# CURRENT STATUS OF ASTROPHYSICS OF COSMIC RAYS (OR NIGHTMARE & PARADISE FOR A THEORETICIAN)

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## The Origin of Cosmic Rays



1963



The main textbook in astrophysics of cosmic rays for many decades

## Galactic vs. Metagalactic origin of CRs

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#### Gamma Radiation of Magellanic Clouds and Metagalactic Origin of Cosmic Rays

In metagalactic models for the origin of the primary component of cosmic rays (c.r.), observed near the Earth (energy density  $\overline{\overline{\omega}}_{G} \sim 10^{-12} \text{ erg/cm}^3$ ), it is required that the c.r. energy density  $\overline{\overline{\omega}}_{Mg}$  in some metagalactic region surrounding the Galaxy should be very close to  $\overline{\overline{\omega}}_{G}$ . In different metagalactic models the energy density in the source and

$$(\overline{\sigma I_G}) = \iint_{\sigma}^{\infty} \sigma(E_{\gamma}, E) I_G (E) dE dE_{\gamma} \simeq 10^{-26} \text{ s}^{-1}$$
$$E_{\gamma} = 100 \text{ MeV} \text{ (see ref. 11, Figs. 5-11).}$$

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1972, vol. 239, page 8

According to Bok<sup>12</sup> the distances from the Sun and the neutral hydrogen mass for the Magellanic Clouds are respectively equal to

I discuss here the possibility of solving the problem convincingly by measuring the  $\gamma$ -ray flux from the Magellanic Clouds (LMC and SMC). In fact, in metagalactic models the c.r. intensity in LMC, SMC and in the Galaxy is expected to be the same:

$$\overline{\overline{\omega}}_{LMC} = \overline{\overline{\omega}}_{SMC} = \overline{\overline{\omega}}_{G} \sim 10^{-12} \text{ erg/cm}^3 \tag{1}$$

In more complicated models there may be powerful c.r. generation in the galaxies under consideration as well; but I consider that to confirm the inequalities

$$\overline{\overline{\varpi}}_{LMC} \ll \overline{\overline{\varpi}}_G, \ \overline{\overline{\varpi}}_{SMC} \ll \overline{\overline{\varpi}}_G$$
(2)

would disprove the metagalactic hypothesis. In any case, in the

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#### Fermi-LAT: Spatially resolved $\gamma$ -ray emission from LMC & SMC

- ♦ Diffuse emission from LMC, SMC first time spatially resolved in  $\gamma$ -rays
- The large variations in γ-ray emissivity confirms across the galaxies the emission does not correlate well with gas column density in both LMC and SMC

Diffuse emission is produced by local cosmic rays, not Metagalactic Ginzburg - Cennential • Lebedev Physical Institute • May 30, 2017 :: IVM 4

#### Gamma-ray emissivity of LMC and SMC



 $\diamond$  The average  $\gamma$ -ray emissivity ratio is different for LMC and SMC:

- +  $q_{LMC}/q_{Milky_Way}$  (>100 MeV)  $\approx 0.25-0.5$
- +  $q_{SMC}/q_{Milky Way}$  (>100 MeV)  $\leq 0.14-0.17$
- ♦ Far from unit thus again rejecting the Matagalactic hypothesis

## Diffuse emission from starforming Galaxies



From the bottom to top one can clearly see the transition from soft spectra for the escape-dominated galaxies to the hard spectra of the energy-loss-dominated galaxies, with inelastic scattering dominating the energy losses

### Cosmic Rays as a Universal Phenomenon



γ-ray luminosity vs. IR
 luminosity for normal galaxies
 detected with Fermi-LAT

- The γ-ray luminosity scales linearly (index ~1.1) with the total emission of hot stars reprocessed by dust – a tracer of star formation
- The ratio approaches the calorimetric limit in star-burst galaxies
- An evidence of the SNR-CR connection in normal starforming galaxies

#### Cosmic rays in the Galaxy

Optical image: Cheng et al. 1992, Brinkman et al. 1993 Radio contours: Condon et al. 1998 AJ 115, 1693



R Band image of NGC891 1.4 GHz continuum (NVSS), 1,2,...64 mJy/ beam



"Flat halo" model (Ginzburg & Ptuskin 1976)

#### Distances to HVCs/IVCs





- broad agreement with propagation model
- hint at 50% decrease within 2 kpc from the disk  $\checkmark$  large halos

♦ First direct evidence of CR intensity in the Galactic halo
 ∧ first direct evidence of Galactic origin of CRs

