

Effects of self generated turbulence on Galactic Cosmic Rays propagation

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Diffusion in the Galactic Halo

To infer the spectrum injected by sources we need to understand the CR diffusion in the Galactic halo.

The most widely used model is the leaky-box with the following properties

- The diffusion coefficient D(E) is assumed constant everywhere in the halo
- The CR distribution vanish at $z = H (H \sim 3-4 \text{ kpc} \text{ inferred from diffuse synchrotron emission})$

This picture is unsatisfactory for at least two reasons: -

• Which is the physicalmeaning of *H*?

• What generates the diffusion?



Beyond the leaky-box model

A more realistic model should account for important physical ingredients:

- Better description of the escaping process
 - ^ transition between the acceleration region and the Galactic diffusion
- Generation of turbulence by SN explotions
 ^ dependence of D(E) on galactocentric radius
- Cascade of the turbulence
 - ^ dependence of D(E) on galactocentric radius and altitude

• Galactic wind (possibly driven by CRs)

- ^ advection of particles
- ^ energy dependent halo size H(E)
- Role of self-generated turbulence

Role of self-generated turbulence

Whenever the CR gradient is different from zero, magnetic turbulence is produced.

Resonant streaming instability

 $\nabla P_{cr}|_{p=p_{res}}$

Non-resonant Bell instability

$$F = -j_{cr} \times \delta \mathbf{B}$$

Self-generated turbulence plays a major role in determining the diffusion properties of CRs (see talk by P. Blasi)

 During the acceleration process
 During the escaping from the sources
 During the propagation through the Galaxy
 Propagation close to molecular clouds
 Only resonant modes are important Typically $\delta B < B_0$ Inear theory can be used But damping processes are important

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Transport equation for magnetic turbulence

 $\frac{\partial \mathcal{F}}{\partial t} + v_A \frac{\partial \mathcal{F}}{\partial z} = (\Gamma_{CR} - \Gamma_D) \mathcal{F} + Q_w$

Damping

Injection

Resonant amplification:

 $\Gamma_{CR} = \frac{16\pi}{3} \frac{v_A}{\mathcal{F}(k)B_0^2} \left[p^4 v \nabla f \right]_{p=p_{\rm res}}$

Effect of self-amplification near the CR sources: damping mecanisms

Non-linear Landau damping

(Zhou & Matthaeus, 1990; Ptuskin Zirakashvili, 2004)

$$\Gamma_{NLD} = 0.05 \, k \, v_A \, \mathcal{F}^{\frac{1}{2}} = 4.5 \times 10^{-9} \mathcal{F} \left(\frac{B_0}{3\mu G}\right)^2 \left(\frac{E}{10 GeV}\right)^{-1} \left(\frac{n_i}{0.45}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} s^{-1}$$

Damping due to anisotropic cascade (wave-wave interaction) (Farmer & Goldreich, 2004)

$$\Gamma_{FG} = \sqrt{\frac{k}{L_{MHD}}} v_A = 1.2 \times 10^{-11} \left(\frac{B_0}{3\mu G}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \left(\frac{E}{10GeV}\right)^{-1} \left(\frac{n_i}{0.45}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} s^{-1}$$
$$L_{MHD} = L_c$$

Damping due to ion-neutral friction (Kulsrud & Pearce, 1969; Kulsrud & Cesarsky, 1971; Drury et al., 1996)

$$\Gamma_{IN} = \frac{\omega_i}{n_i/n_n} \frac{v_A^2 k^2}{v_A^2 k^2 + \omega_i^2} \quad \text{if } \frac{n_i}{n_n} > 1$$

with $\omega_i = 4 \times 10^{-9} \left(\frac{n_i}{0.45}\right) \left(\frac{T}{10^4 K}\right)^{0.4} s^{-1}$

Unless neutral hydrogen density is very low, the ion neutral damping dominates

Evolution of CR density close to the source

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Distance from the source in pc

