Astrofisica Nucleare e Subnucleare TeV Astrophysics – IV

Astrofisica Nucleare e Subnucleare VHE Galactic Sources

The supernova remnant G347.3-0.5 (RX J1713.7-3946)





ROSAT (keV)

CANGAROO (TeV)





HESS – SNR in VHE gamma



Aharonian et al. 2004



Fermi LAT results on RX J1713.7-3946 (Abdo et al. 2011)



Fig. 1.— Panel (a): Map of the test statistic (TS) for a point source in the region around RX J1713.7–3946 obtained in a maximum likelihood fit accounting for the background diffuse emission and 1FGL catalog sources. Only events above 500 MeV have been used in this analysis. H.E.S.S. TeV emission contours are shown in white (Aharonian et al. 2007). Rectangles indicate the positions of 1FGL sources in our background model, Several TS peaks outside the SNR shell are visible. The 3 peaks marked by circles are added as additional sources to our background model (see text). Panel (b): Same map as panel (a), but with the 3 additional sources now considered in the background model.

Although the leptonic model is preferable, the hadronic model is not excluded because of the possible energy dependent CR penetration in to the clouds. The main problem of the hadronic model is the absence of thermal X-rays.

... but Tycho ..



SNR age



arXiv:1508.05190

The Galactic center



TeV gamma rays from GC



Sgr A

Diffuse emission

Nature, Feb. 9th 2006



Sagittarius A



TeV H.E.S.S.

Sagittarius A



TeV H.E.S.S.

Gamma ray spectrum



- Power law, index 2.3
- No significant variability
 - on year scale
 - on month scale
 - on day scale
 - on hour scale
 - on minute scale

Origin ?

- Sgr A East SNR as proton accelerator ?
- Decaying UHE neutrons ?
- Shocks in Sgr A* accretion flow or wind ?
- Curvature radiation of UHE protons near Sgr A*
- Dark matter annihilation ?
 - "Normal" SUSY neutralinos
 - Kaluza-Klein particles
 - SUSY messenger sector

Dark matter annihilation ?



The "Pevatron"



Abramovski et al. (2016)

The "Pevatron"





LHAASO Pevatrons



LHAASO Pevatrons



Crab Nebula



A (minimal) standard model: what do we expect?

Explains most of the observations, not necessarily the most interesting...



The Crab PWN



The Crab Nebula



The Crab Nebula at PeV



https://www.science.org/doi/10.1126/science.abg5137

Pulsars: GR & Electrodynamics



from J. Dyks et al.

MAGIC – the Crab PSR





Albert et al. 2008

The Crab PSR

+ The Crab still beats.







- To reach energy as low as 25 GeV special "sumtrigger" used
- In 2008, Crab pulsar detected at VHE (Science 322 (2008) 21)
- Again observed with M-stereo: publication in draft
 →see next ICRC
- Now used Fermi phaseogram rather than EGRET one
- Veritas showed here the detection above 100 GeV → see Ragan's talk

The Crab with VERITAS



The Crab with VERITAS



Crab PSR





Crab PSR



Crab PSR


Pulsar Wind Nebulae







Pulsar Wind Nebulae



PSR B1259-63

Binary system
Strong stellar wind
Shock at windpulsar interaction



PSR B1259-63



Days from the periastron

Complex structure depending on alignment of pulsar and stellar wind $_{41}$

PSR B1259-63



~ 9 σ pre-periastron ~ 6 σ post-periastron Flux ~5% Crab Index 2.8±0.3(stat)



H.E.S.S.

The B1259-63 field of view





First variable galactic TeV source

LSI 61+303 binary source



VHE Binary Sources



SS433 HAWC



SS433 HAWC







arXiv e-prints 2202.08201



arXiv e-prints 2202.07681



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Astrofisica Nucleare e Subnucleare VHE Extra Galactic Sources

The unexplored spectrum gap

- γ -ray sources observed with EGRET satellite (E < 10 GeV)
- 271 sources (171 unidentified)

Satellite effective area < 1 m^2

 Old generation ground-based experiments observe few sources with E > 300 GeV.



