

Lecture 5

Present and next generation instrumentation

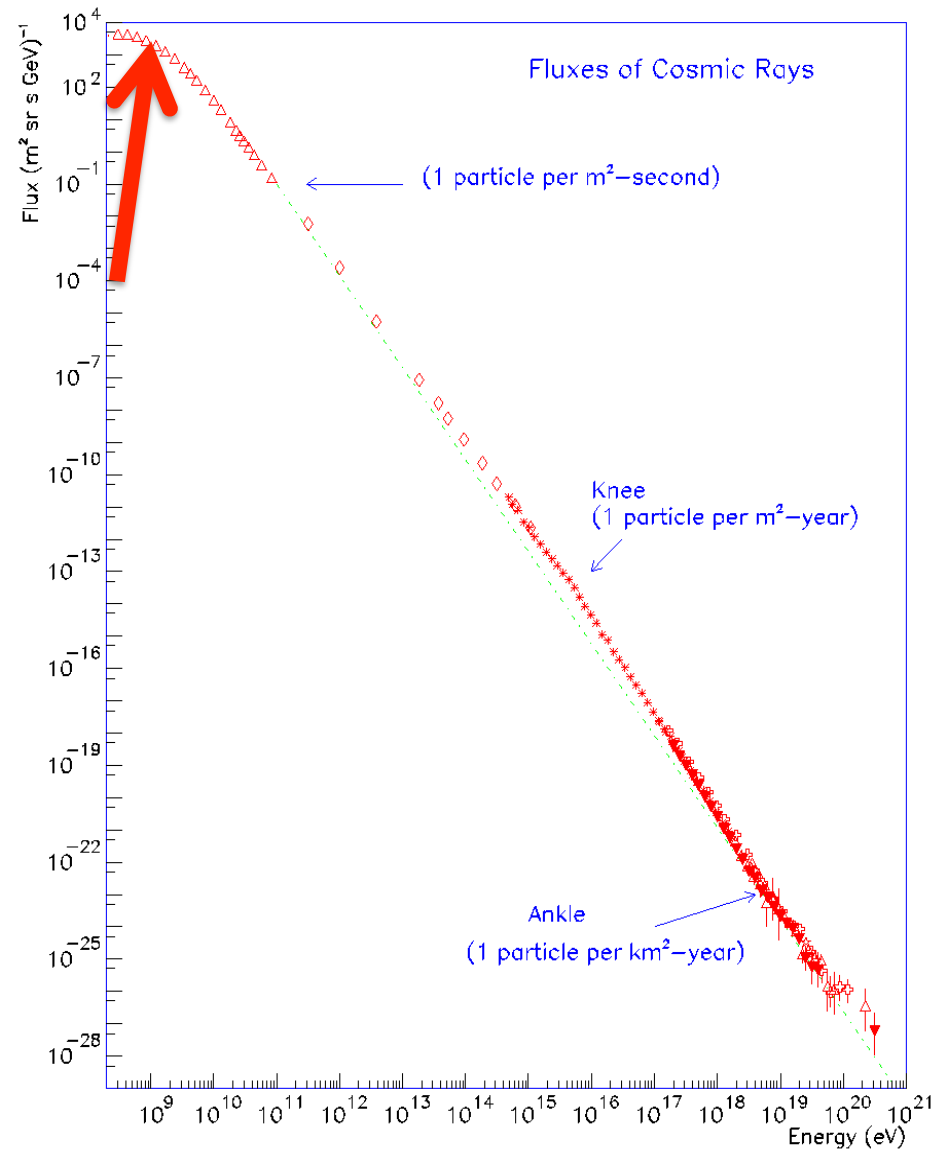
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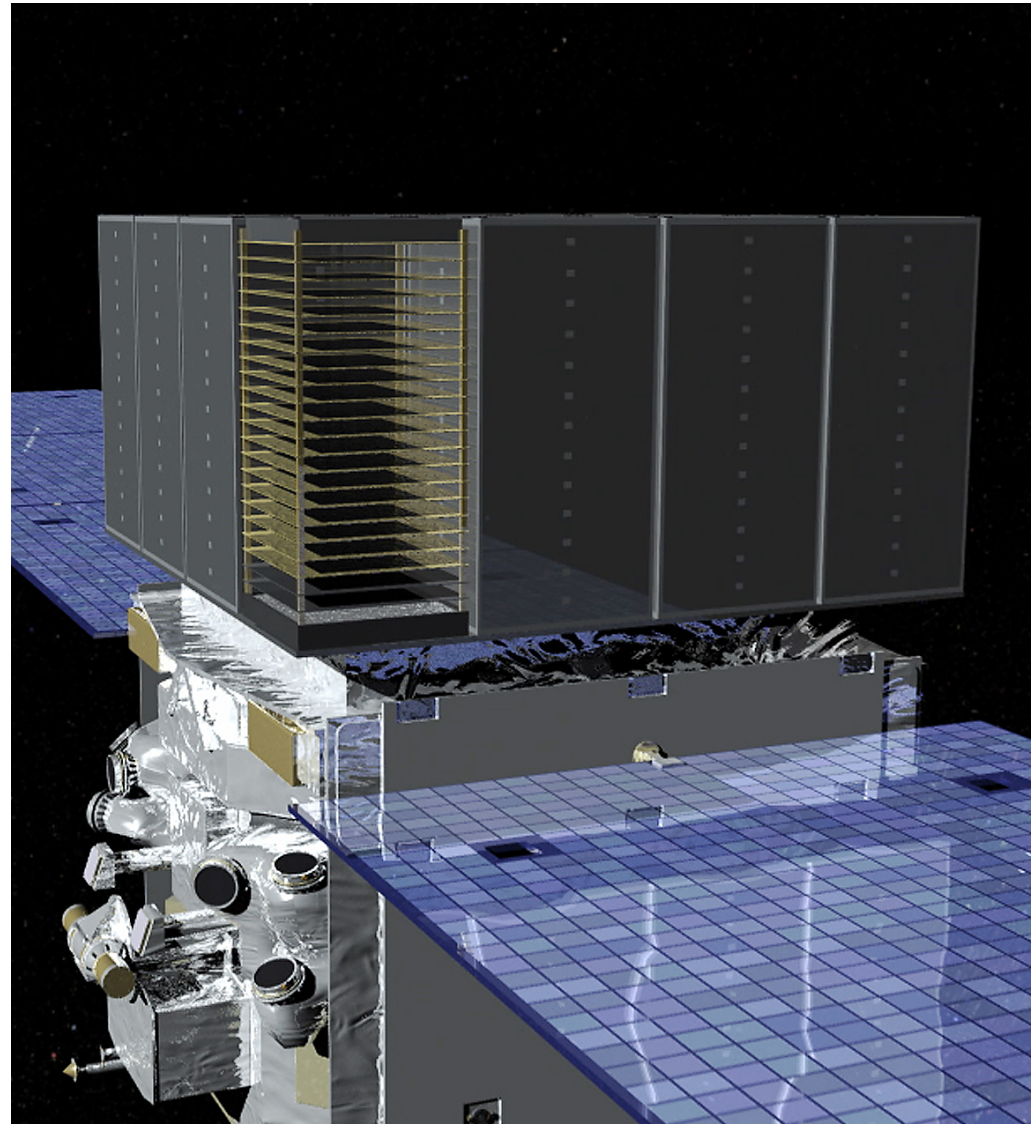
- Identification of the sources is possible only with the tools of multi-wavelength and multi-messenger astronomy.



