# Cherenkov Telescope Array (CTA) Project

An advanced facility for ground-based gamma-ray astronomy

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### **Toward CTA**

### **Next generation VHE gamma ray facility**

#### MAGIC Phase II (MAGIC-I + MAGIC-II)



HESS Phase II (HESS + 28m Telescope) in 2011



### Astronomers in EU

### JAPAN, US

### ~900 scientists / 100 institutions





# Rich Physics is waiting for CTA ! --> 1000 sources

### Large Size Telescope (LST) in CTA Project leadership: MPI Munich





North: Canaries / Mexico / US

South: Namibia / Argentina



LST 23m





MST 10-12m





SST 4-6m



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Two stations for all sky observatory



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MST 10-12m





SST 4-6m

# MPI The Large Size Telescope



# Science case of LST











High redshift AGNs (z<3) GRBs (z<10)

Pulsars

Binaries and transients

- LST is optimized in the energy range between 20 200 GeV
- Low energy threshold
  - Trigger threshold: 15-20 GeV
  - Analysis threshold: 20-30 GeV
- Key physics cases:
  - High-redshift AGNs and GRBs
  - Binaries, Pulsars and other type of transients at low energy

# **Pulsar physics**

- Pulsars seem to have high energy tails (not explained by theory)
- CTA will see several pulsars
- Connection between pulsar and pulsar wind nebula ?



### Crab (MAGIC)







# Gamma ray bursts

2 FERMI GRBs > 30 GeV

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### CTA Monte Carlo: Expected Light curve + Spectrum for GRB at z=4.3

CTA performance study by S.Inoue, Y.Inoue, T.Yamamoto, et al



### Specifications/Requirements of LST Designed by MPI Munich

- Diameter: 23m
- Dish area: 400 m<sup>2</sup>
- F/D = 1.2, F=28m
- FOV = 4.5 degrees,
  Pixel size = 0.1 degrees
  (1800~2300ch camera)
- Fast rotation: <180 deg/20 sec</li>
- Dish profile: parabolic → isochronicity:
  <0.6 ns peak to peak</li>
- Camera sagging & oscillation:
  - < 1 pixels
  - → Active oscillation damping by LAPP IN2P3









# Solutions for thick CF tubes in understructure





# Ready for Testing

cta

### **T-Igel-Solution**



T-IGEL® Verbindung



T-IGEL® teilweise eingeflochten



T-IGEL® vollständig eingeflochten



Ausgehärtete CFK-Welle

Light-weight dish can be lifted by crane 23m telescope SPECS: Mirror Area: 410 m<sup>2</sup> Focal length: 28 (f/d  $\approx$  1.2) Weight ≈ 50-60 tons **Dish: 8 tons** 8.5 tons --> Fast rotation for GRBs Carbon fibre

Extremely robust structure Withstand storm (200 km/h) - Wind load at the order of 60-70 t on dish and from the side on the space frame --> Pressure on boggies (up to 75t and about 25t uplift) !

--> Windshield







# Boggies, rails, central axis, IFAE Barcelona

- 6 Boggies/rail system
- Up to 60-75t load under tower
- 40t load for the other boggies
- > 0.1 rad/sec^2 acceleration without sliding
- Clamping and protection against uplift



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# LST 23m size mirror reflector: Masahiro Teshima





Wavelength (nm)





### Self weight dish deformation and mirror misalignment





z = -11.9





# Active mirror control: MPI

- Need to adjust mirrors for changing zenith angle
- Need to adjust thermal expansion
- Adjust minute deformations due to wind
- Fast response (5-10 minutes)











# Optical axis reference beam and AMC adjustment: MPI

 Use infrared lasers for AMC on target next to camera

 AMC: Focus mirrors with respect to lasers (optical axis) continuously every 5-10 minutes, no usage of lookup tables (only as backup)

 Measure the focal length with a precision of better than 0.5 cm (readjust AMC with new focal length to keep the spot sharp)

 Measure x,y camera position with LED (in comparison with laser spot) to record camera sagging and sidewards movements due to wind gusts

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# Arc design (LAPP) (+ camera frame)

- Single curves CF tubes
  3-4 sections each side
- Stiff light weight CF cables



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Camera design, camera body and Cooling: Project lead: IFAE Barcelona, several institutes in Spain



Sealed Camera (MAGIC-II camera)

CTA Camera Size: 2.5 m Weight: 2 tons # of Ch: 1855 ch Heat: ~ 5kWatt

# Water cooling System MPI Munich





Cluster Prototype by CTA-Japan (R.Orito: #1091)

7PMTs CW HV system Pre-Amplifier DRS-4 readout system (4µsec) G-bit ethernet



### PMT Development: Hamamatsu & ETE Razmik Mirzoyan, MPI



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the customer's specific requirements.







