Progresses in γ–ray Astronomy and Cosmic-ray Research

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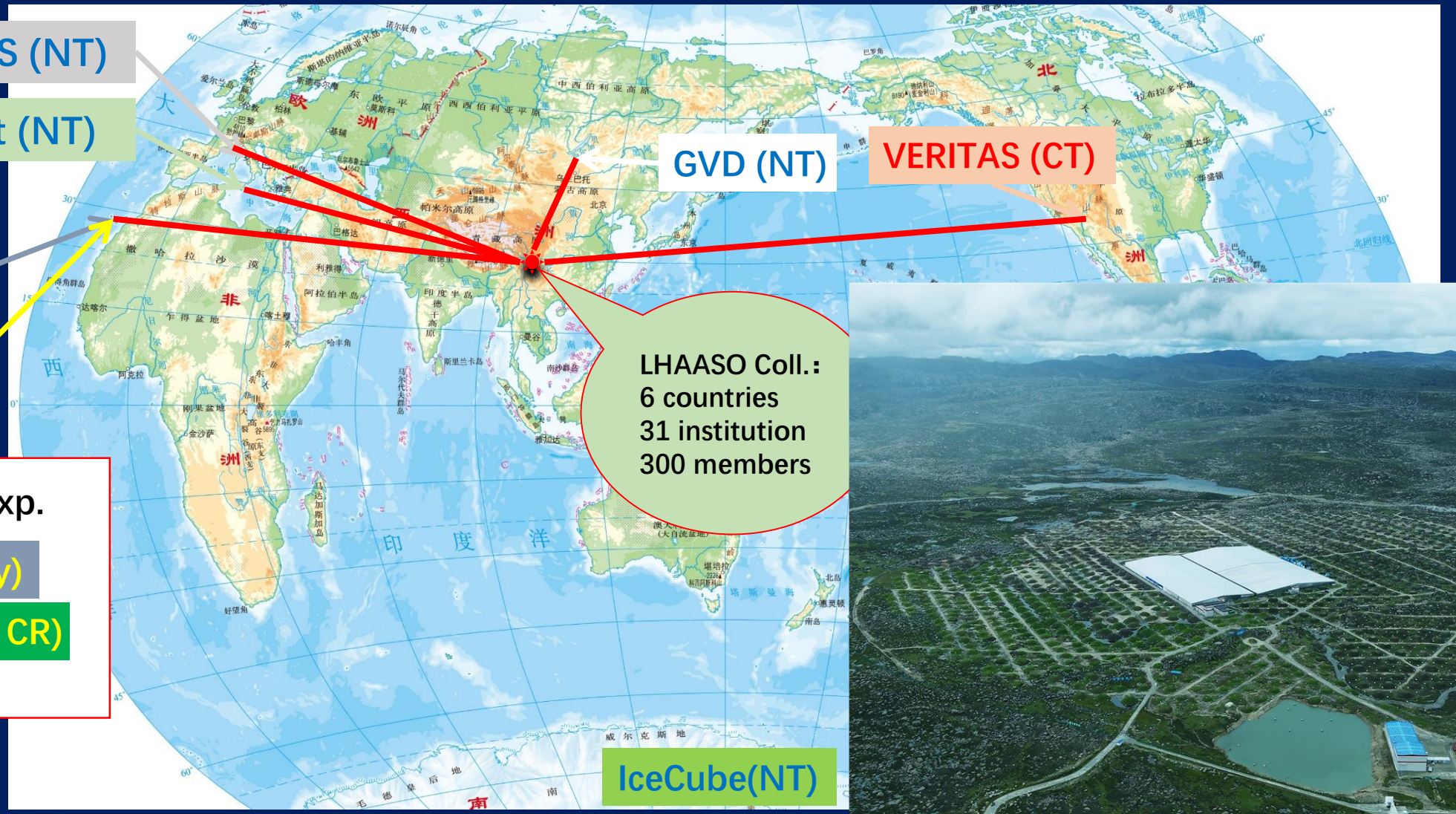
Multi-Messenger Collaboration Network



Space borne Exp.

eROSITA(X-ray)

DAMPE(γ-ray, CR)

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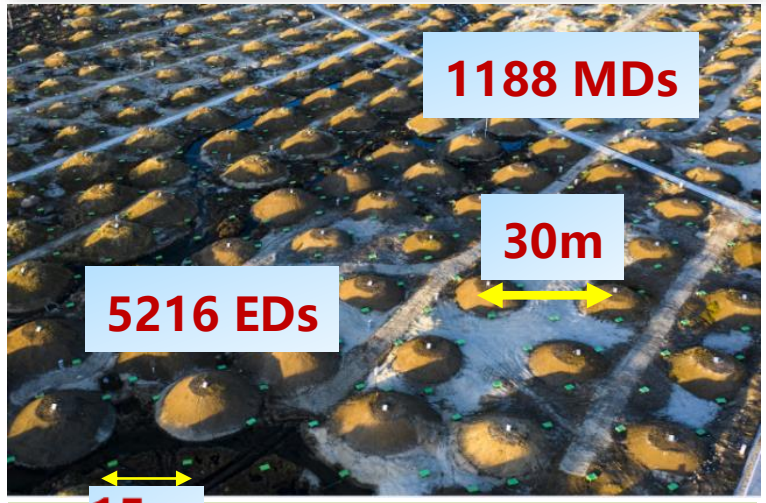
LHAASO a complex for both γ-astronomy and Cosmic Ray research

The ½ array started operation in 2019 and the full array in 2021

KM2A: Scintillator counters (ED) and muon counters (MD)

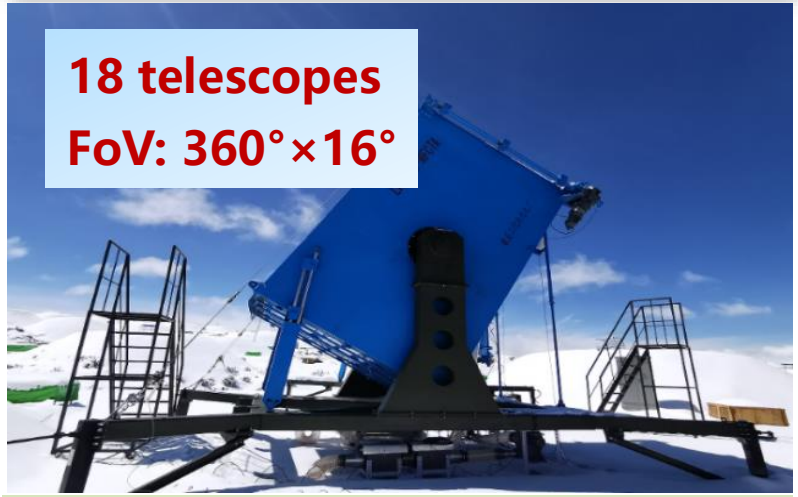


Very sensitive γ-ray telescope above 10 TeV (~15 mCU)

Water Cherenkov Detector Array (78,000 m²)

Very sensitive γ-ray survey telescope above 1 TeV (15 mCU)

Wide FoV Cherenkov Telescope Array



Very unique spectrometer of CR H, He and Fe above 30 TeV

The ultimate goal is to identify origins of CRs

Scientific Goals

γ-ray astronomy:

Survey for sources (above 500 GeV)

PeVatrons (above 100 TeV)

All kind of sources: SNR, PWN, MYC, binary, pulsar, AGN, GRB etc.

Cosmic Ray Physics:

The knees

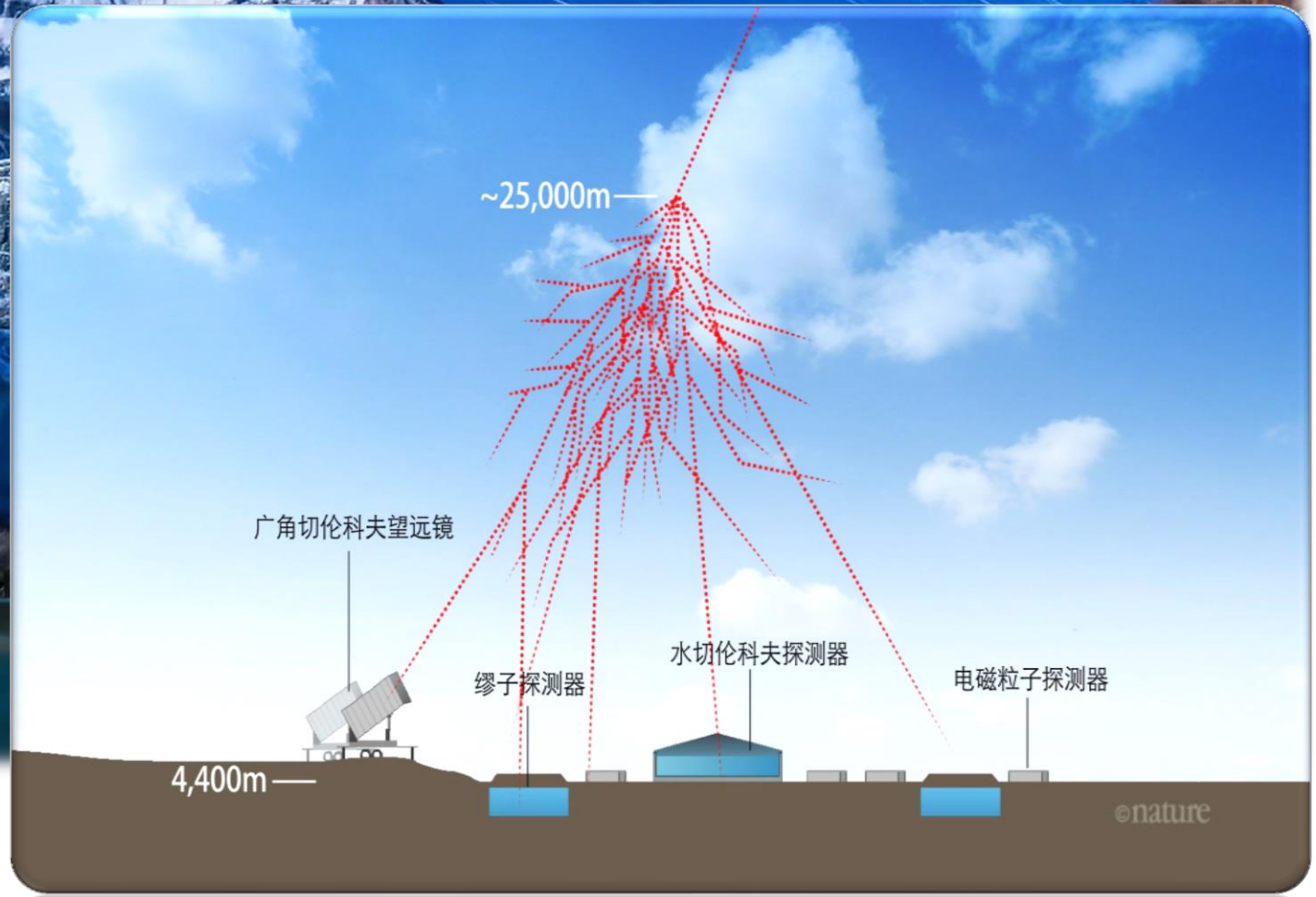
Compositions : individual species H, He and Fe

Anisotropy: (1 TeV to 10 PeV)

New Physics Front: DM, LIV, etc.

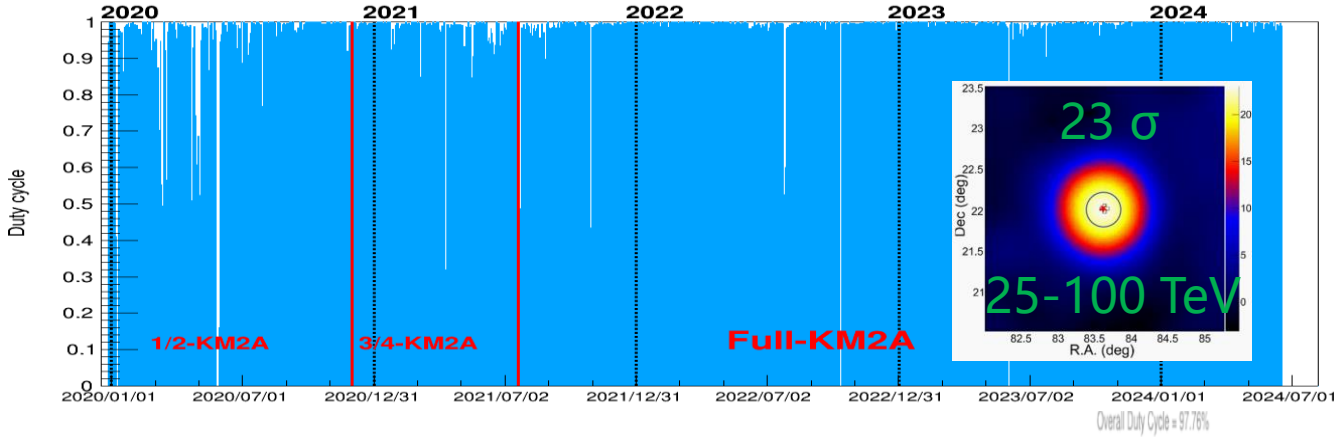
Large High Altitude Air Shower Observatory

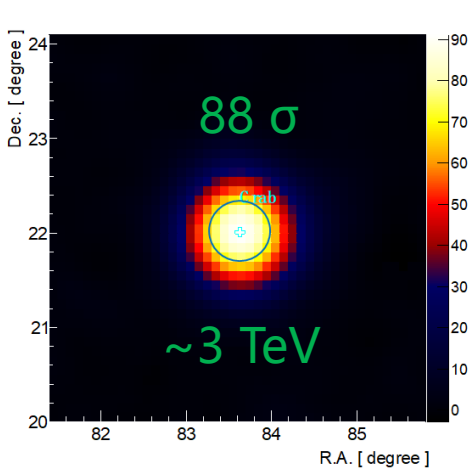
LHAASO

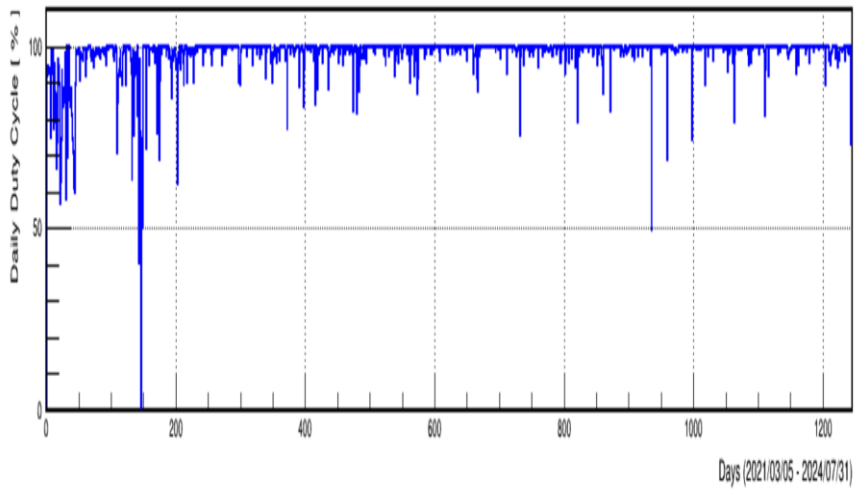


LHAASO Operation: Stable and High Quality

Duty Cycle>98% with failure rate<2%







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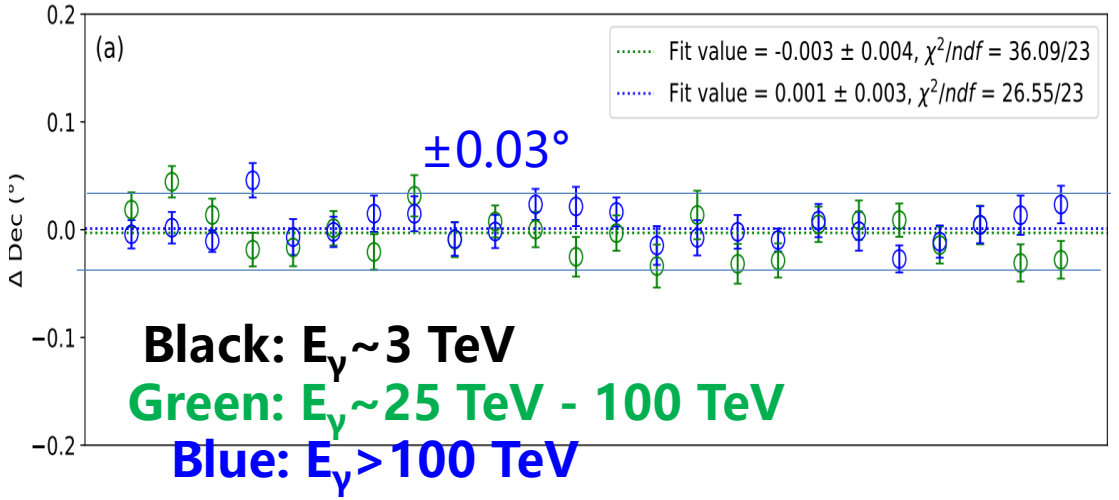
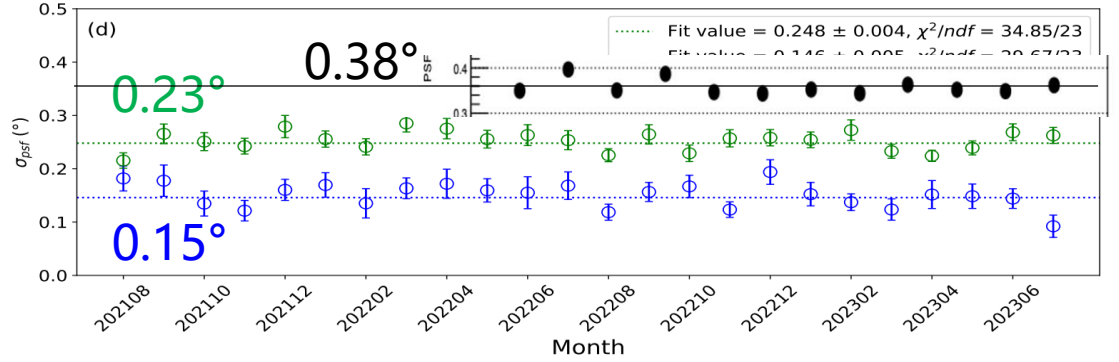
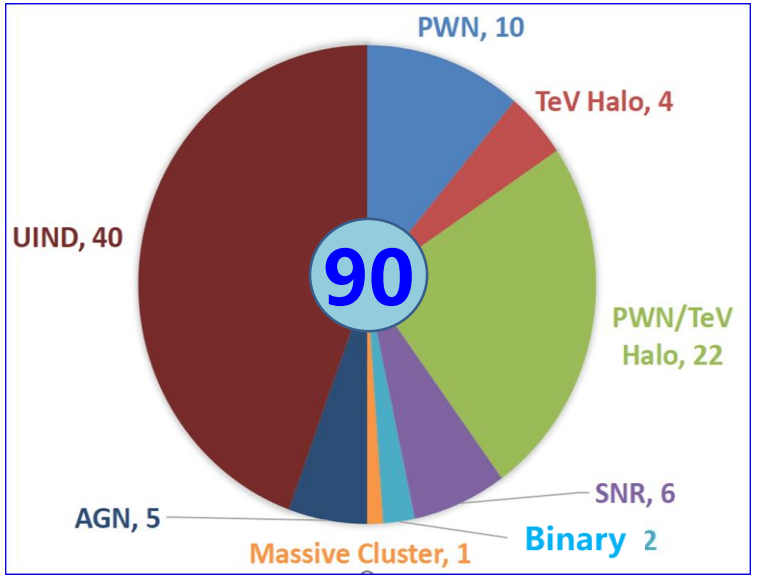




γ-ray Astronomy

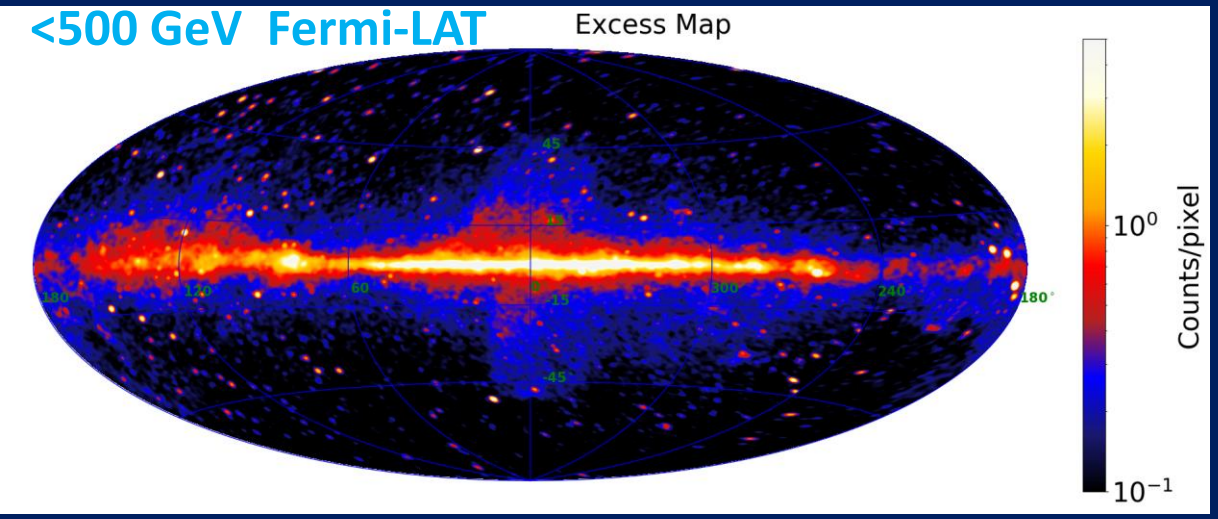
1. AGN, GRB and EBL
2. Microquasars
3. SNRs and Pulsar Halos
4. PWN and YMSC

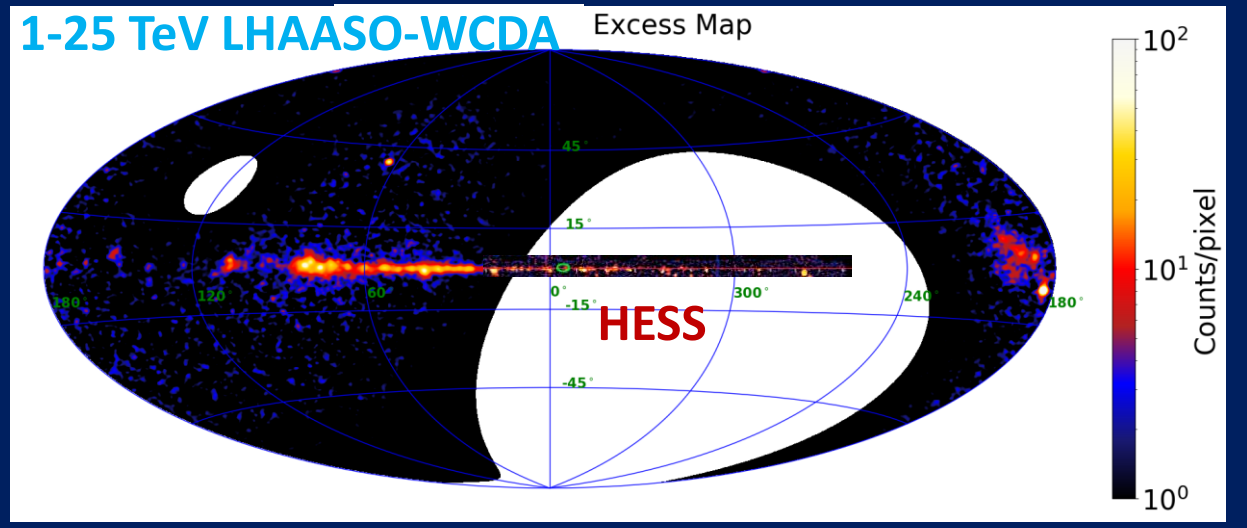


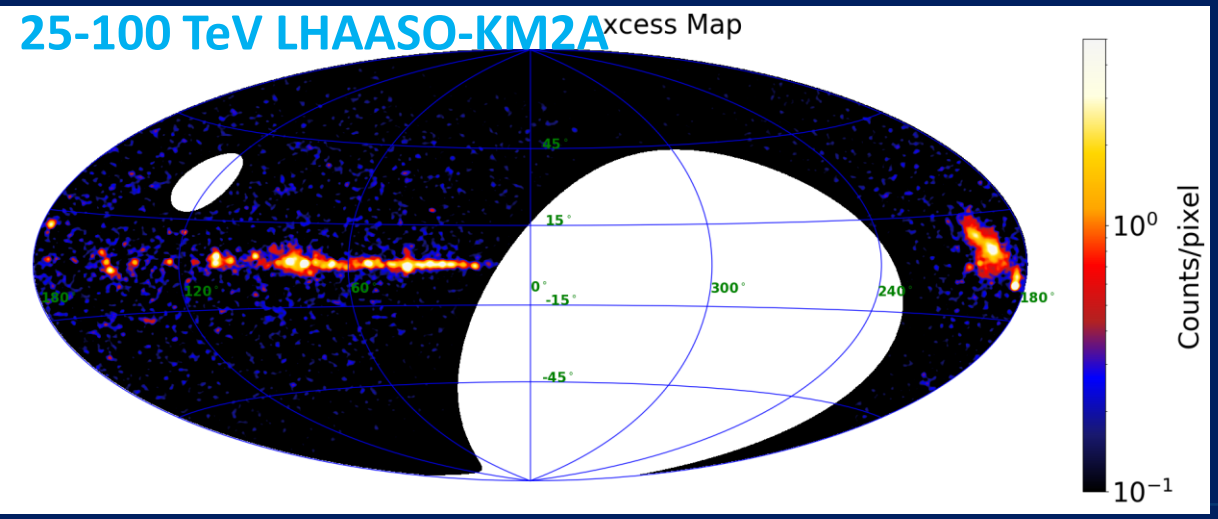
LHAASO Sources

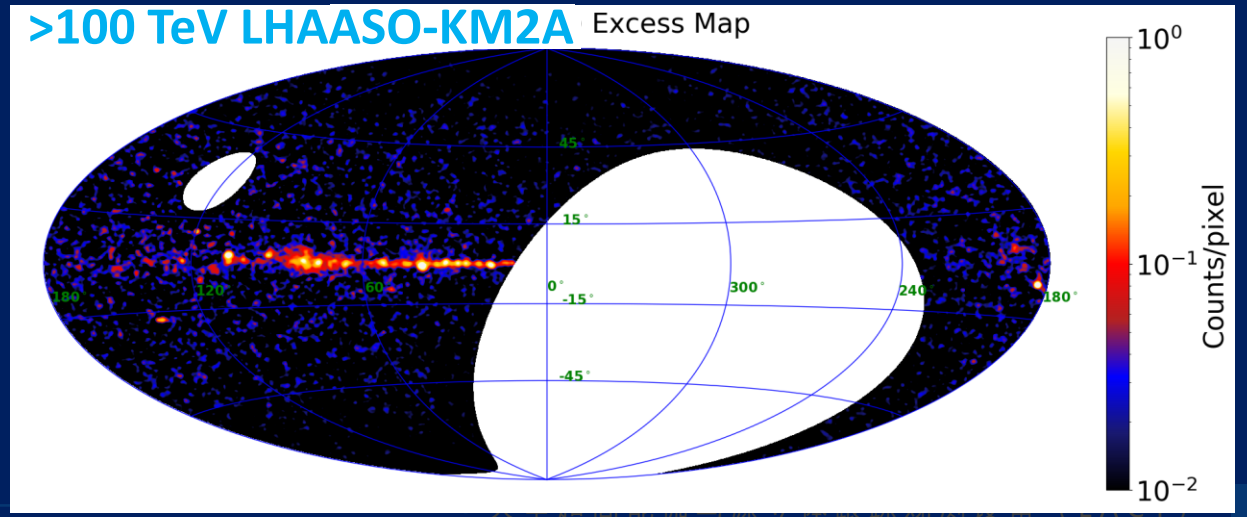
UHE γ-ray Astronomy: sources and diffuse emission

- **Survey discovered 30+ new sources, 40+ PeVatrons and diffuse γ-ray emission**





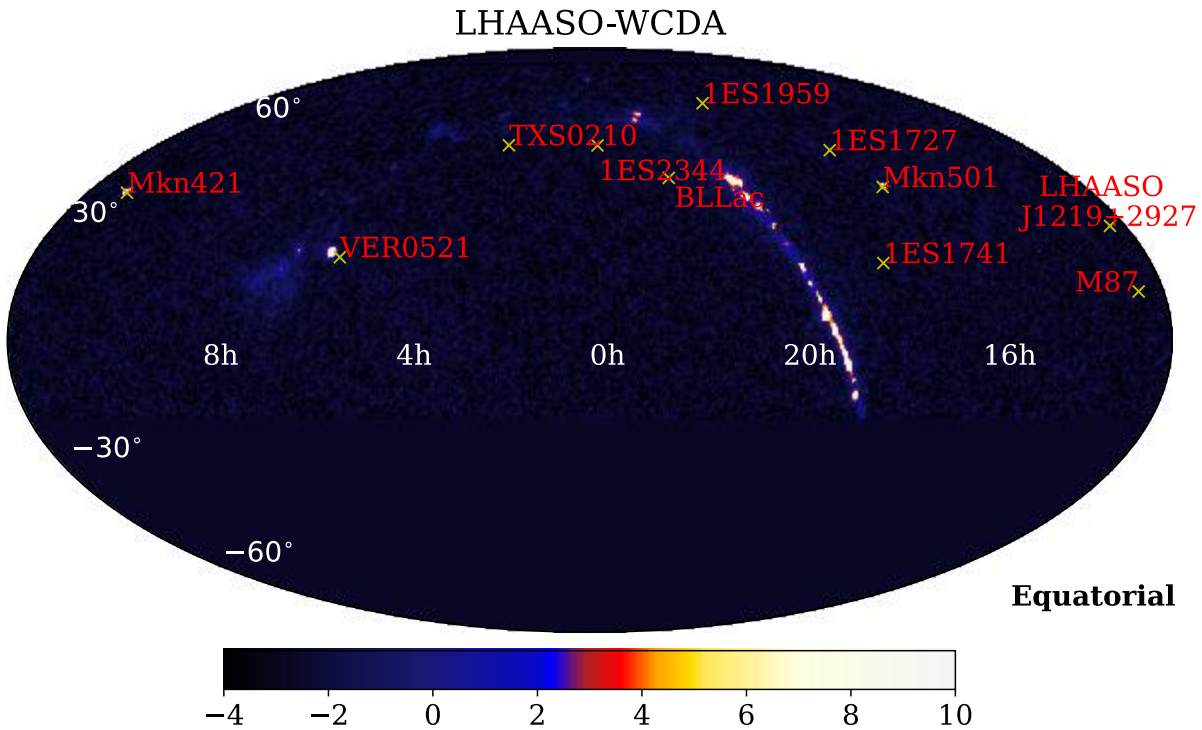




LHAASO AGNs

5 sources above 6σ are detected.

1. A Survey of extra-galactic sources with full-WCDA data (508 days)



Credit: Min Zha

Name	RA[°]	Dec[°]	Significance[s.d]	Separation[°]
Mkn421	166.05	38.15	70.84	0.05
Mkn501	253.45	39.75	63.97	0.02
1ES2344+514	356.75	51.65	6.76	0.06
LHAASO J1219+2916	**184.95**	**29.25**	**6.71**	**x**
1ES1727+502	261.95	50.25	6.52	0.09
RXJ0648.7+1516	102.15	15.35	5.10	0.09
M87	**187.75**	**12.45**	**5.07**	**0.07**
TXS0210+515	33.65	51.75	4.95	0.05
1ES1741+196	265.85	19.55	4.41	0.15
BLLacertae	330.67	42.27	4.38	0.18
VER0521+211	80.55	21.05	4.23	0.19
1ES1959+650	299.65	65.05	4.18	0.18
W Comae	185.35	28.45	4.10	0.22

Active Galactic Nuclei

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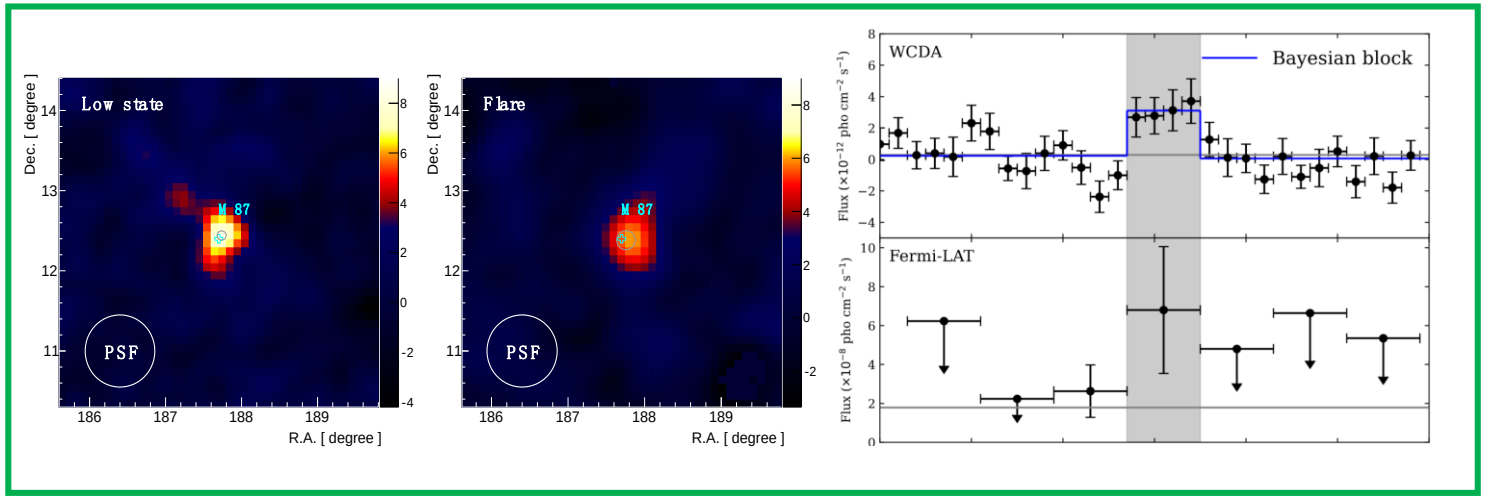
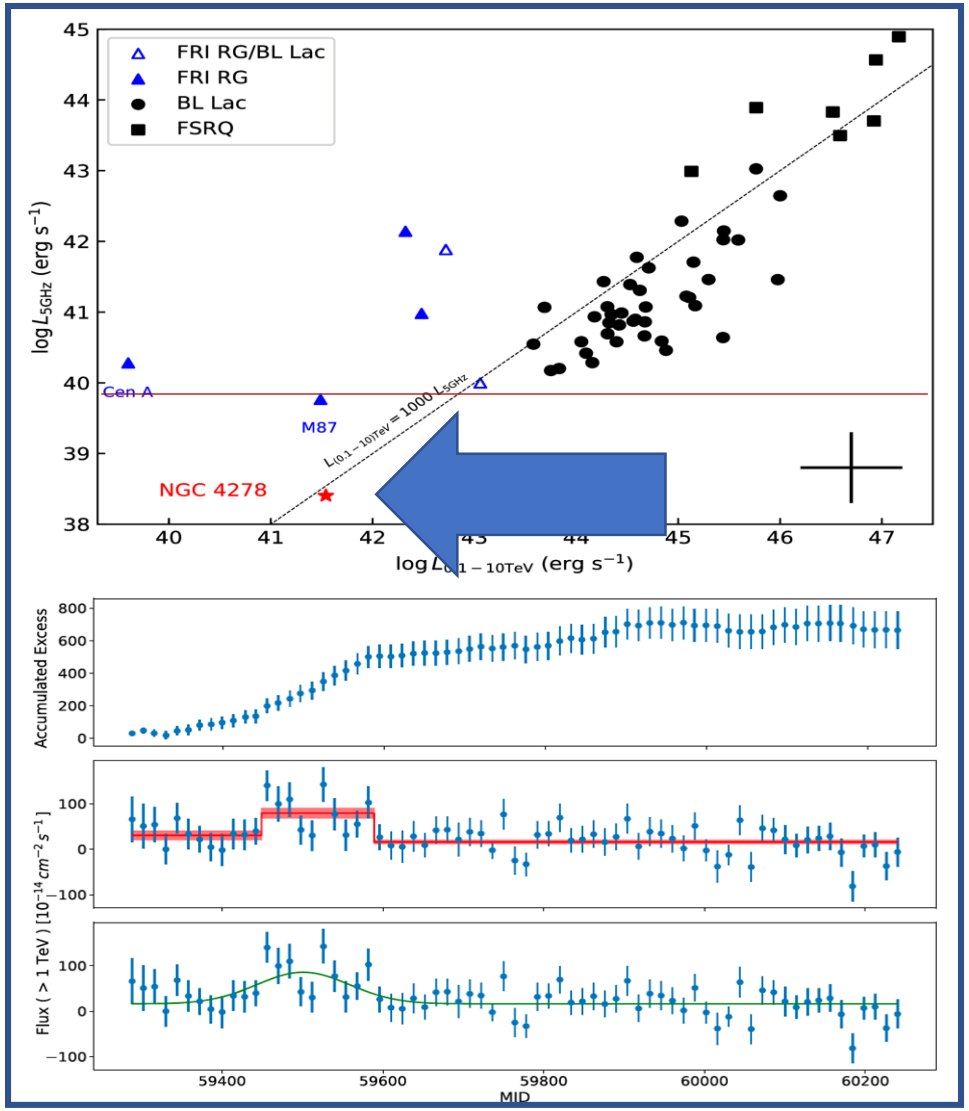
- The 1st Low luminosity AGN @ TeV NGC 4279
- First time measured the **duty cycle** for M87 and Mrk 421 etc.
- The size of the TeV emission is ~ few Schwarzchild radii of SMBHs

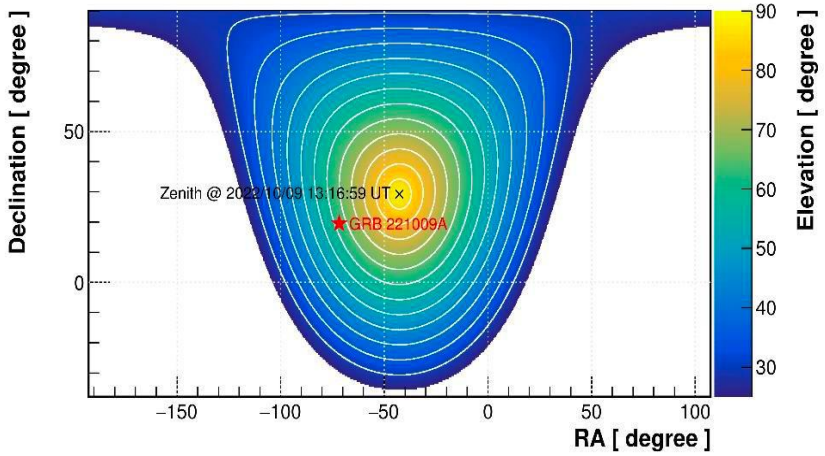


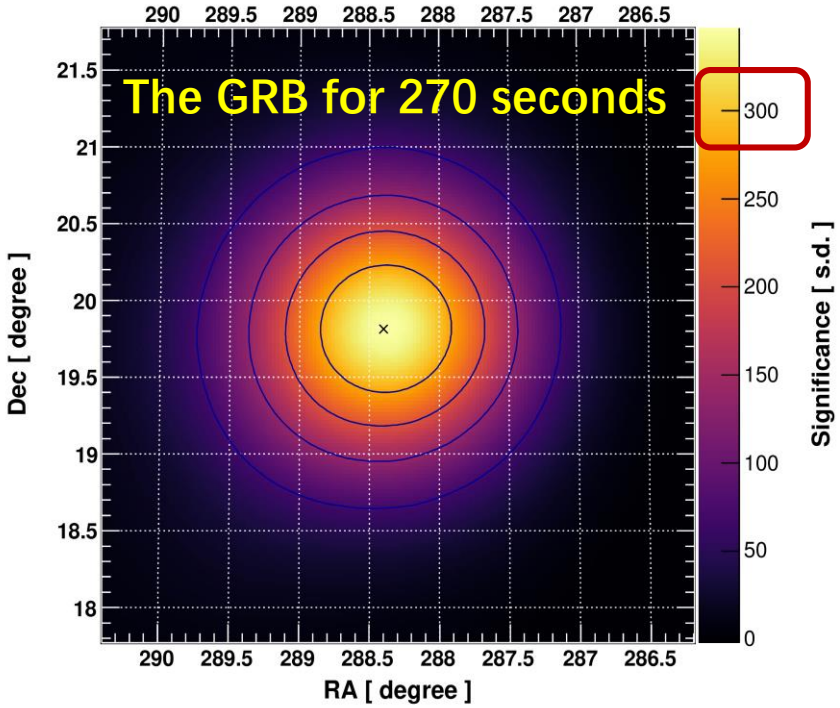


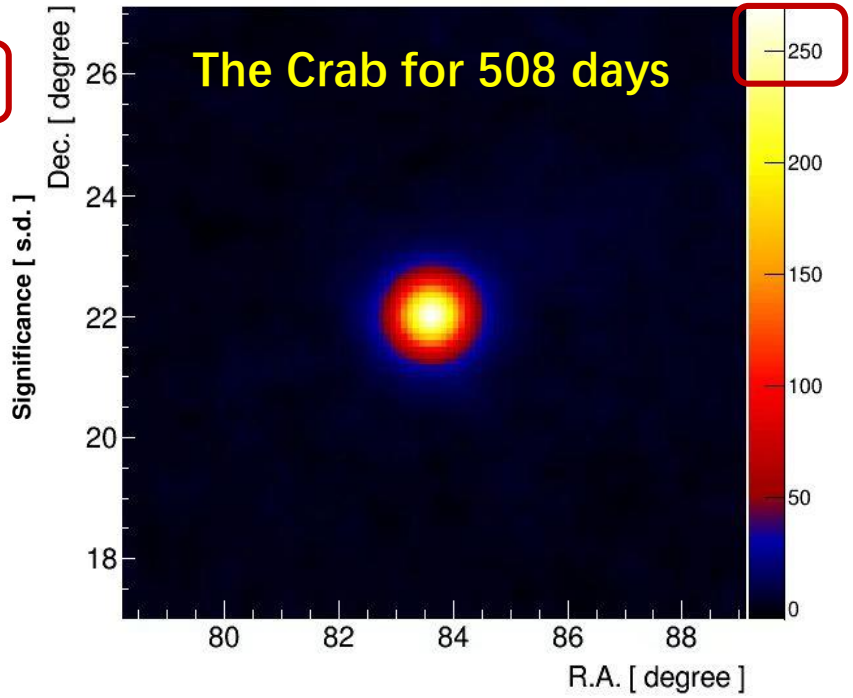
GRB: Even much less chance for it in the middle of FoV of LHAASO

- The burst of 64k photons in **270 seconds** versus the exposure of the Crab for 508 days

