



Multi-phase gas in and around galaxies: the impact of cosmic rays, magnetic fields and cooling processes

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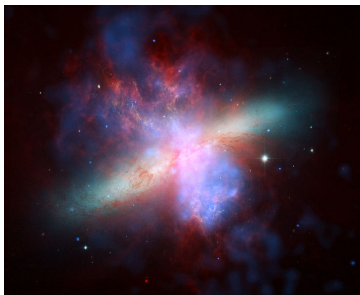
Multiphase Gas in Astrophysics, KITP, Oct 2020



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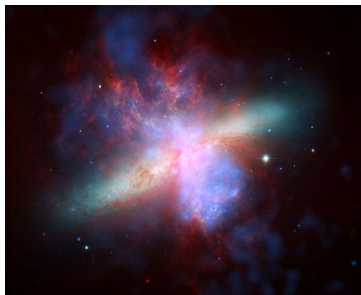
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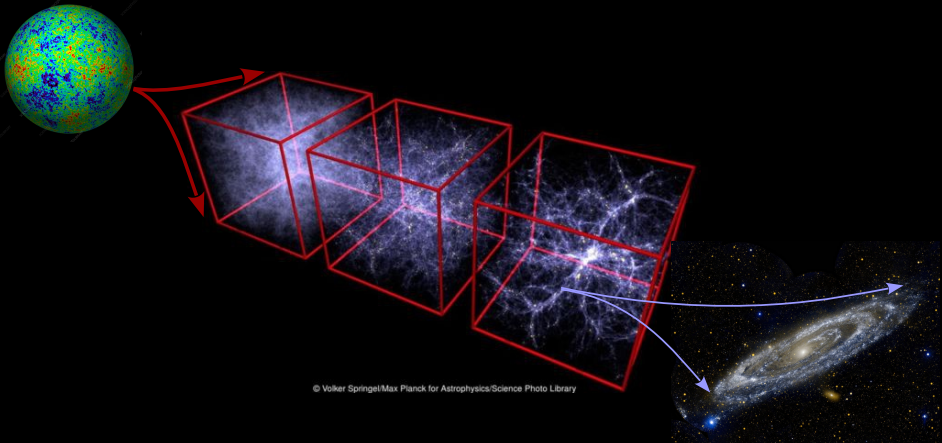
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How can we accelerate a warm cloud by a hot wind?

- **wind ram pressure aided by magnetic tension** acting on the cloud
- **cosmic ray (CR) pressure gradient** applying work on the cloud
- **thermal instability of hot wind** that cools & transfers momentum

Cosmological galaxy formation



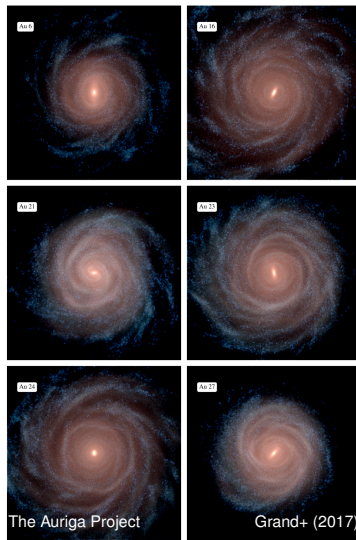
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Auriga galaxy formation model

- primordial and metal line cooling
- sub-resolution model for star formation (Springel+ 03)
- mass and metal return from stars to ISM
- cold dense gas stabilized by pressurized ISM
- thermal and kinetic energy from supernovae modeled by isotropic wind – launched outside of SF region
- black hole seeding and accretion model (Springel+ 05)
- thermal feedback from AGN in radio and quasar mode
- uniform magnetic field of 10^{-10} G seeded at $z = 128$

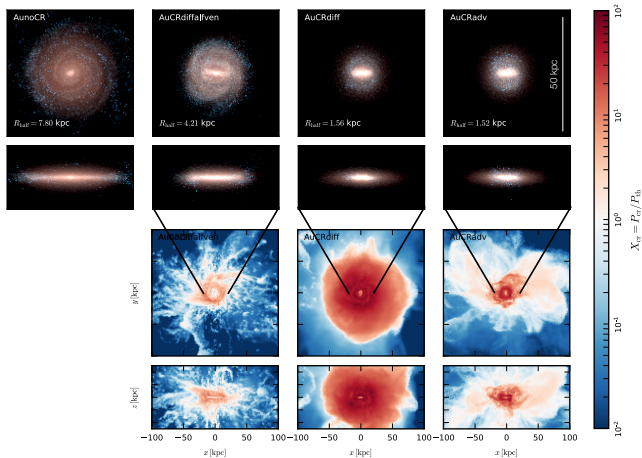
Simulation suite (Buck+ 2019)

- 2 galaxies, baryons with $5 \times 10^4 M_{\odot} \sim 5 \times 10^6$ resolution elements in halo, 2×10^6 star particles
- **4 different CR models for each galaxy:**
 - no CRs
 - CR advection
 - + CR anisotropic diffusion
 - + CR Alfvén wave cooling



