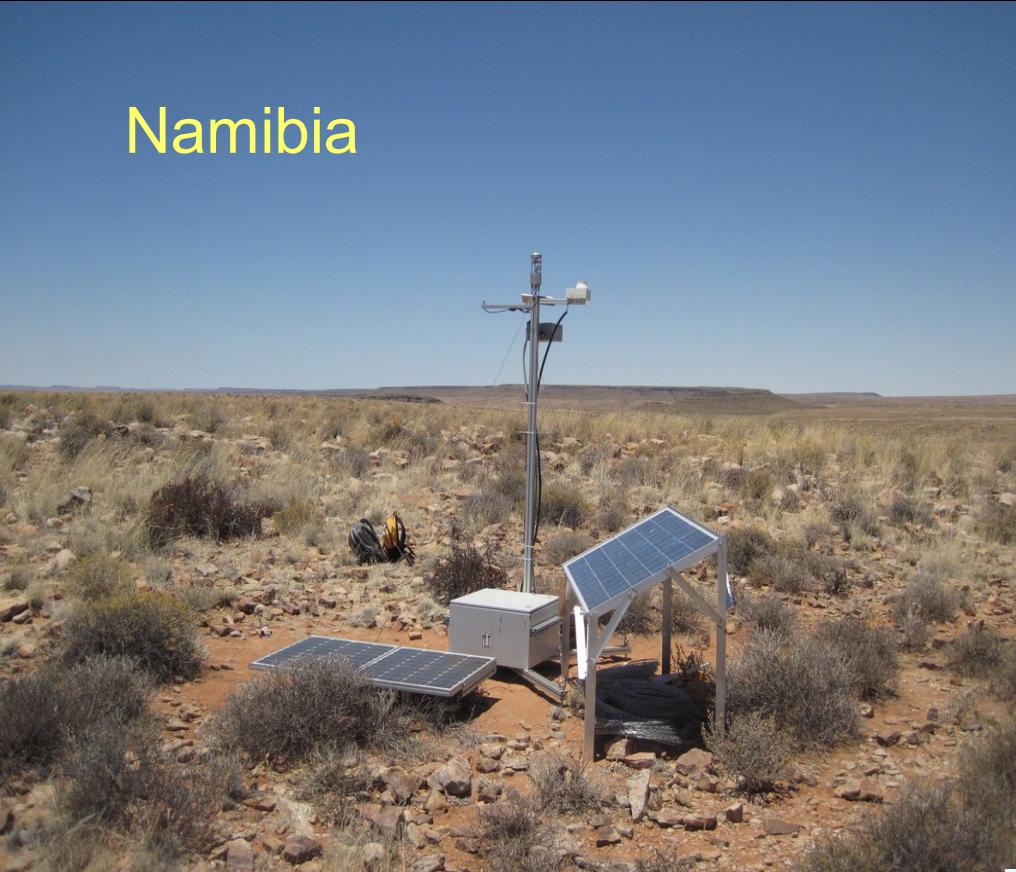
Sites analyzed:

6 at the Southern hemisphere in Argentyna, Chile & Namibia.

7 at the Northern hemisphere in China, India, Spain, US & Mexico

Large effort involved instalation of automatic monitoring stations in all sites.

