

# **PARTICLE ACCELERATION IN SNR AND THE POSITRON EXCESS**

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# OUTLINE

1. Basic aspects of particle acceleration in SNRs
2. Production of secondary particles
3. Particles that stay and particles that become CRs
4. Charged secondary particles in the acceleration region
5. The positron “excess”
6. The contribution to anti-protons

# SN Type I and type II

## SN Ia

Accretion induced  
collapse of a white  
Dwarf

It explodes in the  
typical ISM

No left-over

## SN II

Collapse of a massive  
star

Explodes in the bubble  
created by the wind  
of the pre-SN

It leaves a pulsar

Calculations show that they contribute roughly the  
same to the CR flux at the Earth

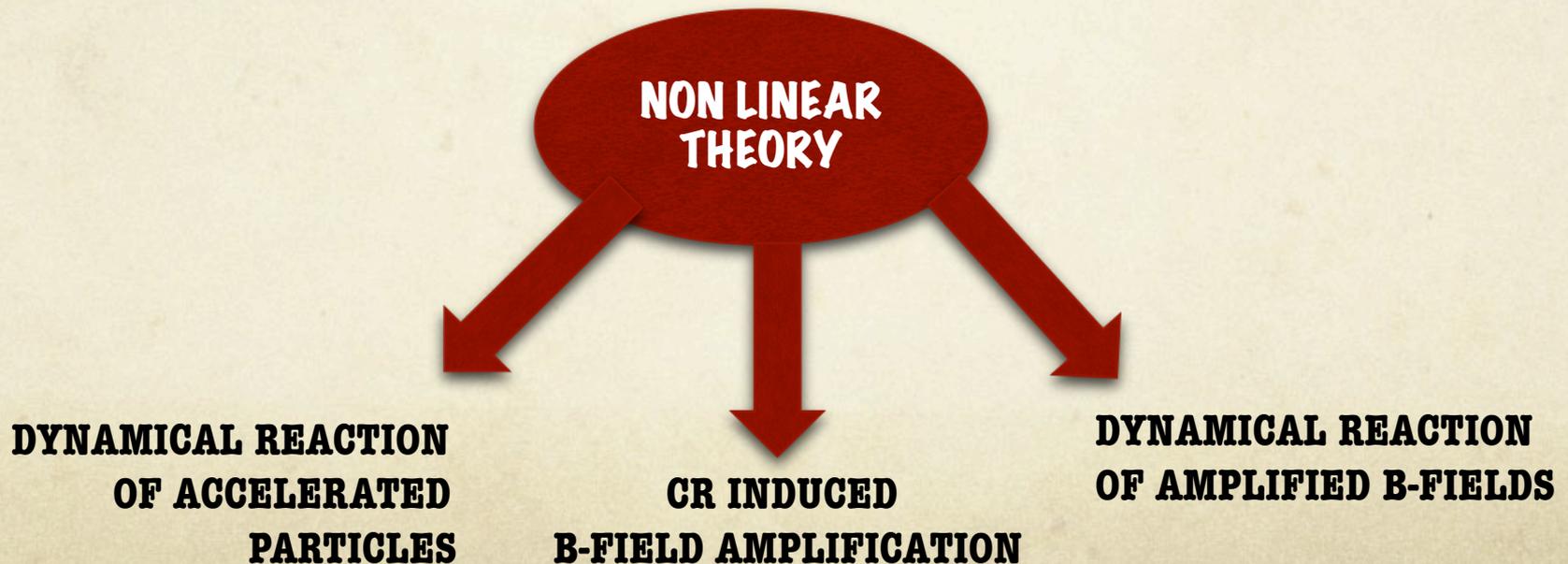
# BASIC ASPECTS OF PARTICLE ACCELERATION IN SNRs

1. THE MECHANISM OF ENERGY CONVERSION IS FIRST ORDER FERMI ACCELERATION AT THE SHOCK
2. ACCELERATED PARTICLES MODIFY THE SHOCK PROFILE SO TO MAKE IT EFFICIENT (NON LINEAR 1)
3. ACCELERATED PARTICLES CAN AMPLIFY LOCAL MAGNETIC FIELDS (NON LINEAR 2)
4. THE NON LINEAR EFFECTS GETS SMALLER IN LATER PHASES

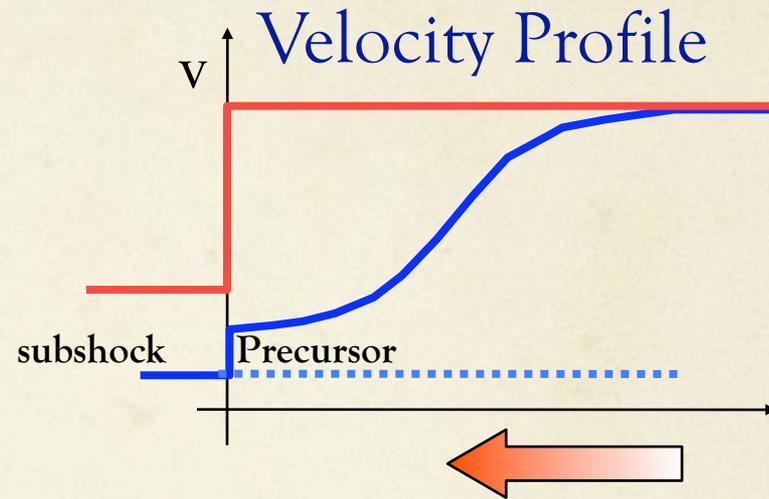
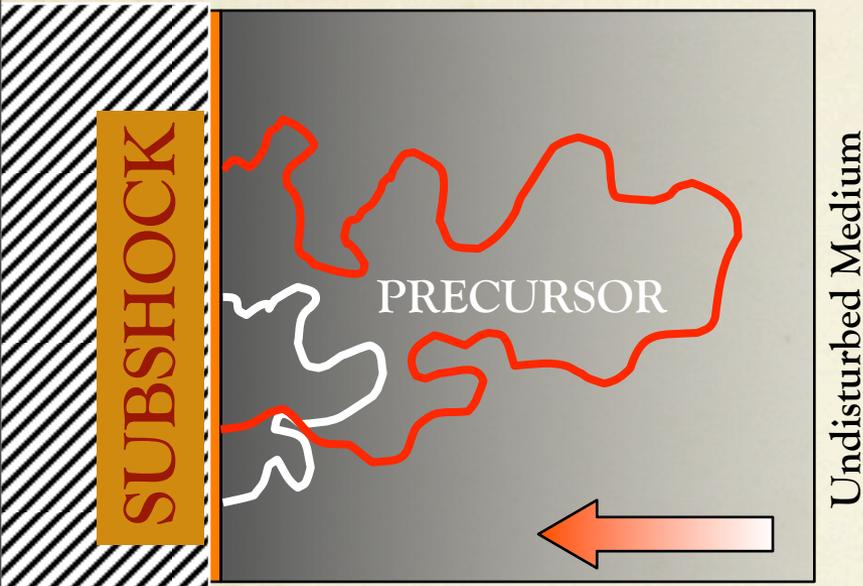
# BEYOND TEST PARTICLES: **Non linear DSA**

Berezhko & Voelk, PB, Amato & PB, Ellison et al...

- 1. TEST PARTICLE THEORY PROVIDES NO INFO ON ACCELERATION EFFICIENCY**
- 2. THE REQUIRED EFFICIENCIES ARE SUCH THAT CR SHOULD EXERT A DYNAMICAL REACTION ON THE SYSTEM**
- 3. IN TP THEORY THERE IS NO EASY WAY TO REACH THE KNEE**



