

The challenge of turbulence in galaxy clusters: physics and particle acceleration

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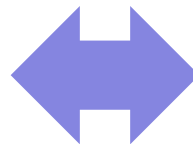
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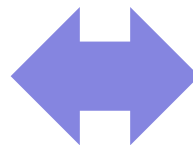
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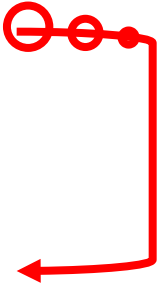
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Plasma Collective effects



Radio Halos as tracers of turbulent regions in clusters

Merger-driven turbulence traps particles in Mpc volumes and (re)accelerates them.

(Brunetti et al. 01,04, Petrosian 01, .. Ohno et al 02, Fujita et al. 03, Cassano & Brunetti 05, Brunetti & Lazarian 07,11, Donnert et al 13, Beresnyak et al 13, Donnert & Brunetti 14, Miniati 15, Brunetti 16, Pinzke et al 16, Fujita et al 16 ...)

COMBINATION OF FACTS:

❑ Diffusion Problem

Diffusion scale of relativistic electrons in a lifetime is \ll RH size [Jaffe 77, ... Berezhinsky et al 97, ...]

❑ Lack of CR protons

Gamma-ray limits suggest that number of CRp is not enough to generate RH via pure CRp-p collisions [Fermi Coll 2010,14, Jeltema+Profumo 10, Brunetti et al 12]

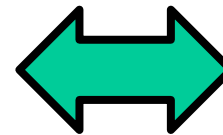
❑ Steep Spectrum of RH

Acceleration mechanisms for RH should be inefficient (Fermi-II ?) [Schlickeiser et al 87, ... Brunetti et al 08...]

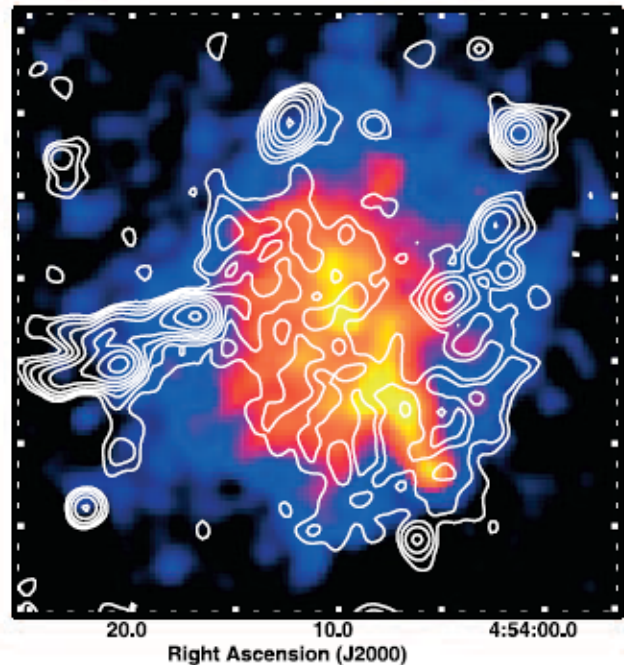
❑ Connection with Mergers

Robust statistical evidences that RH are generated in disturbed clusters [Cassano et al 2010, ... Cuciti et al 15, ..]

Cluster-scale non-thermal emission probes that energy generated on LS (100+ kpc) is channeled into electromagnetic fluctuations and CR acceleration at smaller scales.



RH are probes of ICM microphysics



Focus on LS Compressive turbulence ...

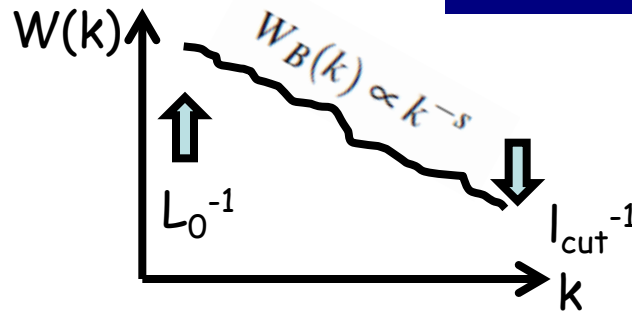
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Transit Time Damping (TTD)

