

# Cosmic ray origin and gamma-ray astronomy above 1 TeV



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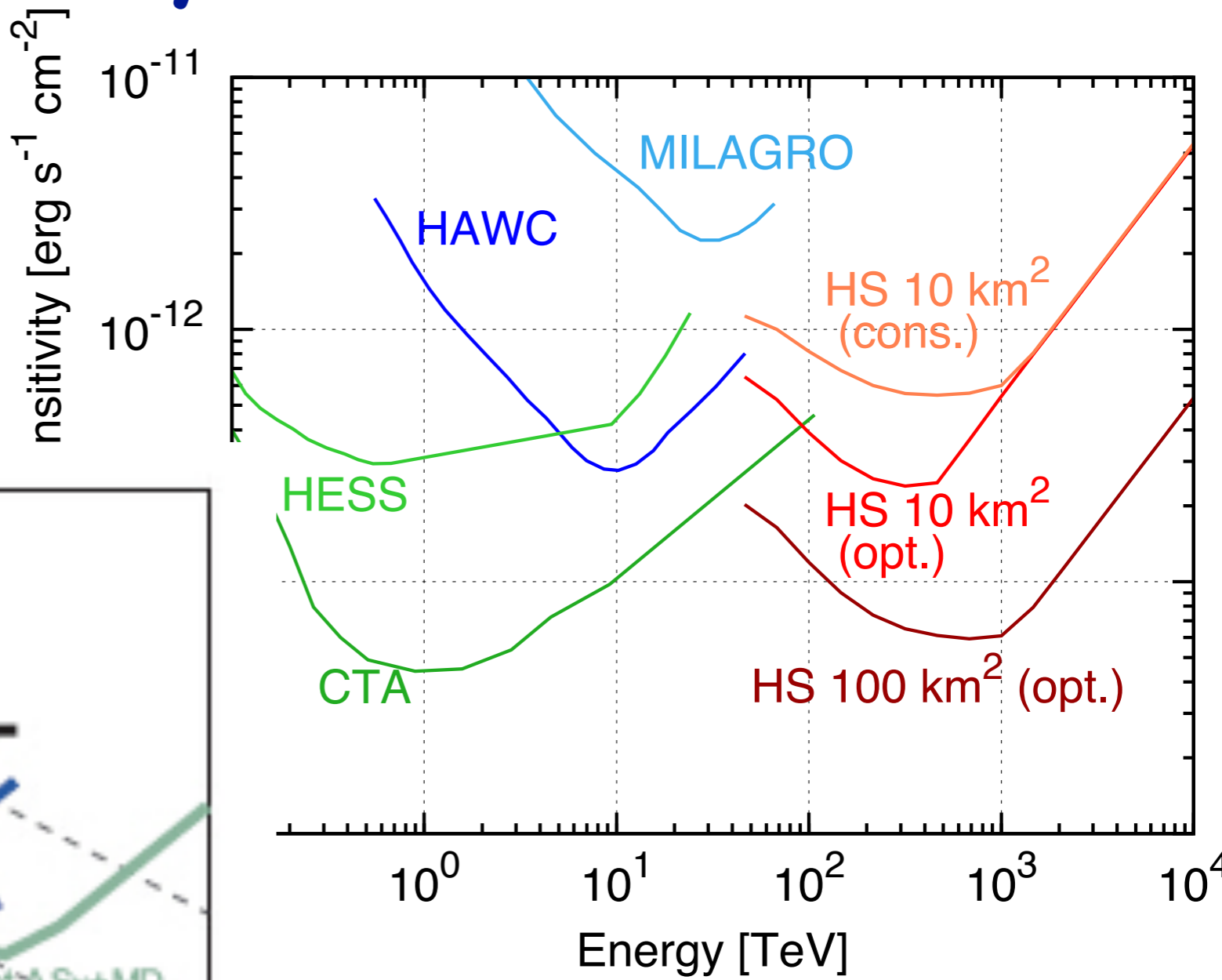
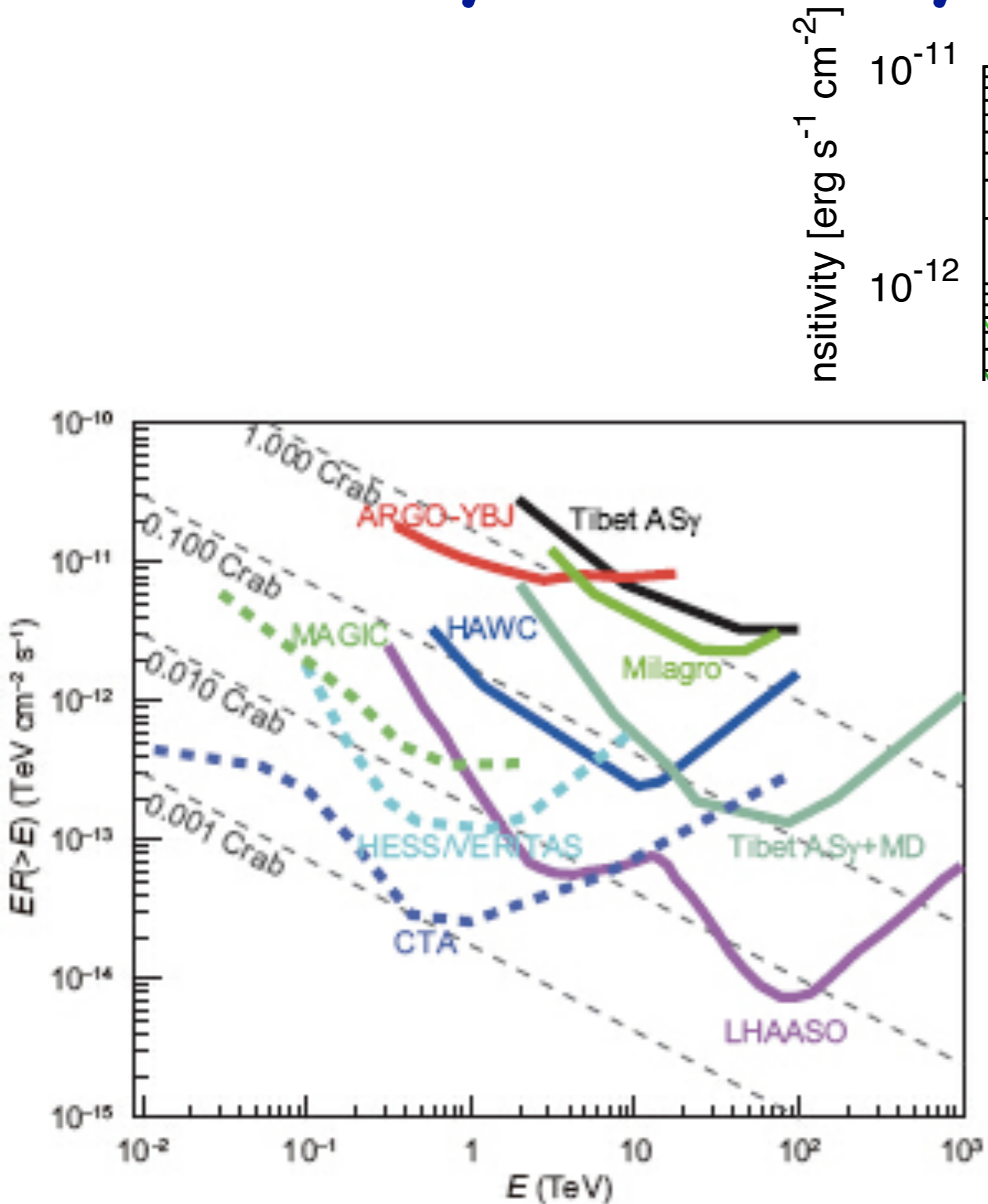
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# Outline of the talk

Bottom line question: why are instruments like MILAGRO & sons so cool?

- Gamma-ray astronomy: present and future facilities
- Gamma-ray astronomy and the origin of cosmic rays
- Where are CR PeVatrons?
- Diffuse emission in the (multi-)TeV energy domain
- The link with neutrino astronomy

# Gamma ray astronomy: where do we stand

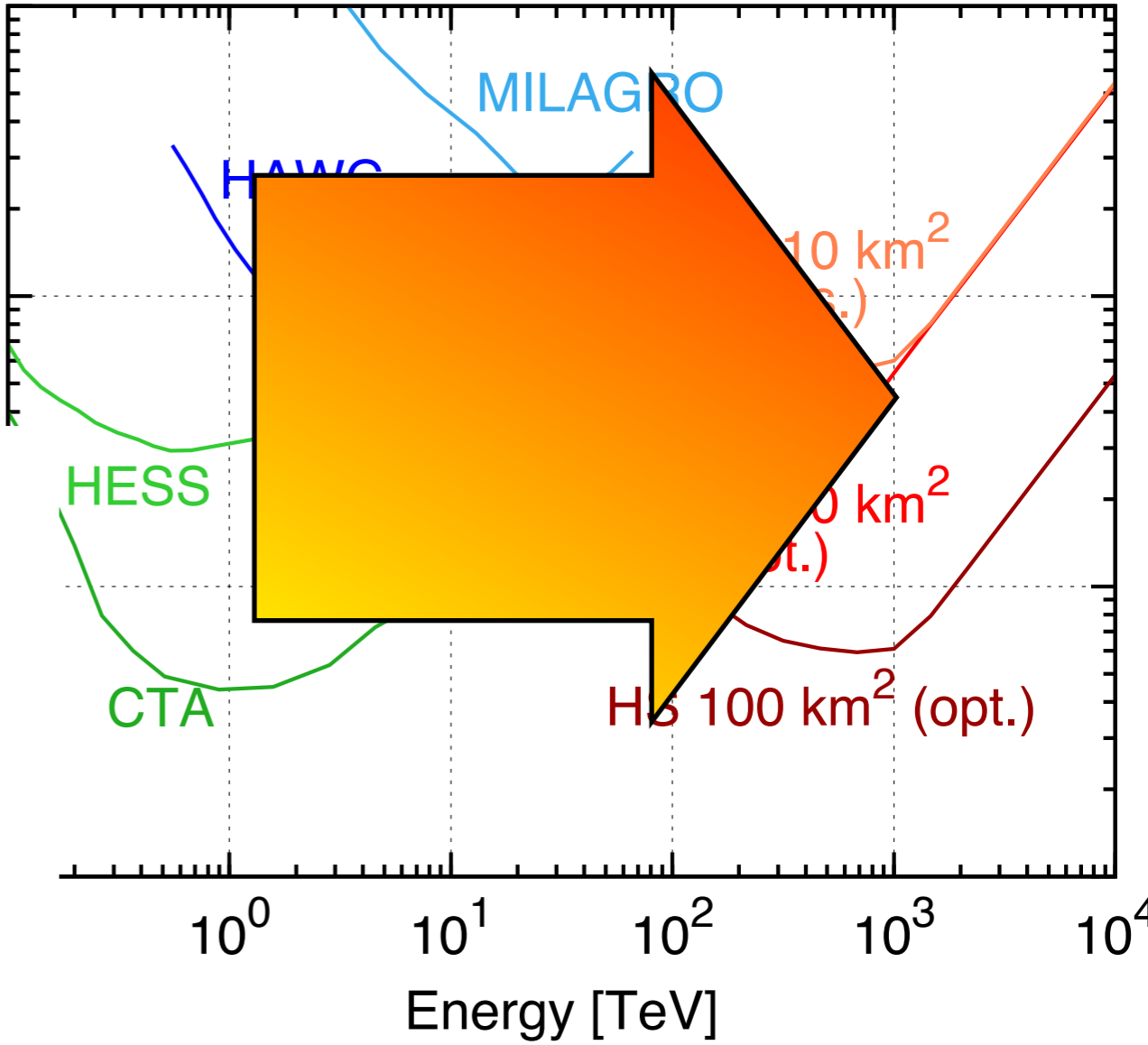
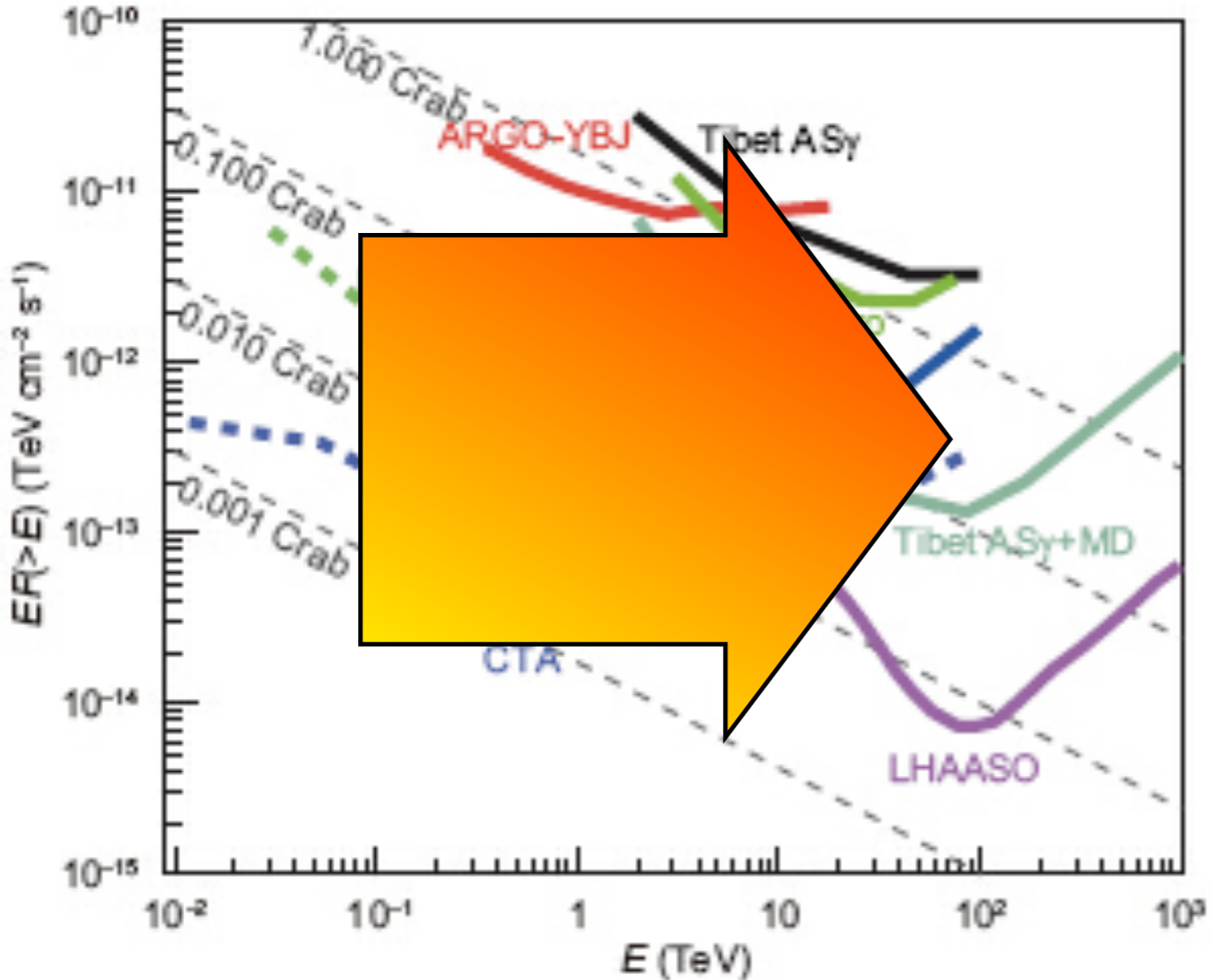


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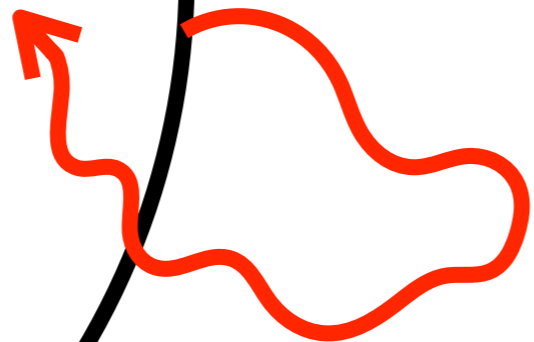
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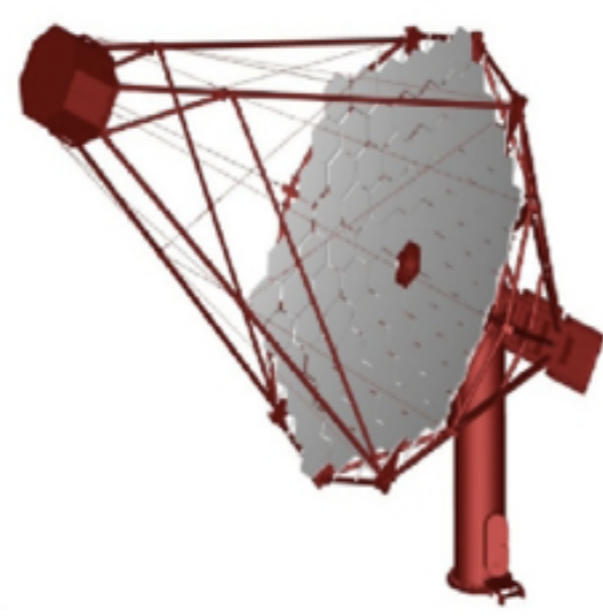
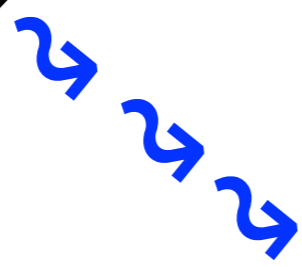
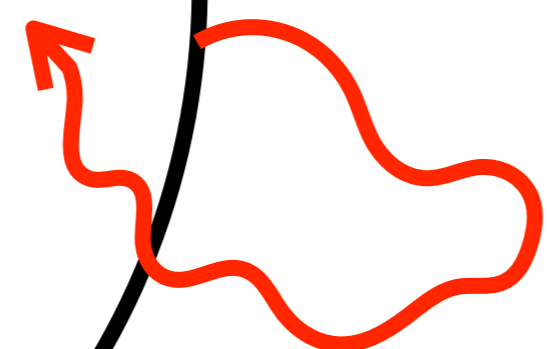
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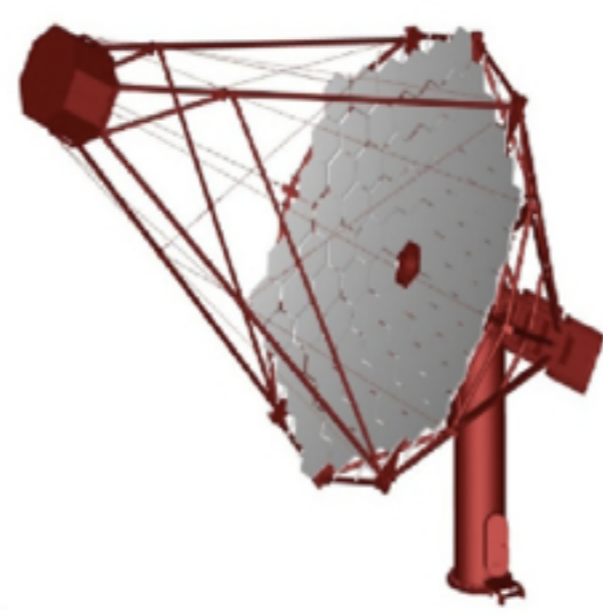
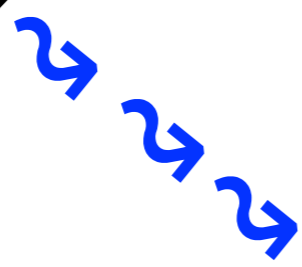
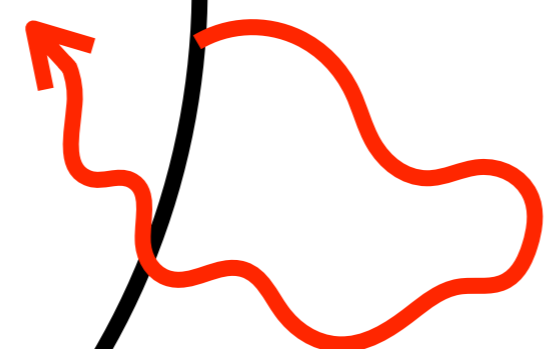
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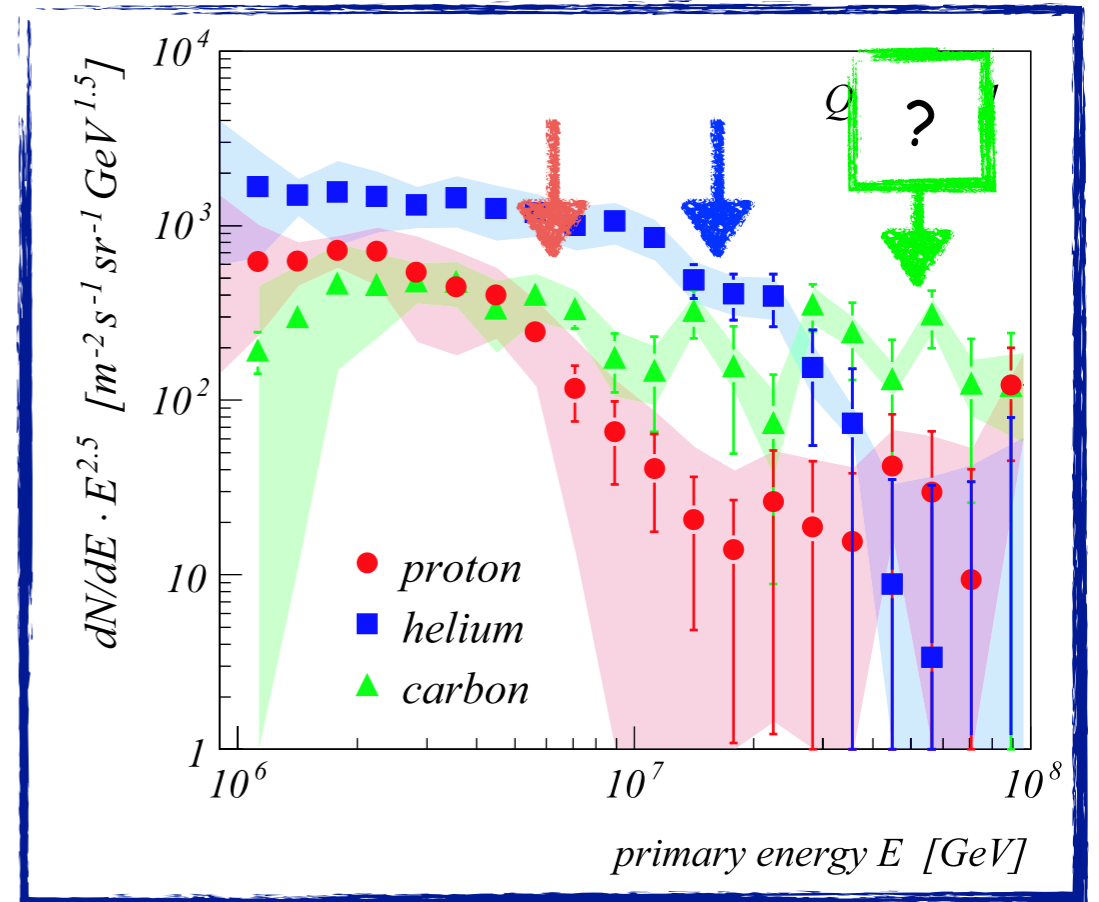
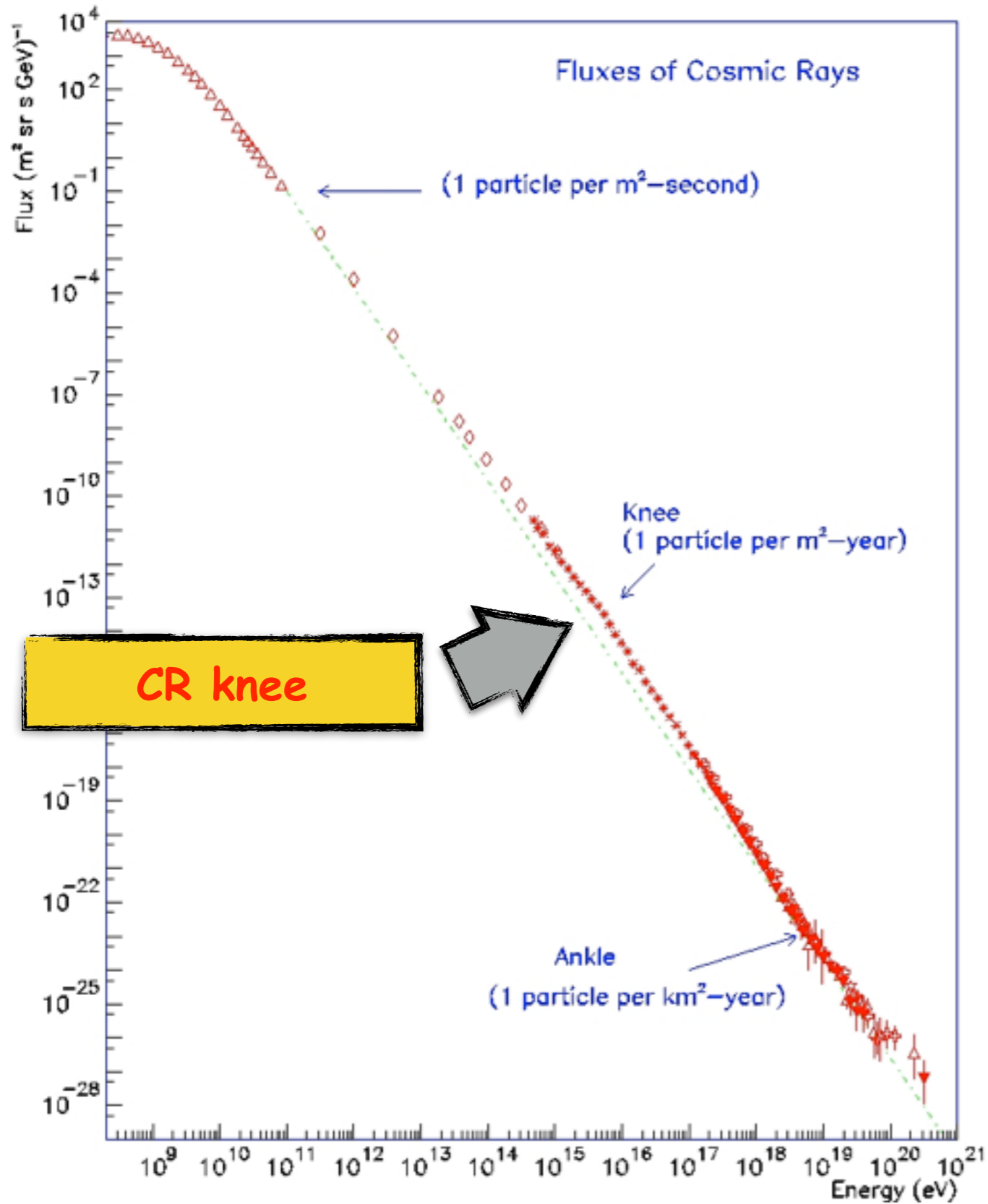


very popular but not proven yet!

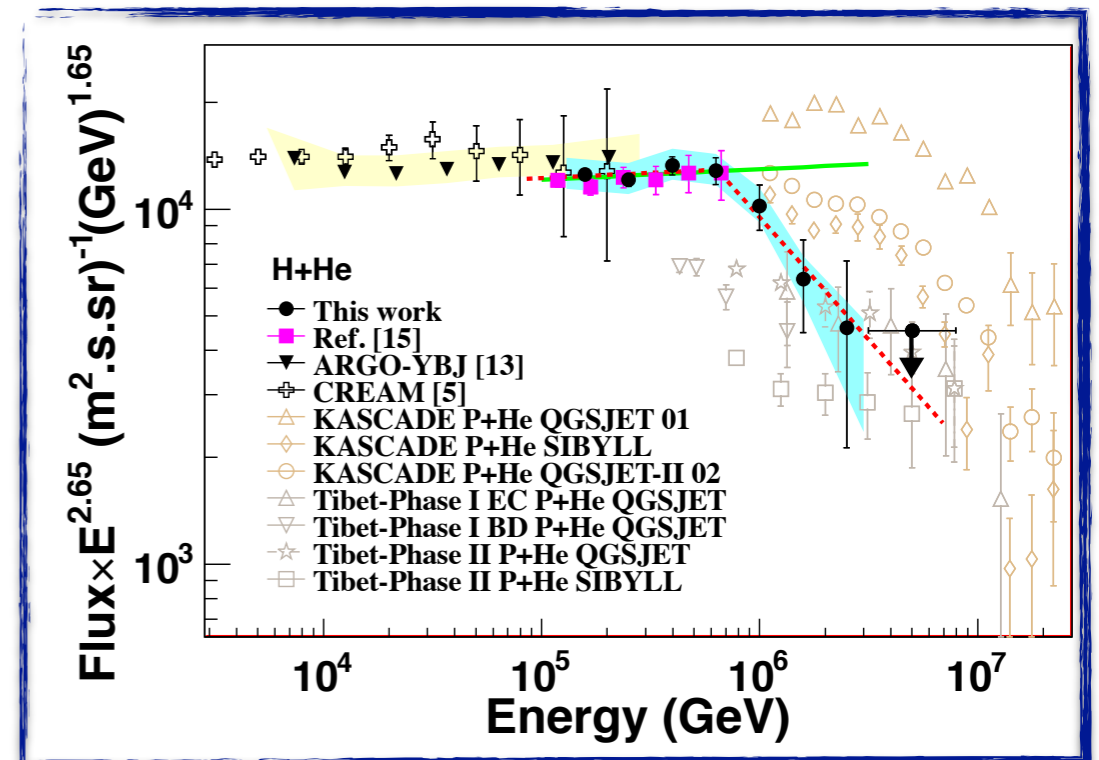
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# We need proton PeVatrons



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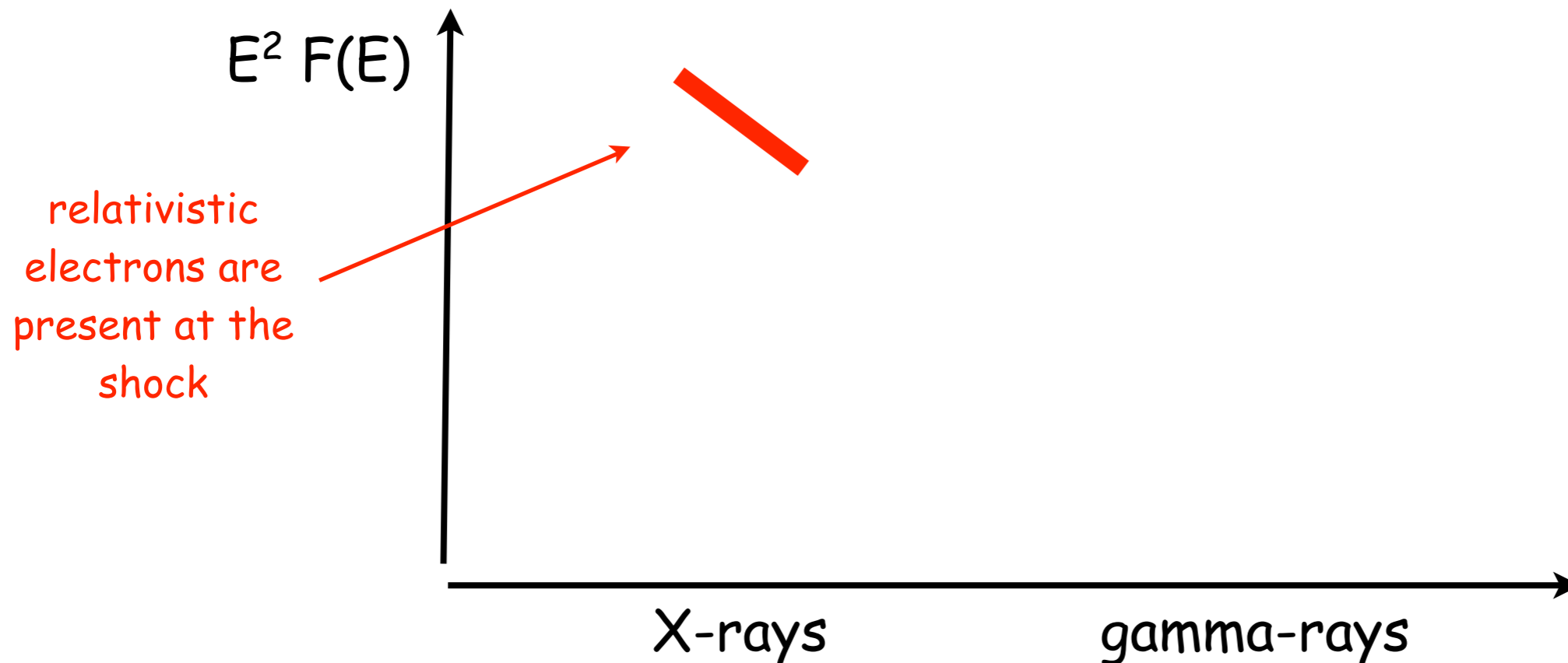


