Modelling the electromagnetic and neutrino flux for the IceCube candidate source TXS 0506+056





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After the initial automated alert (https://gcn.gsfc.nasa.gov/notices_amon/50579430_130033.amon), more sophisticated reconstruction algorithms have been applied offline, with the direction refined to:

Date: 22 Sep, 2017 Time: 20:54:30.43 UTC RA: 77.43 deg (-0.80 deg/+1.30 deg 90% PSF containment) J2000 Dec: 5.72 deg (-0.40 deg/+0.70 deg 90% PSF containment) J2000

We encourage follow-up by ground and space-based instruments to help identify a possible astrophysical source for the candidate neutrino.

The IceCube Neutrino Observatory is a cubic-kilometer neutrino detector operating at the geographic South Pole, Antarctica. The IceCube realtime alert point of contact can be reached at roclicecube.wisc.edu

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The H.E.S.S. array of imaging atmospheric Cherenkov telescopes was used to carry out follow-up observations of a high-energy neutrino detected by IceCube on 22 September 2017 at 20:54:30.43 UTC. H.E.S.S. observed the region around the IceCube best fit position (RA=77.43 deg, Dec=5.72 deg; GCN circular #21916) in two consecutive nights for about 1h each. First observations started 23 September 2017 at 01:05 UTC (about 4h after the neutrino detection). A second set of observations were obtained the following night (24 September 2017 at 03:10 UTC). A preliminary on-site calibration and analysis searching for a point-like gamma-ray source from within the 90% uncertainty region of the neutrino event IceCube-170922A revealed no significant detection. H.E.S.S. is an array of five imaging atmospheric Cherenkov telescopes for the detection of very-high-energy gamma-ray sources and is located in the Khomas Highlands in Namibia. It was constructed and is operated by researchers from Armenia, Australia, Austria, the Czech Republic, France, Germany, Ireland, Netherlands, Japan, Poland, South Africa, Sweden, UK, and the host country, Namibia.

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We searched for Fermi-LAT sources inside the extremely high-energy (EHE) IceCube-170922A neutrino event error region (https://gcn.gsfc.nasa.gov/gcn3/21916.gcn3, see also ATels 10773, 10787) with all-sky survey data from the Large Area Telescope (LAT), on board the Fermi Gamma-ray Space Telescope. We found that one Fermi-LAT source, TXS 0506+056 (3FGL J0509.4+0541 and also included in the 3FHL catalog, Ajello et al., arXiv:1702.00664, as 3FHL J0509.4+0542), is located inside the IceCube error region. The FAVA (Fermi All-sky Variability Analysis) light curve at energies above 800 MeV shows a flaring state recently (https://fermi.gsfc.nasa.gov/ssc/data/access/lat/FAVA/SourceReport.php?week=477&flare=27). Indeed, the LAT 0.1--300 GeV flux during 2018 September 15 to 27 was (3.6+/-0.5)E-7 photons

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First-time detection of VHE gamma rays by MAGIC from a direction consistent with the recent EHE neutrino event IceCube-170922A

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Subjects: Optical, Gamma Ray, >GeV, TeV, VHE, UHE, Neutrinos, AGN, Blazar

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After the IceCube neutrino event EHE 170922A detected on 22/09/2017 (GCN circular #21916), Fermi-LAT measured enhanced gamma-ray emission from the blazar TXS 0506+056 (05 09 25.96370, +05 41 35.3279 (J2000), [Lani et al., Astron. J., 139, 1695-1712 (2010)]), located 6 arcmin from the EHE 170922A estimated direction (ATel #10791). MAGIC observed this source under good weather conditions and a 5 sigma detection above 100 GeV was achieved after 12 h of observations from September 28th till October 3rd. This is the first time that VHE gamma rays. (Interpretation of the time that VHE gamma rays), data/access/lat/FAVA/SourceReport.php?week=477&flare=27).

