

Second day.

**Hot topics in CR physics.
Multimessenger approach.**

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Outline

1) The basic picture of CR production and propagation in the Galaxy: a recap

2) Multi-messenger framework: studying gamma ray to understand CRs

3) What do people study nowadays?

Some (data and theory driven) hot topics in CR propagation

→ Do the data suggest different CR transport properties in different regions of the Galaxy?

→ Where does the turbulence responsible for CR confinement come from?

4) Hot topics in CR production. **Connections with DM**

→ Smoking gun of hadronic acceleration. Looking for PeVatrons

→ The positron anomaly. CRs from pulsars?

→ Is there a GC excess? Is it DM? Or a new pulsar/SNR population?

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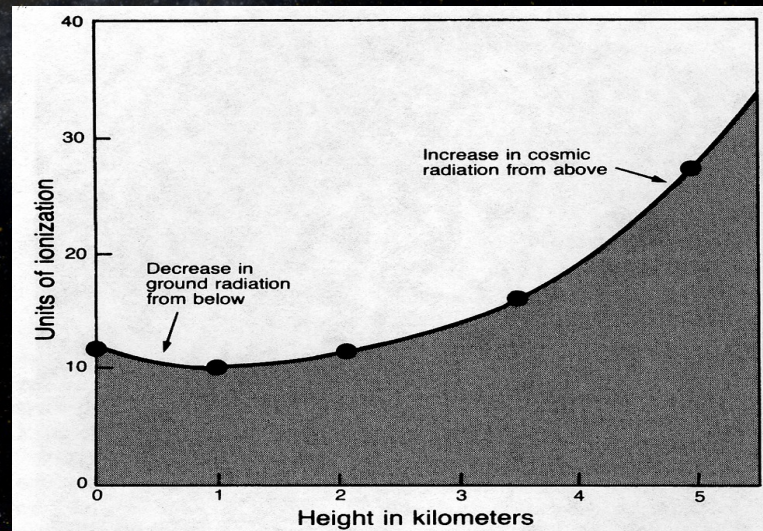
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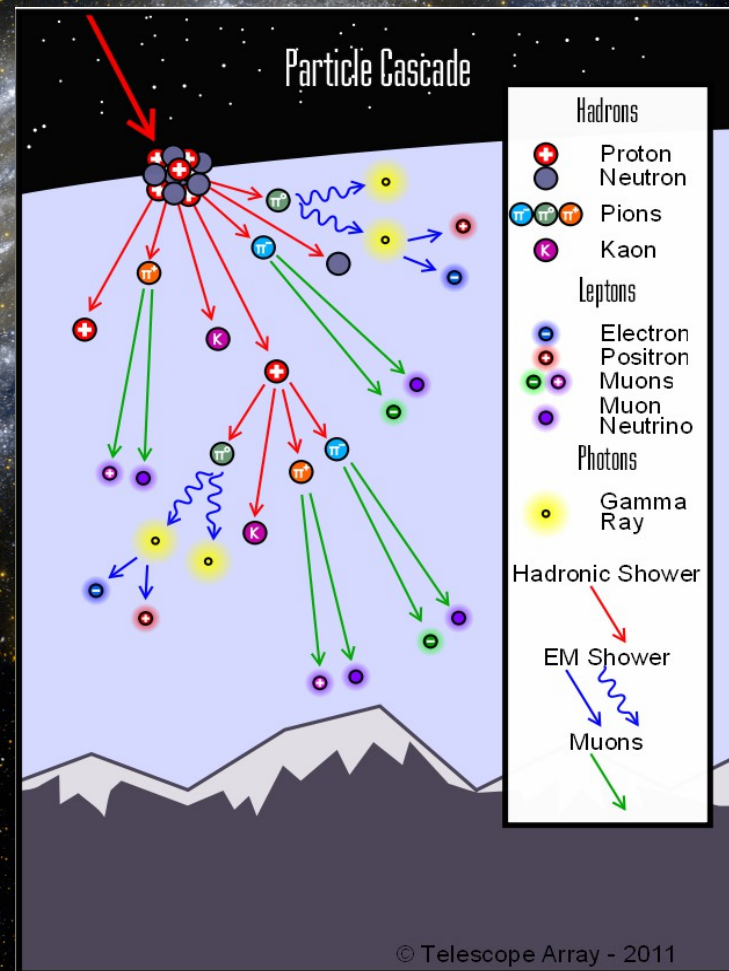
Victor Hess (1912)



Some reasons why CR physics is important

At the beginning of 20th century many new particles were discovered looking at CRs: e.g. positron (1932), muon (1936), pion (1947).

These particles are produced by the interactions of CRs with the atmosphere and were detected at ground level.

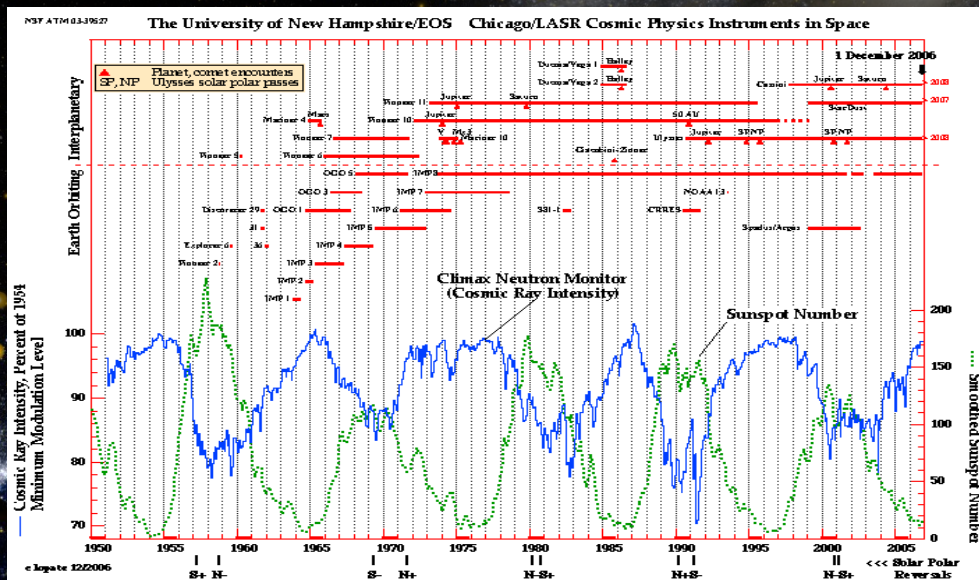


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Cosmic rays, climate and solar wind: fascinating connections.

Cosmic rays at low energy interact with the solar wind (a flux of low-energy \sim MeV particles from the Sun) and suffer advection and energy losses – the so-called “solar modulation”

During the phases of high solar activity, the cosmic-ray flux is lower

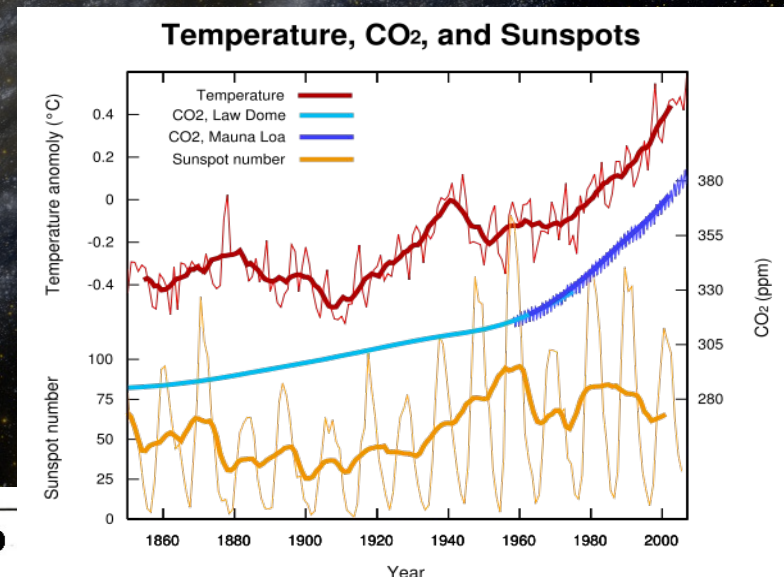
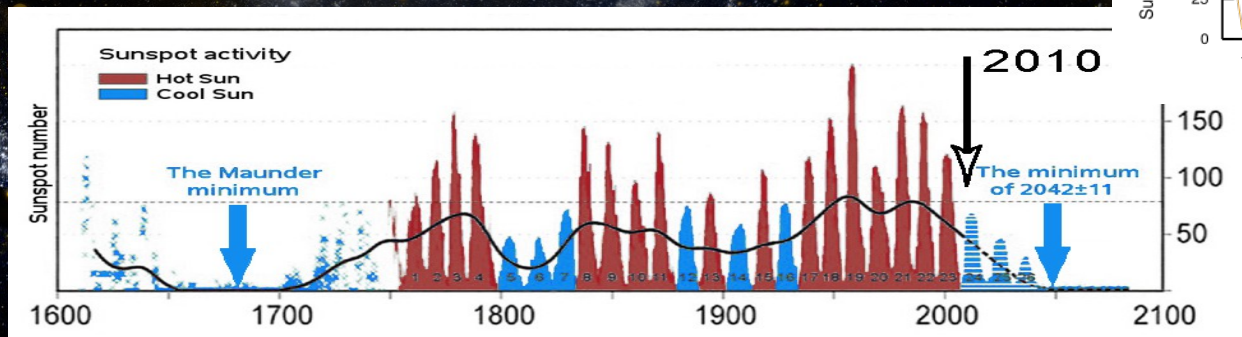


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Since CRs increase the ionization of the atmosphere and may therefore trigger cloud formation, the idea (under debate) is that
More solar activity → less CRs → less clouds → higher global temperature

These connections are still under debate, take these arguments with a pinch of salt



<http://solar-center.stanford.edu/>

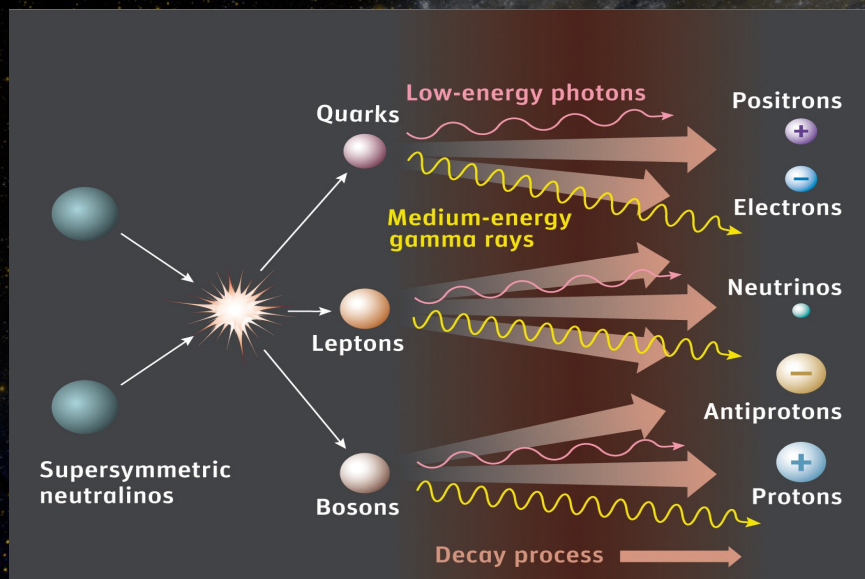
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Cosmic rays and Dark Matter

As Mauro explained in the DM class, nowadays the Dark Matter community is very interested in cosmic rays and in the gamma-ray emission originating from cosmic rays because some anomalies in the data may be interpreted as a signature of particle DM annihilation or decay.

It is often very hard to disentangle the DM interpretation and the astrophysical interpretation of these anomalies!

I will briefly talk about the positron case at the end of the class.



(very quick) recap of CR physics

As we saw yesterday:

1) CR spectrum is a broken power law

extending from the GeV to extremely high energies (Oh-My-God particle energy = 10^{20} eV).

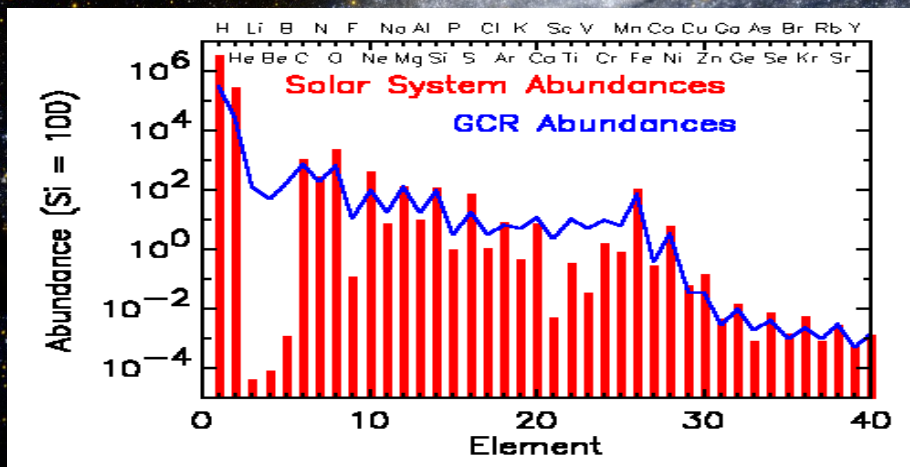
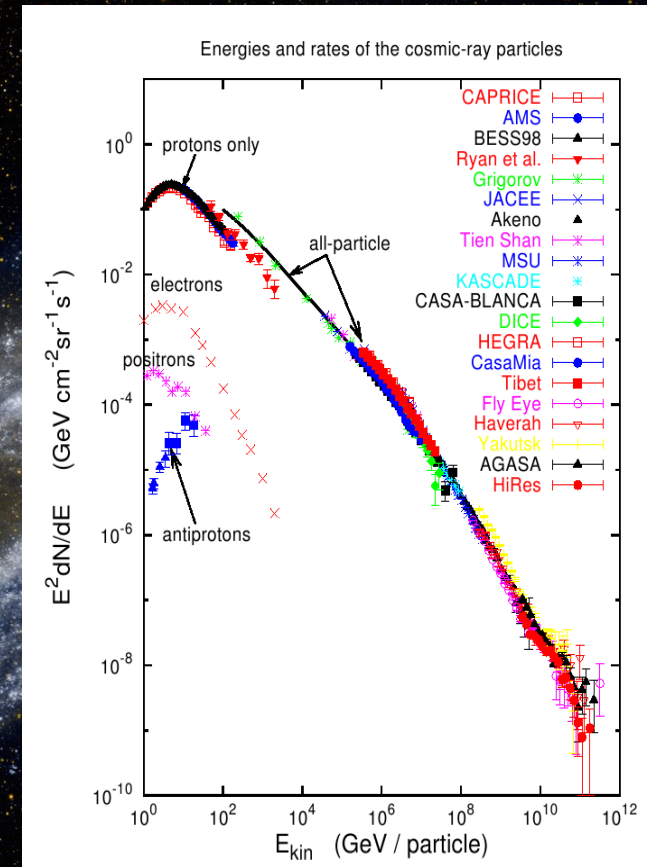
→ CRs up to the “ankle” have Galactic origin

2) There is evidence for CR confinement in the Galaxy:

In order to reproduce the measured abundance of stable nuclei, CRs should have traversed

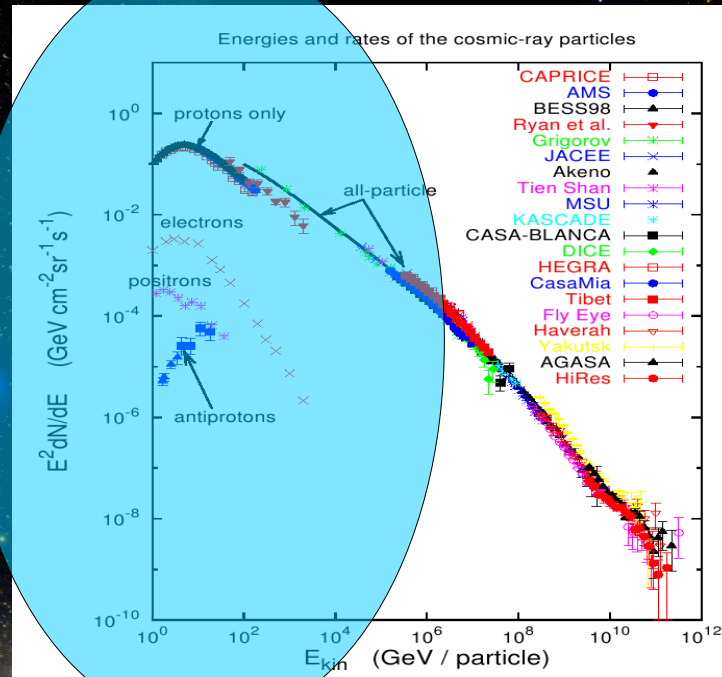
~ 10 g/cm^2 of interstellar material

→ $L = \text{grammage} / (n m_p) \sim 10^4 \text{ kpc} \gg \text{Galaxy size!!!}$

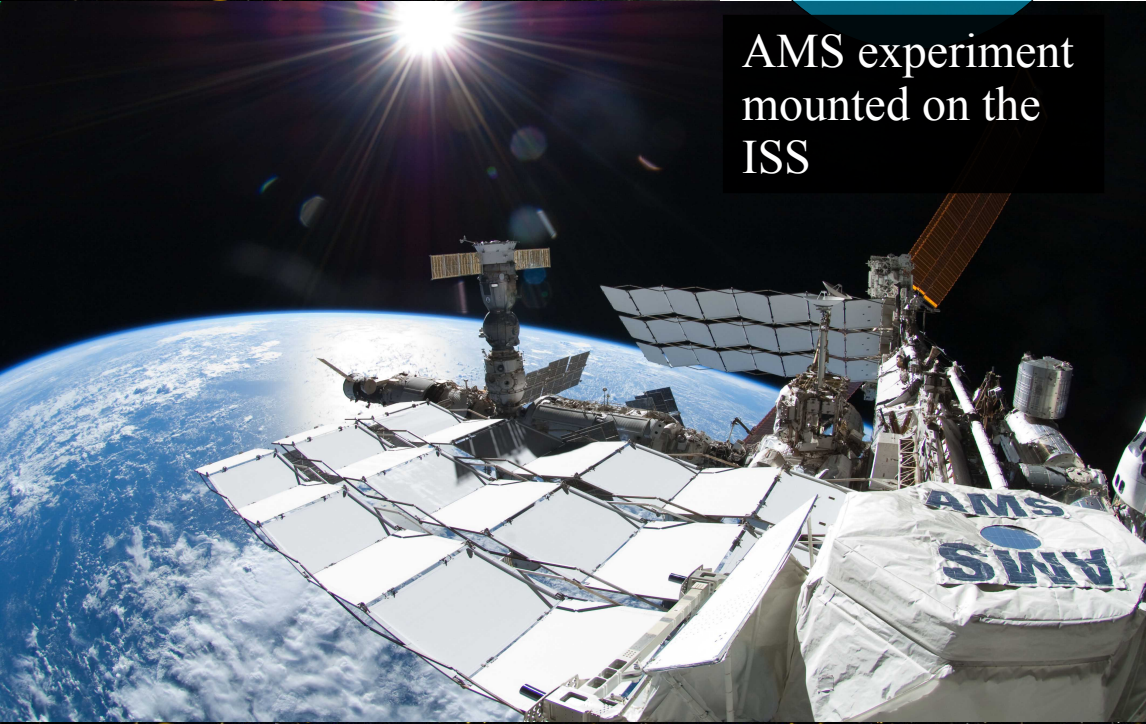


How CRs are measured

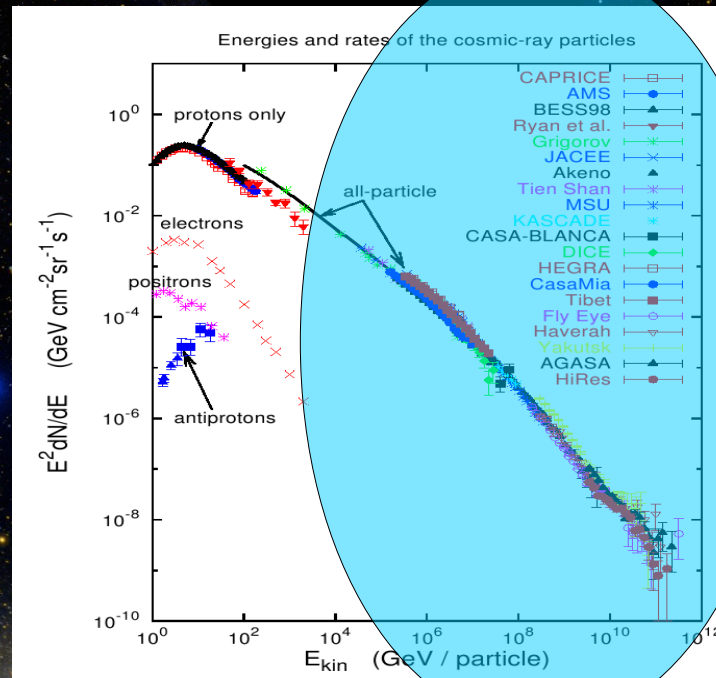
Low and intermediate energies (from GeV to TeV): the flux is large, experiments are in space.



