

CR PROPAGATION IN THE GALAXY: INSIGHTS FROM TeV HALOS & DIFFUSE γ -RAY EMISSION

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1 – TeV halos as a probe of CR propagation in the ISM

**Giacinti et al., A&A 636, A113 (2020),
Lopez-Coto & Giacinti, MNRAS 479, 4526 (2018)**

HAWC observ. of Geminga & Monogem



The Moon (same scale)

- Emission: inverse Compton from ~ 100 TeV electrons.
- γ -ray range: 8 – 40 TeV.

Geminga

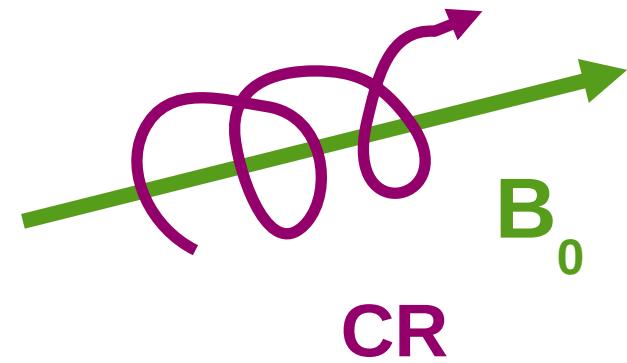
'HALOS': e^- E density \ll E density ISM

