The four *"Messengers"* of High Energy Astrophysics

Interplay between the different observations and Perspectives for the Future

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Cosmic Rays, Photons, Neutrinos

Gravitational Waves

4 Messengers for the study of the *"High Energy Universe"* Three messengers are "inextricably" tied together

[Cosmic Rays, Gamma Rays, High Energy Neutrinos can really be considered as three probes that study the same underlying physical phenomena]



Cosmic Ray Accelerator



Astrophysical object accelerating particles to relativistic energies

Contains populations of relativistic protons, Nuclei electrons/positrons

Emission of

COSMIC RAYS

PHOTONS

NEUTRINOS

Fundamental Mechanism: Acceleration of Charged Particles to Very High Energy ("non thermal processes") in astrophysical objects (or better "events").

Creation of Gamma Rays and Neutrinos via the interactions of these relativistic charged particles.



Gravitational Waves Studies Entering a new exciting era with LIGO/VIRGO



Sources are transients

[with a variety of time scales from a small fraction of a second to thousands of years]

Associated to Compact Objects

Neutron stars, Black Holes (stellar and Supermassive)

FORMATION of Compact Objects (very large acceleration of very large masses)

Natural connection to Gravitational Waves



GRB 170817A

GW 170817

Non accelerator sources of High Energy Particles

Dark Matter (in form of WIMP's self annihilation or decay)

Super Massive Particles [Very High mass scales (M_{GUT}...)]

Production of high energy particles of all types γ , ν , e^+ , e^- , p , ...

Gamma Rays

More in general photons in a very broad range of energy (wavelength) [21 orders of magnitudes] from Radio to 100 TeV (and above in the future)



FERMI Telescope (E > 30 MeV)



Gamma Ray Burst Monitor [GBM] (E = 10 KeV - 10 MeV)



Gamma Astronomy has revealed a a very rich, fascinating landscape

- Many sources have been identified [GeV , TeV ranges]
- Several classes of objects [SNR, Pulsars, PWN, AGN, GRB, ...]

Probably different acceleration mechanisms.

Still developing an understanding many questions remain open



Diffuse Emission

Fermi–LAT counts Galactic coordinates



energy range 200 MeV to 100 GeV^{-1}



Cosmic Ray interactions in the Interstellar Medium

50% of flux +- 5 degrees around equator [Galactic gas]

3rd FERMI Catalog

3034 sources



TeV Sky 170 \rightarrow 200 Sources



blue-to-red colors -> 0.1 GeV – Fermi gamma-ray sky







Firm identifications

HESS survey of Galactic Plane [ICRC 2015] 77 "firm identifications"



Extraordinary beasts in the sky



SN 1006

Crab Nebula





SN 1006

Crab Nebula

Super Nova Remnants

GRB

970228

Gamma Ray Bursts

Pulsar Wind Nebulae



Active Galactic Nuclei

Acceleration of Cosmic Rays

[electrically charged particles]

The SUN: small scale laboratory: Solar Flare











7th march 2011. 20:02 UT



Aurora detected in Canada same night

This aurora image was taken on March 10, 2011 by Zoltan Kenwell near Edmonton, Alberta, Canada.

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"Analogy"

On a very different scale GW 170817







Collisions of charged particles with moving plasma clouds in the Galaxy *Energy transfer from a macroscopic object to particles*

Trinity Test (1945)

shock expanding (Sedov-Taylor phase)



large "quasi-istantaneous" release of energy at t=0

0.025 SEC. N

100 METERS

CAS A (1667)

FERMI "1st order acceleration at strong shocks

Astrophysical shock (SN explosion)



Creation of a Neutron Star in a SuperNova explosion



The CRAB Nebula

6 arcminutes

1 minute = 0.58 pc= 1.8 * 10¹⁸ cm

PULSARS



CRAB Nebula

 $P_{\rm Crab} = 0.0334 \ {\rm s}$

Proposed as possible Accelerators of e+ e-



 $(\Delta P_{\rm Crab})_{\rm year} = 13.2 \times 10^{-6}$ s Very large variation in the fraction of Spin Down Energy going into gamma Rays

ACTIVE GALACTIC NUCLEI



At the center of (probably) all galaxies there is a large mass concentration (millions or even billions of solar masses). Mass is very compact essentially certainly a SuperMassibe Black Hole

Accretion on the central object generates radiation in a very broad spectrum,

The brightest objects in the Universe.

