

Stochastic modelling of cosmic ray sources sped up

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Cosmic ray sources

Long-standing questions

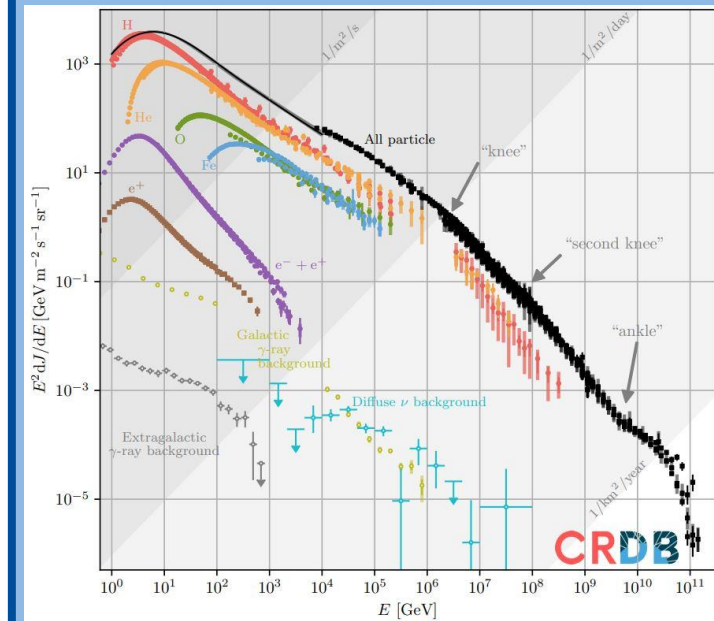
What are the sources of cosmic rays?

How can galactic cosmic rays reach PeV energies?

How do cosmic rays escape their sources?

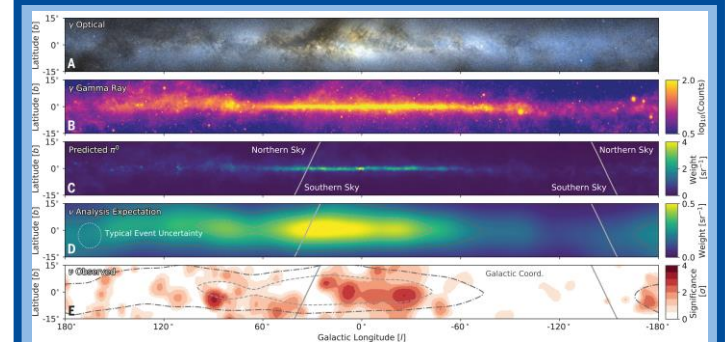


Cosmic Ray Spectrum



[CRDB – 2023]

Diffuse emissions



[IceCube – 2023]

Source stochasticity

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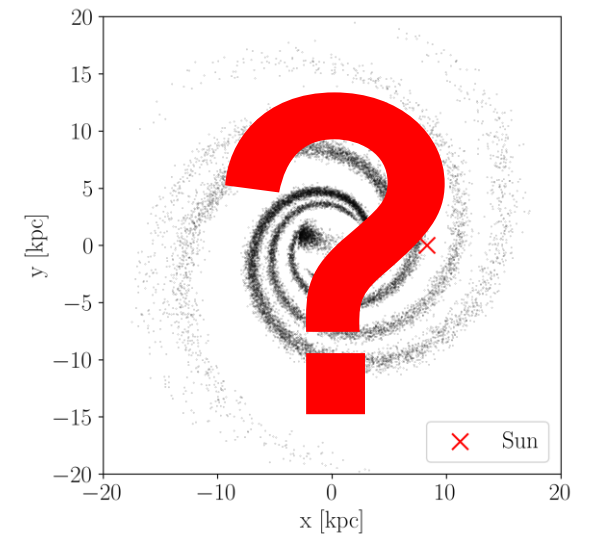
Smooth source distribution

- good, if many sources contribute

VS.

