# High Energy Sources and

## Multi-Messenger High Energy Astrophysics



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#### Outline of talk

Gamma Ray Observations Classes of sources AGN GRB other sources

Neutrino Observations

**Cosmic Ray Observations** 

Conclusions

## "High Energy Universe"

The ensemble of astrophysical objects, environments and mechanisms that generate and store very high energy particles in the Milky Way and in the entire universe.

### 4 Messengers

Cosmic Rays, Photons, Neutrinos

**Gravitational Waves** 

#### Cosmic Ray Source



Interactions with gas and radiation fields *(photons, neutrinos)* 

Hadronic emission

$$p + X \to \pi^{+} \pi^{-} \pi^{\circ} \dots$$
$$\pi^{\circ} \to \gamma \gamma$$
$$\pi^{+} \to \mu^{+} \nu_{\mu}$$
$$\mapsto e^{+} \nu_{e} \overline{\nu}_{\mu}$$



## Gamma Rays

#### Space $E_{\gamma} \simeq 0.1 \div 100 \text{ TeV}$



#### Cherenkov

#### $E_{\gamma} \simeq 0.1 \div 100 \text{ TeV}$





 ${
m Ground} \; {
m Array} \ E_\gamma \lesssim 30 \; {
m PeV}$ 



#### Diffuse flux + Ensemble of (quasi)-point like sources

## Diffuse Emission

*Fermi*–LAT counts Galactic coordinates



 $\phi(\Omega) \propto \int d\ell \; n_{
m cr}(ec{\ell}) \; n_{
m ism}(ec{\ell})$ 

Integral over line of sight

[(CR density) \* (gas density)]

$$p + p_{\rm ISM} \to \pi^{\circ} \to \gamma \ \gamma$$

Study distribution of Cosmic Rays in the Galaxy



#### FERMI 4<sup>th</sup> Catalog (5064 sources)

#### Equal Area Sky projection



No association	Possible association	n with SNR or PWN	AGN
★ Pulsar	Globular cluster	<ul> <li>Starburst Galaxy</li> </ul>	PWN
Binary	+ Galaxy	• SNR	Nova
<ul> <li>Star-forming region</li> </ul>	Unclassified source	)	

3034 3<sup>rd</sup> catalog sources



sin [Galactic Latitude]

Classes of Sources	Fermi source associated w known objec	ith 72	2% of arces
Active Galactic Nuclei (AGN) (AGN of "Blazar" class	3208 3137	88% 86%)	
Galaxies (Normal)	4		
Galaxies (Star Forming)	7		
Galactic			
Pulsars	239	6.5%	
SuperNova Remnants (SNR)	40	1.1%	
SNR + Pulsar Wind Nebulae	108	3.0%	
Globular Clusters (many ms Pulsars	s [?]) 30		
Accreting Binary Stars	11		
Novae	1		

#### TeV Sky 170 $\rightarrow$ 200 Sources



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

Super Massive Black Holes (at the center of Galaxies)

## Active Galactic Nuclei

(powered by mass accretion)

#### The Nobel Prize in Physics 2020



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Prize share: 1/2



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Penrose

For the discovery that black hole formation is a robust prediction of the general theory of relativity

Genzel Ghez

For the discovery of a supermassive compact object at the centre of our Galaxy



#### M87 (d=17 Mpc)



THE ASTROPHYSICAL JOURNAL LETTERS, 875:L1 (17pp), 2019 April 10

#### First M87 Event Horizon Telescope Results. I. The Shadow of the Supermassive Black Hole

The Event Horizon Telescope Collaboration (See the end matter for the full list of authors.) Received 2019 March 1; revised 2019 March 12; accepted 2019 March 12; published 2019 April 10





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."



