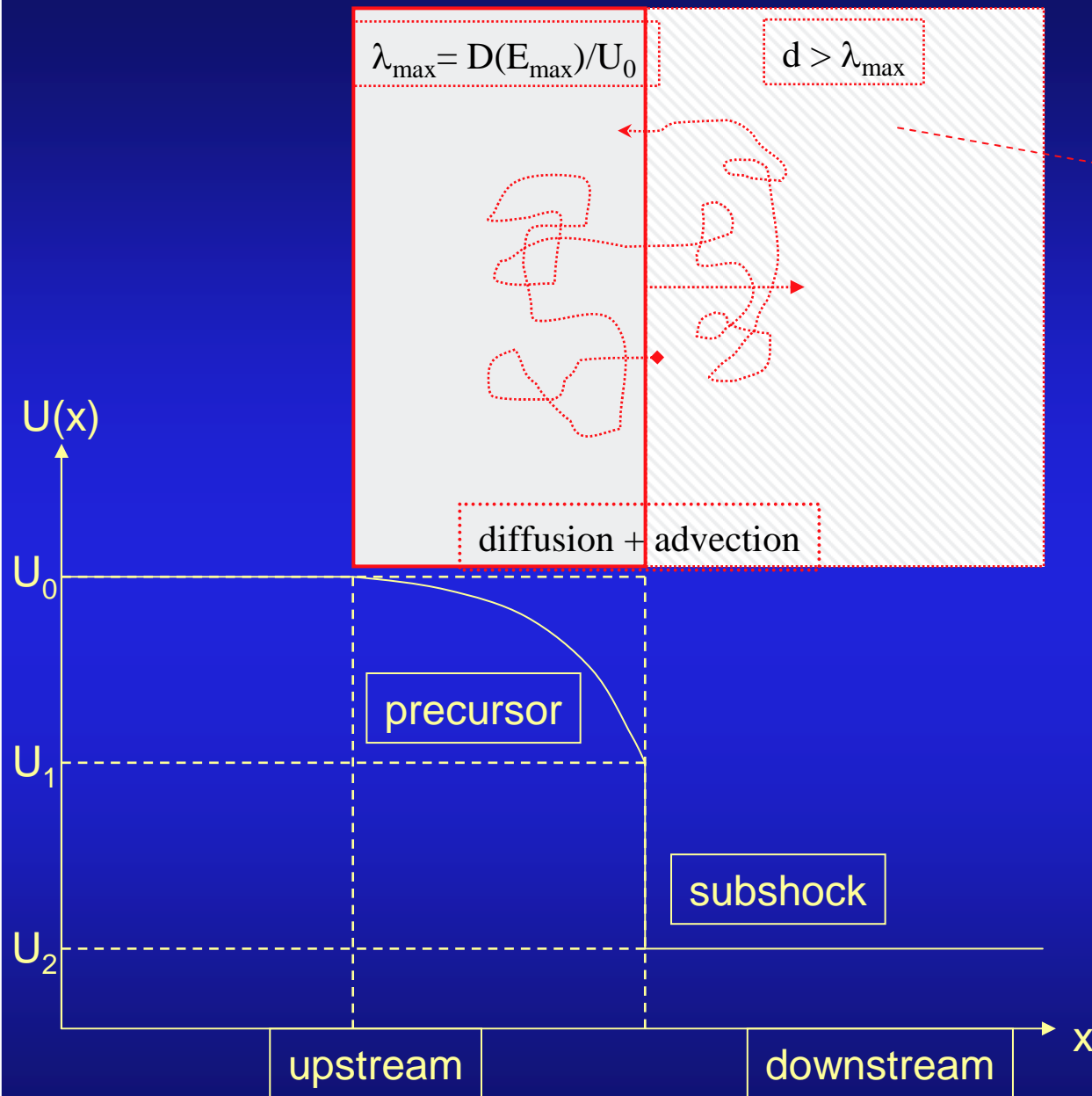


On the Fermi acceleration process in collisionless shocks

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(Super-Alfvénic shocks)
(In the shock rest-frame)

$$\Delta E/E = \text{cst}$$

$$= 4/3 V_{\text{sh}}/c$$

- NR shocks: $D(E) \propto E^{2-\beta}$
(! Quasi-linear solutions)
Test particle results
 $s(r) = 3r/(r-1)$ **Drury'83**