PSR B0656+14

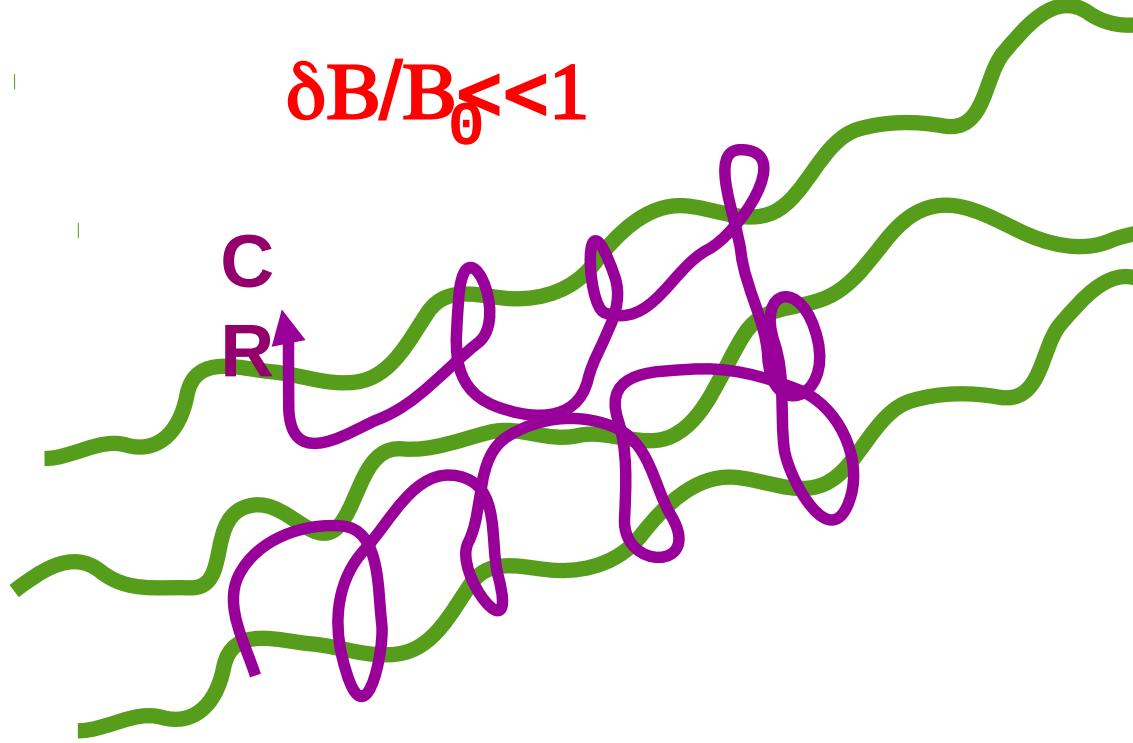


CR diffusion

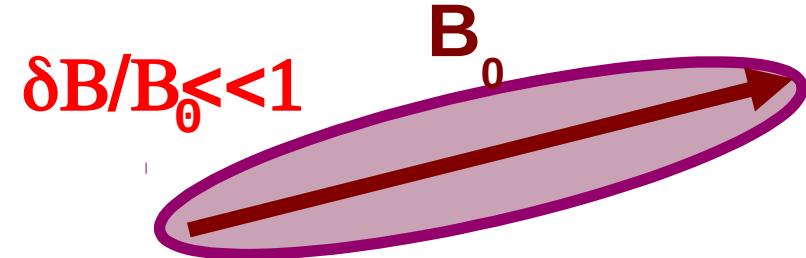
$$\delta B = 0$$



$$\delta B/B_0 < 1$$

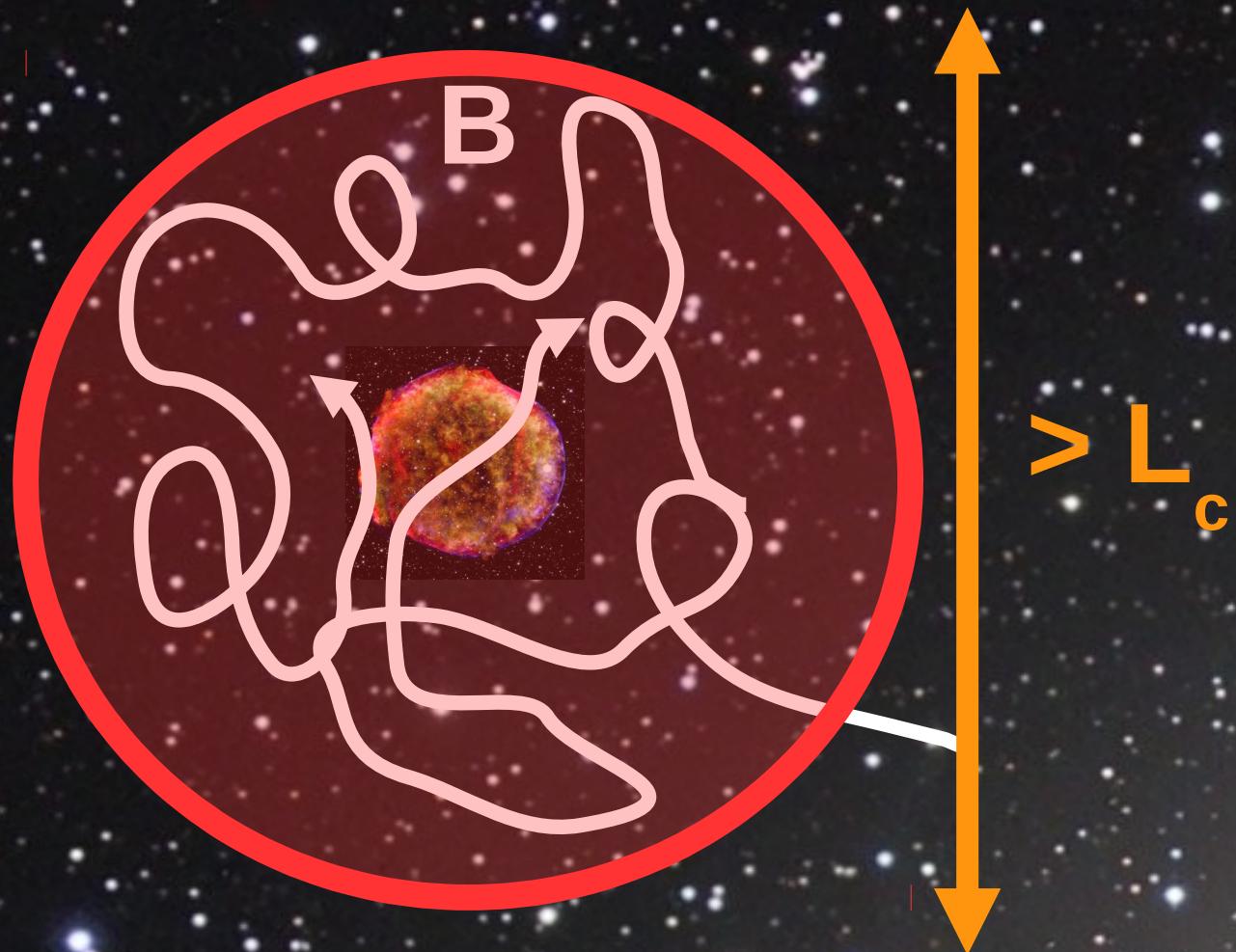


Increasing turbulence



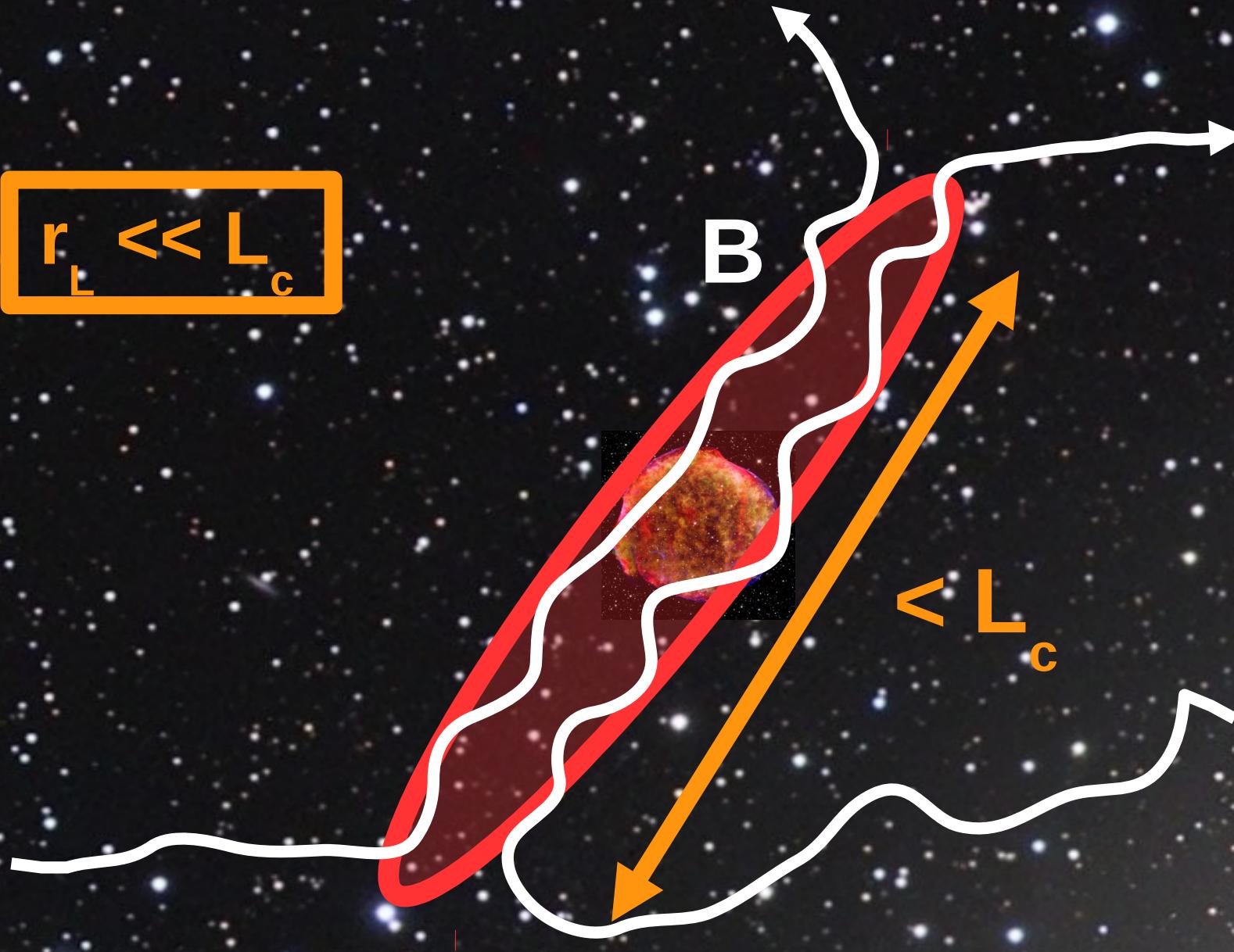
$$\delta B/B_0 \gg 1$$

But is CR diffusion (ever) isotropic ?



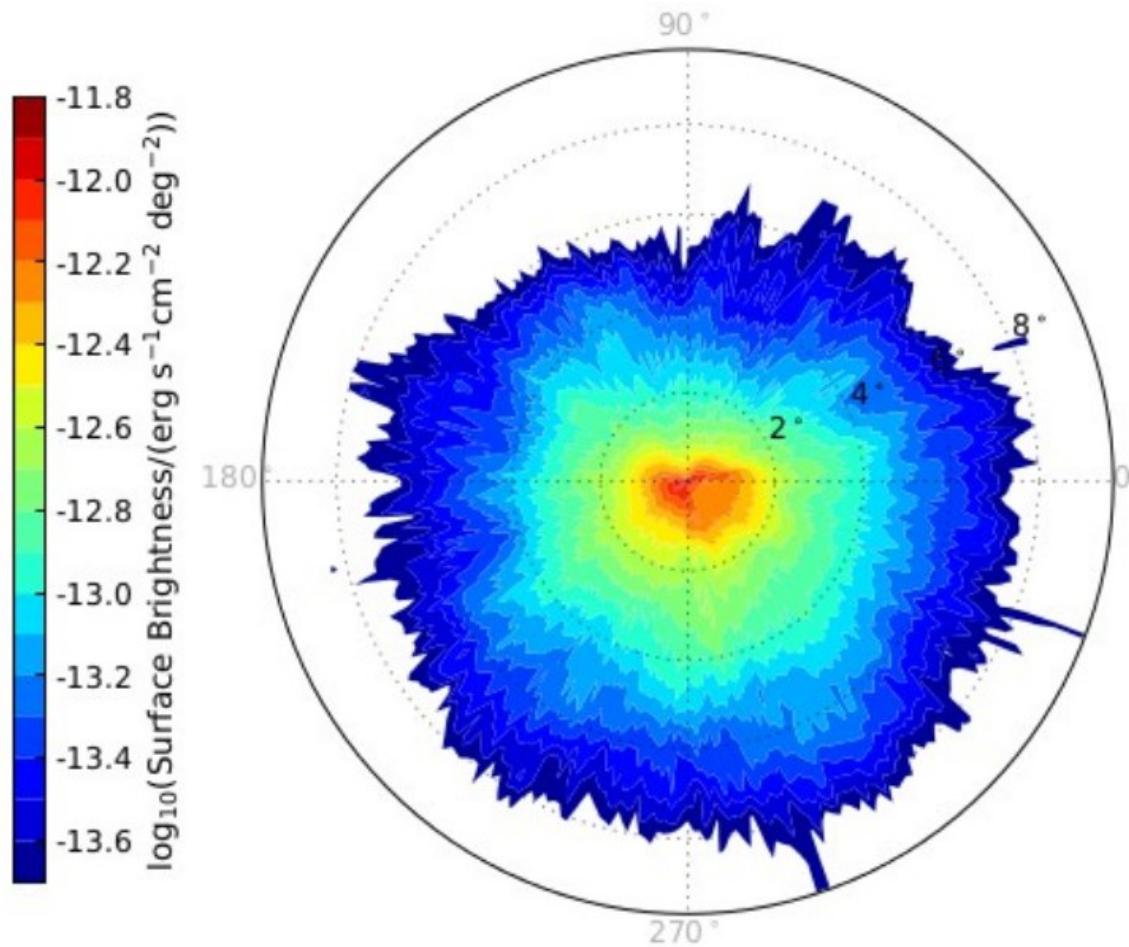
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$$r_L \ll L_c$$



Predicted γ -ray surface brightness

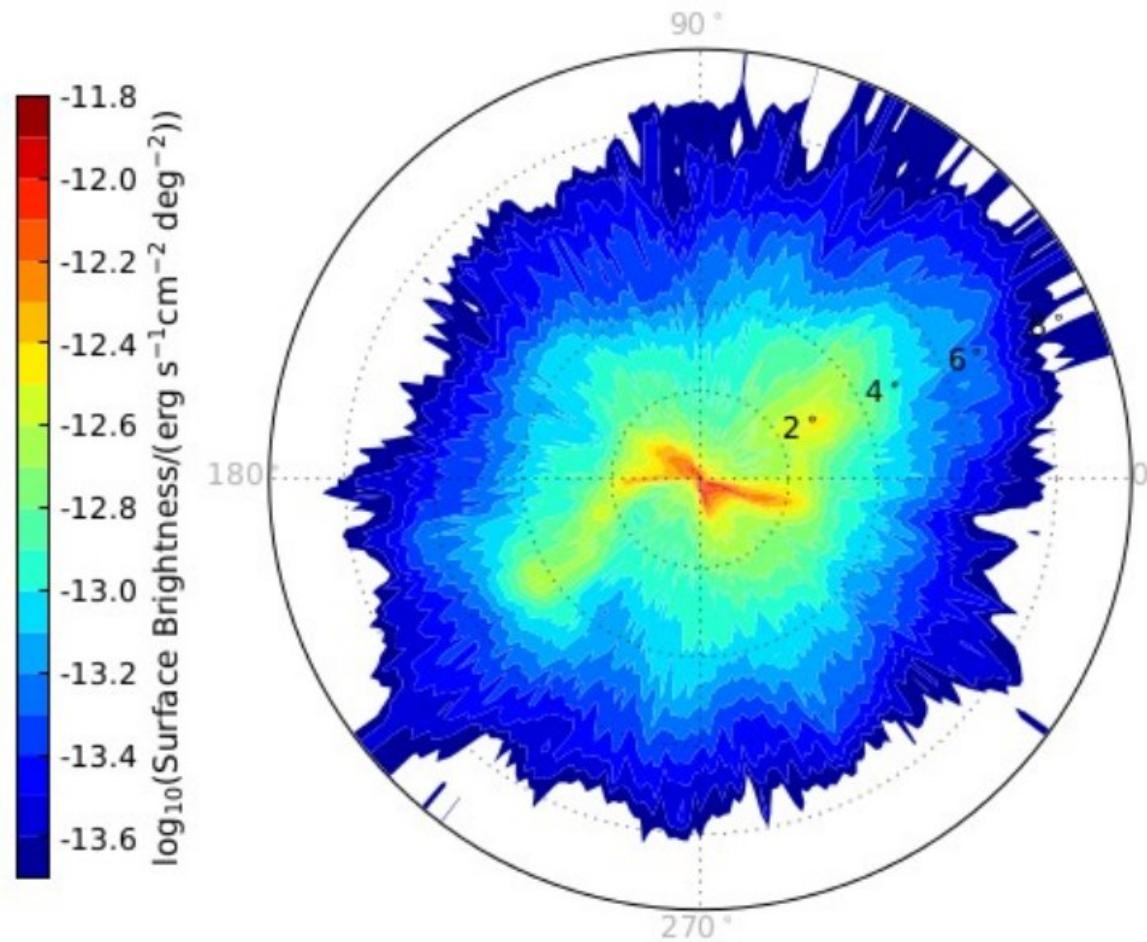
Kolmogorov, $B_{\text{rms}} = 3 \mu\text{G}$, $L_c = 5 \text{ pc}$:



OK

Predicted γ -ray surface brightness

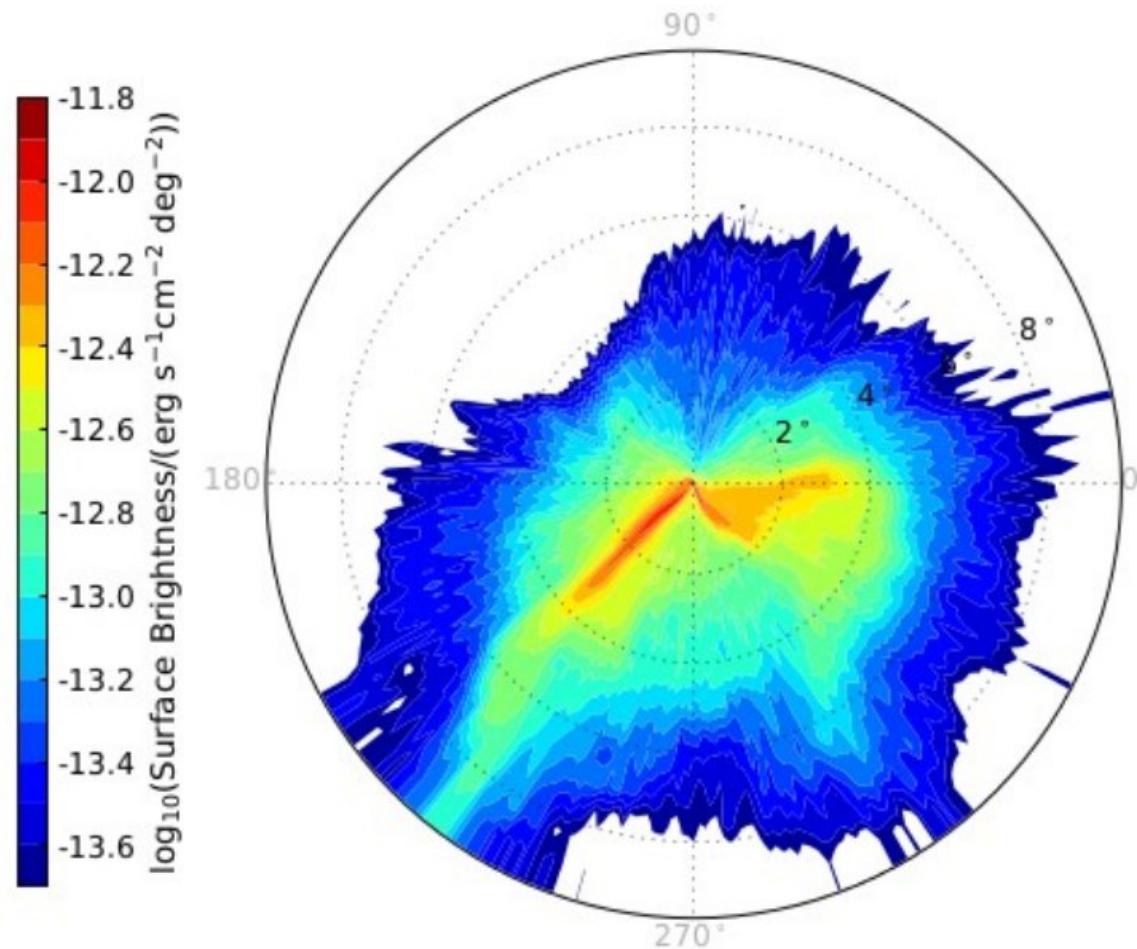
Kolmogorov, $B_{\text{rms}} = 3 \mu\text{G}$, $L_c = 10 \text{ pc}$:



ALMOST INCOMPATIBLE WITH HAWC MEASUREMENTS

Predicted γ -ray surface brightness

Kolmogorov, $B_{\text{rms}} = 3 \mu\text{G}$, $L_c = 40 \text{ pc}$:



INCOMPATIBLE WITH HAWC MEASUREMENTS

Large coherence lengths ($> 10 \text{ pc}$) ruled out (Too asymmetric)

TeV Halos: "Mirage" sources and large offsets



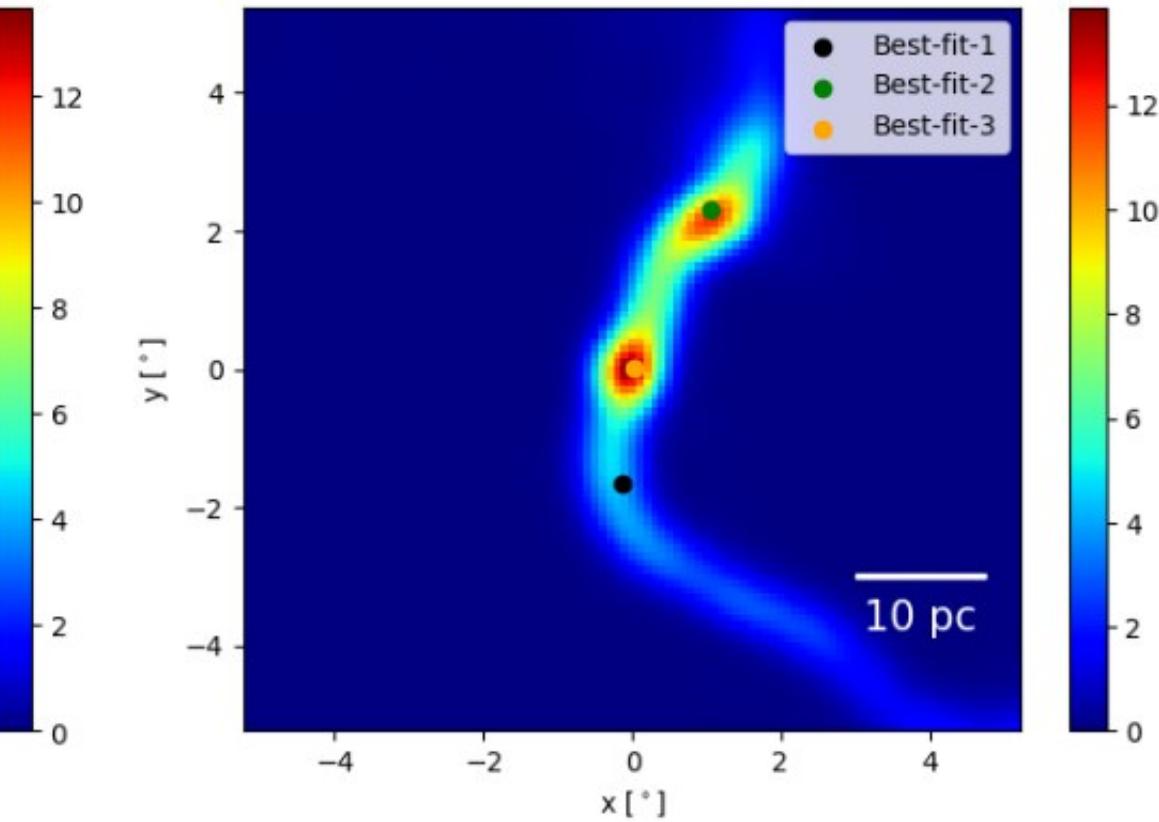
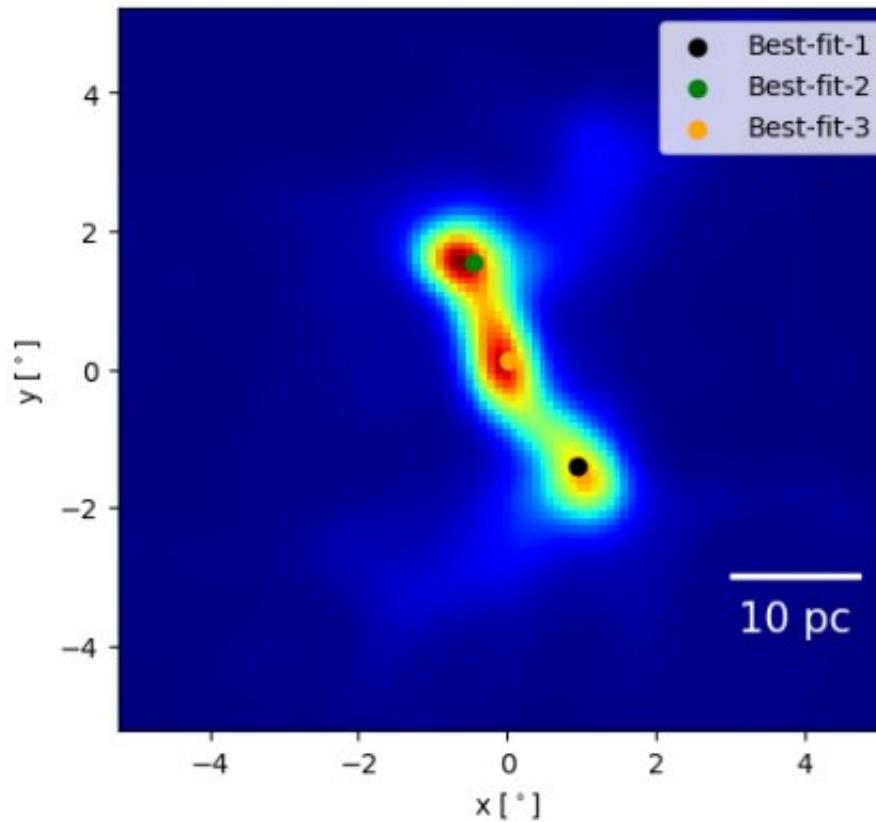
Works by Yiwei Bao

Bao, Giacinti, Liu, Zhang & Chen, arXiv:2407.02478 (Submitted)

Bao, Liu, Giacinti, Zhang & Chen, arXiv:2407.02829 (Submitted)

Appearance of additional (“mirage”) sources:

They may appear around astrophysical sources.

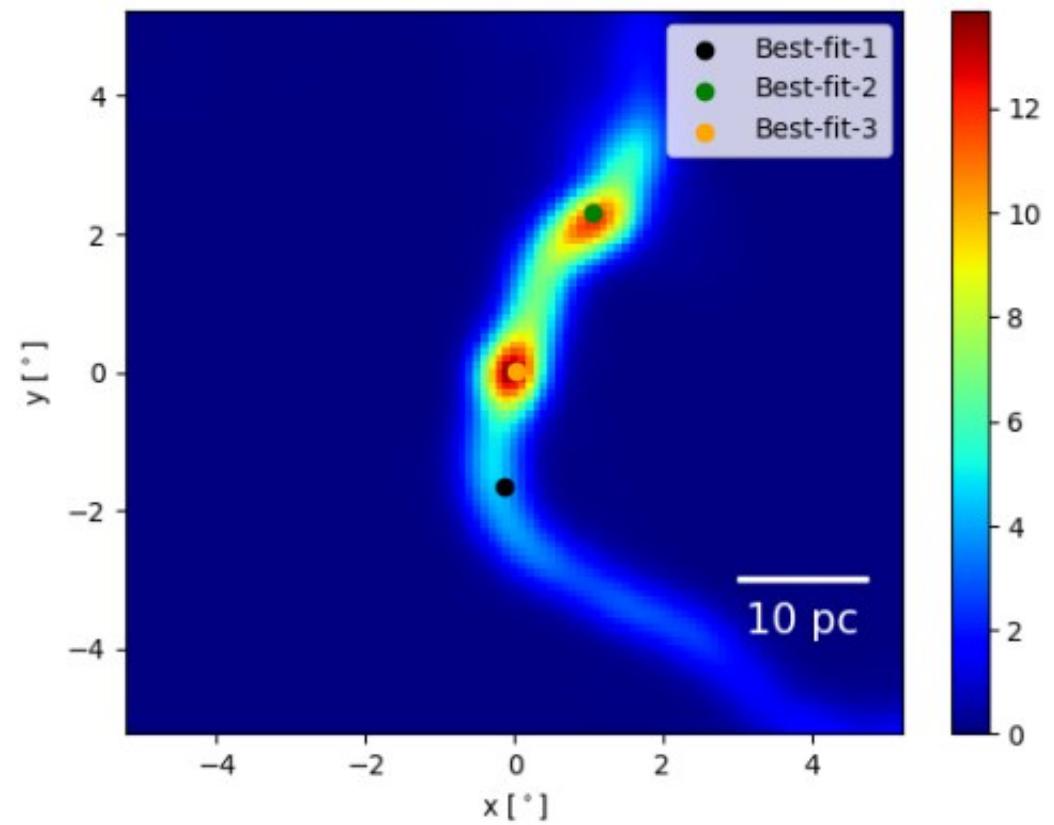


$L_c = 40\text{pc}$; $B_{\text{turb}} = 3 \mu\text{G}$; $B_{\text{reg}} = 0 \mu\text{G}$; Kolmogorov turbulence ; (8192 particles)

