Astro- and Particle Physics with UHECRs

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The Sources Of UHECRs

1 Gpc

 $\sim 10^{-2}$ galaxies / Mpc 3

Redshift Horizon

 $I(z)/I(0) \propto \int_{E_0}^{\infty} (1+z) \; \left(E \left(1+z
ight)
ight)^{-2} \, \mathrm{d}E / \int_{E_0}^{\infty} E^{-2} \, \mathrm{d}E = (1+z)^{-1}$, $\chi_{\mathsf{loss}} \sim$ 5 Gpc

Source Evolution

star formation rate from B.E. Robertson et al. Astrophys.J. 802 (2015) no.2, L19

UHECR Energy Loss (20 EeV p)



intensity attenuation p+ $\gamma_{\rm CMB} \rightarrow$ p + e^+ + e^- , $\chi_{\rm loss} \sim$ 1 Gpc

UHECR Energy Loss (50 EeV p)

intensity attenuation p+ $\gamma_{\rm CMB}$ ightarrow p/n + $\pi^{0/+}$, $\chi_{\rm loss}$ \sim 100 Mpc

The Local Large Scale Structure



Observation of a Dipolar Anisotropy of UHECR (E > 8 EeV)



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Energy Dependence of UHECR Dipole





"Hot Spot" (Telescope Array, E > 57 EeV, \sim 3 σ)



Total events: 143 Observed: 34 Expected : 13.5 Best circle center: RA=144.3°, Dec=+40.3° Best circle radius: 25° Local significance : 5 σ Global significance : 3 σ

Intermediate-scale Anisotropy (Pierre Auger Observatory)

starburst galaxies (E > 39 EeV, , 9.7%, 12.9°, 4.0 σ)

Observed Excess Map - E > 39 EeV

Model Excess Map - Starburst galaxies - E > 39 EeV



Observed Excess Map - E > 60 EeV



Model Excess Map - Active galactic nuclei - E > 60 EeV



 γ AGN (E > 60 EeV, 6.7%, 6.9°, 2.7σ)

UHECR Energy Spectrum





Energy Spectrum and Composition $E_{max} = R_0 Z$



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$A + \gamma$ Interactions at Source \rightarrow Origin of "Ankle"?



$A + \gamma$ Interactions at Source single $A_{inj} \rightarrow E_{max} = E_0 A$



$A + \gamma$ Interactions at Source galactic mix $\rightarrow E_{\max} = \text{complicated}$



Particle Physics at UHE

ATLAS@LHC



- $E_{beam} = 6.5 \text{ TeV}$
- $\sqrt{s} = 13 \text{ TeV}$
- 7 kt detector

Pierre Auger Observatory*



- $E_{\text{beam}} > 1 \times 10^8 \text{ TeV}$
- \sqrt{s} > 400 TeV**
- 20 kt water-Cherenkov
- 25 Gt air calorimeter

LHC and UHECR Luminosity



Proton+Proton Cross Section at $\sqrt{s} = 39$ and 66 TeV



R. Ulrich for the Pierre Auger Coll., Proc. 34th ICRC, arXiv:1509.03732

Muon Production in Air Showers

$$R_{\mu} \sim N_{\mu}/(1.5 \times 10^7)$$



Pierre Auger Coll., PRD D91 (2015) 3, 032003

Conclusions

UHECR in 2004

UHECR in 2018



Las Meninas by Diego Velazquez 1656

Las Meninas by Pablo Picasso 1957

Stay tuned for AugerPrime and TAx4 Results!

1 Gpc



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