

PARTICLE ACCELERATION IN SUPERNOVA REMNANTS



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OUTLINE

- ◆ **Maximum energy in Diffusive Shock Acceleration (DSA)**
- ◆ **Self-generation of magnetic waves**
 - ◆ *Resonant (streaming) instability*
 - ◆ *Non-resonant (Bell) instability*
- ◆ **Non-linear Diffusive Shock Acceleration (NLDSA)**
 - ◆ *Problems for the test-particle approach*
 - ◆ *Back reaction of accelerated particles*
- ◆ **Application to SNR shocks**
 - ◆ *Radiative processes*
 - ◆ *The role of scattering centers*

MAXIMUM ENERGY

Is it possible to accelerate protons up to the *knee* ?

The maximum energy is obtained comparing the acceleration time with the age of the accelerator and the energy losses

$$t_{acc} = \min[t_{loss}, T_{age}] \rightarrow E_{max}$$

Acceleration time: $t_{acc} = \frac{t_{cycle}}{\Delta E/E}$

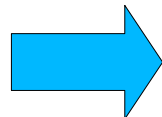
Energy losses are usually negligible for protons but are important for electrons

Time for one cycle upstream → downstream → upstream: $t_{cycle} = \tau_{diff,1} + \tau_{diff,2}$

Equating the particle injected from downstream with the particles upstream:

$$\frac{nc}{4} \Sigma \tau_{diff,1} = n \Sigma \frac{D_1}{u_1} \rightarrow \tau_{diff,1} = \frac{4D_1}{c u_1} \quad \wedge \quad \tau_{diff,2} = \frac{4D_2}{c u_2}$$

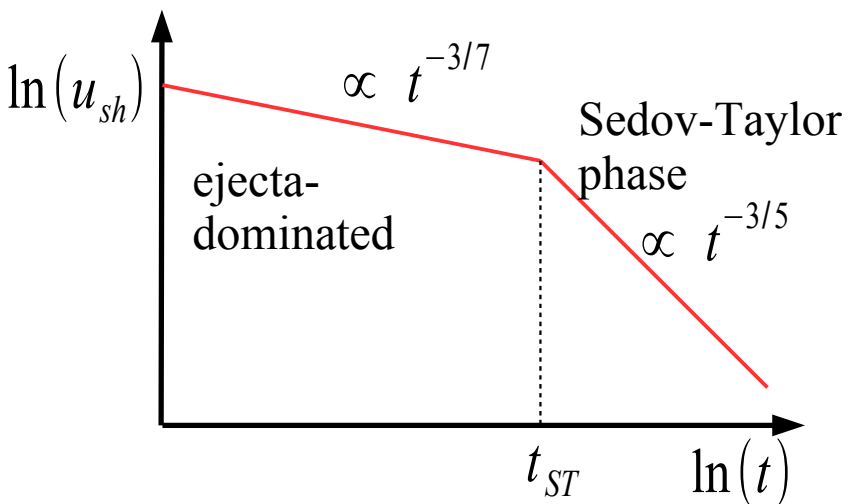
$$\frac{\Delta E}{E} = \frac{4}{3} \frac{u_1 - u_2}{c}$$



$$t_{acc} = \frac{t_{cycle}}{\Delta E/E} = \frac{3}{u_1 - u_2} \left(\frac{D_1}{u_1} + \frac{D_2}{u_2} \right) \approx 8 \frac{D_1}{u_{sh}^2}$$

MAXIMUM ENERGY

Maximum energy can increase only during the ejecta dominated phase of the SNRs because $u_{sh} \sim const$



Shock radius:
$$\begin{cases} R_{sh}(t) \propto t^{5/7} & \text{Ejecta-dominated} \\ R_{sh}(t) \propto t^{2/5} & \text{Sedov-Taylor} \end{cases}$$

But particles diffuse ahead of the shock: $d \propto \sqrt{Dt}$

→ **during the ST phase the highest energy particles cannot be caught by the shock and escape towards upstream**

Estimate of the beginning of the Sedov-Taylor phase:

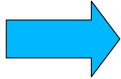
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} t_{ST} = R_{ST} / u_{sh} \\ \frac{1}{2} M_{ej} u_{sh}^2 = E_{SN} \\ \frac{4\pi}{3} \rho_{ISM} R_{ST}^3 = M_{ej} \end{array} \right. \quad \longrightarrow \quad t_{ST} \approx 50 \left(\frac{M_{ej}}{M_{\odot}} \right)^{5/6} \left(\frac{E_{SN}}{10^{51} \text{ erg}} \right)^{-1/2} \left(\frac{n_{ISM}}{\text{cm}^{-3}} \right)^{-1/3} \text{ yr},$$

MAXIMUM ENERGY

We use the diffusion coefficient from quasi-linear theory:

$$D = \frac{1}{3} \frac{r_L v}{F(k_{res})}; \quad F(k) = \frac{\delta B_k^2}{B_0^2}$$

Equating the acceleration time with the end of the ejecta dominated phase $t_{acc} = t_{ST}$:



$$E_{max} = 5 \times 10^{13} Z \mathcal{F}(k_{min}) \left(\frac{B_0}{\mu G} \right) \left(\frac{M_{ej}}{M_{\odot}} \right)^{-\frac{1}{6}} \left(\frac{E_{SN}}{10^{51} \text{ erg}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{n_{ISM}}{\text{cm}^{-3}} \right)^{-\frac{1}{3}} \text{ eV}$$

E_{max} is weakly dependent on the ejecta mass and ISM density

**High energies, up to PeV, can be achieved only if $\mathcal{F}(k) \gg 1$.
This condition requires amplification of the magnetic field**

BUT WHAT PRODUCES THE TURBULENCE?

TURBULENCE IN THE GALAXY

The main origin of turbulence are thought to be SN explotion.

Turbulence is injected at a scale comparable with the size of SNR (or super-bubbles) and than cascades at smaller scales

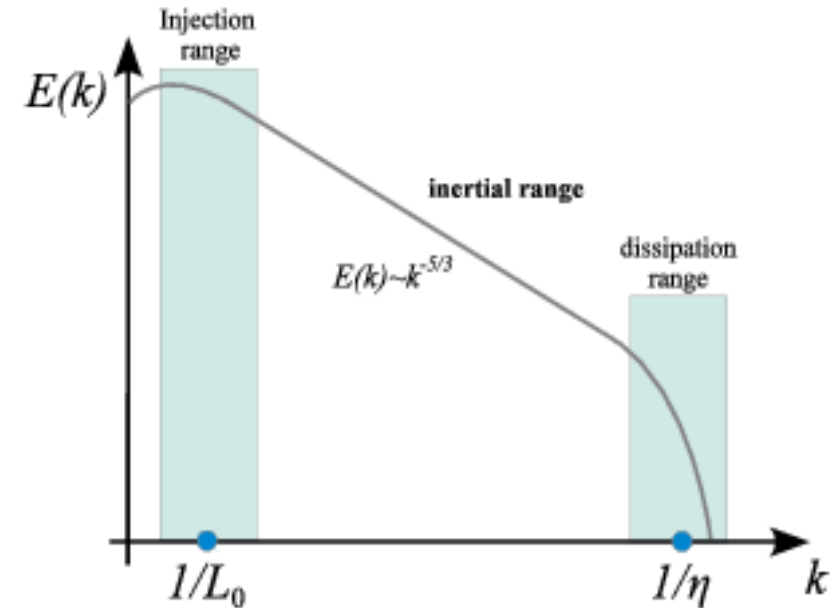
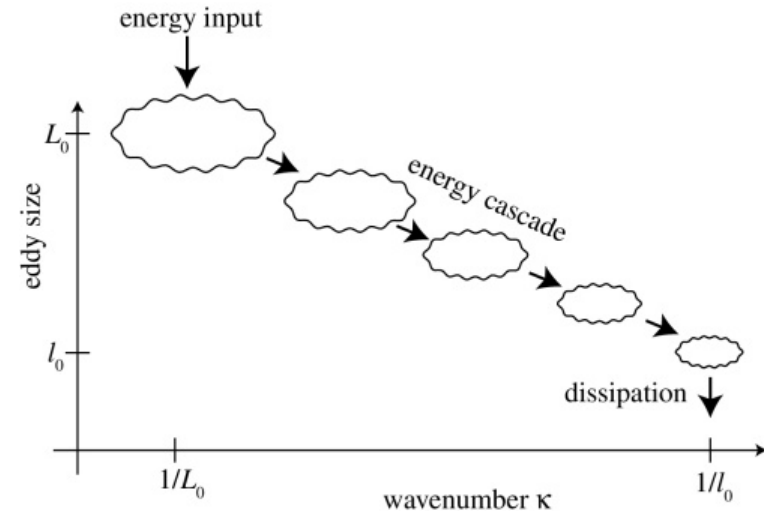
Power injected at: $k_{min} = 1/L_0 \approx 50 pc$

Kolmogorov cascade: $P(k) = \frac{\delta B(k)^2}{B_0^2} \propto k^{-5/3}$

$$k_{res}(E_{max}) = \frac{1}{r_L(E_{max})} = 1 \times \left(\frac{E}{10^{15} eV} \right)^{-1} \left(\frac{B_0}{1 \mu G} \right) pc^{-1}$$

$$\frac{P(k_{res})}{P(k_{min})} = \left(\frac{k_{res}}{k_{min}} \right)^{-5/3} \approx 10^{-3} \left(\frac{E}{10^{15} eV} \right)^{5/3}$$

$$E_{max} < 10 GeV$$

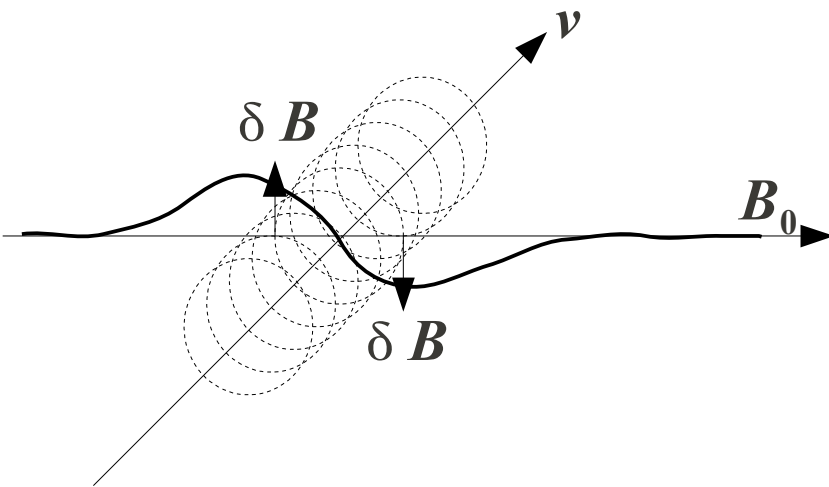


The Kolmogorow turbulence is not enough!

SELF-GENERATION OF WAVES

WHO GENERATES WAVES?

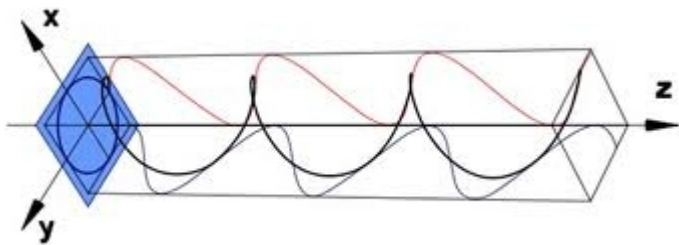
WAVES MAY BE GENERATED BY DIFFERENT SOURCES (e. g. SN EXPLOSION) BUT THERE IS A MORE INTERESTING AND PHYSICALLY IMPORTANT PHENOMENON: SELF GENERATION



Charged particles moving transverse to the magnetic field line produce a variable magnetic field δB which perturb B_0 producing an Alfvén wave.

→ Alfvén wave in turn scatter particles

The effect of scatter is to isotropize CRs.



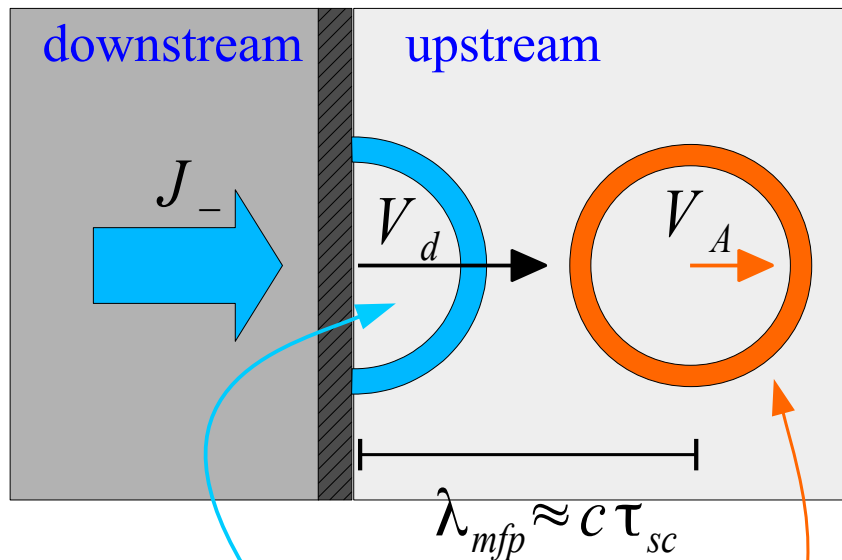
Generated Alfvén waves are circularly polarized

SELF GENERATION OF WAVES: RESONANT INSTABILITY

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SELF - GENERATION VIA RESONANT INSTABILITY

[e.g. Skilling (1975), Bell & Lucek (2001), Amato & Blasi (2006)]



After the shock the distribution is anisotropic

The distribution becomes isotropic after one mean free path and moves at the same speed of the waves

Assume particles are drifting with $v_d > v_A$ and are isotropized on a time-scale τ_{sc} :

$$\tau_{sc} \approx \frac{1}{v_{sc}} = \frac{\pi}{4} F(k) \Omega$$

Initial momentum

final momentum

$$n_{CR} m \gamma_{CR} v_d \longrightarrow n_{CR} m \gamma_{CR} v_A$$

The momentum lost by particles is:

$$\frac{dP_{CR}}{dt} = \frac{P_2 - P_1}{\tau_{sc}} = \frac{n_{CR} m \gamma_{CR} (v_d - v_A)}{\tau_{sc}}$$

SELF GENERATION OF WAVES: RESONANT INSTABILITY

The momentum lost is transferred to waves

$$\frac{dP_{CR}}{dt} = \frac{n_{CR} m \gamma_{CR} (v_d - v_A)}{\tau_{sc}}$$

Transport equation for waves:

$$v_A \frac{dP_W}{dt} = \Gamma_W \frac{\delta B^2}{8\pi}$$

Equating momentum lost by CR
and momentum gain by waves

$$\frac{dP_W}{dt} = \frac{dP_{CR}}{dt} \xrightarrow{\text{Growth rate}} \Gamma_W = \frac{n_{CR}}{n_{gas}} \Omega_{cyc} \left(\frac{v_D - v_A}{v_A} \right)$$

For $n_{CR} = 10^{-10} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, $n_{gas} = 10^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ and $B_0 = 1 \mu\text{G}$, and assuming $v_d = 2 v_A$, one finds:

$$v_A = 7 \cdot 10^5 \text{ cm/s} \quad \Omega_{cyc} = 10^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1} \quad \xrightarrow{\text{Growth rate}} \quad \Gamma_W = \frac{n_{CR}}{n_{gas}} \Omega_{cyc} \left(\frac{v_D - v_A}{v_A} \right) \approx 10^{-3} \text{ yr}^{-1} \quad \text{VERY RAPID GROWTH}$$

HOW MUCH THE SELF-GENERATED TURBULENCE CAN GROW?

