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cosmic-ray energy spectrum













cosmic-ray's journey

accelerator

interstellar medium magnetic fields





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Earth's atmosphere dynamic target

nuclear & hadronic First interaction (usually several x 10 km high) Evolving atmospheric interactions begin. Most are either stopped, or decay. Some particles reach the ground Low frequency adio emission Measurement of low energy muons with scintillation or tracking detectors Measurement of high energy muons deep underground









Anisotropy observations

Dipole and medium-scale anisotropy

• How do we make observations useful?

Need for multi-experiment observations



summary









Tibet-AS γ

ARGO-YBJ

LHAASO

Super-K

GRAPES-3

IceCube-Gen2







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how to measure anisotropy

Build a binned data map using the equatorial coordinates of the events

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi, t) \to (\alpha, \delta) \quad (\theta, \phi, t') \to (\alpha', \delta') \\ \lambda = \frac{\mathscr{L}(n \mid I, \mathcal{N}, \mathcal{A})}{\mathscr{L}(n \mid I^{(0)}, \mathcal{N}^{(0)}, \mathcal{A}^{(0)})} \end{aligned}$$

$$\delta I(\alpha, \delta)_i = \frac{N(\alpha, \delta)_i - \langle N \rangle}{\langle N \rangle(\alpha, \delta)}$$

$$s_{i} = \sqrt{2} \left\{ N_{i} \log \left[\frac{1+\alpha}{\alpha} \left(\frac{N_{i}}{N_{i}+N_{0}} \right) \right] + N_{0} \log \left[(1+\alpha) \left(\frac{N_{0}}{N_{i}+N_{0}} \right) \right] \right\}$$

Li and Ma (1993)









consequences of measuring anisotropy

 $\delta I(\alpha, \delta)_i$



relative intensity



significance





- The data-driven detection acceptance estimation "scrambles the event's R.A. but
- not its declination, while keeping the events' local coordinates constant."
- This makes the relative intensity average on R.A. equal to zero

measurement methods eliminate the vertical component of the dipole

equatorial component of the dipole

























Energy ~ 100-1000 TeV





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Energy ~ 1-10 PeV







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breaking down anisotropy angular power spectrum

 Y_{11} Y_{2-2} Y_{I-I}

decomposing the relative intensity sky map in Spherical Harmonics functions

$$\delta I(\alpha, \delta)_{i} = \sum_{\ell=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\ell}^{\ell} a_{\ell m} Y_{\ell m}(\alpha, \delta)_{i}$$











the dipole component



decomposing the relative intensity sky map in Spherical Harmonics functions

$$\delta I(\alpha, \delta)_{i} = \sum_{\ell=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\ell}^{\ell} a_{\ell m} Y_{\ell m}(\alpha, \delta)_{i}$$















arge & small scale anisotropy



 $\delta I(\alpha,\delta)_i = \sum \sum a_{\ell m} Y_{\ell m}(\alpha,\delta)_i$ $\ell = 1 m = -\ell$

map in Spherical Harmonics functions













large & small scale anisotropy



 $\delta I(\alpha,\delta)_i = \sum \sum a_{\ell m} Y_{\ell m}(\alpha,\delta)_i$ $\ell = 1 m = -\ell$

map in Spherical Harmonics functions













interstellar magnetic fields





Column density derived from submillimeter emission observed for a region in the Orion A molecular cloud using the Herschel Space Observatory overlaid with plane-of-sky magnetic field topology using the Planck 353 GHz polarization observations.



coherent structures



Soler (2019)









Farrar (2024)

regular

coherent structures

on (2014)



regular magnetic field Guiding Magnetic charged plasma field line particle

pitch angle **scattering**, 10 coherent structures time variations intermittent fields

anomalous diffusion

field line **random walk**

superdiffusion

Lazarian & Vishniac (1999)



cosmic-ray propagation





dipole anisotropy component





Cosmic ray propagation in magnetic turbulence is described as spatial diffusion, leading to a small dipole anisotropy.







Impossible to infer information on the global distribution of cosmic-ray sources in the Milky Way.

We may observe just a random instantiation of galactic contribution.

