

Energy measurement and spectrum by TA

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Fluorescence Technique

•Energy?

•Composition?

Total ΔE + Missing energy

Development of ΔE

We have to understand

- Calibration
- Monte Carlo
- Analysis method

UHECR

Reconstruction

Data

Missing energy
(ν)

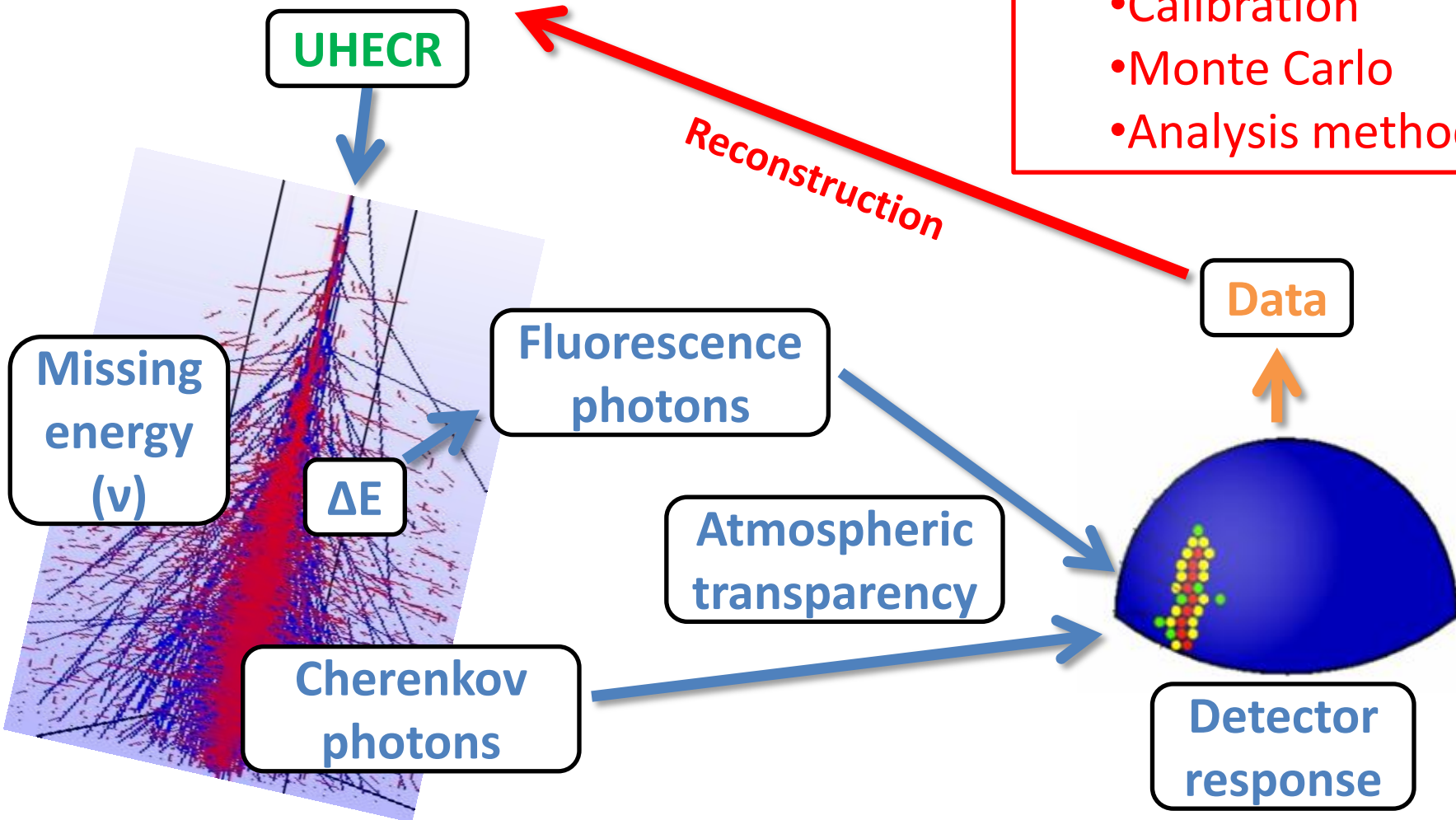
Fluorescence photons

ΔE

Atmospheric transparency

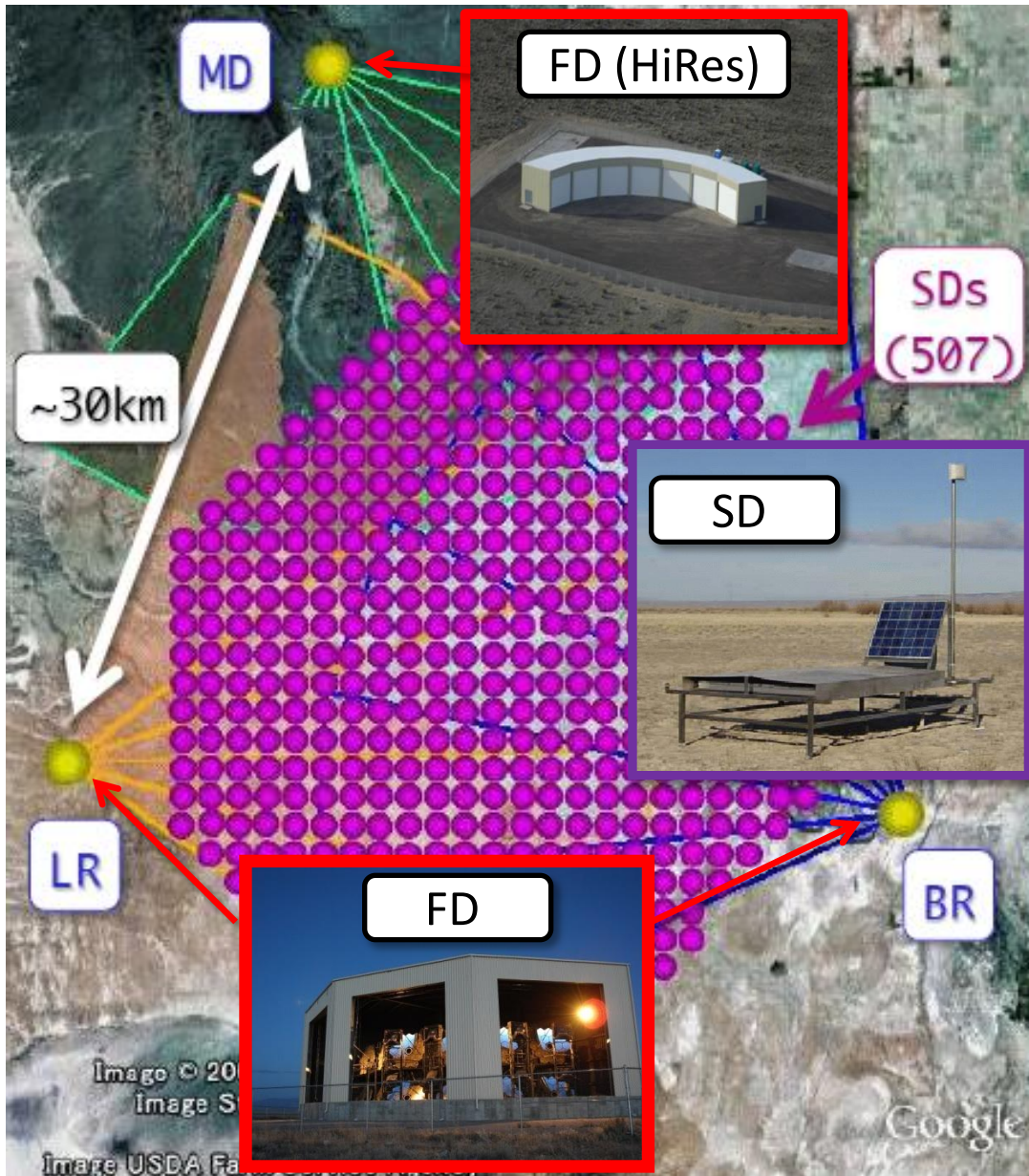
Cherenkov photons

Detector response

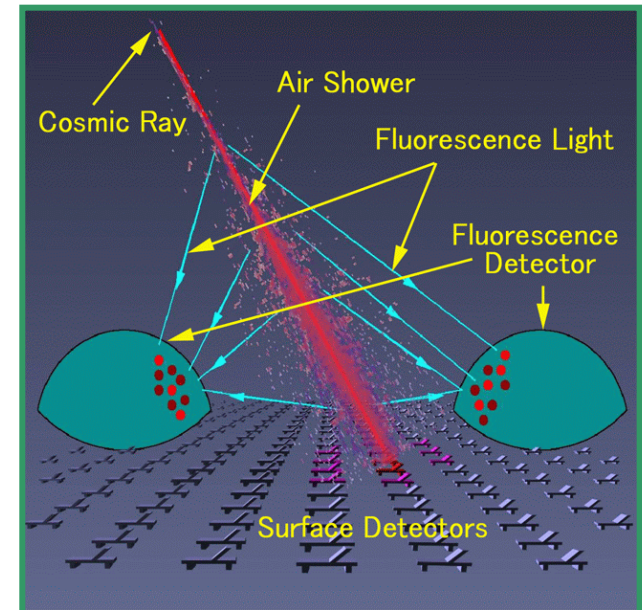