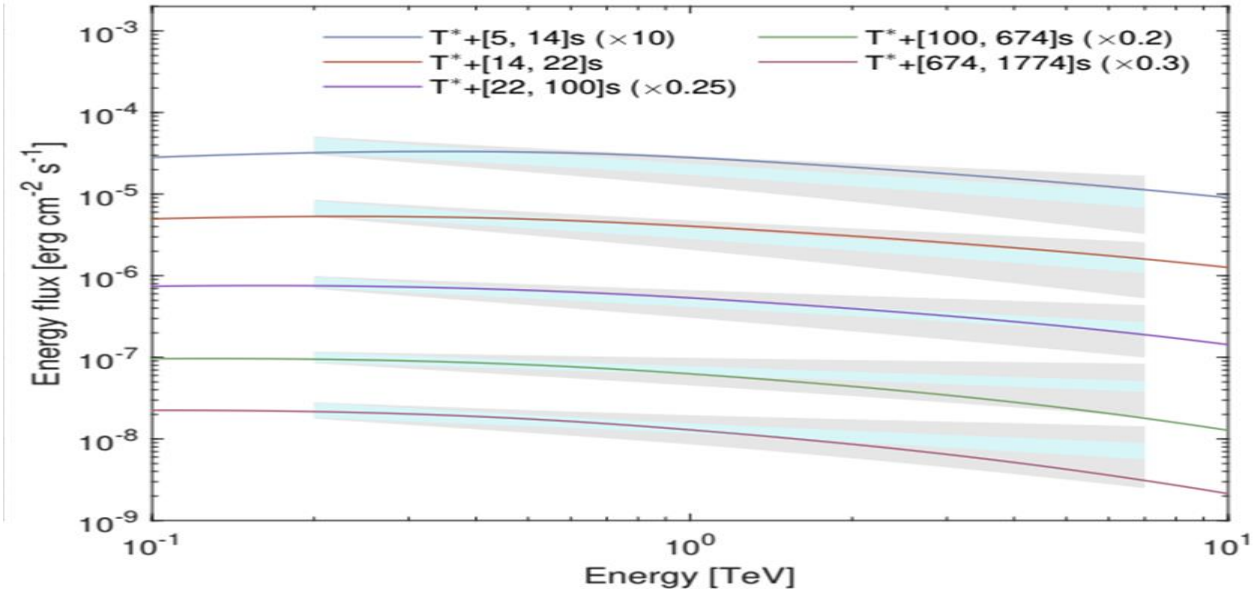
- LHAASO FoV at the GRB started

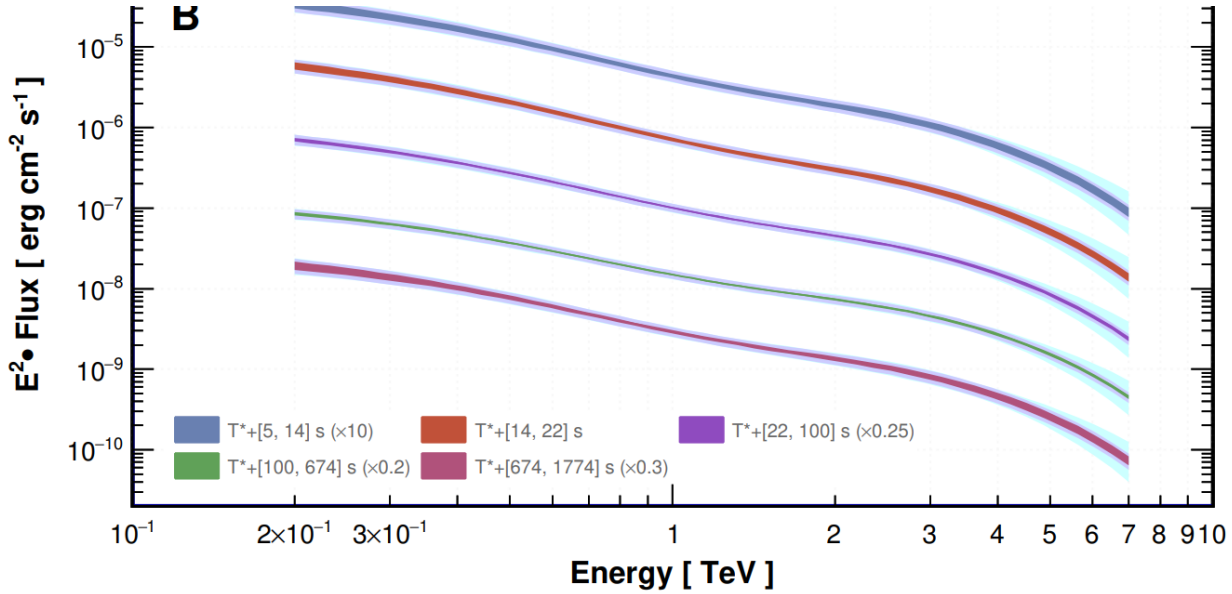




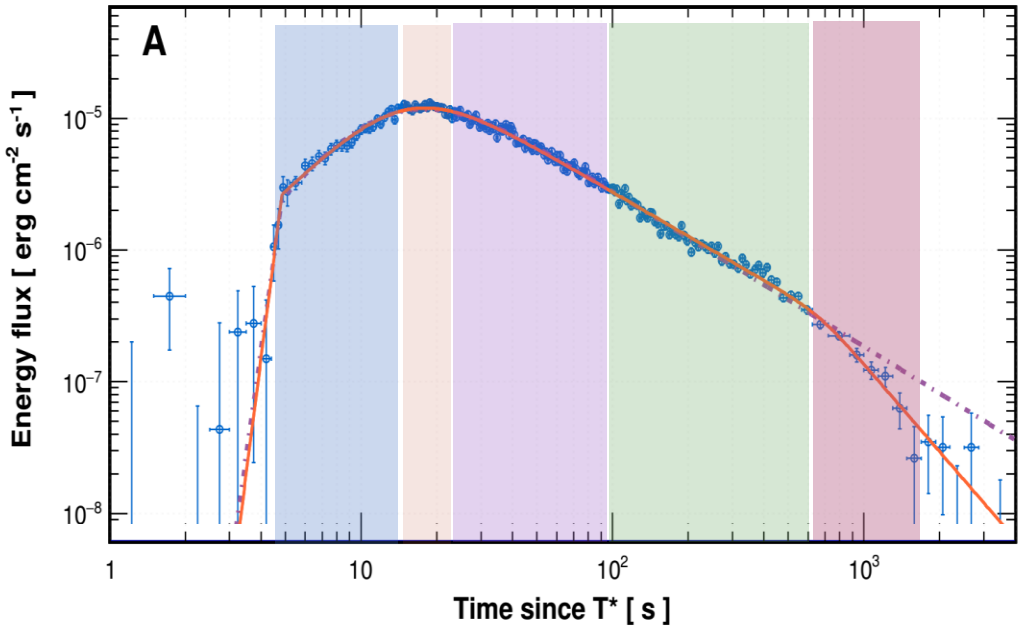


Light-curve and Time-sliding SEDs:





- z ~ 0.152, EBL absorption above 3 TeV
- EBL model: A. Saldana-Lopez et al., Mon. Not. R. Astron. Soc. 507, 5144-5160 (2021)
- Intrinsic SED:
  - Power law: ~$E^{-2.3}$
  - No hint about cut-off below 10 TeV
  - Moderate spectral evolution is observed



EBL: GRB 221009A (z~0.152)
Blazars (130 Mpc)、M87/NGC 4278 (~16 Mpc)

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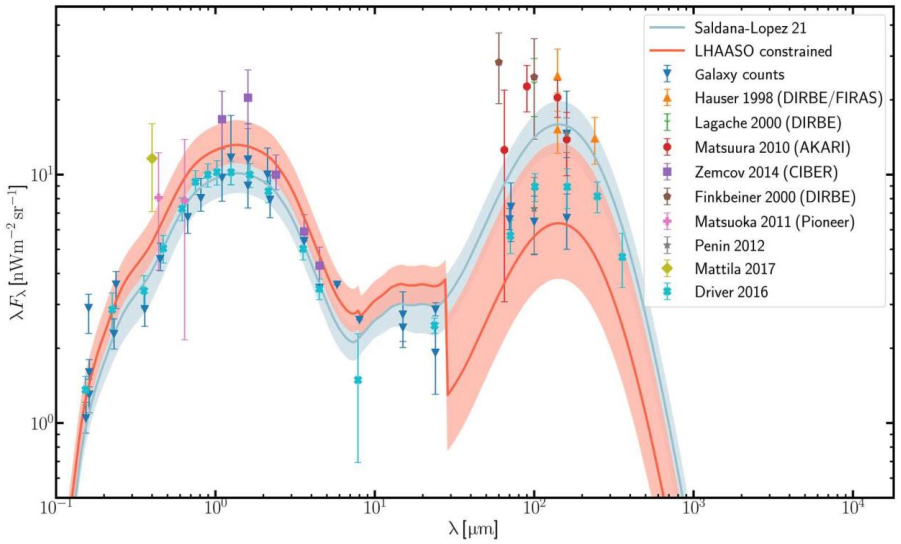
Extra Background Light



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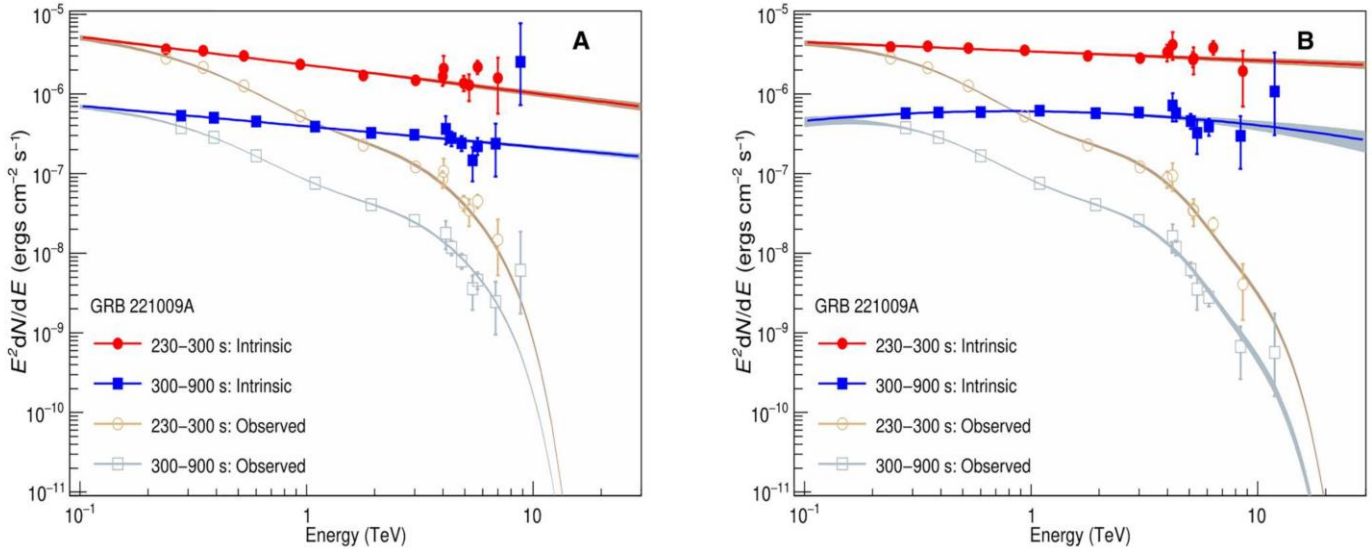
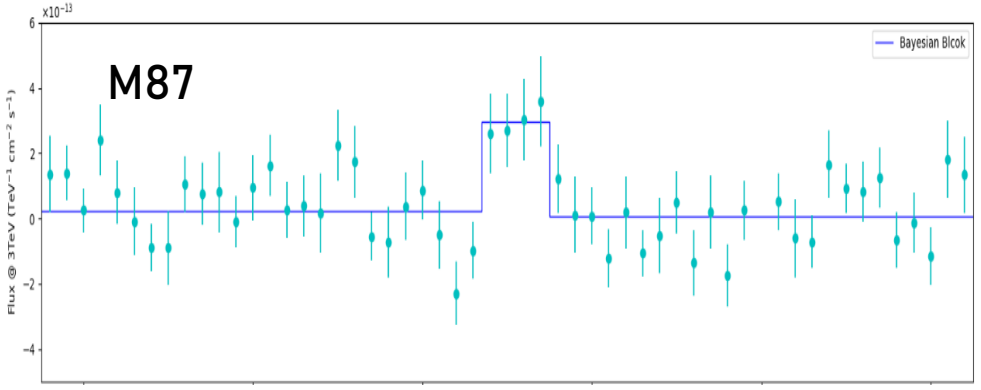
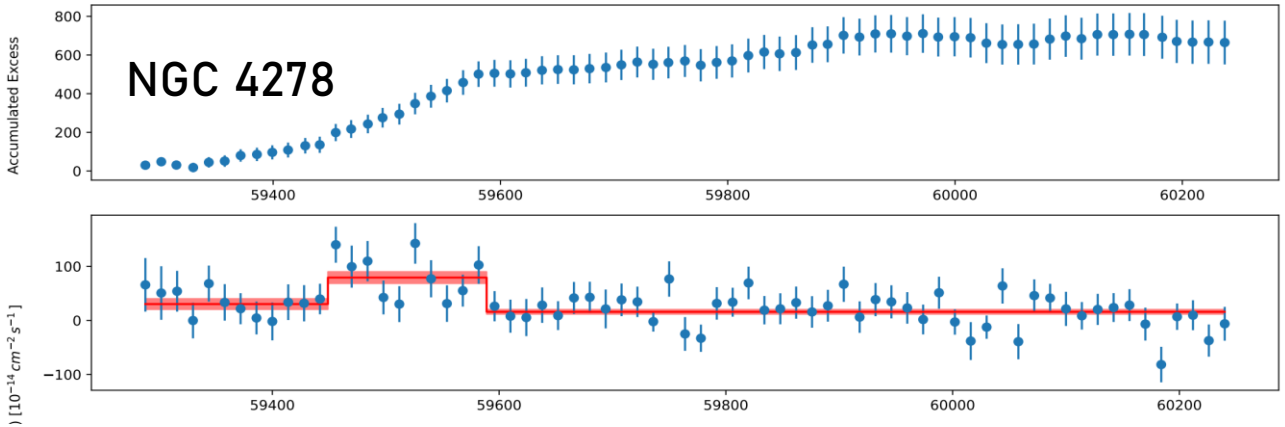
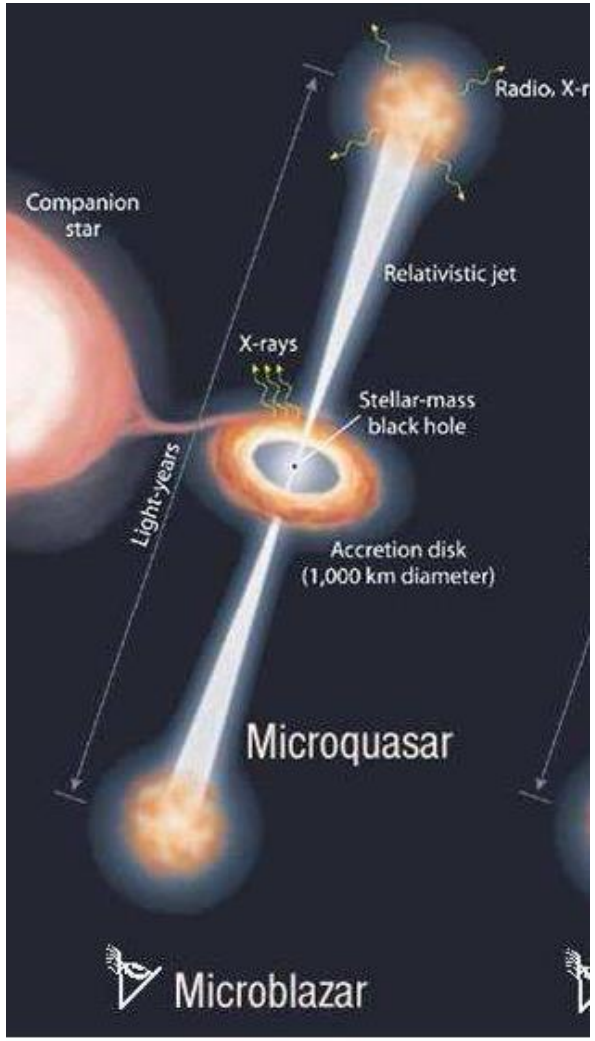






Micro-Quasars: UHE γ-emitters?

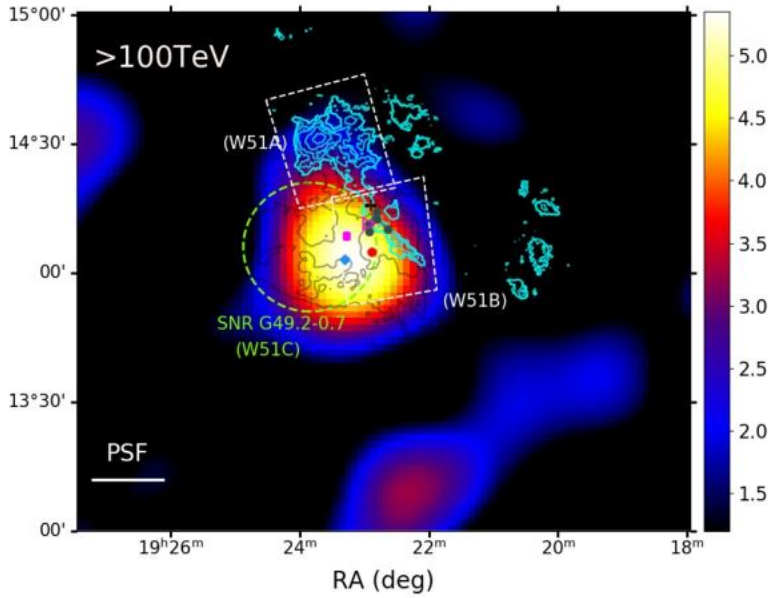
- ~20 μ-Quasars has been found in the MW
- 12 μ-Quasars in the FoV of LHAASO
- A systematic survey for the UHE radiation from them is done

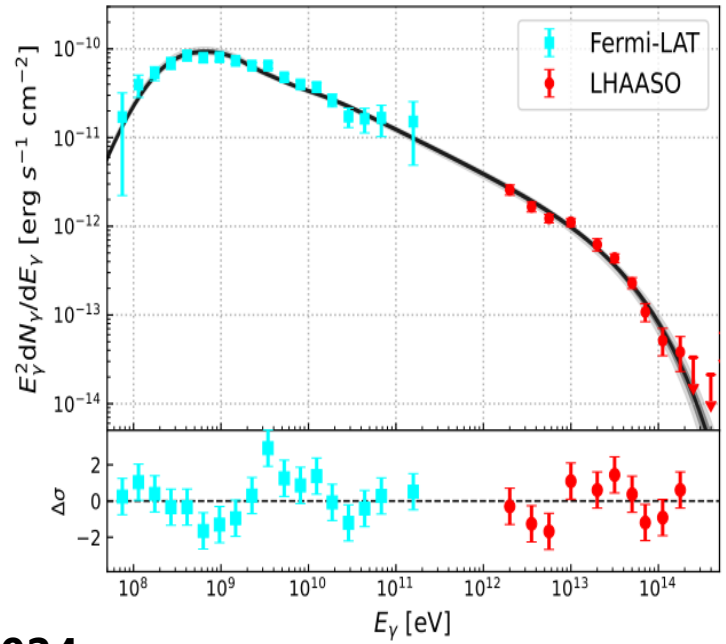


Microquasar	Distance (kpc)
SS 433 E.	
SS 433 W.	4.6 ± 1.3 [32]
SS 433 central	
V4641 Sgr	6.2 ± 0.7 [33]
GRS 1915+105	9.4 ± 0.6 [34]
MAXI J1820+070	2.96 ± 0.33 [35]
Cygnus X-1	2.2 ± 0.2 [36]
XTE J1859+226	4.2 ± 0.5 [37]
GS 2000+251	2.7 ± 0.7 [38]
CI Cam	$4.1^{+0.3}_{-0.2}$ [39]
GRO J0422+32	2.49 ± 0.3 [40]
V404 Cygni	2.39 ± 0.14 [41]
XTE J1118+480	1.7 ± 0.1 [42]
V616 Mon	1.06 ± 0.1 [43]

SNRs: W51 and others

- SNR W51 VHE radiation is found coincidence with the interacting region between SNR and Molecule Clouds
- LHAASO measures the cut-off clearly $E_{p,\mathrm{cut}} = 385^{+65}_{-55}$ TeV
- SNRs likely not to contribute the CRs above the knee





- γ-Cygni
- G-106
- G-150.3+4.5
- ……
- Young SNRs?
- Cas A

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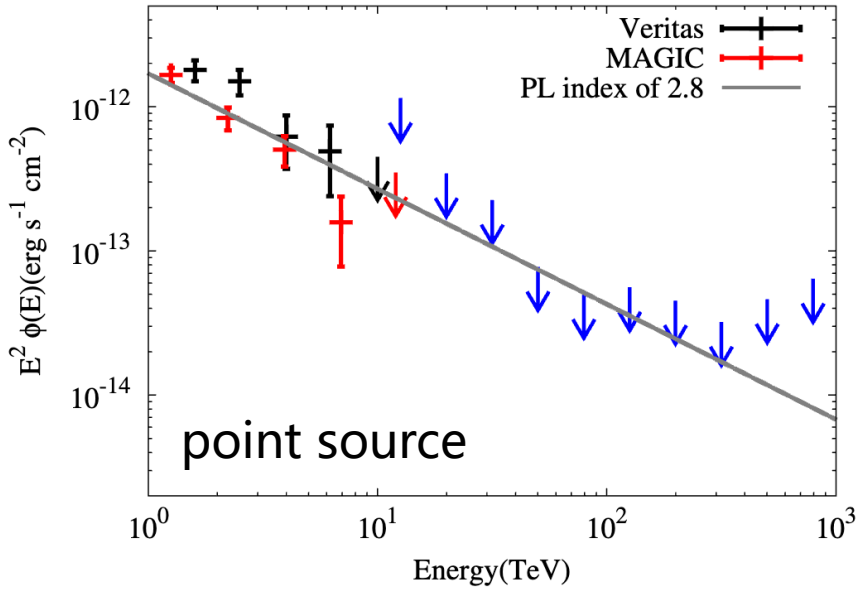
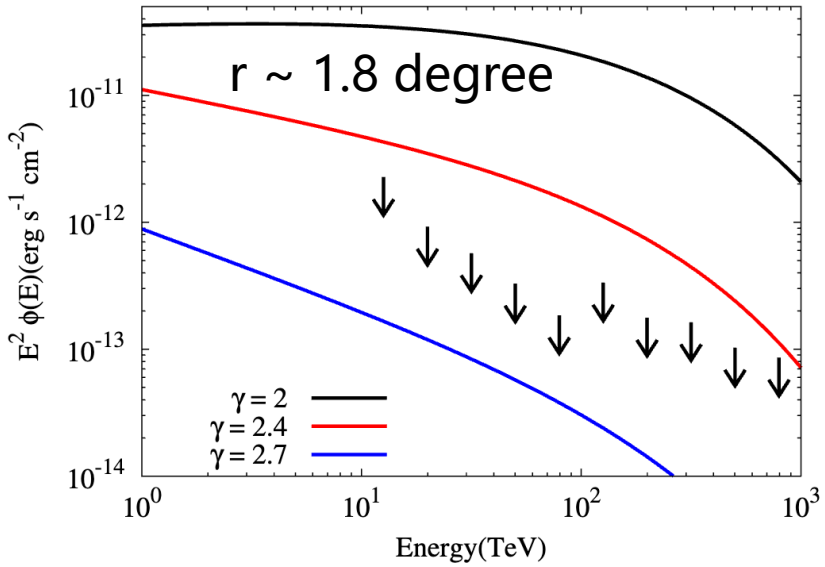
Upper limit on SNR Cas A

Using KM2A upper limit to constrain the total CR injected by Cas A

LHAASO collaboration, ApJL, 961, 43

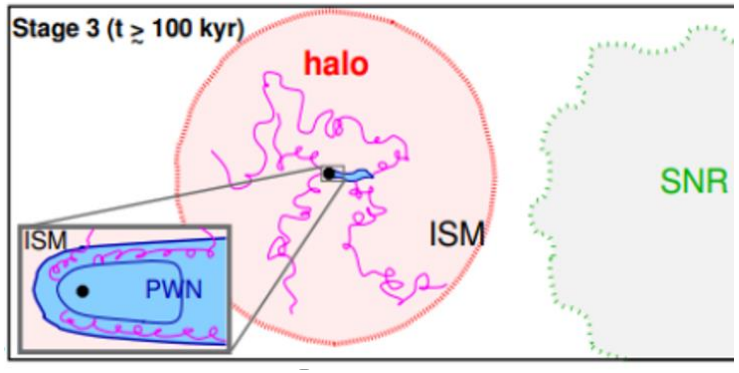


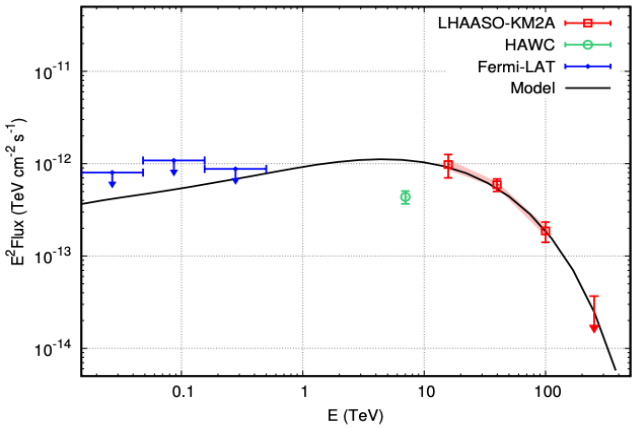


- Stringent upper limit was set for the total VHE CRs injected by Cas A since explosion
- hints for other candidates of PeVatrons

TeV Halo: Pulsars have halos of electrons

- **Diffuse coefficient of the electrons is 100 times smaller than that in ISM**
- **Cut-off structure <100 TeV**



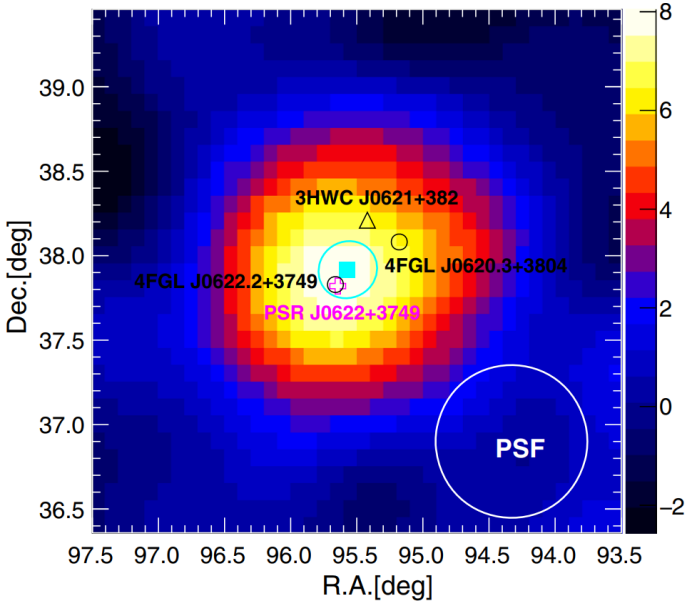


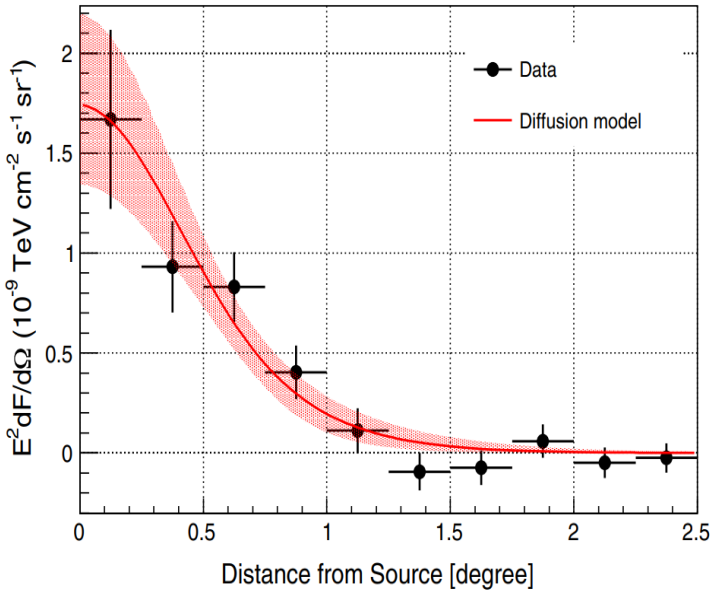
PSR J0622+3749: age~21万年
Distance ~1.6 kpc

$$f(\theta) \propto \frac{1}{\theta_d(\theta + 0.085\theta_d)} \exp[-1.54(\theta/\theta_d)^{1.52}]$$

$$D \approx (8.9^{+4.5}_{-3.9}) \times 10^{27} (d/1.6\ \mathrm{kpc})^2\ \mathrm{cm^2\ s^{-1}}$$

$$E_e \sim 160\ \mathrm{TeV}$$





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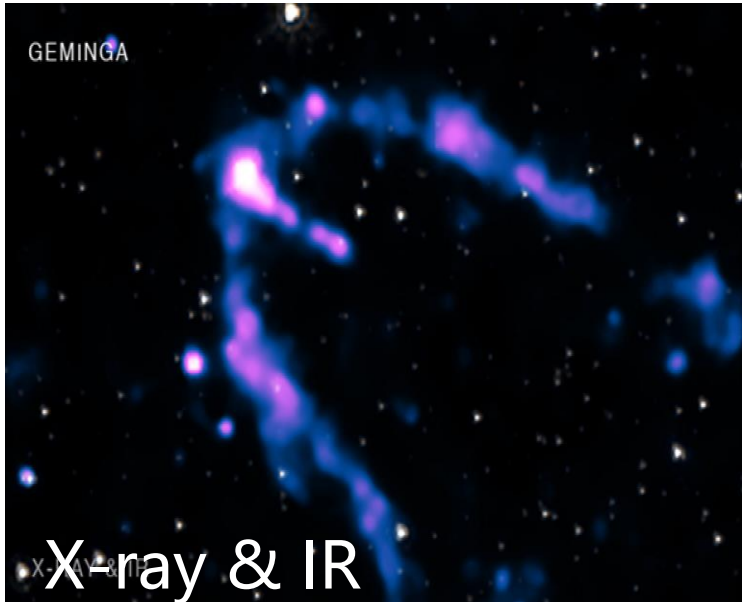
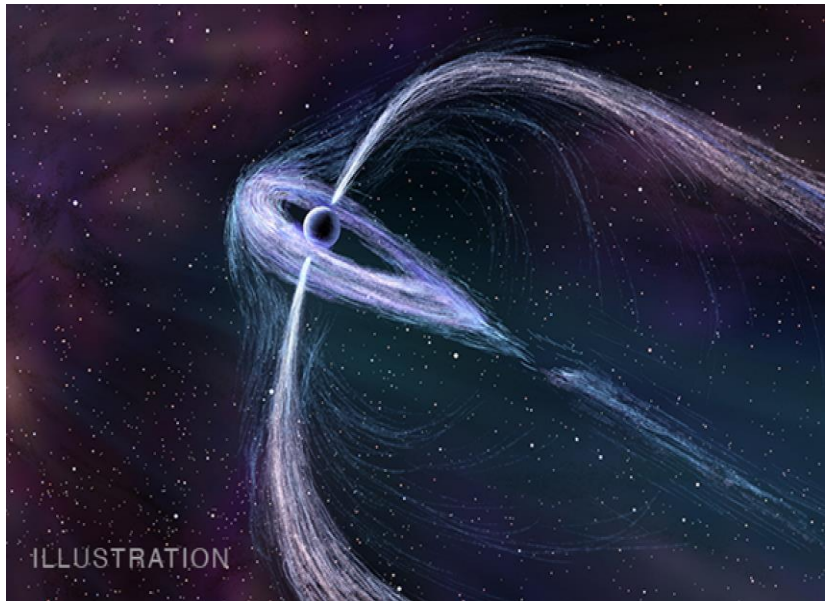
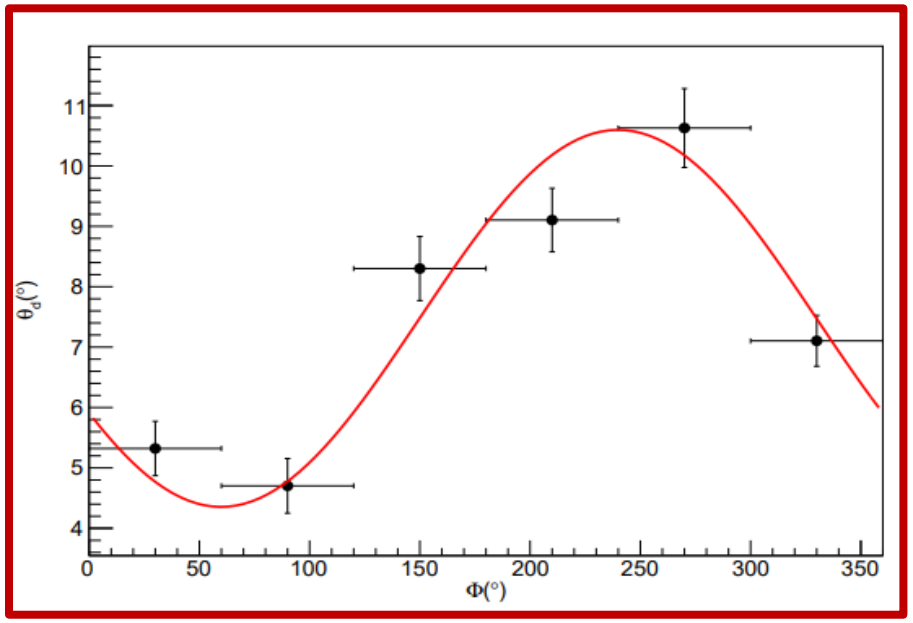
Asymmetric slow diffusion in TeV Halos

- **Geminga，age~340 kyr, distance~250 pc**
- **Slow diffusion**

Preliminary



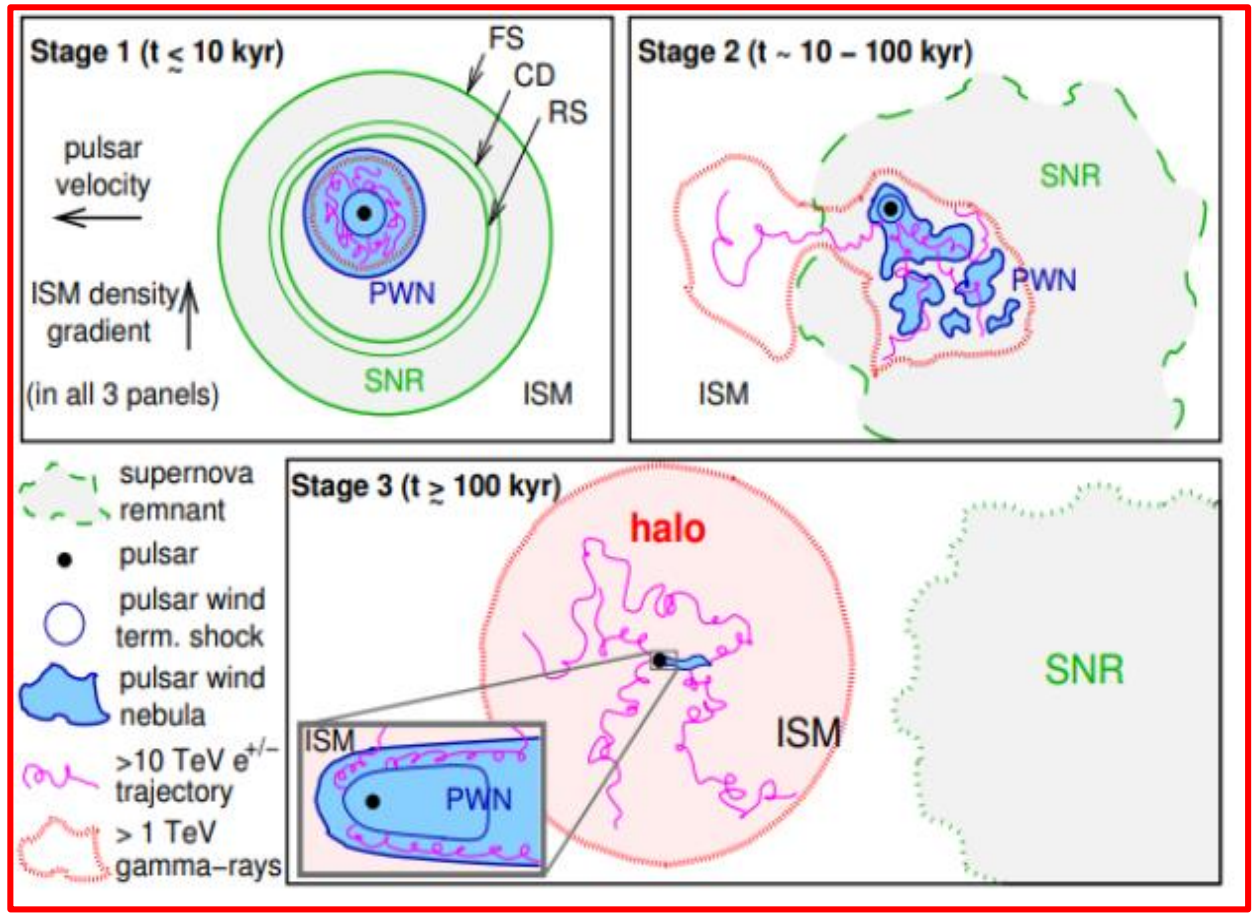




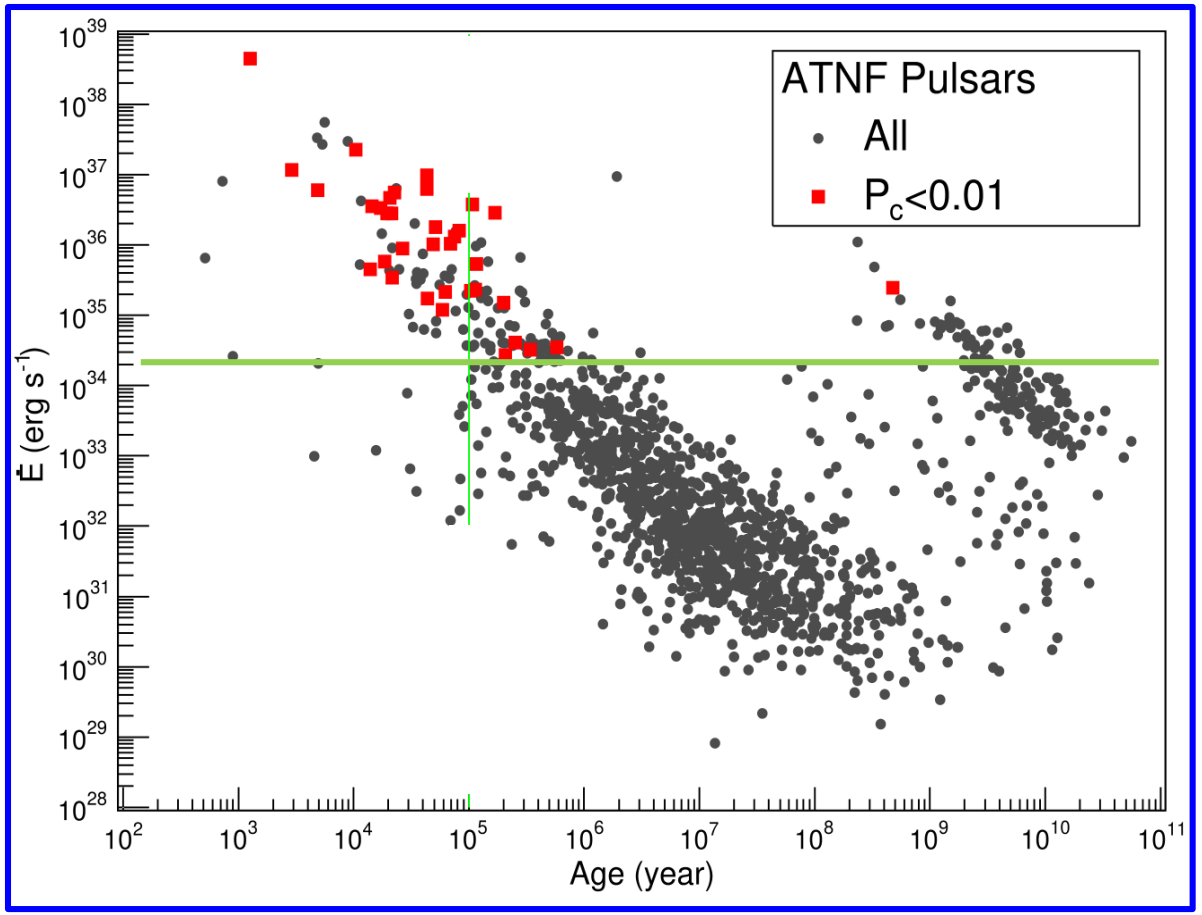
See X.J. Bi’ s talk on 28th

PWNe: the largest population in LHAASO catalog

Evolution of PWNe



LHAASO PWNe



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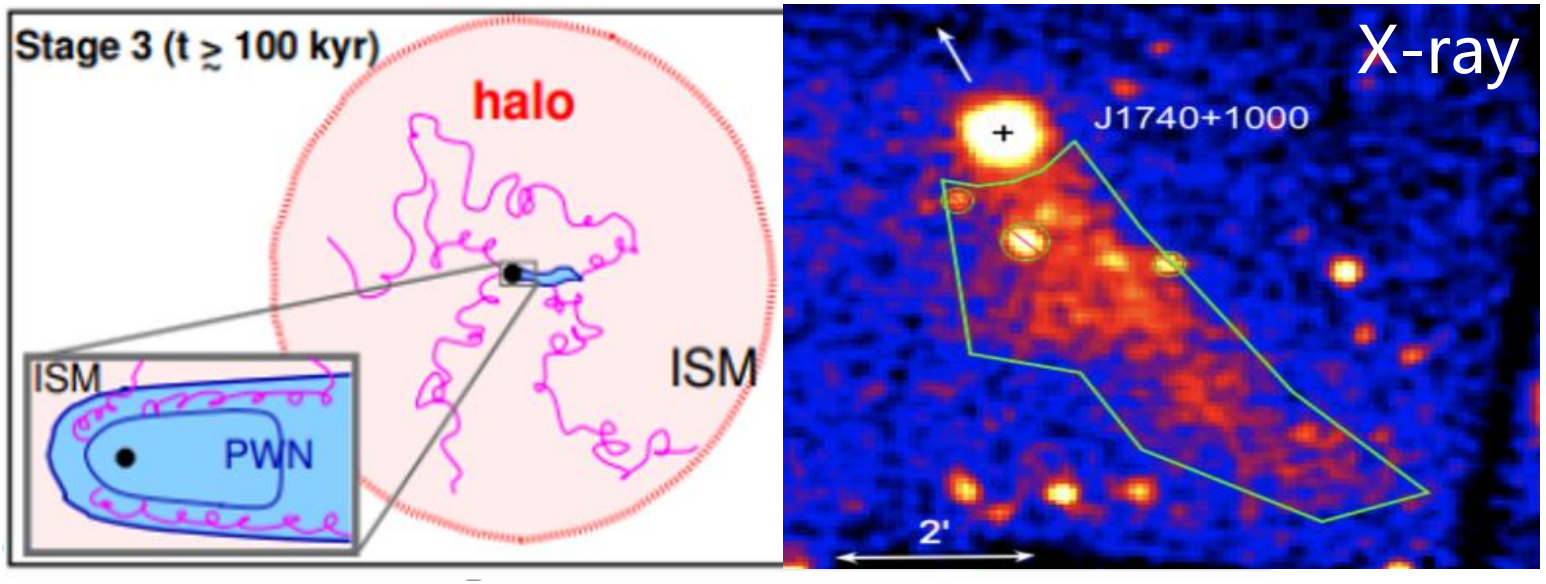
发现弓激波型脉冲星风云尾部超高能辐射

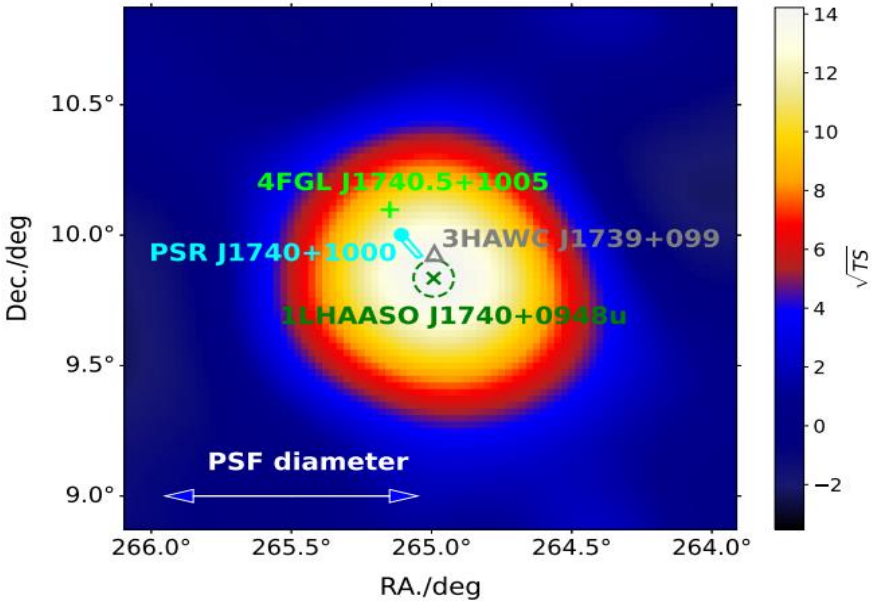
- 未发现预期的晕结构(高银纬环境有关?)
- 首次在尾部发现超高能辐射
- 在尾部可能存在新的加速过程?

