UHECR and HADRONIC INTERACTIONS

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"Hadron-Hadron and Cosmic Rays Interactions at multi-TeV Energies"

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Structures in the CR energy spectrum



Total pp Cross Section



PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS

~50 years of UHECR

EXTREMELY ENERGETIC COSMIC-RAY EVENT*

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(shielded) (3.8) 7 (17) (19) (17)14 (74) SHOWER CORE 1.8 km ----

Hadronic interaction Modeling Energy

it follows on any reasonable shower model that the energy of the primary particle was about 10^{19} ev. Taking the usual estimate 3×10^{-6} gauss for the galactic magnetic field, one finds the radius of curvature of the path of a proton of such energy to be about 10^4 light years. Since, according to current estimates, the radius of the galactic halo is only about five times this value, while the thickness of the galactic disk is about five or ten times smaller, it seems certain that the primary particle acquired its energy outside our galaxy.

An important question is whether the primary particle was a proton or a heavier nucleus.

Mass A

Measure a single slice of the shower at the ground

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Hadronic interaction Modeling



Different components

Measure a single slice of the shower at the ground

The **Fly's Eye** Detector concept



"Quasi-Calorimetric" Energy Measurement

Fluorescence Light

Artists View of Hybrid Set-Up











$E \simeq 10^{20} \text{ eV}$



Longitudinal Development Shape studies N_{max} X_{\max} N(t) $N_{max}/2$ N_{\min} $t_{1/2}^{left}$ $t_{1/2}^{right}$ tmax ιo $t = X/X_0$



$$\langle X_A(E) \rangle \simeq \left\langle X_p\left(\frac{E}{A}\right) \right\rangle$$

$\langle X_p(E) \rangle \simeq X_0 + D_p \log_{10} E$

$$\langle X_A \rangle \simeq \langle X_p \rangle - D_p \log_{10} A$$





 $\langle \log A \rangle$

$$\langle \ln A \rangle_E = \frac{\sum_A \phi_A(E) \ln A}{\sum_A \phi_A(E)}$$



Measurements of Composition evolution.

Obtain the average mass and its variation with energy

 $\langle \ln A \rangle_E = \frac{\sum_A \phi_A(E) \ln A}{\sum_A \phi_A(E)}$

 $\langle \ln A \rangle_E = \frac{\langle X_{\max}(E) \rangle - X_p(E)}{D_p}$ $\frac{d\langle \ln A \rangle_E}{d\ln E} = 1$ $\frac{D_{\text{exp}}}{D}$

AUGER





Theoretical curves:

$$|\langle X_p \rangle_{\text{Model 1}} - \langle X_p \rangle_{\text{Model 2}}| \lesssim 20 \text{ g cm}^{-2}$$
$$D_p = \frac{d\langle X_{\text{max}} \rangle}{d \log_{10} E} \simeq 45 - 55 \text{ g cm}^{-2}$$

$$10^{19} \text{ eV}$$

HiRes 2009



Importance of "CORNERS"



Fig. 25.— Comparison of current HiRes stereo $\langle X_{max} \rangle$ results with results from the HiResprototype/MIA hybrid (Abu-Zayyad et al. 2001) and previously published HiRes stereo results (Abbasi et al. 2005).



Abrupt change in the variation of the properties of hadronic interactions with energy

Abrupt change in the composition evolution.

Electromagnetic Showers

versus

Hadronic Showers

Toy model discussion.

Electromagnetic Shower



Radiation Length (Energy independent) Vertices : theoretically understood (and scaling)



Elongation rate = $85 (g/cm^2)/decade$

Heitler toy model for electromagnetic showerws

"Electron-photon" particle Splitting length λ Critical energy ϵ

 $N(X, E) = 2^{X/\lambda}$

 $N_{\max}(E) = \frac{E}{\varepsilon}$



Electromagnetic showers:

$$\langle X_{\max}(E) \rangle = X_0 + D_{\gamma} \log E$$

 $D_{\gamma} = \ln 10 \ X_{\text{rad}} \simeq 85 \ \text{g cm}^{-2}$

Fluctuations:

 $\sigma_X^2(\gamma, E) = \text{constant}$

$$\sigma_X^2(\gamma, E) \simeq 1.1 \ X_{\rm rad} \simeq 40 \ {\rm g \ cm^{-2}}$$



All energy transferred to an electromagnetic shower Theorem:

If: $\lambda_{\rm int}^{\rm hadron} = {\rm constant}$ Hadronic Interactions SCALING Then: $\langle X_{\max}^p \rangle = \lambda_{\mathrm{rad}} \log E + \mathrm{constant}$ $Toy \ Model \ {\rm for \ hadronic \ shower}$

$$p + \operatorname{air} \rightarrow \left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \ \pi^{\circ} \rightarrow n \ \gamma$$