Strong cutoff in γ-spectrum for 30 Gev < E < 300 GeV Explore energy gap with MAGIC





Photon Propagation Effects



Gamma Ray Horizon

Any γ that crosses cosmological distances through the universe interacts with the EBL

$$\gamma_{HE} \gamma_{EBL} \rightarrow e^+ e^- \longrightarrow E \varepsilon (1 - \cos \theta) > 2 (m_e c^2)^2$$





Gamma Ray Horizon

y-rays traveling cosmological distances interact with $\gamma_{HE} \gamma_{EBL} \rightarrow e^+ e^-$ **Extragalactic Background Light (EBL)** le+05 Fazio-Stecker relation Gamma Energy [GeV] Mkn 501 Mkn501 Mkn 501 (z=0.034) Mkn421 10 old generation IACTs 10⁻¹⁰ H1426+42 10⁻¹¹ 10⁻¹² kn 501: dN [cm ⁻² s⁻¹ TeV future IAC 10⁻¹³ Redshift z 10⁻¹⁴ lower energy threshold 10⁻¹⁵ => observe more distant sources E [TeV] 1 10

- Absorption increases with energy of γ-rays
- Absorption leads to cutoff in AGN spectrum
- Measurement cutoff of several sources allows extraction of EBL

Gamma ray horizon (GRH)

Defined as the distance for which the optical depth for pair production process is τ = 1 (i.e. a reduction 1/e of the flux of the extragalactic source).



Extragalactic absorption

For the energy range of IACTs (10 GeV - 10 TeV), the interaction takes place with the infrared (0.01 eV - 3 eV , 100 μ m - 1 μ m).

Origin

- Star formation
- Radiation of stars
- Absorption and reemission by ISM

By measuring the cutoffs in the spectra of AGNs within the, MAGIC can help in determining the IR background



Extragalactic Sources

- Physics of AGN jets
- Cosmological extragalactic background light (EBL)



Active Galactic Nuclei



AGN model



γ-ray Astronomy and Cosmic Rays

Search for the sources of Cosmic Rays
Investigate acceleration mechanisms
γ-rays can be traced back to the origin

<u>Spectral Energy Distribution (SED)</u>
characteristic two-peak structure
competing leptonic and hadronic acceleration models.



Hadron acceleration

proton-proton interaction p+ (TeV) + matter $\rightarrow \pi^{\circ...} \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ (GeV)

photo-hadron interaction p+ (TeV) + γ (eV) $\rightarrow \pi^{o...} \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$ (GeV)

Electron acceleration

Synchrotron Radiation $e^- + B \rightarrow e^- + \gamma (eV-keV)$

Inverse Compton Scattering e- (GeV) + γ (eV) \rightarrow e- + γ (GeV)

IC 310



Aleksic et al 2015

IC310



Aleksic et al 2015

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Aleksic et al 2015

Previous results

The Fastest Variability Observed So Far



Assumption: Flux variation (flare) on the top of a stable emission

$b \ ({10^{-10} \ ph \over cm^2 \cdot s})$	$c \ (s)$	d (s)	$\chi^2/NDF^{\rm d}$	P^{e} (%)
13.2 ± 4.7	$\begin{array}{c} 81{\pm}41\\ 95{\pm}24 \end{array}$	$50{\pm}23$	20.0/15	17.3 ^f
20.3 ± 3.3		185 ${\pm}40$	4.2/7	75.8

- a: pedestal (not fit)
 b: amplitude of flux variation
 t_o: ~ peak position (not fit)
- c, d: flux-doubling times

Fast Blazar Variability and a Quantum Gravity Interpretation

MPI Colloquium 23 October 2007

Previous results

Results of the ECF Method

MAGIC Collab. + Ellis et al. arXiv:0708.2889, PRL subm.