TA Fluorescence Detector

Telescope Array Experiment

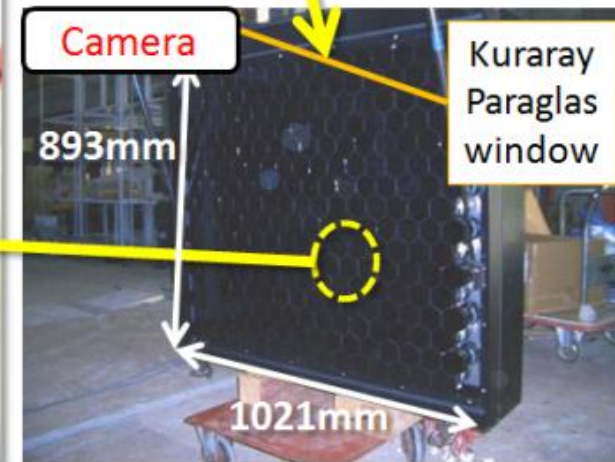
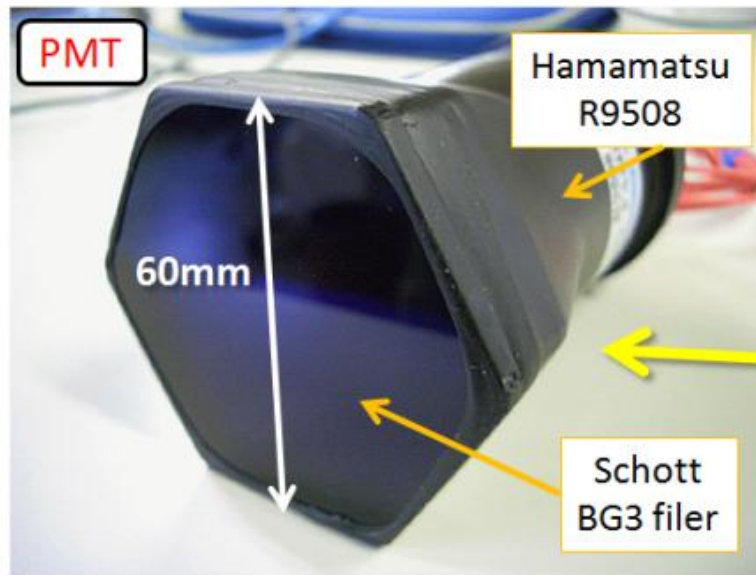
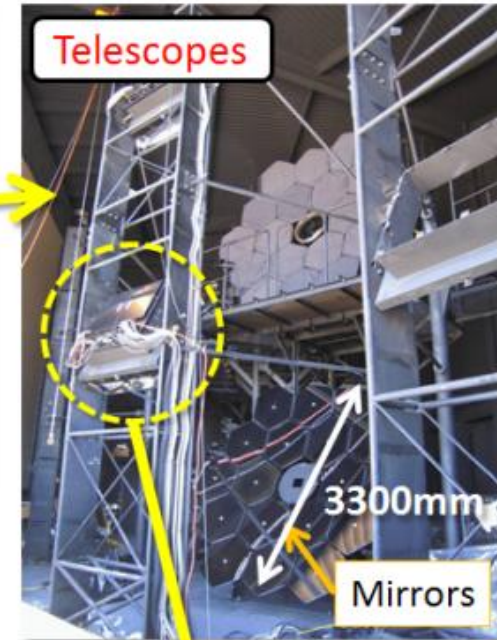
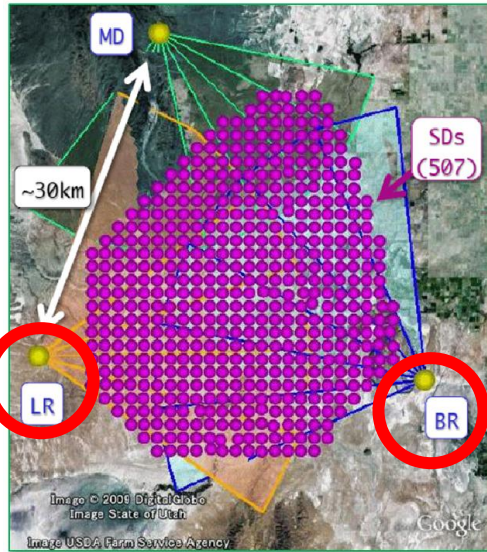


- Desert in Utah, US (1400m a.s.l.)
- 507 Surface Detectors (SDs)
 - 1.2km spacing
 - Two layers of plastic scintillator, 3m², 1.2cm thickness
- 3 Fluorescence Detectors (FDs)
 - Middle Drume (MD) station is transferred from HiRes.
- FD observation : from Nov/2007
- SD observation : from Mar/2008



