HARPO:A TPC as high performance gamma ray telescope and polarimeter Shaobo Wang (王少博) **On behalf of HARPO Collaboration** 2022-08-19 @USTC

Science Case : Gamma astronomy

• Galactic targets

Pulsar

Supernova Remnants

Extragalactic targets \bullet

Pulsar wind nebulae

Micro-quasars

Galactic center

Active Galactic Nuclei

Starburst galaxies

Merging Galaxies

Gamma-ray Bursts

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- CR physics - Lorentz invariance Quantum gravity
- Axion-photons obsc

Gamma telescopes performance

COS-B (1975-1982) 70MeV - 5GeV

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Gamma telescopes performance

- There is important progress in gamma ray telescope at high energy (>100MeV)
- Still a big performance gap at lower energy

Polarimetry

• Blazars: decipher leptonic synchrotron self-Compton (SSC) against hadronic (proton-synchrotron) models

- Polarization can give the answer
	- no difference in X
	- visible in gamma

H. Zhang and M. Bottcher, A.P. J. 774, 18 (2013)

Astrophysics at MeV energies

- In the 1-100 MeV range, the Compton cross-section becomes small.
- The pair creation keeps the memory of the photon direction and the decay plane gives the polarization direction.

Differential sensitivity

- The angular resolution is an important factor for sensitivity
- Compute the sensitivity to the detection of a faint high-latitude point-like source
- Gaussian statistics, the significance: $S = n \sqrt{B}$
	- Signal counts:

$$
S = T \times \eta \times A_{\text{eff}}(E) \times I_0(E) \times \epsilon \times \Delta E
$$

• Background counts:

$$
B = T \times \eta \times A_{\text{eff}}(E) \times \pi \sigma_{\theta}^{2} \int F_{B}(E) dE
$$

• The sensitivity s expressed as the minimum detectable signal intensity, multiplied by E^2

$$
s \approx \frac{n \sigma_{\theta} E^2}{\Delta E} \sqrt{\frac{\pi \int B(E) \, \text{d}E}{T \eta \, A_{\text{eff}}}}
$$

T: observation time *η*: exposure fraction *I0* : signal intensity $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{B}}$: background flux *E*: energy *Aeff*: effective area per unit mass Time Projection Chamber (TPC)

- photons are converted in the gas
- produced electrons ionize the gas
- ionization electrons drift along E field
- electrons are amplified and measured on the x&y readout plane
- time gives a measure of the z coordinate
	- t0 from external trigger
	- drift velocity

TPC Characteristics

- A gaseous 3D tracking detector
	- Often used in particle physics
	- High spatial resolution (<1mm), excellent tracking
	- Low multiple scattering => tracking even for low momentum tracks
- "Thin" active target
	- Sensitivity proportional to mass, not surface
	- Polarization information accessible

Expected Performance

• Angular resolution

–limited by multiple scattering above 100MeV

–limited by the unknown recoil nucleus momentum below 100MeV

–only multiple scattering for triplet conversion, but very low efficiency

 Up to 1 order of magnitude better than Fermi!

D.B., NIM A 701 (2013) 225

Polarimetry

• Polarimetry capabilities depend on many param eters:

energy, exposure, detector size, gas pressure...

- Multiple scattering dilutes the polarization modulation
- In converters, it is very quickly lost
- In Argon at 5 bar: (resolution 1mm, 1m³, Crab-like, 1 year exposure, efficiency=1)
- Polarization asymmetry $A^{\sim}15\%$
- Polarization resolution \sim 1%

Differential conversion interaction rate in detector:

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d}\Gamma}{\mathrm{d}\phi} \propto (1+\mathcal{A}P\cos{[2(\phi-\phi_0)]}),
$$

A: polarization asymmetry P: polarization fraction

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The HARPO Project

- HARPO (Hermetic ARgon POlarimeter)
- Instrument in France

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• Beam test in Japan

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The HARPO Project

- High angle resolution and sensitivity telescope
- Polarimeter for studying cosmic gamma ray sources above MeV

The HARPO Demonstrator

- Purpose: Assess challenges and demonstrate performance in test beam
- (30cm)³ cubic TPC
- Up to 5 bar.
- Micromegas + GEM gas amplification
- Collection on x, y strips, pitch 1 mm.
- AFTER chip digitization, up to 100 MHz.
- Scintillator / WLS / PMT based trigger

The HARPO Demonstrator

Readout electronics

- Based on T2K front end (AFTER chip) and ML507:
	- 2 directions x, y, 288 strips (channels) / direction
	- 72 channels / chip
	- 4 chips / direction
	- 511 time bins, "circular" SCA (Switched Capacitor Array)
	- Input: 120 fC to 600 fC
	- Up to 100 MHz sampling
	- Shaping time 100 ns to 2 µs
	- 12 bit ADC.