Local sources scenario may explain observations as a manifestation of our position in the Milky Way.





dipole anisotropy component a local source



reconstructed δ_{0h}^{\star} [10⁻³]





Ahlers (2016)

Vela SNR as candidate of the local CR source responsible for the dipole anisotropy at 1–100 TeV.







medium/small-scale anisotropy fingerprint of local turbulence





Long-baseline numerical calculation in compressible MHD turbulence (Cho & Lazarian, 2002)

saturation at the mean free path distance scale

magnetic turbulence and transition from diffusive to ballistic

"the existence of a global CR dipole moment necessarily generates a **spectrum of higher** multipole moments in the local CR distribution."

> dipole energy dissipated to small angular scales



López Barquero, PD+ (2016)

injected dipole breaks down to small-scale anisotropy



long-baseline numerical calculation in synthetic turbulence

small-scale anisotropy as turbulence fingerprint

"The formation of the large-scale anisotropy is closely related to the surrounding magnetic field environment, in particular to the shape of the local magnetic flux tube containing the observer"

our magnetic backyard influence of the heliosphere





solving plasma MHD equations coupled with kinetic transport of neutral atoms

A dipole distribution injected in the ISM produces a complex anisotropy on Earth

laminar model of heliosphere global properties of TeV CR propagation

TeV cosmic rays are affected by the heliospheric magnetic bubble

> Lazarian & PD (2010) PD & Lazarian (2012)



numerical model of solar wind interacting with ISM



our magnetic backyard influence of the heliosphere

Tibet-AS γ relative intensity sky map from the at **(A)** Amenomori+ (2006)

(B) numerically computed trajectory distribution at Erth after fit to Tibet-AS γ data

inferred large-scale anisotropy in the ISM **(C)** without heliospheric influence





4 TeV energy









how to make observations useful?

are anisotropy measurements good enough?

- what about
- experimental biases instrumental resolutions
 - we need

multi-experiment observations theorists - experimentalists collaboration



limited field of view iterative maximum likelihood method



attenuation of large-scale structures exceeding

the size of the instantaneous field of view

when smaller than 24hr integrated field of view











limited field of view correlation between multipole modes

let's inject a tilted dipole anisotropy

this is the dipole seen on northern hemisphere





this is the dipole seen on southern hemisphere

dipole

dipole

this is the reconstructed dipole on northern hemisphere

equatorial component

Equatorial

this is the reconstructed dipole on southern hemisphere

equatorial component

~quadrupole

limited field of view correlation between multipole modes

Multipole components are subject to correlations caused by **partial sky coverage** since there is a degeneracy between different ℓ -modes.

A pure dipole can result in an artificial quadrupole due to partial sky coverage.

limited field of view full-sky observations mitigate FOV bias

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loss of large-scale power leads to erroneous physical interpretations

Full sky measurements are the only way to recover the real anisotropy

response function resolutions and uniformities

uniform energy response function across the sky

otherwise results show **mixed anisotropy** structures from different energies at various declination bands

finite energy resolution overlap between energy

observed cosmic rays have mixed mass **composition:** it's not only protons

different experiments have different mass sensitivities

dipole component results from the combined mixed composition anisotropies which depends on energy

does anisotropy scale with rigidity, or does each species have its peculiar anisotropy?

mass composition and rigidity scaling

Promote inter-experiment collaborations: not just stitching maps

Encourage collaborations with theorists/modelers

- how to understand and correctly use the observations
- how to prepare observations for the most appropriate model com.

- Understand the role of the heliosphere < 100s TV</p>
 - develop models for interpreting cosmic rays

concusions

谢谢 Thank you

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additional slides

cosmic-ray anisotropy

FIG.2. Percentage variation in intensity of the cosmic rays with sidereal time. Curve, predicted effect due to galactic rotation. Data, Hess and Steinmaurer; open circles, half-hour means; solid circle, 3-hour means.

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Anisotropy and Corotation of Galactic Cosmic Rays

What does it take to provide interpretations that are as unbiased as possible?