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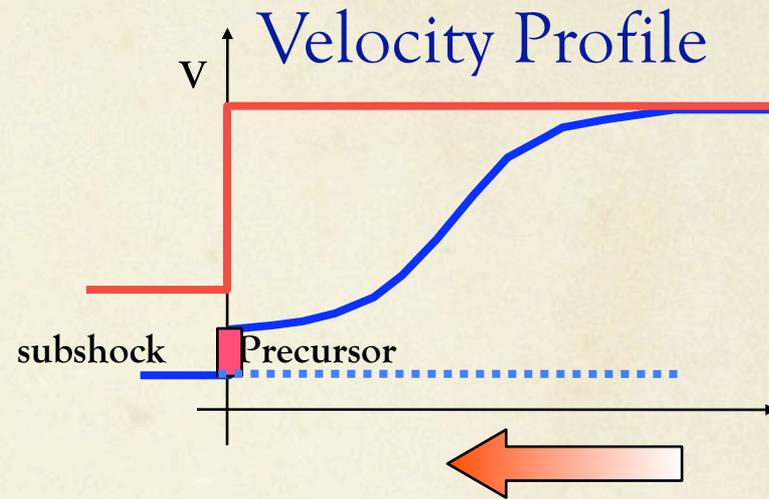
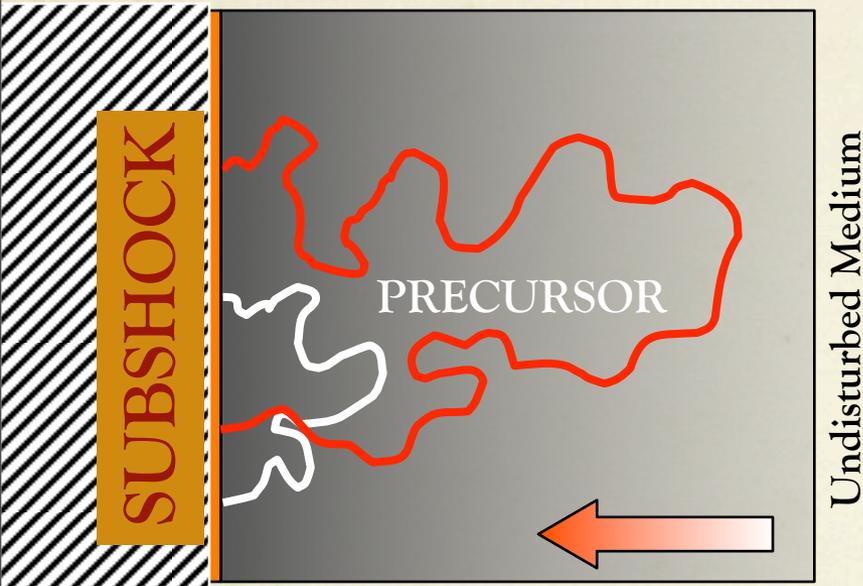
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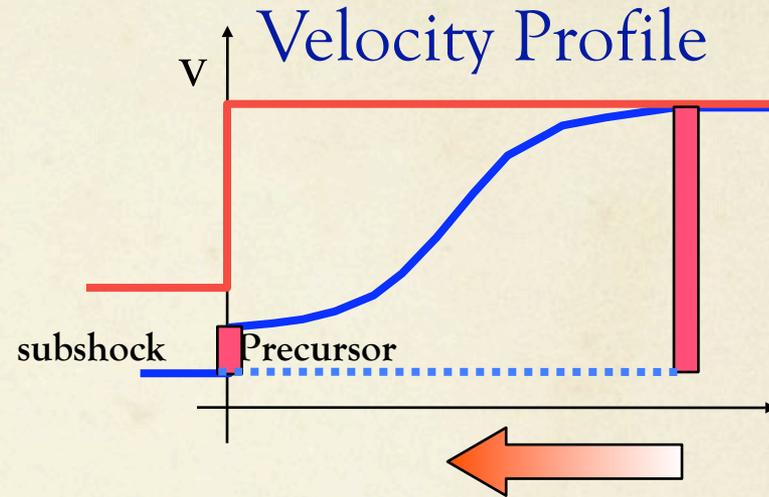
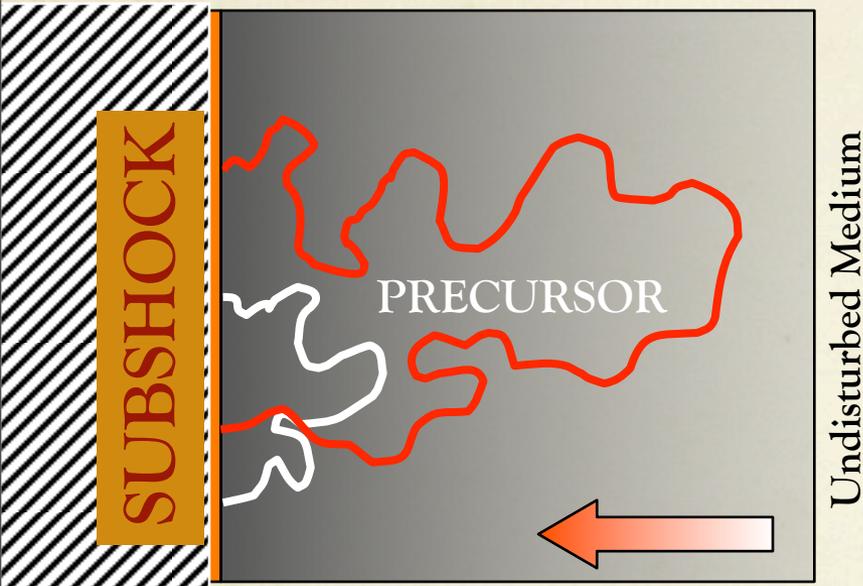
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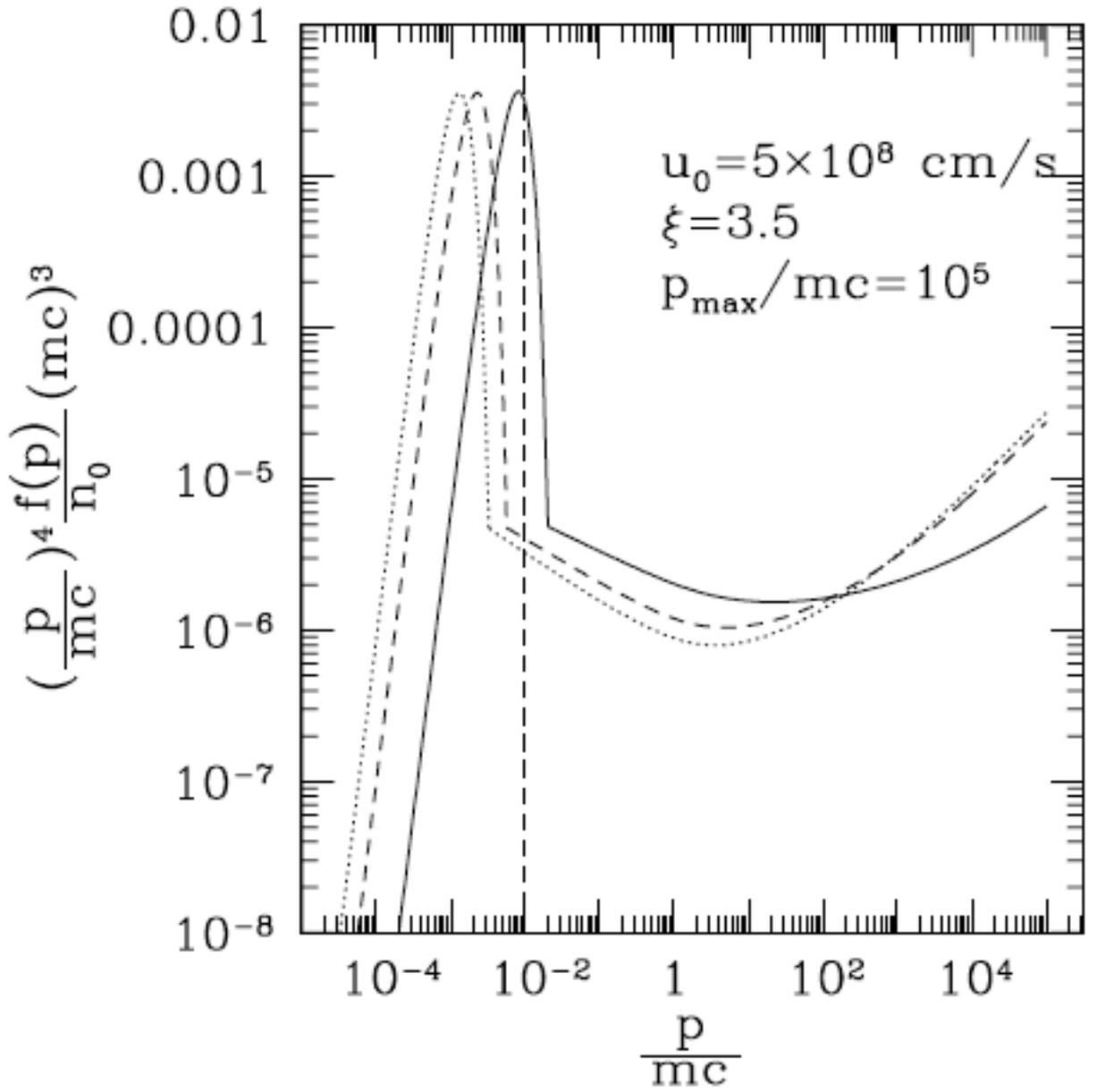
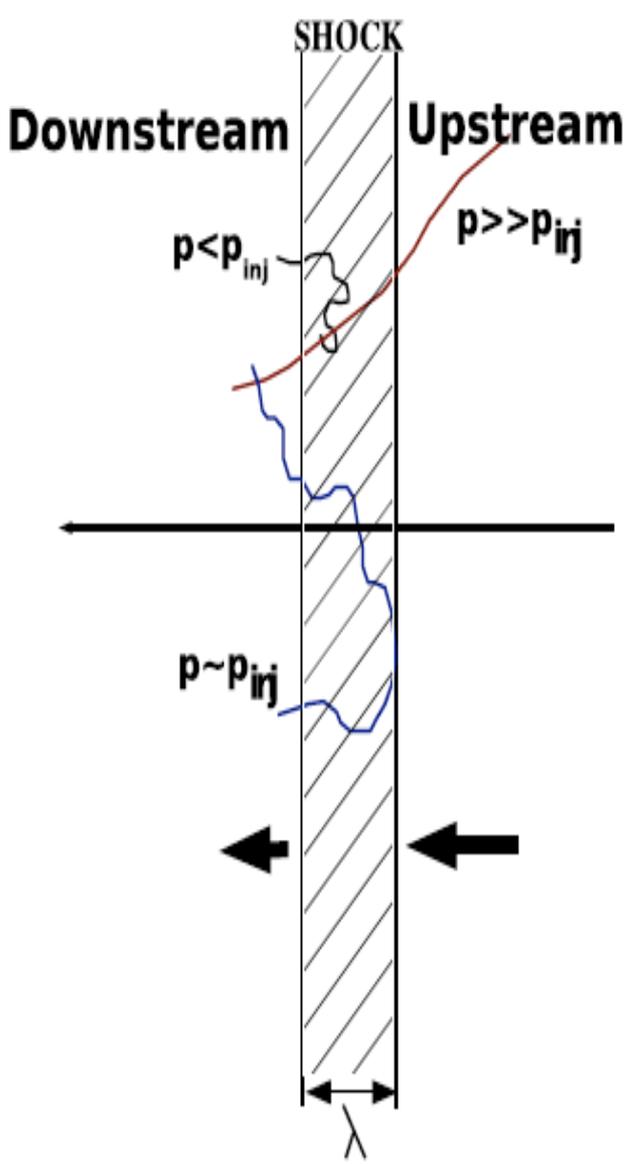


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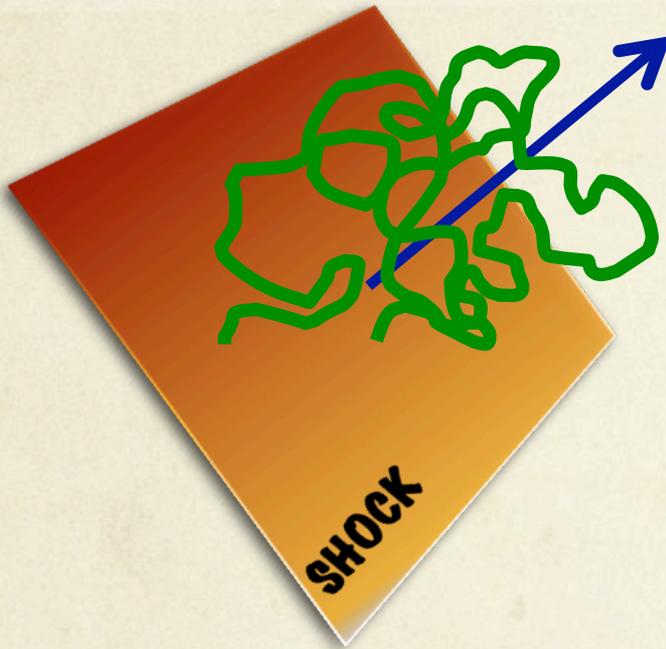
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# MAGNETIC FIELD AMPLIFICATION



