

# Status et perspectives de la radiodétection des grandes gerbes cosmiques

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## La Problématique des rayons cosmiques ayant des énergies de l'ordre du Joule ( $\sim 10^{19}$ eV)

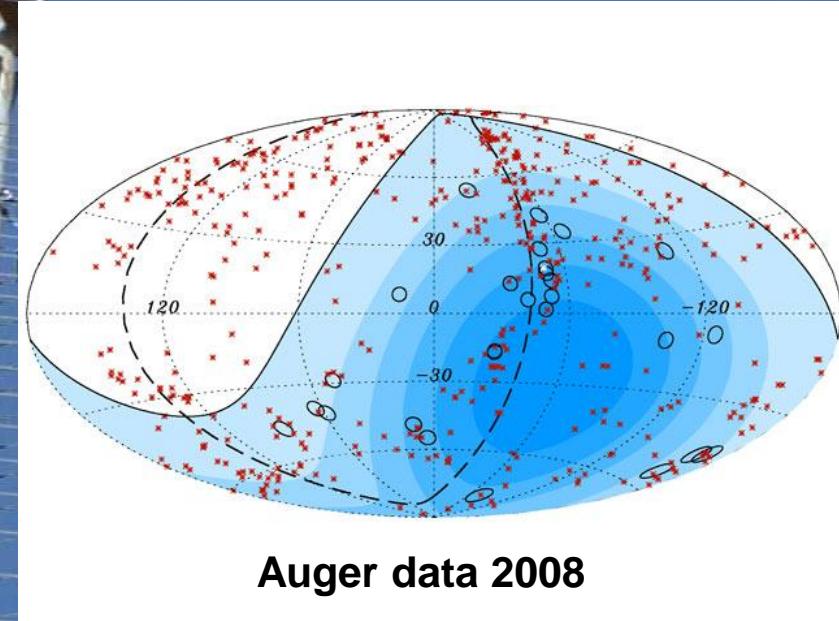
- Quelles sont ces particules ?
- D'où viennent-elles ?
- Y a t'il une limite à leur énergie ?

### =>Astronomie des Hautes Energie ?

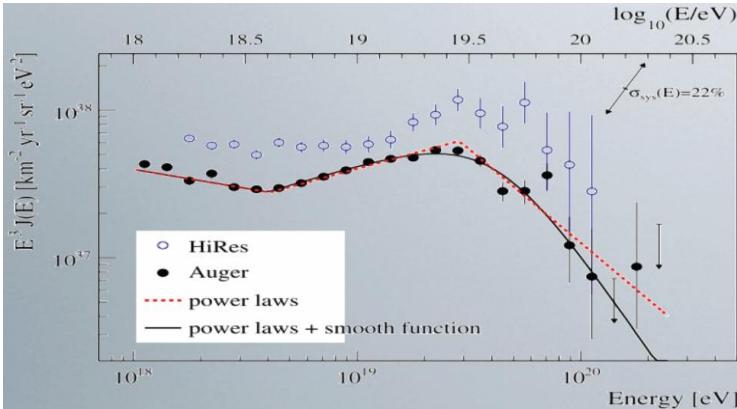
- => Structure des champs mag.?
- => Mécanismes d'accélération ?

### =>Physique des interactions au Joule ?

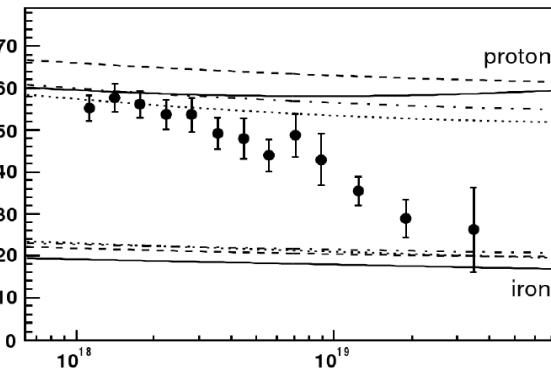
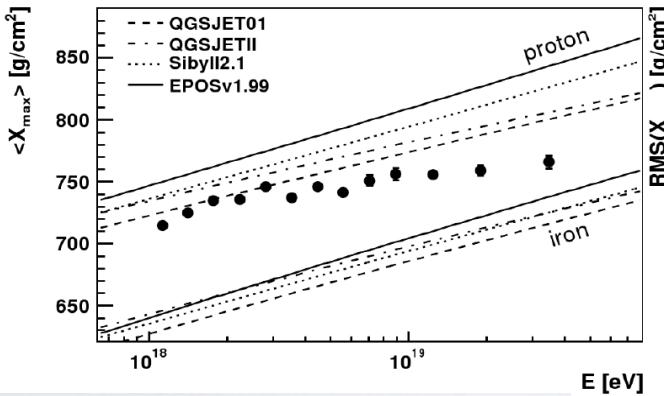
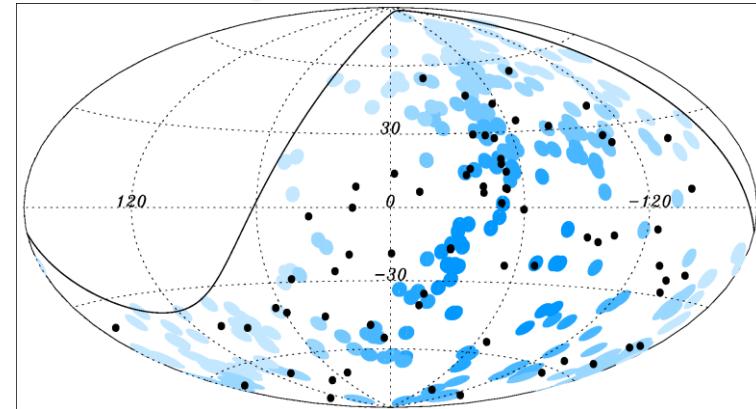
- + Physique de l'atmosphère, Radioastronomie (réseau réparti, pulse géant)...



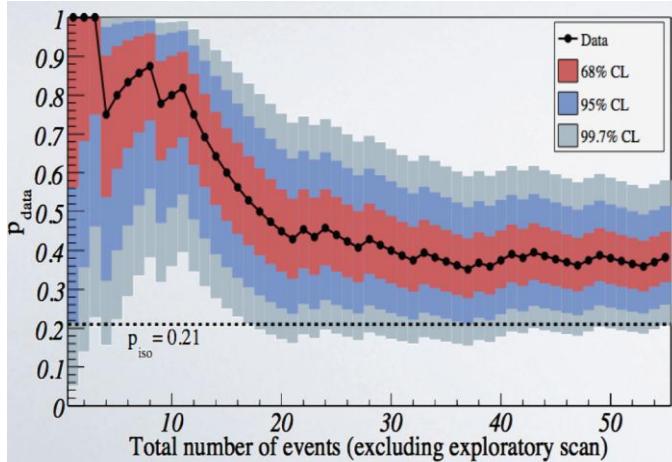
# Results in 2010 (AUGER)



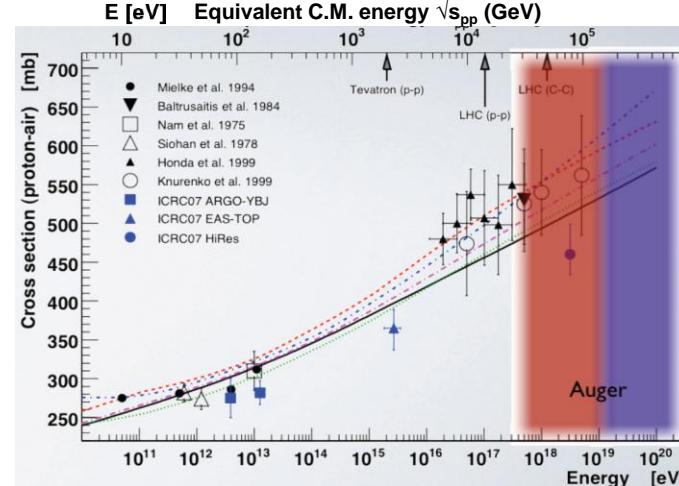
**GZK (20 $\sigma$ )  
and  
Anisotropy (3 $\sigma$ )**



**Fe rather than p ?  
(with current models)**



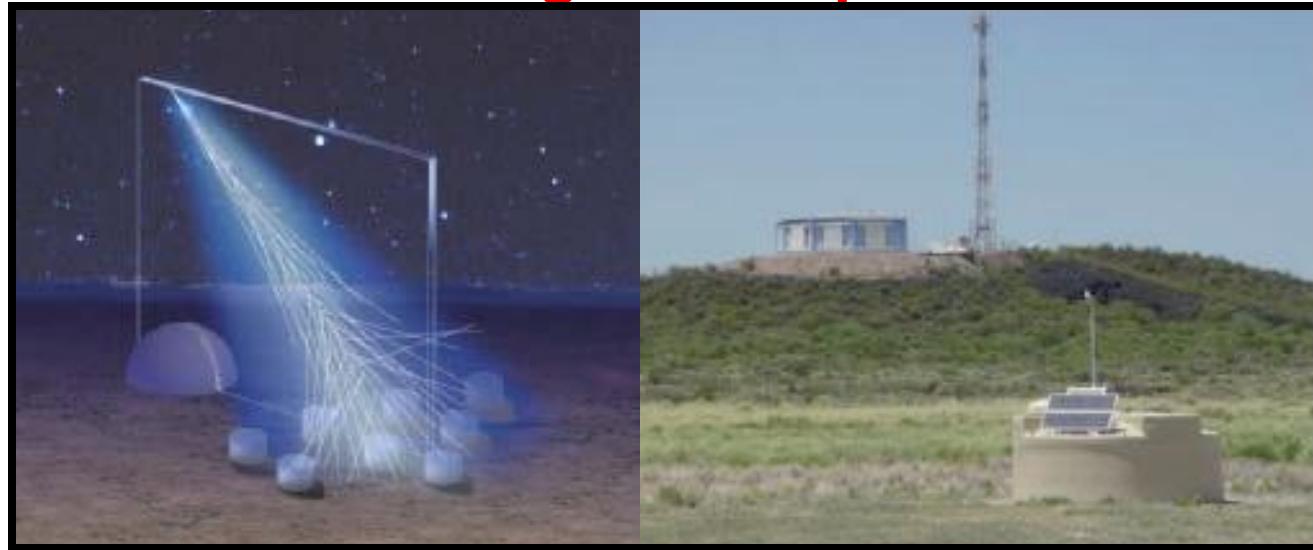
**Anisotropy genuine ?  
or change in Xsec at  
highest énergies ?**



# Des techniques expérimentales standards à la radiodétection

- => Des détecteurs géants comme le « Pierre AUGER Observatory » en Argentine ~3000 km<sup>2</sup> ou le T.A. au USA
- Les détecteurs de particule au sol => Pb des gerbes inclinées
  - Les détecteurs de fluorescence => Pb du cycle utile de 10%

=>**Besoin de détecteurs + grands & performants =>COUT**



**Rechercher d'autres solutions...**

# La radiodétection

1962: Prédiction théorique - effet Askar'yan

1964-65: Première expérience - T.C. Weekes

Milieu 70 ': Méthode délaissée difficultés d'interprétation et de détection + succès d'autres techniques

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Fin 90 ': Redécouverte dans milieux denses (glace, sel) =>neutrinos

En 1999: Preuve du principe sur accélérateur (sable, D. Saltzberg,)

En 2000 : Expérience sur CASA-MIA (K.Green et al., 2003, N.I.M. A, 498)

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En 2002 ← Expérience LOPES sur KASCADE => Analyse fréquentielle  
Expérience CODALEMA de SUBATECH => Forme d'onde

En 2005 ← H. Falcke et al., Nature, May 19, 2005  
P. Lautridou et al. NIM A555 2005

En 2006 prospectives sur PAO, en 2008 sur 21CMA (TREND), en 2010 émission free-free.... multi-sites, multi-capteurs, multi-analyses, multi-Messagers

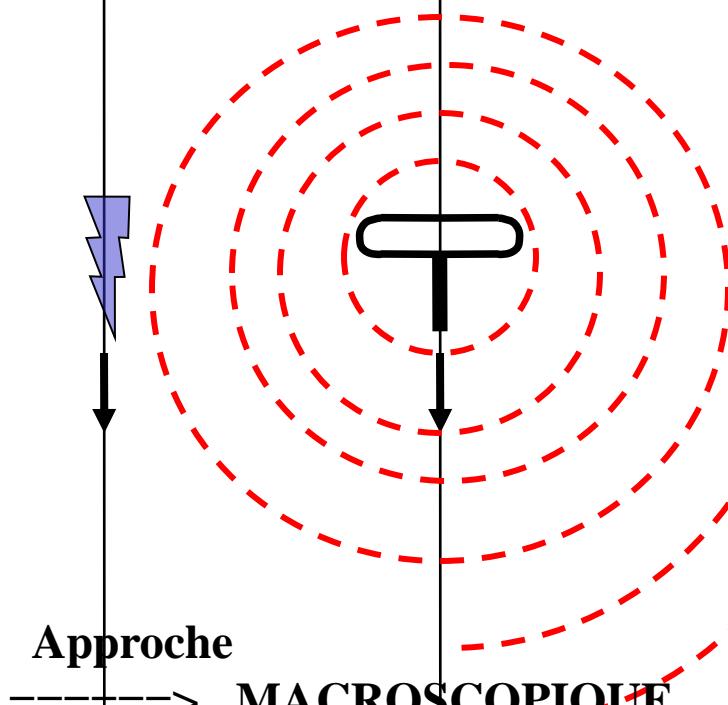
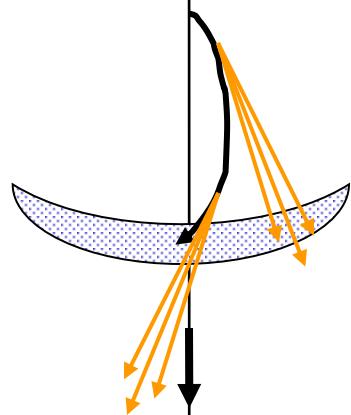
# Mécanismes d'émission radio

Dans le ciel...

Galette de  
Milliard de  
Particules...

→ Fil  
Électrique... → Antenne  
d'émission...

qui se dirige vers le sol à la vitesse de la lumière !!!



Approche

**MICROSCOPIQUE**

Geo-synchrotron

**MACROSCOPIQUE**

Courant dipolaire

+ Emission Cerenkov ?

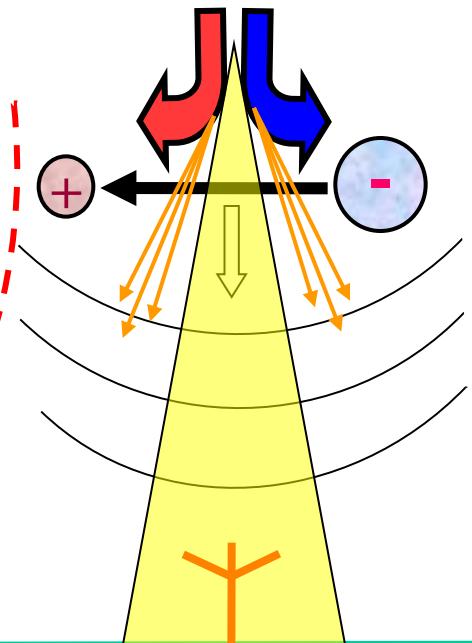
90% de  $\gamma$  ( $>50\text{keV}$ )

9% d' $\bar{e}$  ( $>250\text{keV}$ )

0,9%  $\mu$  ( $>1\text{GeV}$ )

0.1% hadrons

- Excès de charge:  $e^-/e^+$  monopole
- Effet géomagnétique  $F=qV \times B$  dipole



**ANTENNE DE DETECTION**

# Modelisations

- **Monte-Carlo: microscopic description**

Spectrum Analysis in frequency space

REAS3: Corsica + geosynchrotron

ReAIRES: Géomagnétic effect

- **Semi-analytical: macroscopic description**

Waveform analysis in time space

MGMR: Extraction of simple laws + Dipole current

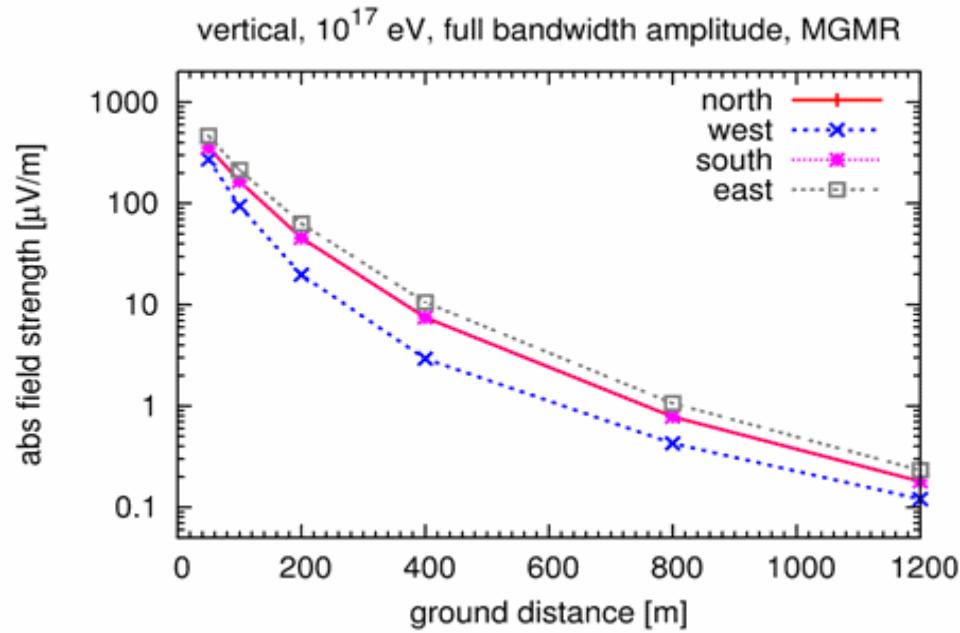
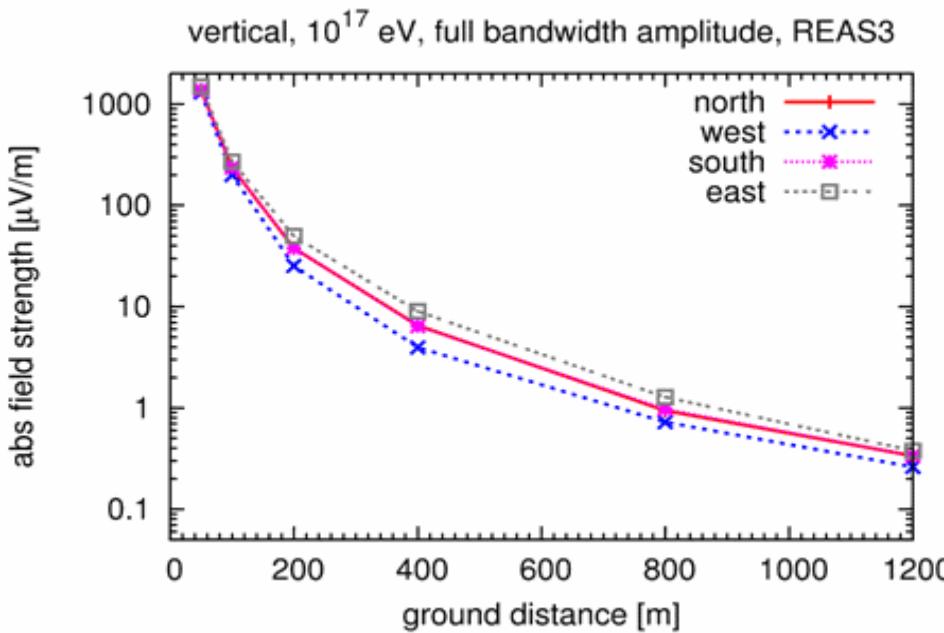
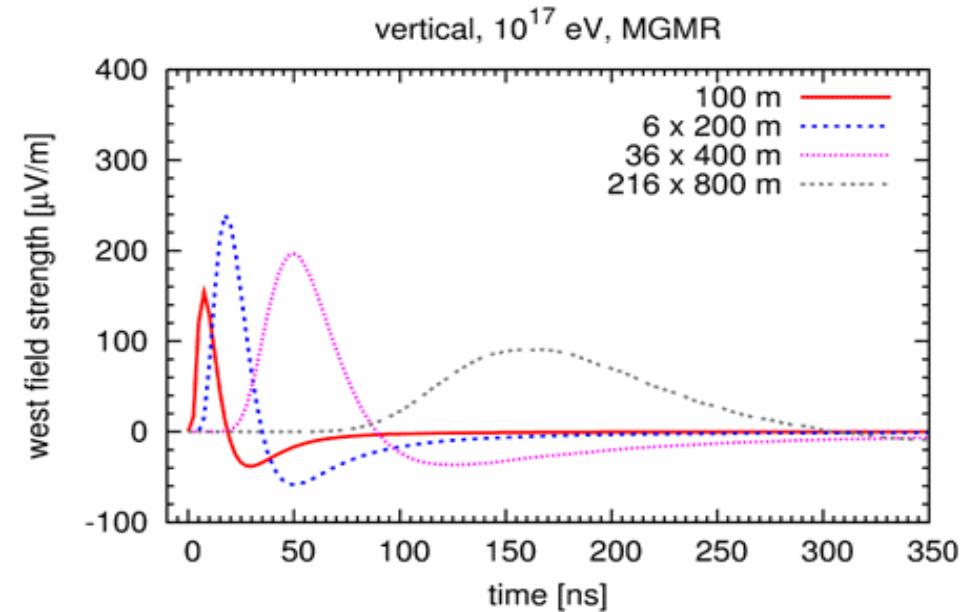
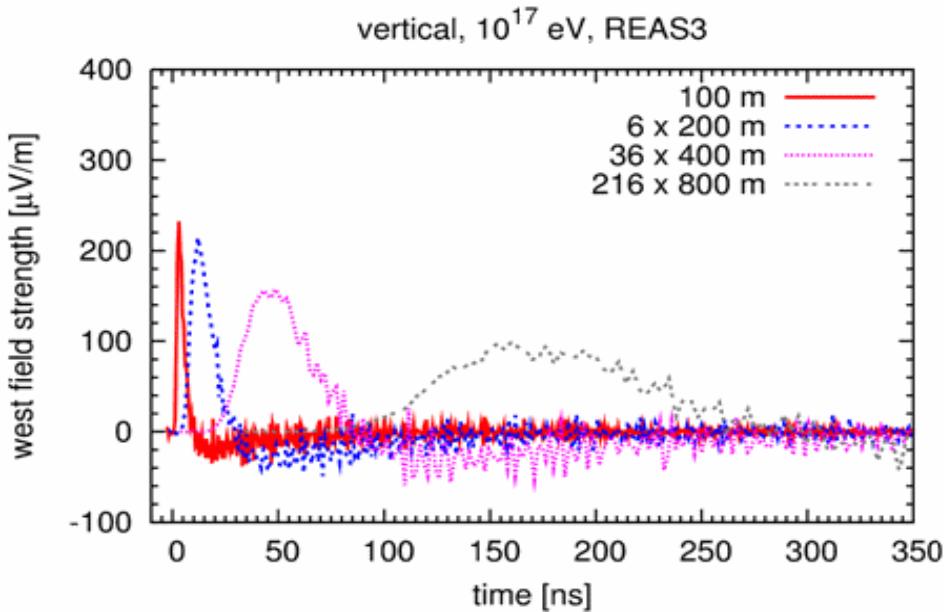
- + **Several toy models: test of specific points**

- Coulomb emission (+geomagnetic effect)
- boosted model (+ refractive index of Air + Cerenkov emission)
  - Wire model, Compton Inverse model, etc.