- UR shocks:
 - regular deflection in large scale turbulence.
 - diffusive regime in small scale turbulence; $D(E) \propto E^2$
Test particle results $s=2.2$
Achterberg et al'01

The two regimes of CR streaming instability upstream

⇔ CR self-generated waves

- Resonant (r) regime: [Skilling '75]

⇒ wave-particle Landau-synchrotron resonance:

$$k_{\parallel} r_g \cos(\alpha) \approx 1 \quad \Rightarrow r_g > \lambda_{\text{res}}$$

Particle gyro-radius $r_g = E/(e B_{\text{tot}})$; $B_{\text{tot}} = (B_{\infty}^2 + \delta B^2)^{1/2}$

[Bell & Lucek '01, Ptuskin & Zirakashvili '03]

Fast shock regime: $(\delta B/B_{\infty})^2 = M_{\text{a}\infty}^2 (P_{\text{CR}}/\rho u^2)^2 > 1$

→ $B \sim \text{mG}$ ↔ numerical simulations [Lucek & Bell '00]

- Non-resonant (nr) regime: [Bell'04]

➤ Driving force: $J_{\text{ret}} \times B/c$

Saturation: MF tension $B^2/4\pi l_0$

$$\Rightarrow (\delta B/B_\infty)^2 = M_{\text{a}\infty}^2 u_{\text{sh}}/c (P_{\text{CR}}/\rho u_{\text{sh}}^2) > 1$$

- nr modes:

$$\Rightarrow \xi M_{\text{a}\infty}^2 > kr_g > 1; \xi = u_{\text{sh}} \zeta_{\text{CR}}/c$$

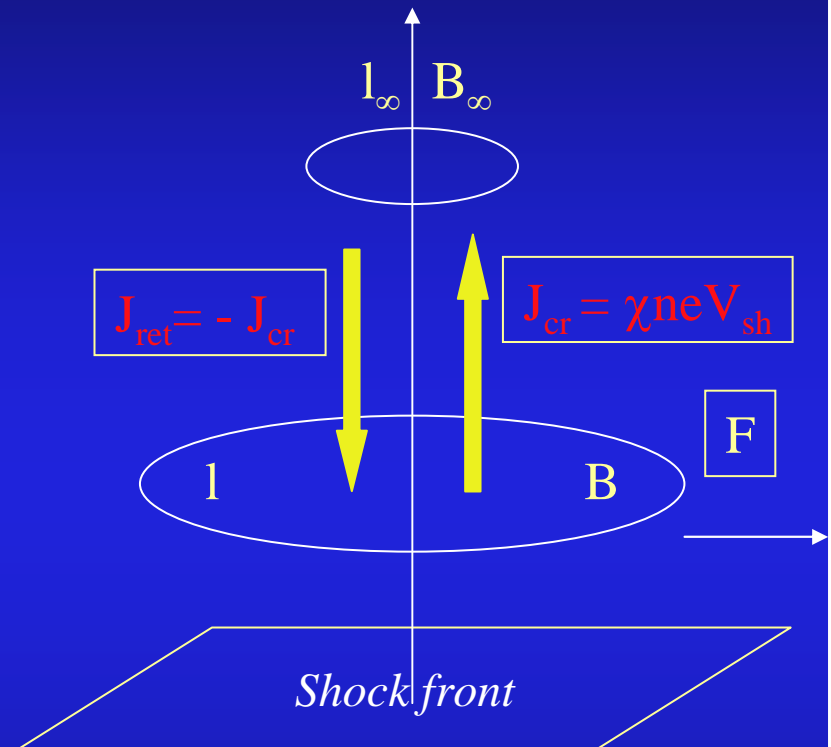
⇒ Grow faster than the r modes

⇒ circular polarisation → helicity # 0

⇒ ion-neutral damping [Reville et al '07]

⇒ thermal effects [Reville et al '06]

✓ δB_{sat} is debated and requires further simulations.



