

Simulations of UHECRs in the local Universe and the origin of Cosmic Magnetic Fields

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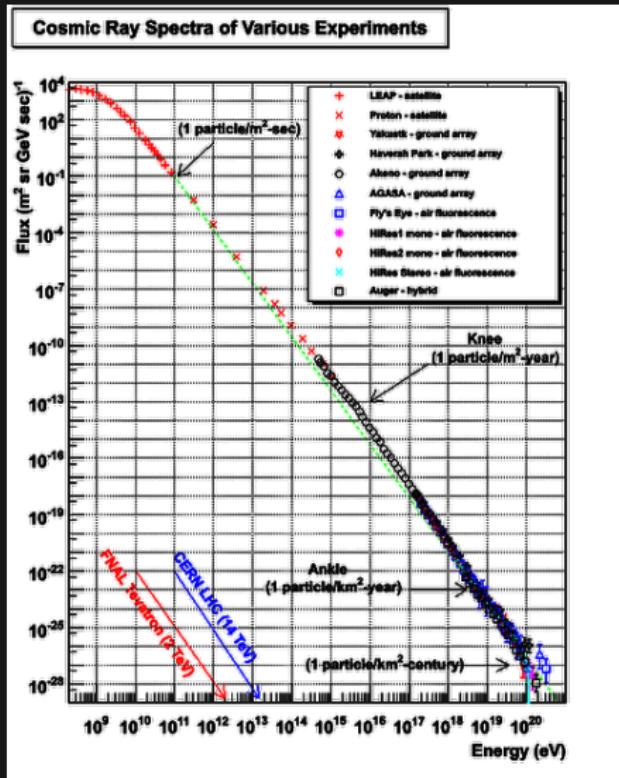
Overview

Ultra-high Energy Cosmic Rays &
Extragalactic Magnetic Fields
Magneto-Genesis
Magnetic Environment

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Ultra-high Energy Cosmic Rays



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low energy $E < 10^{18} \text{ eV}$

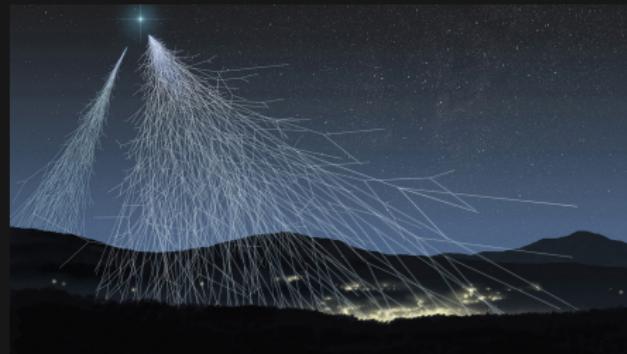
galactic origin

sources: SN remnants

Blasi 2013

W. Hanlon, Utah

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high energy $E > 10^{18}\text{eV}$

$r_g > R_{MW} \Rightarrow$

extragalactic origin

sources: *unknown*

GRB? AGN? RG? ...

Hillas Criterion

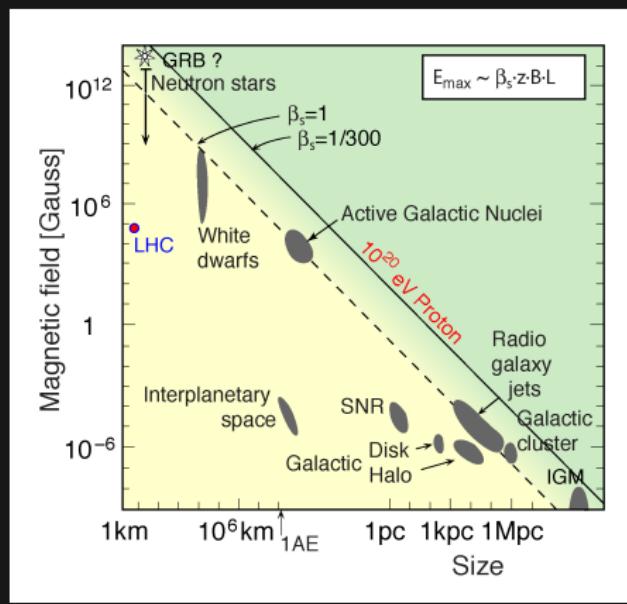
Fermi acceleration

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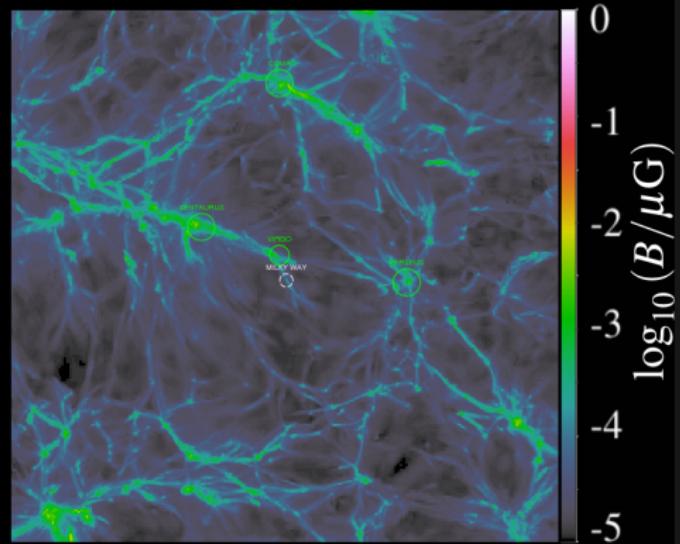
$$R > r_g \Rightarrow E_{\max} \propto B \cdot R$$

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Cluster?