脉冲星：PSR J1740+1000

特征年龄：11万年

距离：1.4 kpc





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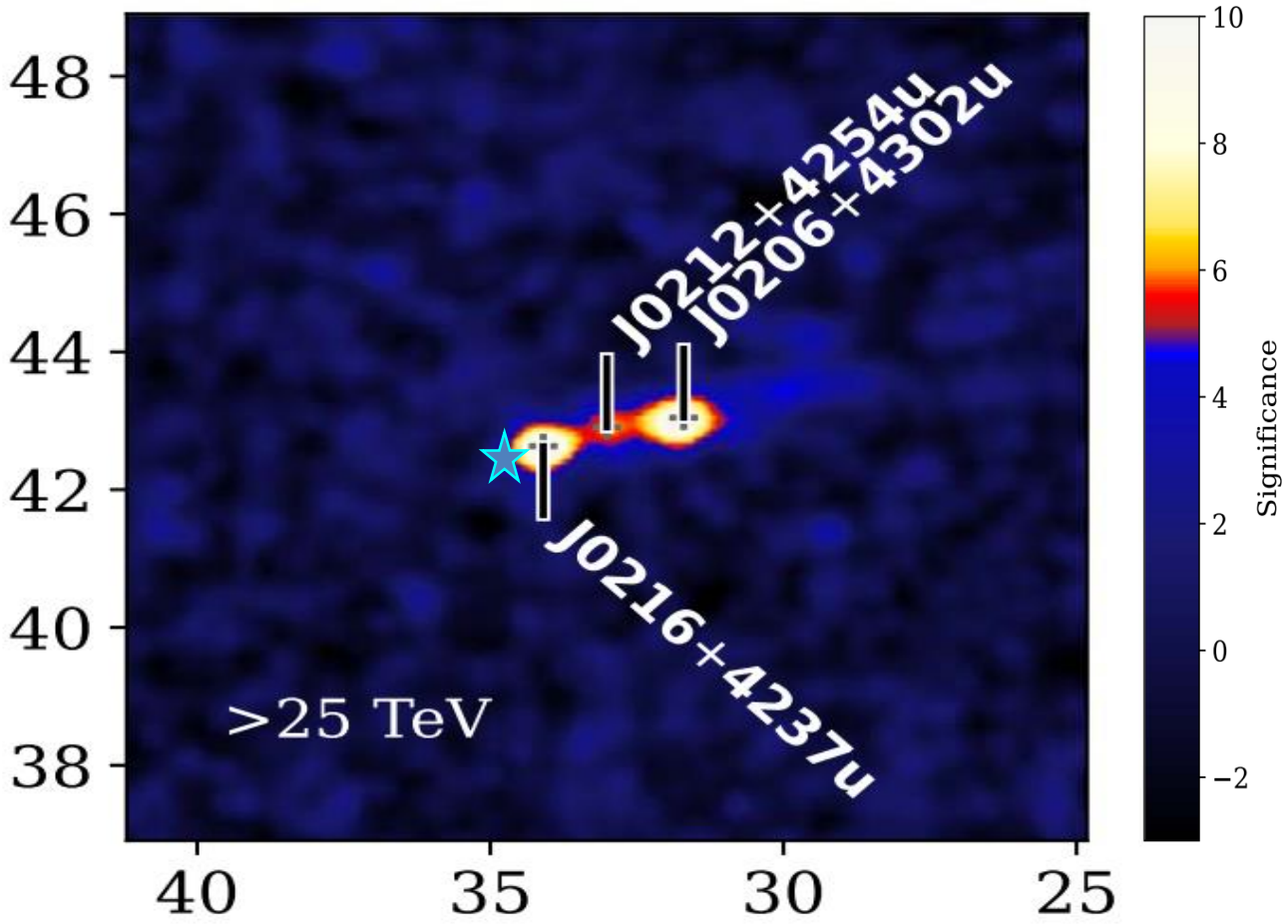
发现与毫秒脉冲星相关的新型超高能辐射天体

- **脉冲星：** PSR J0218+4232 (MSP)
- **特征年龄：** 4.76 亿年
- **距离：** 3.15 kpc
- **主要挑战：传播？加速？**

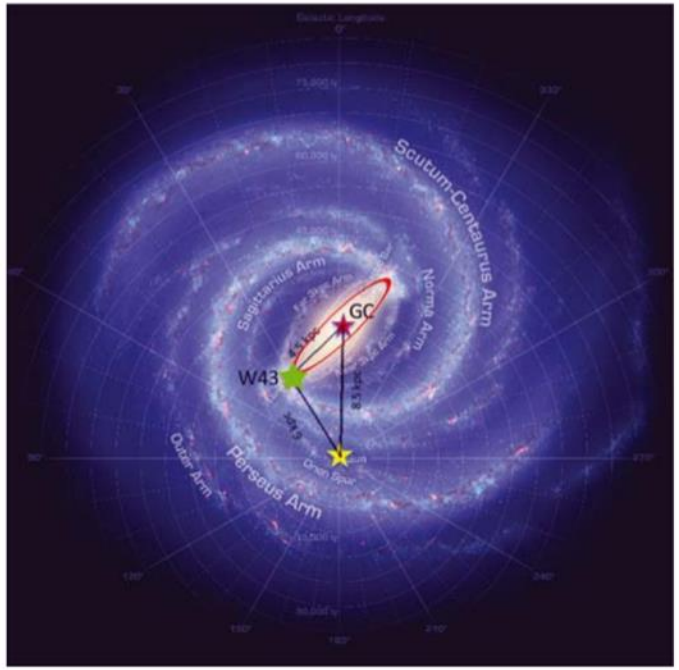


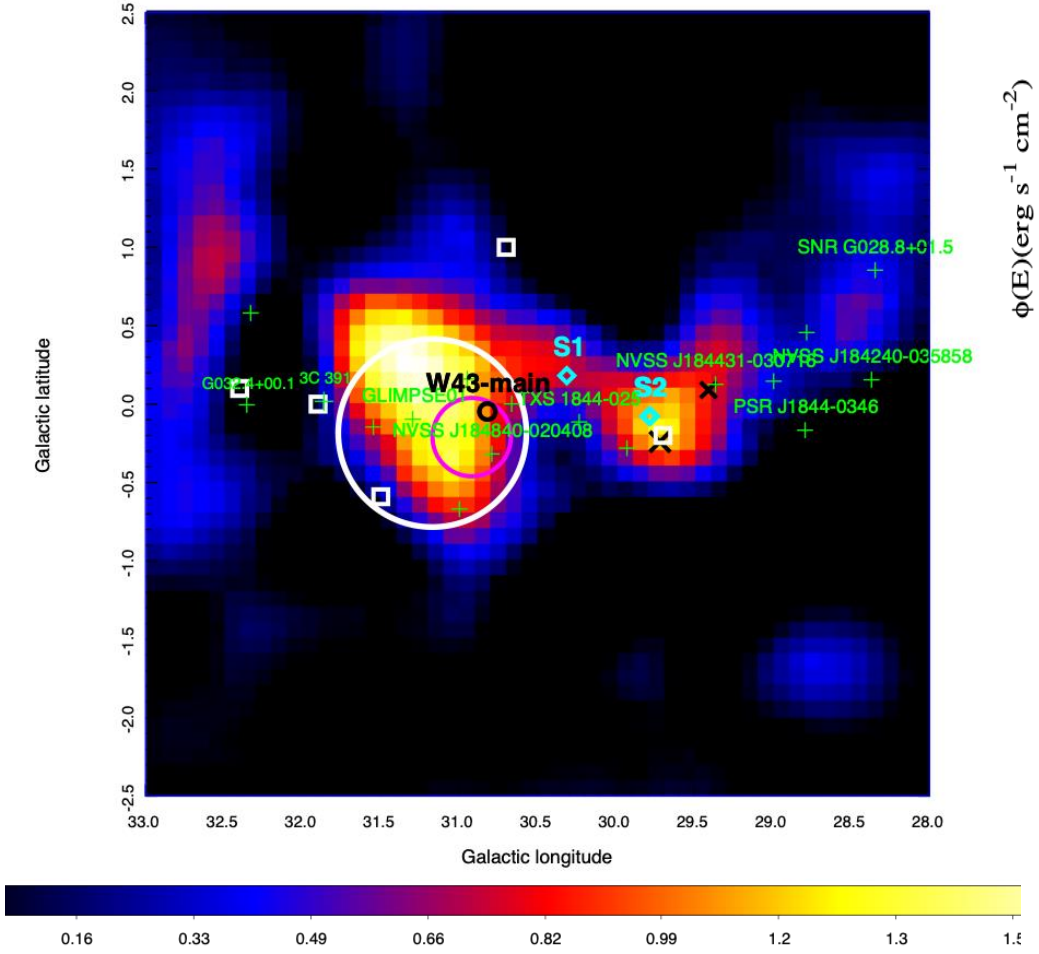
YMSC: a CR source population

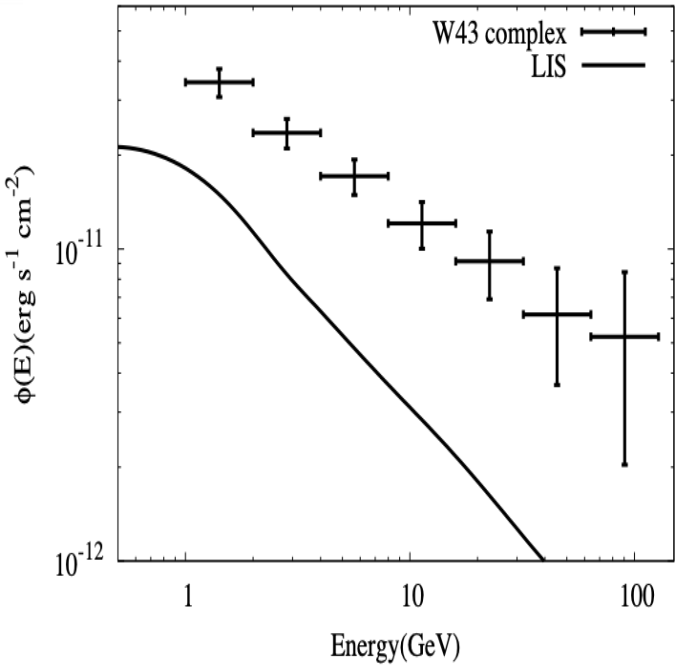
- Cygnus Bubble: 1st super-PeVatron
- W43: seems not to be a PeVatron
- We need to carefully estimate the contribution of YMSC as a source population to CRs above the knee

Galactic mini starburst W43

- Galactic mini star burst
- Contribute 10% of the Galactic star formation rate
- Huge HII region excited by central WR/OB cluster
- GeV detection







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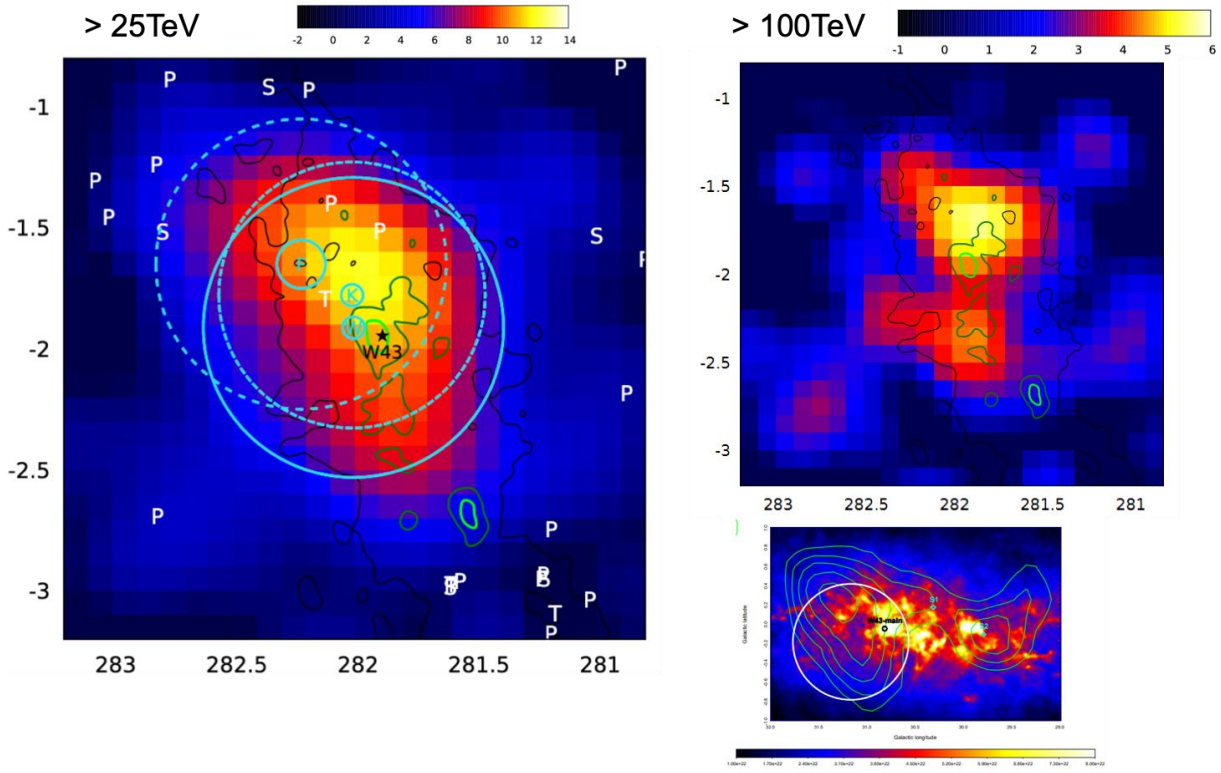
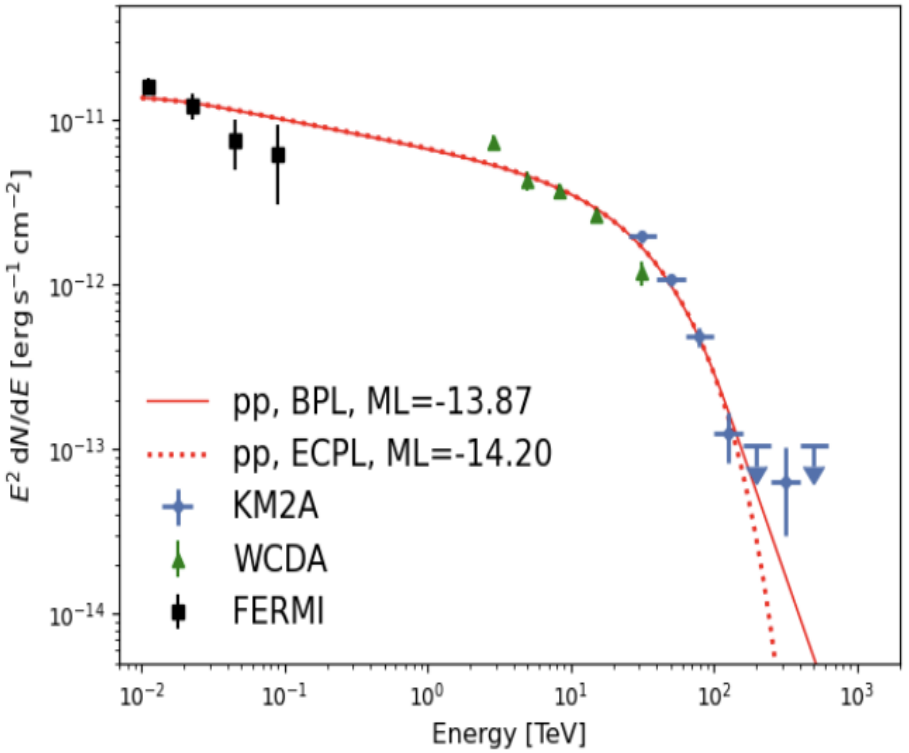


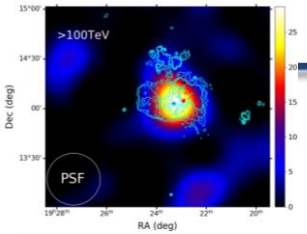


- UHE gamma-ray emission reveal good correlation with dense gas
- Physical size similar to Cygnus cocoon (~ 50 pc)
- Spectrum up to ~ 400 TeV

Cosmic ray Sources

1. W51
2. The Cygnus Bubble
3. Black Holes： SS 433, V4641 etc.
4. γ-ray Binaries
5. Extreme accelerators： Crab and others

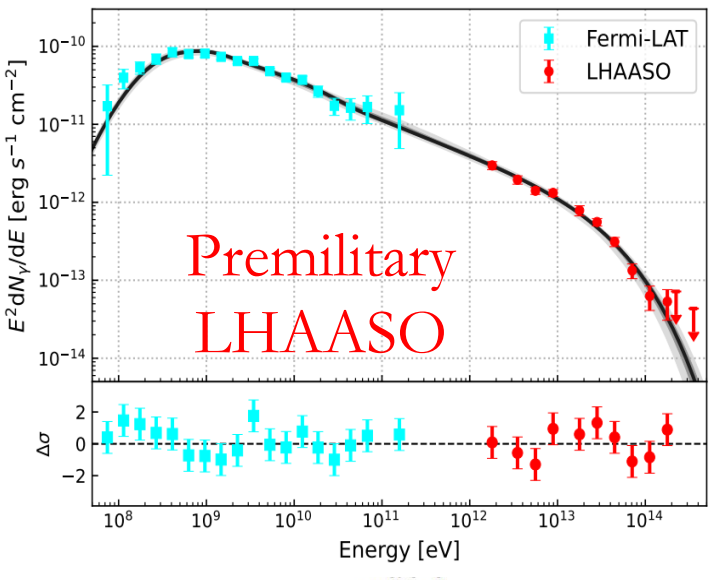
Cosmic Ray Source Candidates



W51C

Crab

G.C. by IACTs



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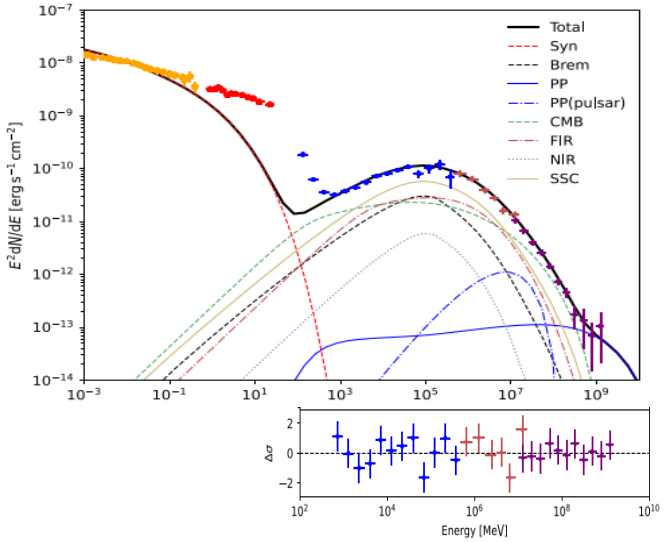

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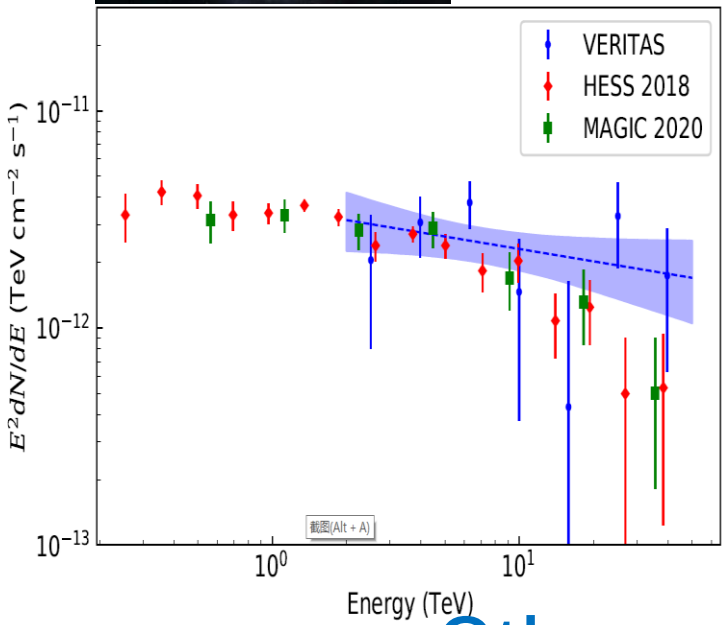

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Other sources

Many types of sources have the potential to accelerate particles to 1 PeV and above

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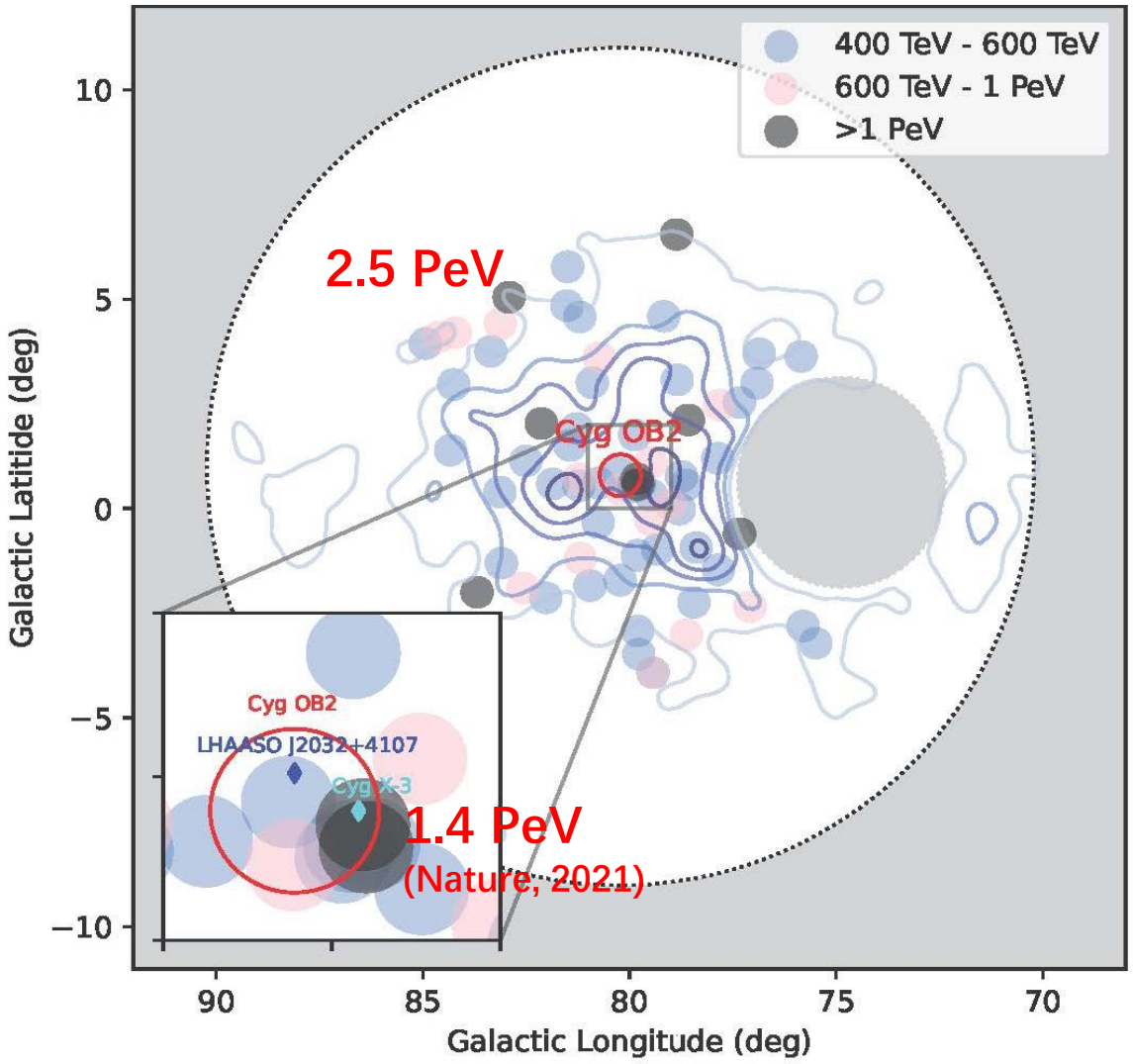
A Bubble of UHE γ's centered at a complex core

Cygnus OB2, binary J2032+4107, Binary X-3



8 γ's above 1 PeV!

Energy (TeV)	Ne	Nu	Theta (deg)	Dr (m)
1087	5904	13	19.4	143
1188	5480	14	34.4	73
1208	6939	13	14.2	131
1350	6938	8	27.1	43
1379	6469	9	17.4	52
1421	6258	7	12.7	57
1784	6665	13	18.0	41
2481	13815	29	33.0	99

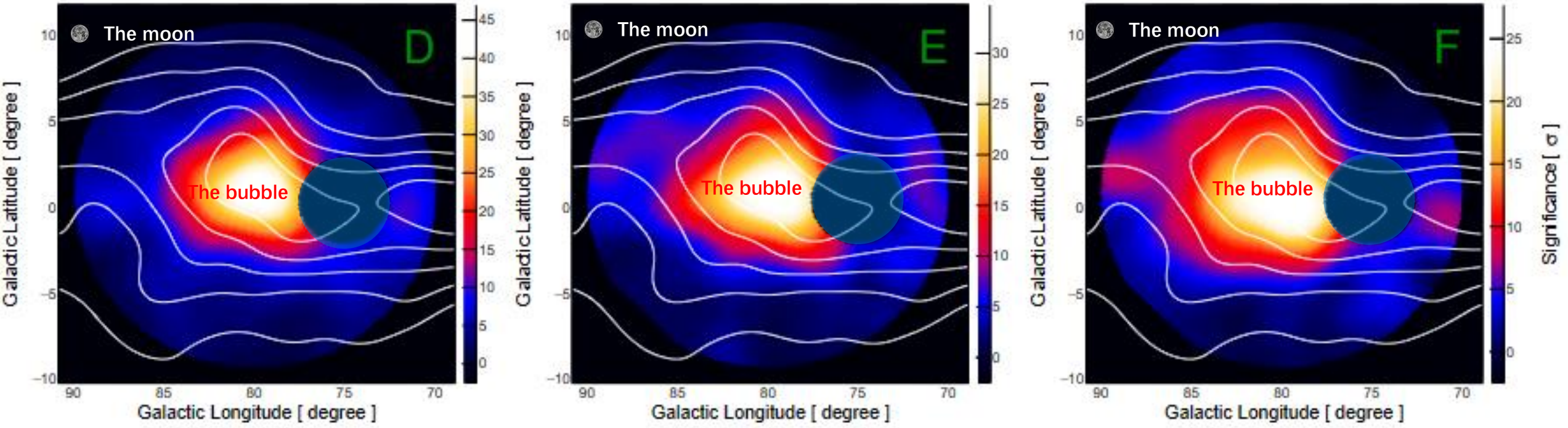
- PeV Photons are scattered in the Bubble, and seem not to associate with any small scale sources

Association with HI gas distribution over ~200 pc

- The significance map is smoothed with a Gaussian kernel=1.0°
- The contour is from HI4PI 21-cm line survey

◆ Clear correlation with gas distribution indicating a hadronic origin of photons in the Bubble

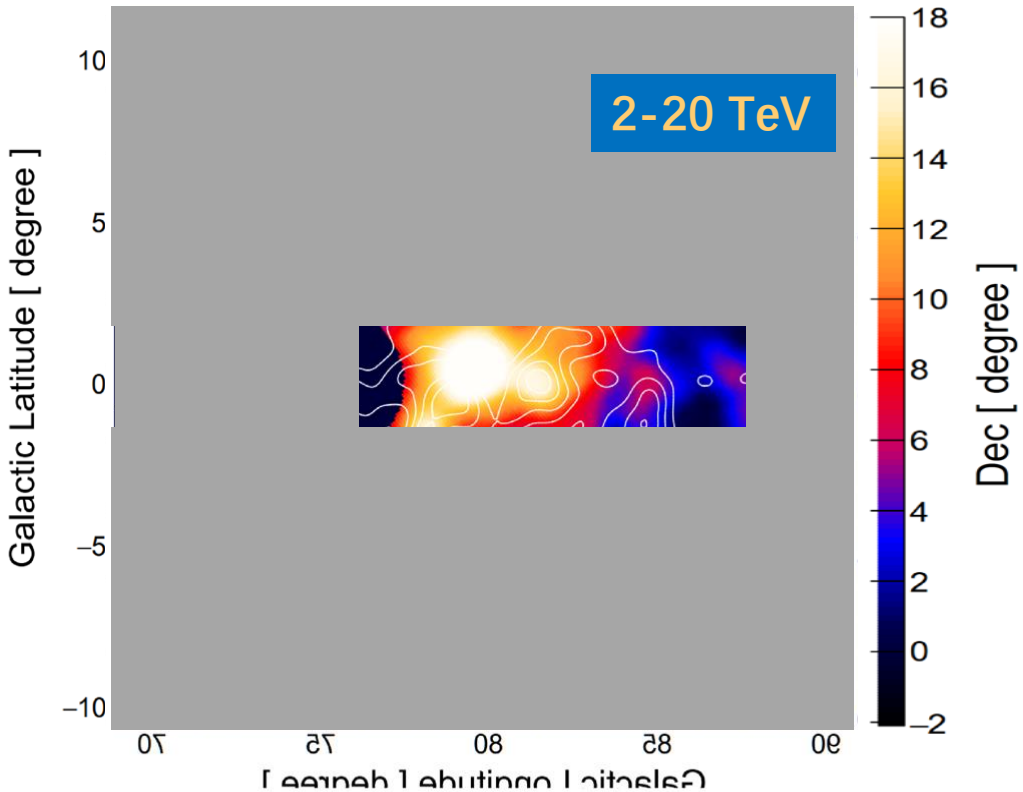
◆ The signal is elongated along the disck and extends to 10°

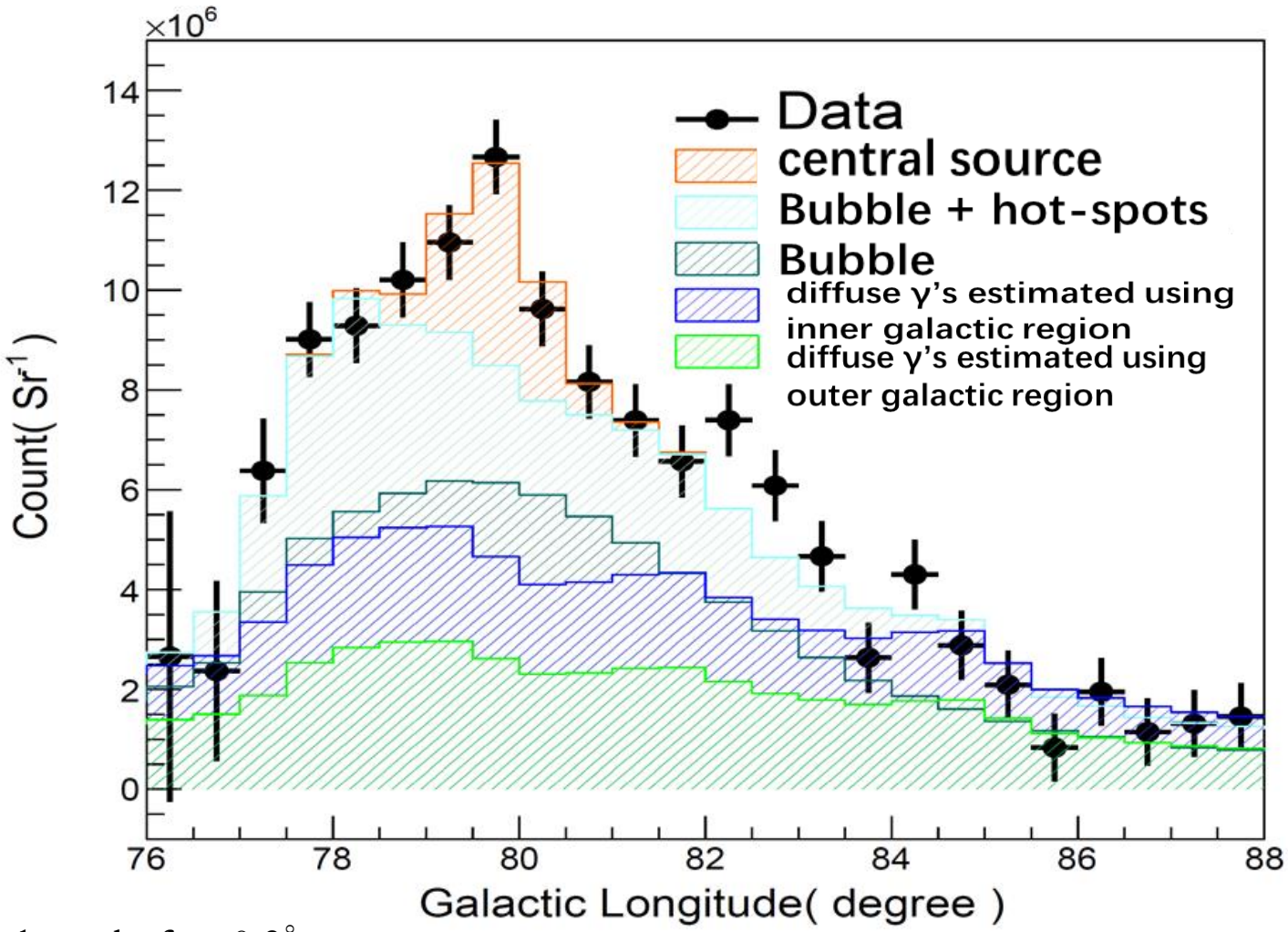


The Bubble at 2-20 TeV by WCDA

1-D Flux in ±2°

Clumpy structure of the Bubble: hot spots

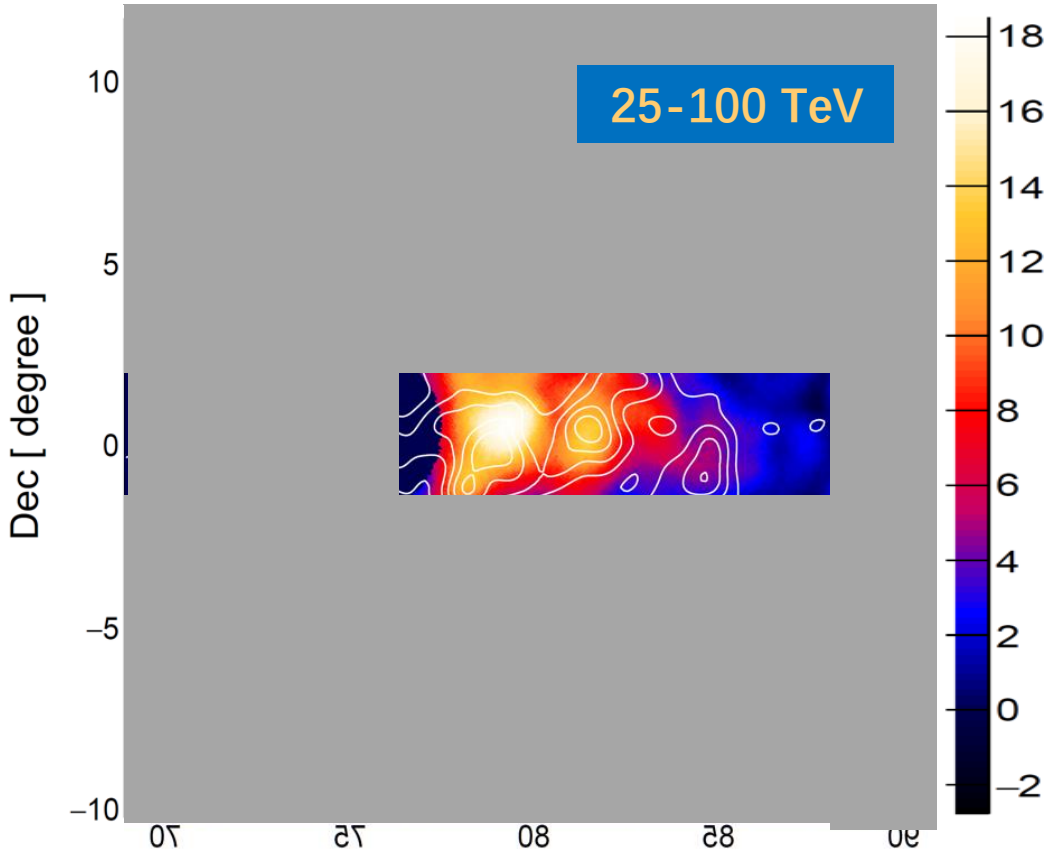


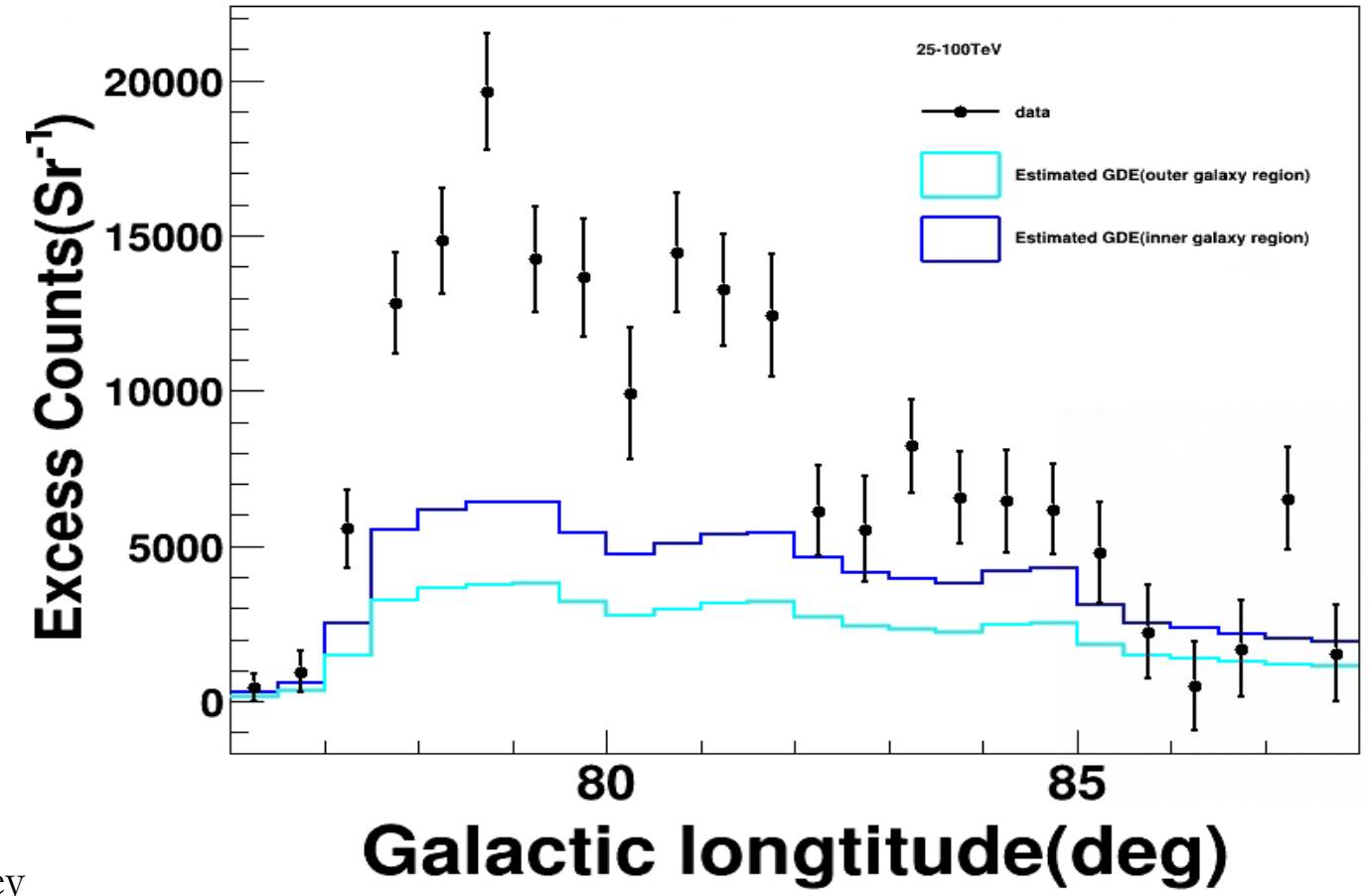


- The contour is from CfA galactic CO survey
- The significance map is smoothed with a Gaussian kernel of $\sigma=0.3^{\circ}$

