

How to Cover 40000 km² with FD?

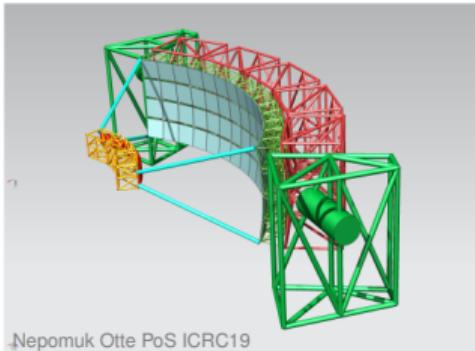
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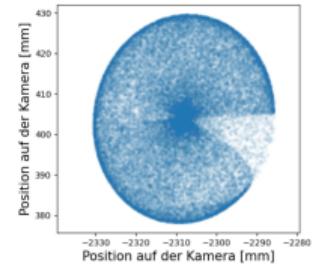
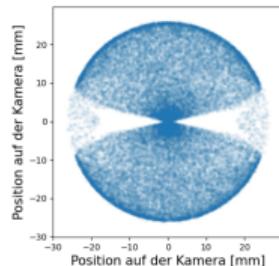
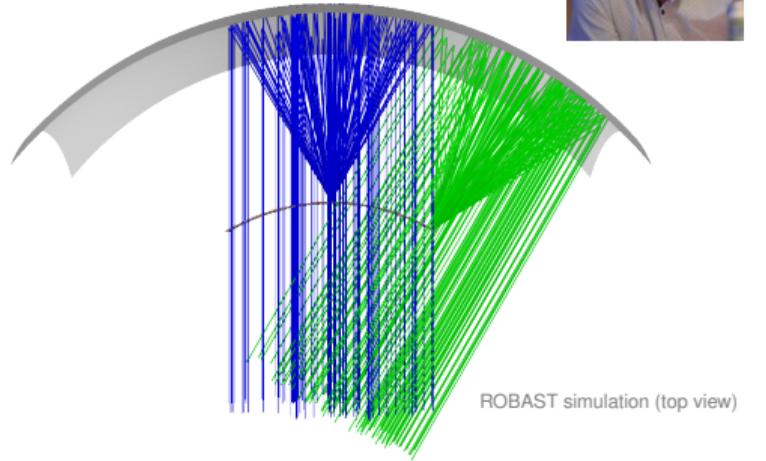
Reminder: “Cyclops” Design



- 10° elevation coverage
- large aperture / small pixels
- based on MACHETE/Trinity design



- Optimization for GCOS at UHE*:
 - $10^\circ \times 60^\circ$ telescopes
 - effective aperture 15 m^2
 - pixel diameter 5.2 cm / 0.6°
 - camera with ~ 1500 SiPMT pixels



* Bachelor Thesis Lukas Scherne (KIT) [Simulation des Fluoreszenzdetektors des Global Cosmic-Ray Observatory](#)

Cyclops vs. Auger/TA vs. FAST/CRAFFT

Signal-to-noise ratio: $(S/N)_{FD} \propto \sqrt{A/\Omega_{pix}}$

(effective aperture A and pixels size Ω_{pix})

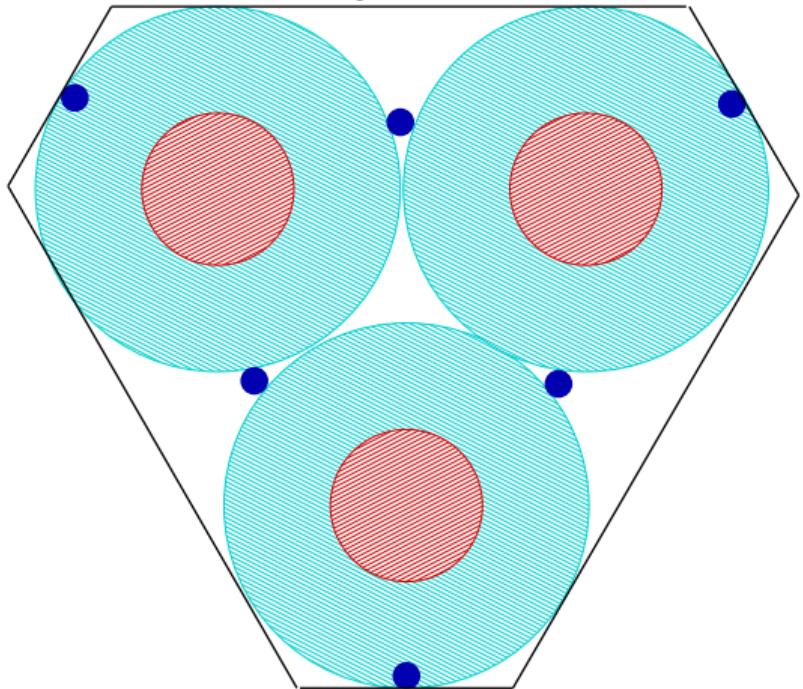
	$\sqrt{A/\Omega_{pix}}/(m/deg)$	R_{max}/km at 10^{20} eV	stations for GCOS	cost/station/M\$	total cost/M\$
Cyclops	13	60	3.5	2	7
Auger	1.2	45	6.3	2.4	15
FAST	0.07	25	20.4	0.4	8

