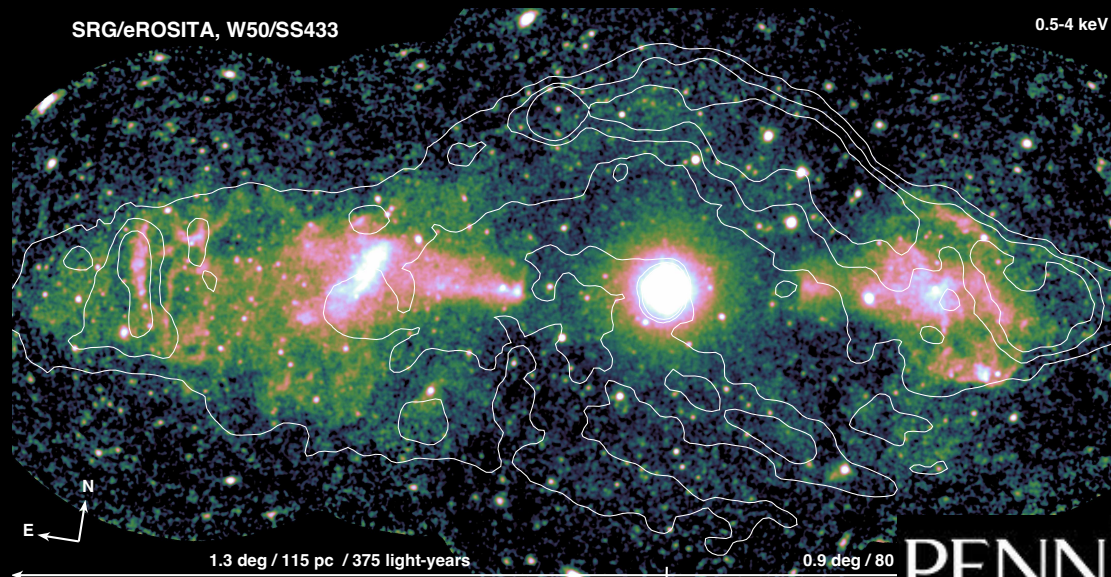


Diffuse Galactic Emission and Galactic Super-PeVatrons



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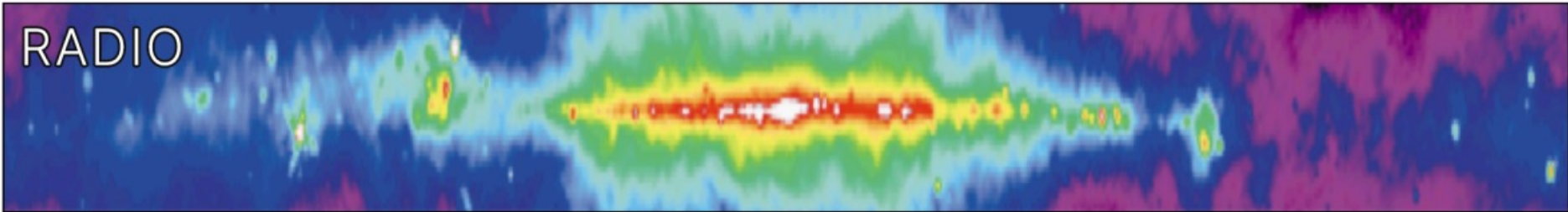
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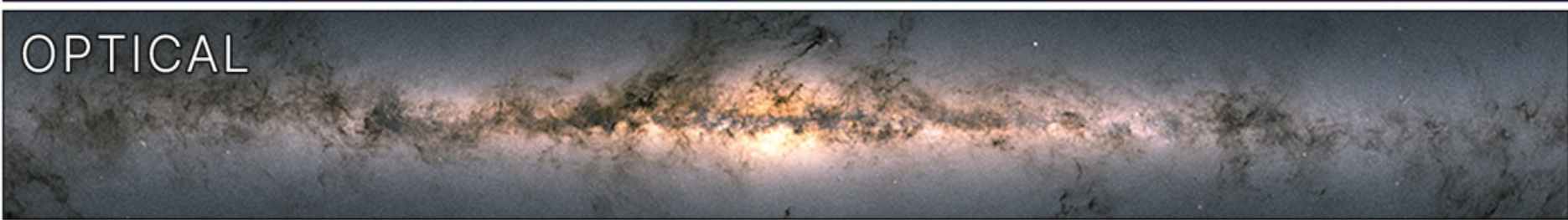
2023: Evidence of Neutrinos from the Milky Way

IceCube 23 Science

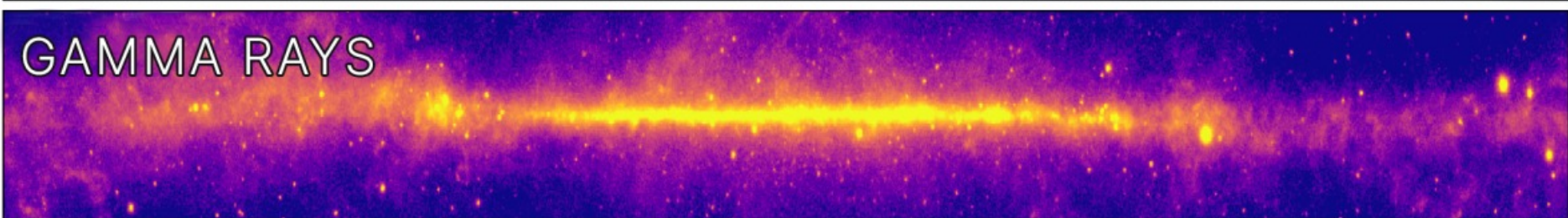
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GAMMA RAYS



NEUTRINOS



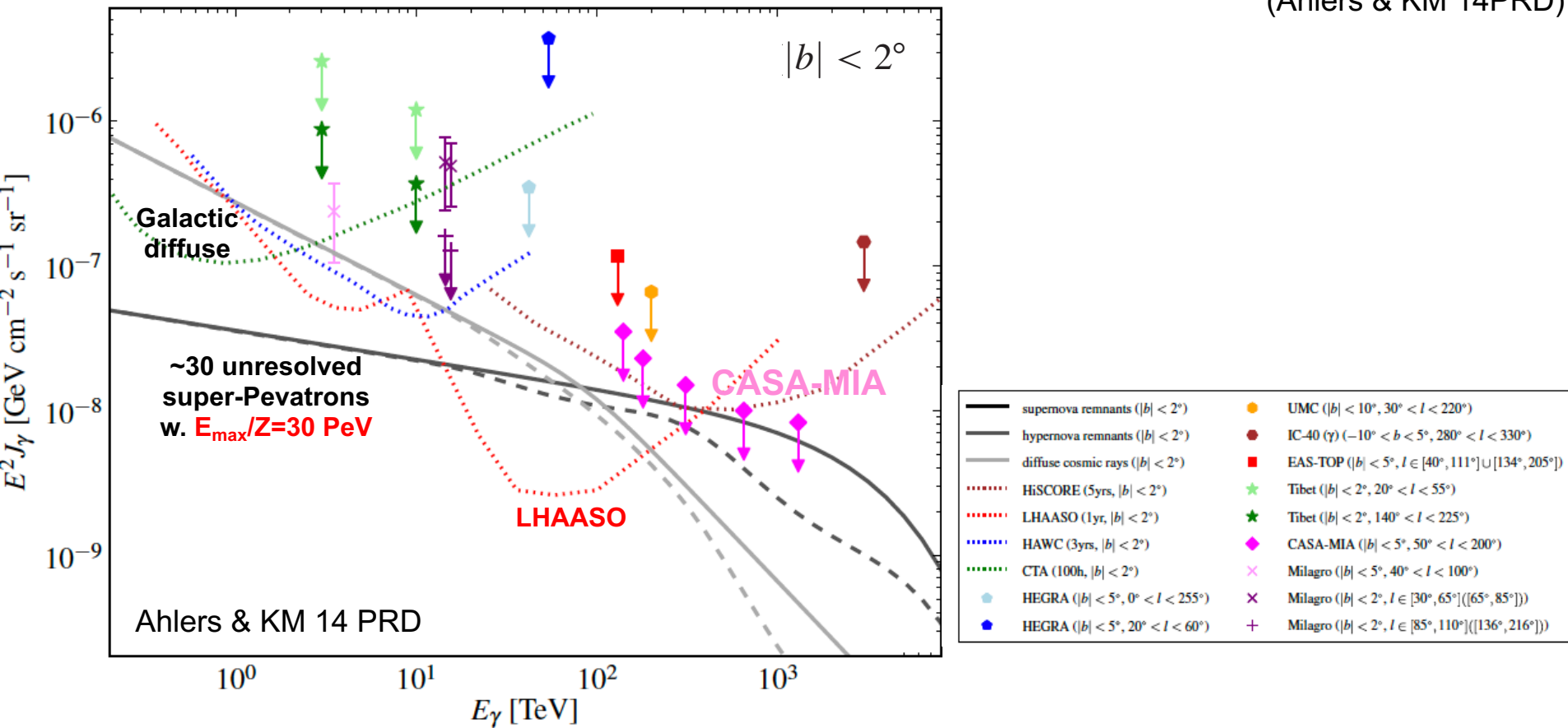
Neutrino emission from the Milky Way (**~10% of total**) has been observed w. 4.5σ

Galactic Multimessenger Connection: A Decade Ago

$$p + p \rightarrow N\pi + X \quad \pi^0:\pi^\pm \sim 1:2 \rightarrow \mathbf{E}_\gamma^2 \Phi_\gamma : \mathbf{E}_\nu^2 \Phi_\nu \sim 2:3$$

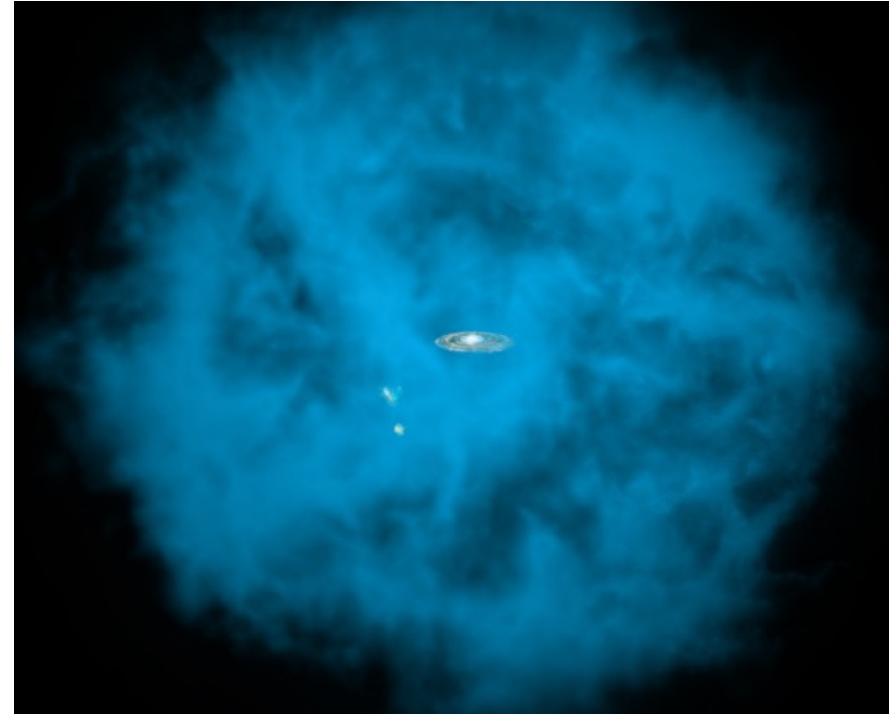
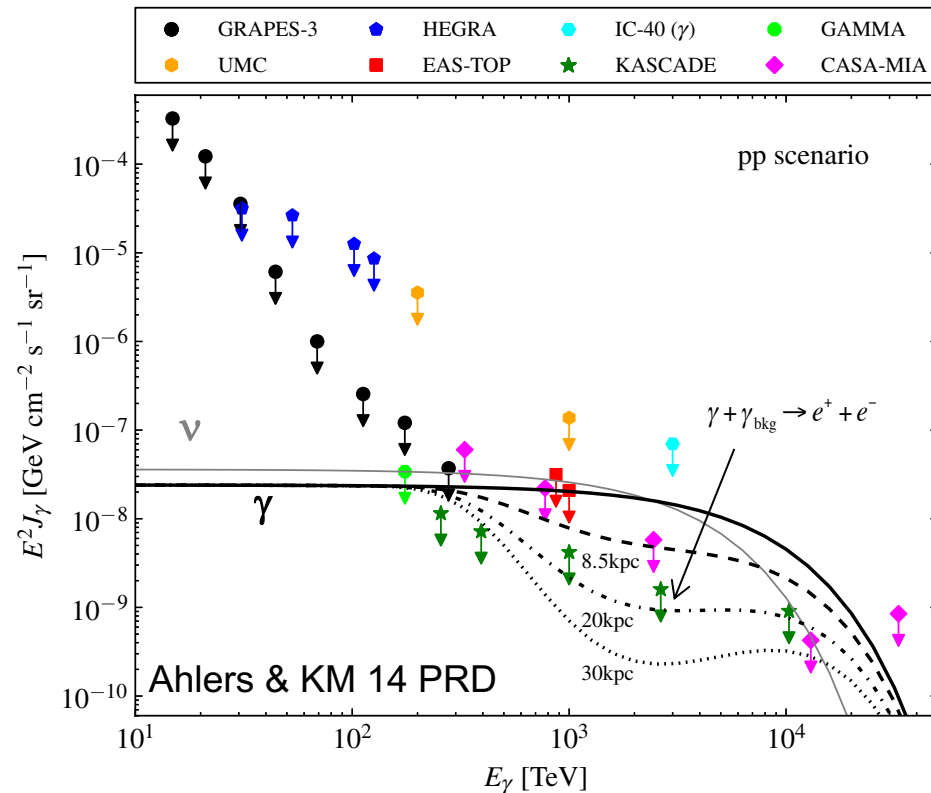
- Most γ rays from Galactic sources reach Earth
- Neither γ rays nor ν s were NOT observed in the sub-PeV range a decade ago
- We already learned that Galactic contribution to IceCube ν s is **subdominant**

(Ahlers & KM 14PRD)



Galactic Multimessenger Connection: Halo Case

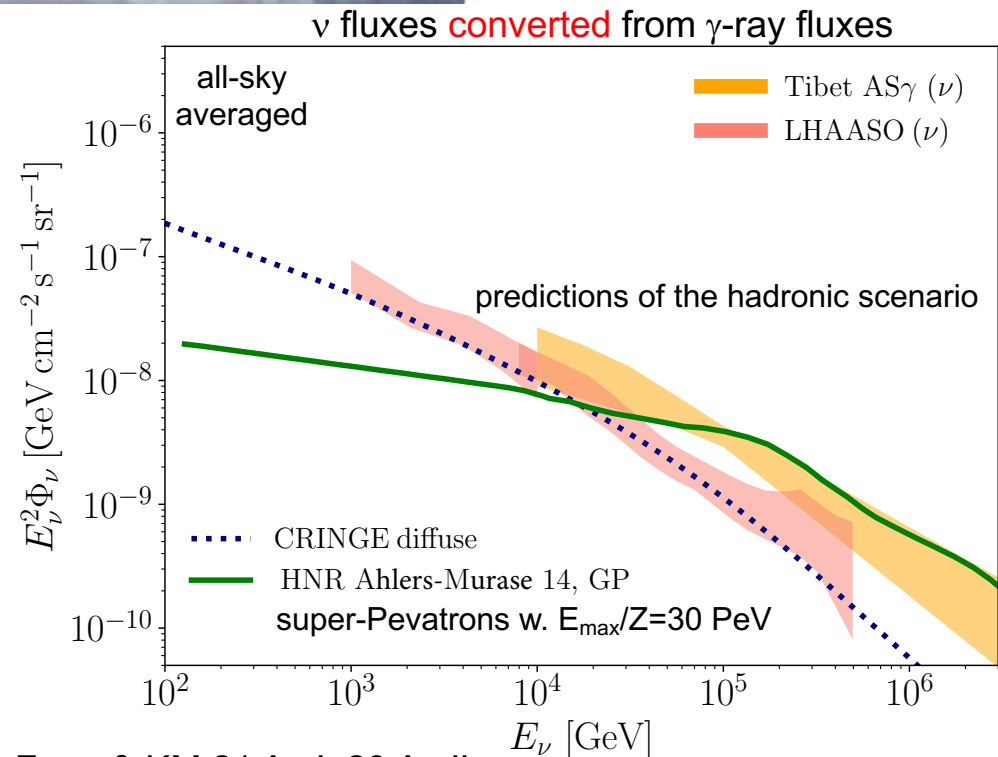
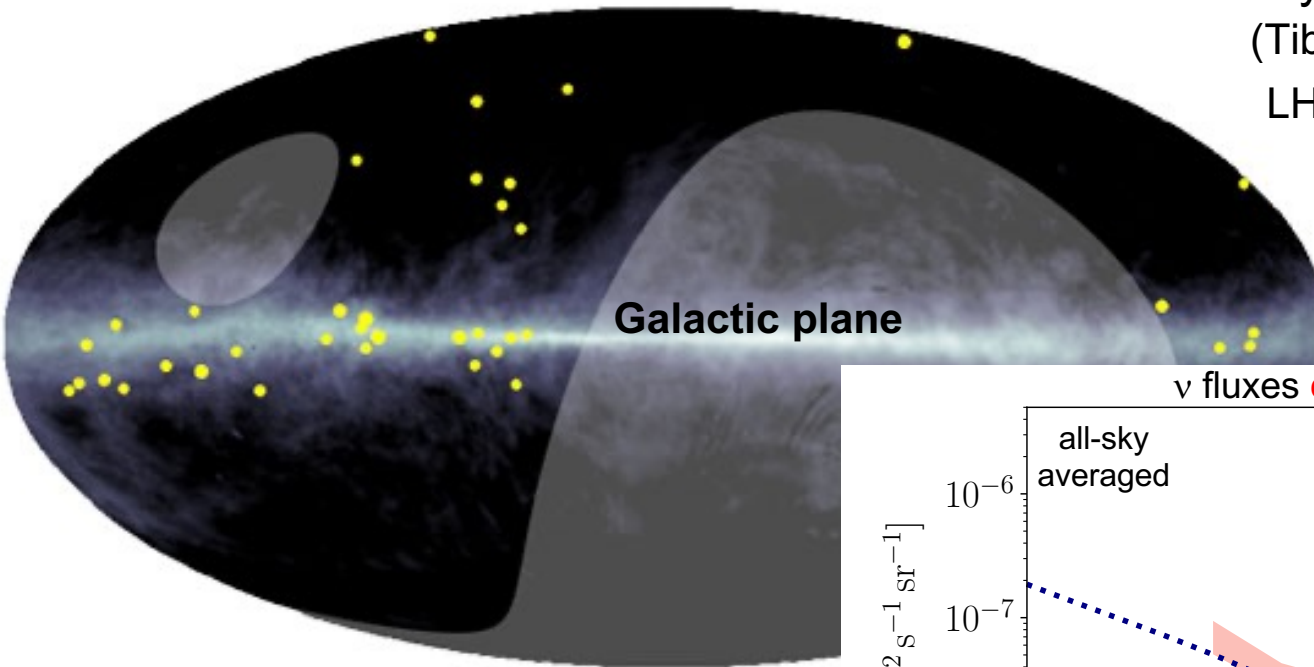
Quasi-isotropic limits (Galactic halo CR model)



- Air-shower arrays have placed diffuse γ -ray limits at TeV-PeV
Fermi γ -ray data imply $s_v < 2.0 \rightarrow$ extragalactic origins
(KM Ahlers & Lacki 13 PRDR, KM, Guetta & Ahlers 16 PRL)
- Improved limits with PEPS?
(related analyses: heavy dark matter searches)

