Gamma Rays (and Cosmic Explosions)

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Medium Energy Gamma Rays

- detection
- science
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Coded-Mask Instruments (INTEGRAL)

Wide FOV Very High-Energy instruments (HAWC/ARGO/SGSO)

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Gamma Rays: definitions







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Gamma-rays come from Non-Thermal Emission

Particle Acceleration

Human-made Particle Accelerators



series of radiofrequency cavities



diffusive shock acceleration



Gamma-rays show the sites of cosmic-ray acceleration





Non-Thermal Emission

What radiation do you get from a power-law of particles?

Spectral Energy Distribution for various processes:

Electron population

dN/dE Energy Flux ЩZ log



- **Hadron Population**







radio

- **Hadron Population**









































Non-Thermal Emission







Non-Thermal Emission

Some real examples RX J1713.7-3946 (Supernova Remnant)



Crab Nebula (Pulsar Wind Nebula)



Mayer+ (http://dx.doi.org/10.1051/0004-6361/201014108) Tanaka+ (http://dx.doi.org/10.1086/591020)



Gamma-ray Instrument Sensitivities







No focusing optics No CCDs Single Photon Counting

Compton Scattering

Pair Production





Particle Interactions beyond the Photoelectric Effect...













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Compton Gamma-ray Observatory



Arthur Holly Compton

NASA "Great Observatory":

• 1991-2000

COMPTEL instrument:





Nuclear Line Emission at MeV The galaxy in Radioactive Aluminum 26

Decay Chain	Half-Life	Nuclei/ Supernova	Photon Energy (MeV)	Photons/ Disinte- gration	
⁶⁶ Ni→ ⁶⁶ Co→ ⁶⁶ Fe	77.3 d	3 × 10 ¹⁴	0.847 1.238 2.598 1.771 1.038		
₩Ti→₩Sc→₩Ca	47 yr	$6 imes 10^{51}$	0.068 0.078 1.156		
⁶⁰ Fe→ ⁶⁰ Co→ ⁶⁰ Ni	$3 \times 10^{5} \mathrm{yr}$	5×10^{10}	0.059 1.173 1.332		
²⁶ Al→ ²⁶ Mg	$7.4 imes 10^{4} ext{ yr}$	$4 imes 10^{10}$	1.809 1.130	1 0.04	ļ

and Taurus Clouds

http://articles.adsabs.harvard.edu//full/1977ApJ...213L...5R/L000005.000.html https://heasarc.gsfc.nasa.gov/docs/cgro/cgro/comptel_al26.html





Supernova Detection with Comptel

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Right Ascension (2000.0)



Comptel: Crab Nebula



https://heasarc.gstc.nasa.gov/docs/cgro/cgro/comptel_anti.html



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• e-ASTROGAM

- http:// eastrogam.iaps.inaf.it/
- ESA M5 call







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Detection: High Energy Gamma Rays 100s of MeV to 100s of GeV



Pair-conversion Telescopes





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anti-coincidence shield





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Instruments:

- LAT: "Large Area Telescope" (GeV)
- GBM "Gamma-ray Burst Monitor" (KeV -MeV)

LAT:

- FoV: > 2 steradians
- Energy Range: 20 MeV 300 GeV
- Coverage:
 - ► all sky (normally once per day, but now 1/3 per day due to failed solar array drive)
- Angular Resolution:
 - ► < 3.5° (100 MeV)
 - $> < 0.15^{\circ} (>10 \text{ GeV})$
 - \blacktriangleright point-source localization: < 0.5'



See Also: AGILE Space Telescope





The GeV Sky > 5000 gamma ray sources!



Catalog : 3FGL



The GeV Sky > 5000 gamma ray sources!





The GeV Sky

> 5000 gamma ray sources!

FSRQ
BL Lac
AGN/NLS1/Sy/G
Bl.unk. CSS/RDG/SSRQ





CTA 1 Pulsar: The first of many pulsars discovered by LAT scientists using only gamma-ray data was the one in supernova remnant CTA 1. A pulsar is a neutron star whose rapid rotation powers beams of radio, X-ray and gamma radiation. Although 10,000 years old, the CTA 1 pulsar still emits a thousand times more energy than our sun. Illustration: NASA SSU E/PO, Simonnet.

Finkbeiner et al.

and south of the Milky Way's central plane. These gammaray "bubbles" may have formed from a past eruption of our galaxy's supermassive black hole. NASA/DOE/Fermi LAT/D.