Discrete sources

- Monte Carlo approach
- necessary, if few sources contribute



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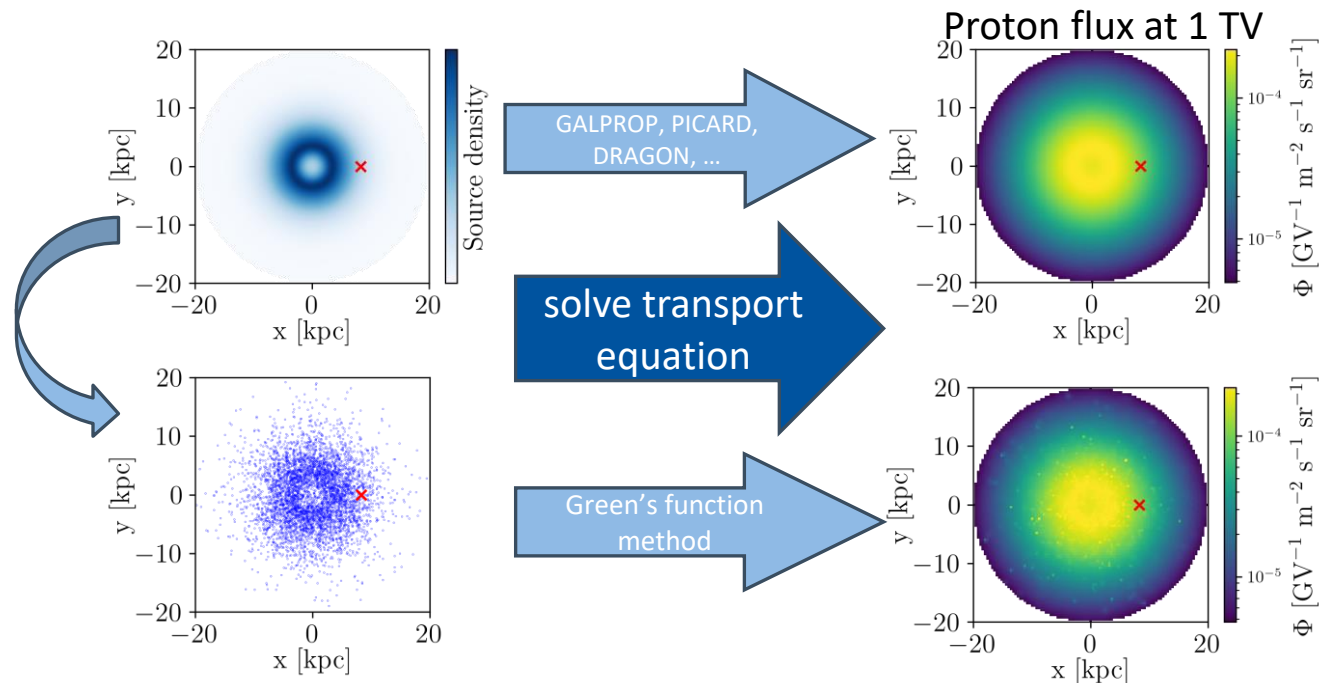
