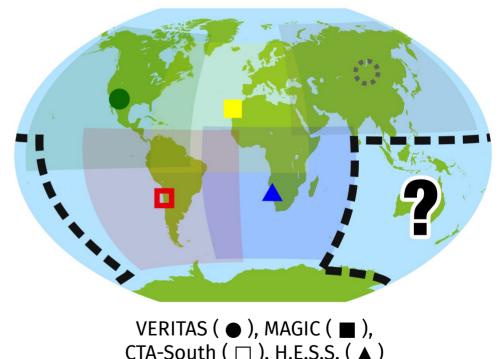
## Towards a Cherenkov Telescope Ring

Project Overview and Update

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# Cherenkov Telescope Ring (CTR)

- An idea for a world-wide network of Imagin Air Cherenkov Telescopes
- Allows for instantaneous follow-up on transients
- Allows for continuous monitoring of sources over days
- Necessitates a telescope in Australia



CTA-South ( $\square$ ), H.E.S.S. ( $\blacktriangle$ )

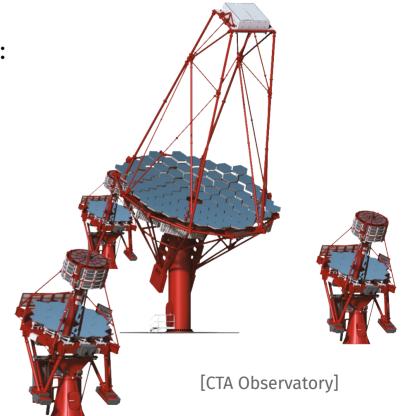
#### **Australian site: Location**

- An Australian site would be needed
- Which location?
- Weather conditions?
- Accessibility?
- Does altitude significantly affect performance?
- Weather studies talk to come by Paddy and Sabrina
  - https://indico.cta-observatory.org/event/3416/contributions/28556/



## **Australian site: Configuration**

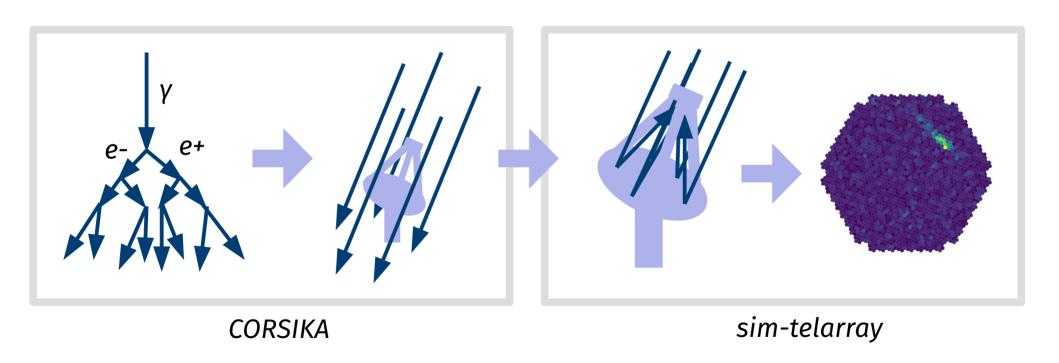
- How does the performance compare between:
  - SSTs in an array of 1, 2, 3, 4...
  - MSTs in an array of 1, 2, 3, 4...
  - How widespread?



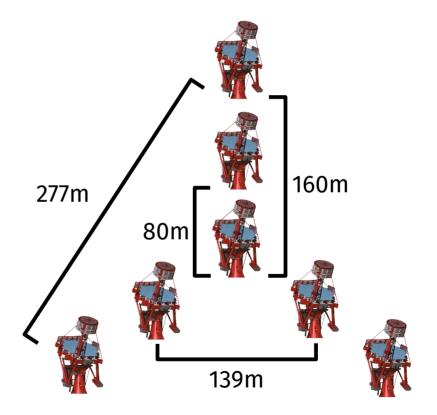
## **Project outline**

- Investigate Australia telescope site possibilities with simulations
- Aiming to understand:
  - Significance of altitude
  - Performance difference between telescope sizes
  - Amount of improvement with more telescopes
  - Performance difference between geometric configuration