Energy equally divided among n photons.



$$\frac{dN_{\gamma}}{dz} = \sum_{n} P_n \, \delta \left[z - \frac{1}{n} \right] \, \mathbf{n}$$

$$\langle X_{\rm max}^{(p)} \rangle = \langle X_{\rm 1st} \rangle + X_{\rm rad} \left\langle \log \left(\frac{E_0}{n_{\gamma} \varepsilon} \right) \right\rangle$$

1st interaction

Development of photon shower of energy E/n

$$\langle X_{\max}^{(p)} \rangle = \langle X_{1st} \rangle + X_{rad} \left\langle \log \left(\frac{E_0}{n_{\gamma} \varepsilon} \right) \right\rangle$$

$$\langle X_{\max}^{(p)} \rangle = \lambda_p + X_{rad} \log \left[\frac{E_0}{\varepsilon} \right] + X_{rad} \left\langle \log n_{\gamma} \right\rangle$$

$$Interaction \qquad Photon \qquad Shower \qquad Particle production \\ properties \qquad Production \qquad Note: Not: Note: Note:$$

$$\begin{split} \langle X_{\max}^{(p)} \rangle &= \lambda_p + X_{\mathrm{rad}} \log \left[\frac{E_0}{\varepsilon} \right] - X_{\mathrm{rad}} \langle \log n_{\gamma} \rangle \\ &\text{Interaction length} & \text{"Softness"} \end{split} \\ \\ \hline \\ \frac{E \text{longation Rate}}{d \log E} &= X_{\mathrm{rad}} + \frac{d\lambda_p(E)}{d \log E} - X_{\mathrm{rad}} \frac{d \langle \log n_{\gamma}(E) \rangle}{d \log E} \\ &\text{Evolution with} \\ &\text{Energy of the} \\ &\text{Interaction length} & \text{Evolution with} \\ \\ \end{array}$$



Elongation Rate For protons

Log[Energy]

One single proton Shower: $E_0 = 10^{19} \text{ eV}$



50 highest energy individual sub-showers

100 photons ~50% of energy 1000 photons ~70% of energy

Approximately 100 photons in 30-40 interaction vertices control the structure of the shower: $x \sim 0.1$

 $\lambda_{int}(p/\pi \text{ Air}) [g \text{ cm}^{-2}]$

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Phenomenological Evidence for SCALING

EXTRAPOLATION to HIGH ENERGY (Pythia pp)



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z dn_p/dlog[z]



d(Energy)_π/dLog[z]

PROTON Spectra (elasticity spectra)



dn_p/dlog[z]

PYTHIA PROTON Spectra



dn_p/dlog[z]

PROTON Spectra (elasticity spectra)



z dn_p/dlog[z]

Where does the approximate Feynman scaling comes from ?

The (iterative) Fragmentation of one COLOR STRING produces a SCALING SPECTRUM of HADRONS



 $\langle n_{\rm Ch} \rangle \approx c_0 + c_1 \ln E_{\rm Cm}$, ~ Poissonian multiplicity distribution



Field - Feynman : Quark - Fragmentation



Basic Structure of a NON diffractive PP interactions is made of TWO STRINGS

hard/semihard interactions result in additional strings

Color Structure

 $3\otimes 3=\overline{3}\oplus 6$

 $3\otimes\overline{3}=1\oplus 8$

C.R. DATA

Astrophysical Information

Energy Spectrum Composition

Hadronic Interactions

Cross sections, Inclusive spectra Multiplicities

From Accelerator Data + Theory - Astrophysics

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From Cosmic Ray Data — Hadronic Interactions

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Astrophysical Information

"Astrophysical Composition Methods" Hadronic Interactions

1 < A < 56 (very likely)

"Astrophysical Composition Methods"

Energy Spectrum "imprints" of Energy Loss

Cosmic Magnetic Spectrometer"





$$\delta\theta = (\delta\theta)_{\text{Milky Way}} + (\delta\theta)_{\text{Intergalactic}} + (\delta\theta)_{\text{Source Envelope}}$$
Deviation in GALACTIC Magnetic Field
$$\delta \simeq 2.7^{\circ} \frac{60 \text{ EeV}}{E/Z} \left| \int_{0}^{D} \left(\frac{\mathrm{dx}}{\mathrm{kpc}} \times \frac{\mathrm{B}}{3 \,\mu\mathrm{G}} \right) \right|$$

Deviation in EXTRA-GLACTIC Magnetic Field

$$\delta_{rms} \approx 4^{\circ} \frac{60 \text{ EeV}}{E/Z} \frac{B_{rms}}{10^{-9} \text{G}} \sqrt{\frac{D}{100 \text{ Mpc}}} \sqrt{\frac{L_c}{1 \text{ Mpc}}}$$

IF one accepts (at least for the sake of discussion) the astrophysical hints of a proton dominated composition....