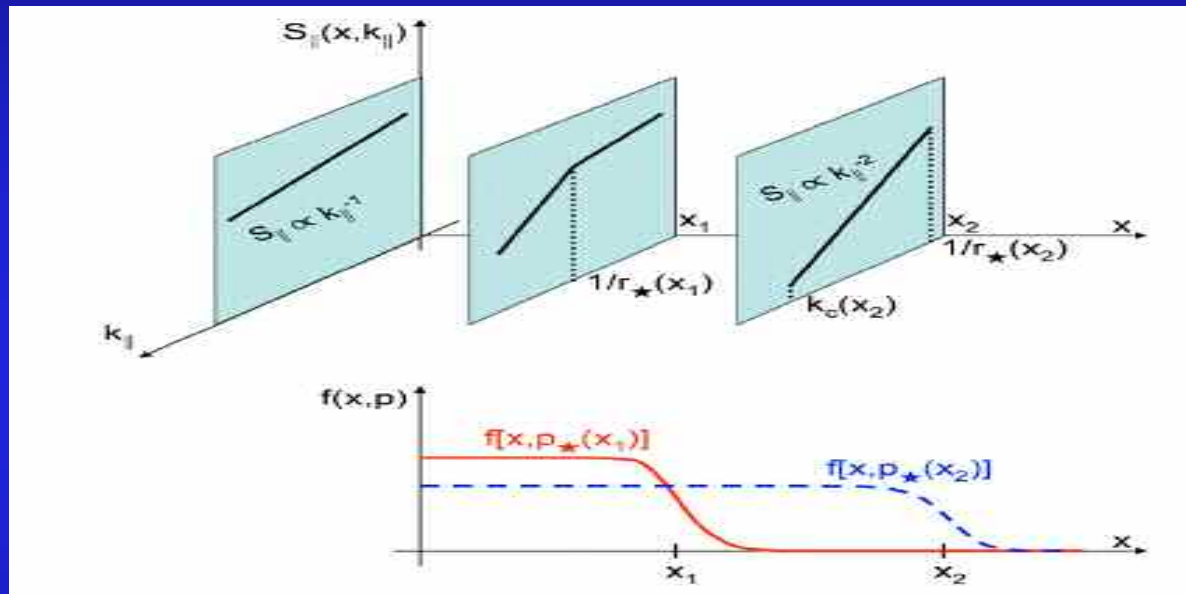
Bell'04

Milosavljevic & Nakar '06

(thermal & magnetic pressures
are neglected)

Non relativistic (SNR) shocks

- Both regimes should operate *jointly* [Pelletier et al '06]



(parallel shock)

Saturation criterium:

$$\Gamma_{nr}(k) = [kV_a(k)]^{-1}$$

If $V_{sh} \geq \zeta_{CR} c$

- The level of turbulence is fixed by the nr instability: $B = B(\text{Bell}'04)$
- The spectrum is fixed by the r instability: $S_{1D} \propto k_{//}^{-1}$
- Once $S(k_{//}, k_{\perp})$ is fixed $\Rightarrow D(E, x)$ [Marcowith et al'06]

Ultra relativistic (GRBs) shocks

= shocks with Lorentz factors > 100 Pelletier et al in prep.

- The resonant regime alone *does not* work:

$X(r_g)$ distance travelled by CRs at $r_g (= k_{\text{res}}^{-1}) \ll k_{\text{res}}^{-1}$

- The non-resonant regime:

