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Santiago de Compostela, Novembro 2006.

## Analysis Foundations task





Reconstruction of events (energy, arrival direction, ...)

Advanced Data Summary Tree (ADST)

## Analysis Foundations task



500 1000 1500 2000 2500

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v / km

## 750 m array events: Phase 1 data set



reconstr.	triggers	data period	zenith angle range	full trigger efficiency	CIC method	FD data set	purpose
Herald	ordinary	Jan 08 - Dec 22	$\theta < 55^{0}$	3 x 10 <sup>17</sup> eV	PRD 2020	EPJC 2021	arr. direct.
Herald	new	Jan 14 - Dec 22	$\theta < 55^{0}$	2 x 10 <sup>17</sup> eV	<b>EPJC 2021</b>	EPJC 2021	arr. direct.
Herald	ordinary	Jan 08 - Dec 22	$\theta < 55^0$	3 x 10 <sup>17</sup> eV	PRD 2020	ICRC 2023	test
Offline	ordinary	Jan 08 - Dec 22	$\theta < 55^{0}$	3 x 10 <sup>17</sup> eV	<b>JINST 2020</b>	<b>ICRC 2023</b>	radio en. scale

## **Radio energy scale - AERA**

## Auger Engineering Radio Array (AERA) precursor of the RD detector of AugerPrime

Shower energy from first-principles (QED) but with some caveat:

- need an accurate simulation of the shower development
- 100% duty cycle only for inclined events

(no need of atmospheric monitoring)

## Comparison with FD energy scale from the analysis of the events detected simultaenously by AERA and 750 m array







G. Askaryan, Soviet Phys. JETP 14, 441 (1962)

## **Energy scale from FD (Phase 1)**

- paper in preparation  $\rightarrow$  14% uncertainty

- several issues related to FD rec never published

Absolute fluorescence yield	3.4%
Fluores. spectrum and quenching param.	1.1%
Sub total (Fluorescence Yield)	3.6%
Aerosol optical depth	3% ÷ 6%
Aerosol phase function	1%
Wavelength dependence of aerosol scattering	0.5%
Atmospheric density profile	1%
Sub total (Atmosphere)	3.4% ÷ 6.2%
Absolute FD calibration	9%
Nightly relative calibration	2%
Optical efficiency	3.5%
Sub total (FD calibration)	9.9%
Sub total (FD calibration) Folding with point spread function	<b>9.9%</b>
Sub total (FD calibration) Folding with point spread function Multiple scattering model	<b>9.9%</b> 5% 1%
Sub total (FD calibration) Folding with point spread function Multiple scattering model Simulation bias	9.9% 5% 1% 2%
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Sub total (FD calibration) Folding with point spread function Multiple scattering model Simulation bias Constraints in the Gaisser-Hillas fit Sub total (FD profile rec.) Invisible energy Statistical error of the SD calib. fit Stability of the energy scale	9.9%           5%           1%           2%           3.5% ÷ 1%           6.5% ÷ 5.6%           3% ÷ 1.5%           0.7% ÷ 1.8%           5%

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### The energy scale of the Pierre Auger Observatory (Dated: July 4, 2024)

The energy scale of the Pierre Auger Observatory is determined with the almost calorimetric measurements of the shower energies provide by the fluorescence detector. In this paper we present the analysis to estimate the energy scale with a detailed discussion of the systematic uncertainties that in total amount to 14%.

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I. INTRODUCTION

#### II. THE PIERRE AUGER OBSERVATORY

The Pierre Auger Observatory detects extensive air showers initiated by the highest energy cosmic rays, using an array of 1660 water-Cherenkov detectors spread over an area of 3000 km<sup>2</sup> together with 27 optical telescopes designed to detect the faint nitrogen fluorescence light emitted in the atmosphere. It is these fluorescence observations that set the energy scale of the Observatory, since an air shower induces fluorescence emission in direct proportion to the energy deposited into the atmosphere by the shower particles. The atmosphere thus acts as a giant calorimeter for the measurement of the energy carried by the incoming primary cosmic ray particles. Through coincident measurements of air showers with both the surface and fluorescence detectors, the fluorescence-derived energy scale is transferred to the surface detector analysis, important since the bulk of data collected is from the surface detector alone

The structure of the paper is as follows. We begin in Sec. II with a description of the Pierre Auger Observatory, including an outline of the techniques used to reconstruct cosmic ray energy with the surface and fluorescence detectors. In the following sections, key quantities and methods are described. The first of these, in Sec. III, is the fluorescence yield (the fraction of deposited air shower energy appearing as light), and we describe laboratory measurements including the pressure, temperature and humidity dependence of the yield. In Sec. IV we discuss aspects of the atmosphere that require careful and regular characterization for good energy measurements, before moving to Sec. V and a discussion of the photometric calibration of the fluorescence detector telescopes and the monitoring of those calibrations over time. In Sec. VI we outline the major uncertainties associated with the fluorescence detector profile reconstruction, the key step in determining energy. The method used to transfer the fluorescence detector energy scale to the surface detector is described in Sec. VII. Finally, we summarize all of the systematic uncertainties in the energy scale already described, before concluding.