Crab Nebula: Fermi observations of the Crab Nebula, a young supernova remnant containing a pulsar, reveal gamma-ray flares set off by the most energetic particles ever traced to a specific astronomical object. To account for the days-long flares, scientists say that electrons near the pulsar must be accelerated to energies a thousand trillion (10¹⁵) times greater than that of visible light. Above is a composite of the nebula in visible light and X-rays. NASA/CXC/HST/ASU/J. Hester et al.

The Variable Sky at GeV energies



Fermi-LAT 2008

https://svs.gsfc.nasa.gov/10407





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High-Energy Resources

Fermi Catalogs:

- 3FGL: 3rd Fermi-Lat Gamma-Ray catalog • 3FHL: Highest energy catalog (subset of sources)
- 1SC: First Fermi-LAT supernova catalog

Fermi-Lat Data:

- all publicly available online
- need Fermi Science Tools to analyze
 - spatial-spectral likelihood minimization



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- With enough distance into a medium (1 interaction length), the secondaries will emit Bremsstrahlung radiation when they encounter a nucleus
- If high enough energy, the Bremsstrahlung photon can pairproduce
- and so on...

This becomes an electromagnetic shower

- number of particles doubles, energy divided by 2 at each step
- eventually shower stops when energy too low









Atmospheric Cherenkov Technique

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photon or e-


























































EM sub-showers









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Single Telescope View d samples time-integrated

nanosecond samples

Sample 000 CT001 (LSTCam), event 007108





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Stereo View Large-Telescope Subarray Medium Telescope Subarray

LSTCam





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focal length 4.6in.



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Some VHE History



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Whipple 10m teleescope

- **1968:** Built, Single-pixel camera
- Breakthrough: multi-pixel camera: Shower Imaging
- **1989:** First detection of Crab Nebula (at 5 σ)

Many came in between:

- CAT (Pyrenees),
- Durham (Australia)
- HEGRA (Canaries)
- Grace (India)
- CANGAROO (Australia)





Current Atmospheric Cherenkov Telescopes

VERITAS: Arizona, USA 4x 12m. (Northern Hemisphere)

H.E.S.

VERITAS



MAGIC: Canary Islands 2x 17 m (Northern Hemisphere)

HESS: Namibia 4x 12m, 1x 28m (Southern Hemisphere)

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Ground-based Telescopes: Visibility



Visible from Southern Hemisphere

Atmospheric Cherenkov Telescopes

Advantages:

- high angular (<0.1°) and energy (<15%) resolution
- very good sensitivity
 - many orders of magnitude better than Fermi-Lat in overlapping energy range!
 - great for short-term variability
- Cheap! (ground-based)
- Upgradable!
 - e.g. add more telescopes to get larger effective area

Disadvantages

- Small(ish) Field-Of-View (3°-10°) → non uniform exposure, must know where to look
- Small duty cycle
 - can't observe in day or with bright moon!
 - \blacktriangleright \approx 1000-1400 hours/year
- No full-sky coverage for single instrument
 - ► limitation of being on Earth
- Limited by atmosphere quality



HESS Galactic Plane Survey



Exposure (very non-uniform!)







The Very-high-energy sky

in the plane, mostly extended sources (pulsar wind nebulae, supernova remnants)





Supernova Remnants



B-field strength map under leptonic scenario

(See Jacco's SNR Talk yesterday)



Remember Vela Jr from COMPTEL?





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Remember Vela Jr from COMPTEL?



Discovering new Supernova Remnants

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Pulsar Wind Nebula: HESS J1825-137

HESS

Fermi-LAT

Araya et al., MNRAS 2009

LS 5039: A Gamma-ray Binary

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PSR B1259-63

Parameter	Value
Distance, D [kpc]	1.5
Eccentricity, e	0.87
Orbital Period, Porb[d]	1273
Last Periastron Passage	2007-07-27
Compact Object	
Pulsar Period, P [ms]	47.7
$\dot{P} = \frac{\mathrm{d}P}{\mathrm{d}t} \left[\frac{\mathrm{S}}{\mathrm{S}}\right]$	2.27579×10^{-15}
Spin-down age, τ [yr]	3×10^{5}
Spin-down luminosity, L_p [erg s ⁻¹]	8×10^{35}
Magnetic field, B[G]	3×10^{11}
Companion Star (B2	Ve)
Temperature [K]	10^{4}
Mass $[M_{\odot}]$	10

Breaking News: Prompt VHE Emission from a GRB

GRB 190114C:

MAGIC Detection!

