

#### TELESCOPE ARRAY: LATEST RESULTS

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### **TELESCOPE ARRAY DETECTOR**

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### TELESCOPE ARRAY HYBRID DETECTOR



- ► 507 scintillator detectors covering 680 km<sup>2</sup>
- S fluorescence sites, 38 telescopes
- Surface detector fully operational from March 2008
- $\blacktriangleright\,$  SD relative size: TA  $\sim$  9  $\times\,$  AGASA  $\sim\,$  PAO/4  $\,$



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- > Deployed with the spacing  $\sim$  1.2 km
- Powered by solar panels. Connected by radio.

## TA Fluorescence Detectors



#### Hybrid event example

## Triple FD Event (2008-10-26)



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#### SPECTRUM

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#### TA spectrum

TA measures spectrum by three techniques:

- Middle Drum fluorescence detector (FD-mono)
- Surface detector (SD)
- Hybrid (SD+FD)



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#### Surface detector spectrum

#### Dataset:

- Geometrical cuts:
  - θ < 45°</li>
  - core inside the array, distance to border > 1200 m
- Cuts on reconstruction quality:
  - > number of detectors hit  $\geq$  4
  - ►  $\chi^2/d.o.f < 4.0$
  - $\succ$  pointing direction resolution  $<5^\circ$
  - First fractional  $S_{800}$  uncertainty < 0.25
- 1.75 years, 6264 events after cuts



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#### TA surface detector spectrum





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## SD, FD-mono and hybrid spectra



#### Comparison with other experiments





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### CHEMICAL COMPOSITION

#### Telescope Array stereo result





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#### TA data favor protons

[Y. Tameda, UHECR-2010, Nagoya]

### TA $X_{\text{max}}$ distributions (I)

## Xmax Distribution (QGSJET01)





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### ANISOTROPIES

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#### Sky distribution, E > 10 EeV





Equatorial coordinates, 655 events



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#### Sky distribution, E > 40 EeV



Equatorial coordinates, 35 events

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#### Sky distribution, E > 57 EeV



Equatorial coordinates, 15 events

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# Search for clustering at small scales E > 10 EeV



no excess over background

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#### Test of correlations with AGN

- 472 AGN from 2006 Veron catalog with z < 0.018 (D < 75 Mpc)</li>
- separation angle 3.1°





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Currently: observed 6, background 3.6,  $p = 16\% \implies$  compatible with background

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#### Correlation with LSS

- UHECR flux at high energies is expected to be anisotropic because matter distribution is not uniform at distances ~ 100 Mpc
- The matter distribution can be modeled out to ~ 250 Mpc from the XSCz catalog (*T. Jarrett, in preparation*) containing over 700 000 galaxies with spectroscopic redshifts
- From the matter distribution the UHECR flux map may be calculated and compared to observation
- This involves a single parameter the smearing angle θ representing deflections in magnetic fields and finite angular resolution



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# Correlations with LSS E > 40 EeV



Galactic coordinates

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# Correlations with LSS E > 57 EeV



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#### Results of the statistical tests



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#### Photon flux limits



### CONCLUSIONS

- ► TA observes the cut-off in the spectrum, significance currently is  $\sim 3.5\sigma$
- TA data favor light composition at high energies (like HiRes, unlike Auger)
- Almost fully consistent with isotropy (except perhaps at E > 57 EeV)
  - no significant small-scale clustering
  - no significant correlation with AGN
  - no significant correlation with LSS



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#### TA surface detector in detail





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#### SD event example



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#### FD event example





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#### Energy scale



- SD energy: CORSIKA QGSJET-II full MC
- FD energy: MD mono, BRM, LR hybrid
- Result:  $E = E_{SD}/1.27$



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### Statistical significance of GZK cut-off



- Assume no GZK cutoff and extend the broken power law fit beyond the break
- Apply this extended flux formula to the actual TASD exposure, find the number of expected events and compare it to the number of events observed in log<sub>10</sub>E bins after 10<sup>19.8</sup>eV bin:

$$-$$
 N<sub>EXPECT</sub> = 18.4

$$- N_{OBSERVE} = 5$$

$$PROB = \sum_{i=0}^{1} Poisson(\mu = 18.4; i) = 2.41 \times 10^{-4}$$
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#### G.Thomson, ICHEP'10, Paris

#### Auger & HiRES XMAX results

Auger: Phys.Rev.Lett.104.091101



HiRES: Phys.Rev.Lett.104.161101





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C: Centaurus supercluster (60 Mpc); Ca: Canes I group (4 Mpc) and Canes II group (9 Mpc); Co: Coma cluster (90 Mpc); E: Eridanus cluster (30 Mpc); F: Fornax cluster (20 Mpc); He: Hercules superclusters (140 Mpc); Hy: Hydra supercluster (50 Mpc); L: Leo supercluster (130 Mpc), Leo I group (10 Mpc), and Leo II group (20 Mpc); M81: M81 group (4 Mpc); M101: M101 group (8 Mpc); P: Pegasus cluster (60 Mpc); PI: Pavo-Indus supercluster (70 Mpc); PC: Pisces- Cetus supercluster (250 Mpc); PP: Perseus-Pisces supercluster (70 Mpc); S: Shapley supercluster (200 Mpc); UM: Ursa Major supercluster (240 Mpc), Ursa Major North group (20 Mpc), and Ursa Major South group (20 Mpc); V: Virgo cluster (20 Mpc); VII: Virgo II group (20 Mpc); VIII: Virgo III group (20 Mpc).



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### The statistical test ("flux sampling")



- Events following the model would produce uniform distribution over the bands
- No binning is needed (on the picture it is for illustration only): two distributions may be compared by the KS test



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