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On the contribution of cosmic-ray interactions in the Galactic halo to the observed neutrino flux

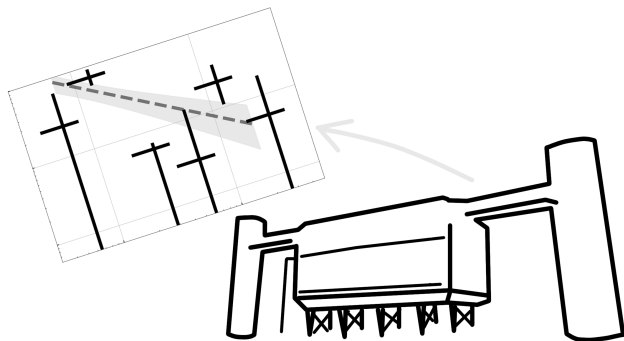
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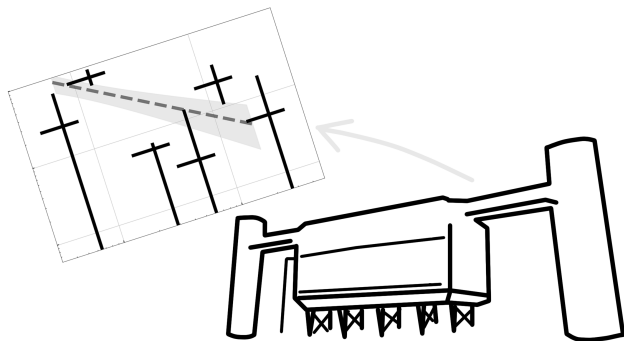


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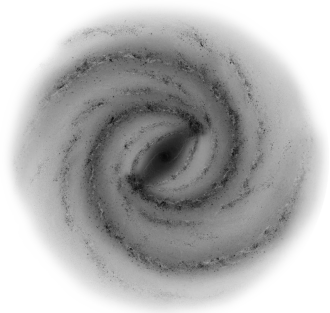
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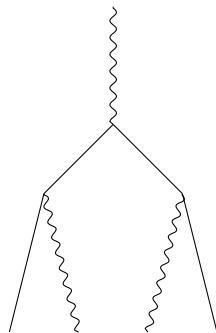
Introduction. Possible origin of high-energy astro- ν

Galactic?..



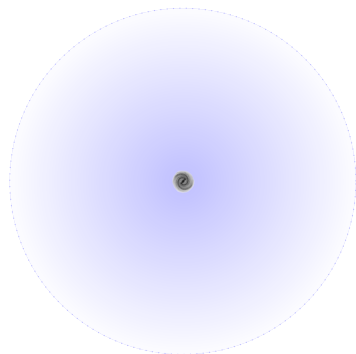
...for a long time: undetected
anisotropy [arXiv:2208.08423]

Extragalactic?..



...accompanying γ -rays:
e/m cascades on CMB, EBL

Circumgalactic!



$$R \sim (200 \dots 300) \text{ kpc}$$

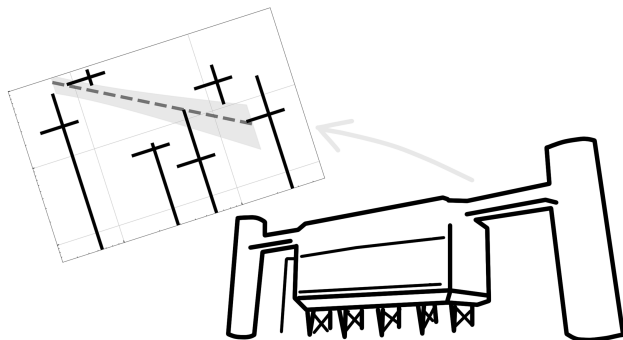
[arXiv:1403.3206]

