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## OUTLINE

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- Standard-Neutron Monitor
- Semi-leaded Neutron Detector
- Cosmic Ray Spectra
- Latitude Surveys
  - 1994-2007 (13 survey years)
  - 1995
  - 2009
  - 2018-Present
- Outreach

## **INTRODUCTION: COSMIC RAYS**

- Energetic particles or  $\gamma$ -rays from space
- Discovered by Hess in 1912 (Nobel Prize in 1936)
- Ordinary matter accelerated to high energies
  - **p**, <sup>4</sup>He, <sup>12</sup>C, <sup>16</sup>O, heavy nuclei and  $\gamma$ , e<sup>+</sup>, e<sup>-</sup>,  $\mu$ ,  $\nu$ , ...
- Key sources of cosmic rays for Earth's radiation environment:
  - From solar storms (solar energetic particles)
  - From supernova explosions inside the Milky-Way Galaxy (Galactic cosmic rays)
  - From intense events/objects GRB, AGN outside the Galaxy (Extra Galactic cosmic rays)
- Key cause of biological mutation





















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## **INTRODUCTION:** STANDARD NEUTRON MONITOR (NM64)

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## **INTRODUCTION:** SEMI LEADED COUNTER

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FIGURE 2 Semi leaded neutron detector

### **Cosmic Ray Spectra of Various Experiments**

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https://www.physics.utah.edu/~whanlon/spectrum.html

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Figure 4

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Figure 5 Solar modulation

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## LATITUDE SURVEY: VOYAGE IN 1994-2007 SURVEY YEAR

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## DIFFERENTIAL RESPONSE FUNCTION (DRF)

## **1995 SURVEY YEAR**

$$N(P_c) = N_0 (1 - e^{-\alpha P_c^{-\kappa}}),$$

$$N(P_c) = \int_{P_c}^{\infty} DRF(P) dP,$$

$$DRF(P) = N_0 \alpha P^{-\kappa - 1} \kappa e^{-\alpha P^{-\kappa}}.$$

$$DRF(P) = -\left[\frac{dN}{dP_c}\right]_p = \sum_i J_i(P, t) Y_i(P, h)$$

FIGURE 7 Dorman function fits to (a) bare and (b) neutron monitor data separately; (c) and (d) show the resulting differential response functions (DRFs).

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Solar Min.	Solar Max.	Solar Min.
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Solar Min.	Solar Max.		Solar Min.
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Solar Min.	Solar Max.	Solar Min.	
		2003	

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Solar Min.	 Solar Max.		Solar Min.		
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Left: Moraal et al. 1989 Below: Nuntiyakul et al. 2014

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Figure 8 Differential response functions for two survey years, near solar minimum, of opposite polarity and similar modulation level. A crossover is apparent at 4.9 GV.

## Straight-Line Fits of 3-NM64 (Uncorrected for McMurdo) Vs. McMurdo Rate for All Cutoff Rigidity Bins (BEFORE 2000)

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Figure 9 Straight-line fits of 3NM64 Vs. McMurdo count rate (before 2000)

# Straight-Line Fits of 3-NM64 (Uncorrected for McMurdo) Vs. McMurdo Rate for All Cutoff Rigidity Bins (AFTER 2000)

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Figure 10 Straight-line fits of 3NM64 Vs. McMurdo count rate (after 2000)

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Figure 11 Alternative presentation of the averaged data using selected rigidity bins and superimposing the data for different solar magnetic polarities. A filled triangle is used to indicate positive (A > 0) solar magnetic polarity with solid lines showing the linear fits. Open triangles indicate data for negative (A < 0) solar magnetic polarity while the dotted lines are linear fits to these data. There are clear differences in cosmic ray modulation before and after the solar magnetic polarity reversal.

