

# Understanding Cosmic Ray propagation in the Galaxy

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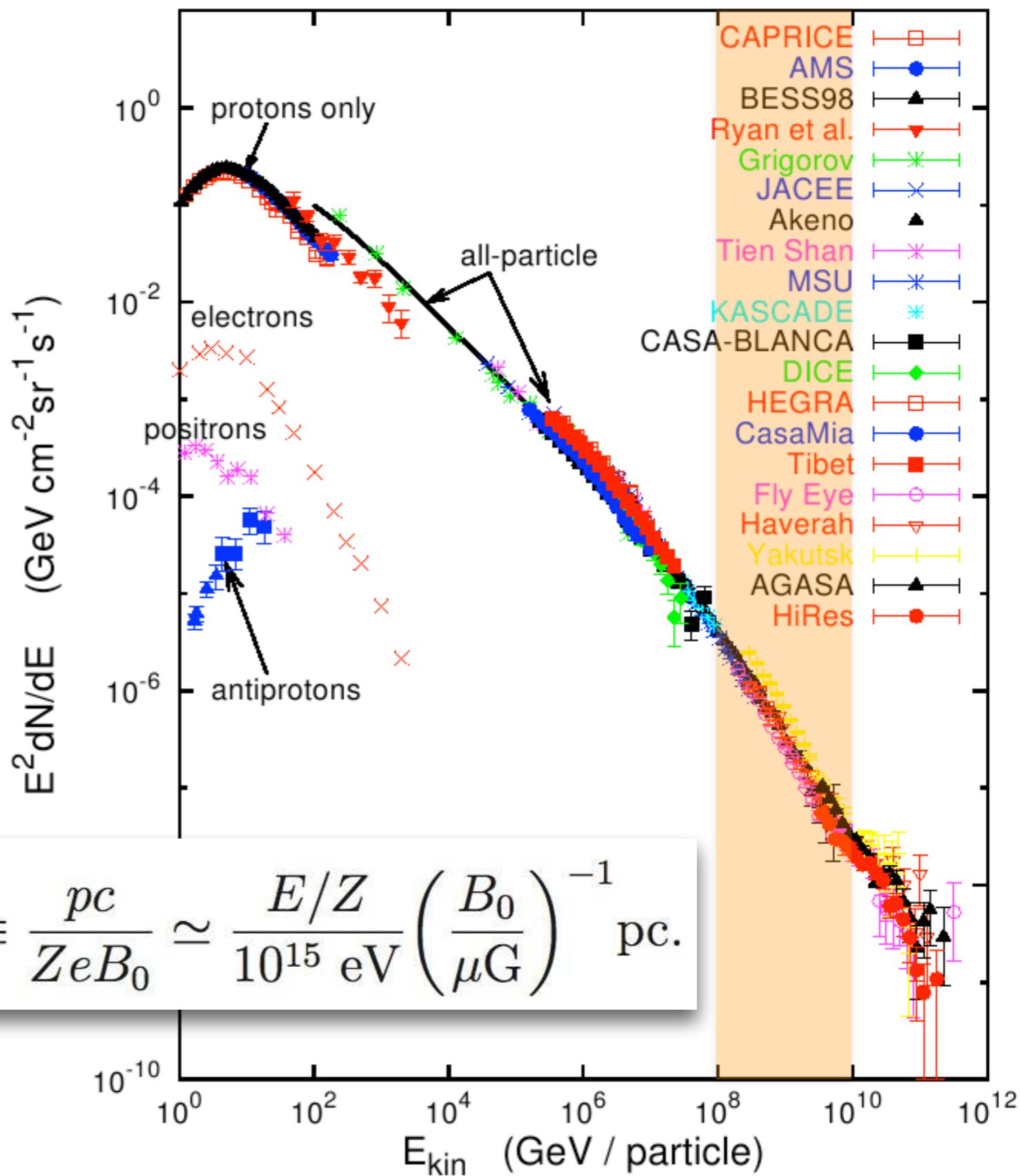


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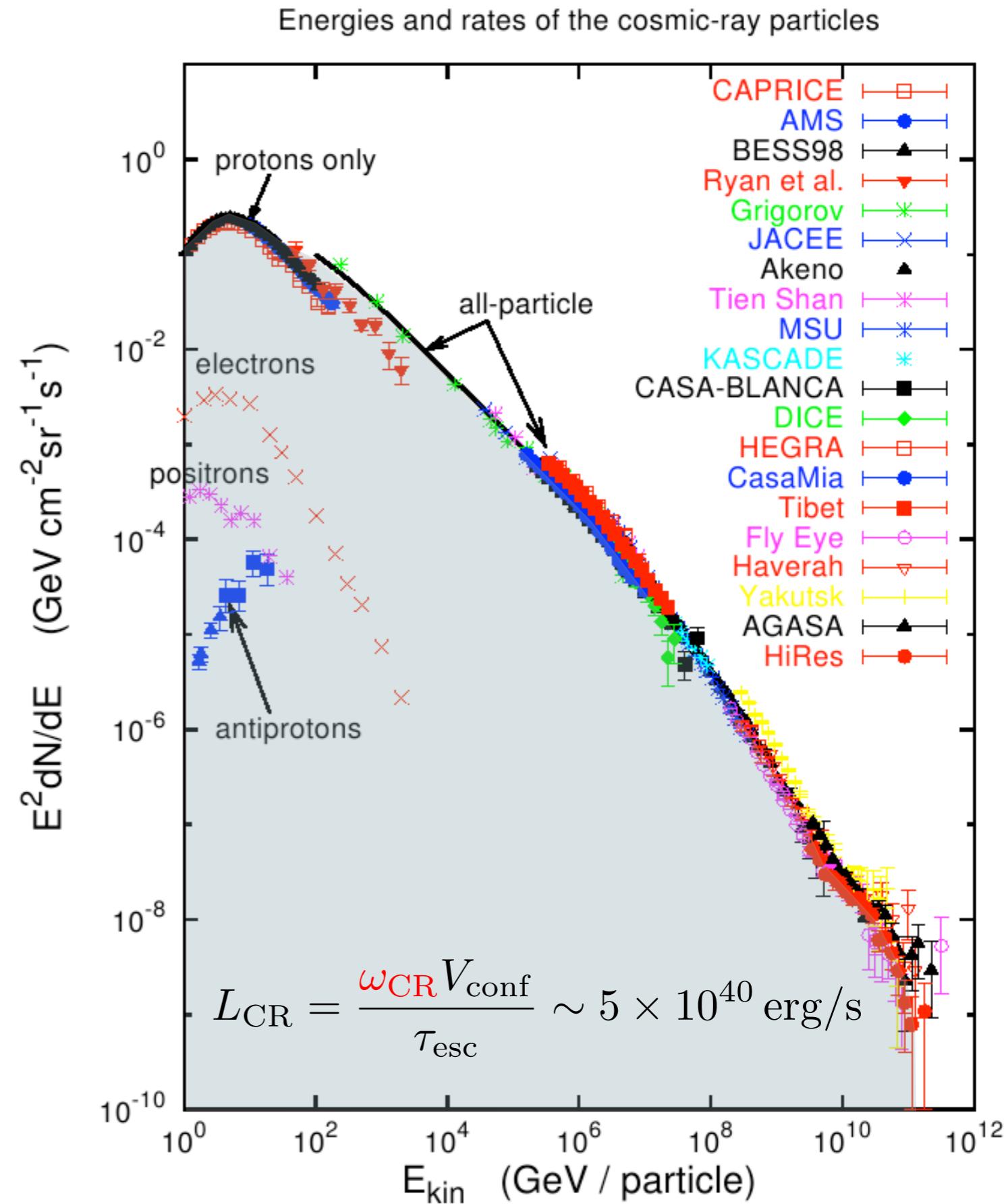
Energies and rates of the cosmic-ray particles



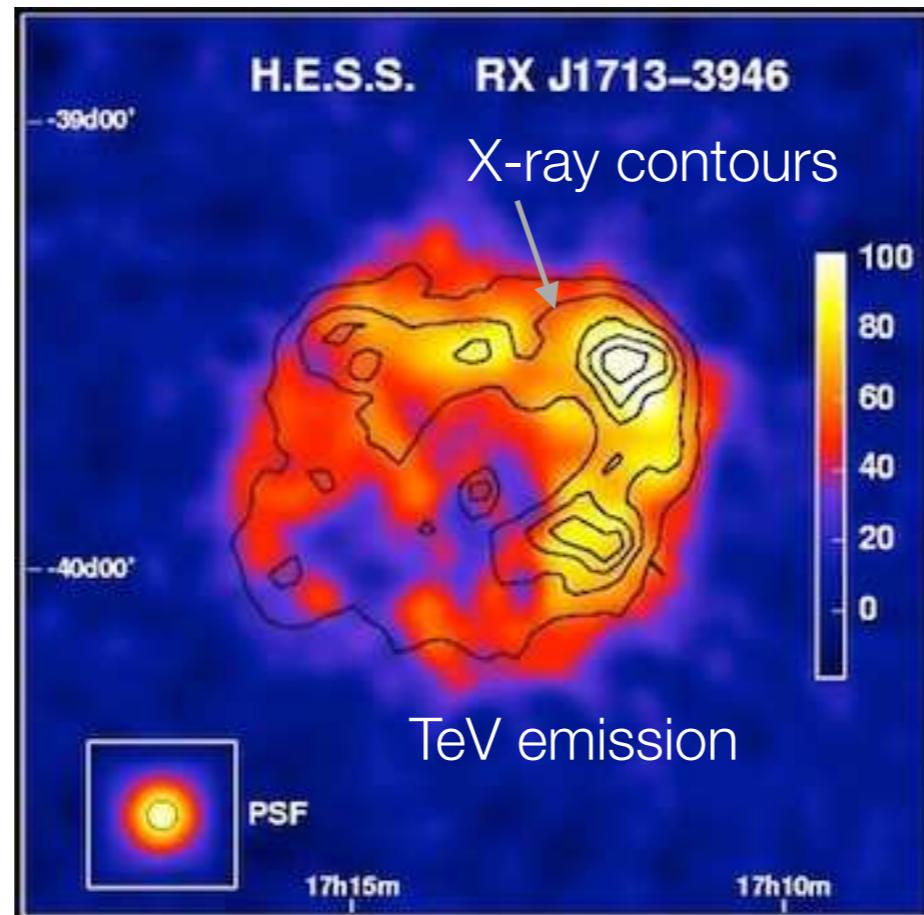
$$r_L \equiv \frac{pc}{ZeB_0} \approx \frac{E/Z}{10^{15} \text{ eV}} \left( \frac{B_0}{\mu\text{G}} \right)^{-1} \text{ pc.}$$

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- Energy density in equipartition with starlight, turbulent gas motions and magnetic fields.



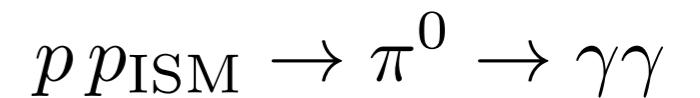
# The “SN paradigm”



Aharonian et al., Nature, 2007

$$L_{\text{SN}} \sim R_{\text{SN}} E_{\text{kin}} \sim 3 \times 10^{41} \text{ erg/s}$$

hadronic:



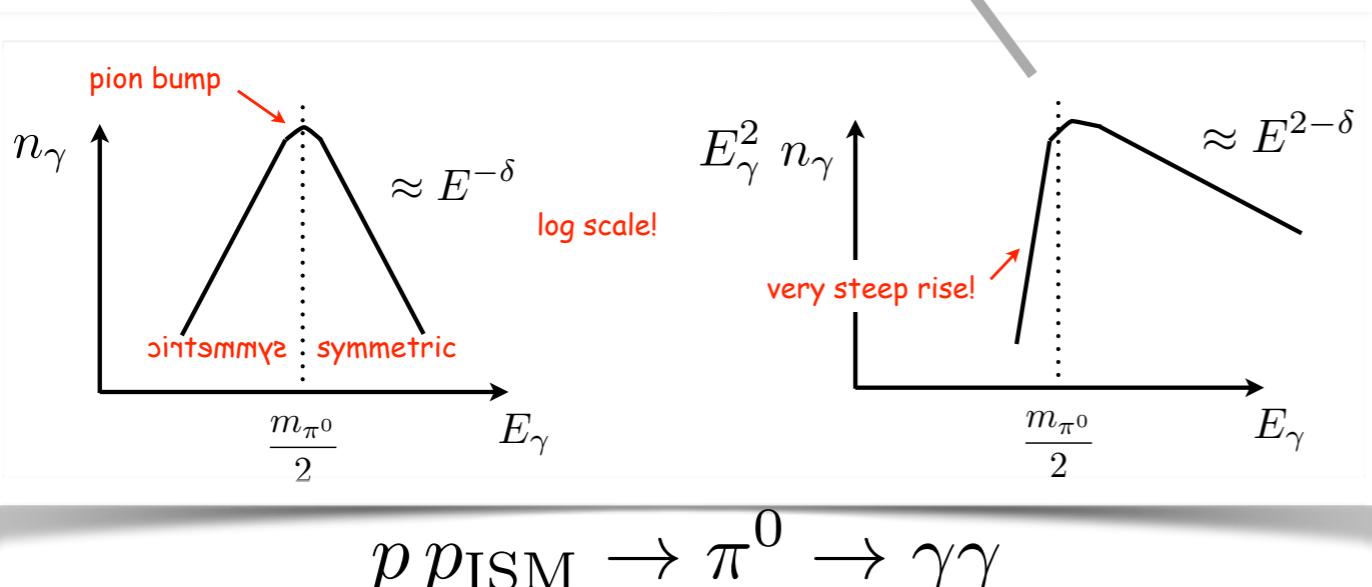
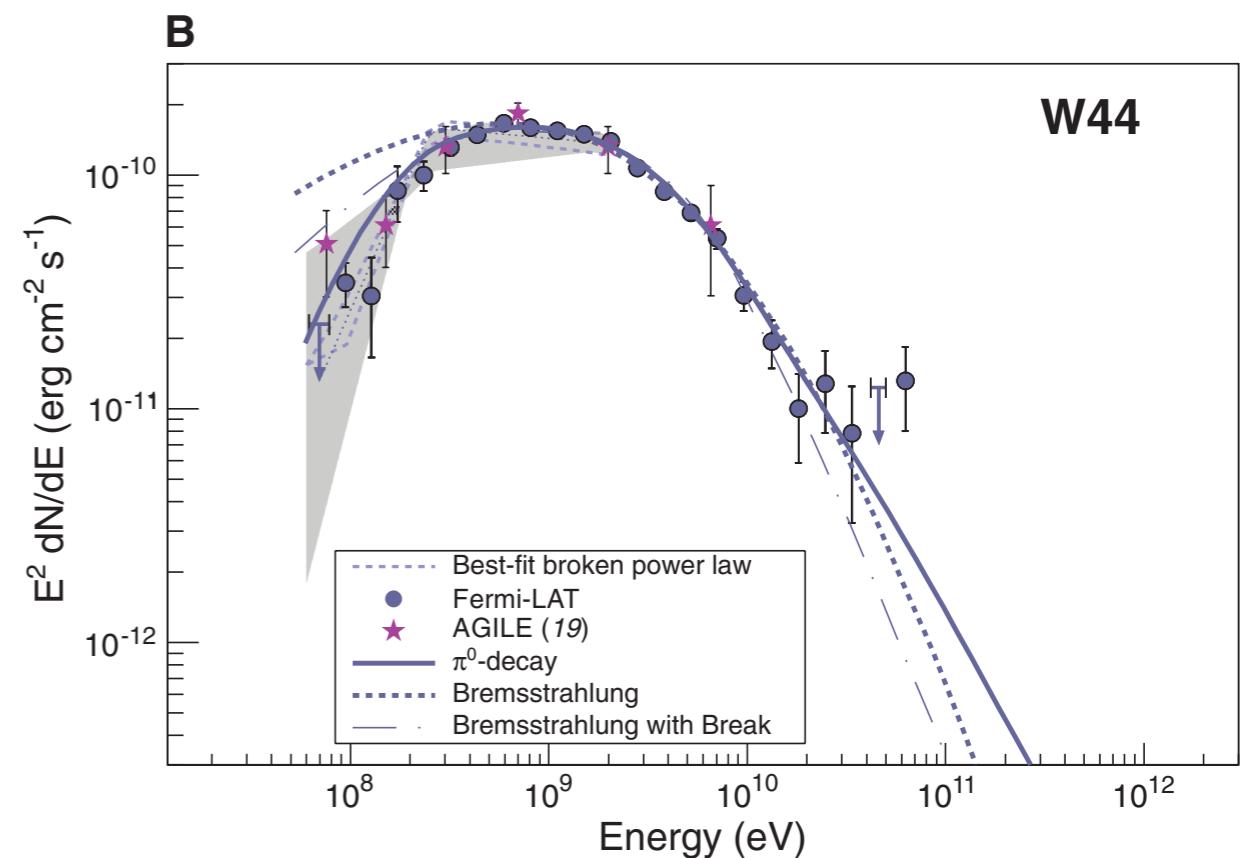
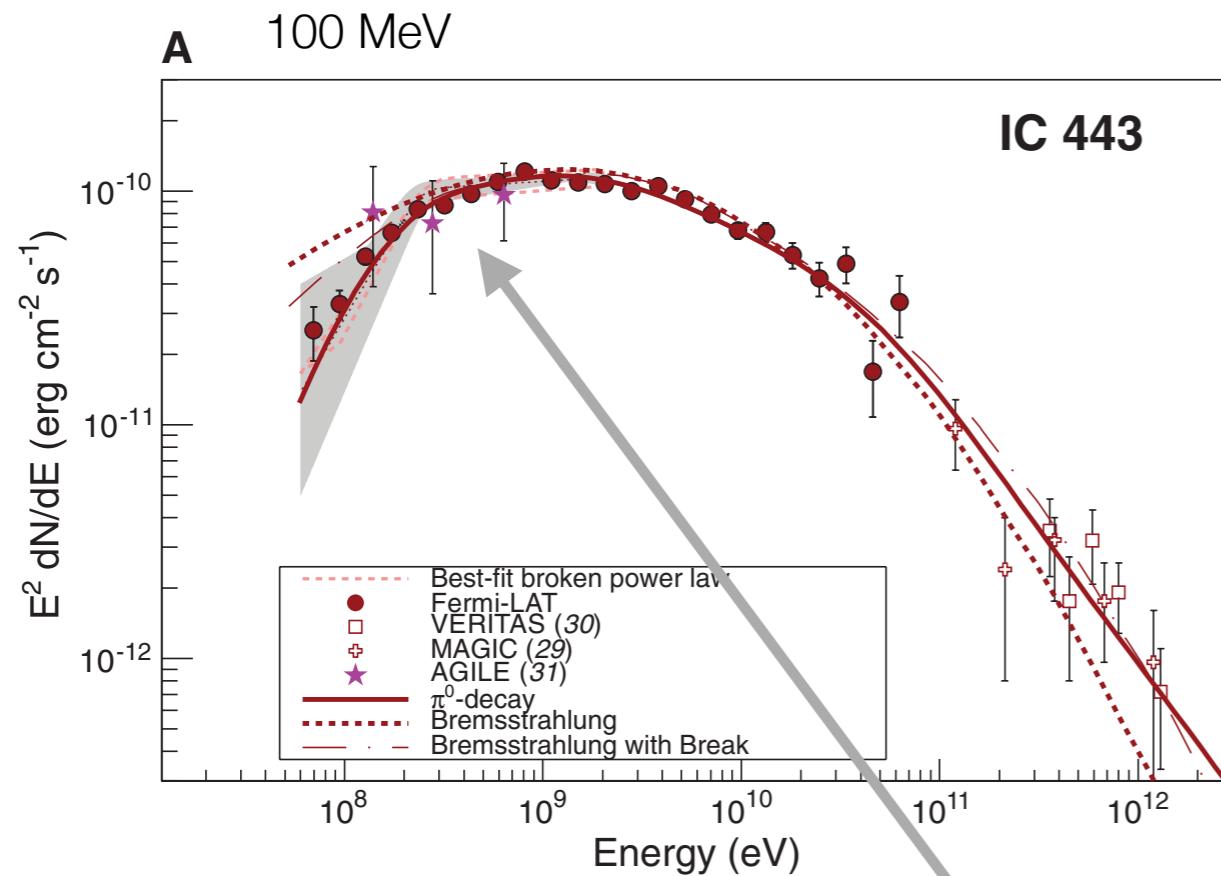
or leptonic:



Baade W, Zwicky F, Phys Rev (1934)

# The pion-bump as hadronic signature

FERMI collaboration, Science, 2013



but...

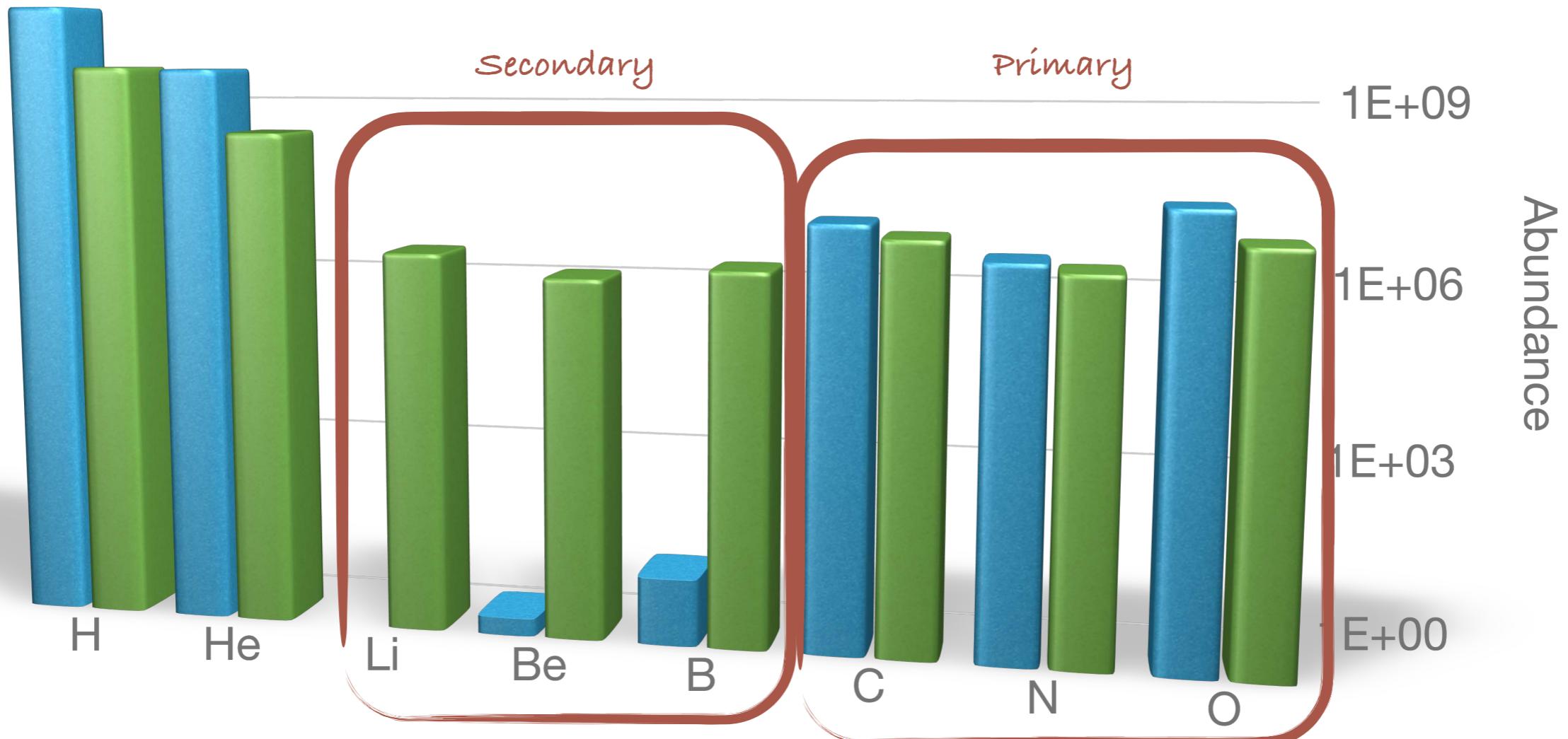
Do SNRs accelerate ENOUGH protons?

Do they accelerate protons up to the *knee*?

see also Tavani et al., 2010, *Astrophys J Lett* 710

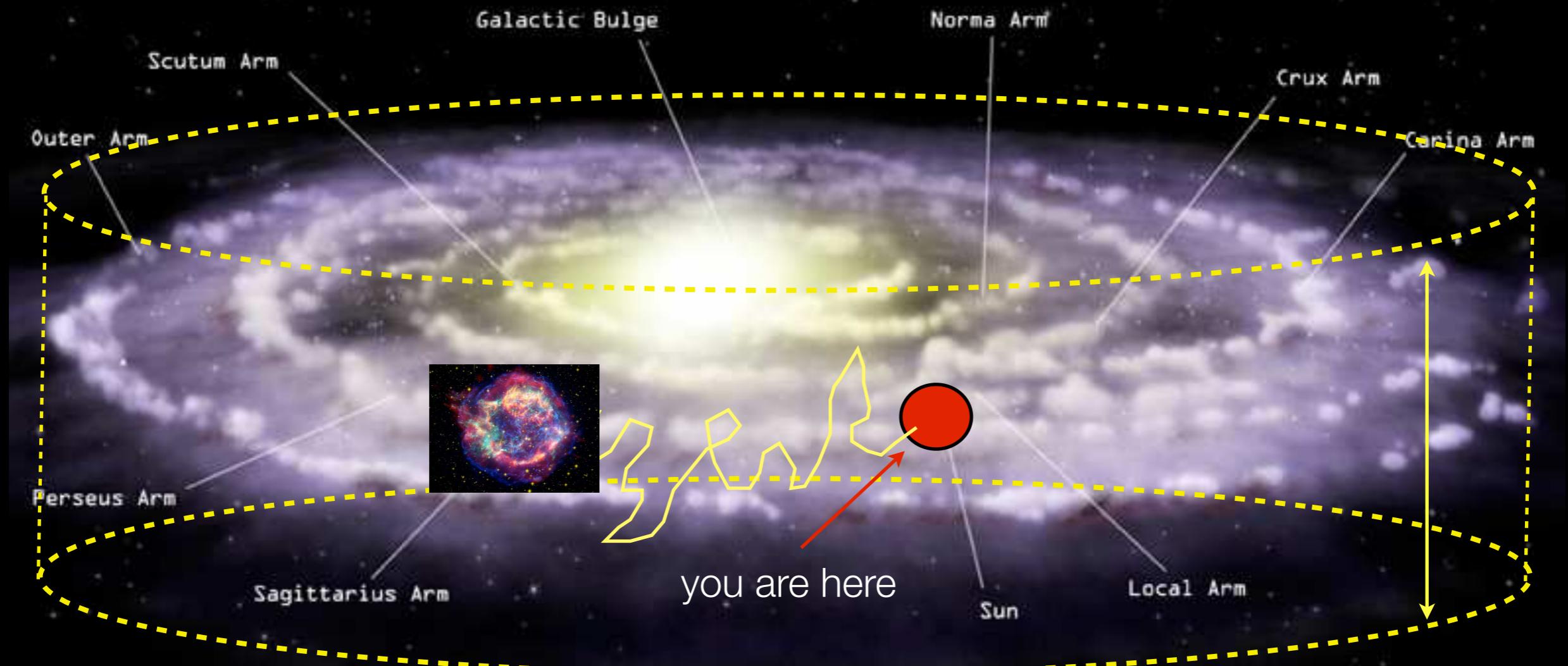
# Cosmic-ray composition

Solar System      Cosmic Rays



$$c\tau_{\text{esc}} = \frac{X(E)}{\bar{n}_{\text{ISM}} \mu} \sim 10^3 \text{ kpc} \quad \gg \text{Galaxy size!}$$

# Galactic Propagation



$L = 1-10 \text{ kpc}$

# CR Diffusion in the MW

The diffusion equation:

$$\frac{\partial N^i}{\partial t} - \nabla \cdot (D \nabla - v_c) N^i + \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \left( \dot{p} - \frac{p}{3} \nabla \cdot v_c \right) N^i - \frac{\partial}{\partial p} p^2 D_{pp} \frac{\partial N^i}{\partial p p^2} = Q^i(p, r, z) + \sum_{j>i} c \beta n_{gas}(r, z) \sigma_{ij} N^j - c \beta n_{gas} \sigma_{in}(E_k) N^i$$

Source term:

- ▶ assumed to trace the SNR in the Galaxy
- ▶ assumed the same power-law everywhere

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Spallation cross-section:

- ▶ appearance of nucleus i due to spallation of nucleus j
- ▶ total inelastic cross-section: disappearance of nucleus i

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Diffusion tensor:

- $D(E) = D_0 (\rho / \rho_0)^\delta \exp(z/z_t)$

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Energy losses:

- ▶ ionization, Coulomb, synchrotron
- ▶ adiabatic convection

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Reacceleration:

$$D_{pp} \propto \frac{p^2 v_A^2}{D}$$

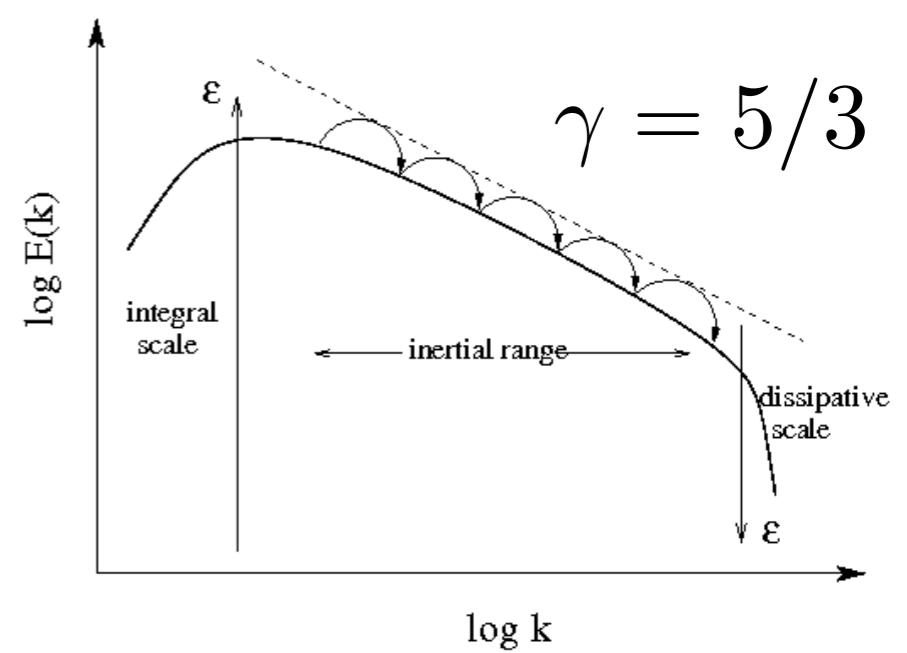
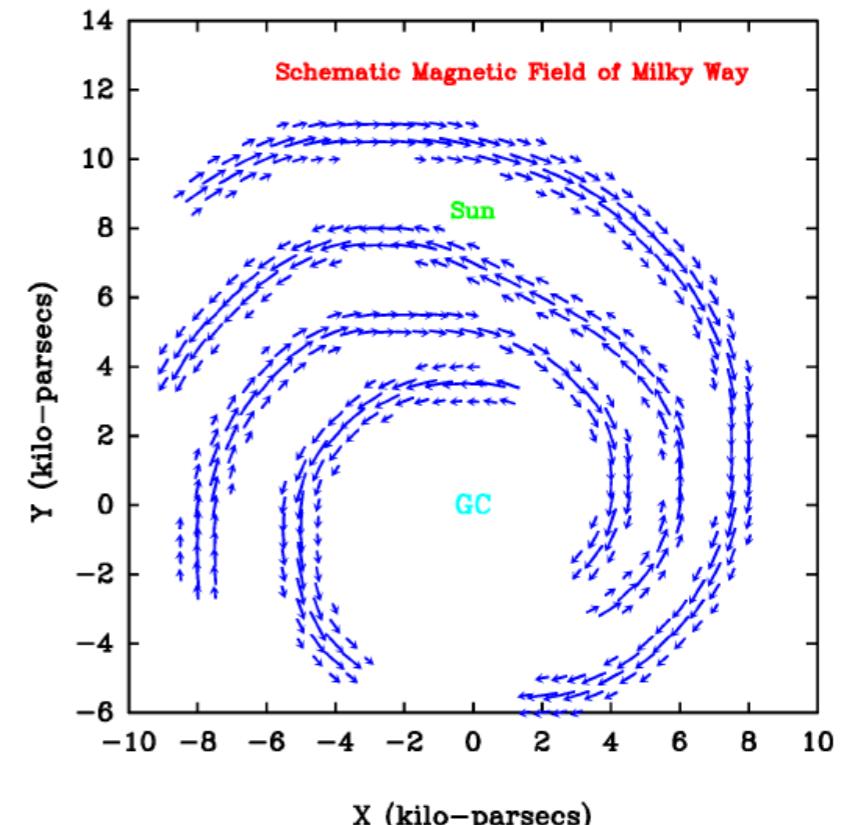
# CR diffusion for the “poor physicist”

## Assumptions:

- GCR diffuse in the ISM turbulent magnetic field
- The turbulent field can be modeled with a Kolmogorov isotropic power-spectrum
- The turbulent field amplitude is a small fluctuation with respect to the regular component
- Resonant interaction wave-particle

## It follows:

$$D = D_0 \rho^\delta \quad \text{where} \quad \delta = 2 - \gamma = 1/3$$



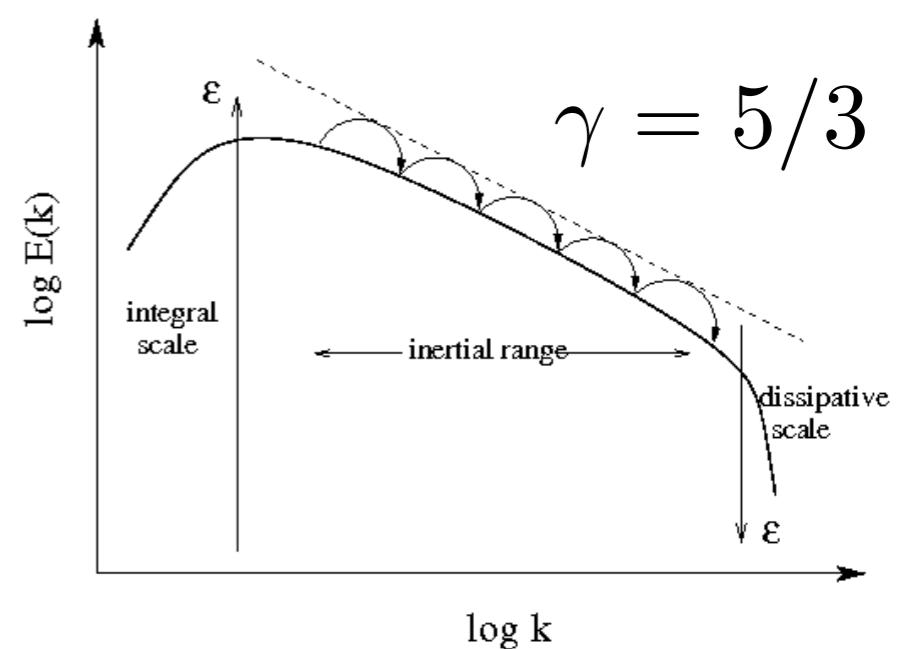
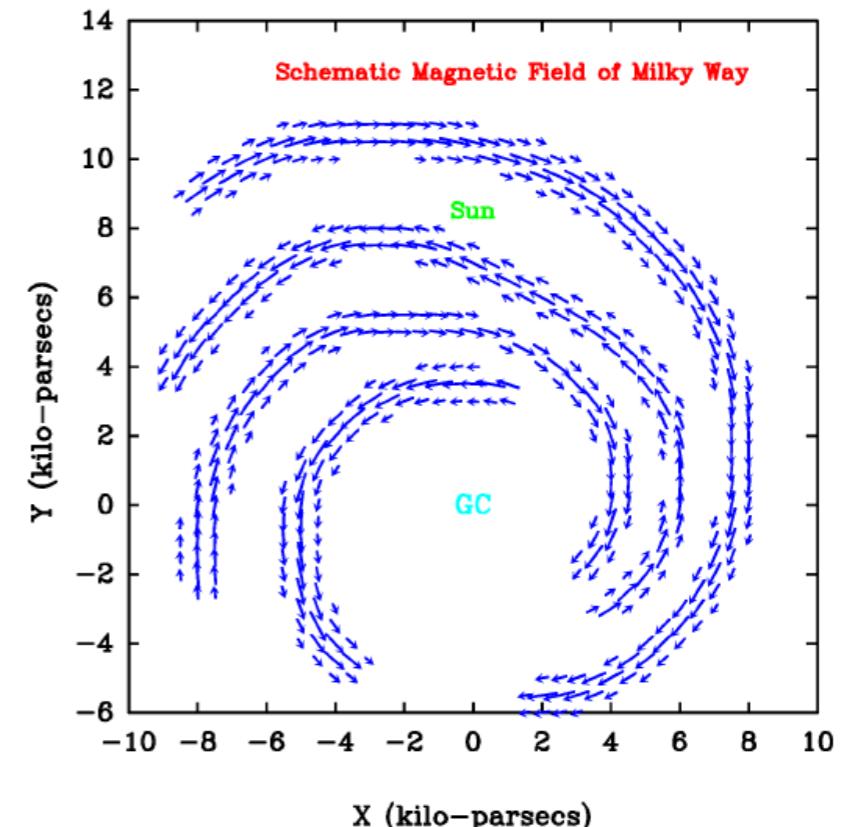
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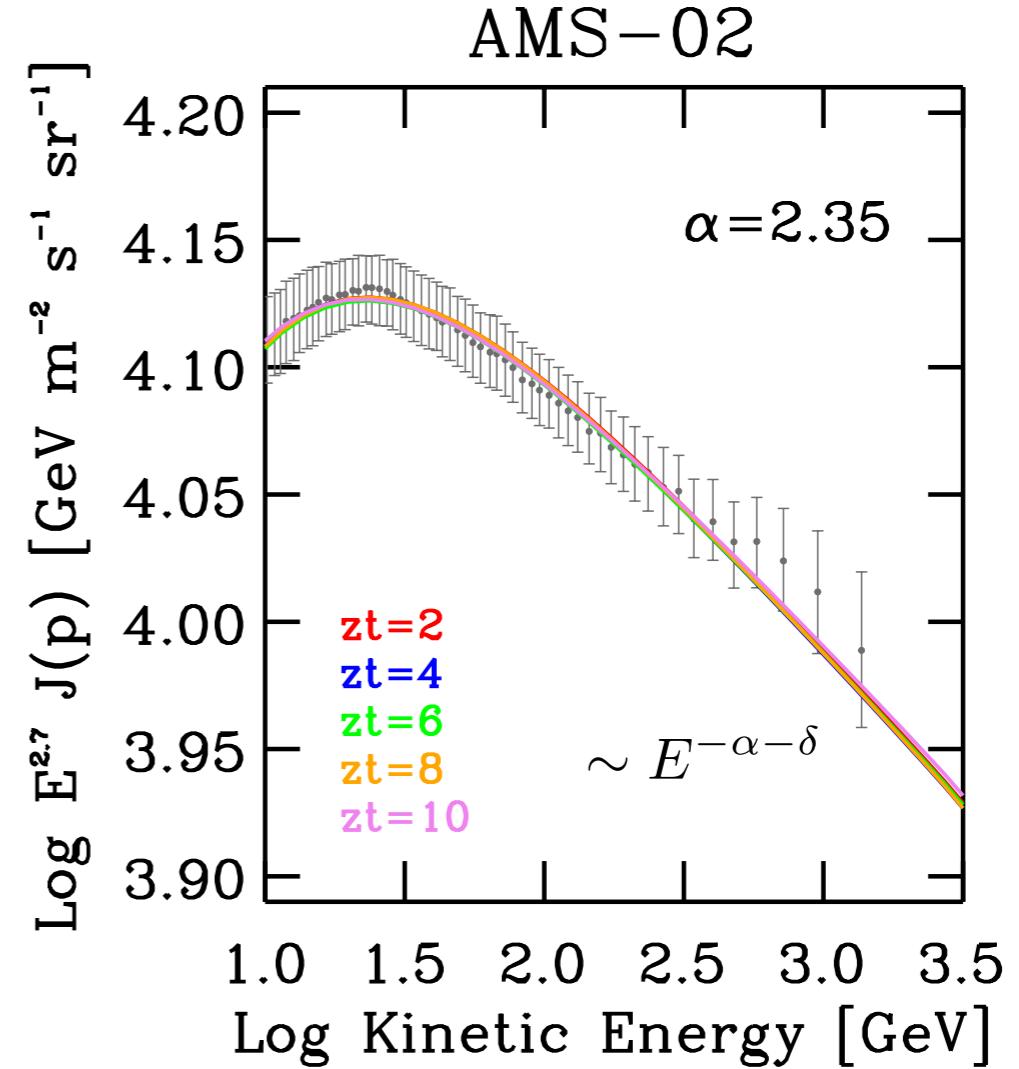
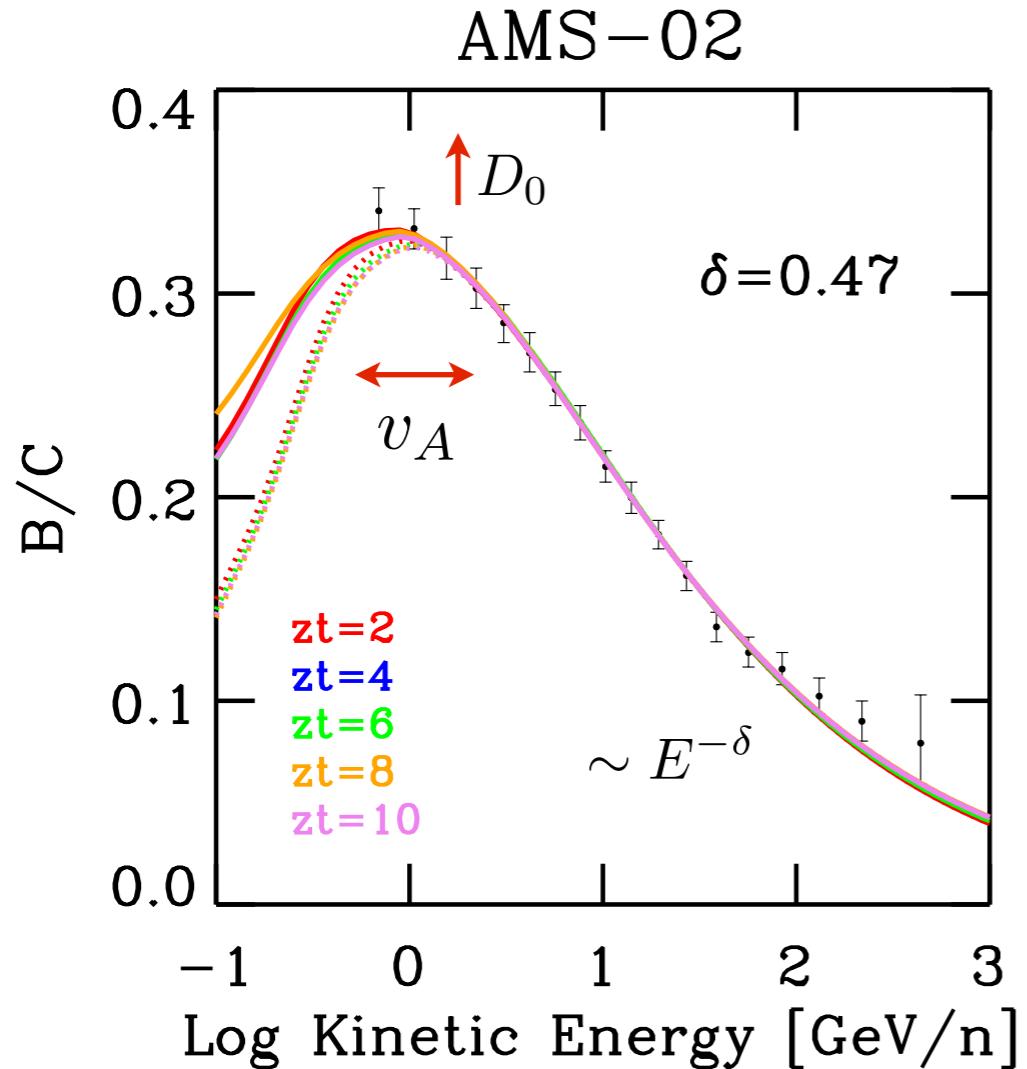
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see Wentzel, 1974; Cesarsky 1980; Blasi, Amato & Serpico, 2012
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see GS95, Cho & Lazarian, PRL, 2002
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see Planck intermediate results. XIX. (A&A sub.)
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see Yan & Lazarian, 2002; Tautz, Shalchi & Schlickeiser, 2008

