Cosmic Ray Anisotropy

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Galactic Cosmic Rays

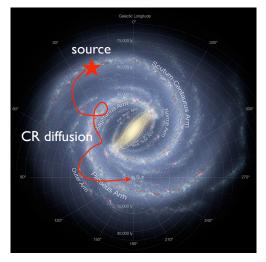
- Standard paradigm: Galactic CRs accelerated in supernova remnants
- $\label{eq:sufficient power: $$\sim 10^{-3} \times M_{\odot}$$ with a rate of ~ 3 SNe per century$$ [Baade & Zwicky'34]$$
 - galactic CRs via diffusive shock acceleration?

 $n_{\rm CR} \propto E^{-\gamma}$ (at source)

 energy-dependent diffusion through Galaxy

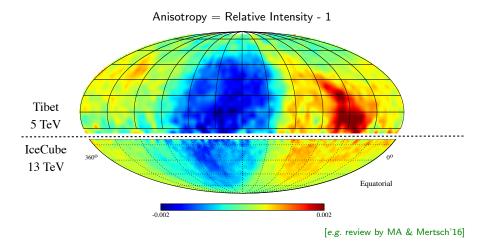
 $n_{\rm CR} \propto E^{-\gamma - \delta}$ (observed)

• arrival direction mostly isotropic



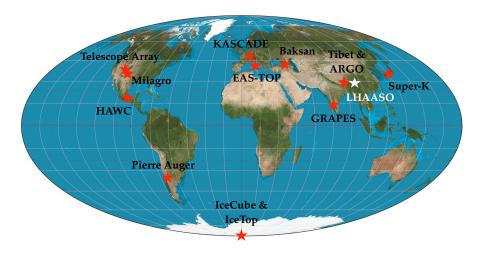
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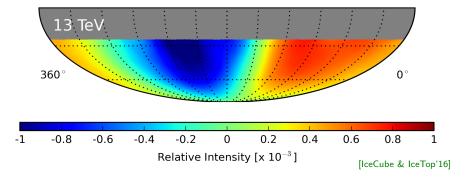
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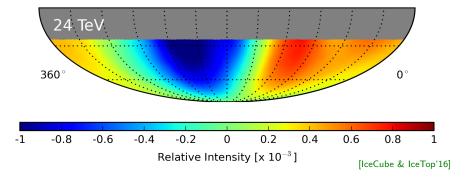


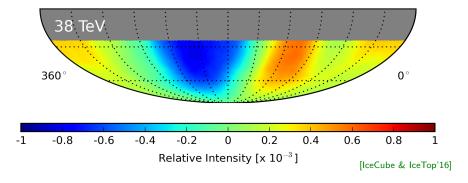
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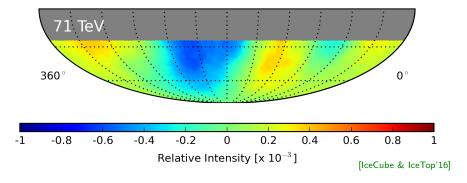
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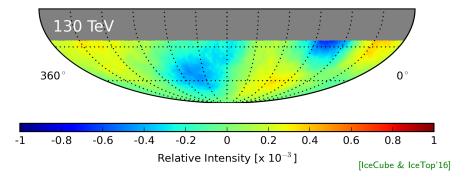