## LATITUDE SURVEY: VOYAGE IN 2009 SURVEY YEAR

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FIGURE 12 Route of the Oden for the 2009– 2010 latitude survey, superimposed on contours of the 2010 effective vertical cutoff rigidity, calculated for April 08, 2010 at 12:00 UT. Numbers at each contour indicate the effective vertical cutoff rigidity in GV.

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Figure 14 Comparison of (a) the Dorman functions and (b) the differential response functions for southbound and northbound survey intervals.

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Figure 15 (a) Yield functions of the two bare neutron counters for protons and alphas derived from the 2009–2010 latitude survey and particle spectra at the top of the atmosphere. (b) Ratio of the southbound to the northbound proton yield functions.

## LATITUDE SURVEY: VOYAGE IN 2018-2020 SURVEY YEAR

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- Chinare35-XueLong
- Chinare35-Changvan
- Chinare36

FIGURE 16 Route of the Oden for the 2019-2020 latitude survey, superimposed on contours of the 2018 effective vertical cutoff rigidity, calculated for May 01, 2018 at 12:00 UT. Numbers at each contour indicate the effective vertical cutoff rigidity in GV. Courtesy Khampakdee et al.

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## **CHANGVAN NEUTRON DETECTORS**

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FIGURE 17 The placement of the 2NM64 and semi-leaded neutron detectors inside the Changvan Courtesy Khampakdee et al.

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FIGURE 18 The geometry of the Changvan neutron monitor implemented in the FLUKA program. The dimensions and materials of some the main components are provided. Courtesy Fongsamut et al.

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Figure 19 (a)-(c) Data set of the survey year 2019 and (d)-(f) of the survey year 2020, as a function of time. (a) and (d) Hourly averaged count rates for T1 (black), T2 (blue), and T3 (red). The vertical grey lines show the time period that causes the count rate to fluctuate by having other containers intervene. (b) and (e) The barometric pressure. (c) and (f) The geomagnetic cutoff rigidity, where the black line shows the apparent geomagnetic cutoff rigidity and the blue line shows the vertical effective cutoff rigidity. We will clearly see the difference between the two geomagnetic cutoffs at high cutoffs (low latitudes). Courtesy Khampakdee et al.

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Figure 20 Frequency histograms of short time delays collected for each neutron counter tube during one hour (2nd hour of universal time (UT) on the 20 December 2019 of the survey year 2020): (a) tube 1, (b) tube 2, and (c) tube 3. The red vertical band shows the electronics dead time for each tube, about 87  $\mu$ s. Statistical error bars are shown.

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Figure 21 Example of analysis of long time delay histograms collected for each neutron counter tube during one hour (2nd hour UT on the 20th December 2019 of the survey year 2020) of (a) tube 1, (b) tube 2, and (c) tube 3. Error bars are shown.

## **JANG BOGO AND MCMURDO STATION**

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LEFT: Asymptotic directions on December 20, 2015 at 18:00 UT. RIGHT: Small scale features as seen by Jang Bogo and McMurdo neutron monitors.

This work will be presented by Mr. Kittinan Jomprasert

## **OUTREACH**

### Web resources & Facebook Page

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Home About Us Members Our Research  $\sim$  Activities  $\sim$  Expeditions  $\sim$  Related Links Contact Us  $\downarrow$ 

- Establish <u>http://obs.science.cmu.ac.th/antarcticthai/</u> to provide information and present activities regarding my research
- Update Facebook Page that I have already been developed highlighting ongoing Astronomy and Astrophysics Research in Antarctica, especially projects with Thai involvement.

#### Why the Antarctic research in Thailand would be important?

HOME

Thailand is not a country with a natural interest in cold climate research, nor is it geographically close to the Antarctic. It, however, has a population of approximately 70 million, with a rapidly growing industrial and technological economy. It is, therefore, essential to maintain Antarctica pristine and exploit only for carefully controlled scientific purposes that Thai people are exposed to the reasons why the Antarctic is so important for scientific research.

#### What are we doing? Why Antarctica?

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