# Astroparticle Physics 2022/23

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birth of cosmic rays CRs: supernova remnants neutrinos: e.g. Sun (lecture 9)

propagation of CRs in the Galaxy interactions with ISM (lecture 9)



CRs at the top of the atmosphere (lecture 11)



CRs underground (lecture 12) neutrino oscillations (lecture 12+13)



# propagation of CRs in the Earth magnetic field (lecture 10)

### **Particles and the Cosmos**



## Origin of cosmic rays multi messenger technique



#### **RESEARCH ARTICLE SUMMARY**

#### **NEUTRINO ASTROPHYSICS**

#### Multimessenger observations of a flaring blazar coincident with high-energy neutrino IceCube-170922A

The IceCube Collaboration, *Fermi*-LAT, MAGIC, *AGILE*, ASAS-SN, HAWC, H.E.S.S., *INTEGRAL*, Kanata, Kiso, Kapteyn, Liverpool Telescope, Subaru, *Swift/NuSTAR*, VERITAS, and VLA/17B-403 teams\*†

**INTRODUCTION:** Neutrinos are tracers of cosmic-ray acceleration: electrically neutral and traveling at nearly the speed of light, they can escape the densest environments and may be traced back to their source of origin. High-energy neutrinos are expected to be produced in blazars: intense extragalactic radio, optical,

x-ray, and, in some cases,  $\gamma$ -ray sources characterized by relativistic jets of plasma pointing close to our line of sight. Blazars are among the most powerful objects in the Universe and are widely speculated to be sources of high-energy cosmic rays. These cosmic rays generate high-energy neutrinos and  $\gamma$ -rays, which are produced when the cosmic rays accelerated in the jet interact with nearby gas or photons. On 22 September 2017, the cubic-kilometer IceCube Neutrino Observatory detected a ~290-TeV neutrino from a direction consistent with the flaring  $\gamma$ -ray blazar TXS 0506+056. We report the details of this observation and the results of a multiwavelength follow-up campaign.

**RATIONALE:** Multimessenger astronomy aims for globally coordinated observations of cosmic rays, neutrinos, gravitational waves, and electromagnetic radiation across a broad range of wavelengths. The combination is expected to yield crucial

mic rays. The discovery of an extraterrestrial diffuse flux of high-energy neutrinos, announced by IceCube in 2013, has characteristic properties that hint at contributions from extragalactic sources, although the individual sources remain as yet unidentified. Continuously monitoring the entire sky for astrophysical neu-



Multimessenger observations of blazar TXS 0506+056. The

trinos, IceCube provides real-time triggers for observatories around the world measuring  $\gamma$ -rays, x-rays, optical, radio, and gravitational waves, allowing for the potential identification of even rapidly fading sources.

**RESULTS:** A high-energy neutrino-induced muon track was detected on 22 September 2017, automatically generating an alert that was distributed worldwide

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Read the full article at http://dx.doi. org/10.1126/ science.aat1378 within 1 min of detection and prompted follow-up searches by telescopes over a broad range of wavelengths. On 28 September 2017, the *Fermi* Large Area

Telescope Collaboration reported that the direction of the neutrino was coincident with a cataloged  $\gamma$ -ray source, 0.1° from the neutrino direction. The source, a blazar known as TXS 0506+056 at a measured redshift of 0.34, was in a flaring state at the time with enhanced  $\gamma$ -ray activity in the GeV range. Follow-up observations by imaging atmospheric Cherenkov telescopes, notably the Major Atmospheric

Gamma Imaging Cherenkov (MAGIC) telescopes, revealed periods where the detected  $\gamma$ -ray flux from the blazar reached energies up to 400 GeV. Measurements of the source have also been completed at x-ray, optical, and radio wavelengths. We have investigated models associating neutrino and  $\gamma$ -ray production and find that correlation of the neutrino with the flare of TXS 0506+056 is statistically significant at the level of 3 standard deviations (sigma). On the basis of the redshift of TXS 0506+056, we derive constraints for the muon-neutrino luminosity for this source and find them to be similar to the luminosity observed in y-rays.