**SMALL PERTURBATIONS IN THE LOCAL B-FIELD CAN BE AMPLIFIED BY THE SUPER-ALFVENIC STREAMING OF THE ACCELERATED PARTICLES**

$$\tau = \frac{1}{\Omega(\delta B / B)^2}$$

$$\frac{dP_{CR}}{dt} = \frac{n_{CR} m_p \gamma_{CR} (v_S - v_A)}{\tau}$$

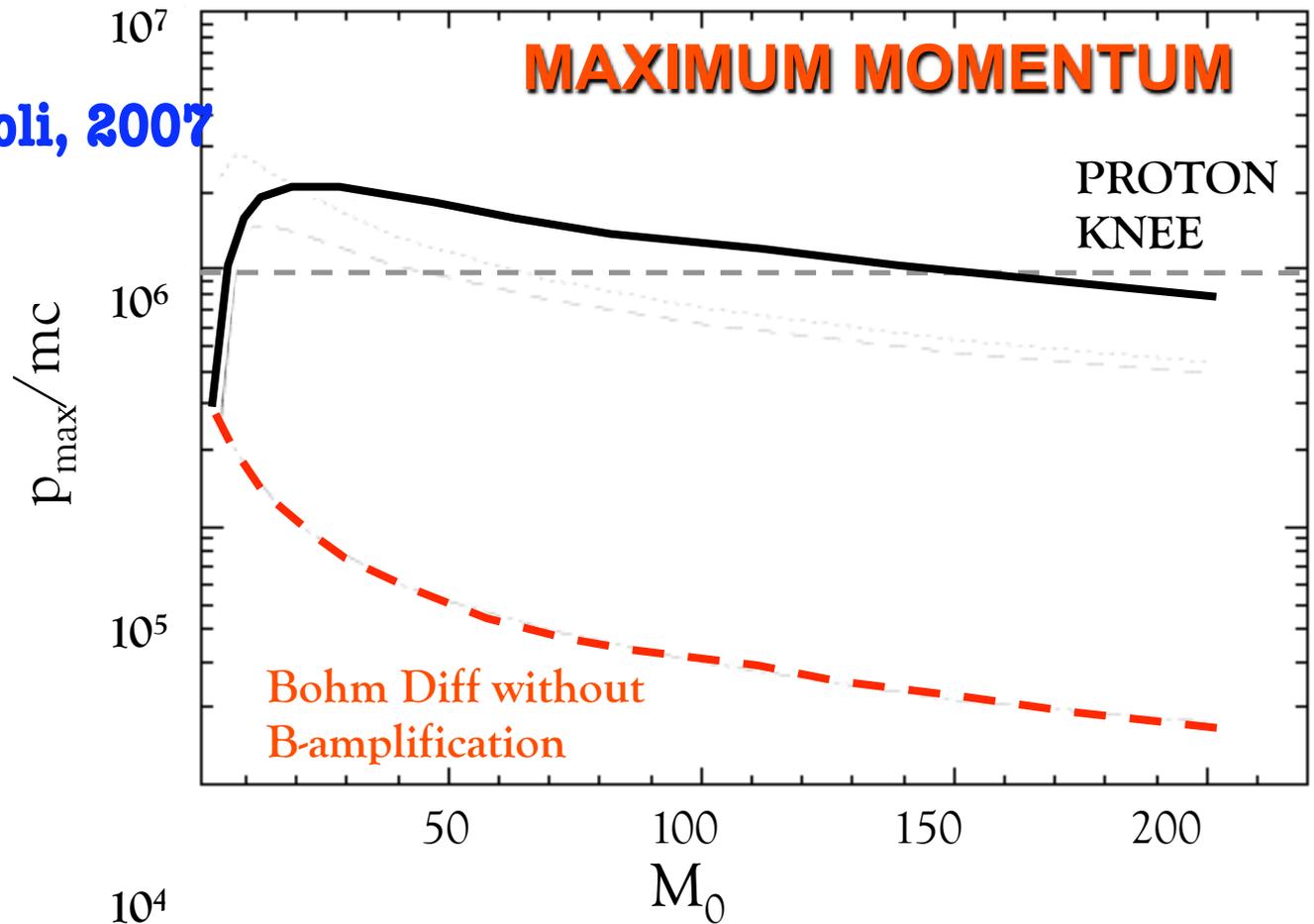
$$\frac{dP_W}{dt} = \Gamma_W \frac{\delta B^2}{4\pi v_A}$$

$$\Gamma_W = \frac{n_{CR}}{n} \left( \frac{v_S - v_A}{v_A} \right) \Omega_{cyc}$$

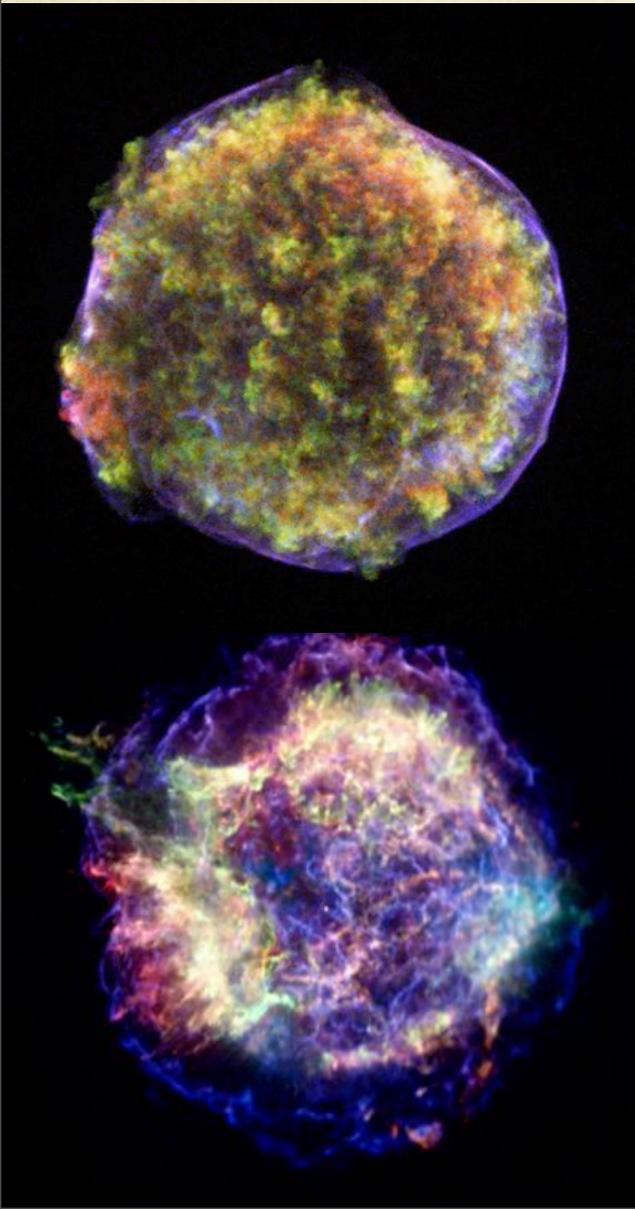
**GROWTH RATE**

# WHY IS IT INTERESTING: I. Reaching the knee?

PB, Amato & Caprioli, 2007  
Amato & PB, 2006



# WHY IS IT INTERESTING: II. Large $B$ observed?



**TYPICAL THICKNESS OF FILAMENTS:  
 $10^{-2}$  -  $10^{-3}$  pc**

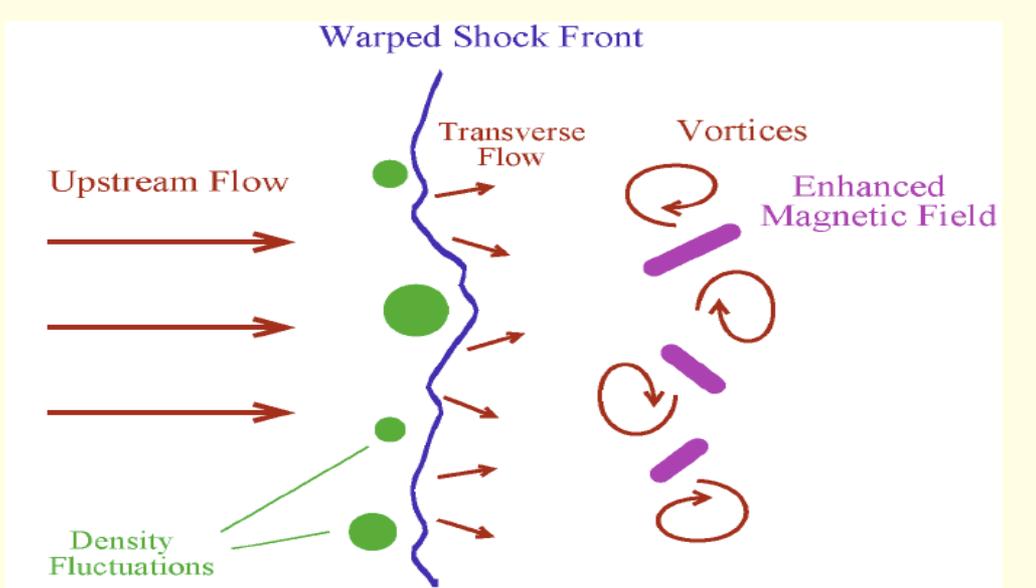
**The synchrotron limited thickness is:**

$$\Delta x = \sqrt{4D(E)\tau_{syn}(E)} \approx 4 pc B_{\mu}^{-3/2}$$



$$B \approx 100 \mu\text{Gauss}$$

# CR INDUCED OR PLASMA INDUCED?



**Giacalone & Jokipii 2007**

**CORRUGATIONS ON THE SHOCK SURFACE, DUE TO DENSITY FLUCTUATIONS MAY INDUCE FLUID INSTABILITIES IN THE DOWNSTREAM PLASMA**

