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# Experimental High-Energy Astroparticle Physics

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#### **Cosmic Rays around the knee(s)**

# High-Energy Cosmic Ray Investigations with KASCADE, KASCADE-Grande, and LOPES







#### **Galactic cosmic rays**

#### Propagation through galaxy (B≈3μG?)

Acceleration of cosmic rays in supernova remnants

#### Direct or indirect measurement







#### **Arrays of particle detectors**









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### **Proposal**



Abb.1: Differentielles Energiespektrum der Höhenstrahlung oberhalb 10<sup>11</sup> eV. Die Werte des Flusses sind mit E<sup>2</sup>,5 multipliziert, um den starken Abfall in der Darstellung zu reduzieren. Man erkennt deutlich das Abknicken der Kurve zwischen 10<sup>15</sup> und 10<sup>16</sup> eV ("Knie") und die große Streuung der Meßwerte in diesem Bereich. (Nach Linsley, 1983).

Konzeptstudie für ein Detektorsystem zur Untersuchung ausgedehnter Luftschauer für Primärenergien zwischen 10<sup>14</sup> und 10<sup>17</sup> eV J. Engler, H. J. Gils, D. Heck, W. Heeringa, H. Keim, H. O. Klages, J. Knapp, H. Rebel, G. Schatz, T. Thouw, B. Zeitnitz Kernforschungszentrum Karlsruhe, Institut für Kernphysik Juni 1988



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#### **CORSIKA (COsmic Ray SImulations for KAscade)**





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# ASCADE: investigating the knee of cosmic rays by multi-parameter measurements

**E** = <u>KA</u>rlsruhe <u>Shower</u> <u>C</u>ore and <u>A</u>rray <u>DE</u>tector

- energy range 100 TeV 80 PeV
- up to 2003: 4.10<sup>7</sup> EAS triggers
- large number of observables:
  - → electrons
  - → muons (@ 4 threshold energies)
  - → hadrons
- → primary energy, mass, direction



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Run 3226, File 2, leve 65041, Ymd 10215, Hms 225810, Neds 250, Npds 138 (Xc,Yc) = (-45.4,-51.0), (Ze,Phi) = (36.7,228.6), log10(Ne)=6.14, log10(Lmuo)=4.66



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#### hadrons in air shower cores **Unaccompanied hadron**



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### Validity of Hadronic Interaction Models





#### Validity of Hadronic Interaction Models







#### **KASCADE : sensitivity to hadronic interaction models**



correlation of observables:

no hadronic interaction model describes data consistently !

- tests and tuning of hadronic interaction models !
- → close co-operation with theoreticians (CORSIKA including interaction models)
- → e.g.:

•EPOS 1.6 is not compatible with KASCADE measurements •QGSJET 01and SIBYLL 2.1still most compatible models

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KASCADE collaboration, J Phys G (3 papers: 25(1999)2161; 34(2007)2581; (2009)035201)



#### CMS @ LHC

#### **Charged particle distribution in pseudorapidity**



(data from all LHC experiments, CMS shown as example)

#### Models for air showers typically better in agreement with LHC data





#### **KASCADE : energy spectra of single mass groups**







Searched: E and A of the Cosmic Ray Particles Given:  $N_e$  and  $N_\mu$  for each single event → solve the inverse problem

 $\frac{dJ}{d\lg N_e \, d\lg N_{\mu}^{tr}} = \sum_A \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{dJ_A}{d\lg E} \left[ p_A(\lg N_e, \lg N_{\mu}^{tr} \mid \lg E) \, d\lg E \right]$ 

- kernel function obtained by Monte Carlo simulations (CORSIKA)
- contains: shower fluctuations, efficiencies, reconstruction resolution

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KASCADE collaboration, Astroparticle Physics 24 (2005





#### Results of KASCADE: Energy spectrum & composition



- knee is caused by light elements
- knee positions vary with mass group
- no hadronic interaction model describe data consistently

Analysis of 2-dimensional shower size spectrum:

# →energy spectra of single mass groups





#### Result KASCADE -> Motivation KASCADE-Grande





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#### **KASCADE-Grande**

- Energy range: 100TeV 1EeV
- Area: 0.5 km<sup>2</sup>
- Grande: 37×10 m<sup>2</sup> plastic scintillation detectors
- Nch + total muon number

W.D.Apel et al, Nucl.Instr. and Meth. A620 (2010) 202





#### 2-dimensional shower size spectrum



determination of primary energy
separation in "electron-rich" and "electron-poor" event

$$log_{10}(E) = [a_p + (a_{Fe} - a_p) \cdot k] \cdot log_{10}(N_{ch}) + b_p + (b_{Fe} - b_p) \cdot k$$

 $k = (\log_{10}(N_{ch}/N_{\mu}) - \log_{10}(N_{ch}/N_{\mu})_{p}) / (\log_{10}(N_{ch}/N_{\mu})_{Fe} - \log_{10}(N_{ch}/N_{\mu})_{p})$ 





### **KASCADE-Grande** all-particle energy spectrum

#### Astroparticle Physics 36 (2012) 183





- spectrum not a single power law
- hardening of the spectrum above 10<sup>16</sup>eV

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steepening close to
 10<sup>17</sup>eV (2.1σ)

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#### KASCADE-Grande energy spectra of mass groups

![](_page_25_Figure_1.jpeg)

- steepening due to heavy primaries (3.5σ)
- hardening at 10<sup>17.08</sup> eV
  (5.8σ) in light spectrum
- slope change from  $\gamma = -3.25$  to  $\gamma = -2.79!$

Phys.Rev.Lett. 107 (2011) 171104 Phys.Rev.D (R) 87 (2013) 081101

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#### Light and Heavy Knees, Ankles, and Transition

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- → KASCADE: knee of light primaries at ~3.10<sup>15</sup>eV
- → Hardening at 10<sup>16</sup>eV due to knee of medium component
- → KASCADE-Grande: knee of heavy primaries at ~9.10<sup>16</sup> eV
- ➔ heavy knee less distinct compared to light knee
- → mixed composition for  $10^{15}$  to ~ 8.10<sup>17</sup> eV
- → light ankle at 1-2-10<sup>17</sup> eV

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knee position «1,

#### Light and Heavy Knees, Ankles, and Transition

#### **Questions:**

- which astrophysical scenario (model) describes the data?