**CONCLUSION:** The energies of the  $\gamma$ -rays and the neutrino indicate that blazar jets may accelerate cosmic rays to at least several PeV. The observed association of a high-energy neutrino with a blazar during a period of enhanced  $\gamma$ -ray emission suggests that blazars may indeed be one of the long-

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## Follow-up of GW170817 with PAO (neutrinos)



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Time from merger (seconds)

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## Follow-up of GW170817 with PAO (neutrinos)





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#### Multi-messenger Observations of a Binary Neutron Star Merger

LIGO Scientific Collaboration and Virgo Collaboration, Fermi GBM, INTEGRAL, IceCube Collaboration, AstroSat Cadmium Zinc Telluride Imager Team, IPN Collaboration, The Insight-Hxmt Collaboration, ANTARES Collaboration, The Swift Collaboration, AGILE Team, The IM2H Team, The Dark Energy Camera GW-EM Collaboration and the DES Collaboration, The DLT40 Collaboration, GRAWITA: GRAvitational Wave Inaf TeAm, The Fermi Large Area Telescope Collaboration, ATCA: Australia Telescope Compact Array, ASKAP: Australian SKA Pathfinder, Las Cumbres Observatory Group, OzGrav, DWF (Deeper, Wider, Faster Program), AST3, and CAASTRO Collaborations, The VINROUGE Collaboration, MASTER Collaboration, J-GEM, GROWTH, JAGWAR, Caltech-NRAO, TTU-NRAO, and NuSTAR Collaborations, Pan-STARRS, The MAXI Team, TZAC Consortium, KU Collaboration, Nordic Optical Telescope, ePESSTO, GROND, Texas Tech University, SALT Group, TOROS: Transient Robotic Observatory of the South Collaboration, The BOOTES Collaboration, LOFAR Collaboration, LWA: Long Wavelength Array, HAWC Collaboration, IKI-GW Follow-up Collaboration, ALMA Collaboration, Euro VLBI Team, Pi of the Sky Collaboration, The Chandra Team at McGill University, DFN: Desert Fireball Network, ATLAS, High Time Resolution Universe Survey, RIMAS and RATIR, and SKA South Africa/MeerKAT (See the end matter for the full list of authors.)

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## Follow-up of GW170817 with PAO (neutrinos)

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#### Search for High-energy Neutrinos from Binary Neutron Star Merger GW170817 with ANTARES, IceCube, and the Pierre Auger Observatory



