

# Data diffusion for ground based gamma-ray astronomy

## The Cherenkov Telescope Array

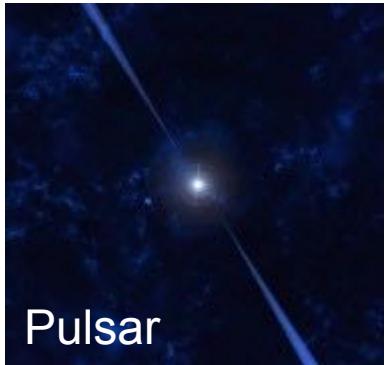
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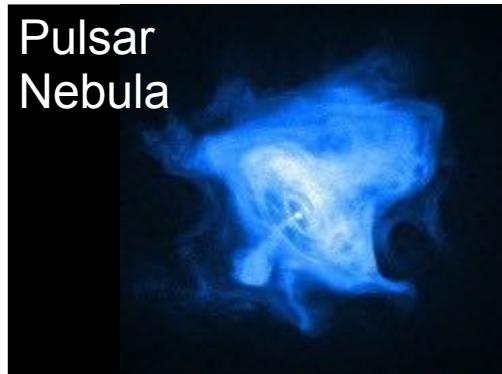
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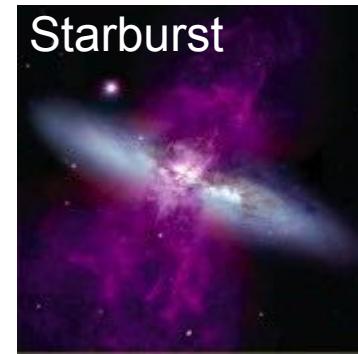
# High Energy Astrophysics



Pulsar



Pulsar Nebula



Starburst



Supernova

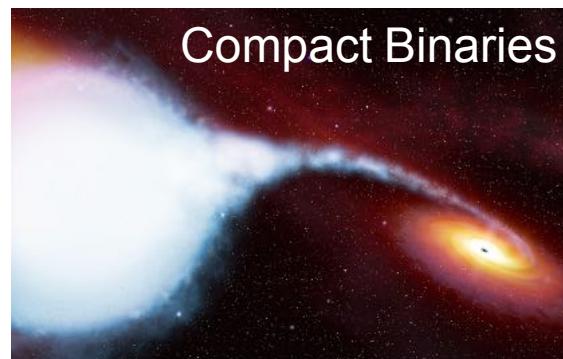
- ◆ Violent, transient, non-thermal phenomena
- ◆ Matter under extreme conditions
- ◆ Particle Acceleration
- ◆ Fundamental Physics
- ◆ Role of Black Holes in the structuration of the Universe



Active Galactic Nuclei



Nova

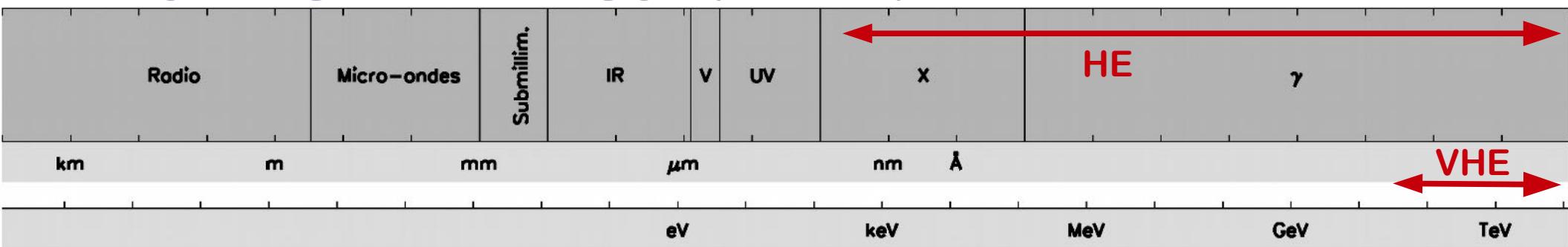


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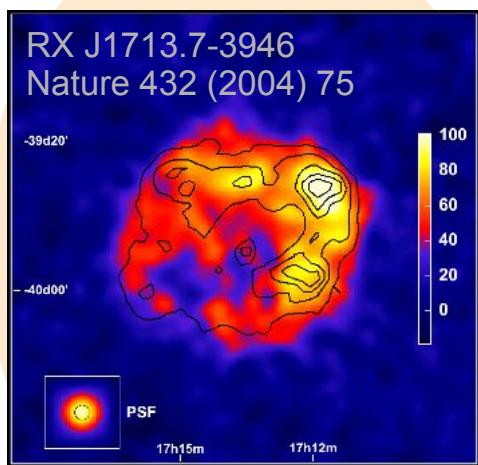


Gamma-Ray Burst

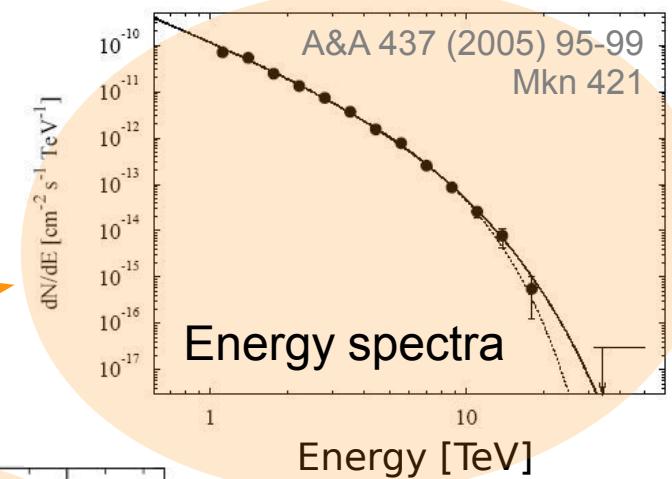
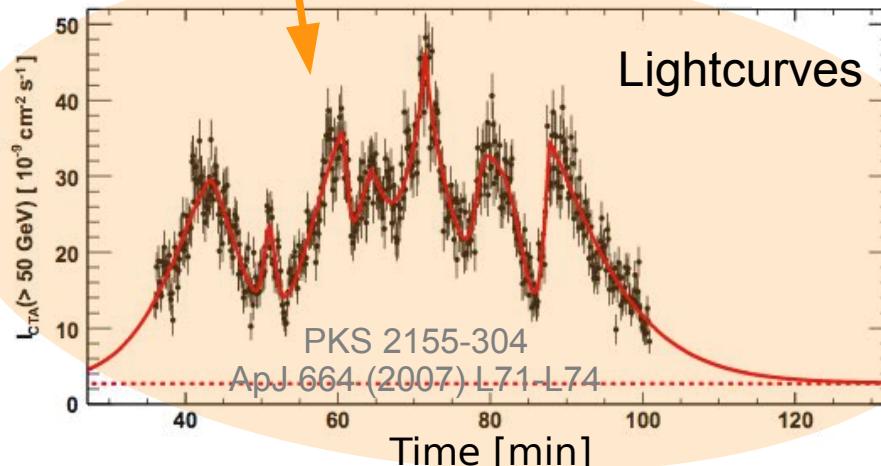
# Very high energy (VHE) data



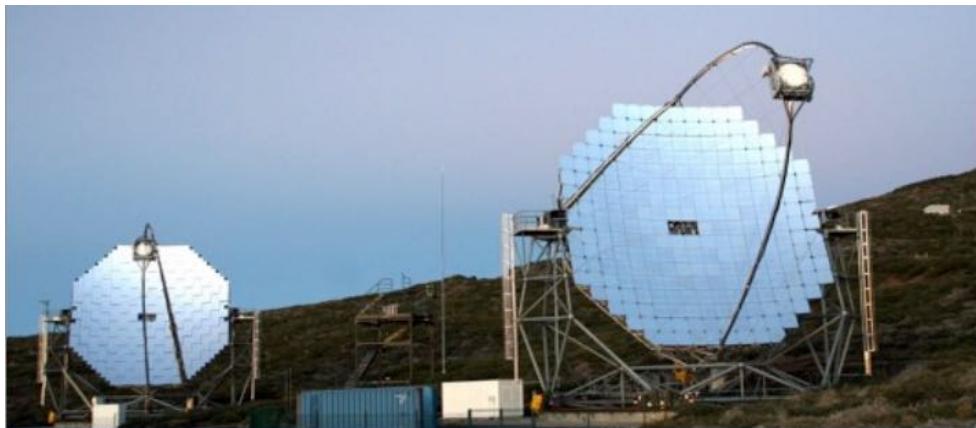
- ◆ Several orders of magnitude
- ◆ Photon counting
- ◆ Low count statistics, high background
- ◆ **Event lists**  
(coordinates, time, energy)



