



The LHAASO Experiment

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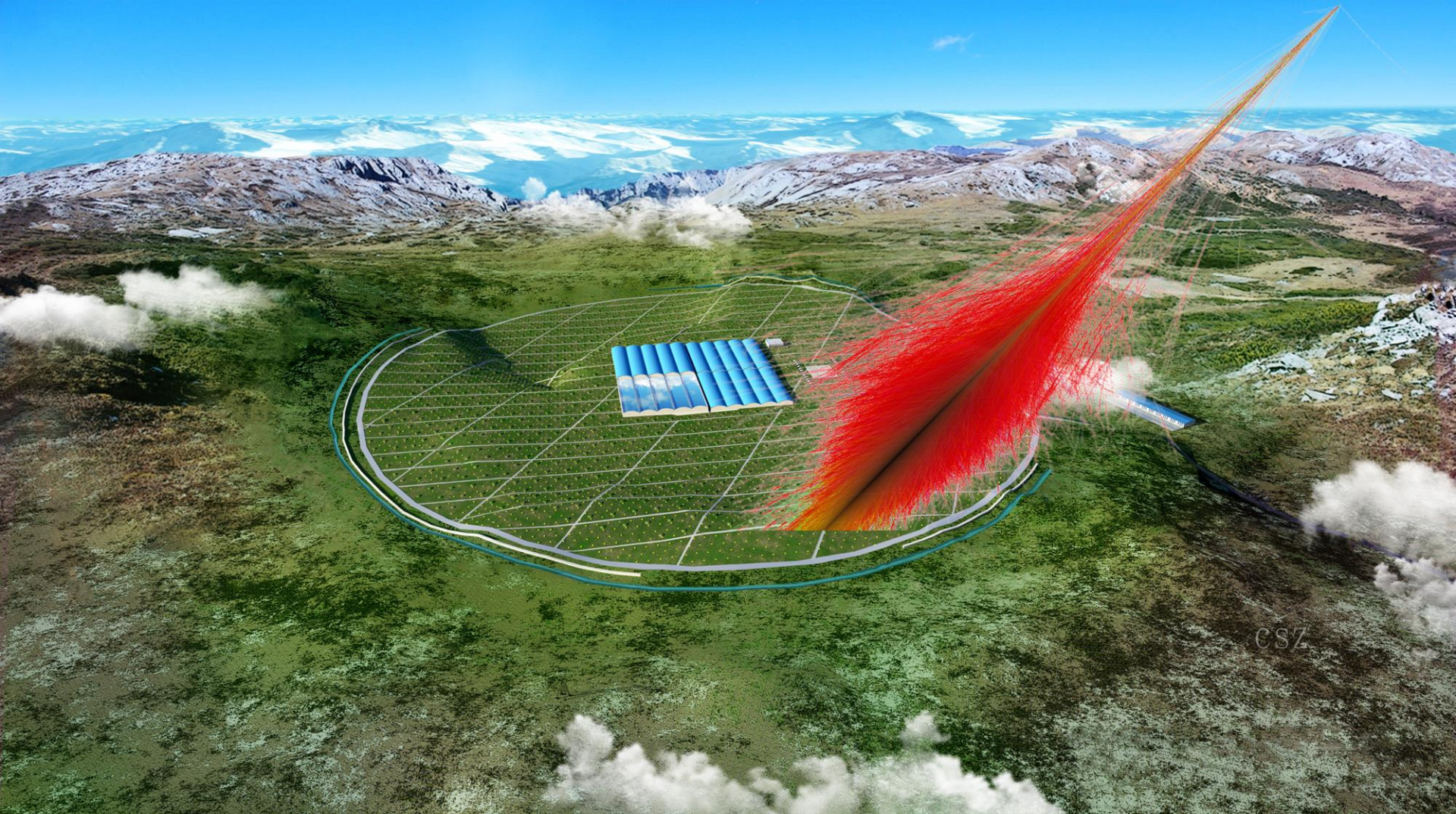
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- 2. LHAASO detector design
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- 4. Prototyping at YBJ Tibet
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1. Introduction

LHAASO: Large High Altitude Air Shower Observatory



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2008 April: R&D

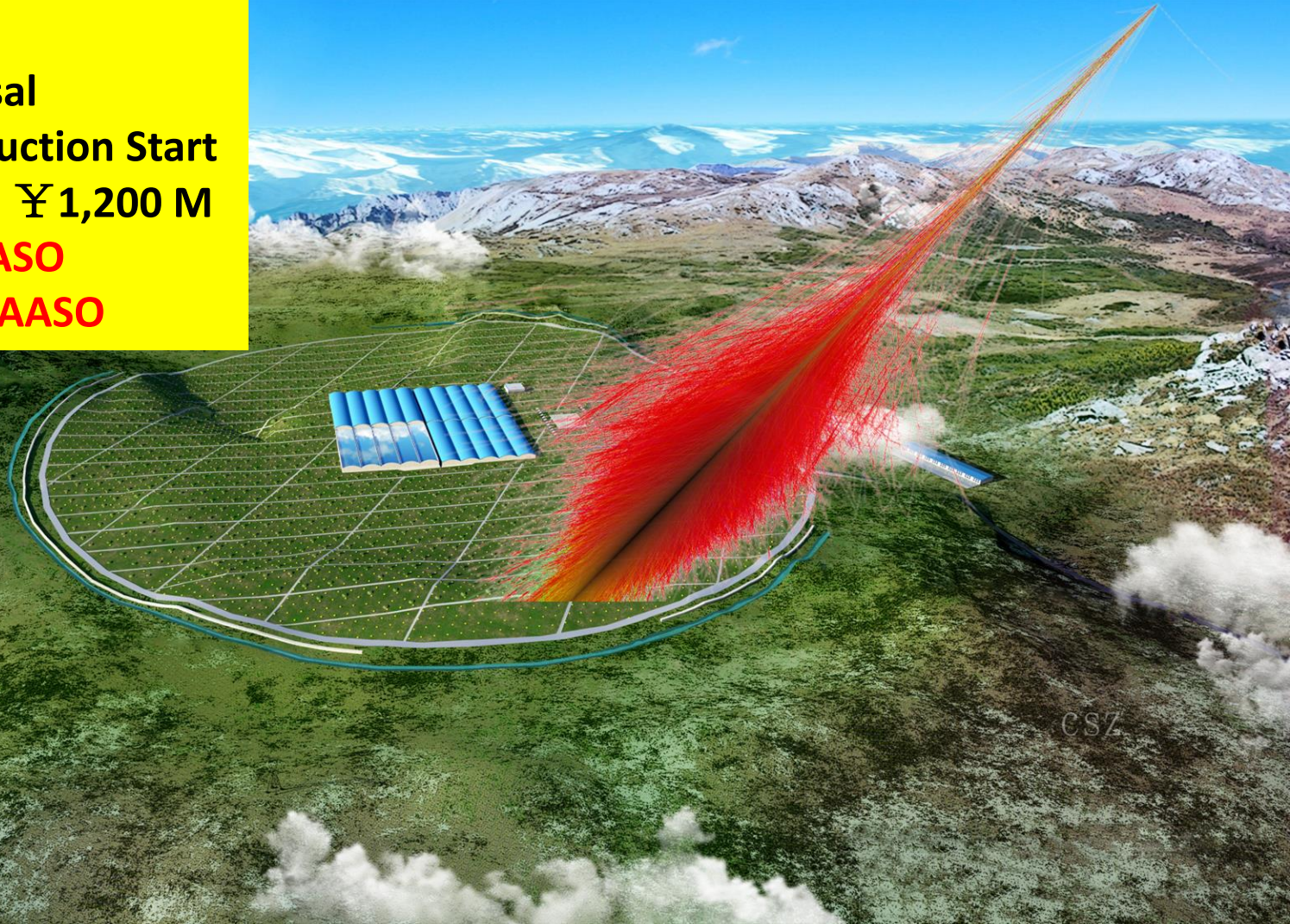
2015 Dec.: Proposal

2017 May: Construction Start

2017 Oct.: Budget ¥1,200 M

2019 Feb.: ¼ LHAASO

2021 : Full LHAASO



- **Mt. Haizi (4410 m a.s.l., 29°21' 27.6" N, 100°08'19.6" E), Sichuan, China**

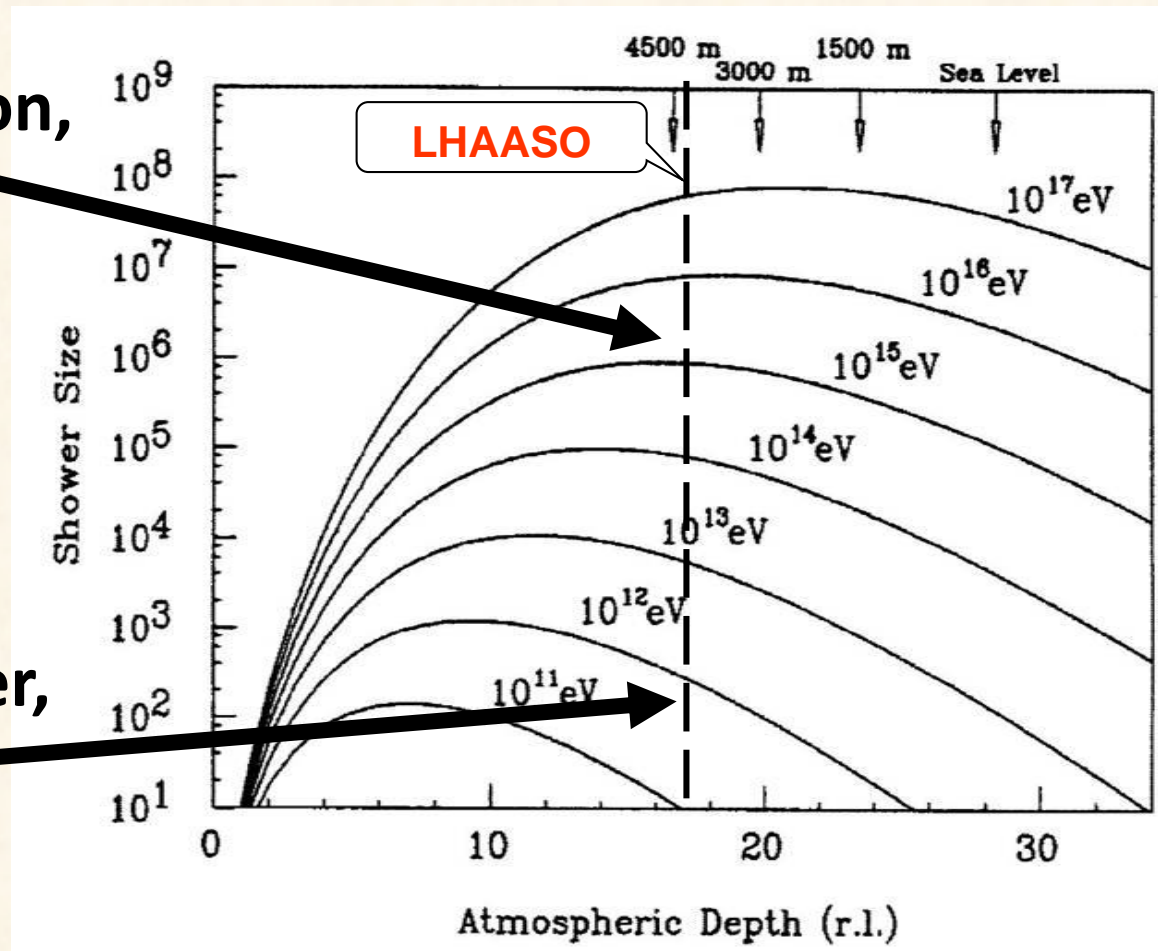
10km from Yading Airport

50km from Daocheng town (living quarters, 3750m a.s.l.)



Measurement of air showers at high altitude

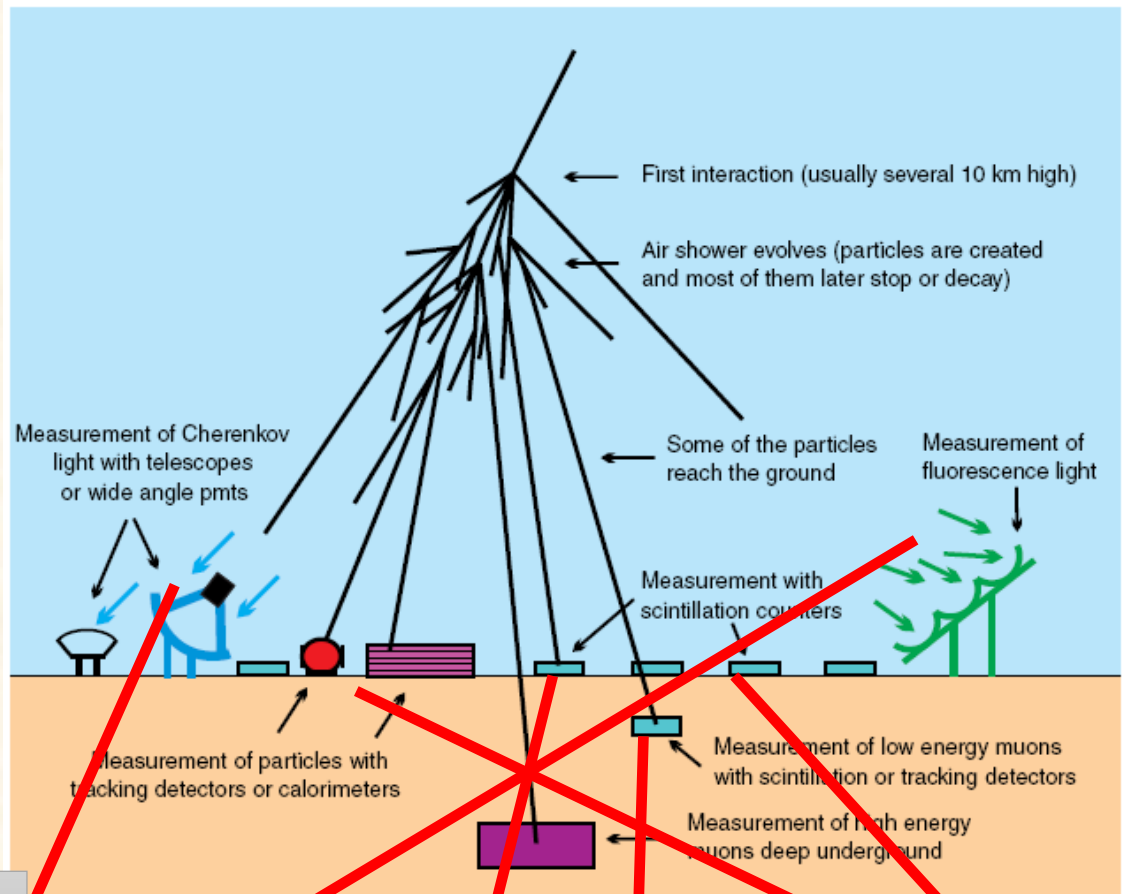
- HE: near Xmax
→ lower fluctuation,
better σ_E