The Bubble at 25-100 TeV by KM2A

1-D Flux in ±2°





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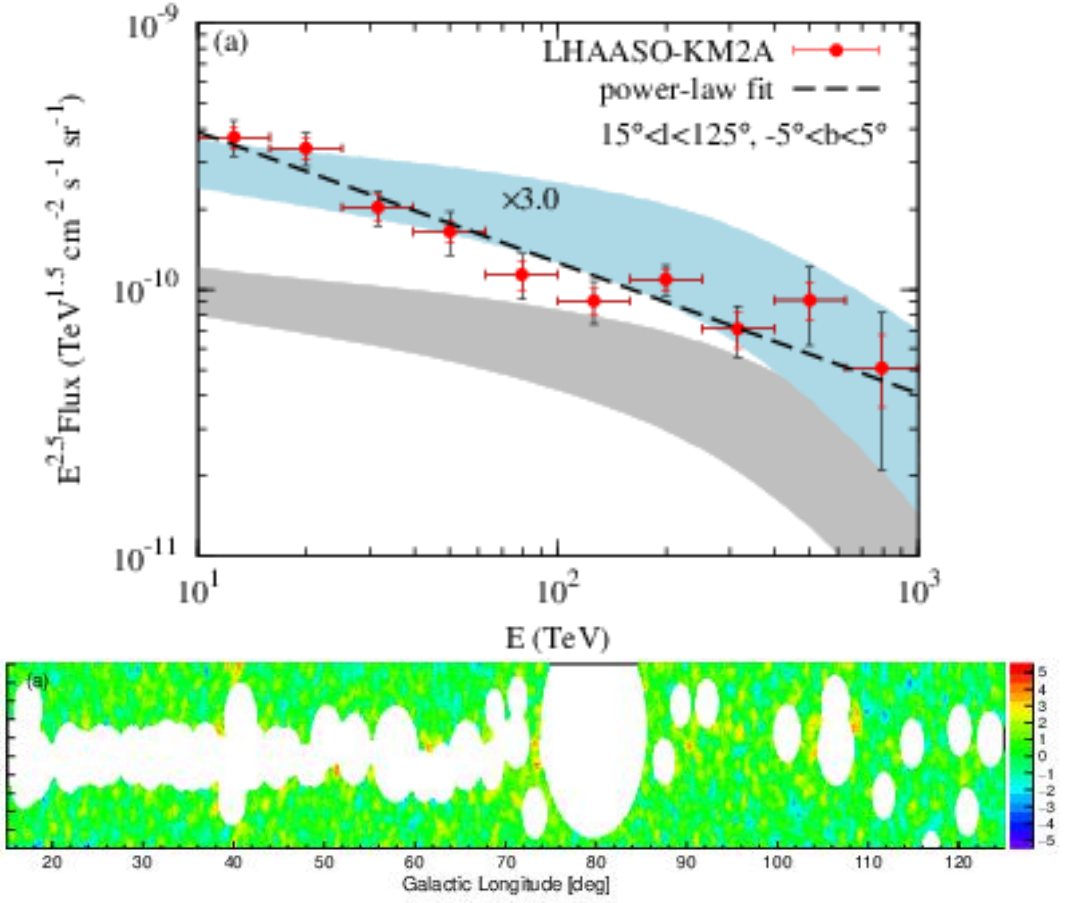
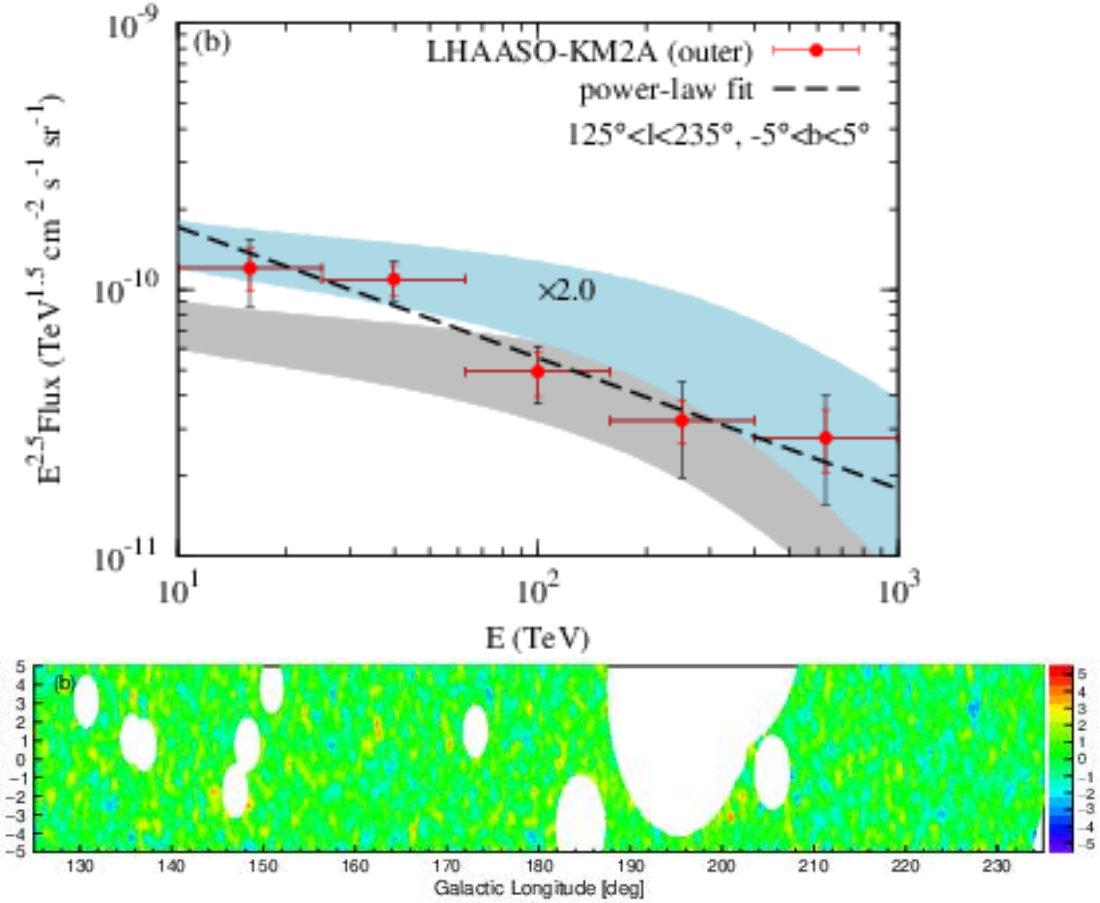
LHAASO measured the Galactic Diffuse Emission

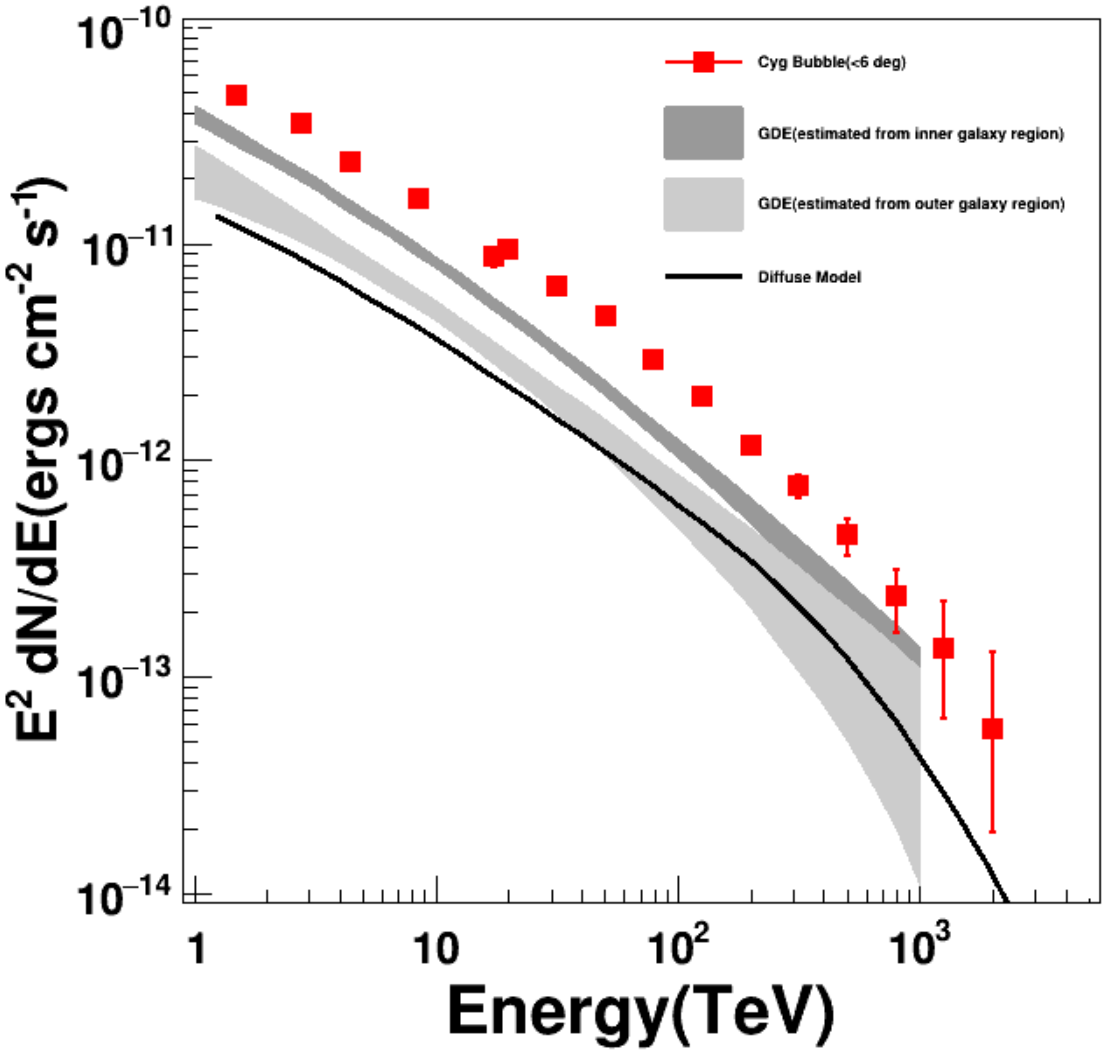
Inner Galactic Region



Outer Galactic Region



Spectral Energy Distribution of the Bubble

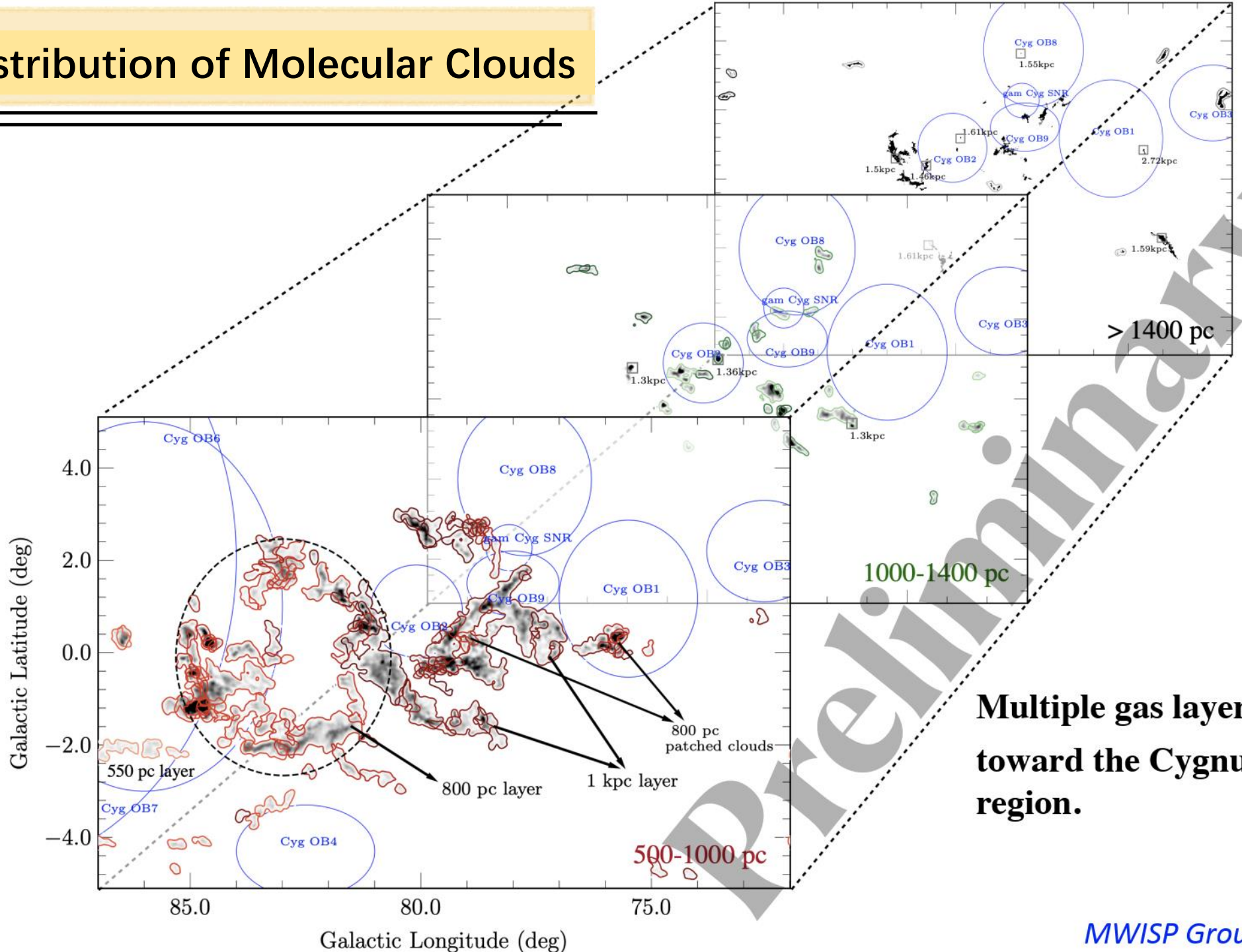


Energy Bin	Non	Nb
400TeV-630TeV	42	6.8
630TeV-1PeV	14	1.9
1PeV-1.6PeV	6	0.6
1.6PeV-2.5PeV	2	0.2

Almost background free

- The spectrum spans 3 decades up to 2 PeV
- Spectral index ~ 2.7
- No indication of cut-off in the spectrum

3-D distribution of Molecular Clouds

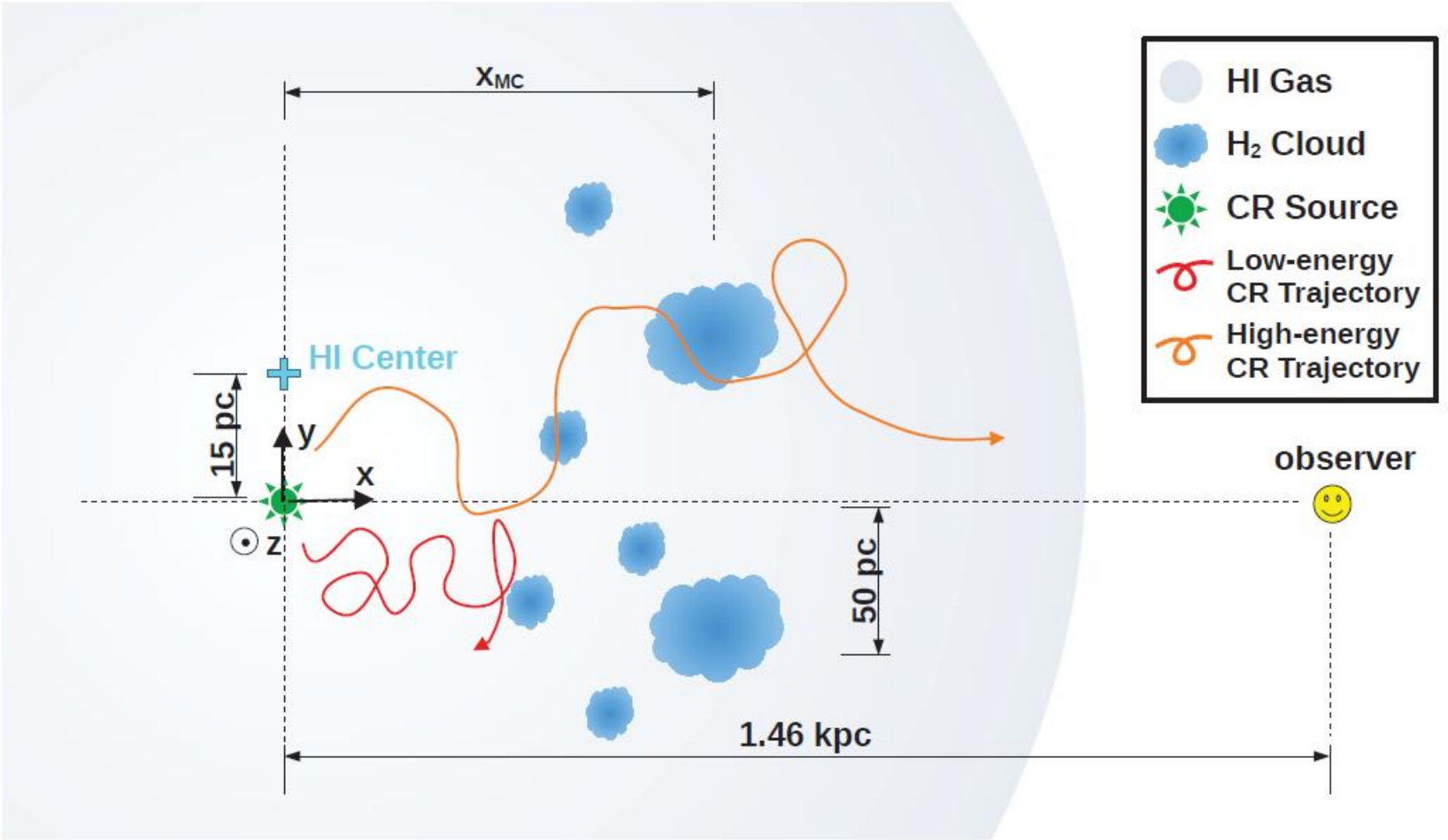


Multiple gas layers toward the Cygnus region.

MWISP Group, to be submitted

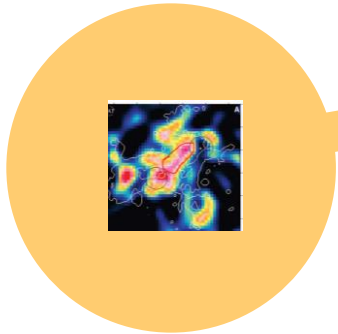
HE Protons injection from the core region

- High energy cosmic rays escape from the accelerator in the core
- Diffusing through the H1 gas and producing γ's in p-p collisions
- Hitting on clampy molecular clouds making hot-spots
- Slow diffusion ~1%DC in ISM

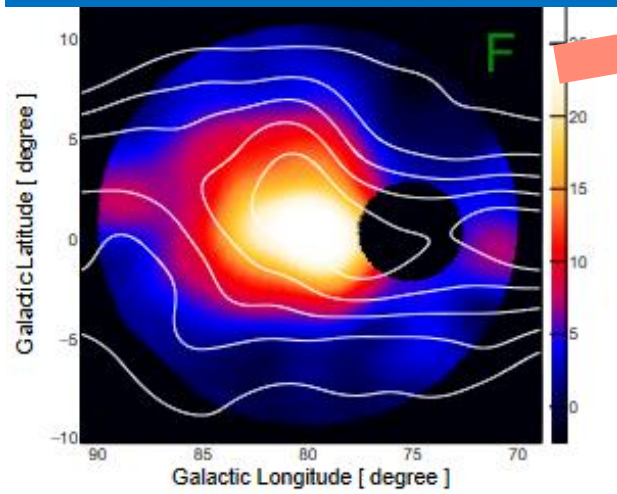


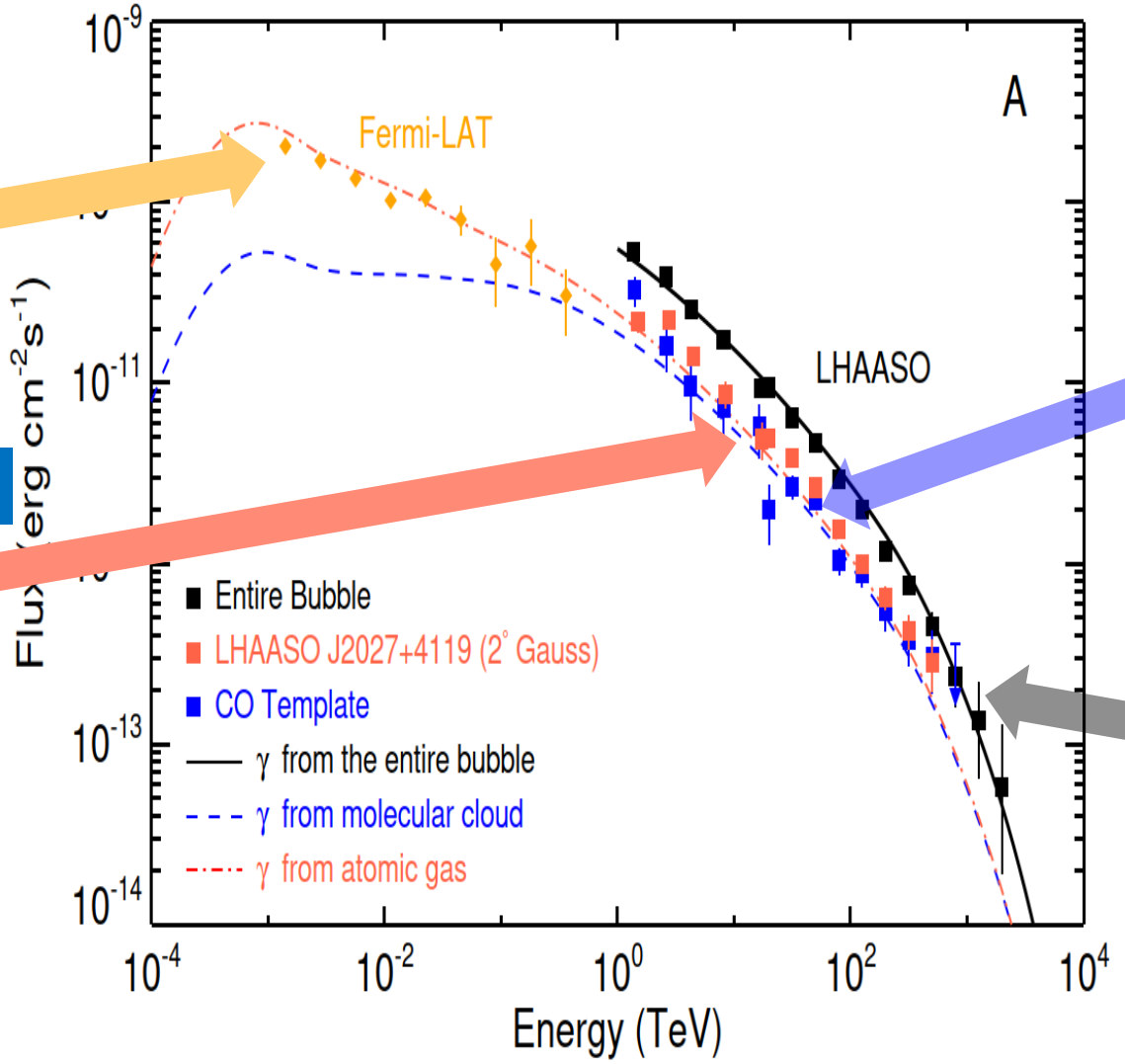
Model w 3 components : SED over 8 decades

Fermi Cocoon

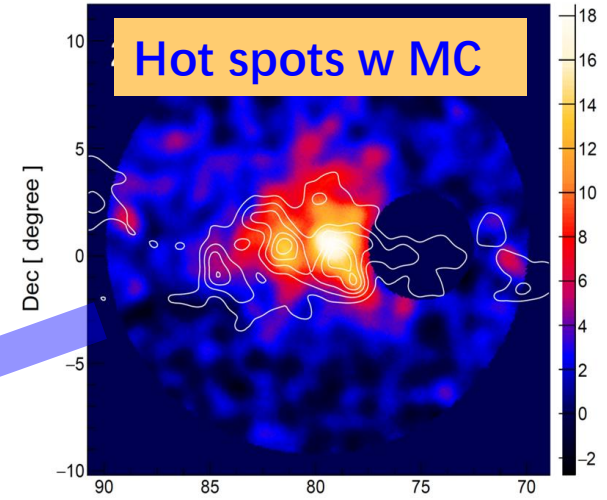


Extended Bubble w HI gas

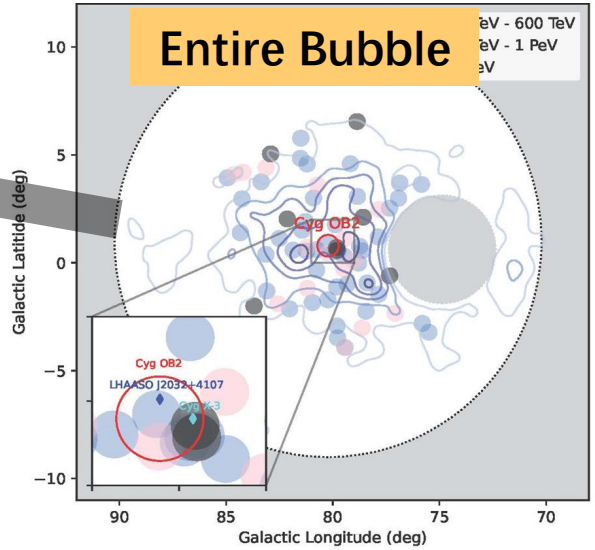




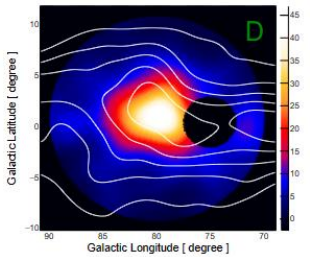
Hot spots w MC

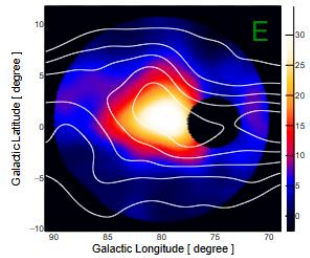


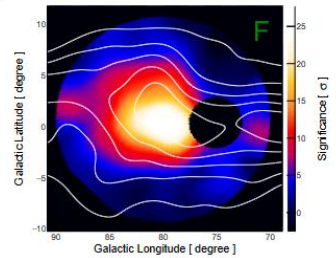
Entire Bubble



Model: Diffuse CR's generate γ's Spatial Profile over 10° from the core







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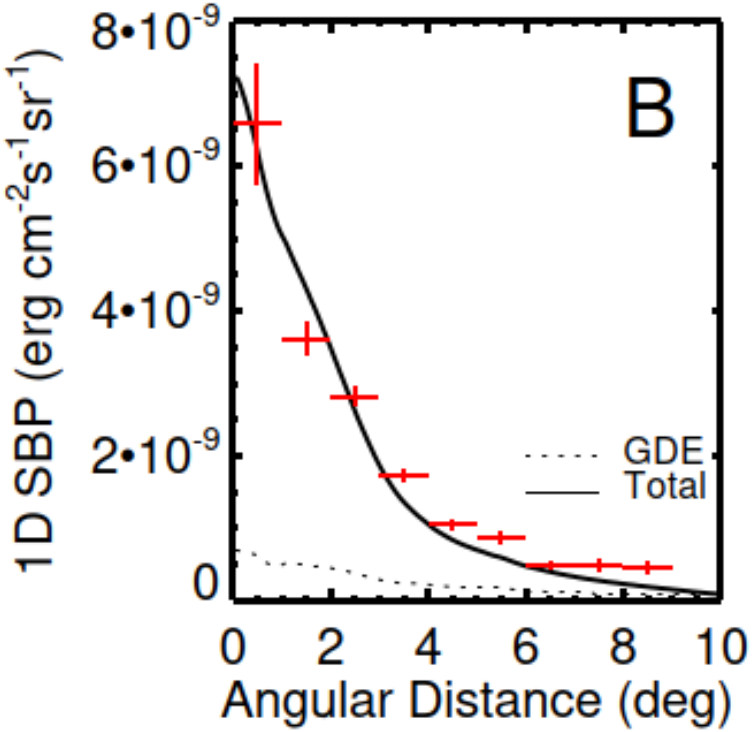
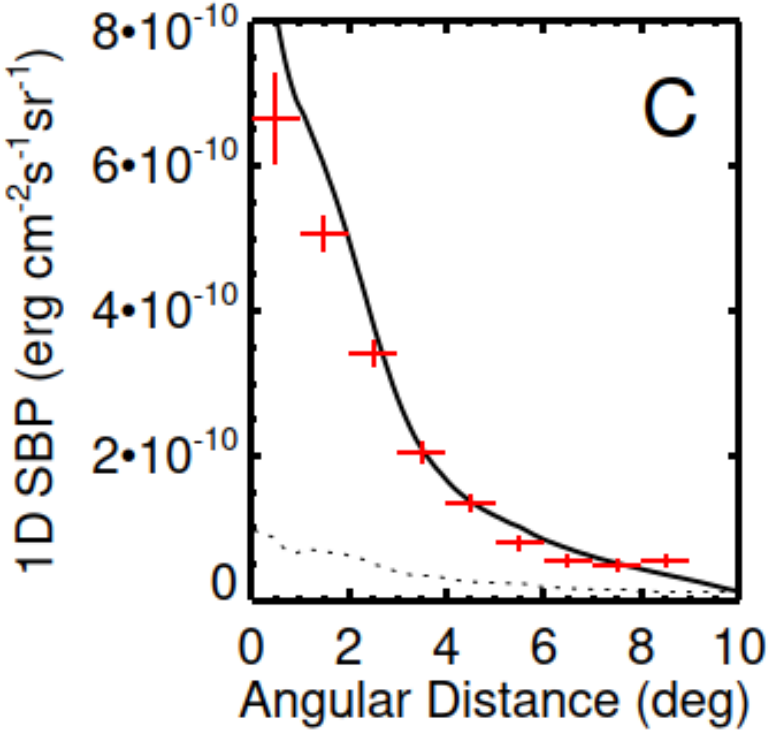


25-100 TeV



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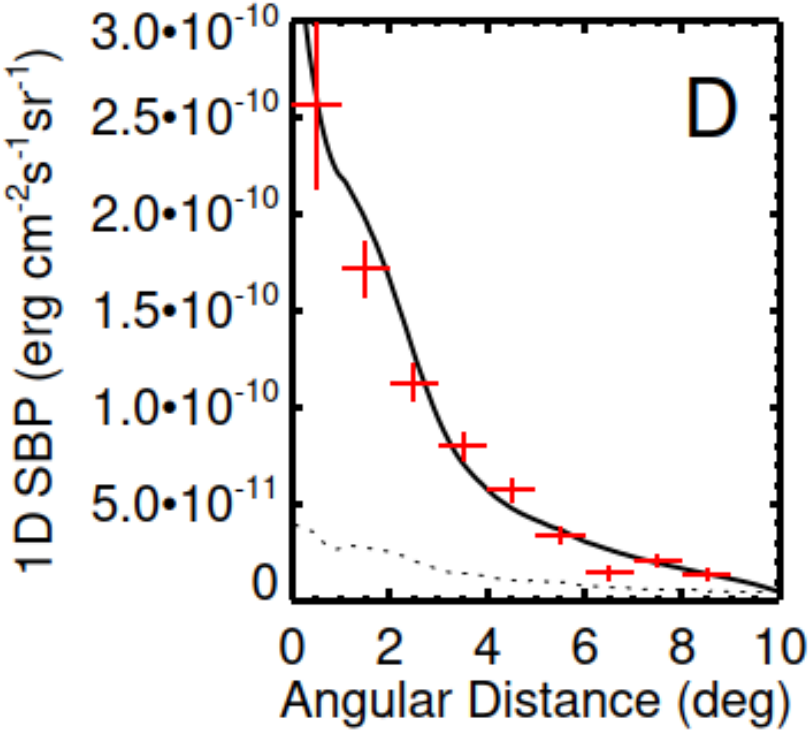
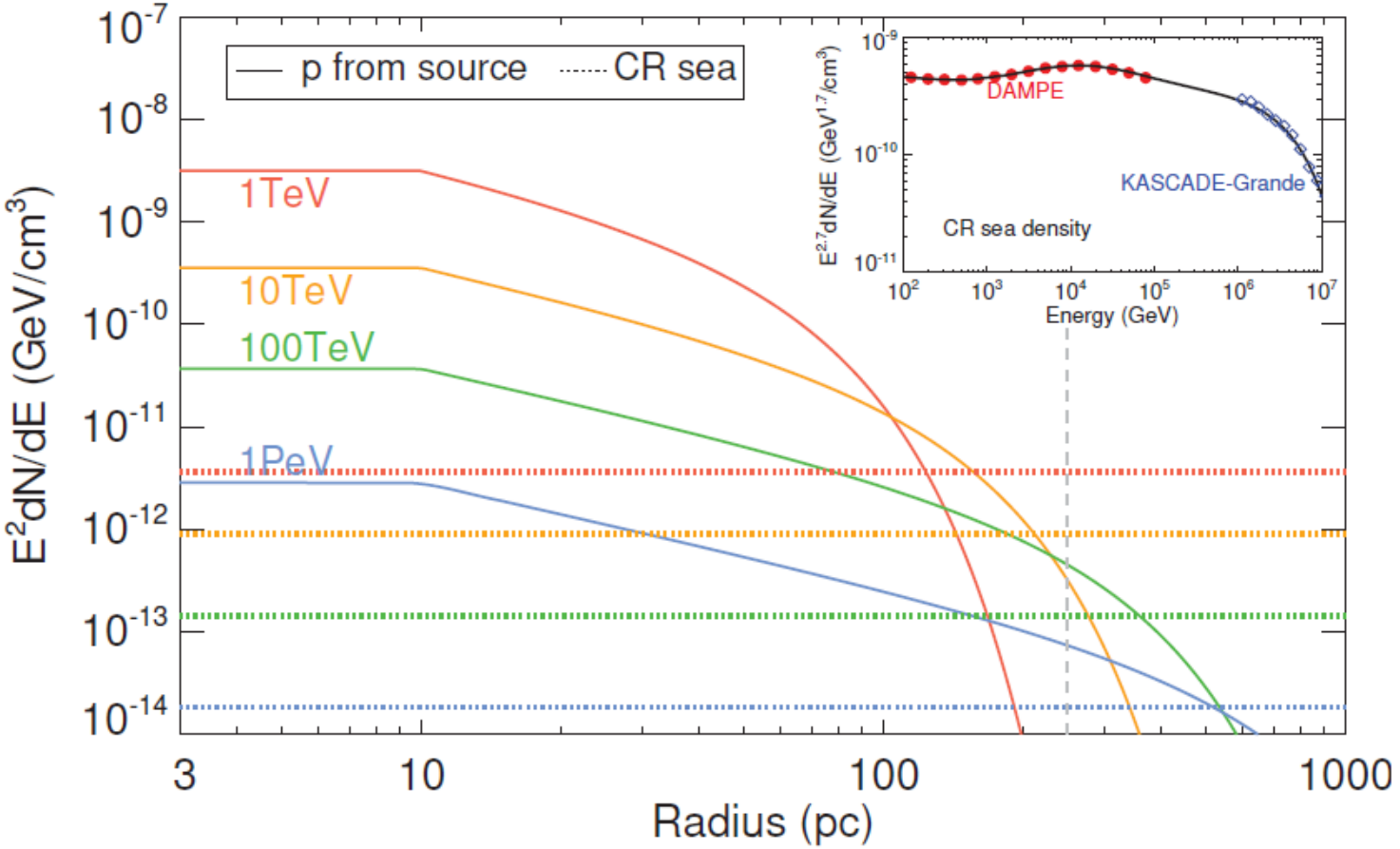
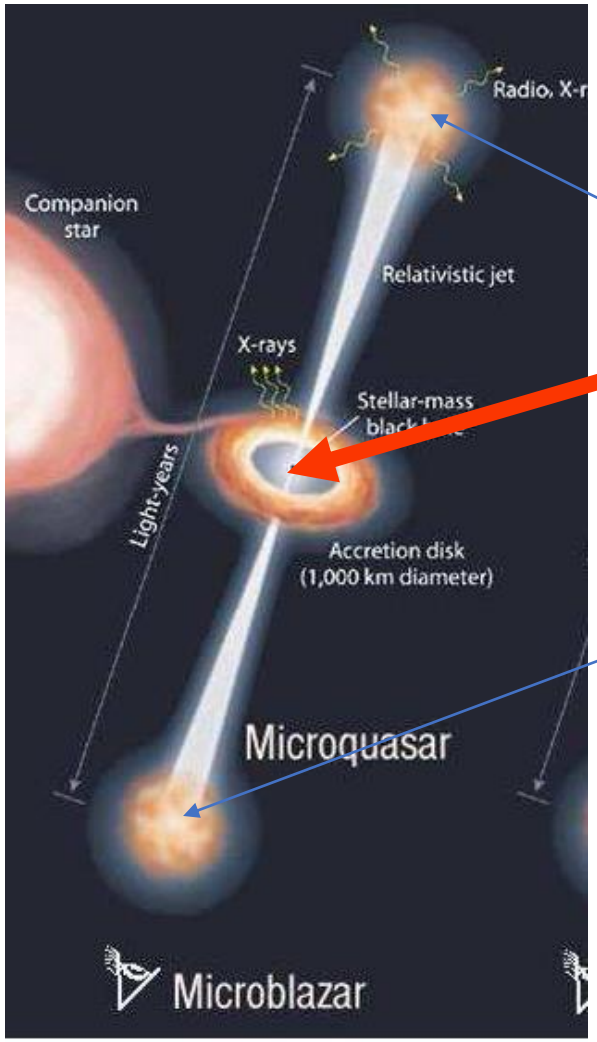


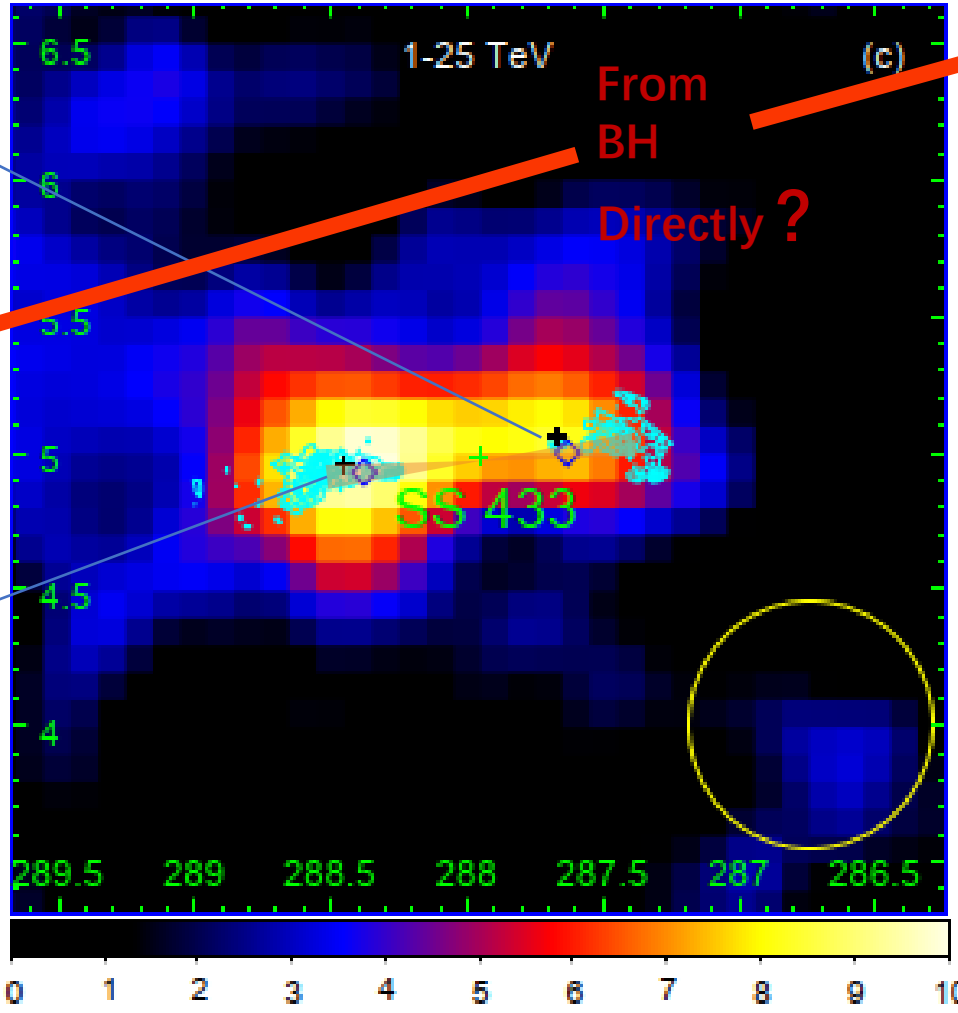
Derived Cosmic Ray bubble over ~200 pc



- There is a large cosmic ray bubble
- A rather small propagation ecoefficiency around the source
- The size of the visible bubble depends on the level of diffuse γ-rays

