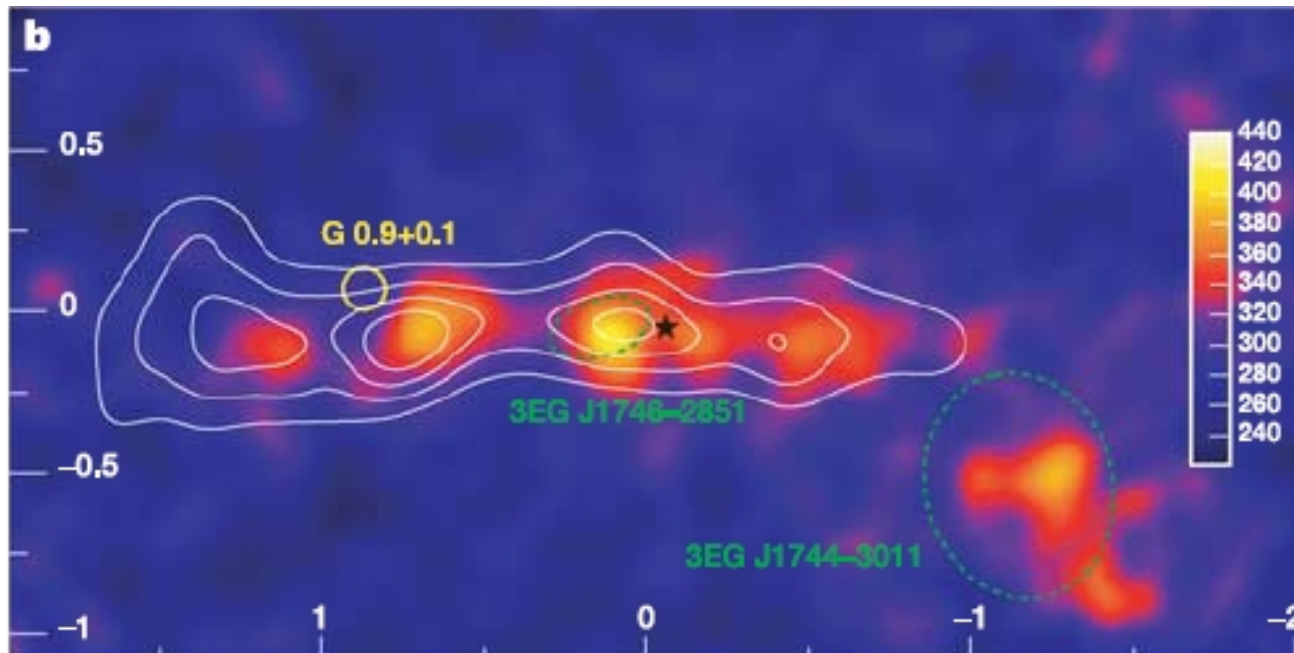


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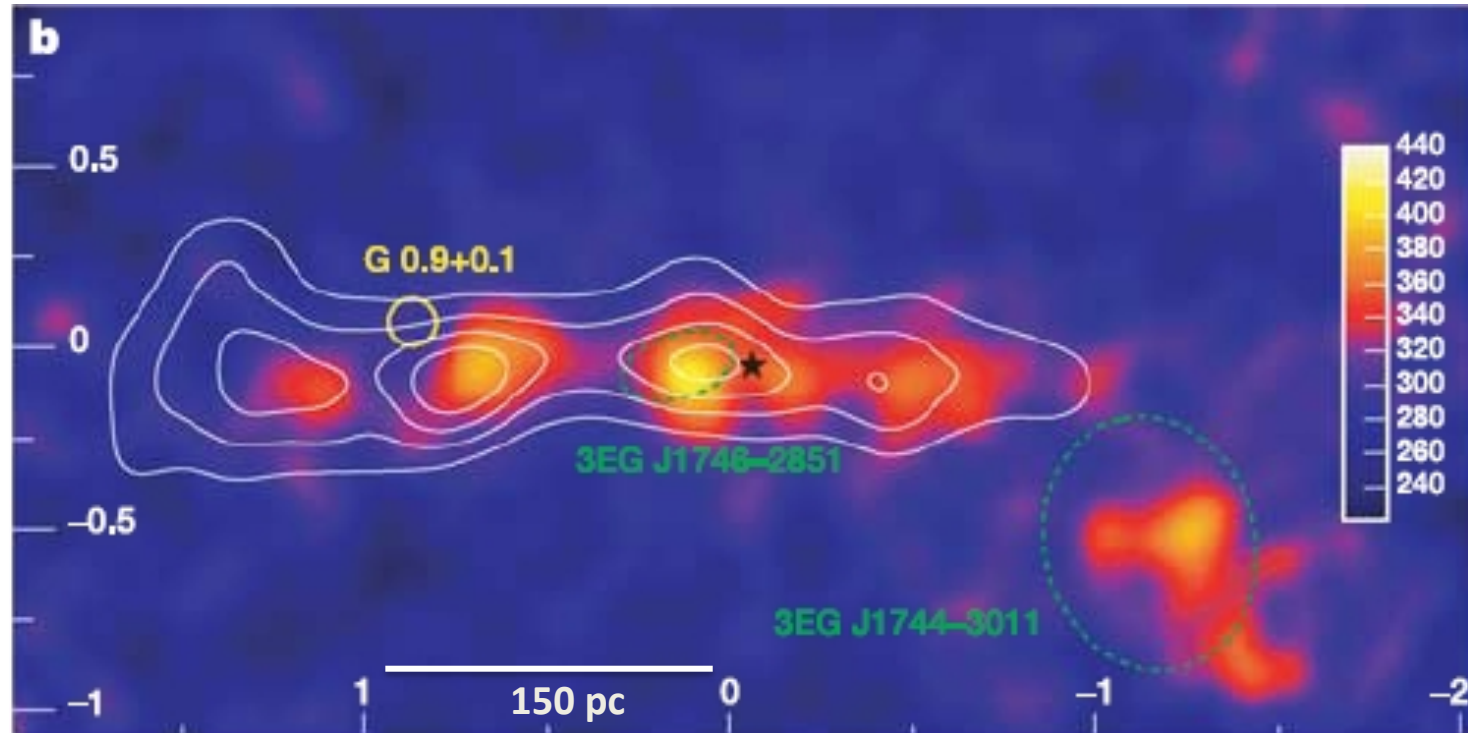
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Excess of VHE Cosmic rays (CRs)