- exact energy and mass scale?

- spectral forms?

rigidity

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**B-component** 

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A-component

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31 (2005) R95

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log<sub>10</sub>(E<sup>2.75</sup> x Flux / m <sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>sr<sup>-1</sup>GeV<sup>1.75</sup>)

#### LOPES

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- LOPES collaboration: -) KASCADE-Grande -) U Nijmegen, NL
- -) MPIfR Bonn, D
- -) Astron, NL
- -) IPE, FZK, D

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# → Development of a new detection technique!

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### **Evolution of LOPES**

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0 W->E Direction

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# LOPES: Proof of principle

#### 2. Radio data analysis

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5. Publication LOPES collaboration, Nature 425 (2005) 313

#### **1. KASCADE measurement**

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#### 3. Skymapping

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#### 4. Many events

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#### LOPES 30 event example

-radio reconstruction inclusive calibration factors of antennas →CC-beam value (per event) → Field strength (per antenna)

$$cc[t] = + \sqrt{\left|\frac{1}{N_{Pairs}}\sum_{i=1}^{N-1}\sum_{j>i}^{N}s_{i}[t]s_{j}[t]\right|}$$

(degree of correlation  $\rightarrow$  extract coherent pulse):

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W->F Direction

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#### **Radio from Air Showers**

# ~3-4000 cosmic ray events unambiguously detected by

LOPES CODALEMA Radio Prototypes@Auger AERA TREND ANITA Tunka-Rex

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(and of course the historical experiments, partly re-analyzed: MSU, Yakutsk, e.g.)

#### →Now: do we understand the signals?

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**EAS Radio detection** 

- as new CR detection technique established E<sub>threshold</sub> ≈ 10<sup>17</sup>eV
- emission mechanism(s) are understood
- successful and sensitive to
  - primary energy  $\varepsilon \sim E_0^{\gamma} (\gamma \approx 1) \Delta E/E \sim 20-25\%$
  - arrival direction beam forming resolution better 1°
  - composition LDF-slope; wave front △A/A (~ to fluorescence?!)

# suitable for hybrid measurements ? **yes**!! As stand-alone technique? will see!!

Next: AERA@Pierre Auger Observatory / LOFAR / Tunka-Rex / ANITA-CR optimization / TREND / IceCube surface Radio Array = RASTA / Yakutsk

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### 30 March 2009 – official closure ceremony

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### COSMIC REVELATION

#### AN ART & SCIENCE COOPERATION

#### KASCADE

MULTI-DETECTOR SETUP FOR MEASURING EXTENSIVE AIR SHOWERS

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#### COSMIC MIRROR

LIGHTBASED ARTWORK FOR VISUALISATION OF COSMIC RAYS

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## **Cosmic Revelation**

an example of a highly recognized outreach project at KASCADE

NATURE|Vol 458|16 April 2009

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Project is continued: now mainly at art events, exhibitions, etc

More information: Tim Otto Roth's webpage:

www.imachination.net

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# The facility KASCADE-Grande:LOPESCROMETAUWERHiSparcLightning

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TAUWER: Tau Neutrino shower detection

Goal: Muon/Electron separation sensitivity

Partners: Univ Roma La Sapienza

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HiSPARC: School project for cosmic ray air shower detection

Goal: Energy calibration of small EAS

Partners: NIKHEF Nijmegen/Amsterdam

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lightning: Lightning mapping array

Goal: - correlation lightning-EAS - lightning data for LOPES

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Partners: Paul Krehbiel, US

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# EAS Radio detection in GHz range: CROME

core distances between 80m and 150m
 ring structure hints towards Cherenkov cone

REAS3 simulations predict such a ring structure in the GHz-frequency range

Iron primary Total field strength Simulated with REAS3

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#### F.Werner – CROME; ARENA conf 2012

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#### **KASCADE-Grande: Next**

#### • KASCADE + KASCADE-Grande finally closed end 2012 now dismantled

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• combined analysis for coherent spectrum and composition 10<sup>14</sup>-10<sup>18</sup> eV

 detailed data analysis (20y high-quality data) testing hadronic interaction models anisotropy studies radio (LOPES and CROME)

KCDC
 KASCADE Cosmic ray Data Centre

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### https://kcdc.ikp.kit.edu/

 KCDC = publishing research data from the KASCADE experiment

• Motivation and Idea of Open Data: general public has to be able to access and use the data the data has to be preserved for future generations

#### • Web portal:

providing a modern software solution for publishing KASCADE data for a general audience In a second step: release the software as Open Source for free use by other experiments

Data access:

**1.6-10<sup>8</sup> EAS events of first data release is now available** 

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#### **KASCADE-Grande: Mission Accomplished !!**

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open access to research data https://kcdc.ikp.kit.edu

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#### Summary

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#### answers only by combining all information: stay tuned!

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#### • expectations on spectral features in transition region?

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#### ideal accelerator experiment for cosmic ray physics?

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- why radio could be better than fluorescence?
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  - anisotropy
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- why radio could be better than fluorescence?
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  - 95% duty cycle
  - weather independent
  - cheaper (larger area)

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