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FLUCTUATIONS on X_{\max}

$$X_{\max} = X_{1st} + Y_{\max}$$
$$\sigma_{X_{\max}}^2 = \sigma_{X_{1st}}^2 + \sigma_{Y_{\max}}^2$$
$$\left(\sigma_{\langle X_{\max} \rangle}^{\text{proton}}\right)^2 \simeq \lambda_p^2 + \sigma_{Y_{\max}}^2$$

Toy model
$$\left(\sigma_{\langle X_{\max}\rangle}^{\text{proton}}\right)^2 \simeq \lambda_p^2 + X_{\text{rad}}^2 \left[\left\langle (\ln n_\gamma)^2 \right\rangle - \left\langle \ln n_\gamma \right\rangle^2 \right]$$

$$\begin{split} \left(\sigma_{\langle X_{\max}\rangle}^{\text{proton}}\right)^2 &\simeq \lambda_p^2 + \sigma_{Y_{\max}}^2 \\ \left(\sigma_{\langle X_{\max}\rangle}^A\right)^2 &\simeq \overline{f(A)} \ \lambda_p^2 + \frac{\sigma_{Y_{\max}}^2}{A} \\ \hline A &= 56 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{A}} = 0.13 \\ \sqrt{f(A)} &\simeq 0.4 \end{split} \qquad \begin{array}{l} \text{Nuclear interaction.} \\ \text{Several Nucleons} \\ \text{Interact at same point.} \end{array}$$



 $\sigma_X^2 = \sum_j f_j \ \sigma_{A_j}^2 + \sum_j f_j \langle X_{A_j} \rangle^2 - \left(\sum_j f_j \langle X_{A_j} \rangle\right)^2$

$\sigma_X^2 = \langle \sigma_A^2 \rangle + D_p \left[\langle (\log A)^2 \rangle - \langle \log A \rangle^2 \right]$

$$\sigma_X^2 \simeq \langle \sigma_A^2 \rangle + D_p \ \sigma_{\log A}^2$$

Mixing Protons with Iron-nuclei



THEORY

Construction of Hadronic Models

Hadronic Interactions

Composite (complex) Objects Multiple interaction structure





"Cartoon" of a pp interaction in the transverse plane







Elastic Scattering Amplitude :

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\rm el}}{dt}(t,s) = \pi \frac{d\sigma_{\rm el}}{d^2q}(\vec{q},s) = \pi |F_{\rm el}(\sqrt{-t},s)|^2$$

$$F_{\rm el}(q, s) = i \int \frac{d^2 b}{2\pi} e^{i\vec{q}.\vec{b}} \Gamma_{\rm el}(b, s) \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{PROFILE} \\ \text{Function} \end{array}$$

$$\Gamma_{\rm el}(b,s) = 1 - e^{-\chi(b,s)}$$

EIKONAL Function

$$\sigma_{\rm el}(s) = \int d^2b |\Gamma_{\rm el}(b,s)|^2$$

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}}(s) = 4\pi \text{Im}[F_{\text{el}}(0, s)] = 2\int d^2b\text{Re}[\Gamma_{\text{el}}(b, s)]$$

$$\sigma_{\text{inel}}(s) = \int d^2 b \{1 - |1 - \Gamma_{\text{el}}(b, s)|^2\}$$

Total, elastic, inelastic cross section Expressed in terms of the profile function

Total, Elastic, Diffractive Cross Sections:

1 minute of "19th century physics": The OPTICAL ANALOGY.



Absorption and Scattering of light from an Opaque screen






 $B = \frac{\langle b^2 \rangle}{2}$

ISR 62.3 GeV CERN UA4 546 GeV





ISR, CERN SpS (UA4), CDF



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Interaction Probability

$$\Gamma_{\rm el}(b,s) \equiv 1 - e^{-\chi(b,s)} = 1 - \sqrt{P_0(b,s)} = 1 - \exp\left[-\frac{\langle n(b,s)\rangle}{2}\right]$$

"Interpretation" of the eikonal function Multiple interactions

$$\chi(b,s) = \frac{\langle n(b,s) \rangle}{2}$$

Identification of Eikonal function with The average number of "elementary interactions" At impact parameter b.

$$\int d^2b \, \langle n(b,s) \rangle = \sigma_{\rm parton}(s)$$

Cross section for "elementary interactions"

$$\chi(b,s) = \frac{\langle n(b,s) \rangle}{2}$$

Identification of Eikonal function with The average number of "elementary interactions" At impact parameter b.

