HE AND VHE GAMMA-RAY OBSERVATIONS IN THE MULTI-WAVELENGTH AND MULTI-MESSENGER CONTEXT



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 - Loudness in radio band → production of collimated jets (several kpc)
 - Jets are the only components of AGN able to produce VHE emission
 - Blazars: close alignment between jets and line of sight



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We learn something different from each component!

Synergy between instruments and community is crucial!

Markarian 421

Discovered in 1992

HBL

z=0.031

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VHE GAMMA-RAY DETECTION: CHERENKOV TELESCOPES



- System of stereo telescopes to detect VHE gamma rays thanks to their interaction with the atmosphere
- Image reconstruction → nature of primary, energy and direction
- From tens of GeV to tens of TeV
- 3 instruments (at the moment):
 - MAGIC, H.E.S.S. and VERITAS

• Future: CTA

TXS 1515-273 X-RAY VARIABILITY

TXS 1515-273 HBL z=0.1281 Discovered in 2019



• MWL light curve of BL Lac object TXS 1515-273 during observational campaign in 2019

Rapid variability in the X-rays



TXS 1515-273 SED MODELING



- SED modelling with leptonic models
- Parameters constrained from different observations
- Synchrotron emission + IC on same electron population → Synchrotron Self Compton

Hadronic models?

Blazars are proposed as UHECR accelerators

A MULTI-MESSENGER CASE: TXS 0506+056

- TXS 0506 is a bright gamma-ray emitting blazar
- Special interest for the hadronic scenario
- September 22, 2017: neutrino with E = 290 TeV detected by IC in
 - AMON_ICECUBE_EHE alert 50579430 distributed via AMON & GCN after 43s
 - Multiple observatories pointed at its location after the IC trigger
 - Spatial and temporal coincidence with enhanced gamma emission
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NEUTRINOS FROM TXS 0506+056 (ICECUBE)

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Sept. 22, 2017: A neutrino in coincidence with a blazar flare



- Electromagnetic follow-up campaign of the event IceCube-170922A → the event came from the direction of a known AGN blazar, TXS 0506+056.
- Found to be flaring at multiple wavelengths.
- IceCube conclusion: evidence of a HE ν from a blazar

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HADRONIC MODELS AND NEUTRINO PRODUCTION IN AGNS



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KM3NeT online alert system



MULTI-MESSENGER DOESN'T GO ON HOLIDAY!

- 17 August 2017: Fermi-GBM detects GRB170817A at 12:41:06 UTC
- GCN is issued at 12:41:20 UTC
- 6 minutes later a GW is detected, consistent with a BNS merger at 12:41:04 UTC, less than 2s BEFORE the GRB.
- 70 observatories → extensive observing campaign in all e.m. spectrum
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Breakthrough of the Year by Science!



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P. Padovani et al., MNRAS, 480 (2018) 192



- A further analysis of archival IceCube data revealed that this blazar was emitting neutrinos before
- Excess of 13±5 events found in 2014-2015 data
- During this period, there was no significant EM flaring activity

 IceCube conclusion: Compelling evidence of a HE v from a blazar



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THE MULTI MESSENGER

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A NEW WINDOW INTO THE UNIVERSE



THE BEGINNING OF THE GW ERA!



THE EM FOLLOW-UP OF GW150914

- No coincident triggers from space-based observatories \rightarrow Offline searches
- Follow-up observations reported by 25 teams via private GCN circulars: <u>NO counterpart detected!</u>

Initial GW Burst Recovery		Initial GCN Circular			Updated (identified a	d GCN Circular as BBH candidate)	Final sky map
Fermi GBM, LAT IPN, INTEGRAL (r, MAXI, (archival)	Swift XRT	Swift XRT				Fermi LAT, MAXI
BOOTES-3	MASTER	Swift UVOT, Sky Pan-STARRS1, KWFC	Mapper, MA C, QUEST, I	STER, TOROS, DECam, LT, P20	TAROT, VST, 00, Pi of the Sk VISTA	iPTF, Keck , Pan-STARRS 9, PESSTO , UH VS ⁷	T TOROS
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- Event nature (BBH merger) → Little expectation of a detectable EM signature
- But: <u>Milestone achieved</u>! First broadband EM counterpart search campaign!
 - Proving broad capabilities of the transient astronomy community and their observing strategies







