Radio Haloes in Simulated Galaxy Clusters

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Why Radio Haloes ?

Models for Radio Haloes require

- Magnetic fields
- CR electrons and protons
- Turbulence
- Shocks
- e.g. Shocks in Clusters inject CRs in the ICM.

Hadronic models allow constrains on the injection efficiency



Vazza et.al. 2009



Magnetic Fields from Galactic Outflows

(Donnert, et.al. 2008)

- MHD-SPH Code GADGET (Springel et.al. 05, Dolag et.al. 09)
- Constrained Initial Conditions (Mathis 02)
- Semianalytic Model for Magnetic Fields in galactic outflows (Bertone 05)
- Magnetic Field Seeding in Cosmological MHD Simulations
 ⇒ Obtain Realistic Cluster fields





Field Evolution

(Donnert, et.al. 2008)





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Magnetic Field: Radial Profiles (Donnert, et.al. 2008)

- Comparison with observed MF profile in Coma, derived from 5 different RM sources (Bonafede et. al. 2008)
- Field follows density : $\vec{B} \propto \rho$
- Comparison 16 largest clusters with sample of Abell Clusters in RM.
- Use realistic fields to compare Radio Emission with observations



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(Blasi et.al.2007)



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- CRe density is fraction of thermal density
- Vary spatial distribution
 - Flat
 - Motivated from simulations (Pfrommer et.al.2008)
 - Fitted to observations (Deiss 1996)

How do these models in our simulation compare with observations?



Pfrommer et.al 2008



The Simulated Coma Radio Halo

(Donnert, et.al. 2009)





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Radial Profiles (Donnert, et.al. 2009)

- Normalize CR relative to thermal density to fit the overall luminosity of Coma
- Both models are too small to fit the observations (black - fixed, red - scaled)
- Further fix spatial distribution to fit the radial profile (cyan)





CR Proton Energy Density (Donnert, et.al. 2009)

- Energy density in CR protons relative to thermal protons
- Constant model OK, spatially variing model reaches 10% at virial radius
- ▶ To fit the radial profile a hadronic model needs > 10% energy in CR protons at r > 0.1r_{Vir} ⇒ Significant pressure contribution from CR protons, not observed





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SZ-Decrement

(Donnert, et.al. 2009)

- In Coma, a spectral break at 1.4 GHz is observed
- Secondary Models predict a strict power-law at high energies
- Break due to Sunyaev-Zeldovich decrement ?
- Size of emission region important
- In Simulation : The SZ-decrement is not sufficient to explain break





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Expected Gamma-Ray emission

(Donnert, et.al. 2009)

- Secondary Models can be studied best at γ-ray energies.
- Our models cannot be ruled out by current observations
- All models will be ultimately tested by the Fermi experiment (sensitivity $\approx 10^{-9} \gamma/s/cm^2$)



Cluster Sample: Bimodality

(Donnert, et.al. in prep.)

- ➤ Observations show only a fraction of large cluster host a giant radio halo (≈ 30% (Venturi 2008)).
- Radio Haloes always observed in disturbed clusters.
- CR protons accumulate in every large cluster.

⇒ Secondary models are not able to reproduce the observed bimodality in terms of CR population.





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Secondary Models: Conclusion

(Donnert, et.al. 2009)

Secondary models are challenged by observations:

- Radial profiles too steep Haloes to small.
- Correct sizes not achievable with physical CRp energy densities.
- Spectral break not explainable SZ decrement not sufficient.
- Observed bimodality not expected.

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



Turbulence & Reacceleration model

preliminary work

- CR electrons accumulate at $\approx 100 \,\mathrm{MeV}.$
- Coupling to magnetosonic waves. (Cassano & Brunetti 06)
- Merger induced Reacceleration explains Bimodality and spectral break.
- $\begin{array}{l} \Rightarrow \mbox{ Estimate turbulence in simulation.} \\ \Rightarrow \mbox{ Solve Fokker-Planck more} \\ \mbox{ complex spectra than power-laws.} \end{array}$



(Blasi et.al.2007)



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Local Turbulent Velocities in SPH Simulations

- 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)





Local Turbulent Velocity in SPH





$v_{\rm turb}$: Radial Profiles

- Turbulent spectrum is sampled on different scales by every SPH particle.
- Upscaling to range of 300 kpc to 0.3 kpc.
- Assume Kraichnan spectrum $\propto k^{3/2}$.
- Numerics unclear at the moment.





Reacceleration Model: Gain vers. Loss Terms

- ▶ For electrons at 200 MeV
- Gain up to factor of 3 enhanced during merging phase

Next steps :

- Solve Fokker-Planck to obtain spectra
- Study numerics of turbulent velocity in SPH





Thank You !

