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YOURS TO DISCOVER



INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF
ASTRONOMY
2009





S^oz^{mo} Prince.

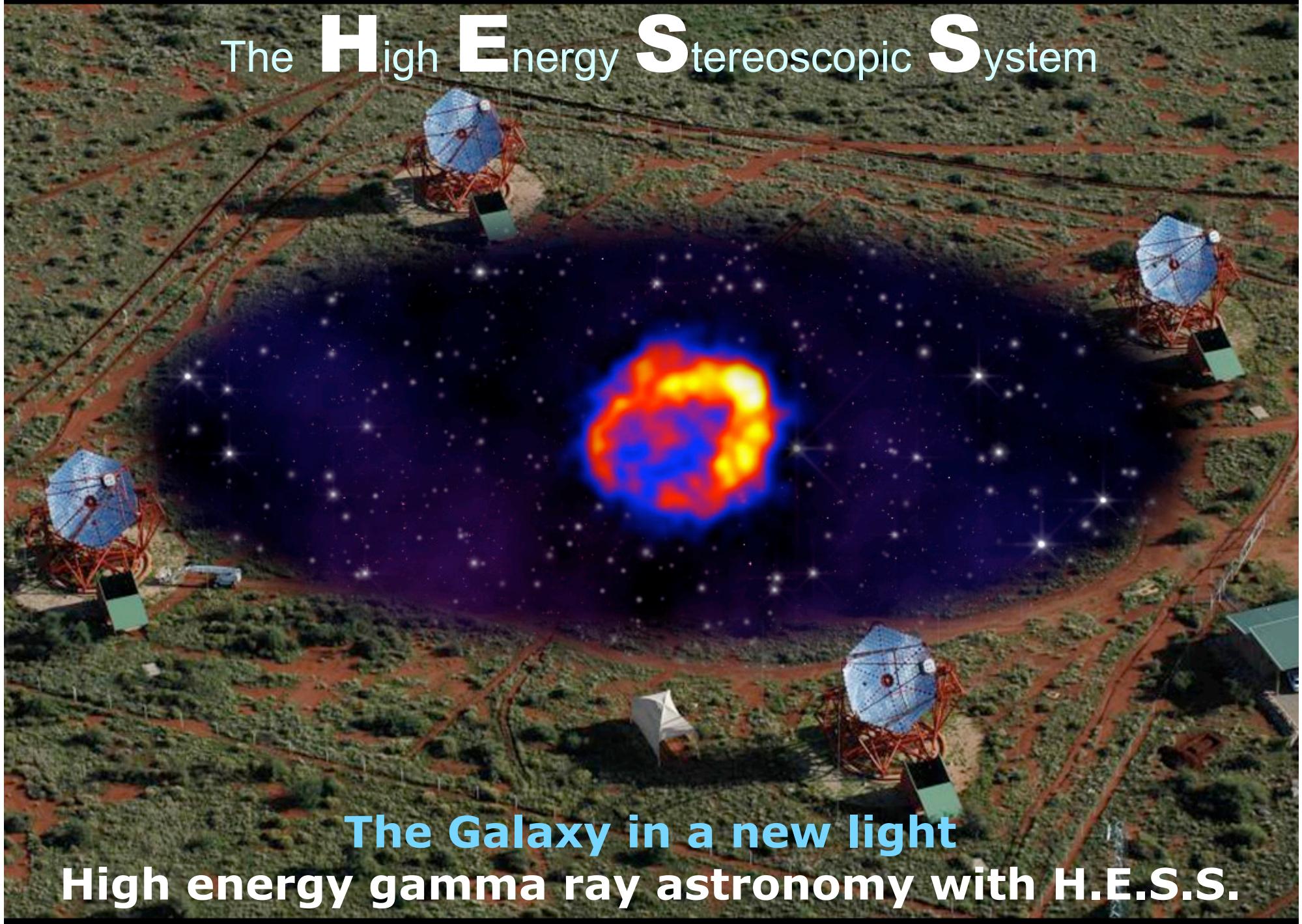
Cinque Dovere determinato di presentare al Ser^{uo} Principe
l'Ordine et i governi di governi incalzabile f^e ogni
regione et in area marittima o terrestre siano di tenere quel-
lo nuovo artificio nel maggior segreto et sempre a disposizione
di L^o Sir L^o Duke quale causa delle più n^o dite speculazioni di
prosperità n^a l'vantaggio di suscire leggi et Vele dell' inimico
per fare lire et più di tempo prima ch^e gli sappiamo noi et distinguendo
il numero et la qualità dei vesselli giudicare le sue forze
pallottarsi alla caccia et combattimento o alla fuga, o pure andare
nella campagna aperta uider et particolarmente distinguere ogni suo
uoto et imbarcaimento.



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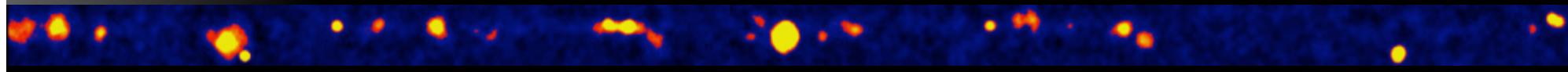
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The Hⁱgh Eⁿergy S^tereoscopic S^ystem

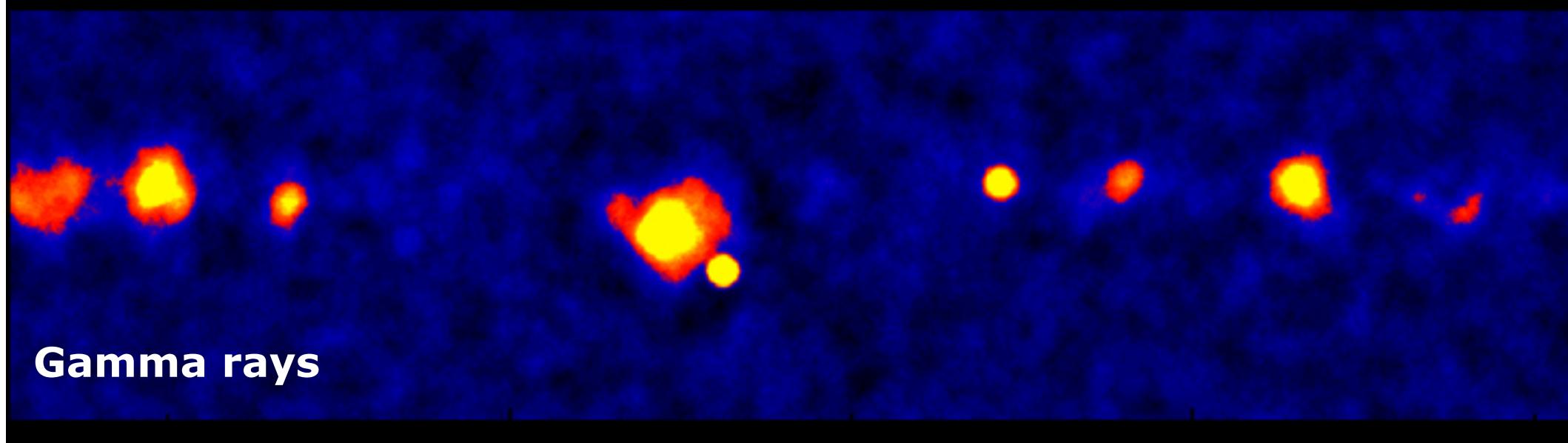


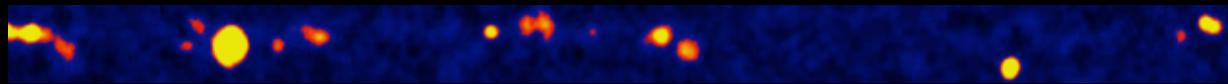
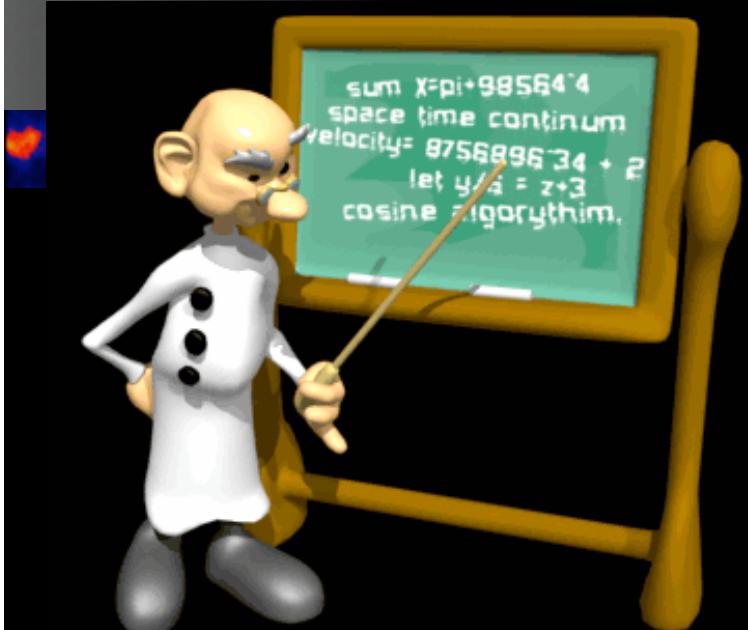
**The Galaxy in a new light
High energy gamma ray astronomy with H.E.S.S.**

The Milky Way



Optical





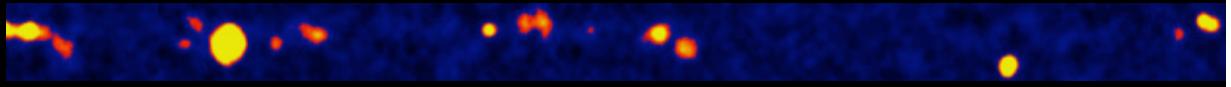
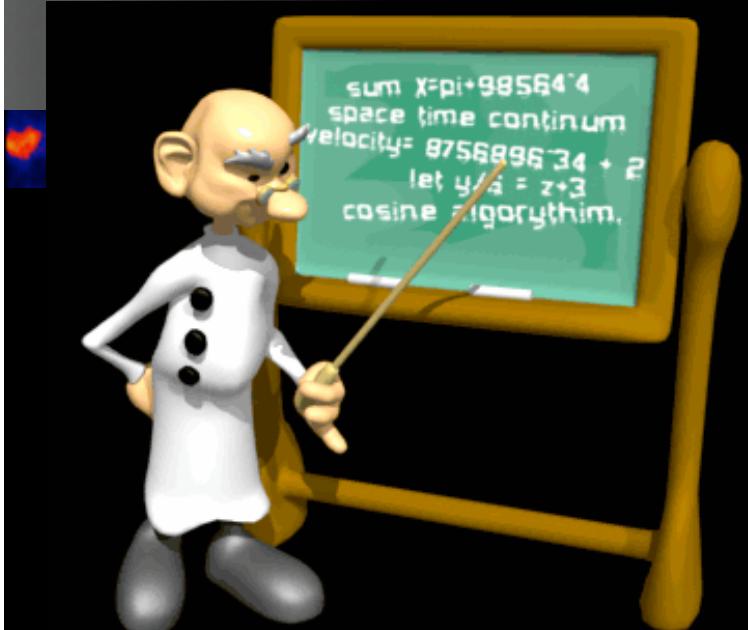
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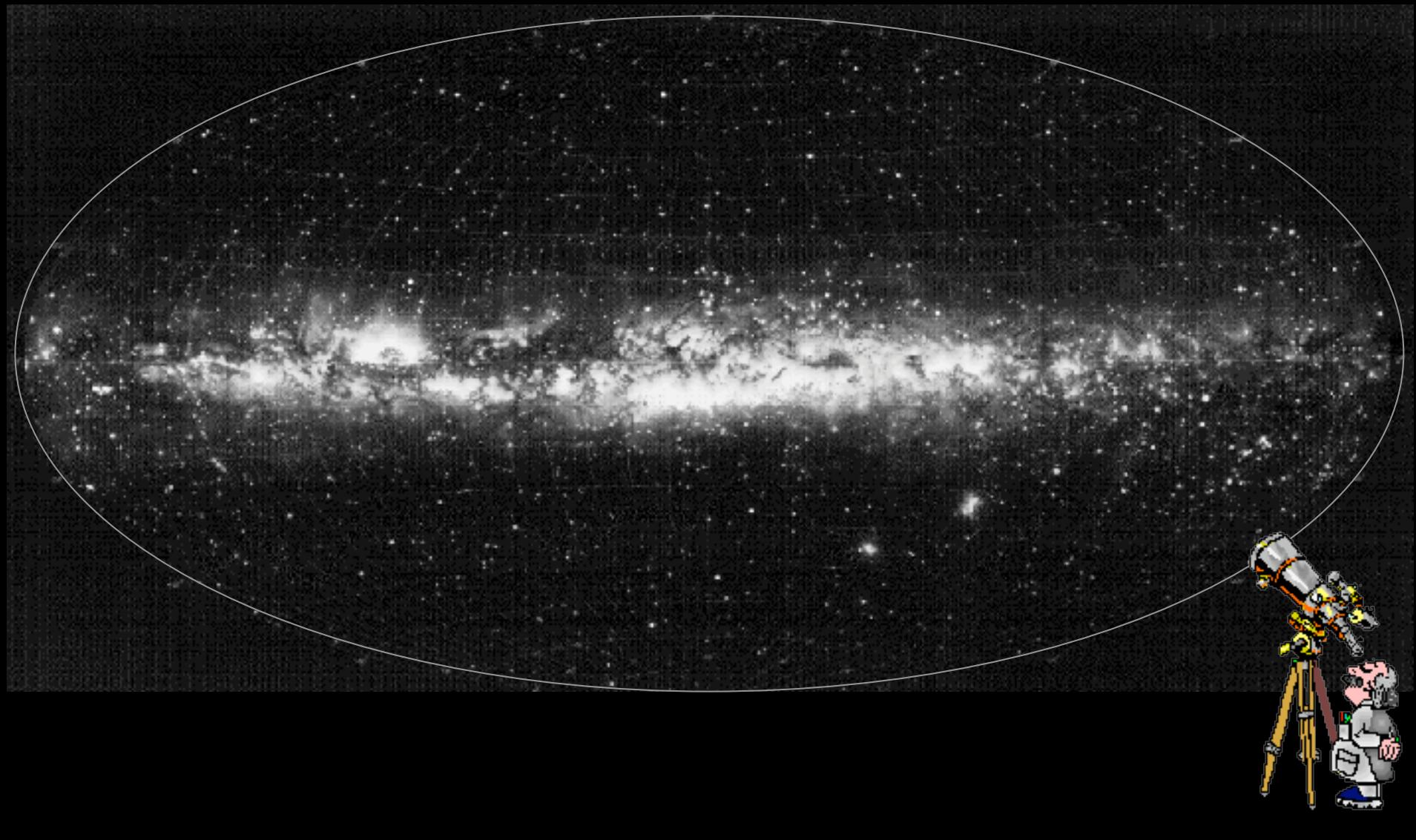
Radio

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(eV)

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Gamma rays





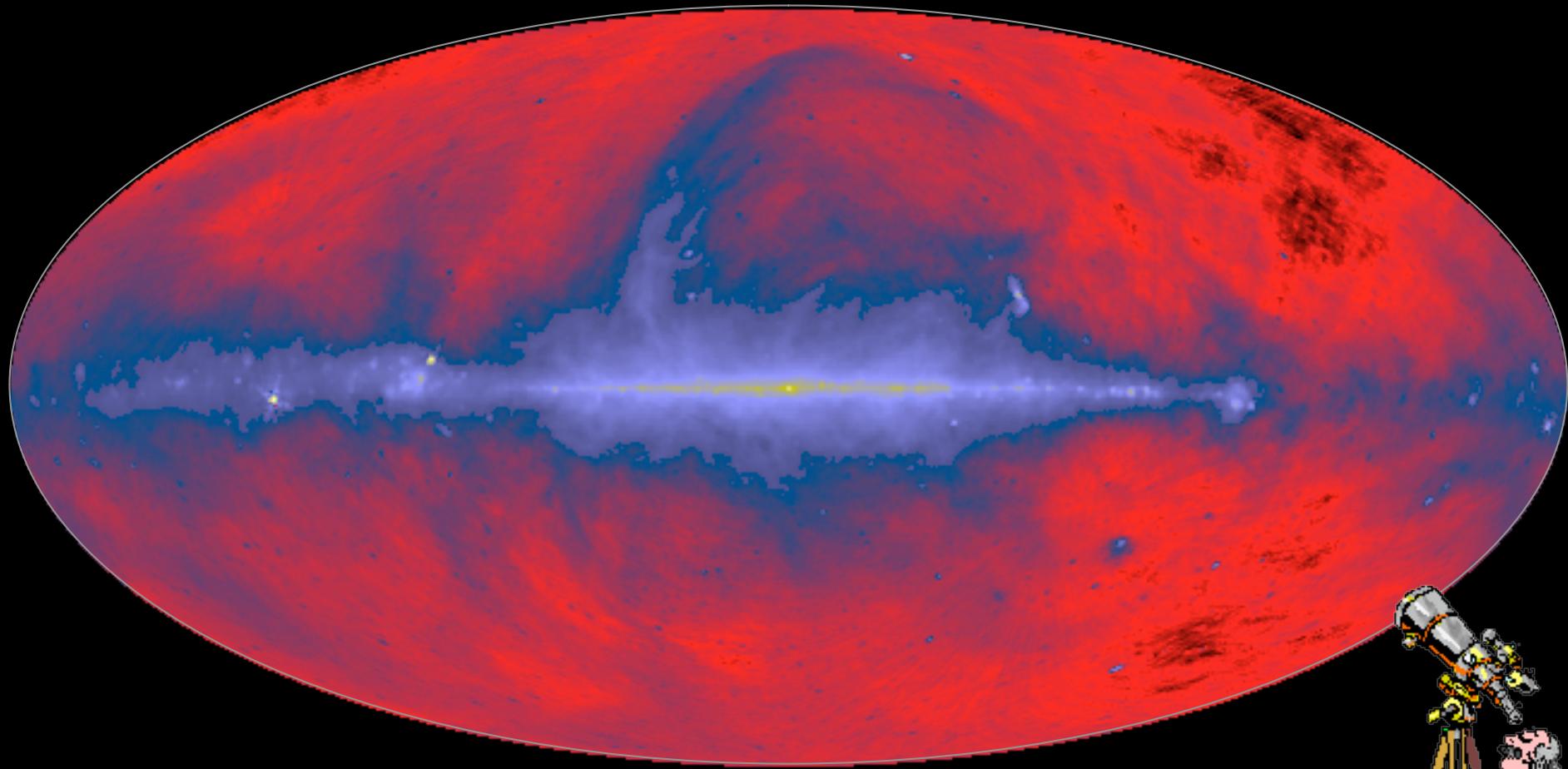
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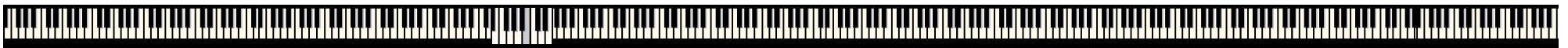
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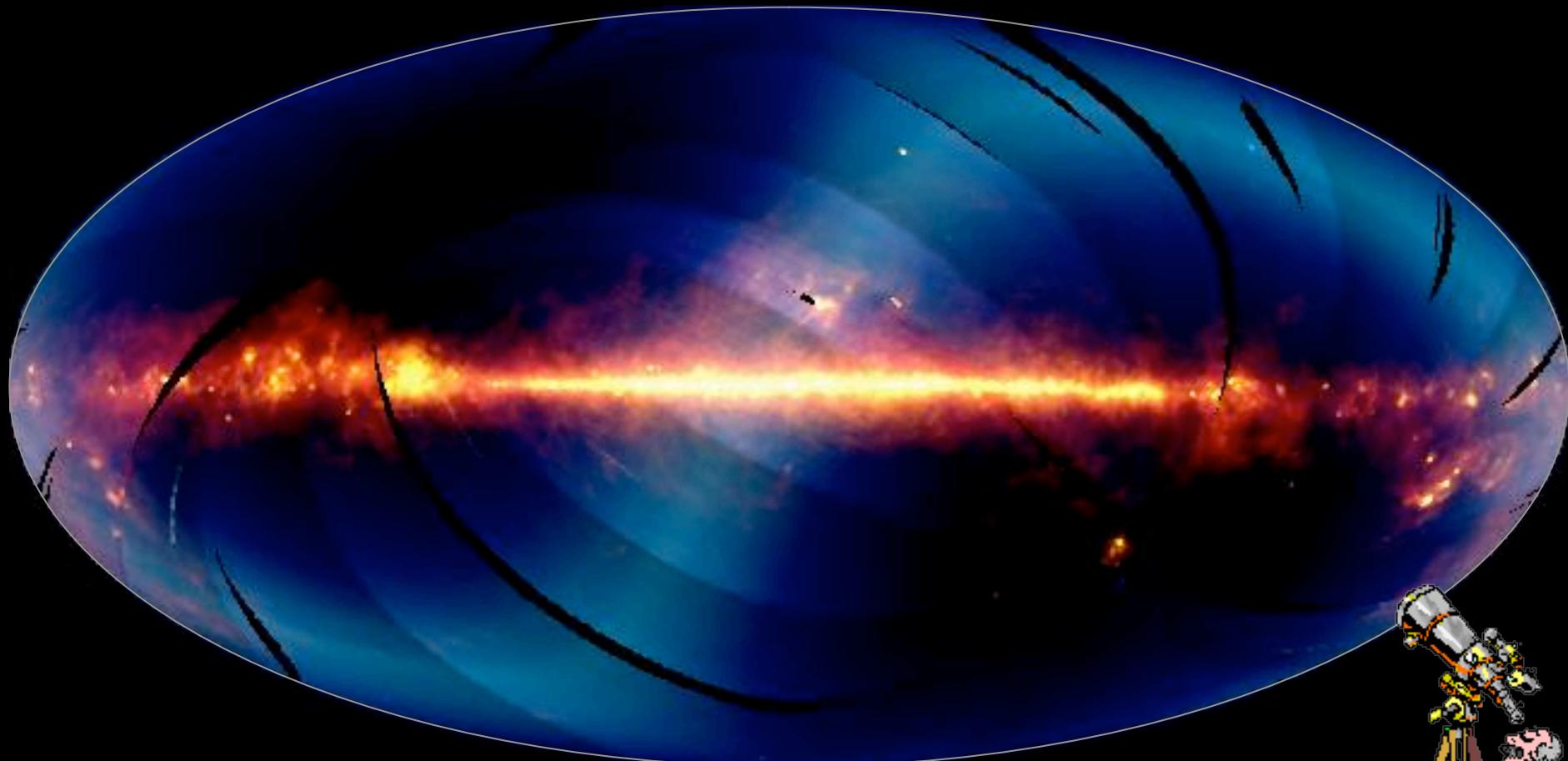
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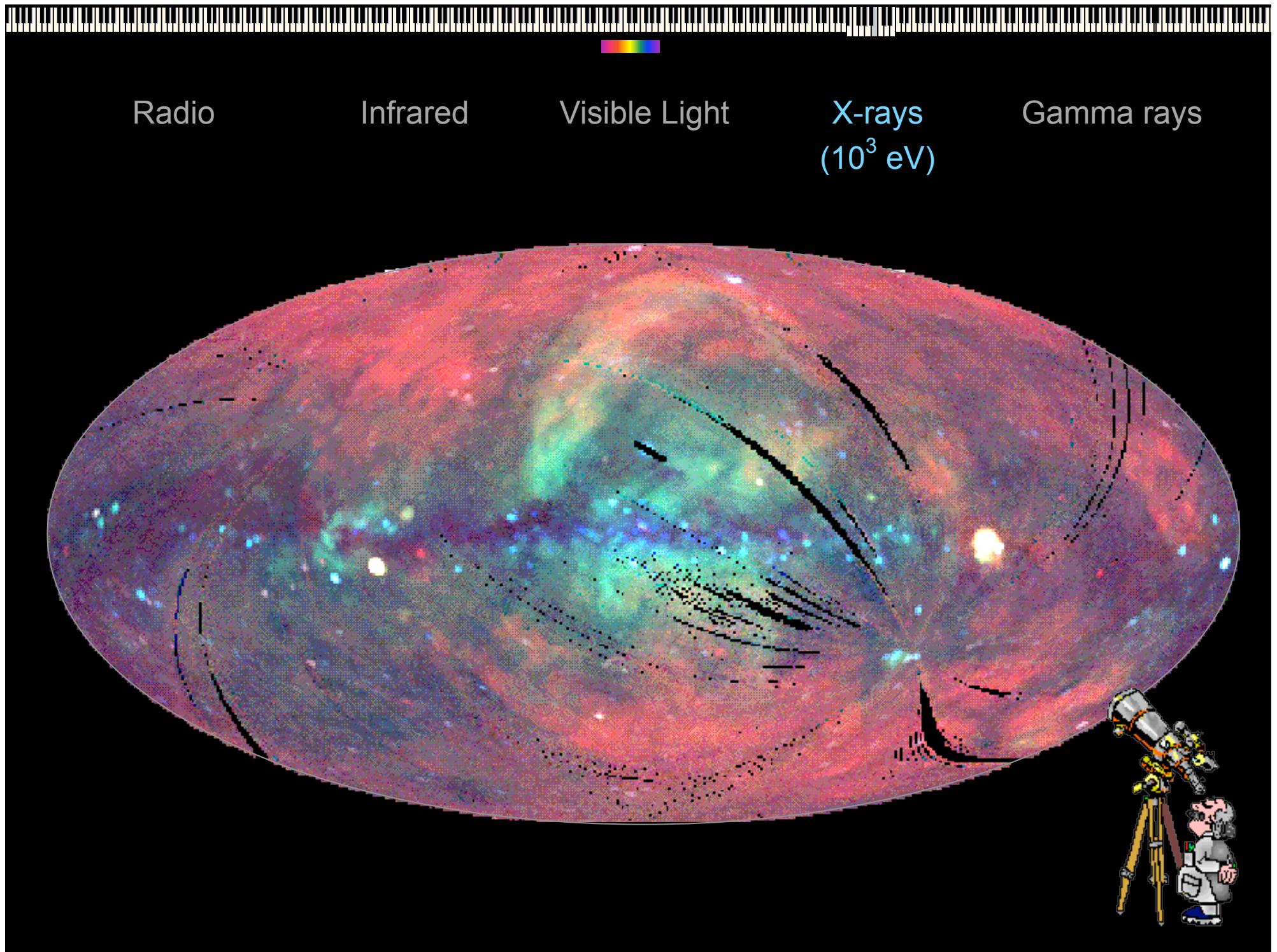
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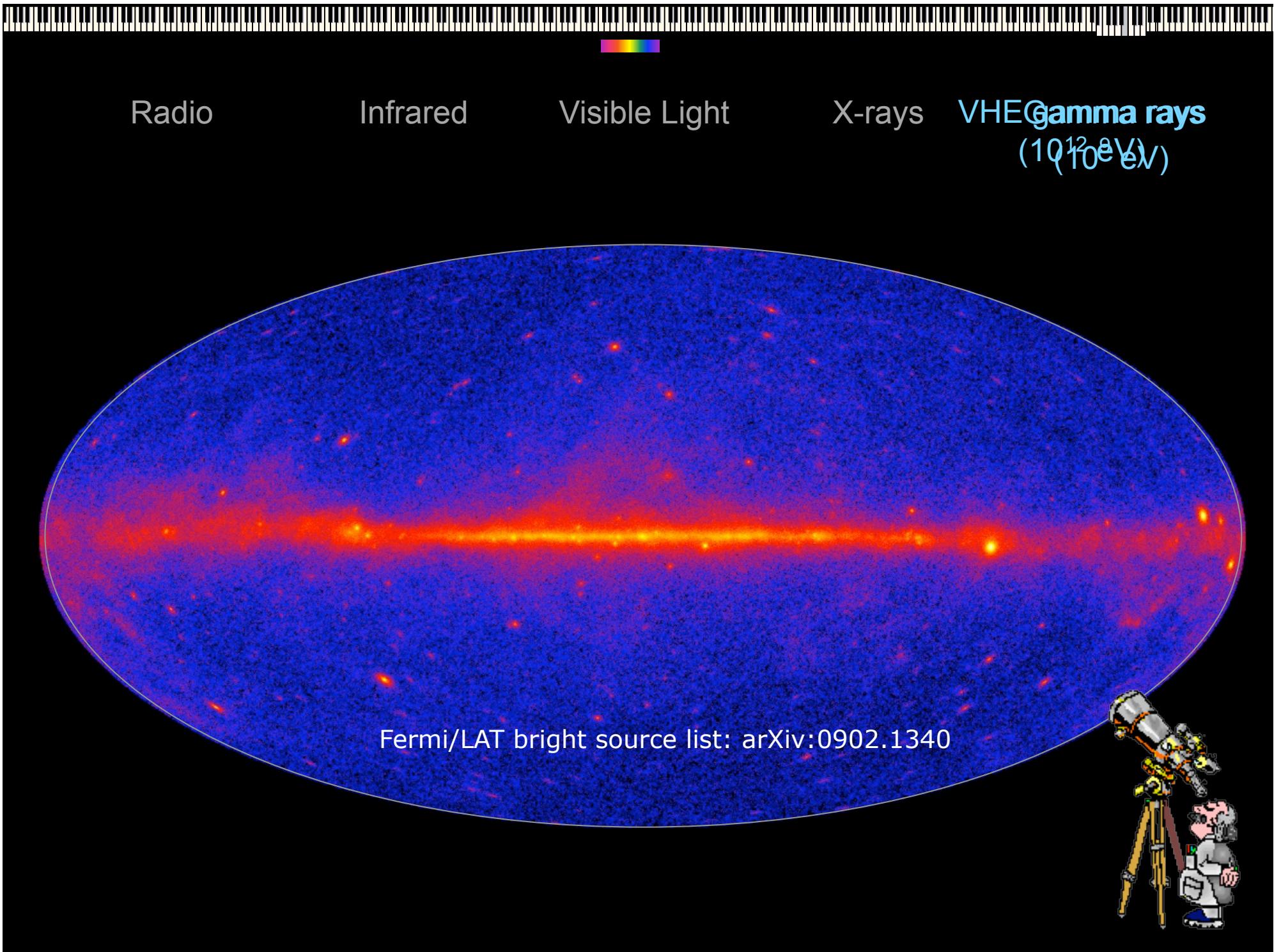
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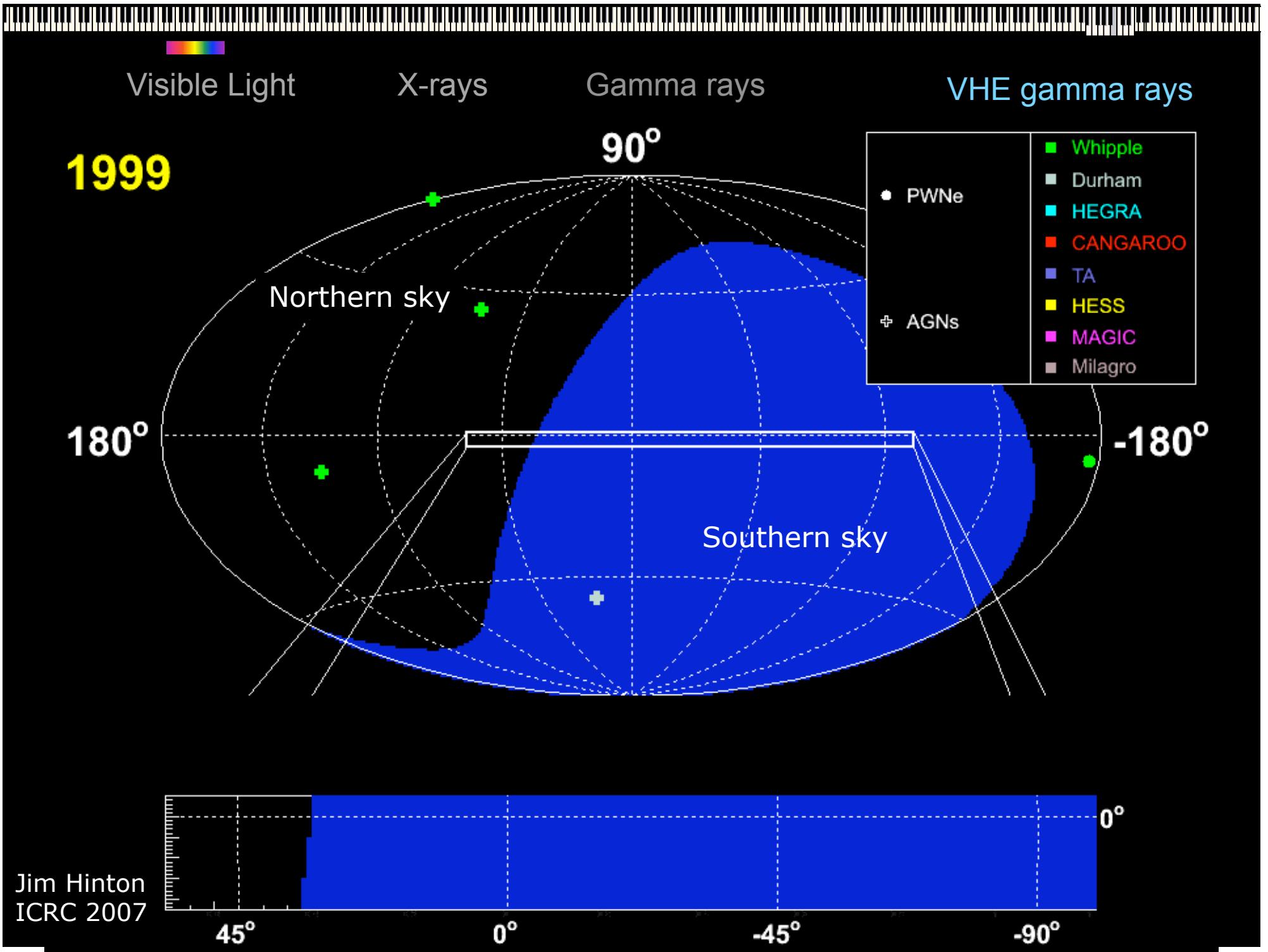
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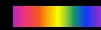
Gamma rays