IceCube-Gen2

tech design report

Figure 27: Sensitivity of cosmic-ray anisotropy measurements with IceCube-Gen2 with 10 years worth of data. The expected three and five sigma sensitivities to the equatorial plane component of the dipole anisotropy are shown. IceCube-Gen2 will be far the most sensitive detector for the PeV energy range, extending IceCube's energy range of anisotropies by more than an order of magnitude in energy. In particular, statistically nonsignificant measurements of the dipole amplitude by KASCADE-Grande [327], if true, can be confirmed at five sigma level. Note that KASCADE-Grande and Auger [328] results are shown with measurements (full symbols) and 90% CL upper limits (empty symbols) [327-341].

where we are now

Simulated dipole reconstructed with LLH method

Vertical dipole component cannot be measured (when using data-driven reference map estimation) **Iterative LLH method compensates for the limited field of view** (light to dark red) Geometric correction needed due to limited sky coverage

measuring the dipole component

relative intensity expanded in

spherical harmonic functions

with partial sky coverage the $Y_{\ell m}$ are correlated except for the $m = \ell$ terms

we use these functions for a **2D** fit of sky maps

to be compared with the *standard* **ID** dipole fits

 $\delta I(\mathbf{u}_i) = \sum \sum a_{\ell m} Y_{\ell m}(\mathbf{u}_i)$ $\ell = 1 m = -\ell$

$$F(\alpha_i, \delta_i) = \sum_{\substack{n=m=\ell=1}}^{3} A_n \cos^n(\delta_i) \cos(n\alpha_i + \phi)$$

$$\tilde{F}(\alpha_i) = \frac{1}{\sin \delta_{\max} - \sin \delta_{\min}} \int_{\delta_{\min}}^{\delta_{\max}} F(\alpha_i, \delta) \cos \delta$$
$$= \sum_{n=1}^{3} \tilde{A}_n \cos(n\alpha_i + \tilde{\phi}_n)$$

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for the dipole component this 1D function is

with **geometric correction factor** equal to

that depends on experiment's field of view in Dec.

measuring the dipole component

$$\begin{split} \tilde{F}(\alpha_i) &= \frac{A_1}{\sin \delta_{\max} - \sin \delta_{\min}} \int_{\delta_1}^{\delta_2} \cos^2 \delta \cos \left(\alpha_i + \phi_1\right) d\delta \\ &= \frac{\delta_{\min} - \delta_{\max} + \cos \delta_{\min} \sin \delta_{\min} - \cos \delta_{\max} \sin \delta_{\max}}{2(\sin \delta_{\min} - \sin \delta_{\max})} A_1 \cos \left(\alpha_i + \tilde{\phi}_1\right) \end{split}$$

$$A_{1}^{\dagger} \equiv \frac{2(\sin \delta_{\min} - \sin \delta_{\max})}{\delta_{\min} - \delta_{\max} + \cos \delta_{\min} \sin \delta_{\min} - \cos \delta_{\max} \sin \delta_{\max}}$$

dipole anisotropy component a local source

90°

K-Grande (limit) (x1.3) Super-K (x1.2 LHAASO (x1.2 lceTop (x1.7) 🄶 Baksan 🛉 Milagro (x1.2) ★ HAWC+IceCube EAS-TOP (x1.4) ARGO-YBJ (x1.2) IceCube (limit) (this work) 0 🖊 HAWC MACRO Tibet-ASγ (x1.2) 🔶 IceCube (this work) K-Grande (not sig.) (x1.3) 310 Galactic Center 260 -210 equatorial component of the dipole 10² - 10^{1} ----- 10^{1} 10' Primary Energy [GeV]

anisotropic diffusion

diffusion coefficient lower in inner halo

Geminga

 \mathbf{A}_1

 sr^{-1}

 $^{-1}$

 $E^{2.6}\Phi(E)$ [GeV^{1.6} m⁻²

local source to determine **spectral anomaly** and counterbalance galactic anisotropy below 100 TeV energy scale

a local source

medium/small-scale anisotropy fingerprint of local turbulence

long-baseline numerical calculation in synthetic turbulence

angular power spectrum from "correlations of particles experiencing the same turbulent magnetic field."