Images



# Currently Operating VHE Instruments



**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

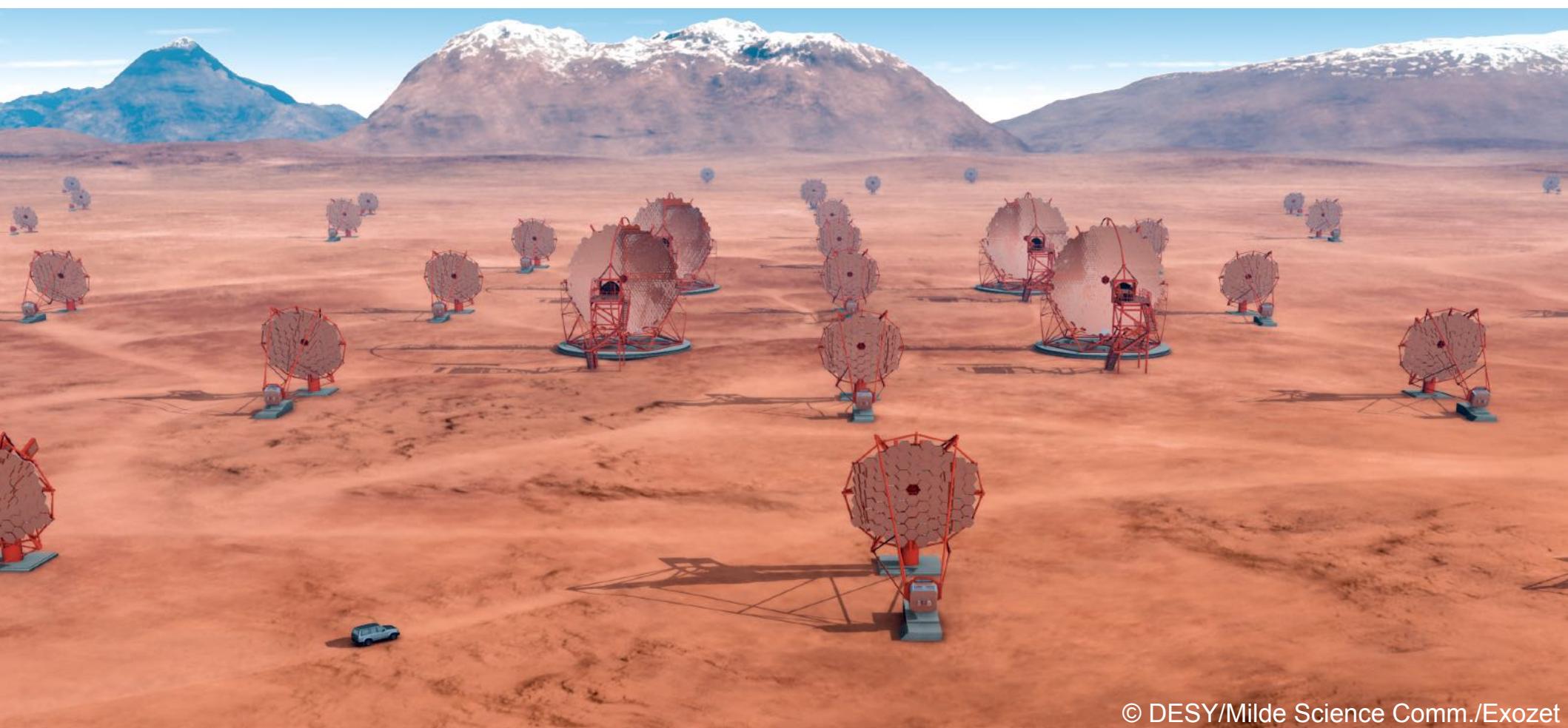


**H.E.S.S.**: located in Khomas Highlands, Namibia  
Since 2002: four 12m telescopes  
Since 2012: added 32m by 24m telescope  
Since 2015: camera upgrades on 12m telescopes

@ Jeff Grube



- ◆ Two arrays of 100 (South) et 20 (North) telescopes
- ◆ July 2015: sites selection, Chile (ESO) and La Palma
- ◆ 2016: pre-production phase
- ◆ 2018-2023: production phase
- ◆ Observatory open to the community



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# CTA Consortium



- ◆ Over 1200 members
- ◆ 200 institutes
- ◆ 32 countries

# Telescope types

## Low-energy section

4 x 23m (**LST**)

FoV: 4-5 degrees

$E > 10s \text{ of GeV}$

## Core-energy section

23 x 12m (**MST**)

FoV: 7-8 degrees

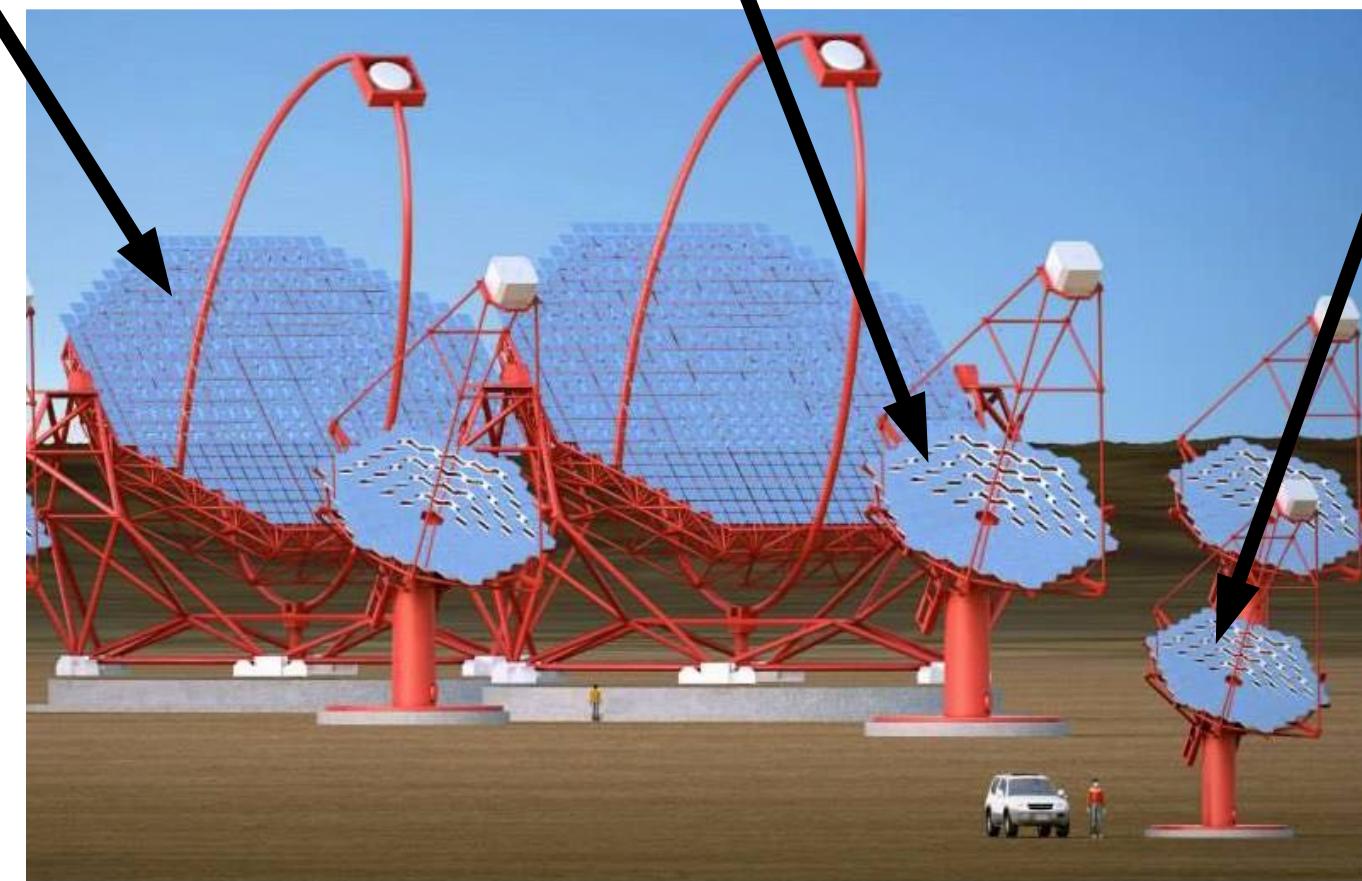
$100 \text{ GeV} < E < 10 \text{ TeV}$

## High-energy section

30-70 x 4-6m (**SST**)