A. M. Hillas

Extra-Galactic Magnetic Fields



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Planck 2015

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*Beck+ 2016, Feretti+ 2012,
Brown+ 2017*

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**measure EGMFs with UHECRs?
constrain seeding processes?**

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huge range of uncertainty

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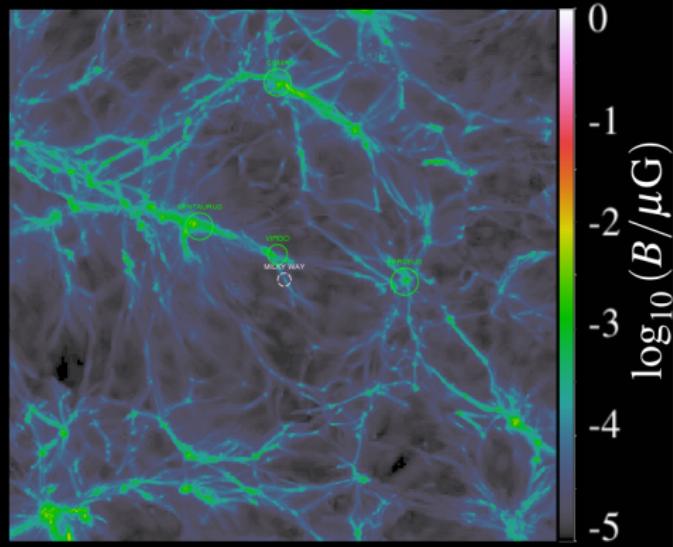
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cluster outskirts

unknown



Combine

ENZO

(large cosmological MHD simulations with AMR)

CRPROPA

(propagation of UHECRs in 3D models of EGMF)

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Magneto-Genesis

MHD models

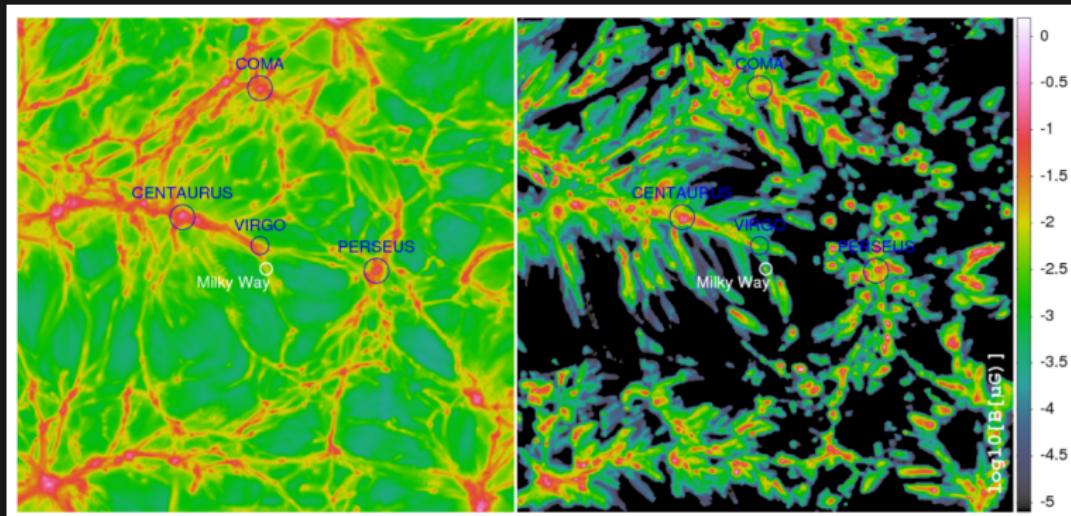
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astrophysical:

magnetic feedback from AGN, $z < 4$ ($B_0 = 10^{-20}$ G)



