

HIGH ENERGY EMISSION FROM SNR RX J1713.7-3946

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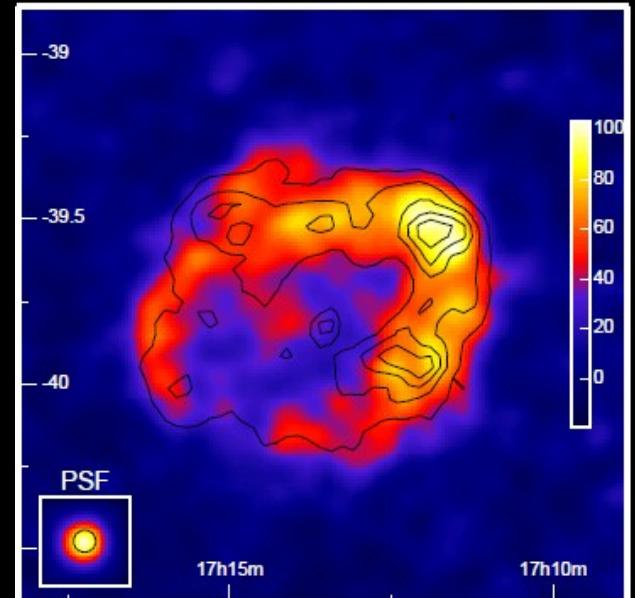
TeV Emission: Hadronic or Leptonic Origin?

• Aim

Investigating whether the SNR RX J1713.7-3946 can be an efficient Cosmic Rays accelerator, studying the origin of TeV γ -ray emission

• Method

We use the nonlinear diffusive shock acceleration theory coupled with resonant magnetic field amplification to compute the nonthermal particle population and the associated photon emission



SNRs in TeV γ -Rays

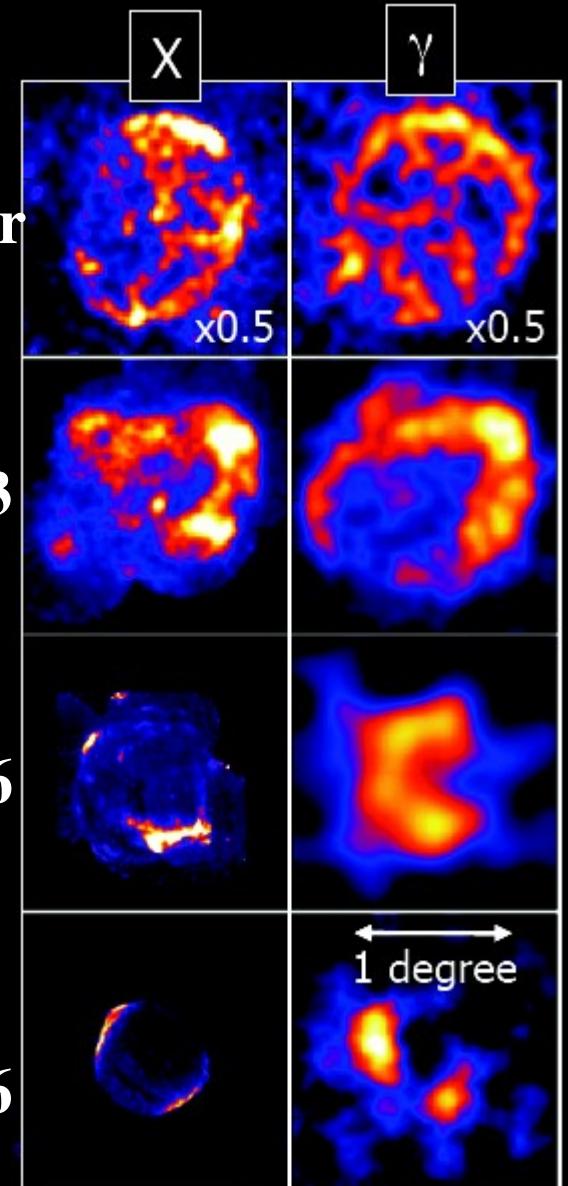
- RX J1713.7 is one of 4 shell-like SNRs observed in TeV band
- All show correlation with non-thermal X-ray