- Lower E_{th} → deeper,
more sources

2. LHAASO detector design

Hybrid Detection of Extensive Air Showers by LHAASO



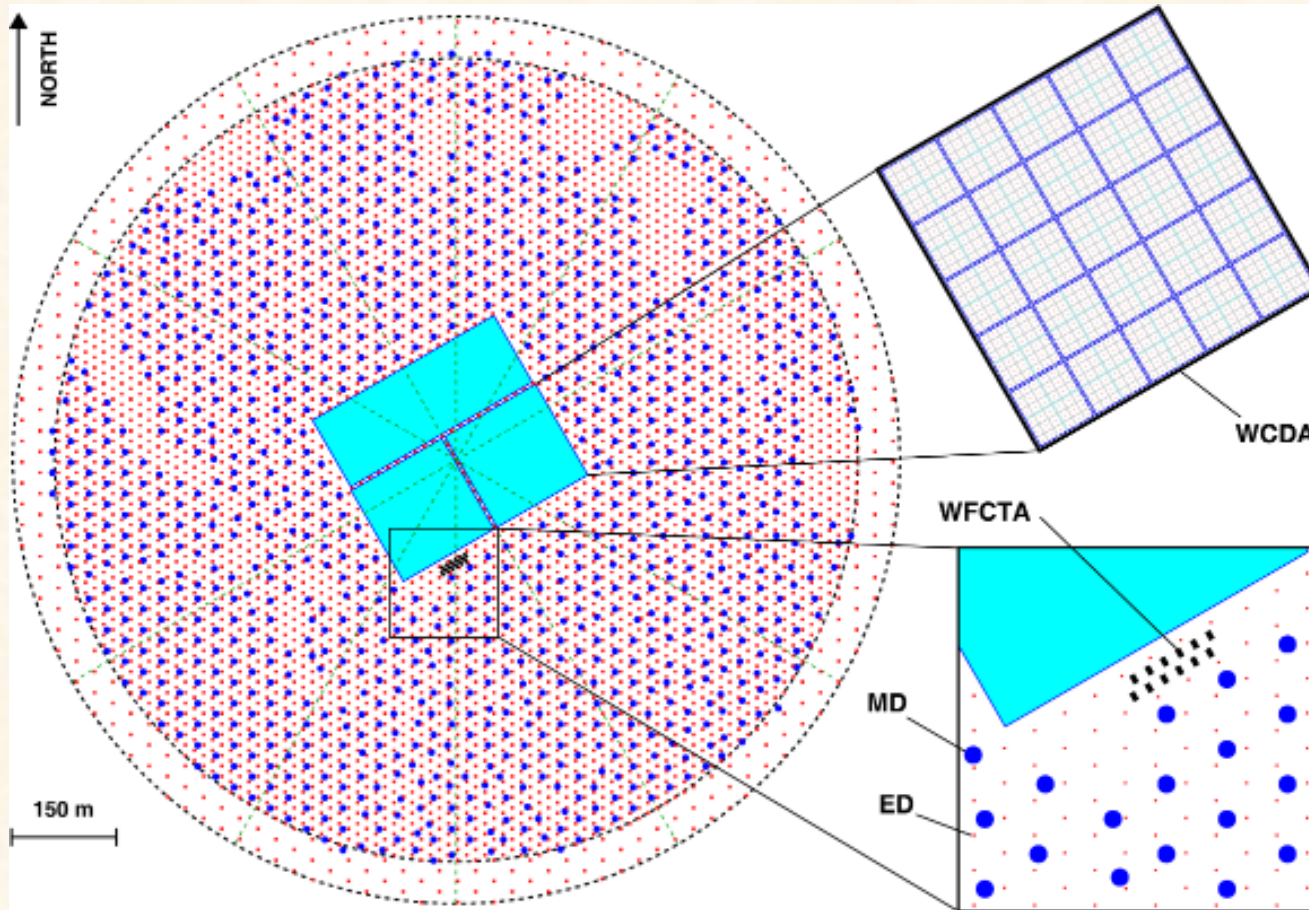
WFCTA:
12 telescopes
1024 pixels each

KM2A:
5195 EDs
1171 MDs

WCDA:
3120 cells

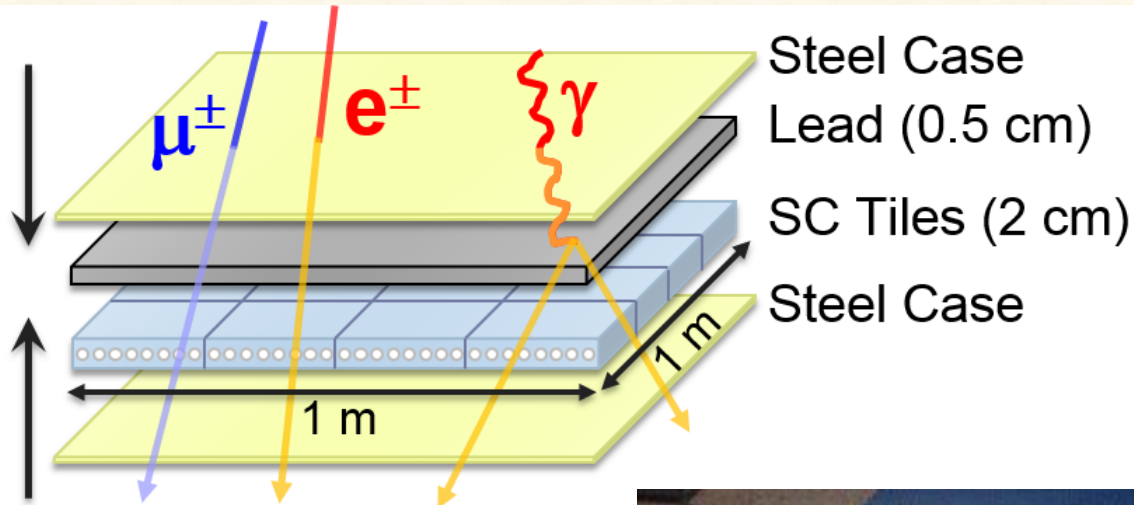


LHAASO layout

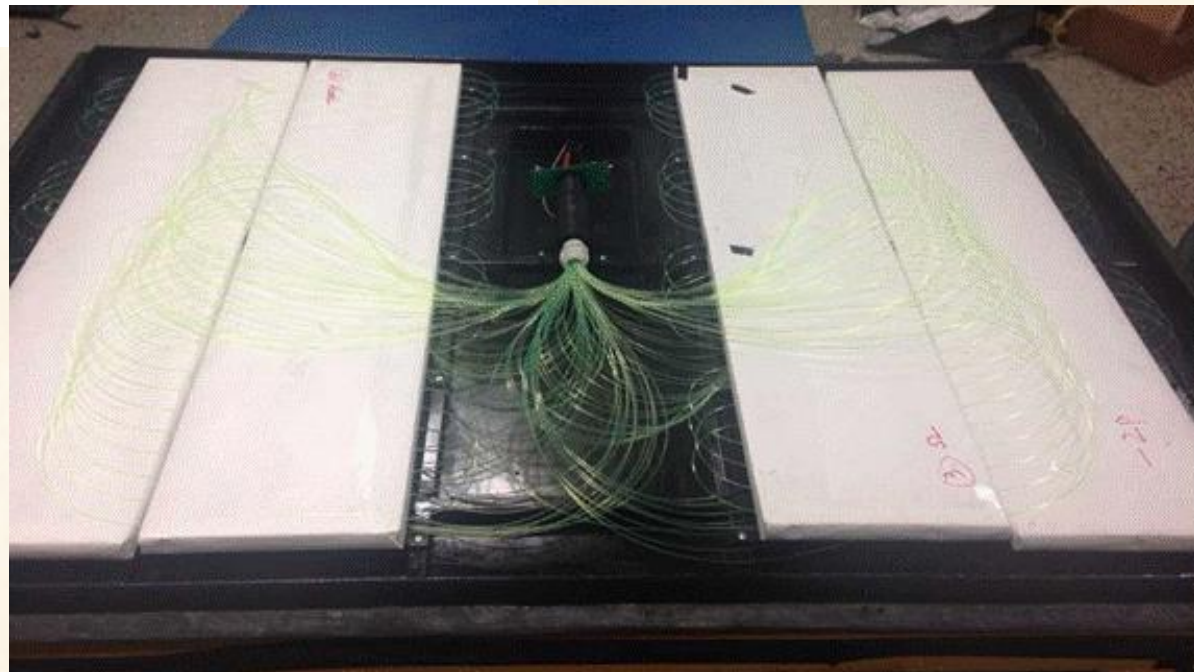
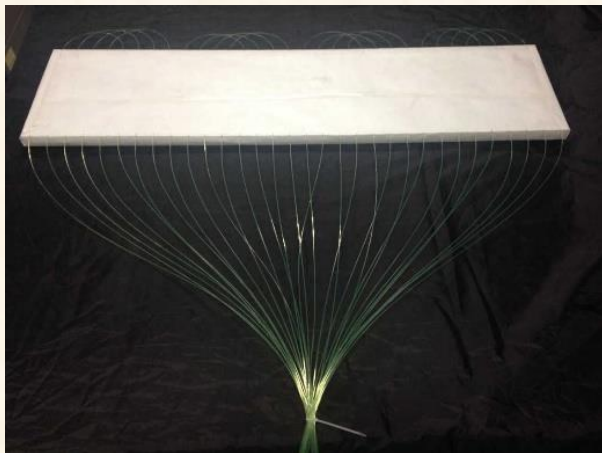


- **5195 EDs**
 - 1 m² each
 - 15 m spacing
- **1171 MDs**
 - 36 m² each
 - 30 m spacing
- **3120 WCDs**
 - 25 m² each
- **12 WFCTs**

ED: Electromagnetic particle Detector

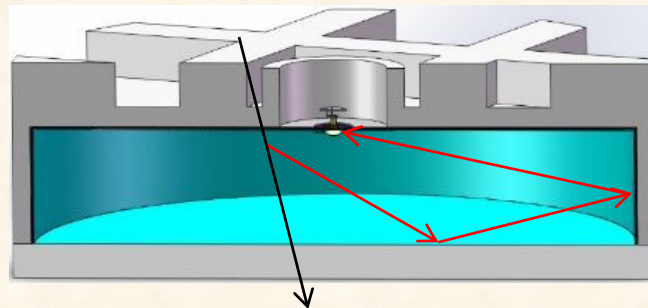
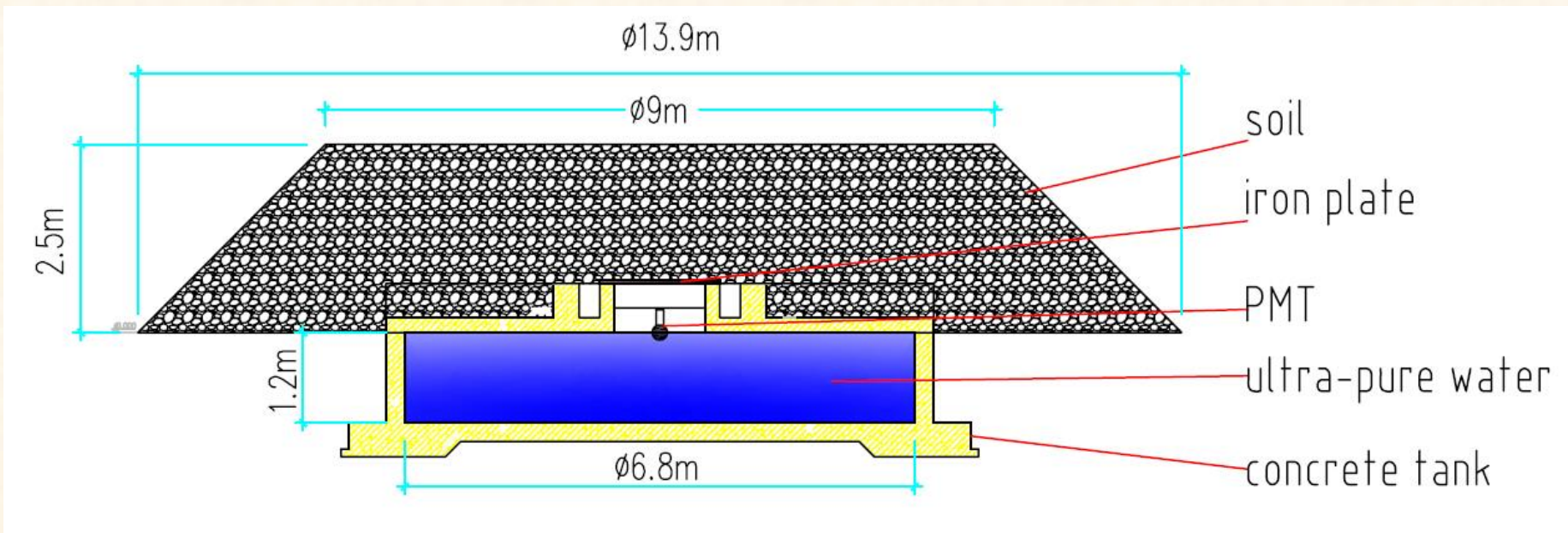


- **Uniformity for 5195 units: < 10%**
- **Stability within $\pm 25^\circ\text{C}$: $\pm 5\%$**