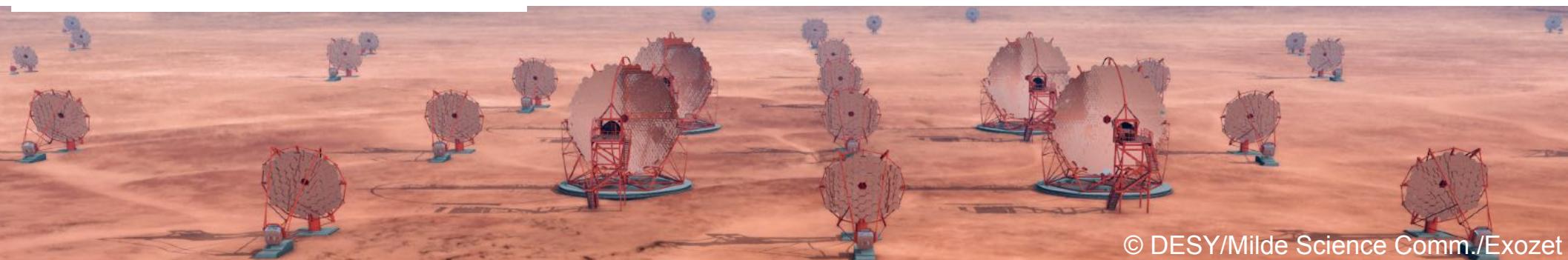
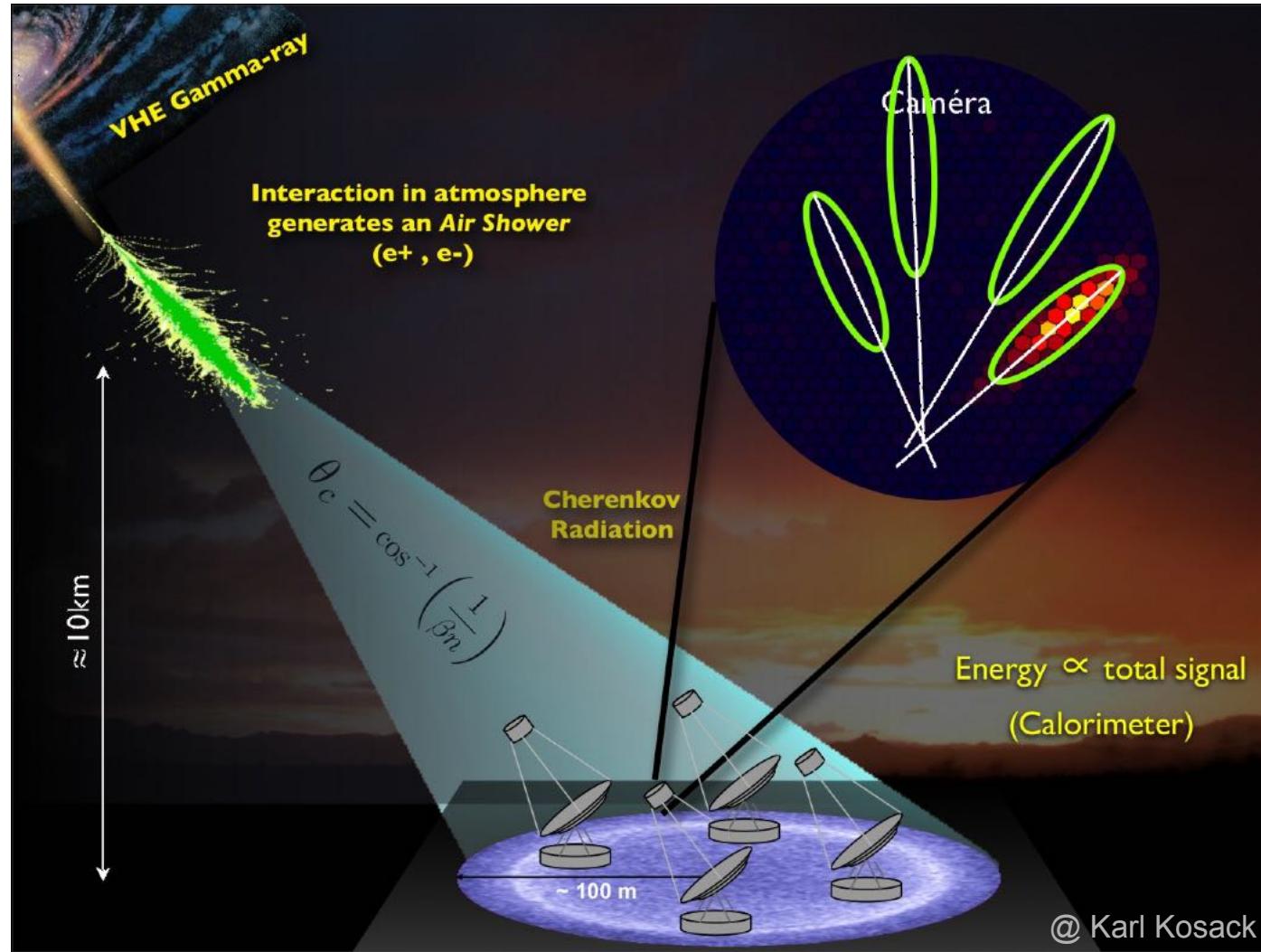
FoV: 10 degrees

Multi-TeV energies



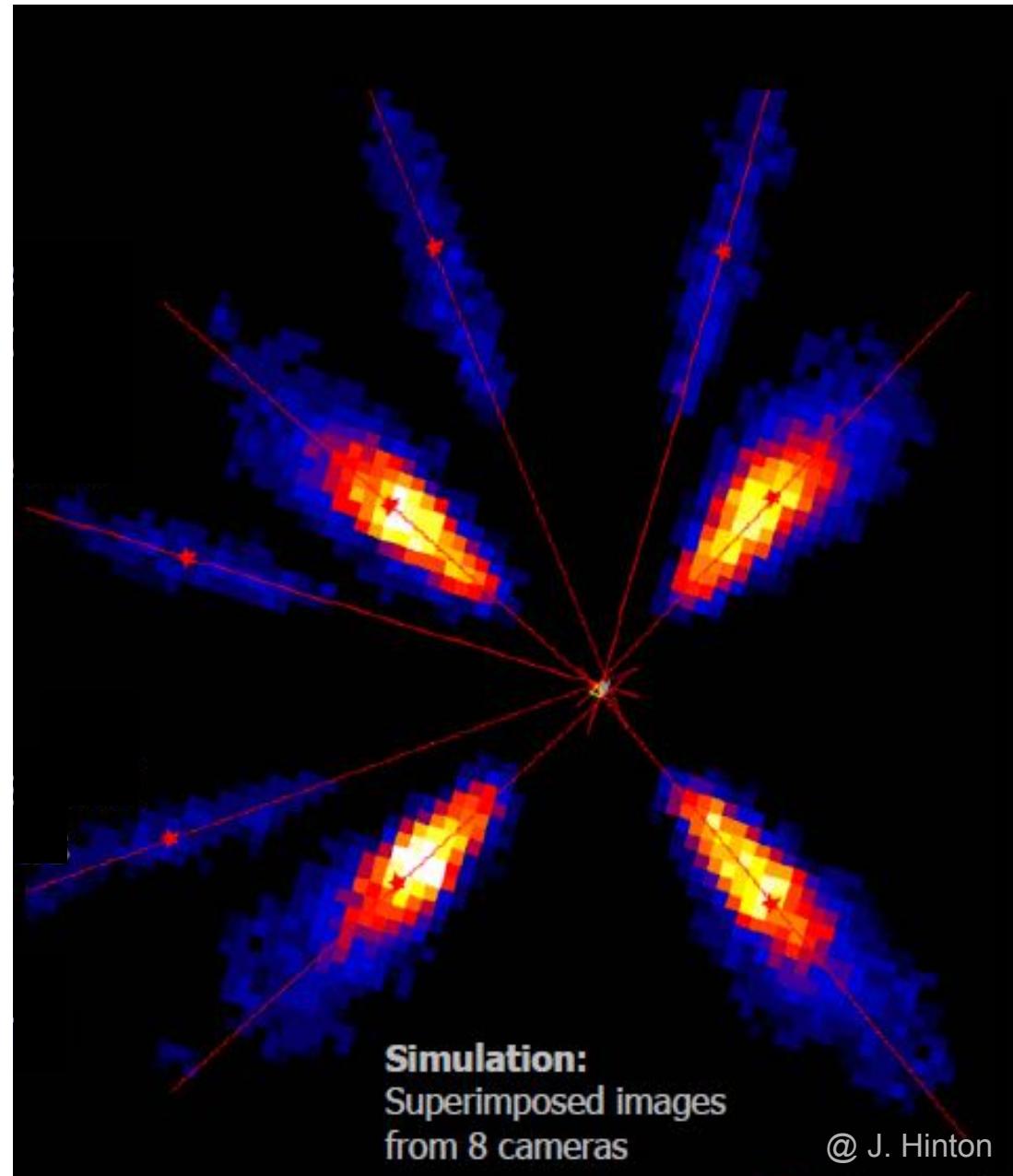
# Cherenkov Astronomy Principles

- ◆ **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



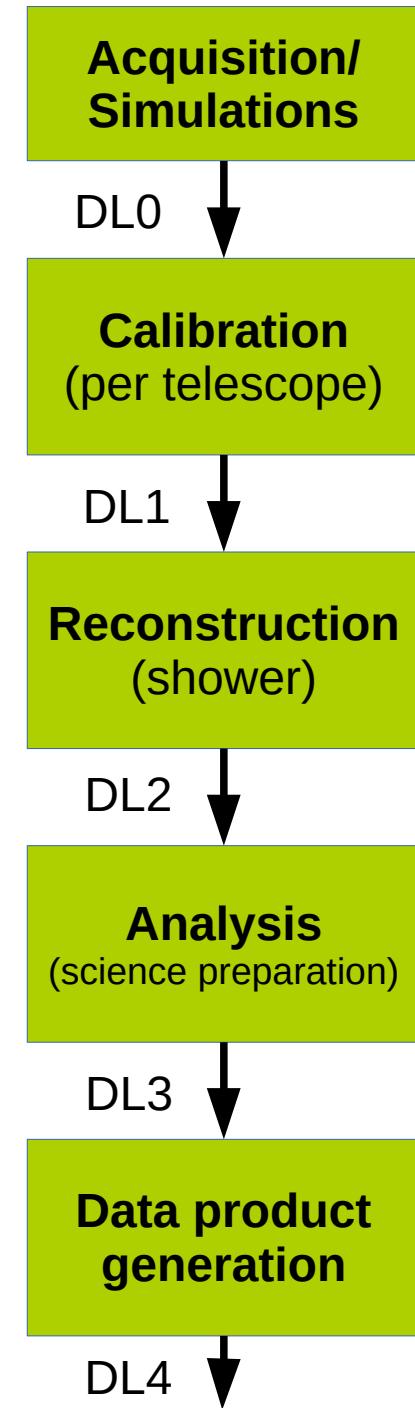
# Why more telescopes in an array?