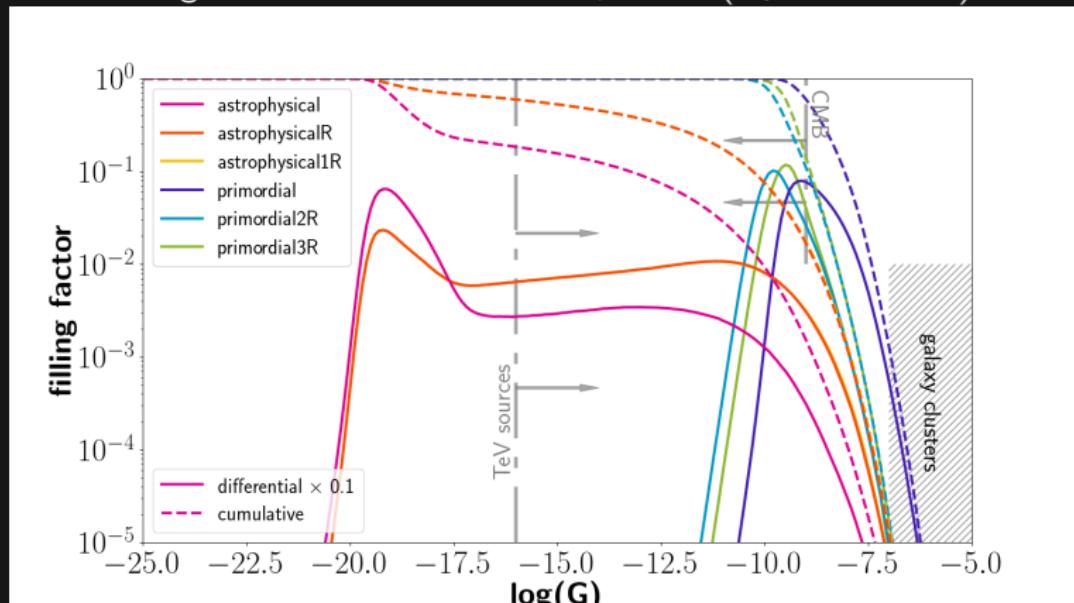
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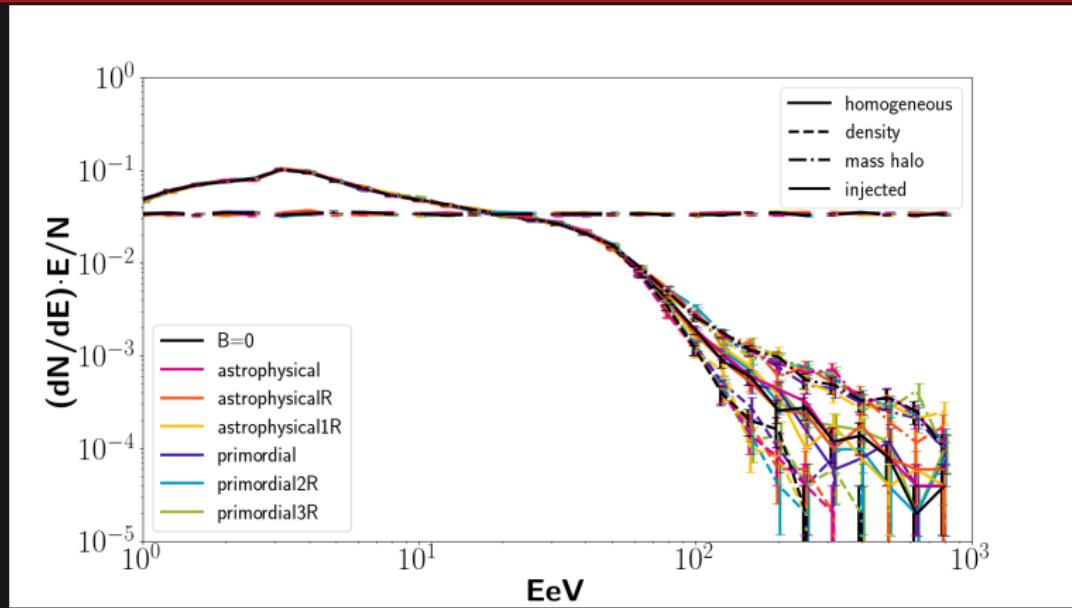
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UHECR results

Full Sky Energy Spectrum



GZK $\Rightarrow \gtrsim 100$ EeV determined by nearby sources

independent of Magnetic Fields
(Propagation Theorem, Aloisio & Berezinsky 2004)

Full Sky Composition

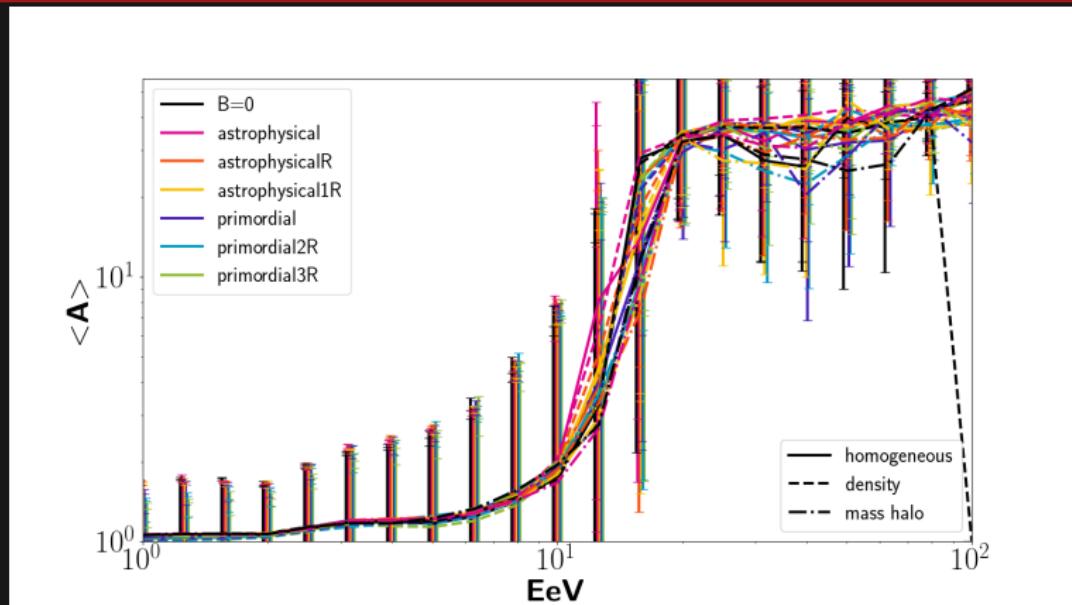
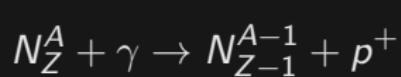


