Extended TeV Sources

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HESS Observations of Galactic Sources

- Most HESS detections in the Galactic Plane are extended sources
- Largest Source is Vela Jr with diameter of 2 degrees

(F. Aharonian et al., Astron. Astrophys. 437 (2005) L7-L10)



Extended Source Sensitivity

ACT's rely on angular resolution for excellent background rejection.

When the source size is large compared to PSF, sensitivity is reduced by a factor of

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\sim \sigma_{detector} / \sigma_{source}
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When the source size is large compared to the FOV, sensitivity is reduced much more.



Milagro TeV Observatory for Extended Sources

- Detect Particles in Extensive Air Showers from Cherenkov light created in 60m x 80 m x 6m pond containing filtered water.
- Reconstruct shower direction to ~ 0.5 degrees from the time different photodetectors are hit.
- 1700 Hz trigger rate mostly due to Extensive Air Showers created by cosmic rays
- Field of view is ~2 sr (± 45 degrees) and the average duty factor is >90%





Point Source Search - Weighted Analysis



Extended Source Search Weighted Analysis



A Closer Look at the Galactic Plane



Galactic Plane Excess: $(-2^{\circ} < b < 2^{\circ})$ Consider Region I = 20^{\circ}-100^{\circ} Weighted Map: 7.5 σ Exclude the Cygnus Region: I=20^{\circ}-75^{\circ} Weighted Map: 5.8 σ



Galactic longitude 20-100 includes Cygnus region



Galactic longitude 20-75 excludes Cygnus region

0.0015

31.62 / 17

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0.001183+0.000211 DQ. p1 1.416± 0.264 0.001 0.0001636±0.0000733 p2 0.0005 0 -0.0005 σ=1.42 +/- .26 -0.001 -0.0015 -10 2 4 6 8 10 Galactic Latitude (deg) -2 -8 -6 0 10

Integral Flux: Milagro & EGRET



R1 (Gal. Long. 40 to 100 deg)

- Based on 3ys of data, 4.5σ
- Flux(>3.5 TeV)
 - = $(6.8 \pm 1.5 \pm 2.2) \times 10^{-11}$ cm⁻² sec⁻¹ sr⁻¹
- Spectral Index to connect with EGRET = $-2.61 \pm 0.03 \pm 0.05$
- With outriggers we can measure the spectrum at TeV energies
- \cdot 2 more years of data needed for ± 0.1 on spectral index at TeV energies

R2 (Gal. Long. 140 to 200 deg)

- Flux(>3.5 TeV)
 < 4 x 10⁻¹¹ cm⁻² sec⁻¹ sr⁻¹ (99% c.l.)
- Spectral index to connect with EGRET < -2.66 (99% c.l.)
- Not yet a crisis but spectrum may be softer in outer Galaxy
- · Additional data will tell

Cygnus Region Morphology



EGRET Unidentified Sources in the Cygnus Region



Hot Spot

Both EGRET sources have hard spectrum of 1.86 and 2.09

Milagro flux is ~ 1 σ below extrapolation of combined 2 source EGRET spectrum

Neither EGRET source is variable

Proposed Counterparts of the 2 EGRET sources

- Blazar 2Jy@ 5GHz (Mukherjee et al. 2000, Halpern et al. 2001)
- _Young Pulsar with Nebula (Roberts et al. 2002)



EGRET Data >1 GeV

Smooth EGRET >1 GeV γ-rays by EGRET's energy dependent psf



Slice of EGRET Data

- Cut on the Dec. band around Milagro's bright spot
- 2 point sources or 1 extended source?
- EGRET catalog sources were fit as point sources ONLY
- How close together can GLAST resolve 2 sources of this signal strength?



What's Next?

miniHAWC (High Altitude Water Cherenkov)

- Reuse Milagro's 900 PMTs and DAQ system
- Build pond at extreme altitude (Tibet 4300m or Mexico 4200m)
- Incorporate new design
 - Optical isolation between PMTs
 - Larger PMT spacing (5 m vs 3 m in Milagro)





~\$2-3 M for complete detector construction

~15x sensitivity of Milagro

Crab Nebula at 4 σ in 1 day

60 mCrab at 5 σ in 1 year on entire sky

NSF proposal to be submitted in 2006 to begin operation in 2008

One Year Survey Sensitivity





observed TeV diffuse Galactic plane.

Summary

- Work this next year includes
 - _Milagro Run Manager
 - _Publication of the Cygnus Region Morphology
 - _Development of Energy Resolution for Milagro
 - _Search of Milagro data for GRBs coincident with SWIFT
 - _Monte Carlo and Budget preparation for miniHAWC proposal
 - _GLAST DC2 and calculations of relevant GLAST sensitivities to GRBs and steady