Turbulence can grow for at most one advection time

$$t_{adv} = D_1 / u_{sh}^2$$

Equating the grow time with the advection time we get the maximum level of turbulence at the shock:

$$t_{adv} = t_{grow} = 1 / \Gamma_W$$

$$\rightarrow F_0(k) = \frac{\pi}{2} \frac{\xi_{CR}}{\ln(p_{max} / m_p c)} \frac{u_{sh}}{v_A} \approx 10$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \xi_{CR} = P_{CR} / (\rho u_{sh}^2) \sim 0.1 \\ u_{sh} \sim 5000 \text{ km/s} \\ v_A \sim 10 \text{ km/s} \\ p_{max} \sim 10^5 \text{ GeV} \end{array} \right.$$

The condition $F(k) \gg 1$ violates the quasi-linear theory used to derive the growth time.

A more realistic estimate including the modification to the dispersion relation induced by CRs gives:

$$F_0(k) = \left(\frac{\pi}{6} \frac{\xi_{CR}}{\ln(p_{max} / m_p c)} \frac{c}{u_{sh}} \right)^{1/2} \leq 1$$

Self-amplification can produce $\delta B \sim B_0$



$$E_{max} \approx 10^{13} - 10^{14} \text{ eV}$$

NON-RESONANT AMPLIFICATION

There are other possibility to amplify the magnetic field.

The most invoked one is the non-resonant Bell instability [Bell, A.R. (2004)]

This instability is excited by the force

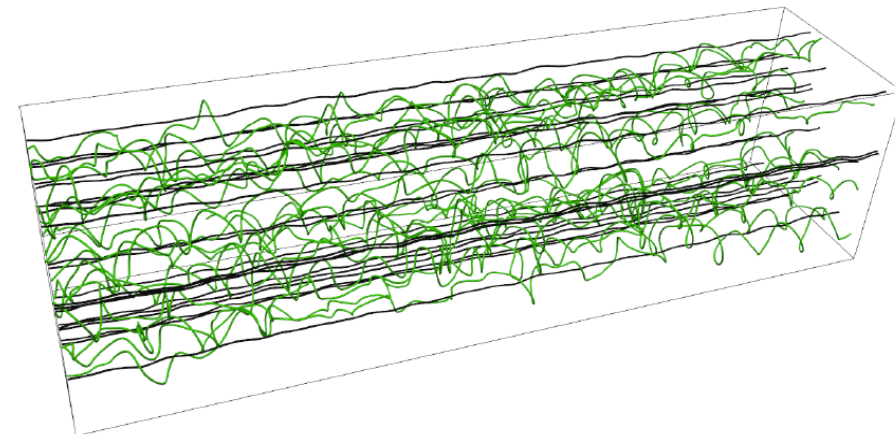
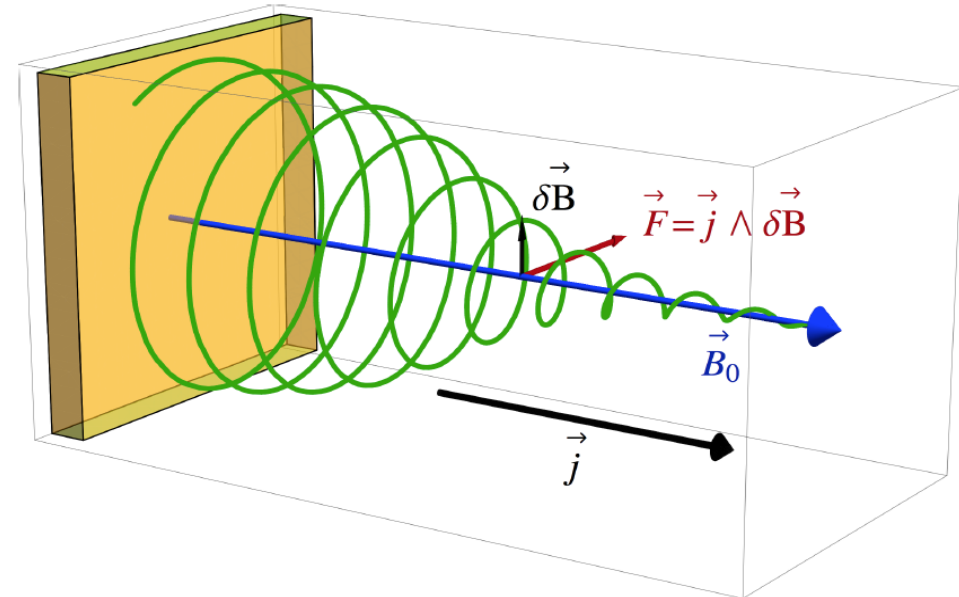
$$\vec{j}_{CR} \times \delta \vec{B}$$

where the current is due to escaping particles upstream.

It amplifies almost purely growing waves with wavenumbers much greater than the inverse particle gyroradius.

→ works for very high shock velocity (initial phase of SNR expansion)

We can have $\frac{\delta B}{B_0} > 10$ if $\xi_{CR} = \frac{P_{CR}}{\rho u_{sh}^2} > 0.1$

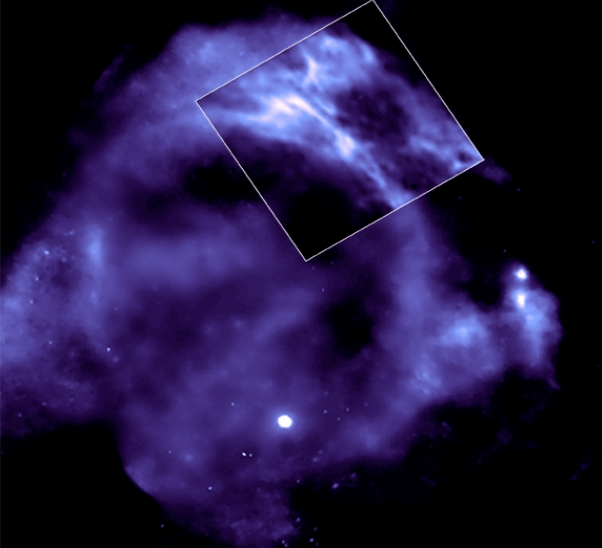


Simulation from Revill & Bell (2013)

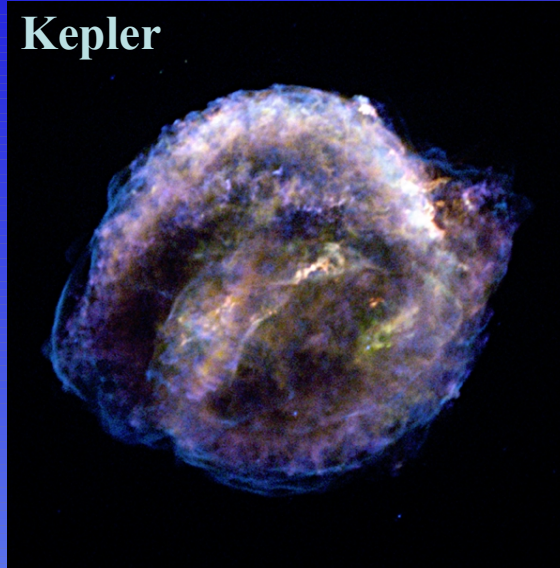
DO WE SEE MAGNETIC FIELD AMPLIFICATION?

Galactic SNRs in X-rays

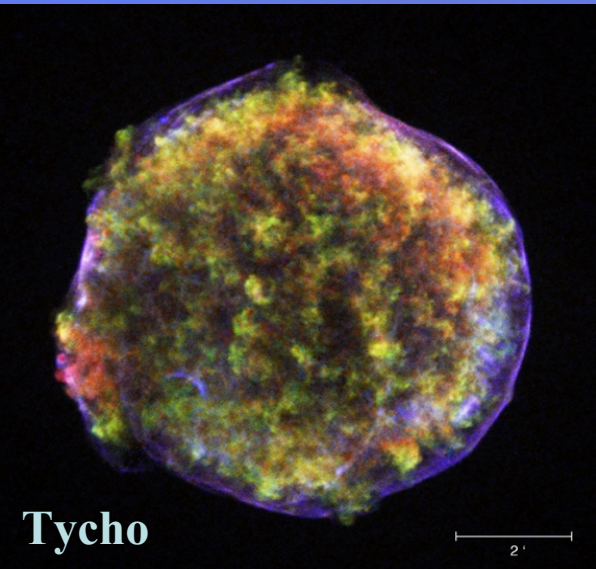
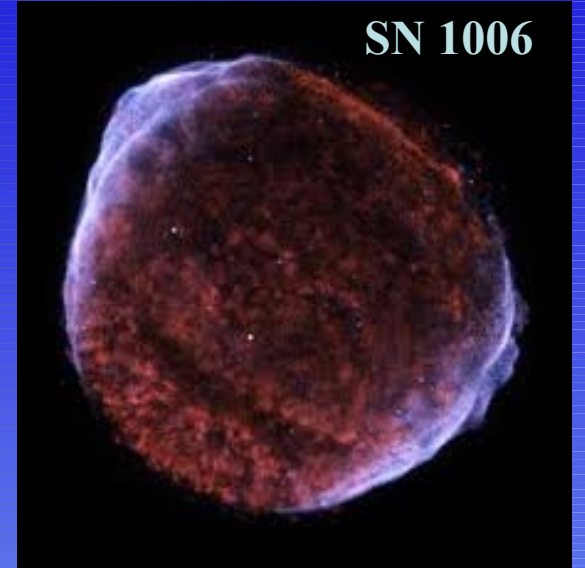
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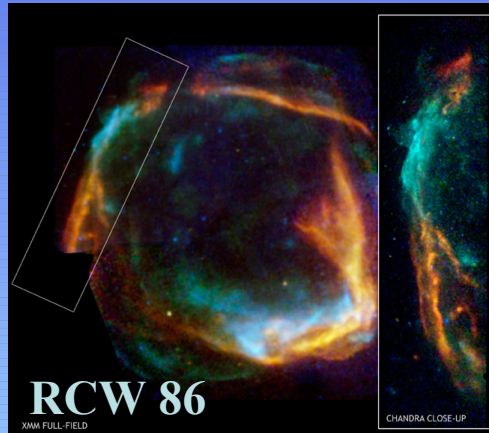
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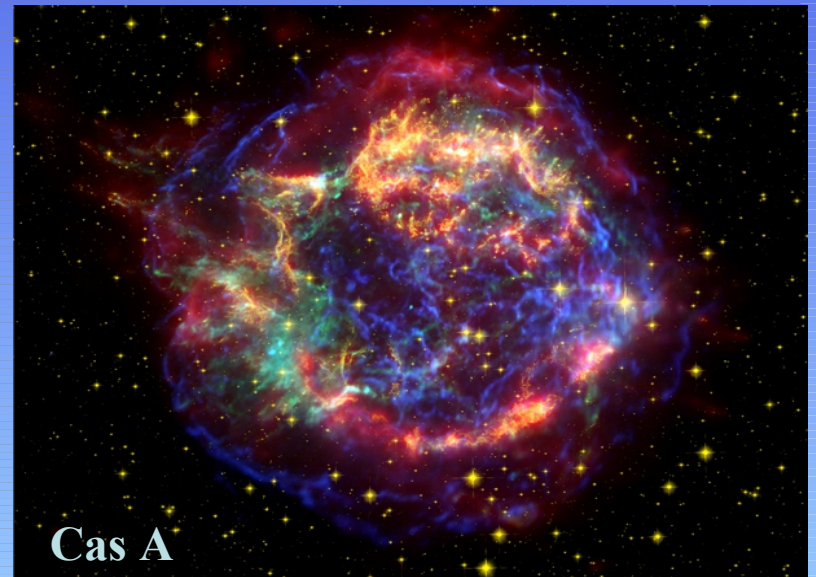
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Tycho



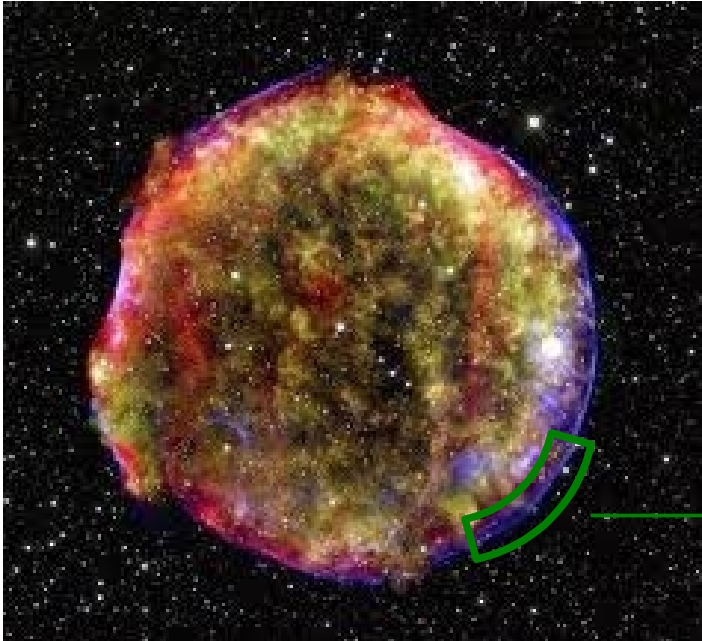
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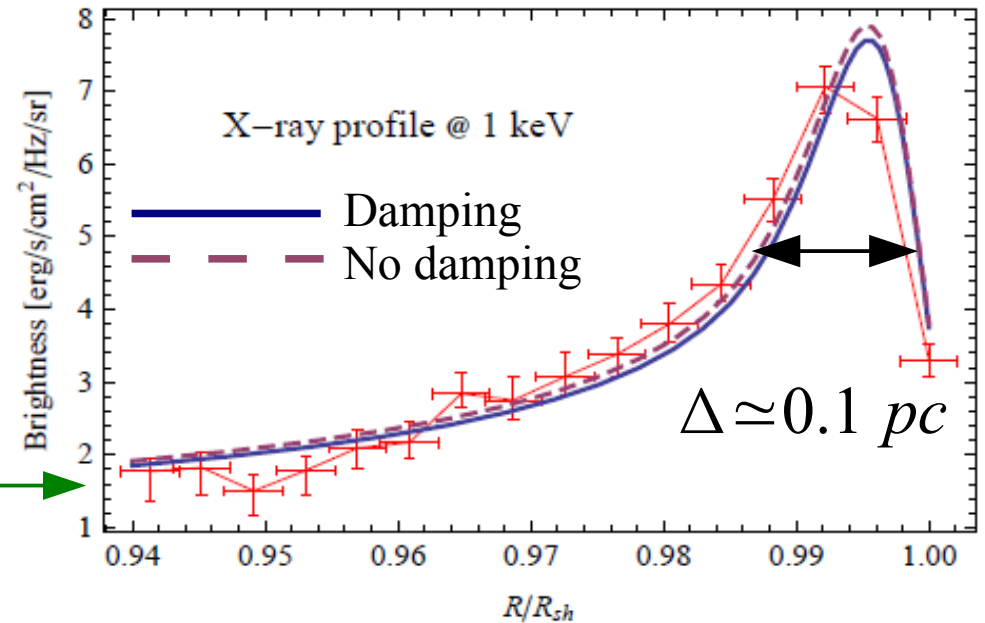
Evidences for magnetic field amplification

Chandra X-ray map.
Data for the green sector are from
Cassam-Chenaï et al (2007)



Thin non-thermal X-ray filaments provide evidence for magnetic field amplification

[Hwang et al(2002); Bamba et al (2005)]



— \rightarrow IR (100 μ m), $L = \text{IRC} \times \text{FC} \times \text{LC} \times \text{LA} \times \text{CC} \times \text{CR}$

