Neutrino astronomy

and atmospheric neutrinos

Present detectors



ANTARES has now run for 10 years. See presentation of Antoine Kouchner this session.





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Astrophysical neutrinos



IceCube *4 year* HESE analysis (HESE = High Energy Starting Event) ICRC 2015 arXiv:1510.05223 IceCube 6 year $v_{\mu} \rightarrow \mu$ analysis Ap.J. 833 (2016) 3

Note upper limits on prompt atmospherics

The astrophysical signal emerges above a steeply falling background of atmospheric neutrinos

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Sky maps of high-energy events



Figure 16. Arrival directions of events with a muon energy proxy above 200TeV. Given the best-fit spectrum the ratio of astrophysical to atmospheric events is about two to one. The horizontal dashed gray line shows the applied zenith angle cut of 85° . The curved gray line indicates the galactic plane and the dashed black line the supergalactic plane (Lahav et al. 2000). The multi-PeV track event is shown as a red dot and the energy proxy value listed in Tab. 4.

No point source is identified yet

High-energy astrophysical neutrinos

Cosmic-ray – gamma-ray – Neutrino connection

Extragalactic

Enhance sensitivity by looking

for coincidences with Fermi

identified flares.

Dark Matter Talk of N. Rudd in v-III session today



Analogous to γ -ray sky

Galactic



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Limits on neutrinos from Galactic plane



Figure 3: ANTARES upper limit at 90% confidence level on the three flavour neutrino flux (solid black line) on the reference model with a 50 PeV energy cut-off (blue dashed line). The neutrino fluxes according to the reference model with the 5 PeV energy cut-off (blue dotted line), the conventional model with the 50 PeV (red dashed line) and 5 PeV (red dotted line) cut-offs are shown for all neutrino flavours, as well as the previously published ANTARES upper limit (solid green line) and the 4 years of HESE reconstructed by IceCube (black triangles). The diffuse gamma ray spectral energy distribution derived from PASS8 Fermi-LAT data (red points) is also presented here.



IceCube, ICRC 2017 Converted to all flavor, full sky for comparison with diffuse flux.

Galactic fraction

- Of order 10%
- It is a guaranteed source
- Limits are close to predictions
- Galactic plane will be resolved, if not by Antares and IceCube, then by KM3NeT and IceCube Gen2
- Galactic point sources not yet seen

Extragalactic neutrinos The multi-messenger landscape

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UHECR & Cosmogenic neutrinos

Implications of EHE limits

- Models of UHECR source with strong evolution dominated by protons are disfavored
 - Auger* composition result suggests R_{max} ~ 3x10¹⁸ V so the highest energy cosmic rays may be nuclei
 *PR D90 (2014) 12206
- The absence of neutrinos of 10 PeV and higher limits models in which neutrinos are produced *inside* the same sources that produce UHECR (whether they are protons or nuclei)
- Such inferences are possible because the Universe is transparent to neutrinos

Blazars, AGN, GRB

- IceCube Upper limit: blazars < 20% of observed astrophysical flux, Ap.J. 835 (2017) 45
- GRB limits are even stronger: IceCube, arXiv:1702.06868

Padovani et al., MNRAS 457 (2016) 3582

Blazars may contribute with hard spectrum at high energy but not account for all the flux.

Two extremes for acceleration of UHECR by active galaxies

- Inside jets in the nucleus (with abundant neutrino production) Murase et al., PR D90 (2014) 023007, Padovani et al., MNRAS 452 (2015) 1877, many others
- At the termination shock (far out with little neutrino production) E.G. Berezhko, Ap.J.Lett. 684 (2008) L69-L71 (See also "Radio galaxy lobes" in the Hillas plot)

Power needed to produce the diffuse (extra-galactic) IceCube signal

$$F_{\nu} = \int L_{\nu} \rho \frac{\mathrm{d}^3 r}{4\pi r^2} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int L_{\nu} \rho \mathrm{d}\Omega \mathrm{d}r \qquad \qquad \frac{\mathrm{d}F_{\nu}}{\mathrm{d}\Omega} = \xi \frac{L_{\nu} \rho R_H}{4\pi},$$
where the Hubble radius is $R_H = \frac{c}{H_0} \approx 4000 Mpc$.
The cosmological factor is $\xi = \int_0^\infty \frac{H_0}{H(z)} \frac{\rho(z)}{\rho_0} \frac{\mathrm{d}z}{1+z} \sim 3$

Assume E⁻² spectrum and equate the Flux to the observed IceCube signal: $\frac{\mathrm{d}F_{\nu}}{\mathrm{d}\Omega} = \xi \frac{L_{\nu}\rho R_{H}}{4\pi} = \frac{E_{\nu}\mathrm{d}N_{\nu}}{\mathrm{d}\Omega\,\mathrm{d}\ln(E_{\nu})} = 2.8 \times 10^{-8} \frac{\mathrm{GeV}}{\mathrm{cm}^{2}\mathrm{s\,sr}} = 1.3 \times 10^{46} \frac{\mathrm{erg}}{\mathrm{Mpc}^{2}\mathrm{yr\,sr}}$ and find the implied source power density $\rho L_{\nu} = \frac{4 \times 10^{43}}{\xi} \frac{\mathrm{erg}}{\mathrm{Mpc}^{3}\mathrm{yr}} \sim 10^{43} \frac{\mathrm{erg}}{\mathrm{Mpc}^{3}\mathrm{yr}}$

