

High Energy data in the Virtual Observatory

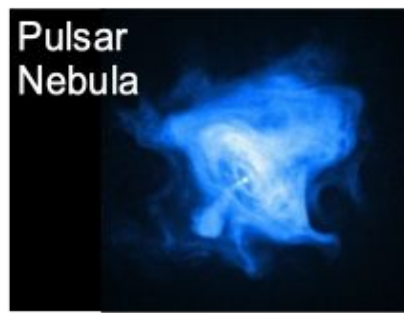
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with work during several European projects

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Pulsar



Pulsar
Nebula



Starburst



Active
Galactic Nuclei



Supernova



Nova



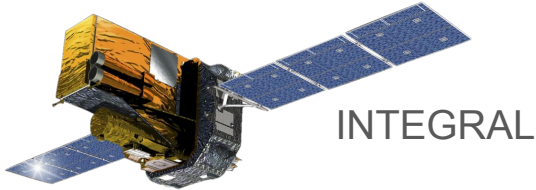
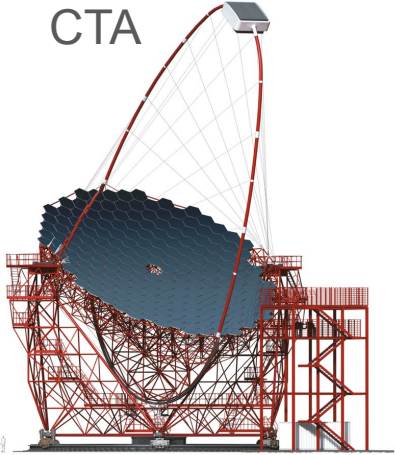
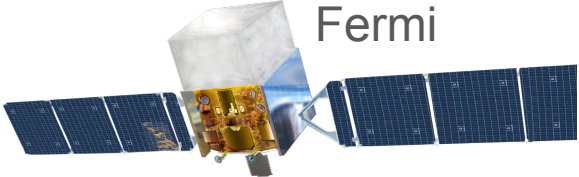
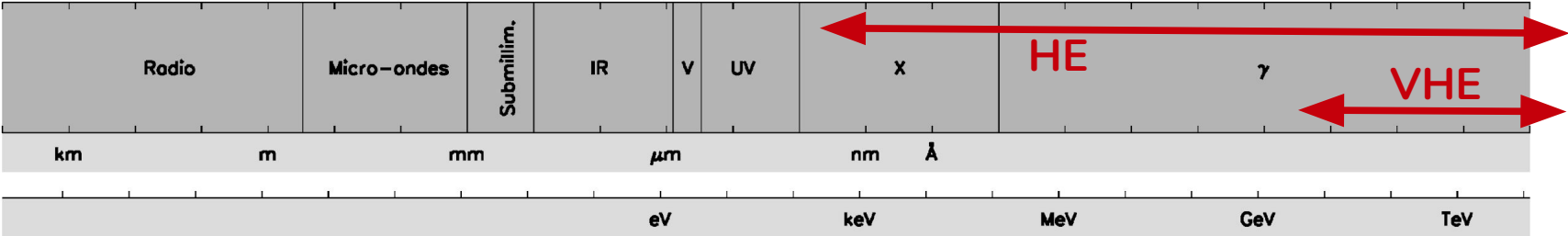
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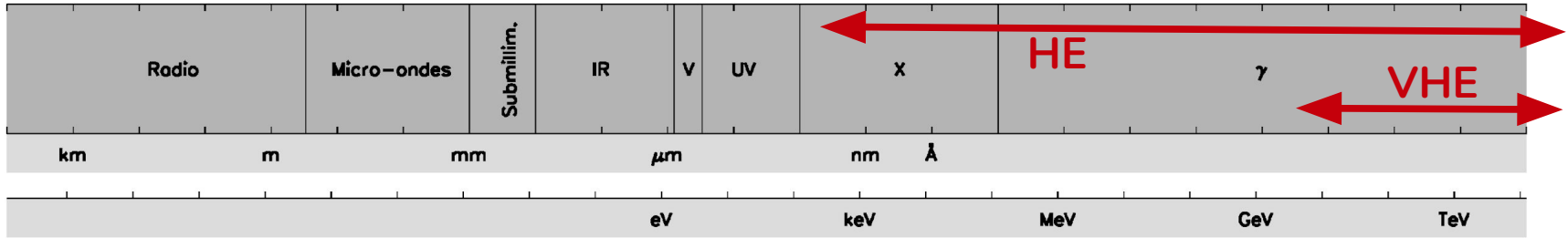
Gamma-Ray
Burst

- ◆ Violent, transient, non-thermal phenomena
- ◆ Matter under extreme conditions
- ◆ Particle Acceleration
- ◆ Fundamental Physics
- ◆ Role of Black Holes in the structuration of the Universe

High Energy Astrophysics

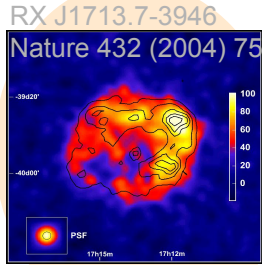


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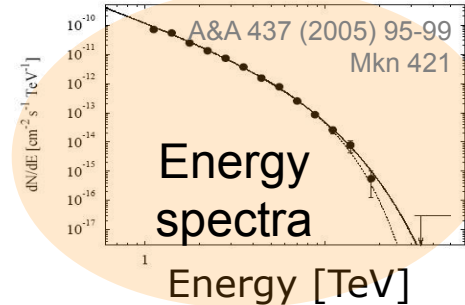
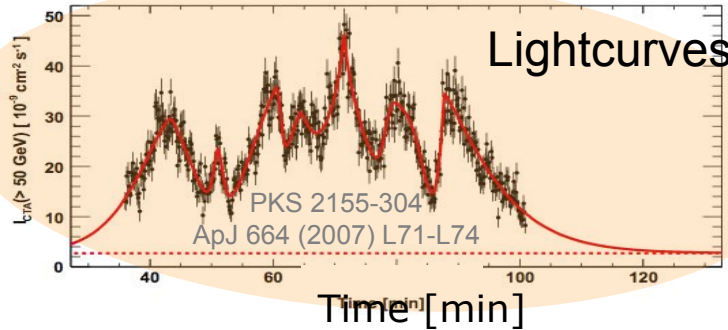


Several orders of magnitude - Event **counting** - Low count **statistics** - High background

→ **Event lists** (coordinates, time, energy)



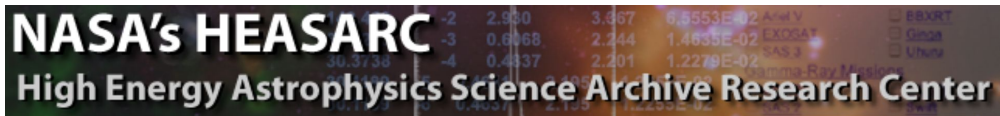
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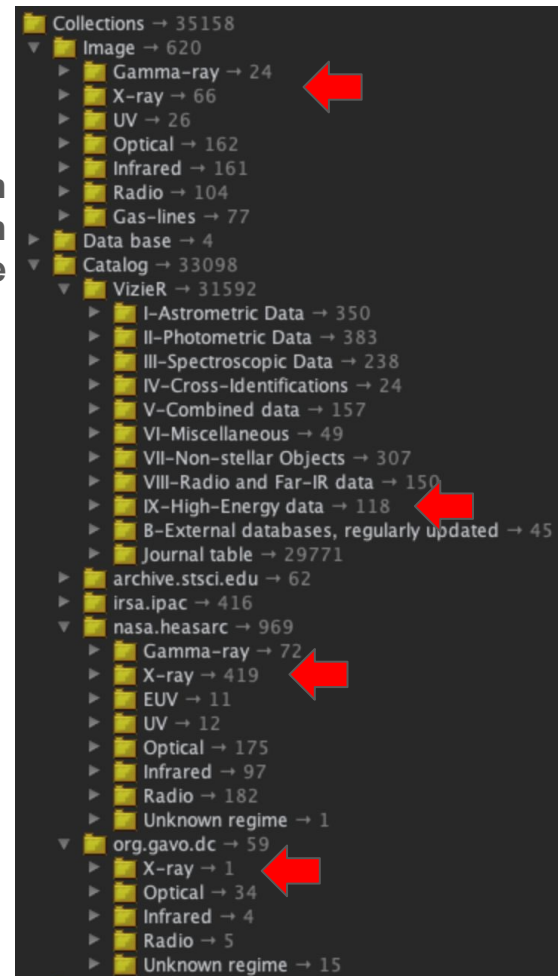
+ **multi-messenger data** (photons, cosmic rays, neutrinos, gravitational waves...)