High-energy gamma-ray astronomy

Fermi telescope is operational since 2008. Will collect data for still for another several years.

Impact of Fermi on the problem of the origin of Cosmic Rays is still not fully explored.



Very High-energy gamma-ray astronomy



Ground based gamma-ray astronomy with Cherenkov telescopes is a young field of science. Was really "opened" in the late 90'th with HEGRA telescope array.

- a set of 5 telescopes with 10 m² area dishes, 5° field-of-view cameras.
- small mirror collective area limited the energy threshold to $E_\gamma > 1$ TeV
- detected ~ 10 sources of $E_\gamma > 1$ TeV gamma-rays in ~ 5 years of operation.

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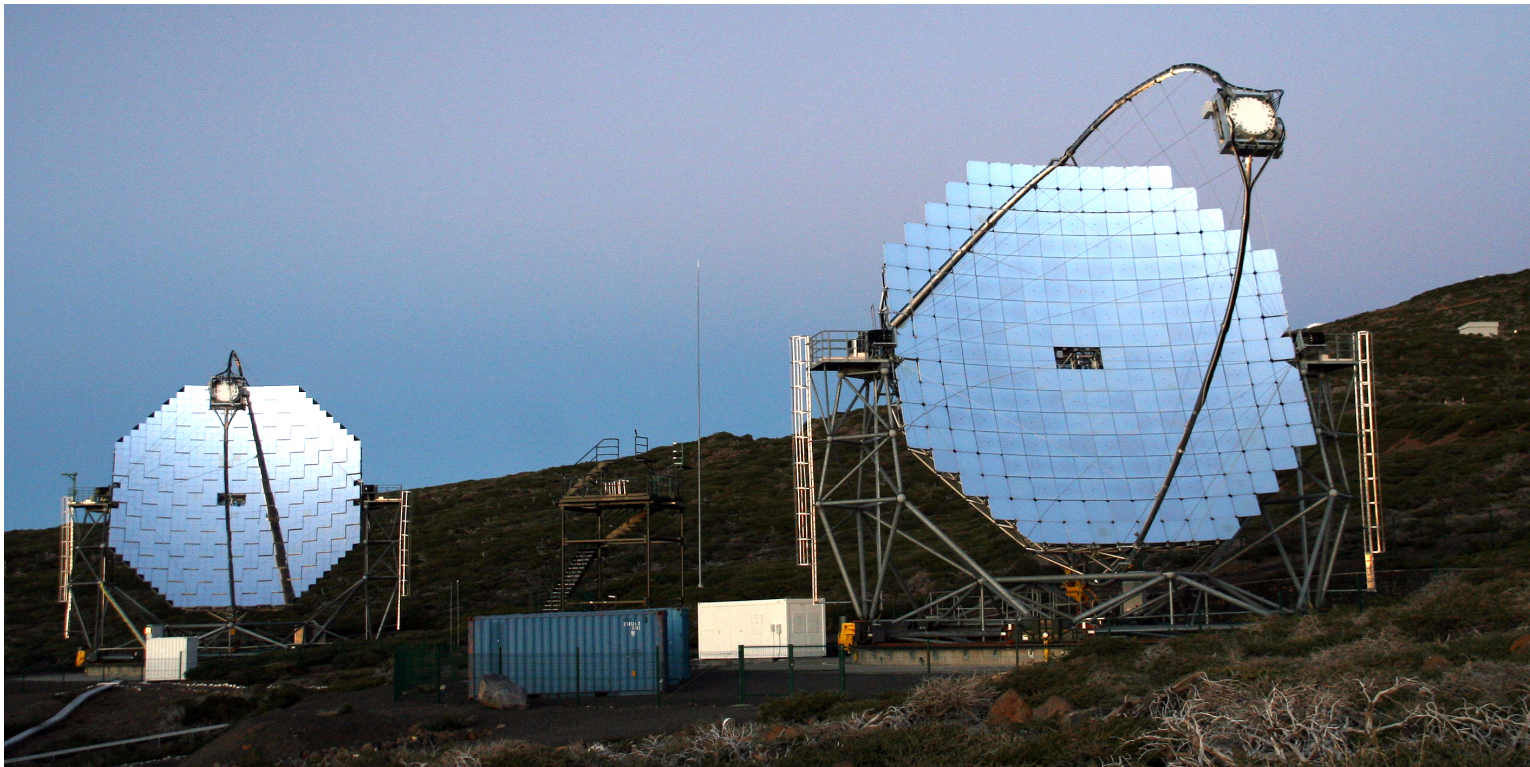


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HESS array in Namibia

- a set of 4 telescopes with dishes of diameter 12 m ($\sim 100 \text{ m}^2$ area), 5° field-of-view cameras.
- larger mirror collective area enabled to lower the energy threshold to $E_\gamma > 200 \text{ GeV}$
- detected ~ 50 sources of $E_\gamma > 200 \text{ GeV}$ gamma-rays in ~ 6 years of operation.

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MAGIC-II array at La Palma

- a set of 2 telescopes with dishes of diameter 17 m ($\sim 200 \text{ m}^2$ area), 3° field-of-view cameras.
- still larger mirror collective area enables to lower the energy threshold to $E_\gamma > 70 \text{ GeV}$
- detected ~ 50 sources of $E_\gamma > 200 \text{ GeV}$ gamma-rays in $\sim 1\text{-}5$ years of operation.

