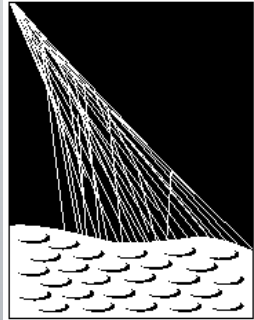


# Auger Radio Detector

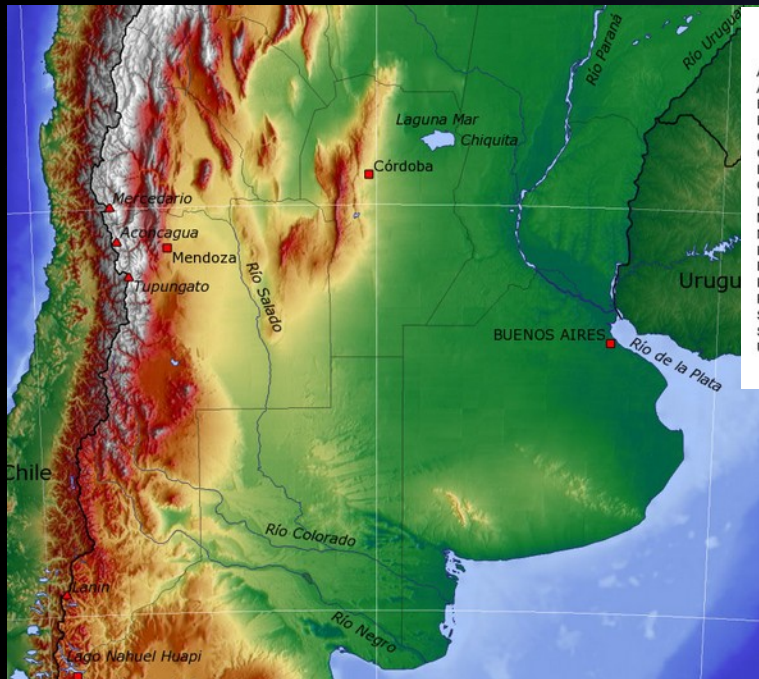


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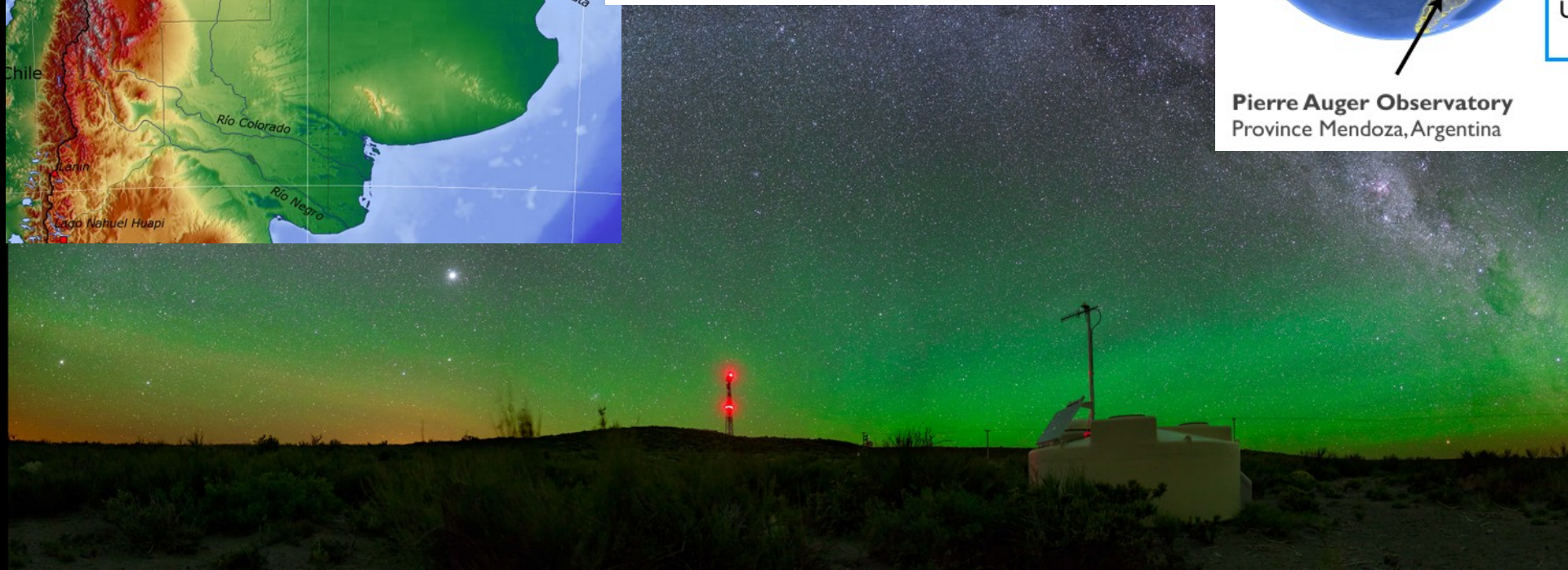
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# What are air showers?

