COSMIC RAY ANISOTROPIES



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MAIN QUESTION:

Nature and origin of UHECRs

OBSERVABLES:

- Spectrum
- Composition indicators like X_{max}





- Anisotropies in the arrival directions

BEST FIT OF SPECTRUM AND COMPOSITION OF UHECRs (above the ankle)

Simple model of sources continuously distributed and accelerating particles with rigidity dependent spectrum (power law with exponential cutoff)



Auger favors mixed composition with hard rigidity dependent spectrum and low rigidity cutoff $R_{cut} = E_{cut}/Z \sim 5 \text{ EV}$ Final steepening of the spectrum is combination of propagation and maximum rigidity ³ at the source

Interactions with radiation backgrounds:

Limit the distance from which UHECRs can reach us \rightarrow at the highest energies sources cannot be too far away



Main difficulty to identify UHECR sources: magnetic deflections

Regular B field:
$$\delta \simeq 10^{\circ} \frac{10 \text{ EeV}}{E/Z} \left| \int_0^L \frac{d\vec{x}}{\text{kpc}} \times \frac{\vec{B}}{2\,\mu\text{G}} \right|$$
 Turbulent B field: $\delta_{\text{rms}} \simeq \frac{BZe}{E} \sqrt{\frac{Ll_c}{2}} \simeq 4^{\circ} \frac{B}{nG} \frac{10 \text{ EeV}}{E/Z} \frac{\sqrt{Ll_c}}{Mpc}$

Problem: Galactic and extragalactic magnetic fields are poorly know – composition is unknown

Arrival directions: affected by propagation in intervening magnetic fields \rightarrow depends on energy and Z r₁ = E/ZeB

Diffusive or quasirectilinear?

- spectrum

- arrival directions distribution

ANISOTROPY SEARCHES

Distribution of arrival directions expected to give additional clues to understand UHECRs

Large scale anisotropies:

Could signal galactic-extragalactic transition

- Galactic: diffusive escape from the Galaxy of galactic CRs
- Extragalactic: diffusive propagation in XG magnetic field from individual sources Anisotropies in the distribution of XG CR sources
- Small dipole due to our motion (Compton-Getting effect, below 1%).
- 3D anisotropies above full efficiency (E > 4 EeV): reconstruct full dipole (and quadrupole)
- anisotropies in right ascension at all energies (E > 0.03 EeV) reconstruct equatorial dipole component, for which systematic effects under control

Small scale anisotropies:

Largest energies: above GZK CRs come from nearby sources and with small deflections for light composition component \rightarrow trace source population

- search for excess of flux in different angular windows
- look for correlations with possible source populations

LARGE SCALE ANISOTROPIES: WEIGHTED FOURIER ANALYSIS

Account for spurious modulations of the flux:

- correct energy estimation for atmospheric conditions (temperature and pressure) and geomagnetic effect on air shower development

- weight w_i accounting for detector dead time and (small) tilt of the array

modulation in right ascension (x= α) and azimuth (x= Φ): Fourier coefficients of order k

E > 4 EeV: SD1500 fully efficient up to $80^\circ \rightarrow \text{cover } 85\%$ of the sky (dec < 45°)

3D dipole: equatorial dipole (d_1) , NS component (d_2) , total amplitude (d) and direction



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equatorial coordinates, smoothed on 45° radius windows

Energy dependence of dipolar modulation



[models with source density 10⁻⁴ Mpc⁻³ from PRD92 (2015) 063014]

Effect of Galactic B field on extragalactic dipole direction (and amplitude)

ApJ 868 (2018) 4



(using Jansson&Farrar 2012 B field model)

extragalactic dipole direction gets shifted towards spiral arms by Galactic B field 10

LARGE SCALE ANISOTROPY

TA E>10 EeV



Dipole amplitude d=0.066 $^{+0.012}_{-0.009}$ (6 σ) pointing to (α, δ) =(98°,-25°) \rightarrow at 125° from the GC \rightarrow evidence of extragalactic origin

 d_{\perp} =0.060±0.010

Auger

r=0.033 \pm 0.019 ϕ =131° \pm 33° compatible with Auger dipole and with isotropy

 $d_{\rm \perp} {=} r / \langle cos \delta \rangle \sim 1.3 \; r \sim 0.043 {\pm}\; 0.025$

TA coll, arXiv:2007.00023

Modulation in right ascension from 0.03 EeV up to > 32 EeV

Use Fourier analysis in RA for E > 2 EeV

below 2 EeV, non-negligible amplitudes at anti-sidereal frequency suggest possible leftover systematics could be present at sidereal frequency

Use East-West method below 2 EeV (uncertainties larger but always safe)

systematic effects are the same in East & West sectors

- \rightarrow difference between both rates gives clean measurement of derivative of modulation from which the actual modulation can be recovered
- E-W has smaller sensitivity than usual Fourier analysis

use SD1500 array and E-W for 0.25 EeV < E < 2 EeV (θ < 60°)