Tibaldo+'2015

## Bayesian analysis of cosmic ray propagation

- $\diamond$  2D posterior distributions:
  - ✦ halo size z<sub>h</sub> vs. the diffusion coefficient D<sub>0</sub>
  - ✦ Alfven velocity v<sub>Alf</sub> vs. the diffusion coefficient D<sub>0</sub>
- $\diamond~$  The distributions do not overlap
- $\diamond$  Interpretation:
  - Non-uniform diffusion coefficient in the Galaxy
  - Local sources of primary nuclei (IVM+'03, Shaviv+'09)



#### Johannesson+'2016

## Effective Galactic volume probed through direct measurements of CR species



- Direct measurements probe relatively small Galactic volume
- Light and heavy nuclei come from different volumes
  - Effective Galactic volume is shown for ~1 GV, and for electrons for ~1 TeV
    - Assumed Kolmogorov model with the rigidity dependence of the diffusion coefficient with index  $\delta \sim 0.33$ 
      - Effective propagation distance:  $<\!\!X\!\!> \sim \sqrt{6}D\tau \sim 2.7 \text{ kpc } R^{\delta/2} (A/12)^{-1/3}$ Helium:  $\sim 3.6$  kpc R<sup> $\delta/2$ </sup>  $\sim 2.7 \text{ kpc } \mathrm{R}^{\delta/2}$ Carbon:  $\sim 1.6 \text{ kpc } \mathrm{R}^{\delta/2}$ Iron:  $\sim 1.0 \text{ kpc } R^{\delta/2}$ Lead: (anti-) protons:~ 5.6 kpc  $R^{\delta/2}$ ~ 1 kpc  $E_{12}^{-\delta/2}$ electrons  $\gamma$ -rays: provide detailed information about p,e spectra in the whole Galaxy ~50 kpc

### Fermi-LAT skymap >1 GeV, 48 months



4-year sky map, >1 GeV, front converting (best psf) (4.52M events)
♦ LAT: ~275B triggers, 225M Source class events
♦ GBM: >1000 GRBs

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# Diffuse y-ray emission

- ♦ Fermi-LAT photon count in the range 200 MeV – 100 GeV
- Model calculations are made
   with GALPROP tuned to the
   local CR data
- ♦ Residual emission (obs.model)/obs. is at the level %, up to ~10% in some places
- Excellent agreement between model predictions and observations



Ackermann+'2012

#### Distribution of the residual emission



- ♦ General agreement with models is good, but there are excesses at the level of a few %
- ♦ General features of CR propagation are reproduced well
  - Indicate location of new sources/phenomena
  - Differences in the distributions of the residual emission are due to the differences in the model parameters
- ◆ Детали моделей:
   2: SNR<sup>z</sup>4<sup>R</sup>20<sup>T</sup>150<sup>C</sup>5
   44: Lorimer<sup>z</sup>6<sup>R</sup>20<sup>T</sup>∞<sup>C</sup>5
   93: Yusifov<sup>z</sup>10<sup>R</sup>30<sup>T</sup>150<sup>C</sup>2
   119: OB<sup>z</sup>8<sup>R</sup>30<sup>T</sup>∞<sup>C</sup>2

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- ♦ It looks like we have a pretty good understanding of basic features of cosmic ray propagation in the Galaxy.
- ♦ Meanwhile, some of new cosmic ray data look contradictory in the existing framework, therefore, we are on the verge of a significant change in our understanding of the processes of acceleration and propagation of cosmic rays, i.e. of their origin.



♦ It can be called a nightmare or a paradise for a theoretician – dependently on how you look at it. In any case, it is interesting.

## Timeline of γ-ray, CR, and particle experiments



### PAMELA discovery: Rising positron fraction



- ♦ TS93 (Golden+'96): flat positron fraction 0.078±0.016 in the range 5-60 GeV
- ♦ HEAT-94,95,00 (Beatty+'04):
  "a small positron flux of nonstandard origin"
- PAMELA team reported a clear and very significant rise in the positron fraction compared to the "standard" model predictions
- ♦ "Standard" model:
  - + Secondary production in the ISM
  - + Steady state
  - ✦ Smooth CR source distribution

#### AMS-02: measurement of the positron fraction



## Interpretations





♦ Dark matter annihilation/decay (>1300 papers)

Astrophysical origin (~200 papers):
♦ Pulsars & Pulsar Wind Nebulae
♦ SNR shocks:

- + Galactic SNRs
- + Local SNR(s)
- ♦ Inhomogeneity of CR sources (SNRs)
- ♦ "Model-independent estimates"
- ♦ Photoproduction
- ♦ Radioactive decay