FD at BR/LR station

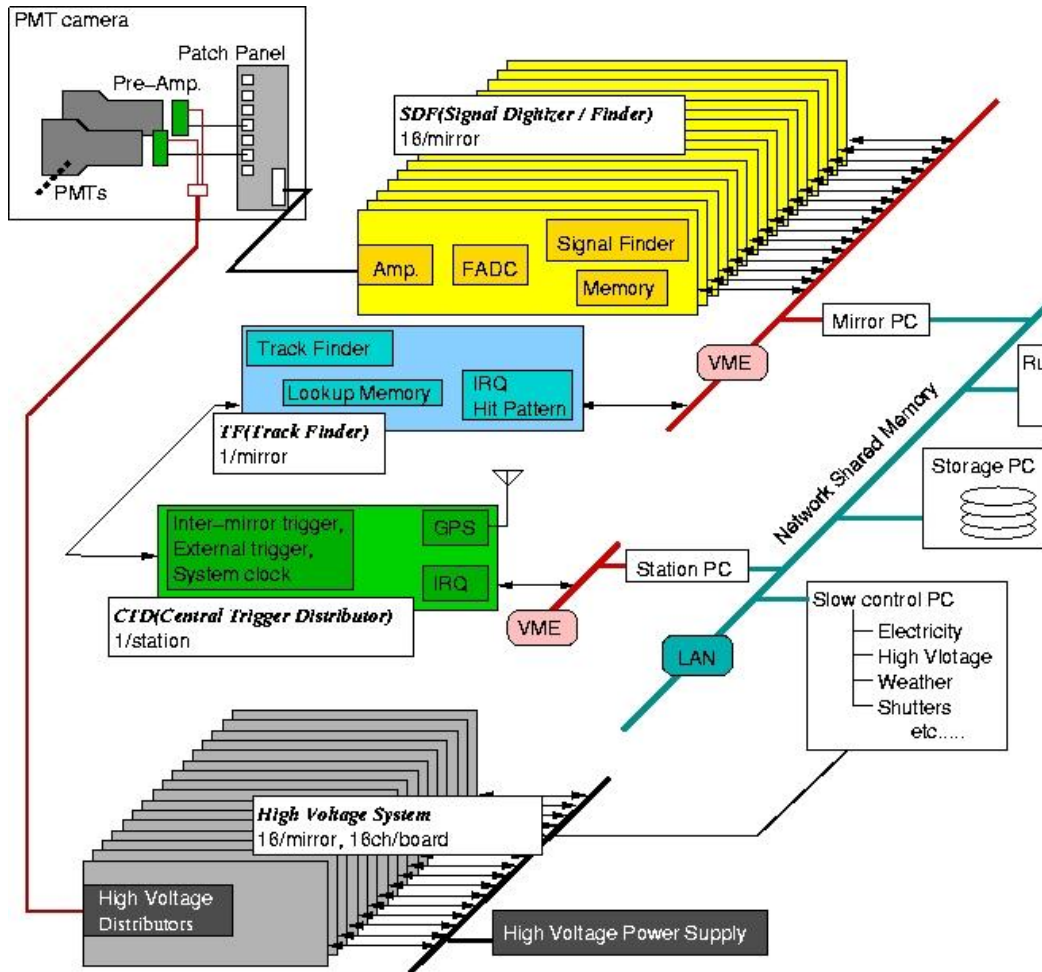
BR/LR site : **new** telescopes



F.O.V of station:

- Elevation: $3 \sim 33^\circ$
- Azimuth: 108°

Electronics (trigger)



Waveform: 10MHz, 14bits

Trigger:

- PMT trigger: $>6\sigma$
- Track trigger: >5 adjacent triggered PMTs

Time stamp: GPS

All of waveforms are stored when FD is triggered

Calibration

Telescope Calibration (PMT Gain)

• Absolute gain: CRAYS and YAP

Three PMTs for each camera

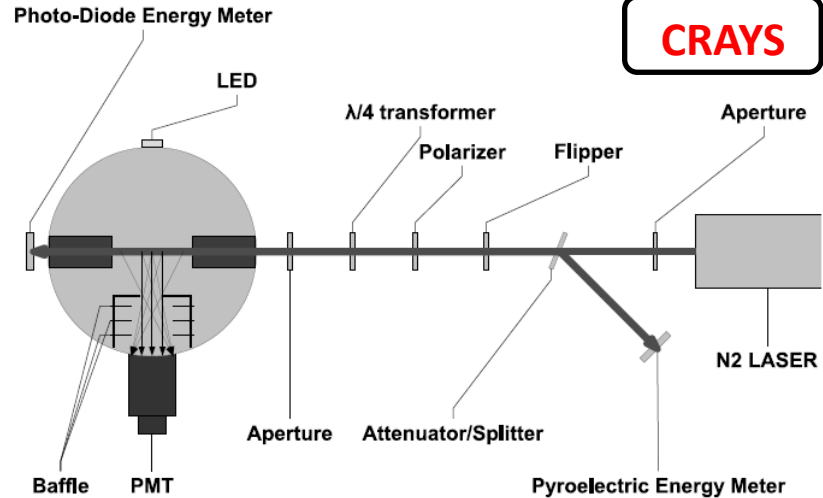
Scattered Rayleigh photons

as an absolute light source

• 0.508 count / photons (337.1nm)

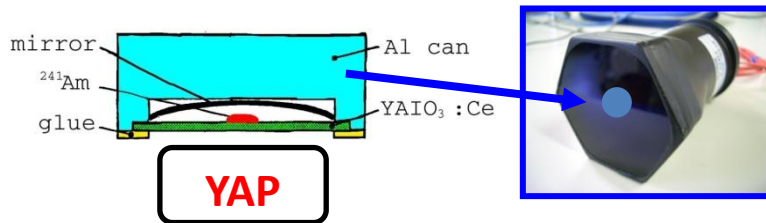
@24degrees

• Systematic error: ~8%



Scintillator and RI

as a stable light source



• Relative gain: Xe flasher

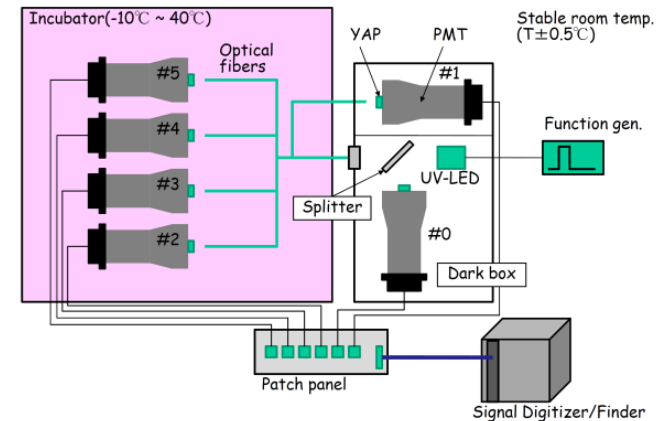
Xe discharge flasher

as a uniform light source

• Adjusted about 1% for all PMTs

• Monitoring in every 1hour

Xe flasher



• Temperature dependence

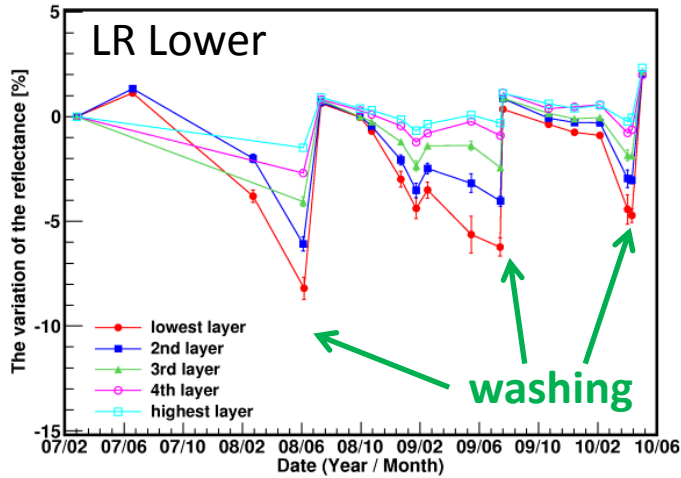
Measured by Incubator and LED

~-0.72%/degree

Telescope Calibration (Other components)

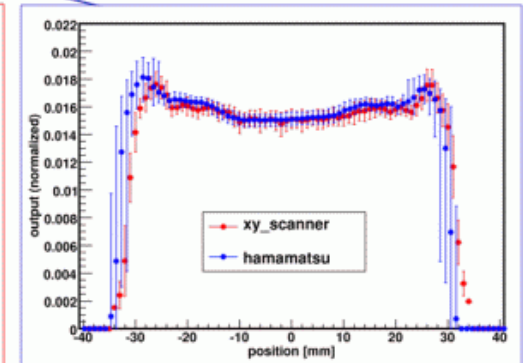
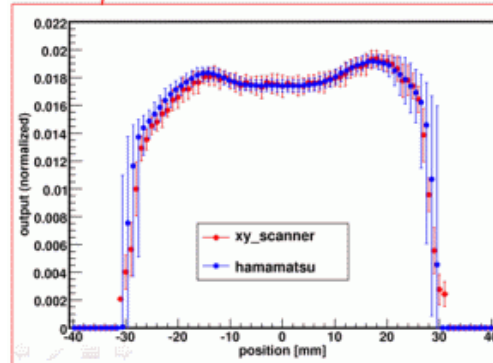
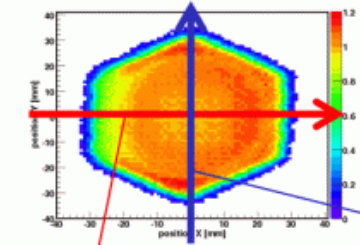
•Mirror reflectance

