CALETによる宇宙線原子核のエネルギースペクトルの観測



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Energy Spectra of Galactic Cosmic Rays

"Standard" model of galactic cosmic rays

- Diffusive shock acceleration via supernovae remnant
- Diffusion propagation in our Galaxy
 - Same power law spectra for all primary cosmic rays (dN/dE $\propto E^{-\gamma-\delta}$)
 - Acceleration limit proportional to the charge (Ec \sim 60 Z TeV), etc.

Unexpected observation results

• Spectra of proton and nuclei break at R~300GV





Instrument of CALET

A 30 radiation length deep calorimeter designed to detect electrons and gammas to 20 TeV and cosmic rays up to 1 PeV





Proton Spectrum



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Selection for C, O candidate events

Analyzed Flight Data

1,480 days (Oct. 13, 2015 – Oct. 31, 2019) T_{live} =3.00 x 10⁴ hours

Analysis procedure

- HE + offline shower trigger 50MIP in IMC-X/Y78, 100MIP in TASC-X1
- Tracking with IMC
- Acceptance cut CHD, TASC top (2cm from edge) and bottom layers
- Charge identification with CHD and IMC
- Background estimation
- Energy measurement and unfolding
- Flux calculation

<u>MC data</u>

- EPICS v9.22, Cosmos8.02, DPMJET-III
- H Ni in 1 GeV 1 PeV

Digitization of signals in simulation are modelled and tuned by beam test results and flight data; quenching, noise and saturation.

An example of Carbon event from Flight data





Study of trigger efficiency

- High-Energy Trigger (HET) is the primary CALET mission trigger, which is based on the coincidence of signals in last two IMC layers and top TASC layer
- HET efficiency for nuclei is measured using subset of data taken with the same trigger logic but lower threshold (allonging to trigger also penetrating particles)
- HET is modelled in simulation: good agreement between MC and flight data





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Charge identification





Energy unfolding

Characteristics of nuclei measurements with CALET calorimeter:

- thickness: 30 X_0 for electron, 1.3 λ for proton
- $\sigma(E)/E$: 2% for electron, 30% for nuclei
 - ➡ Need energy unfolding for nuclei to obtain primary energy spectrum

Iterative Bayesian unfolding

- Initial assuming spectra: $f(E)=A \times E^{-2.60}$
 - A is normalized by charge distribution in CHD
- Response function:

 E_{TASC} [GeV] (deposit energy in calorimeter) vs E_0 [GeV] (primary energy)





Correction factors of MC are 6.7% for E_{TASC} <45GeV and 3.5% for E_{TASC} >350GeV, respectively, while a simple linear interpolation Is used to determine the correction factor for intermediate energies



Energy spectra of C and O and the ratio





Fitting with single power law function



$$\Phi(E) = C \left(\frac{E}{\text{GeV}}\right)^{\gamma}$$

Fitting results of Carbon $\gamma = -2.626 \pm 0.010$ with $\chi^2/\text{d.o.f.} = 27.5/10$

Fitting results of Oxygen
$$\begin{split} \gamma &= -2.622 \pm 0.008 \\ \text{with} \ \chi^2/\text{d.o.f.} = 15.9/10 \end{split}$$



Fitting with double power law function



$$\Phi(E) = \begin{cases} C\left(\frac{E}{\text{GeV}}\right)^{\gamma} & E \leq E_0\\ C\left(\frac{E}{\text{GeV}}\right)^{\gamma} \left(\frac{E}{E_0}\right)^{\Delta\gamma} & E > E_0 \end{cases}$$

Fitting results of Carbon
$$\begin{split} \gamma &= -2.663 \pm 0.014 \\ E_0 &= 215 \pm 54 \, \mathrm{GeV/n} \\ \Delta \gamma &= 0.166 \pm 0.042 \ (4.0 \, \sigma) \\ \mathrm{with} \ \chi^2/\mathrm{d.o.f.} &= 9.0/8 \end{split}$$

Fitting results of Oxygen
$$\begin{split} \gamma &= -2.637 \pm 0.009 \\ E_0 &= 264 \pm 53 \, \mathrm{GeV/n} \\ \Delta \gamma &= 0.158 \pm 0.053 \ (3.0 \, \sigma) \\ \mathrm{with} \ \chi^2/\mathrm{d.o.f.} &= 3.0/8 \end{split}$$







C/O flux ratio



The carbon to oxygen flux ratio is well fitted to a constant value above 25 GeV/n, indicating that the two fluxes have the same energy dependence



Energy spectra of heavy components





- As of Sep.30, 2020, CALET has successfully carried out 1815-day observations with live time fraction to total time close to 85%. Neary 2.5 billion events corrected with low (>1GeV) + high energy (>10 GeV) triggers.
- Preliminary measurements of the primary cosmic ray elements have been carried out up to 100 TeV using 5 years of data.
- □ Direct measurement of proton spectrum in 50 GeV 10 TeV with 1,054 days of operation.
 Our observation allow to exclude a single power law spectrum for proton by more than 3σ.
- □ Direct measurement of carbon and oxygen spectra in 10 GeV/n 2.2 TeV /n with 1,480 days of operation. Our observations allow to exclude a single power law spectrum for C and O by more than 3σ; they show a spectral index increase and the same energy dependence above 25GeV/n
- The spectral hardening of carbon and oxygen is consistent with that measured by AMS-02, but the absolute normalization of the flux is about 27% lower, though in agreement with observations from previous experiments including PAMELA and CREAM.
- CALET mission is planed by March 2021 over 5.7 years after launch and is expected by 2024 with the approval by reviewing of the project status.