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Interaction between magnetic momentum of particles and parallel gradient of B



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$$\frac{\delta B^2}{B_0^2} \left(\frac{L_0}{l_{cut}} \right)^{1-s} \left(\frac{c_s^2}{cl_{cut}} p^2 \right)$$

l_{cut} is the dominant scale for acceleration

fraction of energy available at small scales

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$$\Gamma = -i \left(\frac{E_i^* K_{ij}^a E_j}{16\pi W} \right)_{\omega_i=0} \omega_r$$

$$\tau_{kk} \approx \frac{k^2}{(\partial/\partial k)(k^2 D_{kk})} \sim \frac{2}{9} \frac{c_s}{\delta V^2} (kk_0)^{-1/2}$$

MHD model?

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MACROPHYSICS **microphysics**

$$k_{cut,K} \simeq \frac{81}{4} \left(\frac{\delta V^2}{c_s} \right)^2 \frac{k_0}{(\sum_{\alpha} \langle \Gamma_{\alpha} \rangle k^{-1})^2}$$

Kraichnan

$$k_{cut,s} = \left[\frac{2}{7} (5-s) k_{cut,K}^{1/2} k_0^{s-3/2} \right]^{\frac{1}{s-1}}$$

general

The spectrum affects also the cut-off scale

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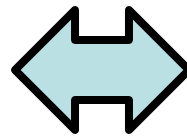
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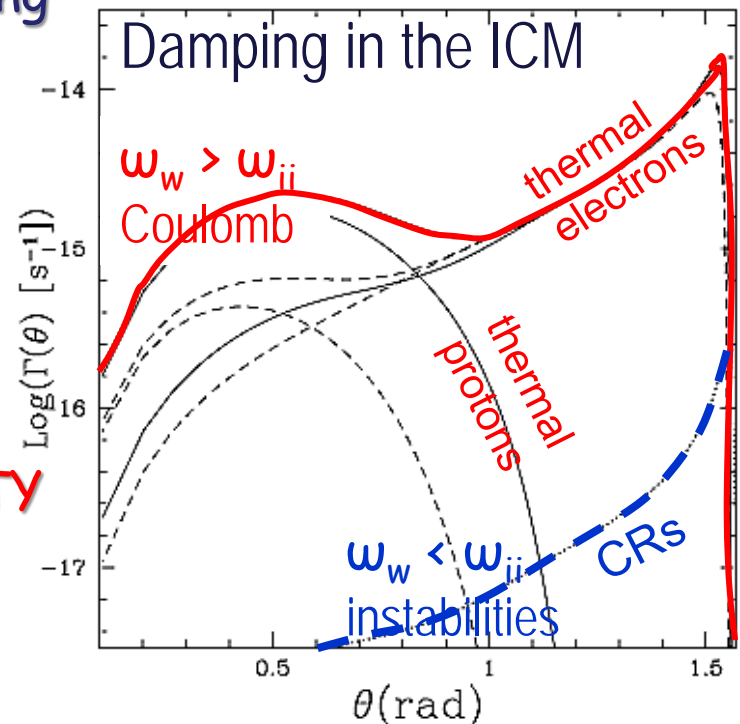
Acceleration depends on **COLLISIONALITY** and on the **SPECTRUM** of electromagnetic fluctuations in the ICM