ISM





 ♦ In the "standard" scenario, secondary species are produced in the interstellar medium – softer spectrum at all energies

♦ In the SNR scenario, some proportion of secondary species is produced in the shock and then accelerated together with primary species – harder spectrum at <u>high energies</u>

Berezkho+'2003

# Secondary production in a SNR shock

- ♦ The model assumptions are somewhat different, but all models predict a rise in the secondary products
- ♦ The rise in pbar/p and B/C ratios become more subtle as the higher energy data become available



#### AMS-02: B/C ratio

- ♦ Contrary to expectations, the B/C ratio is monotonically falling up to 2 TV
- The "structure" is limited-statistics related and is not significant
- ♦ The dashed red line is a plain fit to the data that yields an index 0.3333





# "Discrepant hardening" breaks in p and He spectra

- ♦ First noticed in CREAM data, hints were present in earlier data
- Spectrum of He is flatter than spectrum of protons
- ♦ Perhaps similar
   breaks exist in
   spectra of heavier
   nuclei

# PAMELA: definitive evidence of the breaks



#### Inferred CR Proton Spectrum from *pp* Model by Kachelrieβ & Ostapchenko (2012)





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Gamma-ray Space Telescope

#### AMS-02 study of the break structure



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# Breaks in Li, C, N, O

- $\diamond$  Finally breaks in CNO are found at the same rigidity as earlier in p, He, Li
- $\diamond$  A significant proportion of Nitrogen is secondary - so steeper spectrum
- $\diamond$  The break in N is less pronounced than in C & O
- ♦ Li is 100% secondary and has a stronger break, but shown on a logarithmic Fluxscale

Also for Carbon, Nitrogen and Oxygen the single-power law behaviour is excluded by AMS-02 data: a change of spectral index is observed at  $\approx$  the same rigidity.



#### AMS-02: B/C ratio

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- ♦ The "structure" is not significant
- ♦ The dashed red line is a fit that yields an index 0.3333
- ♦ If C has the "break", B should also have it!
- ♦ and the breaks in C and B must be the same!
- ♦ but B is 100% secondary...



# More on breaks

- ♦ The breaks are at the same rigidity – indicates that the same (unknown) mechanism works for p, He, and heavier elements
- ♦ What's about electrons and/or positrons?
- ♦ The breaks are rather opposite – spectral steepening (I am not saying that they are significant)

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 $\diamond$  Why?



#### Voyager 1 counting rate in the heliosphere and beyond

- ♦ CR flux along the Voyager 1 path
- ♦ Note some delay relative to the sunspot maxima
- ♦ Weak last solar max helped to reach the ISM faster – smaller size of the heliosphere





SILSO graphics (http://sidc.be) Royal Observatory of Belgium 01/07/2014

#### Voyager 1 spectra for 2012/342-2014/365



Li - Ni : V1 spectra together with HEAO-3-C2 data ( $\geq$ 3.35 GeV/nuc)

Cummings+'2016

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- ♦ Fermi-LAT and PAMELA data agree well
- $\diamond$  Shows some structure
- $\diamond$  Flatter than extrapolated from low energies
- ♦ Sharp cutoff at 1 TeV (HESS), as expected



- ♦ Cannot be reproduced with a single power-law injection spectrum
- ♦ Origin
  - + Local sources?
  - needs a component with hard spectrum (positrons?)
- ♦ CALET was launched to the ISS in 2015 to find out!

#### Fermi-LAT observations of the inner Galaxy: residuals

(Data-Model): CR sources - pulsar distribution, point sources removed





# NASA press release



- ♦ Models reproduce the main features of the diffuse emission quite well
- Discrepancies between the physical model and high-resolution data (residuals) are the gold mines of new phenomena!
- ♦ Every extended source and/or process that is not included into the model pops up and exposes itself as a residual

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# Artist's concept of Fermi Bubbles



- ♦ The spectrum is "flat" (ongoing acceleration!)
- ♦ The spectrum is uniform across these huge structures! (what is the mechanism?)

#### Spectrum of the Bubbles



- ♦ The North and South lobes have very similar spectra
- The spectrum is very flat which testifies that the particle acceleration is ongoing
- ♦ Power-law with an exponential cutoff: index 1.9±0.2, cutoff energy 110±50 GeV

# Substructures and longitude strips



- ♦ The lobes are uniform
- The spectrum of the "cocoon" is pretty much the same as the spectrum of the whole lobes
- ♦ No spectral variations with the Galactic longitude





# V.L. would likely have an explanation ready by the end of the talk!

## Thanks!

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