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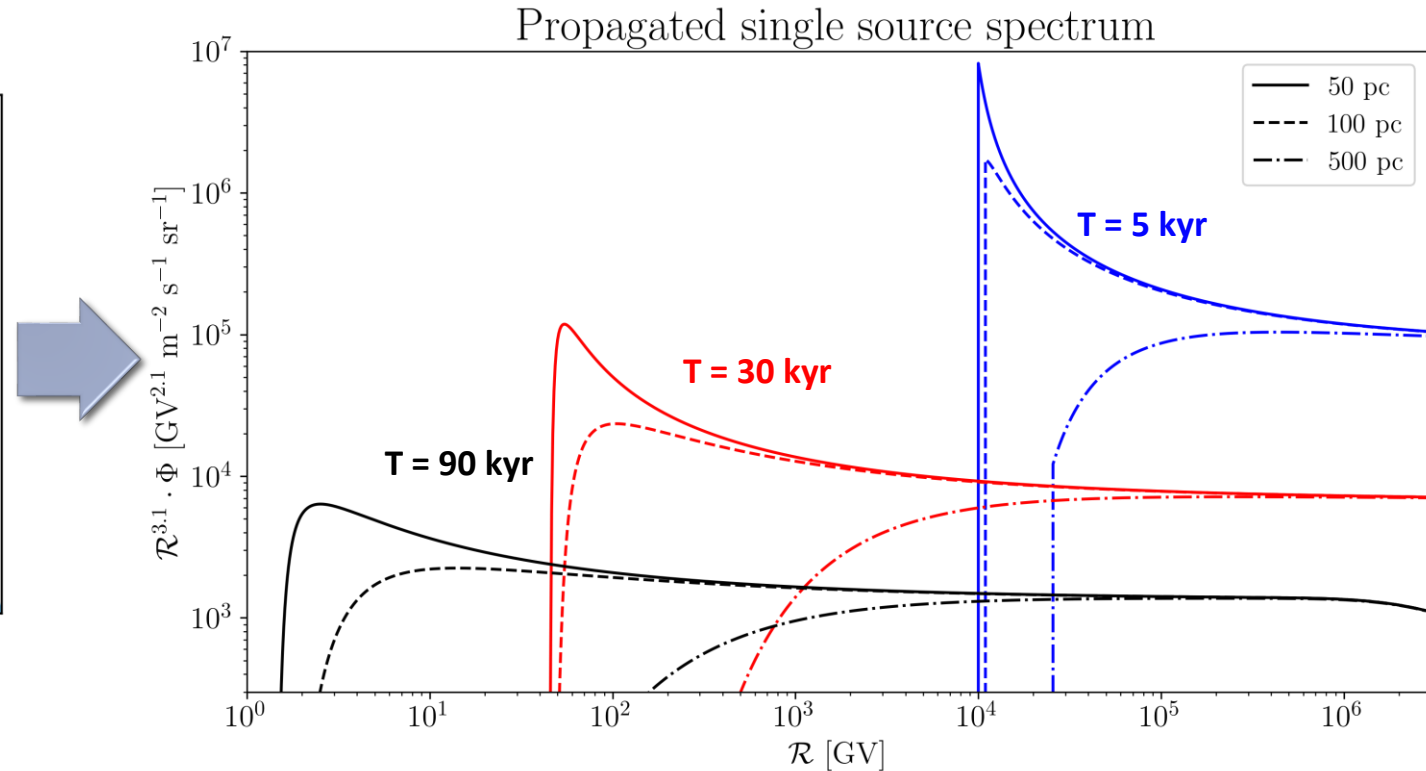
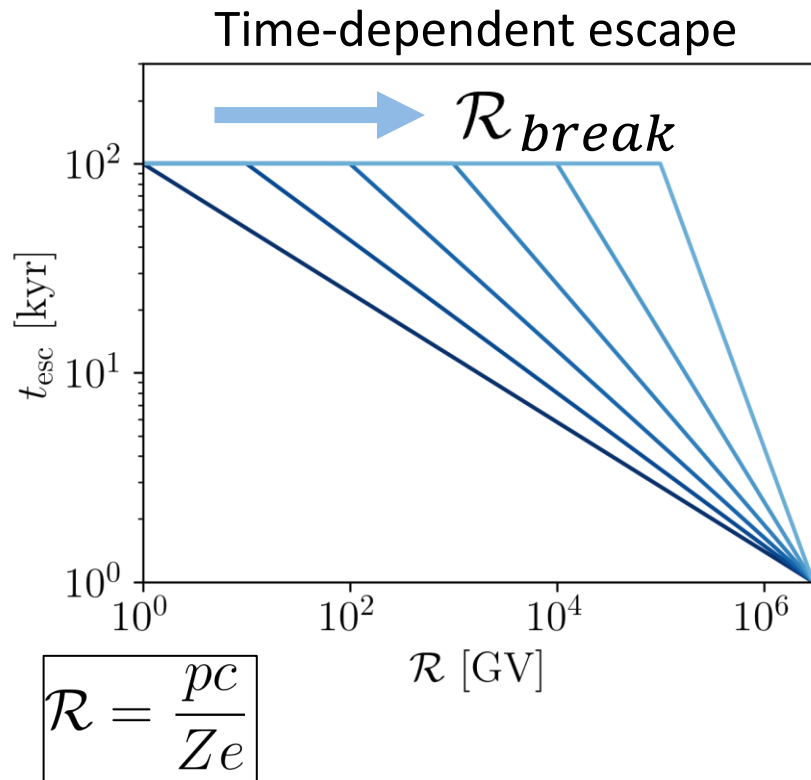
Examples for stochasticity studies:

- High energy electrons
e.g. [Mertsch'18]
- Low energy cosmic rays
e.g. [Phan'23]
- High energy protons
e.g. [Genolini'17]

Source modelling

Solve cosmic ray transport equation for point source (Green's function)

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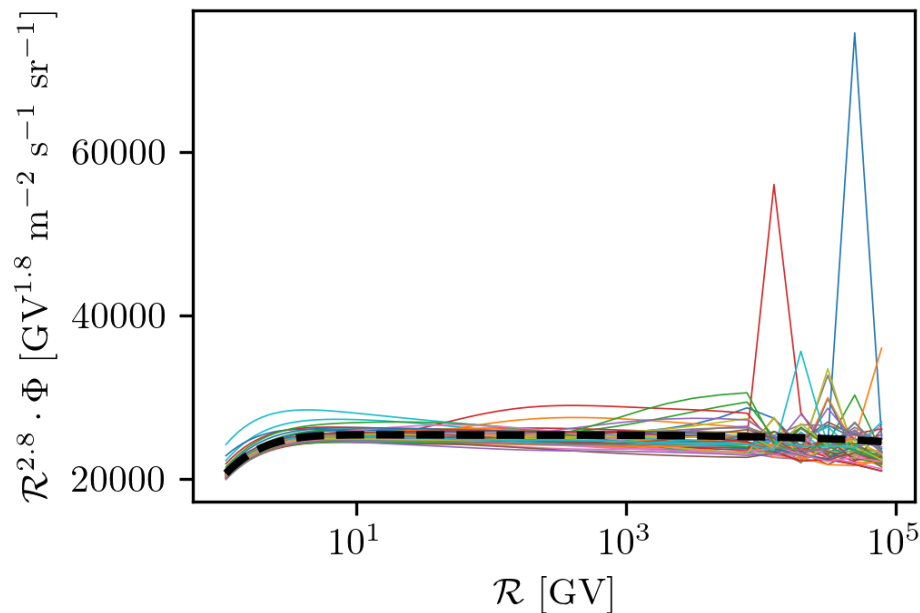
- flux at position \mathbf{x}_0 and time t_0 is calculated as sum over all source contributions:

$$\Phi = \sum_{i=1}^N G(t_0, \mathbf{x}_0, \mathcal{R}; t_i, \mathbf{x}_i)$$



each contribution calculated **the same way**
contributions can be calculated in **parallel**

50 real. $t_{\text{life}} = 100 \text{ kyr}$, $\mathcal{R}_{\text{break}} = 10 \text{ TV}$

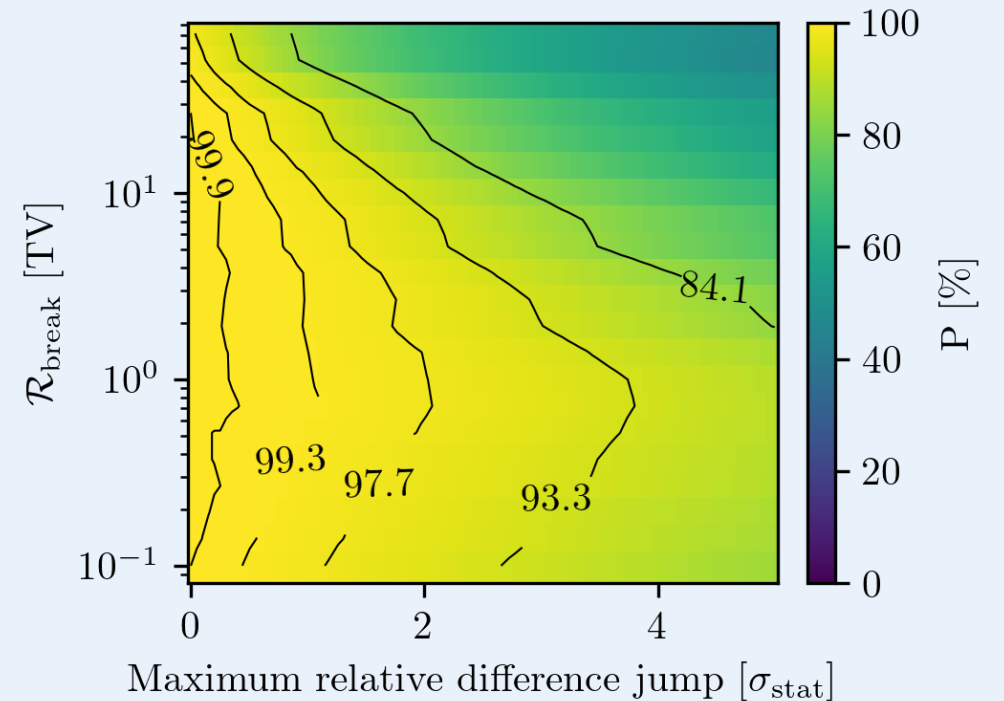
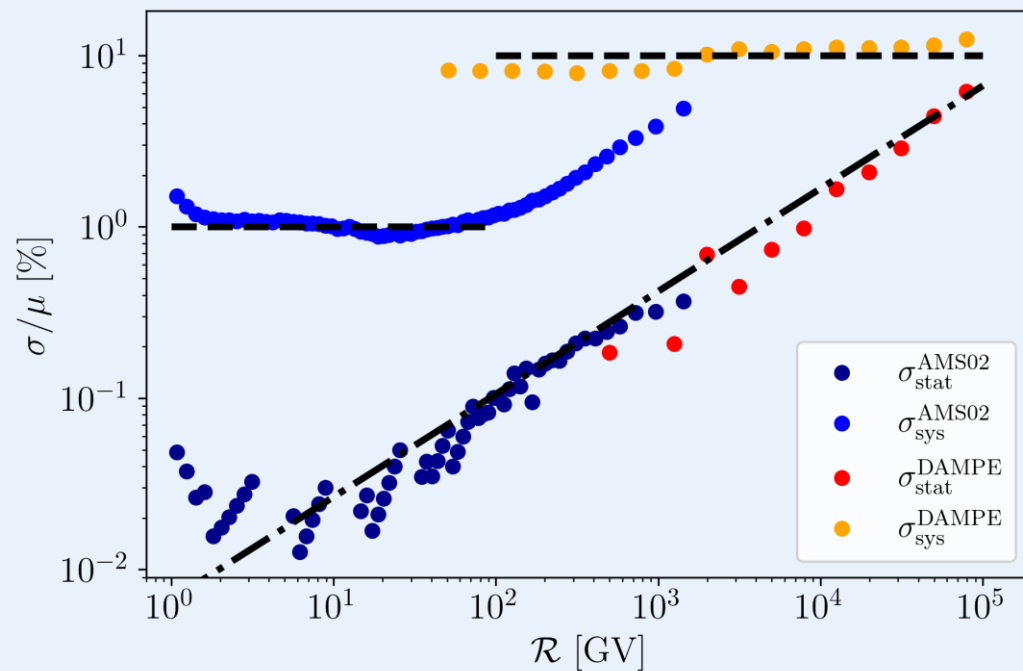


