cosmic magnetism through the lens of gamma rays

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pair production

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observational strategies

strategy 1: point-like sources will appear extended

strategy 2: secondary gamma rays will arrive with time delays

strategy 3: combination of 1 and 2 \rightarrow spectral changes

measuring IGMFs with gamma rays















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astrophysical inputs (source)

pair production

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see talk by Mahmoud Alawashra

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gamma rays: interactions during cosmological propagation









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constraining IGMFs with the ASTRI Mini-Array

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- publicly available Monte Carlo code
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- development on Github: https://github.com/CRPropa/CRPropa3
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the CRPropa framework for astroparticle propagation

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plasma instabilities in the intergalactic medium

• collective plasma phenomena relevant if: $n_{beam} \lambda_{pl}^3 \gg 1$ skin depth: $\lambda_{pl} = \frac{2\pi c}{\omega_{pl}}$ $\omega_{pl} = \sqrt{\frac{e^2 n_{IGM}}{\varepsilon_0 m_e}}$ Sironi & Giannios 2014; Schlickeiser+ 2012; Vafin+2018]

the dominant instability determines if this effect affects the spectra of TeV blazars

- \triangleright for instance, non-linear Landau damping may dominate \rightarrow plasma instabilities do not play a significant role [Miniati & Elyiv 2013]
- ▶ IGMF constraints do not change strongly even if (the oblique) instabilities act \rightarrow lower limit on B changes by \sim 10 [Yan+ 2019]
- instabilities may not compromise IGMF constraints, depending on the blazar spectrum and IGM parameters [Alves Batista+ 2019]

- \triangleright plasma instabilities may quench electromagnetic cascades \rightarrow IGMF constraints unreliable(?) [Broderick+ 2012;

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