# The Galactic diffuse gamma-ray and neutrino emission at the PeV frontier





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#### Observation of high-energy neutrinos from the Galactic plane



- 10 years of data
- Cascade events were analyzed (lower background, better energy resolution, and lower energy threshold of cascade events compensate for their inferior angular resolution)
- Neutrino emission from GP is detected. Three models tested.

#### Is the Milky Way a "Neutrino Desert"?

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### The Milky Way revealed to be a neutrino desert by the IceCube Galactic plane observation

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"the neutrino luminosity of the Milky Way is **one-to-two orders of magnitude lower than the average of distant galaxies**. This finding implies that our Galaxy has not hosted the type of neutrino emitters that dominates the isotropic neutrino background at least in the past few tens of kiloyears."

#### ... actually, more neutrino emission than formerly expected!

Base ("pi0"/"Conventional") models VS Gamma ("KRAgamma") models





"our model also provides a different interpretation of the full-sky neutrino spectrum measured by IceCube with respect to the standard lore, since **it predicts a larger contribution of the Galactic neutrinos to the total flux**, compared to conventional models. These predictions will be **testable in the near future** by neutrino observatories such as ANTARES, KM3NeT, and **IceCube itself** via dedicated analyses that are focused on the Galactic plane"

### **DG**, D. Grasso, A. Marinelli, A. Urbano, M. Valli, ApjL, 2016

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#### A bit more about these models



- They are tuned on local CR data
- The CR density is computed everywhere *(typically with the DRAGON code)* by solving the CR transport equation



$$\nabla \cdot (\vec{J_i} - \vec{v_w} N_i) + \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \left[ p^2 D_{pp} \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \left( \frac{N_i}{p^2} \right) \right] - \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \left[ \dot{p} N_i - \frac{p}{3} \left( \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{v_w} \right) N_i \right] = Q + \sum_{i < j} \left( c \beta n_{\text{gas}} \sigma_{j \to i} + \frac{1}{\gamma \tau_{j \to i}} \right) N_j - \left( c \beta n_{\text{gas}} \sigma_i + \frac{1}{\gamma \tau_i} \right) N_i$$

https://github.com/cosmicrays/DRAGON

- "Base models" -> homogeneous diffusion
- "KRAgamma models" -> CR hardening in the inner Galaxy

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- The associated radio/ gamma-ray/neutrino flux due to synchrotron, bremsstrahlung, IC scattering, pion decay is computed with HERMES and tested on all available data



#### https://github.com/cosmicrays/hermes







#### A multi-messenger analysis: Updated "Base" and "Gamma" models. Local *hadronic* data

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Fig. 5: Predicted  $\gamma$ -ray spectra for the different scenarios studied in this work and compared to Tibet AS $\gamma$  (Amenomori et al. 2021) and Fermi-LAT data in the window  $|b| < 5^{\circ}$ ,  $50^{\circ} < l <$ 200°. The experimental errorbars show the  $1\sigma$  statistical uncertainty of the measurement. Fermi-LAT systematic uncertainties dominate above ~ 200 GeV, while the systematic error associated to TIBET data in this region is estimated to be around 30% (Amenomori et al. 2009). CASA-MIA (Borione et al. 1998) upper limits in the same region are also reported.

Fig. 4: The  $\gamma$ -ray spectra computed within the conventional (base) and  $\gamma$ -optimized scenarios are compared to Tibet AS $\gamma$  (Amenomori et al. 2021) and LHAASO (Zhao et al. 2021) (preliminary) data in the window  $|b| < 5^{\circ}$ ,  $25^{\circ} < l < 100^{\circ}$ . The Galactic diffusion emission spectrum measured by Fermi-LAT and extracted as discussed in Sec. 2.2, as well as ARGO-YBJ data (Bartoli et al. 2015) in the same region, are also reported. The models account for the effect of  $\gamma$ -ray absorption onto the 10 CMB photons (see Sec. 3.2).

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- with cross section uncertainty
- official data release from LHAASO collab. (arXiv:2305.05372)

# The Gamma model is not equivalent to a *"rescaled base model"* when compared to gamma-ray data



#### A more detailed update in progress... Local *leptonic* data, 2D and 3D runs

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#### Conclusions

- "(KRA)-Gamma models" featuring a harder CR spectrum in the inner Galaxy are compatible with most multi-messenger data available
- Rescaled conventional models are compatible with neutrino data but overshoot the gamma-ray data at all energies
- The Galaxy may be a "neutrino desert", but with a "KRAgamma oasis"



### **Backup Slides**







## The GeV-TeV Gamma-ray diffuse sky: Diffuse emission components



Bremsstrahlung: radiation is emitted by a lepton passing through the electric field of a particle in the ISM (electron or nucleus). Bremsstrahlung emission - 120 GeV



$$e + N \rightarrow e^{'} + \gamma + N^{'}$$

Bremsstrahlung emission follows the ISM gas distribution

Diffuse emission totally correlated with the propagation of cosmic rays dominated by protons and He. Hadronic emission follows ISM gas distribution as well.

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$$\begin{array}{c} p+p \rightarrow \pi_0 \pi_+ \pi_- \\ \pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_\mu \\ \mu^+ \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\mu + \nu_e + e^+ \end{array}$$

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#### IC emission depends on the energy density of the ISRFs