- similar cost for Cyclops and FAST
- simplified maintenance for 3 vs 25 sites
- but additional atmospheric monitoring efforts needed for Cyclops

cost estimates based on Pech+UHECR18 for FAST and arXiv:1907.08727 for cyclops

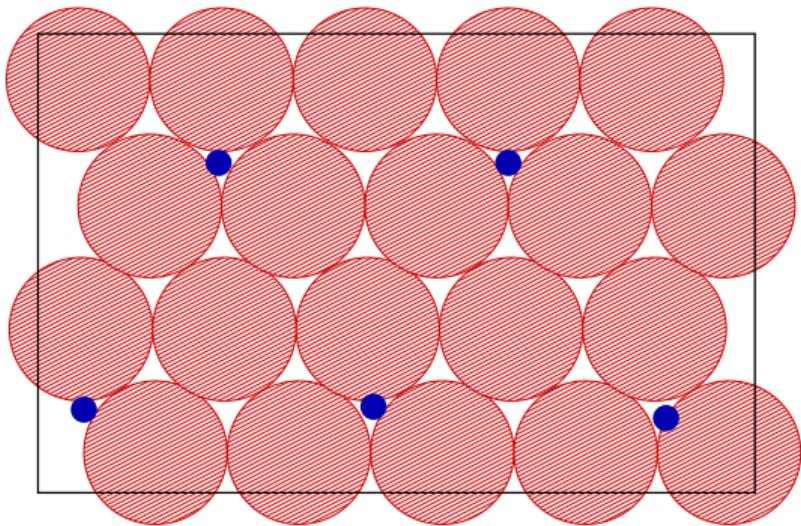
Possible Site Layouts ($40\,000 \text{ km}^2$)

“superman”



~ equilateral triangle, 300 km side length
3 sites with one FAST and cyclops each
~ 6 laser facilities