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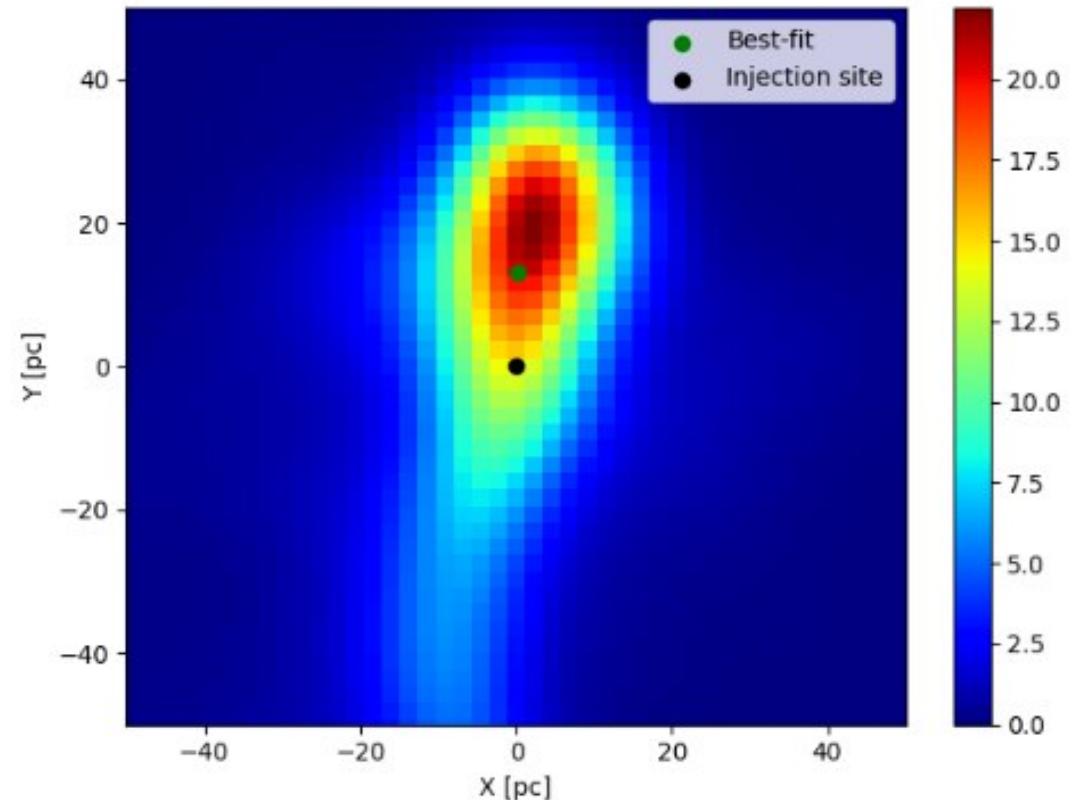
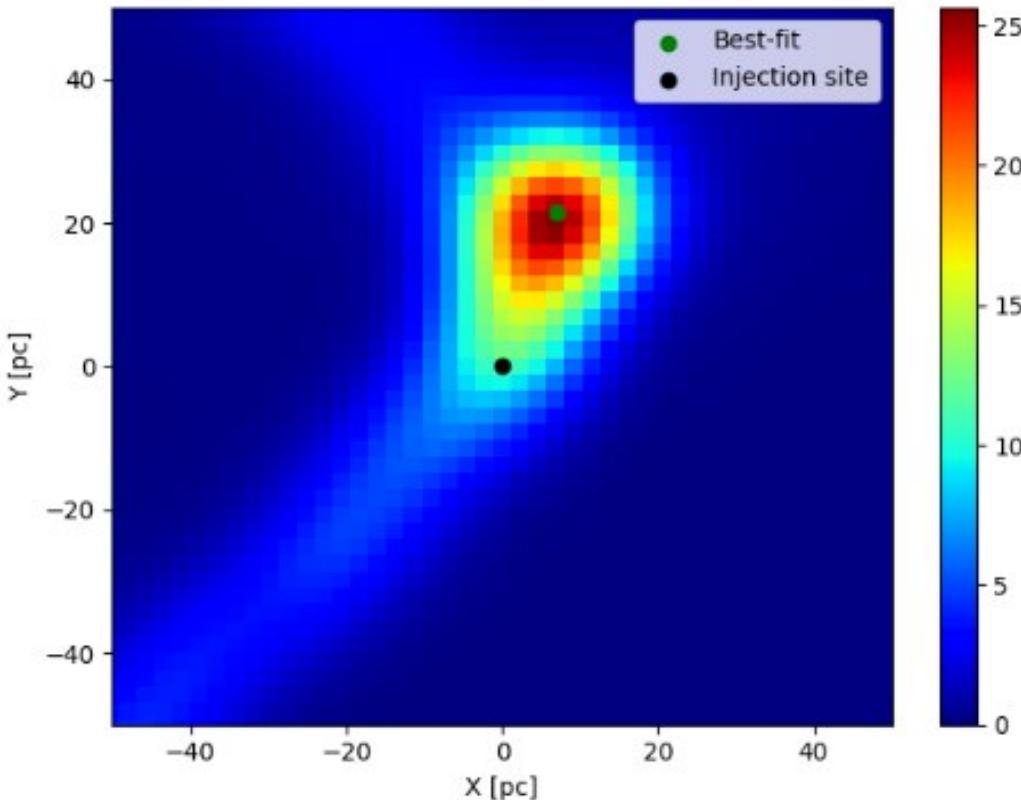
The second source is a **“mirage”**, where the magnetic field bends inwards /outwards, wrt/ observer.

(Prediction: X-ray emission at the mirage source fainter than that at the connecting structure.)



Large offsets:

Large offsets may exist between real source and detected source

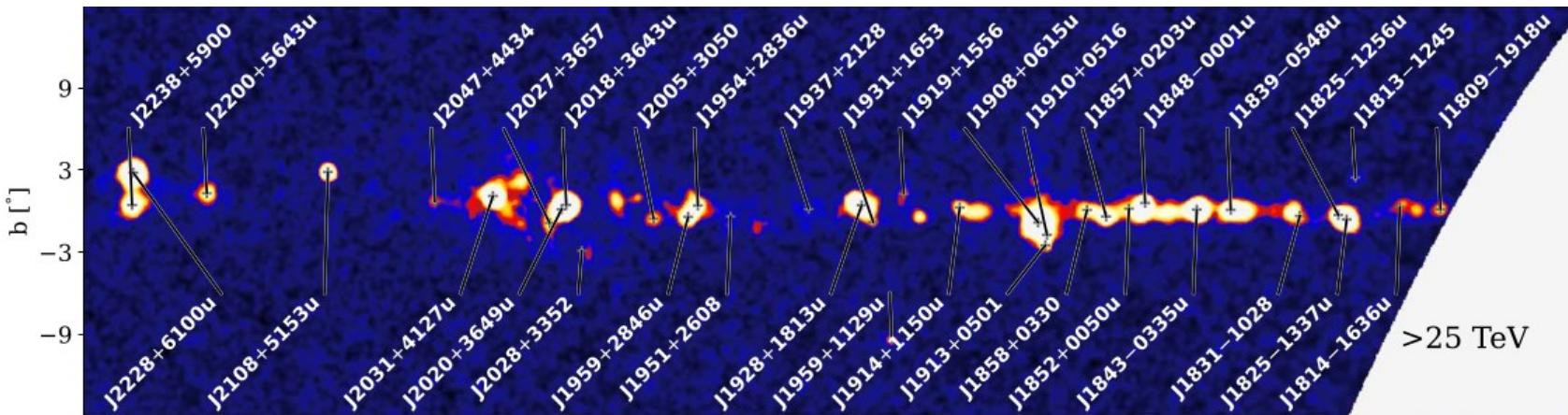


$B_{\text{turb}} \sim 1 \mu\text{G}$; $B_{\text{reg}} = 0 \mu\text{G}$; $L_c = 200 \text{ pc}$; Kolmogorov turbulence ; (8192 particles)

May explain LHAASO observations

LHAASO Collaboration, ApJS 271, 25 (2024)

Many extended sources w/ irregular shapes:



Large offsets between sources and center

Table 4. 1LHAASO sources associated pulsars

Source name	PSR name	Sep.(°)	d (kpc)	τ_c (kyr)	\dot{E} (erg s ⁻¹)	P_c	Identified type in TeVCat
1LHAASO J0007+7303u	PSR J0007+7303	0.05	1.40	14	4.5e+35	7.3e-05	PWN
1LHAASO J0216+4237u	PSR J0218+4232	0.33	3.15	476000	2.4e+35	3.6e-03	
1LHAASO J0249+6022	PSR J0248+6021	0.16	2.00	62	2.1e+35	1.5e-03	
1LHAASO J0359+5406	PSR J0359+5414	0.15	-	75	1.3e+36	7.2e-04	
1LHAASO J0534+2200u	PSR J0534+2200	0.01	2.00	1	4.5e+38	3.2e-06	PWN
1LHAASO J0542+2311u	PSR J0543+2329	0.30	1.56	253	4.1e+34	8.3e-03	
1LHAASO J0622+3754	PSR J0622+3749	0.09	-	208	2.7e+34	2.5e-04	PWN/TeV Halo
1LHAASO J0631+1040	PSR J0631+1037	0.11	2.10	44	1.7e+35	3.5e-04	PWN
1LHAASO J0634+1741u	PSR J0633+1746	0.12	0.19	342	3.3e+34	1.3e-03	PWN/TeV Halo
1LHAASO J0635+0619	PSR J0633+0632	0.39	1.35	59	1.2e+35	9.4e-03	
1LHAASO J1740+0948u	PSR J1740+1000	0.21	1.23	114	2.3e+35	1.4e-03	

