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TeV Astrophysics in the eXTP era

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• The talk is divided in three parts (of 4 minutes each!):

Part I: The age of TeV astrophysics (We mean from 30 GeV to 100 TeV \rightarrow)

Part II: The keV-TeV connection

Part III: **The near term future** (up to when eXTP operates)



Part I

The age of TeV astrophysics (We mean: 30 GeV to 100 TeV \rightarrow)





More than 180 sources are now known to emit in the TeVs

Courtesy of the TeVCat online source catalog (http://tevcat.uchicago.edu)



H.E.S.S. galactic plane survey



2673 h of observation after quality selection.



Census of the HGPS catalogue



Preliminary

Some of the **10+ classes of objects** found to be galactic or extragalactic accelerators)

The "local fog" of Galactic Cosmic rays



Science challenges of TeV astrophysics

Origin of Cosmic Rays



Where are the Pevatrons? How do CR propagate? Impact on the ISM?

Particle Acceleration





What are the mechanisms? Size of the regions from variability?

Physics of the non-thermal Universe VERSITAT

The puzzle of the origin of cosmic rays

Search for Galactic Cosmic Rays accelerators

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Understanding CR escape into the ISM

Big Puzzle: Factories of 10¹⁵ eV particles **PeVatrons** (CR accelerators can accelerate/confine PeV particles for short amounts of time)

diffusing and filling the Galaxy



acceleration



escape = injection into ISM





Point like, central source on top of an extended (ridge emission)



- Central point source: cut-off @ 10 TeV
- Diffuse emission shows no cut-off well > 10 TeV

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Parent proton population up to 1 PeV (2.9 PeV @ 68% CL)

LETTER

Acceleration of petaelectronvolt protons in the Galactic Centre



 Emission profile consistent with propagation of protons accelerated around central black hole and diffusing away





Gamma-ray emitting SNRs

- Young, historical supernovae, in different evolutionary stages → SNRs can be pevatrons during a (very short time)
 - inverse Compton of the population emitting non thermal X-rays

- More evolved SNRs proven to accelerate protons
 - In interaction with molecular clouds
 - π⁰ bump in Fermi-LAT





RX J1713.7-3946: SED modeling



- Leptonic processes would require large B field (~140 µG) or very large target photon field, at odds with other observations
- Hard proton spectrum (break at 0.8 TeV) in hadronic model
- Could be explained e.g. by energydependent diffusion of CR protons into a clumpy medium inside the SNR (Aharonian & Gabici 2014)



Clear detection of the pion-bump





• Gamma-ray binaries: small class of objects

	Period (days)	M∗(M _☉)
PSR B1259-63	1236	31
LS 5039	3.9	23
LS I +61 303	26.4	12
HESS J0632+057	315	16
1FGL J1018.6- 5856	16.6	31

- Accretion/ejection in binary systems
- Anisotropic radiation fields (absorption by pair creation)







TeV Blazar: PKS 2155-304

Temporal structure of the flares



HESS collaboration: Aharonian et al. ApJ 664 (2007)



Part II

The keV-TeV connection: why TeV astrophyscs needs X-rays and viceversa



synchrotron X-rays of directly accelerated electrons -

A tool for probing Cosmic TeVatrons: SNRs, Pulsar Wind Nebulae, gamma-ray loud binaries, AGN/Blaz



Figure from the review by S. Funk (2015)



synchrotron X-rays of secondary electrons – A tool, complementary to TeV (and neutrinos...) for not yet discovered PeVatrons and even higher energy-trons...



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It is difficult for theories to model such accelerators: we have to accept accept that those machines are operating at the highest possible efficiency

Acceleration efficiency: fraction of available energy converted to nonthermal particles in SNRs, in PWNe and AGN) \rightarrow essential for understanding **Diffusive** Shock Acceleration

Maximum possible energy achieved by individual particles

Magnetic Field Amplification due to cosmic ray pressure



- LAD: Hard X-rays, at which the non-thermal emission dominates on the thermal emission
- **SFA:** Characterization of the thermal emission (lines and continuum)
- **PFA:** image in spatial details the turbulences of the magnetic field (test magnetic field amplification)
- (Nice) talks by Cheng Yang and Zhang Shuo!



Orbital studies of Gamma Binaries



Through combined Gamma and X-ray observations the **complex physics can be understood:**

X-ray \rightarrow synchrotron (?)

TeV \rightarrow inverse Compton + pair production absorption in the stellar wind

GeV \rightarrow unaffected by pair production absorption

In the future: Orbital Phase resolved spectroscopy at TeV!

Suzaku + HESS + Fermi (Takahashi et al. 2009)



Long Term monitoring of Blazars





Part III

TeV observatories of the eXTP era



We would like to reach

Key design goals:

- 10-fold increased sensitivity at TeV energies
- 10-fold increased effective energy coverage
- Larger field of view for surveys
- Improved angular resolution
- Full sky coverage: an array in each hemisphere



Cherenkov Telescope Array

IST

Core-energy array:

23 x 12 m tel. (MST) FOV: 7-8 degrees mCrab sensitivity in the 100 GeV–10 TeV Low-energy section domain 4 x 23 m tel. (LST) (FOV: 4-5 degrees)

energy threshold of some 10 GeV **High-energy section:**

SST

30-70 x 4-6 m tel. (SST) - FOV: ~10 degrees 10 km² area at multi-TeV energies



Next generation observatory



Differential point source sensitivity

Angular resolution (80% containment radius)









The Large High Altitude Air Shower Obs.

