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# ASTROPARTICLE II

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### **CONTENTS OF TWO LECTURES**

- Radiation from the universe and cosmic rays (CR)
- Cosmic ray observables: spectrum and composition
- Propagation and sources of cosmic rays
- The connection of CRs to other messengers :
- CRs with Ultra-High Energy CRs
  - Gamma-Rays
  - Neutrinos



### THE MESSENGER PROPAGATION

AGN, SNRs, GRBs,...

black hole

**GAMMA-RAYS** point to their sources but are absorbed and have multiple emission mechanisms.Also produced by leptonic acceleration, inverse Compton and synchrotron emission

Earth

#### NEUTRINOS

They are neutral and weak <sup>w</sup> particles: point to the source carrying information from the deepest parts.

#### **COSMIC RAYS**

Deflected by magnetic fields  $(E < 10^{19} \text{ eV})$ 

air shower

### THE INTERACTION LENGTH OF A PARTICLE

- Horizon = messenger mean free path (interaction length) in a medium
- X-section  $\sigma$ : area of the target intercepted by a beam measured as average fraction of scattered particles per unit time in the solid angle d $\Omega$  per unity of incident flux

$$\frac{d\sigma(E,\Omega)}{d\Omega} = \frac{1}{\Phi} \frac{dN_s}{d\Omega}$$

Mean free path :



w = interaction probability = N $\sigma$ dx, where N = n. of target particles/Volume

P(x) = prob. that a particle does not interact after traveling a distance x

P(x + dx) = P(x) (1-wdx) = prob. that a particle has no interaction between x and x+dx

$$P(x + dx) = P(x) + \frac{dP}{dx}dx = P(x) - P(x)wdx \quad \Rightarrow \frac{dP}{P} = -wdx \Rightarrow P(x) = P(0)e^{-wx}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{\int xP(x)dx}{\int P(x)dx} = \frac{1}{w} = \frac{1}{N\sigma} = \frac{Am_p}{\sigma\rho} \text{Target material} \qquad \begin{array}{c} P(0) = 1 \text{ initially} \\ \text{the particle did not} \\ \text{interact} \end{array}$$

### THE MESSENGER HORIZON = INTERACTION LENGTH IN THE COSMOS



Proton horizon (GZK cut-off):  

$$p\gamma_{2.7K} \rightarrow \Delta^+ \rightarrow \pi^+ n$$
  
 $L_{\gamma} = \frac{1}{\sigma_{p-\gamma} n_{\gamma}} \sim 10 \text{ Mpc}$   
 $\sim \frac{1}{10^{-28} \text{ cm}^2 \times 400 \text{ cm}^{-3}}$ 

The neutrino horizon is comparable to the observable universe!

$$\bar{\nu}\nu_{1.95K} \to Z \to X$$

$$L_{v} = \frac{1}{\sigma_{res} \times n} = \frac{1}{5 \times 10^{31} cm^{2} \times 112 cm^{-3}} \approx 6Gpc$$

arxiv.org/pdf/0811.1160v2.pdf

### **ACCELERATORS**

#### **Large Hadron Collider:** $E_{max} = c \cdot e \cdot B \cdot R = 7 \times 10^{12} \text{ eV}$



9593 superconducting magnets at -271.3 °C accelerate protons to collide in 4 points instrumented to analyze matter and its constituents in which it decomposes at these extreme conditions similar to  $3 \times 10^{-15}$  seconds after the Big Bang(15 TeV correspond to abt.  $10^{17}$  Kelvin)