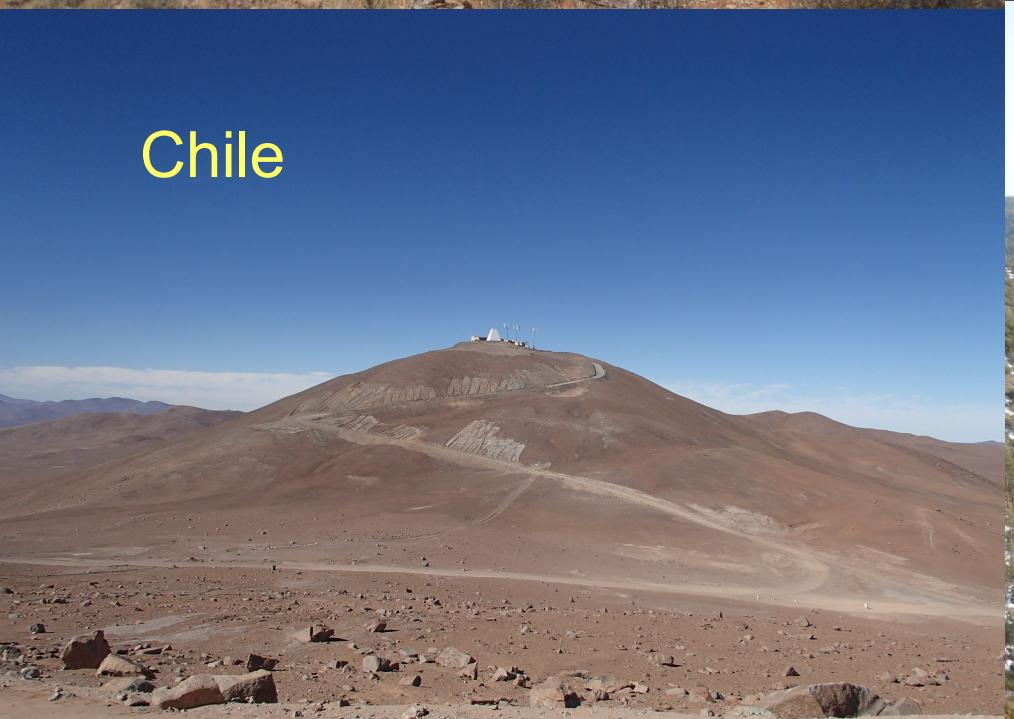
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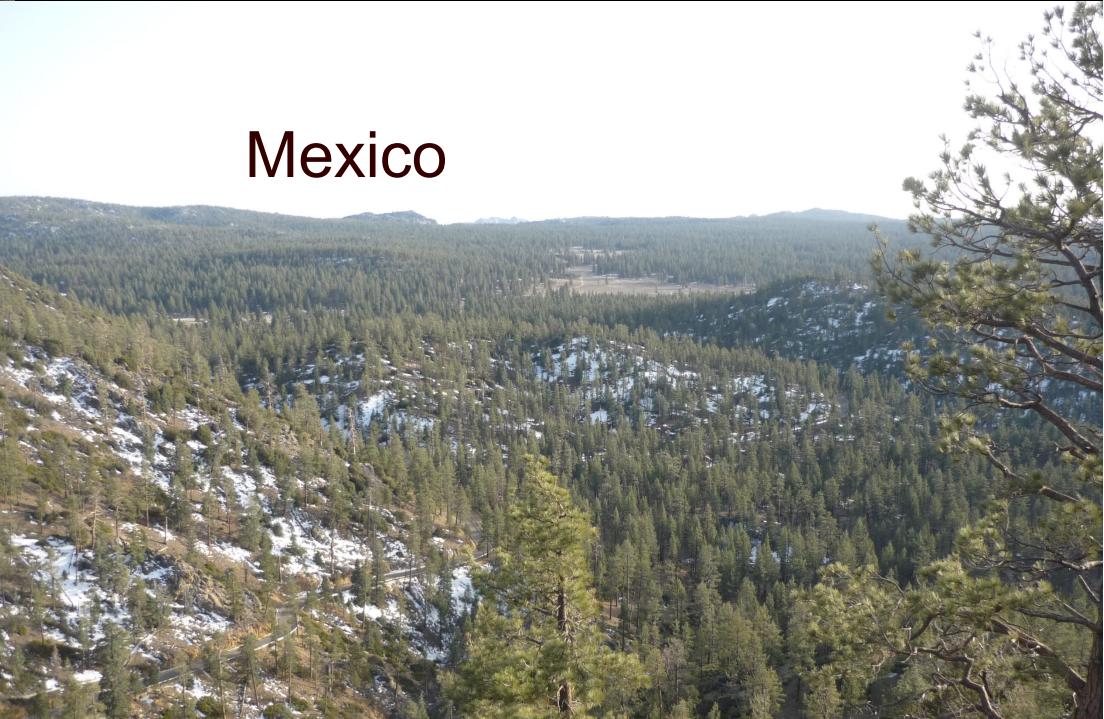