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Kowalski plot shows luminosity vs source density

Implications of point source limits

Relation between flux from whole sky and number/intensity of individual sources P. Lipari, PR D78 (2008) 083001 ... Ahlers & Halzen, PR D90:043005 ... Murase & Waxman, PR D94 (2016) 103006

Minimum density of sources

For a distribution of sources each with L_v and density ρ , estimate the distance to a nearby source: $d \sim (4\pi\rho)^{-1/3}$

Then the flux from a nearby source is $F_{\nu} \approx \frac{L_{\nu}}{4\pi d^2} = \frac{L_{\nu}d}{4\pi d^3} = L_{\nu}\rho d.$

Pt. src. Limits give $F_{\nu} < 2 \times 10^{-9} \ {\rm GeV \, cm^{-2} s^{-1}}$

So
$$d < \frac{2 \times 10^{-9} \text{ GeV cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}}{L_{\nu} \rho}$$
. But $L_{\nu} \rho \sim \frac{4 \times 10^{43}}{\xi} \frac{\text{erg}}{\text{Mpc}^{3} \text{ yr}}$
Then $d < 100 \times \frac{\xi}{3}$ and $\rho > \frac{1}{4\pi d^{3}} \sim \frac{10^{-7}}{\text{Mpc}^{3}} \left(\frac{3}{\xi}\right)^{3}$

Implications of limits on point sources

Dashed line assumes 1% efficiency for production of neutrinos

Star forming galaxies and SNIIn

- Both have attractive features:
 - High density, so point source limits are ok
 - Acceleration by SN shocks so E_{max} is consistent with absence of \geq 10 PeV neutrinos
- Both must avoid exceeding the Fermi limit on non-blazar diffuse gamma-rays
 - Many papers on this problem for starburst galaxies
 - Spectral index must be harder than 2.2

Murase, Ahlers & Lacki, PR D88 (2013) 121301

- and even that may not be enough Bechtol et al., Ap.J. 836 (2017) 47

Type IIn Supernova explosions

Murase et al., PR D84 (2011) 043003

Explosion into dense wind of progenitor star Acceleration to 10^{17} eV; v to > PeV with cutoff; Δ < 30 yrs Zirakashvili & Ptuskin, Astropart. Phys. 78 (2016) 28.

Zirakashvili & Ptuskin, Astropart. Phys. 78 (2016) 28. Integrated flux from all Type Iin SNR could account for high-energy part of IceCube signal with a cutoff Zirakashvili and Ptuskin note two possible coincidences:

- SN 2005bx at z=0.03 is 1.35° from HESE #47 track
- SN 2005jq at z=0.23 is
 0.3° from track event #11
 in upward ν_μ sample

When will a point source emerge?

Events from a nearby source:

$$\frac{L_{\nu} \otimes A_{eff}}{4\pi d^2} = \frac{\text{events}}{\text{cm}^2 \text{s}}$$

Events from whole sky: $\xi imes L_{
u}
ho R_H \otimes A_{eff}$

Ratio:
$$\frac{\text{nearby}}{\text{all sky}} \sim \frac{d}{\xi R_H} \approx \frac{1}{\xi (4\pi\rho)^{1/3} R_H}$$

This ratio is small for high density of sources (e.g. 1/4000 for d = 2 Mpc). For d = 100 Mpc, $\rho = 10^{-7}$, the ratio is 1/100. In this case we should soon identify a source; hence the importance of the real-time alerts.

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Near real-time alerts now in operation at IceCube

TITLE: **GCN/AMON NOTICE** NOTICE DATE: Mon 01 Aug 16 02:35:38 UT NOTICE TYPE: AMON ICECUBE HESE RUN NUM: 128290 EVENT NUM: 6888376 SRC RA: 214.5440d {+14h 18m 11s} (J2000), 214.7568d {+14h 19m 02s} (current), 213.9029d {+14h 15m 37s} (1950) SRC DEC: -0.3347d {-00d 20' 04"} (J2000), -0.4106d {-00d 24' 37"} (current), -0.1045d {-00d 06' 15"} (1950) SRC ERROR: 45.00 [arcmin radius, stat+sys, 90% containment] SRC ERROR50: 20.99 [arcmin radius, stat+sys, 50% containment] DISCOVERY DATE: 17600 TJD; 213 DOY; 16/07/31 (vv/mm/dd) DISCOVERY TIME: 6904 SOD {01:55:04.00} UT **REVISION:** 1 1 [number of neutrinos] N EVENTS: STREAM: 1 DELTA T: 0.0000 [sec] SIGMA T: 0.0000 [sec] FALSE POS: 0.0000e+00 [s^-1 sr^-1] **PVALUE:** 0.0000e+00 [dn] CHARGE: 15814.74 [pe] SIGNAL TRACKNESS: 0.91 [dn] SUN POSTN: 131.73d {+08h 46m 54s} +17.93d {+17d 55' 43"} 83.50 [deg] Sun angle= -5.5 [hr] (East of Sun) SUN DIST: MOON POSTN: 107.82d {+07h 11m 18s} +18.14d {+18d 08' 20"} MOON DIST: 106.20 [deg] GAL COORDS: 343.68, 55.52 [deg] galactic lon, lat of the event ECL COORDS: 212.39, 12.72 [deg] ecliptic lon, lat of the event AMON_ICECUBE HESE. COMMENTS:

