

supernova remnants and particle acceleration

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outline

part I: SNRs

why should you care about SNRs?

what do we know about SNRs in general?

- executive summary

- types

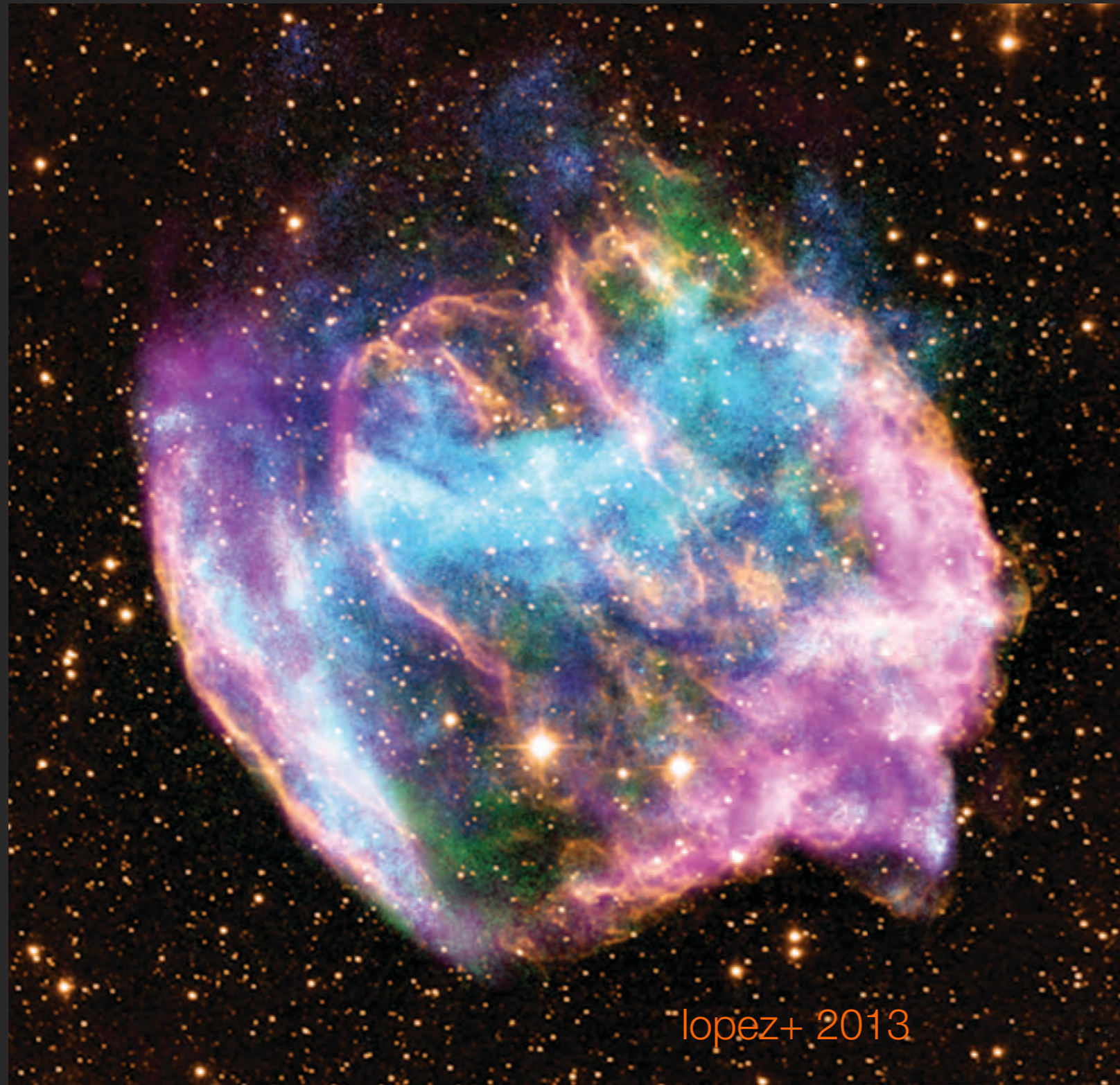
- structure and evolution

- emission

- x-ray observations

- balmer dominated shocks

i. *why* should you care about SNRs?



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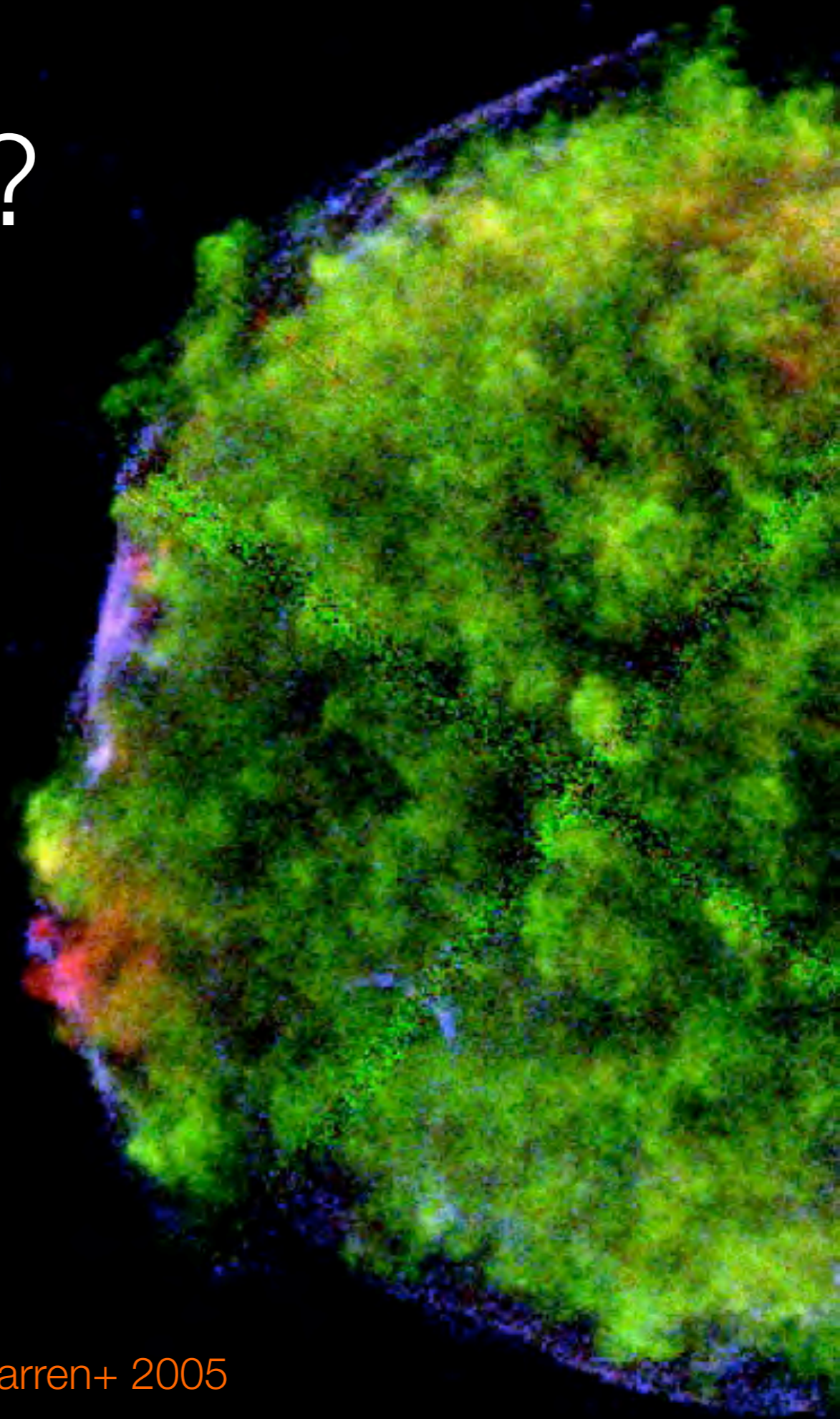
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- supernovae
- pulsars + pwn
- feedback
 - shocks
 - chemistry
 - crs
- SN – GRB
- dust production

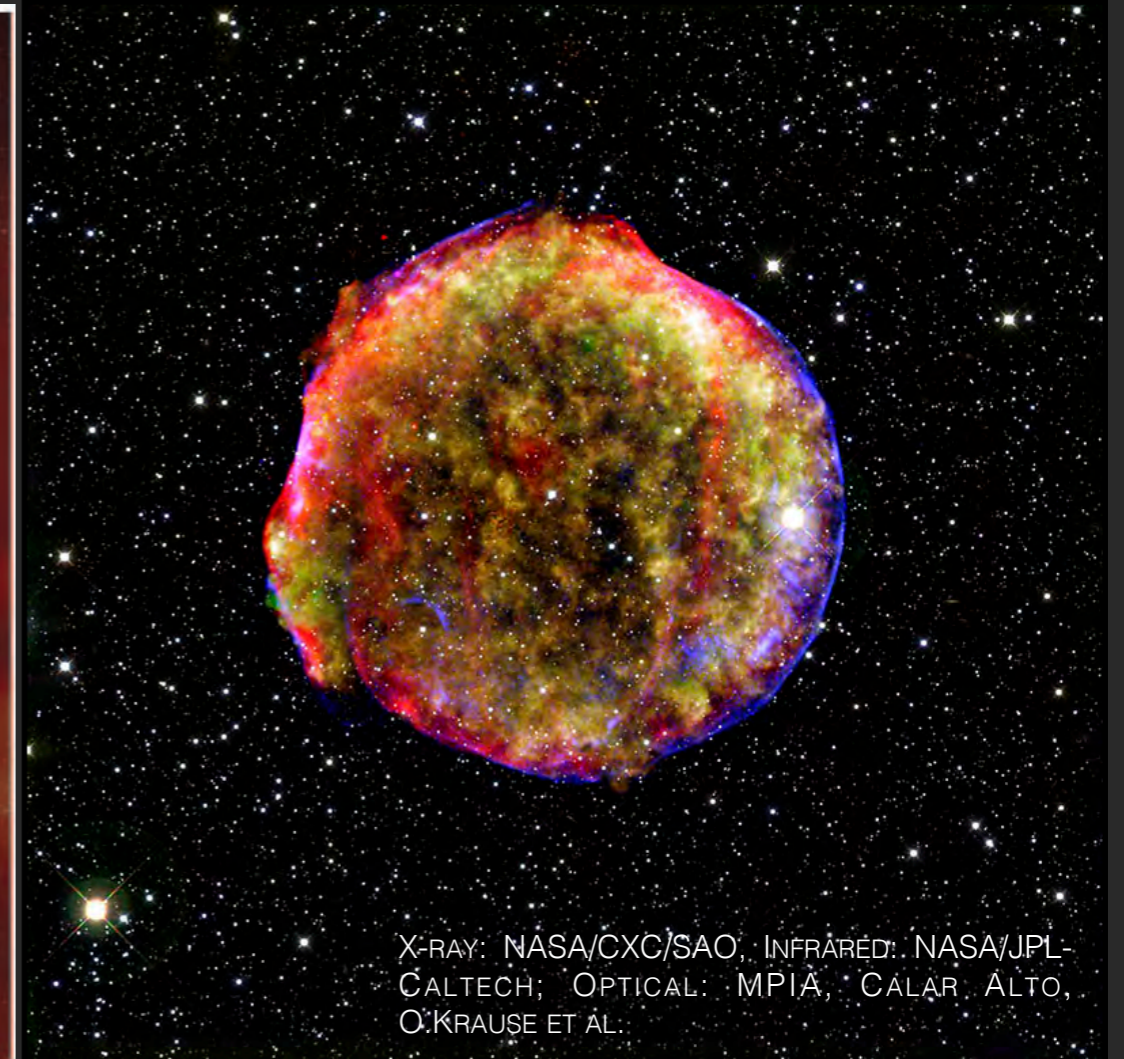


ii. what are snrs?

- explosive end of a star
- two types:
 - core-collapse
 - thermonuclear
- material ejected with $\sim 10^{51}$ erg kinetic energy
- shock wave forms & sweeps up ISM/CSM



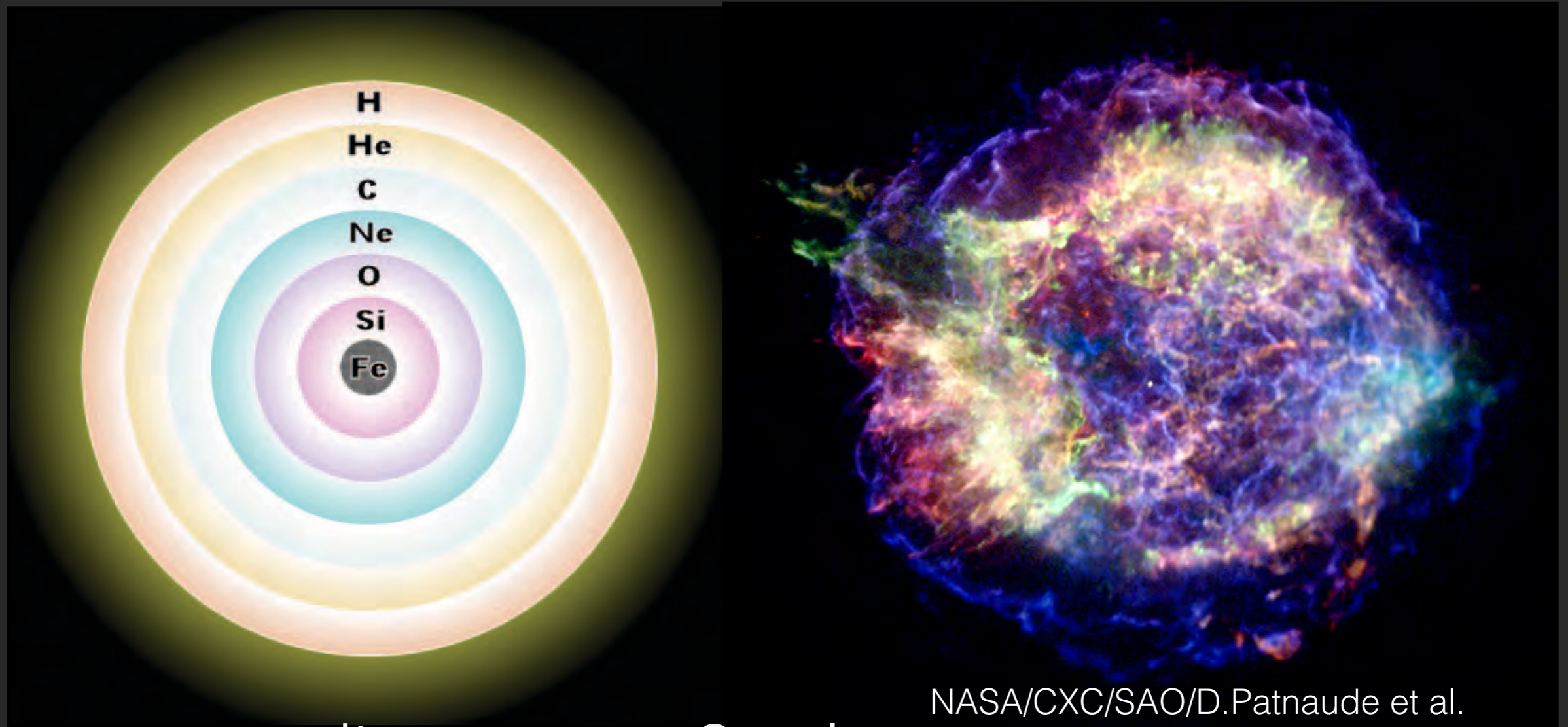
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- ejecta mass ~ 1.4 solar masses
- expands into approx uniform ISM

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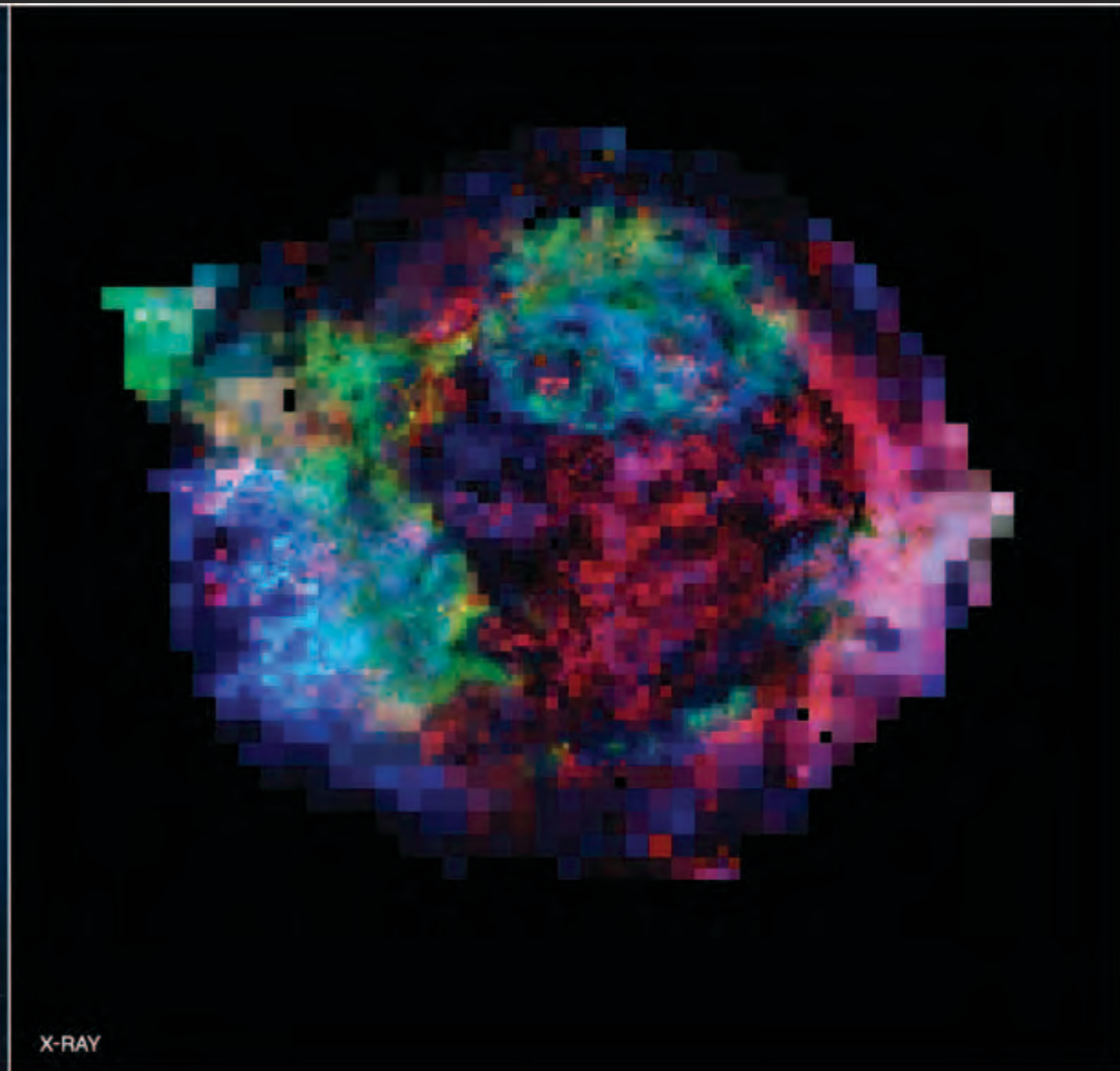
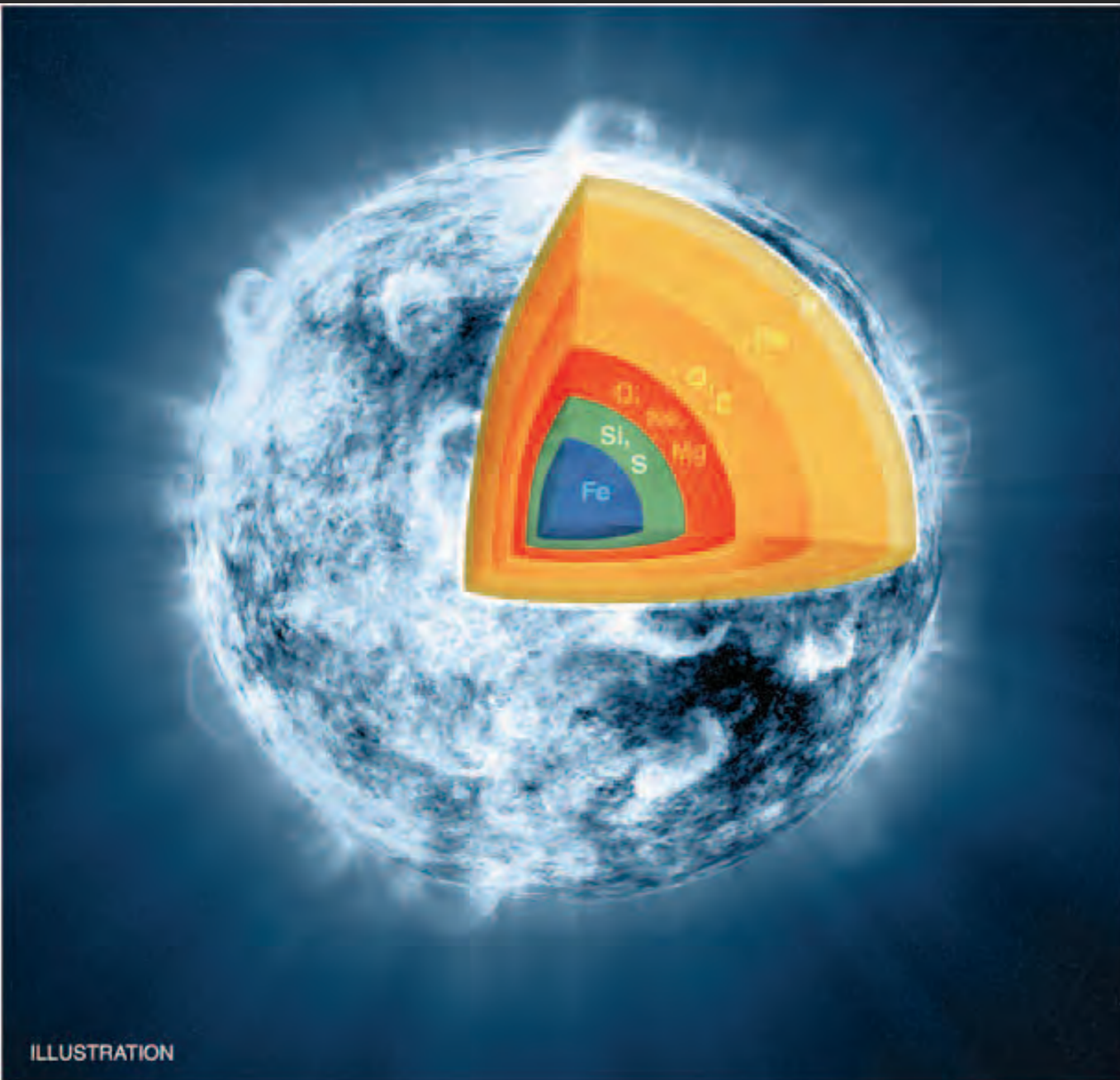
core-collapse



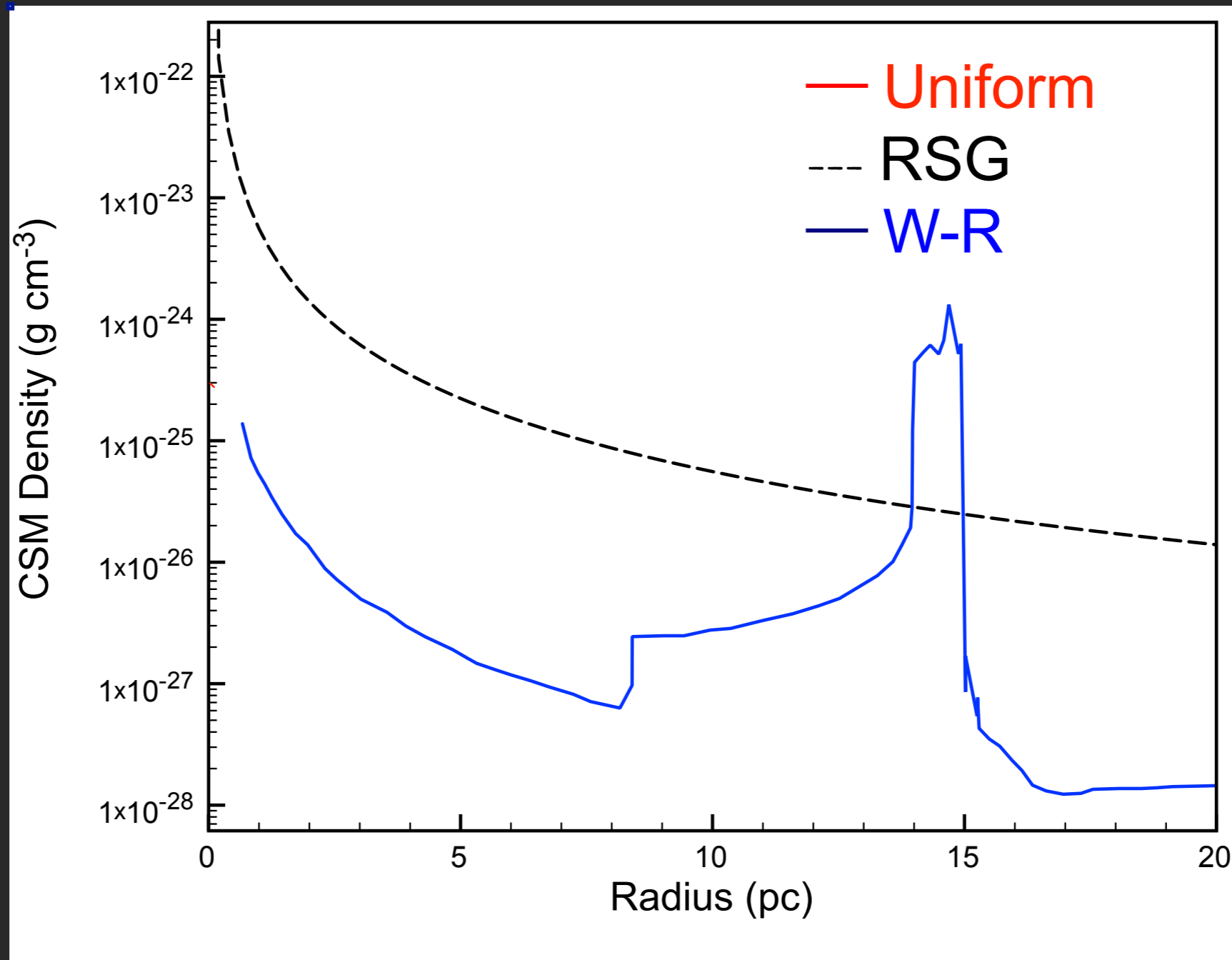
NASA/CXC/SAO/D.Patnaude et al.

