

# The Streaming Instability: a review

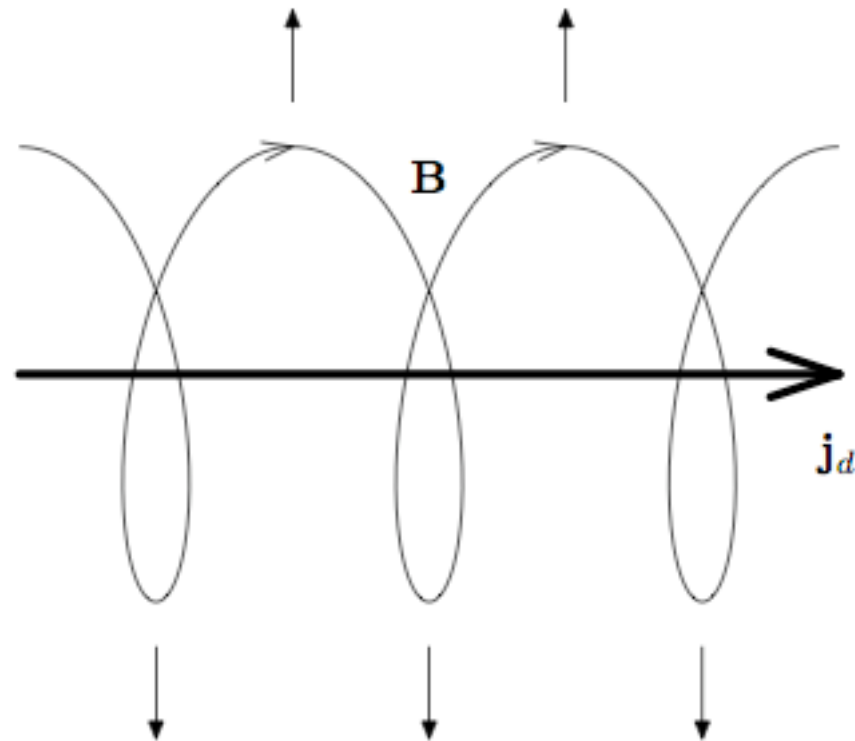
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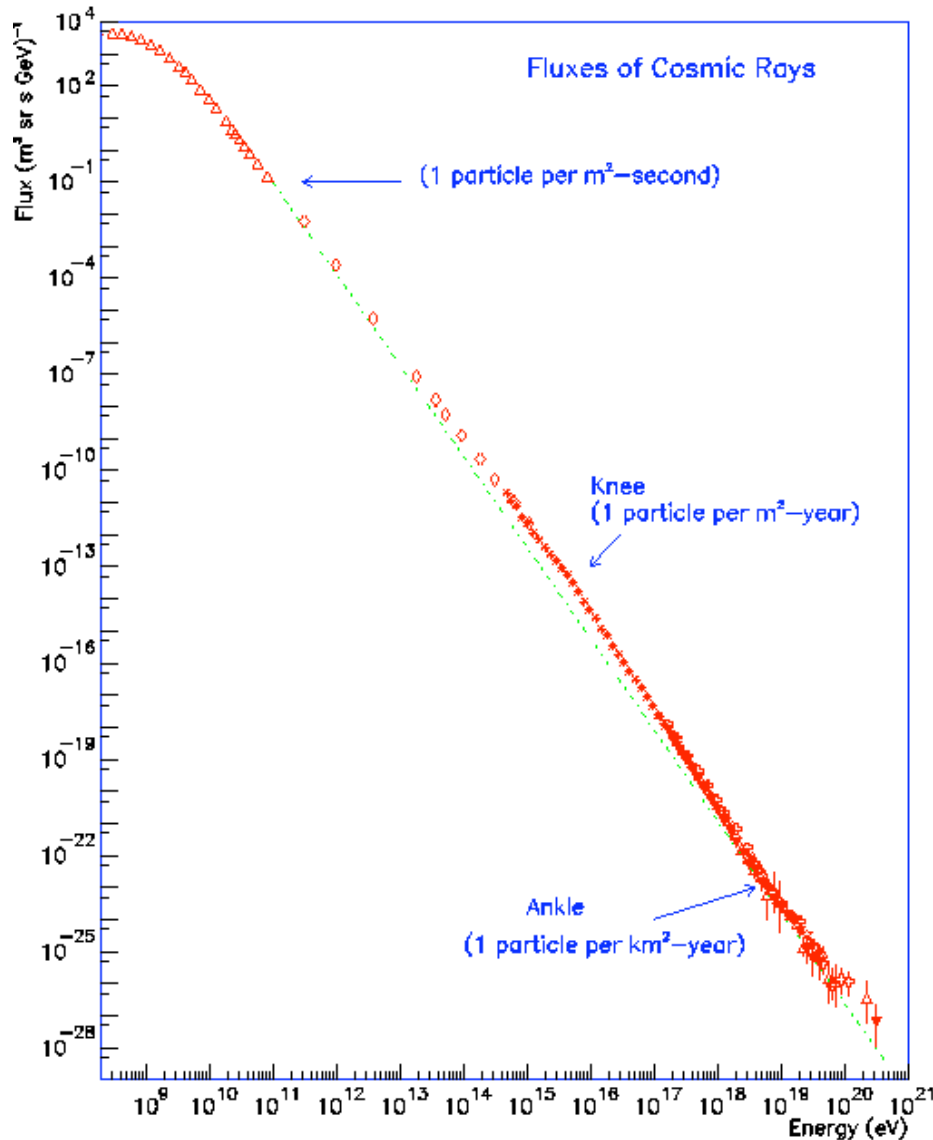
# Outline

- **Why the streaming instability is interesting for the CR community**
- **What is it?**
  - Interactions between streaming particles and Alfvén waves
  - pitch angle scattering and wave growth
- **Resonant streaming instability**
  - The problem of CR confinement in the Galaxy
- **Non-resonant streaming instability**
  - The problem of CR acceleration up to the “knee”
- **Conclusions**

# Whence the interest for streaming instabilities



# CR acceleration



Spectrum  $N(E) \propto E^{-p}$

$p=2.7$   $10 < E_{\text{GeV}} < 3 \times 10^6$

$p=3.1$   $E_{\text{GeV}} > 3 \times 10^6$

Galactic origin of CRs up to the knee

CR density:  $n_{\text{CR}} \sim 10^{-9} \text{cm}^{-3}$

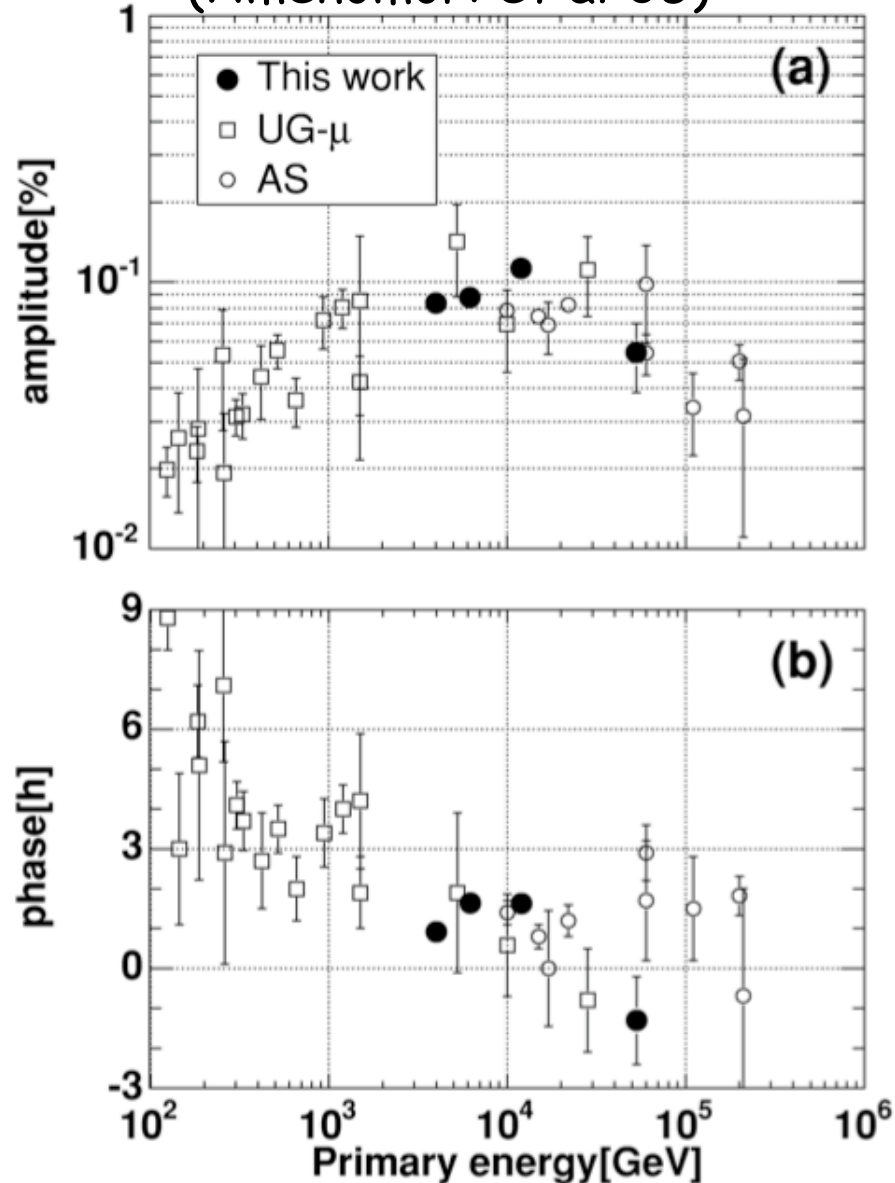
CR luminosity:  $L_{\text{CR}} \sim 3 \times 10^{40} \text{erg s}^{-1}$

**SNRs best candidate**  
sources on energetic grounds with  
10% efficiency

Best candidate mechanism  
**Diffusive Shock Acceleration**  
(Krymsky 77, Bell 78)  
but efficient scattering is needed

# CR confinement

(Amenomori et al 05)