#### diameter = $42 \pm 3 \ \mu as$

#### Schwarzschild radius

$$R_S = \frac{2\,G}{c^2}\,\,M$$

Photon capture radius

$$R_c = \sqrt{27} \ \frac{G}{c^2} \ M$$

$$d = 16.8 \pm 0.8 \; \text{Mpc}$$

 $M = (6.5 \pm 0.7) \times 10^9 \ M_{\odot}$ 

AGN SMBH masses B.Peterson [2014]



#### Sloan Digital Survey of Quasars (283,033 objects)



Active Galactic Nuclei (AGN)

Complicated (and also controversial) classification in different types. A real "Zoo" of different objects

Seyferth Galaxies Radio Galaxies

..... Quasars BL-Lac Objects

Emission Associated to accretion to a SuperMassive Black Hole at the galaxy center

#### Accretion Power

 $\Delta E \approx \frac{G M \Delta m}{r_{\min}}$ 

Energy Released by mass

Approaching massive object of mass

to a minimum distance

 $r_{\min}$ 

 $\Delta m$ 

M

$$\eta = \frac{\Delta E}{\Delta m \, c^2} \approx \frac{1}{2 \left( r_{\min} / R_S \right)}$$

"efficiency" (fraction of rest-mass energy that can be released)

 $\eta\simeq 0.06\div 0.42$ 

Schwarzschild radius

$$R_S = \frac{2 G M}{c^2}$$

$$\dot{M} = 1 \ M_{\odot} \ \mathrm{yr}^{-1}$$
  
 $L \simeq 10^{46} \ \mathrm{erg/s} \simeq 3 \times 10^{12} \ L_{\odot}$ 

#### 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 colleagues<sup>1</sup>.

## M 87





First astrophysical "jet" [1913 Heber Curtis]

#### Superluminal Motion

#### Superluminal Motion in the M87 Jet

$$v_{\perp,\mathrm{app}} = \frac{L \left(\varphi_2 - \varphi_1\right)}{\Delta t_{\mathrm{obs}}}$$









$$t_1^{\text{obs}} = t_1 + \frac{L}{c}$$
  
$$t_2^{\text{obs}} = t_1 + \frac{L - c\beta \cos \theta \,\Delta t}{c}$$
  
$$\Delta t_{\text{obs}} = \Delta t \, (1 - \beta \,\cos \theta)$$

$$\varphi_2 = \varphi_1 + \frac{c\,\beta\,\sin\theta\,\,\Delta t}{L}$$

$$\Delta t_{\rm obs} = \Delta t \ (1 - \beta \ \cos \theta)$$

$$\beta_{\perp,\text{app}} = \frac{L \left(\varphi_2 - \varphi_1\right)}{c \,\Delta t_{\text{obs}}} = \frac{\beta \,\sin\theta}{\left(1 - \beta\cos\theta\right)}$$

$$\beta_{\text{apparent}} = \frac{r}{c} \frac{\Delta \Omega}{\Delta t_{\text{obs}}} = \frac{\beta \sin \theta}{[1 - \beta \cos \theta]} \qquad \qquad \theta = \cos^{-1} \beta \simeq \frac{1}{\gamma}$$

$$\beta_{\text{apparent}} \rightarrow \beta \gamma$$

 $eta_{ extsf{apparent}}$ 

#### Strange beast

The Event Horizon Telescope (EHT) team took 2 years to produce an image of the black hole at the center of nearby galaxy Messier 87 (M87), which feeds on a swirling disk of bright matter. Its gravity is so strong that photons orbit it, creating a bright ring. Gravitational lensing magnifies the black hole's event horizon into a larger dark shadow, which may be partially filled by material in front of the hole.



#### BL Lacertae

"Variable star" (classified and names in 1929)

1968 associated with radio source. AGN at z = 0.07

Whole Earth Blazar Telescope (WEBT) Very rapid variation





"BLAZARS":

Quasars, BL-Lac Objects Brightests, most variable AGN (jets pointing to observer)





**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.



Science 24 Jul 2009: Vol. 325, Issue 5939, pp. 444-448 DOI: 10.1126/science.1175406