Current High Energy data in the VO

- Images
 - Fermi Full Sky, eRosita, XMM-Newton, H.E.S.S. galactic plane
- Catalogs
 - VizieR dedicated section
 - NASA HEASARC (many legacy archives)
 - Generally catalogs of sources
- SIA/TAP services
 - High level data, catalogs, proposals, ...



Aladin
Search
Tree



A long way

It's a Long Way... from Private Ground-based Gamma-ray Data to Public Release: Open-data, Open-source Tools, First Real TeV Data Release from H.E.S.S.

[C. Boisson et al. 2020, ADASS XXVII Santiago, ASPC 522 497B]

- Imaging Atmospheric Cherenkov Telescopes
- Gamma **data format** initiative
- **Open tools** for analysis

→ A story of the relations between Cherenkov observatories and the IVOA



2012-2014



2015-2019



2019-2023

Cherenkov Astronomy



MAGIC: located in La Palma, Spain
Since 2004: single 17m telescope
Since 2009: system of two 17m telescopes



VERITAS: located in Mt Hopkins, Arizona
Since 2007: four 12m telescopes
Since 2012: upgraded PMTs

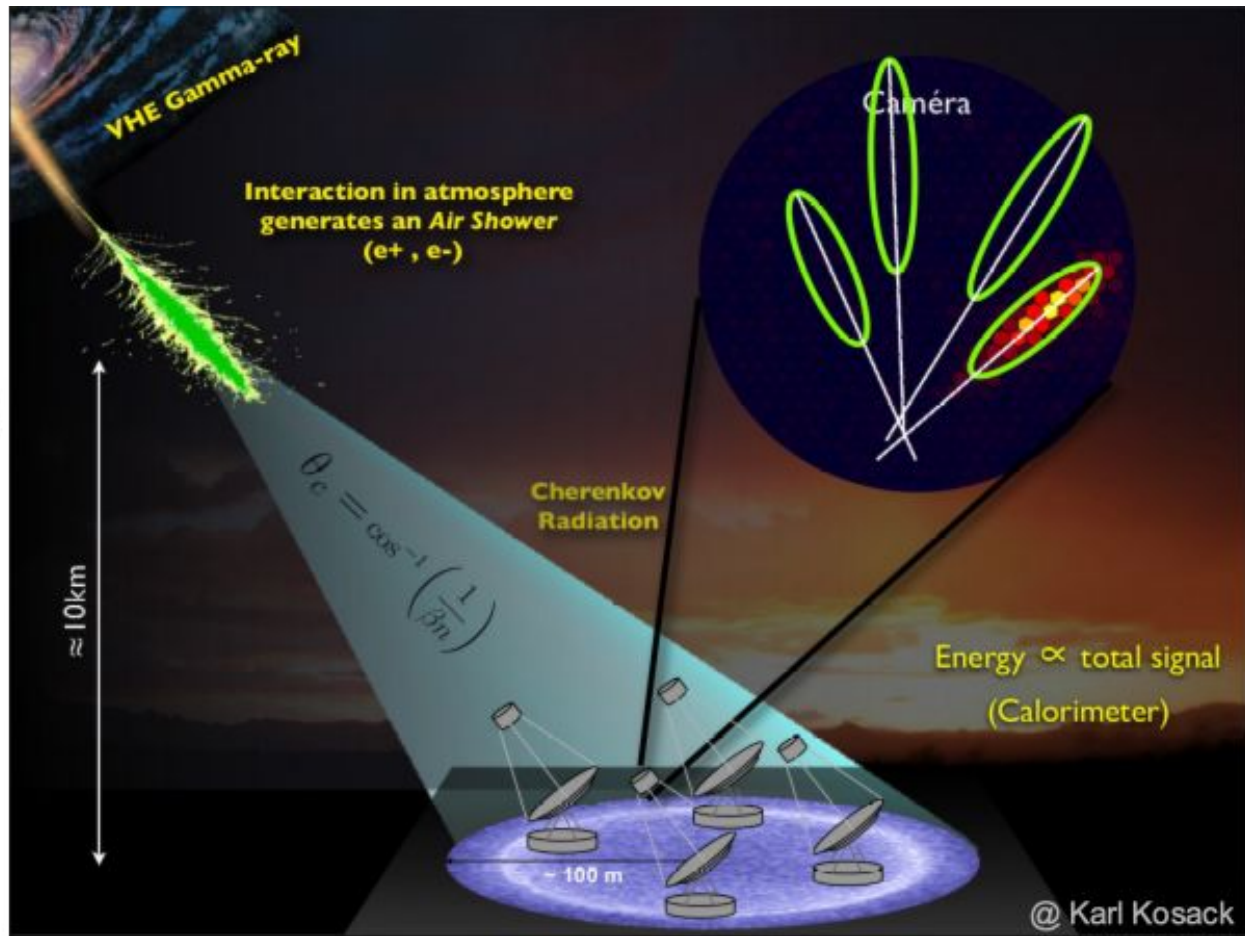


H.E.S.S.: located in Khomas Highlands, Namibia
Since 2002: four 12m telescopes
Since 2012: added 32m by 24m telescope
Since 2015: camera upgrades on 12m telescopes

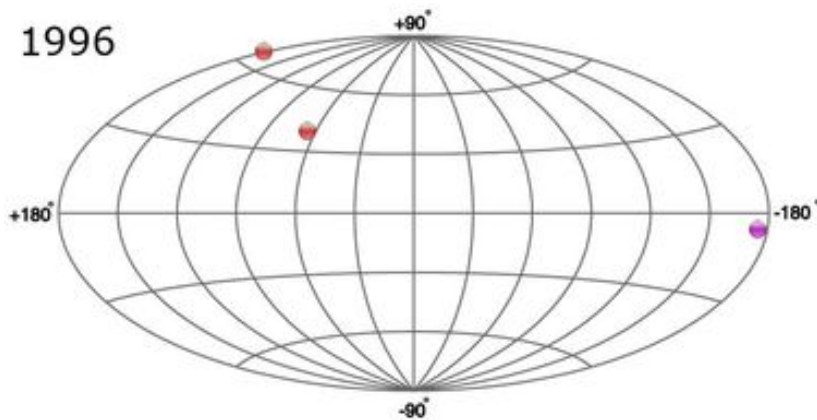
@ Jeff Grube

Cherenkov Astronomy Principles

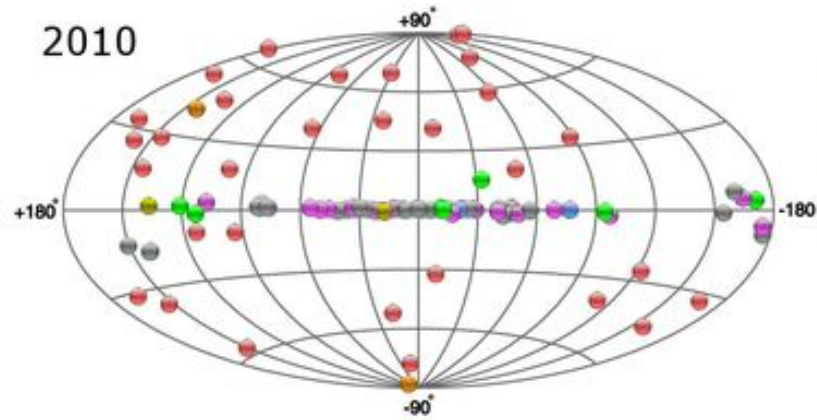
- ◆ **Dark nights** (small duty cycle)
- ◆ **Event Reconstruction:** photon, particle shower, Cherenkov light (faint, few nanoseconds)
- ◆ **Atmosphere = calorimetre** Simulations, assumptions
- ◆ **Complex Metadata,** need to be structured



