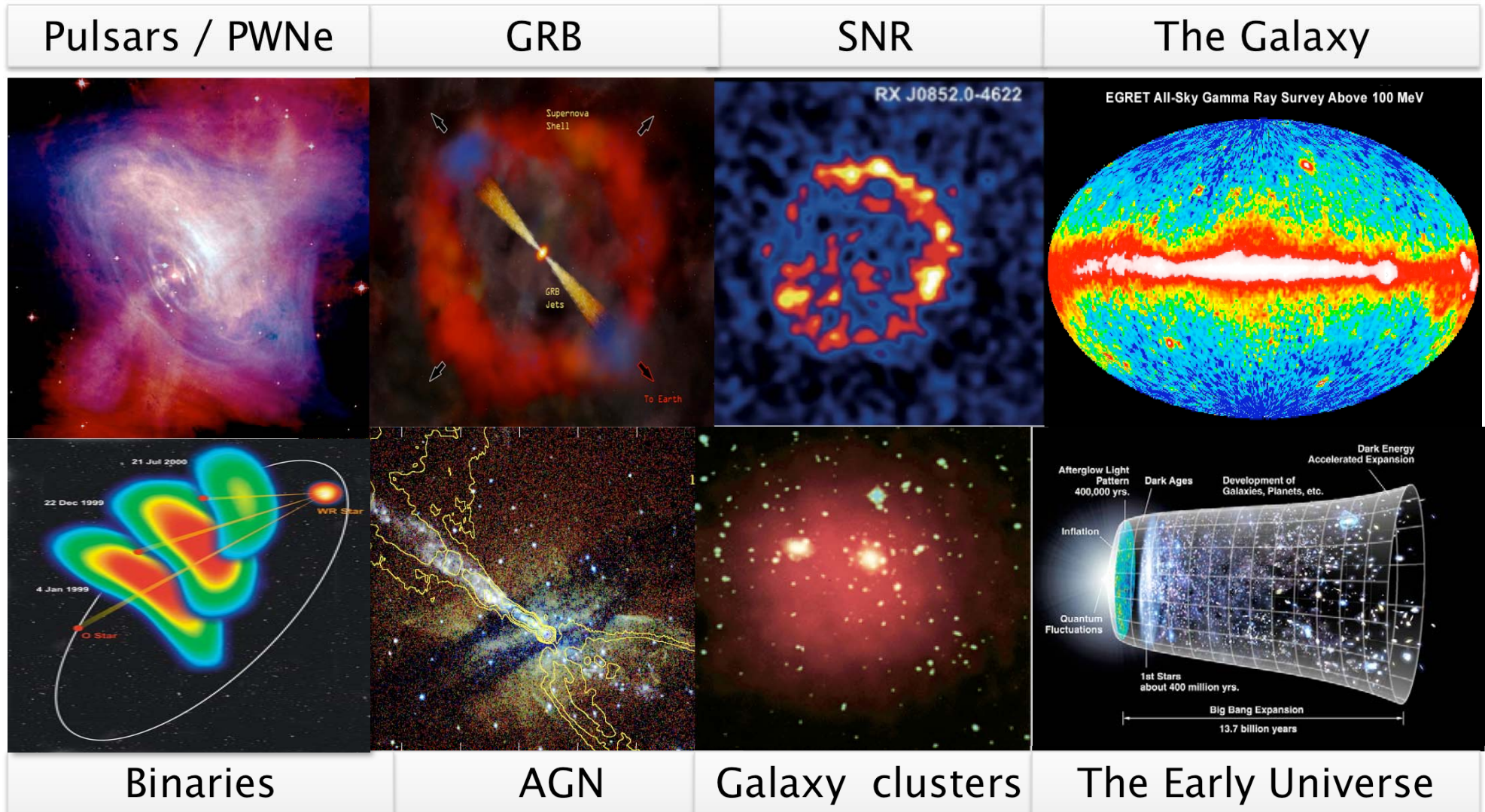


Where do cosmic rays come from?

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Overview

Many faces of the problem of the origin of Cosmic rays

Astrophysical phenomena involved

- * Supernovae / supernova remnants
- * pulsars / pulsar wind nebulae
- * active galaxies
- * ...

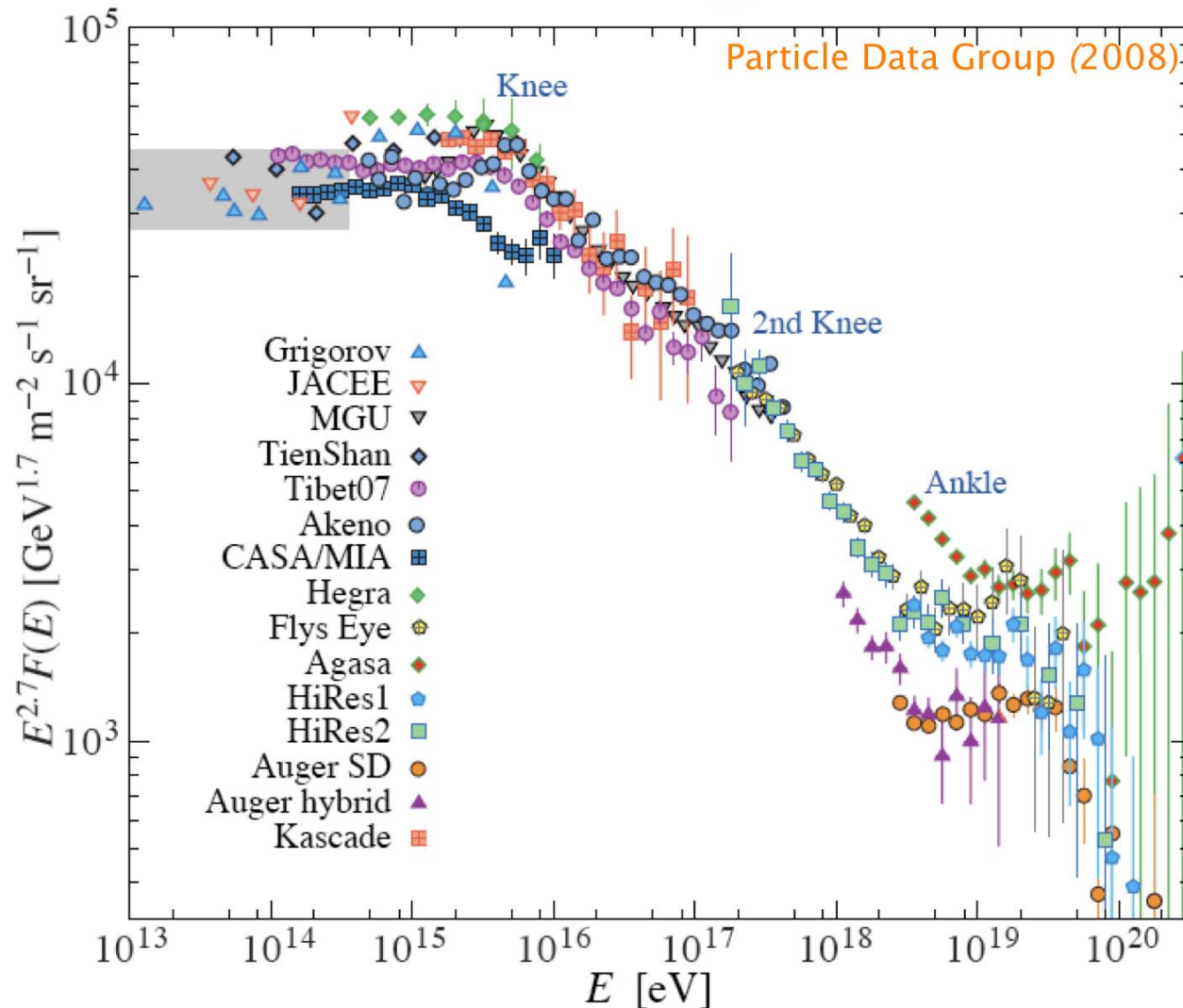
Main types of acceleration mechanisms

- * shock acceleration
- * acceleration by large-scale electric fields

Particle cascades

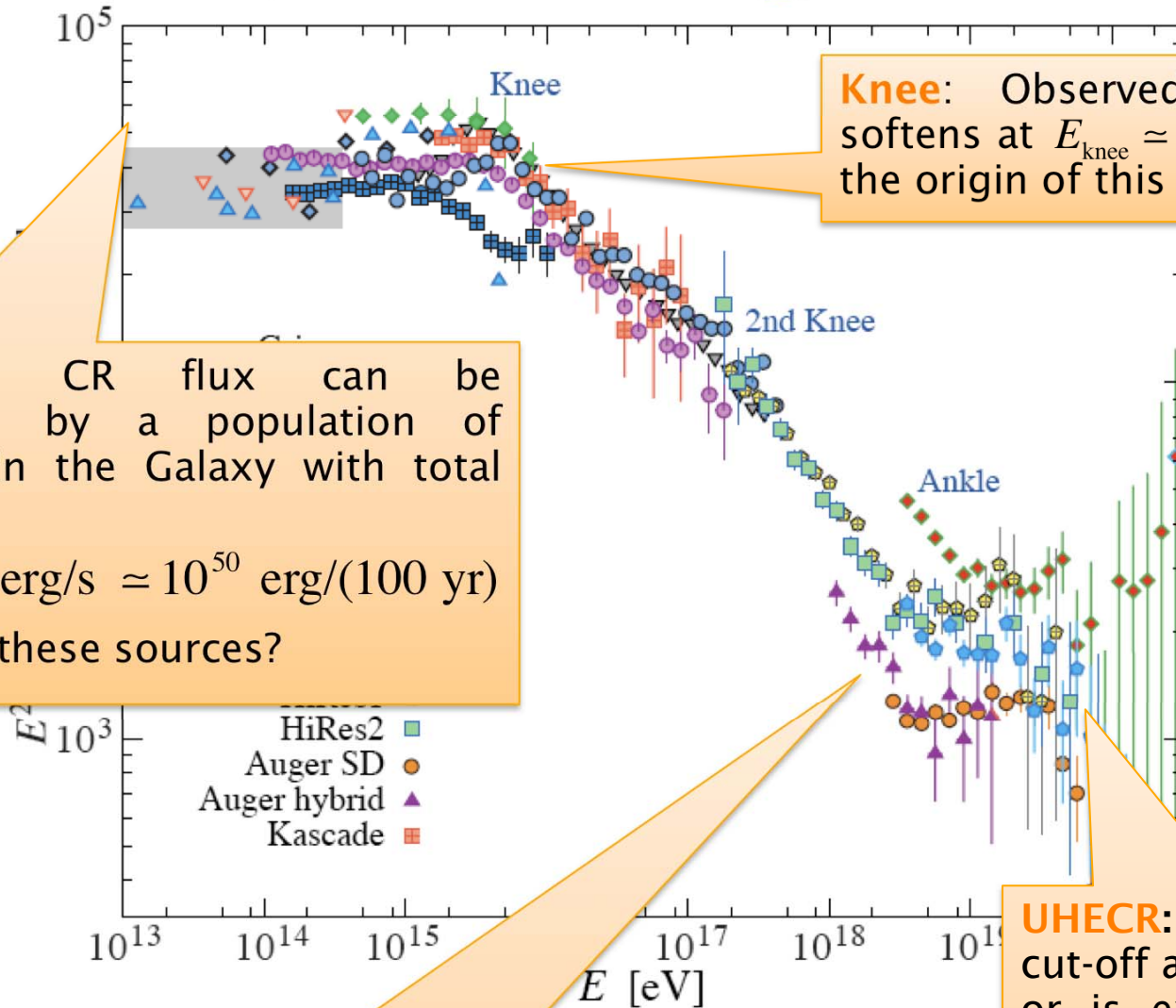
- * inside cosmic ray sources
- * in interstellar/intergalactic space

Problem of the origin of cosmic rays



- ★ Discovered in 1912 by V.Hess
 - ★ $dN_{\text{CR}} / dE \propto E^{-2.7..-3}$, $10^{10} \text{ eV} \leq E \leq 10^{20} \text{ eV}$
 - ★ Sources are unknown
- ➔ Major problem of Astroparticle Physics

Problem(s) of the origin of cosmic rays



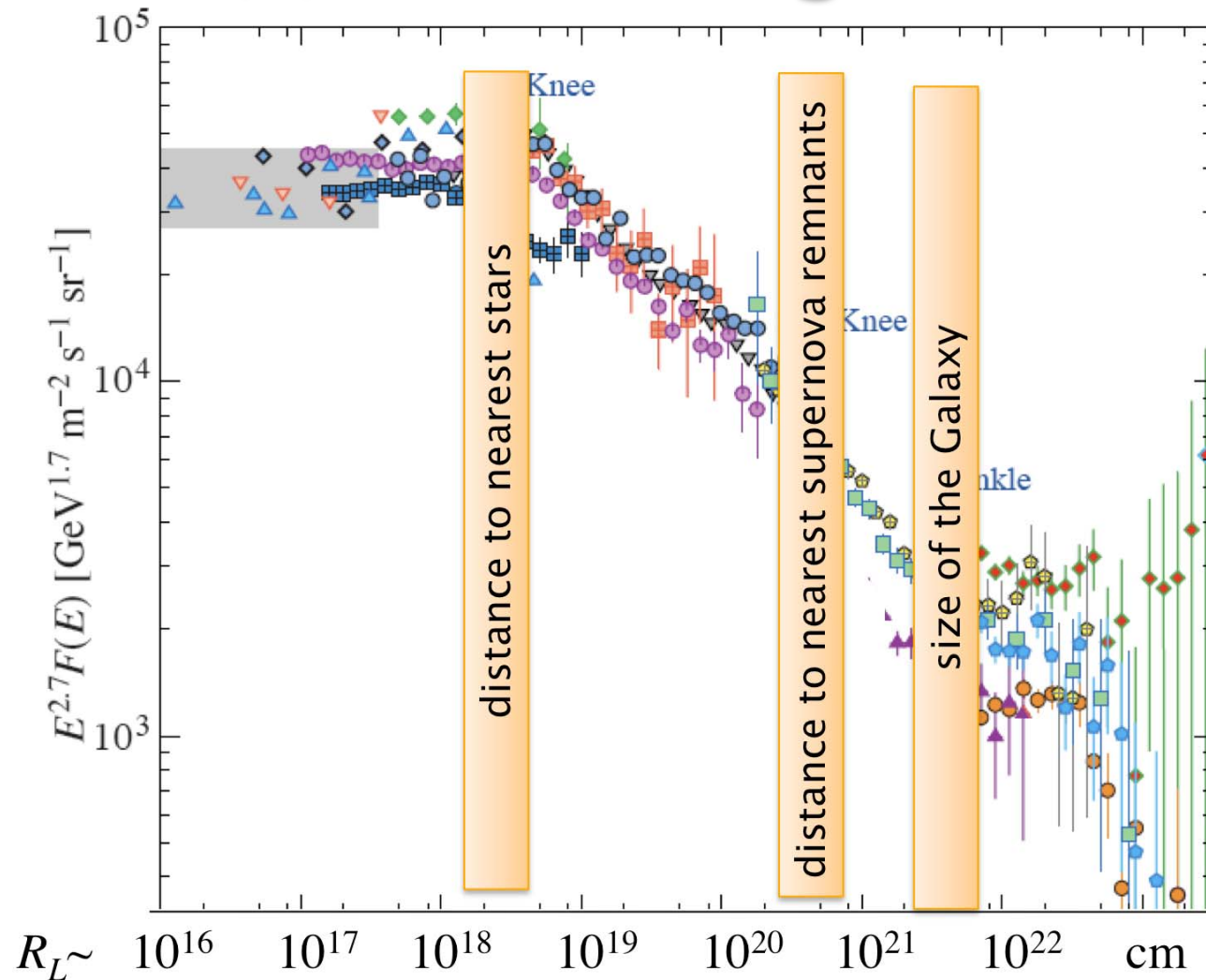
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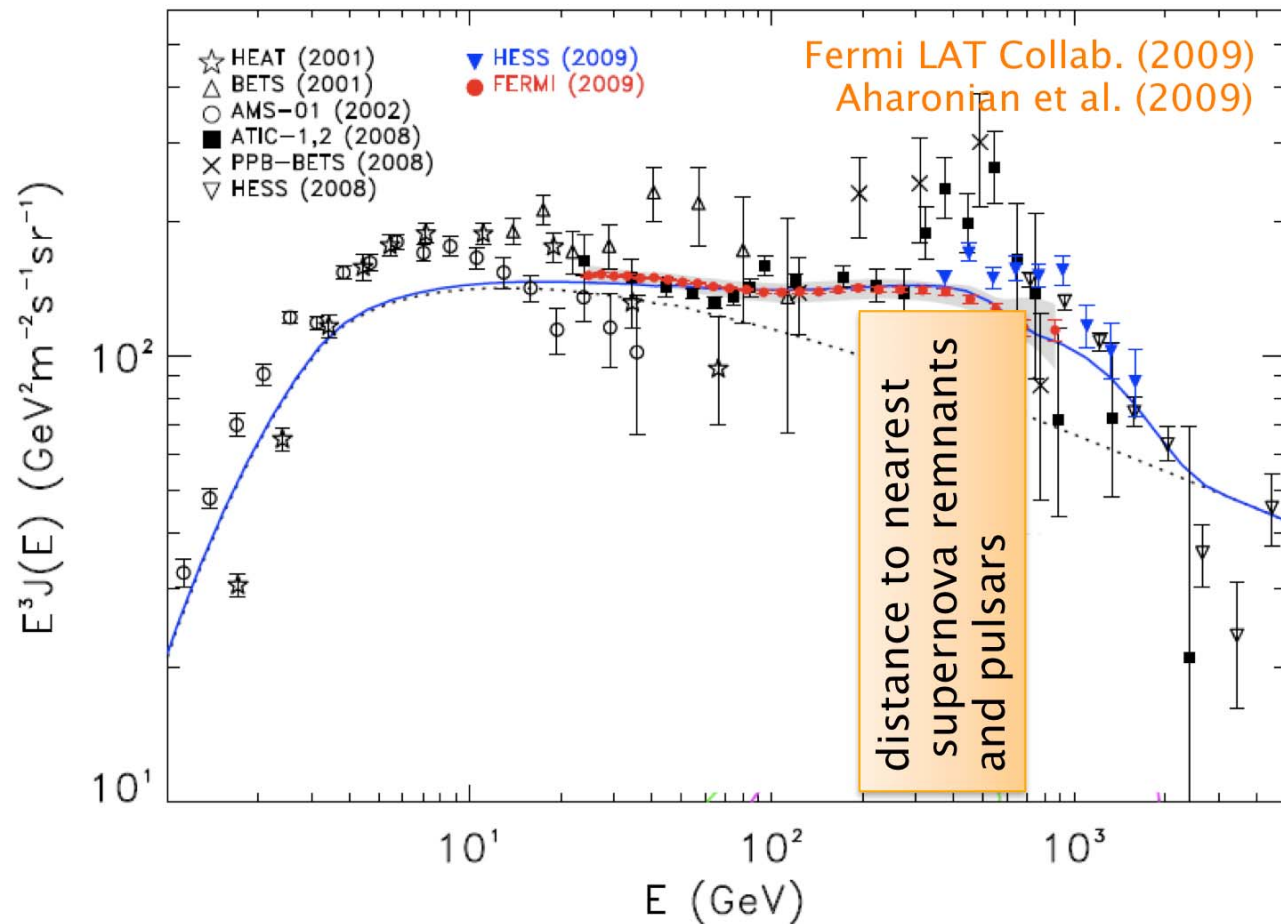


Radius of gyration in Galactic magnetic field

$$R_L = \frac{E}{ZeB} \approx 10^{18} Z^{-1} \left[\frac{E}{10^{15} \text{ eV}} \right] \left[\frac{B}{3 \times 10^{-6} \text{ G}} \right]^{-1} \text{ cm}$$

→ CR sources at distances $R > R_L$ could not be detected directly

... and of cosmic ray electrons



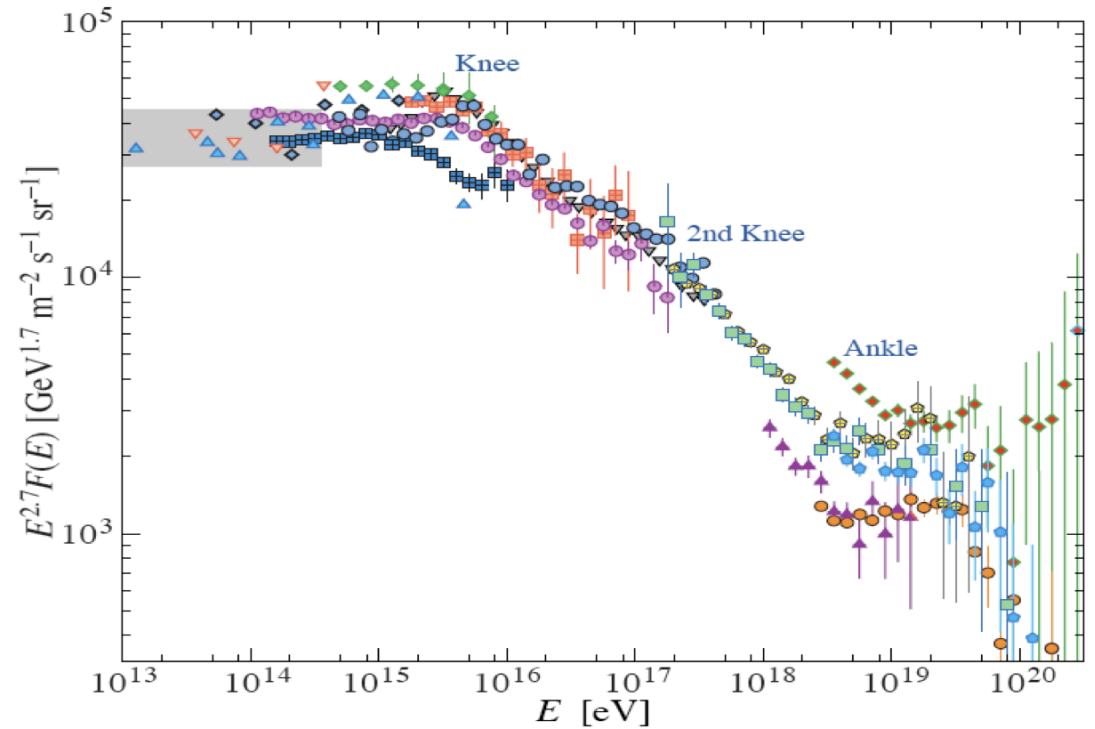
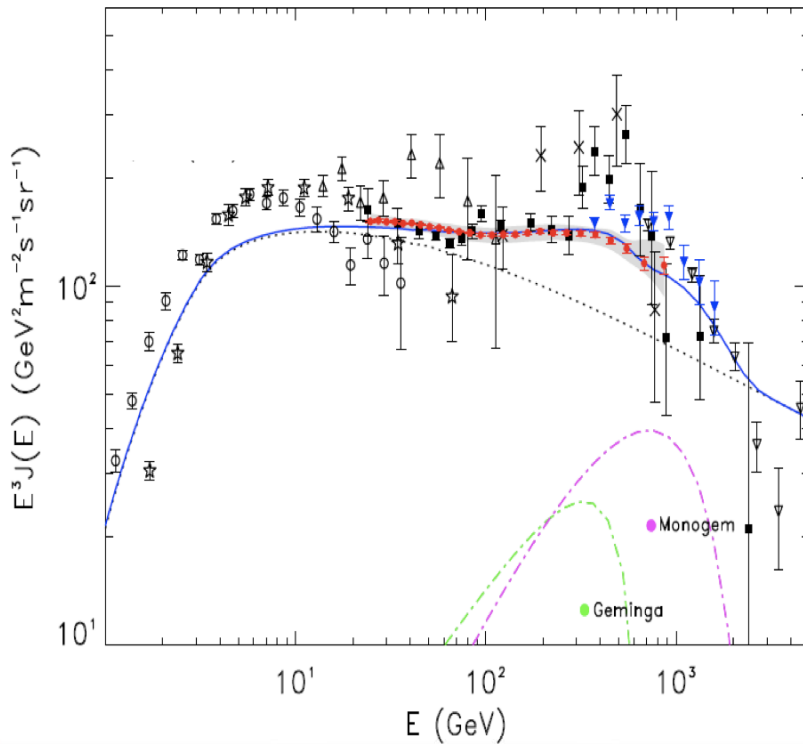
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and can not diffuse further than $R \approx \sqrt{Dt_{\text{synch}}} \approx 10^{21} \left[\frac{E}{10^{12} \text{ eV}} \right]^{1/3} \text{ cm}$ from their production place

energy-dependent diffusion coefficient

→ CR electrons come from nearby (unknown) sources

High-energy astrophysics → CR physics



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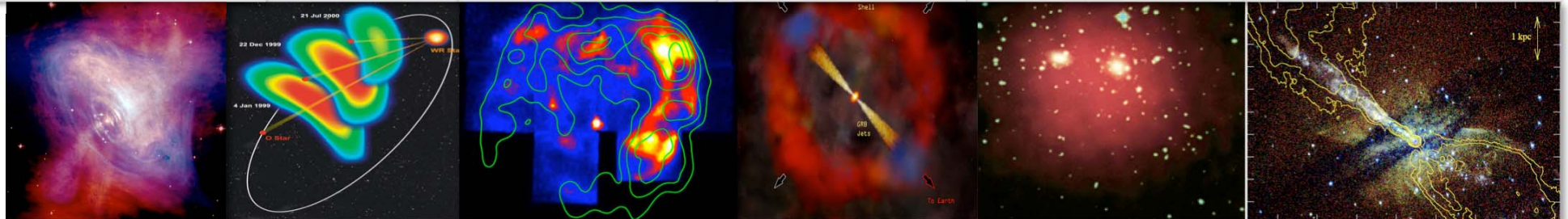
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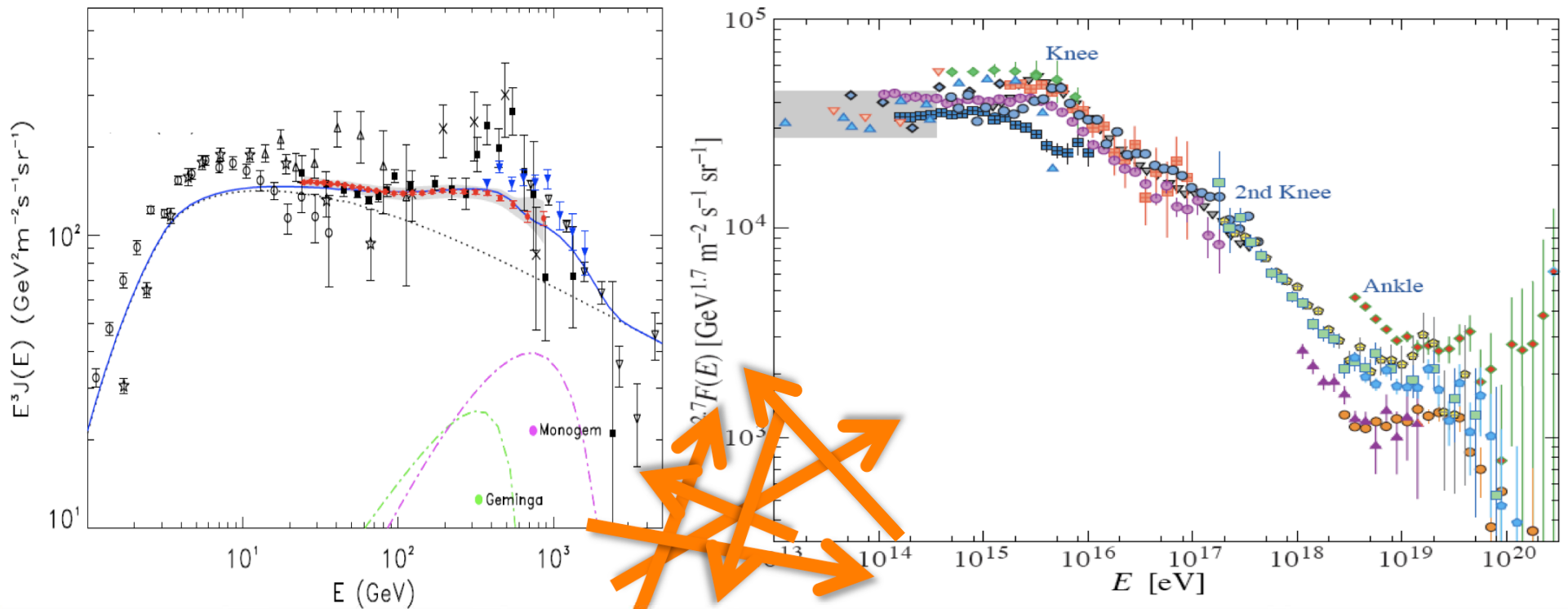