- progenitor mass > 8 solar masses
- expands into modified CSM

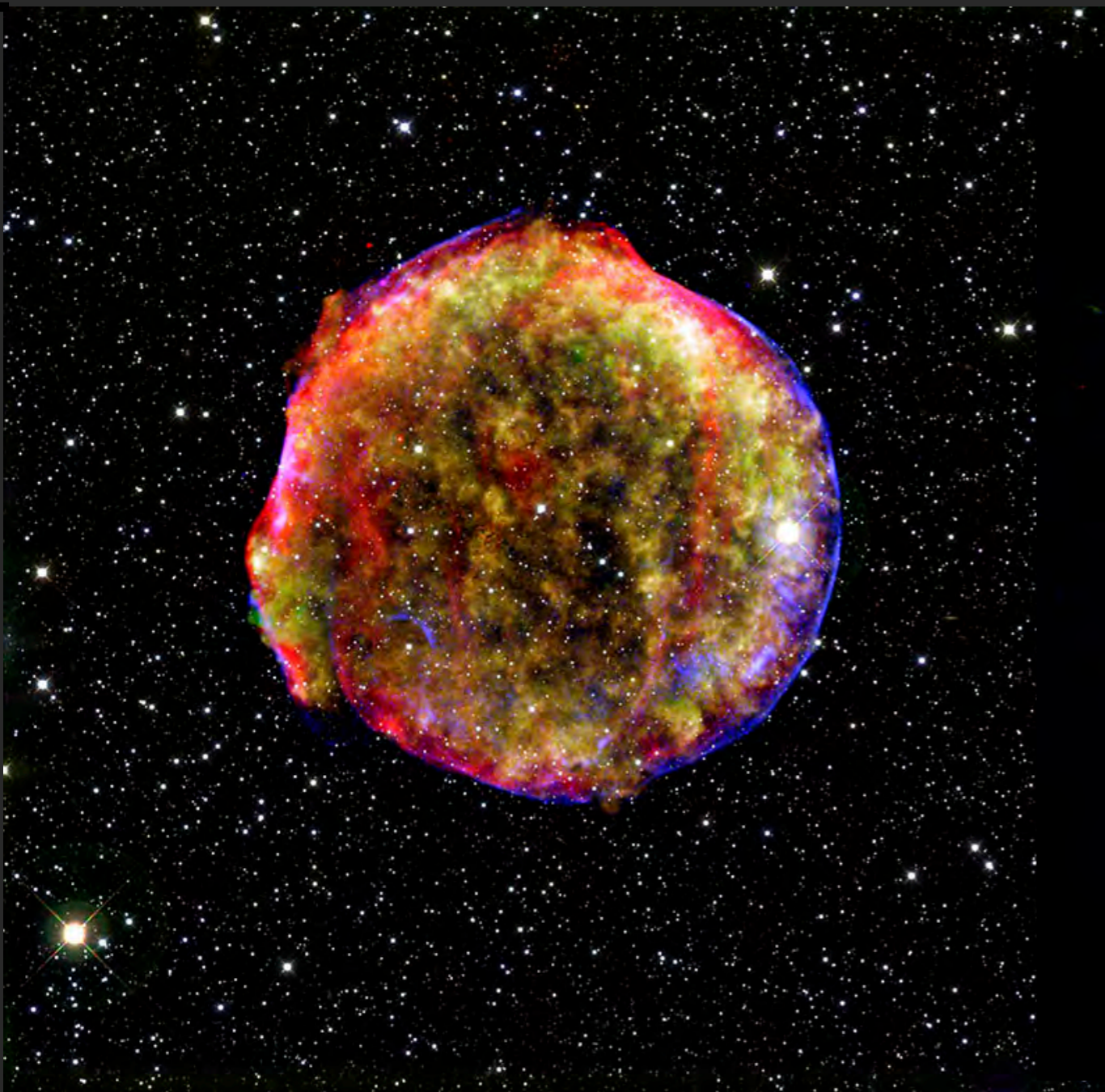
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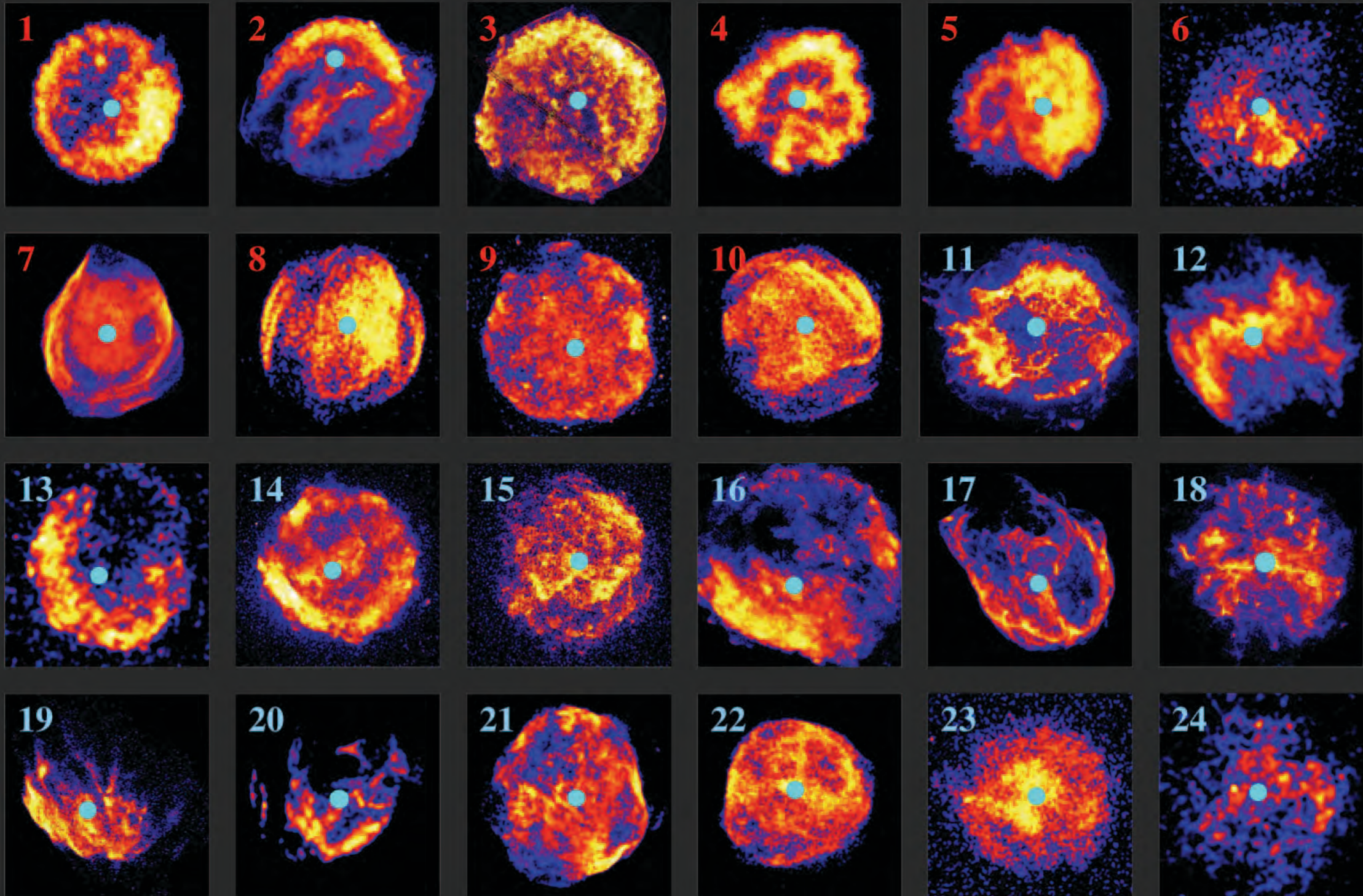
ii. types (surrounding media)



ii. determining type

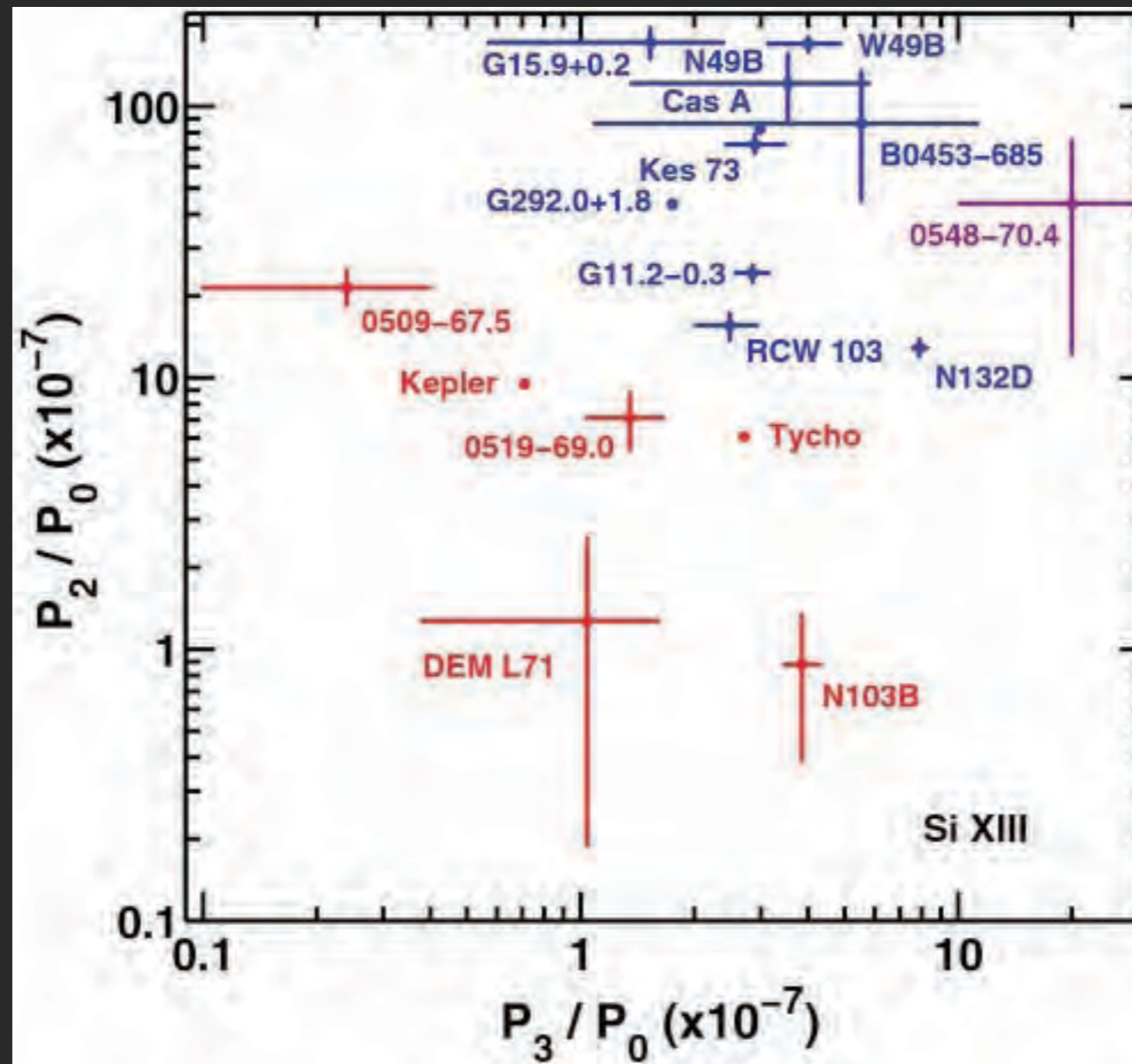


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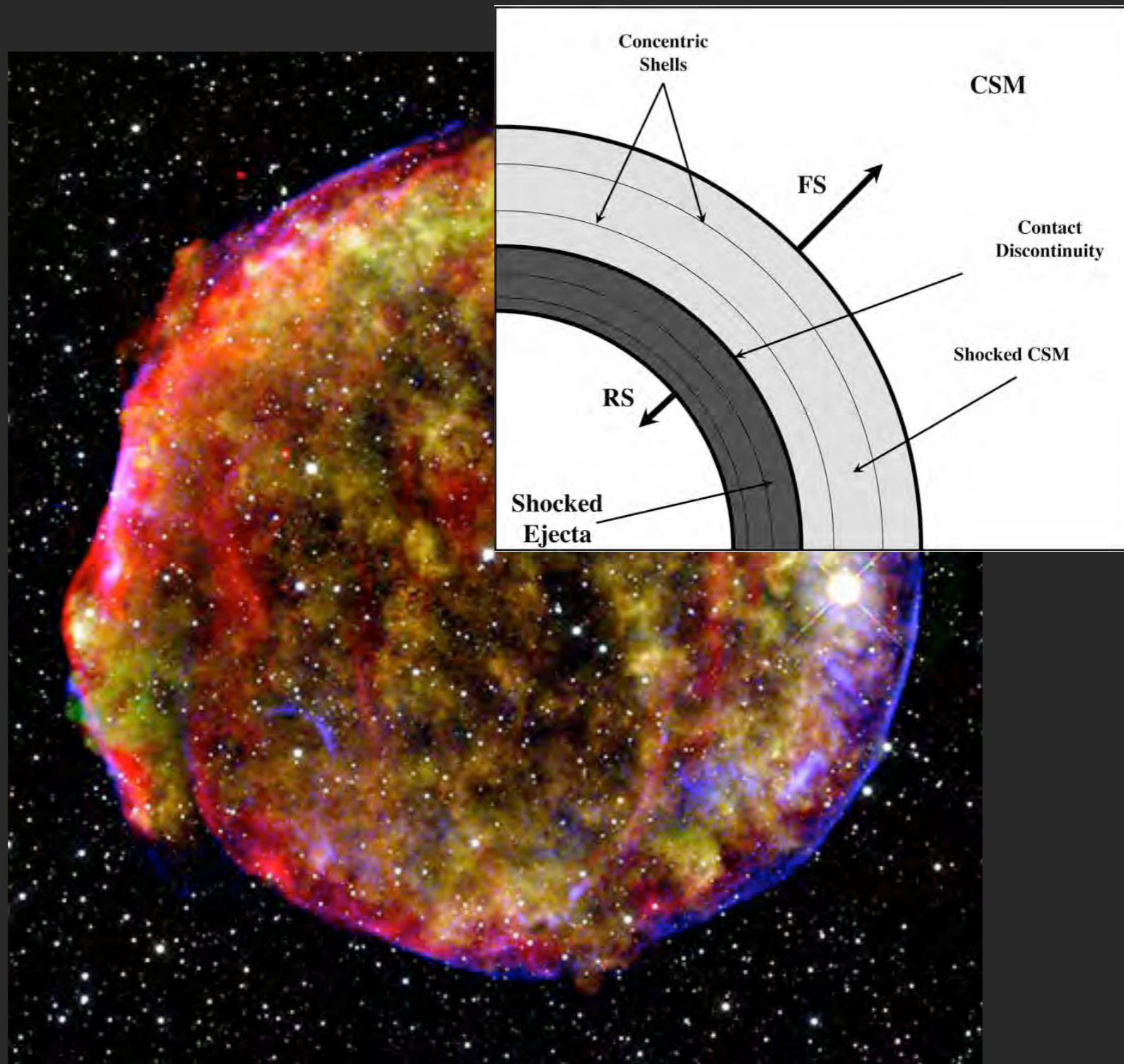
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ellipticity / elongation



mirror asymmetry

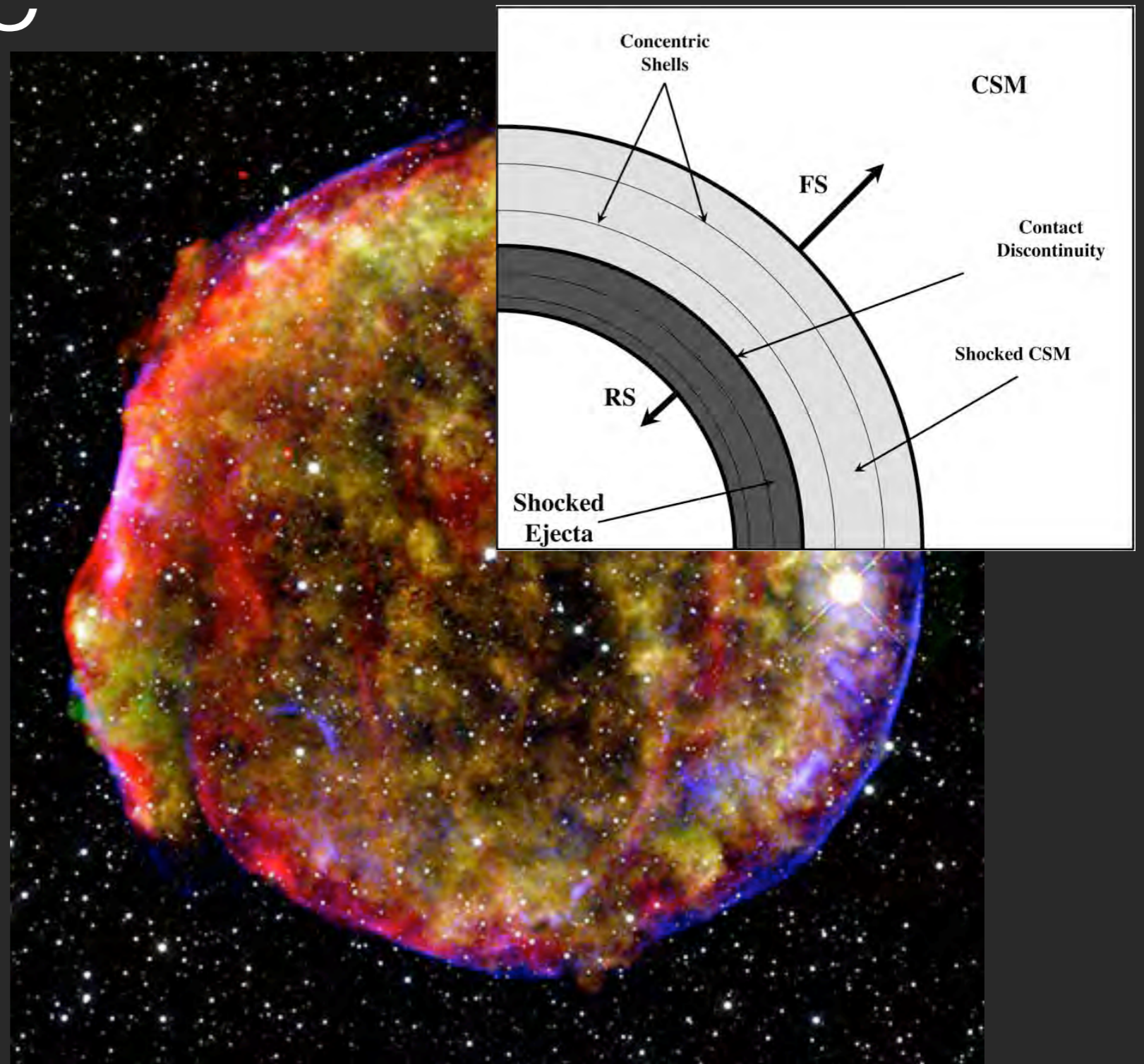
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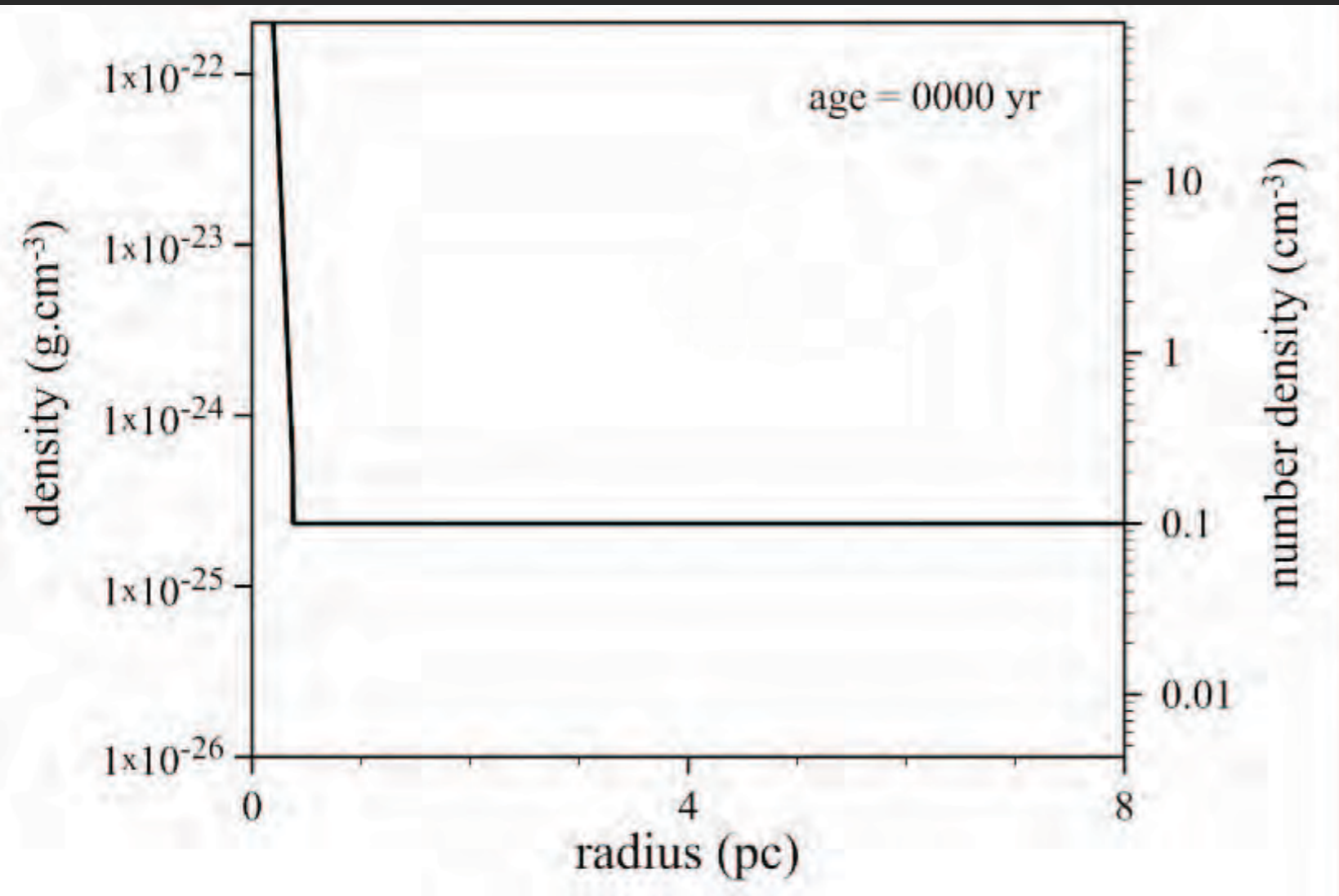
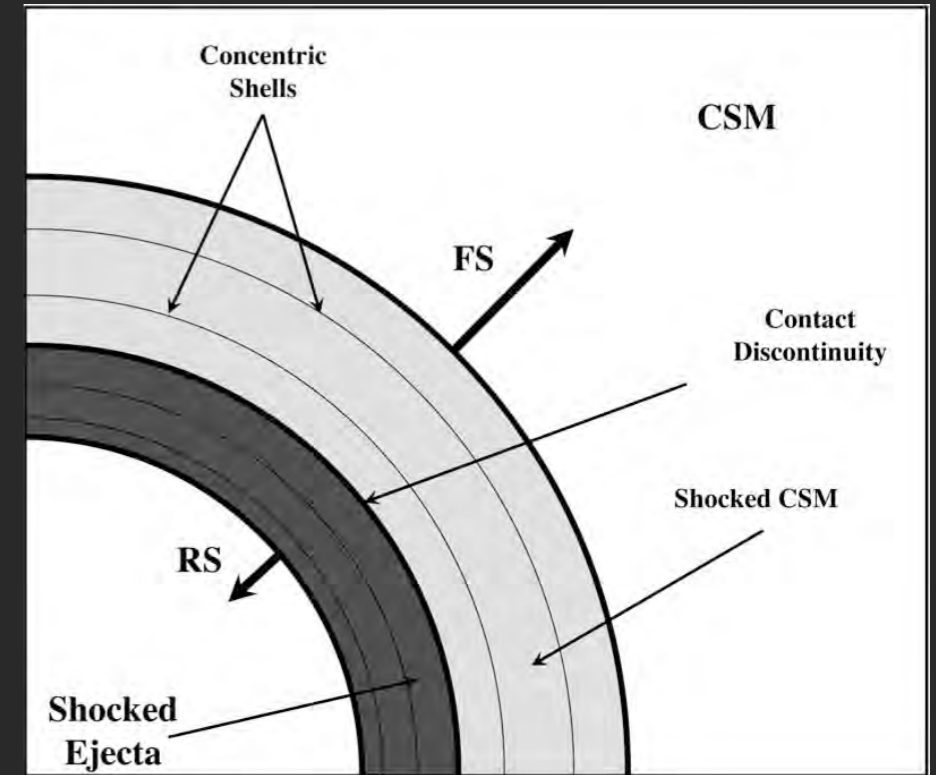
x-ray: nasa/cxc/sao,
infrared: nasa/jpl-caltech;
optical: mpia, calar alto,
o.krause et al.