- ✓ not enough for e/m cascade to develop
- ✓ enough for (quasi-)isotropy

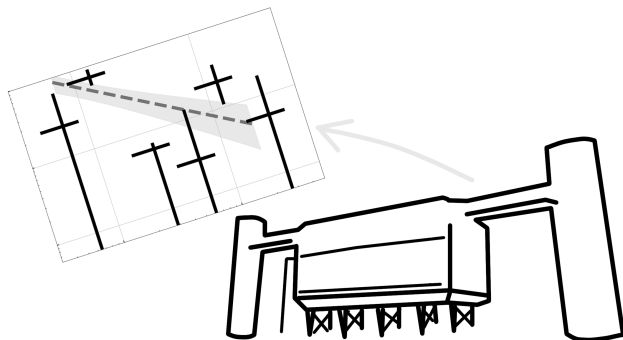
BUT

- ? significant neutrino production rate

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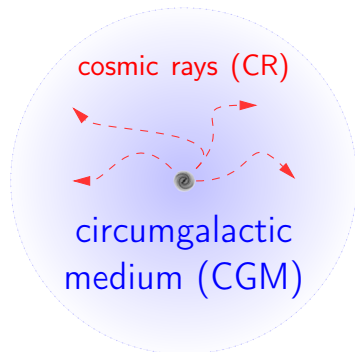
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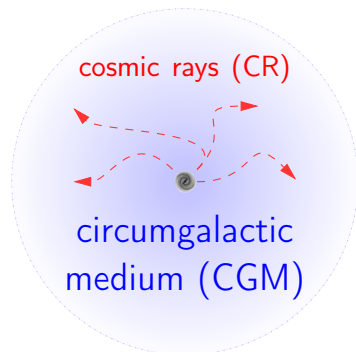
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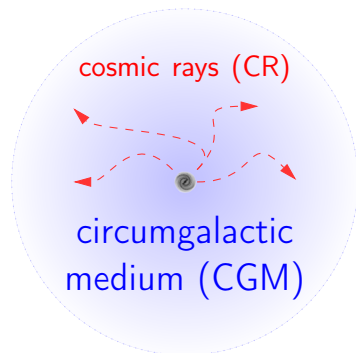
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- γ -rays: must be $\leq 100\%$ at all energies!

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- only p + gas \rightarrow ...
- oscillations disabled
- 1D transport eq-s
- source term:

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Satellite galaxies

- ram-pressure stripping:
 n_{CGM} is probed directly
- lack of data & detailed simulations in literature

Oxygen spectra

- absorption or blank-sky emission (OVII, OVIII)
- not n_{CGM} but n_{oxygen} is actually probed

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transition at $r \sim 30$ kpc, piecewise function is used

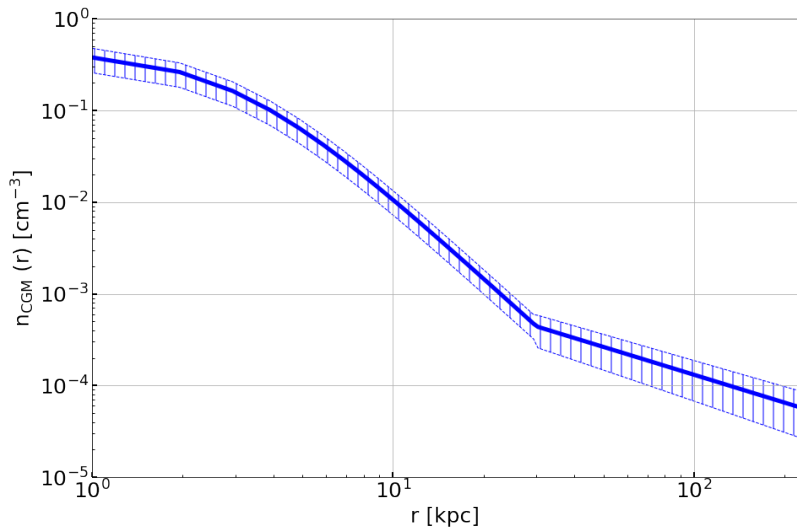
$$r_c = 3 \text{ kpc}$$

$$n_0 = 4.54 \times 10^{-3} \text{ cm}^{-3} \quad \beta = 0.337 \quad | \quad r_{\text{kpc}}^* \geq 30 \quad [\text{arXiv:2105.02557}]$$

$$n_0 = 4.47 \times 10^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-3} \quad \beta = 1.000 \quad | \quad r_{\text{kpc}} < 30 \quad [\text{arXiv:1205.0249}]$$

*hereafter $x_{\text{unit}} \equiv x/\text{unit}$

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Primary cosmic rays. Spectrum and density

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$j_{\text{CR}}(r, E)$ — depends on the assumed escape scenario!

Diffusive scenario

[arXiv:1608.07421]

- sources in the MW disc
- j_{CR} is the solution of the diffusion equation
- the injection spectrum and temporal evolution must be assumed

Non-diffusive scenario

[arXiv:2101.05016]

- observations of M31: tension with diffusion
- BUT: no well-described alternative scenario
 - additional acceleration in the CGM (shock waves?)
 - delivery of CR to the CGM inside bubbles?

