The Cherenkov Telescope Array (CTA)



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Imaging Air Cherenkov Telescopes



IACTs Complement HAWC

- HAWC scans the sky
- IACTs (like CTA) point at a source



Pulsar Wind

Nebulae

Current Generation of IACTs



The Cherenkov Telescope Array
An array of dozens of telescopes
Different sizes for different energies

A New Telescope Design

Davies-Cotton

Schwarzschild-Couder



CTA is International



Summary

•The Cherenkov Telescope Array is the next generation Imaging Air Cherenkov Telescope



•Prototype coming soon to a desert near you!