$$\tau_l = (0.030 \pm 0.012) \text{ s/GeV}$$

 $\tau_q = (3.71 \pm 2.57) \times 10^{-6} \text{ s/GeV}^2$
 $M_{\text{QG1}} = 1.398 \times 10^{16} (1 \text{ s}/\tau_l)$
 $M_{\text{QG2}} = 1.182 \times 10^8 (1 \text{ s}/\tau_q)^{1/2}$

$$M_{\rm QG1} = (0.47^{+0.31}_{-0.13}) \times 10^{18} \text{ GeV}$$
 $M_{\rm QG2} = (0.61^{+0.49}_{-0.14}) \times 10^{11} \text{ GeV}$

$$M_{\rm QG1} > 0.26 \times 10^{18} {\rm ~GeV}$$
 $M_{\rm QG2} > 0.27 \times 10^{11} {\rm ~GeV}$

MPI Colloquium 23 October 2007

PKS 2155 - 304



Aharonian et al 2007

Contact with Fermi



Michele Doro - From MAGIC to MAGIC stereo - Ricap 2011

3c279



AGN

+ FSRQ PKS 1222+21 (4C21.35)

- Very good example of collaboration Fermi-IACTs (hard sources)
- Fermi Atel 2584 triggers MAGIC: 10.2 sigma detection in 0.5 h (1 Crab)
- 2nd farthest VHE source: z=0.432
- MAGIC+Fermi: can fit to single power-law
 -2.7(0.3) between 3 and 400 GeV
- No-sign of any cutoff
- Most rapid variation ever observed at VHE: Flux doubling-time 8.6min!
- Single spectrum → emission due to unique component
- No GeV cutoff → emission outside the BLR region, in the relativistic jet?
- Flux rapid variability→compact emission

CHALLENGE TO EMISSION MODELS!





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PKS 1441+25 z=0.9397



Ahnen et al 2016

Lensed Blazar

Discovery of Very High Energy Gamma-Ray Emission From Gravitationally Lensed Blazar S3 0218+357 With the MAGIC Telescopes

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The MAGIC collaboration reports the discovery of very high energy (VHE; E>100 GeV) gammaray emission from S3 0218+357 (RA=02h21m05.5s, DEC=+35d56m14s, J2000.0). The object was observed with the MAGIC telescopes for a total of 3.5 hours from 2014/07/23 to 2014/07/26. The preliminary analysis of these data resulted in the detection of S3 0218+357 with a statistical significance of more than 5 standard deviations. From the preliminary analysis, we estimate the VHE flux of this detection to be about 15% of the flux from the Crab Nebula in the energy range 100-200 GeV. S3 0218+357 is a gravitationally lensed blazar located at the redshift of 0.944+/-0.002 (Cohen et al., 2003, ApJ, 583, 67). Fermi-LAT observations during the flaring state of S3 0218+357 in 2012 revealed a series of flares with their counterparts after 11.46+/-0.16 days delay, interpreted as due to the gravitational lensing effect (Cheung et al. 2014, ApJ, 782, L14). On 2014 July 13 and 14 Fermi-LAT detected another flaring episode (ATel #6316). Due to the fullmoon time, the MAGIC telescopes were not operational and could not observe S3 0218+357 after the original alert. However, observations scheduled at the expected time of arrival of the gravitationally lensed component led to the first significant detection of a gravitationally lensed blazar and the most distant source detected at VHE with Cherenkov telescopes to date. MAGIC observations on S3 0218+357 will continue during the next days and multiwavelength observations are encouraged. The MAGIC contact persons for these observations are R. Mirzoyan (Razmik.Mirzoyan@mpp.mpg.de) and J. Sitarek (jsitarek@ifae.es). MAGIC is a system of two 17m-diameter Imaging Atmospheric Cherenkov Telescopes located at the Canary island of La Palma, Spain, and designed to perform gamma-ray astrophysics in the energy range from 50 GeV to greater than 50 TeV.