THE ADVANCED PARTICLE-ASTROPHYSICS TELESCOPE (APT) – ASTRO2020

- The APT detector design (3m x 3m x 2.5m):
 - mission concept for a space-based gamma-ray and cosmic-ray explorer
 - 20 layers of 5mm thick CsI(Na) with crossed wavelength shifting fiber (WLS fiber) readout
 - 20 x y scintillating optical fiber tracker (SOFT) layers using interleaved 1.5mm round scintillating fibers
 - With the addition of foam radiators, the Csl detectors could detect the transition radiation X-rays from very-high-energy light cosmic rays
 - Top-bottom symmetry doubles FoV (in L2 orbit)
 - Read out on the sides with SiPM photodetectors and analog-pipeline waveform digitizers









- MeV-GeV satellite
- ASTROGAM:
 - nearly 56 m² of double-sided Si strip detectors (DSSDs)
 - 4 towers, 56 layers of 5×5 DSSDs
 - 5600 DSSDs
 - Each DSSD wafer has a cross section of 9.5×9.5 cm², a thickness of 500 µm and a pitch of 240 µm (384 strips per side)
 - Strips of the DSSDs are wire-bonded to form 5×5 2-D ladders
- AMEGO
 - 4 towers, 60 layers of 4×4 DSSDs
 - 4800 DSSDs
 - DSSD wafers 9.5 cm wide, 500 µm thick and pitch of 500 µm (190 strips per side)
 - Strips of the DSSDs are wire-bonded to form 4×4 2-D ladders







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New telescopes in water:

KM3NeT

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- **Rapid deployment** - Multiple strings/sea campaign
- Autonomous/ROV unfurling
- Reusable

Detection Unit (DU)

Low-drag design

700 or 200

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- DAL LING



Digital Optical Module (DOM)

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Multi-PMT: 31 x 3" PMTs

D.H.ITL.

TTT (CA)

- 18 DOMs

- Gbit/s on optical fiber -
- Positioning & timing

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Current IACT facilities

Energy range: from tens of GeV to tens of TeV, overlapping with satellites

Arizona – 1270 m asl 4 x 12 m Ø Since 2007

VERITAS



MAGIC La Palma – 2200 m asl 2 x 17 m Ø Since 2003 (1), 2009 (2)



H.E.S.S. Namibia – 1800 m asl 4 x 12 m Ø + 1 x 28 m Ø Since 2003 (4), 2012 (5)





Cherenkov Telescope Array

- about100 telescopes
- increased detection area
- improved sensitivity
- 3 telescope sizes.



HADRONIC MODELS

- Proton blazar model
- Low energy emission from synchrotron radiation from electrons
- High energy emission from interaction between energetic protons in the jet (production of e+/e-, pions)
- Production of gamma rays at higher energies w.r.t. leptonic processes, but more extreme conditions (strong B)
- These processes are slower \rightarrow difficult to explain fast variability
- Also it is difficult to explain the correlation between X-rays and gamma rays
- → lepto/hadronic models: hadronic emission responsible for luminosity, leptonic for variability

RADIO-LOUD AGN CLASSIFICATION



Obscuring Torus Rapidly variable luminosity in all energy bands, strong optical polarization and emission up to gamma-ray energies

- Radio galaxies: AGN seen from large angles. Central BH, accretion disk and BLR are hidden by the torus
- Blazars: closely aligned AGN, the jets emission hides the thermal emission from the rest of the galaxy
 - FSRQ: two bump continuum in the spectrum and strong evidence of BLR and NLR in addition to thermal component
 - BL Lacs: two bump continuum but no evidence for emission or absorption line
 - Classified in LSP, ISP and HSP according to the location of the synchrotron peak (<10¹⁴ Hz, 10¹⁴ Hz – 10¹⁵ Hz, >10¹⁵ Hz)

THE FERMI-LAT



- Tens of MeV few hundreds of GeV
- Pair-conversion telescope
- Converter-tracker
 - 16 layers of high Z material (W) → conversion or gamma rays into e-/e⁺ pair
 - Conversion layers interleaved with planes of Si strip detectors to track the trajectories
 - Two layers of Si strip \rightarrow 2D reconstruction
- Calorimeter
 - Reconstruction of the energy
 - 8 layers of CsI(TI) + photo-diodes to readout the signal
- Segmented ACD
 - Plastic scintillator to act as veto for charged particles