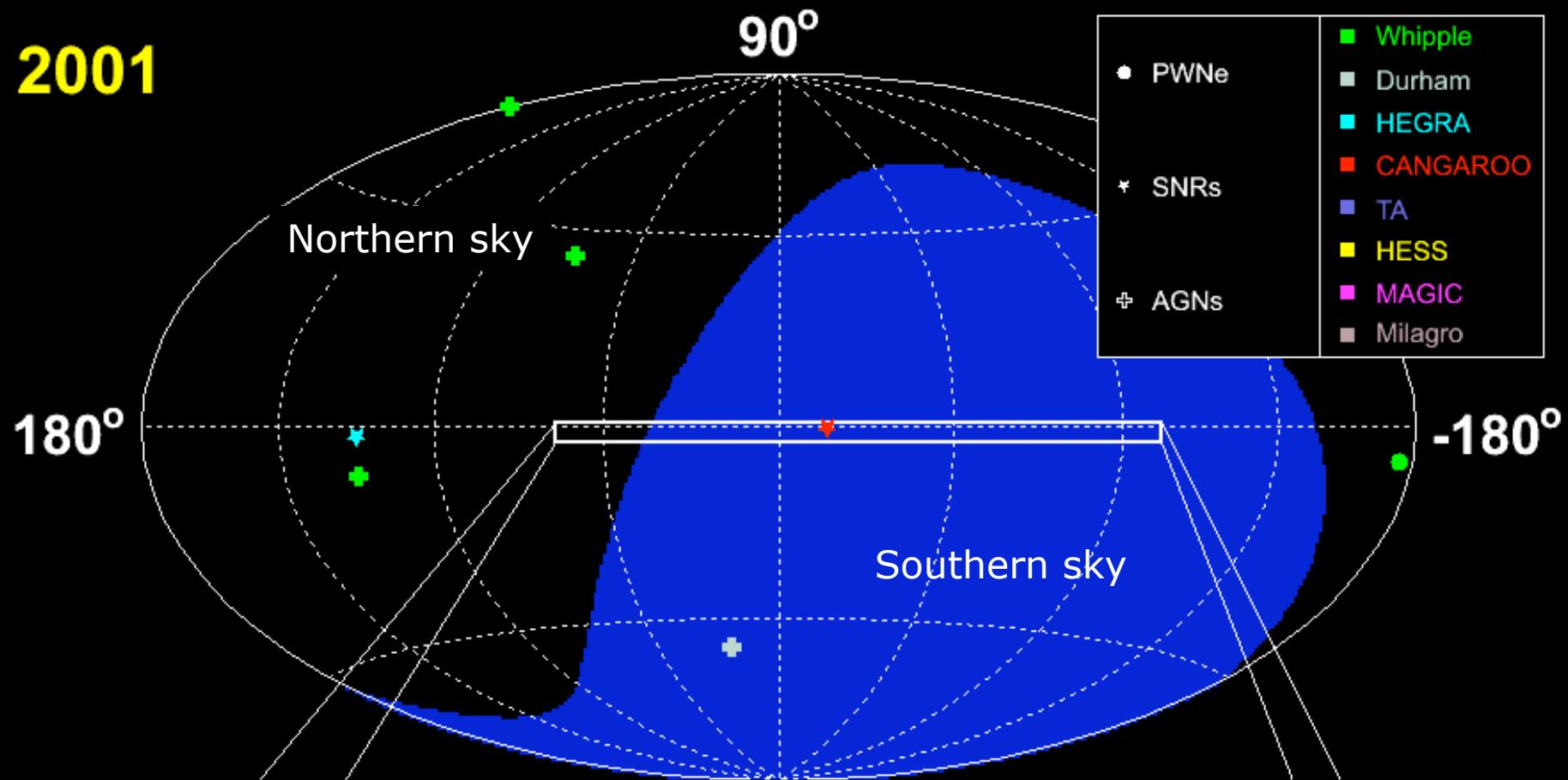
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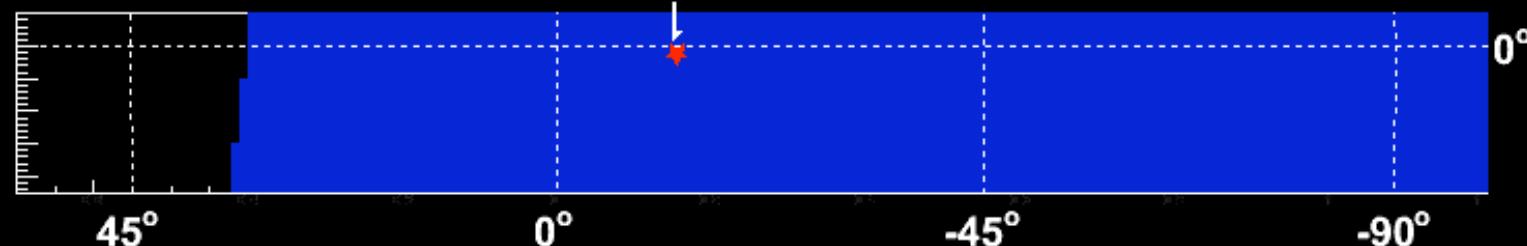
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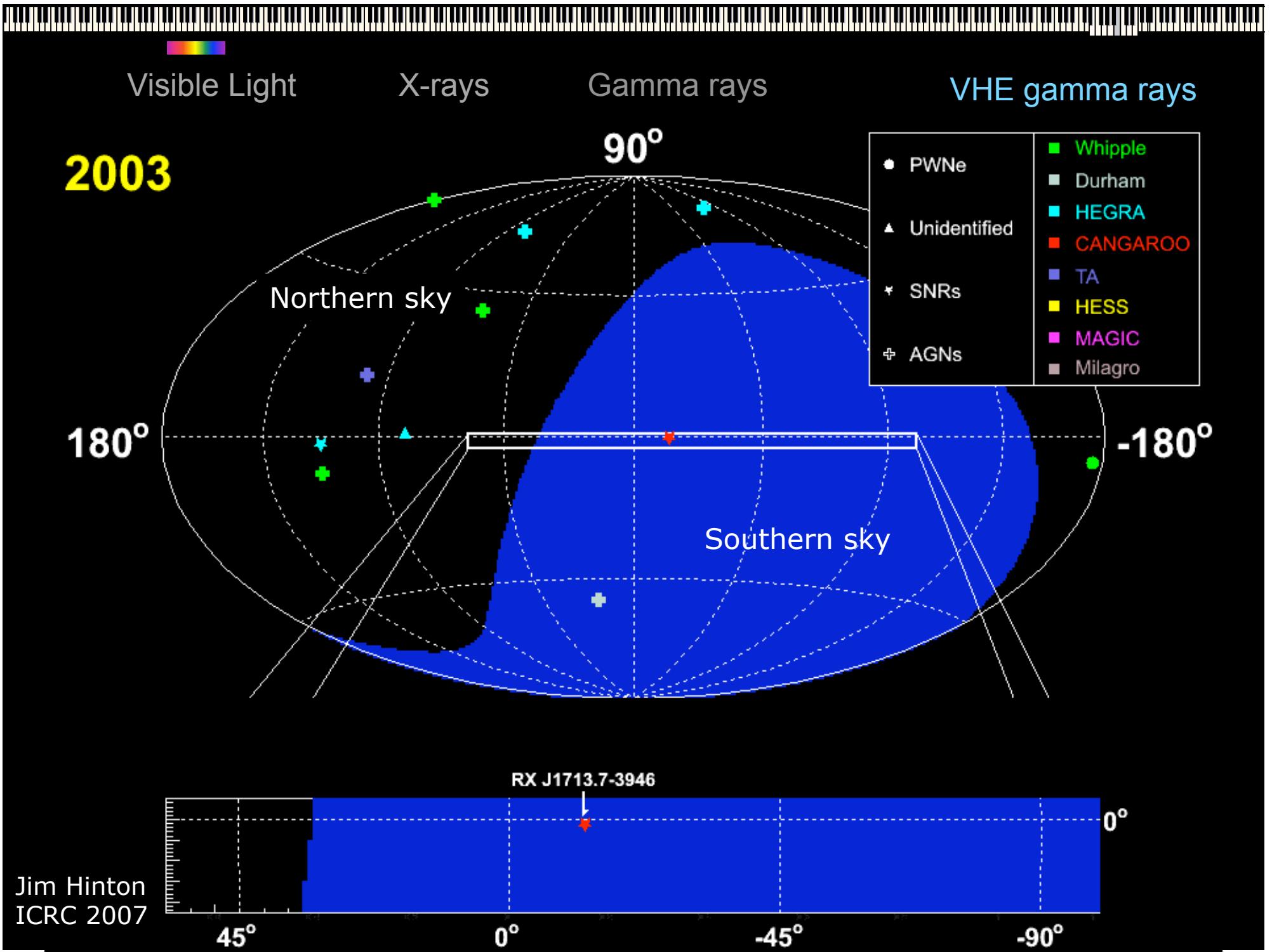
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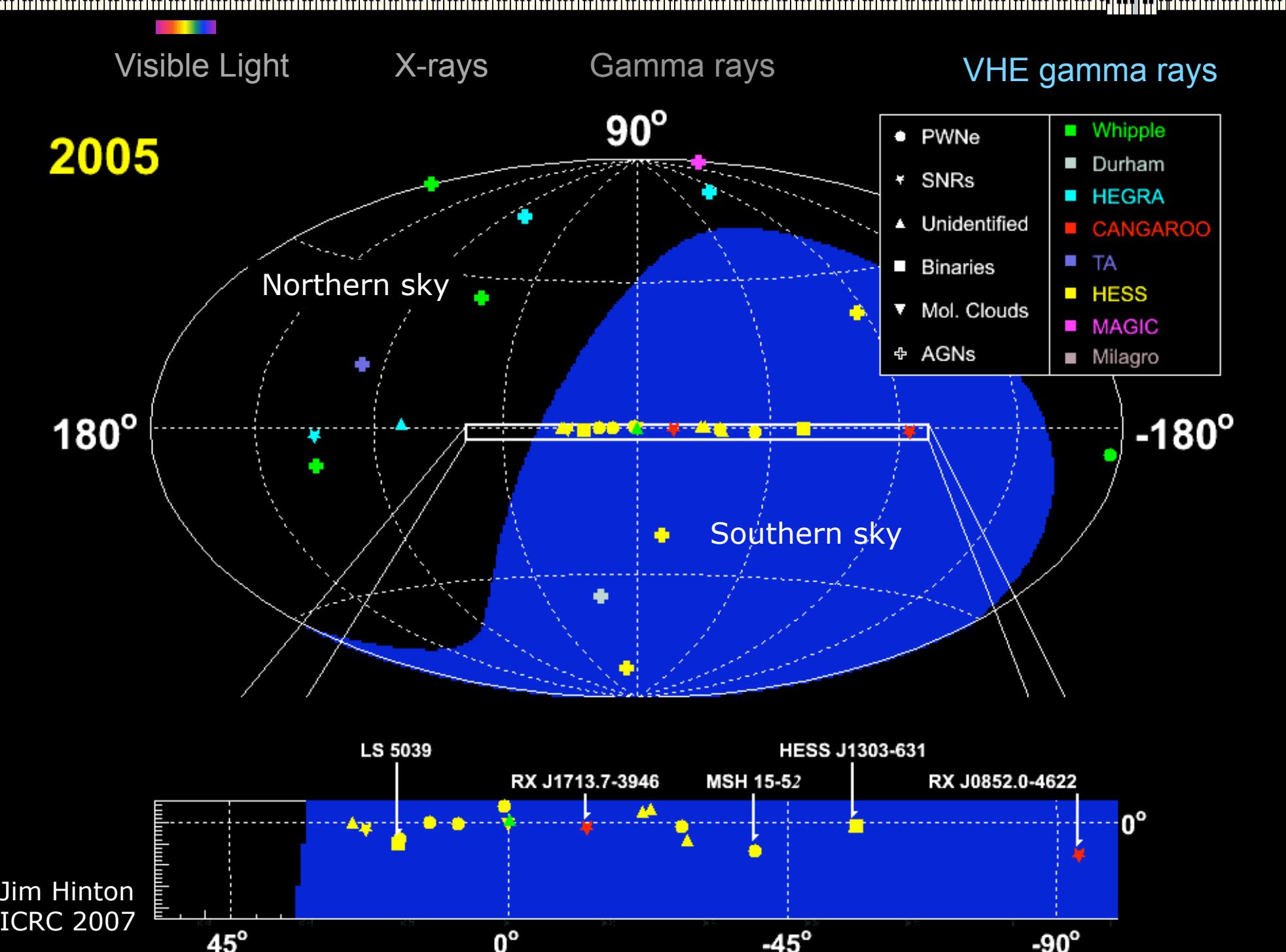
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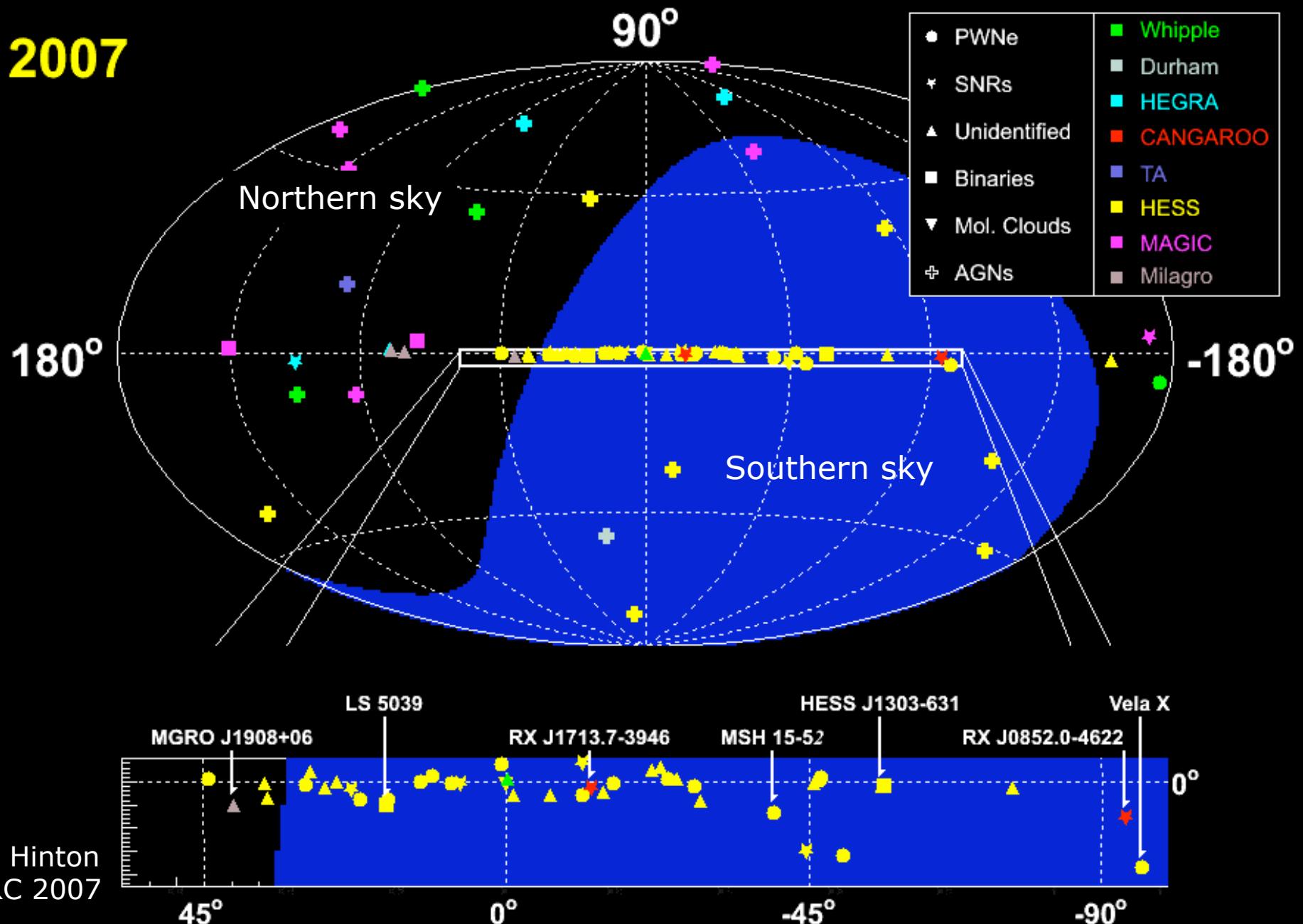
Jim Hinton
ICRC 2007





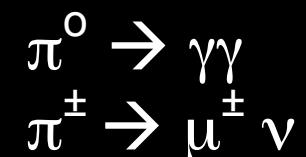
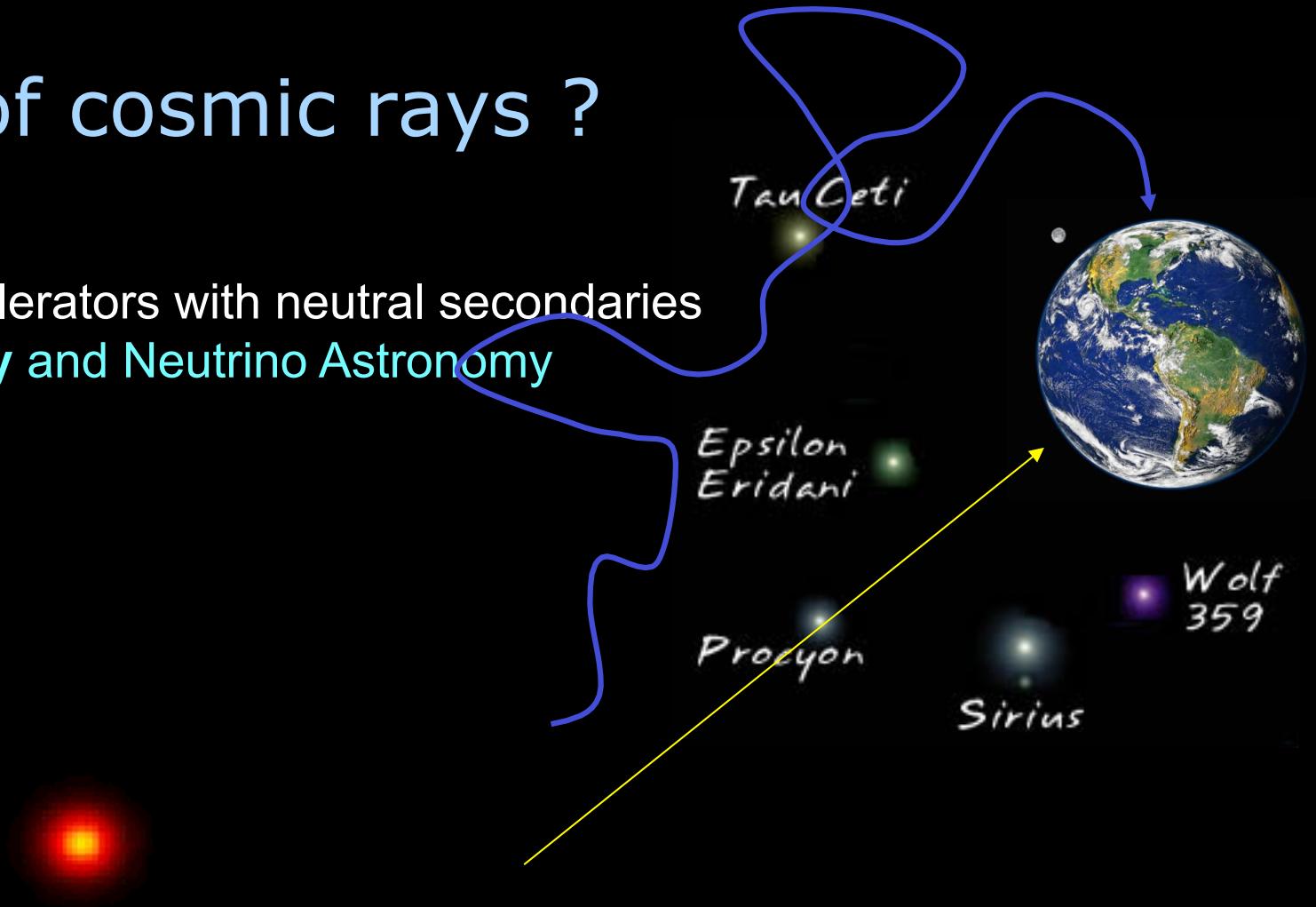
Visible Light X-rays Gamma rays VHE gamma rays

2007



Origin of cosmic rays ?

- Image accelerators with neutral secondaries
- **Gamma-ray and Neutrino Astronomy**



Cosmic rays & the Galaxy



Magnetic fields in the Galaxy are a nuisance ...

... but they couple CRs to gas and
make CRs important for our Galaxy!