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Proton, 100 TeV  
(simulation)

Air shower ==  
cascade of Particle interactions in  
atmosphere

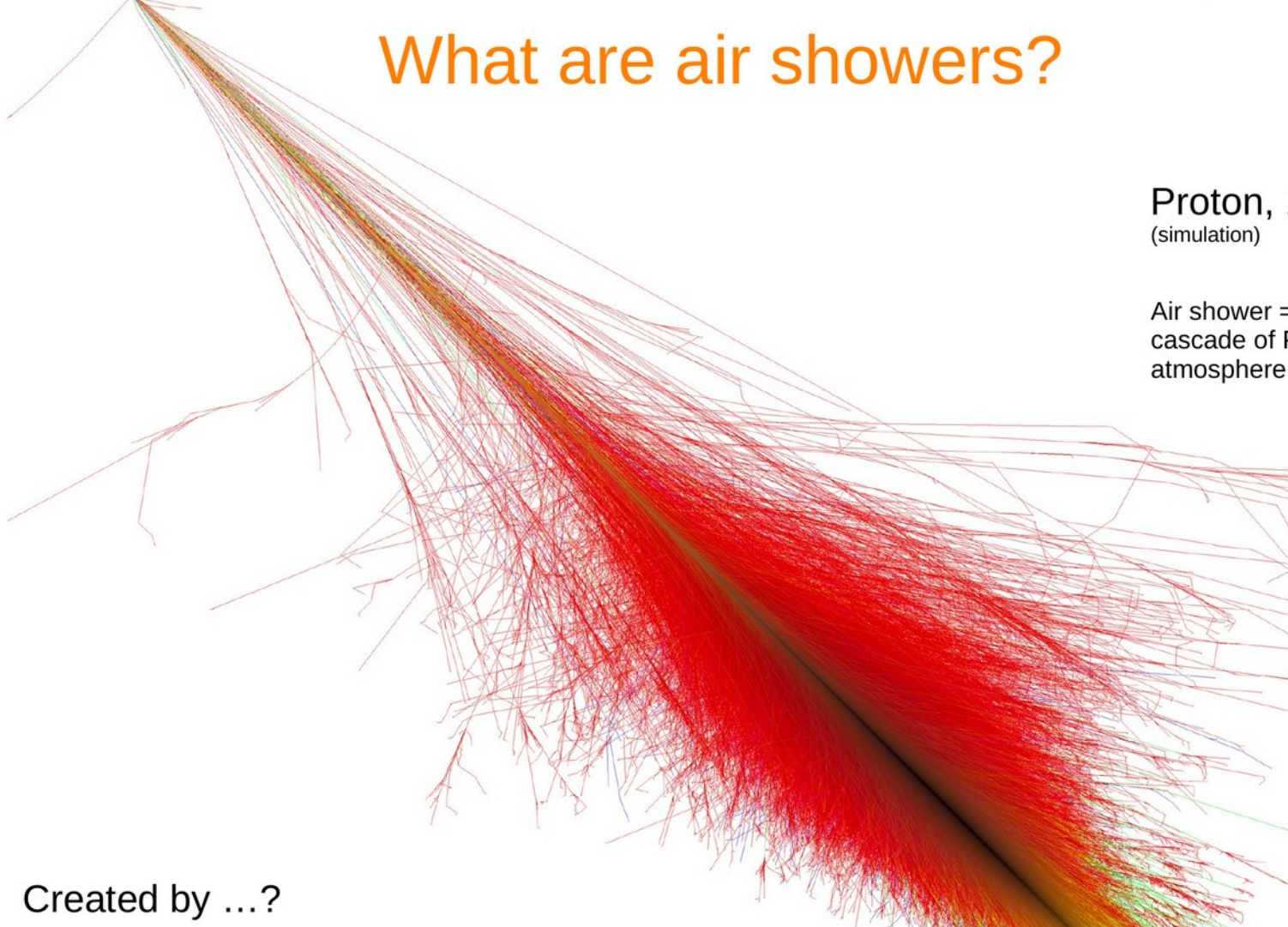
$10^7$  particles

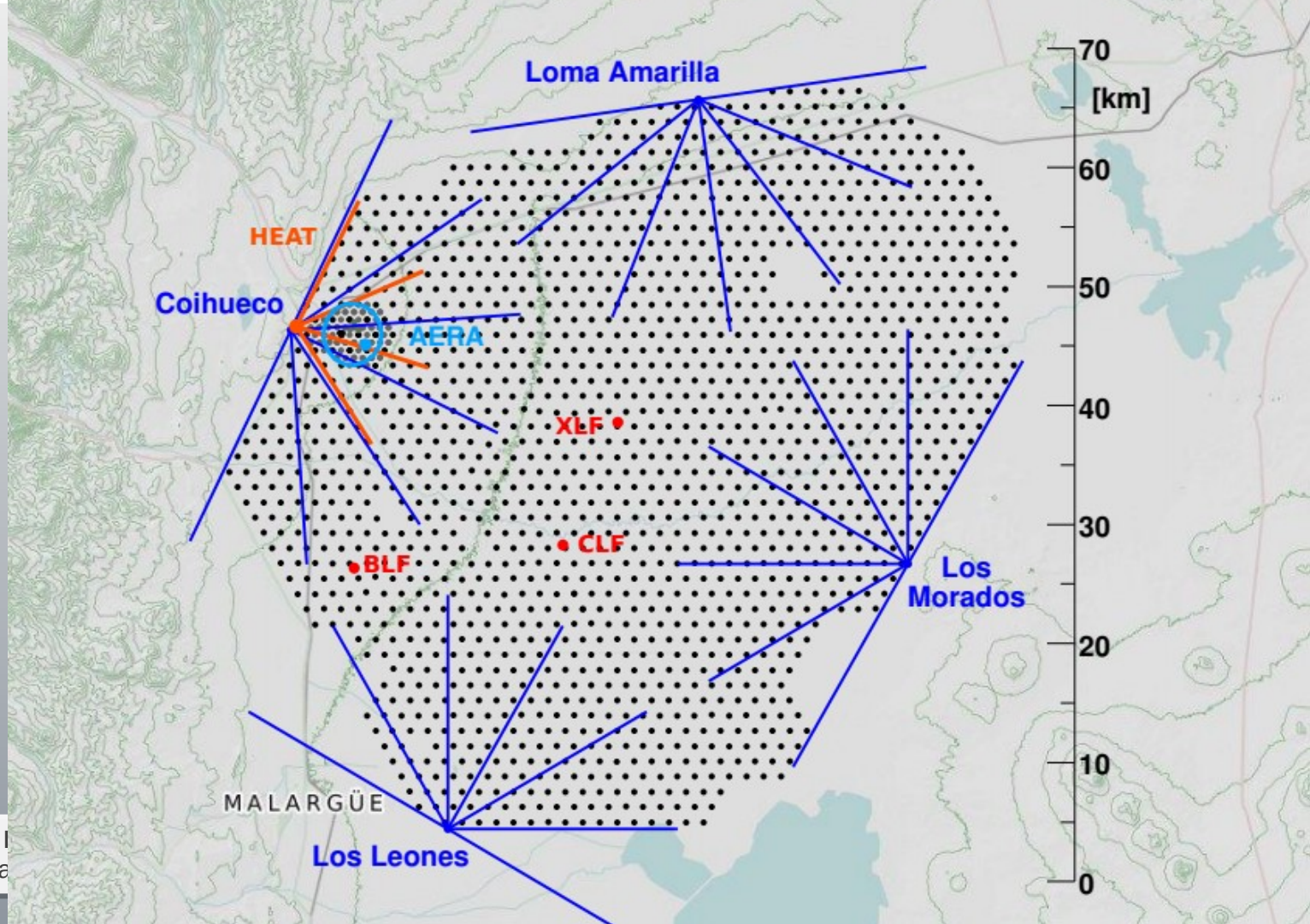
$\gamma, e^\pm$

$\mu^\pm$

hadrons

