

Constraining the production of cosmic rays by pulsars

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Hadronic Cosmic Rays



Required luminosity of CR sources: $L \simeq 10^{41}$ erg/s



Proven to be produced in supernova remnants (SNR W44, IC 433)



Some issues remain unsolved: not clear if enough, observed spectra are softer than theoretical etc.



Other sources also possible (superbubbles, pulsars)

Ackermann et al'11

Neronov, Semikoz (1201.1660)

$$L \simeq 10^{41} \frac{\text{erg}}{\text{s}} \left[\frac{\mathcal{E}_{CR}^{tot}}{2 \times 10^{50} \text{ erg}} \right] \left[\frac{\mathcal{R}_{SN}}{1/50 \text{ yr}^{-1}} \right]$$

$$E_{rot} = \frac{I_{NS} \Omega^2}{2} \simeq 2 \times 10^{50} \text{ erg} \left[\frac{I_{NS}}{10^{45} \text{ gcm}^2} \right] \left[\frac{10 \text{ ms}}{P_{ini}} \right]^2$$

Pulsars



May have enough initial rotation energy



Are well-established sources of e^+e^- CRs;
theory predicts that ions have even bigger energy

Hoshino, Gallant, Arons et al'92-94



Hard to extract the hadronic flux



There should be large (~ 100 pc)
diffusive gamma-ray halos around young pulsars



Neronov and Semikoz ([1201.1660](#)):
blind search for gamma-ray halos \Rightarrow pulsars +, SNR -

Diffusive gamma-ray halos



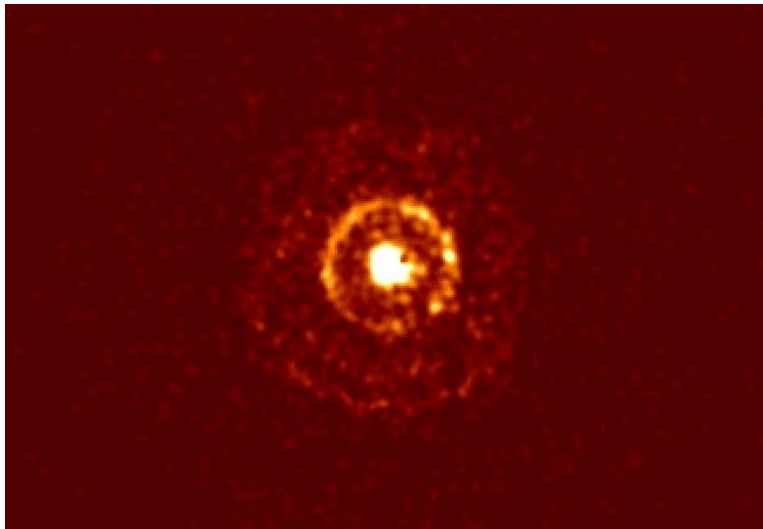
Size:

$$r_{CR} \simeq 2\sqrt{DT_{SD}}$$

$$D = D_{28} \times 10^{28} \left[\frac{E_{CR}}{3 \text{ GeV}} \right]^\delta \text{ cm}^2/\text{s},$$

$$\delta = 0.4 \pm 0.1,$$

$$r_{CR} \simeq 120 \times D_{28}^{1/2} \left[\frac{T_{SD}}{10 \text{ kyr}} \right]^{1/2} \left[\frac{E_{CR}}{1 \text{ TeV}} \right]^{0.2} \text{ pc}$$



* this picture may or may not represent the actual halo

$$R_{halo} = \frac{r_{CR}}{r_s}$$

$$\simeq 1.4^\circ D_{28}^{1/2} \left[\frac{5 \text{ kpc}}{r_s} \right] \left[\frac{T_{SD}}{10 \text{ kyr}} \right]^{1/2} \left[\frac{E_\gamma}{200 \text{ GeV}} \right]^{0.2}$$

$\sim 1 \text{ TeV}$ in CRs



Luminosity:

$$L_\gamma^{E_\gamma \gtrsim 1 \text{ GeV}} \sim \kappa \frac{\mathcal{E}_{CR}^{halo}}{t_{int}}$$

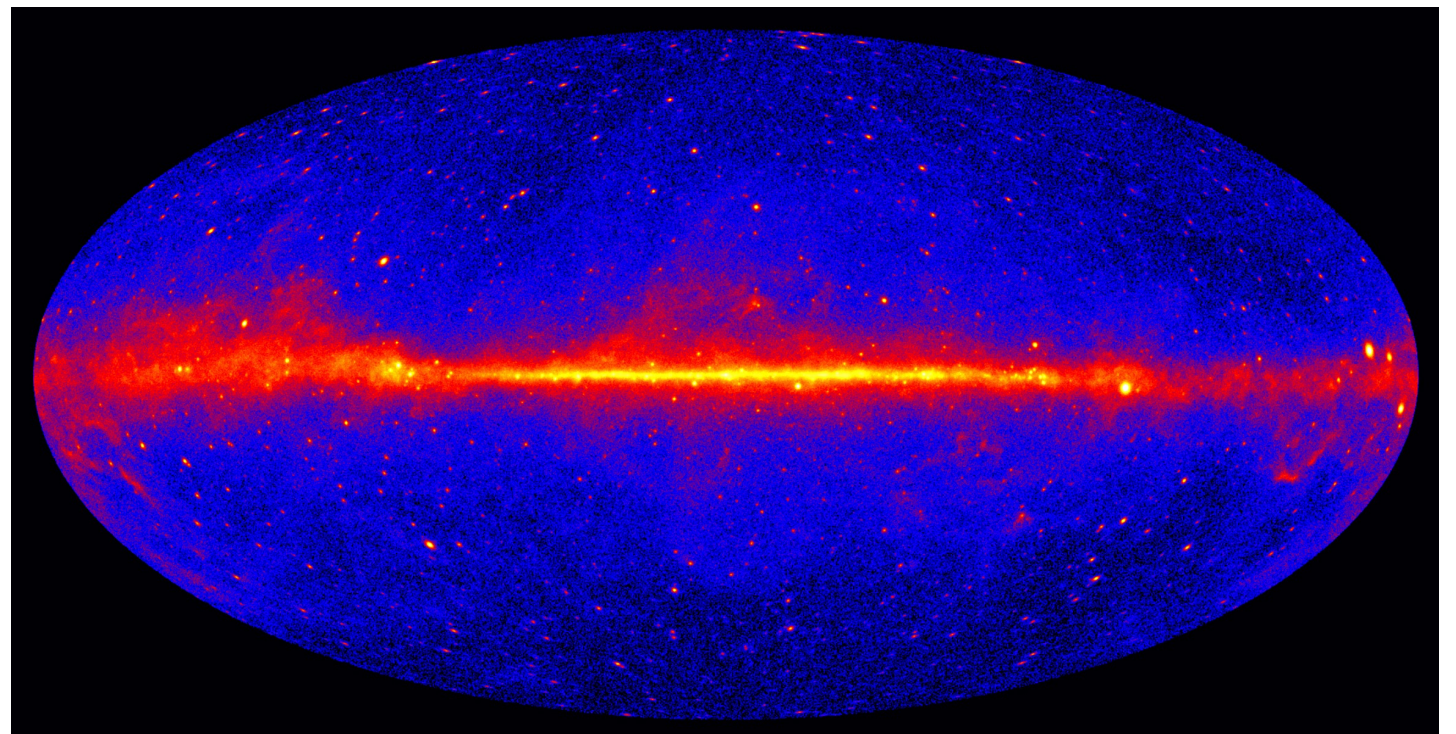
$$\simeq 4 \times 10^{34} \left[\frac{\kappa}{0.2} \right] \left[\frac{\mathcal{E}_{CR}^{halo}}{2 \times 10^{50} \text{ erg}} \right] \left[\frac{n_{ISM}}{1 \text{ cm}^{-3}} \right] \frac{\text{erg}}{\text{s}}$$

Pulsar sample

● Young and close $T_{SD} < 30 \text{ kyr}, \quad r_s < 5 \text{ kpc}$

● Away from the Galactic plane and center

$$15^\circ < l < 345^\circ, \quad |b| > 1^\circ$$



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Credits: ATNF

Method

- 7 year Fermi-LAT data and Ferm-LAT software

For each pulsar:

- Take all known 3FGL sources within 10° but allow their parameters to vary during *gtlike* (likelihood optimization routine)

- Add to the source model uniformly bright round halo with a desired radius $0.1^\circ - 5^\circ$ with a power-law spectrum

- Split the data into 3 energy bins (the size is different!)