For E < 0.25 EeV, smaller SD750 array has actually better sensitivity

use SD750 array and E-W for 0.03 EeV < E < 0.25 EeV (θ < 55°)

EQUATORIAL DIPOLE FROM 1 PeV TO 100 EeV



amplitudes grow, from below 1% to above 10%

phases shift, from ~ GC to ~ opposite direction

Suggests transition from anisotropies of Galactic origin below ~1 EeV to extragalactic origin above few EeV

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EQUATORIAL DIPOLE RESULTS

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	E [EeV]	Ν	d_\perp	$lpha_d[^\circ]$	$P(\geq d_{\perp})$	d_{\perp}^{99}	d_{\perp}^{UL}
East-West	0.03125 - 0.0625	432,155	$0.010\substack{+0.010\\-0.004}$	112 ± 71	0.54	0.028	0.033
(SD750)	0.0625 - 0.125	924,856	$0.006\substack{+0.006\\-0.003}$	-44 ± 68	0.50	0.016	0.020
	0.125 - 0.25	488,752	$0.002\substack{+0.008\\-0.002}$	-31 ± 108	0.94	0.019	0.020
East-West	0.25 - 0.5	770,316	$0.006\substack{+0.005\\-0.003}$	-135 ± 64	0.45	0.015	0.018
(SD1500)	0.5 - 1.0	2,388,467	$0.005\substack{+0.003\\-0.002}$	-99 ± 43	0.20	0.008	0.011
	1 - 2	1,243,103	$0.0018\substack{+0.0047\\-0.0002}$	-69 ± 100	0.87	0.011	0.011
Fourier	2 - 4	283,074	$0.005\substack{+0.004\\-0.002}$	-11 ± 55	0.34	0.010	0.014
(SD1500)	4 - 8	88,325	$0.010\substack{+0.007\\-0.904}$	69 ± 46	0.23	0.018	0.026
	8 - 16	27,271	$0.056^{+0.012}_{-0.010}$	97 ± 12	$2.3 imes10^{-6}$	0.033	
	16 - 32	7,664	$0.075\substack{+0.023\\-0.018}$	80 ± 17	$1.5 imes10^{-3}$	0.063	_
	\geq 32	1,993	$0.13\substack{+0.05 \\ -0.03}$	152 ± 19	$5.3 imes 10^{-3}$	0.12	_
	≥ 8	36,928	$0.060^{+0.010}_{-0.009}$	98 ± 9	$1.4 imes 10^{-9}$	0.028	_

SEARCH FOR OVERDENSITIES AT THE HIGHEST ENERGIES (E > 32 EeV)



The Centaurus A region

_{__} 80 local p-value 75 70 10⁻² 11111 65 60 10⁻³ 55 10⁻⁴ 111111 50 10⁻⁵ 45 40 10⁻⁶ 35 10⁻⁷ 25 30 5 10 15 20 Search radius (deg)

Cen A is the closest radiogalaxy D ~ 3.6 Mpc

Scan: $1^{\circ} \le \psi \le 30^{\circ}$ $32 \text{ EeV} \le \text{E}_{\text{th}} \le 80 \text{ EeV}$

Most significant excess: $E_{th} = 37 \text{ EeV}$ $\psi = 28^{\circ}$ $N_{obs} = 203, n_{exp} = 141$ local p-value=1.5x10⁻⁷ post-trial: 3.9 σ

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MEDIUM-SCALE ANISOTROPIES AT THE HIGHEST ENERGIES



A. di Matteo et al. (Auger and TA colls.), ICRC 2019

Likelihood test for anisotropy with astrophysical catalogs

- Take into account that brighter objects are expected to contribute more to the flux
- account for attenuation due to CR interactions

Likelihood Method

Probability maps:

- Weight objects by their relative flux in the corresponding electromagnetic wavelength
- Different attenuation due to different distances to sources taken into account
- A smearing angle θ around each object to take into account magnetic deflections > First free parameter
- Source fraction (rest isotropic) ➤ Second free parameter (f_{aniso})
- Directional exposure normalized to the total number of events

Test statistic defined as the ratio of likelihoods: TS = 2 Log [L (ψ , f_{aniso})/ L (f_{aniso} = 0)]

Scan in energy thresholds 32 EeV \leq Eth \leq 80 EeV [1 EeV steps]

Test 4 different catalogs:

- **y-emitting AGNs:** selected using Fermi 3FHL weighted by $\Phi(E>10 \text{ GeV}) \rightarrow 33$ sources (including Cen A, Fornax A, M87, Mkn421): mostly blazars and FR-I radio-galaxies

- **Starburst Galaxies:** weighted by Φ(1.4 Ghz), selected from Ackermann+ 12 and Becker+ 09, with data from HEASARC Radio Master Catalog, 32 sources (including NGC4945, NGC253, Circinus, M82 M83...)