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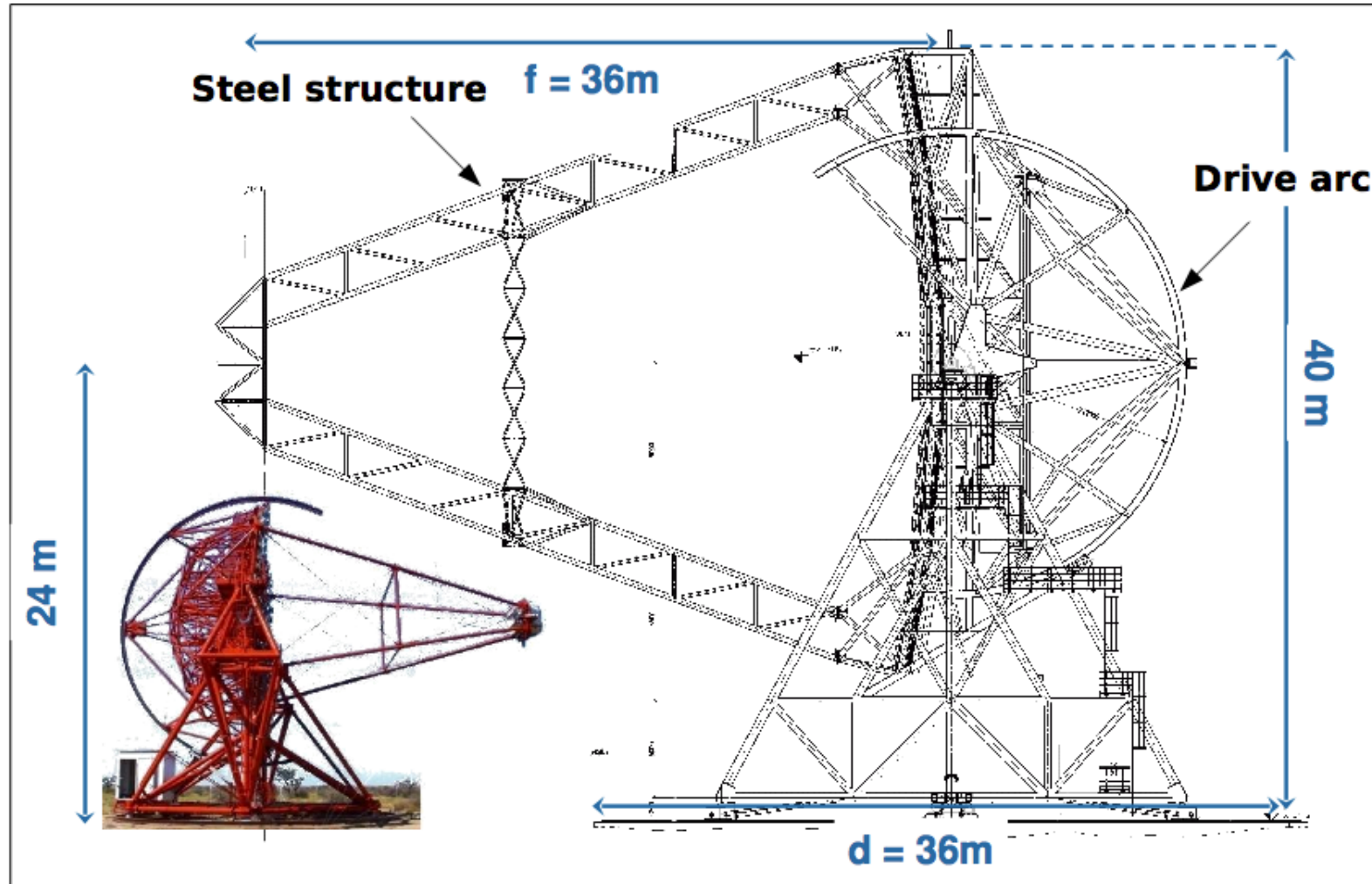
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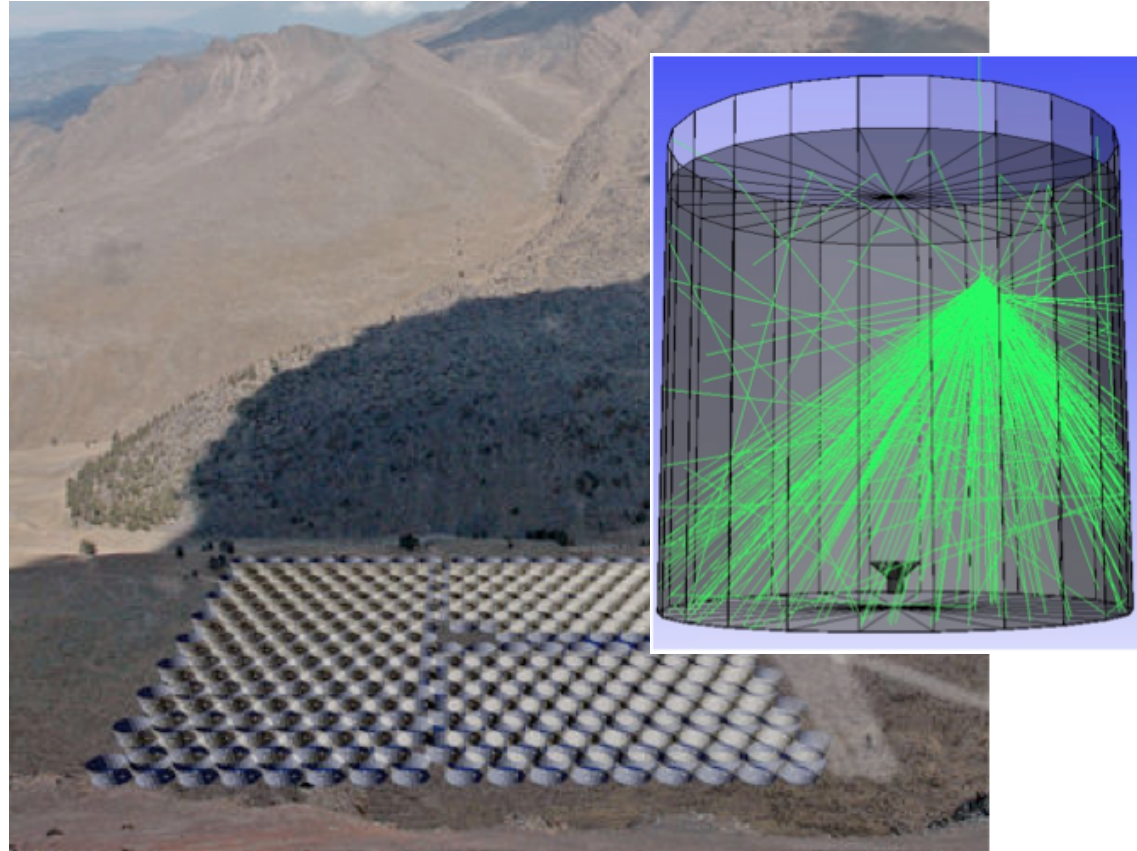
... nearest future



HESS collaboration is currently building a larger size telescope (dish diameter 27 m , collection area $\sim 600\text{ m}^2$) to achieve a lower energy threshold $E_\gamma > 50\text{ GeV}$.

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... nearest future



A dense air shower array HAWC (High Altitude Water Cherenkov telescope) is under construction in Mexico (Sierra Negra, altitude 4100 m a.s.l.).