Young sources, that are not fully evolved, contribute with pronounced jump-like features!

➤ **Would we detect those if this was the correct escape model?**

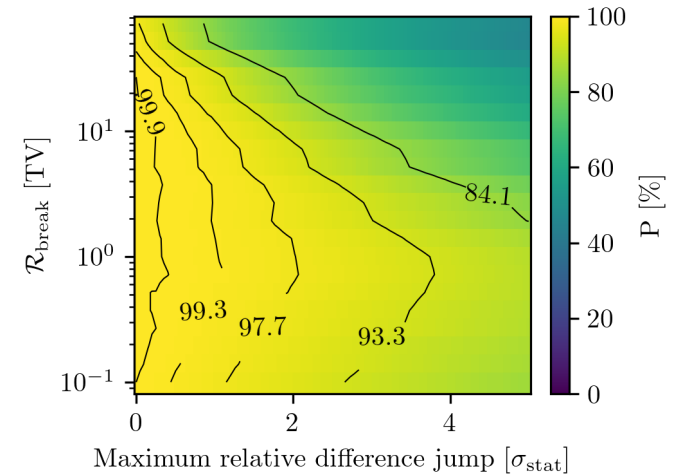
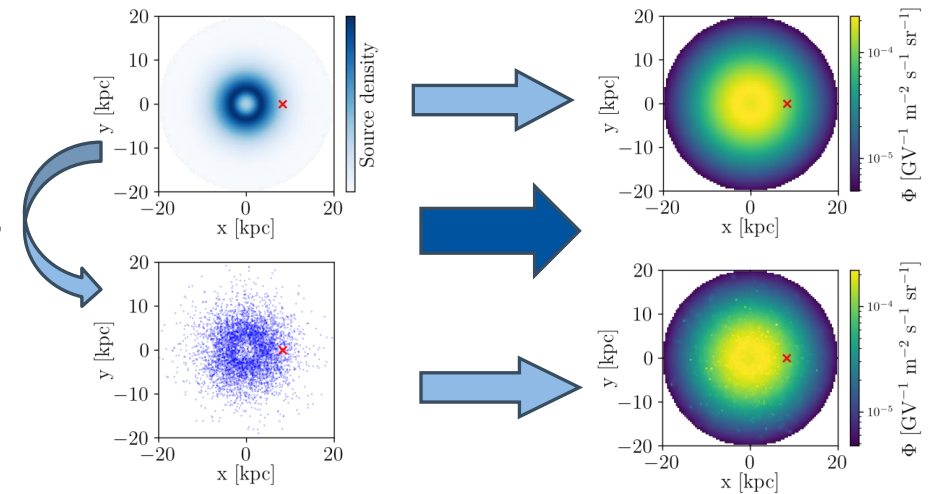
Results of stochastic modelling

Could jumps due to time-dependent escape be detected?