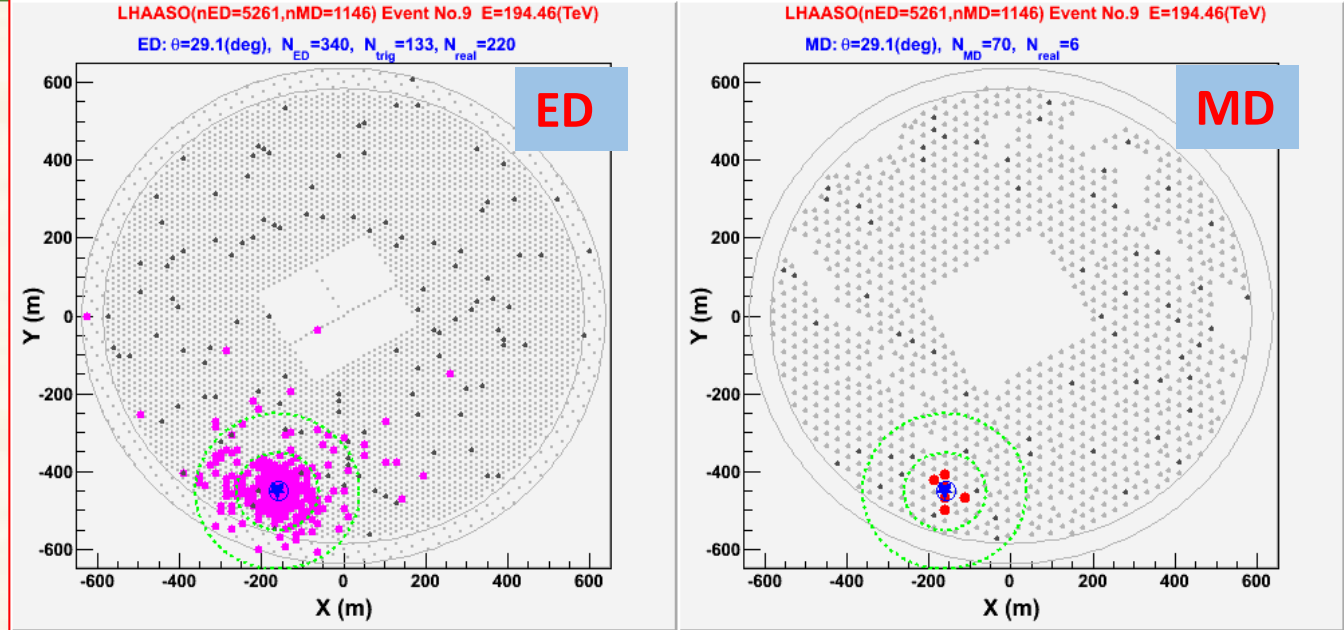
MD: Muon Detector

- Water Cherenkov detector underneath soil



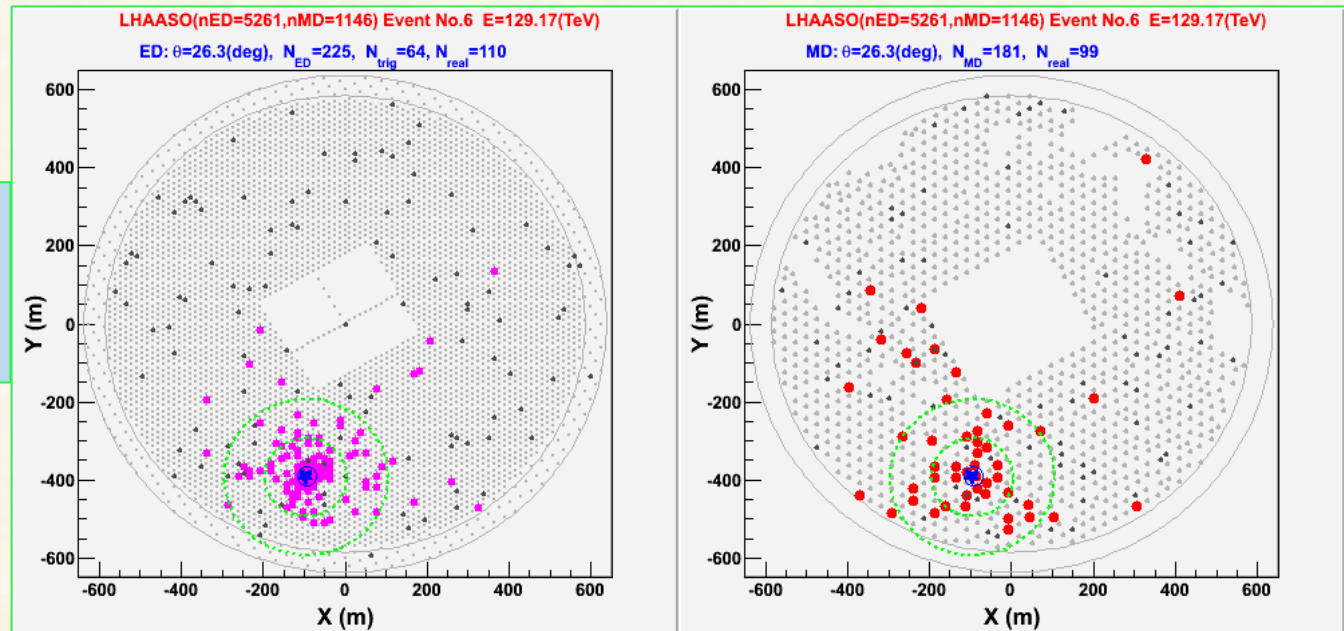
Gamma-ray
E=194 TeV

Geant4 based

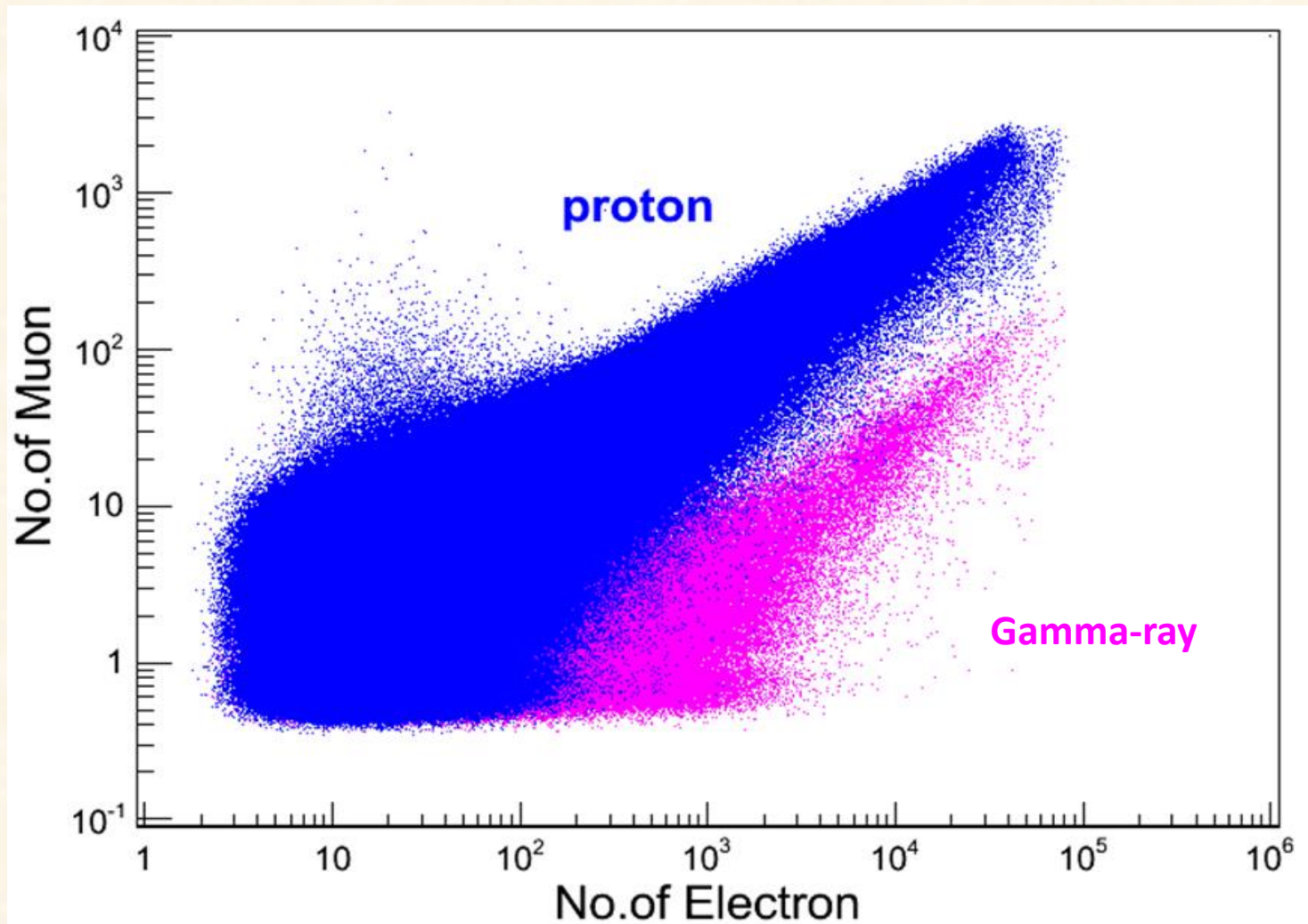


γ/P discrimination

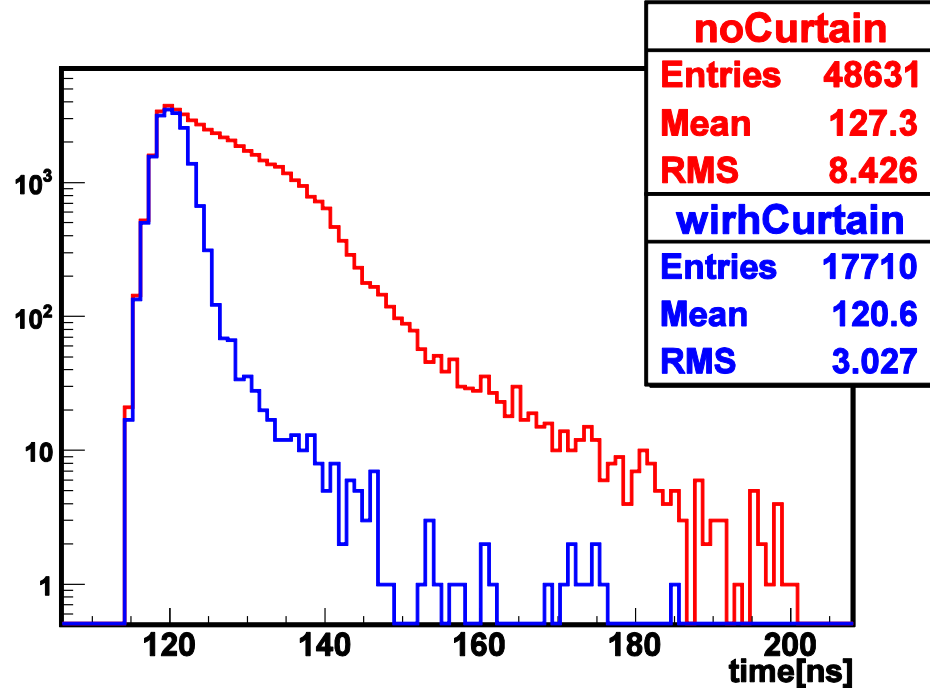
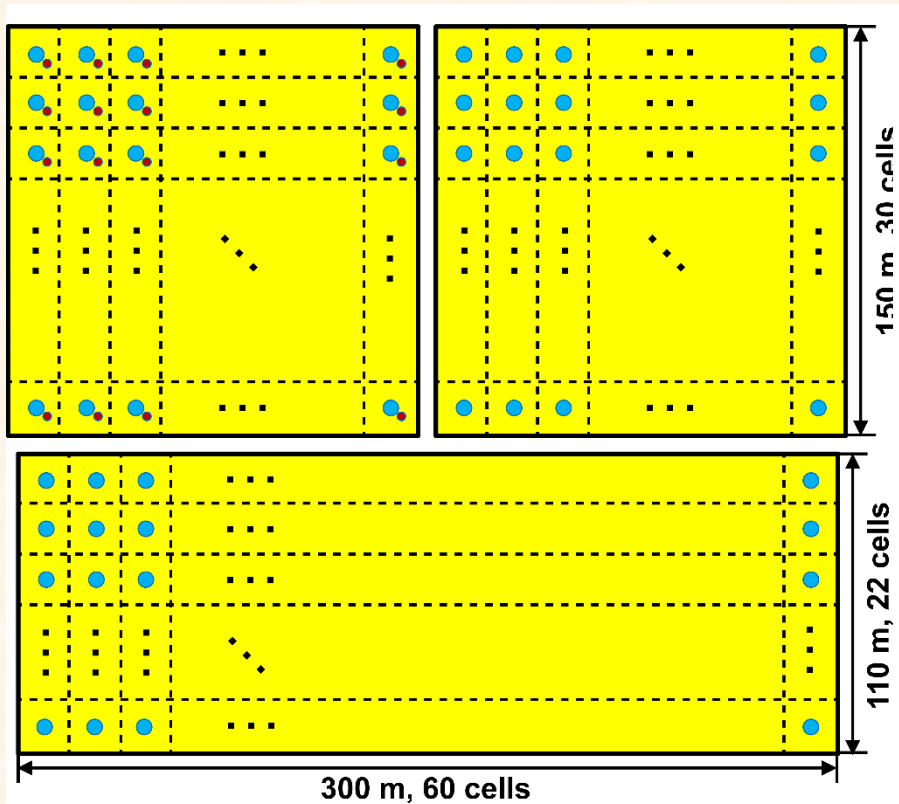
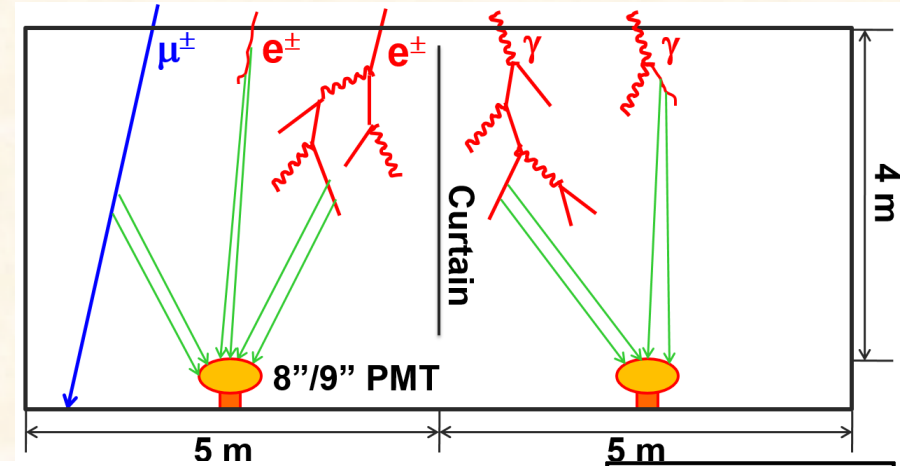
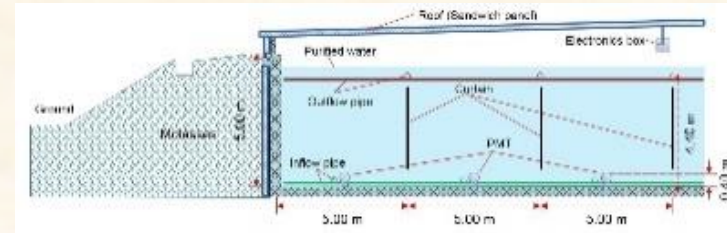
Proton
E=129 TeV