array of FDs

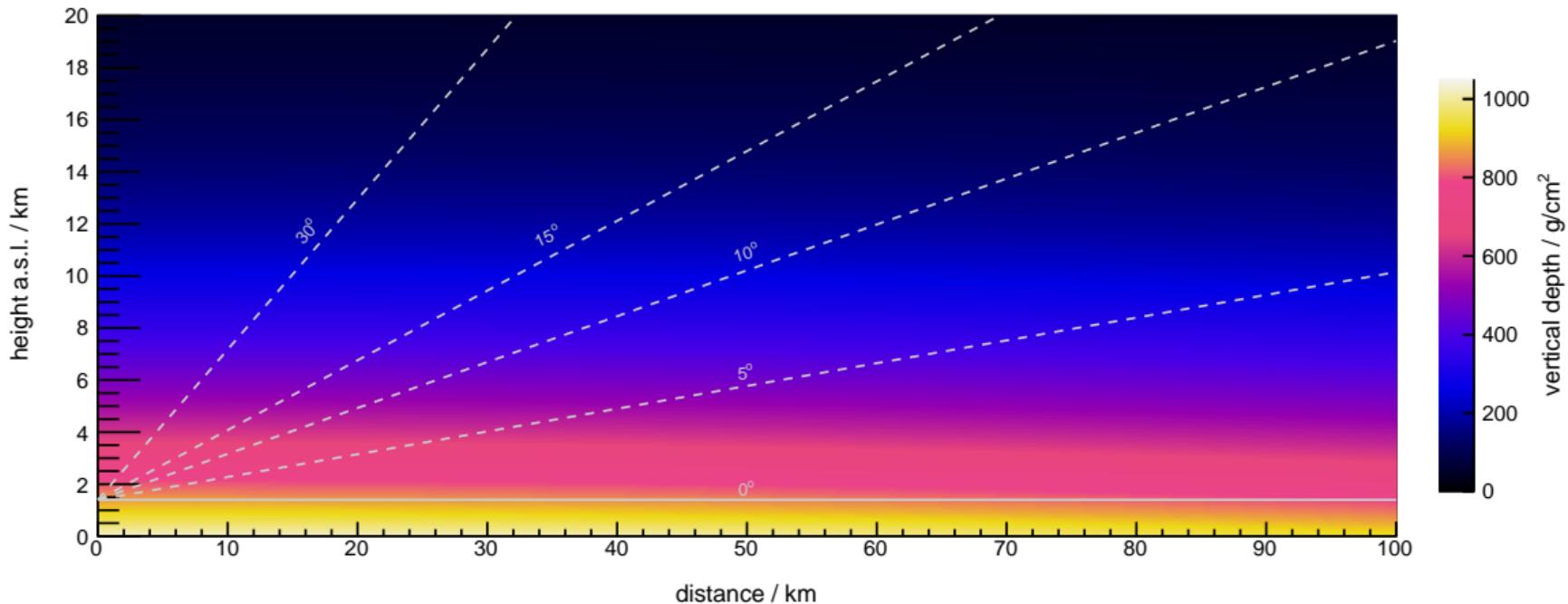


$250 \times 160 \text{ km}^2$ rectangle
20 FAST sites
?? laser facilities

color code: **FAST**, **cyclops**, **laser facility**

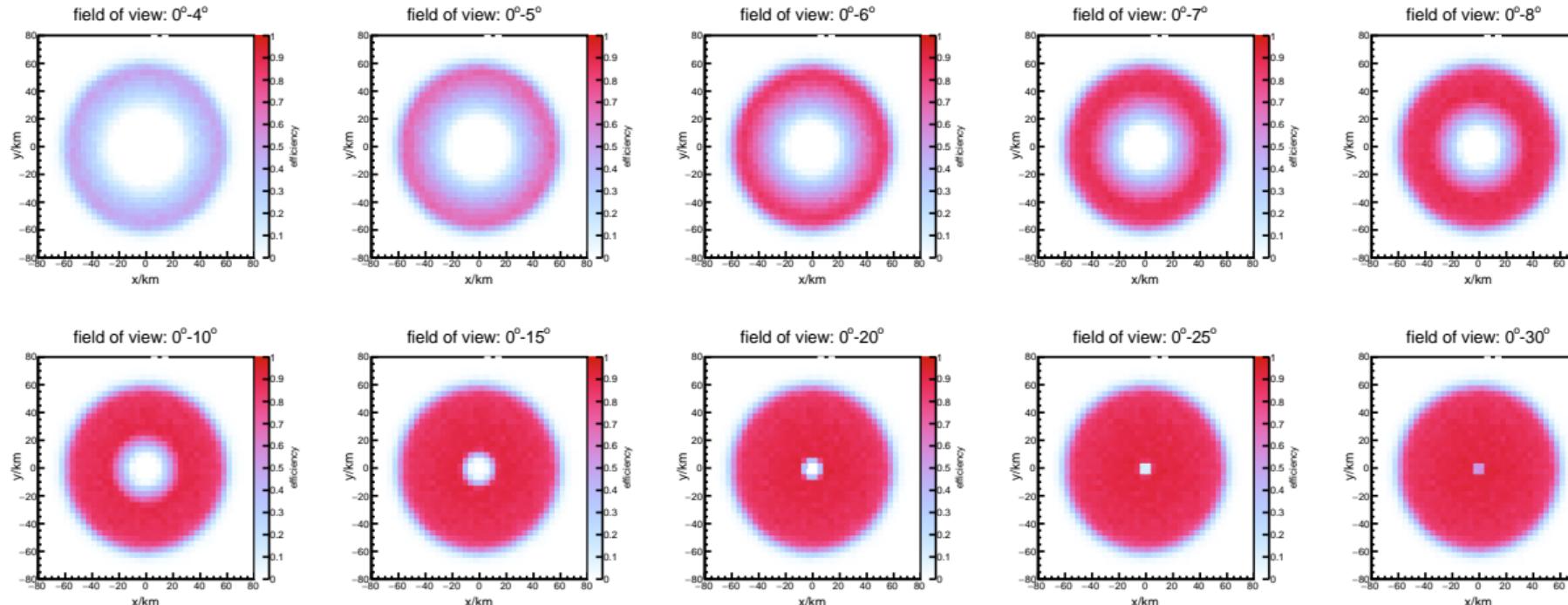
Additional Slides

FD Field of View



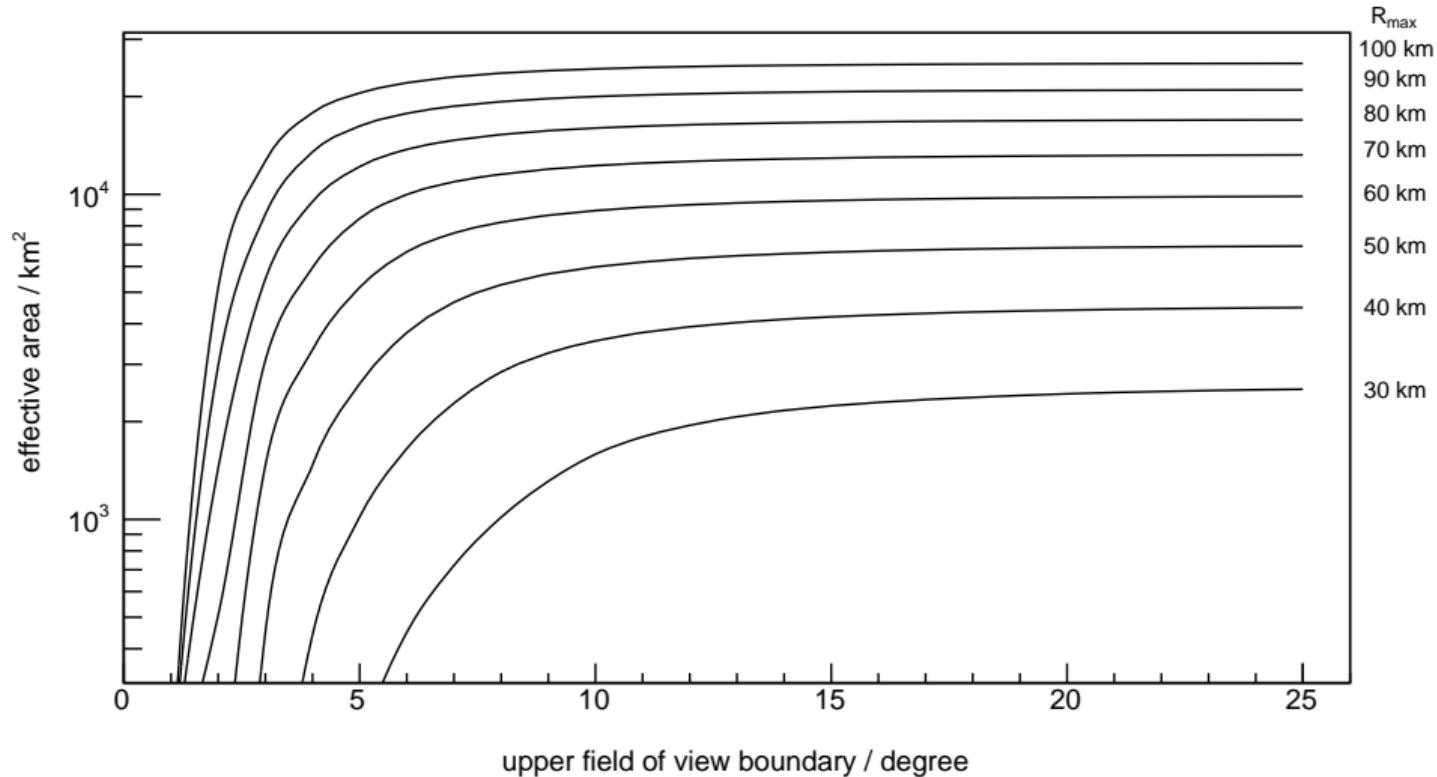
Important range at UHE: $X_{\max} \in (700, 900) \text{ g}/\text{cm}^2$ (slant depth!)

FD Field of View



Cut on viewable range $X_{\text{low}} < 700$, $X_{\text{up}} > 900 \text{ g/cm}^2$

Effective Area vs. Upper Field of View Boundary



small field of view needed at UHE (large R_{\max}), $\alpha_{\max} \lesssim 10^\circ$

Does GCOS need an FD?

- energy calibration (calorimetric energy)
- mass calibration (direct observation of shower maximum)
- hybrid physics (ground densities and longitudinal profile)