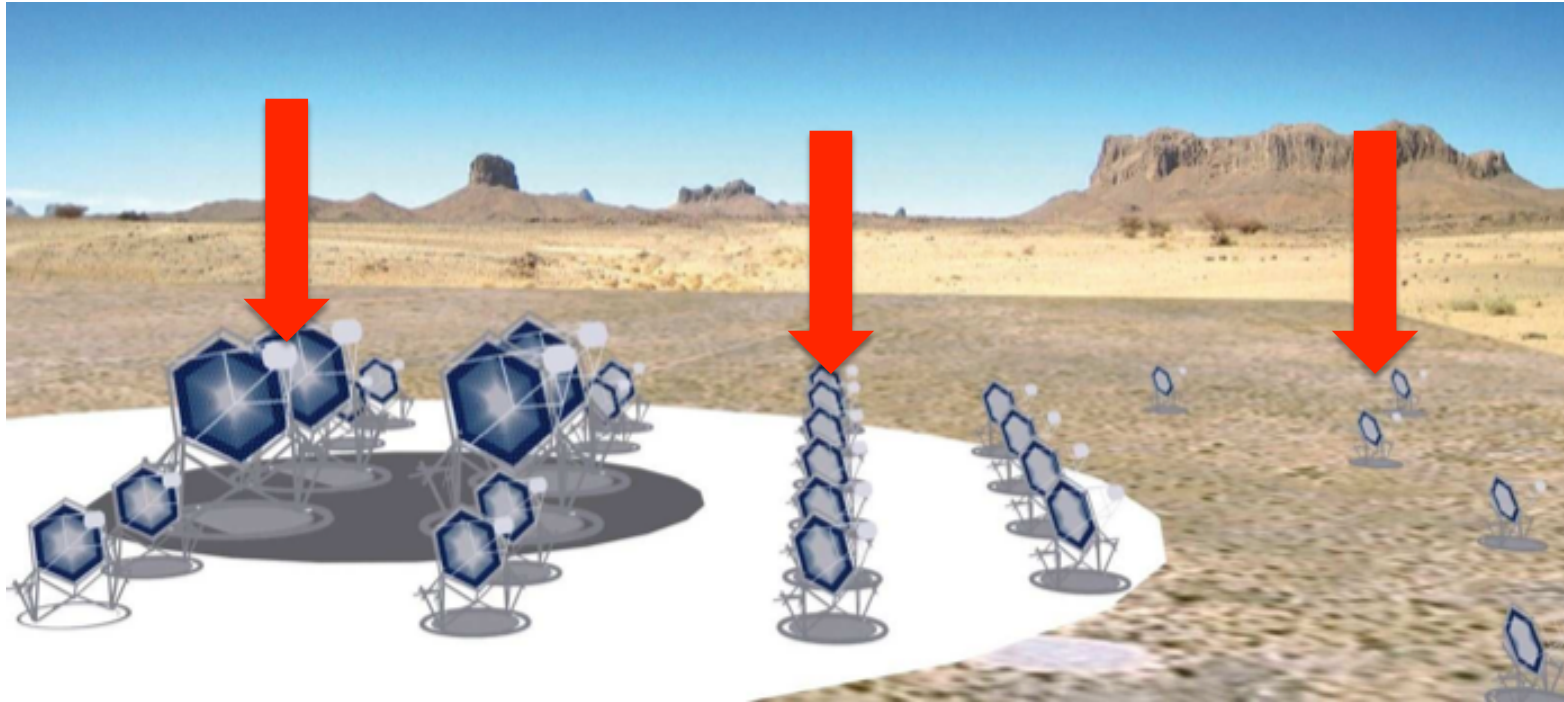
Gamma-ray induced showers are detected with water tanks equipped with PMTs.

High altitude of the site allows to detect air showers induced by $E \sim 100$ GeV gamma-rays.

Very High-energy gamma-ray astronomy

... near future

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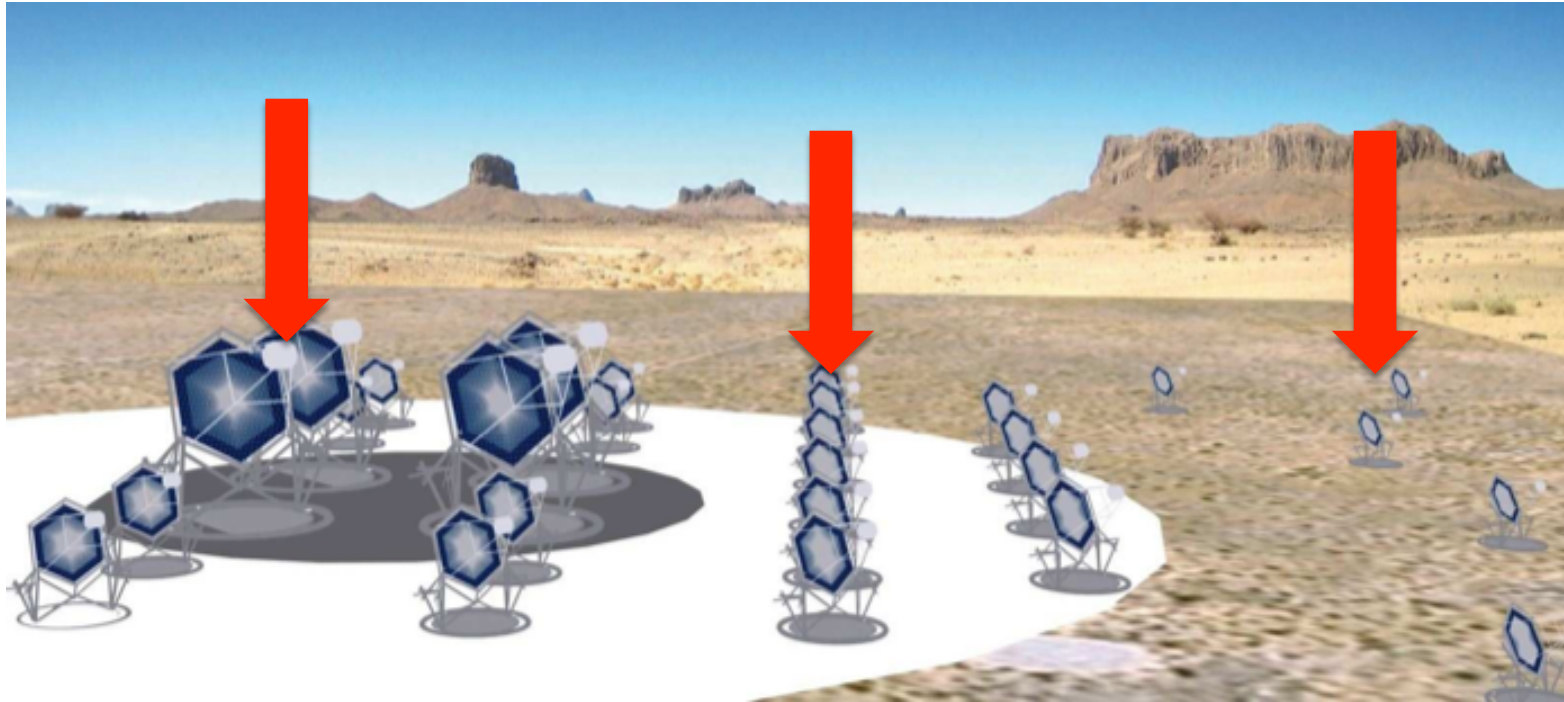
Main next-generation project is Cherenkov Telescope Array (CTA).

- A combined array of telescopes of different sizes;
- Large (~ 30 m diameter dish) telescopes to achieve lowest possible energy threshold;
- Medium (~ 10 m diameter dish) telescopes to get coverage in the "conventional" 0.1-10 TeV energy range, but with larger collection area and better energy+angular resolution;
- Large number of small (~ 5 m diameter dish) telescopes spread over ~ 3 km distance, to achieve $\sim 10 \text{ km}^2$ collection area needed for detection of 100 TeV γ -rays.