- Swift-BAT: weighted by $\Phi(14-195 \text{ keV})$, both radio loud and quiet AGNs , >300 sources

- **2MRS:** weighted by $\Phi(k$ -band), traces local matter (some 10⁴ sources), Local group excluded (D>1Mpc)

Likelihood test for anisotropy with astrophysical catalogs



Catalog	$E_{ m th}$	TS	Local p-value	post-trial	f_{aniso}	$\boldsymbol{\theta}$
Starburst	38 EeV	29.5	4×10^{-7}	4.5 σ	$11^{+5}_{-4}\%$	15^{+5}_{-4} °
γ–AGN	39 EeV	17.8	1×10^{-4}	3.1 σ	$6^{+4}_{-3}\%$	14^{+6}_{-4} °
Swift-BAT	38 EeV	22.2	$2 imes 10^{-5}$	3.7 σ	$8^{+4}_{-3}\%$	$15^{+6}_{-4}{}^{\circ}$
2MRS	40 EeV	22.0	2×10^{-5}	3.7 σ	$19^{+10}_{-7}\%$	$15^{+7\circ}_{-4}$

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ANISOTROPIES SEARCH SUMMARY:

- dipolar modulation of 6.6 % amplitude for E > 8 EeV
- Hints of Intermediate angular scale anisotropy at ~40 EeV
- No evidence of small scale anisotropies

→ PROBABLY INDICATING LARGE DEFLECTIONS IN INTERGALACTIC B FIELD (consistent with heavy composition at highest energies)

ORIGIN OF THE DIPOLE

- Too large amplitude to be Compton-Getting

- Local matter inhomogeneously distributed: if CR sources save a similar distribution \rightarrow dipole of CR expected

- If intergalactic MF large and/or Z sufficiently large, CR can propagate diffusively in XGMF \rightarrow dipolar anisotropy in direction of the closest source(s)

Propagation in turbulent XGMF: spectrum and arrival direction significantly affected

B: rms amplitude, I_c : coherence length

Critical energy $r_L(E_c) = I_c \rightarrow$ for $E < E_c$ large deflections for distances $< I_c$

$$r_{\rm L} = \frac{E}{ZeB}$$

Larmor radius

m=5/3

Kolmogorov

 $E_{\rm c} = ZeBl_{\rm c} \simeq 0.9Z \frac{B}{\rm nG} \frac{l_{\rm c}}{\rm Mpc} \, {\rm EeV}$

$$l_D(E) \simeq l_c \left[4 \left(\frac{E}{E_c} \right)^2 + a_I \left(\frac{E}{E_c} \right) + a_L \left(\frac{E}{E_c} \right)^{2-m} \right]$$

For a source at distance r_s

Diffusion length: deflection ~1 rad

$$l_D(E) \simeq r_s$$

Diffusion Quasi rectilinear

Angular distribution wrt the source direction

Flux from one source: diffusion leads to enhancement of the density around it Steady source Finite emission time

$$n(E, r_{\rm s})4\pi r_{\rm s}^2 c \langle \cos\theta(E, r_{\rm s}) \rangle = Q(E)$$

density enhanced wrt rectilinear propagation by



 Δ = 3 $\langle \cos \theta \rangle$ = 3/ ξ

Angular distribution from one source:



Dipolar amplitude: $\Delta = 3 \langle \cos \theta \rangle$

Dipole amplitude from a distribution of sources

$$\vec{\Delta}(E) = \sum_{i,j} \frac{f_j n_i^{(j)}}{n_t} \vec{\Delta}_i^{(j)}(E)$$

$$n_t(E) = \sum_{i,j} f_j n_i^{(j)}(E)$$

mixed composition scenario

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 $E_{max} = Z 6 EeV, \gamma = 2$ ($f_p, f_{He}, f_C, f_{Si}, f_{Fe}$)=(0.19,0.19,0.4,.19,0.03)