Astropart. Phys., 92, 30 (2017)

Optical follow-up Gamma follow-up HESE near real-time alerts EHE near real-time alerts

An event on 01 August 2016 passed both HESE and EHE alert thresholds

8 alerts in past year

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Prompt neutrinos in IceCube?

- Charm hadrons with E < 10 PeV rarely re-interact
 - $-~\mu$ and v from decay of charm are isotropic and
 - have the same spectrum as the primary cosmic rays
- Conventional neutrinos from decay of π^{\pm} , K have
 - Angular dependence proportional to $sec(\theta)$
 - Energy spectrum steeper than primary cosmic rays
- Prompt neutrinos from decay of charm
 - exceed atmospheric neutrinos at very high energy
 - but are obscured by astrophysical neutrinos

Astrophysical neutrinos

Note upper limits on prompt atmospheric neutrinos

Select E > 60 TeV to get above atmospheric μ background. Note shape of atmospheric ν backgrounds.

Atmospheric neutrino self veto

Astro rates (4 yrs) compared to calculated atmospheric neutrino rates (including prompt) after veto

Note: these calculations show events as a function of true neutrino energy, not deposited energy in the detector--especially important for v_{μ} (and v_{τ})

Summary of calculated events (4 yrs)

	South	(before selfveto)	North	Total
Astro ν_e	10.51	N/A	7.15	17.66
Astro ν_τ	6.21	N/A	4.55	10.76
Astro ν_{μ}	4.22	N/A	2.85	7.07
Total Astro	20.9	N/A	14.6	35.5
Conventional ν_e	0.71	(0.92)	0.92	1.63
Conventional ν_{μ}	3.15	(5.68)	5.85	9.0
Charm (ERS) ν_e	0.99	(1.91)	1.53	2.52
Charm (ERS) ν_{μ}	0.14	(0.62)	0.50	0.64
Total atmospheric	4.99	(9.14)	8.80	13.8
Total neutrinos	25.9	(30.0)	23.4	49
Atmospheric μ	≈ 5	N/A	0	≈ 5
(by subtraction)				

TABLE VI. Accounting for fifty-four events ($E^{-2.58}$ spectrum, 4 yrs.)

Astrophysical v: ~ 26 shower events ~ 9 tracks

Atmospheric v: ~ 4 shower events ~ 10 tracks

Even with ERS prompt flux, only 3 prompt expected (2.5 ν_{e} , ~0.5 ν_{μ})

Prompt atmospheric in HESE

SIB 2.3, H3a primary folded with HESE 4 yr $\rm A_{eff}$ 2 or 3 prompt nue, 30 – 300 TeV

Summary: prompt leptons

- IceCube typically finds a result in which the preferred level of prompt neutrinos is zero
 - But upper limit allows something like ~ ERS
- Compare the cascade channel at lower energy
 - The prompt component is relatively more important for atmospheric electron neutrinos
- There are suggestions of a significant prompt component in atmospheric muons in IceCube
 - Complications:
 - Events are muon bundles rather than single muons
 - There is a prompt component from $\rho^0 \not \to \mu^+ \mu^-$ (and others) that is not present for neutrinos

Future neutrino telescopes

- KM3NeT (L.O.I. arXiv:1601.07457)
 - ORCA for neutrino physics (Antoine Kouchner)
 - ARCA for high energy (Joao Coelho)
- GVD, km³ detector at Baikal
- IceCube Gen2
 - PINGU for neutrino physics
 - Talks by Ty DeYoung,
 - HEA for high energy
 - arXiv:1412.5106 and 1510.05228
- Radio detection of neutrinos: ARA, ARIANNA...

KM3NeT/ARCA from LOI

31 PMTs per DOM

ARCA building block: 115 strings, 18 DOMs/string 500 Mton volume; Two ARCA building blocks = Gton

Test string 2014-15; Two strings of ARCA deployed at the Italian site running now; funding for 24 mare is available.

One string on a launch vehicle

IceCube Gen2 HEA

An extended surface array with a much larger footprint could expand the veto

ARA next to IceCube

IceCube Gen2 to scale

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