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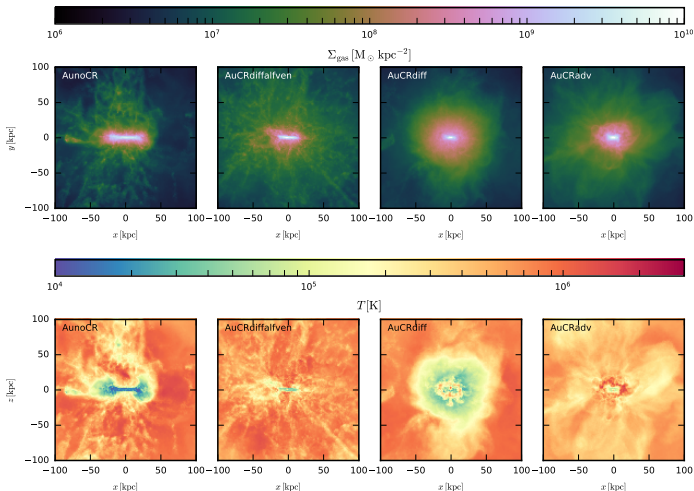
Auriga MHD models: CR transport changes disk sizes



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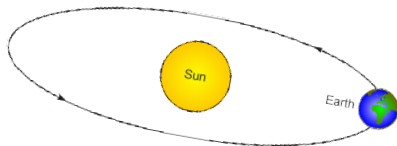
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Cosmic ray transport: an extreme multi-scale problem



Milky Way-like galaxy:

$$r_{\text{gal}} \sim 10^4 \text{ pc}$$



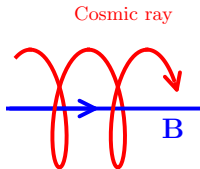
gyro-orbit of GeV cosmic ray:

$$r_{\text{cr}} = \frac{p_{\perp}}{e B_{\mu\text{G}}} \sim 10^{-6} \text{ pc} \sim \frac{1}{4} \text{ AU}$$

⇒ need to develop a **fluid theory for a collisionless, non-Maxwellian component!**

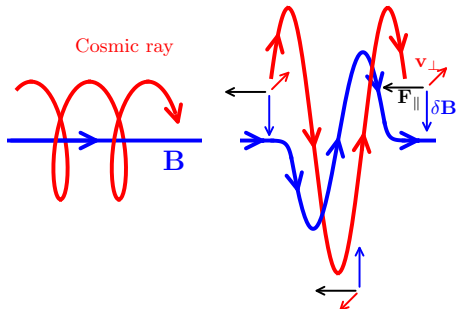
Zweibel (2017), Jiang & Oh (2018), Thomas & CP (2019)

Interactions of CRs and magnetic fields



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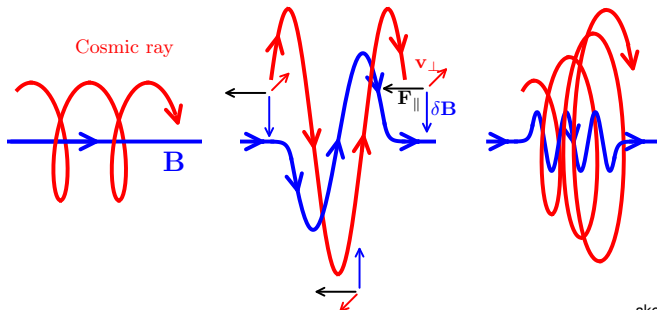
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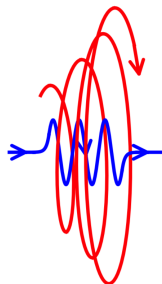
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- CRs scatter on magnetic fields \rightarrow isotropization of CR momenta



CR streaming and diffusion

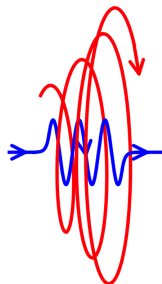
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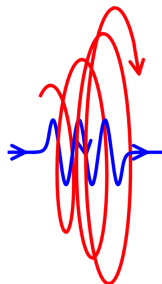


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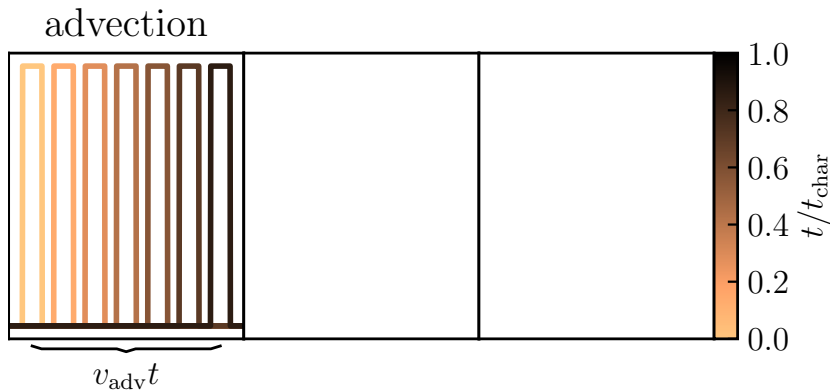
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weak wave damping: strong coupling → CR stream with waves

