

Acceleration of cosmic ray secondaries inside old supernova remnants

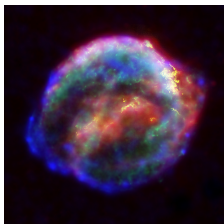
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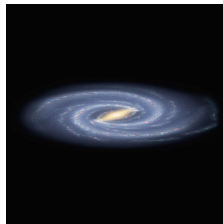
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Secondaries from the source?

Common belief: secondaries from propagation dominate since the grammage in the ISM is larger than in the source



$$\begin{aligned}\langle \tau_{\text{src}} \rangle &\lesssim \tau_{\text{SNR}} \approx 10^{4 \dots 5} \text{ yr} \\ n_{\text{src}} &\lesssim 10 \text{ cm}^{-3} \\ \Rightarrow X_{\text{src}} &\approx 0.2 \text{ g cm}^{-2}\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}\langle \tau_{\text{ISM}} \rangle &\sim \tau_{\text{esc}} \approx 10^7 \text{ yr} \\ n_{\text{ISM}} &\approx 0.1 \text{ cm}^{-3} \\ \Rightarrow X_{\text{ISM}} &\approx \text{few g cm}^{-2}\end{aligned}$$

However, secondaries from source can have a harder spectrum!

The transport equation

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \psi_j}{\partial t} = & \nabla \cdot (\kappa \cdot \nabla \psi_j - \mathbf{u} \psi_j) && \text{spatial diffusion and advection} \\ & + \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left(\rho^2 D_{\rho\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \frac{1}{\rho^2} \psi_j \right) && \text{momentum diffusion} \\ & + \frac{\partial}{\partial \rho} \left(-\frac{d\rho}{dt} \psi_j + \frac{\rho}{3} (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}) \psi_j \right) && \text{momentum change incl. adiabatic} \\ & - v n_{\text{gas}} \sigma_j \psi_j - \frac{\psi_j}{\tau_j} && \text{spallation and decay} \\ & + v n_{\text{gas}} \sum_{k>j} \sigma_{k \rightarrow j} \psi_k + \sum_{k>j} \frac{\psi_k}{\tau_{k \rightarrow j}} && \text{spallation and decay} \\ & + S_j && \text{primary sources} \end{aligned}$$

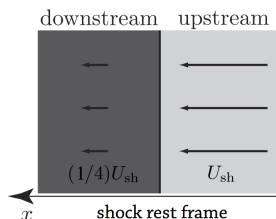
The transport equation

for shock acceleration

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Macroscopic approach

Seminal papers in 1977/78 by Krymsky; Axford, Leer, Skaldron; Blandford, Ostriker; also Bell



- Consider steady-state transport equation for phase-space density f_i :

$$u \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \kappa \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x} - \frac{p}{3} \frac{du}{dx} \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial p} = 0$$

- For $x \neq 0$,

$$f_i(x, p) = \begin{cases} g_i(p) \exp \left[\frac{x}{\kappa(p)/u} \right] + Y_i \delta(p - p_{inj}) & \text{for } x < 0 \\ f_{i,0}(p) & \text{for } x > 0 \end{cases}$$

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- Can derive matching conditions and find for the spectrum at shock,

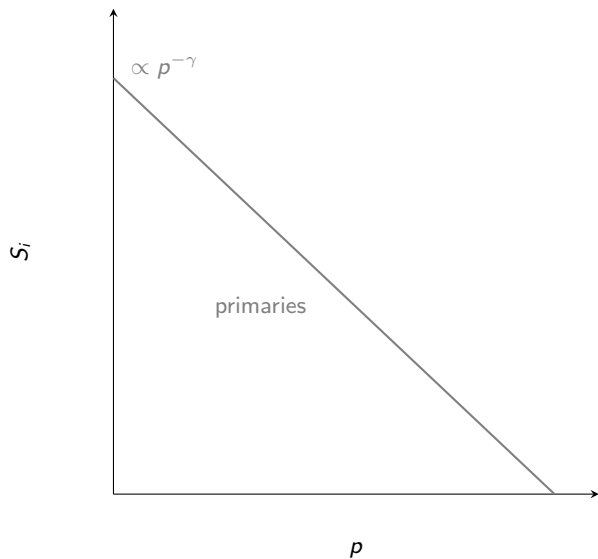
$$f_{i,0}(p) = \gamma p^{-\gamma} \int_0^p dp' p'^{\gamma-1} Y_i \delta(p' - p_{inj}) + \text{const.} \times p^{-\gamma}$$