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VERITAS follow-up observations of Ice event 170922A

ATel #10833; Reshmi Mukherje on 9 Oct 2017; 22:32 UT

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HAWC gamma ray data prior to Ice

ATel #10802; Israel Martinez, Ignacio Taboada, Michelle the HAWC collaboration on 30 Sep 2017; 02:10 UT Credential Certification: Ignacio Taboada (itaboa AGILE confirmation of gamma-ray activity from the IceCube-170922A error region

ATel #10801; F. Lucarelli (SSDC/ASI and INAF/OAR), G. Piano (INAF/IAPS), C. Pittori, F. Verrecchia (SSDC/ASI and INAF/OAR), M. Tavani (INAF/IAPS, and Univ. Roma Tor Vergata), A. Bulgarelli (INAF/IASF-Bo), P. Munar-Adrover, G. Minervini,

Joint Swift XRT and NuSTAR Observations of TXS 0506+056

ATel #10845; D. B. Fox (PSU), J. J. DeLaunay (PSU), A. Keivani (PSU), P. A. Evans (U. Leicester), C. F. Turley (PSU), J. A. Kennea (PSU), D. F. Cowen (PSU), J. P. Osborne (U. Leicester), M. Santander (UA) & F. E. Marshall (GSFC) on 12 Oct 2017; 16:54 UT Credential Certification: Derek B. Fox (dfox@astro.psu.edu)

Subjects: X-ray, Gamma Ray, >GeV, TeV, Neutrinos, AGN, Blazar, Quasar

Referred to by ATel #: 10861

- IceCube alert for track-like VHE event (EHE sample) most likely astrophysical muon neutrino, E > 100 TeV - on 22 sept. 2017
- arrival direction < 0.1 deg from the position of the BL Lac object TXS 0506+056 (constrained in about 1 deg²)
- TXS 0506+056 was in a high state (flux up to 6 times that of low state seen with Fermi-LAT) from April - October 2017; detected also with AGILE
- First detection of VHE emission with MAGIC from 28 sept. to 4 oct. ; detected also with VERITAS
- recent redshift measurement z = 0.3365 +- 0.0010
 (Paiano et al. 2018 -> poster !)
- no determination of the black hole mass



Available data



LEHA - a lepto-hadronic one-zone emission model

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the "LEHA" code



stationary one-zone LEpto-HAdronic model for BL Lac objects

- models all emission processes due to
 e- and p+ interactions in the source
- we usually impose physical constraints:
- -- power-law spectra with same index for p+ and e- (co-acceleration)
- -- spectral breaks from synchrotron cooling.
- -- max. p+ energy from comparison of acceleration and cooling time scales

-> 7 free parameters

- -- verify variability time scale constraint: R / δ \leq c Δt_{obs} / (I+z)
- -- verify jet power requirements
 - $L_{j} \approx 2 \pi R^{2} \beta c \Gamma^{2} (u_{B} + u_{e} + u_{p}) + 2 L_{r}$

proton-photon interactions

Monte Carlo treatment of proton-photon interactions with the Sophia code (Mücke et al. 2000)

- treatment of all photopion production channels with resulting particle spectra (including v spectra...)
- explicit treatment of unstable particles (muons, pions, Kaons...)

Bethe-Heitler pair production (analytical) : *Kelner & Aharonian (2009)* + cross-section *Blumenthal (1970).*

Leptons and gammas from proton-photon interactions have very high energies

-> generate **synchrotron-pair cascades** through interactions with photon field



Mücke et al. 2000

Some applications of LEHA

Systematic exploration of hadronic solutions for PKS 2155-304 and Mrk 421 during low states & predictions for the CTA AZ, Cerruti, Mazin, A&A 602 (2017) 25



Exploration of neutrino spectra for Centaurus A, PG 1553+113, PKS 2155-304 Cerruti, AZ, Emery, Guarin, Proc. of Gamma 2016 (astro-ph 1610.00255)