Anisotropy  $\delta \sim 3 \times 10^{-4}$

$T_{\text{conf}} \sim 2 \times 10^7 \text{ yr}$  at  $\sim 1 \text{ GeV}$

$T_{\text{conf}} \propto E^{-\alpha}$

$\alpha \sim 0.3 - 0.6$   $E > 1 - 10 \text{ GeV}$

CRs are generated in violent events and then they should stream with

$v_d \sim c$

With  $N$  sources  $v_d \sim c/N^{1/2}$

$\delta \approx 3 \times 10^{-4} \Rightarrow v_d \approx 50 \text{ km/s}$

Exceedingly large  $N$

Again

Effective scattering required

# Going back to the '70s

Efficient acceleration and confinement  
require efficient scattering

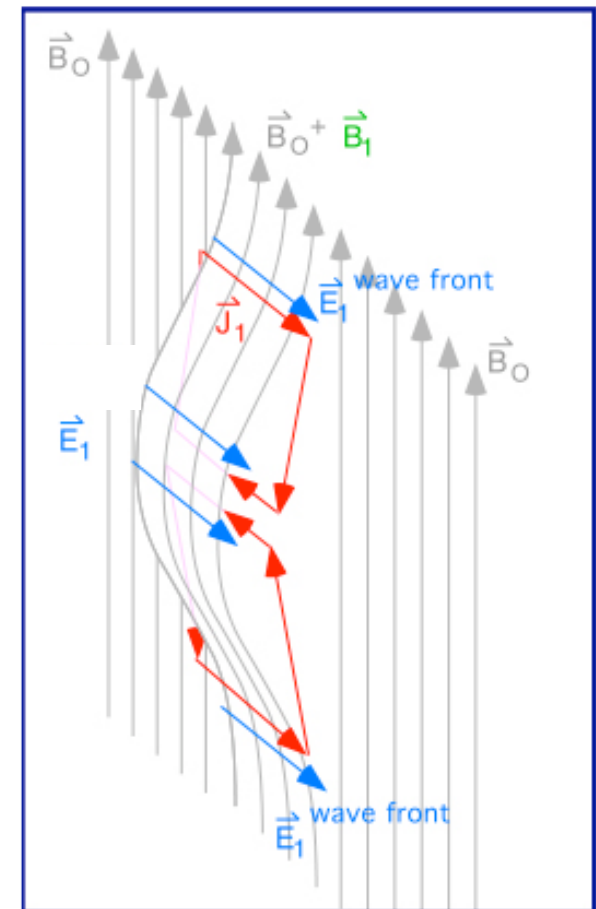
- Coulomb collisions with the gas not an option
- Scattering by large scale moving B field inhomogeneities (Fermi 49): energetic problems

## Resonant scattering in a static B field

energy stays constant  
only direction of velocity changes

### Alfvén waves

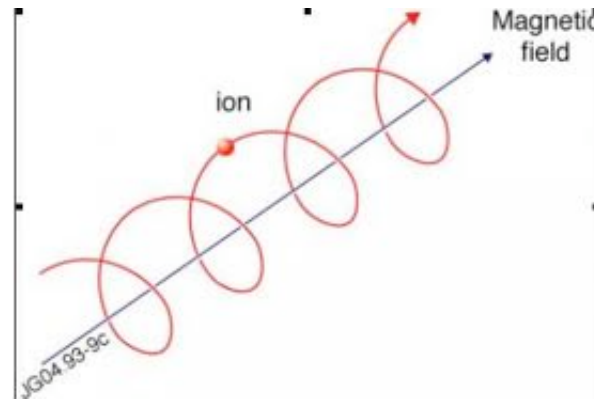
(Axford, Bell, Cesarsky, Jokipii, Kulsrud, Parker, Skilling, Wentzel)



# Interaction of a cosmic ray with an Alfvén wave

$$\begin{cases} \vec{B}_0 = B_0 \vec{z} \\ \delta \vec{B}_\perp = \delta B \sin(kz - \omega t) \vec{x} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} z(t) = z_0 + v_z t \\ v_y = v_\perp \sin(\Omega t + \varphi) \end{cases}$$



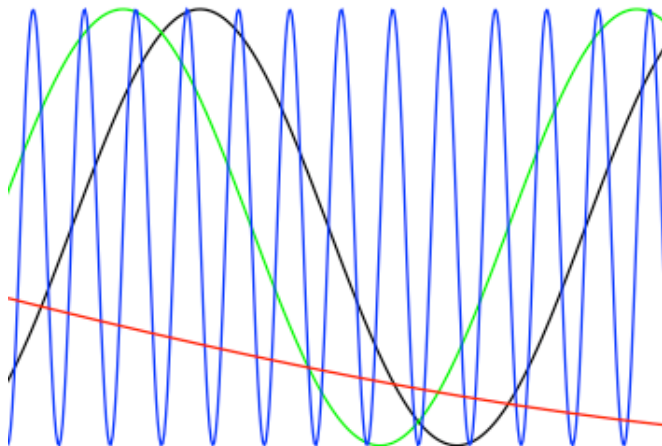
$$\Delta p_z = e \int_0^\tau dt \left( \frac{\vec{v} \wedge \vec{B}}{c} \right)_z$$

$$\tau = \frac{2\pi}{kv_z - \omega}$$

$$\left( \vec{v} \wedge \vec{B} \right)_z = \frac{v_\perp \delta B}{2} \left\{ \cos[(kv_z - \omega + \Omega)t + (kz_0 + \varphi)] - \cos[(kv_z - \omega - \Omega)t + (kz_0 - \varphi)] \right\}$$

High freq

Low freq



Interaction most effective at resonance

$$\lambda \sim r_L$$

$$kv_z - \omega = k(v_z - v_A) \approx kv_z \approx \Omega = \frac{eB_0}{m\gamma c}$$

$$\Delta p_z = \pi p_\perp \left( \frac{\delta B}{B_0} \right) \cos \Phi$$

# Pitch angle scattering and isotropy of CRs

$$\Delta p_z = \pi p_{\perp} \left( \frac{\delta B}{B_0} \right) \cos \Phi \quad \begin{cases} p_z = p \cos \vartheta \\ p_{\perp} = p \sin \vartheta \end{cases} \quad \Delta \vartheta = -\pi \left( \frac{\delta B}{B_0} \right) \cos \Phi$$

$$\langle \Delta \vartheta^2 \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \pi^2 \frac{t}{\tau} \left\langle \left( \frac{\delta B}{B_0} \right)^2 \right\rangle = t \frac{\pi}{4} \Omega \left\langle \left( \frac{\delta B}{B_0} \right)^2 \right\rangle$$

$$D_{\alpha} = \frac{\pi}{8} \Omega \left\langle \left( \frac{\delta B}{B_0} \right)^2 \right\rangle$$

Isotropy in the wave frame is reached in time  $T_{iso} \sim 1/D_{\alpha}$

$$T_{iso} \ll T_{conf} \Rightarrow (\delta B/B_0) \gg 10^{-10} E_{GeV}^{(1+\alpha)/2} \text{ at } \lambda \sim 10^{12} E_{GeV} \text{ cm}$$

If CRs are isotropic in the wave frame then  $v_d \sim v_A \sim 50 \text{ km/s}$   
and  $\delta \sim v_d/c \sim 1.5 \times 10^{-4}$

Associated  
spatial diffusion

$$\lambda_{mfp} = \frac{v}{2D_{\alpha}}$$

$$D_z = \frac{1}{3} v \lambda_{mfp} \approx \frac{v^2}{6D_{\alpha}} \quad D_{\perp} = D_z \left( \frac{r_L}{\lambda_{mfp}} \right)^2$$



# What makes the waves?

If CR are isotropized by the waves,  
there must be momentum transfer between CR and waves

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Before scattering: } P_{CR} = n_{CR} m \gamma_{CR} v_d \\ \text{After scattering: } P_{CR} = n_{CR} m \gamma_{CR} v_A \end{array} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{dP_{CR}}{dt} = \frac{n_{CR}^* m \gamma_{CR} (v_d - v_A)}{\tau}$$

$$\tau^{-1} = D_\alpha = \frac{\pi}{8} \Omega \left( \frac{\delta B}{B_0} \right)^2$$

Momentum has gone to the waves

$$\frac{dP_{CR}}{dt} = \frac{dP_w}{dt} = \frac{1}{v_A} \frac{dE_w}{dt} = \frac{1}{v_A} 2\gamma_w \frac{(\delta B)^2}{8\pi}$$

$$\gamma_w = \frac{\pi}{4} \frac{n_{CR}^*}{n_i} \Omega_0 \frac{(v_d - v_A)}{v_A}$$

with

$$n_{CR}^* = n_{CR} (p > eB/c k)$$

If there are seed Alfvén waves super-alfvenic streaming  
CRs make them unstable

# Formal Theory

- Take unperturbed distributions of CRs and background plasma
- Assume a small amplitude Alfvén wave perturbs them
- Find the perturbed distributions of CRs and background plasma
- Compute the currents
- Use them in linearized Maxwell's equations to compute how waves evolve in time

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \vec{\nabla} \wedge \vec{B} = \frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} + \frac{4\pi}{c} \vec{J} \\ \vec{\nabla} \wedge \vec{E} = -\frac{1}{c} \frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 \vec{E}}{\partial t^2} = -c^2 \vec{\nabla} \wedge (\vec{\nabla} \wedge \vec{E}) - 4\pi \frac{\partial \vec{J}}{\partial t}$$

For circularly polarized Alfvén waves ( $\mathbf{B} = B_0 \mathbf{z}$  and  $\mathbf{k} = k \mathbf{z}$ )

$$J_i = \sigma_{ij} E_j = \sum_s q_s \int d^3 p v_i^s f_1^s(\vec{p}) \quad \left[ \frac{c^2 k^2}{\omega^2} - 1 - \frac{4\pi i}{\omega} (\sigma_{xx} \pm i\sigma_{xy}) \right] = 0$$

# Unperturbed distribution functions

In a reference frame where CRs are isotropic

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} n_i + n_{CR} = n_e + n_{ec} \\ n_i v_D = n_e v_D \end{array} \right. \quad \text{Charge neutrality and no current} \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} n_i + n_{CR} = n_e \\ n_i v_D = n_e v_e \end{array} \right.$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} f_0^i = \frac{n_i}{2\pi p^2} \delta(p - m_i v_D) \delta(\mu - 1) \\ f_0^e = \frac{n_i}{2\pi p^2} \delta(p - m_e v_D) \delta(\mu - 1) \\ f_0^{ec} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{n_{CR}}{p^2} \delta(p) \\ f_0^{CR} = \frac{1}{4\pi} n_{CR} \Phi(p) \end{array} \right.$$

