

# GRBs, UHECRs, and the IGMF



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Critical review of the hypothesis that GRBs are the sources of the UHECRs



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### **Acceptable UHECR source candidates**



- 2. Mechanism to accelerate to ultra-high energies acceleration region smaller than Larmor radius (Hillas condition)
- 3. Adequate energy production rate within GZK volume
- 4. Sources within GZK radius
- 5. UHECRs can escape from acceleration region

Electromagnetic signatures of UHECRs



The goal of identifying hadronic signatures in the high-energy spectra of GRBs is ambiguous, and leptonic emission models are energetically favored.

Neutrino signatures of UHECRs in GRBs Waiting...

#### Intergalactic Magnetic Field Constraints from Auger Observations



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### 2. Mechanism to accelerate to ultra-high energies



**Requirement to accelerate to ultra-high energies by Fermi processes:** 

$$\Rightarrow E_{\max} \approx \left(\frac{Ze}{\Gamma}\right) \sqrt{\frac{2L}{c}} \times Factor (<1)$$

$$\Rightarrow L_{\gamma} > \frac{3 \times 10^{45}}{Z^2} \Gamma^2 \left(\frac{E}{10^{20} eV}\right) erg \ s^{-1}$$

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## $\mathbf{L} - \Gamma$ diagram

- Bulk Lorentz factor Γ from γγ opacity arguments
- Sources with jet Lorentz factor Γ must have jet power L exceeding heavy solid and dot-dashed curves to accelerate p and Fe respectively, to E = 10<sup>20</sup> eV
- □ GRBs can easily accelerate p and Fe to >10<sup>20</sup> eV



### 3. Energy Production Rate within GZK Volume



## Luminosity Density from Long GRB Observations

(Nonthermal) Luminosity density  $\ell$  (energy/ time/ volume)

0.6 (Wanderman & Piran 2010; 1 keV – 1 MeV)

□ Mean GRB flux  $\phi$ 

$$\phi(>20 \, keV) \approx 0.0075 \, erg \, cm^{-2} \, yr^{-1}$$

BATSE data for long GRBs

$$\Rightarrow \ell \approx \frac{H_0}{c} \phi \approx 10^{43} \, erg \, Mpc^{-3} \, yr^{-1}$$



□ GRB flux  $\phi$  at Fermi/LAT energies only

$$\Rightarrow \ell pprox 10^{42} \ erg \ Mpc^{-3} \ yr^{-1}$$
 (Eichler et al. 2010)



#### Luminosity Density of UHECR Candidates from Fermi Data

GRBs have adequate energy production rate only if baryon loading large (Fermi data favors ion acceleration by BL Lacs/FR1 radio galaxies)

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## 4. Sources within the GZK Radius

- □ Local GRB rate density  $\approx$  (0.5 x 75) Gpc<sup>-3</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup> (Guetta et al. 2005)  $\approx$  10 Gpc<sup>-3</sup> yr<sup>-1</sup> (Le & Dermer 2007)
  - ∴ GRB rate within GZK radius (≈100 Mpc): ~0.1 yr<sup>-1</sup> GRB rate within GZK radius with jets pointing towards us: ~10<sup>-3</sup> $\theta_{-1}^2$  yr<sup>-1</sup>

□ Deflection of 10<sup>20</sup> E<sub>20</sub> eV particles by 
$$\theta_{dfl} \cong \frac{d}{2r_L \sqrt{N_{inv}}} < 10^{-6} \frac{ZB_{-15} d_{100}}{E_{20}}$$

in an Intergalactic Magnetic Field (IGMF)  $B_{IGMF} = 10^{-15}B_{-15}$  G

$$\Box \quad \text{Arrival times extended by} \quad \Delta t \approx \frac{d}{6c} \theta_{dfl}^2 \approx 400 \frac{Z^2 B_{-15}^2 d_{100}^3}{E_{20}^2 N_{inv}} s$$

To extend arrival times over ~10<sup>5</sup> yr, require  $B_{-15} > 10^5 \frac{E_{20} \sqrt{N_{inv}}}{Zd_{100}^{3/2}}$ 

#### For UHECR/GRB hypothesis to be viable, B<sub>IGMF</sub>(nG) > 0.1/Z

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# Implications of Weak IGMF

- □ Model of UHECRs from GRBs not viable for weak IGMF
- Claims of Neronov & Vovk (2010), Tavecchio et al. (2010a,b) based on assumption about the constancy of TeV flux of blazars

(paper with Cavadini, Razzaque, Finke, Lott, in prepartion)

- □ Ando & Kusenko (2010) parameters contrary to spectral model
- ∴ if B<sub>IGMF</sub>(G) > 0.1 nG/Z, GRB model of UHECR origin remains viable B<sub>IGMF</sub>(G) < few nG/Z for clustering</p>

Fine tuning?



## **5. UHECR escape from acceleration region**

Depends on composition

1. If p-dominated, claimed by HiRes

Neutral beam model (Atoyan & Dermer 2003)

2. If Fe-dominated, claimed by Auger (at  $\approx 4 \times 10^{19} \text{ eV}$ )

Impulsive production makes cosmic ray shock

Escape from source region without photodisintegration





Evidence favors (radio-loud) AGN hypothesis for UHECR origin