Galactic Diffuse Sub-PeV Gamma Rays Are Seen

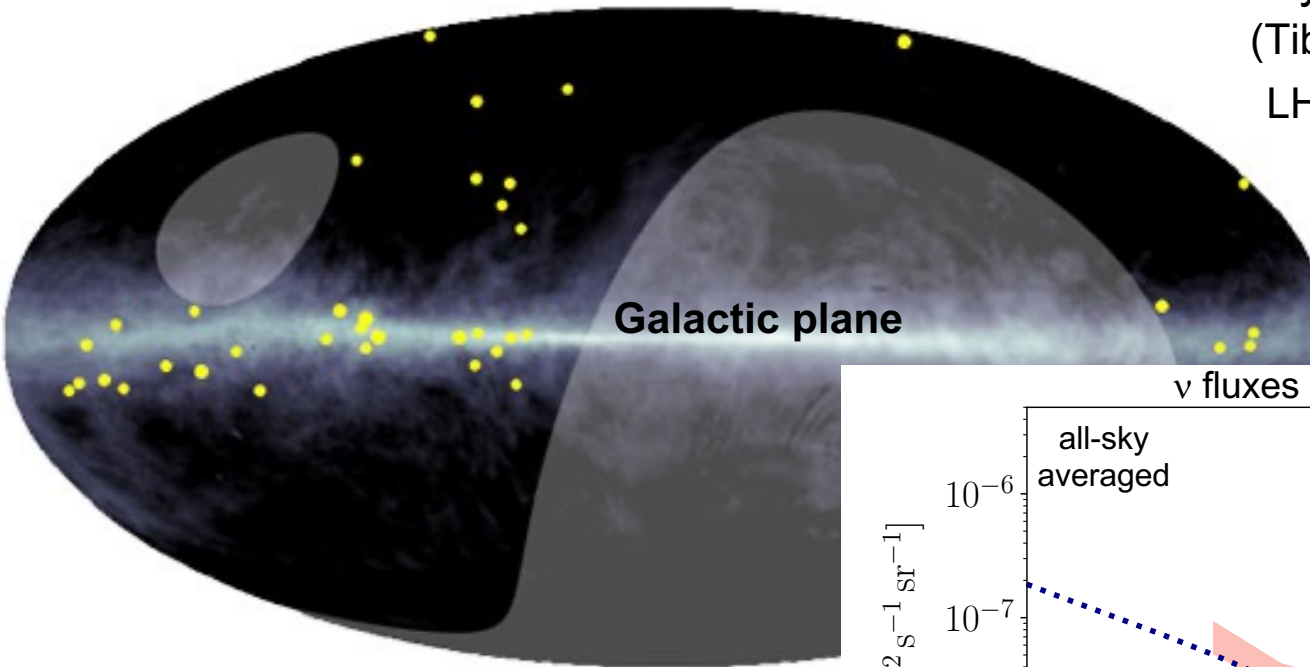
Discovery of sub-PeV γ rays in 2021
(Tibet AS γ Collaboration 21 PRL
LHAASO Collaboration 23 PRL)



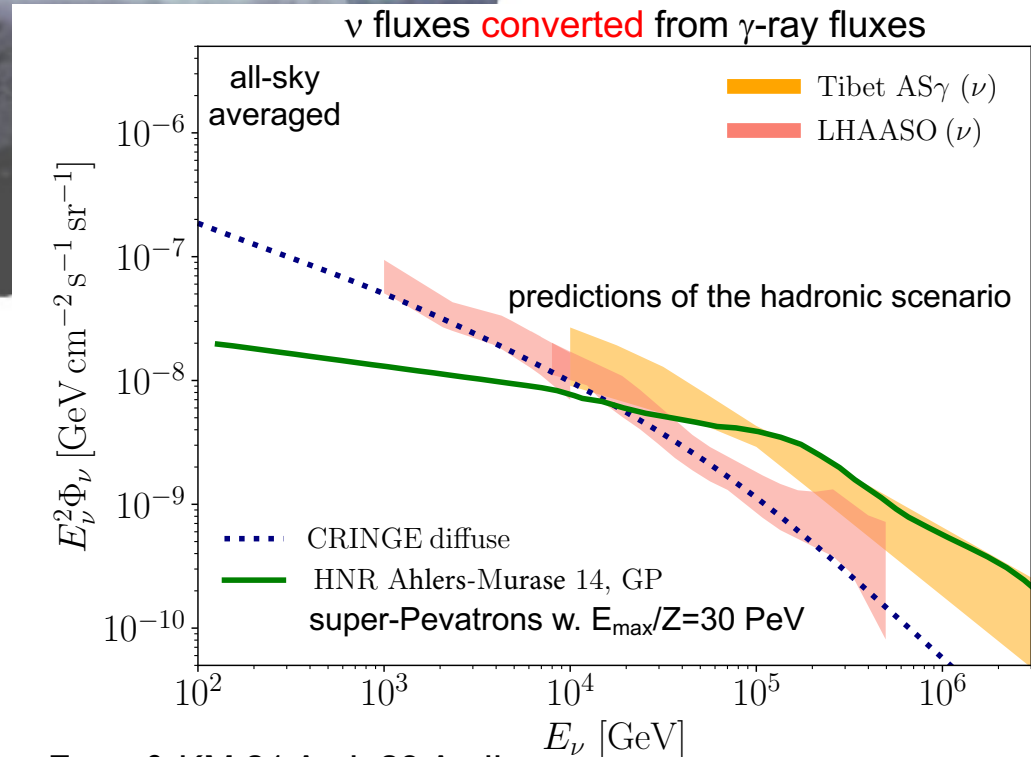
Fang & KM 21 ApJ, 23 ApJL

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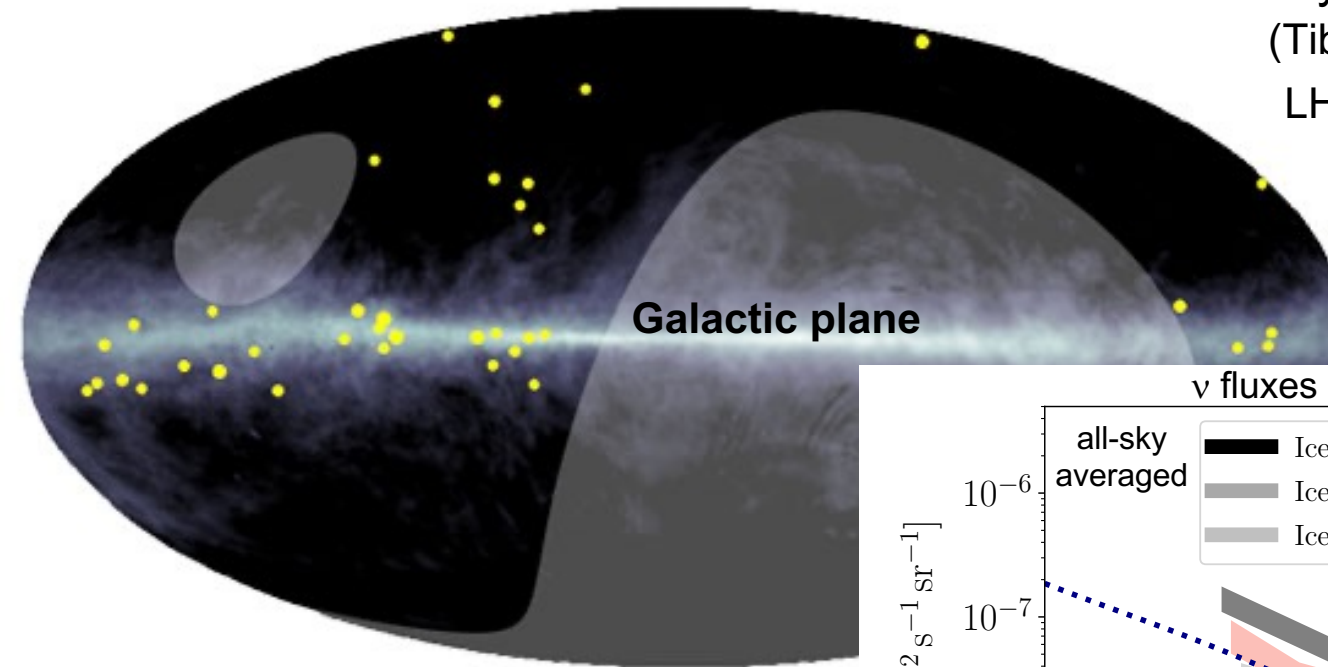
$$E_\nu^2 F_\nu^\Omega \approx \frac{3}{2} (E_\gamma^2 F_\gamma^\Omega)|_{E_\gamma=2E_\nu} \\ \times \frac{\int ds \int \cos b db \int dl n_s(s, b, l)}{\int ds \int \cos b db \int dl n_s P_{\gamma, \text{surv}}(E_\gamma = 2E_\nu, s, b, l)}$$



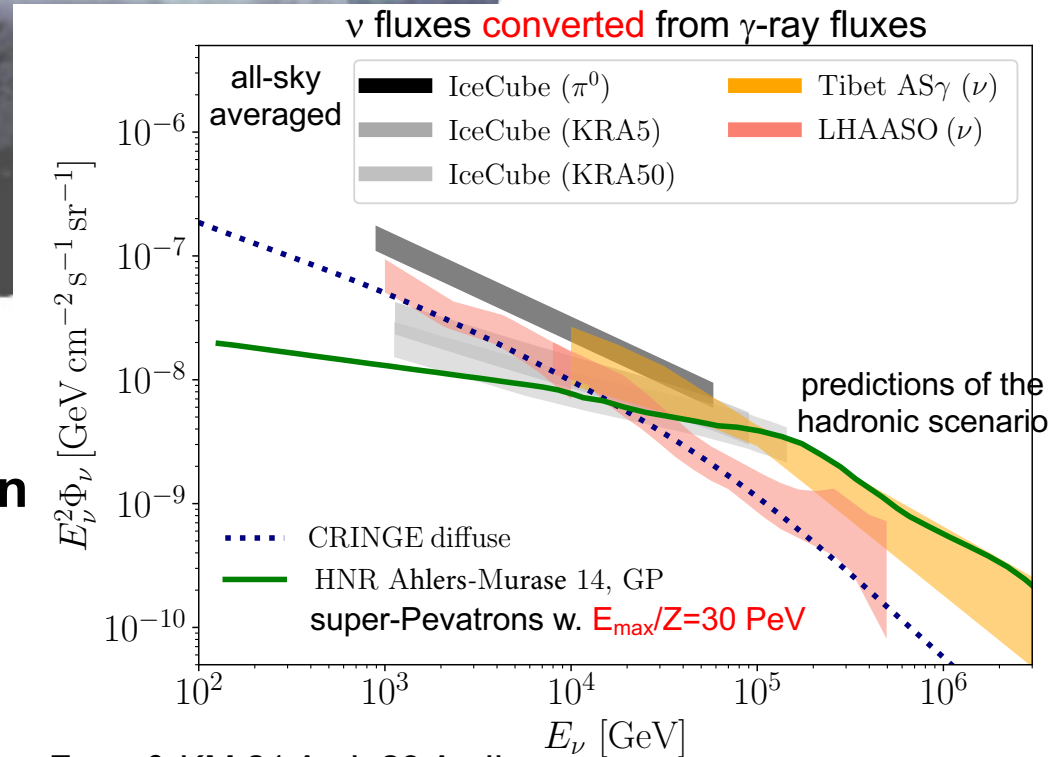
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Galactic Multimessenger Connection: Current

Discovery of sub-PeV γ rays in 2021
(Tibet AS γ Collaboration 21 PRL
LHAASO Collaboration 23 PRL)

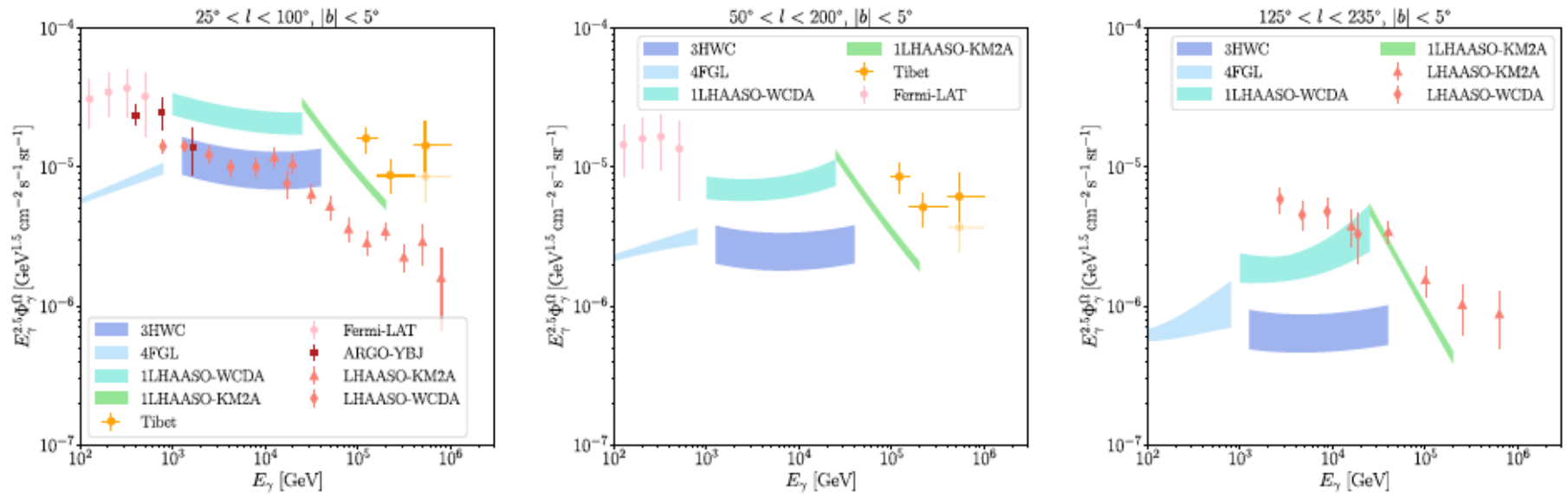


- Supporting hadronic (pp) origin
- Truly diffuse vs unresolved?
(extended)

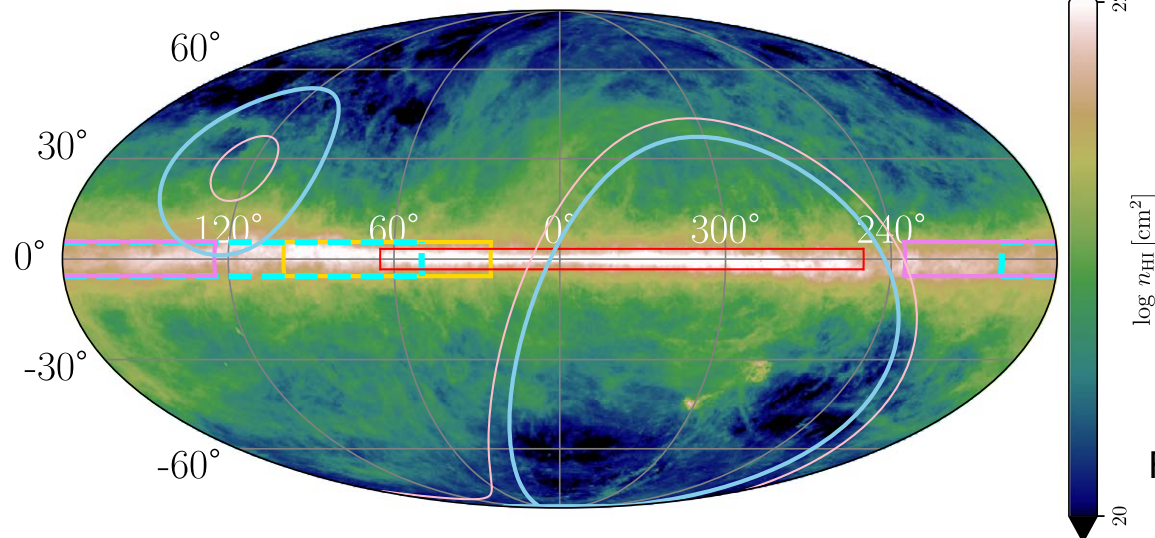


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Importance of Improved Measurements

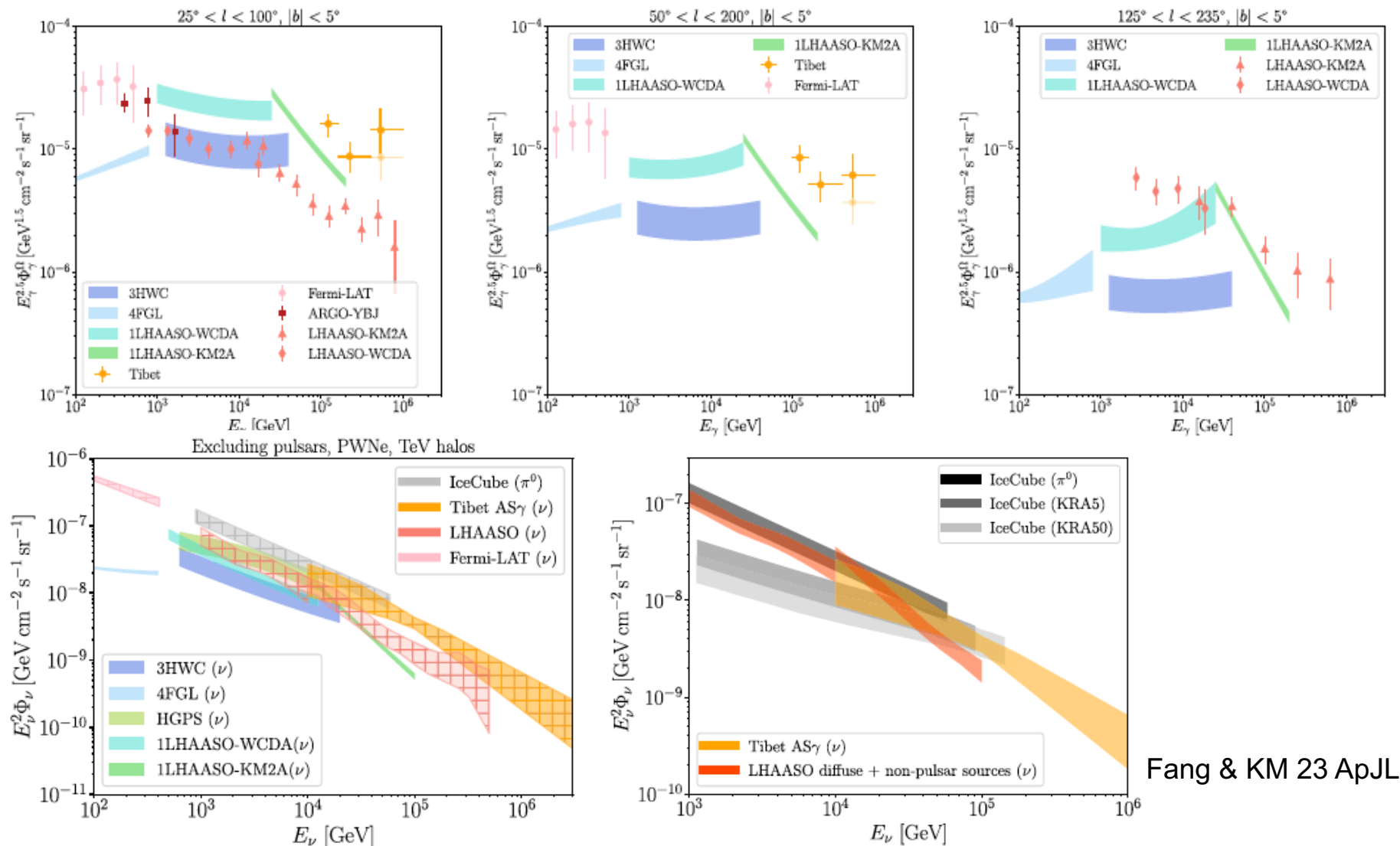


- Tibet region A
- Tibet region B
- LHAASO Outer Galaxy
- HGPS
- 3HWC
- 1LHAASO



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Importance of Improved Measurements