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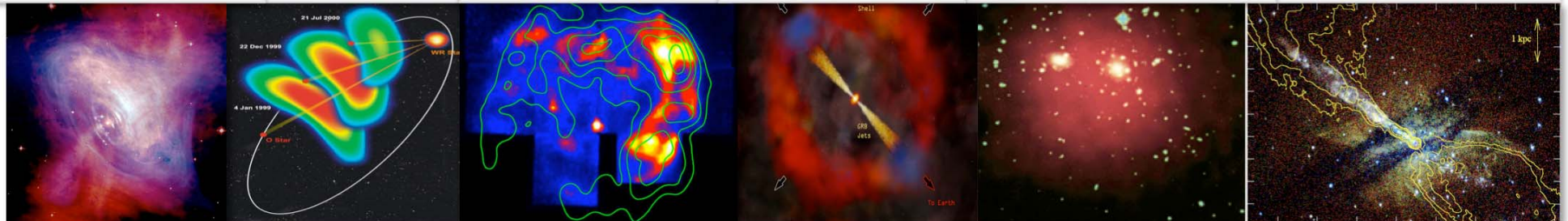
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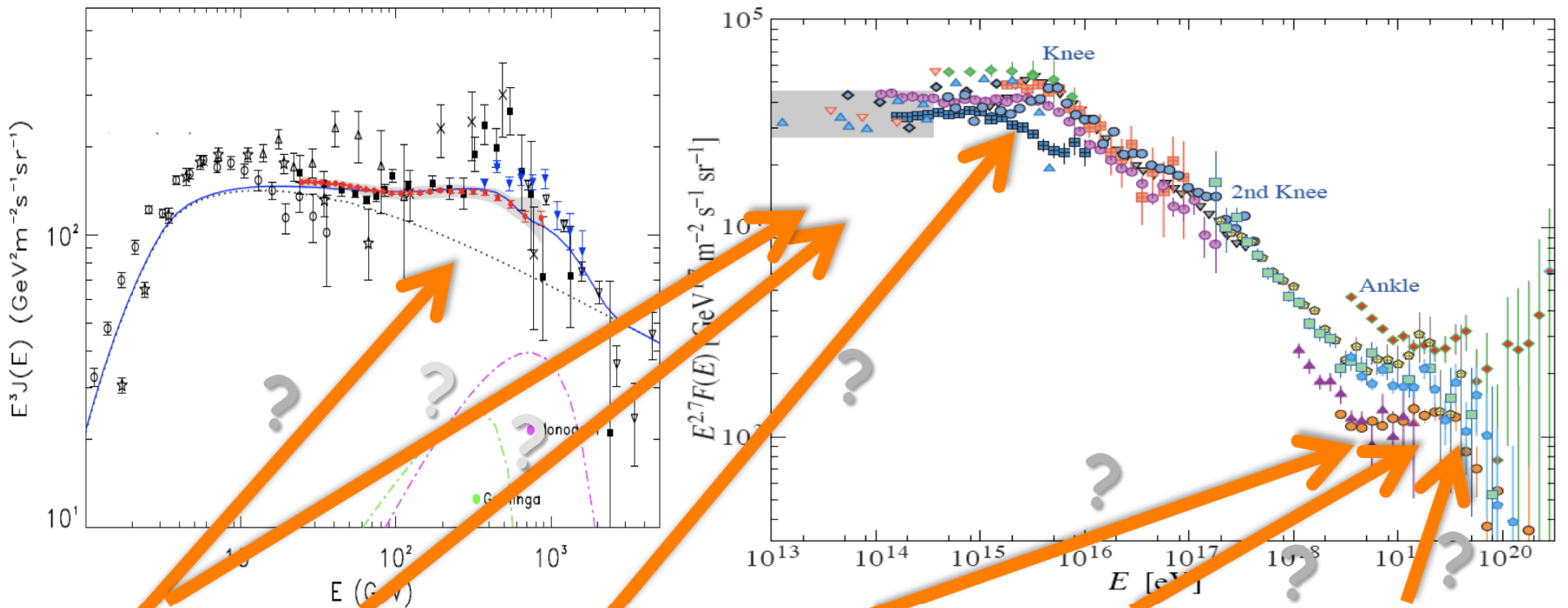


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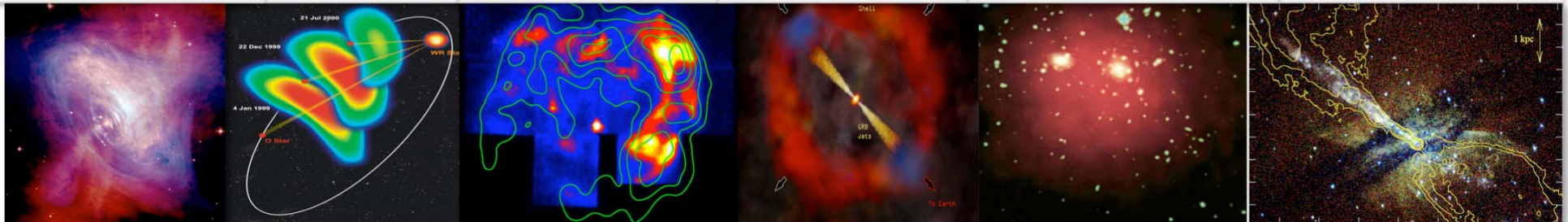
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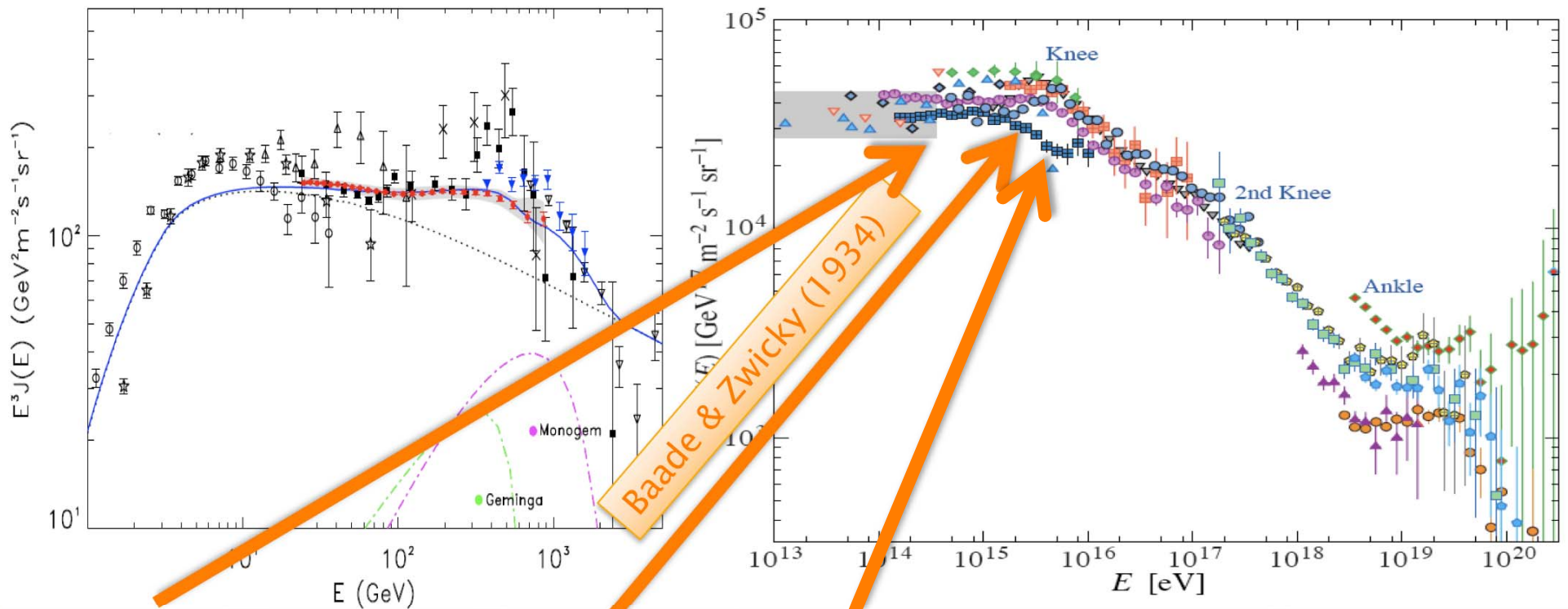


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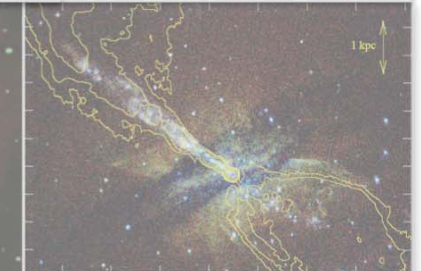
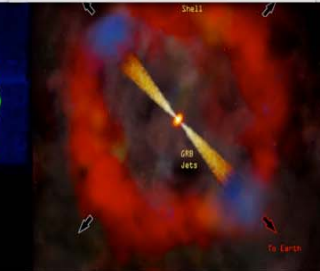
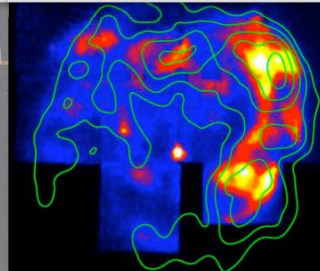
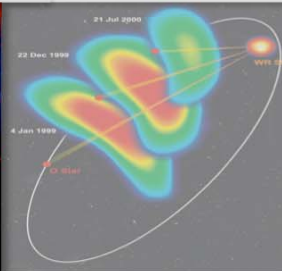
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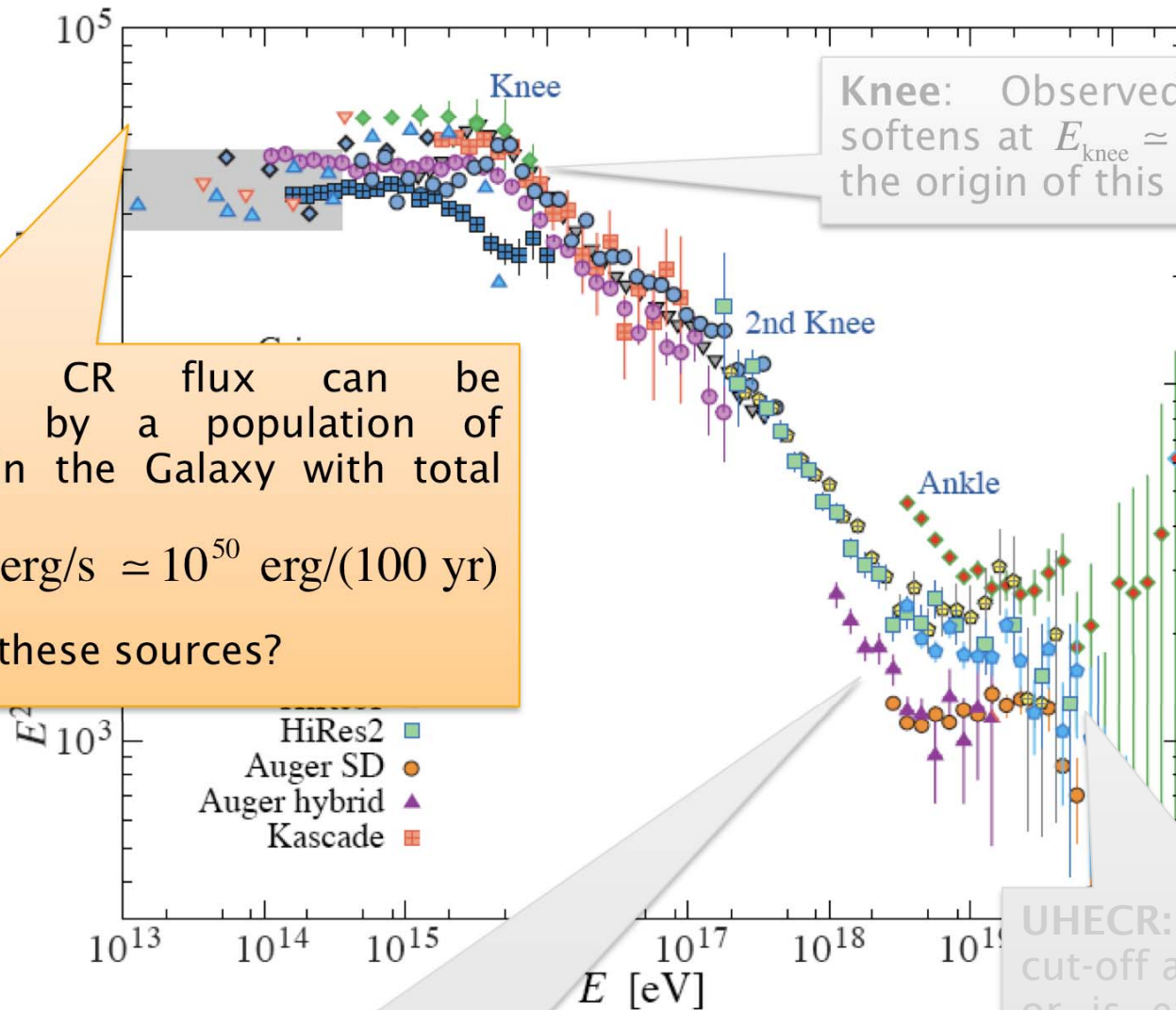
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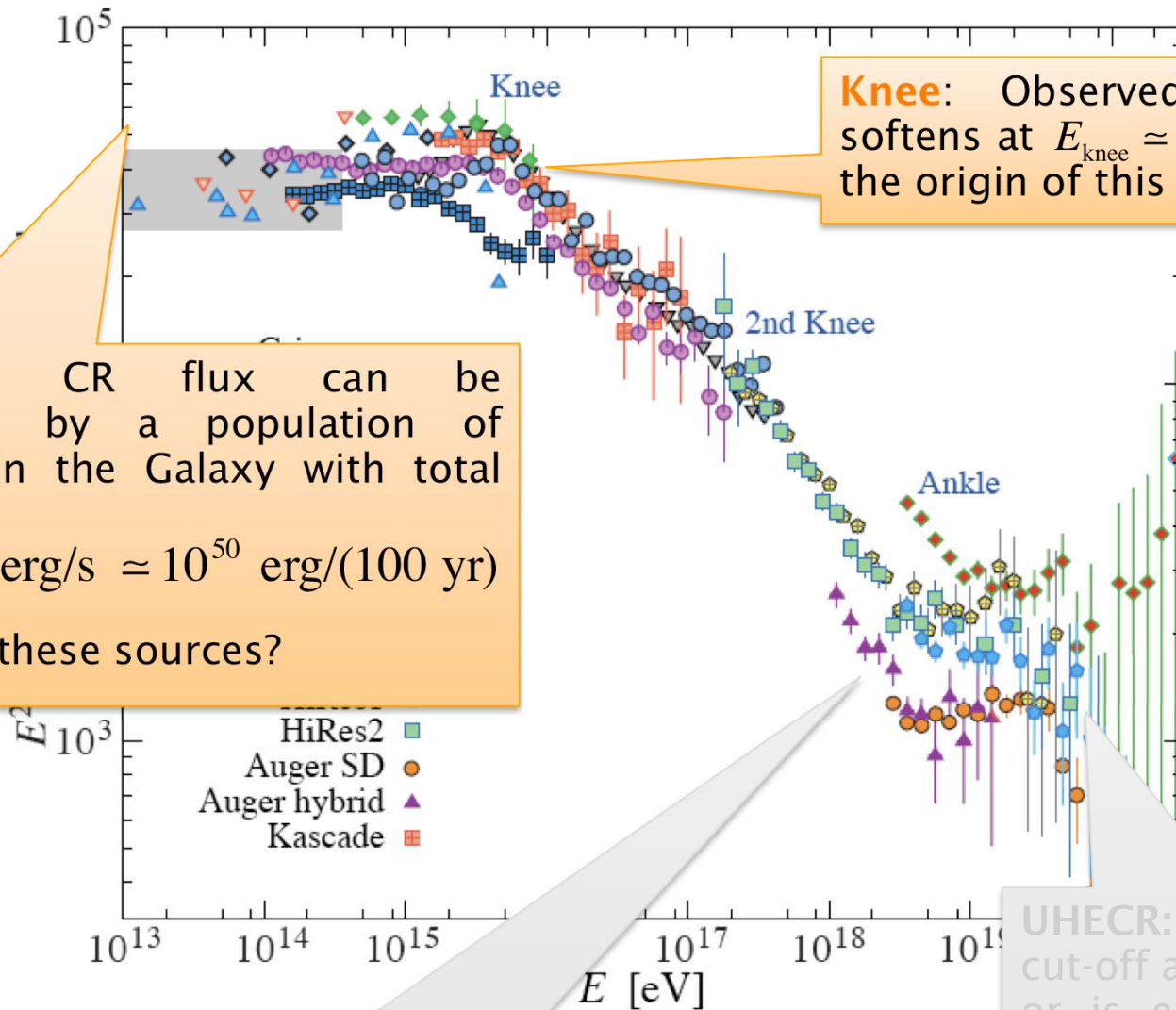
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Remarks on Super-Novae and Cosmic Rays

We have recently called attention to a remarkable type of giant novae.¹ As the subject of super-novae is probably very unfamiliar we give here a few more details which are not contained in our original articles.

1. Distribution of super-novae

In our calculations we made use of the assumption that on the average one super-nova appears in each galaxy every thousand years. This estimate is based on the occurrence of super-novae in the following galaxies,

Our own galaxy	in 1572
Andromeda	1885
Messier 101	1907

These three systems are located within a sphere of radius 12×10^5 light years.

In the Virgo cluster, which contains about 500 nebulae, six super-novae were found on plates taken during the last thirty years. As a curiosity we mention that in N.G.C. 4321, which is a member of Virgo, two super-novae have appeared in 1901 and 1914, respectively.

In the same interval of 30 years six additional super-novae were found in isolated nebulae.

of our complete ignorance with respect to the evolution of the universe.

3. Ions in super-novae

If super-novae are giant analogues to ordinary novae we may expect that ionized gas shells are expelled from them at great speeds. If this assumption is correct, part of the cosmic rays should consist of protons and heavier ions. Direct tests by cloud chamber experiments at high altitudes are desirable in order to test this conclusion. Also the problem suggests itself to investigate how much energy

Supernovae as CR sources

4. Fluctuations of cosmic rays

In our original papers we have calculated the change in intensity of cosmic rays caused by flare-ups of super-novae in nearby galaxies. The estimates given are perhaps too optimistic in view of the fact that the velocities of different particles are different. If various particles are ejected simultaneously at the time $t=0$ from a galaxy which is 10^6 L.Y. away the times t of arrival on the earth are

$t = 10^6$ years for light if its velocity does not depend on the frequency.

We wish to emphasize that all of these finds are chance finds since a systematic search for super-novae has been organized only recently.

From the estimate of one super-nova per galaxy per thousand years it follows that 10^7 super-novae appear per year in the 10^{10} nebulae which are contained in a sphere of 2×10^9 years radius (critical distance derived from the red shift of nebulae). If cosmic rays come from super-novae their intensity in points far away from any individual super-nova will be essentially independent of time.

The lifetime of stars is supposed to be of the order of at least 10^{12} years. A nebula contains about 10^9 stars. These estimates, combined with the frequency of occurrence of one super-nova per galaxy per 10^3 years suggest that the super-nova process might occur to every star once in its lifetime, marking perhaps the cessation of its existence as an ordinary star. We realize that this suggestion is highly

Supernovae & end of life of stars

$t_1 = 10^6$ years + 410 seconds for 10^{11} volt electrons.
 $t_2 =$ " + 47.6 days " 10^9 " "
 $t_3 =$ " + 44 years " 10^{11} " protons.

These time lags $t_i - t$ would tend to smear out the change of intensity caused by the flare-up of individual super-novae. Dr. R. M. Langer in one of our seminars was the first to call attention to the straggling of simultaneously ejected particles.

