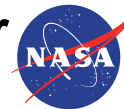


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Cosmic Rays in the Context of Multimessenger Astronomy

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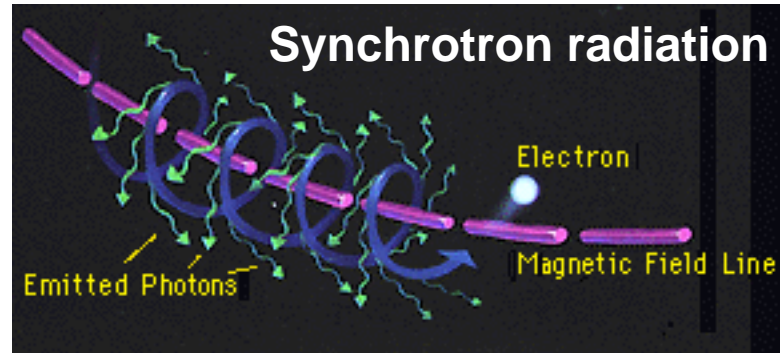
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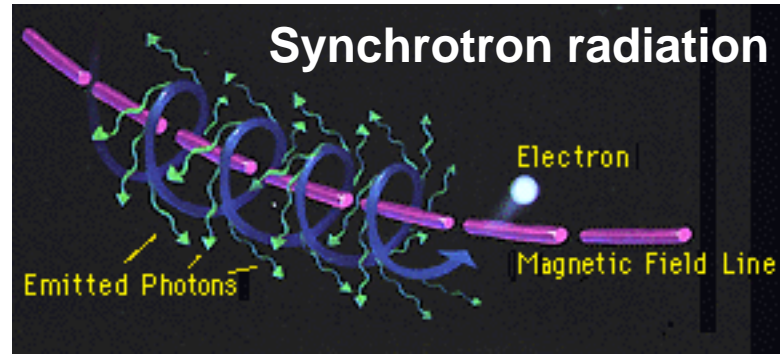
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➤ $E_e \sim 30$ GeV or

➤ $\gamma \sim 60,000$

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Radio-wavelength photons may be low energy, but the emitting electrons are high energy



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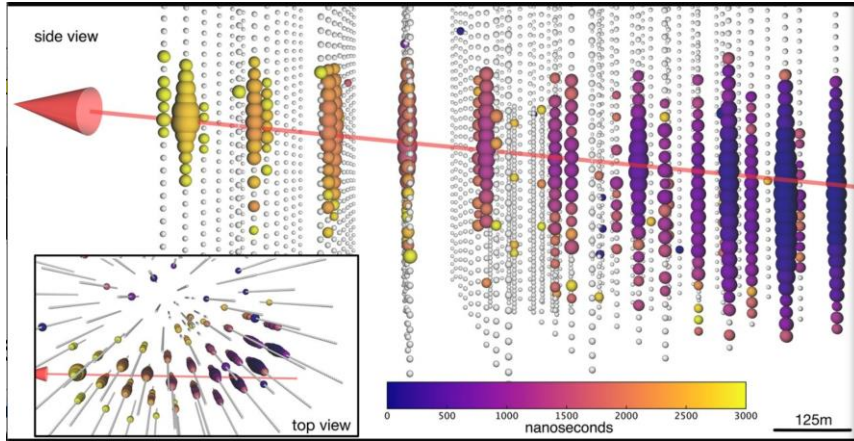
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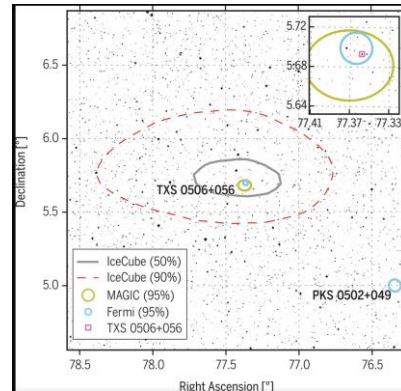
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IceCube 170922A

IceCube Collaboration et al.