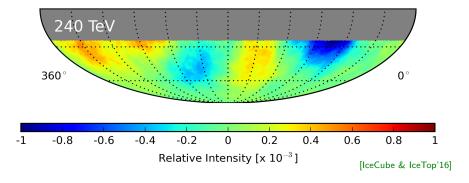


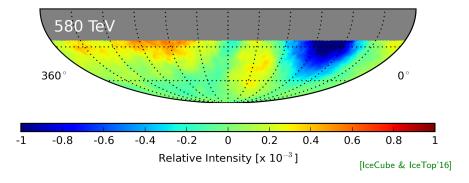


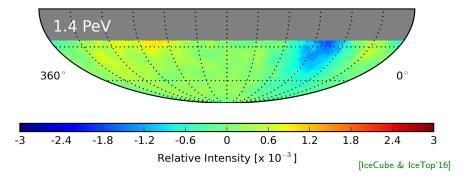


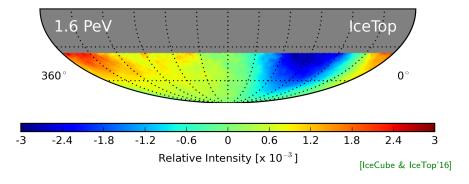


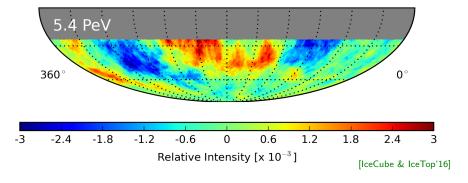






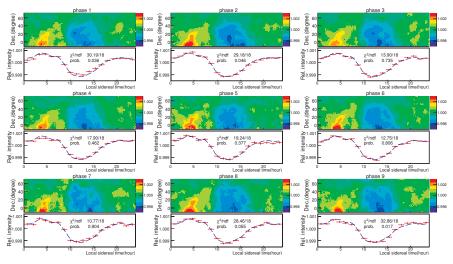






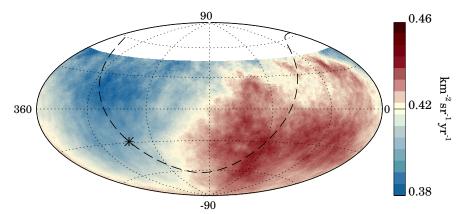
Time-Dependence

No significant variation of TeV-PeV anisotropy over time scales of $\mathcal{O}(10)$ years.



[Tibet-AS γ '10]

Recent Highlight: Auger Dipole Anisotropy



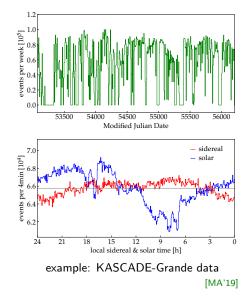
Energy [EeV]	Dipole component d_z	Dipole component d_{\perp}	Dipole amplitude d	Dipole declination δ_d [°]	Dipole right ascension α_d [°]
4 to 8	-0.024 ± 0.009	$0.006\substack{+0.007\\-0.003}$	$0.025\substack{+0.010\\-0.007}$	-75^{+17}_{-8}	80 ± 60
8	-0.026 ± 0.015	$0.060\substack{+0.011\\-0.010}$	$0.065\substack{+0.013\\-0.009}$	-24^{+12}_{-13}	100 ± 10

[Auger, Science'17]

Anisotropy Reconstruction

Reconstruction Methods

- X data is strongly time-dependent:
 - detector deployment/maintenance
 - atmospheric conditions (day/night, seasons)
 - power outages,...
- X local anisotropies of detector:
 - detector geometry
 - mountains
 - geo-magnetic fields,...
- two analysis strategies:
 - Monte-Carlo & monitoring (limited by systematic uncertainties)
 - data-driven likelihood methods (limited by statistical uncertainties)

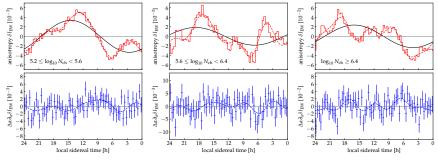


Data-Driven: East-West Method

- Strong time variation of cosmic ray background level can be compensated by differential methods. [e.g. Bonino et al.'11]
- East-West asymmetry:

$$A_{\rm EW}(t) \equiv \frac{N_{\rm E}(t) - N_{\rm W}(t)}{N_{\rm E}(t) + N_{\rm W}(t)} \simeq \underbrace{\Delta \alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha} \delta I(\alpha, 0)}_{\text{if dipole!}} + \underbrace{\mathrm{const}}_{\text{local asym.}}$$

For instance, binned KASCADE-Grande data (2.7 PeV, 6.1 PeV & 33 PeV): [MA'19]



(no significant dipole anisotropy found)

Data-Driven: Likelihood Reconstructions

- East-West method introduces cross-talk between higher multipoles, regardless of field of view.
- → Alternatively, data can be analyzed to *simultaneously* reconstruct:
 - relative acceptance $\mathcal{A}(\varphi, \theta)$ (in local coordinates)
 - relative intensity I(α, δ) (in equatorial coordinates)
 - **background rate** $\mathcal{N}(t)$ (in sidereal time)
 - expected number of CRs observed in sidereal time bin τ and local coordinate *i*:

$$\mu_{\tau i} = \mu(\mathcal{I}_{\tau i}, \mathcal{N}_{\tau}, \mathcal{A}_i)$$

reconstruction via maximum likelihood:

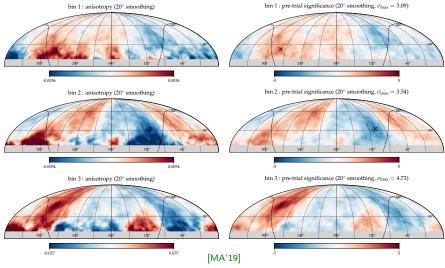
$$\mathcal{L}(n|I, \mathcal{N}, \mathcal{A}) = \prod_{\tau i} \frac{(\mu_{\tau i})^{n_{\tau i}} e^{-\mu_{\tau i}}}{n_{\tau i}!}$$

- Maximum can be reconstructed by iterative methods.
- → used in joint IceCube & HAWC analysis

[MA et al.'15]

[IceCube & HAWC'18]

