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Cosmic-ray anisotropy studies with IceCube FRANK MCNALLY,
University of Wisconsin - Madison, ICECUBE COLLABORATION — The IceCube
neutrino observatory detects tens of billions of energetic muons per year produced
by cosmic-ray interactions with the atmosphere. The size of this sample has allowed
IceCube to observe a significant anisotropy in arrival direction for cosmic rays with
median energies between 20 and 400 TeV. This anisotropy is characterized by a
large scale structure of per-mille amplitude accompanied by structures with smaller
amplitudes and with typical angular sizes between 10° and 20° . IceTop, the surface
component of IceCube, has observed a similar anisotropy in the arrival direction
distribution of cosmic rays, extending the study to PeV energies. The better energy
resolution of IceTop allows for additional studies of the anisotropy, for example a
comparison of the energy spectrum in regions of a cosmic-ray excess or deficit to
the rest of the sky. We present an update on the cosmic-ray anisotropy observed
with IceCube and IceTop and the results of first studies of the energy spectrum at
locations of cosmic-ray excess or deficit.

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