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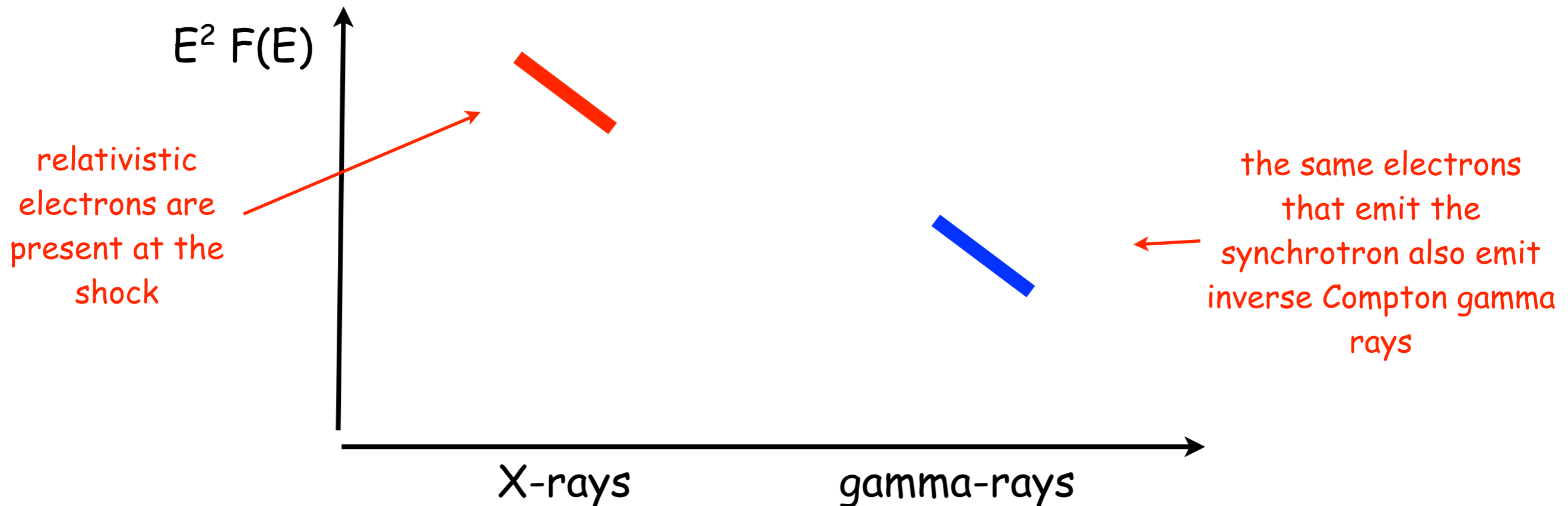
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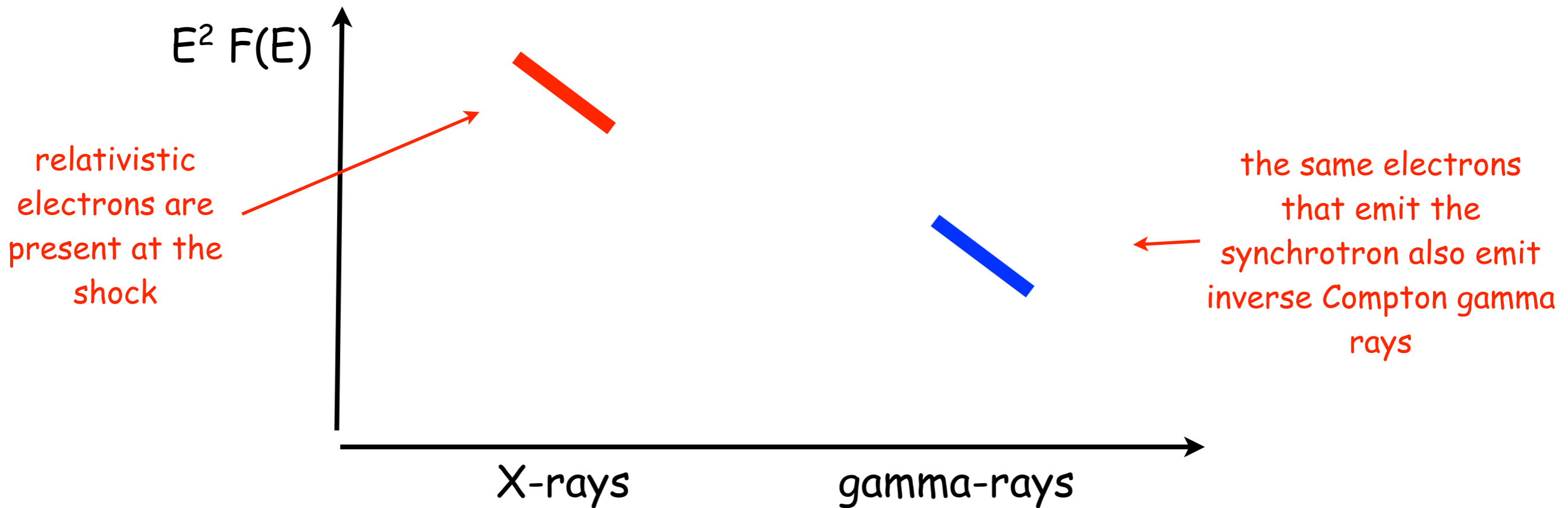
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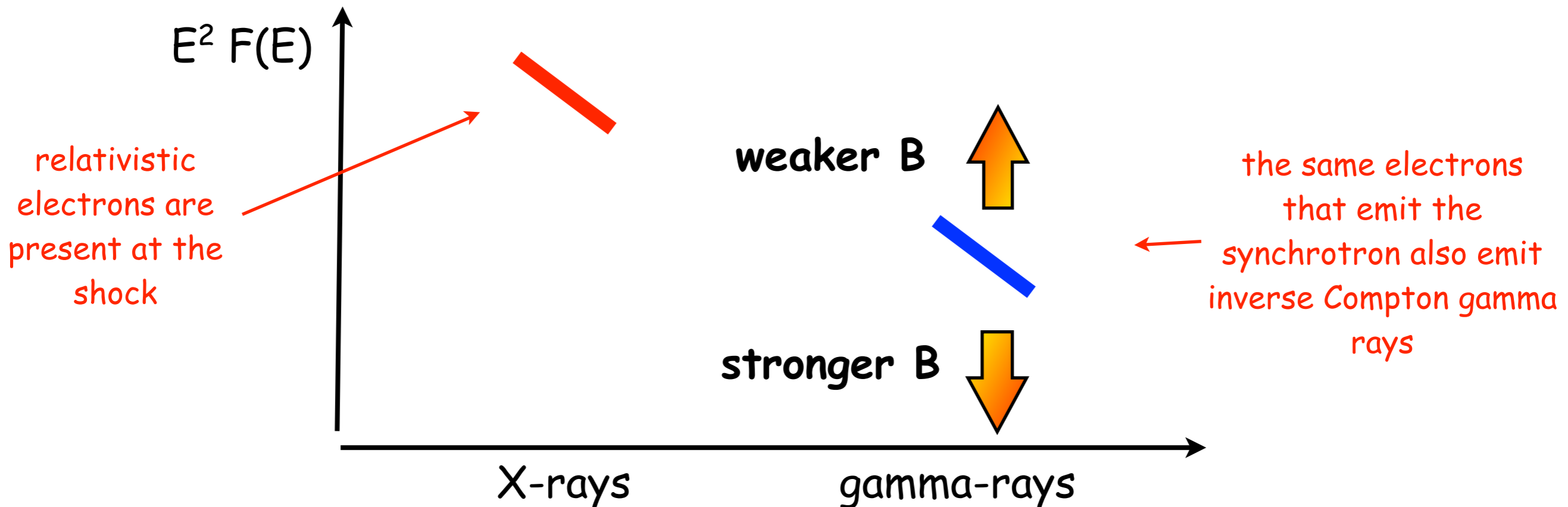
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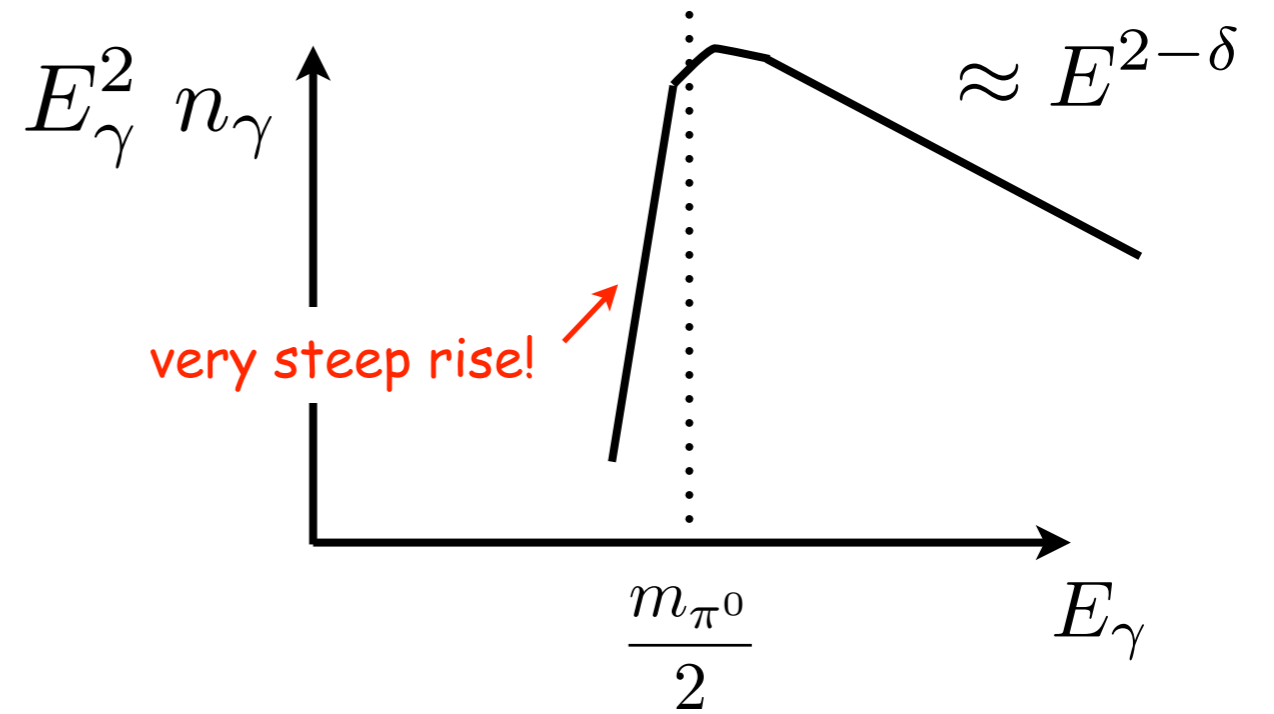
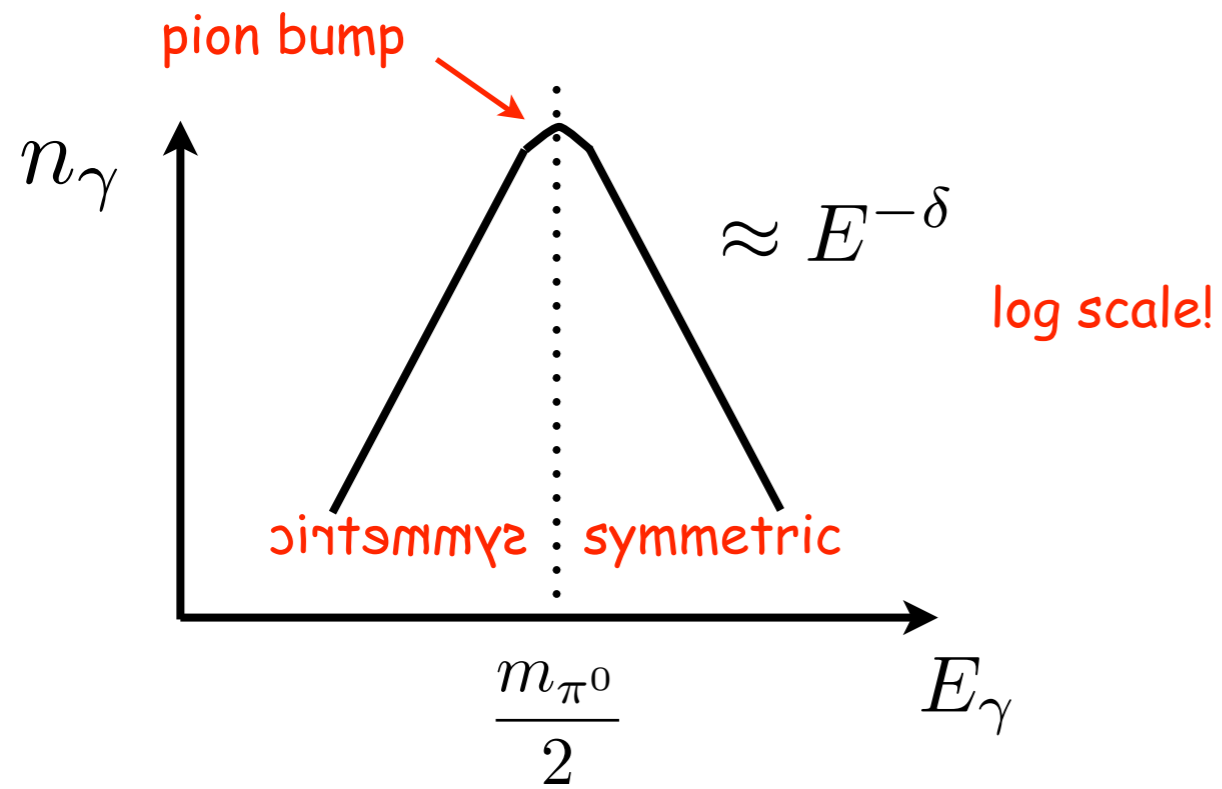
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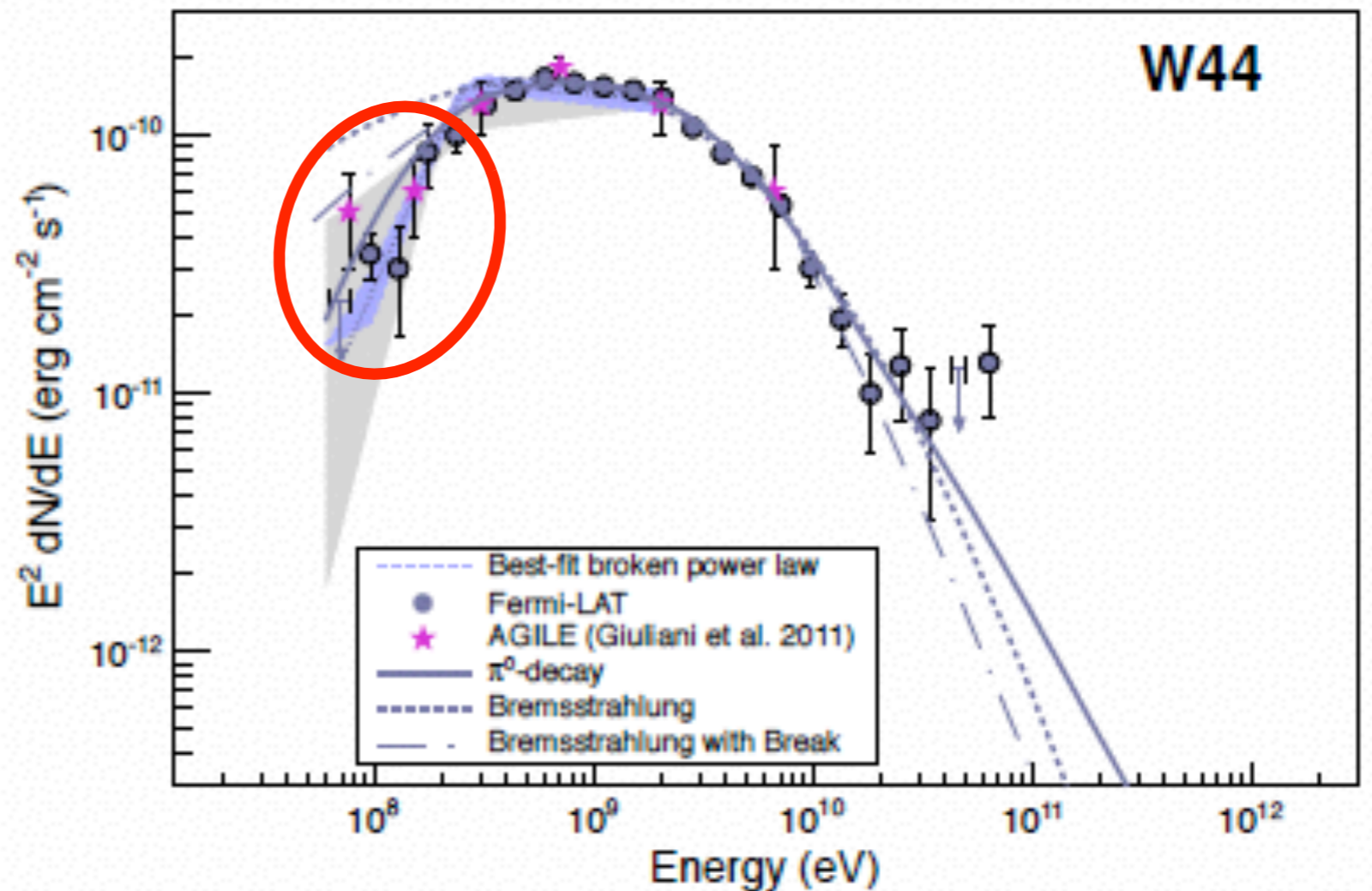
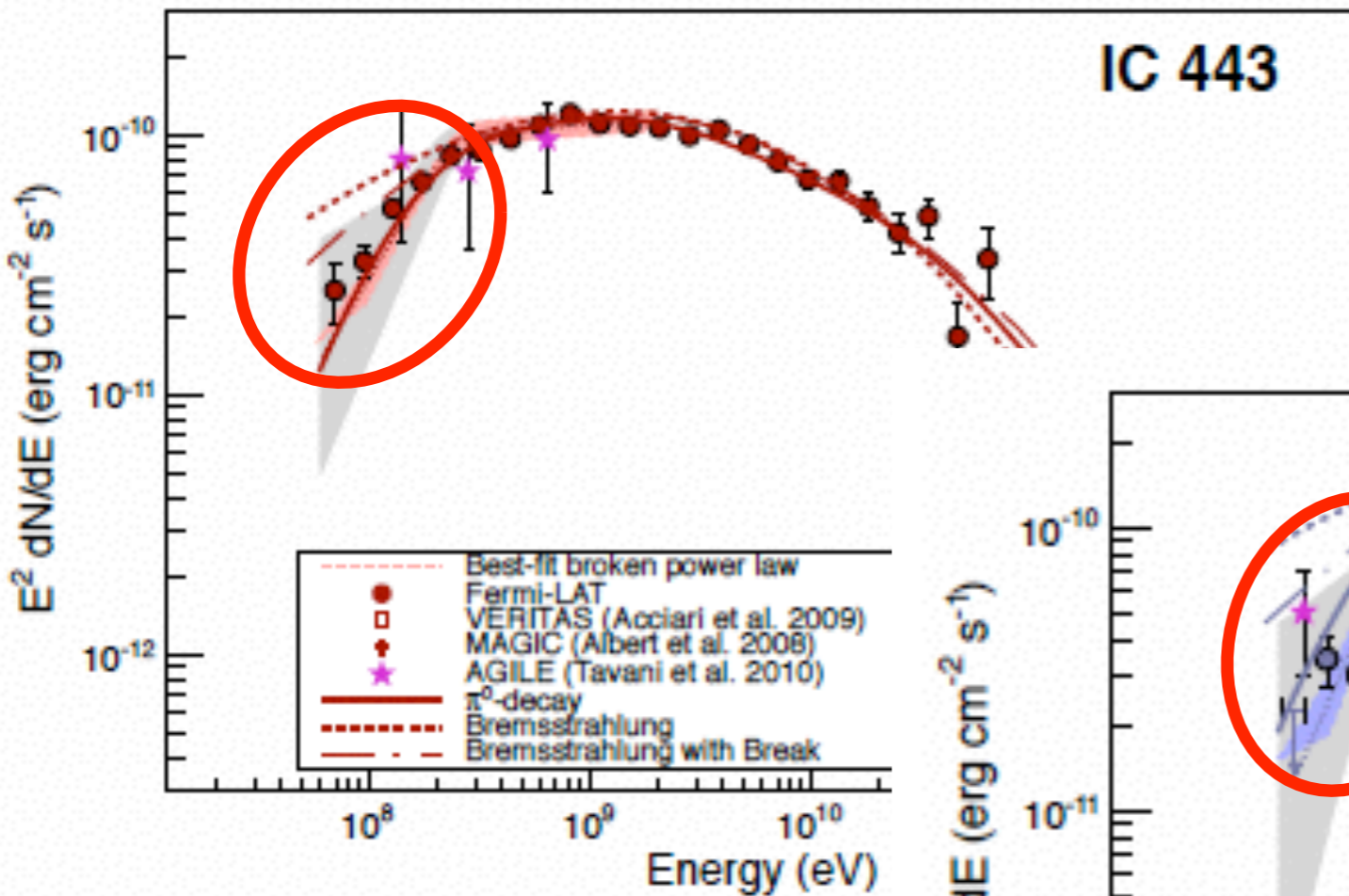
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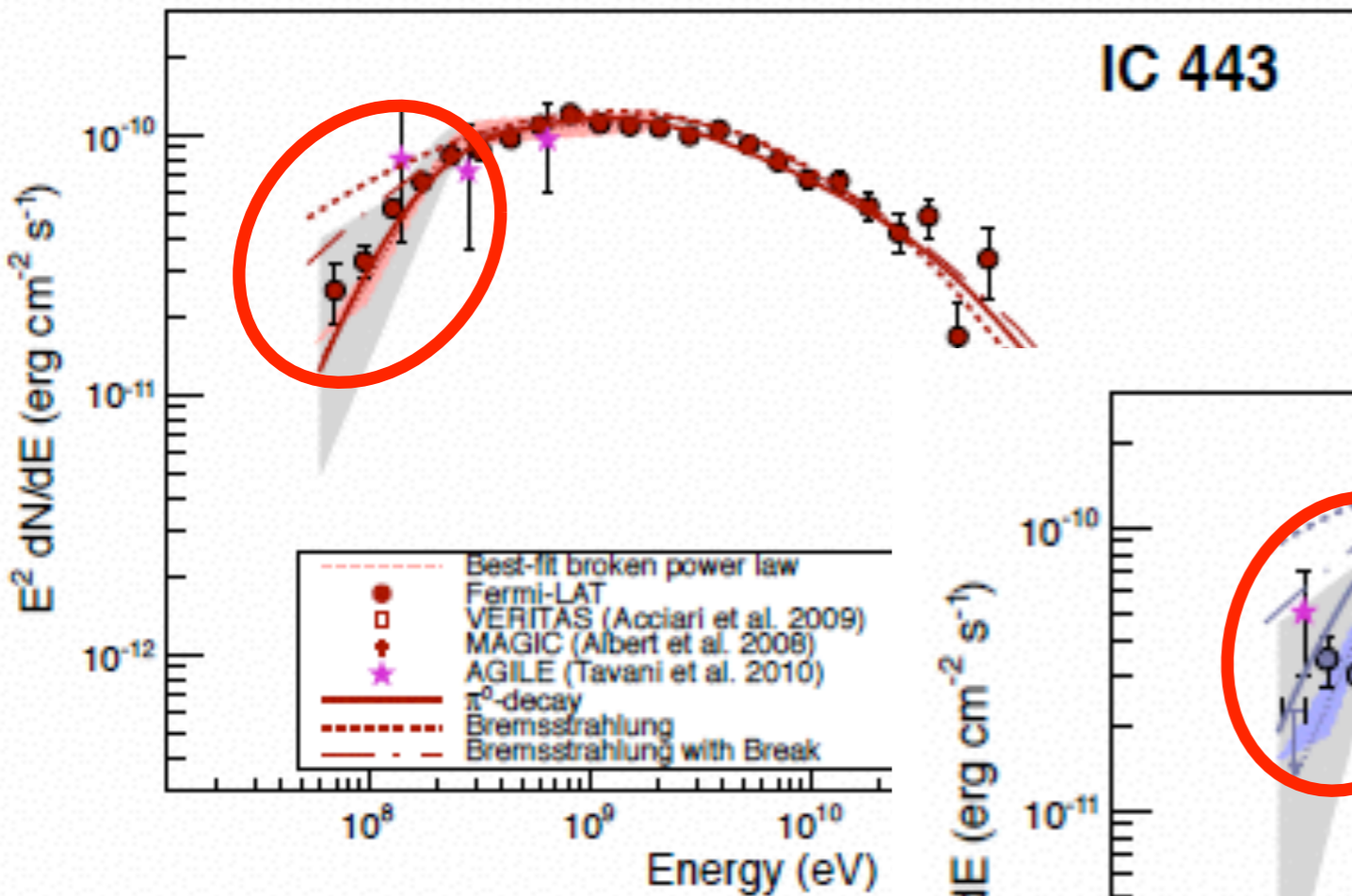


