

Gamma-ray observations in the vicinity of supernova remnants G106.3+2.7 and HB9

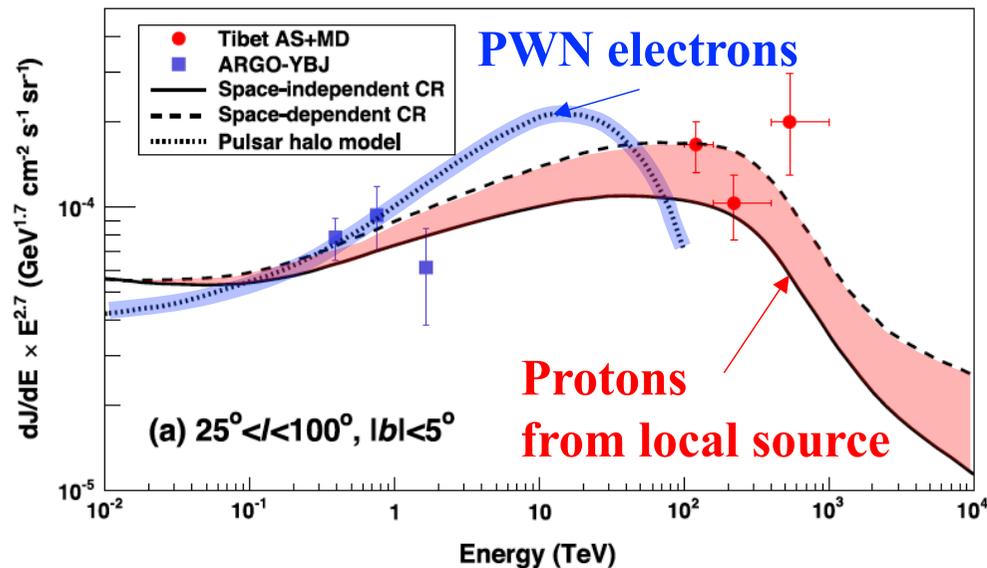
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PeVatron SNR search

CRs up to PeV are accelerated in Supernova remnant (SNR)?

→ PeV protons emit ~ 100 TeV gamma rays via the neutral pion decay.

Detection of 100 TeV γ rays from
Galactic diffuse emission
[Tibet Collab., 2021]



- ☑ Electrons from PWNe cannot explain the 100-TeV flux?
→ Support for Galactic PeVatrons

100-TeV source catalog
[LHAASO Collab., 2021]

* Blue: PWN, Red: SNR, Green: star formation region

| Name | Associated source ($< 1.0^\circ$) |
|------------|---|
| J0534+2202 | PSR J0534+2200 |
| J1825-1327 | PSR J1826-1334, PSR J1826-1256 |
| J1839-0545 | PSR J1837-0604, PSR J1838-0537 |
| J1849-0338 | SNR G28.6-0.1 |
| J1849-0003 | PSR J1849-0001, W43 |
| J1908+0621 | SNR G40.5-0.5, PSR J1907+0602, PSR J1907+0631 |
| J1929+1745 | PSR J1928+1746, PSR J1930+1852, SNR G54.1+0.3 |
| J1956+2845 | PSR J1958+2846, SNR G66.0-0.0 |
| J2018+3651 | PSR J2021+3651, Sh 2-104 |
| J2032+4102 | Cygnus OB2, PSR J2032+4127, SNR G79.8+1.2 |
| J2108+5157 | - |
| J2226+6057 | SNR G106.3+2.7, PSR J2229+6114 |

There is no conclusive observational evidence.

My Study

Q. Why we can't find SNR PeVatron?

Reason 1: Although LHAASO already detect the emissions from SNR PeVatron, we cannot resolve the emission mechanism.

→ Detailed γ -ray observations with better angular resolution can discover them?

Reason 2: Only young SNR (< 1 kyr) can produce PeV CR, and they already escaped from SNR at the early stage.

Thus, the observation opportunity is few?

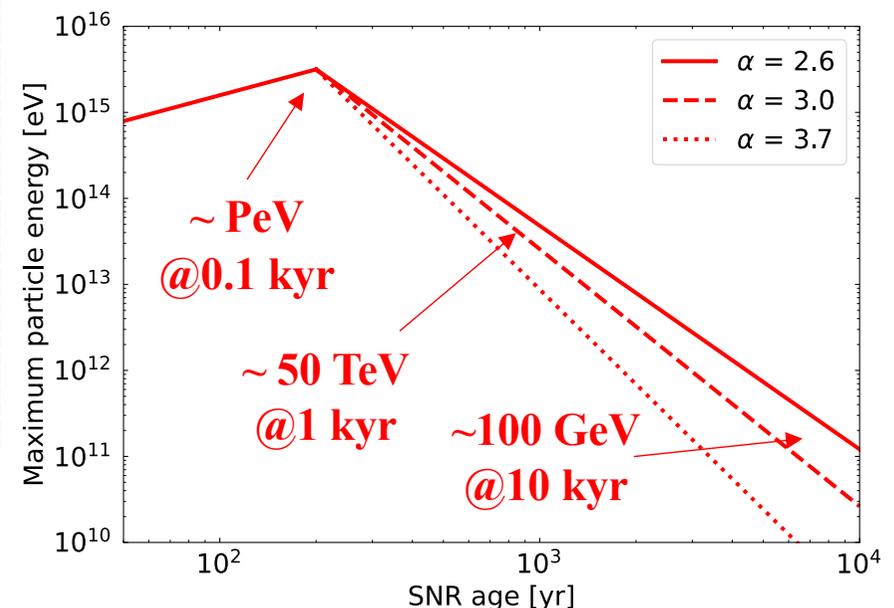
→ Measure the time evolution of the maximum acceleration energy of SNRs.

Approach using γ -ray observations

LHAASO 100 TeV sources

| Name | Associated source ($< 1^\circ$) |
|-------------------|--|
| J0534+2202 | PSR J0534+2200 (Crab) |
| ... | \approx ... |
| J2226+6057 | SNR G106.3+2.7, PSR J2229+6114 |

E_{\max} vs t_{age} [based on Ohira+2011]





MAGIC γ -ray observation of LHAASO J2226+6057/ SNR G106.3+2.7

[MAGIC Collab.: H. Abe, TO et al., A&A in press, arXiv: 2211.15321]

SNR G106.3+2.7 / Boomerang PWN

☺ One of the PeVatron candidate

HAWC, TibetAS γ , and LHAASO detected 100 TeV γ -ray emission [Albert+ 2020; Amenomori+ 2021; Cao+2021]

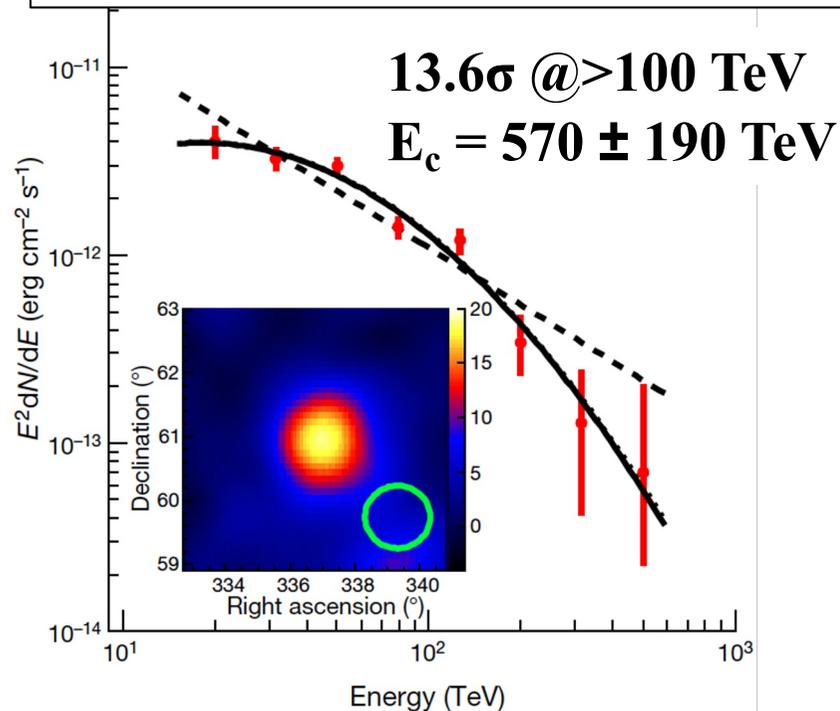


PWN & SNR complex (Boomerang PWN & SNR G106.3+2.7)