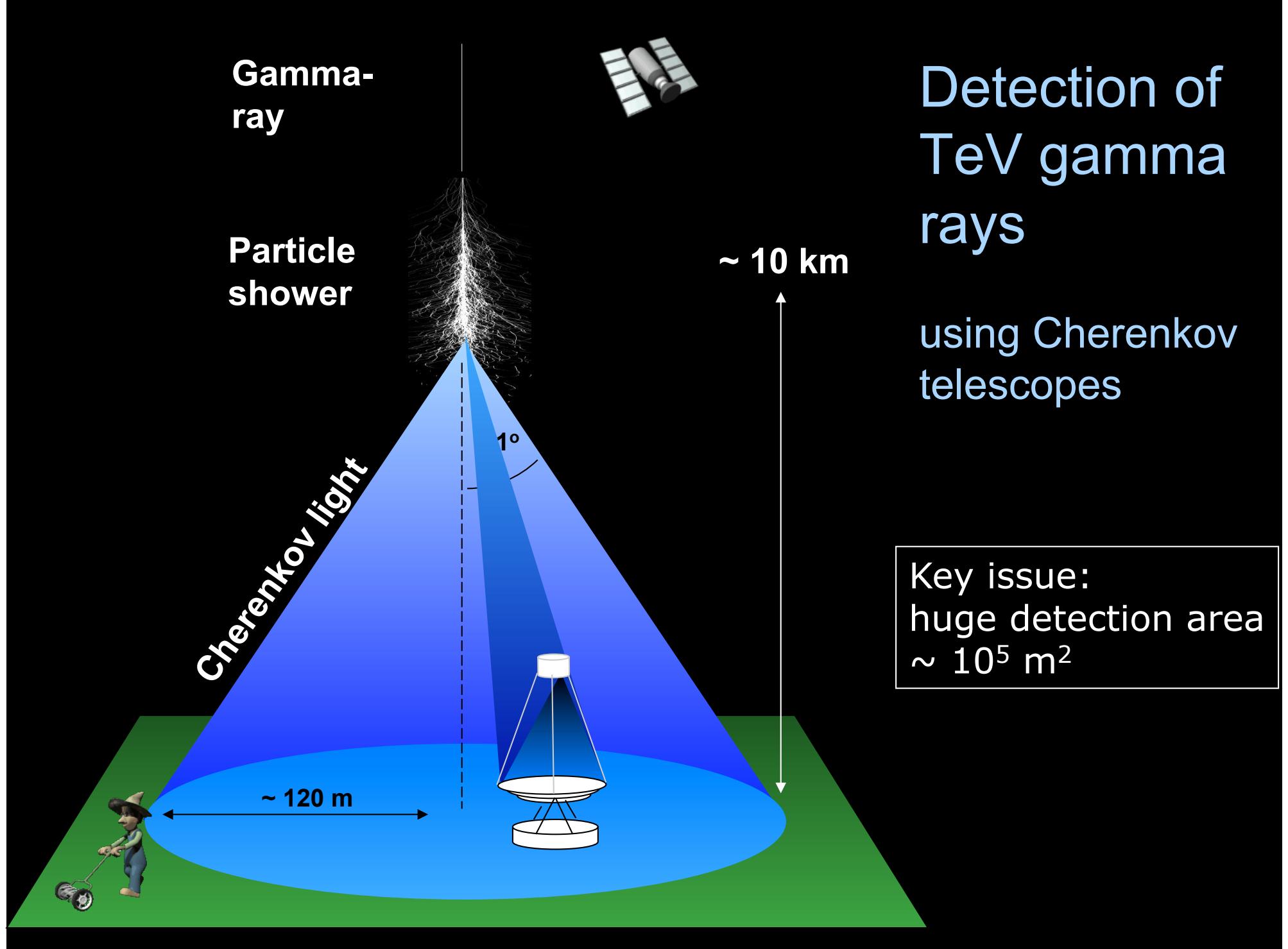
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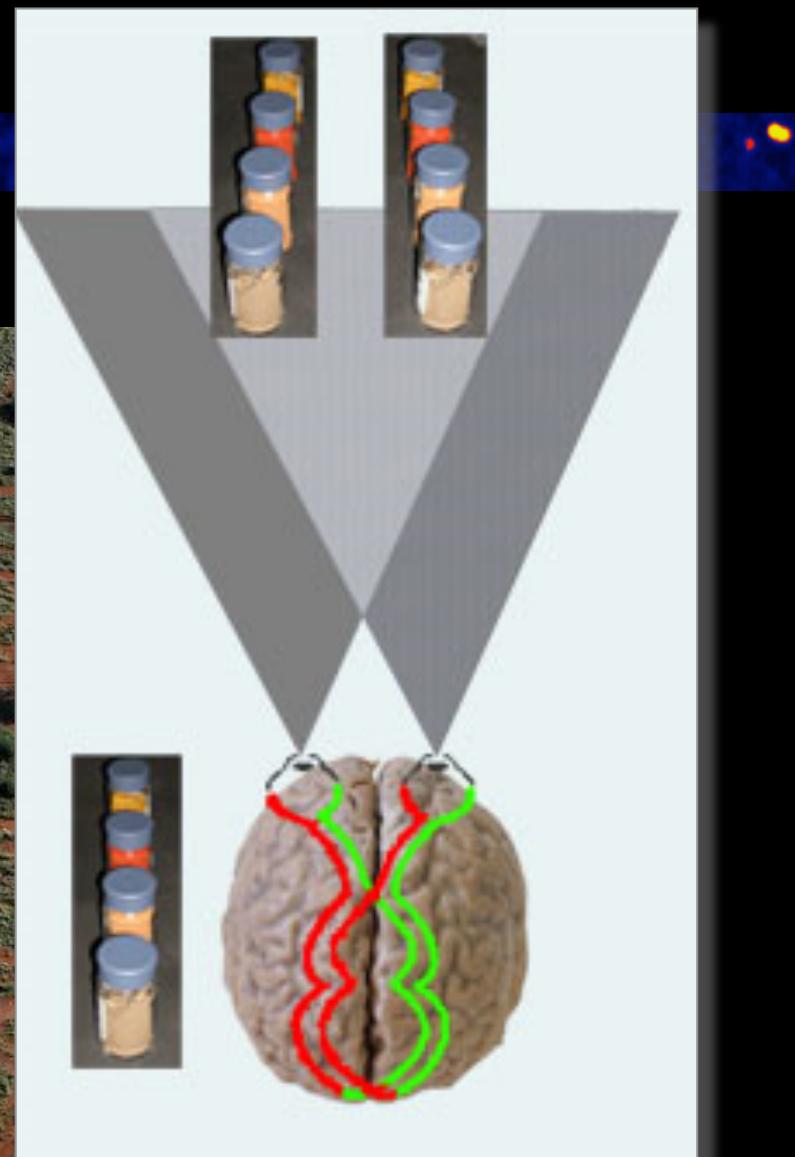
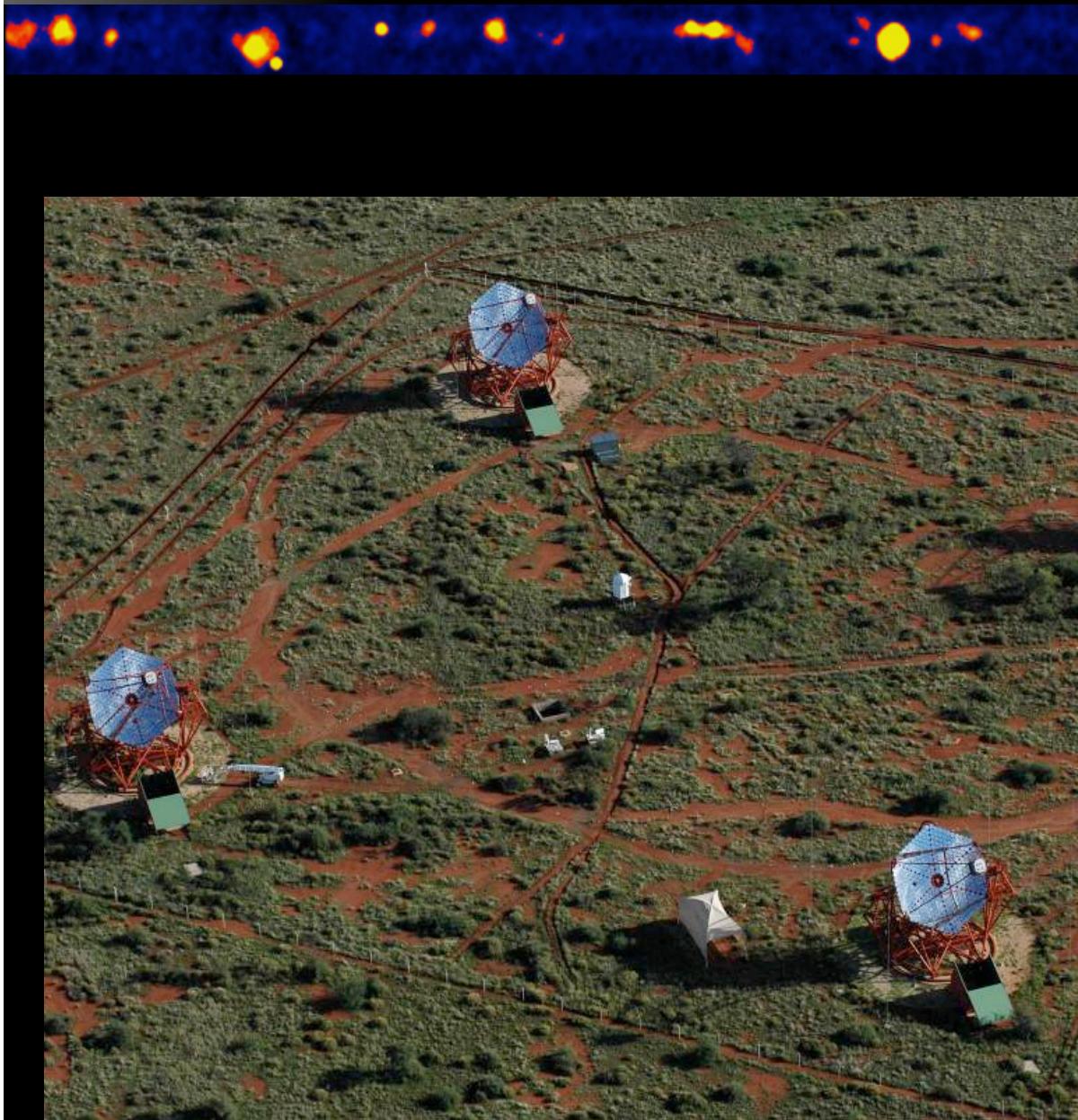


Air showers
look a bit like meteors

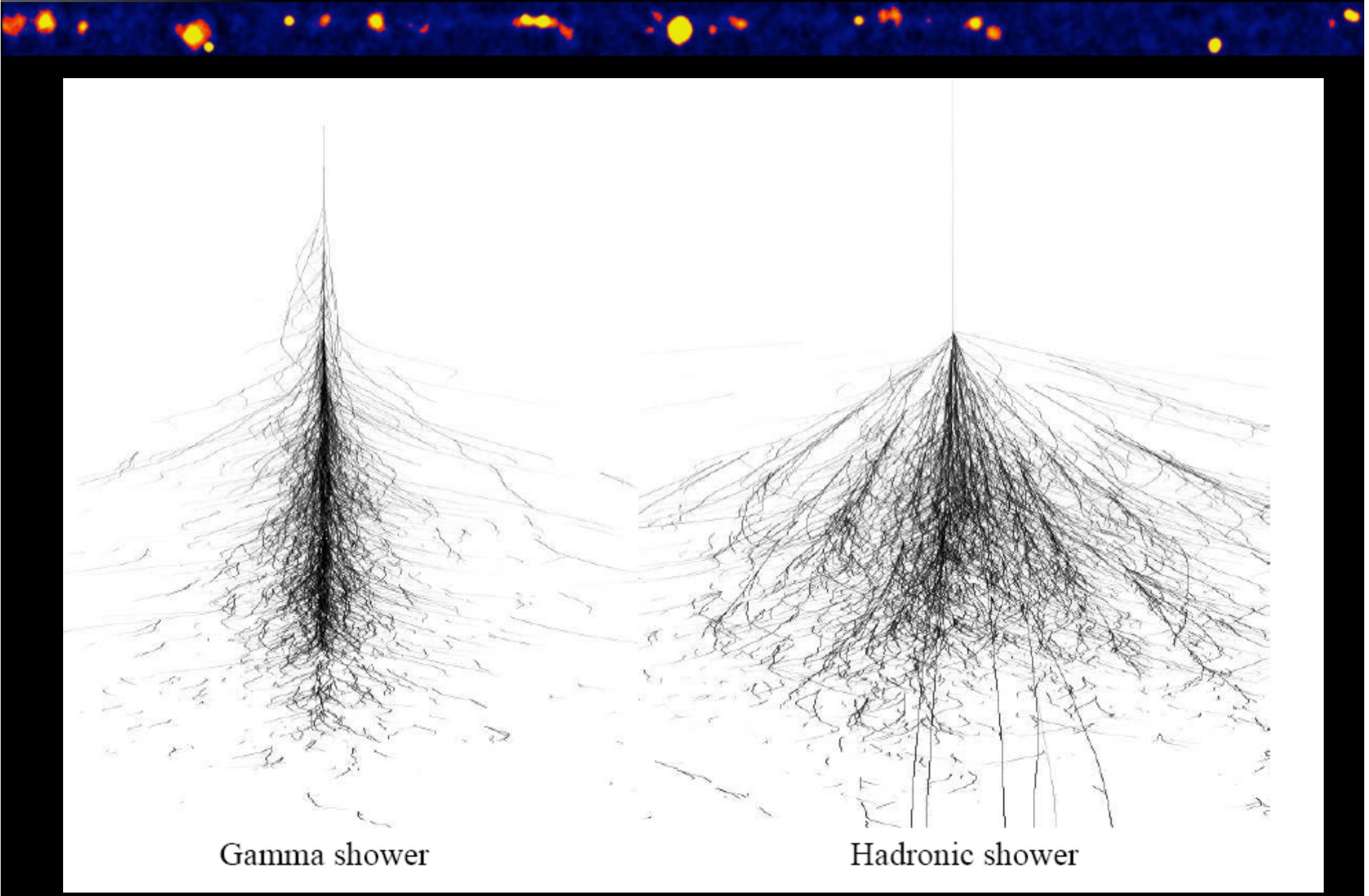


(from Sky & Telescope)

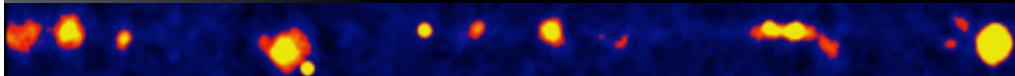
Why four eyes?



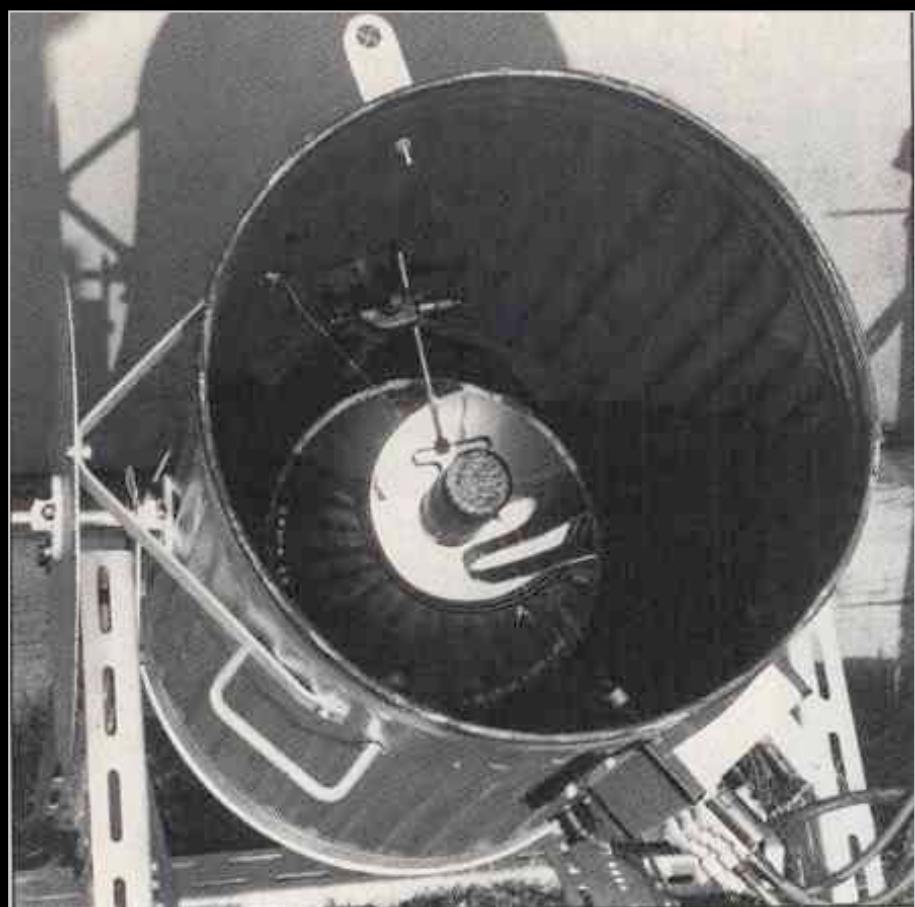
Background rejection



The early days



Source:
T. Weekes



Galbraith and Jelley, 1953

February 21, 1953

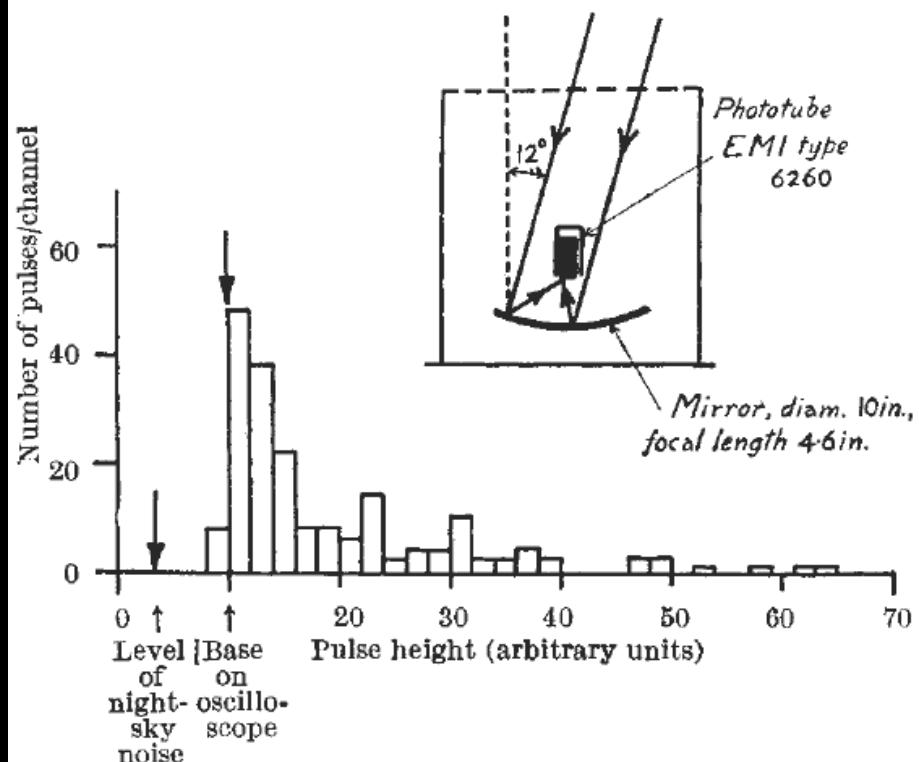
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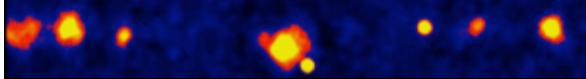
Light Pulses from the Night Sky associated with Cosmic Rays

IN 1948, Blackett¹ suggested that a contribution approximately 10^{-4} of the mean light of the night-sky might be expected from Čerenkov radiation² produced in the atmosphere by the cosmic radiation. The purpose of this communication is to report the results of some preliminary experiments we have made using a photomultiplier, which revealed the

thank Mr. W. J. Whitehouse and Dr. E. Bretscher for their encouragement, and Dr. T. E. Cranshaw for the use of the extensive shower array.

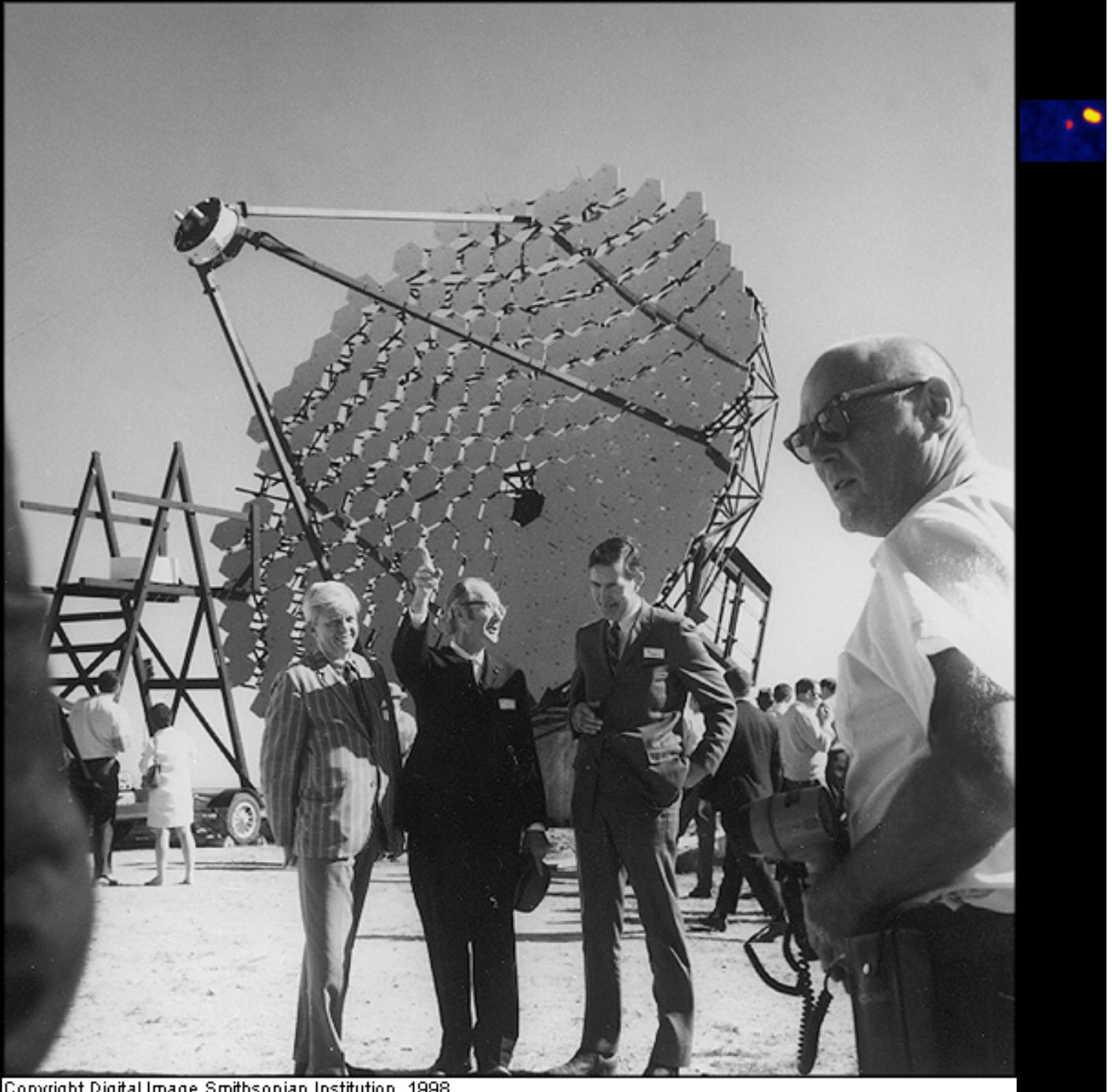
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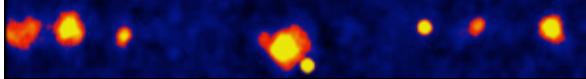


Whipple 1968

Detection of
the Crab Nebula
1989 as first
VHE gamma ray
source

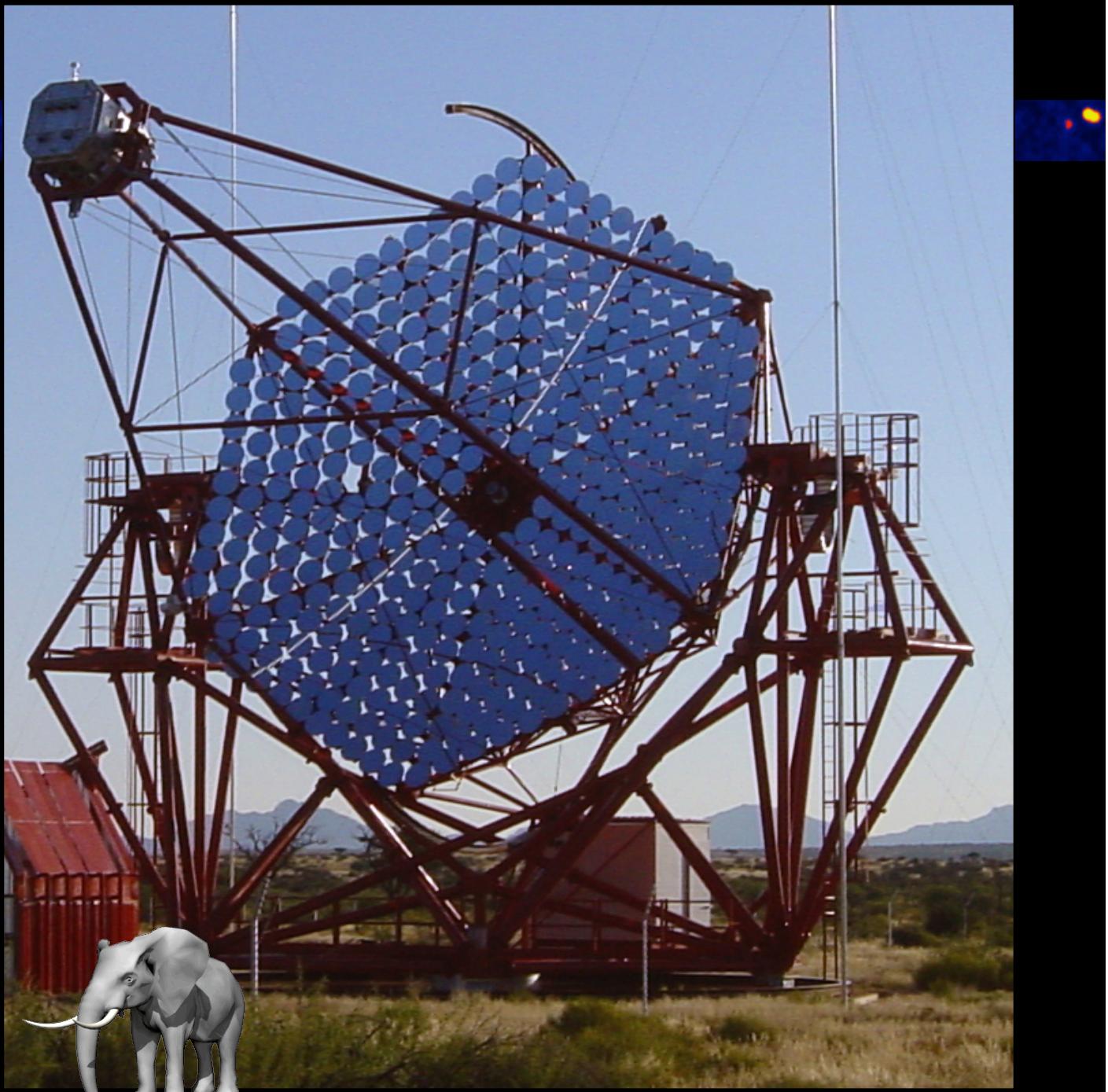


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H.E.S.S. 2003

100 times more
sensitive





Key feature of H.E.S.S: Wide field of view of 5°

Camera:
960 pixels, 0.16°
 5° field of view
Readout electronics
in camera body
1 GHz analog
memory for signal
recording



Why Namibia ?