**CR INDUCED**

**PLASMA INDUCED**

**UPSTREAM  
EFFECTIVE ACCELERATION**

**DOWNSTREAM  
EFFECTIVE ACC. ONLY IF QUASI  
PERPENDICULAR SHOCK**

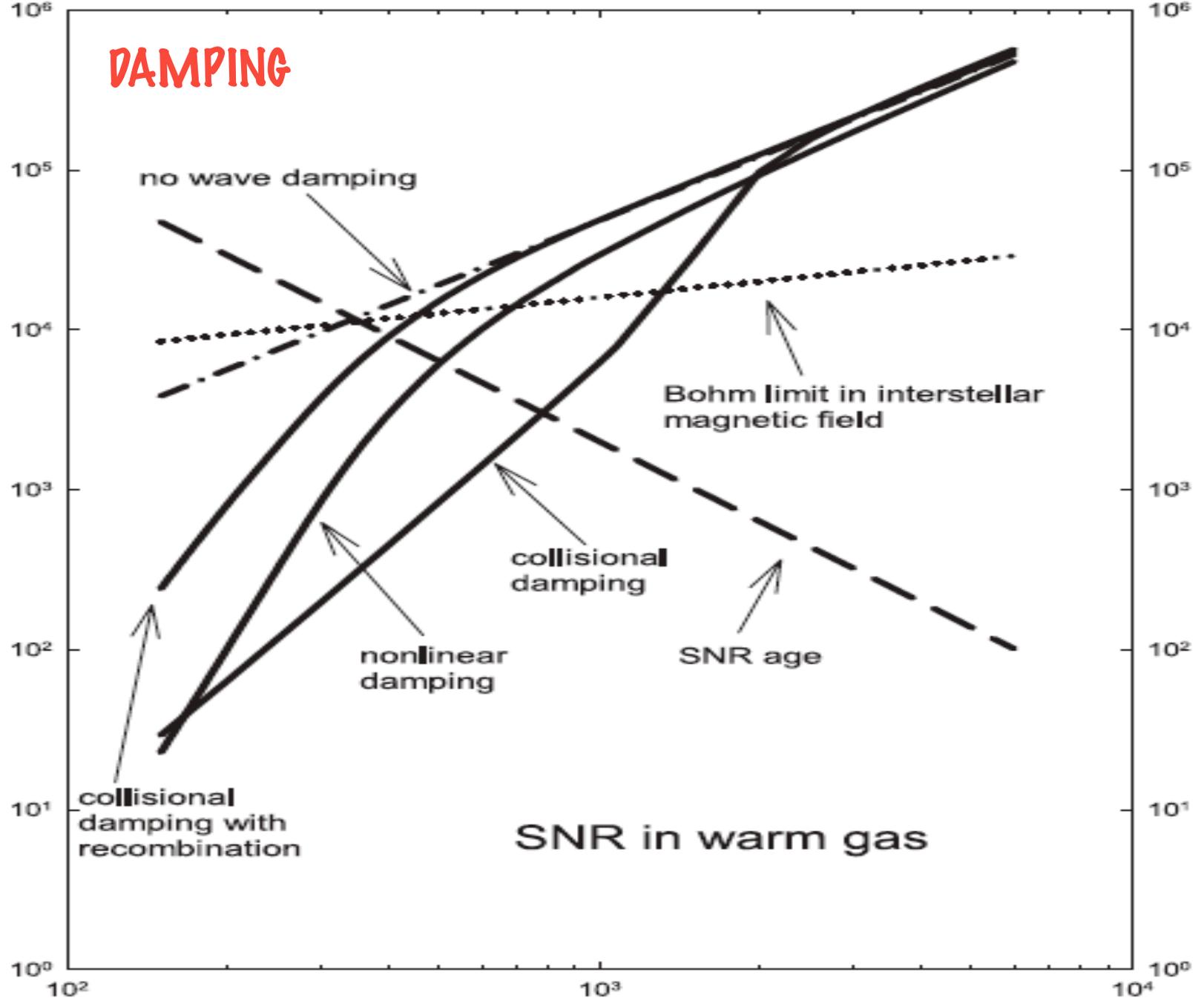
**B ADVECTED**

**B AMPLIFIED @ L/U**

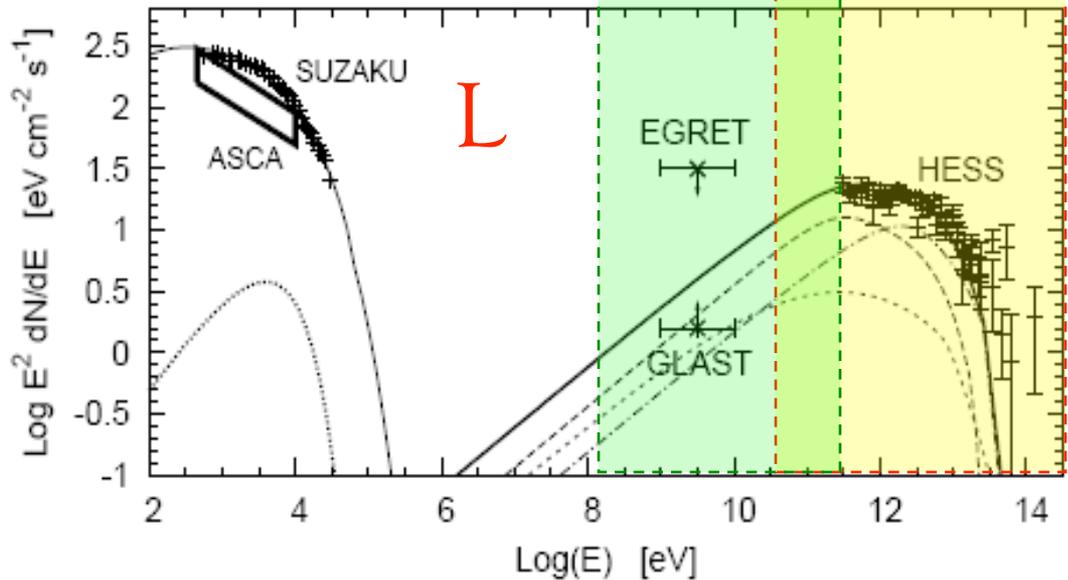
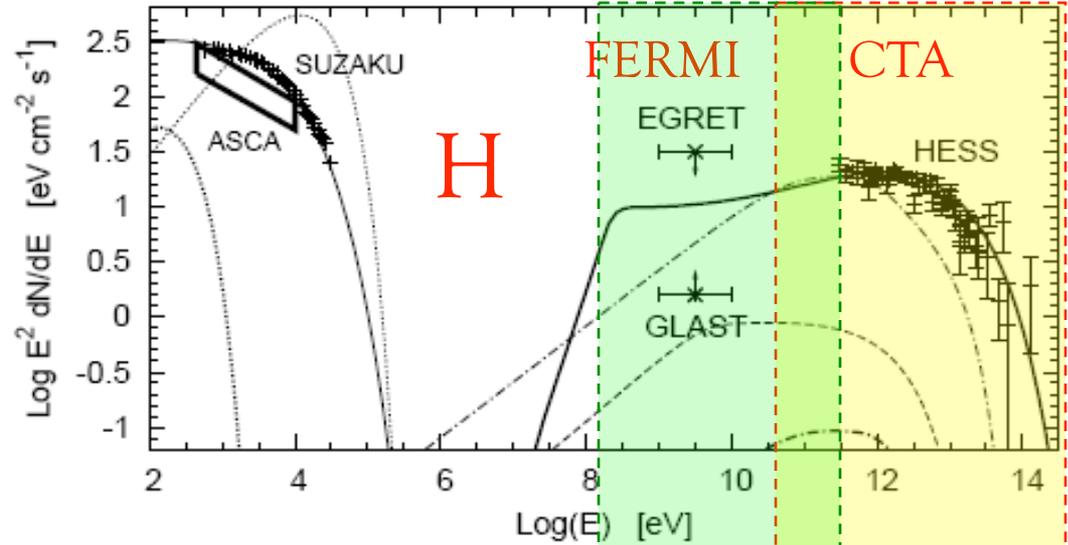
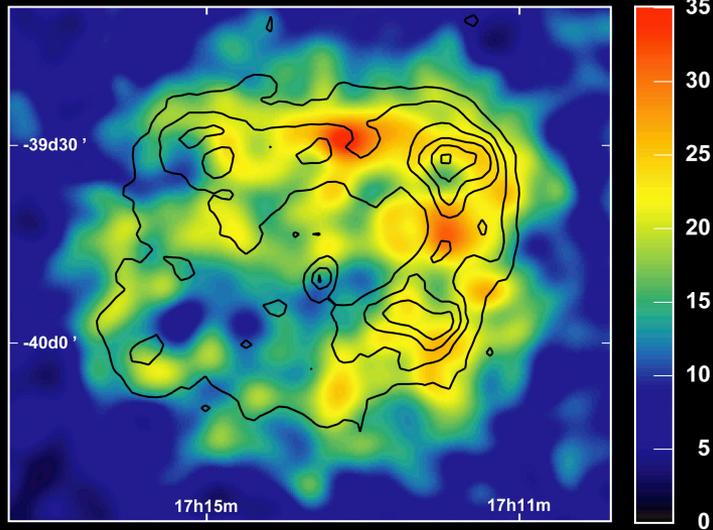
# DYNAMICAL ROLE OF B

1. LARGE B INCREASE THE MAX MOMENTUM
2. HIGH MAX MOMENTUM MODIFY THE SHOCK
3. SHOCK MODIFICATION  $\rightarrow$  CONCAVE SPECTRA
4. LARGE B  $\rightarrow$  REDUCE MODIFICATION  $\rightarrow$  LESS CONCAVE SPECTRA ( $R_{tot} \sim 10$ )

# DAMPING



# PHENOMENOLOGY OF INDIVIDUAL SNR



Aharonian et al. 2007

Morlino, Amato & PB 2009

# CRs versus ACCELERATED PARTICLES

## WHAT IS THE SPECTRUM OF CR AT EARTH?

PARTICLES ACCELERATED AT SHOCKS ARE ADVECTED TOWARDS DOWNSTREAM AND ESCAPE MUCH LATER ... **THEY CANNOT CONTRIBUTE TO THE KNEE**

SOME PARTICLES WITH  $E \sim E_{\text{MAX}}$  CAN ESCAPE TOWARDS UPSTREAM, NAMELY TOWARDS US...

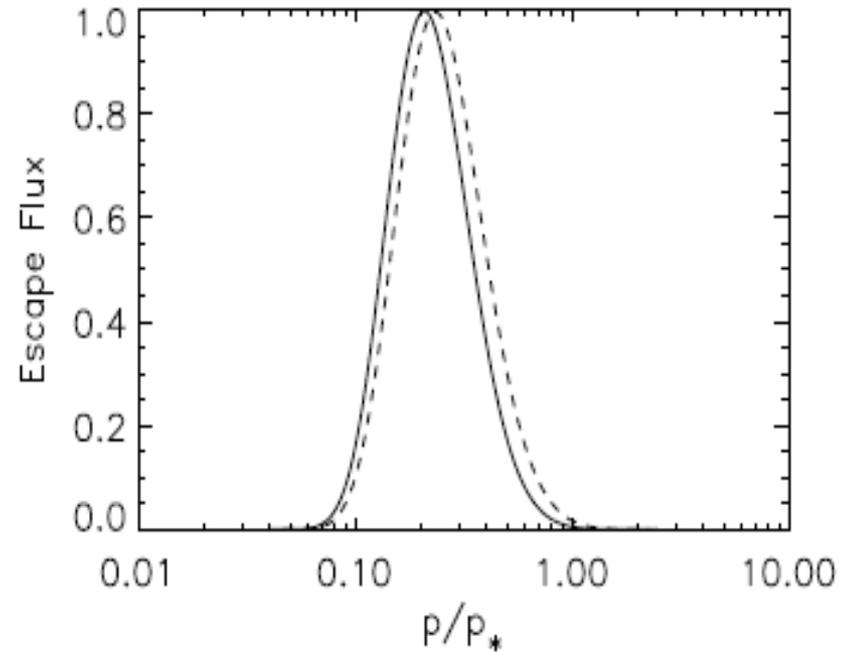
THIS PHENOMENON OF ESCAPE TOWARDS UPSTREAM BECOMES RELEVANT ONLY FOR CR MODIFIED SHOCKS