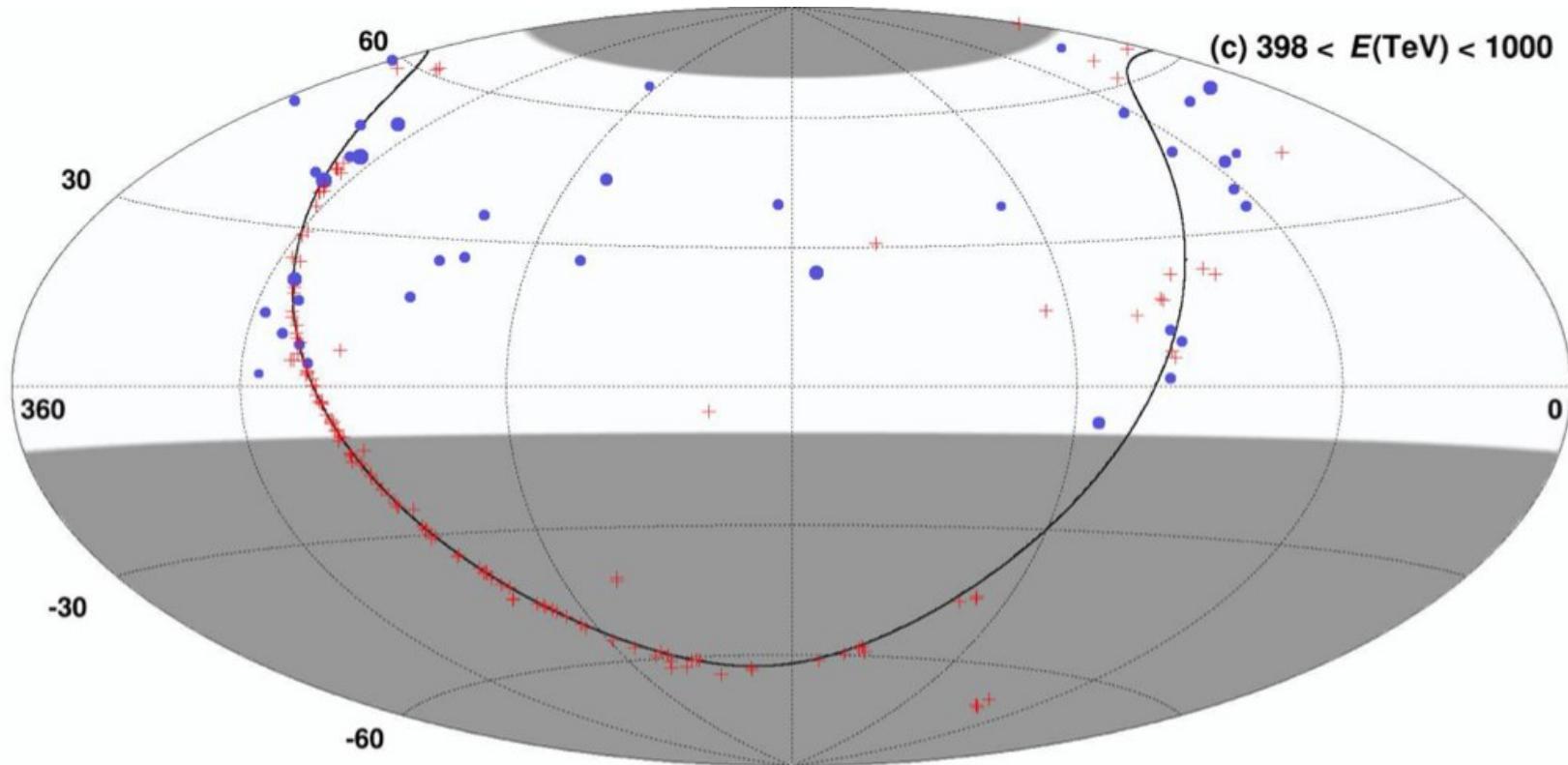
No counterparts?

Summary:

- **Very extended hadronic sources** from **past PeVatrons** may exist.
- “**Mirage**” **sources** may appear **around (and far from) astrophysical sources**.
- **Large offsets** may exist between the **real source** and the **detected source**, due to B field structure in the ISM around the source.

2 – Diffuse γ -ray emission

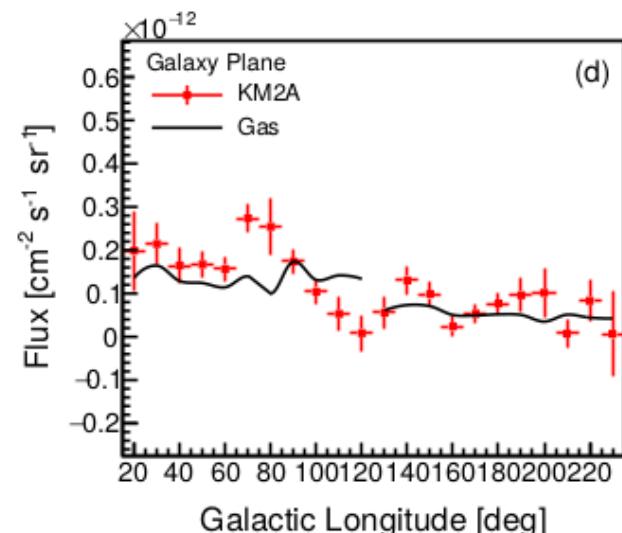
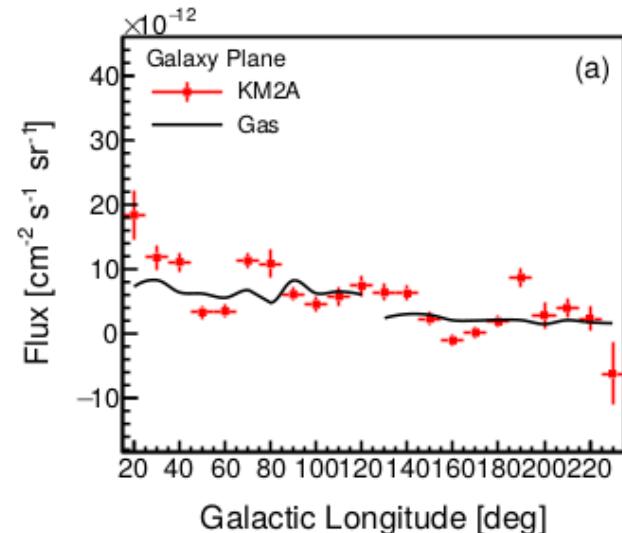
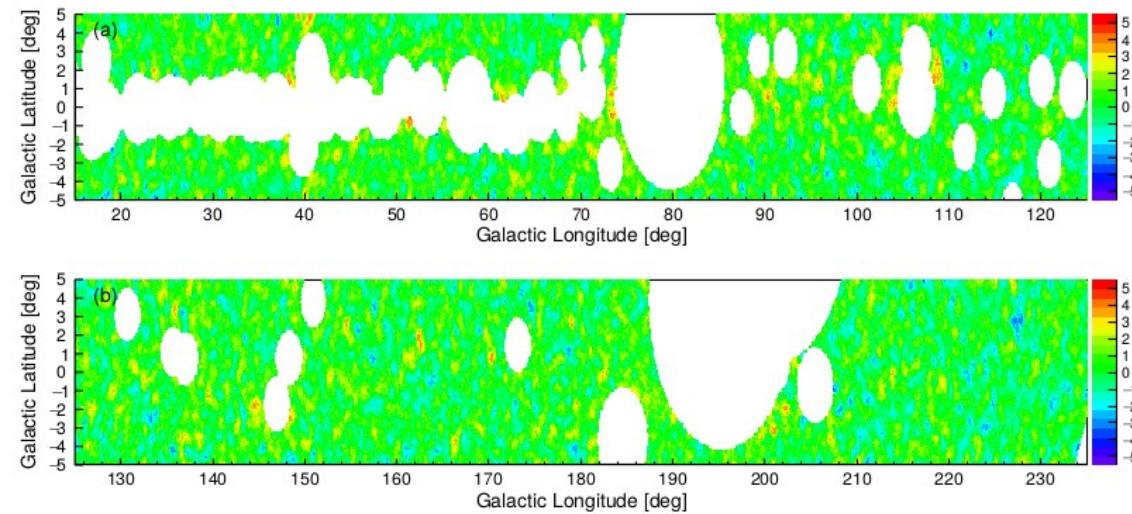
The sky at ~ 400 TeV – 1 PeV: Diffuse emission from AS- γ



AS- γ Collaboration,
arXiv:2104.05181

The sky at ~ 10 TeV – 1 PeV: Diffuse emission from LHAASO

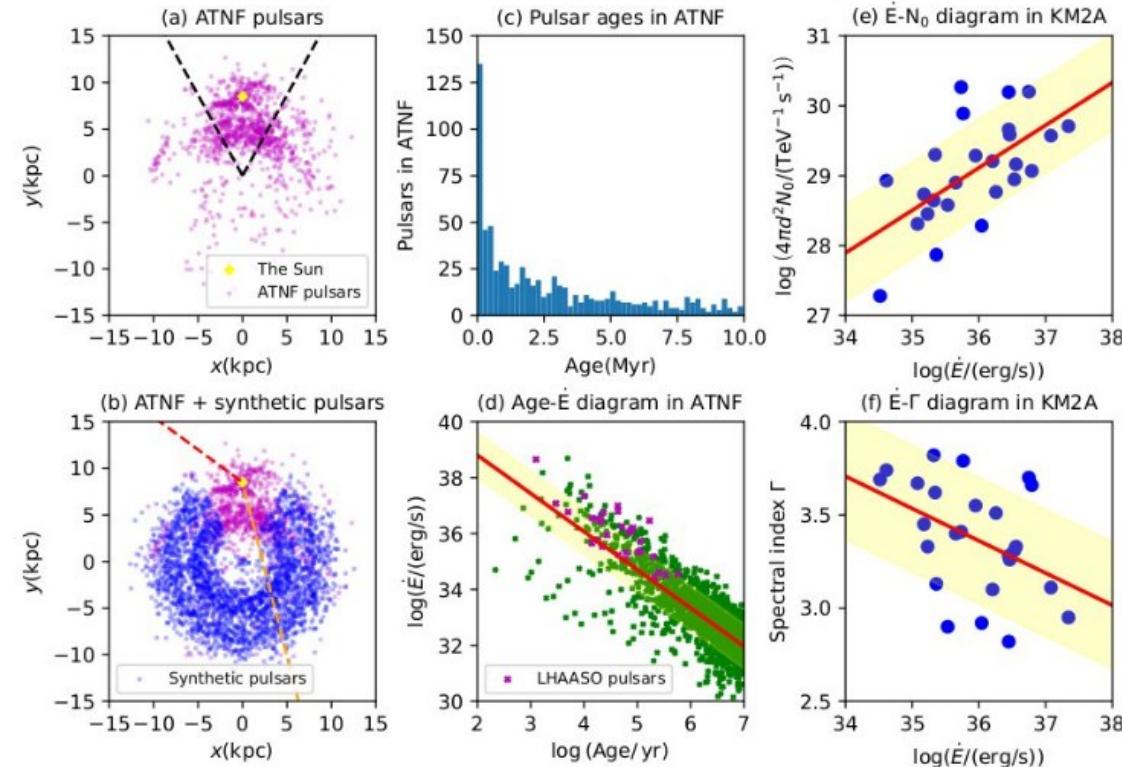
LHAASO Collaboration, arXiv:2305.05372



→ Emission in Galactic longitude does not follow target gas...
=> Stochasticity of CR injection?