A wide-angle photograph capturing a stunning sunset over a range of mountains. The sky is filled with a vibrant palette of colors, from deep orange and red at the horizon to darker blues and purples higher up. The clouds are scattered, reflecting the warm light of the setting sun. In the foreground, the dark silhouettes of mountain peaks are visible against the bright sky, creating a strong contrast.



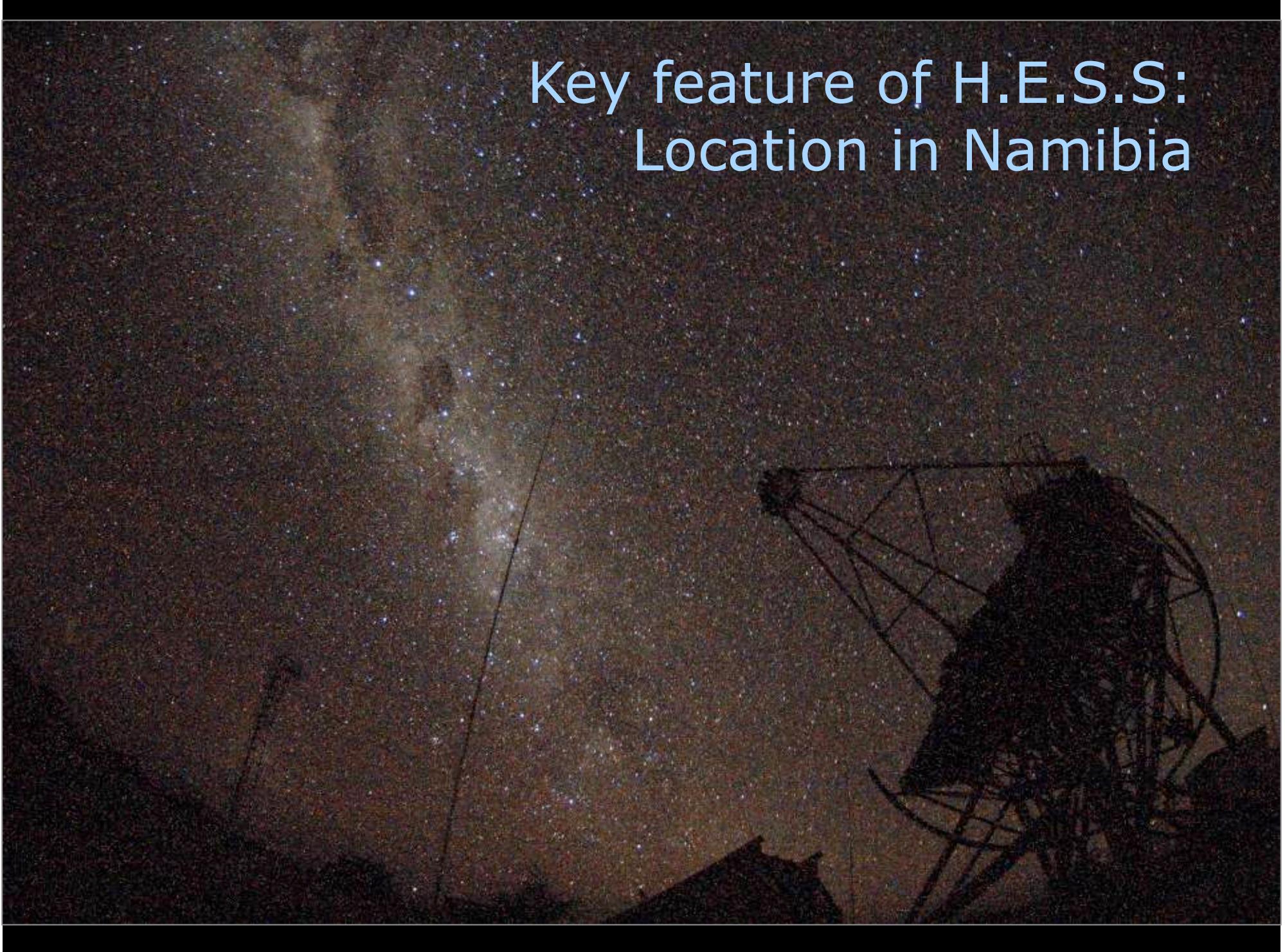








Key feature of H.E.S.S: Location in Namibia



The H.E.S.S. telescopes

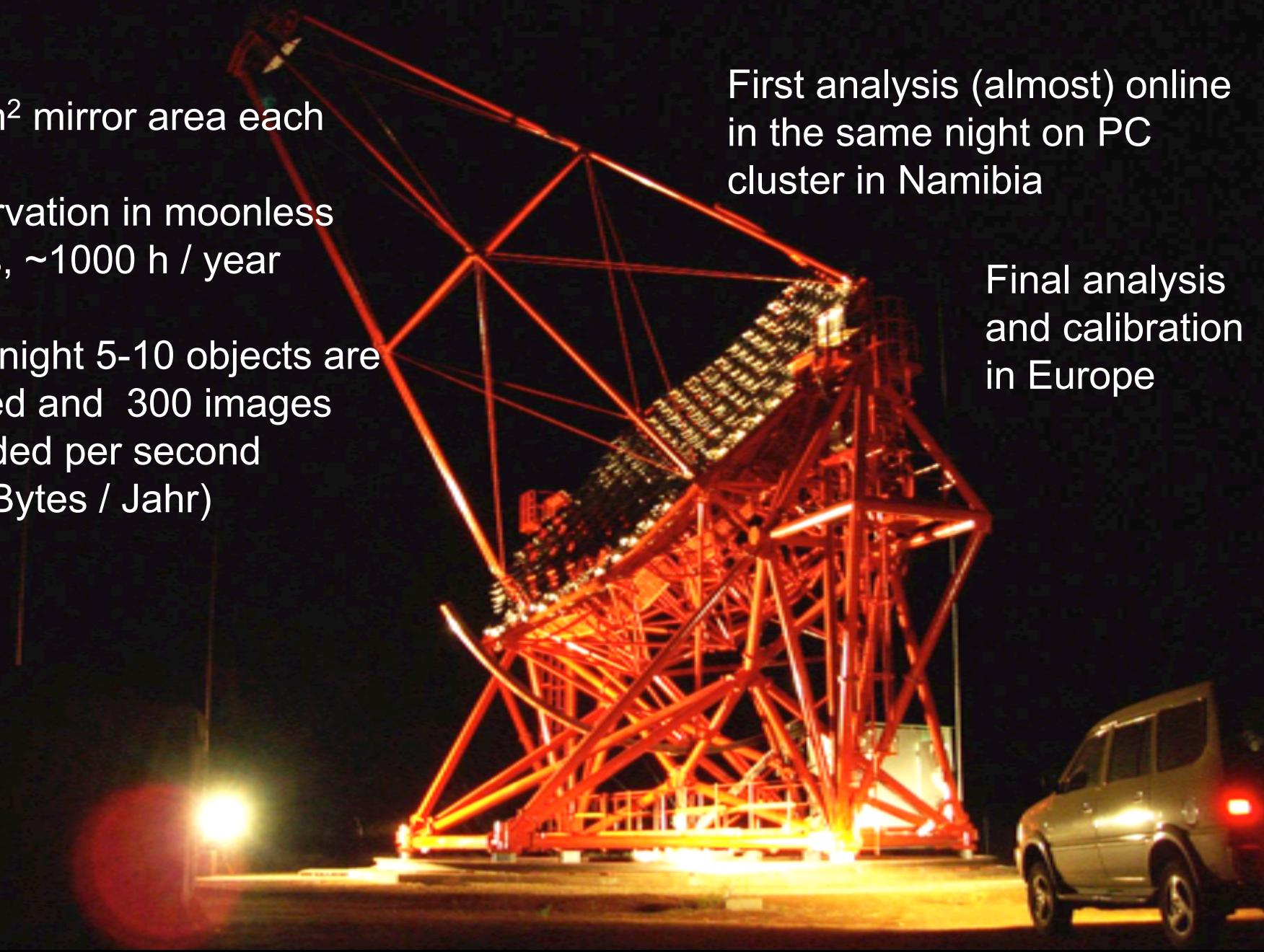
107 m² mirror area each

Observation in moonless
nights, ~1000 h / year

Each night 5-10 objects are
tracked and 300 images
recorded per second
(10 TBytes / Jahr)

First analysis (almost) online
in the same night on PC
cluster in Namibia

Final analysis
and calibration
in Europe



Infrared

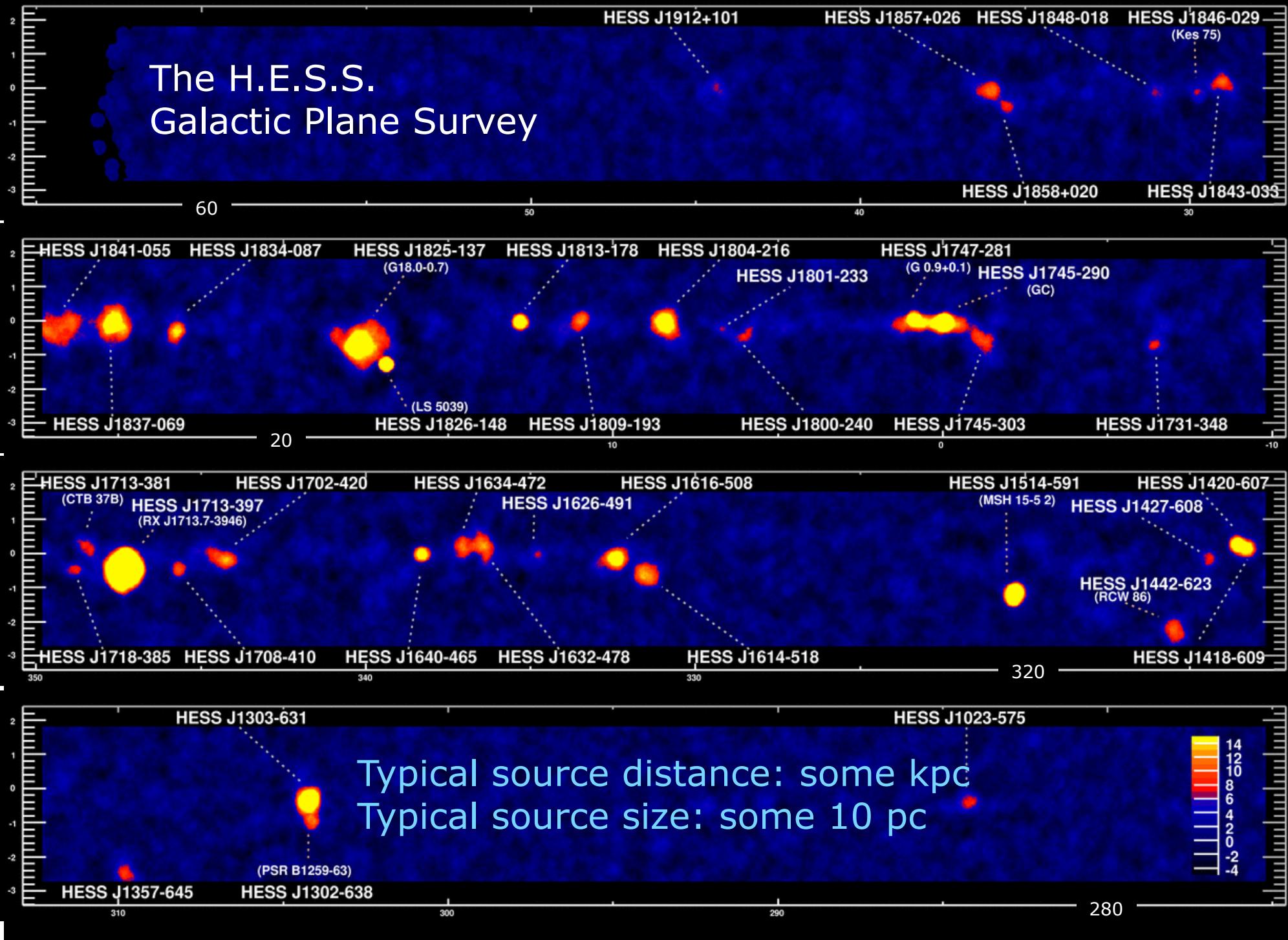
Optical

VHE γ -rays

What? A tour of galactic particle accelerators:

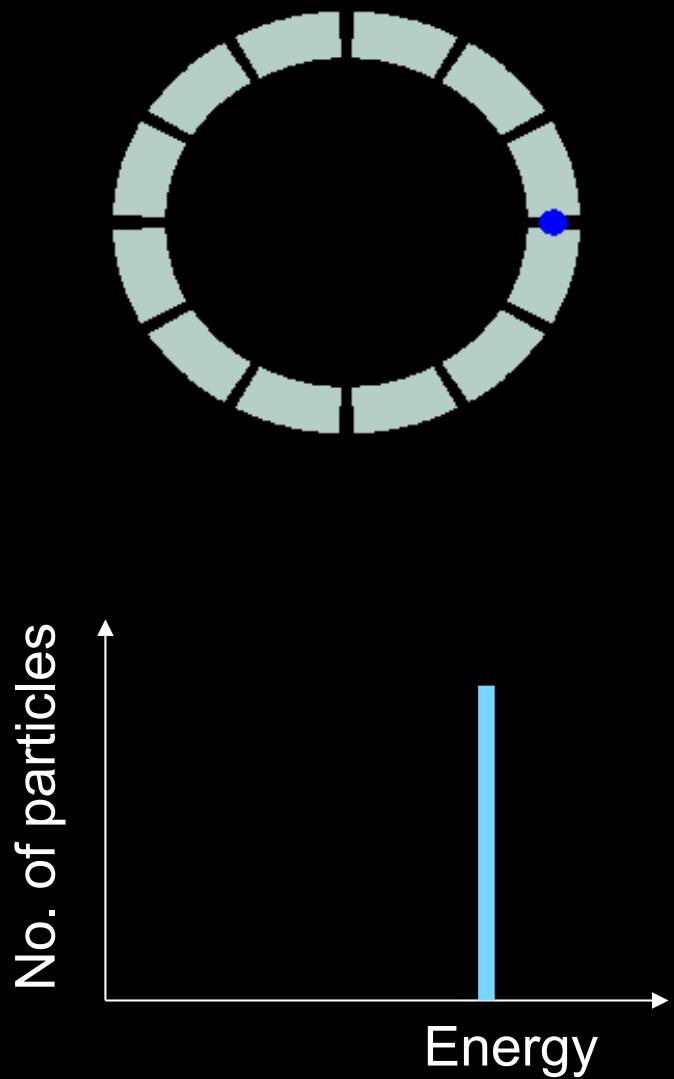
- Binaries
- Pulsar wind nebulae
- Supernova remnants
- Star clusters
- {"Dark sources"}

The H.E.S.S. Galactic Plane Survey



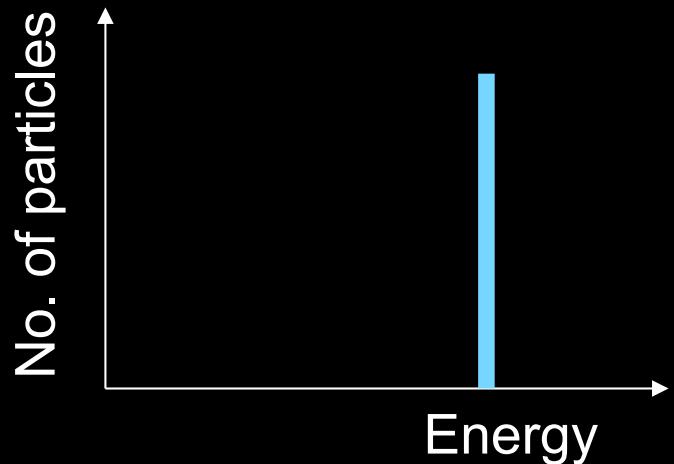
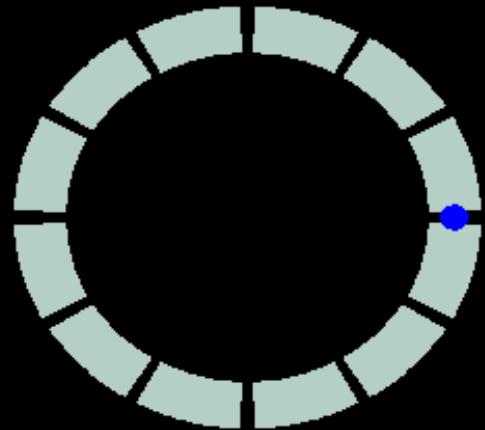
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Man-made accelerators

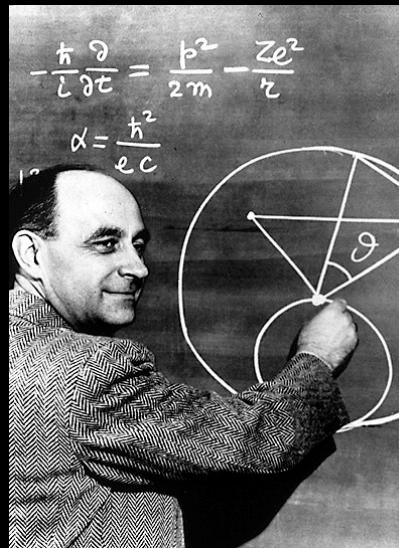


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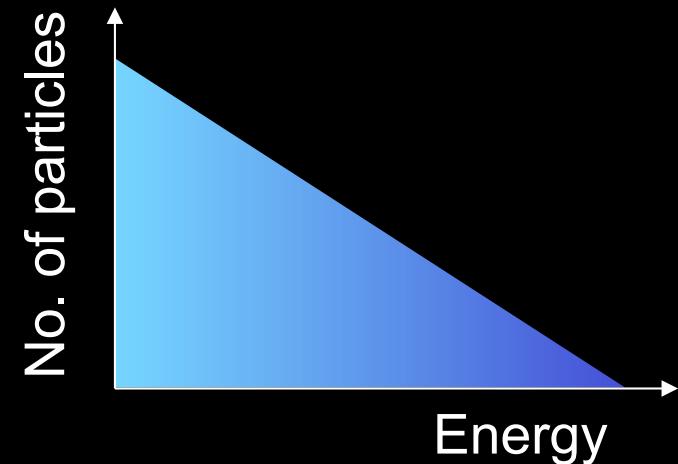
Man-made accelerators



Nature's accelerators



Enrico
Fermi



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Nature's accelerators

Energy gain / cycle $\Delta E/E \sim \beta_{\text{shock}}$

... many 100 cycles to reach TeV energies ...

... takes several 100 years

Generates power law spectrum $dN/dE \sim E^{-2}$

... at some point, particle escapes ...

... to be precise: $dN/dE \sim E^{-\Gamma}$, $\Gamma = (R+2)/(R-1)$

R = shock compression ratio

For strong shocks (Mach # $>> 1$): $R = 4 \rightarrow \Gamma = 2$

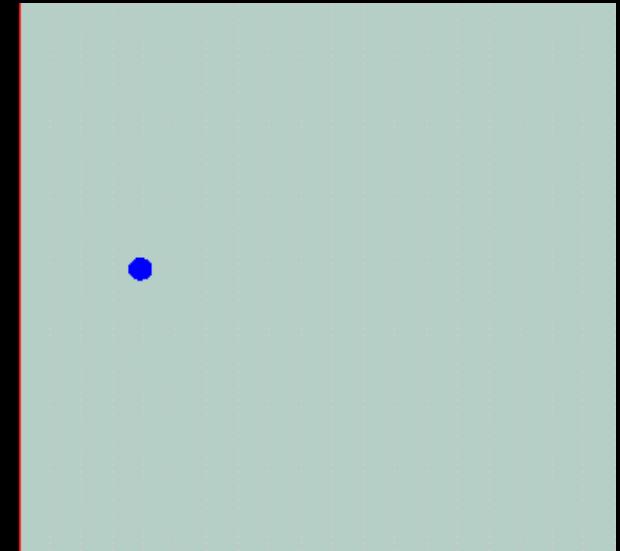
For weaker shocks: $R < 4 \rightarrow \Gamma > 2$

Peak energy $\sim 10^{15}$ eV

... depending on size of shock front ...

Nonlinear process with efficiency $\sim 50\%$!

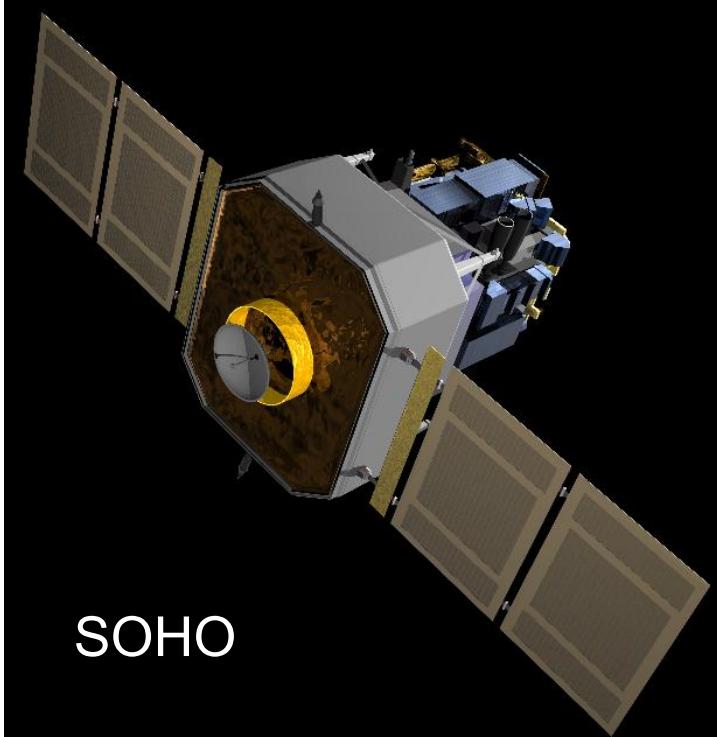
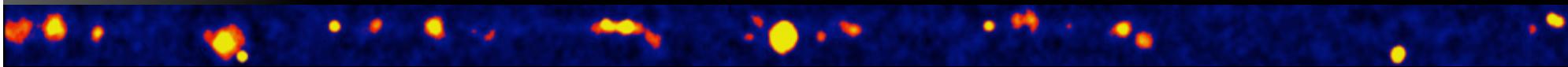
... accelerated particles generate plasma waves ...



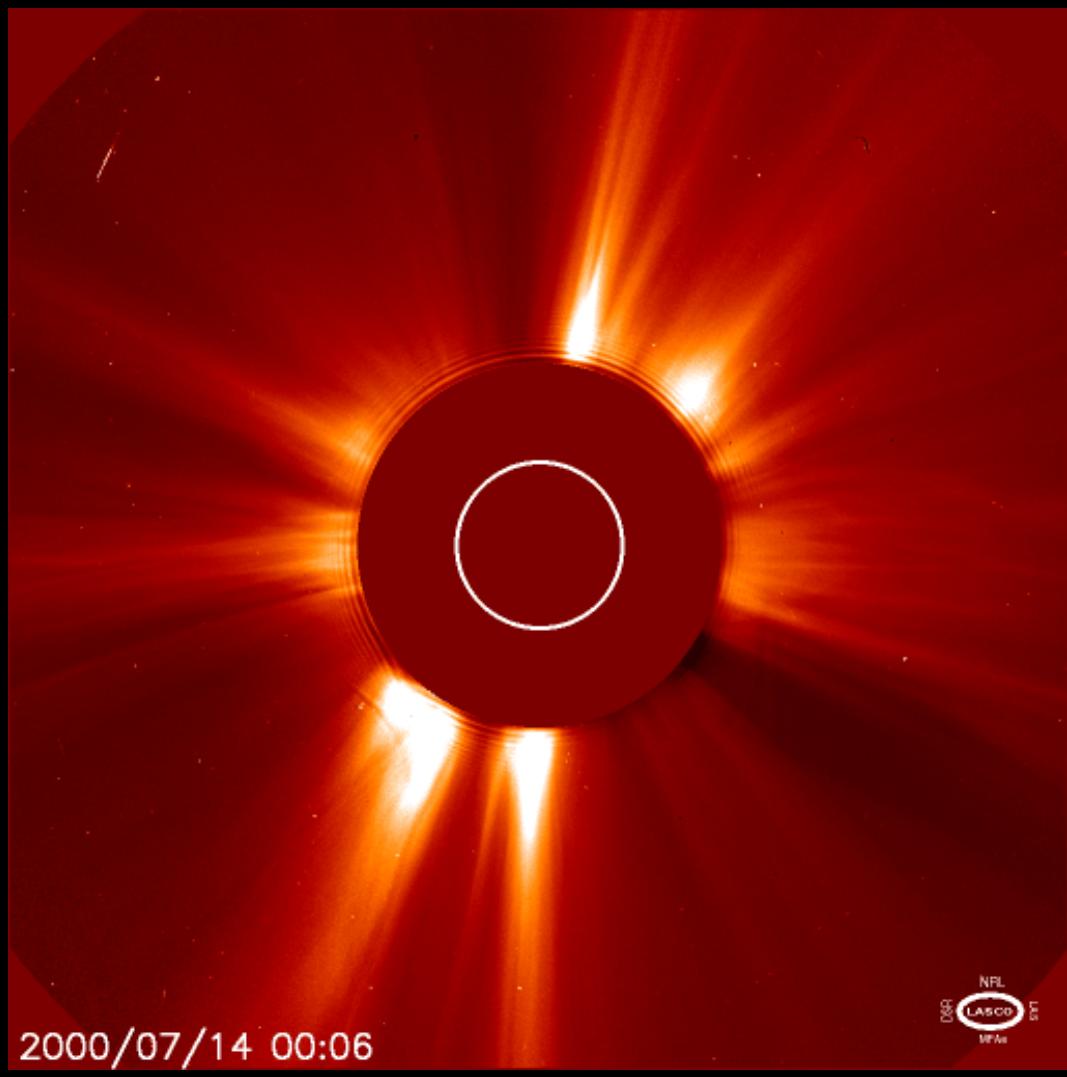
Shocks are everywhere!