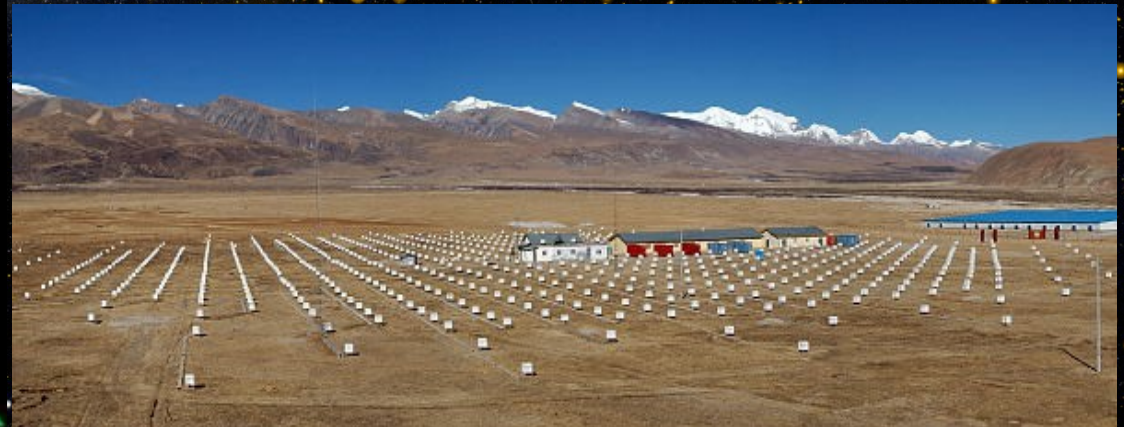
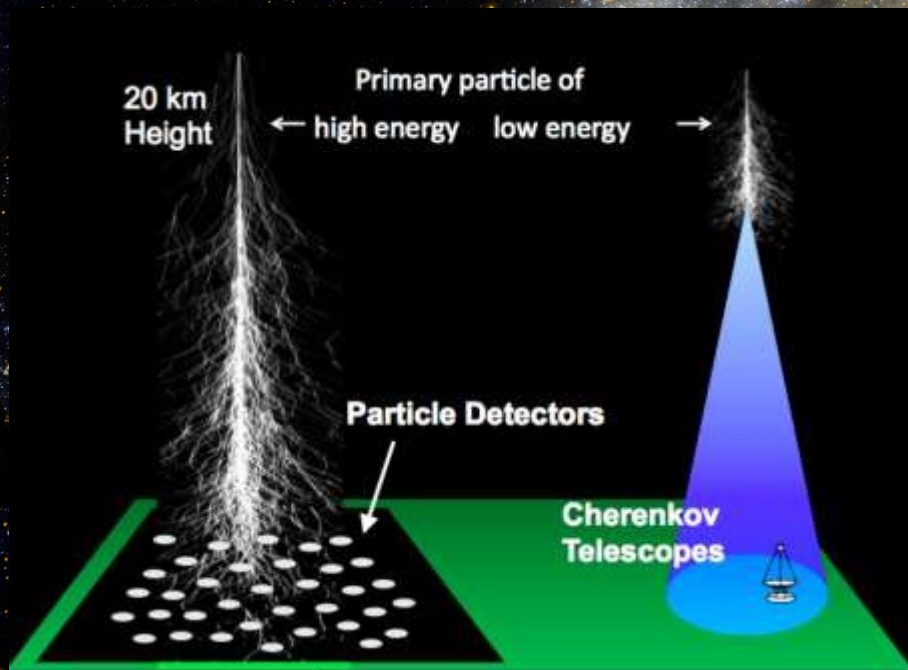
AMS experiment
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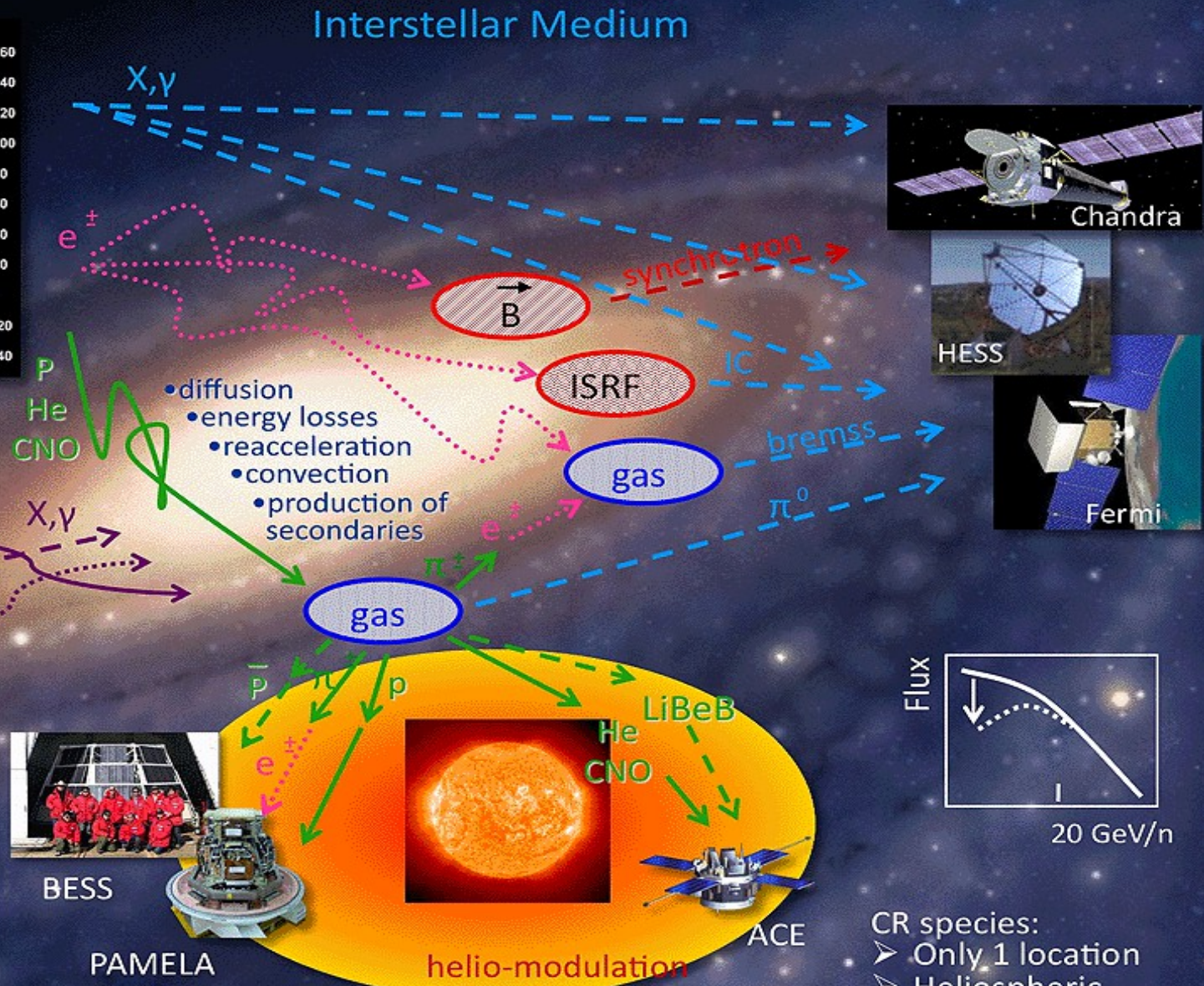
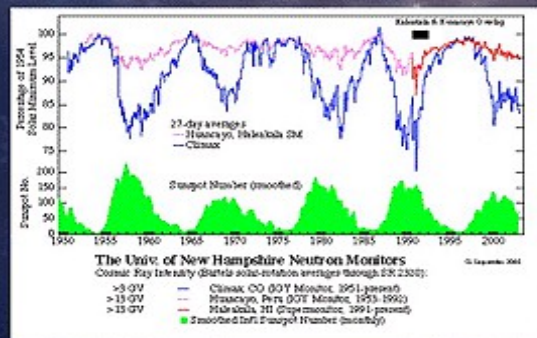
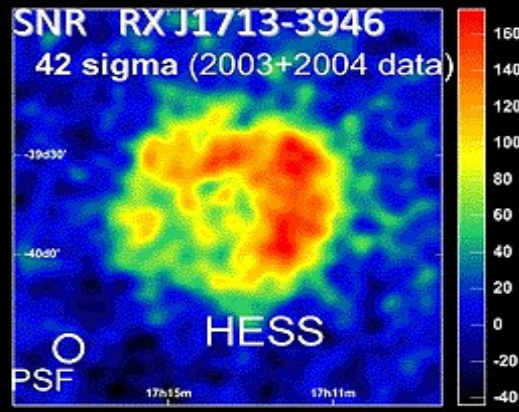
How CRs are measured



Very high energies (up to 10^{20} eV): the flux is low, ground-based experiments measure the secondary shower in the atmosphere



The basic picture of CR propagation



Courtesy of A. Strong

CR species:
➤ Only 1 location
➤ Heliospheric modulation

The basic picture

The complete equation describing CR propagation is the following:

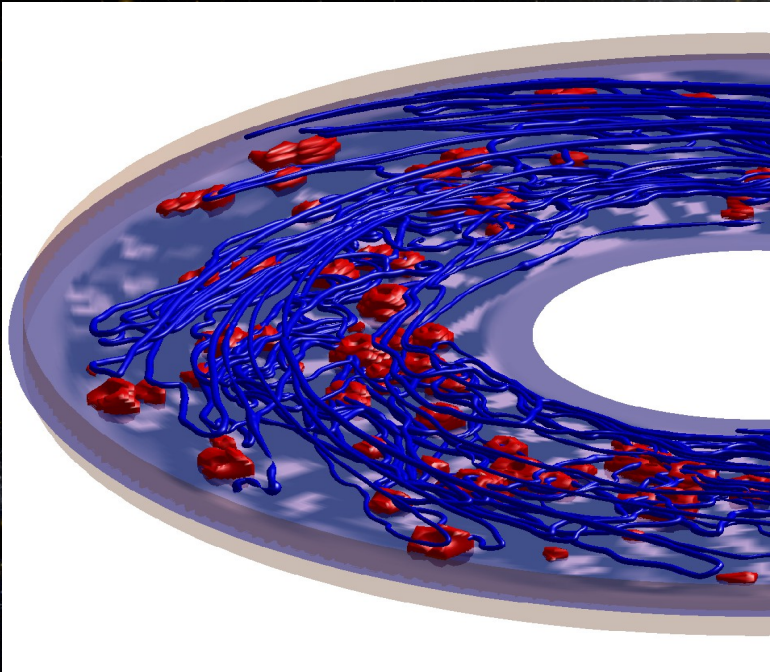
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Spatial diffusion term.

due to the interaction with the Galactic magnetic field

In general D is a position-dependent tensor D_{ij}

→ In most literature so far, with only very few exceptions, diffusion is treated in a over-simplified way and D is taken as a spatial-independent scalar in the whole Galactic disk and halo



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Energy losses due to the interaction with the ISM: gas, magnetic fields, diffuse radiation field in the IR, optical, UV

→ this term is important for low-energy hadrons and high-energy leptons (IC scattering, synchrotron emission)

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Reacceleration

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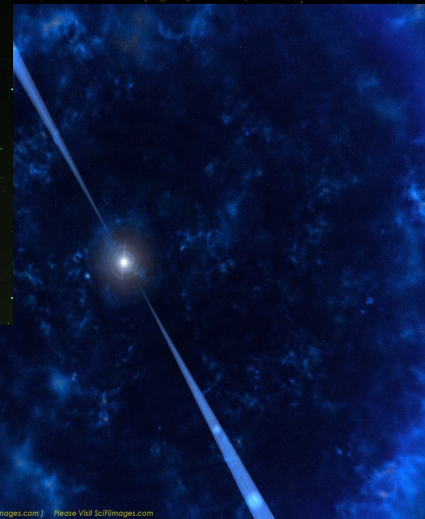
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Primary source term.

Protons, nuclei, electrons are accelerated by SNR shocks

→ Other classes of CR accelerators?
(maybe pulsars?)

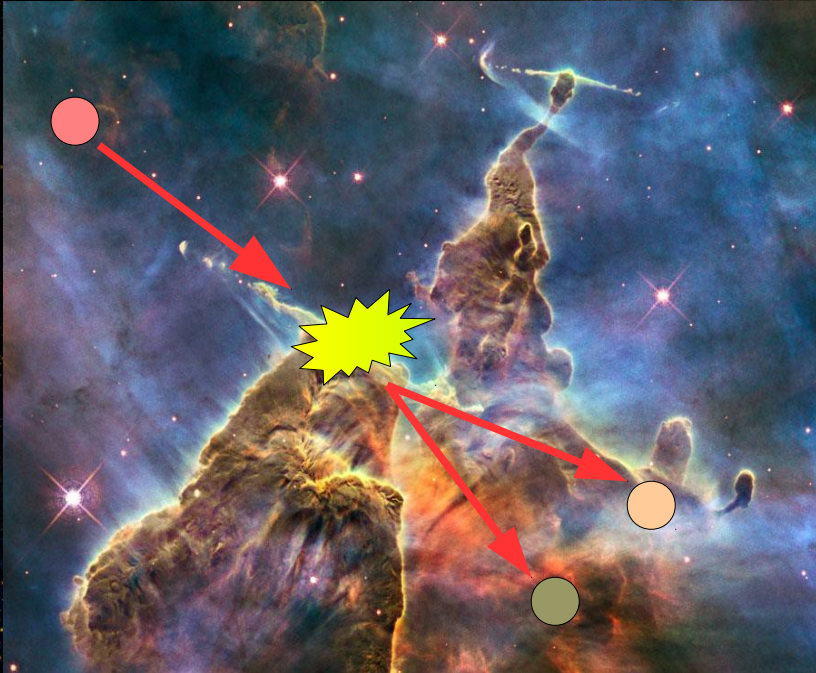
→ CRs coming from DM annihilation / decay?



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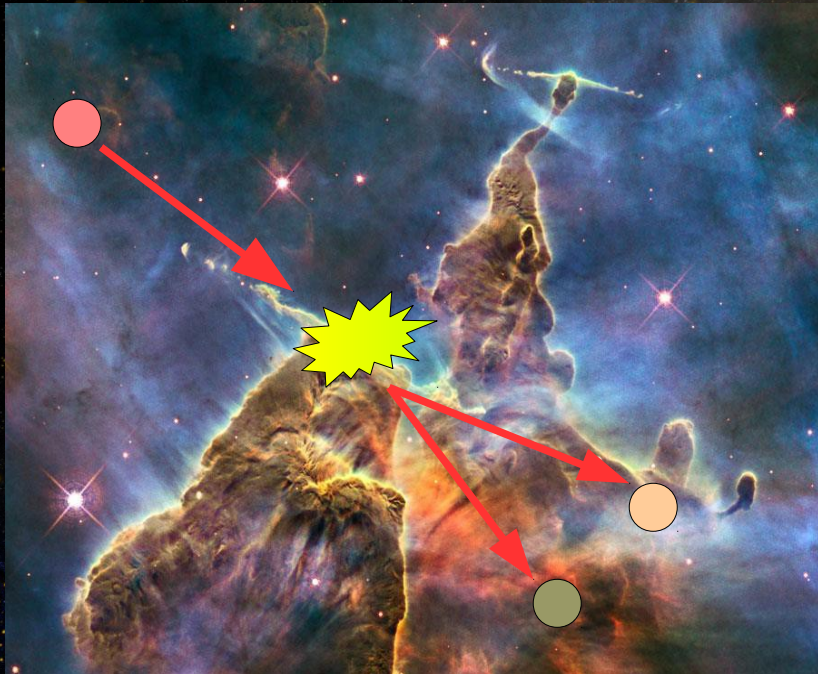
Spallation source term from heavier nuclei interacting with interstellar gas.

For Li, Be, B and antiparticles (positrons, antiprotons) this is the dominant source term.

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Spallation loss
term

Cosmic ray physics is apparently easy...

What people have done for so many years in order to model the data is quite easy:

1) assume that **CRs are injected in the Galaxy** mainly by SNRs located on the Galactic plane. Injection spectrum: power law in rigidity, with arbitrary number of breaks

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial p} = p^\alpha$$

2) assume that **CRs diffuse in the same way all through the Galactic halo.**

The Galaxy is a uniform box with no structure.