 $10^{-1}$ 

 $10^{-2}$ 

 $10^{-3}$ 

 $10^{2}$ 

14 day time-window

 $10^{4}$ 

 $10^{5}$ 

 $10^{6}$ 

E/GeV

 $10^{7}$ 

 $10^{3}$ 

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 $10^{8}$ 

Metzger 30 days

> Fang & Metzger

3 days

 $1\overline{0^{10}}$ 

 $10^{11}$ 

#### Astronomy Astrophysics

### The $\gamma$ -ray spectrum of the core of Centaurus A as observed with H.E.S.S. and *Fermi*-LAT

#### ABSTRACT

Centaurus A (Cen A) is the nearest radio galaxy discovered as a very-high-energy (VHE; 100 GeV–100 TeV)  $\gamma$ -ray source by the High Energy Stereoscopic System (H.E.S.S.). It is a faint VHE  $\gamma$ -ray emitter, though its VHE flux exceeds both the extrapolation from early *Fermi*-LAT observations as well as expectations from a (misaligned) single-zone synchrotron-self Compton (SSC) description. The latter satisfactorily reproduces the emission from Cen A at lower energies up to a few GeV. New observations with H.E.S.S., comparable in exposure time to those previously reported, were performed and eight years of *Fermi*-LAT data were accumulated to clarify the spectral characteristics of the  $\gamma$ -ray emission from the core of Cen A. The results allow us for the first time to achieve the goal of constructing a representative, contemporaneous  $\gamma$ -ray core spectrum of Cen A over almost five orders of magnitude in energy. Advanced analysis methods, including the template fitting method, allow detection in the VHE range of the core with a statistical significance of 12 $\sigma$  on the basis of 213 hours of total exposure time. The spectrum in the energy range of 250 GeV–6 TeV is compatible with a power-law function with a photon index  $\Gamma = 2.52 \pm 0.13_{stat} \pm 0.20_{sys}$ . An updated *Fermi*-LAT analysis provides evidence for spectral hardening by  $\Delta\Gamma \approx 0.4 \pm 0.1$  at  $\gamma$ -ray energies above  $2.8^{+1.0}_{-0.6}$  GeV at a level of  $4.0\sigma$ . The fact that the spectrum hardens at GeV energies and extends into the VHE regime disfavour a single-zone SSC interpretation for the overall spectral energy distribution (SED) of the core and is suggestive of a new  $\gamma$ -ray emitting component connecting the high-energy emission above the break energy to the one observed at VHE energies. The absence of significant variability at both GeV and TeV energies does not yet allow disentanglement of the physical nature of this component, though a jet-related origin is possible and a simple two-zone SED model fit is provided to this end.

Key words. gamma rays: galaxies - radiation mechanisms: non-thermal



**Fig. 3.** SED of Cen A core with model fits as described in text. The red curve corresponds to an SSC component designed to fit the radio to sub-GeV data. The blue curve corresponds to a second SSC component added to account for the highest energy data. The black curve corresponds to the sum of the two components. SED points as derived from H.E.S.S. and *Fermi*-LAT data in this paper are shown with open circles. Observations from the radio band to the MeV  $\gamma$ -ray band are from TANAMI ( $\diamond$ ), SEST ( $\blacktriangle$ ), JCMT ( $\triangleright$ ), MIDI ( $\nabla$ ), NAOS/CONICA ( $\triangleleft$ ), NICMOS ( $\Box$ ), WFPC2 ( $\blacklozenge$ ), *Suzaku* ( $\triangle$ ), OSSE/COMPTEL ( $\blacksquare$ ). The acronyms are described in Appendix B.



# Anisotropy detected at >5.2 sigma dipole amplitude 6.5%

#### COSMIC RAYS

# Observation of a large-scale anisotropy in the arrival directions of cosmic rays above $8 \times 10^{18}$ eV



**Fig. 3. Map showing the fluxes of particles in galactic coordinates.** Sky map in galactic coordinates showing the cosmic-ray flux for  $E \ge 8$  EeV smoothed with a 45° top-hat function. The galactic center is at the origin. The cross indicates the measured dipole direction; the contours denote the 68% and 95% confidence level regions. The dipole in the 2MRS galaxy distribution is indicated. Arrows show the deflections expected for a particular model of the galactic magnetic field (8) on particles with E/Z = 5 or 2 EeV.

#### A. Aab et al., Science 357 (2017) 1266

## **Astroparticle Physics**

messengers from the Universe



# Literature

**Particles & Cosmos: Stanev** 

Astroparticle Physics: *Tom Gaisser, Cosmic rays and particle physics Cambridge University Press (2016)* 

+ primary literature (journal articles)

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Thomas K. Gaisser, Ralph Engel and Elisa Resconi

# Astroparticle Physics 2022/23

- 1. Historical introduction basic properties of cosmic rays
- 2. Hadronic interactions and accelerator data
- 3. Cascade equations
- 4. Electromagnetic cascades
- 5. Extensive air showers
- 6. Detectors for extensive air showers
- 7. High-energy cosmic rays and the knee in the energy spectrum of cosmic rays
- 8. Radio detection of extensive air showers
- 9. Acceleration, Astrophysical accelerators and beam dumps
- **10. Extragalactic propagation of cosmic rays**
- 11. Ultra-high-energy energy cosmic rays
- 12. Astrophysical gamma rays and neutrinos
- 13. Neutrino astronomy
- 14. Gamma-ray astronomy

# **Student talks**

- Students will present selected topics, based on journal publications.
- Learn how to derive information from primary literature.
- Presentation followed by discussion and questions.
- 60 min presentation, 15 min discussion
- You are expected to participate in discussions and ask questions.
- Your presentation + interaction will be part of your grade.