with spectral index $\gamma \equiv \frac{3r}{r-1}$

- With $r \simeq 4$: $f_{i,0}(p) \propto p^{-4} \Rightarrow \psi_i(p) = 4\pi p^2 f_{i,0}(p) \propto p^{-2}$

Strong ($r = 4$) shock accelerates CRs to p^{-2} spectrum!

Primaries only



DSA with secondaries

Blasi (2009); Blasi & Serpico (2009); Mertsch & Sarkar (2009); Ahlers *et al.* (2010); Tomassetti & Donato (2012); Cholis & Hooper (2012); Mertsch & Sarkar (2014); Cholis *et al.* (2017); Mertsch, Vittino, Sarkar (2020); Kawanak & Lee (2021)

- Transport equation

$$u \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \kappa \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial x} - \frac{p}{3} \frac{du}{dx} \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial p} + \Gamma_i f_i = q_i \quad \text{with} \quad \underbrace{\Gamma_i = vn \sum_{j<i} \sigma_{i \rightarrow j}}_{\text{spallation loss}}, \quad \underbrace{q_i = vn \sum_{j>i} \sigma_{j \rightarrow i} f_j}_{\text{spallation production}}$$

1 Downstream (+) solution is not const. anymore:

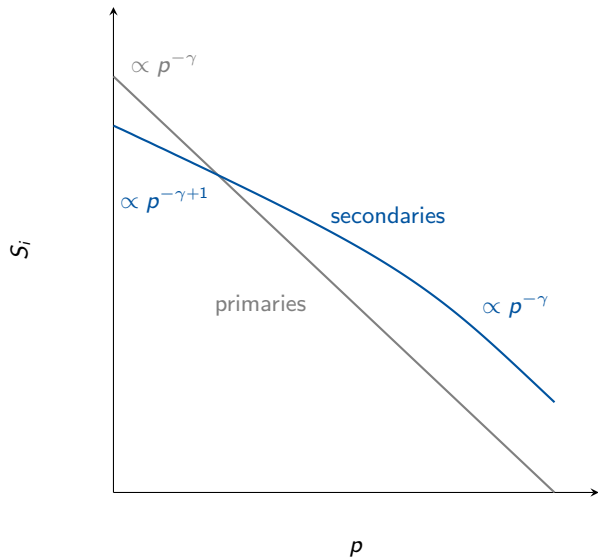
$$f_i^+(x, p) \simeq f_i^0(p) + r \left(\underbrace{q_i^0(p)}_{\propto p^{-\gamma}} - \Gamma_i^+ f_i^0(p) \right) \frac{x}{u_+}$$

2 Spectrum at shock is not $\propto p^{-\gamma}$ anymore:

$$f_i^0(p) = \gamma p^{-\gamma} \int_0^p dp' p'^{\gamma-1} \left(\underbrace{Y_i \delta(p' - p_{inj})}_{\rightarrow p^{-\gamma}} + (1 + r^2) e^{-p'/p_r} \underbrace{\frac{\kappa(p')}{u_-^2} \underbrace{q_i^0(p')}_{\propto p'^{-\gamma}}}_{\rightarrow p^{-\gamma+1}} \right)$$

DSA with secondaries

Mertsch, Vittino, Sarkar (2020)



The transport equation

for galactic transport

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Large number of free parameters

- Unknown parameters:

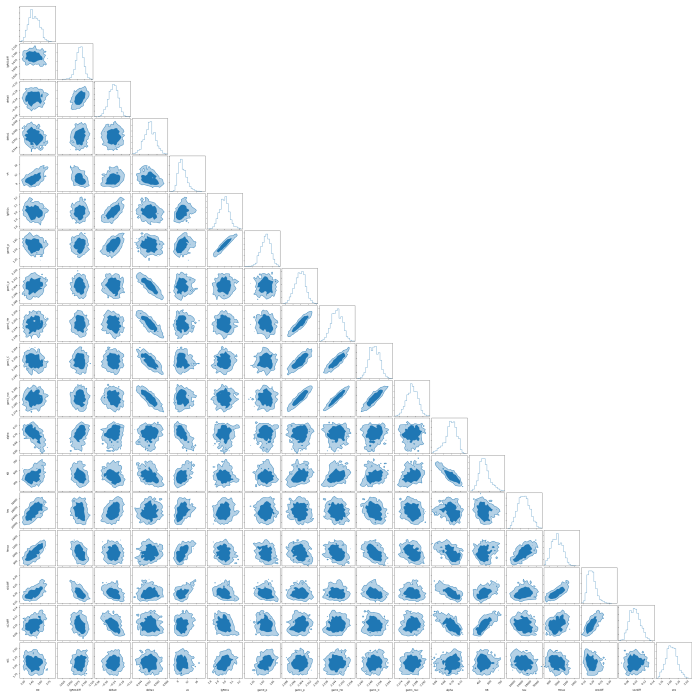
- source spectrum: $\gamma_1^p, \gamma_2^p, \mathcal{R}_{br}^p, s^p, \gamma_2^{He}, \gamma_2^C, \gamma_2^{nuc}$
- gal. transport: $\kappa_0, \mathcal{R}_{12}, \mathcal{R}_{23}, s_{12}, s_{23}, \delta_1, \delta_2, \delta_3, v_A$
- solar modulation: $\phi_p, \phi_{e^+}, \phi_{\bar{p}}, \phi_{nuc}$
- accn. of secs.: $\tau_{SNR}, K_B, \mathcal{R}_{max}, \alpha$

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- Cannot adopt values from other studies
- Need to efficiently scan parameter space
- Used affine-invariant MC sampler emcee

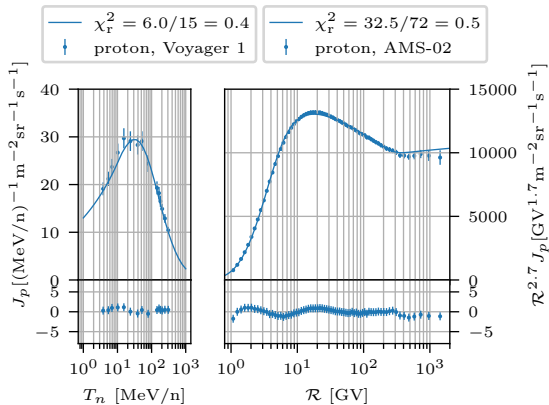
Cross-section uncertainty

- For e^+ : Dermer, Kamae *et al.*, Huang *et al.*
- For \bar{p} : Winkler, Feng *et al.*, Kachelriess *et al.*, Tan & Ng
- Some needed to be implemented in GALPROP



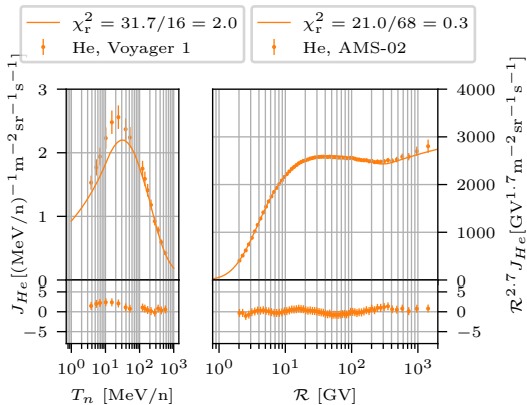
Results: proton

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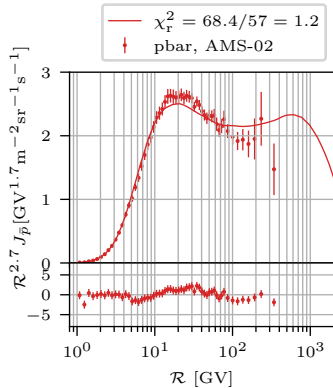
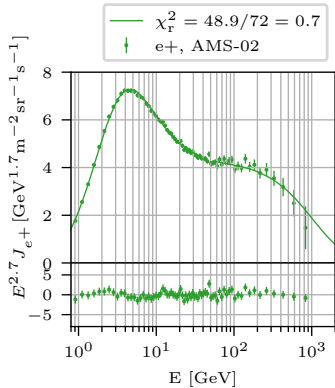
Results: helium

