What is New in the Outer Heliosphere?: Voyager and IBEX

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Our Local Interstellar Environment



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Pogorelov et al., 2008

Plasma & Neutral Parameters

 $R = 1 AU \qquad R = 100 AU \qquad LISM$

 $n_p = 5 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ $V_{sw} = 400 \text{ km/s}$ $B_0 = 5 \times 10^{-5} \text{ G}$ $V_A = 40 \text{ km/s}$ $n_{He} = 0.015 \text{ cm}^{-3}$

- $n_p = 1 \times 10^{-3} \,\mathrm{cm}^{-3}$
- $V_{sw} = 300 \text{ km/s}$
- $B_0 = 0.3 \times 10^{-6} \,\mathrm{G}$
 - $V_A = 20 \text{ km/s}$ $n_H = 0.1 \text{ cm}^{-3}$
- $n_{He} = 0.015 \text{ cm}^{-3}$

 $n_p = 0.05 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ $V_{ISM} = 23(?) \text{ km/s}$ $B_0 = 3 \times 10^{-6}$ (?) G $V_{A} = 22(?) \text{ km/s}$ $n_{\rm H} = 0.2 {\rm ~cm}^{-3}$ $n_{He} = 0.015 \,\mathrm{cm}^{-3}$

Voyagers 1&2: Still Exploring!



Voyager Trajectories



IBEX Spacecraft



TA004770

- Simple sun-pointed spinner (4 rpm)
- Two huge aperture single pixel ENA cameras:
 - IBEX-Lo (~10 eV to 2 keV)
 - IBEX-Hi (~300 eV to 6 keV)

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Colloquium Wesleyan University,

Termination Shock is Special



Adventures in the Outer Heliosphere

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Voyager 1 Ions

Decker et al., 2005



Stone et al., 2008



Termination Shock Plasma Data At Voyager 2

Richardson et al., 2008

Pickup Ion Distribution in SW



Voyager 1 Downstream Spectra



Stone et al., 2005



Fig. 3. ACR helium spectra just upstream of the shock (▲) (2004/313 to 350) and in the heliosheath [(O) 2004/352 to 2005/052, (×) 2005/053 to 104, (●) 2005/105 to 156]. The TSP, ACR, and GCR spectra overlap in the observed spectra in Fig. 2. Estimates of the TSP and GCR components have been subtracted in the regions of overlap to determine the ACR He spectra. The ACR He intensity did not reach a maximum at the shock, but continued to rapidly increase at lower energies in the heliosheath, indicating increasingly easy propagation from the ACR source to V1.

Stone et al., 2005

Current Sheets & Reconnection



Pogorelov et al., 2009

Particle acceleration



Particles are accelerated by a series of adiabatic compressions and expansions, in which the particles can escape from a compression region.

Island merging & contraction



Particles are accelerated by merging and Contracting islands.

Ideas of Particle Acceleration (cont.)



Credit: NASA

Diffusive Shock Acceleration

The Blunt Termination Shock



McComas and Schwadron, 2006

Blunt Shock: 2D Simulation for ACR energies

TS is offset circe, small cross field diffusion: $\eta=0.02$





ACR flux increases into the Heliosheath

Spectrum gradually unfolds

Kota, 2010

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IBEX Observes He and H



Flow Latitude Distribution



Flow Longitude Distribution





Basic Equations (μ <1 and μ >1)

$$f(v,\phi,\psi)(\overline{V}_{E}^{3}/n) = (\pi t)^{-3/2} \exp\left\{-t^{-1}\left[v^{2}-2r^{-1}(1-\mu)+v_{ISM}^{2}-2v_{ISM}\left[v^{2}-2r^{-1}(1-\mu)\right]^{1/2}\times\left(\cos\theta_{\infty}\cos\beta\cos\lambda-\sin\theta_{\infty}\left[\cos\beta\cos\psi\sin\lambda+\sin\beta\sin\psi\right]\right)\right]\right\}$$
$$\times\left(\cos\theta_{\infty}\cos\beta\cos\lambda-\sin\theta_{\infty}\left[\cos\beta\cos\psi\sin\lambda+\sin\beta\sin\psi\right]\right)\right]$$