1 km² array, with 4941 scintillator detectors 1 m² (spacing 15 m)

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1 km² array of 1146 **underground water Cherenkov tanks** 36 m² each (for muon detection area 42,000 m2)



A close-packed, **surface water Cherenkov detector facility** with a total area of 80,000 m²

18 wide field-of-view air Cherenkov and fluorescence telescopes.



Sensitivity of LHAASO



Left Sensitivity of LHAASO to a Crab-like point gamma ray source Integral Spectra of SNRs in the LHAASO field of view extrapolated to 1 PeV.



- eXTP will operate in the same time window of CTA and LHAASO.
- X-rays are going to provide key observational information on the physics of the non-thermal Universe and...
- On the identification of the astrophysical nature of the observed TeV-PeV – atrons.
- Most likely some long standing puzzle on the nature of the sources of the Cosmic Rays, on the Acceleration Mechanisms, on the nature of the TeV Gamma Binaries and more will be eventually clarified.





Stay tuned for surprises!



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Thank you.

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New shell-type SNRs with H.E.S.S.

• RCW 86:

deep exposure confirms TeV shell appearance

- Good correlation between TeV and hard X-ray (IC vs. synchrotron), likely leptonic dominated, B ~20 µG
- Maximum energy ~ 3 TeV
- New TeV shells:

HESS J1534-571, HESS J1614-518, HESS J1912+101

- Identified in the HESS Galactic Plane Survey (HGPS) data set
- HESS J1912+101 likely the only TeV SNR w/o counterparts in other wavebands
- Lack of nonthermal X-ray synchrotron emission (at least for HESS J1534-571): hints at proton emission(?)







HESS J1832-093: The new kid in town?





- HESS J1808-240 might be powered by the magnetar SGR1806-20; in this case, the TeV source is more likely powered by magnetic dissipative effects (rather than rotation-powered)
- Alternative counterparts (LBV1806-20, stellar cluster) also interesting, discrimination not yet possible











Dark Matter Searches

- Current targets:
 - Galactic Centre Halo
 - Dwarf spheroidals
- Strategies
 - Deep observations (≥200 h)
 - Optimal statistical treatments
 - Search for annihilation lines







Large Size Telescopes



Science drivers

- Lowest energies (< 200 GeV)
- Transient phenomena
- DM, AGN, GRB, pulsars

Characteristics

- Parabolic design
- 23 m diameter
- 370 m² effective mirror area
- 28 m focal length
- 1.5 m mirror facets
- 4.5° field of view
- 0.11° PMT pixels
- active mirror control
- Carbon-fibre arch structure (fast repointing)

Array layout

- South site: 4
- North site: 4



Status

- Some elements prototyped
- First full telescope under construction in La Palma (<u>http://www.lst1.iac.es/webcams.html</u>)



Mid Size Telescopes



Status

- Telescope prototyped (Berlin-Adlershof)
- Prototype cameras under construction (2 types: NectarCAM & FlashCam)

Science drivers

- Mid energies (100 GeV 10 TeV)
- DM, AGN, SNR, PWN, binaries, starbursts, EBL, IGM

Characteristics

- Modified Davies-Cotton design
- 12 m diameter
- 90 m² effective mirror area
- 1.2 m mirror facets
- 16 m focal length
- 8° field of view
- 0.18° PMT pixels

Array layout

- South site: 25
- North site: 15



Small Size telescopes



Characteristics

- Davies-Cotton design
- 4 m diameter
- 8.5 m² effective mirror area
- 5.6 m focal length ٠
- 9° field of view
- 0.24° SiPM pixels

Status

- Prototype telescope built
- Camera prototype under construction



Characteristics

- Schwarzschild-Couder design •
- 4.3 m primary diameter
- 1.8 m secondary diameter
- 6 m² effective mirror area
- 2.2 m focal length
- 9.6° field of view
- 0.17° SiPM pixels ٠

Status

- Prototype telescope built
- Camera prototype under construction



Characteristics

- Schwarzschild-Couder design
- 4 m primary diameter .
- 2 m secondary diameter ٠
- 6 m² effective mirror area .
- 2.3 m focal length .
- 8.6° field of view
- 0.16° SiPM pixels

Status

- Prototype telescope structure built ٠
- Tested with MAPMT-based CHEC camera •

Science drivers

- **Highest energies** (> 5 TeV)
- Galactic science, . PeVatrons

Array layout

- South site: 70
- North site: -.

First CTA light





An overview of sensitivity



Courtesy of Jürgen Knödlseder Comptes rendus – Physique, 17, 6 (2016)

Extragalactic source classes for H.E.S.S.

TeV Blazars – today more than 30 objects discovered

quite unexpectedly:

- TeV γ -rays from distant blazars;
- strong impact on diffuse Extragalactic Background Light (EBL) models Very fast and intense flares (e.g., PKS 2155–304)
 - strong impact on AGN/jet physics
- most exciting results:
- variability on minute timescales
- extremely compact acceleration regions
- unusually hard gamma-ray spectra \rightarrow (internal) $\gamma\gamma$ absorption less than thought particularly relevant in FSRQs that feature strong internal photon fields

no good spatial information at TeV energies, but:

structure in time

excellent time resolution

- structure in energy very good energy resolution
- study flaring episodes, but also ensembles of states