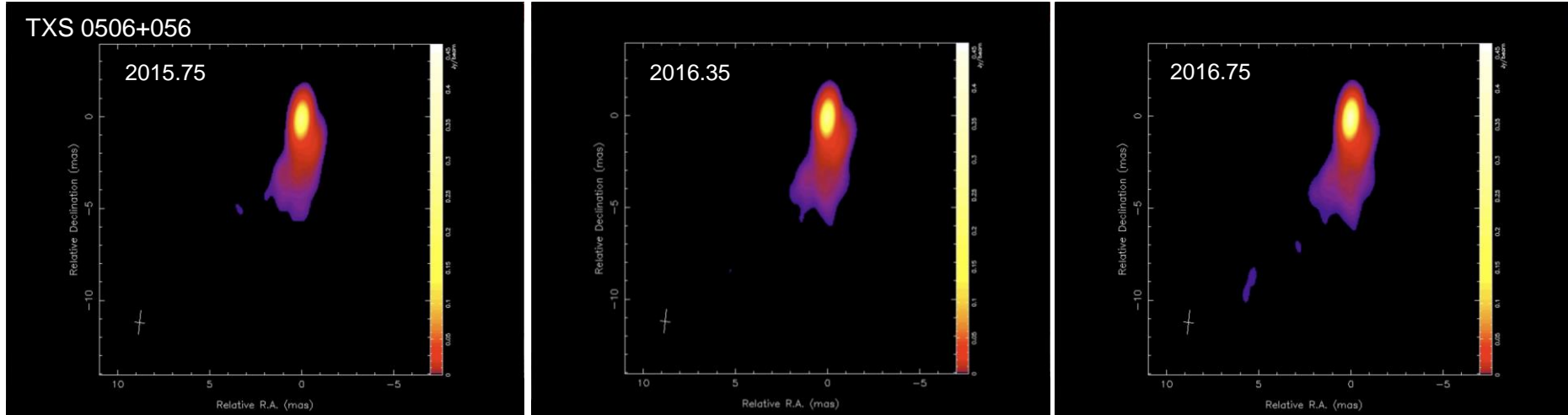
Radio Astronomical Studies

2017 September 22,
IceCube detects 24 TeV ν_{μ}

➤ Track of ν_{μ} pointed to
TXS 0506+056

- TXS 0506+056 identified in Texas 365 MHz survey (Douglas et al. 1996)
- What is a “blazar”? Radio source with jet pointed toward observer, significant variability

Neutrino-Emitting Blazars and Radio Astronomy



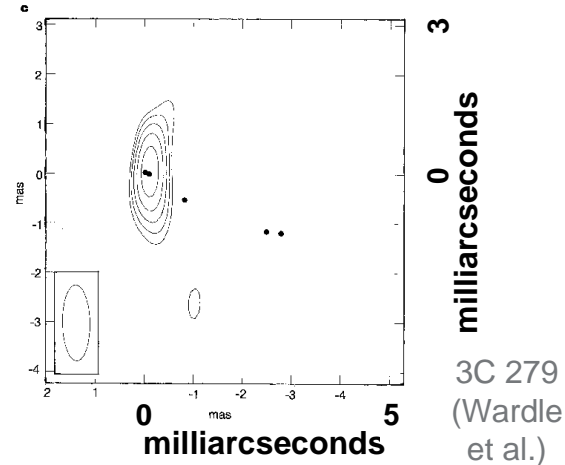
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MOJAVE Collaboration:
Lister et al.

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Coming Attraction?

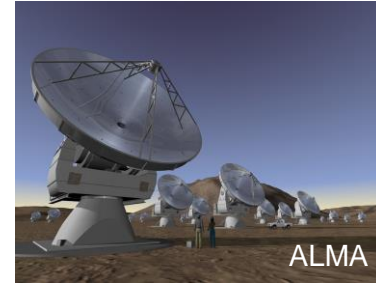
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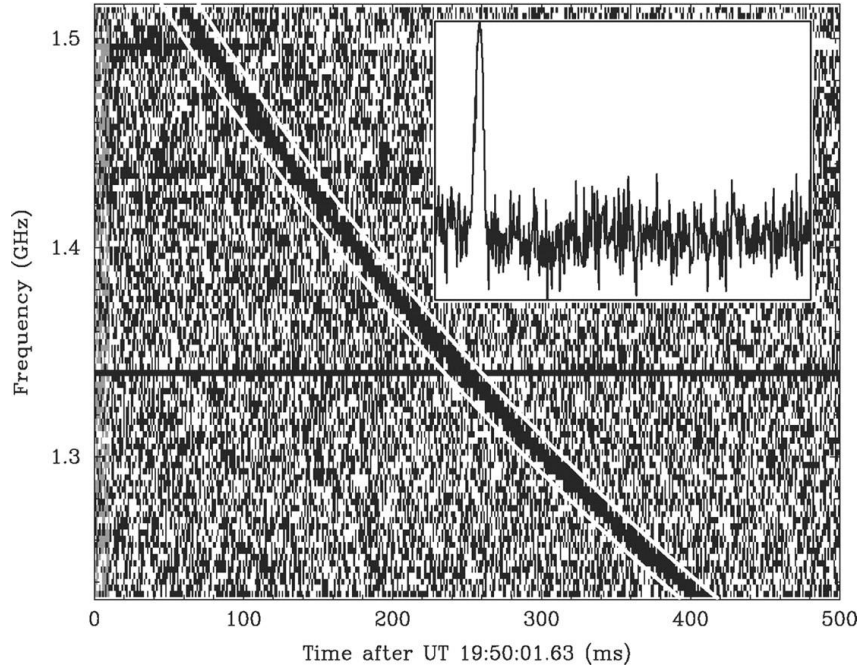
Neutrino-Emitting Blazars and Radio Astronomy