=>**Fréquency analysis (1970) => Waveform analysis + Trigger capabilities (2000)**

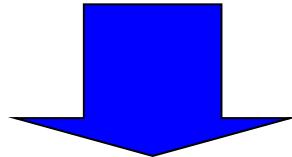
=> Since 2009 great unification of the theoretical results but... field extend & frequency spectra not yet in full agreement with experimental results

# Results of the modelisations



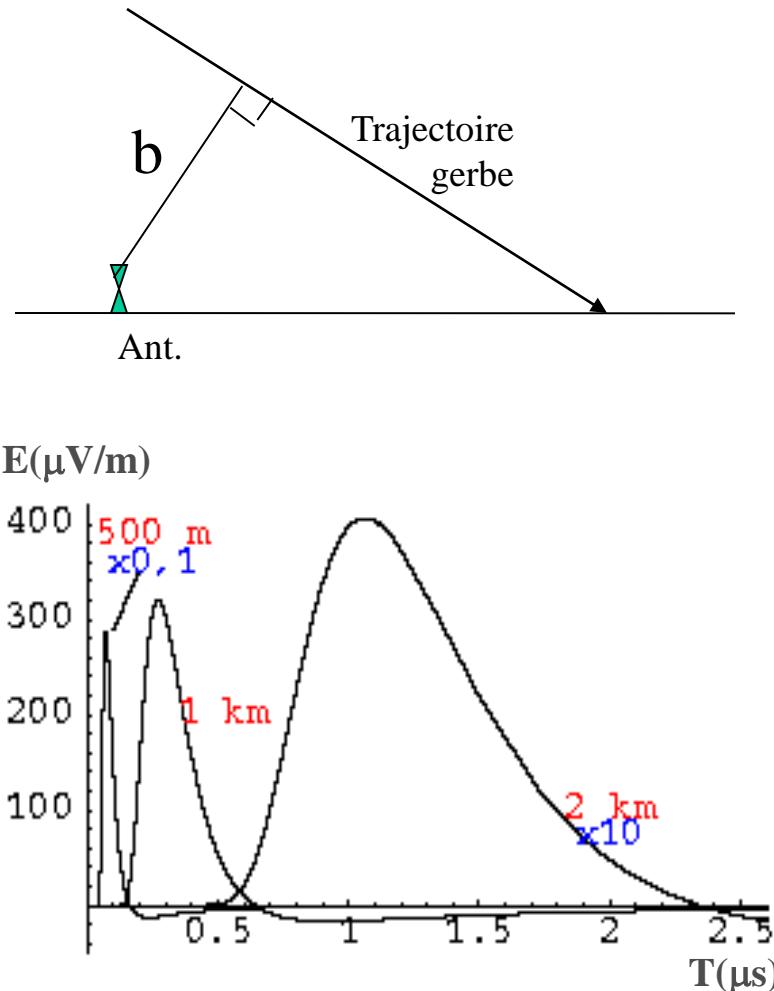
# Démarche expérimentale de CODALEMA en 2001

- **Simulation théorique:** Informations contenues dans la forme du signal
  - Amplitude ( $>1\mu\text{V}/\text{m}$ ) => énergie
  - Durée ( $\sim 100$  ns) => paramètre d'impact (b)
  - Forme d'onde => nature des particules

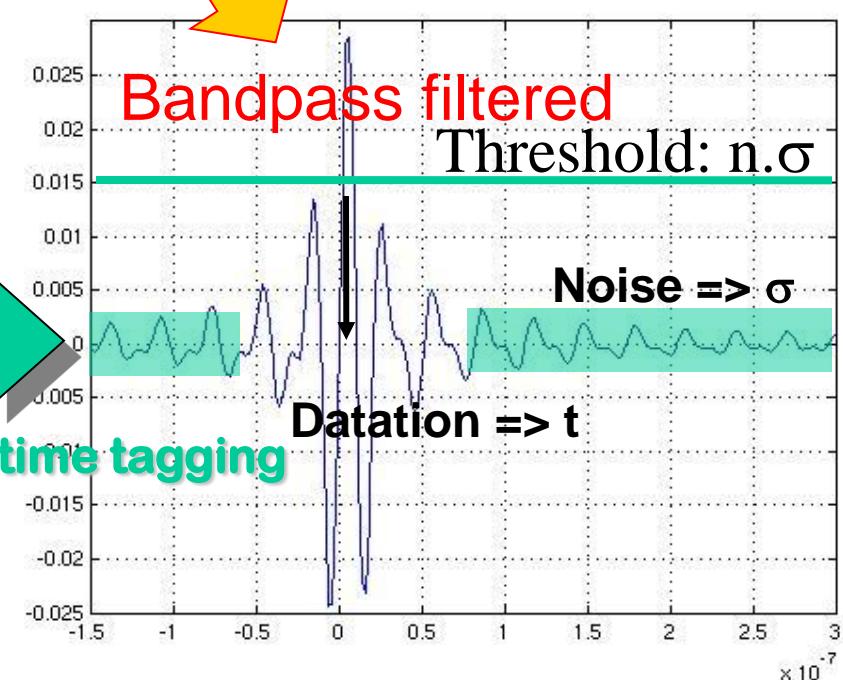
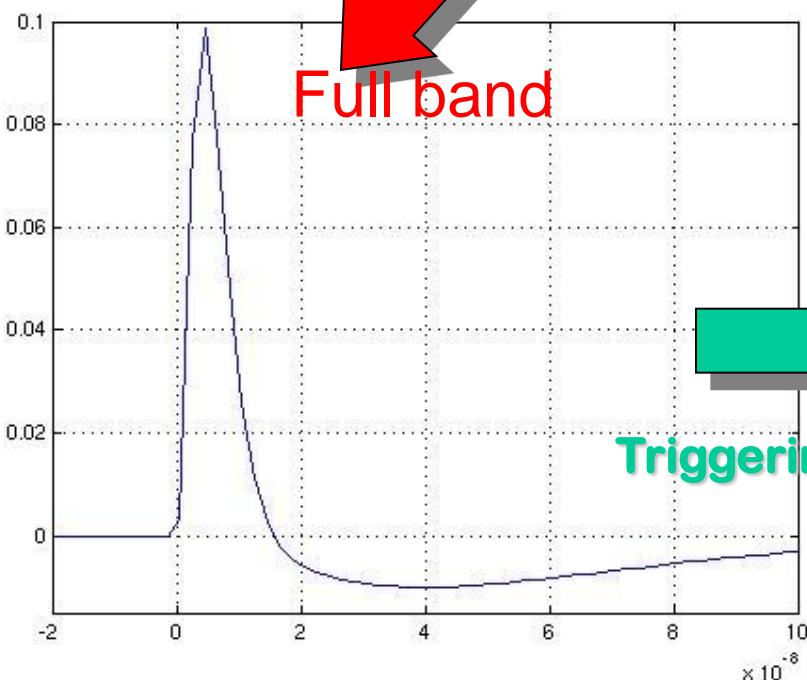
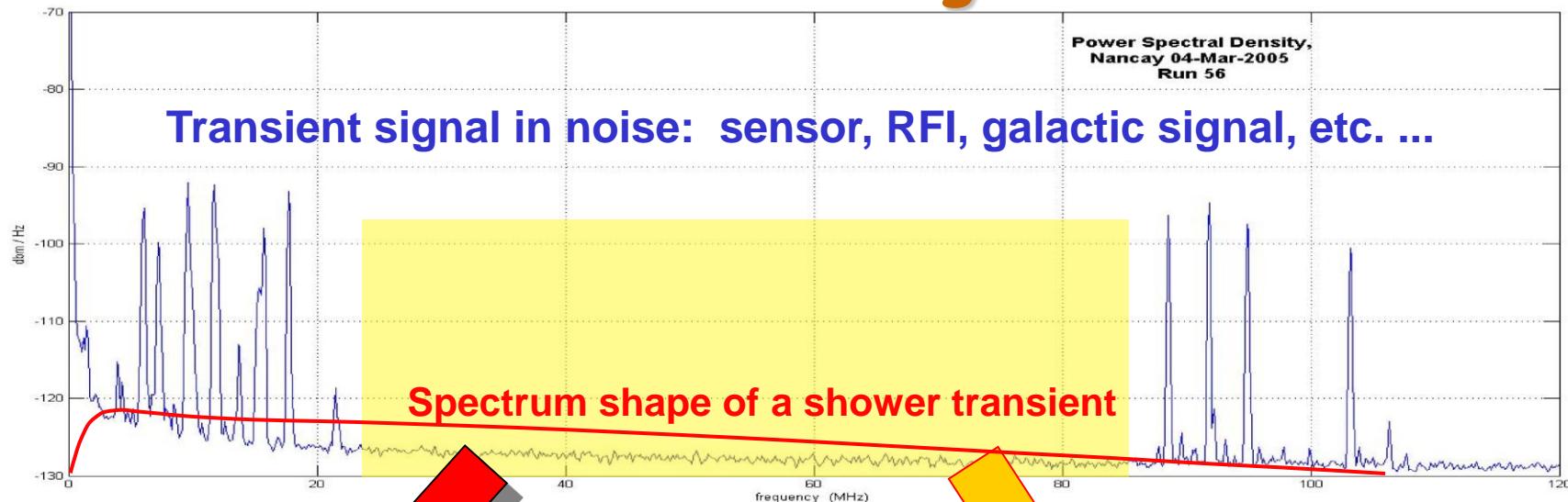


## • Mesures expérimentales:

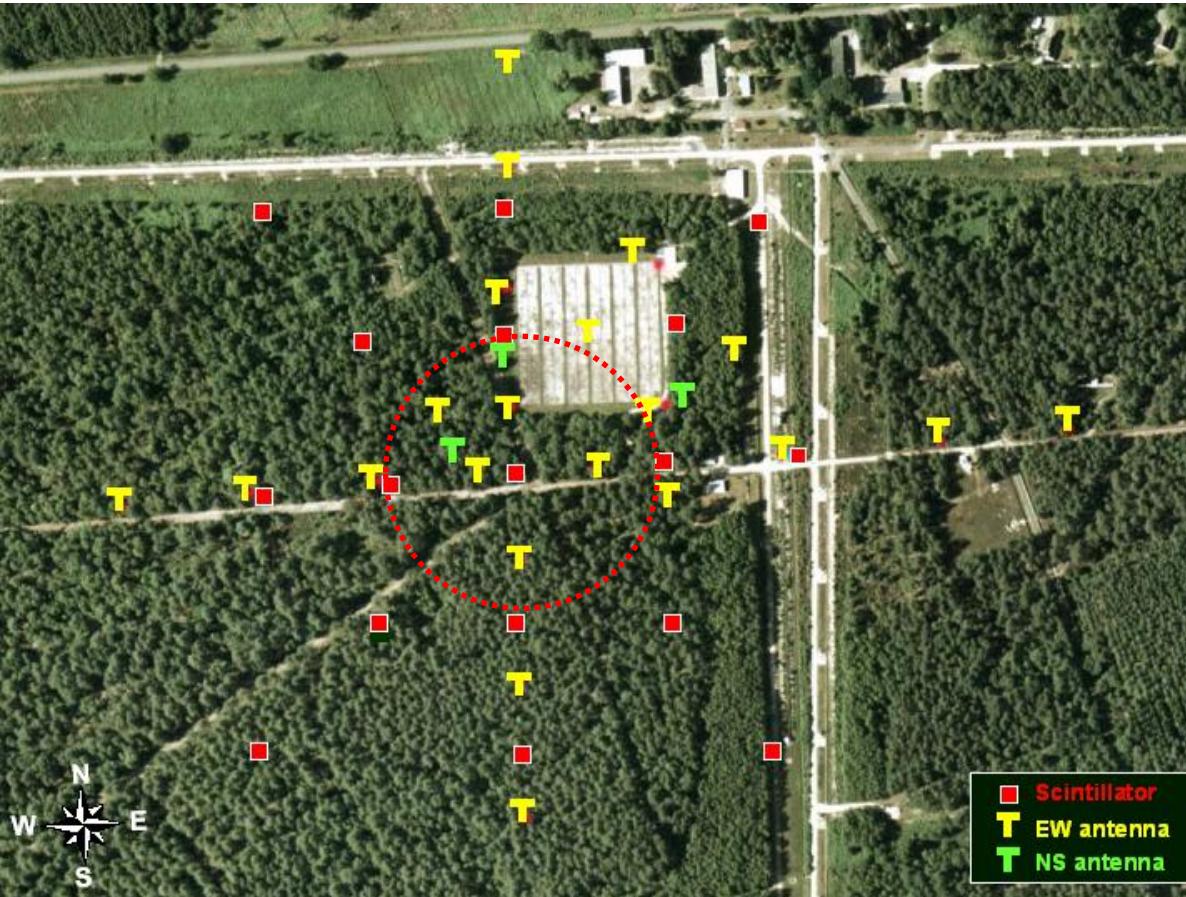
- Evts rares (trigger  $\sim 10^{-3}$  Hz)
- Analyse temporelle du signal => direction d'arrivé
- Analyse de l'amplitude => Extraction de l'énergie du primaire



# Transient recognition



# CODALEMA experimental setup in 2009



## Particle array

17 scintillator stations square 350 m x 350 m

**Trigger** : the 5 central particle stations

**Internal Showers** : Higher Signal in central stations

**Core Position + Direction + Energy (via CIC method)**

## Radio arrays

-24 dipole antennas

cross: 600 m x 500 m

21 ant. in E-W polarization

3 ant. in N-S polarization

## -DAM

18 blocs of 8 phased log-spiral antennas

Operating in transient mode

12 bits ADC  
@ 1 GSsample/s

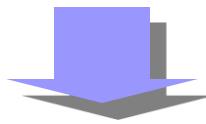


# CODALEMA illustrative example

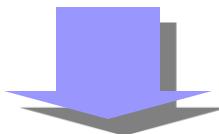
Wide bandwidth recording  
(here 1-250 MHz)



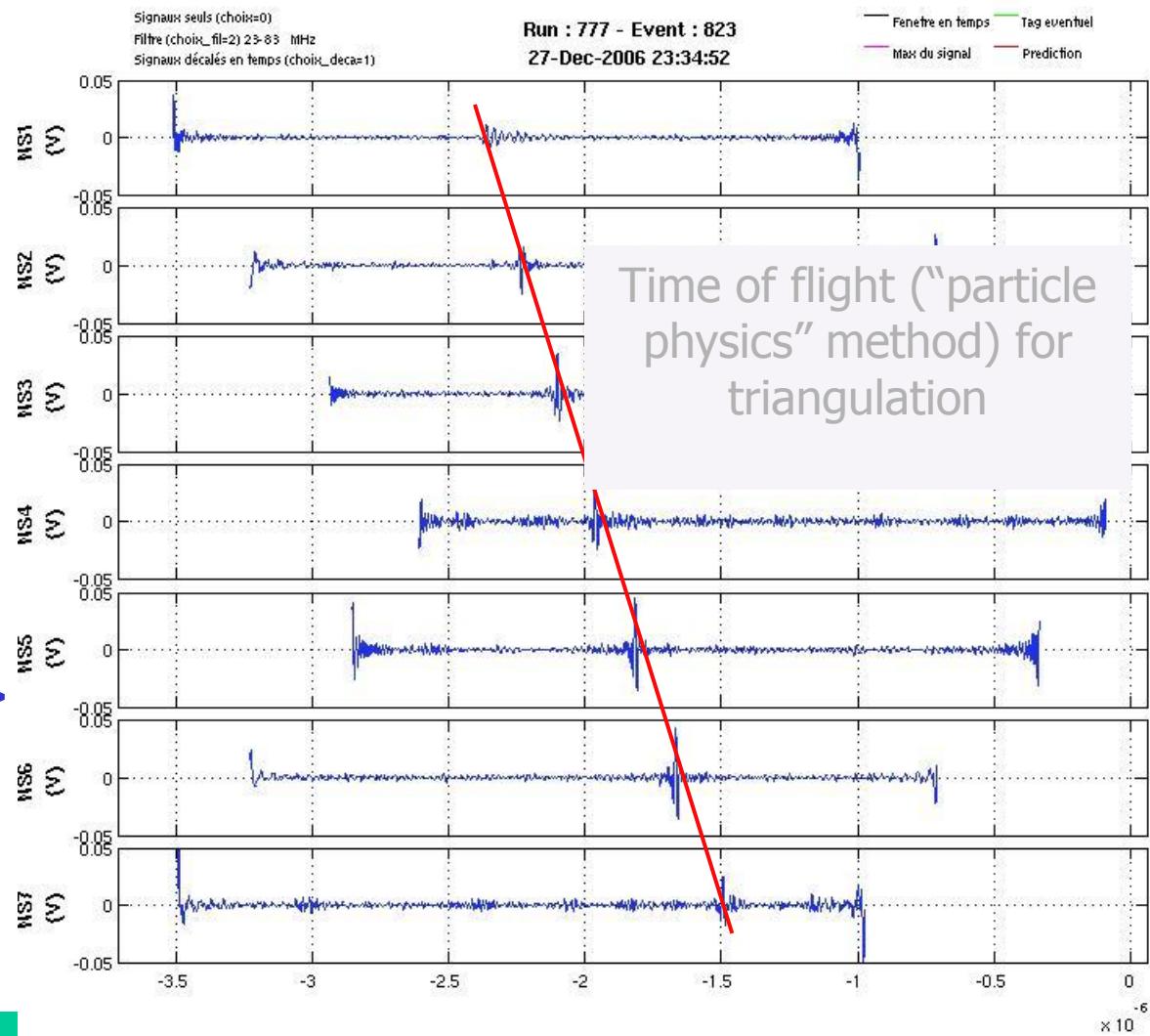
Narrow band filtering  
(here 23-83 MHz )



- Amplitude => Tagging
- Time => Direction
- Electric field profile =>  
Core location, Energy

