# Constraining DM-neutrino interactions with IceCube-170922A

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# IceCube Telescope

- Neutrinos might interact in or near the detector
- Neutrinos are identified through Cherenkov light emission from secondary particles produced in the neutrino interaction with the ice



## IceCube-170922A

IceCube 2018 Science

- September 22, 2017
  - A neutrino alert issued by IceCube



#### IceCube-170922A

 Fermi-LAT and MAGIC identify a spatially coincident flaring blazar (TXS 0506+056)



# **Flaring blazar**

Blazar model

Shan Gao et al, 2018 Lots of Astrophysics papers

- In the center, supermassive black hole
- Emit relativistic jets  $\rightarrow$  electron, positron, proton



# IceCube-170922A

- o Icecube-170922A
  - TXS 0506+056 determined to be z = 0.3365 S. Paiano et al, ApJL 2018
  - 1421 Mpc
  - Right ascension: 77.42, Declination: 5.72



IceCube 2018 Science

# Mean free-path for a neutrino

- How far a neutrino can travel without any scattering process
- The definition of the mean free-path

• 
$$\lambda_{\rm MFP} = \frac{1}{n_X \sigma(\nu X \to Y)}$$

• X can be a neutrino/anti-neutrino or DM

• A new physics model can be constrained

#### **Coordinate transformation**

• From equatorial coordinates to Galactic coordinates

 $\tan(l_0 - l) = \frac{\cos(\delta)\sin(\alpha - \alpha_0)}{\sin(\delta)\cos(\delta_0) - \cos(\delta)\sin(\delta_0)\cos(\alpha - \alpha_0)}$ 

 $\sin(b) = \sin(\delta)\sin(\delta_0) + \cos(\delta)\cos(\delta_0)\cos(\alpha - \alpha_0)$ 

the equatorial coordinates of the Galactic north pole  $\begin{array}{l} lpha_0 \approx 192.8595^\circ\\ \delta_0 \approx 27.1284^\circ\\ l_0 \approx 122.9320^\circ\end{array}$ 

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- Not travel through GC
  - Not depends on DM profile





# **Cosmic neutrino background**

- If sizable v-CvB interaction exists, scattering off the v-CvB can cause a depletion of the detected neutrino events
- Scattering cross section between
  - Icecube-19022A neutrino and Cosmic neutrino background
  - Number density of the CvB: 340/cm^3
- Mean free-path of a 290 TeV neutrino
  - O(10^11) Gpc
  - Negligible effect in the SM
  - New neutrino self-interactions can be tested

K. J. Kelly & P. A. Machado, arXiv:1808.02889

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 The suppression depends on the DM-v scattering cross section as well as the DM number density along the path

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$$\int_{\text{path}} \sigma n(\mathbf{x}) dl \lesssim 1$$

• The suppression can be divide into two contributions

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Suppression from the cosmological DM

- Cosmological DM energy density is determined by Planck 2018 data
  - $\rho_{\rm dm}(z) = 1.3 \times 10^{-6} (1+z)^3 \,{\rm GeV/cm^3}$  Planck 2018

• 
$$\begin{split} \int_{los} \rho(z) \, dl &= \int \rho(z) \frac{c dt}{dz} dz, \\ &\simeq 7.2 \times 10^{21} \, \mathrm{GeV}/\,\mathrm{cm}^2 \end{split}$$

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• Galactic DM  
• NFW DM profile  
•  $\int_{\text{los}} \rho_{\text{gal}}(\mathbf{x}) dl \simeq 3.8 \times 10^{22} \text{ GeV/ cm}^2$   

$$\rho_{\text{gal}}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\rho_s}{\frac{r}{r_s} \left(1 + \frac{r}{r_s}\right)^2}$$

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- Incidentally both contributions from cosmological DM and Milky Way DM are very comparable
  - Very tiny cosmological DM density is compensated by the long distance

#### New constraint

- Demand less than 90% suppression of the flux
  - $\int \sigma n dl \lesssim 2.3$
- DM-v scattering cross section
  - The identification of the source can allow the precise evaluation of the neutrino flux change due to DM- v scattering cross section

$$\circ \sigma/M_{\rm dm} \le 5.1 \times 10^{-23} {\rm cm}^2/{
m GeV}$$

• @ 
$$E_{\nu} = 290 \text{ TeV}$$

#### New constraint



# Known constraints

Lyman-alpha

C. Boehm, R. Wilkinson arXiv: 1401.7597

- WIMP DM stays in equilibrium with primordial plasma for longer time due to elastic scattering and undergoes acoustic oscillations
- Suppresses matter perturbations and reduces the amount of small scale structures today

• constant cross section: 
$$\sigma_{\rm el} < 10^{-36} \left( \frac{m_{\rm DM}}{{
m MeV}} \right) {
m cm}^2$$

• T-dependent cross section:  $\sigma_{\rm el} < 10^{-48} \left(\frac{m_{\rm DM}}{{
m MeV}}\right) \left(\frac{T_{\nu}}{T_0}\right)^2 {
m cm}^2$ 

 $T_0 = 2.35 \times 10^{-4} \text{ eV}$ 

• This constraint can be applied for neutrino energy at around 100 eV.

#### Known constraints

o SN1987A

G. Barbiellini, G. Cocconi, 1987

- Neutrino energies ~ 10 MeV
- Distance ~ 50 kpc
- v-DM interaction can be constrained
- This constraint can be applied for neutrino energy at around 10 MeV.

Neutrino energy	$\sigma/M_{\rm dm}[{\rm cm}^2/{ m GeV}]$
$\sim 100 \ {\rm eV}$	$6 \times 10^{-31}$
$\sim 100~{\rm eV}$	$10^{-33}$
$10 \mathrm{MeV}$	$10^{-22}$

#### **Scattering cross section**



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 Stringent constraint depends on the upper bound on DM-neutrino scattering cross section

#### **Complex scalar DM model**

A fermion mediator

•  $\mathcal{L}_{int} = -g\chi \overline{N}\nu_L + h.c.,$ 

• Scattering cross section vs neutrino energy



#### **Complex scalar DM model**



 $M_{\rm dm}[{\rm GeV}]$ 

• Upper & right region are allowed

- Blue: IceCube-170922A
- Red: Lyman alpha

• Green region: ruled out by DM stability

#### **Complex scalar DM model**



Maximum values of (g vs Mdm)

# Conclusions

 Identifying sources of astrophysical neutrinos gives us additional information

We find new constraint on DM-v scattering

Obtained from Icecube-170922A

• 
$$\sigma/M_{\rm dm} \le 5.1 \times 10^{-23} {\rm cm}^2/{\rm GeV}$$

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- Certain classes of new physics models can be probed by high energy neutrinos travelling very long distances
  - Light DM model