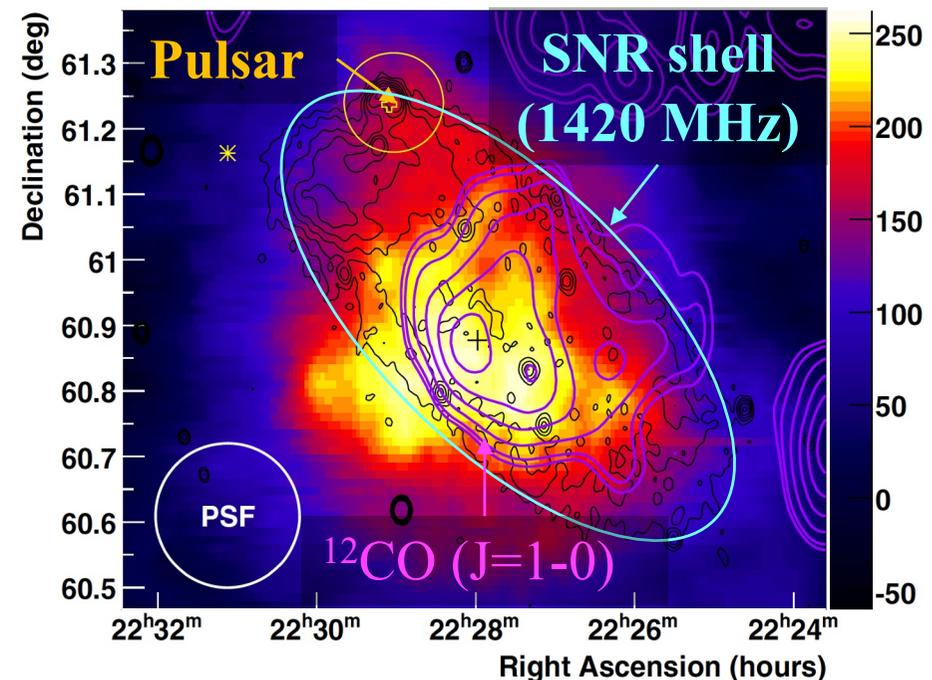
SNR age: 4-10 kyr [Halpern+2001, Kothes+2006]

Origin of the VHE emission is unclear. PWN or SNR? hadronic or leptonic?

LHAASO spectrum [Cao+2021]



VERITAS >0.63 TeV [Acciari+2009]



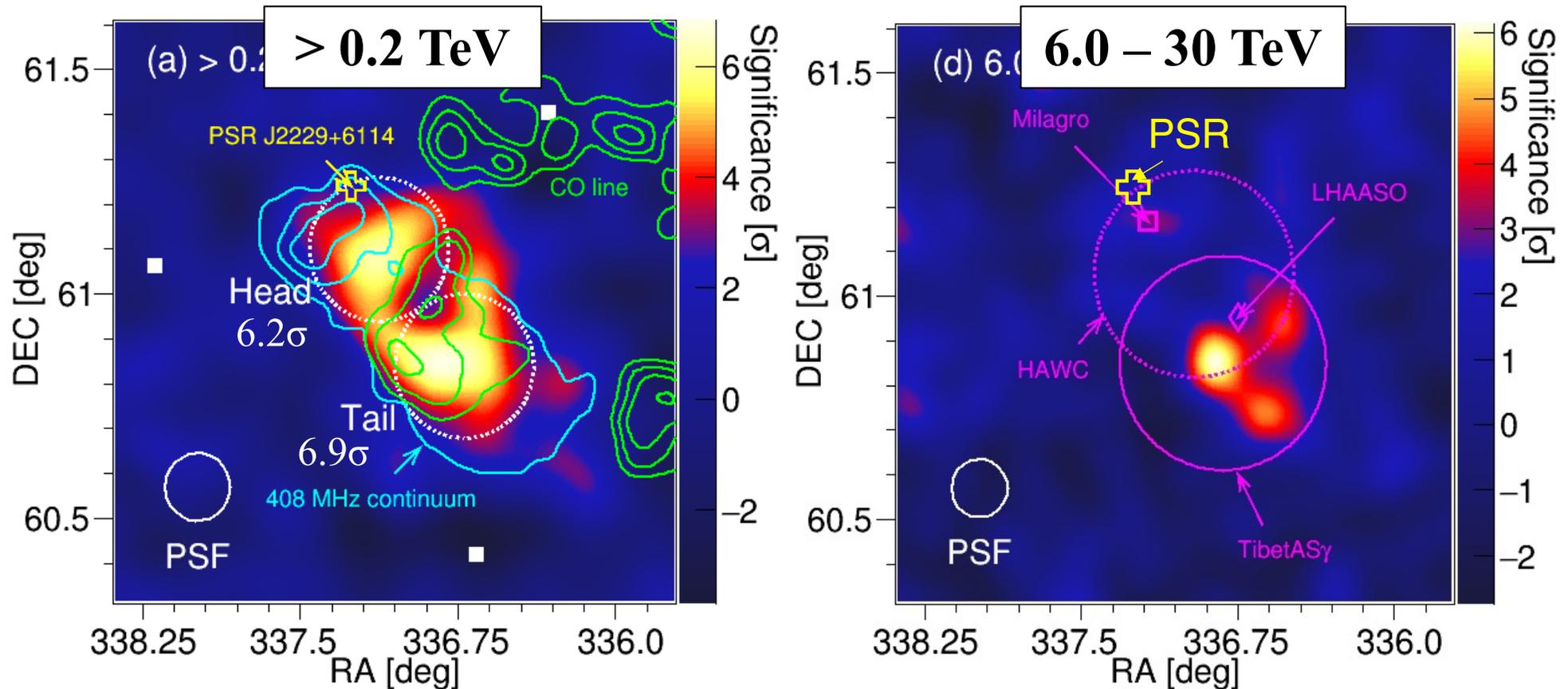
MAGIC observations

The MAGIC observations were performed with better angular resolution than previous γ ray observations in the vicinity of SNR G106.3+2.7.



| | VERITAS (pre-upgrade) [Acciari+2009] | MAGIC [This work] |
|--|---|---|
| Observation period | 2008 | 2017 – 2019 |
| Observation time | 33.4 hr | 122 hr |
| Analysis threshold | 0.63 TeV | 0.2 TeV |
| 68%-containment radius of PSF | 0.11° | 0.084° (>0.2 TeV) 0.072° (> 1 TeV) |

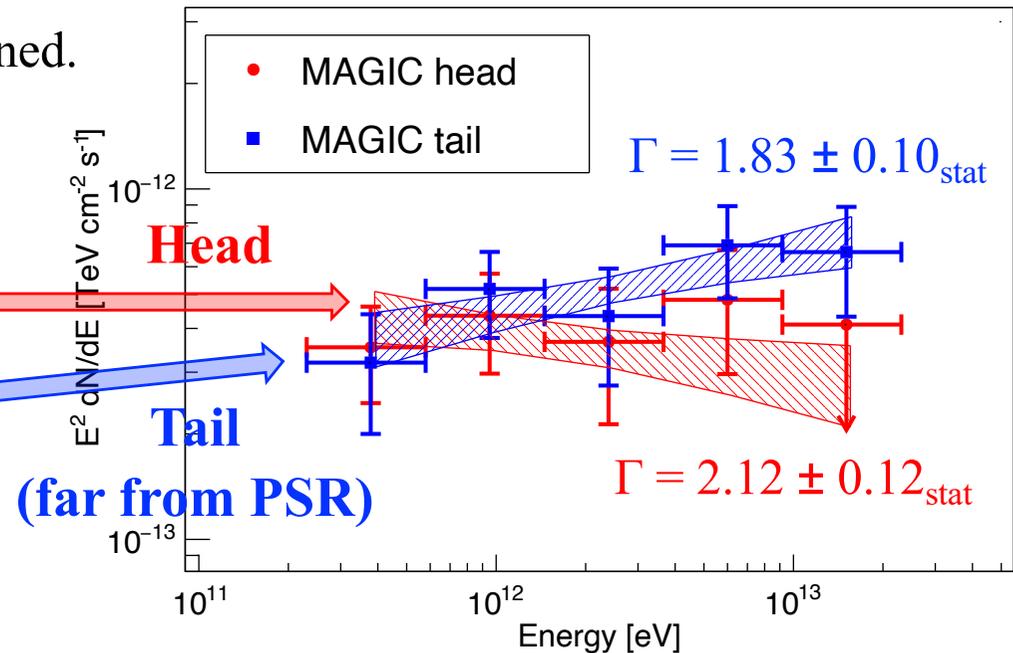
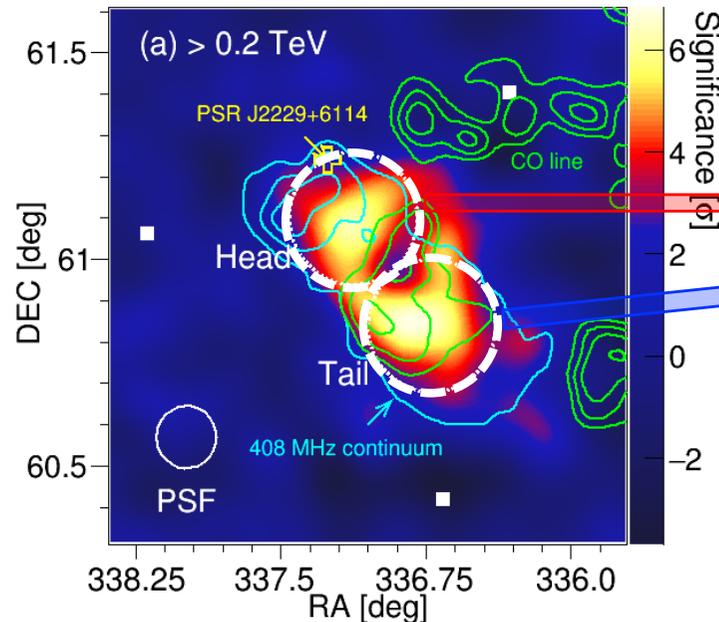
MAGIC skymap



- ☑ γ -ray emission > 0.2 TeV extends along with radio continuum emissions, named Head & Tail by Joncas & Higgs (1990).
- ☑ High energy emissions are offset (0.47 ± 0.03 deg) from the pulsar position.
 - The position is in good agreement with other experiments.
 - Extension (0.14 ± 0.09 deg) is consistent with Tibet AS γ (0.24 ± 0.10 deg).

