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# Study of cosmic ray showers front and time structure with ARGO-YBJ

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#### **Abstract content**

ARGO-YBJ is a full coverage Extensive Air Shower array located by the high-altitude cosmic rays laboratory of Yangbajing (4300 m a.s.l., Tibet, China). The detector consists of a layer of Resistive Plate Counters covering an area of about 5800 m<sup>2</sup> with 58x62 cm<sup>2</sup> unit cells. This design allows a detailed characterization of cosmic ray showers induced by primaries with energy in the range from 300 GeV up to 100 TeV. A set of well reconstructed data has been used in order to study the shower phenomenology and front structure with high time resolution (1 ns accuracy) and fine granularity. Simulated CORSIKA showers have been used and the detector response is taken into account in detail for this analysis. Several observables have been investigated in both real and simulated data and compared, aiming to derive hints on cosmic ray shower age, energy and mass composition. Results are presented and discussed.

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ARGO-YBJ Collaboration

### Summary

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