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial}{\partial t} j_{\text{CR}}(r, E', t) &= D(E') \Delta_r j_{\text{CR}}(r, E', t) \\ &\quad - c \sigma_{pp}(E') n_{\text{CGM}}(r) j_{\text{CR}}(r, E', t) \\ &\quad + Q(r, E', t)\end{aligned}$$

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$$j(r, E', t_0) = ?$$

the present-day CR profile and spectrum

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$$D(E') = D_0 (E'_{\text{GeV}})^{1/3}, \quad D_0 = 1.2 \times 10^{29} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

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$$\sigma_{pp}(E') = \sigma_0 + \sigma_1 (\log E'_{\text{GeV}}) + \sigma_2 (\log E'_{\text{GeV}})^2$$

[PDG 2021], $E' > 10 \text{ GeV}$

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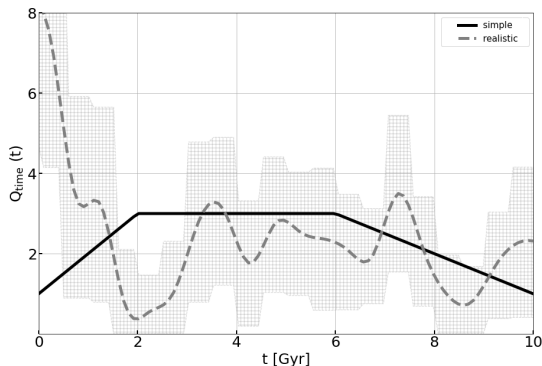
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$$Q(r, E, t) \propto \theta(r_Q - r) E'^{-\alpha} e^{-\frac{E'}{E_{\text{cut}}}} \times Q_{\text{time}}(t)$$

Primary cosmic rays. Diffusive scenario



$$r_{Q \text{ kpc}} = 15, \quad \alpha = 2, \quad E_{\text{cut GeV}} = 10^8$$

[arXiv:1608.07421]

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$$j_{\text{CR}}(r, E', t = 0) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial r} j_{\text{CR}}(r = 0, E', t) = j_{\text{CR}}(r \rightarrow \infty, E', t) = 0$$

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...But we can obtain $j_{\text{CR}}(r, E')$ phenomenologically!

Advantage: no need to assume a specific scenario,
all* of them are taken into account

**non-diffusive* is just a conventional term, possible diffusion is also included

- Reminder

secondary CR source: $j_{\text{CR}}(r, E') \times n_{\text{CGM}}(r) \times \frac{d\sigma_{\text{pp}}}{dE}$

- Assumptions (toy-model)

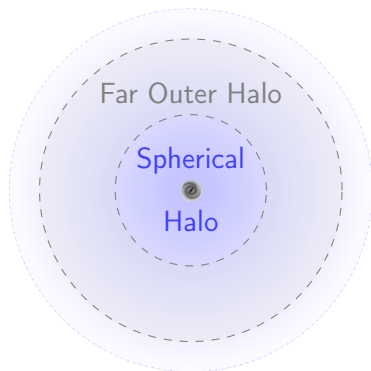
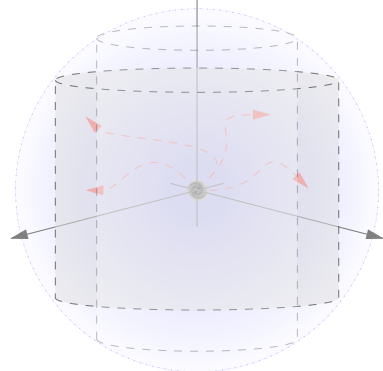
- $n_{\text{CGM}}(r) \times j_{\text{CR}}(r, E') \propto r_{\text{kpc}}^{-a} \times (E'_{\text{GeV}})^{-2}$
- $f_{\text{M31}}(r) = f_{\text{MW}}(kr)$, $k = \text{M31-to-MW } R_{\text{vir}}$ ratio

Idea: constrain the slope a from the observations of M31

[arXiv:1903.10533]