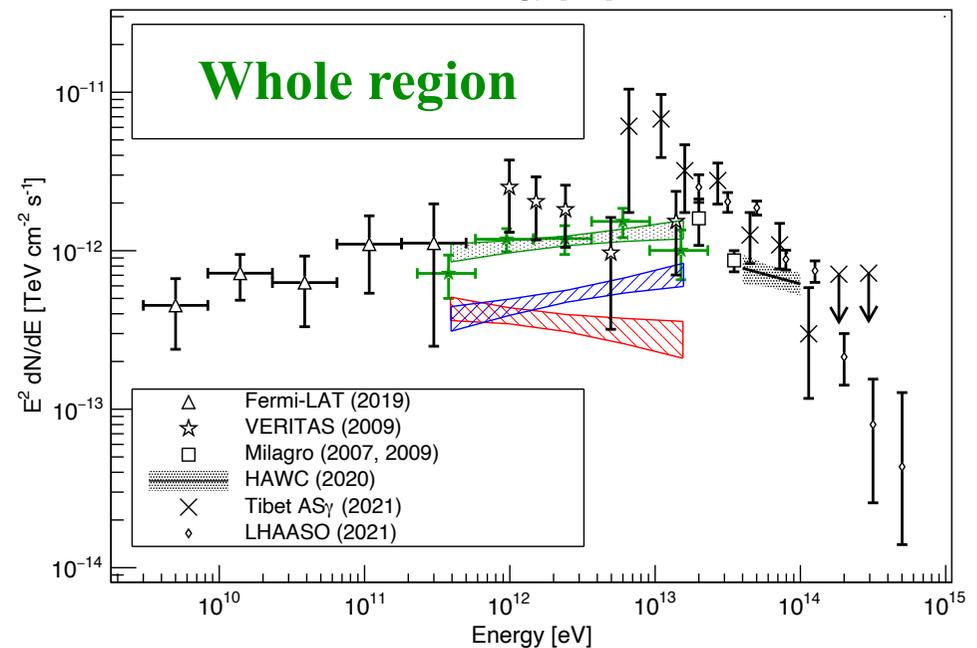
Energy spectrum of SNR G106.3+2.7

Two regions, **Head** & **Tail**, are newly defined.



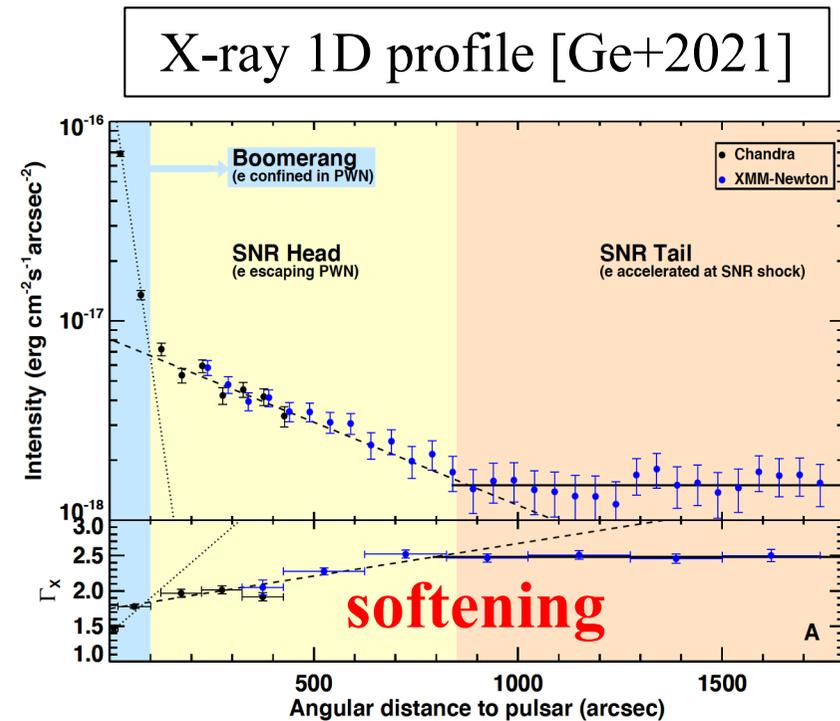
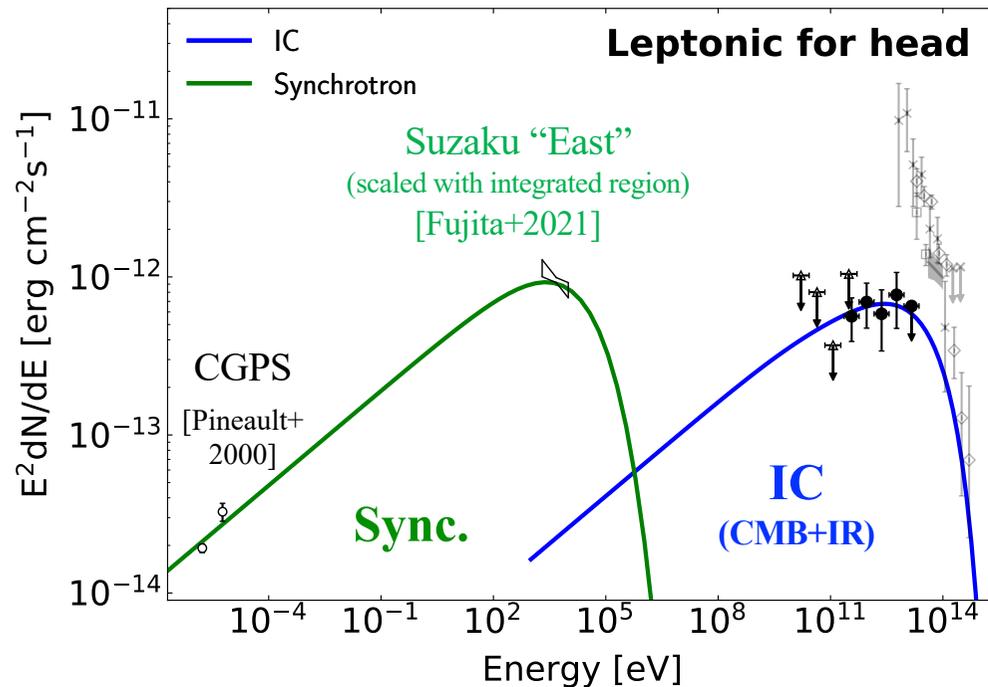
- ☑ The spectra of Two regions are similar but at ~ 10 TeV, **Head** has lower flux.
→ **MAGIC-Tail** is a promising counterpart of the 100 TeV source.

- ☑ **Our result** is consistent with VERITAS within 1σ uncertainty.