1996



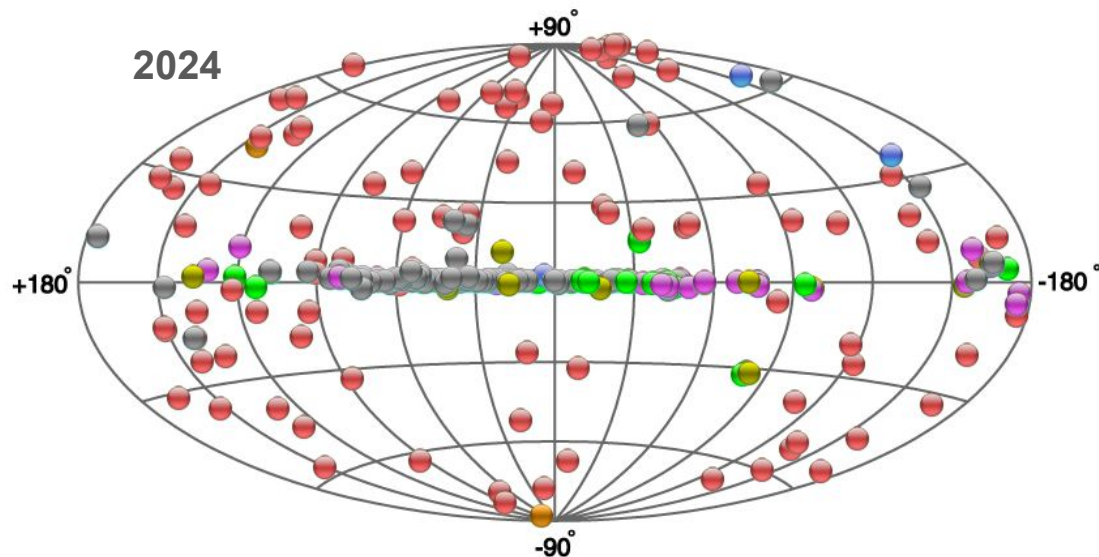
2010



Source Types

- PWN
- XRB PSR Gamma BIN
- HBL IBL FIR FSRQ LBL
- Shell
- Starburst
- DARK UNID Other
- uQuasar Cat. Var. BIN WR

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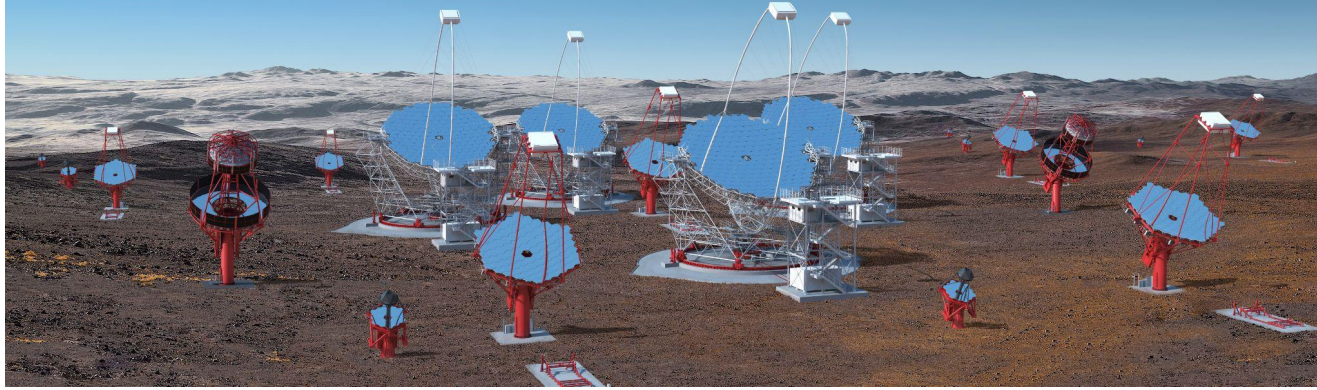


TeVCat2

<http://tevcat2.uchicago.edu/>

H.E.S.S., MAGIC, VERITAS
> 200 sources
energy > 100 GeV

Atacama, Chile



La Palma, Spain



Alpha configuration

CTAO Southern array
51 telescopes over a ~3 km² area

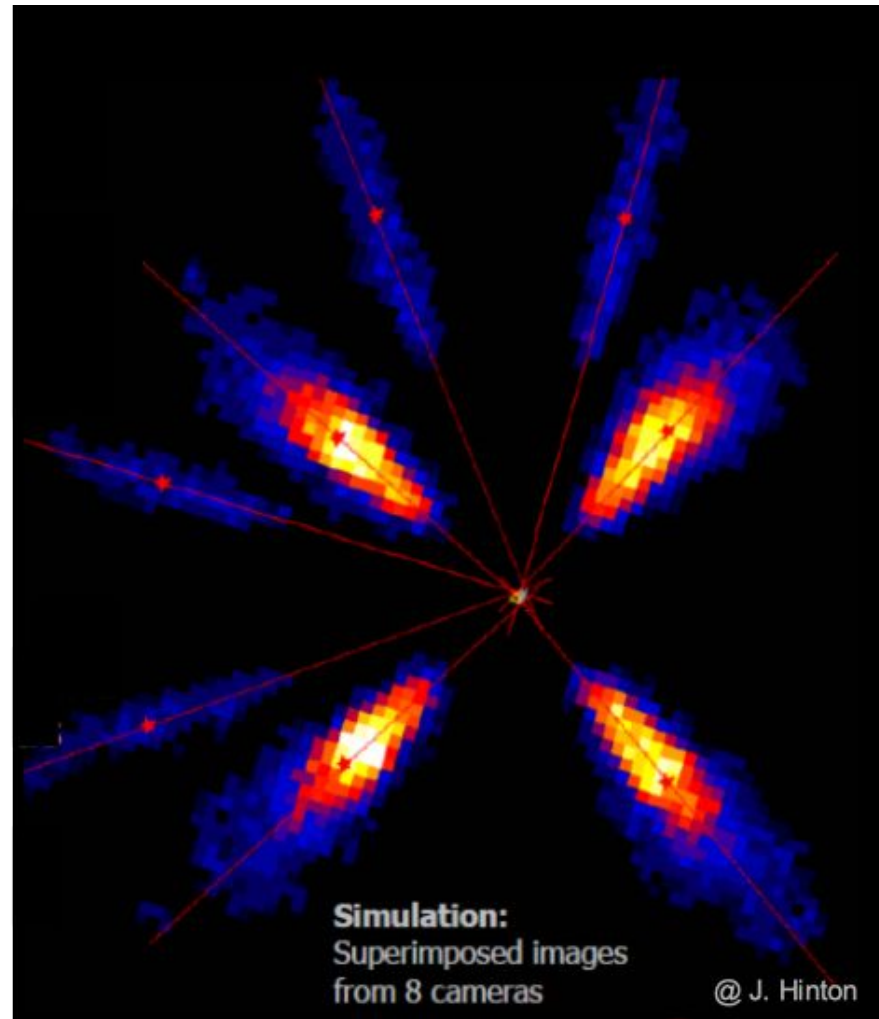
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37 Small-Sized Telescopes (SST)