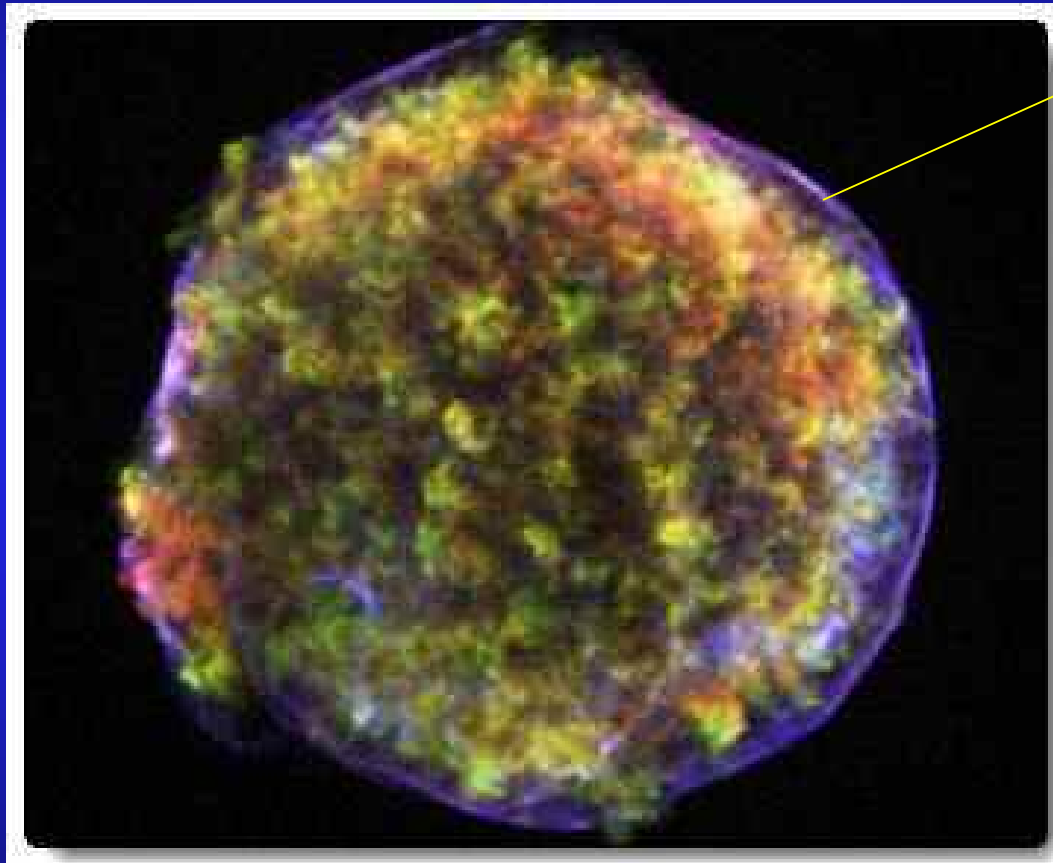
\Rightarrow Coherence scale $\lambda_{\text{coh}} \ll r_g \Rightarrow$ upstream transport in the diffusive regime; $D \propto r_g^2$ [Milosavljevic & Nakar'06]

\Rightarrow The only way the Fermi process can work in UR shocks (regular deflection produces at best 1-1/2 cycle) [Lemoine et al '06]

\Rightarrow *Not expected* to produce UHE CRs.

Observational constraints

Tycho SNR as observed by Chandra: blue = [4-6] keV images



Thin X-ray filaments tracing the forward shock:

- size (de-projected) \sim % shock radius = 0.01 pc.

- observed in several SNRs (CasA, Képler, SN1006, G347.5, RCW86, RXJ1713).

- synchrotron radiation of 10-100 TeV electrons.

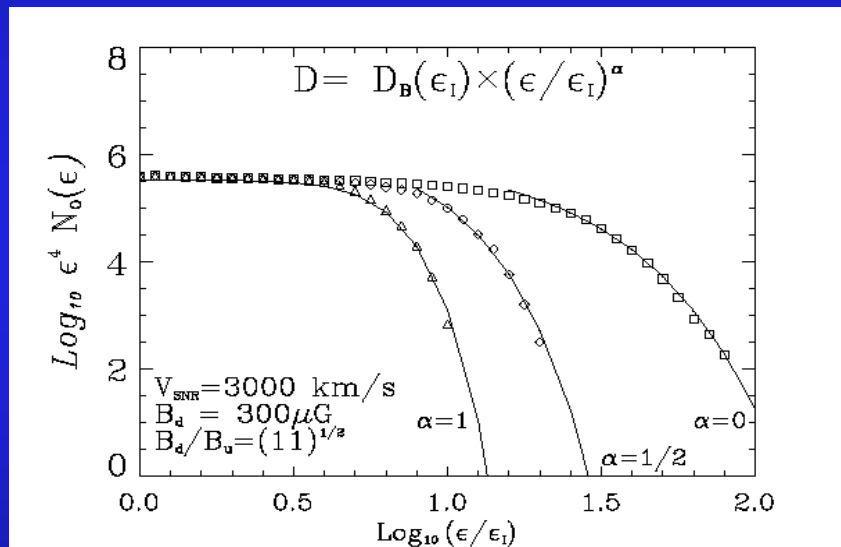
! Other constraints: Gamma-ray vs X & radio radiation [[Aharonian et al'07](#), [Katz this conference](#)]