## **CORSIKA & sim-telarray**



- 7-telescope arrangement to investigate a variety of array setups
- Simulating both MST and SST arrays



- Telescope 1
- Monoscopic setup









- Telescope 1 & 2
- Stereo setup with 80m baseline

















- Telescope 5 & 6
- Stereo setup with 277m baseline















- Telescope 1 & 5 & 6 & 7
- Four-telescope setup with 277m sides















## **Analysis pipeline**

#### **Low-level processing**

Extraction

↓
Calibration
↓
Cleaning
↓
Parameterisation

#### **High-level processing**

Energy reconstruction
+
Direction reconstruction
+
Gamma/hadron
separation

#### **Performance**

Angular resolution

+
Sensitivity
+
Energy resolution
+
Effective area
...

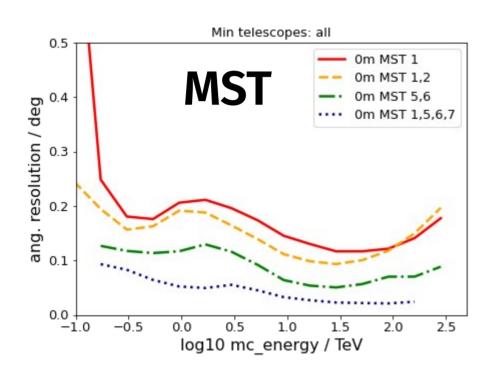
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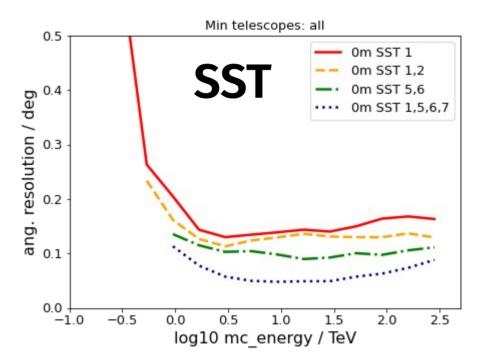
Refer to previous CTA-Oz talk:

https://indico.cta-observatory.org/event/3063/contributions/26413/

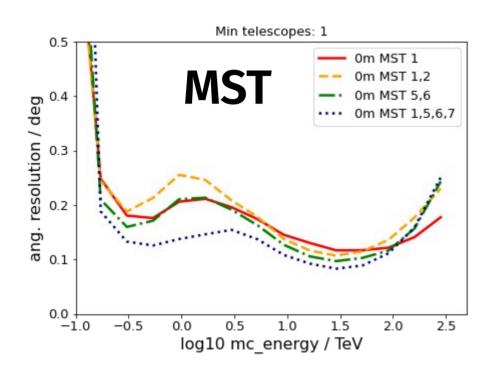
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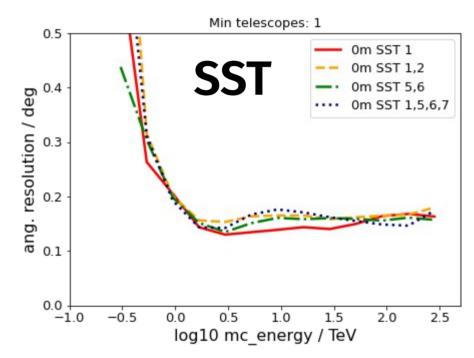
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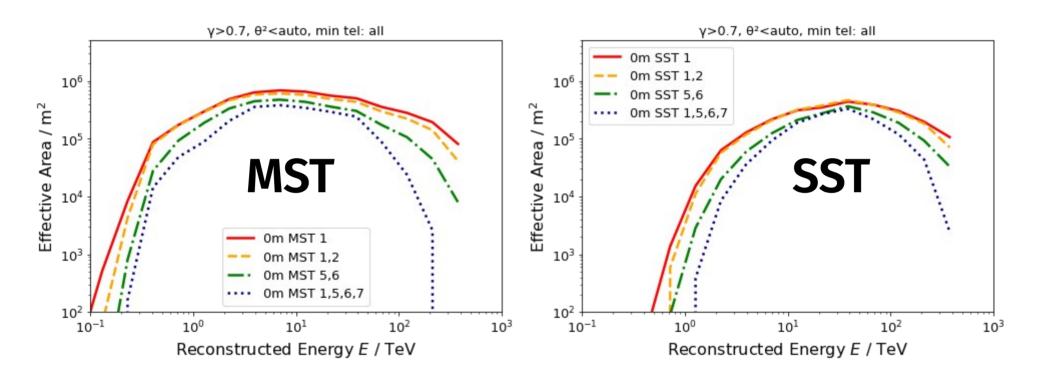