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



## Gamma Ray Bursts (GRB)

#### $1^{st}$ GRB $2^{nd}$ July 1967

#### **VELA** satellite





#### Examples of GRB time profiles (from BATSE 1991-2000)




# Fermi Telescope

# Gamma Burst Monitor (GBM)



Direction of burst from comparison of rates of different detectors

12 NaI scintillators (10 KeV – 1 MeV) 2 BGO scintillators (150 KeV – 30 MeV)

# FERMI satellite Gamma Ray Burst Monitor (GBM) 10 years catalog 1998-2008 [50-300 KeV]



Isotropic distribution

### 2<sup>nd</sup> FERMI-LAT GRB catalog (2008/July/14 – 2018/July/31) [0.1 – 100 GeV]



2357 GBM GRBs (gray asterisks) (160 + 16) long (short) LAT-detected GRB





### Extraordinary Large (beamed) Energy Output





GRB 130427A Science

3<sup>rd</sup> January 2014

## **GRB 130427A: A Nearby Ordinary Monster**

Fermi paper lower limit on Lorentz Factor of outflow

 $\Gamma_{\rm min} = 455^{+16}_{-13}$ 



Time profile [SWIFT (Bat)] [15-350 keV]

### Afterglow of GRB 130427A





Hubble Space Telescope

> Detection of SN 2013 cq and its host galaxy

[at z = 0.3399]

GRB 0.83'' from center if Galaxy (4 kpc) Why do we think that GRB are "jet like" with a very large relativistic velocity?

 $t_{obs}$ 

 ${\mathcal F}$ 

Duration

energy fluence

 $erg/(cm^2 s)$ 

GRB event (assume no beaming)

size of source

$$R \simeq \Delta t_{\rm obs} \, c$$

At the "explosion" time enormous photons density in source

 $n_{\gamma} \approx \frac{4 \pi d^2 \mathcal{F}}{\langle \varepsilon \rangle} \frac{1}{R^3}$ 

The source is not transparent

**Opacity** 
$$\tau \approx R n_{\gamma} \sigma_{\gamma\gamma} \approx \frac{4 \pi d^2 \mathcal{F}}{\langle \varepsilon \rangle \ (\Delta t_{\rm obs} c)^2} \sigma_{\gamma\gamma}$$

Parameters of GRB139427A  $~\tau\approx 10^{12}$ 

enormous opacity system "thermalized" with Black body emission

How can one reduce the opacity ?

 $\tau \lesssim 1$ 

$$\tau \approx \frac{4 \pi d^2 \mathcal{F}}{\langle \varepsilon \rangle \ (\Delta t \, c)^2} \ \sigma_{\gamma \gamma}$$

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 $\begin{array}{ll} \text{Relativistic} & \Gamma \gtrsim 1 \\ \text{beaming} & \end{array}$ 



200  

$$\Delta t$$
)<sub>obs</sub>  $\simeq \Delta t \ (1 - \beta) \approx \Delta t \ \frac{1}{2\Gamma^2}$ 

 $\Delta t_{\rm obs} \simeq 10 \ {\rm sec} \qquad \Delta t \gtrsim 1 \ {\rm yr}$ 

[all energies in source frame lower (fewer photons above threshold)







### FERMI Observations of GRB 130427A





### Fermi Observations during Afterglow









Quantum Gravity effects [space-time granularity]

$$v_{\gamma} \simeq c \ \left(1 - \xi \ \frac{E}{E_{\text{Planck}}} + \dots\right)$$
$$E_{\text{Planck}} = \sqrt{\frac{\hbar c^{5}}{G_{\text{Newton}}}}$$
$$\simeq 1.22 \times 10^{19} \text{ GeV}$$
$$L_{\text{Planck}} = \frac{\hbar c}{E_{\text{Planck}}}$$
$$\simeq 1.62 \times 10^{-33} \text{ cm}$$
$$v_{\gamma} \simeq c \ \left(1 - \frac{E}{E_{\text{QG}}} + \dots\right)$$

# GBM time-duration distribution

T[90% of fluence]



### Short versus Long GRB's



### Association Long GRB's with SN explosions



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

# SN 1998bw GRB 980425



# Gravitational Waves





### VIRGO













### LIGO



Wave form allows to reconstruct the parameters of the Binary Black Hole system (and test General Relativity)



