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Galactic Cosmic Ray Anisotropy with the IceCube Observatory

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cosmic ray observations energy spectrum & composition

Gaisser, Stanev, Tilav, 2013 - arXiv:1303.3565





indirect measurements

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cosmic ray observations the age of air shower experiments



high energy cosmic rays sidereal anisotropy





~10-3

equatorial coordinates



IceCube & IceTop observing neutrinos and cosmic rays at South Pole



cosmic rays anisotropy arrival direction distribution

- cosmic rays expected to be *almost* isotropic
- scrambled by galactic magnetic field
- what does *isotropy* look like in IceCube ?







determination of anisotropy arrival direction distribution

IceCube local coordinates



raw map of events in equatorial coordinates $(\alpha, \delta)_i$

reference map of events *scrambled* over 24hr in α (or time) within same δ band → response map to isotropic flux

residual map as relative intensity normalized in each δ band: equal deficit/excess.

→ equal deficit/excess contribution





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determination of anisotropy arrival direction distribution



$$s = \sqrt{2} \left\{ N_{\text{on}} \ln \left[\frac{1+\alpha}{\alpha} \left(\frac{N_{\text{on}}}{N_{\text{on}} + N_{\text{off}}} \right) \right] + N_{\text{off}} \ln \left[(1+\alpha) \left(\frac{N_{\text{off}}}{N_{\text{on}} + N_{\text{off}}} \right) \right] \right\}^{1/2} \alpha = 1/20$$

$$\text{Li, T, & Ma, Y. 1983, ApJ, 272, 317}$$

$$\text{IceCube - Aartsen et al., ApJ & 826, 220, 2016}$$

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$$\frac{1}{45 - 40 - 30 - 20 - 10 - 0 - 10 - 20 - 30 - 40 - 45}$$

$$\text{relative intensity}$$

$$\frac{\Delta I}{\langle I \rangle} = \frac{N_i - \langle N \rangle}{\langle N \rangle}$$

Relative Intensity [x 10^{-3}]

observing TeV-PeV cosmic ray anisotropy high statistics but small effects



understanding experimental biases/limitations and compensate, when possible



determine anisotropy at different energies



determine anisotropy at different angular scales



determine anisotropy variations in time



determine anisotropy at different primary masses



determine anisotropy with full sky observations

observing cosmic ray anisotropy projection blindness







sky maps show ONLY modulations projected on equatorial plane

a known anisotropy Earth's revolution around the Sun





observing cosmic ray anisotropy energy dependency





Aartsen et al., ApJ 826, 220 (2016)

observing cosmic ray anisotropy energy dependency





observing cosmic ray anisotropy energy dependency (< knee)

Aartsen et al., ApJ 826, 220, 2016

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cosmic ray anisotropy depends on primary energy

large scale changes structure above 100 TeV

imaging magnetic effects at larger distances with increasing energy

Note: cosmic ray composition changes as well vs. energy



-1 -0.8 -0.6 -0.4 -0.2 0 0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8 Relative Intensity [x 10⁻³]





-1 -0.8 -0.6 -0.4 -0.2 0 0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8 1 Relative Intensity [x 10⁻³]



1.4 PeV



-3 -2.4 -1.8 -1.2 -0.6 0 0.6 1.2 1.8 2.4 3 15 Relative Intensity [x 10⁻³]

observing cosmic ray anisotropy energy dependency (< knee)



not a dipole distribution

hardly a dipole distribution

observing cosmic ray anisotropy dipole component



IceCube **IceCube** Aartsen et al., ApJ 826, 220, 2016 0.0015 0.0010 anisotropy has complex A_1 angular structure 0.0005dipole component thought to be 0.0000 related to diffusion in 90 interstellar magnetic fields 450 315 ○ 270
 ○ 270
 ○ 225 as if two dipole components transition from one to another 225 180 135

90

3.5

4.0

4.5

5.0

5.5

 $\log_{10}(E/\text{GeV})$

6.0

6.5

7.0

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observing cosmic ray anisotropy dipole component



IceCube





observing cosmic ray anisotropy CR mass dependency ? Muons vs. EM showers?





cosmic ray anisotropy energy dependence





cosmic ray anisotropy energy dependence

HAWC-300 D. Fiorino (from S. Westerhoff)



HAWC-300 D. Fiorino

- 241 days of HAWC, 19 billion events.
- Sky maps shown after 10° top-hat smoothing.
- The amplitudes are the dipole moment of a full multipole fit (note large error bars).
- Fluctuations take over at E_{med} = 82 TeV.



angular power spectrum phenomenological fingerprint: physics + biases



density gradient / diffusion?



effects of magnetic instabilities / turbulence?

high energy cosmic rays small scale anisotropy & spectral anomalies



-90°



1-5 TeV

-5

statistical significance

high energy cosmic rays small scale anisotropy & spectral anomalies









cosmic rays anisotropy stability AMANDA-IceCube 2000-2014



Marcos Santander ICRC 2013

IceCube - Aartsen et al., ApJ 826, 220, 2016

median energy ~ 20 TeV

cosmic rays anisotropy stability Tibet Array

Tibet Array 2005







CR anisotropy as fingerprint on **origin** and **propagation**

CR anisotropy from **standard diffusion** at *large-scale* (global) & **non-diffusive processes** (angular structure)

probe into local environment properties (Local Bubble, LIMF, heliosphere, ...) and into interstellar turbulence properties

likely many overlapping phenomena: anisotropy vs. energy, angular structure, time, primary particle mass

- determine anisotropy vs. rigidity (i.e. for different CR particle masses)
- overcome experimental limitations, such as limited FoV
- full-sky observations: surface IceCube-HAWC & satellite observations



Thank you...