The Future

- **Powerful complement of (VLBI-relevant) facilities available or in development**
 - Very Long Baseline Array (VLBA)
 - European Very Long Baseline Interferometry Network (EVN)
 - Australian Long Baseline Array (LBA)
 - Atacama Large Millimeter/submillimeter Array (ALMA)
 - Event Horizon Telescope (EHT)
 - East Asian Very Long Baseline Interferometry Network (EAVN)
 - Next-generation Very Large Array (ngVLA) – design & development
 - Square Kilometre Array Phase 1 (SKA1-Mid) – construction initiated
- **Monitoring programs quite feasible**
 - Too often perceived as “not novel”☹



Fast Radio Bursts (FRBs) and Neutrinos?

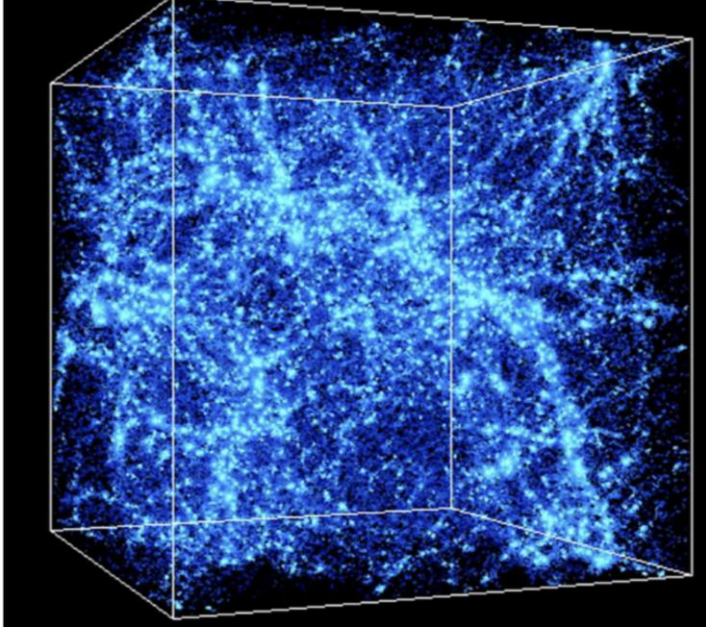


- **Fast radio bursts (FRBs) = intense millisecond duration decimeter-wavelength bursts ($\sim 1 \text{ Jy ms @ 1 GHz}$) of extraterrestrial origin**
 - ... and FRB 200428/SGR 1935+2154
- **High brightness temperature ($> 10^{32} \text{ K}$) \rightarrow extreme conditions of emitter**
 - Strong magnetic fields, ultra-relativistic shocks, ...
 - No definitive counterparts ... yet?