MicroQuasars:
UHE γ-emitters





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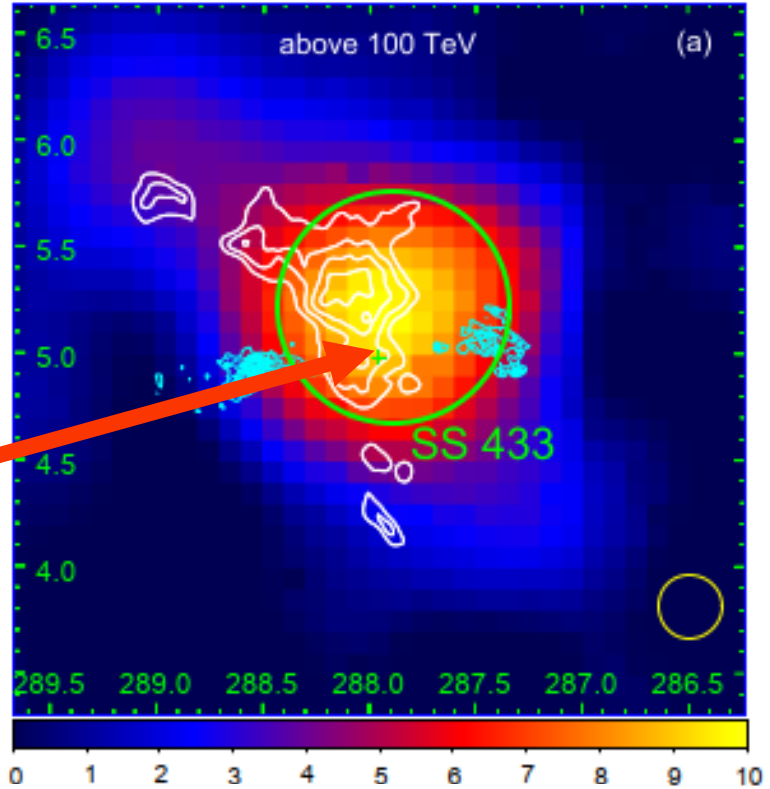
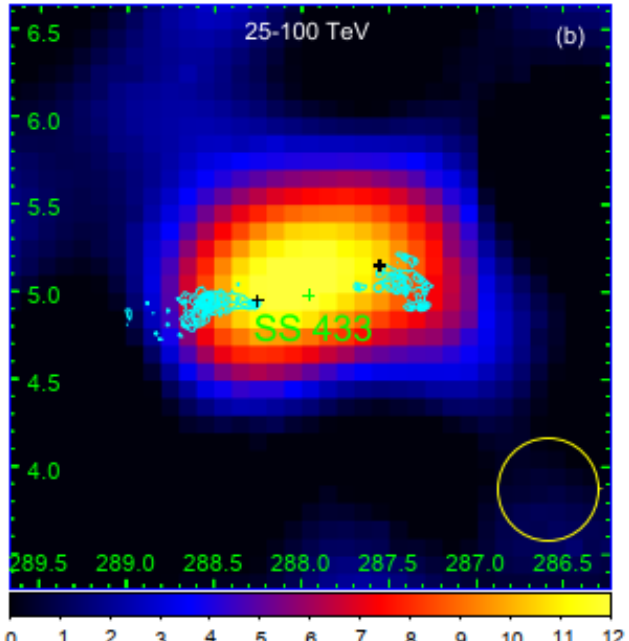
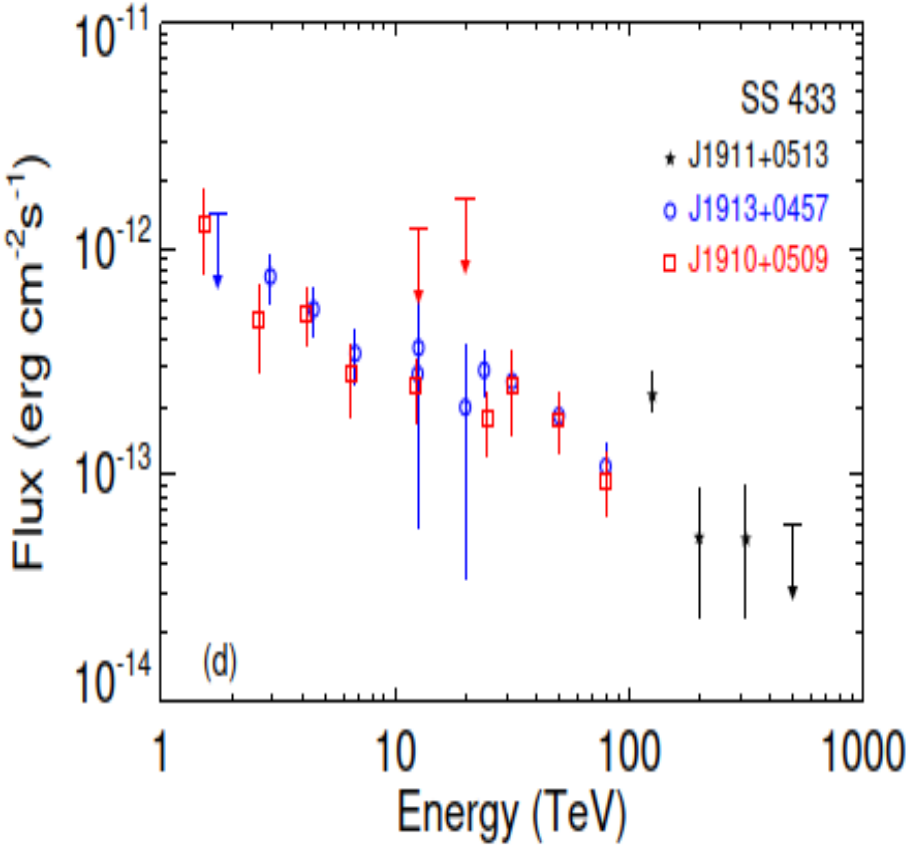
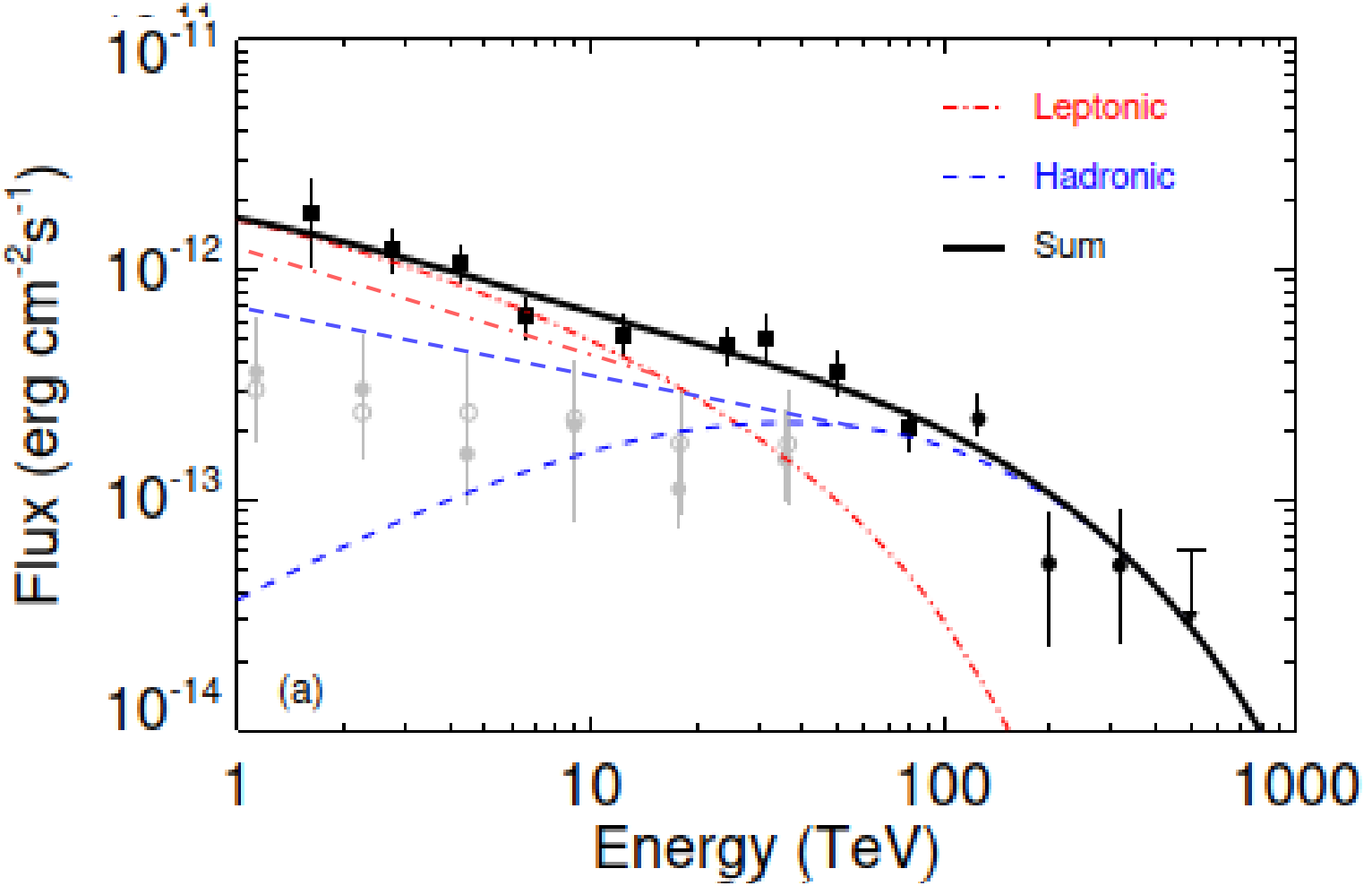




Hadronic Source

- Coincidence with the atomic gas distribution
- SED features





All MQs are PeVatrons?

- 12 MQs in LHAASO's FoV (Cyg X-3 is not included)
- 5 of them are detected by LHAASO

Microquasar	Distance (kpc)	LHAASO Source	Significance (σ)	Photon Index	Energy Range (TeV)	Extension[a]	Flux[b] (Crab Unit)
SS 433 E.		J1913+0457	9.7[c]	2.78 ± 0.19	$25 - 100$	$0.70°$	0.10
SS 433 W.	4.6 ± 1.3[32]	J1910+0509	8.6[c]	2.92 ± 0.21	$25 - 100$		0.082
SS 433 central		J1911+0513	9.8	4.03 ± 0.29	$100 - 400$	$0.32°$	0.32
V4641 Sgr	6.2 ± 0.7[33]	J1819-2541	8.1	2.67 ± 0.27	$40 - 1000$	$0.36°$	3.9
GRS 1915+105	9.4 ± 0.6[34]	J1914+1049	6.1	3.07 ± 0.15	$25 - 630$	$0.33°$	0.17
MAXI J1820+070	2.96 ± 0.33[35]	J1821+0726	5.9	3.19 ± 0.29	$25 - 630$	$< 0.28°$	0.13
Cygnus X-1	2.2 ± 0.2[36]	J1957+3517	4.0	4.07 ± 0.35	$25 - 100$	$< 0.22°$	< 0.01
XTE J1859+226	4.2 ± 0.5[37]	–	1.9	–	–	–	< 0.03
GS 2000+251	2.7 ± 0.7[38]	–	1.7	–	–	–	< 0.04
CI Cam	$4.1^{+0.3}_{-0.2}$[39]	–	1.4	–	–	–	< 0.03
GRO J0422+32	2.49 ± 0.3[40]	–	0.8	–	–	–	< 0.01
V404 Cygni	2.39 ± 0.14[41]	–	0.5	–	–	–	< 0.02
XTE J1118+480	1.7 ± 0.1[42]	–	0	–	–	–	< 0.01
V616 Mon	1.06 ± 0.1[43]	–	0	–	–	–	< 0.01

MQs

- They are all **Extended**
- Distant
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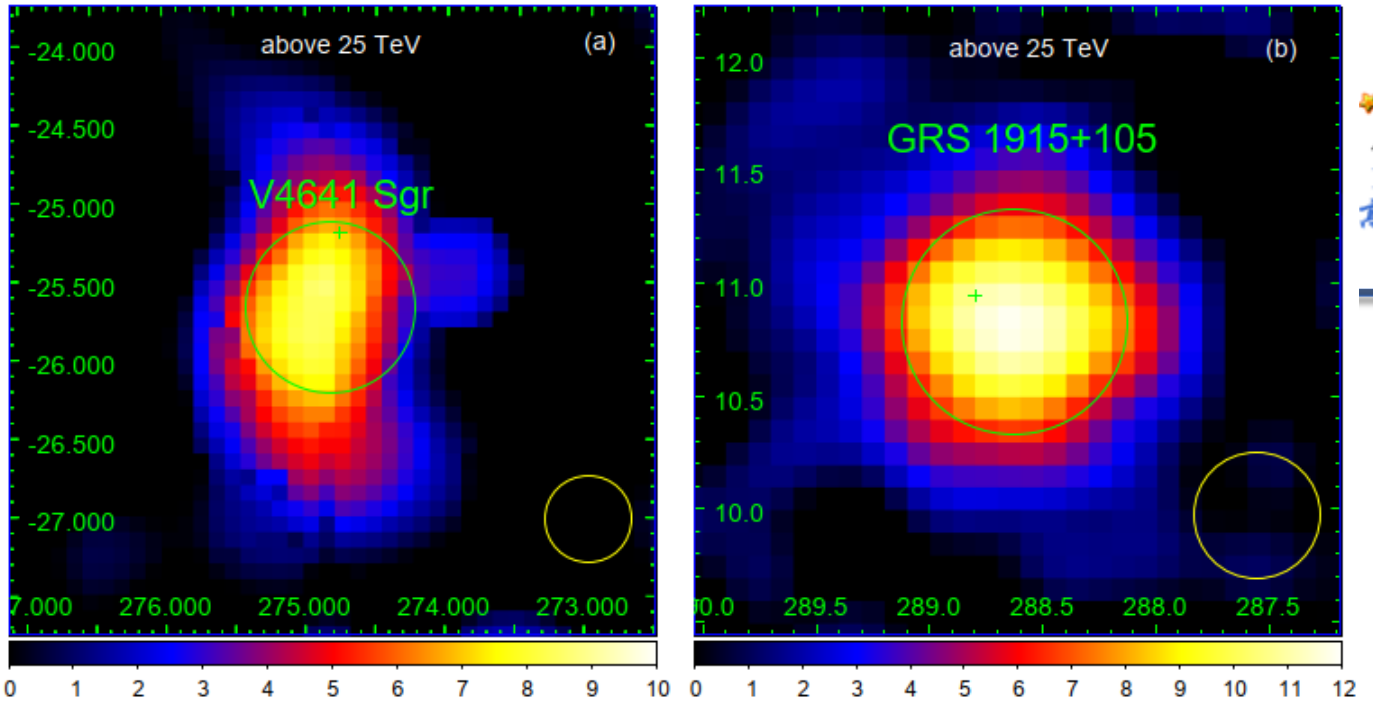

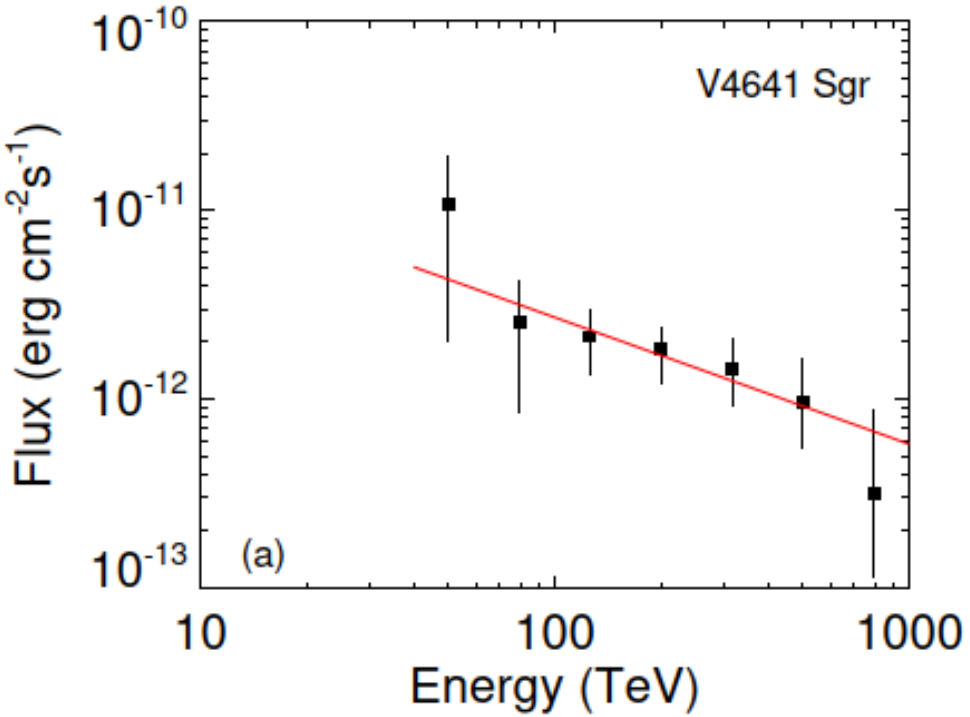

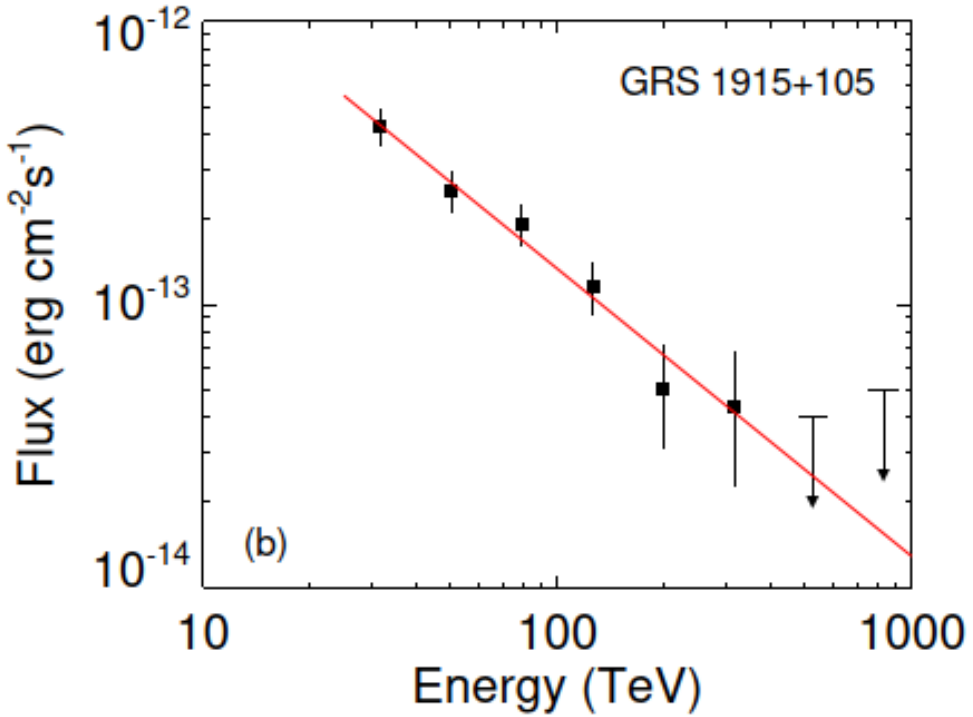

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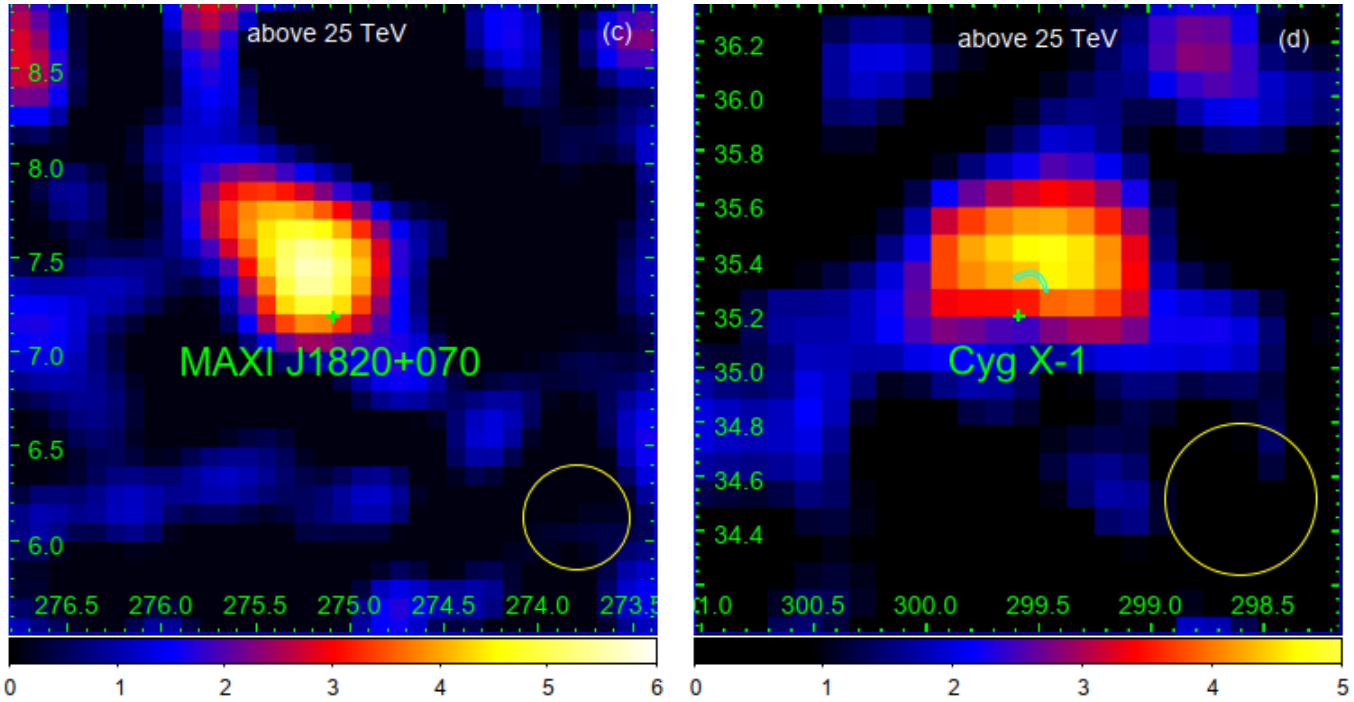
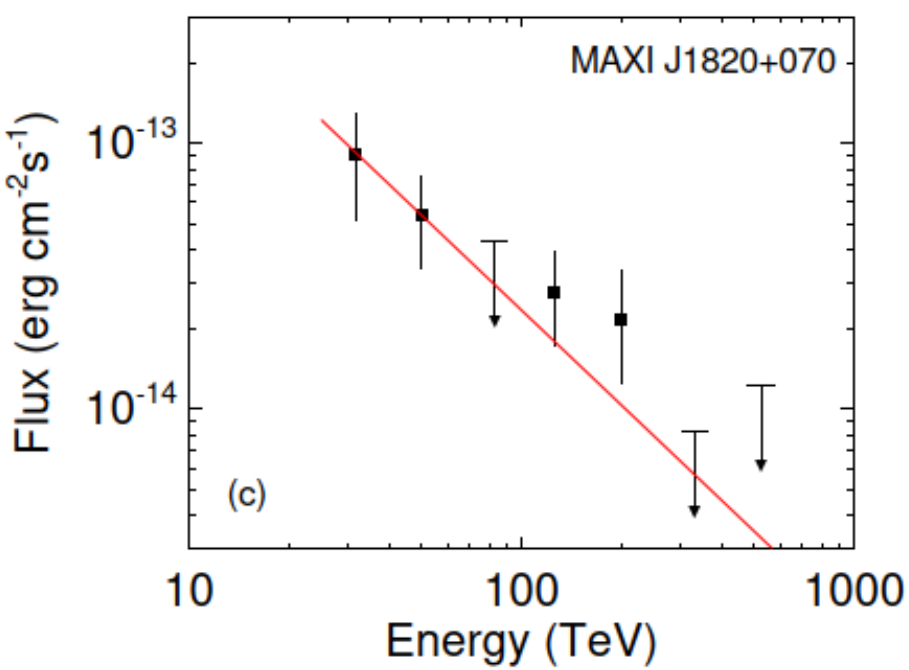
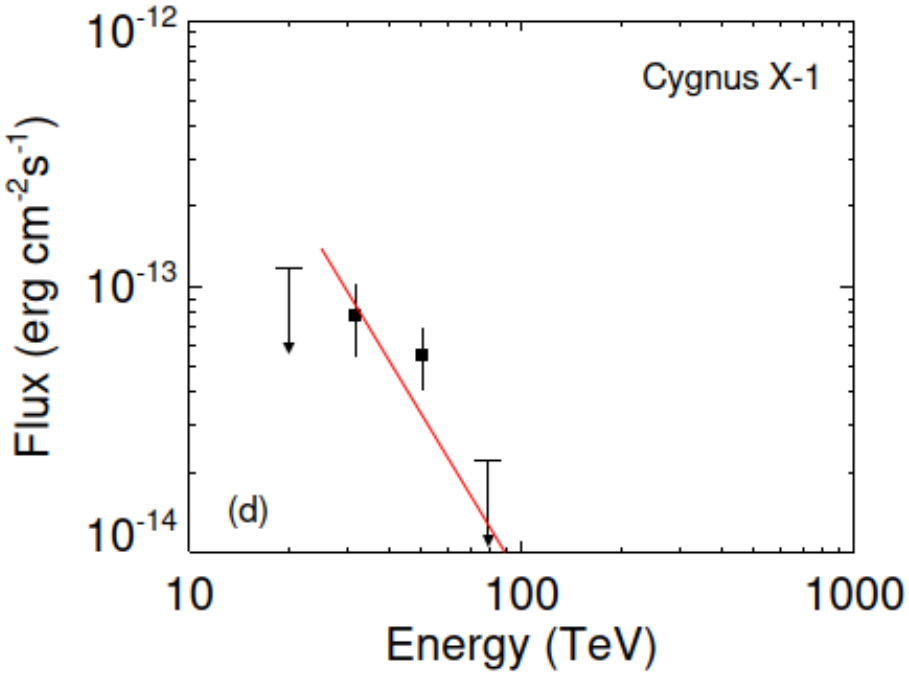






Implications

- CR sources above the knee at ~3 PeV
- Total luminosity $L_{\rm p}$~10^{38} erg/s $f_{\mu Q}$ ~10
- Explains the CR flux around the Earth

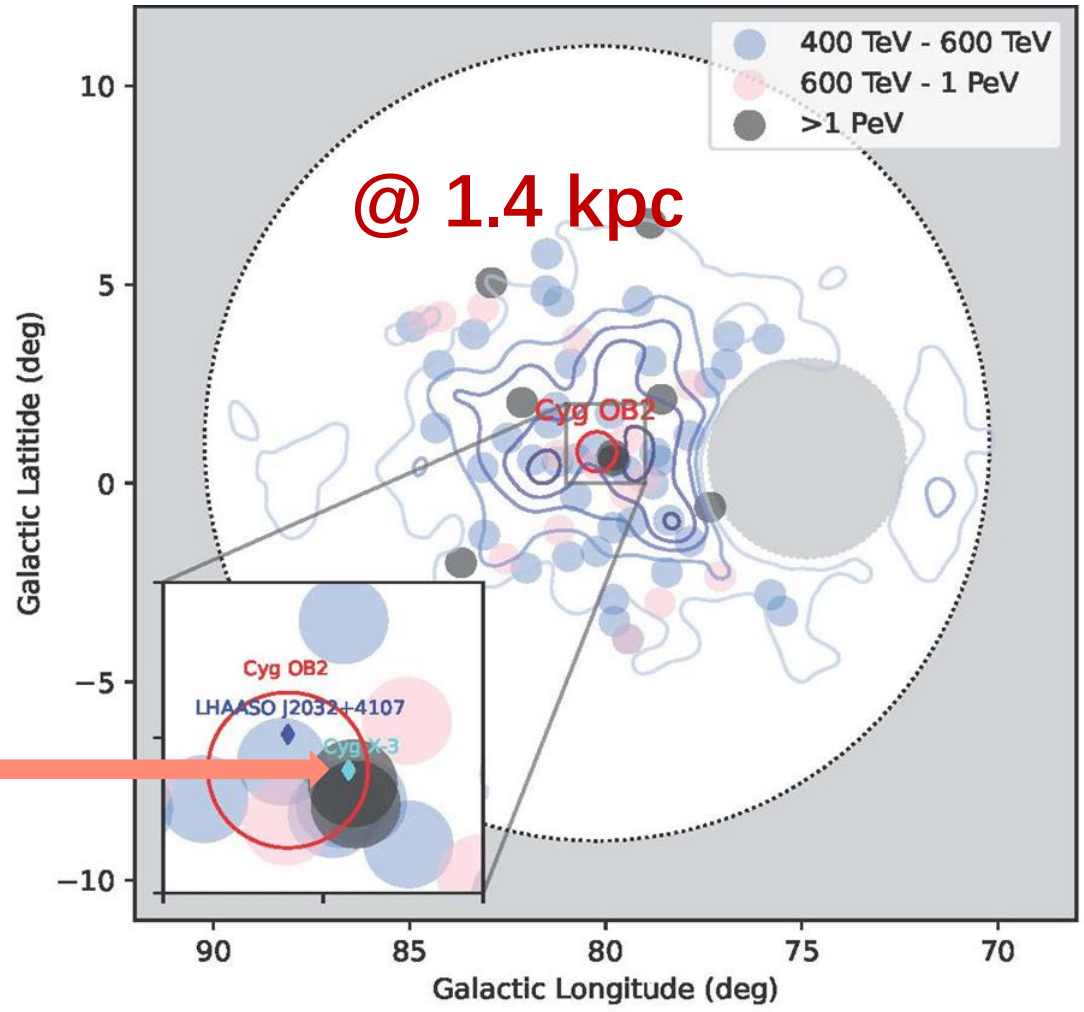
$$F(E_{\rm p}=1\,{\rm PeV}) = \frac{c}{4\pi}\frac{L_{\rm p} f_{\mu Q} t_{\rm res}}{2\pi R_{\rm Gal}^2 H_{\rm CR}}$$

$$\approx 3\times10^{4}\left(\frac{f_{\mu Q}L_{\rm p}}{10^{39}\,{\rm erg\,s^{-1}}}\right)\left(\frac{D_{\rm ISM}}{10^{31}\,{\rm cm^2 s^{-1}}}\right)^{-1}\left(\frac{H_{\rm CR}}{4\,{\rm kpc}}\right)\left(\frac{R_{\rm Gal}}{15\,{\rm kpc}}\right)^{-2}\,{\rm eV\,cm^{-2}s^{-1}sr^{-1}}$$

- A good source population for CRs above 1 PeV even the knee
- Unclear acceleration mechanism

γ-ray Binaries

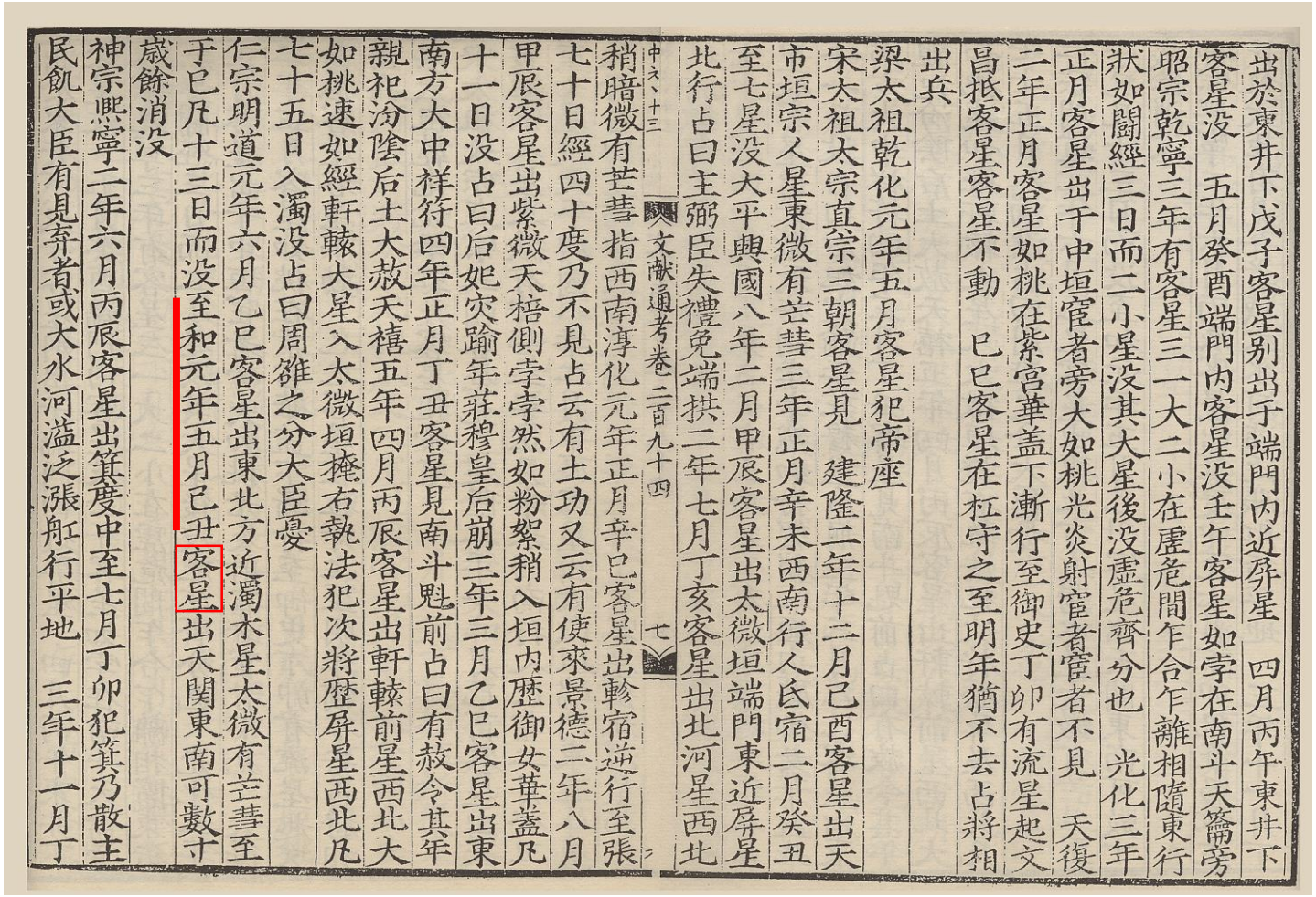
- Cyg X-3 ?
- **@ 8.5 kpc**
- Coming soon ……



Extreme Accelerators

The First Observation 967 years back

- **Song Dynasty Official (司天监) recorded the "guest star"**
- **The first identified Supernova**
- **The accurate occur time：the night of July, 4th,1054**



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客星沒　五月癸酉端門內客星沒壬午客星如孛在南斗天籥旁
昭宗乾寧三年有客星三一大二小在虛危間乍合乍離相隨東行
狀如鬬經三日而二小星沒其大星後沒虛危齊分也　光化三年
正月客星出于中垣宦者旁大如桃光炎射宦者宦者不見　天復
二年正月客星如桃在紫宮華蓋下漸行至御史丁卯有流星起文
昌抵客星客星不動　已巳客星在杠守之至明年猶不去占將相
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梁太祖乾化元年五月客星犯帝座
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至七星沒大平興國八年二月甲辰客星出太微垣端門東近孛星
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七十五日入濁沒占曰周雒之分大臣憂
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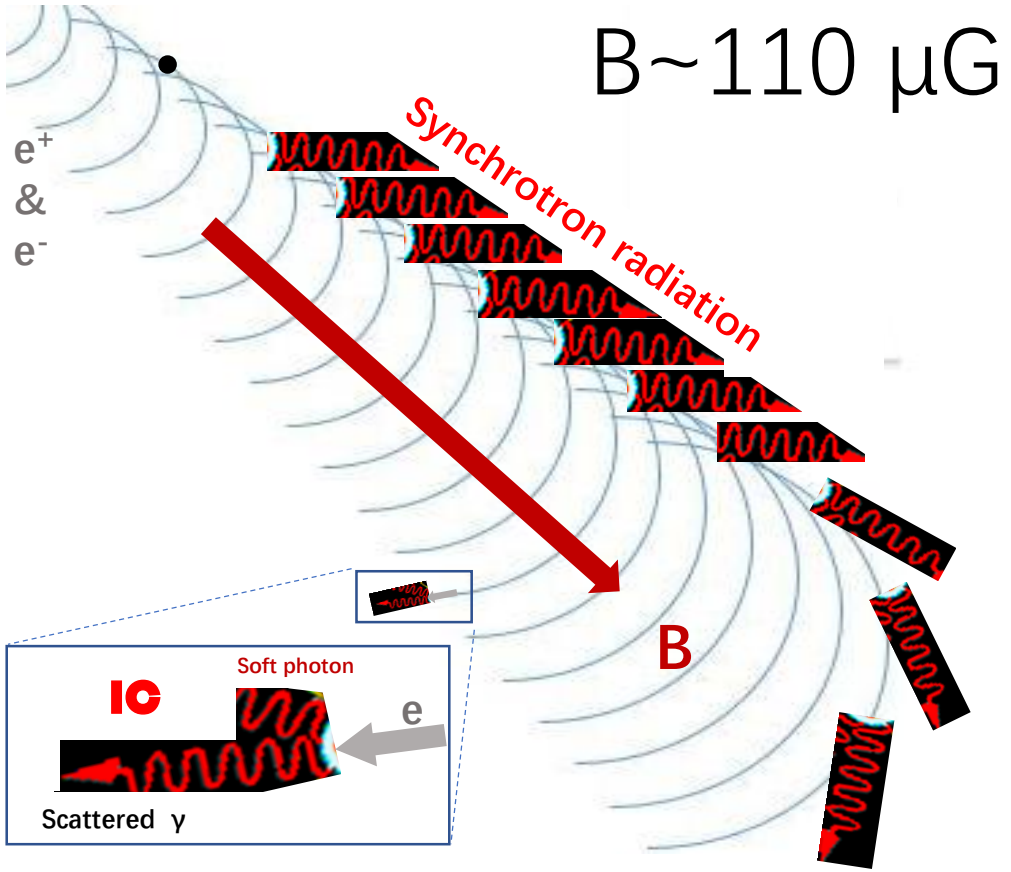
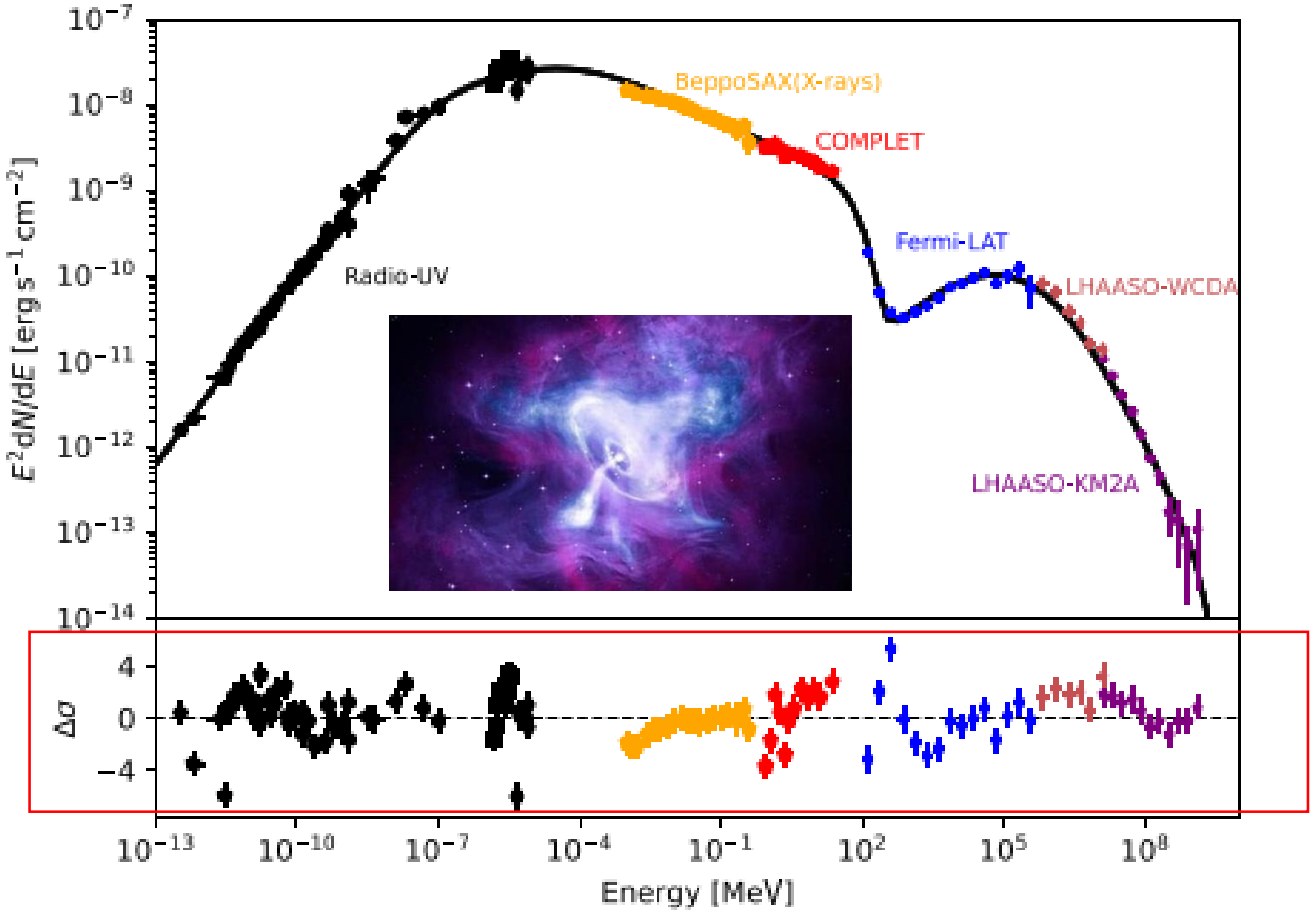
于巳凡十三日而沒至和元年五月己丑客星出天關東南可數十
歲餘消沒
神宗熙寧二年六月丙辰客星出箕度中至七月丁卯犯箕乃散主
民飢大臣有見齊者或大水河溢泛漲舡行平地　三年十一月丁

"Extreme Electron PeVatron"

- One-zone Leptonic Model： remarkable feature over 22 orders
- The photons above 1 PeV pose challenges to particle accel. Theory

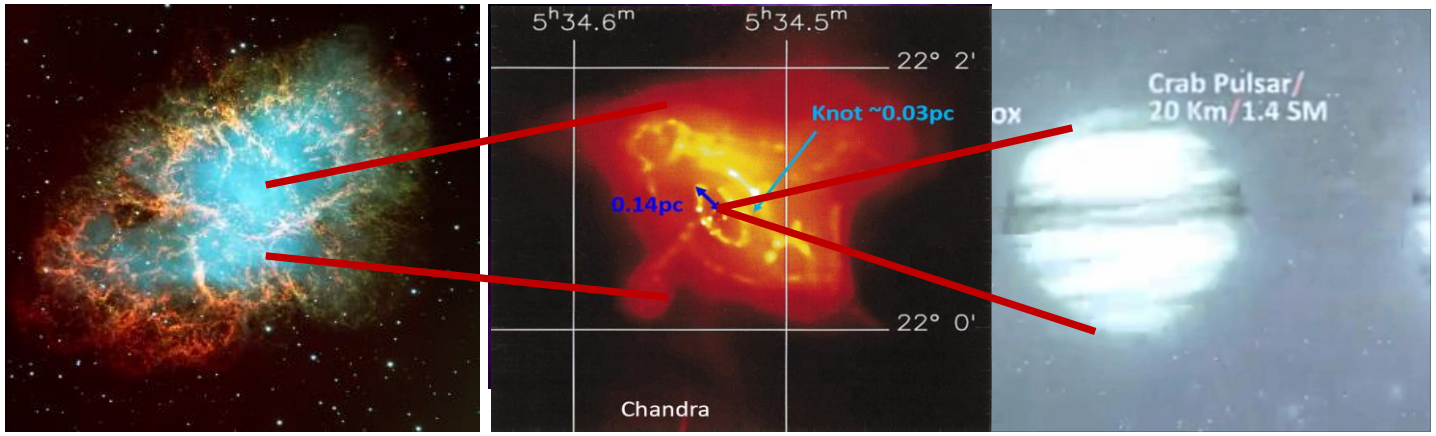
L. Nie et al., ApJ, **924** 42 (2022), arXiv:2201.03796