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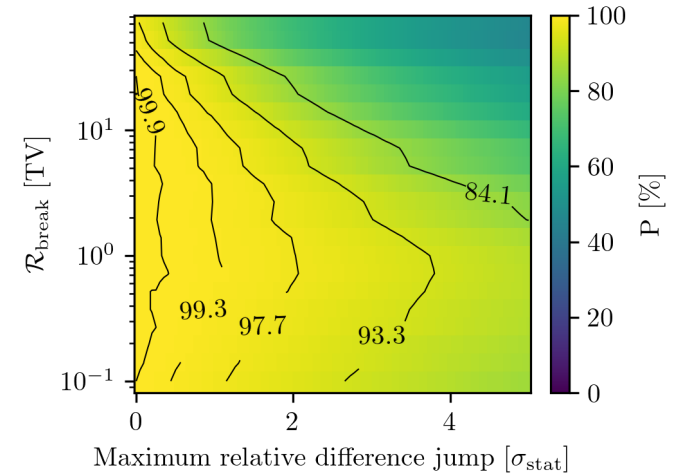
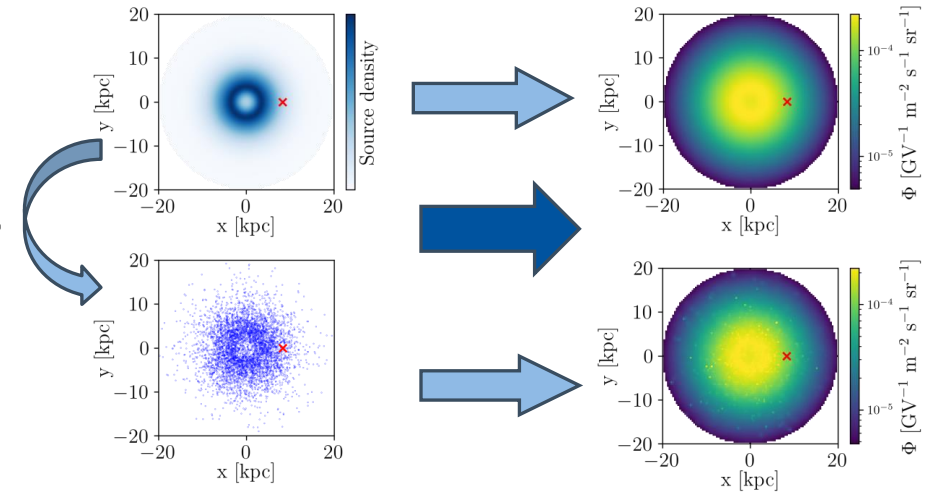
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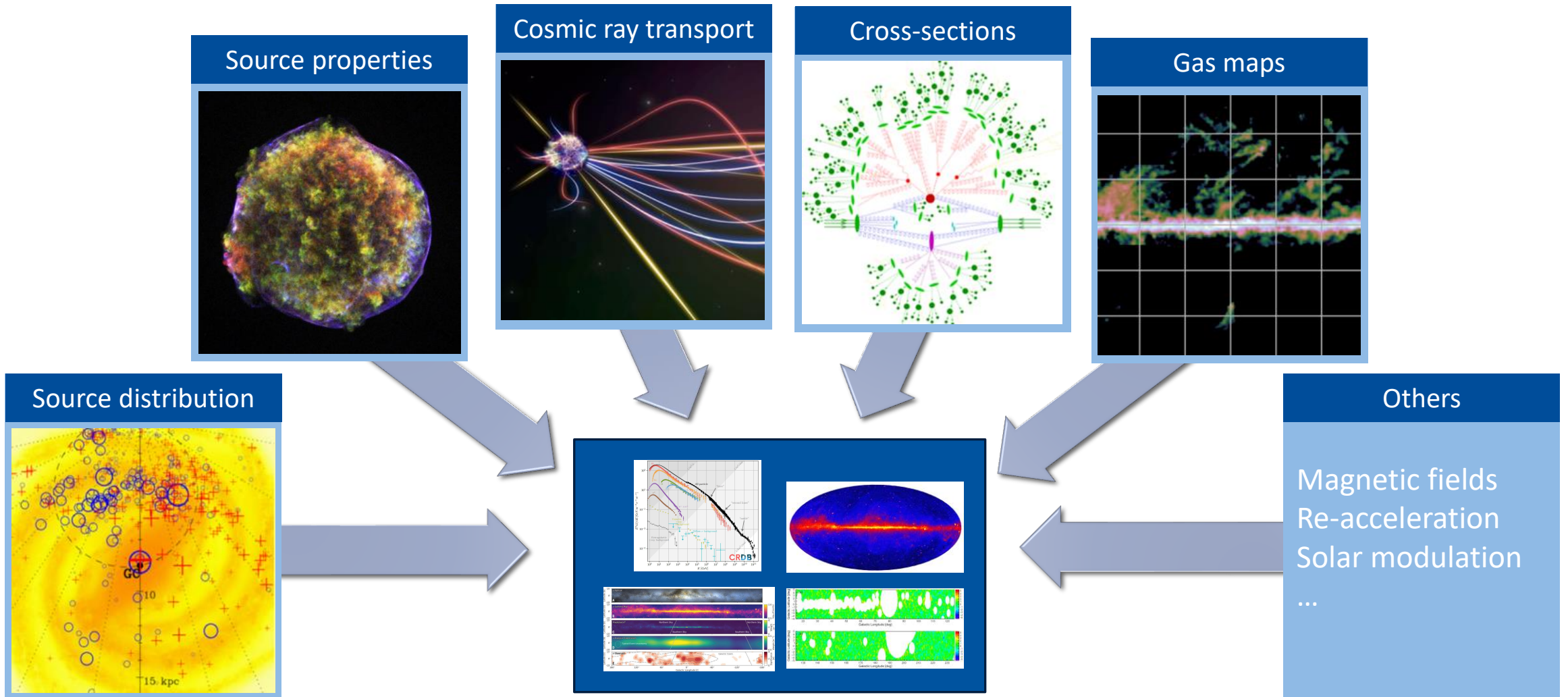