Vela Junior

RX J1713

RCW 86

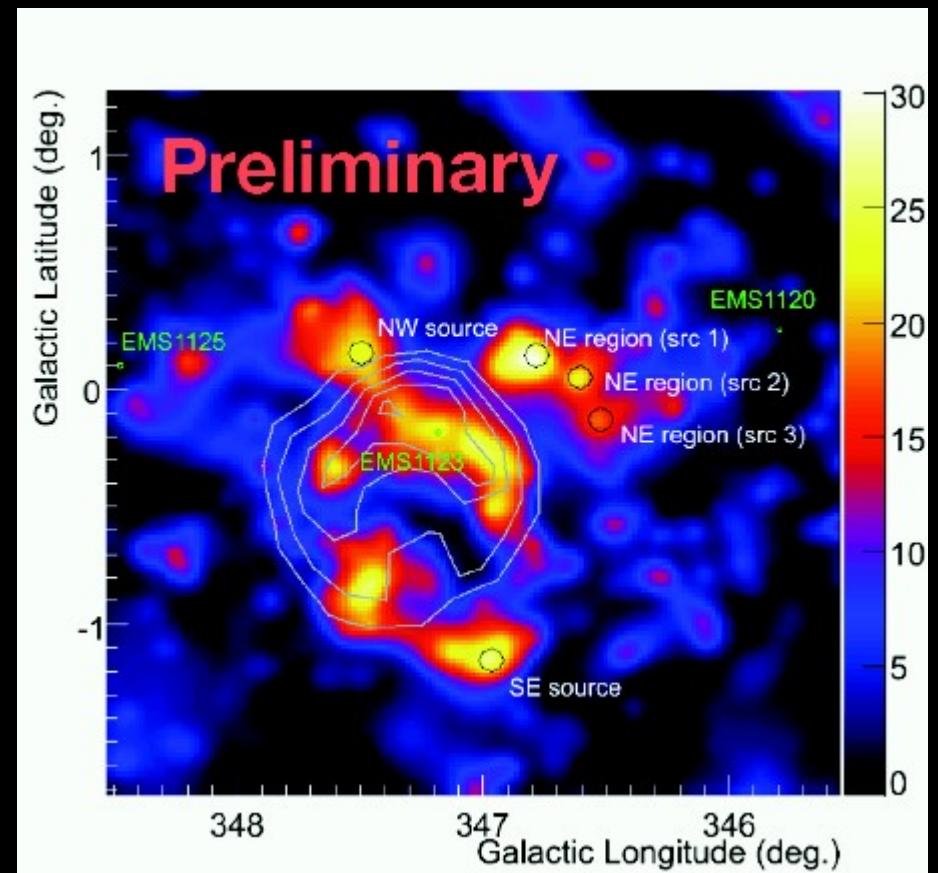
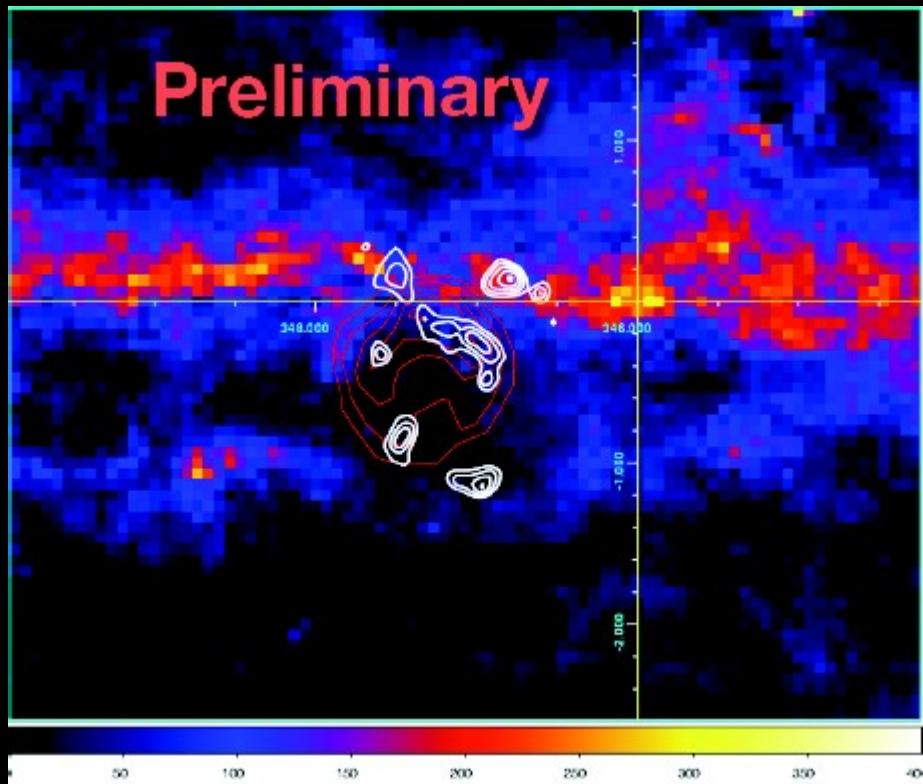
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Fermi-LAT view of RX J1713.7-3946

RX J1713 has been detected by Fermi-LAT in GeV band:

- Faint source in a complicated region
- Extended source



[Figures from Funk (2009)- Fermi Symposium II]