$$\cos\theta_{\infty} = \varepsilon^{-2} \left[1 - rv^2 (1 - \mu)^{-1} \sin^2\phi + r^2 v^3 (1 - \mu)^{-2} \left(v^2 - 2r^{-1} (1 - \mu) \right)^{1/2} \sin^2\phi \cos\phi \right]$$

$$\sin\theta_{\infty} = \varepsilon^{-2} \left[\frac{rv^2}{(1-\mu)} \sin\phi\cos\phi + \left(\frac{rv^2}{1-\mu}\right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{rv^2}{1-\mu} - 2\right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{rv^2}{1-\mu}\sin^2\phi - 1\right) \sin\phi \right]$$

 $\varepsilon^{2} = [rv^{2}(1-\mu)^{-1}-1]^{2}\sin^{2}\phi + \cos^{2}\phi$

Sun to Earth Frame

 $V\cos\phi = V'\cos\phi'$

$V\sin\phi\sin\psi = V'\sin\phi'\sin\psi'$

 $V\sin\phi\cos\psi = V'\sin\phi'\cos\psi' - V_E$

Helium Integrated Intensity ψ'/π

t = 0.03

 $\mu = 0$

 $\eta = 0$

 $\beta = 5^{\circ}$



Peak in Latitude

$$f(v,\phi,\psi)(\overline{V}_{E}^{3}/n) = (\pi t)^{-3/2} \exp\left\{-t^{-1}\left[v^{2}-2+v_{ISM}^{2}-2v_{ISM}(v^{2}-2)^{1/2}\times (\cos\theta_{\infty}\cos\lambda - \sin\theta_{\infty}\sin\lambda\cos(\psi + \overline{\beta}))\right] + 2\ln v' - \eta v^{-1}\cos^{-1}\left(-(v^{2}-1)^{-1}\right)\right\}$$

$$\psi_{sc}^{0} = -\frac{v_{0}}{(v_{0}+1)} \frac{\beta}{|\sin\lambda|} - \frac{v_{0}^{2} (\varepsilon_{z} \cos\psi_{sc}^{0} + \varepsilon_{E} \sin\psi_{sc}^{0})}{(v_{0}+1)(v_{0}^{2}-2)^{1/2}} \frac{\sin(\lambda + \theta_{\infty}^{0})}{|\sin\lambda|}$$

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Independent of Ionization Rate

Best ISM He Parameters

$$\lambda_{ISM\infty} = 79.0^{\circ} \pm 0.47^{\circ}$$

$$\lambda_{ISM\infty} = 75.4 \pm 0.4^{\circ}$$

$$\beta_{ISM\infty} = -4.98^\circ \pm 0.21^\circ$$

 $V_{ISM\infty} = 23.2 \pm 0.3 \,\mathrm{km \, s^{-1}}$

$$T_{ISM\infty} = 6300 \pm 390 \text{ °K}$$

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No Bow Shock!



McComas et al., 2012

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Interstellar Hydrogen

Schwadron et al., 2013



Hydrogen Speed, Temperature and λ

Schwadron et al., 2013

Radiation Pressure on H



Schwadron et al., 2013

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Origin of Secondaries



Primary and Secondary H



Pogorelov et al., 2008

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IBEX Reveals the "Ribbon"

IBEX-Hi (0.9-1.5 keV)



Differential Flux [ENAs/(cm² s sr keV)]

0 10	0 20	00	800

IBEX-Hi (0.6-1.0 keV)



Differential Flux [ENAs/(cm² s sr keV)]

20	00 40	0 600)



Secondary ENAs as Source for the IBEX Ribbon



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Voyager in the Transition Layer





- Zero radial outflow !
- Increase of tangential speed

Krimigis et al., 2011

Time-Dependent Heliosheath



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Voyager at the Heliopause?





Voyager 1: Heliosheath particles escape, GCRs enter & B increases



Voyager 1: Angular distributions of protons 3.4-17.6 MeV (1-d avg.) 2012/183-330



Voyager in the Heliosheath

Voyager 1 Magnetic Field and Charged Particles



Magnetic Field Observations

Voyager 1 Magnetic Field Strength and Direction



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The Current Picture of the Heliosphere



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