γ/P discrimination

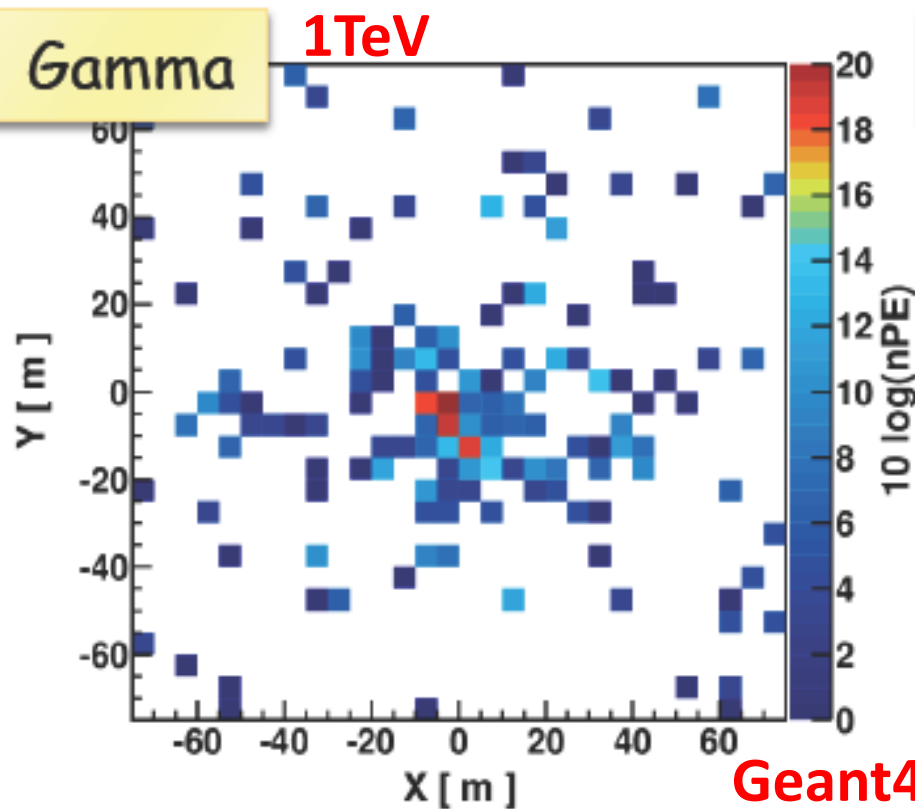


WCDA: Water Cherenkov Detector Array

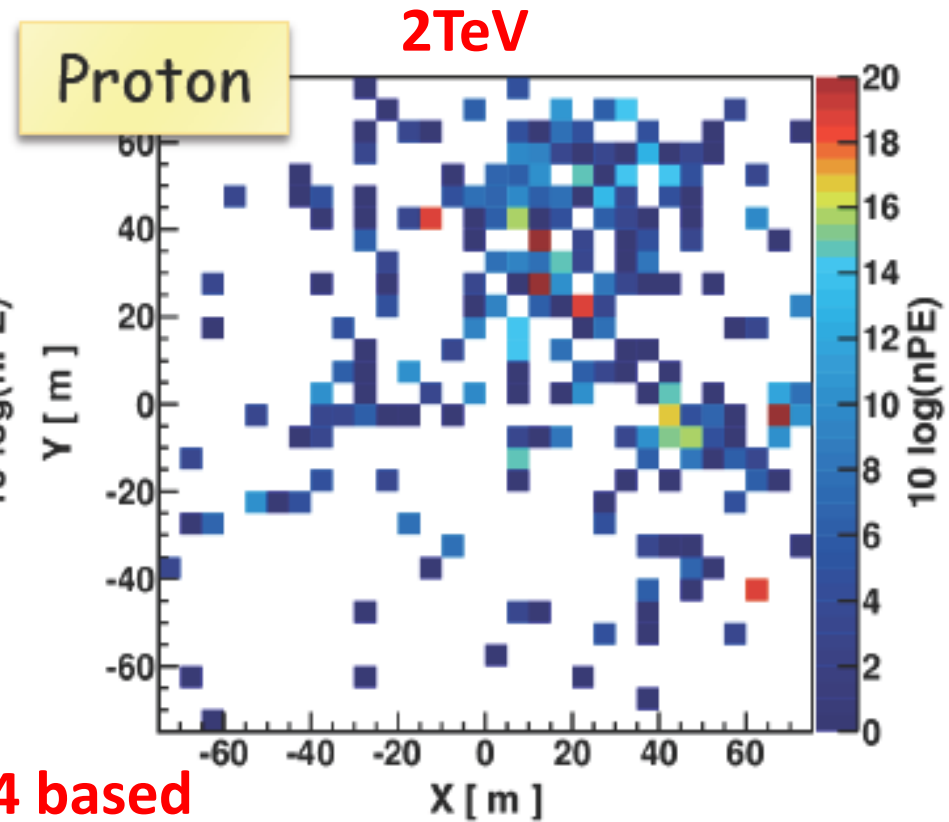


γ /P discrimination

WCDA 150×150 m² | Gamma, E = 1 TeV | nPMT = 142

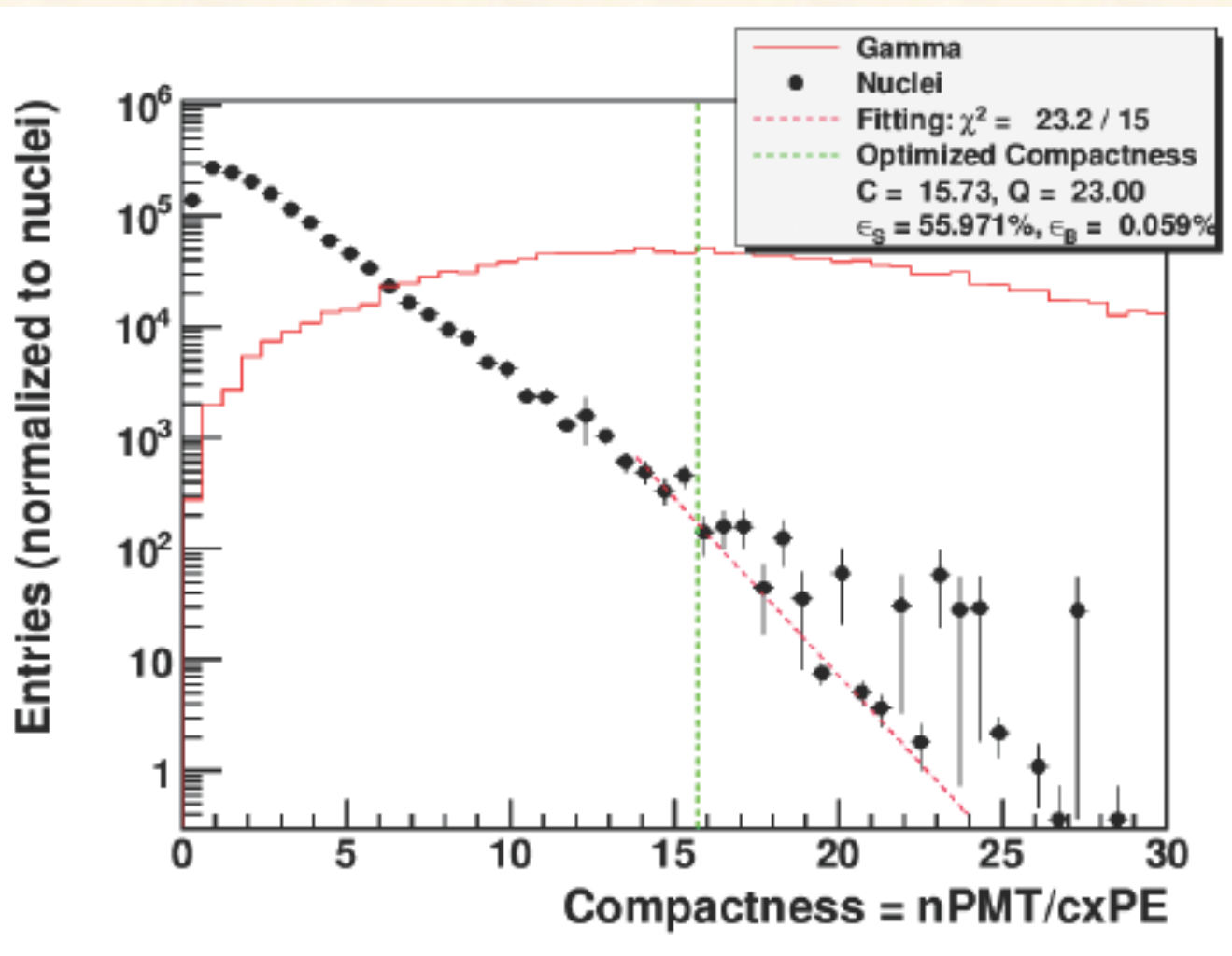


WCDA 150×150 m² | Proton, E = 2 TeV | nPMT = 212



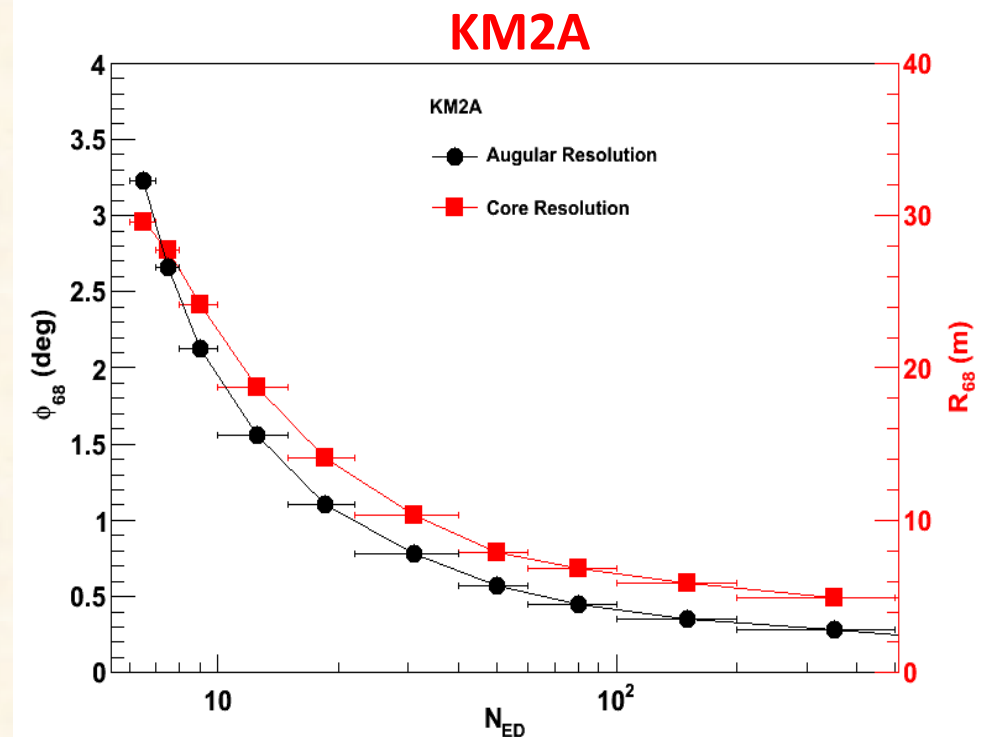
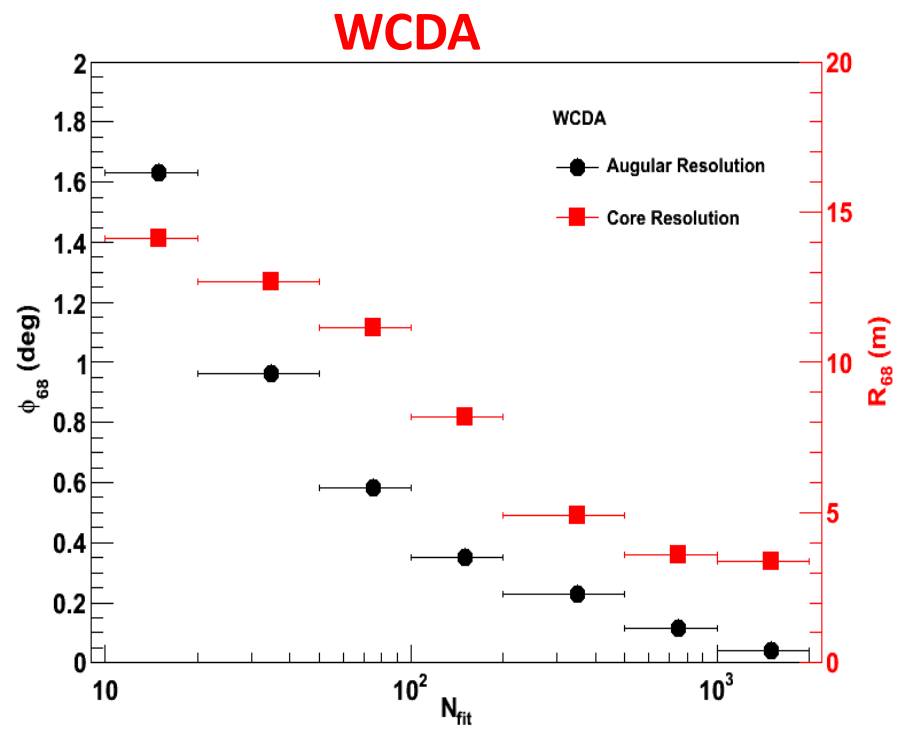
Geant4 based