Impact of unresolved sources (PWNe)

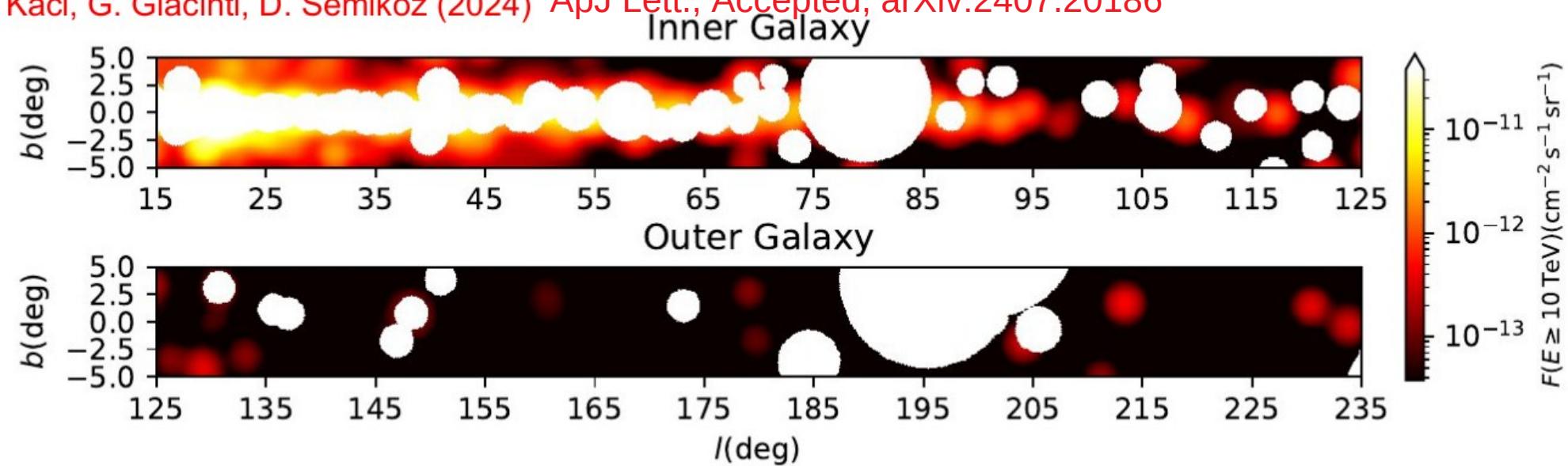
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- Use ATNF catalog and complete it.
- Generate a VHE gamma-ray emission similar to that measured by KM2A for each source.
- Constrain the gamma-ray emission to be below KM2A sensitivity.
- Use the same masks as LHAASO.
- Compare the contribution of unresolved sources to the total flux measured by KM2A.

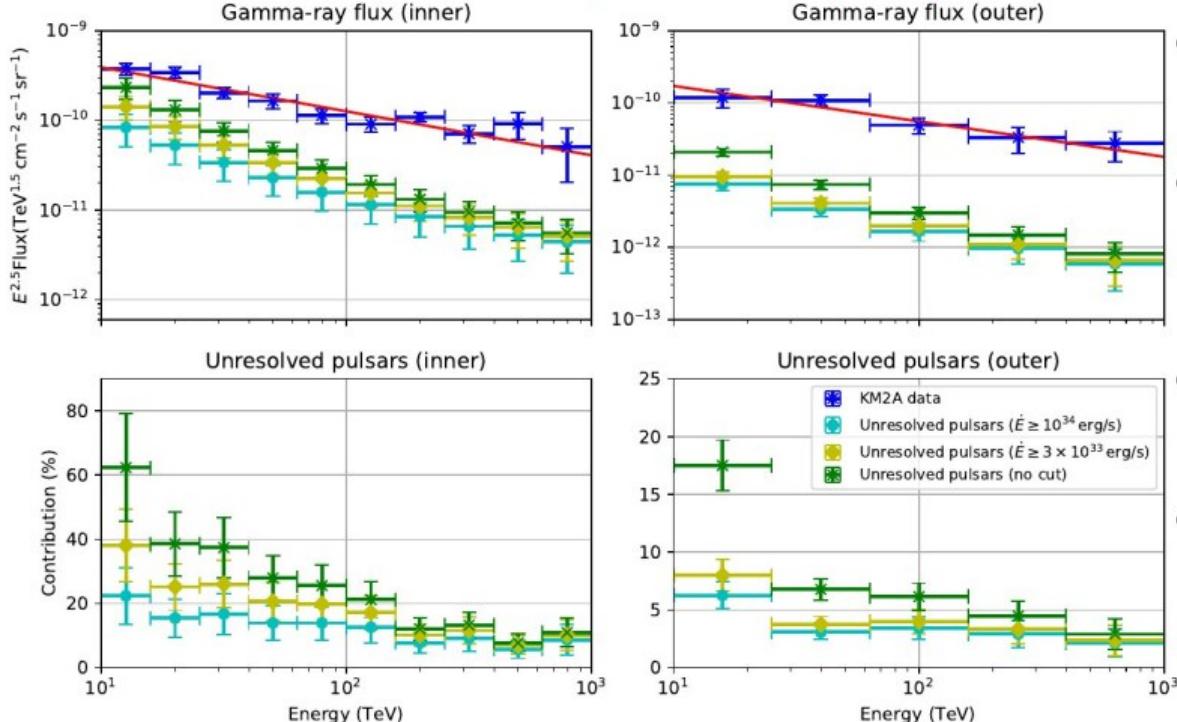
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- Unresolved pulsars almost do not contribute in the outer Galaxy.
- Their contribution in the inner Galaxy depends on the cut in spindown power.
- Their contribution is negligible above 100TeV.
- Unresolved pulsars may account for at most ~50% of the diffuse flux under ~30TeV in the inner Galaxy..

Diffuse gamma-ray emission at VHE from discrete CR sources

Works by Samy Kaci

Based on:
Kaci & Giacinti, arXiv:
2406.11015, Accepted by JCAP



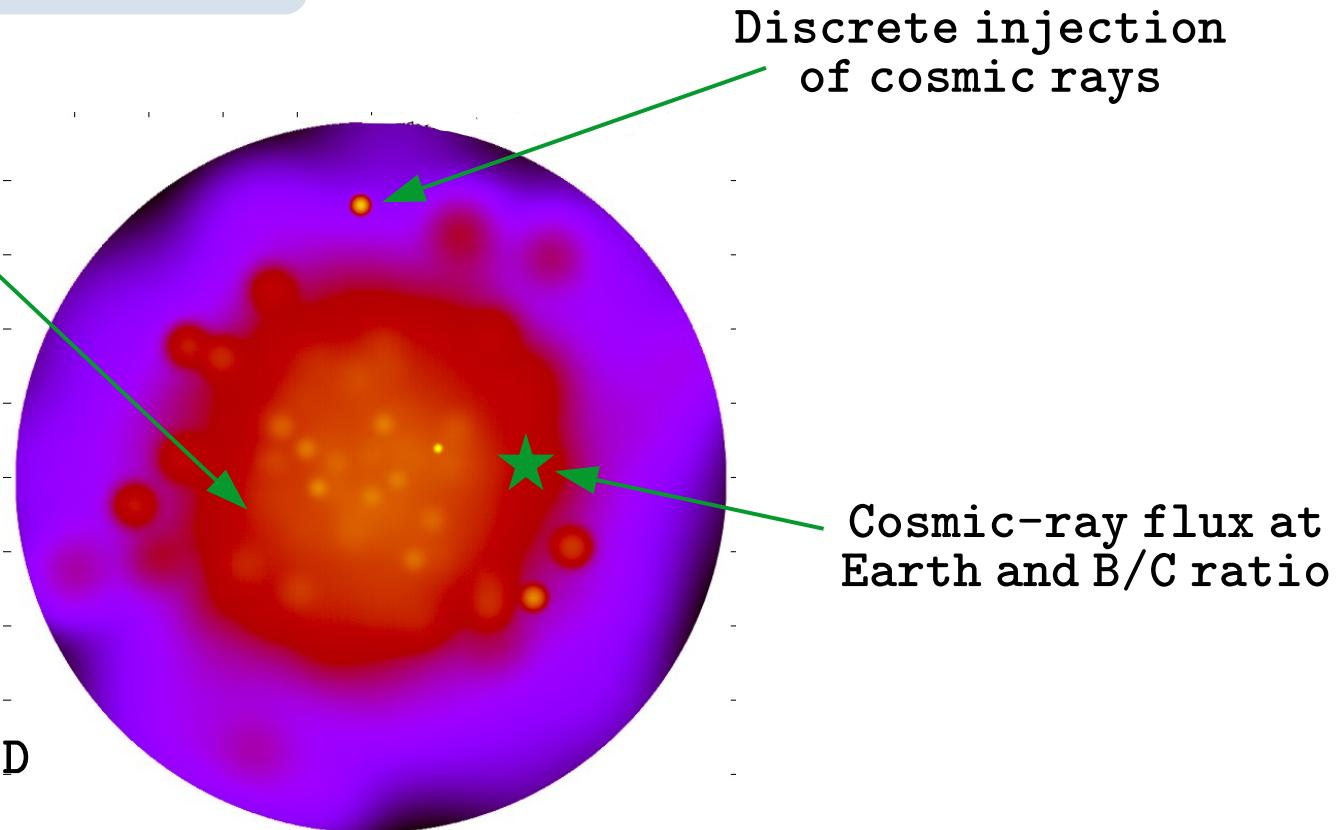
Our simulation

Isotropic and homogeneous diffusion

1) GALPROP-like ($d=1/3$) :