Photo-disintegration \Rightarrow $\lesssim 10$ EeV dominated by secondary nuclei

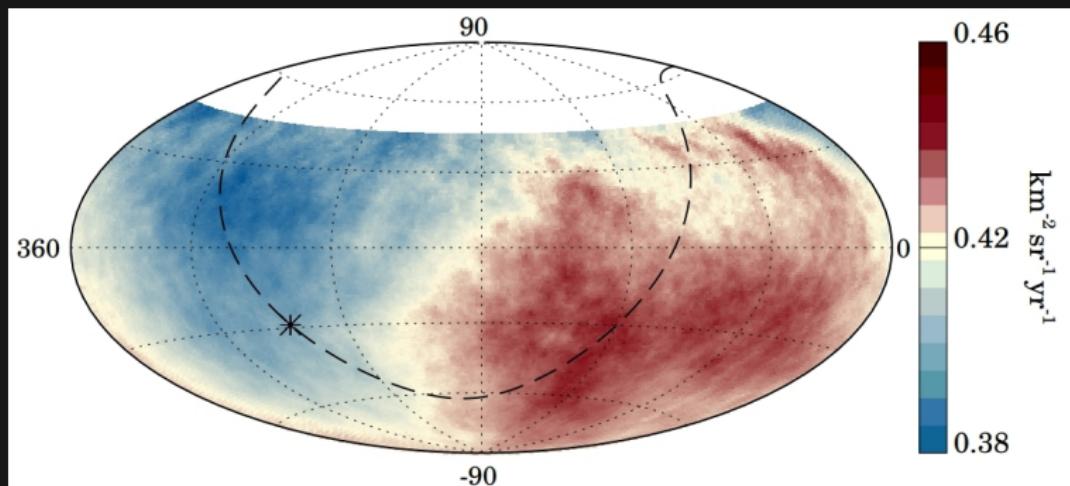


$$\frac{\Delta E}{E} = \frac{\Delta A}{A} \quad (\text{Epele \& Roulet 1998})$$

independent of Magnetic Fields

Search for anisotropy

Anisotropy observed!

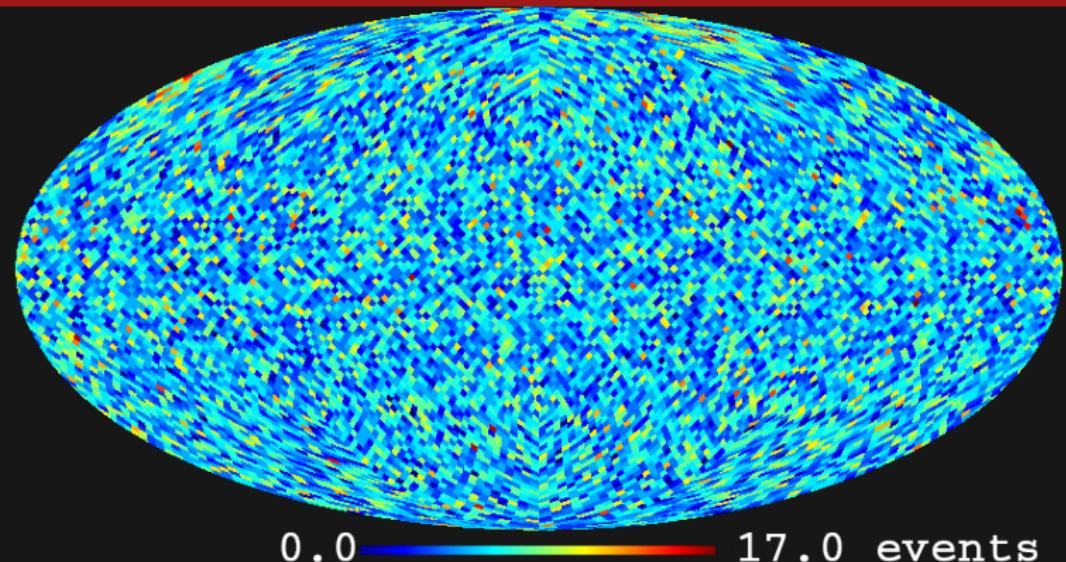


Recent observation of dipole by Pierre Auger Coll. 2017

Amplitude: 0.5%
Significance: $\gtrsim 5\sigma$

Time has come to identify sources?

