

Cosmic-Ray Acceleration in galactic Interactions and its Implications

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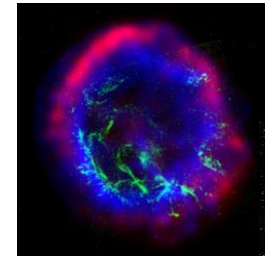
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Cosmic Ray Sources

- **Shocks + mag. fields** (Blandford & Eichler 1987)
- **Galactic CRs – supernova remnants**
(Blandford & Ostriker 1978, Bell 1978, Drury 1983) - **see talk by Petrović!**
- **UHECRs – AGNs** (Abraham et al. 2008)
- **Structure-formation CRs – structure-formation shocks** (Suzuki & Inoue 2002, Miniati et al. 2001, Fields & Prodanović 2005, Dobardžić & Prodanović 2014) – **see talk by Ćiprijanović!**
- **Tidal Cosmic Rays – tidal and merger shocks** (Prodanović et al 2013)



Galactic Interactions

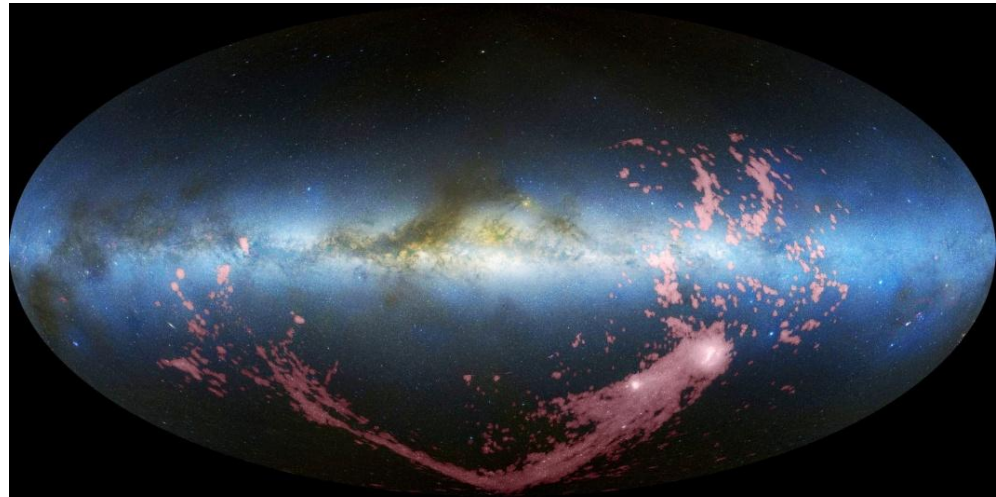
- Interactions, collisions and close fly-bys impact galaxy morphology
- Especially pronounced on small satellite galaxies disrupted by large ones (eg. SMC & MW)



Interaction Shock Waves

- Strong tidal and merger shock waves on large scales (cf. Cox et al. 2006)
- **Heating** – affects far-infrared emission
- **Tidal Cosmic Rays**

“Magellanic stream” –
due to tidal interaction
between Magellanic
clouds $\sim 2\text{Gyr}$ ago? (Diaz &
Bekki 2012)



Tidal Cosmic Rays: Effects

- **Nucleosynthesis** of cosmic dosimeters (LiBeB)
 - Could affect our understanding of the Li- problem
 - Gas of SMC shocked twice to account all 6Li ? (Prodanović et al. 2013)
 - Li measured in SMC consistent with primordial?
(Howk et al. 2012)