(e.g. Zweibel 03)

or

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} f_0^i = \frac{n_i}{p^2} \delta(p - m_i v_D) \delta(\mu - 1) \\ f_0^e = \frac{n_i + n_{CR}}{p^2} \delta(p - m_e v_D) \delta(\mu - 1) \\ f_0^{CR} = \frac{1}{2} n_{CR} \Phi(p) \end{array} \right.$$

(e.g. Achterberg 83)

Result is the same to order  $O[(n_{CR}/n_i)^2]$  (Amato & Blasi 09)

# Perturbed distribution functions

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{x}}(\vec{v}f) + \frac{\partial}{\partial \vec{p}} \left[ e \left( \vec{E} + \frac{\vec{v} \wedge \vec{B}}{c} \right) f \right] = 0$$

Vlasov Equation  
Continuity equation in momentum  
Phase space

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \vec{v} \cdot \frac{\partial f}{\partial \vec{x}} + e \left( \vec{E} + \frac{\vec{v} \wedge \vec{B}}{c} \right) \frac{\partial f}{\partial \vec{p}} = 0$$

$f$  is constant along the particle trajectory

$$-i\omega f_1 + ikv_z f_1 + \frac{e}{c} (\vec{v} \wedge \vec{B}_0) \cdot \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial \vec{p}} = -e \left[ \vec{E} + \frac{\vec{v} \wedge (\vec{k} \wedge \vec{E})}{\omega} \right] \cdot \frac{\partial f_0}{\partial \vec{p}}$$

For circularly polarized waves

$$\sigma = \frac{e^2}{2} \frac{4\pi}{\omega} \int dp_{\perp} p_{\perp} dp_z \frac{v_{\perp}}{\omega - kv_z \pm \Omega} \left[ \left( 1 - \frac{kv_z}{\omega} \right) \frac{\partial f_0}{\partial p_{\perp}} + \frac{kv_{\perp}}{\omega} \frac{\partial f_0}{\partial p_z} \right]$$

$$d\varphi dp_z dp_{\perp} p_{\perp} \rightarrow d\varphi d\mu dp p^2$$

$$\sigma = \frac{2\pi e^2}{\omega} \int_0^{\infty} dp \int_{-1}^1 d\mu \frac{p^2 v (1 - \mu^2)}{\omega - kv\mu \pm \Omega} \left[ \frac{\partial f_0}{\partial p} + \left( \frac{kv}{\omega} - \mu \right) \frac{1}{p} \frac{\partial f_0}{\partial \mu} \right]$$

# The CR response

$$\epsilon^{CR} = \frac{2\pi e^2}{\omega} \int_0^\infty dp \int_{-1}^1 d\mu \frac{p^2 v (1 - \mu^2)}{\cancel{\omega} - kv\mu \pm \Omega_i} \left[ \frac{\partial f_0}{\partial p} + \left( \frac{kv}{\omega} - \mu \right) \frac{1}{p} \frac{\partial f_0}{\partial \mu} \right]$$

$$\omega \approx kv_A \ll \Omega$$

$$\int_{-1}^1 d\mu \frac{(1 - \mu^2)}{-kv\mu \pm \Omega_i} = \underbrace{-i\pi \int_{-1}^1 d\mu (1 - \mu^2) \delta(-kv\mu \pm \Omega_i)}_{\text{Classical resonant part}} + \underbrace{\text{P} \int_{-1}^1 d\mu \frac{(1 - \mu^2)}{-kv\mu \pm \Omega_i}}_{\text{Non-resonant term}}$$

Classical resonant part

Non-resonant term

Resonant term is non-zero

only if

$$\frac{\Omega}{kv} \leq 1 \Leftrightarrow p \geq p_1 = \frac{eB_0}{ck}$$

$$\epsilon^{CR} = -\frac{4\pi e^2 n_{CR}}{\omega m_i \Omega_i^0} \left[ \frac{i\pi}{4} p_1 \int_{p_1}^\infty (p^2 - p_1^2) \frac{d\Phi}{dp} dp + \frac{P}{4} \int_0^\infty dp \int_{-1}^1 d\mu \frac{p^2 p_1 (1 - \mu^2)}{\mu \mp p_1 / p} \frac{d\Phi}{dp} \right]$$

# Resonant and non-resonant CRs

$$\varepsilon^{CR} = \frac{c^2}{v_A^2} \frac{\Omega_0}{\omega} \frac{n_{CR}}{n_i} (iI_{res} \mp I_{nr})$$

$$I_{res} = \frac{\pi}{2} \int_{p_1}^{\infty} dp p p_1 \Phi(p)$$

$$I_{nr}^{\pm} = \pm I_{nr}$$

$$I_{nr} = \frac{p_1}{4} \int_0^{\infty} dp \left[ (p^2 - p_1^2) \ln \left| \frac{1 + p/p_1}{1 - p/p_1} \right| + 2pp_1 \right] \frac{d\Phi}{dp}$$

$$\Phi(p) \propto p^{-\alpha}$$

$\alpha=4.7$  for CRs in the Galaxy

$\alpha=4$  for CRs at shocks

resonant term

$$I_{res}(k) = \frac{\pi}{2(\alpha - 2)} p_1^{3-\alpha} = \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{\alpha - 3}{\alpha - 2} \frac{n_{CR}^*}{n_{CR}}$$

$$n_{CR}^* = n_{CR} (p > eB_0 / ck)$$

Traditionally considered since the '70s

non-resonant term

$$I_{nr}(k) = -\frac{p_1^3}{2} \int_{s_{min}}^{s_{max}} ds s \Phi(s) \ln \left| \frac{1 + s}{1 - s} \right|$$

$$s = p / p_1$$

Its possible importance at large  $k$  first appreciated by Bell in 2004

# The plasma response

Cold plasma dispersion relation  
(e.g. Krall & Trivelpiece)

$$\epsilon^p = -\frac{4\pi e^2}{\omega^2} \frac{n_i}{m_i} \left[ \frac{\omega + kv_D}{\omega + kv_D \pm \Omega_i^0} + \frac{m_i}{m_e} \frac{\omega + kv_D}{\omega + kv_D \pm \Omega_e^0} + \frac{n_{CR}}{n_i} \frac{m_i}{m_e} \frac{\omega}{\omega \pm \Omega_e^0} \right]$$

Cold drifting ions
Cold drifting electrons
Cold isotropic electrons

$$\omega \ll \Omega_i^0 = -\frac{m_e}{m_i} \Omega_e^0 \ll |\Omega_e^0|$$

$$\epsilon^p = \mp \frac{4\pi e^2}{\omega^2} \frac{n_i}{m_i} \left[ (\omega + kv_D) \frac{1}{\Omega_i^0} \left( \mp \frac{\omega + kv_D}{\Omega_i^0} + \frac{m_i}{m_e} \frac{\Omega_i^0}{\Omega_e^0} \left( \mp \frac{\omega + kv_D}{\Omega_e^0} \right) \right) + \frac{n_{CR}}{n_i} \frac{m_i}{m_e} \frac{\omega}{\Omega_e^0} \right]$$

In low freq. waves the plasma sets in **E x B** drift: no net current

$$\epsilon^p = \frac{4\pi e^2}{\omega^2 (\Omega_i^0)^2} \frac{n_i}{m_i} \left[ (\omega + kv_D)^2 \pm \frac{n_{CR}}{n_i} \omega \Omega_i^0 \right] = \frac{c^2}{\omega^2 v_A^2} \left[ (\omega + kv_D)^2 \pm \frac{n_{CR}}{n_i} \omega \Omega_i^0 \right]$$

# The full dispersion relation

$$\epsilon^P = \frac{c^2}{\omega^2 v_A^2} \left[ (\omega + kv_D)^2 \pm \frac{n_{CR}}{n_i} \omega \Omega_i^0 \right]$$

$$\epsilon^{CR} = \frac{c^2}{v_A^2} \frac{\Omega_0}{\omega} \frac{n_{CR}}{n_i} (iI_{res} \pm I_{nr})$$

$$\frac{c^2 k^2}{\omega^2} = \cancel{1} + \frac{c^2 (\omega + kv_D)^2}{\omega^2 v_A^2} + \frac{c^2}{v_A^2} \frac{\Omega_0}{\omega} \frac{n_{CR}}{n_i} (iI_{res} \pm (I_{nr} + 1))$$

res CRs
Compensating electrons

non-res CRs

Move to the lab frame  $\omega' = \omega + kv_D$

$$v_A^2 k^2 = \omega^2 + \Omega_0 (\omega - kv_D) \frac{n_{CR}}{n_i} (iI_{res} \pm (1 + I_{nr}))$$

(Zweibel03, Bell 04, Amato & Blasi 09)

Lower sign corresponds to right-hand circular polarization

Electric field rotation is clockwise ( $\mathbf{E} = E(\mathbf{e}_x + i\mathbf{e}_y)$ )

Here is where the non-resonant term becomes important

But when will it become important?



# Propagation in the ISM

$$v_A^2 k^2 = \omega^2 + \Omega_0 (\omega - kv_D) \frac{n_{CR}}{n_i} (iI_{res} \pm (1 + I_{nr}))$$

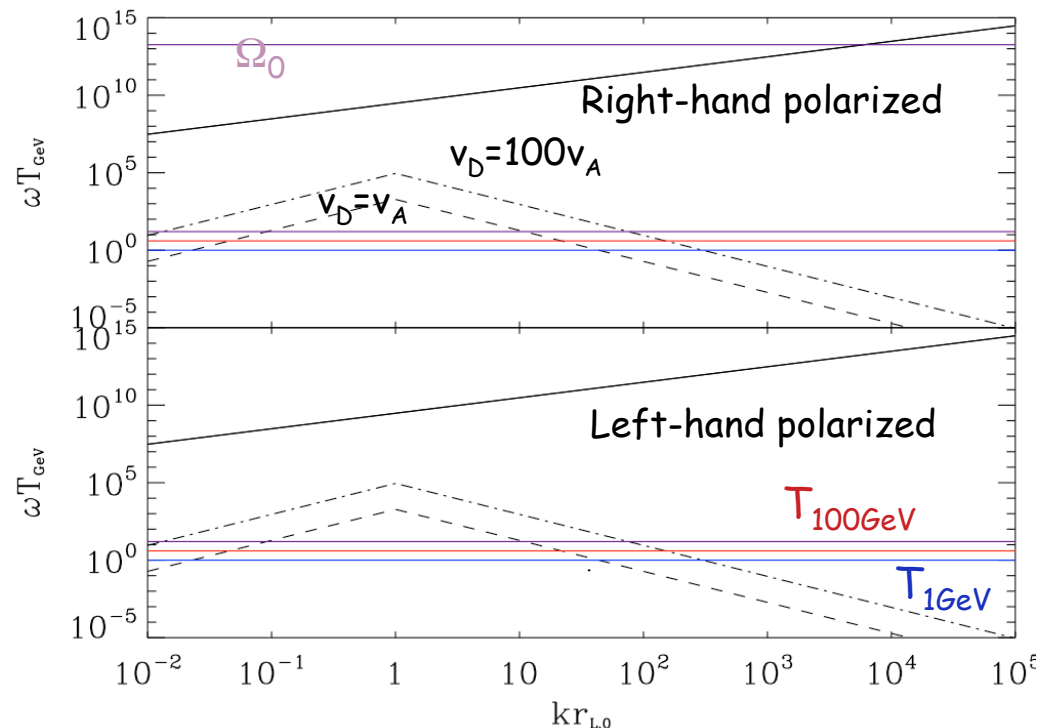
In the ISM CR density:  $n_{CR} \sim 10^{-9} \text{cm}^{-3}$  and  $v_D \sim v_A$