Angular Power spectrum

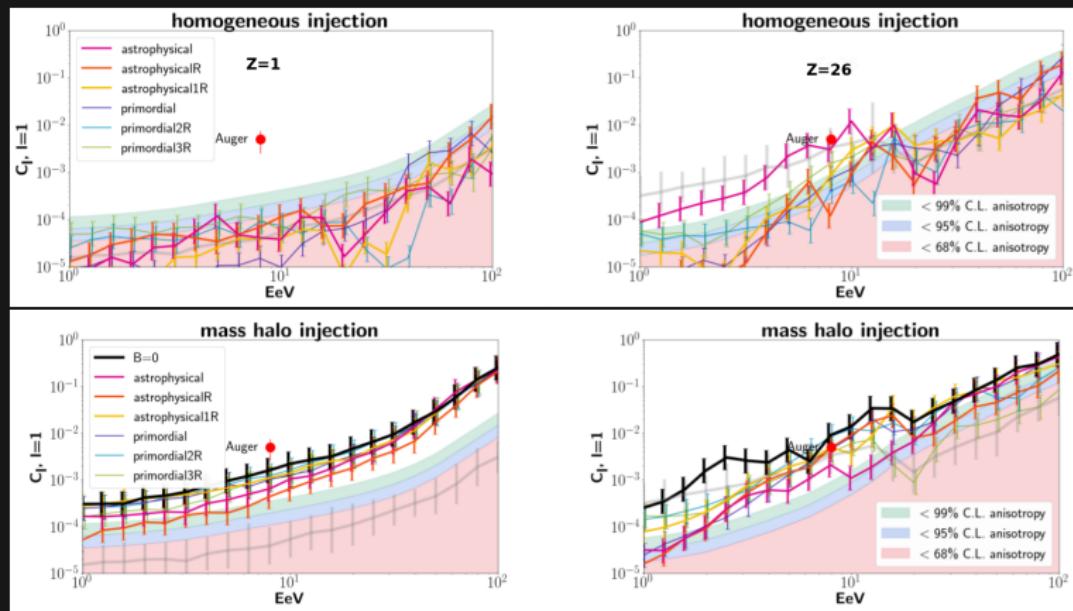


$$\text{Flux: } \Phi(\vec{n}) = \sum_{lm} a_{lm} Y_{lm}(\vec{n})$$

Angular Power Spectrum:

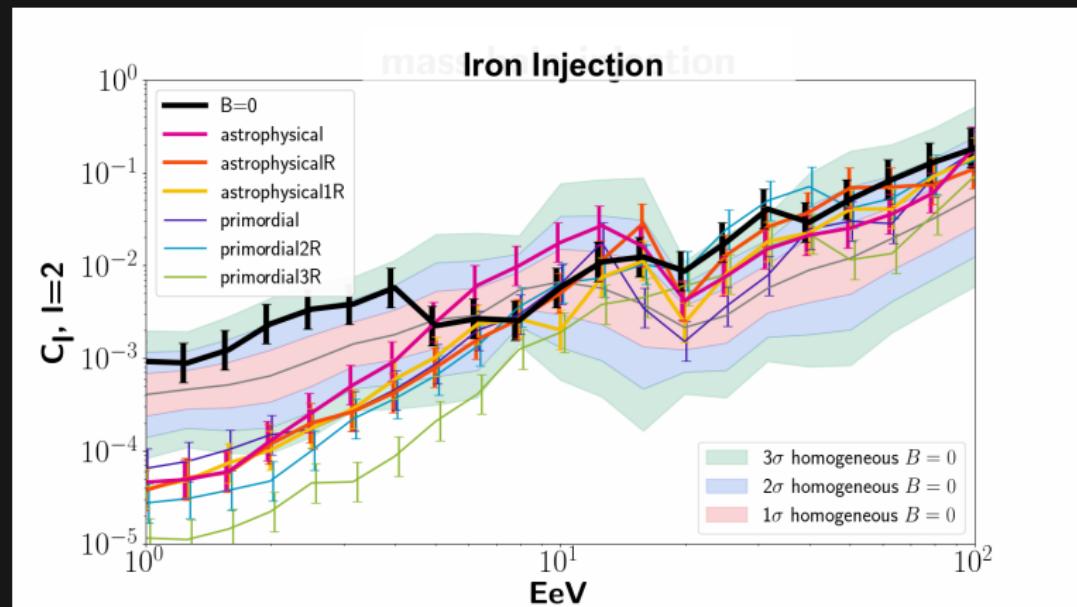
$$C_l = \frac{1}{2l+1} \sum_m |a_{lm}|^2$$

Angular Power spectrum



results for different MHD models well converged
⇒ **no info on magneto-genesis** in global anisotropy
heavy injection composition increases anisotropy $\lesssim E_{\text{max}}/A$
⇒ **reproduce Auger signal** *(Hackstein et al. 2018)*

Angular Power spectrum



ordered magnetic fields “wash out” anisotropy
(Hackstein et al. 2018)

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Magnetic Environment

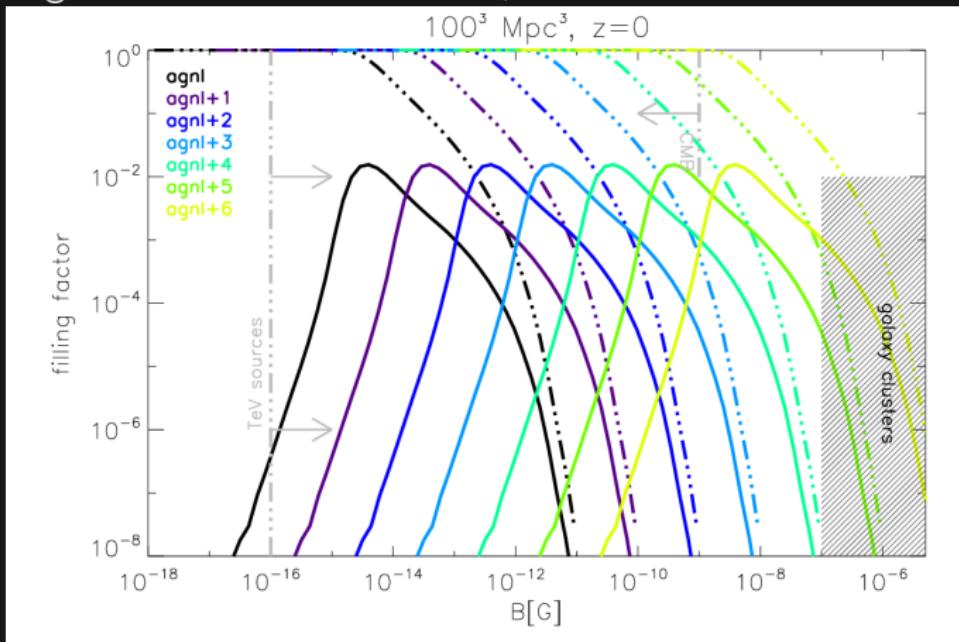
MHD models

unconstrained, 18 MW observers (*Hackstein et al. 2016*)