Diffuse emission seen by H.E.S.S. (2004-2006):

γ -ray count map



Credits: H.E.S.S. collaboration
Aharonian et al., 2006

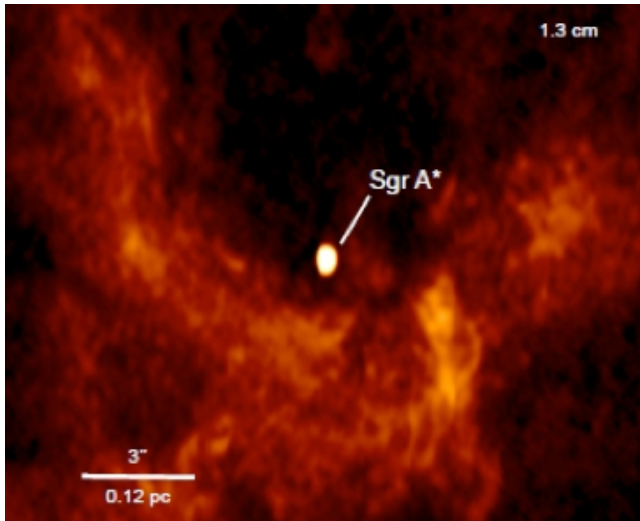
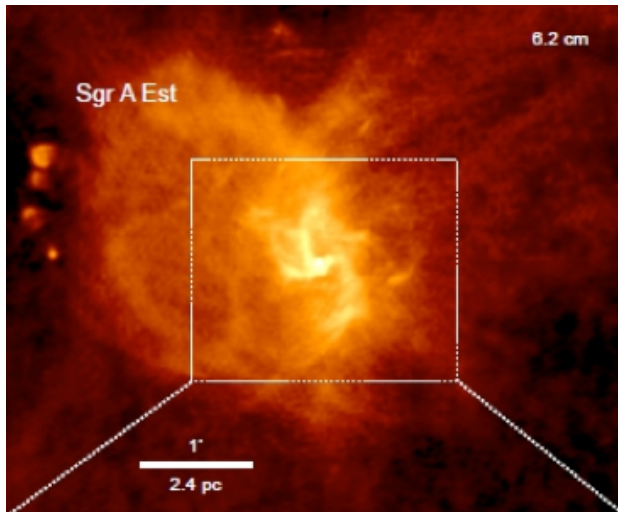
After subtracting the brightest TeV sources:

-> *diffuse emission*

-> *Emission very correlated to the matter distribution \rightarrow hadronic origin*

-> *CRs energy density: 3-9 times higher than the one measured on Earth and harder spectrum ($\Gamma=2.3$)*

A unique CR accelerator in the central pc ?



Credits: F. Yusef-Zadeh

Impulsive source:

SgrA East (Aharonian et al., 2006):