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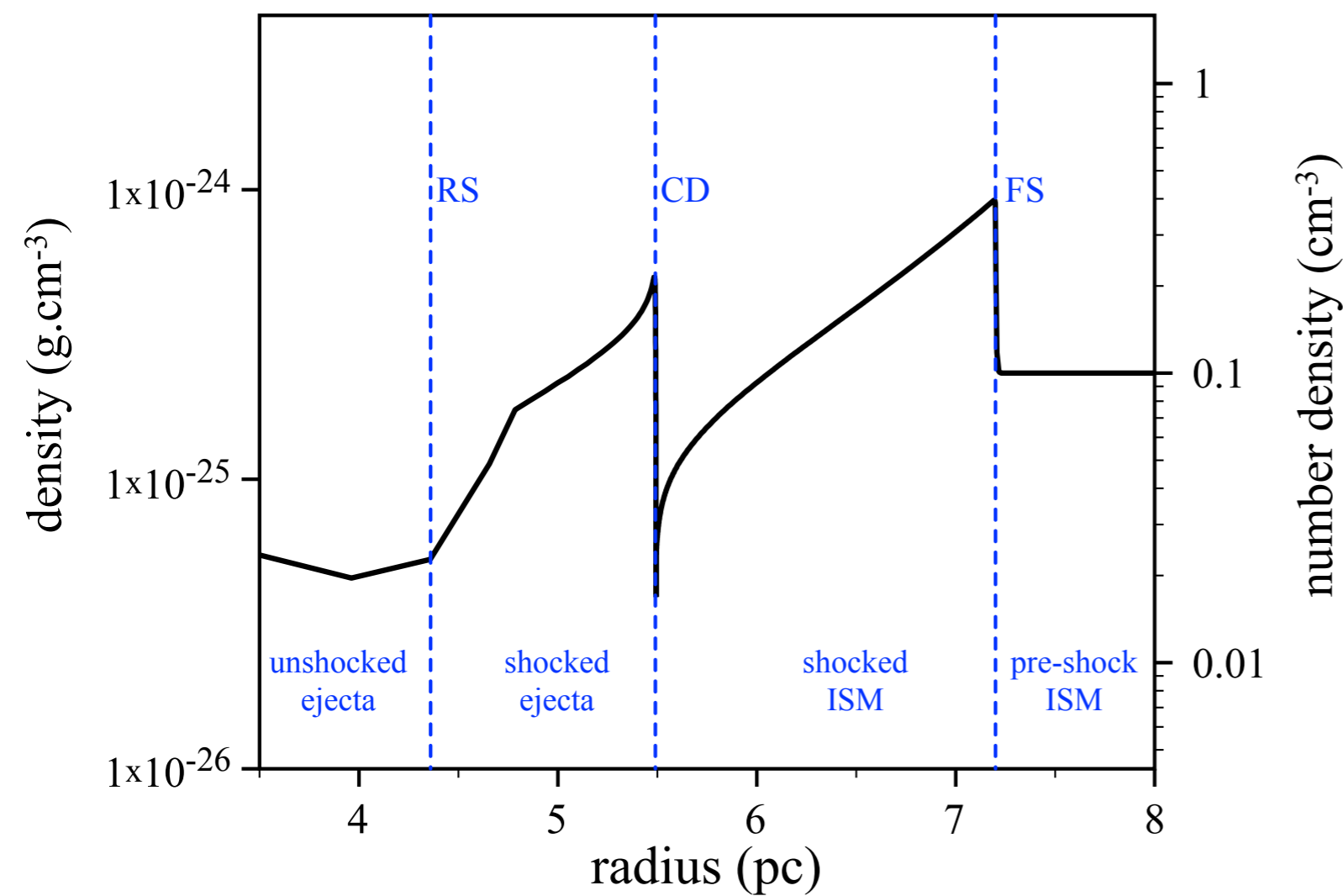
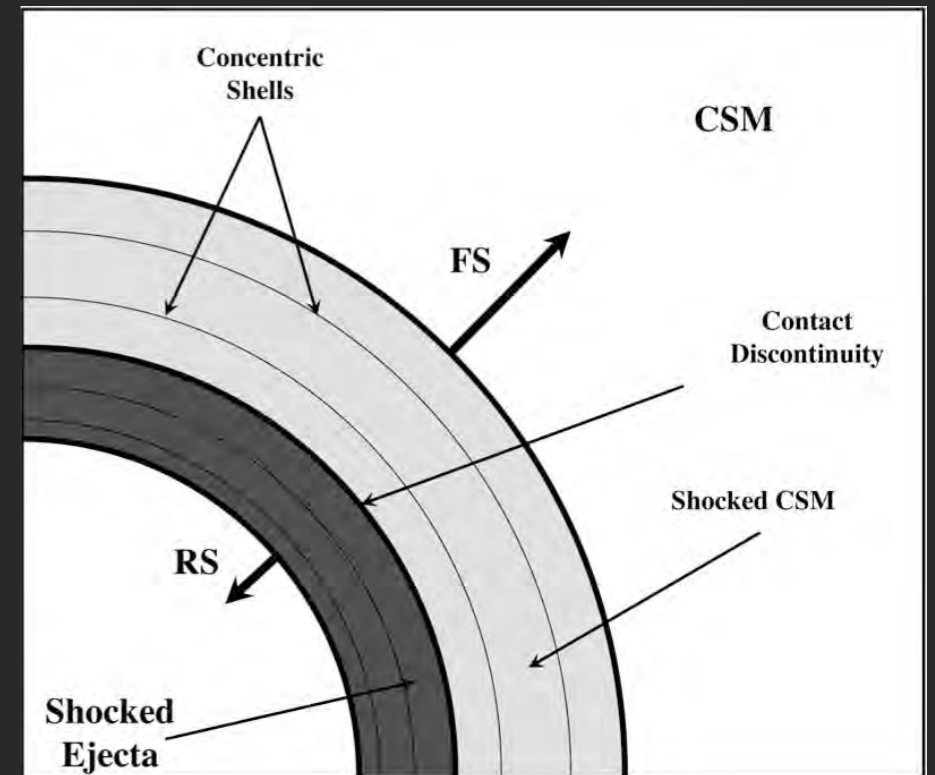
- free expansion: dynamics and emission dominated by ejecta, $R \propto t$
- adiabatic/sedov-taylor: swept up material dominates, $R \propto t^{2/5}$
- radiative/snow-plow, radiative losses become significant



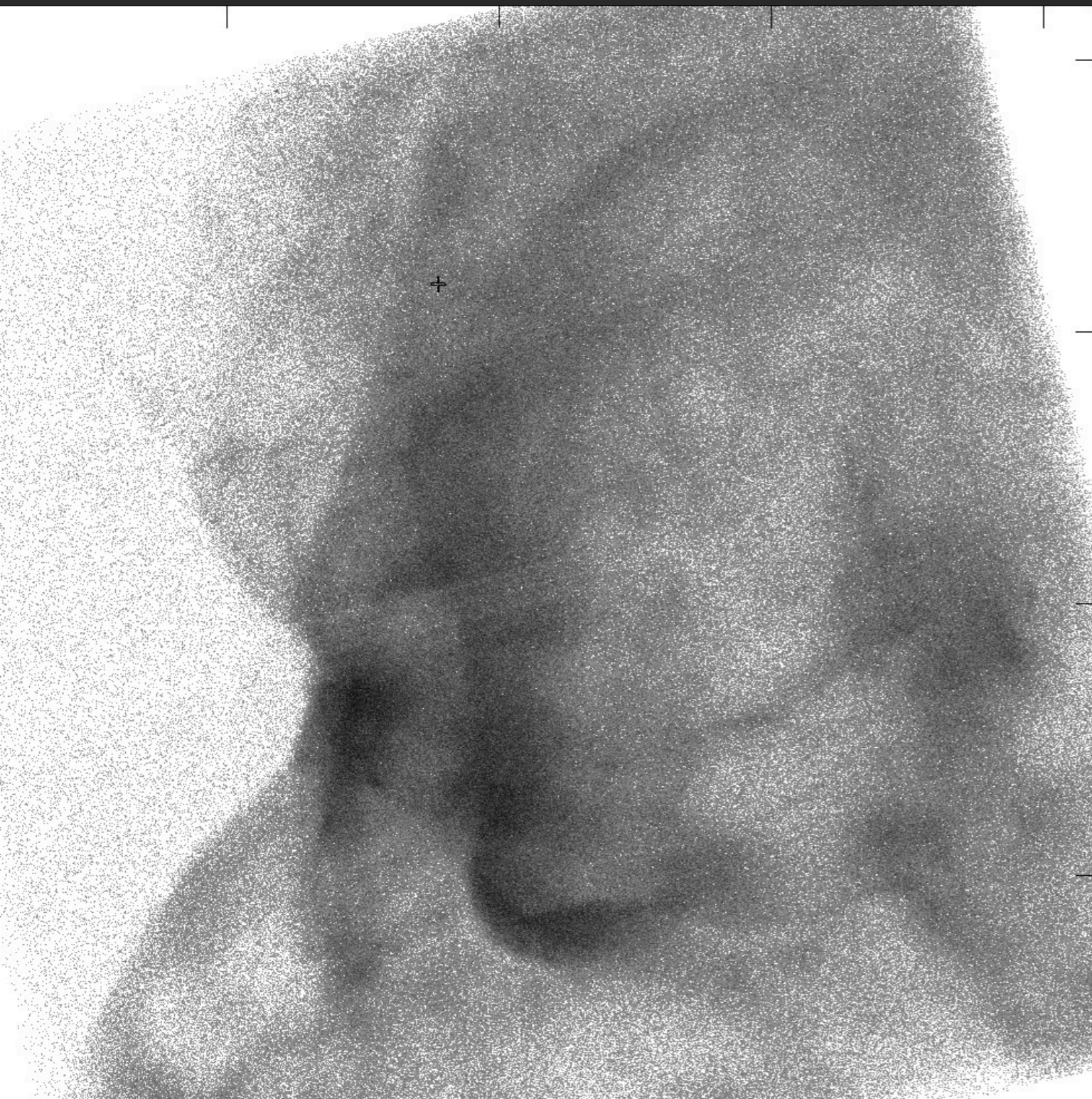
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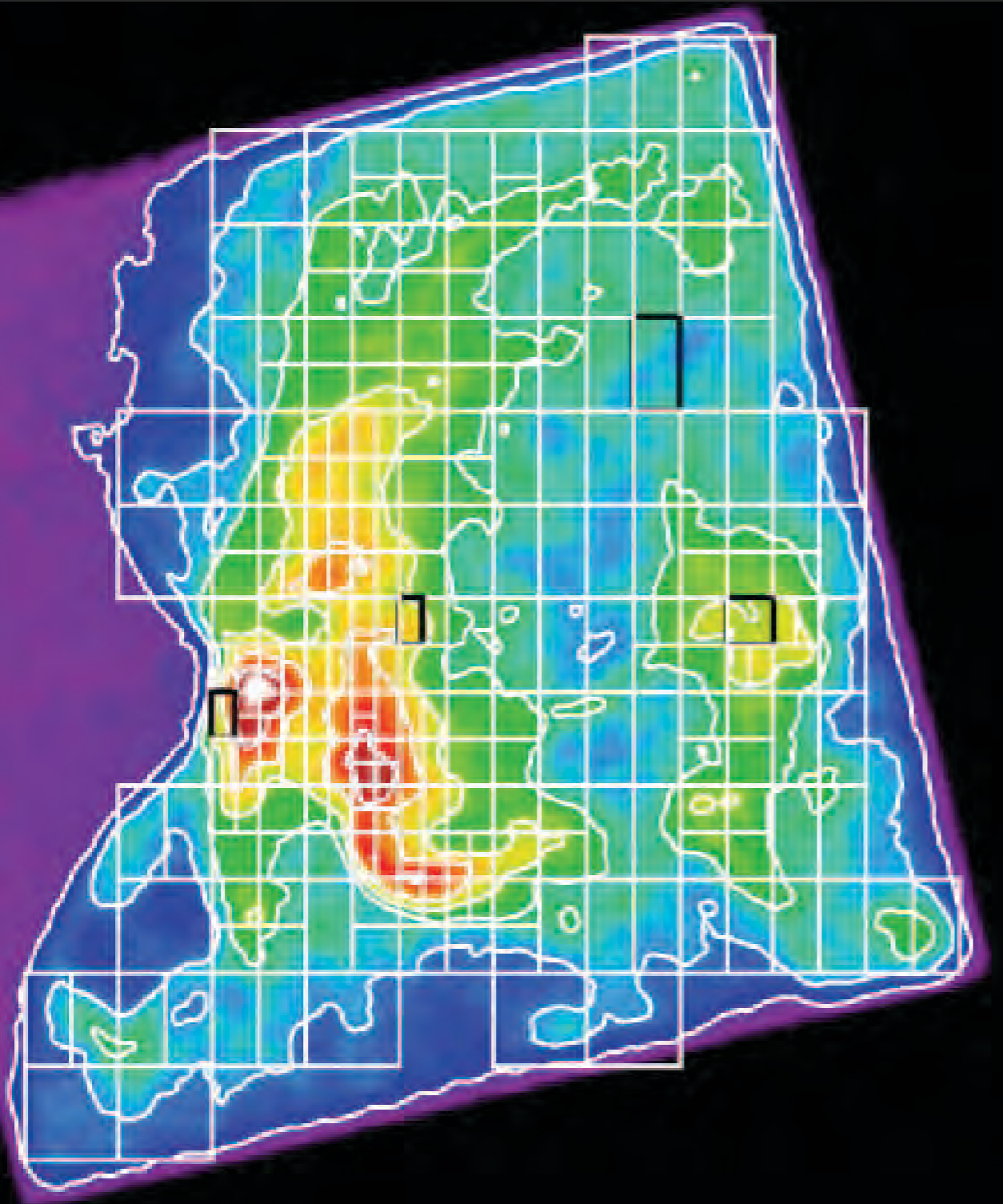
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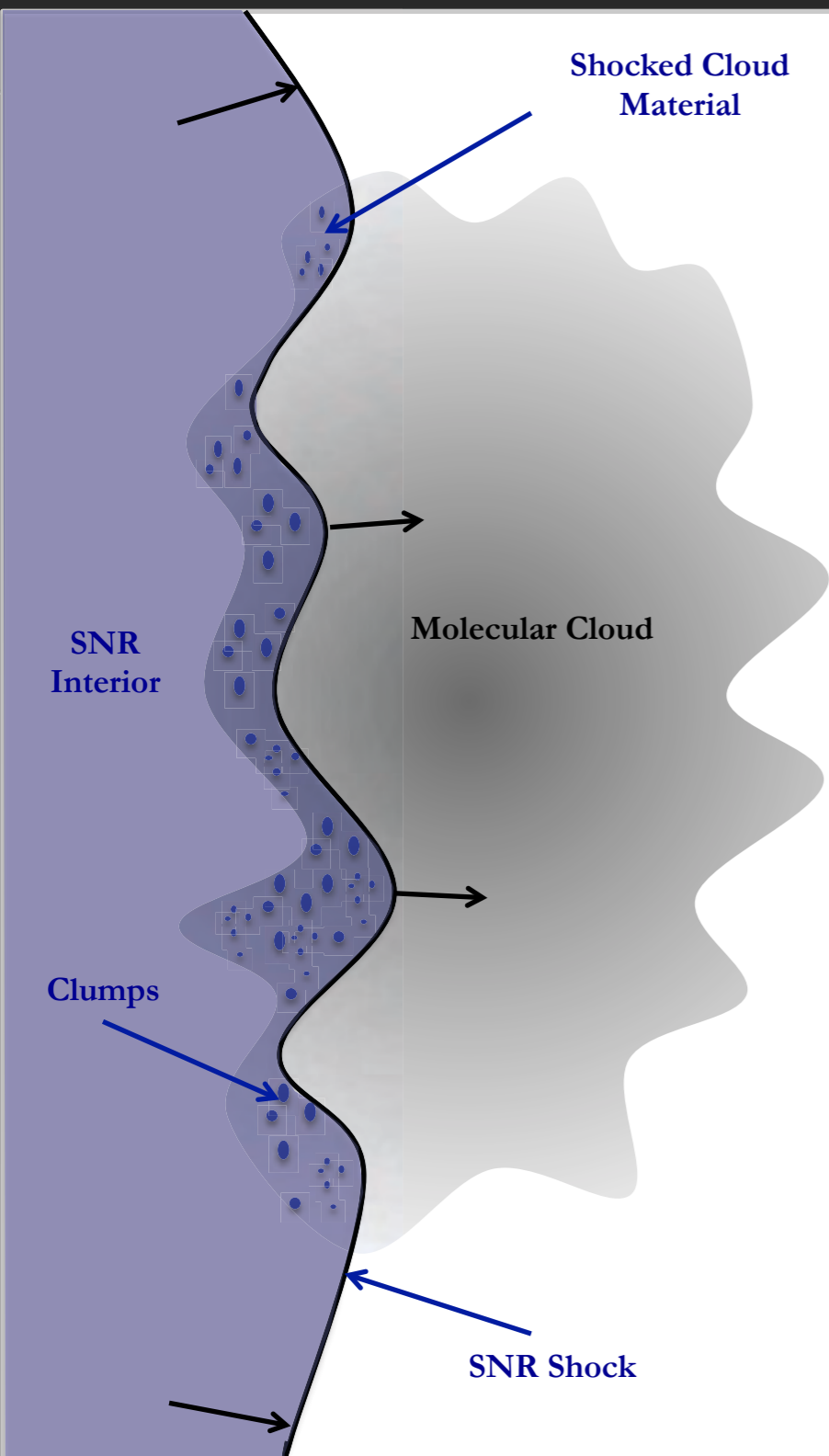
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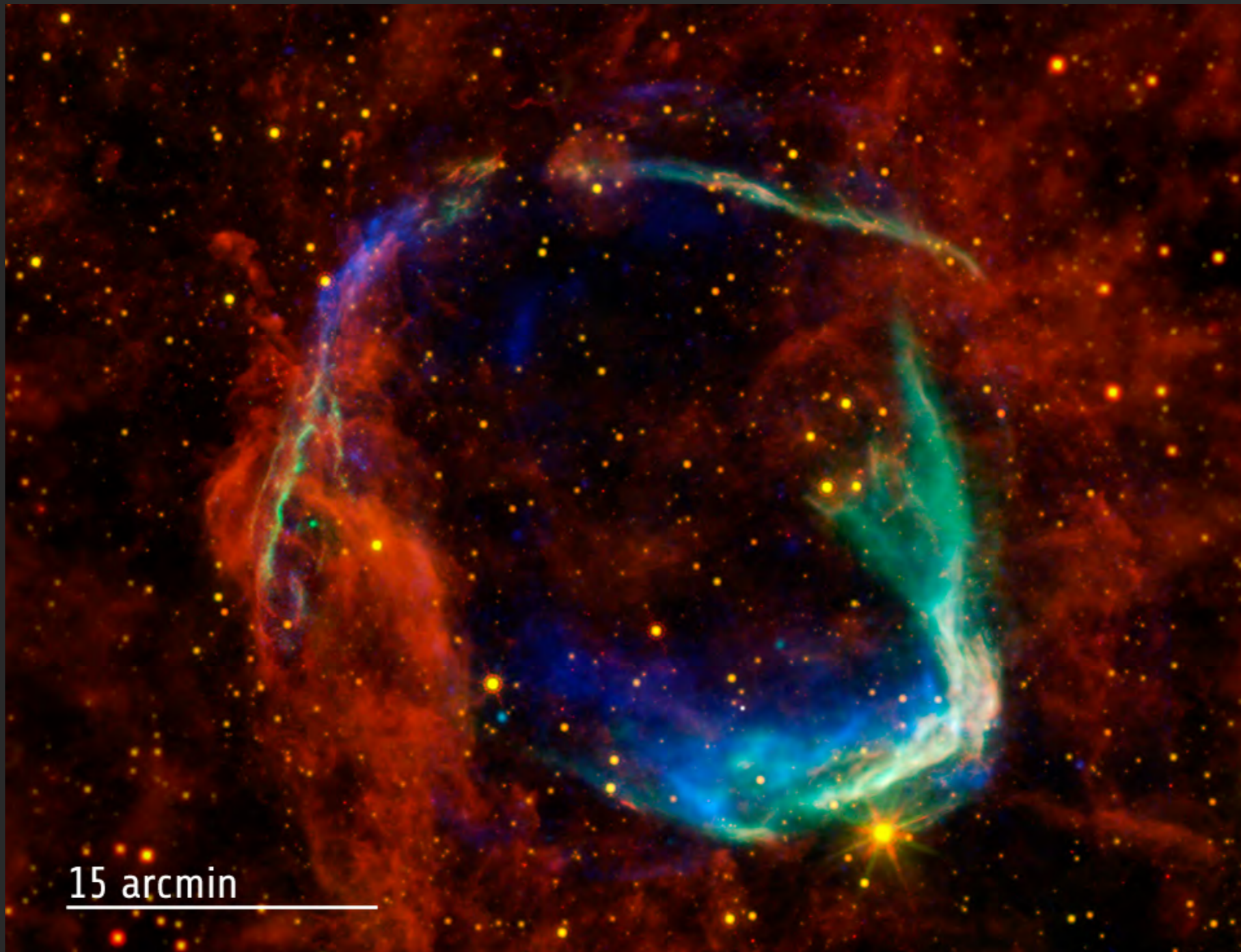
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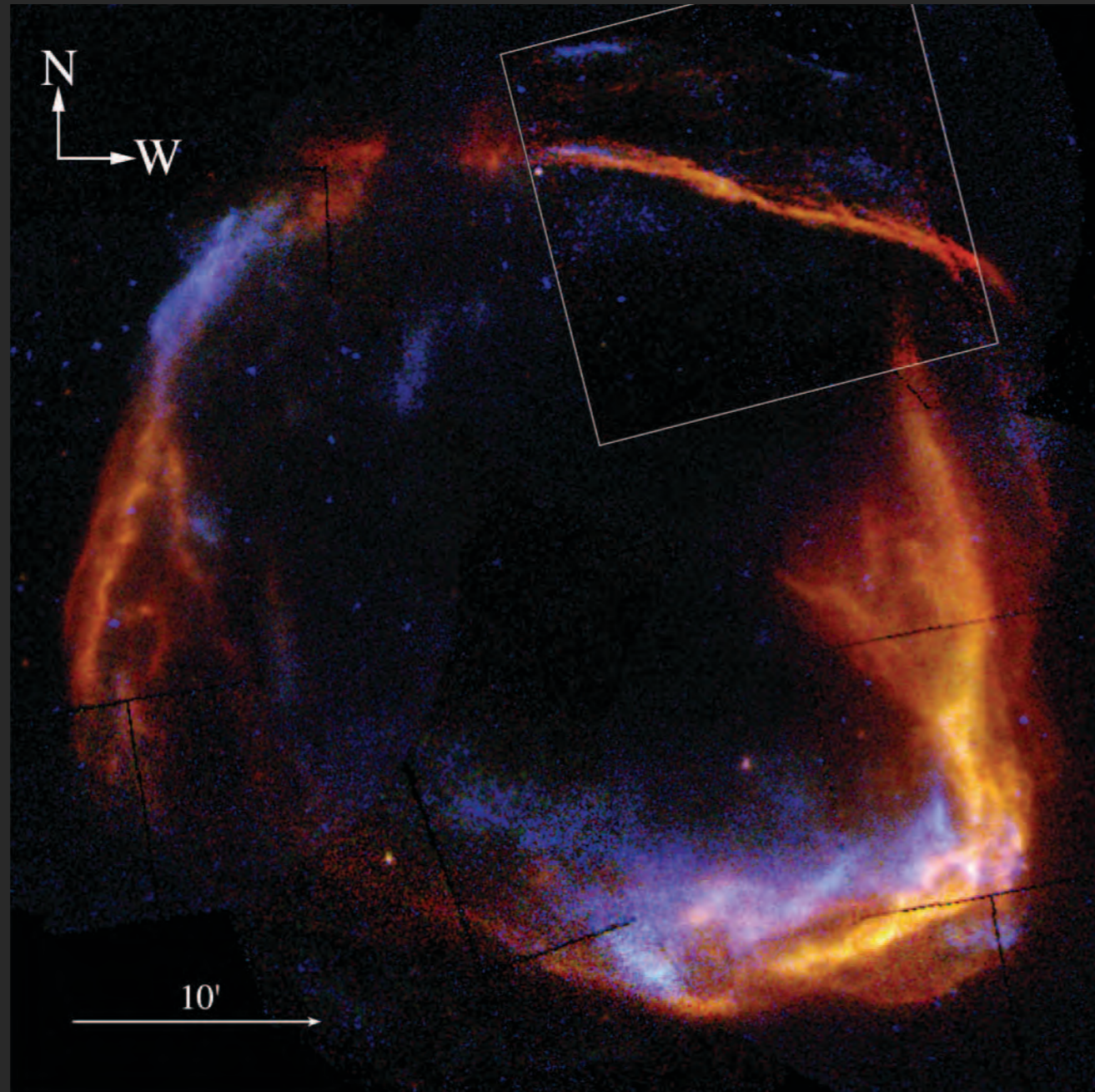
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red: spitzer 24 microns
(wise 22 microns)