# **Student talks**

•	Air showers - Matthews Heitler model
•	Radio detection of air showers
•	CR anisotropy at TeV energies, IceCube/Top, HAWC
•	the knee in the energy spectrum of cosmic rays
•	Detectors for UHE CRs, Auger, TA
•	GZK effect and the end of the CR spectrum, Auger, TA
•	CR mass composition at highest energies, Auger, TA
•	CR anisotropy at highest energies, Auger, TA
•	IceCube neutrino astronomy
•	KM3NeT project ARCA+ORCA
•	H.E.S.S. TeV gamma-ray astronomy
•	Cherenkov Telescope Array - CTA

## **lecture 1**

## **Historical introduction** Basic properties of Cosmic Rays

## **Discovery of Radioactivity**

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## Nobel Prize 1903

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Ein neues Elektrometer für statische Ladungen.

Dritte Mitteilung<sup>1</sup>).

Von Th. Wulf.

#### a new electrometer for static charges

Mitteilung enthält einige her beschriebenen Appajöhung seiner Transport-

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Sir J.J.Thomson Nobel Prize 1906

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**Conduction of electricity through gases (1928):** 

It would be one of the romances of science if these obscure and prosaic minute leakages of electricity from well-insulated bodies should be the means by which the most fundamental problems in the evolution of the cosmos came to be investigated.

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"the continuous production of ions in dust-free air could be explained as being due to radiation from sources outside our atmosphere, possibly radiation like Röntgen rays or cathode rays, but of enormously greater penetrating power" C T R Wilson, Proc Roy Soc A 68 (1901) 151

Detector used by Wilson to investigate ionization of air

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Physikalische Zeitschrift. 10. Jahrgang. No. 25. (1909)

### on the origin of gamma radiation in the atmosphere

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Strahlung der Wände von Gebäuden.

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Nur in dem alten holländischen Kasteel Wynandsrade, vor fast 200 Jahren aus Ziegelsteinen erbaut, zeigte sich kein Unterschied in der Strahlung im Zimmer und im Freien. - Am stärksten war die Strahlung in Maria Laach in einem

Über den Ursprung der in der Atmosphäre vorhandenen y-Strahlung.

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Von Th. Wulf.

Man kann den Inhalt dieser Arbeit kurz so zusammenfassen. Es wird über Versuche berichtet, welche beweisen, daß an dem Beobachtungsort die durchdringende Strahlung von primär radioaktiven Substanzen verursacht wird, welche in den obersten Erdschichten liegen, bis etwa I m unter der Oberfläche.

Wenn ein Teil der Strahlung aus der Atmosphäre stammt, so ist er doch so klein, daß er sich mit den gebrauchten Mitteln nicht nachweisen ließ.

vankungen in der 7-Strah-Die zeitlichen S eben lui the radiation originates from the soil maybe a small contribution from the atmosphere

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#### **Theodor Wulf**

1909: Soddy & Russel: attenuation of gamma rays follows an exponential law

 $I = I_0 e^{-\mu L}$ 

~1910

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Aeronautisches Gelände im Wiener Prater, vo seine ersten Freiballon-Forschungsfahrten u schichtliche Mu

Hess on Route des Entdeckungsfluges der kosmischen Strahlung.

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Elektrometers gesetzter Zinkstift von

Aus der Abteilung für Geophysik, Meteorologie und Erdmagnetismus:

ViktorF.Hess(Wien), Über Beobachtungen der durchdringenden Strahlung bei sieben

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V.F. Hess in 1936-37, on the occasion of Nobel prize.

## **Nobel Prize 1936**

erweitertes Beobachtungsmateria<sub>D</sub>.

der Atmosphäre zurückzuführen.

