





Latest Results from the ANTARES Neutrino Telescope and Prospects for KM3NeT

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Neutrino Astronomy



Neutrinos:

- electrically neutral -> trajectory not affected by magnetic fields, point back to the source
- stable -> travel long distances
- weakly interacting -> penetrate regions which are opaque to photons



Provide a strong indication of hadronic acceleration in astrophysical sources

$$p + \gamma \to \Delta^+ \to \pi^+ + n$$

$$\pi^+ \to \mu^+ + \nu_\mu \to e^+ + \nu_e + \bar{\nu}_\mu + \nu_\mu$$

 $v_e: v_\mu: v_\tau = 1: 2: 0$ at the source

 $v_e: v_\mu: v_\tau = 1: 1: 1$ at Earth



Neutrino telescopes: Detection principle

- Earth used as shield against up-going atmospheric muons
- Detector deployed in deep water/ice to reduce down-going atmospheric muons
- Low v cross section requires large detector volumes





detector volume

Cherenkov angle in water $\theta_c = 42^\circ$ V θ_c V θ_c

- Cherenkov radiation detected by arrays of PMTs
- Position, time and charge used to reconstruct direction and energy

Global Neutrino Network (GNN)

- ANTARES and KM3NeT
 Mediterranean Sea
- IceCube
 Antarctic Ice
- Baikal
 Lake Baikal

Visibility IceCube (South Pole) ■ 100% □ 0%



Visibility ANTARES (Mediterranean) ☐ 75% ☐ 5% - 75% ☐ 25% ~ 3.5π sr sky coverage

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The European neutrino telescopes: ANTARES

- First detection line installed in early 2006
- Completed in 2008
- o 2475 m depth in the Mediterranean Sea
- 40 km offshore from Toulon





- Three-dimensional array of 885 PMTs
- 12 vertical lines, 25 storeys
- 3 PMTs per storey
- PMT facing 45° downwards

The European neutrino telescopes: KM3NeT



KM3NeT/ORCA

- Under construction
- 2450 m depth in the Mediterranean Sea
- 40 km offshore from Toulon
- I dense building block
- GeV energies
- Oscillations, mass hierarchy

3 building blocks
115 strings per building block
18 optical modules per string
31 PMTs per OM

km ARCA



KM3NeT/ARCA

- Under construction
- 5 3500 m depth in the Mediterranean Sea
- I 00 km offshore from Porto Palo di Capo Passero, Sicily
- 2 sparse building blocks
- I-I0 TeV energy threshold
- High-energy neutrino astronomy



KM3NeT: First detection lines



Event display: down-going muon



Coincidence rate (clusters of two or more hits on the same DOM within a time window of 25 ns) as a function of the number of hit PMTs

Event topologies: TRACKS



Track-like events: v_{μ} (v_{τ}) neutrino CC interaction near the detector \rightarrow track

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Angular resolution < 0.4° for $E_v > 10 \text{ TeV}$



Angular resolution < 0.1° for $E_v > 100 \text{ TeV}$



Event topologies: SHOWERS



Shower-like events: all neutrinos NC v_e, v_τ CC interaction inside or very close to the detector \rightarrow shower

Energy resolution ~ 5%



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Angular resolution < 3°



Angular resolution < 2°



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ANTARES – Point Sources

Sample:

- 2007 2015
- 2424 days of lifetime
- First all-flavour analysis
- o 7622 tracks, 180 showers

 $\Box \ \frac{dN_{\nu}}{dE_{\nu}} = \Phi_0 E_{\nu}^{-2} \text{ neutrino flux assumed}$

Maximum likelihood method used to search for clusters of neutrinos from point sources

• Full-sky search

- I°xI° squares over ANTARES visible sky
- Candidate list searches
 - 106 known astrophysical objects (Pulsars, SNRs, ...)
 - 13 IceCube HESE tracks



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ANTARES – Point Sources

Most significant cluster of the full-sky search $\alpha = 343.8^{\circ} \delta = 23.5^{\circ}$ I.9 σ significance