1 - 10 GeV, 10 - 100 GeV, and 100 - 500 GeV

- gtlike* it and check out the fit

- Study the distribution of Test Statistics

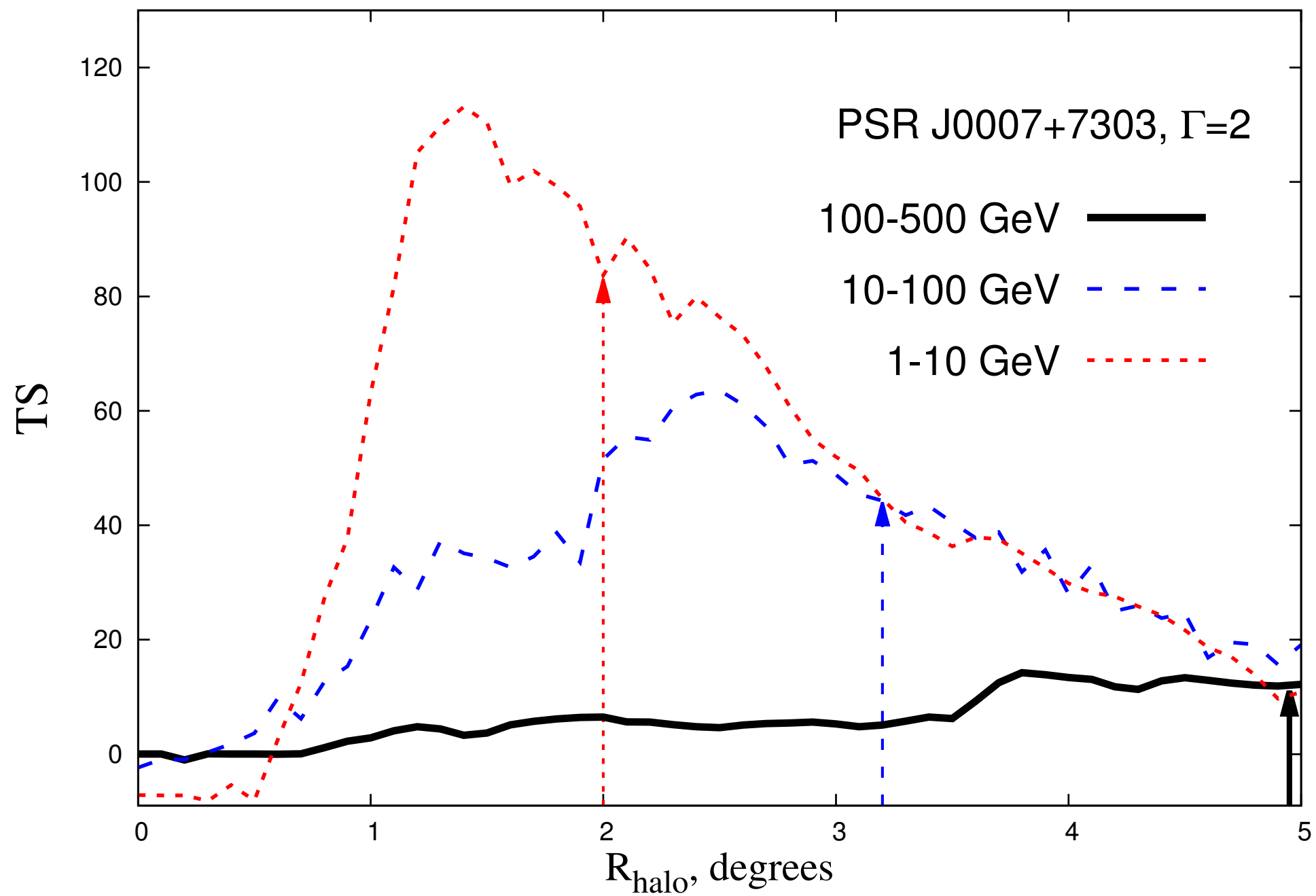
$$TS = -2 \ln \frac{L_{max,0}}{L_{max,1}}$$

no halo

w/ halo

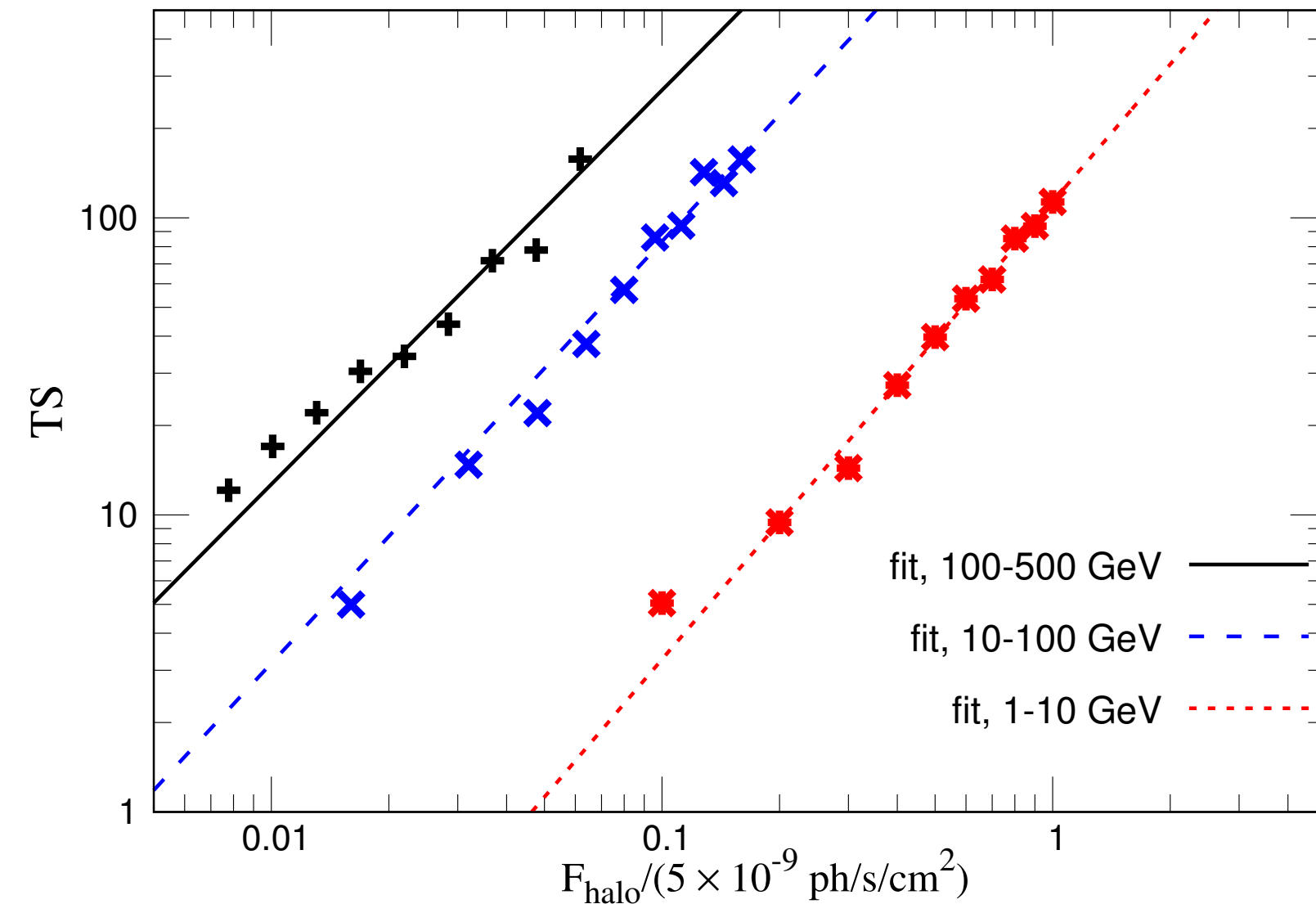
n.b. Rule of thumb: $\# \text{ of } \sigma \approx \sqrt{TS}$