CTAO Northern array
13 telescopes distributed over an
area of about 0.5 km²

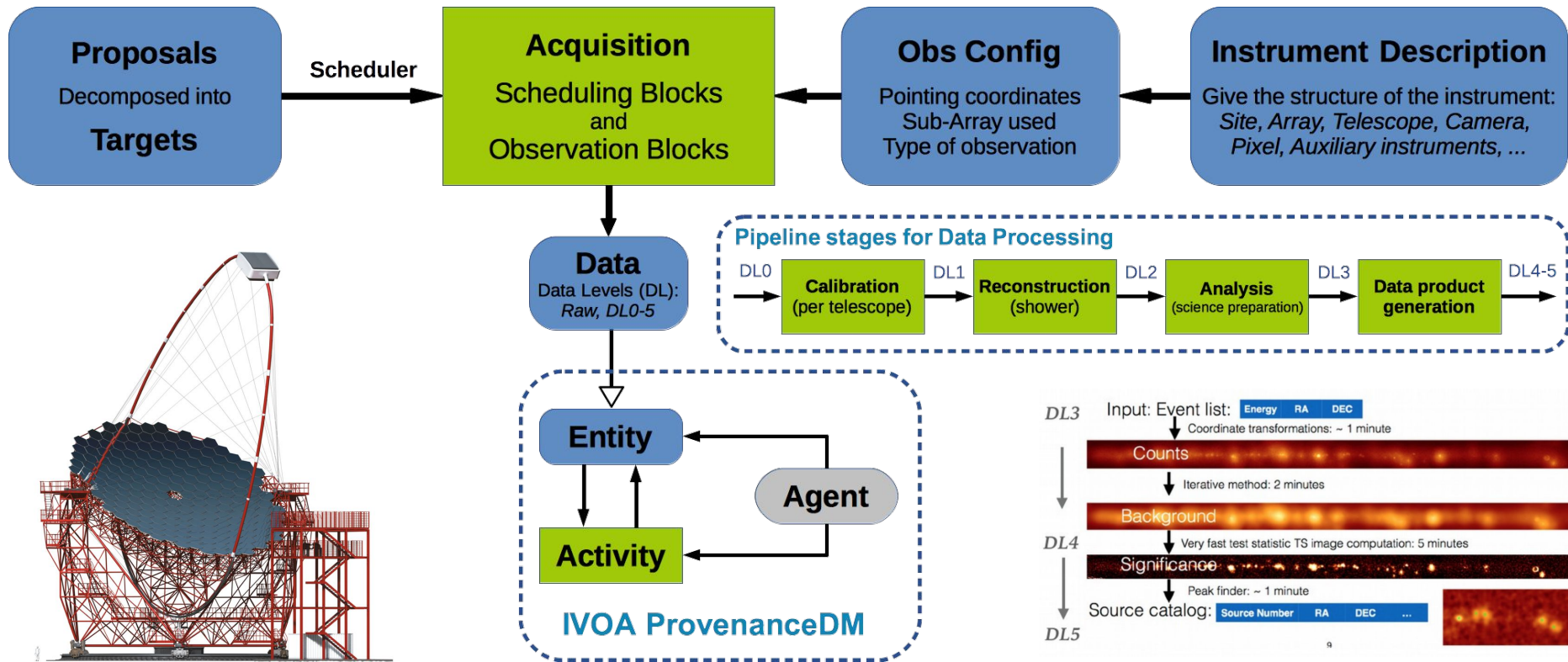
4 Large-Sized Telescopes (LSTs)
9 Medium-Sized Telescopes (MSTs)



- ◆ **Larger** collection area for gamma-rays
 - ◆ **More events**, more photons
 - ◆ Better spectra, images, fainter sources
- ◆ **Better** events
 - ◆ More precise measurements of atmospheric cascades and hence primary gammas
 - ◆ Improved **angular** resolution
 - ◆ Improved **energy** resolution
 - ◆ Improved **background rejection** power

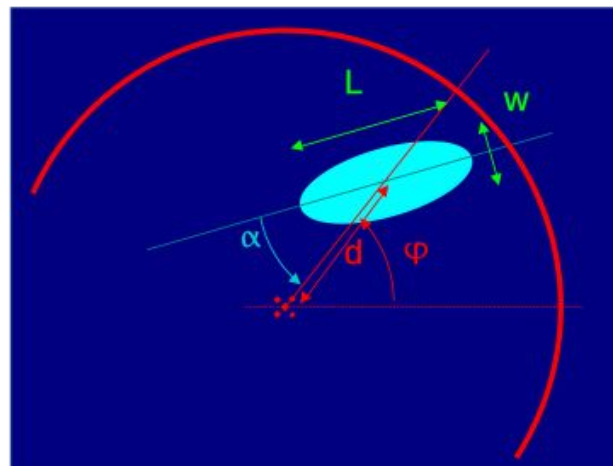
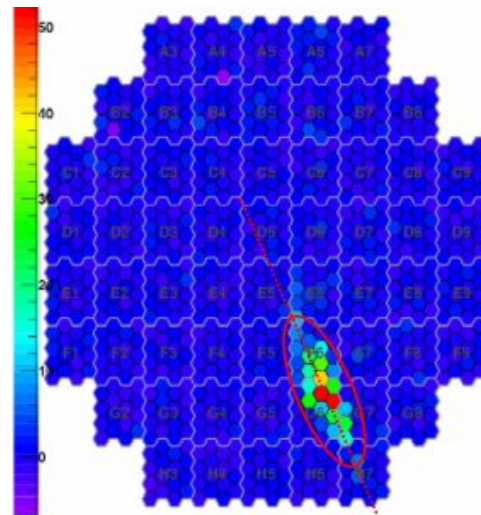


CTA Master Configuration Data Model



Reconstruction phase

- ◆ **Hillas Parameters** (1984)
 - ◆ Shower images are **elliptical**
 - ◆ A **few** parameters:
 - ◆ Length (L) & Width (W)
 - ◆ Nominal Distance (d)
 - ◆ Azimuthal angle (φ)
 - ◆ Orientation angle (α)
 - ◆ Amplitude (size)
 - ◆ Additional parameters: asymmetry, ...
- ◆ **Advanced methods**
 - ◆ 3D model
 - ◆ Fit to simulated images



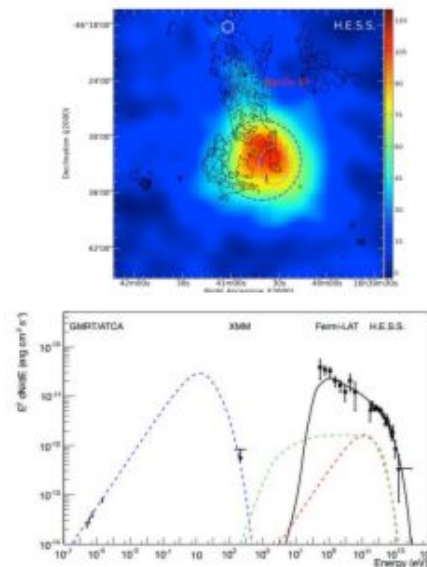
Analysis: producing images, spectra, light-curves

- ◆ **Event lists** (not necessarily gamma-rays!)
- ◆ **Instrument Response Function**
- ◆ **TECH tables**: atmosphere and data-quality measurements, → good time intervals, ...

- ◆ **Background dominated**
 - ◆ Even after stereo-reconstruction, hadron rejection is not 100% efficient
 - ◆ Therefore we can only talk **statistically** about gamma rays!
 - ◆ Use **likelihood** methods: model background, source assumption, Poisson statistics...