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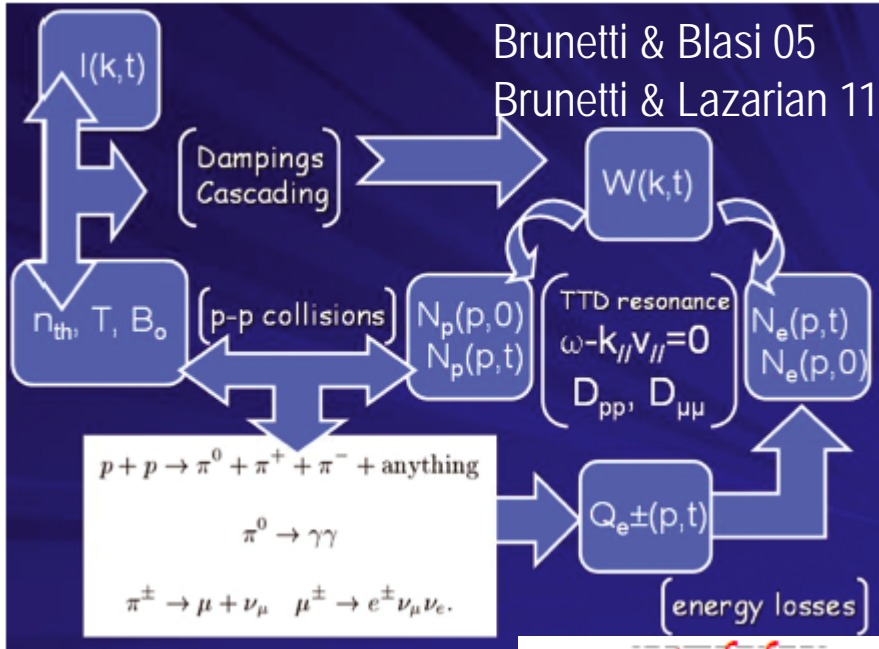
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Acceleration efficiency is larger if plasma effects increase ICM
effective collisionality because the bulk of turbulent energy flux
is channeled into CR acceleration [Brunetti & Lazarian 11, Miniati 15,
Brunetti 16]

Reacceleration of CRe, CRp & secondaries



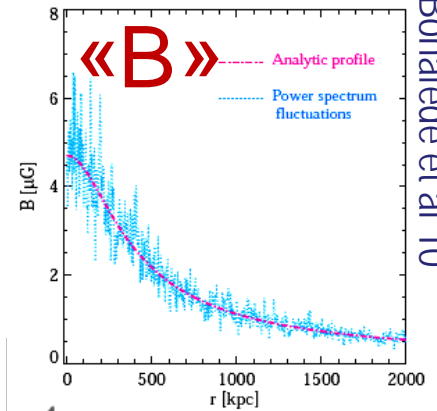
assumptions

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$$E_{tur} \approx 10\% E_{th}$$

$$f = \frac{PRIMARY e^\pm}{SECONDARY e^\pm} + 1$$

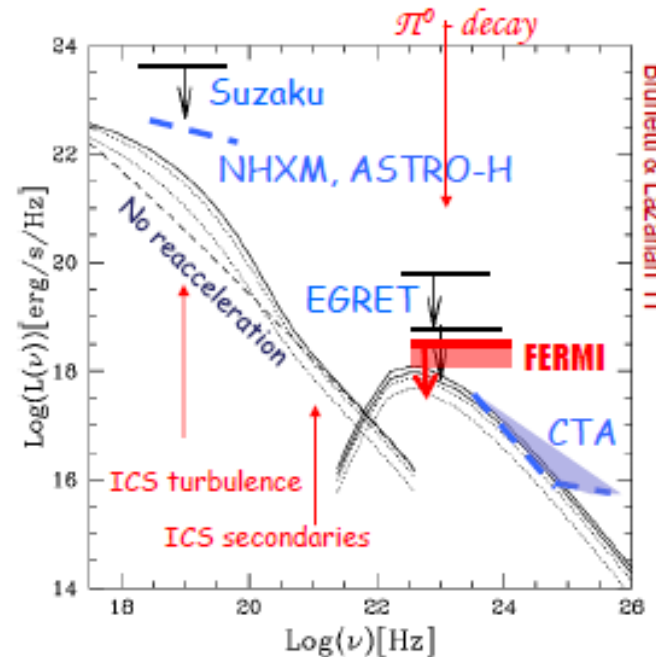
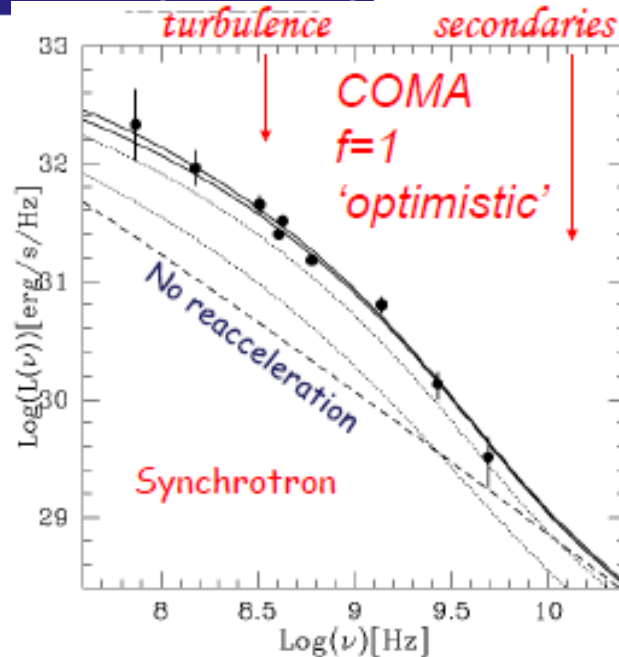