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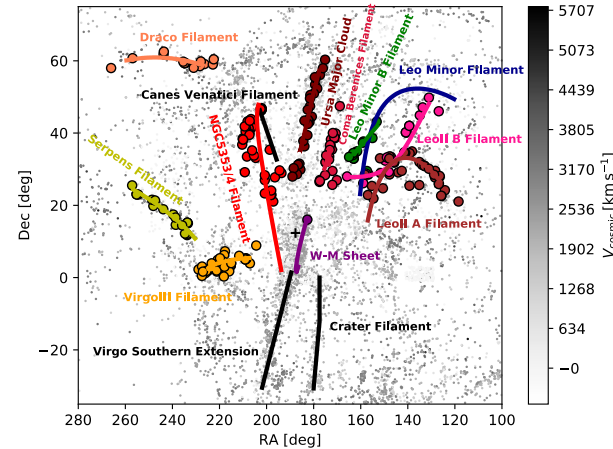
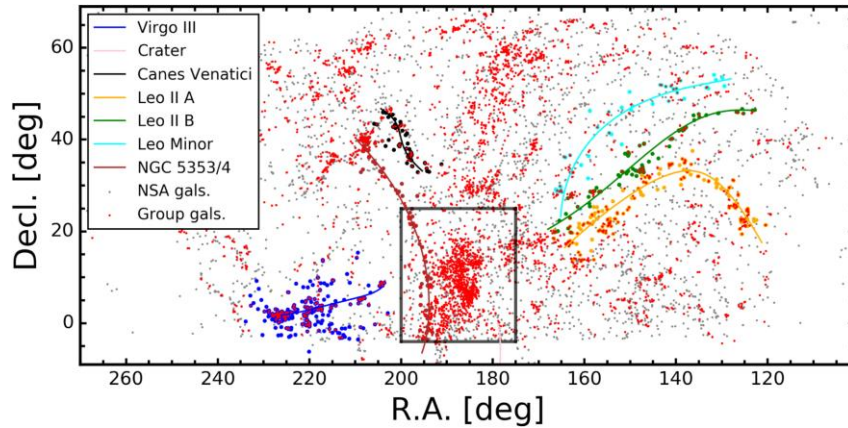


Most baryons likely in “cosmic web” --- Mpc-scale filaments connecting clusters of galaxies

- **If magnetized, scatter or “steer” ultra-high energy CRs (UHECRs)?**

Credit: A. Kravtsov (Univ. Chicago), A. Klypin (NMSU)

Intergalactic Magnetic Field and Local Cosmic Web

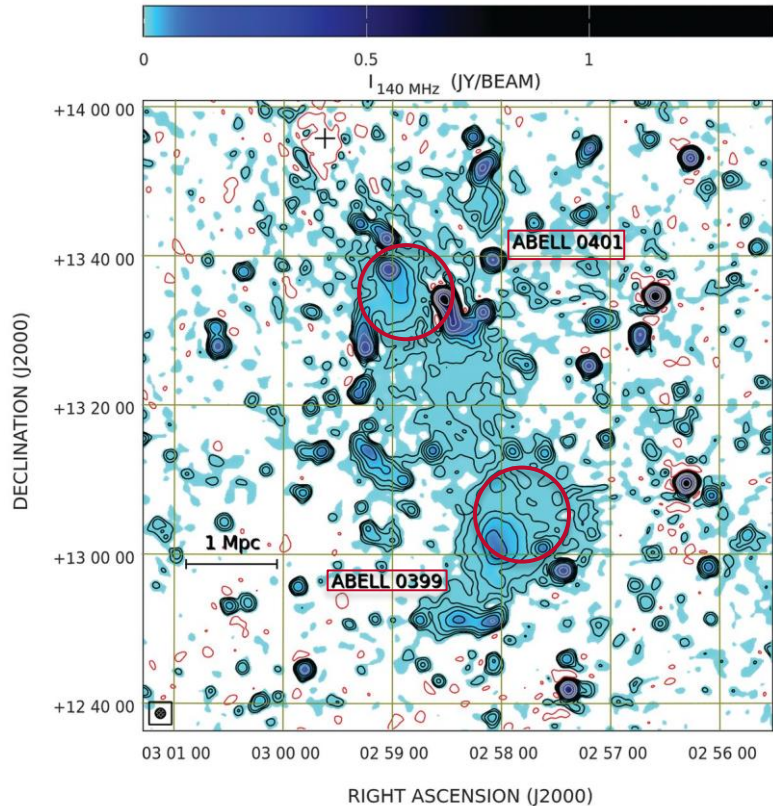


Two views of local cosmic web --- toward Virgo Cluster

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- M87 often considered local accelerator

P.S. Right Ascension is supposed to be in sexagesimal notation (HH:MM)