Sensitivities and upper limits at a 90% C.L. on the signal flux from the Full-sky and the Candidate list searches (Neyman method)



Sky map in equatorial coordinates of pre-trial p-values

Most sensitive limits for a large fraction of the southern sky, especially at neutrino energies below 100 TeV

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KM3NeT/ARCA – Point Sources Galactic Sources



- Adopted neutrino fluxes derived from the measured *γ*-ray spectrum
- Assumptions:
 - Hadronic scenario for the y-ray production
 - Transparent sources

3σ median significance in less than 3 years for Vela-X 5 years for RX J173

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KM3NeT/ARCA – Point Sources E⁻² source



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KM3NeT/ARCA – Point Sources E⁻² source



By combining tracks and showers, expected improvement between 15% and 30% depending on the declination!

ANTARES – Diffuse flux

Sample:

- \odot 2007 2015
- \circ 2450 days of lifetime
- All-flavour analysis
- □ Event selection chain + energy-related cut applied to
 - obtain a high-purity neutrino sample
 - maximise sensitivity
- $\Box \quad \frac{dN_{\nu}}{dE_{\nu}} = \Phi_0 E_{\nu}^{-\Gamma} \text{ isotropic neutrino flux assumed}$
 - $\Gamma = 2$, $\Phi_0^{1f}(100 \text{ TeV}) = 1.0 \cdot 10^{-18} (\text{GeV cm}^2 \text{s sr})^{-1}$
 - $\Gamma = 2.5, \ \Phi_0^{1f}(100 \text{ TeV}) = 1.5 \cdot 10^{-18} (\text{GeV cm}^2 \text{s sr})^{-1}$
- Results:

33 events (19 tracks + 14 showers) in data
24 ± 7 (stat.+syst.) events in background MC

 $\circ~$ 1.6 σ excess, null cosmic rejected at 85% CL





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ANTARES – Diffuse flux

Sensitivity and Unblinded Results from Counting Statistics			
	$\Gamma = 2.0$	$\Gamma = 2.5$	
$\Phi_0^{1f,90\% \text{Sens.}}$ (100 TeV)	1.2×10^{-18}	2.0×10^{-18}	
$\Phi_0^{1f,68\%\text{C.I.}}(100 \text{ TeV})$ $\Phi_0^{1f,68\%\text{C.I.}}(100 \text{ TeV})$	$(0.29-2.9) \times 10^{-18}$	$(0.5-5.0) \times 10^{-18}$	

- Confidence intervals and Upper limits calculated according to the method of Conrad et al. (Phys. Rev. D 67, 012002)
- > Valid in the energy ranges (90% of signal tracks + showers expected):
 - 40 TeV 7 PeV (Γ = 2.0)
 - 30 TeV 1.5 PeV (Γ = 2.5)

Fitting the data:

- \circ maximum likelihood fitting method applied to provide an estimation of the parameters describing the observed excess (Φ₀, Γ)
- Best-fit cosmic flux:

$$\Gamma = 2.4^{+0.5}_{-0.4}$$

$$\Phi_0^{1f} (100 \text{ TeV}) = (1.7 \pm 1.0) \cdot 10^{-18} \left(\text{GeV cm}^2 \text{s sr}\right)^{-1}$$

Compatible with IceCube signals



2D log-likelihood scan of the diffuse cosmic flux normalization and spectral index

KM3NeT/ARCA – Diffuse flux

IceCube flux used as benchmark flux: power law spectrum with a cut-off at a few PeV

Cascade selection cuts:

- Containment
- Energy
- BDT training

Track selection cuts:

- Direction (Up-going)
- Energy
- Quality parameters

Maximum likelihood method for discovery potential calculation



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Improved results for tracks from better background discrimination via MVA techniques:

Tracks almost at the level of showers

By combining both samples, the IceCube flux can be seen with 5σ median significance in 6 months!

