# News from the Galactic Magnetic Field (...and the Origin of the Amaterasu Particle)

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NGC628 M. Krause 2019; T. Stanev ApJ97; JF12 Farrar&Sandstrom

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#### Galactic Magnetism



NGC891, M. Krause MPIfR

#### $\mathcal{O}(\mu \mathbf{G})$ large-scale coherent fields! $u_B \approx u_{\text{turb}} \approx u_{\text{CR}}$

# **Proto-Galactic?**

#### shearing by differential rotation





FIG. 1b

#### but:

- winding problem ( $P_{\rm rot} \approx 0.2$  Gyr at  $r_{\odot}$ )
- decay of field in turbulent diffusion  $\mathcal{O}(10^8 \text{yr})$















 $\Omega$  effect: toroidal field from poloidal seed field



Love, J. J., 1999. Astronomy & Geophysics, 40, 6.14-6.19.

 $\alpha$  effect: poloidal field from turbulence and convection

# **Dynamo Action?**

Galaxy simulations:



Auriga, Pakmor+MNRAS17

IllustrisTNG, Marinacci+MNRAS17

# Effect Galactic Magnetic Field on Charged Particles (Cosmic Rays)

(anisotropic) diffusion of low energy cosmic rays

deflection of ultrahigh-energy cosmic rays

 $\rho = 10 \text{TV}$ -15 y [kpc] 5 -<sup>5</sup> പ 15 15 -15 x [kpc] log(n) [a.u.] Merten+JCAP17



#### Observational Tracers of the Astrophysical Magnetic Fields



# Modeling the Coherent Galactic Magnetic Field (GMF)

Aim: Describe large-scale structure of GMF with simple parametric forms

**Observables:** 



adapted from Hasegawa+13 and Pelgrims+18

#### **Popular GMF Models:**

	S97	Jaffe10*	PT11	JF12	Planck16	TF17**
parameter fit	×	1	1	1	×	1
extragalactic RMs	×	1	1	<ul> <li>Image: A second s</li></ul>	×	1
polarized synchrotron	×	1	×	1	1	X
polarized dust	×	×	×	X	1	X
$\nabla \mathbf{B} = 0$	X	X	X	1	X	1

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# Extragalactic Rotation Measures (PT11, JF12)

 $\theta = \theta_0 + \mathrm{RM}\,\lambda^2$ 



Polarized

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agnetic field

Plasma

#### **Extragalactic Rotation Measures 2023**

 $\theta = \theta_0 + \mathrm{RM}\,\lambda^2$ 



Polarized

light

Magnetic field

Plasma









- antenna temperature:  $T_{syn} \propto \nu^{-(p+3)/2} \equiv \nu^{\beta_S}$
- electron spectral index p: ~ 2 at source, ~ 3 after cooling
- $\beta_S \sim -3 \rightarrow T_{\rm syn}(20 \ {\rm Hz})/T_{\rm syn}(30 \ {\rm Hz}) \approx 3.4$



calibration uncertainty? cosmic-ray spectral index?





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#### **Thermal Electron Models**







Puter phase (periods)

112 pulsar DMs

189 pulsar DMs

Cordes&Lazio arXiv:0207156 Yao, Manchester & Wang, ApJ 2017 14/42



DRAGON calculation constrained by local lepton flux and  $D_0/H$  from B/C http://github.com/cosmicrays/DRAGON

# **Cosmic-Ray Electron Model**

- $D_0/H = \text{const from B/C}$
- halo half-height H currently not well constrained Weinrich+20, Evoli+20, Maurin+22

#### $\rightarrow$ large uncertainty in vertical $n_{\rm cre}$ profile!





homogenous and isotropic diffusion  $D_0 \propto R^{\delta}$  (rigidity R)

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# New Disk Field Model



- divergence-free Fourier-expansion of  $B_{\phi}(r)$  at reference radius
- avoids radial discontinuities
- free pitch angle and "magnetic arms" (number of Fourier modes)