- Dipole amplitude expected to increase with energy

- few % dipole amplitude at 10 EeV can easily arise

Harari, SM, Roulet, PRD 2015

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SUMMARY

- LSA in the bin above 8 EeV has the most significant departure from isotropy, with $d = 0.066^{+0.012}_{-0.008}$ and 125° away from GC, indicative of an extragalactic origin
- dipole amplitude above 4 EeV grows with energy
- epold 0.01
- dipole amplitudes below 8 EeV are not significant 99% CL upper bounds on d_{\perp} are at the level of 1 to 3%
- RA phases suggest that anisotropy has a predominantly Galactic origin below 1 EeV and a predominantly extragalactic origin above few EeV
- Most significant overdensity: (l,b) = $(310^\circ, 17^\circ)$ E_{th} = 38 EeV, ψ = 27°, local Li-Ma: 5.6 σ (post-trial p-value=2.5%)
- Centaurus A: most significant excess at E_{th} =37 EeV ψ = 28° (3.9 σ post-trial significance)
- Starburst Galaxies: best rejection of pure isotropic hypothesis at $E_{th} = 38 \text{ EeV}$, $f_{aniso} = 11\%$, $\theta = 15^{\circ}$ (4.5 σ post-trial significance) The region around the most significant excess is populated by a number of highly contributing candidate sources in the considered catalogs







BACKUP

Model Excess Map

Model Excess Map - Starburst galaxies - E > 38 EeV



Sources most contributing to the likelihood analysis

Starburst Galaxies

y-emitting AGNs

Swift-BAT

MCG-06-30-015 313.29

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Src	I	b	excess-weight	Src	l b	excess-weight	Src	Ι	b	excess-weight
NGC4945	305.27	13.34	100.0%	CenA	309.52 19.42	100.0%	CenA	309.52	19.42	100.0%
NGC253	97.36	-87.97	77.7%	Mkn421	179.83 65.03	3 22.6%	Circinus	311.33	-3.81	18.0%
M83	314 58	31 97	27 70%	NGC1275	150 58 -13 20	142%	NGC4945	305.27	13.34	12.9%
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	170.10	-3.01	ZZ.4*/0	M07	240.10 -30.0	11.0%	NGC6300	328.49	-14.05	3.3%
NGCIU68	1/2.10	-51.93	4.8%	INIO/	203.10 1449	1.0%	NGC5506	339.15	53.81	3.2%
NGC1808	241.21	-35.90	3.8%	CenB	309.72 1.73	1.3%	MCG-05-23-016	262.74	17.23	3.0%
NGC1672	268.78	-38.99	2.8%	Mkn501	63.60 38.80	5.7%	NGC7172	15.13	-53.07	2.5%
NGC4631	142.81	8422	2.2%	APLibrae	340.68 27.58	2.3%	NGC3783	287.46	22.95	2.5%
NGC1365	237.96	-54.60	2 10/0	PMNJ0816-1311	234.80 12.12	16%	NGC4507	299.64	22.86	2.1%
NCCASSS	200.50	62.27	120/-				IC4329A	317.50	30.92	2.1%
NGC4000	233.34	02.3/	1.3%				NGC4388	2/9.12	/4.34	2.1%
MDI	284.37	66.28	1.3%				NGC/582	348.08	-65.70	1.9%
NGC362/	241.96	64.42	1.3%				NGC4151	155.08	/5.06	1.8%
NGC2903	208.7	44.54	1.2%				ESO103-035	329.78	-23.18	1.4%
M51	104.85	68.56	1.1%				NGCT365	23/.96	-5460	1.4%
NGC660	141 61	47.35	11%				NGC6814	29.35	-16.01	1.3%
NCC3628	2/0.85	64.78	110/-				401344-60	309.7/	151	1.3%
1003020	240.00	04.70	1.1~10				NGC3081	259.02	25.03	1.2%
							NGC7314	2/.14	-59.74	1.1%
							NGC3227	216.99	55.45	1.1%
							NGC3281	2/3.01	19.78	1.1%
							NGC5728	331.32	38.10	1.1% 16

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1.0%

Allowing also for the presence of quadrupolar components

Energy [EeV]	d_i	Q_{ij}
4 - 8	$d_x = -0.001 \pm 0.008$	$Q_{zz} = -0.003 \pm 0.039$
	$d_y = 0.008 \pm 0.008$	$Q_{xx} - Q_{yy} = -0.004 \pm 0.028$
	$d_z = -0.014 \pm 0.022$	$Q_{xy} = 0.006 \pm 0.014$
		$Q_{xz} = -0.008 \pm 0.018$
		$Q_{yz} = -0.005 \pm 0.018$
≥ 8	$d_x = -0.004 \pm 0.012$	$Q_{zz} = 0.032 \pm 0.061$
	$d_y = 0.054 \pm 0.012$	$Q_{xx} - Q_{yy} = 0.077 \pm 0.048$
	$d_z = -0.011 \pm 0.035$	$Q_{xy} = 0.038 \pm 0.024$
		$Q_{xz} = 0.015 \pm 0.029$
		$Q_{yz} = -0.016 \pm 0.029$

Dipole and quadrupole components in the two energy bins. The *x* axis is in the direction $\alpha = 0^{\circ}$

no significant quadrupolar components
 → dipolar amplitudes consistent with dipole only results



For ρ =10⁻⁴ Mpc⁻³ hot spot at 15-20 deg and 3-5 sigma significance