- ◆ **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



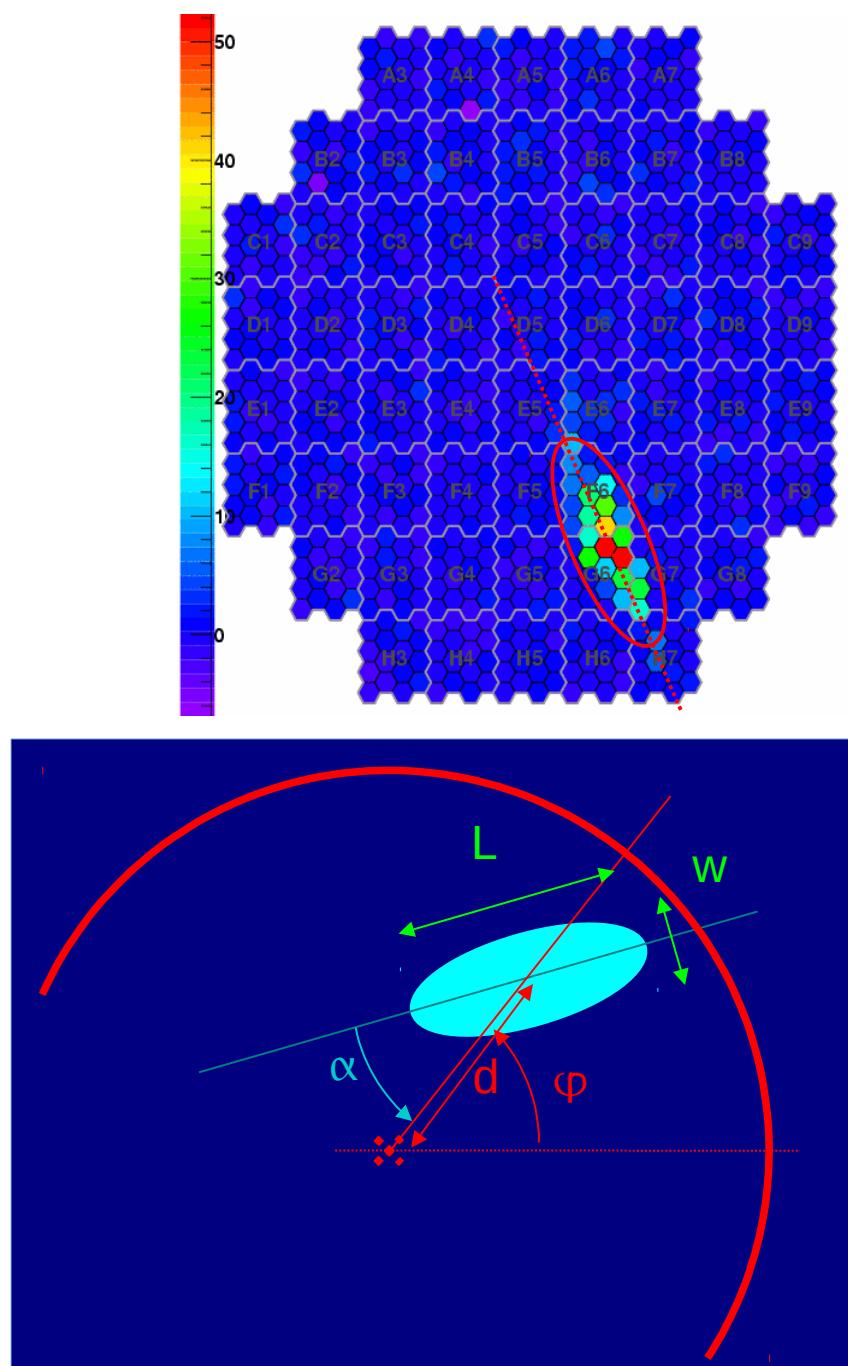
# Data levels and workflow

Data Level	Short Name	Description	Data reduction factor
Level 0 (DL0)	DAQ-RAW	Data from the Data Acquisition hardware/software.	
Level 1 (DL1)	CALIBRATED	Physical quantities measured in each separate camera: photons, arrival times, etc., and per-telescope parameters derived from those quantities.	1-0.2
Level 2 (DL2)	RECONSTRUCTED	Reconstructed shower parameters (per event, no longer per-telescope) such as energy, direction, particle ID, and related signal discrimination parameters.	$10^{-1}$
Level 3 (DL3)	REDUCED Published (FITS)	Sets of selected (e.g. gamma-ray-candidate) events, along with associated instrumental response characterizations and any technical data needed for science analysis.	$10^{-2}$
Level 4 (DL4)	SCIENCE	High Level binned data products like spectra, sky maps, or light curves.	$10^{-3}$
Level 5 (DL5)	OBSERVATORY	Legacy observatory data, such as CTA survey sky maps or the CTA source catalog.	$10^{-5} - 10^{-3}$



# Reconstruction

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

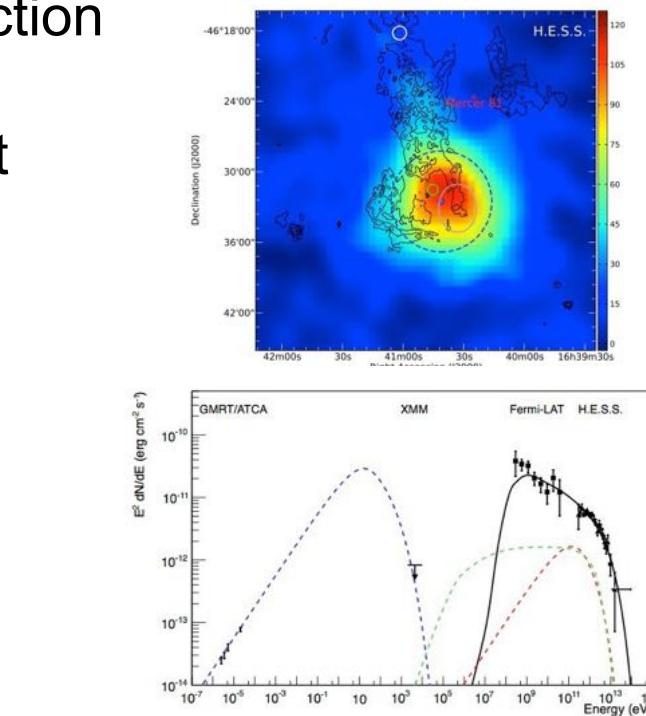


# Analysis: producing images, spectra, light-curves

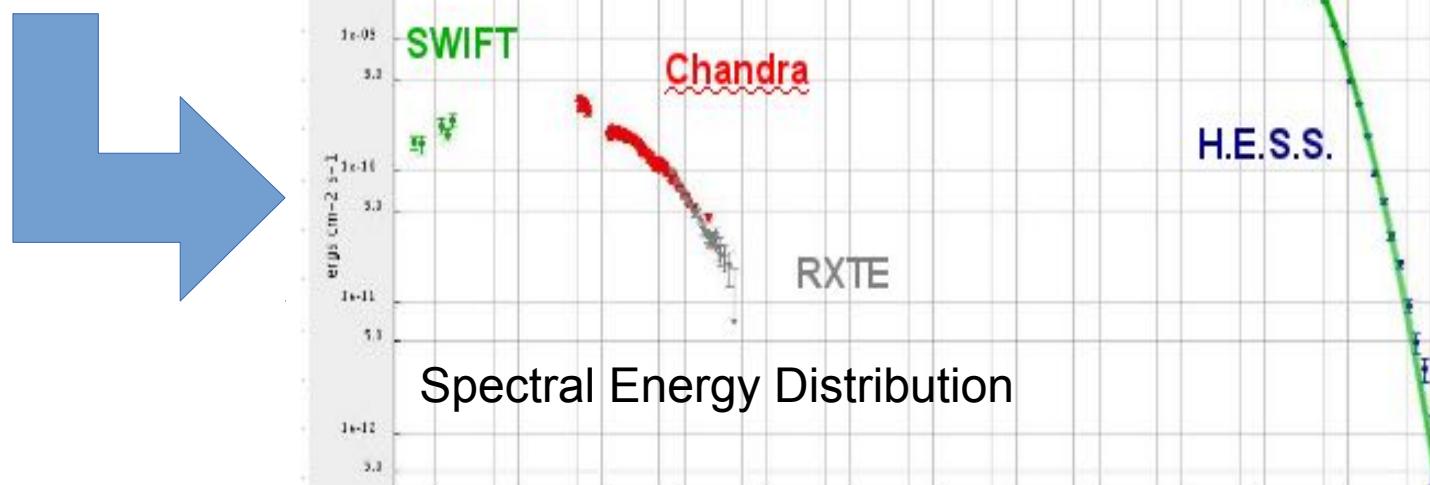
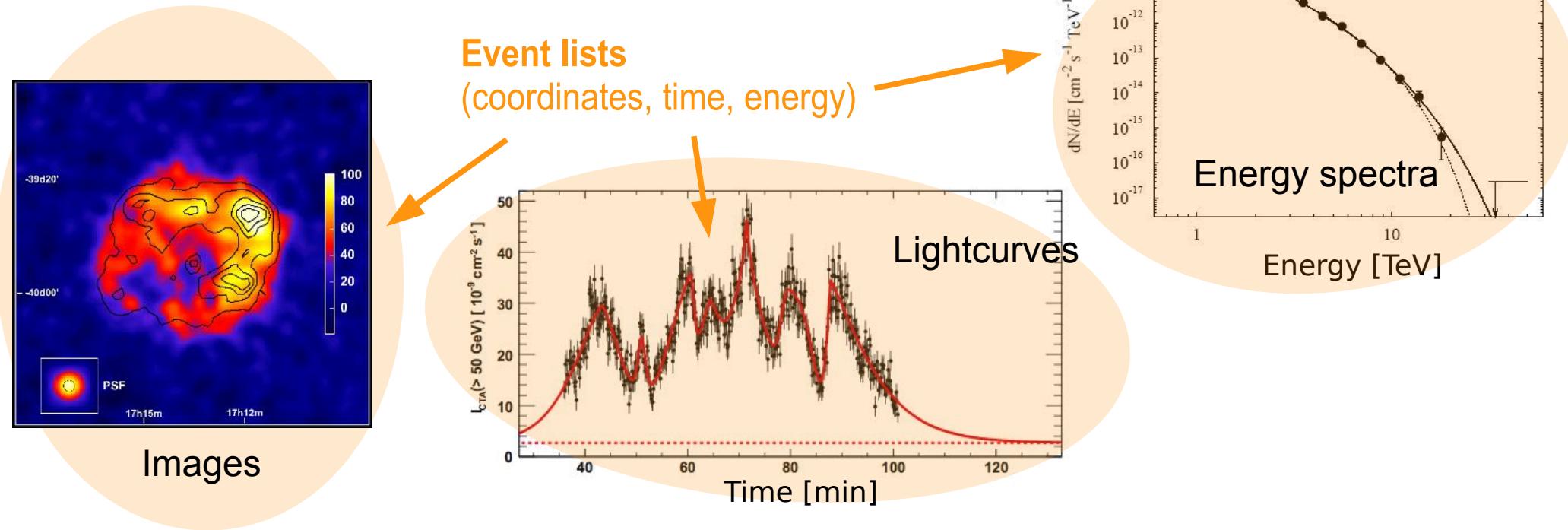
- ◆ Event lists (not necessarily gamma-rays!)
- ◆ Instrument Response Function
- ◆ TECH tables: atmosphere and data-quality measurements, → good time intervals, ...