Perturbation will be small  $\omega = kv_A + \omega_1$

$$\omega_1 = -\frac{\Omega_0}{2} \left(1 - \frac{v_D}{v_A}\right) \frac{n_{CR}}{n_i} (iI_{res} \pm (1 + I_{nr}))$$

$$\begin{cases} \text{Re}(\omega_1) \ll kv_A \\ \Gamma_g = \text{Im}(\omega) = -\frac{\Omega_0}{4\pi} \left(1 - \frac{v_D}{v_A}\right) \frac{n_{CR} (p > eB_0 / ck)}{n_i} \end{cases}$$

- ✓ Left and right hand polarized modes are identical
- ✓ Non-resonant instability is irrelevant
- ✓ Growth rates are fast enough for isotropization if no damping



# Wave damping

(Wentzel 74)

In partially neutral ISM damping due to ion-neutral collisions

$$\Gamma_d = -Rn_H,$$
$$\frac{1}{R} \approx 5 \left( \frac{T}{10^3 K} \right)^{-0.4} \text{ yr cm}^{-3}$$

(Kulsrud & Cesarsky 71)

$$\Gamma_d = \Gamma_g$$

↓

$$v_D = v_A + Rn_H \frac{n_i}{n_{CR}^*} \frac{v_A}{\Omega_0} \approx v_A + 100 \left( \frac{p}{mc} \right)^{1.7} \left( \frac{T}{10^3 K} \right)^{0.4} \left( \frac{n_H}{0.1 \text{ cm}^{-3}} \right) \text{ km/s}$$

100 GeV CRs too fast,  $T_{\text{conf}} \propto E^{-1.7}$

In fully ionized ISM damping due to wave-wave interactions  
(Non-linear Landau damping)

$$\Gamma_d = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{8} \frac{v_i}{c} \left( \frac{\delta B}{B_0} \right)^2 \Omega \propto \left( \frac{n_{CR}^*}{LB_0} \right)^{1/2}$$
$$v_D = v_A + \alpha_{NL} \frac{n_i}{n_{CR}^*} \left( \frac{n_{CR}^*}{LB_0} \right)^{1/2} = v_A + 55 \left( \frac{100 \text{ pc}}{L} \right)^{1/2} \left( \frac{p}{mc} \right)^{0.85} \text{ km/s}$$

(Cesarsky & Kulsrud 81)

100 GeV CRs still too fast,  $T_{\text{conf}} \propto E^{-0.85}$

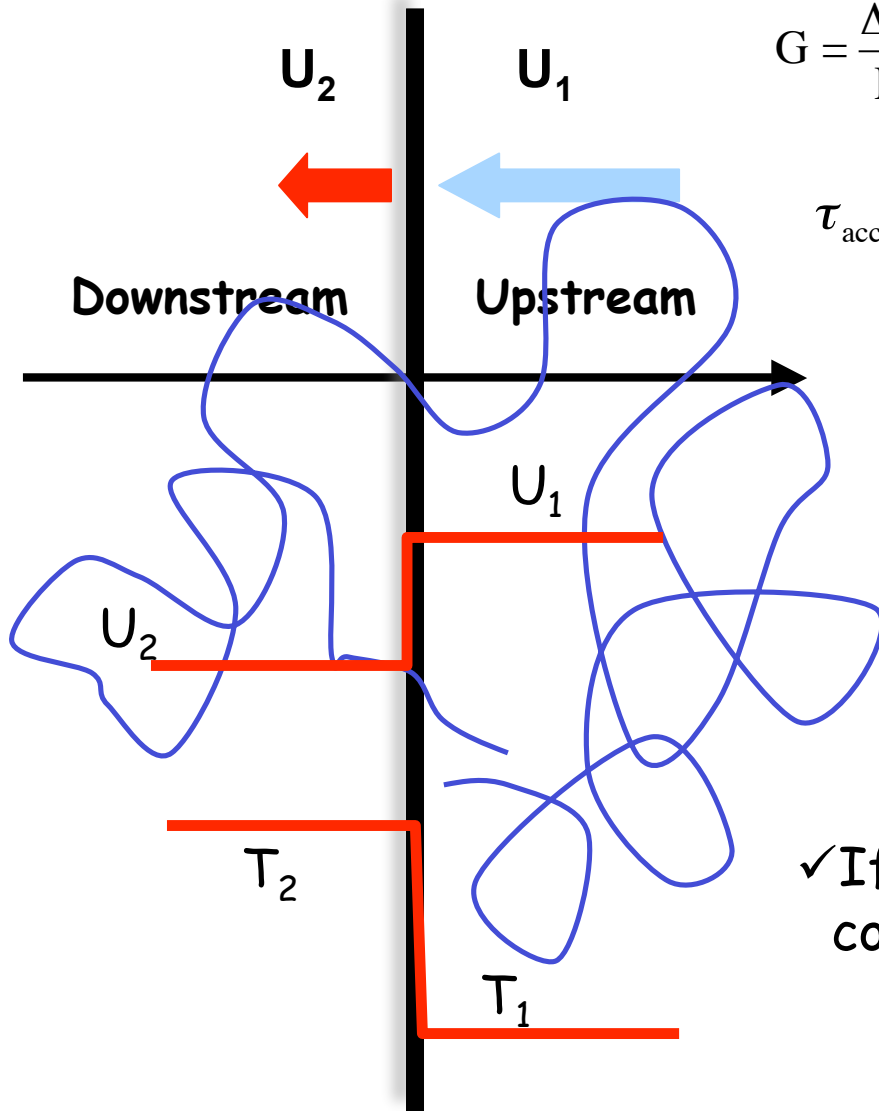
Observations + Theory hint at  $T_{\text{conf}} \propto E^{-1/3}$  (Kolmogorov type turbulence)

(Blasi & Amato, submitt., Ptuskin et al, 06)

Much more in Ptuskin's talk

# Shock Acceleration

How do we get CRs accelerated up to the knee?



$$G = \frac{\Delta E}{E} = \frac{4}{3}(u_1 - u_2)$$

$$T_{\text{acc}}(E_{\text{max}}) = \min(T_{\text{age}}, T_{\text{loss}})$$

$$\tau_{\text{acc}} = \frac{3}{U_1 - U_2} \left\{ \frac{D_1}{U_1} + \frac{D_2}{U_2} \right\} \quad \text{High } E_{\text{max}} \text{ only if efficient scattering}$$

Pitch angle scattering implies spatial diffusion

$$D_{\alpha} = \frac{\pi}{8} \Omega \left\langle \left( \frac{\delta B}{B_0} \right)^2 \right\rangle$$

$$D(p) = \frac{c^2}{6D_{\alpha}} = \frac{4}{3\pi} \left( \frac{B_0}{\delta B} \right)^2 cr_L$$

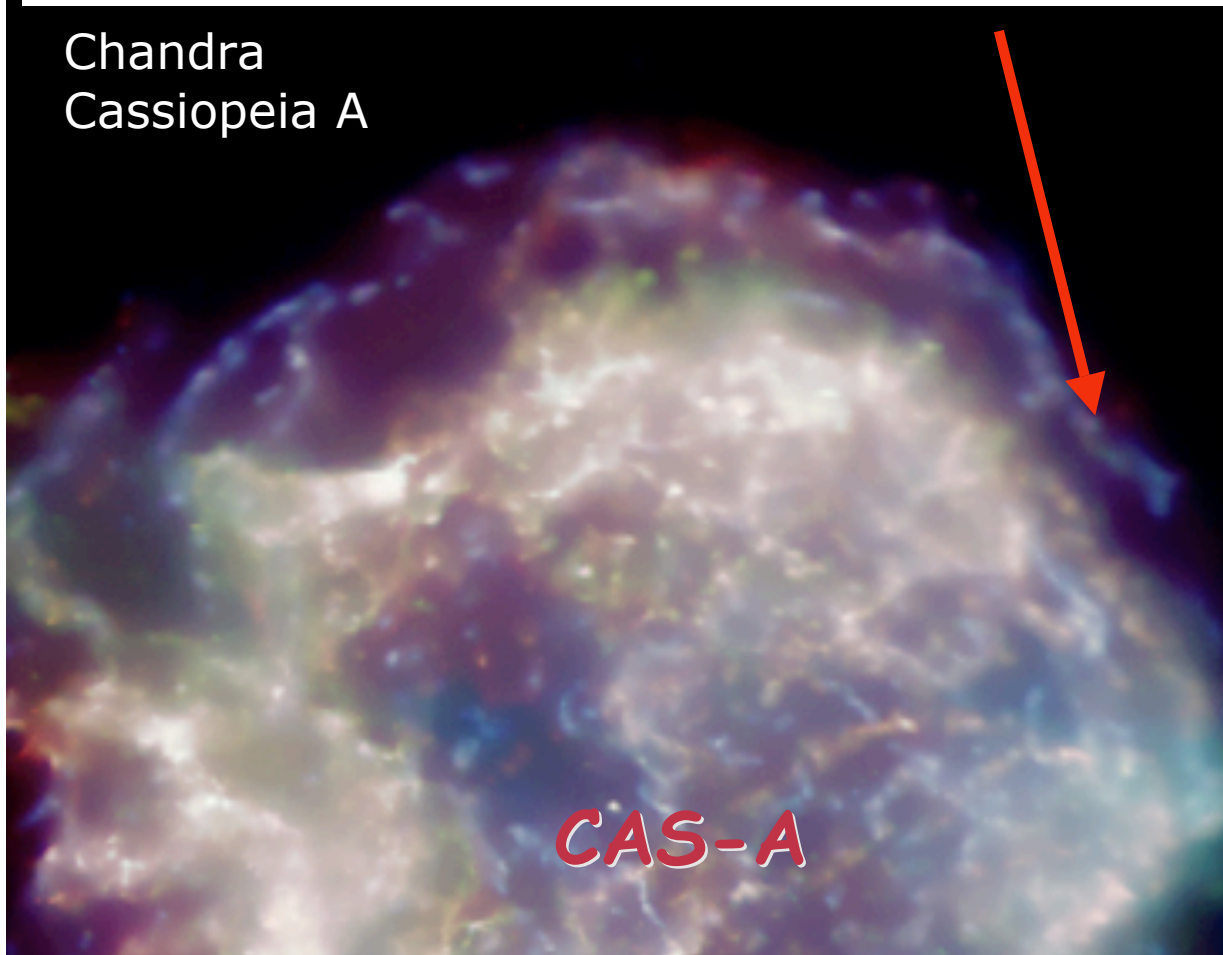
✓ If  $\delta B$  is the same responsible for CR confinement in the Galaxy  $E_{\text{max}} \sim \text{GeV}$