- *Supernovae*
- *Pulsars*
- *Stellar winds*
- *Jets of active galaxies*
- *Galactic mergers*
- *Solar system ...*

A particle accelerator in the Solar System



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Radio

Infrared

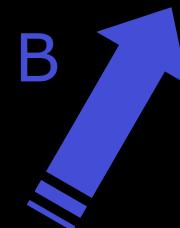
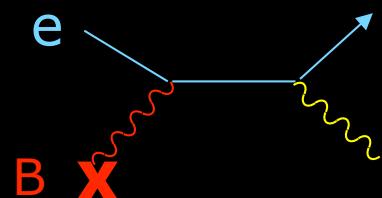
Visible light

X-rays

VHE
gamma rays

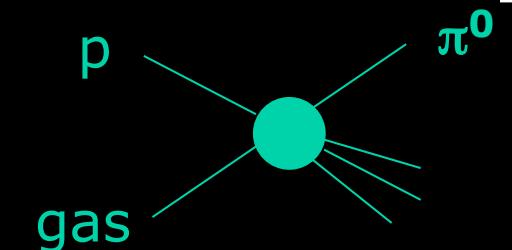
From particles to radiation I

Energy flux/Decade
 $E^2 F(E)$



Cosmic
electron
accelerators

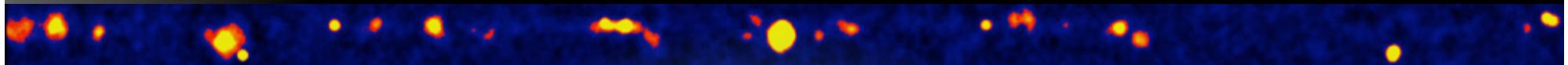
Synchrotron
radiation



Cosmic
proton
accelerators

Inverse Compton
upscattering

From particles to radiation II



For uniform distribution
of targets,
 **γ -rays probe particle
distribution**

Energy-dependent
propagation modifies
spectrum as a function
of distance

Source ●
of particles
(e.g. pulsar)

Target “material”

Source size given
by diffusion /
convection speed
and age of source
or “livetime” of
particles

Radiative losses
steepen spectrum as a
function of distance

Bubbles: Gas density $10^{-2}/\text{cm}^3$



The N44 Superbubble (250 LY across)
Credit & Copyright: Gemini Obs., AURA, NSF

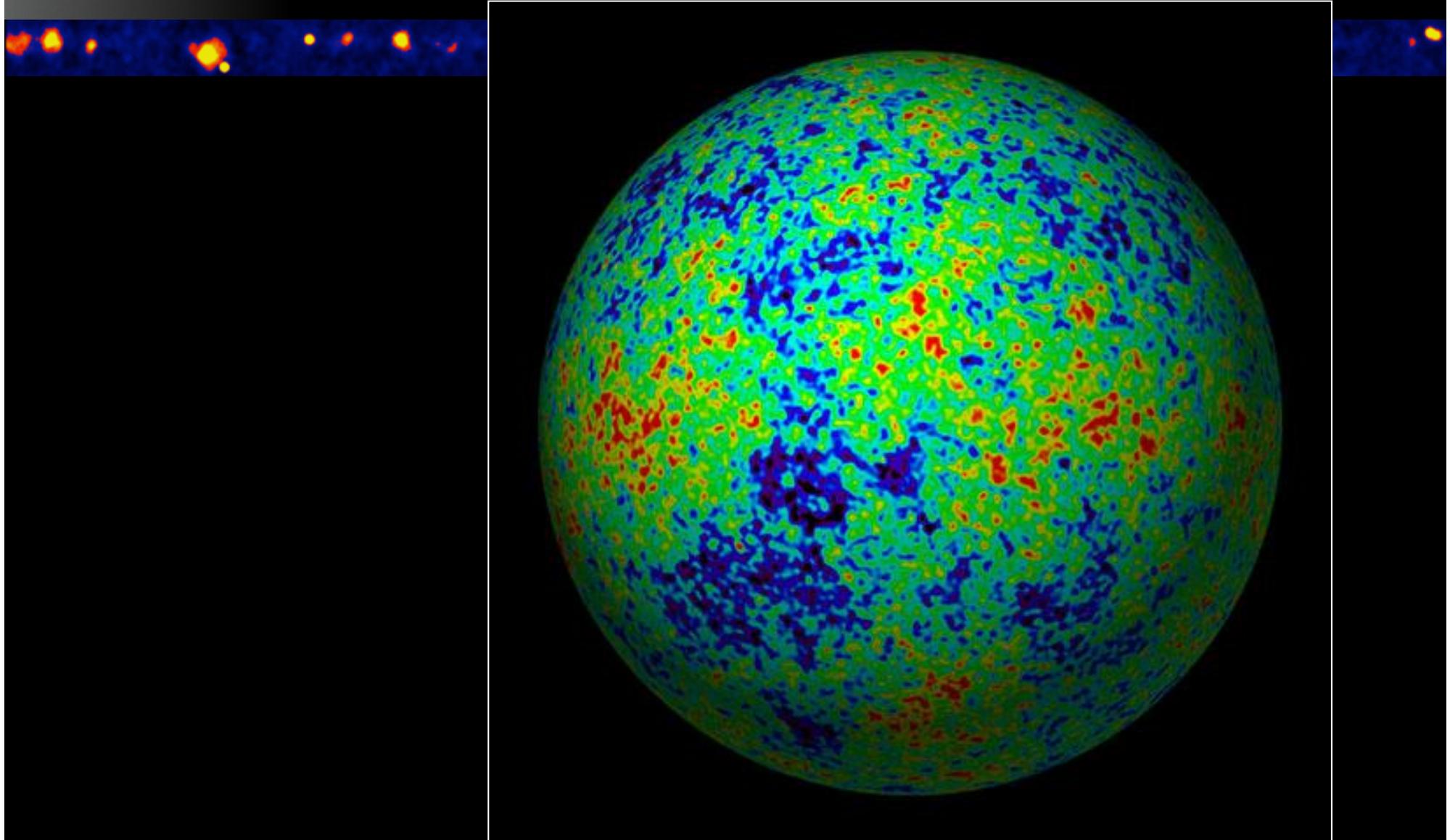
Lifetime of 10 TeV proton: $\sim 10^9$ years

Clouds: Gas density $> 10^3/\text{cm}^3$



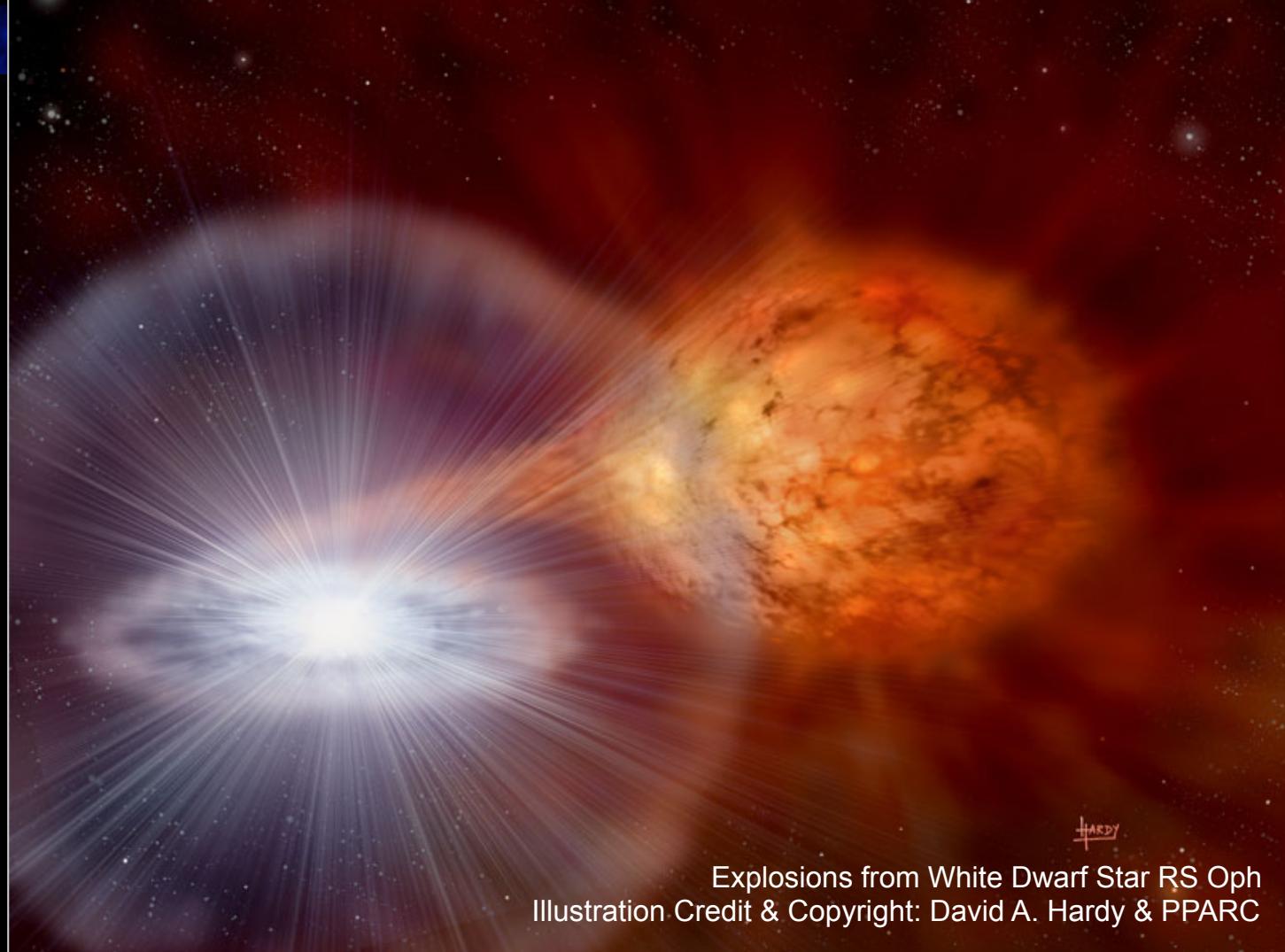
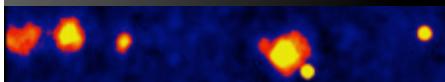
Lifetime of 10 TeV proton: $\sim 10^4$ years

CMB: Photon density 0.26 eV/cm^3



Lifetime of 10 TeV electron: $\sim 10^5$ years

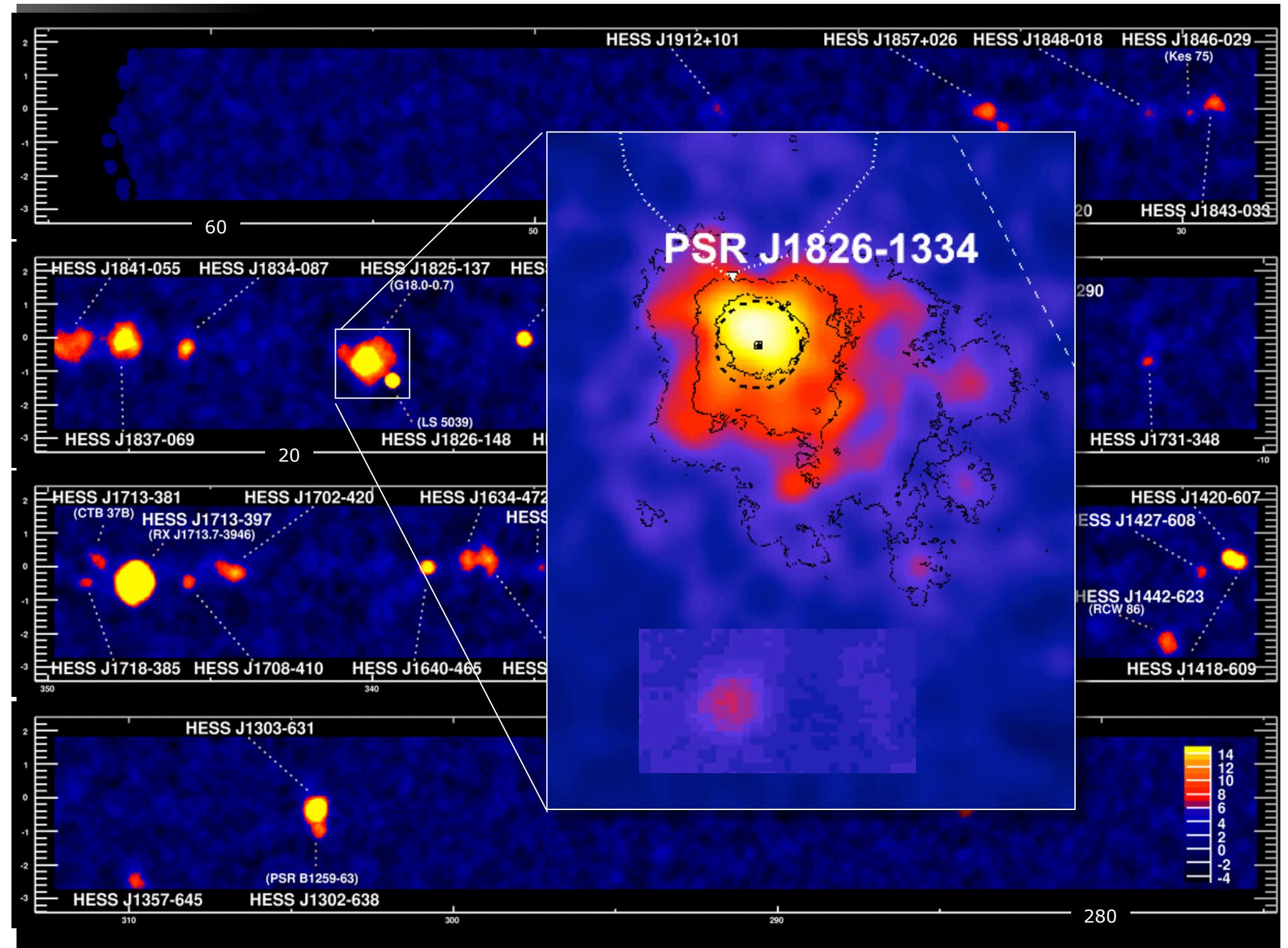
In binary systems: 10^4 eV/cm³



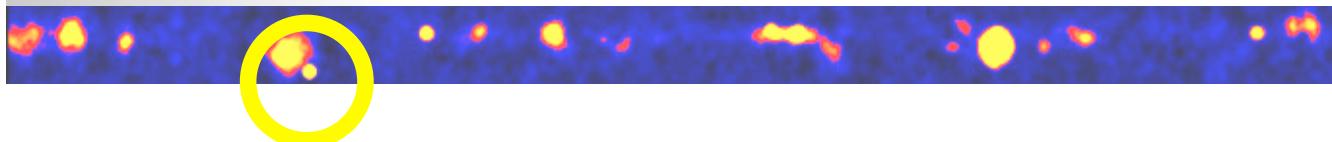
Explosions from White Dwarf Star RS Oph
Illustration Credit & Copyright: David A. Hardy & PPARC

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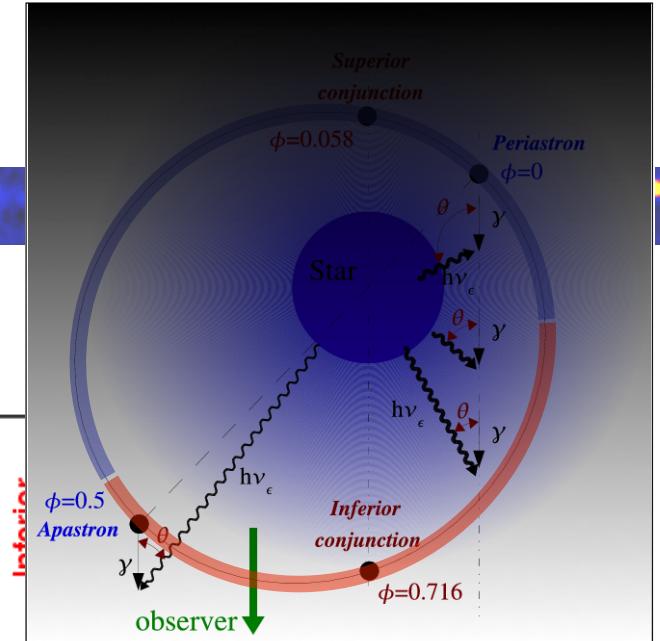
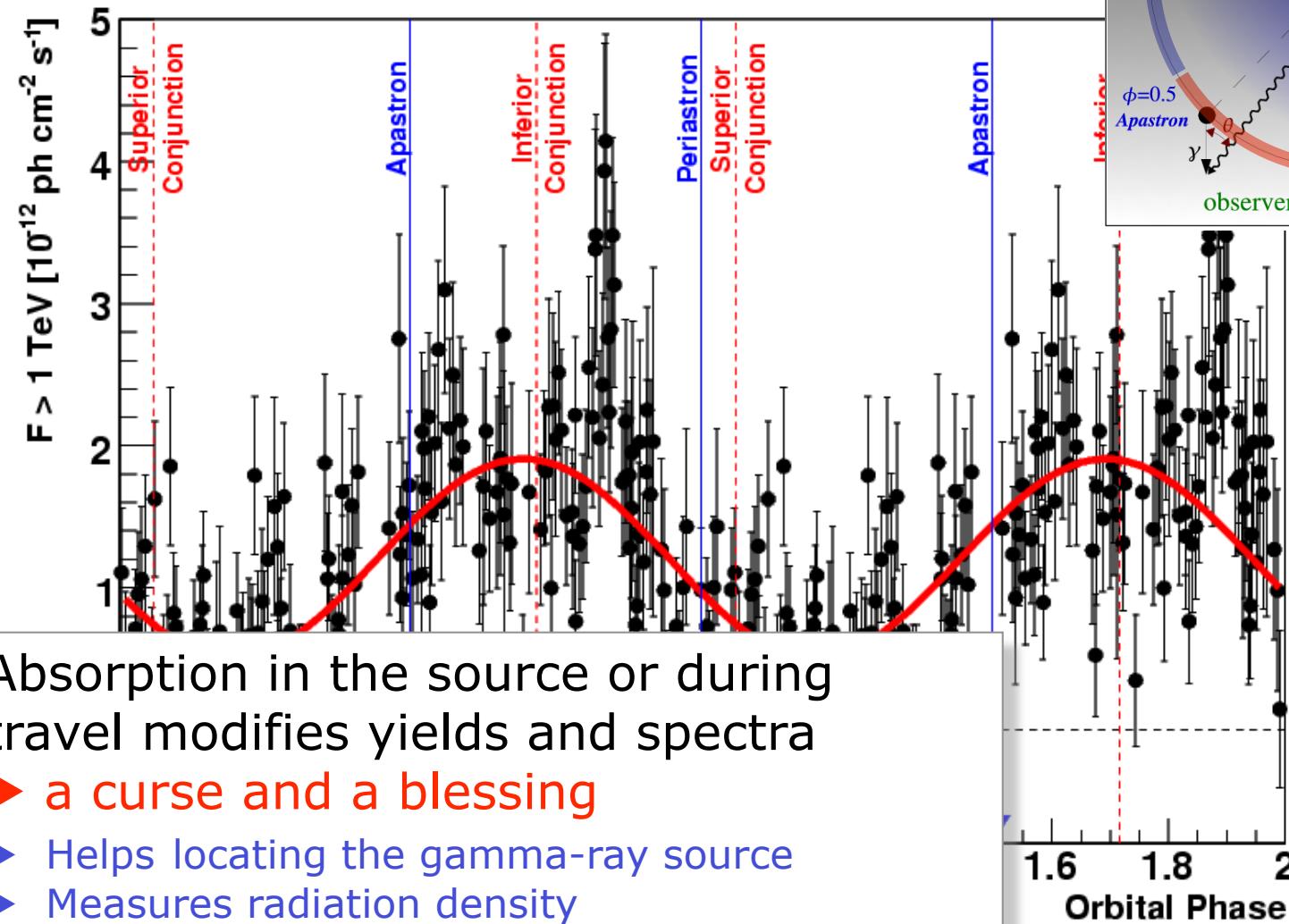
Lifetime of 10 TeV electron: <100 years