5. The super-nova process

We have tentatively suggested that the super-nova process represents the transition of an ordinary star into a neutron star. If neutrons are produced on the surface of an ordinary star they will "rain" down towards the center if we assume that the light pressure on neutrons is practically zero. This view explains the speed of the star's transformation into a neutron star. We are fully aware

Supernovae ↔ Neutron stars

F. ZWICKY

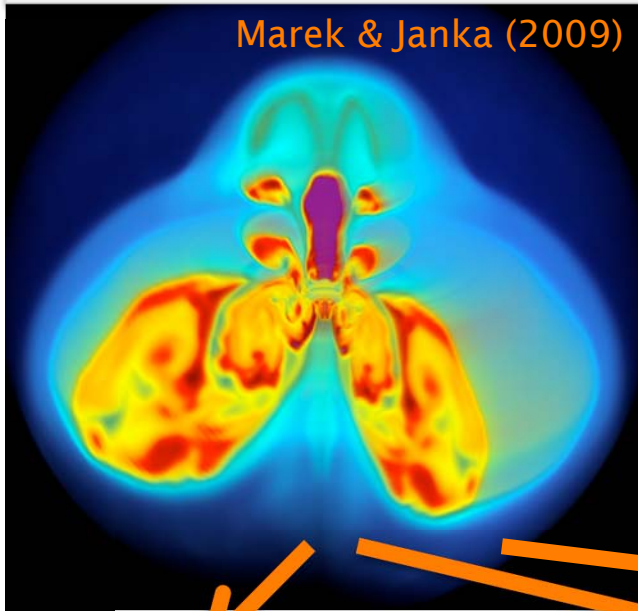
Mt. Wilson Observatory and
 California Institute of Technology, Pasadena
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Baade & Zwicky (1934)

Cosmic Rays and Supernovae

Supernova explosion

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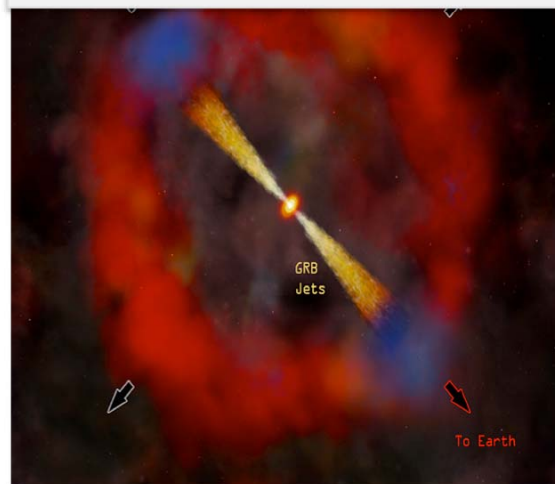
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→ Particle acceleration is taking place in supernova-related sources

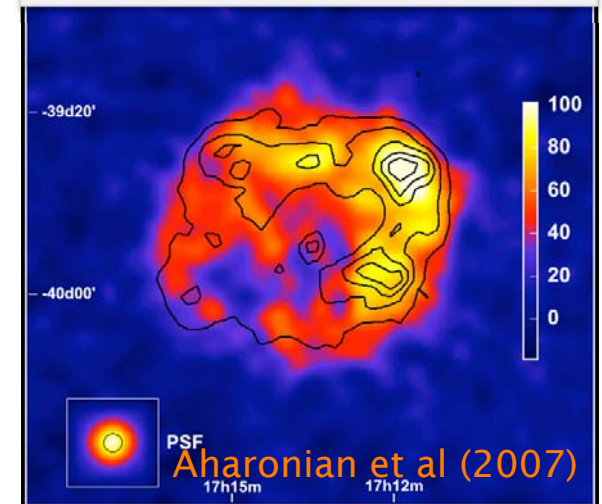
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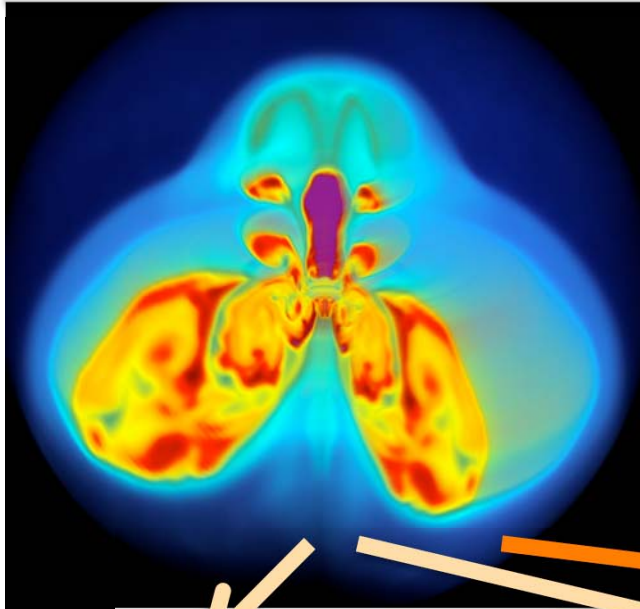


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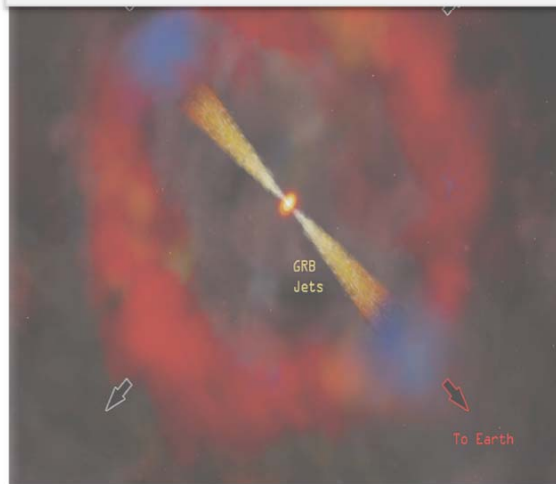
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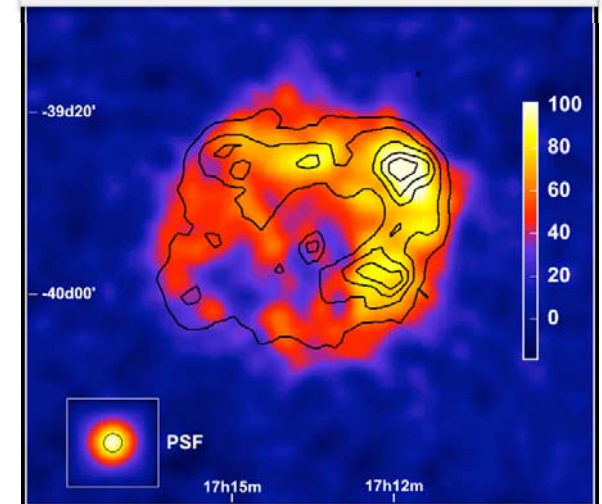
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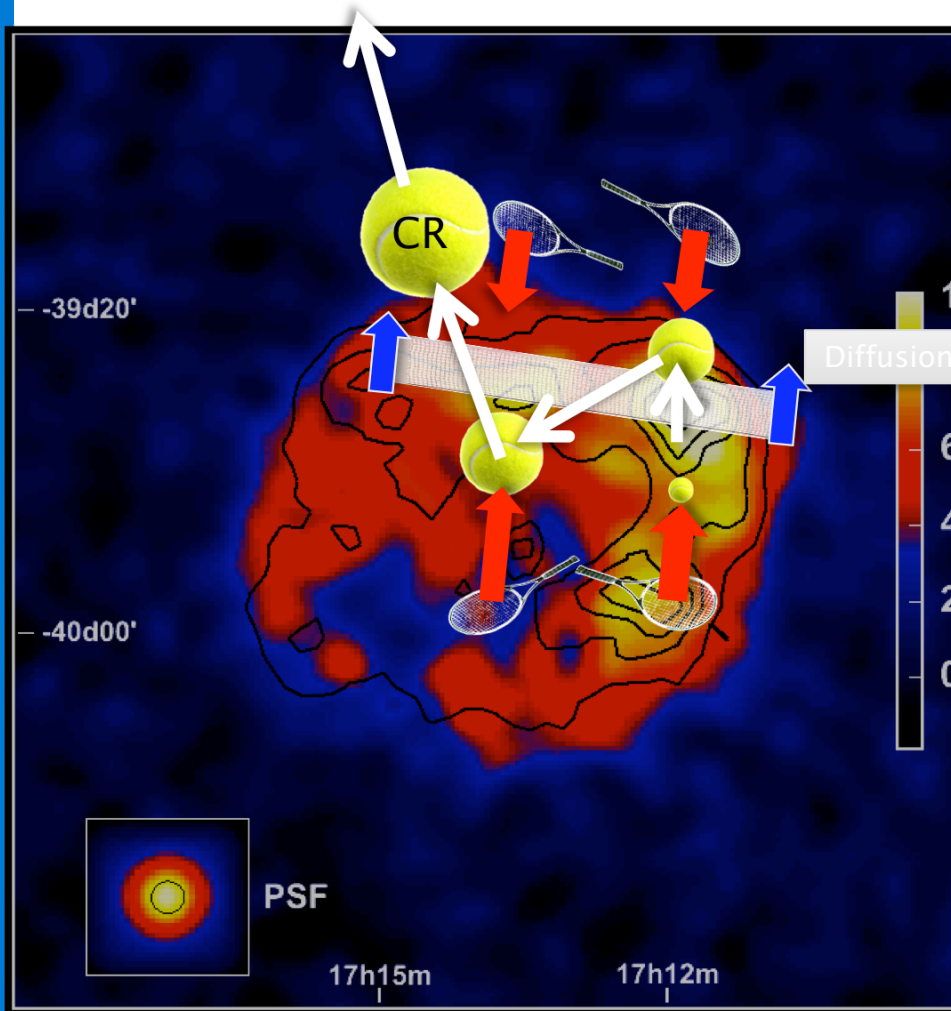


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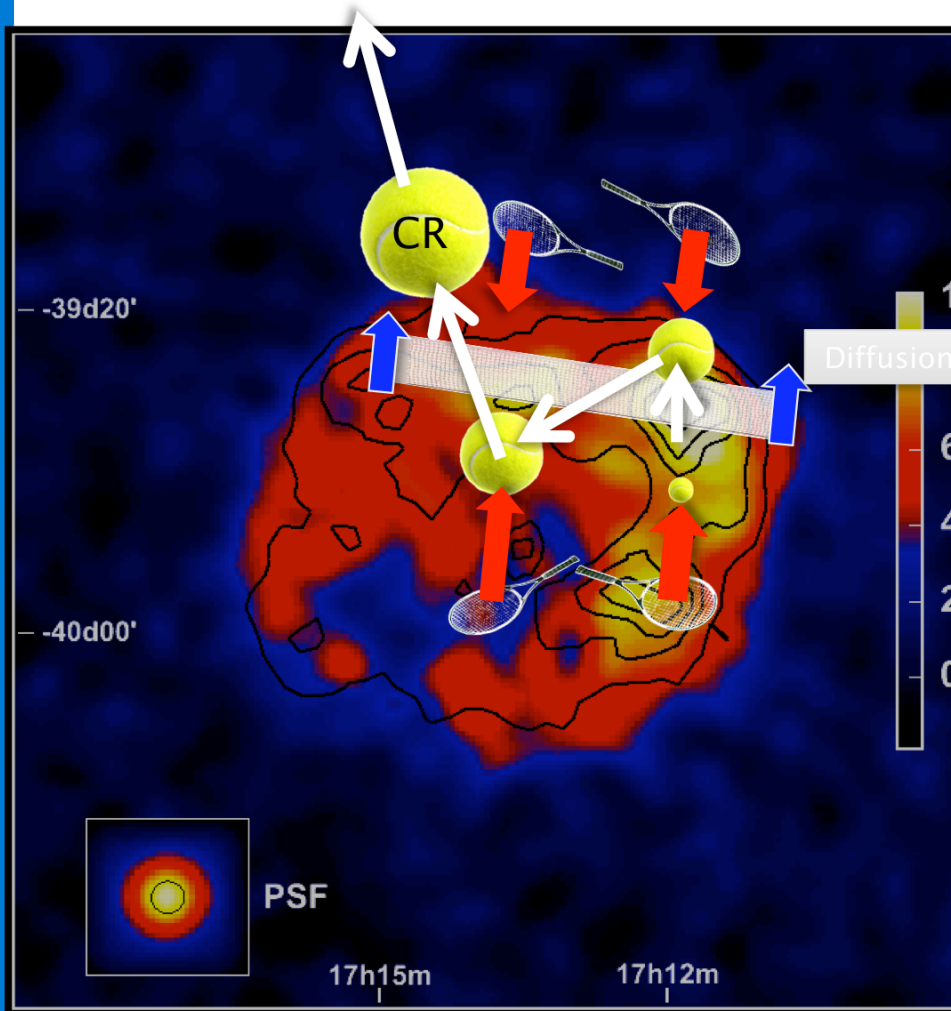
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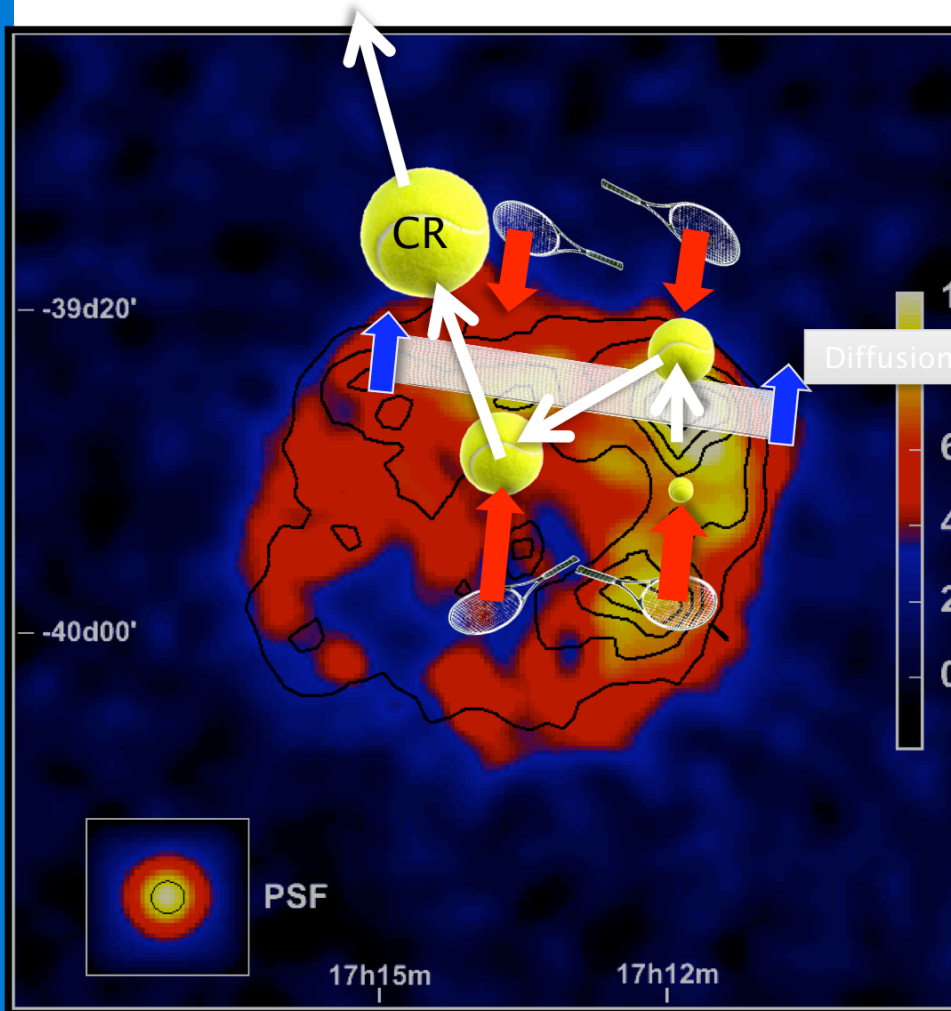
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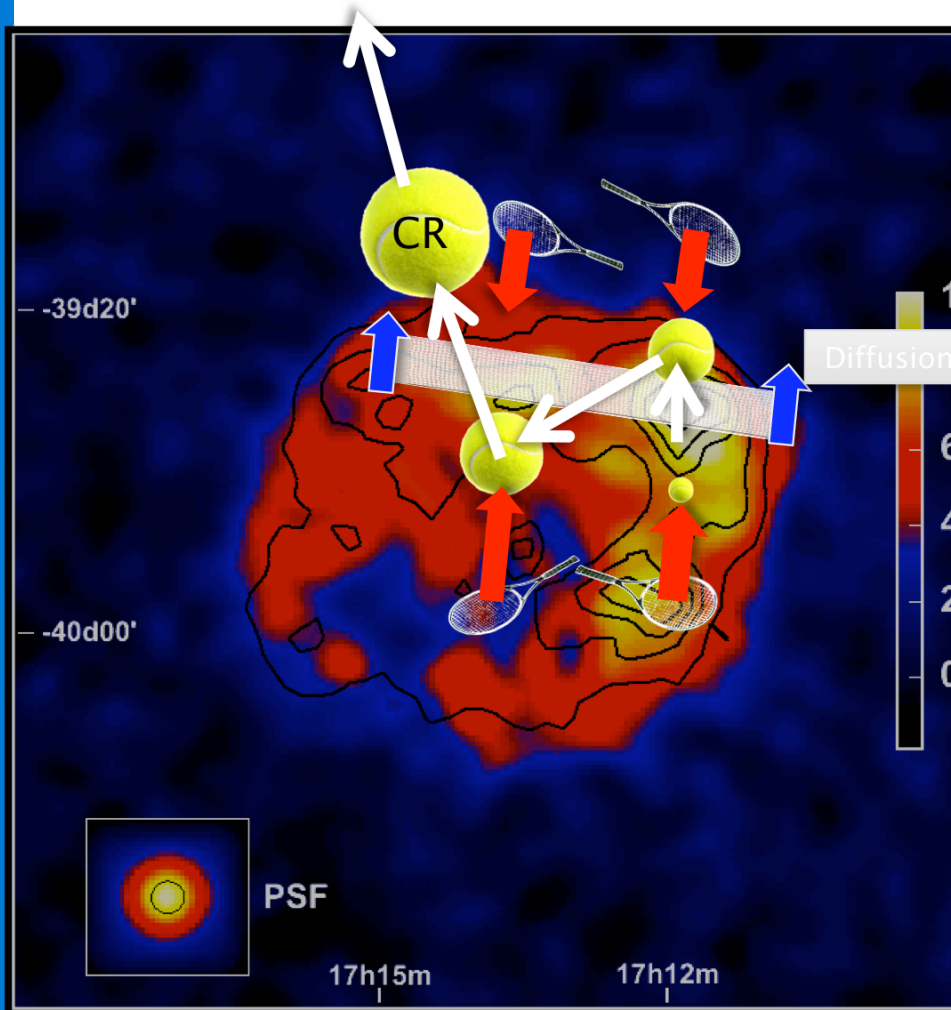
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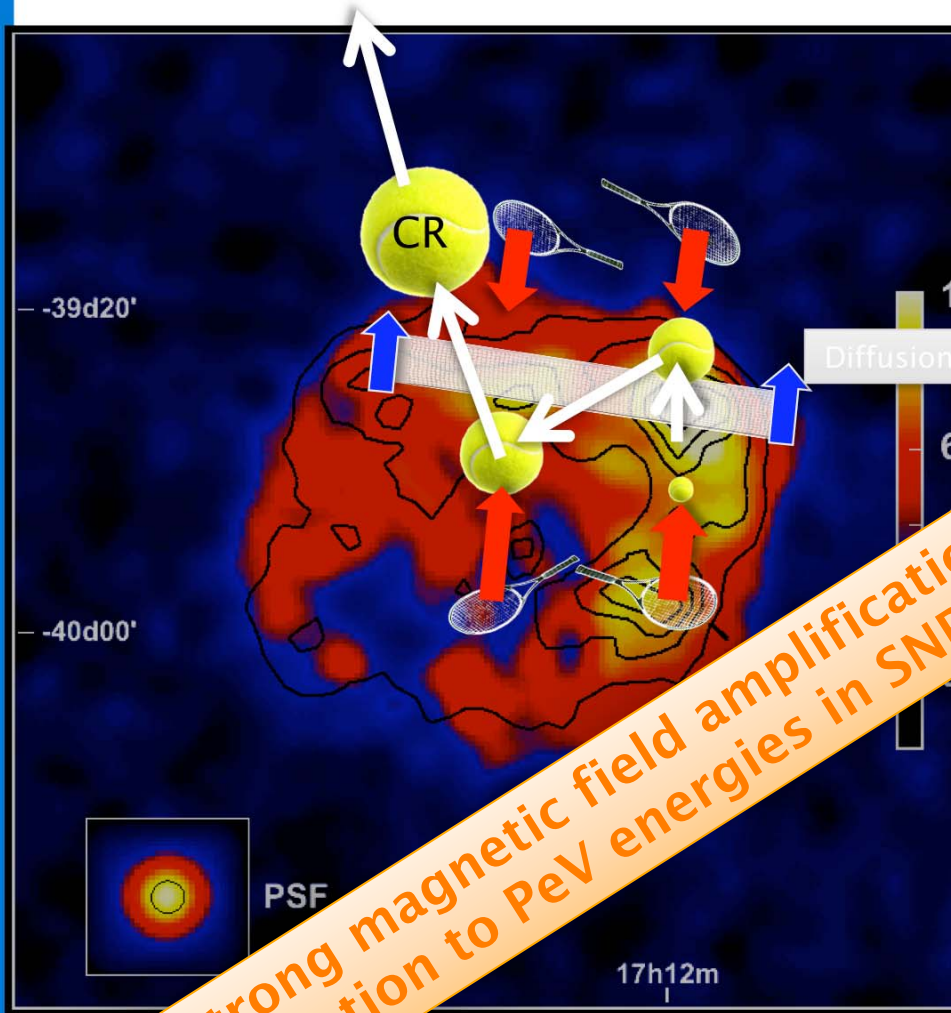
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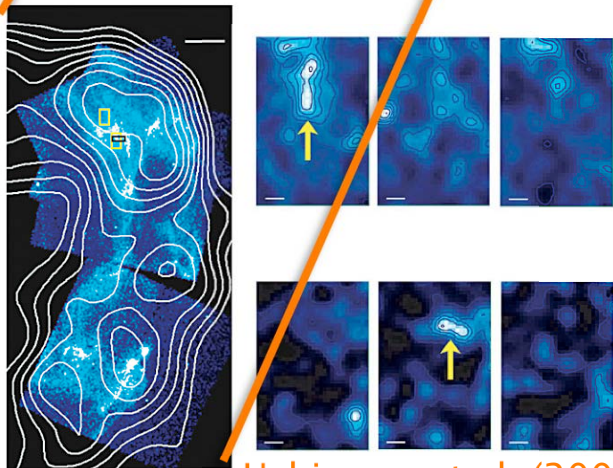
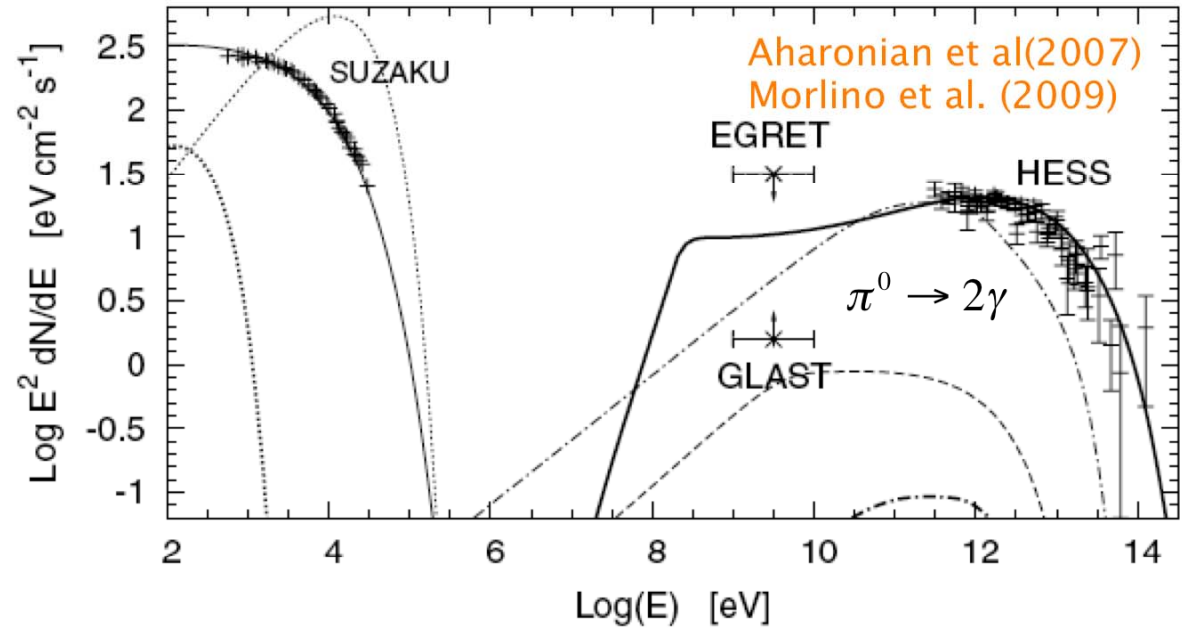
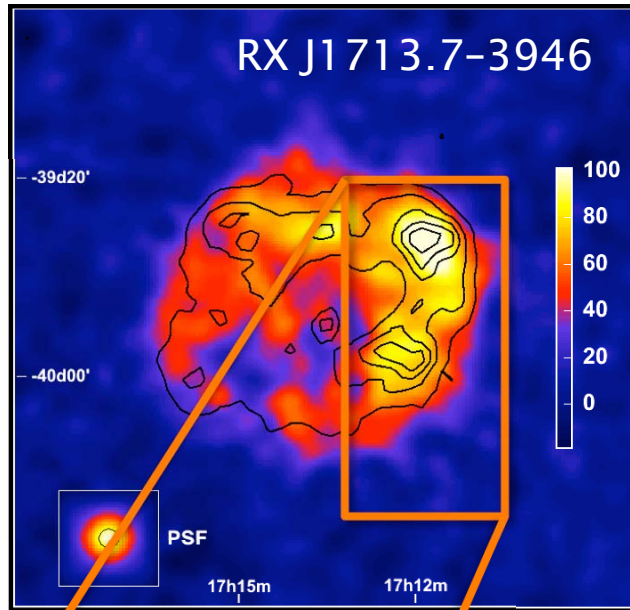
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Cosmic Rays and Supernovae