Monitored by handy spectrometer
(KONICA MINOLTA CM-2500d)



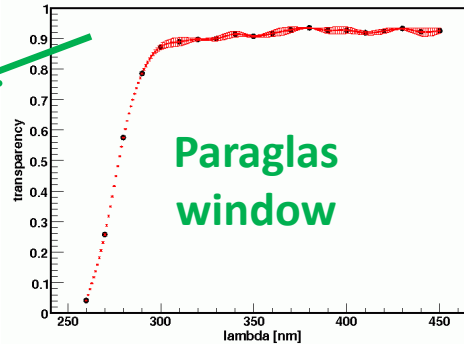
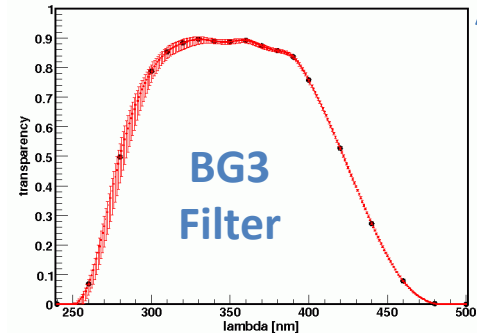
•PMT Uniformity

XY-Scanner (4LEDs, 4mm step)



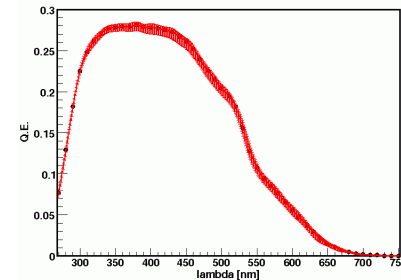
•Filter transparency

Measured by spectrometer
(HITACHI U-1100)



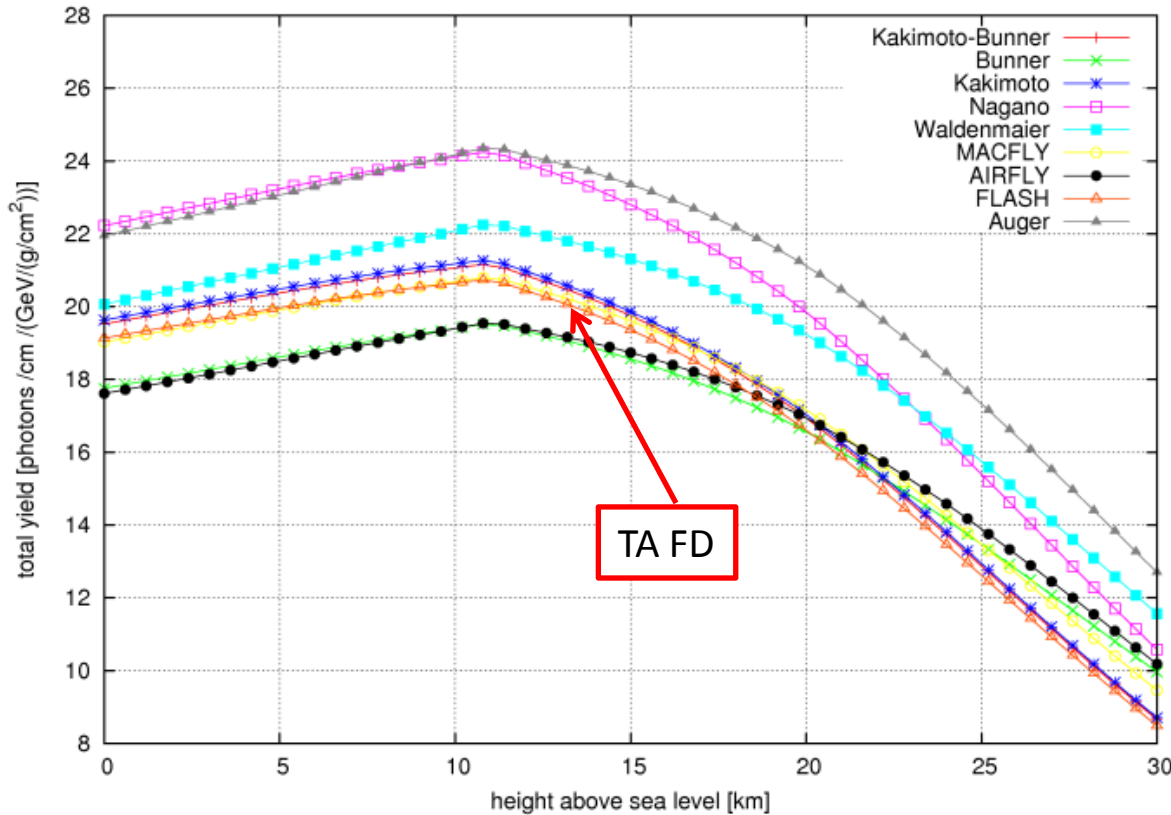
•PMT QE

Measured by HAMAMATSU



Total systematic error in detector: 10% (8% of CRAYS, 5% of mirror, 3% of aging)

Fluorescence yield



Currently, we use

FLASH model
scaled by Kakimoto model

- Kakimoto model was used in **HiRes** experiment
- TA has **HiRes** refurbished detector (MD station)

Currently, the humidity dependence (~5% near ground) is not corrected.

Total systematic error in FL yield:12% (10% of model, 5% of humidity, 3% of atmosphere)

Atmosphere

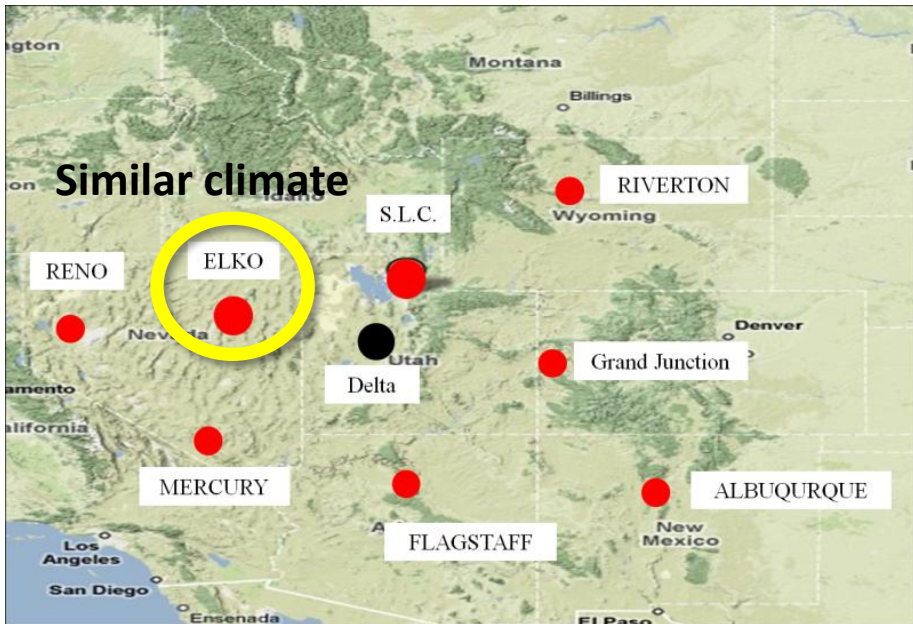
Two components of attenuation: **Molecule (Rayleigh) + Aerosol**

calculation (well known)