ANTARES – Dark Matter

- WIMPs tend to accumulate in massive celestial objects (Sun, Galactic Centre, ...)
- Neutrinos could be produced in WIMP-WIMP annihilation
- Clean signal and low expected background

Ingredients:

- Signal energy spectra for each considered WIMP mass and annihilation channel: $WIMP + WIMP \rightarrow b\bar{b}, W^+W^-, \tau^+\tau^-, \mu^+\mu^-, \nu_{\mu}\bar{\nu}_{\mu}$
- Spatial distribution of dark matter in the source:
 - Point-like (Sun)
 - Three halo models used: NFW, Burkert, McMillan (GC)
- No significant excess above background observed
- Upper limits on
 - spin-(in)dependent WIMP-nucleon scattering cross-section (Sun)
 - thermally averaged annihilation cross-section (GC)

as a function of the WIMP mass

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ORCA – Dark Matter



ANTARES & KM3NeT – Multi-messenger Two approaches:

Real-time analysis

Alert triggering



Offline analyses Time correlation and

Multi-messenger searches

ANTARES – Multi-messenger Real-time analysis

X-ray

Triggers:

Radio

MWA

Doublet of neutrinos (~0.04 events/yr)

Optical

- Single neutrino with direction close to local galaxies (~I TeV,~I0 events/yr)
- Single HE neutrinos:
 - ✤ HE (~5 TeV, 20 events/ yr)
 - ♦ VHE (~30 TeV, ~3-4 events/ yr)

Performances:

GeV y-rays

- Time to send an alert: ~5 s
- First image of the follow-up: < 20 s
- Median angular resolution:
 - \diamond ~ 0.4° (ANTARES)
 - Same as in the offline reconstruction expected for KM3NeT!

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TeV y-rays

Statistics of the sent neutrino alerts (07/2009-02/2018)

272 to robotic telescopes
14 to Swift
4 to INTEGRAL
22 to MWA
2 to HESS

ANTARES – Multi-messenger Offline analyses

Object	Messenger	Telescope
Flaring Blazars	Gamma	FERMI/LAT
Flaring X-ray binaries	X & gamma-ray	Swift, MAXI, RXTE/ASM, Fermi/LAT
Flares from Mrk 421 and Mrk 501	Gamma	HAWC
Gamma Ray Bursts	Gamma	Swift, Fermi, GCN
IceCube Events	Neutrino	IceCube
UHECR	CR	Auger, TA
Galactic Plane	CR & gamma-ray	Fermi, Milagro
Fast Radio Bursts	Radio	SUPERB@Parkes
Fermi Bubbles	Gamma	Fermi
Galactic Plane	CR	HAWC
BH/NS mergers	Gravitational waves	Ligo/Virgo (+ IceCube and Pierre Auger Observatory)

Paper in preparation ANTARES – Time correlation with IceCube events

34 from the IceCube up-going tracks sample 20 from the IceCube HESE sample



Search for correlations in time and space between ANTARES data and 54 IceCube neutrino events

$$\Box \frac{dN_{\nu}}{dE_{\nu}} = \Phi_0 E_{\nu}^{-2.5} \text{ neutrino flux assumed}$$

- Maximum likelihood method used to search for time and spatial clustering
- Gaussian signal time PDF assumed with σ (emission duration) fitted in the likelihood maximization within 0.1 and 120 days

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ANTARES – Galactic plane

Sample:

- **2007 2015**
- o 2424 days of lifetime
- All-flavour analysis
- 7300 tracks, 208 showers

Search strategy:

- $\circ~$ Signal map according to KRA_{Y} modelling
- Two ref models: 5 PeV and 50 PeV cutoffs
- Likelihood ratio test method



- No excess of events
- 90% flux limits for ref models:

< 1.1 $\phi(5 \text{ PeV})$ < 1.2 $\phi(50 \text{ PeV})$

- < I.2 φ(50 PeV)
- Strong constraint on a possible diffuse neutrino emission from the Galactic plane
- Hypothesis of neutrino flux produced by the Galactic CR interaction with gas explaining the IceCube spectral anomaly discarded