The diffusion coefficient is rigidity dependent:

$$D = D_0 \beta p^\delta$$

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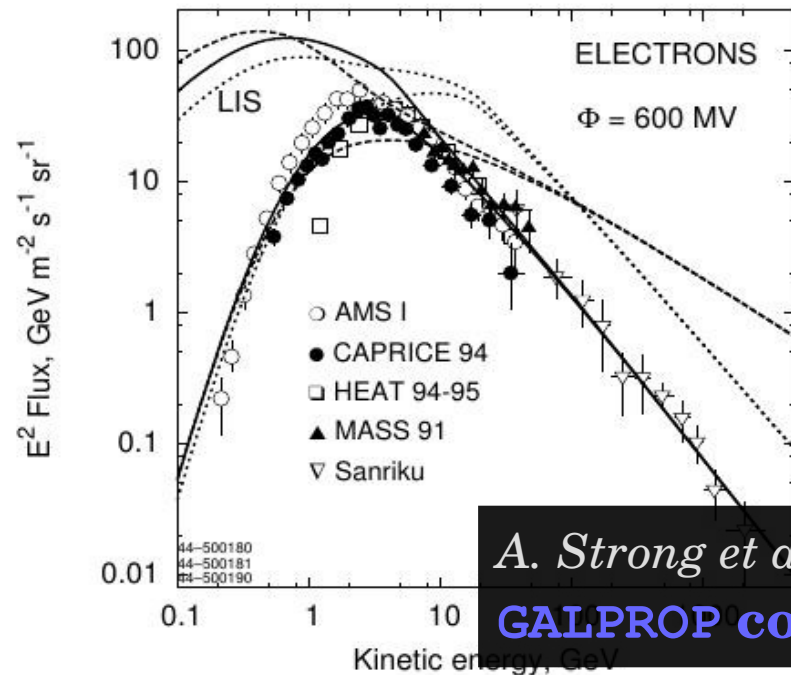
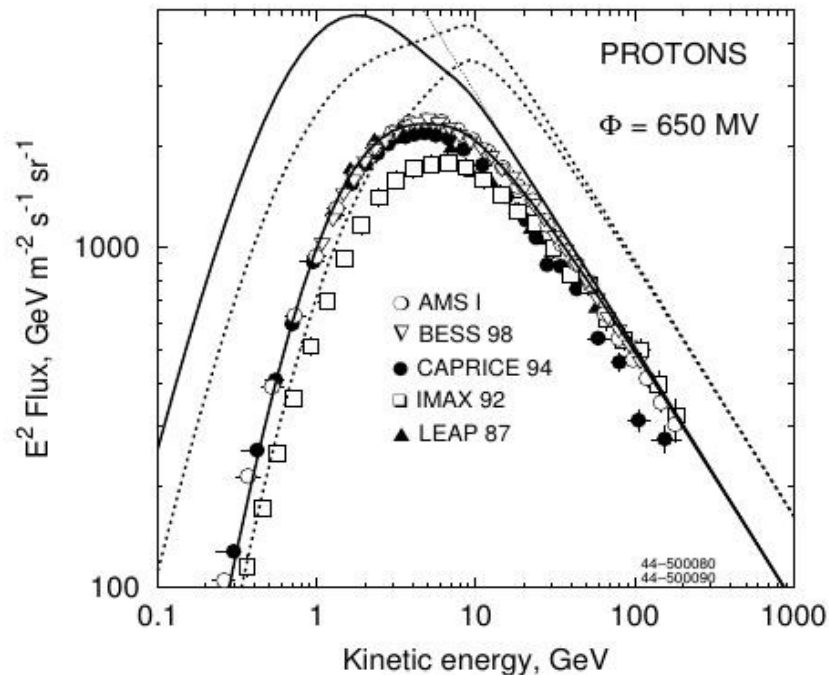
In this framework, the propagated spectra of nuclei are easily computed solving the diffusion equation in 2D (R, z): azimuthal symmetry **with numerical or semi-analytical codes.**

At high energy

→ Propagated slope = inj. Slope + δ

At low energy (< 10-20 GeV)

→ Other effects (reacceleration, convection, solar modulation...)



A. Strong et al. 2004

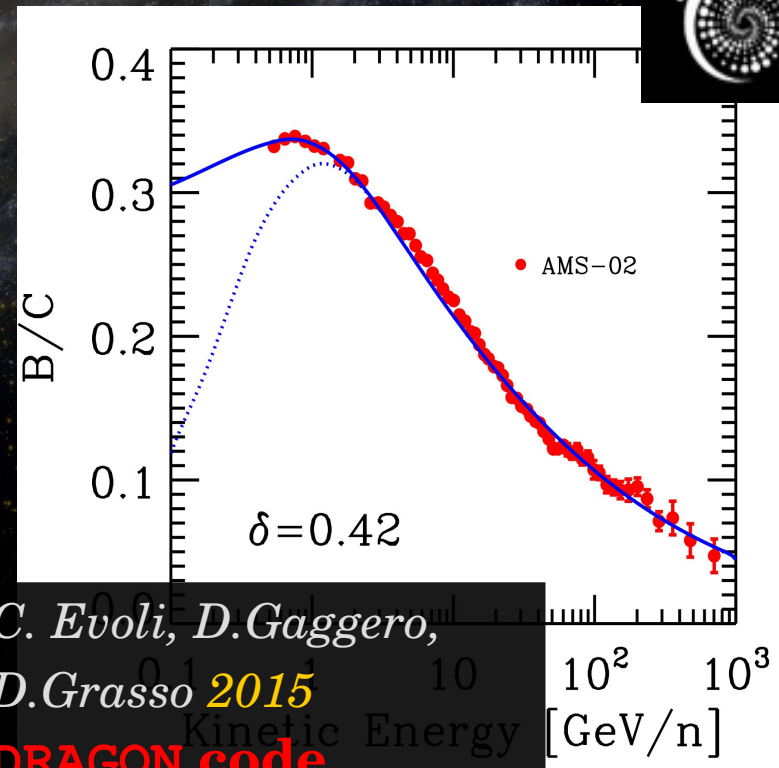
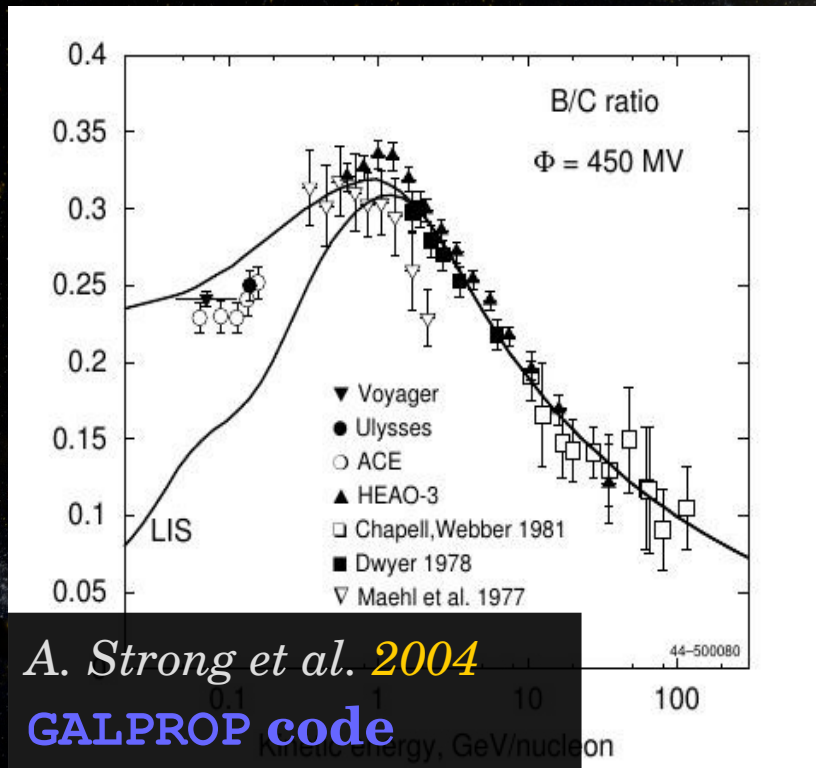
GALPROP code

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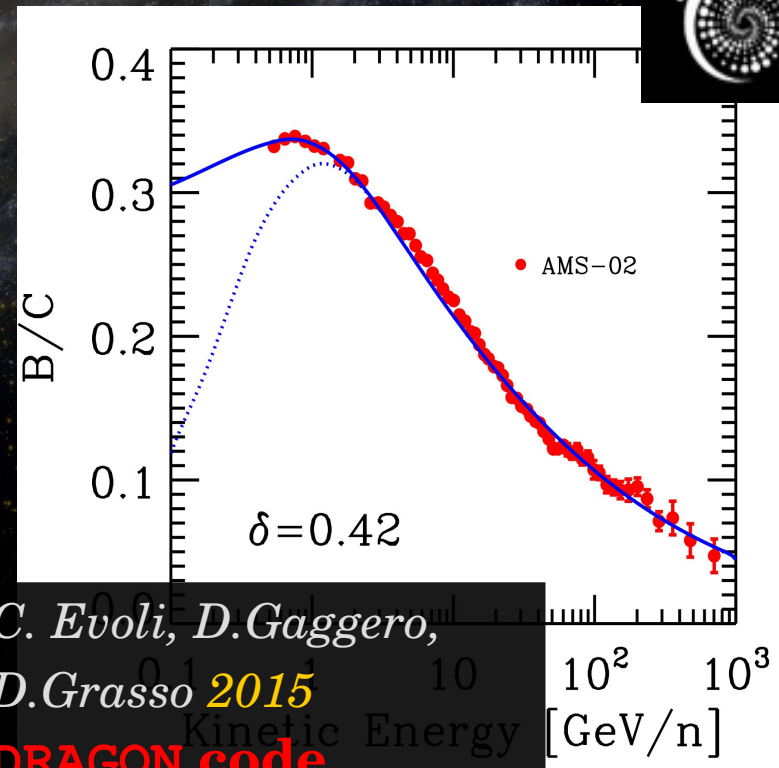
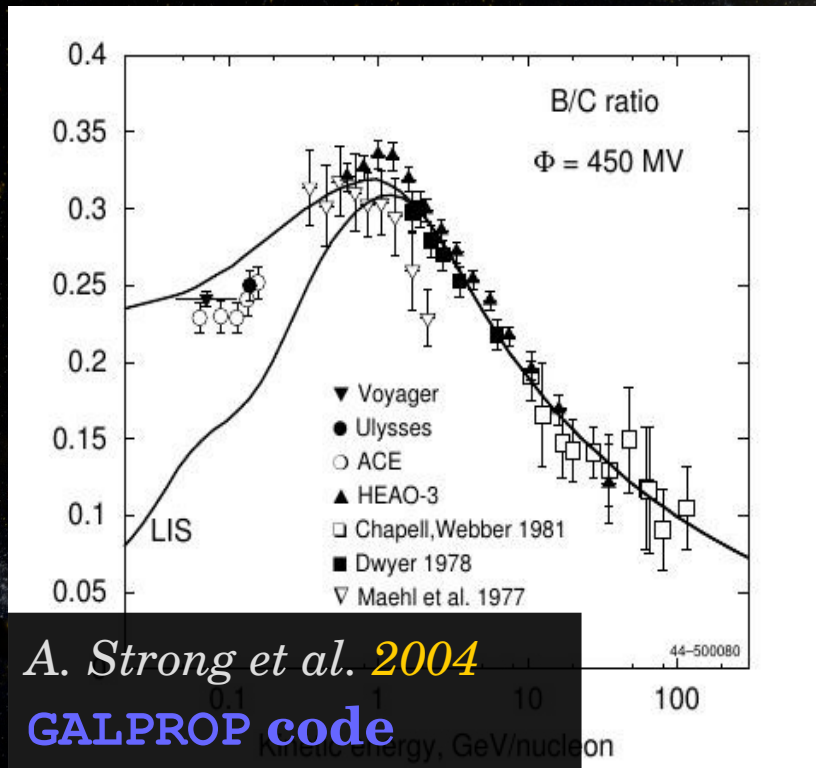


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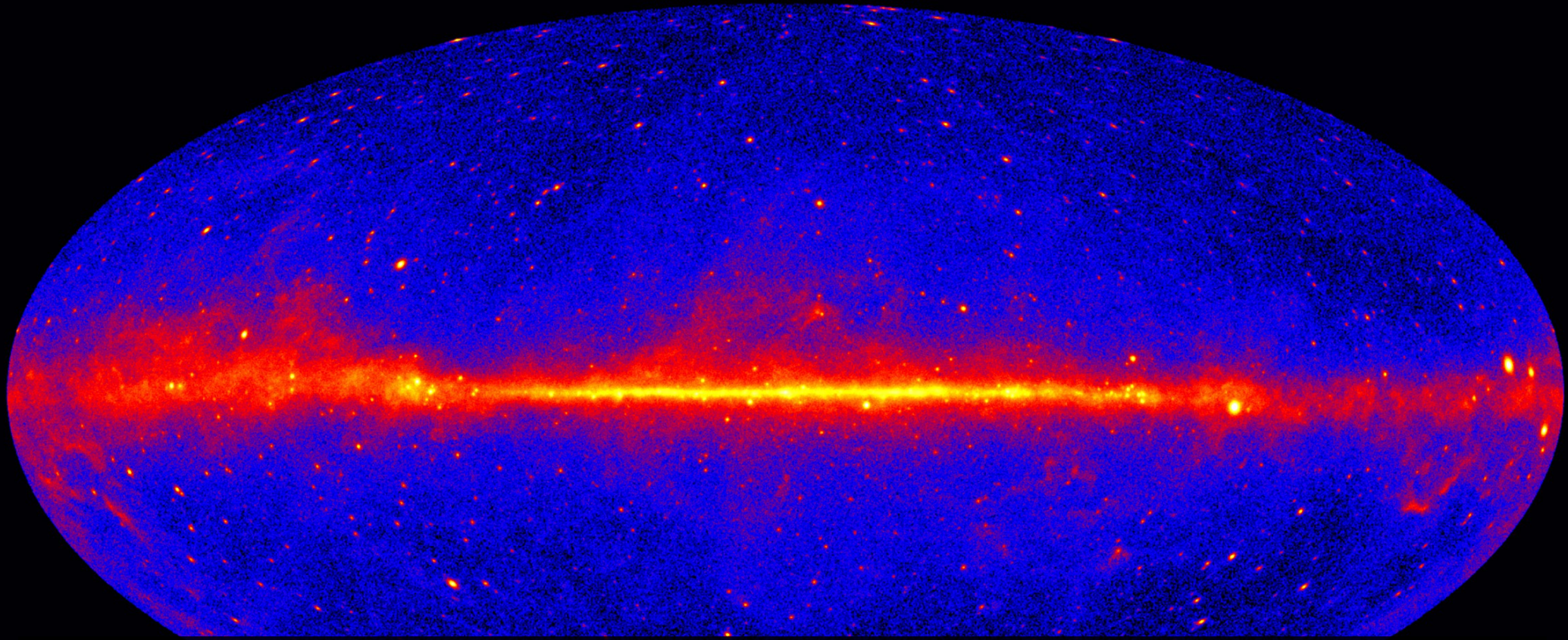
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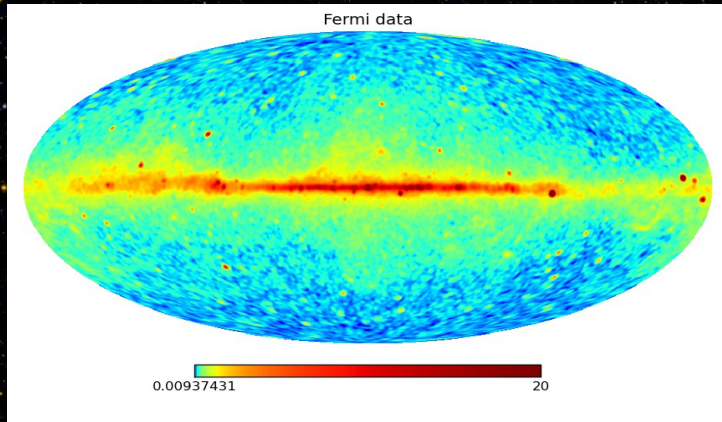


A multi messenger framework

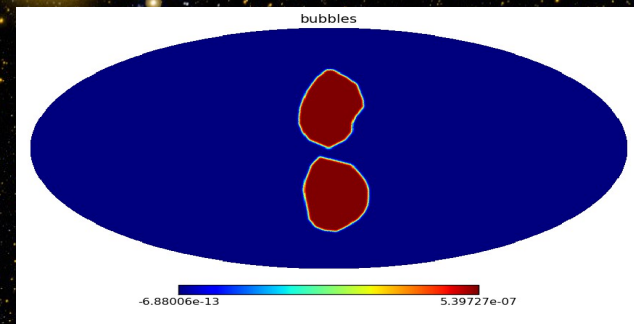
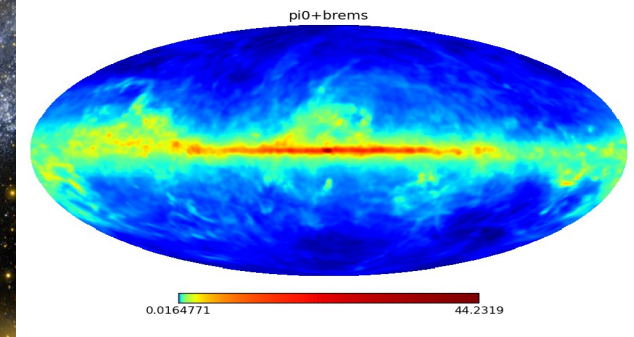
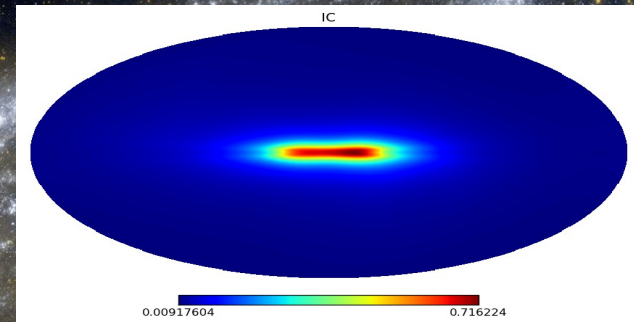
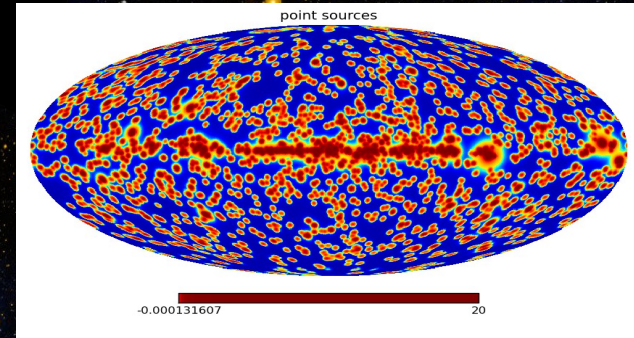


- CRs produce gamma rays (do you remember Mauro's talk?)
- The gamma-ray emission is useful to trace the CR flux in different regions of the Galaxy