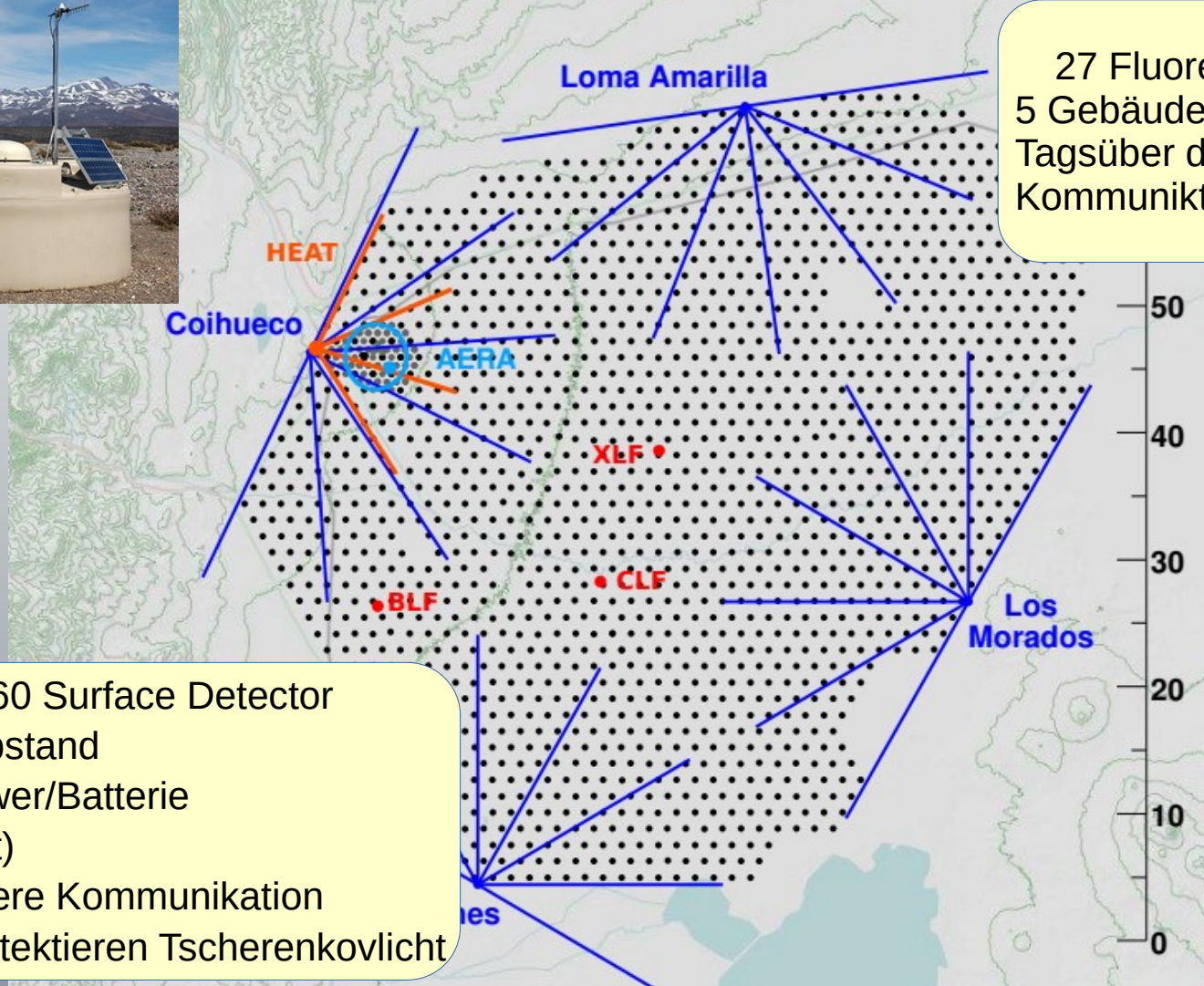
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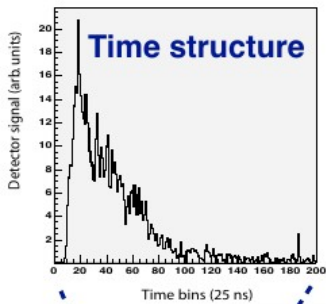




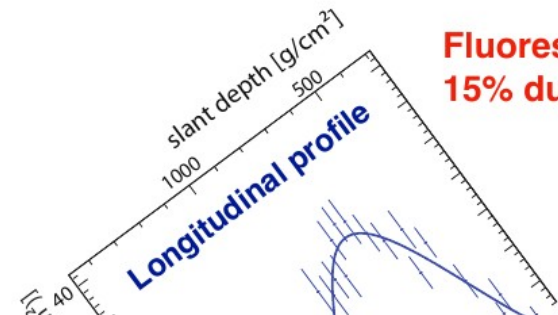
27 Fluoreszenz Teleskope  
5 Gebäude  
Tagsüber durch Tore geschützt  
Kommunikations-Türme

1660 Surface Detector  
1.5 km Abstand  
Solar-Power/Batterie  
