# Gamma-ray Opacity Map of the Milky Way Galaxy with CTA

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# **Current VHE Gamma-ray Sky**



![](_page_1_Figure_2.jpeg)

■~60 銀河系内天体。

# Cherenkov Telescope Array (CTA) Project

#### http://www.cta-observatory.jp/

#### CTA 計画(チェレンコフ望遠鏡アレイ計画)

従来より一桁高い感度 広いエネルギー領域 1000を超えるガンマ線源が

銀河系内・系外に発見されると予想される

![](_page_3_Figure_4.jpeg)

Simulation 銀河面スキャン(HESS and CTA)

# Gamma-ray Absorption

- VHE gamma-rays are absorbed by ambient photon field. Y(>VHE)+Y(opt-IR)→ e<sup>+</sup>+e<sup>-</sup>
  - typical wavelength :  $\lambda \sim 1.24 (E/{
    m TeV}) \mu{
    m m}$
- This leads to softening and cutoff in gamma-ray spectra of distant sources (e.g. blazars).

# Extragalactic Sources

## VHE Gamma-ray Absorption

Extragalactic Background Light

**YEB** 

IACT

blazar

VHF

 High redshift AGNs and GRBs enables us to study the cosmic star formation history.

### A Distant Fermi Blazar

![](_page_7_Figure_1.jpeg)

- Spectrum is simply extrapolated from the Fermi data (Γ=2.11).
- >20 blazars at z>1.

### A new probe of reionization epoch: GeV gamma-ray attenuation

![](_page_8_Figure_1.jpeg)

Y(>GeV)+YUV  $\rightarrow$  e<sup>+</sup>+e<sup>-</sup>. GeV flux attenuated by high-z UV background (Oh '01, Gilmore+09, S.Inoue+09).

Constraints on first star/galaxy formation.

GRBs at z>6 by CTA ?

![](_page_9_Figure_0.jpeg)

# Galactic Sources

### MC simulated Galactic plane map

![](_page_11_Picture_1.jpeg)

# **Expected Source Counts**

- 20-70 SNRs (>3mCrab, ||<60°, |b|<5°)</li>
  - Assume 2.5 SNe/century & VHE dominant of 5 kyr
- 300-600 PWNe (>3mCrab, ||<60°, |b|<5°)</li>
  - Assume 40 kyr lifetime
- 200 sources in ||<30°, |b|<0.5° (~3 sources/deg<sup>2</sup>)
  - cf. ~500 AGNs are expected in the entire sky
     (YI, Totani, & Mori '10, CTA-AGN in prep., CTA-Survey in prep.).

### Gamma-ray Opacity of the Milky Way

- Same as EBL, Galactic interstellar radiation field (ISRF) would absorb VHE gamma-rays (Moskalenko+'06,Zhang+'06).
  - Is it possible to see the PeV CR signature with CTA, HAWC, or LHAASO?
  - Is it possible to constrain the 3-D Galactic ISRF with CTA?

## **ISRF of the Galaxy**

![](_page_14_Figure_1.jpeg)

- ISRF model by GALPROP (Porter+'08).
  - Large uncertainty in modeling.
  - e.g. Cylindrical approximation for the 3-D ISRF map.

# **Optical Depth: Distance** (*I*, *b*) = (0, 0)

![](_page_15_Figure_1.jpeg)

Absorption is significant above 30 TeV at >4 kpc away from us.

## Optical Depth : Coordinate Distance = 8.5 kpc

![](_page_16_Figure_1.jpeg)

#### Galactic Center @ 8.5 kpc w/ CTA (100 hr)

![](_page_17_Figure_1.jpeg)

absorption signature at >20 TeV

- it would be difficult to see >100 TeV gamma-rays
  - hard to see signatures of PeV CRs with distant sources

### Galactic Center w/ CTA (100 hr)

![](_page_18_Figure_1.jpeg)

# GC with H.E.S.S. (100 hr)

![](_page_19_Figure_1.jpeg)

■ CTA の有効面積の1/10を仮定。

■ H.E.S.S. クラスでは吸収の兆候を探るのは厳しい。

#### G0.9+0.1(PWN) @ 8.5 kpc w/ CTA (100 hr)

![](_page_20_Figure_1.jpeg)

# Crab @ 2kpc w/ CTA (100 hr)

![](_page_21_Figure_1.jpeg)

Absorption would not affect nearby sources.

# Future Works

- 1.Deabsorbed spectra catalogs of Galactic TeV sources are required for the opacity map.
  - Population studies of the Galactic sources

2.Do created e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> pairs contribute to the Galactic e<sup>+</sup>e<sup>-</sup> spectrum?

## Summary

• CTA will detect ~300 galactic sources.

 Gamma-ray absorption is significant at >4kpc above 30 TeV for CTA.

 Gamma-ray opacity map would be a key to understanding the Galactic ISRF map.

To search PeV CRs, deep observations of nearby sources are preferred.