X-ray filaments in SNR shocks

- Thinness $\Rightarrow B_{\text{up}}$ amplified & B_{d} compressed by $(1/3 + 2/3 r^2)^{1/2}$ [Berezhko & Völk '03, Vink'04, Völk et al.'05, Parizot et al.'06]
- Support the theoretical investigations.
 - \Rightarrow Downstream medium contributes the most to the synchrotron radiation
 - \Rightarrow lower limits on $B_{\text{d}} \rightarrow 500 \mu\text{Gauss}$; 2 orders of magnitude above B_{∞}
 - \Rightarrow Constraints on $D(E)$ only @ $E_{\text{obs}} \sim 10\text{-}100 \text{ TeV}$
 $D(E_{\text{obs}}) \sim k D_{\text{Bohm}}, k > 1$
 - \Rightarrow Maximum CR energies $\sim \text{PeV}$ (CR knee **yes** but CR ankle **no** !)

The downstream medium

- Synchrotron cut-off \leftrightarrow transport law [Zirakashvili & Aharonian '07] (test-particle solutions) \Rightarrow important for the particle acceleration/loss diagnostics



Square: D cst
Circle: Kraichnan
Triangle: Bohm

Solid: SDE-hydro simulations
Marcowith & Casse in prep.

\Rightarrow SimbolX

- Turbulence relaxation over a length scale $= \Delta R_X$ [Pohl et al'05]
 \Rightarrow produce lower B_d (lower limits) : $t_{\text{sync}} \propto B^{-2}$, $t_{\text{diff}} \propto B^{\beta-2}$
Marcowith & Casse in prep.

Ultra relativistic (GRBs) shocks

- Hints for MF amplification:
 - Afterglow synchrotron radiation: $B_d \sim 7$ orders of magnitude above B_∞ [Waxman'06]
 - Inverse Compton losses & synchrotron cut-off:
 B_u amplified by ~ 2 orders of magnitude [Li & Waxman'06]
 \Rightarrow CRs ahead the UR shock
- Downstream: Compression vs Relaxation [Lemoine & Revenu'06]
 - Numerical investigation in a prescribed turbulence (Kolmogorov compressed turbulence)
 \Rightarrow Unless $v_a > \sim 0.1 c \rightarrow t_{\text{ret}} < t_{\text{relax}}$
 - Return probability \searrow

Conclusions

1. Upstream: *in the streaming instability framework*:

- Continuous (?) sequence

- NR shocks *non-resonant dominated* (early stages) → *resonant dominated* (late stages).

- *resonant dominated* (NR shocks) → *non-resonant dominated* (UR shocks).

! Numerical simulations have to confirm $\delta B > B_\infty$ in r & nr regime (see the result of Niemiec & Pohl '07 and discussions in Reville et al'07, '06, Bykov & Toptyghin'05)

2. Downstream:

- Compression (introduces anisotropy), relaxation or growth → $D(x)$

✓ *Numerical & analytical calculation for both UR & NR shocks*

UR shocks: tests of Fermi acceleration in a different turbulence configuration
[Lemoine & Revenu'06, Niemiec et al'06, Keshet & Waxman'05, Blasi & Vietri'05]