GPS (Zeit)  
Proprietaere Kommunikation  
3 PMT detektieren Tscherenkovlicht



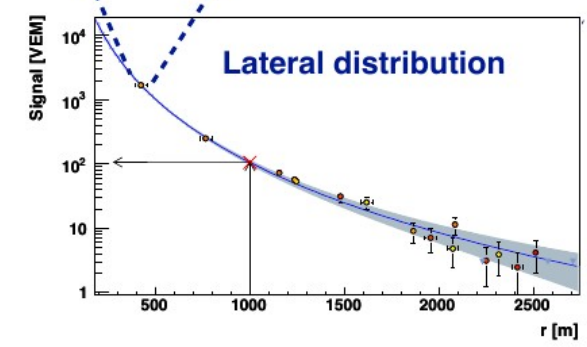


**Fluorescence Detector (FD):  
15% duty cycle**

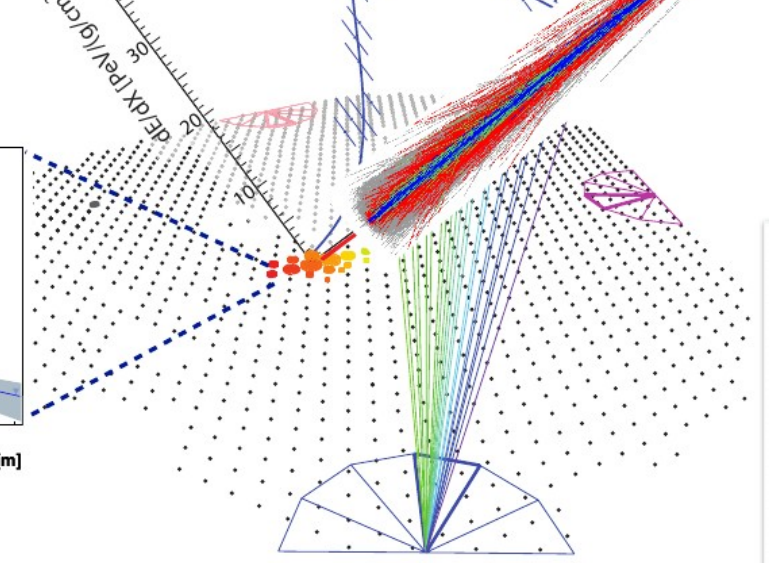


$$E_{\text{cal}} = \int_0^{\infty} \left( \frac{dE}{dX} \right)_{\text{obs}} dX$$