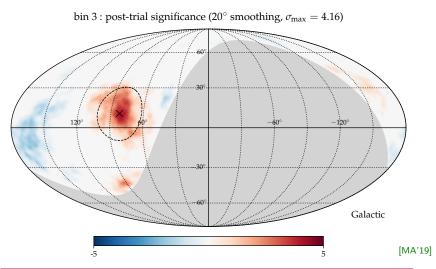
Example: KASCADE-Grande



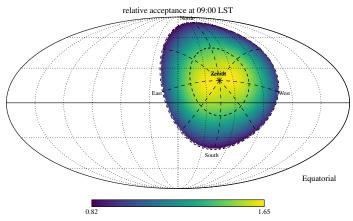
Sidereal anisotropy in the KASCADE-Grande data with median energy of 2.7 PeV (bin 1), 6.1 PeV (bin 2) and 33 PeV (bin 3).

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Small-Scale Feature At the 2nd Knee?

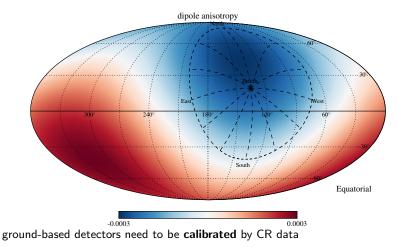


Small-scale anisotropy of 33 PeV cosmic rays overlaps with Cygnus region. (gyro radius < 10 pc; neutron decay length $\simeq 300$ pc)



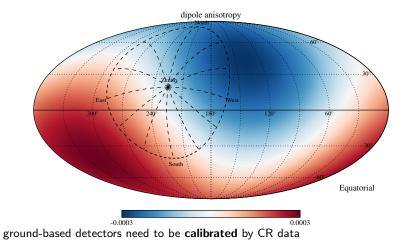
- ground-based detectors need to be calibrated by CR data
- true CR dipole defined by amplitude A_1 , and orientation (RA,DEC) = (α_1, δ_1)

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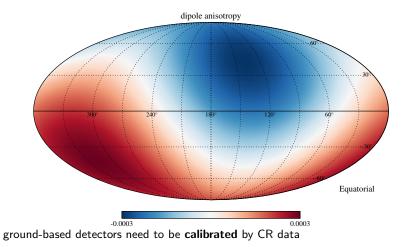
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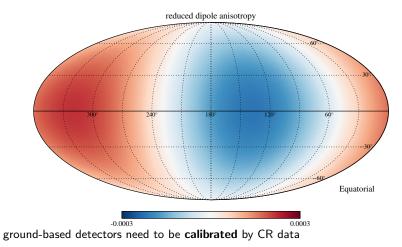


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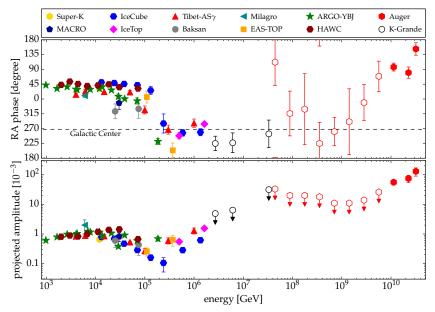
Take-Away on Dipole Reconstruction

Data-driven methods of anisotropy reconstructions used by ground-based observatories are only sensitive to equatorial dipole (or, more generally, to all $m \neq 0$ multipoles) $\Delta \delta_{\perp} \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{Ntot}} \qquad \mathcal{N} \sim \frac{4\pi}{Ntot}$

Monte-Carlo-based methods of anisotropy reconstructions are sensitive to the full dipole, but are limited by systematic uncertainties.

Large-Scale Anisotropy

Cosmic Ray Dipole Anisotropy



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• Spherical harmonics expansion of relative intensity yields:

$$I(\Omega) = 1 + \underbrace{\delta \cdot \widehat{\mathbf{n}}(\Omega)}_{\text{dipole}} + \sum_{\ell \ge 2} \sum_{m} a_{\ell m} Y^{\ell m}(\Omega)$$

• cosmic ray density $n_{\rm CR} \propto E^{-\Gamma_{\rm CR}}$ and dipole vector δ from diffusion theory:

$$\underbrace{\partial_t n_{\mathrm{CR}} \simeq \nabla(\mathbf{K} \nabla n_{\mathrm{CR}}) + Q_{\mathrm{CR}}}_{\text{diffusion equation}} \quad \text{and} \quad \underbrace{\delta \simeq 3\mathbf{K} \nabla n_{\mathrm{CR}} / n_{\mathrm{CR}}}_{\text{from Fick's law}}$$

• diffusion tensor K in general anisotropic (background field B):

$$K_{ij} = \kappa_{\parallel} \widehat{B}_i \widehat{B}_j + \kappa_{\perp} (\delta_{ij} - \widehat{B}_i \widehat{B}_j) + \kappa_A \epsilon_{ijk} \widehat{B}_k$$