chandra and xmm
green: 0.5-1.95 keV
blue: 1.95-6.8 keV

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chandra and xmm

red: 0.5 - 1 keV

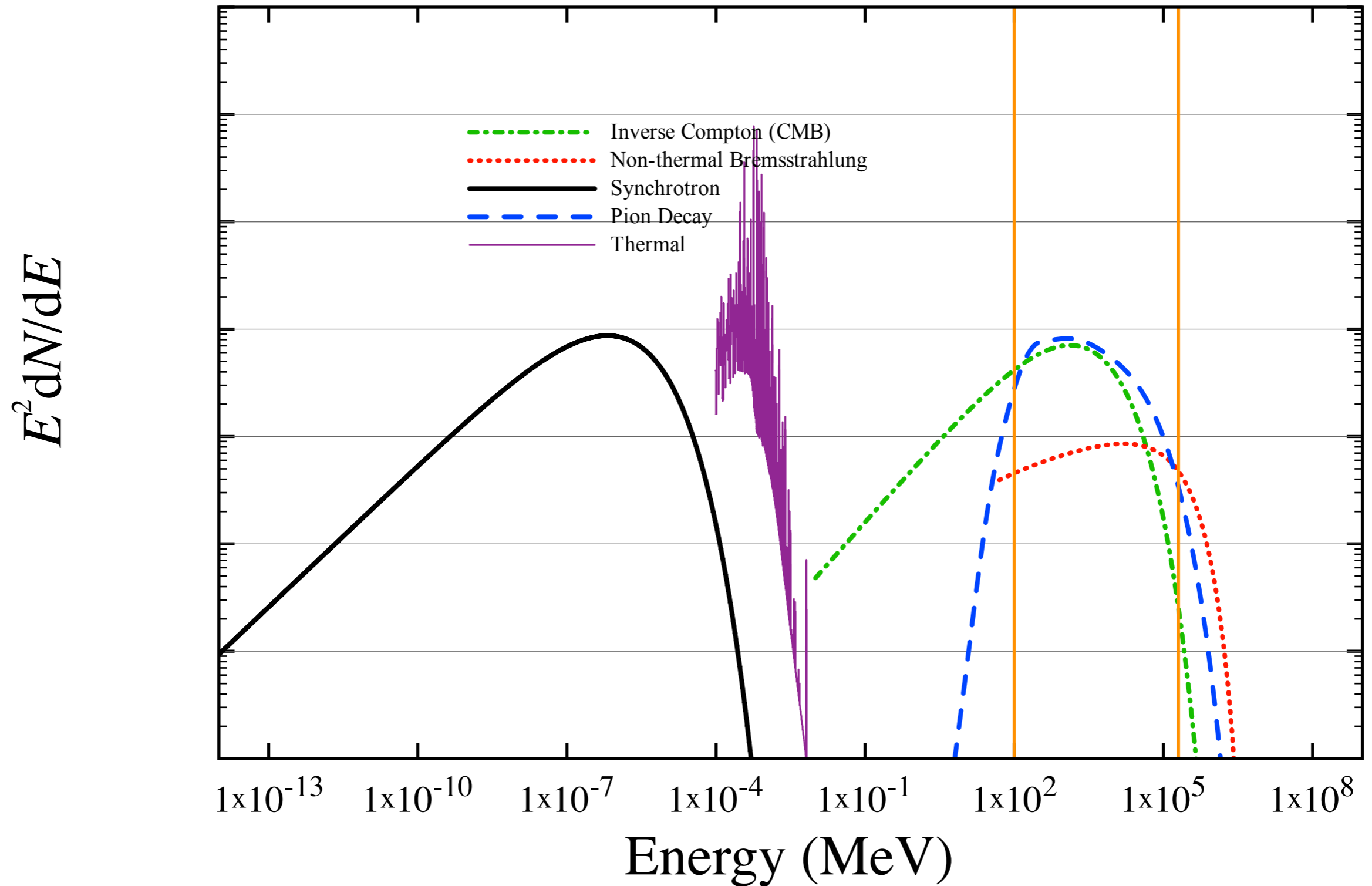
green: 1.5 - 2 keV

blue: 2 - 8 keV

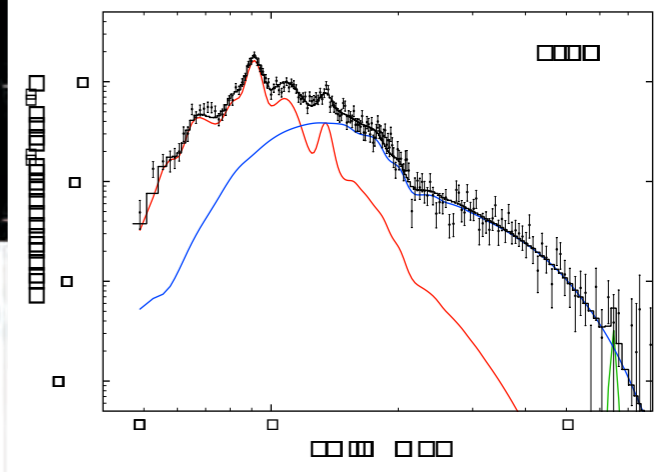
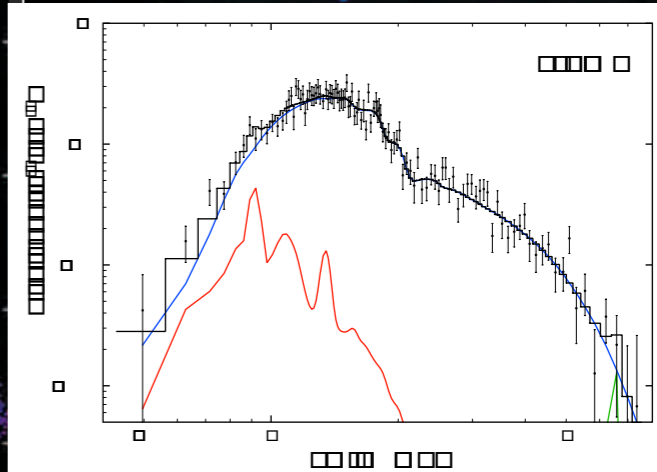
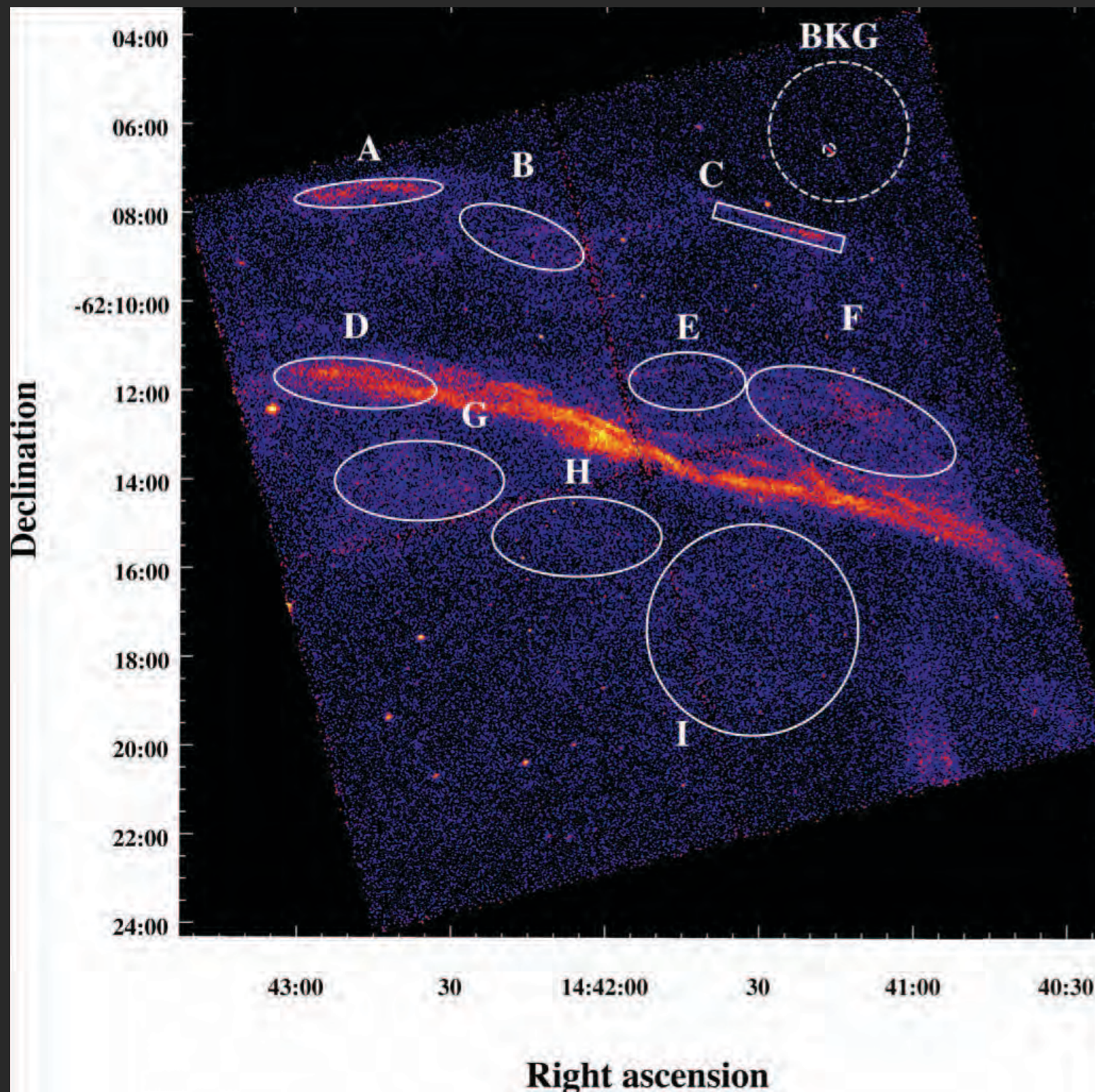
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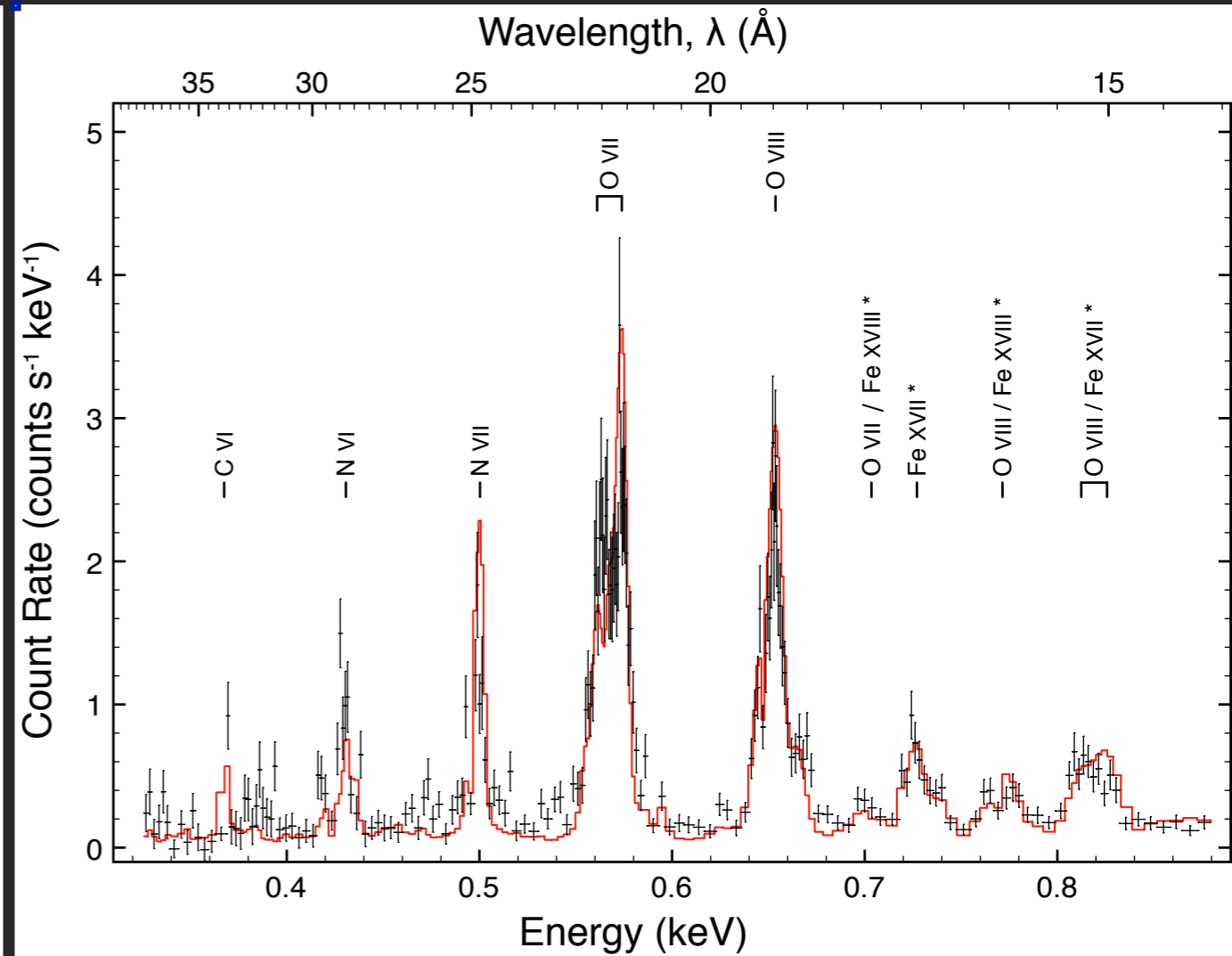
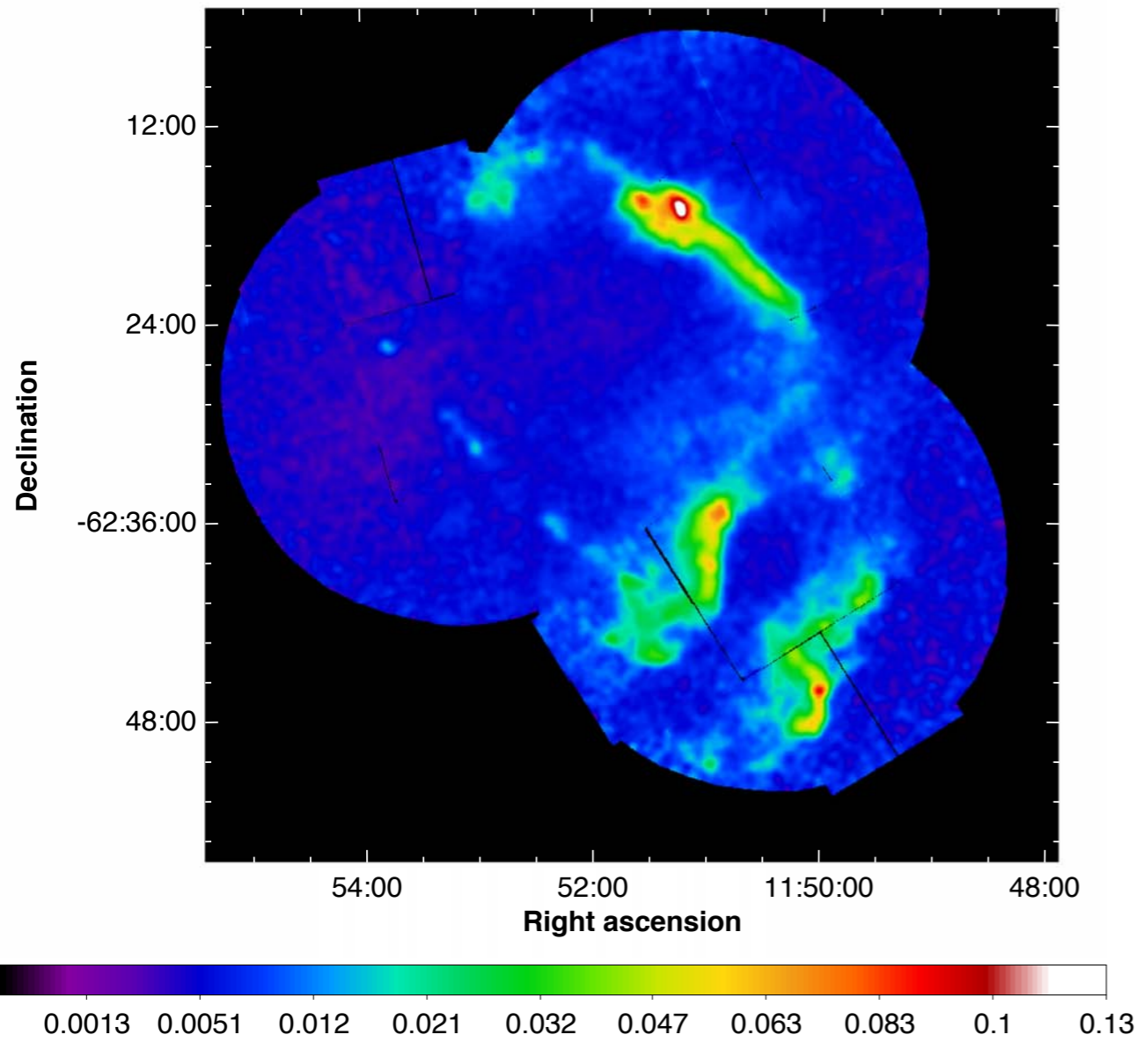
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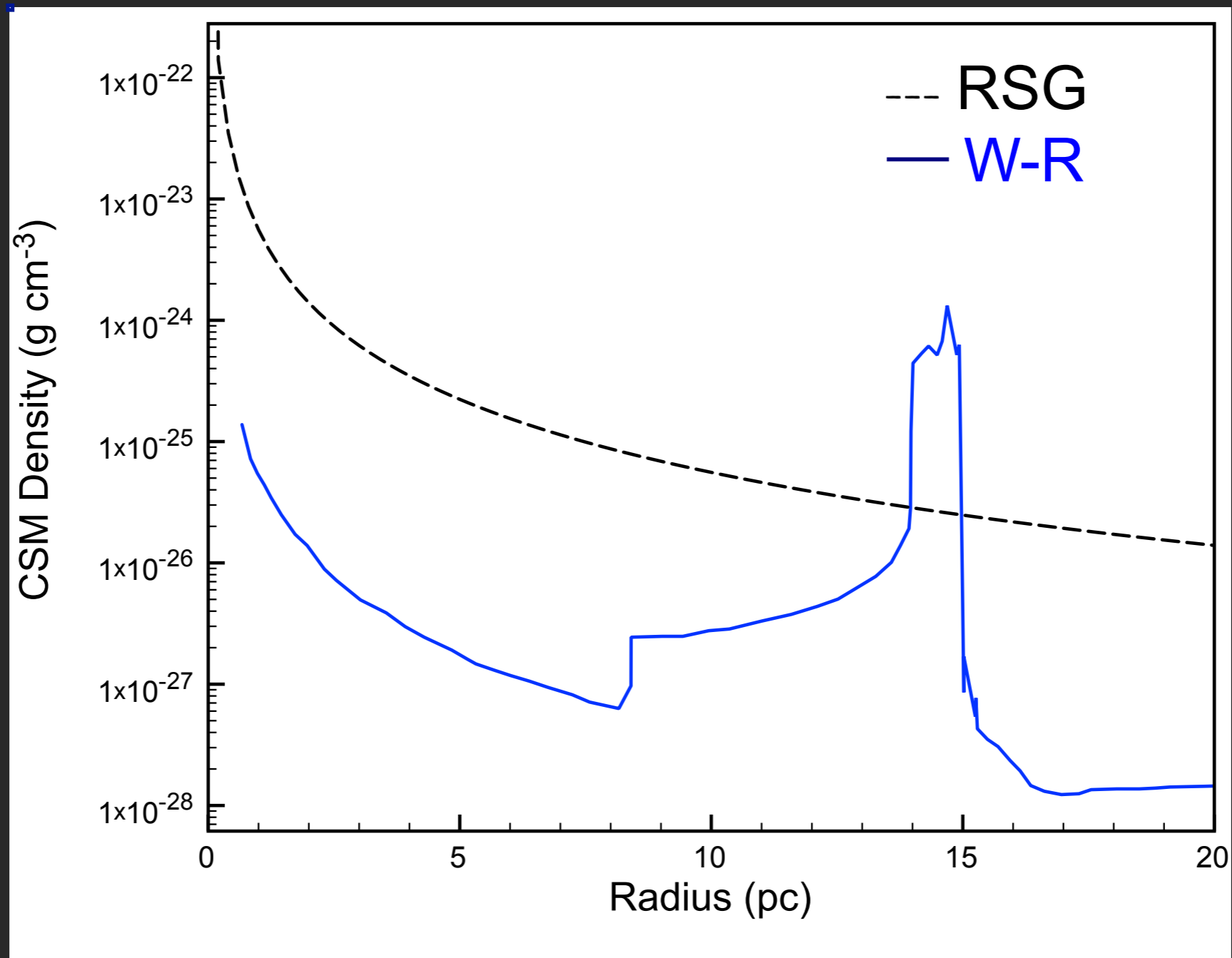


abundances

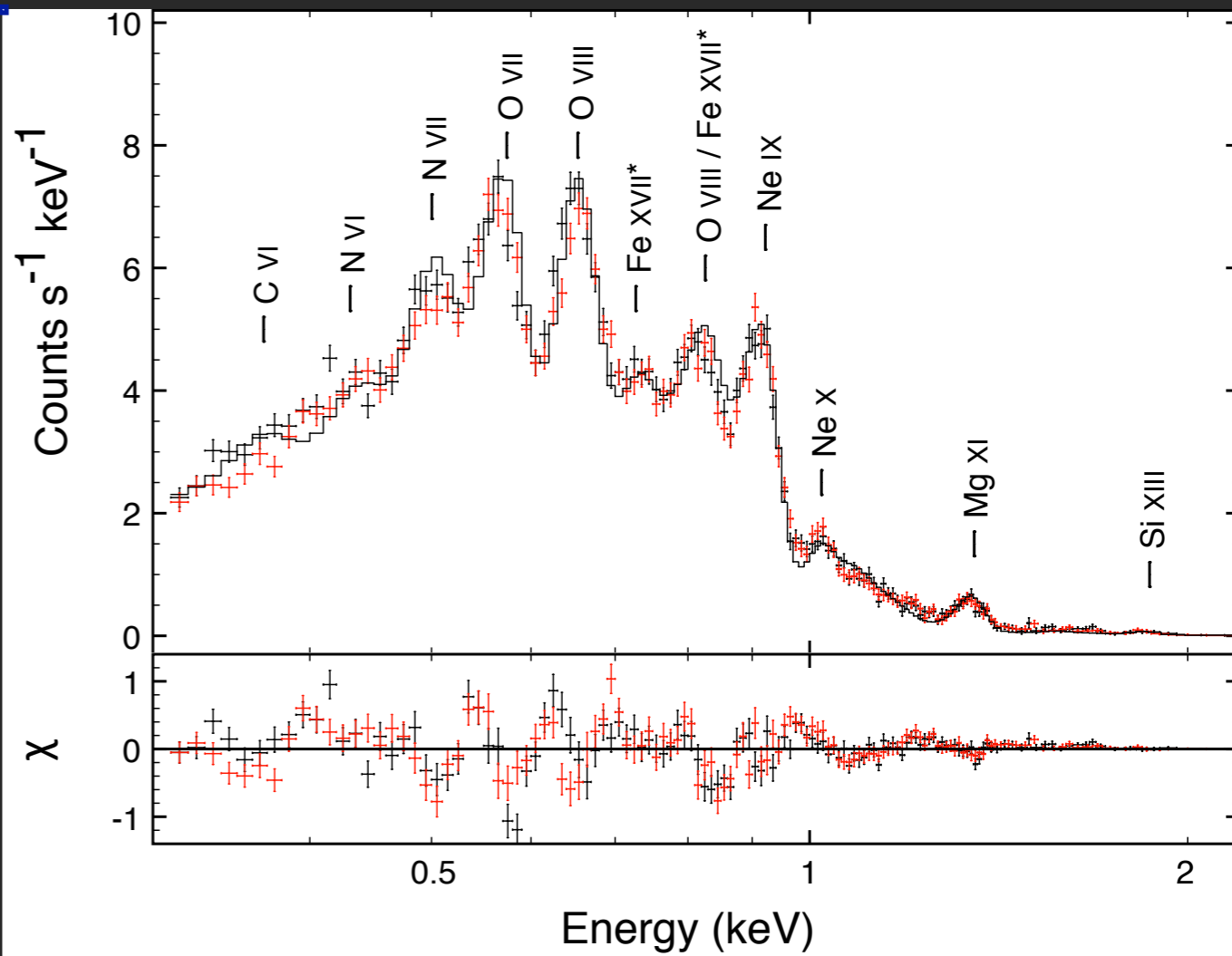
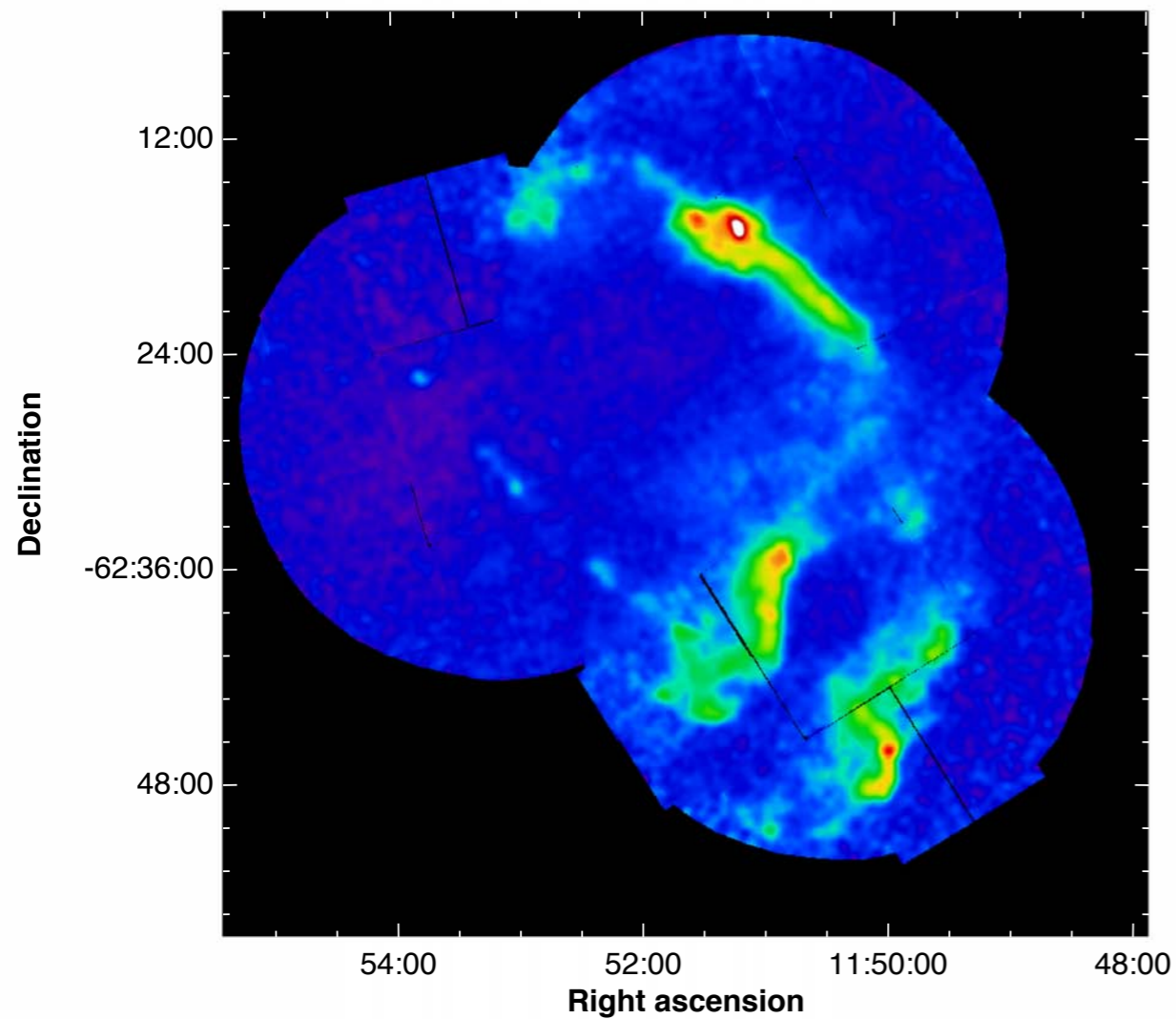
$$N = 1.85$$

$$O = 0.6$$

ii. thermal x-rays + progenitor?



ii. thermal x-rays



castro et al. (2011)

ii. thermal x-rays - sedov

- sedov expansion

$$R_S = \left[\frac{\alpha(\gamma)Et^2}{\rho_0} \right]^{1/5}$$

- Rankine-Hugoniot jump conditions

$$kT_S = \frac{2(\gamma - 1)}{(\gamma + 1)^2} \mu m_H v_S^2$$

- $EM = n_e n_H V$ \longrightarrow

$$EM = \frac{(\gamma + 1)}{(\gamma - 1)} \left(\frac{n_e}{n_H} \right) n_0^2 \frac{4}{3} \pi R_S^3$$

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$$n_0 = 40.64 \left(\frac{EM}{10^{60} \text{ cm}^{-3}} \right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{R_S}{1 \text{ pc}} \right)^{-3/2} \text{ cm}^{-3},$$

$$t = 423.9 \left(\frac{kT_S}{1 \text{ keV}} \right)^{-1/2} \left(\frac{R_S}{1 \text{ pc}} \right) \text{ yr},$$

$$E_0 = 0.075 \left(\frac{EM}{10^{60} \text{ cm}^{-3}} \right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{kT_S}{1 \text{ keV}} \right) \left(\frac{R_S}{1 \text{ pc}} \right)^{3/2} \times 10^{51} \text{ ergs}.$$

ii. balmer-dominated shocks

what are **balmer-dominated shocks**? why are they important to SNR science?