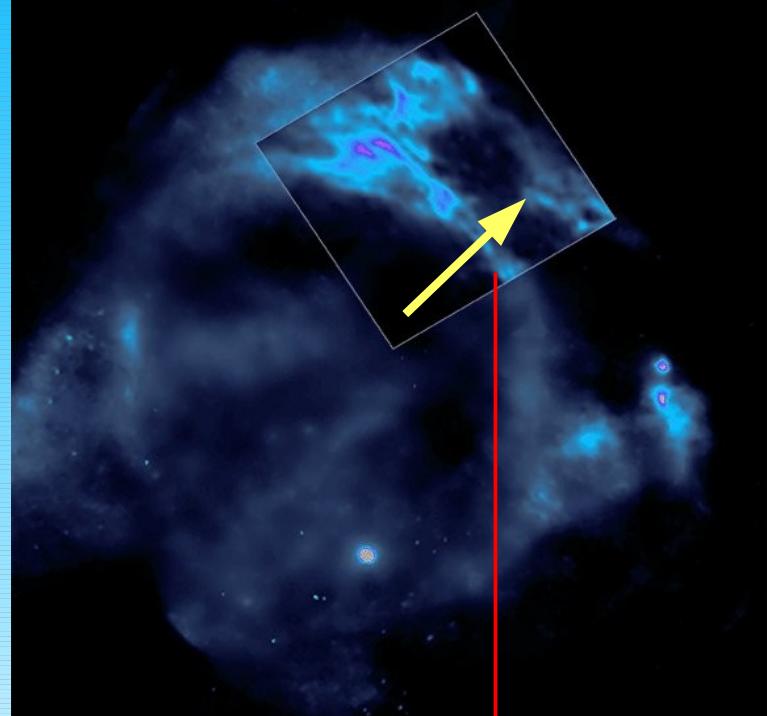
X-ray Observations and Magnetic Field

The magnetic field is a key parameter to understand the TeV emission

Assuming that the thickness of X-ray rims is due to sever synchrotron losses, we can infer the magnetic field
 $\sim 100 \mu G$

[Lazendic et al.(2004)]

XMM + Chandra



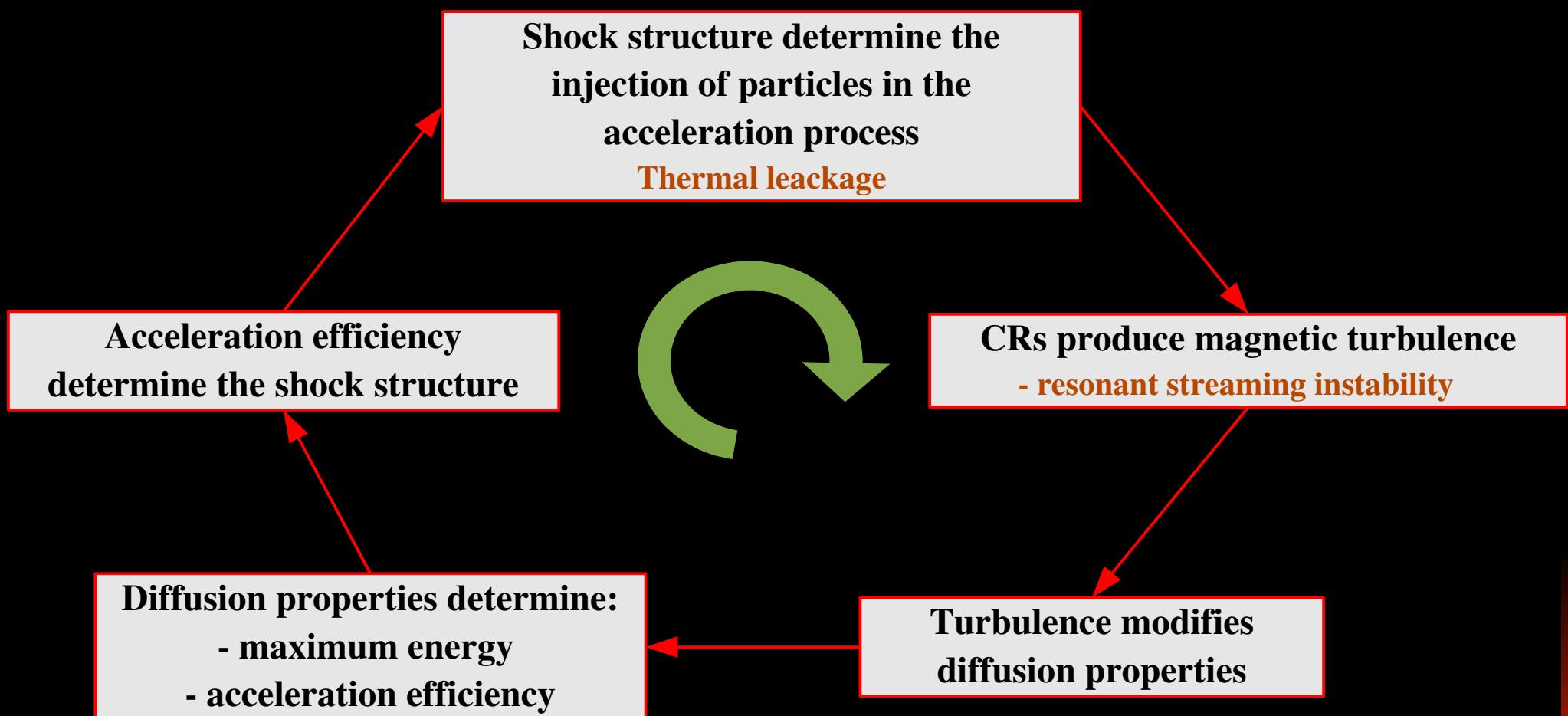
$$\Delta R_x = \frac{2 D_2/u_2}{\sqrt{1+4D_2/u_2^2\tau_{syn}}-1}$$

$$B_2 \sim 100 \mu G$$



Basic Features of NLDSA model

If acceleration is efficient CRs modify the shock structure in a complicated way.
We need a nonlinear theory able to describe how all elements feedback on all
others → we use an iterative method