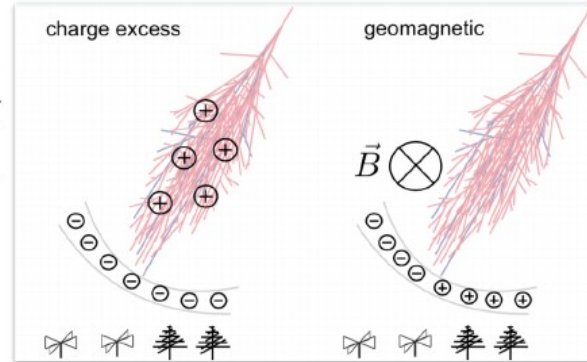
$$E_{\text{rec}} = f(S_{1000}, \theta)$$



**Surface Detector (SD)  
100% duty cycle**



**Radio Detector (RD):  
100% duty cycle**



# Radio-Emission of EAS:

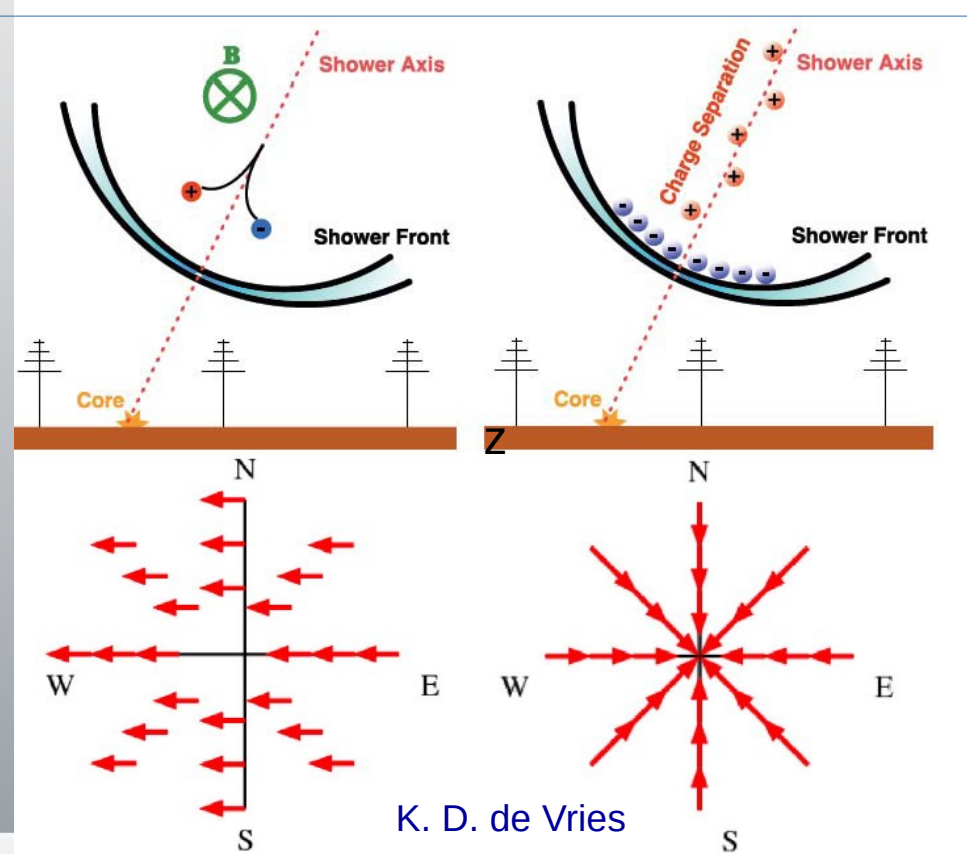
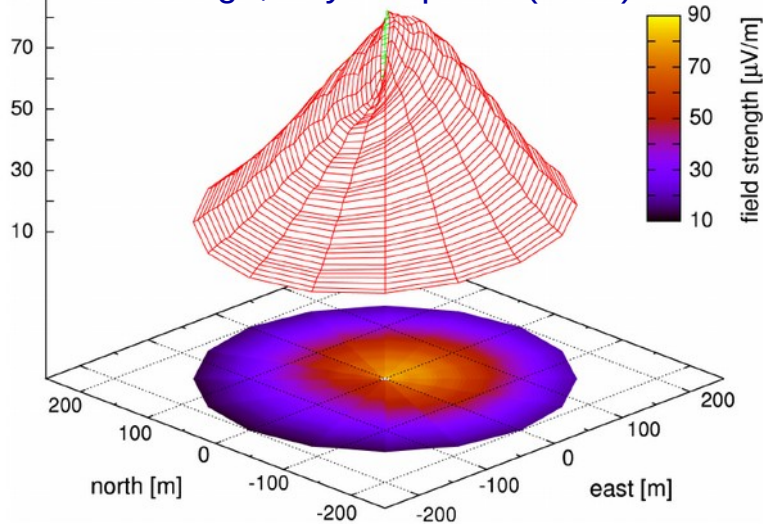
Geomagnetic contribution:

