

Cherenkov Transparency Coefficient Part 2: Array calibration

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Cherenkov Transparency Coefficient



- CTC in CTA:
 - calibrate only within pairs of telescopes
 - apply for many pairs and constrain the calibration quantities
- transparency estimates for telescope pairs (*i*, *j*):



Geometrical configuration

Tuesday talk:

- stereo trigger rate depends on:
 - zenith angle (θ)
 - telescope separation (D)
 - telescope pair alignment w.r.t. shower direction (β)
- β dependence eliminated if separation expressed in the shower plane:
 - $d_{\rm SP}(\theta,\beta)$
- fits of the remaining dependencies (θ, d_{SP}) provide the rate estimate $F(D, \theta, \beta)$ for:
 - magnetic field $B \approx 0$

 - nominal atmosphere







- 2 MST-F in coincidence
- separation between telescopes: $d_{SP} = 150 \text{ m}$
- telescope detection efficiencies: $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 \in [0.1, 1.0]$





Original concept:

- Rate $\approx (E_{\text{threshold}})^{-1.7}$ $E_{\text{threshold}} \approx \varepsilon^{-1}$ *Rate* ≈ ε ^{1.7} •

Holds approximately for stereo rates on condition: $\varepsilon_1 = \varepsilon_2 \equiv \varepsilon_2$









- assumption: $Rate = F(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2)$
 - superposition of all possibilities results in a linear-like behaviour



Earth's magnetic field





R. de los Reyes, Ph.D. thesis





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- preliminary idea (ICRC):
 - deviations R_{Fit} (B≈0) R (B≠0) are small for $d_{SP} < 200$ m (ascertained from 2 configurations (θ, Φ))
 - inter-calibration: consider only telescope pairs less than 200 m apart and neglect the magnetic field effect
- works quite well for cases when B_{\perp} small
- not so straightforward for $B_{\perp} >> 0$? significant coupling of B, D, θ, β ?
 - at the moment, the biggest (final ?) obstacle
 - is it possible to decouple all dependencies as proposed?
 - look-up tables inevitable?

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 - for each pair (i,j) assume $\varepsilon_1 = \varepsilon_2 = 1$ and define:



 $\tau_{ij}(AOD) = \frac{R_{ij}(AOD, D, \theta, \beta, \vec{B}, \varepsilon)}{F(D, \theta, \beta, \vec{B}, \varepsilon)}$

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- treat optical efficiencies ε as free parameters:

$$\chi^{2} = \sum_{\text{pairs}} \frac{\left[a_{ij/kl} - \frac{\varepsilon_{i} \cdot \varepsilon_{j} - \varepsilon_{k} \cdot \varepsilon_{l}}{\varepsilon_{i} \cdot \varepsilon_{j} + \varepsilon_{k} \cdot \varepsilon_{l}}\right]^{2}}{\sigma_{ij/kl}^{2}}$$

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described procedure inspired by approach using reconstructed shower energies
 (A. Mitchell et al. 2015)



treat optical efficiencies ε as free parameters:



- applied to the full CTA-N layout:
 - 3AL4M15-5-F
 - 3 configurations (θ , ϕ)
 - randomly assigned telescope efficiencies from $\mathcal{N}(0.7, 0.1)$
 - inter-calibration separately for MST and LST sub-systems





- solve the magnetic field issue
- parametrize the stereo trigger rate for SSTs
- cross-calibration of telescopes of different types





Feasibility study of the CTC for array calibration:

- quantification of the influence of the zenith & azimuth angles, telescope alignment (Tuesday)
- updated hardware dependence correction
- ongoing study of the Earth's magnetic field influence
- inter-calibration performing well for the $B \approx 0$ case
- preliminary results presented at ICRC '17 (poster)
- cross-calibration under study









Table 1: Fit results of the parameters of the Eq.(2.2) to the relation $P = p_0$. $[1 + \exp(p_1 \cdot (\cos \theta - p_2))]^{-1}$. A_1 can be described by the expression $p_0 \cdot [\cos(p_1 \cdot \theta - p_2)] + p_3$, where $p_0 = (5.9 \pm 0.5)e^{-4}$, $p_1 = 6.2 \pm 0.3$, $p_2 = 53.9 \pm 7.4, p_3 = (8.63 \pm 0.03)e^{-3}$ and θ is given in degrees.

$$R_{\text{Fit}}(d_{\text{SP}}) = \begin{cases} A_0 \cdot e^{A_1 \cdot (d_{\text{SP}} - A_3)}, & \text{if } d_{\text{SP}} < A_3 \\ A_0 \cdot e^{A_2 \cdot (d_{\text{SP}} - A_3)}, & \text{if } d_{\text{SP}} > A_3. \end{cases}$$

Back-up











Monte Carlo simulations



- CORSIKA (v. 6990) + sim_telarray (21/12/2016)
- primary particles: **protons**
- energy range: 4 GeV 100 TeV
- site: La Palma
- atmospheric profile: atm. 36
- aerosols: atm_trans_2147_1_3_0_0_0
- number of showers: **250000**
- core re-scattering: 20
- telescopes: MST-F, LST
- array layout: 3AL4M15-5-F + some "testing" layouts
- jobs: > 50

- fixed azimuth $\phi = 0^{\circ}$ (i.e. along the x-axis)
- zenith angle *θ* ∈ [0°,60°]
- fixed magnetic field **B** ≈ 0
- telescope separation *D* ∈ [1 m, 640 m]
- telescope alignment w.r.t.
 the shower direction β ∈ [0°,90°]
- fixed telescope efficiencies $\varepsilon = 1.0$
- fixed atmosphere







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