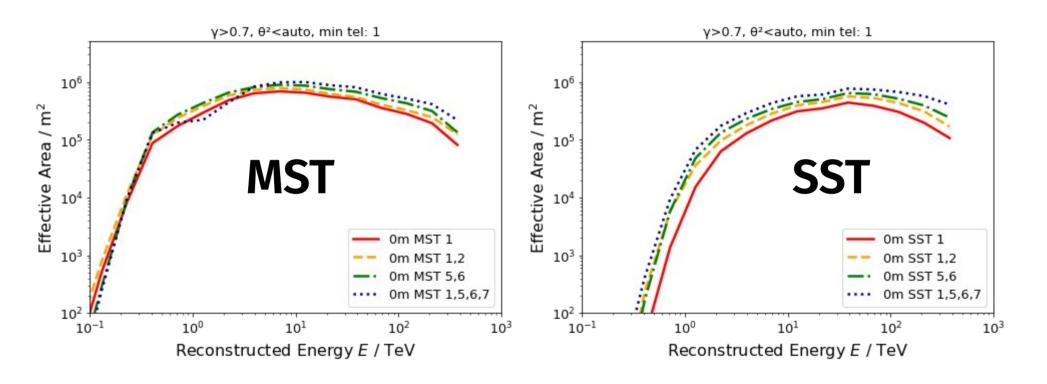


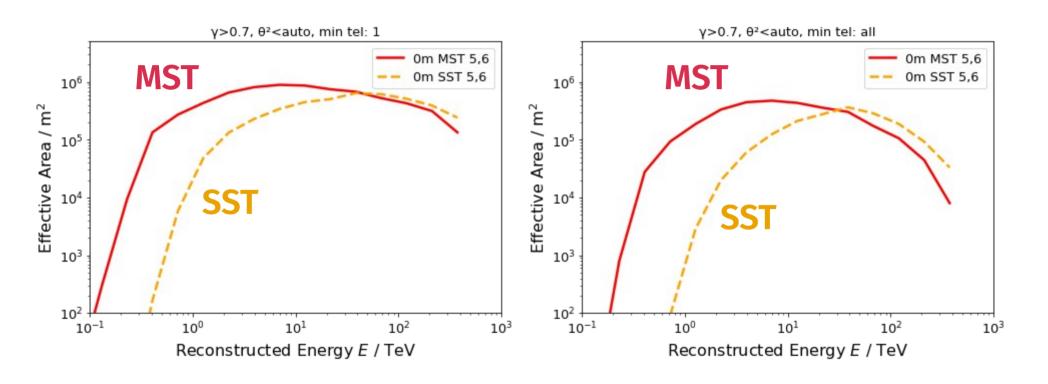
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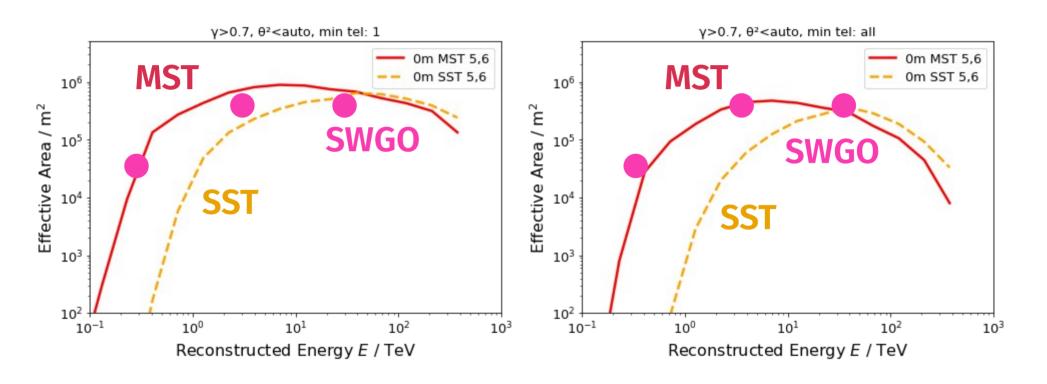