### **COSMIC ACCELERATORS**

## An LHC with the radius of the Mercury orbit could accelerate protons to $10^{20} \text{ eV} = 10^7 \text{ x LHC}!$



### **MESSENGER ACCELERATION: THE HILLAS' PLOT**



Lorentz force

$$F_L = qvB = m\frac{v^2}{R}$$

Imposing that the Larmour is equal to the accelerating region

 $R = R_{acc}$ 

We find the maximum energy at which the charged relativistic particle with q = Ze can be accelerated

$$R_L = \frac{cp}{ZeB} \approx 100 \,\mathrm{pc} \,\frac{3\mu\mathrm{G}}{B} \,\frac{E}{Z \times 10^{18} \mathrm{eV}}$$
$$E_{\mathrm{max}} \simeq Z \left(\frac{B}{\mu\mathrm{G}}\right) \left(\frac{R_{\mathrm{source}}}{\mathrm{kpc}}\right) \times 10^9 \,\mathrm{GeV}$$

For jets with Lorentz factors  $\Gamma$ ,  $E_{max} \cong \Gamma ZBR$ 

### **UHECR MESSENGERS**

#### Can UHECR be cosmic messengers?

Yes ! But only in a tiny energy window between the minimum energy at which they are not deflected by B-fields and when they are not absorbed on cosmic radiation (GZK cutoff).





### **MAGNETIC FIELD DEFLECTIONS OF UHECRS**

If UHECR are not protons then astronomy with them will be not easy due to larger magnetic deflections.

$$mv^{2}/r = pv/r = ZevB/c$$

$$r = pc/ZeB$$

$$r = (10^{12} eV) = 10^{15} cm = 3 \times 10^{-4} pc$$

$$r(cm) = \frac{1}{300} \frac{E(eV)}{ZB(G)}$$

$$r = (10^{15} eV) = 10^{18} cm = 3 \times 10^{-1} pc$$

$$(10^{18} eV) = 10^{21} cm = 300 pc$$



### THE UHECR COMPOSITION

 $X_{max}$  = depth in the atmosphere where shows maximum occurs. It is an indictor of the composition since Fe showers penetrate less in the atmosphere than proton once principally due to the smaller interaction length.



### THE GENERIC MESSENGER SOURCE: EARTH & HEAVEN



### THE GENERIC MESSENGER SOURCE : A COSMIC BEAM DUMP



### **NEUTRINO SPECTRA FROM COSMIC RAY AND GAMMA SPECTRA**

Neglecting gammaray absorption and including standard neutrino oscillations

$$\frac{dN_{\nu}}{dE} = \frac{dN_{\gamma}}{dE} \text{ for } p - p$$
$$\frac{dN_{\nu}}{dE} = \frac{dN_{\gamma}}{dE} \text{ for } p - \gamma$$



Neutrino and γ-Ray Spectra for RX J1713.7-3946 (SNR)

### **GAMMA-RAY ASTRONOMY : HISTORICAL HINTS**

- 2002: Nobel prize to Koshiba-Davis-Giacconi (for birth of X-ray astronomy)
- 1953: Galbraight and Kelley build first rudimental Cherenkov telescope with a garbage can (birth of gamma-ray astronomy)
- Whipple discovers Crab Nebula after about 20 years exploiting the gamma/hadron discrimination of shower images on a 37 PMT camera with 3.5° FoV
- In 1989 Crab was the only TeV source, nowadays ...



Lorenz & Wagner, arXiv:1207.6003



### **MULTIWALENGTH ASTRONOMICAL OBSERVATIONS**



Wave length

### THE MULTIWALENGTH SKY



### THE ACCELERATORS SKY IN THE TEV SEEN BY FERMI-LAT







### THE SKY > 10 GEV

### Plenty of yet unidentified sources!





E > 100 MeV (3FGL Catalog) 3033 sources 1785 associated 1697 AGN

#### E > 10 GeV

(3FHL Catalog) 1558 sources 1242 associated 1223 AGN

3rd Source Catalog
Fermi-LAT Coll., arXiv:1501.02003
3rd Catalog of Hard Sources
Fermi-LAT Coll., arXiv:1702.0066

### **GAMMA-RAY PULSARS WITH FERMI**

### 117 Gamma-ray Pulsars



### **GALACTIC PLANE SURVEYS**

1720 sources (54 extended)