t	RA	Dec	az	alt	E
501	128.2	-37.1	321.1	45	0.112
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
900	100.0	-31.2	32.2.	45.3	1.23
..	..	..	..	..	..
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- ◆ 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



# Multi-wavelength analysis



Compatible data  
at other wavelength?

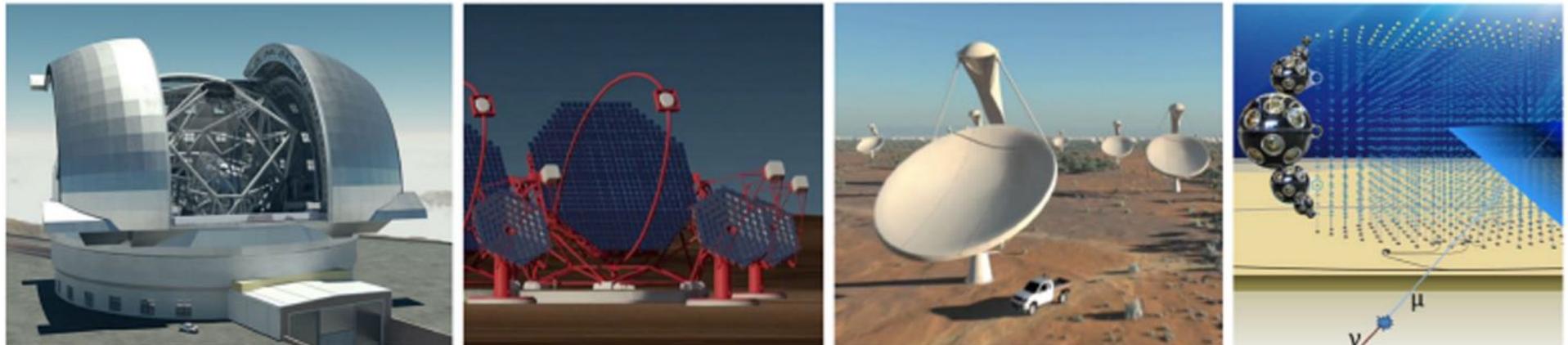
Simultaneous  
Calibrated  
Specific Processing?  
Context?

# Data diffusion for CTA





- ◆ European Commission's **Horizon 2020** framework
- ◆ ASTERICS aims to address the cross-cutting **synergies** and **common challenges** shared by the various Astronomy ESFRI facilities (E-ELT, **CTA**, SKA & KM3NeT)
- ◆ Work Package 4: Data **Access** and Data **Interoperability** (DADI)



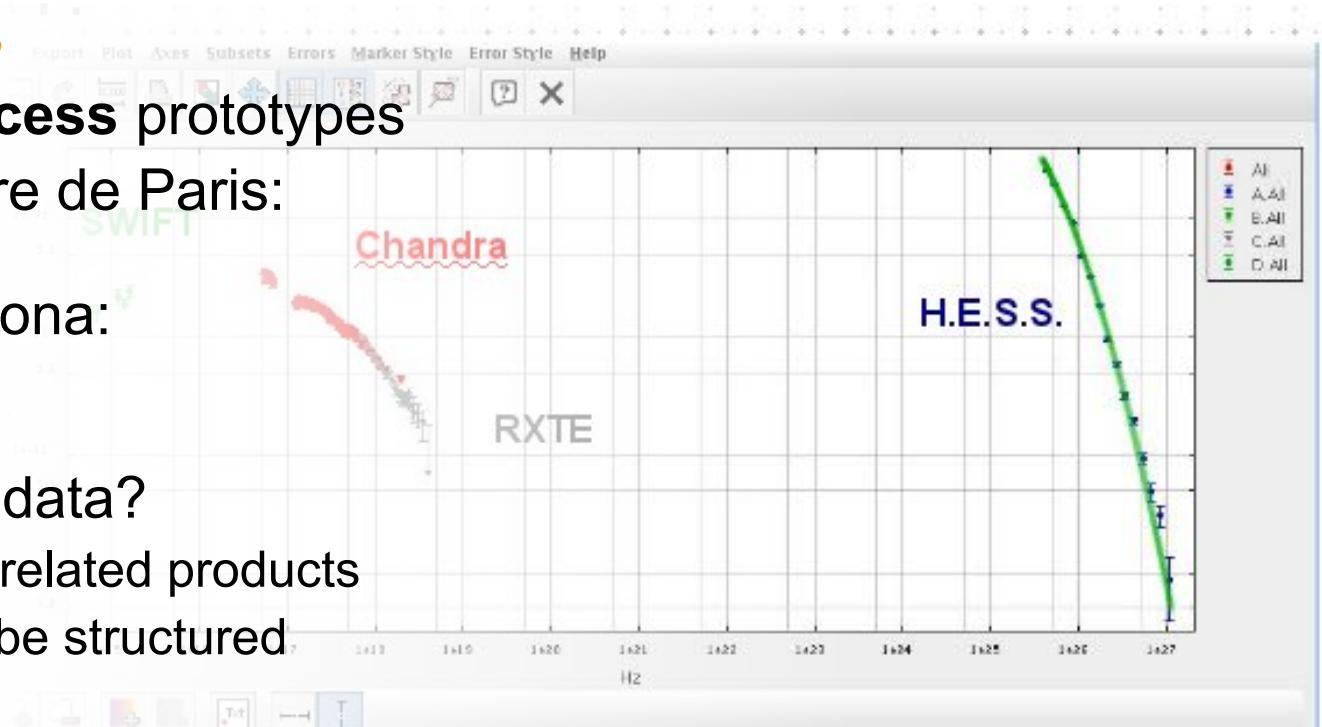
# Where CTA meets VO

- ◆ **CTA Data Model**
  - ◆ Compatibility with **DatasetDM**, **ObsCoreDM**...
  - ◆ Development of **ProvenanceDM**
- ◆ **Data Diffusion**
  - ◆ Compatibility with VO protocols (e.g. **TAP**)
- ◆ **Data Processing**
  - ◆ Use of a work cluster with **UWS** pattern
  - ◆ Store/retrieve **Provenance** metadata
- ◆ **Data Access**
  - ◆ **Authentication & Authorization** solutions

# VHE Data Access

## Initial developments

- ◆ High level **VO** data access prototypes
- ◆ H.E.S.S at Observatoire de Paris:  
<http://hess.obspm.fr/>
- ◆ MAGIC at IFAE Barcelona:  
<http://vobs.magic.pic.es/>
- ◆ VO standards vs VHE data?
  - ◆ Complex **hierarchy** of related products
  - ◆ Complex **metadata** to be structured
  - ◆ **Queryable** metadata ?