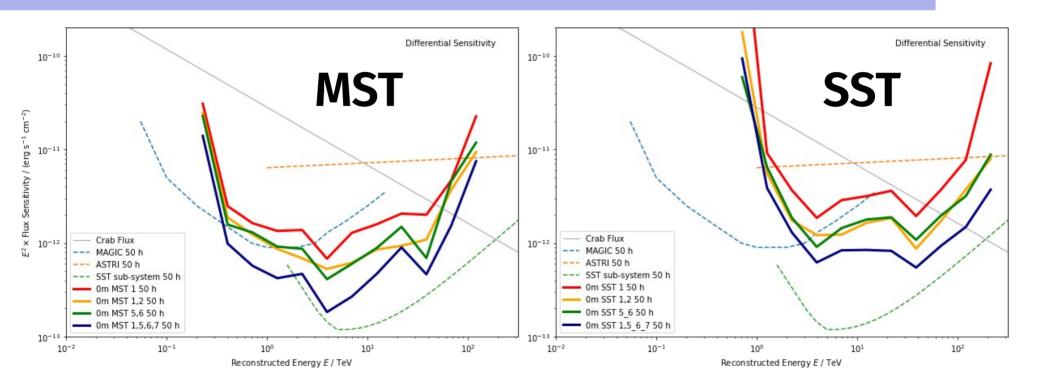




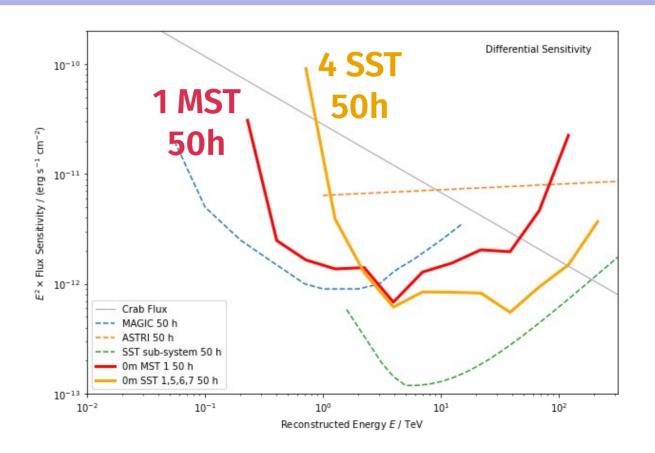




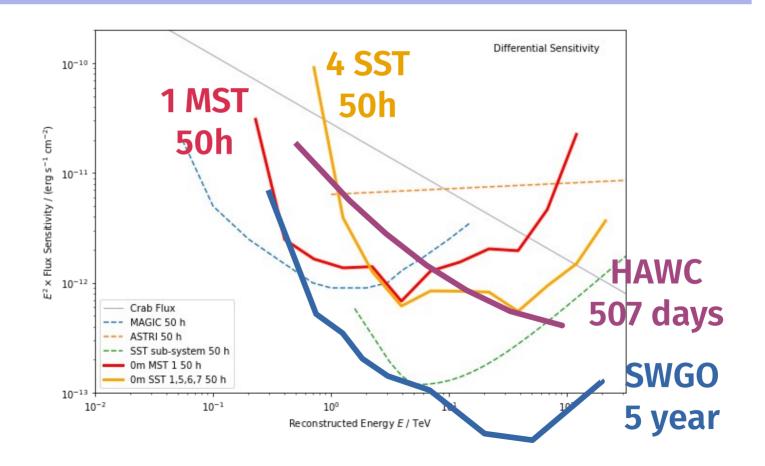
## Sensitivity



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## Conclusion

- The Cherenkov Telescope Ring is an idea to have a worlwide network of IACTs
- Simulations have been made to compare performance of different array setups and telescope types for one altitude
- Some preliminary performance comparison are showing promising results
- Future simulations will compare with an altitude of 0m, compared to 1000m

## Thankyou