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# Fitting local observables



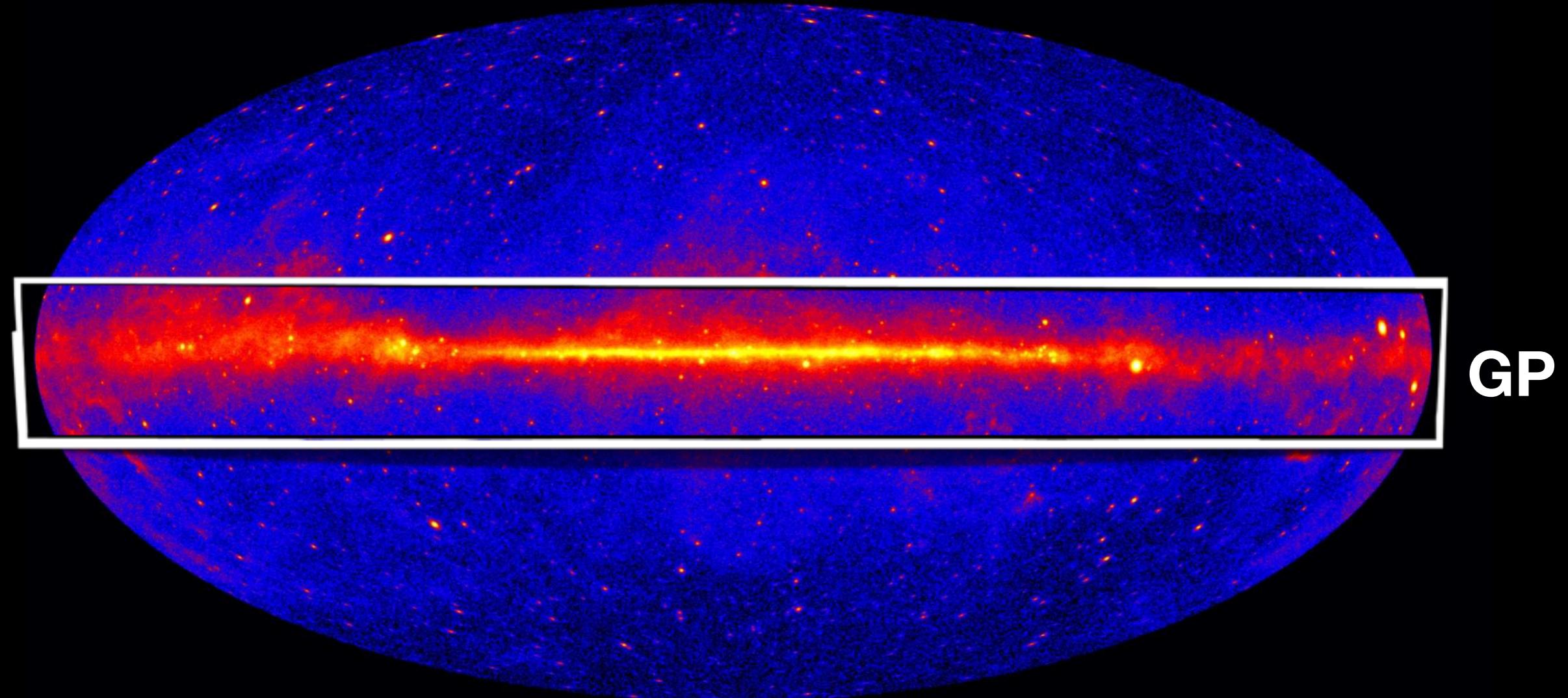
$$D(E) = D_0 (E/E_0)^\delta \exp(z/z_t)$$

The best constraints on the halo scale height ( $z_t > 2$  kpc) are obtained from the galactic diffuse synchrotron emission (G.Di Bernardo, CE, et al., JCAP, 2013)



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The gamma-ray sky in 2016 (for the future see Luca Latronico's talk)



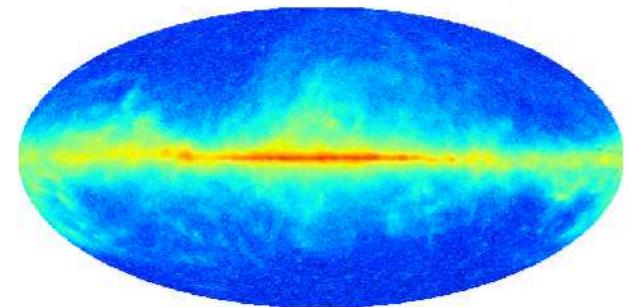
Fermi-LAT  $E > 100$  MeV by 3FGL  
*[LAT collaboration 2015]*

~ 70% of all observed photons coming from the diffuse Galactic emission

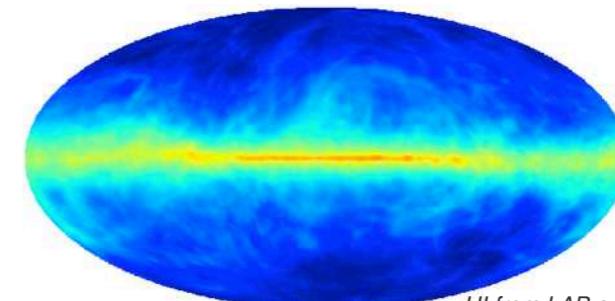
The extremely accurate gamma ray maps that FERMI is providing are useful to trace the CR distribution throughout all the Galaxy!

Most of the GP  $\gamma$  emission is the decay of  $\pi^0$  produced in CR/gas collisions

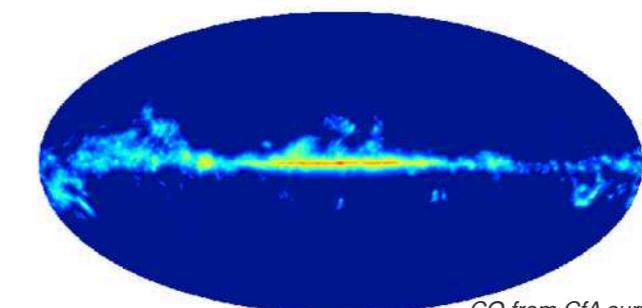
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$$= \int_{\text{los}} dl \ n_p(r) \times$$



$$+ n_p(r) \times X_{\text{CO}}(r) \times$$



H<sub>2</sub>

**MW Hydrogen** is ~75% in terms of mass fraction.

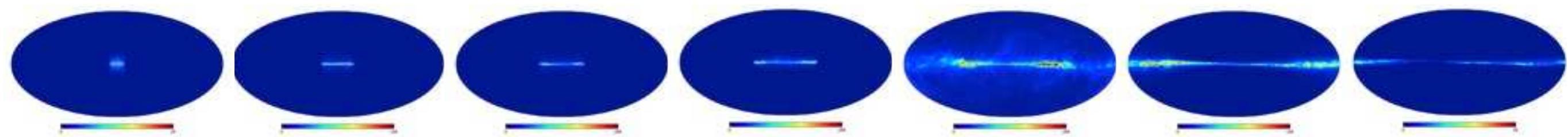
- **Atomic** (HI): The most massive phase with a large filling factor ( $h \sim 200$  pc).
- **Molecular** (H<sub>2</sub>): The densest phase, very clumpy ( $h \sim 100$  pc).
- **Ionized** (HII): Much smaller density and with the largest scale height ( $h \sim 1$  kpc).

# Template analysis for the GDE

$$\Phi_\gamma = \sum_i g_{\text{HI}}^i N_{\text{HI}}(r_i) + \sum_i g_{\text{CO}}^i W_{\text{CO}}(r_i) + \sum_i g_{\text{IC}}^i I_{\text{IC}}(r_i) + I_{\text{iso}}$$

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from a propagation one-zone model      free parameters