- Time variation of transverse current

Charge-Excess contribution:

- Time variation of charge excess

T. Huege, Phys.Rep.620 (2016)





# Radio at Pierre Auger Observatory: AERA

Deployed in three phases:

- Phase I: 24 RDS in 09/2010
- Phase II: +100 RDS in 05/2013
- Phase III: +25 RDS in 02/2015

Four grid spacings:

150, 250, 375 / 750 m

Two antenna types

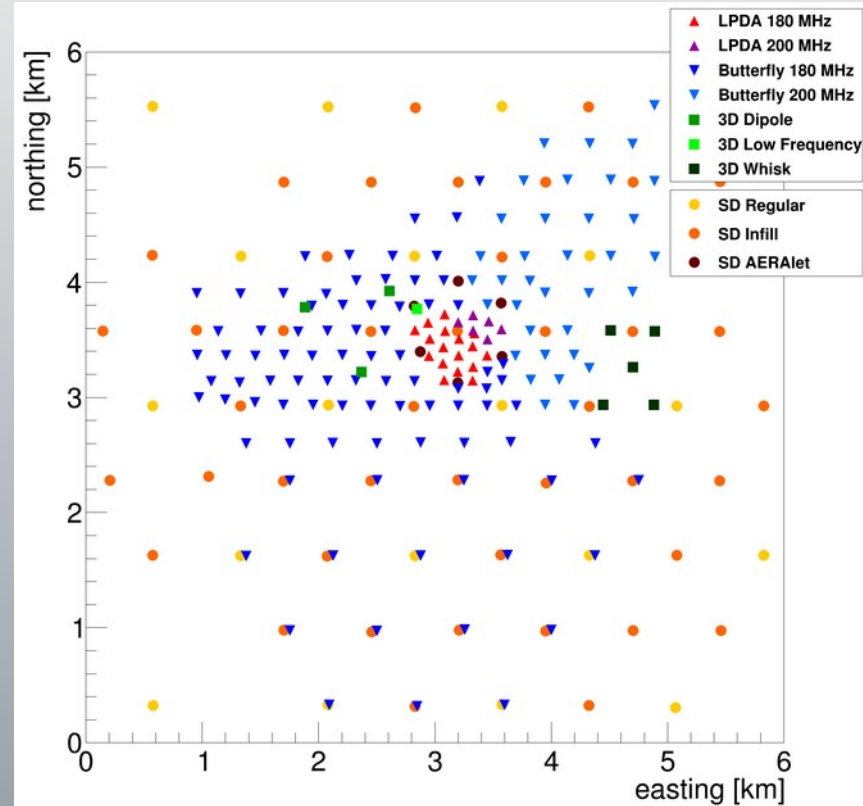
LPDA / Butterfly