strong wave damping: less waves to scatter → CR diffusion prevails



Modes of CR propagation

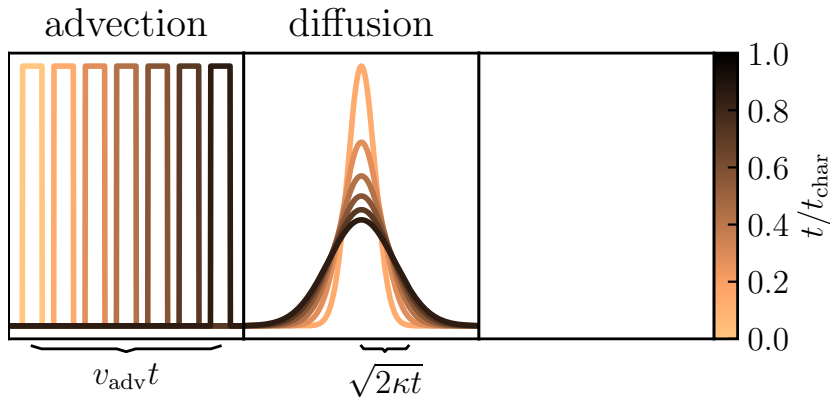


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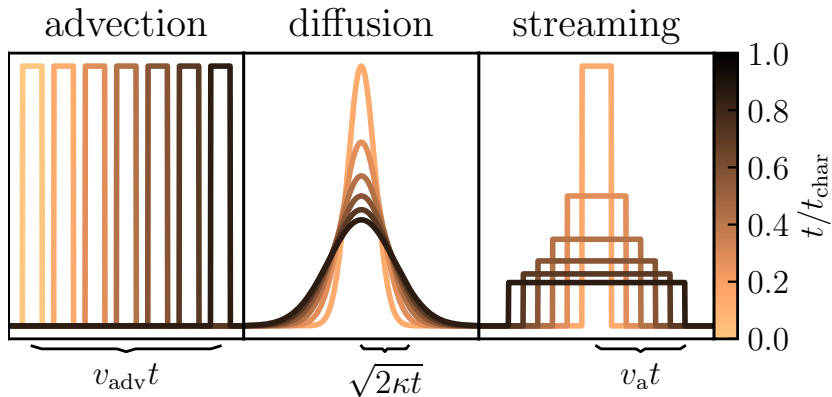
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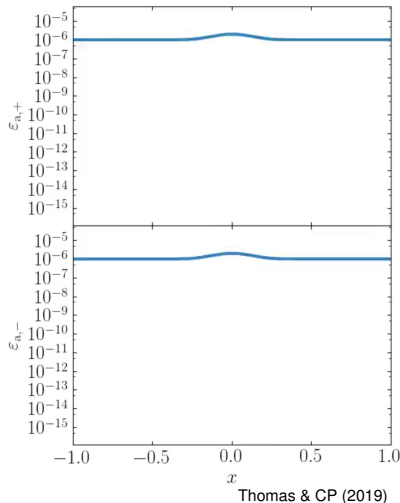
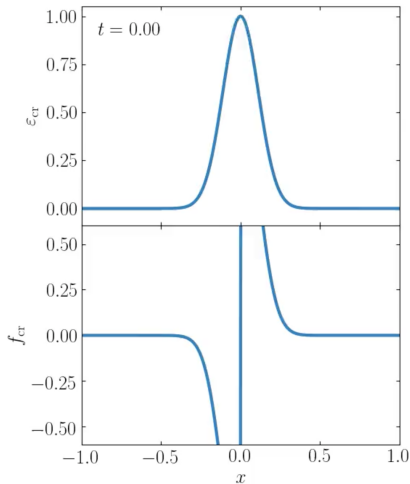


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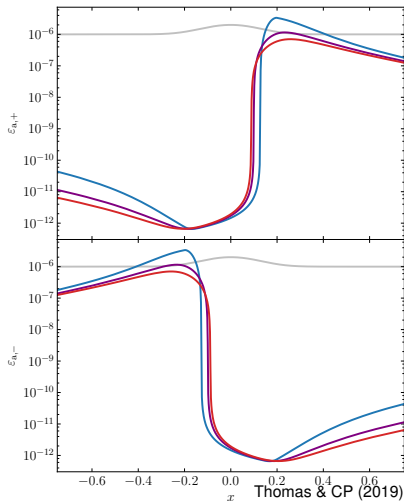
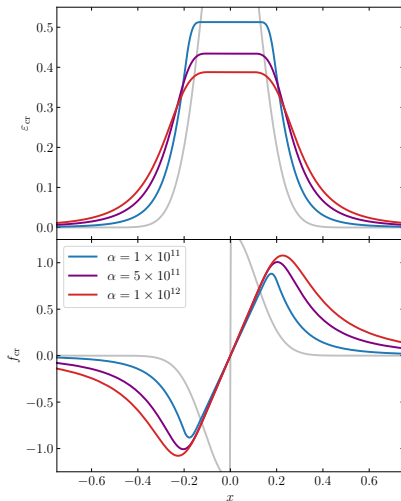
Coupling the evolution of CR and Alfvén wave energy densities