# ESCAPE FLUX WITH TIME

$$E_{MAX}(t) \propto \xi_c(t) t^{-1/2}$$

$$R_{sh}(t) = 2.7 \times 10^{19} \text{cm} \left( \frac{E_{51}}{n_1} \right)^{1/5} t_{kyr}^{2/5}$$

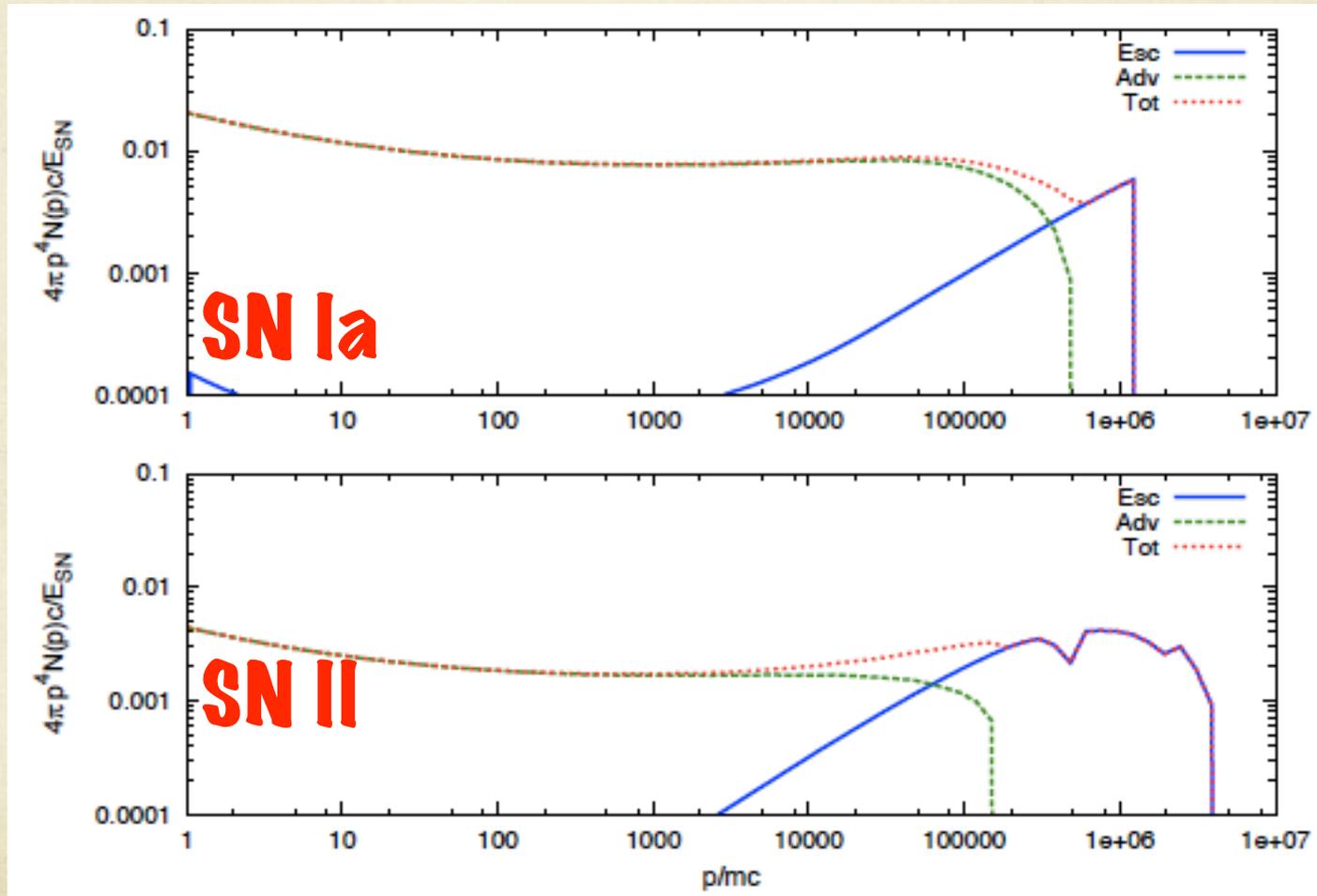
$$V_{sh}(t) = 4.7 \times 10^8 \text{cm/s} \left( \frac{E_{51}}{n_1} \right)^{1/5} t_{kyr}^{-3/5}$$



$$EQ(E)dE \approx F_{esc}(t) \frac{1}{2} \rho V_s^3 4\pi R_{sh}^2 \frac{dE_{max}}{dt} dE \propto t^{1/2} dE \propto E^{-1} dE$$

**E<sup>-2</sup> WITH NO CONNECTION WITH THE INTRINSIC**

# PROTON SPECTRUM AT EARTH



**CONNECTION WITH THE**

## PRIMARY PROTONS:

$$n_{CR}(E) = N_{CR}(E) R \tau_{esc}(E) \propto E^{-\gamma} E^{-\delta}$$

## PRIMARY ELECTRONS:

$$n_e(E) = N_e(E) R \text{Min}[\tau_{esc}(E), \tau_{loss}(E)] \propto E^{-\gamma_e} E^{-\beta}$$

**b = d for diffusion**

**b = 1 for losses**

## SECONDARY POSITRONS INJECTION:

$$q_+(E') dE' = n_{CR}(E) dE n_H \sigma_{pp} c \propto E^{-\gamma-\delta}$$

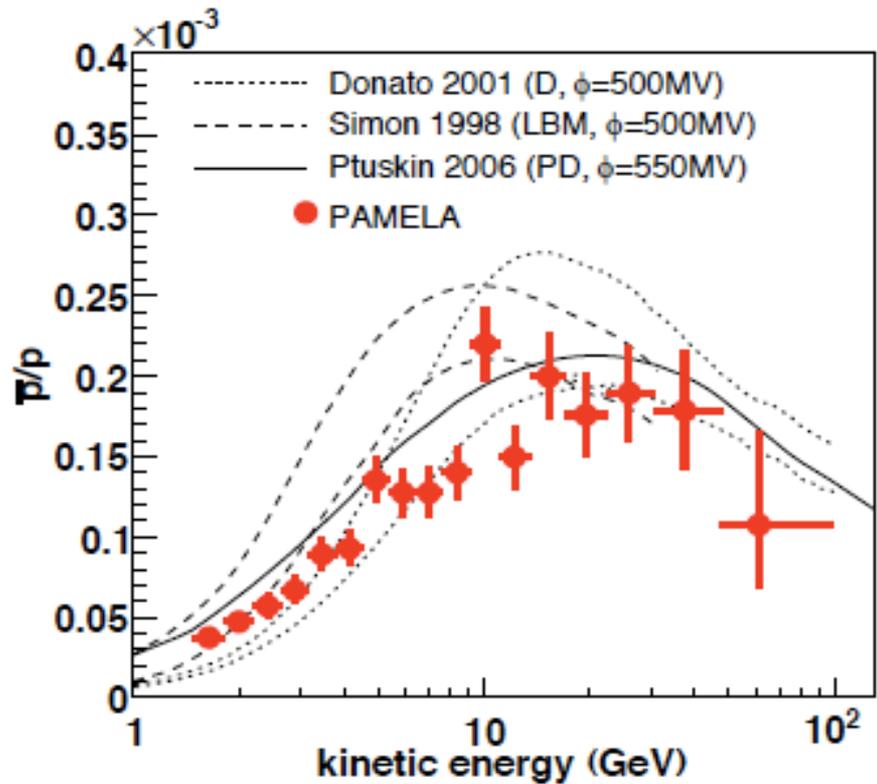
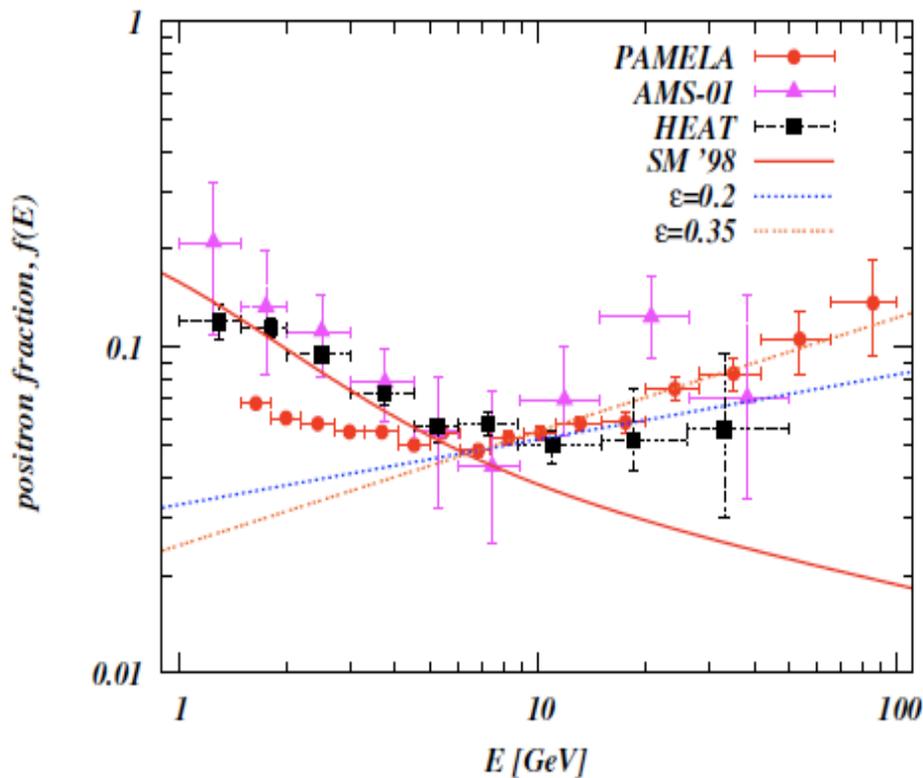
## SECONDARY POSITRONS EQUILIBRIUM:

$$n_+(E) = q_+(E) \text{Min}[\tau_{esc}(E), \tau_{loss}(E)] \propto E^{-\gamma-\delta-\beta}$$

**RATIO:**  $\frac{n_+}{n_e} \propto E^{-(\gamma-\gamma_e)-\delta}$

**MUST DECREASE**

# PAMELA $e^+$ and Anti-p



From Serpico 2009

Adriani et al. 2008

# WHAT ARE WE SEEING?

1. **POSITRONS ARE LOWER THAN DETECTED BEFORE AT LOW ENERGIES**
2. **POSITRONS ARE IN EXCESS OF PREDICTIONS AT  $E > 10$  GeV**
3. **THE POSITRON FRACTION RISES WITH ENERGY**
4. **THE ANTIPROTONS ARE "WELL" BEHAVED**