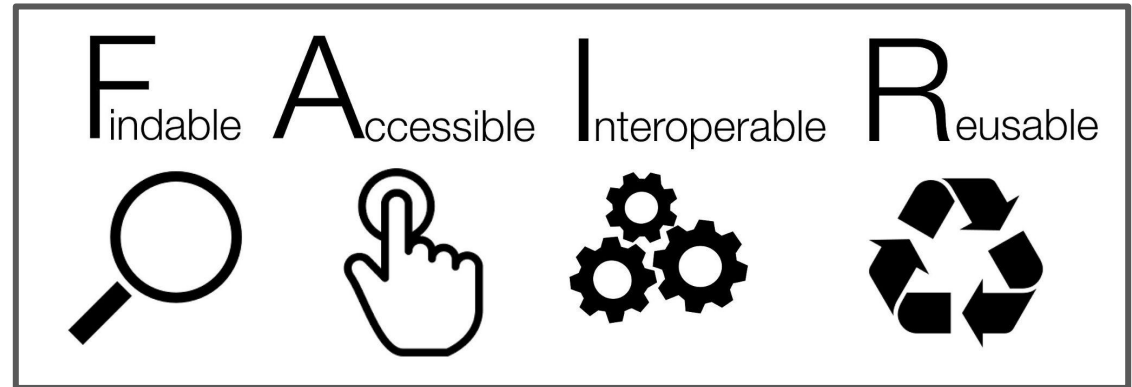
- ◆ **Source confusion**
 - ◆ Large PSF
 - ◆ Many sources are not point-like

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600	130.23	-36.2	322.1	45.1	0.242
620	120.124	-33.33	312	45.7	0.434
640	121.1	-34.1	323.4	43.0	35.0
720	123.23	-28.1	322.1	43.5	0.401
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Open Observatory and Open Science

CTA will operate as an **open observatory** and will provide data to the scientific community. In the context of **Open Science**, the data provided by CTA must follow the **FAIR Guiding Principles** for scientific data management:



See e.g. Servillat et al. 2022, ADASS XXXI, ASP Conference Series
"FAIR high level data for Cherenkov astronomy"
<https://hal-obspm.ccsd.cnrs.fr/obsprm-03516688>

F = Findable



International Virtual Observatory Alliance (IVOA) standards tailored to make data findable:

- IVOA Observation Data Model Core Components (**ObsCore**)

[\[link to IVOA REC\]](#) → adapted to Cherenkov data

- IVOA Table Access Protocole (**TAP**)

[\[link to IVOA REC\]](#)

- Deployed service at ObsParis

<https://hess-dr.obspm.fr>

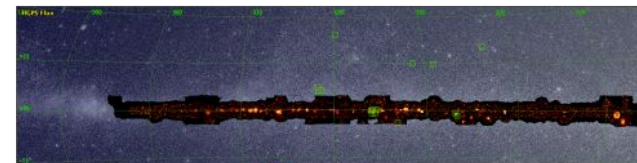
- Registered to the VO **Registry** via PADC (Paris Astronomical Data Centre)

→ **Data widely findable**

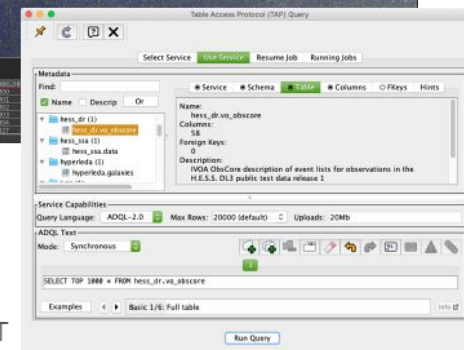
e.g. Aladin, TOPCAT, TapHandle, PyVO...

+ dedicated web pages

TapHandle



Aladin



TOPCAT

F = Findable : generation of an ObsCore Table

Module `ivoa.py` now included in **GammaPy**

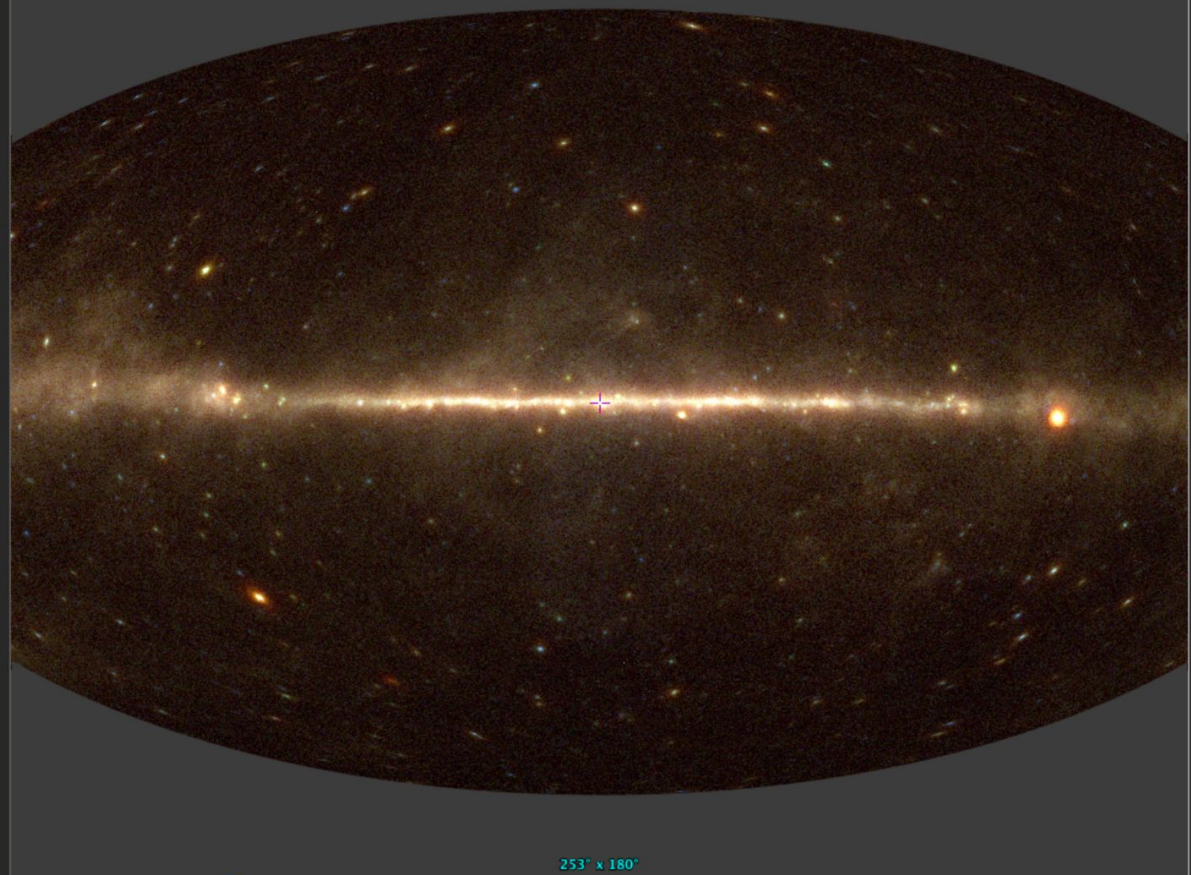
Export of the DataStore into an IVOA ObsCore table with proper metadata to build an IVOA TAP service



