A Model for the Intergalactic Magnetic Field and its Astrophysical Implications

- Evidences for magnetic fields in the large-scale structure of the universe?
- Intergalactic magnetic field from a turbulence dynamo model
- Astrophysical implications of the intergalactic magnetic field

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diffuse synchrotron from a filament?

(Rudnick private comm)





RM up to ~ a few x 10 Rad/m² toward Hercules and Perseus-Pisces superclusters? (Xu et al 2006)

in galactic coordinate (I,b)



positional correlation between 27 UHECRs > 57 EeV and AGNs as tracers of matter in the Local universe within 75 Mpc for a search window S (angular separation) < 3.1°

deflection due to extragalactic as well as galactic magnetic fields?

How was the intergalactic magnetic field produced?

Overveiw for the origin of the IGMF





Frequency and energetics of cosmological shocks



Vorticity should have been generated at cosmological shocks

directly at curved shocks







Vorticity around a cluster complex



Vorticity in the large scale structure of the universe





If $t/t_{turn-over} > a$ few, vorticity cascades to develop turbulence in the intergalactic medium.

Here, $t_{turn-over} \sim 1/\omega$.

- inside clusters and around (T > 10^7 K): ω_{rms} * t_{age} ~ 25
- in filaments (10⁵ K < T < 10⁷ K, or WHIM): ω_{rms} * t_{age} ~ 10
- in sheets (10⁴ K < T < 10⁵ K, or lukewarm): ω_{rms} * t_{age} ~ 1
- in voids (T < 10⁴ K): ω_{rms} * t_{age} ~ 0.1

It is likely that turbulence is well developed in clusters and filaments, but the flow is mostly non-turbulent in sheets and voids.

The energy of turbulence in the intergalactic medium





M_{turb} <~ 1 (subsonic turbulence) in clusters M_{turb} ~ 1 (transonic turbulence) in filaments Magnetic fields in the intergalactic medium Origin of seeds for comic magnetic fields is uncertain. some suggestions:

- 1. generation in the early universe
 - e.g.) during the electroweak phase transition (t~10⁻¹²sec)? during the quark-hadron transition (t~10⁻⁵sec)?
- 2. generation just before cluster formation, eg. in shocks
- 3. magnetic fields from the first stars and active galaxies

It is difficult to produce strong coherent magnetic fields in the IGM before the formation of the large-scale structure of the universe, but it is reasonable to assume that week seed fields were created

turbulence amplifies magnetic fields

 $\longrightarrow B_0 \ll \delta B$ in the IGM

very weak B field before structure formation



(while $B_0 \sim \delta B$ in the ISM)







3D distribution of magnetic field strength in (100 h⁻¹ Mpc)³ box: concentrated in clusters and groups along filaments

-> "cosmic web of filaments"

volume filling factor: f (B > 10 nG) ~ 0.01



Averaged magnetic field strength as a function of time



Average values of the intergalactic magnetic field

in filaments (10^5 K < T < 10^7 K, or WHIM) at present

 ~ 10 nG -> relevant to the propagation of ultra-high-energy CRs <B²>^{1/2} = B_{rms} ~ a few × 10 nG <pB>/ ~ 0.1 µG (<pB²>/)^{1/2} ~ a few × 0.1 µG -> relevant to synchrotron emission <(pB)²>^{1/2}/<p²>^{1/2} ~ 1 µG -> relevant to Faraday rotational measure

our model -> a minimal model other processes such as AGN feedbacks would increase the predicted strength of the IGMF



in the intracluster medium, the injection scale ~ 100 kpc (density scale height) -> characteristic length scales ~ a few x 10 kpc in filaments, the injection scale ~ a few Mpc

(radius of filaments) -> characteristic length scales ~ a few x 100 kpc

Faraday rotation measure

$$\sigma_{\rm RM} = 0.81 \, n_e \, \left\langle B_{\parallel}^2 \right\rangle^{1/2} l \left(\frac{L_{\rm path\, length}}{l} \right)^{1/2}$$

coherence length

 $l = \frac{3}{4}L_{int}$ ~ a few x 10 kpc in the ICM ~ a few x 100 kpc in filaments



our model IGMF predicts

- RM ~ a few x 100 rad m^{-2} through clusters (resolution affected)

- RM ~ 1 rad m⁻² through filaments

Synchrotron from the intergalactic magnetic field and cosmic rays





(Ma, Kang, Ryu in preparation)

- most relevant to shocks in clusters

 however, the physics of weak shocks are not well understood

- on the top of it, shocks with preexisting CRs have not studied so far

for quasi-parallel shocks





Nonthermal radiation from the intergalactic CRs

 $E_{\text{prim CRe}}/E_{\text{second CRe}} \sim 5$



log E dL/dE (ergs/s)





Spatial distribution of non-thermal radiations from primary CRe at z=0 Thank you !