LS 5039 lightcurve

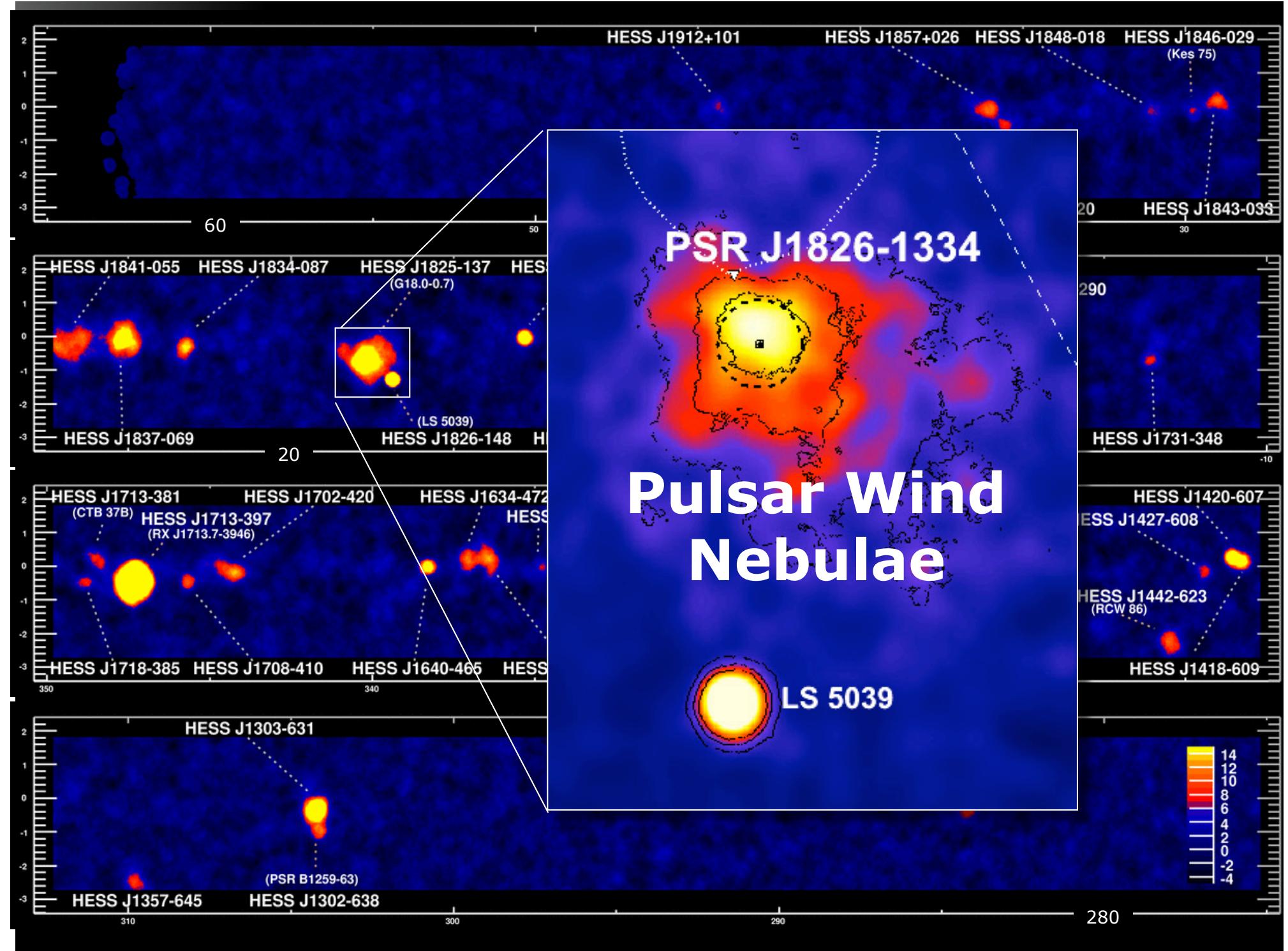


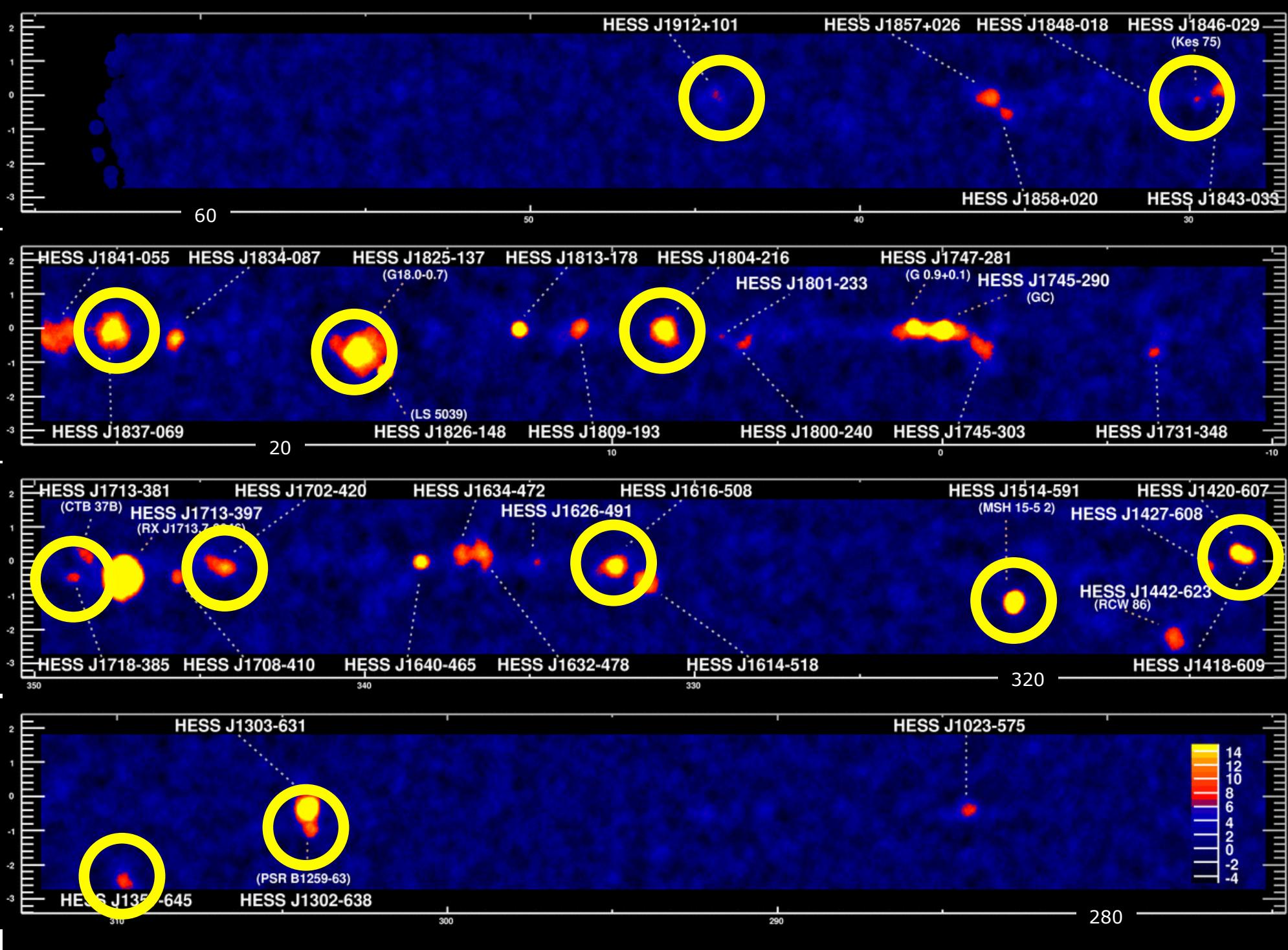
γ -Period: 3.908 ± 0.002 days



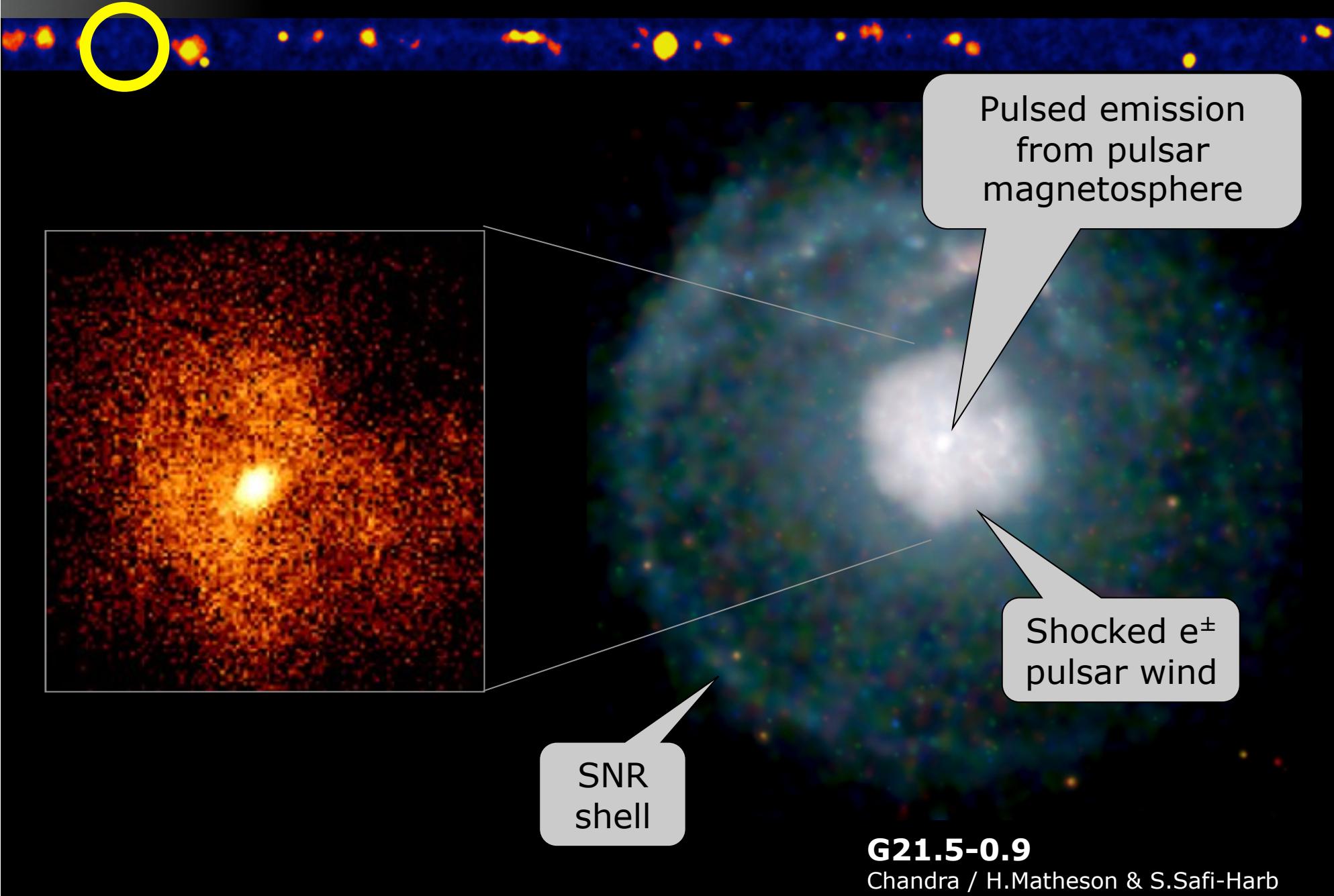
Folded using optical period

Data repeated for 2 cycles





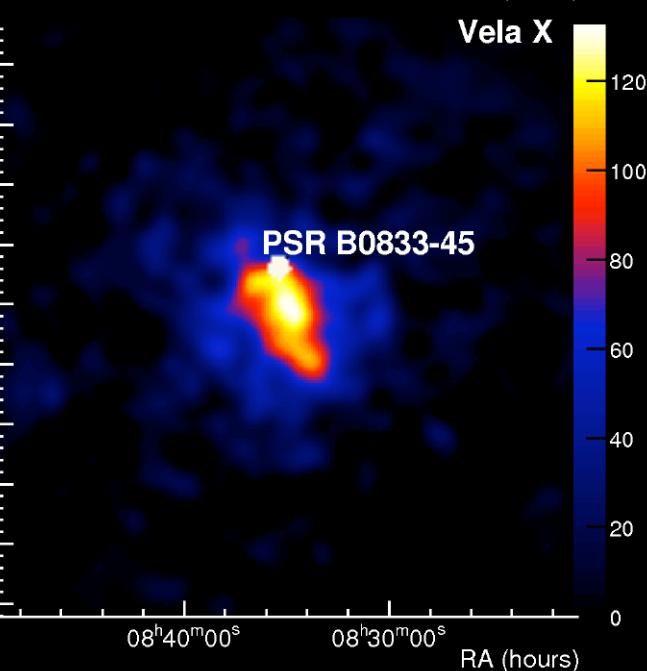
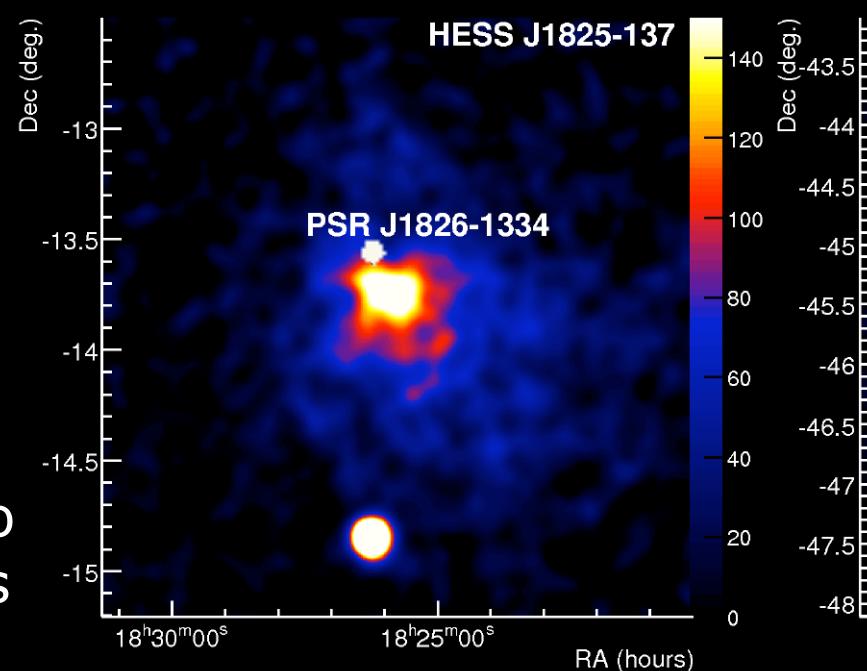
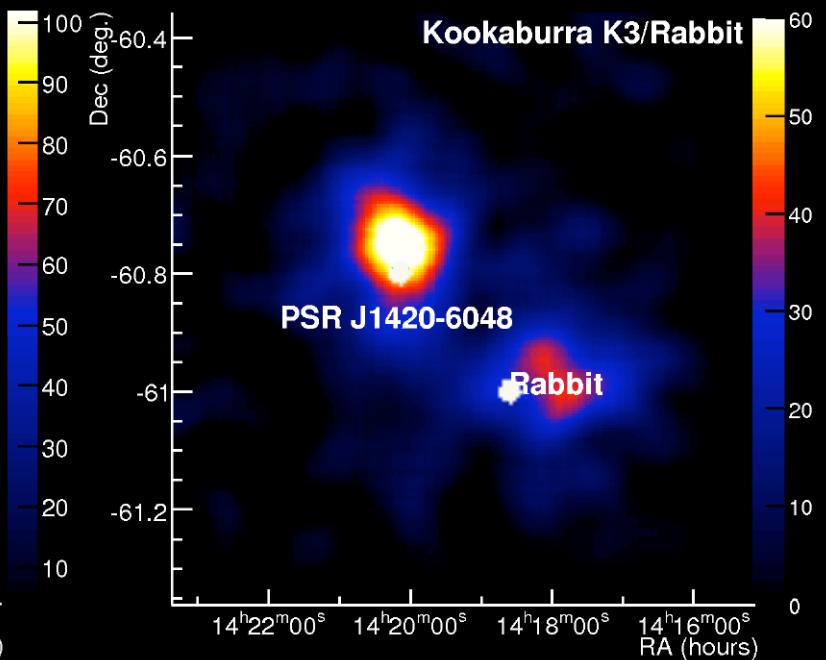
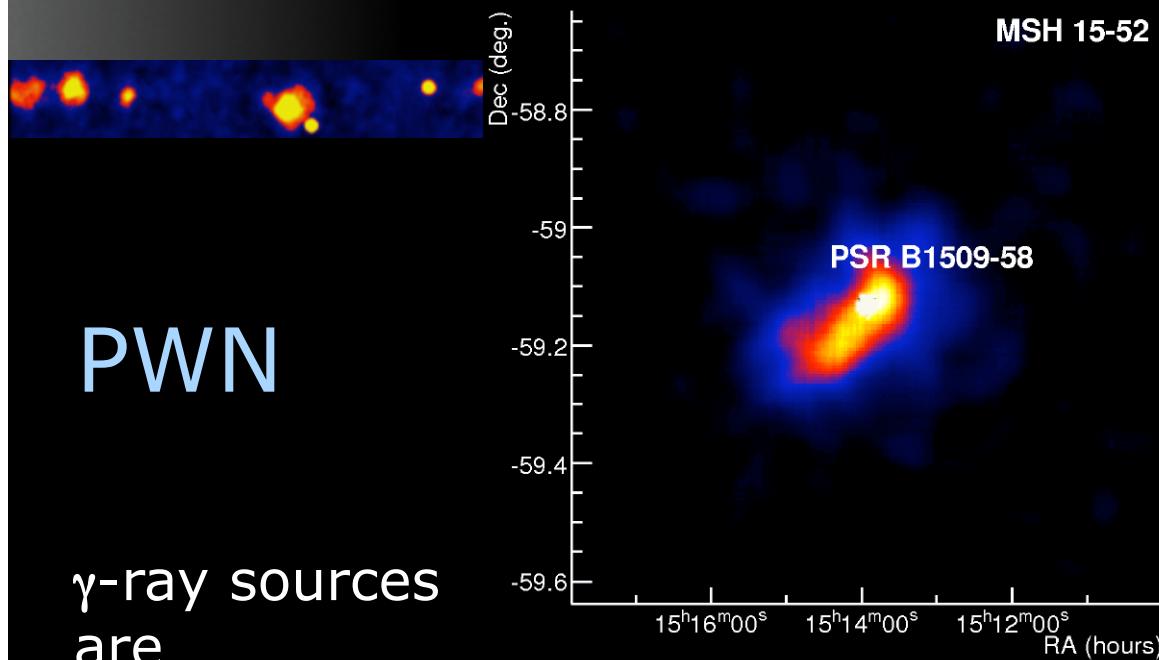
Pulsar wind nebulae

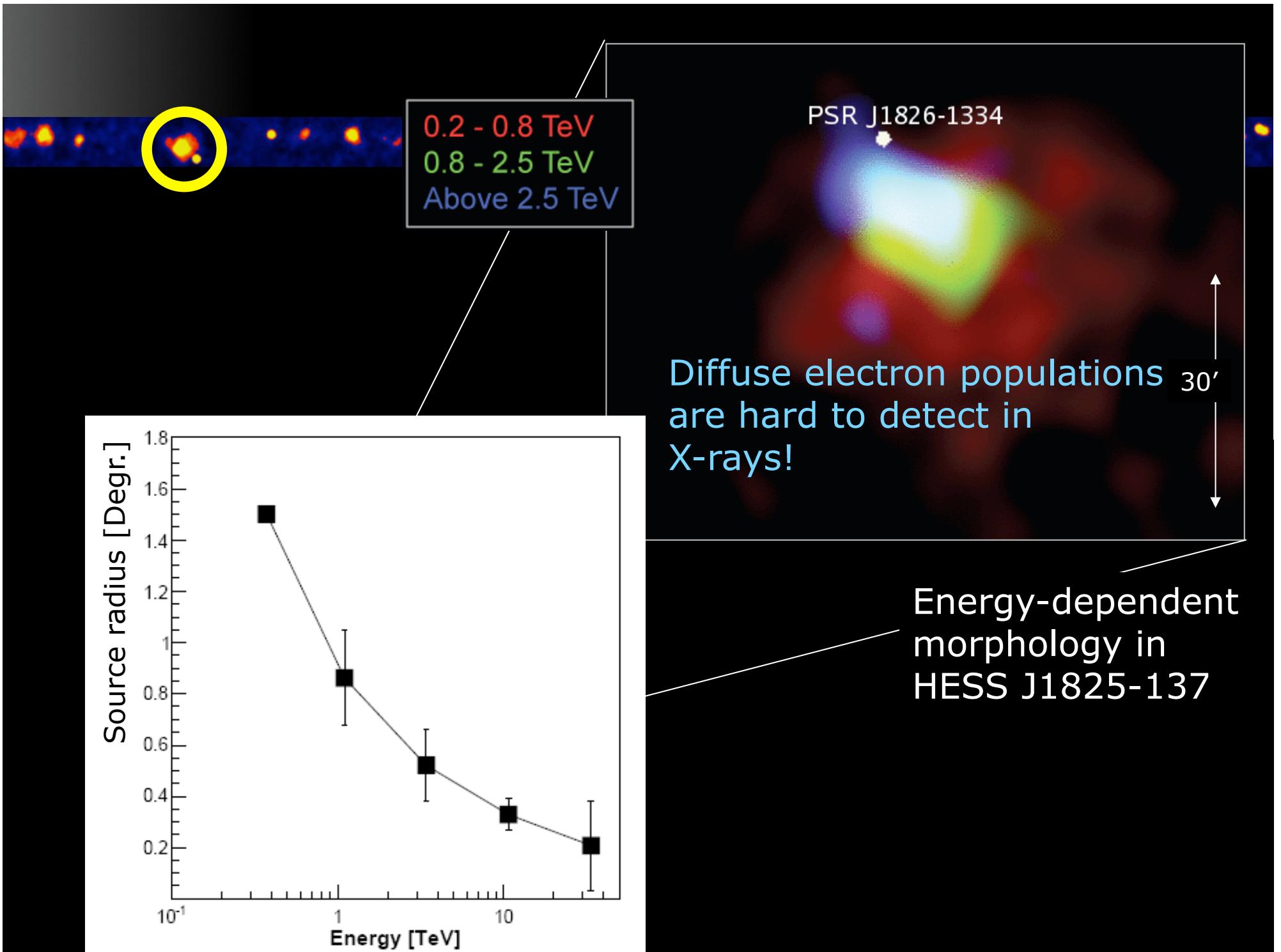


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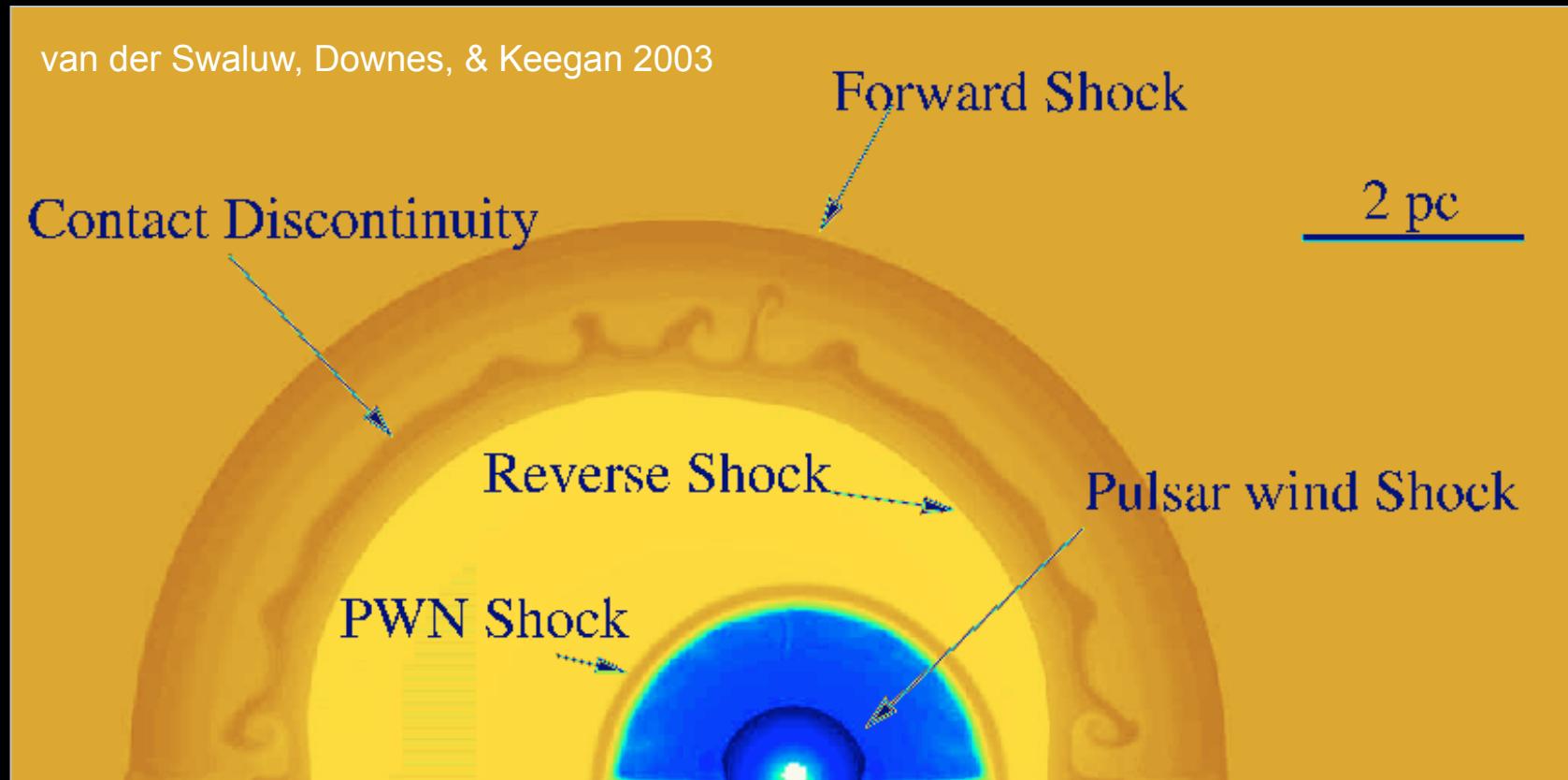
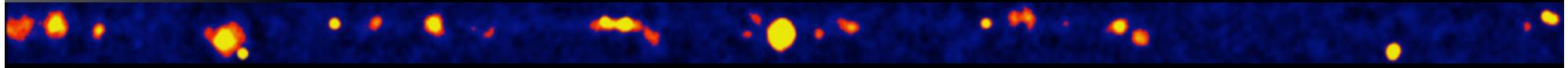
γ -ray sources
are

- extended
- displaced from pulsar
- O(1%) of spin-down energy loss converted to gamma rays

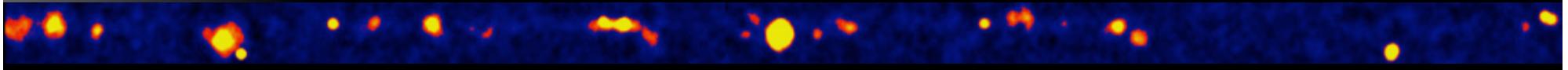




Pulsar “Kick” ?



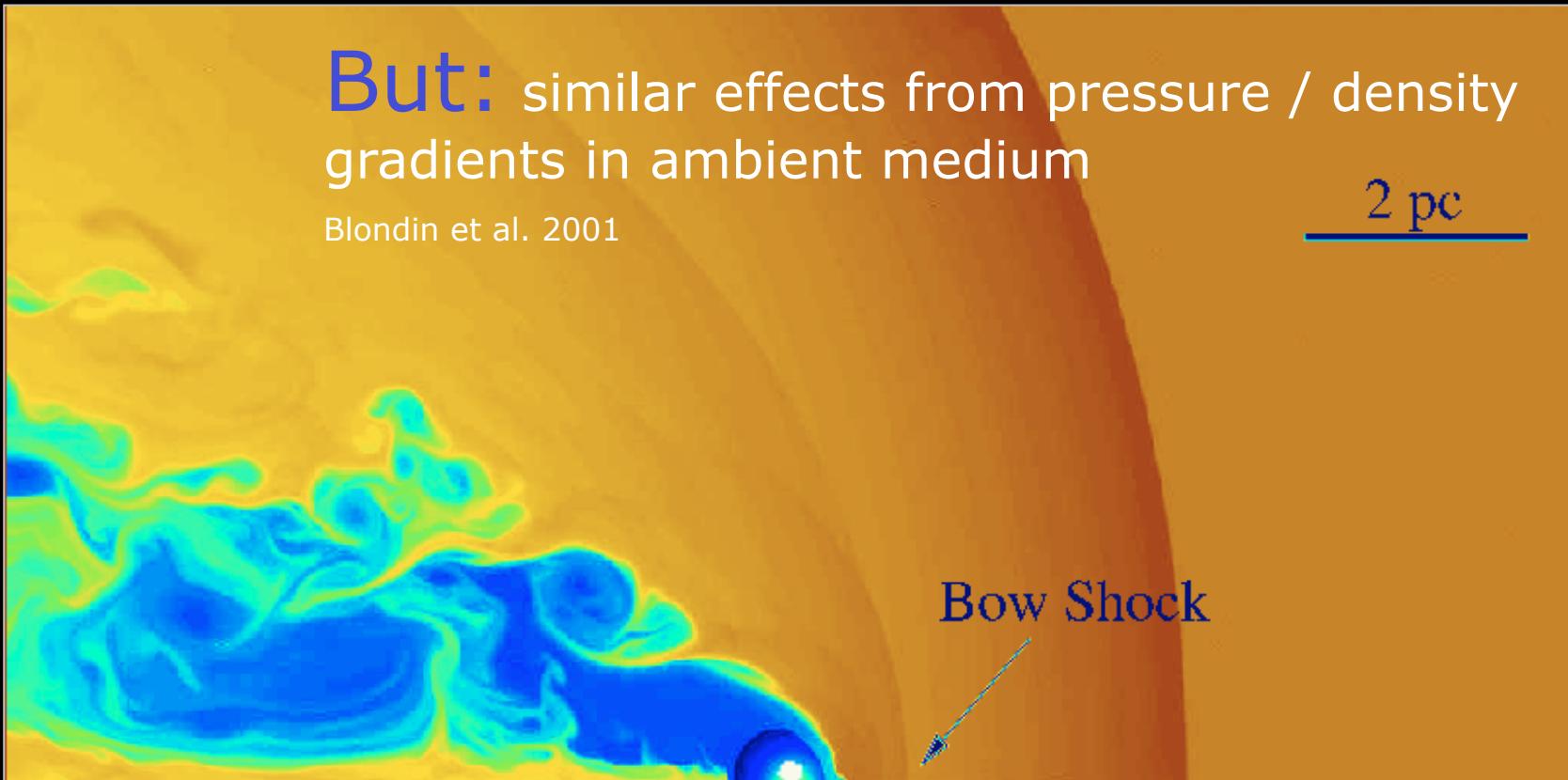
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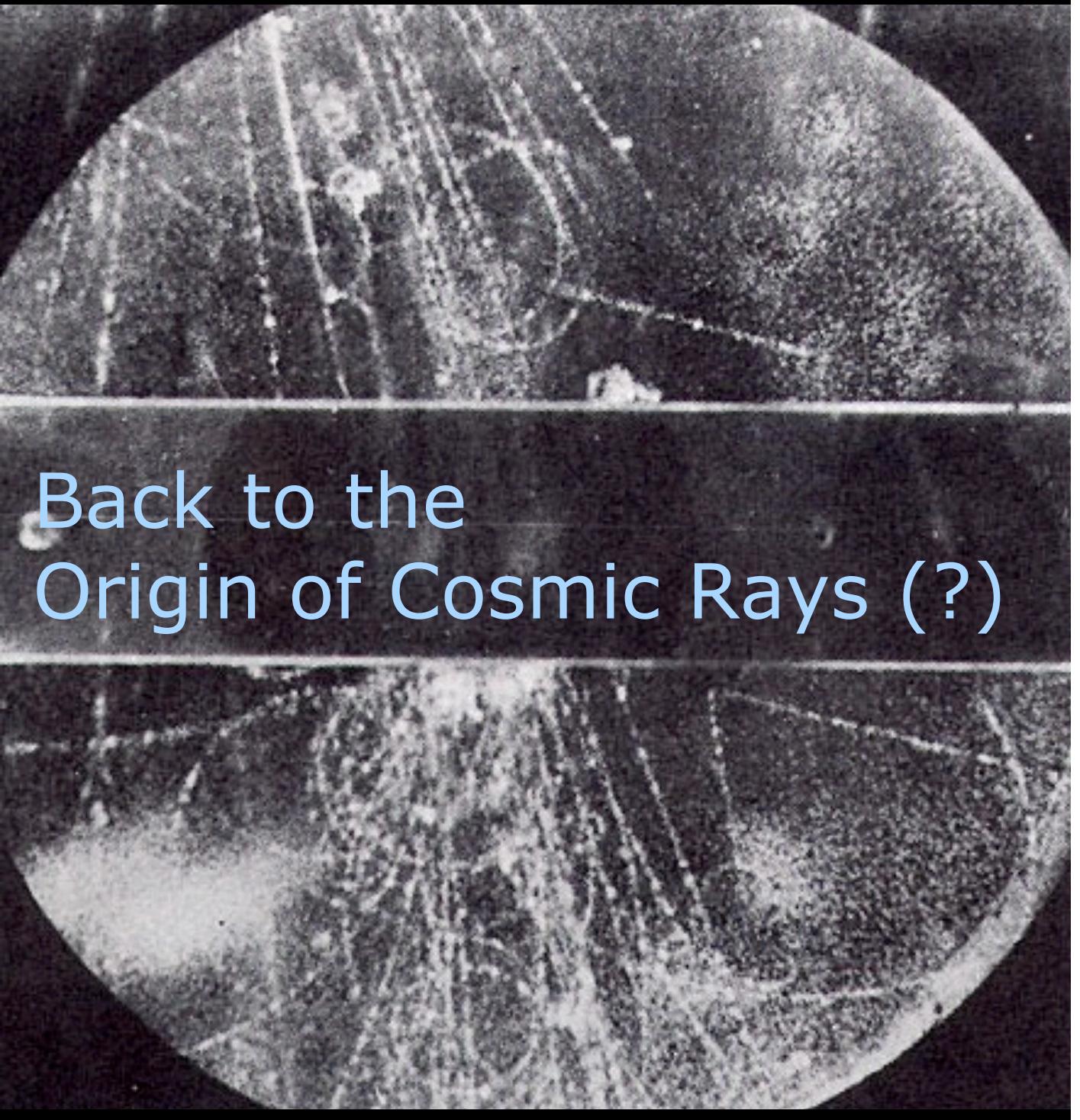
But: similar effects from pressure / density gradients in ambient medium

Blondin et al. 2001

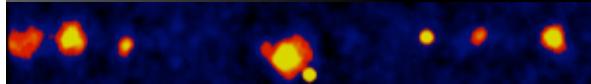
2 pc



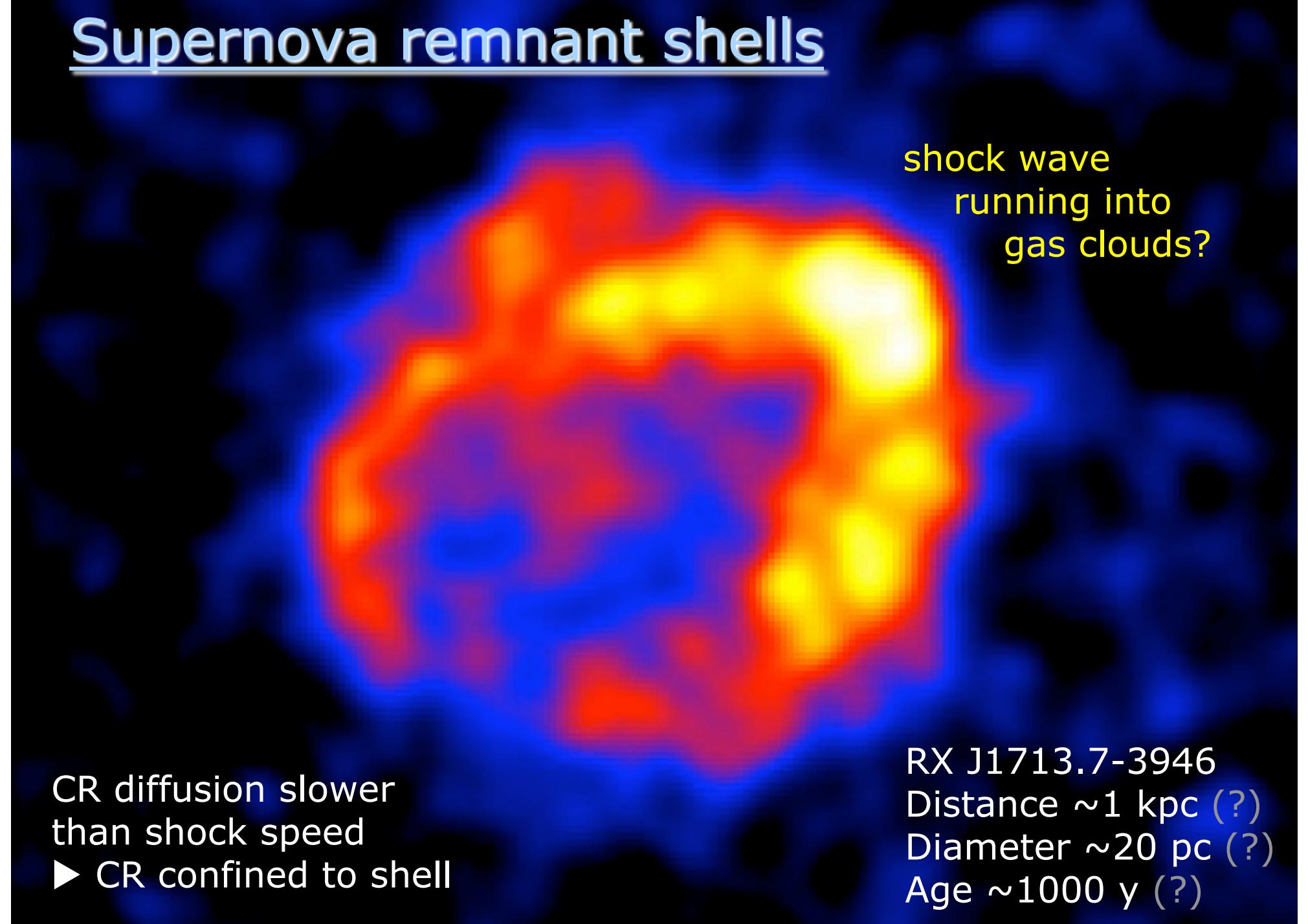
NO! ... not for Vela-X, HESS J1825-137



Back to the
Origin of Cosmic Rays (?)