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Fermi color



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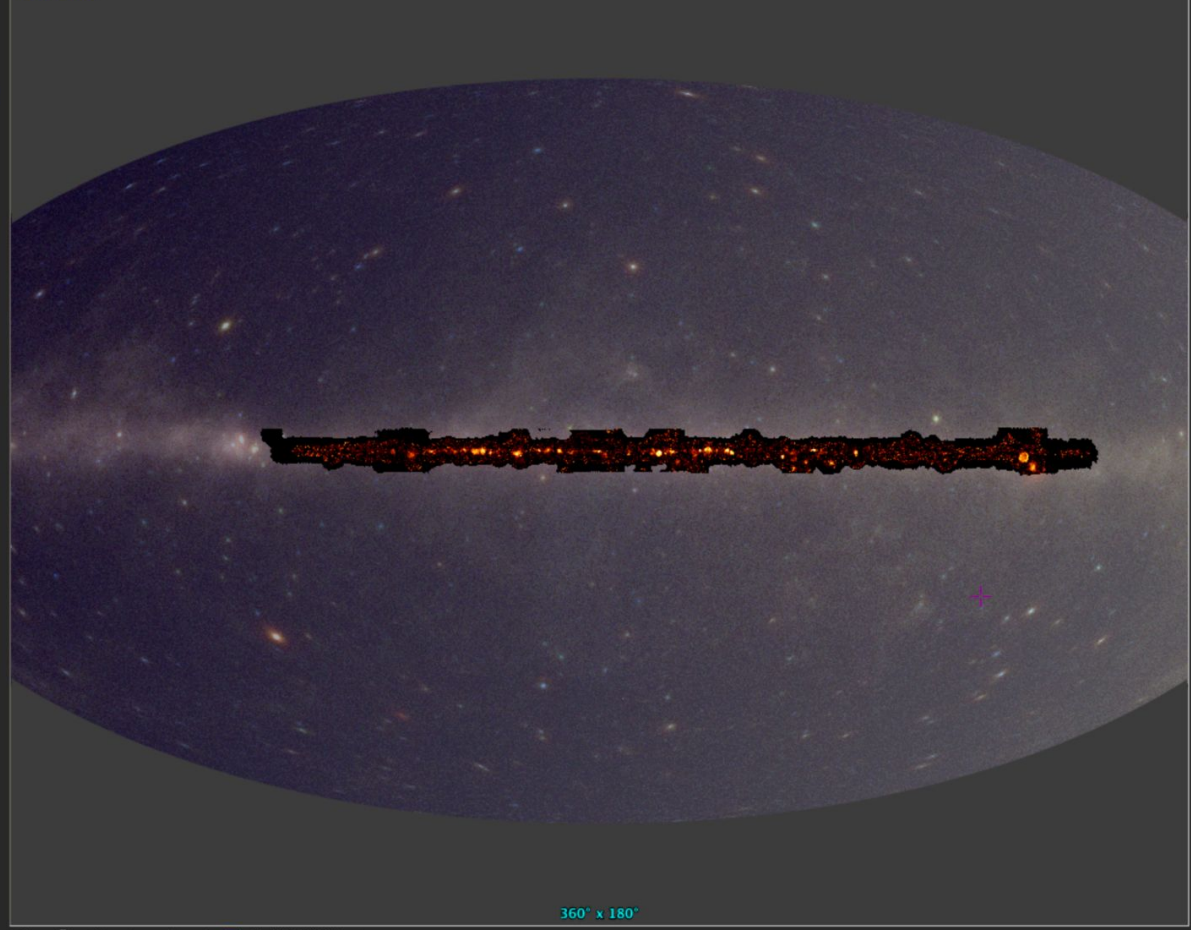
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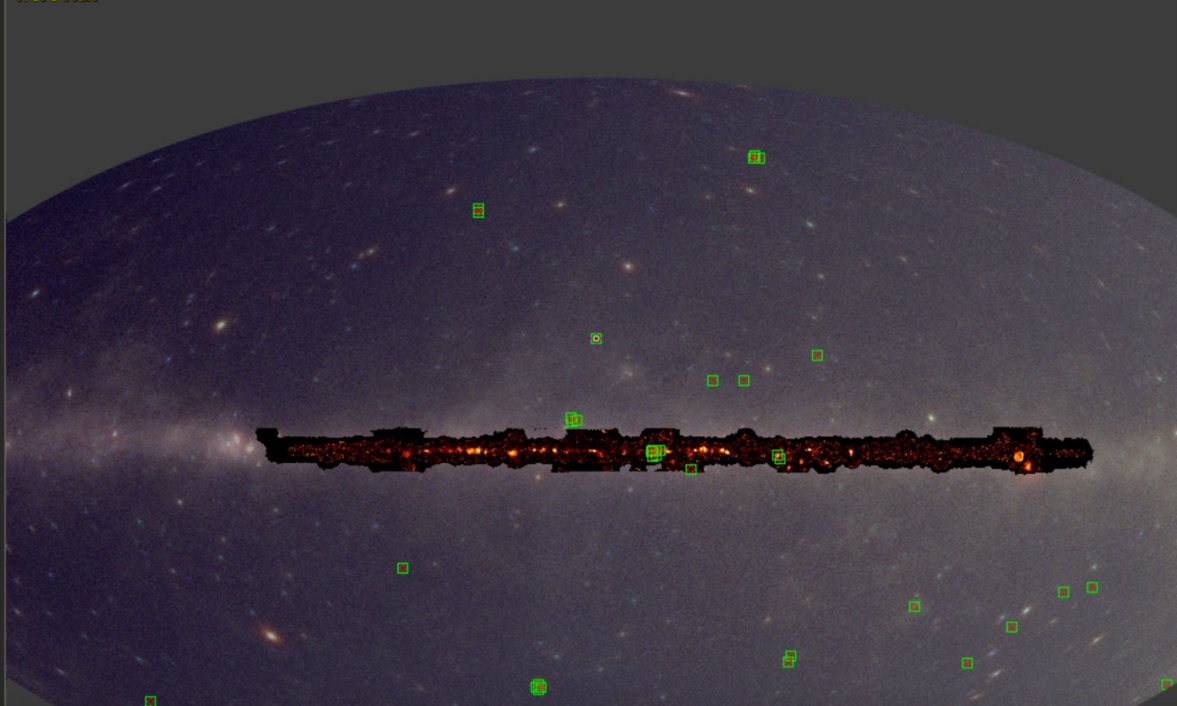
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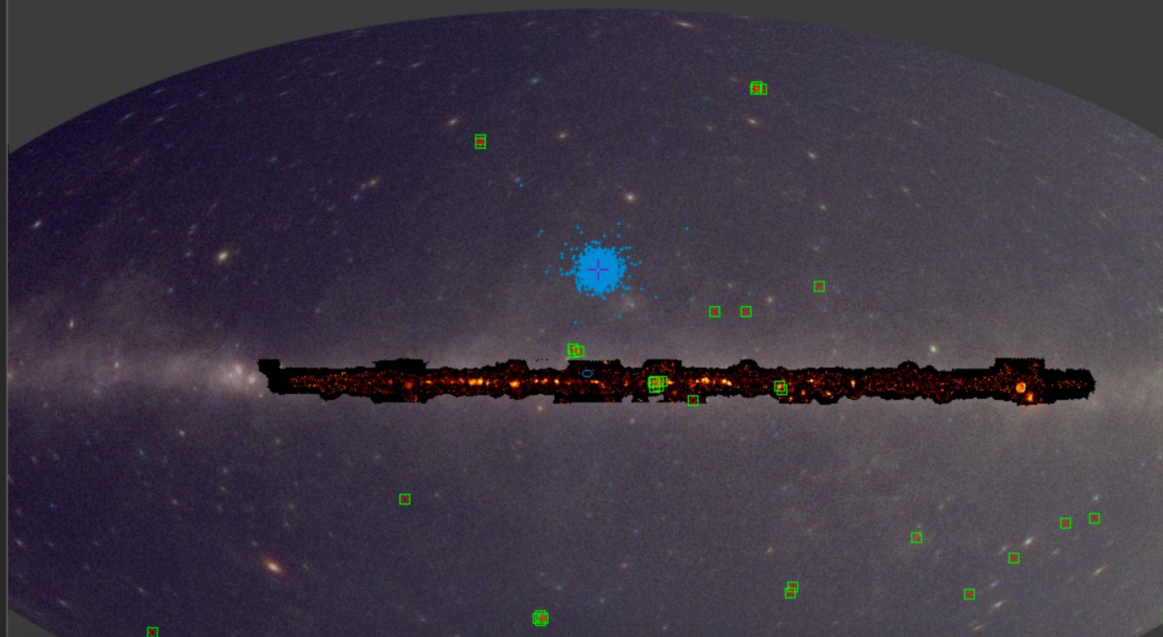
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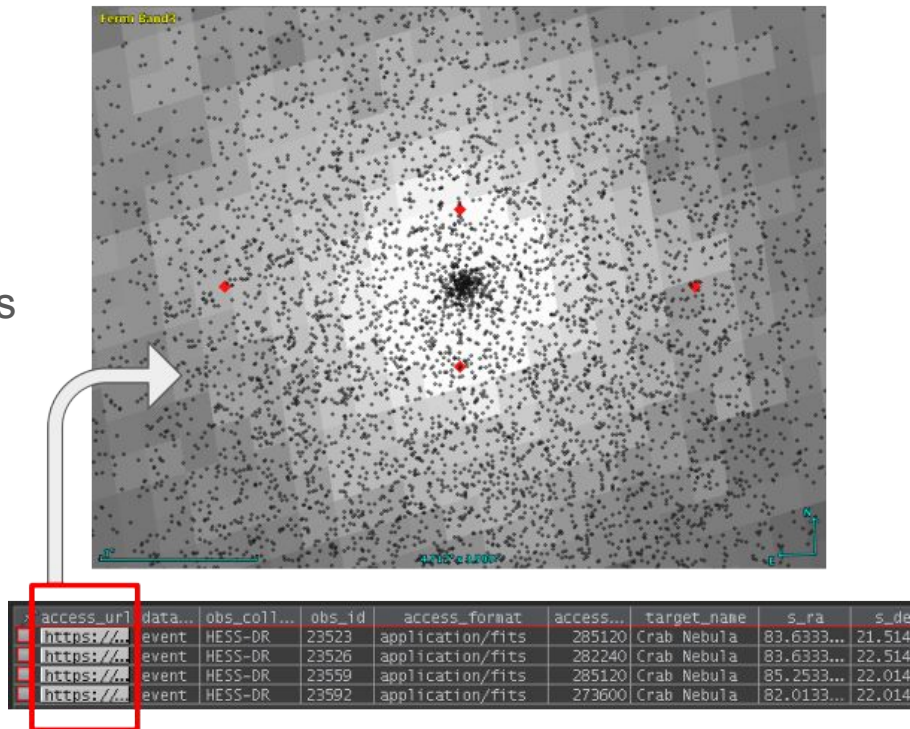
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A = Accessible

