# **R&D** for **High Energy Astroparticle Physics**

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#### **R&D on photon detectors** (by M. Teshima)

- Limited flux / rare events → Large area / Large Volume → Transparent Material (Air, Water, ICE) → Photon detectors
- Examples:
  - Ground based Gamma Ray Astronomy
    - Imaging Air Cherenkov Telescopes
  - High Energy Neutrino Astronomy
    - Water / ICE Cherenkov detectors
  - Ultra High Energy Cosmic Rays
    - Water tanks, Scintillation detectors
    - Ground-based air fluorescence detectors









### **Improvements and developments**

- Higher quantum efficiency / High photo-detection efficiency
  - Lower threshold energy (wider energy range)
  - Equivalent to enlarge telescope
- Very Fast response
  - Better angular / position resolution
  - Better noise reduction
- Pixel detectors and direction sensitive detectors
  - Imaging
  - Better signal to noise ratio
- Associated development
  - Fast, High Integrated Readout Electronics
  - Analogue signal fiber transmission
  - High reflective material
- Service facilities
  - Photodetector measurement/characterization laboratory in EU

# Main R&D

- Vacuum photodetectors
  - HPD development
  - PMT development (higher performance)
  - Large PMT/HPD development
- Si-photodetectors
  - SiPM development (higher performance)
  - SiPM applications (Array of SiPM, cooling module)
  - APDs
- Electronics and Analogue Link
  - Readout Electronics (compact, high integration)
  - Analogue fiber optical signal transmission

#### Vacuum detector HPD R9792U-40 18mm GaAsP HPD by MPI & Hamamatsu

**Compact HPD Operating Principle** GaAsP photocathode PHOTOCATHODE PHOTON PHOTO--8kV ELECTRONS Electron mbardm 20 time APD Avalanche Multiplication 50 times OUTPUT PIN

#### R9792U-40 分光感度特性(44本)





PHD : MHP0015





# HPD vs. PMT for M.C. y Shower

17m telescope becomes equivalent with 24m telescope

E=29GeV, r=90m, Zd=20° E=36GeV, r=94m, Zd=20° E=45GeV, r=107m, Zd=20°

HPD with 10ns gate (2 Gsamples/s FADC)



PMT with 20ns gate (300Msamples/s FADC)

High Q.E. PMT materials







Potentially High photon detection efficiency

«Advanced study of SiPM»

For further details see:

http://www.slac.stanford.edu/pubs/icfa/fall01.html

#### Courtesy of Prof.Dolgoshein

#### R&D on atmospheric monitoring by J. Ridky

- Better quality of atmospheric monitoring to make full use of new technology in order to obtain high quality & precision data
- Main problem: processes in the troposphere are not coupled to what we can observe on the ground
- Build a local weather model -it will be an ad hoc model, the more reasonable input the better results....after some maturing of the model (it takes time!)
- Control aerosols

**Monitoring and tools** Necessity to monitor: Attenuation - Rayleigh, Mie scattering Cloud coverage Atmospheric profile - vertical density distribution ■ Air glow Lightning • Available tools: Local weather stations Meteorological probes - balloons Star monitors Lidars - single w.l., Raman Aerosol probes, laser shots Light sources - HAM Satellite measurements

# **Curent situation**

	whether stations	balloon probes	star monitor	lidars - single w.l.	Raman lidar	aerosol monitor	satellite data
AUGER	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
H.E.S.S.	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	<b>√</b> *	
MAGIC	$\checkmark$			$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$		
R&D EUSO				$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$

# **R&D** on radiodetection

#### by A. Van den Berg

- Long attenuation length in atmosphere and dielectric solids
- Coherence if shower front < wave length
- Polarization measurement provides extra information (magnetic field strength and direction)
- Directional technique (main stream)
  - Cherenkov radiation (Askaryan effect)
  - Geo-synchrotron radiation
- Omni-directional technique (few activities)
  - Radar
  - Molecular Bremsstrahlung



## Neutrino detection

 Several neutrino detectors have already taken data (RICE, ANITA, GLUE...)

New projects

#### **ARIANNA** Array



Antarctic Ross Ice shelf ANtenna Neutrino Array

### **Cosmic air shower detection**

 Intense R&D activity ■ Set ups • LOPES @ Karlsruhe, DE • CODALEMA @ Nançay, FR • LOIS @ Växjö, SE • Tests on the Auger site (Malargue) Theory Analytical Monte-Carlo



## **Required R&D**

Optimize antenna: dipole (thin, fat, log-periodic, inverted dual-V), tripole
Self-trigger, data handling and transfer
Power budget
Atmospheric conditions
Simulations on energy estimation and particle identification

#### **R&D on acoustic detection** by L. Thompson

#### Interesting for high energy neutrino telescopes: hybrid detection

Existing experiment: Sound Stanford based venture using the AUTEC array, naval hydrophones in the Bahamas

First limit paper published based on 195 days reading out 7 hydrophones *astro--ph/0406105ph/0406105* 



### **R&D** challenges

#### Sensor development

Requires a good theoretical model of piezo and the coupling

#### Sensor calibration

Calibration by using a large water volume (78m x 10m x 5m) 10m x 5m) a fully calibrated reference hydrophone and a broadband transmitter

Simulations and sensitivity calculations



# Computing challenges in HEAP experiments

Data transfer from isolated locations
Storage of data and in particular large amount of monitoring data
Fast simulations