The Pierre Auger Observatory is located in Mendoza Province, western Argentina near the town of Malargüe at a mean altitude of 1400 m above sea level (875 g/cm<sup>2</sup> of atmospheric overburden). It includes as two of its key components a surface detector (SD) and a fluorescence detector. The SD is an array of 1660 water-Cherenkov detectors covering 3000 km<sup>2</sup> on a triangular grid of spacing 1.5 km. A smaller area of 23.5 km<sup>2</sup> contains a denser array of 750 m spacing. Each detector station is a polyethylene tank of area  $10 \text{ m}^2$  filled with pure water to a depth of 1.2 m which is viewed with three large photomultiplier tubes. Shower electrons and muons produce Cherenkov light in the water, and even gammarays in the shower produce a significant signal via pair production. Photomultiplier signals are digitized with a sampling rate of 40 MHz. Signals are calibrated in terms of that from a vertical, through-going muon (a vertical equivalent muon, or VEM) derived from measurements every minute of signals from unaccompanied cosmic ray muons. An independent reconstruction of a shower direction and energy requires triggers in at least three stations. which corresponds to a threshold energy (100% triggering efficiency) of  $3 \times 10^{18}$  eV for the 1500 m array and  $3 \times 10^{17} \,\mathrm{eV}$  for the 750 m array.

The Fluorescence Detector (FD) is comprised of 27 optical telescopes arranged at four sites around the perimeter of the array. At each site 6 telescopes form an FD station with a total field of view from 2 to 30° in elevation over an azimuth range of 180°. The final three telescopes are situated at the Coihueco site and form the low-energy fluorescence detector HEAT, the High Elevation Auger Telescopes, viewing an elevation range from approx. 30 to 60° over an azimuth range of 90°. The telescopes are of a Schmidt design, with a 1.1 m diameter entrance aperture and a 13 m<sup>2</sup> spherical mirror. Light enters each telescope through the aperture which contains a glass filter with a bandpass of approx. 300 - 400 nm, and an annular ring of lens-segments to partially correct for spherical aberration. Each telescope camera consists of an array of 440 hexagonal photomultiplier pixels, each with a field of view of 1.5° diameter. Pixel signals are digitized with a sampling rate of 10 MHz in the regular telescopes, and 20 MHz in HEAT. The telescopes are

# **FD** Calibration

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- Calibration database
  - ➤ official release till March 2022
  - unofficial update till June 2024
     (→ multi-hybrids AugerPrime events)
- analysis of the Night Sky Background data to improve the inter calibration among HEAT and CO telescopes
- implementation of the absolute calibration provided by the X-Y scanner in the calibration db
   → first test on showers (last drum calibration in 2013)







## **Richieste finanziarie**

Capitolo	Descrizione	Parziali (k€)		Rimuovi	Modifica	Totale (k€)	
	Descrizione		SJ			Richieste	SJ
missioni	Incontri istituzionali e con referee responsabile nazionale	2.00	0.00	Ē	0		
	Partecipazione al meeting di Collaborazione a Novembre (2 persone x 3 keuro = 6 keuro)	6.00	0.00	Ē	0		
	Turno di presa dati FD a Malargue (1 persona x 4 keuro)	4.00	0.00	Ē	0		
	Turno di maintenance camere telescopi a fluorescenza (1 persona x 3 keuro)		0.00	▣	0	22	0
	Partecipazione al meeting di Collaborazione a Marzo (1 persona x 3 keuro)	3.00	0.00	団	0		
	Partecipazione al meeting Auger di analisi all''Aquila, Maggio 2025 (2 persone x 1,5 keuro = 3 keuro) 3.00 0.00 🗇						
	Missioni al CNAF per trasferimento Data Center		0.00	団	0		
spservizi	Common Fund (dettagli sul Progress Report)	345.00	0.00	団	0	345	0
trasporti	Trasporti in situ per 1 turno FD e 2 meeting di Collaborazione	3.00	0.00	Ē	0	3	0
Totale						370	0

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