### **NEW SOURCES IN THE TEV REGION**



At energies below 10 GeV, only the radio galaxy NGC 1275 (Perseus A) is visible, but above 10 GeV a second source (to the lower right) emerges. Above 100 GeV, only this source, the headtail galaxy IC 310, remains. From Neronov et al (2010)

New sources and features emerge in the gamma-ray sky with increasing energy

Large structures of spectrally hard gamma-ray emission above 100MeV discovered in data from the Fermi-LAT telescope. (Su et al. ApJ 724 2010 and Dobler et al, ApJ 717, 2010)





### THE SERENDIPITOUS SKY: THE FERMI BUBBLES



Residual map removing point sources, gas correlated emission,...

Ackermann et al. ApJ 793 2014

### THE TEV SKY

#### tevcat.uchicago.edu



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E ~ 1 TeV 198 sources 150 associated 70 AGN

### TWO MAJOR TECHNIQUES TO DETECT GAMMA-RAYS AT GROUND



### THE NEW GENERATION TEV GAMMA-RAY OBSERVATORY

#### 20 GeV – 300 TeV energy range up to 10 x more sensitive

better than 10<sup>-13</sup> erg/cm<sup>2</sup>s in TeV range
 20 sec slewing for large telescopes
 operated as open observatory

### Chile site: 99 telescopes

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### La Palma site: 19 telescopes



## IACT detection in detail





- the camera images the shower piece by piece on hit pixels with ns precision
- we can reconstruct where is the **source of gamma-rays** !
- With more than a telescope, the precision on the position of the source improves

### A camera at night

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- How we can have a clear signature from gamma-rays on top of the noise?
  - It is enough to set a threshold on the amplitude of signals Signal of a pixel during a night with moon

Le maximum at 17 pe Signal with photons maximum at 3700 pe ! 000 500



## Can we identify gamma-rays?

### ➡ It is not so simple....



- → there are about 10<sup>5</sup> more cosmic ray hadronic showers,
- energy and inclination of showers affect them and when energy is low it is tough to have clear images
- the core of the shower (the Centre of Mass of the charge) can be close or far from the telescope

## The signature of a gamma-ray



- ➡elongated shape
- →regular charge development

## The signature of an hadron



The development of the shower is sparse on the plane of te camera

- The shape is more round and sometimes with sparse charge on far away pixels
- not a preferential direction

### THE SPECTRAL EMISSION FROM A TYPICAL ACCELERATOR: CRAB



### THE 1<sup>ST</sup> ACCELERATION MECHANISM IN SN REMNANTS

On of the features of the  $1^{st}$  order Fermi accelerator is to produce E<sup>-2</sup> spectra maximum acceleration energy since the accelerator has finite lifetime T<sub>A</sub> the

 $E \le E_0 (1+\xi)^{T_A/T_{cycle}}$ 

 $T_{cycle}$ : time the particle takes to cross back and fourth the shock

- For a SN the shock is an efficient accelerator until the density of ejecta becomes comparable to the density of ISM in the Galaxy (order of 100-1000 yrs) => E<sub>max</sub> ~ 100 TeV x Z
- This energy is about an order of magnitude lower than the knee of ~3 PeV x Z...
   PROBLEM!
- SN efficiency is age dependent



### NOT YET A SNR PEVATRON OBSERVED BY GAMMA-RAY EXPERIMENTS



W. Hoffman, HEP-EPS 2017

### **BEYOND DSA**

Non-linear DSA (dynamical connection between CRs being accelerated and the background plasma) is in agreement with observed filaments due to synchrotron emission of electrons of dimensions of 10<sup>-2</sup> pc. They imply large B-fields of the order of 100 uG

Chandra Cassiopeia A Chandra SN 1006

 $\Delta x \approx \sqrt{D(E_{max})\tau_{loss}(E_{max})} \approx 0.04 \ B_{100}^{-3/2} \ \mathrm{pc}$ 

