

# ULTRA-HIGH-ENERGY COSMIC-RAY ORIGIN STUDIES WITH THE TA AND TAx4 SURFACE DETECTOR

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## **PROJECT APPROVED BUDGET**

Ref. No	Organizatio n name	Principal investigator	Research proposal	New/ Assessed amount (Unit: yen)		Unit: yen)	Screening result	
				going	Goods	Travel	Total	
F01	Institute for Nuclear Reseach RAS	Grigory I. Rubtsov	Ultra-high-energy cosmic-ray origin studies with the Telescope Array and TAx4 surface detector	Ongoin g	0	378,800	378,800	Approved

- Project started in 2019 FY
- Fund carry-over is requested to 2022 FY
  - The application is submitted for 2022 FY (no additional funds requested for 2022 FY)



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## **RESEARCH PURPOSE**

Using the data of TA and TAx4 Surface Detector:

- Establish chemical composition of the ultrahigh-energy cosmic rays at energy range from 1 EeV to 100 EeV.
- Search for anisotropy and sources of cosmic rays.
- Search for sources of ultra-high energy photons and neutrinos.



# THE RESULTS OF THE 2021 FY

- The neural network classifier has been developed for identifying primary particle type. The classifier employs full time-resolved signals from all triggered TA SD stations along with 16 composition-sensitive observables.
- Implementation of the new classifier have substantially increased the efficiency of the photon candidate selection compared to the previous analysis with the classifier based on the Boosted Decision Trees.
- The preliminary photon flux limits with the new classifier are presented at ICRC'2021.



## **TELESCOPE ARRAY SURFACE DETECTOR**





- ▶ 507 SD's, 3 m<sup>2</sup> each
- ▶ 680 *km*² area
- operating since May 2008

## Largest UHECR statistics in the Northern Hemisphere



# NEURAL NETWORK P- $\gamma$ CLASSIFIER



#### Input:

- incidence time and integral signal for 6x6 SD stations
- time-resolved signals for all triggered stations ordered by the front arrival time
- composition-sensitive event features

TA, Phys.Rev.D 99 (2019) 02200

## Output:

 The value ξ ∈ [0, 1] for an event.
ξ is close to 0 for proton-induced showers and to 1 for γ-induced.



## **CLASSIFIER RESULT FOR DATA AND MC**



Efficient separation of proton and photon-induced events



## **PHOTON CANDIDATE EVENTS**

energy cut	event date and time	comment
$E_0 > 10^{19.0}  {\rm eV}$	2010-10-04 16:58:42	
	2011-07-27 08:06:15	
	2011-09-16 19:40:56	
	2012-05-01 00:59:15	
	2012-07-06 01:49:11	
	2012-09-07 01:55:45	
	2013-08-27 22:38:37	
	2014-07-31 21:19:19	
	2014-08-14 09:46:58	
	2014-08-23 02:39:15	
	2014-09-27 07:54:35	
	2015-07-19 01:03:04	
	2017-09-12 18:32:59	
	2018-08-02 15:25:51	
	2018-10-03 04:03:48	
	2019-04-30 22:43:17	



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	2012-07-06 01:49:11	TGF candidate event	Terrestrial Gamma-Ray
	2012-09-07 01:55:45	TGF candidate event	Flashes candidate events are
	2013-08-27 22:38:37	TGF candidate event	time correlated with the
	2014-07-31 21:19:19	TGF candidate event	lightnings registered by
	2014-08-14 09:46:58		National Lightning Detection
	2014-08-23 02:39:15	TGF candidate event	Network
	2014-09-27 07:54:35	TGF candidate event	TA collaboration, JGR Atmospheres (2020)
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### **PHOTON FLUX LIMITS**

<i>E</i> <sub>0</sub> , eV	10 <sup>19.0</sup>	10 <sup>19.5</sup>	10 <sup>20.0</sup>
$\gamma$ candidates	162	111	<b>5</b> 0
$\bar{n} <$	6.72	5.14	3.09
A <sub>eff</sub>	3428	5546	7875
$ F_{\gamma}  <$	$2.0 imes10^{-3}$	$9.3 imes10^{-4}$	$3.9 imes10^{-4}$



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## **RECENT PUBLICATIONS**

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