γ /P discrimination



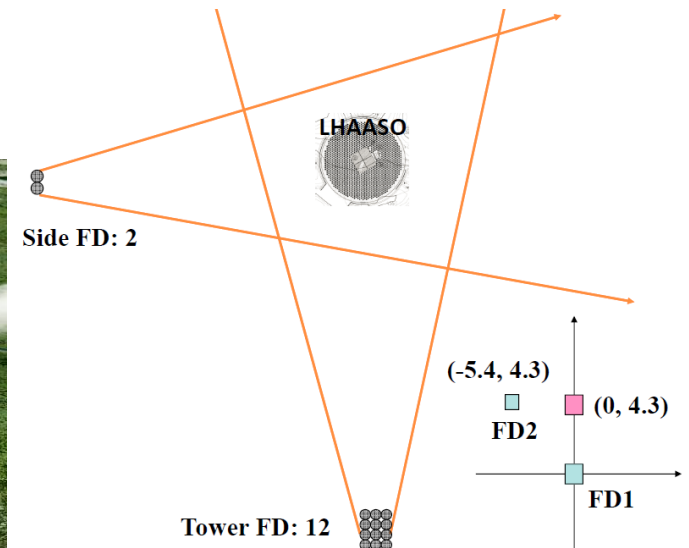
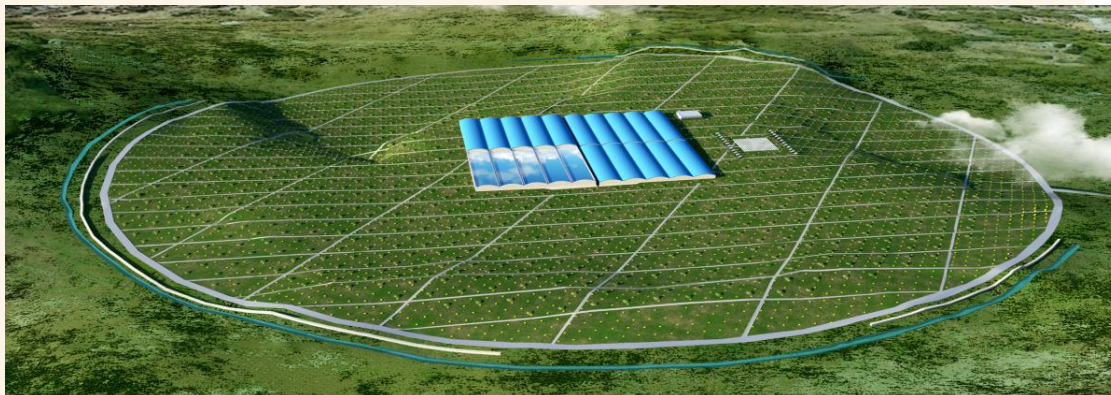
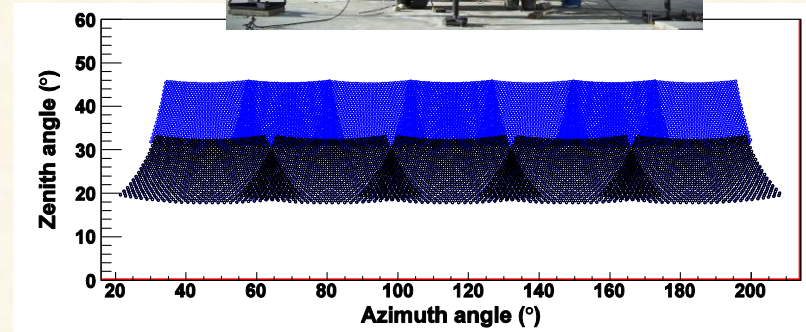
Angular and core resolution

- **WCDA:** 0.6 deg, 11m (68% containing) @1 TeV
- **KM2A:** 0.5 deg, 6m @100 TeV



WFCTA: Wide FOV Cherenkov Telescope Array

- 32×32 pixels, 0.5° each
- 4.7 m^2 collection area
- Energy coverage by different configurations
 - $< 10^{16} \text{ eV}$
 - $10^{16} - 10^{17} \text{ eV}$
 - $10^{17} - 10^{18} \text{ eV}$



LHAASO detector timing

Over 7,000 detector units
Spread around 1km² area



0.5° Angular resolution for shower
reconstruct from *timing* of hits TOF

Synchronous timing
among detectors

1000m coax cable in 30°C change, Δ delay = 15ns!

Time-stamp Synchronization

Time stamps of **>7,000** nodes to be aligned **<500ps** (rms).

Frequency distribution & phase locking

Distribute **synchronous** ADC clock with **<100ps** skew.

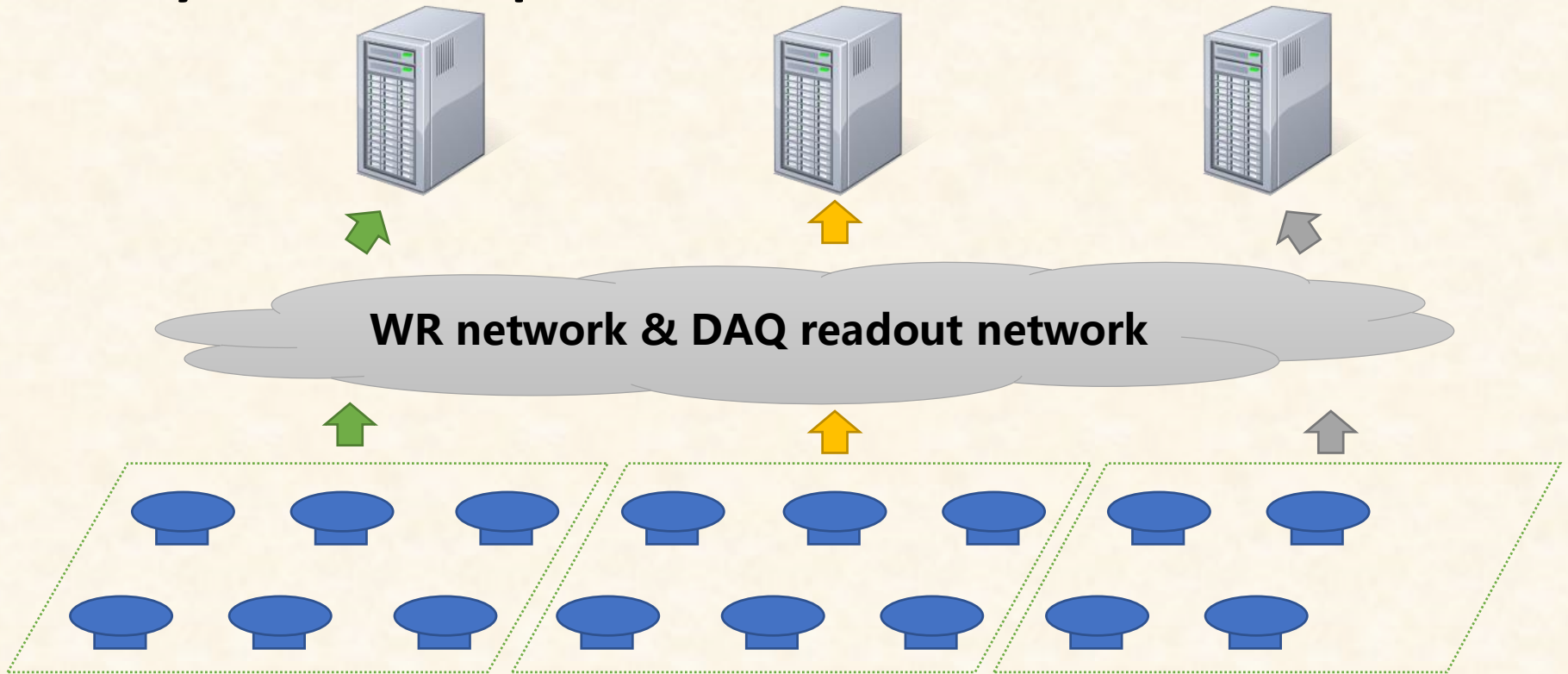
Traceability & Real-time calibration

Timing delay compensation due to environmental perturbation in hardware
in **real time**.

“Triggerless” DAQ

---hybrid measurement of showers

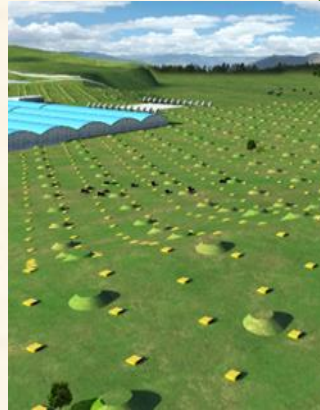
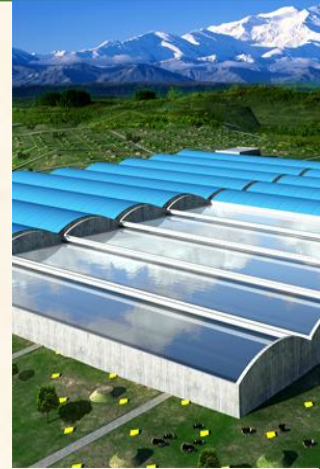
- Triggering, building, (re-construction) and storage by online computers



3. LHAASO science prospects

Main goals of LHAASO

- TeV gamma-ray survey → **WCDA** (100 GeV-30 TeV)
 - AGN, GRB, survey new source, ...
- >20 TeV gamma-ray survey → **KM2A** (10TeV-1PeV)
 - SNR, PWN, Superbubble, diffuse around 100TeV, ...
- Individual nuclei spectra → **WFCTA** (10TeV to EeV)
 - Different configures
 - Combined with WCDA, WCDA++, KM2A
- Benefit regions:
 - **Anisotropy, Solar physics, dark matter, EBL, IGMF, Lorentz invariance, hadronic interaction, ...**



Gamma ray astronomy

- **IACs detect most of the VHE sources with:**
 - Angular resolution: ~ 0.1 degree.
 - Sensitivity: $\sim 1\%$ crab unit
 - FOV: $3\sim 5$ degree
- **Wide FOV EAS array is essential for:**
 - **Transient source:** AGN flare, GRB
 - **Extended source:** GP diffuse, Fermi bubble, superbubble, PWN, SNR ...
 - **Sky survey**
 - **High energy:** up to ~ 100 TeV

IACs: HESS, VERITAS, MAGIC \rightarrow CTA

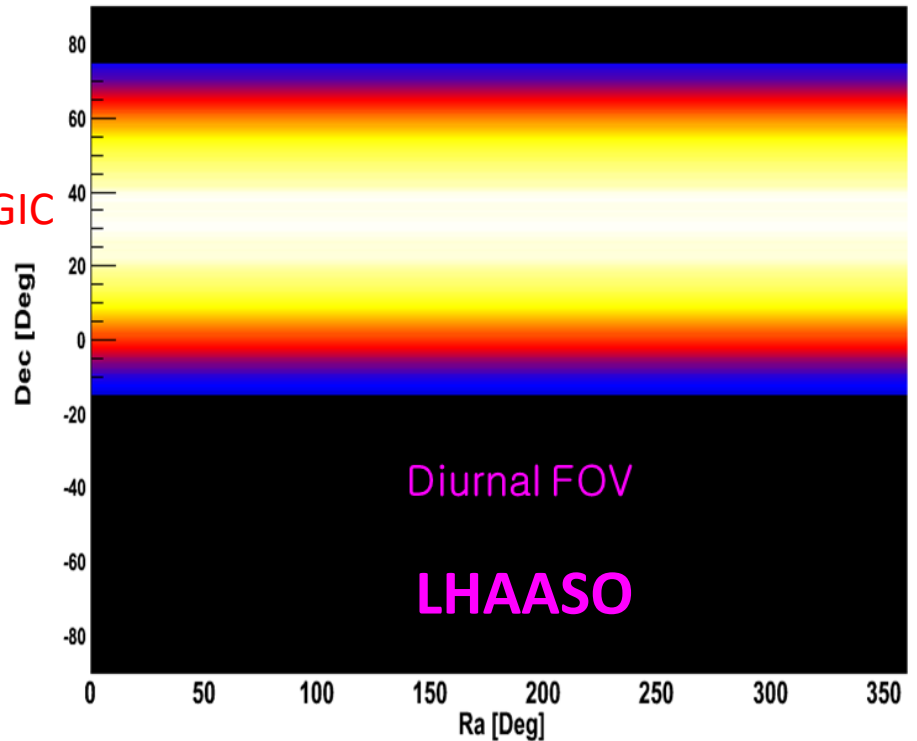
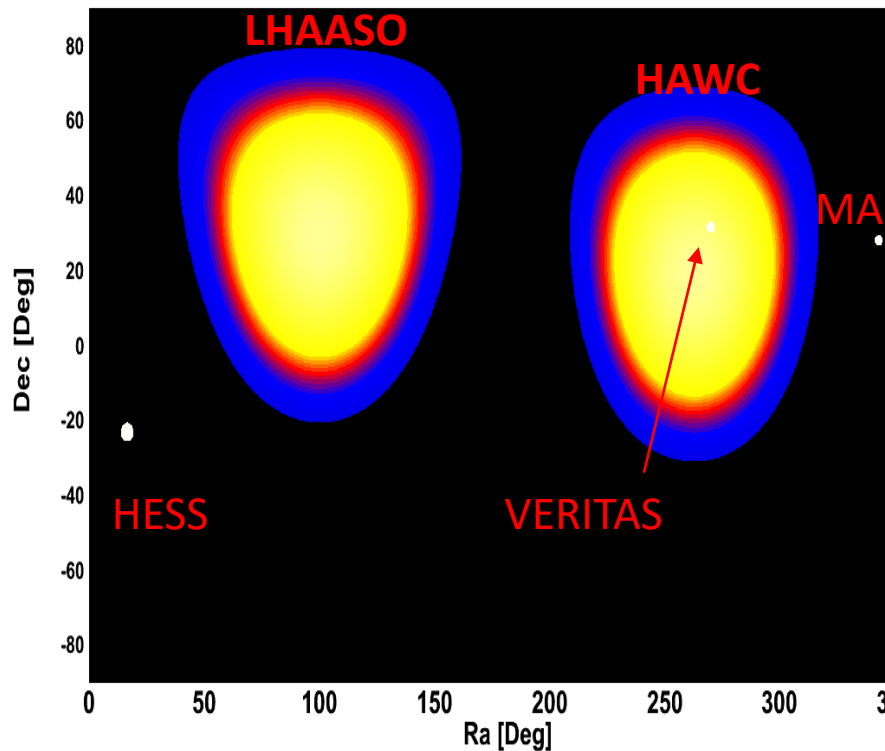