Supernova remnant shells

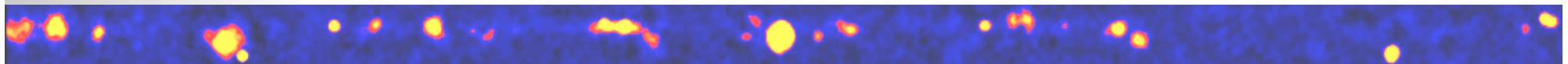


shock wave
running into
gas clouds?

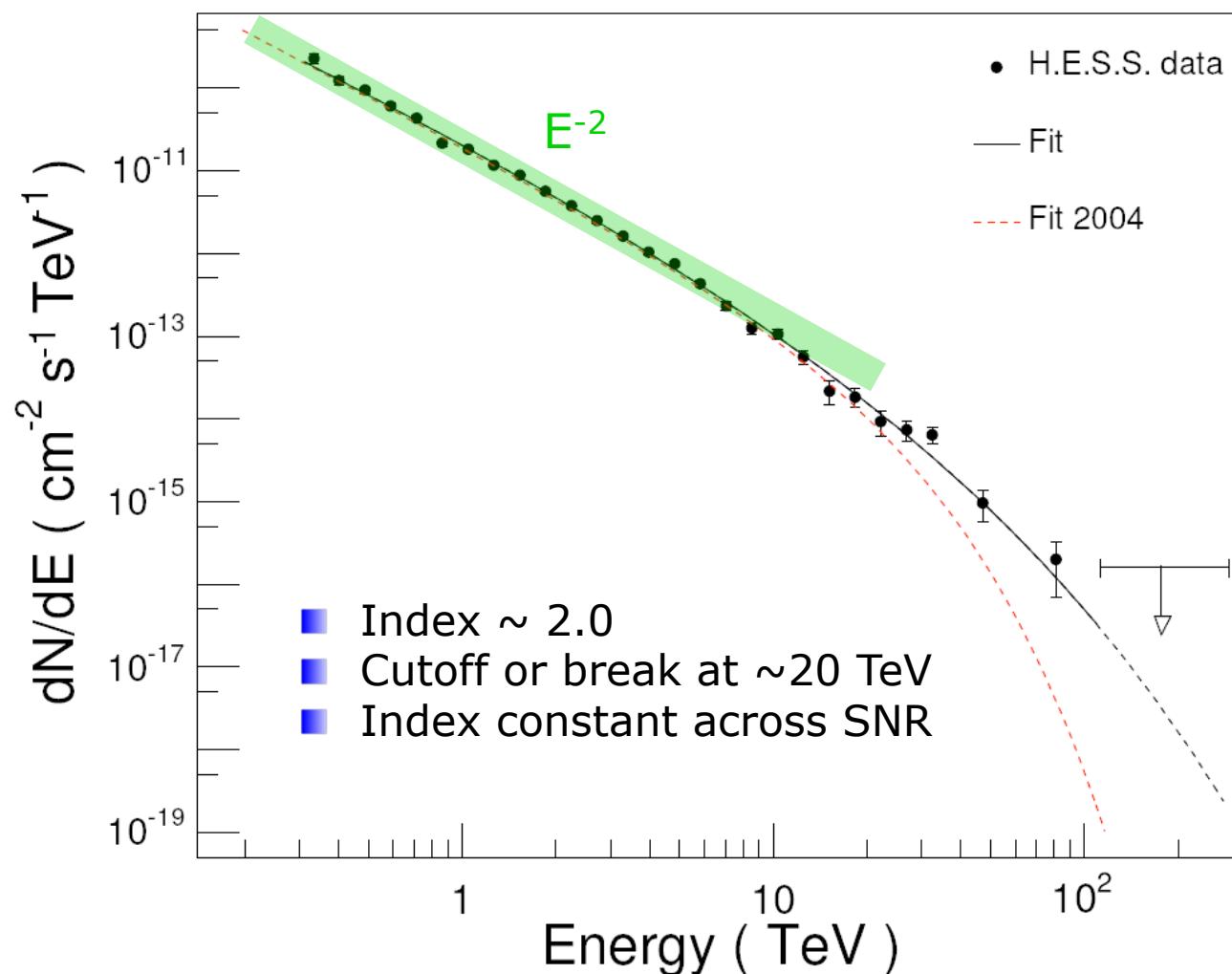
CR diffusion slower
than shock speed
► CR confined to shell

RX J1713.7-3946
Distance ~ 1 kpc (?)
Diameter ~ 20 pc (?)
Age ~ 1000 y (?)

RXJ 1713.7-3946

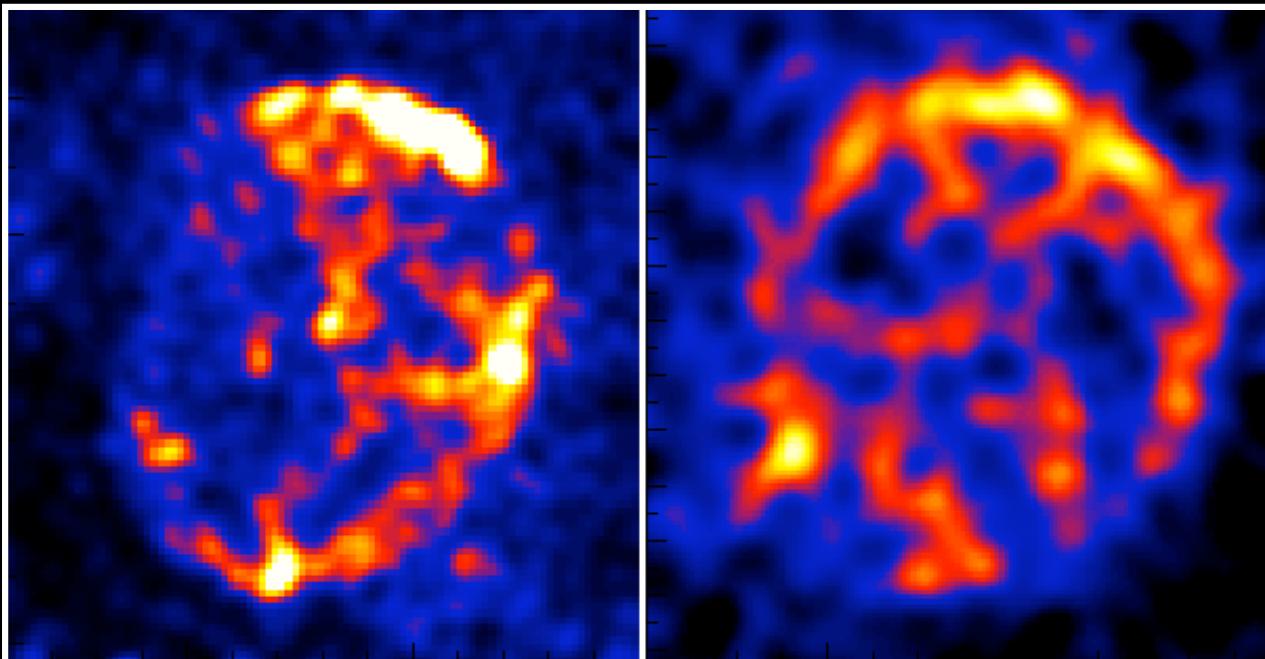


Proof that supernova shells accelerate particles to 100 TeV and beyond

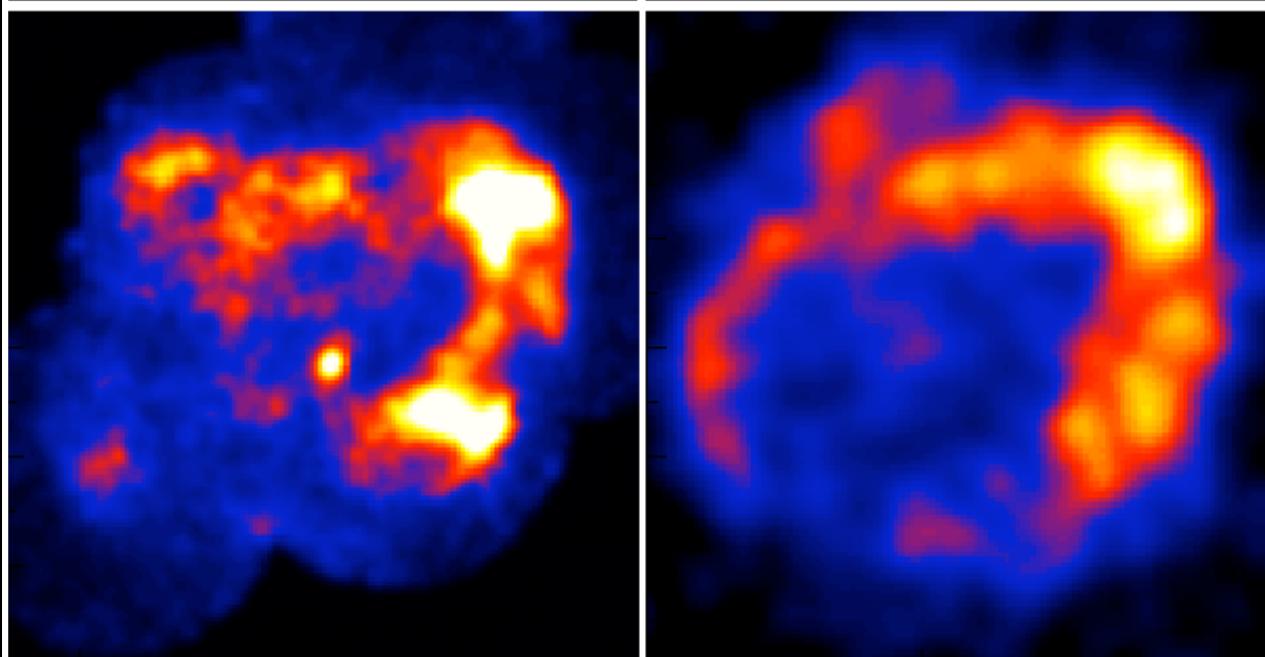


X-rays: electrons \otimes B^2 γ -rays: protons \otimes ρ_{gas}

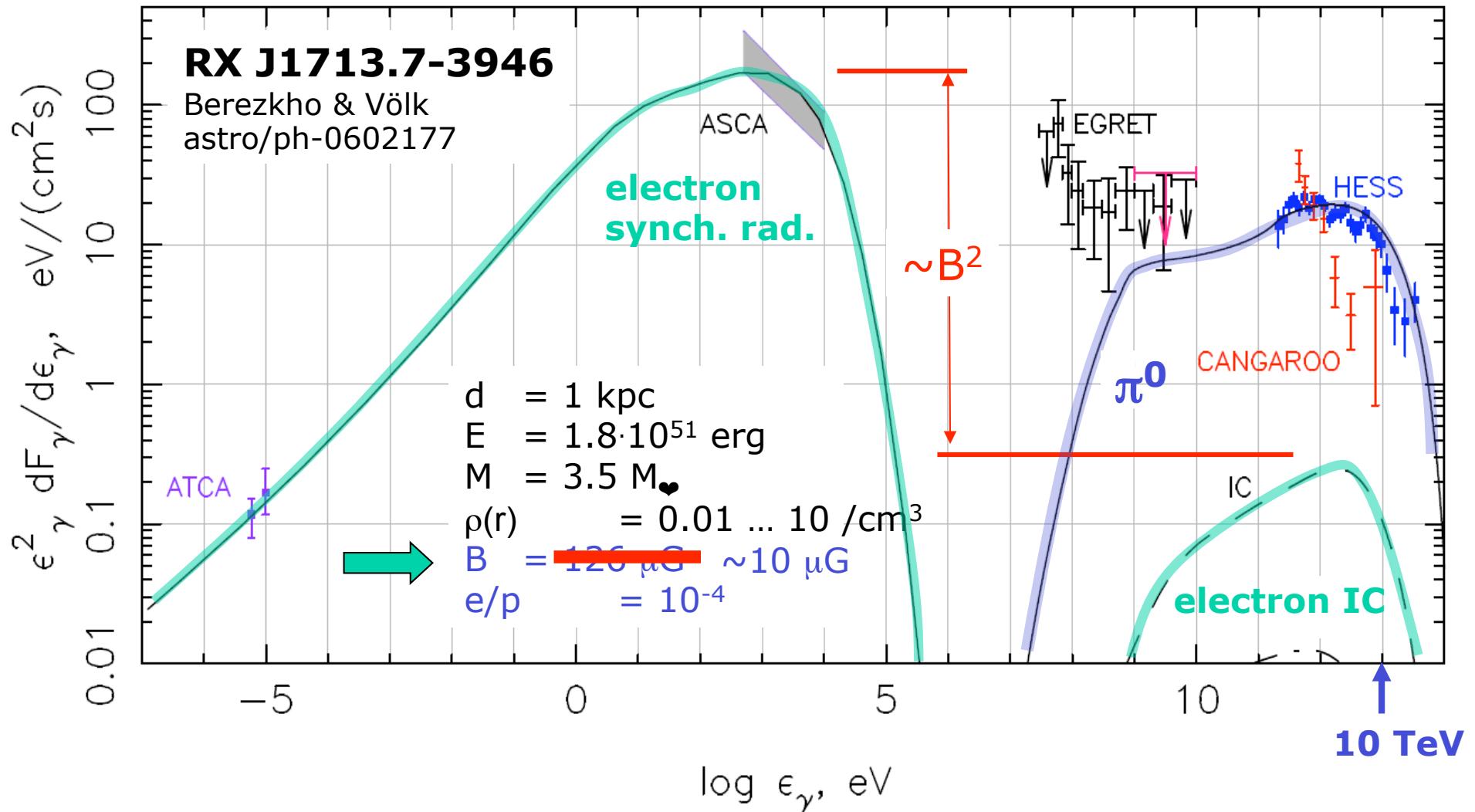
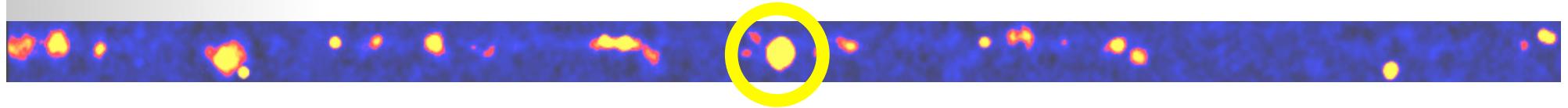
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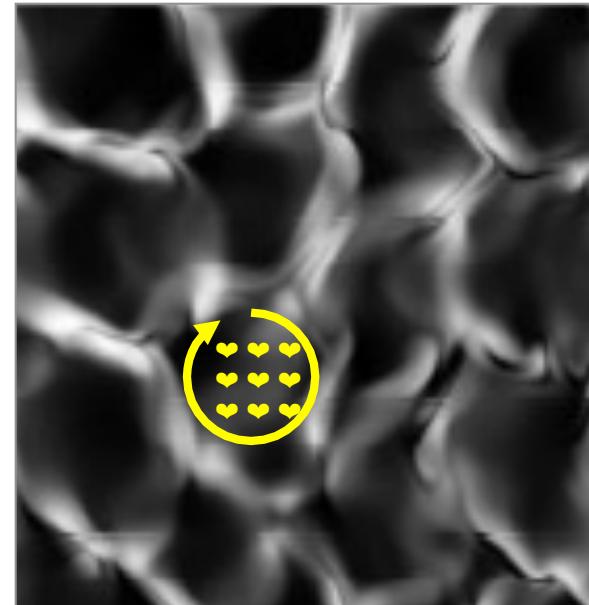
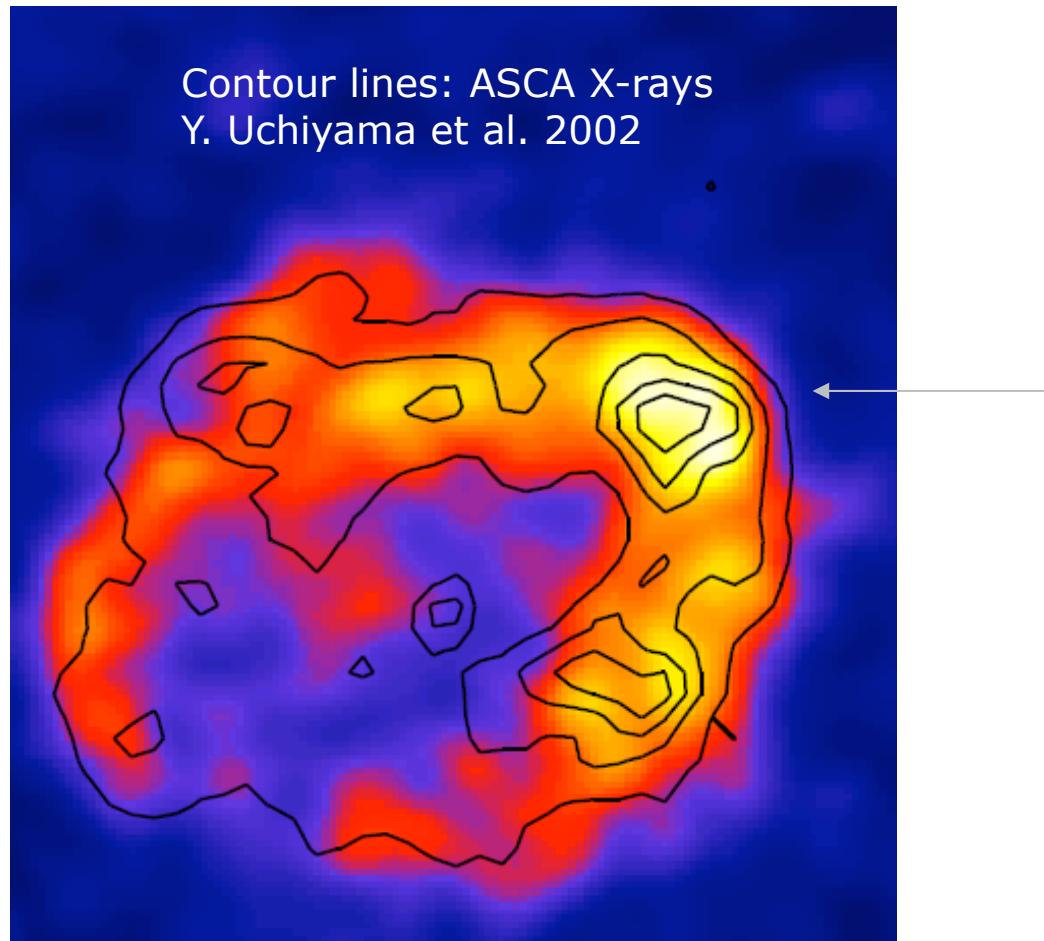
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Spectral energy distribution



X-ray / γ -ray correlation

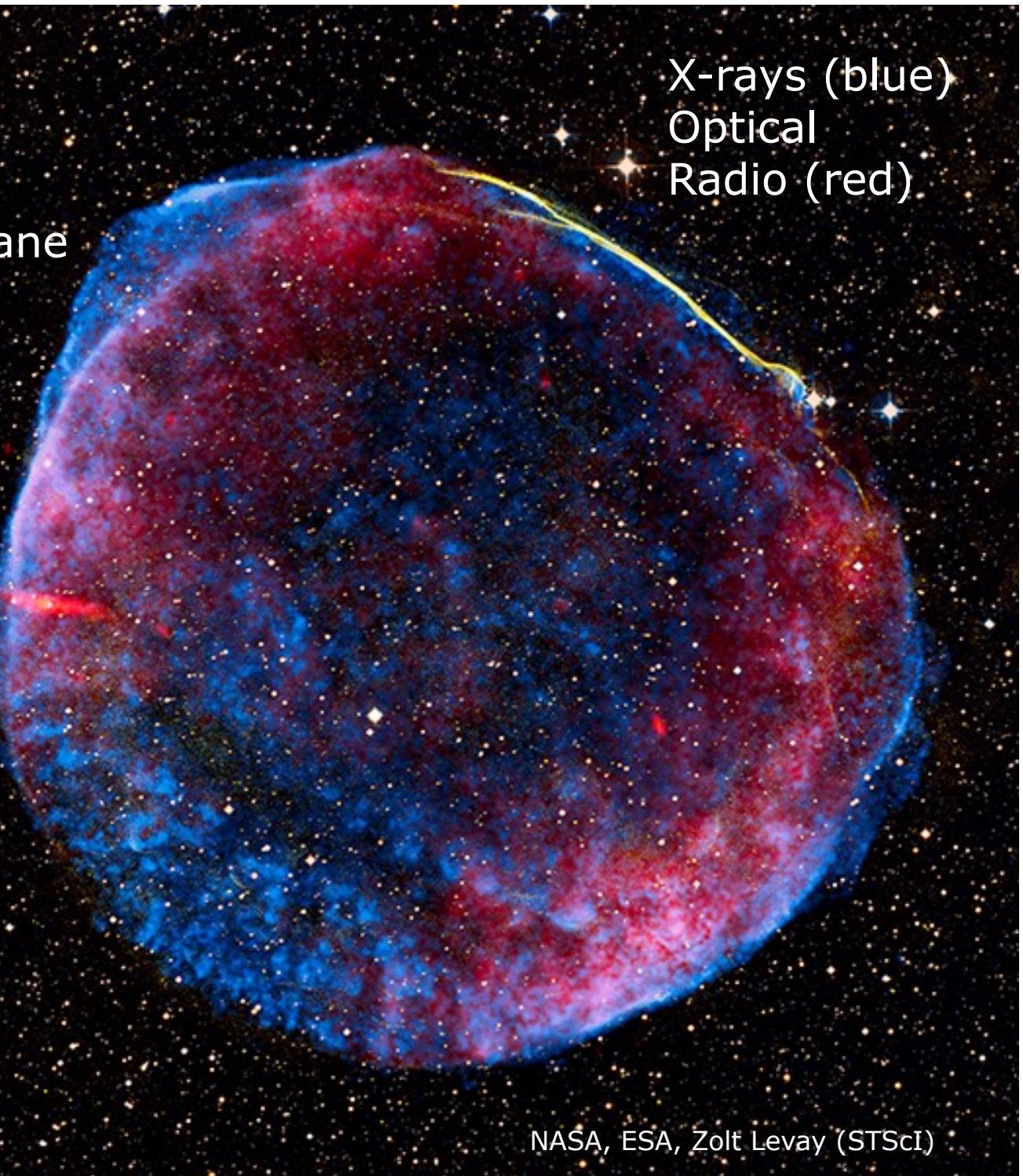
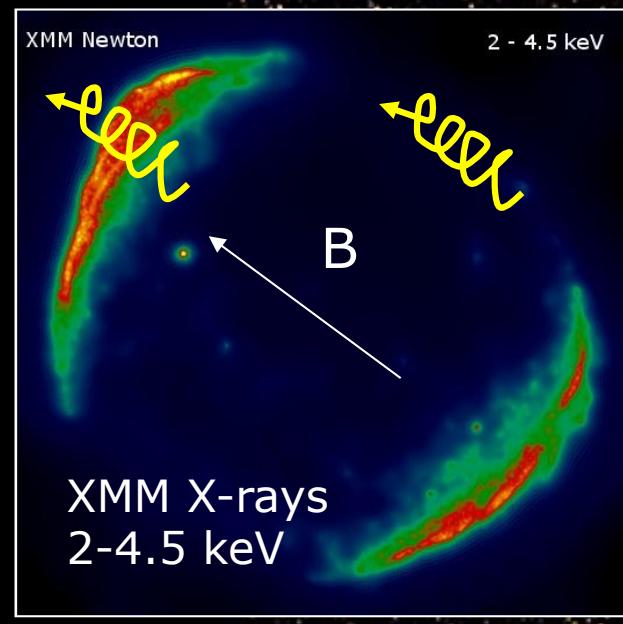


Dynamic field amplification:
 $B^2 \sim \Phi_{CR} \sim \rho_{gas}$?