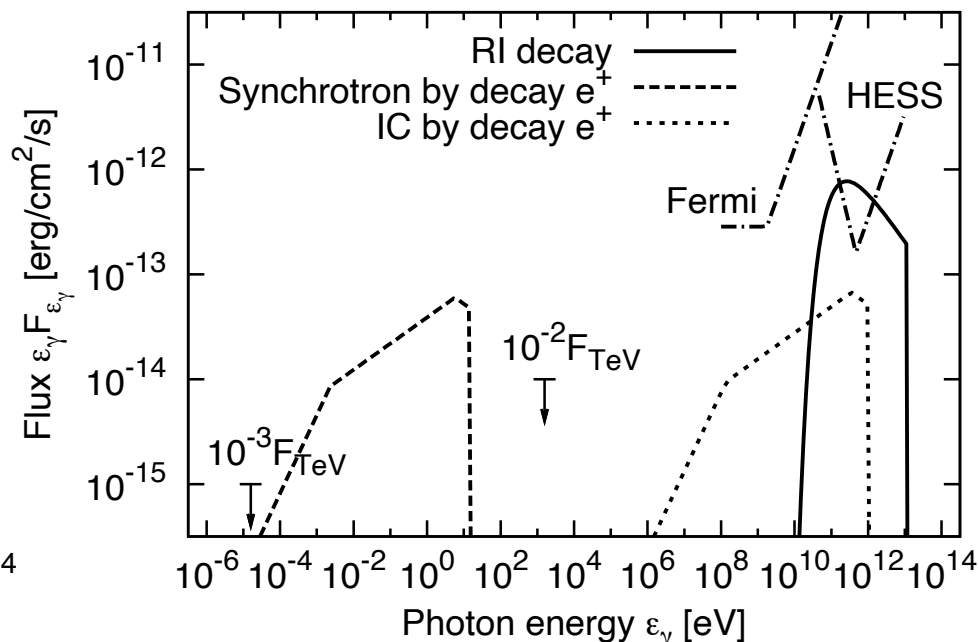
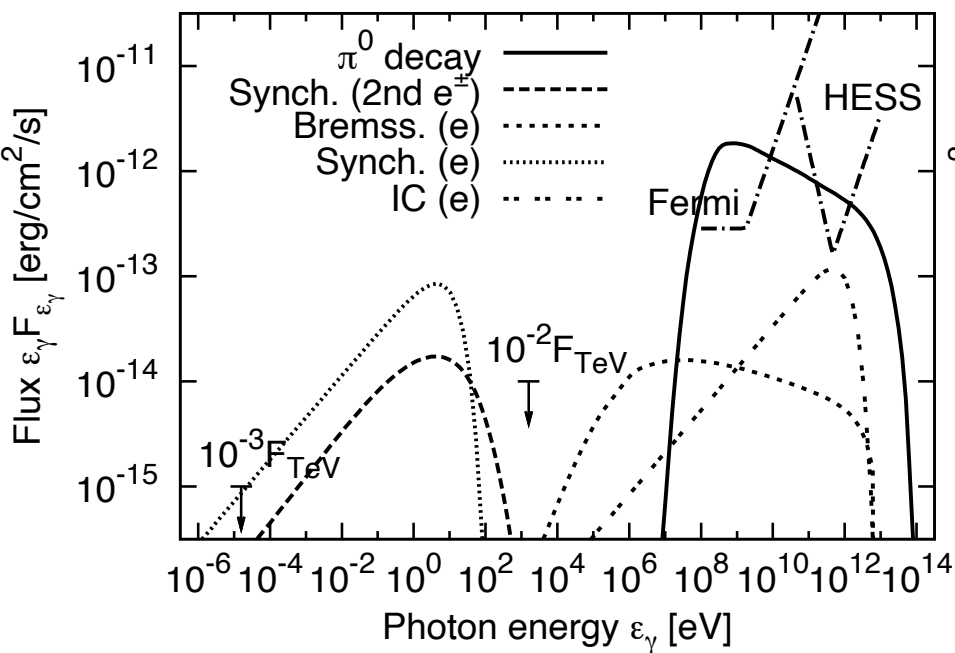


Fang & KM 23 ApJL

Sources may significantly contribute to the Tibet data in the inner region (see also Kato+ 24 ApJL).
Unresolved sources at >100 TeV? “Resolved” sources could also contribute to the IceCube data.

Hypernova Remnants as Unidentified Sources

Ioka & Meszaros 10 ApJ



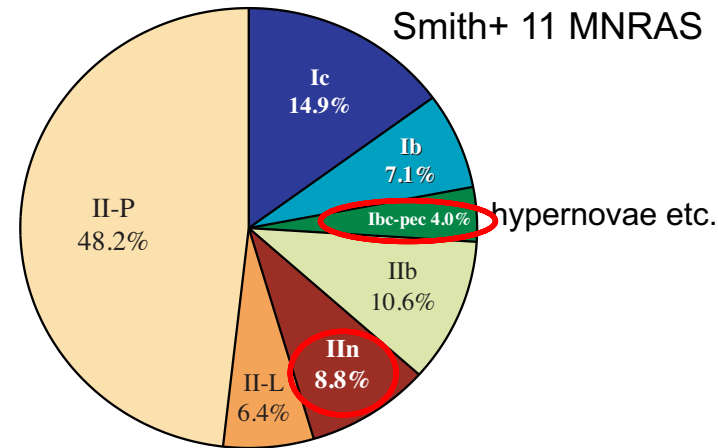
- pp interactions from cosmic-ray ions (w. molecular clouds?)
IC by beta-decay of cosmic-ray ion produced in the past
- Abundance: $N_{\text{HNR}} \sim 30$ vs $N_{\text{SNR}} \sim 1000$
- Source extension: ~ 1 deg (3 kpc/d)

Hypernovae/Interacting SNe as (Super-)Pevatrons

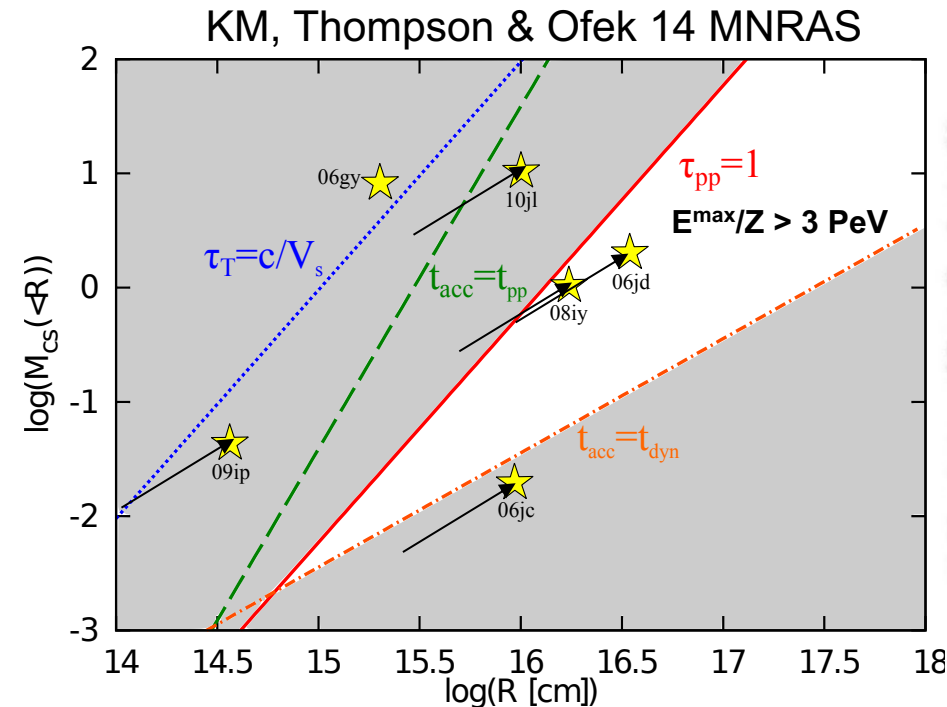
$$E_{\max} \sim 200 \text{ TeV } Z \left(\frac{\tilde{\epsilon}_p}{0.03} \right) \left(\frac{n}{1 \text{ cm}^{-3}} \right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{V_s}{10^4 \text{ km s}^{-1}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{R}{1 \text{ pc}} \right)$$

(ex. Bell 04, Zirakashvili & Ptuskin 08, Shure & Bell 13)

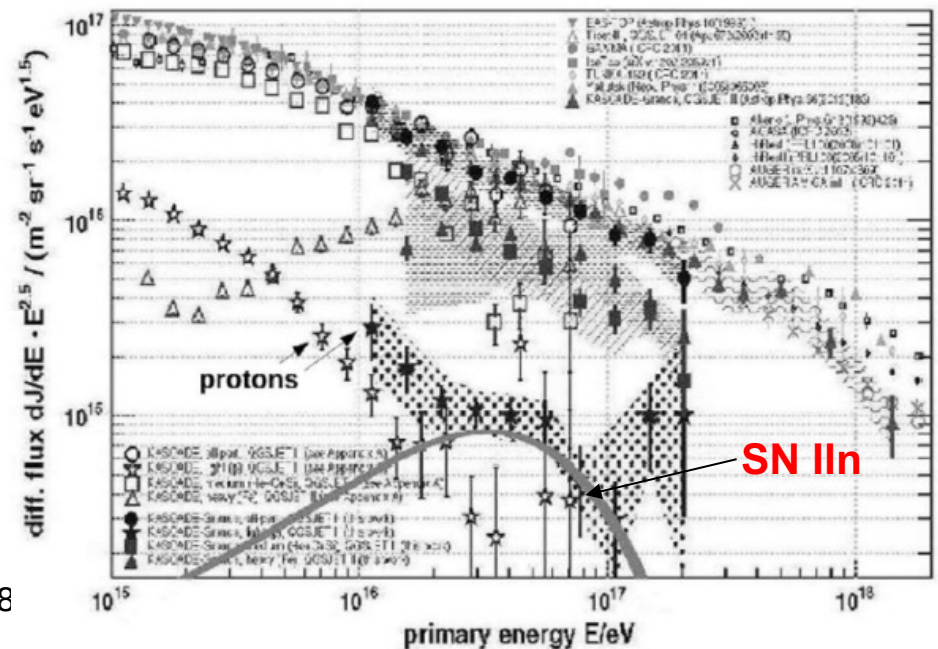
- Typical SNRs would not be PeVatrons (ex. Cas A)...
- Maximum energies will be higher than typical SNRs for explosions w. faster velocities and/or denser CSM
- $E_{\max} \sim 2 Z \text{ PeV}$ or higher for hypernovae



Core-Collapse SN Fractions

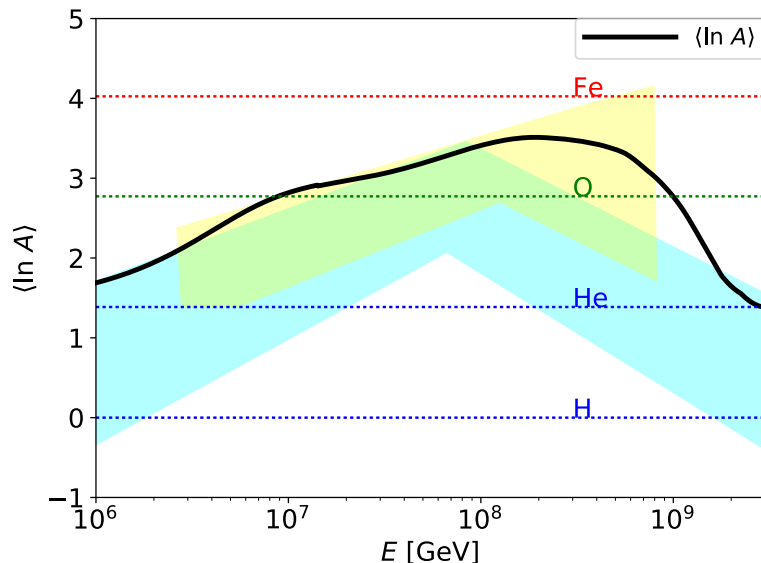
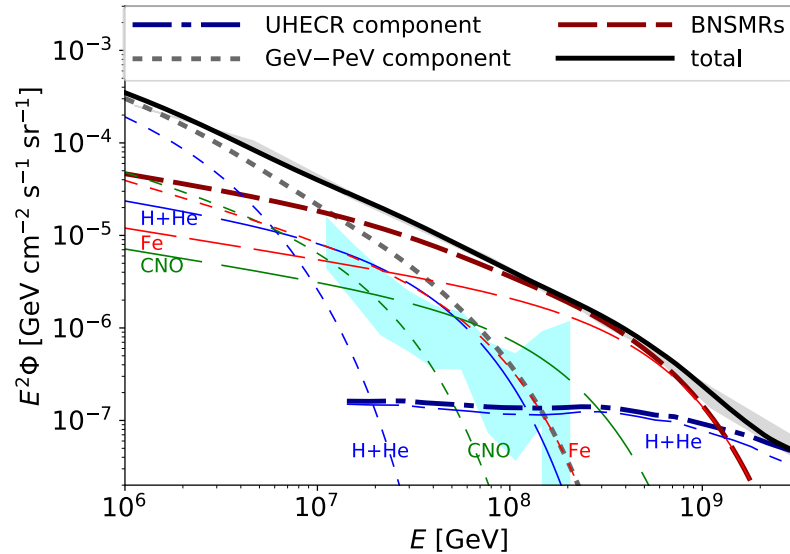


Zirakashvili & Ptuskin 16 APJ (see also Sveshnikova 03 A&A)

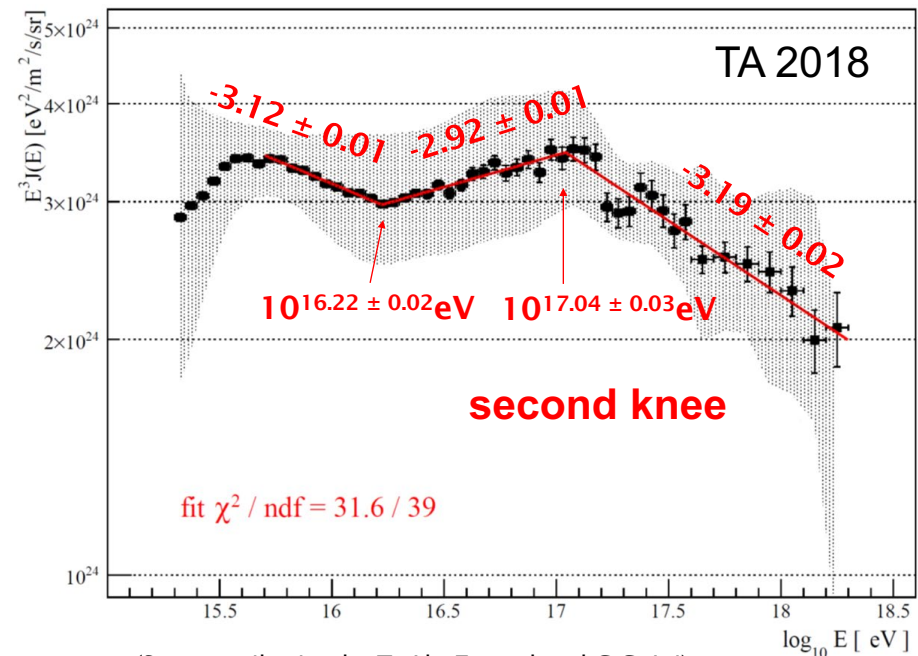


Neutron Merger Remnants as (Super-)Pevatrons

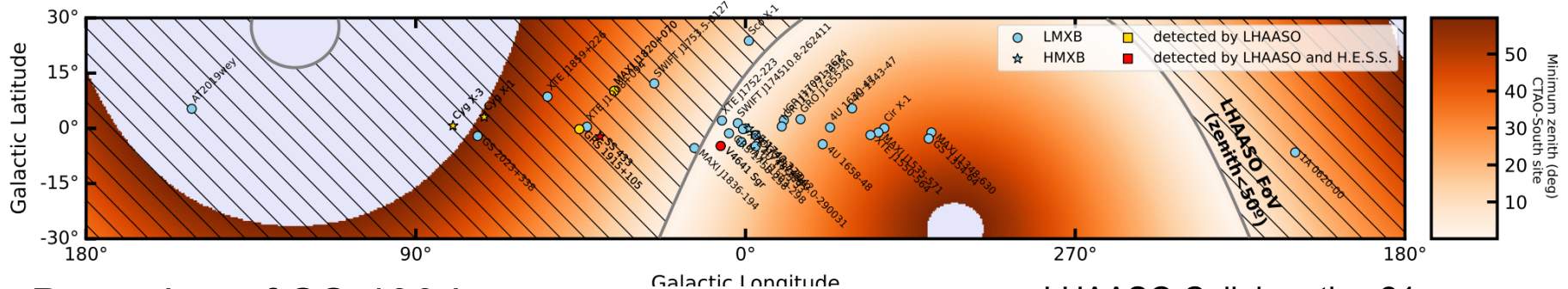
Kimura, KM & Meszaros 18 ApJ



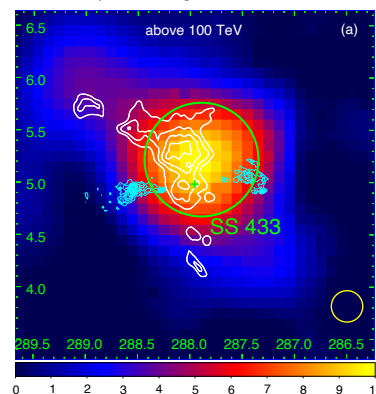
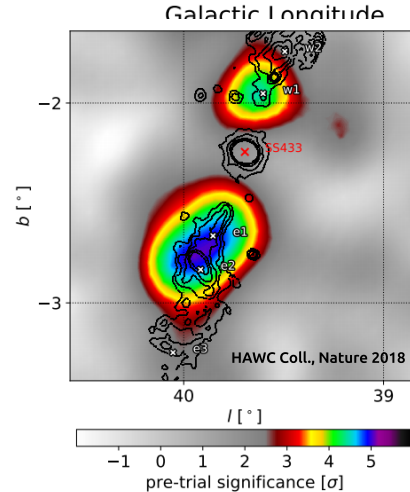
- Merger ejecta
 $M_{\text{ej}} \sim 0.03\text{--}0.05 M_{\text{sun}}$ w. $V \sim 0.2\text{--}0.3c$
- Apply the same scaling from SNRs
 $\rightarrow E_{\text{NS}}^{\text{max}}/Z \sim 3\text{--}30 \text{ PeV}$
 (for $E_{\text{SNR}}^{\text{max}}/Z \sim 0.3\text{--}3 \text{ PeV}$)
- With a merger rate of $\sim 10^{-4} \text{ yr}^{-1} \text{ gal}^{-1}$
 they should contribute to Galactic CRs
 (see Takami+ 13, Rodrigues+ 18 for an extragalactic model)



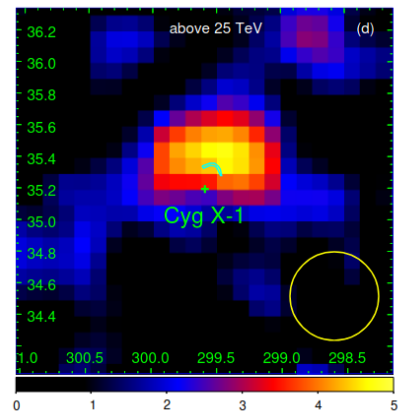
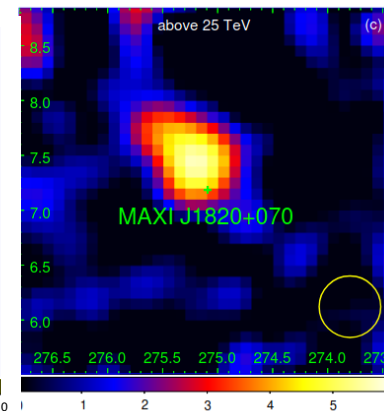
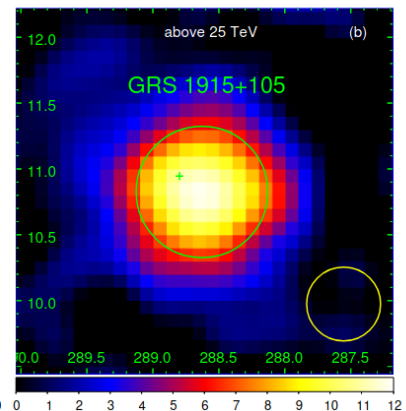
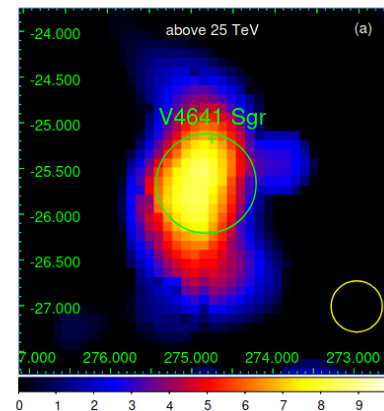
Microquasars as VHE Gamma-Ray Sources