Tidal Cosmic Rays: Effects

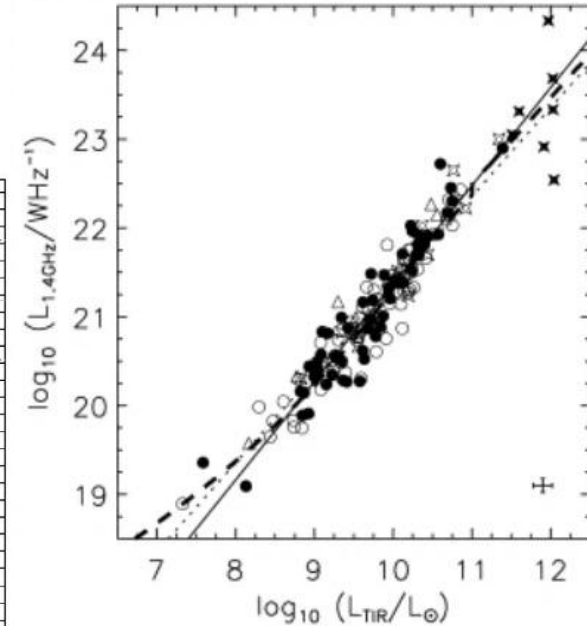
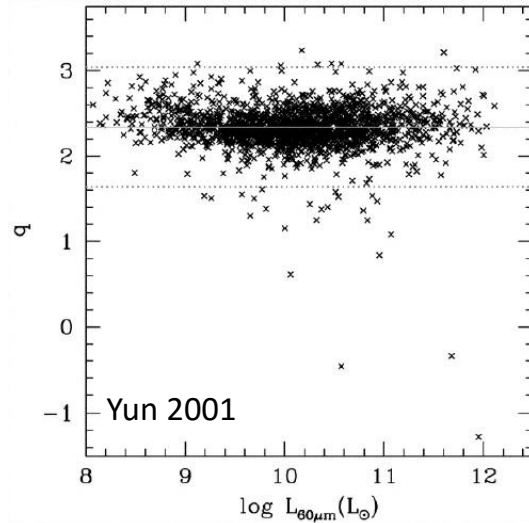
- Enhanced **non-thermal radiation** – gamma & radio
 - Disentangle from the effects of normal galactic cosmic rays
 - Expected enhanced synchrotron emission (Lisenfeld & Volk 2010)
- **Affected far-infrared –radio correlation in star-forming galaxies?** (Murphy 2013, Donevski & Prodanović 2015)
 - Could affect our estimates of star-formation rates
 - Implication for cosmic-star formation history (Horiuchi et al. 2011)



FIR-Radio Correlation

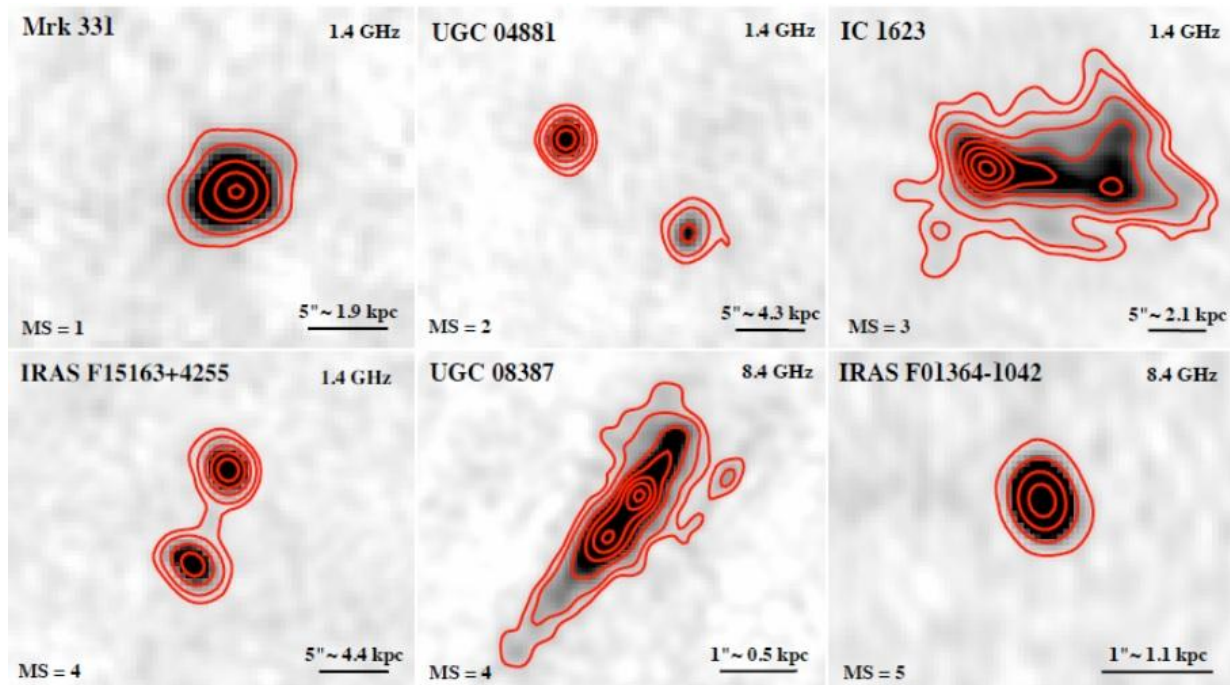
- Observed
- Origin
 - FIR emission of dust – processed stellar UV radiation
 - Synchrotron CR emission
- **Test its stability in interacting systems!**

$$q_{IR} = \log \left[\frac{S_{\nu,IR}}{S_{\nu,1.4GHz}} \right] = 2.34 \pm 0.01$$