ACTIVE GALACTIC NUCLEI



Radio


CYGNUS-A



Galactic Center





A gas cloud on its way towards the supermassive black hole at the Galactic Centre

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Infalling gas from the disruption of a star.



The helium-rich core of a red-giant star that had previously lost its hydrogen envelope moves on an almost parabolic orbit (red) towards a supermassive black hole. The sequence of blobs illustrates the progressive distortion of the star's core due to the tidal pull of the black hole. After the point of closest approach to the black hole, the core is completely disrupted, with part of the resulting debris being expelled from the system and part being launched into highly eccentric orbits, eventually falling onto the black hole. Accretion of this debris gives rise to the intense ultraviolet–optical flare that has been observed by Gezari and colleagues¹.

GAMMA RAY BURSTS (GRB's)



Proposed source Of the CR



Two Classes of Gamma Ray Bursts: "Short" and "Long"







Images: A 1998 supernova (*SN 1998bw*, left) and the corresponding gamma-ray burst on April 25, 1998 (*GRB 980425*, right). Courtesy of Dr. Kulkarni.













FIG. 1.— Illustration of the formation of a DNS system which merges within a Hubble time and produces a single BH, following a powerful burst of GWs and a short GRB. Acronyms used in this figure: ZAMS: zero-age main sequence; RLO: Roche-lobe overflow (mass transfer); He-star: helium star; SN: supernova; NS: neutron star; HMXB: high-mass X-ray binary; CE: common envelope; BH: black hole.

Binary Pulsars (PSR 1913+16) (discovery Hulse & Taylor (1978) (Nobel prize 1993) [Pulsar 17 rotation/second]

300 Myr two neutron star coalesce

Orbit : 1.1 – 4.8 solar radii

Rotation period 7.75 hours *Period shorter* 76.5 microsecond/year

Orbit smaller 3.5 m/year







GRB : associated with a subset of SN Stellar Gravitational Collapse



Neutrinos





Neutrino Flavor, Neutrino masses

$$\{ \begin{array}{c} |\nu_e\rangle & , & |\nu_\mu\rangle & , & |\nu_\tau\rangle \end{array} \}$$
$$\{ \begin{array}{c} |\nu_1\rangle & , & |\nu_2\rangle & , & |\nu_3\rangle \end{array} \}$$

$$P_{\alpha j} = |\langle \nu_{\alpha} | \nu_{j} \rangle|^{2}$$
$$= |U_{\alpha j}|^{2}$$

mass

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \nu_{\mu} & \nu_{\tau} & \nu_{3} \\ \hline \nu_{e} & \nu_{\mu} & \nu_{\tau} & \nu_{2} \\ \hline \nu_{e} & \nu_{e} & \nu_{1} \end{array}$$

$$P(\nu_{\mu} \rightarrow \nu_{\tau}; L) = \sin^2 2\theta \sin^2 \left[1.27 \,\Delta m^2 (\text{eV}^2) \frac{L(\text{Km})}{E(\text{GeV})} \right]$$



Probability

$$P_{\nu_{\alpha} \to \nu_{\beta}}(E_{\nu}, L) = \left| \sum_{j} U_{\beta j} U_{\alpha j}^{*} e^{-i m_{j}^{2} \frac{L}{2E_{\nu}}} \right|^{2}$$
$$= \sum_{j=1,3} |U_{\beta j}|^{2} |U_{\alpha j}|^{2}$$
$$+ \sum_{j < k} 2 \operatorname{Re}[U_{\beta j} U_{\beta k}^{*} U_{\alpha j}^{*} U_{\alpha k}] \cos\left(\frac{\Delta m_{jk}^{2} L}{2E}\right)$$
$$+ \sum_{j < k} 2 \operatorname{Im}[U_{\beta j} U_{\beta k}^{*} U_{\alpha j}^{*} U_{\alpha k}] \sin\left(\frac{\Delta m_{jk}^{2} L}{2E}\right)$$