ii. balmer-dominated shocks

impact excitation of neutral hydrogen

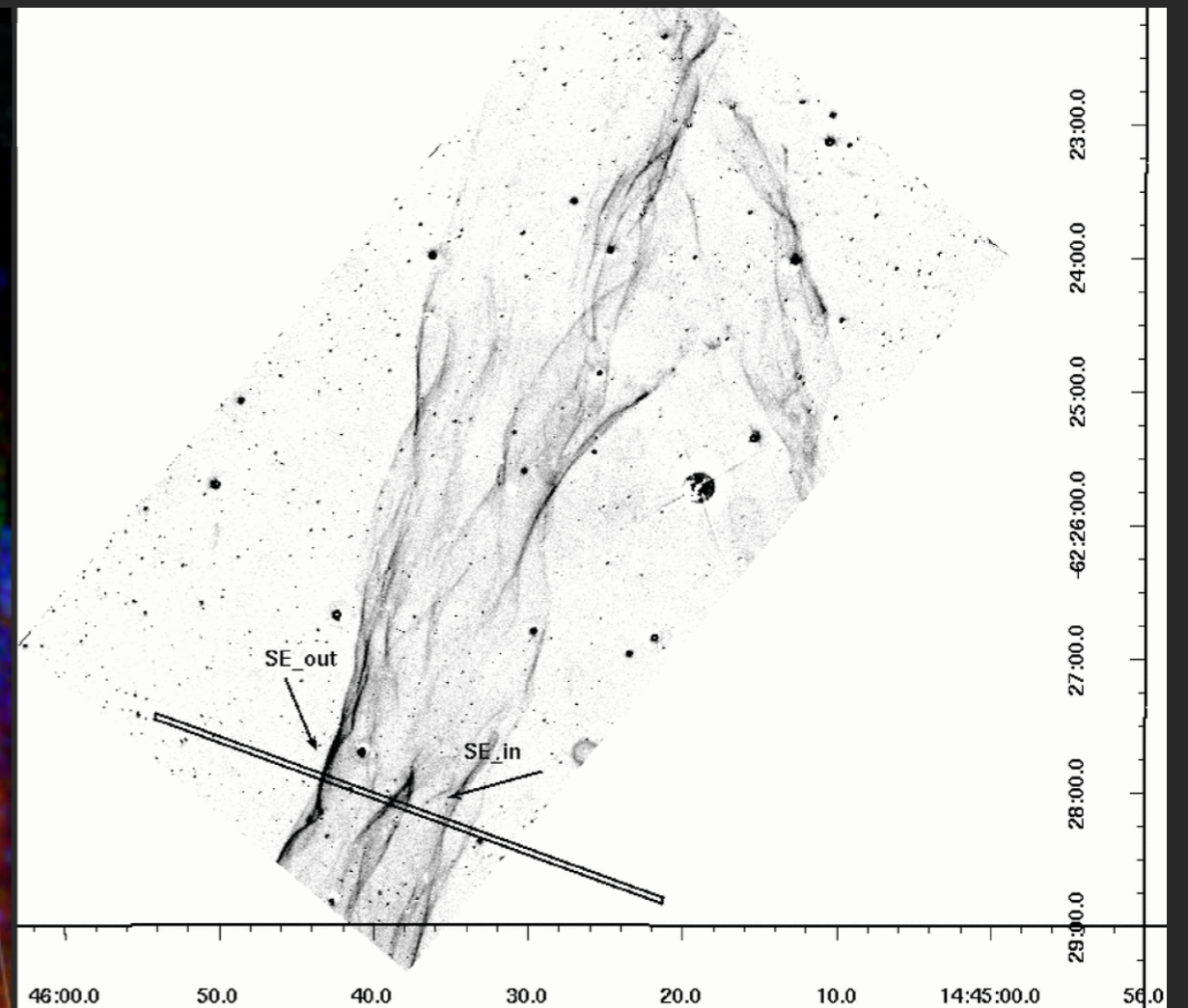
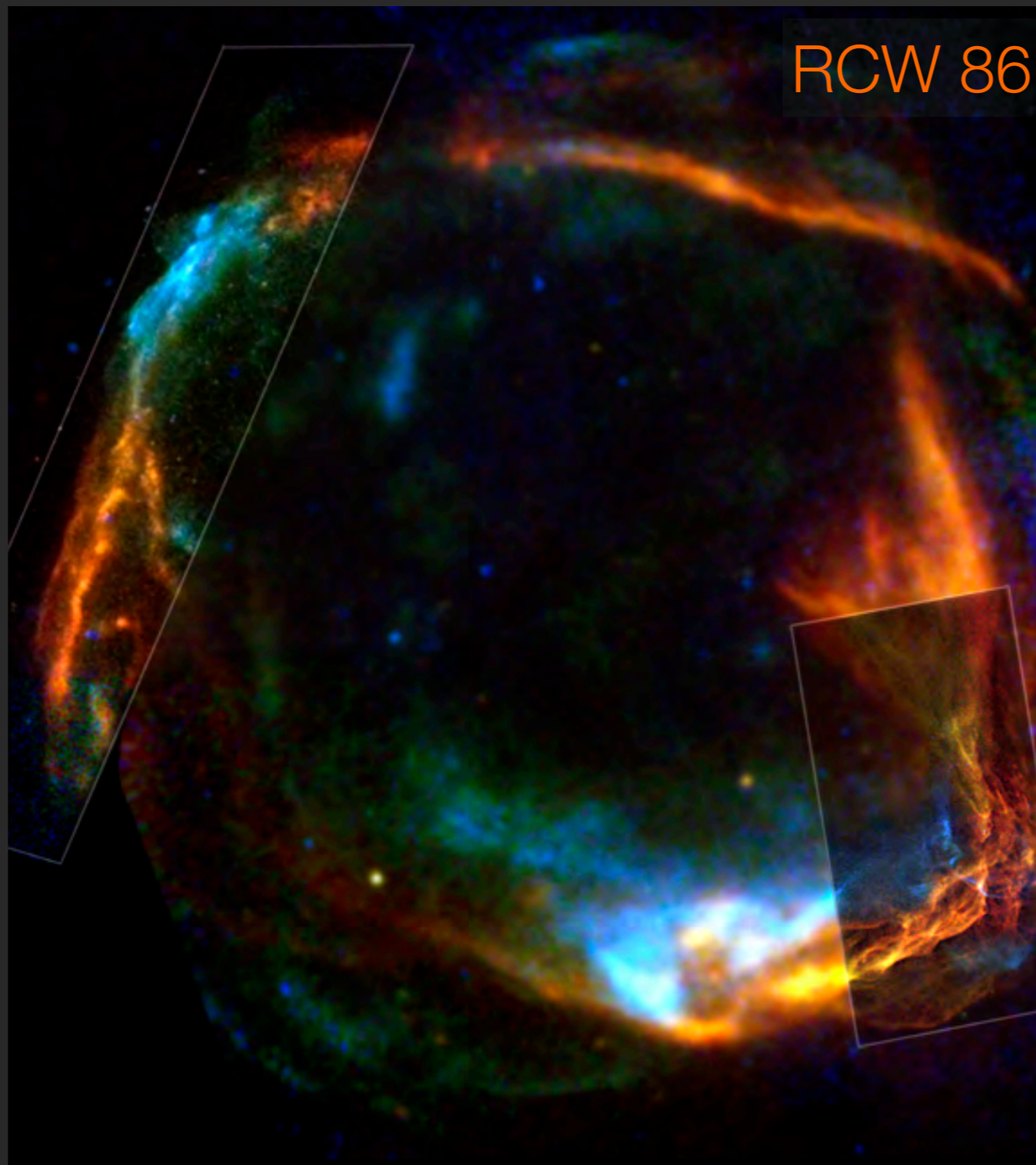
two components: narrow and broad

narrow – cold pre-shock gas

broad – thermal broadening of shocked protons

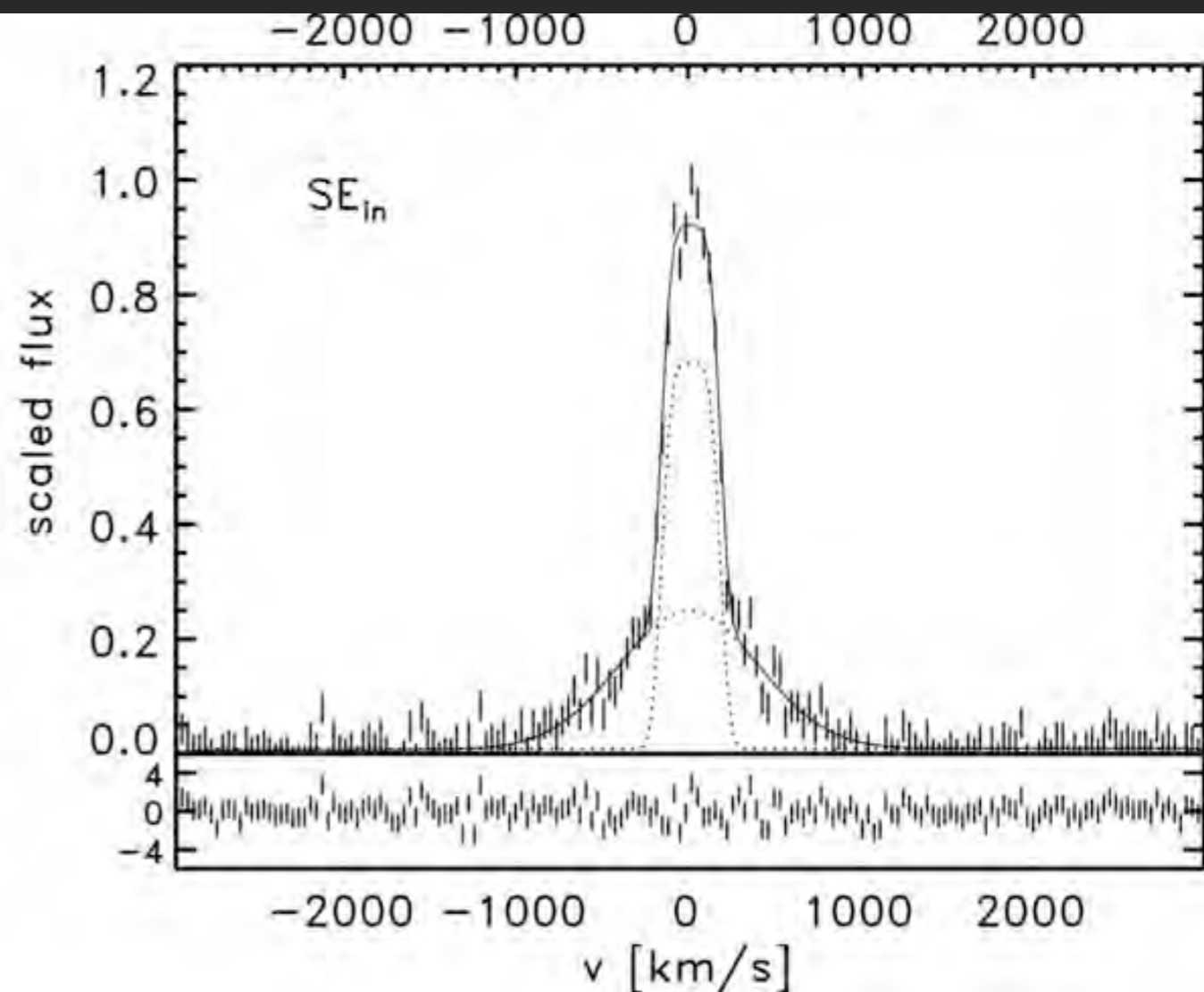
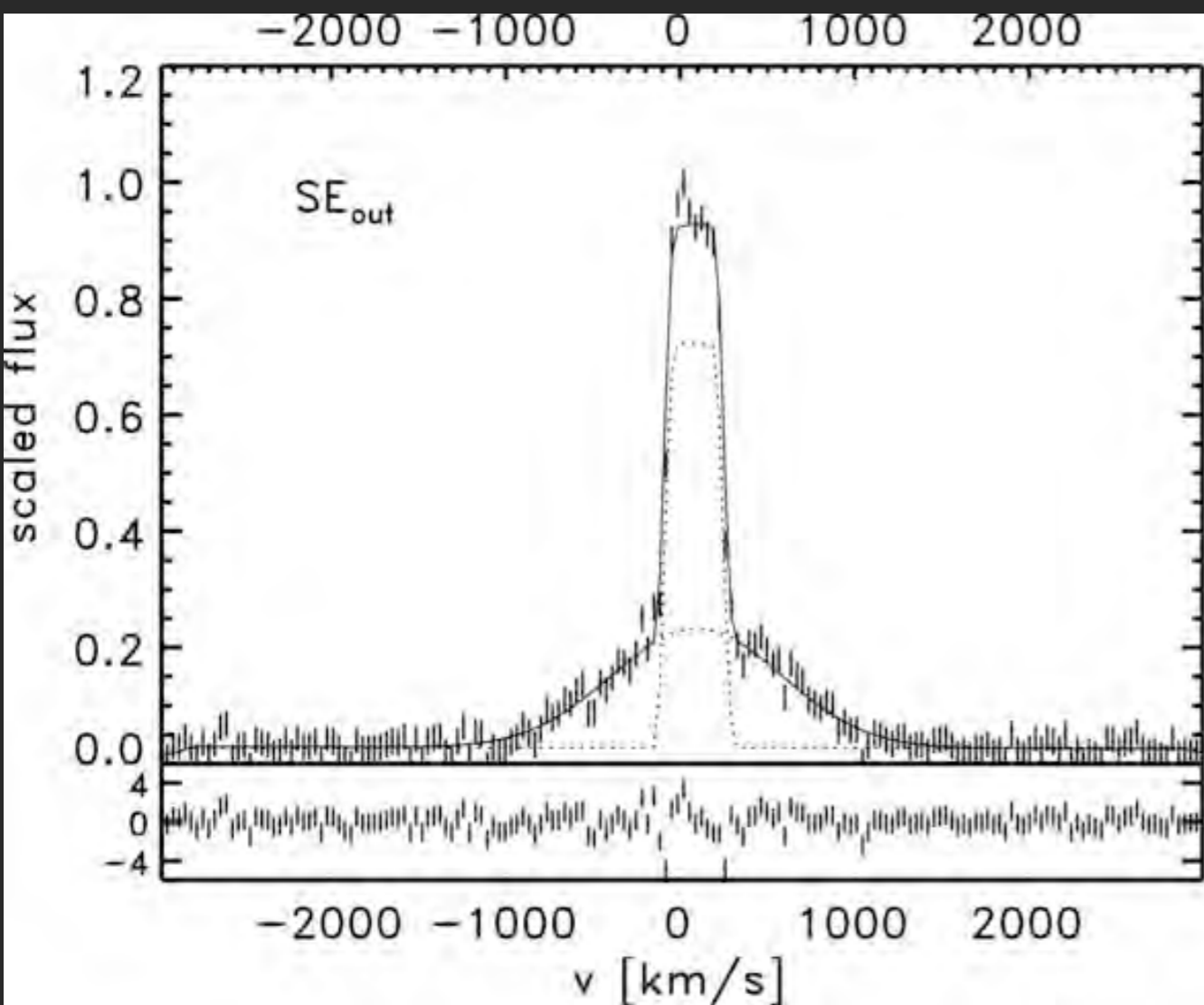
weak presence of forbidden lines

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helder, vink & bassa (2011)

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end of part I

up to now...

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part II: particle acceleration

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what **evidence** is there that SNRs accelerate cosmic rays?

how has the **fermi-lat** contributed?

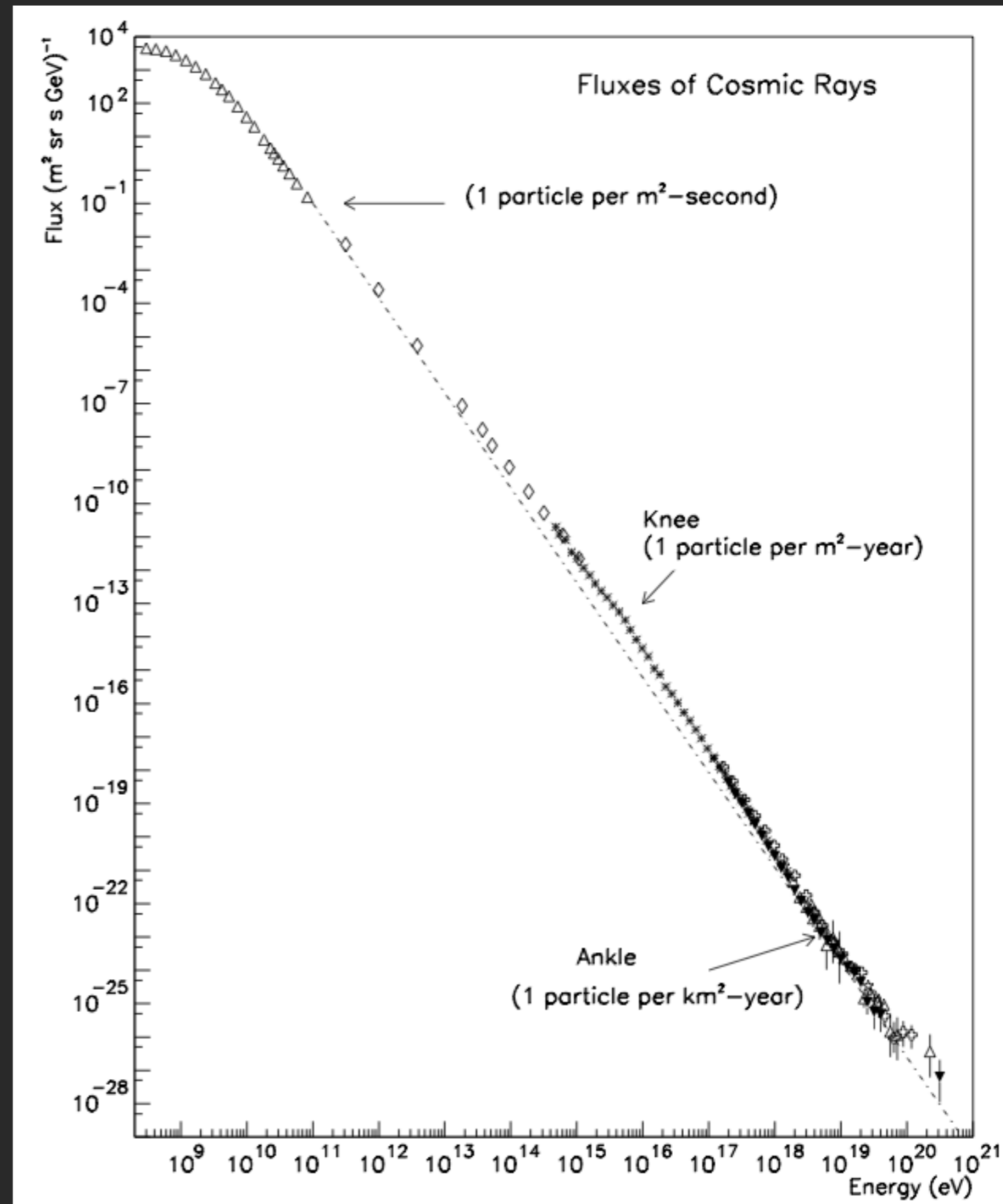
what are the **open questions**?

i. why?

why should we care about the connection between SNRs and cosmic rays?

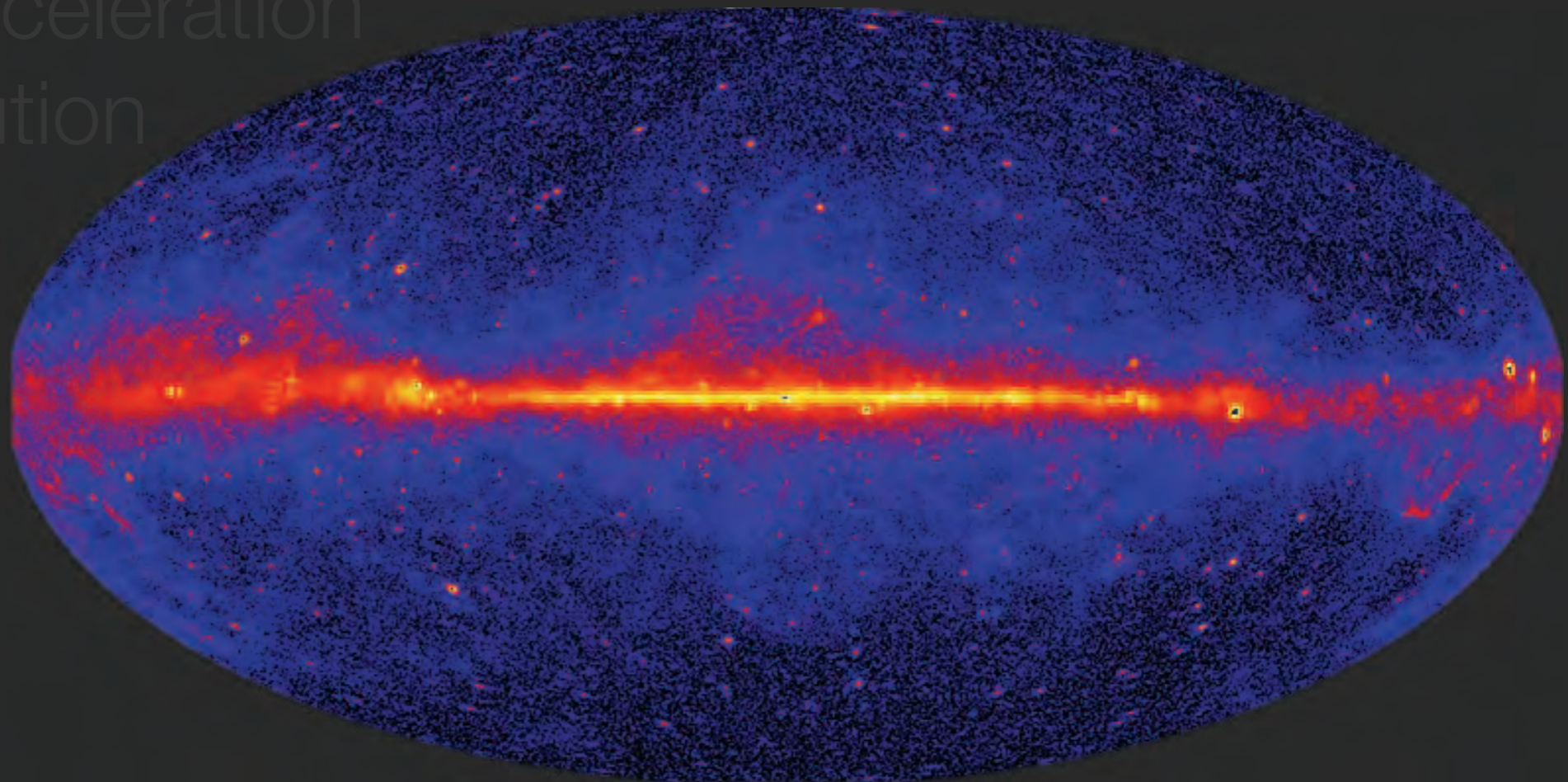
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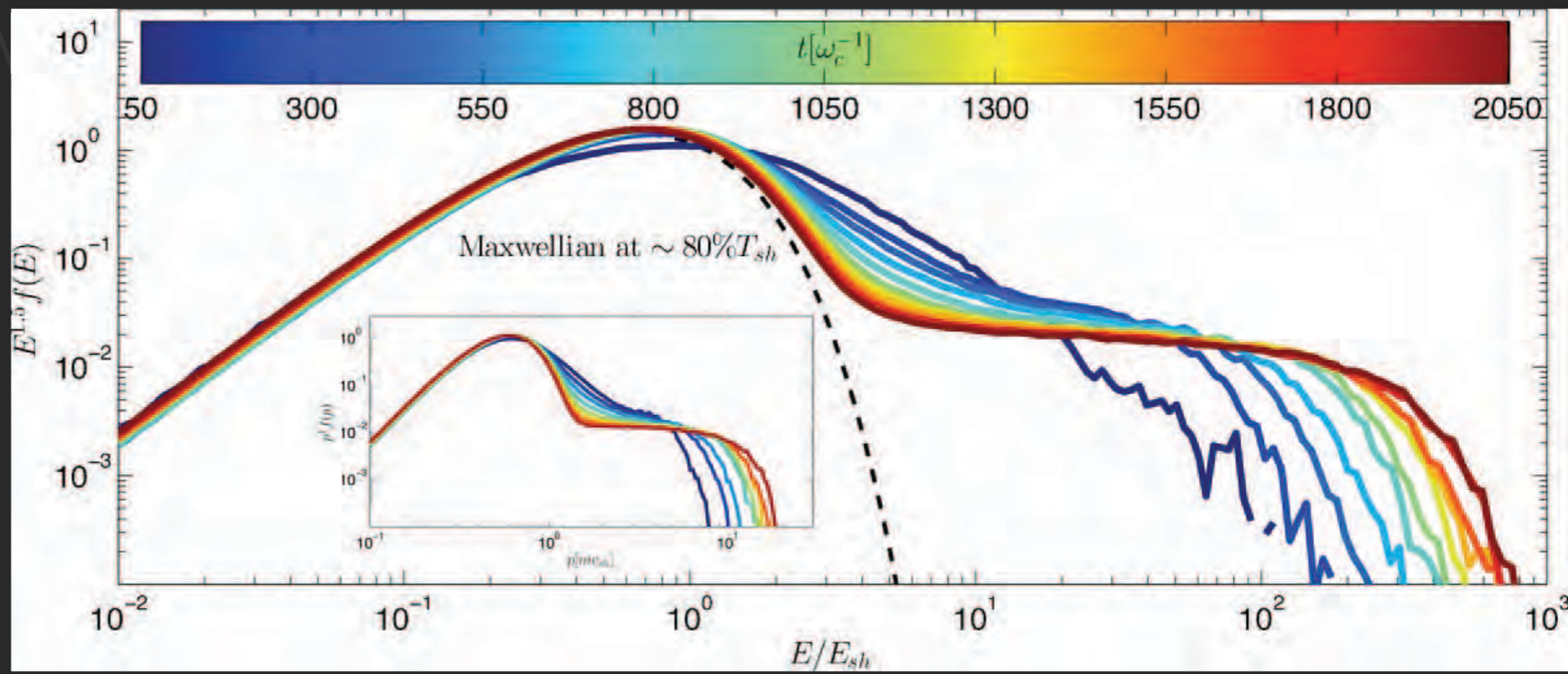
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caprioli & spitkovsky 2014



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what **evidence** is there that SNRs accelerate cosmic rays?