Basic Features of NLDSA model

We use the model described in
Blasi (2002), Blasi et al. (2005), Amato & Blasi (2006)
Results are presented in Morlino, Amato & Blasi (2009)

- **Solution of stationary transport equation in a plane shock geometry**
- **Bohm-like diffusion coefficient in the local amplified magnetic field**
- **Particle injection according to the thermal leakage model**

INNOVATIVE ELEMENTS

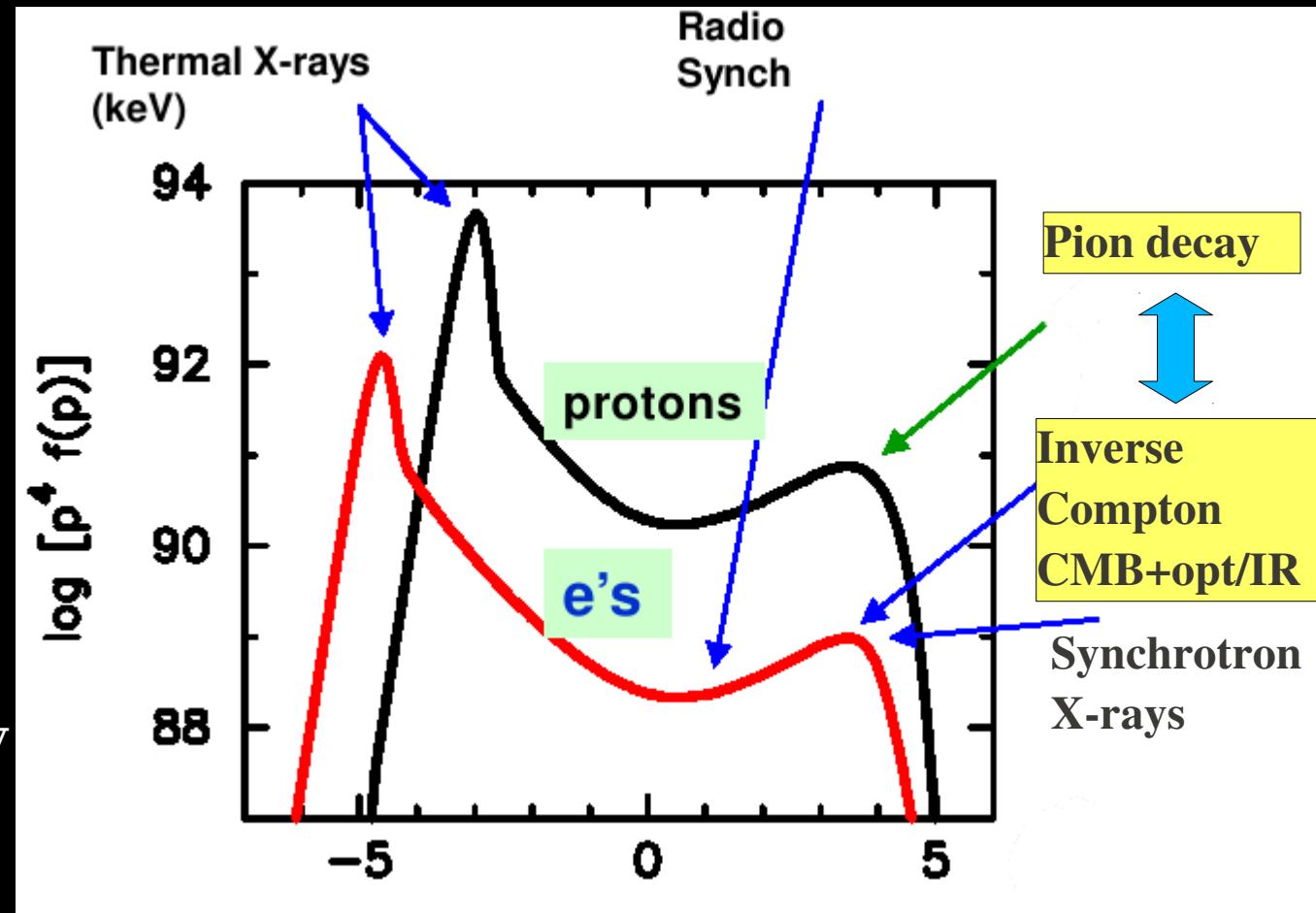
- **Resonant magnetic field amplification and compression**
- **Inclusion of dynamical reaction of amplified magnetic field onto the shock**