Thank you!
Questions?

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Backup

Modelling of cosmic rays



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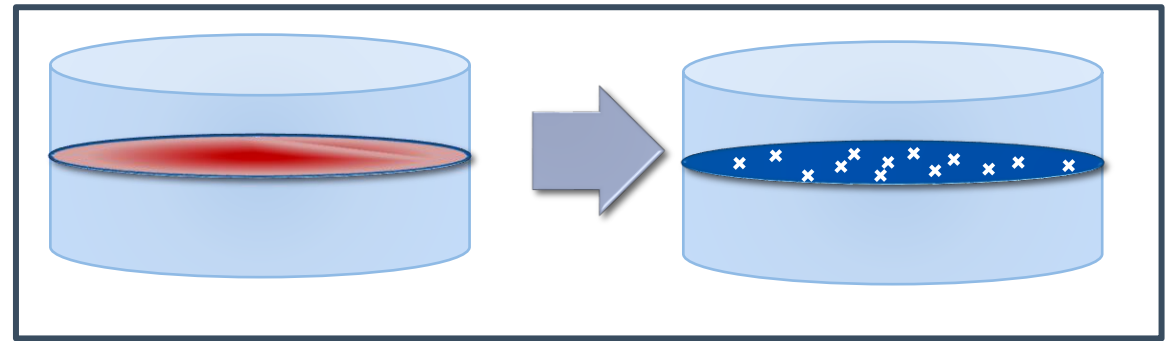
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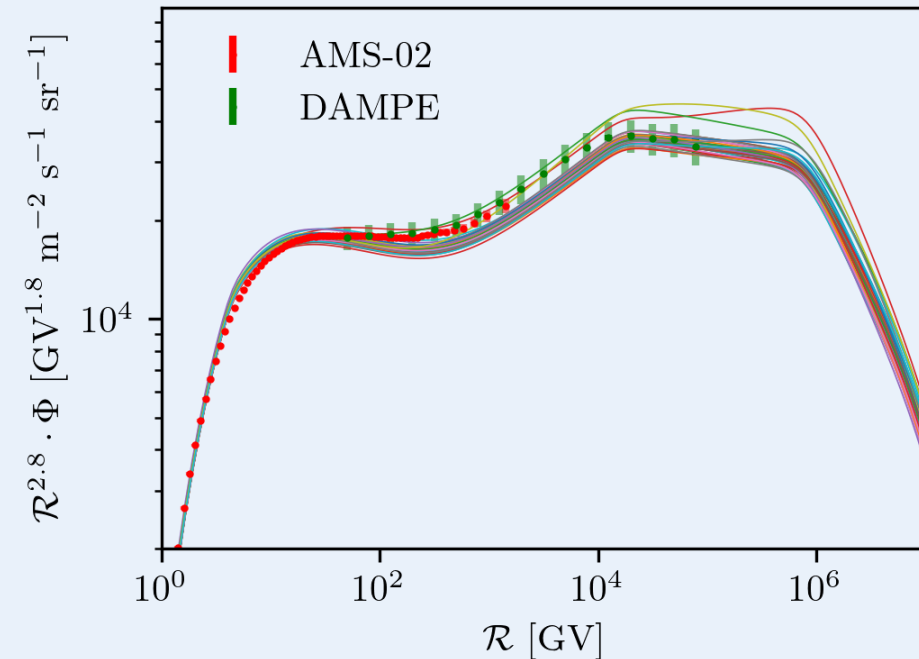
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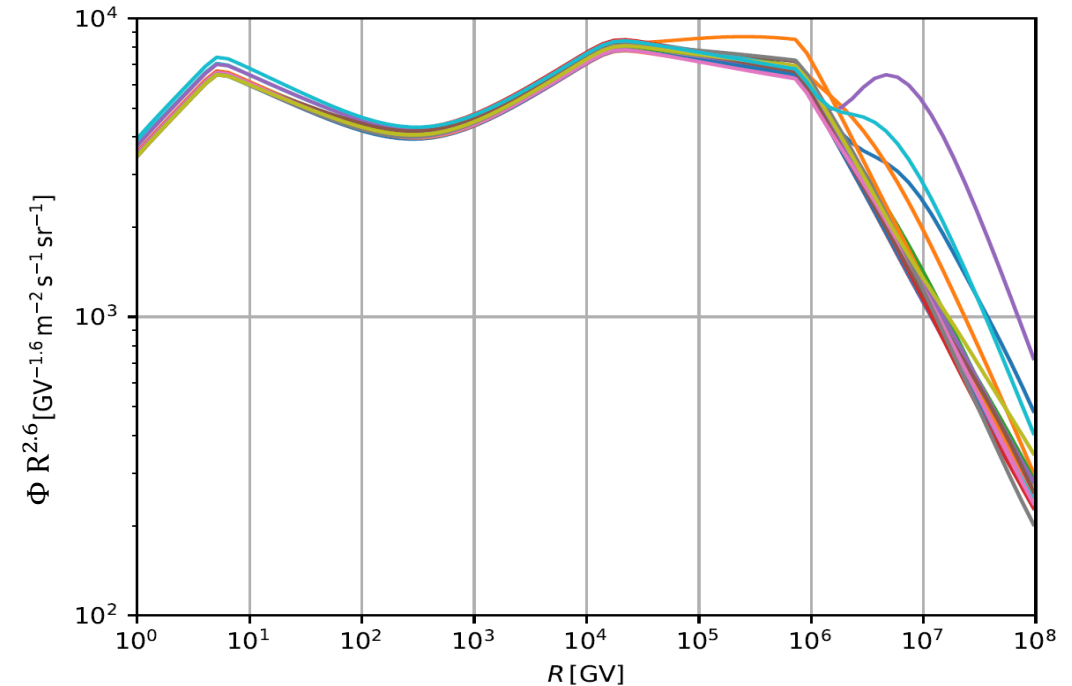