Two main trigger schemes

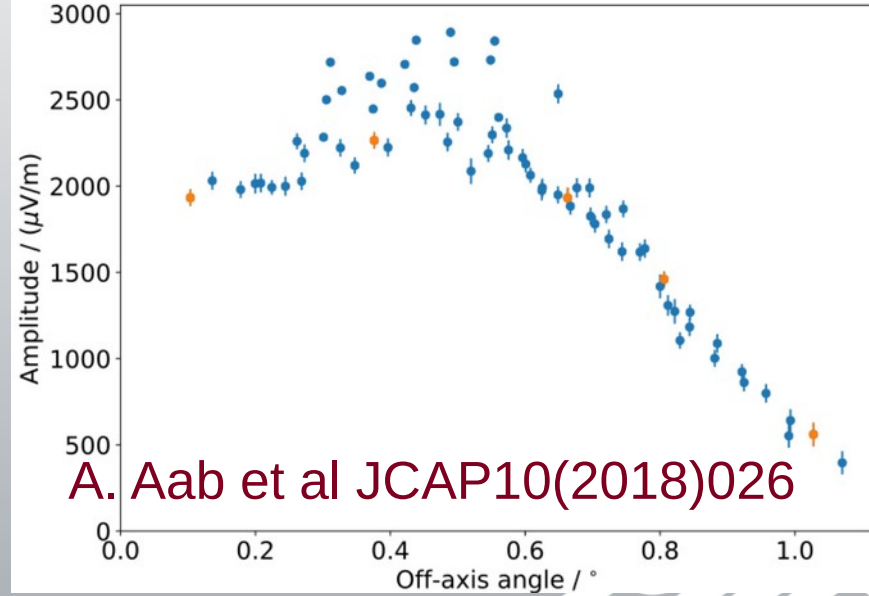
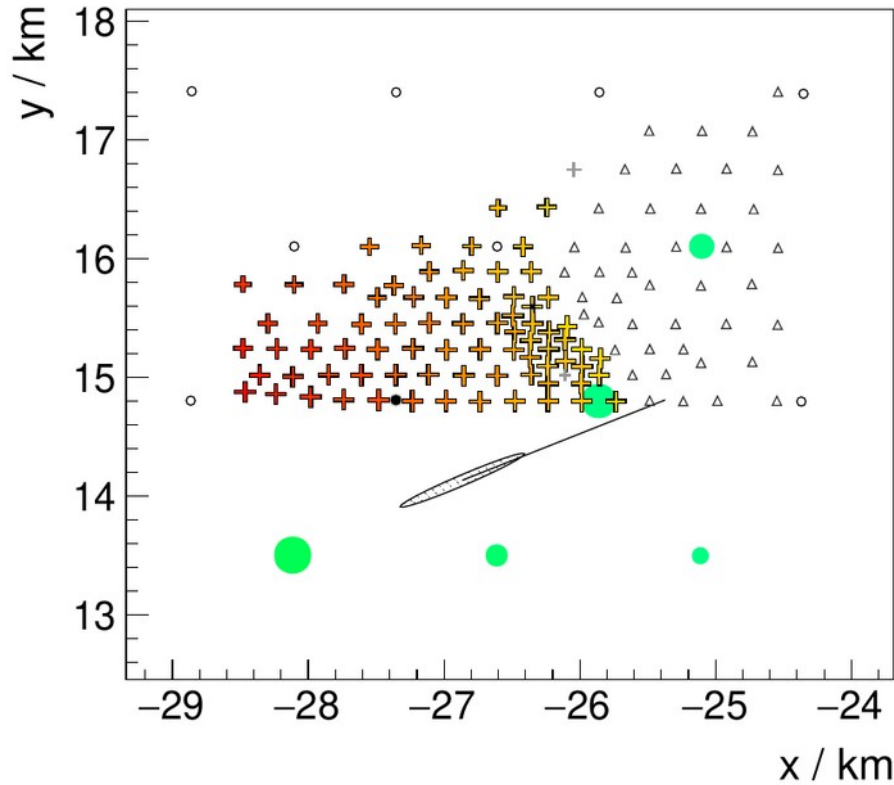
External / scintillator

Prototype RDS (3D, lowFreq)

AERAlet (SDS on 433 m grid)

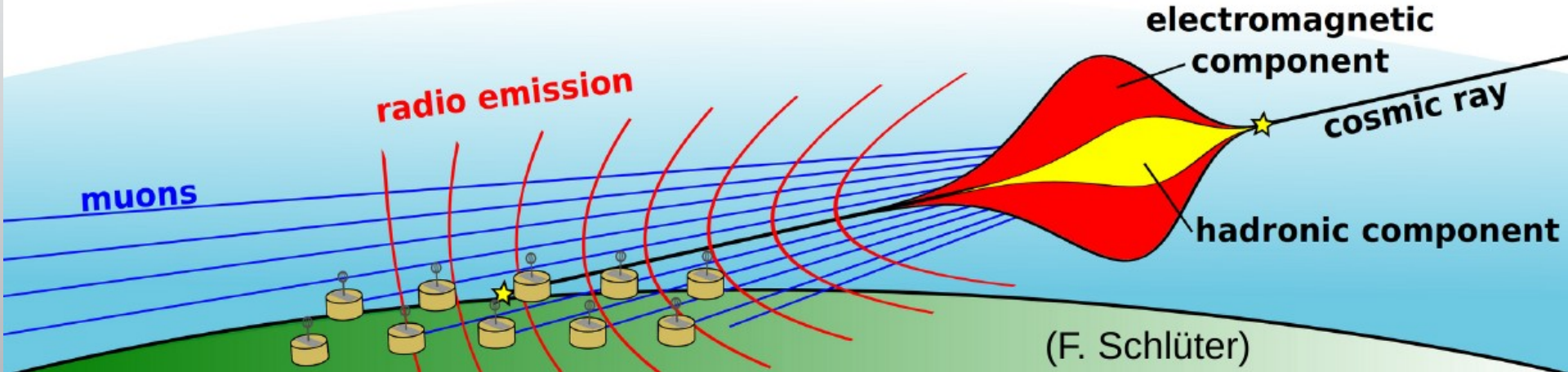


# Inclined shower with AERA @ Auger



# RD ideal EM Detector

No attenuation in atmosphere



Radio-Upgrade Science Case Document  
agreed by Collaboration Board June 2019:  
Radio Upgrade for all 1660 Stations