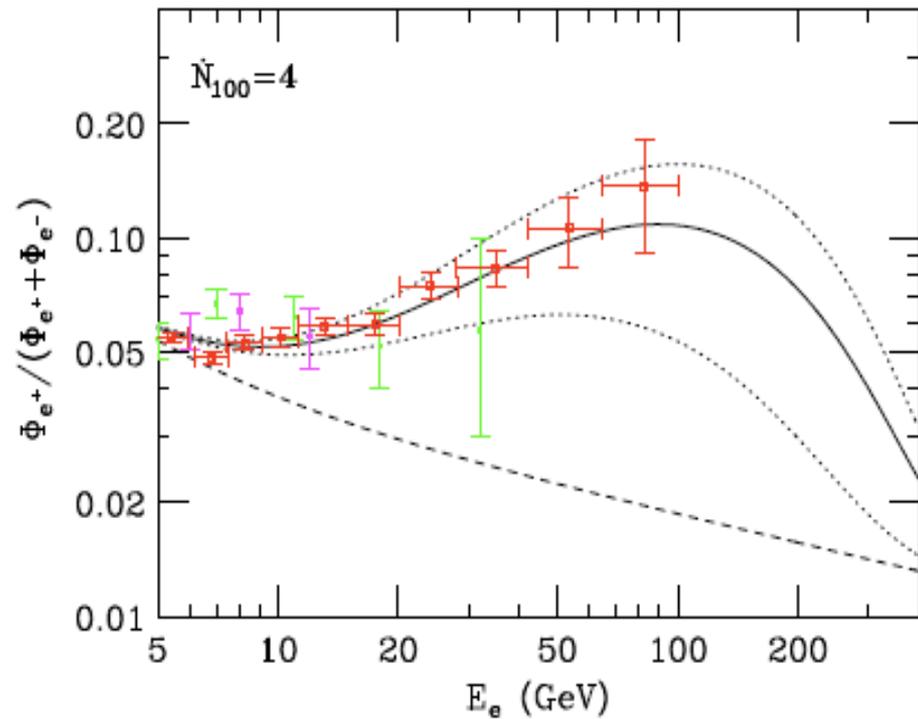
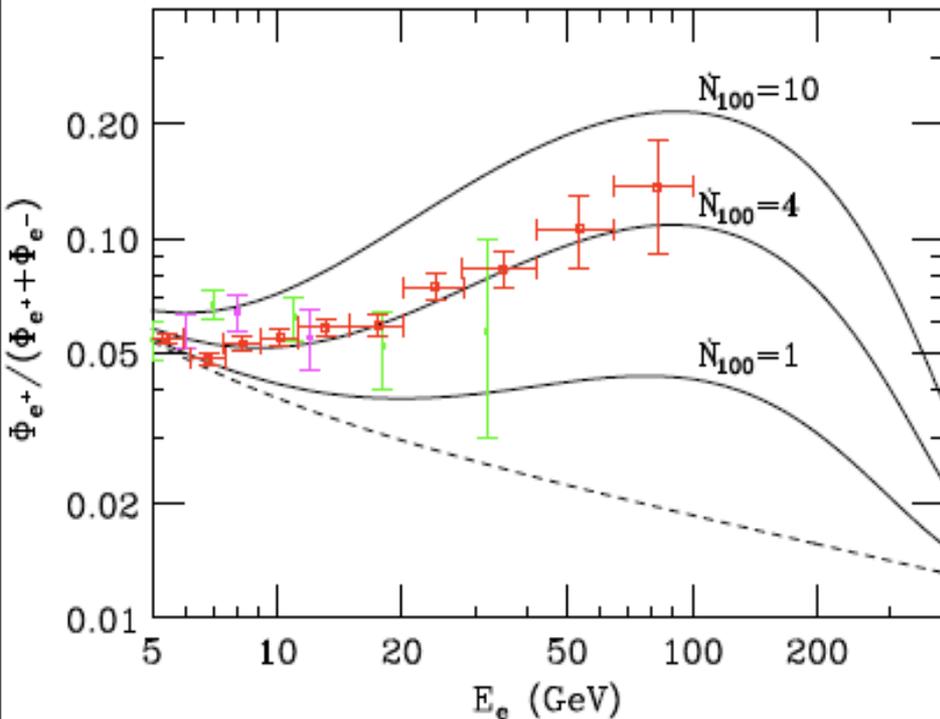


**LOW ENERGY BEHAVIOUR POSSIBLY DUE TO INVERSION OF POLARITY OF THE SOLAR MAGNETIC FIELD**

**THE EXCESS IS COMPATIBLE WITH PREVIOUS MEASUREMENTS**

**WHATEVER IT IS, IT CANNOT VIOLATE THE BOUND FROM ANTIPROTONS**

# PULSARS: DIFFUSE

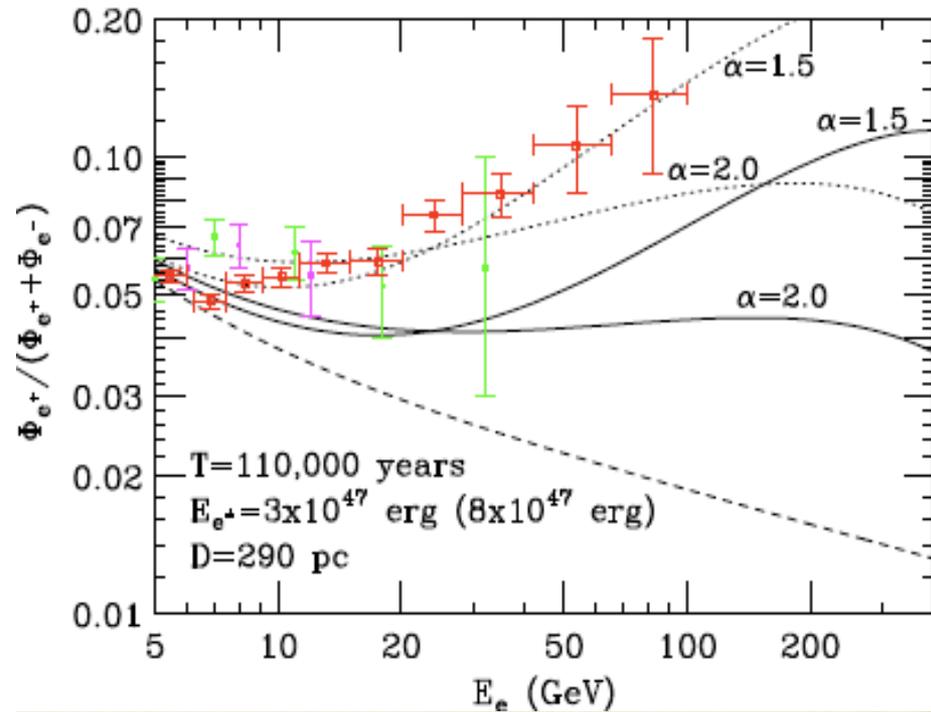
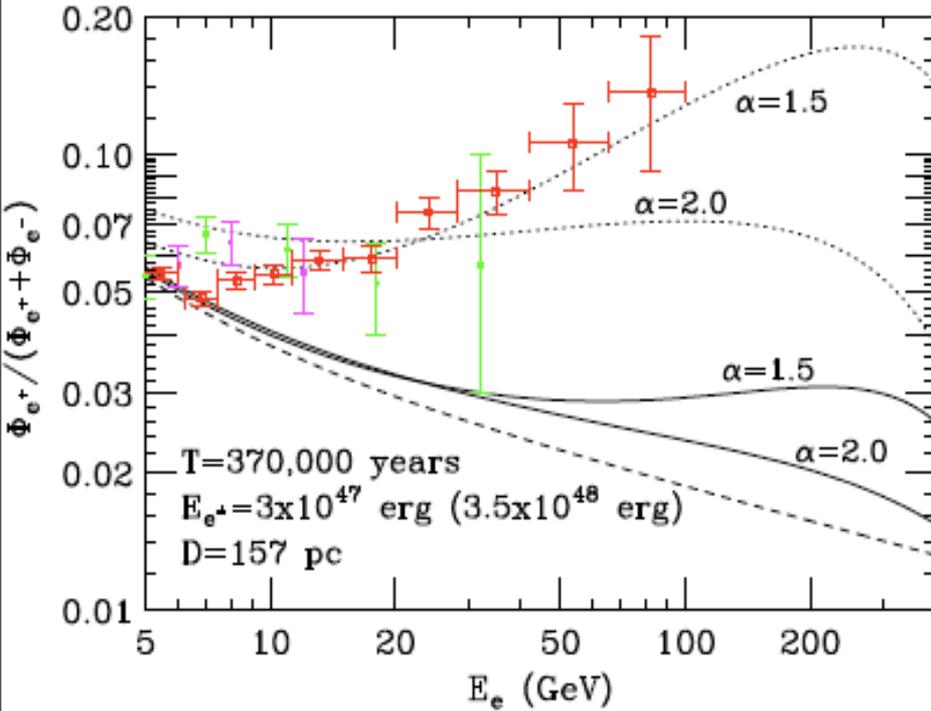


Hooper, Blasi, Serpico 2009

$$\frac{dN_e}{dE_e} \approx 8.6 \times 10^{38} \dot{N}_{100} (E_e/\text{GeV})^{-1.6} \exp(-E_e/80 \text{ GeV}) \text{ GeV}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