Modelling result -Head (near PSR)-

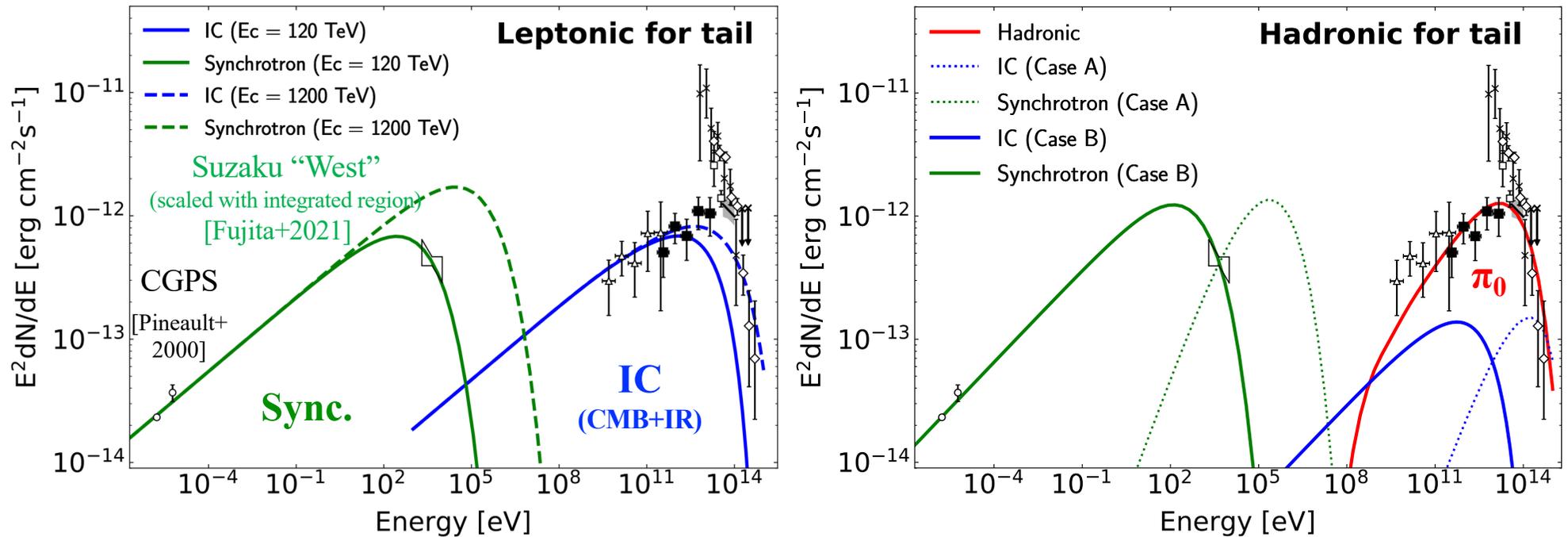
Modeling with naima [Zabalza 2015]



| | α_e | $E_{\text{cut}, e}$ | $W_e (>1 \text{ GeV})$ | B |
|----------|------------|---------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Leptonic | 2.6 | 360 TeV | 1.4×10^{47} erg | $3 \mu\text{G}$ |

- ☑ Leptonic emission can reproduce the MWL spectrum in the head region.
- ☑ X-ray results for the head region (Ge+2021, Fujita+2021) suggest the synchrotron emission originates in the Boomerang PWN.

Modelling result -Tail-



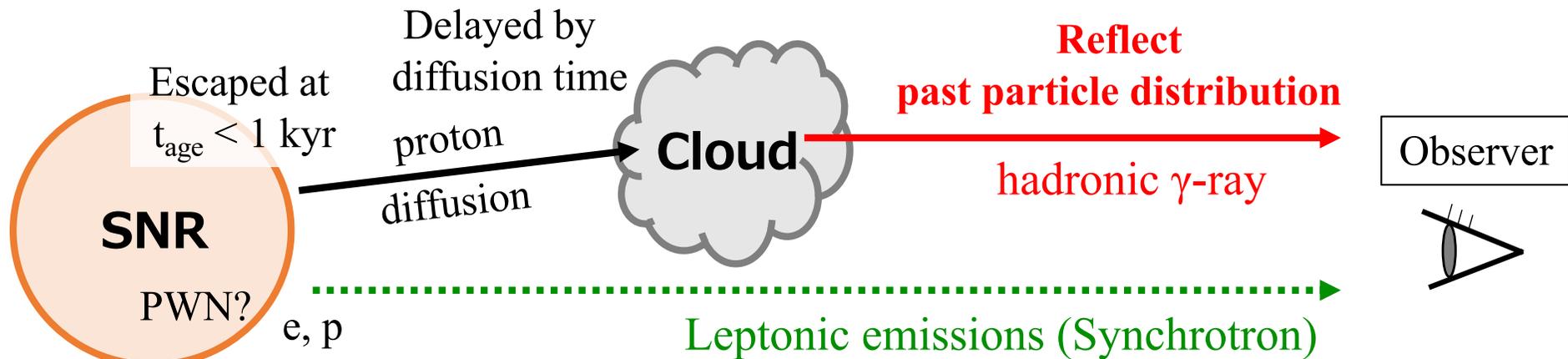
| | α_e | $E_{\text{cut}, e}$ | $W_e (>1 \text{ GeV})$ | B | α_p | $E_{\text{cut}, p}$ | $W_p (>1 \text{ GeV})$ | N_{gas} |
|----------|------------|----------------------|--------------------------|------------------|------------|---------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Leptonic | 2.6 | 120 TeV (1.2 PeV) | 1.6×10^{47} erg | 3 μG | - | - | - | - |
| Hadronic | 2.5 | 35 TeV | 2.0×10^{46} erg | 10 μG | 1.7 | 1 PeV | 8.2×10^{45} erg | 200 cm^{-3} |

Leptonic: Electrons of SNR-tail can reproduce the MAGIC spectrum but if assume gamma-ray > 10 TeV is only from tail, in tension.

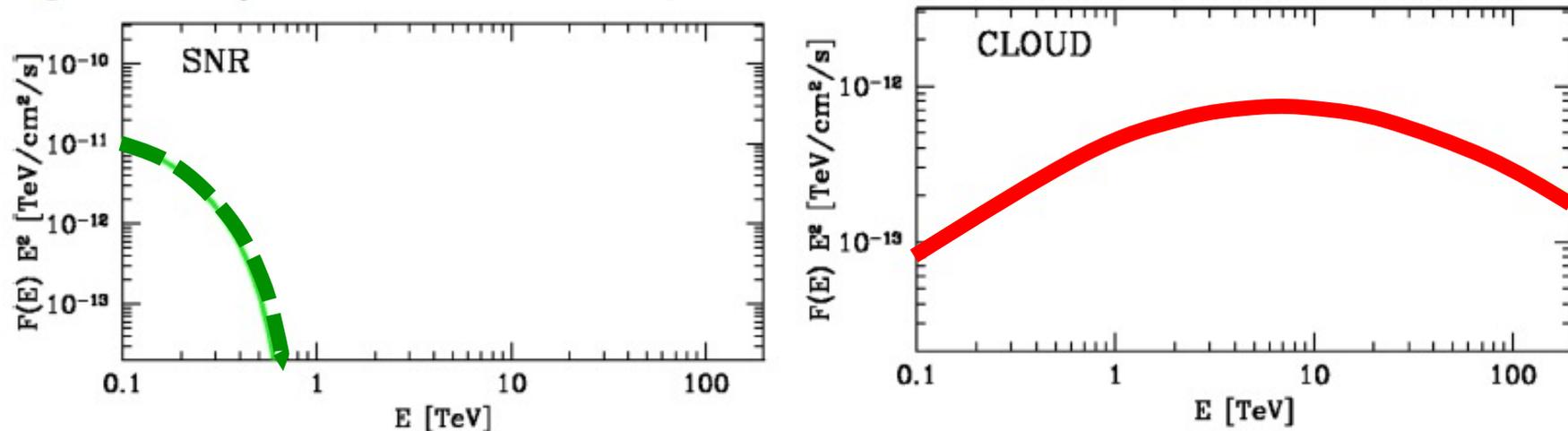
Hadronic: PeV proton is not expected in middle-aged SNR (4–10 kyr). To reproduce the radio-X band, required different electron distribution from protons.

Interpretation for Tail: CR-escape scenario

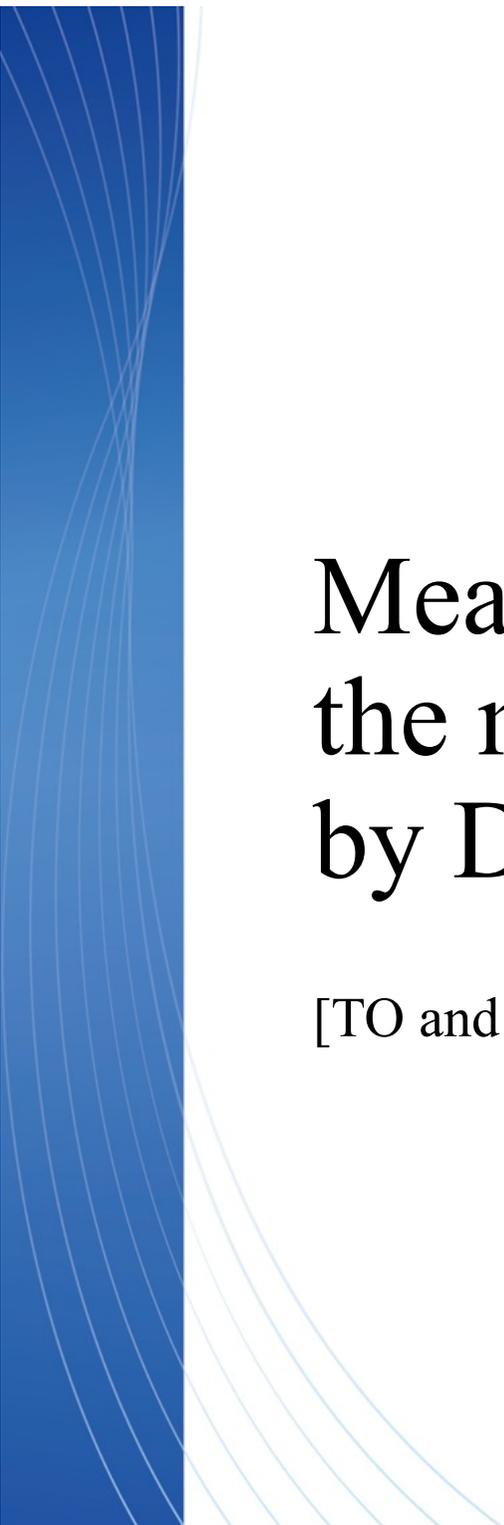
- ☑ Protons escaped from SNR in the past can explain ~ 1 PeV energies and the hard index at the middle-aged SNR (4-10 kyr).