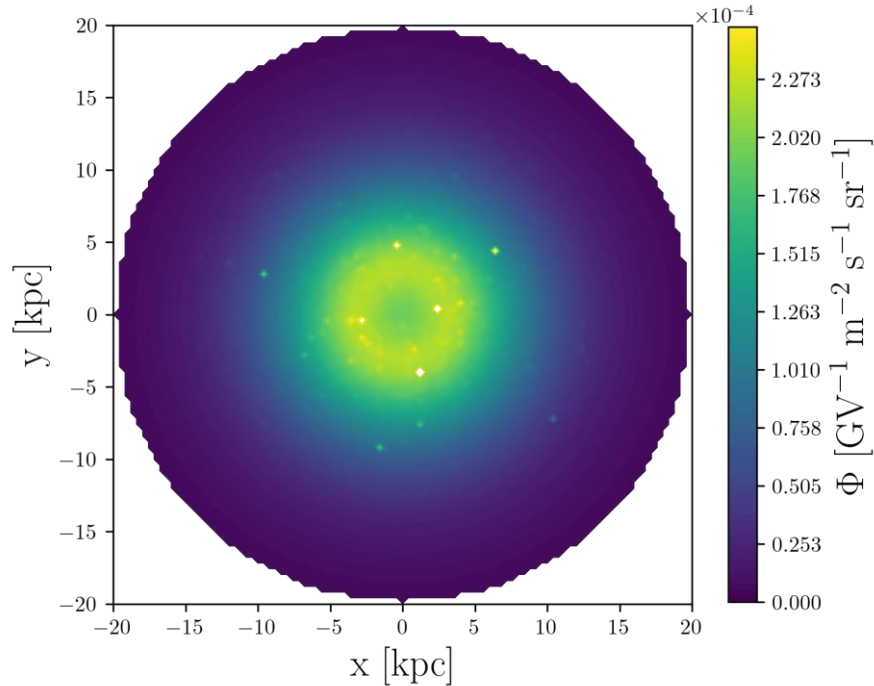
Results for the stochastic proton spectrum



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Stochastic proton spectrum

Proton flux Φ at 1 TV



The average is consistent with the corresponding smooth model, but fluctuations occur.

Fluctuations are larger at higher energies/rigidities. Features in PV protons are relevant for galactic diffuse γ and ν at 100 TeV.