Simulations



Input a halo ➡ Simulate with *gtobssim* ➡ Analyze like real data

Simulations: TS (flux) scaling



best fits:

$$TS_{1-10} \simeq 100 \left[\frac{F^{1-10 \text{ GeV}}}{4.6 \times 10^{-9} \text{ ph/cm}^2 \text{ s}} \right]^{b_1},$$

$$b_1 = 1.54 \pm 0.06,$$

$$TS_{10-100} \simeq 100 \left[\frac{F^{10-100 \text{ GeV}}}{5.7 \times 10^{-10} \text{ ph/cm}^2 \text{ s}} \right]^{b_2},$$

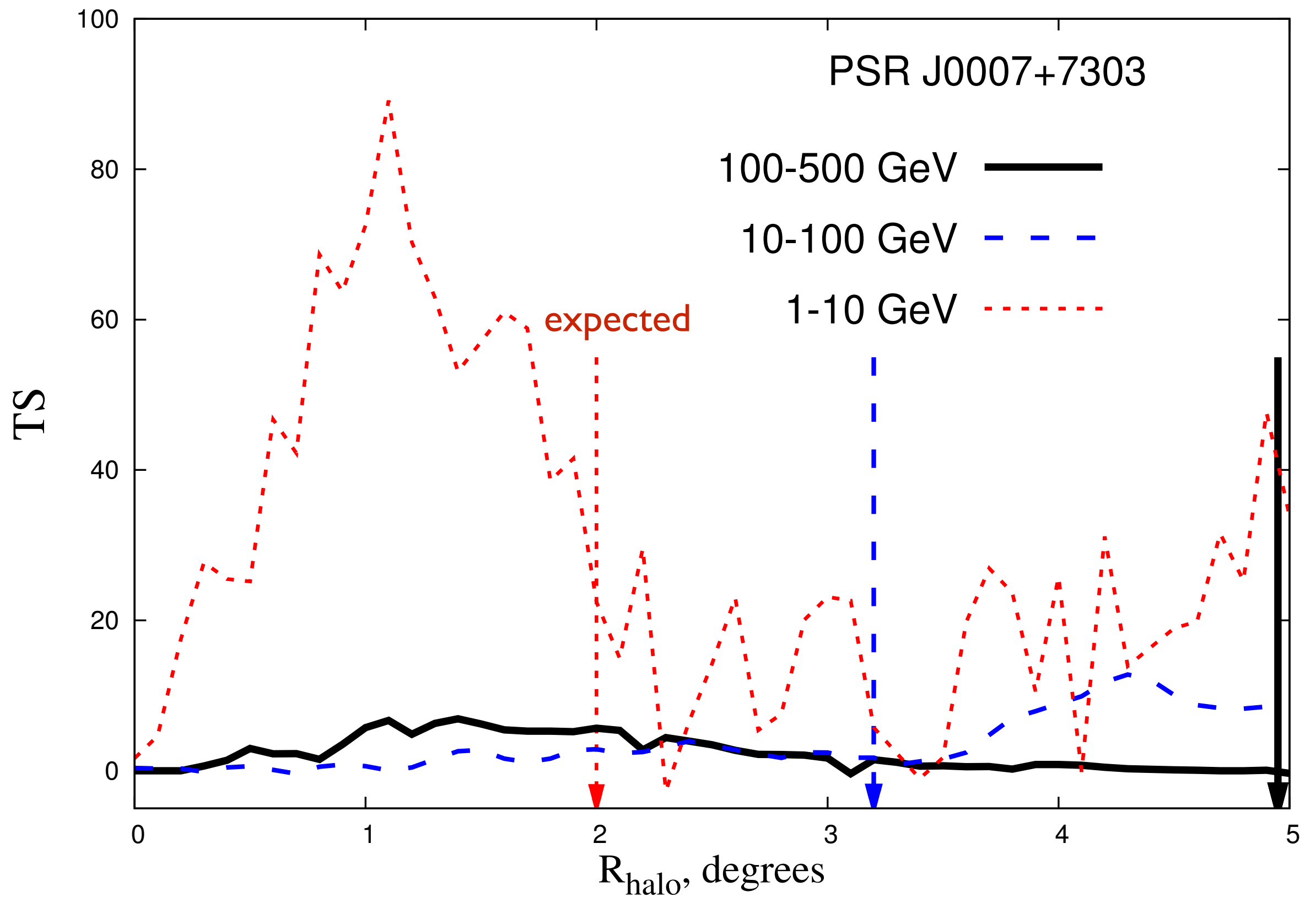
$$b_2 = 1.42 \pm 0.14,$$

$$TS_{100-500} \simeq 100 \left[\frac{F^{100-500 \text{ GeV}}}{2.4 \times 10^{-10} \text{ ph/cm}^2 \text{ s}} \right]^{b_3},$$

$$b_3 = 1.33 \pm 0.10.$$

a halo with a given flux
yields detection @ which TS ?

Results



PSR J0007+7307

$\sim 10\sigma$

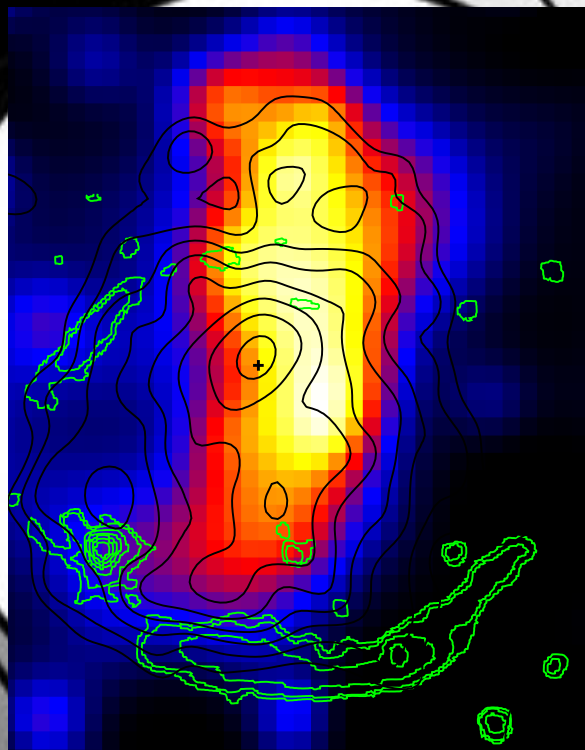
detection of 1-degree halo

There are already
PWN and SNR
around this pulsar

but might also be a halo!
one has to disentangle
between other sources there

$$L_{\gamma}^{E_{\gamma} \geq 1 \text{ GeV}} \simeq 3.0 \times 10^{33} \text{ erg/s}.$$

$$\mathcal{E}_{CR}^{halo} \sim (2 - 4) \times 10^{50} \text{ erg}.$$



$$F^{1-10 \text{ GeV}} = (3.53 \pm 0.23) \times 10^{-9} \text{ photons/cm}^2\text{s},$$
$$\Gamma = 2.798 \pm 0.081.$$