EAS arrays: ASr, Milago, ARGO-YBJ, HAWC \rightarrow LHAASO



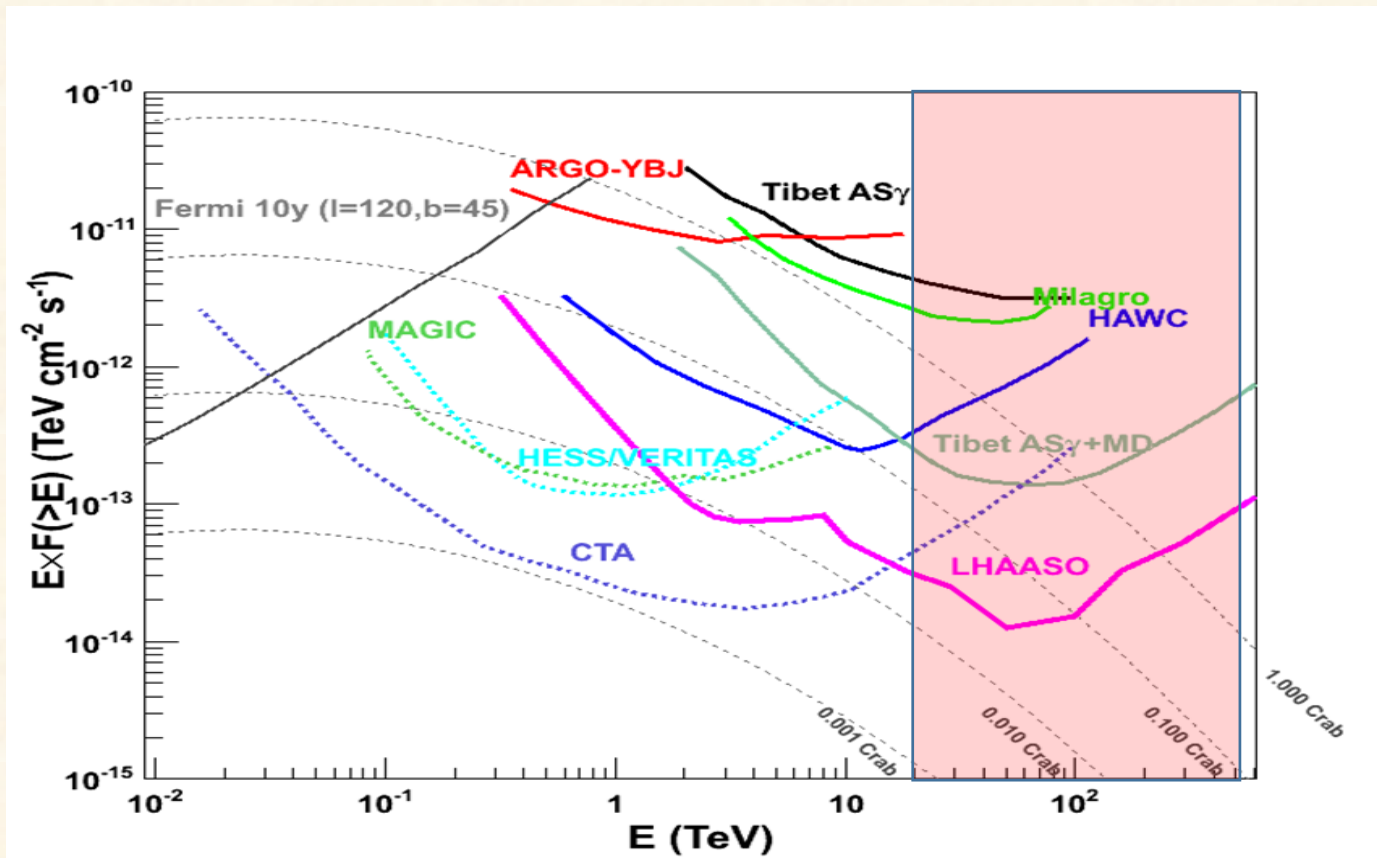
LHAASO:FOV

- 1/7 of the sky at each moment
- 60% of the sky every day



LHAASO: Sensitivity

- 1% Crab unit at 2 TeV
- Unprecedented sensitivity at energy above 20TeV.

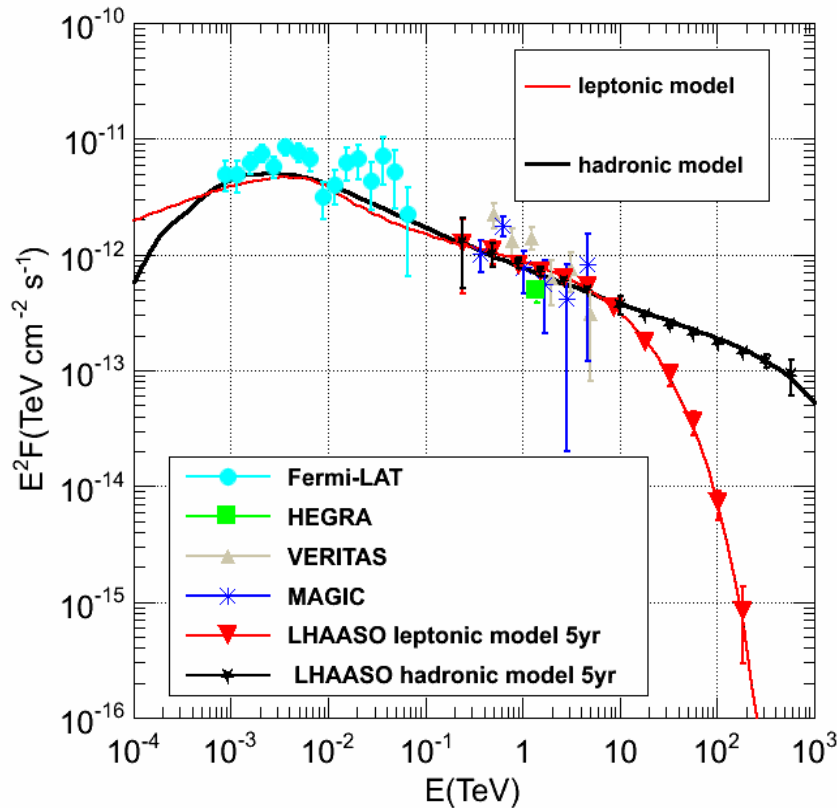


LHAASO: 100TeV

100 TeV gamma-ray is crucial to identify Cosmic ray source
PeVatron

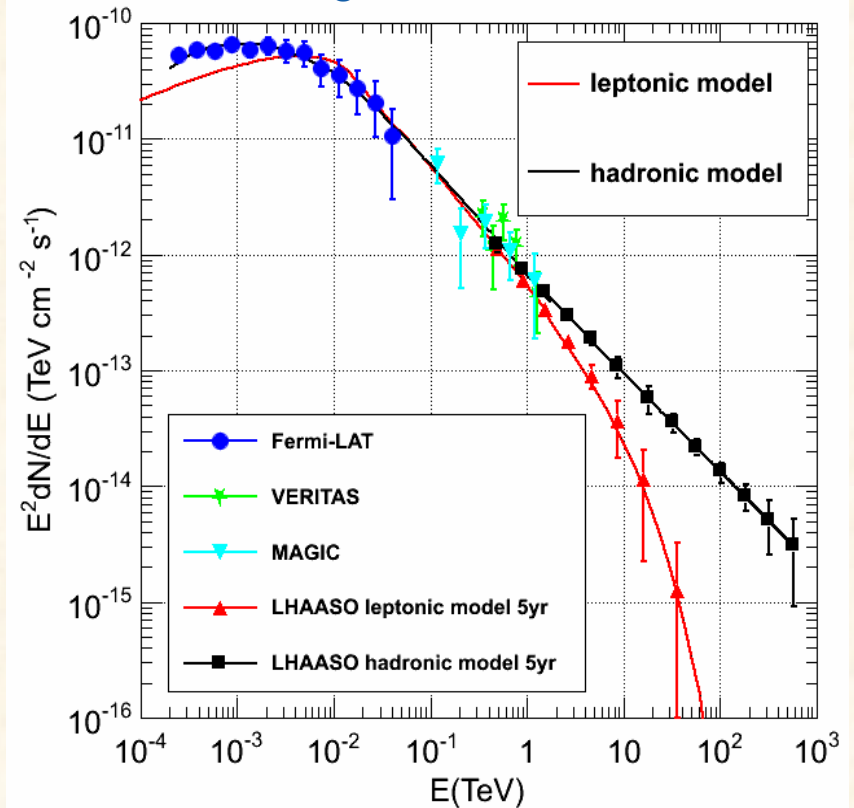
Cassiopeia A

Historical SNRs



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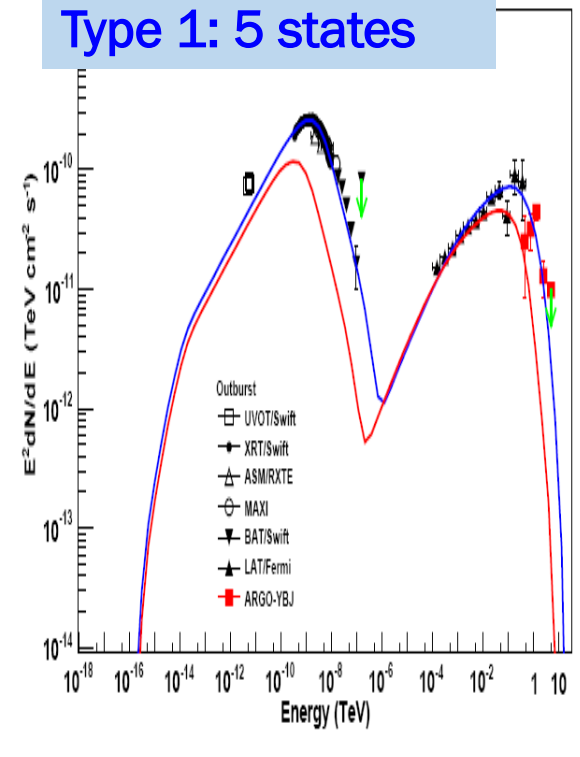
interacting with molecular clouds



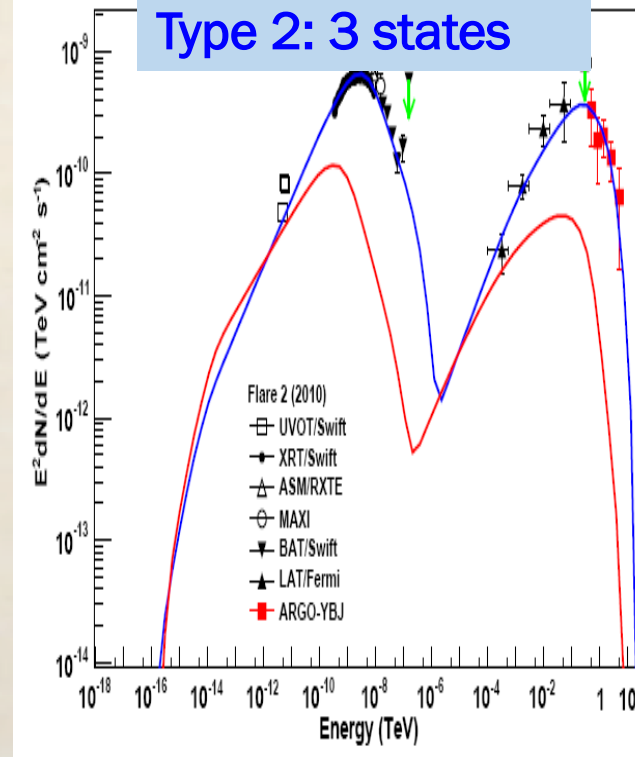
LHAASO: long-term continue observation

Long-term MWL monitor is essential to systematic study the flares of AGNs

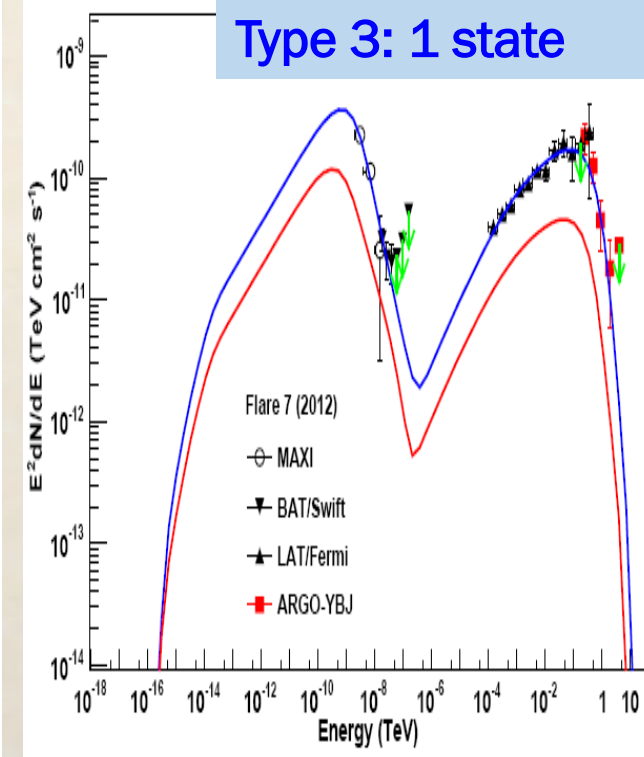
Type 1: 5 states



Type 2: 3 states



Type 3: 1 state



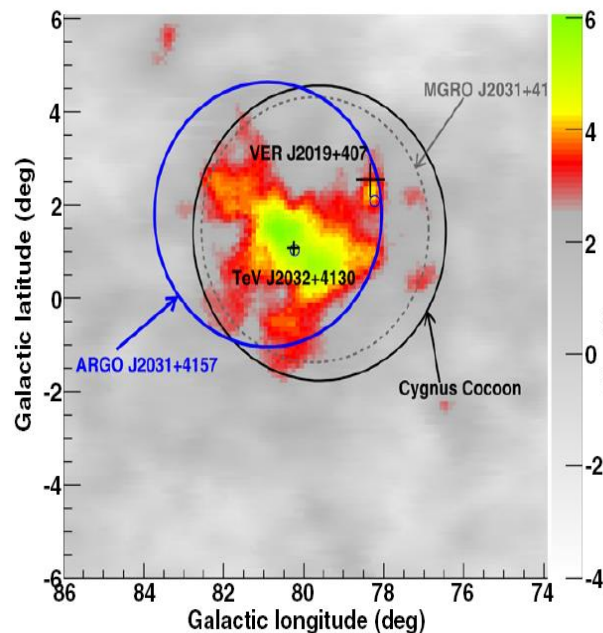
LHAASO: wide FOV

Wide FOV is essential for Extended source & Sky survey

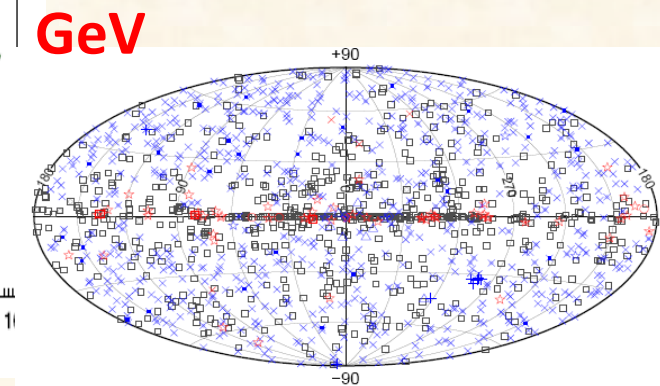
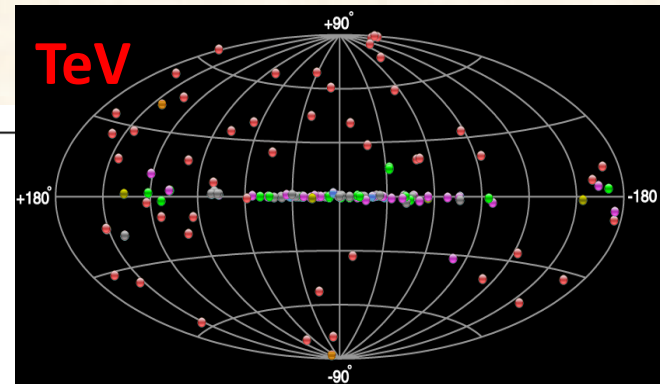
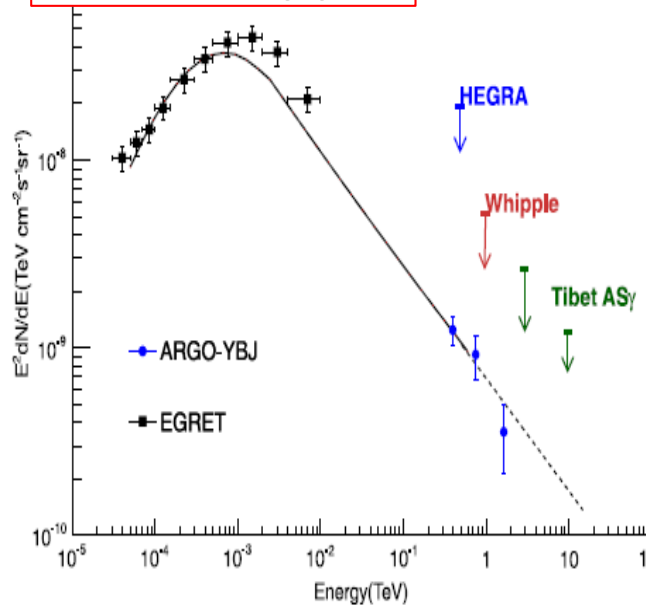
Sky survey