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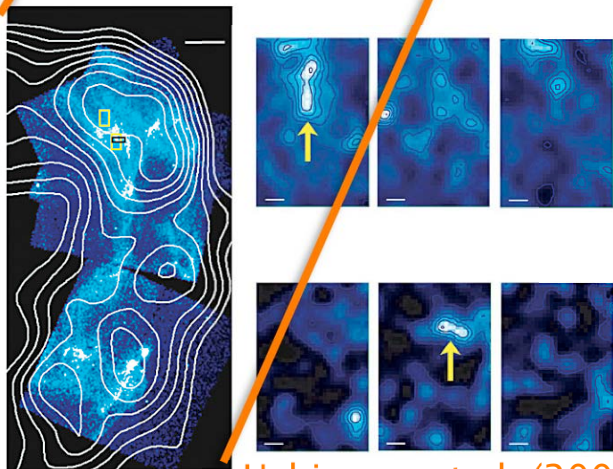
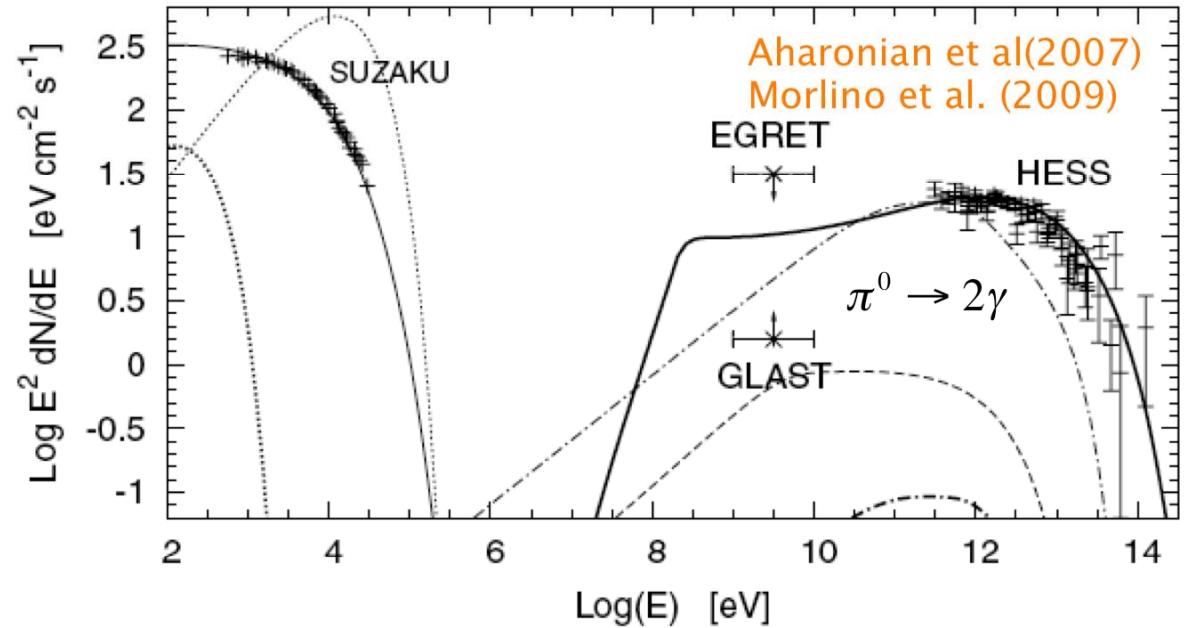
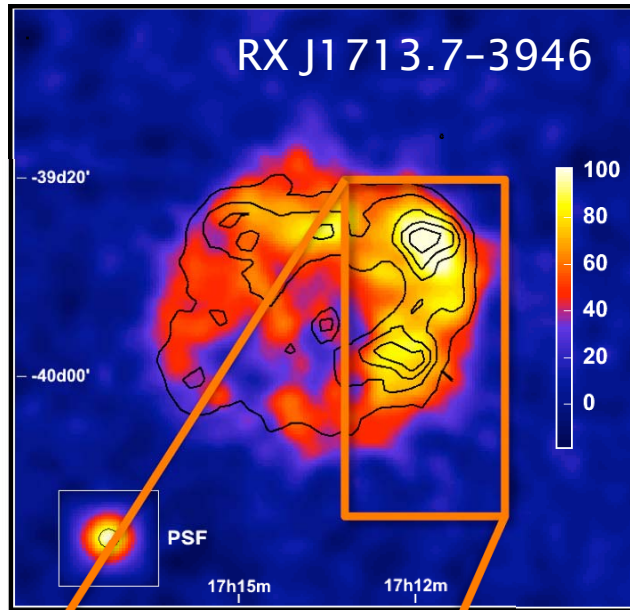
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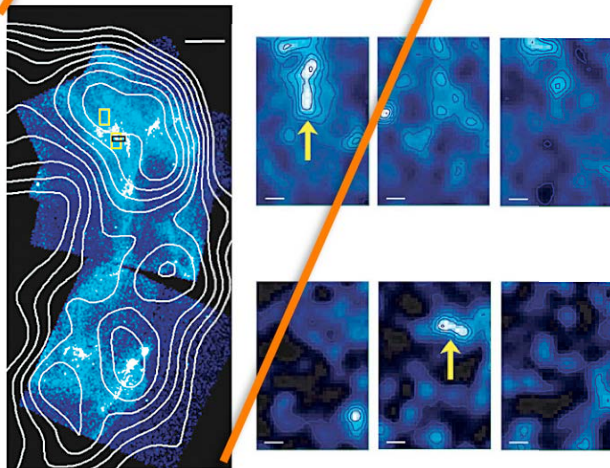
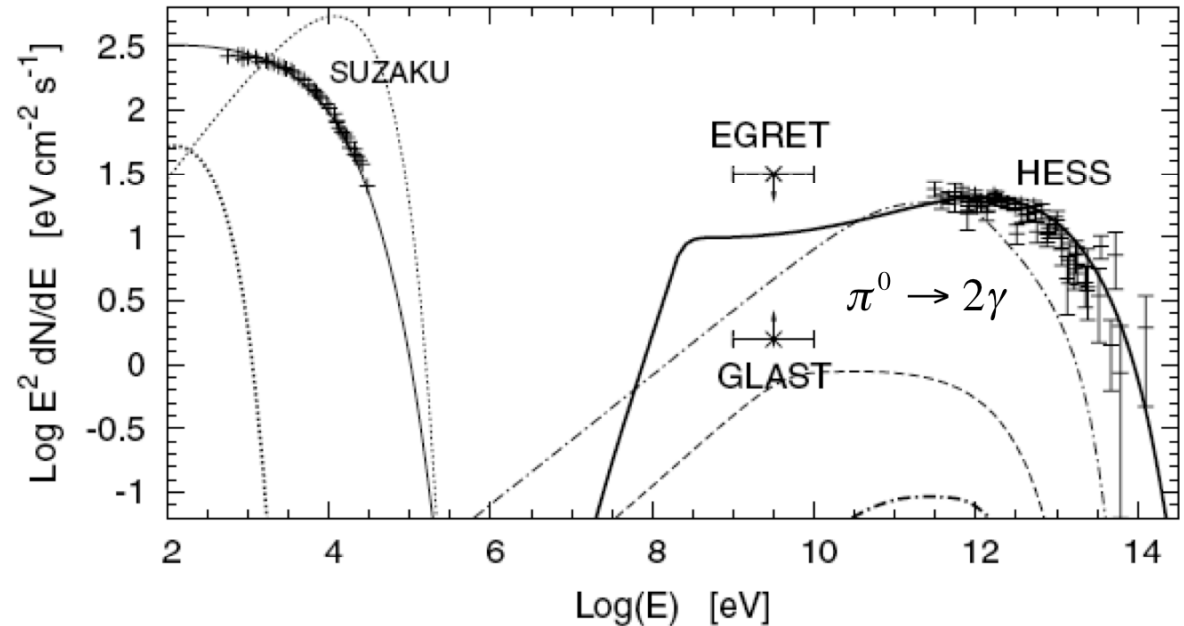
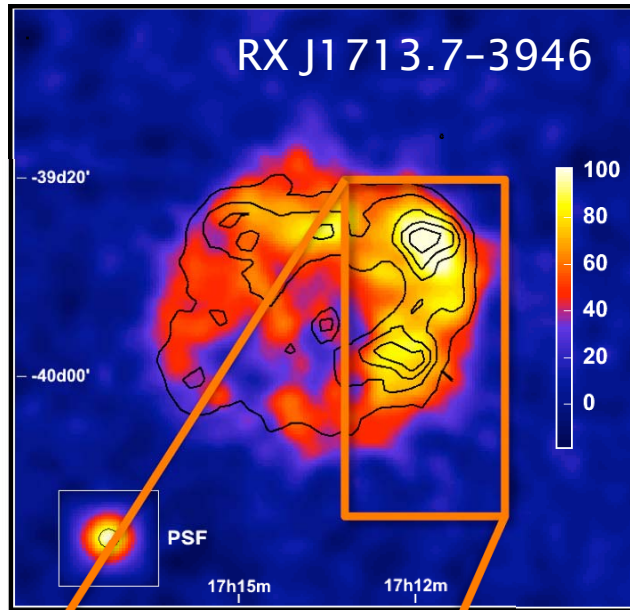
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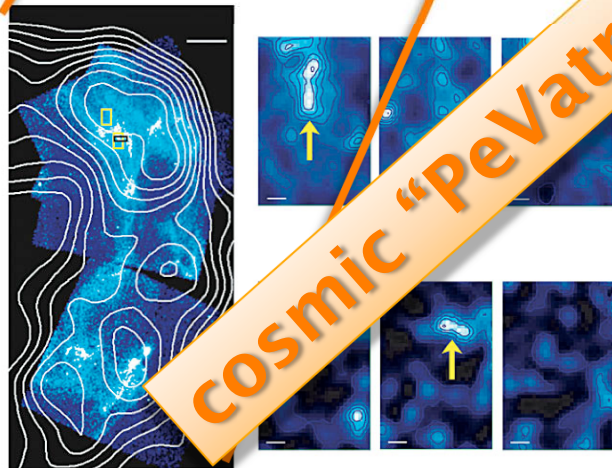
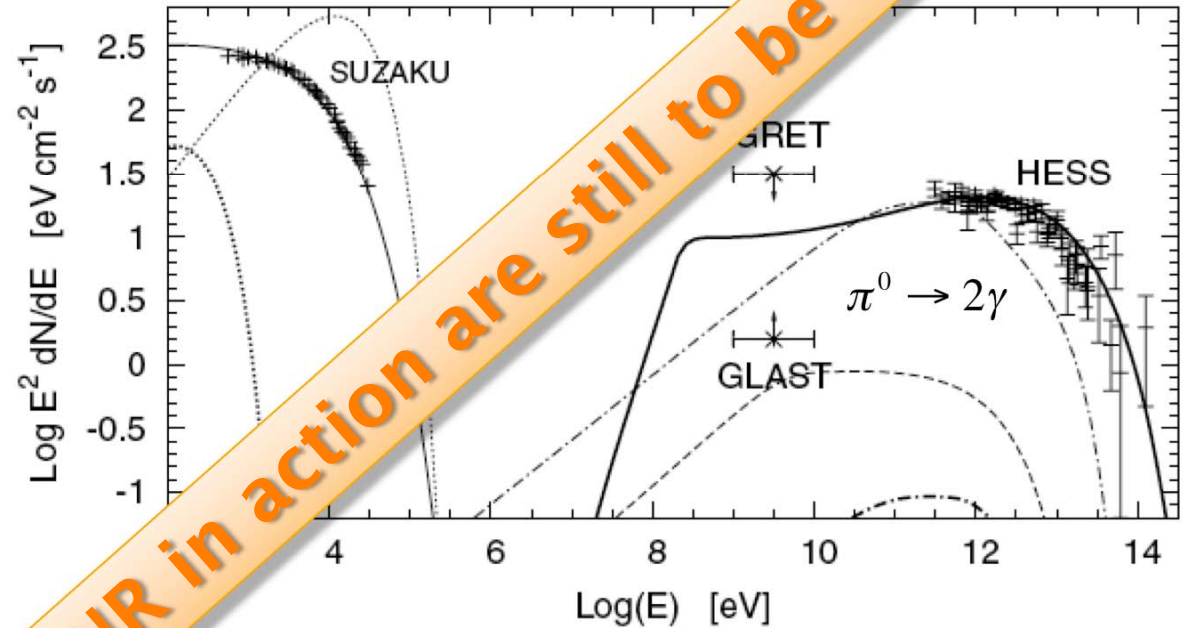
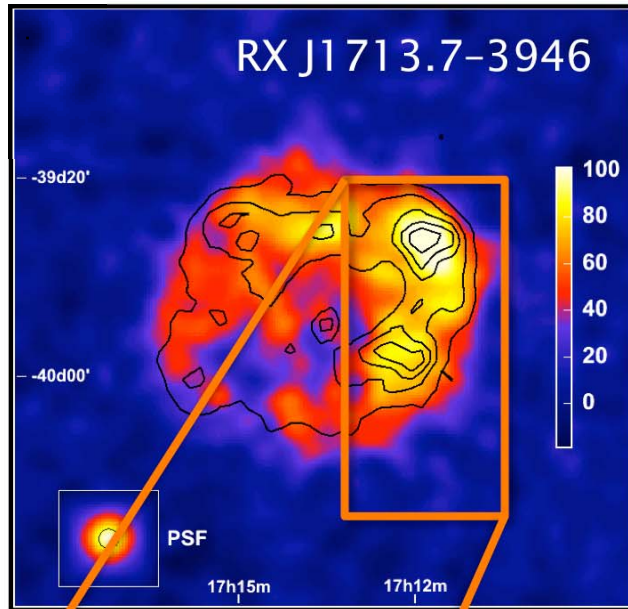


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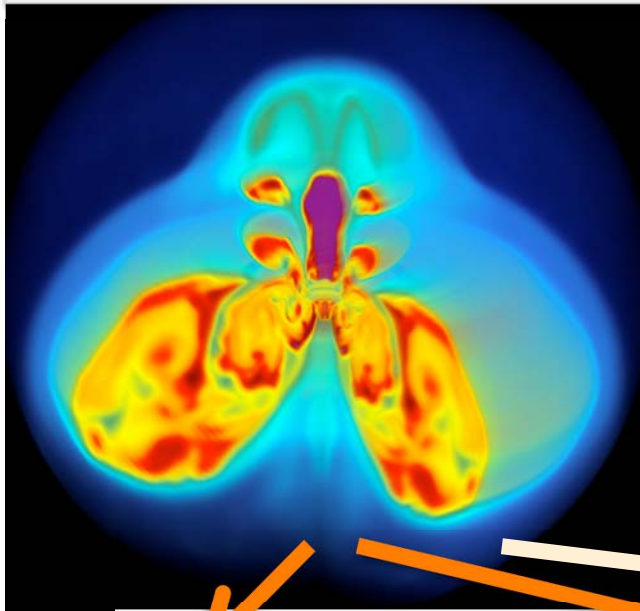


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Supernovae → GRBs, pulsars

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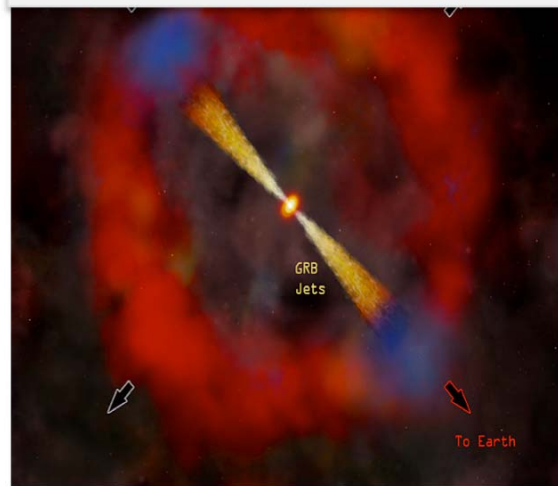
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Highest energy CRs are produced at early stages of SNR evolution...
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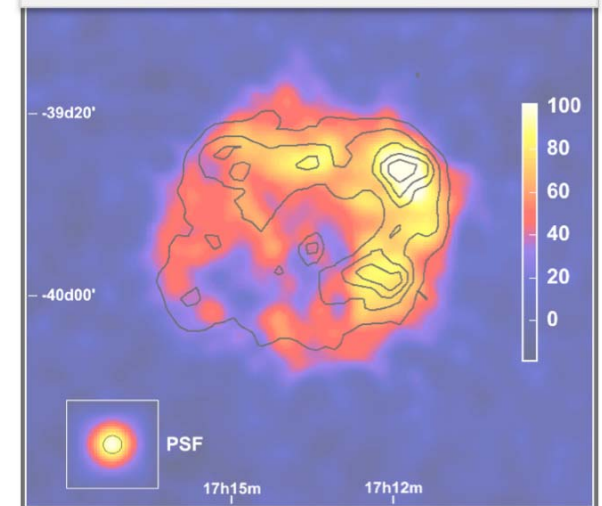
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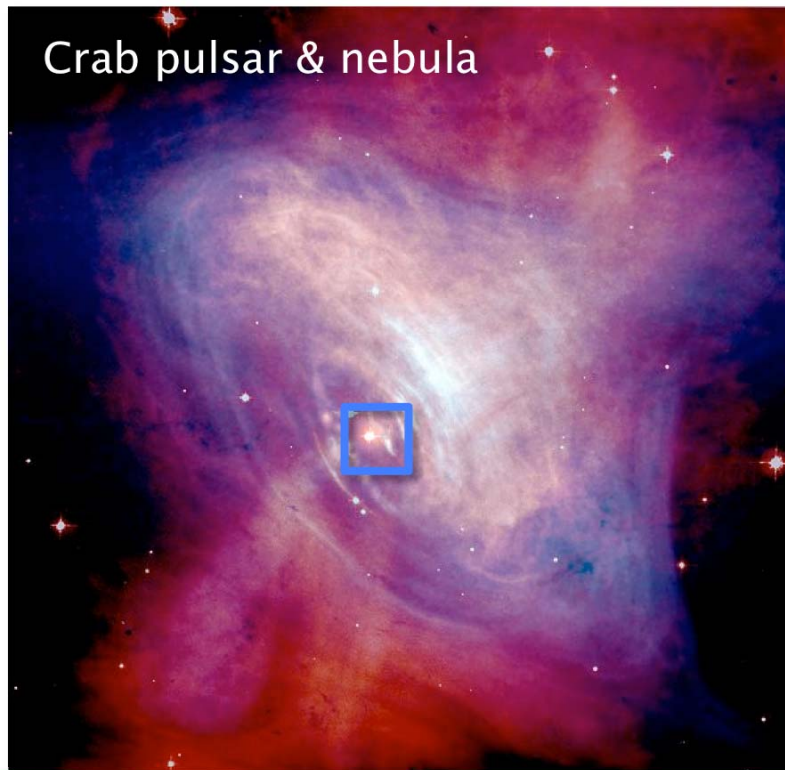
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Particle acceleration in pulsars

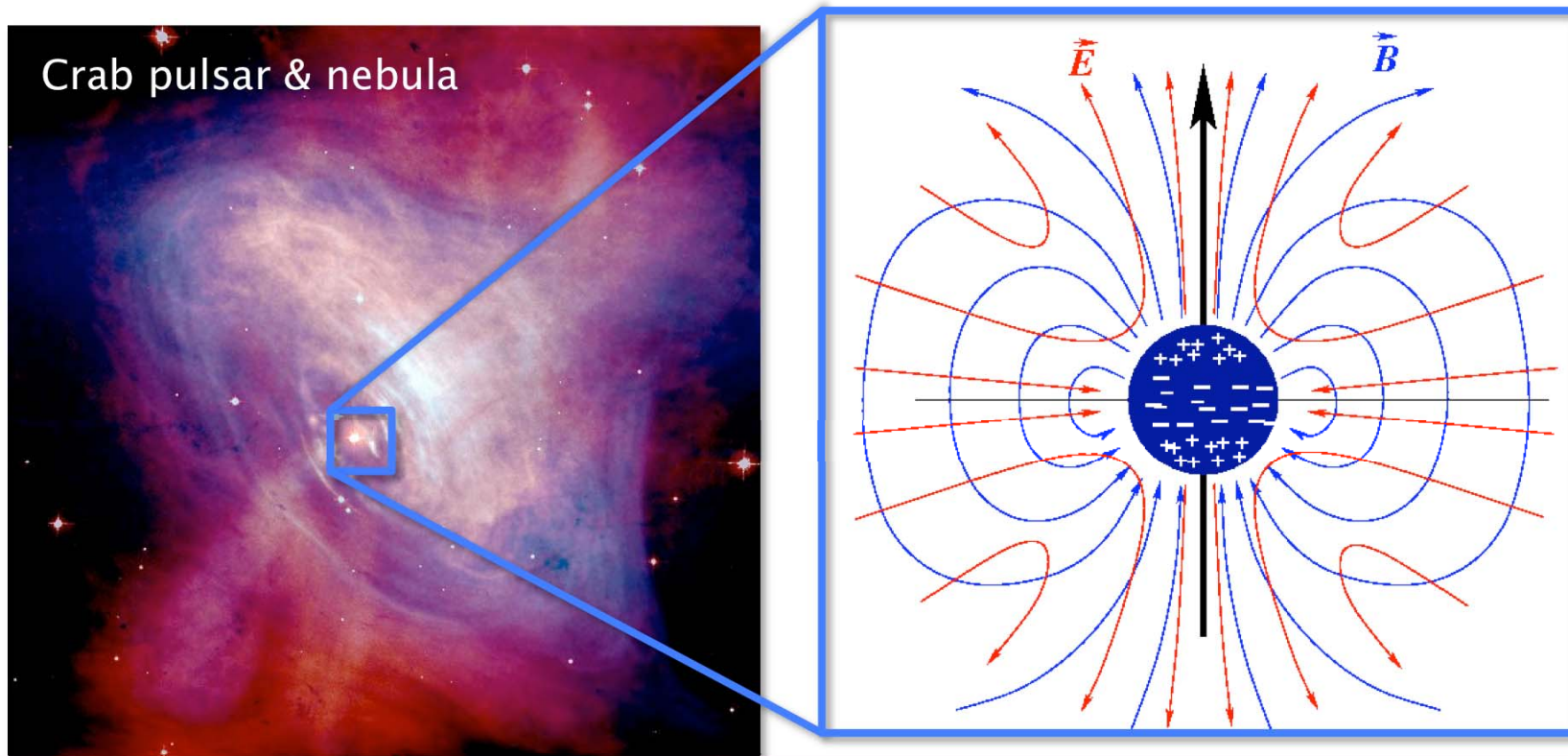


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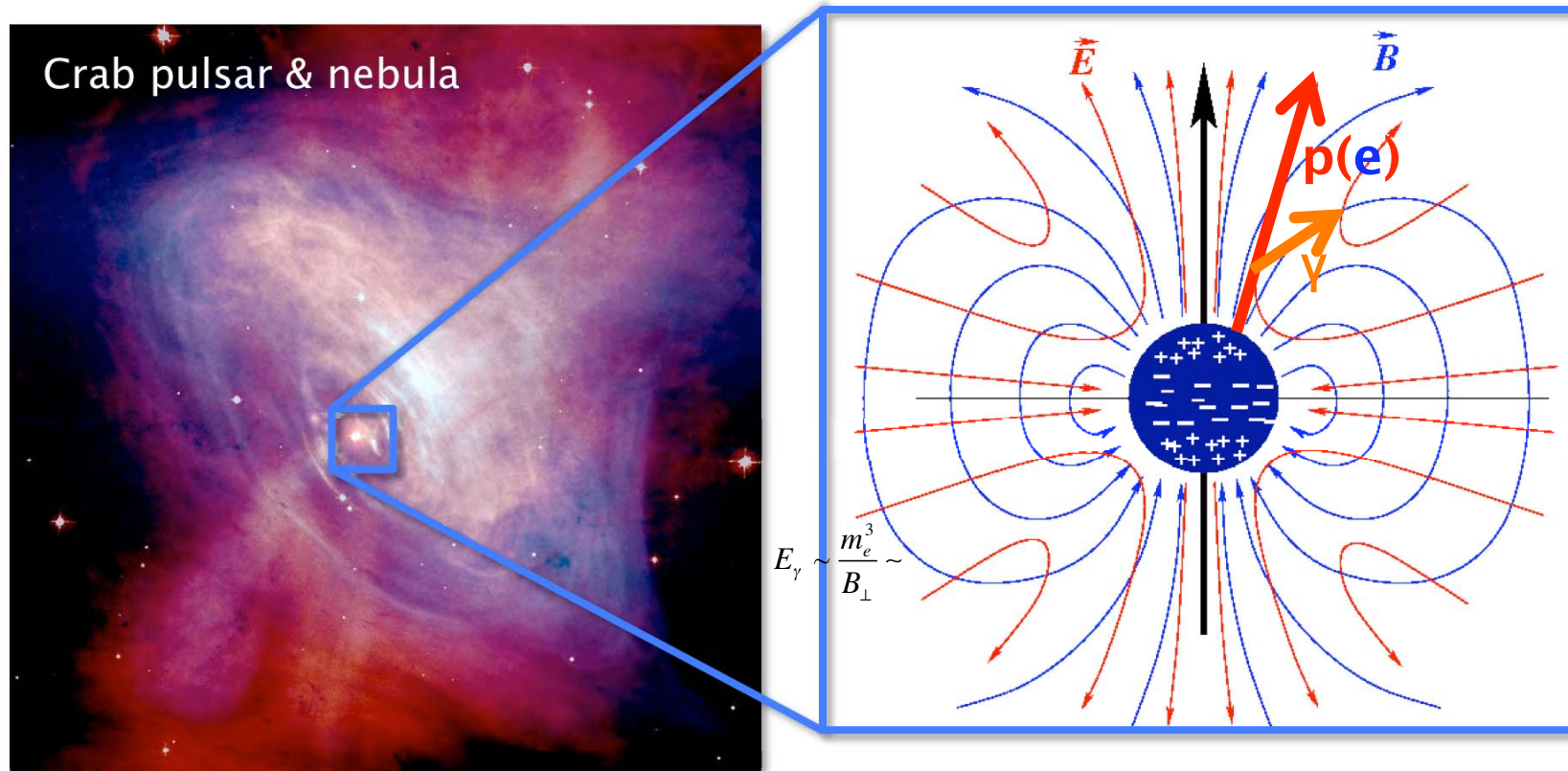
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Ordered electric field induced by the NS rotation can accelerate protons up to energies

$$E \sim e \Omega B R_{NS}^2 \approx 10^{17} \left[\frac{B}{10^{12} \text{ G}} \right] \left[\frac{P}{10 \text{ ms}} \right]^{-1} \text{ eV}$$

$$\Rightarrow \kappa = \Omega R_{NS} \sim 1 \left[\frac{P}{0.2 \text{ ms}} \right]$$