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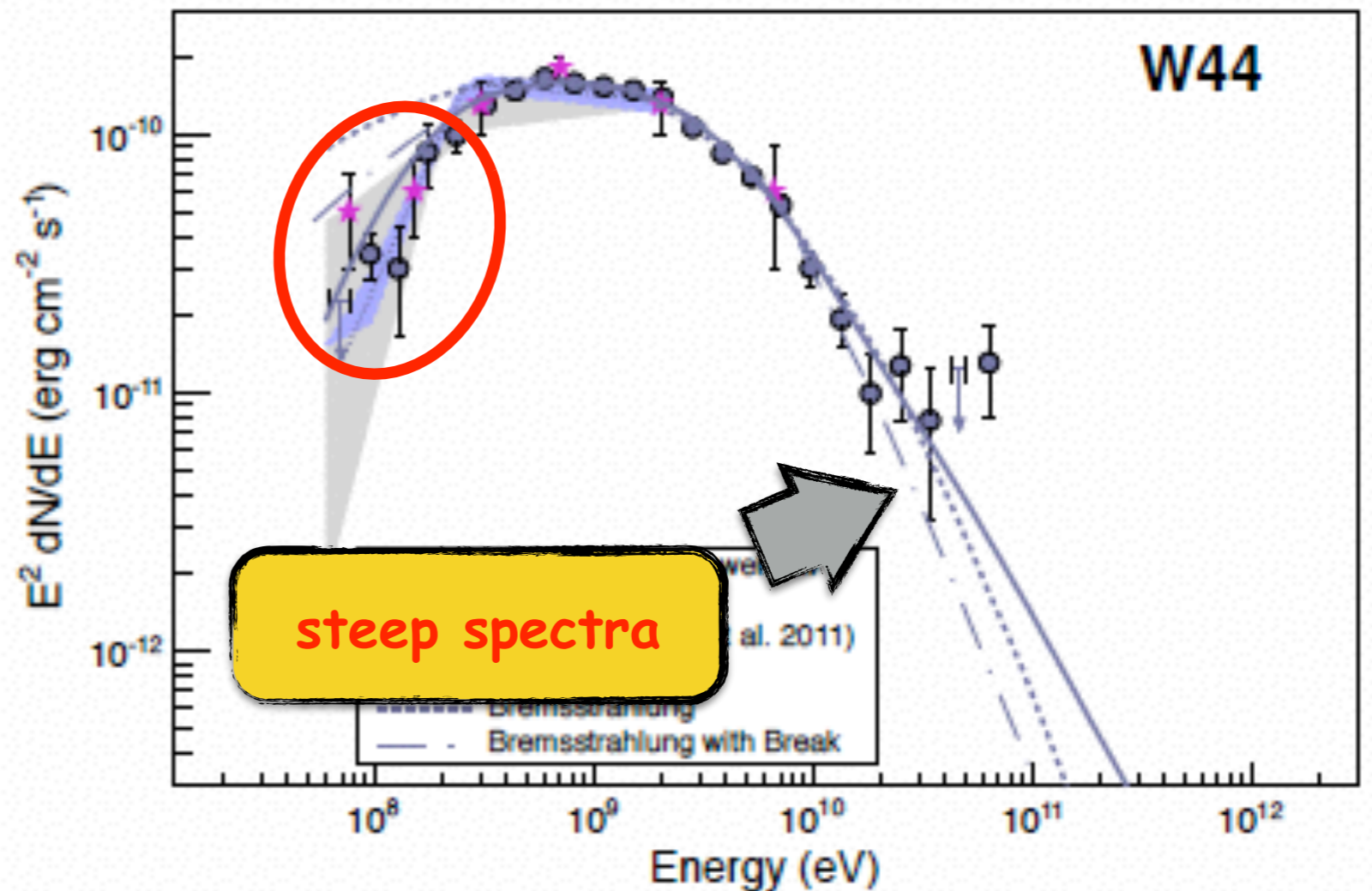
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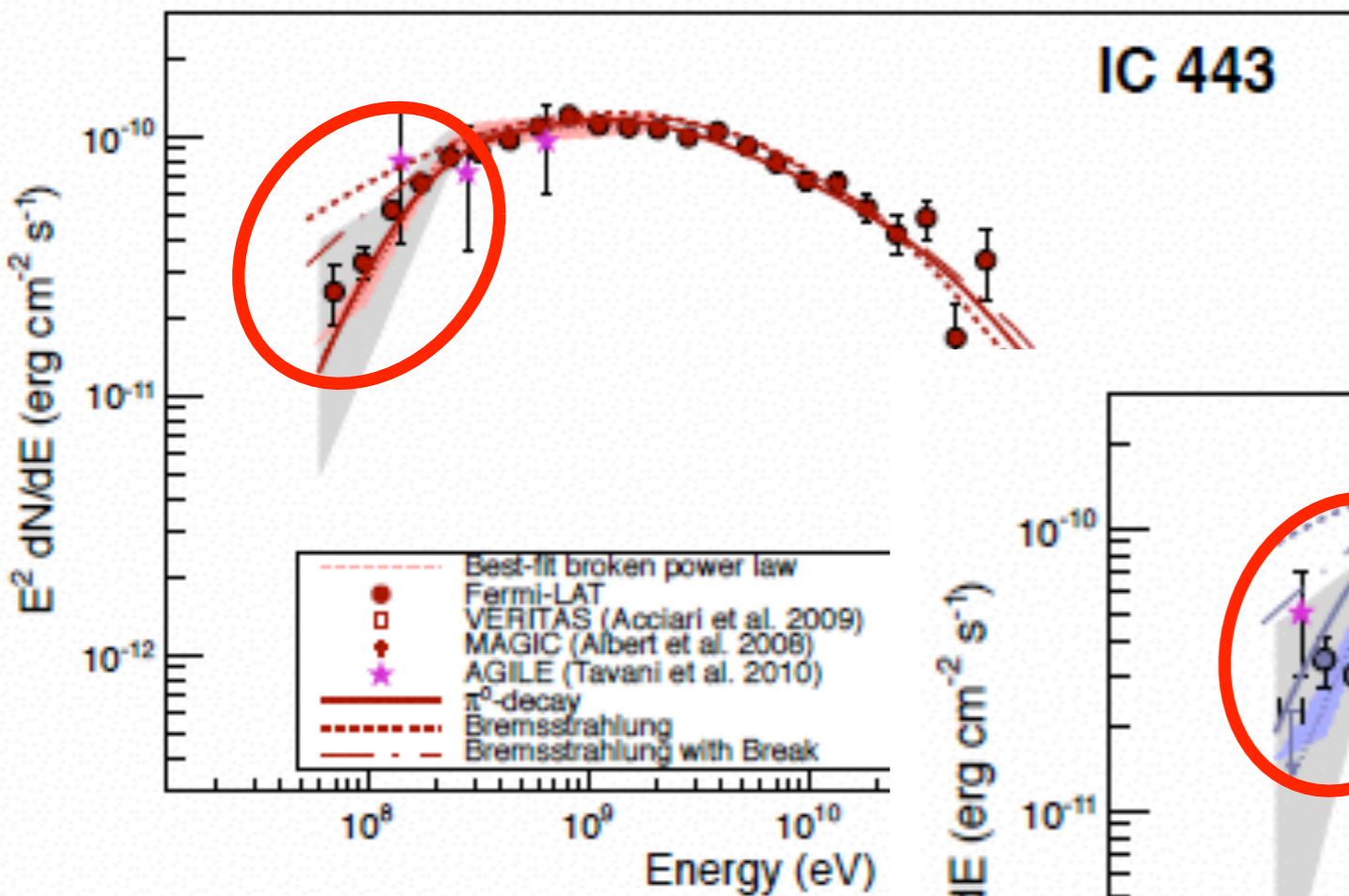
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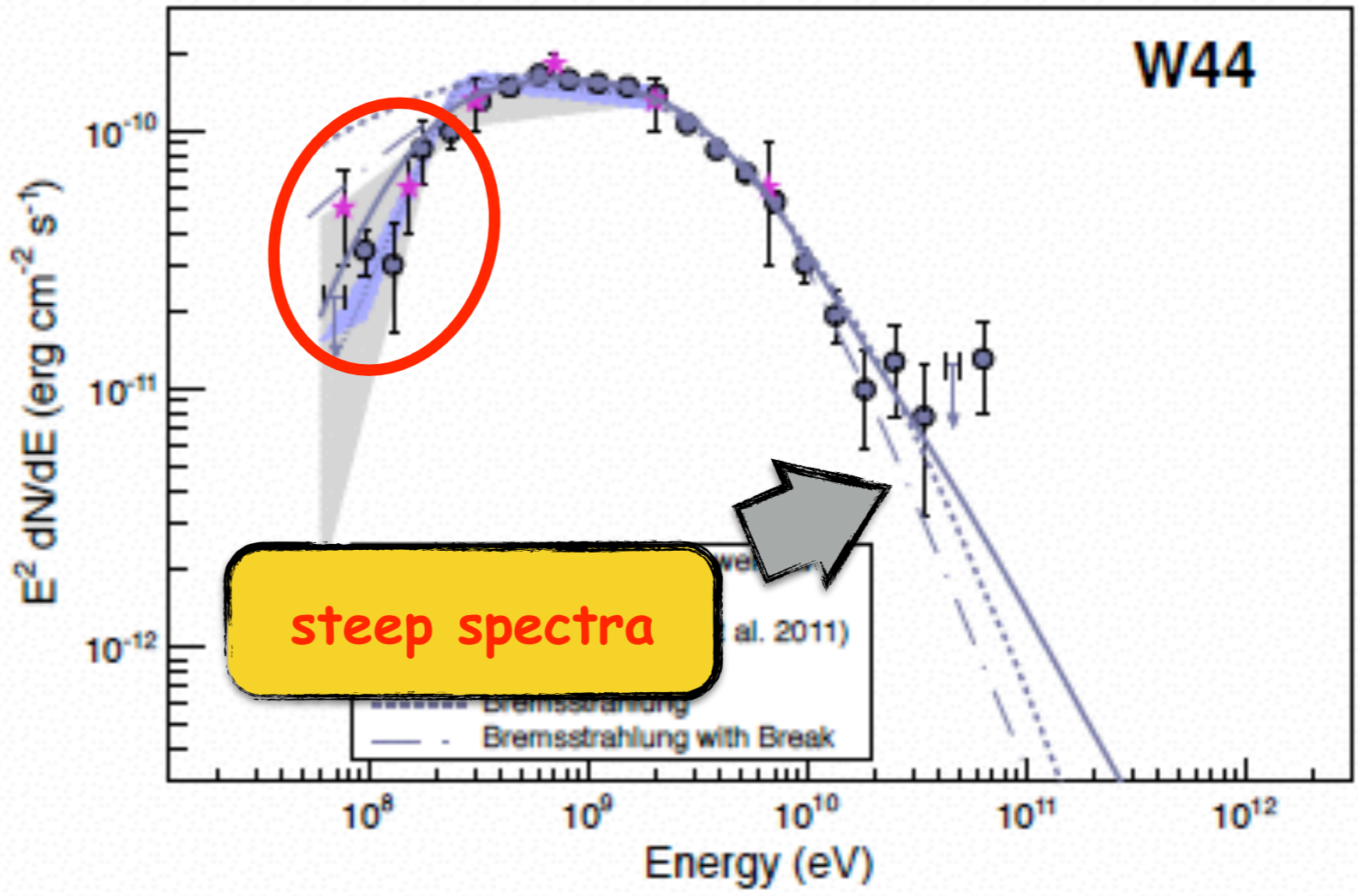
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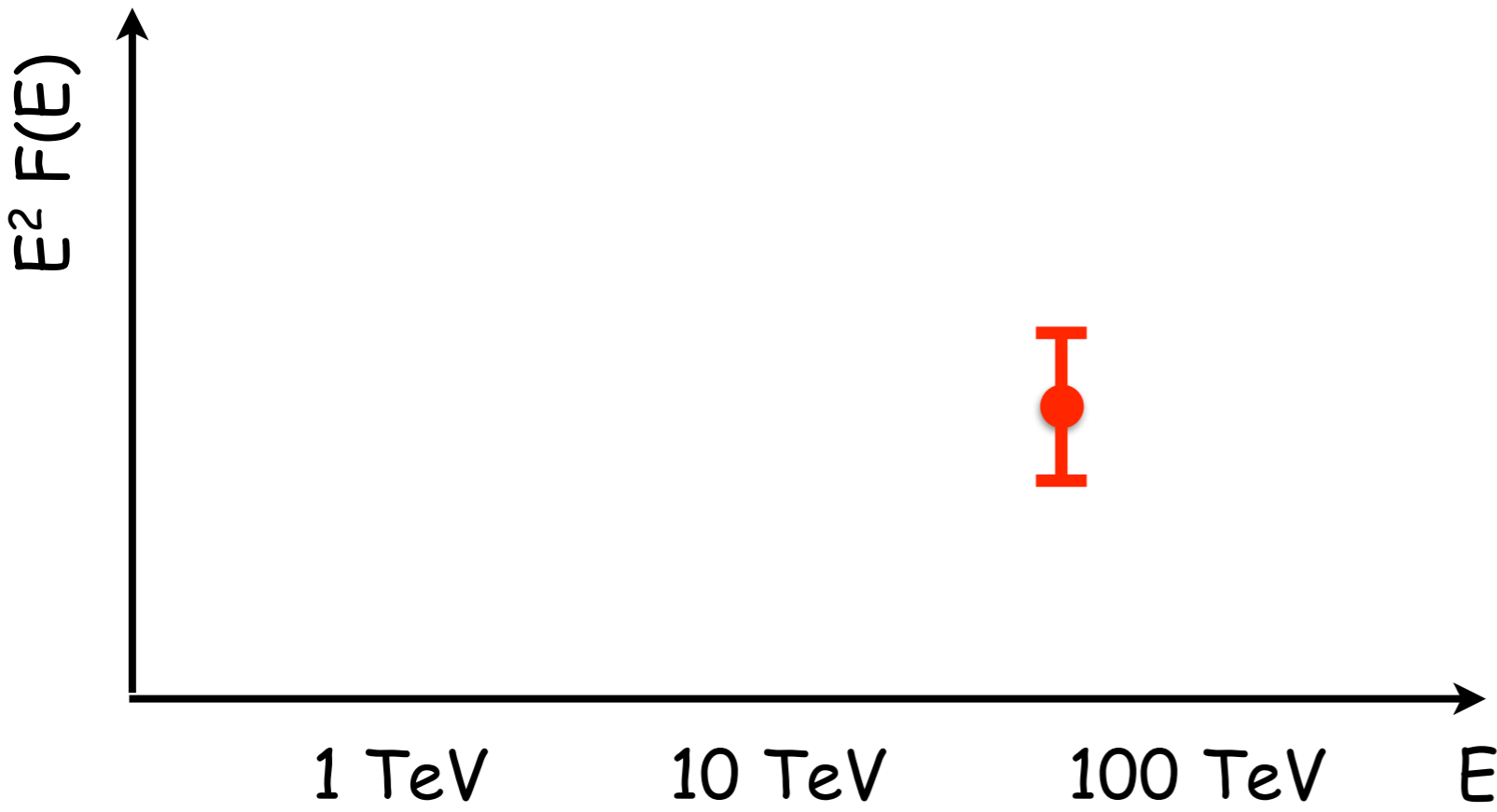
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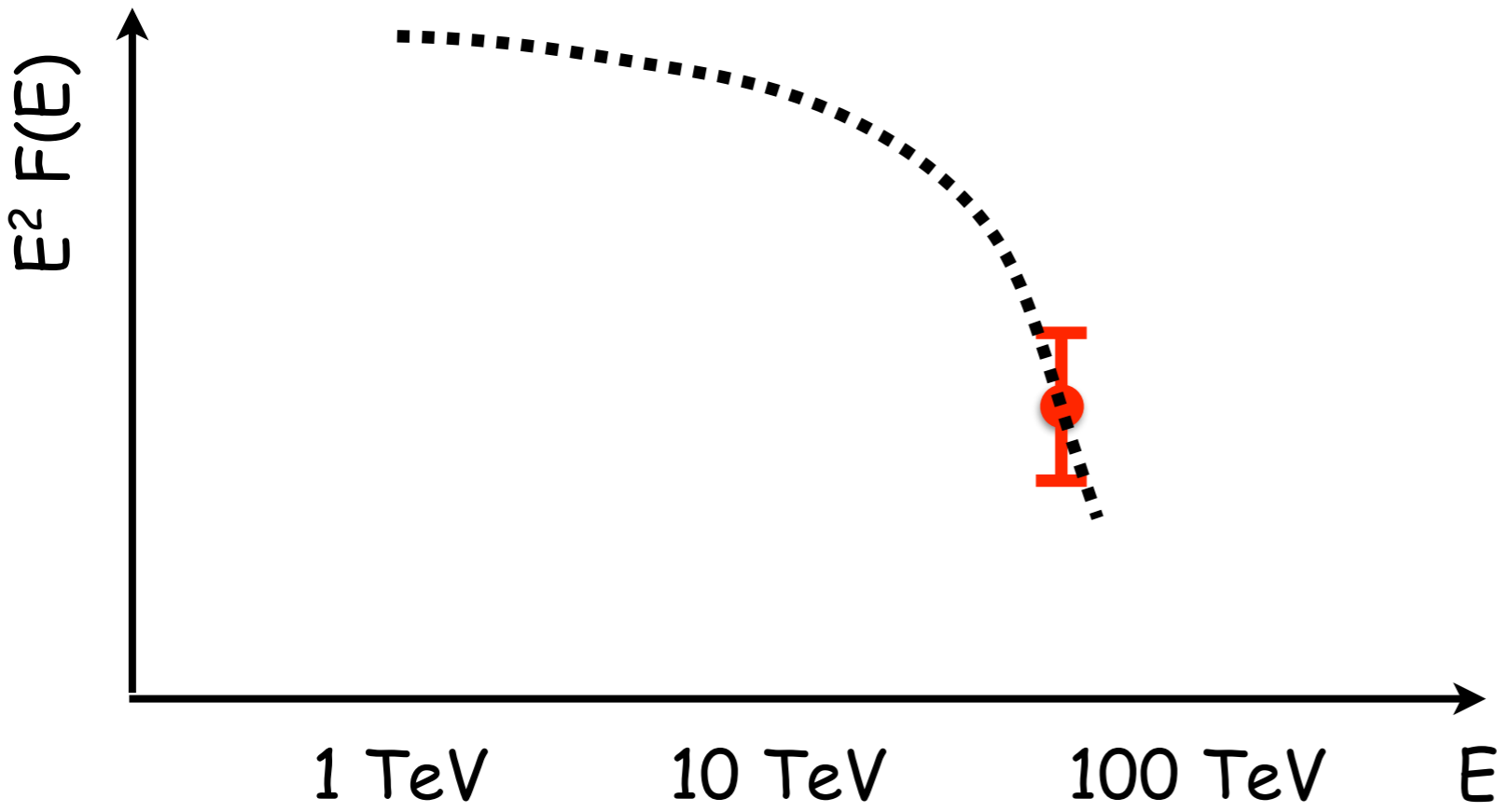
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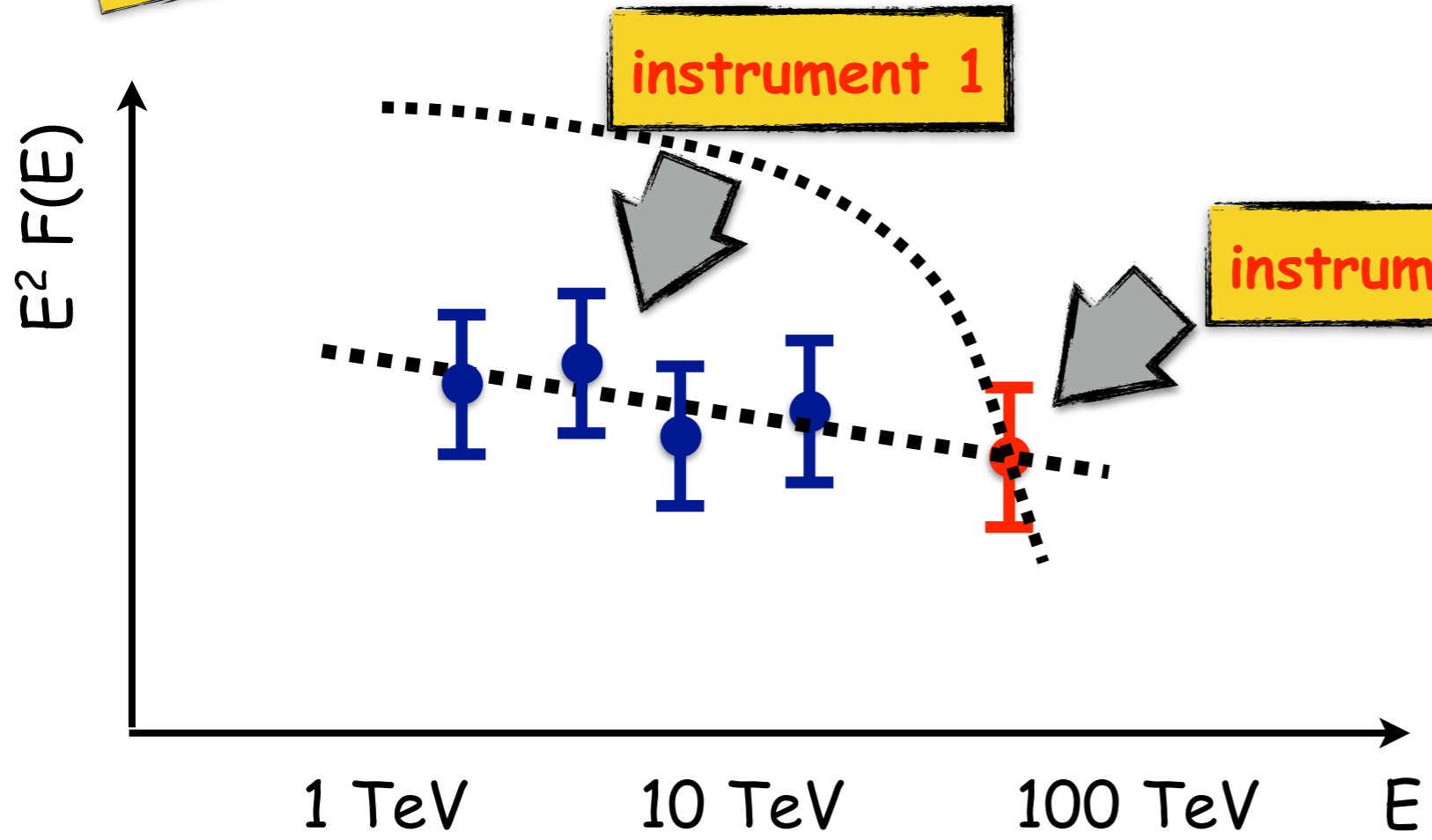
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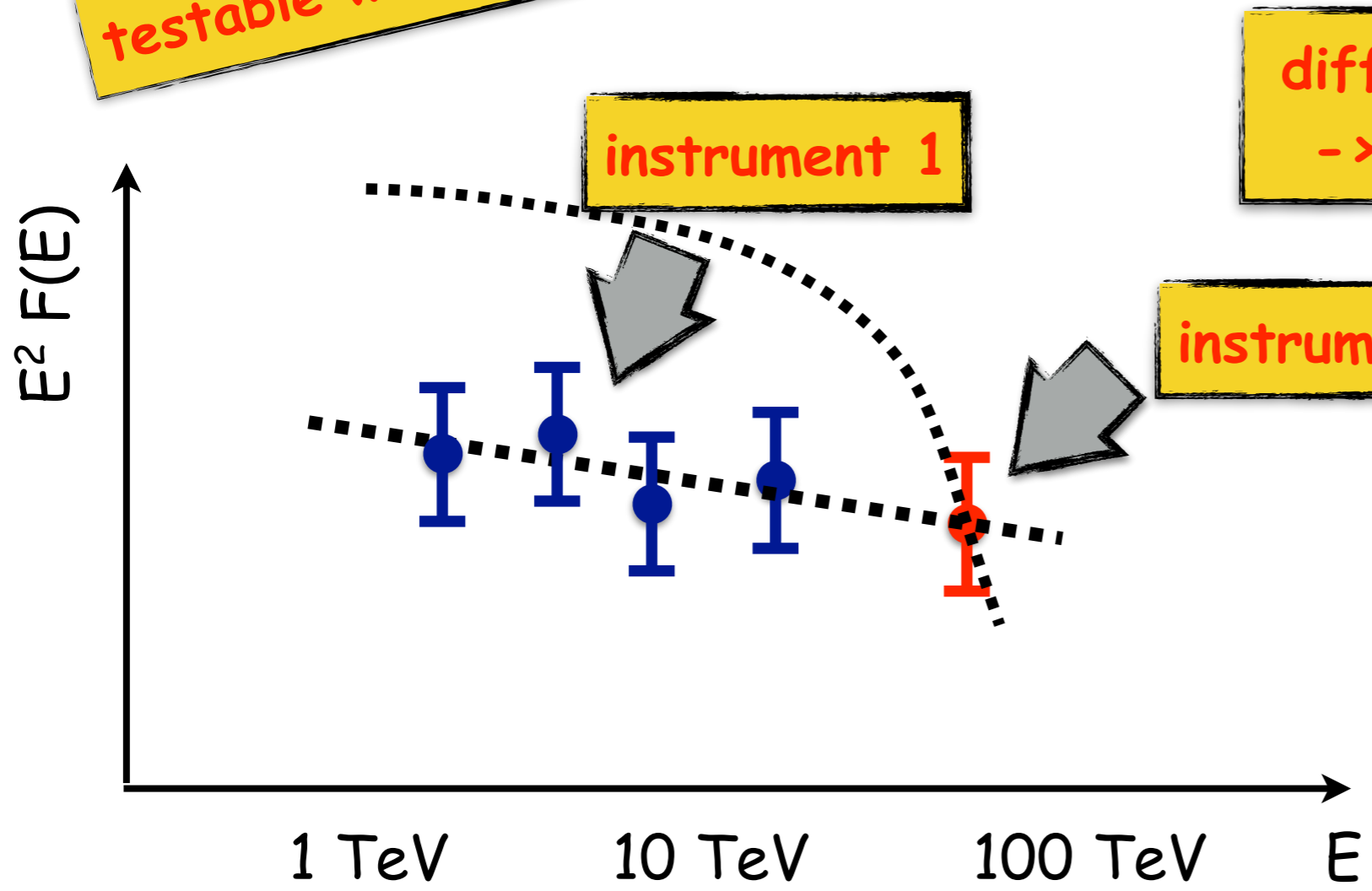
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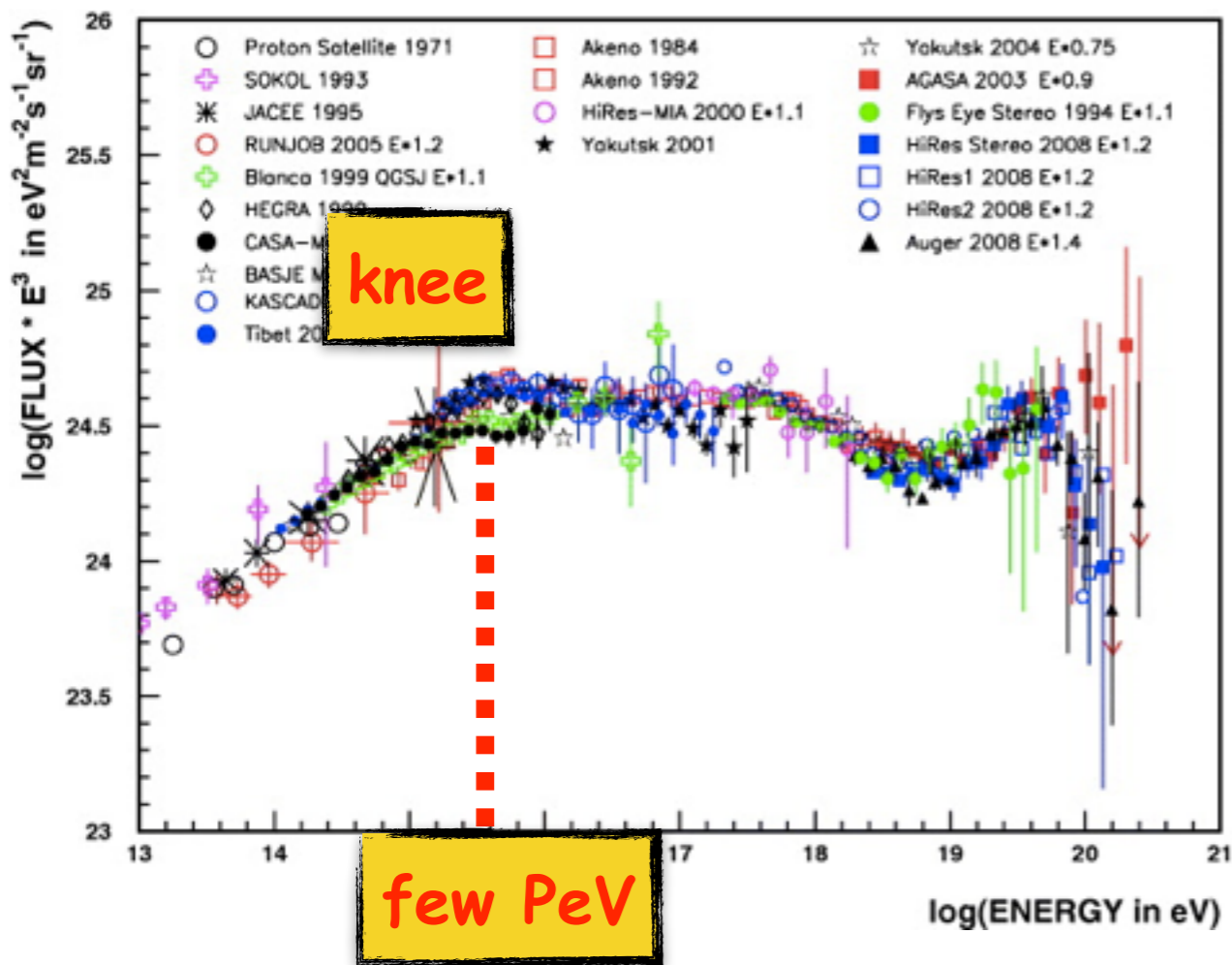
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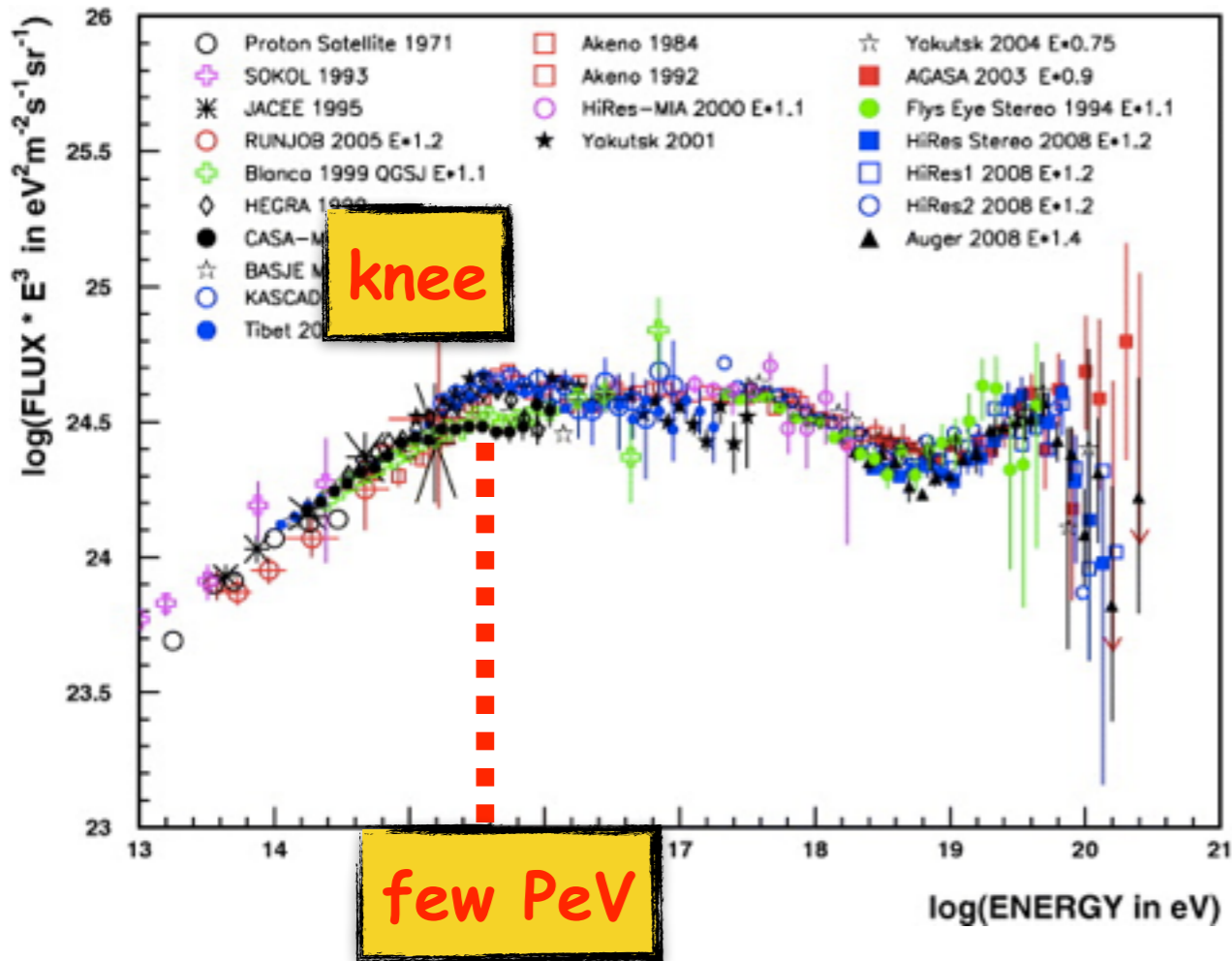
difficult w. current instruments  
 -> H.E.S.S. saw 1 PeVatron!

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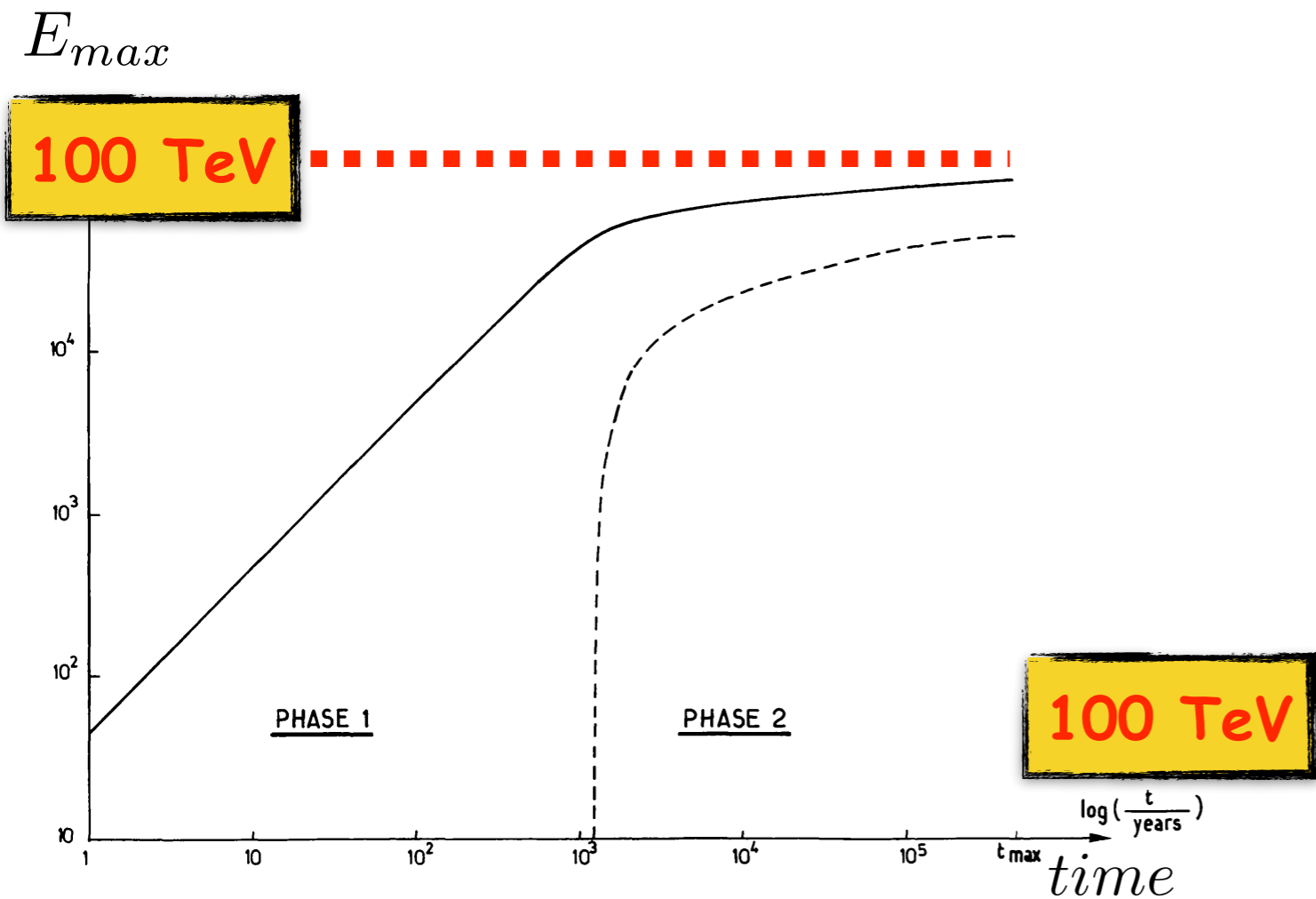
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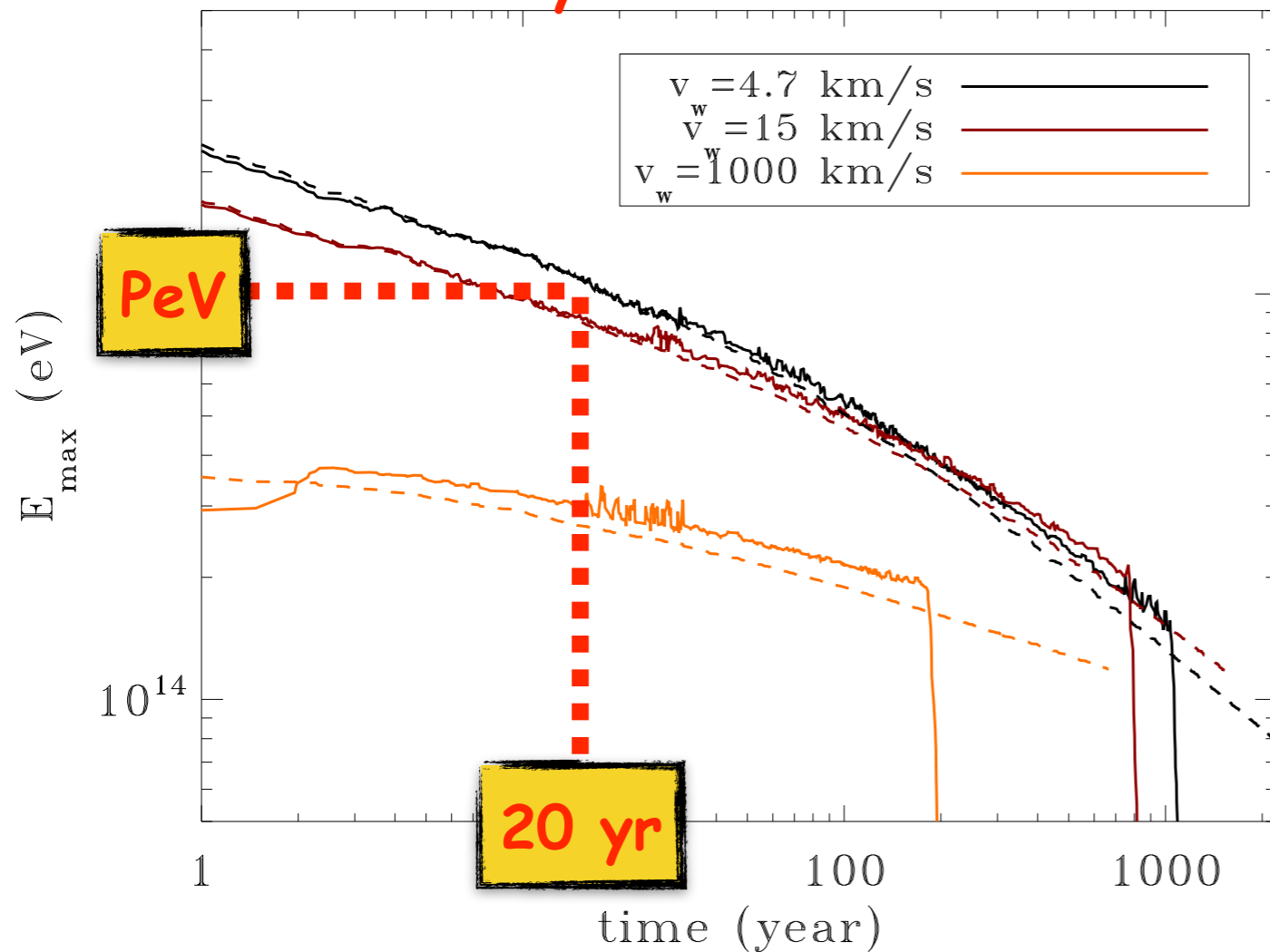
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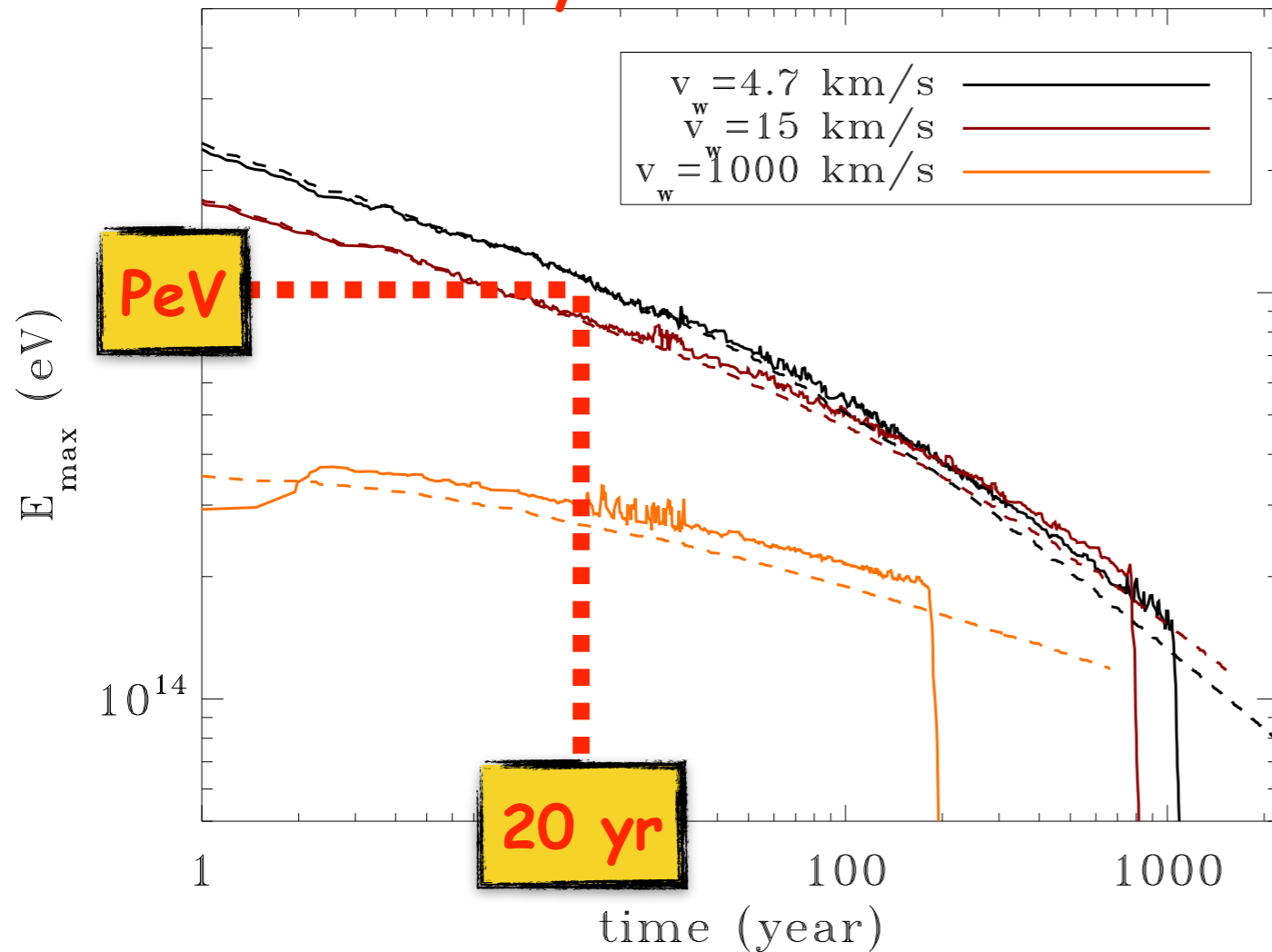
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current driven, non-resonant instability (Bell 2004, 2013) -> **PeV particle acceleration possible** in the very early (tens of years) stage of a SNR evolution -> **ejecta dominated phase** -> is there **enough power** to feed the PeV CR population?