Preliminary

PSR J0007+7307

x-rays
ROSAT

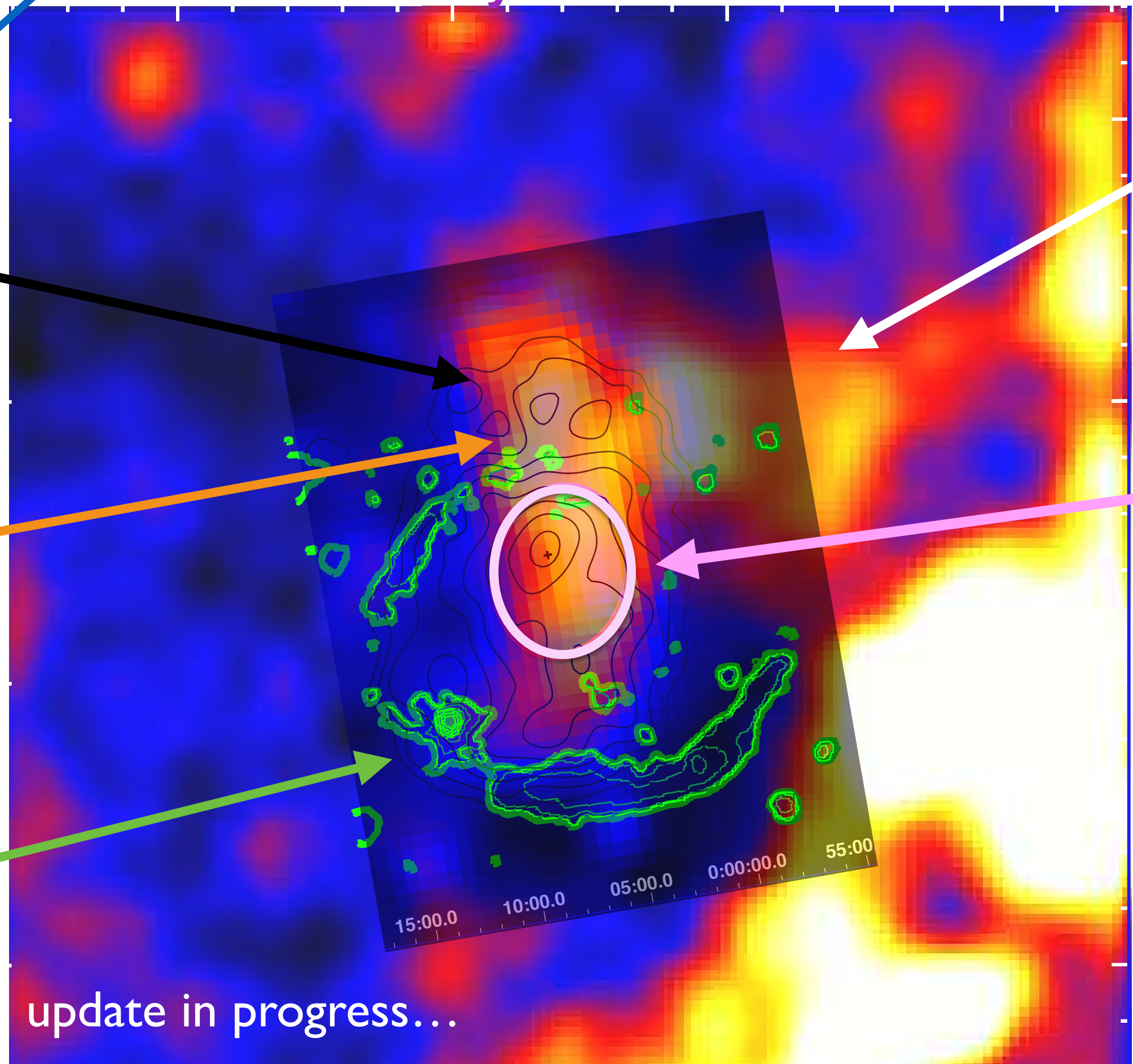
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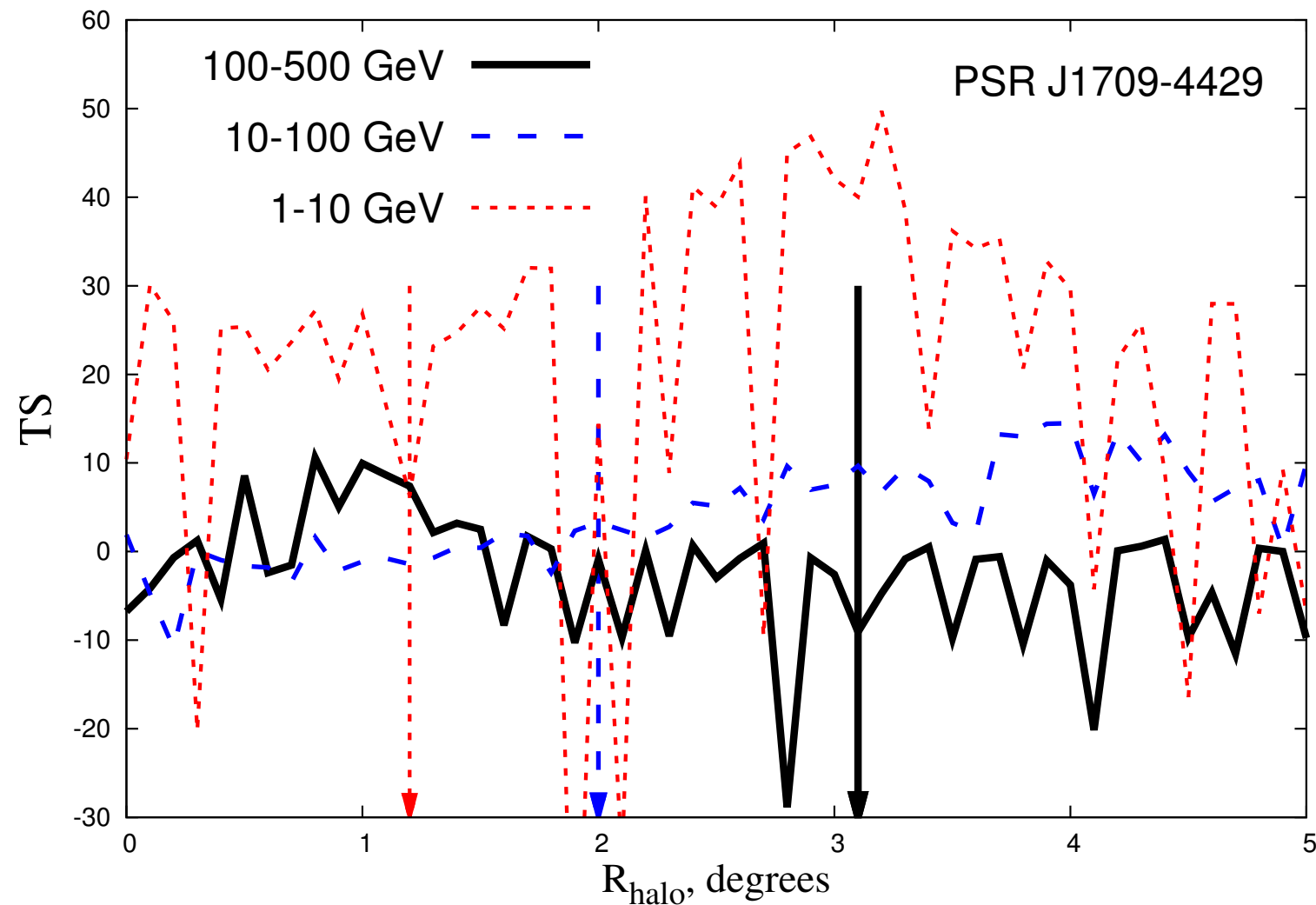


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Constraints

No halo seen for other pulsars



Nonobservation
of halos:

$$TS_{1-10} < 50$$

\Rightarrow

$$F^{1-10 \text{ GeV}} < 3.0 \times 10^{-9} \text{ ph/cm}^2\text{s}$$

$$L_{\gamma}^{\text{halo}} \lesssim (1 - 2) \times 10^{34} \text{ erg/s}$$

Discussion

$$\frac{\mathcal{E}_{CR}^{halo}}{2 \times 10^{50} \text{ erg}} \simeq \left[\frac{L_{\gamma}^{halo}}{2 \times 10^{34} \text{ erg/s}} \right] \left[\frac{1 \text{ cm}^{-3}}{n_{ISM}} \right]$$

Nonobservation of halos
(fixed ISM density):