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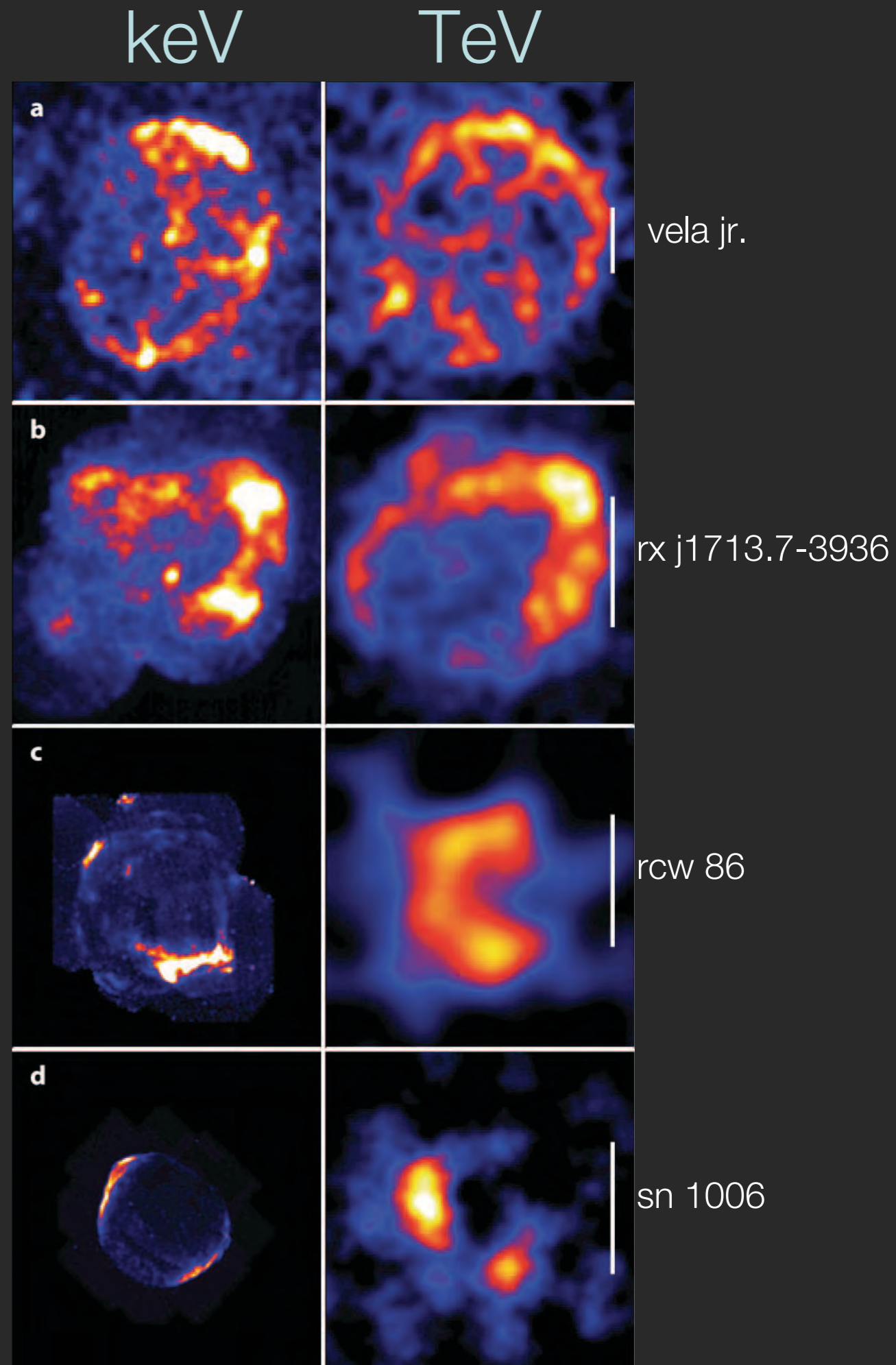
koyama+ 1995



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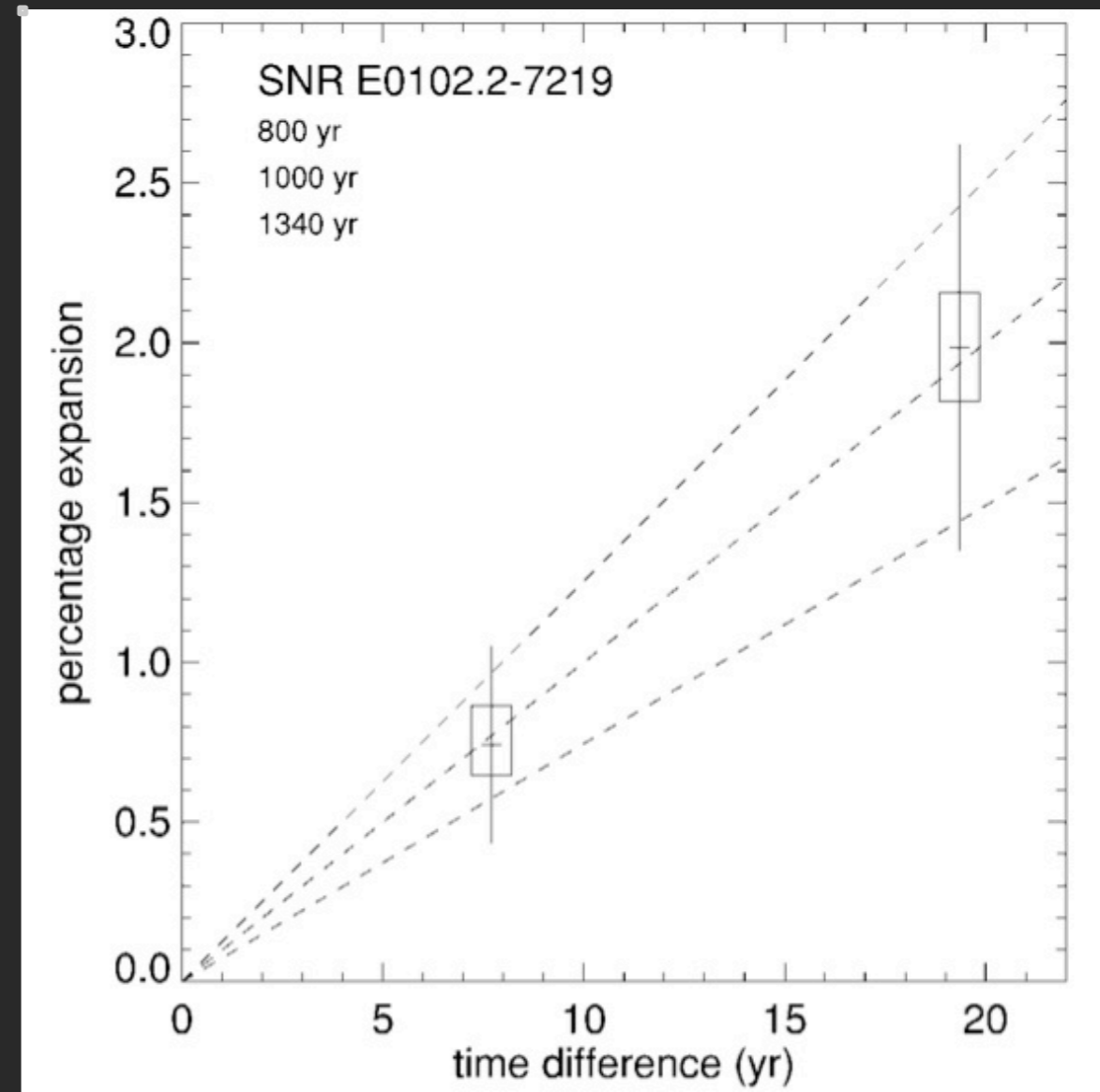
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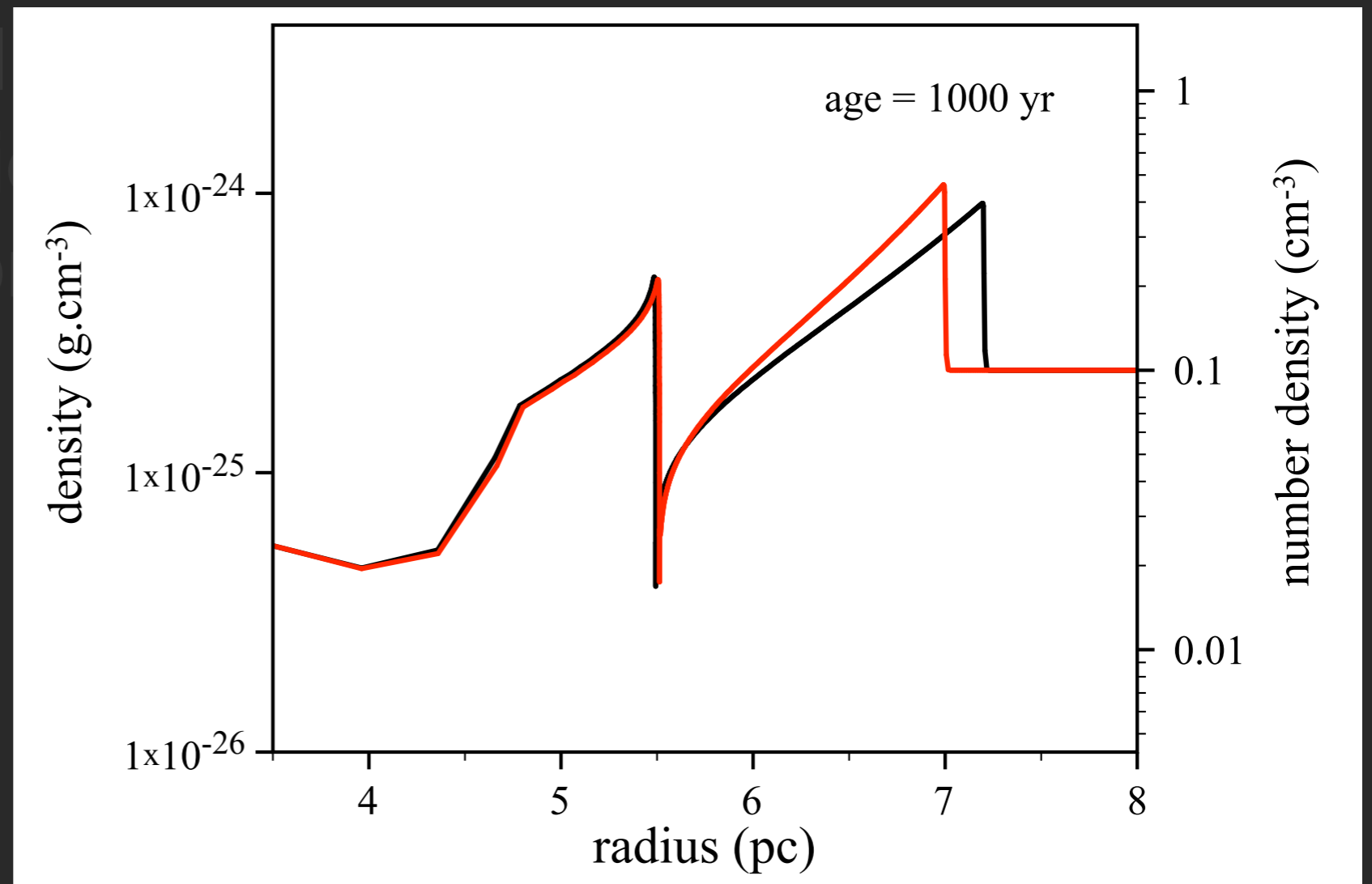
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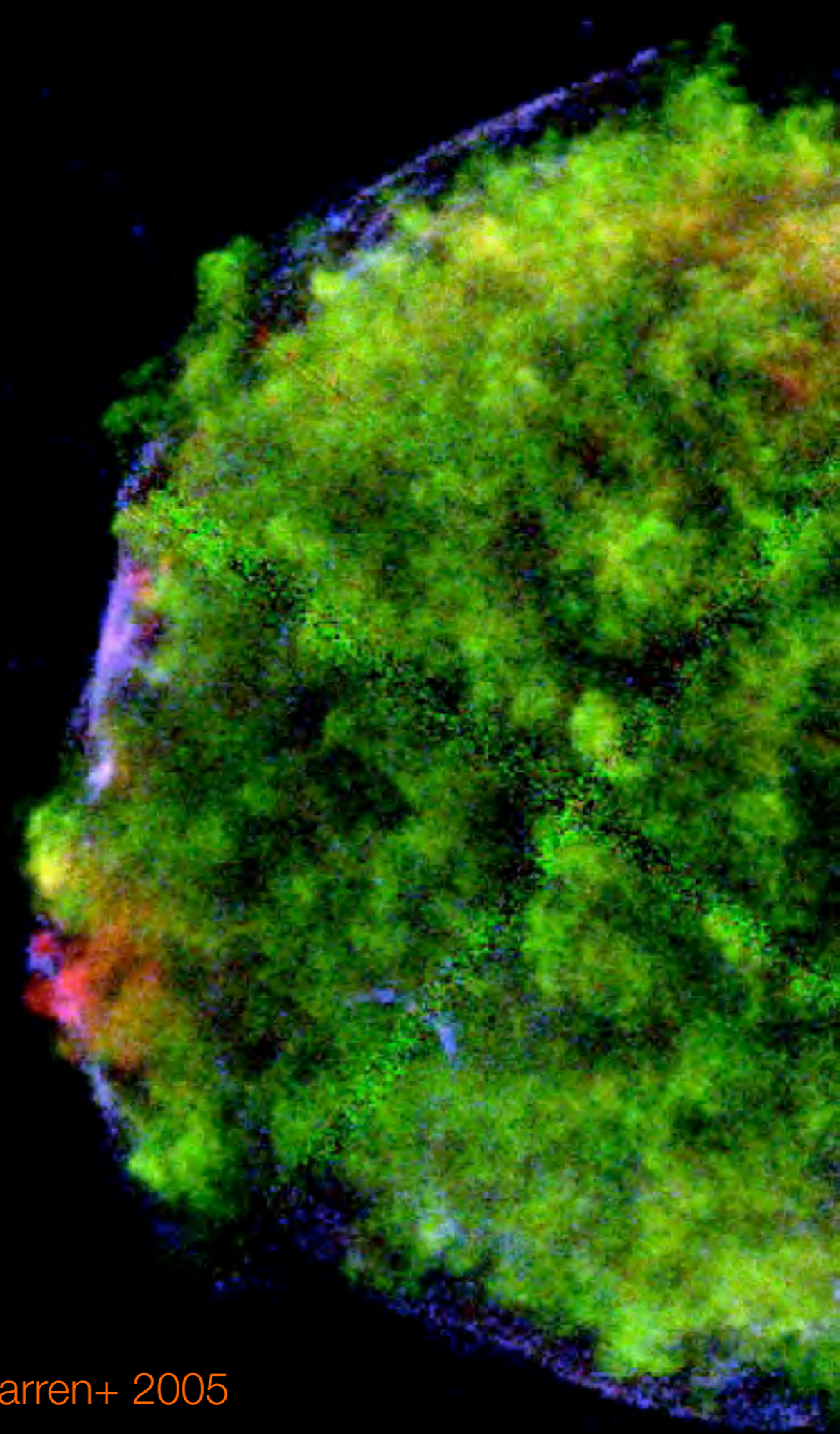
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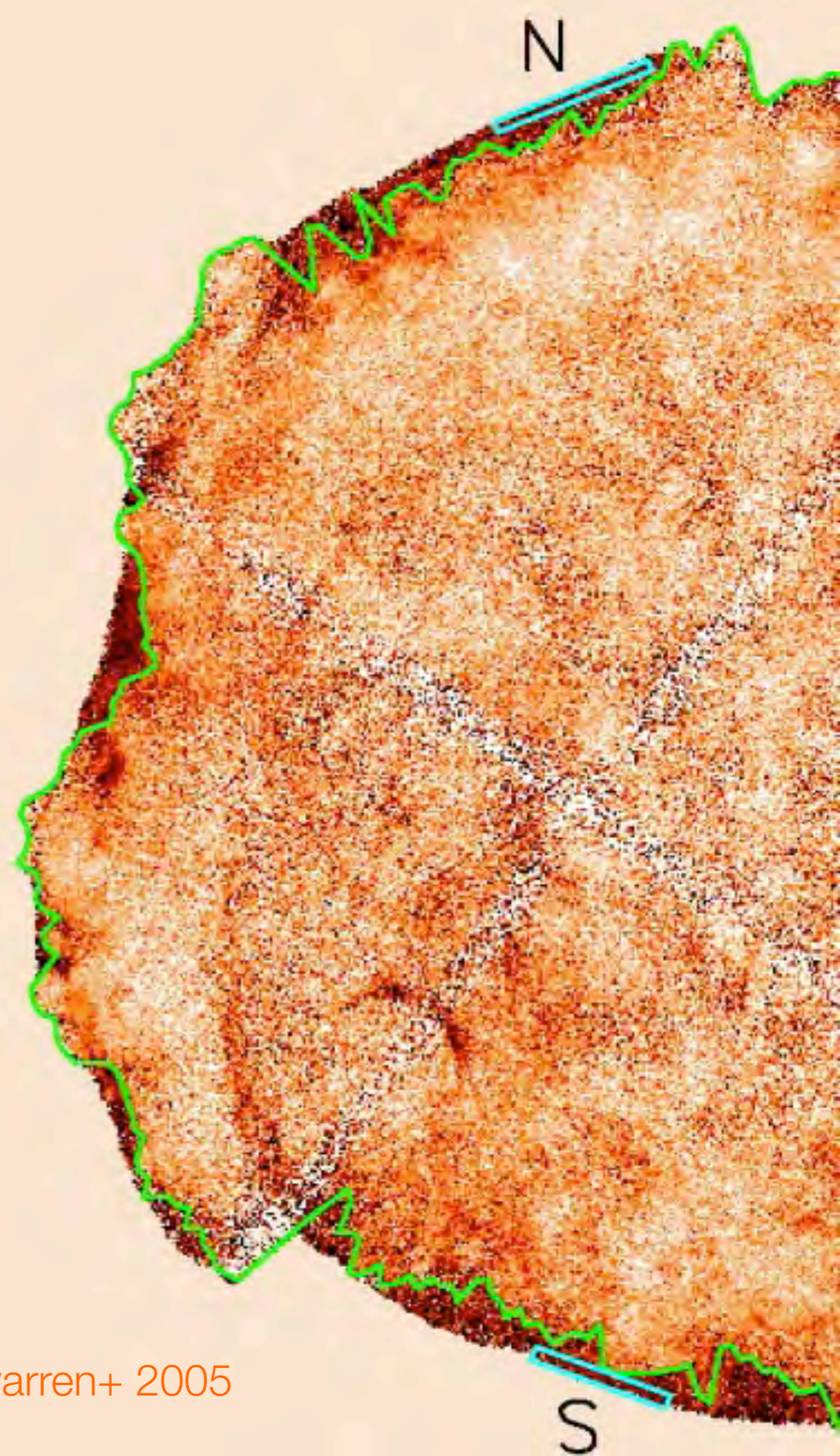
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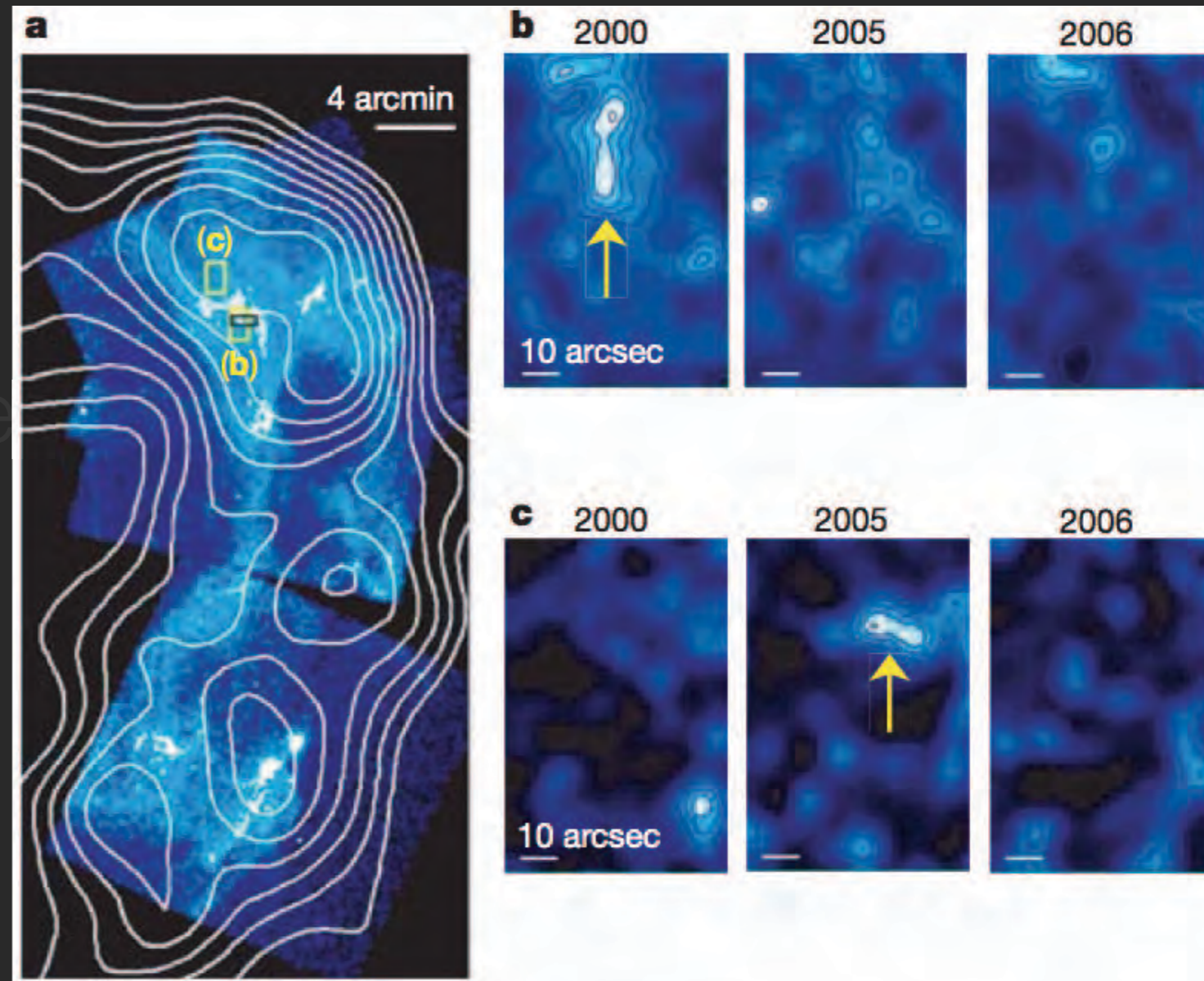


warren+ 2005

ii. evidence

$$t_{\text{sync}} \sim 1.5 \left(\frac{B}{\text{mG}} \right)^{-1.5} \left(\frac{\epsilon}{\text{keV}} \right)^{-0.5} \text{ year}$$

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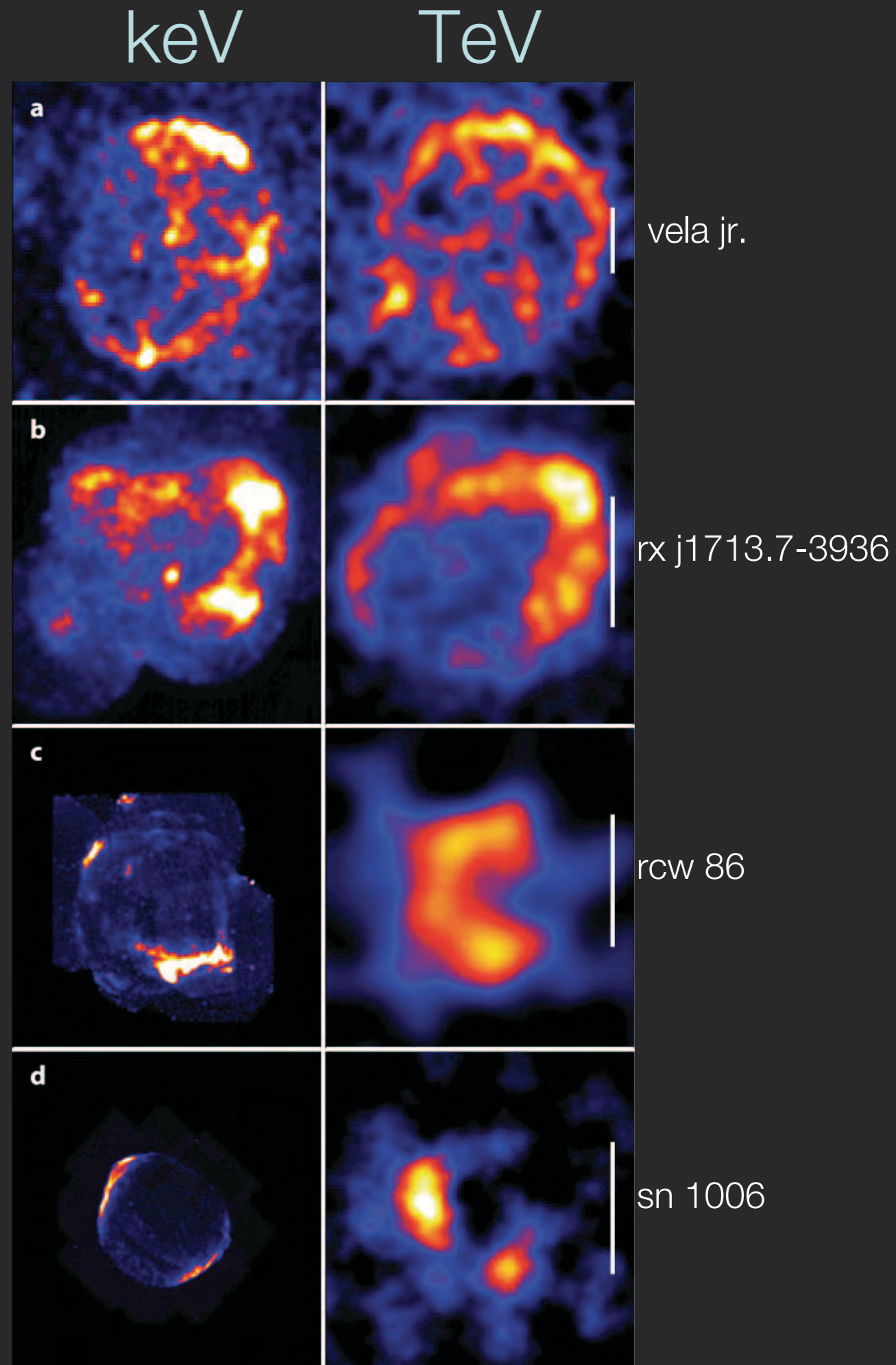
iii. fermi-lat

how has the **fermi-lat** contributed?

