Radiowave Detection of Neutrinos

Cosmogenic Neutrinos via GZK-effect

 $p\gamma_{CMB} \rightarrow \Delta \rightarrow N\pi; \ \pi \rightarrow \mu \overline{\nu}_{\mu}; \ \mu \rightarrow e \overline{\nu}_{e} \nu_{\mu}$

Also $\gamma\gamma_{CMB} \rightarrow e^+e^- \Rightarrow$ protons and photons have limited range.



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Small $\sigma_{\nu} \Rightarrow$ use huge target (Antarctic ice sheet)



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- ARA (South Pole, Antarctica)
- ARIANNA (Moore's Bay and South Pole, Antarctica)
- ANITA/PUEO (NASA balloon, Antarctica)
 - HiCal (NASA balloon, Antarctica; ANITA-calibrator [MEPhI/KU])
- RNO-G (Greenland); first deployment summer 2020→2021
- RET-CR / RET-N (Taylor Dome, Antarctica) RADAR technique!
- BEACON: Scan down from mountaintop for upcoming radio
- TAROGE-M: Scanning down from Antarctic mountaintop down for upcoming radio signals
 - $\nu_{\tau} + X \rightarrow \tau + X$; $\tau \rightarrow \text{EM}$ shower \Rightarrow radio emissions
- AERA/GRAND-200K in-air radio-emissions from Earth-skimming ν

Time Limitations⇒focus on ice-target experiments (idea originated with Markov & Zheleznykh; INR, Moscow, 1986)

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Askaryan Radio Array: in-ice ν detector



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ARA neutrino sensitivity limits



ARIANNA concept



ARIANNA polarization and $\delta\theta$ measurements



Image: A matrix and a matrix

ANITA: synoptic strategy sensitive to ν and Extensive Air Showers (EAS) from UHECR

Scan Antarctic ice (low-noise environment)



Signal Type (Neutrino VS. EAS)



UHECR and ν have opposite signal polarity!

(due to inversion after surface reflection of UHECR)



Filling Balloon at Launch



The ANITA Instrument





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ANITAs

ANITA-Lite	ANITA-I	ANITA-II	ANITA-III	ANITA-IV
THE REAL				
2003-2004	2006-2007	2008-2009	2014-2015	2016
18 days, 2	35 days, 32	30 days, 40	22 days, 48	29 days, 48
antennas	antennas	antennas	antennas	antennas
Piggy-back on TIGER	Multi-band, Pol-independent trigger	Multi-band, VPol trigger	Full-band HPol + VPol trigger	Full-band, Lin-Pol trigger
Analyzed	Analyzed	Analyzed	Recently analyzed	Analysis Ongoing

A3 Mystery Evt (15717147 vs. 68298837)



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caveats

- 'Mystery' based on only one observable (POLARITY)!
 - Neutrino possibility ruled out by Earth absorption
- Waveforms shown after unfolding ANITA detector response
 - All band-limited signals look identical
 - Mystery events otherwise indistinguishable from UHECR in FFT, etc.
- These routines are NOT C++ ROOT standard, and are custom codes!
- Antarctic surface (and sub-surface) not monolithic
 - Ridges, crevasses, etc.
- Radio from UHECR hitting surface is also accompanied by
 - "Transition radiation"
 - "Stopping radiation"
 - "There are more things in heaven and Earth than are dreamed of in your philosophy" (Hamlet)

HiCal (MEPhI/KU) calibrates surface reflections

Balloon-borne (barbeque-lighter) transmitter separated from ANITA by 200–800 km.



SPUNK Transmitter orientation measurements

Calibrate surface reflectivity to Expectation



Tagline: Wrong polarity likelihood <1% per CR

Conventional explanation for mystery events

transverse current



coherent TB--S Prohira--K.D. de Vries



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ANITA-4: 4 more ME $(3.2\sigma (7/20))$



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Sub-surface reflectors?

Reflections on the anomalous ANITA events: the Antarctic subsurface as a possible explanation

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D event overlaid with reflections

Testing Sub-surface reflector model



Triboelectric Effect? (see M. Mikhailova talk from Tuesday!)

- Analyze data from RICE and AURA experiments at South Pole
- Perform statistical correlation between trigger rates for each experiment and local wind speed
- Find:
 - Clear evidence for enhanced radio-frequency emissions during high wind times

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- Threshold ${\sim}10{\text{-}}12$ meters/second
- Frequency spectrum analysis⇒model/simulation under construction
 - Mikhailova/E. Bondarev

Radar detection of ultra-high energy showers



Time-domain radar echo



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Data signal with right time and frequency structure!



Measured Power(ω)



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• ANITA-IV = last flight in ANITA series

- PUEO proposed as NASA 'Pioneer Class' mission
- Beam-forming interferometry at trigger level
 - Reduce trigger threshold from SNR ${\sim}6{\rightarrow}$ SNR ${\sim}2$ based on ARA experimence
- Antarctic flight 2024
- RET radar, Taylor Dome, Antarctica 2024

2024+ IceCube Gen-2 radio (10 PeV-10 EeV)



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