Space averaged flavor transition probability

Neutrinos created in volume of sufficiently large linear size $X_{\text{source}} \gg E/|\Delta m_{jk}^2|$

Oscillating terms average to zero

$$\langle P(\nu_{\alpha} \to \nu_{\beta}) \rangle = \sum_{j} |U_{\alpha j}|^2 |U_{\beta j}|^2$$

$$\simeq \begin{pmatrix} 1-2v & v & v \\ v & (1-v)/2 & (1-v)/2 \\ v & (1-v)/2 & (1-v)/2 \end{pmatrix} \simeq \begin{pmatrix} 0.6 & 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 0.2 & 0.4 & 0.4 \\ 0.2 & 0.4 & 0.4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\theta_{13} \simeq 0$$

 $\theta_{23} \simeq 45^{\circ}$

 $v = \cos^2 \theta_{12} \sin^2 \theta_{12} \simeq 0.2$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0.6 & 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 0.2 & 0.4 & 0.4 \\ 0.2 & 0.4 & 0.4 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{array}{cccc} ^{+} \rightarrow \mu^{+} & \nu_{\mu} \\ & & \downarrow & e^{+} & \nu_{e} & \overline{\nu}_{\mu} \end{array}$$

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Possibility of "Modifications" of the neutrino flux during propagation.

Investigate : Flavor Oscillations (with very long path-lengths)

[Pseudo-Dirac neutrinos mass doublets with tiny mass splitting]

$$z \simeq 1$$
 $\Delta m^2 \approx 10^{-18}$

$$\left(\frac{E}{100 \text{ TeV}}\right) \text{ eV}^2$$

Neutrino Decay

[with very long lifetimes] (9 orders of magnitude improvement)

Important difficulty: Properties of the neutrinos at the source must be sufficiently well understood.

Neutrino Telescopes

The "Km3" concept

Instrumentation of a large volume of a transparent medium (water or ice) with photon detectors (PMT's)

Remarkably difficult challenge the "implementation" of this idea in a real detector



Amundsen-Scott South Pole station





Deployment of the strings







Neutrino induced Muons

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Contained events

- total calorimetry
- complete sky coverage
- flavor determined
- some will be muon neutrinos with good angular resolution



loss in statistics is compensated by event definition








Events						
with	a	Muon				

Deposited Energy (TeV)	Time (MJD)	Declination (deg.)	RA (deg.)	Med. Ang. Resolution (deg.)	Topology
$71.4^{+9.0}_{-9.0}$	55512.5516214	-0.4	110.6	$\lesssim 1.2$	Track

High Energy Starting Events



 $E_{\rm vis} \gtrsim 30 {
m TeV}$

Track [(small) black circles] Showers [(large) blue circles]



Foreground to the astrophysical neutrino signal

Atmospheric Neutrinos

High Energy Starting Events [HESE]

First evidence for an extra-terrestrial h.e. neutrino flux



High Energy Starting Events [HESE]

First evidence for an extra-terrestrial h.e. neutrino flux



Absorption of neutrinos in the Earth



Upgoing (neutrino induced) Muons



Interpretation offered by IceCube collaboration: (of the HESE events)

There in an excess of neutrino events over the foreground of atmospheric neutrinos.

Consistent with an *isotropic (extragalactic) flux*

with equal intensity for all 3 flavors (e, mu, tau) [little sensitivity to the nu/antinu ratio.]