- Detection of SS 433 by HAWC in 2018
- HAWC:
SS 433 & V4641 Sgr
- LHAASO:
SS 433, V4641 Sgr, G1915+105, Cyg X-1, MAXI J1820+070
- Detected out to 800 TeV
- Persistent
- Extended
SS 433, V4641 Sgr, G1915+105

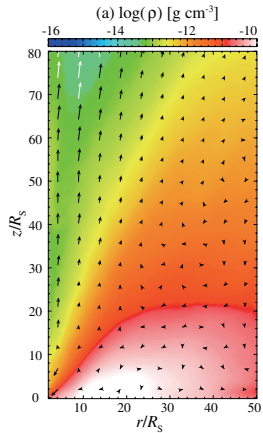


LHAASO Collaboration 24

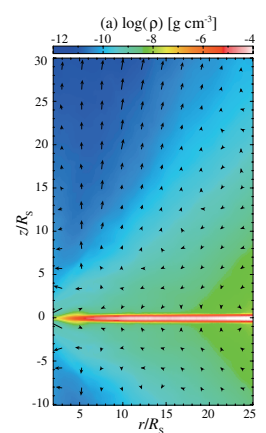


Microquasars as Super-Pevatrons

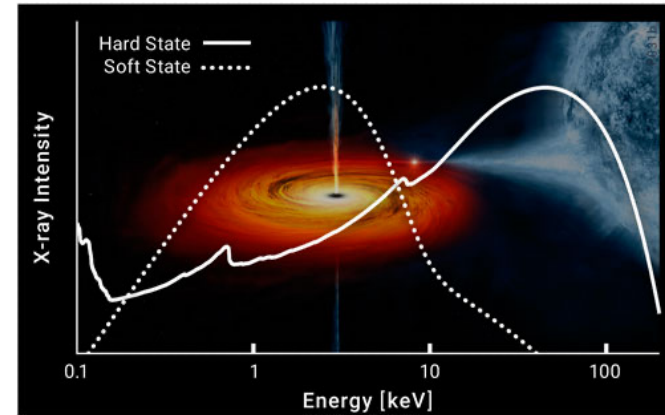
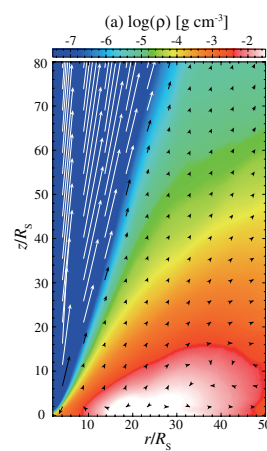
Hot Accretion Flow (RIAF)



Standard accretion disk



Slim disk + Jets

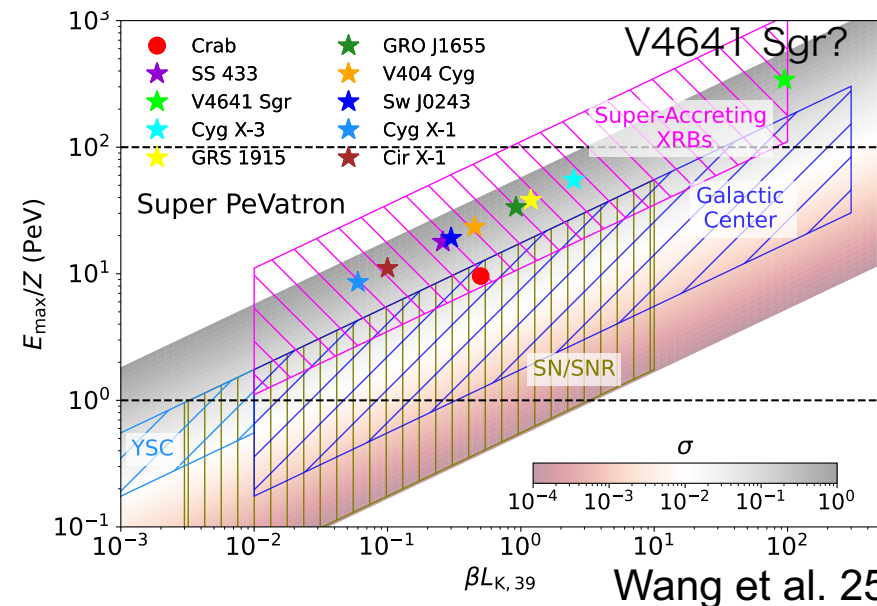


$$L \sim 0.01 L_{\text{Edd}}$$

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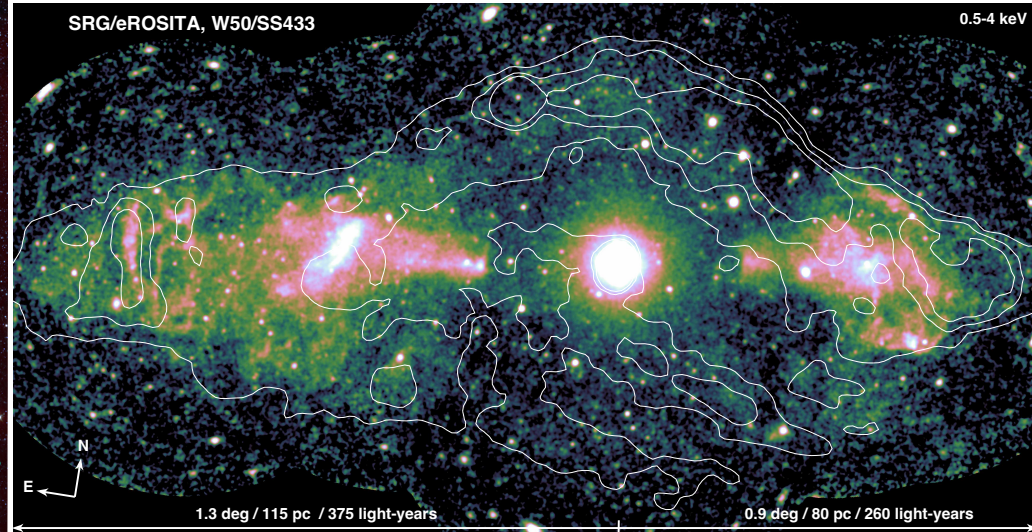
$$L = \eta \dot{M} c^2$$

- Jetted X-ray binaries
- Some of them are super-Eddington
→ powerful jets & outflows
- Hillas condition allows super-Pevatrons
- CR luminosity required for the knee
 $L_{\text{CR}} \sim 10^{38} \text{ erg/s} \sim (0.001-1) L_{\text{Edd}}$
for a few to ~ 10 sources

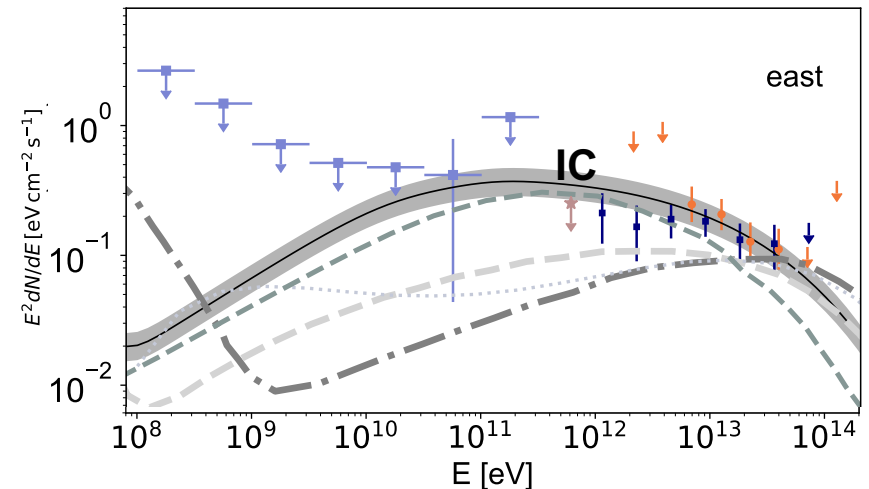


SS 433

Sunyaev et al. 25



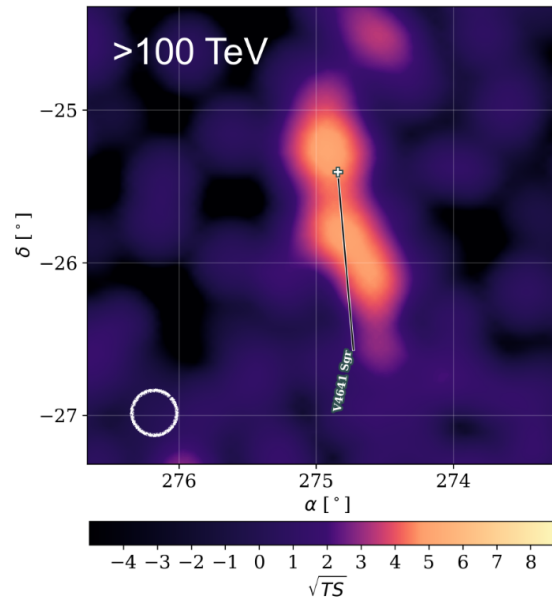
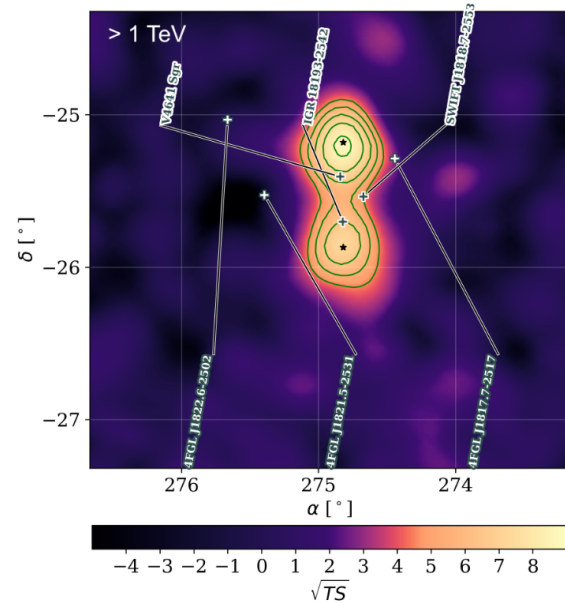
HAWC Collaboration 24



- γ -ray morphology \sim X-ray morphology
→ leptonic origin
- Shock acceleration of electrons
- Coincident w. gas distribution
above 100 TeV (hadronic?)

H.E.S.S. Coll. Science 2024

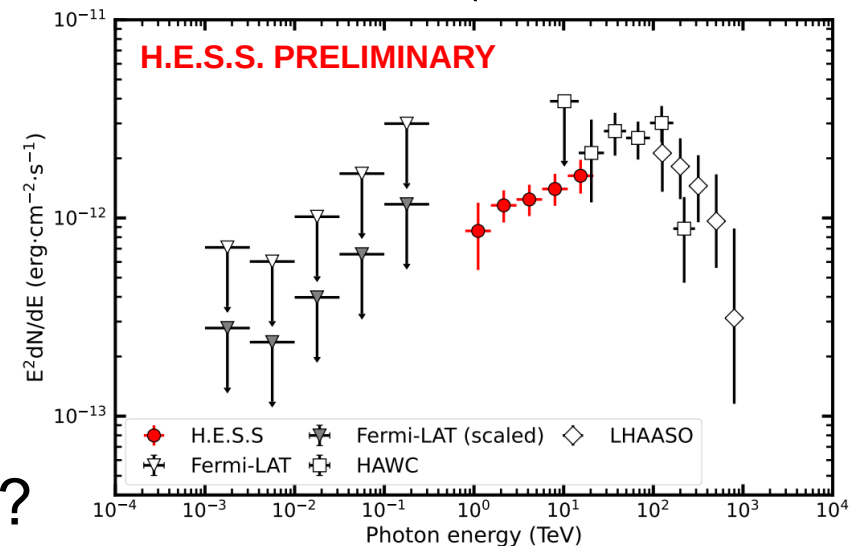
V4641 Sgr



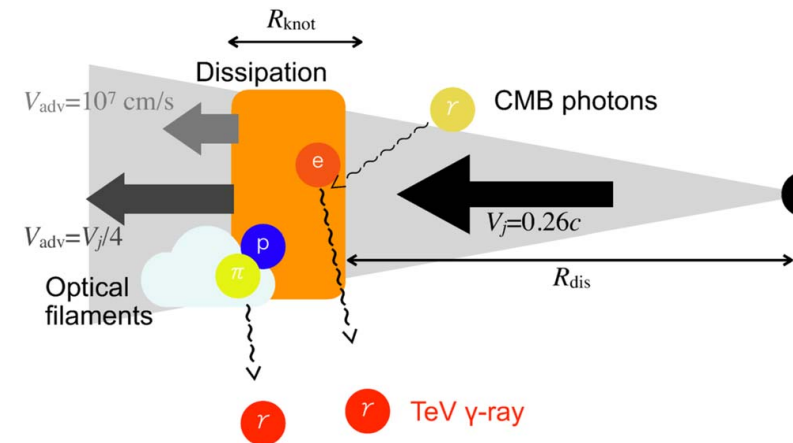
HAWC Collaboration 24 Nature

from Oliviera-Nieto @ CDHY
H.E.S.S. Coll, submitted

- Hard spectrum peaking at ~ 100 TeV
- Brightest microquasar
- Elongated w. ~ 100 pc
- Target gas not seen
- Hadronic w. hard indices?
- Leptonic w. weak magnetic fields?



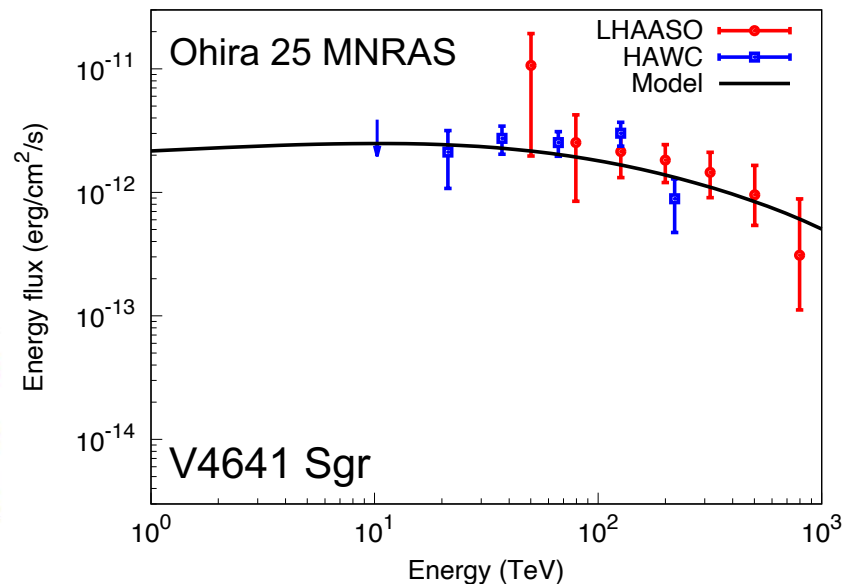
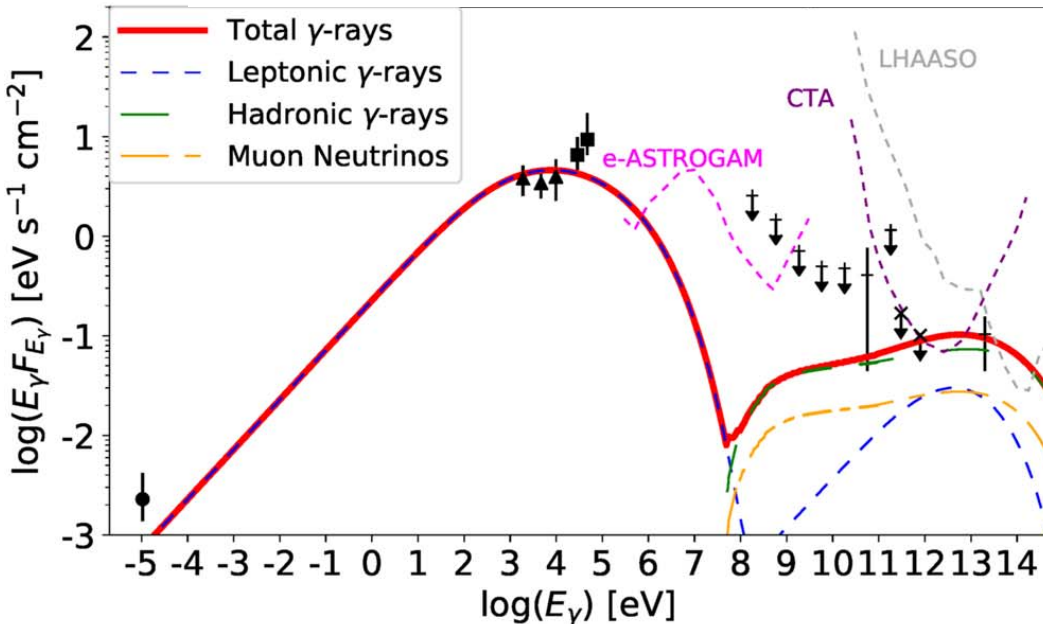
Hadronic Gamma-Ray Signatures?



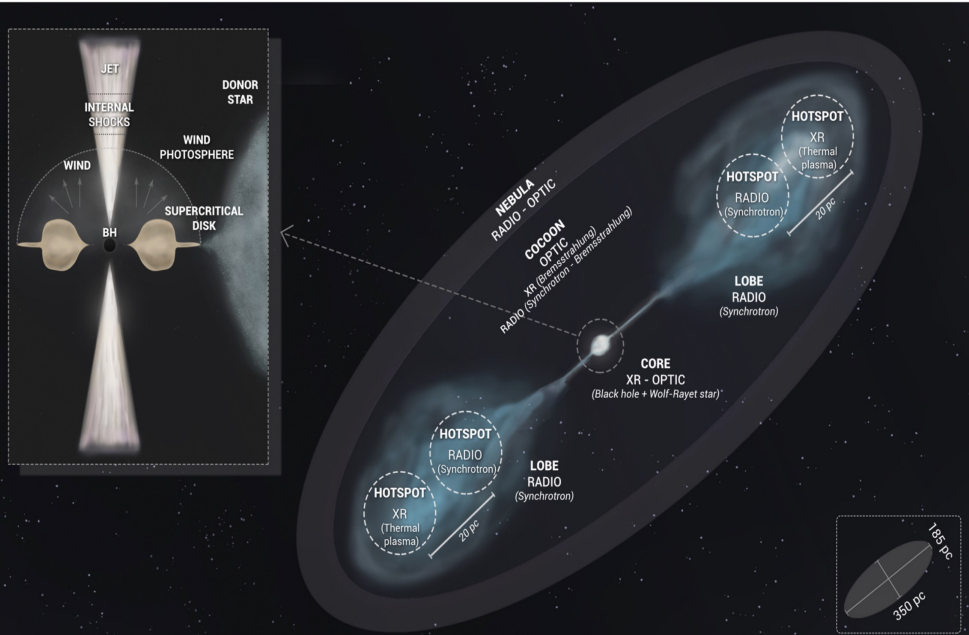
- SS 433: likely more leptonic at 1-10 TeV (HAWC Collaboration 18, HESS Collaboration 24)
- Hadronic contribution is still possible especially at higher energies
- ν detection: more than 2 decades even w. IceCube-Gen2 (SS 433)

Kimura, KM & Meszaros 20 ApJ

leptohadronic scenario for SS 433



Common Acceleration Mechanisms between Microquasars and AGNs?



Need for efficient acceleration: example of SS 433 (Kimura, KM & Meszaros 20 ApJ)

$$\gamma_e^X < \gamma_e^{\max} \rightarrow \xi < \sim 30-100$$

$$E_{\max}/Z > 3 \text{ PeV} \rightarrow \xi < \sim 10 \text{ (for } B \sim 30 \mu\text{G)}$$

$$t_{\text{acc}} \approx \frac{20\xi E_i}{3ceB\beta_j^2}$$

AGN: blazars & hot spots: $\xi > \sim 10^4$ (ex. Inoue & Takahara 96, Araudo et al. 16, Zhang et al. 18)

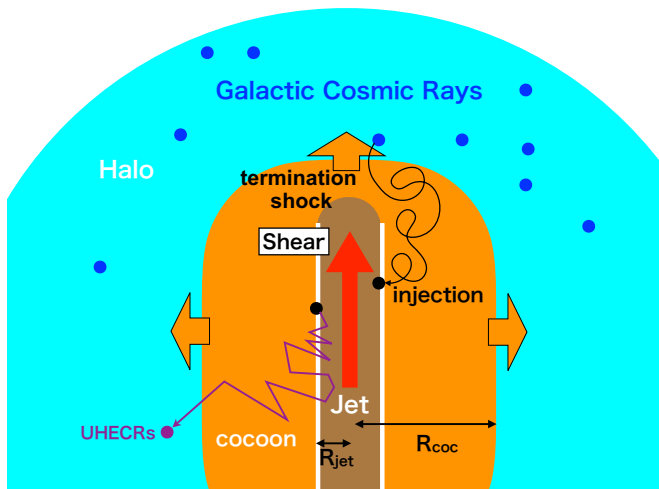
→ internal shocks/termination shock: may not be promising for UHECRs

Alternative acceleration mechanisms?