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Age ~ 1600 yr
Distance ~ 1 kpc

Model Parameters

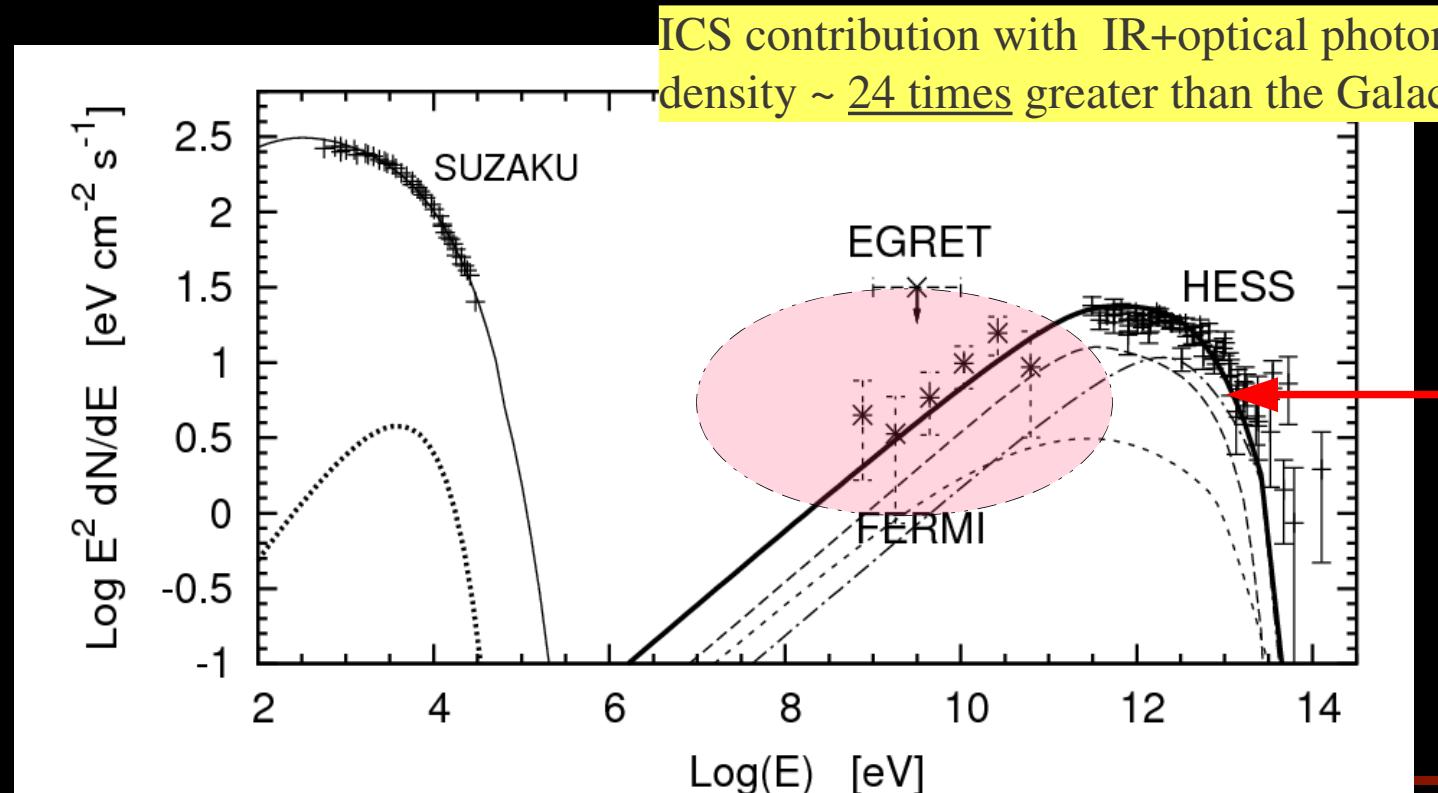
T_0	Temperature (10^6 K)
U_{sh}	shock speed
n_0	upstream density
B_0	upstr. magnetic field ~2-4 μ G
ξ	acceleration efficiency
K_{ep}	injected e/p ratio



Maximum energy of both electrons and protons are computed consistently using nonlinear theory in the amplified magnetic field

Leptonic Scenario: Inefficient Acceleration

$n_0 [\text{cm}^{-3}]$	$T_0 [\text{K}]$	$B_0 [\mu\text{G}]$	$u_0 [\text{km/s}]$	ξ	K_{ep}			
0.01	10^6	1.5	4300	4.1	0.013			
ϵ	η_{ing}	R_{sub}	R_{tot}	B_1/B_0	$B_2 [\mu\text{G}]$	$T_2 [\text{keV}]$	$p_{p,\max} [\text{GeV}]$	$t_{acc} [\text{yr}]$
1.6 %	7.7×10^{-7}	3.96	4.03	4.0	23	23	9.3×10^4	1600