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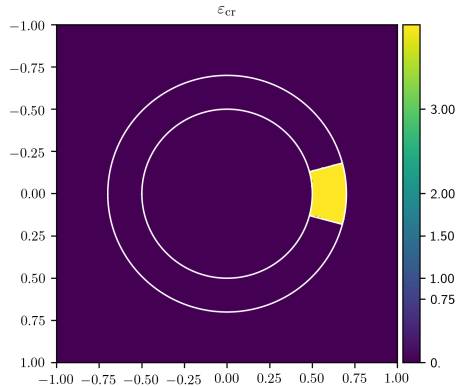
Varying damping rate of Alfvén waves modulates the diffusivity of solution



Anisotropic CR streaming and diffusion – AREPO

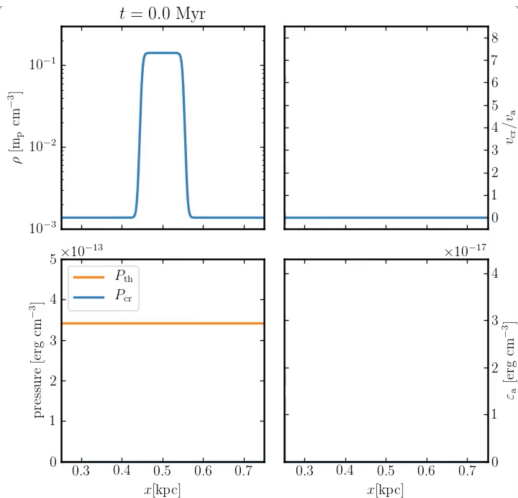
CR transport mediated by Alfvén waves and coupled to magneto-hydrodynamics

- CR streaming and diffusion along magnetic field lines in the self-confinement picture
- moment expansion similar to radiation hydrodynamics
- accounts for kinetic physics: non-linear Landau damping, gyro-resonant instability, ...
- Galilean invariant and causal transport
- energy and momentum conserving



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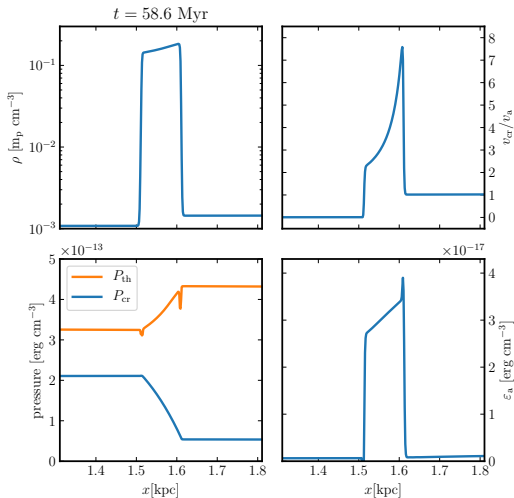
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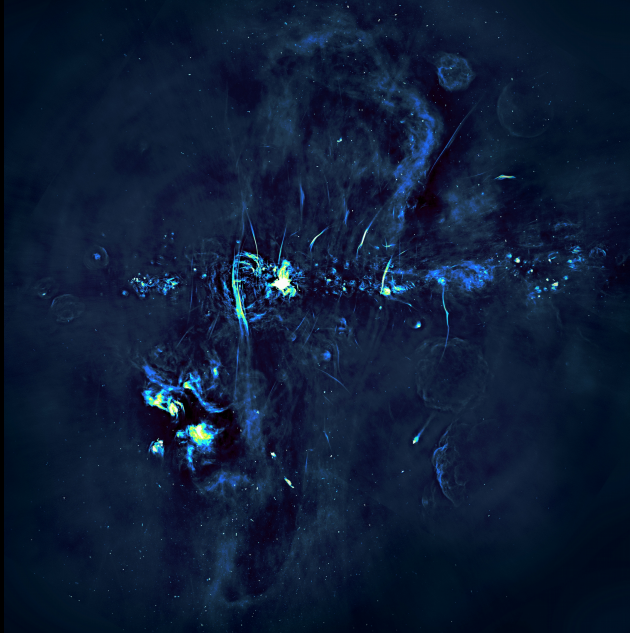


