



Discussion Sessions – new IACT Array for multi-TeV astronomy

1. Plans/directions of various active groups

- G. Rowell (for Adelaide)
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- T. Yoshikoshi
-others

2. IACT-Array More Technical issues (Friday)

- telescope spacing
- optimal cell spacing



Adelaide Plans

- Goal: IACT Array for $E > 1$ TeV studies located in Australia
Emphasis on multi-TeV astrophysics
Multi-cell philosophy – sensitivity AND collection area in the 1–100 TeV regime.
- Why Australia?
Southern Hemisphere (access many galactic objects)
HESS shows the way....
Low altitude sites are perfect for $E > 1$ TeV
- Complimentary to others' future plans
HESS-II, MAGIC, VERITAS....
(optimised for lower energies)
- Timeframe: aim to commence first cell in a few years.....



1. Multi-TeV IACT Array

- Essential (for astrophysics): collection area $\geq 10 \text{ km}^2$ at 10 to 100 TeV
plus $\geq 1 \text{ km}^2$ at few TeV (balance between deep studies at few TeV & discovery at $> 10 \text{ TeV}$). Large instantaneous FoV essential for transients
Field of view $\geq \sim 8 \text{ deg}$ for extended sources & background estimation
in complex fields. Angular resolution should be similar to HEGRA & HESS
 - > pixel sizes 0.25 to 0.5 deg are sufficient
 - > camera pixels ~ 500 to 1000

Array Layout

- **Stephane**: GRATIS high density regular – excellent ang res but lower A_{eff}
TALE : low density array (ultra-wide FoV higher price)
- **Gavin**: Cell-based approach – different baselines for various energies
(intra-cell 300m for few TeV, intercell 1km for 100 TeV
(Gus – graded array design)
- **Taka** – optimum baseline increases with energy...10 TeV spacing $> 500\text{m}$
Prototype telescope development: Gas PMTs QE $\sim 10\%$ now
- telescopes on rails...

Site – Australian sites feasible – investigate SKA piggyback

White paper (US) on future of ground-based TeV astro worth targeting