✓ If  $\delta B \sim B_0$ ,  $E_{\text{max}} \sim 10^4 - 10^5 \text{ GeV}$   
(Lagage & Cesarsky 83)

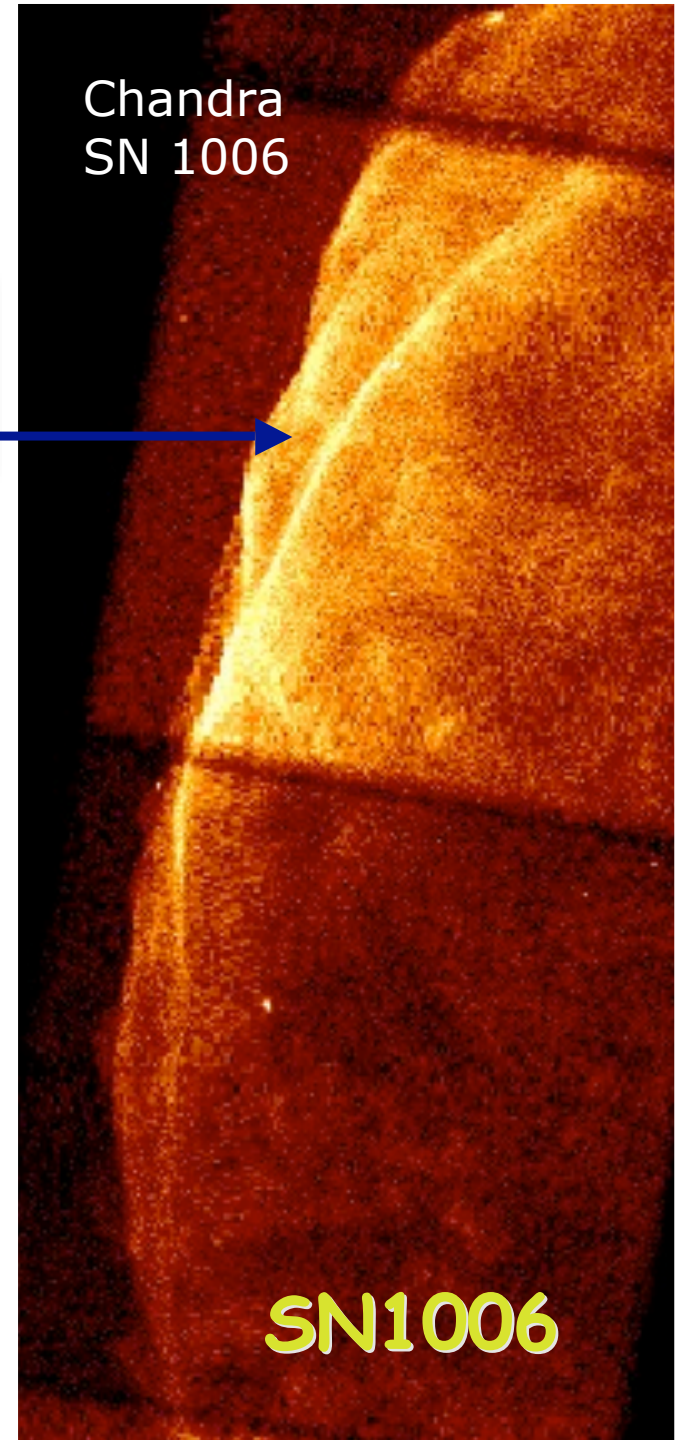
# Hints from Observations

Detection of amplified B fields in SNRs:  $B \sim 100 \mu\text{G}$

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Cassiopeia A



Chandra  
SN 1006



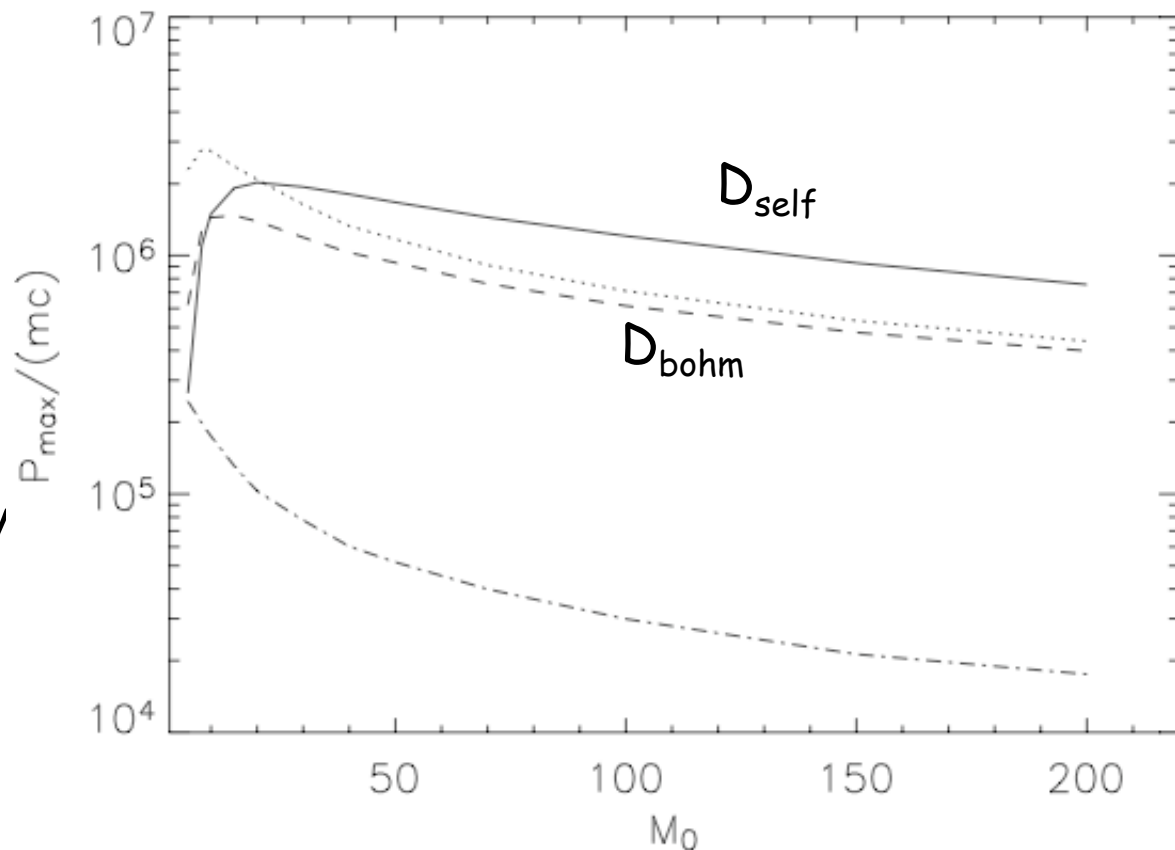
# $E_{\max}$ with resonant modes alone

If you are not afraid of applying quasi-linear theory even for  $\delta B \gg B_0$

$$\left(\frac{\delta B_{res}}{B_0}\right)^2 = 2 \frac{v_D}{v_A} \frac{P_{CR}}{n_i m_i v_D^2}$$

Modified shocks would be close to the knee at transition between Free expansion and Sedov