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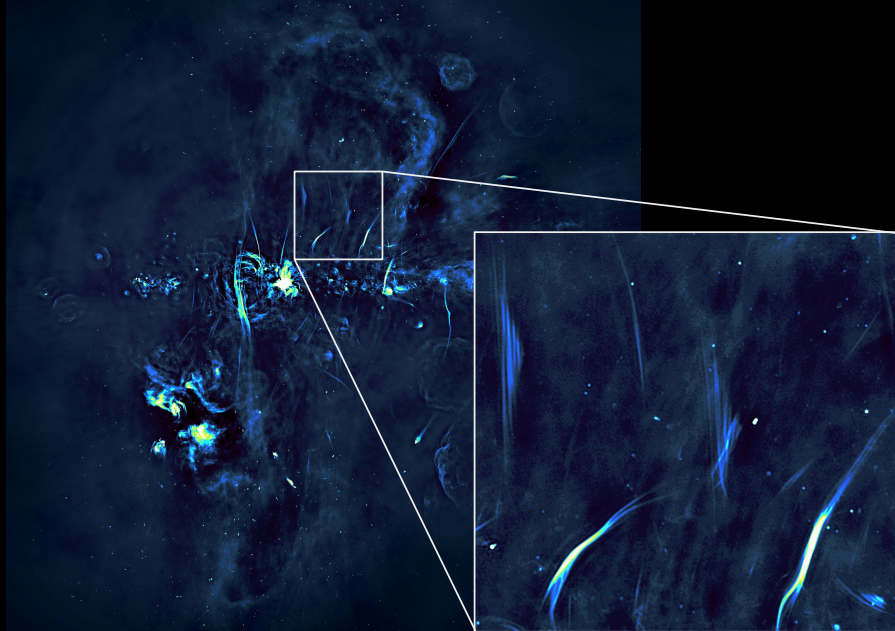
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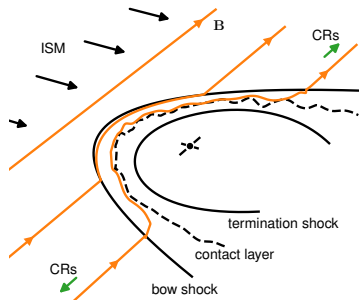
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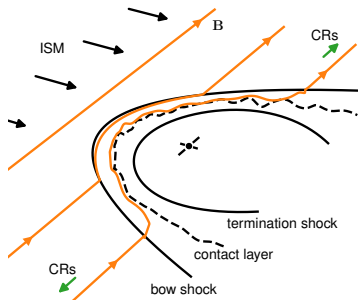
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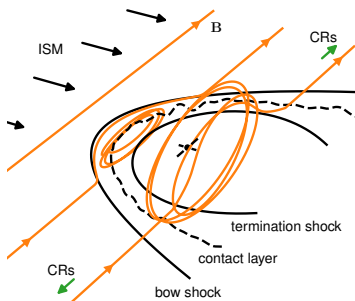
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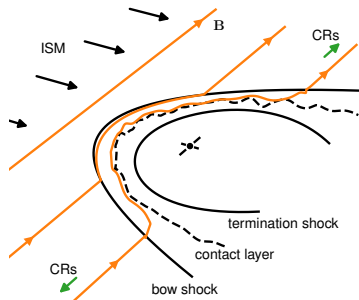
magnetic reconnection at pulsar wind



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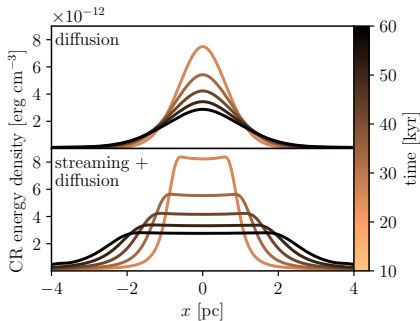
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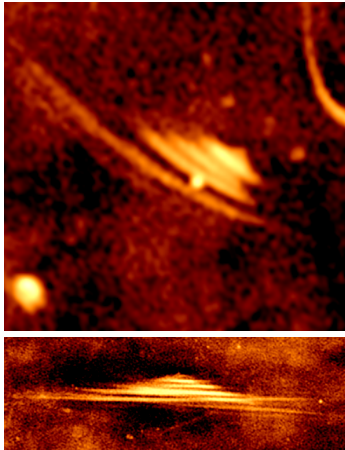


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CR diffusion vs. streaming + diffusion

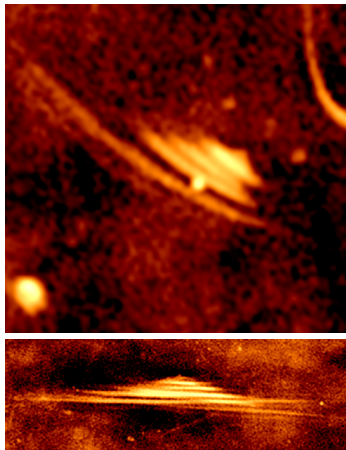


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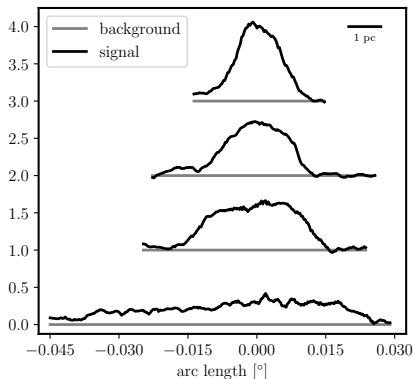
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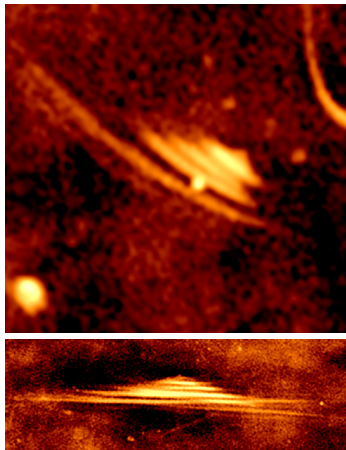
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lateral radio profiles