# Deployment of 10 (7) Prototype Stations Nov'19



# Measured event triggered by SD with RD reconstruction

## Global reconstruction (LDF + axis) (5)

$$E = (3.16 \pm 0.67) \times 10^{18} \text{ eV}$$

$$(\theta, \phi) = (83.3 \pm 0.2, 87.0 \pm 0.1) \text{ deg}$$

## Wavefront: (sphere)

$$(\theta, \phi) = (82.2 \pm 10.93, 86.84 \pm 7.45) \text{ deg}$$

$$\text{geomagnetic angle } \alpha = 80.6^\circ$$

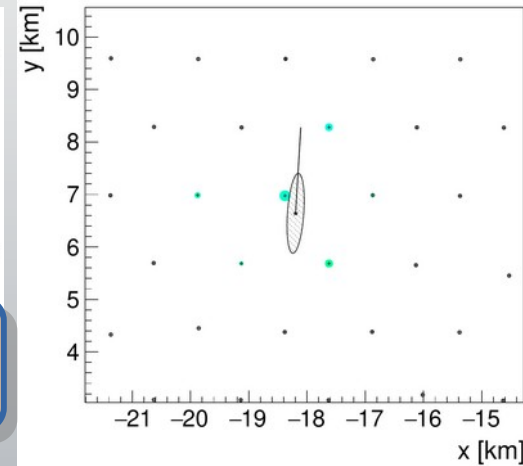
$$\chi^2 / \text{ndf} = (< 0.01) / 1$$

$$\text{radius} = 24 \pm 169 \text{ km}$$

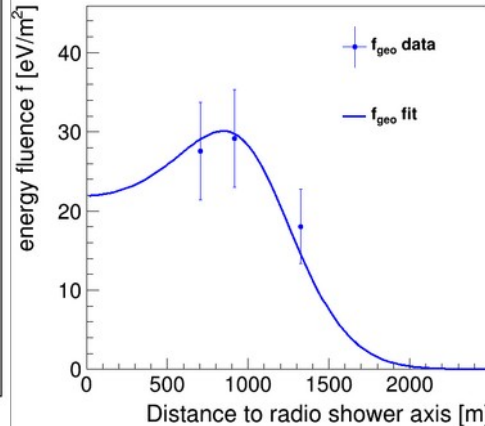
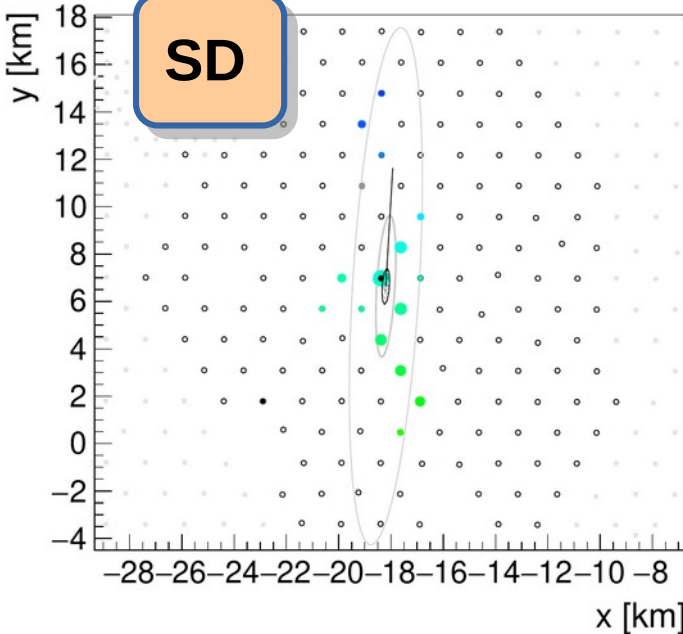
## LDF: (HAS)

$$\text{Emag energy} = (4.64 \pm 0.81) \times 10^{18} \text{ eV}$$

$$\text{Core } (x, y) = (-18.20, 6.64) \text{ km}$$



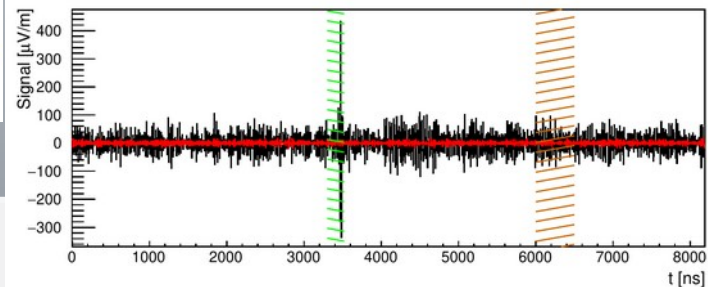
RD



Auger RD

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ErUM-Wave Kick-Off 4/21/23



# Propagation of Waves

- EM-Emission, Pulses of few ns, propagating at speed of light
- Only small region of coherence
- Changing refractive index and reflection on ground with varying permittivity (weather)
- AERA komplex geometry (ca. 200m), but RD with regular 1.5 km grid
- Few events,  $O(1/\text{day})$
- Convincing but time-consuming simulation (CoREAS/CORSIKA), scaling with number of antennas to be simulated