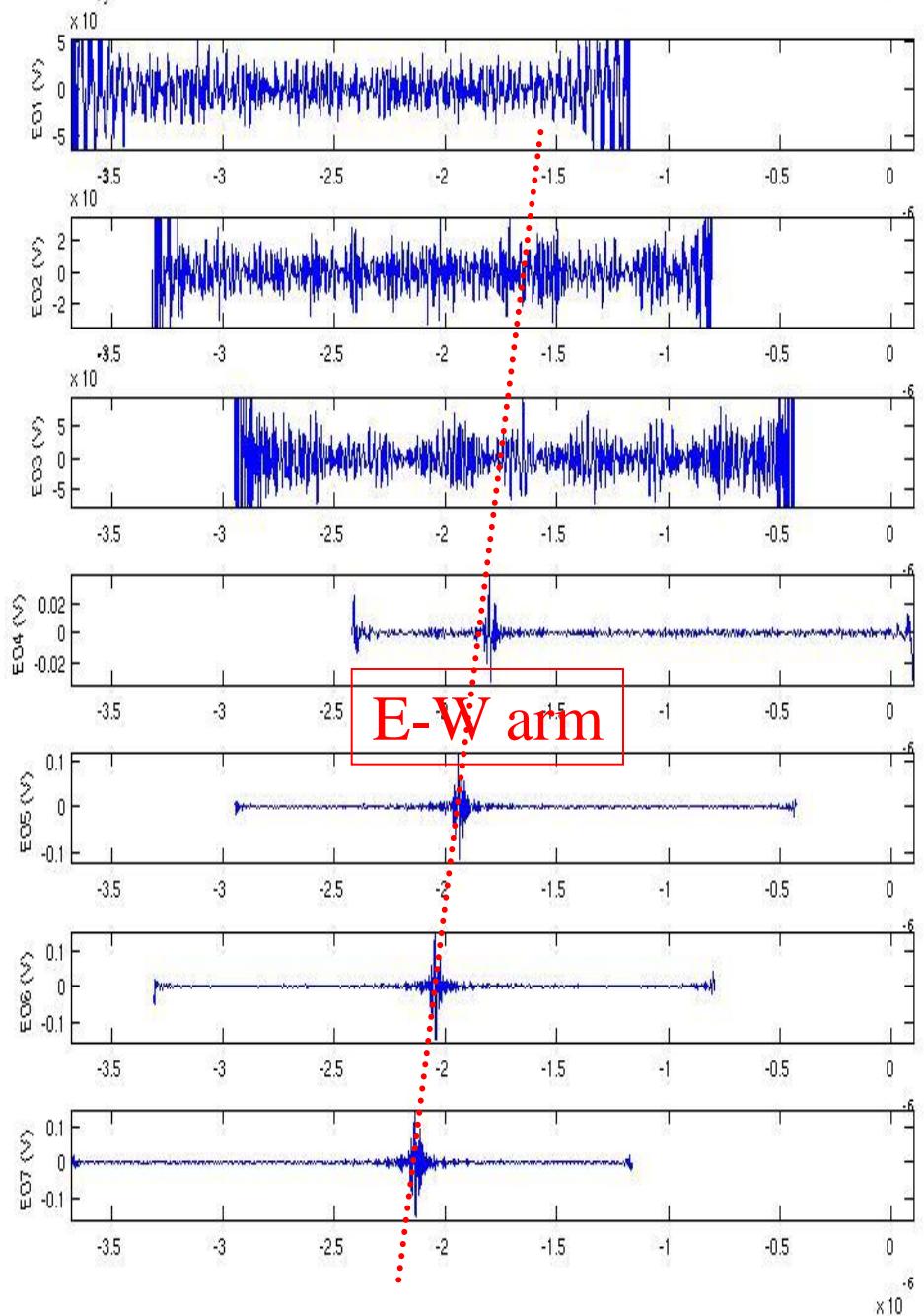
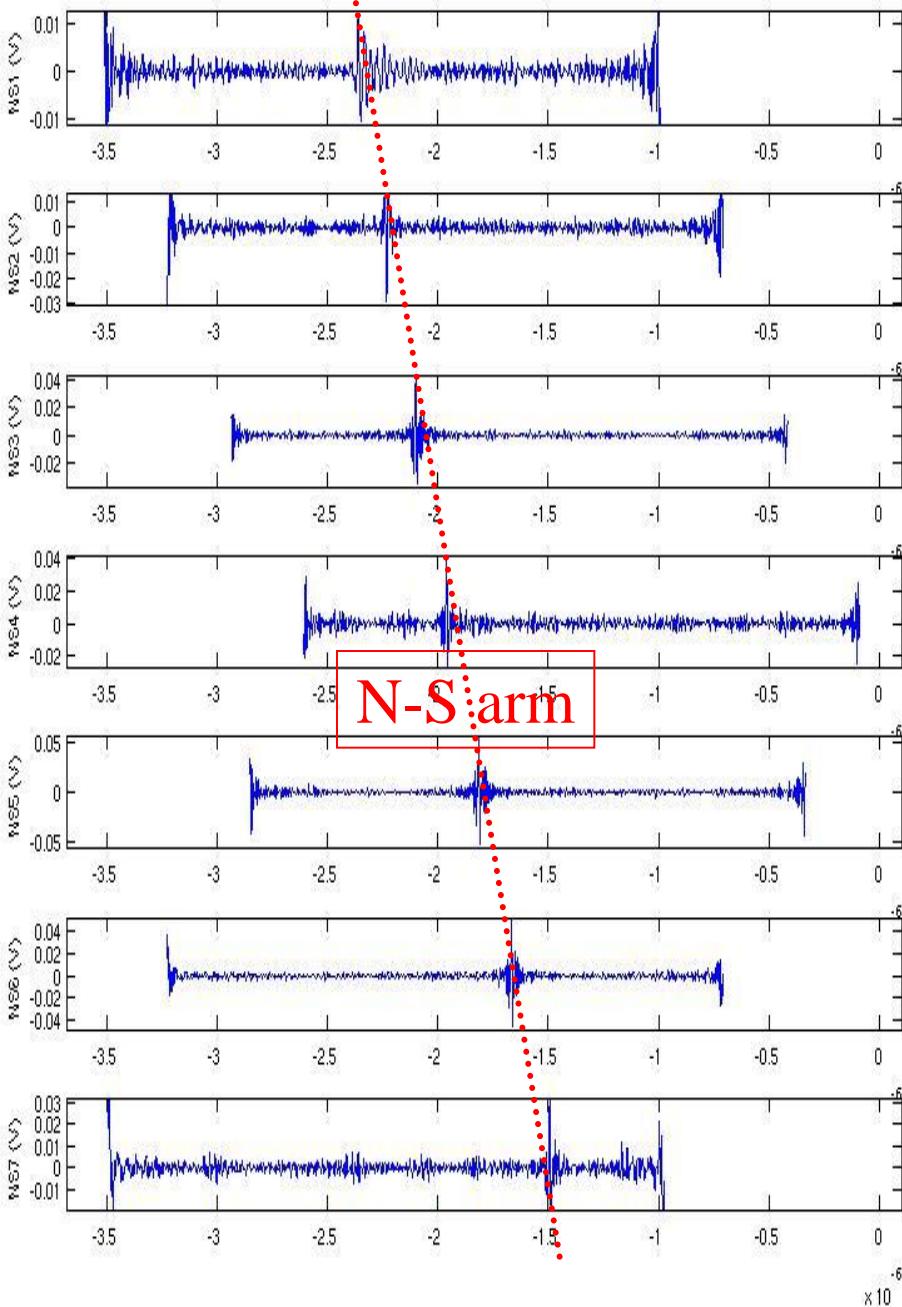


Ant. by Ant. analysis  
&  
Evt by Evt analysis

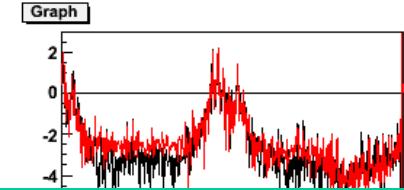
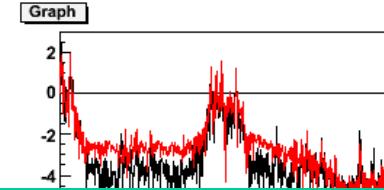
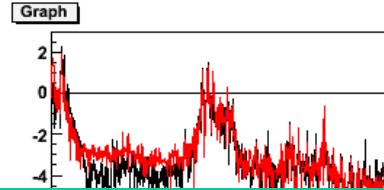
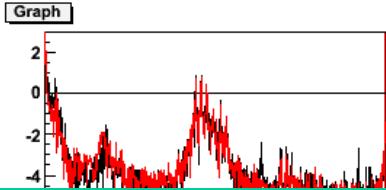


Correlations with particles

# A dipôle event in E-W pol. @ $E \sim 10^{17.5}$ eV (23-130 MHz)



# Associated frequency spectra



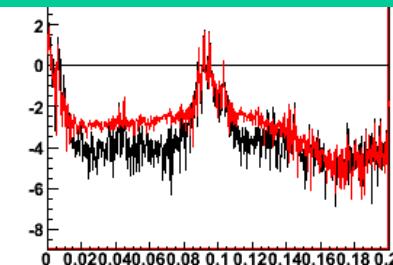
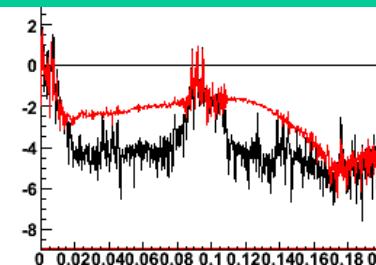
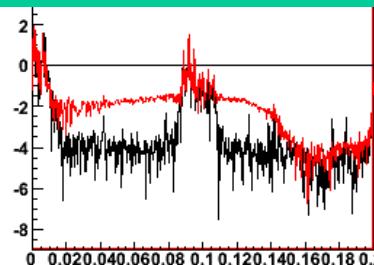
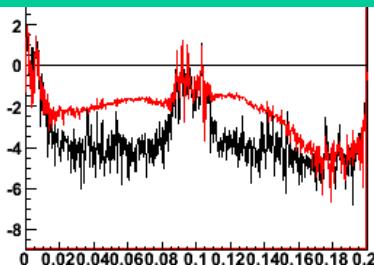
Various antennas (Log-Spiral, Dipoles) & Various electronics (LNA, VME or Scope ADC, Filters) tested...

=>The detection method is robust, the signal is firm: independent of the antenna and electronics

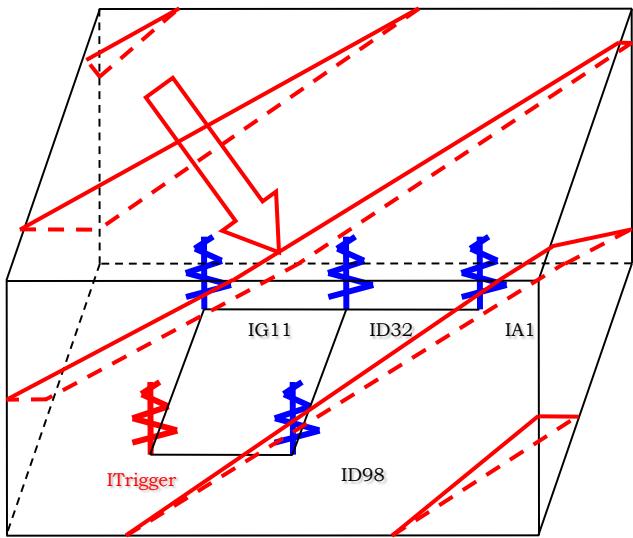
BUT:

Detection < 10 MHz not efficient enough @ Nançay  
(better @ PAO)

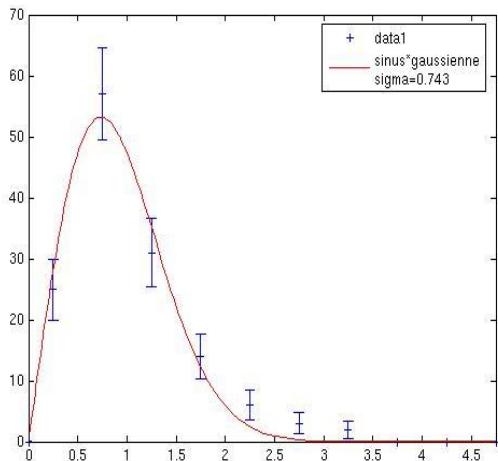
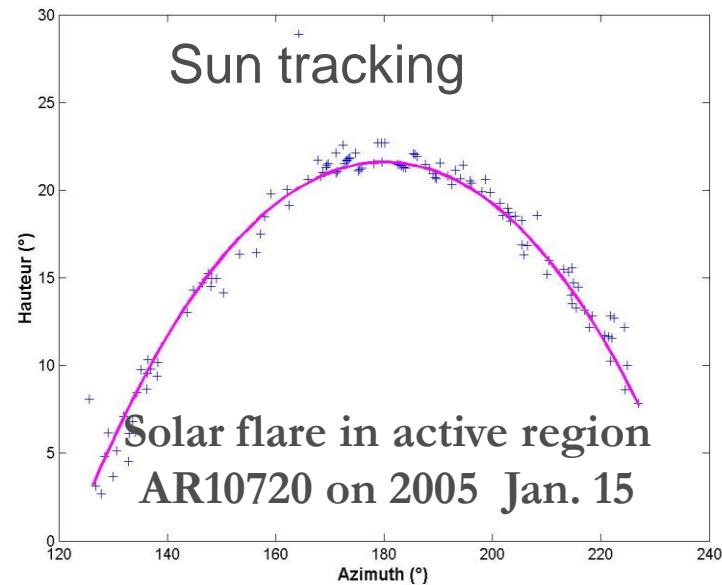
Detection > 100 MHz : Intermittent transmitters make the  
detection random @ Nançay  
(but efficient @ RF clean sites)



# Triangulation performances (using Solar bursts)

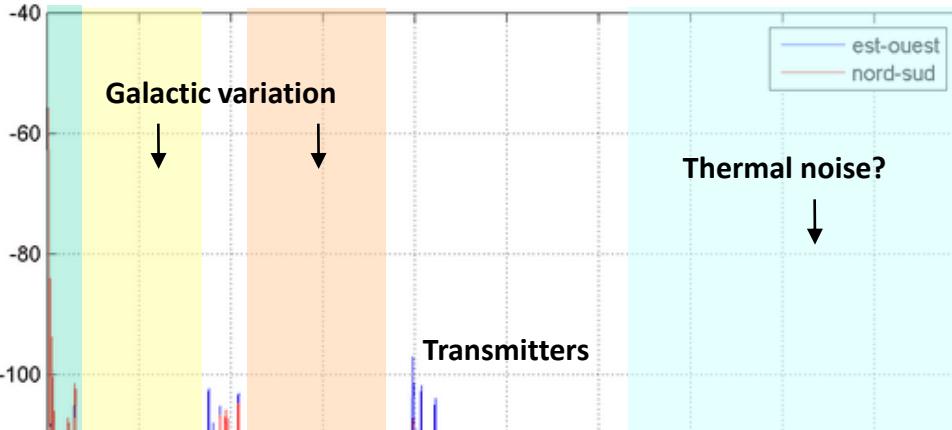


- Assume plane front waves
- Use arrival times of the transient



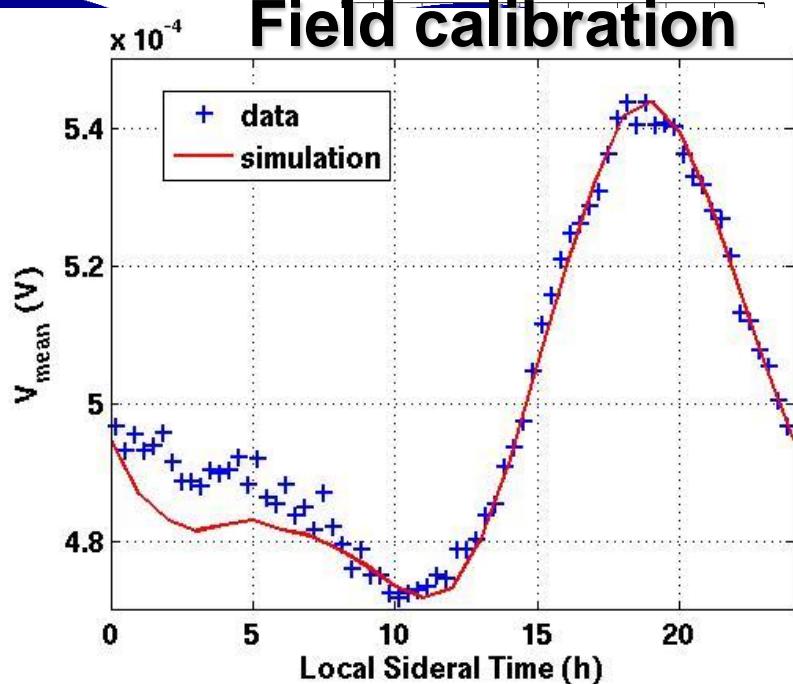
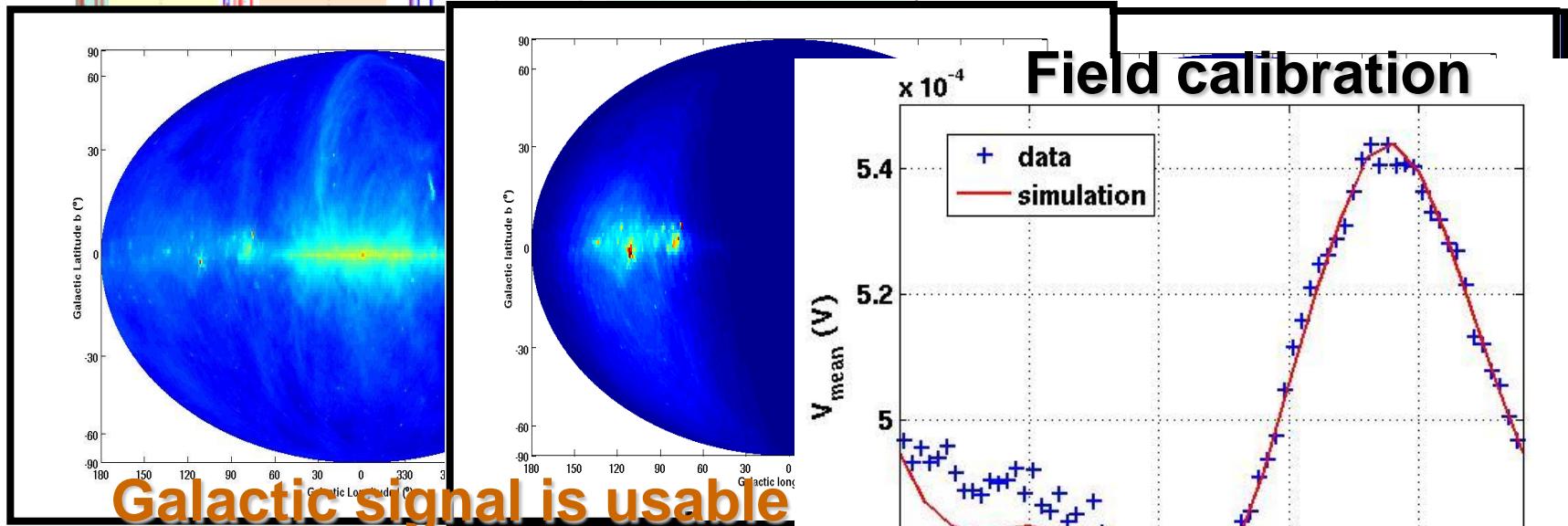
=> Angular Resolution Residues  $\sigma = 0.74^\circ$   
(level arm of 200m and 4 antennas)

# Field calibration method (using Galactic emission)

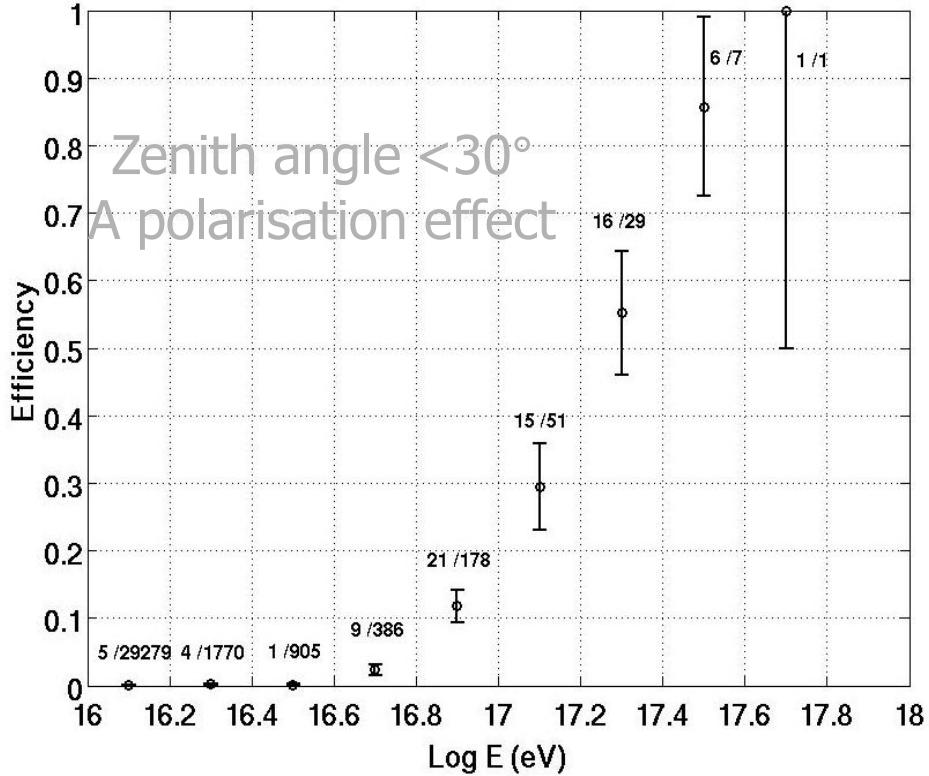
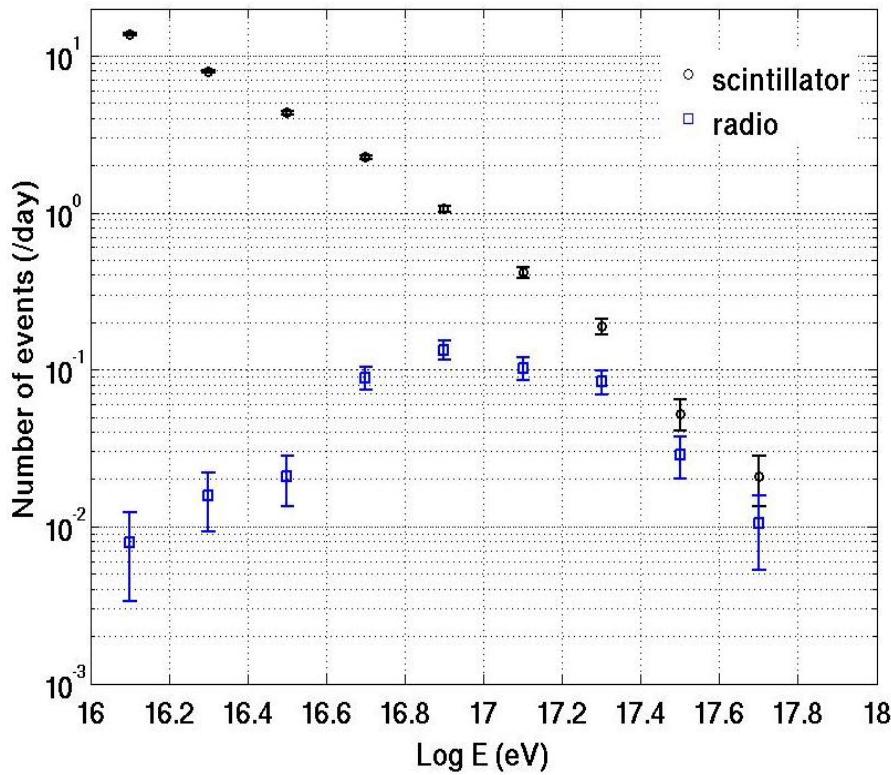


EW,NS

Exposure recurrence: 23h56

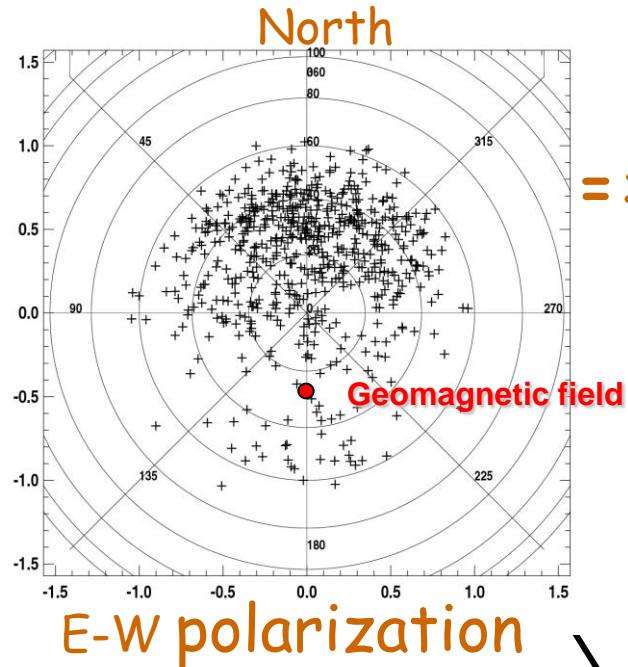


# Radio detection efficiency



Full efficiency reached @ $10^{18}$  eV with E-W polarization  
Expected improvements using the detection of the full states of polarisation ?