#### R11920-100-01 (with HA+Mu)



### **Development of Light guides: Razmik Mirzoyan, MPI**







# Outline of schedule of LST design and construction

- Baseline design report: November 2011
- Prototyping of important elements until October 2012, finalizing design
- Prototype report: November 2012
- Start of production of LST elements : November 2012 !! (Dish, understructure, arc, boggies, etc.)
- Final design document: August/September 2013
- Factory tests until June 2014
- Shipping: June/July 2014
- Start of construction of prototype LST on-site: August 2014
- Commissioning March 2015

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### Conclusions

- MPI is the leading institute for the development and construction of the large 23m telescope
- Collaboration with institutes in Spain and France
- Energy threshold 15-20 GeV
- Telescope shall be optimized for the lowest possible energies
- Start of construction August 2014

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# The end

### Demonstration of Active Oscillation Damping System for the LST Arch by LAPP IN2P3





### Rich physics in low energy range (>10-20 GeV): Unexplored physics !!



GRBs



AGN & UHECR Sources



#### **Dark Matter Annihilation**



Pulsars



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EBL

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LBLs



### **Clusters of galaxies**





### GRB 080916C Fermi results +CTA simulation

- normalize to GBM light curve
- extrapolate GBM+LAT spectra with Y. Inoue EBL
- simulate with
  D. Mazin's tool
- T. Yamamoto, Y. Inoue & R. Yamazaki

### Fermi: 1 gamma > 30 GeV





Cost estimates for baseline LST structure without camera --> still first guess

- CF Tubes for dish and undercarriage + MERO work:1.4 1.6 Mio
- Mast + damping system: 150k 200k
- Drive (Bogeys, Rails, Barings, Chains, Motors, Electronics, etc.): 350-500k
- Foundation: 380-450k
- Transport + Installation + Access Tower: 200k 380k
- Mirrors + Installation: 920k 1410k
- AMC + Installation: 260k 350k
- Site preparation + Power grid to telescopes: 200k
- AOB + Safety Equipment + Emergency park system: 200 300k
- Total: 4.1 5.4 Mio (Average 4.7 Mio)
- + 20% Contingency: 5.0 6.5 Mio (About 6.0 Mio) Thomas Schweizer, MPI Project review, December 2011



# Mirrors must be cheap and good quality/ high reflectivity









Replica techniques (thin glas sheet on honeycomb structure with aluminized surface), are a cheap possibility, while diamond milled surfaces have a longer life time





### High QE photosensors we need 200K PMs





R9420 (QE=34%)

DYNODE



GaAsP HPD (MPI & Hamamatsu): 50% PDE PDE~30-40%

Perkin-Elmer- Dolgoshein

Size 5x5 mm<sup>2</sup> PDE~50-60%



be realistic

**SiPM** 

MPI-HLL SiMPL PDE~60%(target)

About 60% effective PDE will

Hamamatsu SBA 34% QE ==> 30% PDE

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### High QE photosensors we need 200K PMs



Perkin-Elmer- Dolgoshein

45mm

PDE~30-40%

Size 5x5 mm<sup>2</sup>

PDE~50-60%

**MPI-HLL SIMPL** 

PDE~60%(target)







GaAsP HPD (MPI & Hamamatsu): 50% PDE

SiPM About 60% effective PDE will be realistic

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## **CTA readout Electronics**

- NECTAr project (SAMOSO chip) (development of new analog capacitor array)
- Dragon project
  (Domino Ringsampler 4 700 Mhz bandwidth, Ethernet output
- Fully digital camera (sampling the signal with commercial 60-200 Mhz FADC and processing with FPGAs, including the trigger)



Possible layout for NECTAr (courtesy F.Toussenel) Only 1 PCB/ 7, 8 or 16 channels



## Differential Sensitivity of 4 x LSTs



Below 200GeV LSTs will have a good sensitivity


# **Observation technique**

## The Imaging Cherenkov





#### Gamma event: Signal



#### Hadronic event: Background





## The Imaging Cherenkov







Better background reduction Better angular resolution Better energy resolution

## Design and layout: Telescope Array



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### High sensitivity, small region

## Design and layout: Telescope Array

## -300 mSingle telescope



### High sensitivity, larger region per telescope



# CTA observation modes: Deep field

### Deep field

Highest sensitivity observation



## CTA observation modes: high flexibility

### 1/3 array Deep field



Permanent monitoring of some AGN

--> ToO-triggers on huge flares

1 telescope Monitor 4 telescopes Monitor



## CTA observation modes: survey mode

### Wide FOV Scan



### Systematic scan of some good part of the sky

### 200 GeV - 10 TeV energy range: High sensitivity and better angular resolution: Galactic sources



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## Future: Multiwavelength astronomy: Mrk421 SED



## 2 Fermi GRB Gammas: up to 30 GeV



### Why Low Energy Threshold? Distant AGN, GRB









### Steep spectra AGN: LBL, FSRQ & high redshift (z<2.0) AGN

- The extension of CTA to low energies will uncover many soft and steep spectrum AGN
- ~200 AGN (z<2.0) with CTA Threshold energy some 10 GeV to be free from EBL absorption







## **EBL carries cosmological information**

SNe: Knop et al. (2003)

CMB: Spergel et al. (2003)

Clusters: Allen et al. (2002)

expands forever

recollapses eventually

Closed

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### Gammas from GRBs









Victor HESS 1912

# Which are the sources of the cosmic rays ?



# Wide energy range of CTA: determination of sources of hadronic cosmic rays ?

Question: In which objects do we have hadronic acceleration and in which objects leptonic acceleration ?