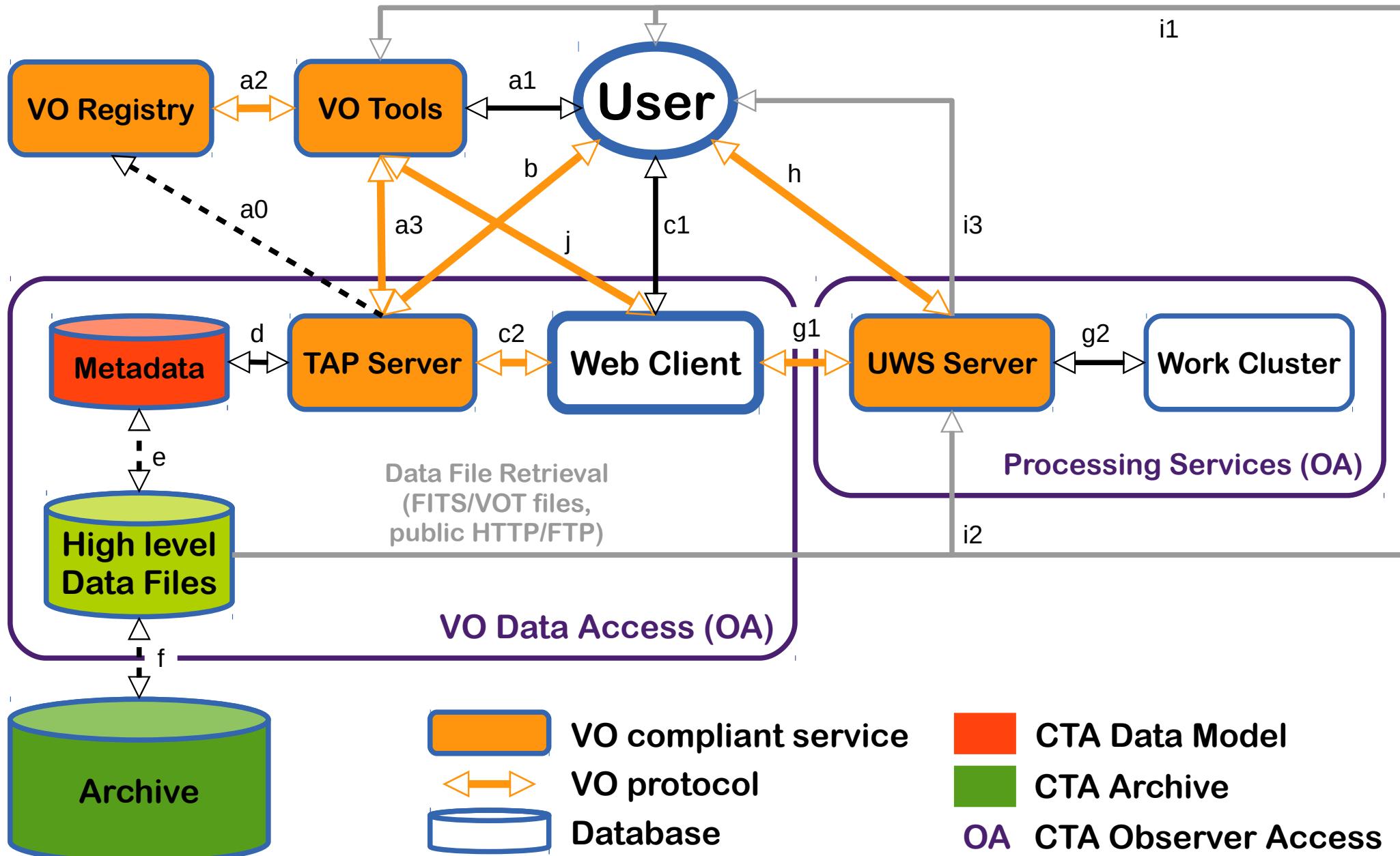
## CTA data access prototype

- ◆ CTA **data model** implementation
- ◆ Test VO compliance

<http://voparis-cta-test.obspm.fr>



# VO data diffusion prototype



# Web client

<http://voparis-cta-test.obspm.fr>



Monte Carlo simulations

[Data Distiller](#)

Data Reduction

INAF CTA portal

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CTA Data Distiller

Search Form

Job List

Sign out Mathieu.Servillat@obspm.fr

Cone Search

Target Name

Crab Nebula

Used to query Simbad with Sesame and set RA/Dec.

Source RA (deg)

83.633

Source Dec (deg)

22.514

Search radius (deg)

0.001

Submit

Reset

- ◆ Django, jQuery, BootStrap3
- ◆ **Name resolver**  
Simbad through Sesame
- ◆ Builds and Sends the **ADQL query**

ObsCore Search

proposal\_id

Proposal ID

# Web client

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The screenshot shows the CTA Data Distiller web interface. At the top, there are three main navigation tabs: "Search", "Analyse", and "Visualisation". Below these are sub-navigation tabs: "CTA Data Distiller", "Search Datasets", "Results", "Job List", "Selected Job", and "JS9". On the right, there is an "Authentication" section with a "Sign out user" link. The "Search" tab is highlighted with a blue bracket and the word "Search" below it. The "Analyse" tab is highlighted with a blue bracket and the word "Analyse" below it. The "Visualisation" tab is highlighted with a blue bracket and the word "Visualisation" below it.

**ADQL query:** SELECT \* FROM cta.vo\_obscore as o WHERE 1 = intersects(o.s\_region, circle('ICRS', 83.63308333, 22.0145, 0.001))

**ObsCore fields:** dataproduct\_type, obs\_collection, obs\_id, target\_name, s\_ra (deg), s\_dec (deg)

**UWS:** Interop (SAMP), Send Result Table, Send Selected Data

**Analysis tools:** Create Count Map(s), Extract Spectrum

**Plotting tools:** TOPCAT, Aladin, VOSpec, SPLAT

dataproduct_type	obs_collection	obs_id	target_name	s_ra (deg)	s_dec (deg)
eventlist	1	23592	Crab Nebula	82.01333618164062	22.01444435119629
eventlist	1	23559	Crab Nebula	85.25333404541016	22.01444435119629
eventlist	1	23526	Crab Nebula	83.63333129882812	22.51444435119629
eventlist	1	23523	Crab Nebula	83.63333129882812	21.51444435119629
eventlist	3	5003499	CrabNebula	83.28087615966797	21.784133911132812

Showing 1 to 5 of 10 rows    5 records per page    << < 1 2 > >>

# Data mining use cases for CTA

Use case	Description
Cone Search	<b>Search data available for a given Target</b>
ObsCore search	<b>Search data available corresponding to ObsCore keywords</b> (target_name, time interval, ...), e.g.: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• search data for a given <b>target</b> at a given <b>time</b></li><li>• search data in a given <b>region of the sky</b></li><li>• search data that contain events at <b>energy</b> higher than 50 TeV</li></ul>
ObsCore optional search	<b>Search data available corresponding to ObsCore optional keywords</b> (target_class, data_rights, ...), e.g.: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• search <b>public</b> data for all <b>blazars</b></li><li>• search data for a given <b>proposal_id</b></li></ul>
ObsConfig search	<b>Search data available corresponding to ObsConfig keywords</b> (sub_array_name, pointing_mode, obs_mode ...), e.g.: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• search data that include the <b>Large Size Telescopes</b> (LSTs)</li><li>• search data for a given target, that do not include the divergent <b>pointing mode</b></li></ul>
Provenance search	<b>Search data available corresponding to Provenance keywords</b> (calib_version, creation_date ...), e.g.: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• search data produced by a given <b>version of the pipeline</b> and for a given target</li><li>• search data produced using a given <b>reconstruction method</b></li><li>• search data for a given target produced with <b>loose cuts</b></li></ul>

# ObsCore fields for CTA

**dataproduct\_type:** has to be one of the following: image, cube, spectrum, sed, timeseries, visibility, event.  
Set to "event" in the prototype, has it exposes the 1DC DL3 files.

**calib\_level:** one of the following integer values: 0 (instrumental or raw data in a non-standard/proprietary format), 1 (instrumental data in a standard format, e.g. FITS), 2 (calibrated data in standard format, with instrument signature removed), and 3 (more highly processed data product). CTA defines 5 data level, for example DL3 data are calibrated data in scientific units but still include an instrument signature, hence its calib\_level would be between 1 and 2.

**access\_url:** to be defined by the Archive, however the CTA 1DC data should not be accessible to the public. We thus include simulated data hosted on <http://voplus.obspm.fr/cta/> and always point to this URL in the prototype. In the VO context, the access URL is generally a public link. To handle data rights, this may point to a retrieval system with the ID of the requested data product.

**em\_min, em\_max:** The spectral coordinates are in TeV for us and should be converted to meters to follow the ObsCore standard. This could lead to precision issues in spectral data (though it is not an issue for discovery purposes).