# Halo X-Field

JF12 Ferriere&Terral14 UF23 z/kpc z/kpc z/kpc  $3_{r_2}/\mu G$ - 4  $r/\mathrm{kpc}$ r/kpc  $r/\mathrm{kpc}$ 

• fix JF12 discontinuities at z = 0 and transition to  $\theta_X = 49^{\circ}$ 

# RM and Q&U of "base model"



# Data and Model



- 6520 data points
- 15-20 parameters
- typical reduced  $\chi^2/n_{\rm df}$  = 1.2...1.3, depending on model variation

### Data and Model

 $\chi^2/{\rm ndf} = 7923/6500 = 1.22$ 



#### **Model Variations**

8 variations (subset giving the greatest diversity of CR deflection predictions):

name	variation	$\chi^2/\mathrm{ndf}$
base	fiducial model	1.22
xr	radial dependence of X-field	1.30
spur	replace grand spiral by local spur (Orion arm)	1.23
ne	change thermal electron model (NE2001 instead of YMW16)	1.19
twist	unified halo model via twisted X-field	1.26
nbcorr	$n_e$ -B correlation	1.22
cre	cosmic-ray electron vertical scale height	1.22
syn	use COSMOGLOBE synchrotron maps	1.50







- 1 kpc - 2 kpc - 4 kpc - 6 kpc - 8 kpc - 10 kpc

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# Magnetic Pitch Angle

- fitted magnetic pitch angle in disk  $(11 \pm 1)^{\circ}$  (error dominated by  $n_e$ )
- pitch angle of local arm  $(11.4 \pm 1.9)^{\circ}$  (fit of HMSFR with parallaxes)



#### Local Spur or Global Spiral?

"base"





 $\rightarrow$  both models describe data equally well!

#### Results – Striation or Correlation? Longstanding problem: *B*(syn) < *B*(RM)

anisotropic/orderd/striated b?

anti-correlation b- $n_e$  (pressure equ.)?





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# **Unified Halo Model**

- evolve X-field via ideal induction equation  $\partial_t \mathbf{B} = \nabla \times (\mathbf{v}_{rot} \times \mathbf{B})$
- radial and vertical shear of Galactic rotation generates toroidal field



- no separate X- and torodial halo needed!
- "twisting time":  $t = 54.7 \pm 1.1$  Myr  $\rightarrow$  effective time (steady state when including dissipation?)

# **Cosmic-Ray Deflections**





- D. Harari
- Larmor radius of charged particle in B-field

$$r = 1.1 \,\mathrm{kpc} \, \frac{R/10^{18} \,\mathrm{V}}{B/\mu\mathrm{G}}$$

- rigidity  $R = \frac{cp}{eZ} \stackrel{\text{\tiny e=C=1}}{=} \frac{E}{Z}$
- typical GMF deflections (JF12)

$$\theta_{\rm coh} \sim 3^\circ \left(\frac{R}{10^{20}~{\rm V}}\right)^{-1}$$

#### Deflections at 20 EV (base model) (backtracking)

60 degree 50 40 angle 30 deflection 20 10 Ω

# Deflections at 20 EV (model ensemble and JF12) (backtracking)

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#### Deflections at 20 EV (backtracking)





# Summary

#### New Model(s) of the Coherent GMF

- full-sky RM data
- latest synchrotron sky maps
- improved auxillary models ( $n_e$  and  $n_{cre}$ )
- smooth disk-field model
- unified halo model

#### Main Results:

- JF12 dipolar X-field robust <u>dynamo</u>?
- magnetic pitch  $\sim$  spiral pitch  $\frac{1}{2}$  coherent?
- local spur (Orion) or Grand Spiral?
- $n_e B$  anti-corr. is alternative to striation  $\rightarrow$  larger *B* estimates
- GMF model ensemble → uncertainties for deflection, diffusion, axion conversion,...

