

Reconstructing Muons in CTA



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Need for Generic Algorithms

- CTA will comprise a variety of telescopes and cameras
- Don't want every camera/telescope team to have a separate reconstruction algorithm
- Ideally a single, generic algorithm in the pipeline, which can be applied to all
- —> Need flexible/generalised approach



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CTA simulations

- Simulated muons for all telescopes with prod-3
- Converted output into HESS readable format
- New mirror descriptions (within the muon code) required for CTA telescopes
- Cuts required optimising
- Same code now used for all HESS and CTA telescopes; telescope configuration passed as input



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CTA Mirror Descriptions

CTA Mirrors generally well approximated by a circle

Interpolation more precise, but small corrections





Dual Mirror SSTs more complex

N.B. SST-dc ~ SST-1M, and SSTsc ~ SST-GCT , but some minor differences



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- Find poor distribution when treating the secondary mirror as a hole/loss of light (left)
- Improved by adding contributions to the chord across both mirrors (right)
- However, need to scale to account for the overall shadowing

$$\beta = \frac{A_p - (A_s - A_{sh})}{A_p - A_{ph}}$$

• N.B. —> Seems to work; not the final word!





H.E.S.S. II µ Performance



- Linearity of correction factor with degradation is improved over previous algorithm
- Shown on MC (linearity always assumed in application to data)

 $c = \varepsilon_{\mu} (\text{degraded MC}) / \varepsilon_{\mu} (\text{nominal MC})$

CTA µ Performance



- Correction factor mostly linear with optical efficiency degradation
- Treatment of secondary mirror needs more thought
- Cut optimisation still needed

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Other factors affecting muon calibration



HES

- Quality cuts based on environment and hardware:
 - Reject data with large number of broken pixels
 - Reject data with high humidity
 - (Wind speed <=> aerosol content in simulations)
- Cherenkov angle depends on atmosphere & altitude

Other factors affecting muon calibration



- Partial Muon Rings
- Background from hadronic shower
- Ring Broadening effects...



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Different ring broadening effects for the MST

Number of muons



Number of muons detected depends on telescopes taking data —> depends on array location Mono muon trigger for MSTs?

Variation over time





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- Should the muon calibration be implemented per "run", per night, or per month?
- All three currently available in HESS

How to apply muon calibration to data?

- In HESS: currently, take ratio of muon efficiency to a reference value from Monte Carlo - gives a correction factor
- Correction is applied directly to reconstructed energy estimates rather than image size
- Alternatively; interpolate between lookup tables rather than applying a correction
- Also affects the **effective area** of the array
- Two schools of thought within HESS:
 - Reproduce Monte Carlo when efficiencies deviate significantly (~10%) from current set
 - Continue with same Monte Carlo, adjusting by correction factor
- Other approaches?
 - MAGIC use a conversion efficiency ratio as a correction to the MC ADC counts - photons conversion factor
 - MAGIC also measure the **PSF** from the width of the Gaussian fit
 - VERITAS no corrections directly applied (?)
 - **Run-wise simulations**: no correction (factor = 1.0) monitoring only?
- Which to adopt? (at array level and at telescope/camera level)

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Thank you for your attention

Any Questions?