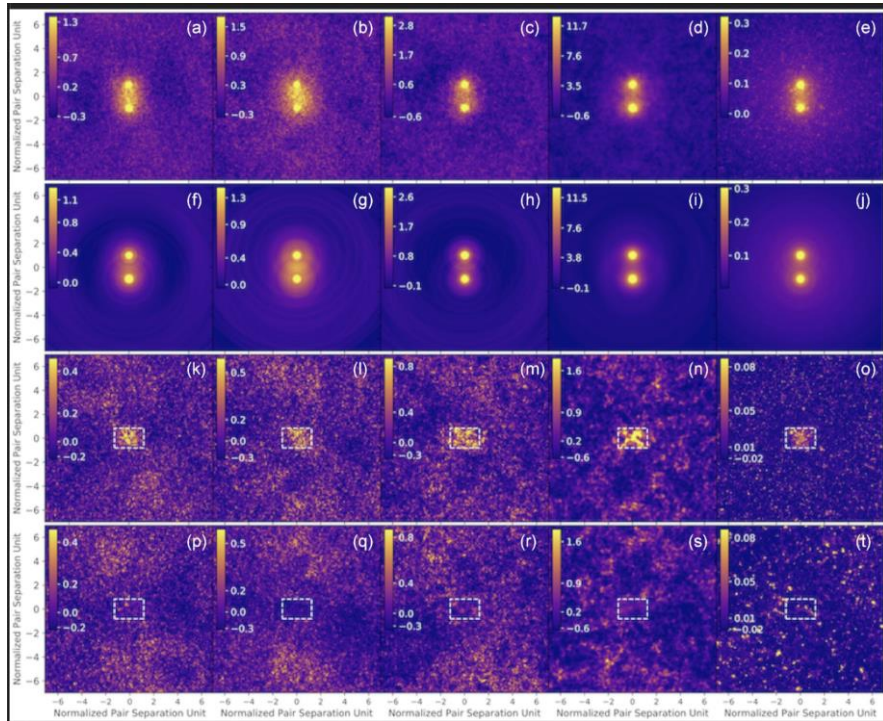
Radio Bridges and the Cosmic Web



- **Multi--Mpc-scale “radio bridges”** being found between merging clusters of galaxies
- **Synchrotron emission**
 - What’s the acceleration mechanism??
 - Magnetic fields clearly present

A399-A401 (Govoni et al.)