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Escape time as a function of particle's energy $n_i = 0.45 \text{cm}^{-3}$ - $n_i = 0.45 \text{cm}^{-3} n_n = 0.03 \text{cm}^{-3}$ $n_i = 0.01 \text{cm}^{-3}$ ••• $n_i = 0.45 \text{ cm}^{-3} n_n = 0.05 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ 10⁶ No neutrals With neutrals $n_{_{\rm H}}/n_{_{\rm i}} \sim 5\%$ -10% 10⁵ $t_{ m esc}[{ m yr}]$ 10^{4} **Standard escaping time using** Galactic diffusion

10²

10³

E[GeV]

10³ 10¹

Diffuse Galactic emission



Contribution of the escaping CRs to the diffuse Galactic emission [D'Angelo, GM, Amato, Blasi, in preparation]

Distribution of SNR in the galactic plane during the last $\sim 10^5$ yrs using a rate of 1 SN/(30 yr)



We assume the SNR distribution according to the model by Green (2015)

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- The slope @ 20 GeV is not constant

This scenario is difficult to accommodate in a standard leaky-box model

Possible solutions

In the context of leaky-box model several solution have been proposed:

- Extended halo, H > 4 kpc (Dogiel, Uryson, 1988; Strong et al., 1988; Bloemen, 1993, Ackerman et al., 2011)
 - ^ predices a flat spectrum (but not flat enough)
 - ^ cannot explain the denity bump in the inner Galaxy
- Flatter distribution of SNR in the outer Galaxy (Ackerman et al., 2011)
- Enhancement of CO/H₂ density ratio (X_{CO}) in the outer Galaxy (Strong et al., 2004)
- Injection dependence on the ISM temperature (Erlykin et al., 2015)
- Advection effects due to the Galactic wind (Bloemen, 1993; Breitschwerdt, Dogiel, Voelk, 2002)

CAN SELF-GENERATED DIFFUSION EXPLAIN THE OBSERVATIONS?

None of these ideas can simoultaneously account for all signatures

- flatness R > 8 kpc,
- peak at R~3-4 kpc,
- variation in the slope

Spectral breaks as signatures of CR-induced turbulence

The presence of breaks in the PAMELA and AMS-02 data can be explained by a different diffusion regime [Blasi, Amato Serpico (2012) Aloisio, Blasi, Serpico (2015)]

- *E* < 200 GeV ^ self generated diffusion
- *E* > 200 GeV ^ external preexisting turbulence





(Recchia, Blasi, GM, MNRAS 462, 2016)

CR transport equation with diffusion and advection due to Alfvén speed in the *z* direction only

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H $w = v_A$ R_d disc $w = -v_A$ Halo 2h

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Assuming $\Gamma_{\rm cr} = \Gamma_{\rm nlld}$ (

In the diffusion dominated case $(D >> v_A H)$ the solution is analytical:

$$f_0(p) = \frac{3c_k^3}{r_L \nu} \left(\frac{16\pi^2 p^4}{B_0^2}\right)^2 HQ_0(p)^3 \propto \frac{Q_0^3}{B_0^3}$$

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Fitting the local CR spectrum provides

$$\frac{\xi_{inj}}{0.1} \times \frac{R_{SN}}{1/30 \, yr} = 0.3$$

$$\chi = 4.2$$

Injection efficiency and slope are assumed the same for the whole Galaxy

 $B_{sun} = 1 \,\mu G$ Poloidal magnetic field at the Sun position

We take the source distribution in the Galaxy from Green (2015)

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Large scale magentic field in the Galaxy:

 $B_0(R < 5 \text{ kpc}) = B_\odot R_\odot / 5 \text{ kpc}$ $B_0(R > 5 \text{ kpc}) = B_\odot R_\odot / R,$

$$B_0(R > 10 \,\mathrm{kpc}) = \frac{B_\odot R_\odot}{R} \,\exp\left[-\frac{R - 10 \,\mathrm{kpc}}{d}\right]$$



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The flatning of CR spectrum occurs because:

$$f_{CR} \propto \left(\frac{Q_0(R)}{B_0(R)}\right)^s$$
 with $s=1-3$

1-D slab model with self-generated turbulence

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Yang et al. (2016)

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• D(p) is almost momentum independent for E <~ 10 GeV

$$D(z,p) = D_H(p) + 2v_A(H-z)$$

This trend is often put by hand in numerical simulation to fit observations

• A simple prediction of our calculations is that the spectral hardening should disappear at higher energies, where transport is diffusion dominated at all galactocentric distances.