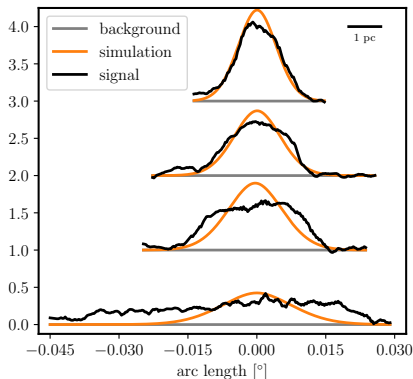
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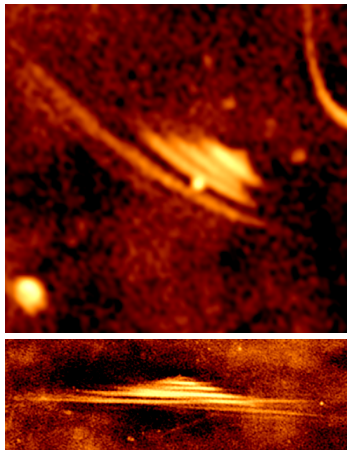
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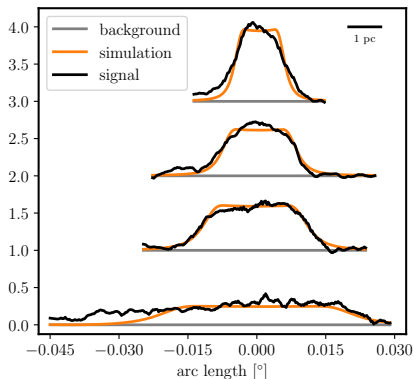
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CR streaming and diffusion



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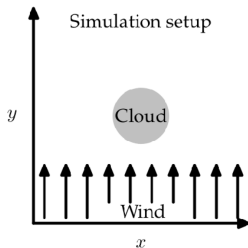
Interaction of a cold cloud with a hot wind

Interaction of a cold cloud with a hot wind: the regimes of cloud growth and destruction and the impact of magnetic fields

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$$T_{\text{cloud}} = 10^4 \text{ K}$$

$$n_{\text{cloud}} = 0.1 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

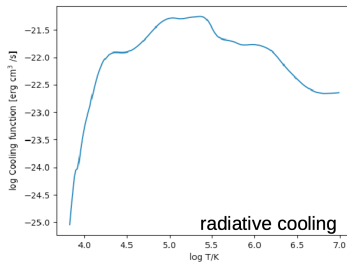
$$R = 25 \text{ pc}$$

$$T_{\text{wind}} = 5.0 \times 10^6 \text{ K}$$

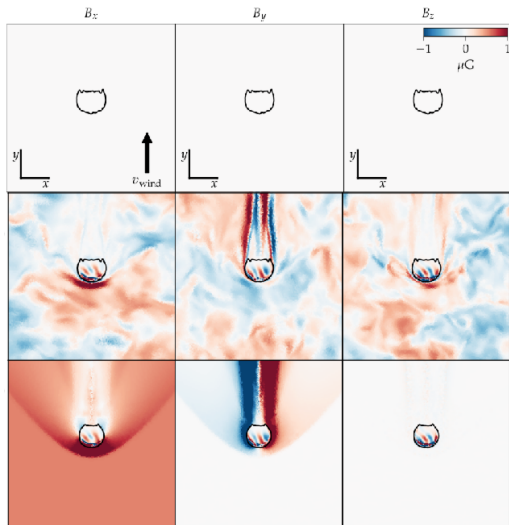
$$n_{\text{wind}} = 2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$M = 1.5$$

$$\beta = 10 \text{ or } \infty (\beta \equiv P_{\text{th}}/P_B)$$



Magnetic field configurations

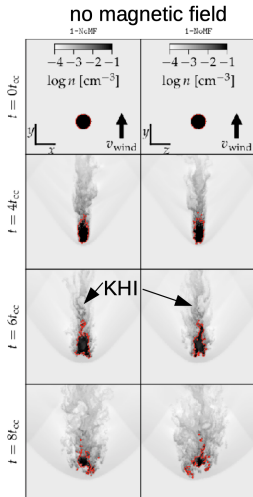


no magnetic field

turbulent B

uniform B

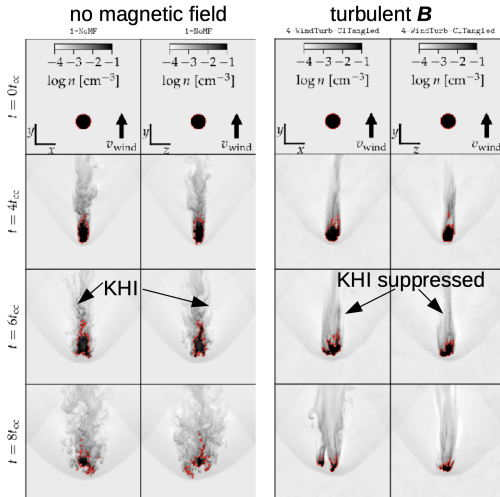
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KHI = Kelvin Helmholtz instability