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... near future

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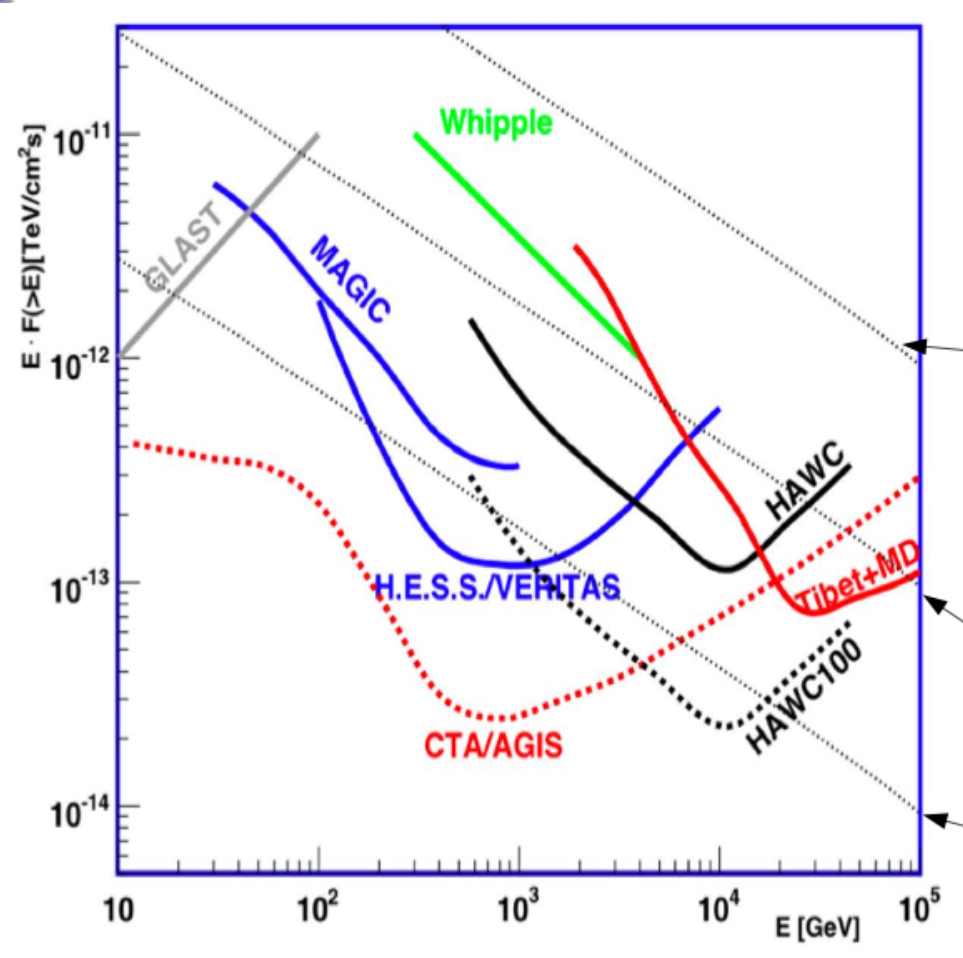


Funded by the EU + national contributions. Currently in the "prototyping" phase.

Construction phase is expected to start in the next ~5 yr.

Very High-energy gamma-ray astronomy

... near future



New generation of VHE gamma-ray telescopes will allow increase of sensitivity by a factor of ~ 10 compared to the present generation instruments.

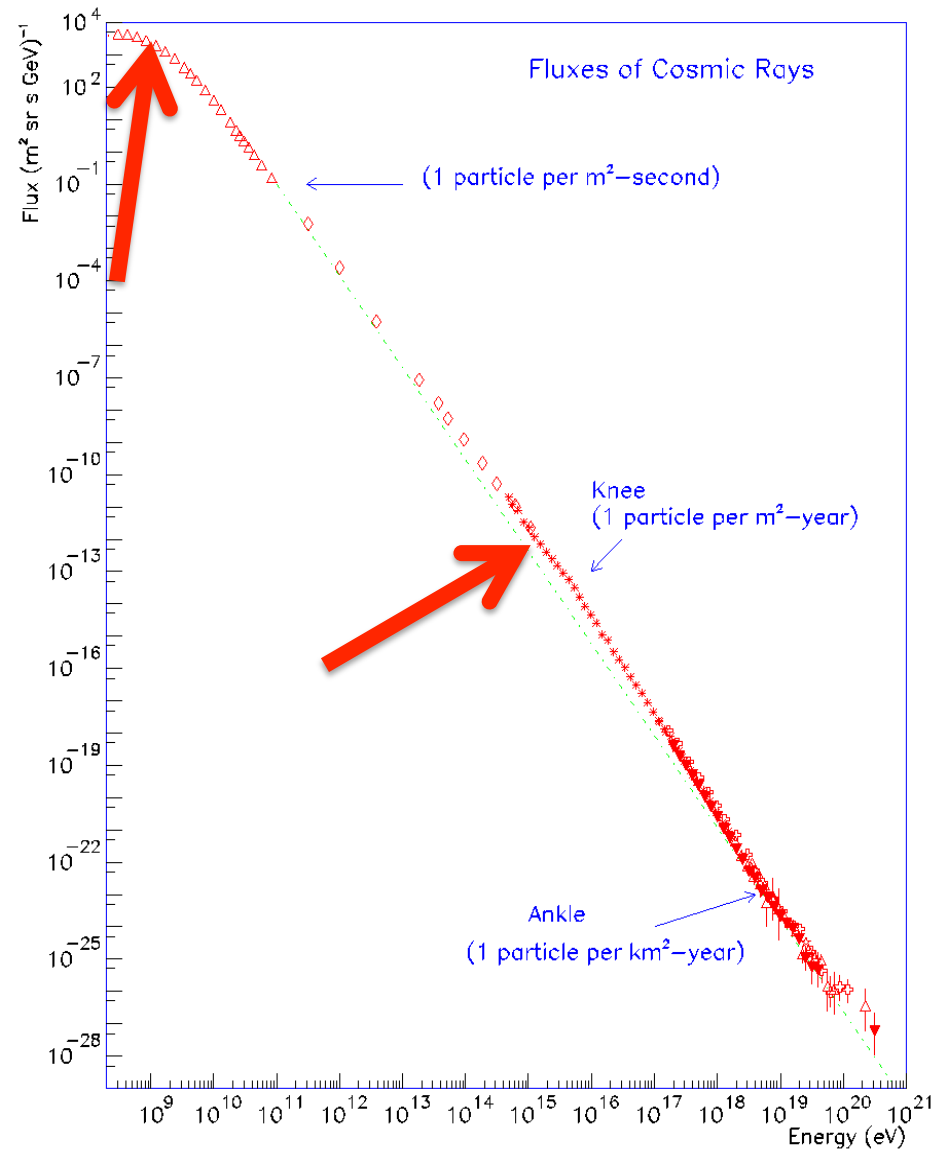
It will also extend the window for astronomical observations to $E_\gamma \geq 100 \text{ TeV}$

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What is the origin of the "knee" of the cosmic ray spectrum? What sources (Galactic ?) are responsible for the CR flux in the "knee" energy region?