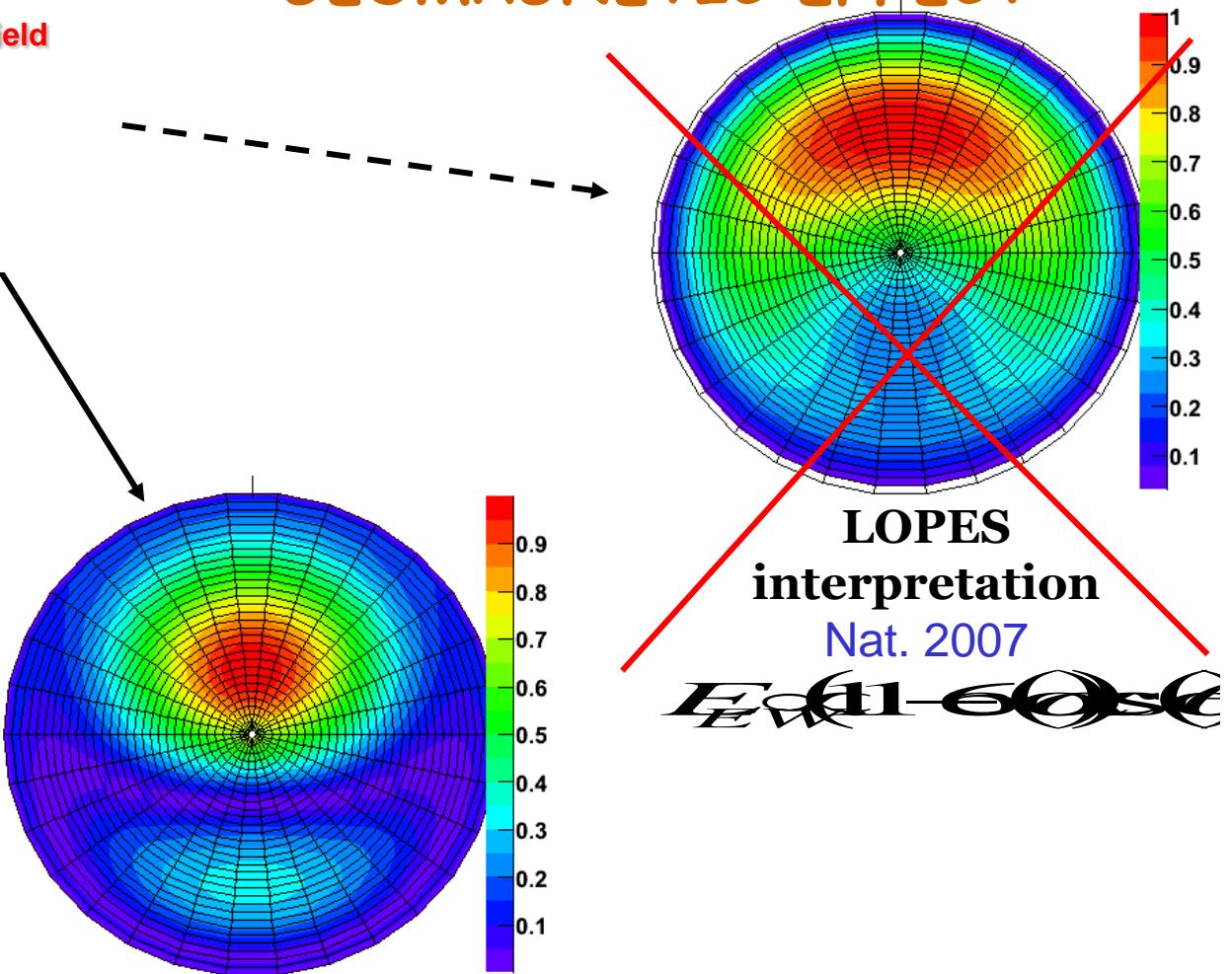
Is there a lack of efficiency ?  $\Rightarrow$  sky coverage due to antenna lobe effects ? etc.



# Emission Mecanism

=>Detection at threshold correlated to arrival directions

## => GEOMAGNETIC EFFECT

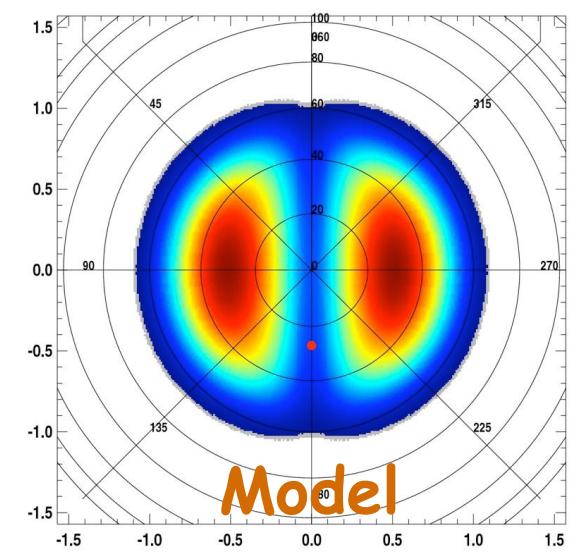


# **CODALEMA toy-model & AIRES calculations**

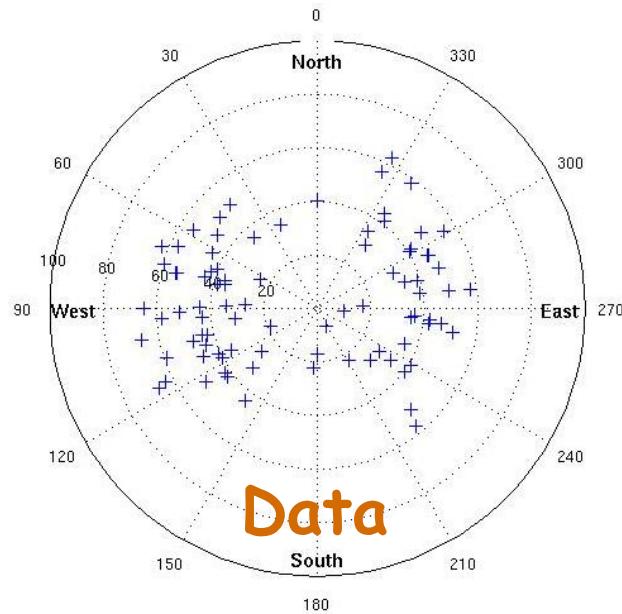
Astro.Part. Phys. 2009

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{E} \sim |\mathbf{V} \times \mathbf{B}|_{\mathbf{E-W}}$$

# Is the vxB model valid for the N-S polarization ?

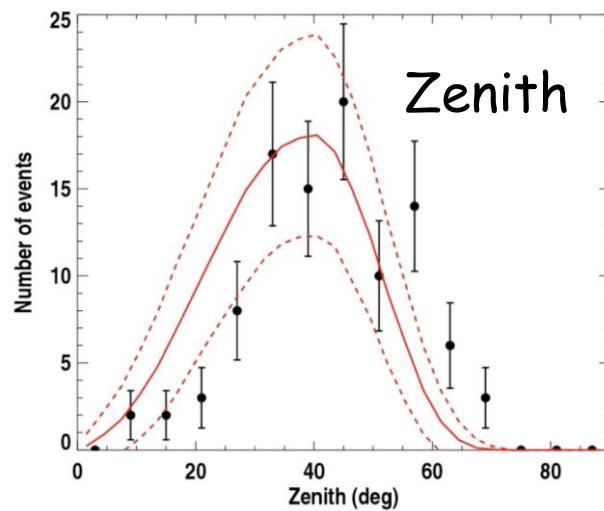
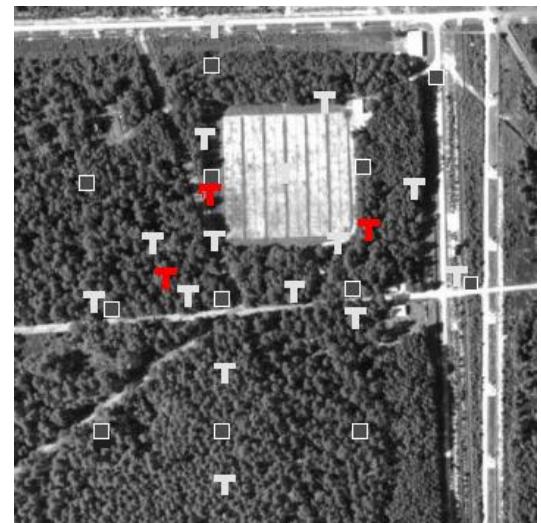


Model

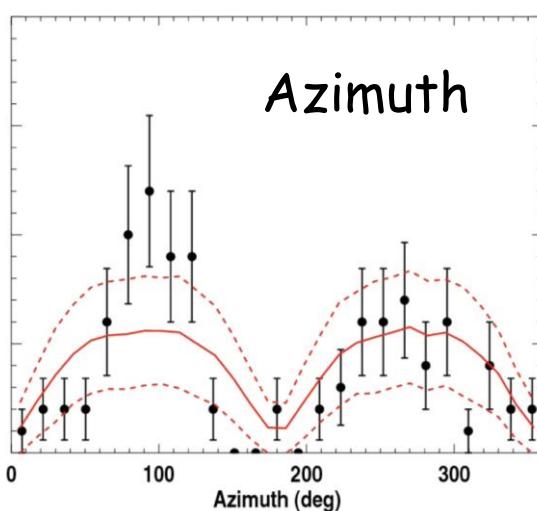


Data

3 N-S antenna in the array



Zenith



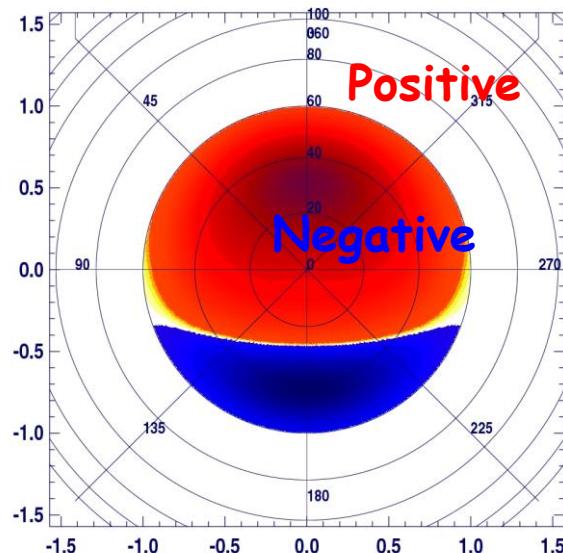
Azimuth

The statistic is lower  
but at the first look :  
**YES**

# Is that the model reflects the polarity of the pulse ?

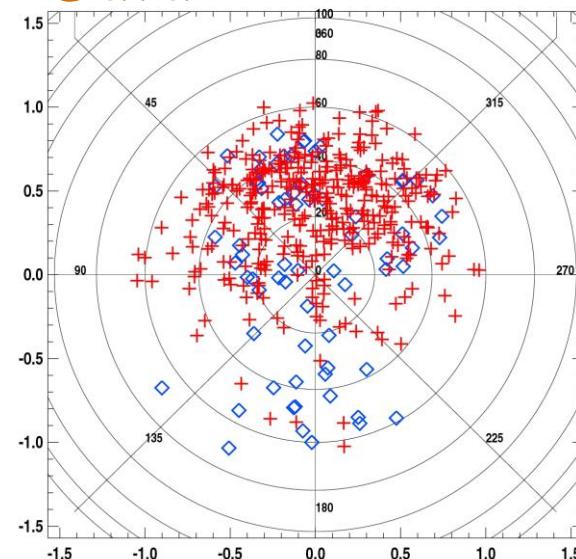
- The filtered Signal keeps the polarity of the full band signal
- The sign of the event is given by the sum of the polarities

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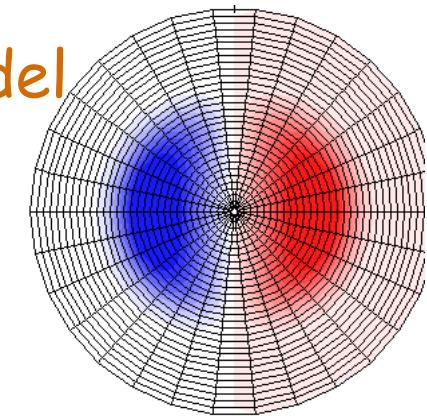


E-W polarization

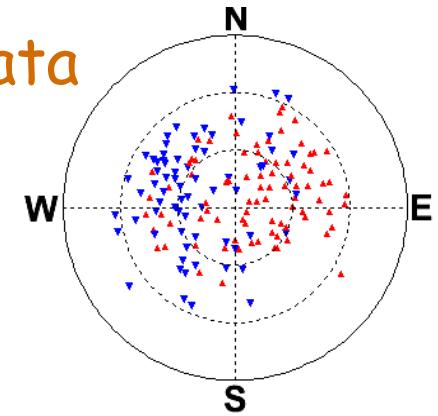
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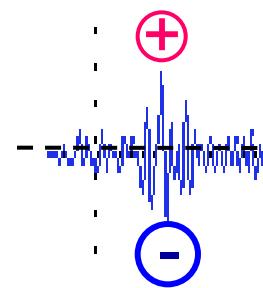
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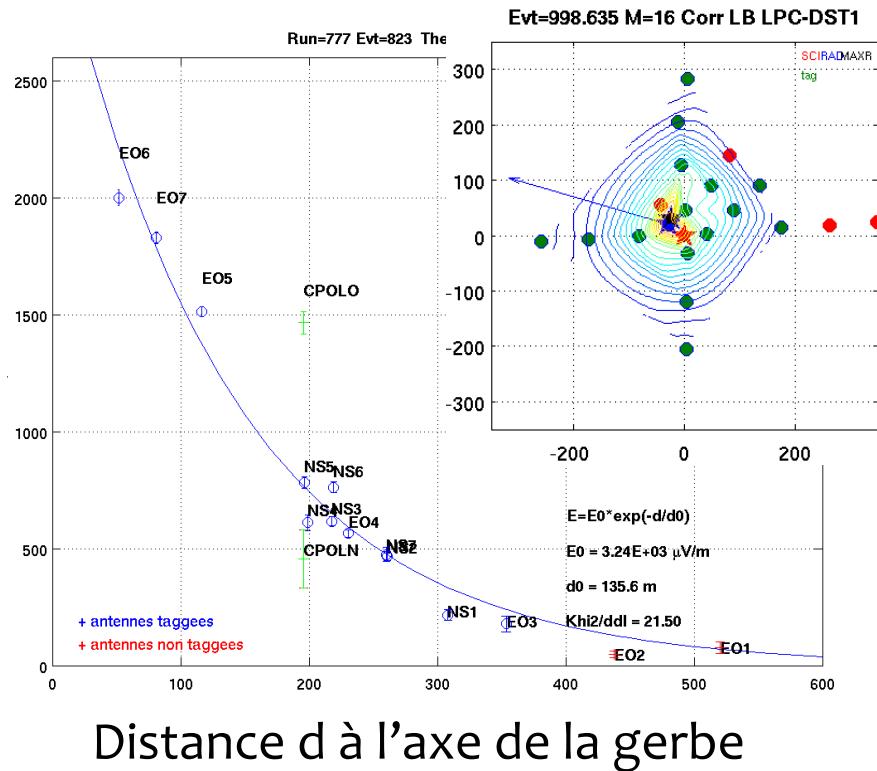


N-S polarization



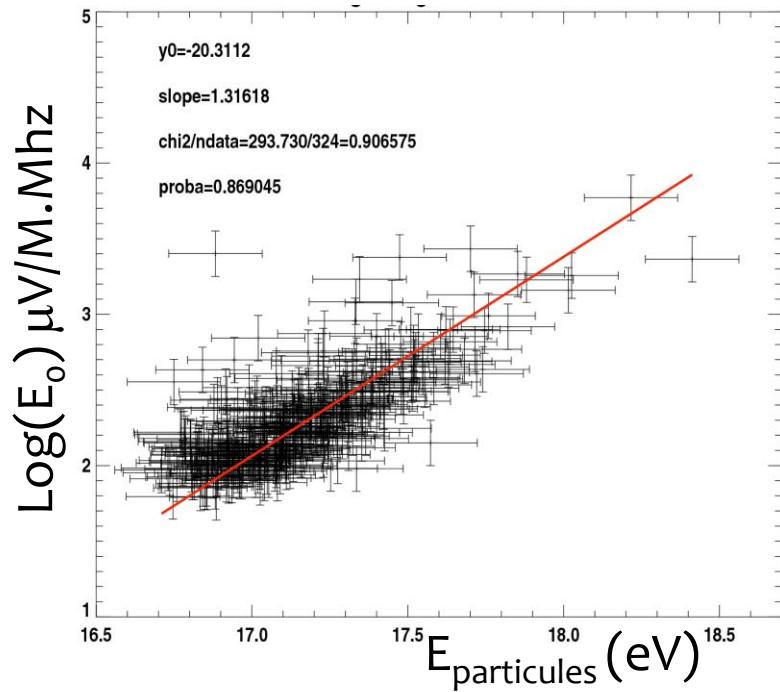
# Energy calibration (Preliminary)

Champ Électrique E



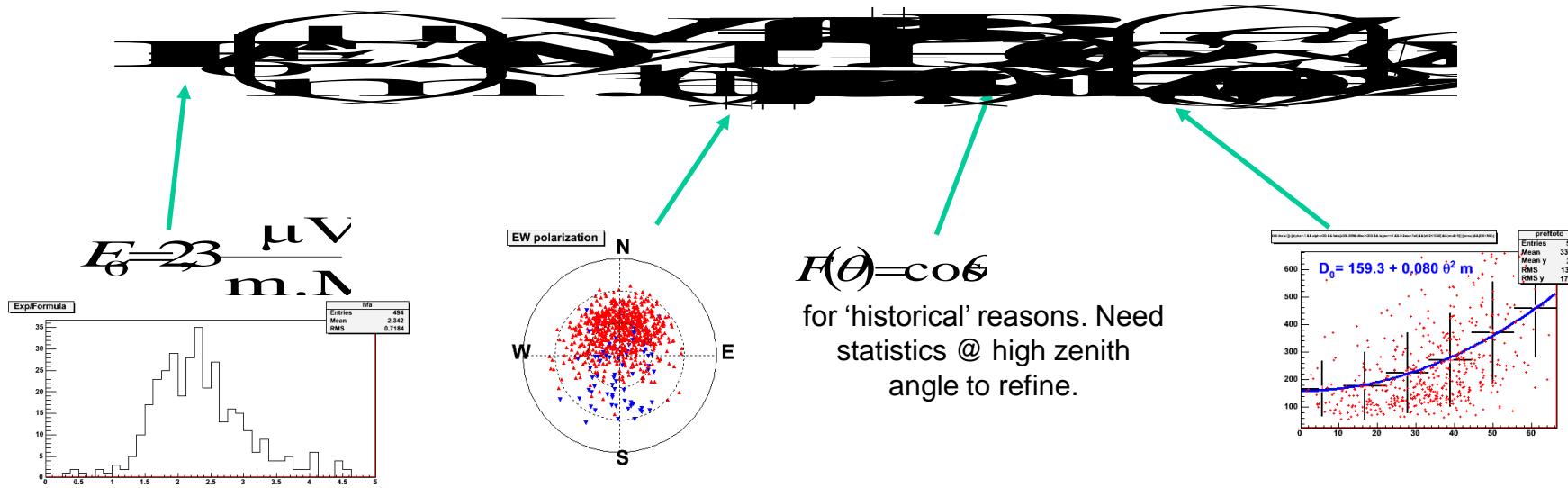
Interpretation of the profile with the ALLAN formula:  
 $E = E_0 \cdot \exp(-d/d_0)$

=> Allows to deduce  $E_0$  after fit  
=> Try  $E_0$  as energy estimator for radio



=> Expected improvements using E-W + N-S detection

# From CODALEMA results to simulations codes => overall parameterization



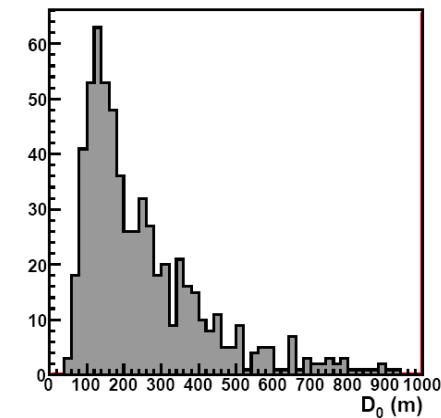
$$F(\theta) = \cos\theta$$

for 'historical' reasons. Need statistics @ high zenith angle to refine.

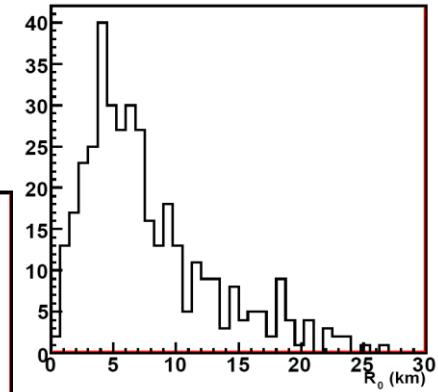
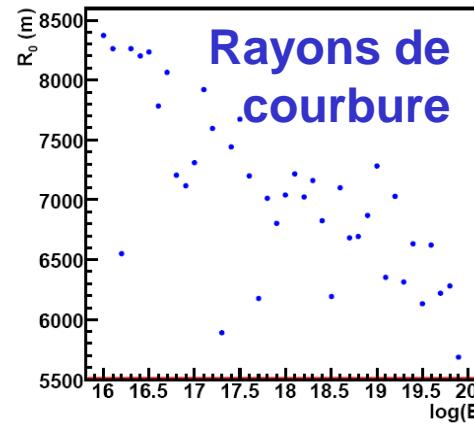
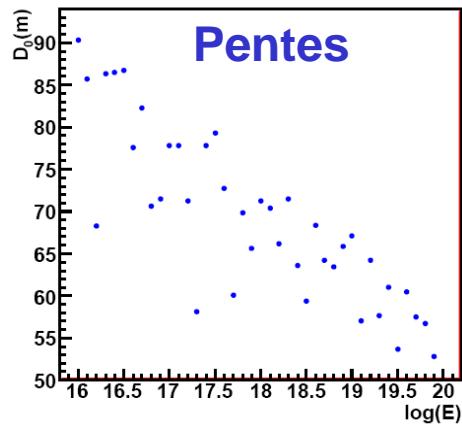
⇒ Applied to radio-detection networks (CODALEMA, AERA...)

