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Search around TeV PWNe candidates

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Second search for PWNe and PWNe candidates using Fermi-LAT data :

- Search in the off pulse (see poster by J.Lande)
- Search at high energy around TeV sources (This work)

Why?

PWNe are the most populous class of Galactic sources in the TeV energy range ~1/3 of TeV Galactic sources are UNID \rightarrow potential PWNe \rightarrow TeV information on the position and extension could improve sensitivity.

What are we looking for ?

New GeV detections

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- Study morphology if GeV detection to avoid bias in the spectrum
- Constraints on the SED models either by detection or non-detection → search for IC spectra.

Source selection





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2- PWNe are Galactic sources \rightarrow we selected ₊₁₈₀ sources within 5° of the Galactic plane. $\rightarrow \sim 80$ sources remaining

3- All clearly identified SNRs will be included in the first Fermi-LAT catalog of SNRs (talk by T. Brandt): \rightarrow 63 sources remaining

4- We removed the Galactic center region for reliability \rightarrow 60 sources remaining

5- We removed known complex bright sources (Crab nebula and Vela-X)

 \rightarrow 58 sources remaining

http://tevcat.uchicago.edu/ 3







Data > 10 GeV and Clean events (substantial reduction in instrumental background above 10GeV).

- TeV sources have a small extension compared to Fermi PSF \rightarrow best PSF needed
- 10 GeV \rightarrow reduce Galactic diffuse emission and pulsars

Starting point : 1FHL catalog (see presentation of D. Paneque, Thursday 1)

 \rightarrow 22 sources within 0.5° of a pulsar. 2 runs :

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- without the pulsar included in the model
- with the pulsar included in the model (2FGL catalog spectrum fixed)
- Morphological analysis : TeV shape, Point, Gaussian



Results – Flux vs Index





Error bars² = statistical² + systematic²

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An example K3 nebula = HESS J1420

^{Space T}K3^e nebula and the Rabbit = Radio/X-Ray complex. Discovery of PSR J1420-6048 and PSR J1418-6058 -> TeV = good PWN

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Background subtracted counts map smoothed with a Gaussian of 0.27°.

Emission from the Rabbit disappears above 30 GeV \rightarrow PSR J1418-609.

K3 is detected but it might suffer contamination from PSR J1420-6048.

Population – IC peak

A difference in energy flux is expected between the TeV and the GeV energy ranges. This difference depends on the position and shape of the IC peak.



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Using the TeV and GeV spectra we fitted the peak as a log parabola (as done in Albert et al. (2008)).

 $\frac{dN}{dE} = N_0 \times \left(\frac{E}{E_0}\right)^{-\left[\alpha + \beta \times \log\left(\frac{E}{E_b}\right)\right]} \qquad \qquad \alpha + \beta \times \log\left(\frac{E_{\text{peak}}}{E_b}\right) = 2.0$

Using the mean $E_{_{peak}}$ and α we determined the mean ratio between the TeV and the GeV flux.

The mean position of the peak is ~500 GeV.





No source are more than 2σ from the mean ratio except HESS J1804-216.

Ajello et al. $(2012) \rightarrow \text{HESS J1804-216} = \text{hadronic}$





Age increases \rightarrow B decreases \rightarrow Synchrotron decreases \rightarrow X-Ray decreases \rightarrow L(GeV)/L(X) increases.

The same trend is found in the GeV energy range.



Most detected sources are below an efficiency of 10%. Measured distances suffer large uncertainties. PWNe candidates are powered by young pulsars with a spin-down power $\dot{E} \in [10^{36}, 10^{39}] erg s$.



Conclusions



Among 58 sources:

- 15 PWNe candidates
- Constraining upper limits found
- The maximum of the IC peak is on average closer to the GeV energy range
- Correlations between GeV and X-Ray fluxes seems consistent with relation between TeV and X-ray fluxes derived in Mattana et al. 2009
- PWNe observed by Fermi are powered by young ($\tau_c \in [1,30] kyr$) and powerful pulsars ($\dot{E} \in [10^{36}, 10^{39}] erg s^{-1}$)

Stay tuned \rightarrow Paper will soon be submitted