- SSC model: leptonic acceleration
  - High energy gamma rays
  - Strong synchrotron emission
- π<sup>0</sup>-decay: hadronic acceleration
  - High energy gamma rays
  - High energy hadrons --> CR
  - 10 TeV proton -> 1 TeV gamma



## Low energies in SNR Study RX J1713 HESS + Fermi



#### Concaved spectrum (non-linear effect)??





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Concaved spectrum (non-linear effect)??



# High discovery potential of CTA



At the moment we see only the tip of the iceberg
-> we expect many new sources and source classes

## New source class: Pulsars with CTA



- FERMI has seen 36 pulsars !
- Most interesting physics is in the high-end of the spectrum
- Emission at high energy excludes polar cap model
- Need lowest energy threshold !!



### MAGIC detection of Crab pulsar



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FERMI/MAGIC Crab pulsar spectrum: MAGIC sees high energy extension

### Have pulsars an exponential cutoff or not?



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### COMPTEL/FERMI/IACT Multiwavelength Crab nebula emission



# Probing Cosmic rays in the Galaxy using molecular clouds

#### Gamma rays H.E.S.S. Gamma Spectrum from diffuse radiation Enission along the Galactic Plane IN/dE (TeV<sup>1</sup> cm<sup>2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> sr<sup>-1</sup>) GC Region 10 Dittuse Model Myster / Source HESS J1745-303 Sgr B Region Galactic pane HESS J1745-290 Molecular clouds 10 10 10 Tsuboi et al. 1999 Energy (TeV)



### **Displaced nebula**









## Simulation for F/D=1.2 & 1.6

- Comparison of WIDTH parameter for F/D=1.2 (0.06 deg pixels) and F/D=1.6 (0.1 deg pixels)
- F/D=1.2 is good enough for this parameter



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# Importance of WIDTH for low energy analysis

- Needed optical quality related to WIDTH (important separation parameter)
- Still small separation for 30-50 GeV (in stereo)
- Main separation parameter is Hmax







A.S. 1998 1999 1999 1999



3000 < Average Size < 6000

6000 < Average Size < 10000





# Gamma/Hadron separation (mono) using shower WIDTH for different pixel size

- Pixel size and optical quality are related.
- No improvement in gamma/ hadron separation (WIDTH) with smaller pixels and better optics !!








## Importance of pixel size

- Two plots for 0.1 degree and 0.06 degree pixels:
   1) Angular resolution & 2) Trigger rate
- Trigger threshold almost unaffected by pixel size and optical quality
- Angular resolution is slightly affected.









## Relative sensitivity in dependence on FoV for fixed cost

- For point sources the most cost effective F0V is 3.5 degrees and the best F/D=1.2
- For extended sources the best FoV is between 3.8 and 4.5 degrees and the F/D=1.2-1.6 are similar
- All in all, the variation seems small, the distribution is rather flat.



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# Pierres toy model F/D and FOV

- Trigger efficiency decreases off angle due to the degradation of optical PSF
- It increases with F/D due to improvement in optical PSF



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## Self weight dish deformation and mirror misalinment

## Misalingment in X (deg)

### Misalignment in Y (deg)

z



#### z =-11.9



#### → Eigengewicht



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# Need to define the optical axis

- Choose one point in the dish (which is rather stable) and mount a IR-laser in that point
- Define laser
  beam as optical axis
- Use this reference for the AMC adjustment
- suggest 2 lasers
  for cross check
- mount a precision inclinometer to the laser to measure azimuth angle

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### Flange 1

- depth of clearance groove: 100 mm
- special tool necessary (expensive)
- poor precision (depends on stability of tool)

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### Flange 2

- depth of clearance groove: 50 mm
- difficult to produce
- special tool necessary (similar to flange 1)

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### Flange 3

- divided into two parts (connected by thread)
- easy and cheap production
- no special tools necessary









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### Additional test tubes from Epsilon at hand

- diameter/wall thickness  $\emptyset$ 241/5.0 and  $\emptyset$ 333/6.5
- length 1 m, 4.8 m ( $\emptyset$ 241/5.0) and 4.5 m ( $\emptyset$ 333/6.5)

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