 $B \approx 100 \ \mu Gauss$ 

### **SPECTAL DISAGREEMENT WITH DSA**

Observed spectra are softer than what predicted by DSA (E<sup>-2</sup>) and on-linear DSA (concave shape)



D. Caprioli et al. / Astroparticle Physics 33 (2010) 160-168

Alternative source scenarios are possible: BH PeVatron in the Galactic Centre (H.E.S.S. arXiv:1603.07730) being more efficient accelerator or superbubbles

http://www.nature.com/nature/journal/v460/n7256/full/nature08127.html

### THE TEV REGION

In this region it is possible to identify CR acceleration through precise measurements of spectra of cosmic accelerators or the detection of astrophysical neutrinos from a source



$$p \, p_{\rm ISM} \to \pi^0 \to \gamma \gamma$$

Ackermann et al. (Fermi Collaboration), Science, 339, 807 (2013)

### SOME NEUTRINO ASTRONOMY HISTORICAL HINTS

#### Neutrino telescope concept birth

#### COSMIC RAY SHOWERS<sup>1</sup>

#### Ann.Rev.Nucl.Sci 10 (1960) 63

#### By Kenneth Greisen

Let us now consider the feasibility of detecting the neutrino flux. As a detector, we propose a large Cherenkov counter, about 15 m. in diameter, located in a mine far underground. The counter should be surrounded with photomultipliers to detect the events, and enclosed in a shell of scintillating material to distinguish neutrino events from those caused by  $\mu$  mesons. Such a detector would be rather expensive, but not as much as modern ac-

Fanciful though this proposal seems, we suspect that within the next decade, cosmic ray neutrino detection will become one of the tools of both physics and astronomy.



M.Markov, 1960: We propose to install detectors deep in a lake or in the sea and to determine the direction of charged particleswith th e help of Cherenkov radiation. Proc. 1960 ICHEP

1965: F. Reines detects neutrino with Cherenkov technique in South African mine

### **NOBEL PRIZE WINNERS IN THE NEUTRINO SECTOR**

#### Nobel prize 2002



Oscillations with neutrinos from thermonuclear reactions in the Sun  $\sim 6 \times 10^{10}$  vs per cm<sup>2</sup> per s<sup>1</sup> with E<sub>v</sub> $\sim 0.1 - 20$  MeV produced in thermonuclear reactions in the Sun

 $4p \rightarrow {}^{4}\mathrm{He} + 2e^{+} + 2\nu_{e}$ 

means ~ 100,000 billion solar neutrinos pass through your body/s







T. Kajita

M. Koshiba



Supernova 1987A Neutrinos : ~ 10 s bursts of 10 MeV vs from stellar collapse

$$e^{-} + p \rightarrow n + v_{e}$$
$$e^{-} + e^{+} \rightarrow \overline{v} + v$$





Oscillations with atmospheric neutrinos

### **CHERENKOV NEUTRINO TELESCOPE DETECTION PRINCIPLE**



### **NEUTRINO TOPOLOGIES**

**CC Muon Neutrino** 



track (data)

factor of  $\approx 2$  energy resolution < 1° angular resolution

#### Neutral Current /Electron Neutrino



≈ ±15% deposited energy resolution
 ≈ 10° angular resolution
 (at energies ≥ 100 TeV)

#### **CC Tau Neutrino**

time



"double-bang" and other signatures (simulation)

(not observed yet)

### Vetoing atmospheric backgrounds



Gaisser, Jero, Karle, van Santen, Phys. Rev. D, 90:023009 (2014)





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### **SIGNALS FROM THE HEAVENS**



PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS, • 12 JULY 2013 Science Seps. MAAAS

physicsworld

2013

### **HIGH ENERGY STARTING EVENTS**

#### Zenith distribution is incompatible with atmospheric neutrinos

#### 82 events/6 yrs



#### Reminder: at south pole zenith = 90° - declination



The real voyage of discovery consists not in seeking new landscapes, but in having new eyes. (Marcel Proust)



