



Fast charged particle transport in artificially generated magnetic turbulence (Project F1)

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Overview

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The Heliosphere & ISM



Particle Transport in the Heliosphere



How do particles travel from Sun to Earth?



A Primer on Focused Solar Energetic Particle Transport Basic physics and recent modelling results

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1D Solar Energetic Particle Modelling

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Basic 1D focused transport equation

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial s} \left[\mu v f\right] + \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \left[\frac{(1 - \mu^2)v}{2L(s)} f \right] = \frac{\partial}{\partial \mu} \left[D_{\mu\mu} \frac{\partial f}{\partial \mu} \right]$$

$$D_{\mu\mu}^{\text{QLT}}(\mu) = D_0(1-\mu^2)|\mu|^{q-1}$$

If S and M represents the stochastic variables corresponding to s and μ , respectively, then the two first order SDEs equivalent to the Roelof equation (Eq. 9) are

$$dS = \mu v dt$$
$$dM = \left[\frac{(1-\mu^2)v}{2L(s)} + \frac{\partial D_{\mu\mu}}{\partial \mu}\right] dt + \sqrt{2D_{\mu\mu}} dW_{\mu}(t),$$

where $dW_{\mu}(t)$ is a Wiener process. These SDEs are solved using the Euler-Maruyama scheme,

$$S(t + \Delta t) = S(t) + M(t)v\Delta t$$
$$M(t + \Delta t) = M(t) + \left[\frac{(1 - M^2(t))v}{2L(S(t))} + \frac{\partial D_{\mu\mu}}{\partial \mu}\Big|_{\mu = M(t)}\right] \Delta t + \sqrt{2D_{\mu\mu}(M(t))\Delta t}\Lambda,$$



Galactic Cosmic Ray Transport

Importance of Anisotropic Transport, Diffusion Tensor

Anisotropic diffusion of Galactic cosmic ray protons and their steady-state azimuthal distribution

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial N}{\partial t} &= \nabla \cdot (\hat{\kappa} \cdot \nabla N - \boldsymbol{u}N) - \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \left[\dot{p}N - \frac{p}{3} (\nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{u})N \right] + Q \\ \hat{\kappa}_{\mathrm{L}} &= \begin{pmatrix} \kappa_{\perp 1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \kappa_{\perp 2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \kappa_{\mathrm{H}} \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$\mathrm{d}x_i = A_i(x_i)\mathrm{d}s + \sum_j B_{ij}(x_i)\mathrm{d}W_j$$



Full-Orbit Simulation

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Solving the Newton-Lorentz Equations for many charged (Test) Particles

Dimensionless Time: $T = \Omega t$

Dimensionless Rigidity: $\mathbf{R} := \mathbf{v}/(\Omega \ell)$

With gyro frequency $\Omega\,$ and typical length scale (bendover scale) $\ell\,$

In the literature, often RK methods are used. We use the Boris Push method for energy conservation:

$$\frac{d}{dT}\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{R} \times \left(\mathbf{e}_z + \frac{\delta \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x})}{B_0}\right)$$
$$\frac{d}{dT}\frac{\mathbf{x}}{\ell} = \mathbf{R}.$$

$$\begin{split} \frac{\mathbf{v}^{n+1/2} - \mathbf{v}^{n-1/2}}{\Delta t} &= \frac{q}{m} \left[\mathbf{E} + \frac{\mathbf{v}^{n+1/2} + \mathbf{v}^{n-1/2}}{2} \times \mathbf{B} \right] \\ \mathbf{v}^{n-1/2} &= \mathbf{v}^{-} - \frac{q\mathbf{E}}{m} \frac{\Delta t}{2} \qquad \mathbf{v}^{n+1/2} = \mathbf{v}^{+} + \frac{q\mathbf{E}}{m} \frac{\Delta t}{2} \\ \frac{\mathbf{v}^{+} - \mathbf{v}^{-}}{\Delta t} &= \frac{q}{2m} (\mathbf{v}^{+} + \mathbf{v}^{-}) \times \mathbf{B} \end{split}$$

Synthetic Turbulence



Requirements for an Advanced Synthetic Turbulence Model

- i) The synthetic magnetic fields have to be divergence free: $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B}^{\dagger} = \mathbf{0}$.
- ii) The synthetic fields need to be homogeneous.

iii) The synthetic fields should reproduce a predefined energy spectrum (Kolmogorov, 1941; Iroshnikov, 1963; Kraichnan, 1965; Boldyrev, 2005).

iv) There should be no restriction other than computational ones for a maximum Reynolds number.

v) The spectrum should be anisotropic, which means that it should have different exponents perpendicular and parallel to a local guide field (Goldreich & Sridhar, 1995; Boldyrev, 2005).

vi) The generation of the synthetic fields must be local and adaptive in space.

vii) The synthetic turbulence should exhibit intermittency, as prescribed by a given intermittency model.

viii) The synthetic turbulent fields should exhibit an increment PDF that is negatively skewed.

ix) Synthetic turbulence should be constructed as a multifractal Brownian bridge.