• relative motion v of the observer in plasma rest frame (*): [Compton & Getting'35]

$$\delta = \delta^{\star} + \underbrace{(2 + \Gamma_{\rm CR}) v/c}$$

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Compton-Getting effect
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TeV-PeV Dipole Anisotropy

reconstructed diffuse dipole:

$$\delta^{\star} = \delta - \underbrace{(2 + \Gamma_{\rm CR})\beta}_{\rm Compton-Getting} = 3\mathbf{K} \cdot \nabla n^{\star} / n^{\star}$$

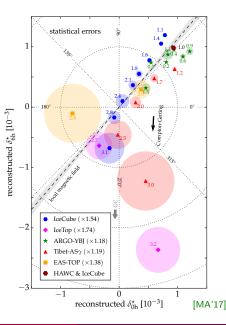
projection onto equatorial plane:

 $\delta_{\rm EP}^{\star} = (\delta_{0\rm h}^{\star}, \delta_{6\rm h}^{\star})$

- strong regular magnetic fields in the local environment
- diffusion tensor reduces to projector: [e.g. Mertsch & Funk'14; Schwadron et al.'14]

$$K_{ij} \to \kappa_{\parallel} \widehat{B}_i \widehat{B}_j$$

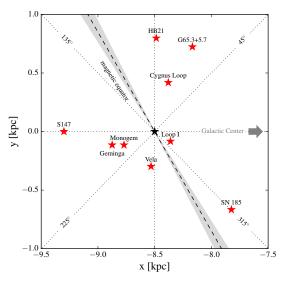
• TeV-PeV dipole data consistent with magnetic field direction inferred by IBEX data [McComas *et al.*'09]



Known Local Supernova Remnants

- projection maps source gradient onto $\widehat{B} \mbox{ or } -\widehat{B}$
- dipole phase α₁ depends on orientation of magnetic hemispheres
 - intersection of magnetic equator with Galactic plane defines two source groups:

$$120^{\circ} \lesssim l \lesssim 300^{\circ} \to \alpha_1 \simeq 49^{\circ}$$
$$-60^{\circ} \lesssim l \lesssim 120^{\circ} \to \alpha_1 \simeq 229^{\circ}$$

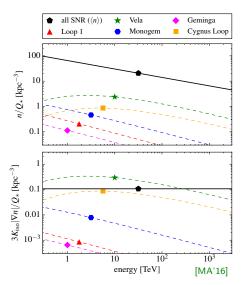


Phase-Flip by Vela SNR?

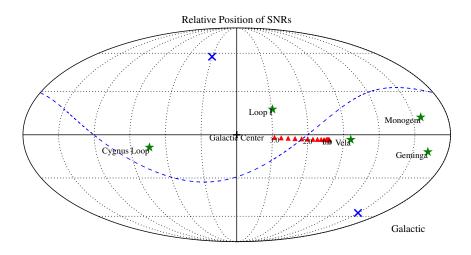
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- plausible scenario: Vela SNR [MA'16]
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 - SNR rate : $\mathcal{R}_{SNR} = 1/30 \, \mathrm{yr}^{-1}$
 - (effective) isotropic diffusion: $K_{\rm iso} \simeq 4 \times 10^{28} (E/3 {\rm GeV})^{1/3} {\rm cm}^2 {
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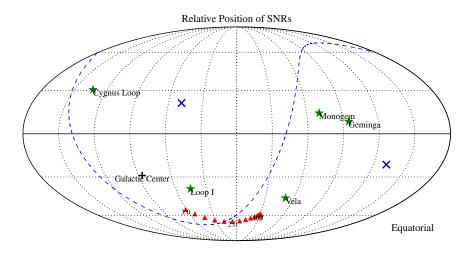


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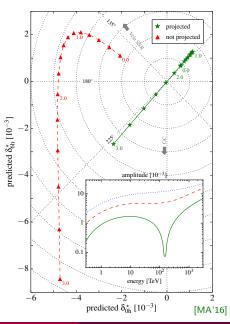
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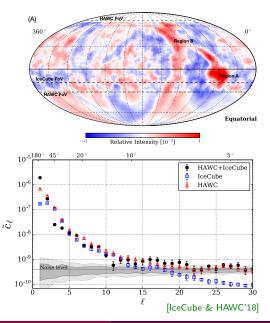
Small-Scale Anisotropy

- Significant TeV small-scale anisotropies down to angular scales of O(10) degrees.
- Strong local excess ("region A") observed by Northern observatories.