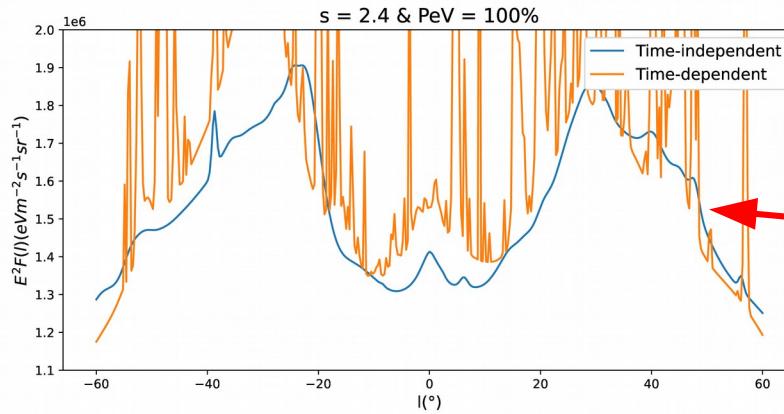
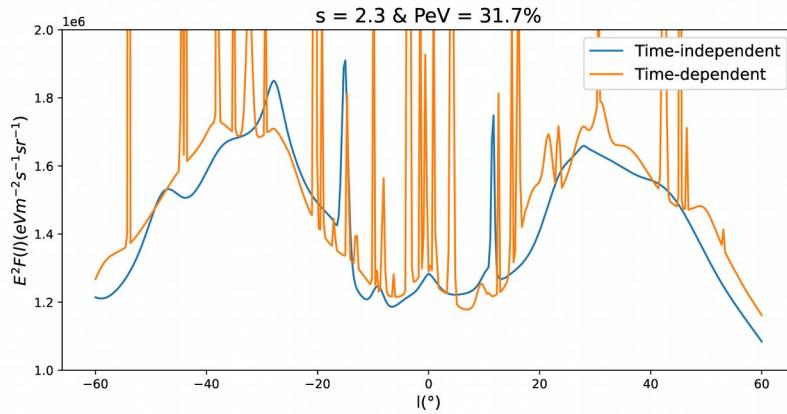
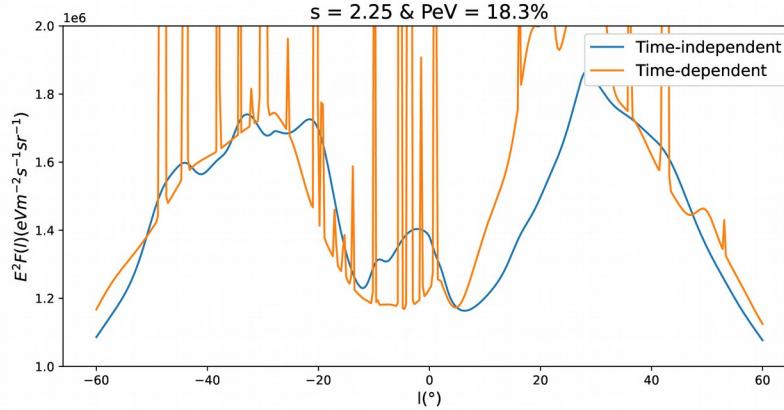
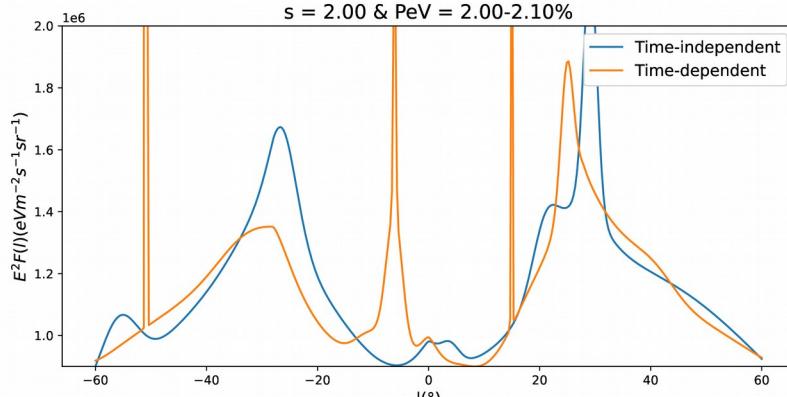
$$D(E) = 10^{28} D_{28} \left(\frac{R}{3GV} \right)^{\delta} \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$$

$$D_{28} = 1.33 \times \frac{H}{kpc}$$

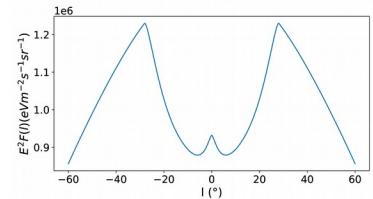


2) Time-dependent (mimics self-confinement) : $1/100 \times D$ around sources for 10 kyr.