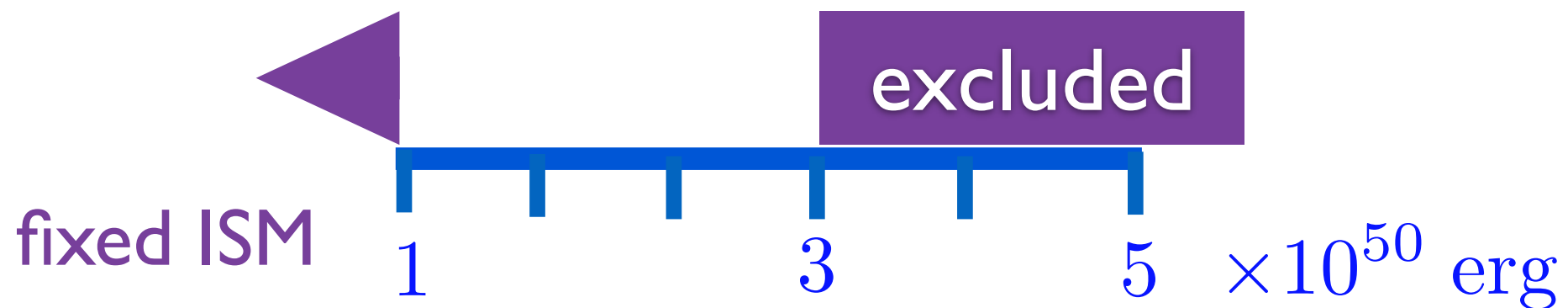
$$L_{\gamma}^{halo} \lesssim (1 - 2) \times 10^{34} \text{ erg/s}$$

$$\mathcal{E}_{CR}^{halo} \lesssim (0.5 - 1) \times 10^{50} \text{ erg}$$

Degeneracy with ISM
density:






$$n_{ISM} \simeq 0.3 \div 1 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

$$\mathcal{E}_{CR}^{halo} \lesssim (0.5 - 3) \times 10^{50} \text{ erg}$$



we need to explain all CRs with pulsars
(scatter = uncertainty in birthrates: 1 per 30-120 yr)

Conclusions:

-  Pulsars might be sources of hadronic CRs:
diffusive gamma-ray halos to test this scenario
-  One candidate is found, thorough study required
-  Apart from that,
no definitive diffusive gamma-ray halos were found
-  Bounds on luminosity → bounds on CR flux
-  Pulsars are pinned down as main CR factories
(not completely ruled out though!
beware of degeneracies and uncertainties)

Thank you for your attention !



Backup slides

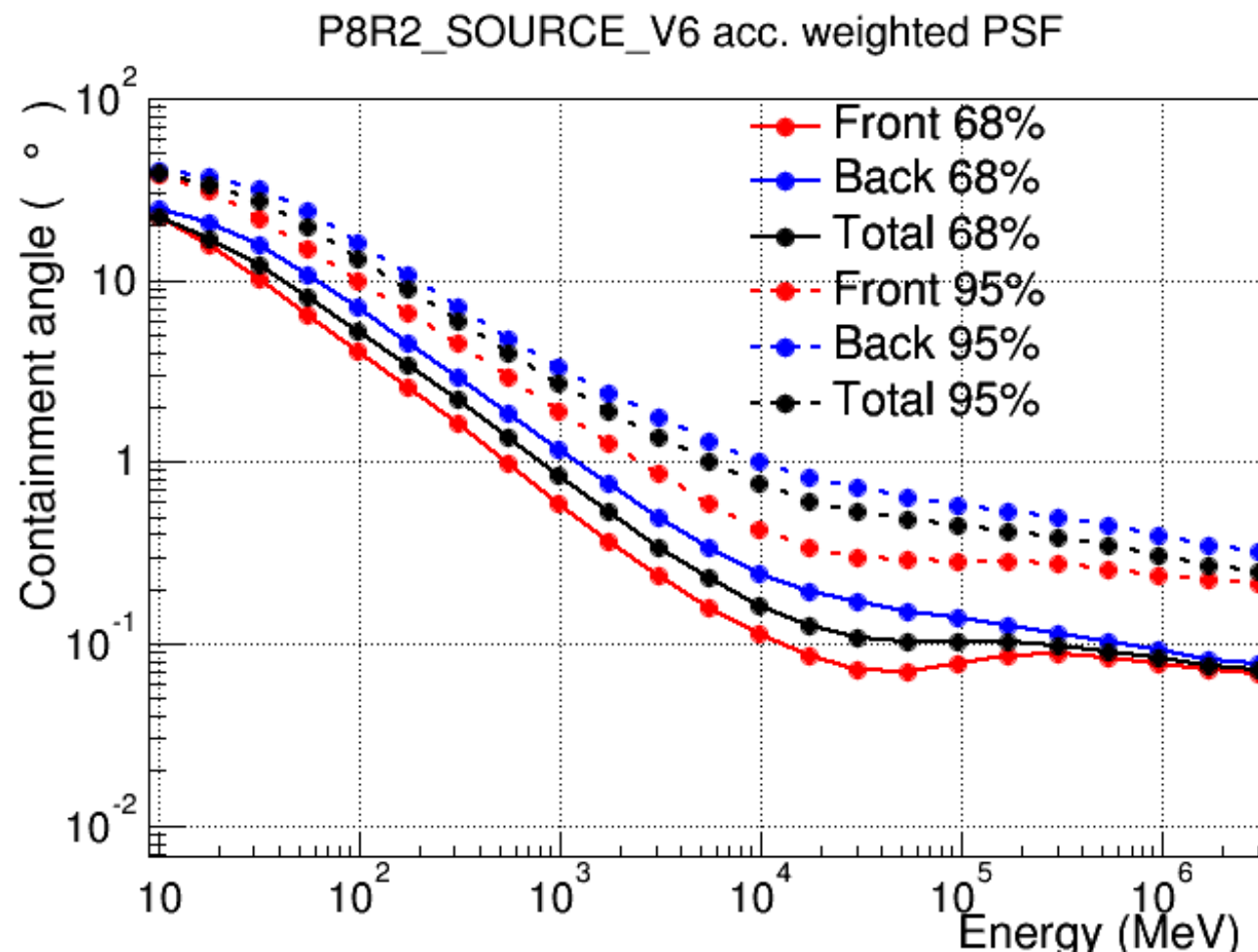
Why only above 1 GeV?

1) @ 1 GeV the two coincide

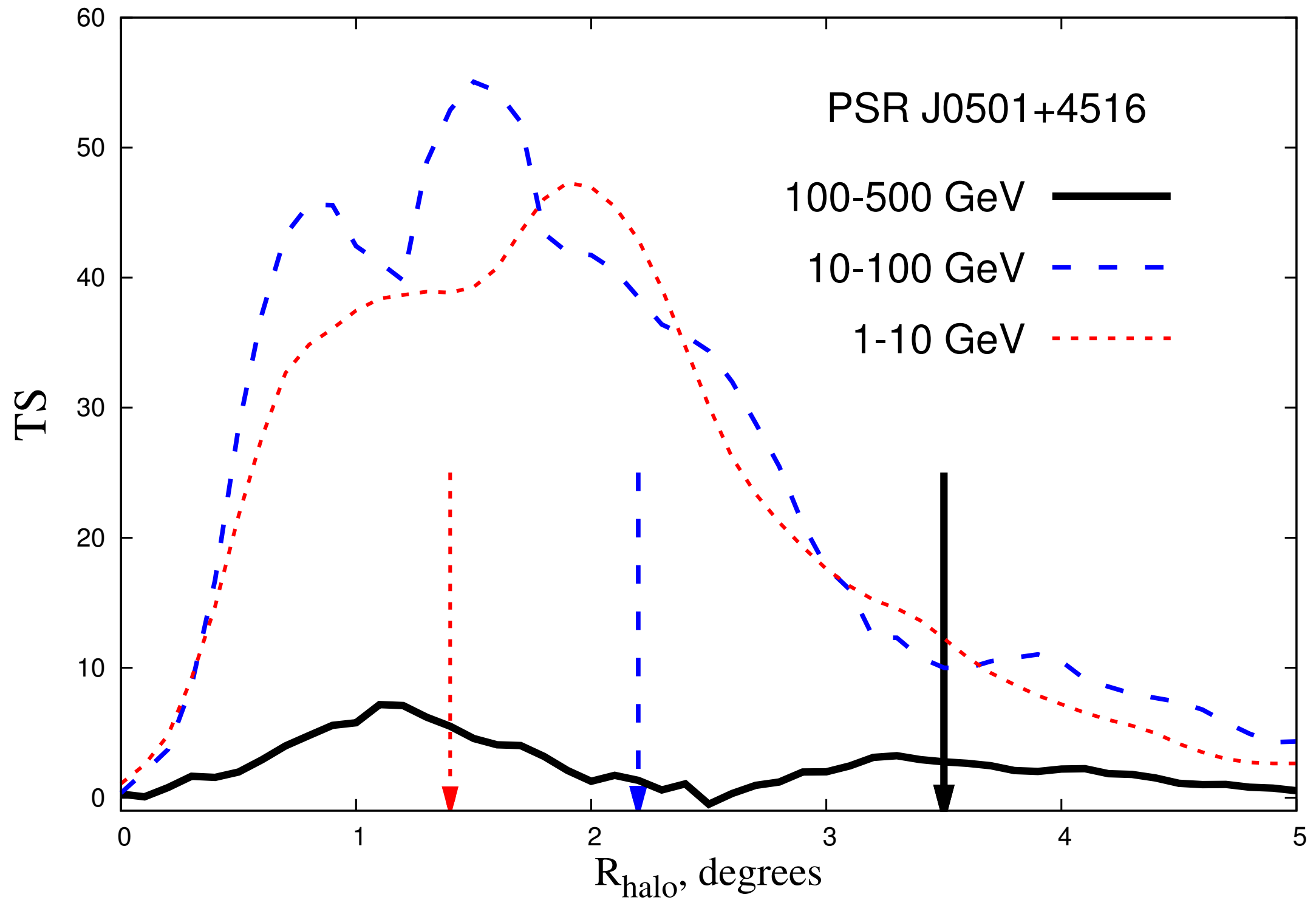
$$R_{SNR} = \frac{r_{SNR}}{r_s} \simeq 0.1^\circ \left[\frac{5 \text{ kpc}}{r_s} \right] \left[\frac{t}{10 \text{ kyr}} \right]^{0.4} \times \left[\frac{\mathcal{E}_{SN}}{10^{51} \text{ erg}} \right]^{0.2} \left[\frac{1 \text{ cm}^{-3}}{n_{ISM}} \right]^{0.2}$$