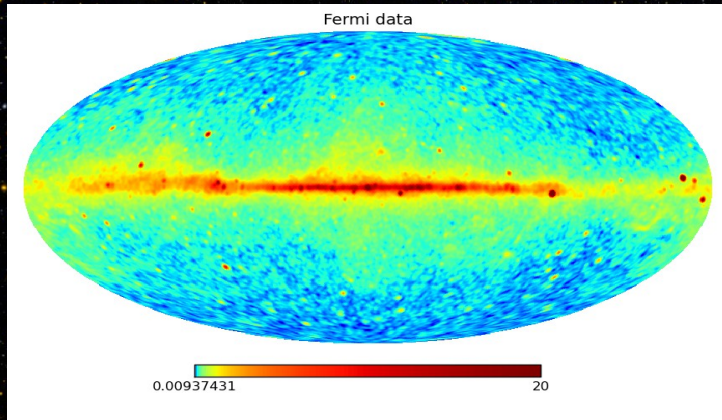
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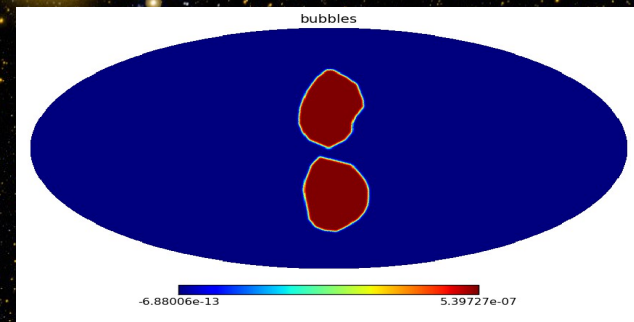
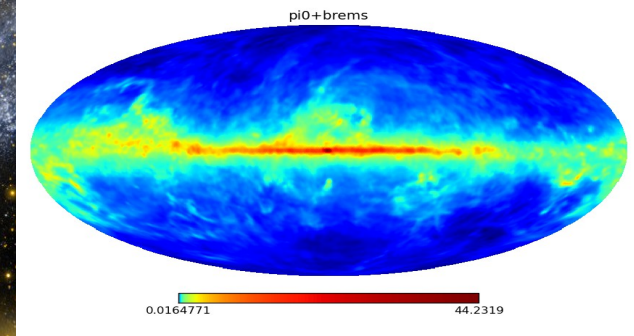
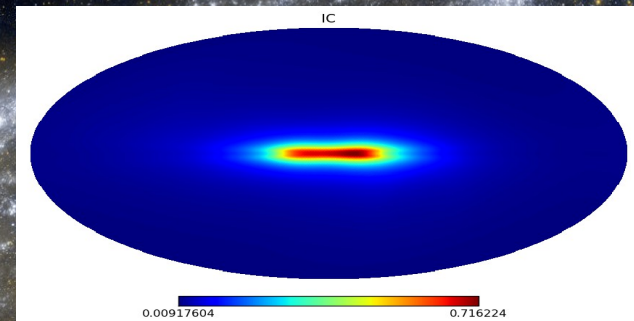
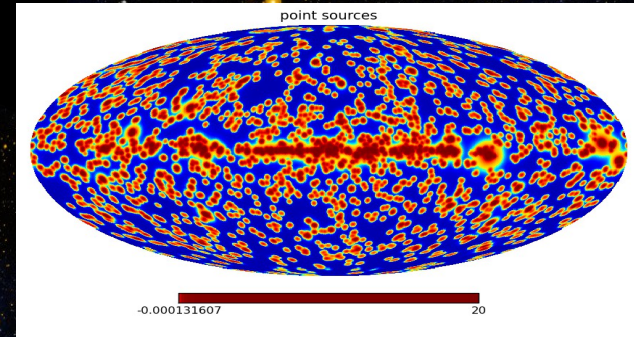
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Many **Galactic and extragalactic point sources**

Inverse Compton emission: low-energy photons converted into high-energy photons

Neutral pions are produced in proton-proton interactions and **decay** into gamma rays

The bubbles: huge structures with hard spectrum of unknown origin



Hot topics regarding diffusion

→ Are the CR transport properties the same all through the Galaxy ?

Let's follow a data-driven approach.

As anticipated before, **we look at gamma-ray data**. Why?

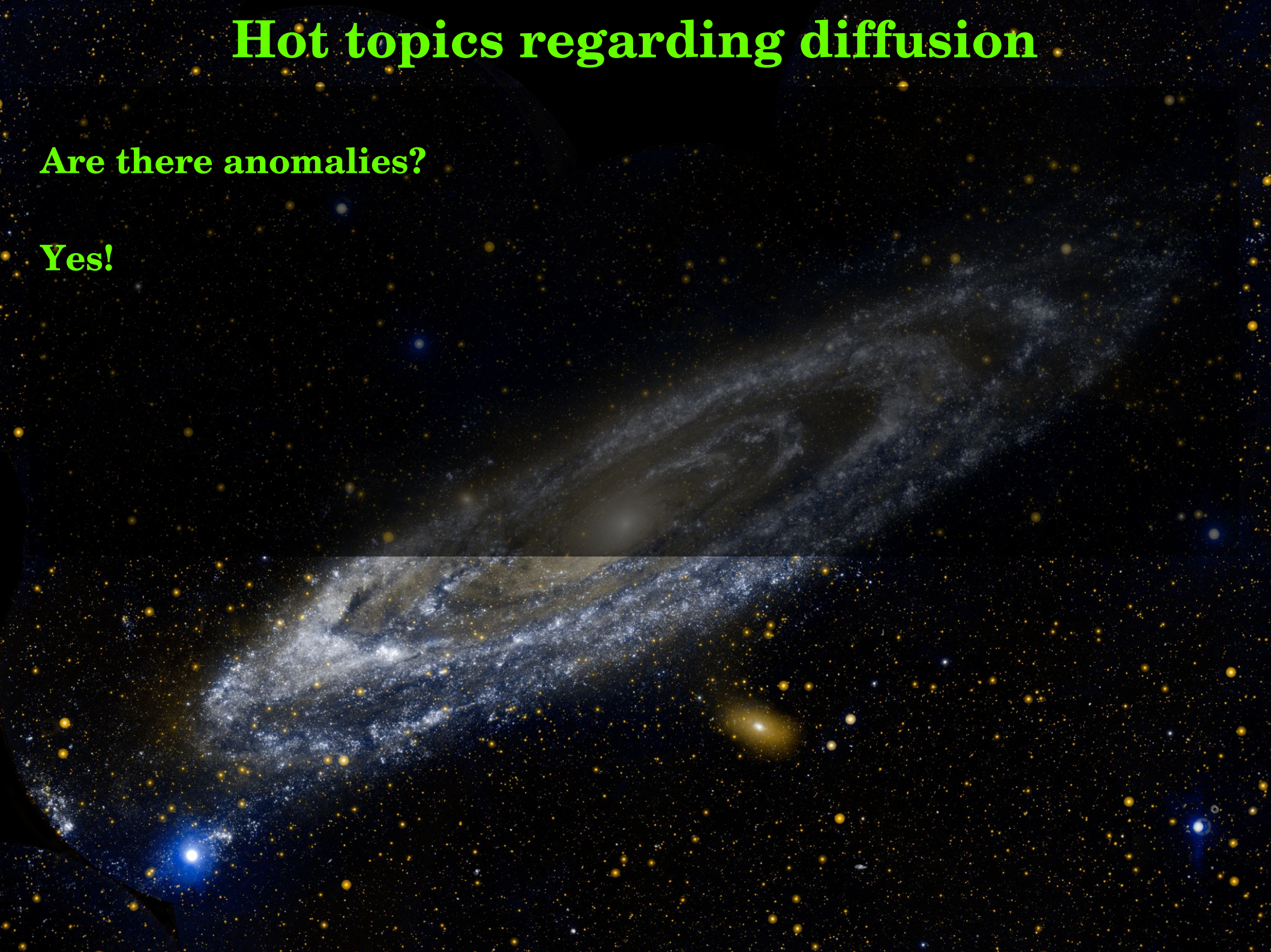
– *because the gamma-ray distribution permits to trace the CR flux in different regions of the Galaxy.*

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Yes!



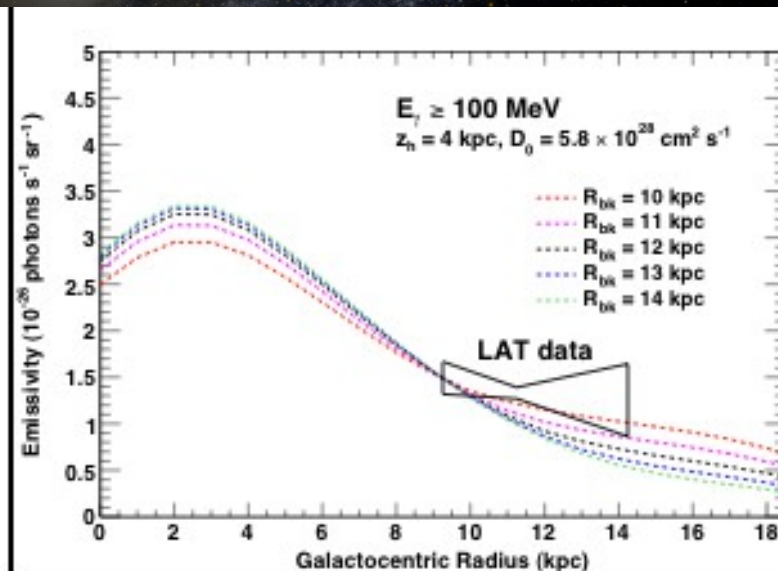
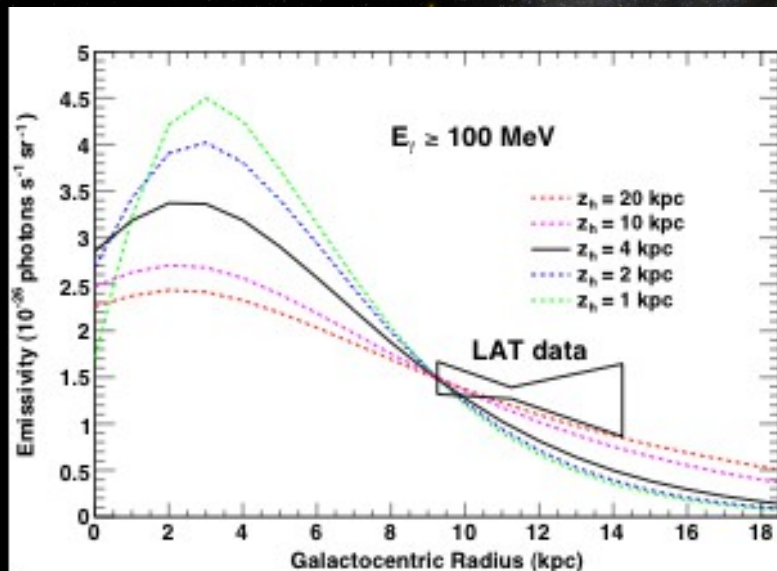
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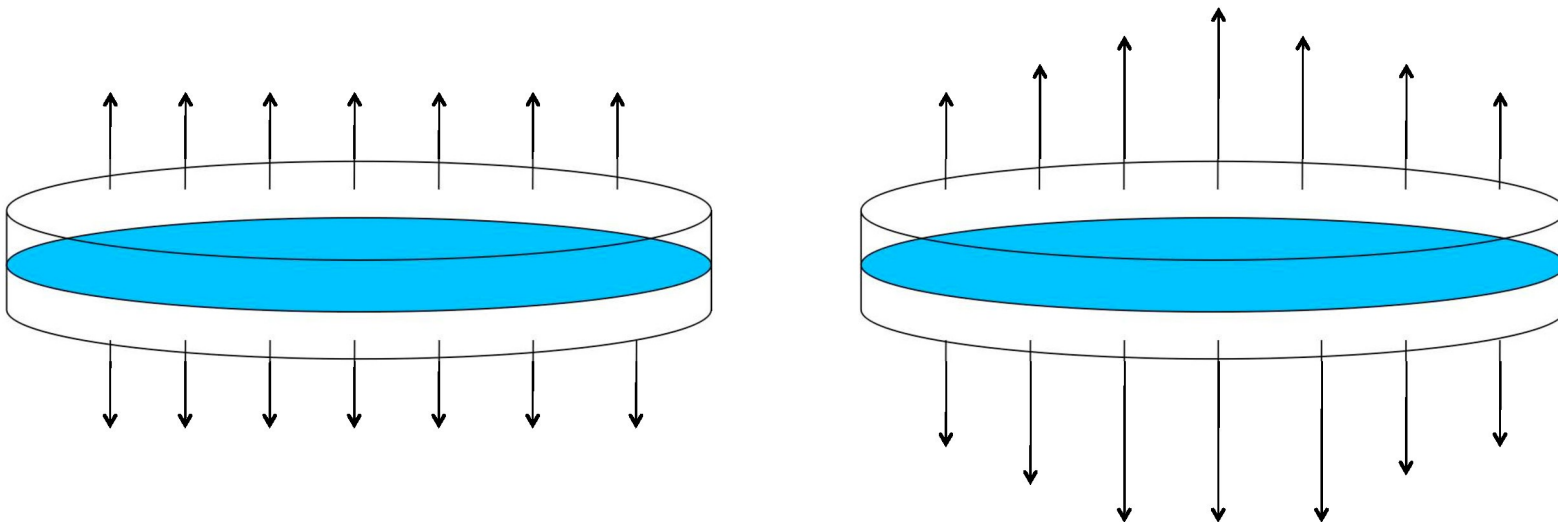
The CR gradient inferred by gamma-ray data along the Galactocentric radius is flatter than predicted



Hot topics regarding diffusion

Possible explanation:

- the CR escape of CRs along z is governed by the diffusion coefficient perpendicular to the regular field direction
- the perpendicular diffusion coefficient increases with turbulence level (*remember yesterday class*)
- the regions of the Galaxy with more CR sources are more turbulent \rightarrow larger perpendicular diffusion coefficient \rightarrow more efficient CR escape

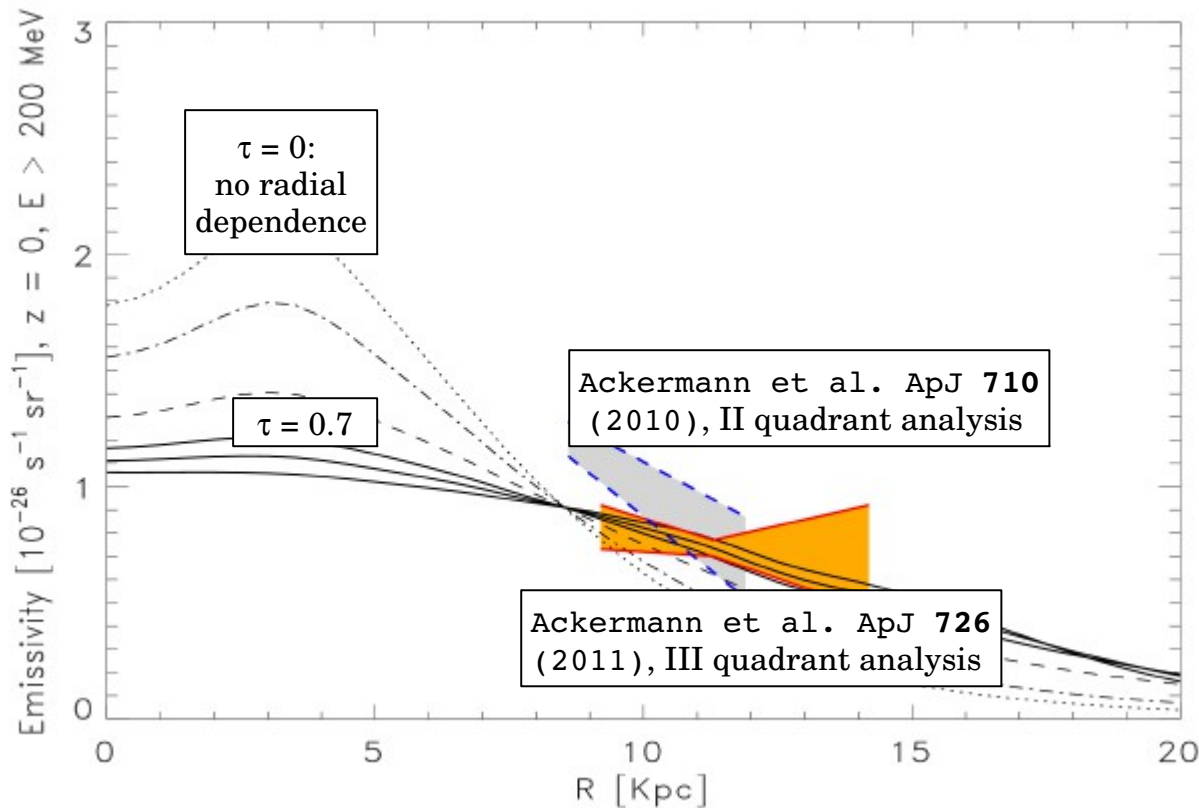


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1) Gradient problem

Phenomenological model:

$$D_{\text{perpendicular}}(r,z) = D_0 Q(r,z)^\tau$$



C. Evoli, D.
Gaggero, D. Grasso,
L. Maccione, PRL
(2012)
DRAGON code

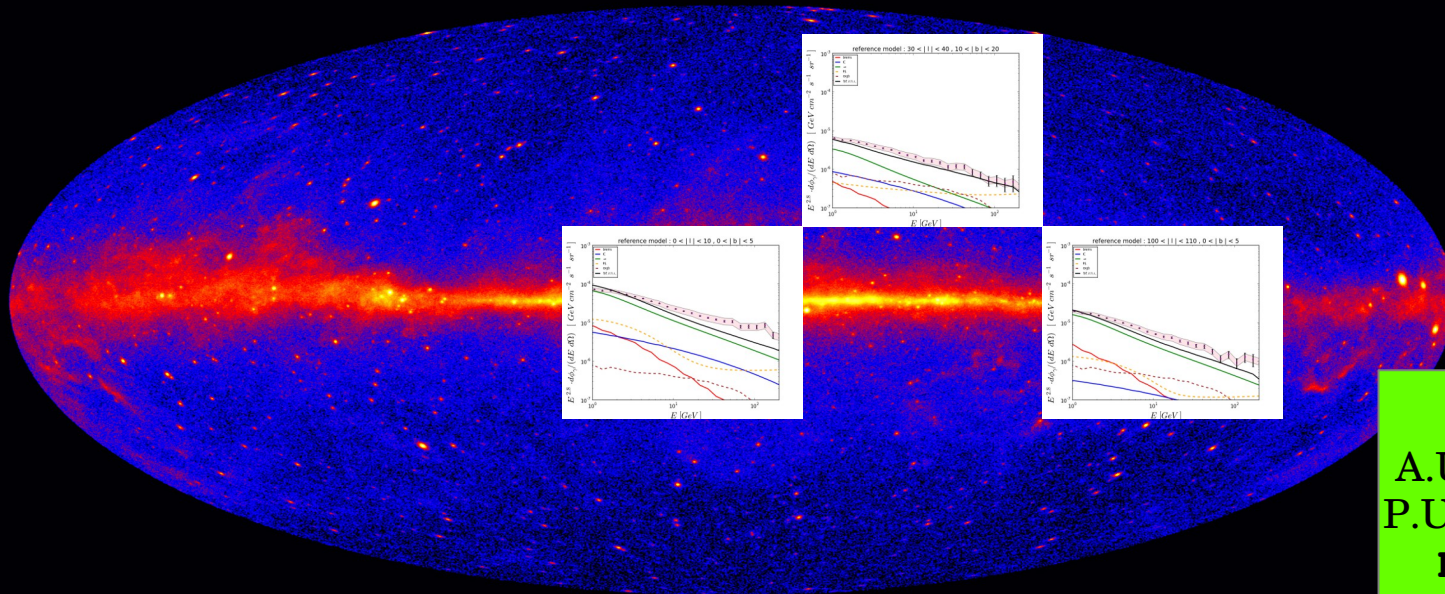
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2) Spatial gradients in the **rigidity scaling** of the CR diffusion coefficient?



