Experimental Lecture #7 Telescopes and more

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Relativistic charged particles traveling through a dielectric medium produce Cherenkov radiation



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IceCube Hot Water Drill Animation



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Track topology (e.g. induced by muon neutrino)

Good pointing, 0.2° - 1° Lower bound on energy for through-going events

Cascade topology (e.g. induced by electron neutrino)

Good energy resolution, 15% Some pointing, 10° - 15°



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Background Events



 Fortuitous scenario where the events were mis-reconstructed too high in energy

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3-year HESE Result

- 36(+1) events total
 - 8.4 ± 4.2 atm. muons
 - 6.6^{+5.9}-1.6 atm. neutrinos
- 5.7σ rejection of only atmospheric neutrino flux



HESE-III Sky Map



• No significant evidence for clustering

Monte Carlo

- High Energy Starting Event analysis is simple and serendipitous
 - Easy cuts
 - Signal would, and has been, found by dedicated analysis that use more sophisticated methods
- Analysis which found the 2 'background' events
 - Developed on Monte Carlo
 - 2 backgrounds were statistically significant

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- Search for neutrinos produced by $p+\gamma$ interactions
 - 1. Fireball GRB models, i.e. gamma-rays produced from high temperature plasma
 - 2. Model Independent



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GRB Fireball Model



• Data provides an upper limit that is 3.7x lower than fireball prediction

• Model independent search also shows no events associated with GRBs

Model Independent



KM3NeT

• Possible neutrino telescope in Mediterranean



Radio



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http://www.thespectrumofriemannium.com/2012/10/17/log047-the-askaryan-effect/

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- First two flights are done
- ANITA-III
 - 5x improvement in sensitivity
 - Planned flight in Dec.
 2014



	ANITA-I	ANITA-II
Neutrino Candidate Events	1	1
Expected Background	1.1	0.97 +/- 0.42

*A. Vieregg, Harvard CfA 2013

Low Coverage for GZK



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• Askaryan Radio Array



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ARA Projected Sensitivity

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ARIANNA on the Ross Ice Shelf 78 44.523' S, 165 02.414' E Antarctic Ross Ice Shelf Antenna Neutrino Array

Dry Valleys

Wireless Internet Link

Ross Island and McMurdo Station (~120 km from array)

Minna Bluff (radio barrier)

30 x 30 km, 900-station grid

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- Free from RF interference
- Enhanced signal from reflection

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 - Winter reduces efficiency due to cold
 - Low wind contingency

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• Neutrino interaction in dielectric regolith of the moon

http://astro.physics.uiowa.edu/~www/research/high_energy_astrophysics_2.html

Square Kilometre Array

Very Large Array

High Energies

- IceCube
- Neutrinos at PeV+ energies produce polarized radio emission (Askaryan) for which antennae detectors are wellsuited