Signal readout

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Gas amplification: micromegas + 2 GEM

- Decision was made to add a GEM stage on top of the Micromegas, to obtain a comfortable gain (x7) while keeping good stability
- ⁵⁵Fe (dedicated test bench) and cosmic-rays (in TPC)

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Cosmic Ray Test

- Simple scintillator coincidence trigger
	- top/bottom coincidence
- Pressure from 0.5 to 2 bar Ar-5%Iso
- Two planes readout
	- X and Time (Z)
	- Y and Time (Z)
- Track reconstruction and matching

Data taking and Track Reconstruction

0.8

 -10.6

 0.4

Track reconstruction: Clustering

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Track reconstruction : Clustering

Hough track finding in 2D

Hough track finding in 2D

Hough track finding in 2D

2

1.8

1.6

 1.4

 1.2

 $\mathbf{1}$

0.8

0.6 0.4

 0.2

 $\ddot{\mathbf{0}}$

 $\frac{400}{200}$ $\frac{500}{200}$

300

XZ&YZ track marching

Track reconstruction

 $\begin{array}{r} 4000\, \text{C} \\ 3500 \, \text{C} \\ 3000 \, \text{C} \end{array}$

 $\begin{array}{r} 4000 \\ 3500 \, \underline{\underline{\smash{\big)}\ 2}} \end{array}$

400 500
t [time bins]

run1156

t [time bins]

 $\begin{array}{r} 4000 \\ 3500 \\ \underline{3} \\ 3000 \\ \end{array}$

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Diagnostics: Q vs T_{drift} with muon track

- The charge is normalized with regard to the track angle
- Normalized charge as a function of the drift time for a 6000 s cosmic-ray run
- V_{drift} is also easily extracted from this plot

Characterization with traversing cosmic rays

- Electric field distortion in the TPC
- Diffusion effect study

Cosmic runs @LLR

- Relative measurements First run as reference ("clean gas")
- HV on all the time, data taking at regular interval, weekly data taking of ~1.5h, for 6 months
- Clear degradation of gain and e- capture

Gas stability

- Recovery of full performance after 6 month sealed
- Detector not optimized for outgassing

 $\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}$

Photon beam test in NewSUBARU

- Polarized gamma ray beam
	- Inverse Compton
	- electron beam 0.6, 1., 1.2 or 1.5 GeV
	- laser Nd $(1\omega$ or 2ω), Er or $CO₂$ \rightarrow polarized photons 1.71 to 74 MeV
- Pulsed mode
	- Nd: 20 k Hz, Er:200 k Hz, CO₂: not

Measurement in polarized photon beam

- 13 Energy points, 1.7 to 74MeV, ~60Mevents
- Monochromaticity by collimation on axis
- Fully polarized or random polarization beams ($P = 0$, $P = 1$)
- 2.1 bar Ar:isoC4H10 95:5 (1-4 bar scan)

Beam trigger system

- S_{up} upstream scintillator
- O one of the 5 other scintillators
- M_{slow} : a delayed (> 1µs) signal on the µM mesh
- L laser trigger pulse

"Main line": $T_{\gamma,\text{laser}} = S_{\text{up}} \cap O \cap M_{\text{slow}} \cap L$

Beam trigger system

 300

400

500

- signal efficiency 51 %
- background rejection 99.3 %
- incident rate 2 kHz
- signal on disk 50 Hz

ENERGY

"Nuclear" and "triplet" pair conversion

• 74 MeV γ-rays from NewSUBARU conversions in 2.1 bar Ar:Isobutane 95:5

Pair conversion events

Event selection

- Hough track finding for track reconstruction
- Keep only straight lines to cut off the delta electron
- Vertex Matching

Measurement method

- 5 necessary variables to descript this interation: θ_+ , θ_- , ϕ_+ , ϕ_- , E_+/E_-
- Event generator: G4BetheHeitler5DModel
	- Samples the full five-dimensional, 1^{rst} order Born, "Bethe-Heitler" differential cross section
	- Generates recoil momentum out of photon-pair plane

• Azimuthal angle:

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\phi:=\frac{\phi_++\phi_-}{2}-\phi_0
$$

• Opening angle:

$$
\theta_\pm:=\arccos(\hat p_{e^+}\cdot\hat p_{e^-})
$$

• Pesudo Gamma direction:

$$
\hat{p}_{\gamma}\sim\frac{\hat{p}_{e^+}+\hat{p}_{e^-}}{|\hat{p}_{e^+}+\hat{p}_{e^-}|}
$$

• Differential cross section

Polarization asymmetry

Angular resolution

P. Gros et al. Astroparticle Physics 97 (2018) 10

Polarimetry: $(P = 1)/(P = 0)$ ratios

P. Gros et al. Astroparticle Physics 97 (2018) 10

Polarimetry with High-Angular Resolution

A. De Angelis et al., Exp. Astr. 44 (2017) 25

Emulsions GRAINE 1° @ 100 MeV S. Takahashi et al., PTEP 2015 (2015) 043H01

Gas TPC **HARPO** 0.4° @ 100 MeV \rightarrow ~1.5@74 MeV?