Effects of array pitch, shape, magnetic field, altitude, detection threshold, acceptance, multiplicity, bandwidth, polarisation...

# Corrélations des observables: un puzzle à résoudre....

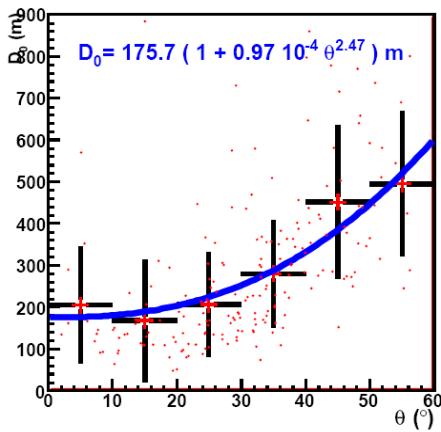


Comprendre la variabilités des profils

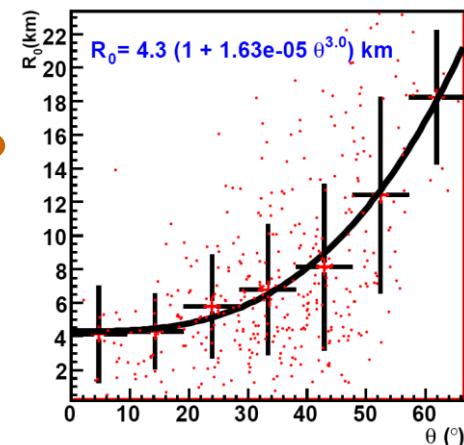


Comprendre la variabilité des courbures

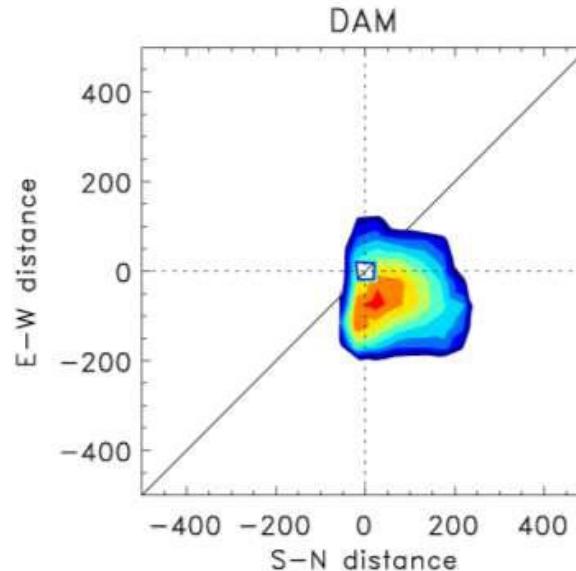
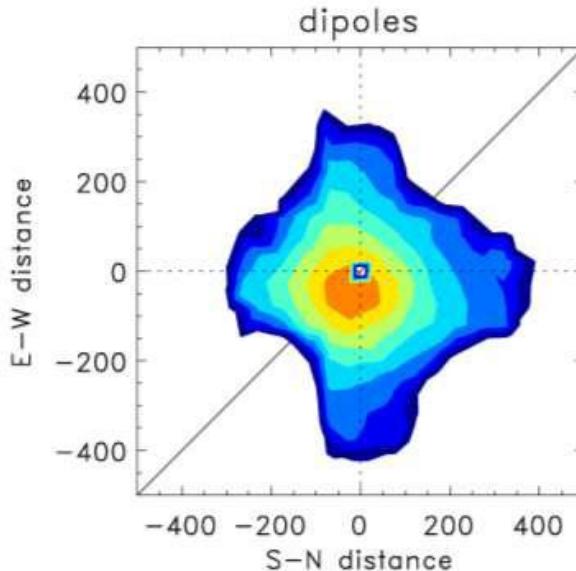
Simulations AIRES



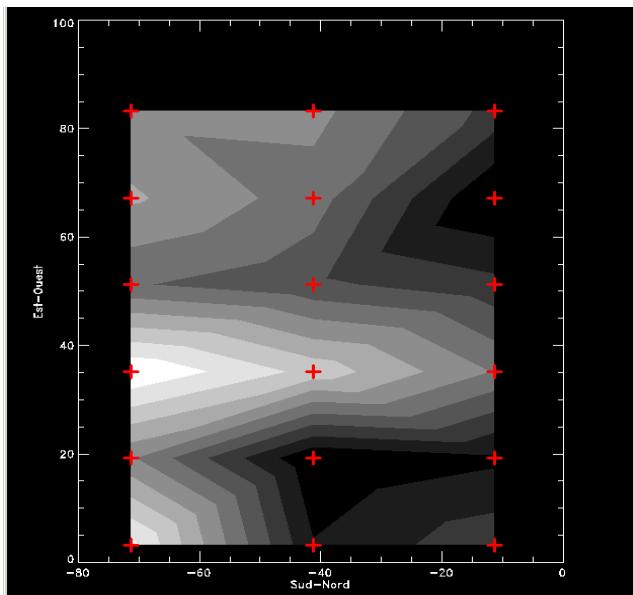
Effet du Xmax ?  
Altitude première Interaction ?  
⇒ Identification du primaire?



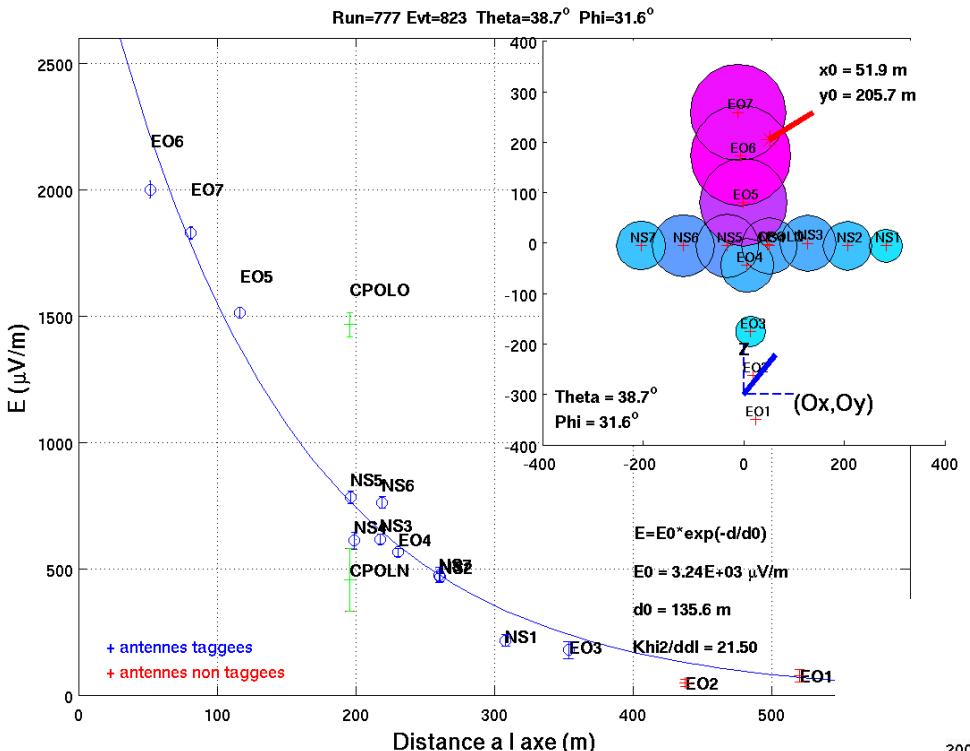
# Interprétations des nouvelles observations



Décalage des  
pieds de gerbe  
radio vers l'Est  
???



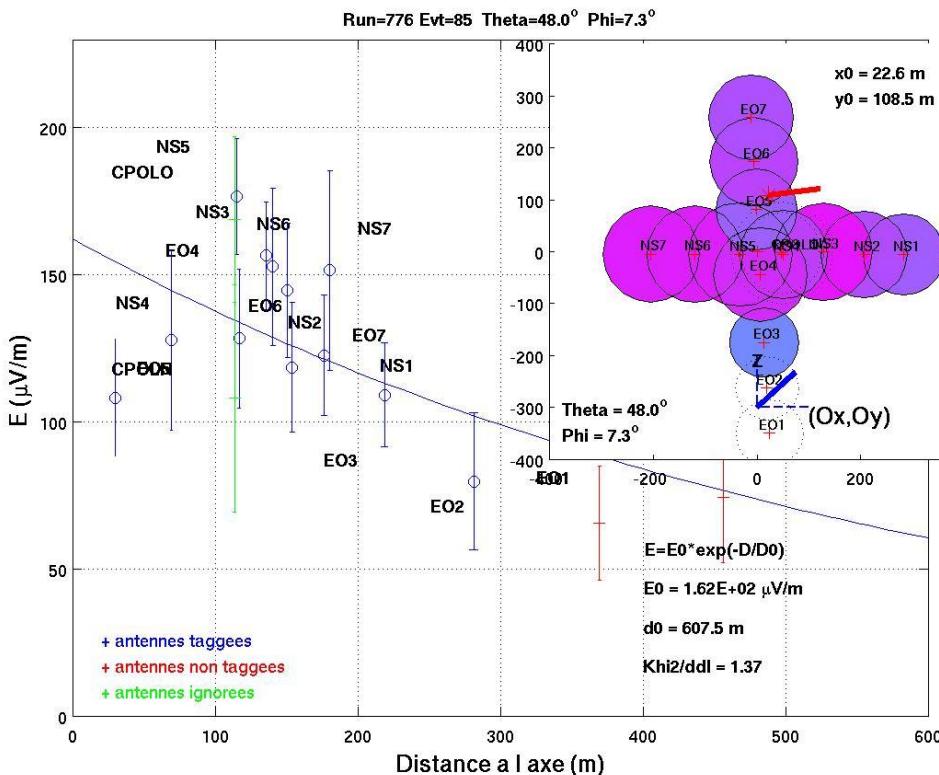
Topologie du champ  
électrique à courte  
distance ???



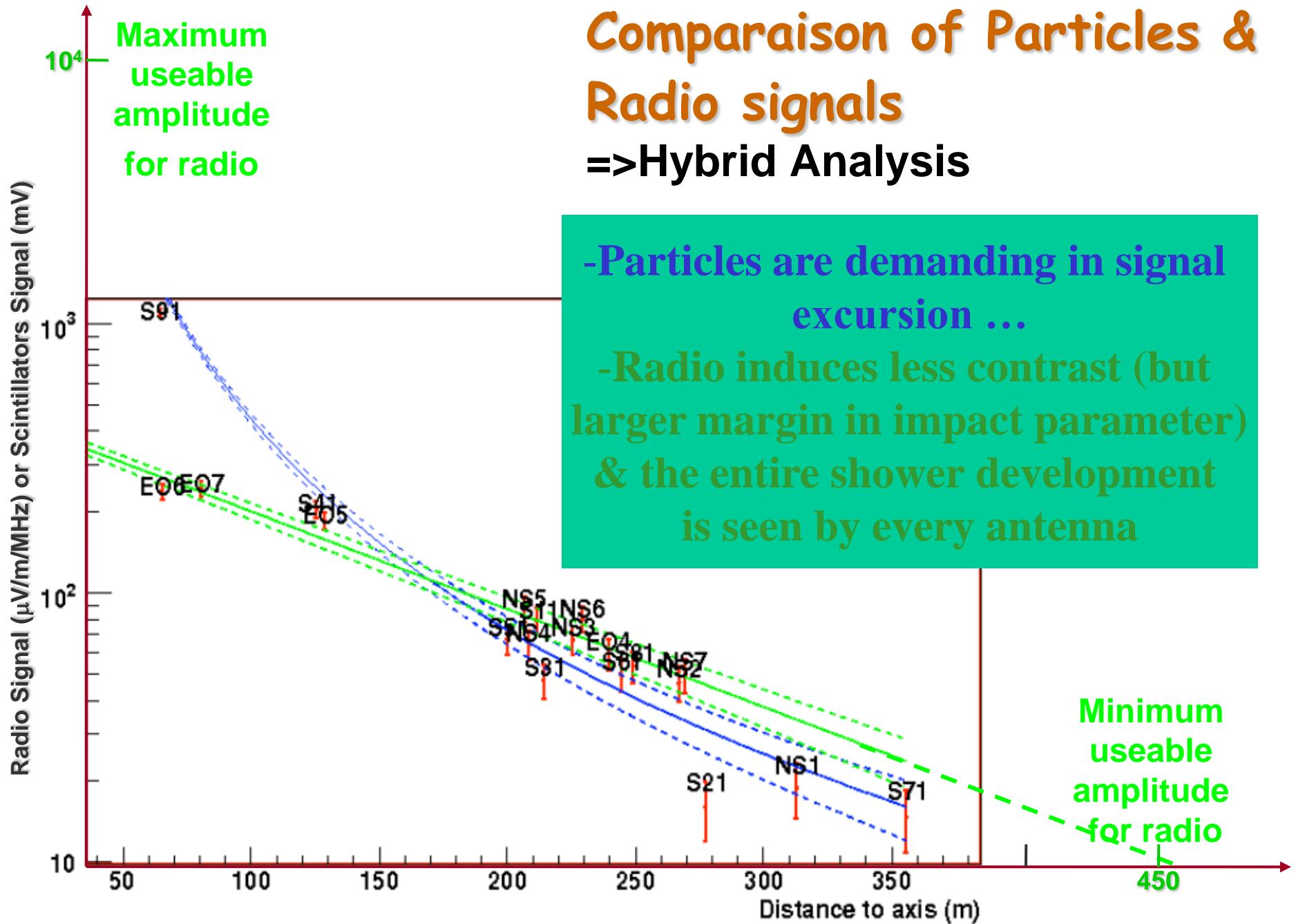
# Comprendre la variabilité des profils

=> Profils exponentiels?

-Effets d'environnement?  
=> Effets d'environnement faibles  
(thèse T.Garçon – déc. 2010)  
-Effet du primaire?



# Comparaison of Particles & Radio signals =>Hybrid Analysis

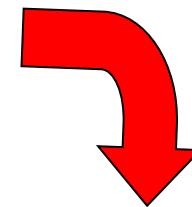
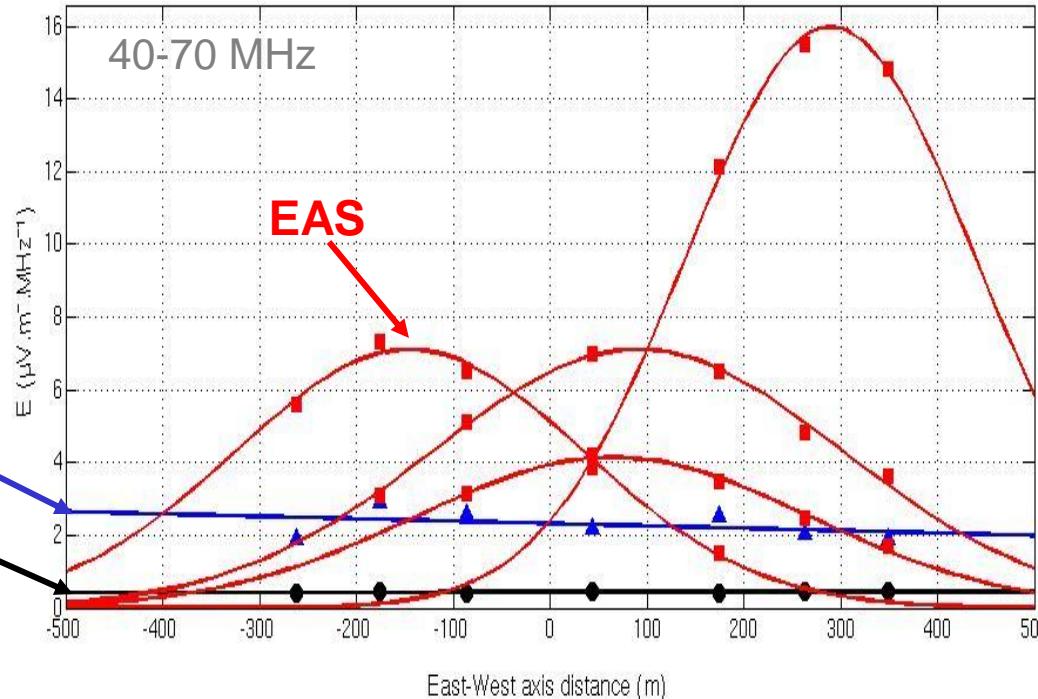


# Electric Field topologies

Variable antenna multiplicity (limited array)

The entire shower development  
is seen by every antenna

Far Transient  
Ground Noise

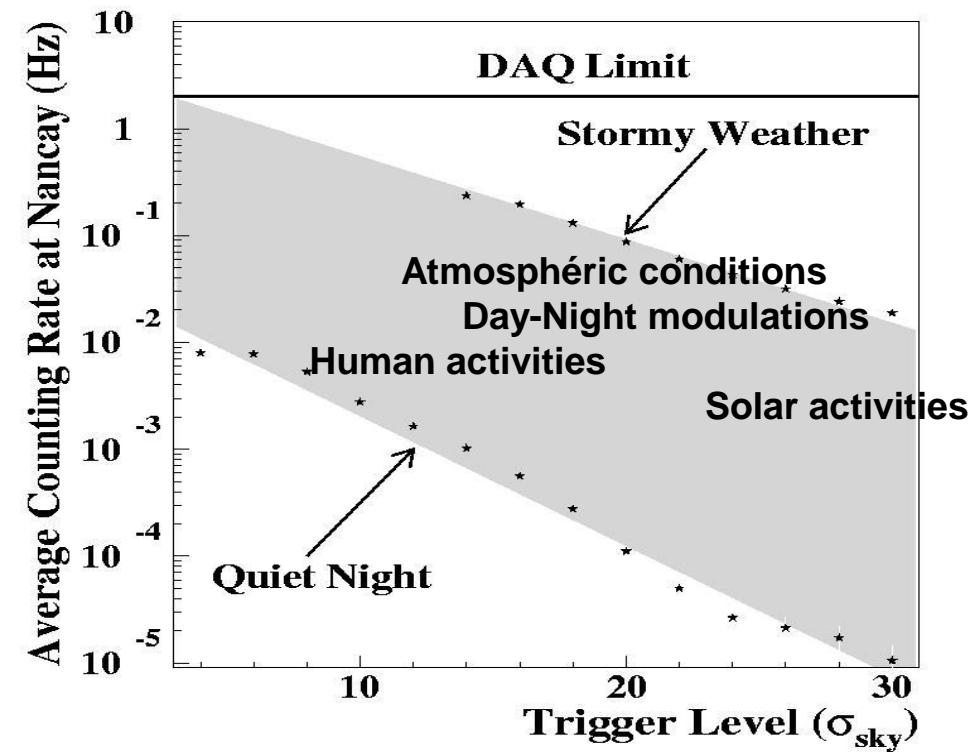


Free of  
particle  
ground  
density  
fluctuations

Field topology is a desive criterion of selection  
in stand alone mode

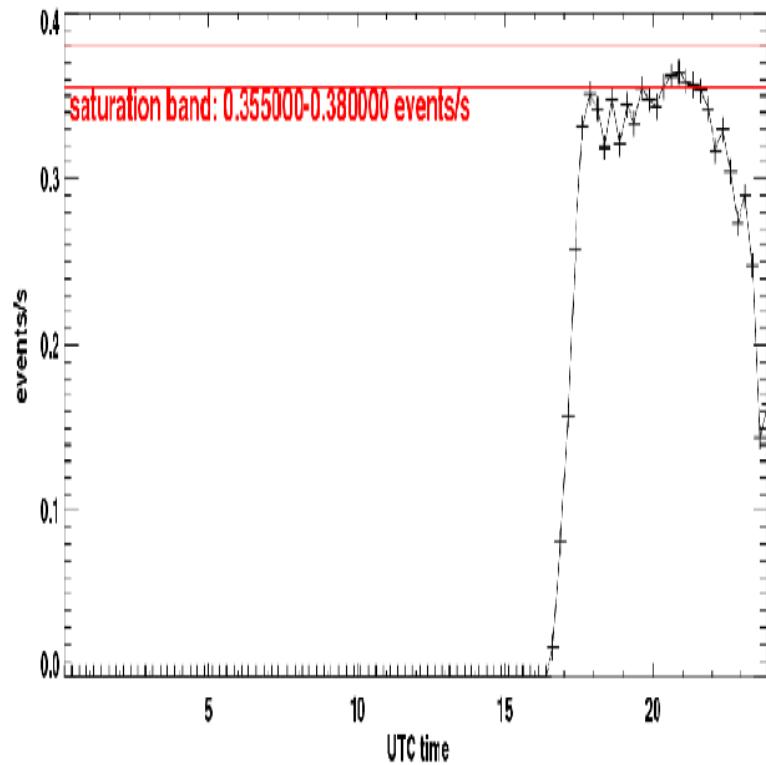
# Trigger capability & Transient background

2004 : Trigger rate in 33-65 band  
with 1 antenna @ Nancay



=> Triggering with  
antenna is possible  
in stand alone mode

2006 : Trigger rate in 50-70 band  
with 1 antenna @ PAO



Trigger Rates depend  
of the site (& of the  
frequency band)...

