Cosmic ray anomalies: recent progress

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2 Modelling of diffuse backgrounds and application for dark matter searches

3 Defining their environmental effect

- Providing pressure support
- Driving Galactic winds
- Ionising interstellar medium

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Mertsch & Vittino

Pohl *et al.*

Tjus et al.

Kirk & Giacinti

Ø Modelling of diffuse backgrounds and application for dark matter searches



Kraemer et al., Mertsch & Vittino

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Kappl, Reinert & Winkler

Sigl et al.

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Pfrommer et al.

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de Boer & Gebauer et al., Unger et al.

Ibarra *et al.*

Strong et al.

Mannheim *et al.*

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Locally observed fluxes



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The transport equation

Ginzburg & Syrovatskii (1964)



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$$\frac{\partial \psi_j}{\partial t} - \nabla \cdot \left(D_{xx} \cdot \nabla \psi_j - \mathbf{u} \psi_j \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial p} p^2 D_{pp} \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \frac{1}{p^2} \psi_j - \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \left(\frac{\mathrm{d}p}{\mathrm{d}t} \psi_j - \frac{p}{3} \left(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} \right) \psi_j \right)$$
$$= q_j + \sum_{k \to i} \left(c\beta n_{\mathsf{gas}} \sigma_{k \to j} + \gamma \tau_{j \to i}^{-1} \right) \psi_k - \left(c\beta n_{\mathsf{gas}} \sigma_i + \gamma \tau_i^{-1} \right) \psi_j$$



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Ways forward

Precision

- Secondary-to-primary ratios depend on:
- astrophysical parameters •
- useful for calibration
- cross-sections •
- \rightarrow need to (re-)measure



Anomalies

- Additional sources
- New dynamics
- Complete overhaul?



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Unger et al. (2018)

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 - Rise above $\sim 7\,\text{GeV}$
- → Exotic contributions?

Interpretations:

Dark matter

- Leptophilic, strong boosts needed
- · Constraints from CMB and gamma-rays
- Can look for spectral structure?

Pulsars/pulsar wind nebulae

many free parameters:

- sources
- efficiency
- spectral index
- cut-off energies

Old supernova remnants

different species strongly correlated

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The positron excess - news

Abeysekara et al. (2017)



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Dissent

Fang et al. (2018), Profumo et al. (2018), Hooper & Linden (2018)

- $\mathcal{O}(100)$ smaller than D_{xx} from B/C!
- Implies that no TeV e^\pm could be observed!

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• Significant contribution with usual D_{xx}

The Galactic centre excess



- removal of astrophysical emission: spatial and spectral template subtraction
- morphology: roughly spherical
- spectrum: log-parabola? power law?



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Dark matter interpretation?

Dark matter

- ~ thermal cross-section, $m_{\rm DM} \approx 10$ $({
 m b}{ar b})$ or 50 GeV $(\tau^+ \tau^-)$
- Fermi-LAT coll. finds excesses of similar size along Galactic plane
- ⇒ upper limits



Unresolved sources

Bartels et al. (2015, 2017, 2018), Lee et al. (2015)

- spectrum and morhpology also consistent with millisecond pulsars
- can constrain unresolved sources
 - with photon-count statistics
 - or wavelet analysis
- follow-up in radio?



Ackermann et al. 2017



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Cosmic ray anomalies

Galactic centre - Fermi bubbles connection

Ackermann et al. 2017

- Need for a bubbles template closer to Galactic centre
- $\rightarrow\,$ Use uniformity of bubbles spectrum above and below $\pm 10^\circ$ latitude



- Bubbles connect to Galactic centre.
- @ Galactic centre excess significanlty suppressed.

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Fermi bubbles modelling PM & Petrosian (2018) .AC.RWTH

Is this a generic feature of models? \rightarrow probably not

Kinetic simulation of cosmic ray e^\pm in large-scale outflow:



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Flux from a population of sources



consider ensemble of sources at distances \mathbf{r}_i and with ages t_i

Ignorance of \mathbf{r}_i and $t_i \Rightarrow$ cannot predict e^{\pm} spectrum

measure e^{\pm} spectrum \Rightarrow learn about \mathbf{r}_i and t_i

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The TeV break

Kerszberg et al., ICRC 2017

Ambrosi et al. (2017)





- Is the TeV break compatible with a random ensemble of sources?
- Or is this a cooling break? Lipari (2018)
- Or due to dark matter annihilation?