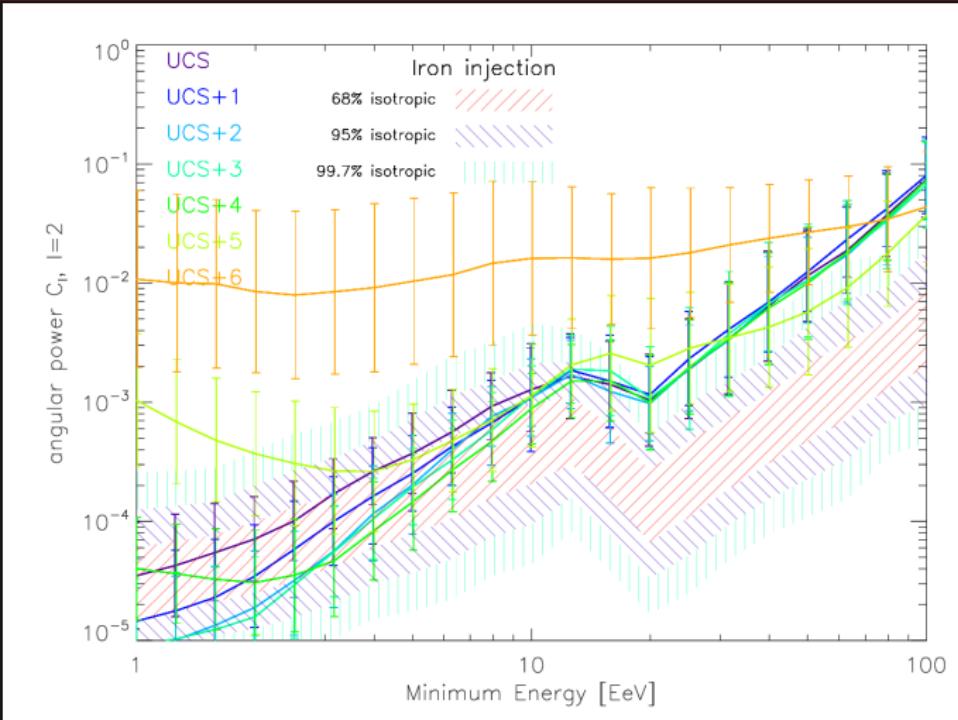
primordial: $B_0 = 10^{-13} - 10^{-8}$ G, $z = 60$

and astrophysical:

magnetic feedback from AGN, $z < 1$



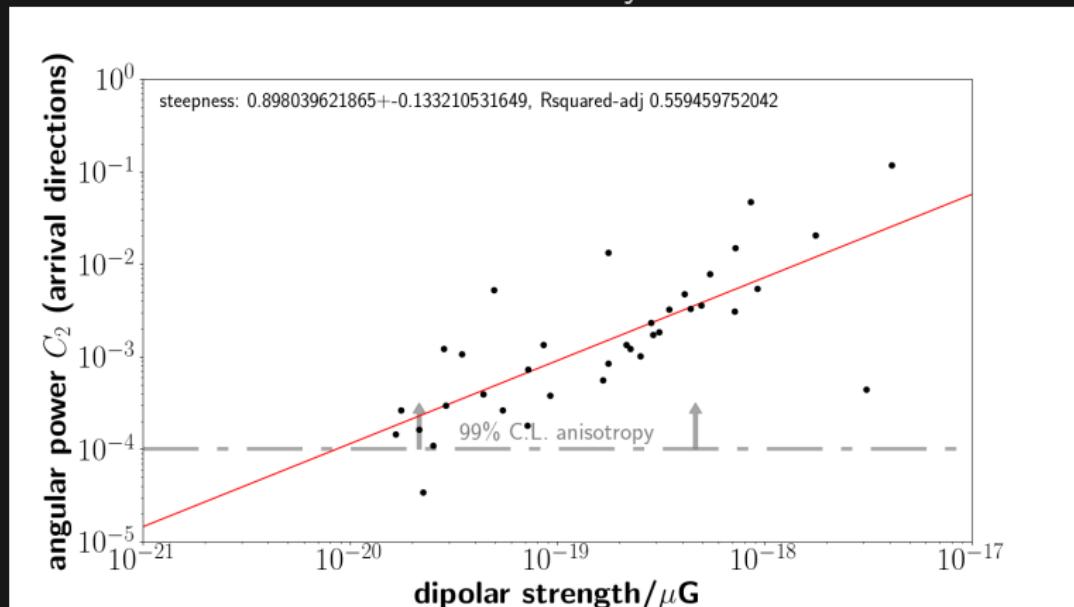
Angular Power spectrum



strong $B = \text{const.} \Rightarrow \text{deflection } \perp \text{ stronger than } \parallel$
 \Rightarrow increased travel time \Rightarrow change in energy spectrum
 \Rightarrow **quadrupole anisotropy**

Angular Power spectrum

!!! Preliminary !!!



linear relation quadrupole $C_2 \sim$ magnetic strength within $\lesssim 5\text{Mpc}$
limit strength of magnetic field around MW?

(Hackstein, Dundovic & Avola in prep.)