**GW150914** 

### 1<sup>st</sup> Catalog of Gravitational-Wave transients





LIGO-Virgo | Frank Elavsky | Northwestern

### Black Hole mass distribution in the Universe



L. Barack *et al.*, "Black holes, gravitational waves and fundamental physics: a roadmap," arXiv:1806.05195 [gr-qc]. 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





# GW 170817





#### GRB 170817A

GW 170817



**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  $2\sigma$  upper limits estimated from the model variance are shown as downward-pointing arrows. The residuals are shown in the lower subpanels.





# NGC 4993



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



L. Rezzolla et al. ApJ (2011)

THE MISSING LINK: MERGING NEUTRON STARS NATURALLY PRODUCE JET-LIKE STRUCTURES AND CAN POWER SHORT GAMMA-RAY BURSTS
### 7.5 msec





msec



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.



The simulation shows that the magnetic field is organized is a structure that is consistent with the emission of a jet and then a Gamma Ray Burst

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

Extreme gravity, Black Hole formation Copious emission of gravitational waves, Complex microphysics, Electromagnetic processes that can lead to *Gamma-Ray-Burst* Ejected material, and its nucleosynthesis. Two Classes of Gamma Ray Bursts: "Short" and "Long"





Classes of Sources extragalactic	[Fermi sources associated with known objects ]	72% of sources
Active Galactic Nuclei (AGN) (AGN of "Blazar" class		88% 36%)
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SNR + Pulsar Wind Nebulae1083.0%

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Globular Clusters (many ms Pulsars [?]) 30

Accreting Binary Stars 11

Novae

"Artist view" of Accreting Binary System

# Superluminal Motions in microQuasars in our Galaxy



### GRS1915+105

### Observations in radio

 $\lambda = 3.5~{\rm cm}$ 

### "Two pairs of bright radio condensations"



Angular velocities  

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

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

$$= \frac{\beta \sin \theta}{1 \pm \beta \cos \theta} \frac{c}{D}$$

 $D = 12.5 \pm 1.5 \; \text{kpc}$ 

# PULSARS



# CRAB Nebula

 $P_{\mathrm{Crab}} = 0.0334 \mathrm{~s}$ 

### 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

### The CRAB Nebula

6 arcminutes

1 minute = 0.58 pc= 1.8 \* 10<sup>18</sup> cm

### Compact object at the center of the Remnant



SN: 16 august 1680 [Astronomer Royal John Flamsteed]

### Fits to the FERMI sources associated with Supernova Remnants

Are SNR the main sources of Galactic Cosmic Rays ?



# Dark Matter

Understanding the nature and properties of Dark Matter is of *central importance for fundamental physics*.



"Dark Matter" Cornelia Parker Tate Gallery London This is obviously a problem of GREAT importance [for many is THE CENTRAL problem]

It is intimately related to the study of the High Energy Universe

[but very little discussion in this seminar....]

Observations of the "High Energy Universe" [gamma, neutrino, pbar ,e<sup>+</sup>] can put limits or *detect* the signatures of Dark Matter.

The presence of DM can be important for the structure of astrophysical sources [for example galactic nuclei]

### *Weakly Interacting Massive Particle* Thermal Relic

 $\chi + \chi \to f + \bar{f}$  $\chi + \chi \leftarrow f + \overline{f}$ 



site that contains a DM mass density

 $\rho_{\chi}(\vec{x})$ 

 $n_{\chi}(\vec{x}) = \frac{\rho_{\chi}(\vec{x})}{m_{\chi}}$ 

Rate of energy release per unit volume, unit time:

$$(2 m_{\chi}) \left[\frac{1}{2} n_{\chi}^{2}(\vec{x}) \langle \sigma v \rangle \right] d^{3}x dt$$
$$\nu \gamma \overline{p} e^{+} \dots$$

No evidence for Dark Matter signal in gamma ray studies

1. Galactic Center

### 2. Dwarf Galaxies

### 3. Spectral lines

M. Ackermann *et al.* [Fermi-LAT Collaboration], "The Fermi Galactic Center GeV Excess and Implications for Dark Matter," Astrophys. J. **840**, no. 1, 43 (2017) [arXiv:1704.03910 [astro-ph.HE]].