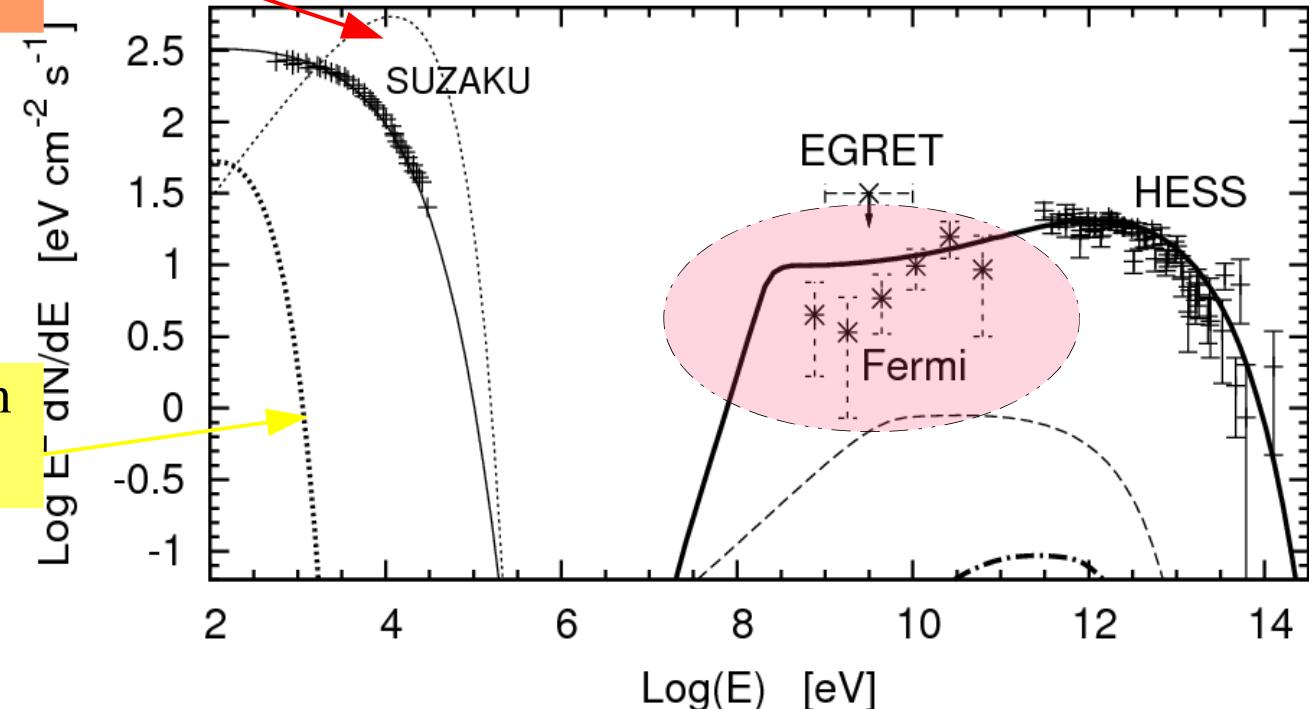


Hadronic Scenario: Efficient Acceleration

$n_0 [\text{cm}^{-3}]$	$T_0 [\text{K}]$	$B_0 [\mu\text{G}]$	$u_0 [\text{km/s}]$	ξ	K_{ep}
0.12	10^6	2.6	4300	3.8	8×10^{-5}

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26 %	6.5×10^{-5}	3.95	5.35	25.5	100	19.5	1.25×10^5	780