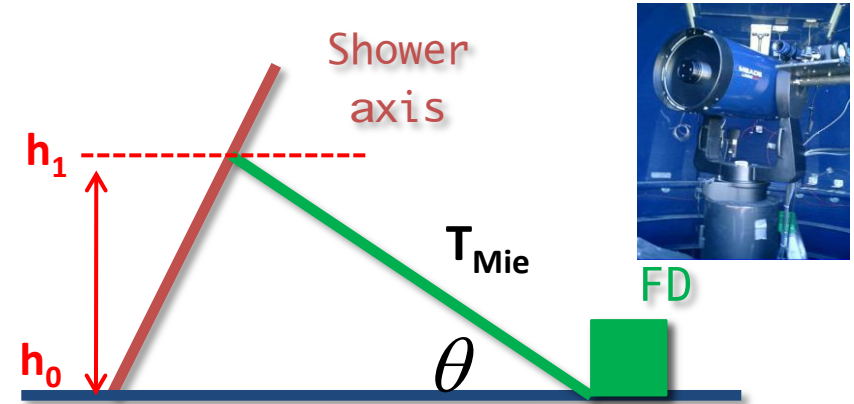
measurement

Atmospheric parameters
:Radiosonde

Every 12hours



Aerosol: LIDAR



$$T_{Mie} = \int_{h_0}^{h_1} \exp\{-\alpha_{Mie}(h)\} dh / \sin \theta$$

$$\alpha_{Mie}(h) = \lambda \exp(-h/H)$$

Currently, we use typical value:

- Attenuation length (λ) : **29.4km**
- Scale height (H): **1.0km**

The details of atmospheric calibration are described in the poster by Tomida(P-102)

Total systematic error in atmosphere:11% (10% of aerosol, 5% of Rayleigh)

Monte Carlo

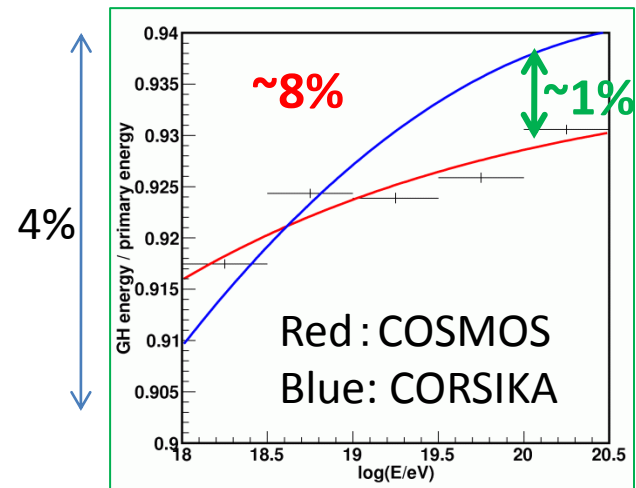
Air shower simulation COSMOS/CORSIKA

Items	COSMOS	CORSIKA
Primary energy	$10^{18}\text{eV} \sim 10^{20.5}\text{eV}$	$10^{18}\text{eV} \sim 10^{19.5}\text{eV}$
Zenith angle	$\cos\theta=0.65$ ($\hat{=} 50\text{degrees}$) ~ 1	$0 \sim 60\text{degrees}$
Primary particle	Proton	Proton / Iron
Thinning ratio	10^{-4} ($< 10^{20}\text{eV}$), 10^{-5} ($\geq 10^{20}\text{eV}$)	10^{-4}
Interaction model	QGSJET II	QGSJET01, QGSJET-II, SYBYLL
Cut threshold energy	100keV	100keV

Missing energy

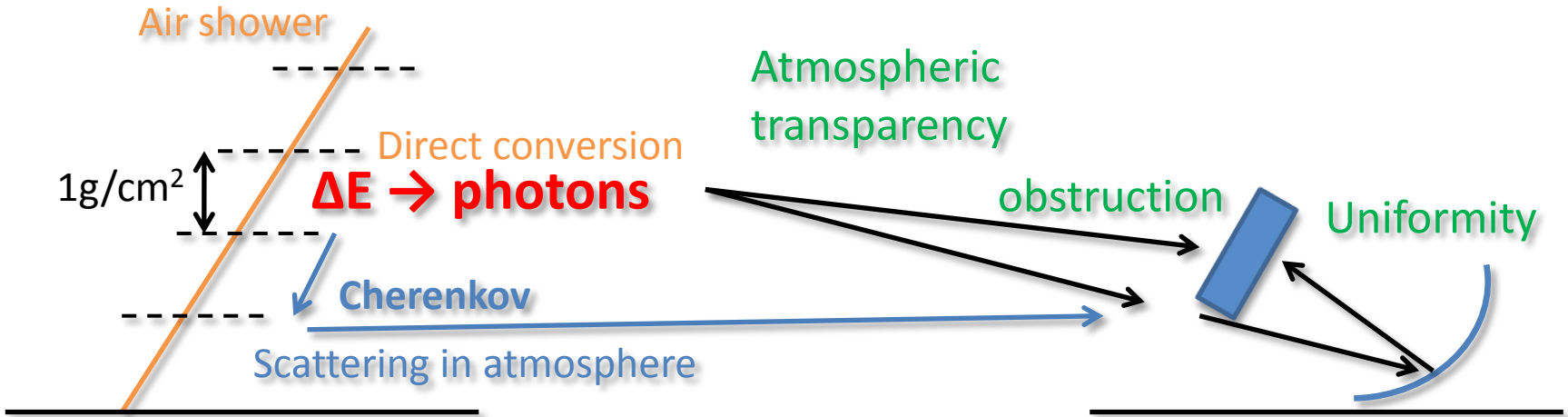
• Difference b/w primary energy and integrated energy of fitted G.H. function

- Muon / Neutrino
- Difference b/w true development and G.H. function
- Obtained missing energy is $\sim 8\%$
- Difference b/w COSMOS and CORSIKA: $< 1\%$

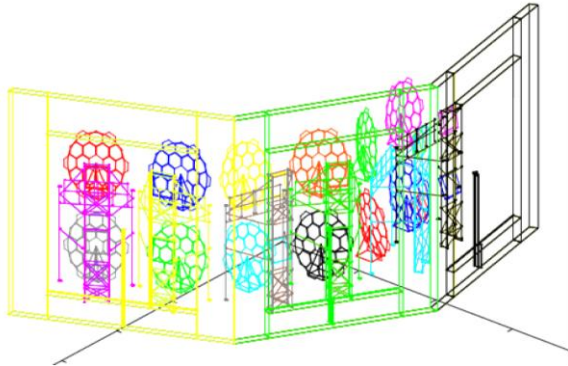


MC Simulations

Detector MC



FDMC (JAVA)



- Not only Fluorescence but also Cherenkov (Nerling)
- **Calibration factors with time dependence**
 - PMT gain, mirror reflectance, back ground...
 - Same as data analysis
- **Calibrated geometry of telescopes by star monitoring**
 - We can see the star directly from baseline of waveform
 - DC- coupling

Data analysis

Analysis flow

Stored data

>5 adjacent triggered PMTs ($>6\sigma$)
All of waveforms are stored when FD is triggered

online

offline

Data selection

$>3\sigma$, adjacent camera with triggered telescope
Data search by timing information (Hybrid, Stereo)

Pre Reconstruction

PMT selection to use analysis
Get timing/charge information from each waveform

Geometry Reconstruction

Crossing line of two SDP (Stereo)
Timing information (Mono, Hybrid)