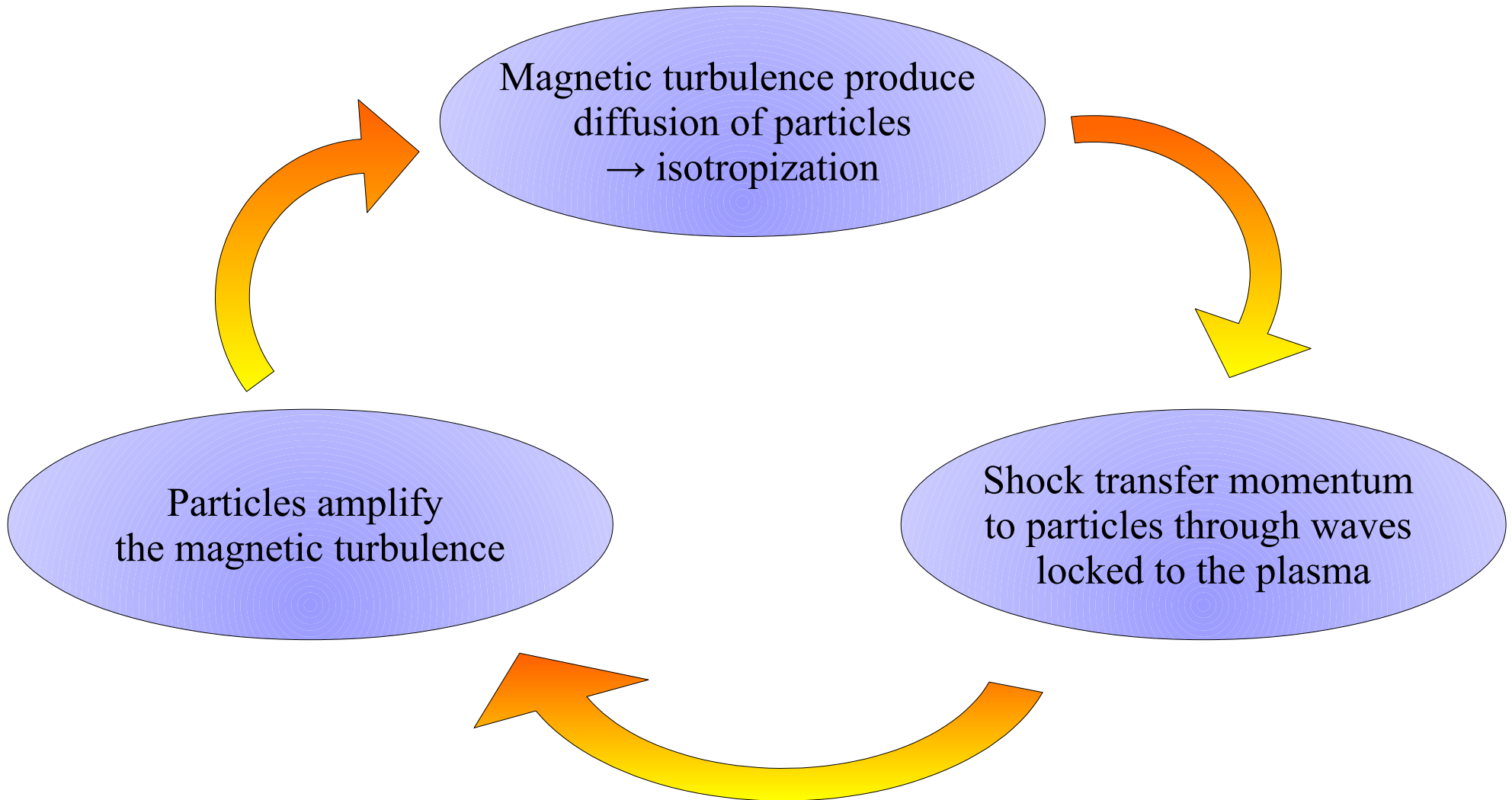
$$\begin{cases} D = r_L c / 3 \propto E B^{-1} \\ \tau_{syn} = \frac{3 m_e c^2}{4 \sigma_T c \gamma \beta^2 U_B} \propto E B^{-2} \end{cases}$$

$$\Delta \simeq \sqrt{D \tau_{syn}} \propto B^{-3/2}$$



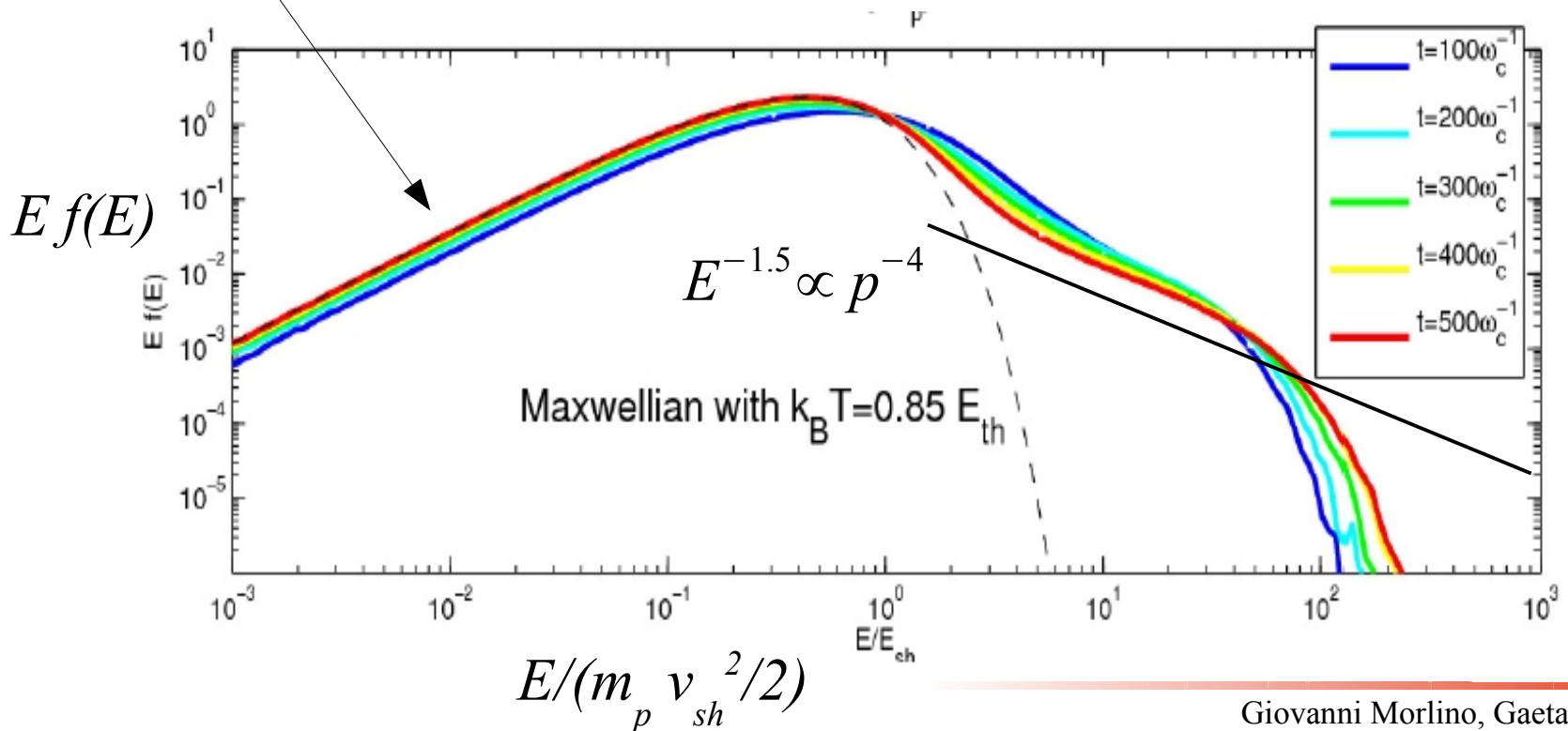
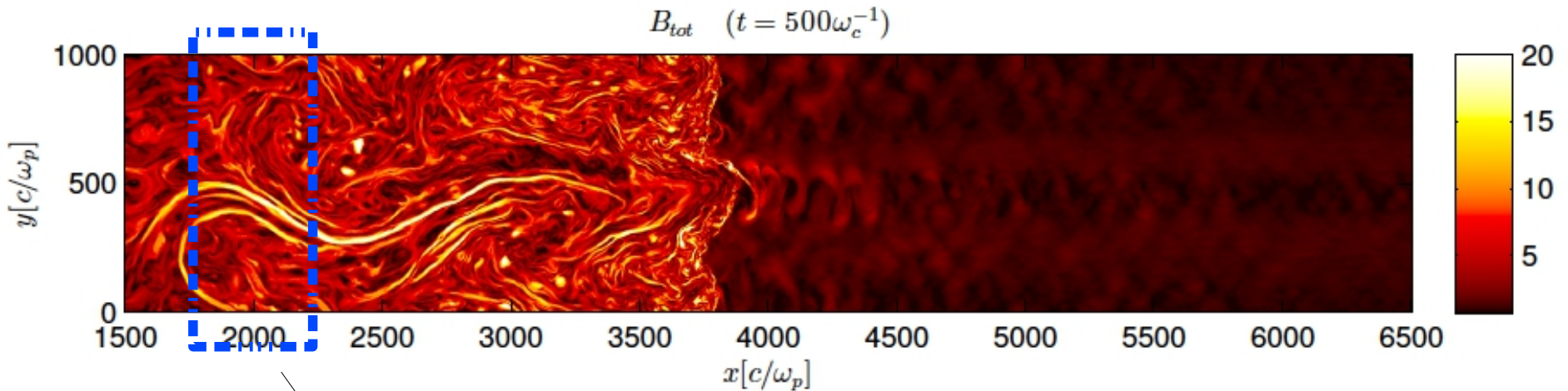
$B \sim 200-300 \mu\text{G}$

THE ESSENCE OF NON-LINEARITY



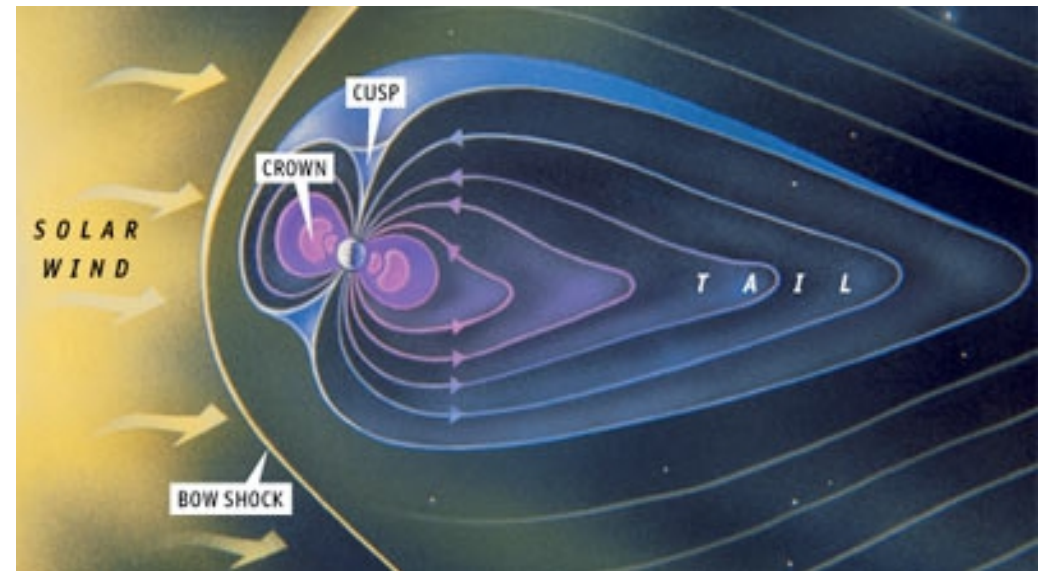
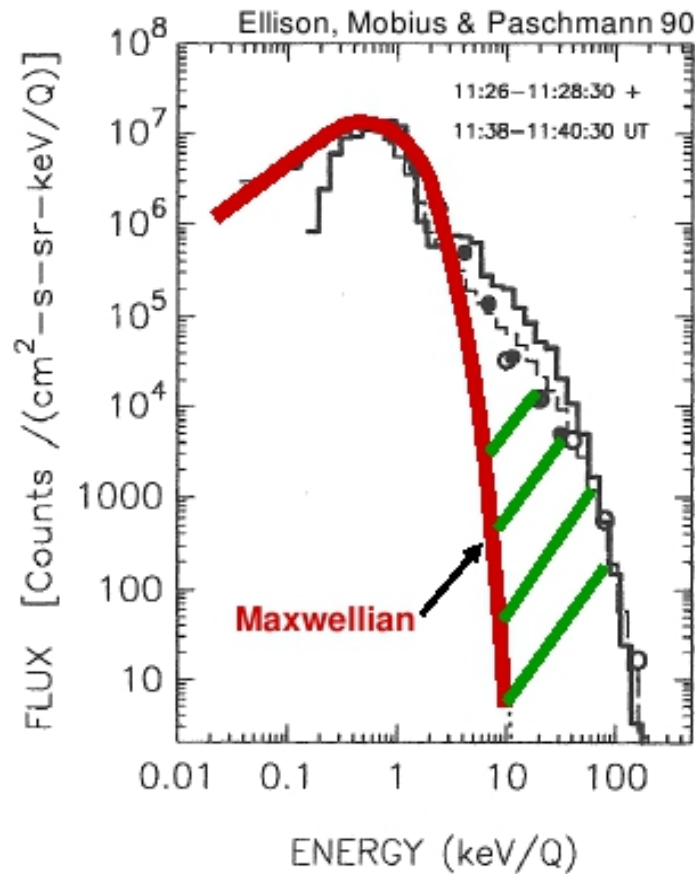
SIMULATIONS: results for the spectrum

D. Caprioli & A. Spitkovsky, 2013



Evidence for efficient shock acceleration in Earth bow shock

Earth Bow Shock (direct evidence)



>25% of energy flux in
superthermal ions

Problems with linear theory

1 - Observation: CRs power

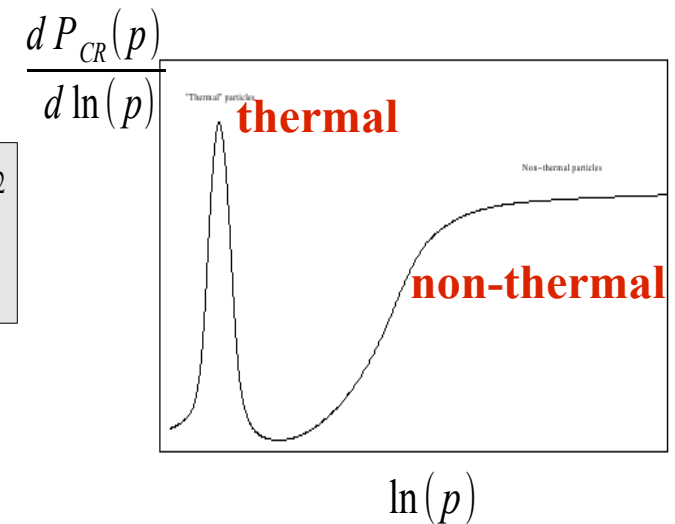
$$W_{CR} \sim U_{CR} Vol_{CR} / \tau_{res} \approx 10^{40} \text{ erg/sec}$$

$$W_{SN} \sim R_{SN} E_{SN} \approx 3 \cdot 10^{41} \text{ erg/sec with } R_{SN} = 0.03 \Rightarrow \frac{W_{CR}}{W_{SN}} \approx 0.03 \div 0.3$$

Lower Limit!! (Average value)
Instantaneous power can be greater

2 - Theory: CRs pressure

$$P_{CR} \propto \int d \ln(p) v(p) p^4 f_{CR}(p) \Rightarrow \frac{P_{CR}}{P_{gas}} \approx 2.3 \xi \left(\frac{\eta}{10^{-5}} \right) \ln \left(\frac{p_{max}}{10^5 \text{ GeV}/c} \right) \left(\frac{T}{10^5 \text{ K}} \right)^{-1/2}$$



3 - Theory: Maximum CR energy

Linear theory (with self generated magnetic turbulence) predict for protons

$$\delta B < B_{Gal} \Rightarrow E_{max} \leq 10^4 \text{ GeV}$$

BUT

$$E_{knee} \simeq 3 \cdot 10^5 \text{ GeV}$$

Including the CR Back-Reaction

What happens when non-thermal particles exert non-negligible pressure?