ANTARES – Gravitational Waves

Phys.Rev.D93 (2016) no.12,122010 Phys.Rev.D96 (2017) no.2,022005 Eur.Phys.J.C77 (2017) no.12,911 Astrophys.J.850 (2017) no.2,L35 Astrophys.J.848 (2017) no.2,L12

- High-energy neutrino follow-up on several GW events/candidates:
 - GW150914 (BBH merger)
 - GW151226 (BBH merger)
 - LVT151012 (candidate)
 - GW170104 (BBH merger)
 - GW170817 (BNS merger)
- Joint searches with other neutrino telescopes (IceCube, Pierre Auger Observatory) members of the multi-messenger Virgo/LIGO follow-up effort
- Neutrinos would reveal the hadronic content and dissipation mechanism in relativistic outflows
- Could significantly constrain the location of the source
- Both prompt on-line search for a neutrino counterpart and analysis of offline-reconstructed data set performed
- Search for neutrinos in a ±500 s window around the GW transient



No neutrino candidates temporally & directionally coincident with the GW signals at the 90% credible level

Non-detection used to constrain the neutrino spectral fluence

Conclusions

- \circ 10 years of continuous data taking
- Solid results from various searches of neutrino emission (point-like, diffuse, dark matter, ...)
- Active multi-messenger program
- Combined analyses with IceCube (point sources, galactic plane, dark matter)

GKM3NeT

- \circ Under construction
- $\circ\,$ ARCA: median 3 σ significance for galactic sources (hadronic scenario) within 3-5 years of operation
- ARCA: Observation of HE neutrino flux discovered by IceCube expected in less than
 I year of operation

Neutrino Mass Hierarchy and Oscillations

$$\begin{pmatrix} v_e \\ v_\mu \\ v_\tau \end{pmatrix} = U \begin{pmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \\ v_3 \end{pmatrix} \qquad U = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13}e^{-i\delta} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13}e^{i\delta} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \begin{array}{c} c_{ij} = cos\theta_{ij} \\ s_{ij} = sin\theta_{ij} \\ \delta = \text{CP violating phase} \end{array}$$



Remaining major unknowns: Mass hierarchy Octant of θ_{23} CP phase



 $= cos \theta_{ii}$

 $= sin\theta_{ii}$

- Constrain theory models
- Help measuring the CP phase
- Absolute mass scale
- Nature (Dirac vs Majorana)
- Origin of neutrino mass and flavor
- **Core-Collapse Supernovae Physics**
- Precise determination of the PMNS matrix parameters

Oscillation pattern distorted by Earth matter effects: IH/NH difference





To resolve Mass Hierarchy, Good energy and angular resolution in 5-10 GeV range are needed

Approach: Measure E_v and θ_v of few-GeV atmospheric neutrinos traversing the Earth, identify and count v_u and v_e events

ANTARES – Oscillations

Sensitivity estimate

- 3-flavour description of the oscillation probability
- matter effects in the Earth included



Still room for improvement: Treatment of different sources of systematic effects and refinement of the quality cuts for selecting events before *unblinding*

Red-dashed curve: allowed parameter region at 90% C.L.

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KM3NeT/ORCA – NMH and Oscillations



- ~3σ NMH median significance in 3-4 years of a complete KM3NeT/ORCA in most cases
- \circ If NH and θ₂₃ in the second octant, significant improvement of sensitivity (>5σ!)
- \circ Best case scenario: 5 σ in 1.5 years of complete ORCA!
- MH sensitivity comes from both track-like and shower-like events

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KM3NeT/ORCA – NMH and Oscillations



Iσ contour sensitivity to the atmospheric parameters after 3 years of data taking ORCA: red ellipses (solid/dashed = with/wo additional E scale)

ORCA sensitivities are expected to improve with the on-going studies of the trigger scheme and the reconstruction algorithms

In addition to the standard 3-flavour oscillation studies, ORCA can also constrain sterile neutrinos and the NSI parameters

KM3NeT/ORCA – NMH and Oscillations





 $\mathcal{A}' = \frac{N_{IH} - N_{NH}}{N_{NH}}$

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