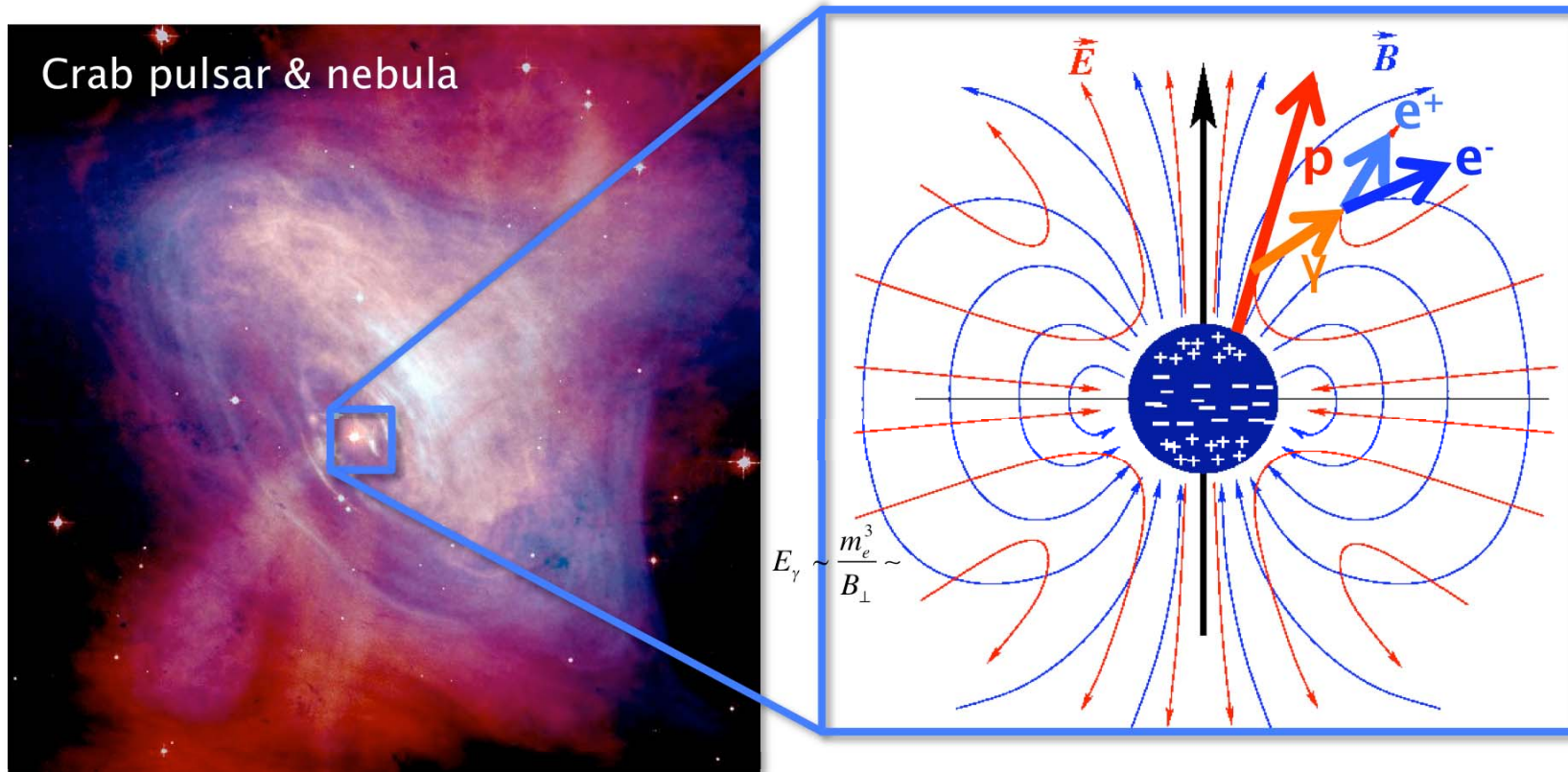
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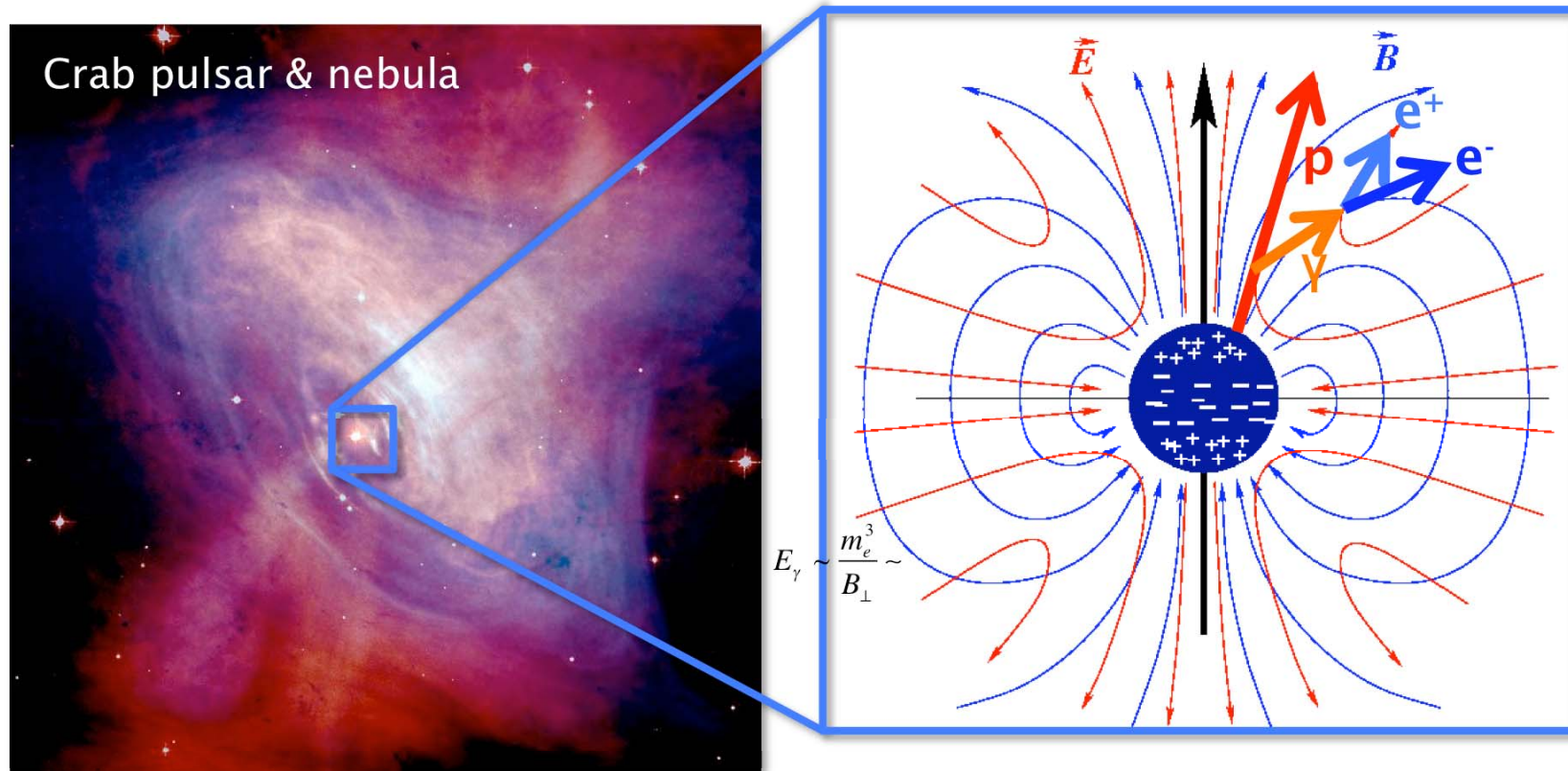
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Problem of pulsar wind formation



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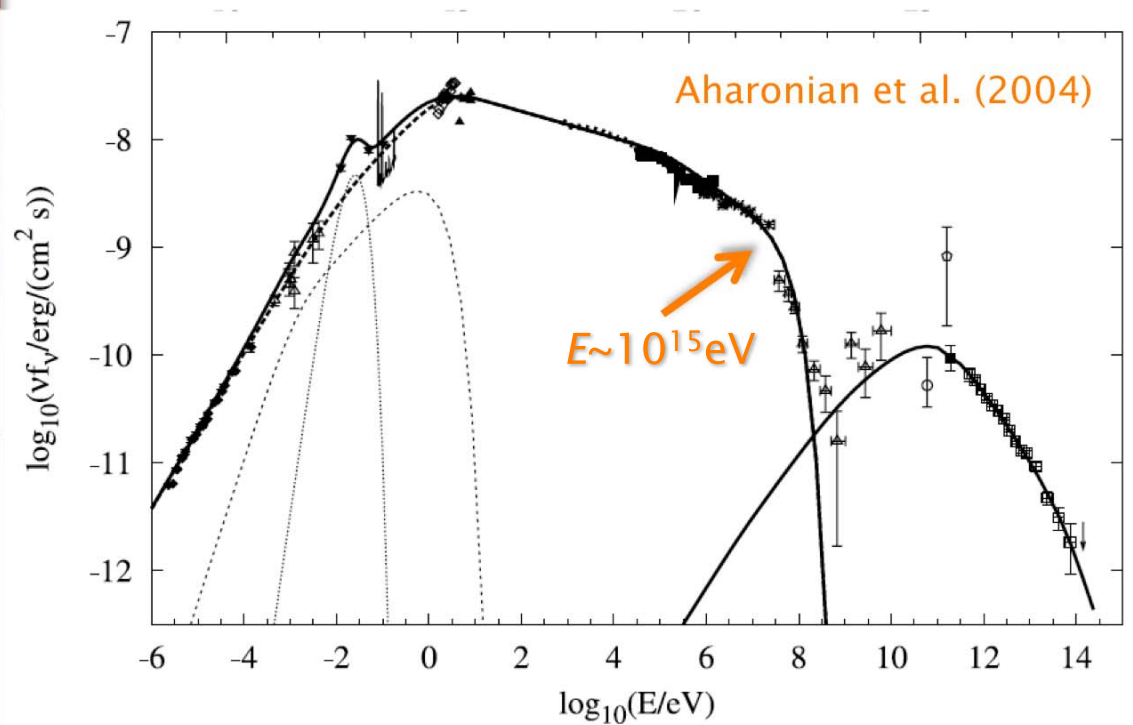
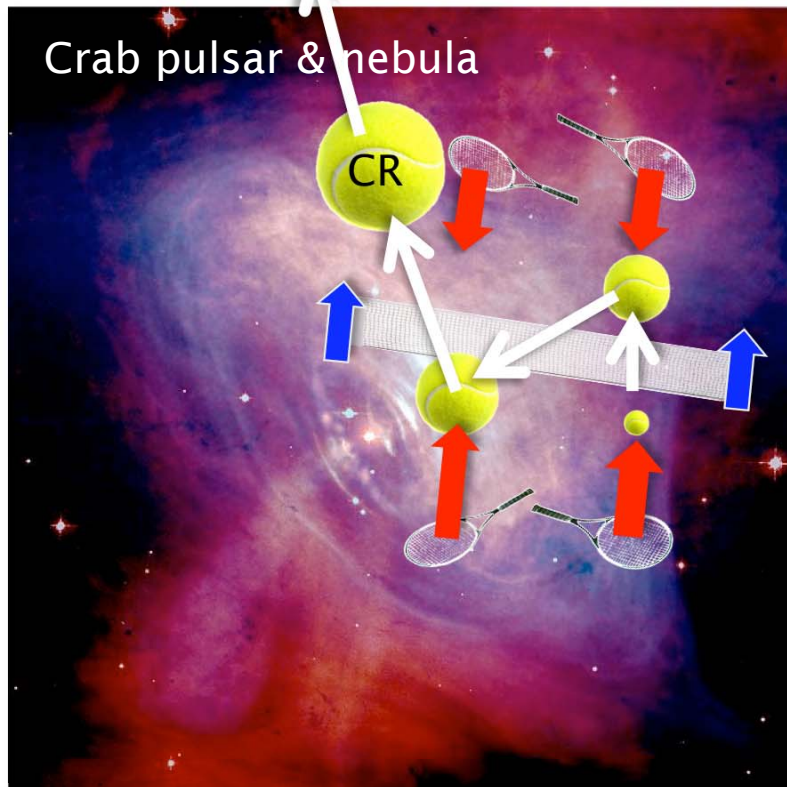
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Neutron star generates a relativistic particle-loaded "wind".
Mechanism of wind formation and its Lorentz factor are uncertain.

... and in pulsar wind nebulae



Particle acceleration to >PeV energies in Crab (nebula and/or parent pulsar) is observed

$$E_{\text{synch}} \approx \frac{eBE^2}{m_e^3} \approx 4 \left[\frac{B}{10^{-4} \text{ G}} \right] \left[\frac{E}{10^{15} \text{ eV}} \right]^2 \text{ MeV}$$

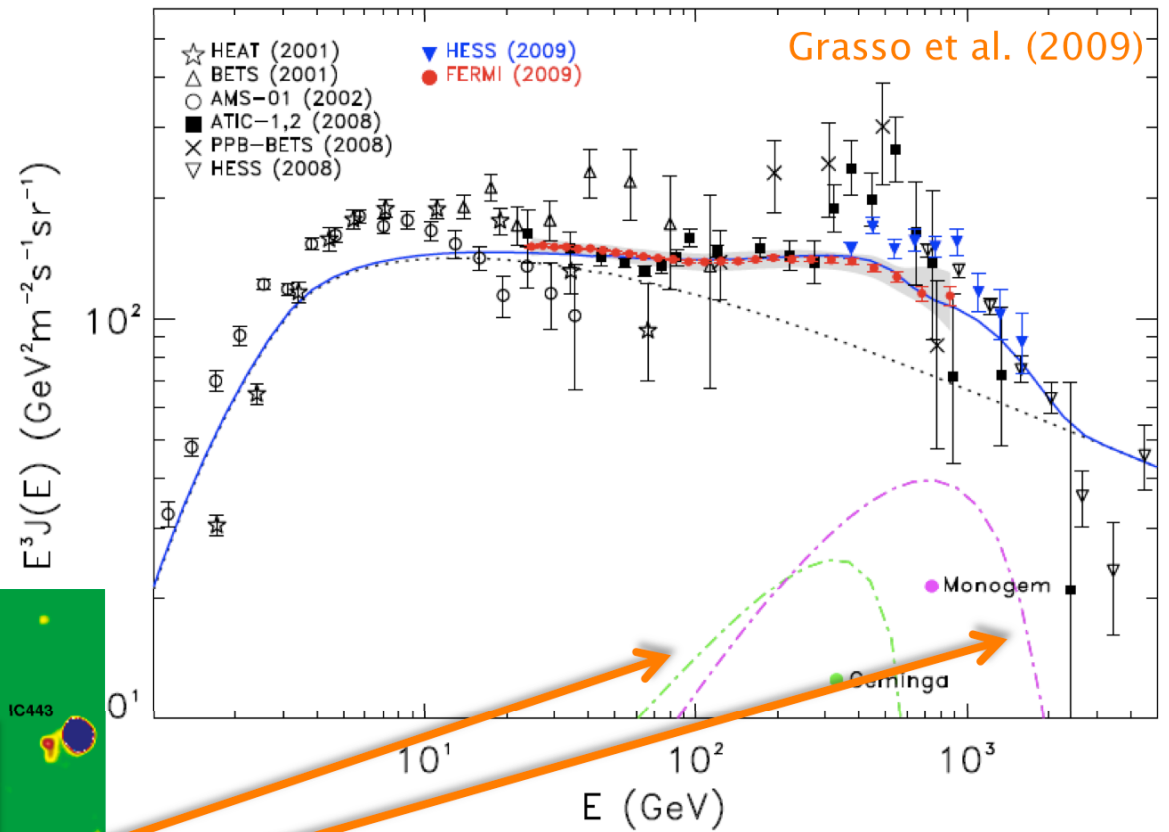
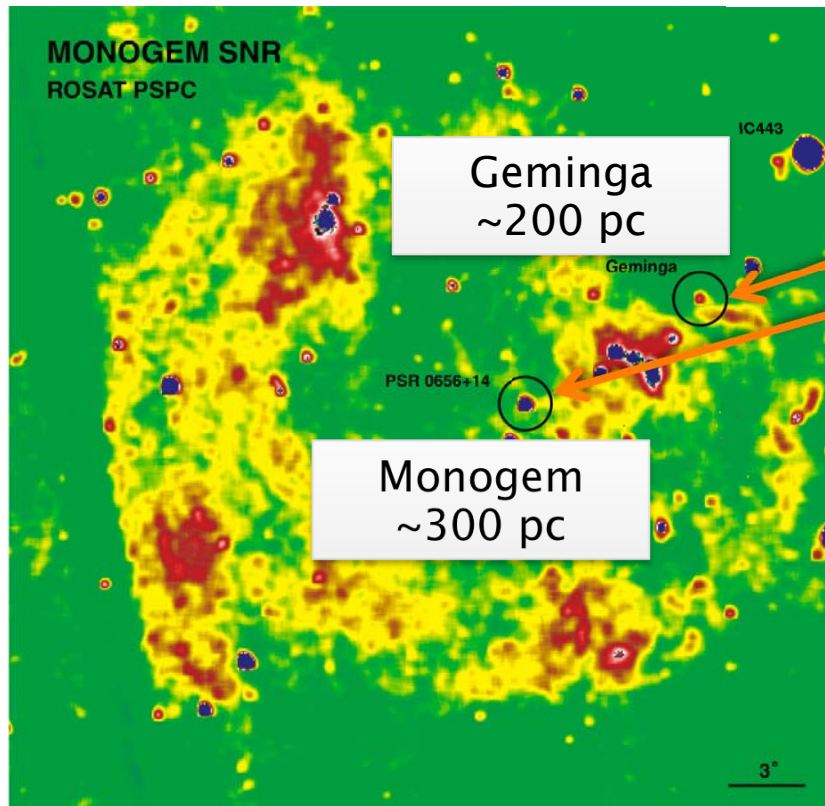
acceleration is

highly efficient: $T_{\text{acc}} \leq T_{\text{escape}} \Rightarrow E < 3 \times 10^{15} \left[\frac{V}{c} \right]^2 \left[\frac{B}{10^{-4} \text{ G}} \right] \left[\frac{R_{\text{shock}}}{10^{17} \text{ cm}} \right] \text{ eV}$

PWNe (and/or their parent pulsars) are “confirmed PeVatrons”

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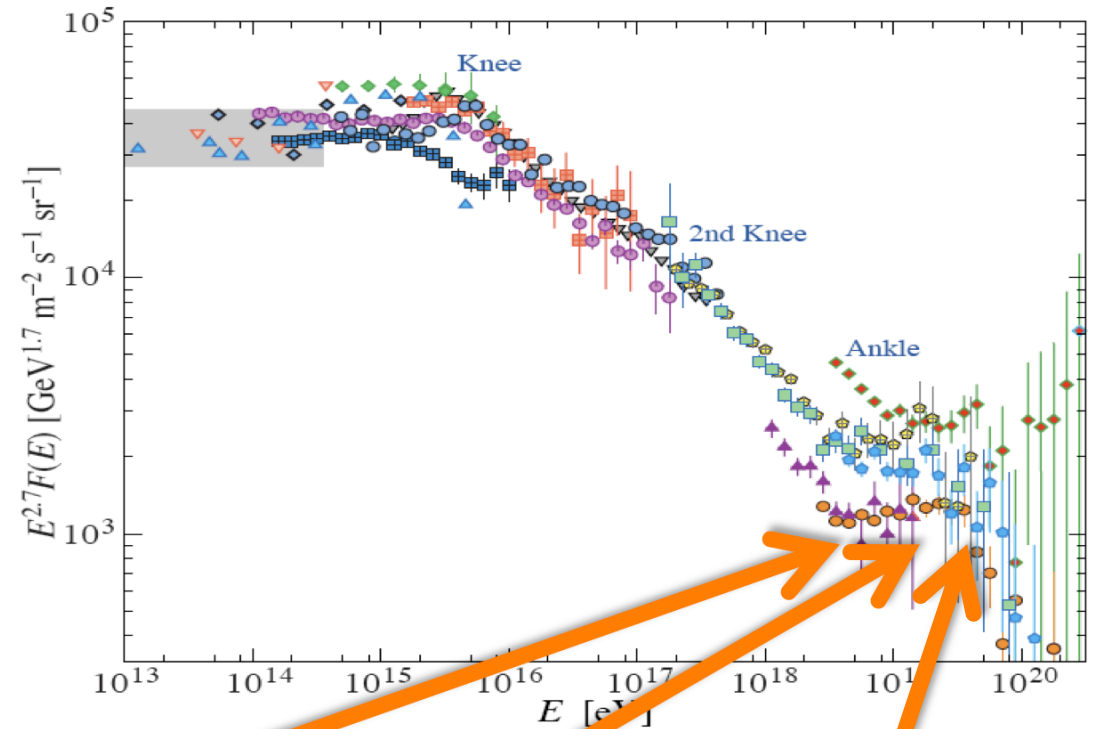
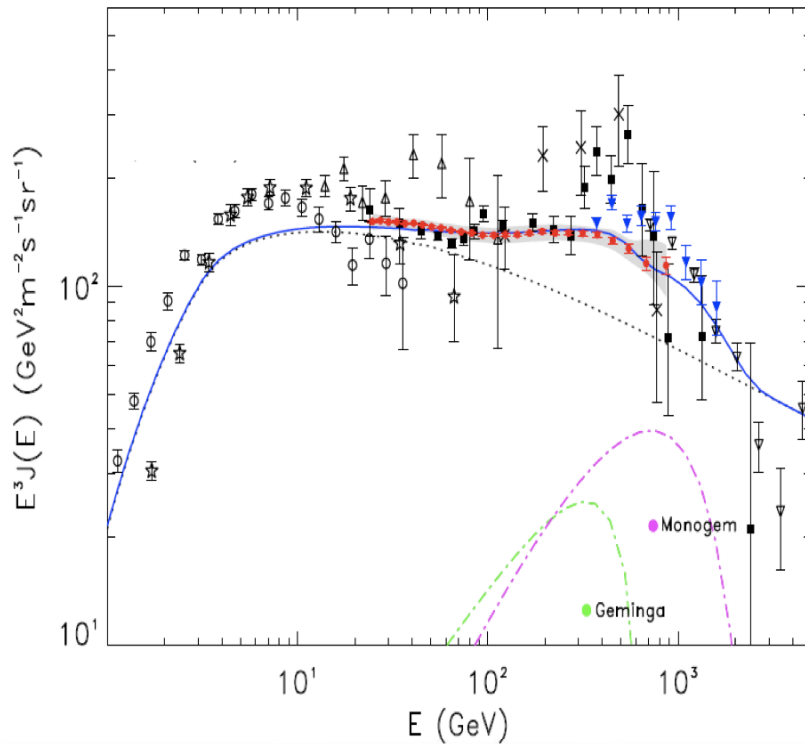
CR electron sources



Nearby pulsars/PWNe could be responsible for the highest energy cosmic ray electrons

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High-energy astrophysics → CR physics



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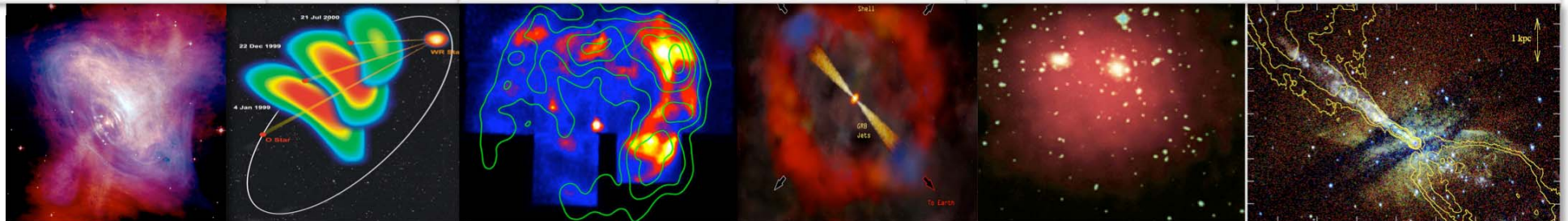
Binaries

SNR

GRBs

Galaxy clusters

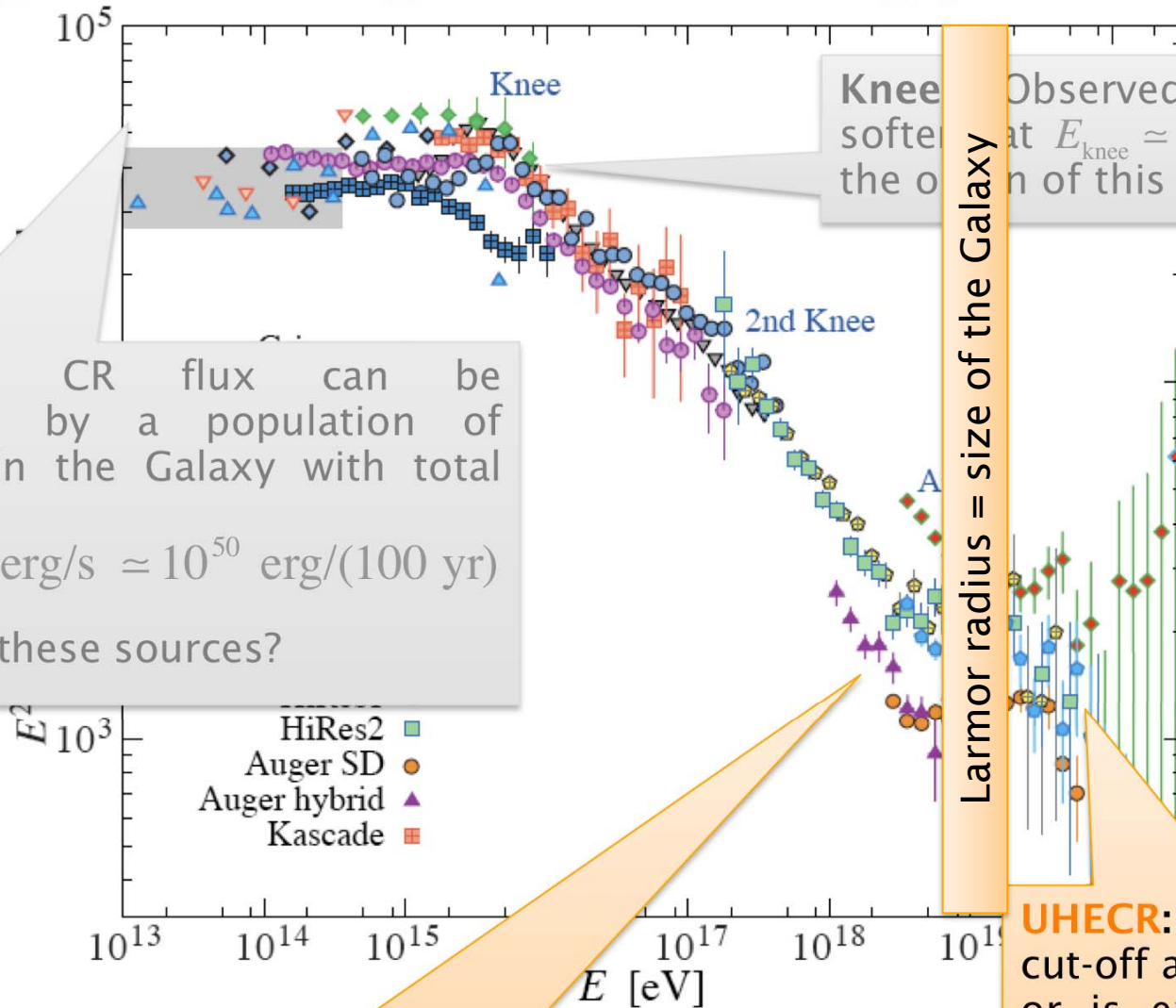
AGN



Radio, X-ray and γ -ray emission, observed from several classes of astronomical objects, is produced by particles accelerated to $E \gg m$

→ CR source “candidates” list is well-known

Origin of highest energy cosmic rays



Observed CR flux can be produced by a population of sources in the Galaxy with total power
 $L \approx 10^{40} \text{ erg/s} \approx 10^{50} \text{ erg/(100 yr)}$
 What are these sources?