- 1 – CRs pressure compresses the gas upstream
 → **The subshock compression factor decreases**

$$r_{sub} = \frac{U_1}{U_2} < 4$$

- 2 – CRs subtract energy from the downstream plasma which becomes more compressible
 → **The total compression factor increases**

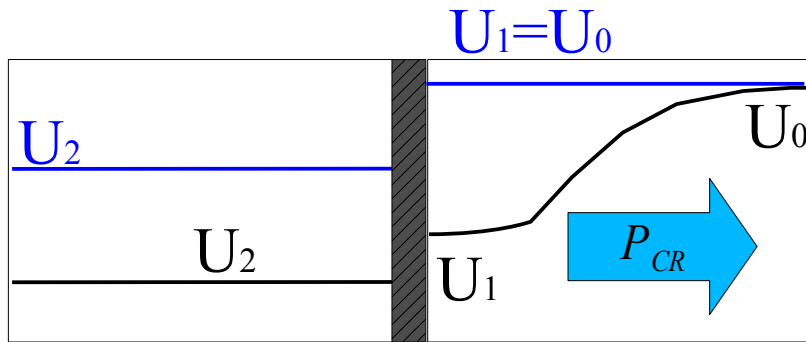
$$r_{tot} = \frac{U_0}{U_2} > 4$$

Particles feel a different compression factor depending on their momentum

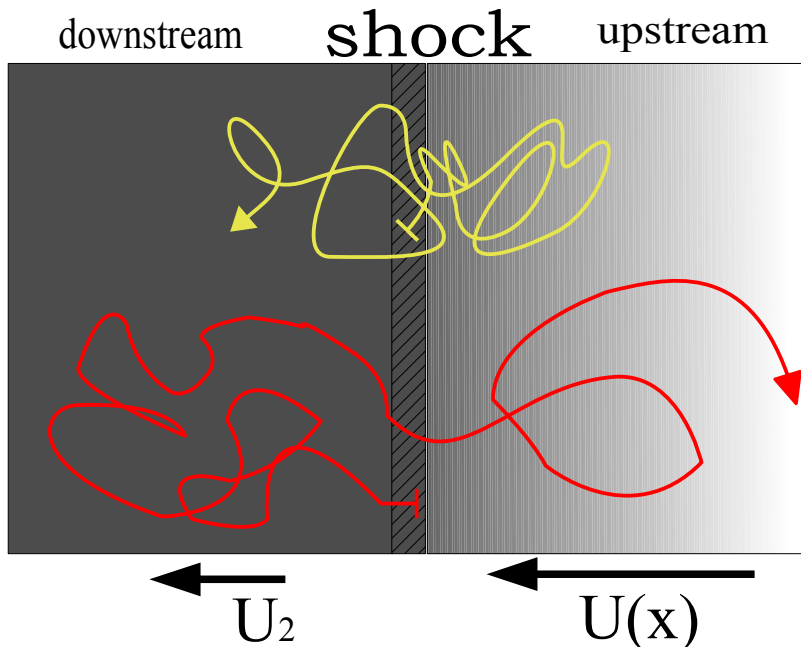
$$r(p) = \frac{\bar{U}(p)}{U_2}$$

We expect a momentum dependent slope

$$n(E) = E^{-s(p)}$$



velocity profile $u(x)$



Basic equations

Transport equation for CRs

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left[D(z, p) \frac{\partial f_{CR}}{\partial z} \right] - u \frac{\partial f_{CR}}{\partial z} + \frac{1}{3} \frac{du}{dz} p \frac{\partial f_{CR}}{\partial p} = 0$$

Fluid equations couple CRs + ions + waves

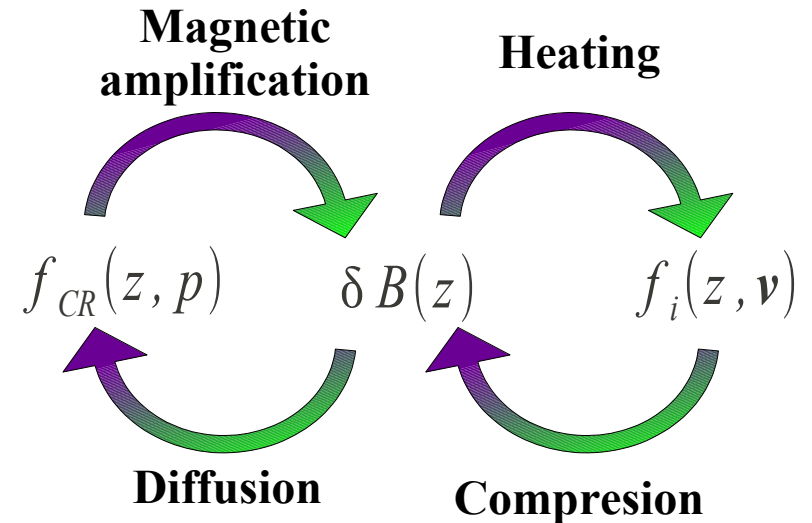
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} [\rho_i u_i] = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} [\rho_i u_i^2 + P_i + P_{CR} + P_w] = 0$$

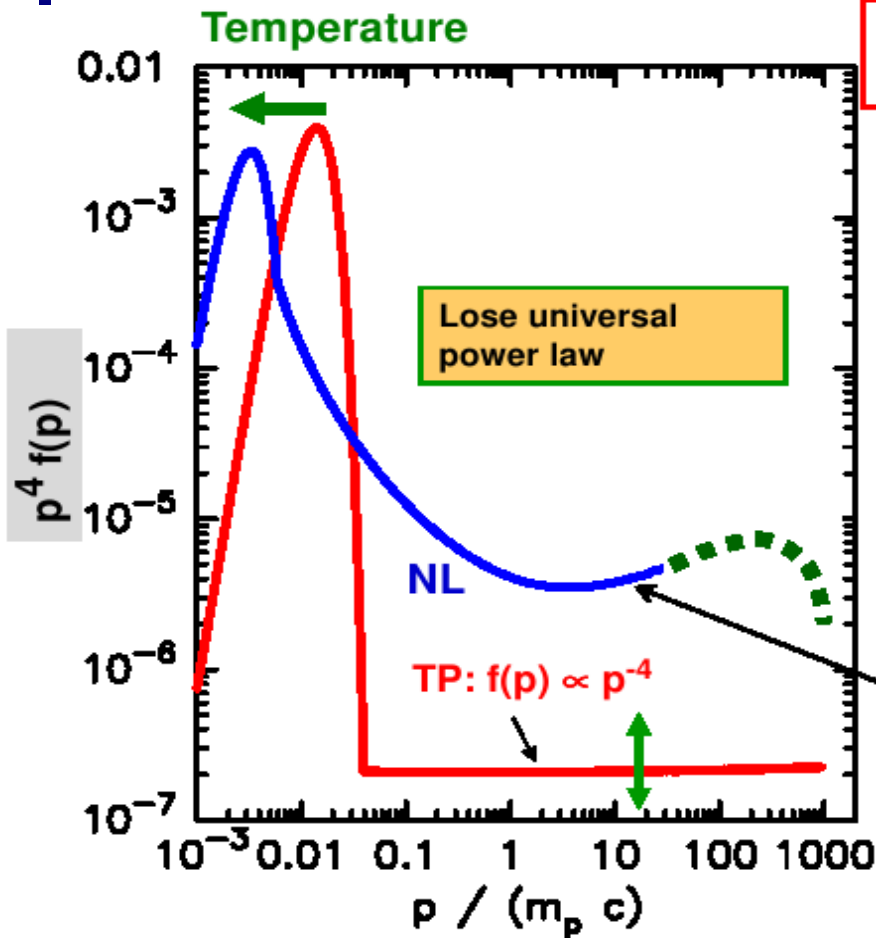
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left[\frac{1}{2} \rho_i u_i^3 + \frac{\gamma}{\gamma-1} P_i u_i + F_w \right] = -u \frac{\partial P_{CR}}{\partial z} + \Gamma_w$$

Transport equation for magnetic field

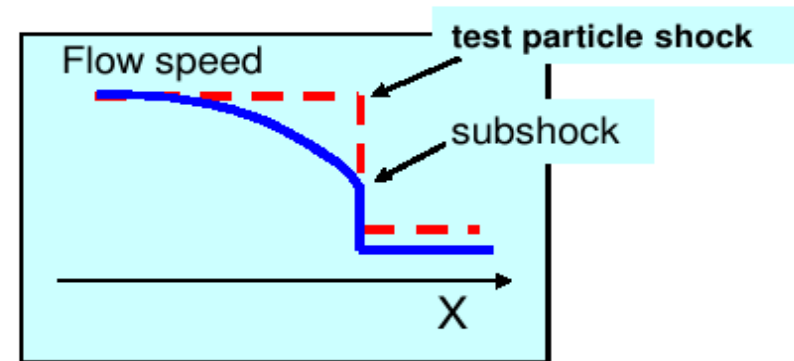
$$\frac{\partial F_w}{\partial z} = u \frac{\partial P_w}{\partial z} + P_w [\sigma_{CR}(k, z) - \Gamma(k, z)]$$



Including the CR Back-Reaction



If acceleration is efficient, shock becomes smooth from backpressure of CRs



- ▶ Concave spectrum
- ▶ Compression ratio, $r_{\text{tot}} > 4$
- ▶ Low shocked temp. $r_{\text{sub}} < 4$

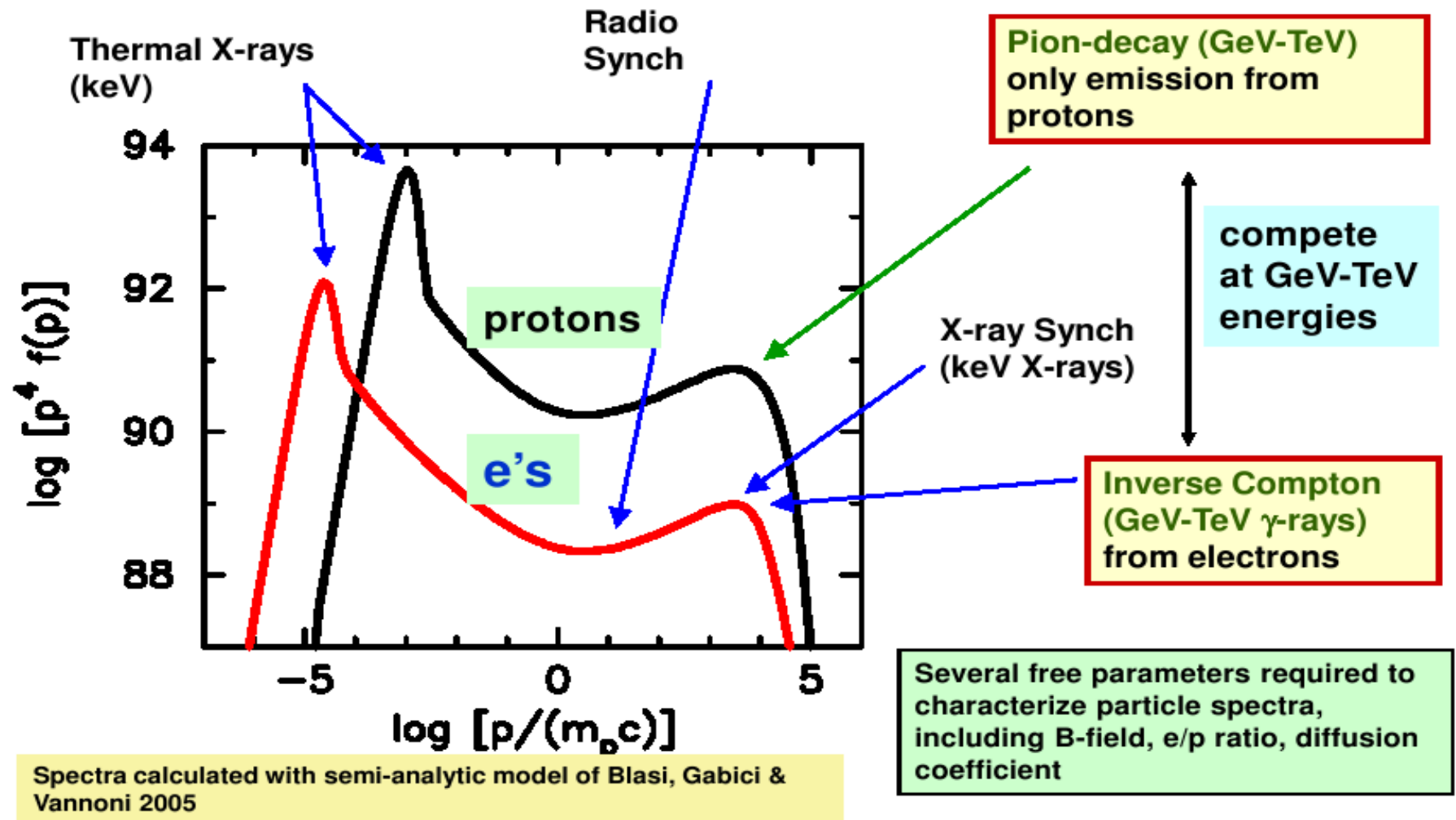
In efficient acceleration, entire spectrum must be described consistently, including escaping particles

→ much harder mathematically

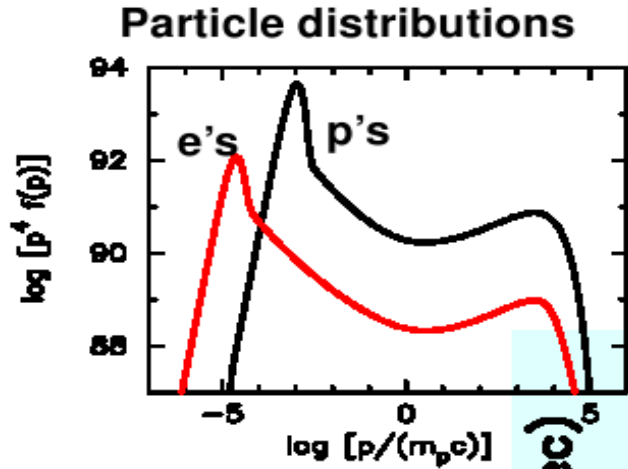
BUT, connects photon emission across spectrum from radio to γ -rays

EM radiation from accelerated particles

Electron and Proton distributions from efficient (nonlinear) diffusive shock acceleration