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2) LAT PSF is big: localization capability reduced



Supernova example



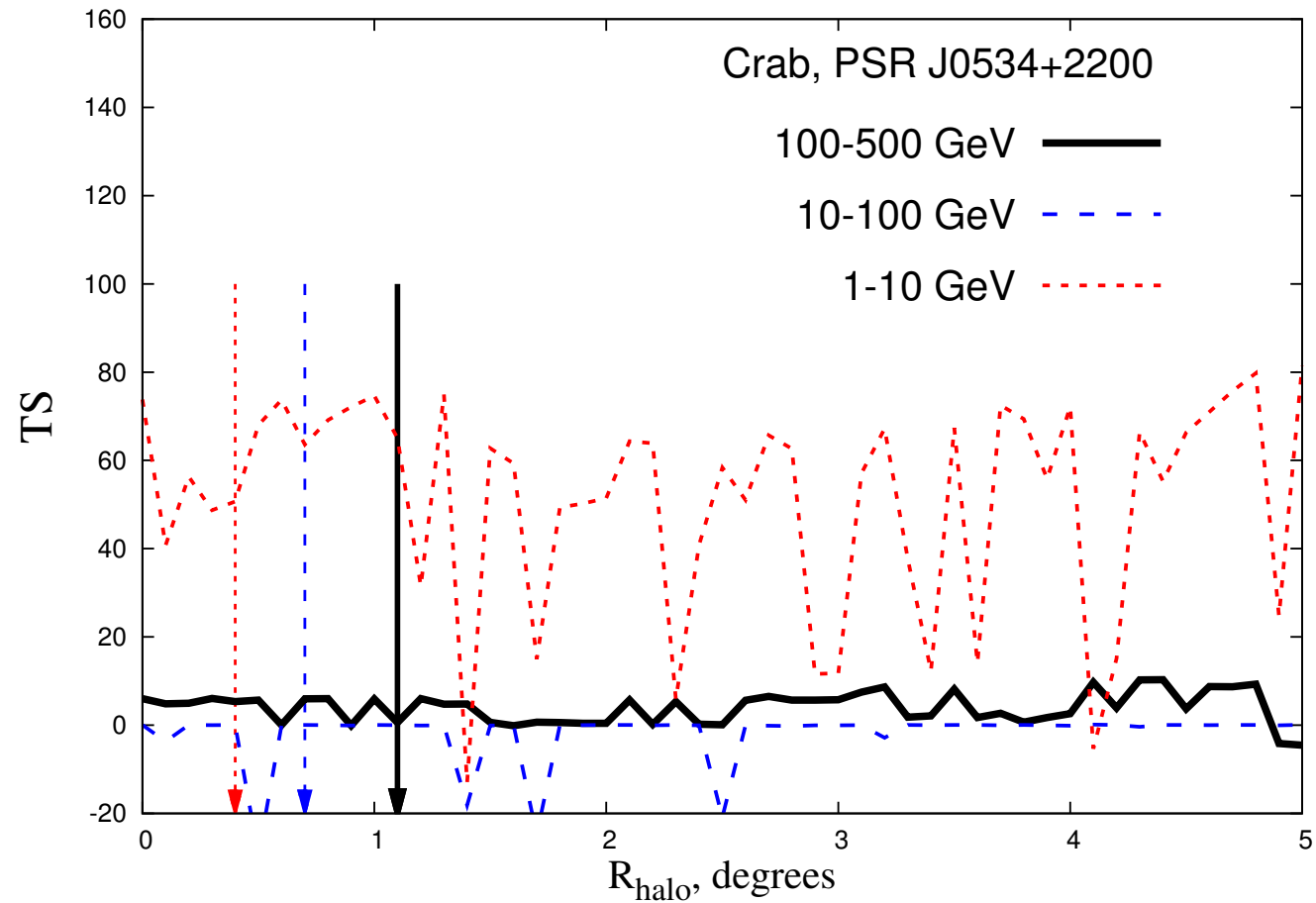