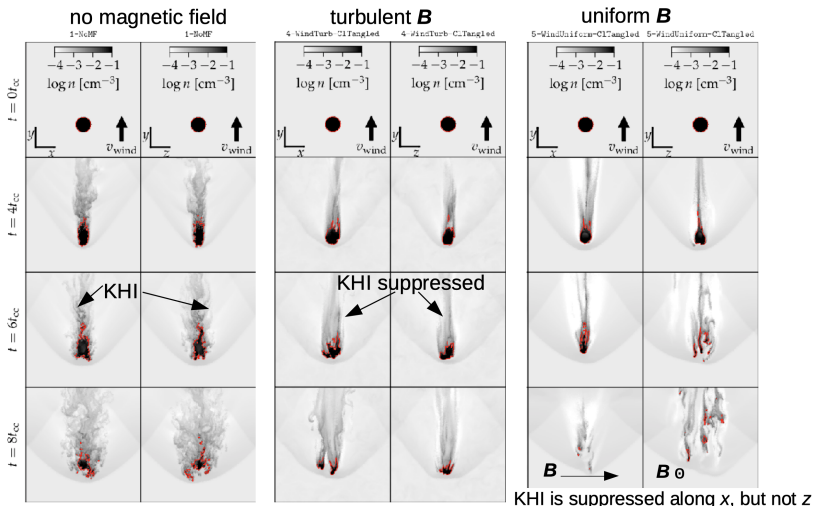
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A magnetic field suppresses the Kelvin-Helmholtz instability (KHI) in the wake of the cloud

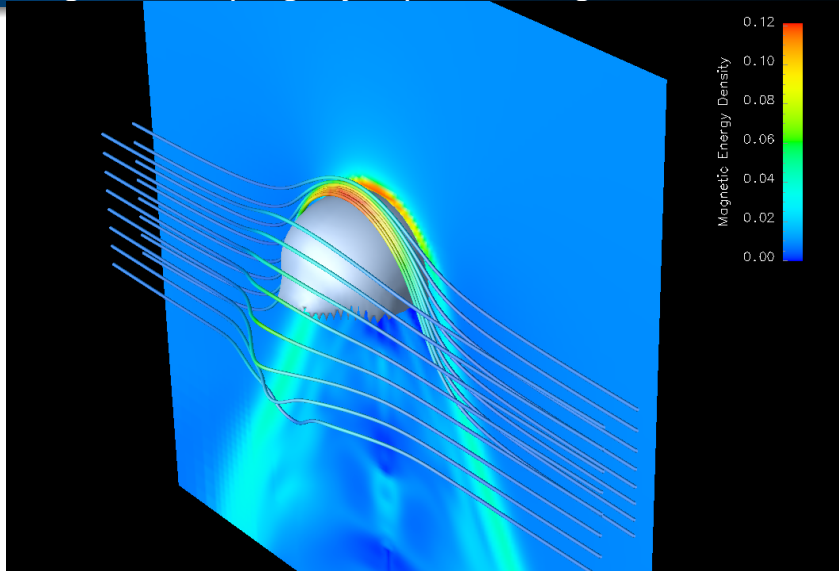
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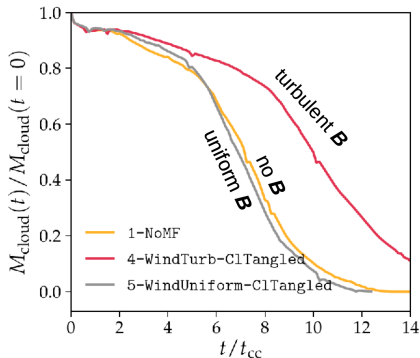


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A magnetic draping layer protects against instabilities

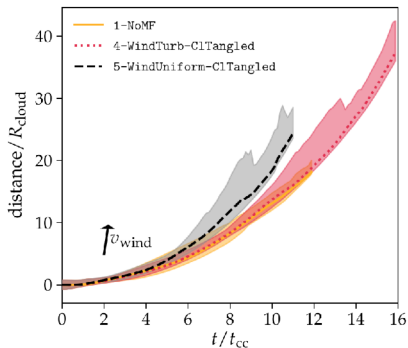
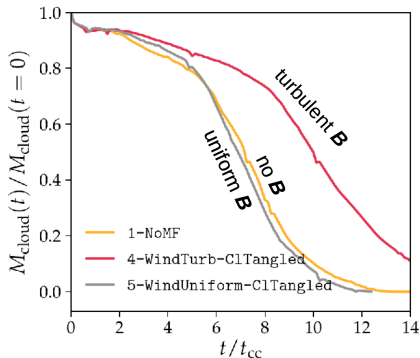


A turbulent B field extends cloud's lifetime



$$t_{\text{cc}} \equiv \frac{R_{\text{cloud}}}{v_{\text{wind}}} \sqrt{\frac{\rho_{\text{cloud}}}{\rho_{\text{wind}}}}$$