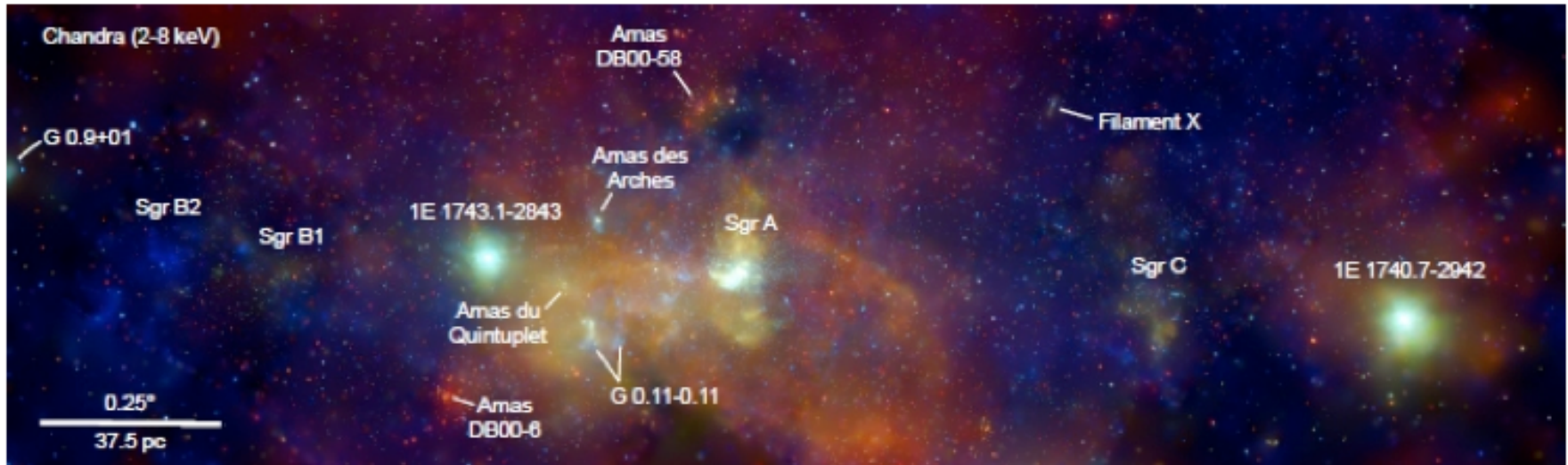
- Supernovae remnant
- located at ~ 2 pc from SgrA*
- explosion $\sim 10\,000$ years

Stationary source:

SgrA* as a CR accelerator (Liu et al (2006), Chernyakova (2011), Aharonian and Neronov (2005), Macias (2014)):

- **M** : $4 \times 10^6 M_{\text{sun}}$
(Ghez et al. (2000) and Gillesen et al. (2009))
- **L_{bolometric}** : 10^{36} erg
- **Bondi radius** : $\tau_{\text{accretion}} \sim 10^{-5} M_{\text{sun}}/\text{an}$
(Baganoff et al., 2003)
- **Intern radius** : $\tau_{\text{accretion}} \sim 10^{-7} M_{\text{sun}}/\text{an}$
(Marrone et al (2007))
- **Bondi accretion power**: 10^{39} ergs⁻¹ (Wang et al , 2013)

Multiple CR impulsive injections ?



Multiple X observations detected SNRs (Ponti G., 2015)
1keV plasma (red): can be heated to this high temperature by SNs

Credits: M. Muno, Chandra observations (few central degrees)

Temporal distribution:

- Crocker et al (2011): central value on 0.04 SN per century
- Large uncertainties ([0.02:0.08] SN per century)

Spatial distribution:

- Uniform: presence of a high number of isolated stars (Mauerhan, 2010)
- Three compact and massive cluster in the GC: the Quintuplet (3-5 Myrs), the Arches (2-3 Myrs) and the Central Cluster (4-6 Myrs)

Energy released:

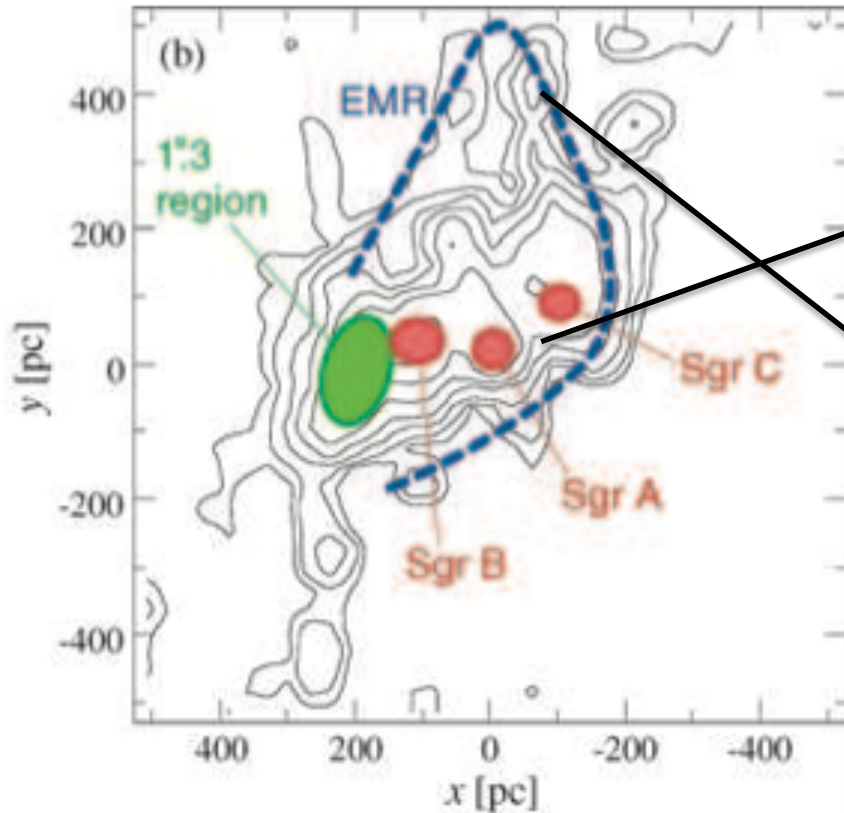
CR acceleration: 10% of E_k released by a SN (10^{51} erg) and SN rate: 0.04 per century $\rightarrow 10^{39}$ erg s^{-1}

3D modeling of the CR propagation and γ -ray photons production

3D matter distribution

Sawada (2004)