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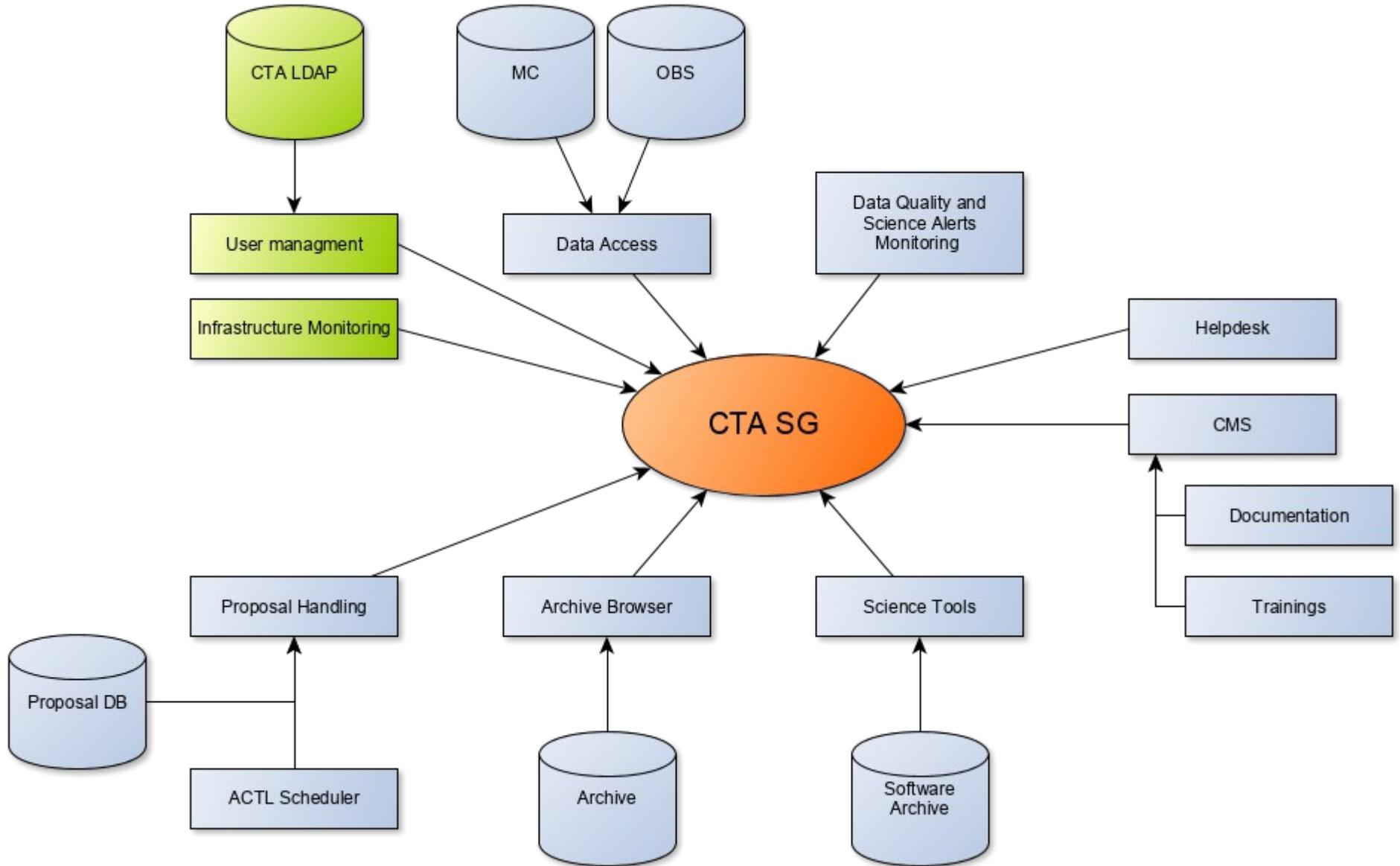
CTA Science Gateway