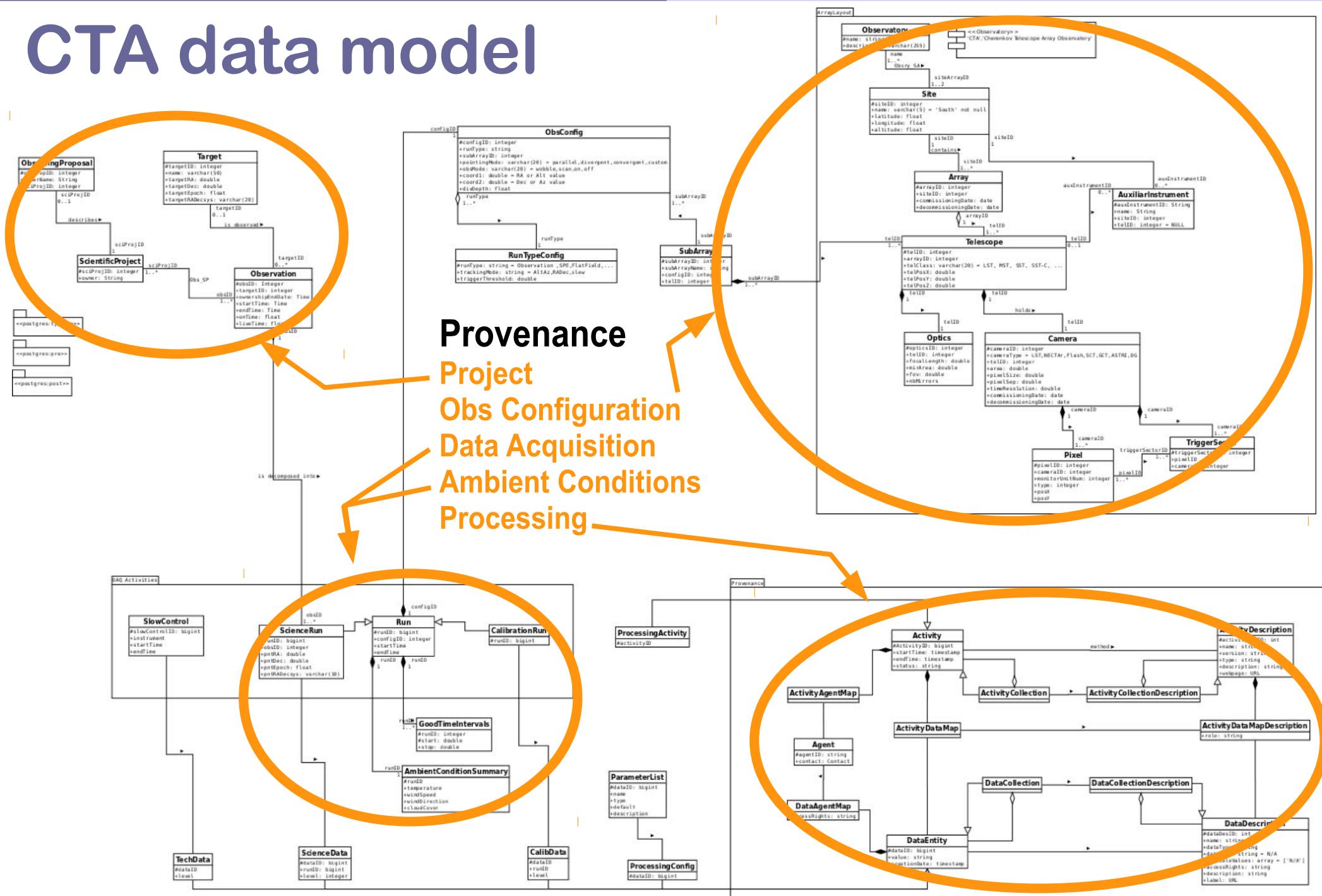
**facility\_name:** we use the observatory name, e.g. "CTA".

**instrument\_name:** As our test data comes from several experiments, we describe them here: HESS, MAGIC, VERITAS or CTOOLS (for simulated data with the ctools). This could be used to expose the CTA SubArray used to acquire the data?

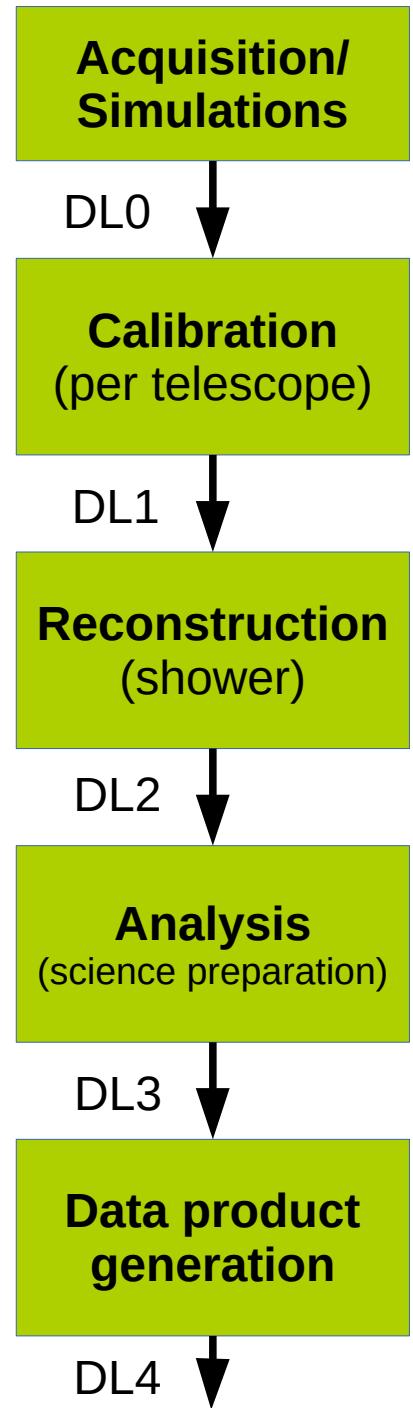
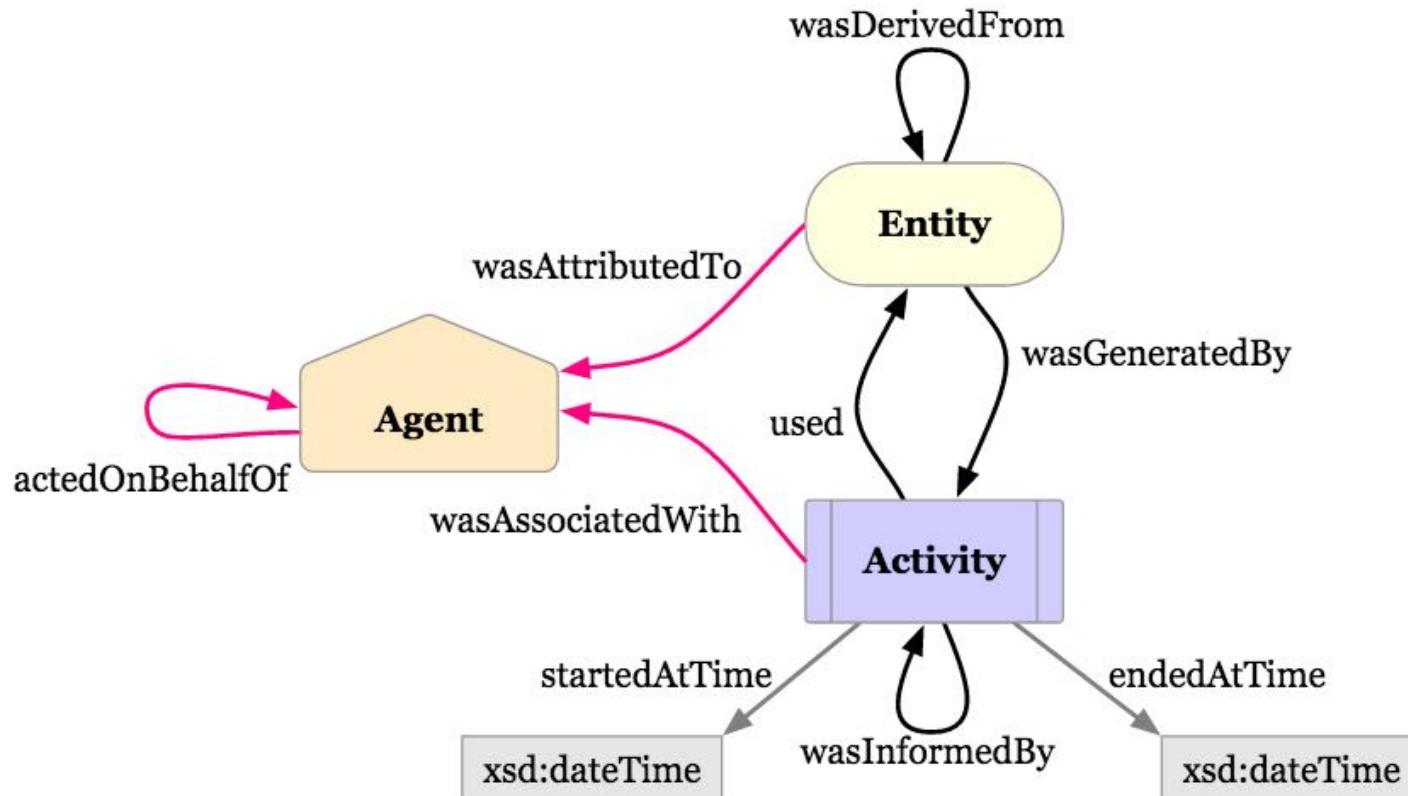
# Extended ObsCore fields for CTA

- ◆ **Optional ObsCore fields:**
  - ◆ **dataproduct\_subtype**: show DL0-5?
  - ◆ **obs\_release\_date**
  - ◆ **data\_rights** (Public/Secure/Proprietary)
  - ◆ **s\_resolution\_min, s\_resolution\_max** (as it is dependent on energy)
  - ◆ **proposal\_id**
- ◆ **ObsConfig:**
  - ◆ **site**: North or South site.
  - ◆ **sub\_array\_name** (or directly in **instrument\_name**)
  - ◆ **pointing\_mode**: parallel, divergent, convergent, custom...
  - ◆ **obs\_mode**: wobble, scan, on, off
  - ◆ **run\_type**: flatfield, science, SPE...
- ◆ **Provenance:**
  - ◆ **data\_quality**: flag giving information on the data quality
  - ◆ **calib\_version**: version of the calibration stage of the Pipeline
  - ◆ **reco\_version**: version of the reconstruction stage of the Pipeline
  - ◆ **reco\_method**: reconstruction method used to obtain DL2 data
  - ◆ **applied\_cuts**: selection criteria used to obtain e.g. a DL3 photon event list
  - ◆ **spectral\_model**: spectral model assumed to obtain spectrum