Cerruti, AZ, Boisson, Inoue, MNRAS 448 (2015) 910 Lepto-hadronic models for the high-redshift BL Lac object PKS 1424+240 Cerruti, Benbow, Chen, et al. A&A 606 (2017) 68

25 log (v [Hz]) 26

Proton-synchrotron and mixed lepto-

hadronic solutions for extreme blazars

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hadronic model



leptonic model

23 24 log (v [Hz])

Proton-synchrotron solutions for TXS 0506+056

a hadronic (proton-synchrotron) interpretation for TXS 0506+056



 δ = 30, R = 4.2e16 cm , B = 3 G , $\gamma_{\text{p,max}}$ = 1.7e9 , Ljet = 2.9e47 erg/s

Number of IceCube μ -neutrinos expected for 6 month high state : ~0.03 Poisson probability for detection of 1 muon-neutrino : ~3%

systematic exploration of proton-synchrotron solutions



proton-synchrotron solutions : expected neutrino rate

minimum and maximum expected rates for IceCube :

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0.003 – 0.053 µ-neutrinos / year
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Poisson probabilities for finding | µ-neutrino / 6 months given the flux estimations from the model:

0.1% - 2.6%

-> Proton-synchrotron solutions are not favorable for a direct link with the IceCube event.

Mixed lepto-hadronic solutions for TXS 0506+056

starting with a pure SSC interpretation



Start from this solution, increase $\gamma_{min,e}$ (here =100), and add a hadronic component that is limited by the NuStar spectrum -> maximum hadronic contribution

a lepto-hadronic interpretation for TXS 0506+056



 $\delta = 20$, R = 2.7e16 cm, B = 0.2 G, $\gamma_{e,min} = 500$, $\gamma_{P,max} = 3.4e8$, Ljet = 6.0e47 erg/s

Number of IceCube µ-neutrinos expected for 6 month high state : ~0.18 Poisson probability for detection of 1 muon-neutrino : ~15%

systematic exploration of mixed lepto-hadronic solutions



mixed lepto-hadronic solutions : expected neutrino rate

minimum and maximum expected rates for IceCube :

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0.19 - 1.23 µ-neutrinos / year
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Poisson probabilities for finding | µ-neutrino / 6 months given the flux estimations from the model:

9% - 33%

• Keep in mind that the lepto-hadronic scenario, the hadronic contribution and neutrino flux can be arbitrarily low, depending on $\gamma_{e,min}$

Conclusions

- The SED of TXS 0506+056 is rather well constrained (especially in X-rays).
- Proton-synchrotron scenario : good solutions for broad-band SED, but difficult to account for IceCube event.
- Mixed lepto-hadronic scenario : good solutions for broad-band SED; accounts well for Ice Cube event.
- Waiting for more details on Ice Cube events and on VHE data...



Thank You !

treatment of cascades

LEHA simulates **synchrotron-pair cascades** triggered by:

- γ - γ absorption of proton-synchrotron photons, muon synch. photons, photons from π 0
- e+ e- pairs from Bethe-Heitler, leptons from π +, π -



Fermi light curve



hadronic parameter space for HBLs



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hadronic parameter space for HBLs



hadronic model - time-scales



Fig. 6. SEDs for PKS 2155-304 with two hadronic models where proton synchrotron emission (*left figure*) or muon-synchrotron emission (*right figure*) dominates the TeV spectrum. These solutions correspond to a spectral index of $n_1 = 2.1$ and 1.9, a magnetic field with log B[G] = 0.3 and 0.7, and an emission region of size log $R[cm] = 9 \times 10^{16}$ and 1.5×10^{16} , respectively. See Fig. 2 for a description of the different curves. The dataset is described in the text.



high-energy neutrinos from PKS 2155-304 ?



Hadronic models produce very-high-energy neutrino flux, peak around 10¹⁷ - 10¹⁹ eV.

-> Out of reach for IceCube / KM3Net ? Need to evaluate detectability with GRAND, etc. ...