Simple Power Law:

$$\phi_{\nu}^{\text{astro}}(E) = \phi_0 \ E^{-2.50 \pm 0.09}$$

Compare the *Neutrino Signal* to *Gamma Ray fluxes*



$$\phi_{\nu}^{\text{astro}}(E) = \phi_0^{\text{HESE}} E^{-2.50 \pm 0.09}$$

$$\phi_{\nu}^{\text{astro}}(E) = \phi_0^{\mu\uparrow} E^{-2.13\pm0.13}$$

Spectra are different ? Possible "solutions" :

Systematic Effect ?

Break in the Spectrum

Two components in the spectrum

Anisotropy ?

[Galactic + extragalactic components]



Questions on the IceCube signal:

- Is the signal of astrophysical neutrinos real ?
 (or is the background/foreground poorly estimated) ?
- 1a. Could the signal be contaminated by a non negligible contribution of atmospheric neutrinos ?
- 2. Is the signal entirely extragalactic ? Or does it contains a non negligible Galactic component ?
- 3. If most of the signal is extragalactic, what can we say about the sources ?
- 3a. If there is a Galactic (perhaps subdominant) component what is its nature ?

Gamma Ray absorption (intergalactic space)

Astronomy E>100 TeV : Galactic Astronomy





M. Kadler *et al.*, "Coincidence of a high-fluence blazar outburst with a PeV-energy neutrino event," Nature Phys. **12**, no. 8, 807 (2016) [arXiv:1602.02012 [astro-ph.HE]].

γ -ray light curve of PKS B1424–418.



"Intriguing" Coincidence

in time

and direction [error 15 degrees]

Mediterranean Detectors



ARCA



Oujda 🏶

Rabat

COSMIC RAYS

Essentially all gamma astronomy and neutrino astronomy can be seen as observations of Cosmic Rays in different astrophysical sites

Cosmic Ray Observations at the Earth:

Space and time integrated average of particles generated by many sources in the Galaxy and in the universe, *also shaped by propagation effects*.

Single point, and (effectively) single time. [Slow time variations, geological record carries some information]

A "Local Fog" that is a terrible nuisance but also carries very important information

Measurements of Cosmic Rays as Messengers at the Earth:

$$\phi_p(E,\Omega)$$
, $\phi_{\text{He}}(E,\Omega)$, ..., $\phi_{\{A,Z\}}(E,\Omega)$

protons+ nuclei

$$\phi_{e^-}(E,\Omega)$$
 electrons

$$\phi_{e^+}(E,\Omega) \qquad \phi_{\overline{p}}(E,\Omega)$$

anti-particles

High Energy CR flux (Indirect Shower Observations)



The CR spectra are *nearly perfectly* isotropic. but the angular distribution carries information of great importance $\phi(E, \Omega) \simeq \phi(E)$

[of course also when the angular distribution is consistent with exact isotropy ["The dog that did not bark"]

The energy spectra their absolute and relative size, their *different shapes* for different particle types carry essential information that we want to understand.

Precision Measurements of AMS02 $E \lesssim 1 \text{ TeV}$

AMS02 measurements: $p e^{-} e^{-}$

 \overline{p}



E (GeV)

• Why the proton flux has its shape ?

• Why the electron flux has its shape ?

• Why the positron flux has its shape ?

• Why the \overline{p} flux has its shape ?

Formation of the Cosmic Ray Spectra

 $\phi = \frac{4\,\pi}{\beta\,c}\,\,n$

Cosmic Ray Density at the Sun position

"Release"

in Interstellar Medium



Propagation from source to Sun

[Injection]

Secondary particles: positrons, antiprotons [in the "conventional picture" : no DM, no antimatter accelerators)]

Rare Nuclei (Li, Be, B,)

"born relativistic"

"Release" = Creation in the interaction of a higher energy particle DARK

MATTER

Mysteries of the DARK UNIVERSE

DARK ENERGY

Drives apart galaxies and other large scale structures [The energy of vacuum itself?]

DARK MATTER:

Holds together galaxies and other large scale structures [A new elementary particle ?]