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Polarimetry with $\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-$: K. Ozaki et al., NIM A 833 (2016)165 Azimuthal Distribution $.532/5$ 0.14 110.1 Azimuthal angle Idegree 2.4 GeV (50 MeV threshold ?) Main issue, the ability to collect data at low energyHARPO experiment and the state of the Shaobo Wang, SJTU A3

P. Gros et al., Astroparticle Physics 97 (2018) 10

"Simulation of e-ASTROGAM", V. Fioretti, eASTROGAM Workshop: the extreme Universe, 28/02 - 02/03/2017 Padova

粒子径迹重建上可能的优化

- 卡尔曼滤波: 是一种利用<u>线性系统</u>状态方程, 通过系统输入输出观测数据, 对<u>系统状态</u>进行最优估 计的算法。
- 现在卡尔曼滤波被广泛应用于粒子物理径迹重建和顶点重建,卫星导航,工业降噪,心电监测……

Kalman Filter in PandaX-III

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Kalman Filter in PandaX-III

• Kalman Filter in Bayssian Formalism (KFBF)

Radiat.Detect.Technol.Methods 4 (2019) 1, 70-77

Nucl.Instrum.Meth.A 867 (2017)

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Track reconstruction with KFBF

• KFBF parameters reconstructed : (x,y,z, ux, uy, uz)

Balloon borne TPC: ST3G

- Self Triggered Tpc Gamma-ray Telescope
- Validation of a trigger using TPC signal only AGET/ASTRE self-trigger readout
- Stratospheric balloon
- $4x4x4=64xHARPO = (1.2m)³$

Max trigger rate ~600 Hz γ conversion rate 400 Hz Compton scatt: 7 kHz Charged tracks 33 kHz/m²

Dreams for the future

- A C++ version of our event generator has been deployed as the G4BetheHeitler5DModel physics model with Geant4 (*Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A 899 (2018) 85*)
- An analytical analysis of the single-track angular resolution with an optimal tracking
	- an optimal method to measure the momentum of a track in a non-magnetic tracker from the analysis of the deflections due to multiple scattering (Bayes and Kalman giving hand to Molière)
	- It is of particular interest to silicon-detector based telescopes (Fermi-LAT, AGILE, e-ASTROGAM, AMEGO) and for large liquid argon TPC active targets that are developed for long-base neutrino studies
- A 3rd generation "ASTRE" (Asic with SCA and Trigger for detector Readout Electronics) readout chip for TPC
	- a modified version of the self-triggerable AGET chip (*Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A 2017.10.043*),
	- in particular for its ionizing-radiation hardness (characterization on beam has shown a LET threshold extended from 3 to 20 MeV / $(mg \cdot cm^2)$)

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Single track angular resolution

• multiple scattering angle:

$$
\theta_0 = \frac{p_0}{\beta c p} \sqrt{\frac{x}{X_0}}
$$

• At high momentum, multiple scattering can be neglected and the detector resolution dominates:

$$
\sigma_{\theta tH} \approx \frac{8\sigma}{L} \sqrt{3/(N+5)}
$$

• At low momentum, multiple scattering dominates:

$$
\sigma_{\theta tL} \approx (2\sigma)^{1/4} l^{1/8} X_0^{-3/8} (p/p_0)^{-3/4}
$$

From tracks to photon:

$$
\vec{p_{\gamma}} = \vec{p_{e^+}} + \vec{p_{e^-}} + \vec{q}
$$

Dependence on energy of the effective area per unit mass

Compute the sensitivity to the detection of a faint high-latitude point-like source

References: SPR-N (Bogomolov et al., 2003), MEGA (Bloser et al., 2006), PHENEX (Gunji et al., 2008), TIGRE (Bhattacharya et al., 2004; O'Neill et al., 1996), PENGUIN-M (Dergachev et al., 2009), GAP (Yonetoku et al., 2006), GRAPE (Bloser et al., 2009), POGO+ (Friis et al., 2018), COSI (Balloon) (Yang et al., 2018), SGD (Aharonian et al., 2018), X-Calibur (Kislat et al., 2018), XL-Calibur (Abarr et al., 2021), IBIS (Ubertini et al., 2003), SPI (Vedrenne et al., 2003), AstroSat (Vadawale et al., 2015), POLAR (Produit et al., 2018), POLAR-2 (Kole, 2019), PING-P (Kotov Et al., 2016), PolariS (Hayashida et al., 2014), COSI (SMEX) (Tomsick et al., 2019), LEAP (McConnell et al., 2021),
AMEGO (McEnery et al., 2019), e-ASTROGAM (De Angelis et al., 2018) (McConnell et al., 2021),