- Central access point for the CTA users
- Platform integrating CTA tools:
 - Reconstruction, observation analysis
 - Browsing & searching for simulations and observations data
 - Science Tools
 - Others...
- Access for external observers

The collage consists of six screenshots arranged in a grid-like pattern, each showing a different science gateway or archive interface:

- Fermi Science Support Center:** Shows the Fermi Gamma-ray Space Telescope logo and a map of the sky with gamma-ray sources.
- INTEGRAL Science Data Centre:** Shows the INTEGRAL satellite and a map of the sky with X-ray sources.
- XMM-Newton Science Archive (XSA):** Shows the XMM-Newton logo and a search interface for X-ray data.
- CHANDRA X-RAY OBSERVATORY:** Shows the Chandra X-ray Observatory logo and a search interface for X-ray data.
- Swift Archive Download Portal:** Shows the Swift logo and a search interface for X-ray data.
- University of Leicester Dept. of Physics & Astronomy CTA site:** Shows the University of Leicester logo and a search interface for X-ray data.

CTA Science Gateway



CTA SG – current status

- Address:
- Based on  LIFERAY platform
- Login-in: CTA login/password or certificate
- Features:
 - Browsing of CTA production data
 - Management of computing workflows
 - Access to DIRAC
 - CTA Infrastructure Monitoring
 - Tools:
 - ***sim_telarray*** – CTA array simulation
 - ***read-cta, eventdisplay*** – event reconstruction
 - ***ctools*** – high-level data analysis (light-curves, spectra)