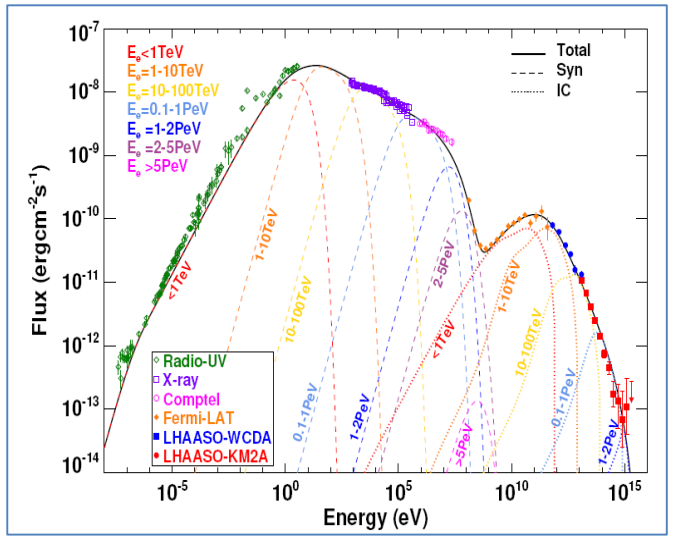


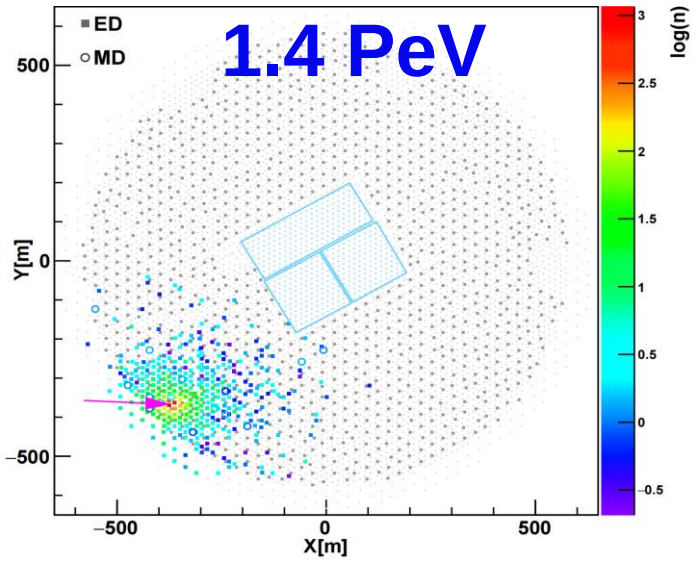
The Crab Nebula: emitting photons above 1 PeV

- Electron/positron accelerator in the heart of the nebula
- Acceleration rate approaching the theoretic limit



- Record HE photons 1.1PeV→1.4 PeV
- Electron energy must be higher than 2.3 PeV→2.8 PeV
- Acceleration rate η≈0.16→0.26
- size of accelerator R_g=0.025 pc→0.032 pc





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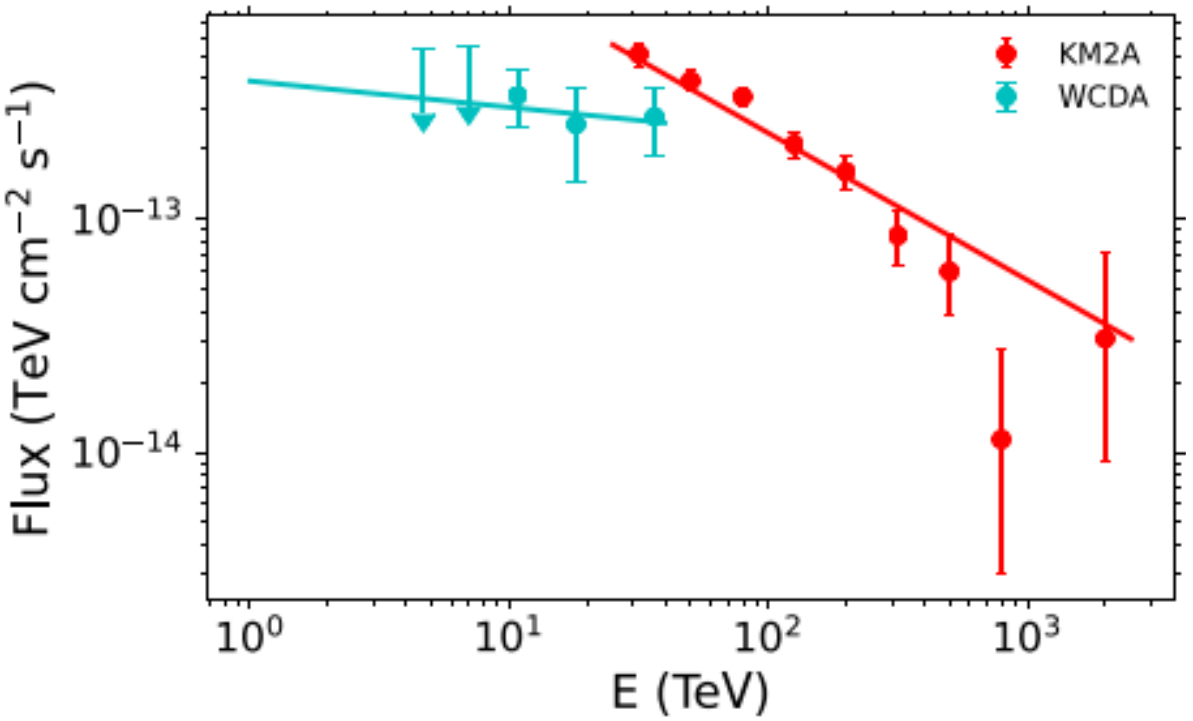
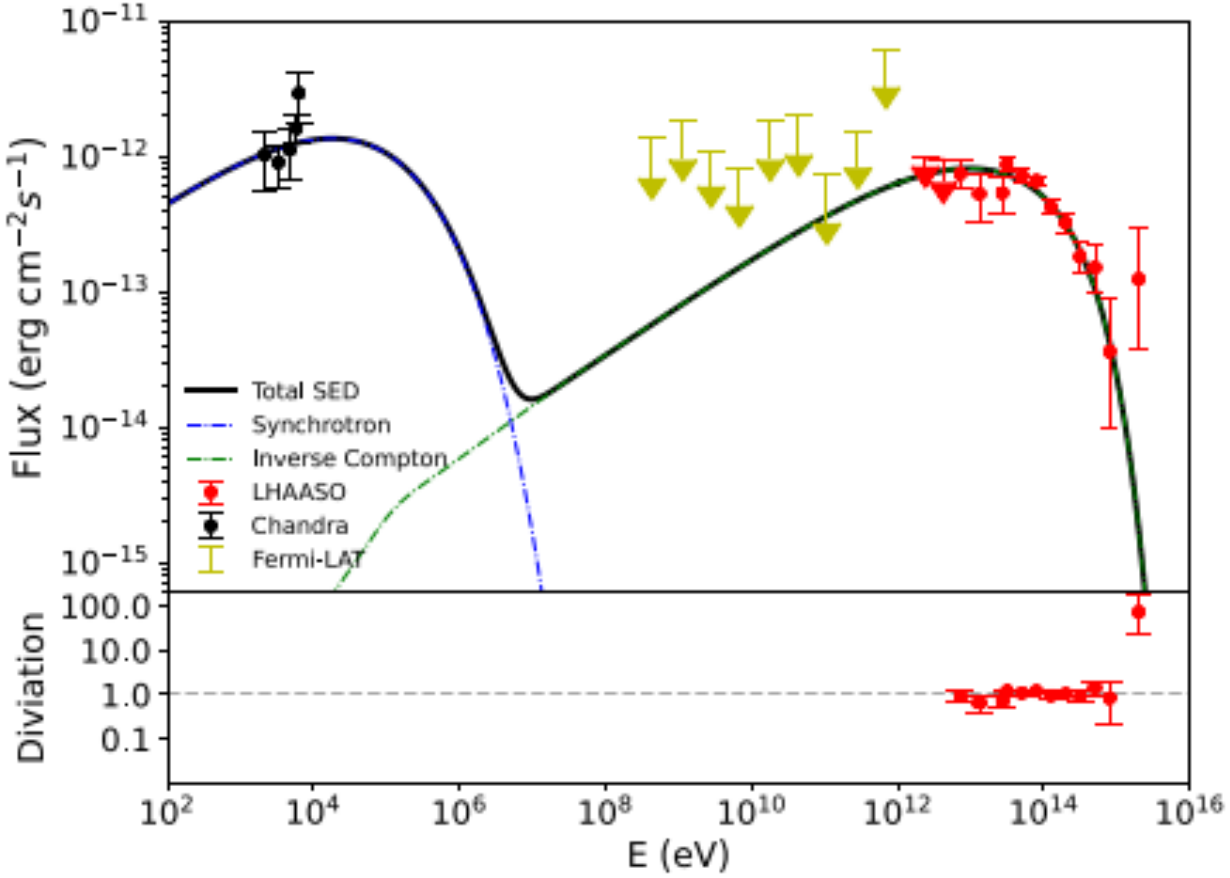
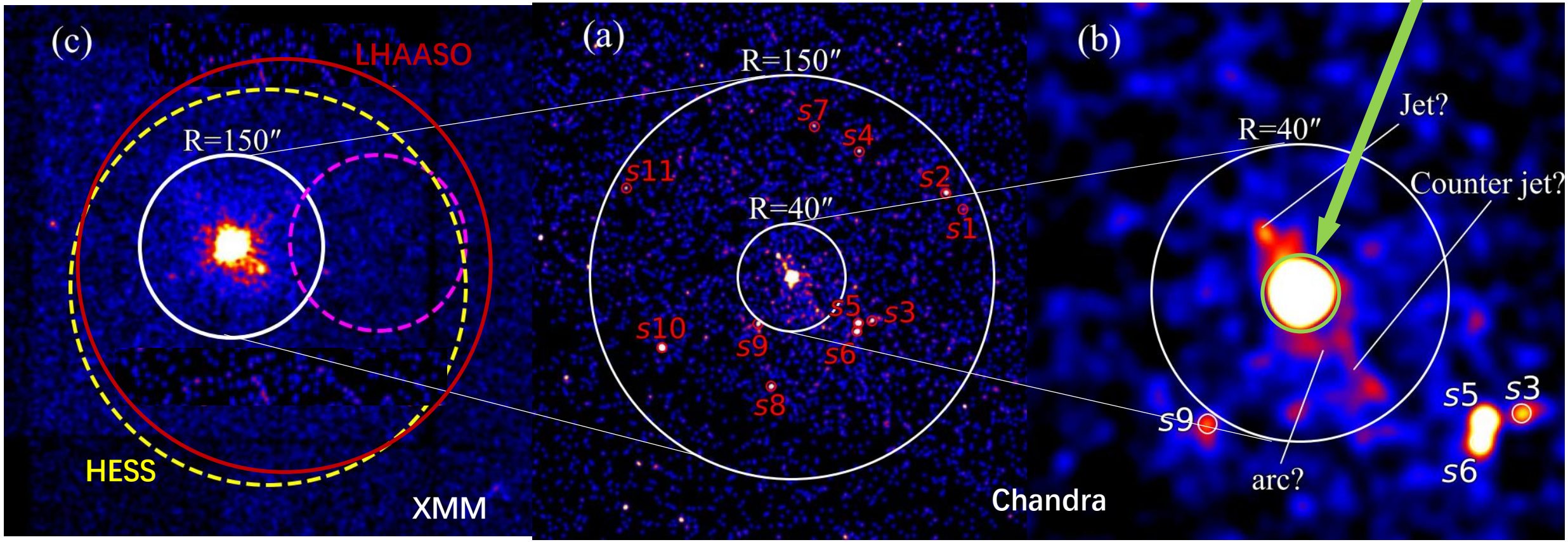
A newly discovered PWN is generating

- γ-photons at energy > **2 PeV**
- **Posting challenges again, but in different way**





X-ray observation found the size of acceleration region R < 0.4 pc at 7 kpc, i.e. 10”

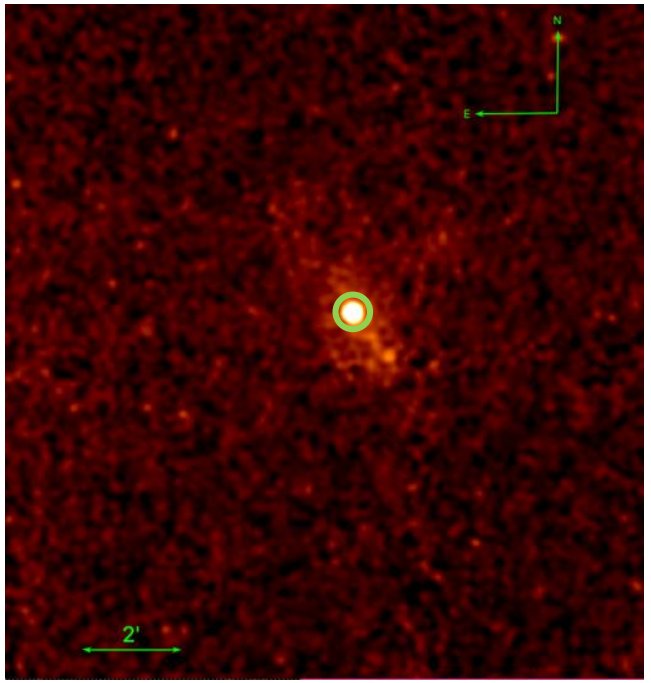


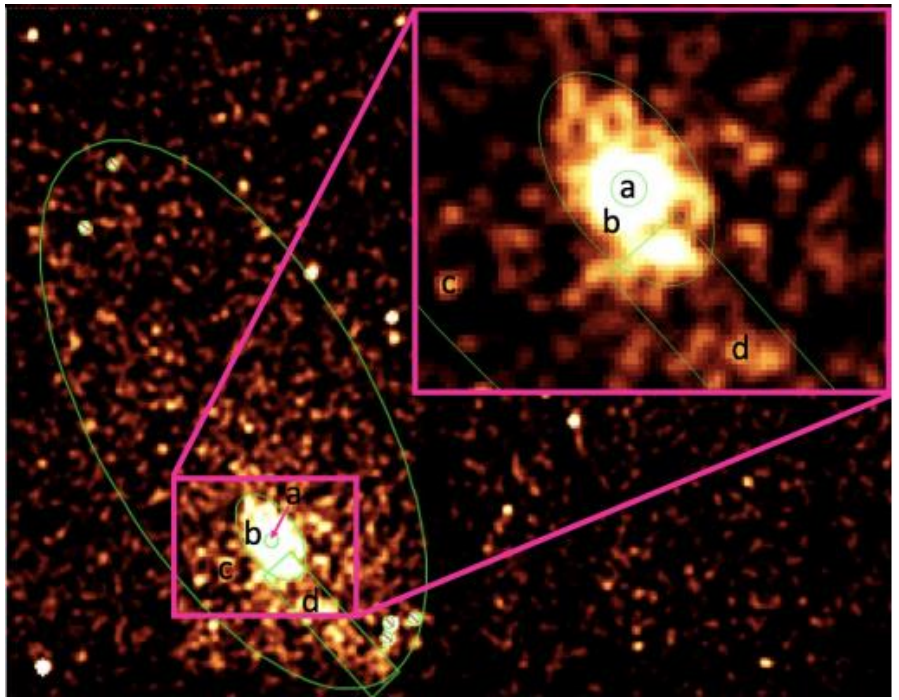
Challenge: $\eta \sim 50\%$

Confining particles inside the accelerator

B~3 μG

size~1 pc





acceleration rate must be at the level of **50%** !

Necessary Condition: Hillas Diagram

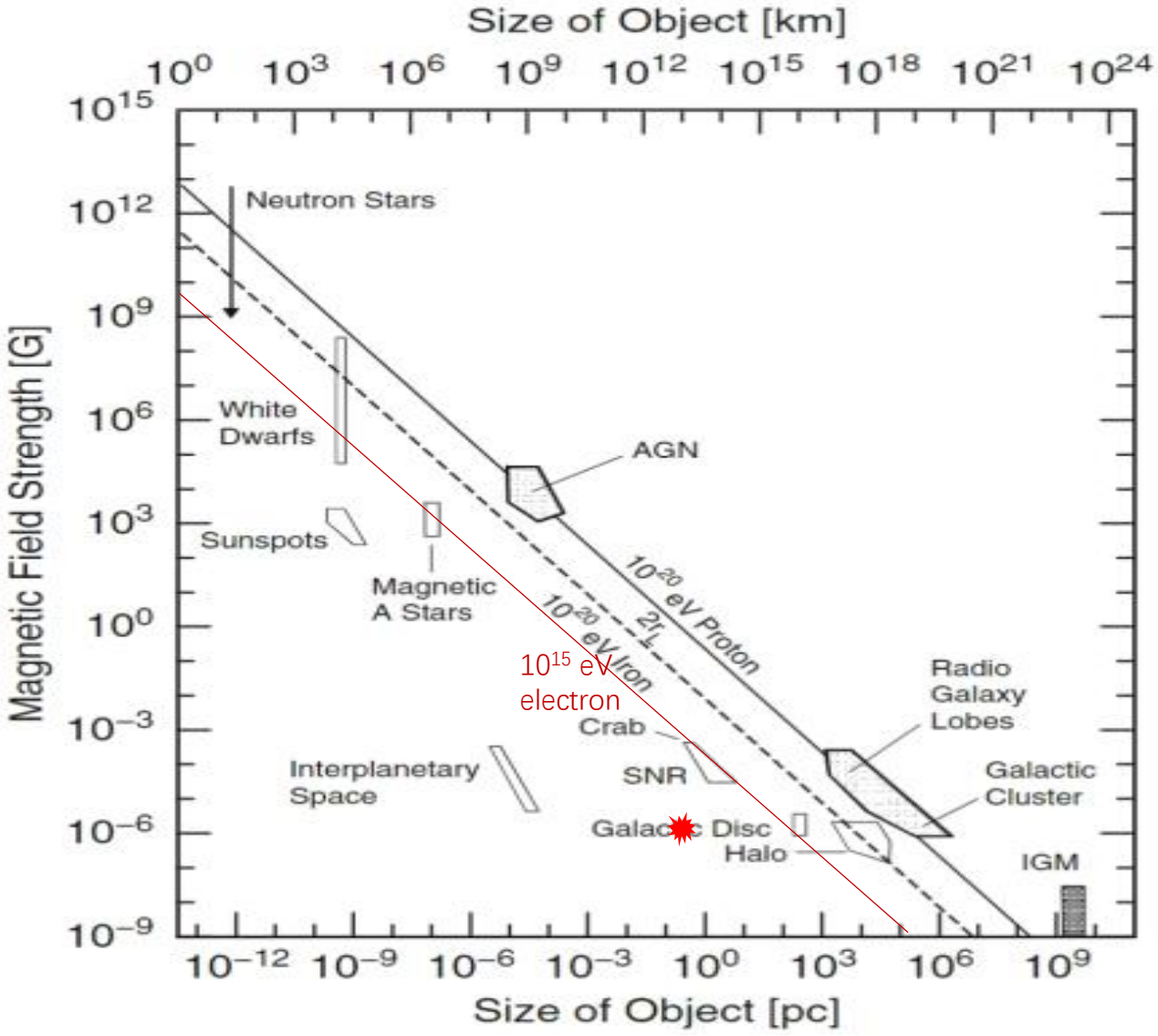
The size of the source

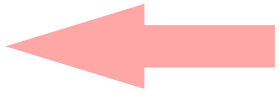
vs.

The magnetic field

Two issues:

1. **Confinement**
2. **Acceleration rate**

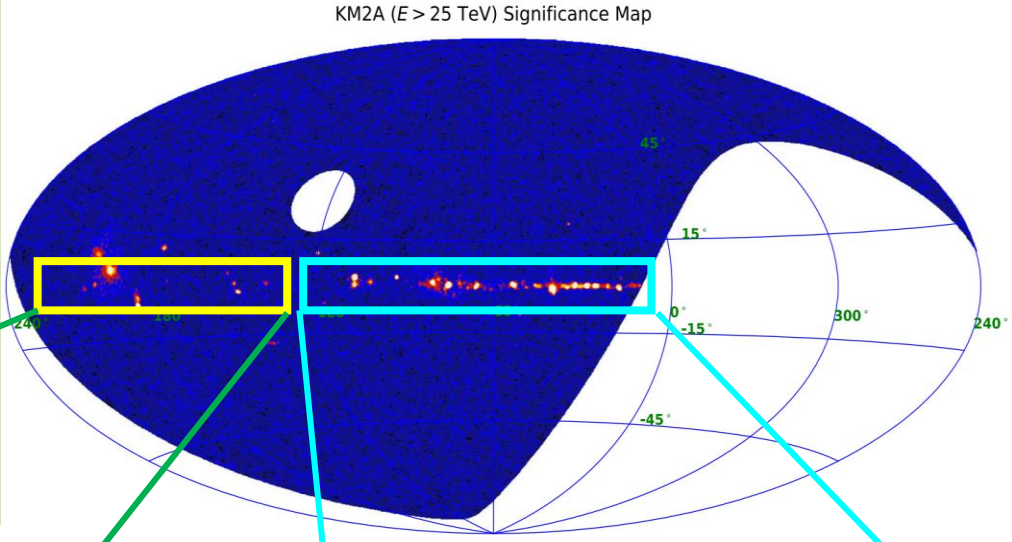


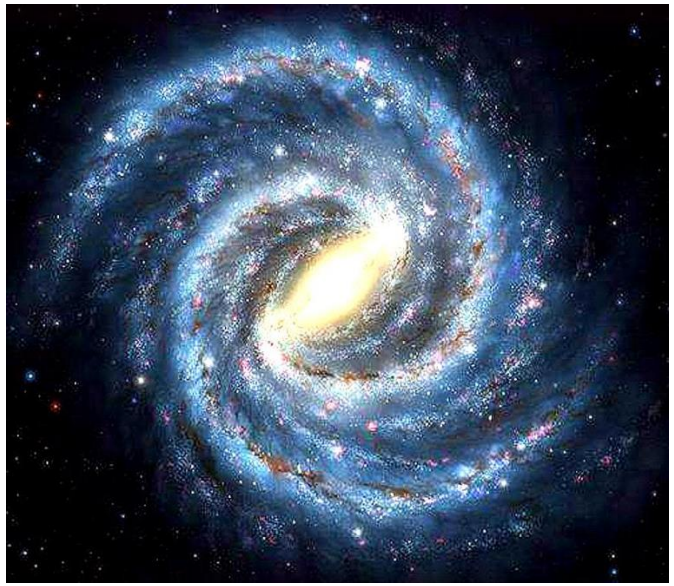
- **Diffuse γ-rays** 

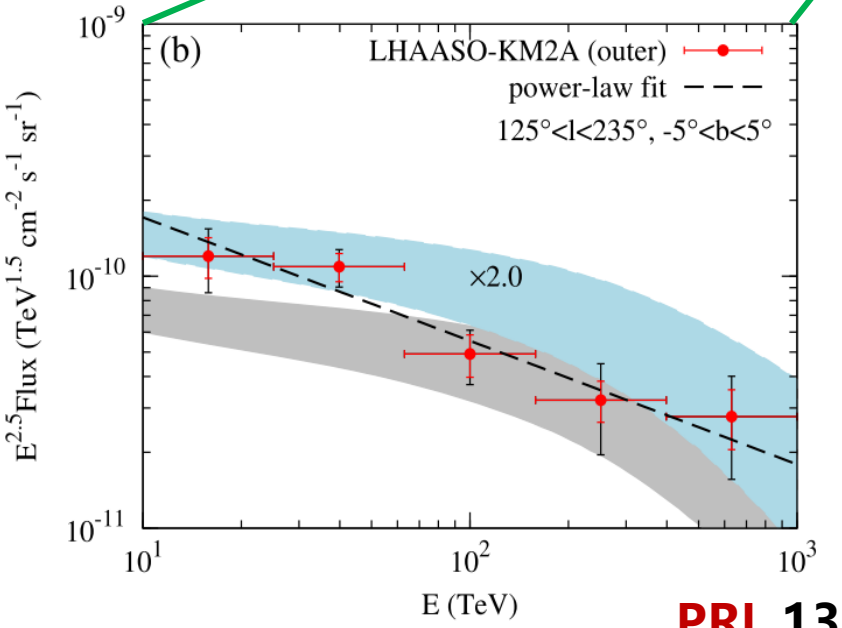
& Cosmic ray Anisotropy

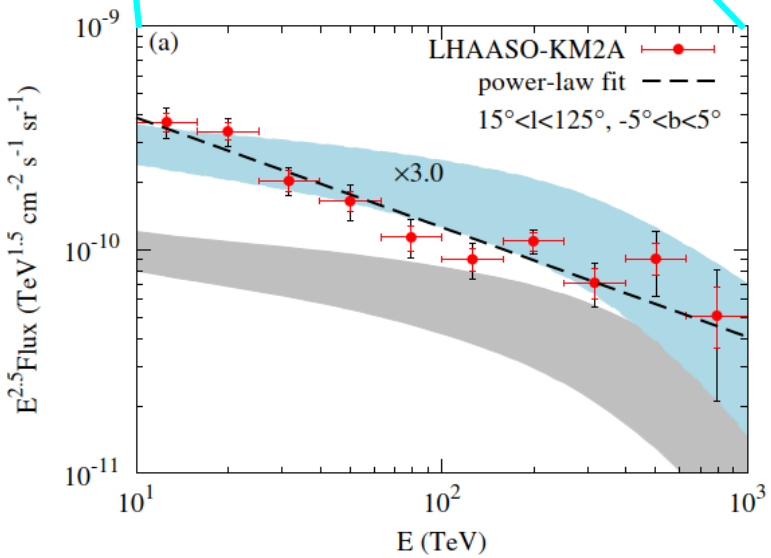
Diffuse γ-rays: trace the propagation of CRs in the MW

- High precision measurements covering (10 TeV, 1 PeV) with all sources removed
- GDE measured in outer-galaxy for first time
- ×3 of the predicted assuming uniform distribution of CRs in the MW









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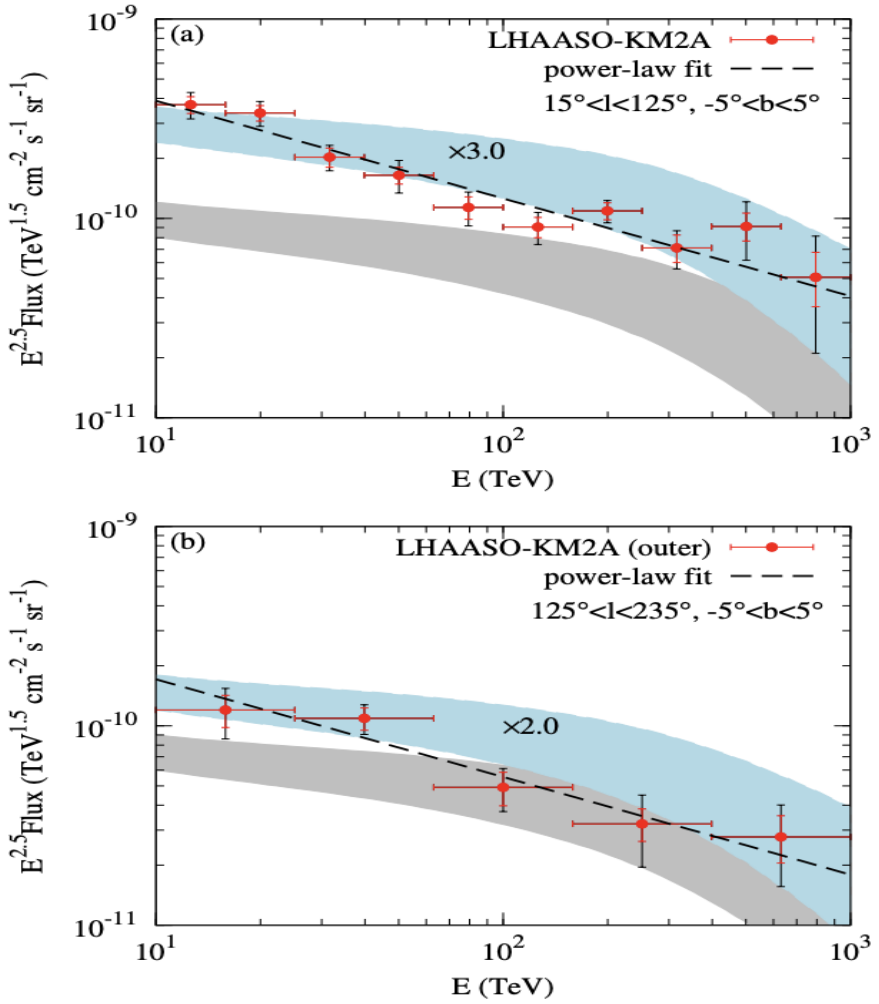
Diffuse gamma-ray emission



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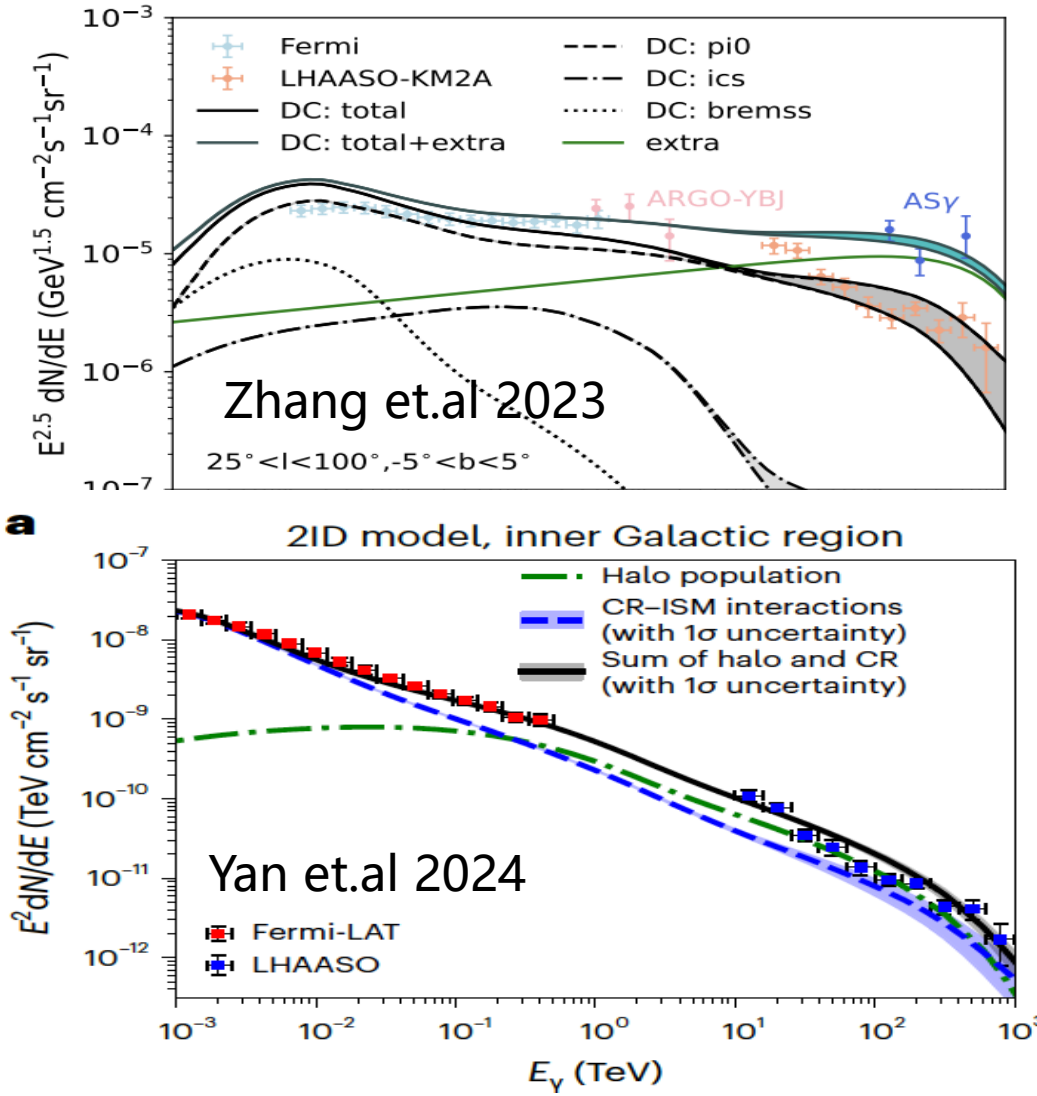
`Excess' revealed in multi-TeV band



A new component in GDE? From Pulsar halos?

The Galactic Diffuse Emission is X3 higher than the expectation

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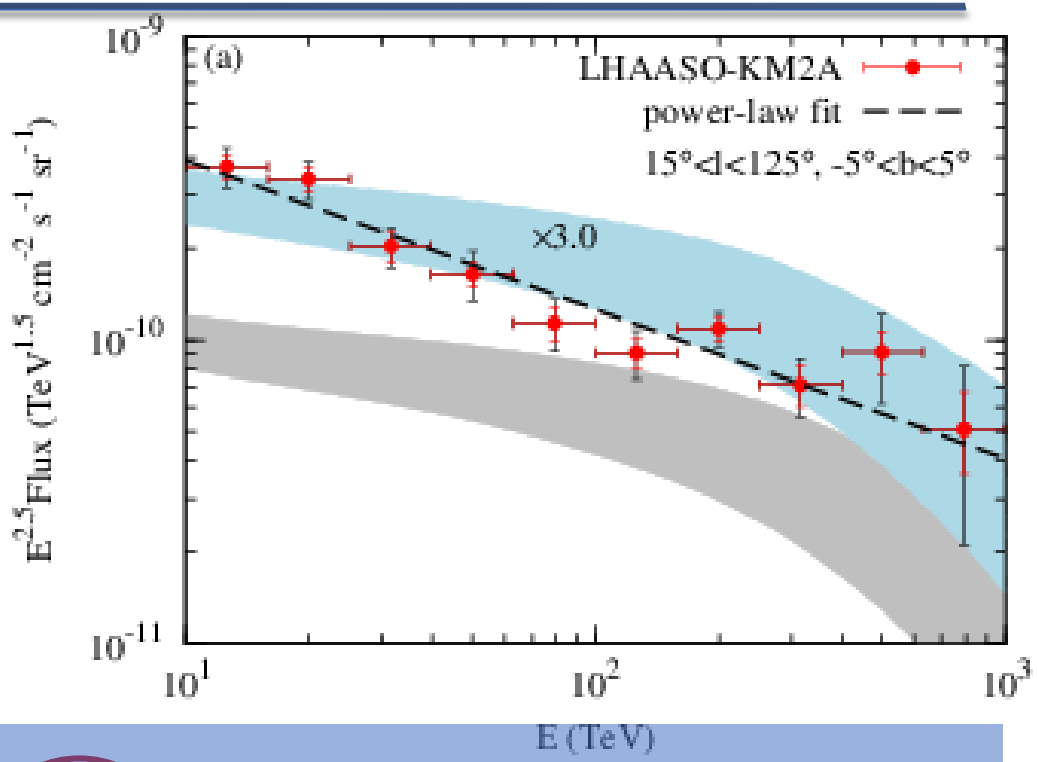
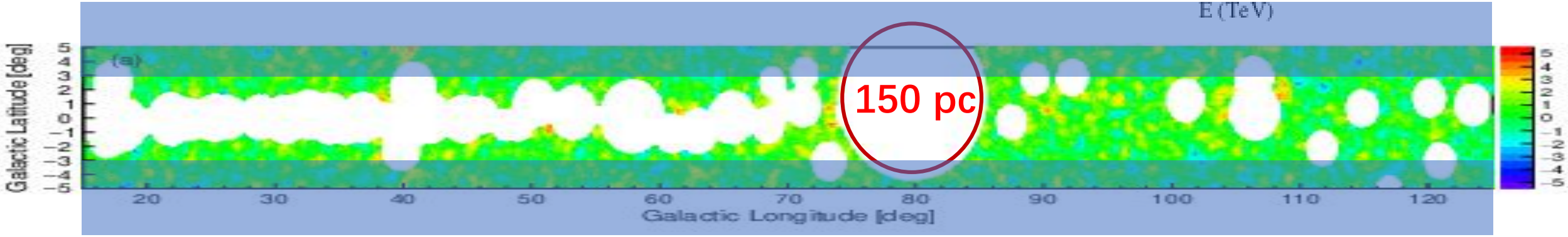
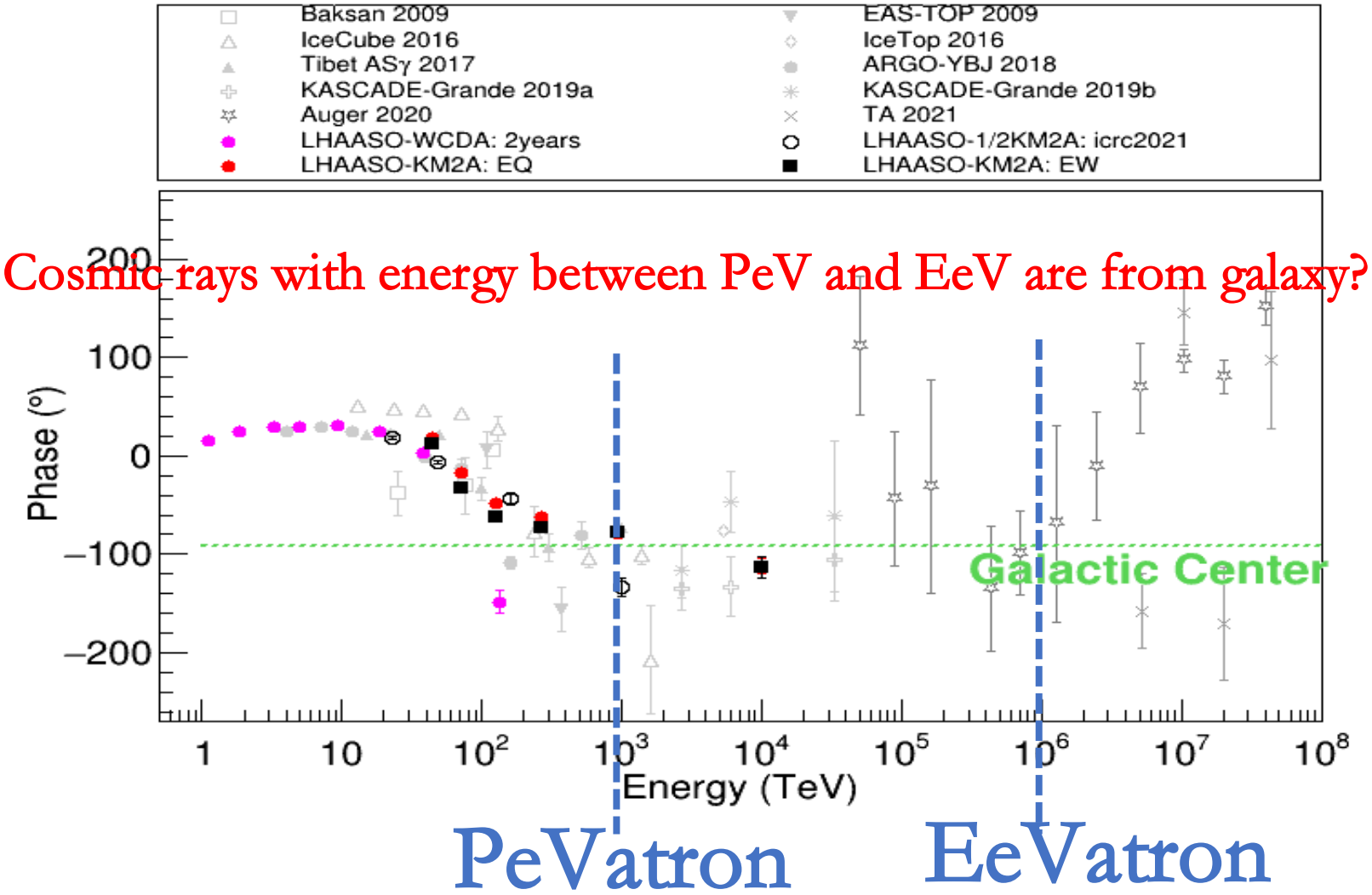
Inner Galactic Region

- Likely to be the extension of bubbles
- Cygnus bubble is a good example
- Measurements in belts |b|>5° or 3° may help to understand better





Cosmic ray anisotropy



- There should be sources in our galaxy can accelerate particles to PeV or even up to EeV from the measurement of CRs at earth.