Superbubble,
Geminga, Monogem

Galactic Plane diffuse



$$25^\circ < l < 100^\circ, |b| < 5^\circ$$



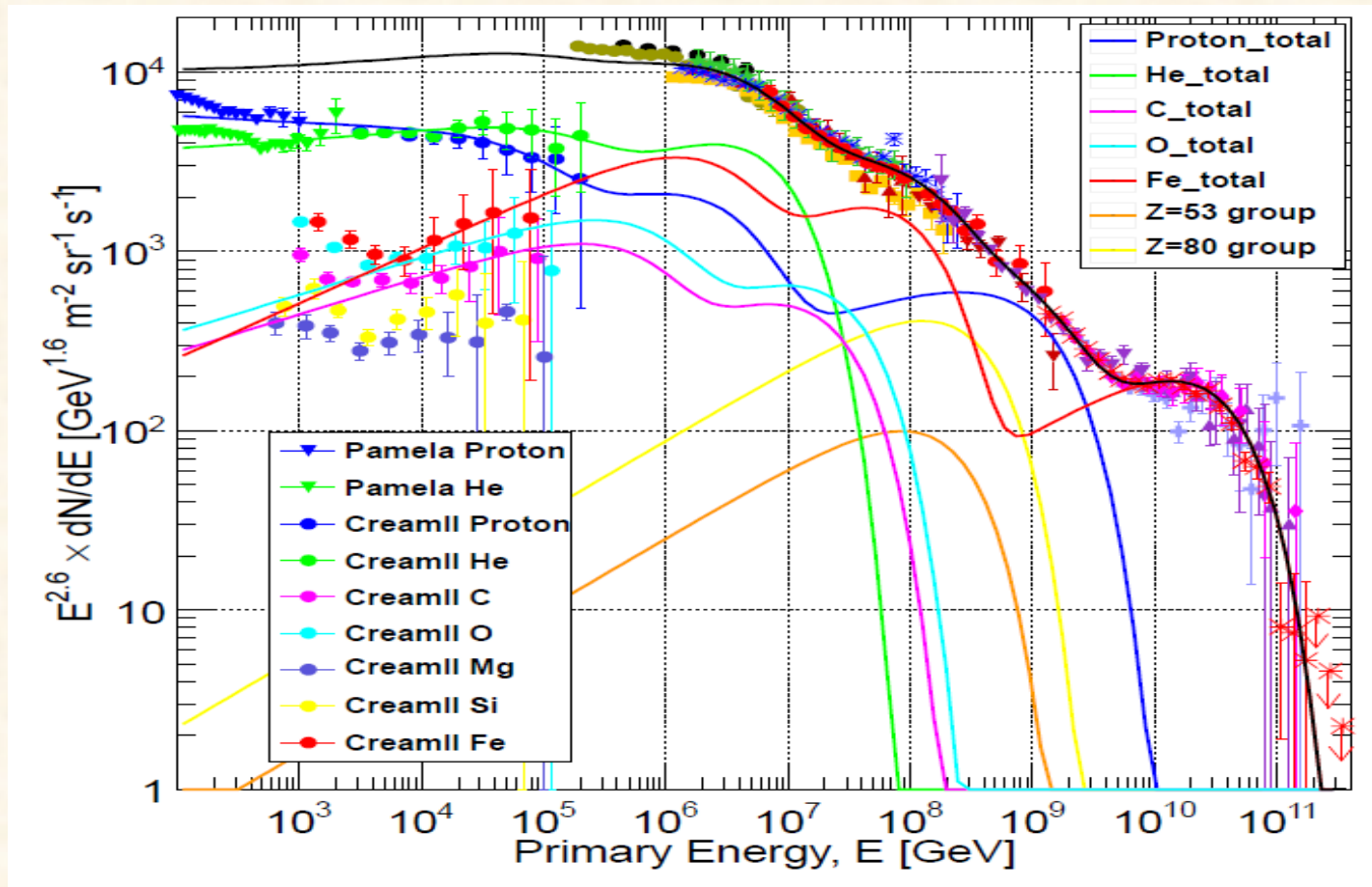
- No association □ Possible association with nearby SNR or PWN
- × AGN - blazar + Starburst Gal ☆ Pulsar ☆ Pulsar w/PWN
- × AGN - unknown + Galaxy ◇ PWN △ Globular cluster
- ★ AGN - non blazar ○ SNR □ XRB or MQO

ARGO-YBJ coll., ApJ, 790:152, (2014)

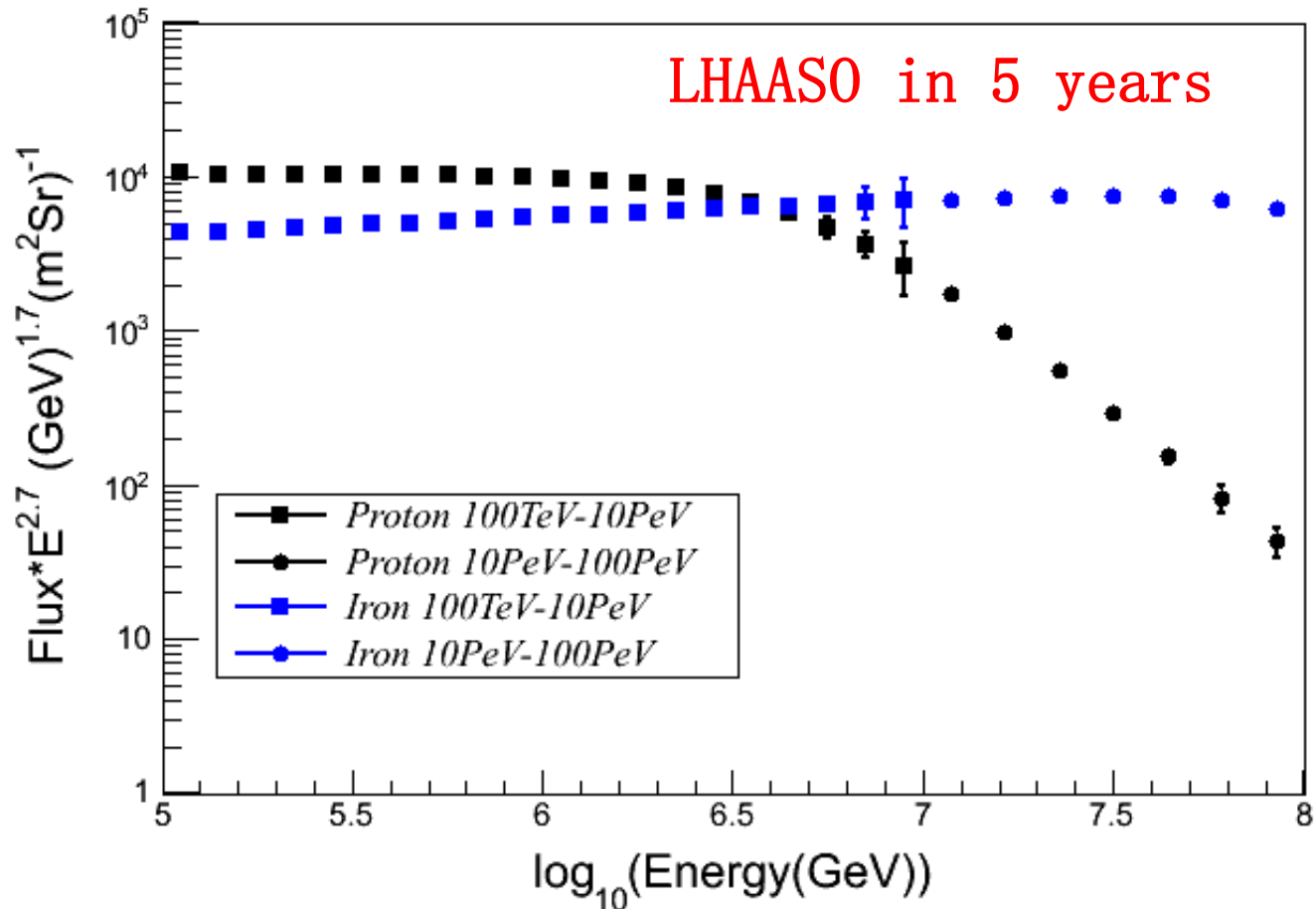
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LHAASO: cosmic ray physics

- Knee physics: what? where? why?

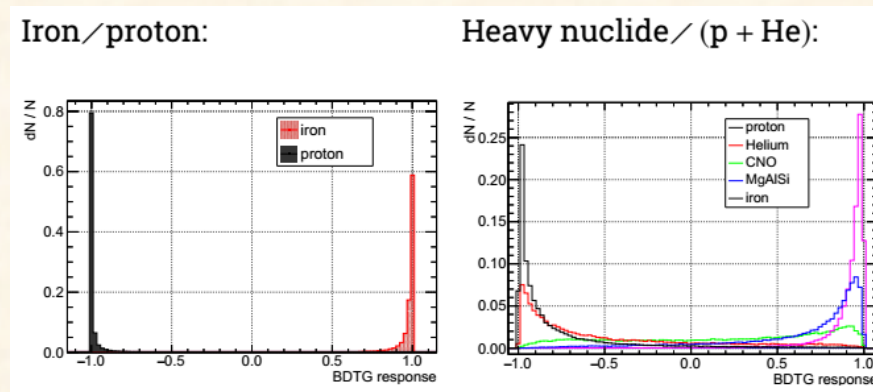


The Knees of GCR spectra:



IPN-Orsay in LHAASO collaboration

- One researcher: **Pr. Tiina Suomijärvi**
- A **PhD. Student Z. Zong** worked for LHAASO (2014 to 2017):
- Zong's doctoral thesis defended in Oct. 2017 at IPNO
 - **Simulations of WFCTA**
 - **Multivariate analysis of the primary mass with LHAASO simulation**

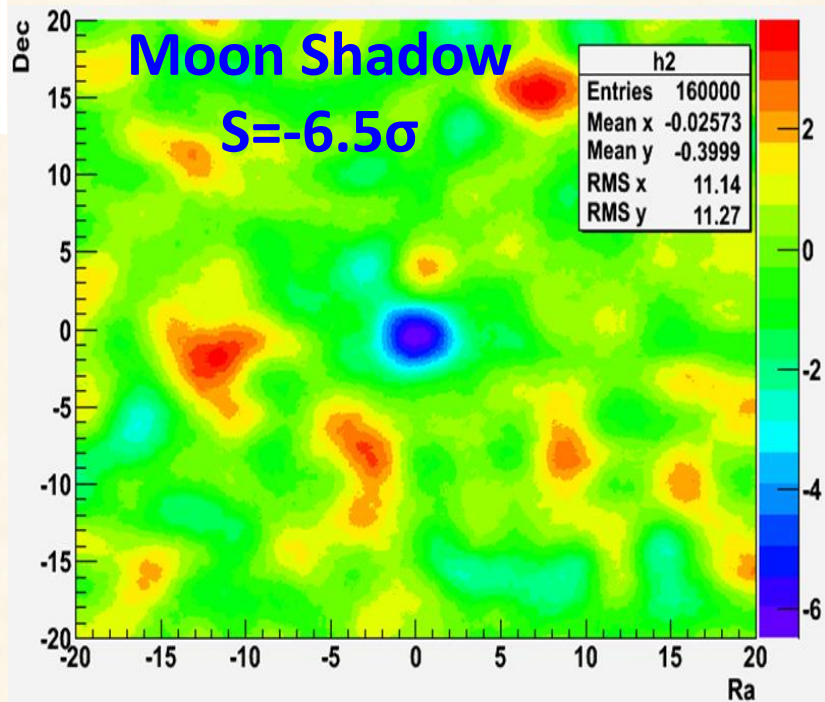
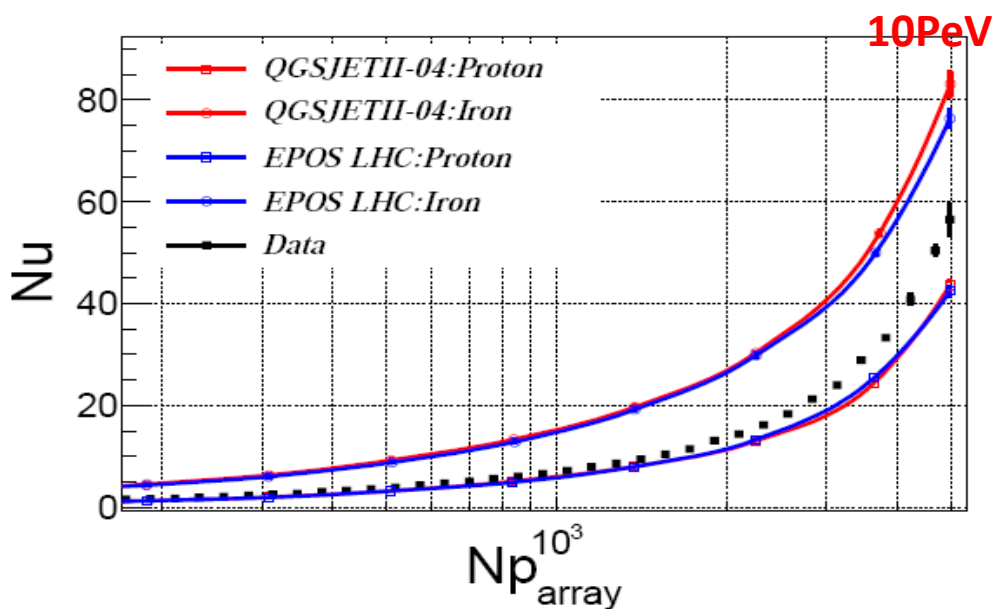
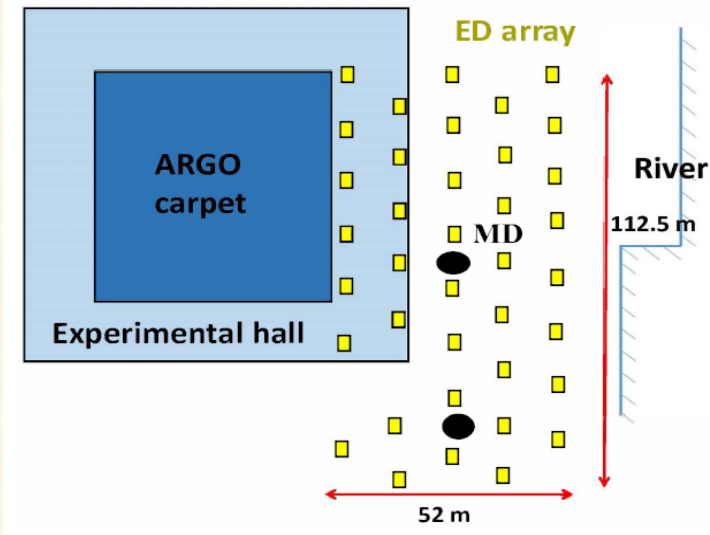
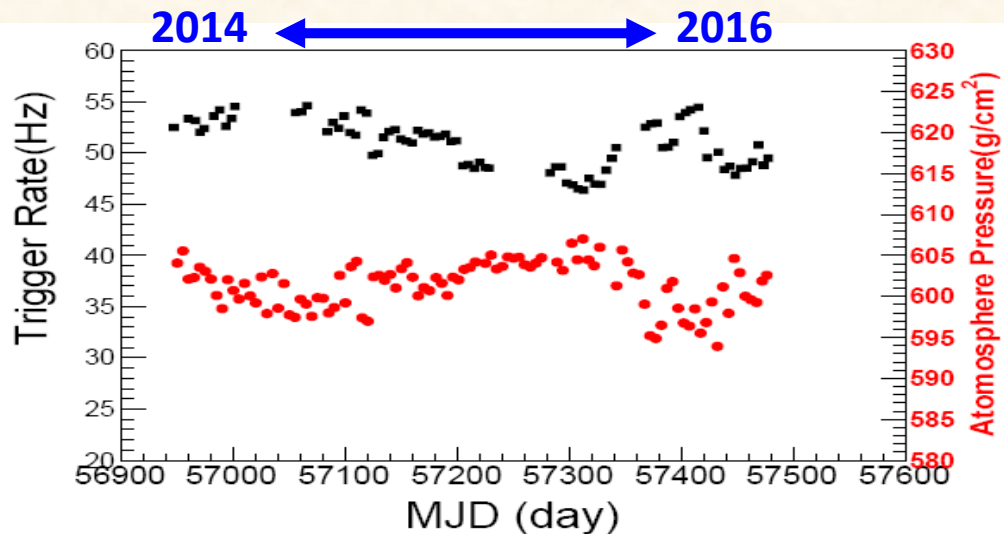