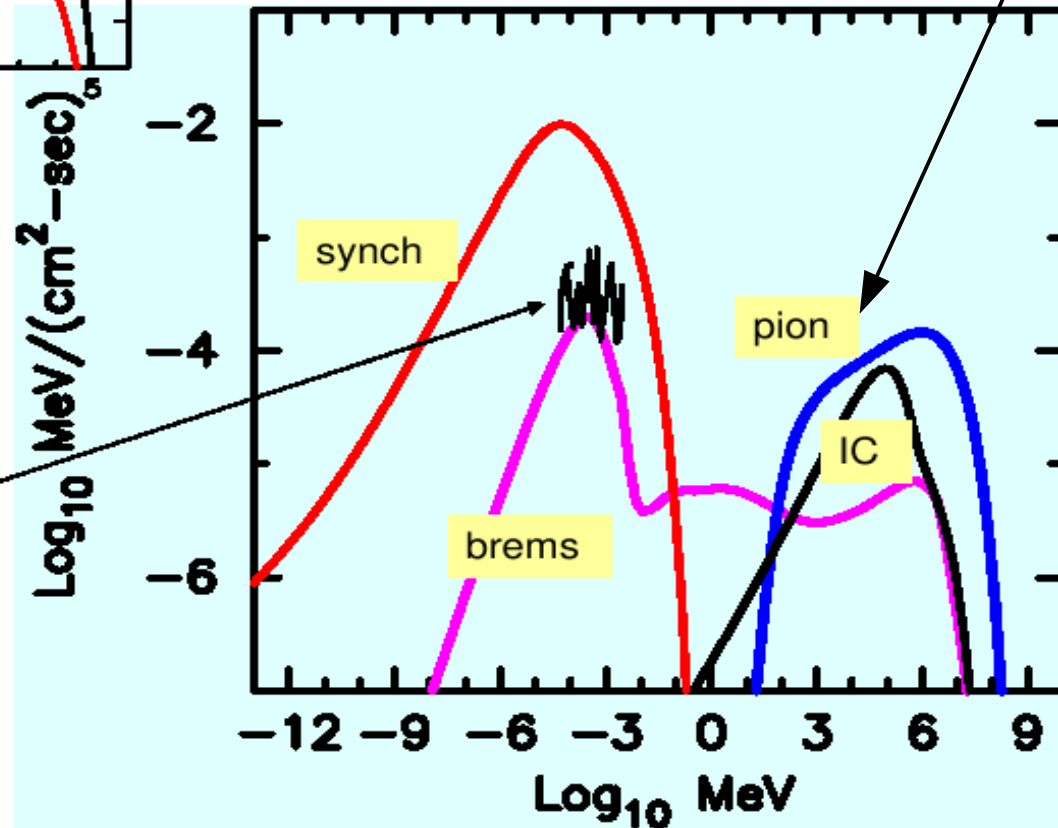


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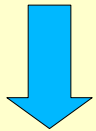


continuum emission

Pion decay and IC are competitive mechanisms

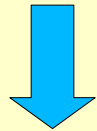


Hadronic models



Large B
 $> \sim 100 \mu\text{G}$

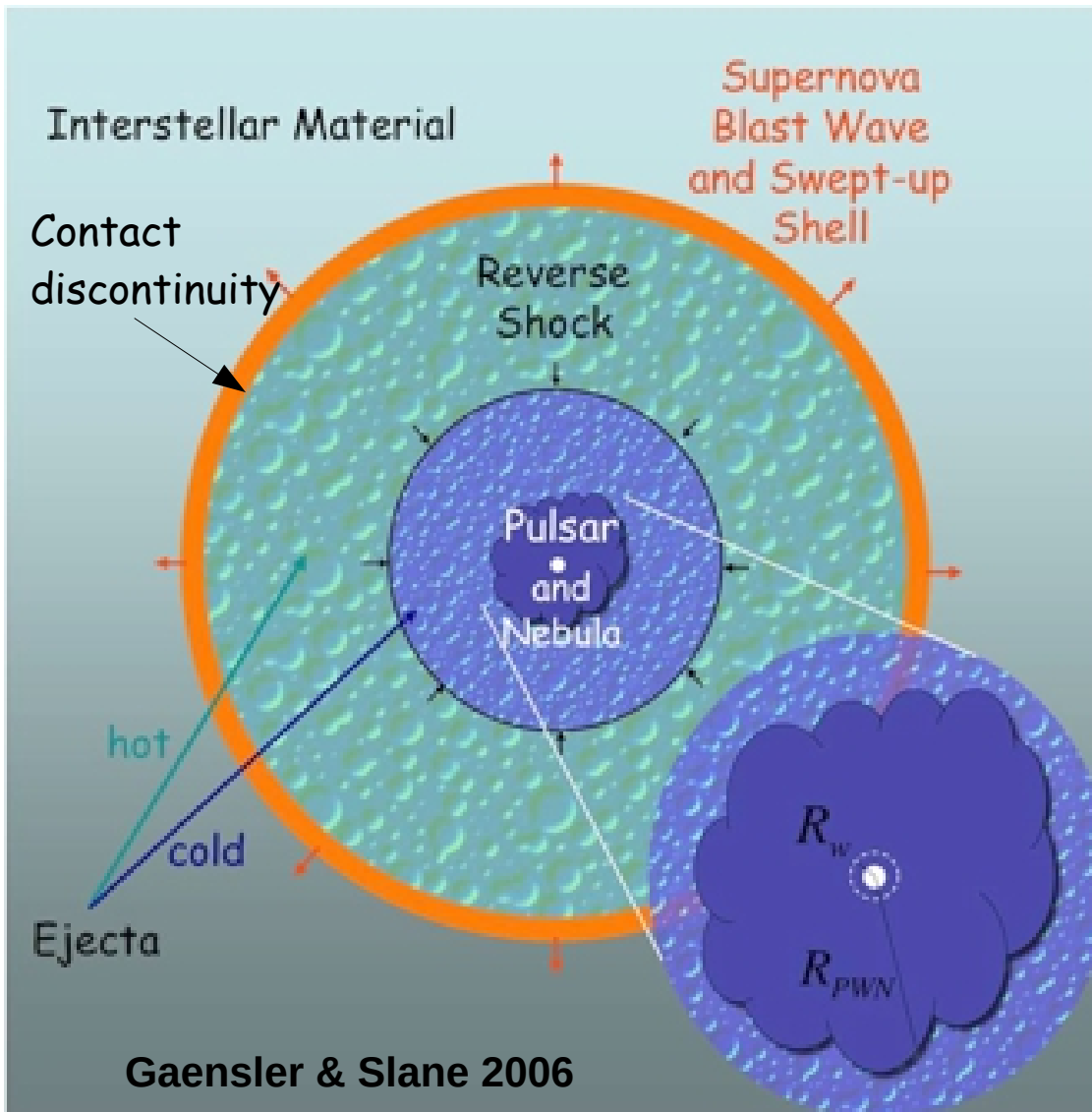
Leptonic models



Low B
 $\sim 10 \mu\text{G}$

APPLICATION TO ISOLATED SNRs

SNR structure



SNR structure

- ◆ ISM
- ◆ Forward shock
- ◆ Shocked ISM
- ◆ Contact discontinuity
- ◆ Shocked ejecta
- ◆ Reverse shock
- ◆ Unshocked ejecta

For core-collapse SNR

- ◆ PWN
- ◆ Termination shock
- ◆ Pulsar wind
- ◆ Pulsar

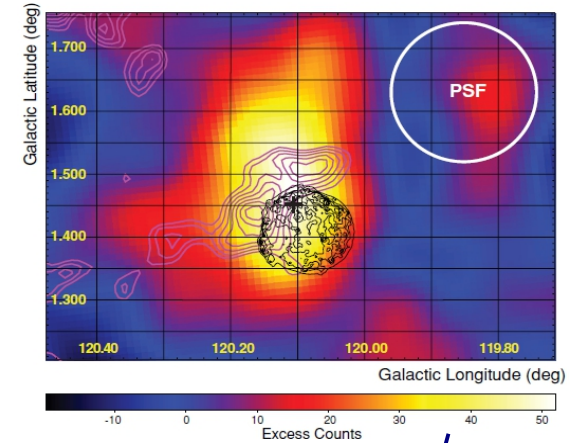
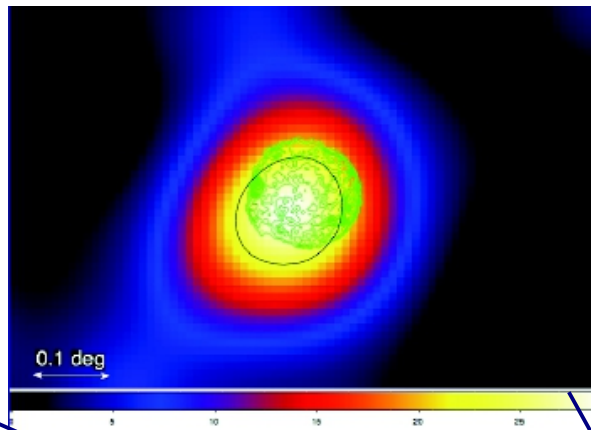
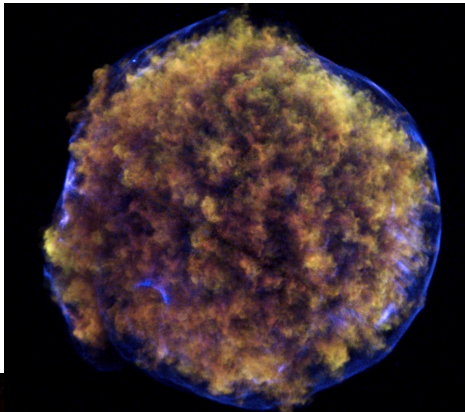
WHERE NON-THERMAL PARTICLES ARE PRODUCED?

Tycho's SNR (Type Ia SNR)

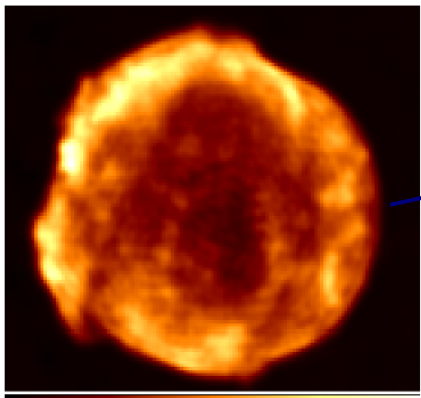
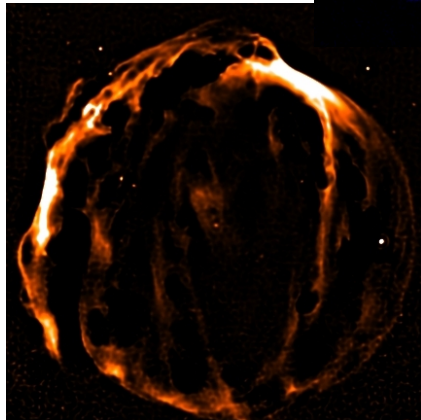
1-100 GeV from FermiLAT
[Giordano et al. 2011]

VERITAS map $E > 1$ TeV
[Acciari et al. 2011]

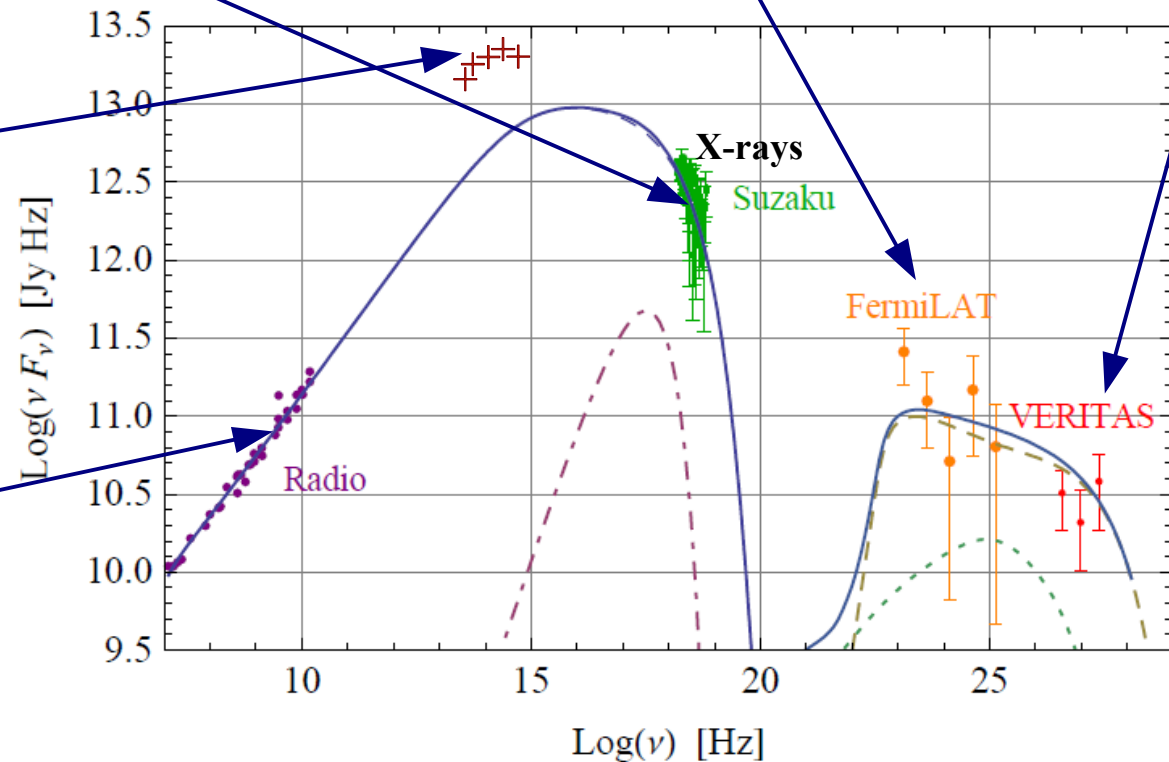
X-rays
(Chandra)



Spitzer image
at 24 μ m



Radio map
at 1.5 GHz

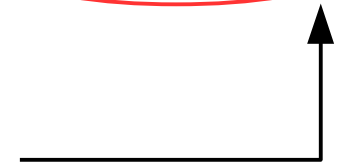


Summary of shell SNRs emitting TeV gamma rays

| NAME | Age [yr] | Distance [kpc] | Flux(>1TeV) [$10^{-12} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$] | Γ_{TeV} Spectral index | Evidence of cutoff | $E_{\text{y,max}}$ [TeV] |
|---------------------|----------------------|----------------|---|---|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Cas A | North. em. | 3.4 | 0.77 ± 0.11 | 2.61 ± 0.24 | (?) | 5 |
| Tycho | | 3.3 | 0.19 ± 0.05 | 1.95 ± 0.6 $\Gamma_{\text{GeV-TeV}} = 2.2$ | (?) | 10 |
| SN 1006 (NE) | 1000 | 2.2 | 0.23 ± 0.05 | 2.36 ± 0.2 | (?) | 20 |
| SN 1006 (SW) | " | " | 0.15 ± 0.05 | 2.43 ± 0.2 | (?) | 6 |
| RX J1713.7-3946 | ~1600 | 1 | 15.9 ± 0.6 | 2.32 ± 0.01 | YES @10TeV | 80 |
| RX J0852 (Vela Jr.) | 420-1400 (best ~700) | 200 pc - 1 kpc | 15.2 ± 3.2 | 2.24 ± 0.15 | YES | 10 |
| RCW 86 | 1600 | ~2.5 | 2.34 | 2.54 | (?) | 20 |
| G353.6-0.7 | ~14000(?) | 3.2(?) | 6.91 ± 0.75 | 2.32 ± 0.06 | NO | 30 |

Maximum detected energy in γ -rays.