Particle Acceleration by Large-Scale Jets

(Discrete) one-shot/shear acceleration at the jet-cocoon boundary

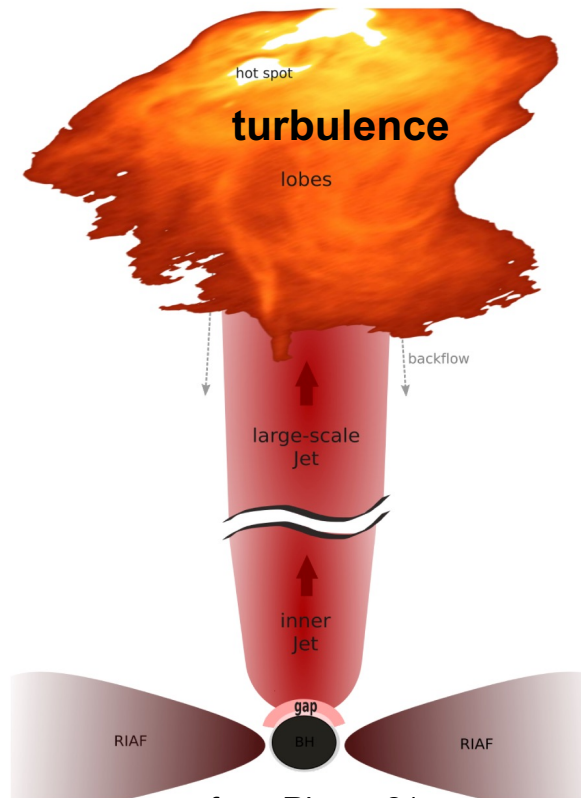
(Caprioli 15, Kimura, KM & Zhang 18)



from Kimura, KM & Zhang 18

Turbulent shear acceleration in backflows

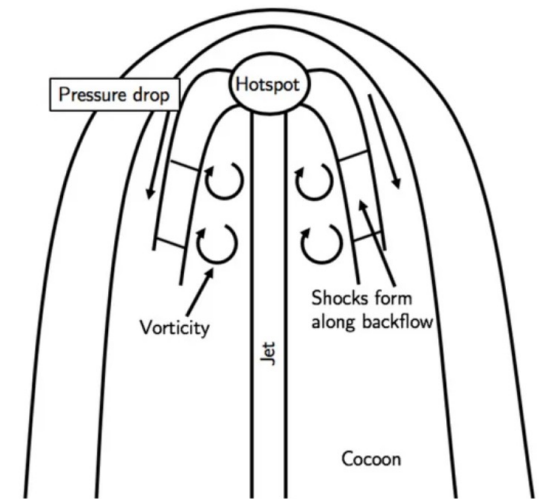
(Hardcastle 10, Ohira 13)



from Rieger 21

DSA acceleration in backflows in cocoons

(Matthews+ 18, 19)



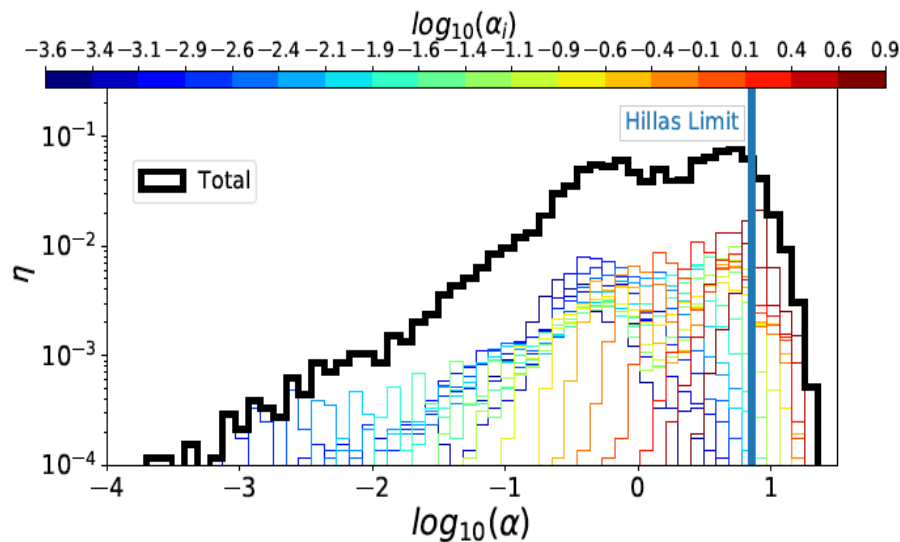
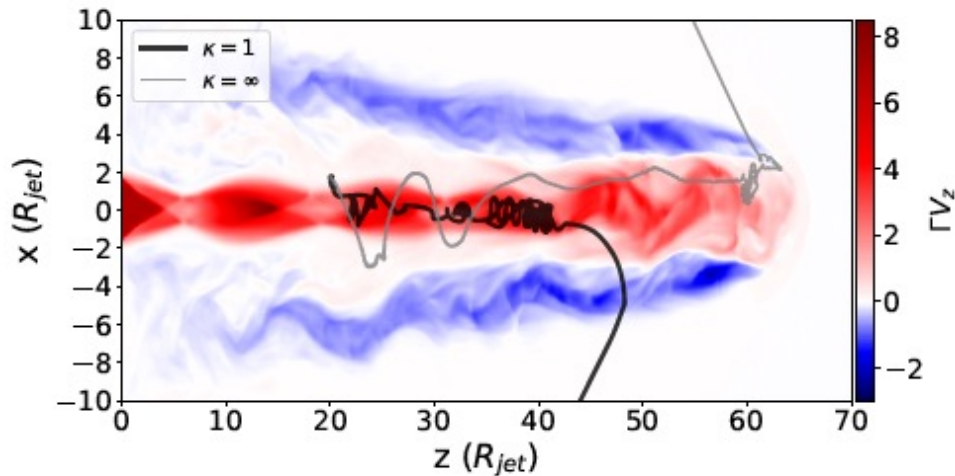
from Matthews+ 19

“Reacceleration” of galactic CRs by AGN jets

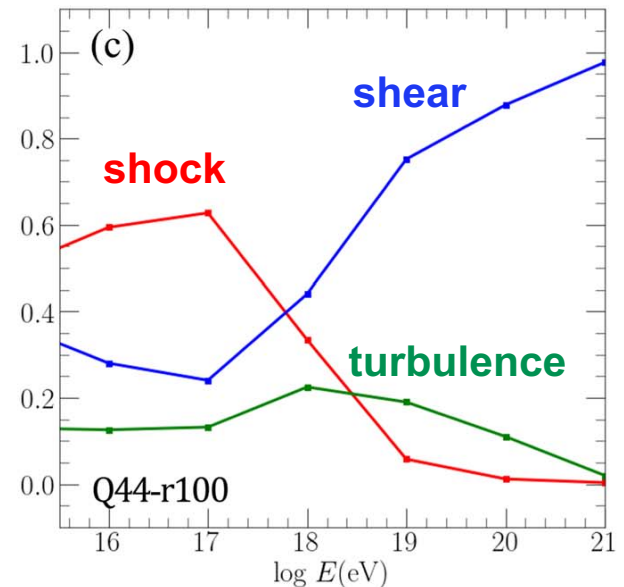
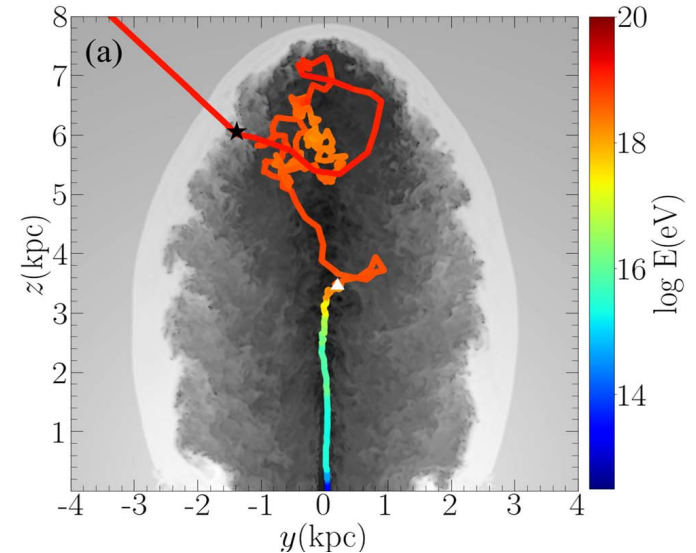
Test Particle Simulations of Particle Acceleration

MHD simulations

(Mbarek & Caprioli 21 ApJ
see also Mbarek, Caprioli & KM 23 ApJ, 25 PRD)

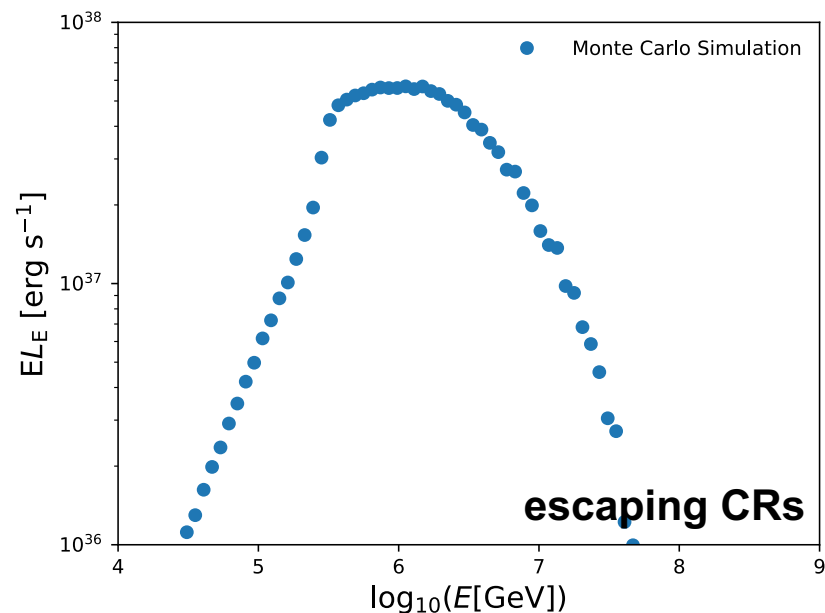


HD simulations (Seo, Ryu & Kang 24 ApJ)



Shear Acceleration Model for Microquasars

Zhang, Kimura & KM 2506.20193

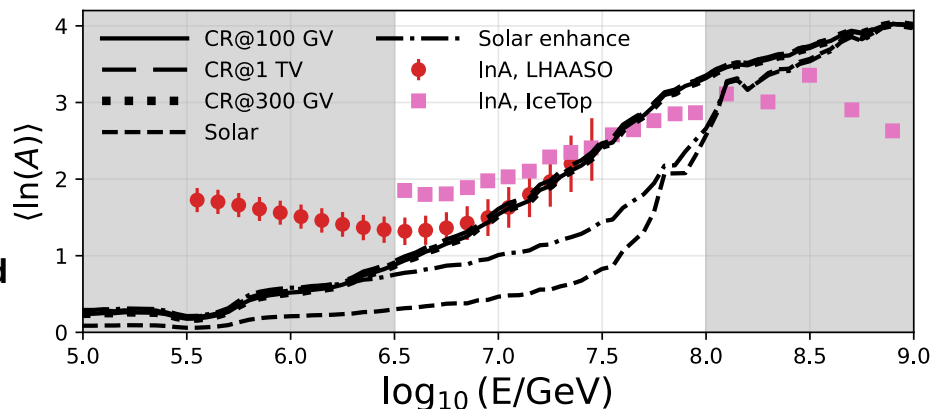
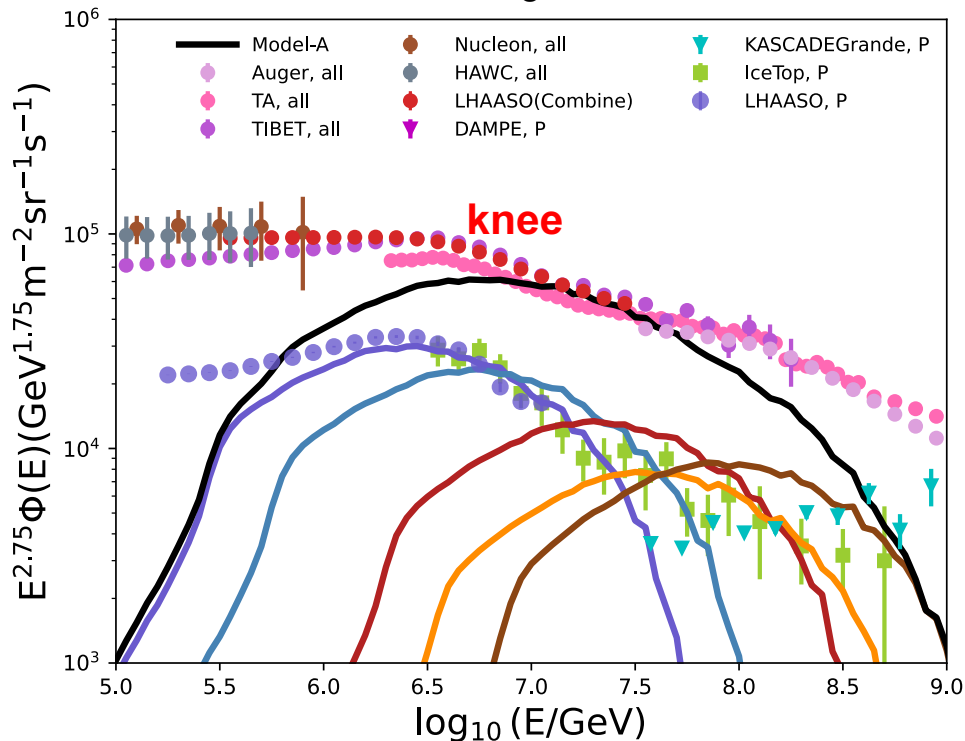


- Injection: Galactic CRs at \sim TeV
- $B_{\text{coc}} \sim 10\text{-}30 \mu\text{G}$ w. $r_{\text{coc}} = 60 \text{ pc}$ (Kolmogorov assumed)
- $B_{\text{jet}} \sim 50\text{-}100 \mu\text{G}$ w. $r_{\text{jet}} = 3\text{-}4 \text{ pc}$

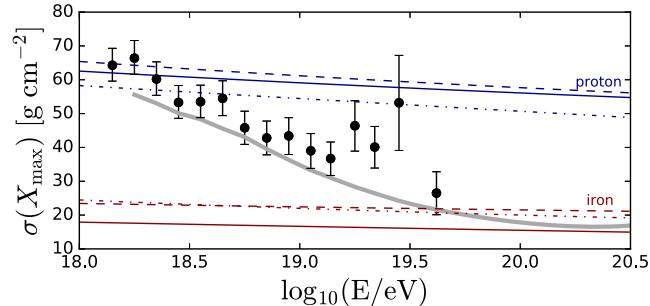
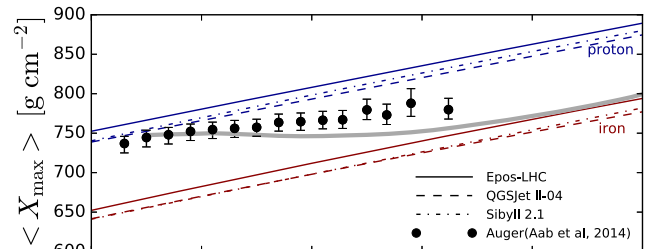
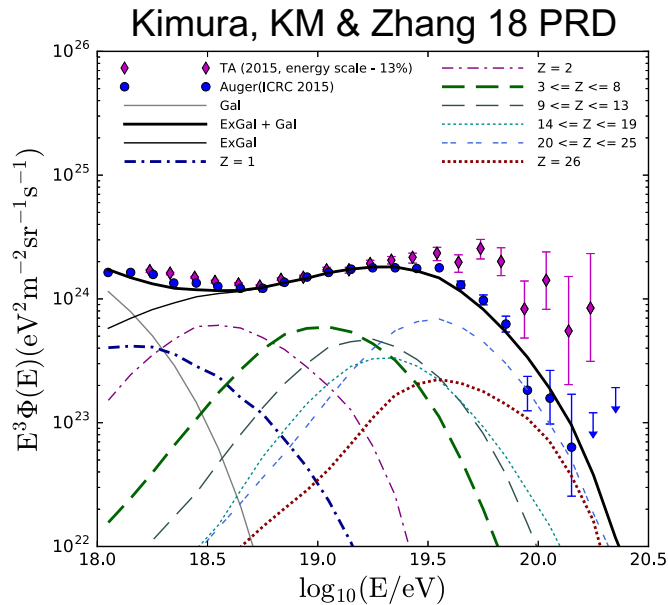
$$E_{\text{max}} = \zeta e B_{\text{coc}} l_{\text{coh}}^{1/2} r_{\text{jet}}^{1/2} \Gamma_{\text{jet}} \beta_{\text{jet}} \sim 4 \text{ PeV}$$

$$L_{\text{CR}} \approx E_{\text{max}} \dot{N}_{\text{CR}} \sim 10^{38} \text{ erg/s} \ll L_{\text{Edd}}$$

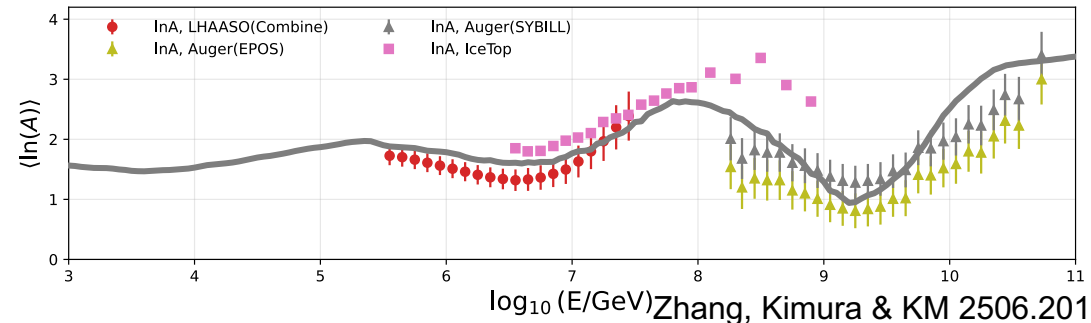
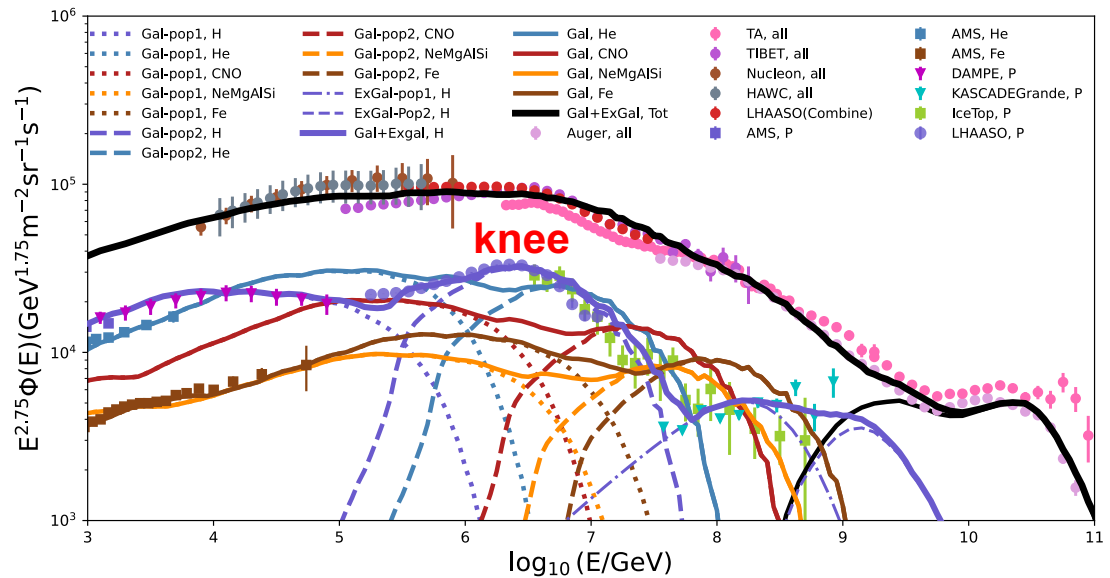
$$Q_{\text{cr,tot}} \sim 1.3 \times 10^{42} \text{ erg kpc}^{-3} \text{ yr}^{-1}$$