Longitudinal development
Reconstruction

Inverse Monte Carlo with G.H. function
Correction of missing energy



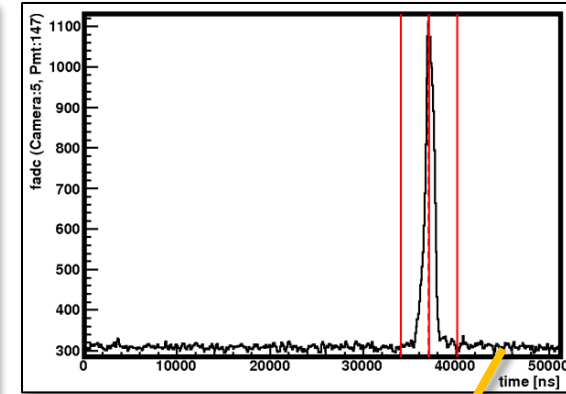
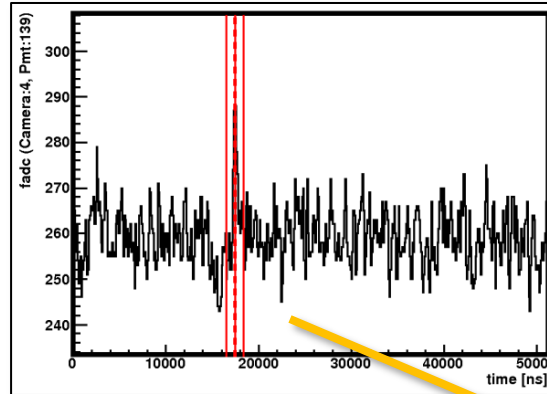
Pre reconstruction

PMT Selection

Data selection

0th selection

- Reject for $S/N < 3$
- Keep only the neighboring camera by the triggered one.



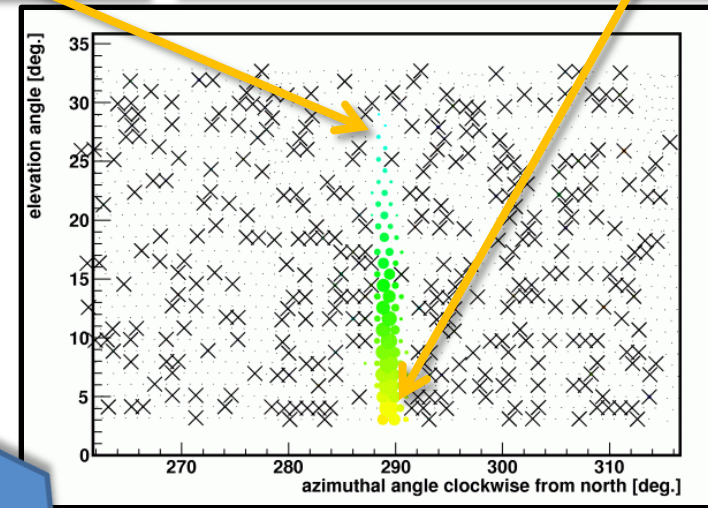
Pre reconstruction (The initial parameters for the 4th selection)

1st selection (waveform analysis)

- The peak, region for the integration is decided by the triangle filter
- Reject for $S/N < 6$

2nd selection (Track on the camera plane)

3rd selection (Timing)



Final selection (The rejected PMTs is also re-analyzed)

4th selection

- The geometrical reconstruction with the elevation angle and timing.
- Each PMT is judged by the condition. If the selected PMTs are changed, this analysis is done again.

ITEM	SOFT	HARD
Residual	<1.2 μ s	<0.8 μ s
Chi2	<20	<15
SDP beta	<4 $^{\circ}$	<2 $^{\circ}$

Geometry (Stereo)

Shower-Detector Plane (SDP)

Determination by direction of the selected PMTs

$$\chi^2 = \sum_i w^i (\mathbf{n} \cdot \mathbf{k}^i)^2$$

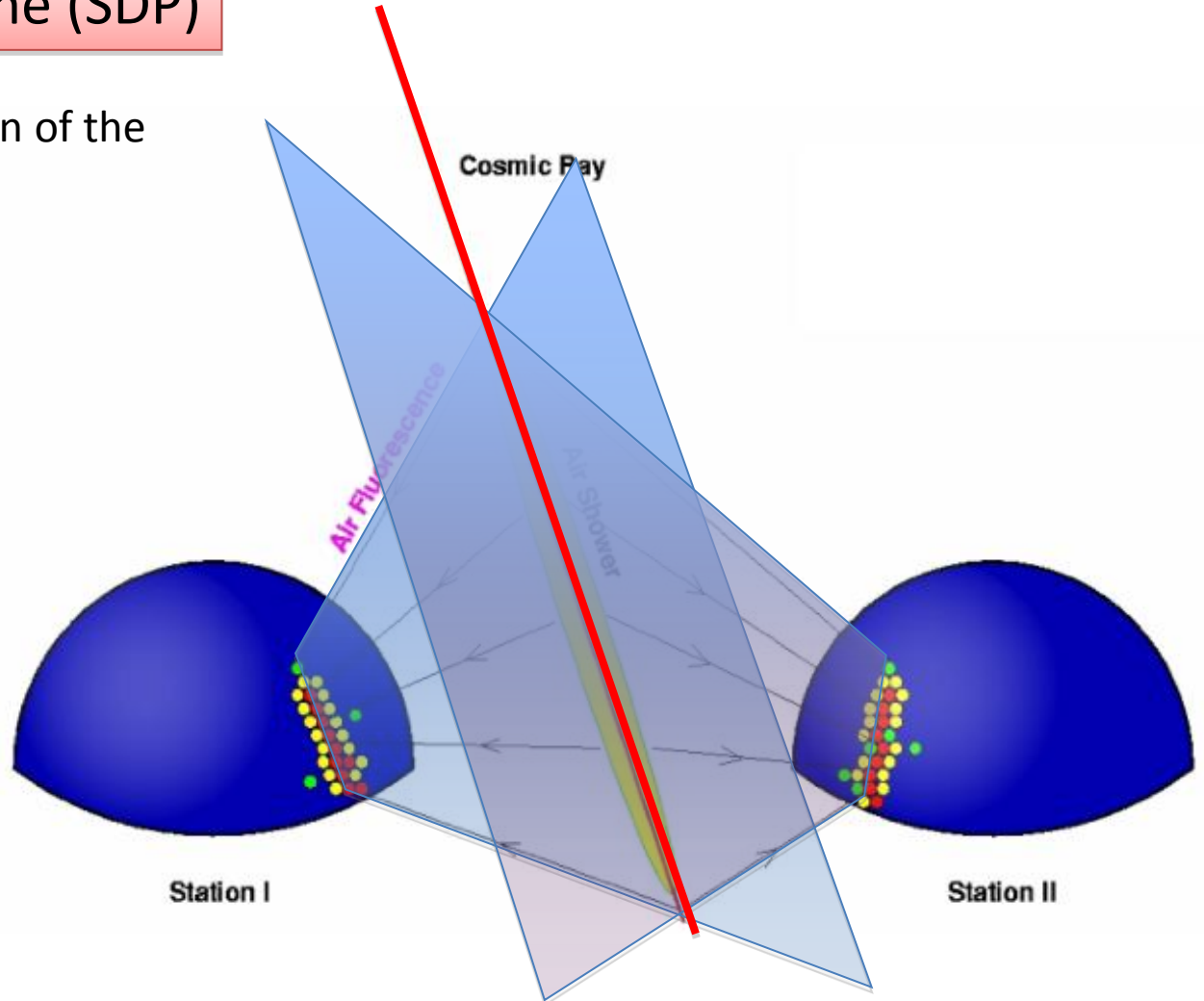
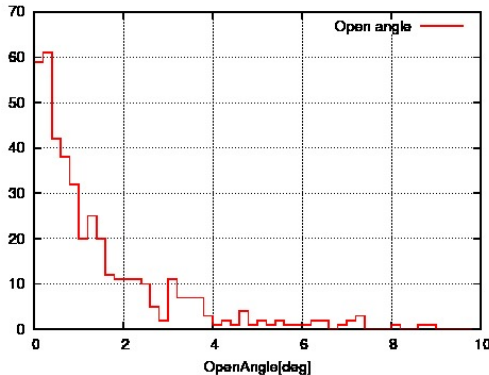
\mathbf{n} : Normal SDP vector