Radio Emission from the Cosmic Web



GLEAM
154 MHz

GLEAM
118 MHz

GLEAM
88 MHz

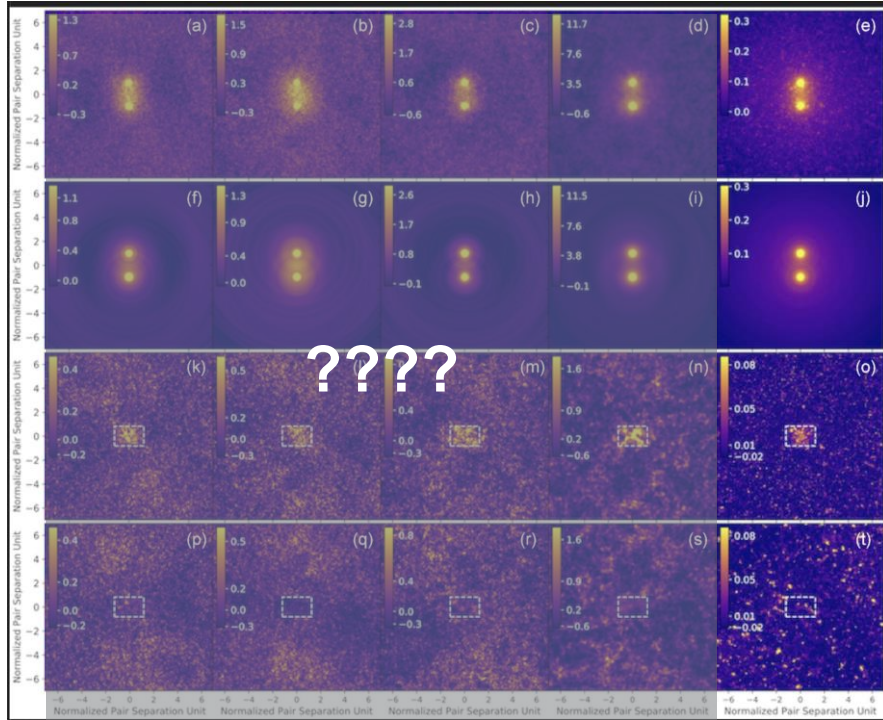
OVRO-
LWA
73 MHz

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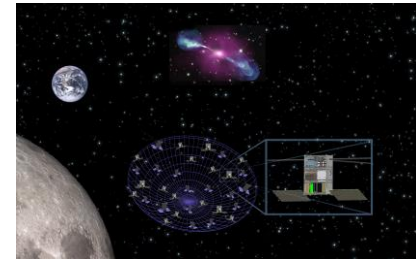
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- Or not? Viz. Hodgson et al. vs. Vernstrom et al.

Intergalactic Magnetic Field and the Cosmic Web

Future

Some current and emerging facilities

- Need high surface brightness to detect diffuse cosmic web
- Need (very) long wavelengths to detect low-energy CR electrons (because acceleration is not efficient within cosmic web? or CR electrons have diffused significantly from site of acceleration?)
- Australian SKA Pathfinder
- SKA1-Mid(?)
- LOFAR
- Future space-based telescope?



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Summary

- **What's radio astronomy got to do with it?!?**
 - Radio photons typically produced by cosmic ray electrons
- **Neutrino-emitting blazars? (and FRBs?)**
 - Radio-wavelength observations have been key to identifying potential neutrino-emitting sources
 - Powerful probe of where jet is being launched, potentially neutrinos being produced
- **Intergalactic magnetic field (IGMF) and the cosmic web**
 - Structure of IGMF will affect (UHR)CR propagation
 - Radio-wavelength observations revealing aspects of IGMF, both locally and cosmologically
- *Cosmic structure formation and particle acceleration*

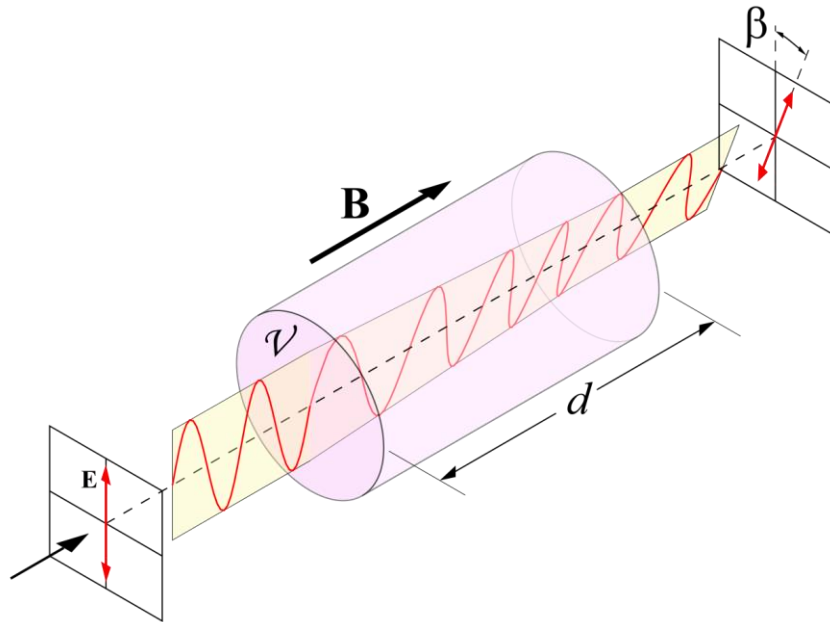


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Intergalactic Magnetic Field and the Cosmic Web