Bonafede et al 10

if the compressive turbulence is much smaller

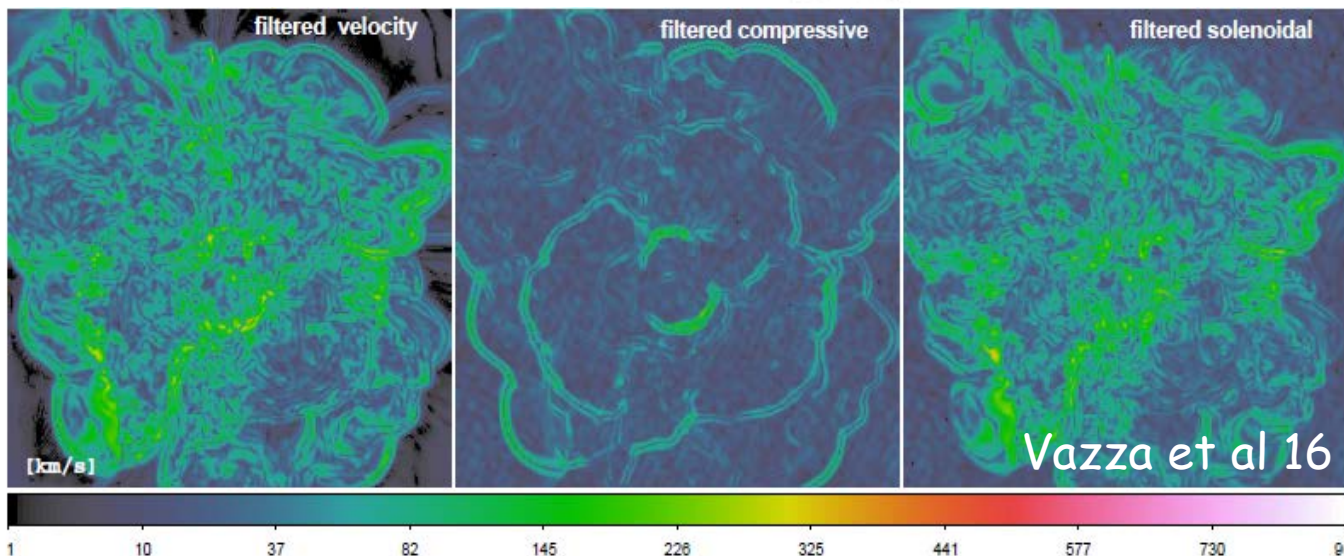
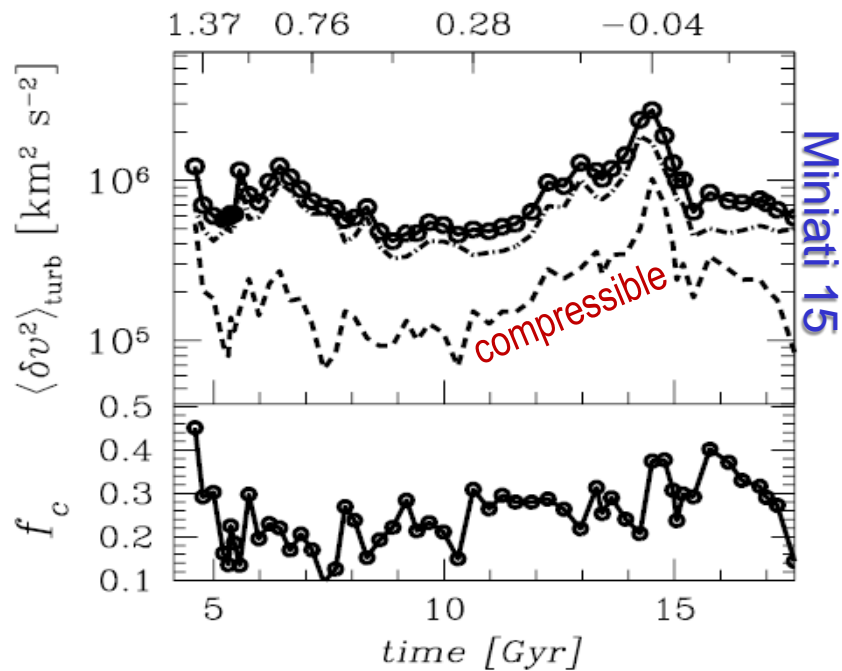