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LAT SNR catalog
(sometime in the next few months)

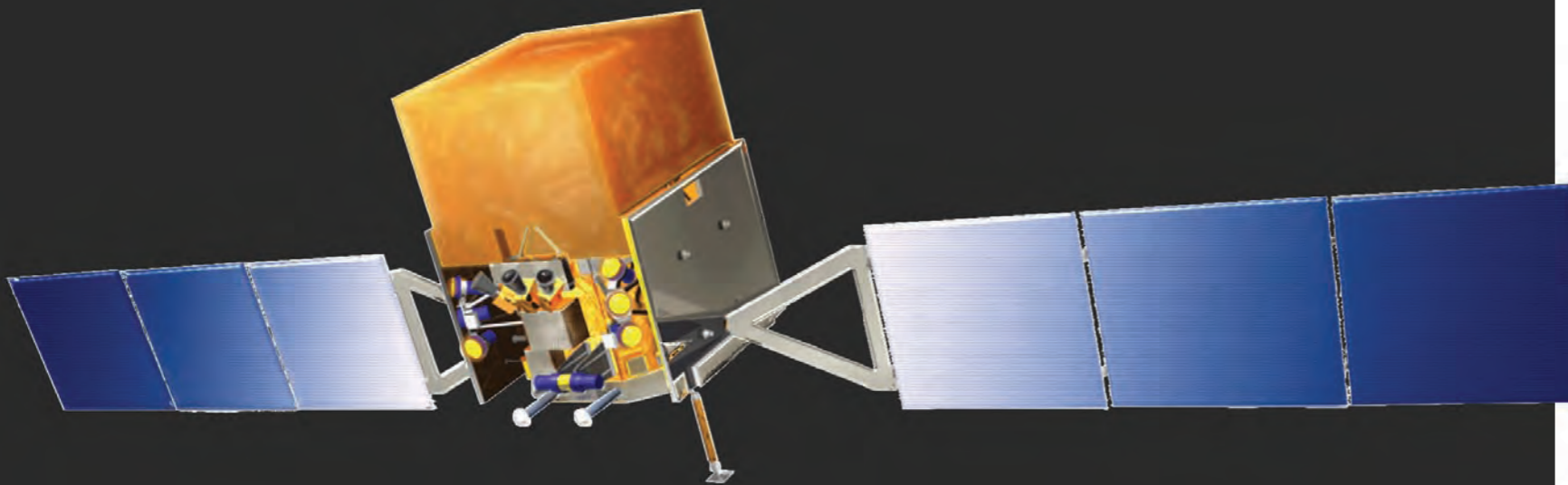


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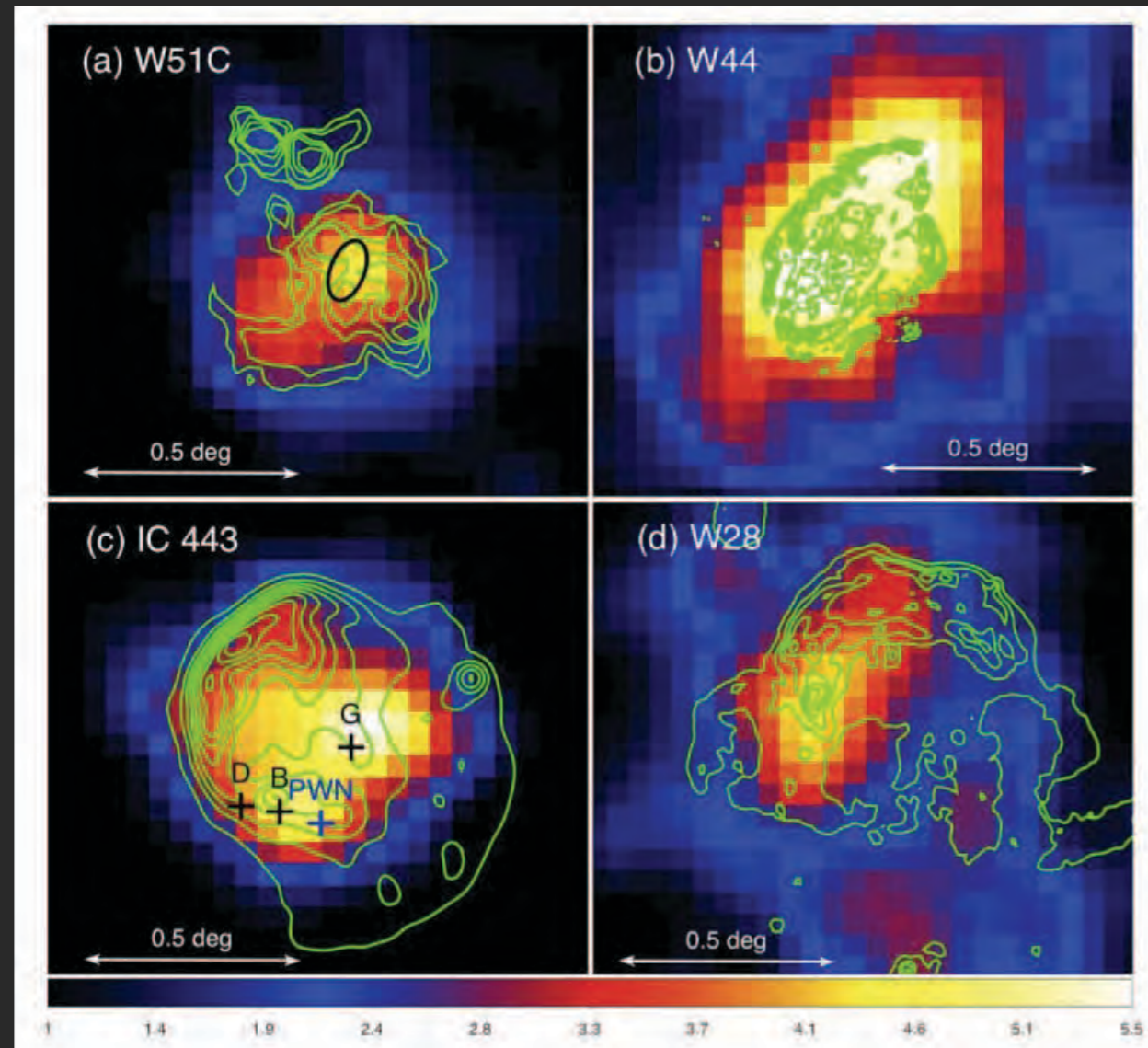


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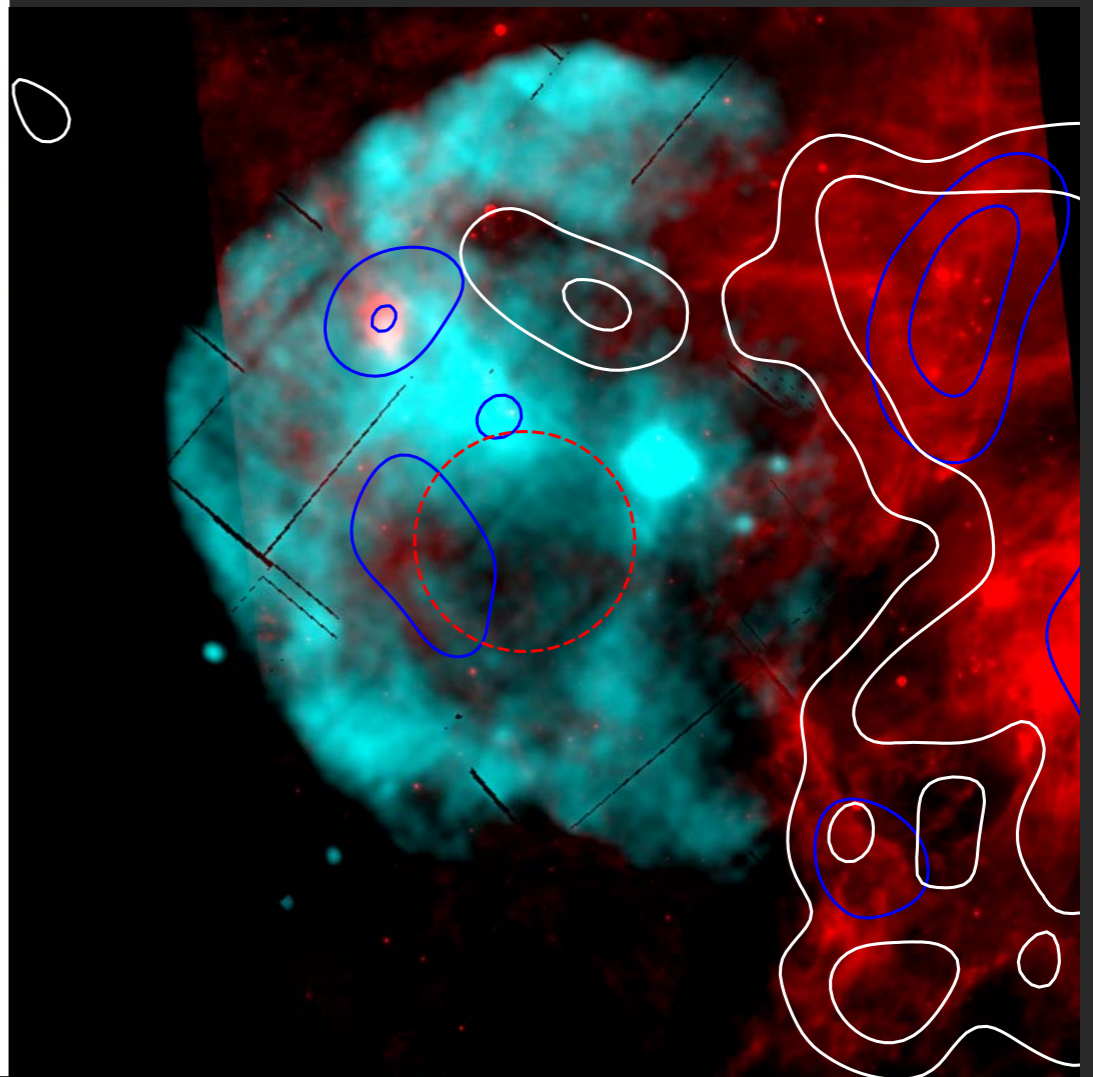
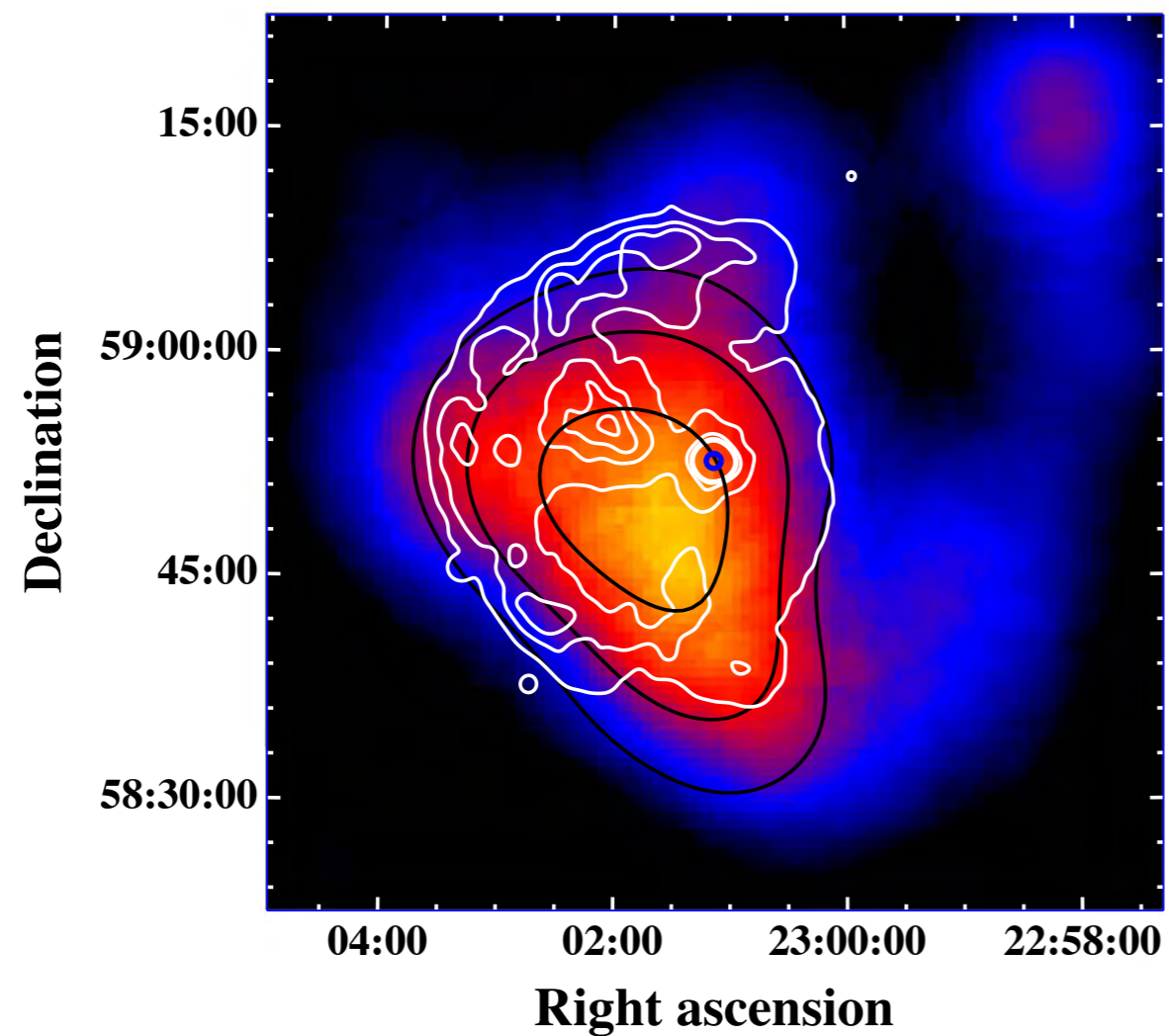
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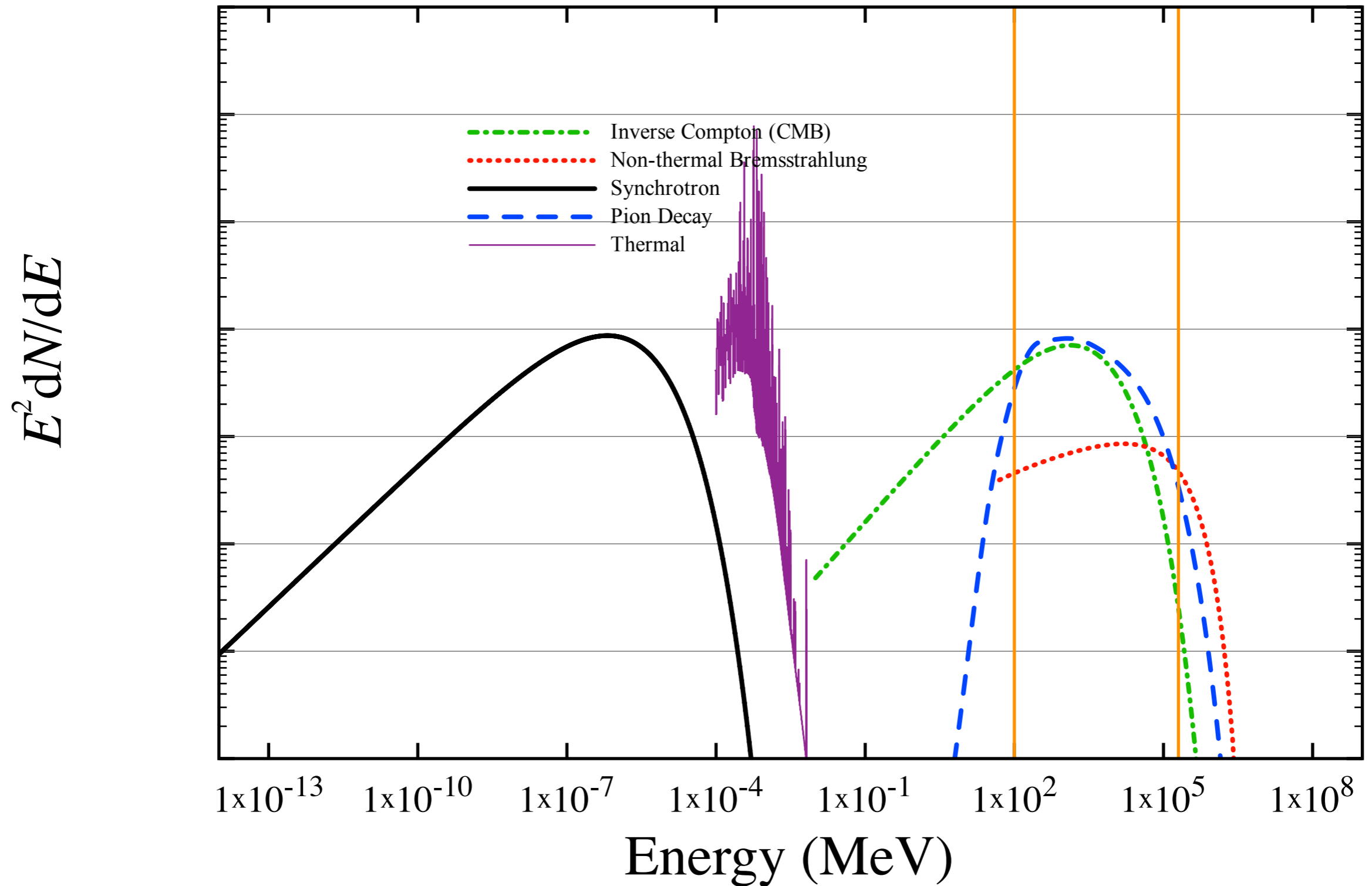
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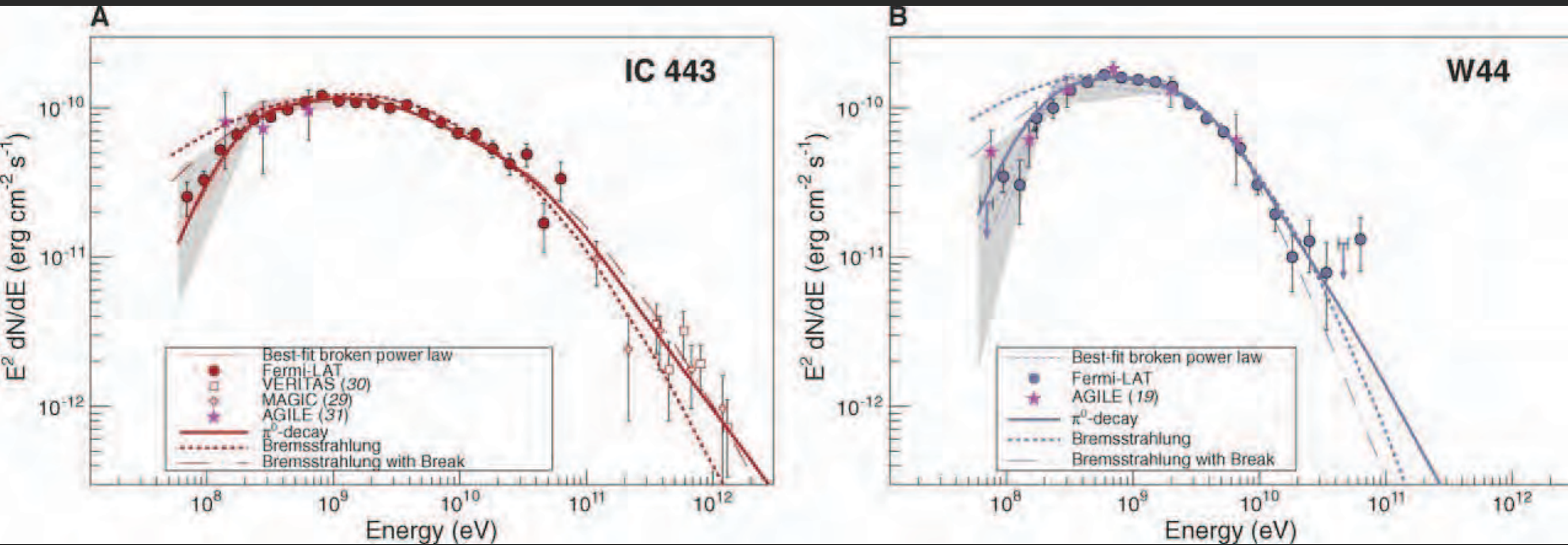
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ackermann et al. 2013 (Funk, Tanaka, Uchiyama)

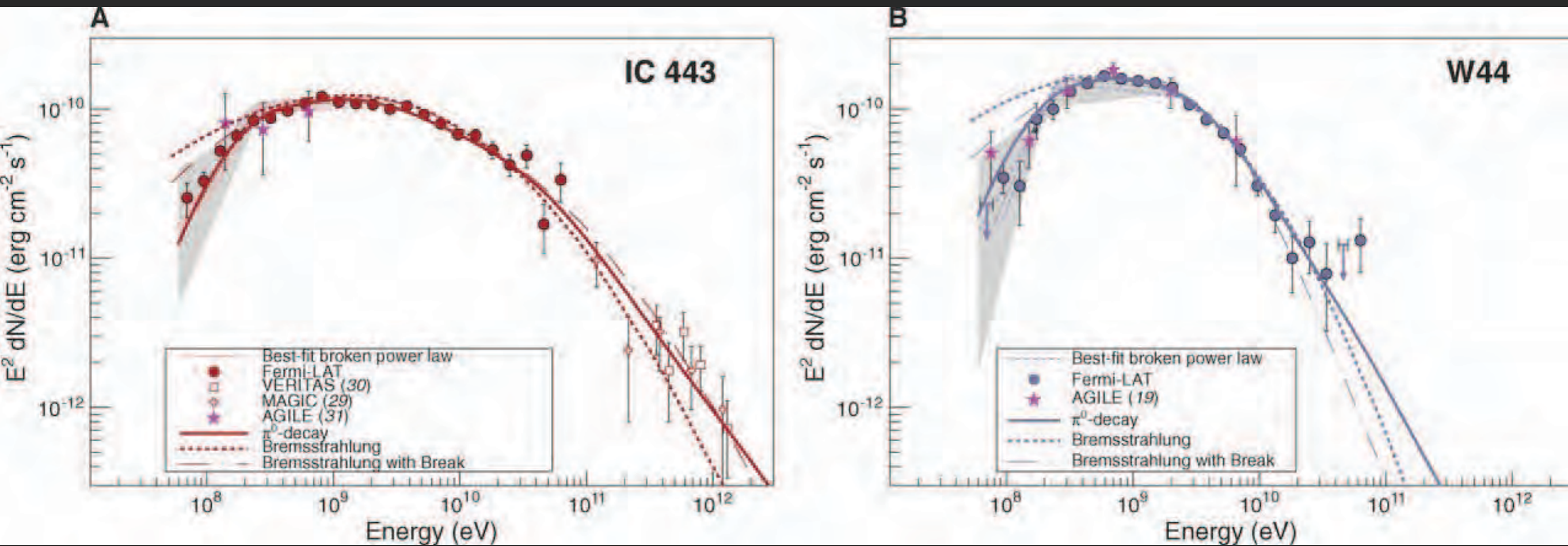
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iv. hadronic or leptonic