Example [Gabici+2007]



- ☑ The difference in the distribution between electron & proton suggests they come from the different location (i.e., shell and cloud)?

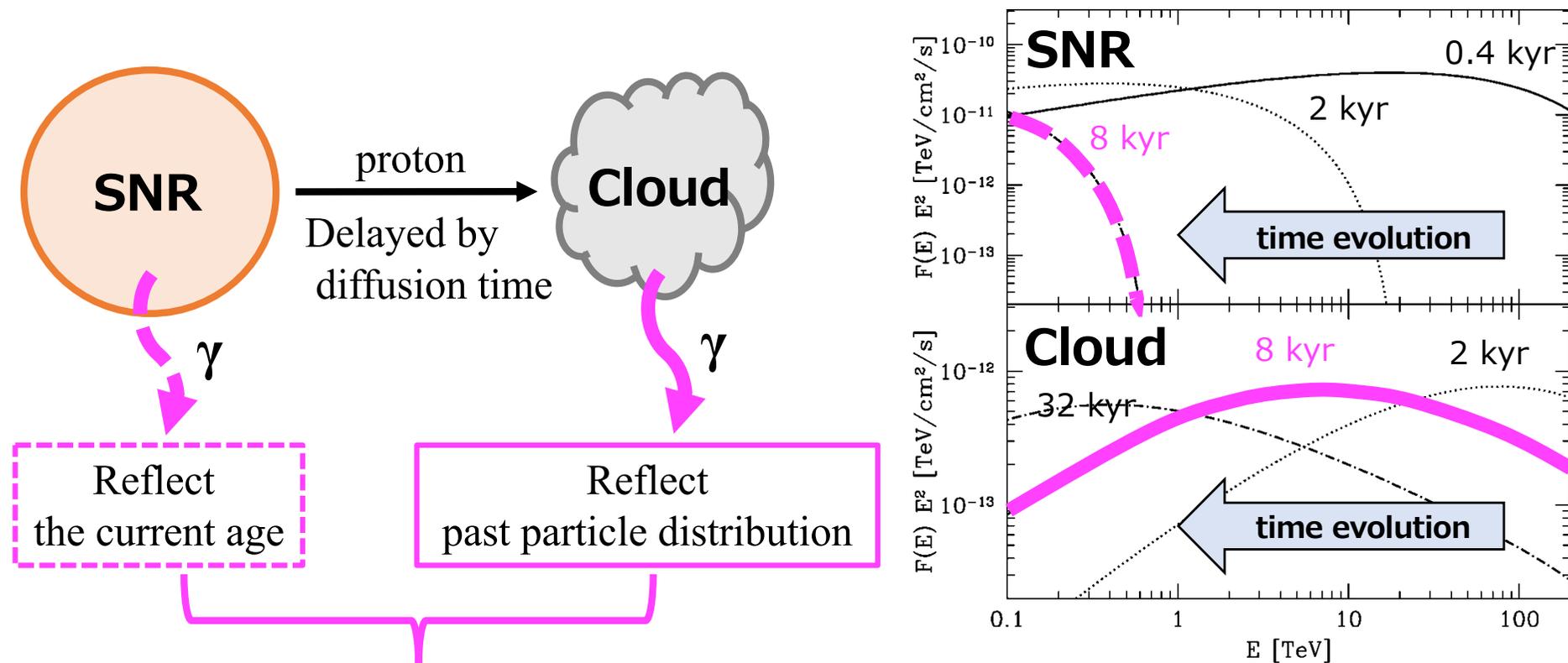


Measurement of time evolution of the maximum acceleration energy by DSA in SNRs

[TO and W. Ishizaki., 2022, PASJ, arXiv: 2203.03240]

How to measure at a single SNR

Example of Gamma-ray spectra assuming SNR was PeVatron [Gabici et al., 2007]



Once we observe the spectra in more than two of these region
(e.g., SNR+Cloud or two Clouds),
we can trace the time evolution of the particle distribution on a single SNR.

It is important that SNR and Cloud do not overlap in line of sight.

Object of interest: SNR HB9 (G160.9+2.6)

6.6 kyr (Dynamical age), Distance from Earth: 0.8 ± 0.4 kpc [Leahy & Tian, 2007]

Advantage 1

GeV γ -ray emission from SNR radio shell was already detected [Araya 2014]



Present distribution can be obtained.

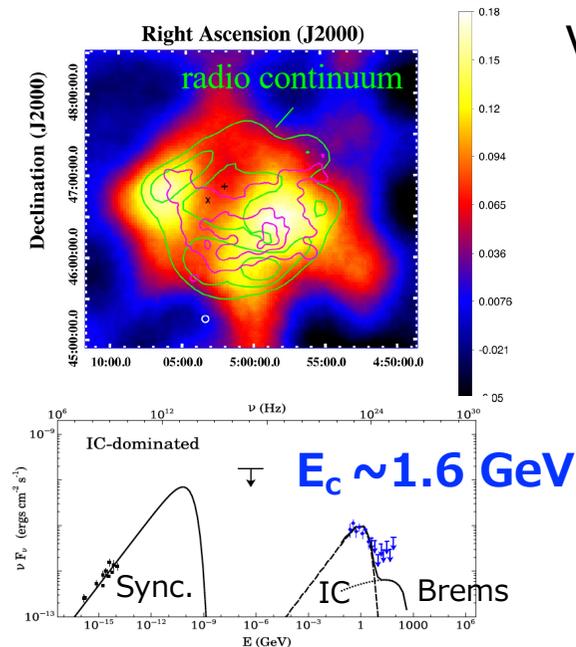
Advantage 2

CO clouds exist w/o overlapping with the SNR shell radially [Sezer+2019]

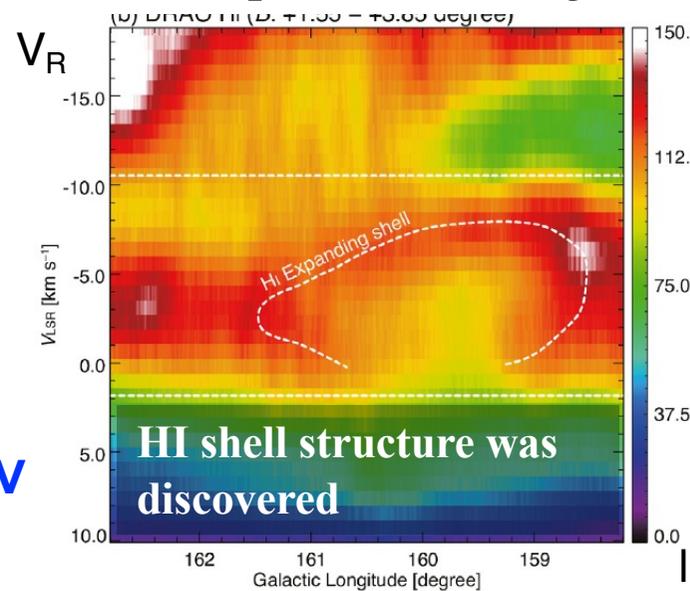


Past distribution can be examined.