- No kinematical model
- **OH/CO ratio carries information on the position of the gas along the line of sight relative to the continuum source**
- $M_{\text{tot}} = 20 \times 10^6 M_{\text{sun}}$ (ferriere K. 2007): lower edge of total mass estimations



Well known gas structure in the center

Larger spread along the line of sight

CR diffusion

- Injection: Power law $Q = N_0 E^{-2}$
- Propagation: Transport equation

$D = D_{10\text{TeV}} (E/10 \text{ TeV})^{0.3}$, $D_{10\text{TeV}} = 5 \times 10^{29} \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$ (interstellar medium value):

- High value compare to other studies that rule out the possibility of individual localized accelerators (Wommer et al, 2008)
- High diffusion coefficient \rightarrow Neglecting the convection \rightarrow diffusion equation

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + (\vec{u} - \vec{\nabla})f + \vec{\nabla} \vec{J} = Q$$

$$\vec{J} = -D \vec{\nabla} f$$

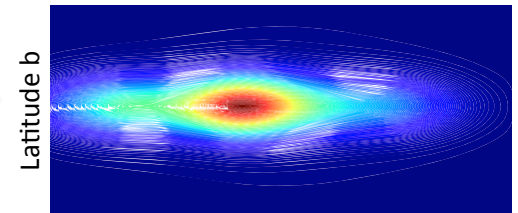
- Two solutions: impulsive (SNR) and stationary (SgrA*)

- 3D box: $500 \text{ pc} \times 500 \text{ pc} \times 50 \text{ pc}$
- E_{CR} : 1 TeV to 1 PeV

By summing over all the energies of the incident protons \rightarrow γ -ray spectrum



2D map (l,b)



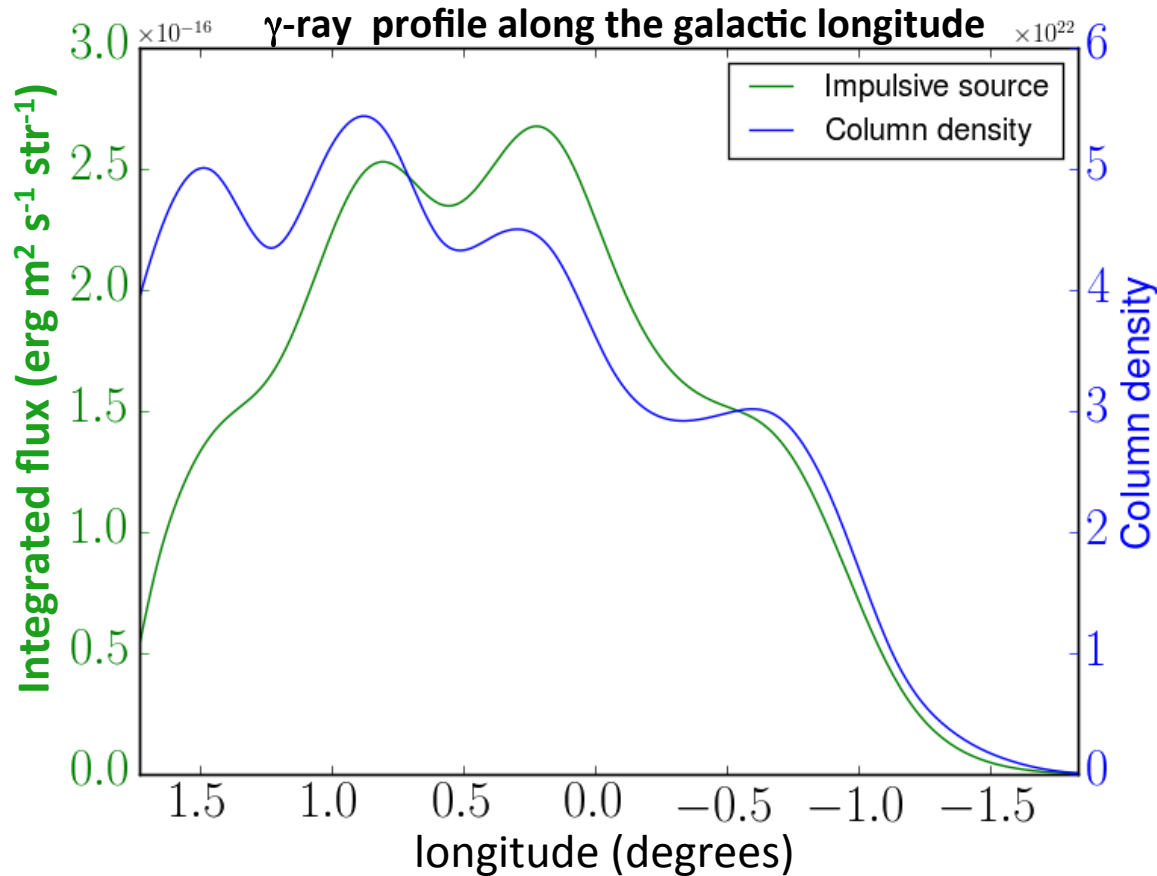
Integration along the line of sight

Comparison data/model on 1D VHE γ profile

Single accelerator at the CG

Stationary or impulsive?