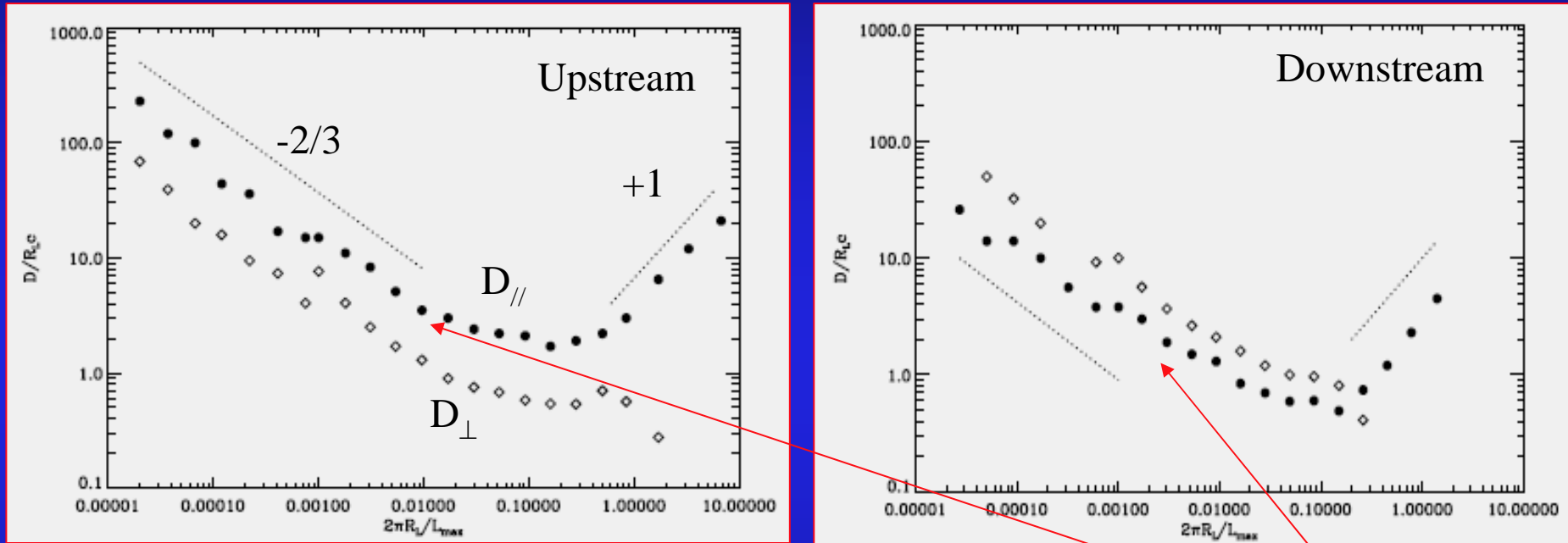
NR shocks: Non-linear effects

- “Self-consistent” calculation of D from $f(x,p)$ [Vladimirov et al'06, Amato & Blasi'06]

- MHD turbulence theory $\Rightarrow D$ in strong turbulence [Marcowith et al'06] ! No CR back- reaction

Transport & CR spectrum

Goldreich-Sridhar scaling



$$D/(r_L c) = D/(3 D_{\text{Bohm}})$$

Scale compression

Code developed by M.Lemoine (IAP): FFT of a given MF configuration + diffusion coefficients reconstructed from particle paths [see Casse et al'02]

Effects of turbulence on CRs

- Bohm diffusion if no correlation: $S_{//} \propto k_{//}^{-1} \Rightarrow D \propto r_L$
only // and \perp scales are independent
- Kolmogorov-like diffusion if Golreich-Shridar correlation applies: $\Rightarrow D \propto r_L^{1/3}$ (interaction at $k_{\perp} r_L \sim 1$)
- Turbulence production within the Fermi cycle produces softer CR spectra.
 $\Rightarrow s \sim 4 (1 + 2/3 M_a^{-1}) + o(M_a^{-2})$; M_a renormalised Alfvén Mach number.
- Maximum CR energies including the MF compression.
 $\Rightarrow E_{\text{CR-max}} \leq \text{CR knee.}$