# Evolution of the sensor concepts from 2002 to 2009



**Log-Spiral  
Antennas (2005)**

Circular polarization  
Diameter = 5m  
Heigh = 6m

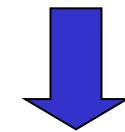


**Active Short (2006)  
Fat Dipoles**  
length = 1.21m  
height = 1m



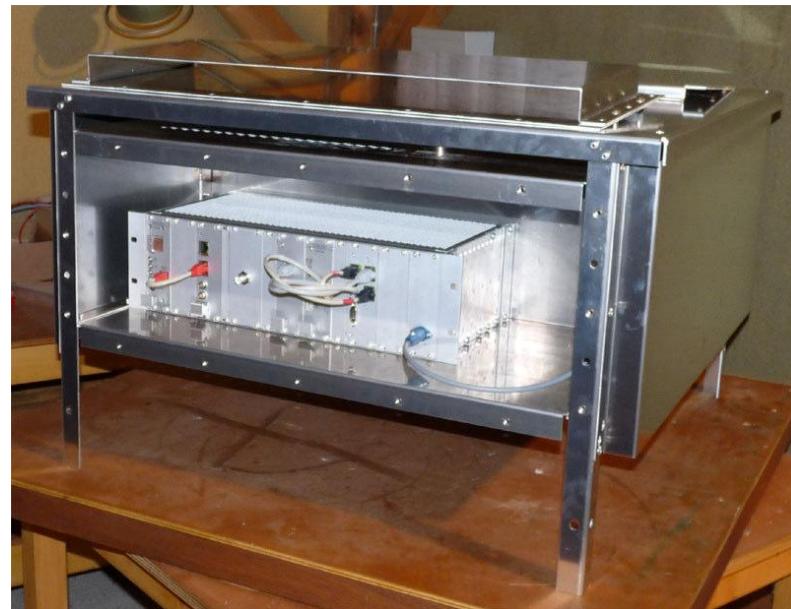
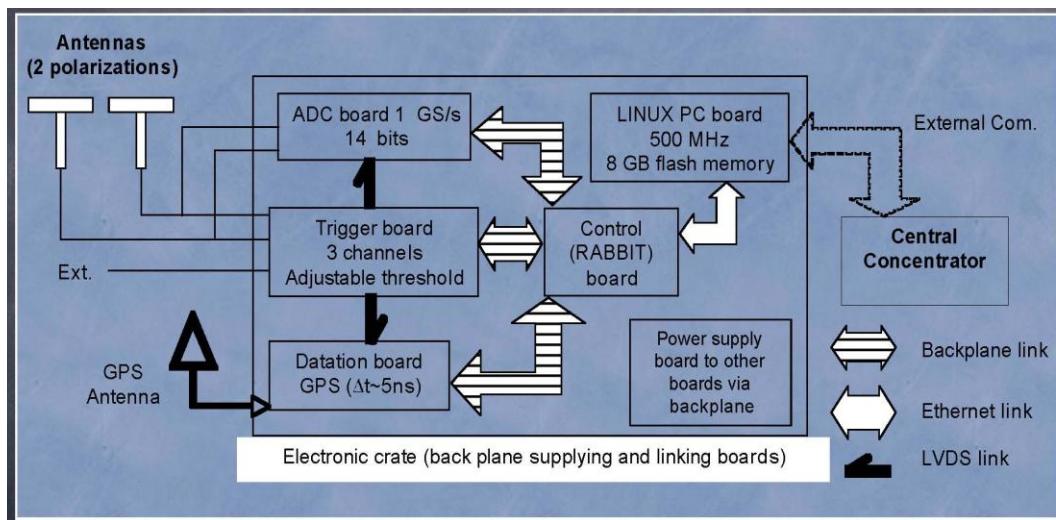
**Self-Contained  
Radio Station (2008)**

Multi polarization  
 $f_{\text{middle}} \sim 65 \text{ MHz}$   
length = 3.22m  
height = 1.40m



**3KE/station**

# Electronics



- 2 polarization states

- GPS timing resolution: 2.5 ns
- Trigger: @ galactic threshold
- Acq. rate: 25 evt/s

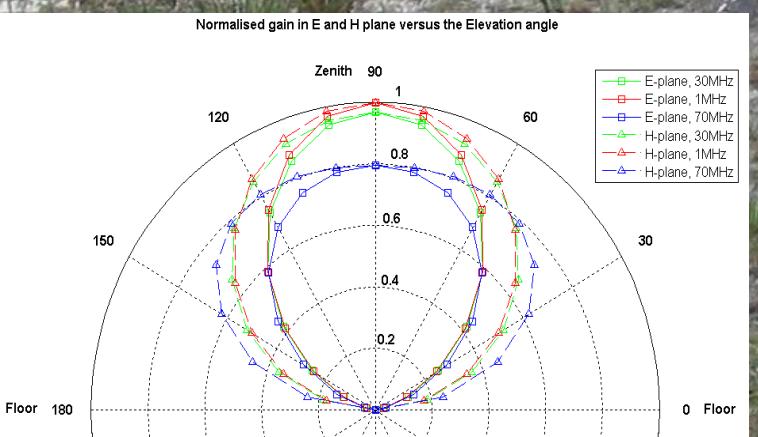
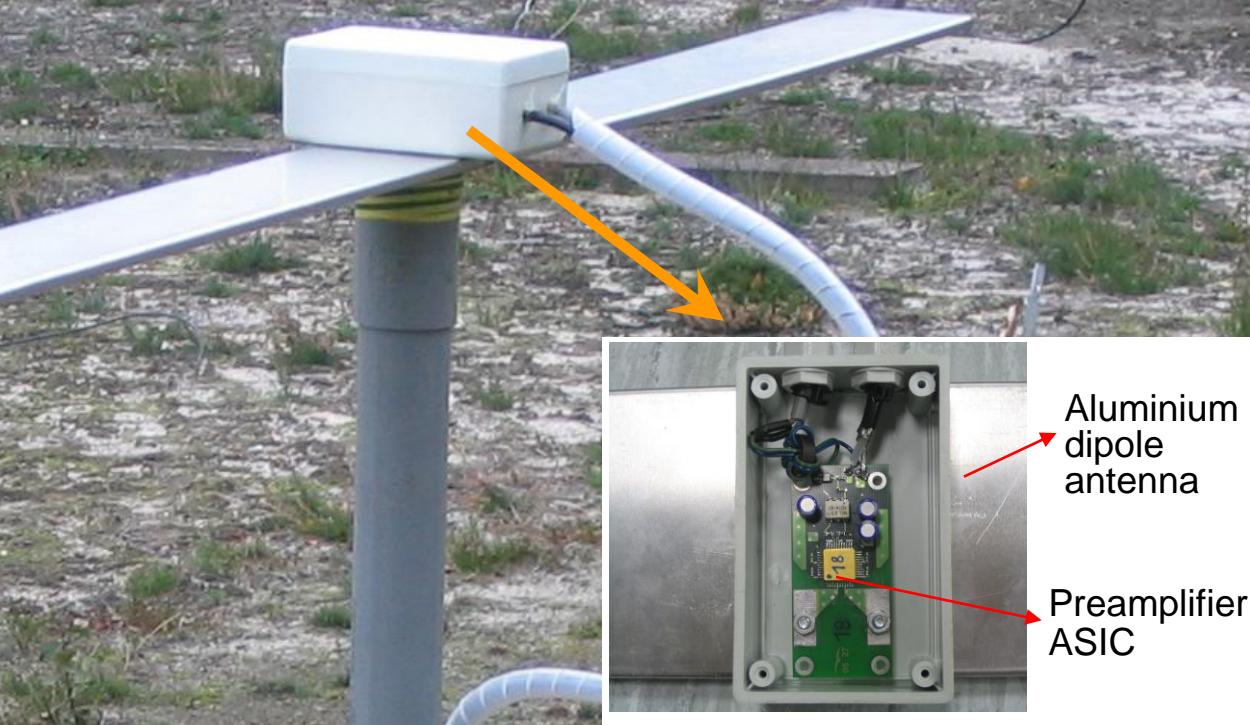
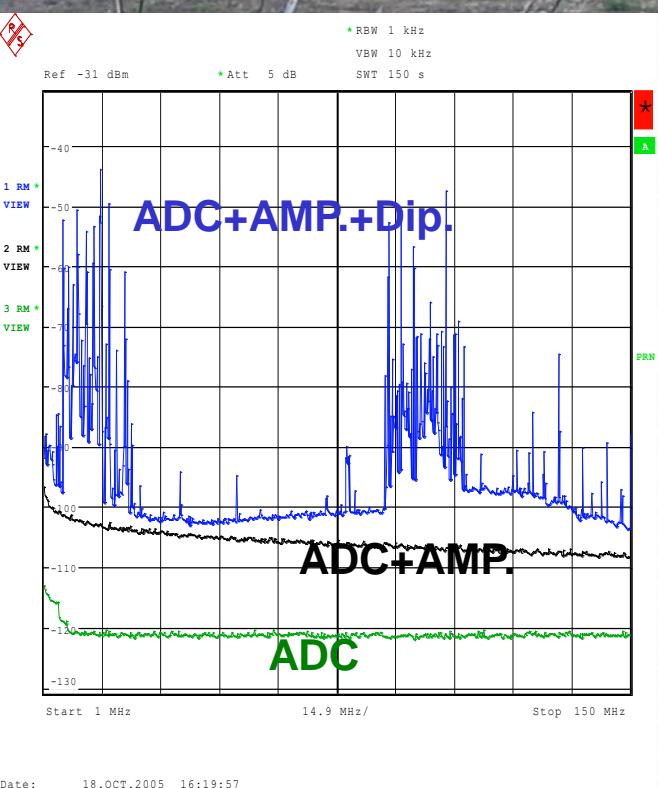
- + Open solutions for

- Outer world: WiFi, GSM, 3G, Ethernet...
- Power: Solar, Wind, 220V...
- Consumption: 20 W

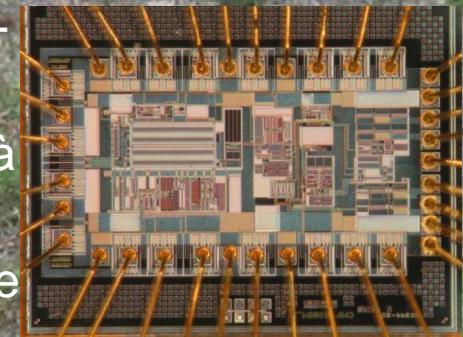
ADC+Alim.+ Backplane(LAL),  
Trigger+crate+integ.+ant. (SUBATECH),  
GPS(LAOB), Control(Nançay),  
PC+COM.(commercial)

- + Embedded mini-switch (housed in the inner box)
- + Embedded transformer 220-12V (housed in the outer box)  
for CODALEMA-Phase 3 @Nançay

# Développements Antennes-LNA



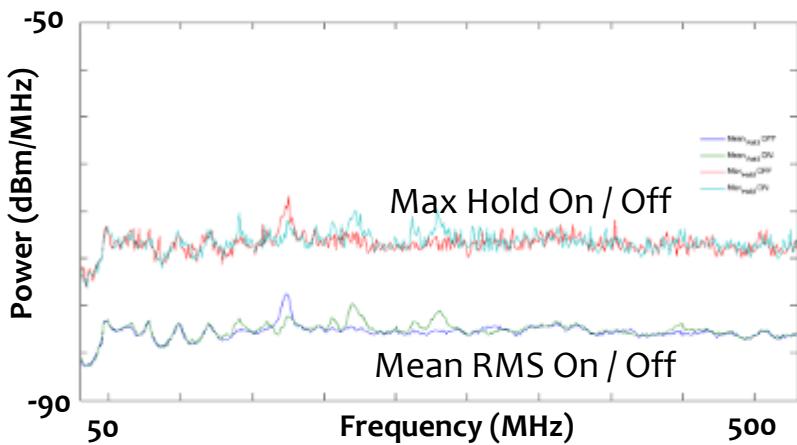
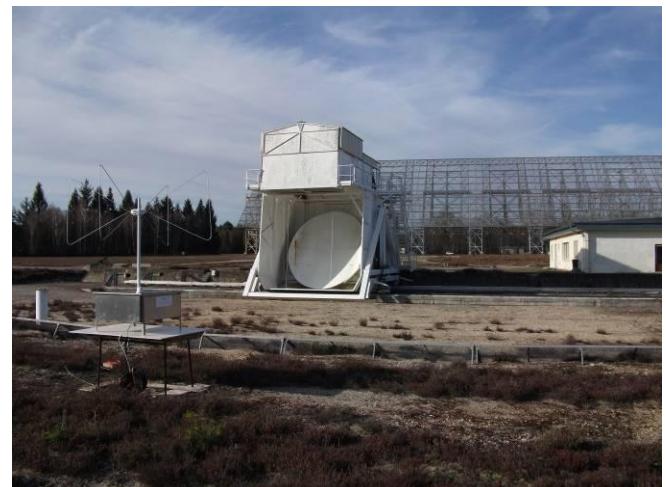
ASIC AMS BiCMOS  $0.8 \mu$   
Gain 48-55 dB,  $0.8 \text{ nV}.\text{Hz}^{-1/2}$ , 0-  
250 MHz  
PCB associé + filtrage adapté à  
chaque site  
Réponse de la chaîne maîtrisée



# Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC)

Tests of noise produced by the autonomous station :

- Antennas @ 1 m of the electronic box ( $0.8 \text{ nV} \cdot \text{Hz}^{-1/2}$ )
- anechoic chamber, radioheliograph array and radiotelescope measurements



- No noise radiated between 10 MHz and 4 GHz
  - No self-induced triggering
- ⇒ Green light for installation @ Nançay

# The Radiodetection constellation in 2010

Depuis 2001  
@Nançay & @FZK  
**CODALEMA & LOPES**  
UHECR  $\sim 10^{17}$  eV

~~2007@ARAGATS  
LPTA Montpellier  
 $\gamma \leq 10^{16}$  eV + Detection  
in near field  
3 ant.+ARAGATS  
2006@RT Nançay  
 $\gamma$  @ TeV~~

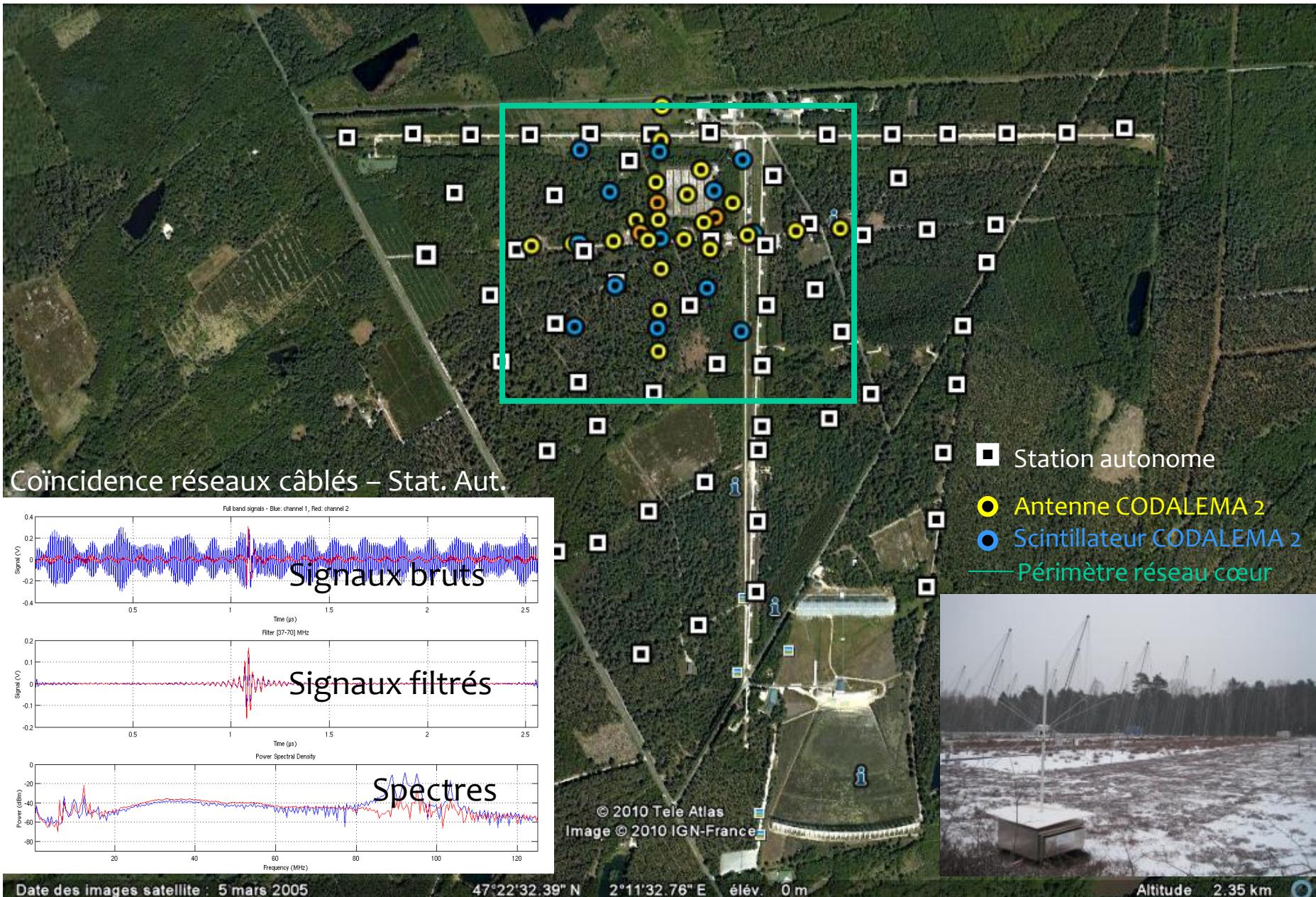
2006@AUGER  
UHECR  $\sim 10^{18}$  eV  
6 autonomous ant. + SD

2008@AUGER-AERA  
UHECR  $\sim 10^{18}$  eV  
20 km<sup>2</sup> autonomous  
ant.

In 2008@21CMA-TREND  
**Horizontal EAS**  
 $v_\tau \sim 10^{17}$  eV  
4 autonomous ant.

2009@AUGER  
UHECR  $\sim 10^{18}$  eV  
Free-Free emission in GHz  
**EASIER, MIDAS, AMBER**

# CODALEMA 3 : un réseau multi-échelle



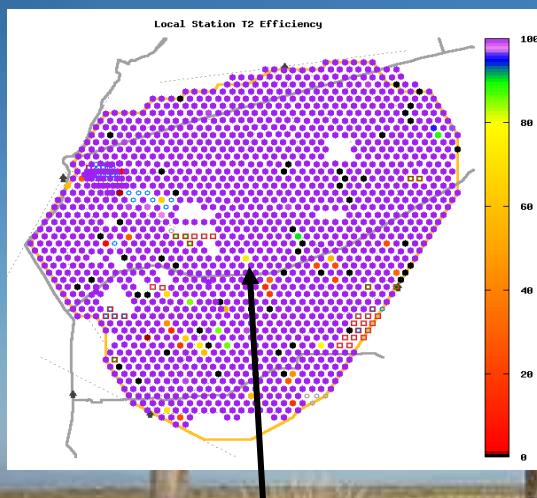
# **CODALEMA 3 (2011-2015) : de nouveaux instruments pour des analyses plus riches**

- **Déclenchement impulsional pour le DAM**
- **Expérience de radio détection en 3D (SUBATECH, LESIA-Nançay, CNET)**
  - Vol d'un ballon équipé d'une station autonome au dessus du réseau câblé CODALEMA.
  - Vers Novembre 2010 et en collaboration avec le CNES.
  - Mesure du champ électrique en 3D

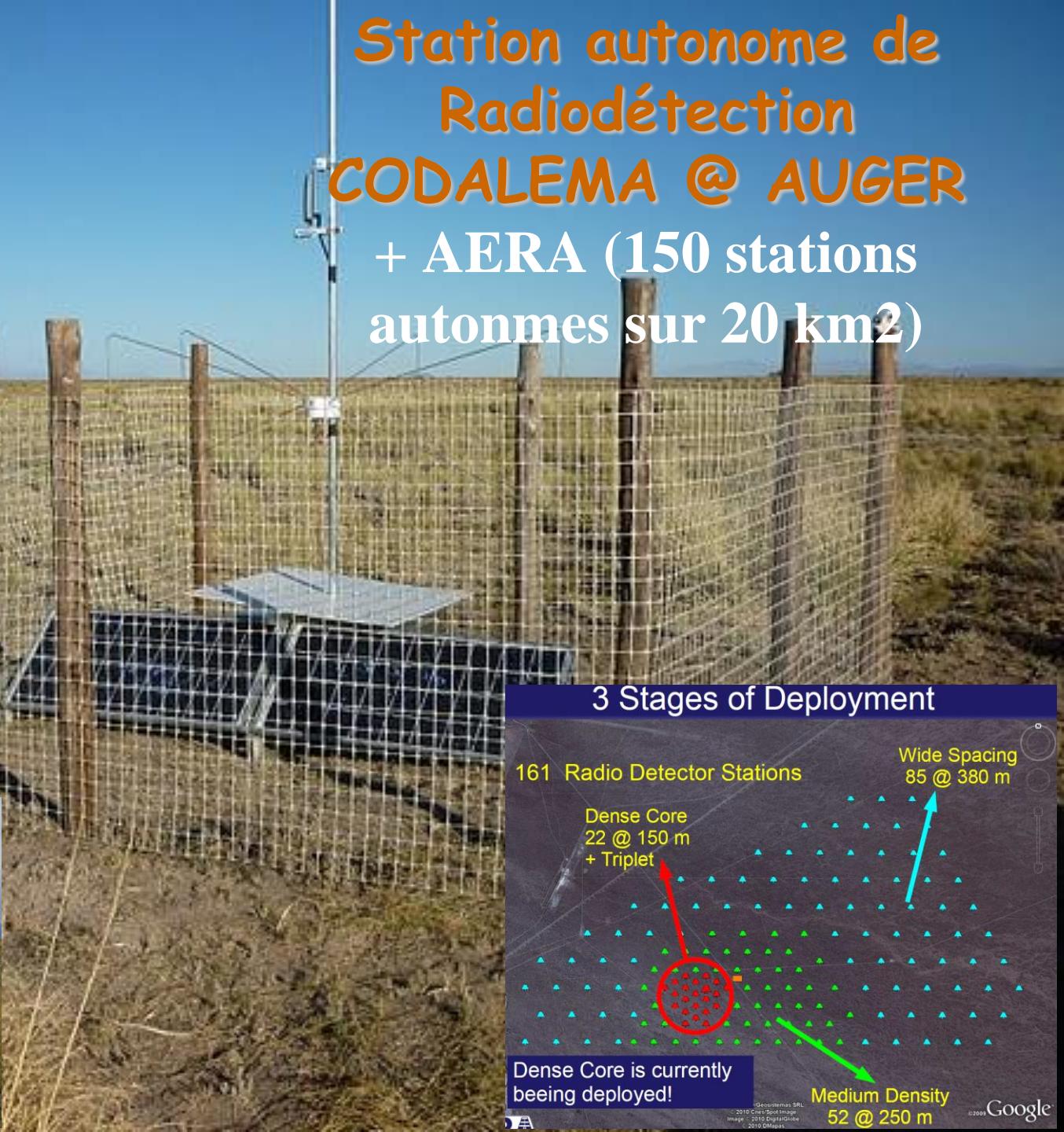
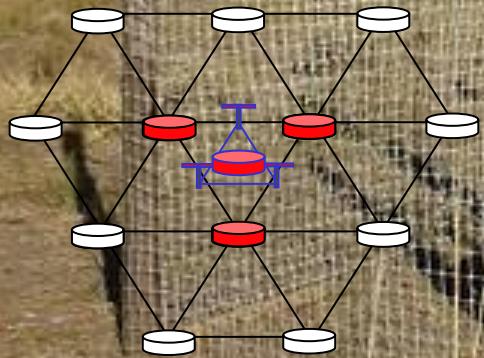