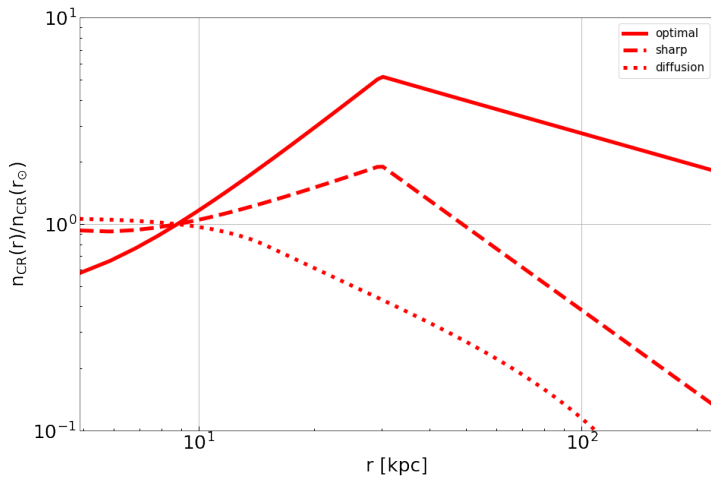
Primary cosmic rays. Non-diffusive scenario

line of sight



$I_{\text{SH}} \div I_{\text{FOH}}$ is an observable function of a !

Primary cosmic rays. Results



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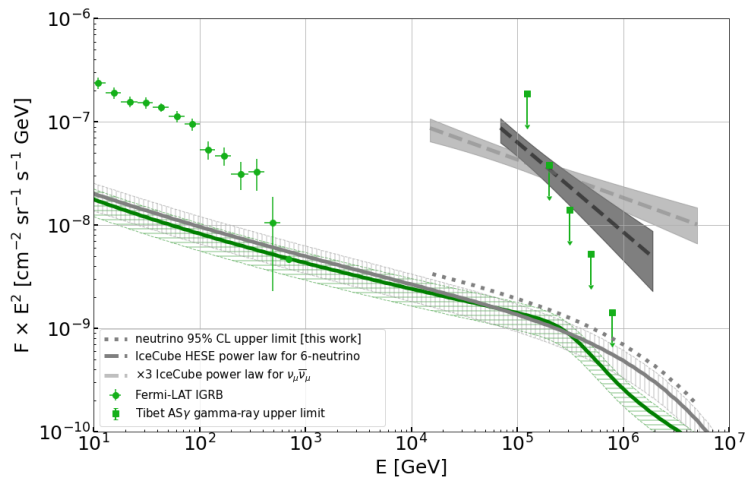
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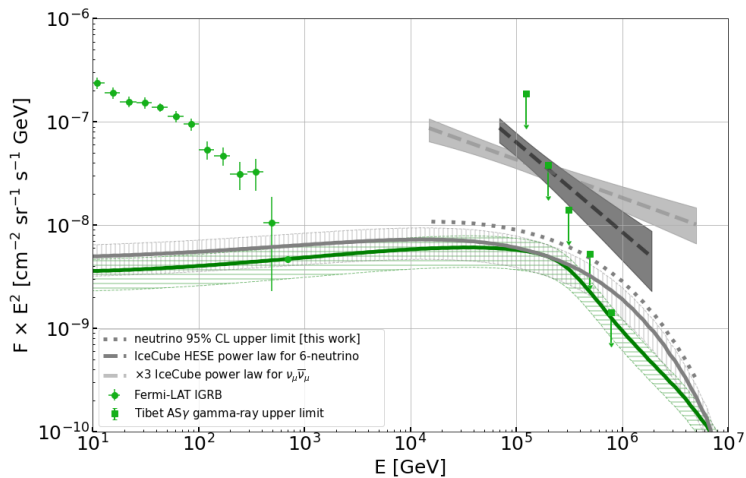
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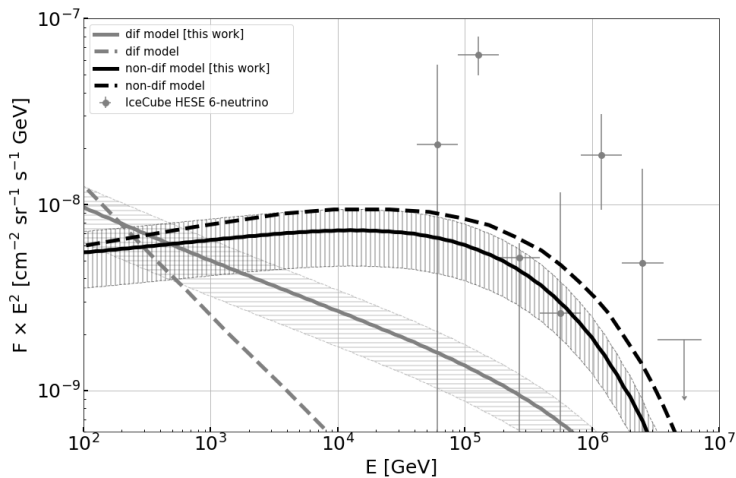
Secondary cosmic rays. Results for diffusive scenario



Secondary cosmic rays. Results for non-diffusive scenario



Secondary cosmic rays. Comparison with previous studies



Secondary cosmic rays. CGM-to-total ratio for ν

model \ scenario	diffusive	non-diffusive
IceCube HESE	2.7 (1.6...3.7)%	11.8 (6.8...16.6)%
IceCube $\nu_\mu \bar{\nu}_\mu \times 3$	3.1 (1.9...4.1)%	11.1 (6.5...15.1)%

What is the circumgalactic contribution?