In case of hadronic model $E_{\text{p,max}} \sim 10E_{\text{y,max}}$



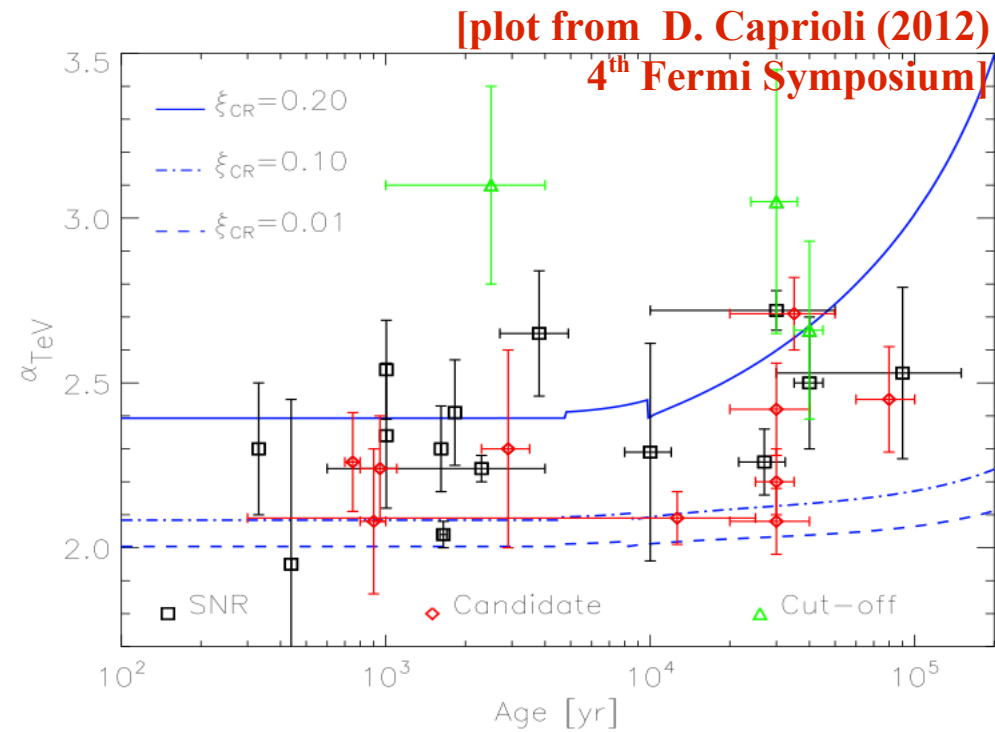
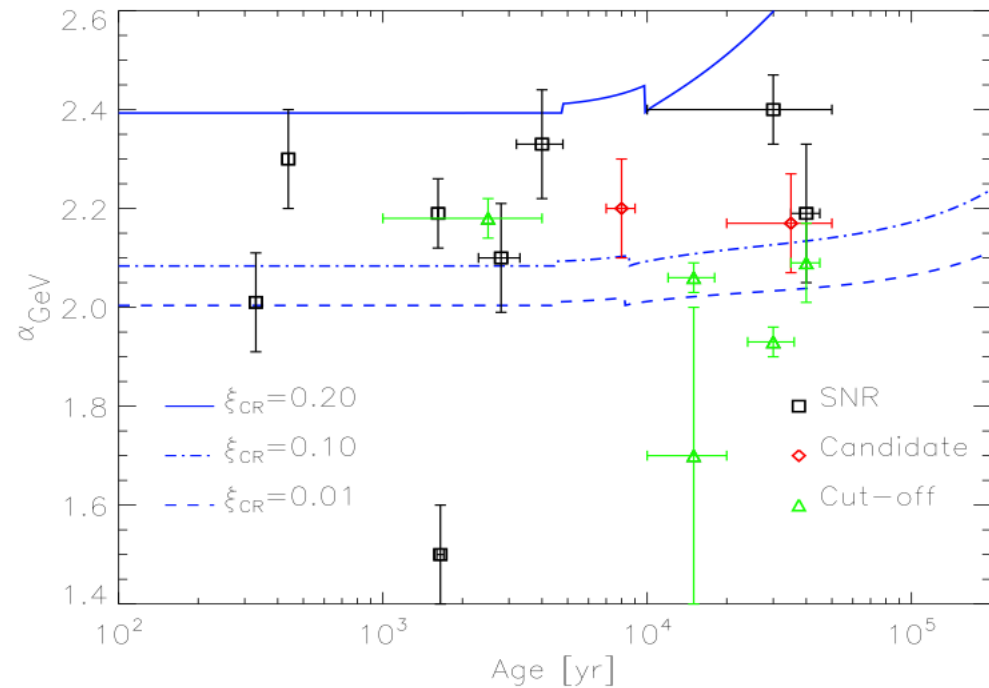
Slope of gamma-ray emission of SNRs

In many observed SNRs the slope is steeper than E^{-2}
 □ difficult to explain theoretically

If the γ -ray spectrum is hadronic ($\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$) the slope is the same as the proton spectrum

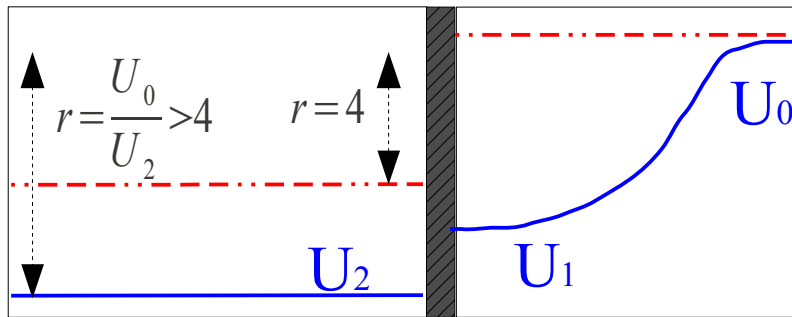
If the γ -ray spectrum is leptonic (IC) the spectrum is harder

$$f_e(E) \propto E^{-s} \rightarrow \phi_\gamma \propto E^{-(s-1)/2}$$

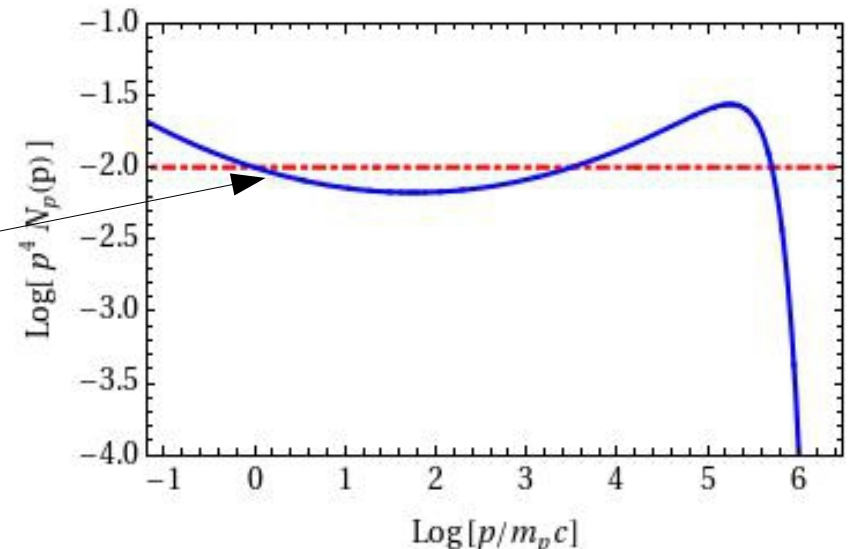


The role of scattering centers in presence of strong magnetic amplification

In the standard NLDSA the CR pressure modifies the shock structure in such a way to produce concave particle spectra with spectral slope < 2 at higher energies



Shock modified by CRs

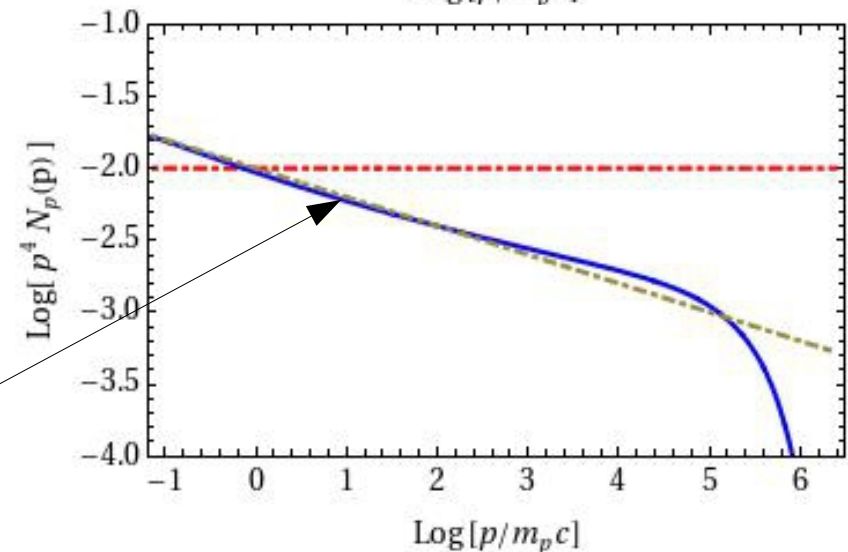


When the magnetic field is strongly amplified the Alfvén speed upstream can become a non negligible fraction of the shock speed. In this case the effective compression ratio is:

$$r = \frac{u_1 - v_{A,1}}{u_2 \pm v_{A,2}} \simeq \frac{u_1 - v_{A,1}}{u_2}$$

Downstream $v_{A,2} \approx 0$ because of helicity mixing.
In the case of Tycho:

$$v_{A,1} = \frac{B_1}{\sqrt{4\pi\rho_1}} \approx 0.15V_{sh} \rightarrow s = \frac{r+2}{r-1} \simeq 4.2 \quad (2.2 \text{ in energy})$$



Modelling the multi-wavelength spectrum of Tycho

[G.M. & D. Caprioli, 2012]

Simultaneous fit of multi-wavelength spectrum with non-linear DSA model

- 1) Maximum energy of ions
- 2) Non-thermal spectrum
- 3) Amplified magnetic field

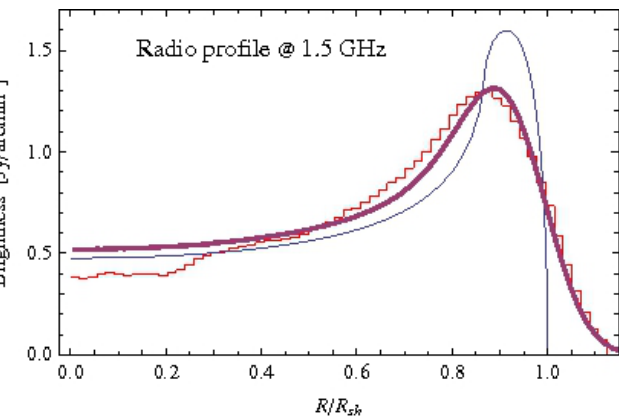
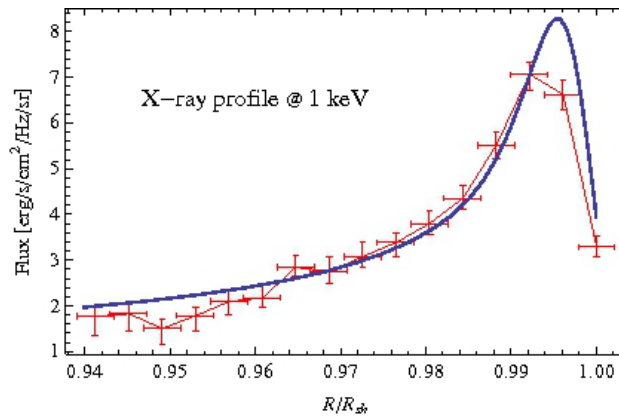
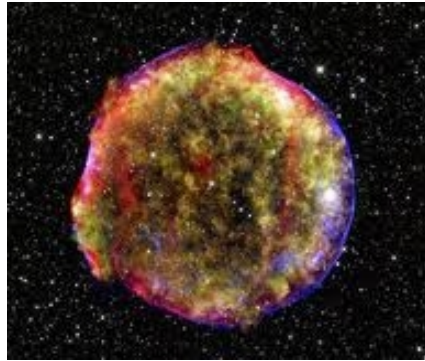
$$E_{max} = 470 \text{ TeV}$$

$$N(E) \propto E^{-2.3}$$

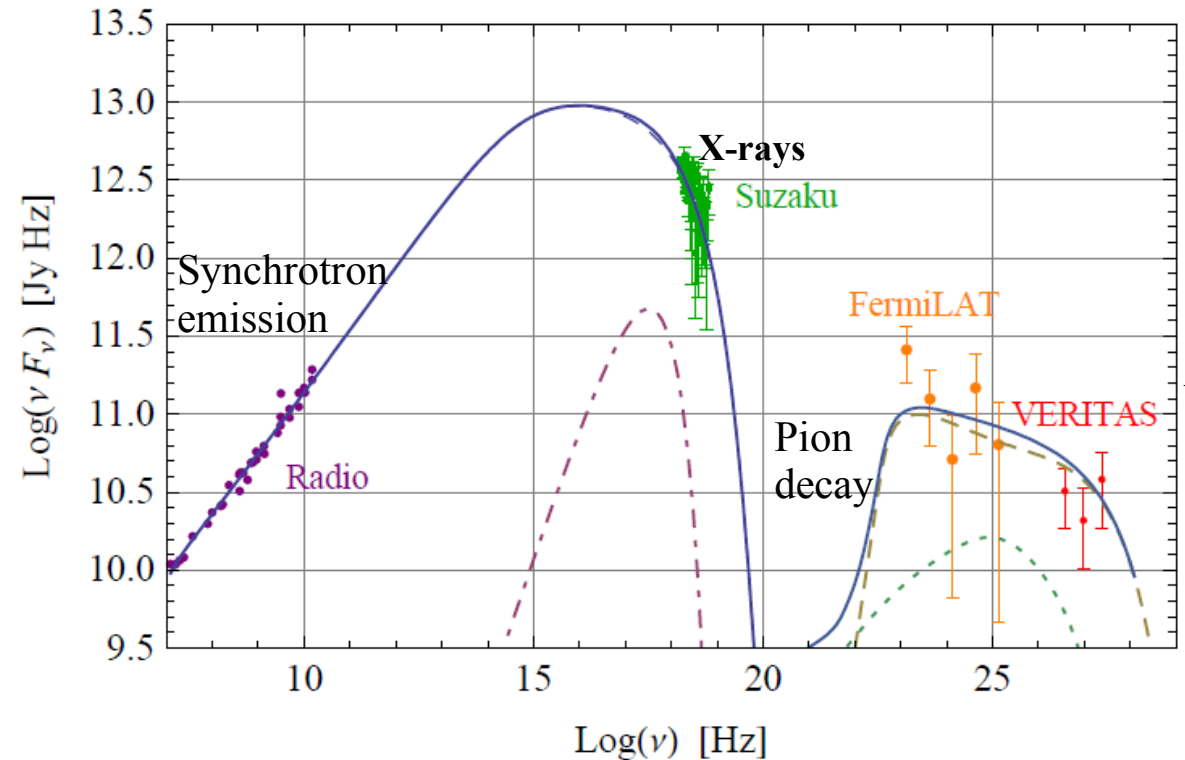
$$\delta B_2 \approx 300 \mu\text{G}$$

- 4) TOTAL CRs ENERGY

$$\epsilon_{CR} = 12\% E_{SN}$$



Results for the Tycho's remnant



Application to the Kepler's SNR

[D. Caprioli & G.M., preliminary results]

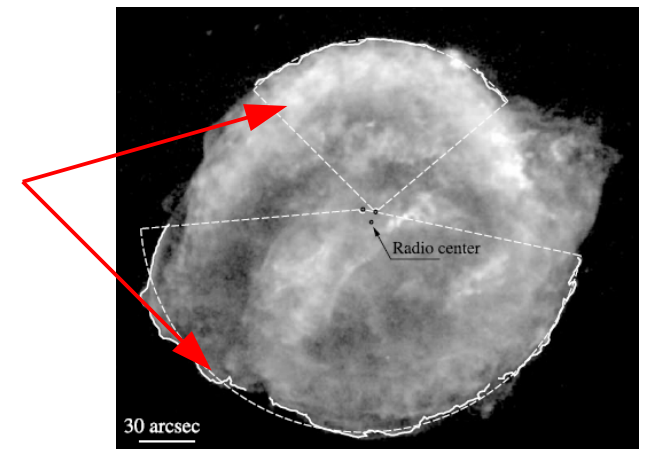
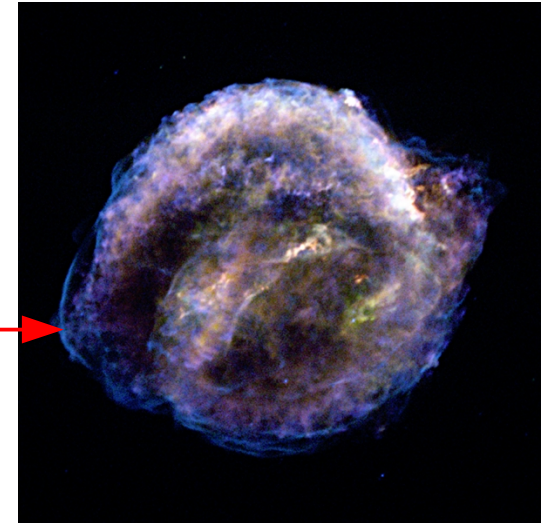
The Kepler's Remnant shows remarkable similarities with Tycho:

- both originate from Type Ia SN
- similar age (408 vs 440 yrs)
- similar radio spectral index (0.64 vs 0.65)
- presence of non-thermal X-ray emission in thin filaments

But also differences:

- **Kepler is not detected in gamma rays** (larger distance?)
- Several north-south asymmetry has been detected
 - Radio and X-ray emission more pronounced in the North
 - different shock speed
 - different expansion rate

Due to expansion in a non-uniform CSM
(probably progenitor's wind?)