• For R >~ 20 kpc this approach lose validity because $\delta B \ge B_0$

Diffusion coefficient D(p) at different position in the Galaxy



Conclusions – part I

- We still lack of a realstic description of the Galactic propagation
- Going beyond the simple view of the leaky-box model is required by data
- The effect of self-generated turblence produced via streaming instability could play a major role for the propagation of CRs with E <~ 100 GeV
 - Propagation close to sources ^ CRs spend more time close to the sources producing a non-negligible contribution to the diffuse y-ray emission
 - Propagation in the Galactic halo ^ the balance between advection due to Alfvèn speed and diffusion determined by CR streaming produce a variation in both the spectrum slope and normalization that well account for the data.
 - * A clear test for this model is the CR spectrum slope at E > 100 GeV because the advection becomes negligible

• In a forthcoming work we will analize the effect of a CR-driven Galactic wind coupled to self-generated diffusion

SNR-MC associations

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MCs as CR barometers

Examples of y-ray emission from clouds close or interacting with SNRs - [*Fermi*-LAT]



OBSERVATIONS of MCs in y-RAYS:

- CRs interact inside MCs $pp \rightarrow \pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma \gamma$
- strong emission in GeV range
- γ -emission sensible to CR energy E > 280 MeV
- MCs can be used to test different CR spectra:
 1) average Galactic spectrum (isolated clouds)
 2) injected spectrum (MC close to SNRs)

DETECTION OF IONIZATION

• The ionization rate of several molecules depends on the CR flux (H₂, H₃⁺, CH, OH, C₂, DCO⁺, HCO⁺,.....)

• Ionization sensible to CR energy E > 0.1 MeV

Is it possible to use combined information from ionization and γ -ray emission to infer the CR spectrum from ~MeV up to ~TeV and beyond?

Enhanced ionization rate in MC-SNR systems



CR induced ionization of molecular clouds interacting with SNR W28

[Vaupr³, Hily-Blant, Ceccarelli, Dubus, Gabici &. Montmerle 2014, A&A]



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Can low-energy CRs be excluded from clouds?

Previous works give conflicting results

Skilling & Strong (1976); Cesarsky & Völk (1977) (kinetic approaches)
 → CR flux inside the MC decreases below ~ 50 MeV

• Everett & Zweibel (2011) (fluid approach) \rightarrow no significant variation of CR flux

◆ Padoan & Scalo (2005); → enhancement of CR density inside the cloud $n_{CR} \propto n_i^{1/2} \quad for \ E \sim 100 \text{MeV}$

 \rightarrow We implemented a kinetic model for the full distribution function $f_{CR}(x,p)$ \rightarrow Inclusion of CR-amplification of Alfvén waves



 B_0 coherence length ~ 50-100 pc Cloud size ~10 pc 1-D approximation along the magnetic field lines

 $B_0 = \text{const} = 3 \,\mu\text{G}$ observations show that for low density ISM ($n < 300 \,\text{cm}^{-3}$), the magnetic field strength is independent of the ISM density (Crutcher, 2010)



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- Particles can escape from the cloud and return back because of diffusion
 → multiple cloud crossing



Boundary conditions for CRs:

$$f_{CR}(z_1) = f_{CR}(z_3) \rightarrow \left[\frac{\partial f_{CR}}{\partial z}\right]_{z=z_2} = 0$$

$$f_{CR}(z_1, p) = f_{Gal}(p)$$

Symmetric condition.

We do not impose any condition on the CR gradient at z_1 (different from Everett & Zweibel, 2011)

The symmetric condition catches the physics of multiple cloud crossing.