- ObsCore `access_url`
 - Direct download link to the FITS file
- IVOA **DataLink** (to be implemented):
 - Access to different storage services
 - Access to analysis services, previews
- **Access rights**
 - Public data: no restrictions
 - Anticipating need for **permissions**:
 - PI proprietary period
 - Federation authentication
 - e.g. IAM ESCAPE service

DL3 event list directly opened in Aladin
(each black dot is an event)



I = Interoperable



A community initiative to define **common data formats for gamma-ray astronomy** based on FITS

<https://vodf.readthedocs.io>

<https://gamma-astro-data-formats.readthedocs.io>

- Includes formats for: event lists, effective area, energy resolution, point spread function, instrumental background...
- More and more used by current instruments: Fermi-LAT, HESS, VERITAS, MAGIC, FACT, ...

Open-source Python package (Astropy affiliated package)

- Core library for the Science Tools of CTA
- Used in the analysis of existing gamma-ray instruments, such as H.E.S.S., MAGIC, VERITAS, HAWC...

FAIR4RS: FAIR Principles for Research Software

→ <https://doi.org/10.15497/RDA00065>

[A&A 625, A10, 2019] [A&A 632, A72, 2019] [A&A 632, A102, 2019]

From F-A-I to FAIR

F-A-I

- Use the **Virtual Observatory standards**, protocols and services
- Define **community standards** where required
- To be discussed soon in projects, but **technical solutions exist**

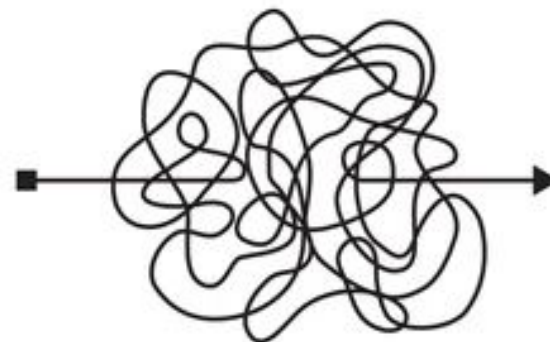
Reusability?

- Based on the **quality / reliability / trustworthiness** of the products
- What calibration was applied? What tools were used and how?
What assumptions were made during the data preparation?
- **Sustainability**: with time, key information may disappear...

Provenance information as an answer to reusability

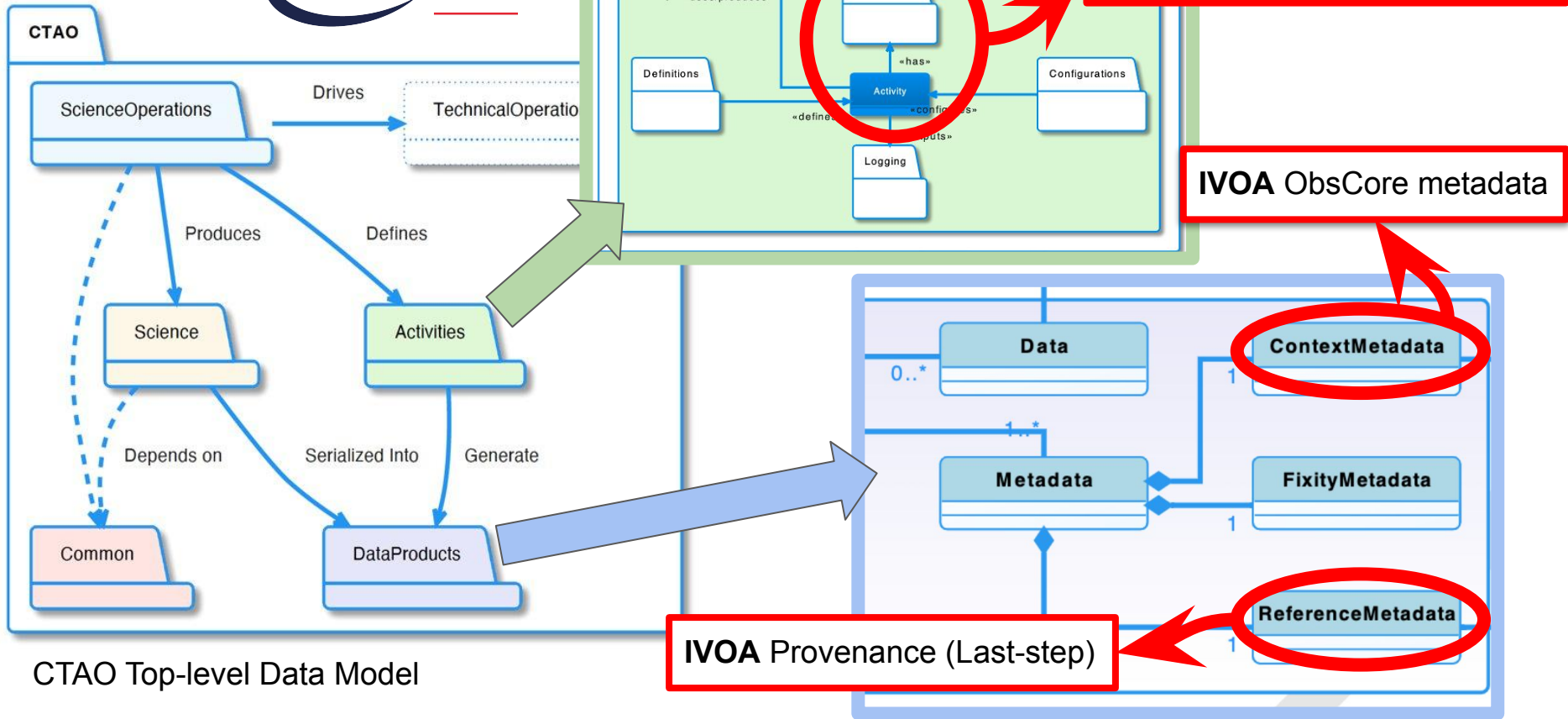
- Need for the **origin, trace**, and detailed manipulations
- Need to **structure** this information
- Need to **keep** it and **link** it to the data

→ **IVOA Provenance standard data model!**





cherenkov
telescope
array



CTAO Top-level Data Model

A long way...