# Indirect detection of PeVatrons?

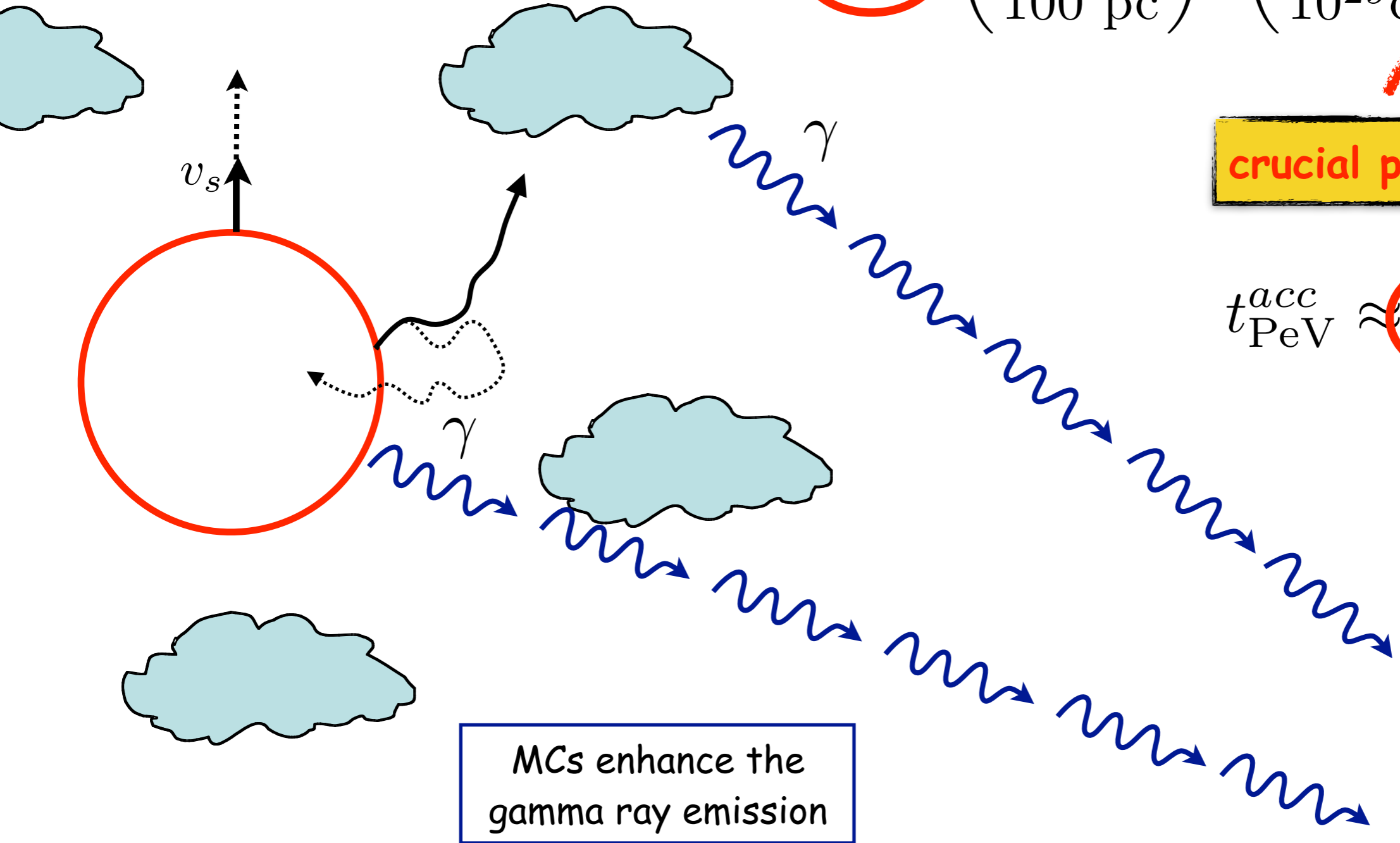
CRs escape the SNR

$$t_{\text{PeV}}^{\text{diff}} \approx 5000 \left( \frac{d}{100 \text{ pc}} \right)^2 \left( \frac{D_{\text{PeV}}}{10^{29} \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}} \right)^{-1} \text{ yr}$$

crucial parameter

$$t_{\text{PeV}}^{\text{acc}} \approx 30 \text{ yr}$$

MCs enhance the gamma ray emission



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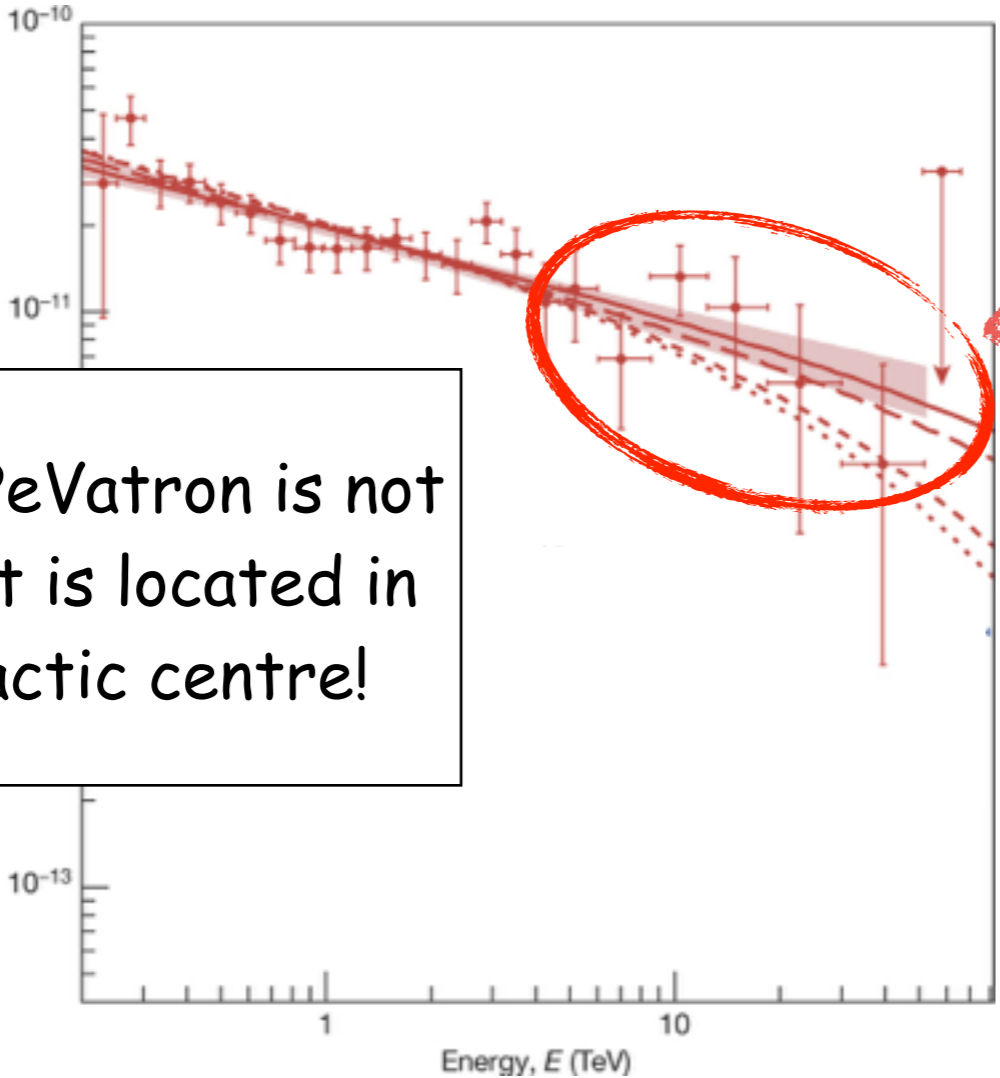
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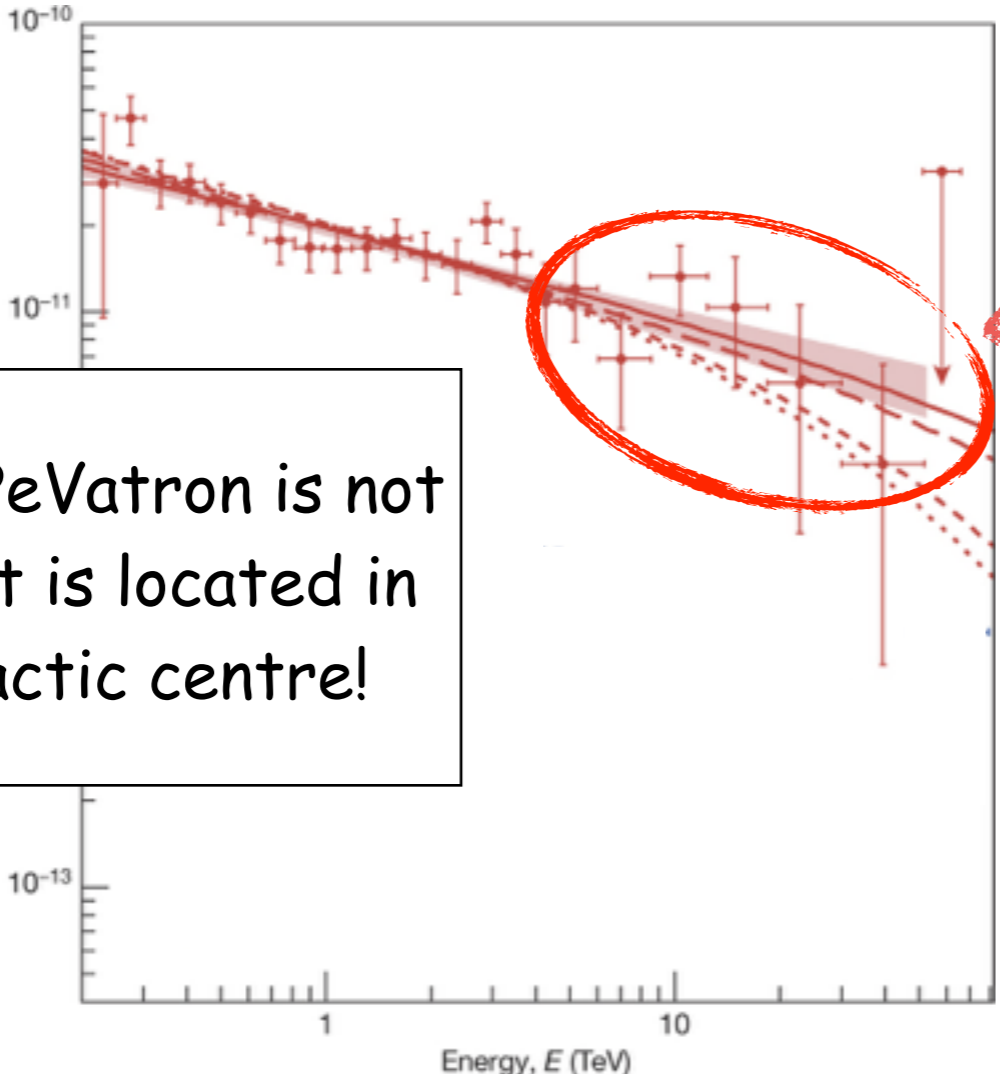
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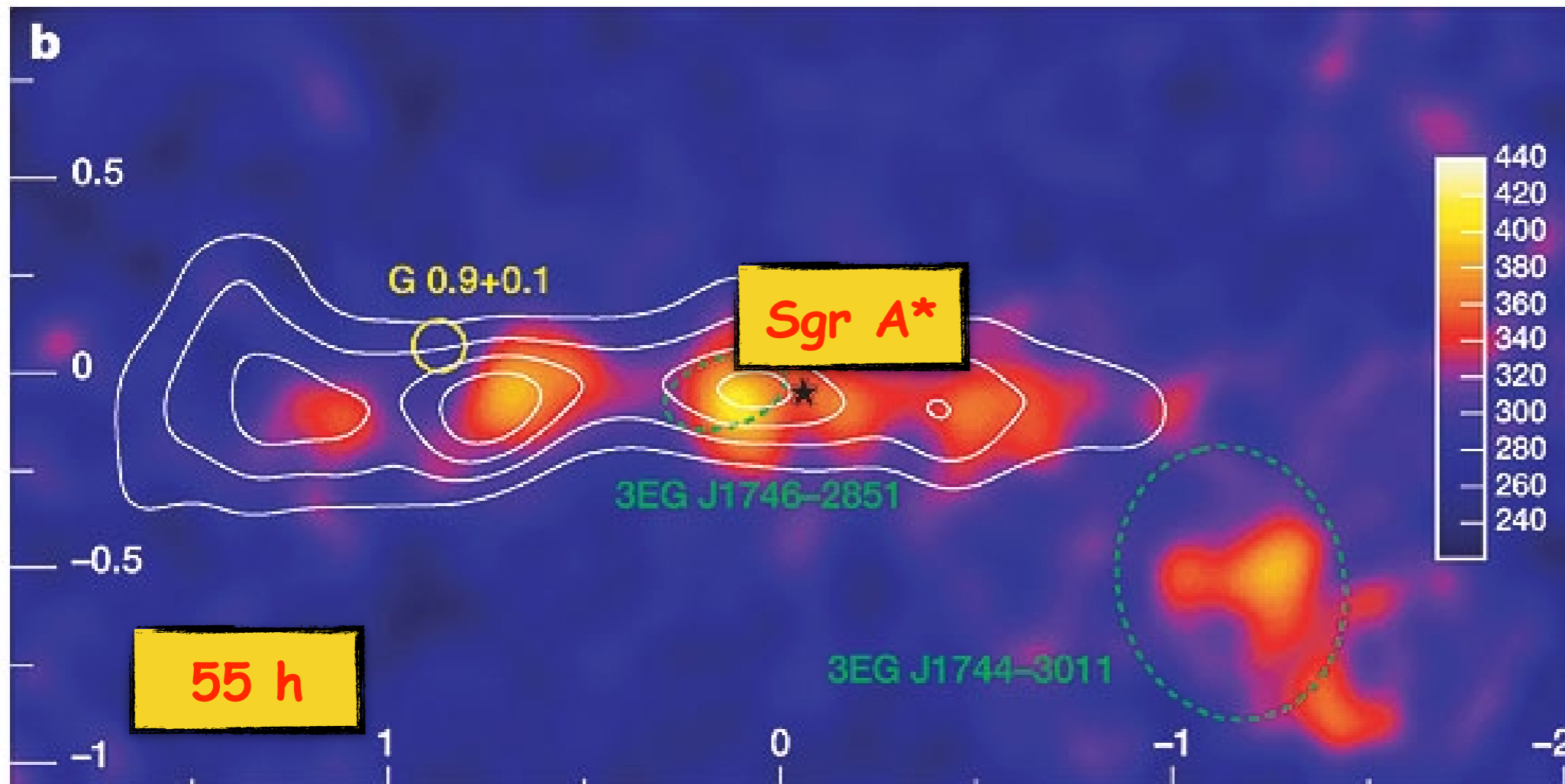
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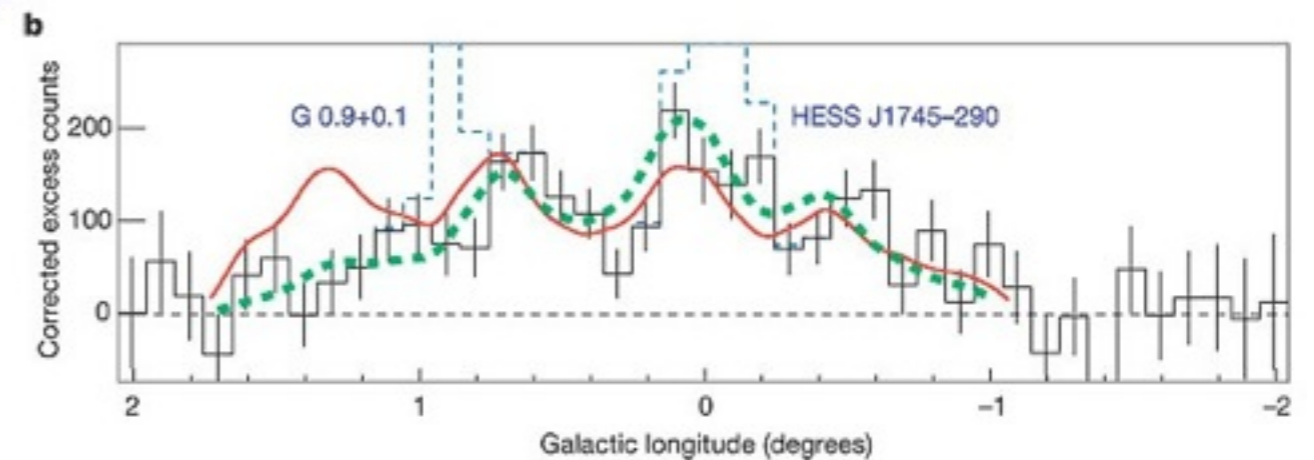
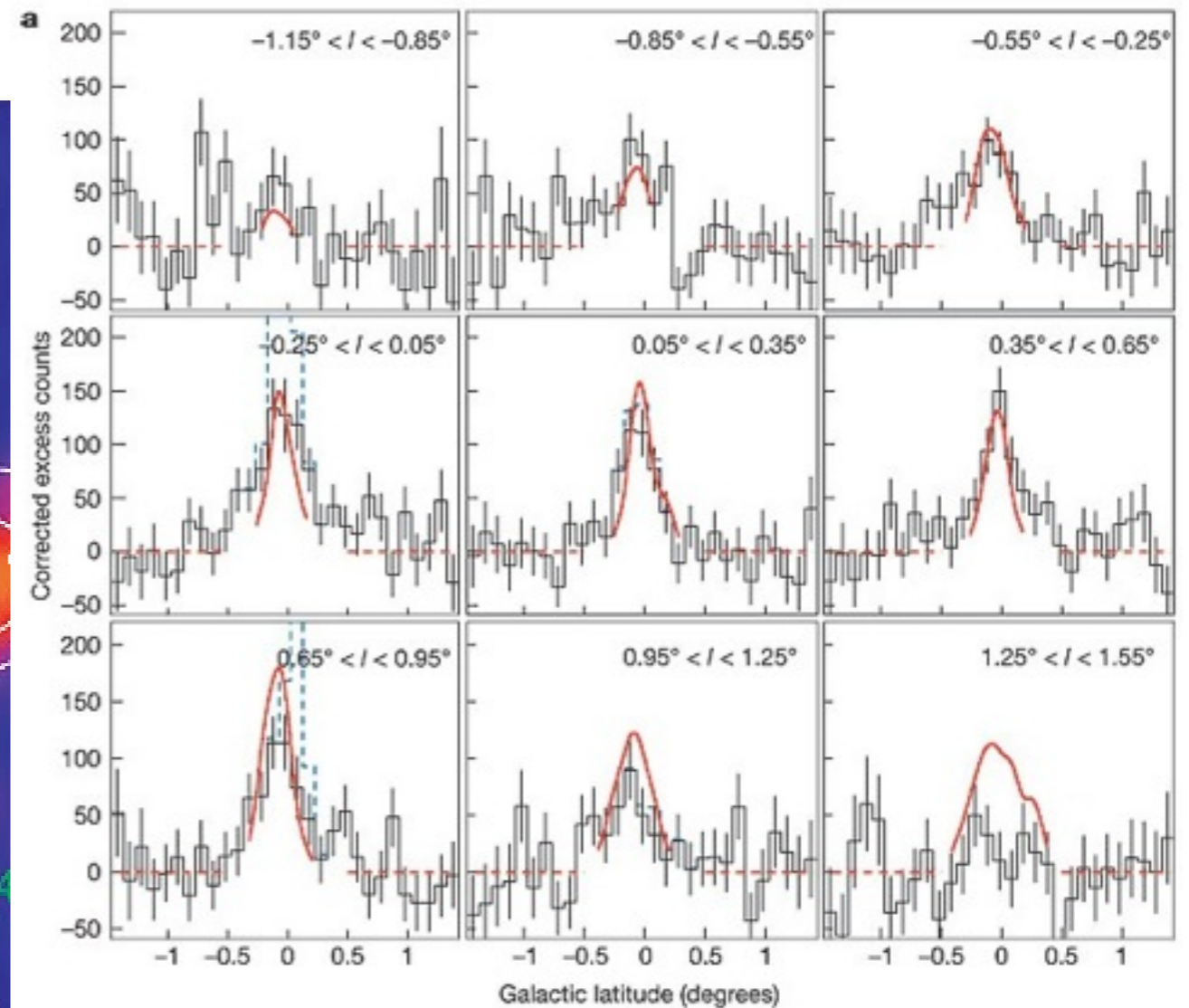
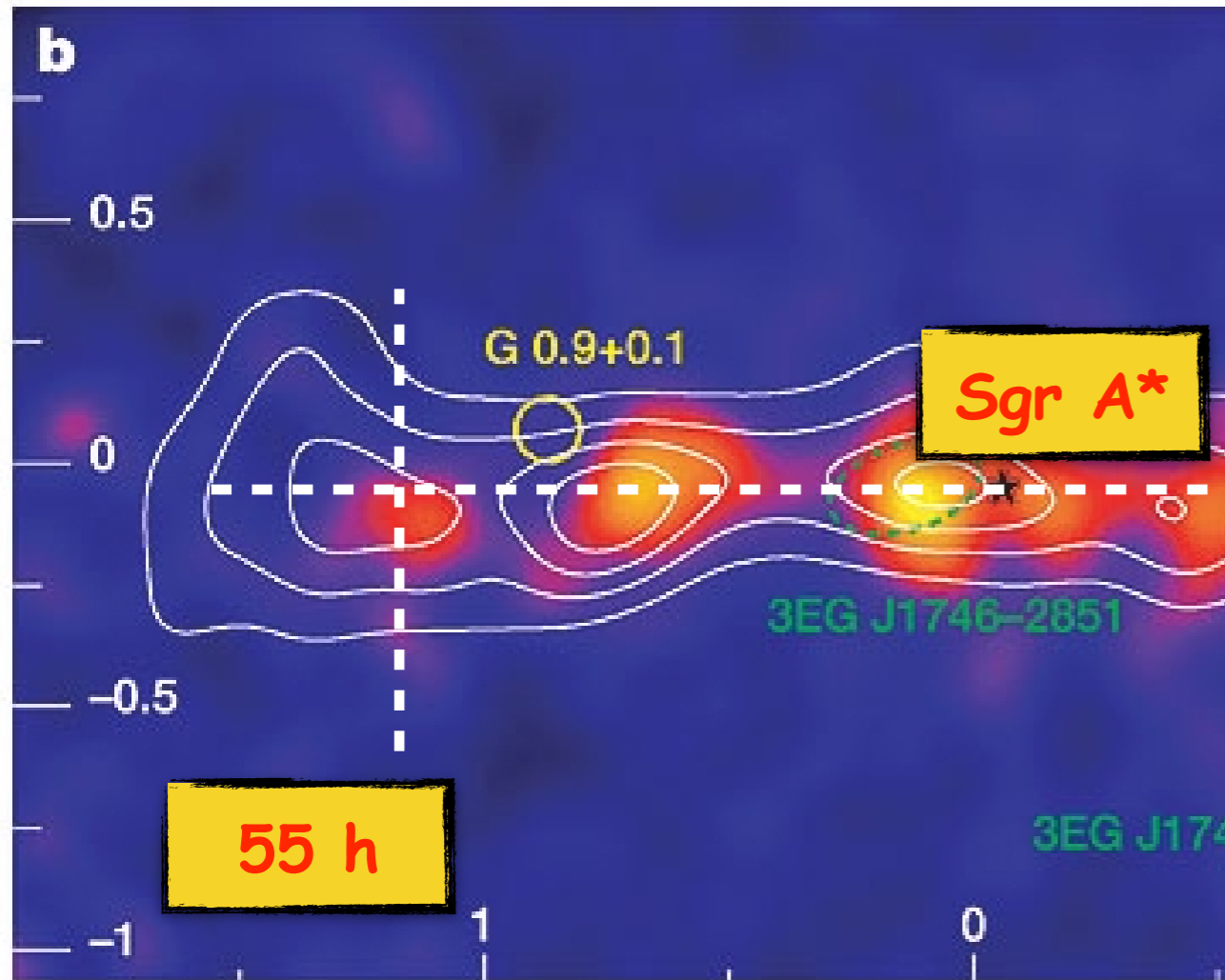


color scale ->  $\gamma$ -rays  
contours -> gas (CS)

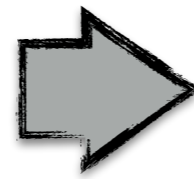


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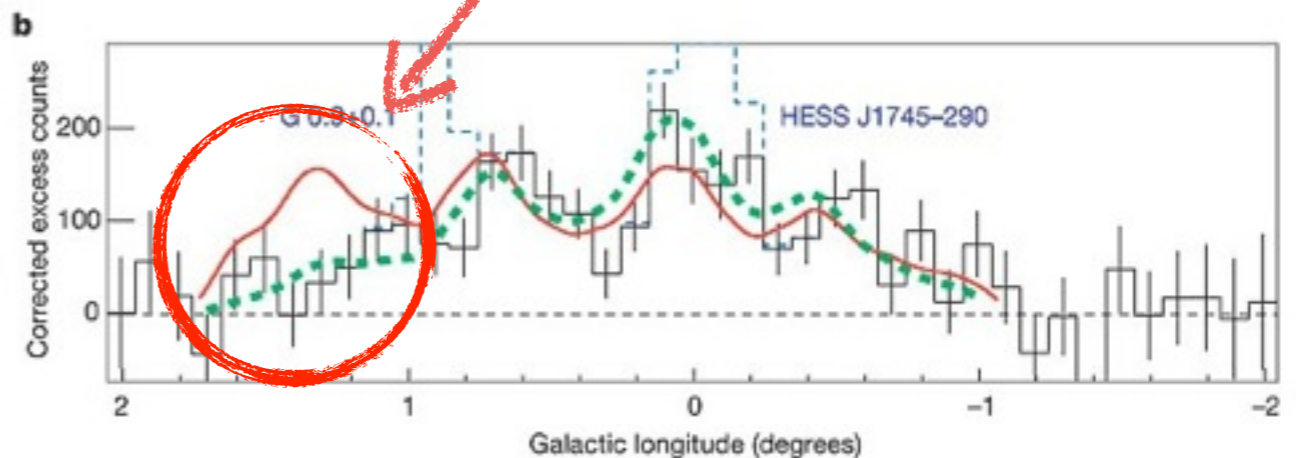
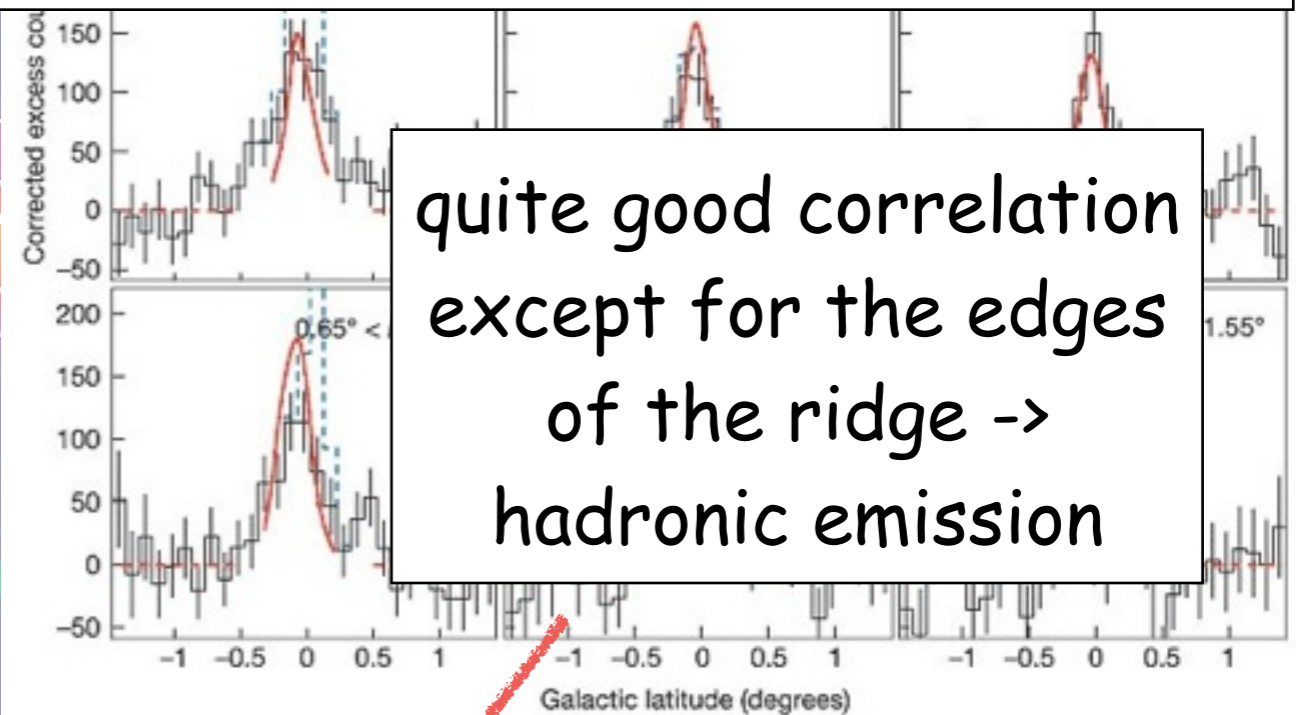
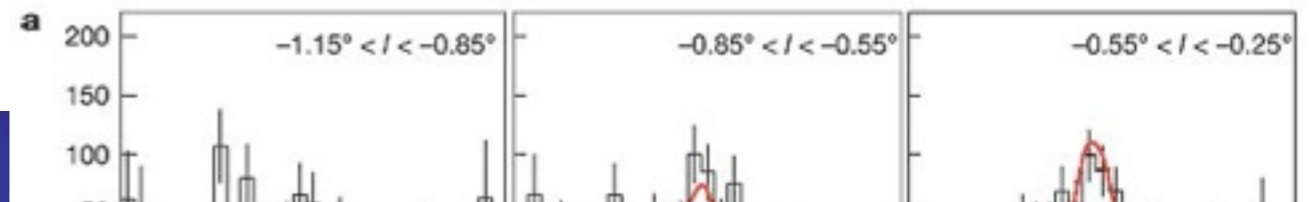
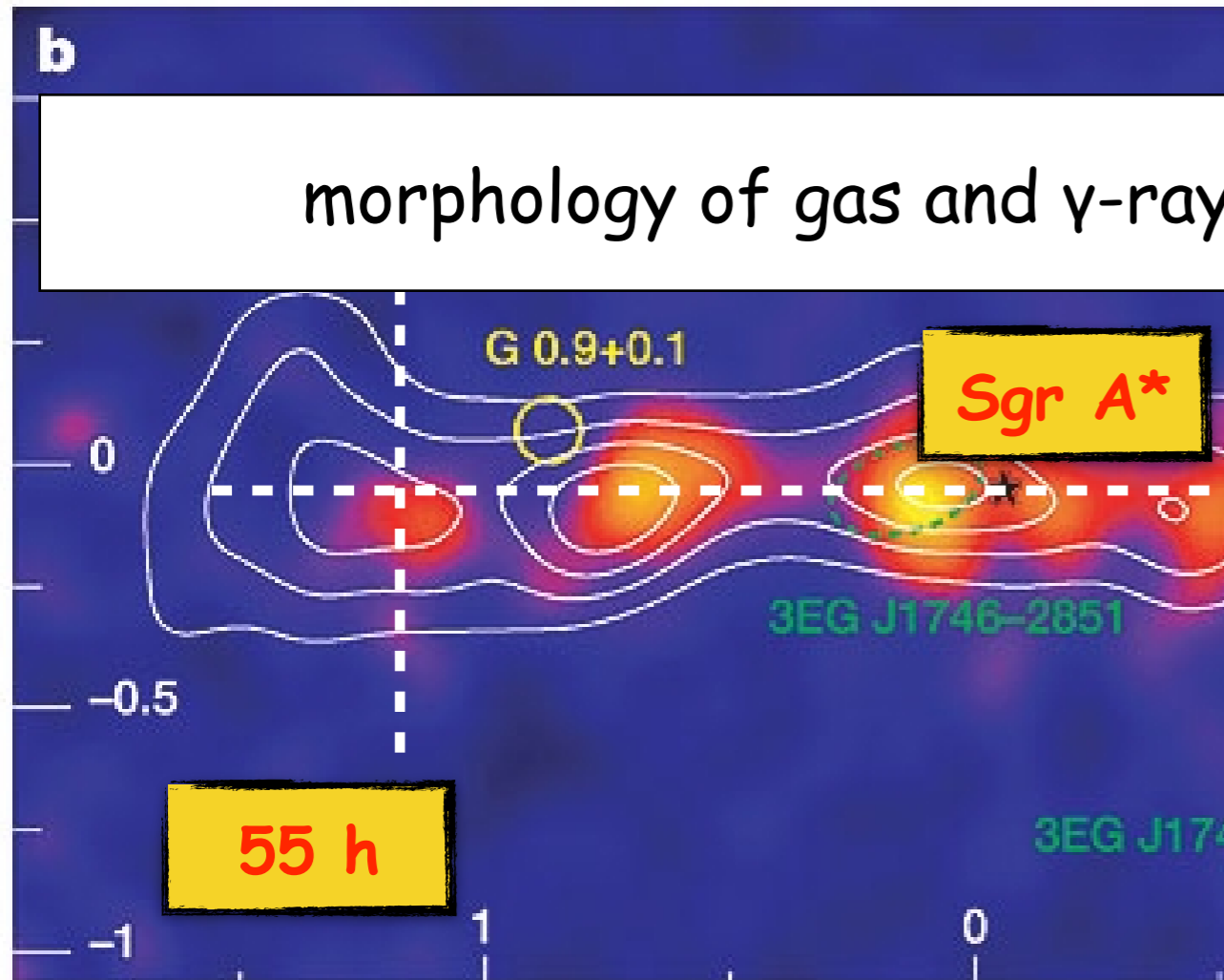