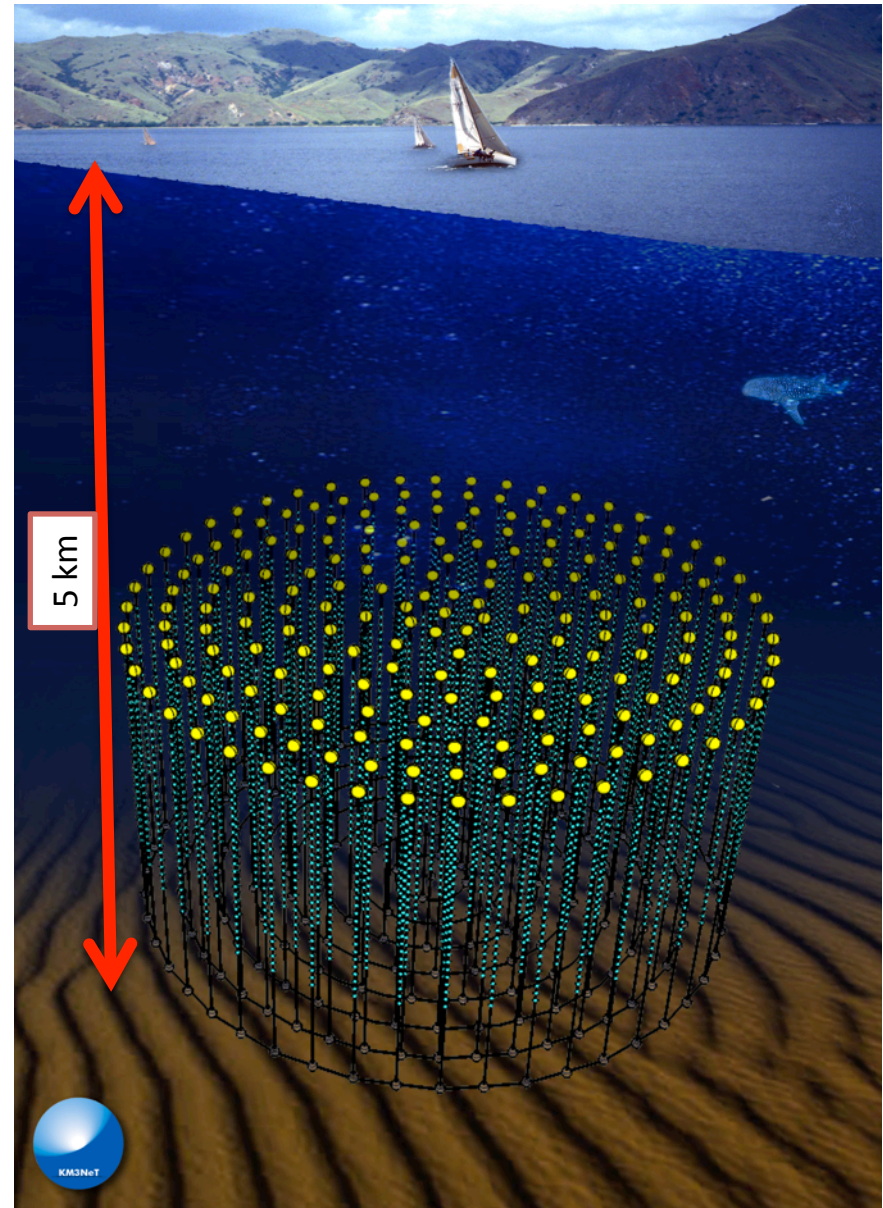
Very-high-energy neutrino astronomy

Km³ class detectors of very-high-energy neutrinos.

Construction of IceCube detector in the Antarctic ice is completed. Data taking is on-going.

A European project of a km³ scale detector in the Mediterranean is in the "preparatory" (in terms of the European FP7 network program) phase.

Construction is expected to start in the next several years (?)



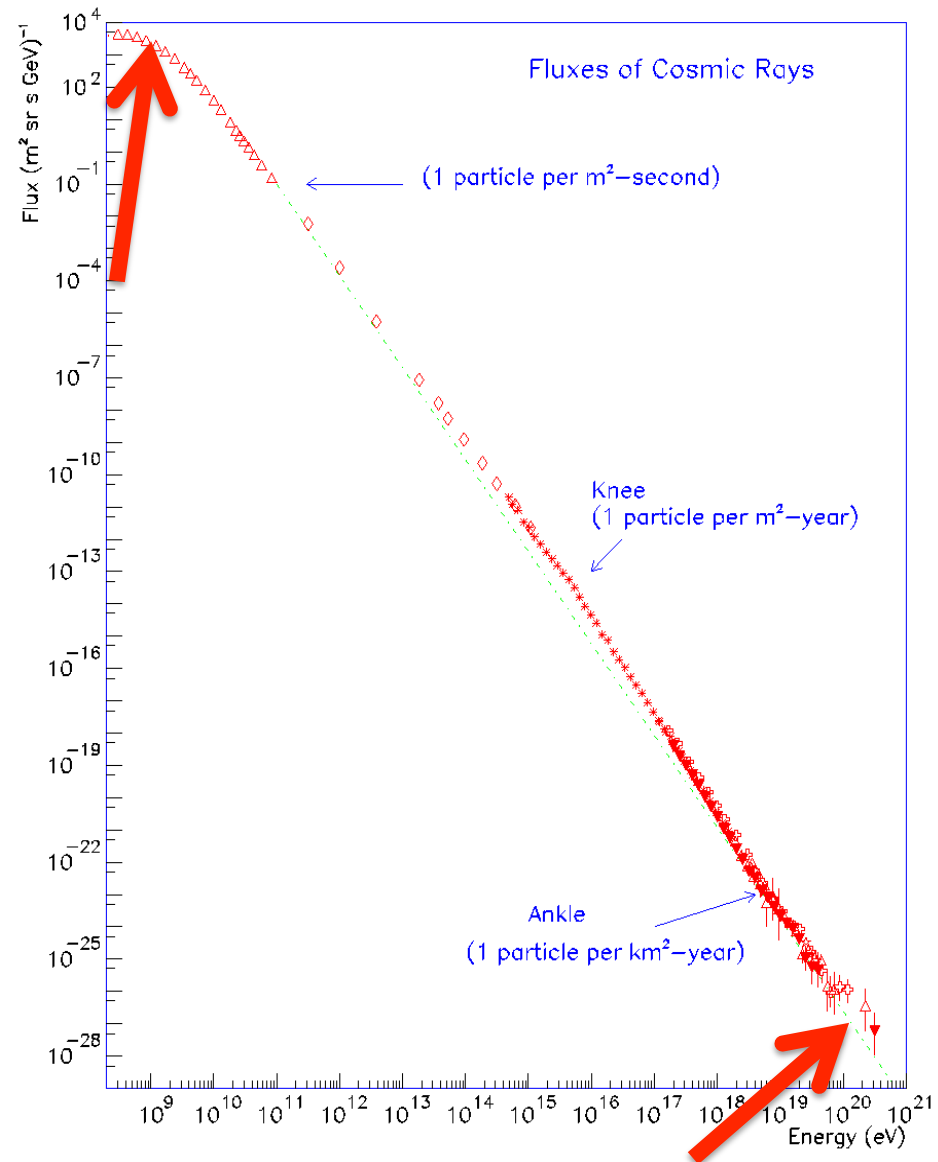
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What are the sources of the highest energy cosmic rays?

- What kind of particles is contributing to the highest energy CR flux (protons, heavy nuclei)?
- Sources of UHECR could possibly be found by the back tracing of UHECR arrival directions.
- Dramatic increase in the effective collection area, much beyond 3000 km² of Pierre Auger Observatory is needed.