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Results: positrons, antiprotons

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Future improvements

Reminder: steady-state spectrum at shock:

$$f_i^0(p) = \gamma p^{-\gamma} \int_0^p dp' p'^{\gamma-1} \left(\underbrace{Y_i \delta(p' - p_{inj})}_{\rightarrow p^{-\gamma}} + (1 + r^2) e^{-p'/p_T} \underbrace{\frac{\kappa(p')}{u_-^2}}_{\propto p'} \underbrace{q_i^0(p')}_{\propto p'^{-\gamma}} \right)$$

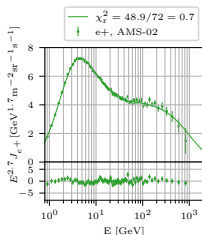
$\rightarrow p^{-\gamma+1}$

Additional effects

- Time-dependence, e.g. for shock speed hydro, t_{dyn}
- Self-consistent $\kappa(p)$ kinetic, t_{gyro}
- Escape hydro-kinetic, ?

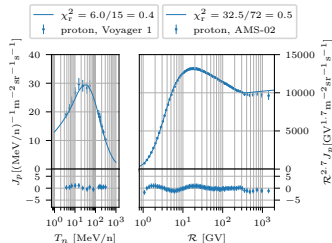
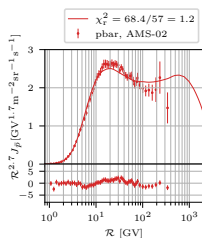
→ A multi-scale problem!

Summary



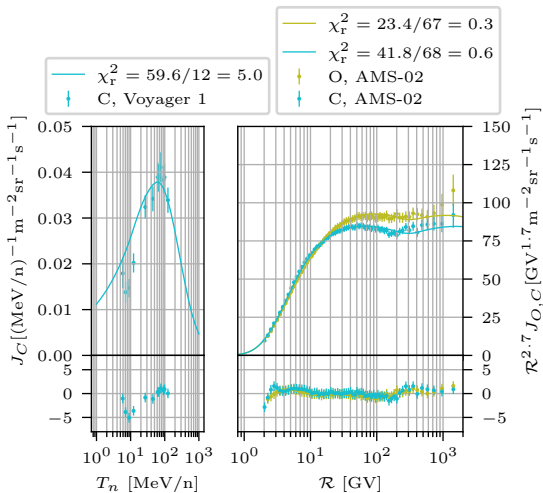
- Secondary CRs get shock accelerated inside supernova remnants
- Can explain the e^+ excess, the hard \bar{p} spectrum, ...
- No need for new class of sources!

Mertsch, Vittino, Sarkar (2020), arXiv:2012.12853



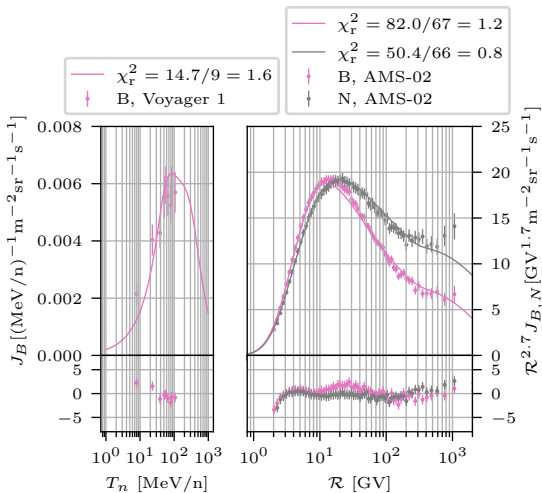
Results: carbon, oxygen

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Results: boron, nitrogen

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Results: boron-to-carbon ratio

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