We find that the CGM contribution to the observed neutrino flux is always subleading

Where do these neutrinos come from?

(Mostly) not from the CGM :)

For a detailed discussion, implications, etc.:
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$$\begin{aligned}
 r_{\text{kpc}} &=: \varrho, \quad t_{\text{Gyr}} =: \tau, \quad D(E') \times \text{kpc}^{-2} \text{ Gyr} =: D, \\
 c\sigma_{\text{pp}}(E')n_{\text{CGM}}(r) \times \text{Gyr} &=: f(\varrho), \\
 E'^{-\alpha} \exp\left(\frac{-E'}{E'_{\text{cut}}}\right) r\theta(r_Q - r)Q_{\text{time}}(t) \times \text{GeV}^\alpha \text{ kpc}^{-1} &=: q(\varrho, \tau)
 \end{aligned}$$

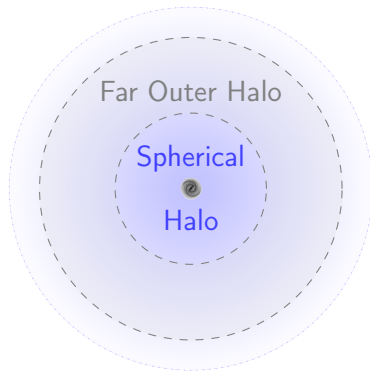
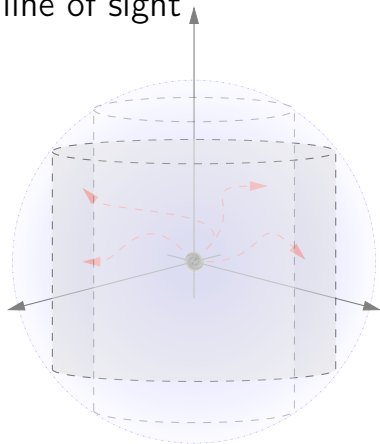
1024×256 (1024×2048) rectangular grid
 $(\varrho_k, \tau_m) = (k\Delta\varrho, m\Delta\tau), (\varrho, \tau) \in [0, \varrho_{\text{bound}}] \times [0, 10]$
 $\varrho_{\text{bound}} = 1000 \longleftrightarrow r = 1 \text{ Mpc} \gg r_{\text{gyr}}(E'_{\text{cut}})$

$$u(r, E', t) = rj(r, E', t)/Q_0, \quad u_k^0 = u_0^m = u_{k_{\text{max}}}^m$$

$$\frac{u_k^{m+1} - u_k^m}{\Delta\tau} = \frac{D(u_{k+1}^{m+1} - u_{k-1}^{m+1} - 2u_k^{m+1})}{(\Delta\varrho)^2} - f_k u_i^{m+1} + q_k^{m+1}$$

Backup. Observable function of a

line of sight



$$I(\eta_{in}, \eta_{out}|a) = \frac{I_0}{\eta_{out}^2 - \eta_{in}^2} \int_{\eta_{in}}^{\eta_{out}} d\eta \left(\eta^2 \times \int_0^{\sqrt{1-\eta^2}} d\xi (\xi^2 + \eta^2)^{-a/2} \right) =$$
$$= \frac{I_0}{\eta_{out}^2 - \eta_{in}^2} \times \int_{\eta_{in}}^{\eta_{out}} d\eta \eta^{2-a} \sqrt{1-\eta^2} {}_2F_1 \left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{a}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, 1 - \frac{1}{\eta^2} \right)$$
$$\eta = r_{\perp}/R_{vir}, \quad \xi = r_{\parallel}/R_{vir}$$

$$a_{\text{optimal}} = 1.5, \quad a_{\text{sharp}} = 2.3$$

parameter \ scenario	diffusive	non-diffusive
$E'_{\text{tot}}, 10^{55} \text{ erg}$	2.9	3.1
$P, 10^{41} \text{ erg s}^{-1} \times (T/\text{Myr})$	9.3	9.8