Exist at different scales: Entire Universe Clusters of Galaxies Galaxy



"Conventional mechanism" for the production of positrons and antiprotons:

Creation of secondaries in the inelastic hadronic interactions of cosmic rays in the interstellar medium



Relativistic Particles from other sources:

Dark Matter annihilation (or decay).

$$\chi + \overline{\chi} \rightarrow \text{secondaries}$$

 $\chi(\overline{\chi}) \rightarrow \text{secondaries}$

$$\chi + \chi \to e^+ + \overline{p} + \gamma + \nu_j + \dots$$

 $e^- + p + \gamma + \overline{\nu_j} + \dots$

Relativistic Particles from other sources:







SOURCE(s) + Propagation \rightarrow Observable Cosmic Rays

$$p + p_{\text{ISM}} \rightarrow e^{+} \dots$$

$$p + p_{\text{ISM}} \rightarrow \pi^{+} \dots$$

$$\pi^{+} \rightarrow \mu^{+} + \nu_{\mu}$$

$$\mu^{+} \rightarrow e^{+} + \nu_{e} + \overline{\nu}_{\mu}$$

$$\chi + \chi \to e^+ + \dots$$

Possible positron accelerators

An understanding of the origin of the positron and antiproton fluxes is [seems to me] of central importance for High Energy Astrophysics.

Crucial crossroad for the field.

Most commonly accepted view: The hard positron flux requires an "extra component" Sources of relativistic positrons [Pulsars, DM annihilation] exist.

The similarity of the antiproton and positron fluxes:

[Constant ratio $e^+/\overline{p} \approx 2$ at high energy (E > 30 GeV] [Kinematical suppression of antiprotons at low energy] suggests a secondary origin for both fluxes. Viable solution, but the implications are profound.

It is very important to clarify what is the correct explanation

High Energy CR flux



Structures in the Cosmic Ray Energy Spectrum

- 1. The "Pamela hardening"
- 2. The break in the $(e^- + e^+)$ spectrum observed by the Cherenkov Telescope
- 3. The "KNEE" $\log_{10}[E(eV] \simeq 15.5]$
- 4a. The "Iron Knee" of Kascade Grande4b. The "proton (+Helium) Ankle"4c. The "Second Knee"

 16.92 ± 0.08 17.08 ± 0.05 17.6 ± 0.2

- 5. The "ANKLE"
- 6. The UHECR suppression

19.4 - 19.8

18.6

The Nature of the "KNEE" in the Cosmic Ray Spectrum

Accelerator feature [Maximum energy of acceleration. *implies that all accelerators are similar*]

Structure generated by propagation [implies that the (main) Galactic CR accelerators must be capable to accelerate to much higher energy]

Galactic

versus

Extra-Galactic CR


Piece of extragalactic space:





Significant interest in Cen A [closest AGN]





Points: Auger events E > 58 EeV Red lines:[3, 20] degrees circles around Cen A

Is this the first "image" of an astrophysical object taken with protons ?!

Approximately 3 sigma effect





Average position of shower Maximum

Average of X_{max}

Dispersion of shower Maximum





Model dependence QGSJetII-04 [description of Shower development]



 $\sigma^2 \left[\ln A \right]$

AUGER, PRELIMINARY

50% p -50% Fe

100% A

20.0

QGSJetII-04 (Variance of ln A)



Small dispersion: small range of A contributing to the CR population

18.5

 $\log_{10}(\mathbf{E}/\mathbf{eV})$

19.0

19.5

17.5

18.0

Possible Interpretation (Auger at ICRC-2015)



- 1. Very hard spectra
- 2. Cutoff is the maximum energy of acceleration in the sources

 $E_{\max}(Z) = Z \ E_p$

 $M_{\rm GUT} \sim 10^{15} \div 10^{16} {\rm GeV}$

$$M_{\rm GUT} \sim 10^{24} \div 10^{25} \text{ eV}$$

$$M_{\rm Planck} = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar c^5}{G}} \simeq 10^{28} \,\,\mathrm{eV}$$



Super Massive Particles associated to these mass scales "WIMPZILLAS"