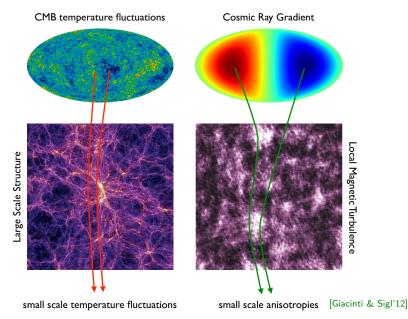
[Tibet-ASγ'06; Milagro'08] [ARGO-YBJ'13; HAWC'14]

 Angular power spectra of IceCube and HAWC data show excess compared to isotropic arrival directions. [IceCube'11; HAWC'14]

$$C_{\ell} = \frac{1}{2\ell + 1} \sum_{m = -\ell}^{\ell} |a_{\ell m}|^2$$



Small-Scale Anisotropy from Local Turbulence



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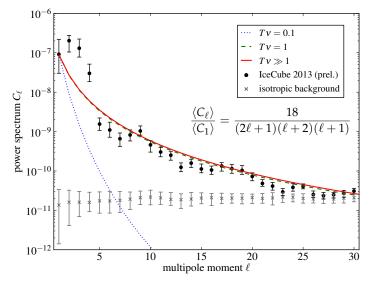
Small-Scale "Theorem"

- Assumptions:
 - absences of cosmic ray sources and sinks
 - isotropic and static magnetic turbulence
 - initially, homogeneous phase space distribution
- *Theorem:* The sum over the ensemble-averaged angular power spectrum is constant:

$$\sum_{\ell} (2\ell + 1) \langle C_{\ell}(t) \rangle = \text{const}$$

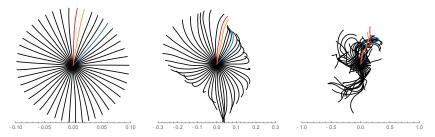
- Proof via Liouville's theorem and angular auto-correlation function. [MA'14]
- → Wash-out of individual moments by diffusion (rate v_ℓ ∝ ℓ(ℓ + 1)) has to be compensated by generation of small-scale anisotropy.
- Theorem implies small-scale angular features from large-scale average dipole anisotropy. [Giacinti & Sigl'12; MA'14; MA & Mertsch'15]

Comparison to CR Data



[MA'14]

Simulation via Backtracking



• Consider a local (quasi-)stationary solution of the diffusion approximation:

$$4\pi \langle f \rangle \simeq n_{\rm CR} + \underbrace{(\mathbf{r} - 3\,\widehat{\mathbf{p}}\,\mathbf{K})\nabla n_{\rm CR}}_{\text{1st order correction}}$$

• Ensemble-averaged C_{ℓ} 's ($\ell \geq 1$):

[MA & Mertsch'15]

$$\frac{\langle C_{\ell} \rangle}{4\pi} \simeq \int \frac{\mathrm{d}\hat{\mathbf{p}}_{1}}{4\pi} \int \frac{\mathrm{d}\hat{\mathbf{p}}_{2}}{4\pi} P_{\ell}(\hat{\mathbf{p}}_{1}\hat{\mathbf{p}}_{2}) \lim_{T \to \infty} \underbrace{\langle \mathbf{r}_{1i}(-T)\mathbf{r}_{2j}(-T) \rangle}_{relative \text{ diffusion}} \frac{\partial_{i}n_{\mathrm{CR}}\partial_{j}n_{\mathrm{CR}}}{n_{\mathrm{CR}}^{2}}$$

Simulation via Backtracking

 simulation in isotropic & static magnetic turbulence with

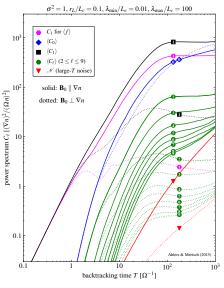
$$\overline{\delta \mathbf{B}^2} = \mathbf{B}_0^2$$

- relative orientation of CR gradient:
 - solid lines : $\mathbf{B}_0 \parallel \nabla n$
 - dotted lines : $\mathbf{B}_0 \perp \nabla n$
- diffusive regime at $T\Omega\gtrsim 100$
- enhanced dipole predicions:

 $\langle C_1 \rangle > C_1$ for $\langle f \rangle$

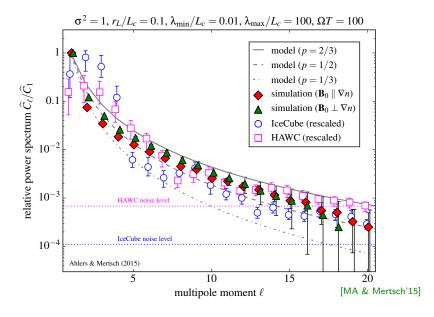
 asymptotically limited by simulation noise:

$$\mathcal{N} \simeq rac{4\pi}{N_{
m pix}} 2T K_{ij}^s rac{\partial_i n \partial_j n}{n^2}$$



[MA & Mertsch'15]

Simulation vs. Data



Summary

- Observation of CR anisotropies at the level of one-per-mille is challenging.
- Reconstruction methods can introduce bias, sometimes not stated or corrected for.
- Dipole anisotropy can be understood in the context of standard diffusion theory:
 - TeV-PeV dipole phase aligns with local ordered magnetic field.
 - Amplitude variations as a result of local sources
 - Plausible & natural candidate: the Vela supernova remnant
- Observed CR data shows evidence of small-scale anisotropy.
 - Influenced by heliosphere?
 - Effect from non-uniform pitch-angle diffusion?
- ✓ Both observations allow to probe our local Galactic environment.
- → LHAASOs prospective energy range (TeV-EeV), energy resolution and event statistics will allow to decipher large- and small-scale features in presently uncharted territory.
- Complements present and future Southern observatories (SWGO & IceCube-Gen2) for extended sky coverage in joint anisotropy analyses.