Die Ergebnisse der vorliegenden Beobachtungen scheinen am ehesten durch die Annahme erklärt werden zu können. daß eine Strahlung von sehr hoher Durchdringungskraft von oben her in unsere Atmosphäre eindringt, und auch noch in deren untersten Schichten einen Teil der in geschlossenen Gefäßen beobachteten Ionisation hervorruft. Die Intensität dieser Strahlung scheint zeitlichen Schwankungen unterworfen zu sein, welche bei einstündigen Ablesungsintervallen noch erkennbar sind. Da ich im Ballon weder bei Nacht noch bei einer Sonnenfinsternis eine Verringerung der Strahlung fand, so kann man wohl kaum die Sonne als Ursache dieser hypothetischen Strahlung ansehen, wenigstens solange man nur an eine direkte y-Strahlung mit geradliniger Fortpflanzung denkt.

Daß die Zunahme der Strahlung erst jenseits 2000 m so stark merklich wird ist nicht

#### Neue Untersuchungen über die durchdringende Hesssche Strahlung.

Von E. Steinke in Königsberg i. Pr.

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630

60° 700

# Absorption in the atmosphere

![](_page_25_Figure_3.jpeg)

![](_page_25_Figure_4.jpeg)

E. Steinke, Z. f. Physik 48 (1928) 647

630

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Fig. 9. Richtungsverteilung der durchdringenden Strahlu kurve gibt die beobachteten Werte an. Ferner bedeute

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Königsberg

Imgebungsstrahlung

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Strahlungsdichte

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E. Steinke, Z. f. Physik 64 (1930) 48

### **Absorption in Lake Constance 1928**

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Fig. 6. Die "schwebende" Verankerung des Apparates.

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E. Regener Phys. Z. 34 (1933) 306 Jörg R. Hörandel, APP 2022/23 30

## **Absorption in Lake Constance 1928**

# Ionization chamber with electrometer read-out automatic each hour, up to 8 days

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![](_page_28_Picture_3.jpeg)

### **Absorption in Lake Constance 1928**

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from top of the atmosphere

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Three pioneers of Cosmic Ray research Regener demonstrates his balloon electrometer (Immenstaad/Lake Constance, August 1932). Fadenelektrometer. Physik.Zeitschr.XXVI,1925

#### Kolhörster A new electrometer

1) Oskar Taussia (The First World Pol vgl. auch "Elektrotechnil des Elektrotechnischen V

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von Anh

no-arronautic research werk onference, London 1924), Maschinenbau<sup>10</sup>, Zeitschrift in Wich, Heft 46, 1924,

gangen zS. August 1925)

Ein neues Fadenelektrometer.

Von Werner Kolhörster.

Zu Messungen der durchdringenden Strahlung hatte ich für meine neuen Strahlungsapparate ein Fadenelektrometer konstruiert<sup>1</sup>), das ohne die bei derartigen Instrumenten notwendige Temperaturkompensation arbeitet. Da es sich auch für andere elektrostatische Messungen seiner Vorztige und allgemeinen Verwendbarkeit halber als geeignet erwies, so seien hier einige Angaben über die Instrumente<sup>2</sup>) gemacht.

Prinzip: Als Gegenkraft gegen die elektrostatischen Abstoßungskräfte dient allein die Biegungselastizität der feinen Quarzfäden, die die Form vertikal stehender, frei tragender Schlingen haben und deren Enden in einigen Millimetern Abstand voneinander an einem Metallblech befestigt sind, das in den Isolator eingesetzt wird. Entsprechend den Ein- und Zweifadenelektrometern kann man Systeme mit einer oder zwei kongruenten Schlingen verwenden, die von einem Mikroskop mit Okularmikrometer am Scheitel der Schlingen abgelesen werden. Lädt man das System, so tritt keine merkliche Formänderung der Schlingen ein, diese bewegen sich vielmehr in der HorizunPhysik Zeitschr.XXVI,1925. Kolhörster, Ein neues Fadenelektrometer.

