HAWC-VERITAS (WCD-IACT) Joint Work What we learned

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VERITAS Observatory



- * Array of four Imaging Atmospheric Cherenkov Telescopes with pointing accuracy < 50 arcsec
- ✤ Detect gamma rays in the energy range 85 GeV 30 TeV
- * With an energy resolution of 15-25%, and angular resolution $R_{68\%} < 0.1 \text{ deg}$
- ✤ Able to detect 1% Crab source in ~25h
- ✤ VERITAS is located at +31° 40' 30.21"N 110° 57' 7.77"W
- * Compared with HAWC +18° 59' 41.0"N 97°18'27.2"W

VERITAS & HAWC are complimentary to each other

- HAWC is sensitive to higher energies, and there is a good over lap for cross calibration
- VERITAS compliments HAWC with better angular resolution, energy resolution and instantaneous sensitivity.
- HAWC compliments VERITAS with better duty cycle, aperture, sensitivity to extended sources.

HAWC can help VERITAS to select targets



- VERITAS should know where to look
- In the standard analysis Off regions should be selected away from sources
- Two new techniques are under development, new techniques will have better sensitivity for extended source

Disentangle sources Milagro extended source MGRO J2019+37



This is what Milagro have seen Abdo, A. A., et al. 2012, ApJ, 753, 159



VERITAS detection Aliu, E., et al. 2014, ApJ, 788, 78

VERITAS Follow up of HAWC

sources

- With the better instantaneous sensitivity VERITAS could make measurements with a shorter exposure
- HAWC tells where and how (select the wobble, exclusion regions) to look
- Results from 1HWC (A. U. Abeysekara et al., ApJ. 817 (2016), 3.) follow up was published at 6th Fermi symposium
- Preliminary results from 2HWC follow up was presented at Gamma 2016 in Heidelberg
- VERITAS confirmed a 2HWC source; 2HWC J1952+294



VERITAS has a smaller field of view But we have been running for a decade



HAWC might see two point sources as a single source





Milagro observed an excess of 4.3 sígma Abdo et.al. 2009 Ap.J.L. V 700, 2

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- Both 3FGL sources are Fermi-LAT detected pulsars
- Mílagro observed 4.3 sígma
- MAGIC followed up this region but found no significant gamma-ray emission
- VERITAS followed up, but no new detection
- MAGIC suggested the existence of two weak PWNs associated with two PSRs. Milagro possibly seeing effective emission from both PWNs
- Deeper IACT observations will solve the mystery, HAWC has to tell where and how to look

Executioner region



- VERITAS does not see the brightest source for HAWC, 2HWC J1928+178
- VERITAS detected 2HWC J1930+188, which is the dimmer than 2HWC J1928+178
- Other two sources might be harder sources, or extended

Geminga

- Mílagro have seen an extended source with an extra smoothing with a 1 degree Gaussian
- HAWC detected a finer structure
- No point source detection with VERITAS
- VERITAS new detection techniques Likelihood technique (arXiv:1508.07310) and Match Run Method (arXiv: 1509.04224) will be more sensitive to extended sources

Where, How, and When

- VERITAS observed a list of TeV blazars consistently throughout the observation season
- Not only outstanding flares but also quiescent state measurements are important to understand Blazars
- HAWC has two different flare alert systems with different specifications
- HAWC alerts could tell VERITAS when to observe
- Observing GRBs is the highest priority of VERITAS
- VERITAS will also follow up HAWC GRB alerts

Sources rise and set approximately at the same time for both VERITAS and HAWC sites



CTA trigger? Continues coverage of transients?

Fermi-VERITAS-HAWC

Joint projects

- Cygnus regione
- Geminga
- EBL
- Cross calibrate VERITAS and HAWC using the standard candle Crab PWN
- Upper limits on VHE emission from GRBs
- TeV Binaries
- MGRO J1908 and MGRO J2019
- DM searches
 - Galactic Subhalos self-annihilation or decay, these subhalos may be only visible at gamma-ray energies
 - dSph
 - Extended sources

Conclusion

IACTs and WCDs are complimentary
New path ways can be opened by combining two techniques