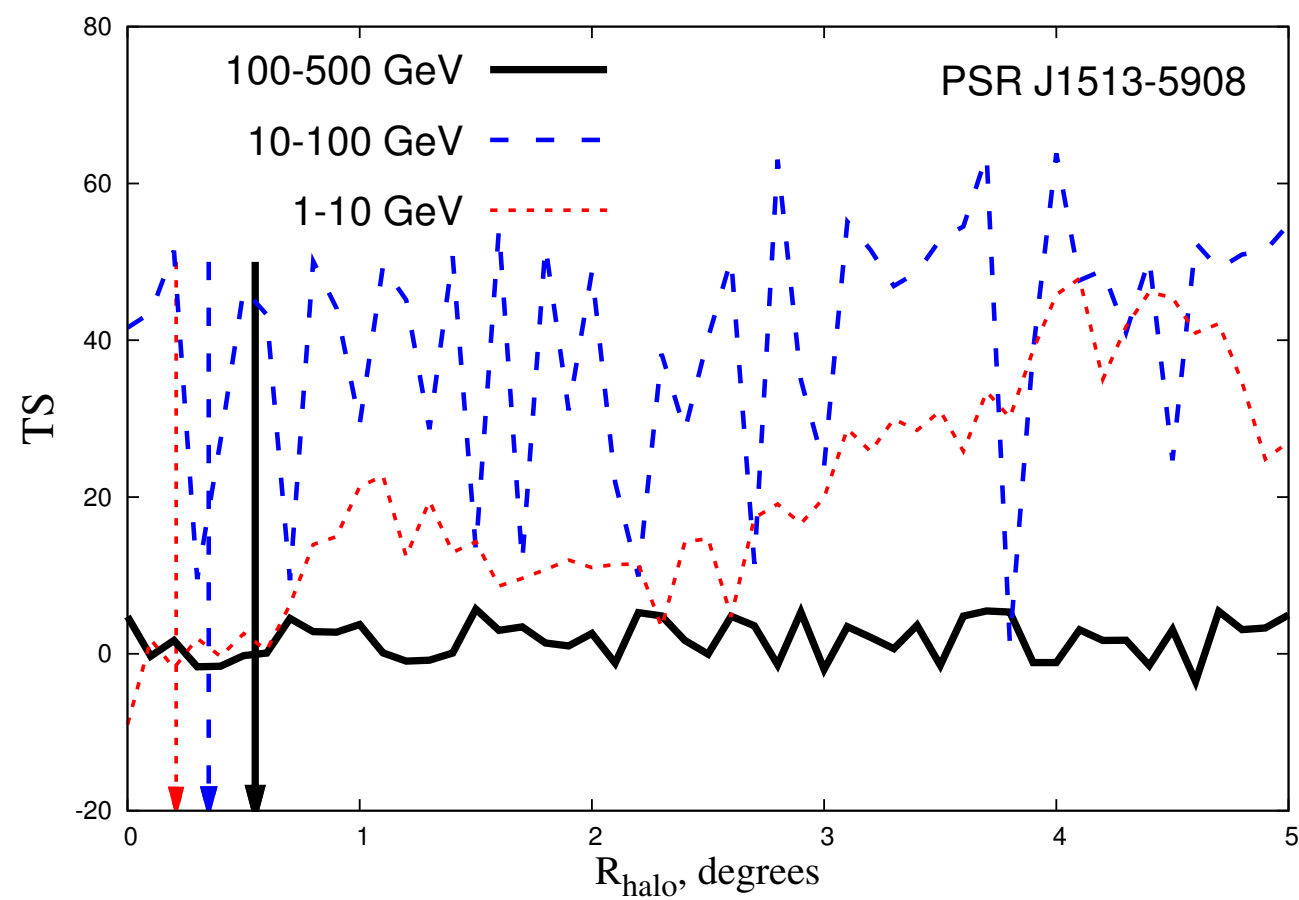
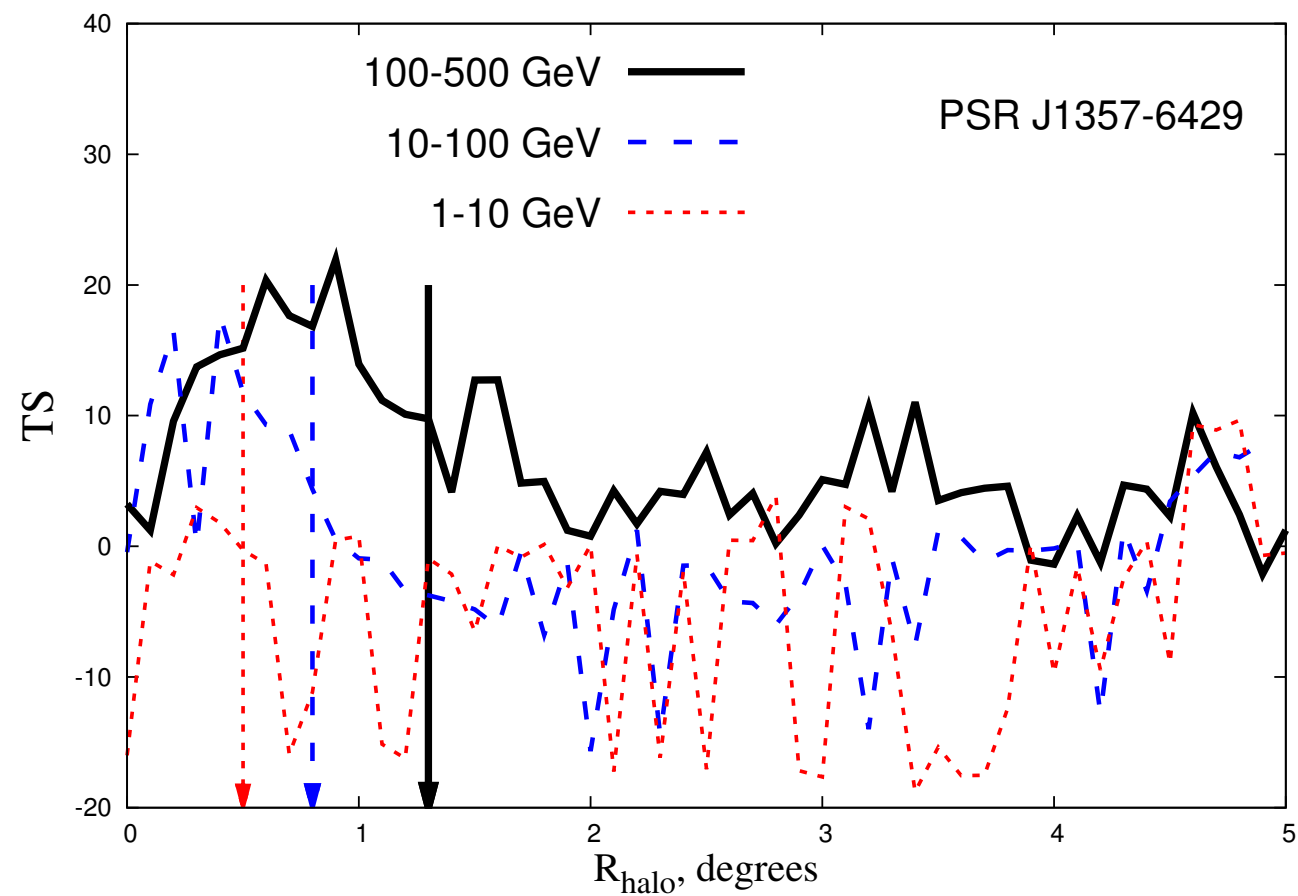
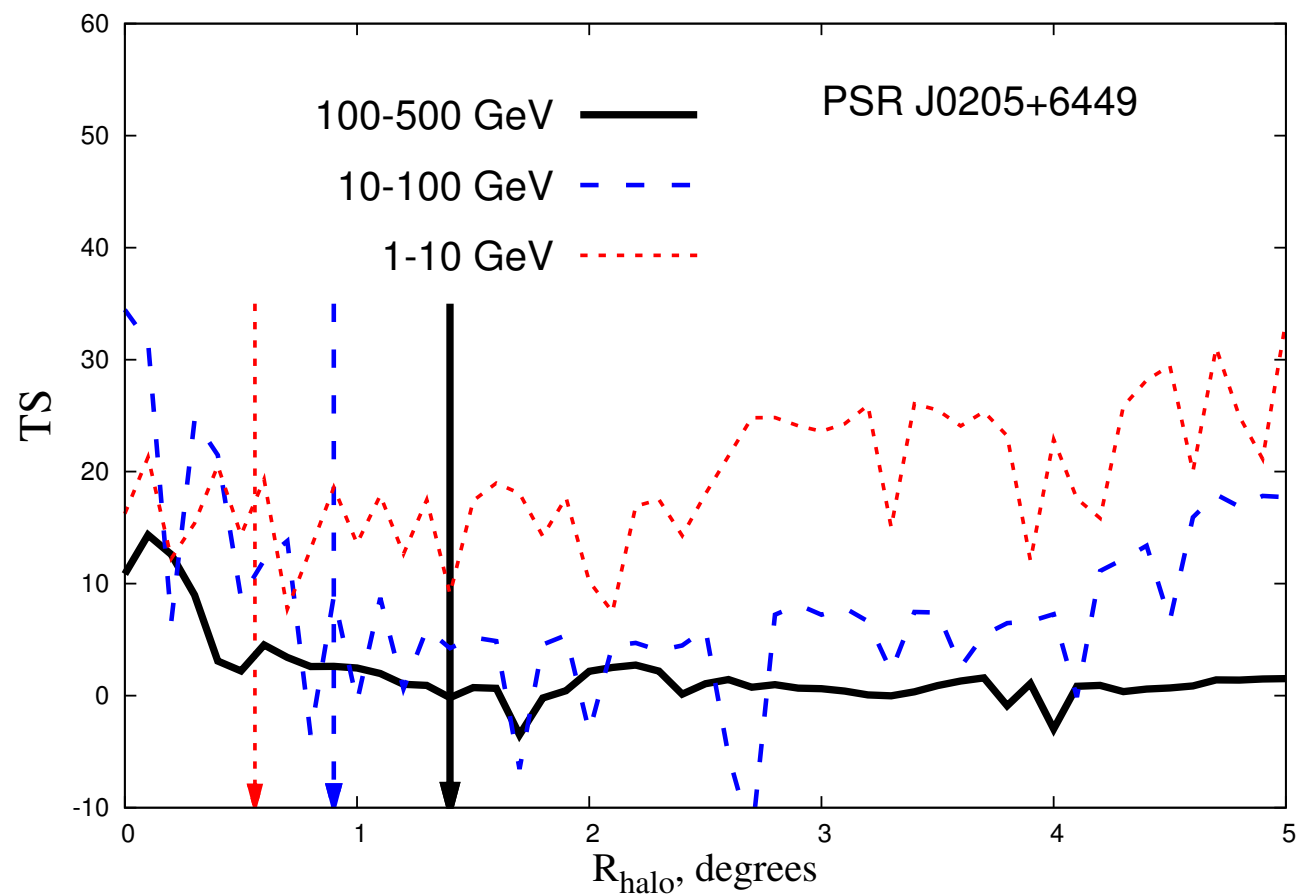
SNR G160.4 + 02.8