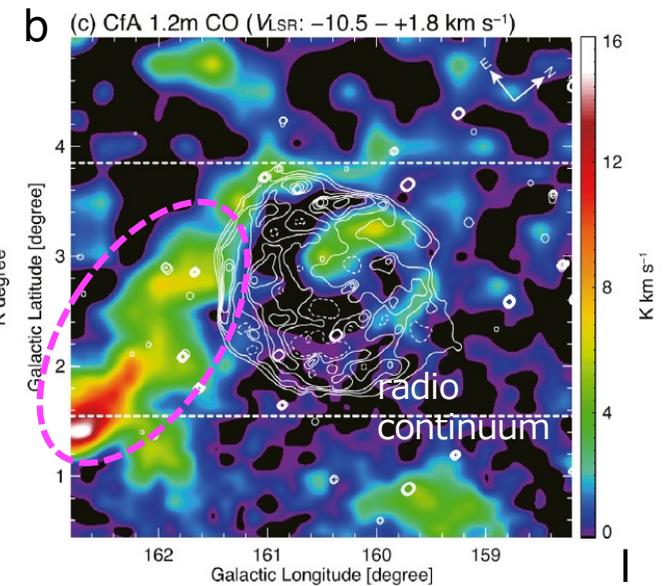
Fermi-LAT γ -ray map



HI line pos.–velo. diagram



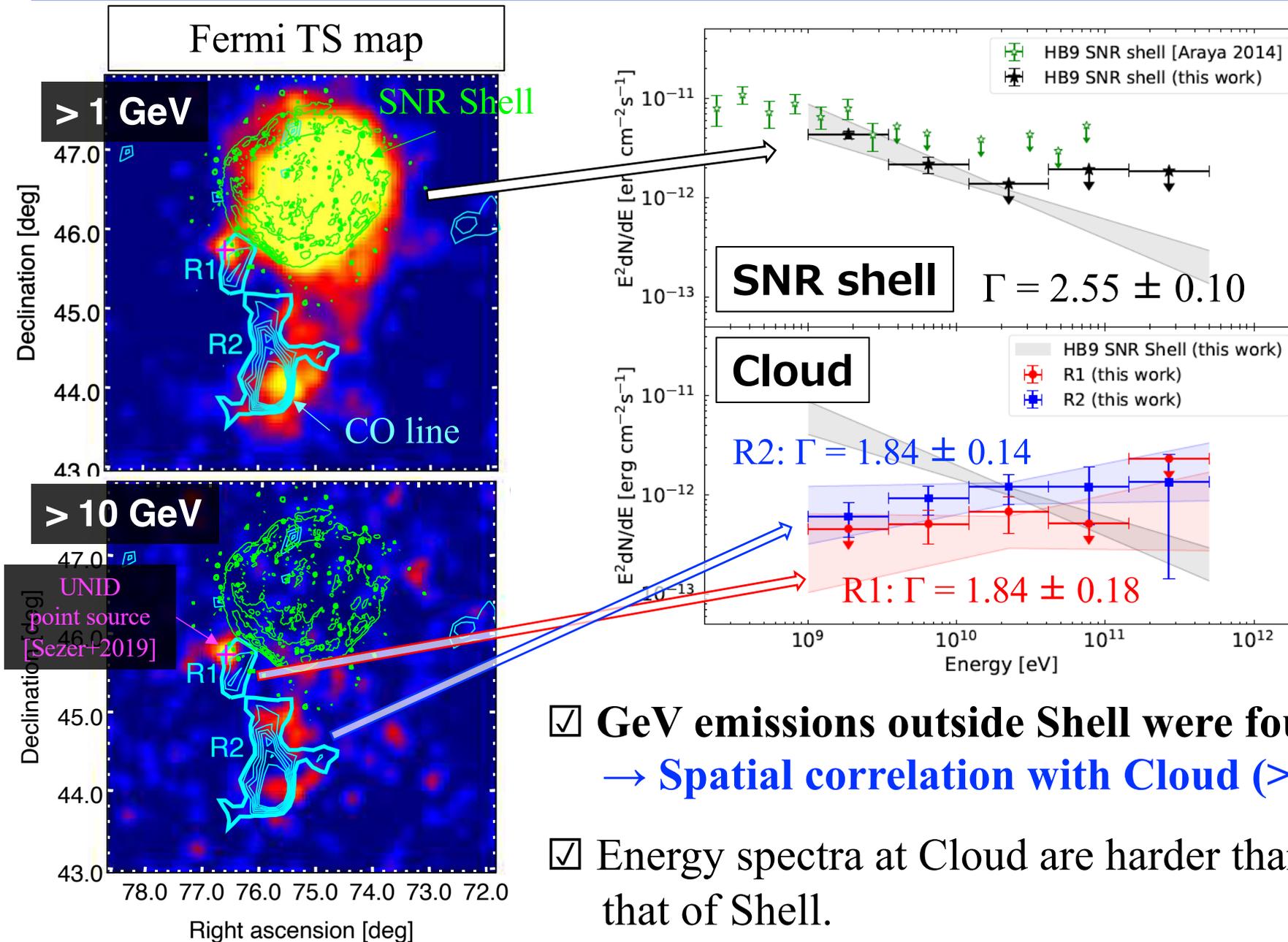
¹²CO (J=1-0) map



No γ -ray detection at the CO cloud regions

[This work] Analyze the 12-yr *Fermi*-LAT data

12-yr *Fermi*-LAT data analysis



- ☑ GeV emissions outside Shell were found.
→ Spatial correlation with Cloud ($> 6\sigma$)
- ☑ Energy spectra at Cloud are harder than that of Shell.

Model of “delayed” γ -ray emission

- ☑ Solve CR distribution escaping from SNR by the diffusion equation with 1D spherical symmetry [Gabici+2007, 2009, Ohira+ 2011]

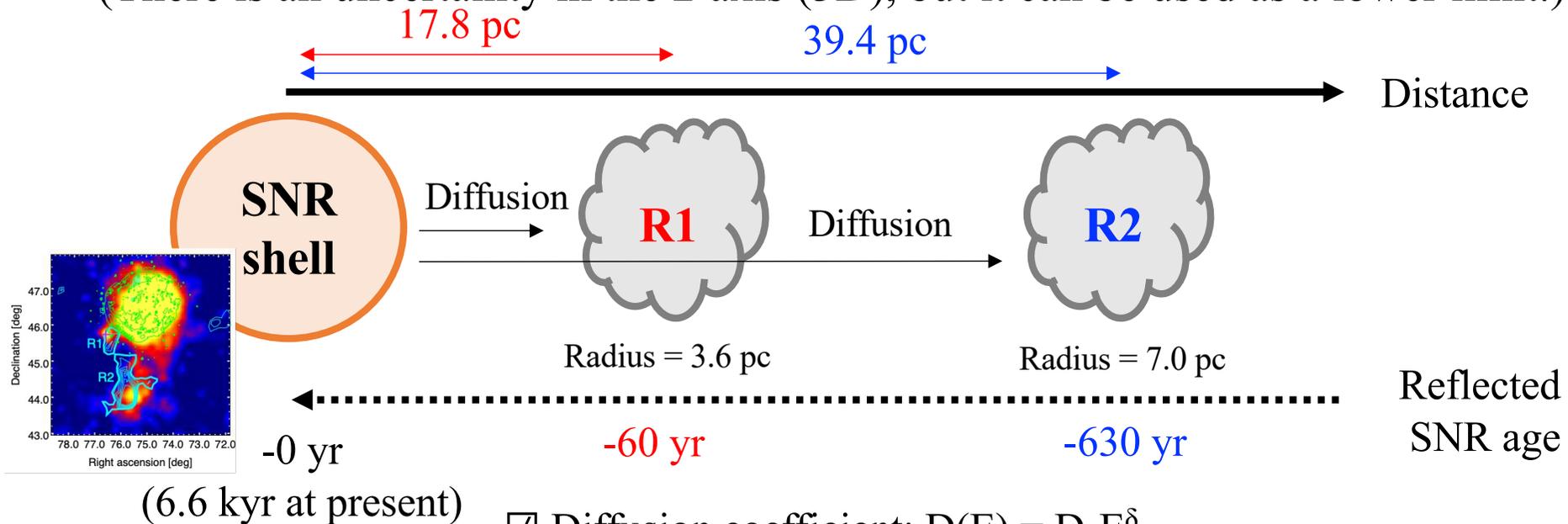
$$\frac{\partial f_{p,\text{out}}}{\partial t}(t, r, E) - D_{\text{ISM}}(E) \Delta f_{p,\text{out}}(t, r, E) = q_{p,s}(t, r, E), \quad (3)$$

- ☑ Maximum energy of injected CRs varies as a power-law function of age:

E_{now} is estimated with the observation data (300 GeV).

$$E_{\text{esc}}(t) = E_{\text{max}} \left(\frac{t}{t_{\text{Sedov}}} \right)^{-\alpha},$$