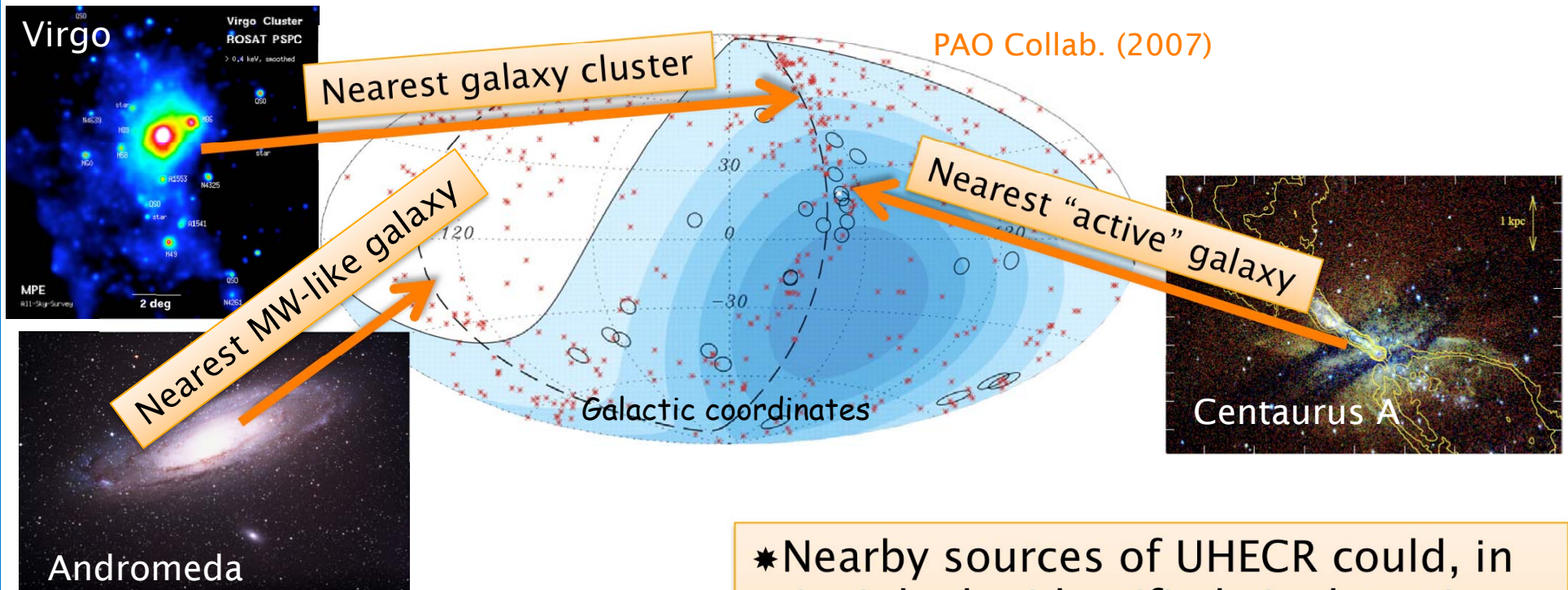
Knee: Observed CR spectrum softens at $E_{\text{knee}} \approx 10^{15} \text{ eV}$. What is the origin of this spectral feature?

Larmor radius = size of the Galaxy

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UHECR: Is the spectrum cut-off at $E_{\text{UHECR}} \approx 10^{20} \text{ eV}$ or is extends to higher energies? What is the origin of the spectral feature? What are the sources of UHECR?

Nearby UHECR sources?

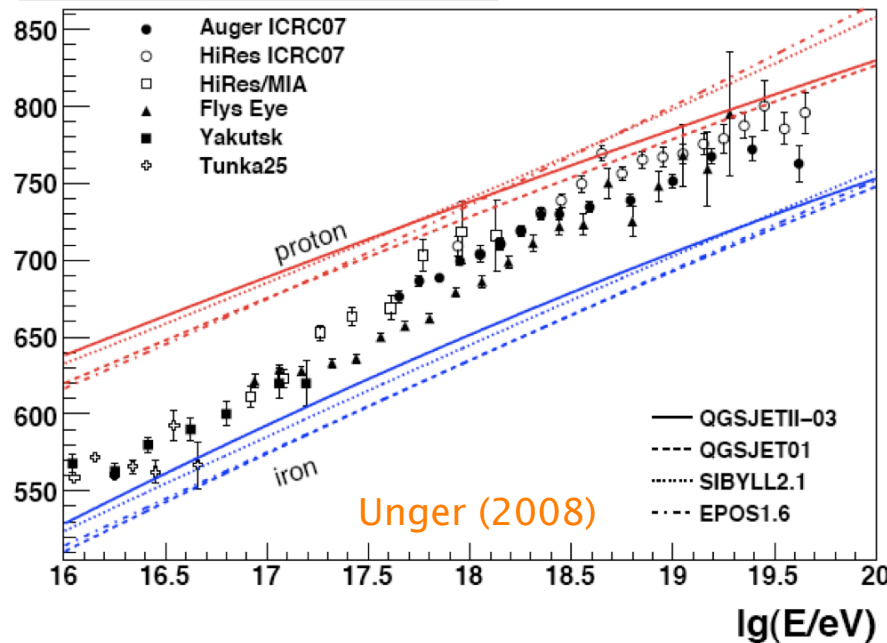
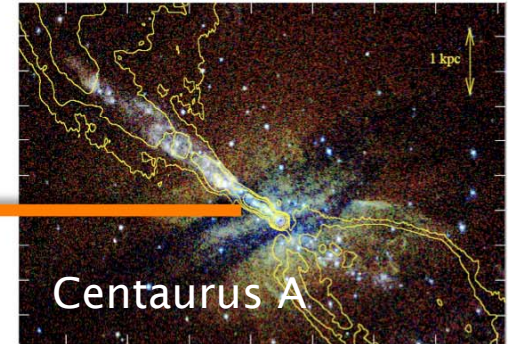
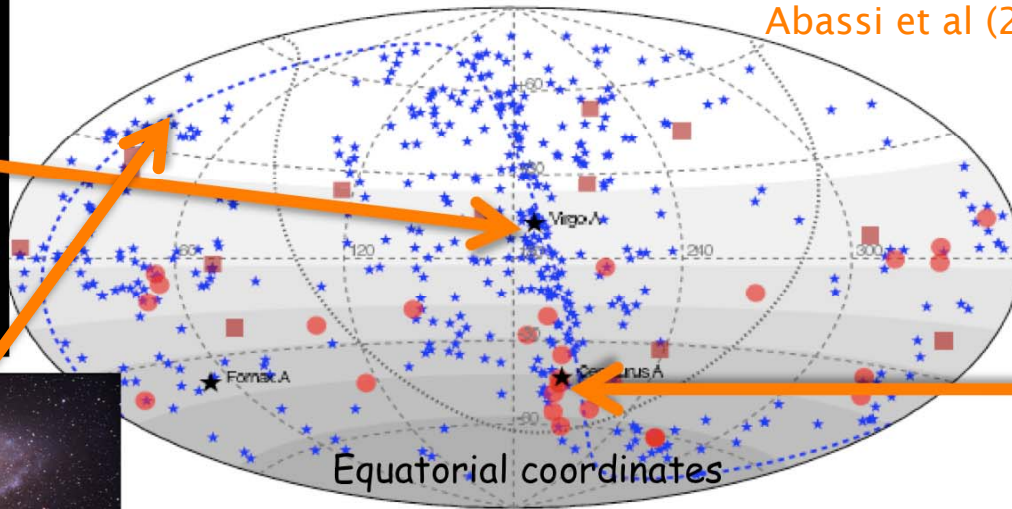
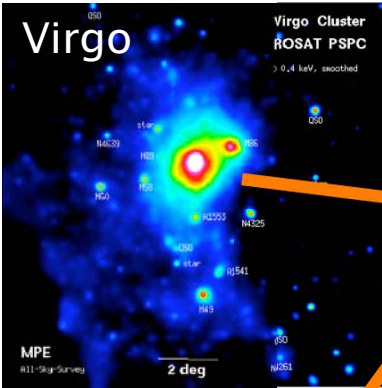


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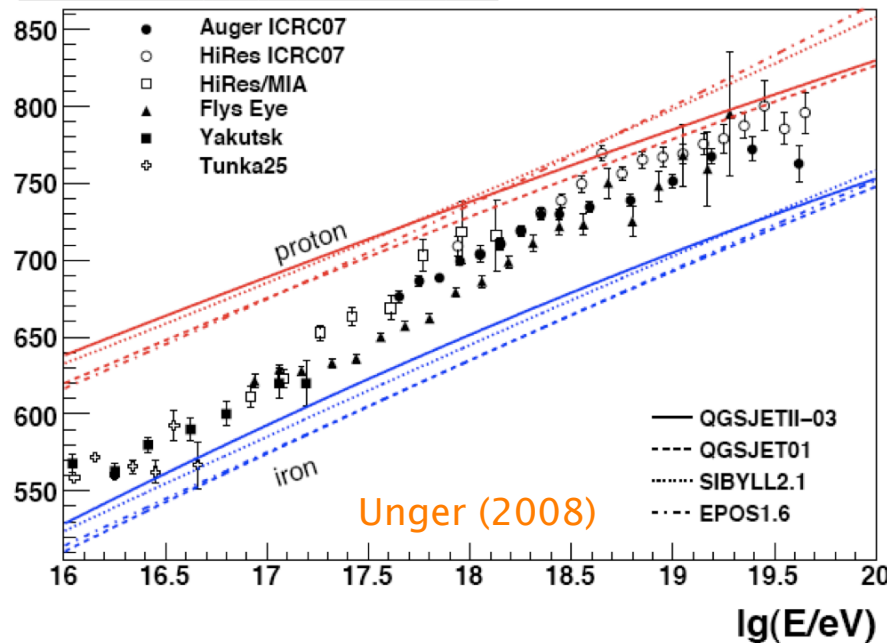
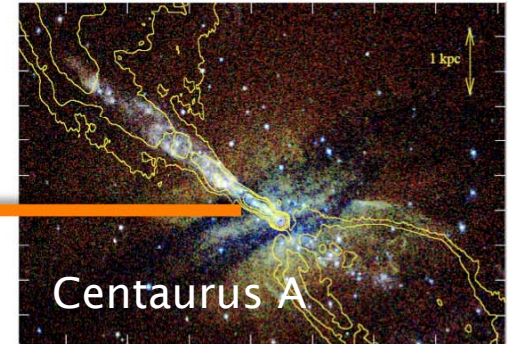
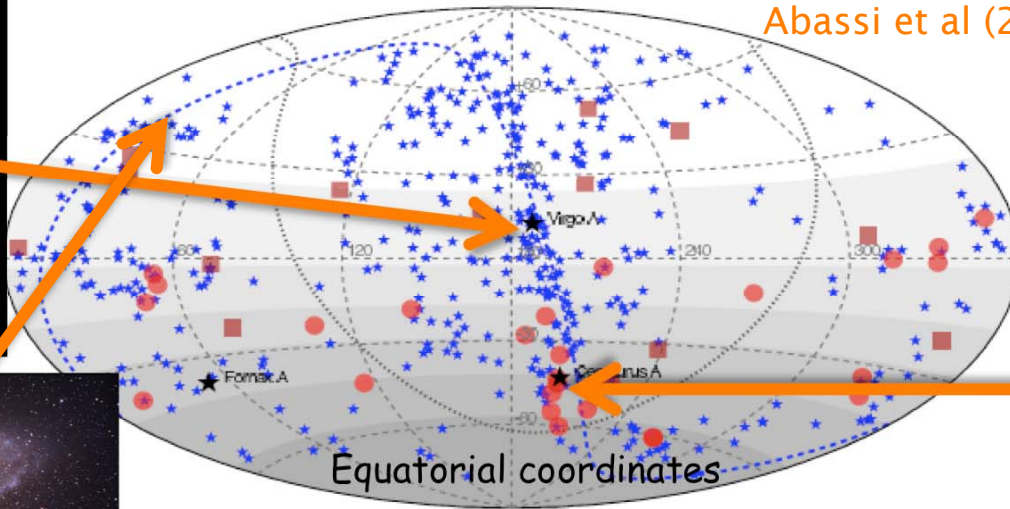
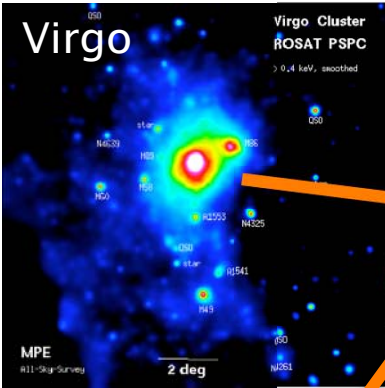


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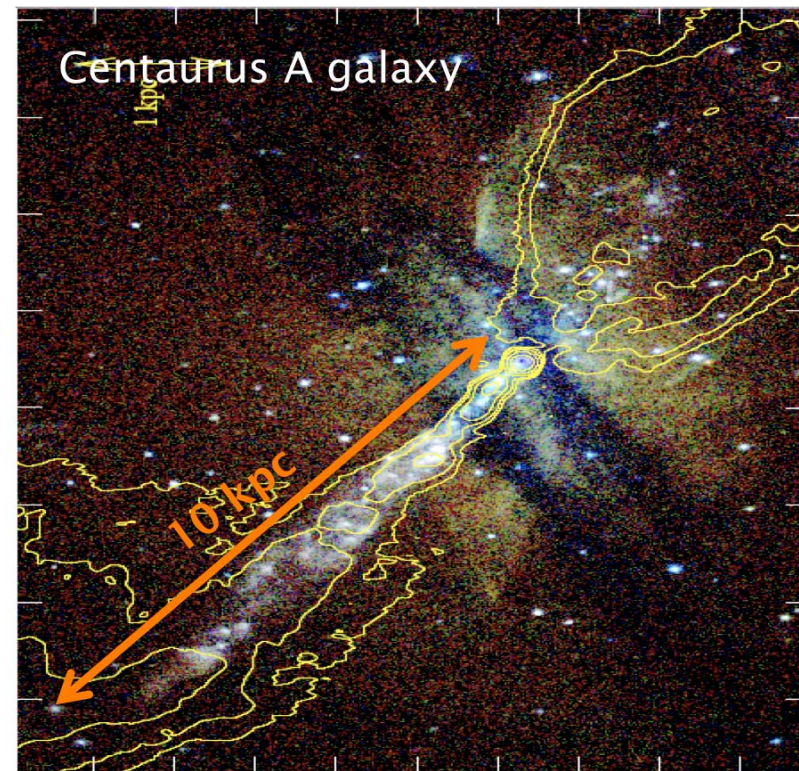
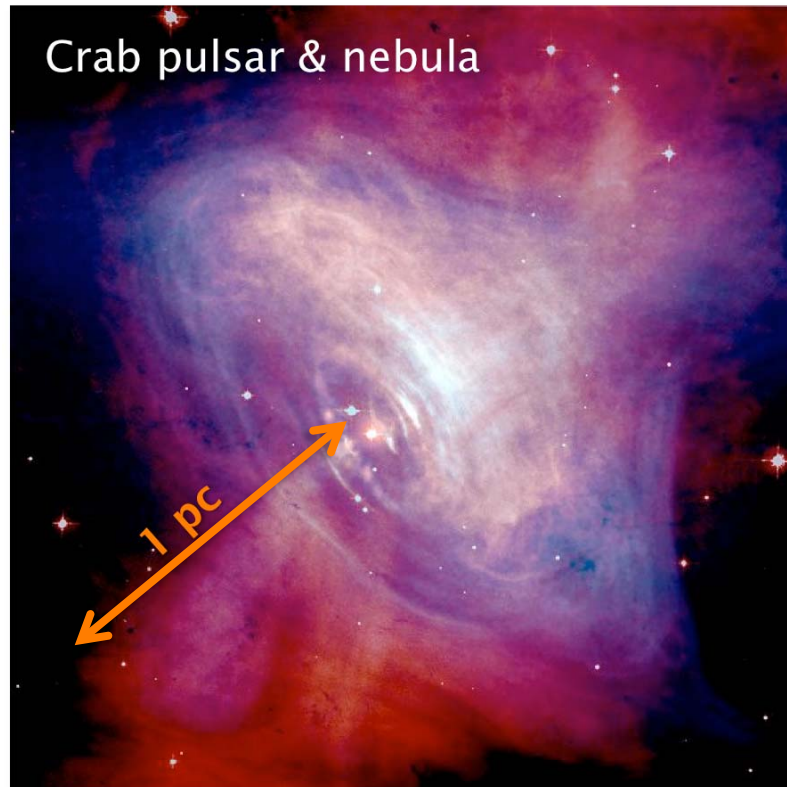
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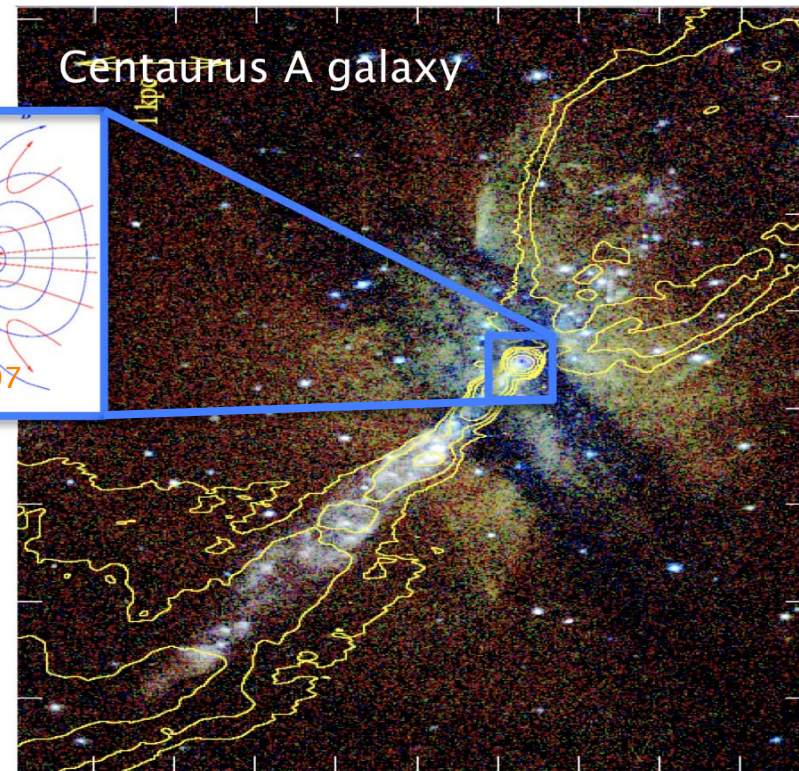
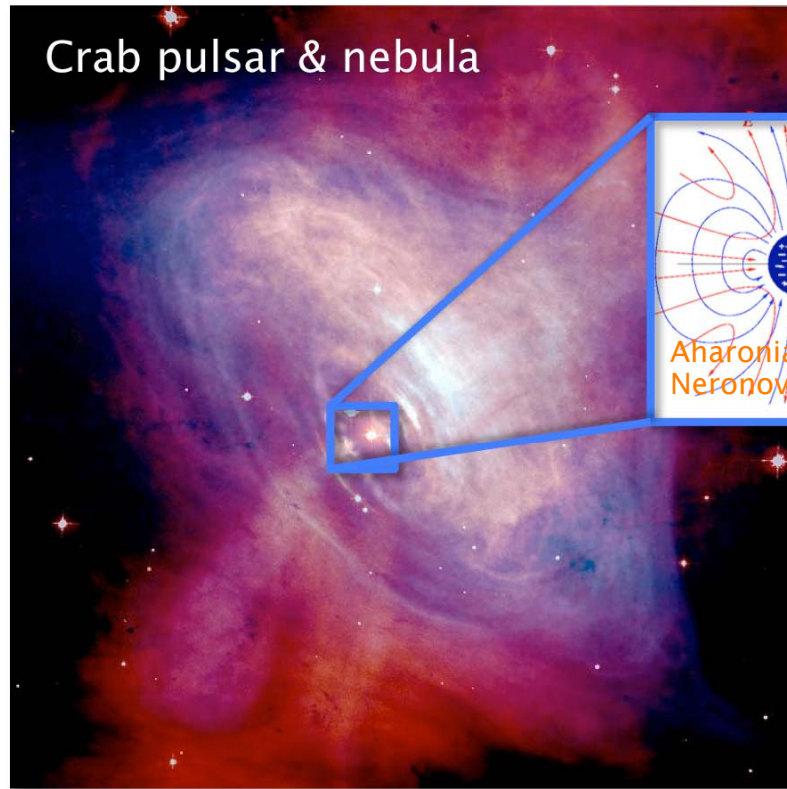
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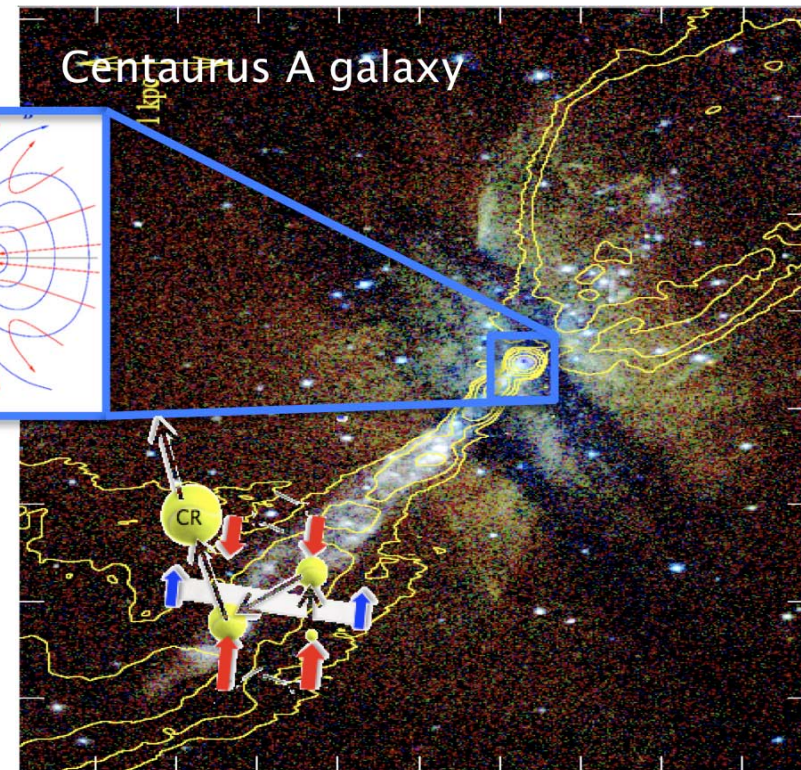
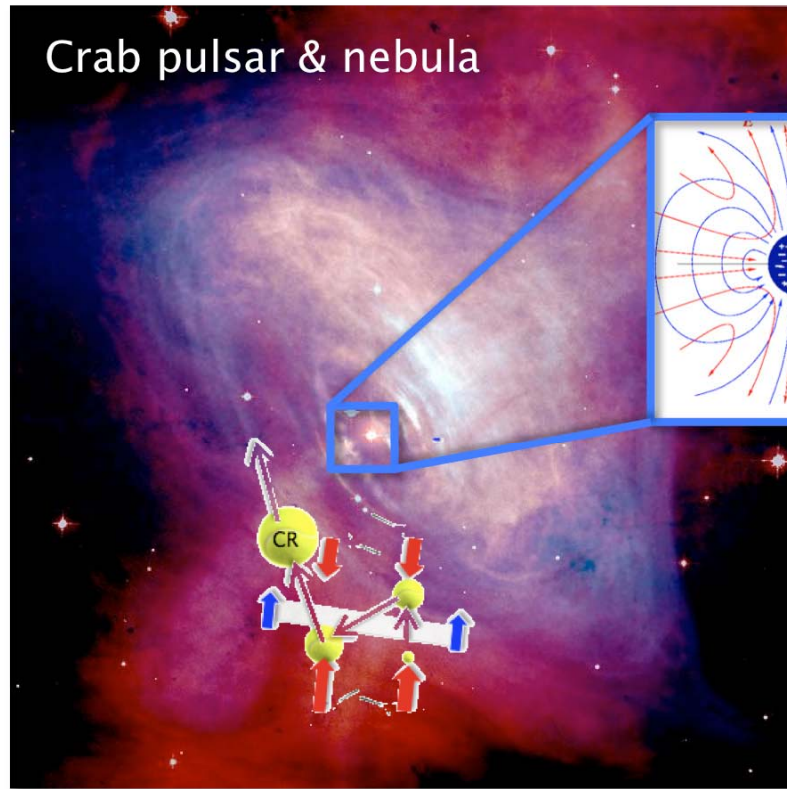
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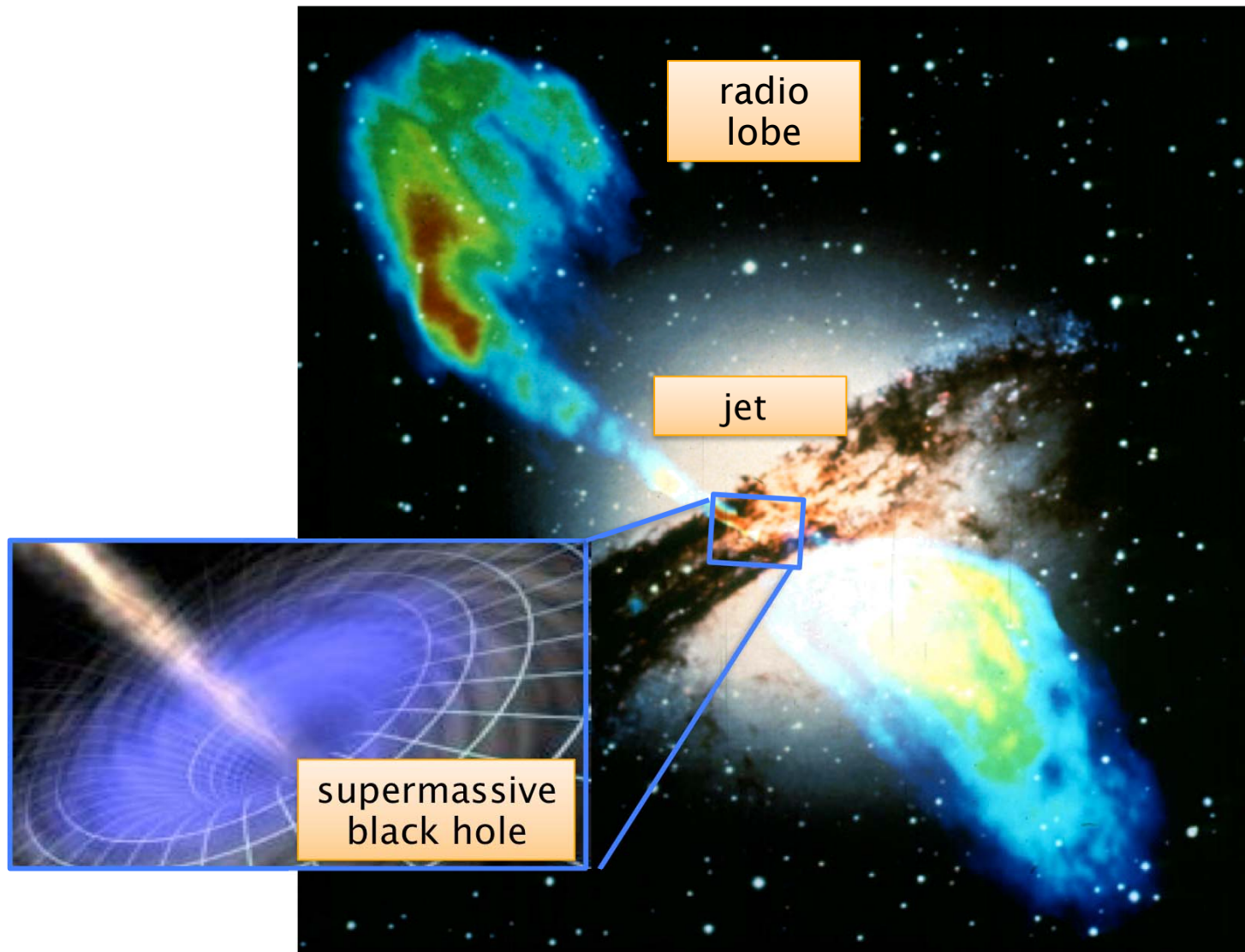