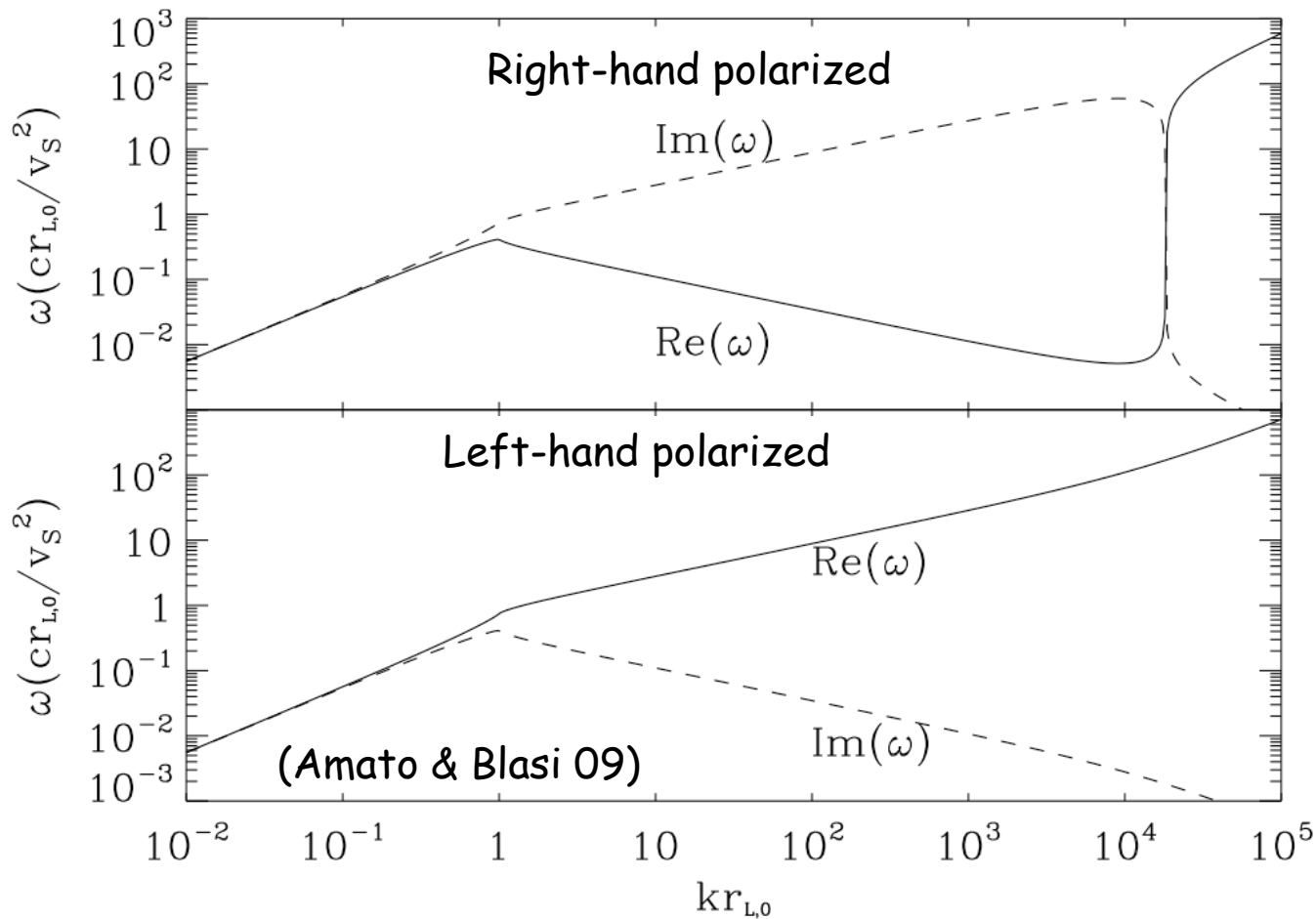
Blasi, Amato & Caprioli 2008



# Bell instability

$$v_A^2 k^2 = \omega^2 + \Omega_0 (\omega - kv_D) \frac{n_{CR}}{n_i} (iI_{res} \pm (1 + I_{nr}))$$

At SNR shocks  $B_0 \sim 1 \mu G$ ,  $\eta \sim 0.1$ ,  $v_S \sim 10^4 \text{ km/s}$



Strongly current driven regime

$$\frac{n_{CR}}{n_i} \frac{kv_S \Omega_0}{k^2 v_A^2} > 1$$

⇕

$$\frac{4\pi J_{CR}}{c} \frac{1}{kB_0} = \frac{k_c}{k} > 1$$

$$\Gamma_{nr} \gg \Gamma_{res}$$

$$k_c = \frac{4\pi J_{CR}}{cB_0}$$

# Existence of non-resonant modes

$$v_A^2 k^2 = \omega^2 - v_S \Omega_0 \frac{n_{CR}}{n_i} (ikI_{res} \pm k(1 + I_{nr}))$$

$\propto k^2$ 
 $\propto k^0$ 
 $\propto k$

$$kr_{L0} \gg 1 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} I_{res} \approx (\pi/4)/(kr_{L0}) \\ I_{nr} \approx -(1/3)(kr_{L0})^2 \end{cases}$$

$$k_1 r_{L0} = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{4} \frac{n_{CR}}{n_i} \frac{v_S c}{v_A^2}} \quad k_2 r_{L0} = \frac{n_{CR}}{n_i} \frac{v_S c}{v_A^2}$$

$$k_2 > k_1 \Leftrightarrow \frac{4\pi J_{CR}}{c} \frac{r_{L0}}{B_0} = k_c r_{L0} > \frac{\pi}{4}$$

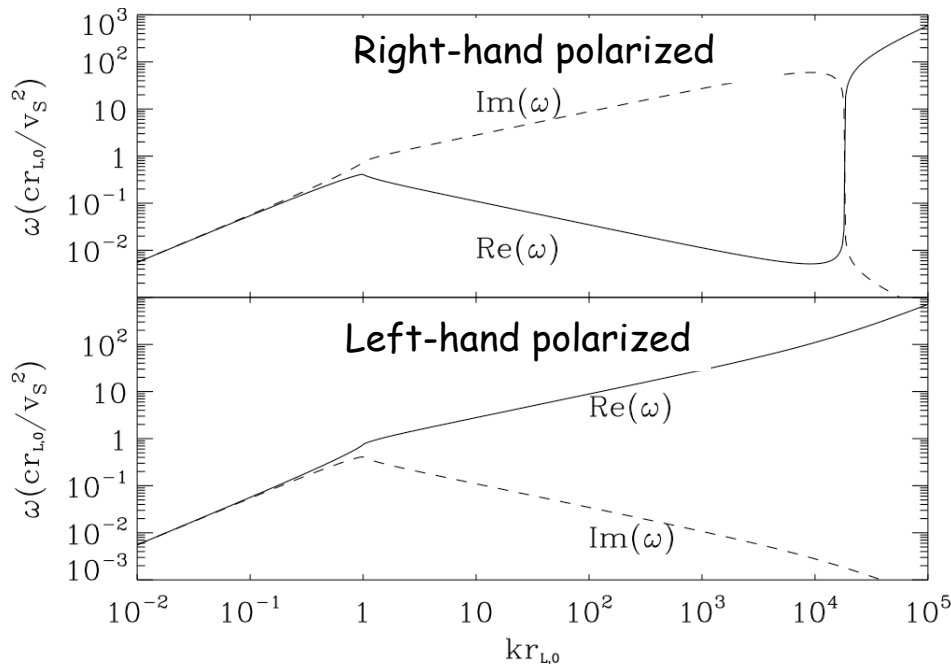
Also  $U_{CR}/U_B > c/v_D$

$$k_{\max} = \frac{k_2}{2} = \frac{k_c}{2} = \frac{4\pi J_{CR}}{2cB_0}$$

Large by definition

~ equilibrium between current and magnetic tension

$$\Gamma_{\max} = \Gamma\left(\frac{k_2}{2}\right) \approx v_A k_c$$

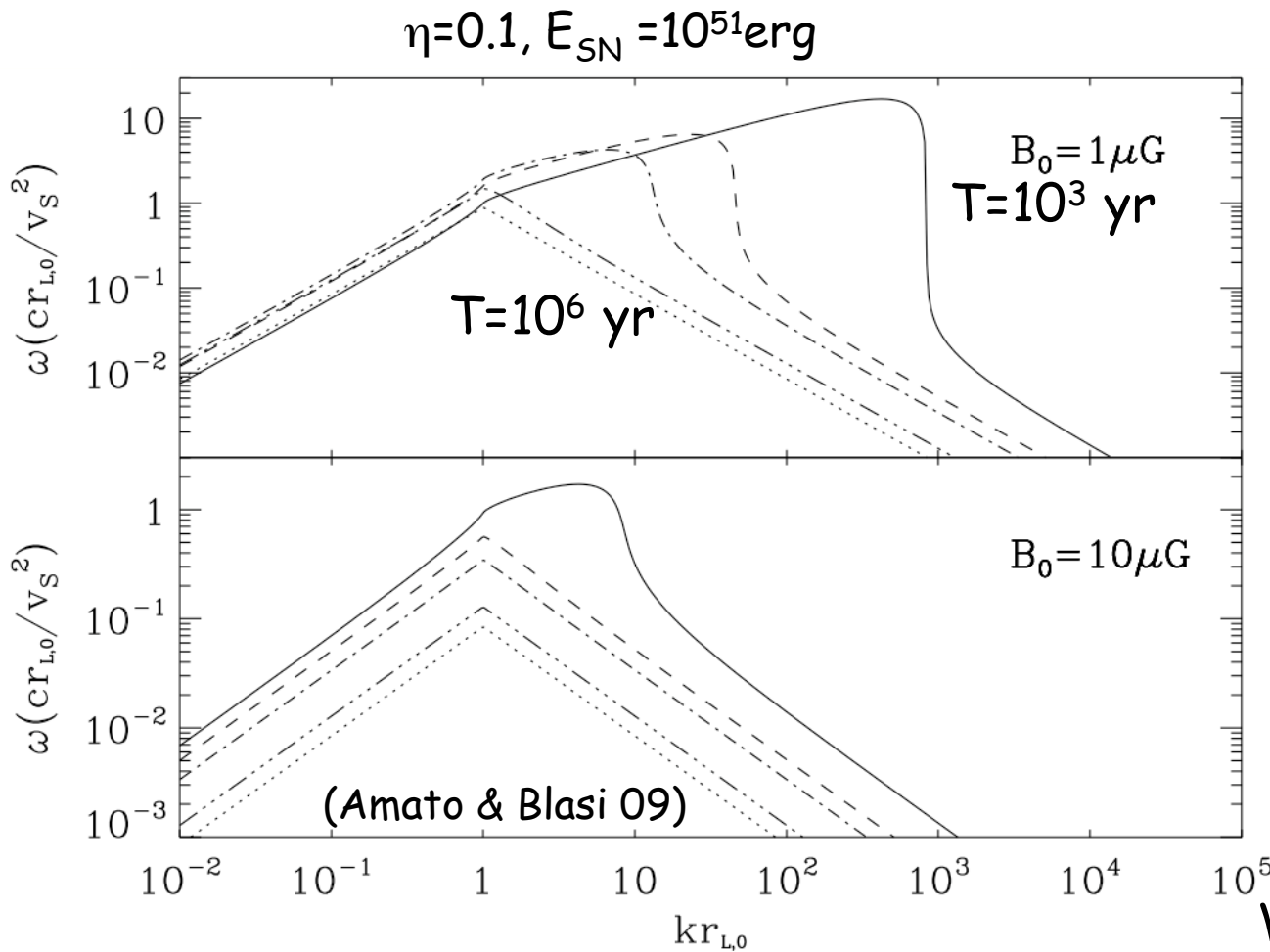




# Evolution with SNR age

During Sedov-Taylor evolution of a SNR

$$k_2 > k_1 \Leftrightarrow \frac{n_{CR}}{n_i} \frac{v_S c}{v_A^2} > \frac{\pi}{4}$$