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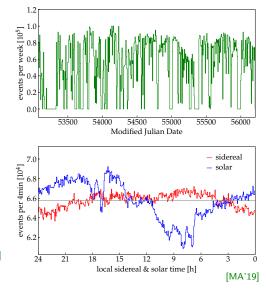
Appendix

KASCADE-Grande Data

- KASCADE-Grande in Karlsruhe, Germany (49.1° N, 8.4° E)
- data collected between March 2004 and October 2012
- available via: kcdc.ikp.kit.edu
- three energy bins from N_{ch} cuts:

E_{med}^{\clubsuit}	N _{ch} -range	N _{tot}
_	$> 10^{5.2}$	23,674,844
	≥ 10	20,071,011
2.7 PeV	$[10^{5.2}, 10^{5.6})$	17,443,774
6.1 PeV	$[10^{5.6}, 10^{6.4})$	6,084,275
33 PeV	$\geq 10^{6.4}$	146,795
	- 2.7 PeV 6.1 PeV	$\begin{array}{c} - & \geq 10^{5.2} \\ \hline 2.7 \text{PeV} & [10^{5.2}, 10^{5.6}) \\ 6.1 \text{PeV} & [10^{5.6}, 10^{6.4}) \end{array}$

• Full anisotropy construction in Northern Hemisphere possible with max- \mathcal{L} method. [MA'19]



Non-Uniform Pitch-Angle Diffusion

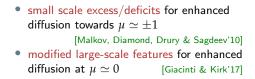
• stationary pitch-angle diffusion $(\mu \equiv \cos \theta)$:

$$v\mu\frac{\partial}{\partial z}\langle f\rangle=\frac{\partial}{\partial\mu}D_{\mu\mu}\frac{\partial}{\partial\mu}\langle f\rangle$$

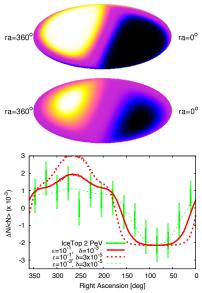
non-uniform diffusion:

$$\frac{D_{\mu\mu}}{1-\mu^2} \neq \text{const}$$

 non-uniform pitch-angle diffusion modifies the large-scale anisotropy aligned with B₀

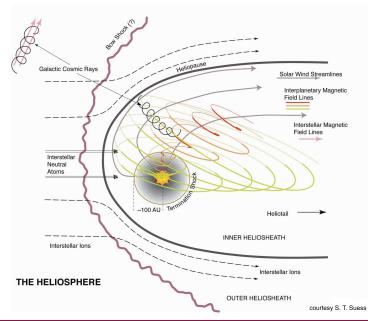


➔ talk by G. Giacinti



[[]Giacinti & Kirk'17]

Small-Scale Anisotropies from Heliosphere?



Small-Scale Anisotropies from Heliosphere?

- Solar potential affects cosmic ray flux (monopole) only at rigidity $\mathcal{R} \lesssim GV$. [Gleeson & Axford'68;Gleeson & Urch'73]
- However, gyroradius of sub-TV cosmic rays smaller than the size of heliosphere:

$$r_g \simeq 200 \left(\frac{\mathcal{R}}{\mathrm{TV}}\right) \left(\frac{B}{\mu \mathrm{G}}\right)^{-1} \mathrm{AU}$$

- various effects and studies:
 - * hard CR spectra via magnetic reconnection in the heliotail [Lazarian & Desiati'10]
 - * non-isotropic particle transport in the heliosheath [Desiati & Lazarian'11]
 - * heliospheric electric fields induced by plasma motion [Drury'13]
 - $\star\,$ simulation via CR back-tracking in MHD simulation of heliosphere

[Zhang, Zuo & Pogorelov'14; López-Barquero et al.'16]

Solar Potential

• dipole anisotropy induced by CR diffusion in solar wind:

$$|\Phi| = -\underbrace{\frac{\beta_{\odot}(r)}{3} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \ln p}}_{\text{Compton-Getting}} - \underbrace{\kappa_{\odot}(r,p) \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial r}}_{\text{diffuse dipole}}$$