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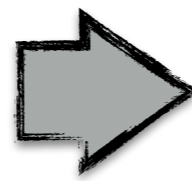


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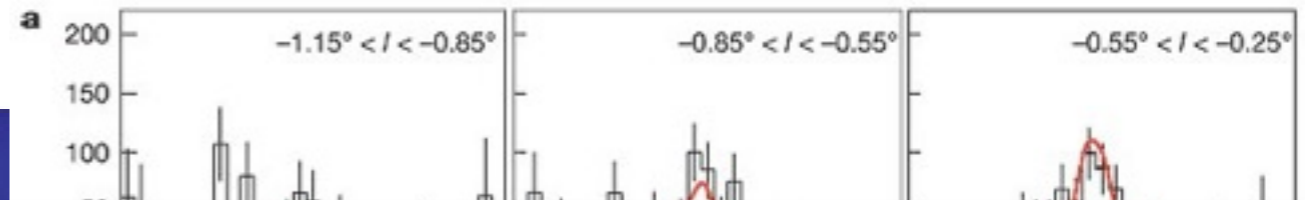


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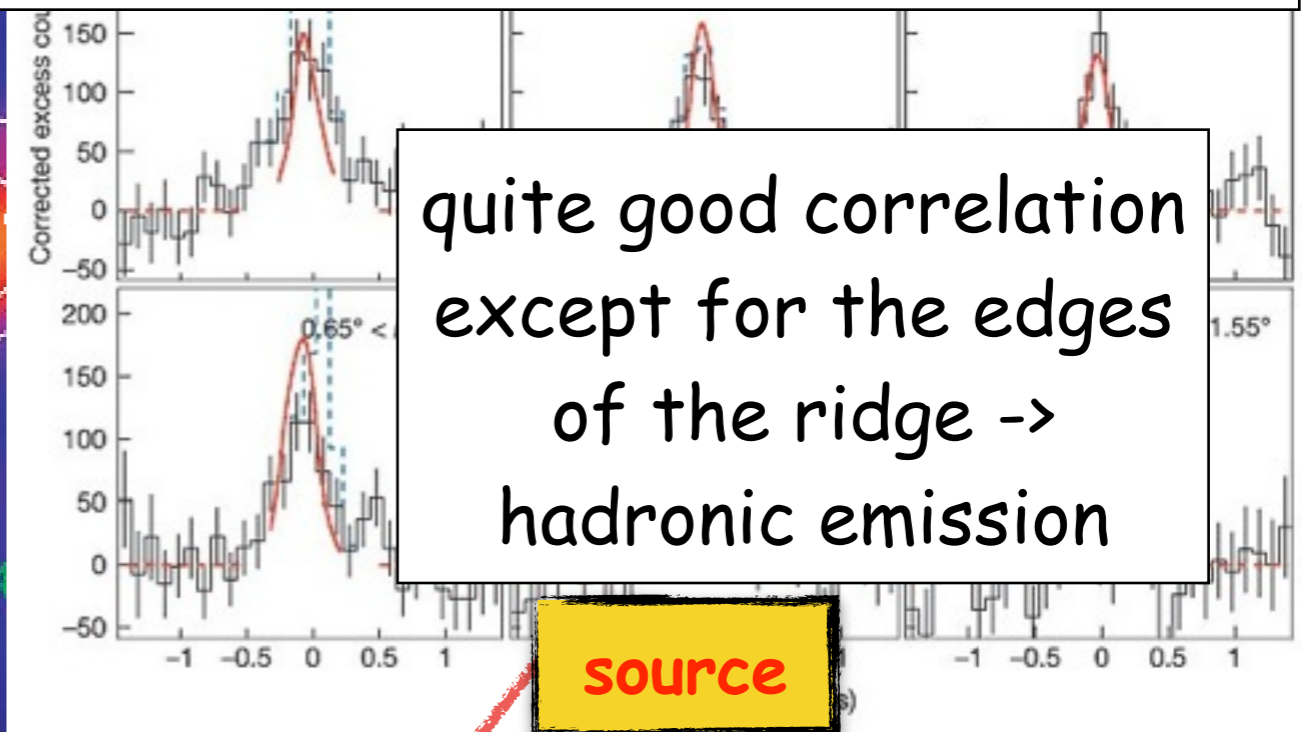
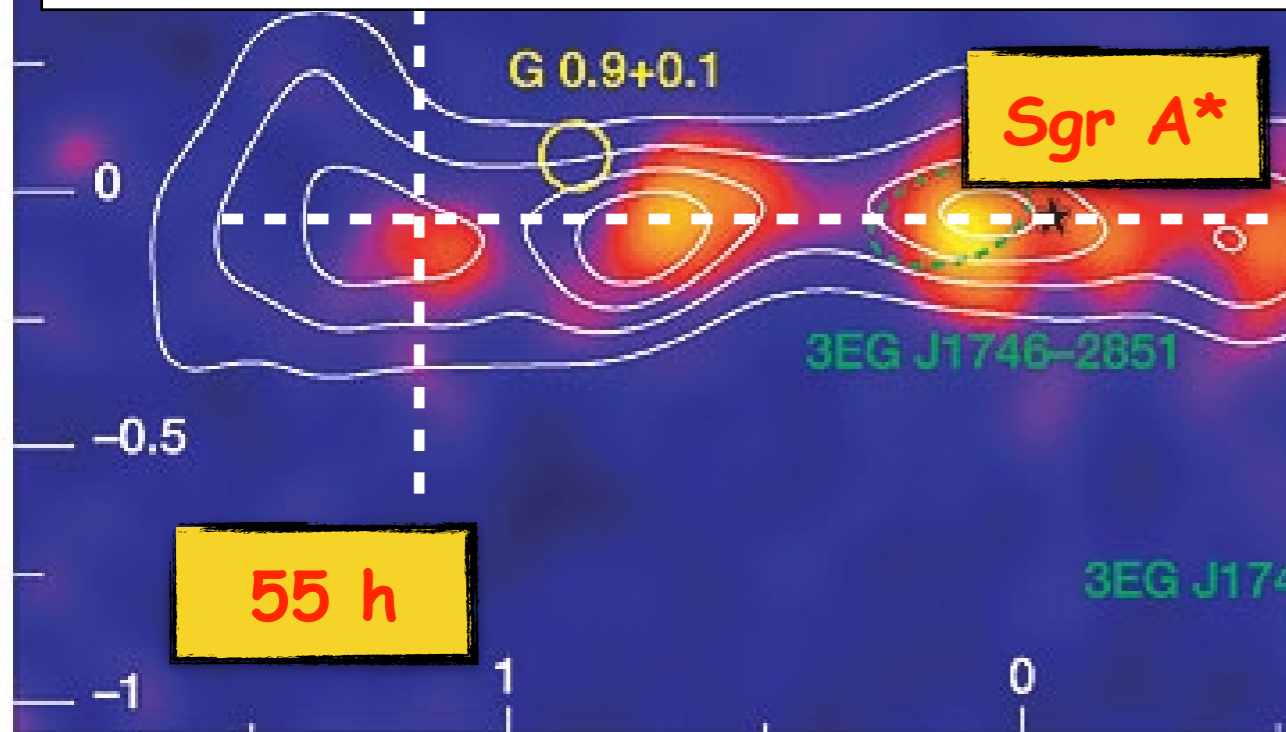
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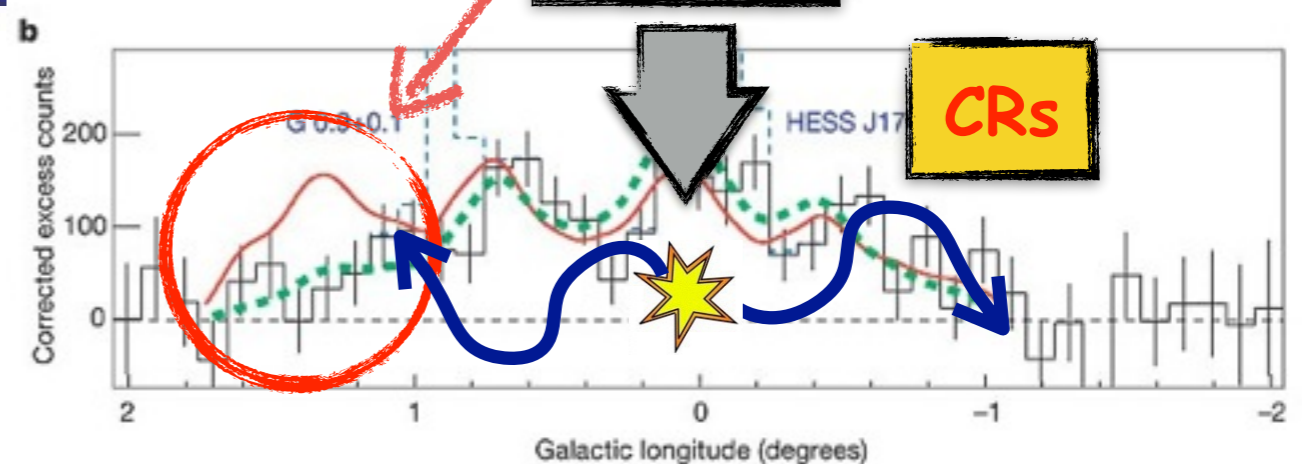
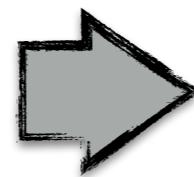


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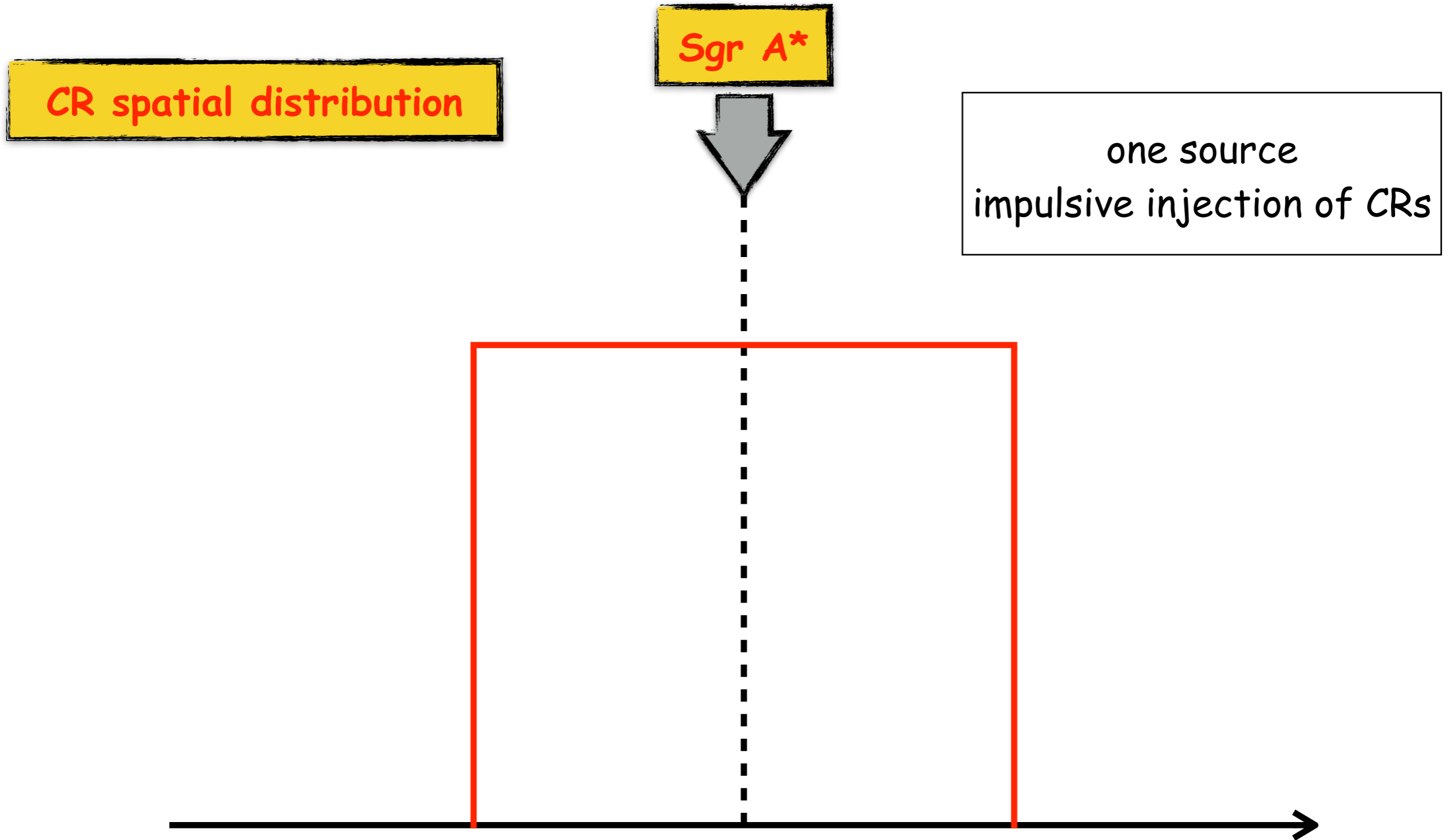
morphology of gas and  $\gamma$ -rays  $\rightarrow$  spatial distribution of CR



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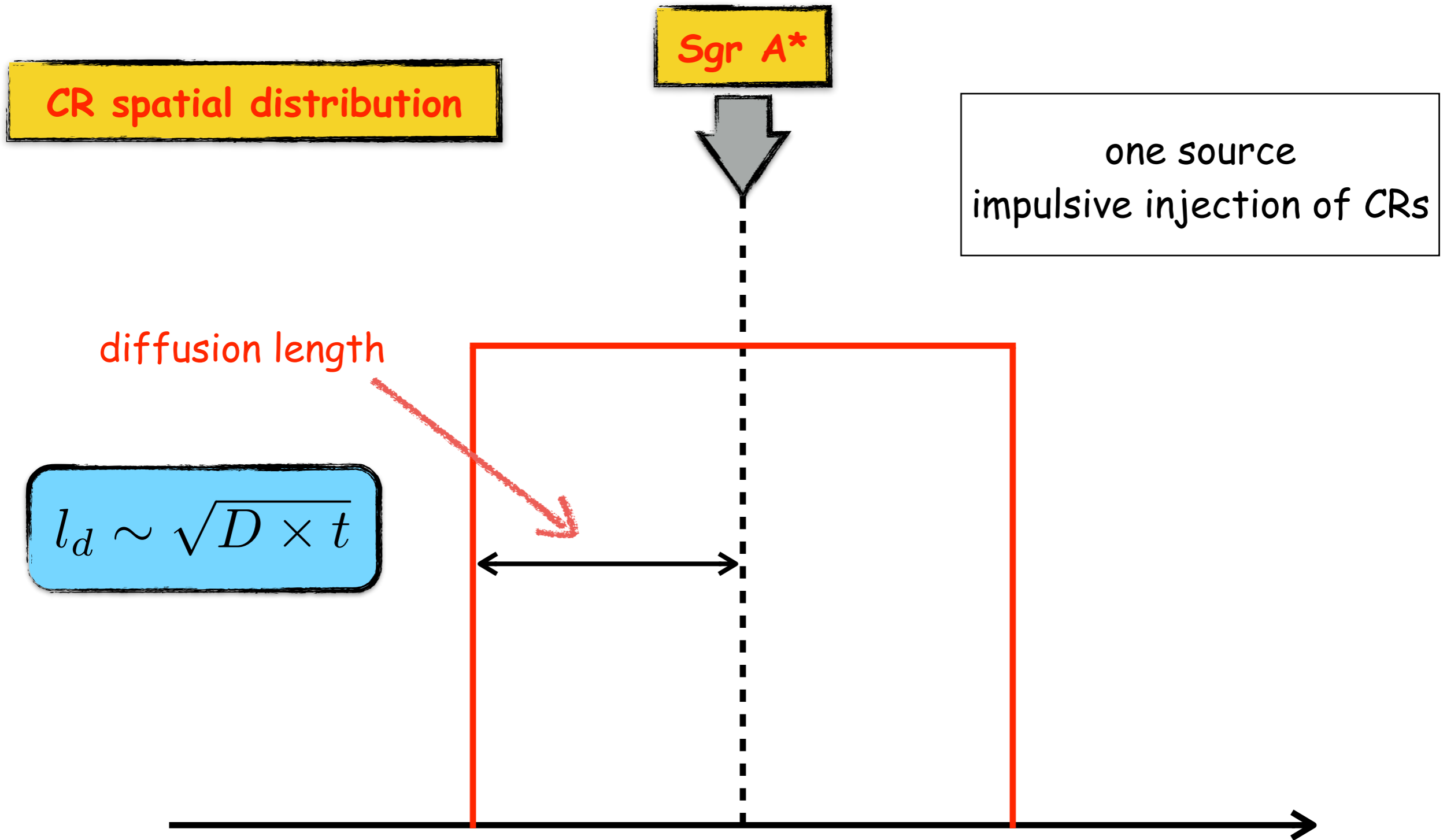


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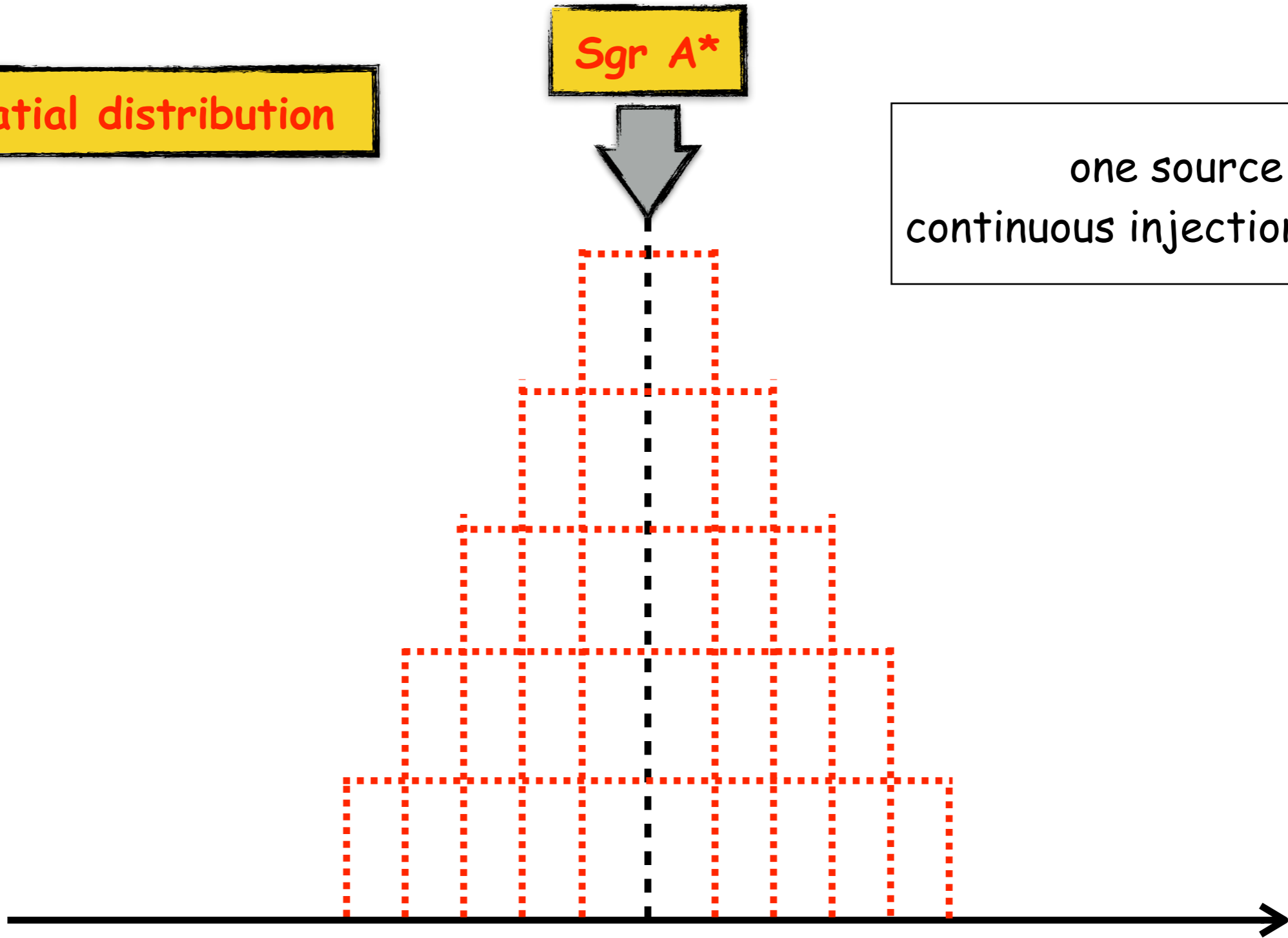


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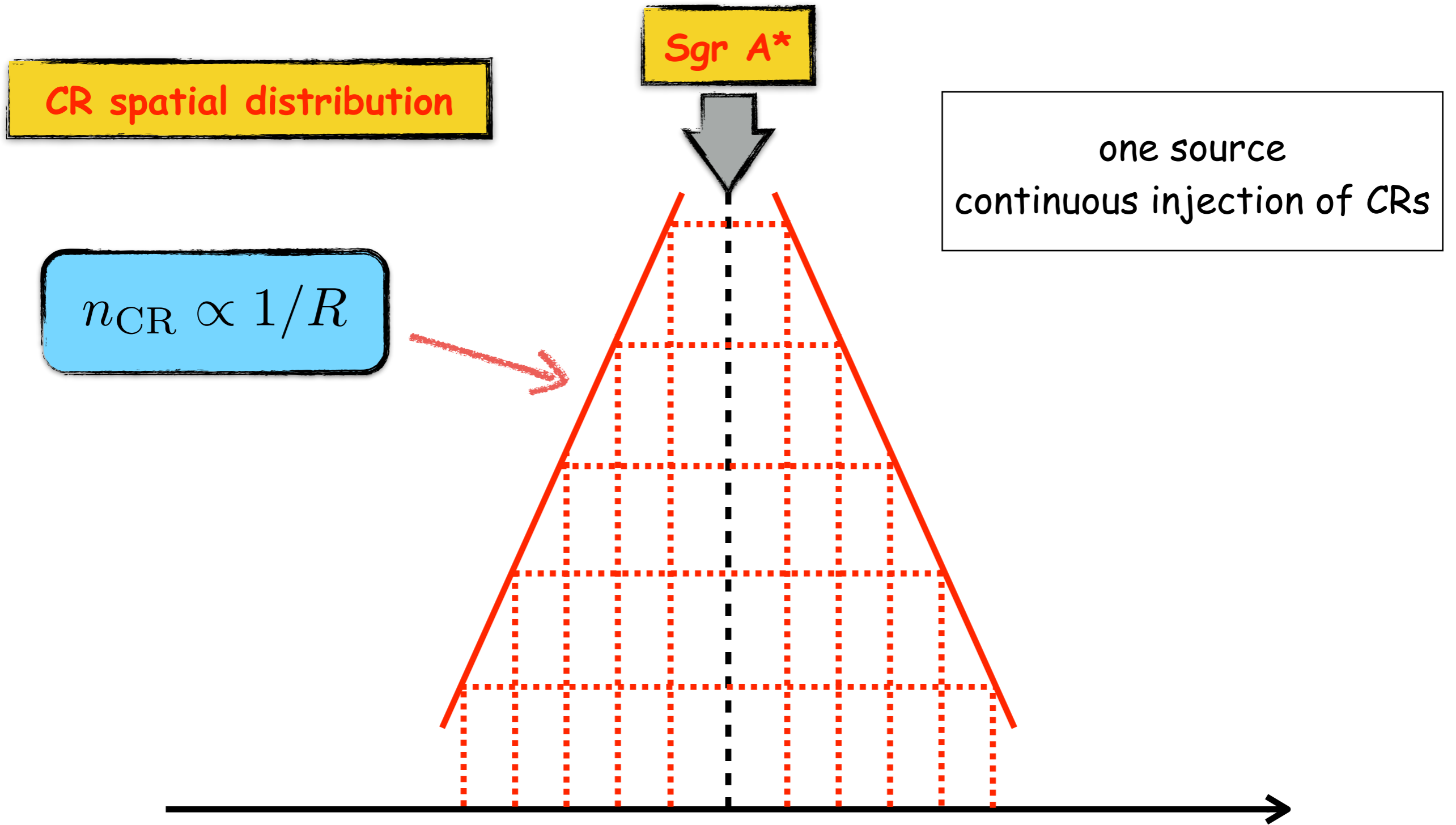
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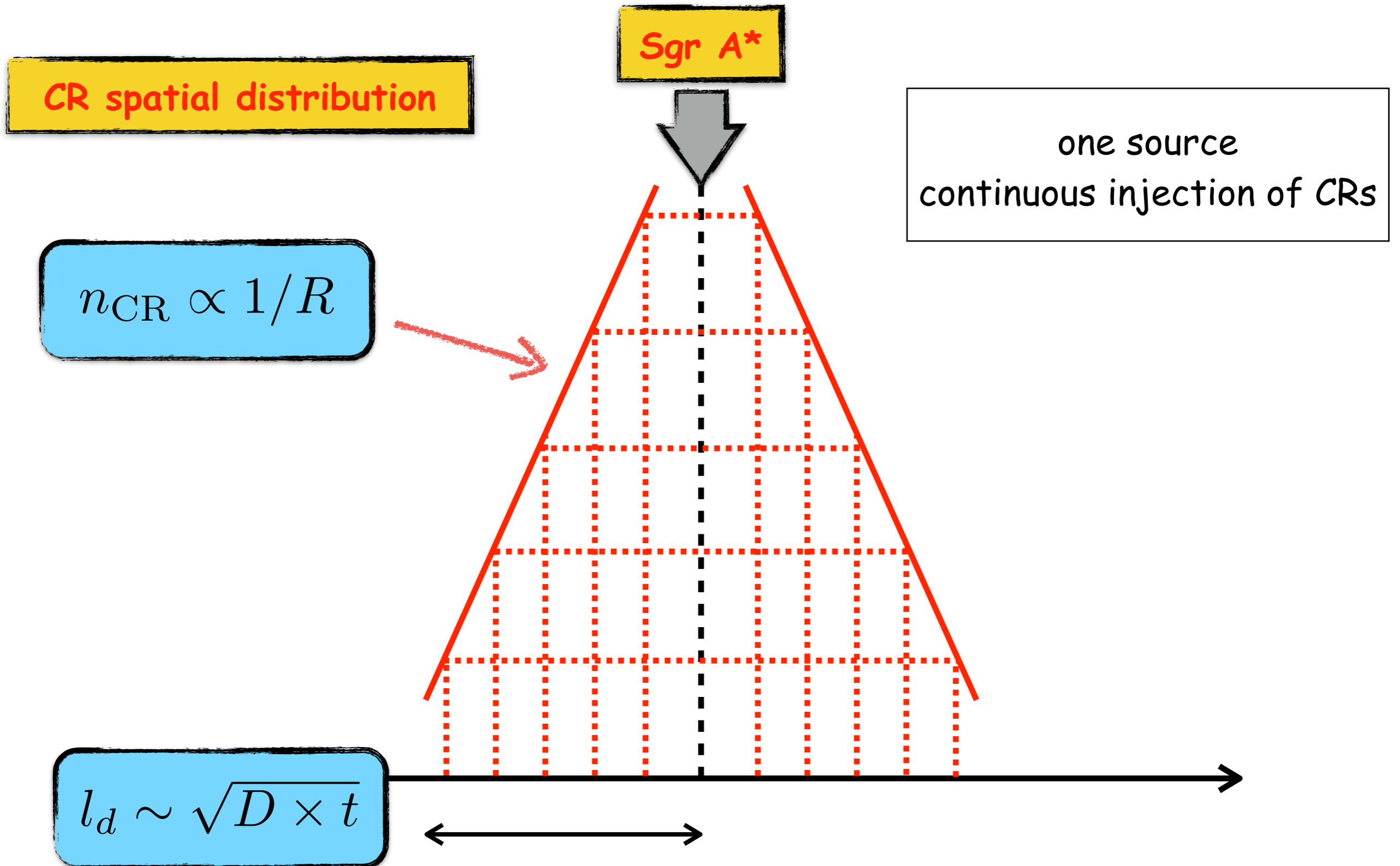
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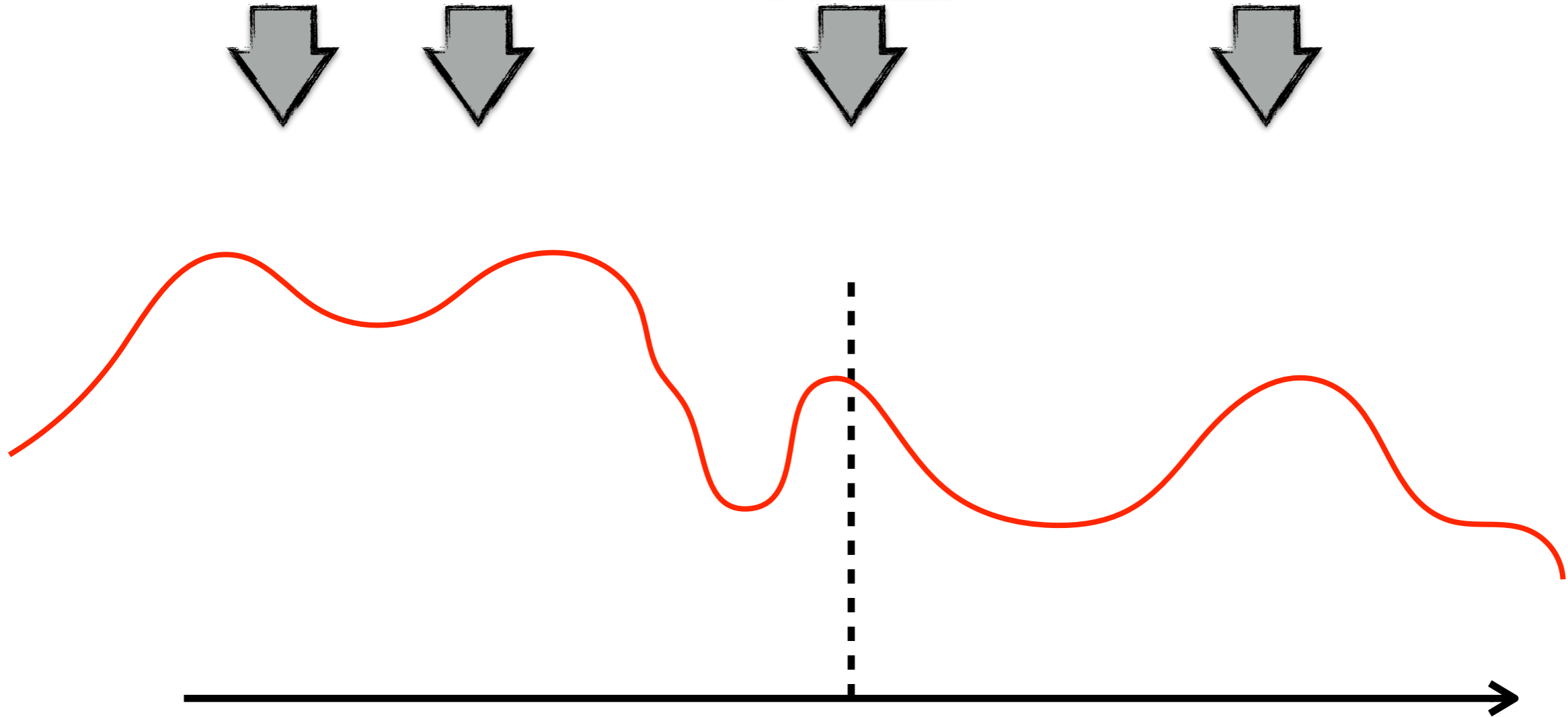