Shear Acceleration Model vs Cosmic-Ray Data

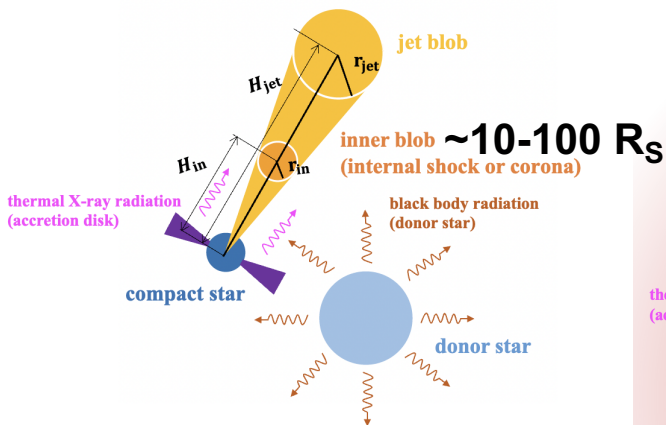


- Simulated spectra (sub-exponential)
- Galactic and extragalactic highest-energy data may be explained by injection to reacceleration at the same rigidity

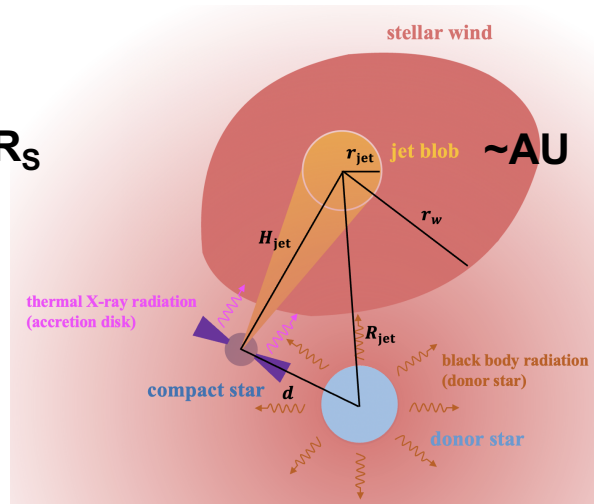


Hadronic Emission from Microquasars?

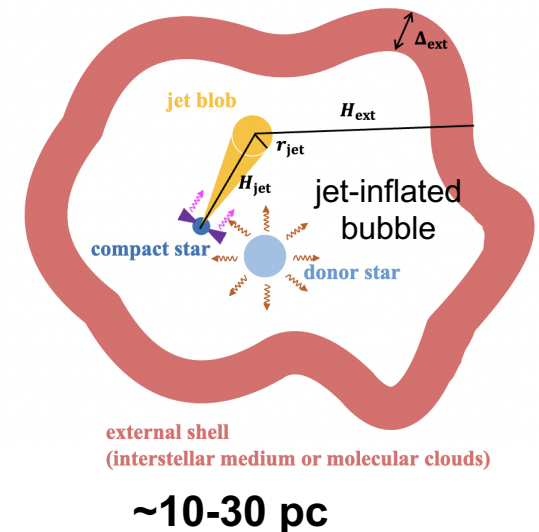
Core



Jet-wind interaction



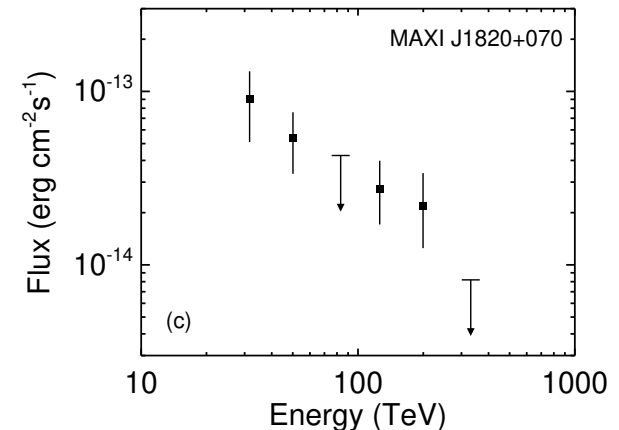
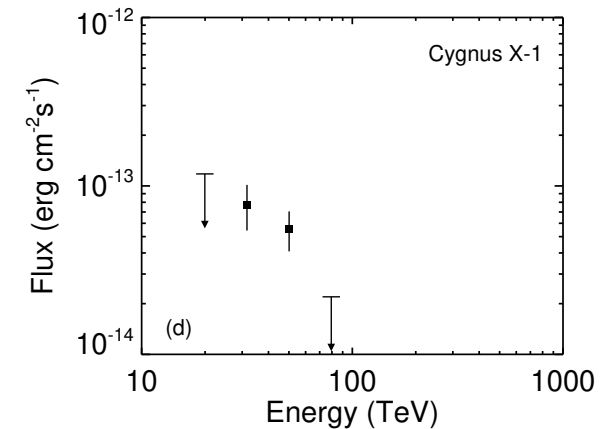
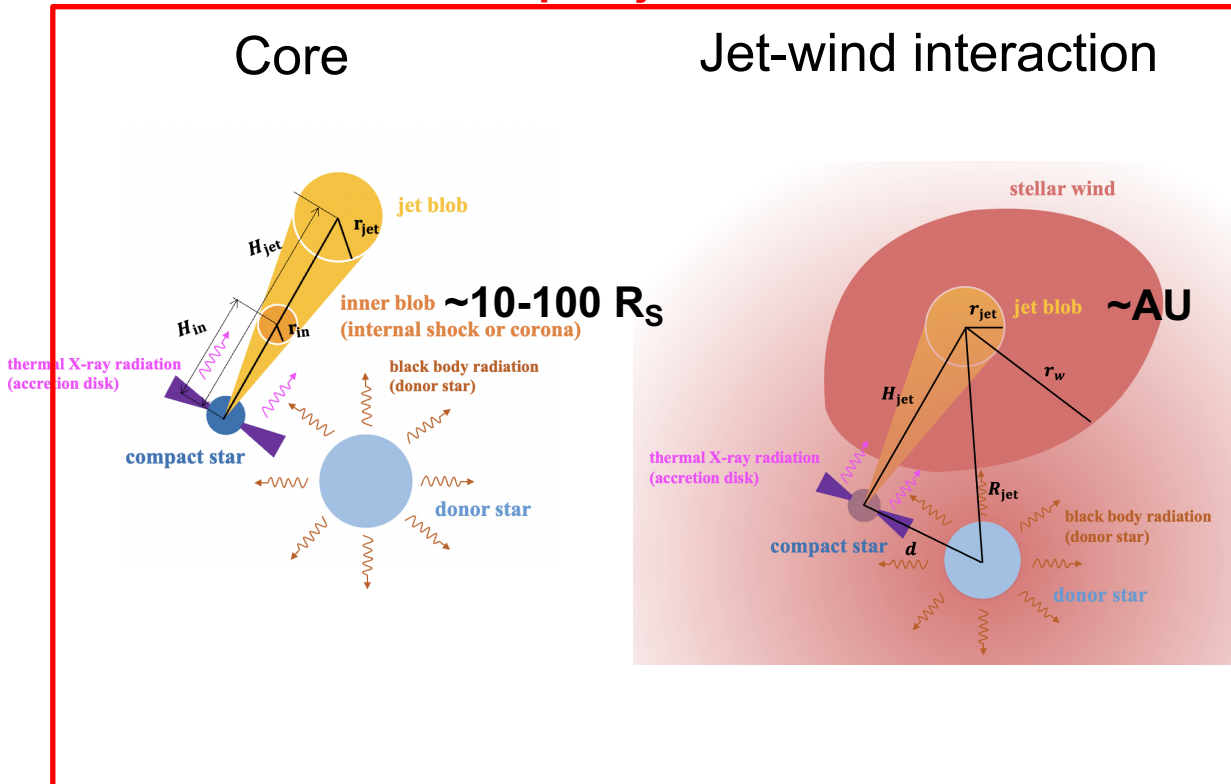
Cosmic-ray escape



- Hadronic emission has been studied especially in the context of inner-jet dissipation. (e.g., Levinson & Waxman 01 PRL, Romero et al. 03 A&A)
- Higher target photon density & higher gas density (from the wind)
- Cyg X-1, MAXI J1820+070, Cyg X-3?: “consistent” w. a point source could be different from extended-jet emission (e.g., SS 433)

Hadronic Emission from Compact Regions?

compact jet models



- Hadronic emission has been studied especially in the context of inner-jet dissipation. (e.g., Levinson & Waxman 01 PRL, Romero et al. 03 A&A)
- Higher target photon density & higher gas density (from the wind)
- Cyg X-1, MAXI J1820+070, Cyg X-3?: “consistent” w. a point source could be different from extended-jet emission (e.g., SS 433)

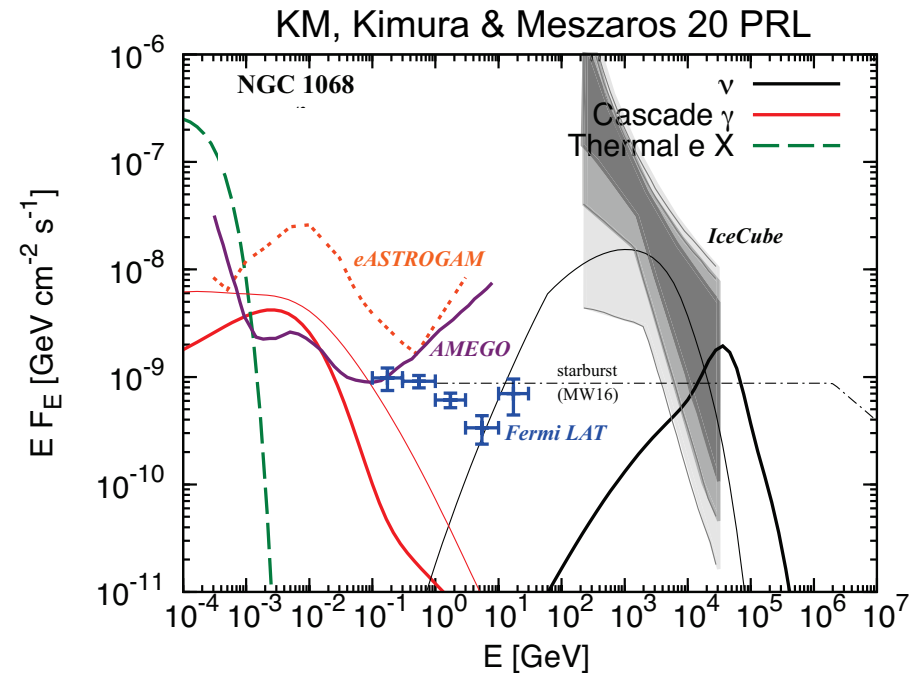
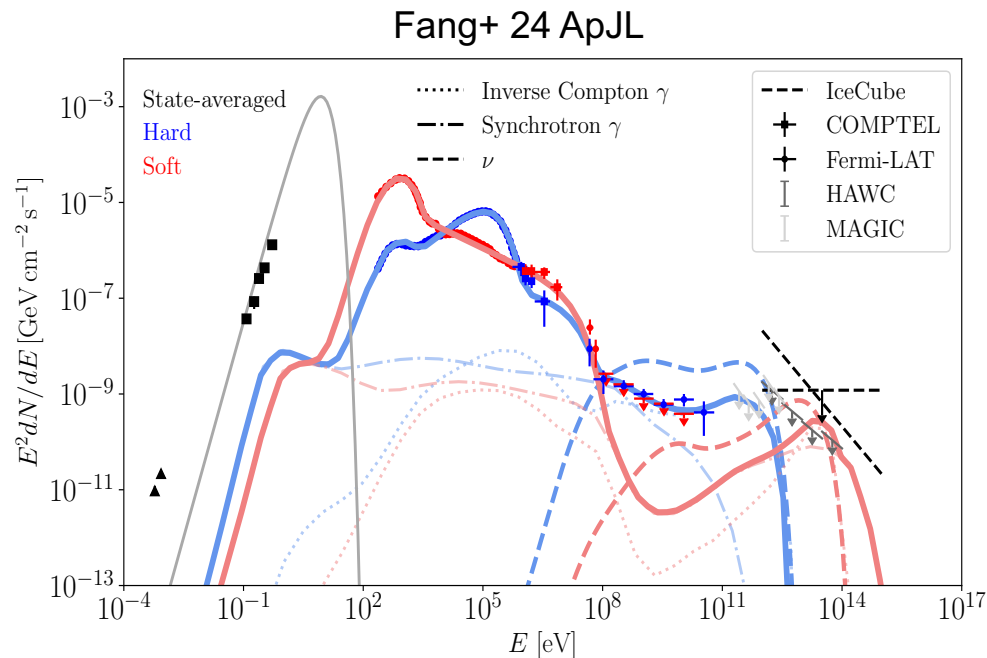
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Such compact emissions are also of interest as well in AGN

1. Compact jets

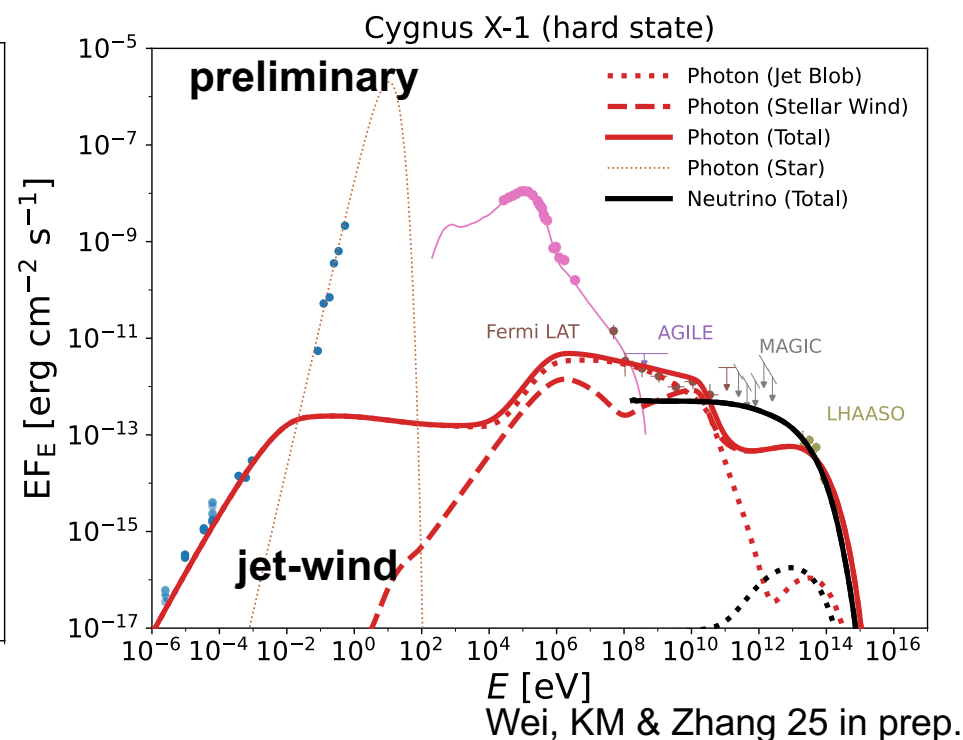
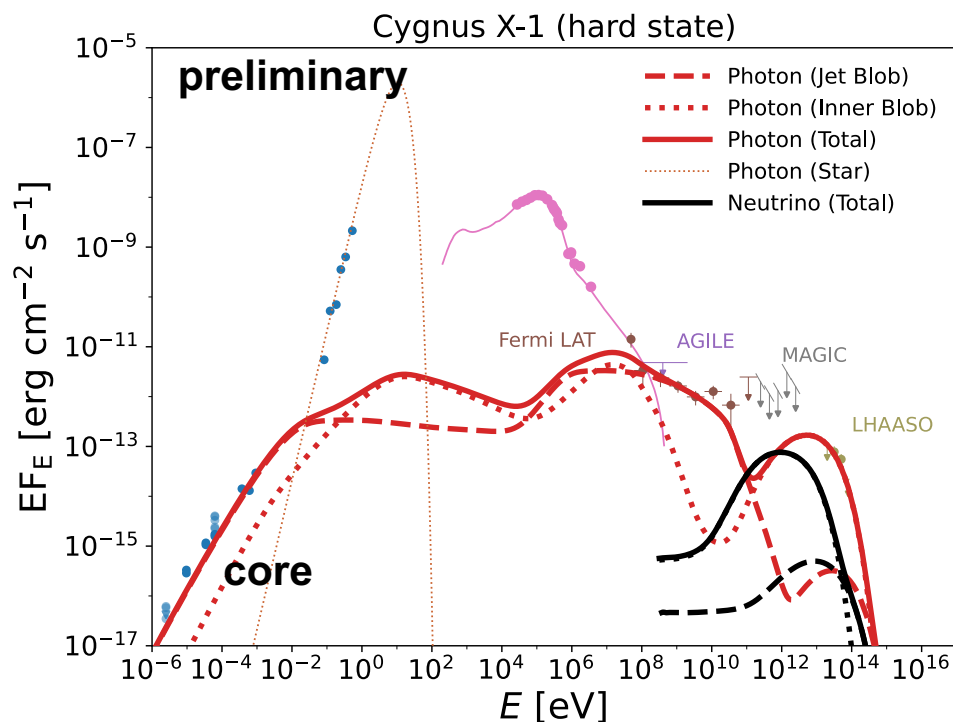
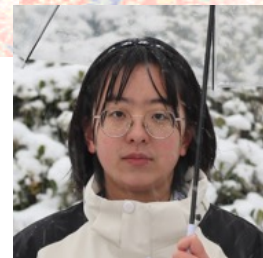
- compact gamma-ray and radio-emitting jets (~ 0.1 -10 AU)
- outflowing corona (consistent w. IXPE)