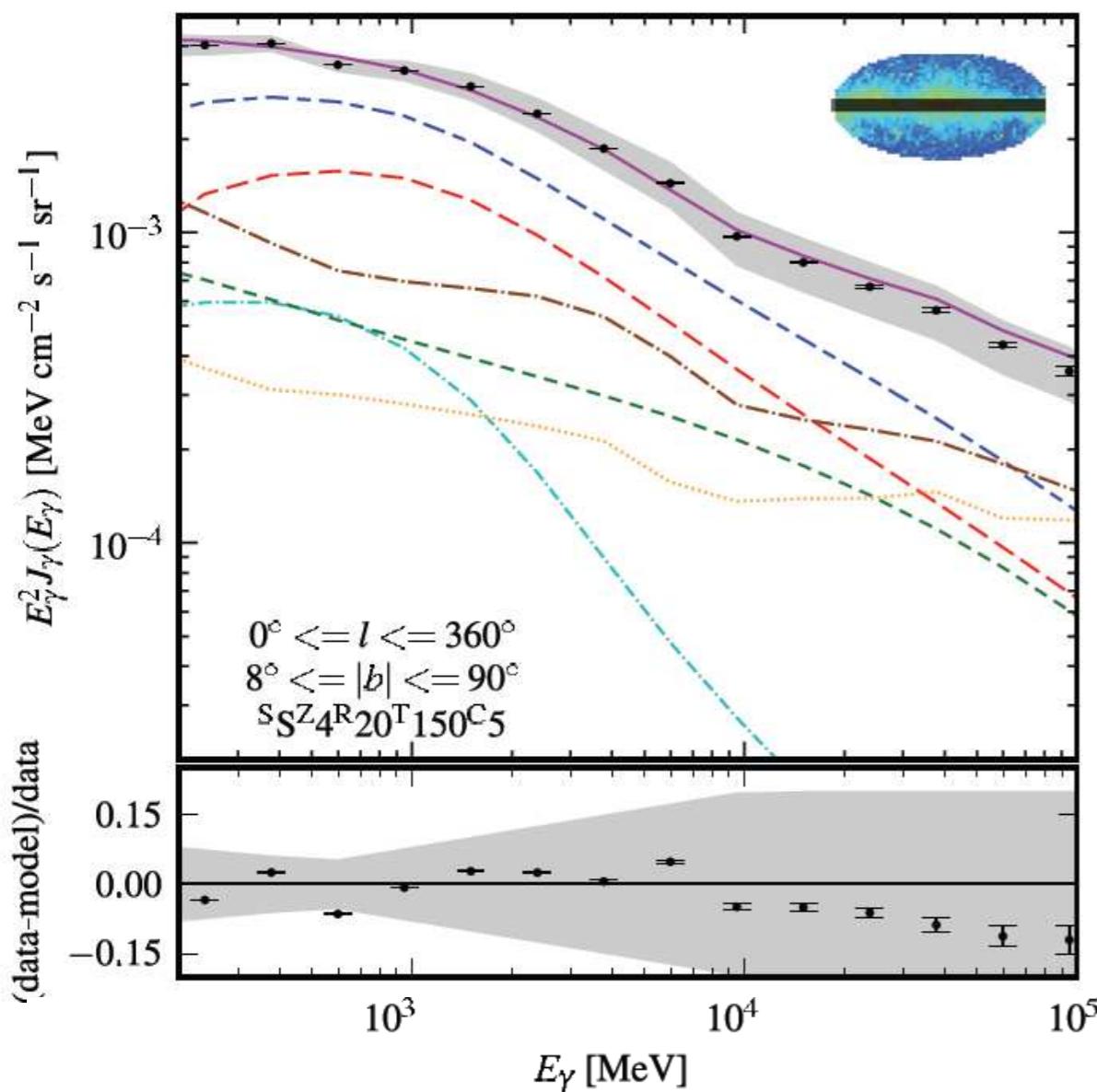


Galactocentric HI rings

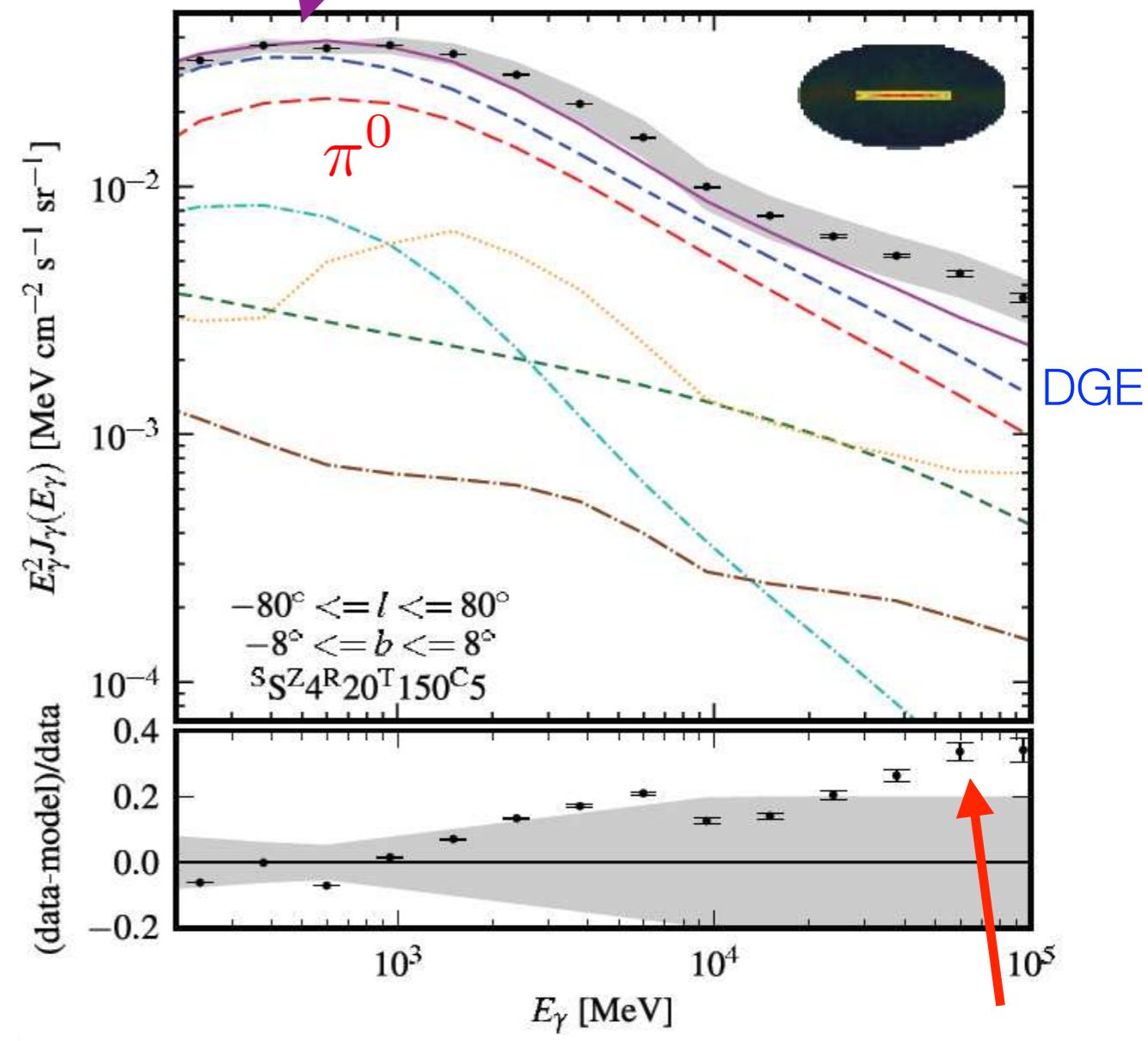
# FERMI galactic diffuse emission

FERMI reference model  
for the galactic emission

full sky, without the GP



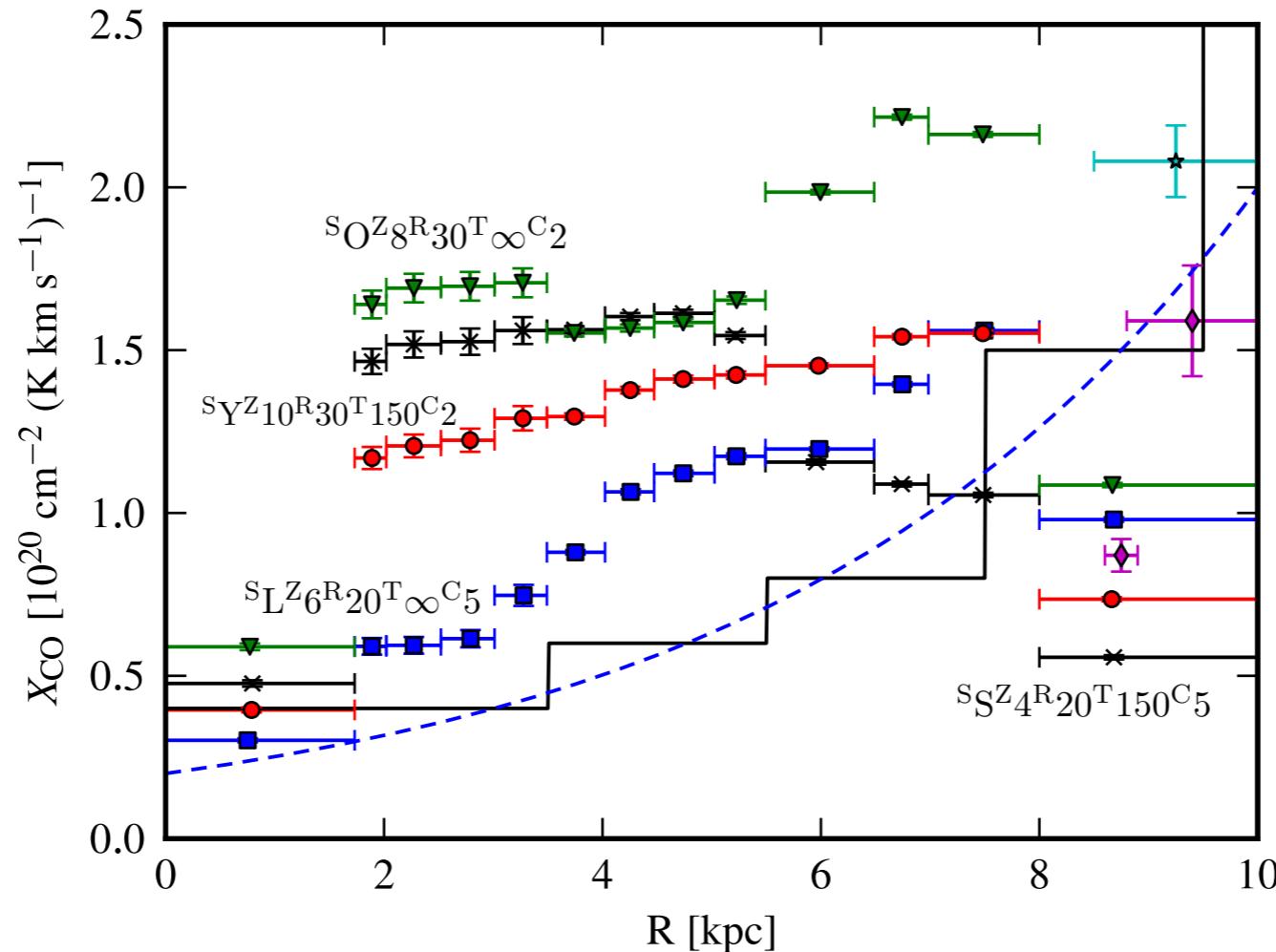
inner GP



@100 GeV

# What do we learn about galactic CR?

see Olaf Reimer's talk at TeVPA2015



- standard CR propagation/interaction models adequate for local measurements
- diffuse emissions are reproduced at the expenses of consistent physics (i.e., normalisations “here & then”)
- FERMI DGE became “a point-source analysis model”!

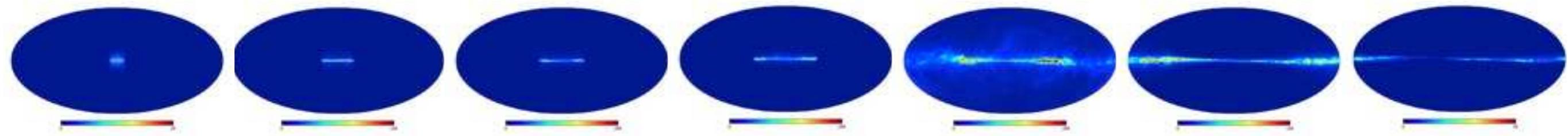
# Model *independent* template analysis

Fermi Collaboration, ApJ, 2011

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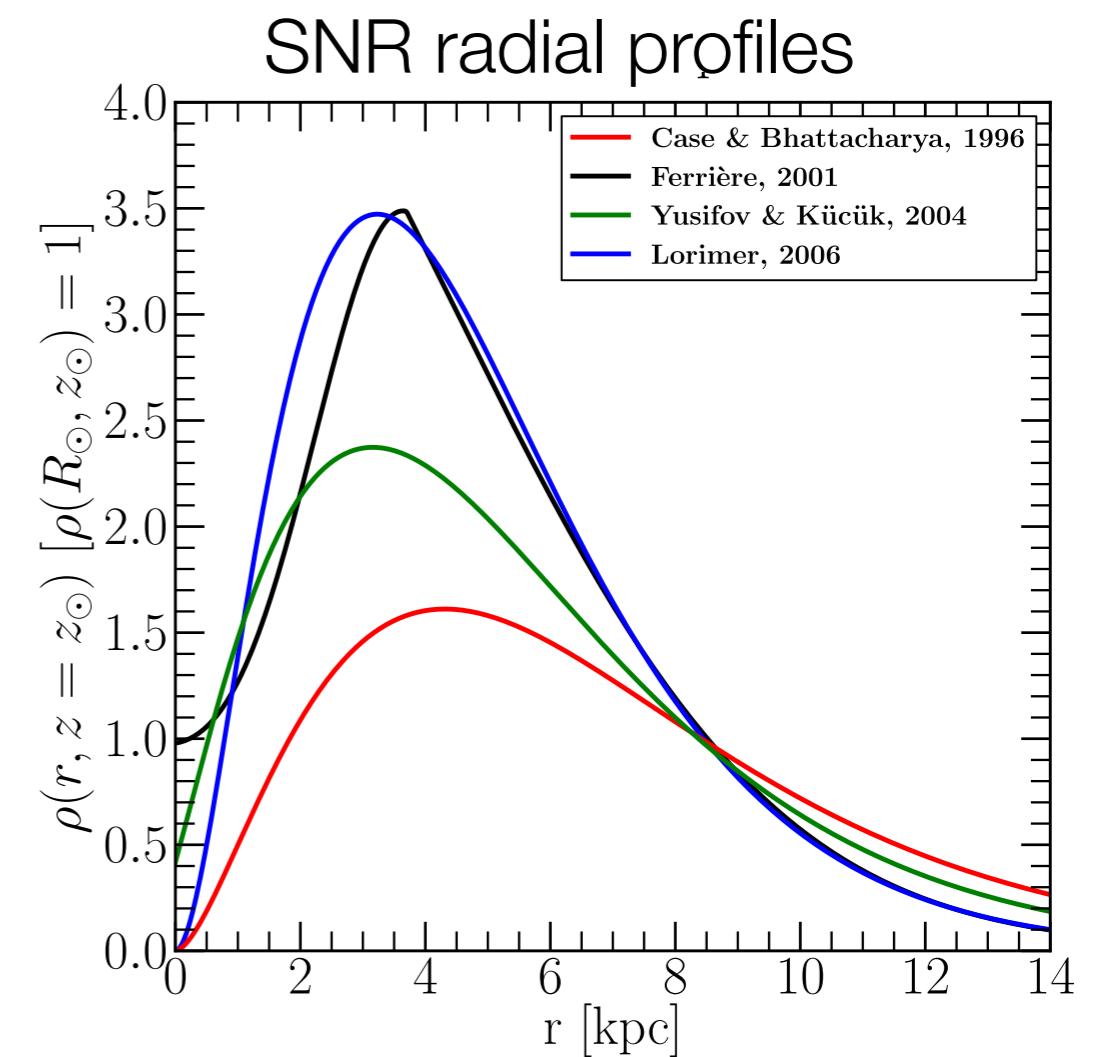
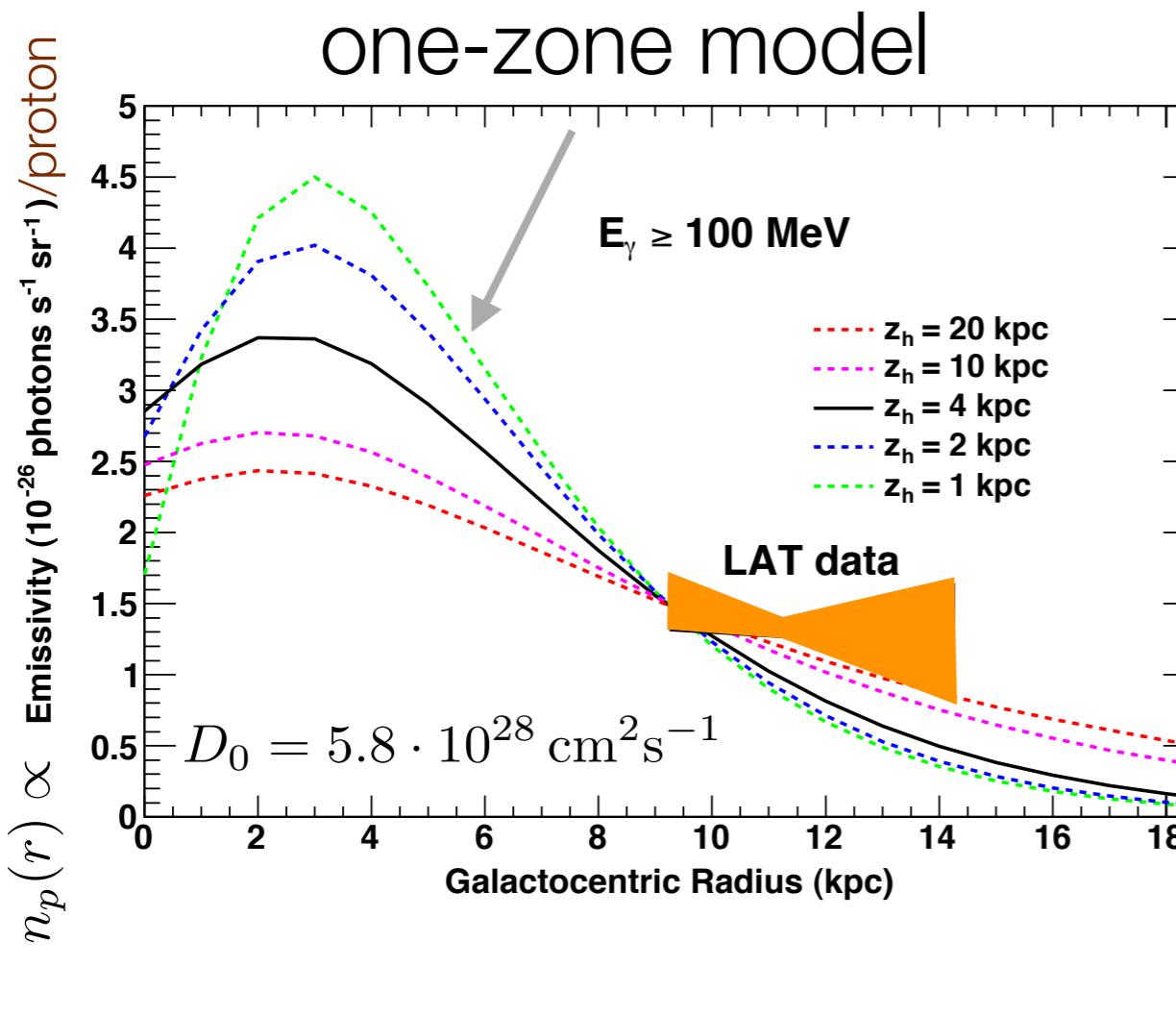
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# The *gradient* problem in the FERMI sky

Fermi Collaboration, ApJ, 2011



Results: FERMI detected **more**  $\gamma$ 's than predicted based on sources following SNR distribution and one-zone model for diffusion.

Disclaimer: let me skip some subtle details given the broad audience, more in the discussion session.

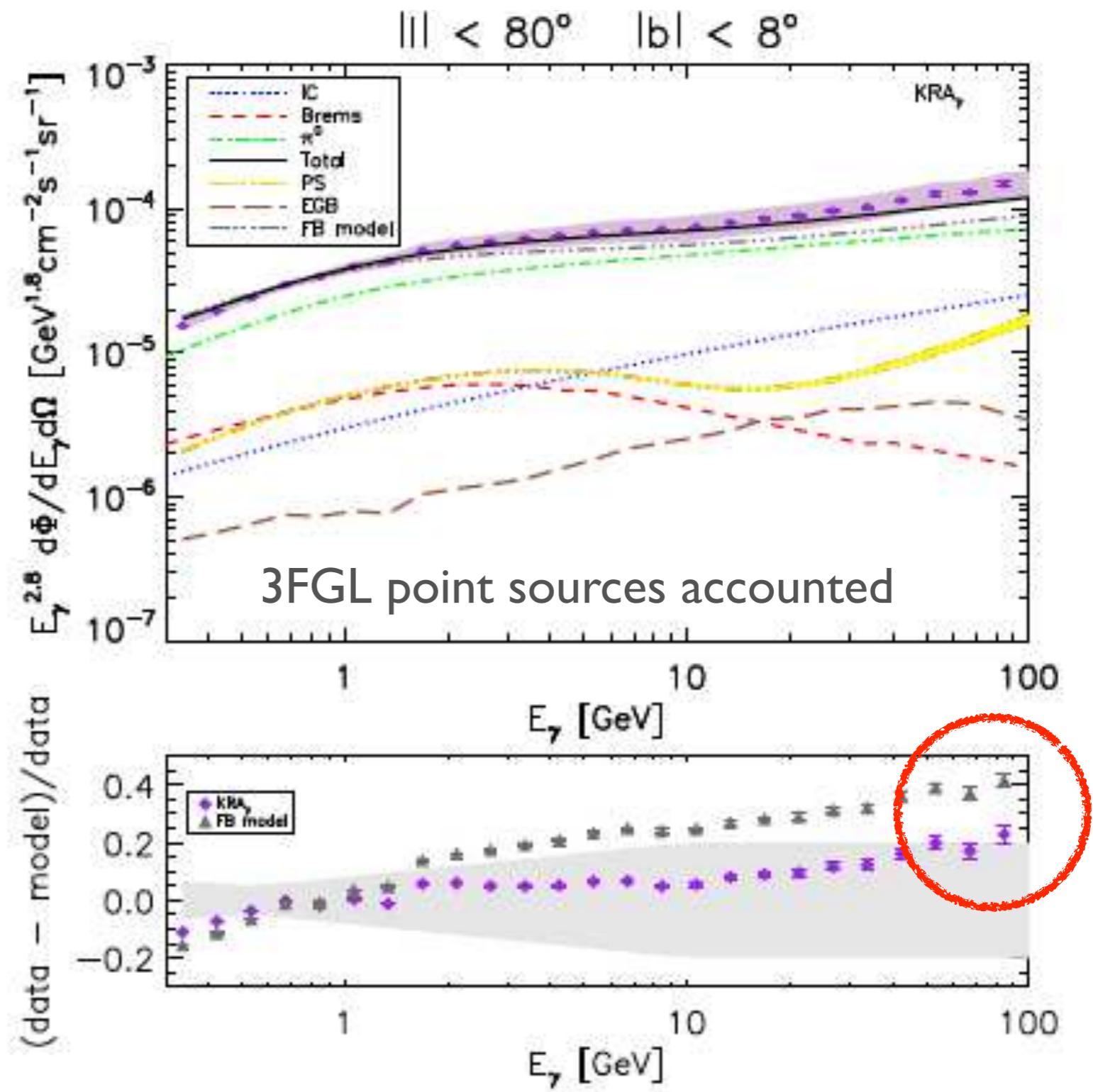
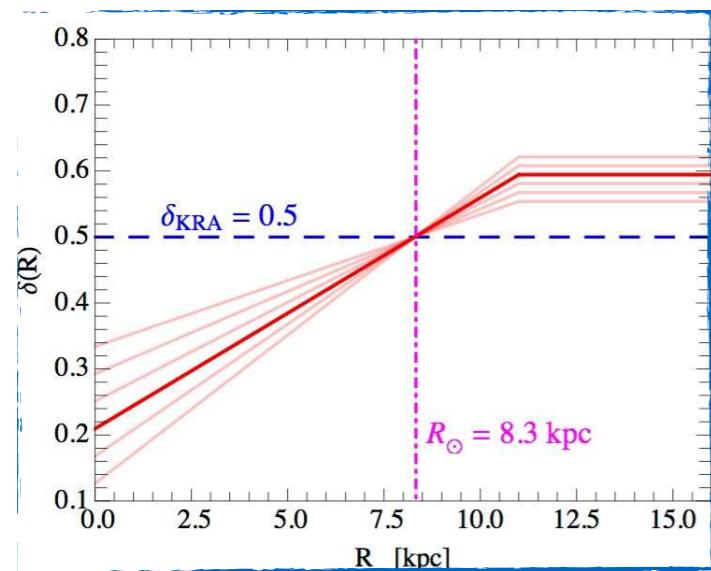
# A new view on diffuse galactic modelling

D. Gaggero et al., PRD, 91 (2015)

how to change my propagation model to reproduce  $\gamma$  data?