EUSO concept: Detection of UHCR from space



Cosmic Ray Physics [Astroparticle Physics]

and

HADRONIC INTERACTIONS



the Source

 $E_{\rm lab} \simeq 10^{20} \, {\rm eV}$

 $\sqrt{s} \simeq 430 \text{ TeV}$



[The estimate of the Energy and Mass of the shower requires the detailed modeling of shower development]

the Data

Hadronic Interactions

Composite (complex) Objects Multiple interaction structure



Great importance of the LHC data

Total, elastic, inelastic cross sections "Minimum bias" events Diffractive events

[Need all phase space, including the very forward]

Also potentially important measurements at much lower energy (Fixed Target)

Production of positrons:

$$\begin{array}{c} p+p \rightarrow \pi^{+} \dots \\ & & \downarrow \\ \rightarrow \mu^{+} + \nu_{\mu} \\ & & \downarrow \\ e^{+} + \nu_{e} + \overline{\nu}_{\mu} \end{array}$$

Production of photons :

$$p + p \to \pi^{\circ} + \dots \\ \longrightarrow \gamma \gamma$$

Possible and very desirable a program of measurements of hadronic cross sections at fixed target energies

Motivations

- [1. "Astroparticle Physics" Astroparticle Physics
- [2.] Better understanding of QCD

"Bridging the gap between Hard and Soft regime in hadronic interactions.

Gravitational Waves

..... GW 170817 !!!!

Gravitational Waves

and

High Energy Particles

"Einstein Richest Laboratory"

L. Baiotti and L. Rezzolla, "Binary neutron-star mergers: a review of Einstein's richest laboratory," Reports on Progress of Physics arXiv:1607.03540 [gr-qc].

The *merger of binary neutron-stars* systems combines in a single process:

extreme gravity, copious emission of gravitational waves, complex microphysics, and electromagnetic processes that can lead to astrophysical signatures observable at the largest redshifts.

- * black-hole formation,
- * torus accretion onto the merged compact object,
- * connection with gamma-ray burst engines,
- * ejected material, and its nucleosynthesis.

[... This phenomenon] could be considered Einstein's richest laboratory.

Numerical Simulation [35 msec] of merging of 2 neutron stars



L. Rezzolla et al. ApJ (2011)

7.5 msec





msec



13.8

msec

26.5

msec

Figure 1. Snapshots at representative times of the evolution of the binary and of the formation of a large-scale ordered magnetic field. Shown with a color-code map is the density, over which the magnetic-field lines are superposed. The panels in the upper row refer to the binary during the merger (t = 7.4 ms) and before the collapse to BH (t = 13.8 ms), while those in the lower row to the evolution after the formation of the BH (t = 15.26 ms, t = 26.5 ms). Green lines sample the magnetic field in the torus and on the equatorial plane, while white lines show the magnetic field outside the torus and near the BH spin axis. The inner/outer part of the torus has a size of $\sim 90/170$ km, while the horizon has a diameter of $\simeq 9$ km.



Figure 3. Magnetic-field structure in the HMNS (first panel) and after the collapse to BH (last three panels). Green refers to magnetic-field lines inside the torus and on the equatorial plane, while white refers to magnetic-field lines outside the torus and near the axis. The highly turbulent, predominantly poloidal magnetic-field structure in the HMNS (t = 13.8 ms) changes systematically as the BH is produced (t = 15.26 ms), leading to the formation of a predominantly toroidal magnetic field in the torus (t = 21.2 ms). All panels have the same linear scale, with the horizon diameter being of $\simeq 9$ km.

26.5 msec

13.8

msec

7.5 msec



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INTEGRAL SPI-ADC





Figure 8. Spectral fits of the count rate spectrum for the (left) main pulse (Comptonized) and (right) softer emission (blackbody). The blue bins are the forward-folded model fit to the count rate spectrum, the data points are colored based on the detector, and 2σ upper limits estimated from the model variance are shown as downward-pointing arrows. The residuals are shown in the lower subpanels.