Clumps in the gamma-ray flux

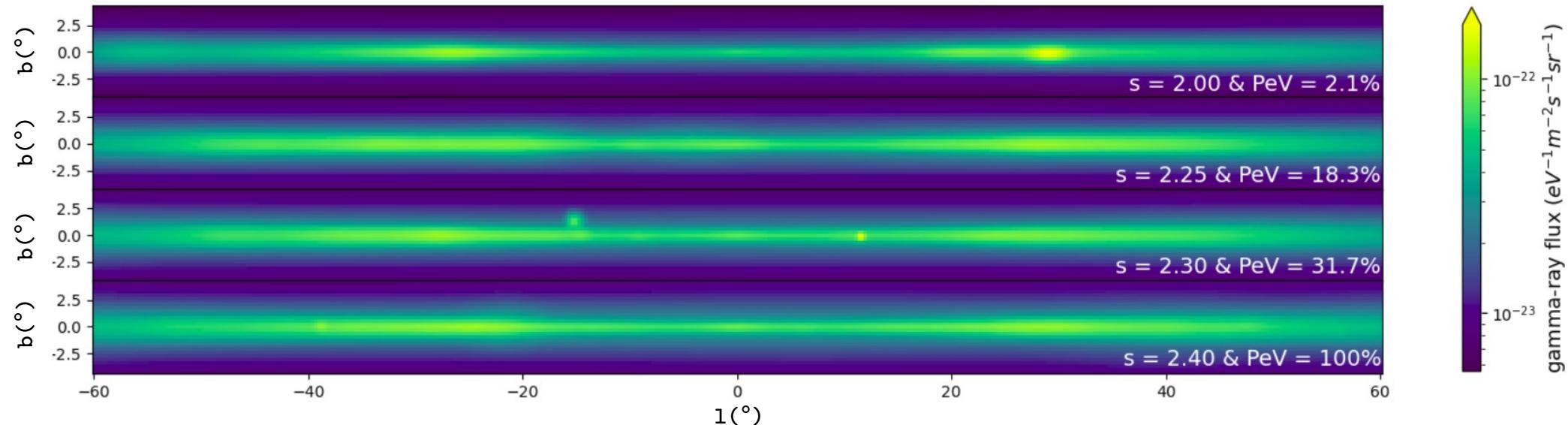


General shape
like Lipari &
Vernetto

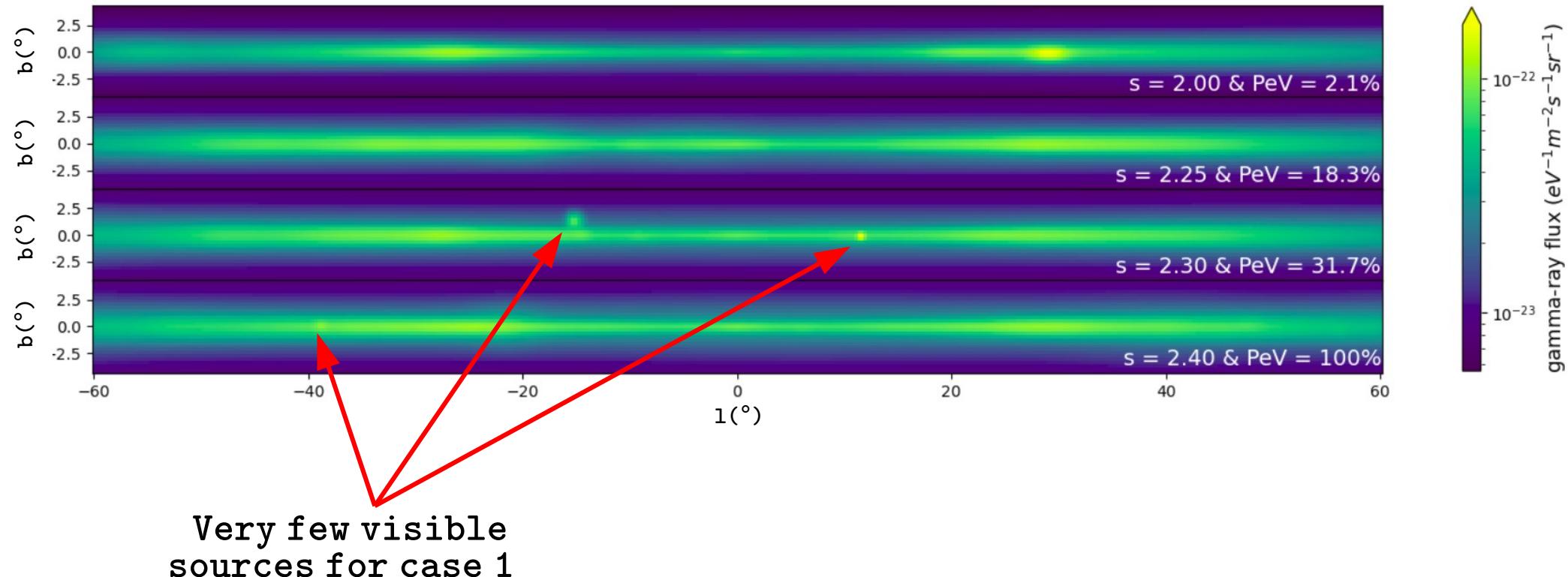


But both cases
present large
bumps

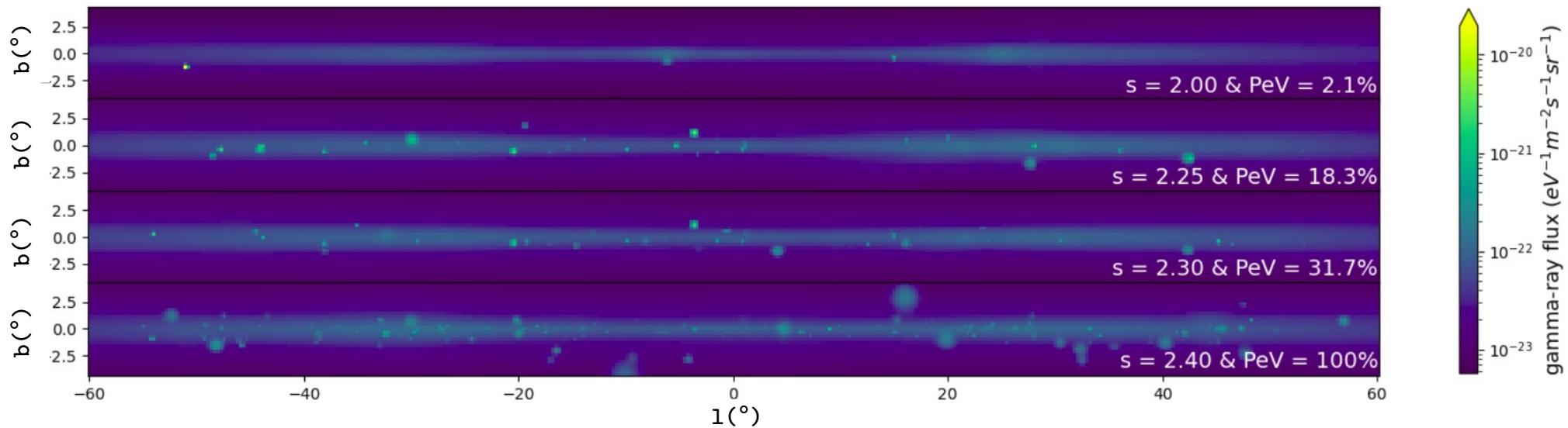
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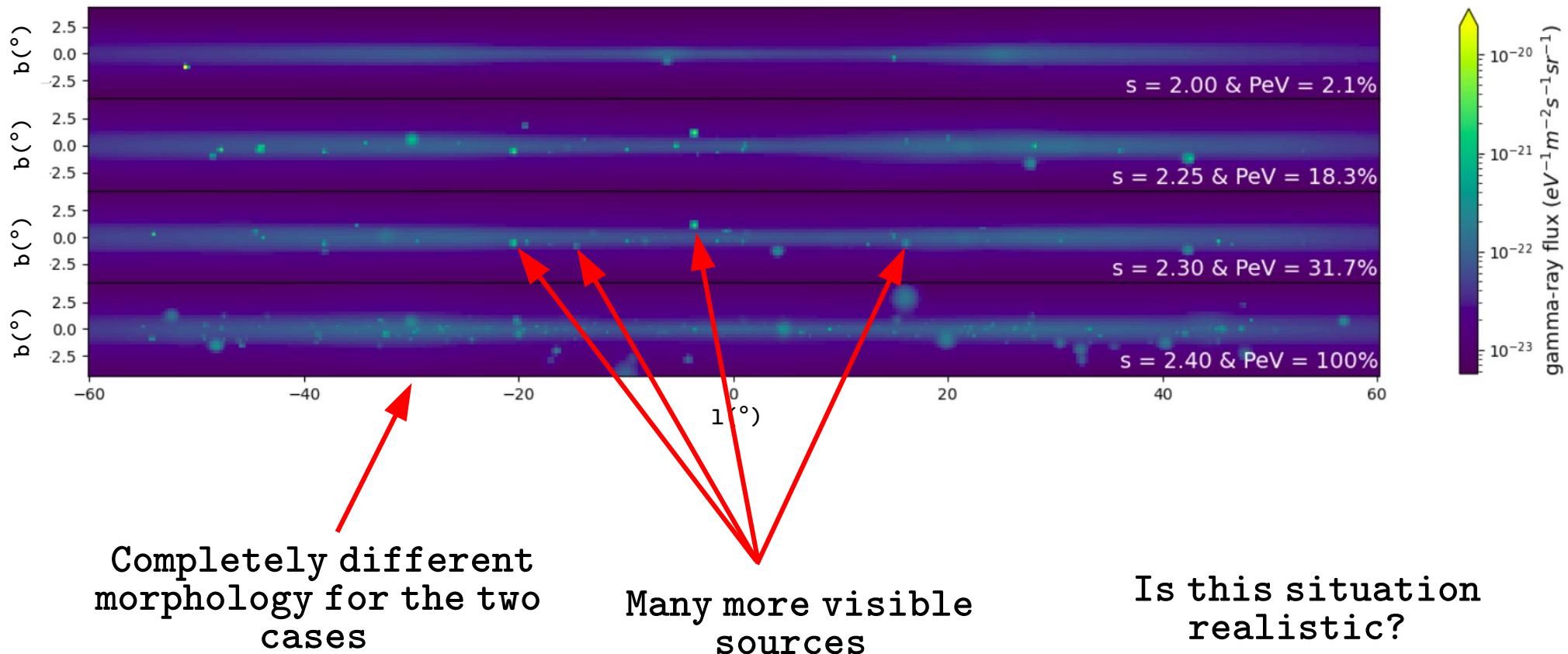
Sky Maps and sources (case 1)



Sky Maps and sources (case 2)

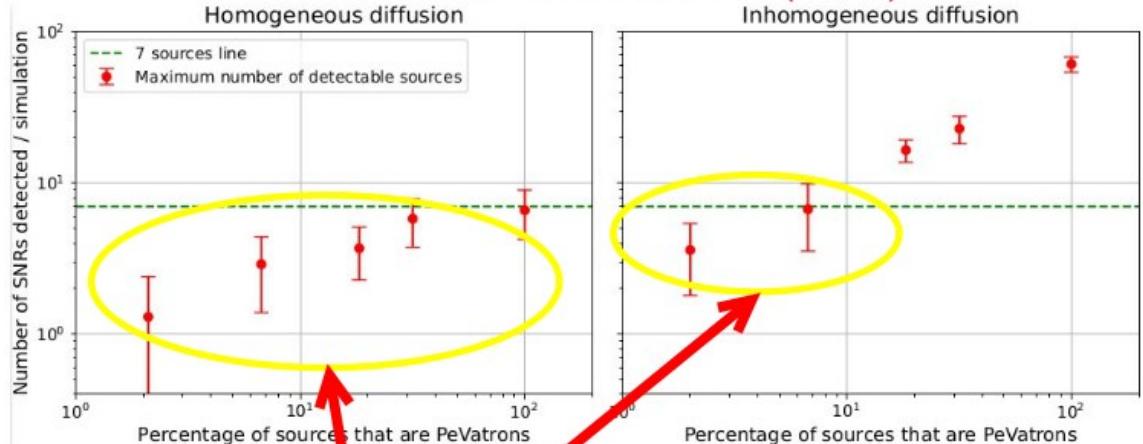


Sky Maps and sources (case 2)



Number of detectable sources

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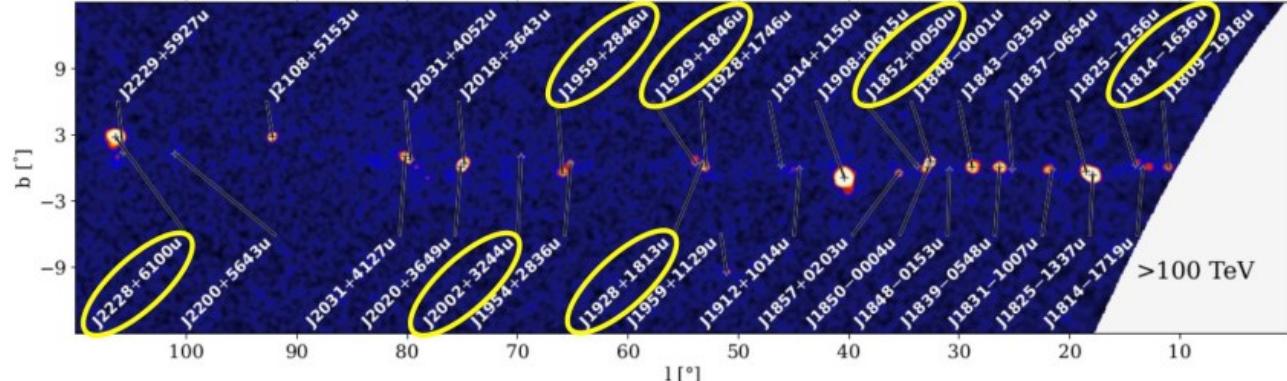


There is still some degeneracy between the two cases

Can be disentangled from clumpiness of diffuse bkg

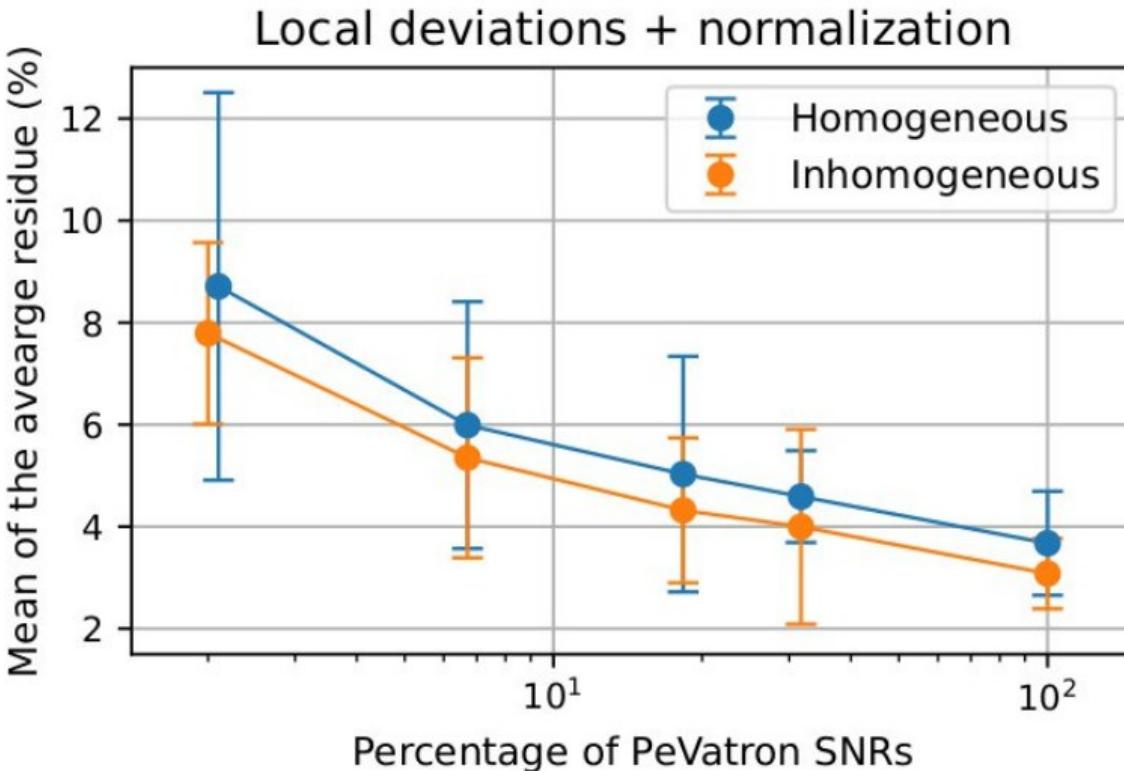
- Two diffusion regimes lead to different results concerning the detectability of sources.
- Homogeneous diffusion strongly limits the detectability of sources.
- Some parts of the space parameters can already be excluded.

Z. Cao et al., (2023)



Morphology of the diffuse background

S. Kaci & G. Giacinti (2024)



- The diffusion mechanism does not really impact the diffuse background.
- At VHE there are always deviations from the expected morphology.
- Variations are more important for small numbers of SNRs.
- The morphology of the diffuse background can help to alleviate the degeneracy between the diffusion mechanisms.

Summary & Conclusion

- Gamma-ray flux can be quite clumpy.
- Case 1: CRs diffuse very fast and most sources quickly become invisible.
- The sky map morphology is very sensitive to the propagation mechanism.
- For standard (GALPROP) isotropic diffusion few sources are detectable.
- Assuming a short period of suppressed diffusion several sources appear .
- Inhomogeneous diffusion implies a PeVatron SNR rate $< 3.6/\text{kyr}$.