Faraday Rotation

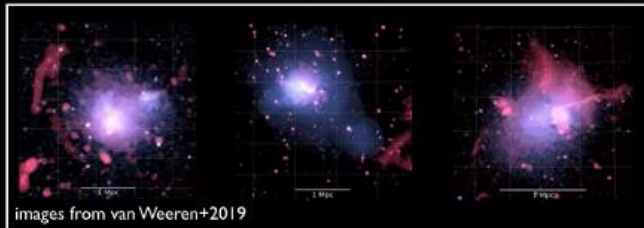
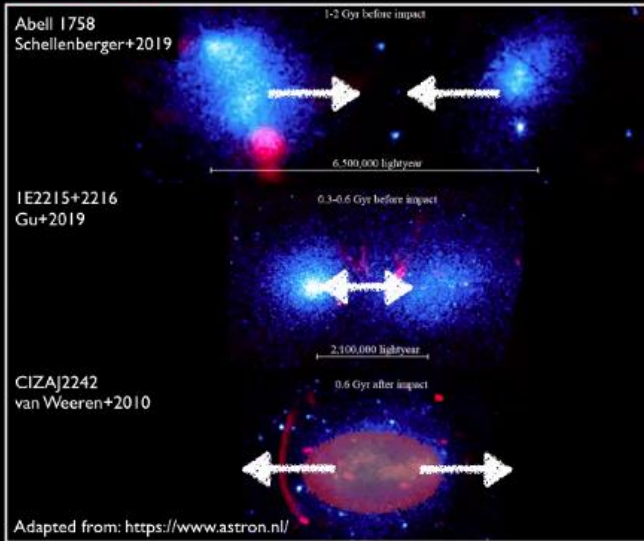


Position angle of linearly-polarized radiation rotates as it traverses magnetized region

- Rotation angle $\chi = \int n_e \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l}$
- Formally: different propagation speeds for Ordinary and eXtraordinary modes

Cosmic Structure Formation and Particle Acceleration

X-ray: thermal gas
Radio: CRs + magnetic field



- Two clusters ($M \sim 10^{14} M_{\odot}$) fall towards each other ...

- Collide with speeds > 1000 km/s
- Merge on time scale ~ 1 Gyr

Ricker & Sarazin 2001

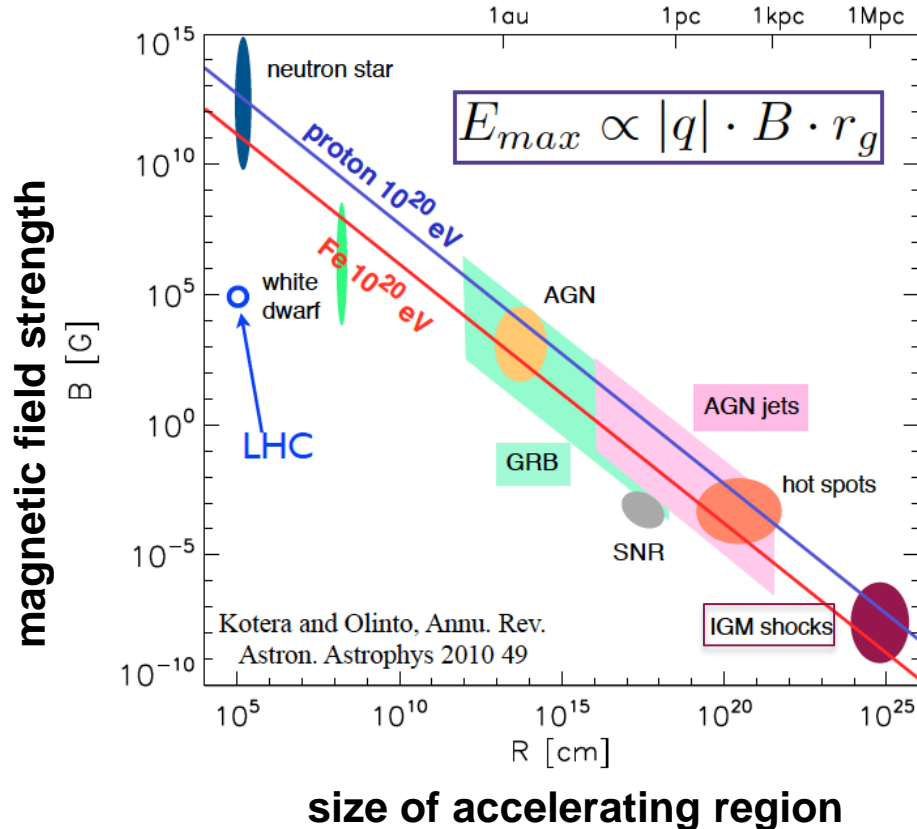
- As two clusters pass through each other, significant energy ($\sim 10^{63}$ ergs) injected into intracluster medium (ICM)

- large-scale bulk disturbances,
- fast-travelling shocks, and
- cluster-wide turbulence

Stroe et al. 2020

- Fantastic site for particle acceleration!