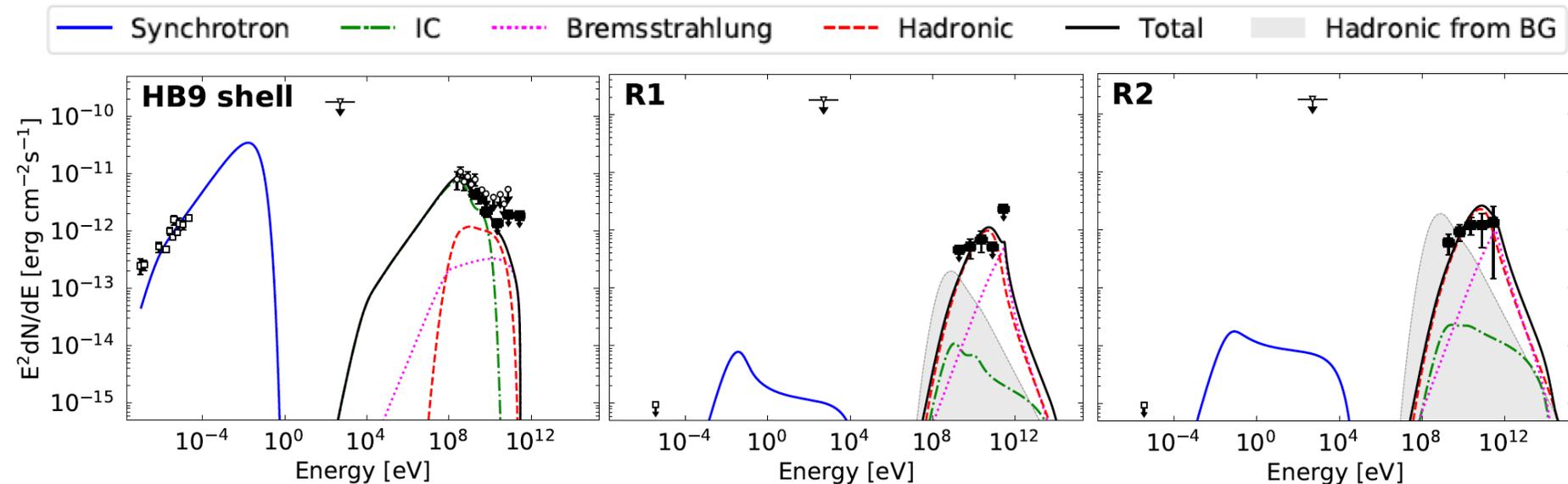
- ☑ Distance b/w SNR & Cloud: adopt the 2D distance obtained from radio data (There is an uncertainty in the z-axis (3D), but it can be used as a lower limit.)



- ☑ Diffusion coefficient: $D(E) = D_0 E^\delta$

Modelling result with delayed γ rays

Both spectra of Shell & Cloud can be reproduced simultaneously.



Shell: **Synchrotron** ($B=8 \mu\text{G}$)
+ **IC** (CMB + dust)

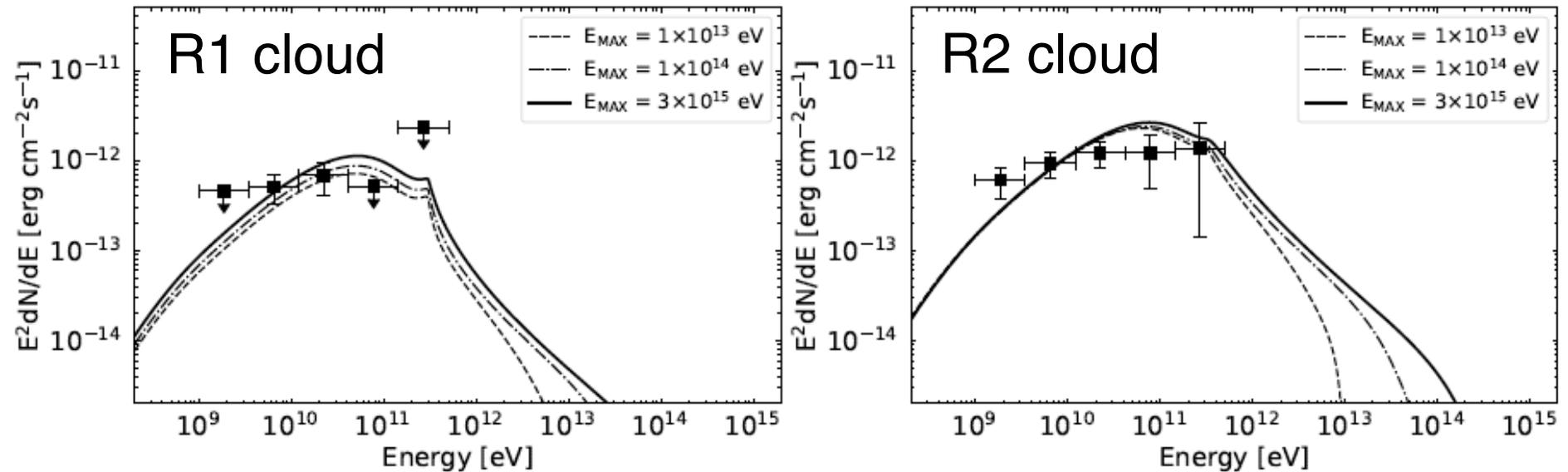
Cloud: **π^0 decay** (+ electron Brems)
($n_{\text{gas}} = 150 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ for R1, 200 cm^{-3} for R2)

Model parameters

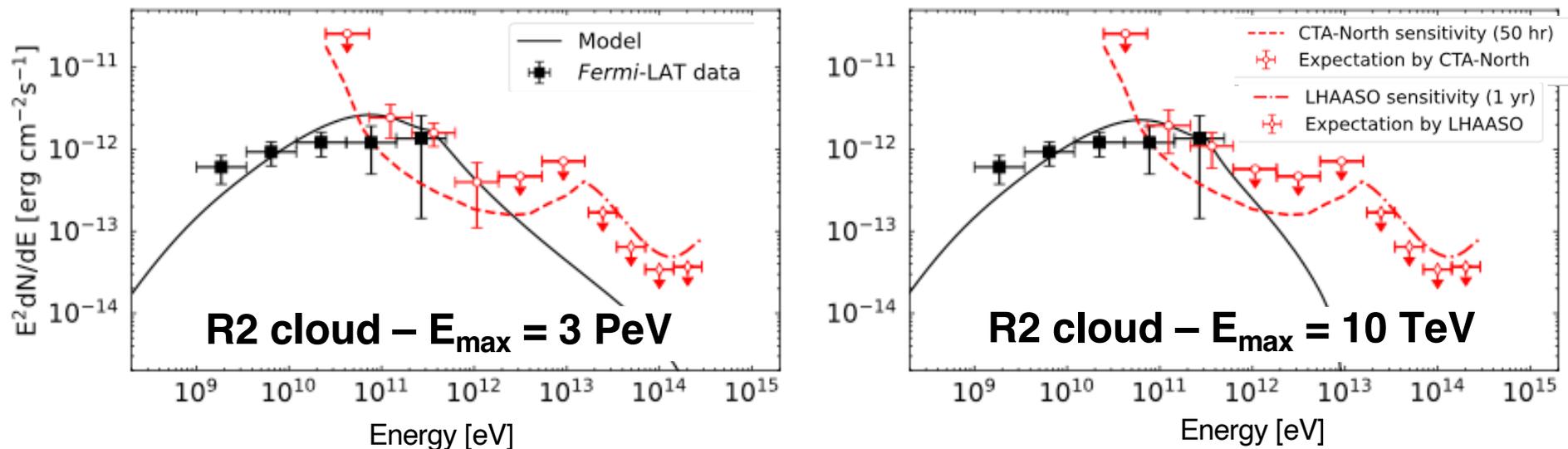
- Total energy of the supernova explosion: $E_{\text{SN}} = 0.3 \times 10^{51}$ erg [Leahy+2007]
- ISM density: $n_{\text{ISM}} = 0.06 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ [Leahy+2007]
- Electron-to-proton ratio: $K_{\text{ep}} = 2\%$
- $D(E) = D_0 E^\delta = 3 \times 10^{28} (E/10 \text{ GeV})^{1/3} \text{ cm}^2/\text{s} \sim$ Galactic mean
- **$E_{\text{now}} = 300 \text{ GeV}$ at the current shell & $E_{\text{max}} = 3 \text{ PeV}$ at entering Sedov phase**