Liouville's Theorem

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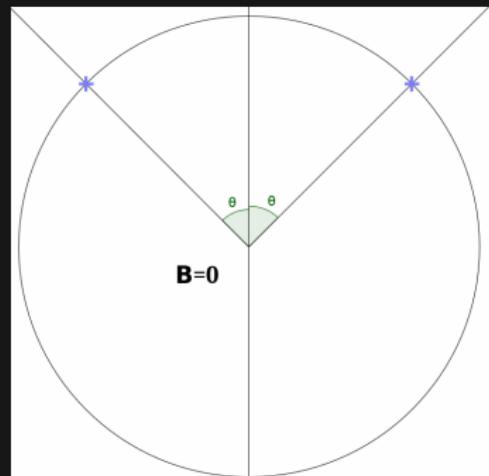
Assumptions: energy, composition & particle number conserved,
infinite trajectories

Uniform field

consider injection from sphere at distance d

no magnetic field:
 $B = 0$

number of starting positions on injection sphere depends on Θ & d : $N \propto d \sin \theta$



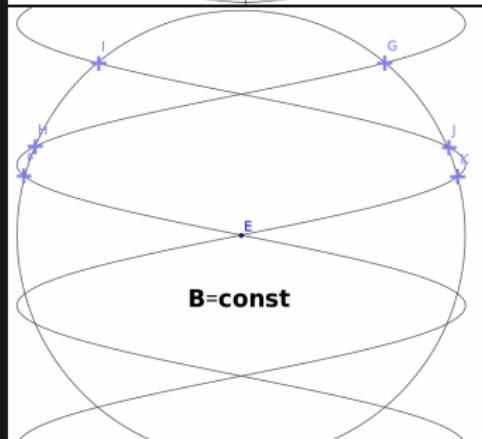
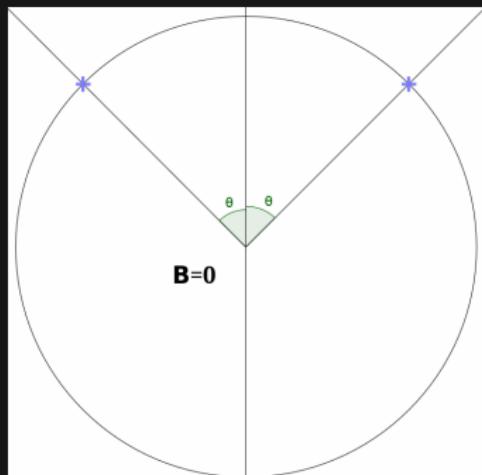
Hackstein et al. *in proc.*

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most basic magnetic field:
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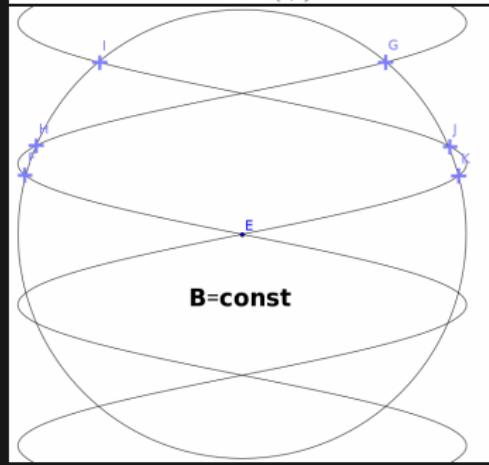
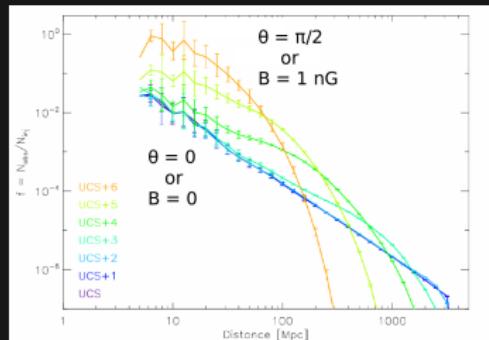
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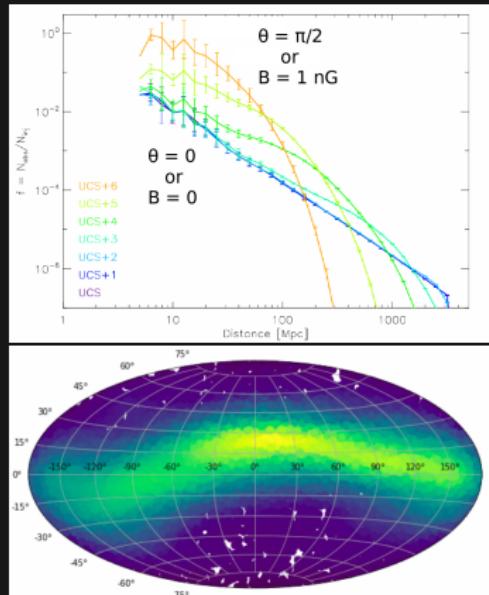
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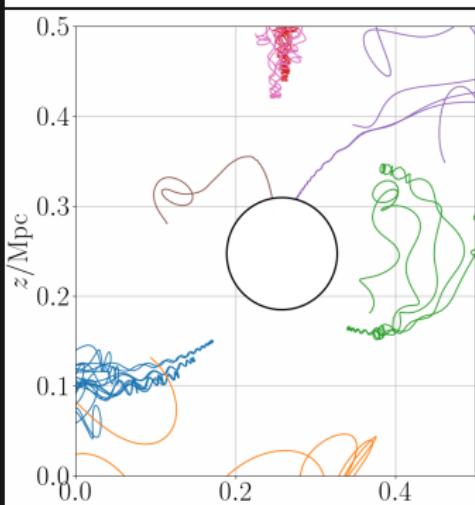
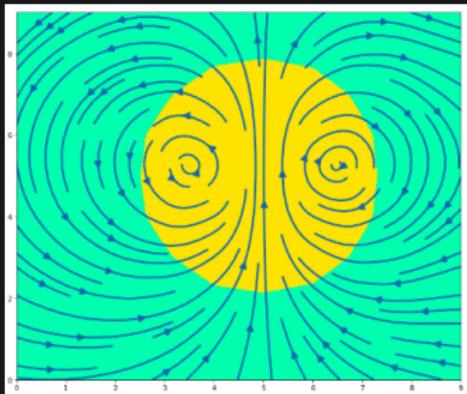
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Poloidal field



