Composition of GCR and production of Li, Be and B in the Galaxy

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What do we learn from GCR SOURCE abundances ?

## Galactic Cosmic Ray Source Composition



After taking into account several selection effects, it seems that the Source composition of GCR today is ~solar. Except for some excess C and Ne22/Ne20 from WR star winds (*Cassé and Paul 1982*) Galactic Cosmic Rays : what is the composition of accelerated matter ?



C, N, Ne22.

SN Shocks accelerate Superbubble matter Forward Shock accelerates Wind + ISM

A forward shock (FS)is launched at M<sub>EXP</sub> and runs through the wind of the star, enriched with products of H- and/or He- burning, and finally in the interstellar medium.

ASSUMPTION: Particle acceleration starts in the beginning of the Sedov-Taylor (ST) phase, when M<sub>SWEPT</sub> ~ M<sub>EJEC</sub>

(BUT: When does it stop ?)



Depending on the previous mass loss of the star, acceleration may occur when the shock is still within the wind (more massive stars) or in the ISM (less massive stars), thus affecting the composition of accelerated particles.

#### Stellar models with mass loss and rotation (Hirschi et al. 2005)



Integrated mass swept up by the forward shock, as it moves outwards

## The circumstellar environment of mass losing stars



Propagation of forward shock into a stellar wind of profile  $\rho(r) \propto r^{-2}$ (*Ptuskin and Zirakhasvili 2005, Caprioli 2011*)

$$t(R_{\rm sh}) \simeq 99 R_{\rm sh,pc}^{8/7} \left( \frac{\mathcal{E}_{51}^{7/2} V_{w,6}}{\dot{M}_{-5,\odot} M_{\rm ej,\odot}^{5/2}} \right)^{-1/7} \text{yr}$$
$$V_{\rm sh}(R_{\rm sh}) \simeq 8800 R_{\rm sh,pc}^{-1/7} \left( \frac{\mathcal{E}_{51}^{7/2} V_{w,6}}{\dot{M}_{-5,\odot} M_{\rm ej,\odot}^{5/2}} \right)^{1/7} \text{km s}^{-1}$$

$$M(R_{\rm sh}) = M_{\rm ej} + 4\pi \int_0^{R_{\rm sh}} \mathrm{d}r r^2 \rho(r);$$
  

$$\mathcal{E}(R_{\rm sh}) = \mathcal{E}_{SN} - 4\pi \int_0^{R_{\rm sh}} \mathrm{d}r r^2 \mathcal{F}_{\rm esc}(r);$$
  

$$t(R_{\rm sh}) = \int_0^{R_{\rm sh}} \frac{\mathrm{d}r}{V_{\rm sh}(r)}; \qquad \lambda = 6\frac{\gamma_{\rm eff} - 1}{\gamma_{\rm eff} + 1}$$
  

$$V_{\rm sh}(R_{\rm sh}) = \frac{\gamma_{\rm eff} + 1}{2} \left[\frac{2\lambda}{M^2(R_{\rm sh})R_{\rm sh}^\lambda} \int_0^{R_{\rm sh}} \mathrm{d}r r^{\lambda - 1} E(r) M(r)\right]^{1/2}$$



Particle acceleration starts in beginning of ST and is assumed to stop when the velocity of the shock drops to  $v_{MIN}$ 

chosen such as the IMF averaged ratio Ne22/Ne20 of accelerated particles equals the observed one  $R = (Ne22/Ne20)_{GCR} = 5.3$   $\bigcirc$ 





for  $v_{MIN}$ =1900 km/s for rotating models (and 2400 km/s for non-rotating ones)



The forward shock accelerates particles from a pool of mass  $M_{ACC} = A2 - A1$ between the beginning of ST (A1) and v=1900 km/s (A2)

Energy of accelerated particles  $N_i A_i \stackrel{\uparrow}{}_0 E Q(E) dE = f E_0$   $E_0 = 1.5 \ 10^{51} erg$ f = 0.1

Mass of accelerated particles  $m_{ACC} = N_i A_i$ 

Efficiency of acceleration  $W = \frac{m_{ACC}}{M_{ACC}} = a f ew 10^{a 6}$ 



GCR composition is heavily enriched in Li, Be, B (a factor ~10<sup>6</sup> for Be and B)

Solar composition: X(Li) > X(B) > X (Be) GCR composition: X(B) > X(Li) > X(Be)

Same order as spallation cross sections of CNO  $\Rightarrow$  LiBeB:  $\sigma(B) > \sigma(Li) > \sigma(Be)$ 

LiBeB is produced by spallation of CNO as GCR propagate in the Galaxy (*Reeves, Fowler, Hoyle 1970*)







The composition of GCR determines whether Be is produced as PRIMARY or SECONDARY

Primary: produced from initial H and He inside the star Yield: independent of initial metallicity (Z) Examples: C, O, Fe...

Secondary: produced from initial metals (Z) inside the star Yield: proportional to initial metallicity (Z) Examples: N14, O17, s-nuclei...

Abundance(primary):  $X_P \propto t \propto Z$ 

Abundance(secondary):  $X_S \propto t^2 \propto Z^2$ 

# **Evolution of Be**

Early 90ies: Be (and B) observations in low metallicity halo stars



Be abundance evolves exactly as Fe (unexpected, since it is produced from CNO in GCR and it should behave as secondary, not as primary !) Was the CNO fraction of GCR ~constant in the past ? PERHAPS... IF from ROTATING massive stars





With this, "physically motivated" composition of GCR and proper GCR/SN energetics, primary Be is naturally obtained`in GCE models



Galactic Cosmic Rays : what is the composition of accelerated matter ?



Production of primary B11 by GCR BUT ALSO in CCSN by neutrino-induced nucleosynthesis (*Woosley et al. 1990*)



-9

-10

log(B/H)

So are the yields of B11 and Li7



### Contributions (%) of nucleosynthesis processes to SOLAR LiBeB

	Li-6	Li-7		Be-9	B-10	B-11
Big Bang	0	8 Spite	20 WMAP	0	0	0
GCR	100	25	20	100	100	60
V-process		<10				40
AGB/novae		65	55			
Other ???						

## SUMMARY

GCR composition (*Ne22/Ne20*) best understood if GCR accelerated for a few 1000 years by forward shocks of CCSN explosions hitting massive star winds and ISM

Stellar models suggest that *rotating* massive star winds have always ~same CNO content ; *If* GCR accelerated from such material, then Be evolution understood.

GCR Ne22/Ne20: NP, 2012 Astronomy and Astrophysics, 538, 80 GCR and LiBeB : NP, 2012 Astronomy and Astrophysics, in press

## Galactic Cosmic Ray Source Composition



Is it solar ? Yes, for most isotopic ratiosVolatiles: elements with high A/Q (mass to charge) favoredNo, for elemental ratios $\Rightarrow$  Selection effectsRefractories: overabundant, but no clear trend with A/Q

Ellison, Meyer, Drury (1997): SN shocks accelerate ISM gas (volatiles) and sputtered grains (refractories) CNO overabundant by ~1.5 to 8 ; Most excess CNO attributed to WR stars After taking into account several selection effects, it seems that the Source composition of GCR today is ~solar. Except for some excess C and Ne22/Ne20 from WR star winds (*Cassé and Paul 1982*)