> "With the idea that particle distributional fluctuations can be related to fluid local nonuniformity, we have demonstrated that turbulent convection may give rise to remarkable small-scale anisotropies of the distribution."

uniform plasma convection gives rise to the Compton-Getting effect

turbulent plasma convection generates perturbations at various angular scales

<u>ApJ 981 182 (2025)</u>

medium-scale anisotropy fingerprint of local turbulence

propagation effects on anisotropic spectrum of Goldreich-Sridhar type Alfvén waves

isotropic distribution of fast magnetosonic modes with a power spectrum compatible with Cho & Lazarian (2002)

isotropic diffusion (in QLT) generates a dipole anisotropy and cannot explain observations

our magnetic backyard influence of the heliosphere

forward propagation injection @ 6000 AU - target @ 200 AU

takes into account pitch-angle ranges with trajectories **bouncing back** into space

uniform pitch-angle distribution redistributed into different angular components

particles injected in the region **upstream of the ISM flow** back-scatter into the **downstream** region due to the *heliospheric magnetic bubble*

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our magnetic backyard influence of the heliosphere

Fig. 2. TeV cosmic-ray anisotropies compared with predictions. Comparison between observed (left) and modeled (right) cosmic-ray relative intensities across the sky (J2000 coordinates). Black curves show the magnetic equator with a magnetic field direction derived from the center of the IBEX ribbon. On the left, the region below 25°S latitude is the anisotropy map from IceCube with a median energy of 20 TeV (18) and above 20°S latitude is the anisotropy map from ASγ with 5-TeV median energy (15). Similarly, the modeled map (right) at 20 TeV is shown below 25°S latitude and at 5 TeV above 20°S latitude. Both portions of the maps are smoothed over 3° to 5°. Labels indicate upwind and downwind directions (2), the current locations of Voyager 1 (V1), and Voyager 2 (V2) directions, and the "upfield" and "downfield" directions. Downfield is along the LISM magnetic field determined by IBEX in the direction closest to the interstellar velocity, and upfield is in the opposite direction. Plots are in equatorial coordinates with 0 hours at the right and increasing longitudes toward the left.

Schwadron, PD+ (2014)

Imited field of view

Imited field of view

time variations?

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NOT calendar years

AMANDA - 2000

AMANDA - 2004

Study of the time-dependence of the cosmic-ray anisotropy with AMANDA and IceCube

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local interstellar magnetic field

Abeysekara et al., ApJ (2019) 871 96

Figure 12. χ^2 distribution map for circular fit to boundary between large-scale excess and deficit regions shown in J2000 equatorial coordinates. The black point corresponds to the minimum χ^2 for the center of the circle and the black curve is the fitted circle. The grey points are the selected pixels for the fit. The best fit has a value of $\chi^2/\text{ndof} = 585/579$.

Local Interstellar Magnetic Field

Figure 13. Circular fit to boundary between large-scale excess and deficit regions shown in J2000 equatorial coordinates along with published magnetic field measurements by Funsten et al. (2013) inferred from the emission of energetic neutral atoms (ENA) originating from the outer heliosphere by the Interstellar Boundary Explorer (IBEX) (Zirnstein et al. 2016), and Frisch et al. (2015) obtained from the polarization of stars within 40 pc.

Heliospheric model by Borovikov, Heerikhuisen, Pogorelov, 2015

draping of interstellar magnetic field magnetic mirror

10 TV particles can be trapped

residence time can reach ~20 years

strong heliospheric influence

cosmic rays distribution re-shaped when passing through the heliosphere

Díaz Vélez & PD

Borovikov, Heerikhuisen, Pogorelov, 2015

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The heliosphere

backward propagation assume dipole pitch-angle distribution in the ISM (isotropic diffusion)

strong heliospheric influence

observed distribution compatible with mostly dipolar CR density gradient in the ISM isotropic pitch-angle diffusion

different distribution than the ISM

The heliosphere

backward propagation assume dipole pitch-angle distribution in the ISM (isotropic diffusion)

no heliospheric influence

pitch-angle distribution in the ISM cannot be the same as that at 10 TV

pristine distribution from the ISM

future experiment IceCube-Gen2

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