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Anisotropies in the arrival directions of Ultra-High Energy Cosmic Rays: Current status and prospects with a next-generation instrument





Introduction

- 50 EeV protons:
 - GZK Horizon ~ few hundred Mpc
 - Deflections $\lesssim 3^{\circ}$ in IGMF
 - In the Galactic B-field $\,\theta\,$ ~ 2 $^{\circ}$ ⁻ 4 $^{\circ}$
 - Larger through Galactic centre
- Iron much larger deflections, $\theta \sim Z \times \theta_{proton}$
- Anisotropy expected for proton UHECRs
- Uncertain composition complicates expectations -> one way to model it, introduce an isotropic background (large deflections)



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2MASS 6dF ~full sky ~ 100000 galaxies, ~near-IR selected: excellent probe of ellipticals, minimal dust a extinction 3

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~ 10% uncertainty due to binning.

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Correlation with Large Scale Structure: Full set to April 2014: 142 events E > 55 EeV



Piso, PSCz = 7%

PPSCz,protons,no deflections < 0.1%

P6dF, protons, no deflections < 0.1%

The future: Will better statistics help?



JEM-EUSO Coll. 2013-arXiv:1305.2478

What type of clustering?



Source Density:

Absence of significant number of multiplets in Auger data suggests a relatively large source number density

 $\bar{n_0} \gtrsim 10^{-5} - 10^{-4} \text{ Mpc}^{-3}$ (cf. n_{gal} ~10⁻² Mpc⁻³) Auger Coll 2013, FO et al 2013, Takami & Sato 2009..

horizon for ~ 50 EeV protons







Modelling different UHECR source populations



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Are we going to see anisotropy with JEM-EUSO?

For what proton fraction?



If we can determine the composition?



Distinguish between bias models?

2100 events, E>50 EeV, $n_0 \sim 10^{-2}$ Mpc⁻³



With ≥1000 protons

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