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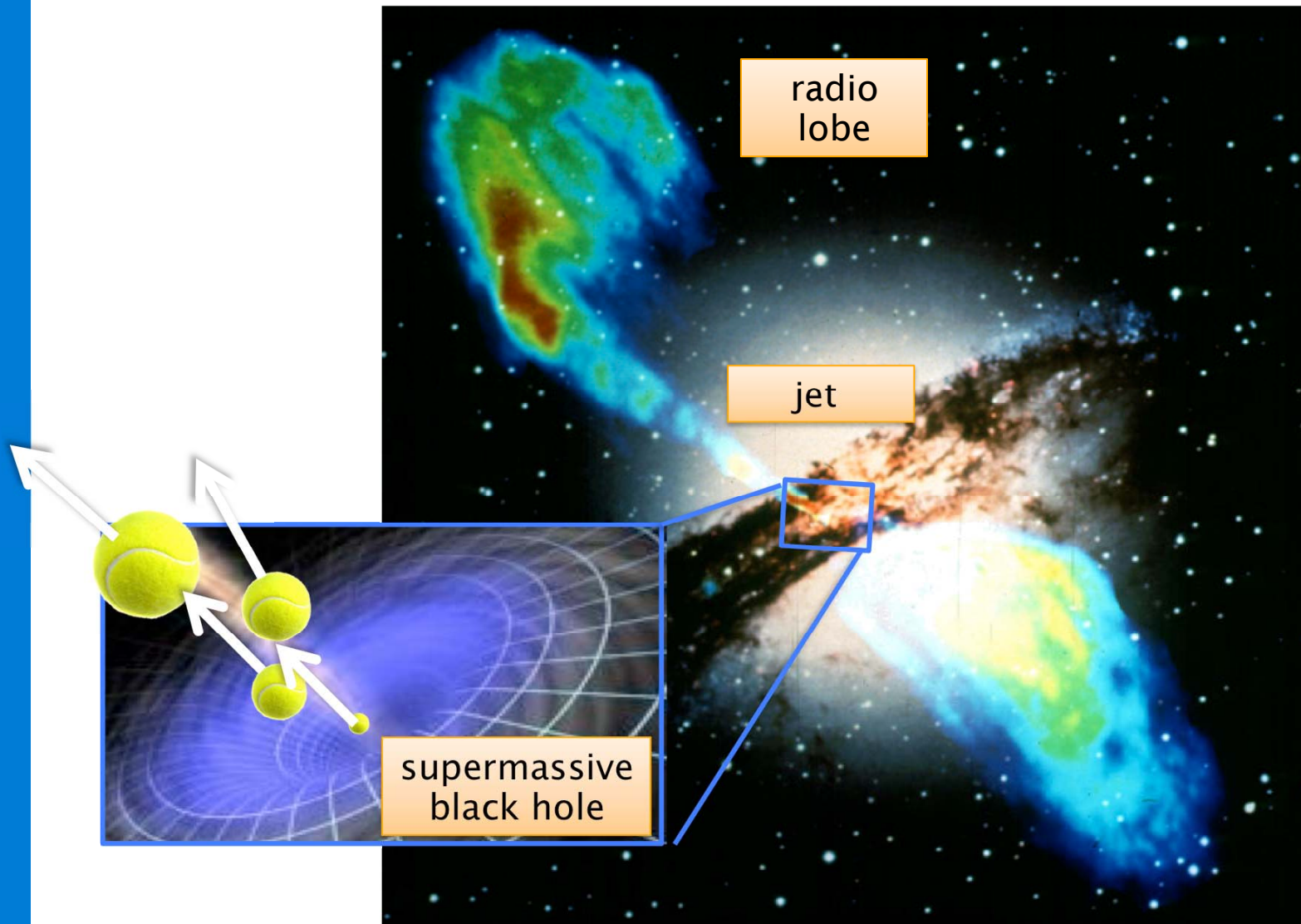
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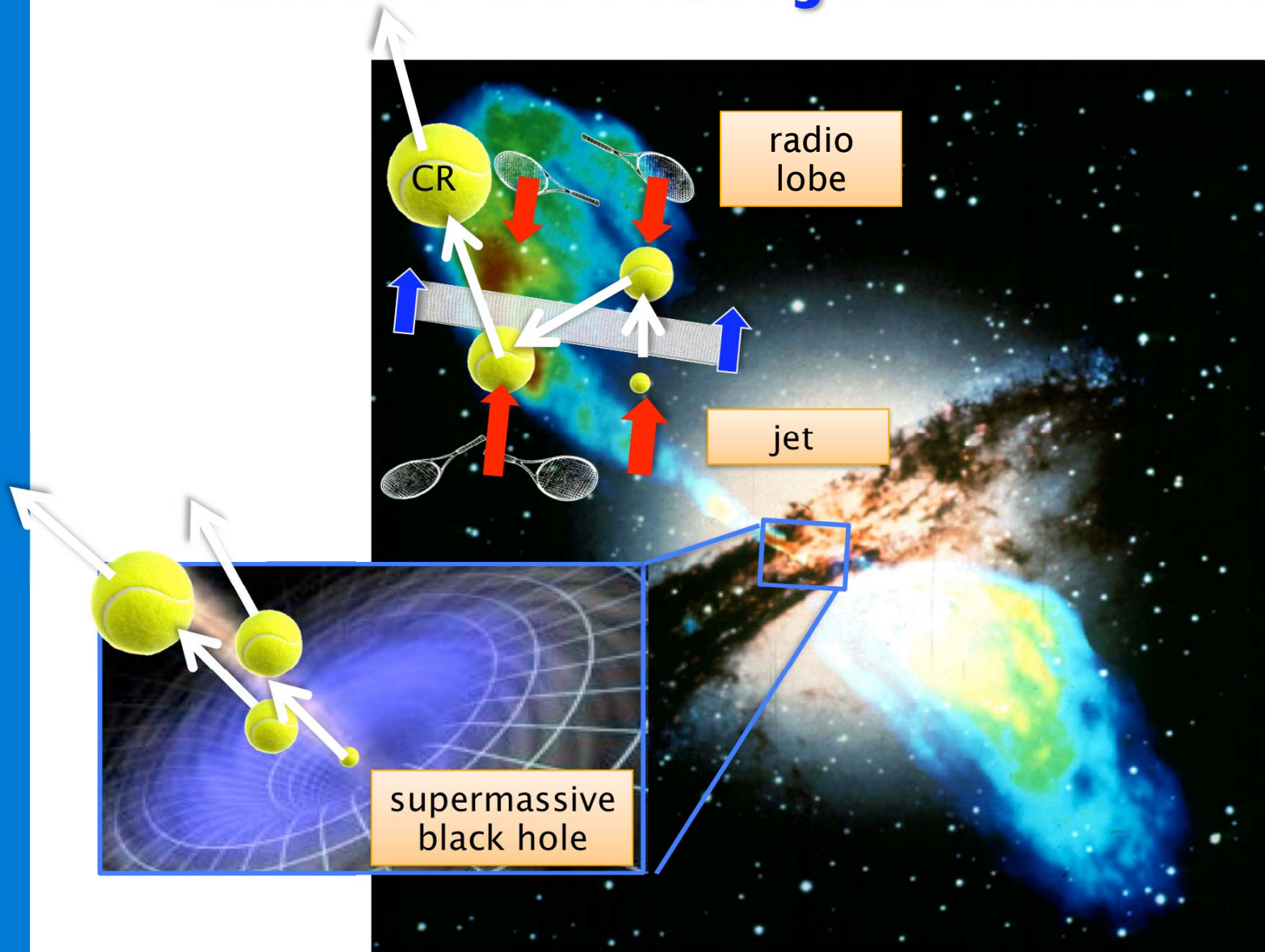
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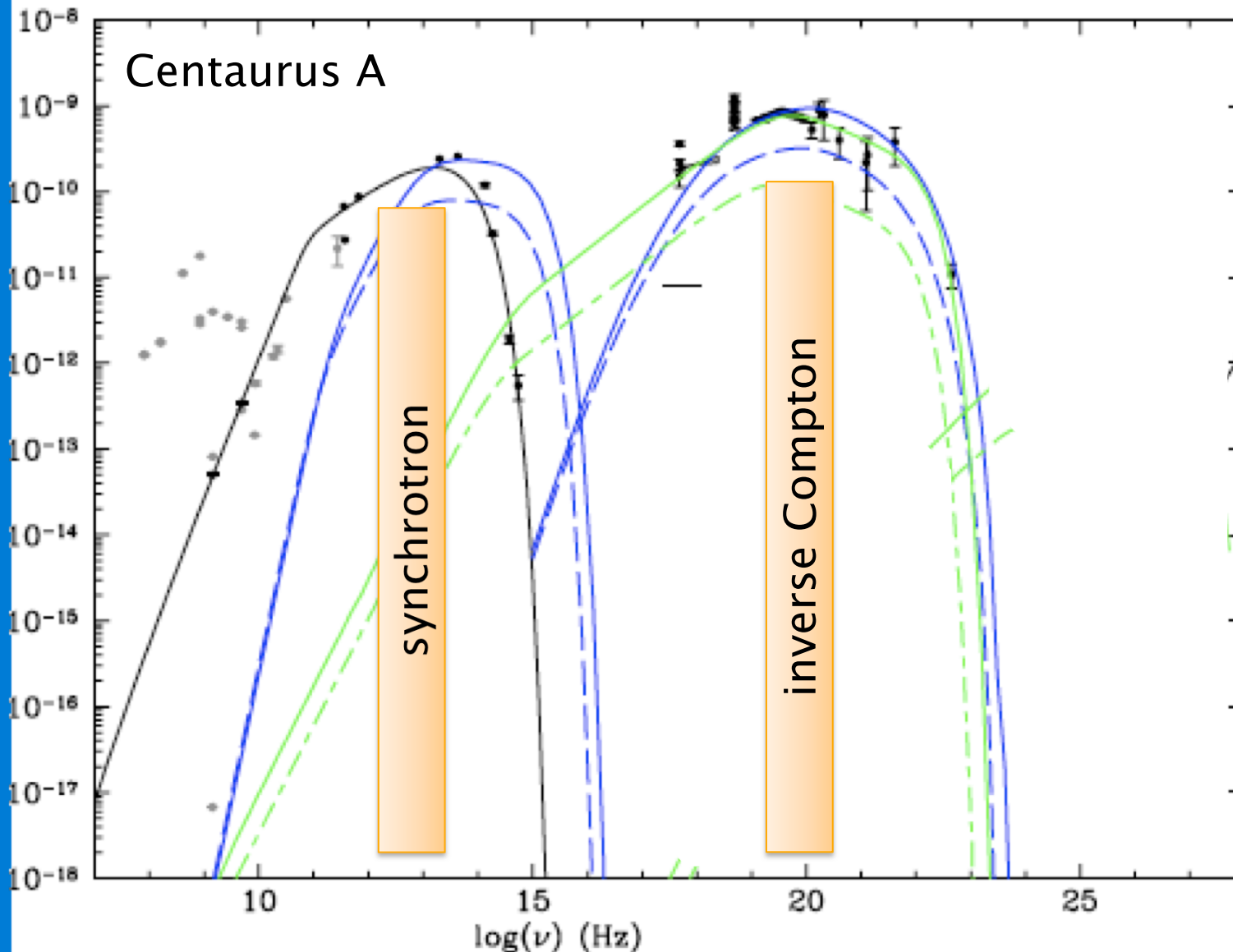
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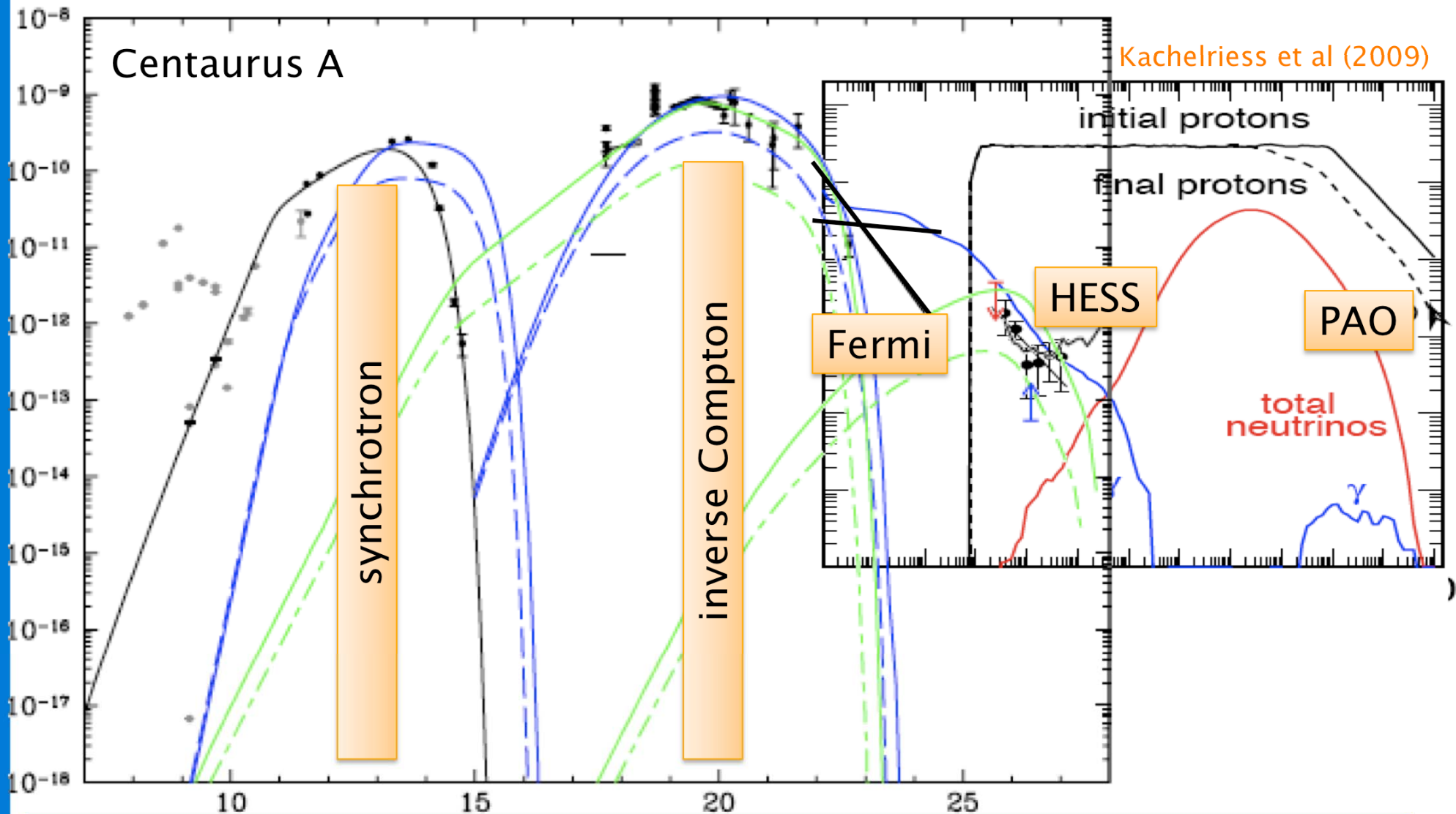
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Conventional models of radio-to- γ -ray emission from radio galaxies and blazars involve synchrotron + inverse Compton emission from electrons

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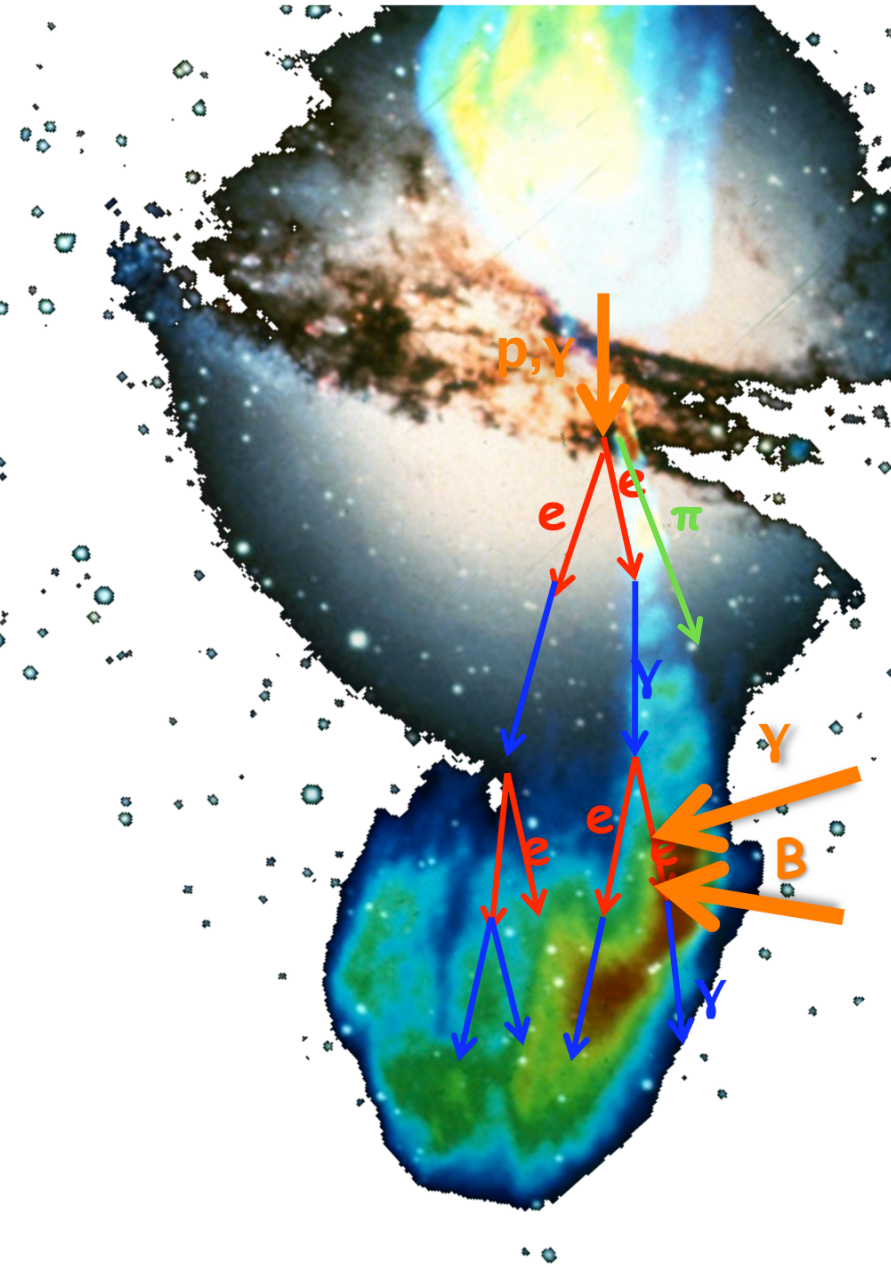


If UHECR association with Cen A is confirmed, revision of the conventional model of activity of radio galaxies will be needed

→ insight into the problem of formation of jets?