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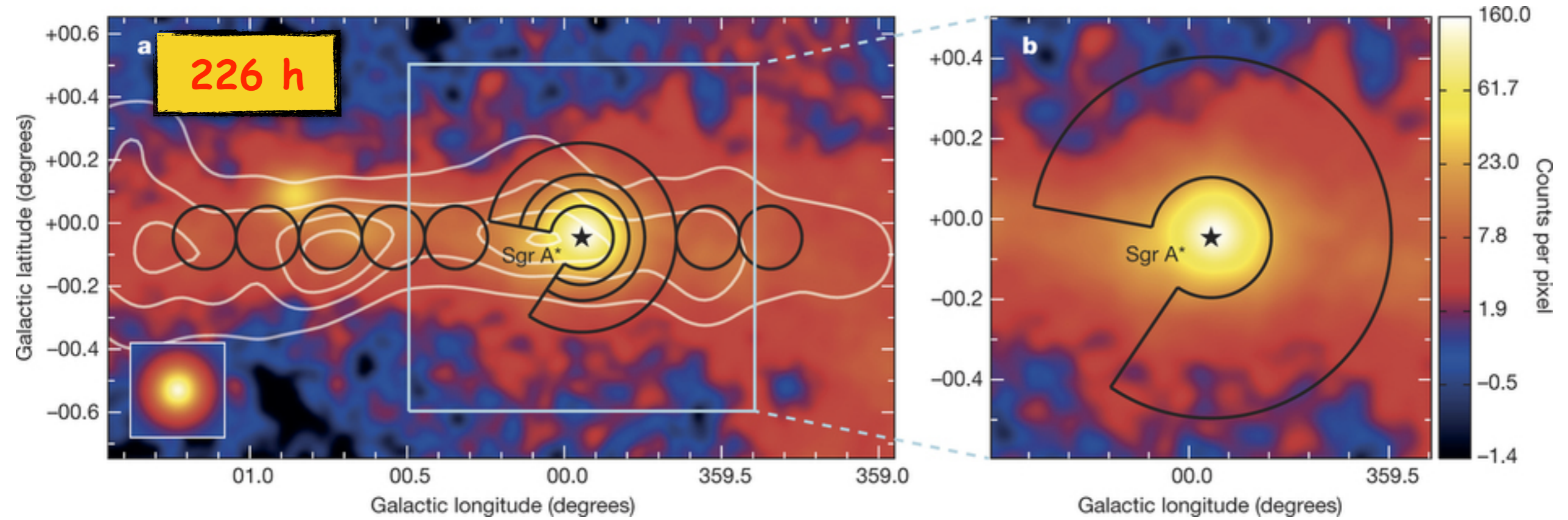
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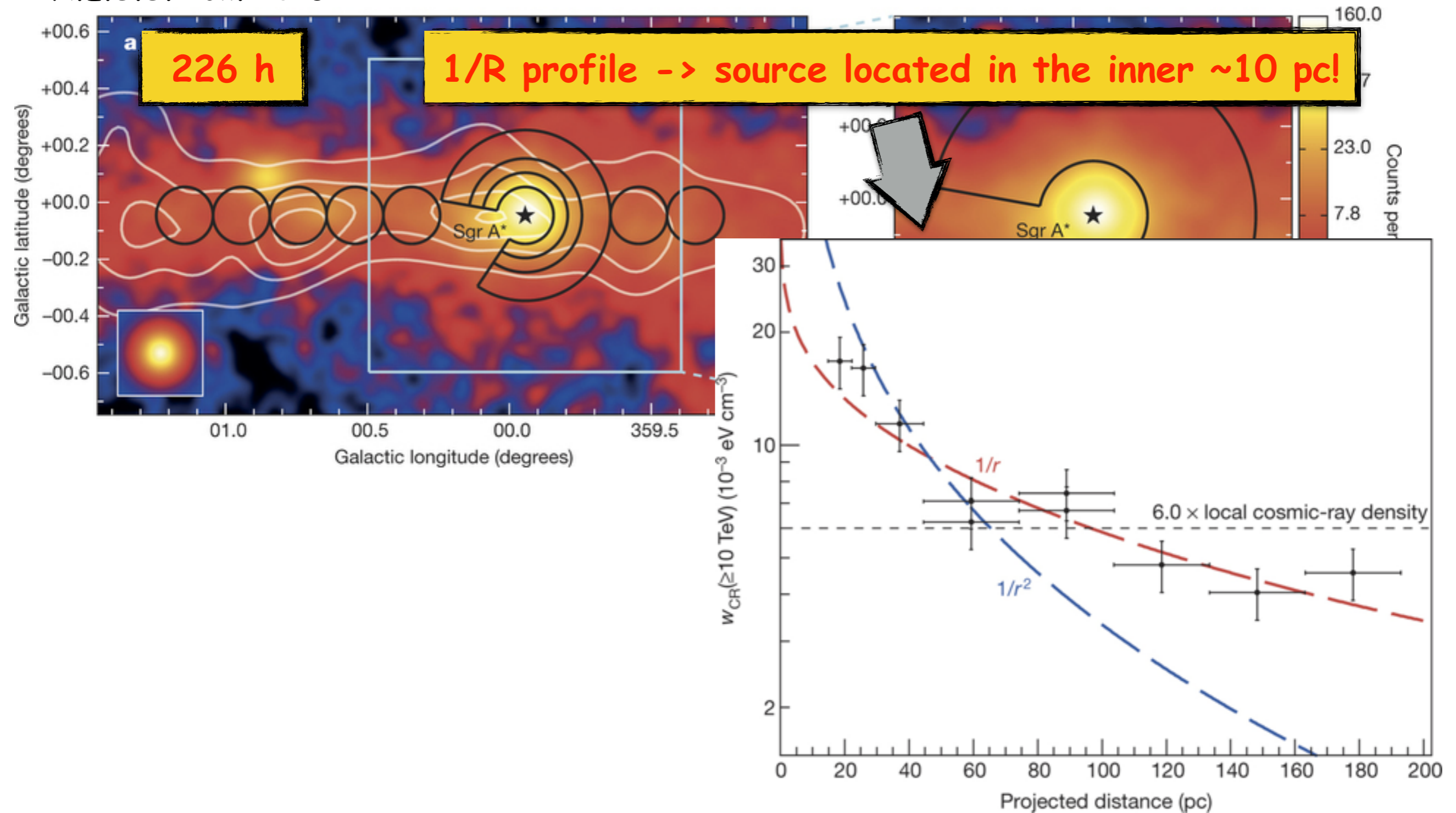
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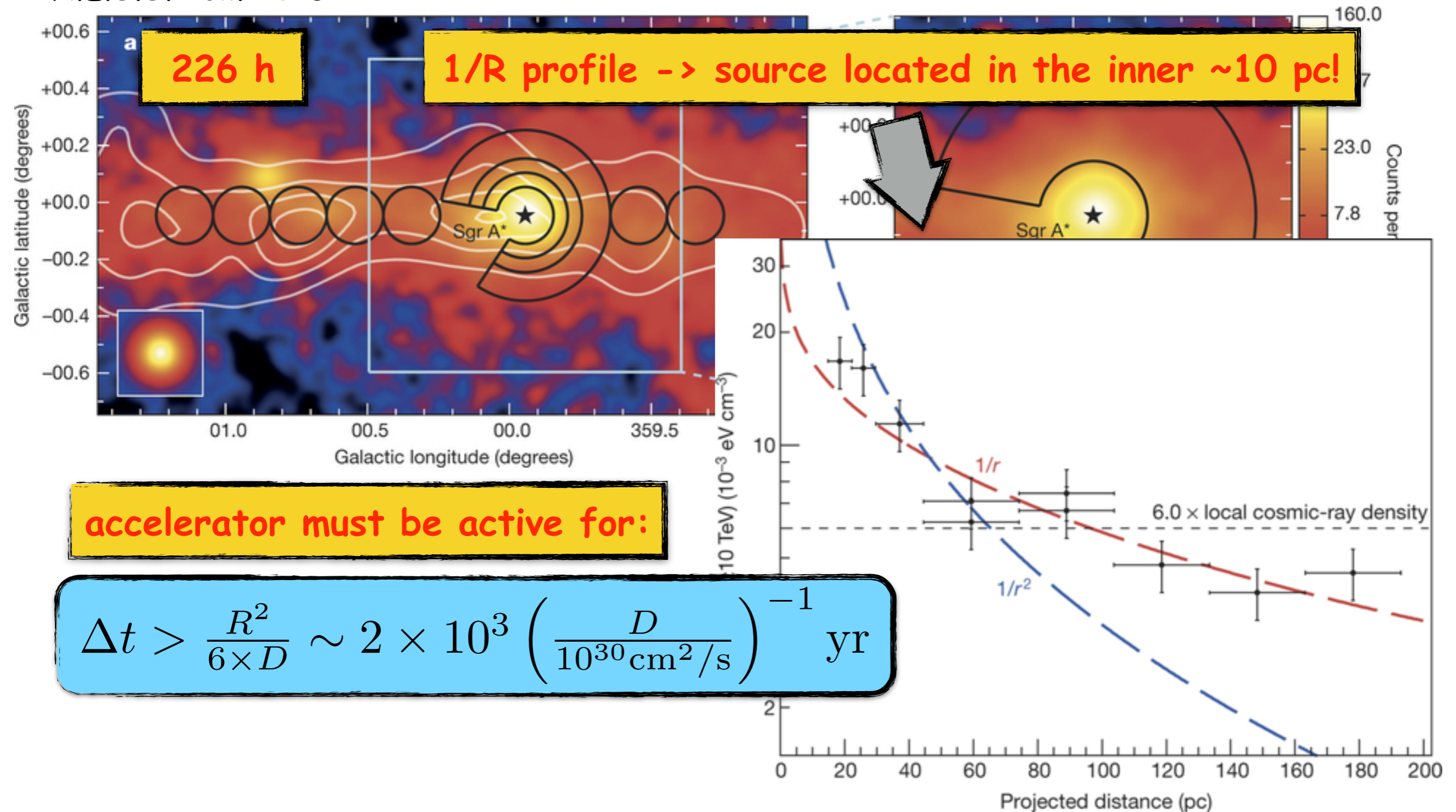
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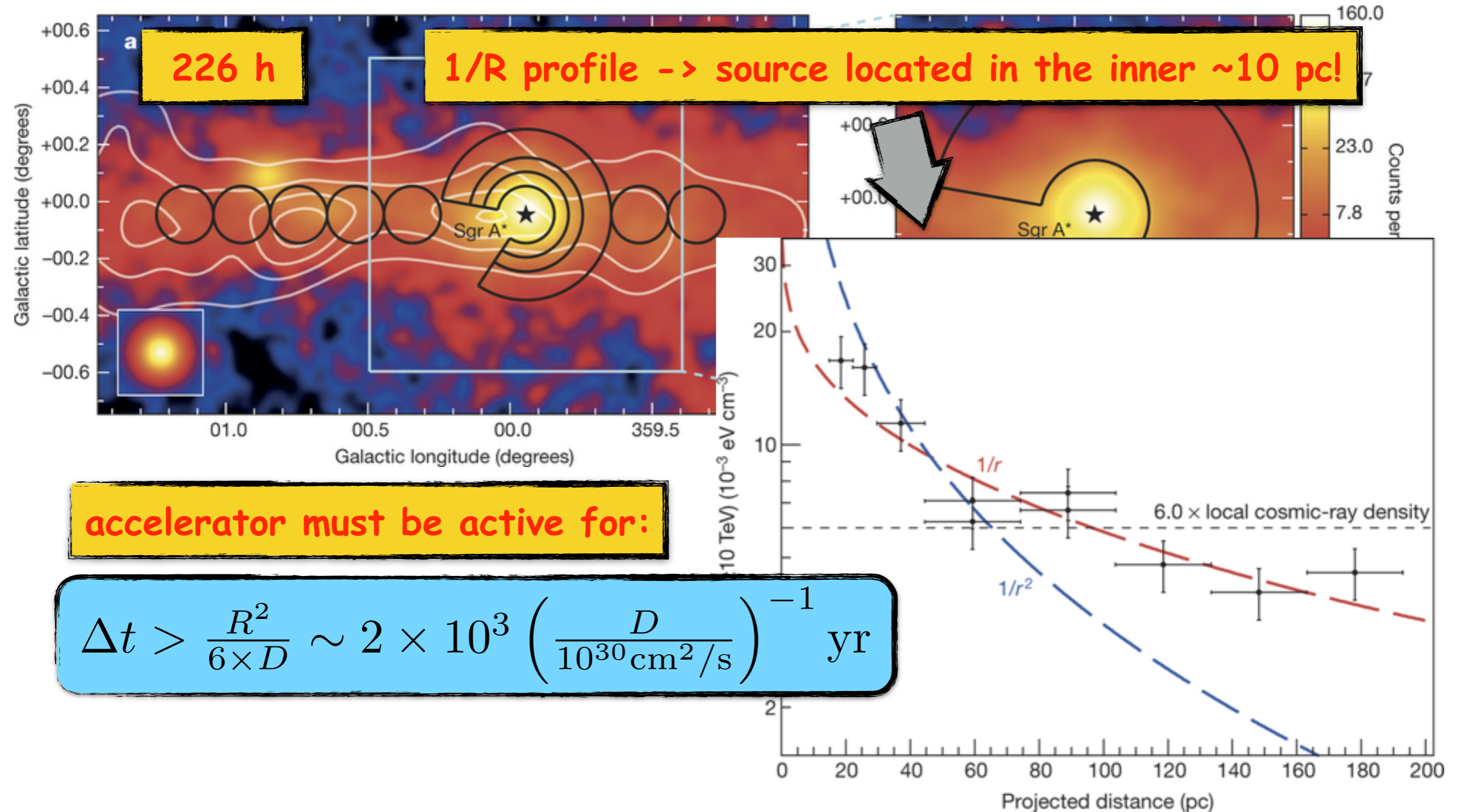
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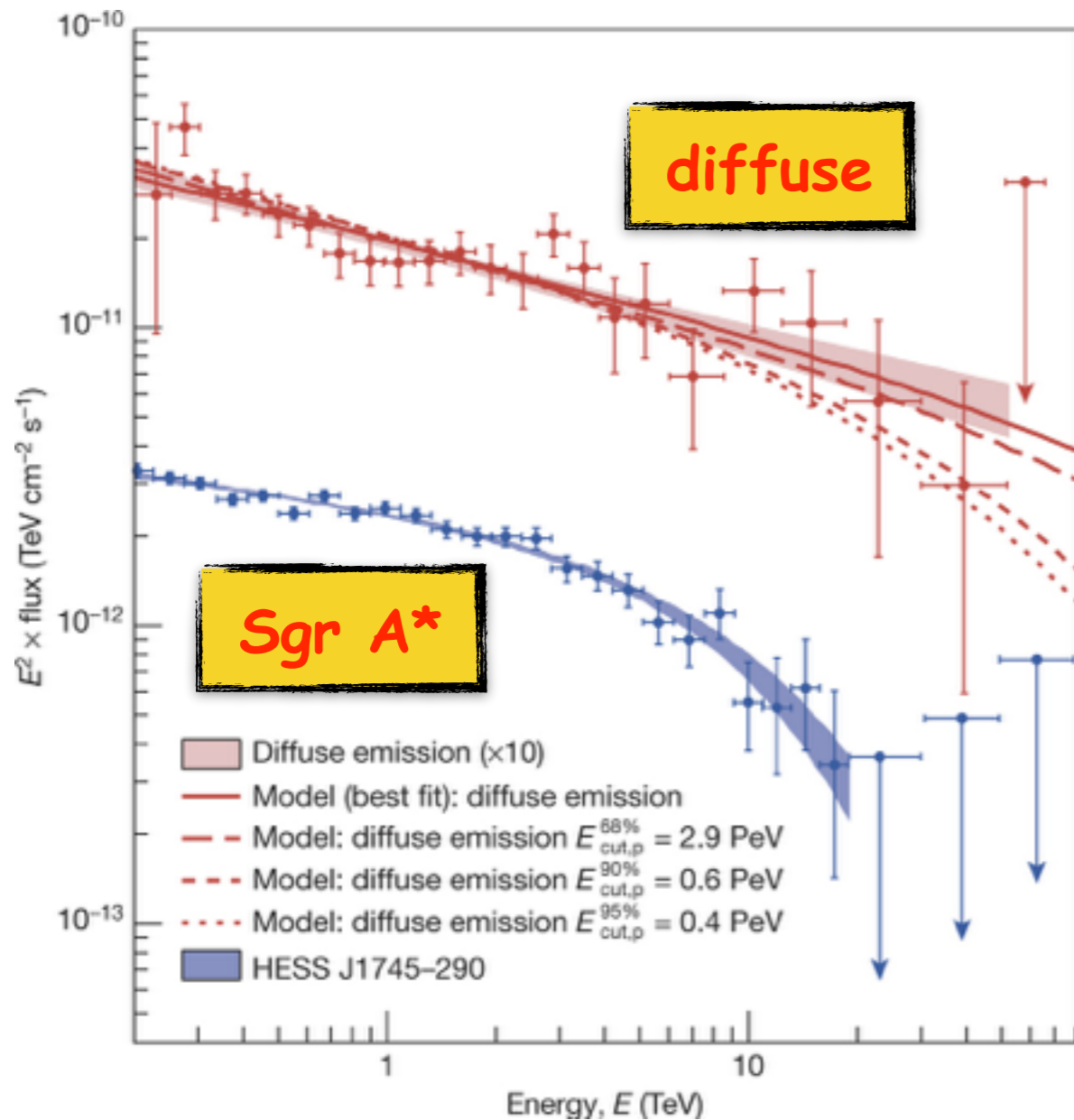
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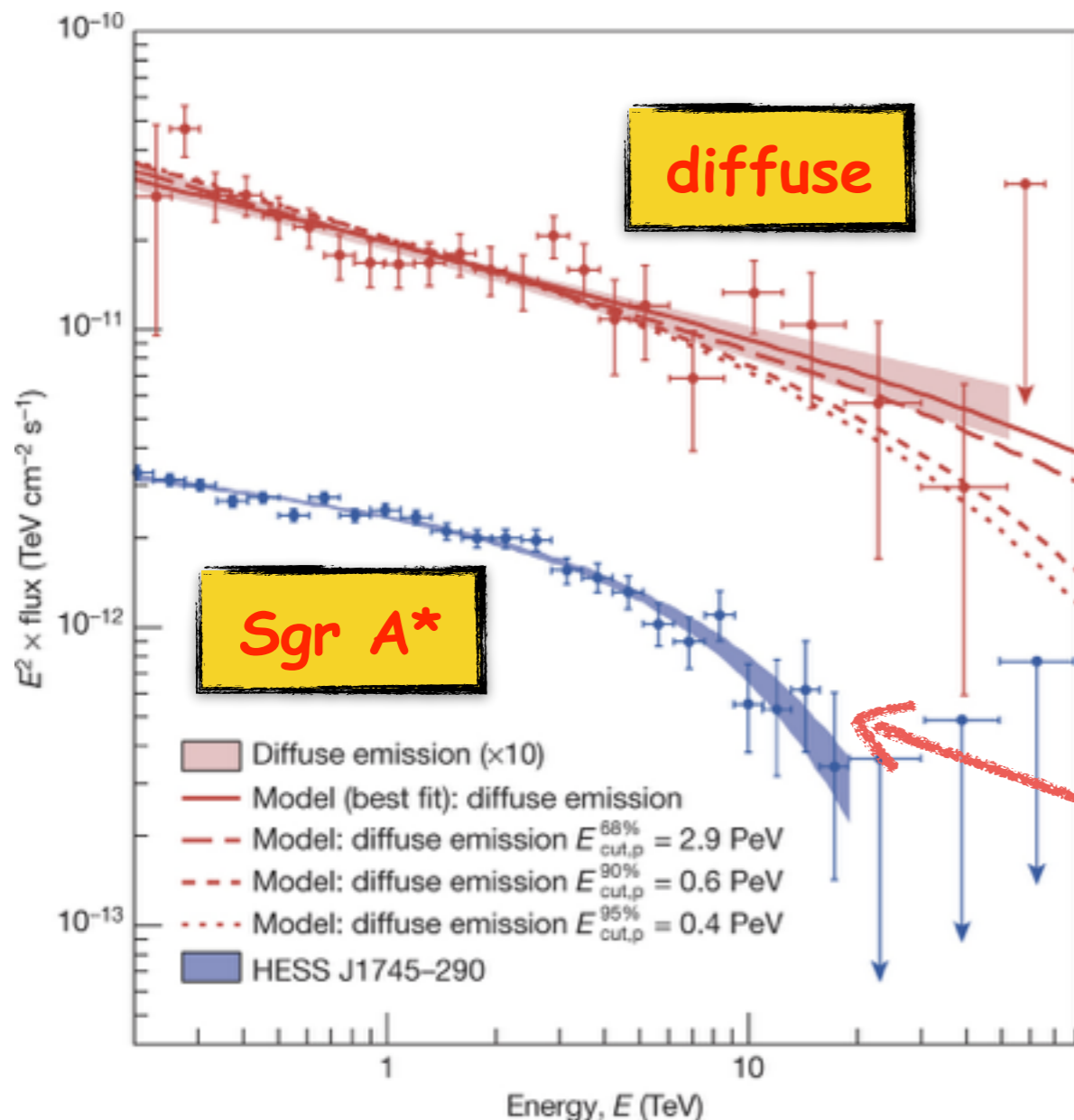
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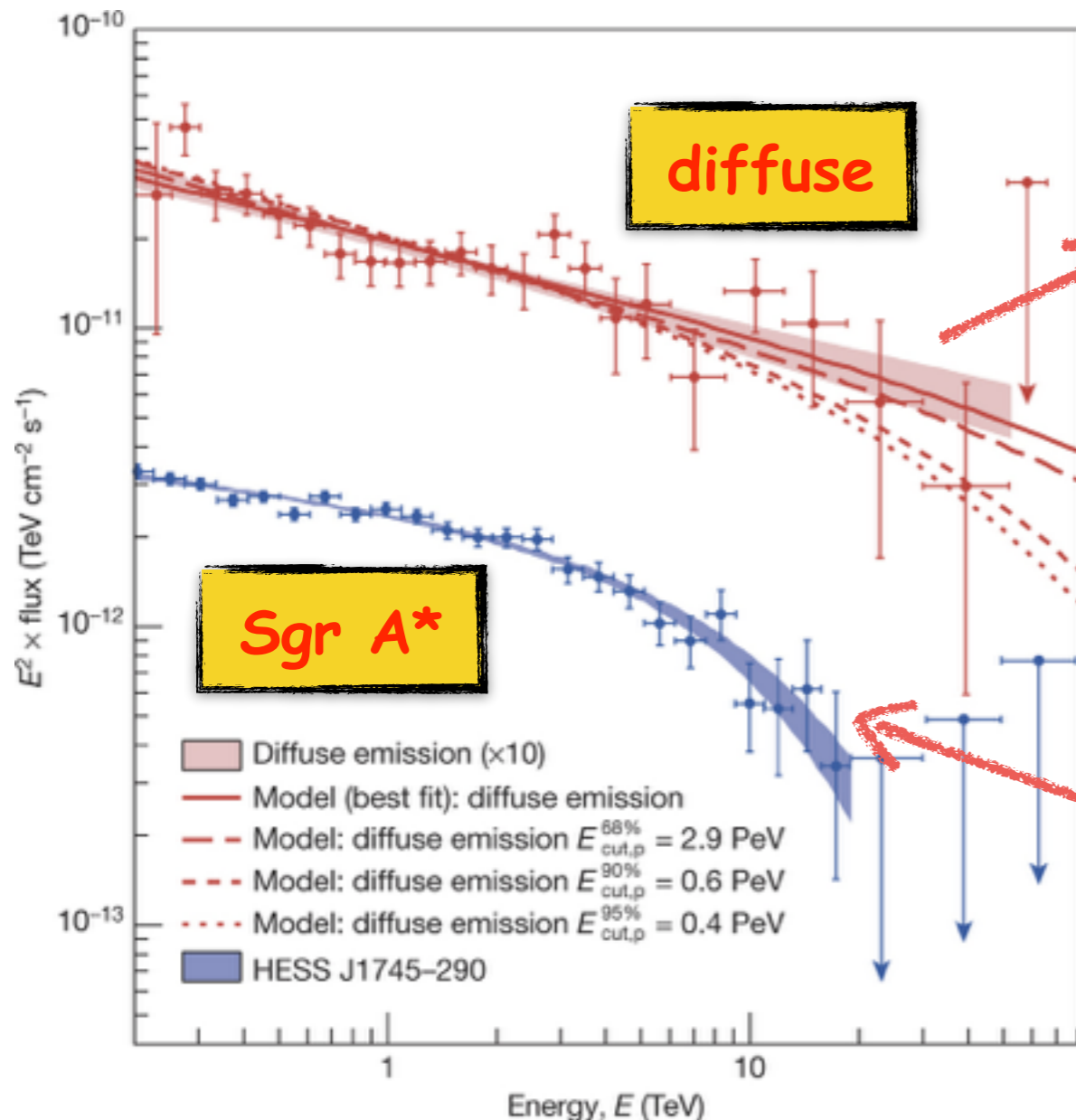