- Impulsive source that exploded 10 kyrs ago (SgrA East)
- Stationary source (SrgA*)



Impulsive source: CR emitted 10 kyrs ago \rightarrow flat CR profile \rightarrow γ -ray emission follows the matter distribution

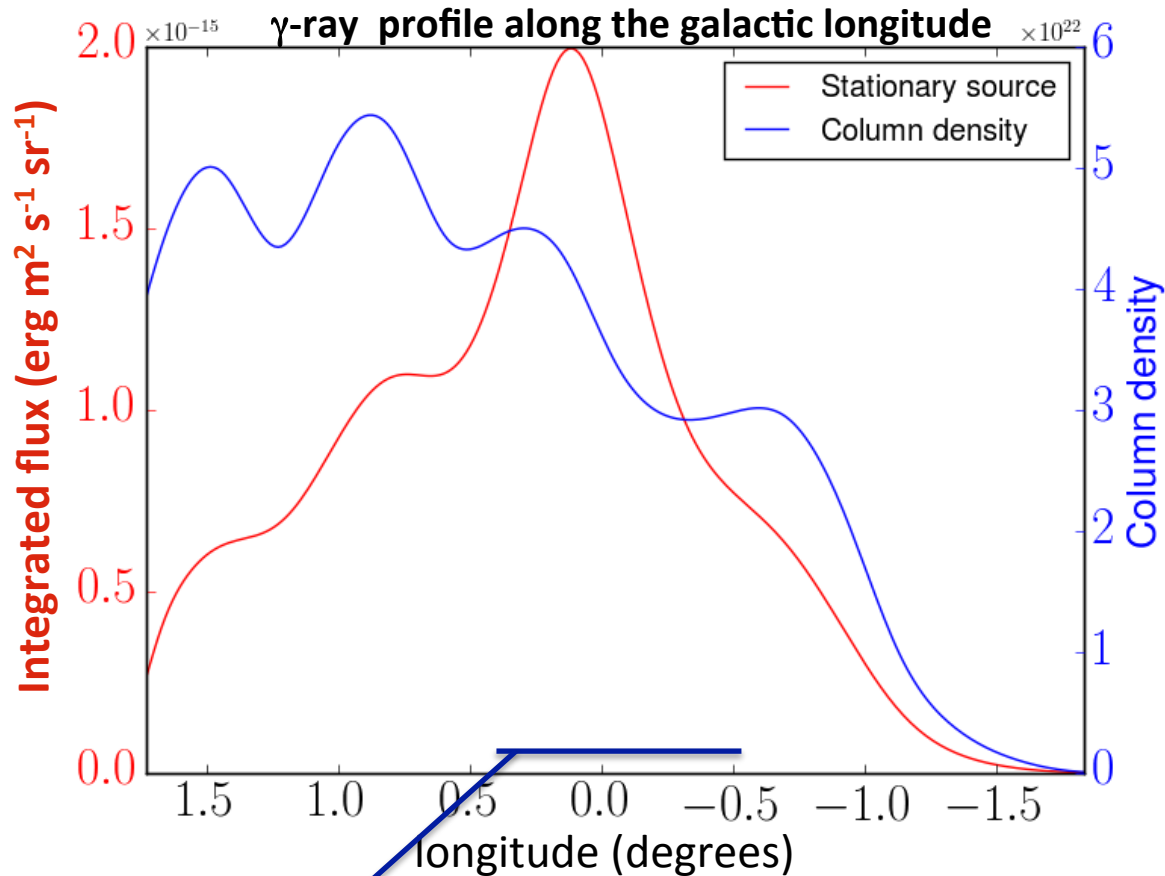
Stationary source:

- profile more peaked on the source itself
- Profile decreases at large distances due to a more spread ISM

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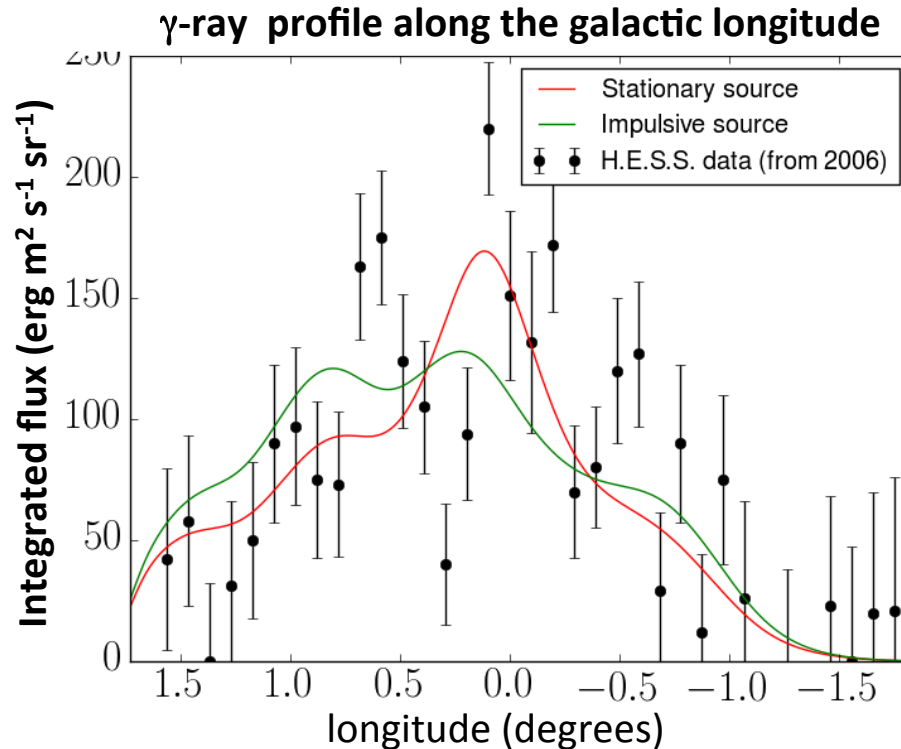
- Profile more peaked toward the source
- Profile decreases at large distances due to a more spread ISM