M. Ackermann *et al.* [Fermi-LAT Collaboration], "Searching for Dark Matter Annihilation from Milky Way Dwarf Spheroidal Galaxies with Six Years of Fermi Large Area Telescope Data," Phys. Rev. Lett. **115**, no. 23, 231301 (2015) [arXiv:1503.02641 [astro-ph.HE]].

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[arXiv:1503.02641 [astro-ph.HE]].



We should look for dark matter not only where theoretical prejudice dictates that we "must", but wherever we can.

Casting a wider theoretical net offers the possibility to explore new classes of dark matter candidates and develop new experimental methods to search for them.



# Possible solutions to the Dark Matter Problem (from Bertone et al. 2019)

# Neutrinos

Extragalactic Gamma rays absorbed for E > 1 TeV

### Hadronic emission

# Leptonic emission $e^{\pm}$ $\gamma_{\text{soft}} \rightarrow e^{\pm}$ $\gamma$ $e^{\pm}$ $Z \rightarrow e^{\pm}$ $\gamma$ $e^{\pm}$ $\vec{B} \rightarrow e^{\pm}$ $\gamma_{\text{syn}}$

Gamma Ray emission

Neutrino emission

Approximately same size (and spectral shape)

for hadronic mechanism

Neutrino not-absorbed

Gamma rays suffer absorption inside the source in propagation

# The High energy region of highest interest because $E\gtrsim 10~{\rm TeV}$ of photon absorption



# New detector concept (km<sup>3</sup> scale)

### "Beaded string"









# Artist view of KM3NET



### Search for Neutrino Point Sources

At present only limits but this is not unexpected given the sensitivity of the existing instruments

IceCube 10 years search



Two most significant excesses

2 AGN

NGC 1068 (2.9 sigma)

TXS 0506+056 (3.3 sigma)





IceCube 10 years data [from Catalog of potential sources]

 $E_{\nu} \gtrsim 1 \text{ TeV}$ 

# Starting 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

#### Types of events and interactions



~ 0.5° angular resolution

0.3° above 100 TeV

10-15° angular resolution (above 100 TeV) Working on improving that.

Early

Late

ID: above~ 100 TeV

(two methods)

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# High-Energy Starting Events (HESE) – 7.5 yr



Prior result 6 years ICRC 2017 arXiv:1710.01191 Updates to calibration and ice optical properties

103 events, with 60 events >60 TeV

→ Changes to RA, Dec, energy

IceCube. Nature volume 551 (2017) 596 Poster #175. Wandkowsky et al. (IceCube)

# Upgoing (neutrino induced) Muons



# High-Energy Starting Events (HESE) – 7.5 yr



Ignacio Taboada: Neutrino 2018

### electron and tau neutrinos (showers only)




Signal from the ensemble of extragalactic sources





Evidence of neutrino emission from a

BLAZAR

#### TXS 0506+056



#### $z = 0.3365 \pm 0.0010$

 $d = 706 {
m Mpc}$ 

 $\dot{\Omega} = 332 \pm 82 \ \mu as/year$ 

$$\beta_{\rm app} = \frac{\dot{\Omega}\,d}{c} = 3.7\pm0.9$$

#### TXS 0506+056

#### TXS 0506+056 🛯 🕤 אותאבס 👄

Canonical Name: TeVCat Name: Other Names: Source Type: R.A.: Dec.: Gal Long: Gal Lat: Distance: Flux: Energy Threshold: Spectral Index: Extended: **Discovery Date:** Discovered By: TeVCat SubCat:

Source Notes:

TXS 0506+056 TeV J0509+056 EHE 170922A 3FGL J0509.4+0541 3FHL J0509.4+0542 Blazar 05 09 25.96370 (hh mm ss) +05 41 35.3279 (dd mm ss) 195.41 (deg) -19.64 (deg) z=0.3365 (Crab Units) 100 GeV No 2017-10 MAGIC Newly Announced

The blazar TXS 0506+056 lies within the error circle of lceCube-170922A, the lceCube high-energy neutrion candidate event whose detection was reported in <u>GCN circular #21916</u>. Follow-up observations were performed by a number of GeV-TeV instruments with both Fermi-LAT and MAGIC reporting evidence for gamma-ray emission from positions consistent with the lceCube neutrino error circle which they thus associate with the blazar TXS 0506+056. Upper limits on the gamma-ray emission from the region were reported by H.E.S.S, HAWC and VERITAS.

## 22 /sept/ 2017



Icecube event (Muon entering the detector:

$$E_{vis} = 23.7 + 2.8 \text{ TeV}$$

#### IceCube GCN 21916 17/09/23

TITLE: GCN CIRCULAR NUMBER: 21916 SUBJECT: IceCube-170922A - IceCube observation of a high-energy neutrino candidate event DATE: 17/09/23 01:09:26 GMT FROM: Erik Blaufuss at U. Maryland/IceCube <blaufuss@icecube.umd.edu>

Claudio Kopper (University of Alberta) and Erik Blaufuss (University of Maryland) report on behalf of the IceCube Collaboration (http://icecube.wisc.edu/).

On 22 Sep, 2017 IceCube detected a track-like, very-high-energy event with a high probability of being of astrophysical origin. The event was identified by the Extremely High Energy (EHE) track event selection. The IceCube detector was in a normal operating state. EHE events typically have a neutrino interaction vertex that is outside the detector, produce a muon that traverses the detector volume, and have a high light level (a proxy for energy).

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 roc@icecube.wisc.edu

# The Aneutrino event in IceCube

### TXS 0506+56

#### High-energy, through going track



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### Multi-messenger observations of a flaring blazar coincident with high-energy neutrino IceCube-170922A

#### The IceCube, *Fermi*-LAT, MAGIC, *AGILE*, ASAS-SN, HAWC, H.E.S.S, *INTEGRAL*, Kanata, Kiso, Kapteyn, Liverpool telescope, Subaru, *Swift/NuSTAR*, VERITAS, and VLA/17B-403 teams \*<sup>†</sup>

Individual astrophysical sources previously detected in neutrinos are limited to the Sun and the supernova 1987A, whereas the origins of the diffuse flux of high-energy cosmic neutrinos remain unidentified. On 22 September 2017 we detected a high-energy neutrino, IceCube-170922A, with an energy of ~290 terra-electronvolts. Its arrival direction was consistent with the location of a known  $\gamma$ -ray blazar TXS 0506+056, observed to be in a flaring state. An extensive multi-wavelength campaign followed, ranging from radio frequencies to  $\gamma$ -rays. These observations characterize the variability and energetics of the blazar and include the first detection of TXS 0506+056 in very-high-energy  $\gamma$ -rays. This observation of a neutrino in spatial coincidence with a  $\gamma$ -ray emitting blazar during an active phase suggests that blazars may be a source of high-energy neutrinos.





**(B)** 

Figure 2: *Fermi*-LAT and MAGIC observations of IceCube-170922A's location. Sky position of IceCube-170922A in J2000 equatorial coordinates overlaying the  $\gamma$ -ray counts from *Fermi*-LAT above 1 GeV (A) and the signal significance as observed by MAGIC (B) in this region. The tan square indicates the position reported in the initial alert and the green square indicates the final best-fitting position from follow-up reconstructions (*18*). Gray and red curves show the 50% and 90% neutrino containment regions, respectively, including statistical and systematic errors. *Fermi*-LAT data are shown as a photon counts map in 9.5 years of data in units of counts per pixel, using detected photons with energy of 1 to 300 GeV in a 2° by 2° region around TXS0506+056. The map has a pixel size of 0.02° and was smoothed with a 0.02 degree-wide Gaussian kernel. MAGIC data are shown as signal significance for  $\gamma$ -rays above 90 GeV. Also shown are the locations of a  $\gamma$ -ray source observed by *Fermi*-LAT as given in the *Fermi*-LAT Third Source Catalog (3FGL) (*23*) and the Third Catalog of Hard *Fermi*-LAT Sources (3FHL) (*24*) source catalogs, including the identified positionally coincident 3FGL object TXS 0506+056. For *Fermi*-LAT catalog objects, marker sizes indicate the 95% C.L. positional uncertainty of the source.