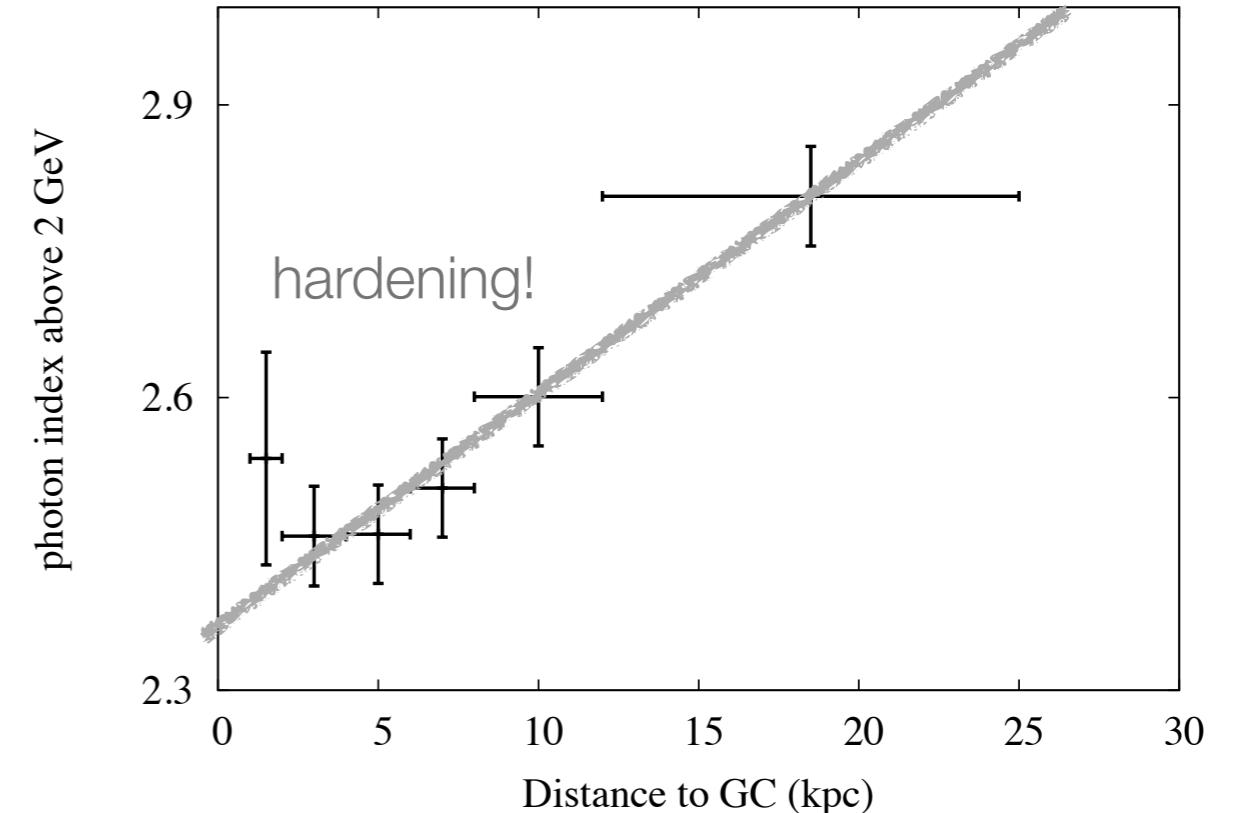
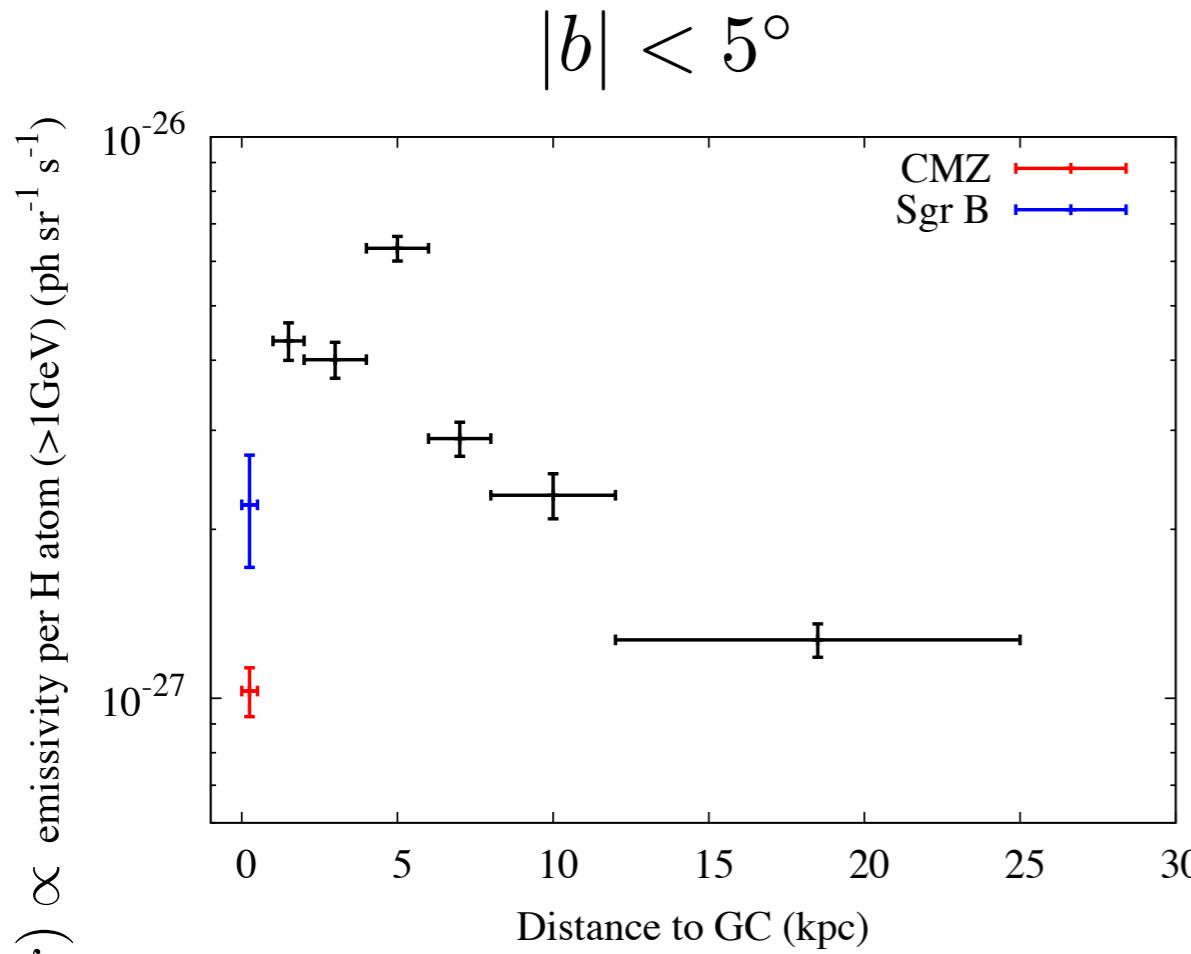
$$\delta(r) = A + B \cdot \left( \frac{r}{r_\odot} \right)$$

$$D = D_0 \rho^\delta$$



# The radial distribution of the diffuse $\gamma$ -ray emissivity in the GP

R. Yang, F. Aharonian, **CE**, PRD, 2016



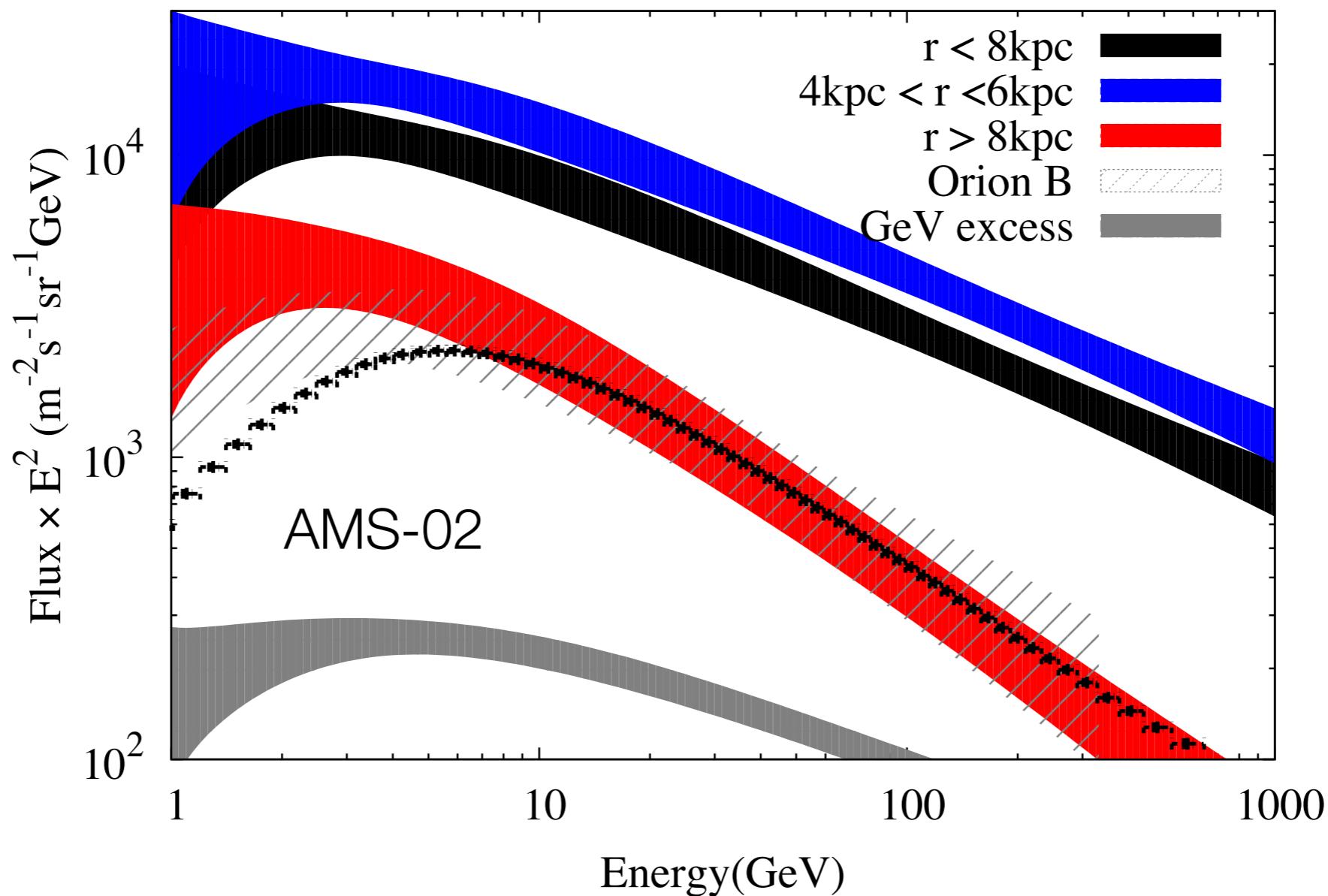
Templates based:

- on CO galactic survey of with the CfA 1.2m millimetre-wave Telescope
- the Leiden/Argentine/Bonn (LAB) Survey on HI gas
- dust opacity maps from PLANCK for “dark gas”

Results: Both the absolute emissivity and the energy spectra of  $\gamma$ -rays derived in the interval 0.2-100 GeV show significant variations along the galactic plane.

# Comparison with local proton spectrum

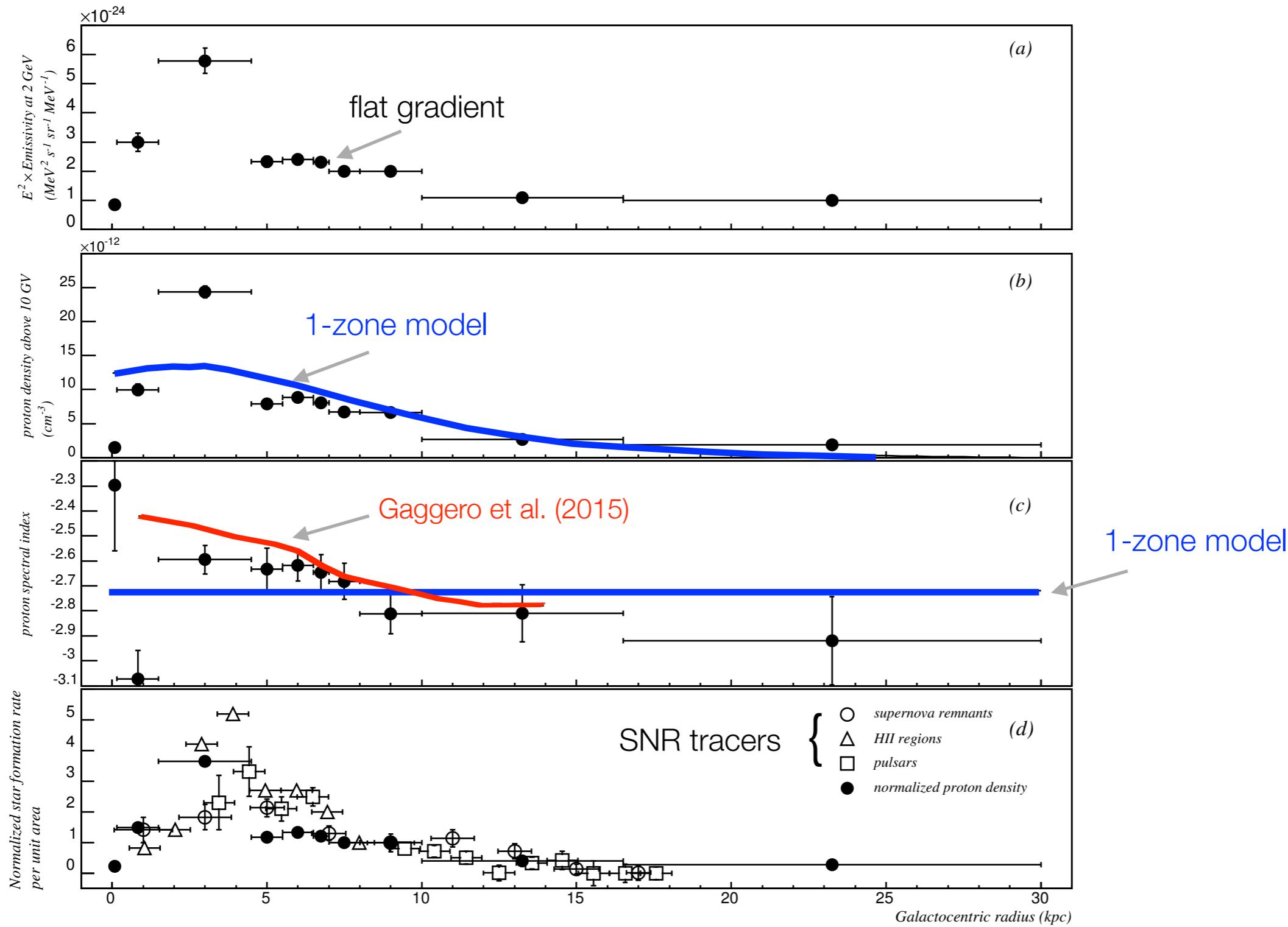
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The energy spectrum of multi-GeV protons derived from  $\gamma$ -ray data in the outskirts of the Galaxy is quite close to the measurements of local CRs.