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Jin, Yue, Zhang, Chen (2018)

A statistical model PM (2018) **AC RWTH**



- Contribution from source *i* to ϕ_k depends on distance s_i and age t_i
- \rightarrow Spectrum is a random vector: $\phi = \sum_{i} \phi^{i} = (\phi_{1}, \phi_{2}, \dots \phi_{N})^{T}$
 - Statistically characterised by joint distribution f(φ₁, φ₂, ... φ_N)

Applications

- **1** Likelihood of a model: evaluate $f(\hat{\phi}_1, \hat{\phi}_2, \dots \hat{\phi}_N)$ for measured $\hat{\phi}$
- **2** Extrapolate to higher energies: $f(\phi_{M+1}, \dots, \phi_N | \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_M)$
- 3 Quickly generate samples from model, e.g. for forecasting

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• Distribution of log-likelihoods in MC (source rate = $2 \times 10^4 \text{ Myr}^{-1}$):



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- Compare with log-likelihoods from H.E.S.S. broken power-law:
- Too little fluctuations!

Statistically disfavoured

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• Distribution of log-likelihoods in MC (source rate = $2 \times 10^3 \text{ Myr}^{-1}$):



• Compare with log-likelihoods from H.E.S.S. broken power-law:

Statistically compatible

 $\rightarrow\,$ Spatial and temporal correlations between SN events?

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Discrepant hardening I



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Discrepant hardening II



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Discrepant hardening III



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Discrepant hardening III



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Discrepant hardening III



Source or transport?

- Can be distinguished by secondaries Vladimirov et al. (2012)
- · break in source spectrum: break in secondaries similar



Streaming instability and large-scale transport

Blasi, Amato, Serpico (2012); Aloisio and Blasi (2013); Aloisio, Blasi and Serpico (2015)



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- self-generated turbulence on small scales, cascaded on large scales



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Break in diffusion coefficient



- 2 contributions to turbulence power spectrum:
 - external turbulence (supernova remnants and winds)
 - self-generated turbulence
- \rightarrow break in D_{77}
 - can also include spatial dependences



Future

 extend to 2D Galaxy \rightarrow solve CR gradient problem?

Evoli et al. (2012)

Cerri, Vittino et al. (2017)



complicated B-field geometry

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Spectral coincidences

- $\bullet\ p:$ accelerated in sources, diffusive losses
- e^- : (mostly) accelerated in sources, (mostly) radiative losses
- $\bar{\mathrm{p}}$: produced from p , diffusive losses
- e^+ : produced from p, mostly radiative losses



Yet, the $p,\ \bar{p}$ and e^+ spectra are markably similar!

A common source of e^+ and \bar{p} ?

Cowsik & Burch (2012); Cowsik & Madziwa-Nussinov (2016); Lipari (2016)

Nested leaky box model

Cowsik & Wilson (1973, 1975)

- 1 CRs are confined to a near source region: "cocoon"
- **2** rigidity-dependent escape from cocoon, $\tau_c \searrow \mathcal{R}$
- ${\scriptstyle ({\it S})}$ rigidity-independent escape from Galaxy $\tau_{\rm g} \sim {\rm constant}$
- \Rightarrow observed primary spectra \sim source spectra
- \Rightarrow secondary nuclei have contributions
 - from cocoon (softer than primaries)
 - from Galaxy (same as primaries)
- \Rightarrow \bar{p} and e⁺ have little contribution from cocoon

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Nested leaky box model

Cowsik & Madziwa-Nussinov (2016)



- Iow, constant level of anisotropy
- \odot explains similar spectra of p, $ar{p}$ and e⁺
- $^{\odot}$ soft source spectra, even softer for e $^-$
- S break in B/C not observed

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Conclusion

Cosmic ray anomalies point to ...



e.g. to explain TeV gamma-ray haloes and local positron flux



e.g. non-linear interplay between turbulence generation and transport





e.g. to explain spectral coincidences

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Backup

The data



Template fitting

- Linear combination of tracer maps: π^0 , inverse Compton, isotropic, pt sources
- Maximise likelihood \rightarrow derive spectra

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Loop I



MC result, source rate = $2 \times 10^4 Myr^{-1}$



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MC result, source rate = 2×10^3 Myr⁻¹



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The problem with catalogues



Contributions from various regions for homogenous source density

→ Effect on flux? PM (2018); also Ahlers, PM, Sarkar (2010)

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The problem with catalogues



Estimate error due to catalogue incompleteness with MC approach:

- Homogeneous density in disk
- Constant source rate $2 \times 10^4 \, \text{Myr}^{-1} \text{galaxy}^{-1}$

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• Draw samples with and without nearby (< 1 kpc), old (> 0.1 Myr) sources

Underestimates low-energy flux by up to $\sim 25\,\%!\,$ PM (2018)

Extra source models

- Any hardening explained by superposition of $n \ge 2$ components:
- "known" sources \rightarrow any multimessenger evidence?
- statistical model: "myriad model"

Statistical ensemble of sources

- analyse distribution of fluxes at fixed energies
- stable distribution with power-law tails, non-Gaussian!
- likelihood of deviations from expectation value $\lesssim 10^{-5}$



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