2. Black-hole “corona”



Applications to Cygnus X-1

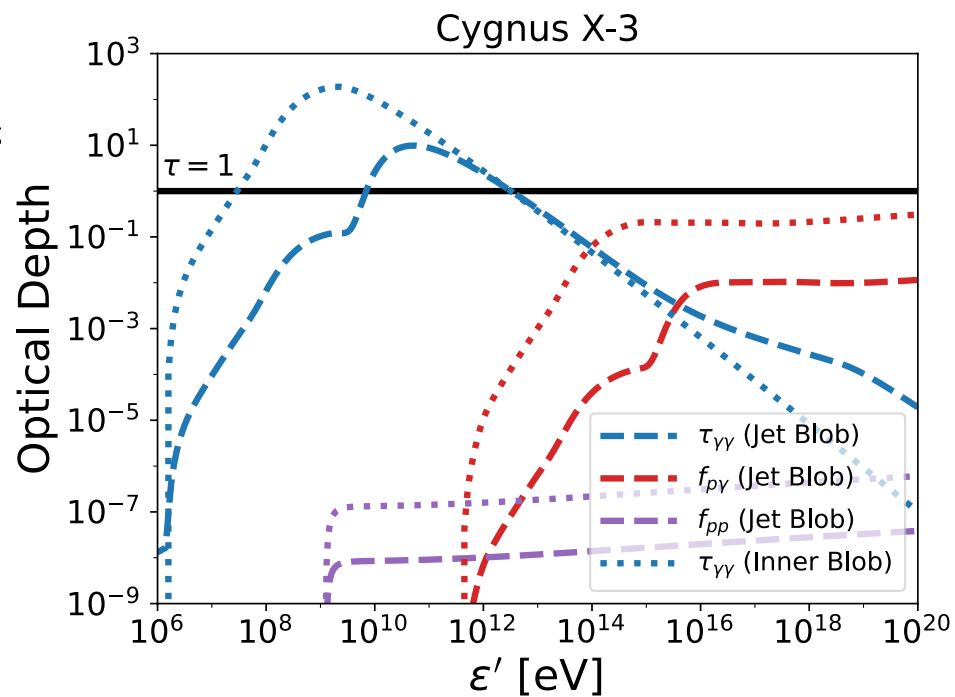
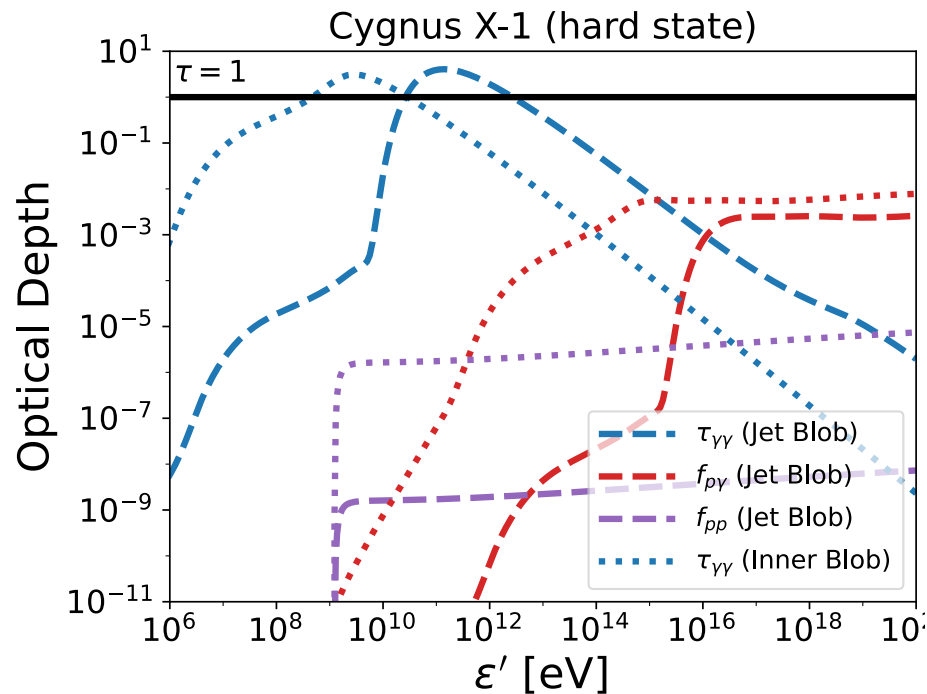
- Sub-Eddington accretion w. $M_{\text{BH}} \sim 21 M_{\text{sun}}$, O-type star
- LHAASO: a point source with significance of 4.4σ above 25 TeV



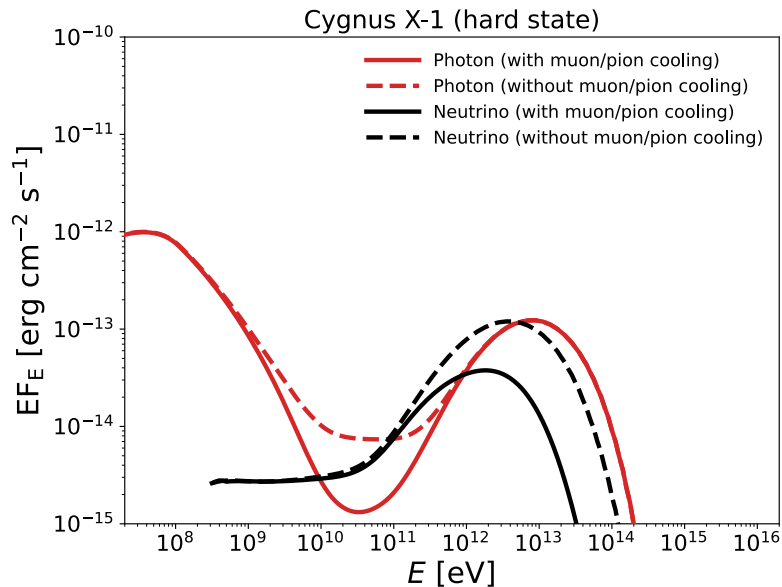
- $L_{\text{Edd}} \sim 3 \times 10^{39} \text{ erg/s}$, $\varepsilon_p \sim 0.03$, $\varepsilon_e \sim 10^{-5}$, $\varepsilon_B \sim 10^{-3} - 10^{-1}$
- Either pp or $p\gamma$: sub-TeV dip \rightarrow indication of core scenario

Optical Depths for Core Regions

Wei, Zhang & KM 25 in prep.

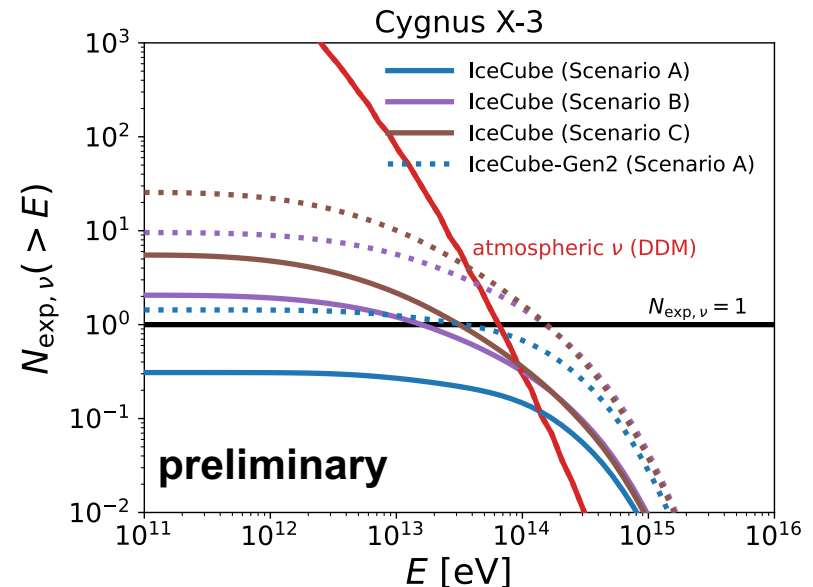
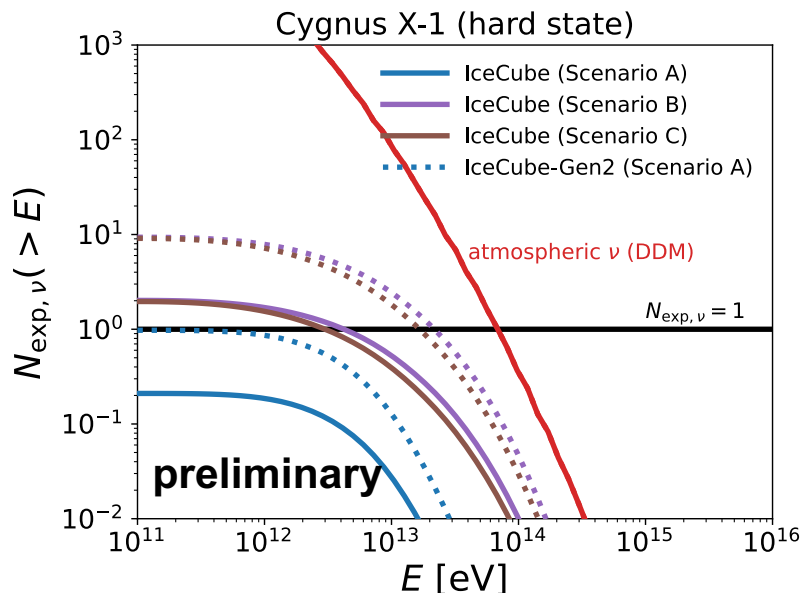


Neutrinos



- Potentially more neutrinos than gamma rays if hidden
- Significant pion/muon cooling (which are often ignored) can reduce both neutrino and secondary synchrotron fluxes
- (Not surprisingly) neutrino detection is challenging as in ~ 10 -100 pc jet models

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Summary

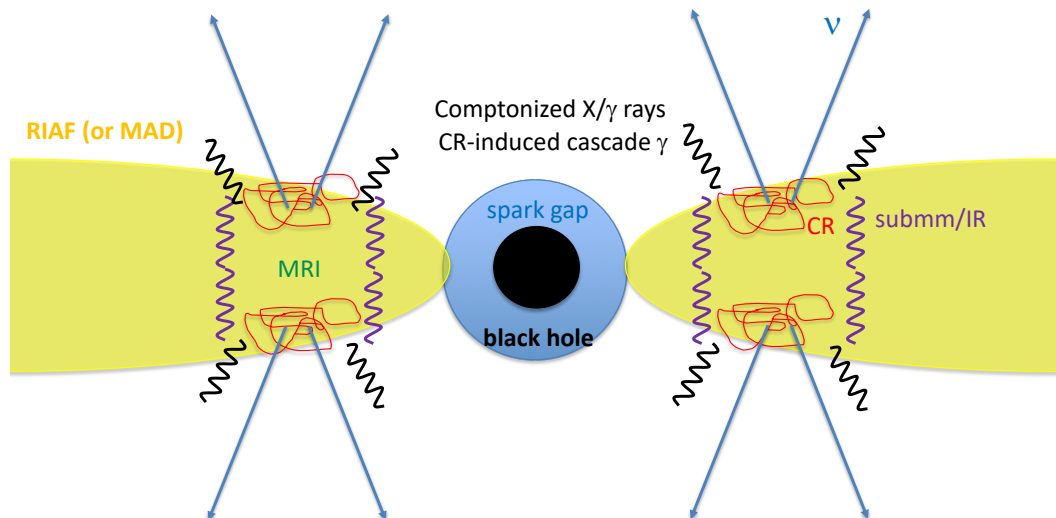
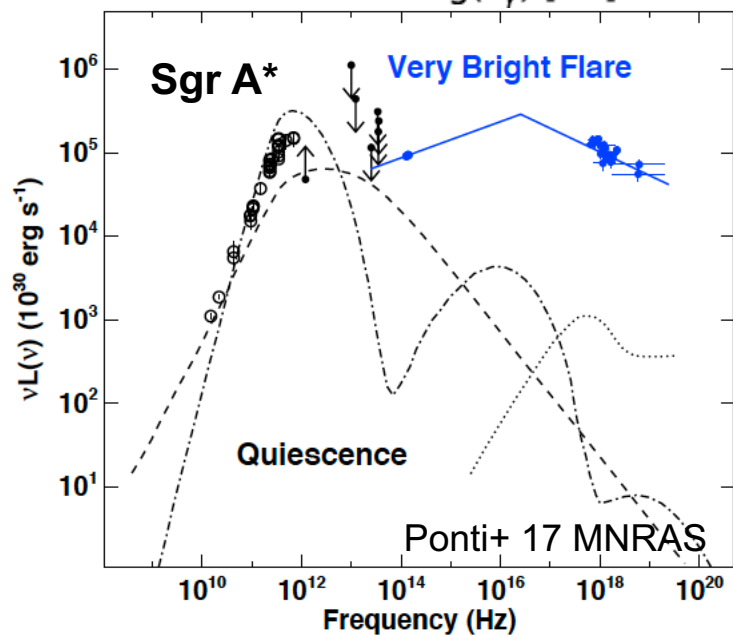
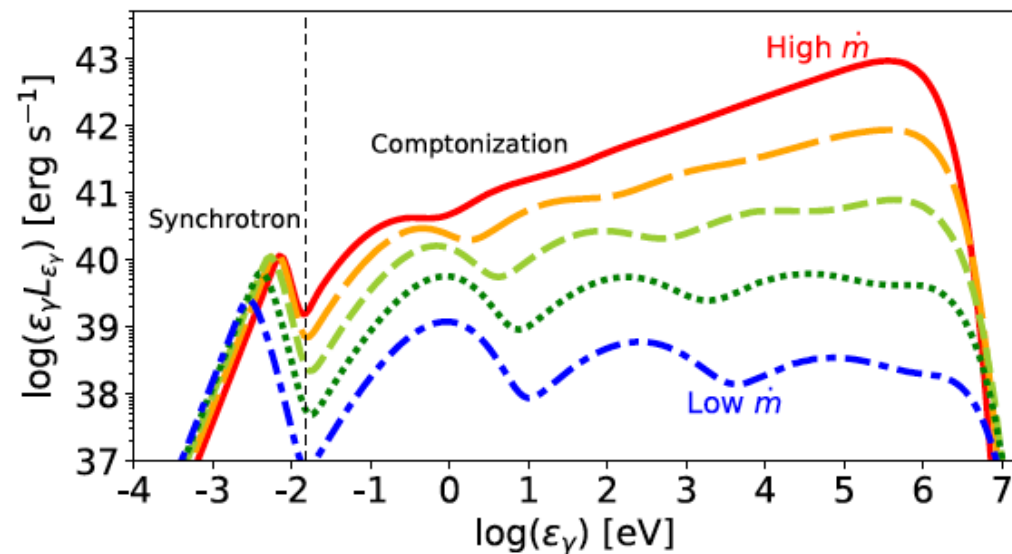
- Galactic diffuse: **multimessenger connection** now observed
supporting the hadronic origin whether the origin is truly diffuse or not
contribution of unresolved super-Pevatrons may be significant above 100 TeV
- Microquasars as emerging super-Pevatrons
potential contributor to cosmic rays around the knee
consistent w. leptonic origins but hadronic components may exist
shear acceleration (jet-cocoon boundary behind the termination shock)
common explanation for the highest-energy cosmic rays? (cf. AGN)
- Compact “core” regions as partially γ -ray hidden cosmic-ray accelerators
~0.1-1 PeV photons may come from either $p\gamma$ or pp process
gamma-ray attenuation signature at sub-TeV energies?
neutrino detection is challenging
- Connections to isolated black holes and past Sgr A* activities?

Radiative Inefficient Accretion Flows

Kimura, KM & Toma 15 ApJ

Kimura, KM & Meszaros 21 Nature Comm.

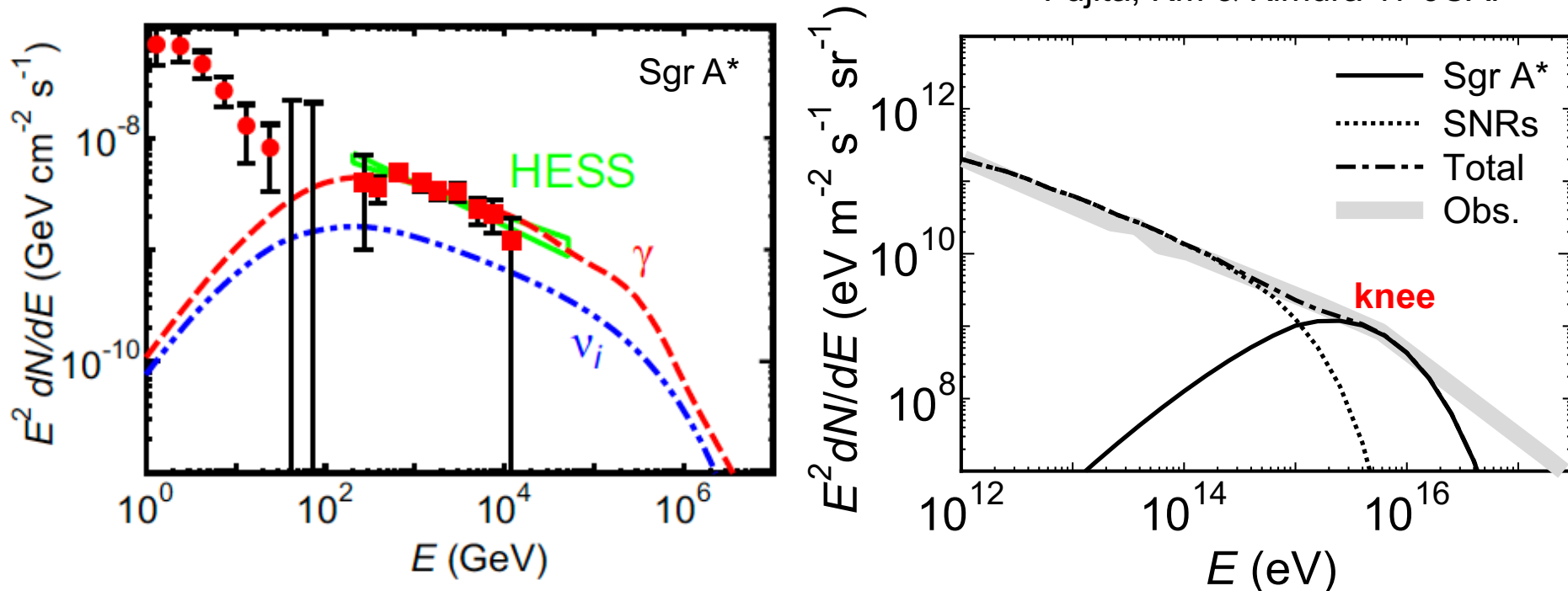
- RIAF for $\dot{m} < 0.03$
- Hot plasma
- Electrons are mostly thermal (collisional for electrons, collisionless for protons)



Sgr A Black Hole as a PeVatron*

Sgr A*: black hole w. radiatively inefficient accretion flow (RIAF)
RIAFs may accelerate protons up to PeV energies and beyond

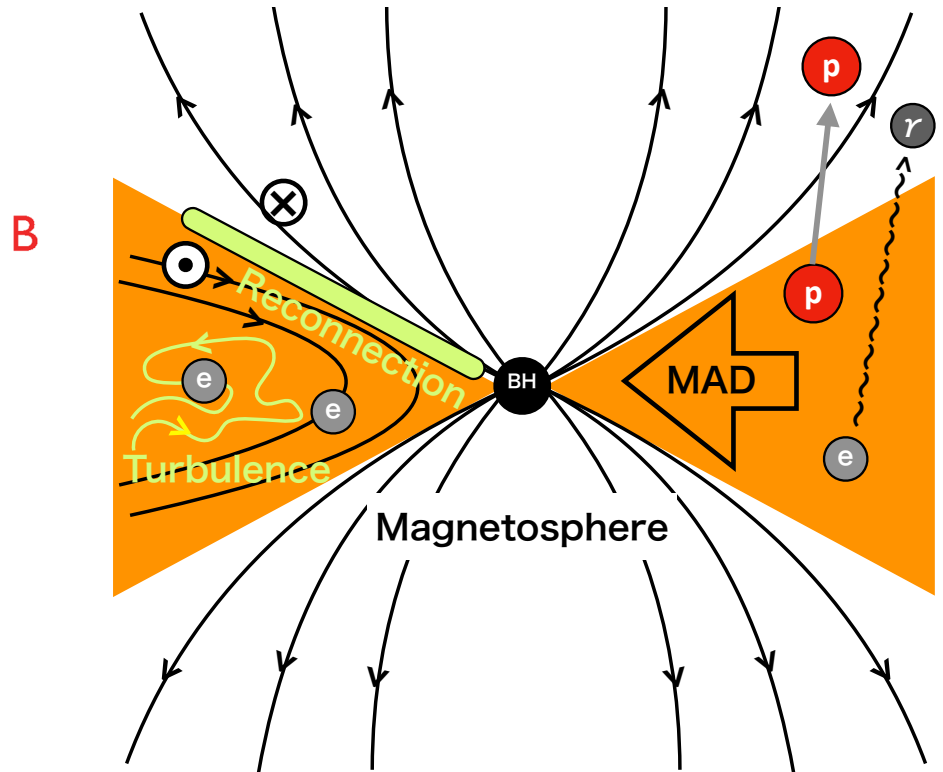
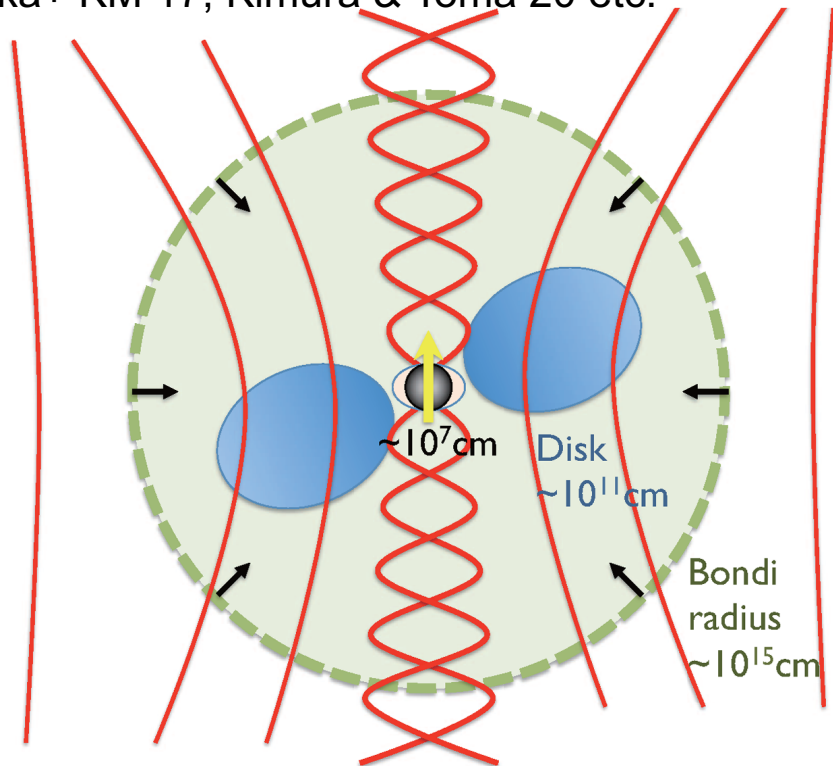
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- CRs escaping from RIAFs interact with the CMZ.
- Effective pp optical depth: $f_{pp} \sim 0.1$ ($t_{diff}/0.1$ Myr)
- Extragalactic LL AGNs may explain IceCube neutrinos