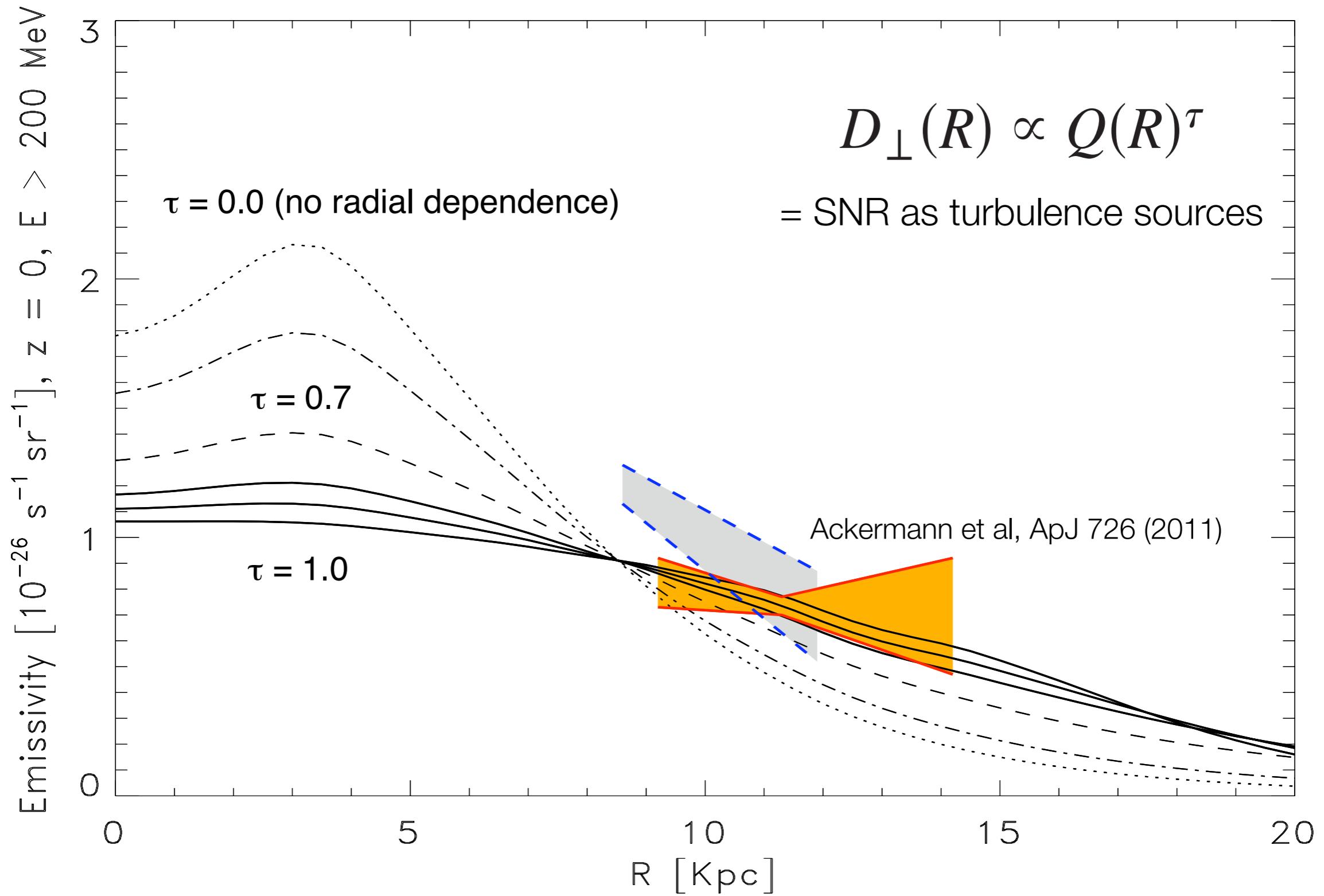
# FERMI galactic interstellar emission model (GEIM)

FERMI Collaboration, arXiv:1602.07246



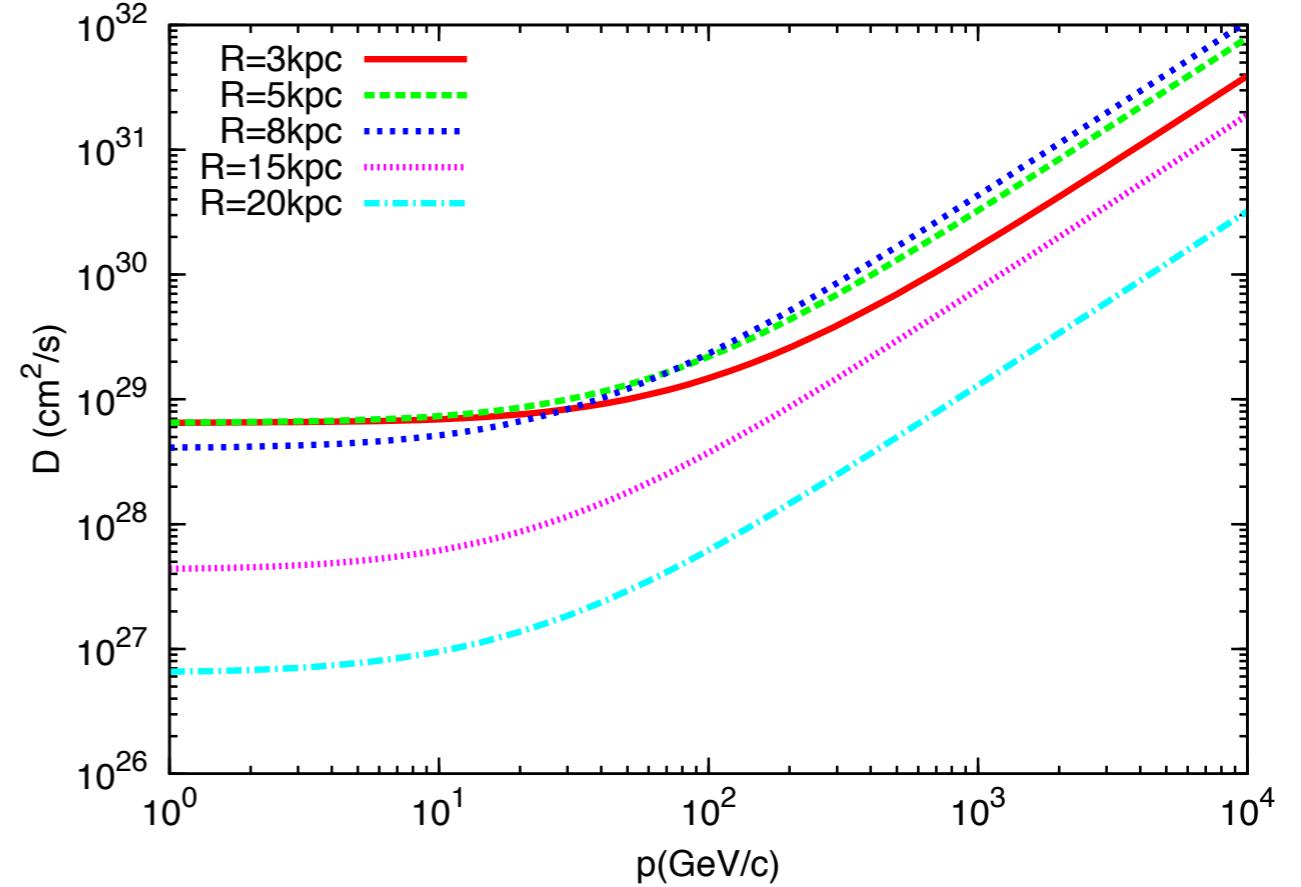
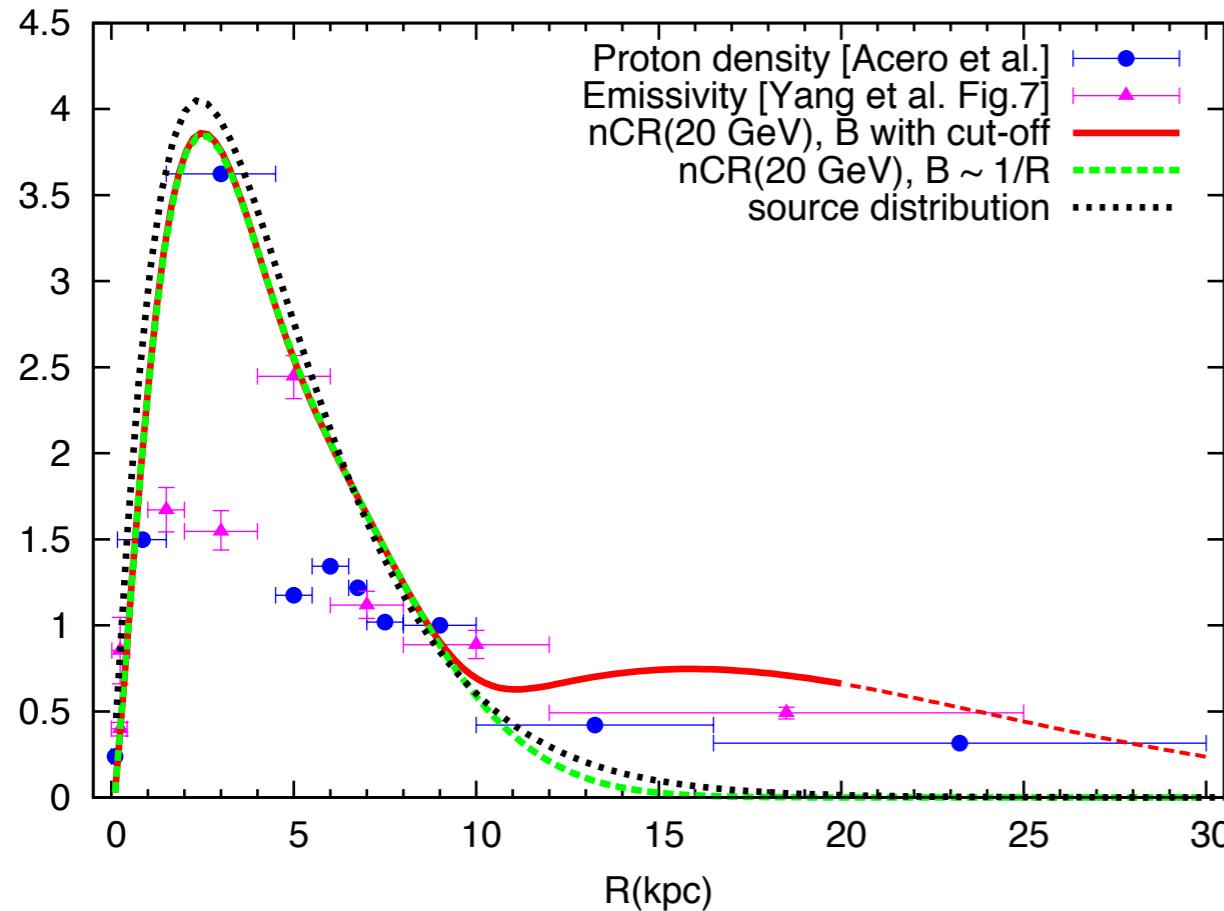
# The gradient problem in terms of inhomogeneous diffusions

CE et al., PRL, 2012



# Non-linear CR propagation

S. Recchia, P. Blasi and G. Morlino, arXiv:1604.07682



“we showed that both the gradient and the spectral shape can be explained in a simple model of non-linear CR transport: CRs excite waves through streaming instability in the ionized Galactic halo and are advected with such Alfvén waves. In this model, *the diffusion coefficient is smaller where the source density is larger and this phenomenon enhances the CR density in the inner Galaxy.*”

# Diffusion-Reacceleration-Advection Equation

Ginzburg & Syrovatsky (1964)

$$\partial_t N - \partial_x (D_x \partial_x) N - \partial_p \left[ p^2 D_p \partial_p \left( \frac{N}{p^2} \right) \right] = + \text{Sources} - \text{Losses} - \text{Spallation}$$

$\rightarrow 0$

↓

$D_x = D_\odot g(p) f(x)$

$D_p \sim p^2 v_A^2 / D_x$

$$-D_\odot g(p) \partial_x [f(x) \partial_x] N - \frac{v_A^2}{D_\odot f(x)} \partial_p \left[ \frac{p^4}{g(p)} \partial_p \left( \frac{N}{p^2} \right) \right] = [...]$$

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**1-zone  
model**

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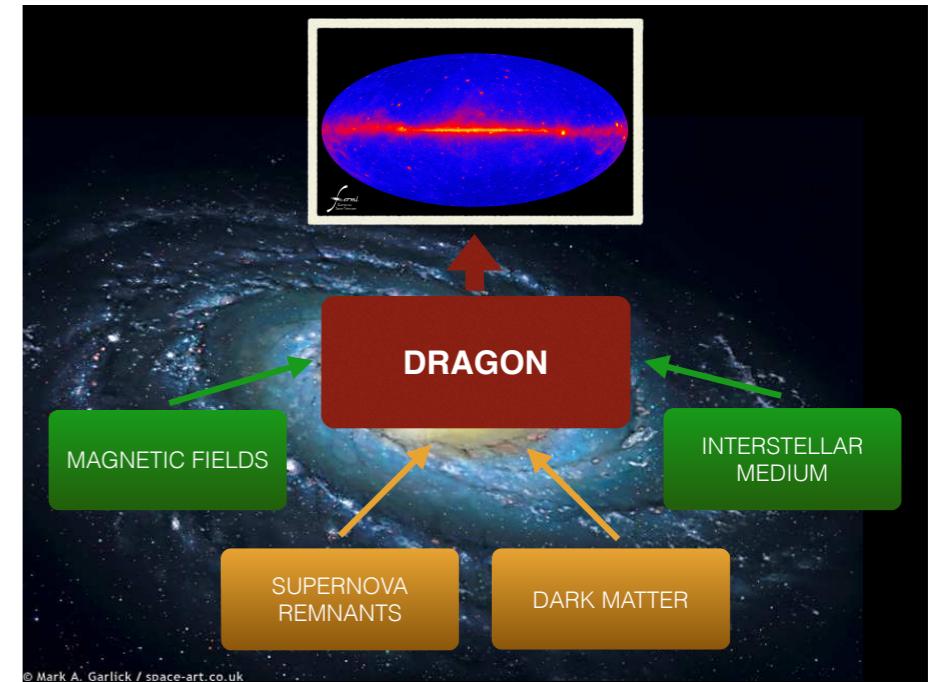
# The DRAGON numerical package