After  $5 \times 10^3 - 10^4 \text{ yr}$   
The resonant mode disappears

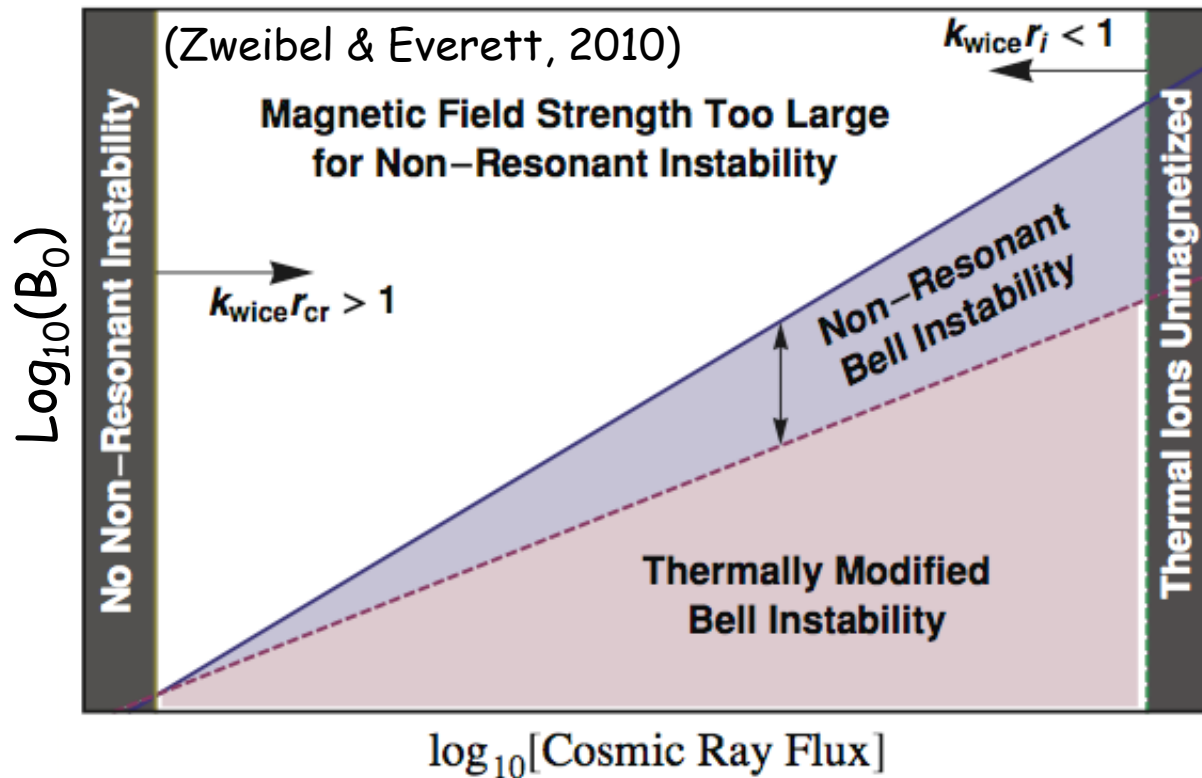
Earlier when the field is higher  
( $U_{CR}/U_B > c/v_D$ )

Bell modes could be Important  
at beginning of Sedov phase  
(see also Pelletier et al 06)

When is  $E_{\text{max}}$  reached?



# Where is it relevant?



## Cold ISM

$$n_i = 1 \text{ cm}^{-3}, T = 10^4 \text{ K}$$

$$v_S \sim 10^4 \text{ km/s}, n_{\text{CR}} \sim 10^{-5}$$

$$1 \mu\text{G} < B_0 < 87 \mu\text{G}$$

## Hot low density bubble

$$n_i = 3 \times 10^{-3} \text{ cm}^{-3}, T = 3 \times 10^6 \text{ K}$$

$$0.4 \mu\text{G} < B_0 < 4.7 \mu\text{G}$$

thermally modified

$\Gamma > 1/T_{\text{adv}}$  only for  $B_0 < 1.3 \mu\text{G}$

Increasing  $n_{\text{CR}}$  would help

Thermal ions modify dispersion relation  
(cyc. Res. + gyrovisc.)

$$\frac{n_{\text{CR}} v_D}{n_i v_i} > \left( \frac{v_A}{v_i} \right)^3 \quad \left( \text{to compare with } \frac{n_{\text{CR}} v_S C}{n_i v_A^2} > \frac{\pi}{4} \right)$$

$K_{\text{max}}$  and  $\Gamma_{\text{max}}$  determined by  $v_D$  vs finite  $r_L$

## Hot but denser bubble

$$n_i = 3 \times 10^{-2} \text{ cm}^{-3}, T = 3 \times 10^6 \text{ K}$$

$$1.2 \mu\text{G} < B_0 < 15 \mu\text{G}$$

$\Gamma > T_{\text{adv}}$  only for  $B_0 < 4.1 \mu\text{G}$

# Non-linear evolution

Numerical studies:

**MHD:** Bell 04,05; Reville et al 08, Zirakashvili et al 08

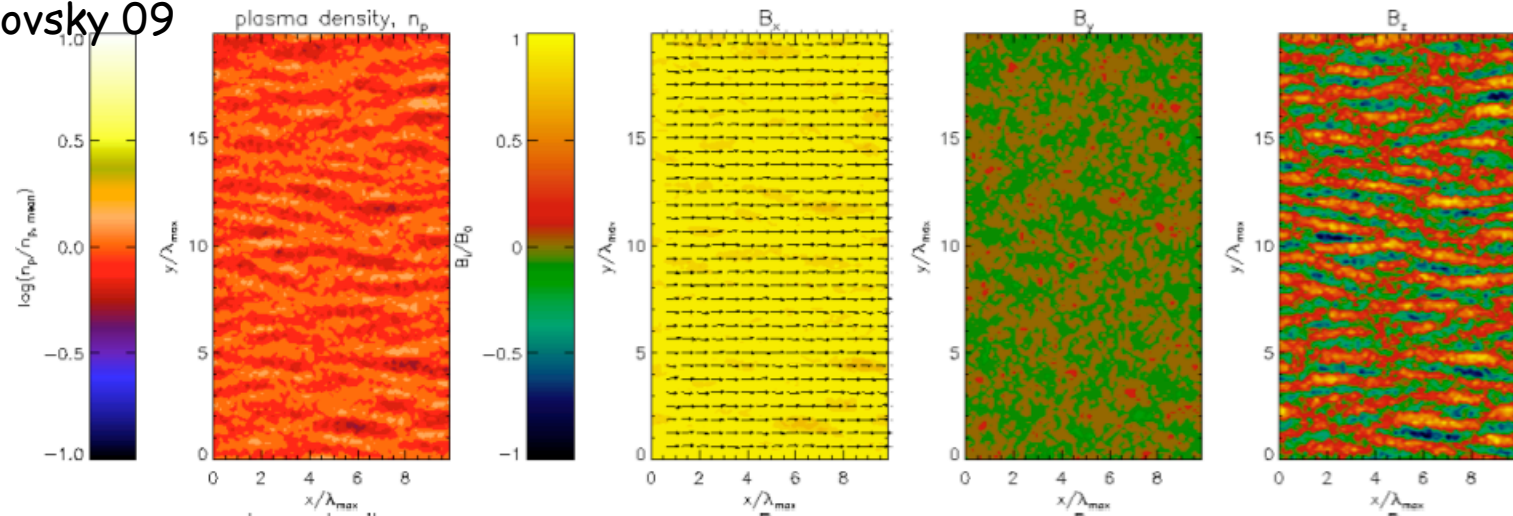
**PIC:** Niemec et al 08

Riquelme & Spitkovsky 09

Ohira et al 09

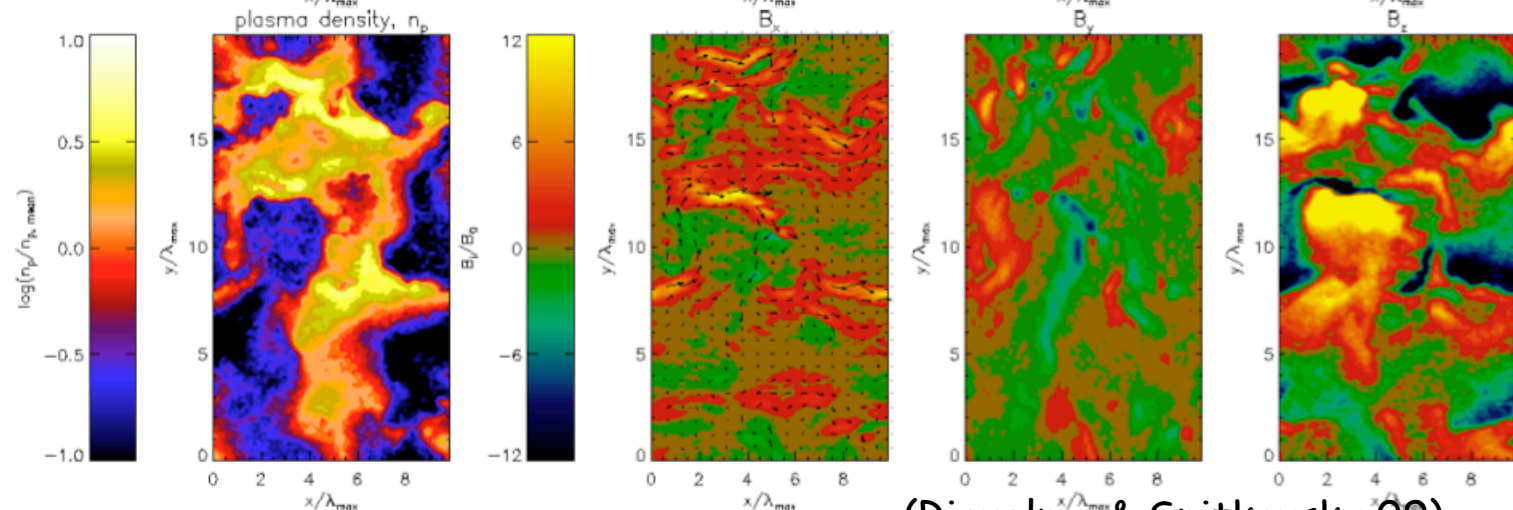
$$\frac{\delta B^2}{8\pi} = \frac{v_D}{c} U_{CR} \quad (\text{Bell 04})$$