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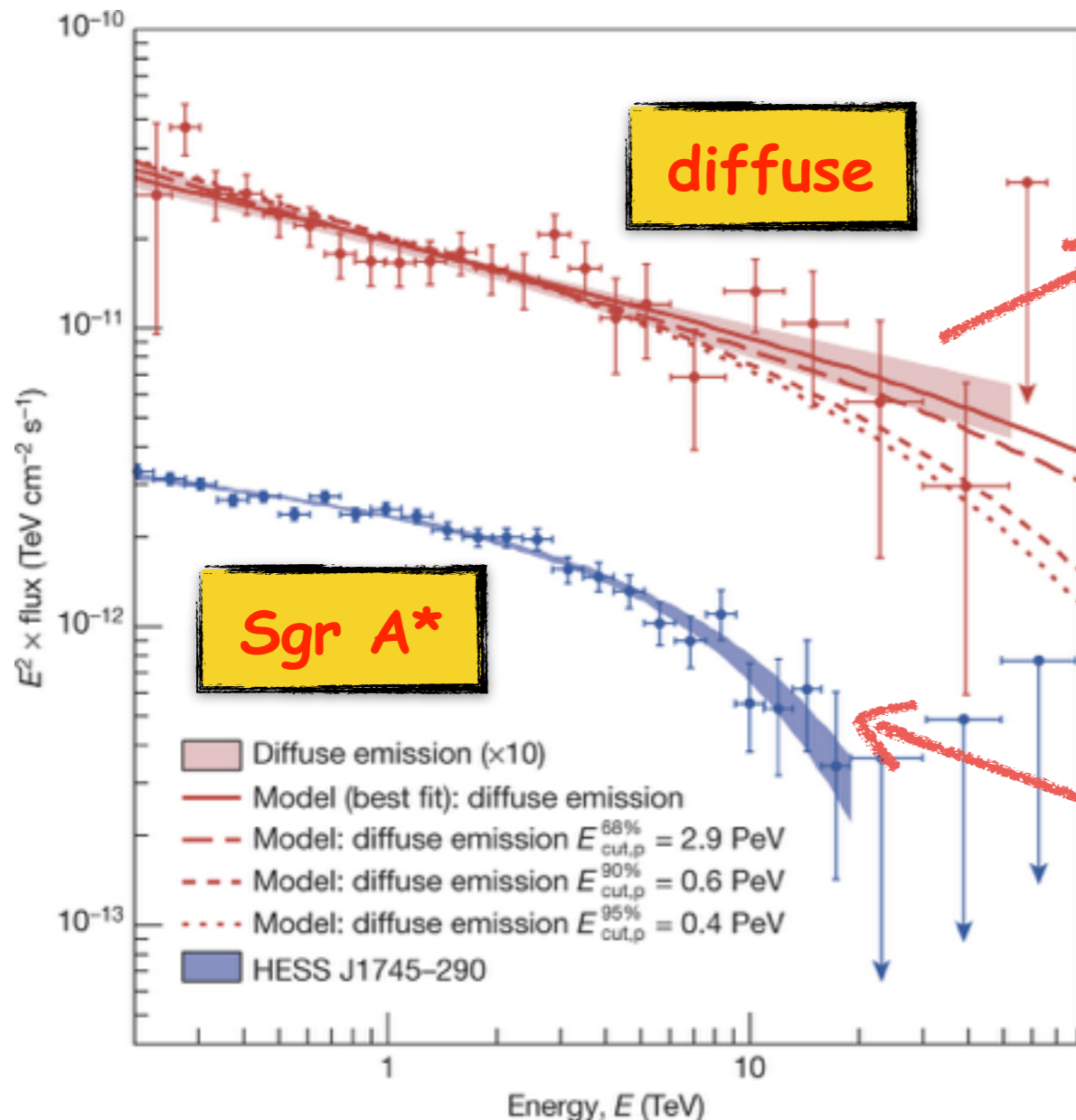
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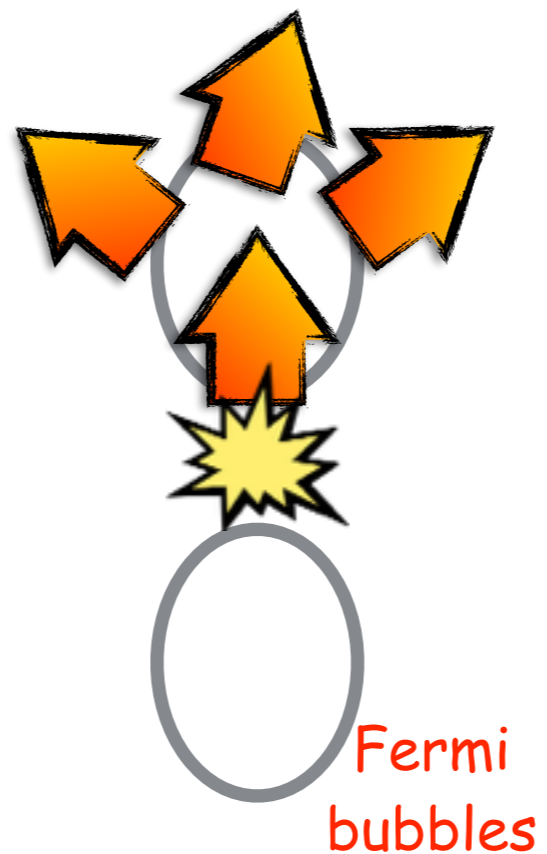
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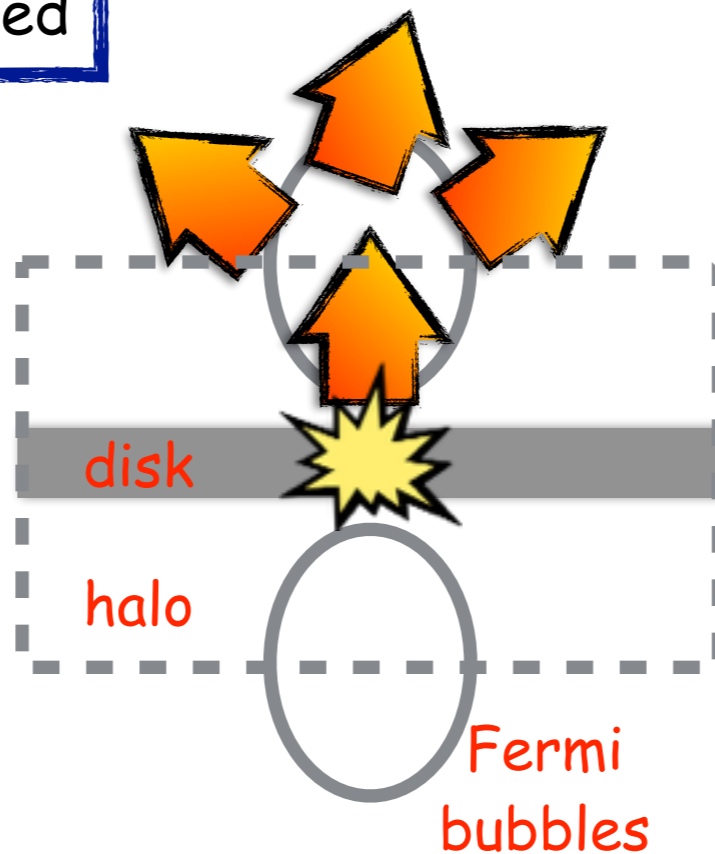
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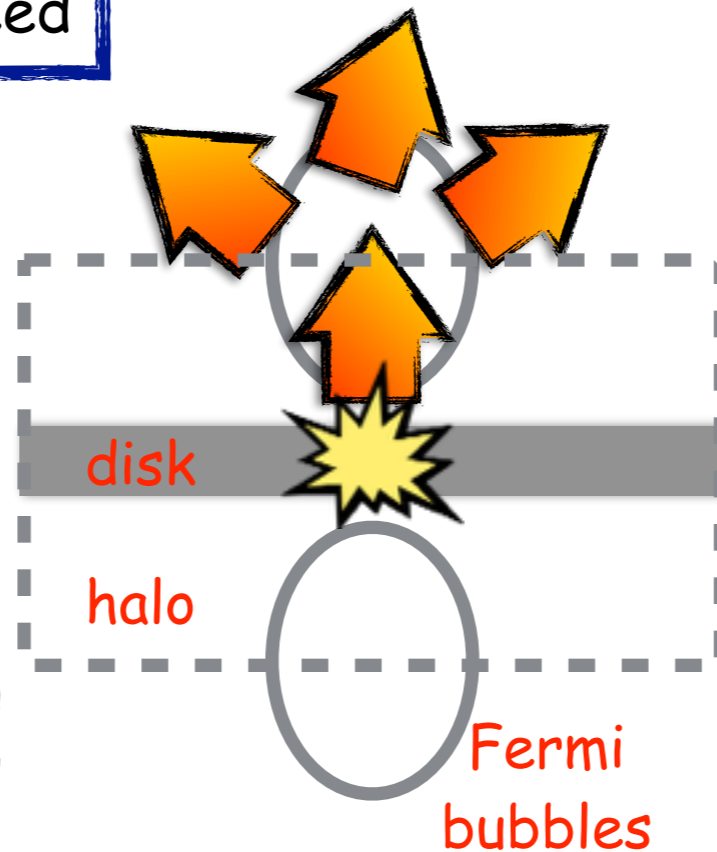
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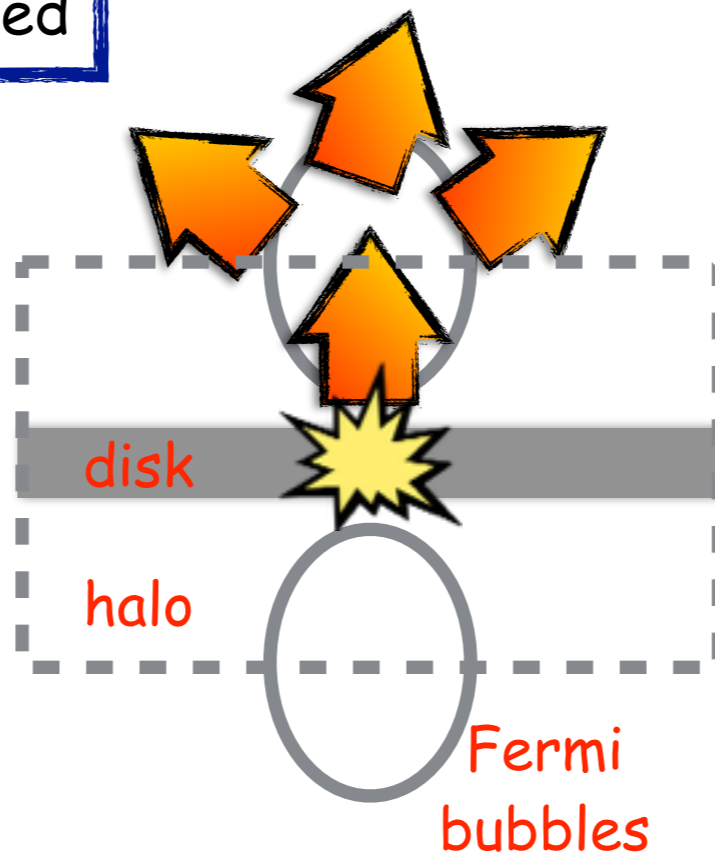
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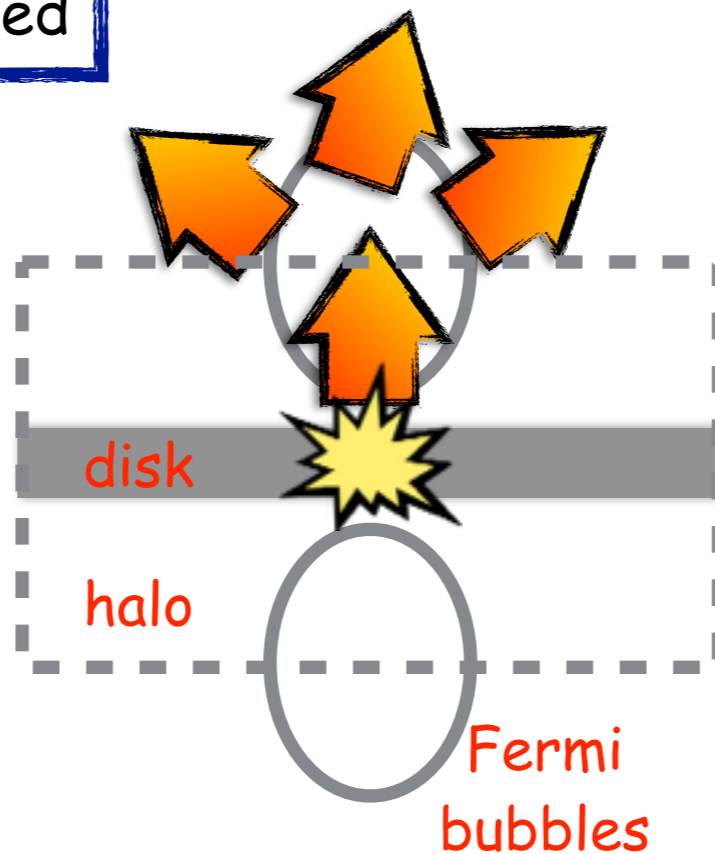
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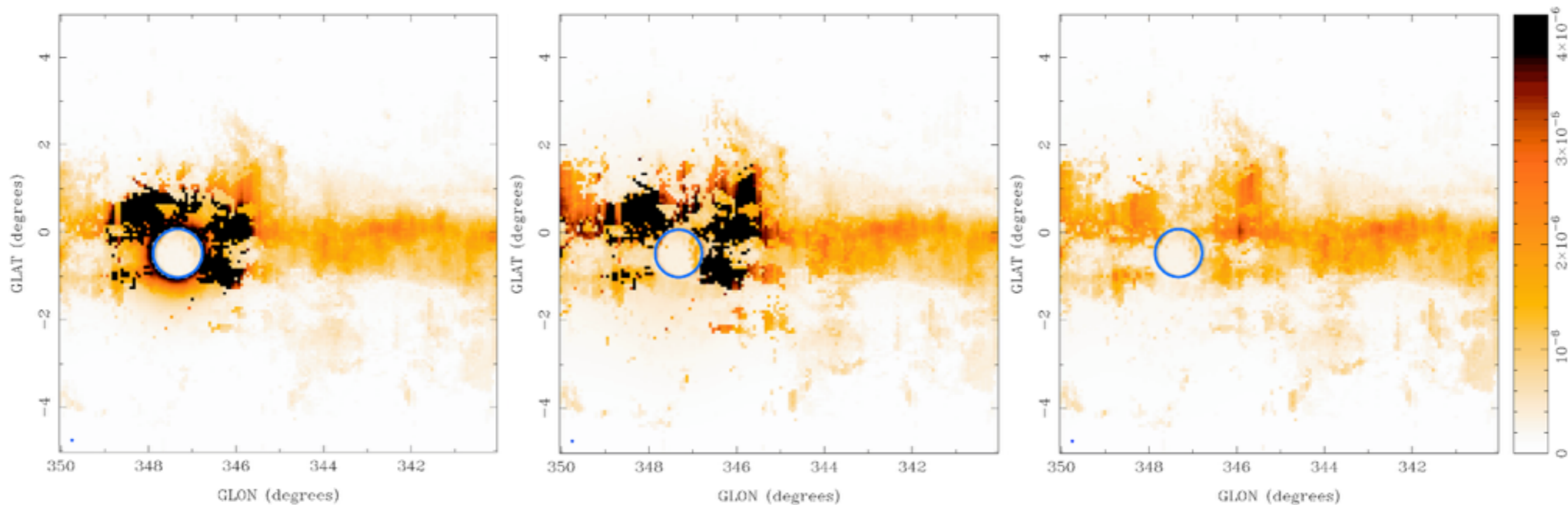
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see also Fujita+ 2016  
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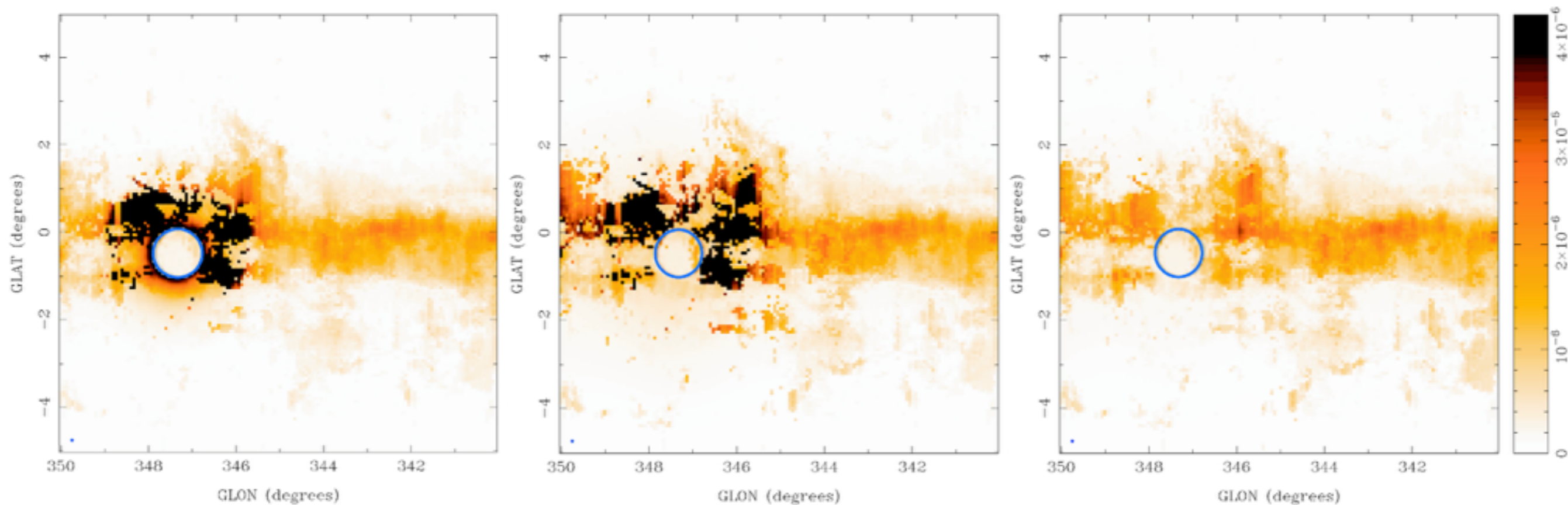
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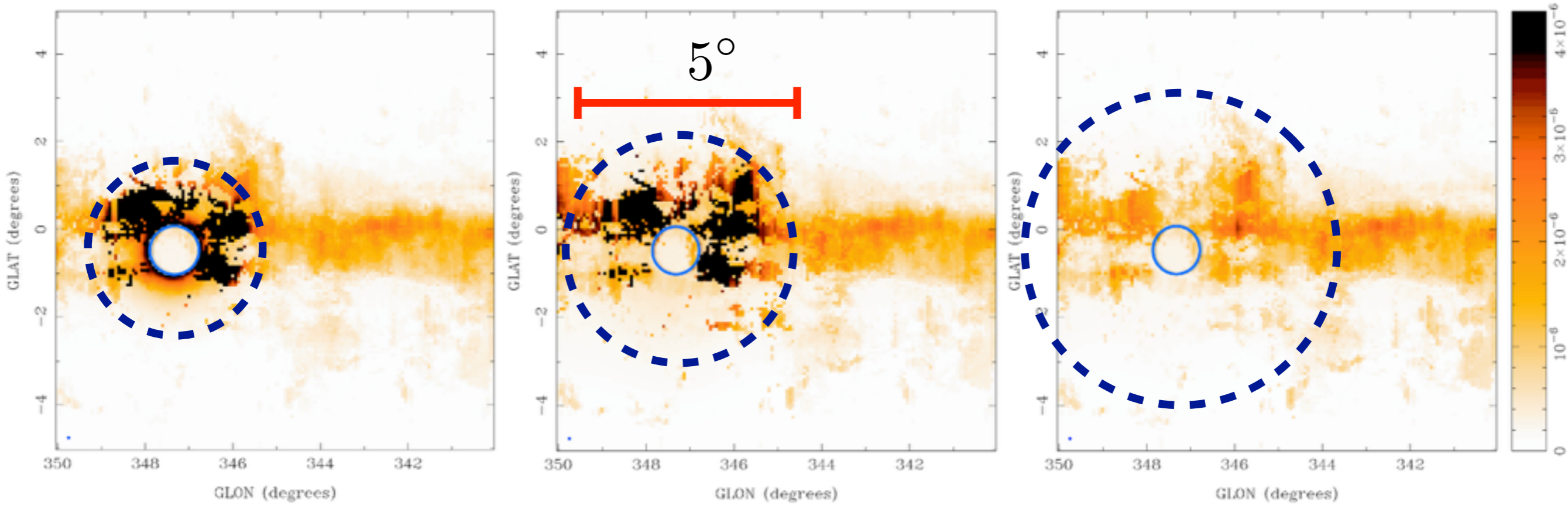
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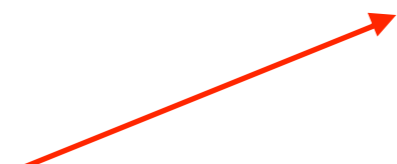


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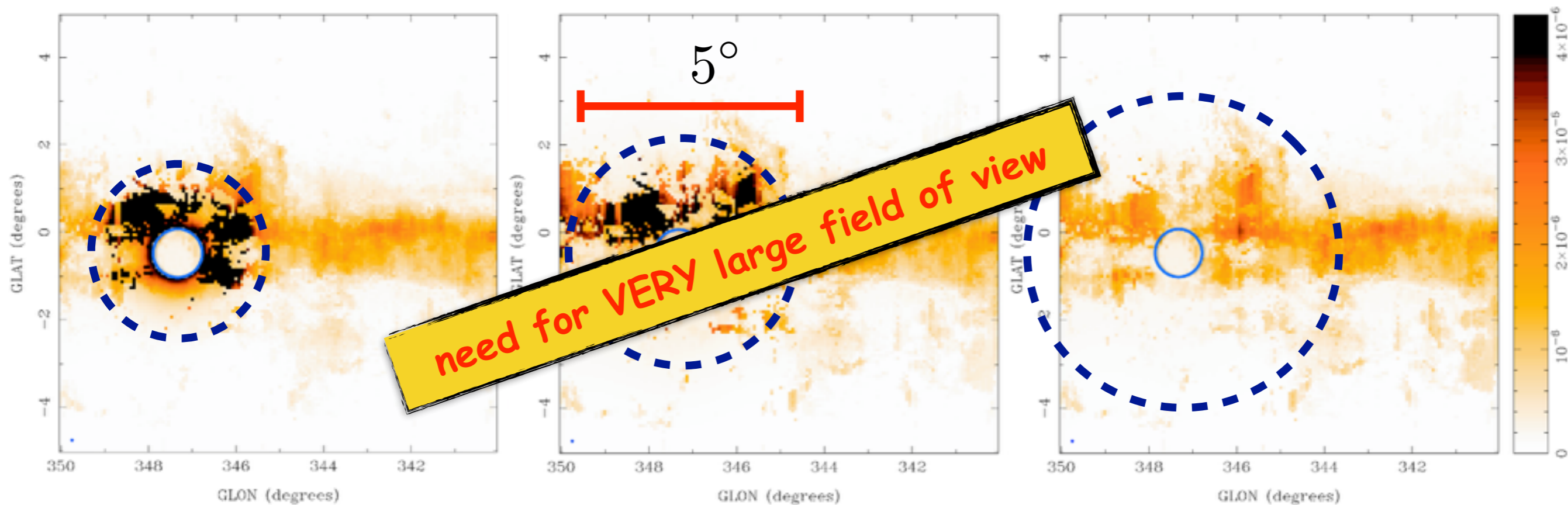


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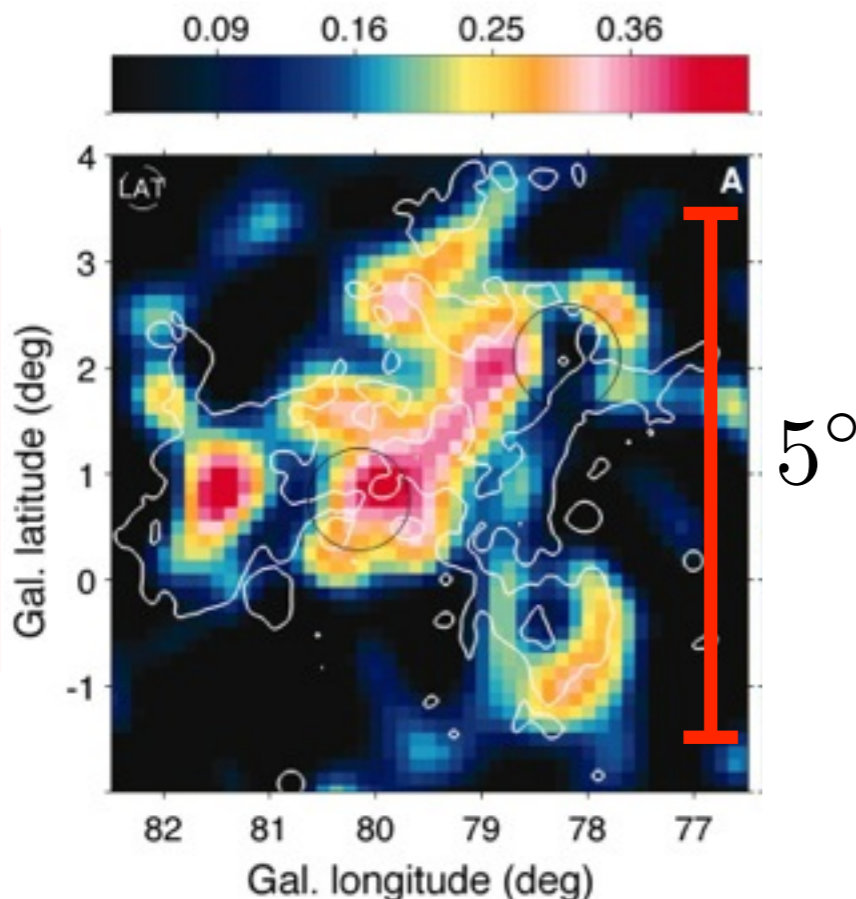
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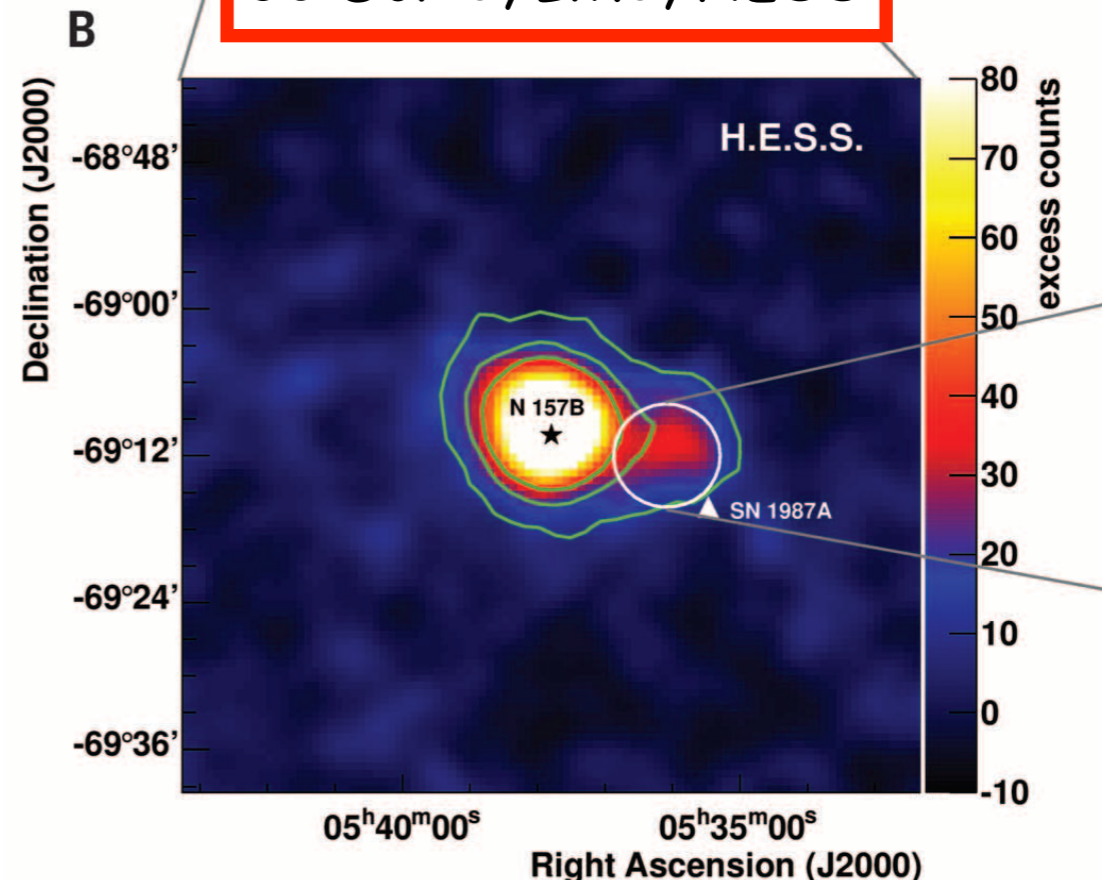
- chemical composition -> CRs originate in a source which is a mixture ~20% stellar outflow/SN ejecta and ~80% interstellar medium (Murphy+ 2016 and references)
- stars form in clusters -> SN explosions -> SNOBs and superbubbles
- the acceleration mechanism might be completely different (Bykov&Fleishman92)
- particle spectrum not universal, large  $E_{\max}$  (large size!)

superbubbles in  $\gamma$ -rays



Cygnus, Fermi

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would be degrees @ 1 kpc

# The neutrino-gamma ray connection

Secondary electrons and positrons:

$$p + p \rightarrow p + p + \pi^0 + \pi^+ + \pi^-$$

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

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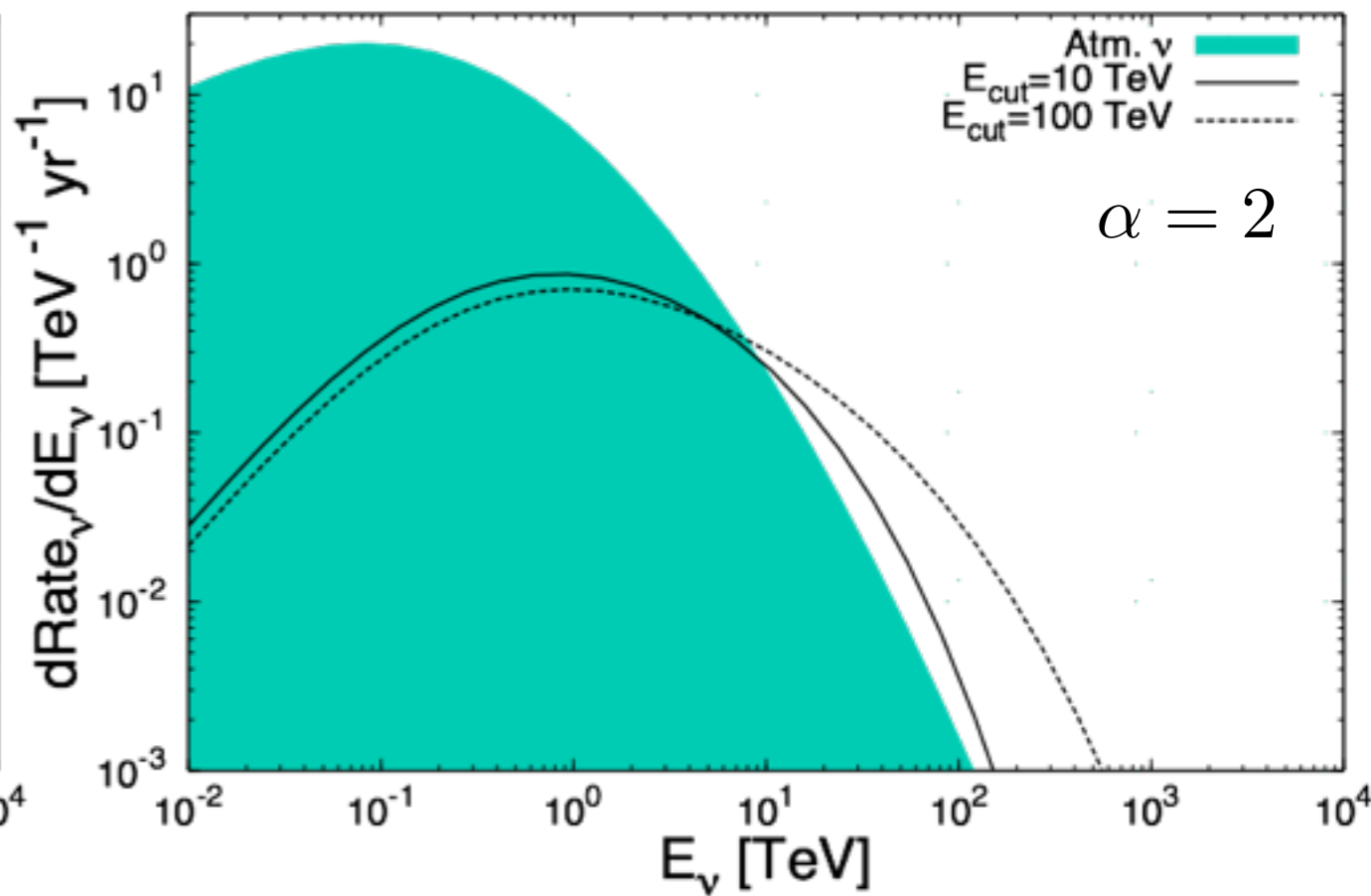
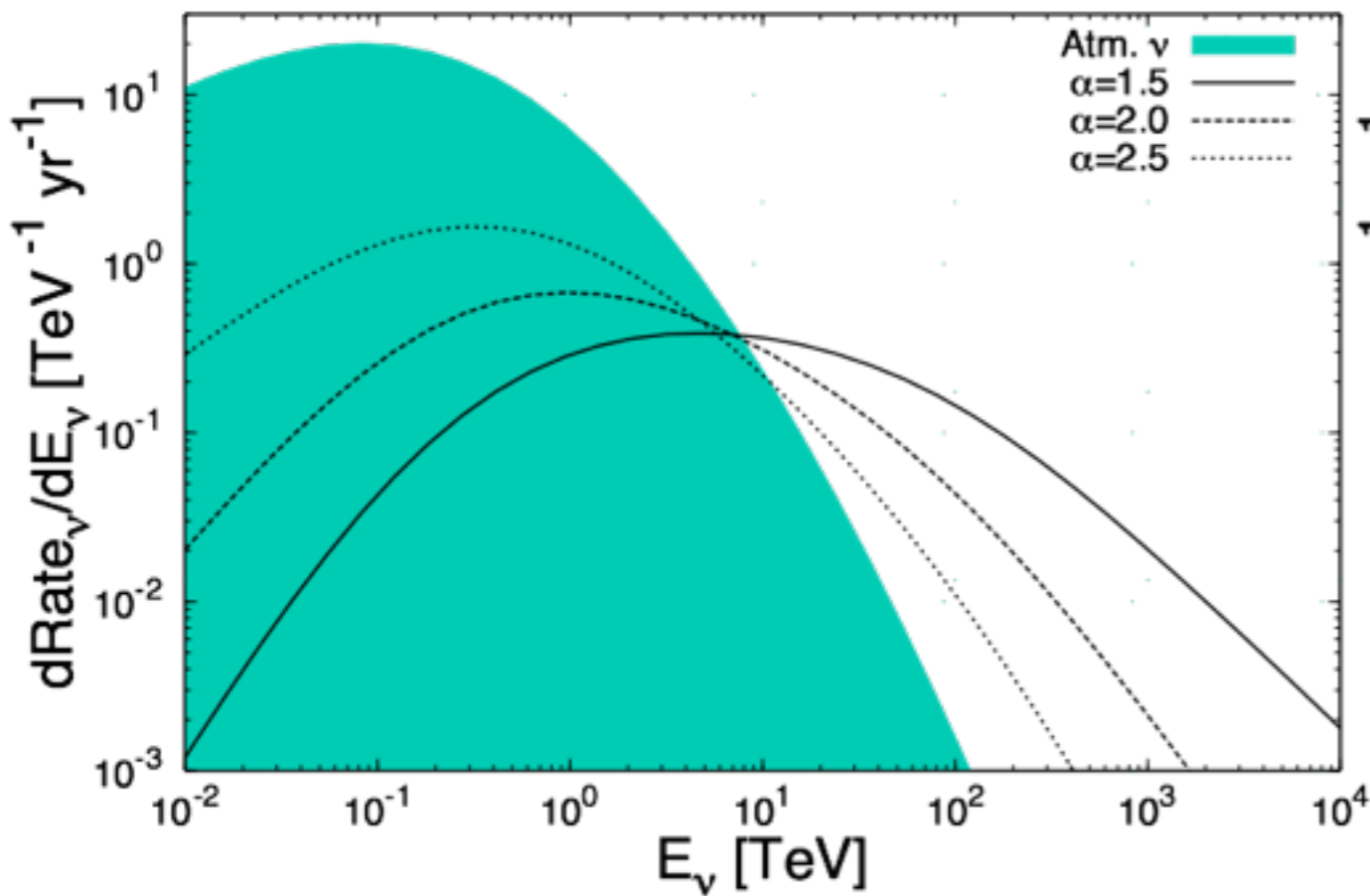
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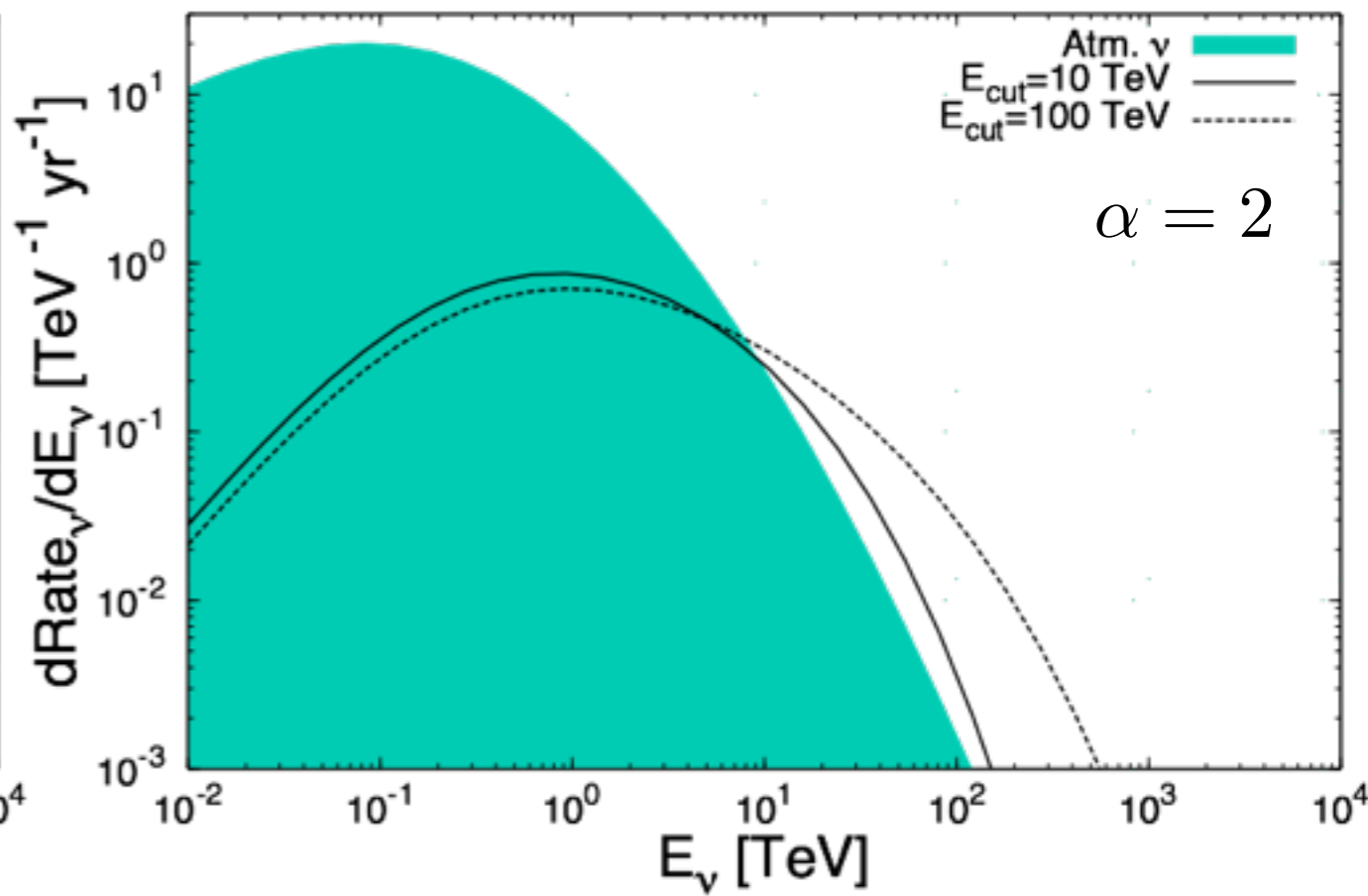
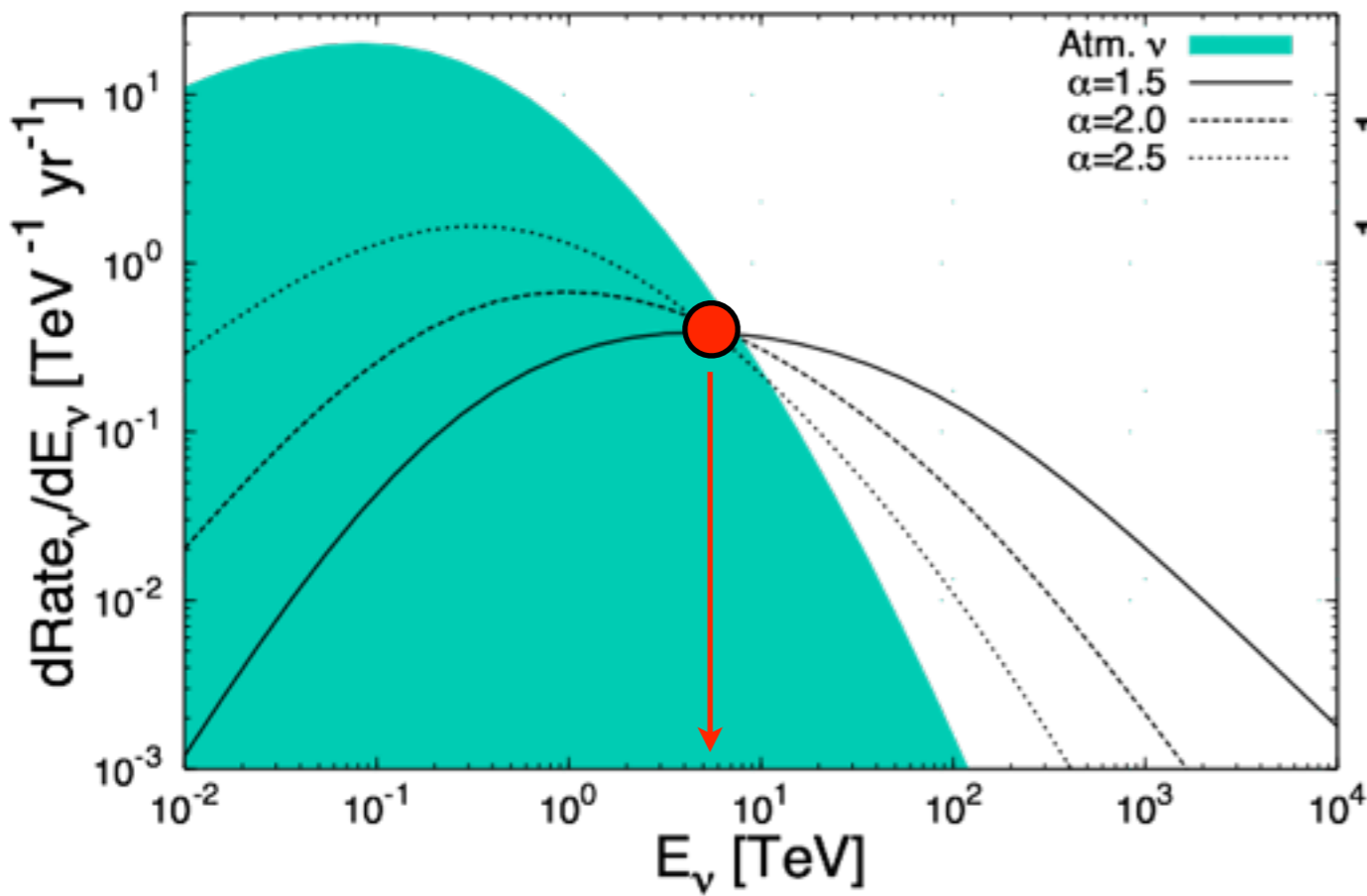
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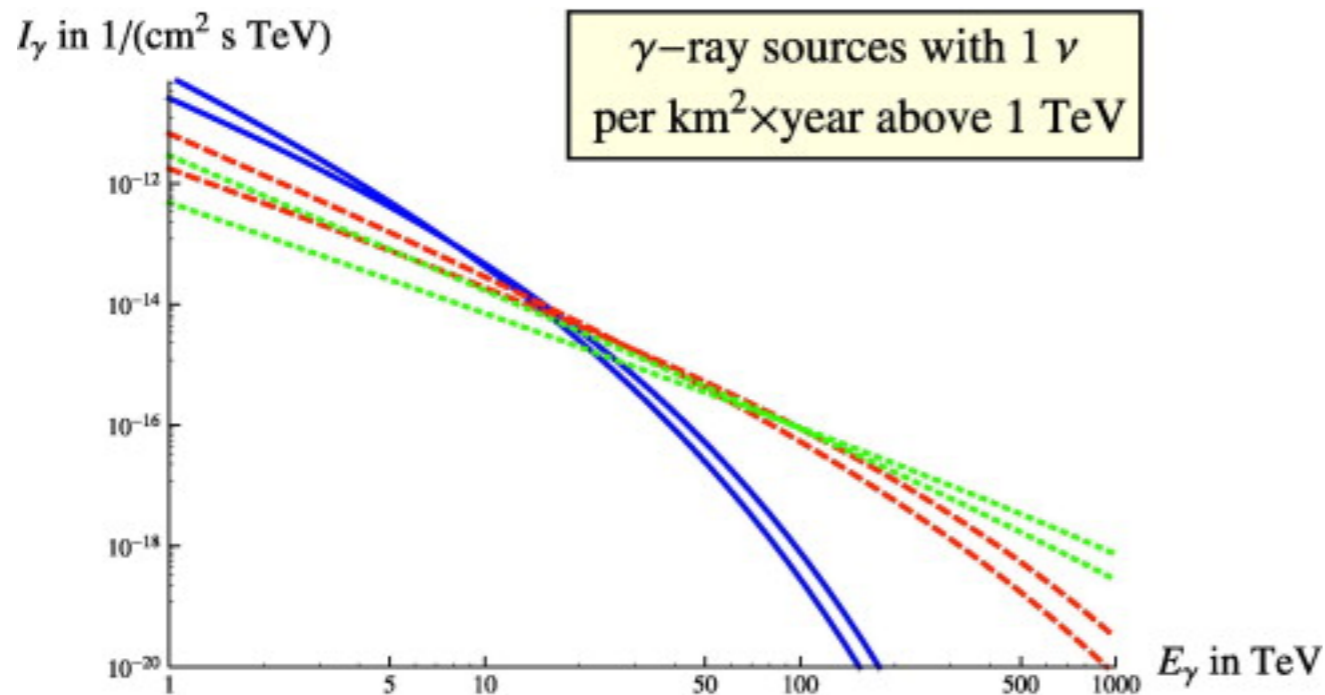
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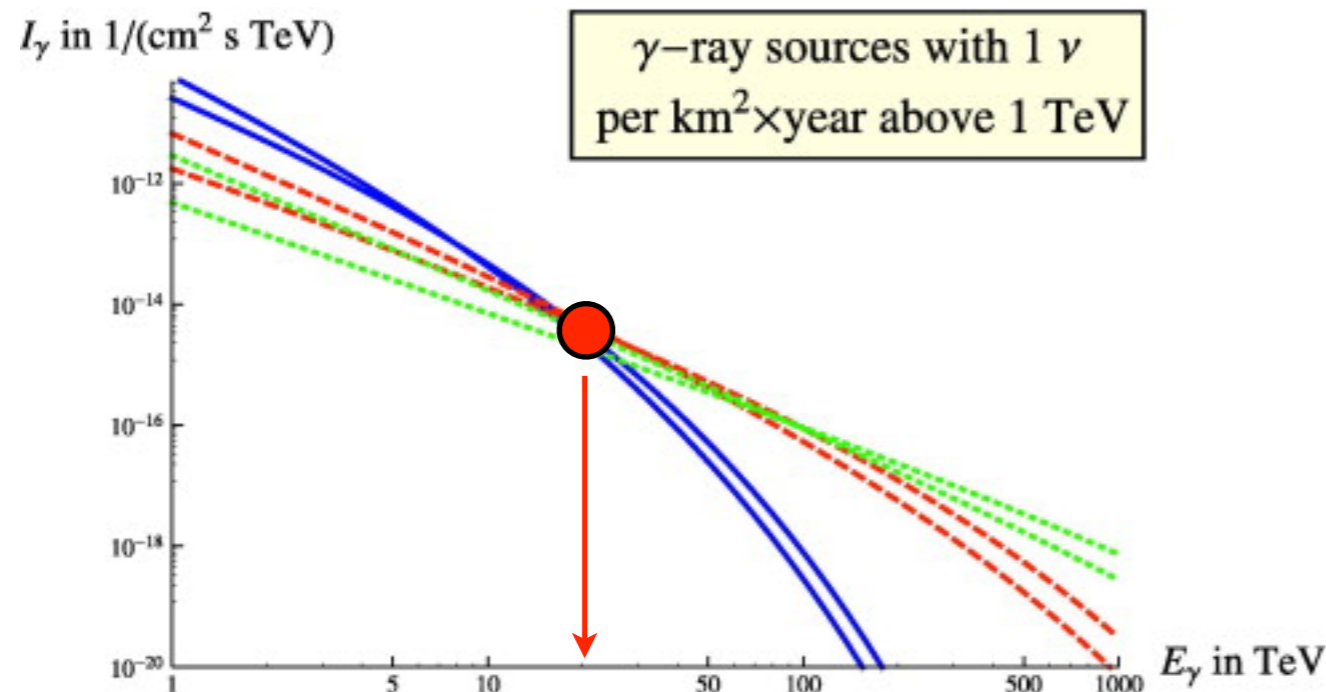
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MILAGRO -> 20 TeV

gamma ray observations at ~20 TeV are the most relevant for neutrinos

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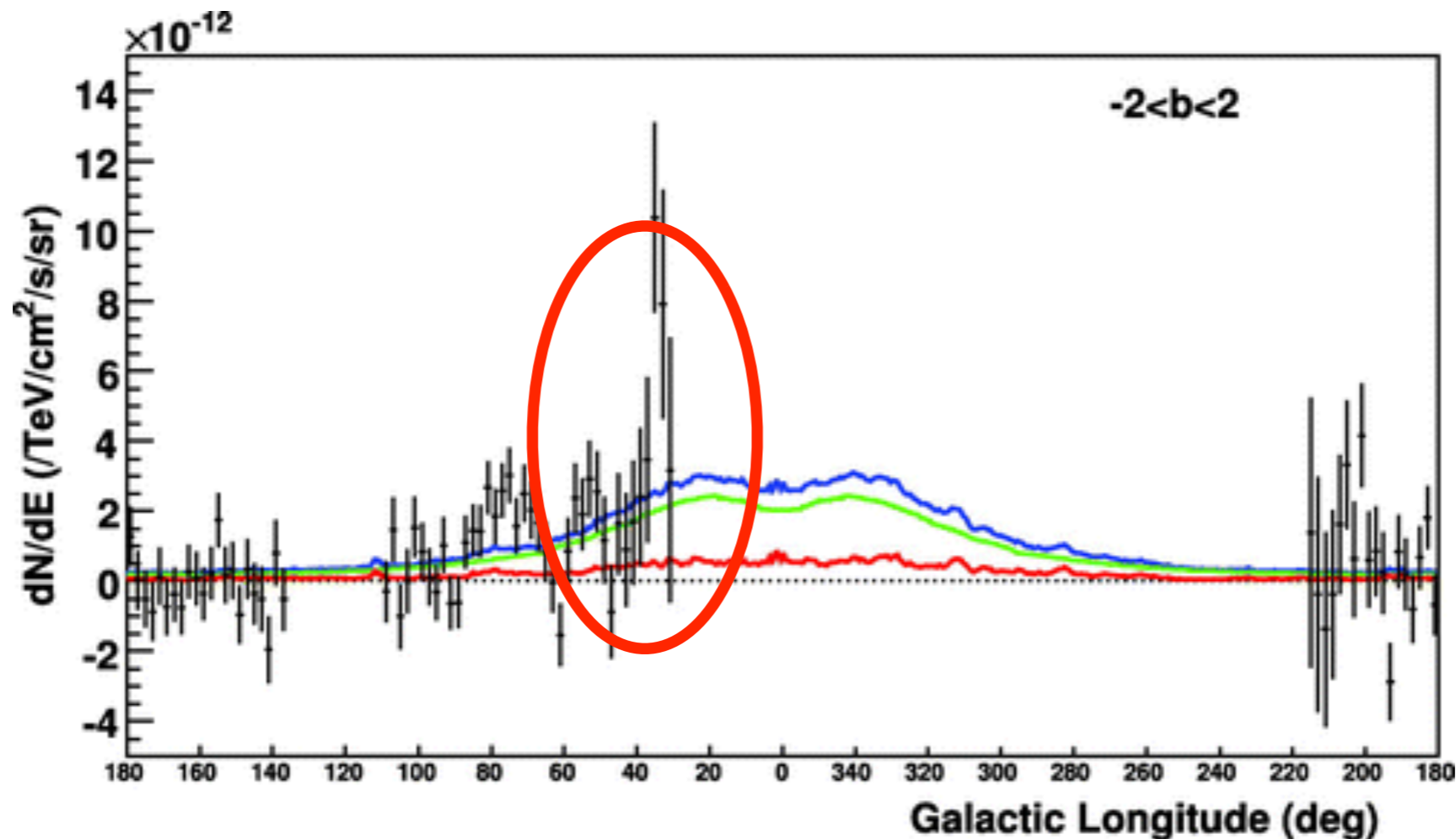
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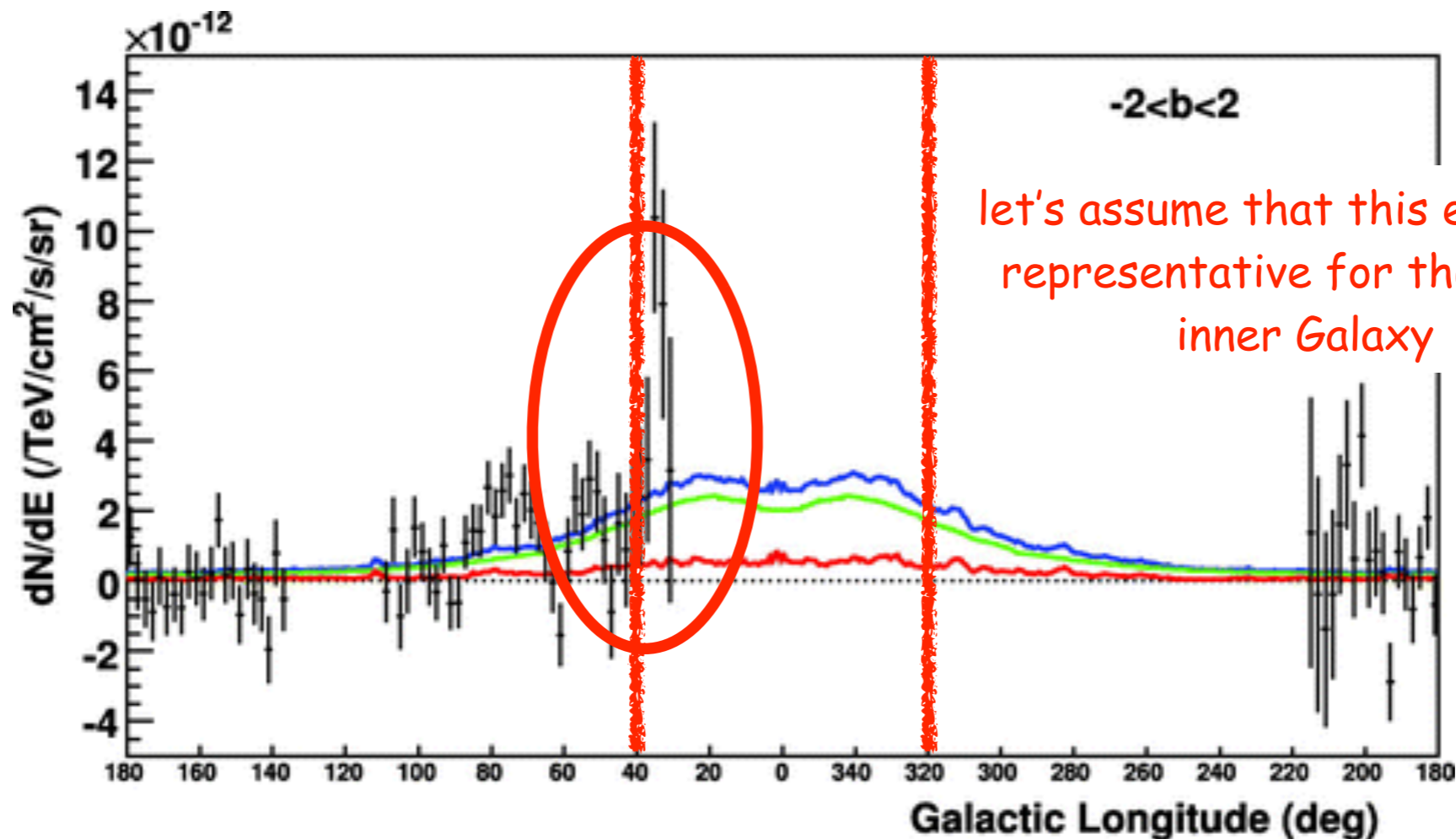
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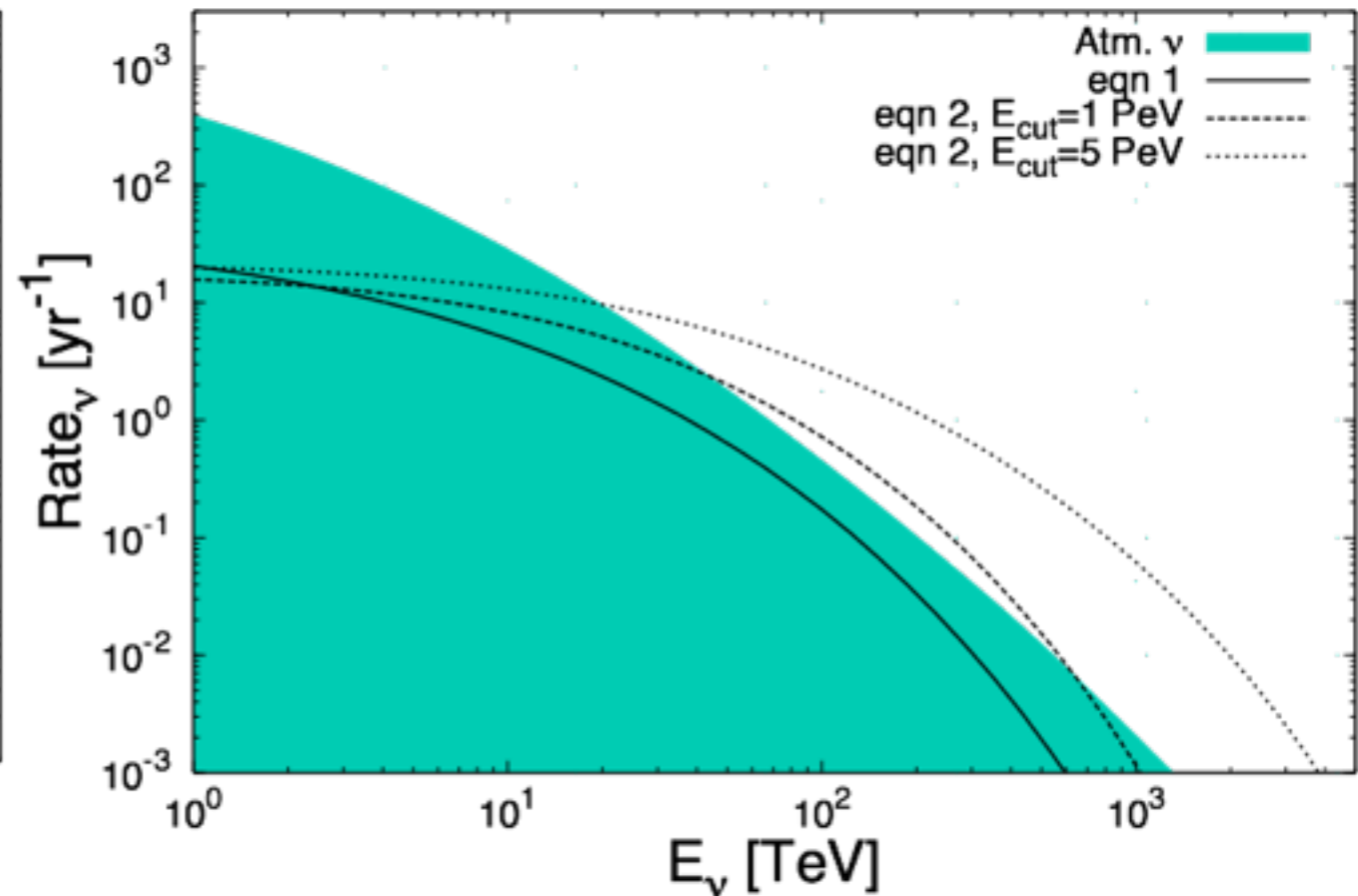
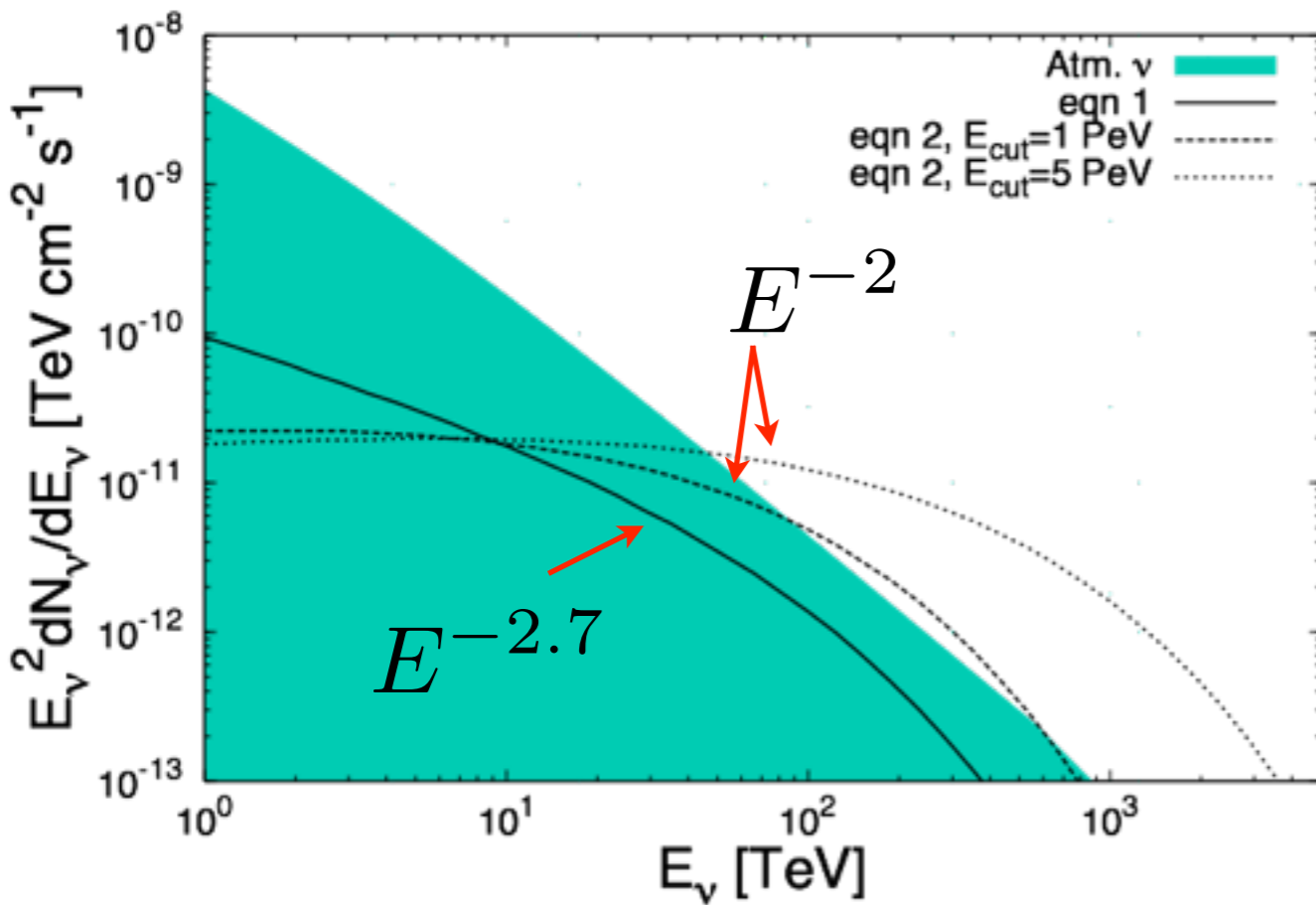


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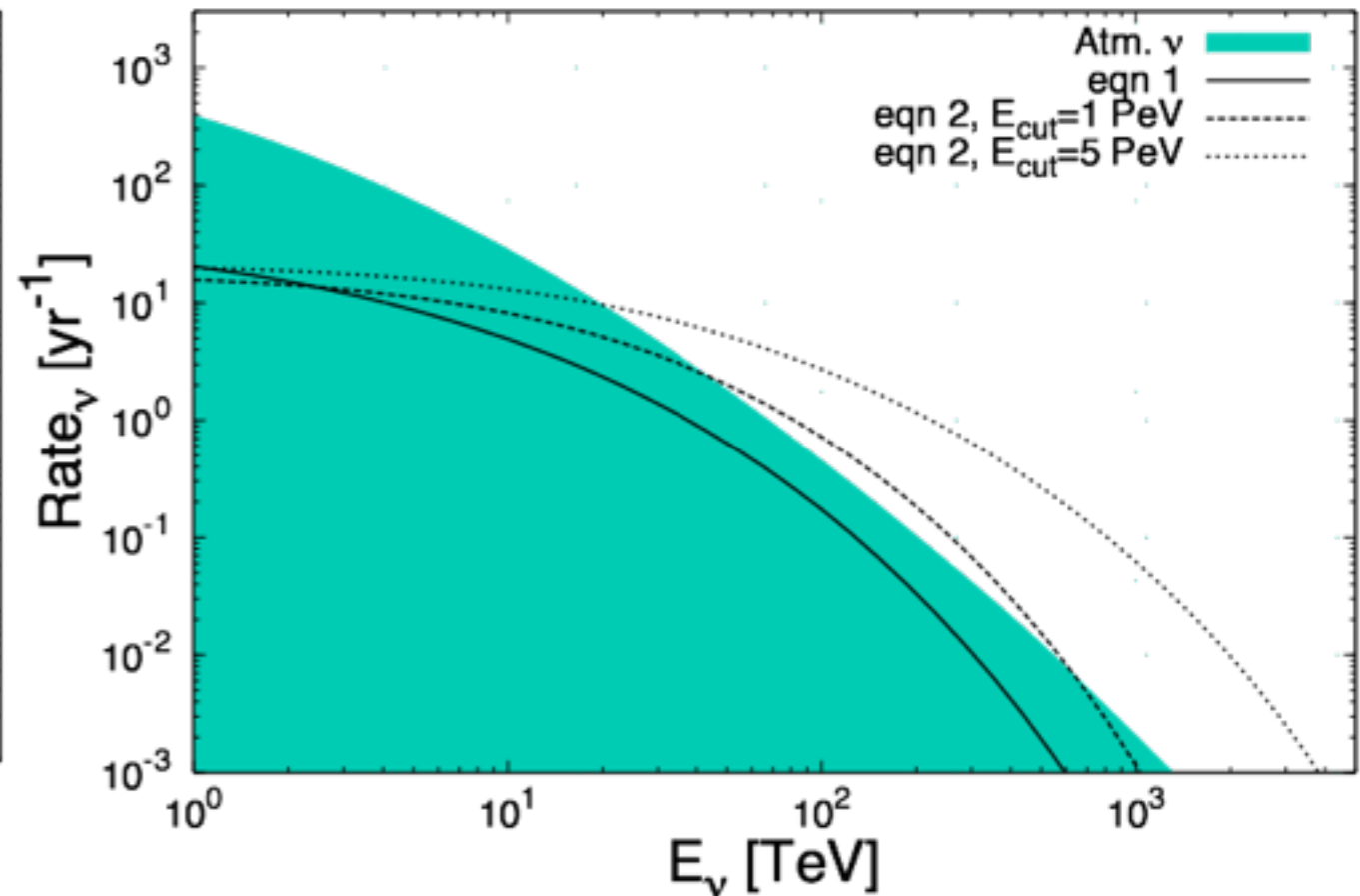
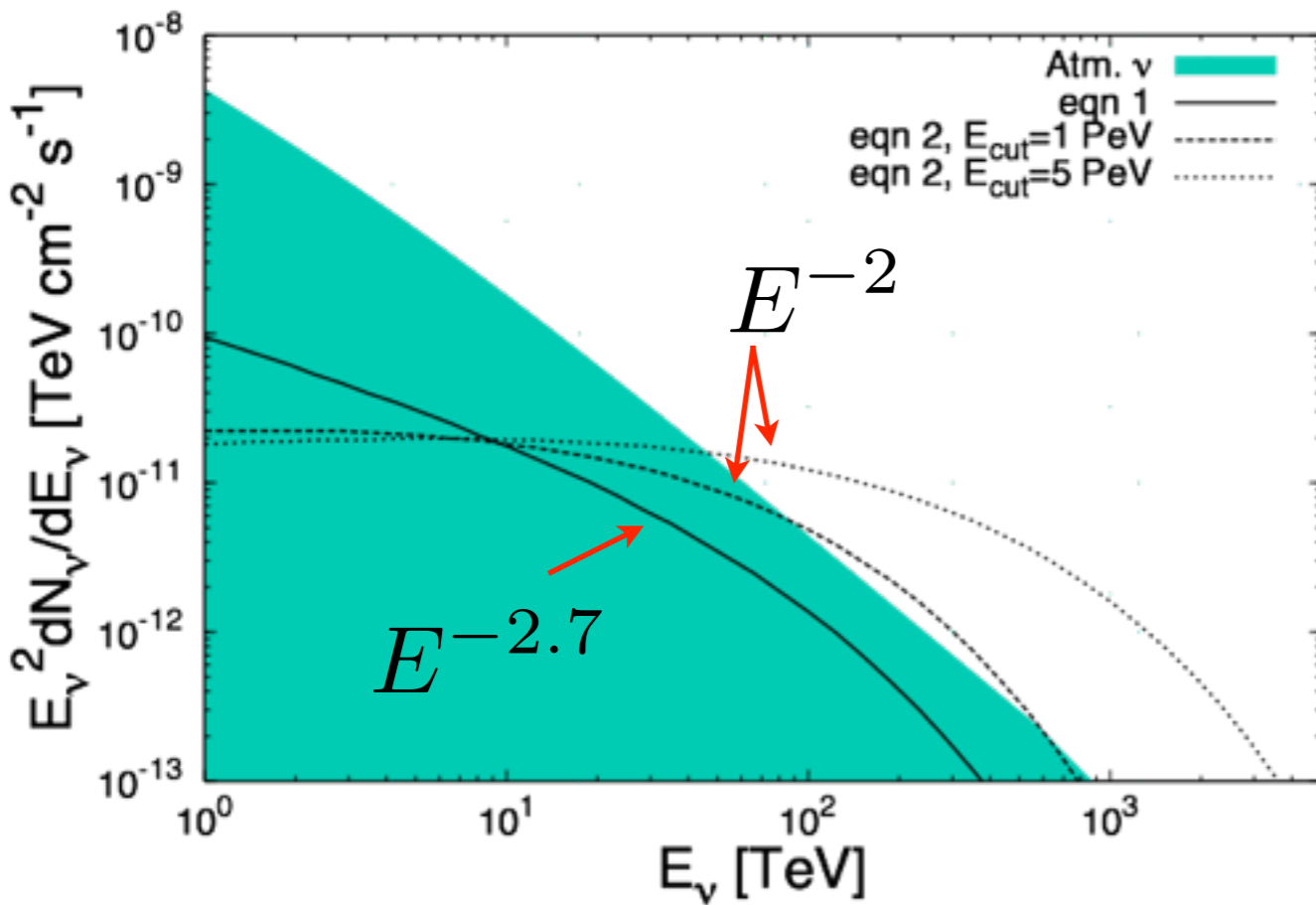




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10 neutrinos above 20 TeV (versus 10 background counts)

very similar fluxes obtained more recently (Neronov&Semikoz, DRAGON team...)

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- The link with neutrino astronomy