Cosmic-ray Spectra around Knees

- Pure Protons
- light Component → He-spectrum
- All-particle Spectrum ←

Hybrid Measurement of CR Showers around the Knee

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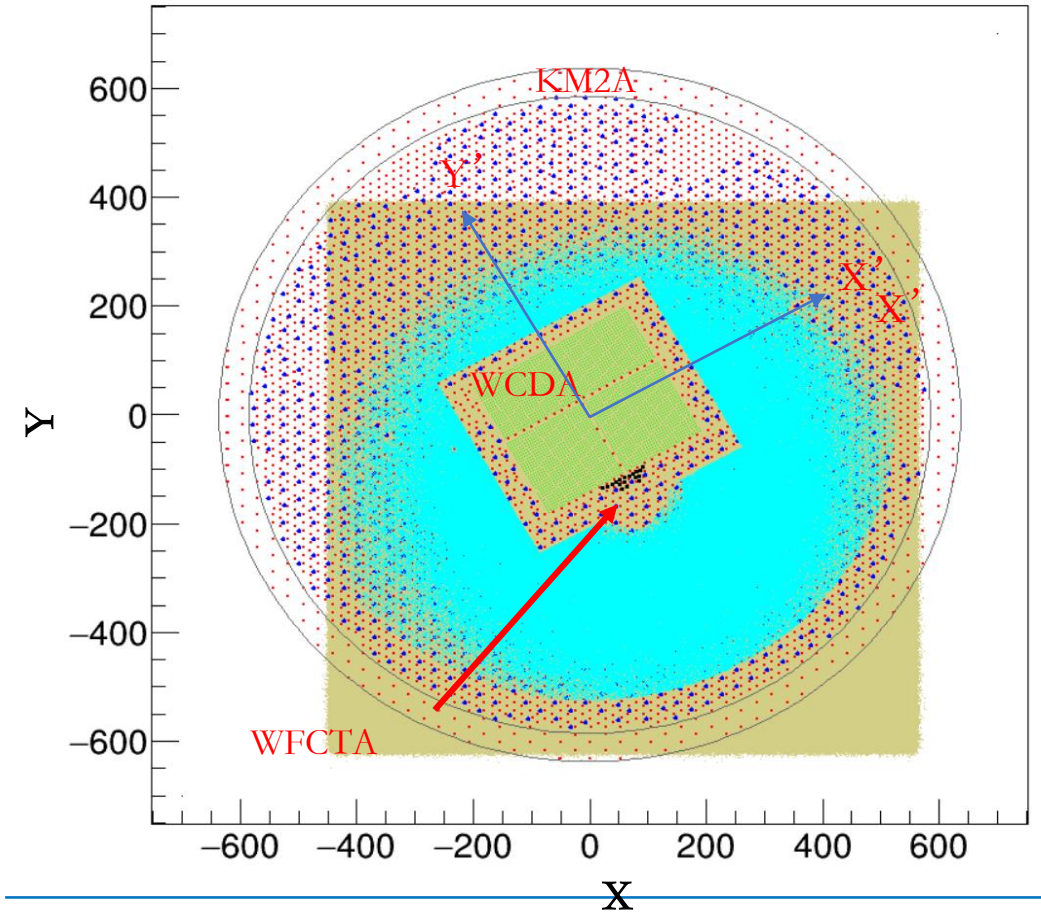
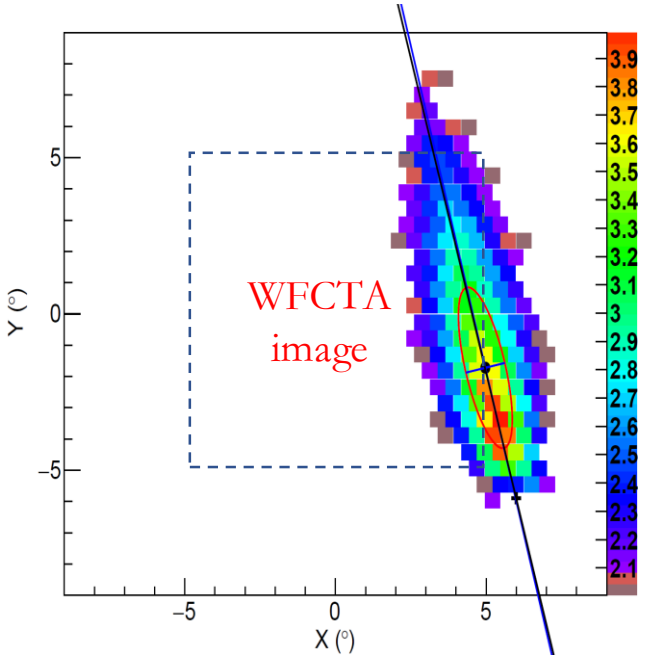
➢ WFCTA:

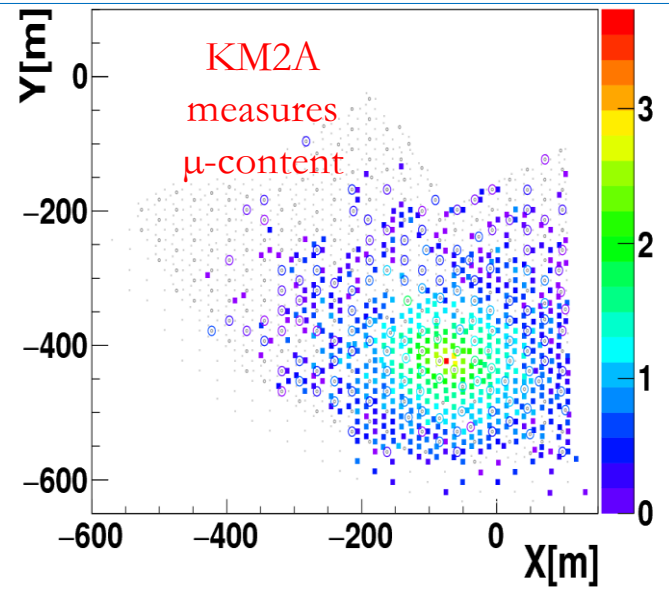
1. Number of pixels: Npix>6
2. FoV: $10° \times 10°$ for the centroid of the image
3. R_p: 100 – 300 m

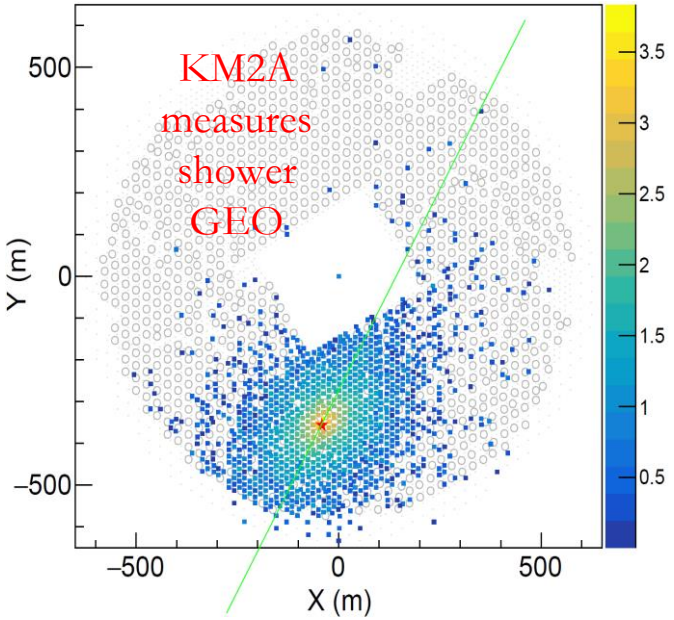
➢ KM2A:

1. Core (x, y)
   - $\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} < 500\ m$
   - !(|x'|<200 m & |y'| <150 m)
2. Number of hits in KM2A > 20







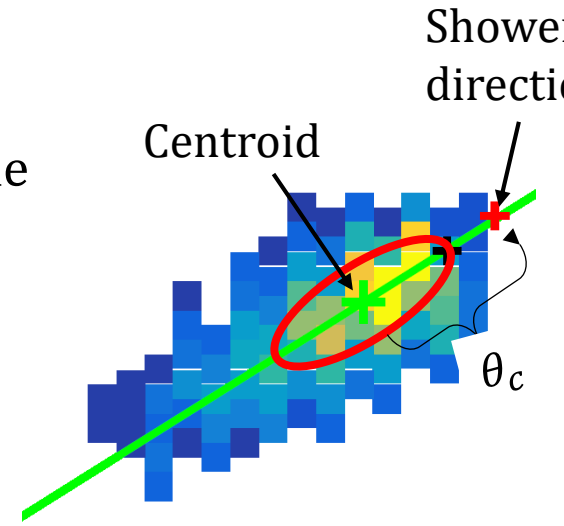


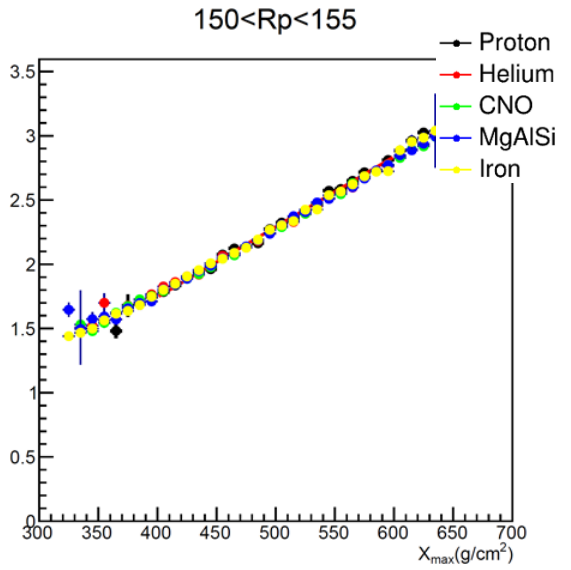
Proton Event Selection

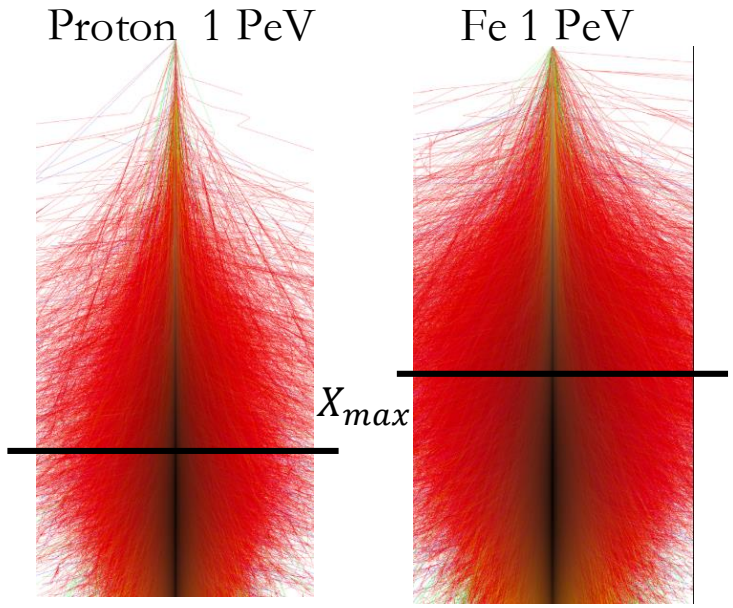
EAS maximum at X_{max} : $X_{max}^{A} = X_{max}^{P} - \lambda_r \ln A$

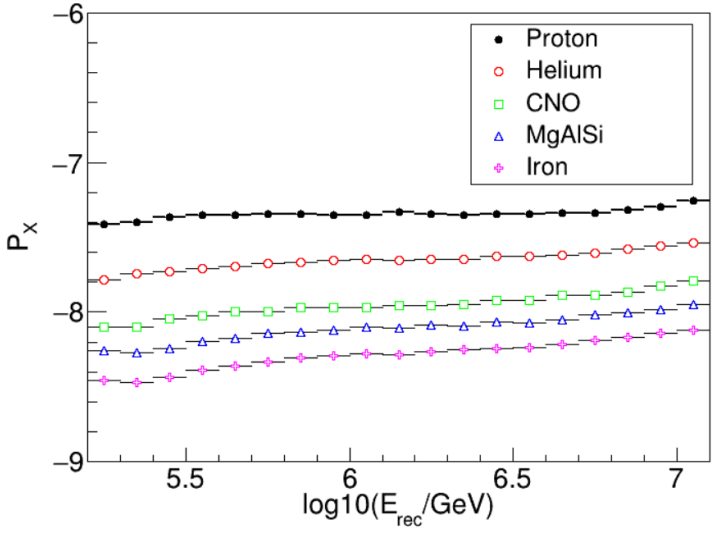
Elongation rate : $\Lambda \equiv \frac{dX_{max}}{d\log_{10}E} \approx 58\mathrm{g}\cdot\mathrm{cm}^{-2}/\mathrm{decade}$

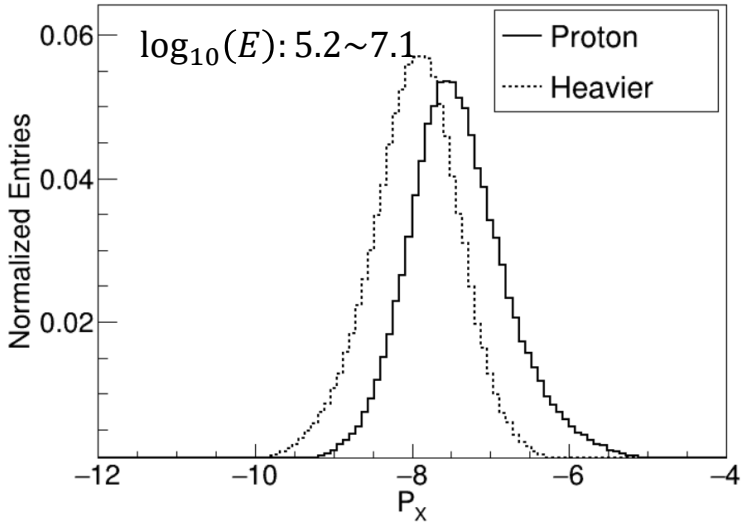
- $P_0 = \theta_c / \cos zenith - 1.32 \times 10^{-2} R_p$
- $P_X = P_0 + 0.13 \times \lg^2 E_{rec} - 2.16 \times \lg E_{rec}$











Proton Shower Selection: shower maximum depth & μ-content

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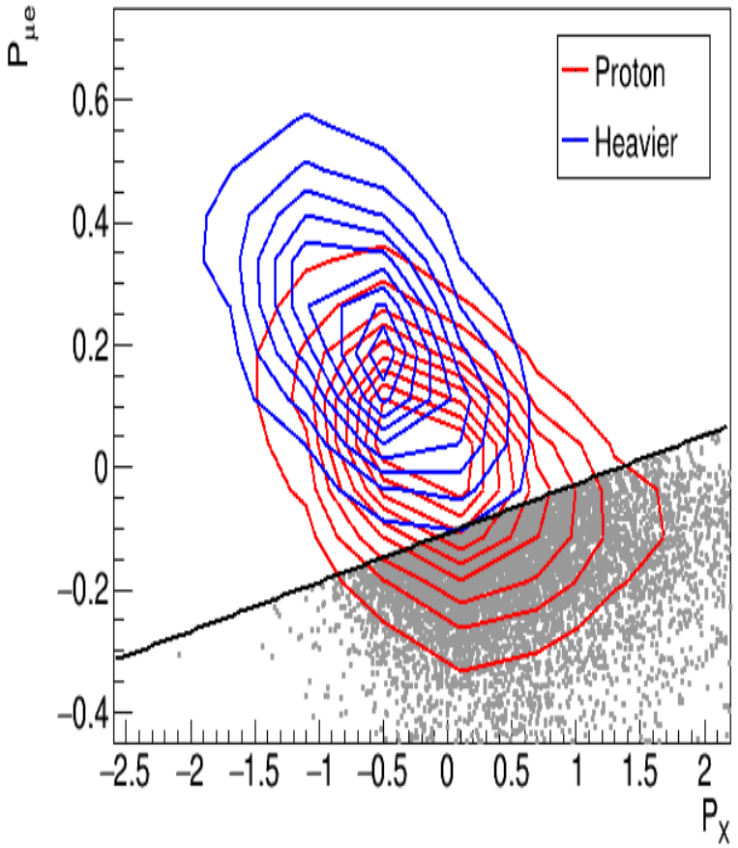
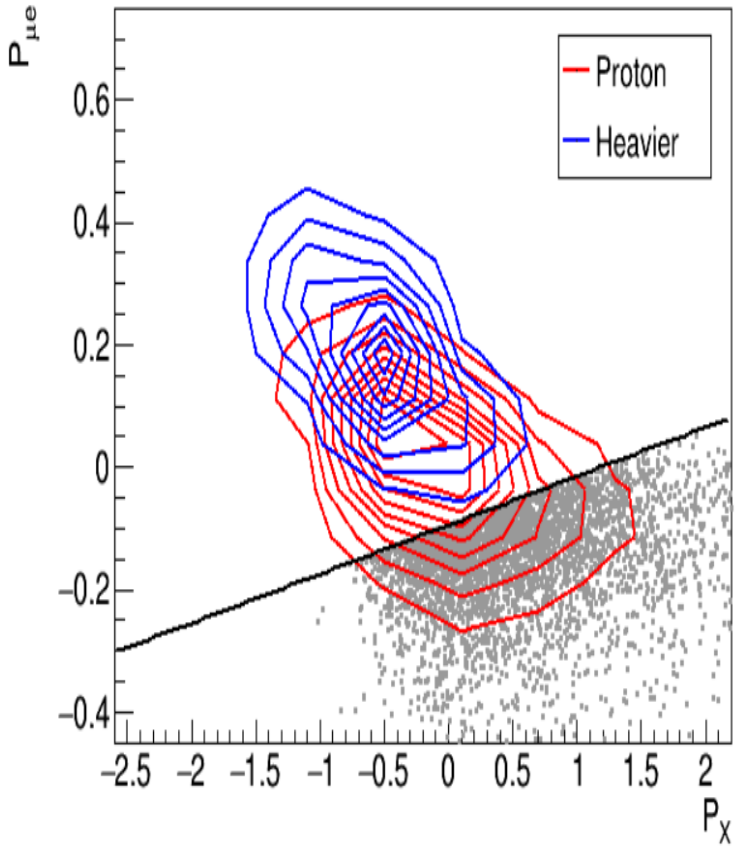
Proton Purity: $\epsilon^p = \frac{N_{sel}^P}{N_{sel}^{MC}} > 90\%$

$(for\ Eproton > 300\text{TeV})$

log10(E):5.50~5.60

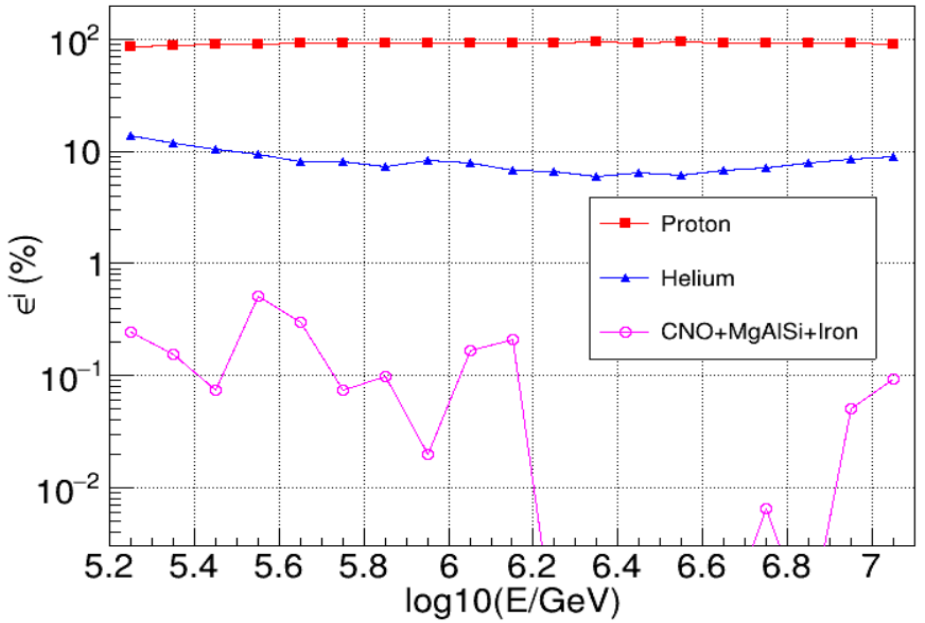


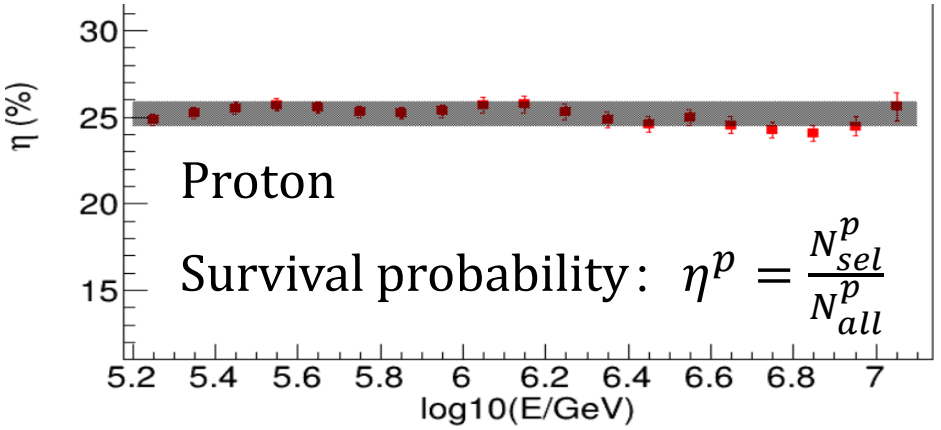
log10(E):6.00~6.10



Composition: $\epsilon^i = \frac{N_{sel}^i}{\Sigma N_{sel}^i}$ i= H, He, Other

(*After selection*)

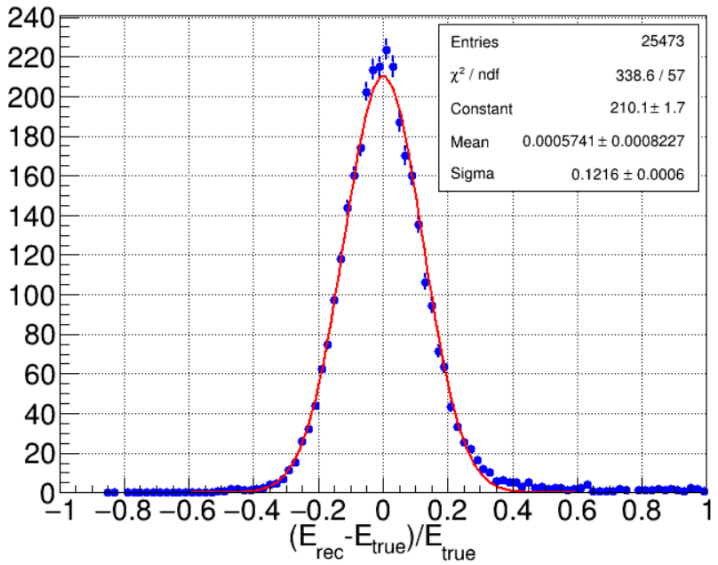


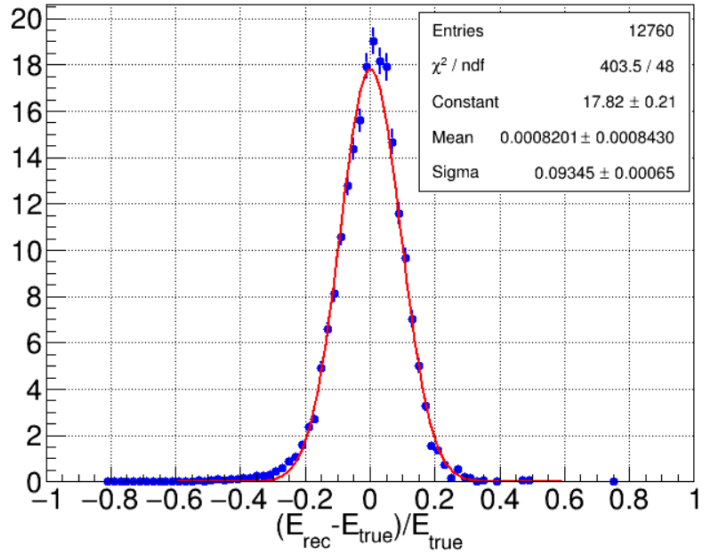


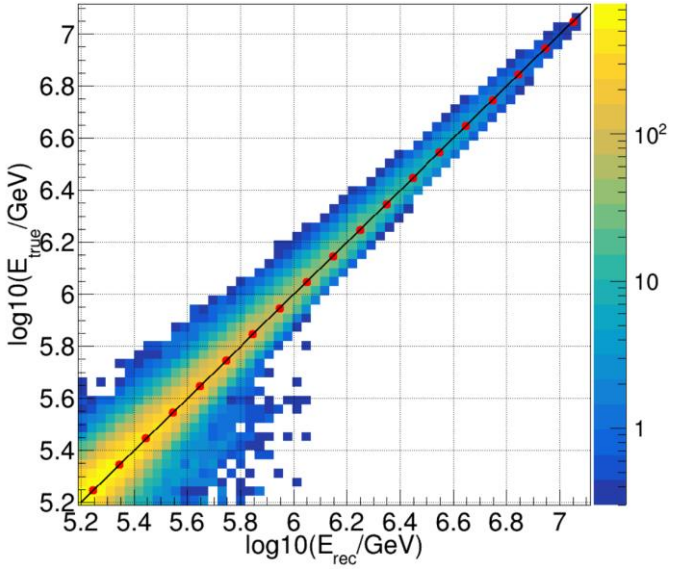
Proton Energy Reconstruction

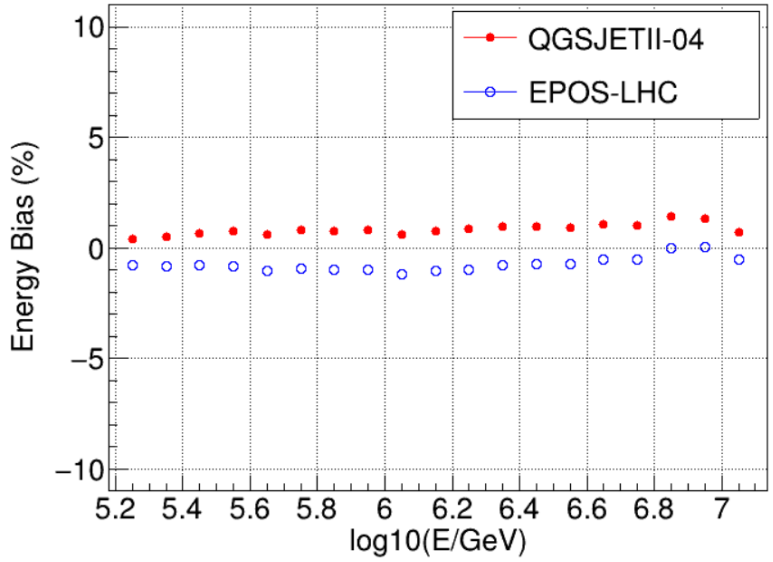
- Energy Resolution： <15%
- Systematic Bias： <2%
  (independent of shower energy)

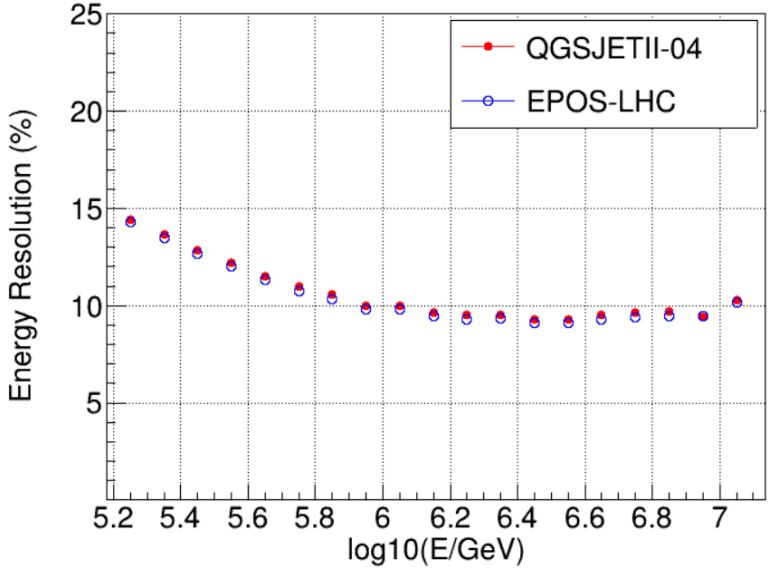
- Uncertainty mainly due to **hadronic interaction models**： ~1.4%





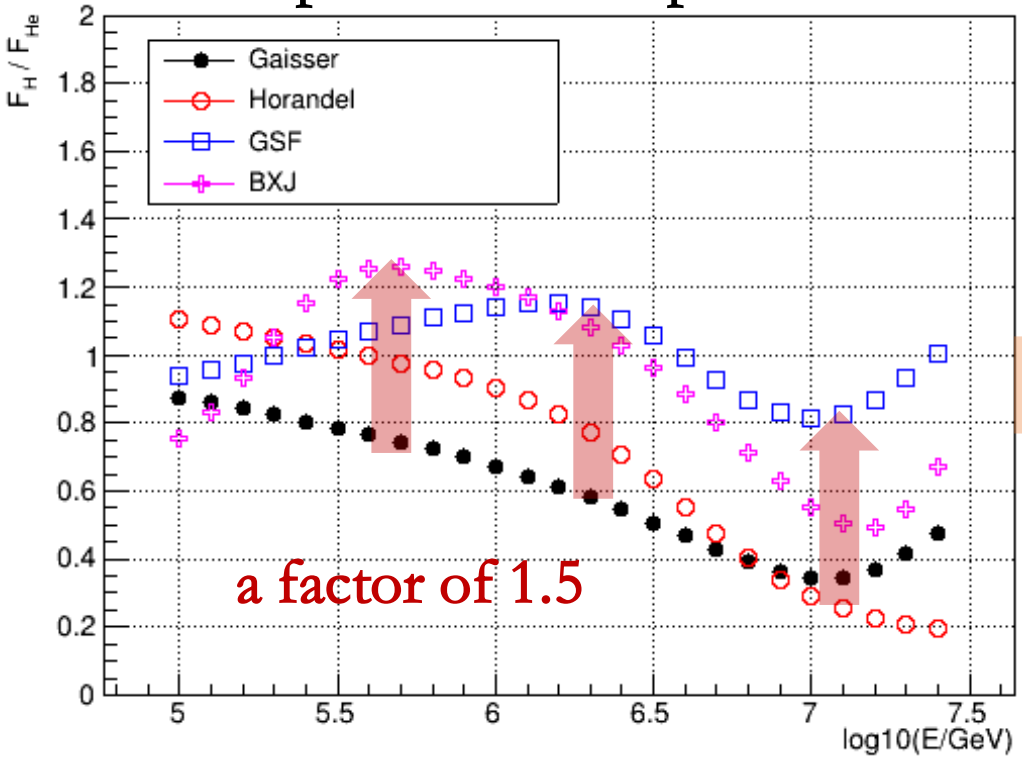




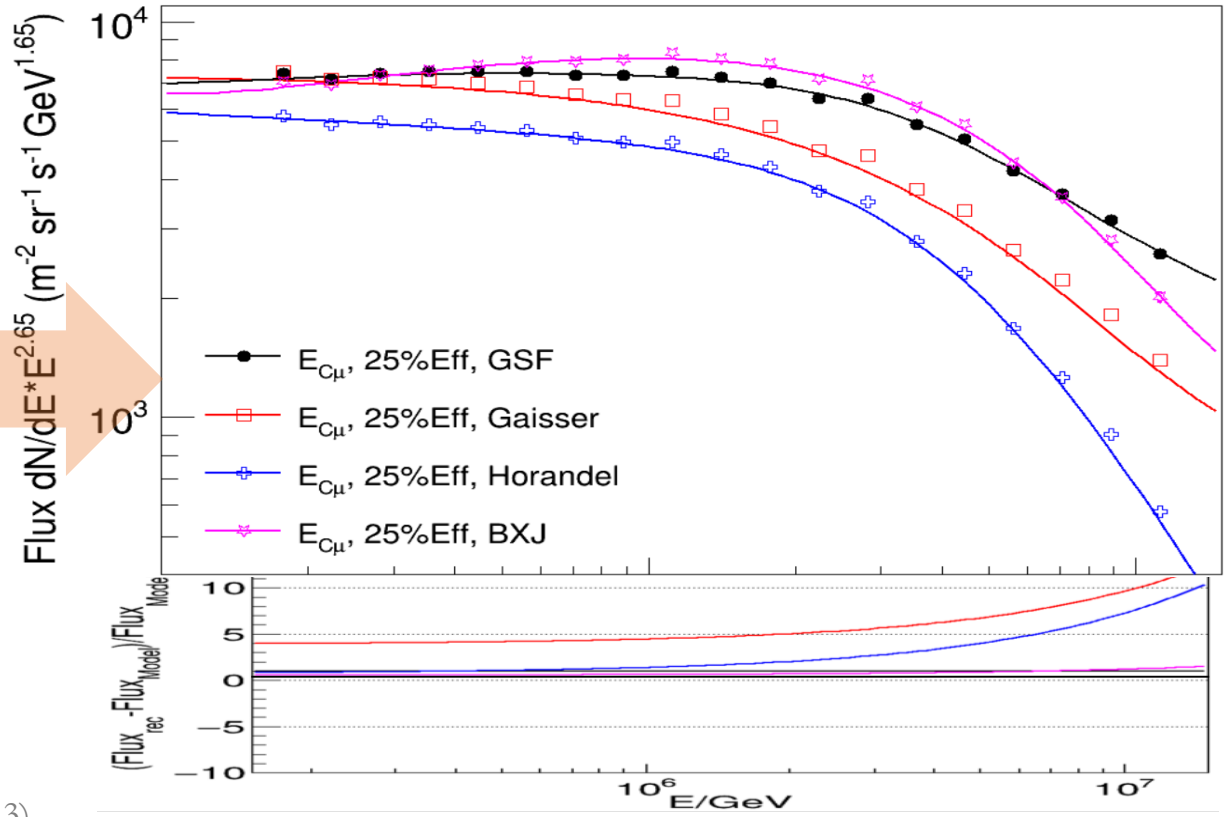


Tests using generated samples

Ratio of proton vs Helium nuclei in composition assumptions



re-produced pure-proton spectra under 4 assumption of composition mixtures



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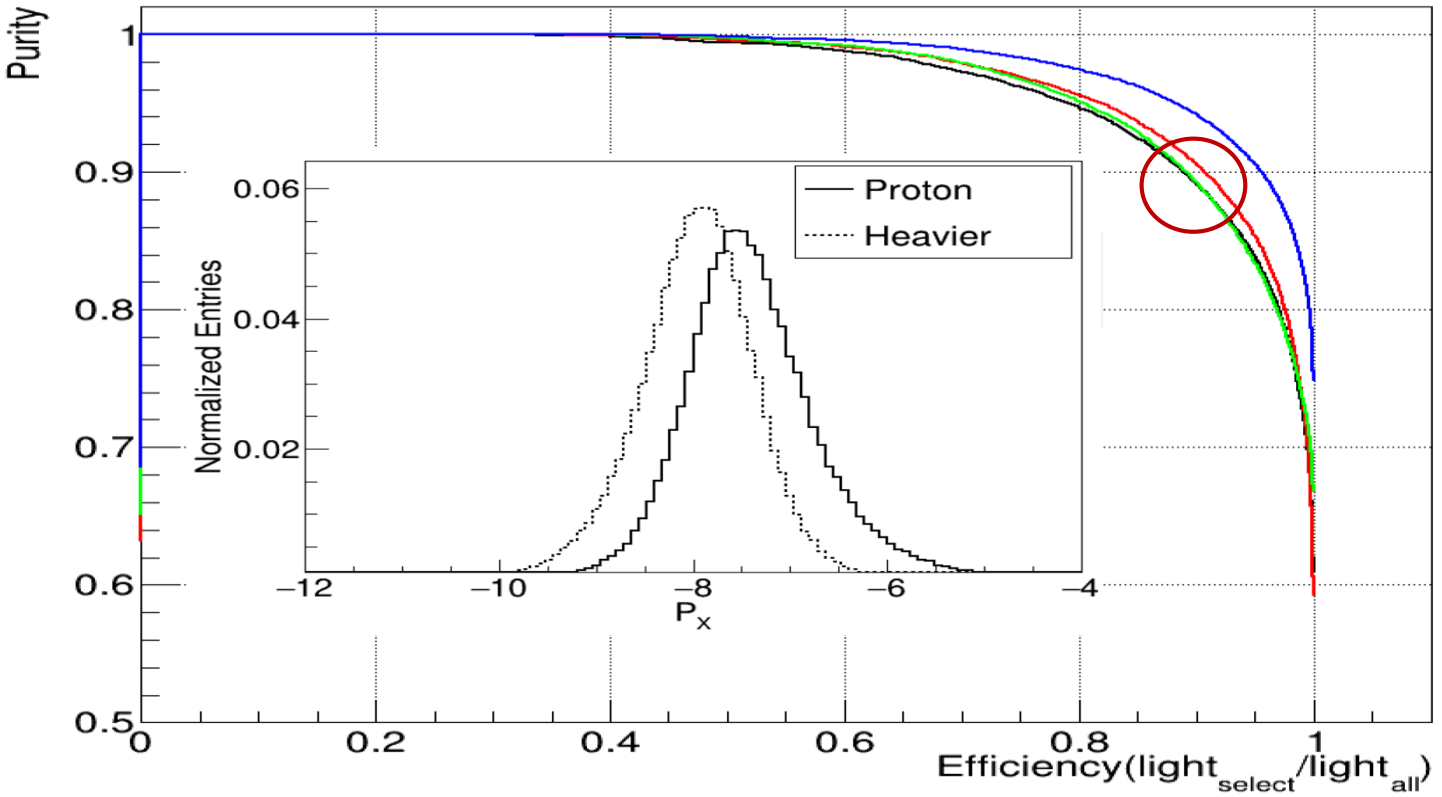
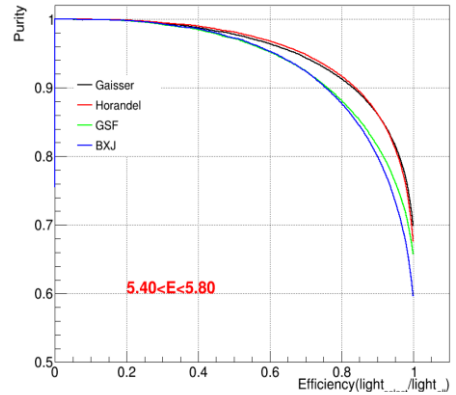
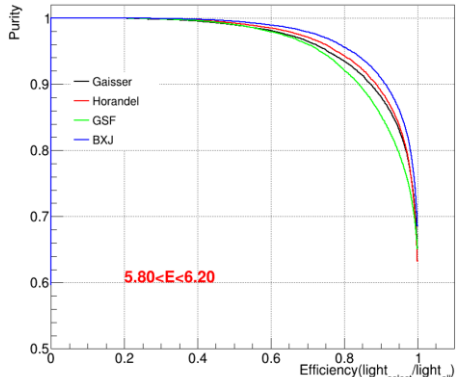
$$P_{\mu} = \log_{10} \frac{\rho_{\mu}}{\rho_e^{0.83}}$$

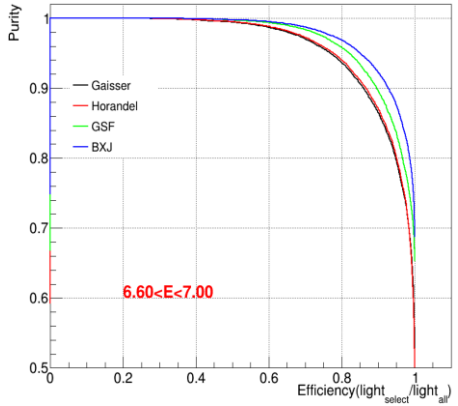
ρ_{μ}: *muon density in the ring between* 40m *and* 200m from the core

ρ_e: $EM - particle\ density\ in\ the\ ring\ between\ 40m\ and\ 200m$



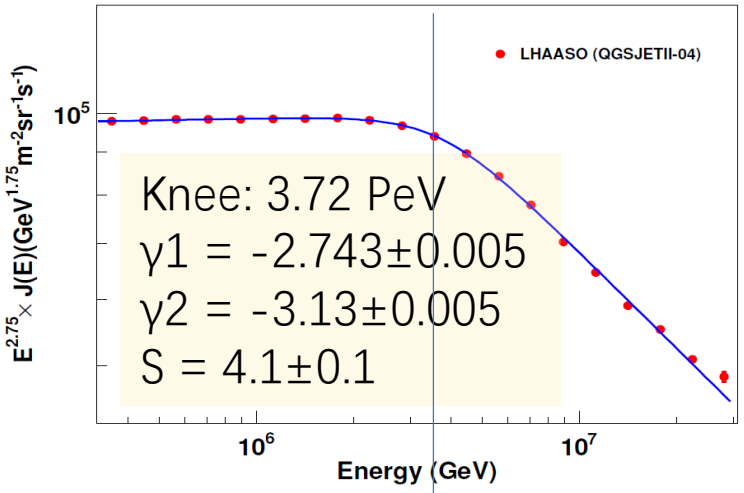


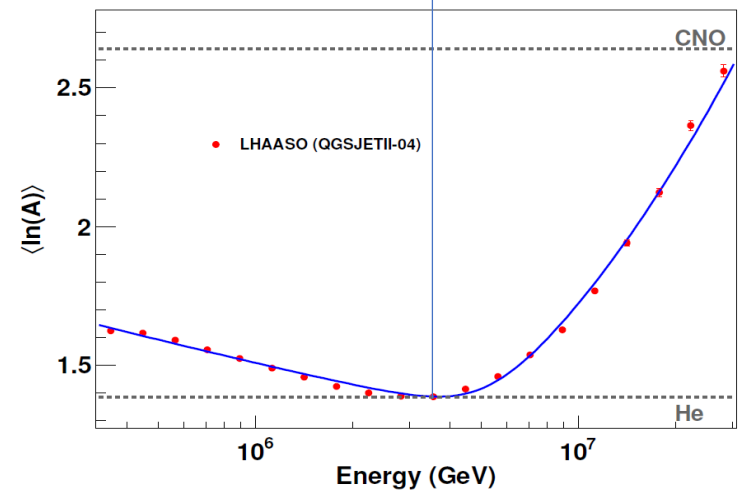


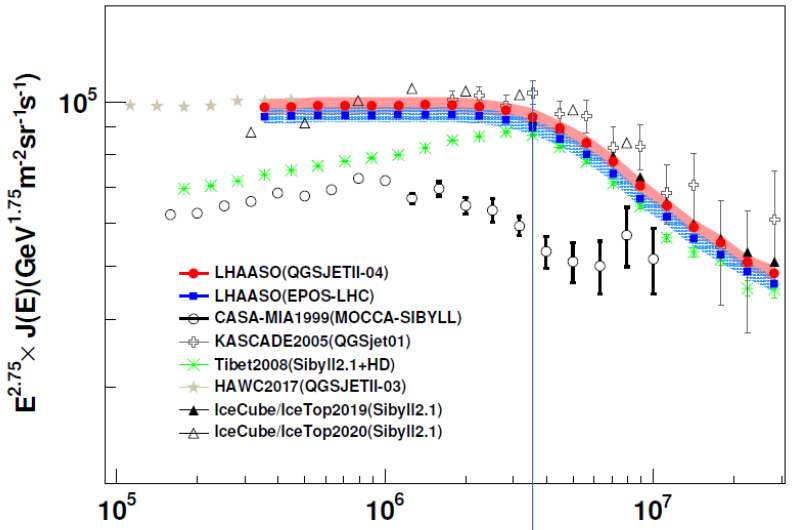


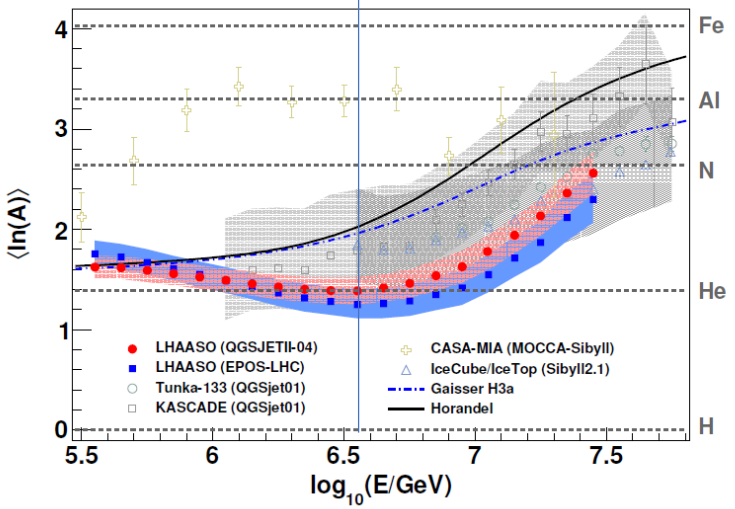
All-particle energy spectrum & composition by LHAASO

(from 0.3 to 30 PeV)