Synthetic Turbulence

Magnetostatic Turbulence (following Shalchi 2020 review)

$$\delta \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x}) = \sqrt{2} \delta B \sum_{n=1}^{N} A(k_n) \boldsymbol{\xi}_n \cos[\mathbf{k}_n \cdot \mathbf{x} + \beta_n]$$

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$$\mathbf{k}_n = k_n \mathbf{e}_{k,n}$$

 $\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x},t) = B_0 \mathbf{e}_z + \delta \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{x},t).$

$$\mathbf{e}_{k,n} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{1 - \eta_n^2} \cos \phi_n \\ \sqrt{1 - \eta_n^2} \sin \phi_n \\ \eta_n \end{pmatrix} \qquad \qquad \mathbf{\xi}_n = \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \phi_n \cos \alpha_n + \eta_n \cos \phi_n \sin \alpha_n \\ \cos \phi_n \cos \alpha_n + \eta_n \sin \phi_n \sin \alpha_n \\ -\sqrt{1 - \eta_n^2} \sin \alpha_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$A^{2}(k_{n}) = G(k_{n})\Delta k_{n}\left(\sum_{m=1}^{N}G(k_{m})\Delta k_{m}\right)$$

$$G(k_n) = \frac{k_n^q}{(1+k_n^2)^{(s+q)/2}}.$$

Turbulence model	η_n	α_n	Φ_n	Wave numbers	q
Slab	1	0	Random	$k_n = \ell_{\parallel} k_{\parallel}$	0
Two-dimensional	0	0	Random	$k_n = \ell_{\perp} k_{\perp}$	2 or 3
Isotropic	Random	Random	Random	$k_n = \ell_0 k$	3
Noisy slab model	0	0	Random	$k_n = \ell_{\perp} k_{\perp}, k_m = \ell_{\parallel} k_{\parallel}$	0
NRMHD	0	0	Random	$k_n = \ell_{\perp} k_{\perp}, k_m = \ell_{\parallel} k_{\parallel}$	3

Synthetic Turbulence



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Isotropic, Gaussian Turbulence







Example Results for the Diffusion Coefficient RUB



Fig. 16 Diffusion coefficients and distribution functions for pure slab turbulence, a magnetic rigidity of R = 0.1, and a magnetic field ratio of $\delta B_{slab}^2/B_0^2 = 1$. The used parameters T, R, K_{\parallel} , and D_{\parallel} are defined in

Shalchi 2020

Anomalous Diffusion



Super or Subdiffusion regimes?

SUPERDIFFUSIVE AND SUBDIFFUSIVE TRANSPORT OF ENERGETIC PARTICLES IN SOLAR WIND ANISOTROPIC MAGNETIC TURBULENCE

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FIG. 1.—Anomalous transport exponents γ_i (top panels) and flatnesses F_i (bottom panels) are plotted as a function of time for $\delta B/B_0 = 0.5$, $\rho/\lambda = 3.2 \times 10^{-3}$, and $\rho/\lambda_{\min} = 1.28 \times 10^{-2}$. Magnetic turbulence is axisymmetric, and the ratio of correlation lengths varies from $l_z/l_z = 10$ (far left) to 3, 1, 0.33, and 0.1 (far right). Results for the x-, y-, and z-directions are indicated by solid, dashed, and dotted lines, respectively.

Influence of Intermittency? Shukurov 2017

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Cosmic Rays in Intermittent Magnetic Fields

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2. Magnetic Field Produced by Dynamo Action

We generate intermittent, statistically isotropic, fully threedimensional random magnetic fields b by solving the induction equation with a prescribed velocity field u:

$$\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{b}}{\partial t} = \nabla \times (\boldsymbol{u} \times \boldsymbol{b}) + R_{\rm m}^{-1} \nabla^2 \boldsymbol{b}, \qquad \nabla \cdot \boldsymbol{b} = 0.$$

Figure 1. Isosurfaces of magnetic field strength $b^2/b_0^2 = 2.5$ (blue) and $b^2/b_0^2 = 5$ (yellow) with b_0 the rms magnetic field, for magnetic field generated by the KS flow (3) at $R_m = 1082$ (left) and for the same magnetic field after Fourier phase randomization as described in the text (second from left). Magnetic field generated by the W flow (2) is similarly affected (not shown). The second from right panel shows the PDFs of a magnetic field component b_x for the original (KS, W: solid) and randomized (KS (R), W (R): dashed) magnetic fields obtained with both velocity fields (only $b_x > 0$ is shown as the PDFs are essentially symmetric about $b_x = 0$). The randomized fields have almost perfectly Gaussian statistics, whereas magnetic intermittency leads to heavy tails. The panel on the right shows the fractional volume within magnetic structures where $b \ge \nu b_0$, with b_0 the rms field strength, as a function of ν for the intermittent magnetic field produced by the flow (3) (solid for $R_m = 3182$ and dashed for $R_m = 1082$) and its Gaussian counterpart (dashed–dotted for $R_m = 3142$ and 1082) obtained by Fourier phase randomization; the filling factor of the randomized fields is independent of R_m .

Teaser (Parker background field)

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Summary, next Steps

- Particle transport in synthetic turbulent fields has been studied numerically in the past
- Often issues with limited resolution and energy conservation, only periodic boxes
- Almost always relying on random phase approximations -> no correlations and intermittency in synthetic turbulence

Next (first) Steps

- Study literature cases for isotropic and anisotropic synthetic turbulence as benchmark
- Extend to intermittent fields and study energy dependence of diffusion. Non-diffusive regimes?
- Work on embedding in large scale background field, e.g. Heliospheric Parker spiral field, Galactic field
- Consider embedding in large scale MHD turbulence, connect to CRPropa