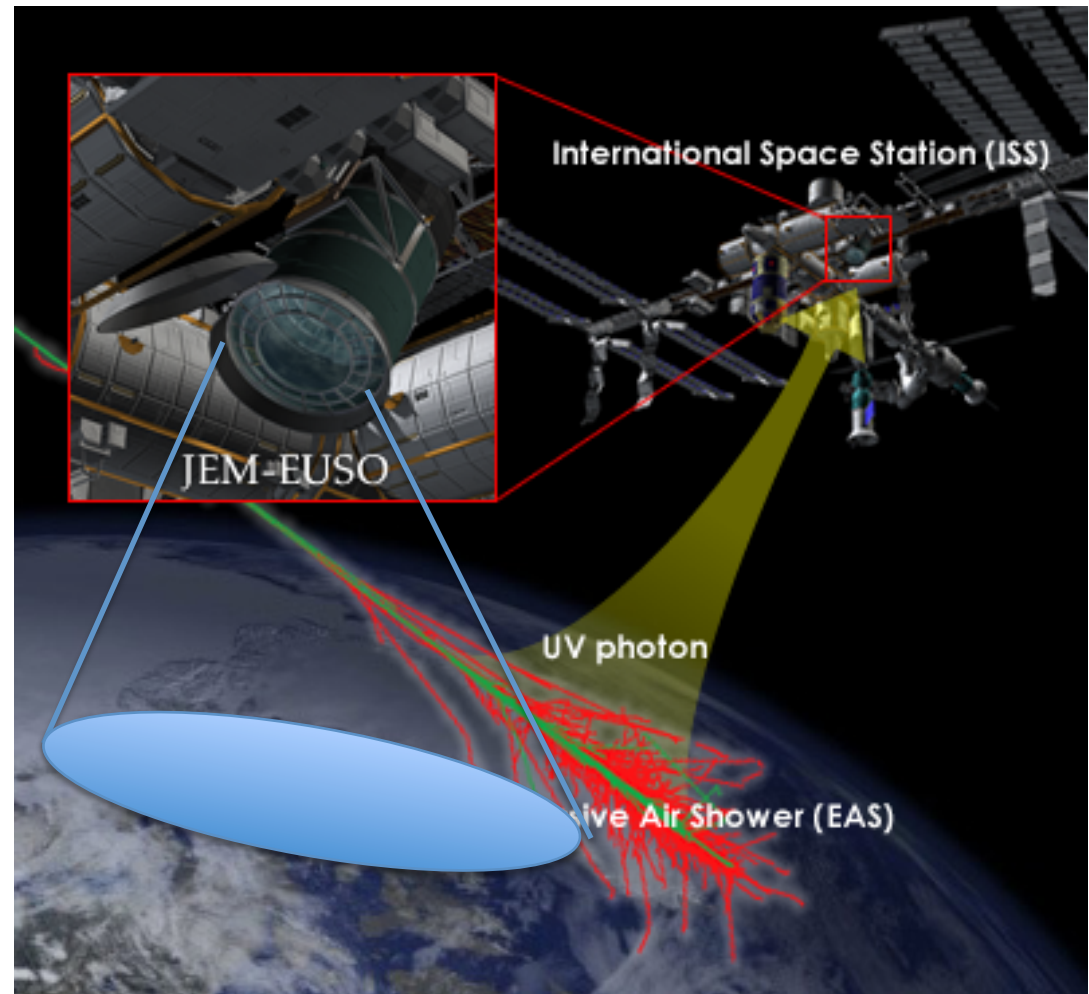
UHECR astronomy/physics

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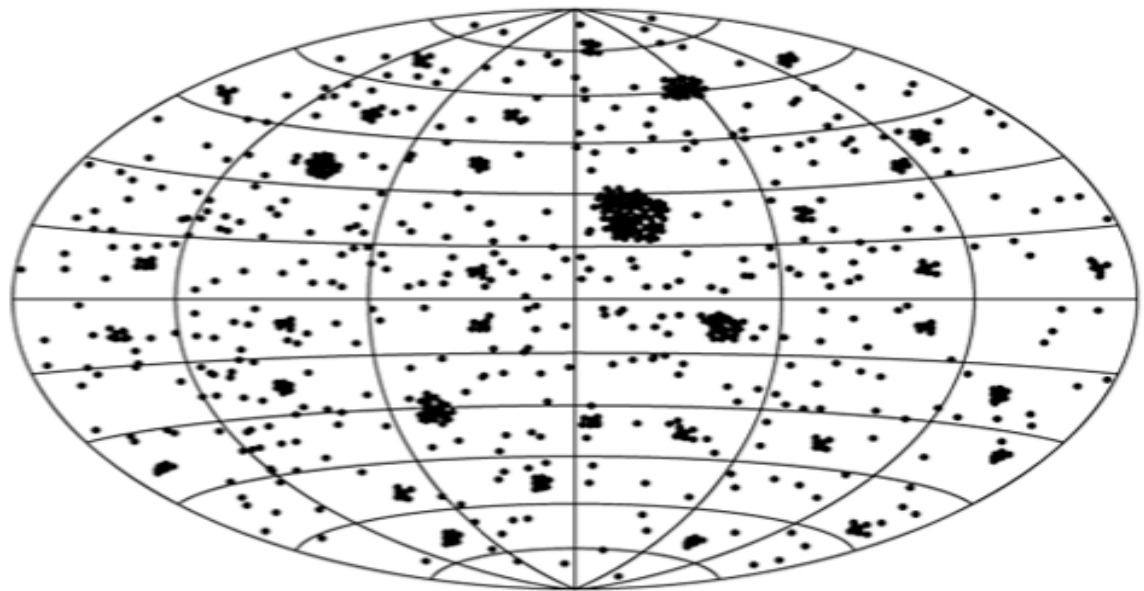
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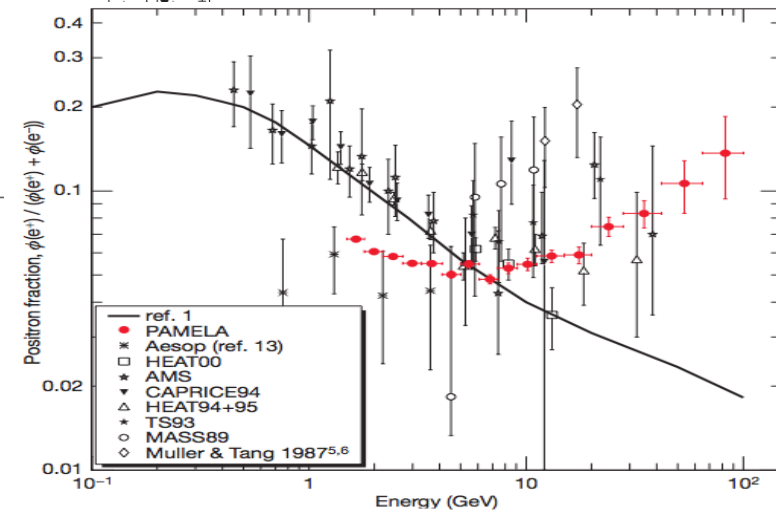
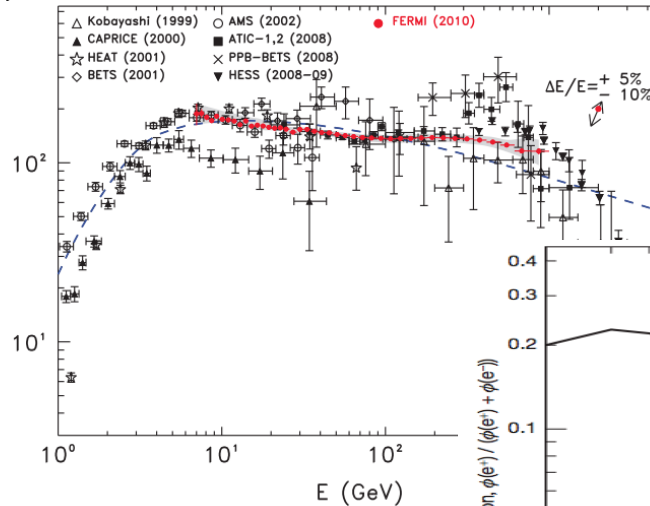
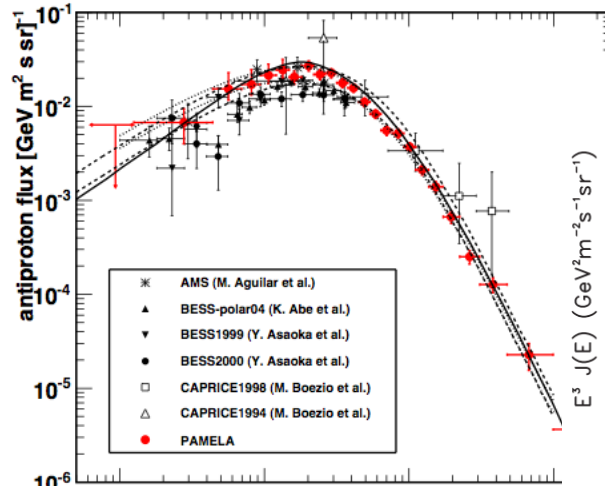
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Will detect $\sim 10^3$ UHECR events with energy above $5 \times 10^{19} \text{ eV}$.