Model dependency on $E_{\text{max}} @ t_{\text{Sedov}}$

E_{max} : 3 PeV, 100 TeV, 10 TeV \rightarrow lower limit \gtrsim 10 TeV

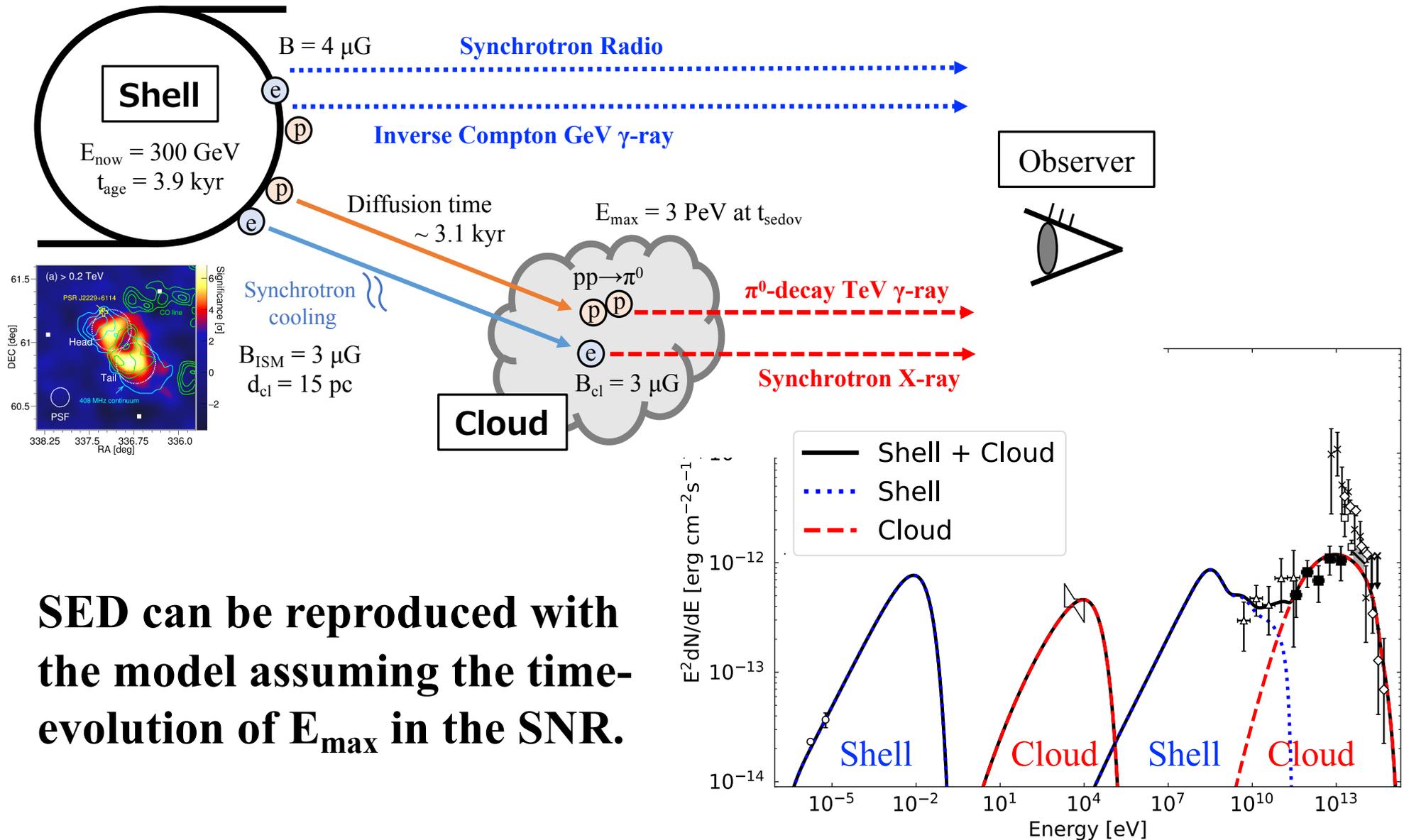


☑ We need TeV-PeV observations to determine the model parameter.



Delayed γ -ray model for G106.3+2.7–Tail

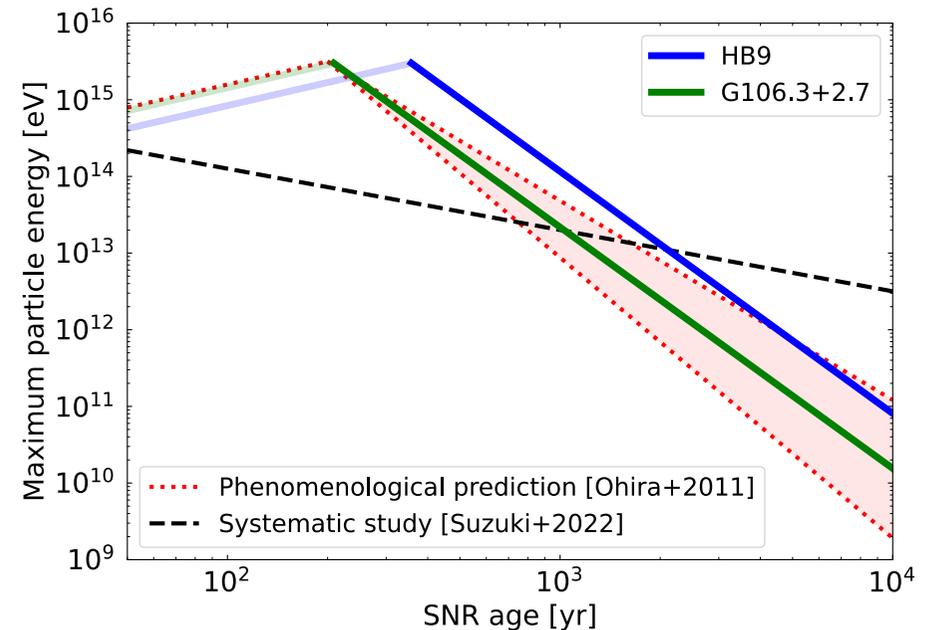
Apply to the SED of MAGIC–Tail region with 2-zone (Shell + Cloud) model



Comparison of obtained model parameters

| | HB9 | G106.3+2.7 – Tail |
|---|--|--|
| Explosion energy (E_{SN}) | 3.0×10^{50} erg | 1.0×10^{50} erg |
| Maximum CR energy at t_{sedov} | 3 PeV (> 10 TeV) | 3 PeV (500 TeV–5 PeV) |
| Temporal decay index of $E_{\text{max}} \propto t_{\text{age}}^{-\alpha}$ | 3.2 | 3.2 |
| Age of SNR | 6600 yr | 3900 yr |
| Diffusion coefficient at 10 GeV | 3×10^{28} cm ² s ⁻¹ | 2×10^{26} cm ² s ⁻¹ |

- ☑ Both allow acceleration up to PeV.
- ☑ Temporal decay index in this work is consistent with the phenomenological prediction ($\alpha = 2.6 - 3.7$; Ohira+2011).
- ☑ Diffusion coefficient varies by two orders of magnitude.



CR luminosity

Calculate the amount of PeV protons escaped from SNRs

→ Convert to Luminosity by multiplying SN rate = 0.03 yr^{-1} [e.g., Tamman+1994]

$$N_{\text{esc}}(E) = \begin{cases} \frac{\eta(2-p_{\text{esc}})E_{\text{SN}}}{E_{\text{now}}^2} \times \left[\left(\frac{E_{\text{max}}}{E_{\text{now}}} \right)^{2-p_{\text{esc}}} - 1 \right]^{-1} \times \left(\frac{E}{E_{\text{now}}} \right)^{-p_{\text{esc}}} & p_{\text{esc}} \neq 2 \\ \frac{\eta E_{\text{SN}}}{\ln(E_{\text{max}}/E_{\text{now}})} E^{-2} & p_{\text{esc}} = 2 \end{cases}$$

$$L_{\text{SNR}} \sim N_{\text{esc}}(E) \times E^2 \times (\text{SN rate}).$$

☑ Compare with the CR luminosity measured at Earth (L_{CR}) [e.g., Dermer 1986]

| Name | $L_{\text{SNR}}(10 \text{ TeV})$ [erg s ⁻¹] | $L_{\text{SNR}}/L_{\text{CR}}$ at 10 TeV | $L_{\text{SNR}}(1 \text{ PeV})$ [erg s ⁻¹] | $L_{\text{SNR}}/L_{\text{CR}}$ at 1 PeV |
|------------|--|---|---|--|
| HB9 | 2.88×10^{39} | 1.08 | 4.56×10^{38} | 0.54 |
| G106.3+2.7 | 1.03×10^{39} | 0.39 | 1.03×10^{39} | 1.22 |

☑ **Luminosity of protons escaped from SNRs (L_{SNR}) agrees with CR measurements at Earth (L_{CR}) within a factor of 3.
→ SNR paradigm for PeV CR origin is supported well.**

Conclusion

Q. Why we can't find SNR PeVatron?

Reason 1: Hidden in 100-TeV γ -ray sources where its origin is unclear.



Precise γ -ray observations of SNR G106.3+2.7 with the MAGIC telescopes strongly suggest proton acceleration up to PeV in the SNR.

[MAGIC Collab.: H. Abe, TO et al., A&A in press, arXiv: 2211.15321]

Reason 2: E_{\max} in SNRs depends on its age. PeV CRs are produced only by young SNRs ($t_{\text{age}} < 1$ kyr). Observation opportunities for SNR PeVatron are few.



We newly proposed the measurement method for the time-evolution of E_{\max} .

First successful application to the real observation data (HB9)

[TO and W. Ishizaki., 2022, PASJ, arXiv: 2203.03240]

Luminosity of runaway protons from SNRs (calculated with obtained model, e.g., temporal decay index ~ 3) agrees with CR observations at Earth.

A. We can interpret with the time-evolution scenario for SNRs.

SNR paradigm for CR origin is supported well

CTA and LHAASO/ALPACA observations will provide a robust conclusion.