# Station autonome de Radiodétection CODALEMA @ AUGER

+ AERA (150 stations autonomes sur 20 km<sup>2</sup>)



CLF



3 Stages of Deployment

161 Radio Detector Stations

Dense Core  
22 @ 150 m  
+ Triplet

Wide Spacing  
85 @ 380 m

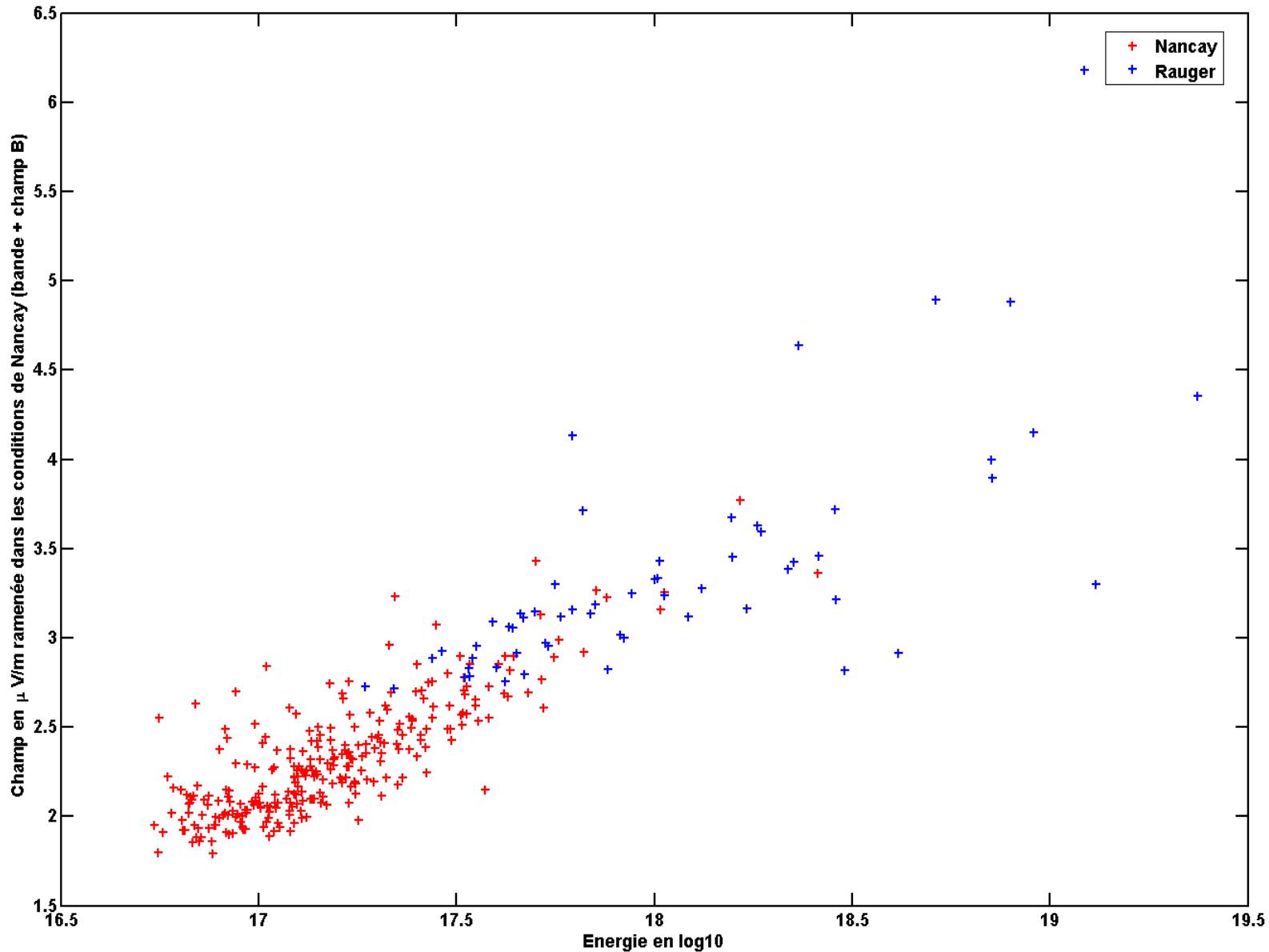
Dense Core is currently  
being deployed!

Medium Density  
52 @ 250 m

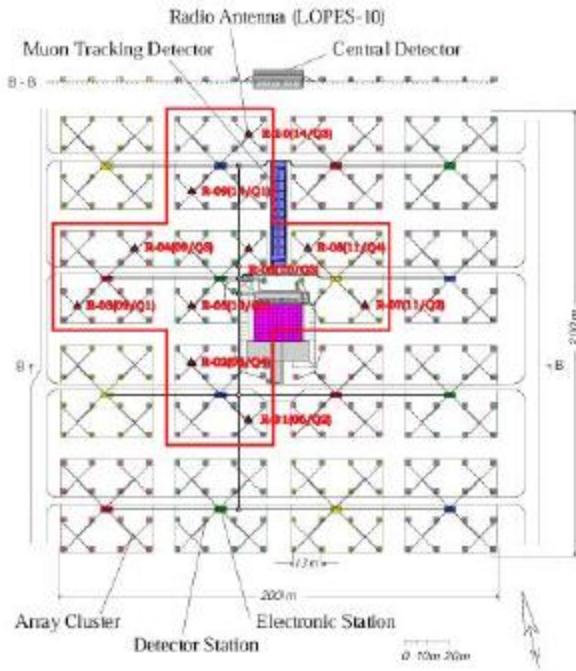
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# Un atout pour l'étalonnage en énergie ...



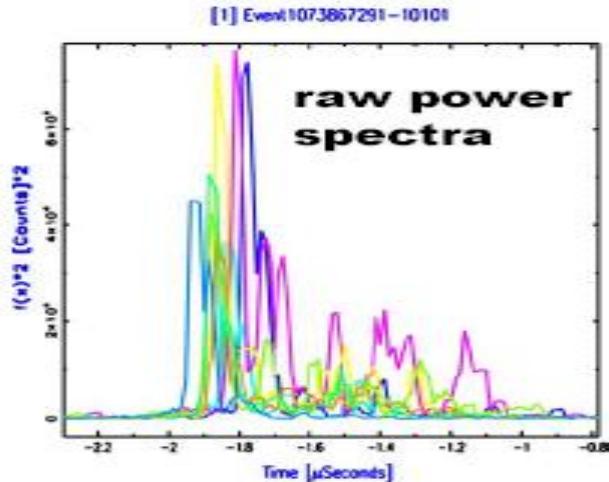
# LOPES



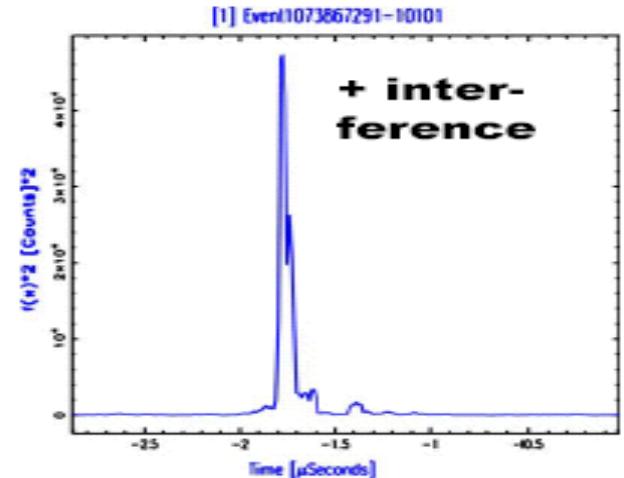
## 10 LOFAR antennas Trigger KASCADE



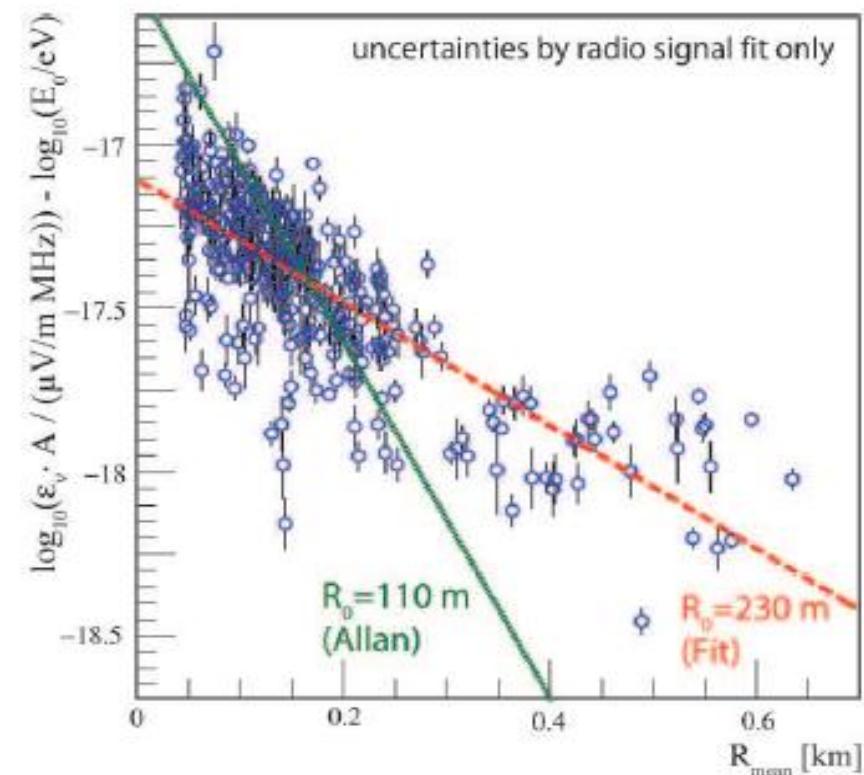
Bandwidth: 40-80 MHz + Sampling: 80 MS/s



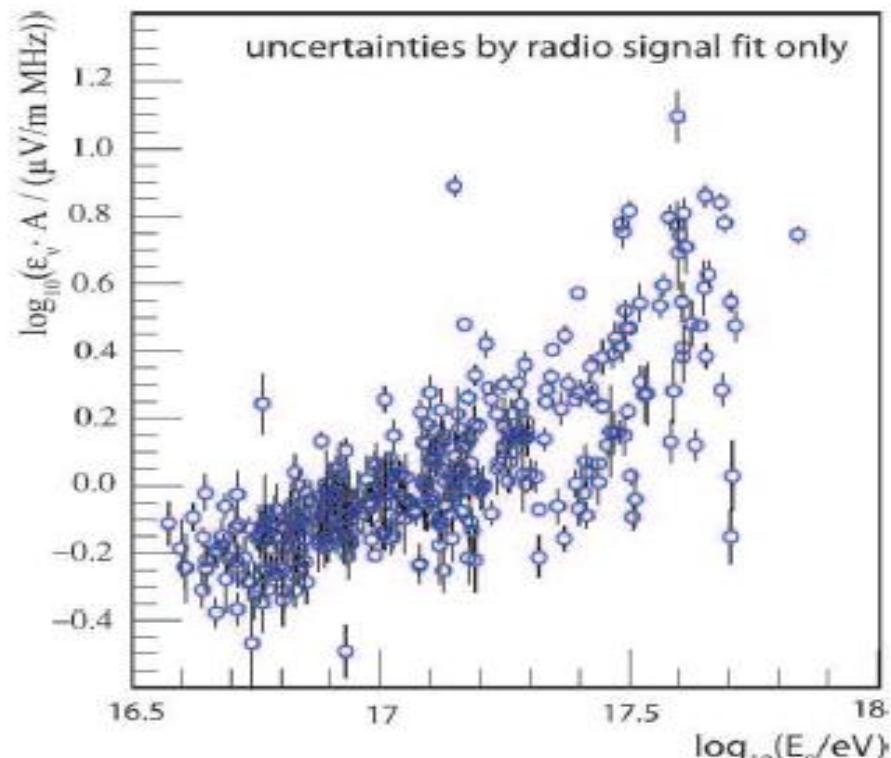
Numerical phasing  
→



# LOPES 10: Results with KASCADE-Grande



Correlation of the radio pulse height with the mean distance of the shower axis



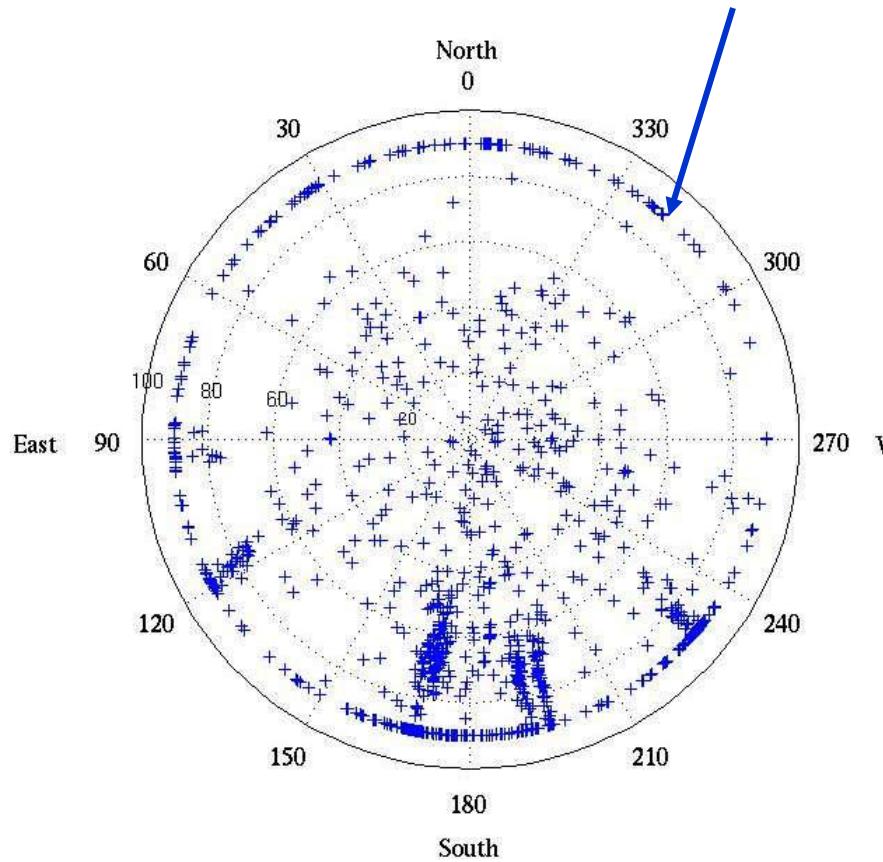
Correlation of the radio pulse height with the primary energy of the shower

$$\varepsilon_{\text{est}, E_p} = (12 \pm 1.8) \left[ \frac{\mu V}{m \text{ MHz}} \right] (1 + (0.1 \pm 0.03) - \cos(\alpha)) \cos(\theta) \\ \times \exp \left( \frac{-R_{SA}}{(200 \pm 45) m} \right) \left( \frac{E_p}{10^{17} \text{ eV}} \right)^{(0.91 \pm 0.07)}$$

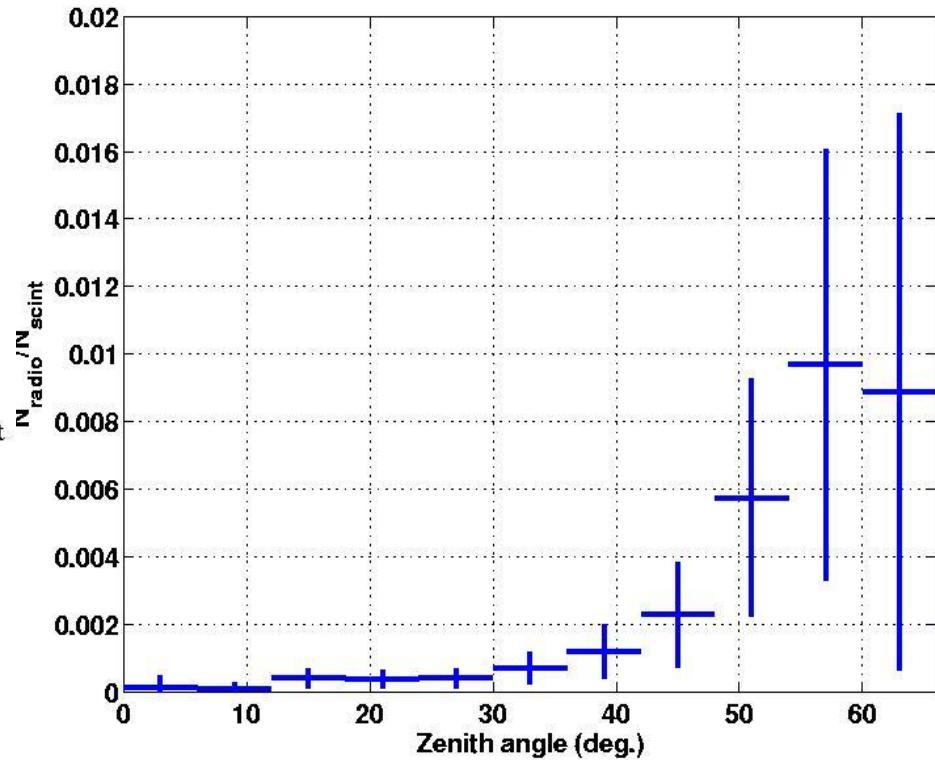
Norm  
consis  
MC sim

# Detection of horizontal EAS (2006)

Noise events in a  $2 \mu\text{s}$  window around  
the particle trigger  
(Anthropic + solar + storms + ....???)

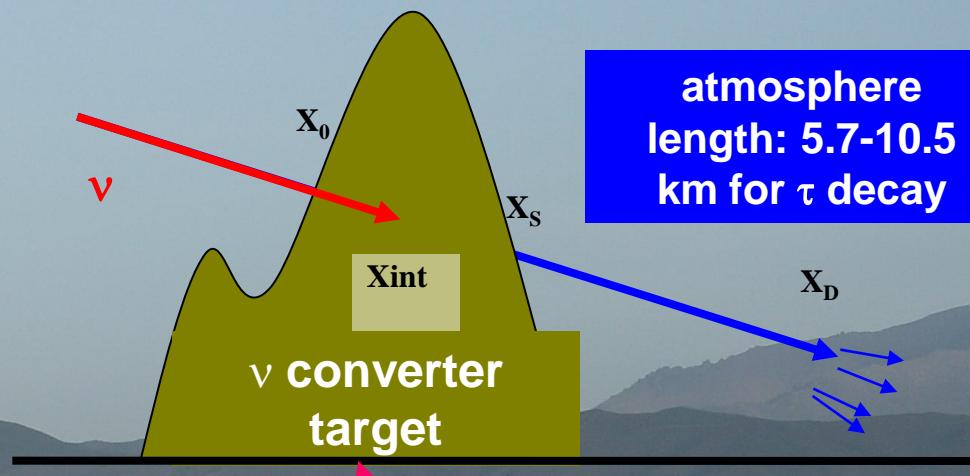
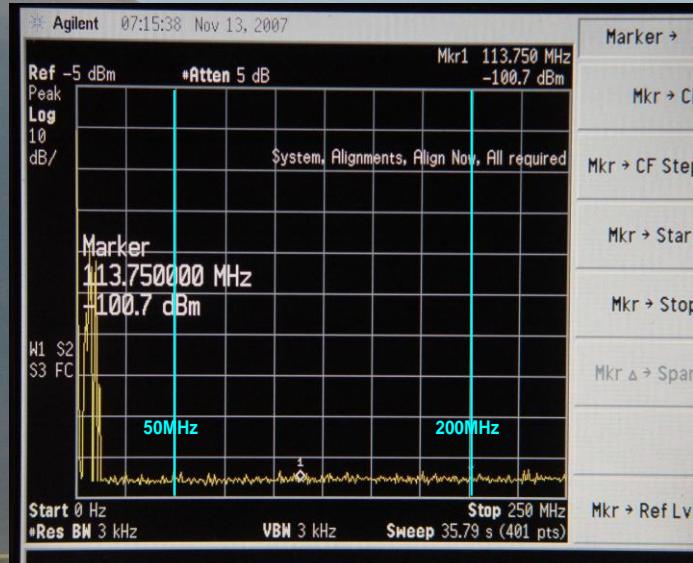


## Radio / Trigger Acceptance



Radio-detection could be in nature adapted to  
the detection of atmospheric neutrinos ?