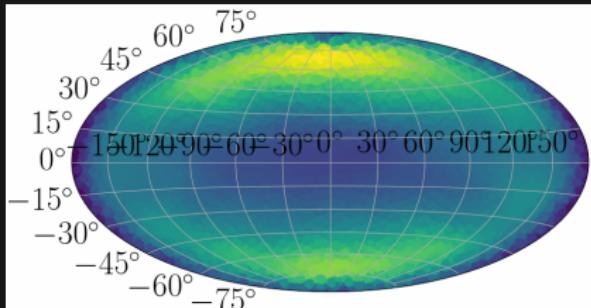
more realistic field: poloidal

shields at equator,
attracts at poles
(cf. earth's magnetosphere)

Parker, van Allen, Alfvén, et al. 1960's

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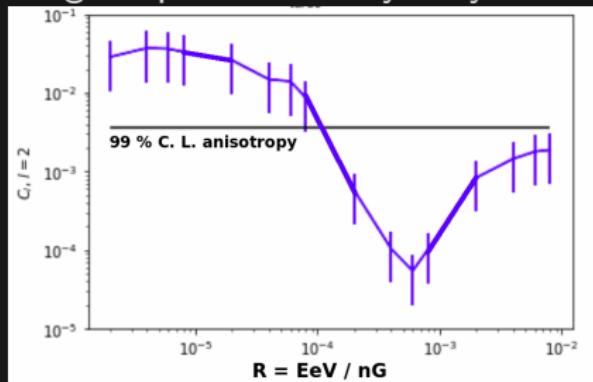


Constrain Magnetosphere of Milky Way

(quadrupole) anisotropy is not observed
→ infer constraints on poloidal component of MW Magnetosphere

$$R > 10^{-4} \Rightarrow \\ \underline{B_{\text{Pol}} < \sim 10 \mu\text{G}}$$

predictions for influence of Magntosphere of Milky Way



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Conclusions

ballistic propagation $\gtrsim 80\text{EeV}$
 \Rightarrow **UHECR astronomy possible**

observed anisotropy suggests **heavy injection composition**

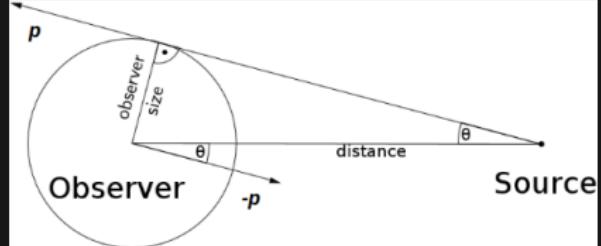
Different seeding models indistinguishable
 \Rightarrow **Ordered fields in voids have low impact on anisotropy**
 \Rightarrow **No info on magneto-genesis**

strong vertical magnetic component \Rightarrow stronger \perp deflection
 \Rightarrow change in energy spectrum / composition
 \Rightarrow **Limit vertical component in close vicinity of MW**

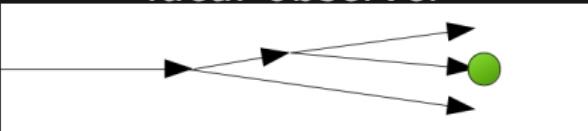
Artefacts

effect of finite observer

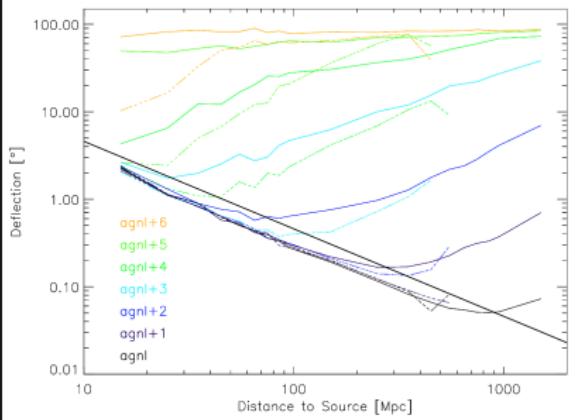
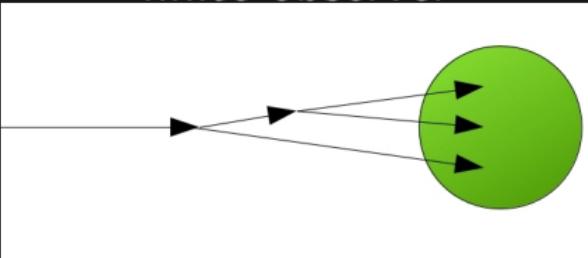
artificial deflection



ideal observer



finite observer



magnetized observer