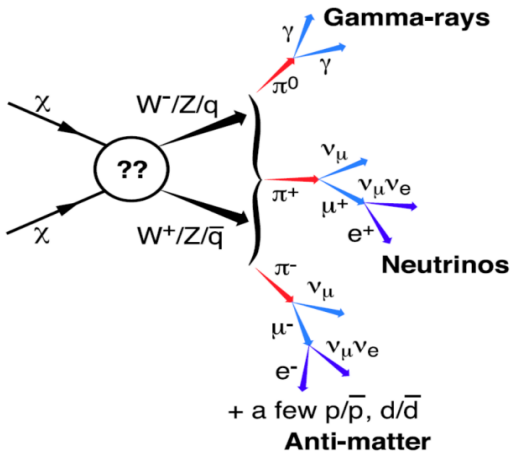


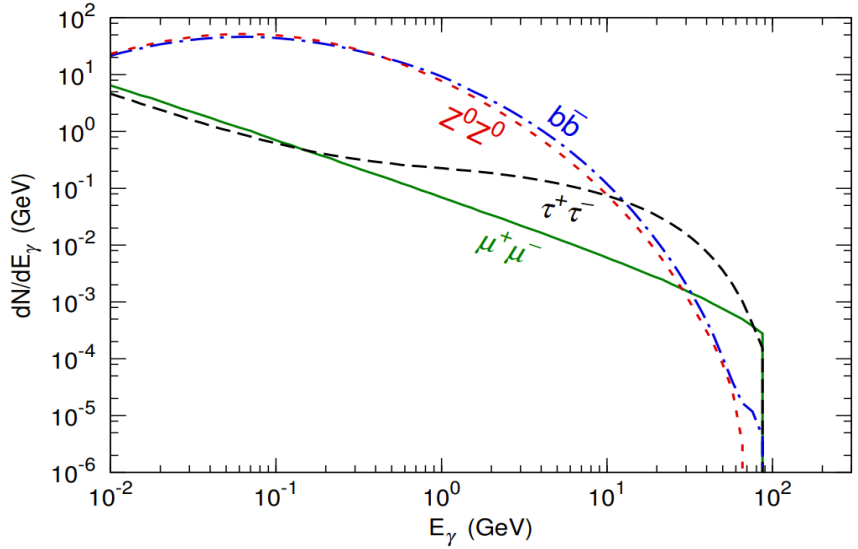
- Systematic uncertainties are sufficiently small
- This unveils a clear correlation between the flux and the composition at the knee

Search for new Physics

Indirect search of the Dark Mater

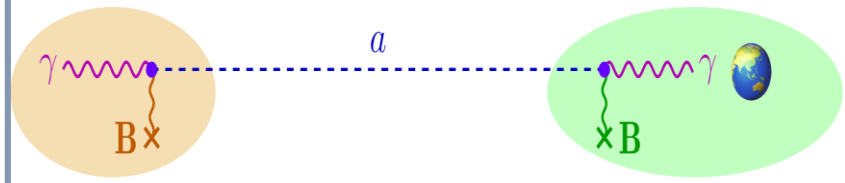
- Decay into γ's
- Annihilation: γ's in final states
- Oscillation between axions and photons





- Searching in
  - Dwarf Galaxies
  - Galactic Halo
  - G.C.

$$\mathcal{L}_{a\gamma\gamma} = -\frac{1}{4} g_{a\gamma\gamma} a F_{\mu\nu} \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} = g_{a\gamma\gamma} a \boldsymbol{E} \cdot \boldsymbol{B}$$



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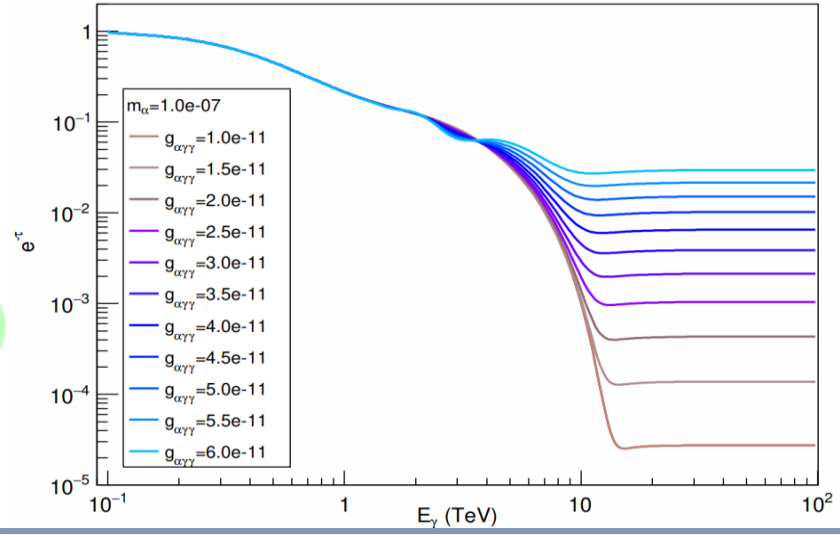
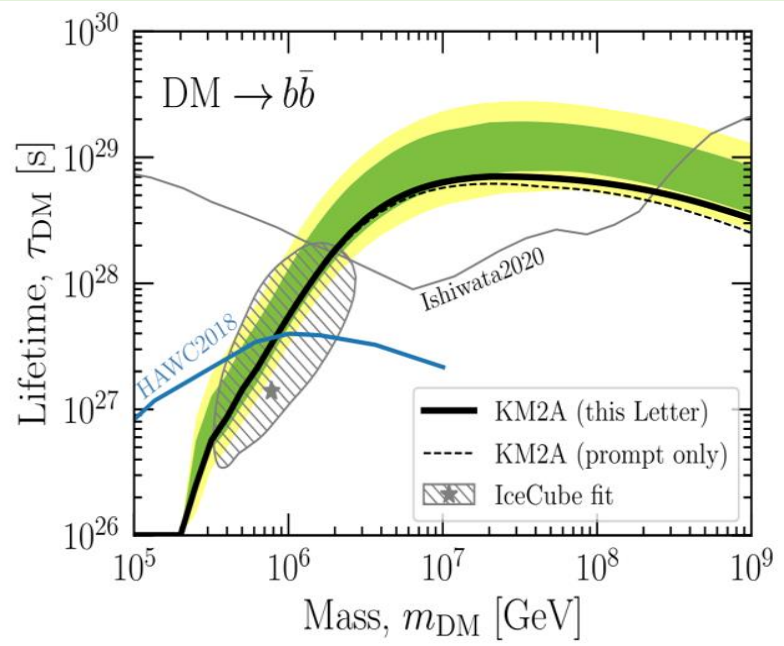


LHAASO searches for DM

In the halo, for decay signals

The most strict constraint in massive DM : life time

$\tau > 10^{21}$ yr



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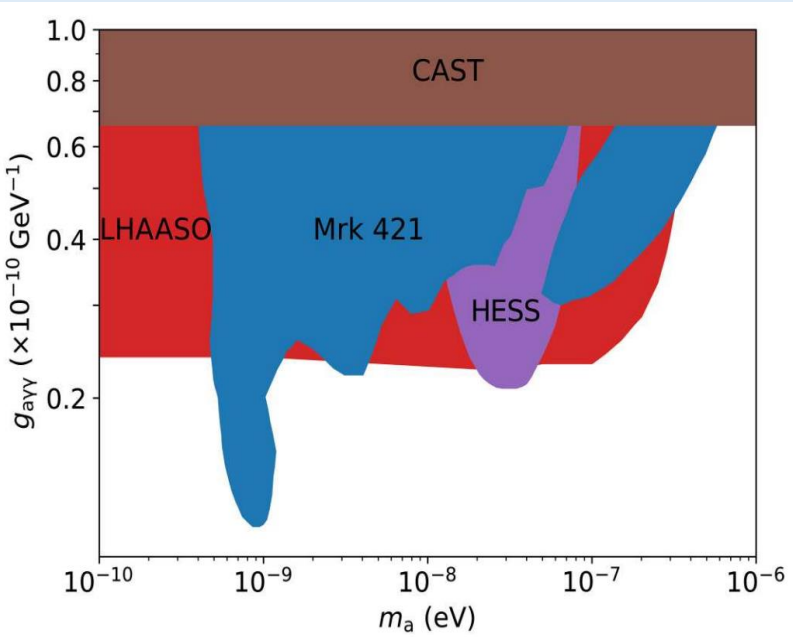
EBL absorption of 10 TeV photons from remote GRB (z=0.152) puts constraint in coupling between axion and photons



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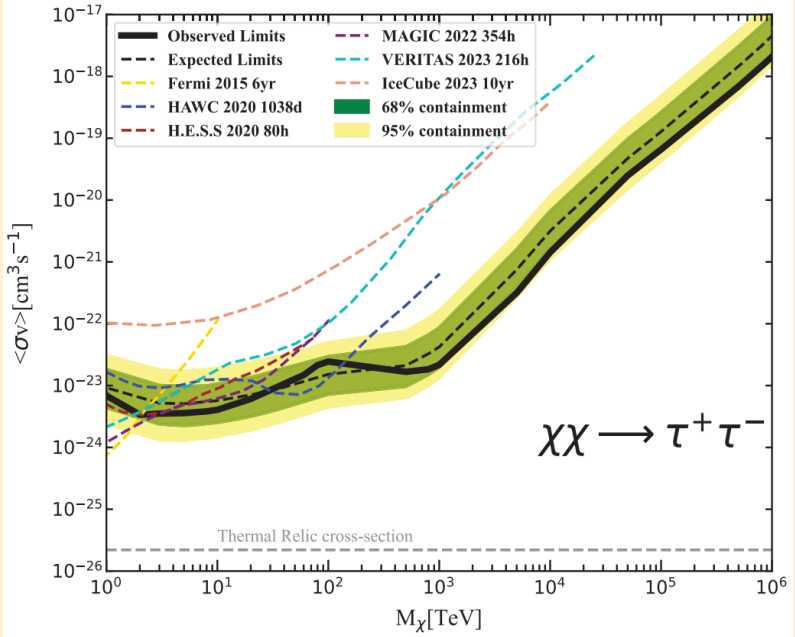
In dwarf galaxies, for annihilation signals

The most strict constraint in massive DM



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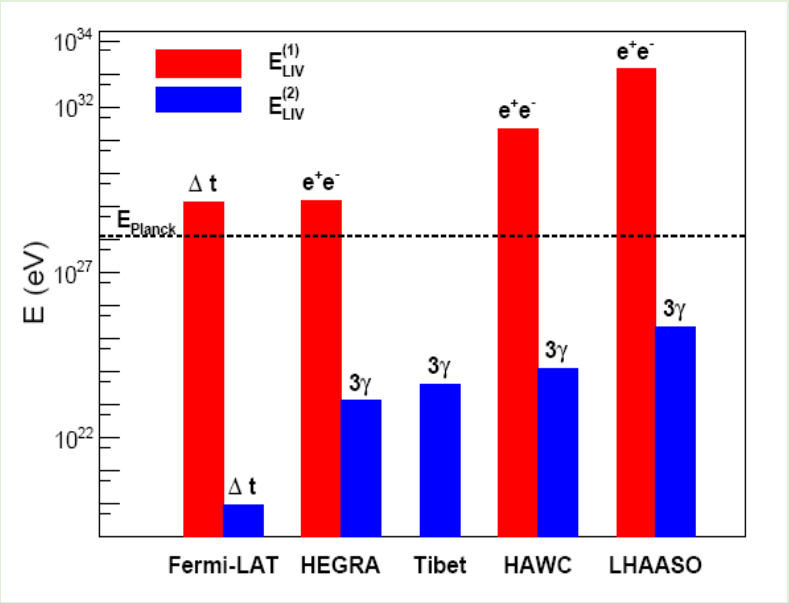
LHAASO on Lorentz Invariance Violation (LIV)

Decay of PeV photons from remote sources

$$E_\gamma^2 - p_\gamma^2 = \pm|\alpha_n| p_\gamma^{n+2}$$



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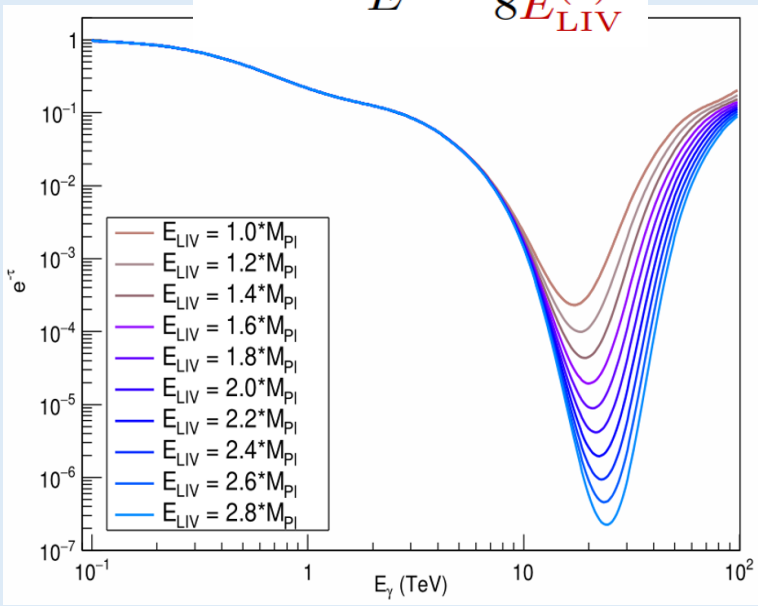
EBL absorption of 10 TeV photons from remote GRB (z=0.152)

$$\epsilon_{thr} = \frac{m_e^2}{E} + \frac{E^2}{8E^{(1)}_{LIV}}$$



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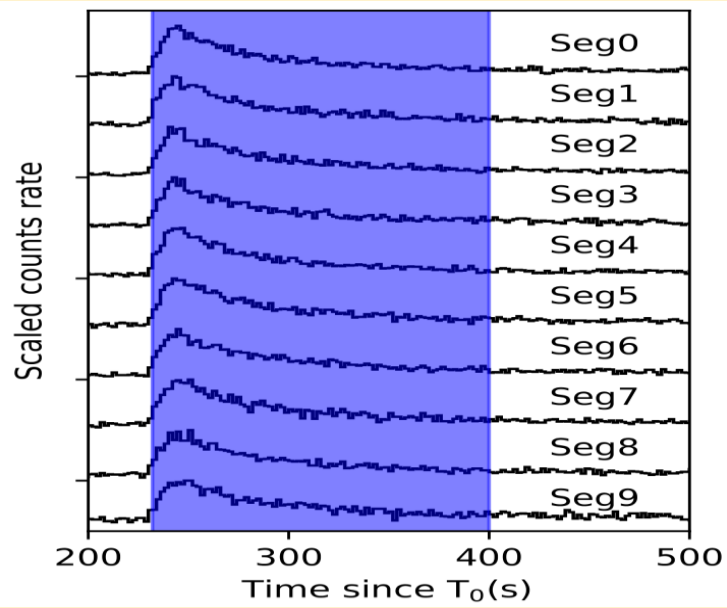
Energy dependence of the Speed of light

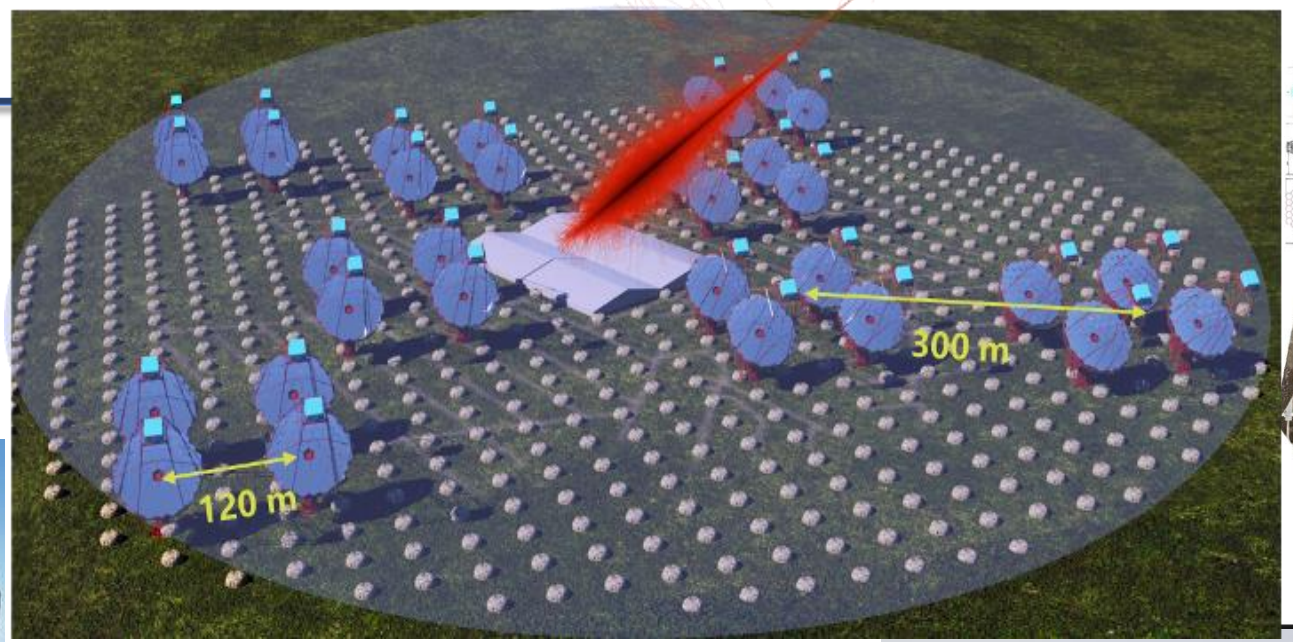
$$\Delta t_{LIV} = s\frac{n+1}{2}\frac{E_h^n - E_l^n}{E_{QG,n}^n}\int_0^z \frac{(1+z')^n}{H(z')}dz'$$

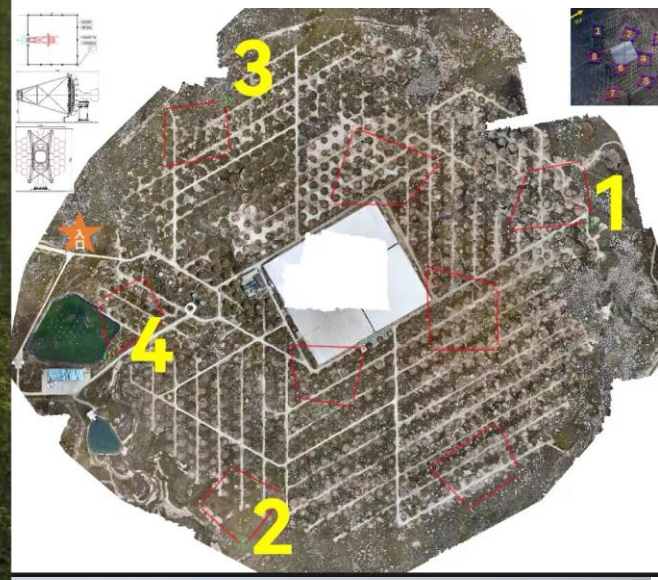


PRL in press, arXiv:2402.06009

Prospects

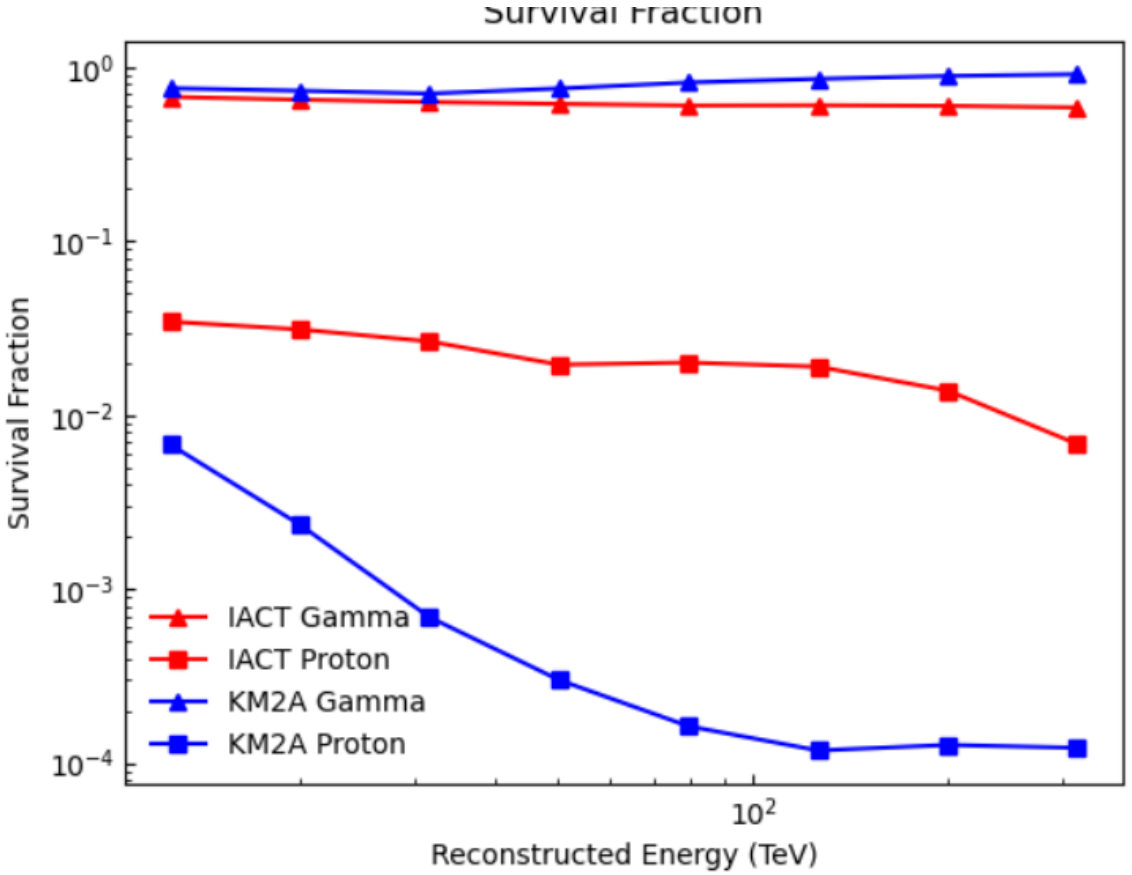
LACT : an IACT array in LHAASO



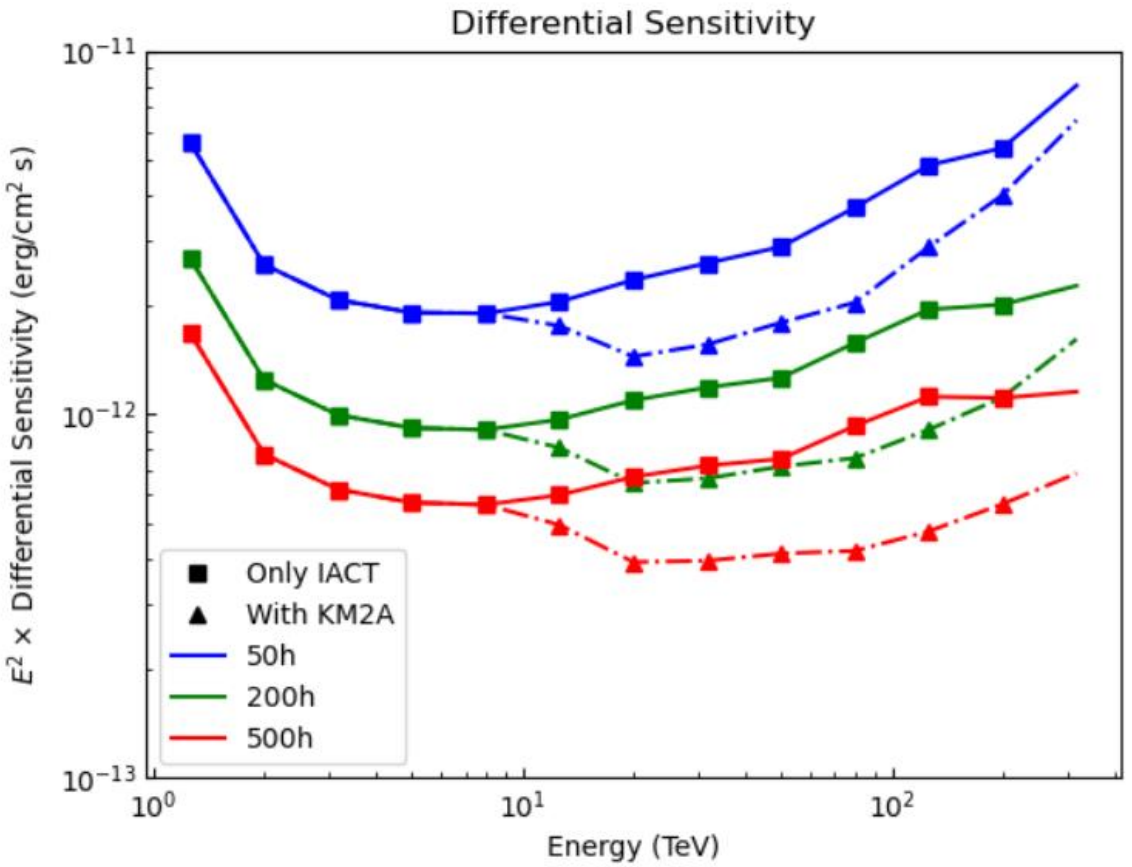


- Funded
- 8X4 array at LHAASO site
- 6-m telescopes
- two proto type telescopes
- First light soon in next year!

Synergy with LHAASO-KM2A

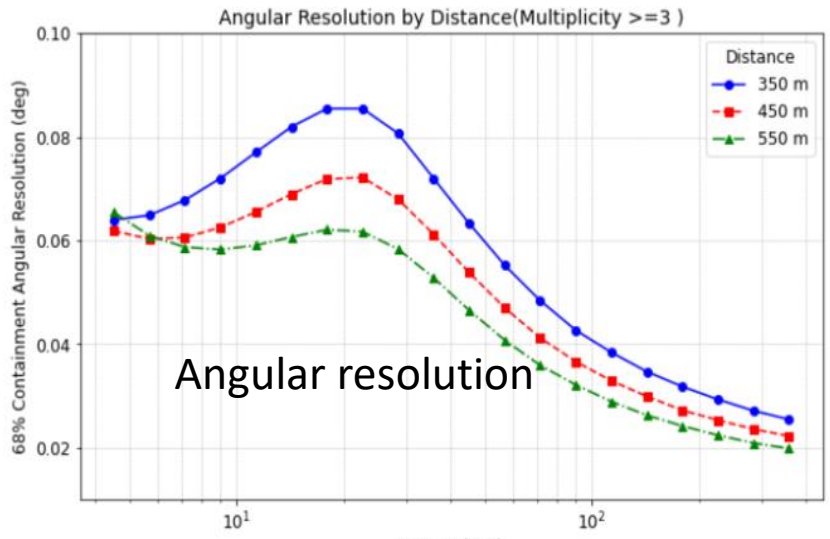


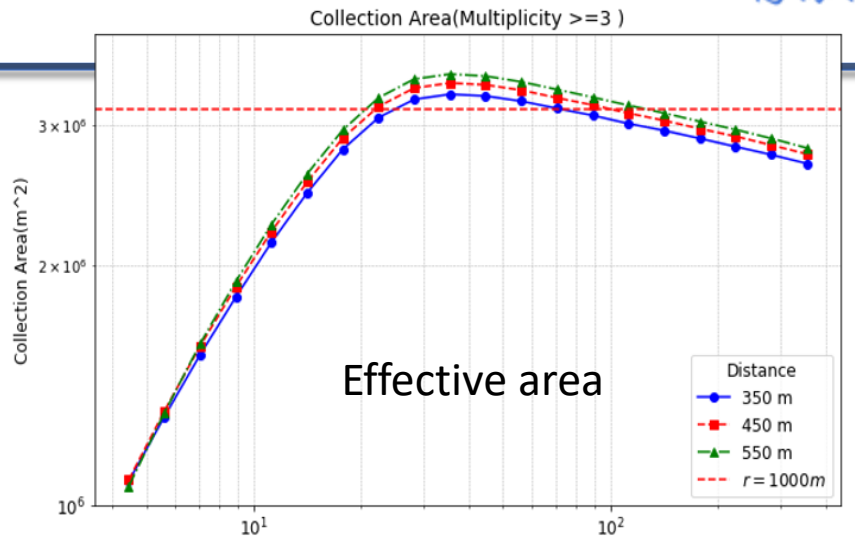
Using KM2A for γ/p separation

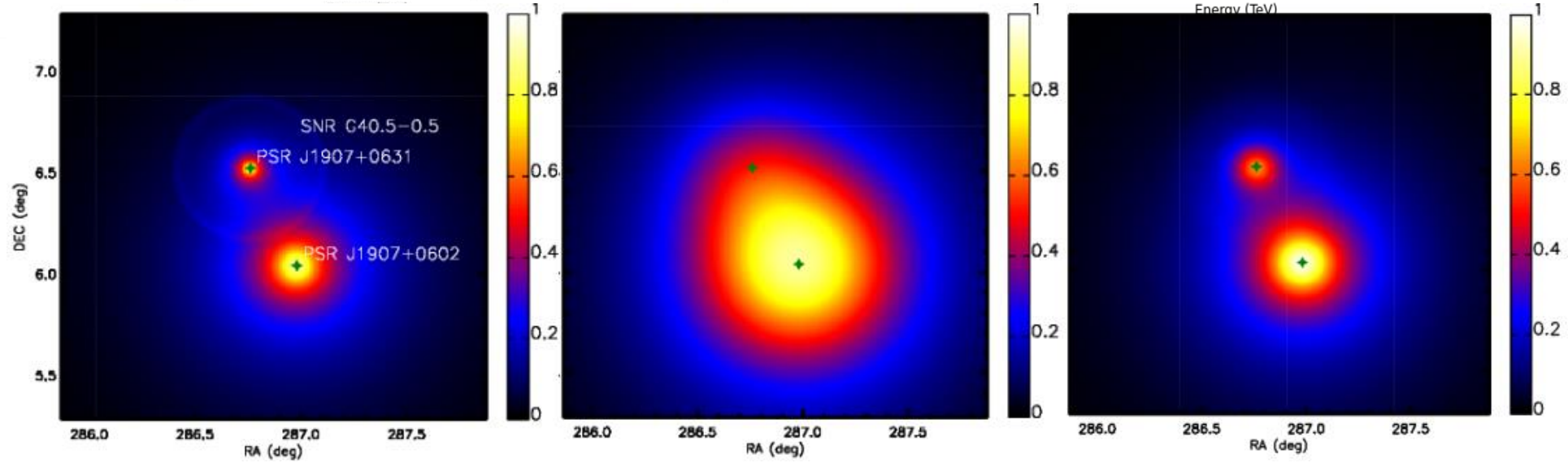


Sensitivity of LACT can be significantly improved above 10 TeV

Expected performance





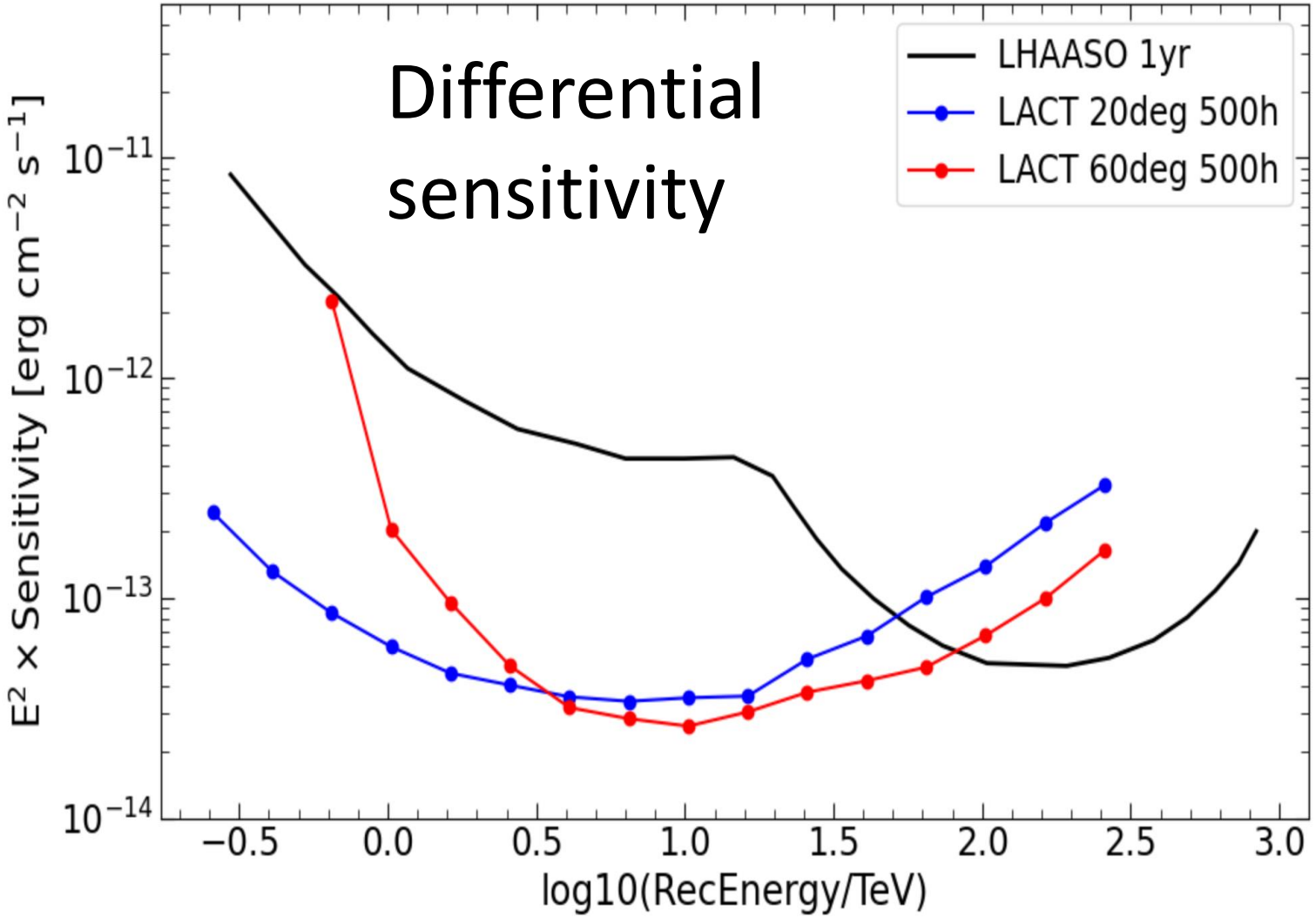


Intrinsic distributions

Observation by LHAASO

Observation of IACTs

Expectations



Construct Schedule

	LACT progresses				
	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
First telescope	11 months				
¼ array		10 months			
½ array			11 Moths		
32 telescopes				22 months	
Test running					6 months

High-energy Underwater Neutrino Telescope

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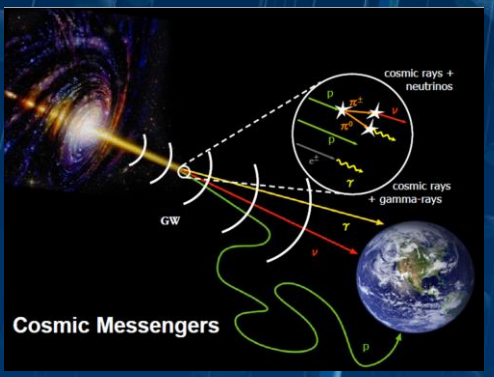


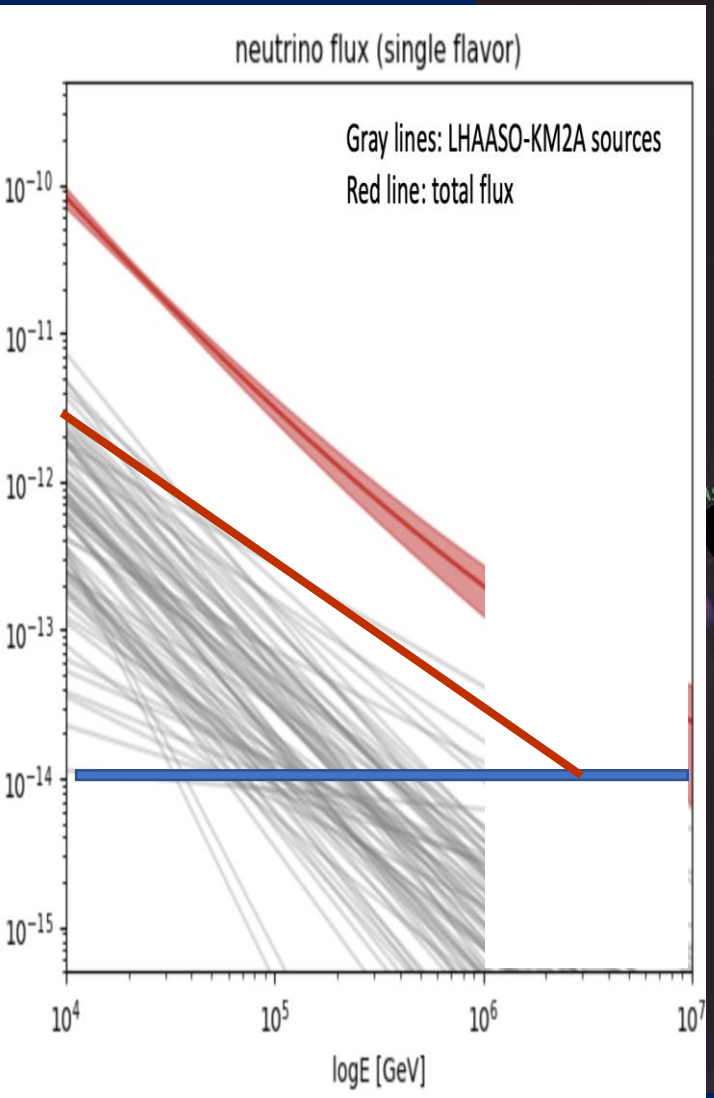
36 m

130 m

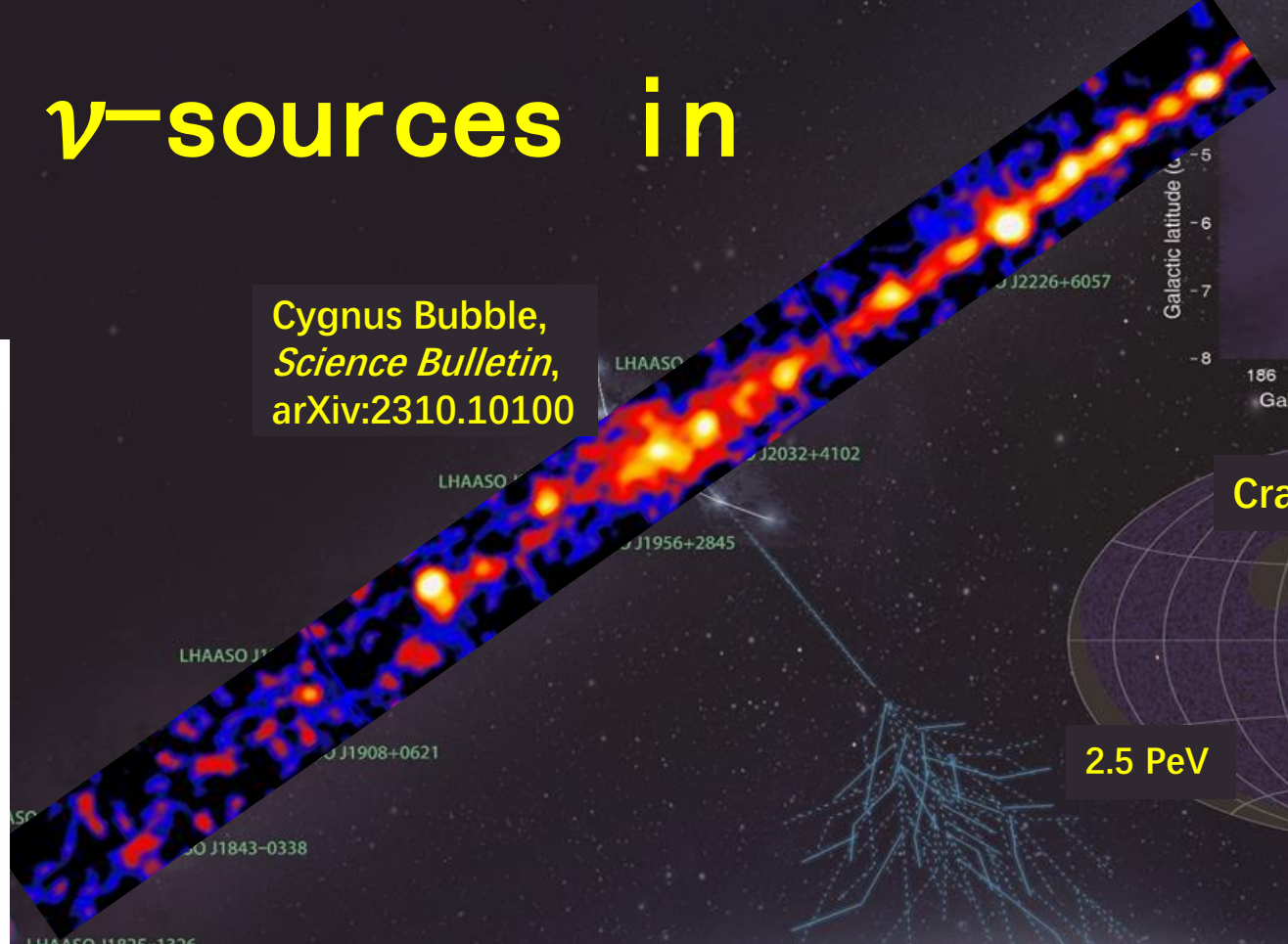
- Resulution ~0.1°(tracks), <3°(cascades)
- Energy resolution: ΔlogE~0.3(tracks)
  ΔE~10-30% (cascades).
- Discovering Neu sources (>100 TeV) at the level of 5σ within several years

- Volume： 6×6 = 36 km^2, **~30 km^3**
- Separations of strings： Dstring ~ 130 m
- Separation of optical modules： DOM ~36 m
- Length of each string： ~860 m
- ~2,300 strings, 24 OMs in each string， 55000 OMs in total

Guaranteed ν-sources in our galaxy



Cygnus Bubble, *Science Bulletin*, arXiv:2310.10100



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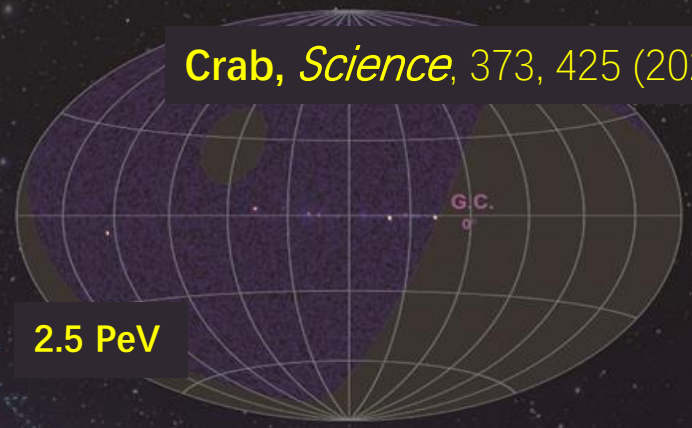

2.5 PeV

PeVatrons, *Nature 594:33-36 (2021)*

Summary

- LHAASO has been stably operating since 2021
- Progresses in both γ-ray astronomy and CR researches
  - RG, Blazars and GRB observations provide insight of AGN radiation mechanisms and useful way to constrain EBL
  - Many new discoveries in galactic sources for deep investigations of their features
  - Discovering galactic Sources of Cosmic Rays above the knee is particular exciting
  - Diffuse photon flux is found a factor 2 or 3 higher than expectation, a big issue!
  - Measuring CR Spectra of Individual Species around knees is a big step towards understanding the knee feature
- Progresses in New Physics Search: massive DM, axion DM and LIV
- Future
  - Better resolution (3') in UHE γ-observation in short term
  - Neutrinos from PeVatrons is the goal for a long run