Particle cascades in AGN jets

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$$\gamma + e^- \rightarrow \gamma + e^-$$

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$$p + \gamma \rightarrow p + e^+ + e^-$$

$$N + \gamma \rightarrow N + n\pi$$

$$n \rightarrow p + e^- + \nu_e$$

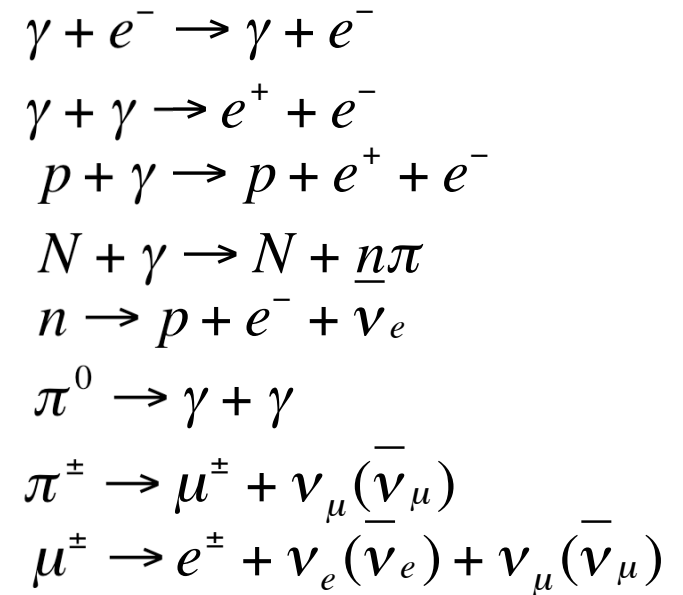
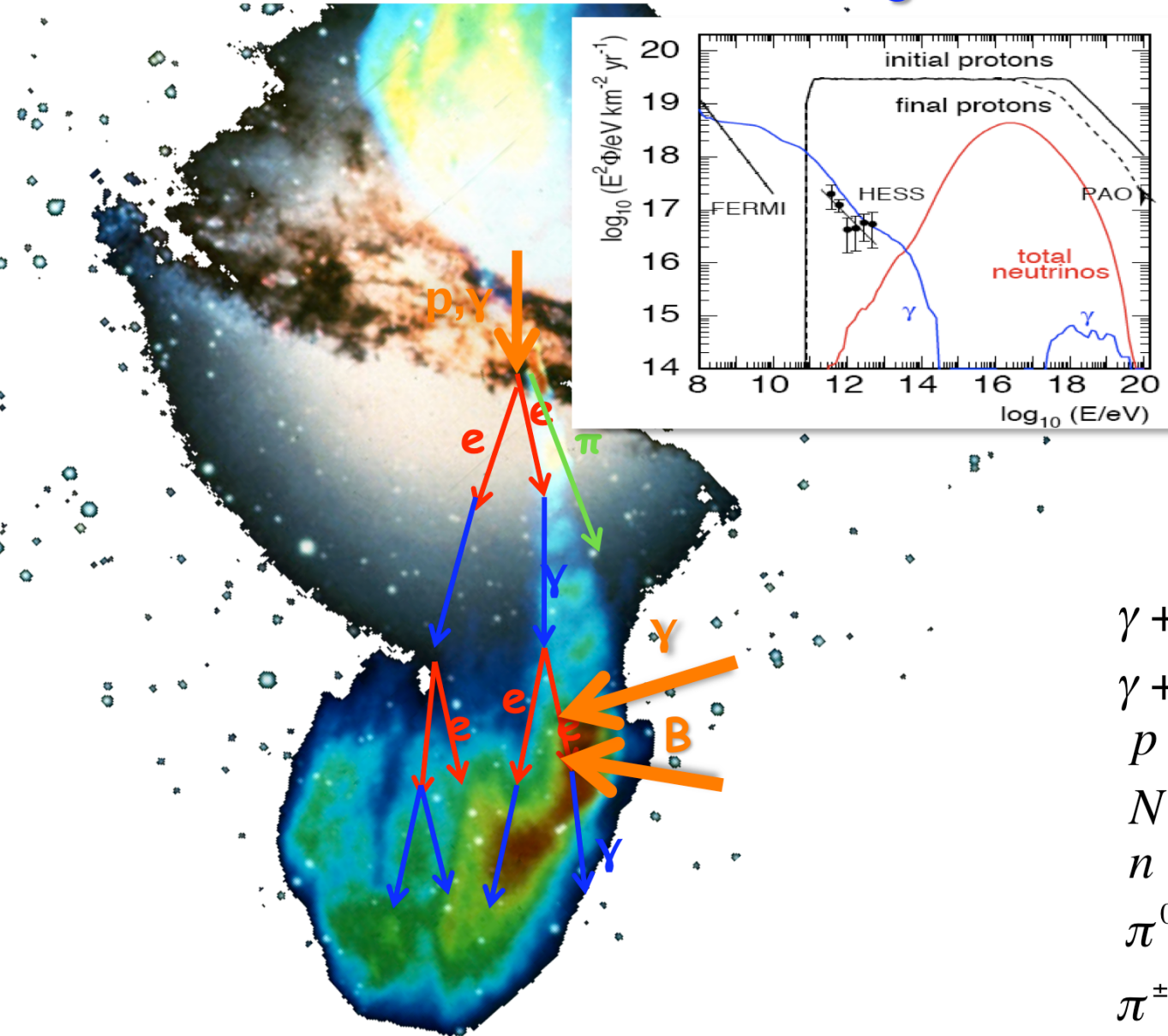
$$\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma$$

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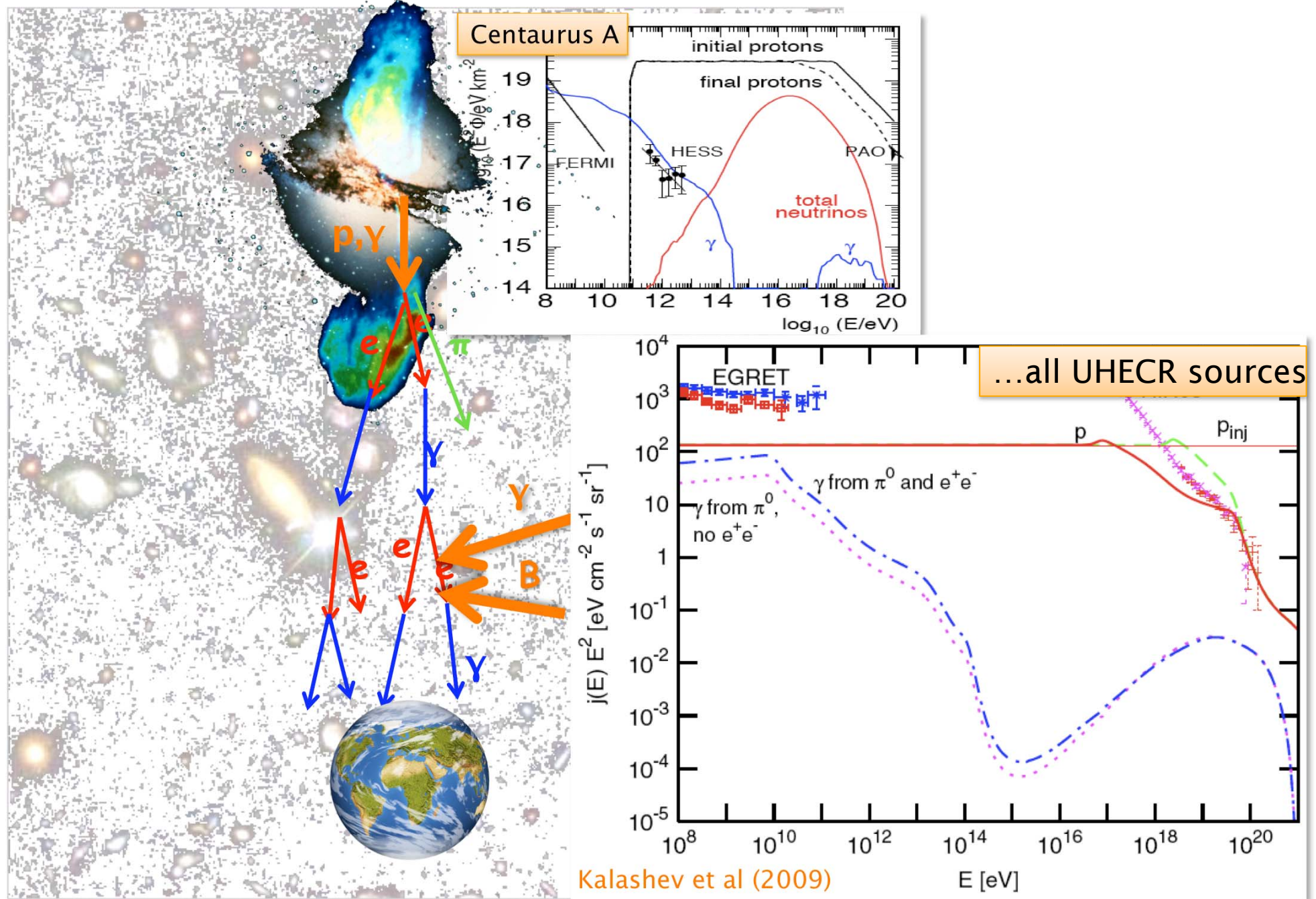
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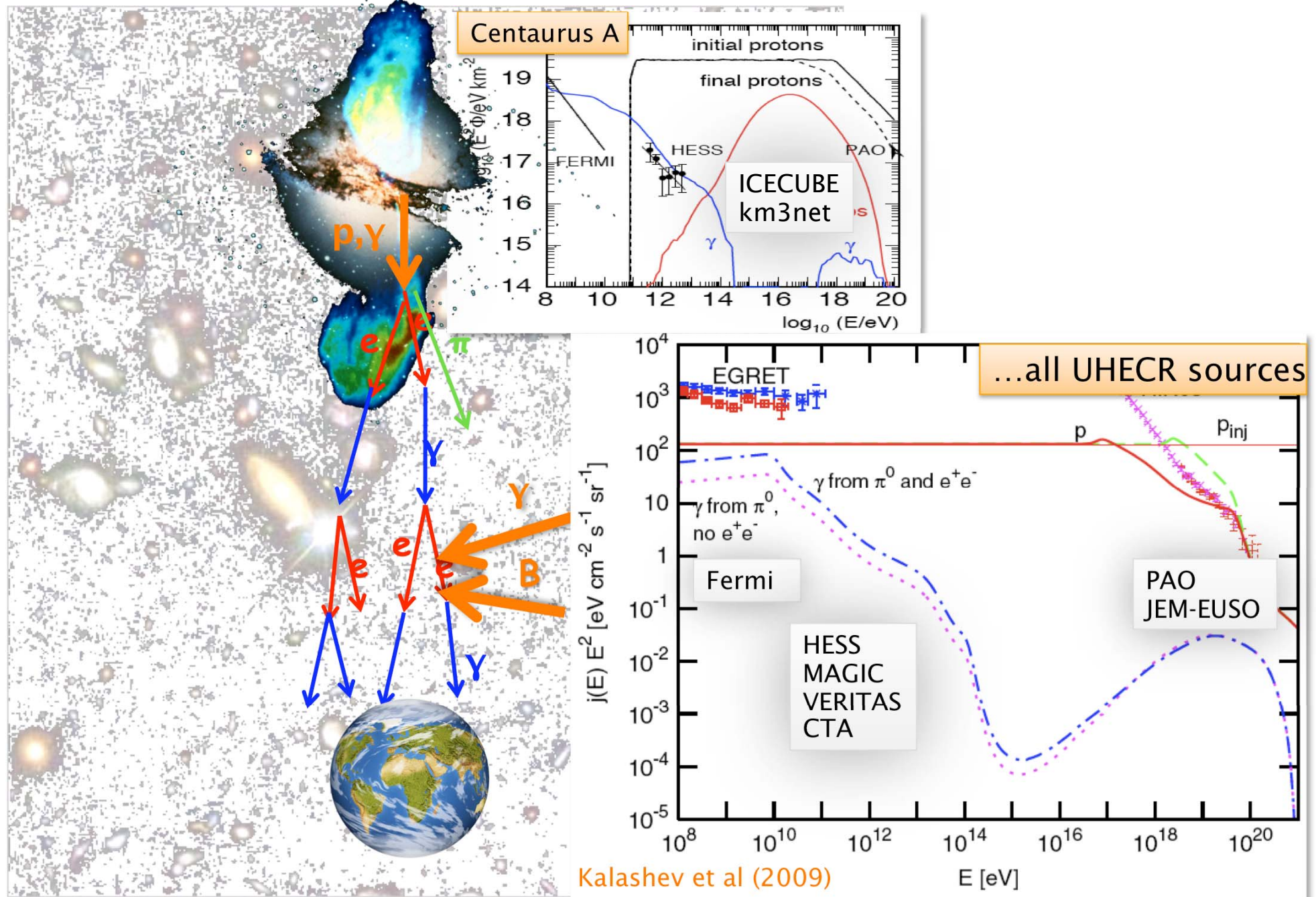
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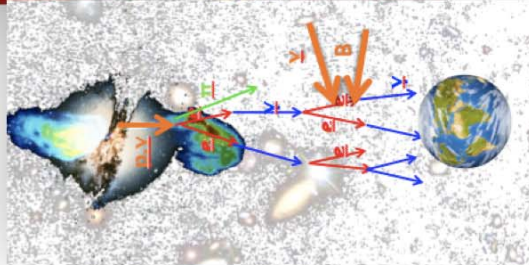
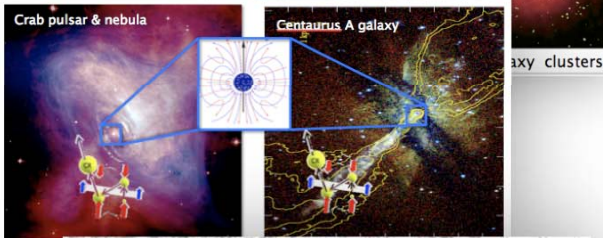
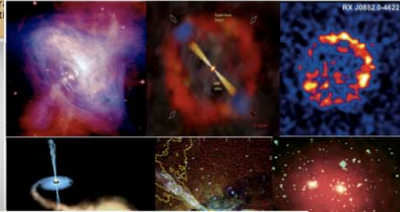
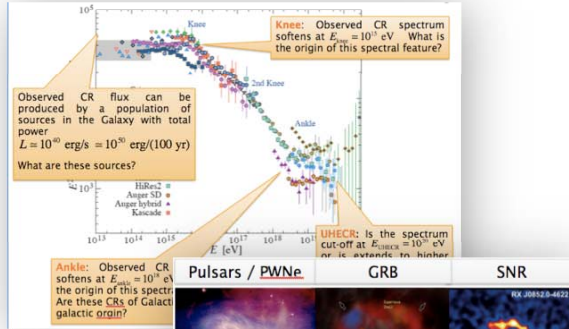
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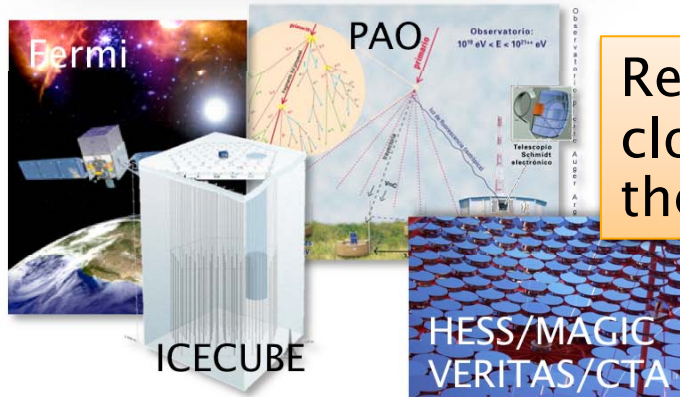
Many faces of the problem of the origin of Cosmic rays

Rich astrophysical phenomena involved
Supernovae, SNR, pulsars, PWN, GRB, AGN,...

Two main type of acceleration mechanisms
shock acceleration vs. acceleration by large-scale electric fields

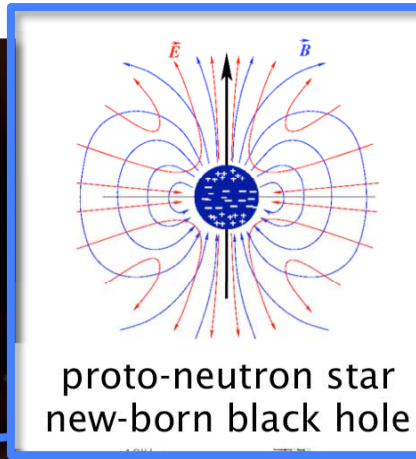
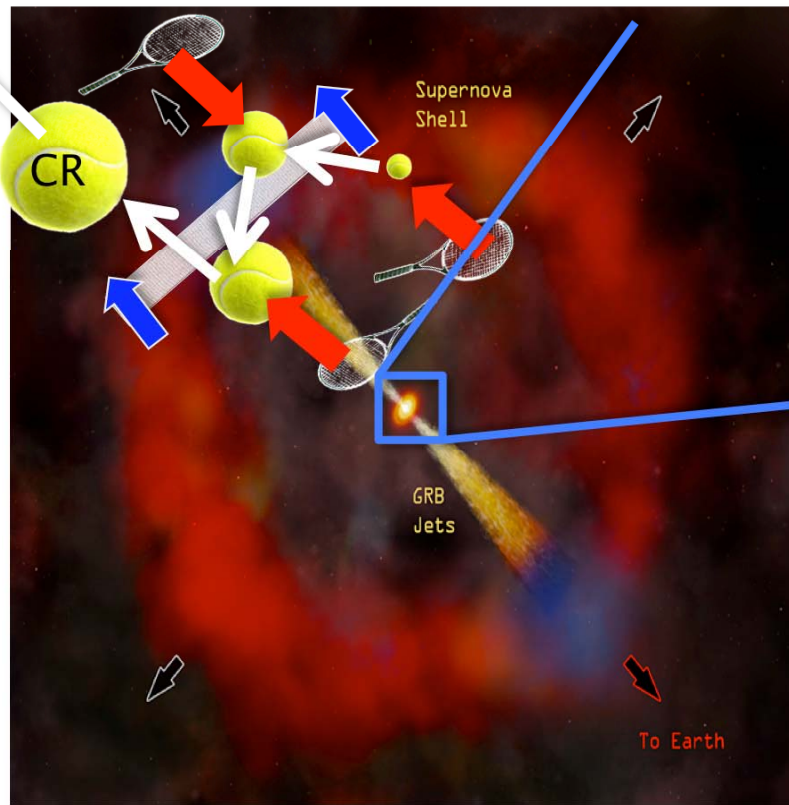
CR source properties determined not only by acceleration mechanism(s), but also by particle cascades in and/or outside the sources

Recent advances in instrumentation bring us close to solution of (some of) the problem(s) of the origin of CRs



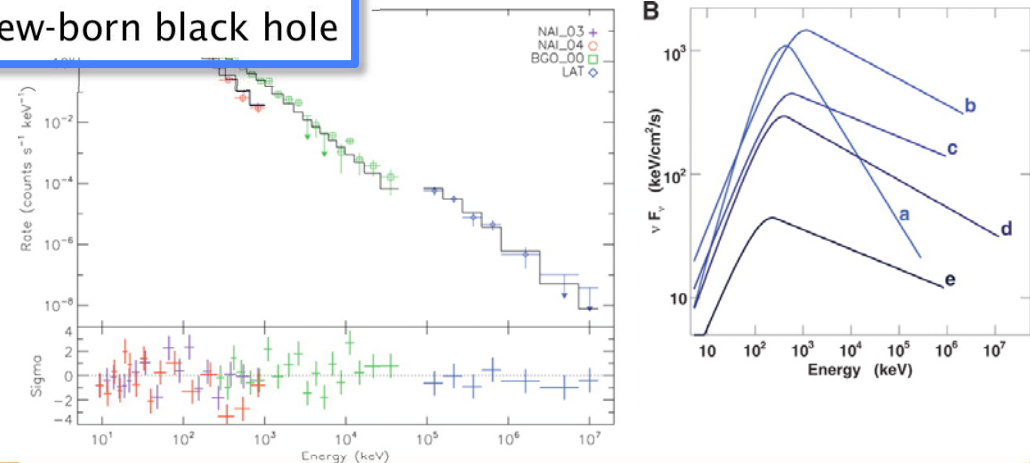
Particle acceleration in GRBs

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proto-neutron star
new-born black hole

Fermi LAT & GBM Collab. (2009)



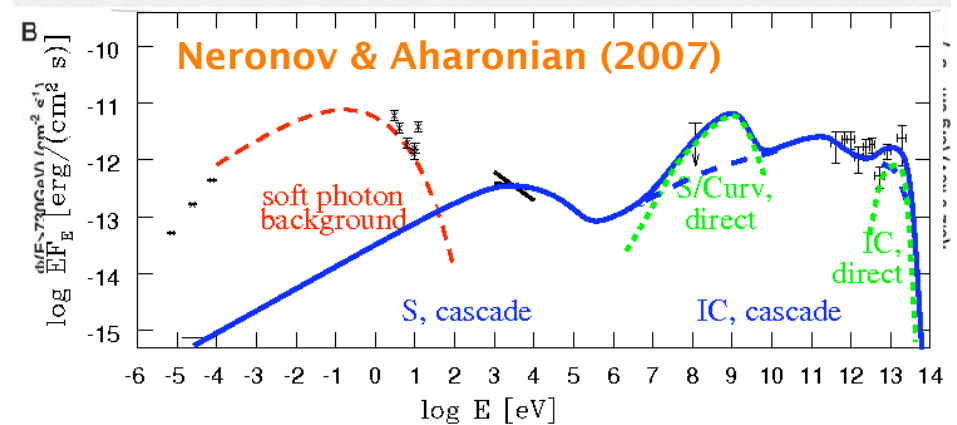
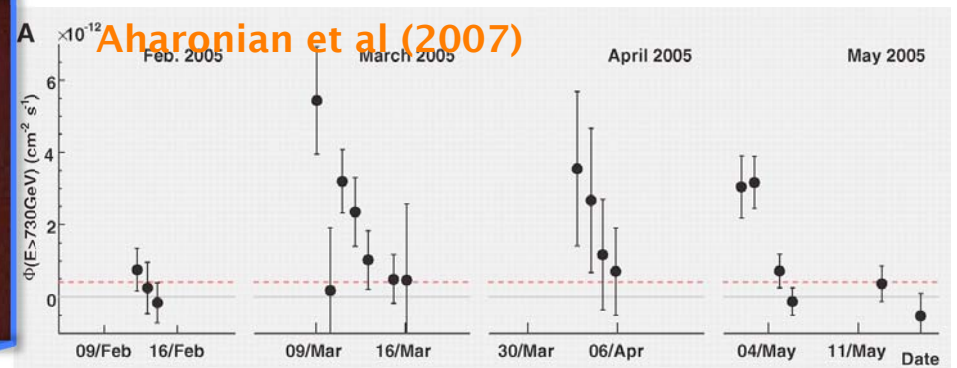
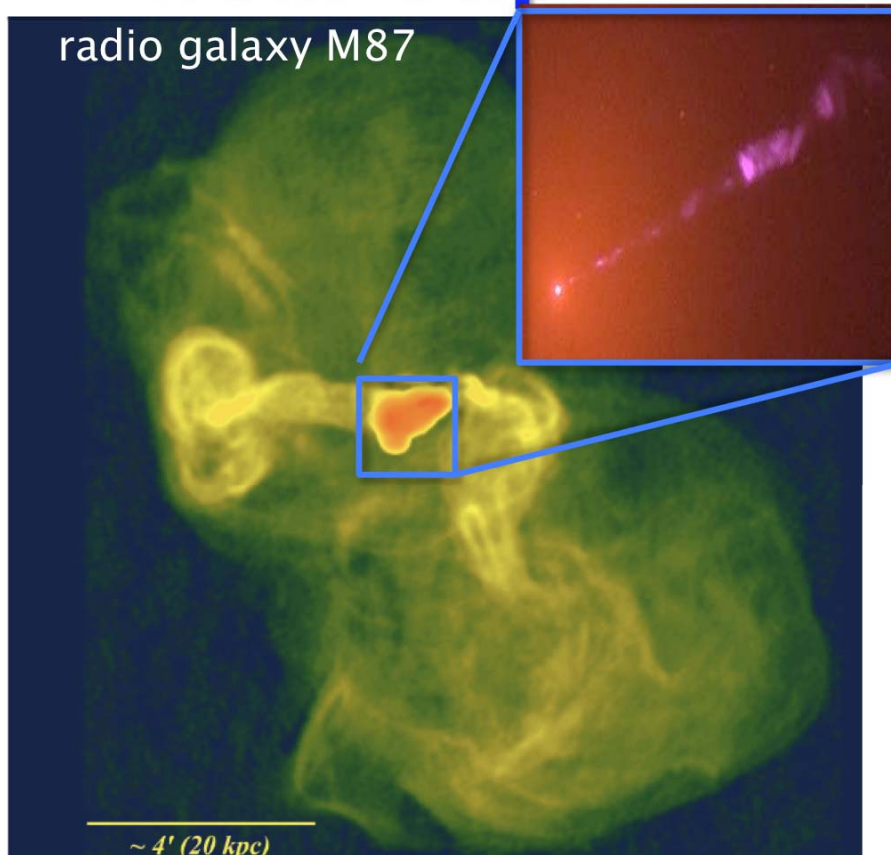
Long (10-100 s) gamma-ray bursts associated to the collapse of massive star and/or supernova explosion.

Emission is produced by relativistic ($\sim 10^2$ - 10^3) outflow (jet) from newly formed neutron star or black hole

Spectrum of the “prompt” GRB emission extends to multi-GeV band

Mechanisms of particle acceleration in the GRB “central engine” and in the outflow are not clear

Particle acceleration near supermassive black holes

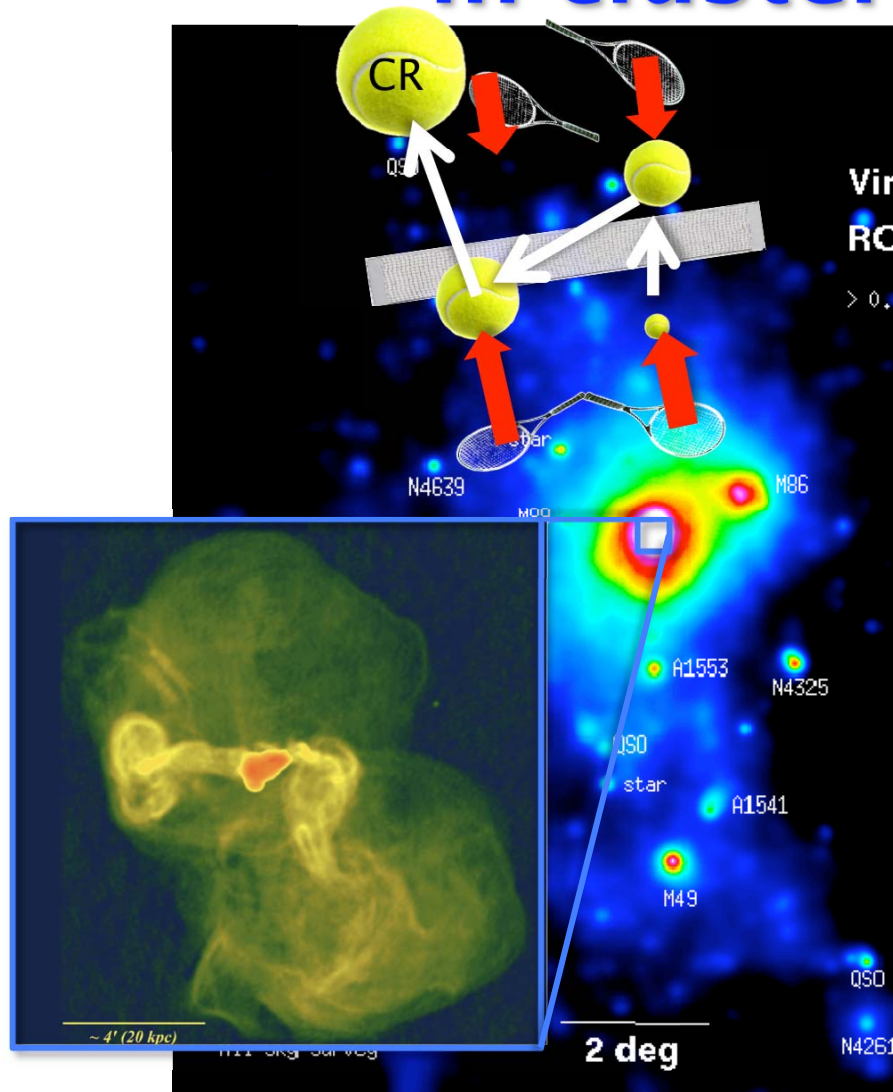


Variability time scales of TeV emission are close to the “fundamental” time scale(s) of the “central engine” (supermassive black hole):

$$R_{\text{iso}} = \frac{4\pi G_N M_{\text{BH}}}{c^3} \simeq 2.2 \left[\frac{M_{\text{BH}}}{3 \times 10^9 M_{\text{Sun}}} \right] d$$

→ Particle acceleration takes place close to black hole horizon

Particle acceleration in clusters of galaxies



CR acceleration can take place at distance scales even larger than that of the Mpc-scale lobes of radio galaxies. Acceleration is possible at the accretion shocks of (still forming) clusters of galaxies

$$E < 2 \times 10^{18} \left[\frac{V}{10^{-3} c} \right]^2 \left[\frac{B}{10^{-6} \text{G}} \right] \left[\frac{T_{\text{source}}}{10^{10} \text{yr}} \right] \text{eV}$$

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