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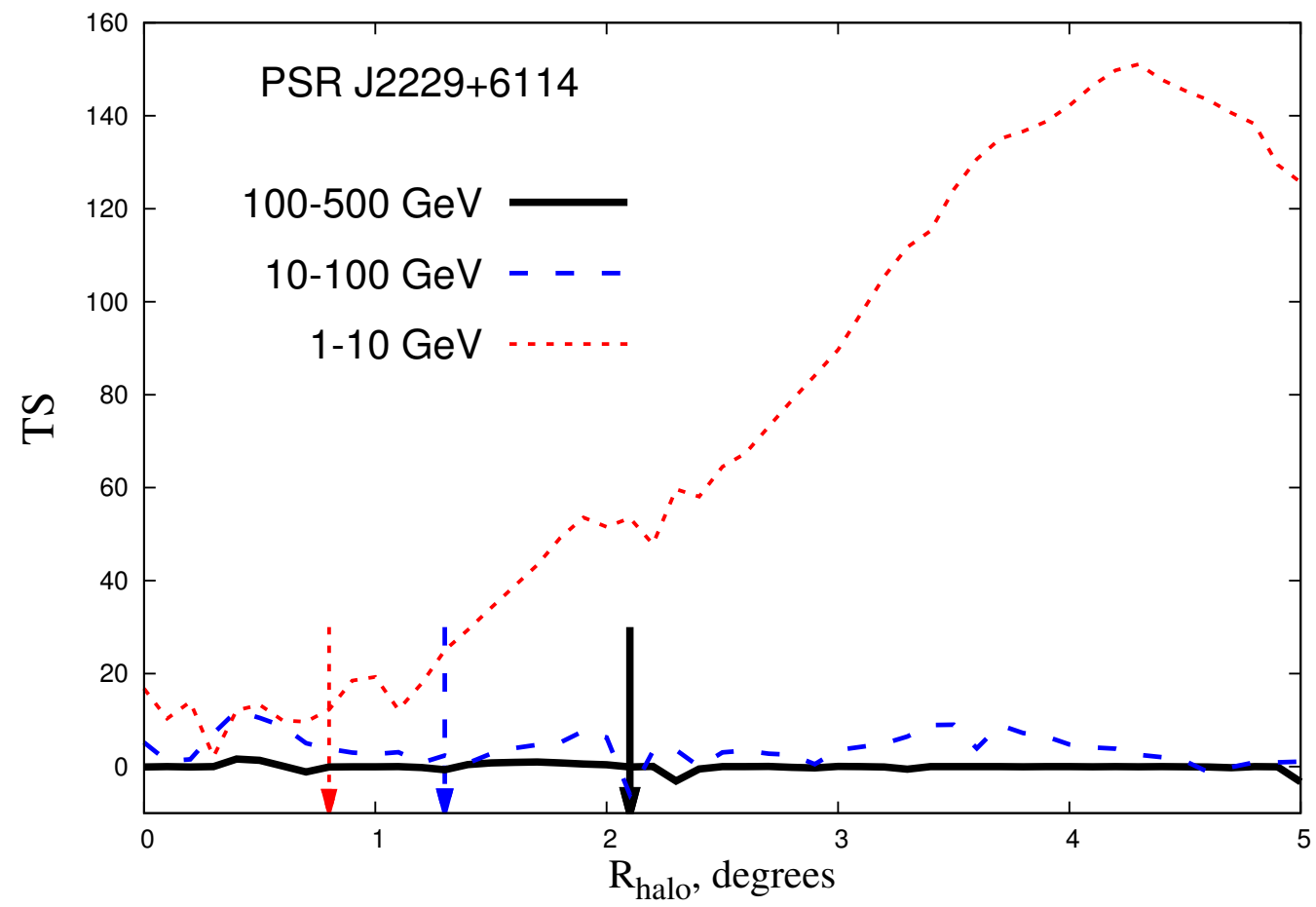
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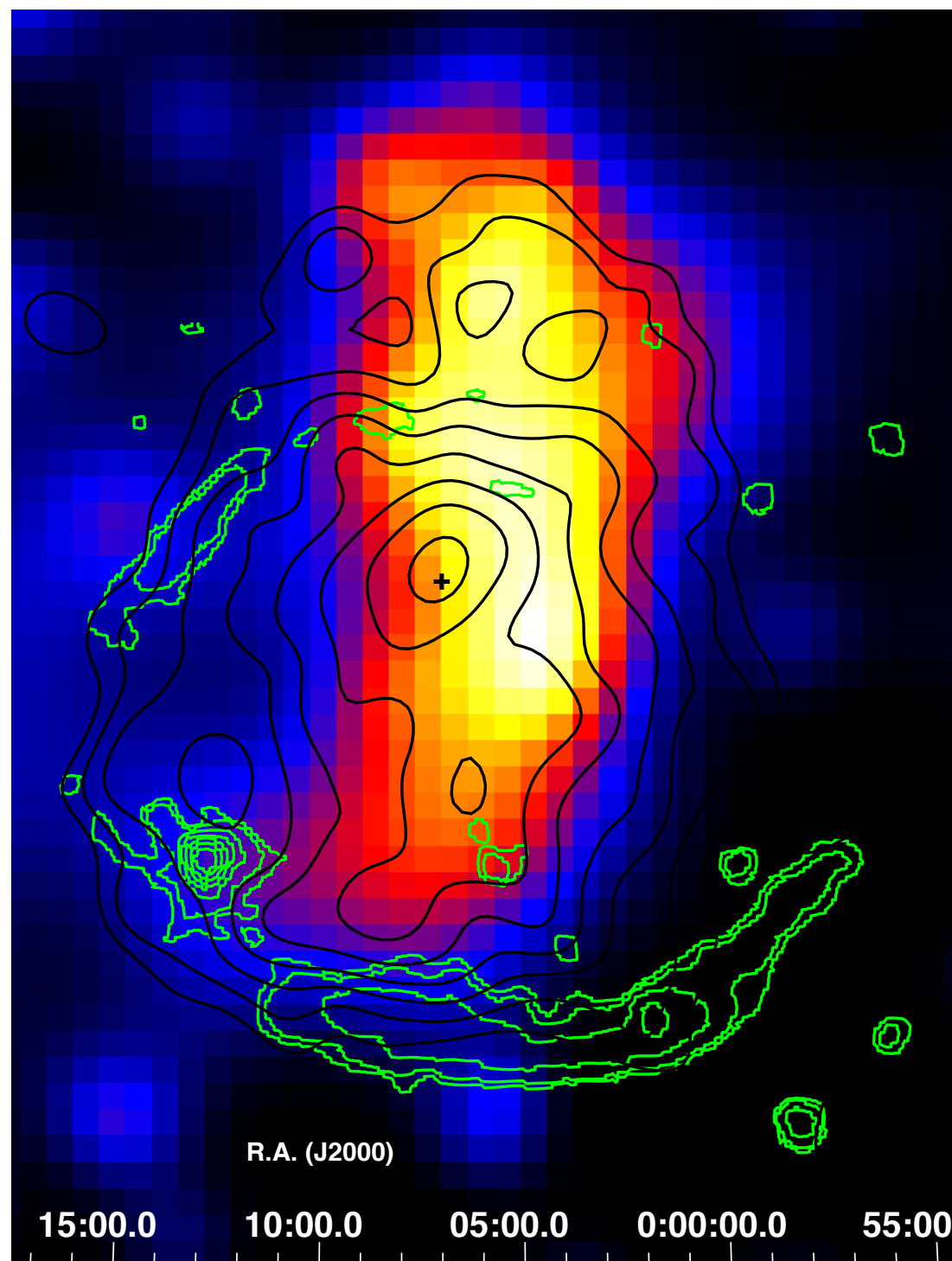
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