CTA SG – Workflow management

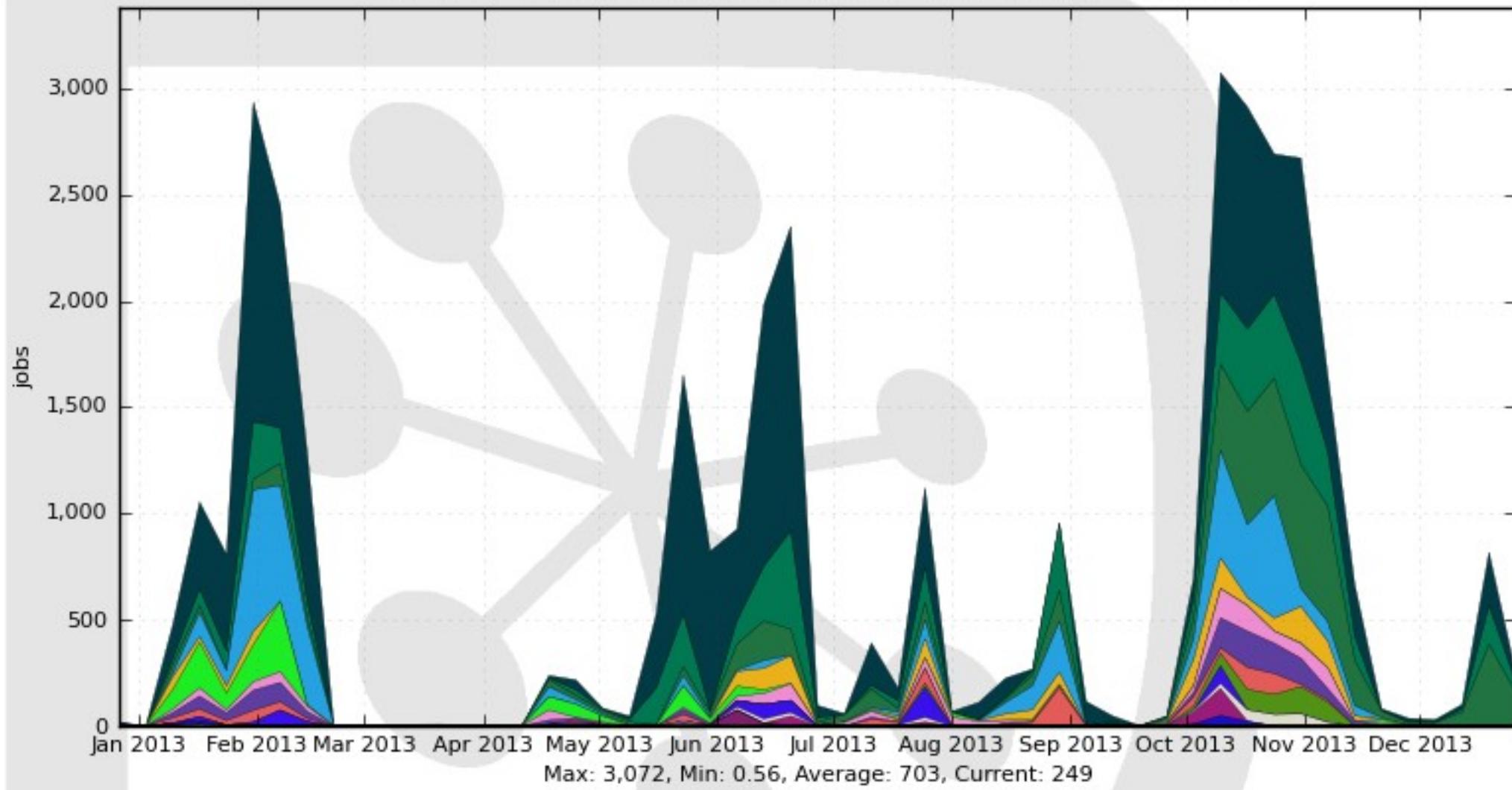
in silico



- Based or **in silico LAB** framework
- Managing of experiment workflows
- Intuitive interface:
 - Experiment configuration
 - Submitting jobs to GRID (gLITE, DIRAC)
 - Results downloading and visualization
 - Sharing data (LFC)
 - Reuse of the results in following experiments