Construction of

 $\langle n(b,s) \rangle$ Fluctuations of this average quantity.

Explicit construction of the final state At the "parton level".

Perturbative contribution to the Parton cross section

$$\frac{d^3\sigma}{dp_{\perp}dx_1dx_2} \bigg|_{\text{jet pair}} (p_{\perp}, x_1, x_2; \sqrt{s}) = \sum_{j,k,j',k'} f_j^{h_1}(x_1, \mu^2) f_k^{h_2}(x_2, \mu^2) \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{jk \to j'k'}}{dp_{\perp}} (p_{\perp}, \hat{s}).$$

$$\sigma_{\text{jet}}(p_{\perp}^{\text{min}},\sqrt{s}) = \int_{p_{\perp}^{\text{min}}}^{\sqrt{s}/2} dp_{\perp} \int_{4p_{\perp}^{2}/s}^{1} dx_{1} \int_{4p_{\perp}^{2}/(sx_{1})}^{1} dx_{2}$$
$$\left\{ \sum_{j,k,j',k'} f_{j}^{h_{1}}(x_{1},\mu^{2}) f_{k}^{h_{2}}(x_{2},\mu^{2}) \frac{d\hat{\sigma}_{jk \to j'k'}}{dp_{\perp}}(p_{\perp},\hat{s}) \right\}$$

$$p_{\perp}^{\min} \to 0$$

Infrared Divergence !! (complete failure of perturbation theory)

$$\sigma_{\rm jet}
ightarrow \infty$$

Attempts to "resum" the soft part.



Parton Distribution Function

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MULTIPLE INTERACTIONS

- Estimate of the average number of Elementary interactions per pp scattering
- "Spatial Distribution" [proton spin] (Transverse coordinates) of the partonic constituents.
- Fluctuations of the "parton configuration" of an interactig hadron. Beyond PDF's

Parton Distribution Functions

"Good-Walker ansatz" for inelastic diffraction. [Extension of the optical analogy] Scattering of polarized light from a "polarimeter"



$$|x'\rangle = \cos\varphi |x\rangle + \sin\varphi |y\rangle,$$
$$|y'\rangle = -\sin\varphi |x\rangle + \cos\varphi |y\rangle$$

Incident beam:

Absorption of

Out scattered light In polarizations

Elastic scattering

|X|

"inelastic diffraction" Extension of the "Good-Walker Ansatz to the scattering of Hadronic Waves.



2 orthonormal basis *4* In Hilbert space

$$|\varphi_{m}\rangle = \sum_{j} C_{mj} |\psi_{j}\rangle$$
$$|\psi_{j}\rangle = \sum_{j} C_{mj}^{*} |\varphi_{m}\rangle$$

$$t_j(b) = 1 - \exp\left[-\frac{n_j(b)}{2}\right]$$

One profile function for each "transmission eigenstate"

$$\sigma_{\text{tot}} = \int d^2 b \sum_j |C_{1j}|^2 2\text{Re}[t_j(b)]$$

$$\sigma_{\text{abs}} = \int d^2 b \left[1 - \sum_j |C_{1j}\{1 - t_j(b)\}|^2 \right]$$

$$\sigma_{\text{diff+el}} = \sum_m \sigma_m = \int d^2 b \sum_j |C_{1j}|^2 |t_j(b)|^2$$

$$\frac{d\sigma_{\text{abs}}}{d^2b} = 1 - e^{-n(b)}$$

$$1 - \sum_j |C_{1j}|^2 e^{-n_j(b)}$$

$$1 - \int d\mathbb{C}_1 \int d\mathbb{C}_2 P_{h_1}(\mathbb{C}_1) P_{h_2}(\mathbb{C}_2)$$

$$\exp\left[-\frac{n(b,\mathbb{C}_1,\mathbb{C}_2)}{2}\right]$$

Description of the "Underlying Event"

Qualitative result:

Events with 1 hard scatterings Have more "activity" (larger multiplicity,) Than the average event.

- 1. Select more "central" (lower b) interactions.
- Select events where the colliding hadrons have certain "parton configurations" (for example: more gluons in appropriate x interval)



We are studying at the same time

"Gigantic Astrophysical Beasts" Millions of light years away Length scale 10^{+24} cm

Exciting

Difficult

Carl Anderson (february 1933)

Near his "Wilson chamber"

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Discovery of the POSITRON

Muon, Pion, Kaon, Lambda....



23 MeV

6 mm Lead plate

63 MeV