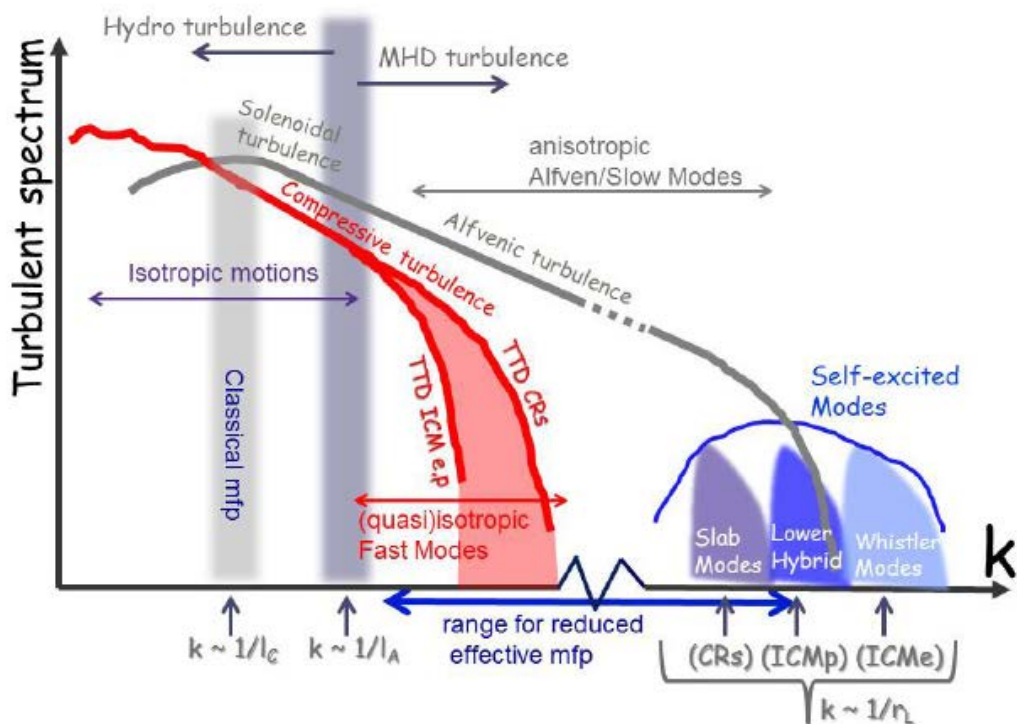


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Brunetti & Lazarian 11

Turbulence acceleration: can we use solenoidal ?