Good results for the Iron/Proton and Heavy nuclide/p + He separations.

- A proceeding for ICRC 2017:
 - Primary particle identification with MVA method for the LHAASO project, PoS (ICRC2017) 547, Z. Zong et al for the LHAASO collaboration

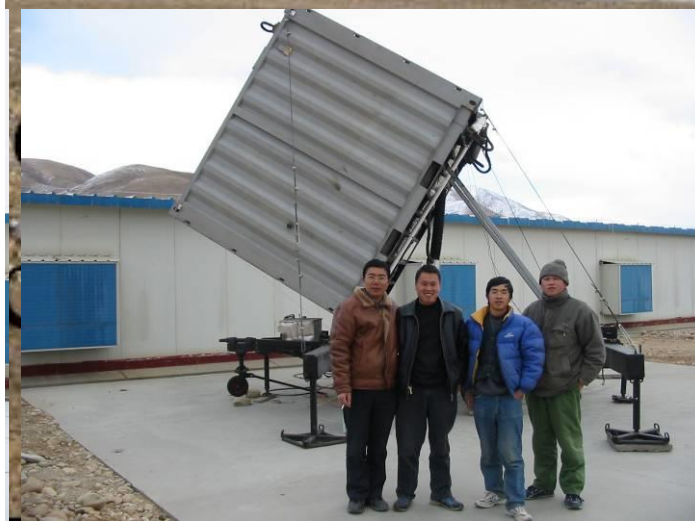
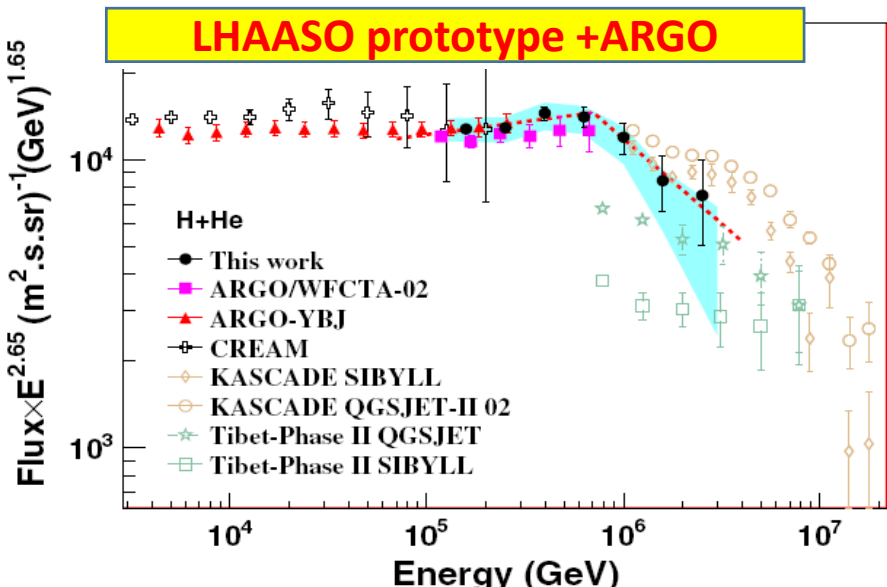
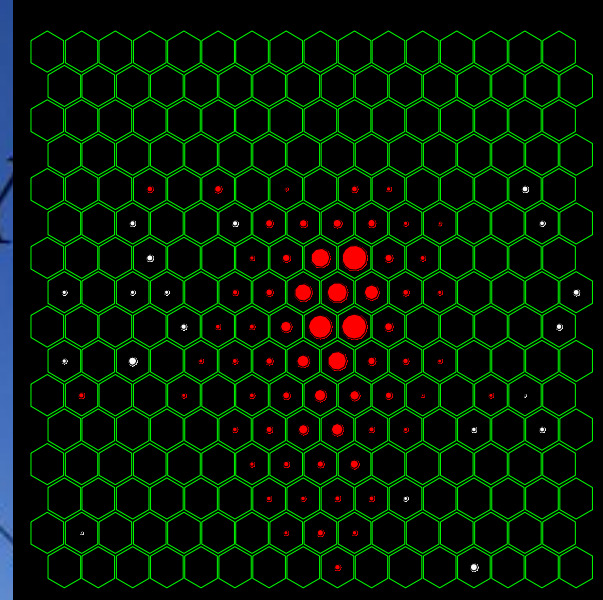
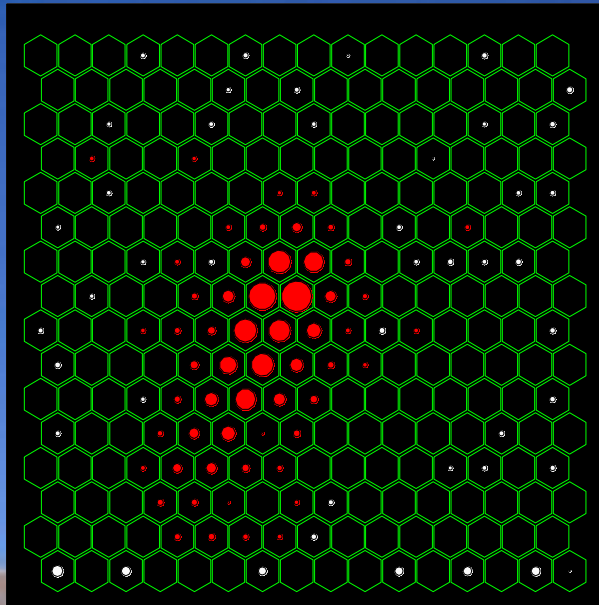
4. Prototyping

1% KM2A Prototype array



WFCTA prototype

CRTNT@Y



5. Site preparation & detector deployment

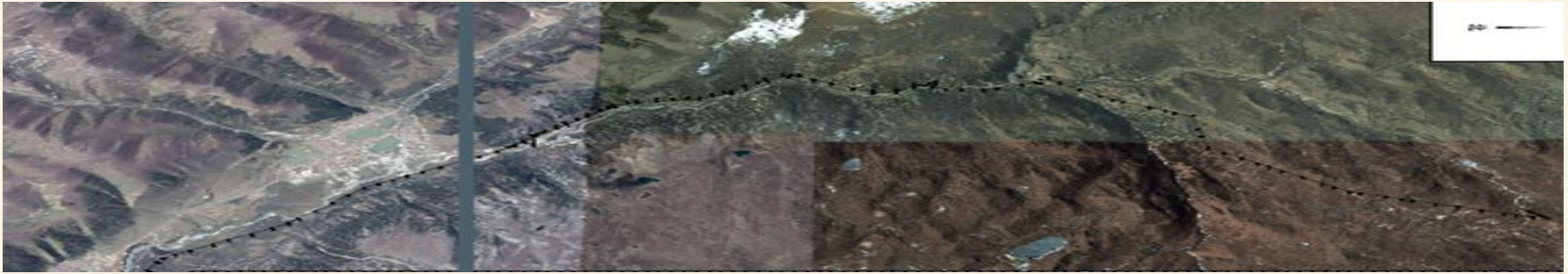
Living Base (3750 m a.s.l.)

Started in Aug. ,2016, completed in Oct., 2017



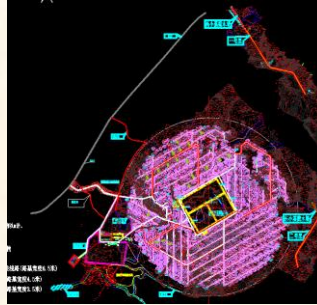
35KV Transmission Line

- 29 km Sangdui village → LHAASO site, 92 towers
- 3800 m → 4410 m a.s.l.



Site Preparation

- 2 canals
- Backbone: 5.9 km
- Branch: 15 km
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WCDA pool #1: 150m × 150m



2017-11

WCDA pool #1: 150m × 150m

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WCDA pool #1: 150m × 150m

2018-01

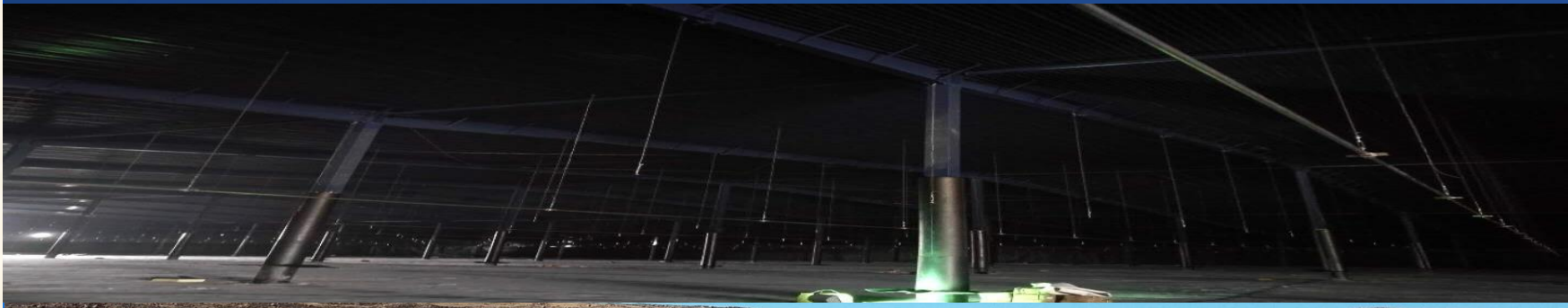
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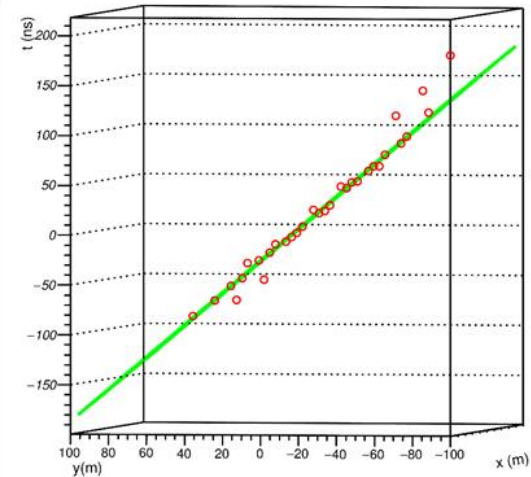
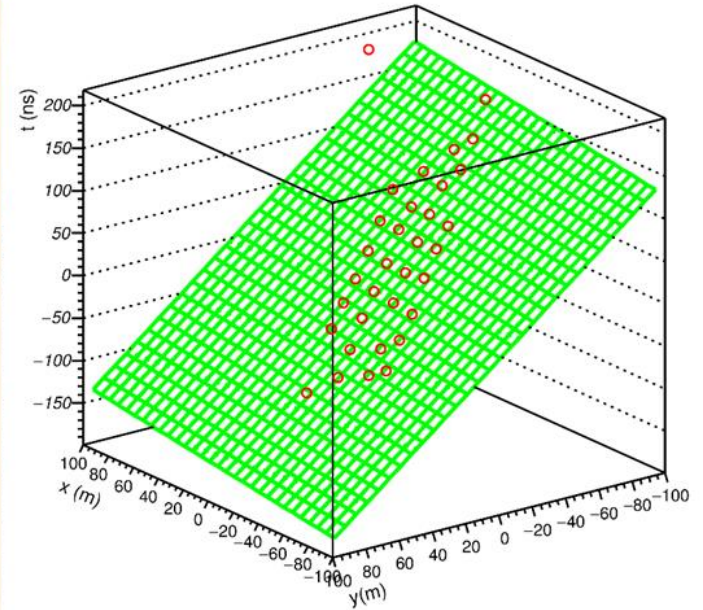
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33 EDs deployed in Jan, 2018



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