→ force-field approximation: $|\mathbf{\Phi}| \simeq 0$

[Gleeson & Axford'68;Gleeson & Urch'73]

local solution related to distribution beyond heliosphere:

$$\phi(r_{\oplus}, p(r_{\oplus})) = \lim_{R \to \infty} \phi(R, p(R))$$

• *p*(*r*) solution of **characteristic equation**:

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial r} = \frac{\beta_{\odot}(r)}{3} \frac{p}{\kappa_r(r,p)}$$

→ assume **Bohm diffusion** in heliosphere: $\kappa_{\odot}(r,p) \simeq \kappa_0(r)(\mathcal{R}/\mathcal{R}_0)$

$$p(r_{\oplus}) = p(\infty) - |Z|eV_{\odot}$$
 with $V_{\odot} = \underbrace{\frac{\mathcal{R}_0}{3} \int_{r_{\oplus}}^{\infty} dr' \frac{\beta_{\odot}(r')}{\kappa_0(r')}}_{\text{effective "solar potential"}} \lesssim 1 \,\text{GV}$

Appendix

Simulated Turbulence

• 3D-isotropic turbulence:

[Giacalone & Jokipii'99]

[Fraschetti & Giacalone'12]

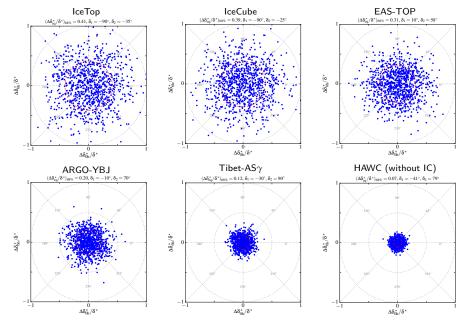
$$\delta \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} A(k_n) (\mathbf{a}_n \cos \alpha_n + \mathbf{b}_n \sin \alpha_n) \cos(\mathbf{k}_n \mathbf{x} + \beta_n)$$

- α_n and β_n are random phases in $[0, 2\pi)$, unit vectors $\mathbf{a}_n \propto \mathbf{k}_n \times \mathbf{e}_z$ and $\mathbf{b}_n \propto \mathbf{k}_n \times \mathbf{a}_n$
- with amplitude

$$A^{2}(k_{n}) = \frac{2\sigma^{2}B_{0}^{2}G(k_{n})}{\sum_{n=1}^{N}G(k_{n})} \quad \text{with} \quad G(k_{n}) = 4\pi k_{n}^{2}\frac{k_{n}\Delta \ln k}{1 + (k_{n}L_{c})^{\gamma}}$$

- Kolmogorov-type turbulence: $\gamma = 11/3$
- N = 160 wavevectors \mathbf{k}_n with $|\mathbf{k}_n| = k_{\min}e^{(n-1)\Delta \ln k}$ and $\Delta \ln k = \ln(k_{\max}/k_{\min})/N$
- $\lambda_{\min} = 0.01 L_c$ and $\lambda_{\max} = 100 L_c$
- rigidity: $r_L = 0.1L_c$
- turbulence level: $\sigma^2 = {f B}_0^2/\left< \delta {f B}^2 \right> = 1$

Systematic Uncertainty of CR Dipole



Compton-Getting Effect

• phase-space distribution is Lorentz-invariant

$$f(\mathbf{p}) = f^{\star}(\mathbf{p}^{\star})$$

• relative motion of observer $(\beta = \mathbf{v}/c)$ in plasma rest frame (*):

$$\mathbf{p}^{\star} = \mathbf{p} + p\boldsymbol{\beta} + \mathcal{O}(\boldsymbol{\beta}^2)$$

• Taylor expansion:

$$f(\mathbf{p}) \simeq f^{\star}(\mathbf{p}) + (\mathbf{p}^{\star} - \mathbf{p}) \nabla_{\mathbf{p}^{\star}} f^{\star}(\mathbf{p}) + \mathcal{O}(\beta^2) \simeq f^{\star}(\mathbf{p}) + p\beta \nabla_{\mathbf{p}^{\star}} f^{\star}(\mathbf{p}) + \mathcal{O}(\beta^2)$$

→ dipole term Φ is **not invariant**:

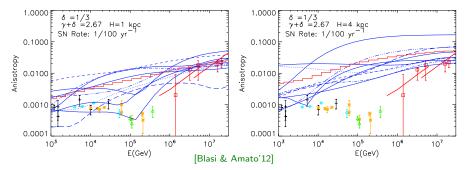
$$\phi = \phi^{\star}$$
 and $\Phi = \Phi^{\star} + rac{1}{3}eta rac{\partial \phi^{\star}}{\partial \ln p}$

• with $\phi \sim p^{-2} n_{\rm CR} \propto p^{-2-\Gamma_{\rm CR}}$:

$$\delta = \delta^{\star} + \underbrace{(2 + \Gamma_{\text{CR}})\beta}_{\text{Compton-Getting effect}}$$