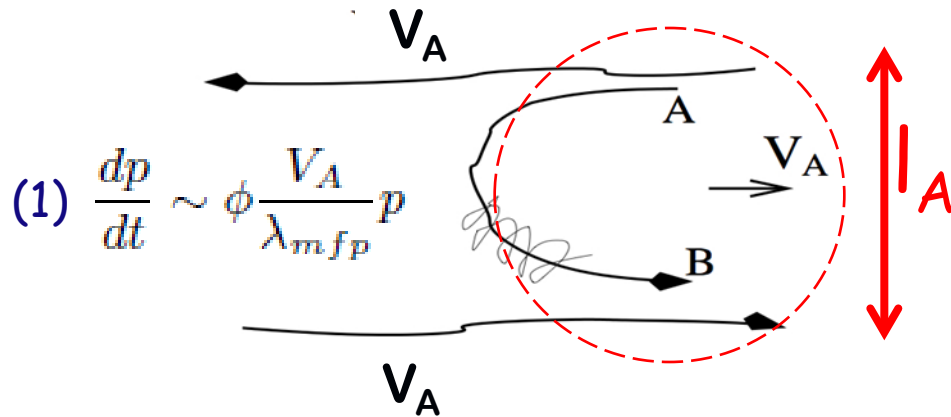


Simulations suggest that most of the large scale turbulence in the ICM is solenoidal

Vazza et al 16

Reacceleration mediated by turbulent reconnection in super-Alfvenic ICM

[Brunetti & Lazarian 2016, MNRAS 458, 2584]



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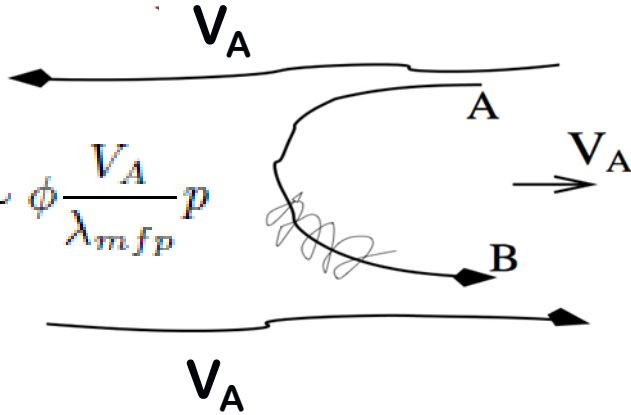
$$\Delta p = p \phi \frac{V_A}{\lambda_{mfp}} \times \left. \frac{l_A^2}{D} \right\} \text{per cycle}$$

Starting point: turbulent reconnection and acceleration (Lazarian+Vishniac 99, deGouveia dal Pino+ Lazarian 05,...). Acceleration works even without compression as motions of scattering centers is provided by Richardson-like diffusion of field lines :

$$\Delta_B \sim \left(\frac{\delta V^3}{L_0} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \tau^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

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CRe diffuse in reconnecting ('collapsing') and dynamo ('stretching') regions

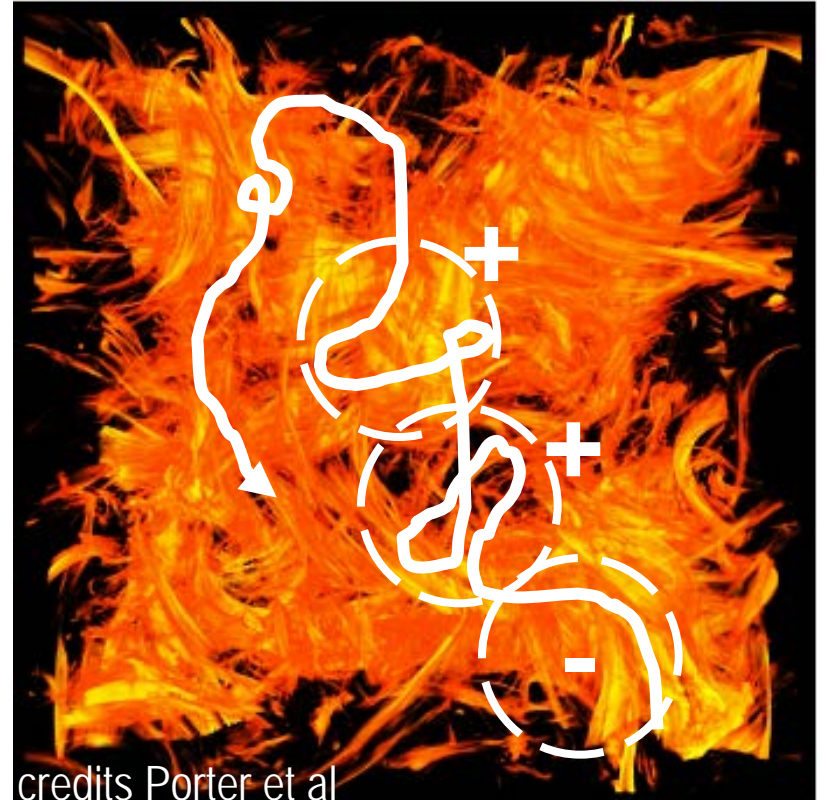


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credits Porter et al

Several +/- cycles result is a random walk in space and momentum : Fermi II

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[Brunetti & Lazarian 2016]