Thermal emission
for $T_e = T_p$



Thermal emission
for $T_e = 0.01 T_p$

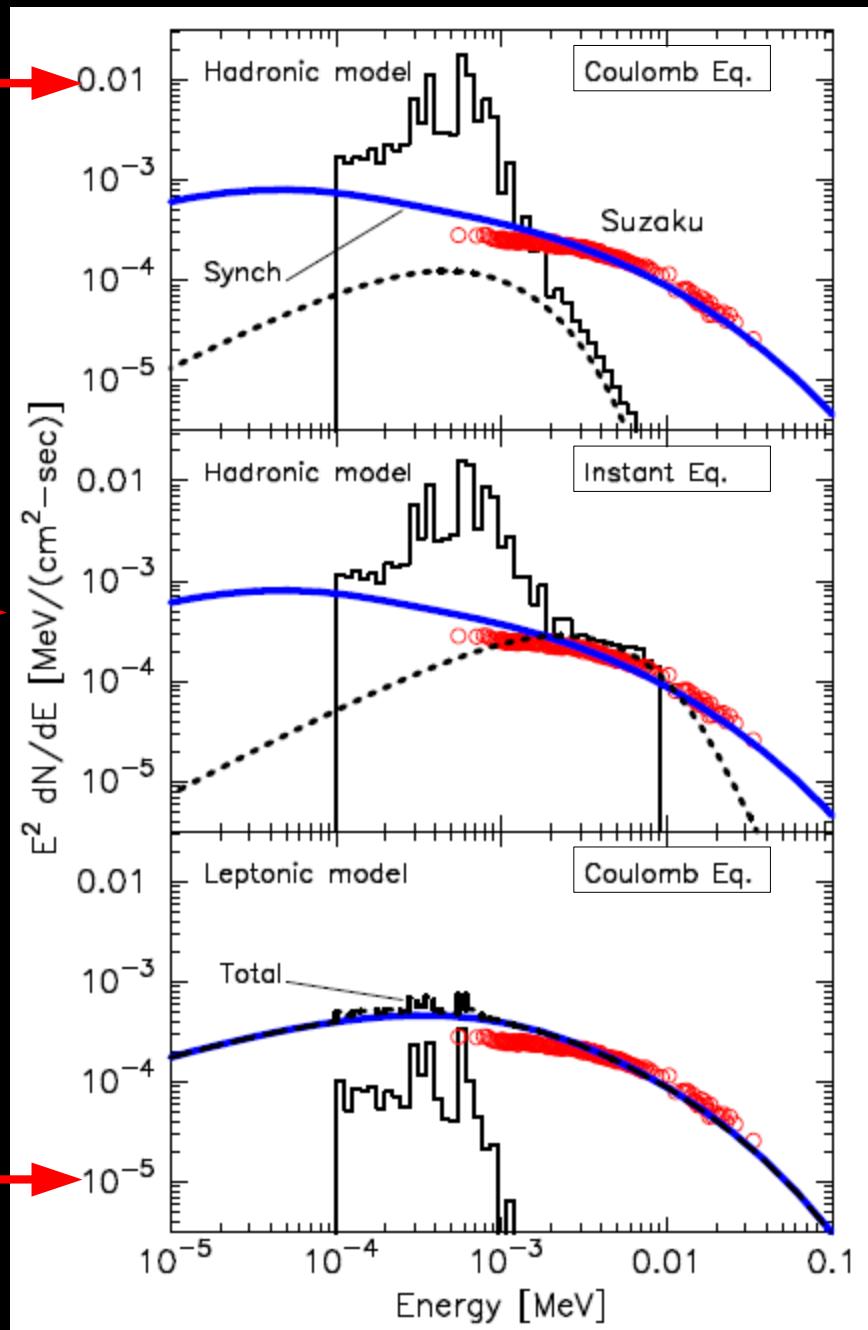
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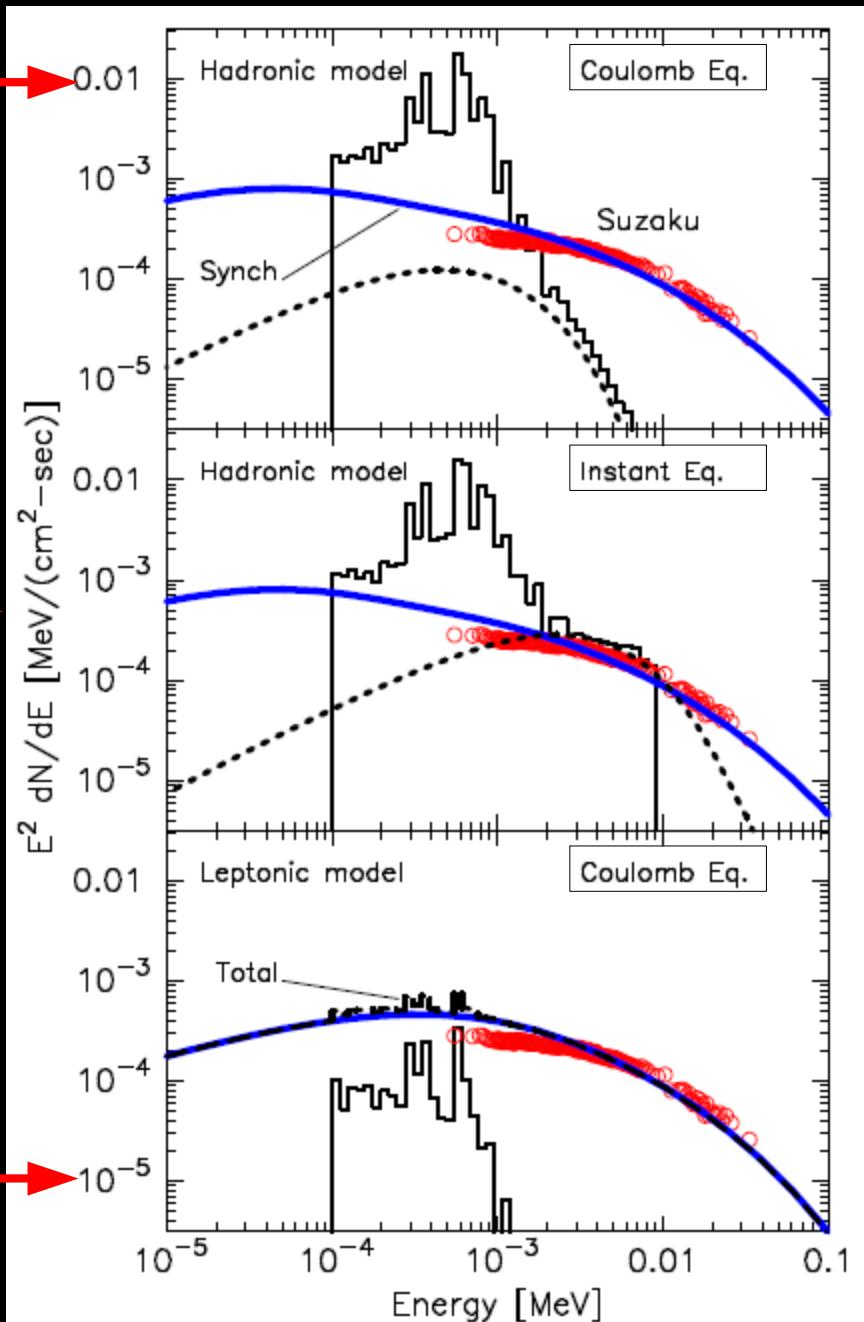
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Possible caveats:

- Chemical composition of circumstellar medium different from the assumed solar one
- Non uniform circumstellar medium

[see Zirakashvili & Aharonian 2009]

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Conclusions

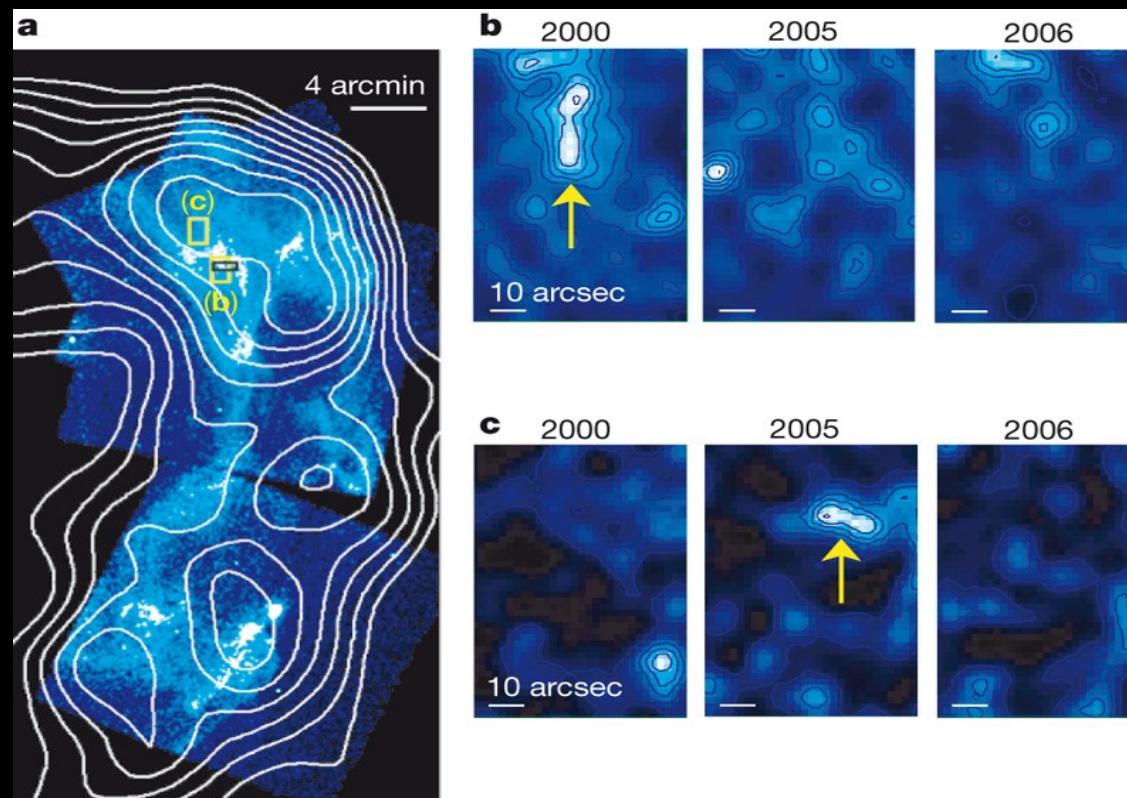
The dispute between Hadronic vs Leptonic scenario
is still not solved

	Non-thermal X-ray	Thermal X-ray	GeV (Fermi-LAT)	TeV	X-ray filaments
HADRONIC (efficient acceleration)	GOOD	BAD	NOT SO GOOD	GOOD	GOOD
LEPTONIC (inefficient acceleration)	GOOD	GOOD	GOOD	BAD	BAD

X-rays variability

Uchiyama et al.(2008) observed with CHANDRA rapid variations of single X-ray spots of order ~ 1 year

Assuming that this is due to synchrotron losses they infer a magnetic field $\sim \text{mG}$ observing



Predictions from other Authors