\mathbf{k}^i : PMT direction vector

Shower axis

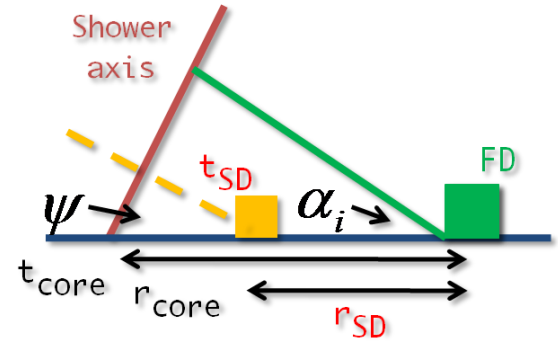
Intersect line of two SDPs

$$\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{n}_1 \times \mathbf{n}_2$$



Geometry (Hybrid)

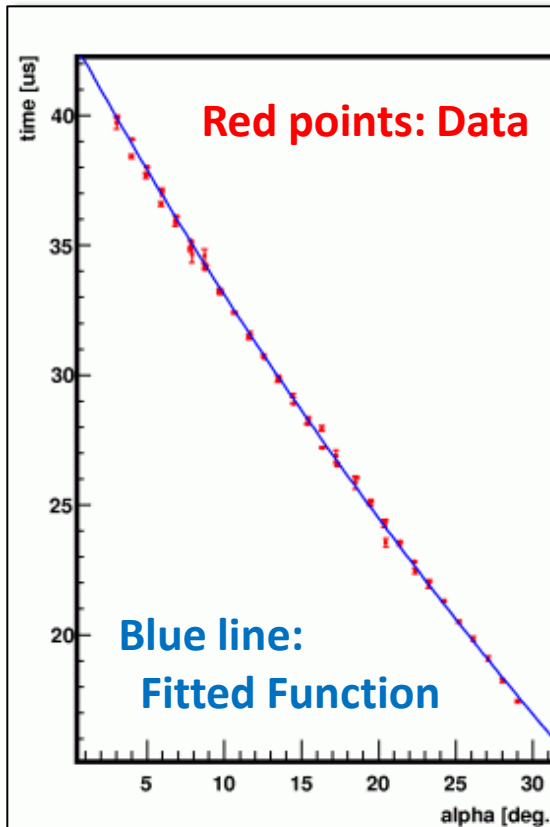
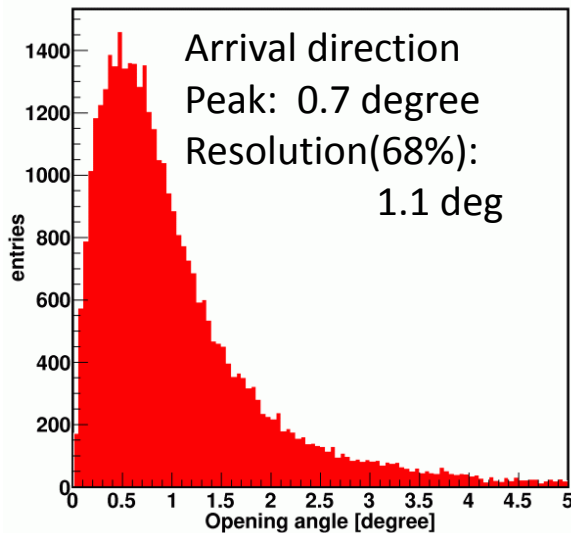
- Geometry is determined by **hybrid information**
- Traditional analysis of the mono-reconstruction with timing of one SD



Hybrid reconstruction

$$t_i = t_{core} + \frac{1}{c} \frac{\sin \psi - \sin \alpha_i}{\sin(\psi + \alpha_i)} r_{core}$$

$$t_{core} = t_{SD} + \frac{1}{c} (r_{core} - r_{SD}) \cos \psi$$



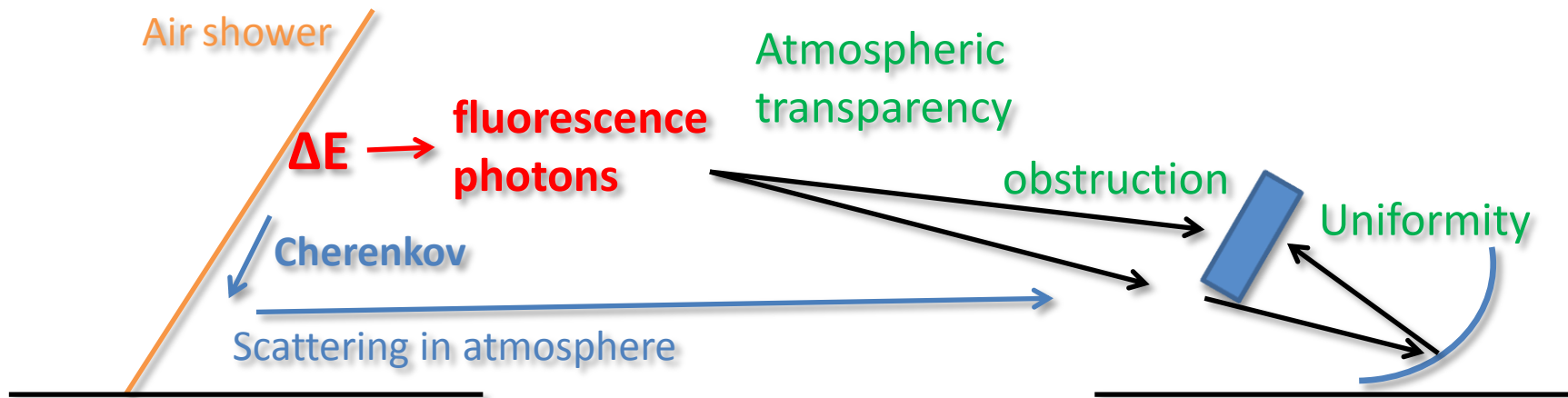
Fitting Results

$\psi = 1.513 \pm 0.001$ [rad]
 $r_{Core} = 17.763 \pm 0.004$ [km]
 $t_{Core} = -16115.817 \pm 0.000$ [ns]
 $\chi^2/ndf = 14.193$

Geometry Results

$zen = 3.909$ [deg]
 $azi = 313.053$ [deg]
 $core = (0.253, -6.162, 0.000)$ [km]
 $rp = 17.732$ [km]

Longitudinal development Inverse Monte Carlo method



The detected photons are not so simple!!

- FL light and Cherenkov light
- Atmospheric transparency
- Obstruction by the telescope structure
- Gap of segment mirrors
- Uniformity on cameras

These factors are irreversible.

Inverse Monte Carlo (IMC)

- Direct comparison b/w data and MC on cameras
- All of effect can be included
- Database of detector response
 - High speed/statistics

How to determine the X_{\max} and primary energy ?