$$D_{pp} \equiv \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2t} \langle \Delta p(t) \Delta p^*(t + \tau) \rangle = \Re \int_0^\infty d\tau \langle \dot{p}(t) \dot{p}^*(t + \tau) \rangle = \left\langle \frac{\Delta p \Delta p}{2\Delta t} \right\rangle \sim 3 \sqrt{\frac{5}{6}} \frac{c_s^2}{c} \frac{\sqrt{\beta_{pl}}}{L_o} M_t^3 \psi^{-3} p^2$$

where $\lambda_{mfpl} = \psi l_A$

acceleration time

$$\tau_{acc} = \frac{p^2}{4D_{pp}} \simeq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{12} \frac{c}{c_s^2} \frac{L_o}{\sqrt{\beta_{pl}}} M_t^{-3} \psi^3$$

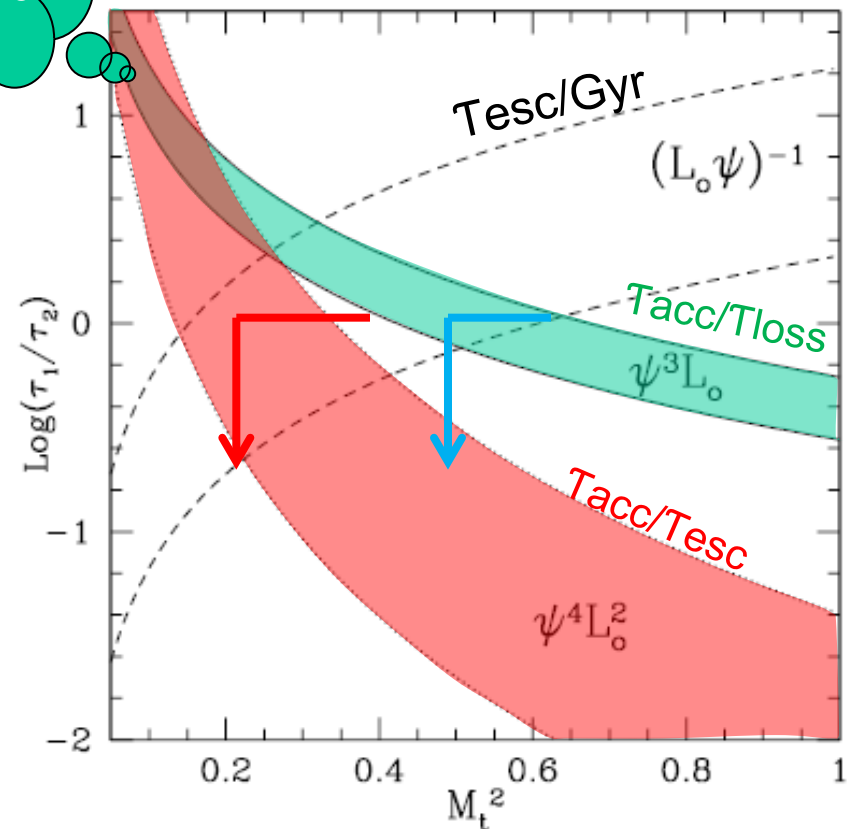
Lo=300 kpc
β=60-120
Ψ=0.5

Losses of CRe in the ICM

$$\tau_{loss}(Gyr s) = 4 \left\{ \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{\gamma}{300} \right) \left[\left(\frac{B_{\mu G}}{3.2} \right)^2 + (1+z)^4 \right] + \left(\frac{n_{th}}{10^{-3}} \right) \left(\frac{\gamma}{300} \right)^{-1} \left[1.2 + \frac{1}{75} \ln \left(\frac{\gamma/300}{n_{th}/10^{-3}} \right) \right] \right\}^{-1}$$

escape

$$\tau_{esc} \sim \frac{L_{RH}^2}{4D} \sim \frac{3}{8\sqrt{2}c} \left(\sqrt{\beta_{pl}} M_t \right)^3 \frac{L_{RH}^2}{L_o} \psi^{-1}$$



