# Cosmic magnetic fields and the propagation of UHECR





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# Scientific case:

Can we "see" the Cosmic Web using its magnetic properties?

• The magnetic field is a fundamental unknown for many effects:

- synchrotron emission from relativistic electrons of the WHIM  $P = v_{XP,\epsilon} B^2$ 

- Faraday Rotation measure RM  $v_{\gamma\alpha\sigma}$  B(k)/k<sup>1/2</sup> dk

 $B(k)/k^{1/2} dk$ 

- Deflection of UHECR





 $RM \equiv \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial \lambda^2} \propto \int_0^a n_e H \cos \vartheta \, dl$ 

- Our density model is a factor 2below the latest Xray measurements

- The magnetic field in the relic region should be  $2 \Gamma$ 



How can we explain  $2 \Gamma$  in a filament? Is this a positive bias of observations?



Ryu et al.2008 - Estimate of B-field from turbulent dynamo in LSS

Some recent large cosmological simulations (unigrid)

2048^3 ENZO + Cosmic Rays (no MHD)

FV, Gheller, Brüggen 2014 MNRAS

1.8 Million cpuh

Prace Project:

CURIE @ GENCI Daint @ CSCS



300 Mpc



Synchrotron emission from the cosmic web (secondary + primary electrons)

~45°@z=0.1



300 Mpc

# 150 Mpc

#### LOFAR-LBA





20 Mpc

Can we (already) observe filaments in radio (FV,Ferrari,Brüggen,Bonafede...)

- If B>0.3  $\Gamma$  we should have already detected filaments with LOFAR
- SKA-LOW LOFAR-LBA can be near to detect the largest filaments if B is no far from equipartition (  $0.1 \ \Gamma$ )and the electrons are accelerated as in SNR



primary electrons primary elec

Radio emission



How efficient is the turbulent dyanmo amplification in filaments?

→ Not a trivial numerical problem: resolution is the issue.

- Some Adaptive Mesh refinement runs with:
- -nested grid
  -MHD, Dedner cleaning
  -4 levels of refinement
  max res=20kpc

seed field 10^-10 G at z=30





The maximum B within the filament is B 0.005–0.01 Γ, ιε. <5% odB from equip. Have we numerically converged?

How far are we from convergence?



Have we numerically converged? How far are we from convergence?

->alternative approaches (beside brute-force)

# Power spectra of B for different models





Does the "small scale" B-field topology/strenght matter for the deflection of UHECR?

...some very preliminary test

- 3D distribution of B from MHD cosmological run
- Small scale modes added with a divB=o approach, input scales and spectra
- Ballistic propagation of E=10<sup>20</sup> eV particles, following the simple Lorentz force with a KDK integrator
- No cosmological effects, energy losses, particle creations etc...

### **B-vectors**

### **Result from MHD run**

## Modes added



## Trajectories for 10^20 eV particles (only 20 samples)

#### Pure MHD





In this case we have 512^3 cells for 35 Mpc,  $\Delta x = 60$ kpc

Deflection angles within 30 Mpc (2000 particles)

#### Absolute deflection

#### Deflection relative to MHD



### OPEN QUESTIONS & PROJECTS

Can we bracket the magnetic field in filaments by combining radio data (detection/non-detection) and UHCR science?



<u>Idea:</u>

- Simulated volumes with simulated+analytic configurations of B

-test radio emission, Faraday Rotation and UHECR spectra <u>together</u>

<u>Problems to solve:</u> -volume? Scales? seeding ? resolution? -how much are other physical effects affecting this?

→ In the very next future (<6 months) we will have the largest unigrid and AMR MHD runs ever produced (4800^3,  $1024^3+7$ lev)

→ Can we think to a joint effort towards this direction? Which constraints are there? Data format? Volume of data? Physics?

Investigating the origin of cosmic magnetism in large-scale structures: Cosmological simulations with ENZO on the GPU (FV, Brüggen,Gheller,Wang,Ferrari,Bonafede..)

ENZO 2.3, porting on the GPU (Wang&Abel 2010) Allotted 32 million CPU hours

2400^3

What is the distribution of B in large-scale structure?

Which is the seeding mechanism?

Can we fix it observationally?

1200^3



4800^3