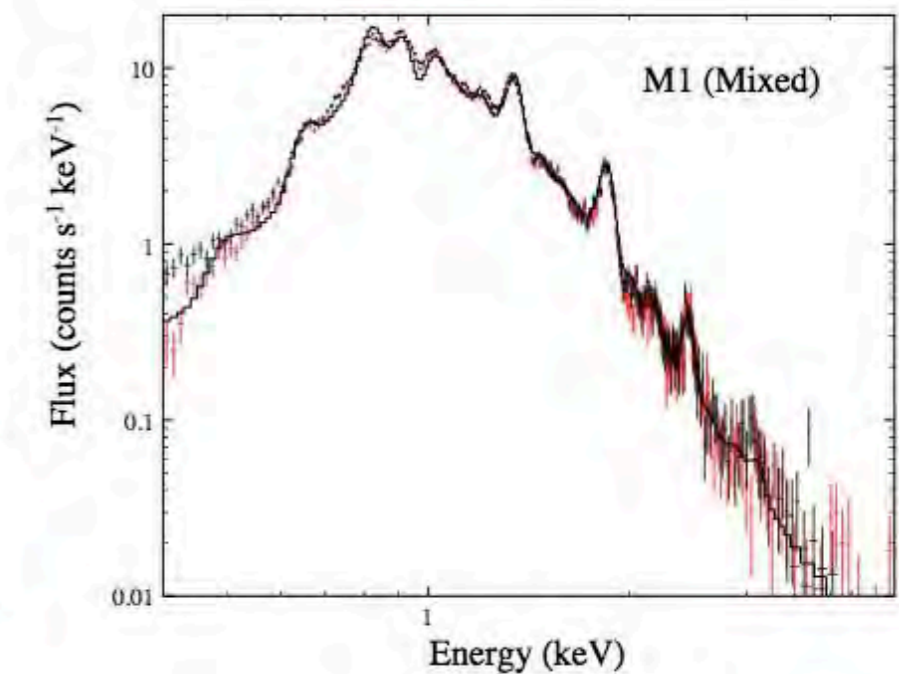
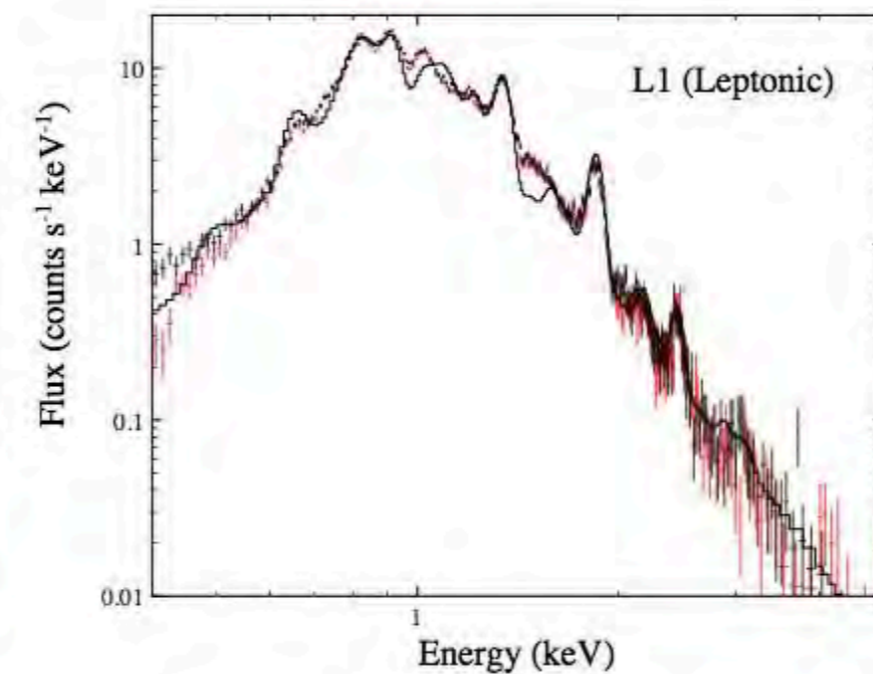
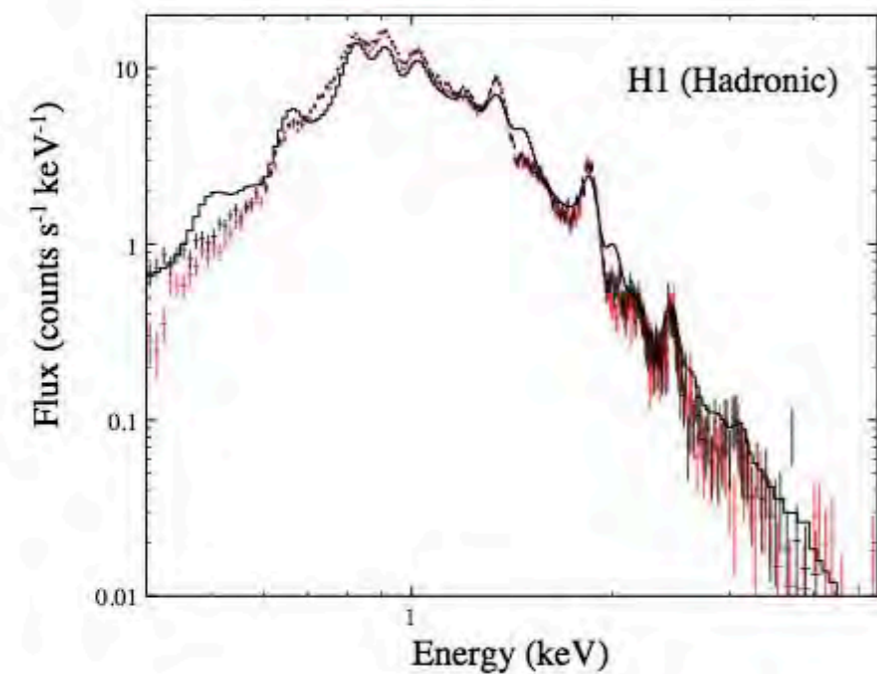
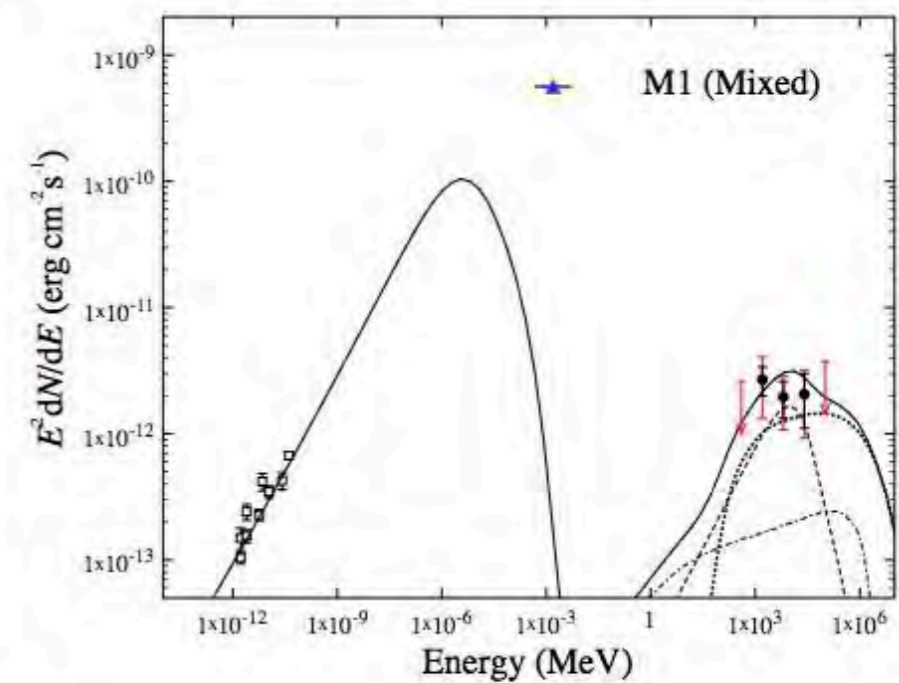
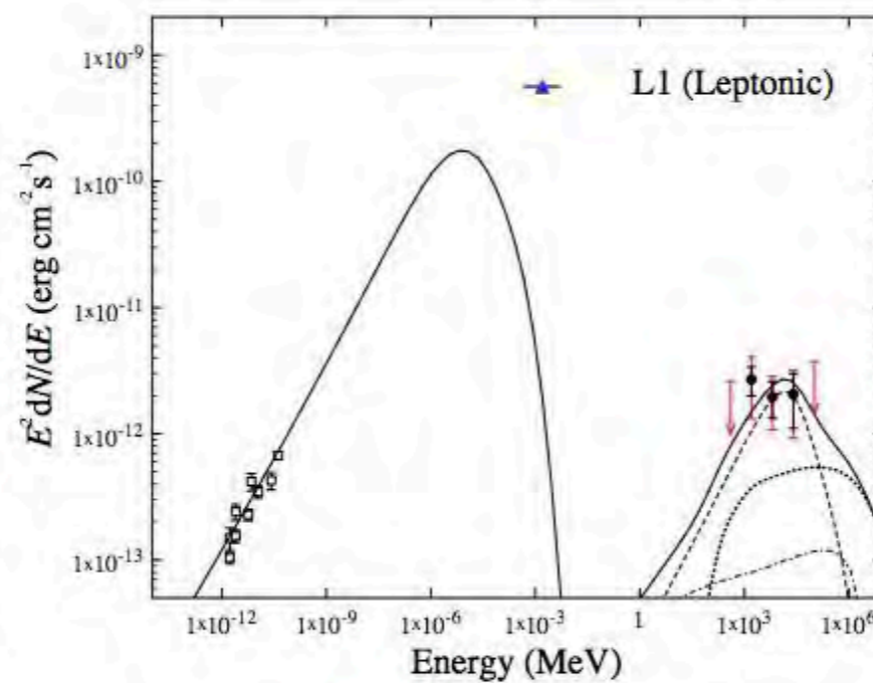
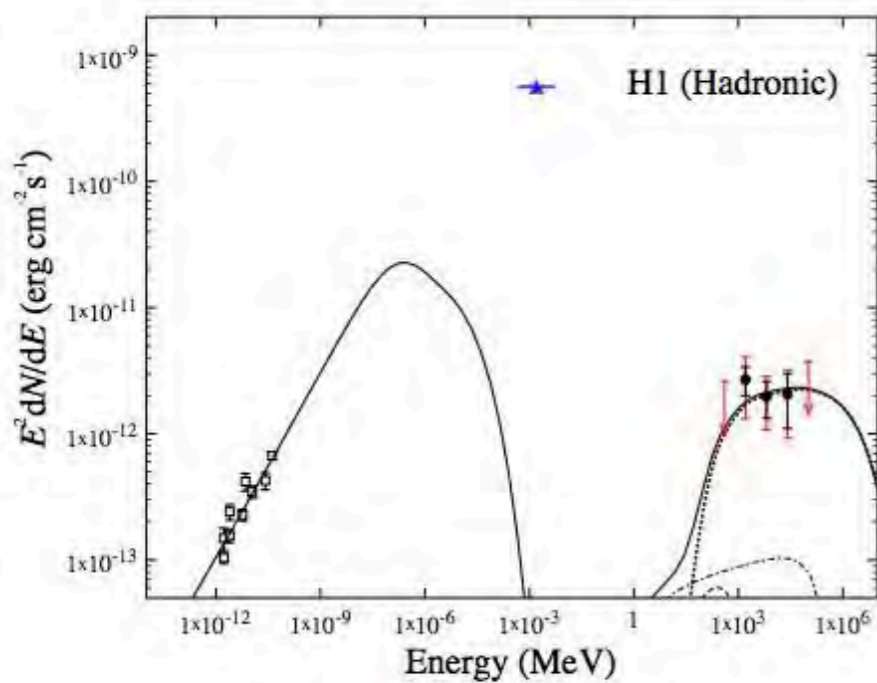
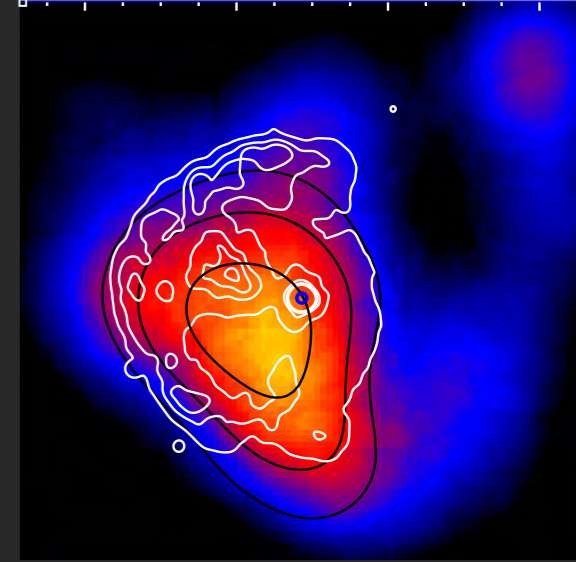
what mechanism produces the γ -ray emission from SNRs?

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iv. magnetic field amplification

how does the magnetic field get amplified by particle acceleration and escape in SNRs?

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how

- .resonant cosmic ray streaming instability e.g. zirakashvili 2000
- .bell's non-resonant instability bell 2004
- .non-resonant long-wavelength instability bykov & toptygin 2005
- .others...

iv. magnetic field amplification

evidence

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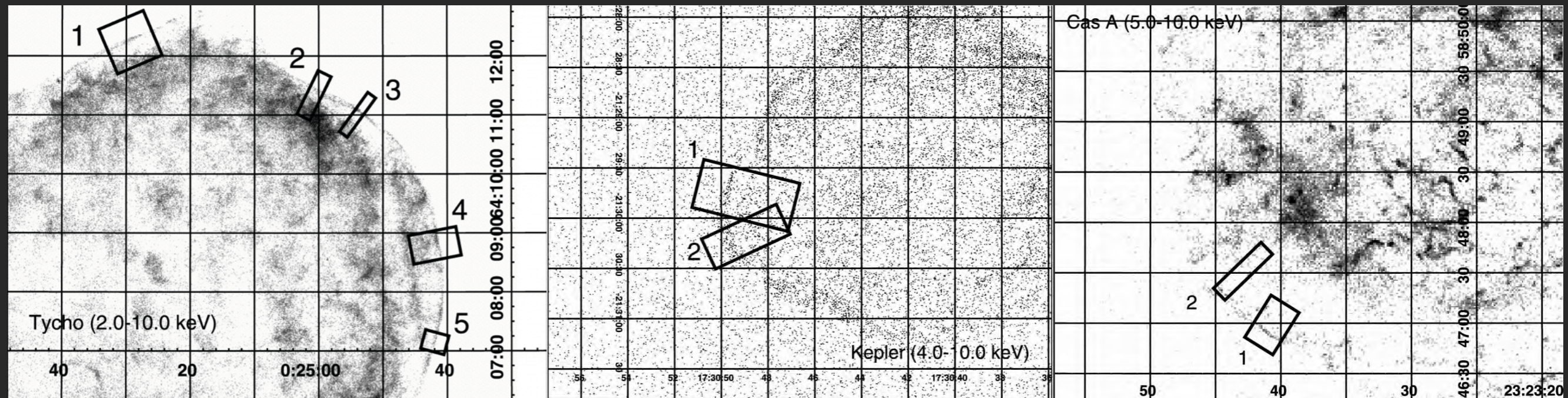
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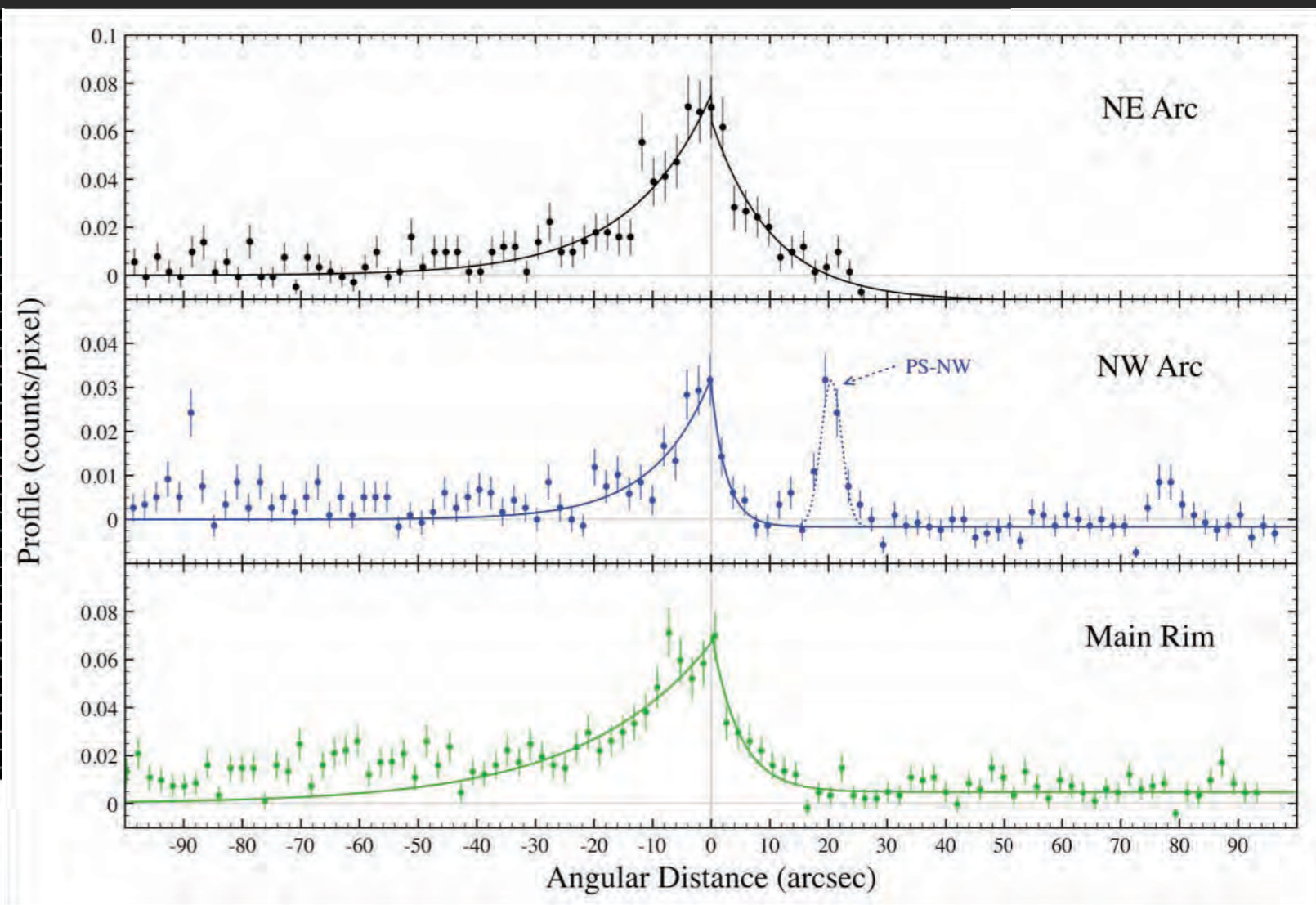
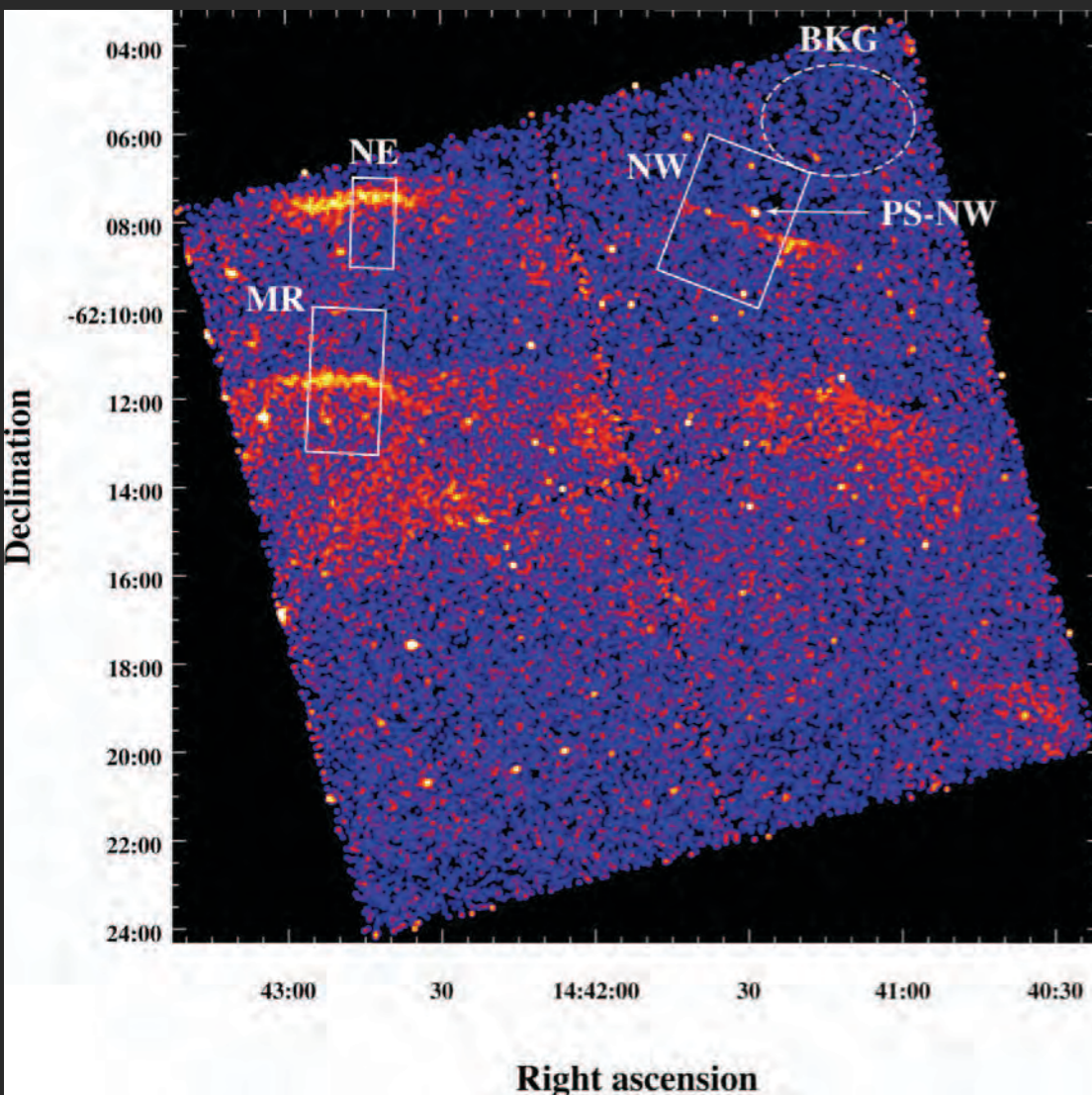


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from Bamba+ 2003

Castro+ 2013

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} A \exp\left(-\left|\frac{x_0-x}{l_{\text{up}}}\right|\right) & x > x_0 \\ A \exp\left(-\left|\frac{x_0-x}{l_{\text{down}}}\right|\right) & x < x_0 \end{cases}$$



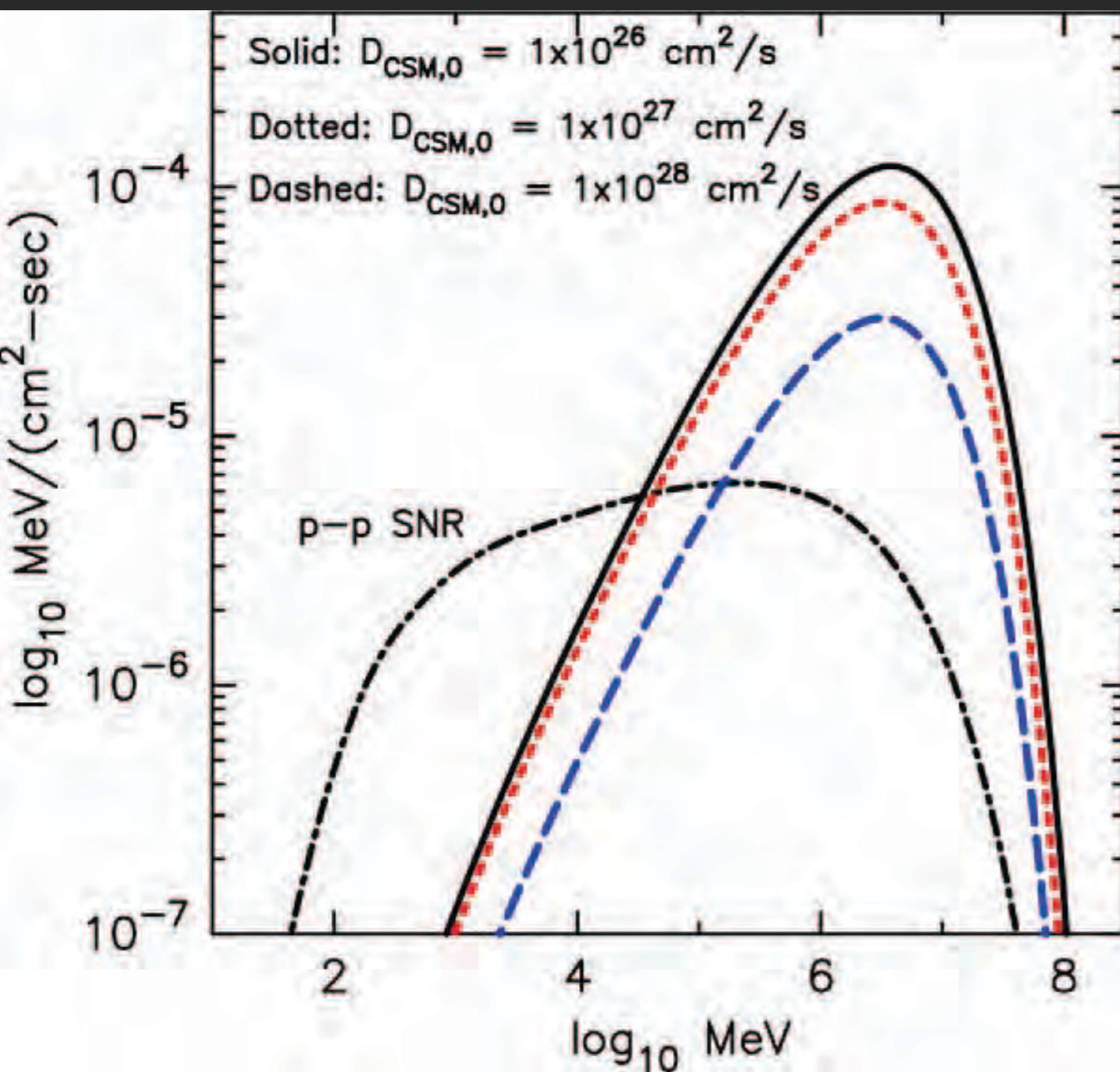
iv. escape and diffusion

what is the spectrum of accelerated particles which escape the SNR shock?

how do these particles diffuse through the ISM and CSM?

can we observe signatures of escape in γ -ray emission near SNRs?

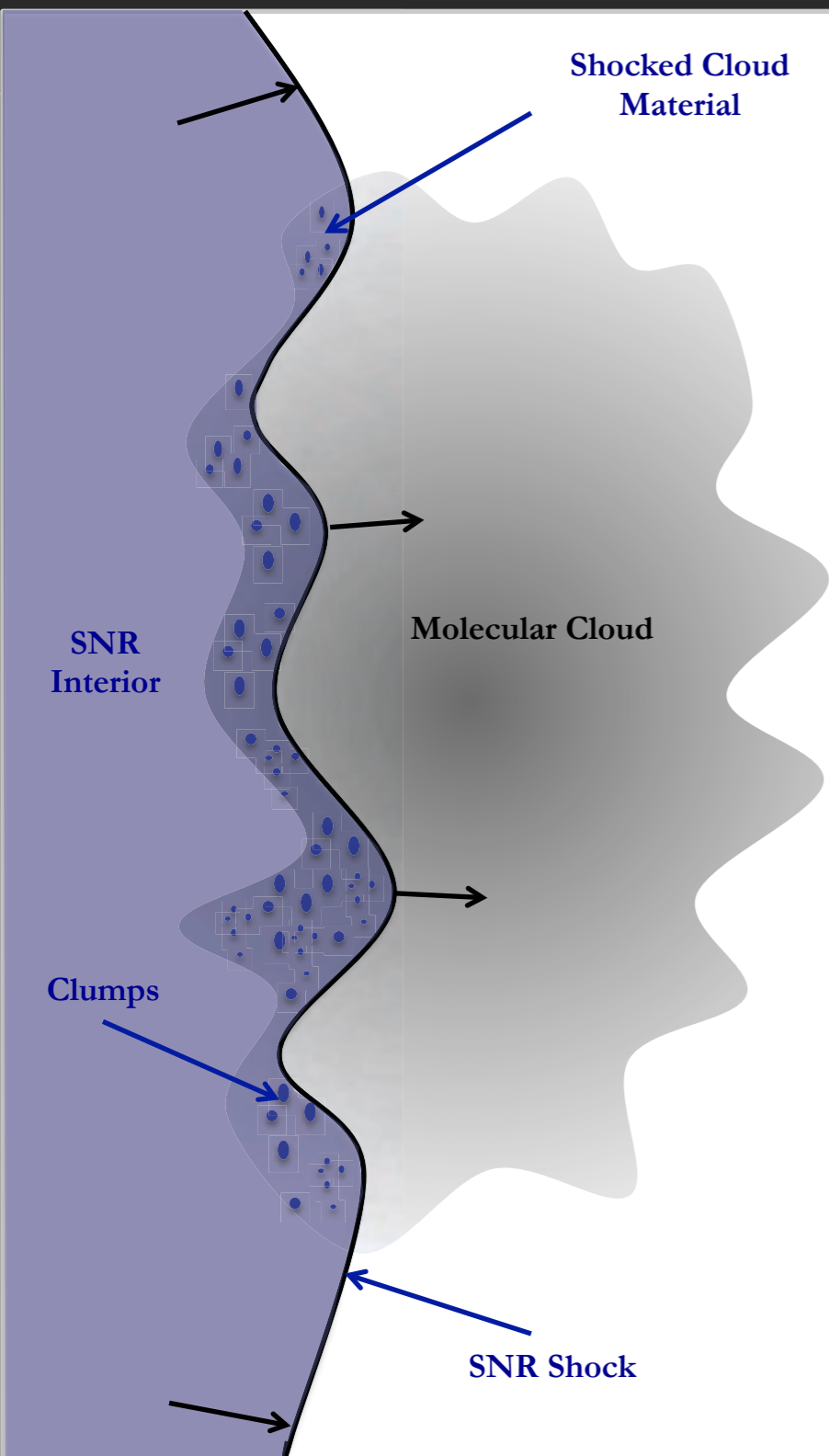
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iv. molecular clouds

what happens when SNR shocks interact with dense clouds of material?

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- **castro & slane (2010,2013):**
 - w30 + ctb 37a + g349.7-0.5 + 3c391
 - w41 + ctb 33 + msh 17-39
 - x-ray density \ll γ -ray density

see also:

- **uchiyama+ 2010** – reacceleration
- **inoue+ 2010** – diffusion
- **schuppan+ 2012** – ionization

end of part II