Chandra X-ray map.
From Katsuda et al (2008)

**We apply a model similar to the one used for Tycho:
results must be taken with care because we use uniform CSM
density**

Multi-wavelength spectrum of Kepler

[D. Caprioli & G.M., preliminary results]

Assumed

$$E_{SN} = 10^{51} \text{ erg}$$

$$M_{eje} = 1 M_{sol}$$

$$T_{SNR} = 400 \text{ yr}$$

$$f(v) \propto (v/v_{eje})^{-7}$$

Fitted

$$n_0 = 0.3 \text{ p/cm}^3$$

$$\xi_{inj} = 3.7$$

$$\chi_{esc} = 0.1 R_{sh}$$

$$K_{ep} = 2.8 \times 10^{-3}$$



Inferred

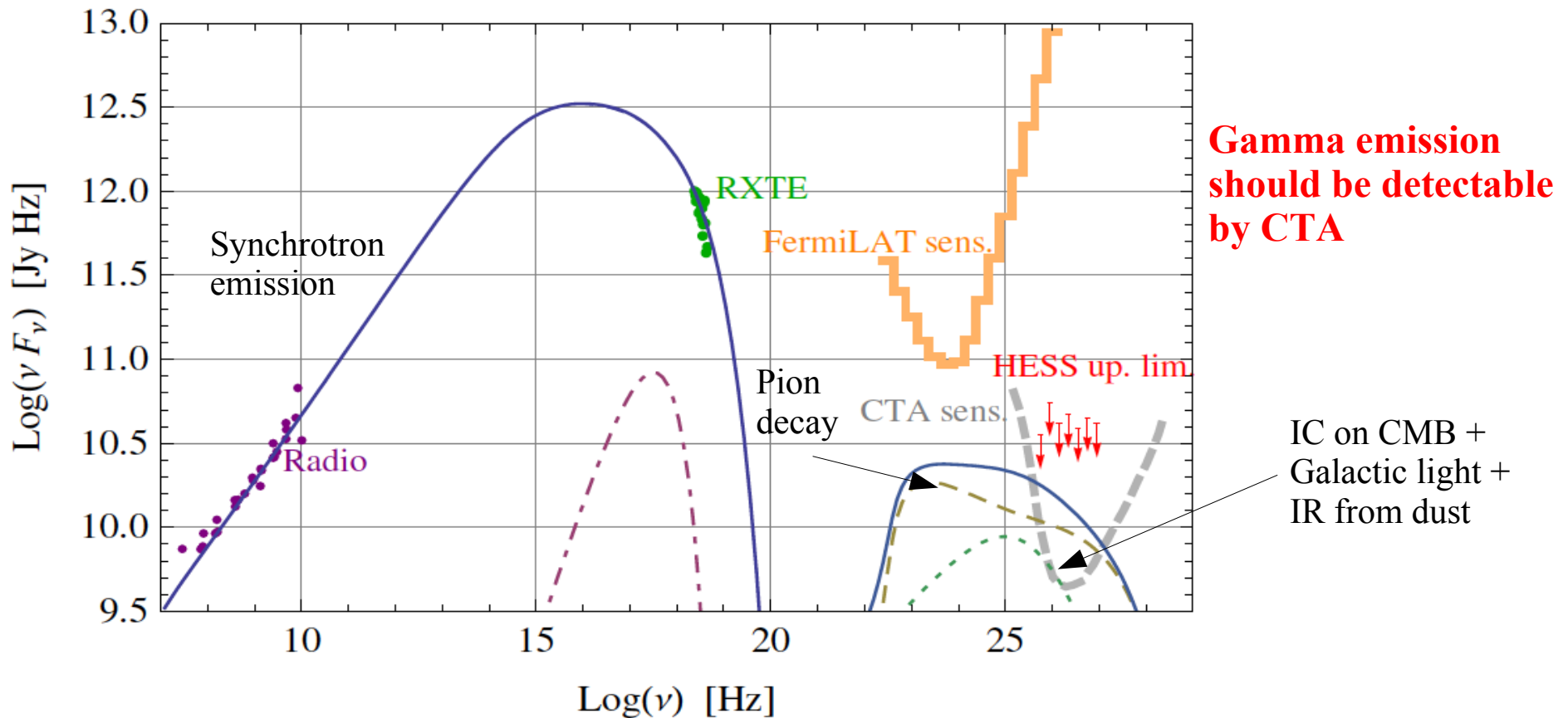
$$d = 7.1 \text{ pc}$$

$$V_{sh} = 5200 \text{ km/s}$$

$$R_{sh} = 3.7 \text{ pc}$$

CR efficiency

$$\epsilon_{\pm} \simeq 12\%$$

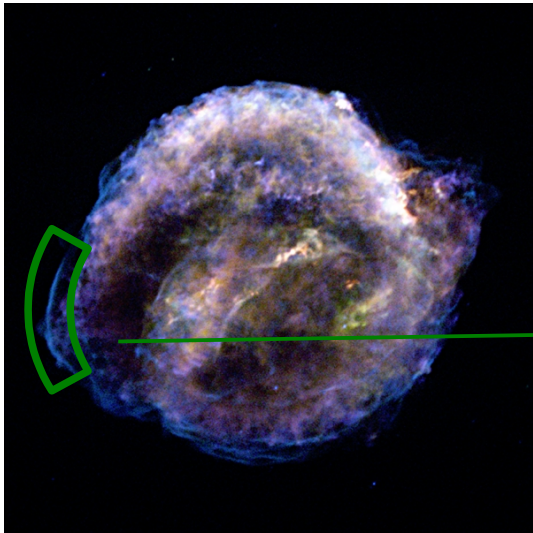


Radial profile of X and radio emission for Kepler

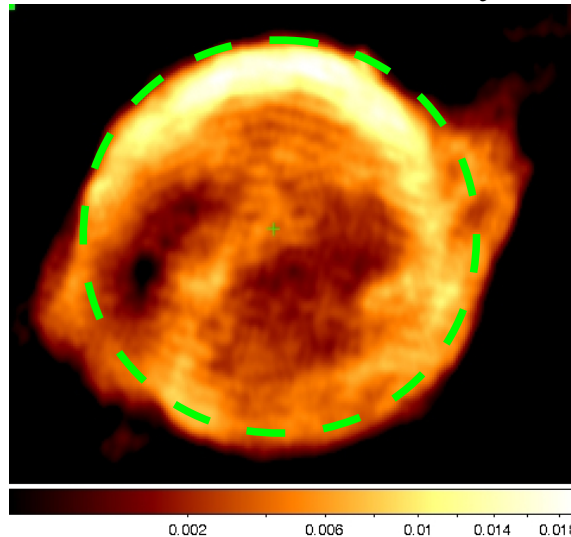
[D. Caprioli & G.M., preliminary results]

Chandra X-ray map.

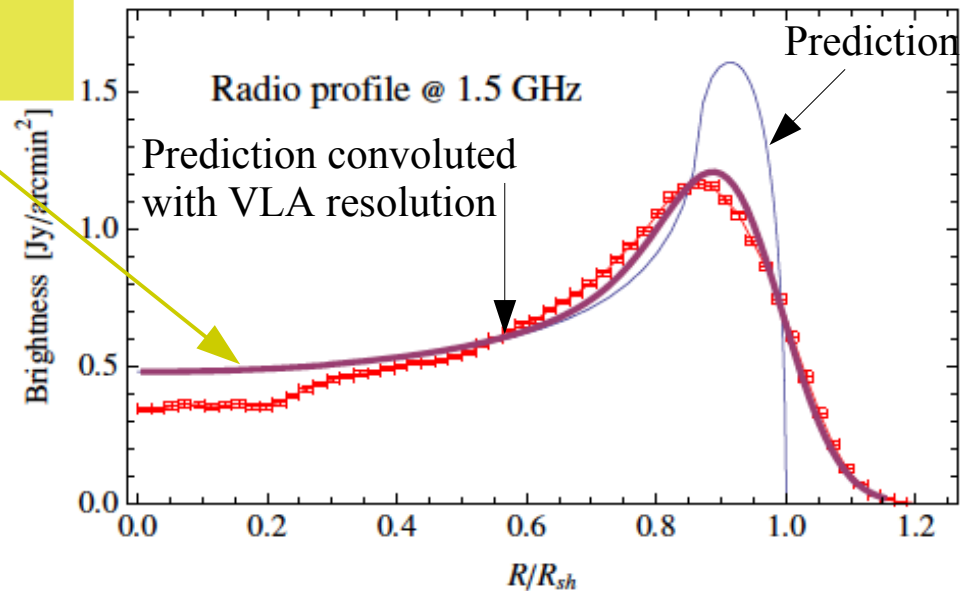
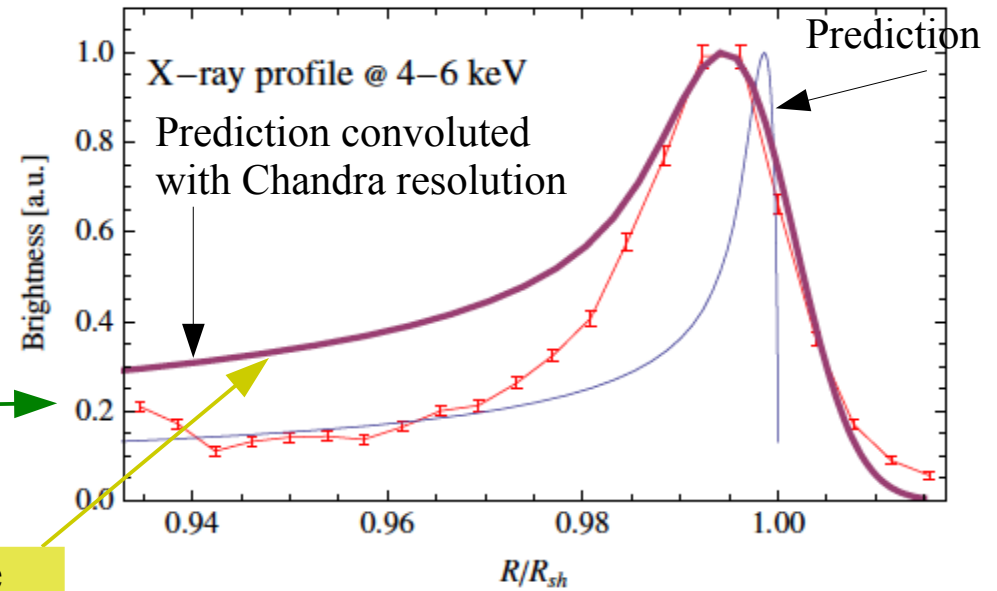
Data for the green sector are from Vink (2008)



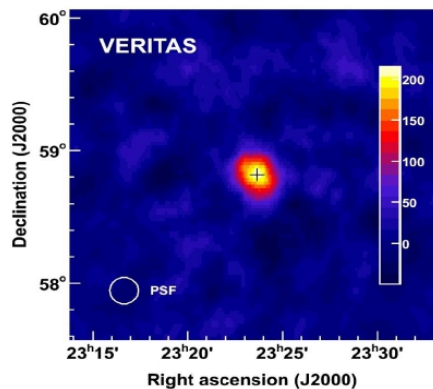
Radio map at 5 GHz from NRAO/VLA archive Survey



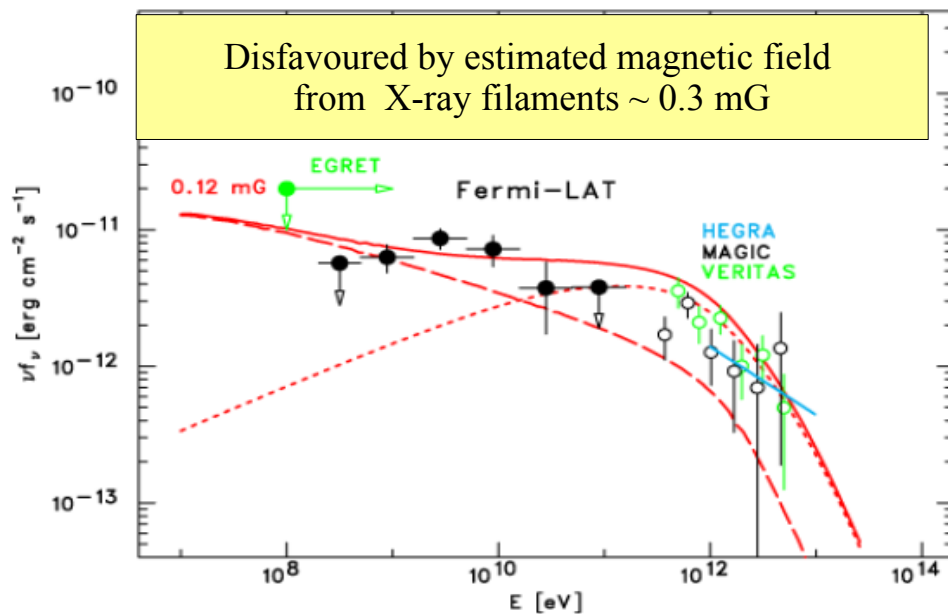
These excesses could be due to deviation from spherical symmetry



Cas A in TeV (*VERITAS*)

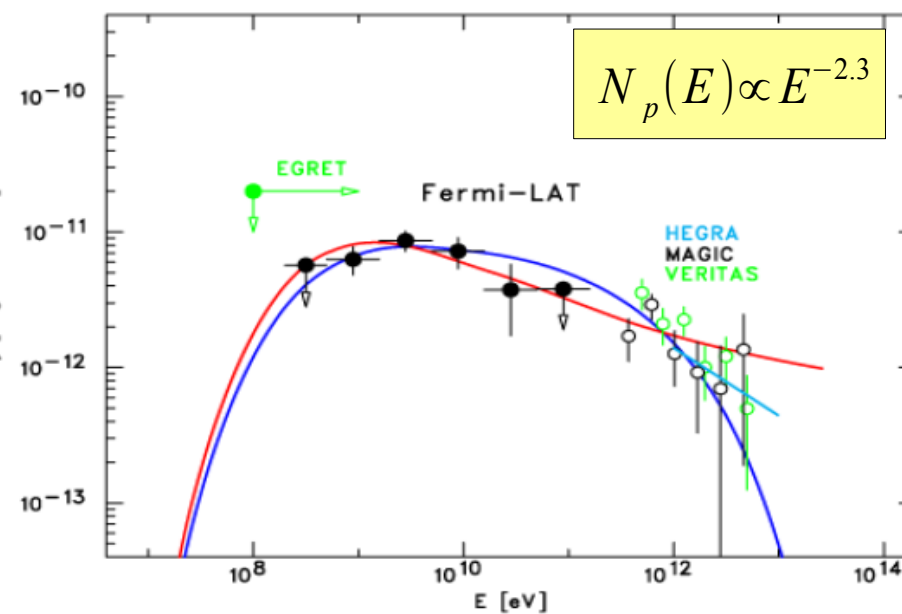


Cas A in X-rays (*Chandra*)



Leptonic Model

$B=120\mu\text{G}$, PL (-2.34) + cutoff @ 40 TeV
 Dashed Line – Bremsstrahlung
 Dotted Line – IC (dominated by FIR)