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## Kohlhörster - balloon flight 13. May 1934

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## Kohlhörster - balloon flight 13. May 1934

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**Dr. Schrenk** 

Abb. 17

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Abb. Masuch

### Measurements of the cosmicray intensity (Höhenstrahlung) up to 12000 m

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Fig. 19. Regener recovering a balloon payload from a farm house.

3) Die Firma Gebr. Junghans, Schramberg, hat uns freundlicherweise diese schönen Zählwerke hergestellt. lessungen der Ultrastrahlung usw.

Fig. 6. Registrierapparat mit Schutzgondel.

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gestell M getragen, welches so eingerichtet war, daß Absorberschichten

bis zu 45 mm Dieke zwischen die Zählrehre gebracht werden konnten.

Seitlich waren die Rohre durch Bleiklötze *B.B* geschützt; diese hatten Nuten, in welche der Absorber eingriff. Die Dieke dieser Seitenhlenden war stets so bemessen, daß ein Strahlenteilchen, welches etwa durch Strauung

um den Absorber herum aus dem einen Zählrohr in das andere gelangen

W. Bothe Nobel Prize 1954

W. Bothe & W. Kolhörster, Z. f. Phys. 56 (1929) 751 Jörg R. Hörandel, APP 2022/23 38

#### Dreifachkoinzidenzen der Ultrastrahlung aus vertikaler Richtung in der Stratosphäre\*).

#### I. Meßmethode und Ergebnisse.

Von Georg Pfotzer in Stuttgart,

Mit 11 Abbildungen. (Eingegangen om 9. Juni 1936.)

Mit einer selbstaufzeichnenden Apparatur werden bei drei Begistrierballon aufstiegen Droifachkoinzidenzen der Ultrastrahlung aus vortikaler Richtung bisu 10 mm Hg Luftdruck (29 km Höhe ö. M.) gemessen. Die Kurve der Zählrohn komzidenzen in Annargigken vom hurturuck seigt ein Maximum bei 80 nm Hgund einen Buckel bei 800 mm Hg. Die Kurve kann gegen das Ende der Atmosphäre extrapoliart worden.

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![](_page_36_Picture_6.jpeg)

Fig. 6. Aufbau der Registrierupparatur. 4) Von der Seite b) von oben geschen.

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Fig. 5. Launching of a balloon train from the courtyard of the institute,

![](_page_36_Picture_10.jpeg)

Fig. 4. a) Aufstlegplatte (nat. Größe, Halitie); b) Vergeölienter Ausschnitt,

3) Die Firma Gebr. Junghans, Schramberg, hat uns freundlicherweise diese schönen Zählwerke hergestellt.

G. Pfotzer, Z. f. Phys. 102 (1936) 23 Jörg R. Hörandel, APP 2022/23 39 Dreifachkoinzidenzen der Ultrastrahlung aus vertikaler Richtung in der Stratosphäre\*).

I. Meßmethode und Ergebnisse.

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#### Letters to the Editor

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#### Latitude Effect of Cosmic Radiation

ON the expedition organised by the Deutscher und Oesterreichischer Alpenverein in 1932 to the Andes of Peru, observations of cosmic rays were made at several heights up to 6,100m. and during the seavoyage. From Bremen to Peru one apparatus worked during March and April 1932 on board the M.S. Erfurt of the Norddeutscher Lloyd line. On the return voyage in January and February 1933, three apparatuses were in full action from Peru through the Strait of Magellan to Hamburg on board the M.S. Isis of the Hamburg-Amerika line. The self-

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recording electrometers were constructed by Prof. E. Regener on the same principle as those used for his researches in Lake Constance<sup>1</sup> and in the upper atmosphere<sup>2</sup>. The electrometer wire is inside an ionisation chamber of 16 cm. diameter with 'deltametal' walls of 1 cm. thickness. The position of the wire is photographed every half-hour on a fixed photographic plate.

