Constraining CRs in galaxy Clusters using Radio Halos and Simulations

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Why Radio Haloes ?

Large scale diffuse radio emission in clusters.

Power Law Spectrum,

- \Rightarrow Synchrotron Emission
- Models for Radio Haloes require
 - CR electrons
 - Magnetic fields

Use simulations to study Magnetic Fields and constrain CRs.





Magnetic Fields from Galactic Outflows (Donnert, et al. 2010)

- MHD-SPH Code GADGET (Springel+ 05, Dolag+ 09)
- Constrained Initial Conditions (Mathis 02)
- Semianalytic Model for Magnetic Fields in galactic outflows (Bertone 05)
- Instantaneous Magnetic Field Seeding by galactic winds at z = 4

Obtain Realistic Cluster fields





Field Evolution

(Donnert, et al. 2009)







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z = 0.0





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Different Field Models

(Donnert, et al. 2009)

- Seeding strength varied by factor 100 rel. to M82.
- Seeded halo mass $5 \times 10^8 10^{10} M_{sol}$.
- Strong seeding models show saturation in large clusters.

MF suppresses turbulent motions & amplification.

► All models produce µG MF in the largest clusters.

Amplification by structure formation very efficient. 6/18





Magnetic Field: Radial Profiles

(Donnert, et al. 2009)

- Comparison with observed MF profile in Coma, derived from 5 different RM sources (Bonafede et al. 08)
- Field follows density : $|\vec{B}| \propto \rho$
- Comparison 16 largest clusters with sample of Abell Clusters in RM.

No additional seeding mechanism needed to explain current observations



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- Assume $\epsilon_{\rm CRp} = X_{\rm CR} \epsilon_{\rm Thermal}$
- Vary spatial distribution
 - Flat
 - Motivated from simulations (Pfrommer et al. 08)

How do these models compare with observations using simulations ?





A Simulated Radio Halo (Donnert, et al. 2010)









Self-Similarity

(Donnert, et al. 2010b)

- Observed Radio Haloes break self-similarity (Cassano+ 07), R_{Halo} \propto R^{2.6}_{Vir}
- Simulated hadronic haloes follow self-similarity.
- Flat model gives halo sizes too small - increasing model better.

Scaling with thermal properties and size problematic in Secondary models





Cluster Sample: Bimodality

(Donnert, et al. 2010b)

- Only 30 % of large clusters host a giant radio halo (Venturi 08).
 ⇒ Bimodality observed
- Radio Haloes always observed in merging clusters.
- CR protons accumulate in every large cluster.

A priori secondary models do not predict the observed bimodality.





Gamma-Ray emission

(Donnert, et al. 2010b)

- CRp proton collisions produce γ-rays.
- Direct probe of CRp population possible !
- So Far FERMI satellite did not report detections (Mori 09).
- Most extreme models for Coma are expected to be excluded soon.

FERMI will clarify in the next years





Secondary Models: Conclusion (Donnert, et al. 2010)

Secondary models are challenged by observations:

- Break in self-similarity not expected.
- Radial profiles too steep Haloes to small.
- Observed bimodality not expected by CR model alone.
- Correct sizes not achievable with physical CRp energy densities (not shown).
- Spectral break not expected (not shown).

We therefore conclude that Secondary models alone are disfavoured by observations.



Turbulence & Reacceleration model

preliminary work

- \blacktriangleright CR electrons accumulate at $\approx 100\,{\rm MeV}.$
- Coupling to magnetosonic waves. (Cassano & Brunetti 06)
- Merger induced Reacceleration explains Bimodality and spectral break.

Estimate turbulence in simulation.

Solve Fokker-Planck - more complex spectra than power-laws.





Local Turbulent Velocities in SPH Simulations preliminary work

- SPH mass discretisation of flow - Smoothing of N neigbours inside smoothing length Hsml
- Local turbulent velocity RMS of velocity
- Extrapolate to relevant scales :
 - ► Injection scale ≈ 300kpc (Vazza 2009)
 - ▶ Damping scale ≈ 0.3kpc (Brunetti & Lazarian 2007)





Spectra from Acceleration

preliminary work

- ► CRe energies of 1-100 GeV visible for B ≈ 1µG and v = 1.4GHz
- Number density increases during major merger - bimodality
- Lifetime around 0.1 Gyr explains bimodality

Promising model for radio haloes



Low resolution simulation, turbulence not sufficiently resolved



Thank You !