X What is the plasma rest-frame? LSR or ISM : $v \simeq 20 \text{km/s}$

Local Sources



 Distribution of local cosmic ray sources (SNR) in position and time induces variation in the anisotropy. [Erlykin & Wolfendale'06; Blasi & Amato'12]

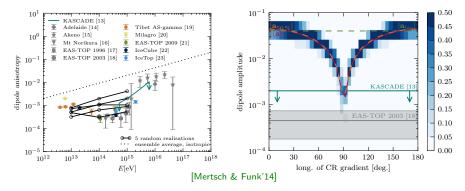
[Sveshnikova et al.'13; Pohl & Eichler'13]

variance of amplitude can be estimated as:

[Blasi & Amato'12]

$$\sigma_A \propto \frac{K(E)}{cH} \longrightarrow \frac{\sigma_A}{A} = \text{const}$$

Local Magnetic Field



- strong regular magnetic fields in the local environment
- → diffusion tensor reduces to projector: [e.g. Mertsch & Funk'14; Schwadron et al.'14; MA'17]

$$K_{ij} \to \kappa_{\parallel} \widehat{B}_i \widehat{B}_j$$

ightarrow reduced dipole amplitude and alignment with magnetic field: $\delta \parallel {f B}$

Local Magnetic Field

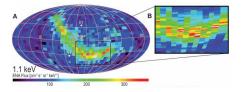
- IBEX ribbon: enhanced emission of energetic neutral atoms (ENAs) observed with Interstellar Boundary EXplorer [McComas *et al.*'09]
- interpreted as local magnetic field $(\lesssim 0.1 \text{ pc})$ drapping the heliosphere
- circle center defines field orientation (in Galactic coordinate system):

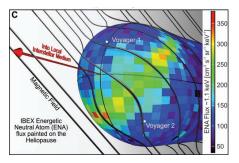
[Funsten et al.'13]

$$l \simeq 210.5^{\circ}$$
 & $b \simeq -57.1^{\circ}$
 $(\Delta \theta \simeq 1.5^{\circ})$

• consistent with starlight polarization by interstellar dust ($\lesssim 40 \text{ pc}$) [Frisch *et al.*'15]

$$l \simeq 216.2^{\circ}$$
 & $b \simeq -49.0^{\circ}$





[McComas et al.'09]

Evolution Model

• Diffusion theory motivates that each $\langle C_\ell \rangle$ decays exponentially with an effective relaxation rate [Yosida'49]

$$\nu_{\ell} \propto \mathbf{L}^2 \propto \ell(\ell+1)$$

• A linear $\langle C_{\ell} \rangle$ evolution equation with generation rates $\nu_{\ell \to \ell'}$ requires:

$$\partial_t \langle C_\ell \rangle = -\nu_\ell \langle C_\ell \rangle + \sum_{\ell' \ge 0} \nu_{\ell' \to \ell} \frac{2\ell' + 1}{2\ell + 1} \langle C_{\ell'} \rangle \quad \text{with} \quad \nu_\ell = \sum_{\ell' \ge 0} \nu_{\ell \to \ell'}$$

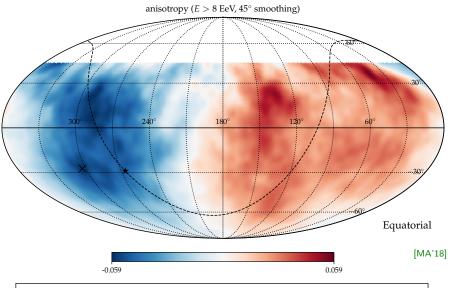
• For $\nu_\ell \simeq \nu_{\ell \to \ell+1}$ and $\widetilde{C}_\ell = 0$ for $l \ge 2$ this has the analytic solution:

$$\langle C_{\ell} \rangle(T) \simeq \frac{3\widetilde{C}_1}{2\ell+1} \prod_{m=1}^{\ell-1} \nu_m \sum_n \prod_{p=1(\neq n)}^{\ell} \frac{e^{-T\nu_n}}{\nu_p - \nu_n}$$

• For $\nu_{\ell} \simeq \ell(\ell+1)\nu$ we arrive at a finite asymptotic ratio:

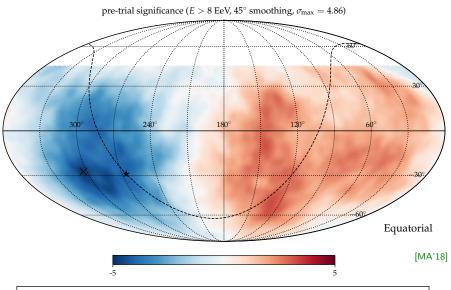
$$\lim_{T \to \infty} \frac{\langle C_{\ell} \rangle(T)}{\langle C_{1} \rangle(T)} \simeq \frac{18}{(2\ell+1)(\ell+2)(\ell+1)}$$

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