**NO ANTIPROTONS**

# ISOLATED PULSARS

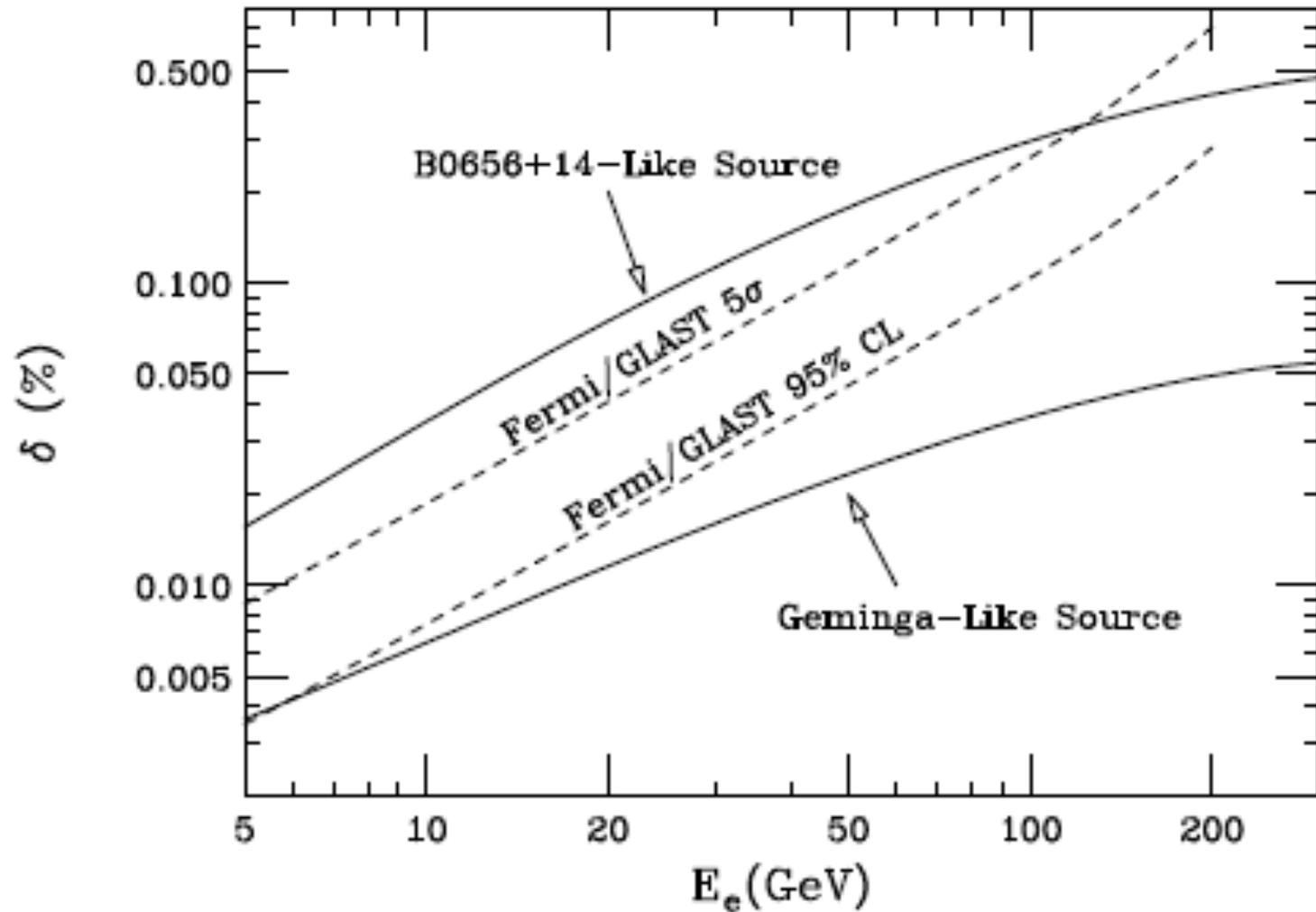


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**GEMINGA**

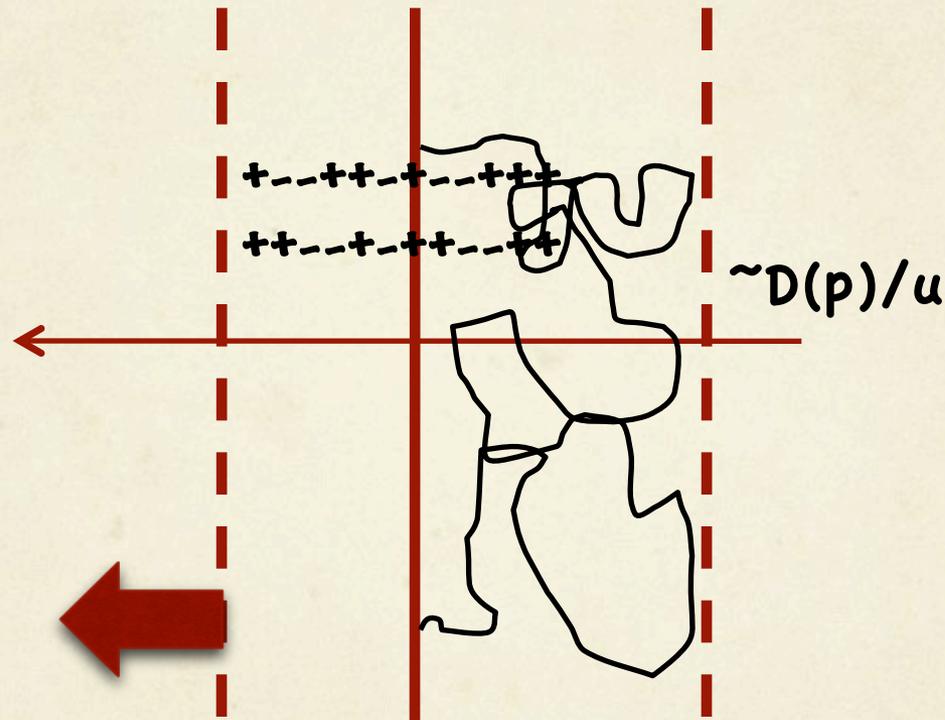
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# ANISOTROPY



# CHARGED SECONDARY PARTICLES IN THE SOURCES

PB 2009



Advection  
+ Diffusion

# CHARGED SECONDARY PARTICLES

THE EQUATION DESCRIBING ANY CHARGED PARTICLE IN THE SHOCK REGION IS:

$$u \frac{\partial f_{\pm}}{\partial x} = D(p) \frac{\partial^2 f_{\pm}}{\partial x^2} + \frac{1}{3} \frac{du}{dx} p \frac{\partial f_{\pm}}{\partial p} + Q_{\pm}(x, p)$$

ADVECTION

DIFFUSION

ENERGY GAIN

INJECTION

$$Q_{\pm}(x, E) = \int dE' N_{CR}(E', x) \frac{d\sigma(E', E)}{dE'} n_{gas}(x) c$$

ONE NEEDS TO SOLVE THE TRANSPORT EQUATION BOTH FOR ACCELERATED CR AND SECONDARY PAIRS

## IN THE ABSENCE OF NON LINEAR EFFECTS

$$N_{CR}(p, x) = \begin{cases} N_0(p) \exp[\gamma x / D(p)] & \text{UPSTREAM } (x < 0) \\ N_0(p) & \text{DOWNSTREAM } (x > 0) \end{cases}$$

$$N_0(p) = A p^{-\gamma}$$

$$\gamma = \frac{3r}{r-1}$$

**THE SLOPE DEPENDS ONLY ON THE COMPRESSION FACTOR  $r$  AT THE SHOCK**

$$u \frac{\partial f_{\pm}}{\partial x} = D(p) \frac{\partial^2 f_{\pm}}{\partial x^2} + \frac{1}{3} \frac{du}{dx} p \frac{\partial f_{\pm}}{\partial p} + Q_{\pm}(x, p)$$

**INTEGRATION OVER THE UPSTREAM REGION GIVES**

$$D(p) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_1 = u_1 f_0 - \int_{-\infty}^0 dx Q_1(x, p) \equiv u_1 f_0 - \mathfrak{S}_1(p)$$

**INTEGRATION DOWNSTREAM:**

$$D(p) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \Big|_2 = D_2(p) \frac{Q_2}{u_2}$$

**BOUNDARY CONDITION AT THE SHOCK**

$$p \frac{\partial f_{\pm,0}}{\partial p} = -\gamma f_{\pm,0} + \gamma \frac{D_1(p)}{u_1^2} \left( \frac{1}{\xi} + r^2 \right) \quad \xi \approx 0.05$$

# SOLUTION AT THE SHOCK

$$f_{\pm,0}(p) = \gamma \left( \frac{1}{\xi} + r^2 \right) \int_0^p \frac{dp'}{p'} \left( \frac{p'}{p} \right)^\gamma \frac{D_1(p')}{u_1^2} Q_1(p')$$

1. In terms of momentum dependence this scales as  $D(p)Q(p) \sim p^{-g+1}$
1. The coefficient in front expresses the re-energization of the secondary particles by the shock (**CONSERVES PARTICLE NUMBER BUT INCREASES THE En/Part**)
3. Of course the final f is cut off at the same

# SOLUTION AT $x$

AT A GENERIC LOCATION  $x$  DOWNSTREAM OF THE SHOCK, THE SOLUTION CAN ONLY BE:

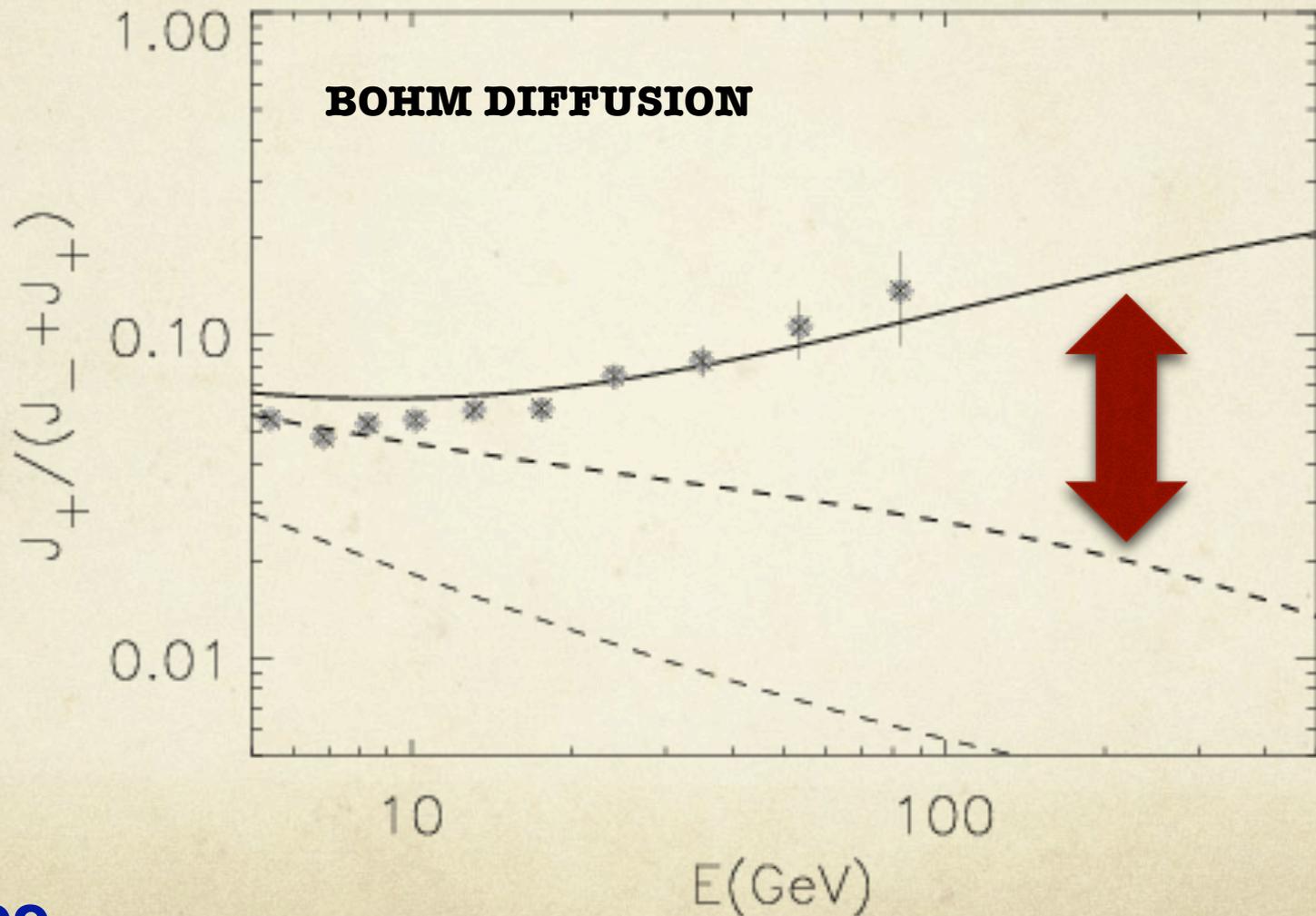
$$f_{\pm}(x, p) = f_{\pm,0}(p) + \frac{Q_2}{u_2} x \quad 0 \leq x \leq u_2 \tau_{SN}$$