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DRAGON code has been under development since

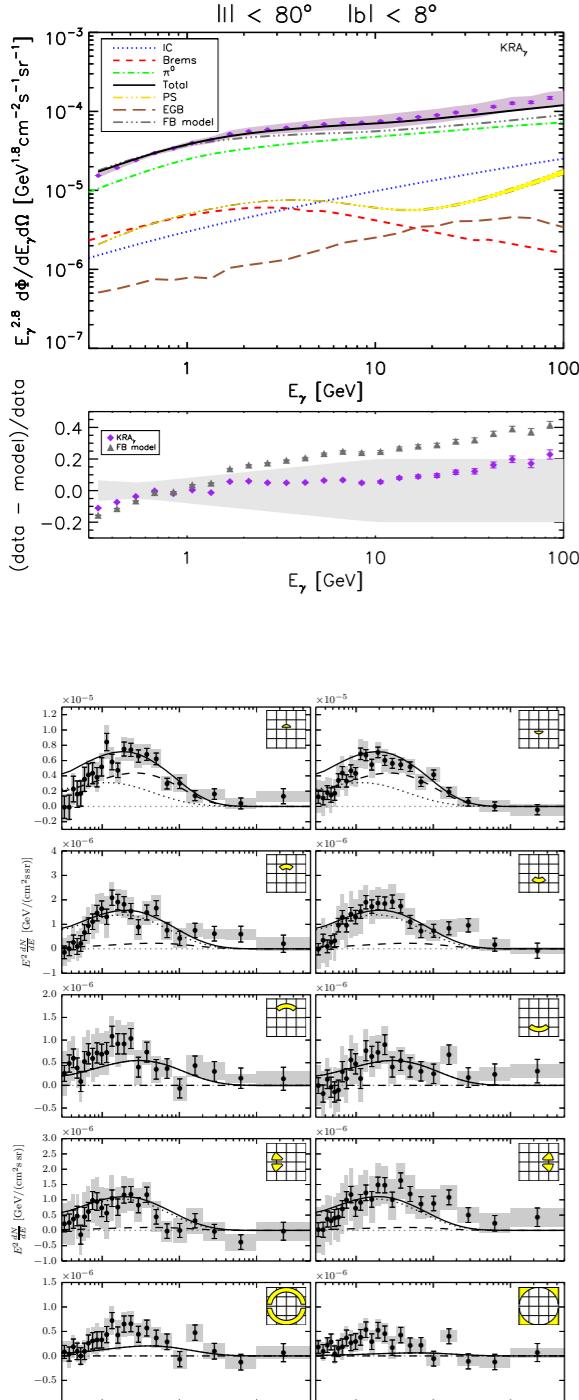
2008 following two main ideas:

- going beyond the 1-zone model for diffusion, implementing inhomogeneous + drifts
- the solution of the diffusion equation depends on a number of assumptions (**gas, magnetic field, ISRF, cross-sections, algorithm...**). Our approach allows quantitative estimates of the uncertainties induced by different assumptions.

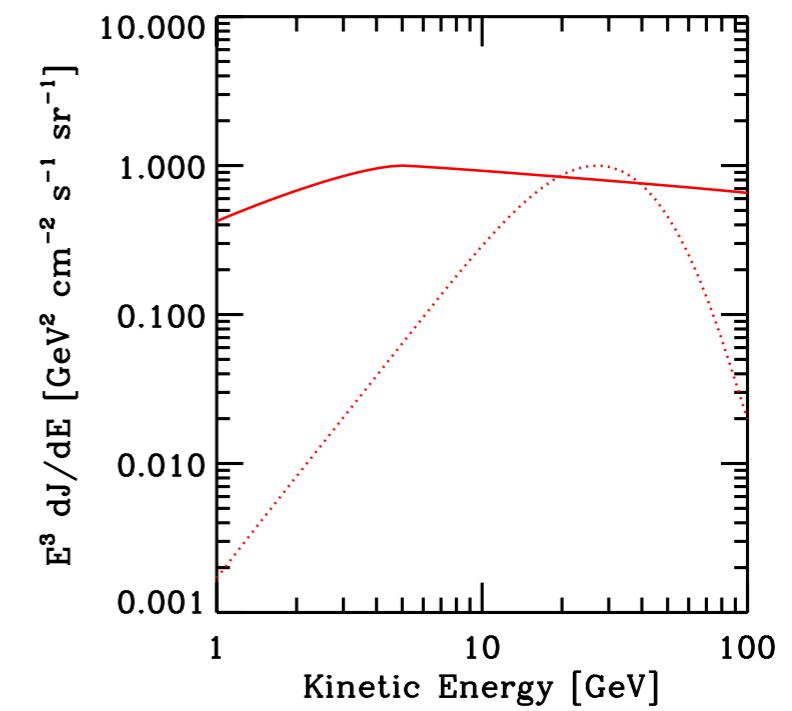
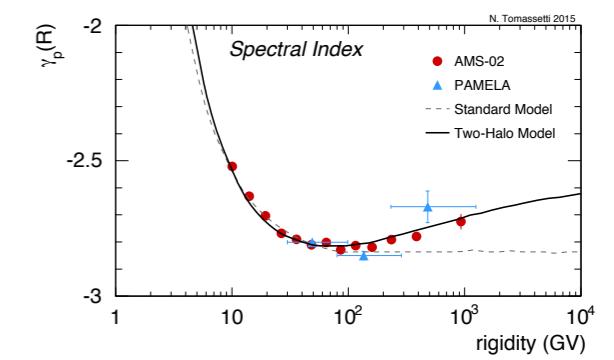
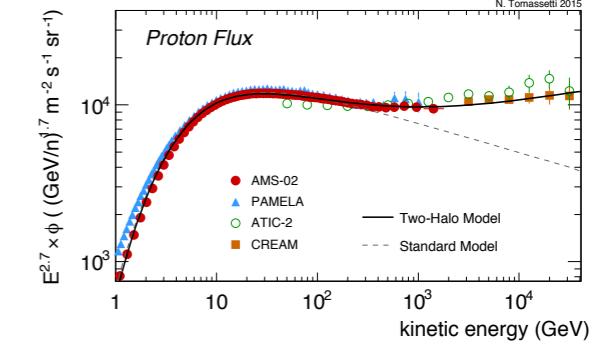
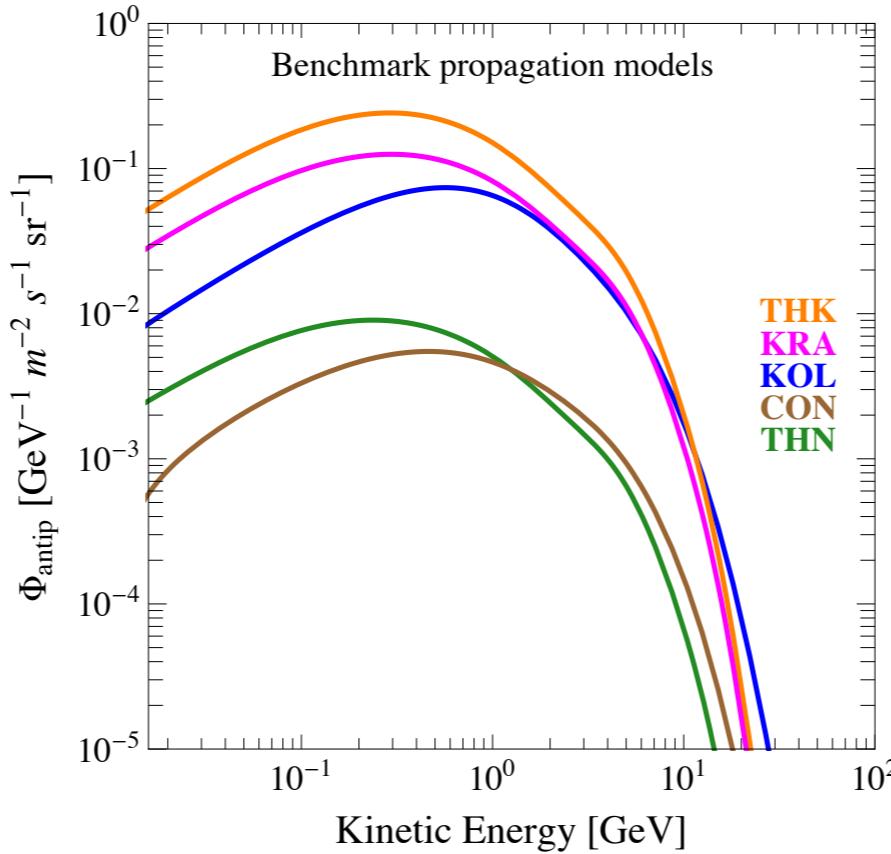


- **Diffusing  
Reaccelerating  
Advection  
Galactic CRs: an  
Open  
New code.**

# Ready for the v2...



- inhomogeneous and anisotropic diffusion
- transients
- more DM models
- inhomogeneous reacceleration
- halo vs disk



# ... really modular!

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#include "TGalaxyGrid.h"

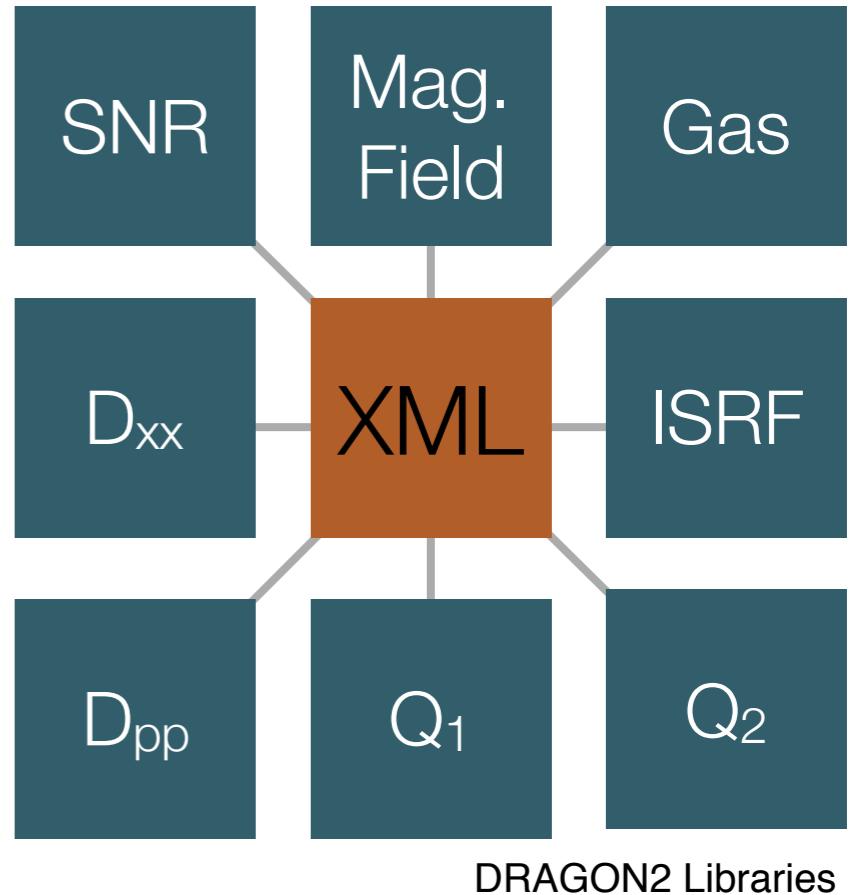
namespace DRAGON {

    class THIDensityNakanishi03 : public TGalaxyGrid
    {
        double h0;
        double n0;
    public:
        THIDensityNakanishi03();
        double distribution(const TVector3d& pos);
    };

    THIDensityNakanishi03::THIDensityNakanishi03() : TGalaxyGrid()
    {
        h0 = 1.06 * pc;
        n0 = 0.94 * (1./cm3);
    }

    double THIDensityNakanishi03::distribution(const TVector3d& pos)
    {
        double rKpc = pos.getR() / kpc;
        double exp1 = exp(-rKpc / 2.4);
        double exp2 = exp(-pow((rKpc - 9.5) / 4.8, 2));
        double densityOnPlane = n0 * (0.6 * exp1 + 0.24 * exp2);
        double scaleHeight = h0 * (116.3 + 19.3 * rKpc + 4.1 * rKpc *
        rKpc - 0.05 * rKpc * rKpc * rKpc);

        return (densityOnPlane * exp(-M_LN2 * pow(pos.z / scaleHeight,
        2)));
    }
} // namespace
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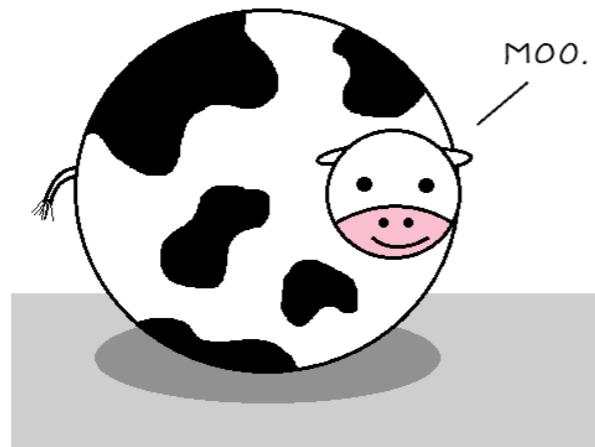


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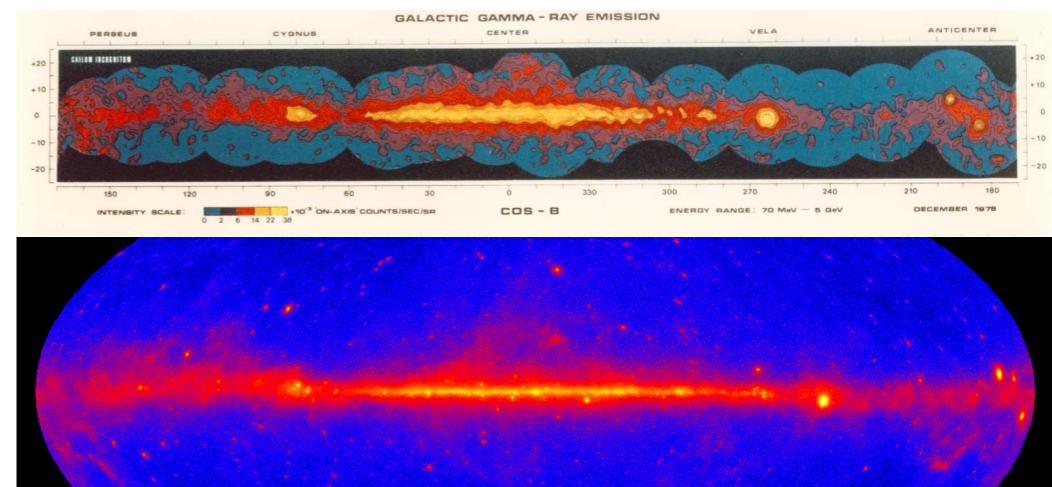
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- quality of gamma data exceeded progressively realism of CR propagation model!

Models:



Data:



1978



today