CR electrons, positrons & anti-protons



What are the sources of CR electrons with energies in the TeV range?

Are there nearby sources of CR positrons or they are of "secondary" origin?

What is the origin of "anomaly" in the positron spectrum?

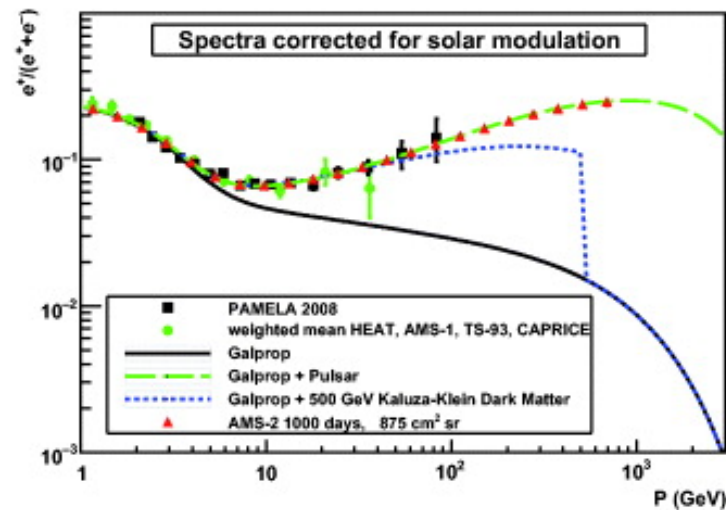
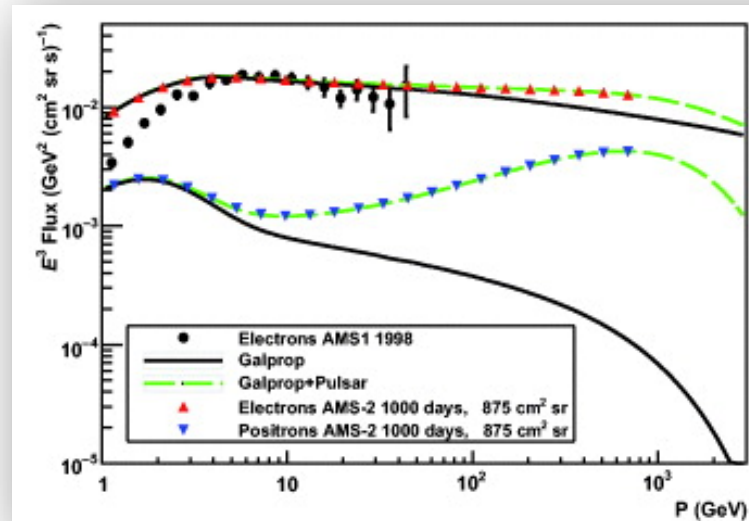
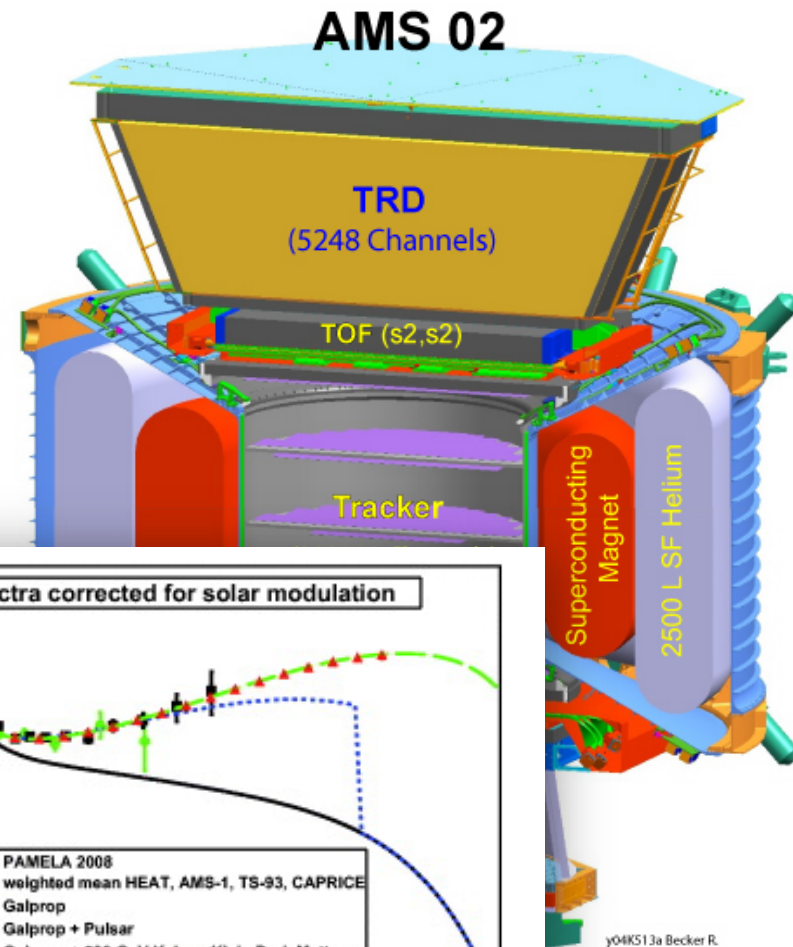
Are there signatures of DM annihilation in the DM halo of the Galaxy?

Low energy CR physics

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Will provide high statistics measurement of CR electron and positron spectrum in the energy range of Pamela anomaly.



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Summary