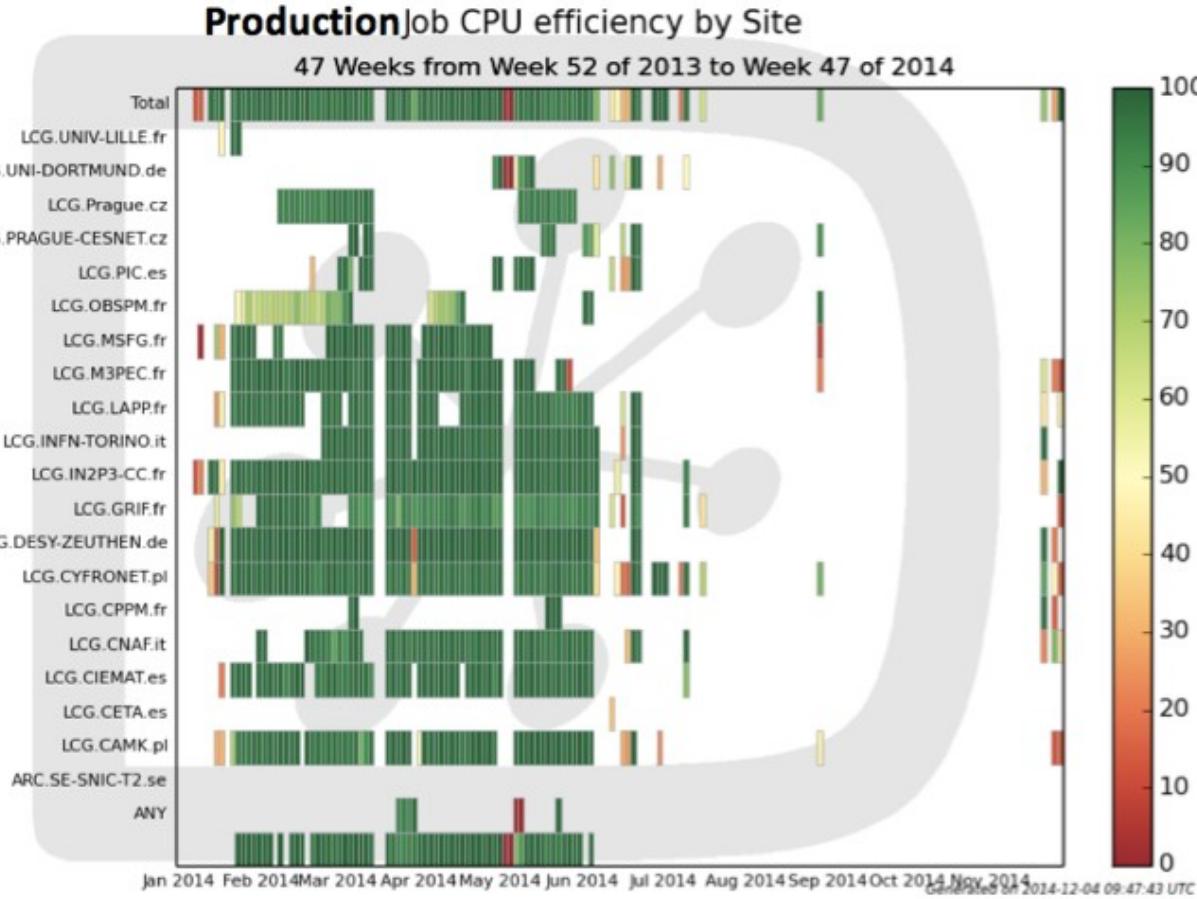
Running jobs by Site

52 Weeks from Week 52 of 2012 to Week 51 of 2013



→ LCG.CYFRONET.pl	41.4%	→ LCG.LAPP.fr	2.3%	LCG.GR-10-UOI.gr	0.0%
LCG.DESY-ZEUTHEN.de	13.3%	LCG.CAMK.pl	1.4%	LCG.CPPM.fr	0.0%
LCG.IN2P3-CC.fr	13.1%	LCG.Prague.cz	1.4%	ANY	0.0%
LCG.GRIF.fr	11.4%	LCG.UNIV-LILLE.fr	0.8%	Multiple	0.0%
LCG.M3PEC.fr	3.8%	LCG.INFN-TORINO.it	0.8%	DIRAC.PIC.es	0.0%
LCG.PIC.es	3.6%	LCG.OBSPM.fr	0.3%		
LCG.CIEMAT.es	3.1%	LCG.UNI-DORTMUND.de	0.2%		
LCG.MSFG.fr	3.0%	LCG.CNAF.it	0.1%		

Computing & Storage



Plans for 2015 in total:
200M CPUh (HS06)
~2 PB

Site	Allocated Disk (TB)	Used Disk (TB)
CYFRONET-LCG2	448	220
DESY-ZN	336	272
IN2P3-CC	80 (+110 Tape)	39
IN2P3-LAPP	60	50
GRIF	50	46
INFN-T1	30	-
Total	1004	627



One of the biggest CPU time
and storage provider for
CTA

CTA observatory construction

Current stage: telescope designs essentially complete; advanced prototyping

Passed Preliminary Technical Design Review

Final Technical Design Report and Critical Design Review in ~Q1 2015

Aim for construction approval in mid-2015

5 year construction period

Early operation of partial arrays

Investment cost 150 M€ (2006), escalates to ~200 M€; site infrastr. ~20 M€ (S); updated cost estimate in prep.

Currently establishing CTA Observatory GmbH interim legal entity

Transition to final legal entity in ~2 years

In Poland we have spent ~16 Mzl for CTA (grants). However, there is a problem with current financing of the Polish contribution to CTA construction.

<http://www.naukaonline.pl/news/item/1322-projekt-cherenkov-telescope-array-co-z-finansowaniem>