# Tests @ 21CMA (TREND) observation of UHE neutrinos showers



Target & shield volume :  
20 000 km<sup>3</sup>  
year - exposure :  $\sim 2 \cdot 10^{-20}$  cm<sup>2</sup>. s

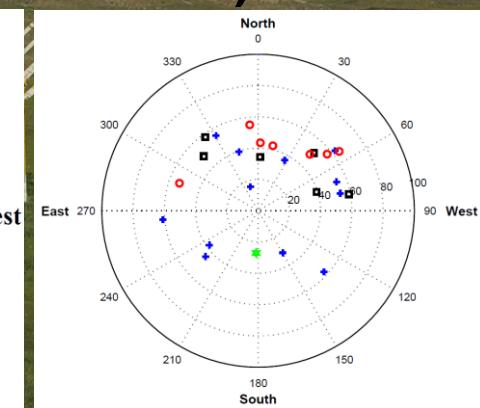
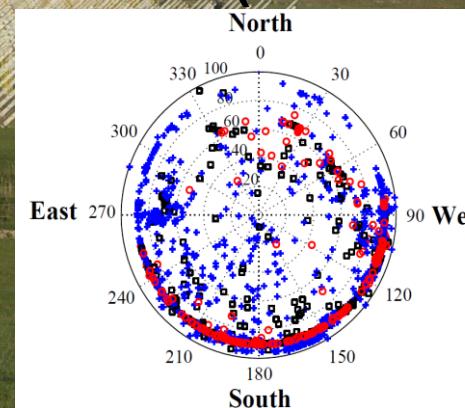
10287 (50-200 MHz)

log-periodic antennas  
2 arms (4km NS +3km EW)



Banc de test:

- Techniques de détection & d'analyse différentes
- Gerbes inclinées



# Molecular Bremsstrahlung

(Phys Rev D78 032007)

## Geo-Magnetic-Radiation Model

Electrons+Positrons  $O(10\text{MeV})$

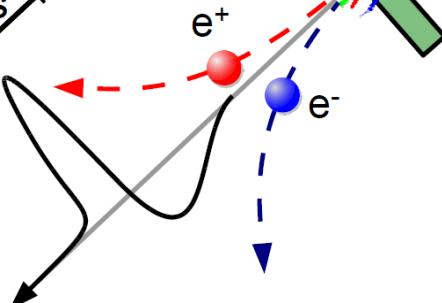
Coherent emission  $\sim 1\text{-}100 \text{ MHz}$

Radio Pulse Power:

$$\propto N_e^2$$

$$\propto E_{\text{Primary}}^2$$

$$t \sim 20 \text{ ns}$$



Thermal Electrons:  $O(\text{eV})$

Collision with air molecules

Radio Emission:

GHz frequency range

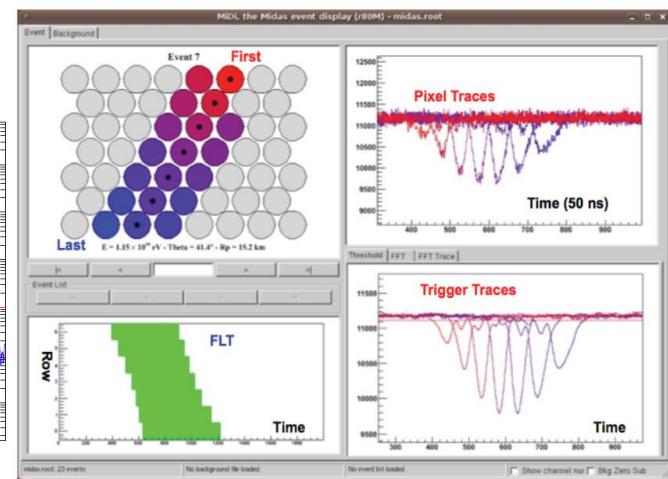
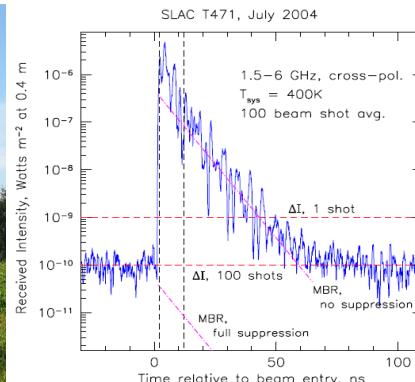
Isotropic in all directions

**Molecular Bremsstrahlung**

## Imager MIDAS – AMBER (AUGER)



## Calorimetric EASIER (AUGER)

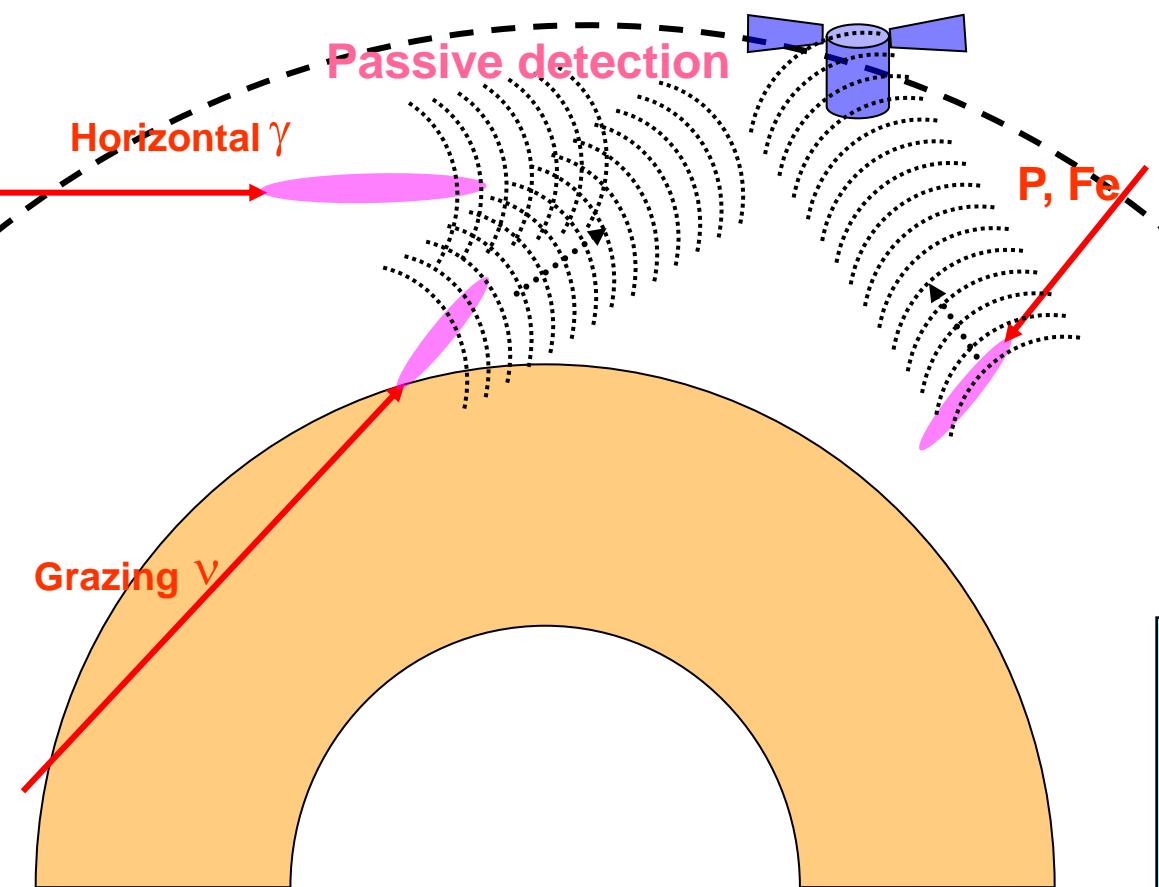


## Radio-detection of UHERC from Space An Outlook

P. LAUTRIDOU GDR-PCHE/EUSO 14/05/04

# Detection of molecular excitations from the ionized trail

Showers in the low atmosphere  
Detection of grazing  $\nu$ , p, Fe, horizontal  $\gamma$



## Molecular Bremsstrahlung emission

$4\pi$  emission

Characteristic of the motion of  
non relativistic charges

Wide band Continuum MHz-100  
GHz

H<sub>2</sub>O emission line at 22 GHz  
From CO<sub>2</sub>, NO, OH, ...  
(upper atmosphere)

Tuned antennas  
Already used in radioastronomy  
(ALMA, SKA)

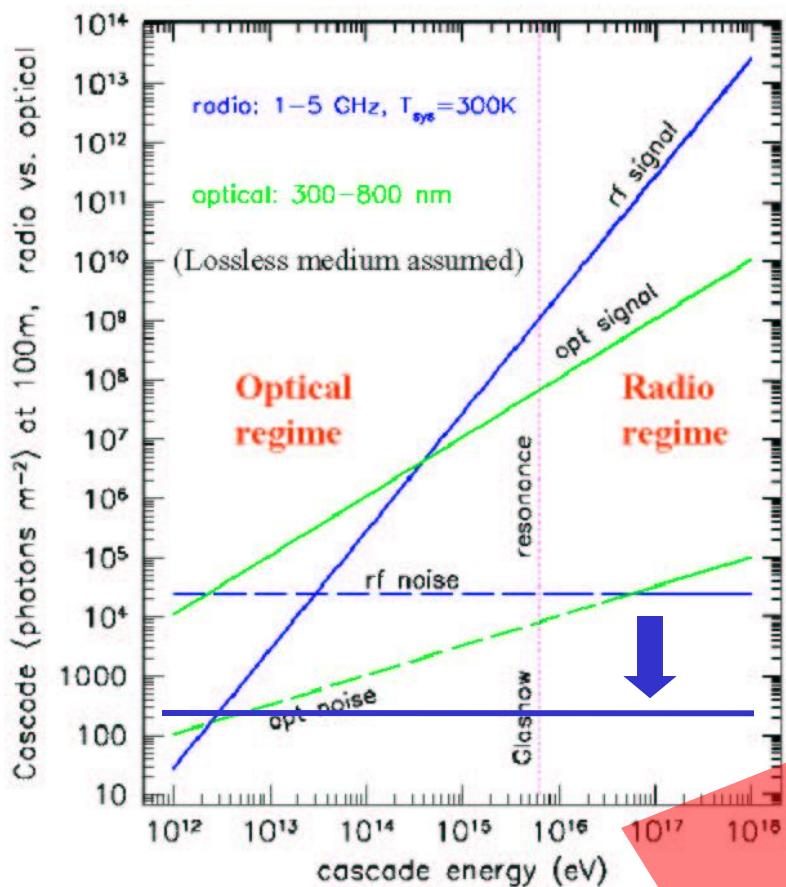
### QUESTIONS:

Life time of the ionized trail  
(< 100 ns ?, ms ?)

Absorption ?

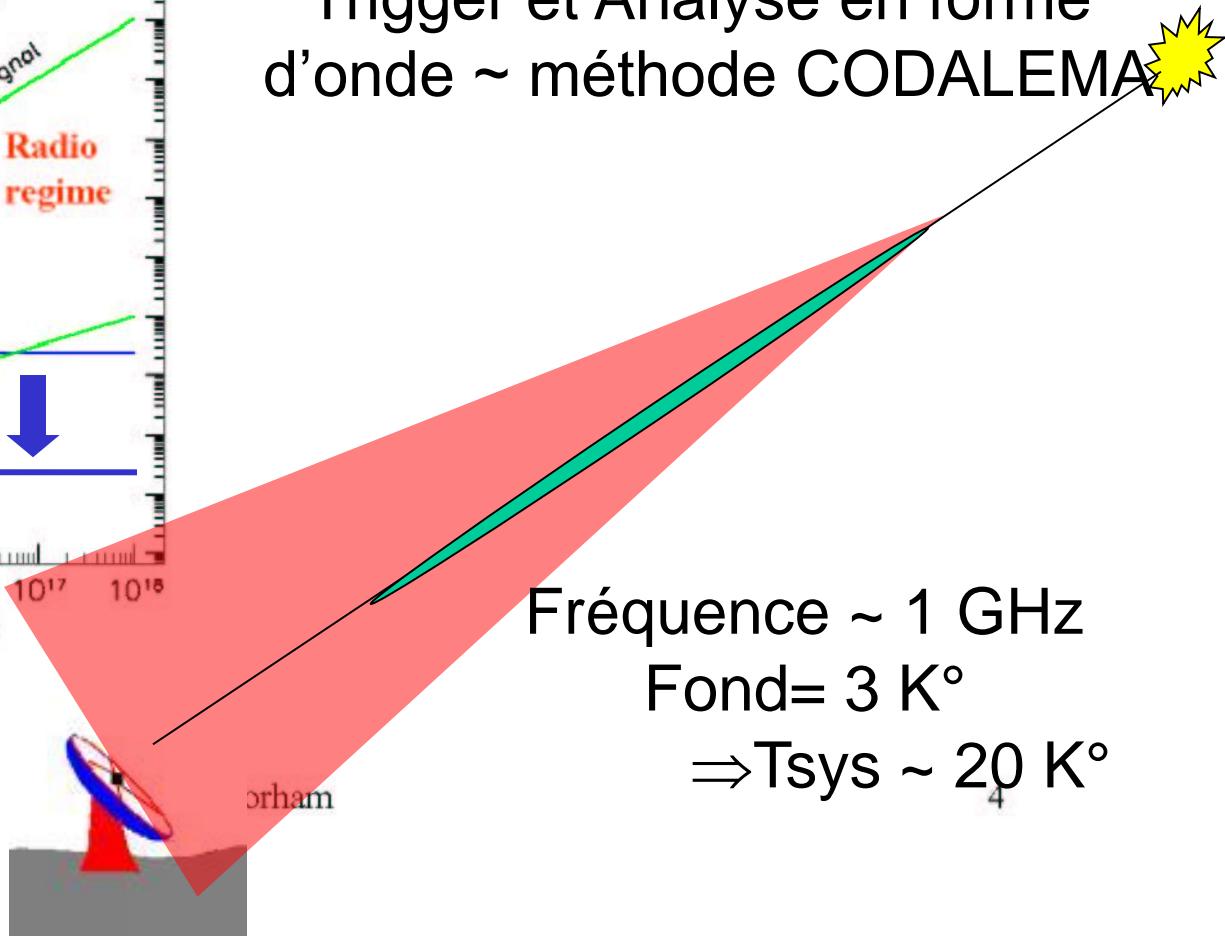
# Radio-Détection à la HESS vers $10^{12}$ eV ?

Télescope pointé (~mn d'arc @ RT de Nançay)



Détection du transitoire Č radio  
Trigger et Analyse en forme  
d'onde ~ méthode CODALEMA

Fréquence  $\sim 1$  GHz  
Fond= 3 K°  
 $\Rightarrow T_{\text{sys}} \sim 20$  K°



# Epilogue

- 2002-03: Principle of detection & triggering
- 2004-05: EAS recognition, Arrival direction, Core location
- 2006-07: Detector performances, Field topology, Threshold, Efficiency
- 2007-08: Emission process, Energy calibration
- 2009 : Autonomous detection
- 2010-XXXX : Nature of the primary ?

=>Analysis and detection methods are in stage of stabilization (see also LOPES results)

=>Theoretical developments must now be conducted at the end...

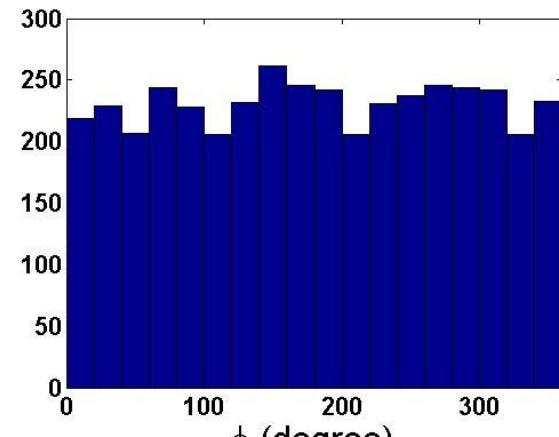
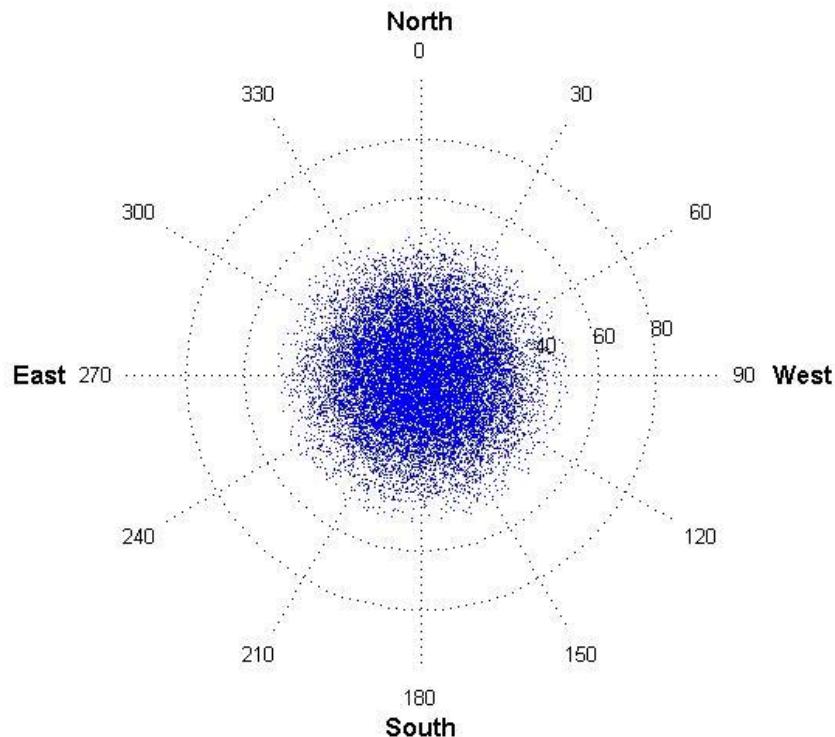
=>It has entered a phase of detailed studies of the radio emission...

=>EAS radio detection is not far from being ready for intensive use...

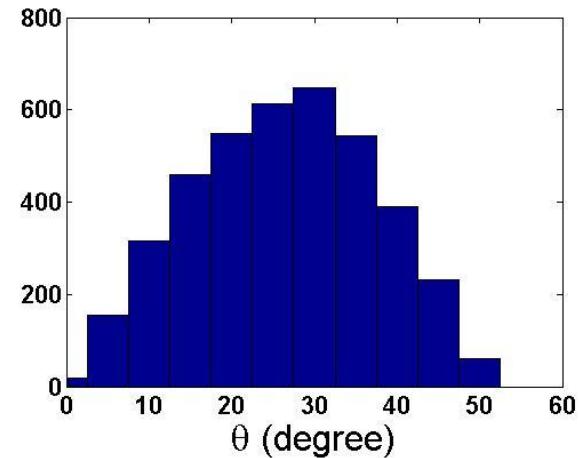
=>The crippling handicap of the 60's was lifted in 2008...

# Scintillator distributions (internal)

Shower arrival direction calculated with the scintillator data



Azimuthal distribution



Zenithal distribution  
Limited at  $\theta < 50^\circ$

Shower energy deduced from scintillator data  
(CIC method, precision 30 %)

=> Energy threshold  $\sim 10^{15}$  eV

# Radio-particles time & Arrival direction coincidences (for $\geq 3$ antennas flagged)

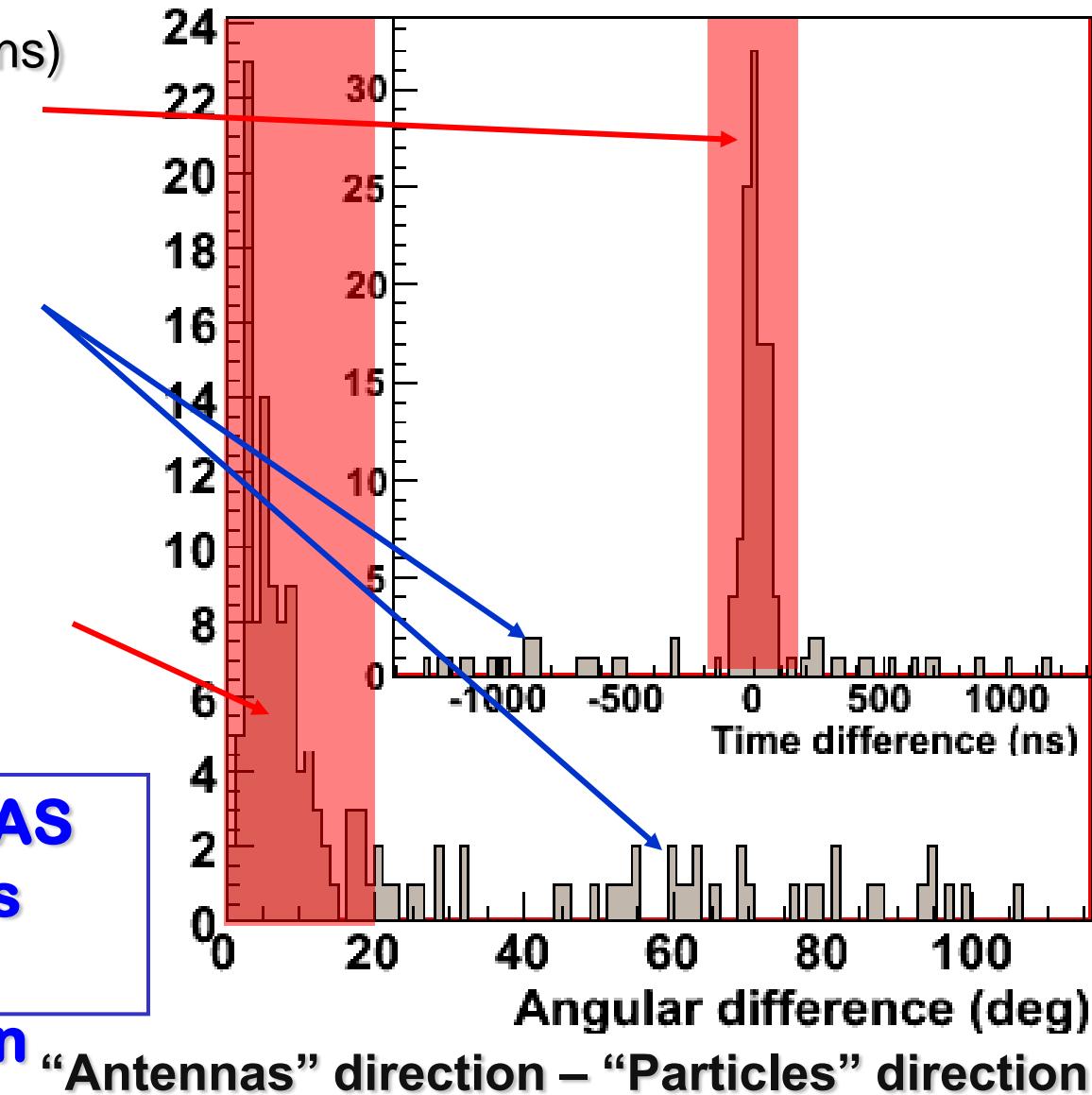
Sharp peak (< 100ns)

= EAS candidates

Flat distribution

= fortuitous events

$\sin(\Delta\alpha) \cdot \text{Gaussian}$   
 $\Rightarrow \sigma = 4^\circ$



**Reconstruction of EAS arrival directions is proved via Radio-Detection**

"Antennas" direction – "Particles" direction