→ The gamma-ray spectra are harder than predicted in the inner Galaxy!

→ The problem can be solved assuming a **harder diffusion coefficient in the inner Galaxy**: $\delta(R) = aR + b$



D.Gaggero,
A.Urbano. M.Valli,
P.Ullio, PRD (2015)
DRAGON code

Hot topics regarding diffusion

Many other interesting topics of research, beyond phenomenology:

- where does the turbulence responsible for CR confinement come from?
- can CRs generate by themselves the Alfvén waves they are scattered by?
- (topic not covered here for time reasons)

Further reading:

- V.S. Berezhinski *et al.*, “*Astrophysics of cosmic rays*”, Amsterdam: North Holland 1990
- R. Schlickeiser, “*Cosmic ray astrophysics*”, Springer 2002
- P. Blasi review papers (e.g. [arXiv:1311.7346](https://arxiv.org/abs/1311.7346))
- PhD thesis by D. Gaggero and G. Di Bernardo:
D. Gaggero, “*Cosmic Ray Diffusion in the Galaxy and Diffuse Gamma Emission*”, Springer Berlin Heidelberg 2012
G. Di Bernardo, “*Transport, turbulence and instabilities in cosmic magnetic fields*”, https://gupea.ub.gu.se/bitstream/2077/35797/5/gupea_2077_35797_5.pdf

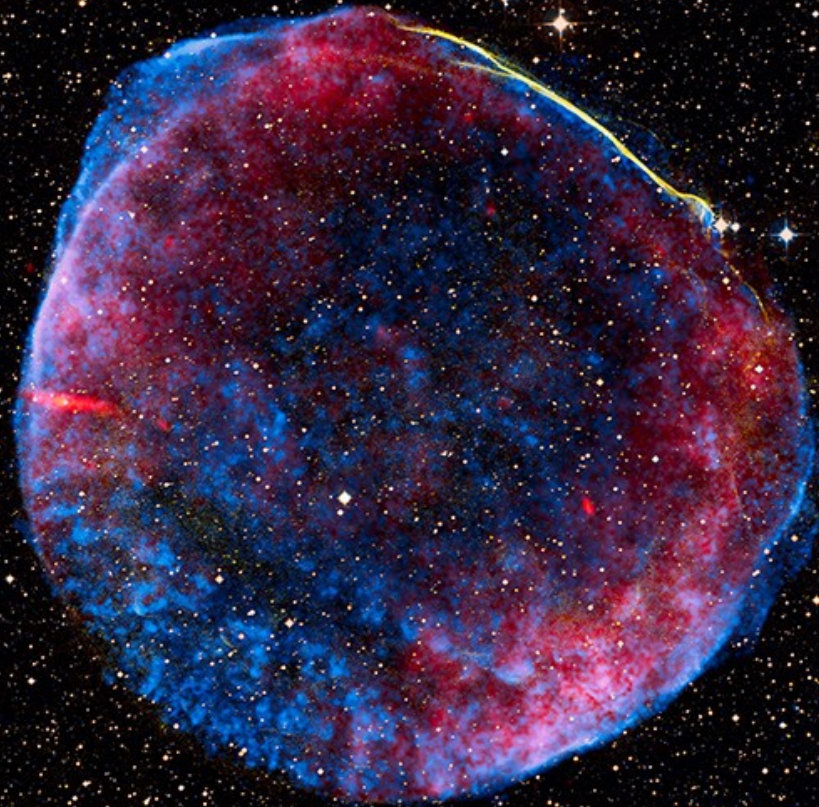
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SNR 1006

$d = 2.2 \text{ kpc}$
age = 1009 y

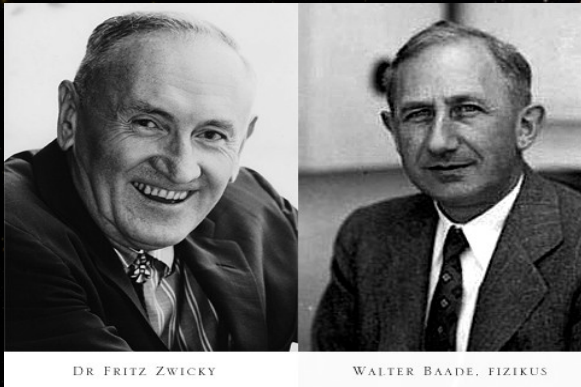
the brightest apparent magnitude stellar event in recorded history, reaching an estimated -7.5 visual magnitude (over ten times as bright as Venus and visible during daytime).



Hot topics regarding CR acceleration

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- The original idea of SNRs accelerating CRs is due to Zwicky and Baade (1934)



- “1st order Fermi mechanism” proposed in 1970s (*Krymsky 1977, Bell 1978, Blandford & Ostriker 1978*). It was inspired by a different previous idea by E. Fermi
- The “smoking gun” of hadronic acceleration up to TeV and PeV energies (TeVatrons, PeVatrons) has been one of the main topic of research in the latest decades!



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Many evidences of hadronic CR acceleration is actually taking place in SNRs were collected through the years.

Morlino & Caprioli 2011 about Tycho SNR)

Fermi-LAT collaboration paper: *Ackermann et al. 2013*

This discussion has been going on for 80 years!

Title:	Cosmic Rays from Super-novae	1934
Authors:	Baade, W. ; Zwicky, F.	
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Abstract

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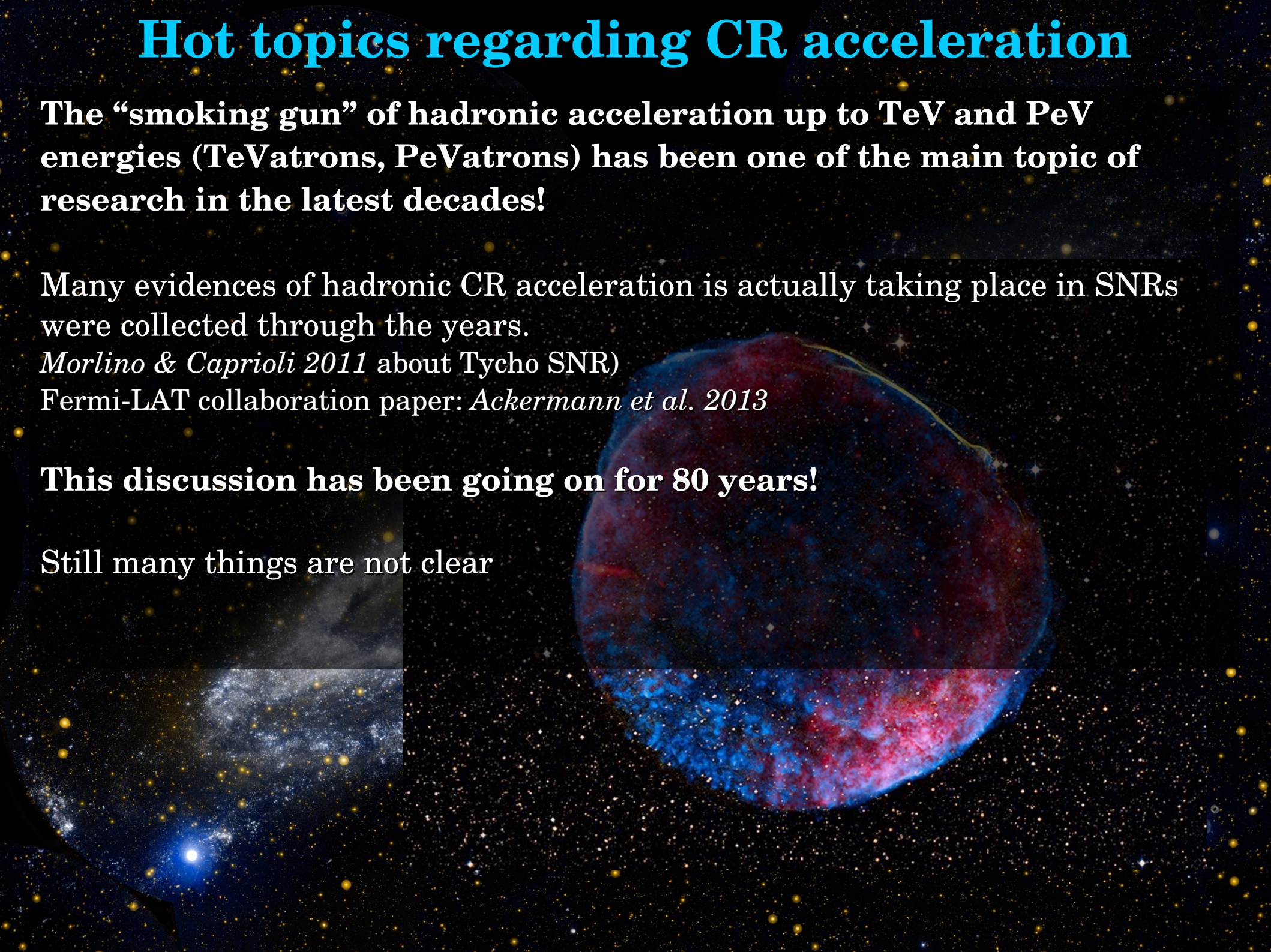
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Still many things are not clear



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- *Are CRs actually accelerated up to the knee?*
- *Non-linear phenomena in CR acceleration*

The standard theory does not explain the very large energies reached CR particles. A way to determine the maximum energy is compare the energy-dependent acceleration time with the lifetime of a SNR

If the diffusion coefficient is calculated in the same way as we saw yesterday, the acc. time is

$$\tau_{\text{acc}} \sim \frac{D(E)}{V_{\text{sh}}^2} \sim 10^5 \left(\frac{E}{10 \text{ GeV}} \right)^\delta \left(\frac{V_{\text{sh}}}{10^3 \text{ km/s}} \right)^{-2} \text{ y}$$

If the magnetic field is amplified somehow, the acceleration time gets lower, and this makes it a bit easier to reach multi-TeV energies. If Bohm diff. Applies ($D = kT/eB$):

$$\tau_{\text{acc}} \sim \frac{D(E)}{V_{\text{sh}}^2} \sim 3,3 \cdot 10^4 \left(\frac{E}{1 \text{ GeV}} \right) \left(\frac{V_{\text{sh}}}{10^3 \text{ km/s}} \right)^{-2} \left(\frac{B}{100 \mu\text{G}} \right)^{-1} \text{ s}$$

$$E_{\text{max}} = 3 \cdot 10^5 \left(\frac{T_s}{300 \text{ y}} \right) \left(\frac{V_{\text{sh}}}{1000 \text{ km/s}} \right)^2 \text{ GeV}$$

A magnetic field amplification mechanism is needed. This is still an open problem.

Again streaming instability may play a role? Accelerated CRs excite plasma waves that are responsible of their own confinement...

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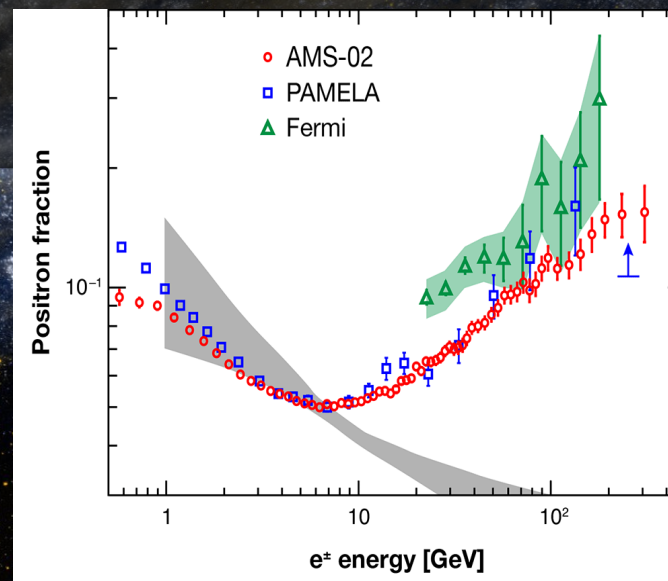
We look, as usual, at anomalies in the data.

As Mauro explained, it is interesting to look at antiparticles.

E.g. **let's focus on positrons.**

As I explained yesterday, the secondary-to-primary ratios are expected to decrease with energy (remember the B/C?)

It is possible to show, using the same arguments, that also the positron-to-electron ratio is expected to decrease. But the data show the opposite trend!!

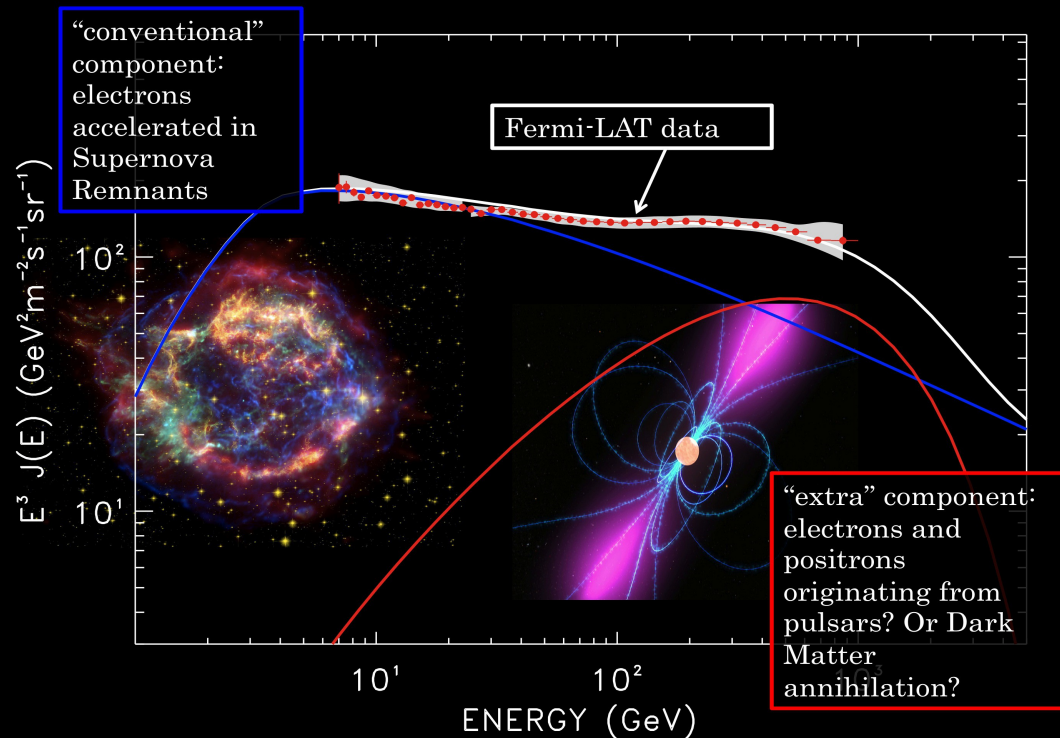


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It is well known that these results were interpreted in several ways.

- 1) A previously unaccounted population of primary electron and positrons with hard spectrum is present, coming from a local source (e.g. a pulsar)?
- 2) An exotic population of primary electron and positrons is present, coming from Dark Matter annihilation or decay?



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Summary of different interpretations with pros and cons

Pulsar interpretation.

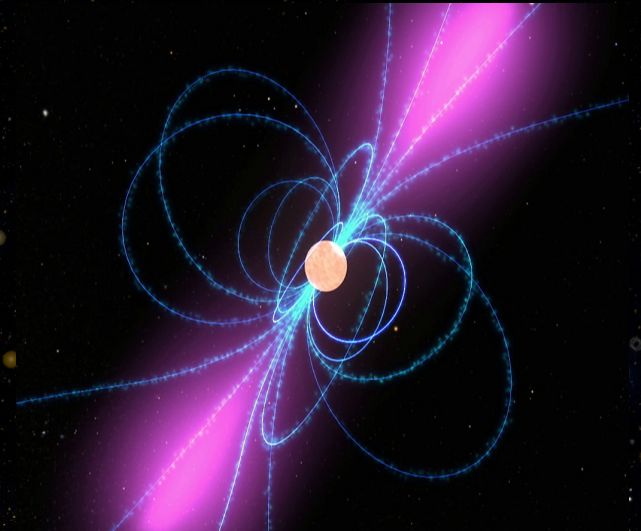
Quite natural: the energetic of observed nearby pulsars is compatible with observed fluxes.

Might be confirmed by the detection of a dipole anisotropy pointing towards a known pulsar..

No anisotropy detected so far, but the interpretation is fine with current upper limits.

Very incomplete list of papers:

P.D.Serpico arXiv:0810.4846, D. Hooper et al. ArXiv:0810.4846, S.Profumo arXiv:0812.4457, I. Buesching et al. ArXiv:0804.0220, D. Grasso et al. ArXiv:0905.0636, T.Delahaye et al. ArXiv:1002.1910, G. Di Bernardo et al. ArXiv:1010.0174, **and many others...**

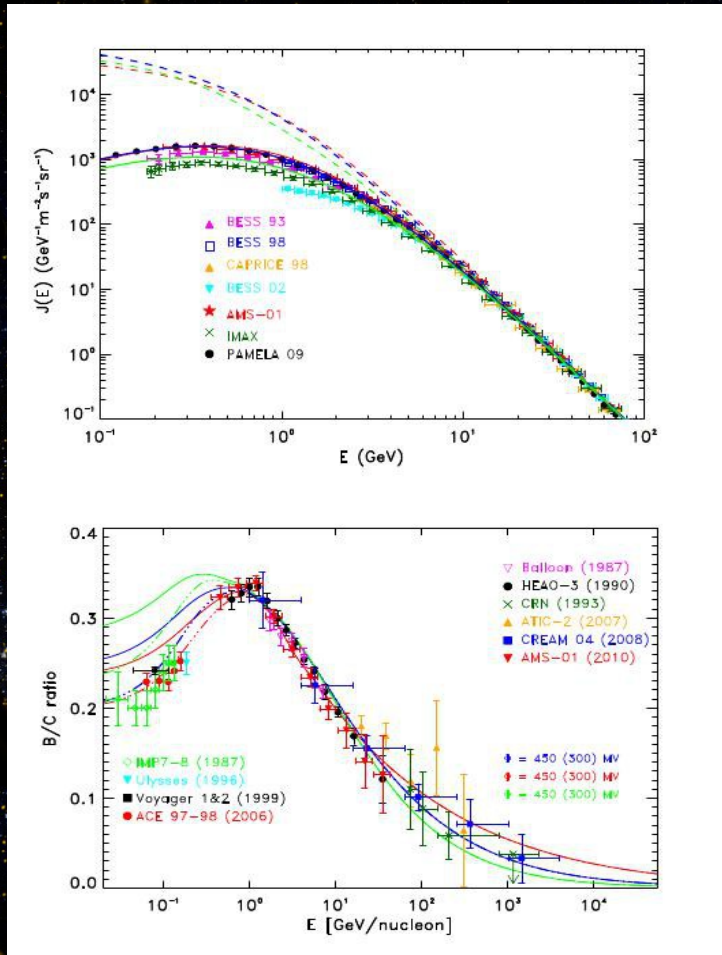


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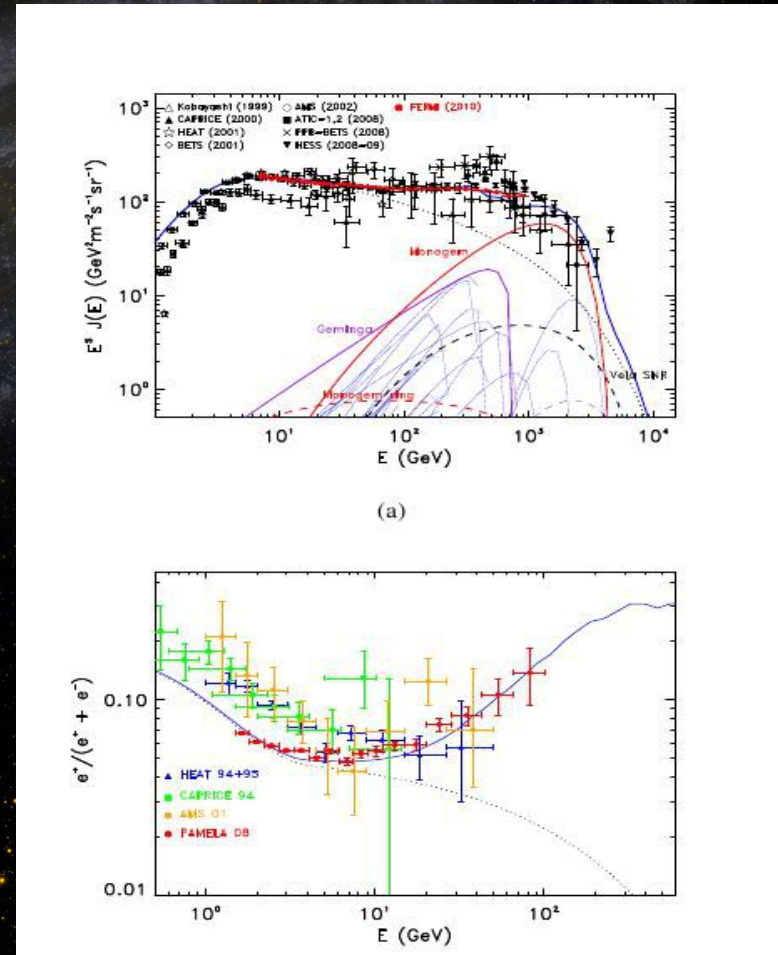
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Results from the DRAGON team regarding the PULSAR scenario.