- First VHE GRB!
- 50s after burst
- \bullet > 20 sigma
- very large zenith angle ► > 300 GeV

Subjects: Gamma Ray, >GeV, TeV, VHE, Request for Observations, Gamma-Ray Burst

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

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

ATel #12390; Razmik Mirzoyan on behalf of the MAGIC Collaboration Credential Certification: Razmik Mirzoyan (Razmik.Mirzoyan@mpp.mpg.de) on 15 Jan 2019; 01:03 UT

Referred to by ATel #: 12395, 12475

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Look for details soon!

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Breaking News: GRB Afterglow in VHE y's

HESS detection of GRB 180720B

- 10 hours after burst, 5 sigma > 100 GeV.
- observation 18 days later, no signal
- One of Fermi-GBM highest fluence GRBs

Look for details soon!

Kilonovas?

GW170817

25.0

See also talk by **Skyler Scott (tuesday)**

Very-High-Energy Resources

TeVCat

- tevcat.uchicago.edu, tevcat2.uchicago.edu
- All published sources from all Cherenkov Telescopes
- lots of detail about each source, including links to all subsequent publications

GammaCat / GammaSky

- gamma-sky.net/
- similar to TeVCat, but open-source catalog available (much less detail than TeVCat, however)

HESS Galactic Plane Survey

- www.mpi-hd.mpg.de/hfm/HESS/hgps/
- Catalog as FITS table (includes spectra for each source)
- the only "true" catalog (all identical analysis methodology, single publication), so only exposure bias
- Image data (flux, etc) as FITS images

me to TeVCat!

VHE/TeV gamma rays: the Future!



More Telescopes = larger effective area

Densely Packed Telescopes = higher angular resolution

Multiple Dish Sizes = wider energy coverage for cheaper

- large: 50 GeV 100 GeV
 - fast repointing for GRBs and transients
 - ► expensive
- medium = 100 GeV 30 TeV

► core science

• small = 5 TeV - 100 TeV:

► new frontiers

cheap, easy to make many of them











≈10 PB of gamma-ray data/year processed down to small, standard products

largest telescope array ever

open observatory: you can be a PI!

cherenkov telescope array

the observatory for ground-based gamma-ray astronomy



https://www.cta-observatory.org/





cherenkov telescope array

the observatory for ground-based gamma-ray astronomy

CTA Consortium consists of over 1,420 members working in 200 institutes from 31 countries:

Armenia, Australia, Austria, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Croatia, Czech Republic, Finland, **France, Germany**, Greece, India, Ireland, **Italy**, Japan, Mexico, Namibia, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Slovenia, South Africa, **Spain**, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, the UK, Ukraine and the USA.

credit: DESY/Milde Science Comm./Exozet









Galactic Longitude

285°

270°

GRBs with CTA

Fermi-LAT



CTA (simulated)



Binaries with CTA

Gaussian Flare (LSI +61 303)







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keV X-ray

20 KeV -**≈1** *MeV*



photo-electric effect 400 cm² @ 5keV



Chandra, XMM



grazing-incidence mirror



INTEGRAL



coded-mask

gamma-ray detection in context 100 GeV -

0.2 MeV -**10** MeV

10 MeV -100 GeV





Compton Effect 50 cm² @ 5 MeV



Comptel (no longer flying) **Pair Conversion** 1*m*² @ 1 GeV



Extensive Air Shower > 10⁵ - 10⁶ m² @ 1 TeV

100TeV



Whipple 10m





Comparison

	Compton Telescopes	Fermi-LAT	IACTs (e.g. HESS)	WCTs (HAWC)
Energy Range	Medium-energy Gamma	High-Energy Gamma	Very-High-Energy Gamma	Very-High-Energ Gamma
Field of view	Large	Effectively All-Sky	Small	Half-Sky
PSF (E-dependant)	fair ≈1°	good 0.1-1.0°	good 0.01-0.1°	fair 0.3-0.5°
Energy Resolution	good ≈10%	good ≈10%	good ≈10%	poor 50%-100%
Duty Cycle	very good	very good	poor	very good
Sky Coverage	full	full	half	half
Short-Term Sensitivity	good	good (GeV) poor (>100GeV)	good (>100GeV)	poor





S. Fegan, https://github.com/sfegan/kifune-plot,

original by Tadashi Kifune 1996



Gamma-ray Instrument Sensitivities







backup

Detection: All Sky VHE gammas

See talk by







HAWC High Altitude Water-Cherenkov observatory





HAWC Survey 2014-2018







Other VHE large-FOV instruments:

Sichuan province 4400 m a.s.l.







The TAIGA Hybrid Detector: Imaging and Non-Imaging Techniques



Future All-Sky: SGSO