Density profile of the cloud: step function in density and ionization

 $v_A = \frac{B_0}{\sqrt{4\pi n\xi}} \rightarrow v_{A,c} = v_{A,Gal}$ Alfvén speed depends only on the ion density: for ion and neutrals are decoupled $\rightarrow E(k) < 10 \text{ GeV}$

$$k > \frac{v_{in}}{v_A} \frac{1 + n_i / n_H}{\sqrt{1 + \delta B^2 / B_0^2}}$$

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Diffusion





Energy losses



 α = 2.58; loss time for 1 MeV < *E* < 1 GeV

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 $\tau_{loss}(p) = \frac{p}{\dot{p}} = 1.46 \cdot 10^7 \left(\frac{p}{0.1 m_n c}\right)^{\alpha} \left(\frac{n_H}{cm^{-3}}\right)^{-1} \qquad \alpha = 2.58; \text{ loss time for } 1 \text{ MeV} < E < 1 \text{ GeV}$

Diffusion coefficient outside the cloud determined by magnetic field amplification:

$$D(z, p) = \frac{4}{3\pi} \frac{v r_L}{\left(\delta B/B_0\right)^2} \to D(z \to \infty, p) = D_{Kol}(p) = 10^{28} \left(\frac{p}{m_p c}\right)^{1/3} \beta cm^2/s$$

We assume diffusive propagation also inside the cloud with $D_c \gg D_{Kol}$

Solution for the CR distribution

Formal solution:

$$f(z, p) = f_0(p) - \frac{1}{v_A} e^{v_A(z-z_c)/D} \int_{z_c}^{z_c+L_c/2} \frac{1}{p^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \left[\frac{p^3}{\tau_{loss}} f\right] e^{-v_A(z'-z_c)/D_c} dz'$$

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The spectrum is affected outside the cloud up to a distance $z_c \sim D_{\text{Gal}} / v_A$

1) No magnetic amplification:

$$z_{c} = \frac{D_{Kol}}{v_{A}} \approx 300 \beta \left(\frac{B}{5\mu G}\right)^{-1} \left(\frac{n_{i}}{0.01 \ cm^{-3}}\right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{p}{m_{p} c}\right)^{1/3} p d$$

2) Magnetic amplification (without damping):

$$z_c = \frac{D}{v_A} < \frac{D_{Kol}}{v_A}$$



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For
$$D_c \gg L_c v_A \sim 10^{26} \left(\frac{L_c}{10 \ pc}\right) \left(\frac{v_A}{30 \ km/s}\right) \frac{cm^2}{s} \longrightarrow f(z, p) = f_0(p) - \frac{e^{v_A(z-z_c)/D}}{v_A} \frac{L_c}{2} \frac{1}{p^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \left[\frac{p^3}{\tau_{loss}} f_c\right]$$

 $\xrightarrow{\frac{v_A \tau_{loss}}{L/2}} \gg 1 \rightarrow f_c = f_0$
Distribution at the

Distribution at the cloud border

$$\sum \frac{v_A \tau_{loss}}{L_c/2} < 1 \rightarrow f_c = \begin{cases} f_c \propto p^{\alpha-3} & s < 3\\ f_c \propto p^{\alpha-s} & s > 3 \end{cases}$$

There is a breaking energy:

$$\frac{v_A \tau_{loss}}{L_c/2} = 1 \rightarrow \tau_{loss} = \frac{L_c/2}{v_{st}} \frac{v_{st}}{v_A} = \tau_{cross} \times \left(\frac{v_{st}}{v_A}\right)$$

number of cloud crossing

$$E_{br} = 70 \left(\frac{v_A}{100 \, km/s}\right)^{-2/\alpha} \left(\frac{N_H}{3 \cdot 10^{21} \, cm^{-2}}\right)^{2/\alpha} MeV$$







Ionization rate of H, due to protons

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	Free- streaming propagation	Propagation including multiple crossing
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Low	3.5 x 10 ⁻¹⁷	1.0 x 10 ⁻¹⁷

Predicted ionization not enough to explain observation

Electrons could play a major role

Conclusions – part II

Take away points:

- The presence of MCs affect the CR spectrum *inside* and *outside* the MC
 - \rightarrow Up to a distance min[L_{cohe} , $D_{\text{Gal}}/v_{\text{A}}$] far away from the MC
 - \rightarrow For CR energies up to $\sim 100 \text{ MeV}$
- The shielding effect can have important consequence on the CR ionization of clouds

Challenges:

- Use combination of ionization in MCs plus gamma-ray data to reconstruct the CR spectrum down to *E*~ MeV
 - \rightarrow Better description of particle transport inside the cloud
 - \rightarrow Description of electron spectrum