Using diffusion setups that consistently reproduce the protons, antiprotons, B/C and other nuclei ratio, we were able to fit the positron fraction rising as well as absolute leptonic fluxes with a conventional component + local sources (pulsars, SNRs)



G. Di Bernardo,
C.Evoli, D.Gaggero,
D.Grasso,
L.Maccione,
M.N.Mazziotta,
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Dark Matter interpretation.

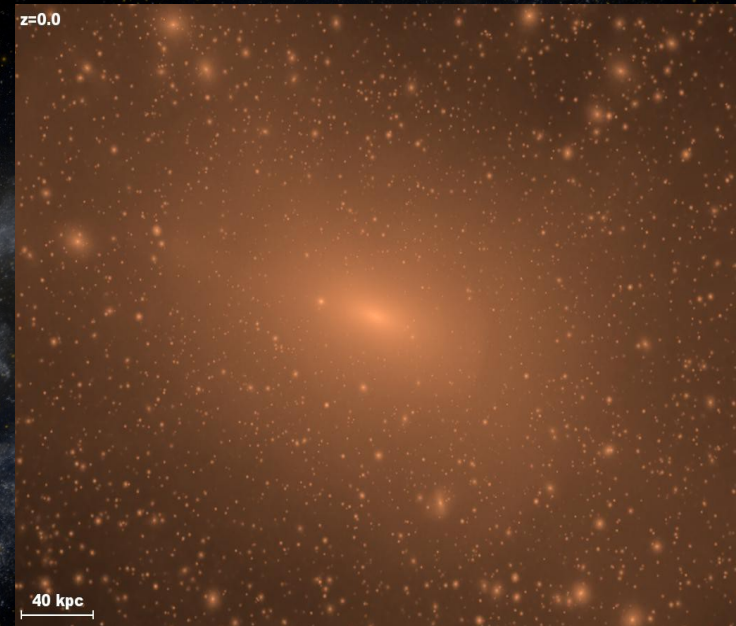
Not so natural for many reasons. Very challenging for model builders:

- DM particle should be heavy
- it requires very high cross section (boost factor)
- it requires a “leptophilic” behaviour (no annihilation into hadrons)

(See e.g. Arkani-Hamed arXiv:0810.0713 for a model with Sommerfeld enhancement that includes all these features)

Might be strongly constrained or ruled out by antiproton measurements, gamma rays and other observables.

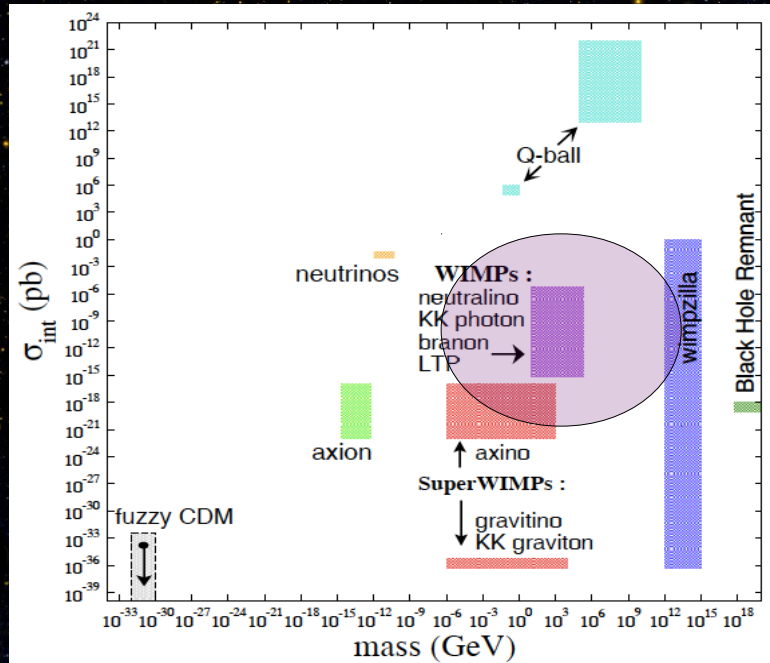
(See e.g. Evoli et al. ArXiv:1108.0664)



Very popular in the literature! (list taken from a slide by M.Cirelli)

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Why is all this so relevant for the Dark Matter puzzle?

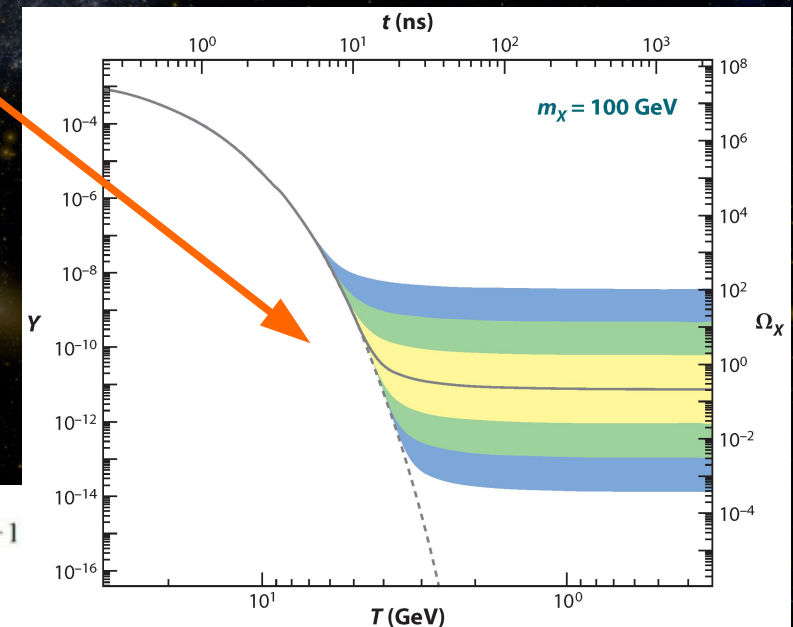


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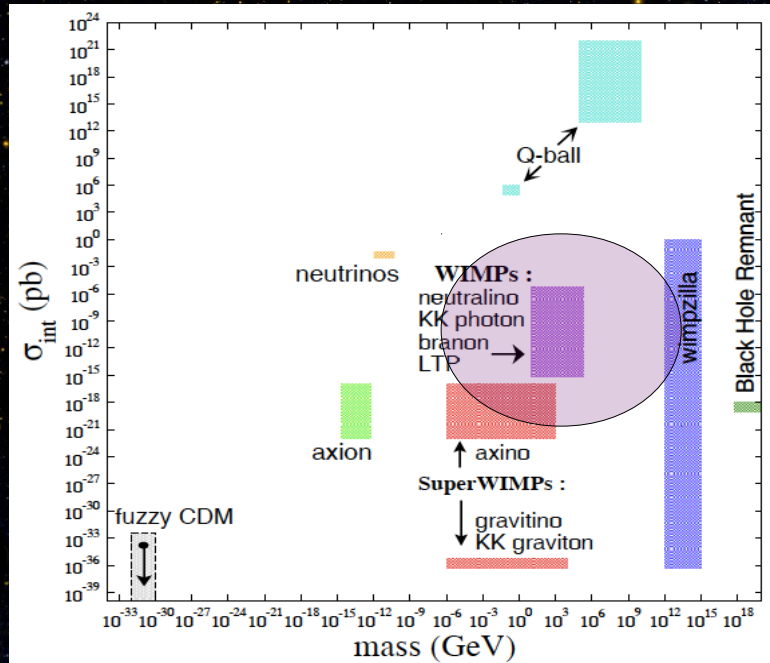
→ It is well known that *WIMPs can provide the correct relic density*

(Lee&Weinberg
PRL 1977,
Gondolo&Gelmini,
NuPhB 1990)



$$\Omega h^2 \simeq 0.1 \times \left(\frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle_{\text{freeze}}}{3 \times 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}} \right)^{-1}$$

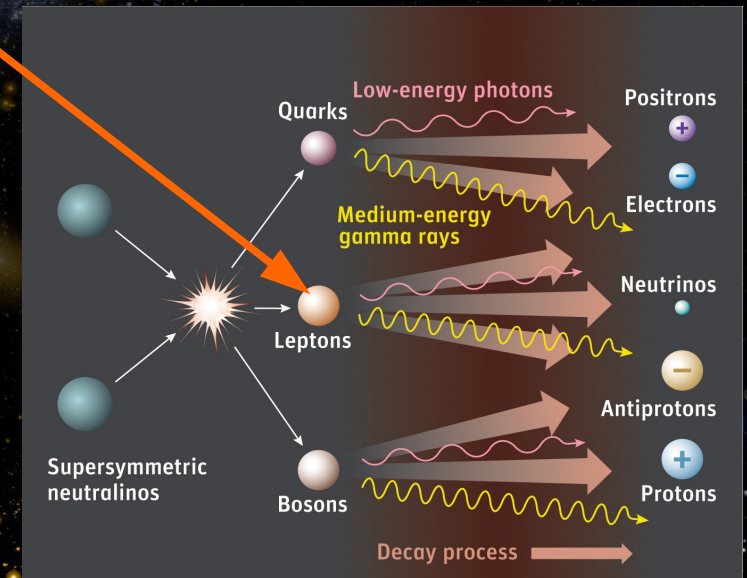
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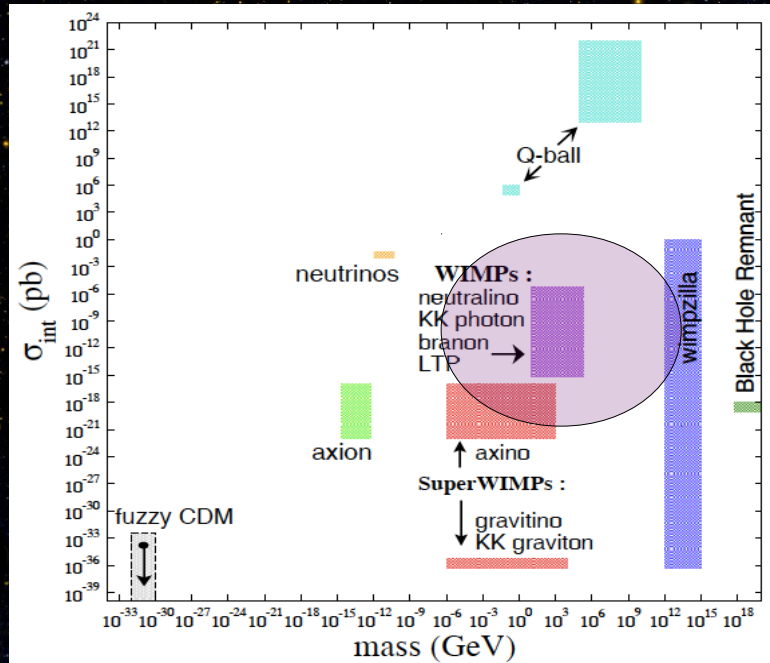
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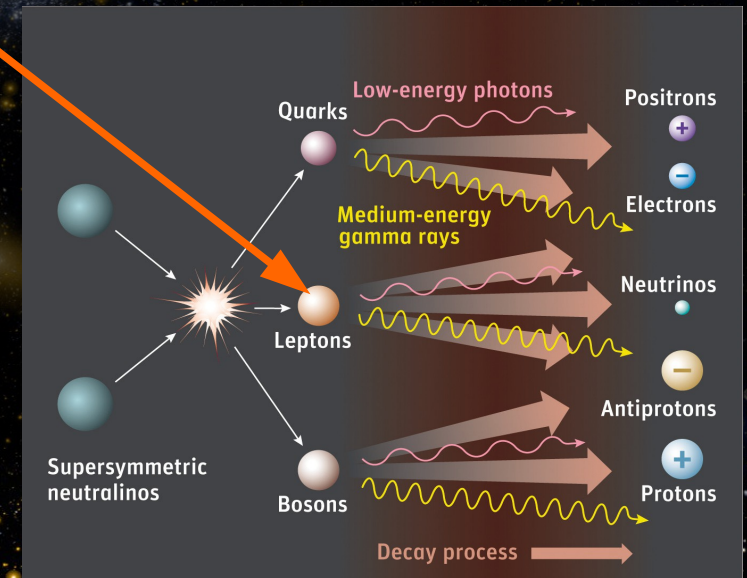


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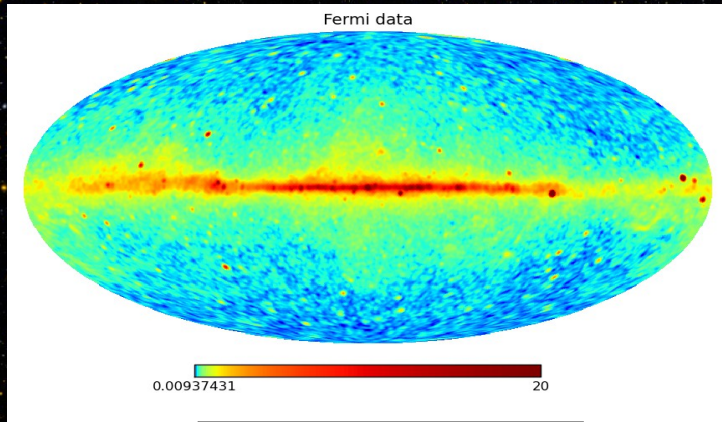
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That's why the DM community has been so interested for a long time in CR physics!



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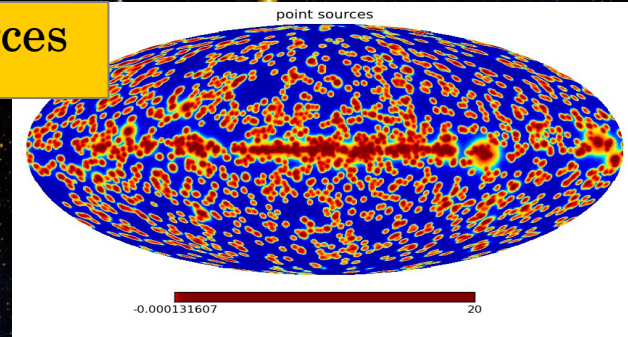


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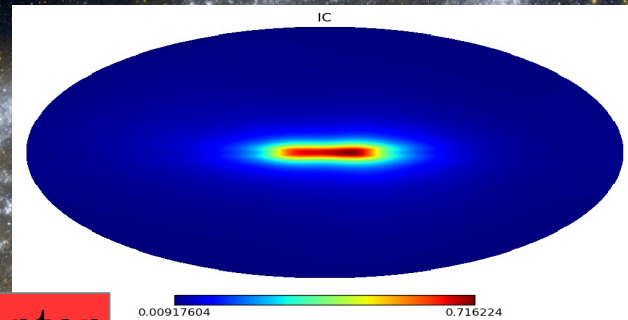
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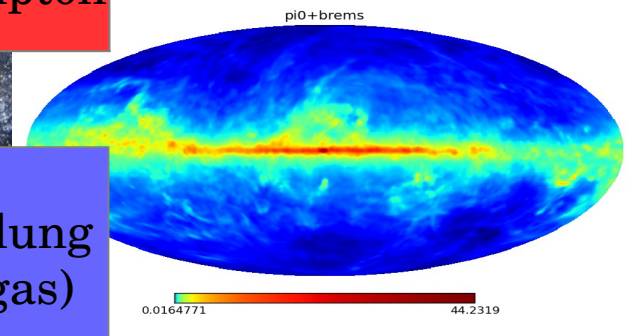
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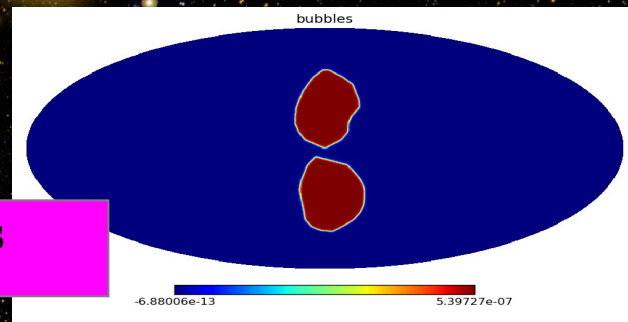
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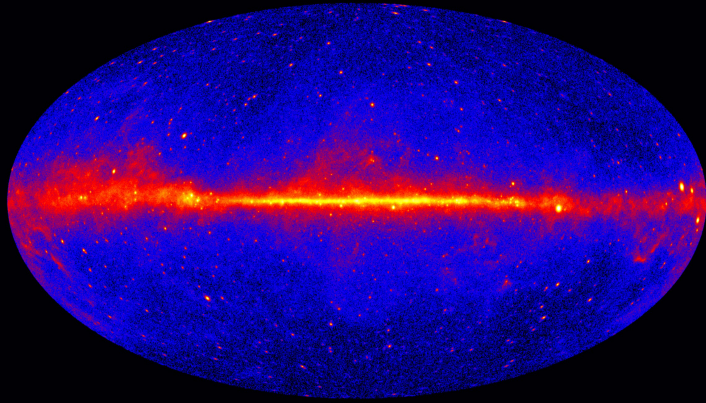
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bremsstrahlung
(traces IS gas)



Bubbles



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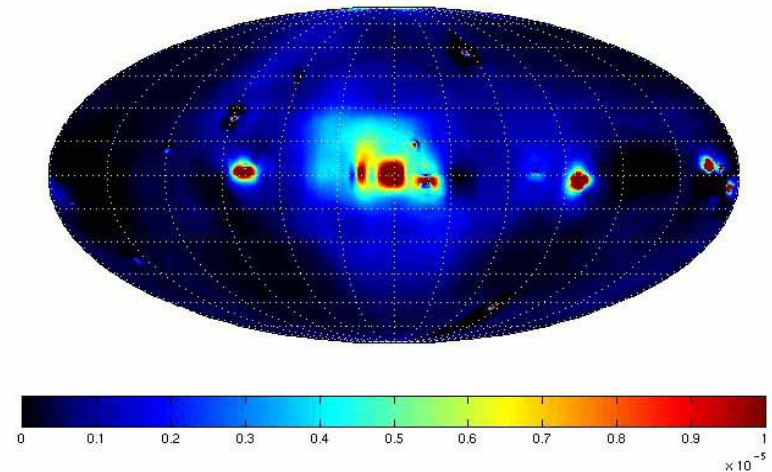
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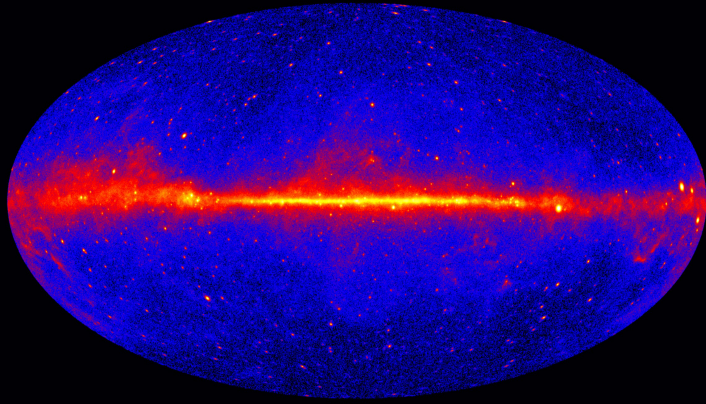
→ It is not well known that the very first claim of a gamma-ray excess centered on the GC region dates back to the pre-Fermi era!