1. Shape of shower development

2. Scale factor of G.H. function

- Difference of **total charge** b/w data and MC

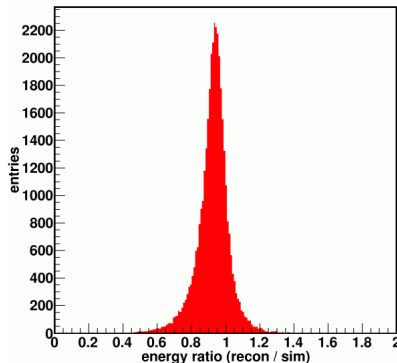
3. Calorimetric energy

- Integration of fitted G.H. function

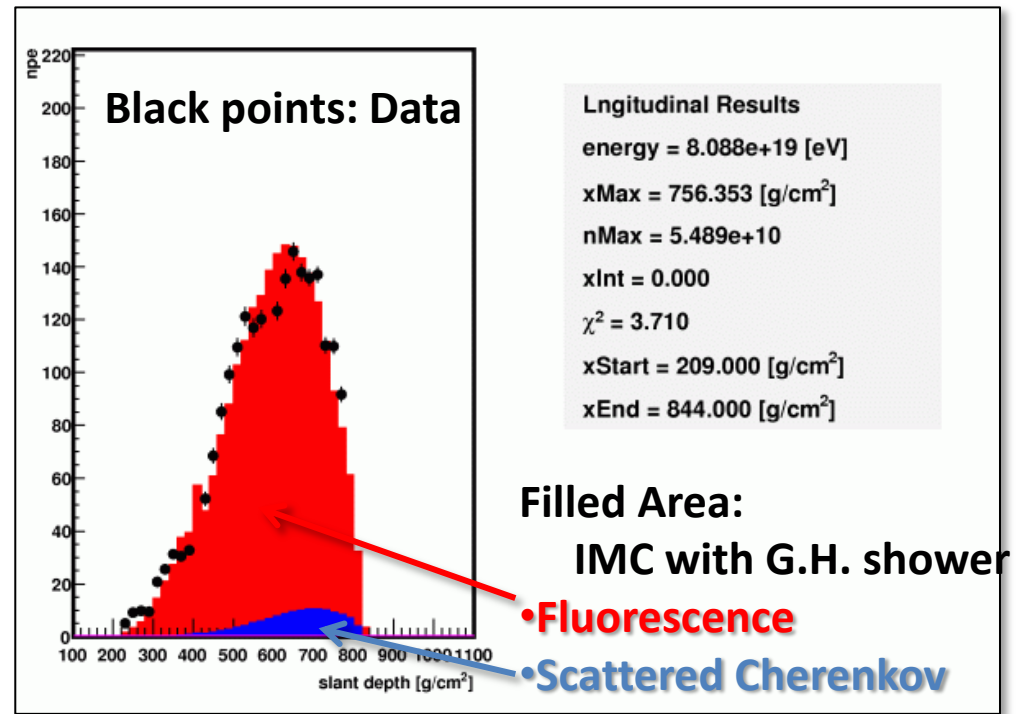
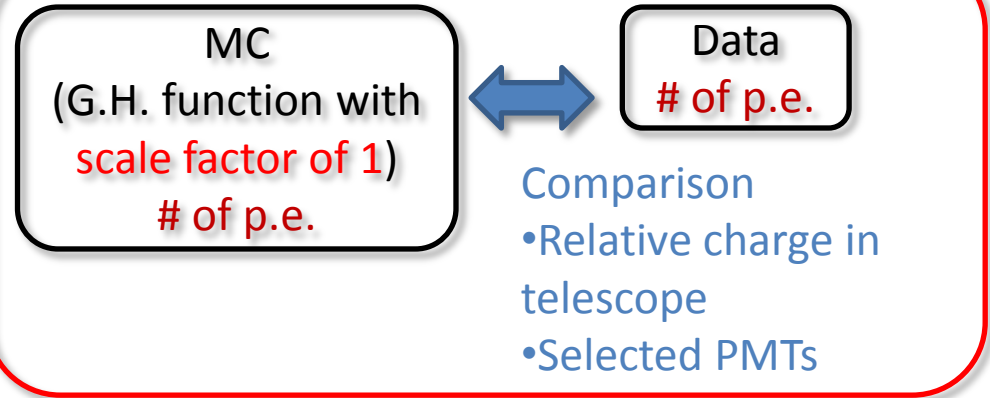
4. Primary energy

- Missing energy correction

Energy Resolution: 8%



Search best X_{\max} by IMC method

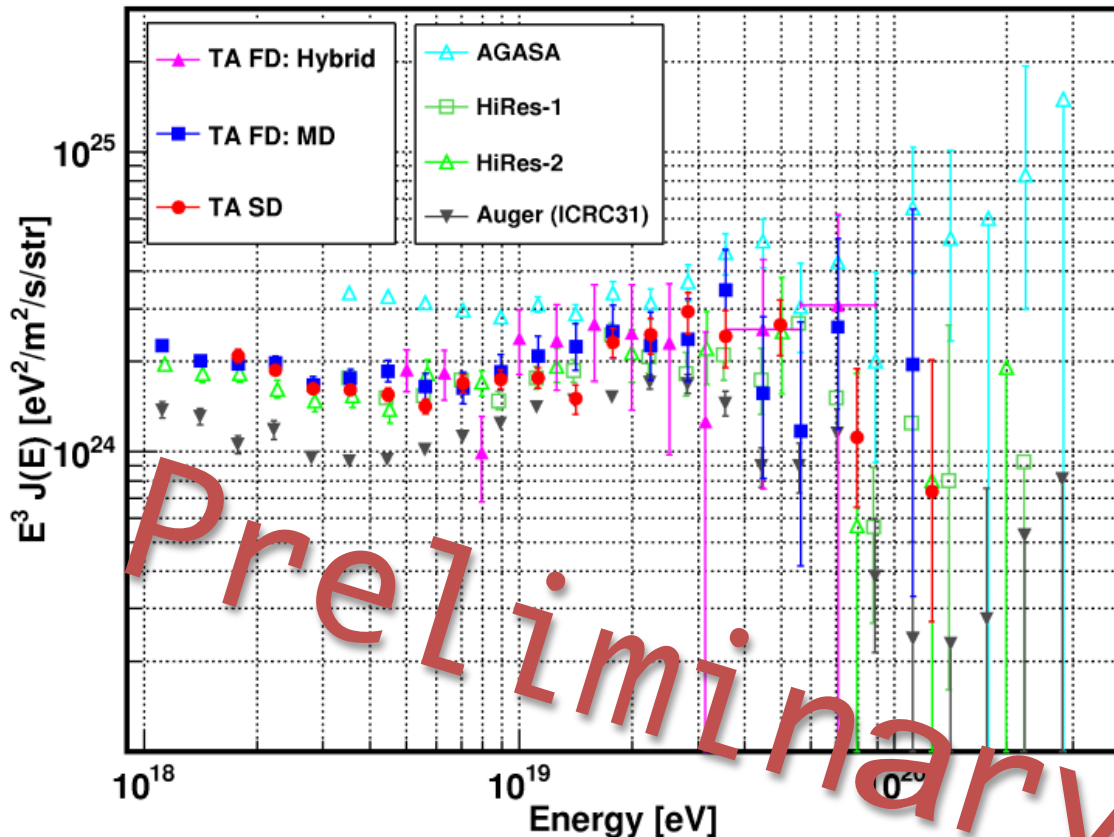


The details of the analysis method are described in the poster by Fujii (P-101)

Results

Energy spectrum

TA 1.5 years of hybrid events on BR and LR station



Systematic errors

Item	Systematic error
Fluorescence yield	12%
Detector	10%
Atmosphere	11%
Primary particle mass	5%
MC correction	3%
Total	19%

The energy scale of TA FD is almost same as HiRes.

In future...

•Systematic error

Item	Currently	Future (w/ ELS)
Fluorescence yield	12% Measurement(10%), Atmosphere(3%), Humidity(5%)	8% ELS (5%), Atmosphere(3%), Humidity(5%)
Detector	10% PMT(8%), Mirror(5%), Filter(1%), Aging(3%)	
Atmosphere	11% Mie(10%), Rayleigh(5%)	
Primary particle mass	5%	
MC correction	3%	1%
Total	19%	15%

•Measurement is on going in several experiment

•The dew-points are recorded by Radiosonde.

• Currently, we use one typical value.



Total systematic error will be reduced to 10~15%.

Conclusion

- To determine the UHECR energy, we have to understand
 - Calibration
 - Monte Carlo of Air shower / Detector
 - Analysis method
- Our status was presented
 - Systematic error is $\sim 19\%$
- Our energy scale is in good agreement with HiRes
- In future, our systematic error will be improved by ELS and atmospheric calibration.