NGC 4993







Figure 1 | **Optical/infrared and X-ray images of the counterpart of GW170817. a**, Hubble Space Telescope observations show a bright and red transient in the early-type galaxy NGC 4993, at a projected physical offset of about 2 kpc from its nucleus. A similar small offset is observed in less than a quarter of short GRBs⁵. Dust lanes are visible in the inner regions, suggestive of a past merger activity (see Methods). **b**, Chandra observations revealed a faint X-ray source at the position of the optical/ infrared transient. X-ray emission from the galaxy nucleus is also visible.


























Estimate of the angular size of the Short GRB Jet



The M87 Jet



M87 JET

Heber Curtis (1918) [Lick Observatory]

"Descriptions of 762 Nebulae and Clusters"

"...curious straight ray ... apparently connected with the nucleus by a thin line of matter."

Superluminal Motions

Superluminal Motion in the M87 Jet





Source moving on the celestial sphere

 $c \beta_{\rm app} = L \dot{\omega}$

$$\beta_{\perp,\mathrm{app}} = \frac{\beta \sin \theta}{(1 - \beta \cos \theta)}$$
$$\Gamma \ge \sqrt{\beta_{\mathrm{app}}^2 + 1}$$

 $\theta \approx \Gamma^{-1}$

 $\beta_{\rm app} \simeq 6$



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Radio Imaging of the Very-High-Energy γ-Ray Emission Region in the Central Engine of a Radio Galaxy

The VERITAS Collaboration, the VLBA 43 GHz M87 Monitoring Team, the H.E.S.S. Collaboration, the MAGIC Collaboration





Figure 2. VHE light curve of M 87 of the flaring episodes in 2005 (top), 2008 (middle), and 2010 (bottom). Integral fluxes are given above an energy of 350 GeV. The lengths of the gray bars correspond to the length of the gray shaded areas in Figure 1. A time of 0 days corresponds to MJD 53460, MJD 54500, and MJD 55270 for 2005, 2008, and 2010, respectively. Flux error bars denote the 1 s.d. statistical error. Horizontal error bars denote the time span the flux has been averaged over. Note that in the case of time spans longer than one night the coverage is not continuous.

GRS1915+105



Superluminal Motions in microQuasars in our Galaxy

Observations in radio

 $\lambda = 3.5 \text{ cm}$

"Two pairs of bright radio condensations"





Angular velocities $\mu_a \simeq 17.6 \pm 0.4 \ \frac{\text{mas}}{\text{day}}$

 $\mu_r \simeq 9.0 \pm 0.1 \ \frac{\mathrm{mas}}{\mathrm{day}}$

$$\mu_{a,r} = \frac{\beta \sin \theta}{1 \pm \beta \cos \theta} \frac{c}{D}$$
$$D = 12.5 \pm 1.5 \text{ kpc}$$

$$\beta = 0.92 \pm 0.08$$

 $\theta = (70 \pm 2)^{\circ}$

Generation of Relativistic Jets in several astrophysical sources associated to Back Holes

Active Galactic Nuclei Microquasars

Understanding of the mechanisms that generate the relativistic outflow

Compelling Motivations for "Physics Beyond the Standard Model"

Evidence for Dark Matter (not a field of the Standard Model) [Explicit "classic" experimental discrepancy]

Quantization of Gravity

Dark Energy

Inflaton field

Matter/anti-Matter asymmetry

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We have "Deep Problems" we want to address but need new observations, new laboratories to explore the open questions on the "Boundaries of Science".

The laboratories to "explore the boundaries" could be $future \ accelerators$.

but also [in many cases only] in

Astrophysical objects/environments

and in Cosmology studies

The study of the "High Energy Universe" with the four "Messengers" is a very dynamical field rich in new discoveries and surprises with an *extraordinary potential*.

It provides "laboratories" to test our fundamental laws.

It allows tests of what happens close to the horizons of Black Holes

It is vital to continue the development of these studies with more energies and resources