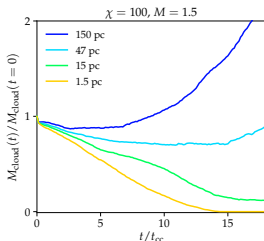
A uniform B field initially accelerates cloud more



- KHI instability shatters a **small cloud** into small pieces that mix with and dissolve into the hot wind
- magnetic field protects against instabilities and increases survival time by 30%, but does not halt the cloud's destruction

(Sparre, CP, Ehlert 2020)

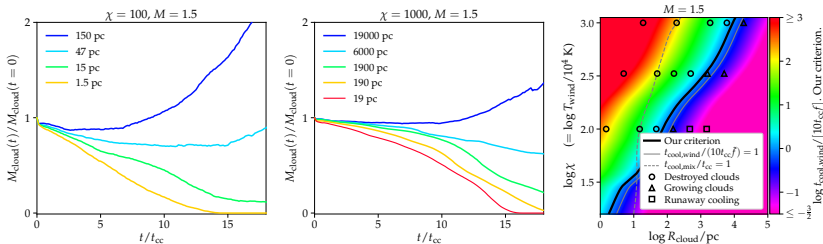
The growth regime



- ram-pressure stripped gas from a **large cloud** mixes with the hot wind to intermediate temperatures
- thermal instability causes further cooling and **net accretion of hot gas to the cold tail**
- **momentum transfer from hot wind to cooled accreted material** implies fast outflow of cold/warm phase: transformational understanding of galactic winds!

(Armillotta+ 2017, Gronke & Oh 2018, 2019, Li+ 2019, Sparre+ 2020, Kanjilal+ 2020)

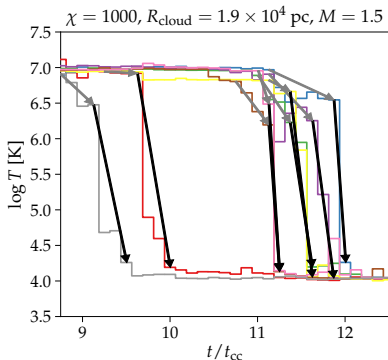
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- **hot-wind cooling time sets transition radius and not the mixed-phase cooling time** \Rightarrow cloud growth criterion (Sparre+ 2020):

$$\frac{t_{\text{cool,wind}}}{t_{\text{cc}}} < 10f(M, R_{\text{cloud}}, n_{\text{wind}}, v_{\text{wind}})$$

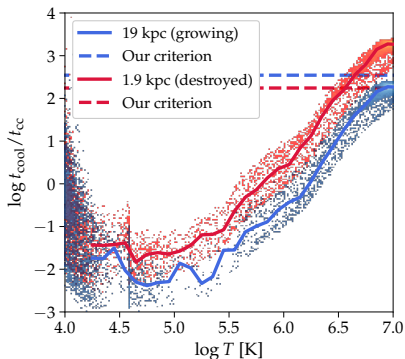
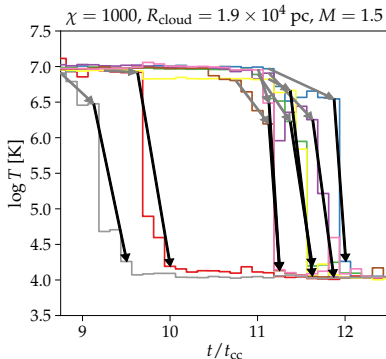
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- initial decline of T_{wind} is caused by **mixing or compressible fluctuations** \Rightarrow scatter in t_{cool} at fixed temperature

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- magnetic field protects against instabilities and increases the survival time
- destruction regime: transport of dense gas to several kpcs hard to explain because cloud shatters and dissolves in the wind
- growth regime: momentum transfer from hot wind to the cooling and accreting material implies fast outflow of cold/warm phase

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Additional slides



Analogies of CR and radiation hydrodynamics

CRs and radiation are relativistic fluids

regime	CR transport	radiation HD analogy
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> resolved \mathbf{B}, strong scattering 	CR streaming with \mathbf{v}_a	Thomson scattering ($\tau \gg 1$) → advection with \mathbf{v}
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> weak scattering 	CR streaming and diffusion	flux-limited diffusion/ M1 closure ($\tau \gtrsim 1$)
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Jiang & Oh (2018), Thomas & CP (2019)



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> weak scattering 	CR streaming and diffusion	flux-limited diffusion/ M1 closure ($\tau \gtrsim 1$)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> no scattering 	CR propagation with c	vacuum propagation

Jiang & Oh (2018), Thomas & CP (2019)

but: CR hydrodynamics is charged RHD

→ **take gyrotropic average and account for anisotropic transport**



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- **solution:** transform in comoving frame and project out gyrokinetics!



Alfvén-wave regulated CR transport

- comoving equ's for CR energy and momentum density (along \mathbf{B}), ε_{cr} and f_{cr}/c^2 , and Alfvén-wave energy densities $\varepsilon_{a,\pm}$ (Thomas & CP 2019)

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