# CTA data model



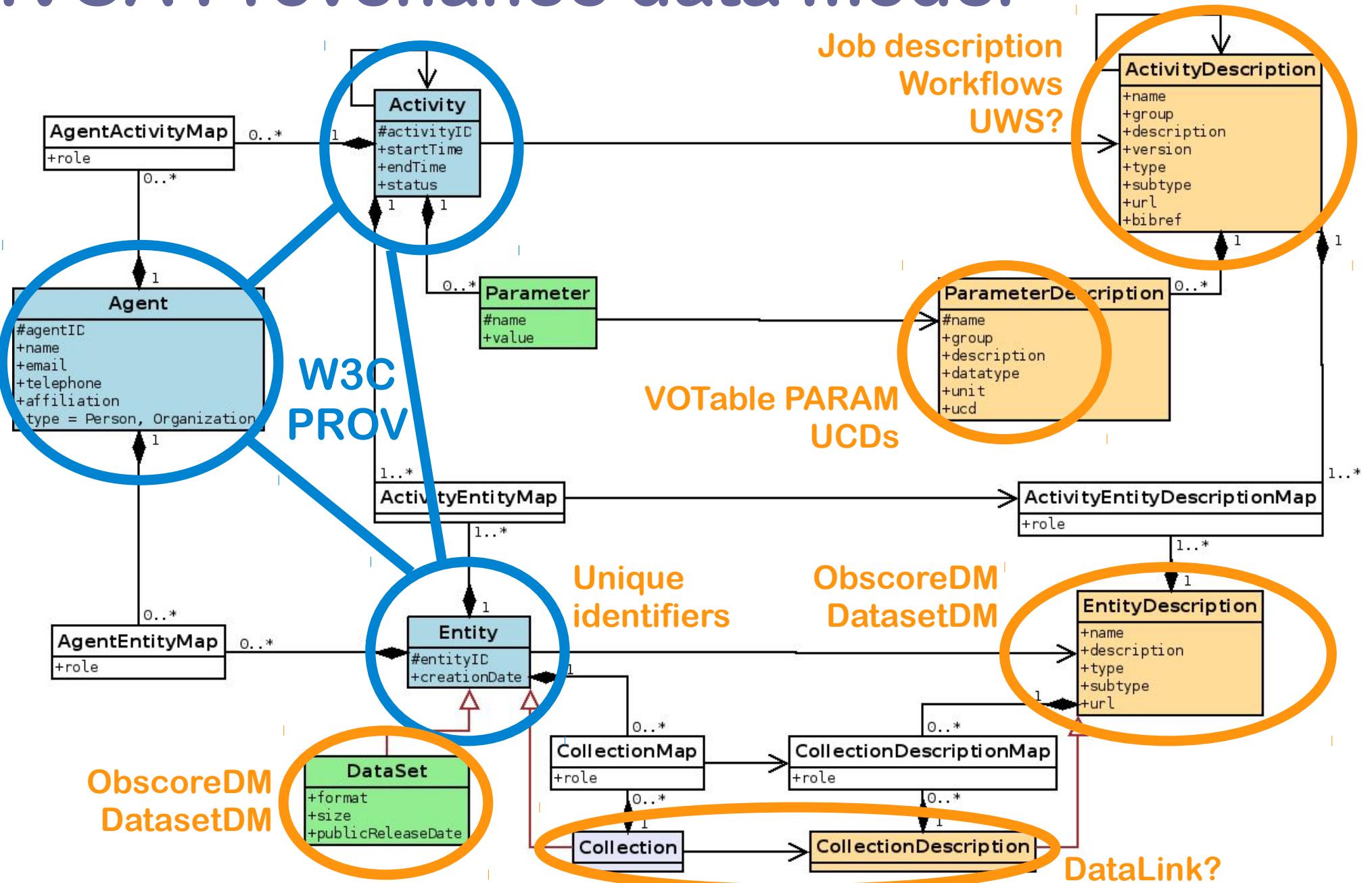
# W3C Provenance model



## W3C PROV Ontology

<https://www.w3.org/TR/2013/NOTE-prov-overview-20130430/>

# IVOA Provenance data model



# Online processing (client)



## Job List

Type	Start Time	Destruction Time	Phase	Details			Control		
ctbin	2016-04-12 15:08:00	2016-05-12 15:07:30	COMPLETED	<a href="#">Properties</a>	<a href="#">Parameters</a>	<a href="#">Results</a>	<a href="#">Start</a>	<a href="#">Abort</a>	<a href="#">Delete</a>
ctbin	2016-01-28 16:06:29	2016-02-27 16:06:29	COMPLETED	<a href="#">Properties</a>	<a href="#">Parameters</a>	<a href="#">Results</a>	<a href="#">Start</a>	<a href="#">Abort</a>	<a href="#">Delete</a>
ctbin	2016-01-28 14:57:32	2016-02-27 14:57:32	ERROR	<a href="#">Properties</a>	<a href="#">Parameters</a>	<a href="#">Results</a>	<a href="#">Start</a>	<a href="#">Abort</a>	<a href="#">Delete</a>
ctbin	2015-11-05 15:11:09	2015-12-05 15:11:09	COMPLETED	<a href="#">Properties</a>	<a href="#">Parameters</a>	<a href="#">Results</a>	<a href="#">Start</a>	<a href="#">Abort</a>	<a href="#">Delete</a>
ctbin	2015-11-05 15:11:06	2015-12-05 15:11:06	PENDING	<a href="#">Properties</a>	<a href="#">Parameters</a>	<a href="#">Results</a>	<a href="#">Start</a>	<a href="#">Abort</a>	<a href="#">Delete</a>
ctbin	2015-11-05 14:20:18	2015-12-05 14:20:18	ABORTED	<a href="#">Properties</a>	<a href="#">Parameters</a>	<a href="#">Results</a>	<a href="#">Start</a>	<a href="#">Abort</a>	<a href="#">Delete</a>

- ◆ **Asynchronous** management of processes
- ◆ Job sent on a **work cluster**
- ◆ JavaScript library developped at PADC

# Online processing (server)

## Main features

- ◆ IVOA standard
  - ◆ Universal Worker System (UWS)
- ◆ REST architecture
  - ◆ Python micro-framework: bottle.py
- ◆ Collaborative development
  - ◆ Git server at PADC (gitolite)
  - ◆ GitHub:  
<https://github.com/ParisAstronomicalDataCentre/OPUS>
- ◆ Tests and quality
  - ◆ Unit tests with unittest and webtest
  - ◆ Activity history with logging



## Prototype available

<https://voparis-uws-test.obspm.fr>

# From UWS to Provenance

UWS Server Job Definition Job Manager Sign out admin

Job Description Back to job list

Type	Start Time	Destruction Time	Phase	Details	Control
copy	2016-04-13 14:28:45	2016-05-13 14:23:39	COMPLETED	<a href="#">Properties</a> <a href="#">Parameters</a> <a href="#">Results</a>	<a href="#">Start</a> <a href="#">Abort</a> <a href="#">Delete</a>

Job Properties  
Job Parameters  
Job Results  
Job Details

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[provsvg: https://voparis-uws-test.obspm.fr/get\\_result\\_file/bc3ac123-82a0-4036-9d06-9880cc196f4f/provsvg/provenance.svg](#)

The provenance graph illustrates the workflow of a 'copy' operation. A blue rectangular node labeled 'cta:copy' is at the bottom left. Two yellow oval nodes, 'uwsdata:parameters/infile' and 'uwsdata:results/outfile', are positioned above it. A green curved arrow labeled 'wasGeneratedBy' points from 'cta:copy' to 'uwsdata:results/outfile'. A red curved arrow labeled 'used' points from 'uwsdata:parameters/infile' to 'cta:copy'. A yellow trapezoidal node labeled 'cta:consortium' is at the top right, connected by a dashed line to a white rectangular box containing 'prov:type Organization'. A small white box at the bottom left contains 'prov:startTime 2016-04-13T14:28:45' and 'prov:endTime 2016-04-13T14:28:46'.

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# Authentication & Authorization

Sign in through eduGAIN

OR

Sign in using CTA Unity IDM

OR

OpenID Connect



OAuth2



OAuth



OpenID 2.0

mservillat.pip.verisignlabs.com

Submit

OR

Username

admin

Password

...

Submit

Reset

- ◆ **Shibboleth+Grouper**

- ◆ EduGAIN federation
- ◆ SAML2

- ◆ **Unity IDM**

- ◆ Uses OpenID Connect

- ◆ **OpenID Connect**

- ◆ Google as an IdP

- ◆ **OAuth2**

- ◆ Github, Google, Facebook, ...

- ◆ **OAuth**

- ◆ Twitter, ...

- ◆ **OpenID 2.0 (deprecated)**

- ◆ **Local account**

# Summary

- ◆ **CTA: the Cherenkov Telescope Array**
  - ◆ An **open** observatory for the TeV domain
  - ◆ For the **first time!**
  - ◆ **Compatibility** with existing VO standard?
  - ◆ **Evolution** of current standards and **new** ones!
- ◆ **Related IVOA working groups:**
  - ◆ **DM**: Provenance data model
  - ◆ **GWS**: UWS pattern, A&A solutions
  - ◆ Semantics, DAL, Applications...
- ◆ **ASTERICS H2020 project**
  - ◆ Meetings, schools, working groups on those topics