$r < \text{mean free path} \rightarrow$ ballistic regime

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- **Given the low statistic available so far, neither the impulsive or stationary hypothesis may still be excluded**
- Stationary source: Intrinsic power needed for CR acceleration $\approx 3 \times 10^{38} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$ (30% of the Bondi accretion power)
- Impulsive source: 10% of E_k for CR acceleration requires a higher total mass

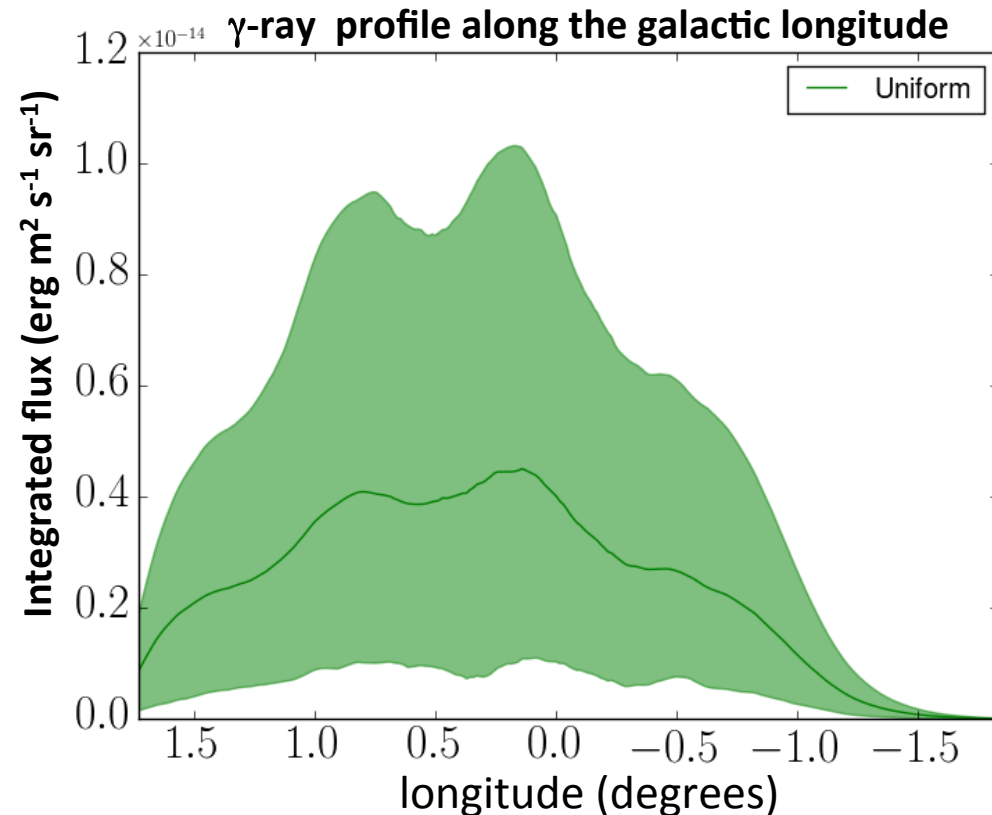
SNRs in the region

Temporal distribution: Poisson law of recurrence time=2500 yrs, $t_{\text{SNR}} > 1$ kyrs and < 100 kyrs.

Spatial distribution: 1) homogeneous cylinder ($r=150$ pc and $z=-10$ to 10 pc) and 2) homogeneous cylinder + concentration of the SNs in the two cluster: Quintuplet and Central

100 temporal and spatial distributions

Solid line: median of the γ ray profiles + spread around this median



- Profile highly dependent on each SNs spatial and temporal distribution
- More realistic distribution of SNRs (with the two clusters): makes the distribution peaked on the GC

