Milagro TeV Galactic Unidentified Sources

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Milagro Gamma Ray Observatory @ 8600' altitude near Los Alamos, NM

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The Instrument: Milagro

- Detect Particles in Extensive Air Showers from Cherenkov light created in 60m x 80 m x 8m pond containing filtered water
- Field of view is ~2 sr and the average duty factor is >90%
- 1700 Hz trigger rate mostly due to Extensive Air Showers created by cosmic rays
- Reconstruct shower direction to ~0.75° from the time different PMTs are hit





Inside the Milagro Detector



Array of 175 Outriggers





Pond Area is 3600 m² operational in January 2001 Outrigger Array area is ~ 30000 m² operational in June 2004

Angular resolution improved from 0.75 to 0.4 deg

Background Rejection in Milagro

Hadronic showers contain penetrating component: μ 's & hadrons

 Cosmic-ray showers lead to clumpier bottom layer hit distributions

Gamma-ray showers give smooth hit distributions





Milagro Background Rejection (Cont'd)



0.5

5

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6

Improves sensitivity by ~2x





Milagro sees the Galactic plane from longitude $\sim 30^{\circ}$ to $\sim 220^{\circ}$



Milagro Survey













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Abdo, et al. ApJ 2007

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Wang, et al. ICRC 2007

Tibet AS_γ preliminary detections of 3 Milagro sources

- C1 J2044+36: 5.5σ pre-trials
 - no counterparts
 - < 2.00
- C2 J2031+33: 5.3σ pre-trials
 - no counterparts
 - possible extension of MGRO J2019+37
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- MGRO J2019+37: 10.9σ
 - Extended source 1.10 ± 0.50 (top hat dia.)
 - Possible Counterparts
 - GeV J2020+3658, PWN G75.2+0.1
 - MGRO J2031+41: 6.6o (54.9o post-trials)
 - Possible Counterparts:
 - 3EG J2033+4118, GEV J2035+4214
 - TEV J2032+413 (¹/₃ of Milagro flux)
 - $3.0^{\circ} \pm 0.9^{\circ}$ (top hat dia.)

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Differential flux [cm⁻² s⁻¹ TeV⁻¹]

129 EGRET sources (>100 MeV) in Milagro fov

 $\alpha = 2.0$

 $\alpha = 2.3$ $\alpha = 2.4$

 $\alpha = 2.5$

1e-08

1e-09

 E^2 dN/dE at 100 MeV EGRET Measurements (ergs/cm²/s)

• 20 of the gro Equal Energy Flux EGRET E U 1e-11 ergs TeV sources are > 220 at sigma in and 1e-12 Milagro Flux dN/dE Milagro Flux map 1e-13 1e-12 1e-11 1e-10

Flat Spectrum EGRET sources break



Some Steeper Spectrum Sources also break



TeV Diffuse Emission from the Galactic Plane

Previous measurements

- EGRET: EGRET observations to 20 GeV indicate a "GeV excess", harder γ-ray spectrum than predicted on the basis of local cosmic-ray spectrum and intensity measurements (Hunter et al. 1997)
- Milagro: >3.5 TeV, 40<I<100 → indication of "TeV excess"; @ 12 TeV, Cygnus region → 3 to 7 times higher then cosmic-propgation model GALPROP (Atkins et al. 2005, Abdo et al. 2007)
- **HESS**: Galactic Center Ridge, diffuse emission correlated with giant molecular clouds, also herder encetrum enhancement by a factor 3-9 above 1 TeV (Aharc



Diffuse Emission

A4 -weighted sky map



Diffuse Emission

The Diffuse Galactic Plane



TeV Diffuse Emission from the Galactic Plane with Milagro

Comparison with model predictions

- Compare flux and longitudinal and latitudinal emission profiles to model predictions
- We used GALPROP for the comparison (Strong et al. 2004)
- GALPROP is a model calculating cosmic-ray propagation numerically
- Emissivities are calculated based on propagated CR spectra and gas and radiation densities in the Galaxy
- two versions: "conventional" → reproduces local CR measurements; "optimized" → tuned to match EGRET data

Flux Profiles: I Galactic Longitude





The Model:

- Inverse Compton target photons extend to higher latitudes
- Pion decay due to interactions with matter at low latitudes
- Inverse Compton flux increases towards inner Galaxy

Flux Profiles: II Galactic Latitude





Compare the shape:

One test: perform Gaussian fit and compare FWHM

	Data	GALPROP
Inner Galaxy:	2.1±0.7	4.1
Cygnus:	4.7±0.5	6.9

Flux Profiles: II Galactic Latitude





Compare the shape:

Better test: perform a χ^2 fit of 2 components predicted by GALPROP to data

Prob. Inner Galaxy: 5.7 x 10⁻¹ Cygnus: 1.1 x 10⁻⁴

Best fit in Cygnus: Increase pion contribution by a factor of ~7

Flux Profiles: II Galactic Latitude



Spectrum Inner Galaxy





Spectrum Cygnus Region

- region of intense star formation activity
- Cygnus OB2, VLA SNR detection, XMM extended x-ray source observation,

TeV 2032+4130, MGRO J2031+41

• GALPROP:

again dominant IC contribution, but measured profile agrees better with pion prediction of GALPROP

 remaining excess can be explained with a only a few strong young proton accelerators, where the protons interact with clouds at only 100 pc distance from the source (estimation based on Gabici & Ahahronian et al. 2007)

The future: HAWC

DAQ trailer

Road

- Increase Altitude to 4100 m from 2650 m
- Increase Area to 22,000 m² from 4,000 m² (top layer) or 2,20
 HAWC Tank Array in GEANT 4
- Reuse 900 M
 electronics
- Cost \$7.4M
- HAWC 10 1
 - Detect Crab

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HAWC's Field of View



Conclusion

- Milagro GP survey:
 - 8 sources, 7 new
 - 4 high significance and 2 low significance coincide with EGRET GeV sources
 - 4 of these six sources appear extended
 - Connecting spectrum between EGRET GeV and Milagro TeV: -2.3 (except Geminga)
 - Four assiociated with PWN, 1 SNR
 - Diffuse emission excess in Cygnus: a few young accelerators
 - Need to be careful when disentangle diffuse and source emission