Lensed Blazar



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Lensed Blazar



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MAGIC – EBL measurements



Albert et al. 2008

EBL measurements

+ Gamma-ray horizon



- VHE gamma-ray interacting with UV and far-IR photons, may pair produce:
 - Optical depth τ=τ(E,z)
- Distant AGNs are optimal targets (if distance is known):
 - 3C279 (z=0.536)
 - 3C66A (z=0.444?)
 - PG1553+113 (z=0.4)
 - S5 0716+714 (z=0.310?)
 -
- Absorption above 100 GeV makes observed spectrum:
 - Softer (steeper)
 - Difficult to observe
- IACT observation already constrained models to their minimum allowance (universe is more transparent)
- Distant AGNs are monitored by M-stereo (PG1553, 3C279)

EBL measurements



Photon – Axion Oscillation

Axion Like Particle (ALP)

One intriguing possibility that have been recently proposed (DeAngelis-Mansutti-Roncadelli, 2007; DeAngelis-Mansutti-Persic-Roncadelli, 2008) is that conversion of γ 's into axions into the random extragalactic magnetic fields give rise to a sort of cosmic *light-shining through wall* effect.

Axions have been introduced by Peccei & Quinn to solve the strong CP problem. Axion like particles with ayy coupling are predicted in many extensions of the Standard Model. Pseudoscalar axions couple with the EM field through the effective Lagrangian

$$\mathcal{L}_{a\gamma} = -\frac{1}{4}g_{a\gamma}F_{\mu\nu}\tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}a$$

Photons propagating in an external magnetic field can undergo to photon-axion oscillations



Photon – Axion Oscillation

Realistic transfer function



For $z \le 0.2$ the inclusion of the ALPs does not produce any significant change in the photon transfer function. Thus, it would be difficult to interpret in terms of ALP conversions the presumed transparency to gamma radiations for the sources at z = 0.165 and z = 0.186.

Conversely, ALP conversions could play a significant role for the source 3C279 at redshift z = 0.54

GRB repoint



Current satellites giving alerts in short time: *FERMI*, *INTEGRAL*, *SWIFT*

Delays of alerts from less than 10s to some minutes

Very fast repositioning capabilities are therefore requested:

10 to 20 seconds!



MAGIC-I upper limits





GRB 130427A





in today poster session (Ackermann et al., Science, Vol. 343 no. 6166 pp. 42-47)

GRB VHE emission. Single photons matter



Ackermann et al. 2014

VERITAS upper limits



GRB 130427A

Aliu et al. 2014



First time detection of a GRB at sub-TeV energies; MAGIC detects the GRB 190114C

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The MAGIC telescopes performed a rapid follow-up observation of GRB 190114C (Gropp et al., GCN 23688; Tyurina et al., GCN 23690, de Ugarte Postigo et al., GCN 23692, Lipunov et al. GCN 23693, Selsing et al. GCN 23695). This observation was triggered by the Swift-BAT alert; we started observing at about 50s after Swift T0: 20:57:03.19. The MAGIC real-time analysis shows a significance >20 sigma in the first 20 min of observations (starting at T0+50s) for energies >300GeV. The relatively high detection threshold is due to the large zenith angle of observations (>60 degrees) and the presence of partial Moon. Given the brightness of the event, MAGIC will continue the observation of GRB 190114C until it is observable tonight and also in the next days. We strongly encourage follow-up observations by other instruments. The MAGIC contact persons for these observations are R. Mirzoyan (Razmik.Mirzoyan@mpp.mpg.de) and K. Noda (nodak@icrr.u-tokyo.ac.jp). MAGIC is a system of two 17m-diameter Imaging Atmospheric Cherenkov Telescopes located at the Observatory Roque de los Muchachos on the Canary island La Palma, Spain, and designed to perform gamma-ray astronomy in the energy range from 50 GeV to greater than 50 TeV.