(Dixon *et al.* 1998:

arXiv::astro-ph/9803237v2)



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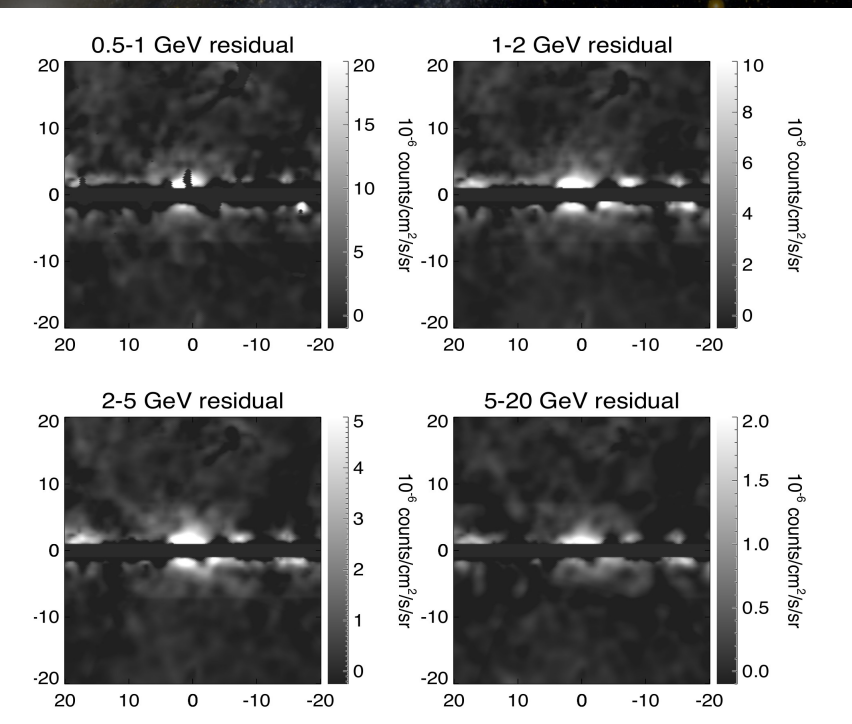
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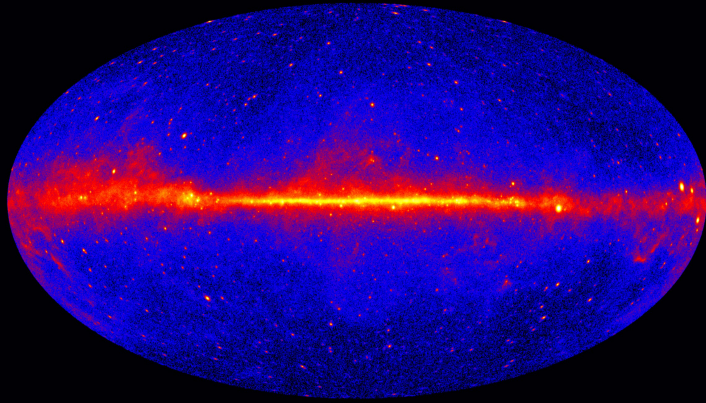
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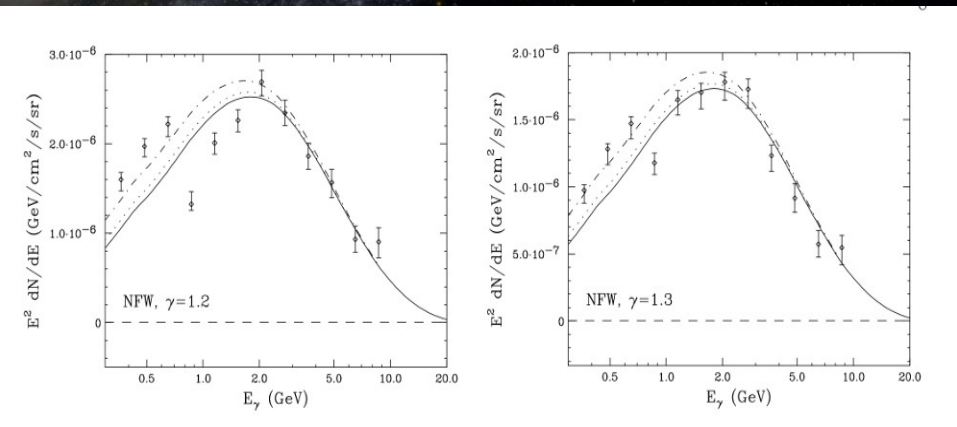
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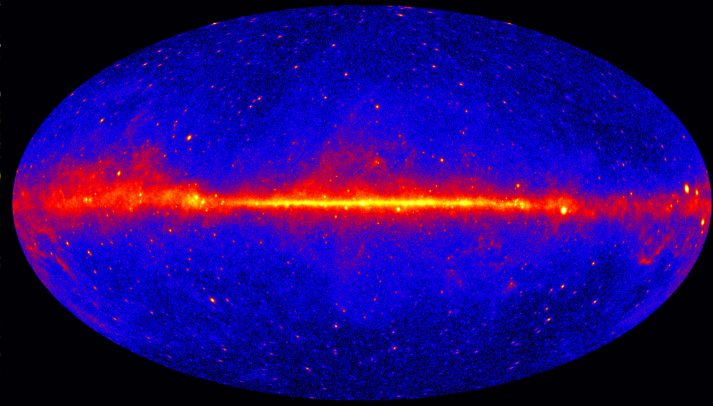
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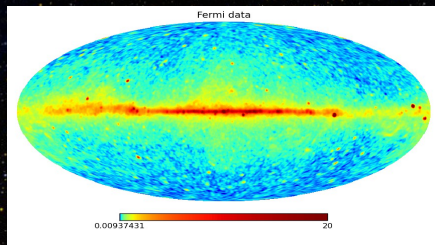


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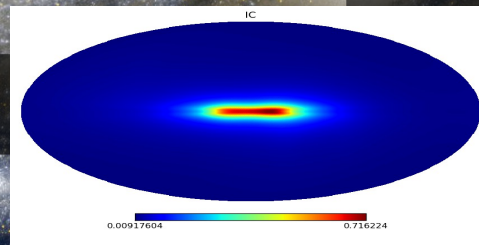
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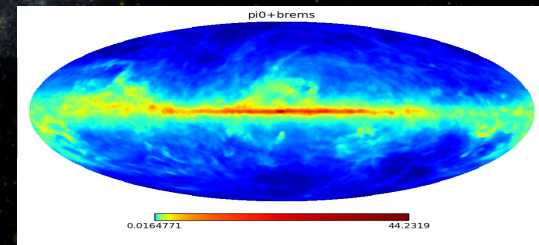
→ the gamma-ray map is written, for each energy bin, as a sum of the astrophysical templates, and the coefficients are left free to float



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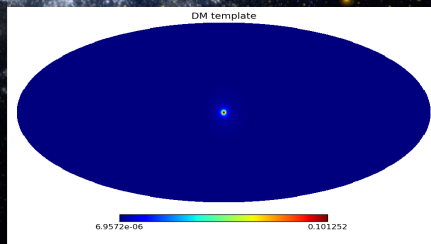


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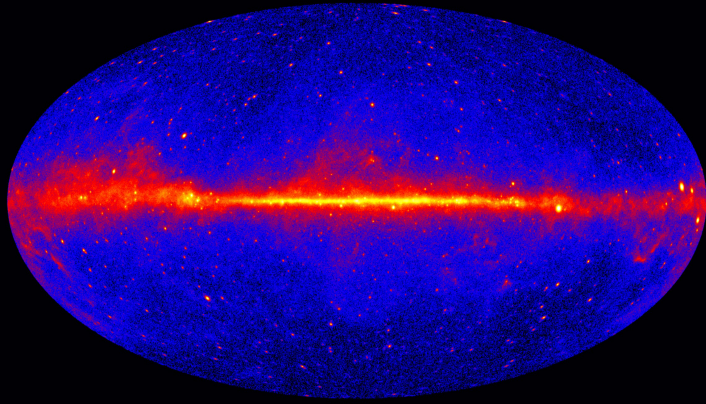
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... + c_{DM}



The interesting result comes if the DM template is preferred by the template fitting algorithm

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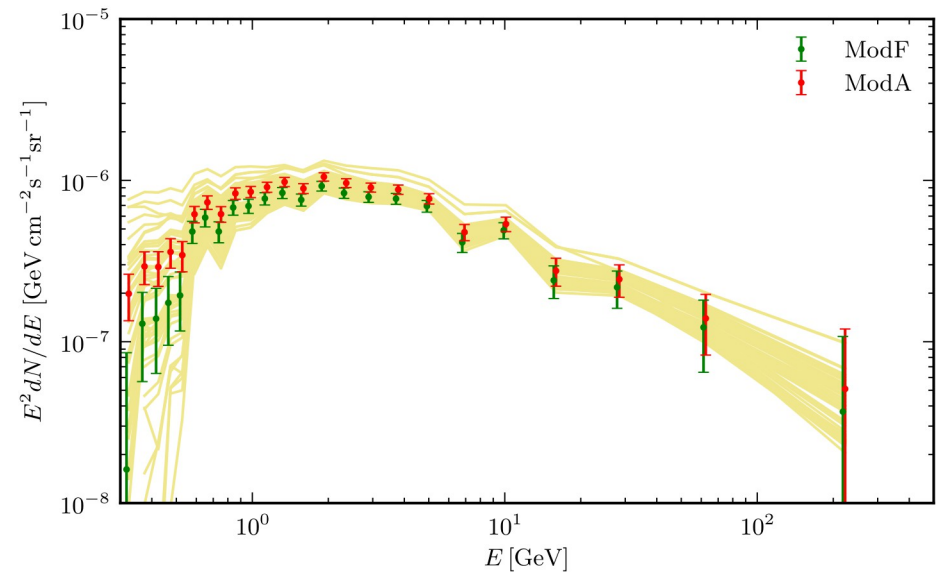


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In *Calore et al. 2014* the fitting procedure is performed with a set of templates generated with GALPROP corresponding to a wide class of physical models.

The template fitting machinery provides the best combination of the various templates
→ With this scan, it was possible to determine a systematic band for the spectrum of the excess!

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Two key questions are:

Can we explain this excess with astrophysics?

→ or may it be reabsorbed by a particular astrophysical template?

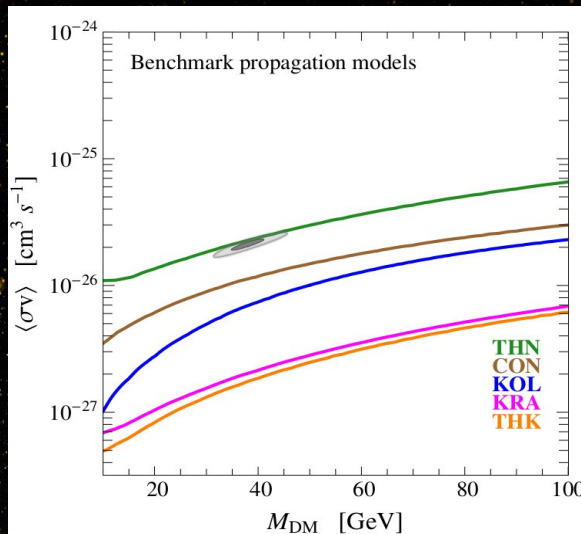
Is the DM interpretation in tension with other observables?

→ in particular, the antiprotons may provide a stringent bound

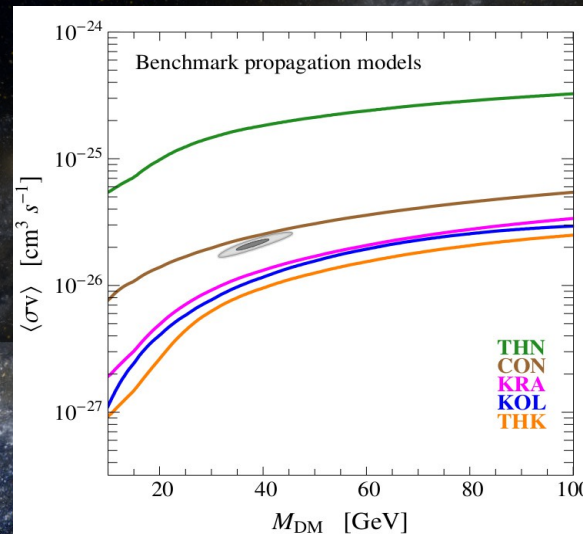
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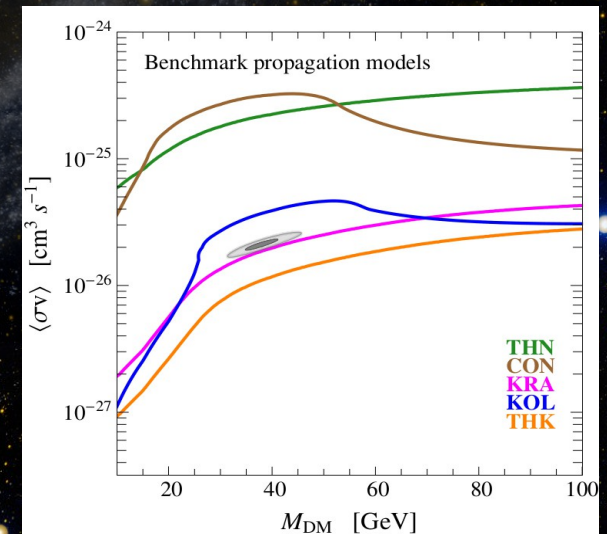
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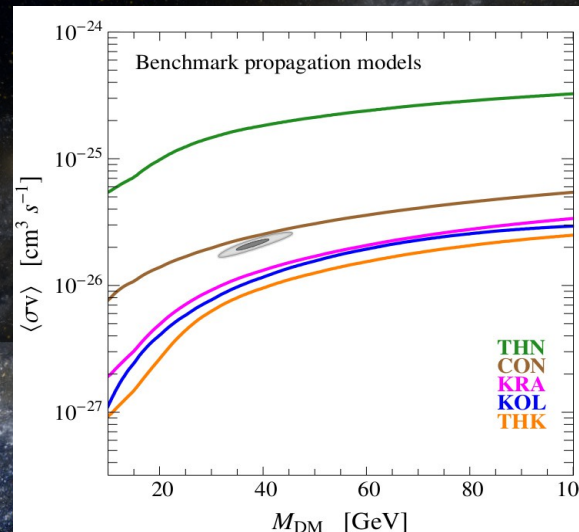
In this case the modulation potential of the antiprotons is free (a bit unrealistic!!)

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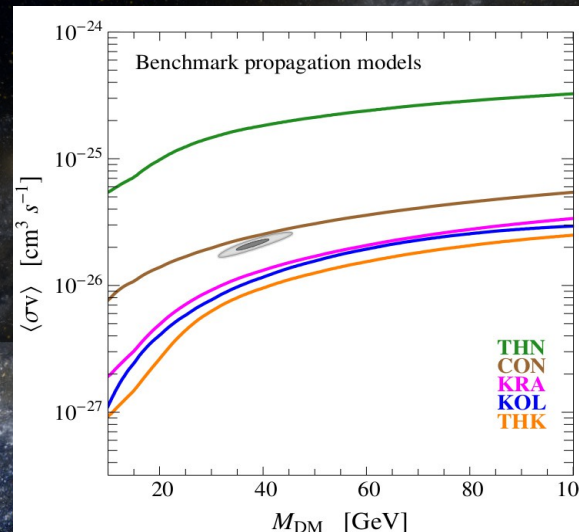
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A more precise knowledge of
→ the details of solar modulation
→ the halo size of the Galaxy
→ the details of the propagation models
are important to produce a solid bound!