- Interactions between observatories and the IVOA
 - Astronomers and engineers need to be part of IVOA
 - They then need to convince their organisation!
 - And maintain the momentum!
- Early engagement of observatories/facilities
 - Construction and operations = different priorities
 - Seeds in the CTA requirements and data models
 - CTAO involved in ESCAPE open collab., OSTrails...
 - Role of European Projects
 - Role of **OV-France**



HE dedicated workshop at OV-France

- **October 2022 in Strasbourg**
 - <https://indico.obspm.fr/event/1489>
- Continue activities of the **ESCAPE European project** that focused on High Energy Facilities (**2019-2023** H2020 project).
- Bring together representatives of high energy observatories (VHE, HE, GW, neutrino)
- Presentations of HE observatory operations and data:
 - CTA (Mathieu Servillat)
 - Ligo Virgo Kagra (Pierre Chanial)
 - Neutrino (Damien Dornic)
 - XMM & SVOM (Laurent Michel)
 - GADF/VODF (Bruno Khelifi)



HE meeting at IVOA Interop

- **May 2023 at the IVOA Bologna**

- Dedicated talk at the DM session by M. Servillat:
 - https://wiki.ivoa.net/internal/IVOA/IntropMay3023DM/2023-05-11_IVOA_meeting_-_VOHE.pdf
- Fruitful splinter IVOA meeting

- **Creation of HE “Club”**

- IVOA mailing list and wiki page
 - <https://wiki.ivoa.net/twiki/bin/view/IVOA/HEGroup>
- Several online meetings
 - IVOA data models (cube, dataset)
 - Detailed of HE data, with a focus on Instrument Response Functions
- Next call: **April 3rd 16h30**



Second OV-France workshop enlarged to IVOA

- **June 2023 in Paris**

- *IVOA standards for High Energy Astrophysics*
- <https://indico.obspm.fr/event/1963>



- Review of previous documents since 2021

- Focus on **user scenarios** in HE

- Access and Analysis of HE data
- Used IVOA standards
- What specific developments are needed

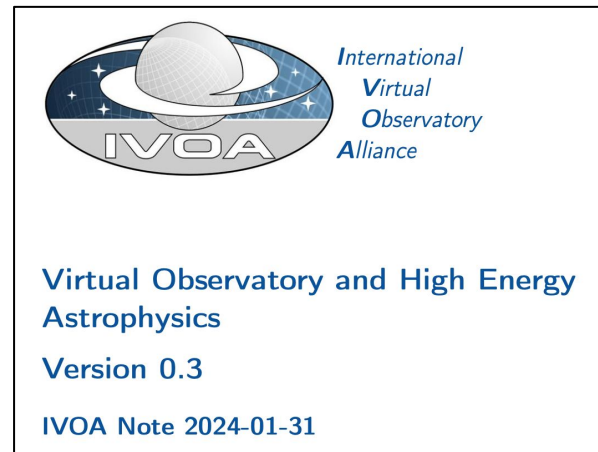
- Prepare an IVOA Note to justify a HE Interest Group

- <https://github.com/ivoa/HighEnergyDataNote>



Content of the Note

- Common practices and concept of event-list
 - **Lower level** dataset, used to generate images, lightcurves, spectra
 - Generally **reprocessed** from **event lists** for a dedicated analysis
 - Calibrated data, but instrument signature not totally removed
 - **Instrument Response Functions (IRFs)** are tightly connected
- Data Discovery
 - **ObsCore** for a HE event list?
 - Possible extension for HE
- An event-ist context data model
 - **Relations** to IRF and Instrument Configuration
- Modelling the content of an event-list
 - Cube and Dataset Data Model



HE “event” in the VO



a HE event is **not** a VOEvent

<https://www.ivoa.net/documents/ObsCore>

event: An event-counting (e.g. X-ray or other high energy) dataset *of some sort*. Typically this is instrumental data, i.e., "event data". An event dataset is *often a complex object* containing multiple files or other substructures. An event dataset *may contain* data with spatial, spectral, and time information for each measured event, although the spectral resolution (energy) is sometimes limited. Event data may be used to produce higher level data products such as images or spectra.

<http://www.ivoa.net/rdf/product-type> (Preliminary)

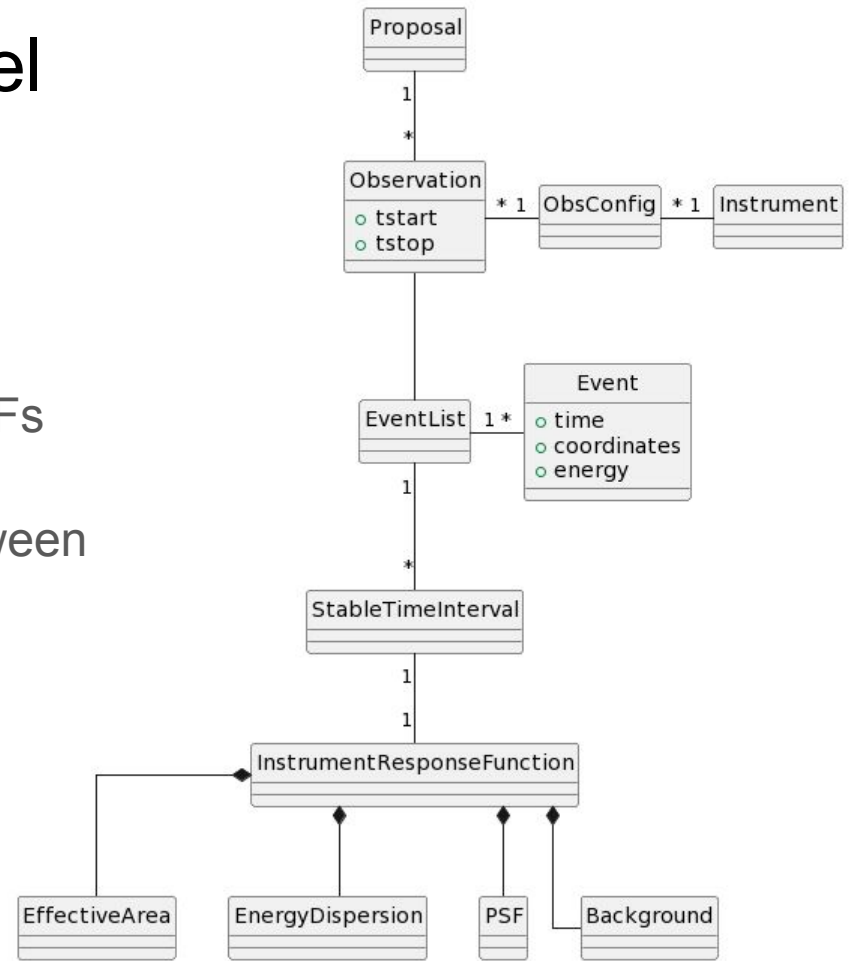
event-list: A collection of observed events, such as incoming high-energy particles. A row in an event list is typically characterised by a spatial position, a time and an energy.

Event-list Context Data Model

- Issue
 - What is really in the event-list dataset?
 - Does it include IRFs? only an event-list?
 - Where can one find the corresponding IRFs?
- Need a way to link an event-list to its IRFs

→ A proper **data model** with relations between those elements would help

→ Possible **ObsCore extension** fields would appear in this data model



Summary and conclusions

- **HE data available** through the VO
- HE domain have **specificities**
 - In particular the concept of **event-list**
 - and **Instrument Response Functions** (IRFs)
- Very limited number of VO services giving access to event-lists
- On the path to build an **HE Interest Group** at IVOA
 - **Session at IVOA Sydney** in May (plenary or with data model)
 - Next call: April 3rd 16h30