Interaction Sequence

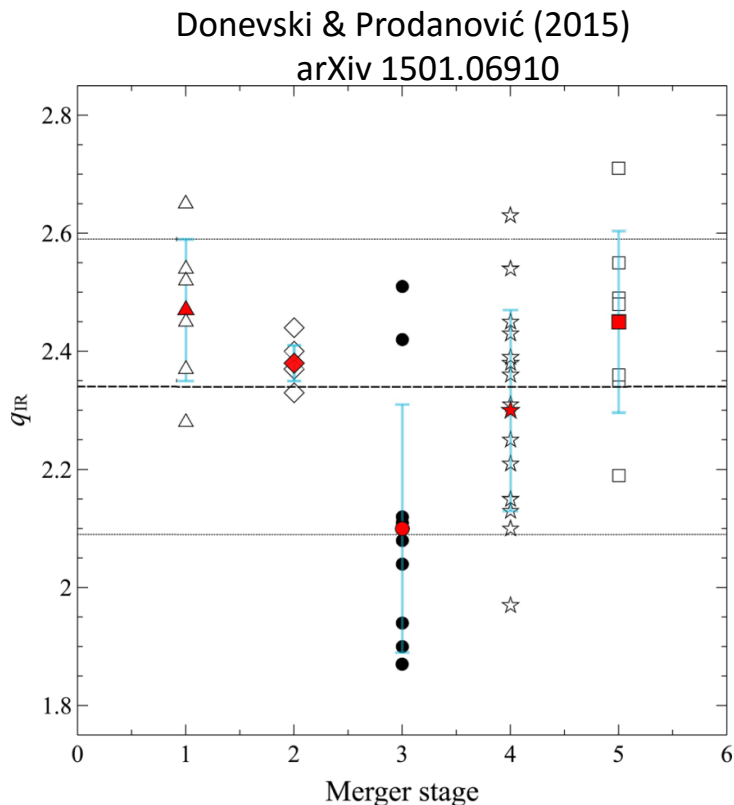
“Toomre sequence” – interaction stages 1-5



Murphy 2013

Impact of Interactions

- Available sample of 43 IR bright interacting galaxies
- FIR-radio correlation parameter vs. merger stage
- Expectations vs. merger stage
 - Stage 1-2 heating
 - Stage 3-4 Tidal cosmic-rays
 - Stage 4-5 star-formation



Interacting Galaxies: Special Attention!

- Indication of evolution of FIR-radio correlation with merger (scatter) (Donevski & Prodanović 2015)
- Observed star-forming galaxies where radio emitting region more extended than FIR (Miettinen et al. 2015)
- Could result in qIR decrease seen in COSMOS?
- Could “contaminate” star-formation rate
- Possible tool for detecting interacting systems at higher redshifts?



“To Do” list

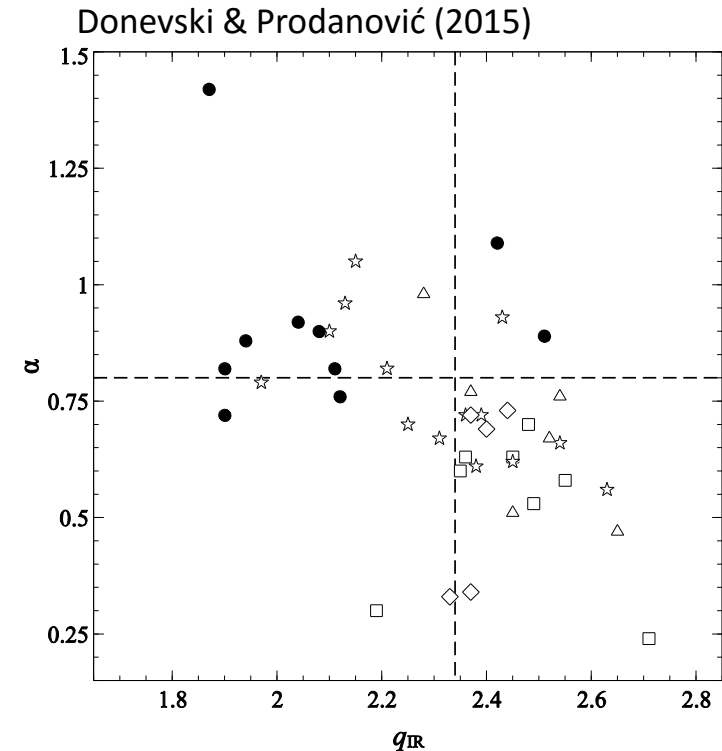
- Check impact on star-formation rate determination (coming soon!)
- Larger sample of interacting galaxies local and high-z (e.g. COSMOS in radio, CANDELS in IR)
- N-body hydro models – shock propagation, strength, duration
- Model particle acceleration, non-thermal emission, heating



Thank you!
Questions?