Instrument No. 1 was filled with carbon dioxide at 9.7 atmospheres pressure and 16° C. With a radium capsule, I found the temperature effect on ionisation to be +0.13 per cent for every  $+ 1^{\circ}$  C. difference. The correction for barometric pressure was 0.29 per cent per millimetre of mercury. All data were reduced to 16°C, and 760 mm. pressure. The ionisation due

to radioactivity in the chamber itself was allowed for as 0.8 volts per hour as found on the bottom of Lake Constance at a depth of 250 m. Eight hemispherical shells of iron were fitted round the chamber. The combined thickness of this iron wall was 10 cm.

In Fig. 1 are recorded the data of apparatus No. 1, the iron case of which was open on the upper side. The graph shows the intensity of cosmic radiation in volts per hour for different geomagnetic latitudes on the voyage from the Strait of Magellan to Hamburg. The geographical position of the geomagnetic north pole was taken to be 78° 32' N. and 69° 08' W. Each point of the curve corresponds to an average of a twenty hours' registration. The points give a smooth curve which shows the accuracy of the recording method employed. The intensity increases by about 12 per cent when going from the equatorial region to 55° N. geomagnetic latitude.

Apparatus No. 2 was wholly encased in the iron shell. Apparatus No. 3 worked without any iron shell. Every instrument shows substantially the same effect.

In general, the curves agree with the observations of Clay<sup>3</sup> and with those of A. H. Compton<sup>4</sup> made at about the same time. It is very interesting that the northern and southern parts of the curve are not

symmetrical with respect to either the geomagnetic or the geographical equator. Considering the accuracy of our uninterrupted registration, this result is quite trustworthy.

From the fact that a latitude effect of 12 per cent of the radiation exists, it must be concluded that this part of the radiation consists of corpuscles before entering the earth's atmosphere. For the magnitude of this part of the radiation, reference should be made to the analysis of the components of cosmic rays by Regener<sup>2</sup> and Lenz<sup>6</sup>.

A more detailed report of these observations and of the researches in the Andes will be published in the Zeitschrift für Physik.

H, HOERLIN.

Physikalisches Institut der Technischen Hochschule, Stuttgart. June 8.

Regener, E., Z. Phys., 74, 433; 1932.
Regener, E., Phys. Z., 34, 306; 1933.
Clay, J., Naturvises, 20, 687; 1932.
Compton, A. H., Phys. Rev., 43, 387; 1933.
Lenz, E., Z. Phys.; in the press.

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# Latitude effect

## **Clay: Latitude Effect**

RESULTS OF THE DUTCH COSMIC RAY EXPEDITION 1933

II. THE MAGNETIC LATITUDE EFFECT OF COSMIC RAYS A MAGNETIC LONGITUDE EFFECT

by J. CLAY, P. M. VAN ALPHEN and C. G. 'T HOOFT

Natuurkundig Laboratorium, Amsterdam

# journey from Holland to Java intensity variies with latitude

![](_page_39_Picture_6.jpeg)

J. Clay et al., Physica 1 (1934) 376; 2 (1935) 183

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Fig. 1. Records of the variation of Cosmic Radiation with latitude on two different routes under different shielding with different instruments

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	Results 1928 and 1929.	

## **Compton: World-wide survey of intensity of radiation**

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Fig. 24. The instrument used in this survey is usually shielded with lead and is placed in the box when used in most airplane flights.

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Fig. 97. Showing the type of record obtained at sea level in this world survey. Two of the horizontal lines give barometric and temperature terords.

![](_page_40_Picture_5.jpeg)

Fig. 25. The camera will take a one-hundred-toot reel of 35 mm mation picture film which is driven at a constant rate past the slit by a power clock. Changeable gears allow various rates of film speeds to be used, depending on the expected ionization.

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F16. 6. Intensity vs. geomagnetic latitude for different clevations.

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FIG. 6.—Compton's world map of isocosms. Note the parallelism of these lines of equal cosmic-ray intensity and the dotted curves of geomagnetic latitude (50° N. and S.).

#### cosmic rays are charged particles

### ~1937 East-West Effect of Cosmic-Ray Intensity

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Fig. 14. The equipment for the E-W experiment.

**Rossi and others** 

#### higher intensity from the west

cosmic rays are mostly positively charged