#### **Outlook:**

- turbulent field using I<sub>syn</sub> + variances
- pulsar RMs, low-frequency QU, dust pol., ...
- foreground modeling local bubble, loops,. 32/42

#### \_ The Guardian

'What the heck is going on?' Extremely high-energy particle detected falling to Earth

**SPIEGEL** Wissenschaft

Ultrahochenergetisches kosmisches Teilchen traf die Erde

#### OMG! Schon wieder!

#### nature

The most powerful cosmic ray since the Oh-My-God particle puzzles scientists

#### = CIEB

#### A Ray From Space Hit Earth with Such Incredible Power That Scientists Named It After a God

The source of the Amaterasu particle, named after the Japanese sun goddess, is a "big mystery."

#### Science

RESEARCH ARTICLE ASTROPARTICLE PHYSICS

#### An extremely energetic cosmic ray observed by a surface detector array

(B) Date: 27 May 2021 Time: 10:35:56 474337 UTC

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SD0628 8.2 MIP at 2.6 km

TELESCOPE ARRAY COLLABORATION\*+, R. U. ABBASI, M. G. ALLEN, R. ARIMURA, J. W. BELZ, D. R. BERGMAN, S. A. BLAKE, B. K. SHIN, I. J. BUCKLAND, I...I. AND Z. ZUNDEL

(A) Surface detector array of TA



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• E = \left(2.44 \pm 0.29 \,(\text{stat.}) \,{}^{+0.51}_{-0.76} \,(\text{syst.})\right) \times 10^{20} \,\text{eV}
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• if Fe: 
$$E_{\text{nom}} = (2.12 \pm 0.25) \times 10^{20} \text{ eV}$$

• Fe at 
$$-1\sigma_{\text{syst.}}$$
:  $E_{\text{low}} = (1.64 \pm 0.19) \times 10^{20} \text{ eV}$ 



# $\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{Simplest Assumption: Fe Nucleus from Standard Accelerator} \\ (\mathcal{R}_{max} \sim 10^{18.6-18.7} \mbox{ V}) & \mbox{Peters Cycle:} \end{array}$



TA 14-year SD spectrum, Kim et al, EPJ Conf 283 (tm2023) 02005



Pierre Auger Coll. 2023

#### Photodisintegration in source:



MU, Farrar, Anchordoqui PRD15 35/42

#### M Propagation of Fe in Extragalactic Photon Fields horizon between 8 and 50 Mpc • factor 240 uncertainty source volume! $E_{low} \pm \sigma_{stat}$ $E_{nom} \pm \sigma_{stat}$ 1.6 10<sup>2</sup> 1.4 1.2 $f_{att} = n(D)/n(0)$ 0.8 10 0.6 DITEO 0.4 0.2 1.5 2.5 1 2 3 $E_{Earth} / 10^{20} \text{ eV}$

propagation distance D / Mpc

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# **Arrival Direction**



#### localization uncertainty: 6.6% of $4\pi$ or 2726 deg<sup>2</sup>

uncertainty of coherent deflection, random field, Galactic variance, TA energy scale, statistical uncertainty of E

#### Distribution of galaxies up to D=150 Mpc



 $E_{\text{low}} - 2\sigma$ , D<sub>0.1</sub>=72 Mpc



#### $E_{\text{low}} - 1 \sigma$ , D<sub>0.1</sub>=42 Mpc



#### $E_{\text{low}}$ , D<sub>0.1</sub>=25 Mpc



# $E_{nom}$ , D<sub>0.1</sub>=10 Mpc



# Amaterasu Particle

- simplest assumption: Fe nucleus
- localization uncertainty (using UF23 ensemble):  $\rightarrow$  direction within 2726 deg<sup>2</sup> (6.6% of 4 $\pi$ )
- horizon between 8 and 50 Mpc
- accurate energy essential! (both, stat. and syst.!)
- none of the "usual suspects" within localization uncertainty
- starburst galaxy NGC 6946? (flux proxy is 10% of NGC4945 and M82)
- Andromeda (M31)?
- transient event in an otherwise undistinguished galaxy?