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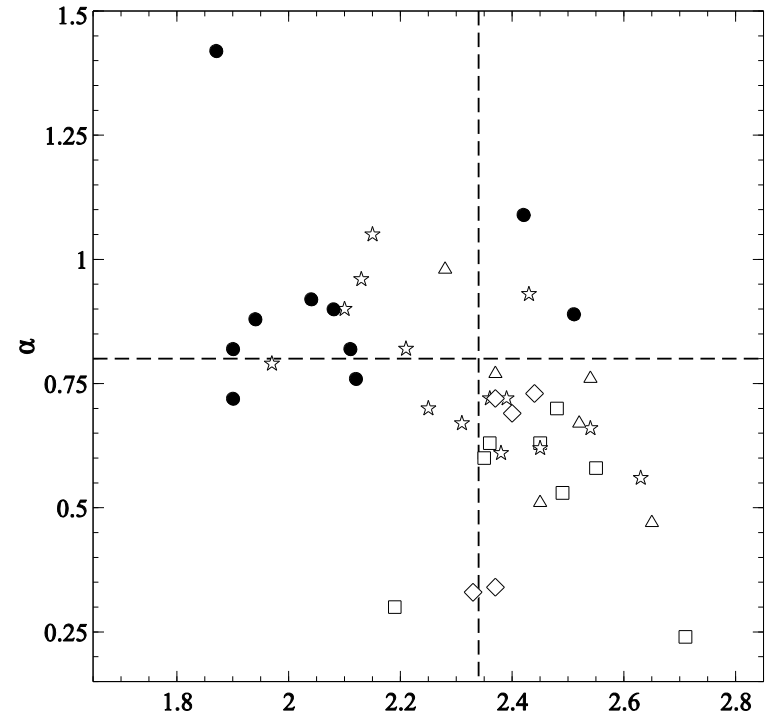
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- Spectral index also evolves vs, merger stage

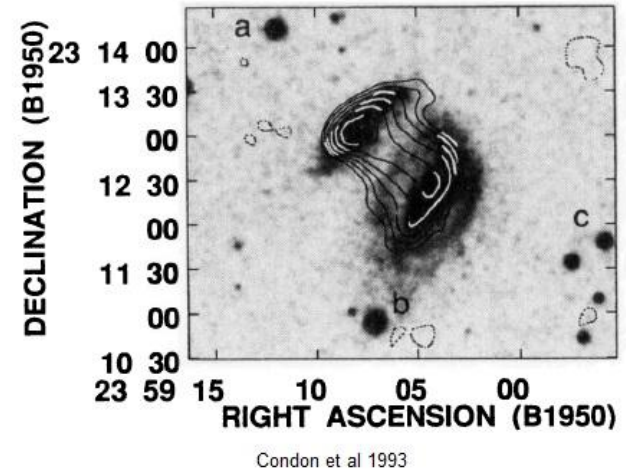
$$S_\nu \propto \nu^{-\alpha}$$

triangle – merger 1
 diamond – merger 2
 circle – merger 3
 star – merger 4
 square – merger 5



Model emission

- “Taffy” galaxies
 - Lisenfeld & Volk 2010 model for non-thermal bridge emission
 - Murphy 2013 looked into emission of “Taffy” galaxies vs. merger stage



Data

- 43 IR-bright galaxies used
- Data sets from Dopita et al. (2002) and Murphy (2013).
 - Murphy (2013) data (15 sources) were drawn from *IRAS* revised Bright Galaxy Sample (Sanders et al. 2003).
 - Dopita et al. (2002) data set consists of two studies (Kewley et al. 2001; Corbett et al. 2002)
- our sample satisfies the overall criteria that all chosen galaxies are IR bright with 60 μ m flux densities larger than 2.5 Jy and have IR luminosities $\geq 10^{10.5} L_{\odot}$.
- We have excluded all sources classified as AGNs
- All galaxies presented here have well sampled radio spectra between 1.4 and 8.4 GHz
- Values of q_{IR} were taken directly from Murphy (2013).