# Neutrino emission from the direction of the blazar TXS 0506+056 prior to the IceCube-170922A alert

A high-energy neutrino event detected by IceCube on 22 September 2017 was coincident in direction and time with a gamma-ray flare from the blazar TXS 0506+056. Prompted by this association, we investigated 9.5 years of IceCube neutrino observations to search for excess emission at the position of the blazar. We found an excess of high-energy neutrino events with respect to atmospheric backgrounds at that position between September 2014 and March 2015. Allowing for time-variable flux, this constitutes  $3.5\sigma$  evidence for neutrino emission from the direction of TXS 0506+056, independent of and prior to the 2017 flaring episode. This suggests that blazars are the first identifiable sources of the high-energy astrophysical neutrino flux.

### IC170922A / TXS 0506+56

First evidence for a neutrino point source

#### **Archival search**

- Check historical IceCube data for pileup of neutrinos from direction of TXS 0506+56
- Look for clustering in time





Inconsistent with background-only hypothesis at the 3.5 o level

Independent of the 2017 alert when looking in this specific direction!

# Studies of *PARTICLE PHYSICS* with very high energy Neutrinos

PeV Very High Energy  $10^6 \text{ GeV}$ Very Long Path-length  $\sim \text{Gpc}$ (extragalactic)  $10^{27}$  cm

# Very large (astrophysical) uncertainties about source spectra

### Oscillations of Astrophysical Neutrinos

Expected flavor composition  
[Standard mechanism of production]
$$u_e \simeq 
u_\mu \simeq 
u_ au$$

Oscillation lengths:

$$L_{\rm osc}^{(12)} \simeq 108 \left(\frac{L}{10^{20} \text{ eV}}\right) \text{ pc}$$
  
 $L_{\rm osc}^{(23)} \simeq L_{\rm osc}^{(13)} \simeq 3.2 \left(\frac{E}{10^{20} \text{ eV}}\right) \text{ pc}$ 

(E)

short for astrophysical distances

$$P_{\nu_{\alpha} \to \nu_{\beta}}(E_{\nu}, L) = \left| \sum_{j} U_{\beta j} U_{\alpha j}^{*} e^{-im_{j}^{2} \frac{L}{2E_{\nu}}} \right|^{2}$$

$$= \sum_{j=1,3} |U_{\beta j}|^{2} |U_{\alpha j}|^{2}$$

$$+ \sum_{j < k} 2 \operatorname{Re}[U_{\beta j} U_{\beta k}^{*} U_{\alpha j}^{*} U_{\alpha k}] \cos\left(\frac{\Delta m_{jk}^{2} L}{2E}\right)$$

$$+ \sum_{j < k} 2 \operatorname{Im}[U_{\beta j} U_{\beta k}^{*} U_{\alpha j}^{*} U_{\alpha k}] \sin\left(\frac{\Delta m_{jk}^{2} L}{2E}\right)$$

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

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

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

$$\theta_{13} \simeq 0$$
  
$$\theta_{23} \simeq 45^{\circ}$$
  
$$v = \cos^2 \theta_{12} \sin^2 \theta_{12} \simeq 0.2$$

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



#### Measure Cross section







# New Physics $\propto k \ E^n \ L$

#### Study very favorable with Astrophysical Neutrinos



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# COSMIC RAYS

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

Measurement at single point, and (effectively) single time. [slow time variations, geological record carries some information]