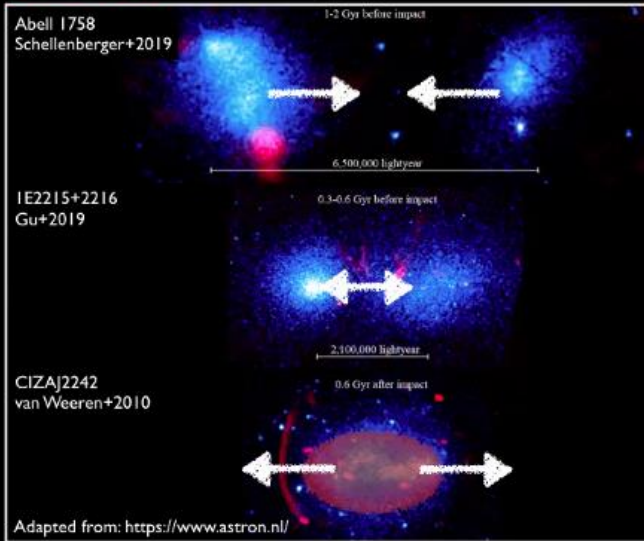
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- **Maximum energy of accelerated particle depends on**
 - charge (q);
 - magnetic field strength (B);
 - and
 - size of accelerating region
- **Intercluster or intergalactic medium is fantastic site for (ultra-)high energy CR acceleration!**
 Correct? Maybe?

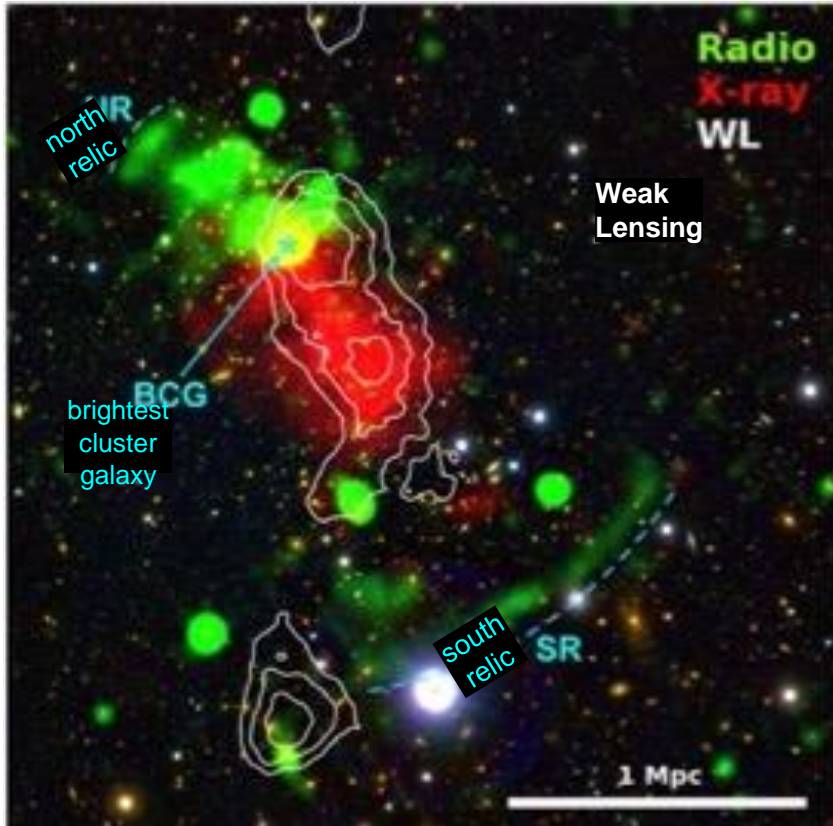
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- Ample indications of CR electrons, as traced by (long-wavelength) radio emission in (energetic) merging clusters
 - Also injection from active galactic nuclei jets
- “The first clear detection of high-energy γ -ray emission from a galaxy cluster will undoubtedly constrain the baryonic particle content as well as the uncertainty in the estimates of the magnetic field, and consequently enable vastly improved modeling of galaxy clusters over the entire electromagnetic spectrum.” (Atwood et al., “The Large Area Telescope on the Fermi Gamma-Ray Space Telescope Mission”)

Cosmic Structure Formation and Particle Acceleration



ZWCL 1447.2+2619

- Merging clusters
- Northeast-southwest orientation
- Simulations guided by weak-lensing mass constraints

Potentially have made first pass, and are just starting to fall together again