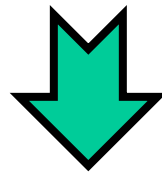
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$$\tau_{acc} = \frac{p^2}{4D_{pp}} \simeq \frac{\sqrt{2} c}{12 c_s^2} \frac{L_o}{\sqrt{\beta_{pl}}} M_t^{-3} \psi^3$$

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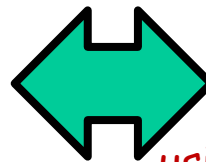
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"magic" formula :

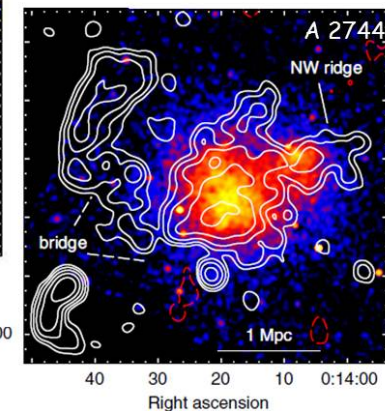
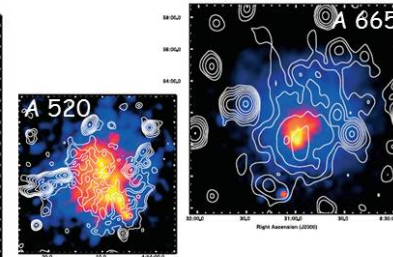
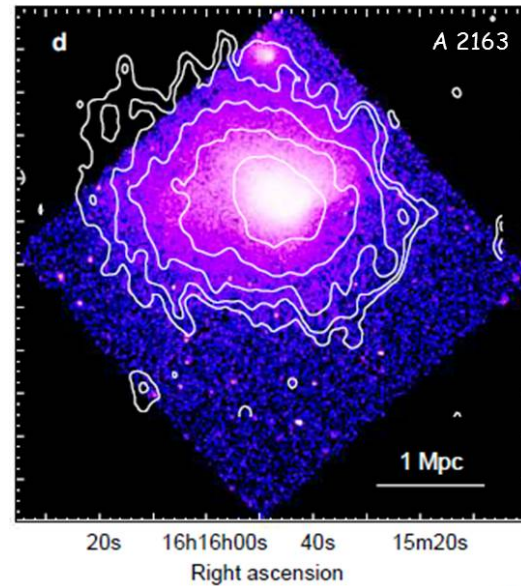
Syn observed frequency

$$M_t \simeq 0.8 \frac{10^3 \text{ km s}^{-1}}{c_s} \left(\frac{\nu_o(\text{GHz})}{35} \frac{7}{\xi} \right)^{1/6} \times \left(\frac{L_o}{10^2 \text{ kpc}} \right)^{1/3} \frac{(1+z)^{11/6} \frac{\psi}{0.5}}{\left(\frac{n_{ICM}}{10^{-3}} \right)^{1/6}}$$



request : $\delta V_o \sim 100+$ km/s

using the min value of Ψ that is allowed in test-particle calculations (Brunetti+Lazarian 16)



Take home messages

- (1) The ICM is an unique environment for plasma astrophysics : stirred , unstable and very small $R_c = \nu_C / \omega_p$
Most of the microphysics is likely driven by plasma effects....
- (2) Nonthermal phenomena in GC (radio to gamma) probe the interplay between ICM microphysics and particle acceleration physics.
Hard to explain Radio Halos without considering plasma effects that reduce viscosity in the ICM
- (3) Favoured scenario for Radio Halos is acceleration by LS turbulence driven by cluster mergers :
 - ❑ Compressive case : successful but several unknowns: damping, spectrum, collisionality and mfp
 - ❑ Incompressive case : possible if turbulent reconnection is considered.
The big unknown here is the role of kinetic effects