$T=3/\Gamma_{\max}$



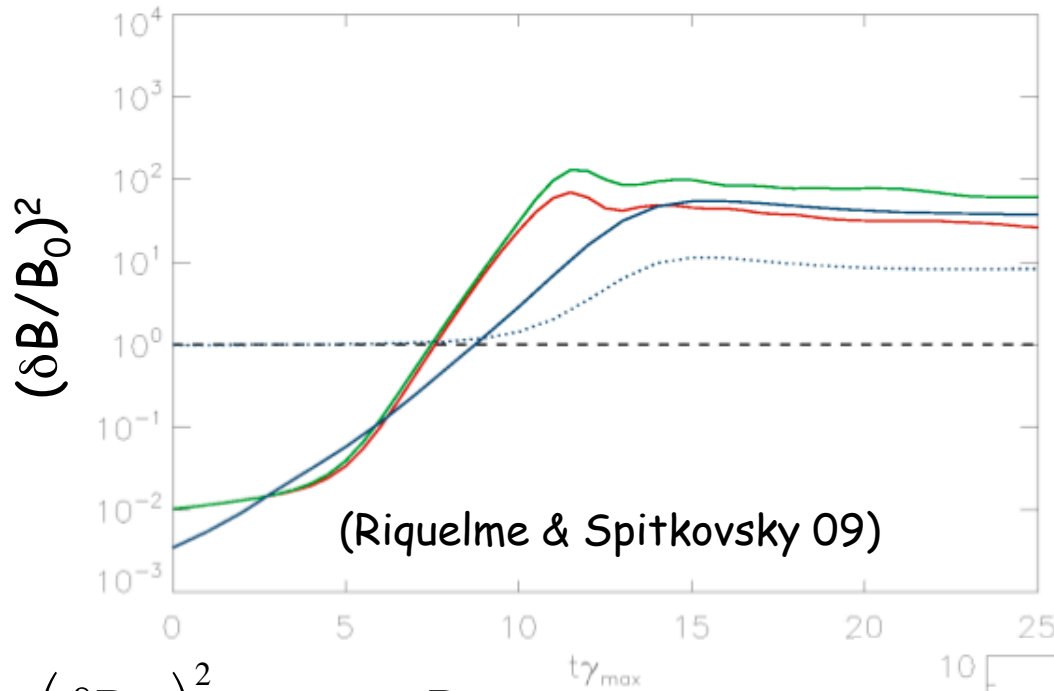
$T=11/\Gamma_{\max}$

$\langle \lambda \rangle$  has grown



(Riquelme & Spitkovsky 09)

# Saturation



For constant CR current  
Saturation for  $v_{A1} \sim v_D$

$$\delta B = 400 \left( \frac{v_D}{10^4 \text{ km/s}} \right) \left( \frac{n_i}{\text{cm}^3} \right)^{1/2} \mu\text{G}$$

With mono-energetic CRs  
Saturation can come earlier if

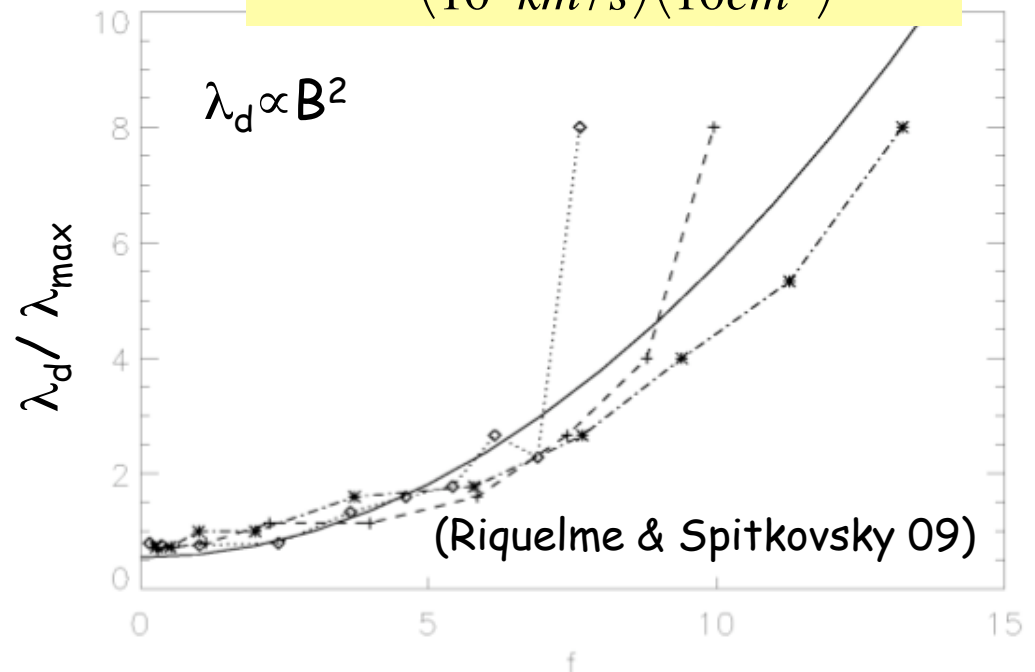
$$r_L \sim \lambda_d$$

$$\delta B = 30 \left( \frac{v_D}{10^4 \text{ km/s}} \right) \left( \frac{n_{CR}}{10 \text{ cm}^3} \right)^{1/2} \mu\text{G}$$

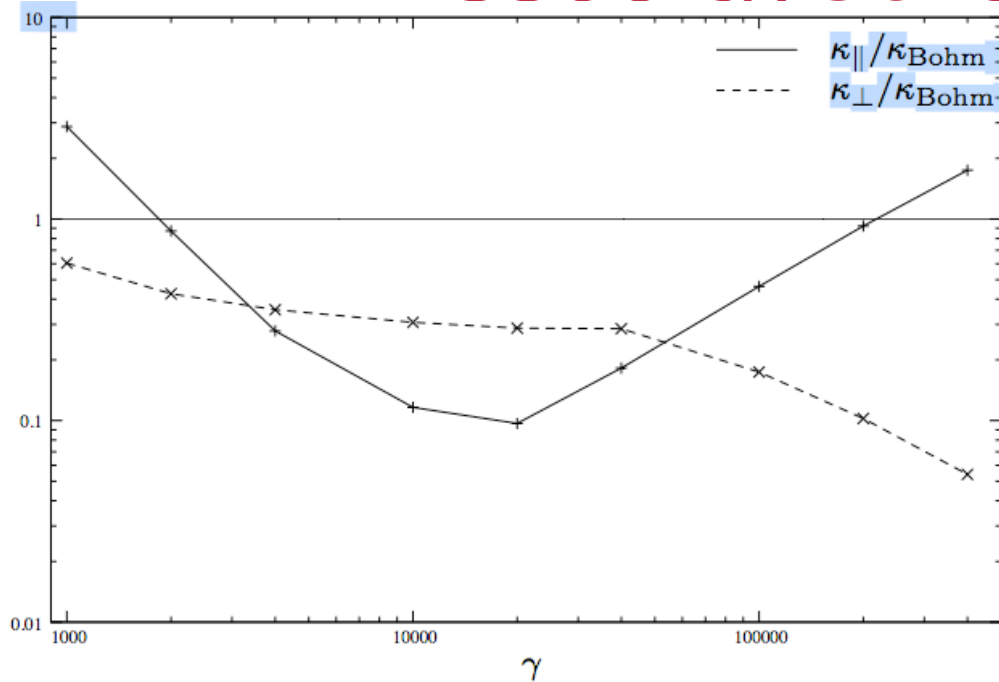
$$\left( \frac{\delta B_{res}}{B_0} \right)^2 = 2 \frac{v_D}{v_A} \frac{P_{CR}}{n_i m_i v_D^2}$$

(e.g. Amato & Blasi 06)

$$\frac{\delta B_{Bell}}{\delta B_{res}} \approx \sqrt{\frac{v_D}{\eta v_A}} \quad \text{or} \quad \sqrt{\frac{v_D}{v_A}}$$



# Associated scattering



Too few waves at large  $\lambda$   
 $\Rightarrow D_z \sim E^2$

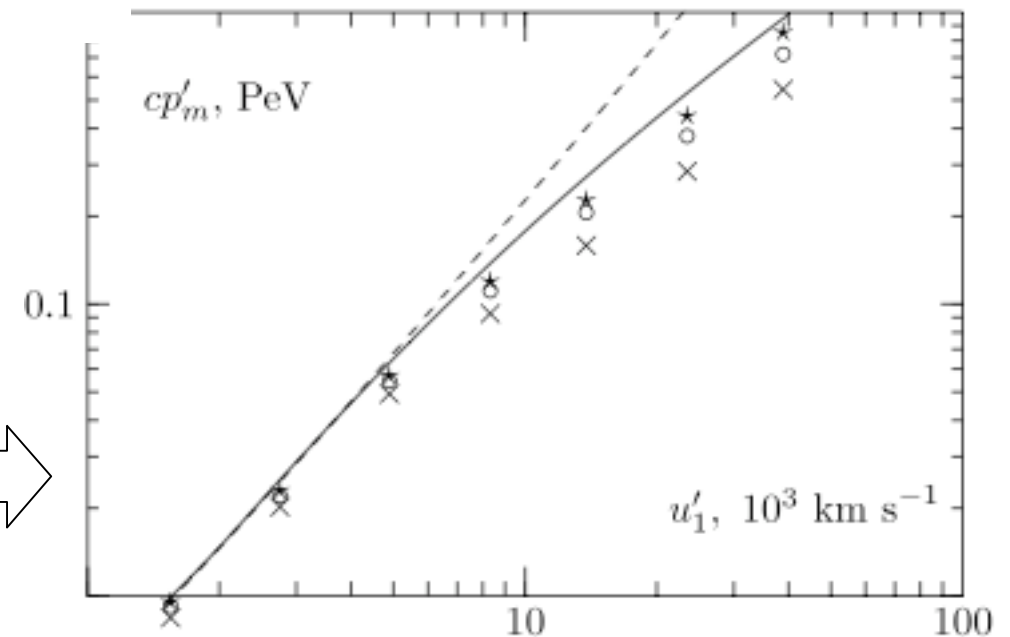
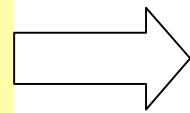
subdiffusive behaviour  
 for some range of E

$K_{\text{max}}$  decreasing with time  
 but saturation not reached

(Zirakashvili & Ptuskin 08)

For efficient scattering  
 Inverse cascading  
 vs  
 Advection time

When small scale turbulence  
 and finite time  
 Are taken into account....



# Summary

- Non-resonant modes highlighted by Bell 2004 generate potentially much larger fields than classically thought
- They can easily account for amplified fields observed in SNRs
- But can they help us make progress in CR physics?
- Approximation at the resonance very good to describe propagation in the Galaxy
- Currently it is not clear that they can provide sufficient scattering for CRs to reach the knee in SNR shocks
- An instability that has been studied for more than 40 years can still reserve surprises
- The two main problems to drive the study are still not completely understood