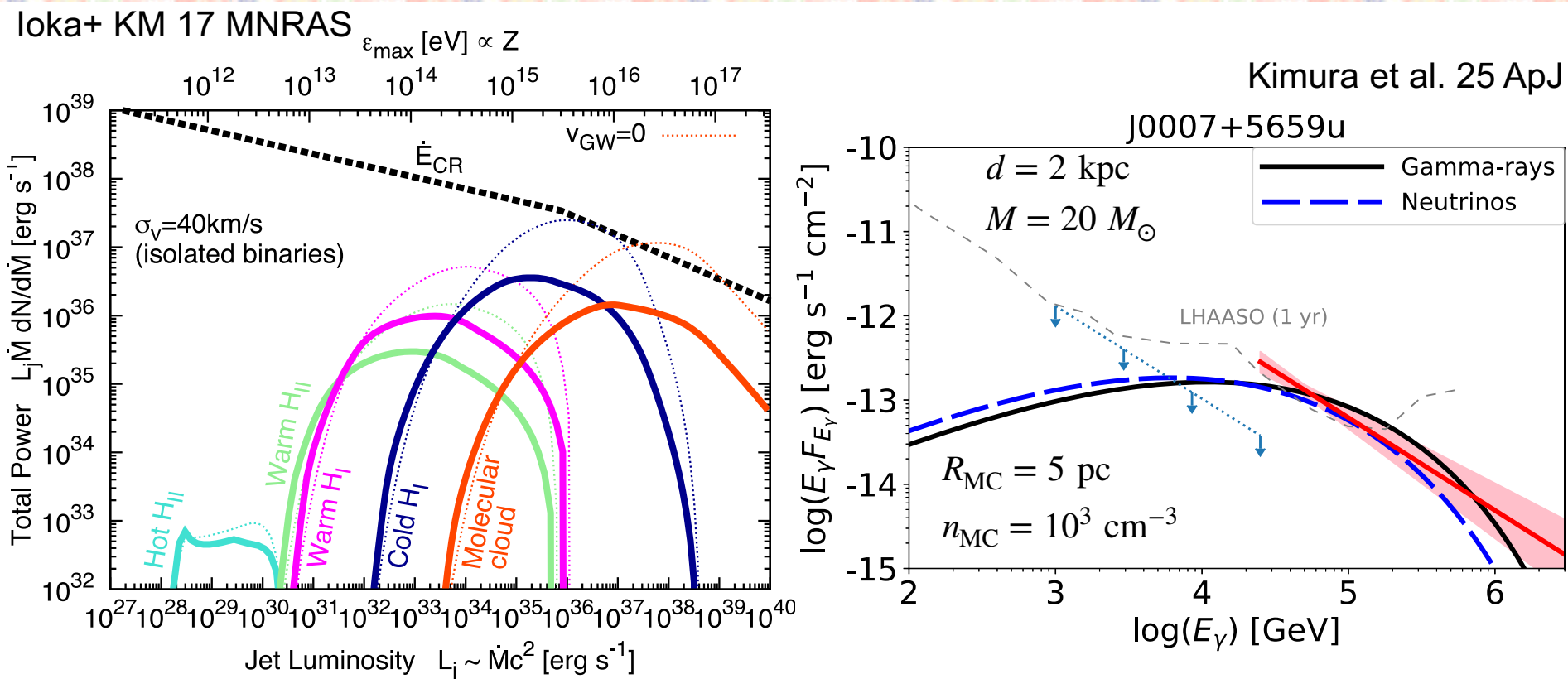
Isolated Black Holes as PeVatrons?

Ioka+ KM 17, Kimura & Toma 20 etc.



- $\sim 0.1\%$ of stars form black holes $\rightarrow N \sim 10^8$
- ISM gas may accrete w. the Bondi-Hoyle-Littleton rate
- BH embedded in molecular clouds: $\dot{M} c^2 \sim 10^{35} - 10^{36} \text{ erg/s}$
- CR acceleration may occur in both jets and disks

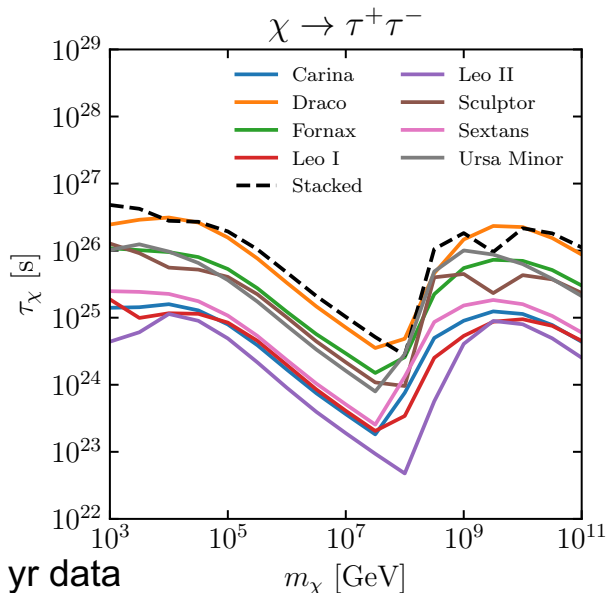
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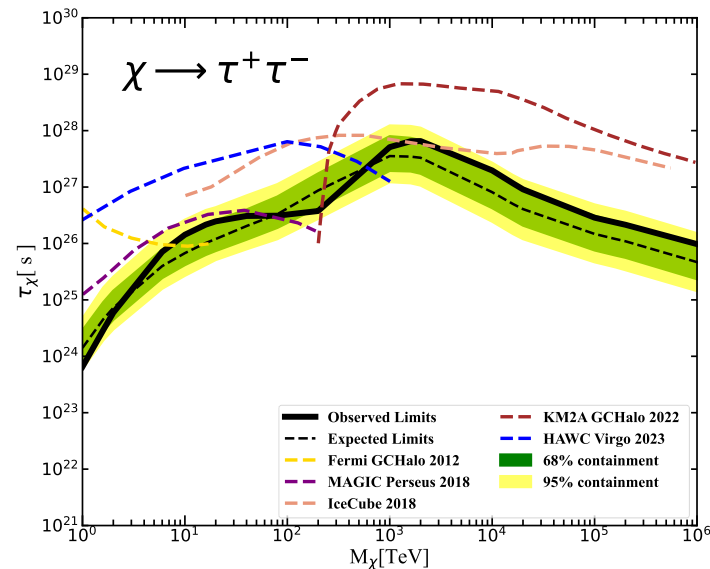
- $\sim 10^5$ isolated BHs in molecular clouds
- $\sim 10^5$ merged BHs \rightarrow spinning & jets
- Either BH population can be PeVatrons that could also contribute to the CR spectrum around the knee

Search for Heavy Dark Matter in Dwarf Galaxies

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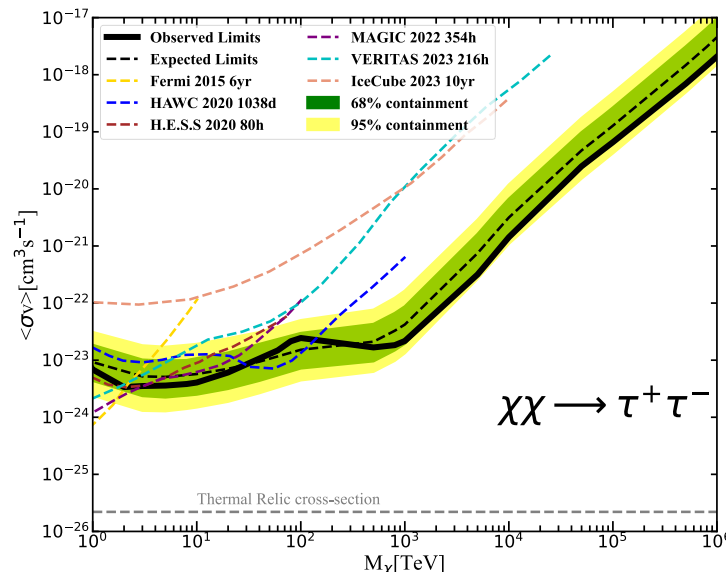
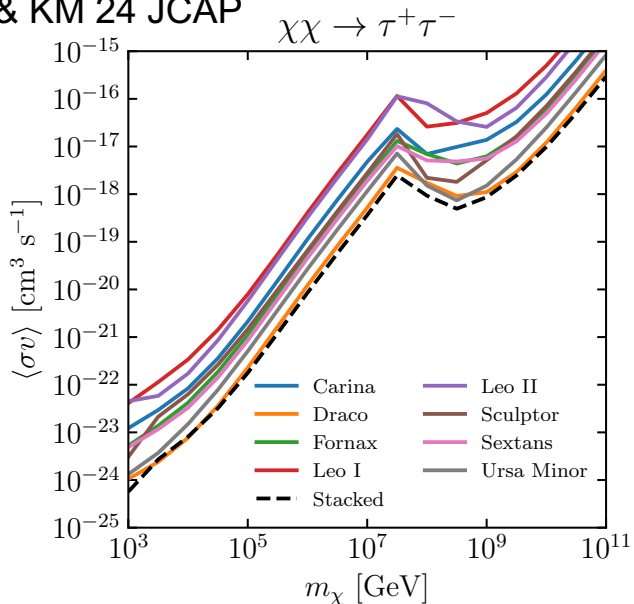


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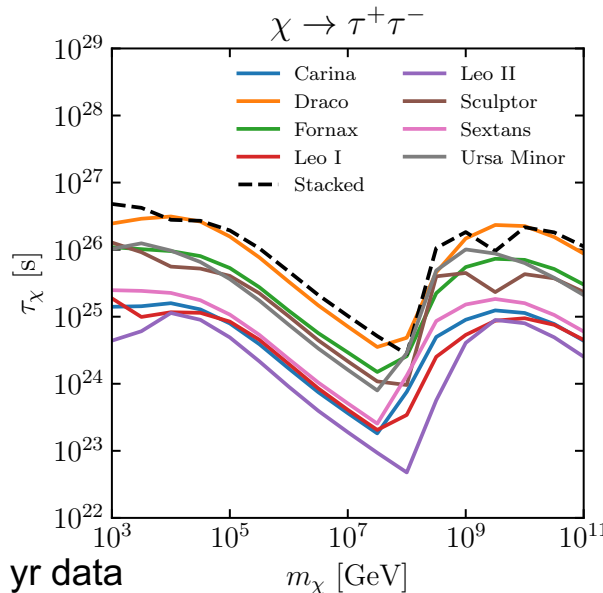
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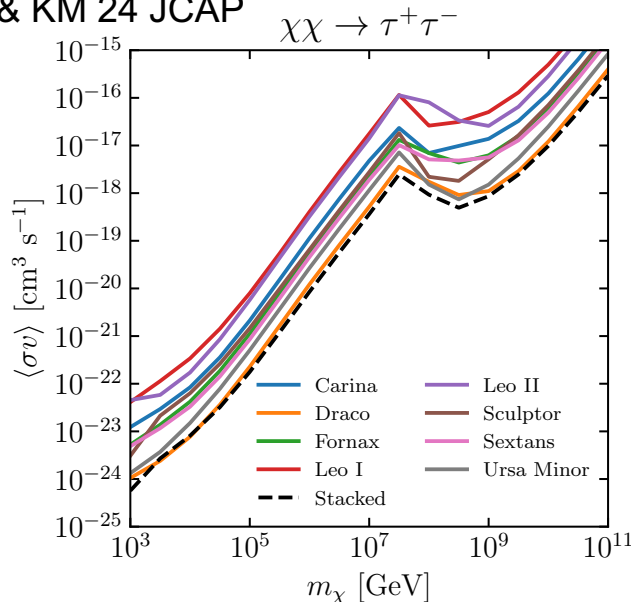


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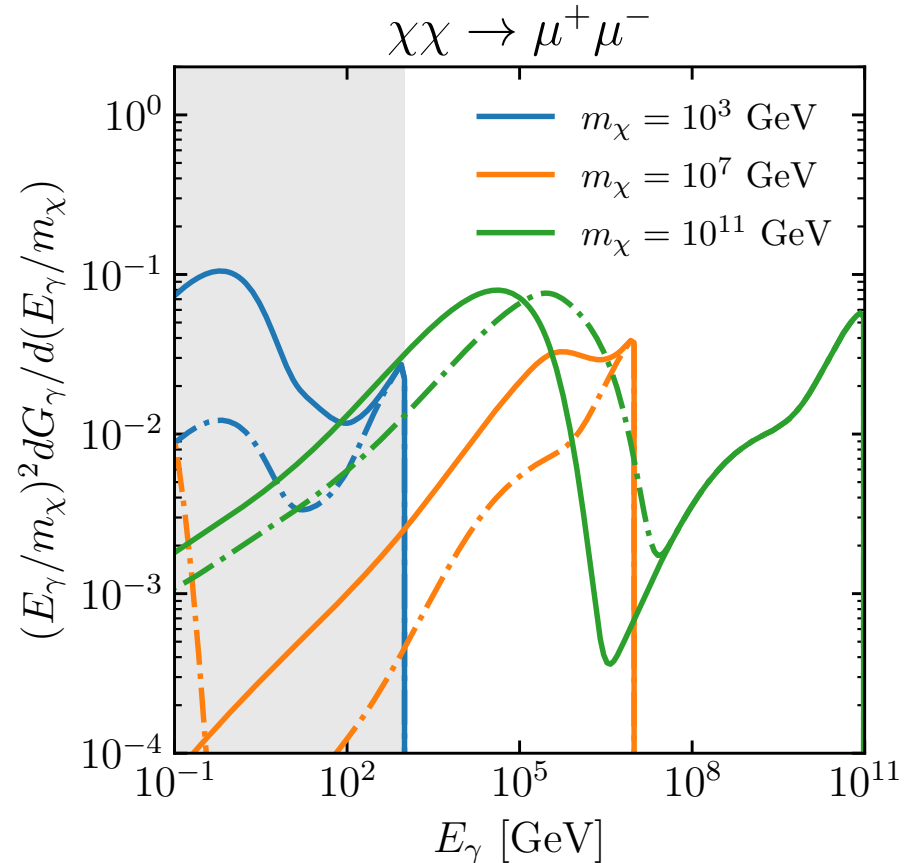
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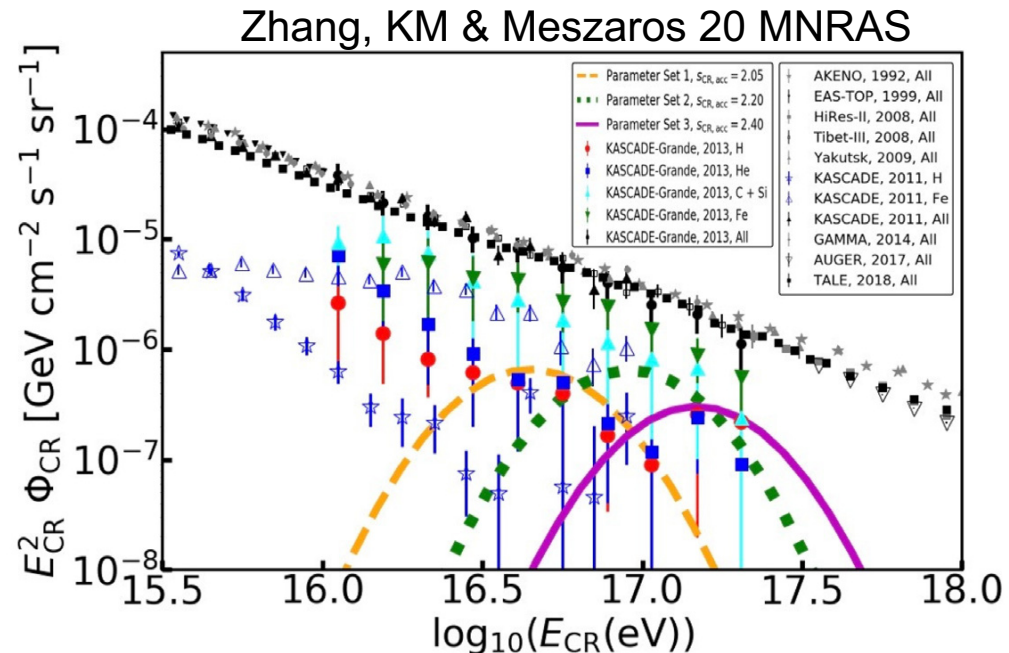
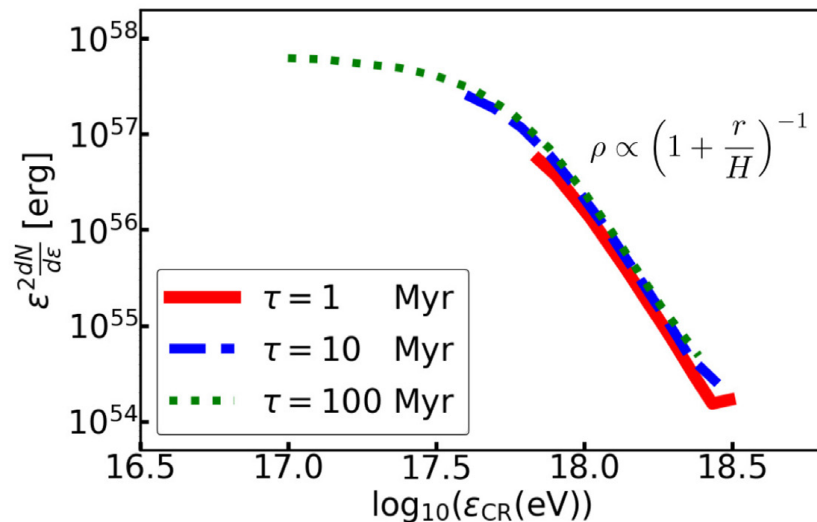
For $m_\chi > \sim 10^{11}$ GeV, synchrotron emission may appear in the PeV range

Milky Way Galactic Winds as Super-Pevatrons?

AGN winds $\varepsilon_p^{\max} \approx (3/20)(V_w/c)eB_w R \simeq 21 \text{ PeV } \epsilon_{B,-2}^{1/2} L_{w,44}^{1/2} (V_w/1000 \text{ km s}^{-1})^{1/2}$

starburst-driven winds $\varepsilon_{\max}(t) \simeq \frac{3}{20} \cdot Z \cdot e \cdot B \cdot R_s \cdot \frac{V_s}{c}$

$$\simeq 1.6 \times 10^{17} Z \epsilon_{B,-2} (\text{SFR}_4 \cdot E_{\text{ej},51})^{3/5} \rho_{0,-21}^{-1/10} t_{\text{Myr}}^{-1/5} \text{ eV}$$



Possibly $\sim 10^{20}$ eV by scaling up Milky-Way-like galaxies???

(ex. Anchordoqui 18, KM & Fukugita 19, Peretti+ 21)