**ACCELERATION  
TERM**



**STANDARD TERM, THE  
SAME AS FOR GAMMAS**

# THE POSITRON "EXCESS"



# THE PARAMETERS

$$D_B(E) = K_B \frac{1}{3} r_L(E) c = 3.3 \times 10^{22} K_B B_\mu^{-1} E_{GeV} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

## TYPICAL VALUES REQUIRED ARE

$$K_B \approx 10 - 20 \quad B_\mu \approx 1 \quad u_1 \approx 500 - 1000 \text{ km/s} \quad n \approx 1 - 3 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

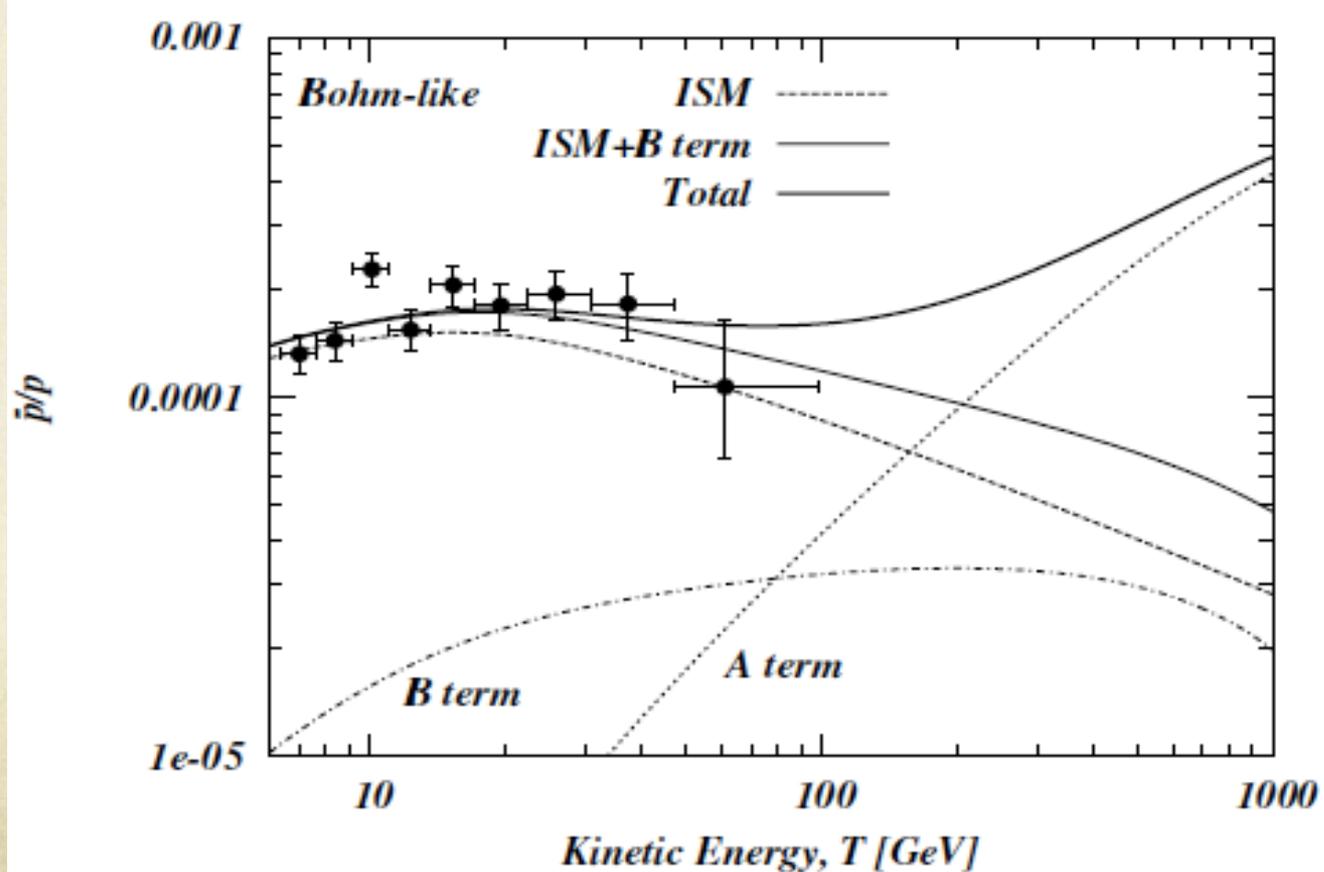
**THESE ARE TYPICAL FOR AN OLD SN-I OR A SN-II  
OUTSIDE THE BUBBLE CREATED BY THE WIND OF  
THE PRE-SN STAR**

**THE BULK OF CR ARE ACCELERATED DURING THIS PHASE  
WHICH IS THE ONE THAT LASTS THE MOST...**

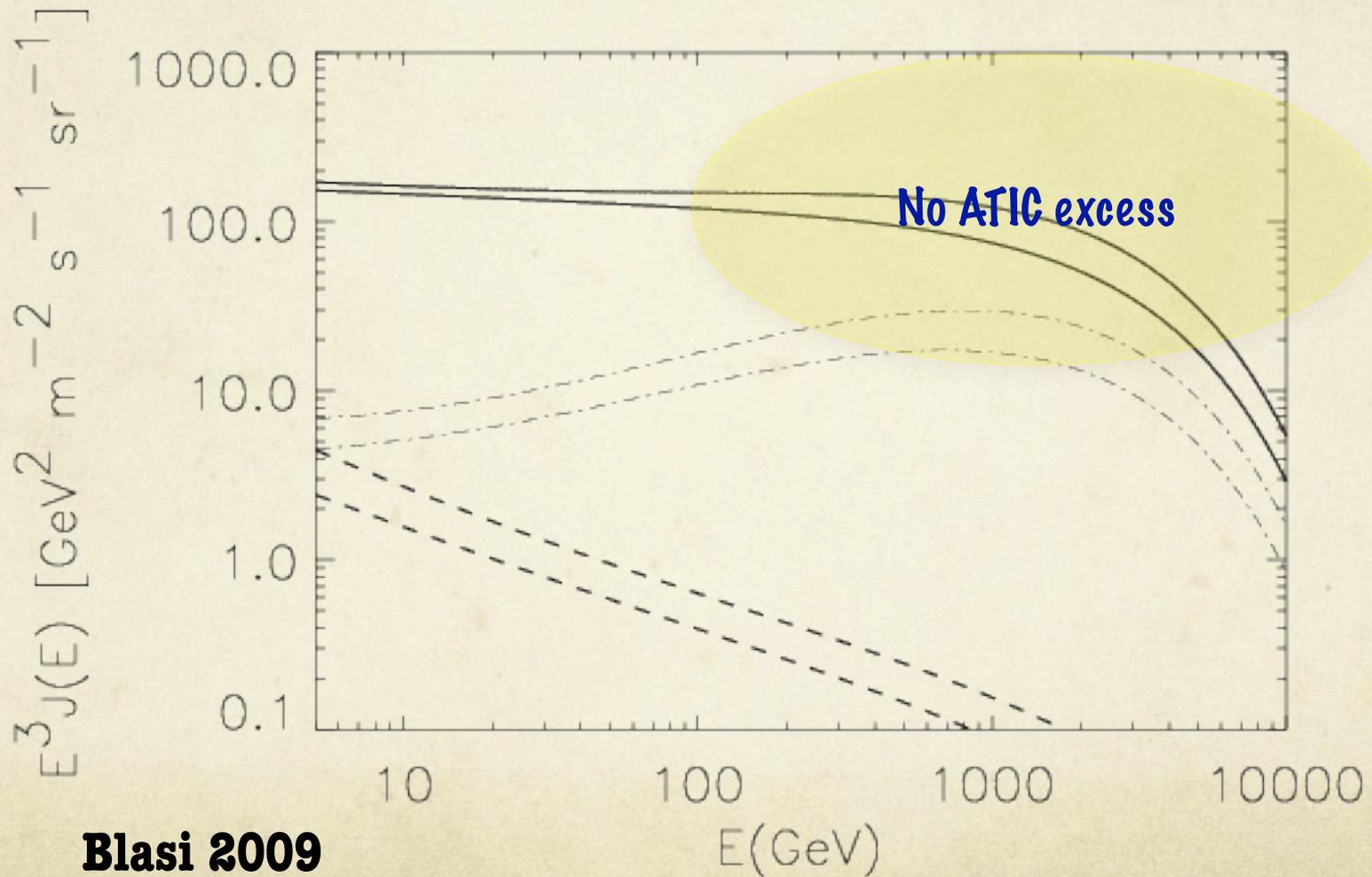
# ANTIPROTONS

PB & Serpico (2009)

SIMPLER CALCULATIONS BECAUSE NO ENERGY LOSSES:



# ELECTRONS ( $e^-$ and $e^+$ )



Blasi 2009

# NOTES AND DISCUSSION

**MECHANISM FOR RISING POSITRON FRACTION**

**EVEN THE CONSTANT TERM CAN BE IMPORTANT  
(THOUGH NOT RISING BUT FLAT)**

**SOME SNR CAN BE CLOSE TO VERY DENSE CLOUDS  
WHICH ADDS TO THEIR ROLE AS SOURCES OF SEC'S**

**BUT BIG UNCERTAINTY DUE TO THE**

- 1) RELATIVE ROLE OF ADVECTED AND ESCAPING**
- 2) TEMPORAL EVOLUTION**

**AT PRESENT THESE PROBLEMS ARE NOT SOLVED  
EVEN FOR STANDARD CR**

# **IMPLICATIONS FOR DARK MATTER DETECTION**

**Both pulsars and CR-induced effects lead to rather well justified predictions, despite astrophysical uncertainties**

**Until we understand these effects no claim for dark matter Discovery may be possible, within the realm of Science at least**

**Pulsars by themselves may contribute appreciably to the positron Flux (without providing antiprotons)**

**SNRs can explain the excess (with a related antiproton signal) and even without the rising part they would spoil the dark matter signal**