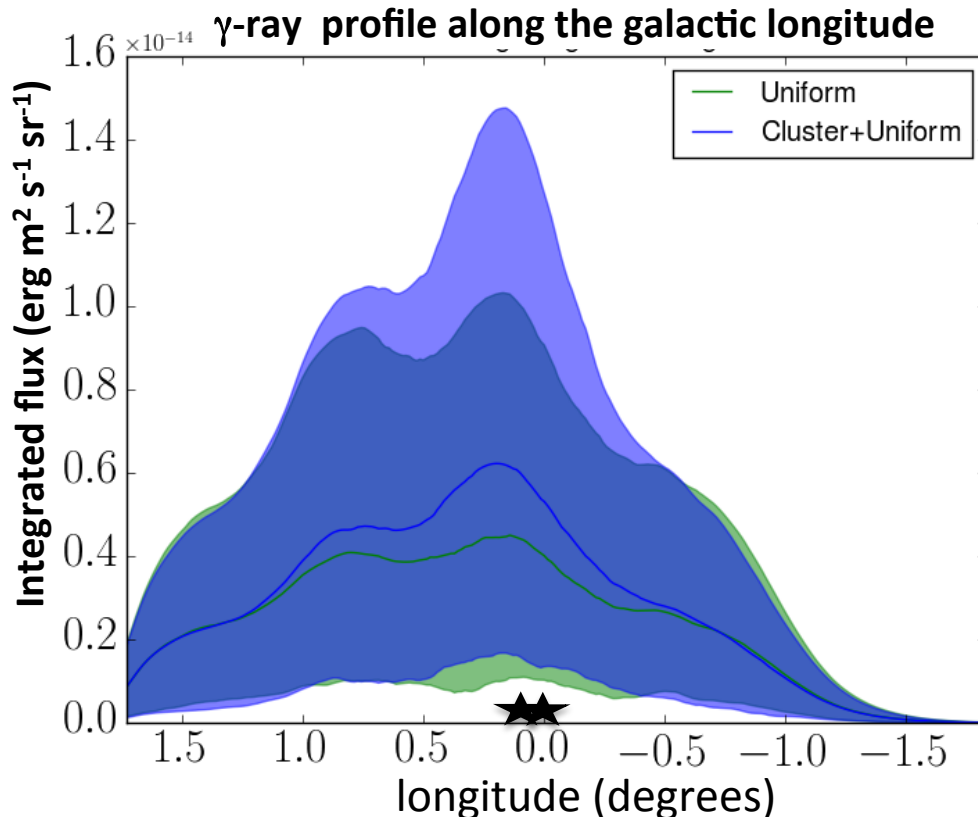
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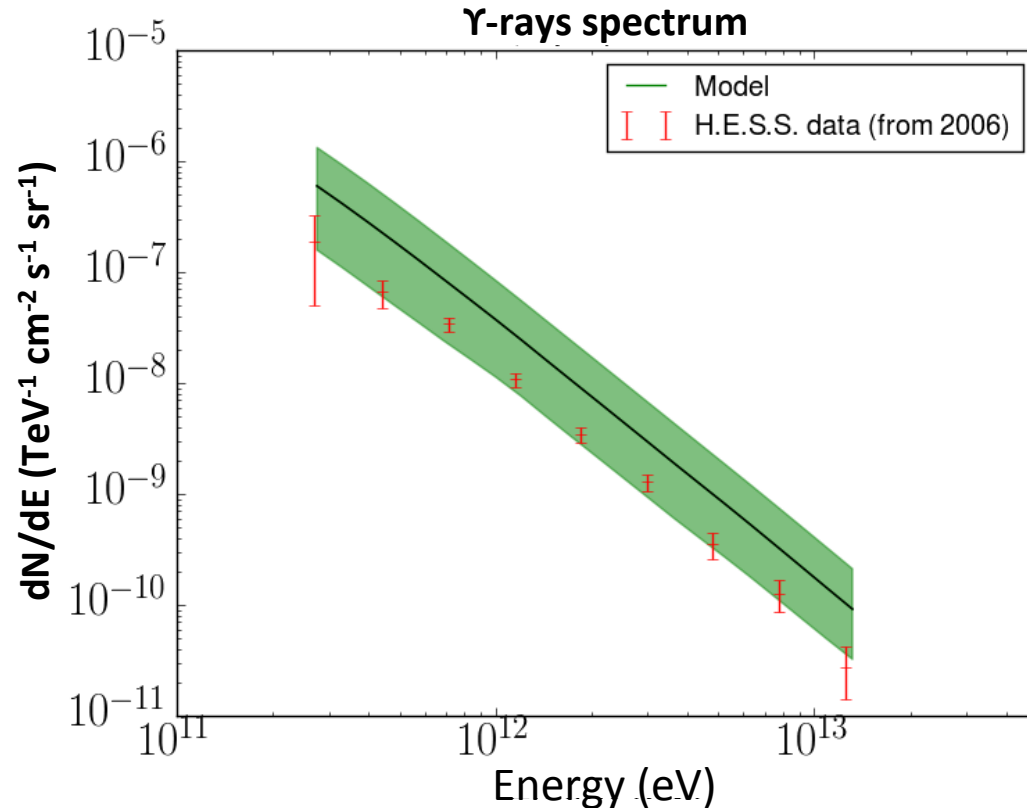
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SNRs contribution to the total flux

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SNRs can reproduce the total flux



In order not to overproduce the flux:

- Higher recurrence time ?
- Lower efficiency for CR acceleration?
Very hot medium → shock weakly supersonic
- Propagation
 - Advection
 - Anisotropic diffusion?

Conclusions

- Single accelerator at the center (stationary or impulsive): both can explain the existing H.E.S.S. data (2004-2006).
- SNRs contribution can not be neglected:
 - Already re(over)produce the total flux
 - > SNR rate?
 - > SNR efficiency?
 - > Propagation?
 - An excess toward the GC is expected regarding the spatial distribution
- Is the single source accelerator at the GC necessary?