## Extragalactic contribution

LARGE MAGELLANIC CLOUD



SMALL MAGELLANIC CLOUD

"Bubble" of cosmic rays generated in the Milky Way and contained by the Galaxy magnetic field

MILKY WAY

Space extension and properties of this "CR bubble" remain very uncertain









angle averaged diffuse Galactic gamma ray flux (Fermi)



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

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

$$pp \rightarrow \overline{p} + \dots$$

$$pp \rightarrow \pi^{+} + \dots$$

$$\downarrow \mu^{+} + \nu_{\mu}$$

$$\downarrow e^{+} + \nu_{e} + \overline{\nu}_{\mu}$$
Dominant mechanism for the generation of high energy gamma rays
$$pp \rightarrow \pi^{\circ} + \dots$$

intimately connected

Hadronic Interactions

### "The Dark Side" of the Standard Model

# Fundamental QCD Lagrangian density (in terms of quarks and gluon fields)

$$\mathcal{L} = -\frac{1}{4} \sum_{A=1}^{8} F^{A\mu\nu} F^{A}_{\mu\nu} + \sum_{i=1}^{n_f} \bar{q}_j (iD\!\!/ - m_j) q_j$$
$$D_\mu = \partial_\mu - ie_s \sum_A t^A g^A_\mu$$

#### Multi-particle production





Study of Ultra High Energy Cosmic Rays (interpretation of the observations of Cosmic Ray showers in the atmosphere)

requires an *extrapolation of LHC data* 

laboratory energy (proton primary) c.m. energy (nucleon-nucleon collisions)

$$E \gtrsim 10^{17} \text{ eV}$$

 $\sqrt{s} \gtrsim 13.7 \text{ TeV}$ 

 $E = 10^{20} \text{ eV}$ 

 $\sqrt{s} \simeq 433 \text{ TeV}$ 

Precise description of *interactions at lower energy* is also essential to correctly describe very high energy showers



#### The energy spectrum





### $E \simeq 10^{20} \text{ eV}$



# Auger Observation of the Maximum of the shower development





#### The "Muon problem" in Ultra High Energy Cosmic Rays



## The future

This line of research

[the study of the "High Energy Universe" with multi-messengers (CR, gamma, neutrinos, GW) observations]

has great interest, great potential and should be pursued energetically by the INFN (and more in general by the community of particle physicists). This is a field that has been "dominated by the observers"

Cosmic Rays

Pulsars

Quasars

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Jets of Active Galactic Nuclei

Gamma Ray Bursts

Large mass Black Hole mergers

just to list the "big surprises"

(and there are many "small" ones)

there is no reason to think the "surprises" are finished

Theorists and "modelers" have always had several steps behind trying to "catch up" with the new results It is obviously essential to construct a plan of future observations, and this is not easy because of the "complexity" (multi-component based) of the field.

Gamma Observations [MeV, GeV, TeV, PeV, ...]

Neutrino Observations [Solar, SN, TeV, PeV, EeV]

Cosmic Rays [GeV, TeV, PeV, EeV]

Gravitational Waves

4 messengers, and also a very broad energy range

that can only be covered using different techniques and different detectors

Choosing priorities is obviously necessary but not easy (and several considerations play a role).

Here I have avoided discussing the question of selecting "priorities" for future projects.

One comment is that [in my opinion] the are *important scientific goals* and *valid motivations* for future observations *for all four messengers* 

Because of the nature of these studies, (and the potential for surprises)

It is desirable to construct a "broad" program that covers all four messengers, and different experiments

#### Motivations for this line of research

- 1. Understanding the nature, the structure and the properties of the astrophysical accelerators
- 2. Use these astrophysical objects/transients as "laboratories" to test fundamental laws
- 3. Study the propagation of the messengers  $\nu \gamma$  across astrophysical distances [Galactic,extragalactic] to perform fundamental physics tests.
- 4. Dark Matter studies
- 5. Cosmology studies

Is this "just astrophysics ? I I think it is an important task for "fundamental physics

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5. Cosmology studies	construct an harmonious program that combine future accelerators and
	multi-messenger astrophysics