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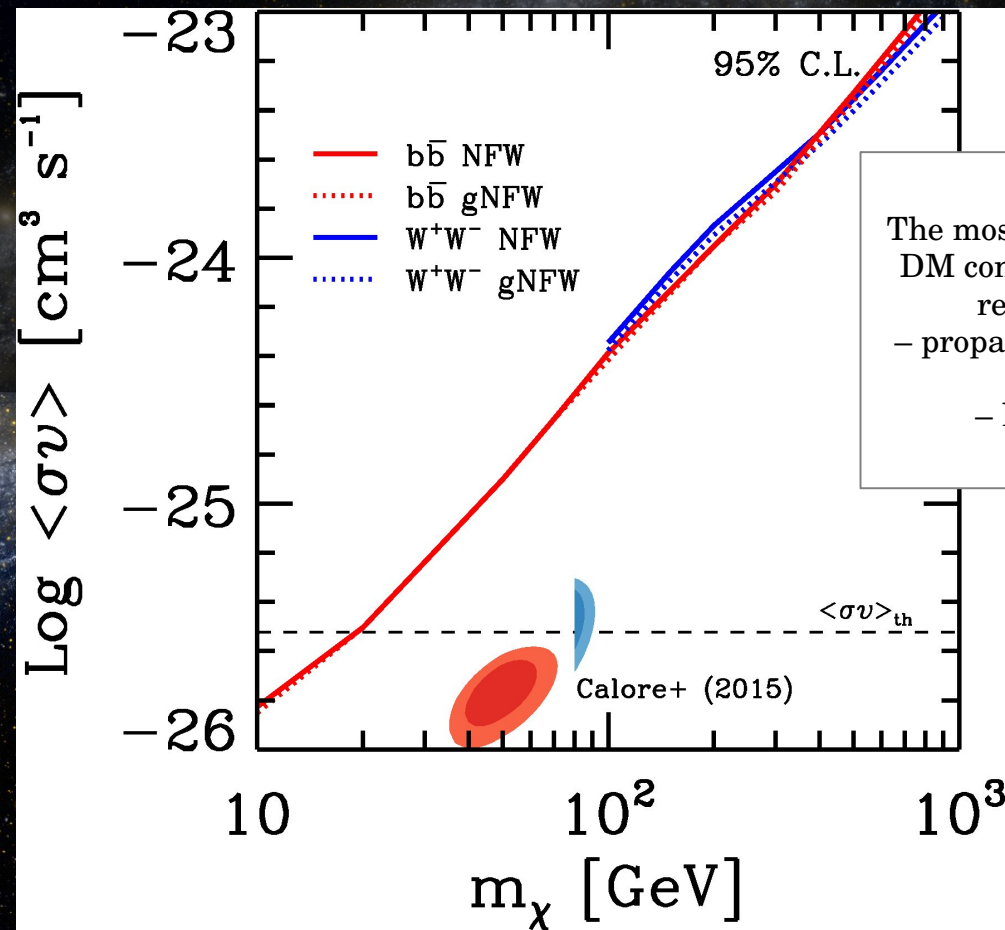
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The bottom line of all this issue is:

Although the best-fit propagation models of CRs are in tension with the DM interpretation, the current status of the uncertainties do not allow to rule out the scenario!



The most conservative DM constraints with respect to:
– propagation models
– halo size

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Can we explain this excess with astrophysics?

A population of millisecond pulsars?

Wang et al. 2005 – Gordon and Macias 2013 – Hooper et al. 2013 – Calore et al. 2014 – Cholis et al. 2014 ...

→ problems with the
luminosity function?

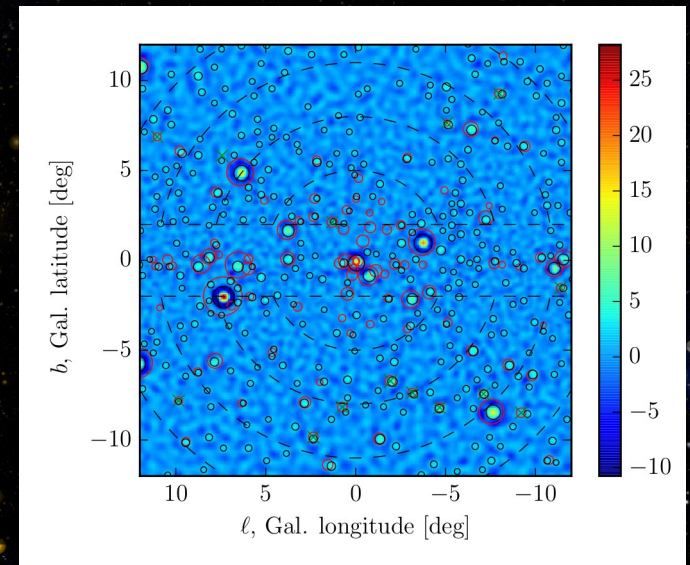
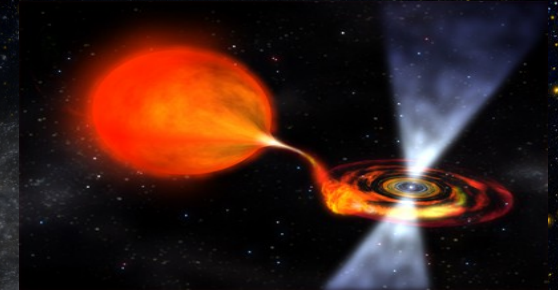
under debate: see Petrovic et al. 2014

→ strong hints in favour of this interpretation come from two
independent analyses based on

Non-Poissonian photon statistics: see Lee et al. 2015

Wavelet transforms: see Bartels et al. 2015

A population of point sources is favoured by
these analyses



The Galactic center excess

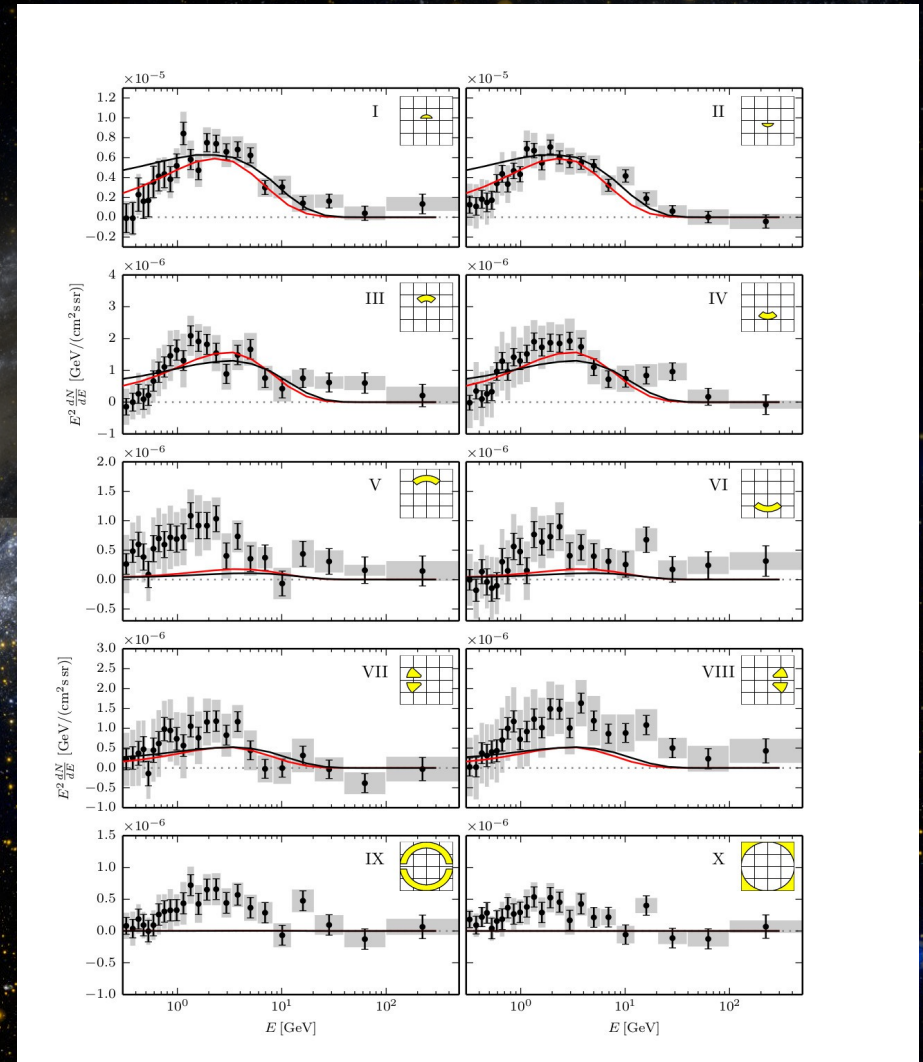
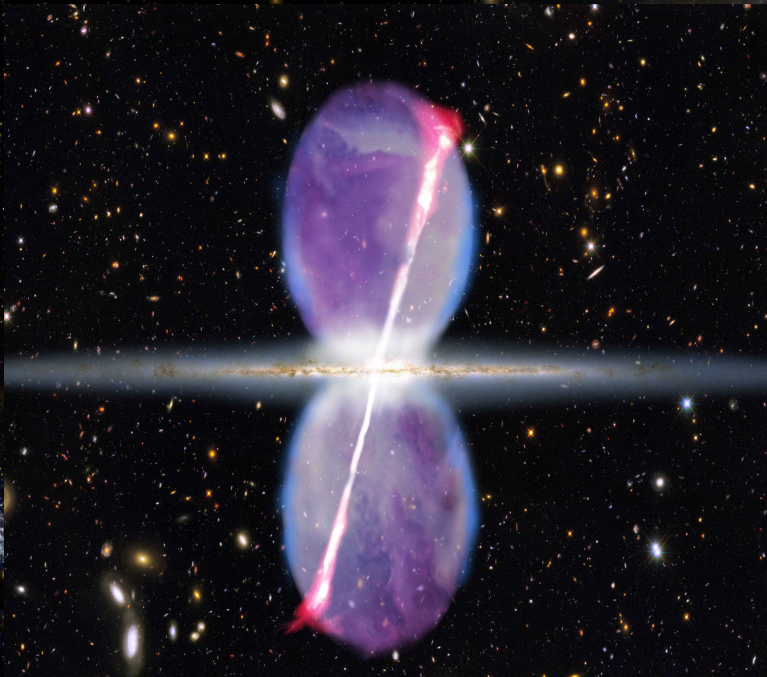
Can we explain this excess with astrophysics?

Transient phenomena?

Carlson et al. 2014 – Petrovic et al. 2015

More recently: Cholis et al. 2015

→ problems with spectra
and morphology



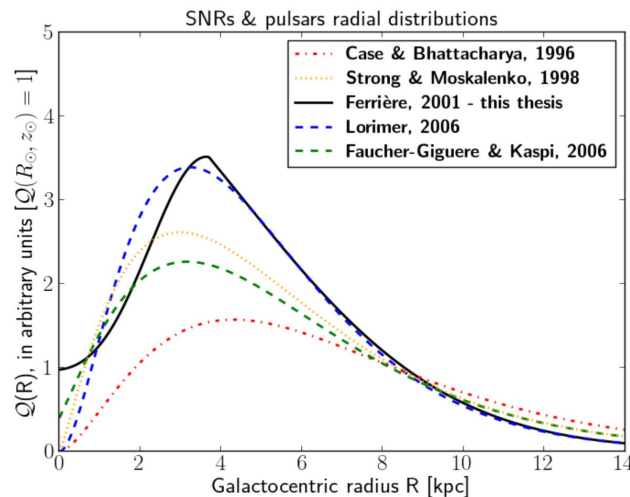
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What about a standard CR source?

→ We know that all CR models used in these analyses are not designed to reproduce correctly the GC region!

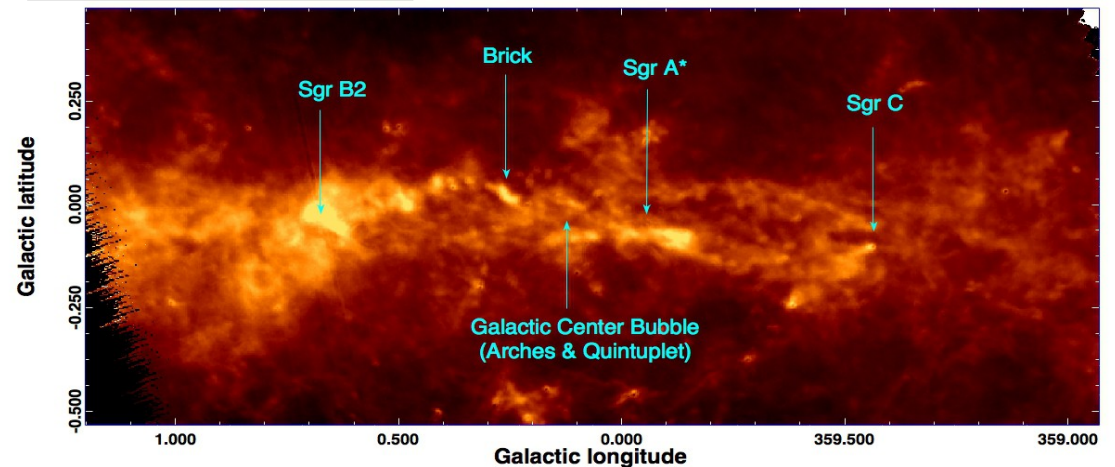
→ in particular there are problems with the CR source term.

The source function is extrapolated from SNR and pulsar catalogues fail to account for the very active star-forming region located in the inner Galaxy



(a) Radial profile of the distribution functions of the CRs sources

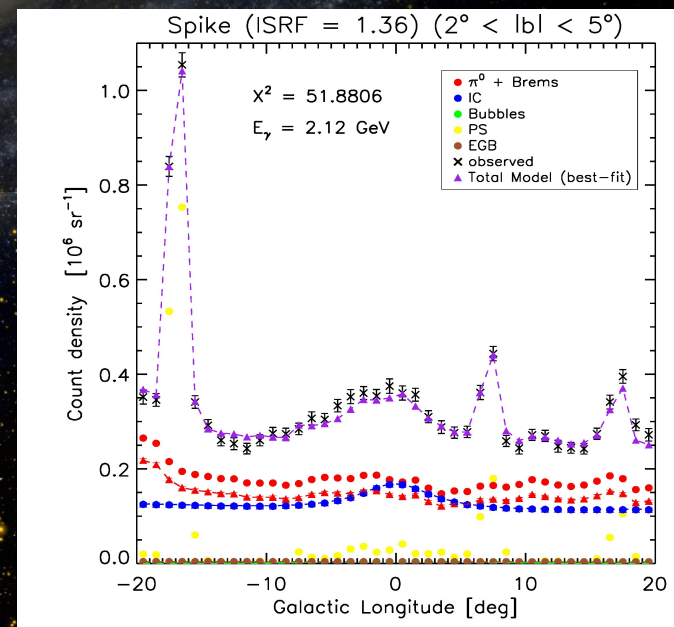
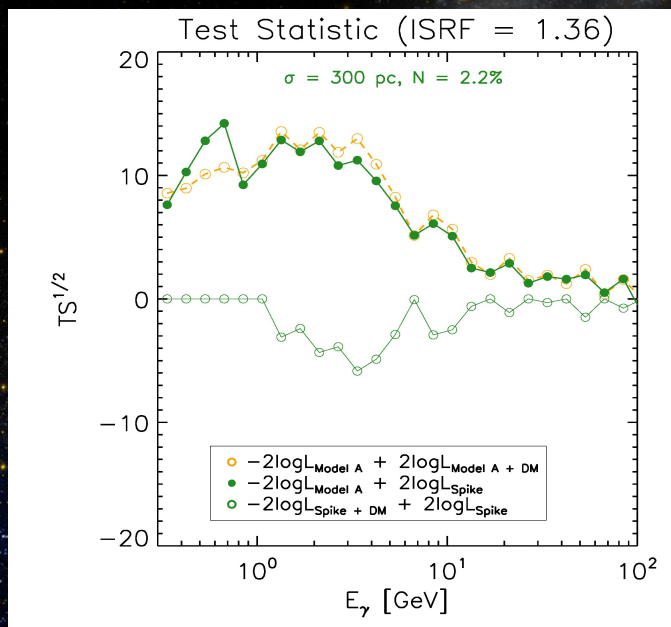
Dust temperature map of the inner Central Molecular Zone



The Galactic center excess

What about a standard CR source?

→ We considered a steady-state source in the center (see Alfredo Urbano's talk) compatible with current estimates on the Star Formation Rate in the inner Galaxy $\sim 1\%$ of the total SFR in the Galaxy according to several papers e.g. *Figer, ApJ 601 (2004)* and re-implemented the template-fitting algorithm with the IC template computed accordingly. This scenario does not show any evidence of excess. From the likelihood point of view, this picture works as well as the DM case.



The Galactic center excess

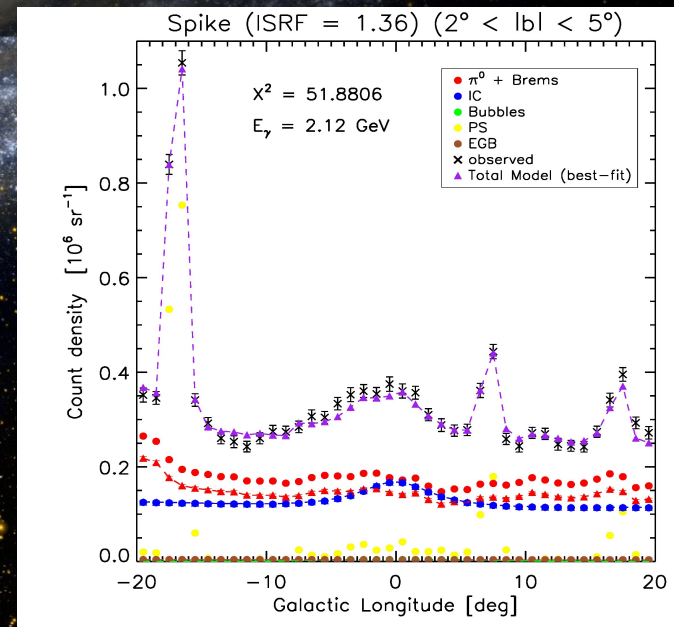
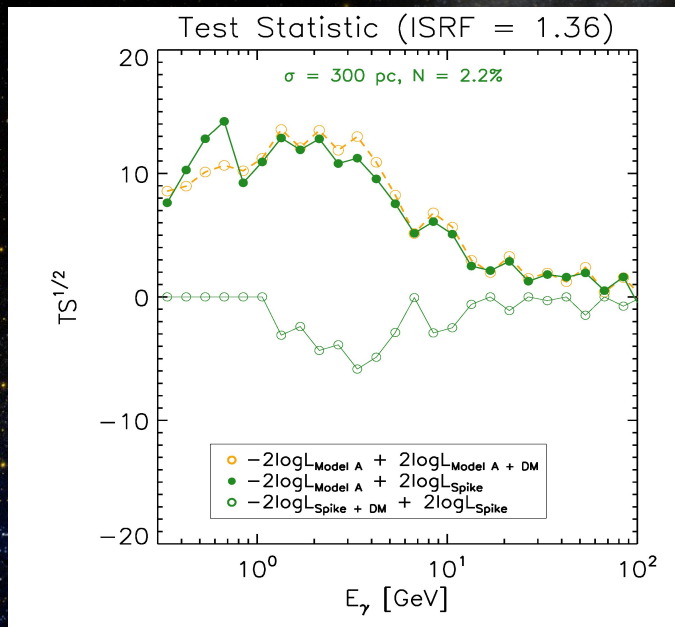
The bottom line on the GC issue is that we still have to understand what is going on.

→ The DM scenario is appealing and viable

→ Astrophysical interpretations are still possible

In this context:

- A more accurate modelling of the CR acceleration and propagation in the inner Galaxy is compelling



Conclusions

- **CR physics is ~100 years old.** Very interesting from both the astrophysics and particle-physics point of view.
- **We have probably understood the main aspects of CR acceleration and propagation**, but many crucial points are still under debate
- **Many anomalies in the data.** We need a more detailed picture, more realistic simulations, more inputs from theory in order to understand what is going on.
- **Fascinating connections with different areas of science.** Will we ever indirectly detect Dark Matter looking at some anomaly in CR spectra, or in the gamma radiation originating from CRs?

Thanks for the attention!