Thanks for your attention

Ballistic propagation vs diffusion

When $r_{\text{larmor}} \approx \lambda$

-> Diffusion characterized by a random walk of mean free path $l=3D/c$:

$E=1 \text{ TeV} \rightarrow l \approx 7 \text{ pc}$

$E=10 \text{ TeV} \rightarrow l \approx 15 \text{ pc}$

$E=100 \text{ TeV} \rightarrow l \approx 30 \text{ pc}$

$E=1 \text{ PeV} \rightarrow l \approx 60 \text{ pc}$

$L_{\text{box}}=250 \text{ pc}$

$$D=D_0 E^d$$

$$\rightarrow d=0.3$$

$$\rightarrow D_0=5 \cdot 10^{29} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

How to model the CRs propagation and γ rays production for $r < l$ (ballistic regime)?

Diffusion vs advection

SNR in filling the Galactic center region:

Crocker et al (2011), Tova M. Yoast-Hull (2014): **high speed wind** ($v = 400 - 1000 \text{ km s}^{-1}$)

$$H_{\text{advection}} = 50 \text{ pc} \rightarrow \tau_{\text{advection}} = H_{\text{advection}}/v = \mathbf{50\,000 \text{ yrs}}$$

$$H_{\text{diff}} = 50 \text{ pc} \rightarrow \tau_{\text{diffusion}} = H_{\text{diff}}^2/D:$$

- $E = 1 \text{ TeV} \rightarrow \tau_{\text{diffusion}} \approx 1000 \text{ yrs}$
- $E = 10 \text{ TeV} \rightarrow \tau_{\text{diffusion}} \approx 500 \text{ yrs}$
- $E = 100 \text{ TeV} \rightarrow \tau_{\text{diffusion}} \approx 200 \text{ yrs}$
- $E = 1 \text{ PeV} \rightarrow \tau_{\text{diffusion}} \approx 100 \text{ yrs}$

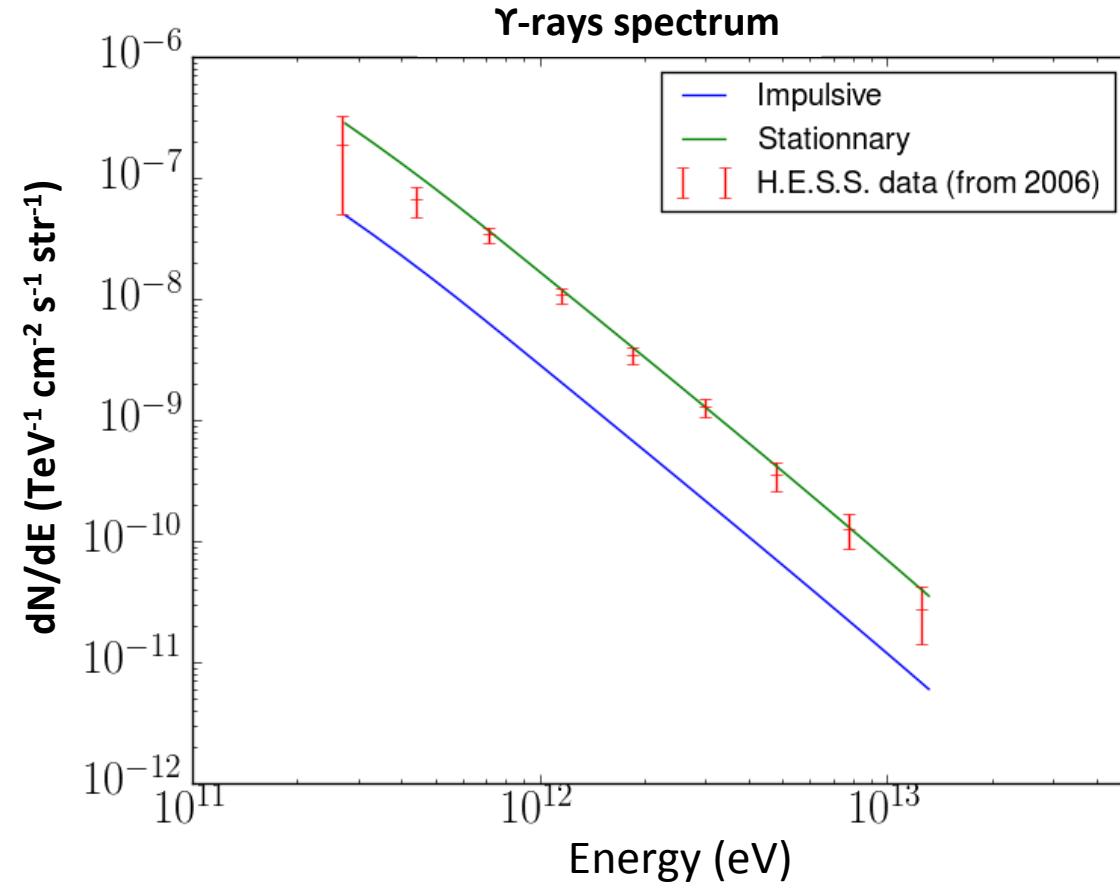
Advection doesn't seem to play a major role for the H.E.S.S. energy, how to evacuate the CRs injected by the SNRs?

- SNR rate ?
- efficiency?
- Diffusion ?

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