The Synchrotron Cutoff

Maximum synchrotron frequency for shockaccelerated particles @

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Abstract

It is widely believed that the maximum energy of synchrotron photons when electrons are accelerated in shocks via the Fermi process is about 50 MeV (in plasma comoving frame). We show that under certain conditions, which are expected to be realized in relativistic shocks of gamma-ray bursts, synchrotron photons of energy much larger than 50 MeV (comoving frame) can be produced. The requirement is that magnetic field should decay downstream of the shock front on a length-scale that is small compared with the distance travelled by the highest energy electrons before they lose half their energy; photons of energy much larger than 50 MeV are produced close to the shock front, whereas the highest Lorentz factor that electrons can attain is controlled by the much weaker field that occupies most of the volume of the shocked plasma.





HESS detection



GRB 180720B

Adballa et al 2019

HESS detection



MAGIC & HESS detection



Zhang B., Nature News & Views (20/11/2019)

TITLE: GCN CIRCULAR NUMBER: 25566 SUBJECT: GRB190829A: Detection of VHE gamma-ray emission with H.E.S.S. DATE: 19/08/30 07:08:37 GMT FROM: Fabian Schussler at CEA <fabian.schussler@cea.fr>

M. de Naurois on behalf of the H.E.S.S. collaboration

The H.E.S.S. array of imaging atmospheric Cherenkov telescopes was used to carry out follow-up observations of the afterglow of GRB 190829A (Dichiara et al., GCN 25552). At a redshift of z = 0.0785 + 0.005 (A.F. Valeev et al., GCN 25565) this is one of the nearest GRBs detected to date. H.E.S.S. Observations started July 30 at 00:16 UTC (i.e. T0 + 4h20), lasted until 3h50 UTC and were taken under good conditions. A preliminary onsite analysis of the obtained data shows a >5sigma gamma-ray excess compatible with the direction of GRB190829A. Further analyses of the data are on-going and further H.E.S.S. observations are planned. We strongly encourage follow-up at all wavelengths.

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, France, Germany, Ireland, Japan, the Netherlands, Poland, South Africa, Sweden, UK, and the host country, Namibia.

For more details see https://www.mpi-hd.mpg.de/hfm/HESS/

https://gcn.gsfc.nasa.gov/gcn3/25566.gcn3







Astrofisica Nucleare e Subnucleare Future detectors



New Cherenkov telescopes

HUNT FOR LOWEST THRESHOLD: BIGGER TELESCOPES?





New Cherenkov telescopes



ISDC INTEGRAL Planck Gaia FACT ASTRO-H POLAR CTA LOFT SAFARI JEM-EUSO ATHENA CAP HEAVENS

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The First G-APD Cherenkov Telescope

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The **F**irst G-APD **C**herenkov **T**elescope (FACT) is the first imaging atmospheric Cherenkov telescope using Geiger-mode avalanche photodiods (G-APDs) as photo sensors. The rather small, low-cost telescope will not only serve as a test bench for this technology in Cherenkov astronomy, but also monitor bright active galactic nuclei (AGN) in the TeV energy range.

http://isdc.unige.ch/fact/

Outlook: What next ?























aims to explore the sky in the 10 GeV to 100 TeV energy range

builds on demonstrated technologies

The Cherenkov Telescope Array

(CTA)

- combines guaranteed science with significant discovery potential
- is a cornerstone towards a multi-messenger exploration of the nonthermal universe
CTA



Improve sensitivity



- CTA will be about a factor of 10 more sensitive than any existing instrument in the 100 GeV-10 TeV energy band.
- CTA will also extend the observed energy band reaching both the lower (10 GeV) and the higher (100 TeV) energies.

CTA



CTA concept

- Few Large Size Telescopes should catch the sub-100 GeV photons
 - Large reflective area
 - Parabolic profiles to maintain time-stamp
 - Contained FOV
- Several Medium Size Telescopes perform 100 GeV-50 TeV observation
- well-proven techniques (HESS, MAGIC)
- goal is to reduce costs and maintenance
- core of the array
- act as VETO for LSTs
- Several Small Size Telescopes perform ultra-50 TeV observation
- challenging design
- Large field-of-view (8°)
- New camera technology

CTA