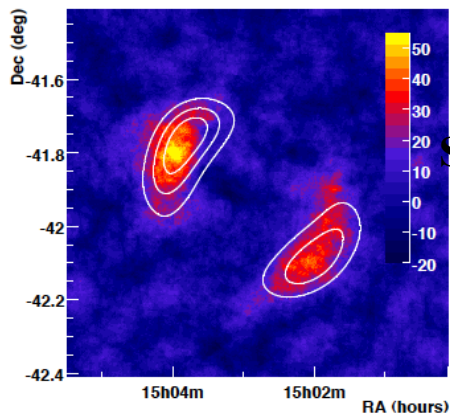
Hadronic Models

Blue: PL (-2.1) + cutoff @ 10 TeV
 Red: PL (-2.3)

Hadronic model is favored, but leptons not ruled out

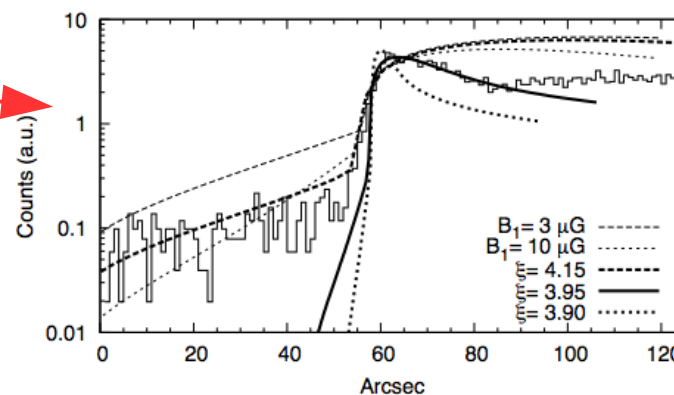
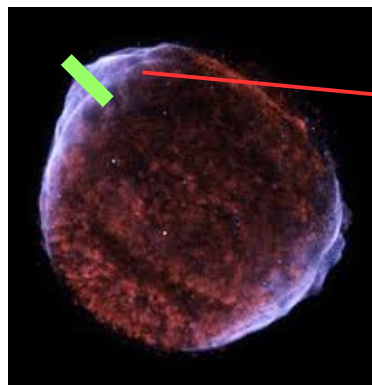
Abdo et al. ApJL 710 (2010)

SN 1006 in TeV (HESS)



Size 30 arcmin

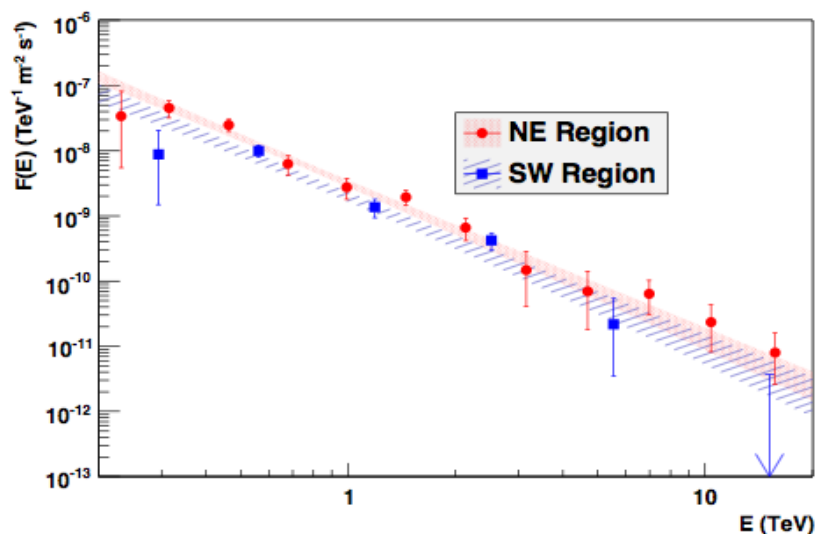
SN 1006 in X-rays (Chandra)



$B_{\text{down}} \sim 80-120 \mu\text{G}$

The magnetic field amplification is occurring upstream!!

HESS data (130 hrs of observation)

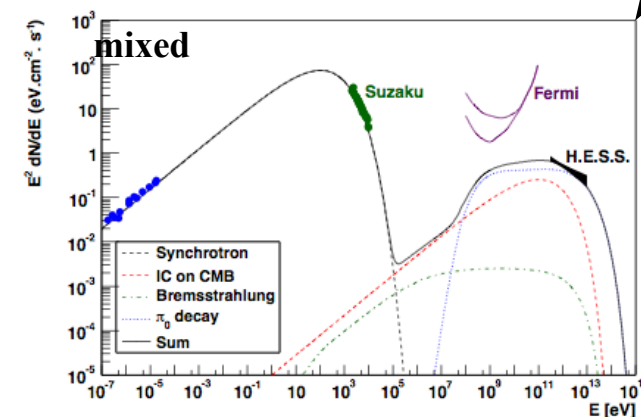
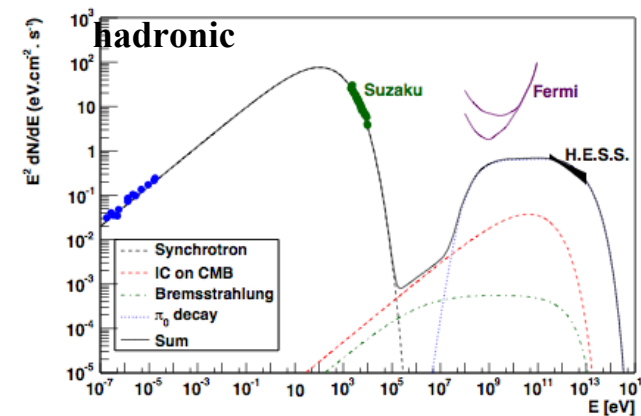
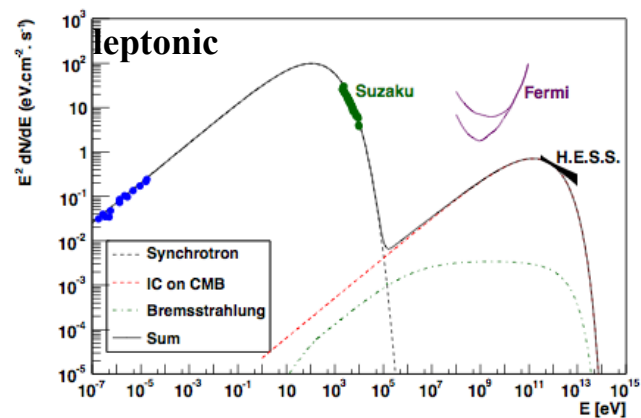


Total gamma-ray flux $< \sim 1\%$ Crab

| Region | photon index Γ | $\Phi(> 1\text{TeV})$ ($10^{-12}\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$) |
|--------|---|--|
| NE | $2.35 \pm 0.14_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.2_{\text{syst}}$ | $0.233 \pm 0.043_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.047_{\text{syst}}$ |
| SW | $2.29 \pm 0.18_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.2_{\text{syst}}$ | $0.155 \pm 0.037_{\text{stat}} \pm 0.031_{\text{syst}}$ |

Model fit parameters from Aharonian et al.(2014),
arXiv:1004.2124

| Model | $E_{cut,e}$ [TeV] | $E_{cut,p}$ [TeV] | W_e [10^{47} erg] | W_p [10^{50} erg] | B [μ G] |
|----------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| Leptonic | 10 | - | 3.3 | - | 30 |
| Hadronic | 5 | 80 | 0.3 | 3.0 | 120 |
| Mixed | 8 | 100 | 1.4 | 2.0 | 45 |



Leptonic model (1 zone):

- ✚ Explain the integrated gamma-ray flux
- ✚ Fails to explain the steep spectrum
- ✚ Requires low B , contrary to what inferred from observed thin X-ray rim ($B \sim 120 \mu$ G)

Hadronic model (1 zone):

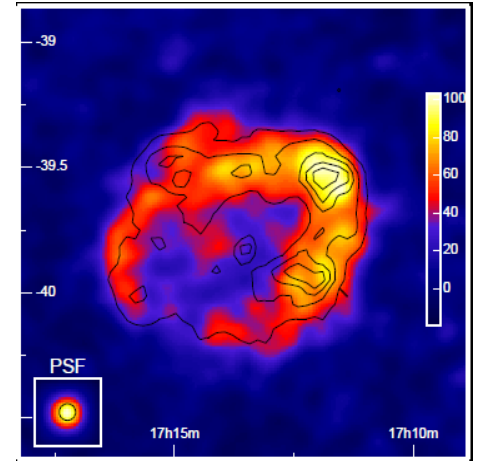
- ✚ Requires efficiency $\sim 30\%$
- ✚ 1) Steep spectrum $E^{-2.3}$ with $E_{cut} \gg 100$ TeV
- ✚ 2) hard spectrum E^{-2} with $E_{cut} \sim 80$ TeV

How to distinguish between the two scenarios?

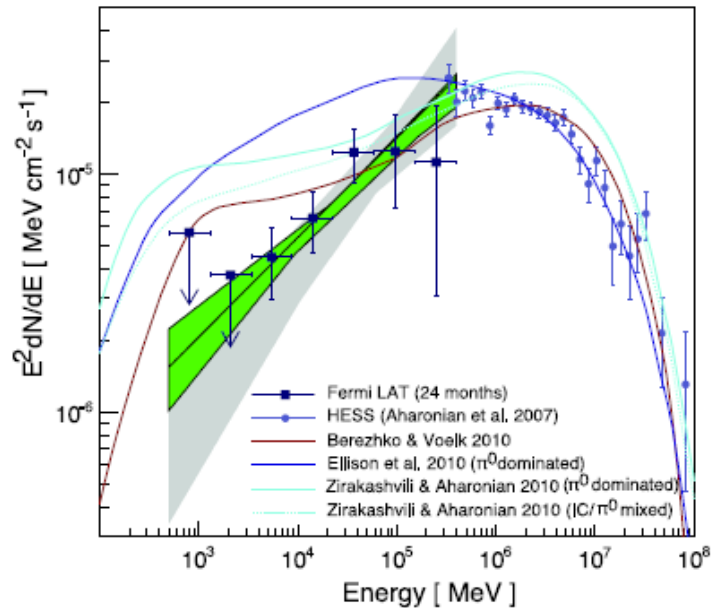
- ✚ At high energies X-rays come from downstream while IC photons come from upstream $\rightarrow 1'$ resolution will be able to detect a displacement between X-rays and γ -rays
- ✚ Extending the detection to $E > 10$ TeV will reveal the presence of a cutoff

The remnant **RX J1713.7-3946** has been considered the most promising candidate to prove the existence of accelerated hadrons
FermiLAT data seem to favor a probable leptonic origin

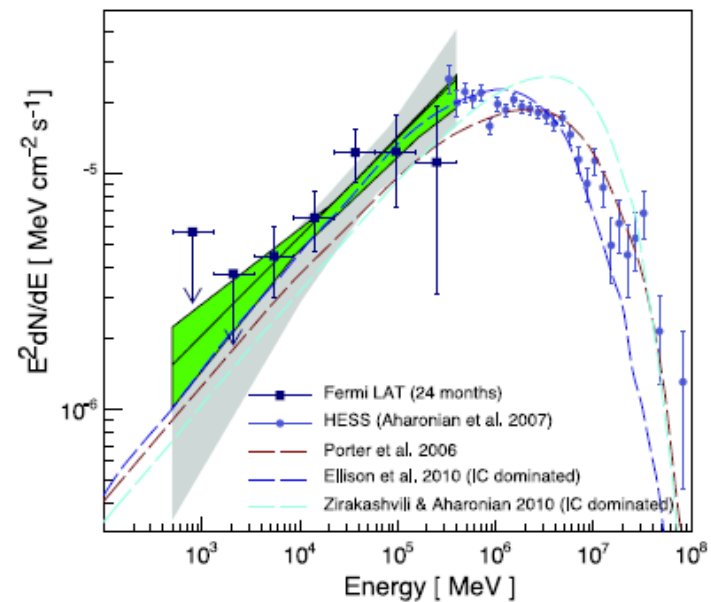
BUT...



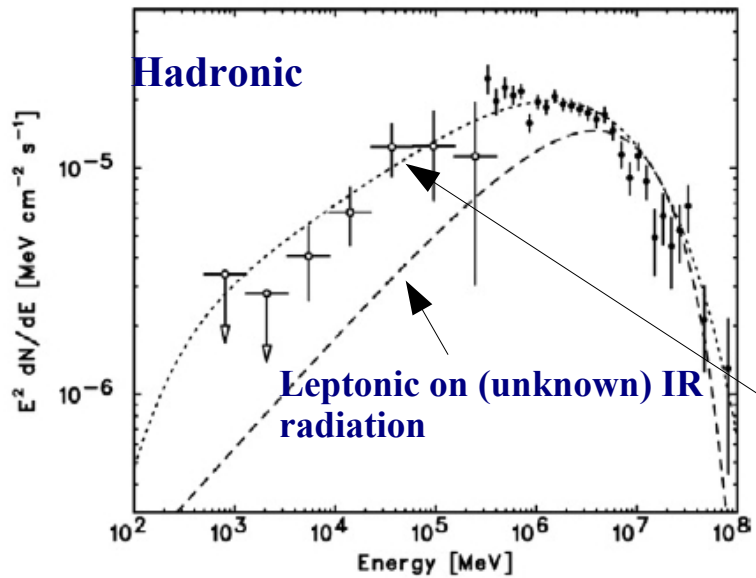
Hadronic model(s): $\pi^{\pm} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$



Leptonic model(s): inverse Compton scattering



Curves from
T. Tanaka et al., ApJ 685 (2008)



Both leptonic and hadronic models have problems in fitting Ge-TeV emission.

Leptonic model (1 zone):

- ⊕ Problems in fitting the highest energy points
- ⊕ Need a IR background 30 > Gal. average

Hadronic model in clumpy medium:

- ⊕ Reasonable fit with hard spectrum $E^{-1.72}$ and with $E_{p,cut} \sim 250$ TeV

How to produce hard spectrum?

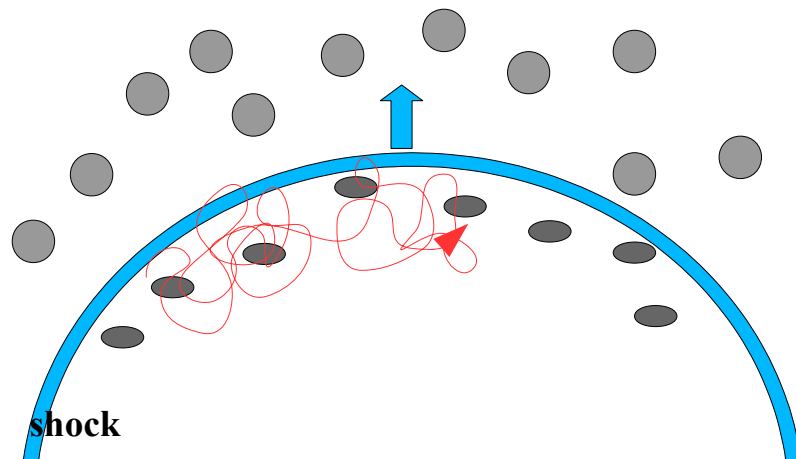
Expansion in circumstellar medium with low average density but with high density clumps:

Nj High en. particles penetrate inside the clumps

Nj Low en. particles do not penetrate

Nj **we get a hard spectrum**

Clumpy CSM



Remnant size $\sim 120'$

- γ -ray emission well correlate with Radio and X-ray emission
- Main uncertainty due to distance $200\text{pc} < d < 1\text{kpc}$

• Both hadronic and leptonic model can fit the data

• Lept. model favored for spectral shape but need $B \sim 6 \mu\text{G}$

- X-ray filaments require $B \sim 100 \mu\text{G}$

- Issue in fitting the shell in γ -rays

→ A better morphological study in γ -rays will help in distinguish between L. and H.