Supernova 1006

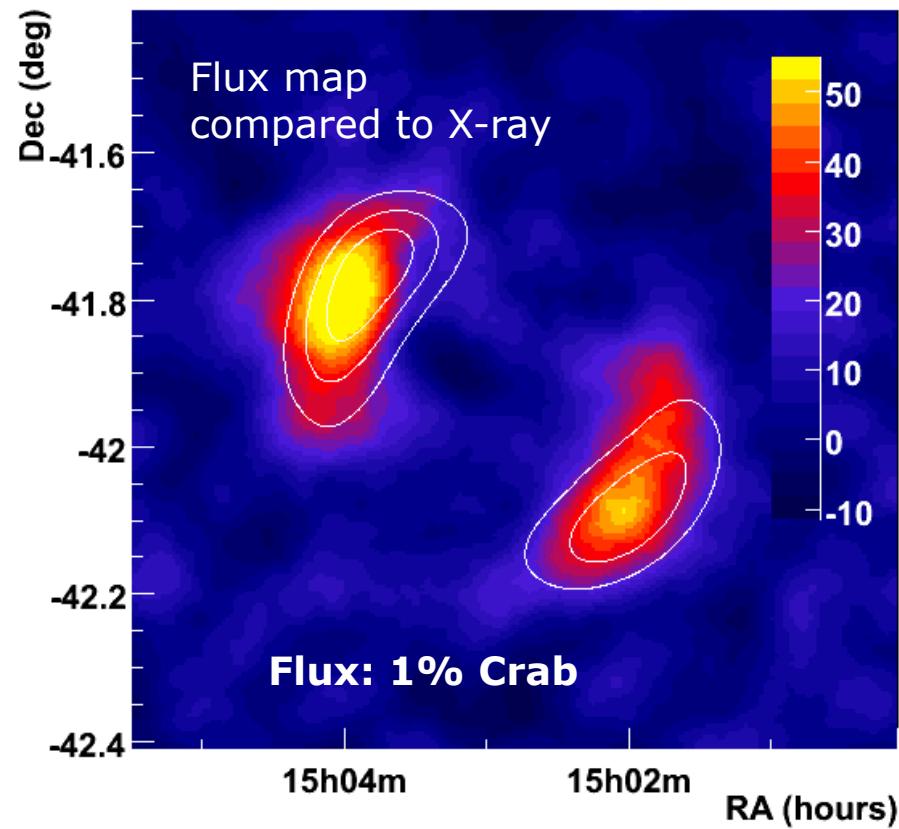
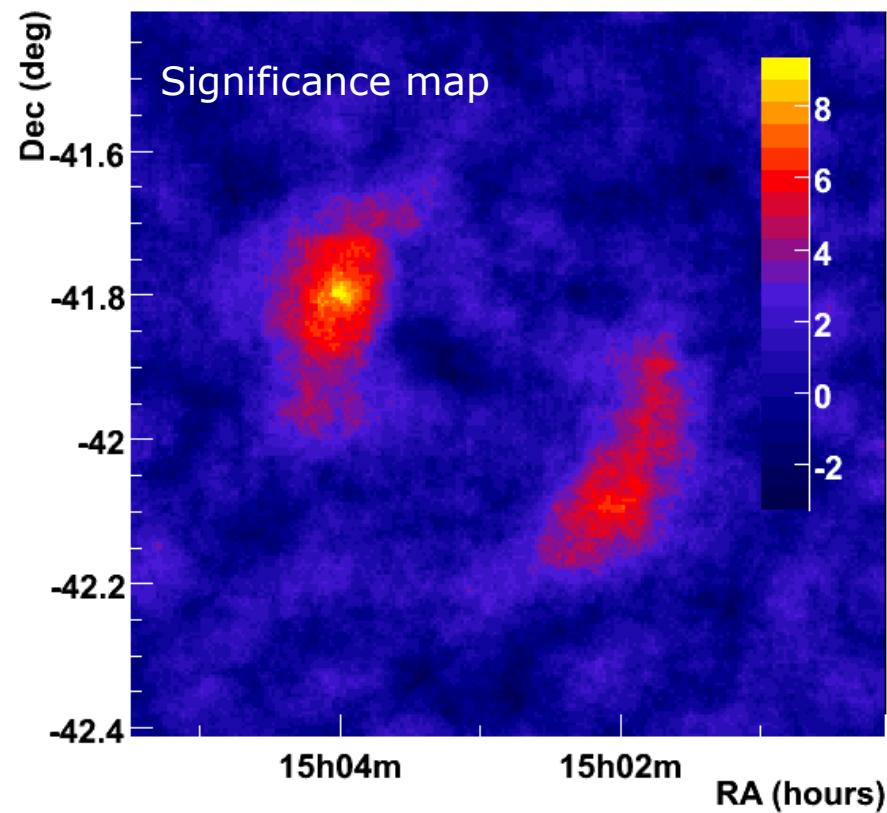
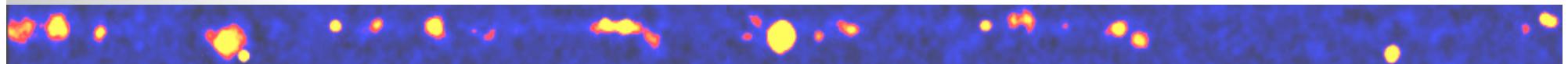
Distance 2.2 kpc
~500 pc above gal. plane
Diameter ~20 pc
Age 1002 y

X-rays (blue)
Optical
Radio (red)



SN 1006 H.E.S.S. 2008

103 h of data



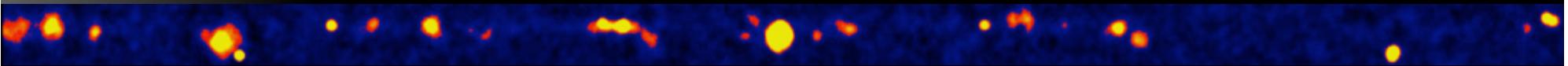
Interpretation

or

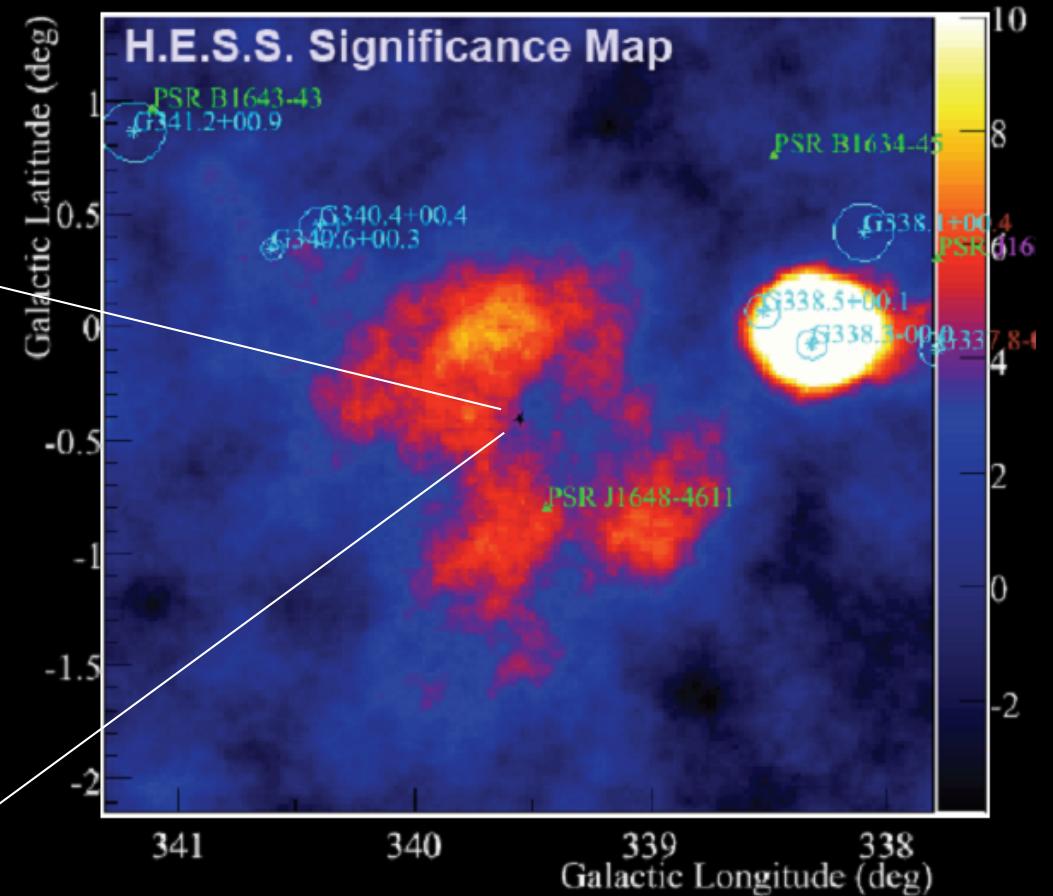
Electrons in $30 \mu\text{G}$ field

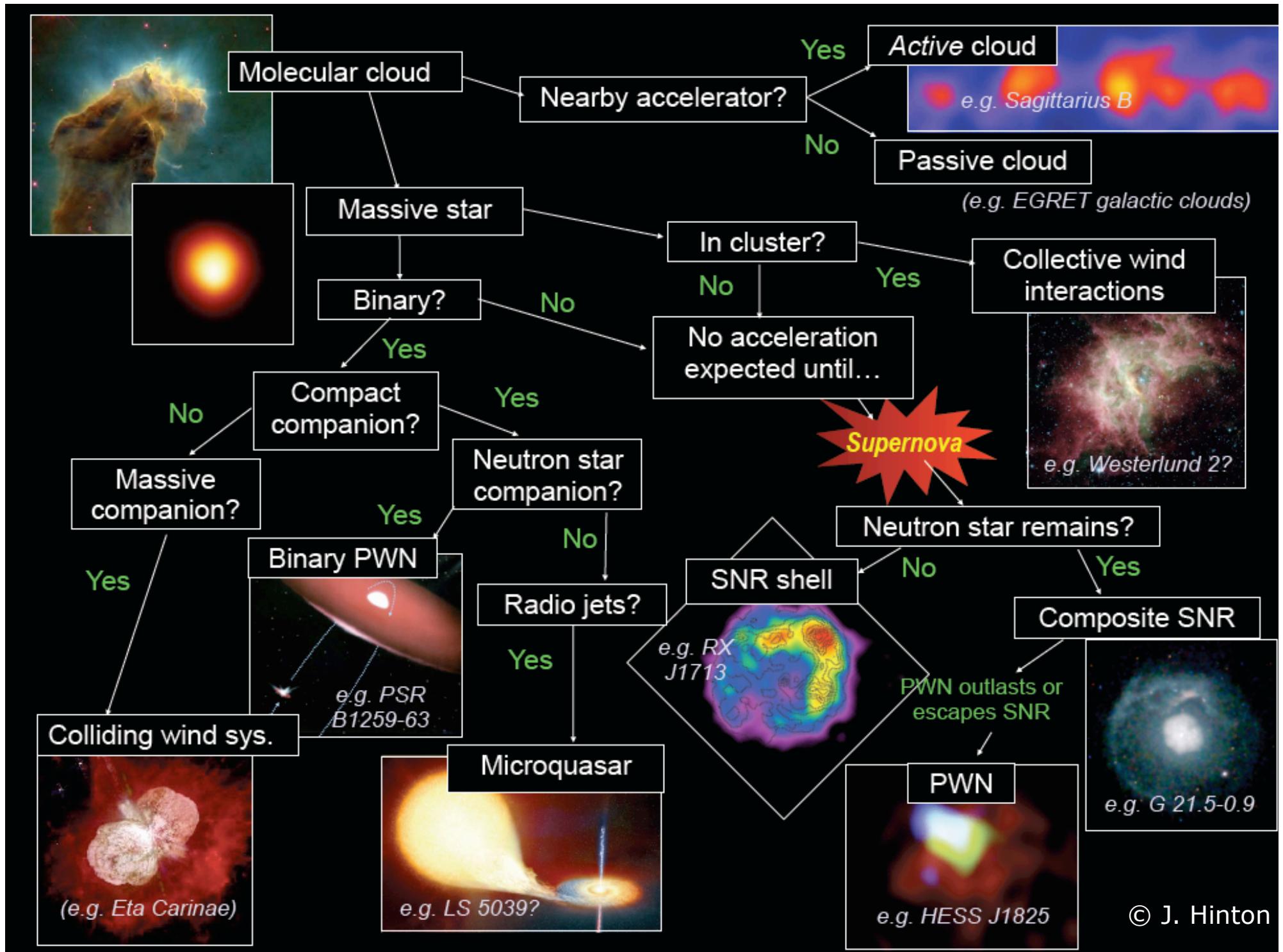
Protons in $0.05/\text{cm}^3$ gas

Westerlund 1 Stellar Cluster

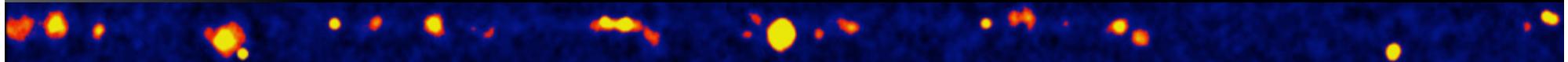


- most massive compact young star cluster
- 5 kpc distance
- 13 WR stars, ~30 hot supergiant stars
- in 0.5° gas bubble

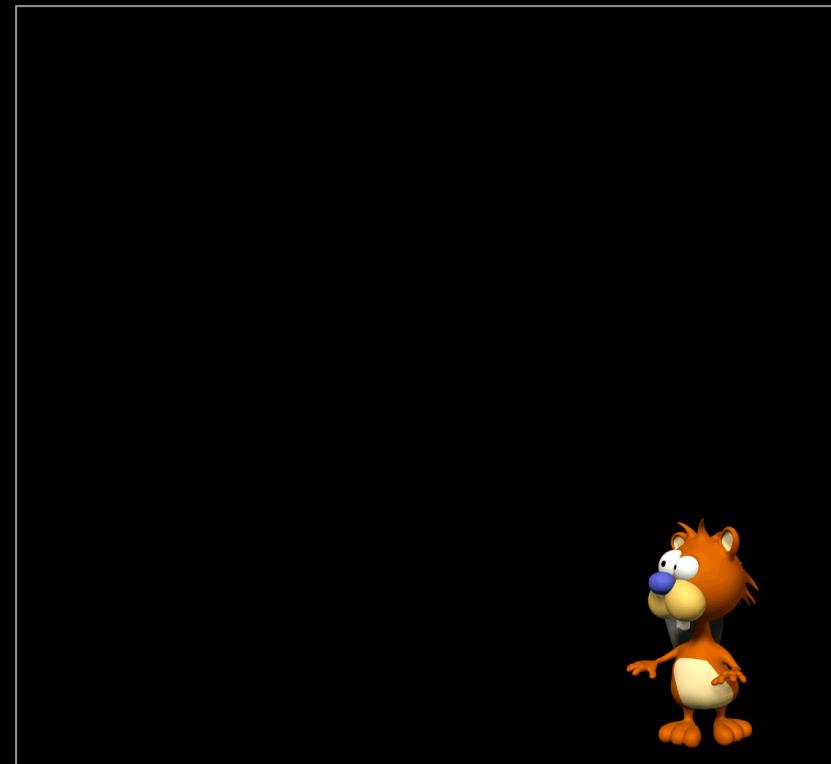




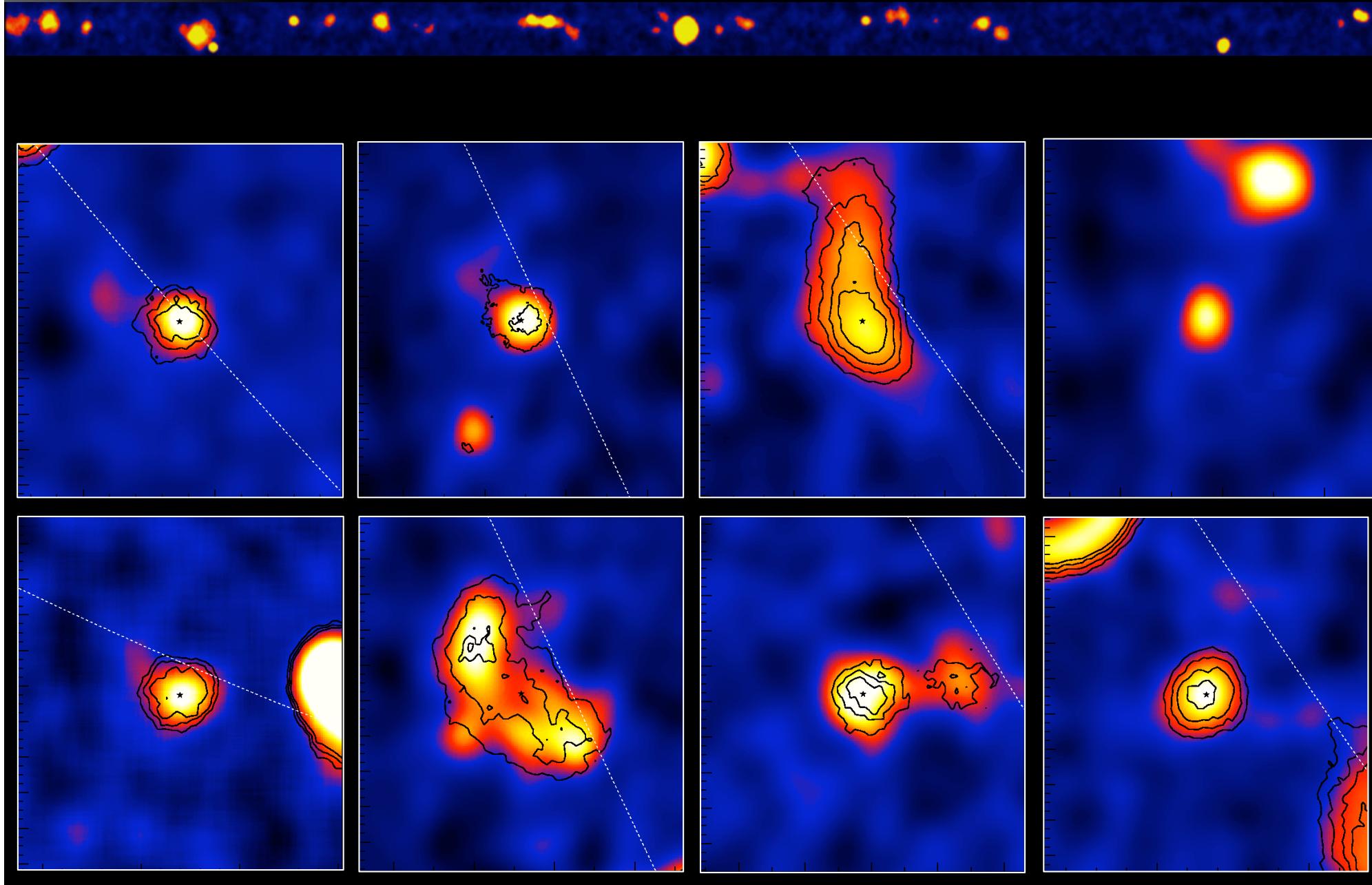
A tour of galactic particle accelerators



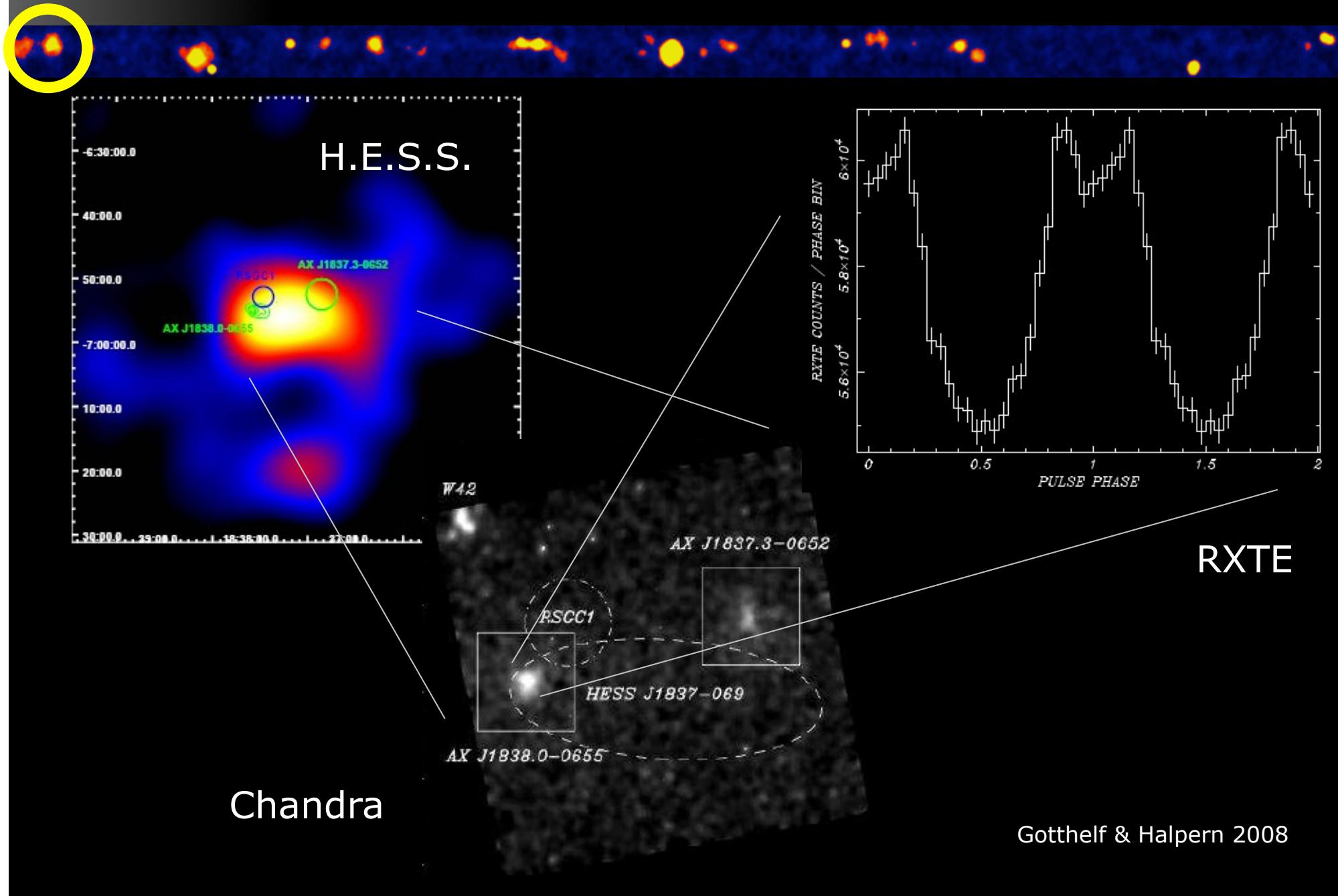
- Binaries
- Pulsar wind nebulae
- Supernova remnants
- Star clusters
- “Dark sources”



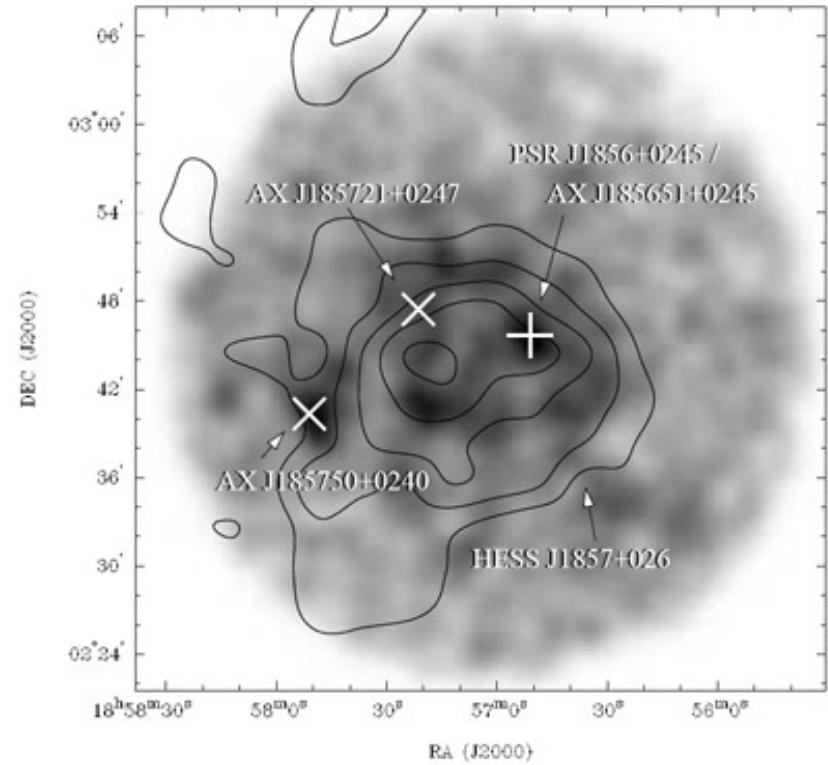
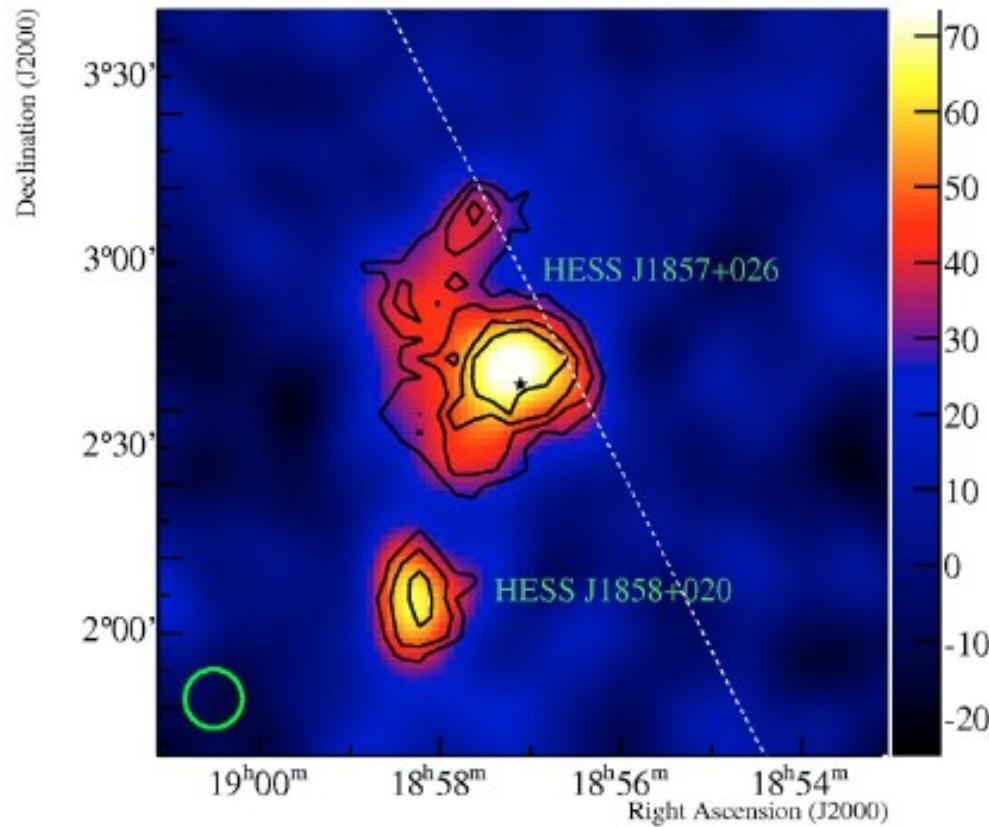
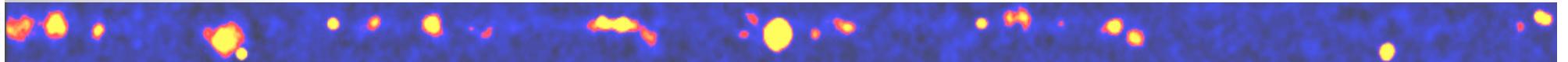
Sources without (known) counterparts



Not all remain dark... HESS J1837-069

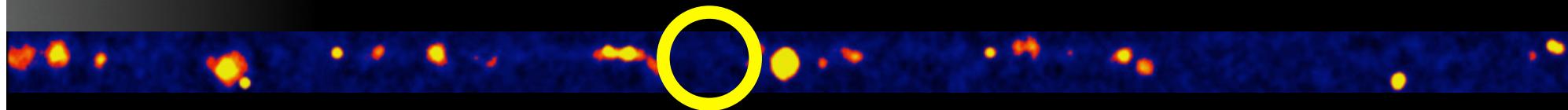


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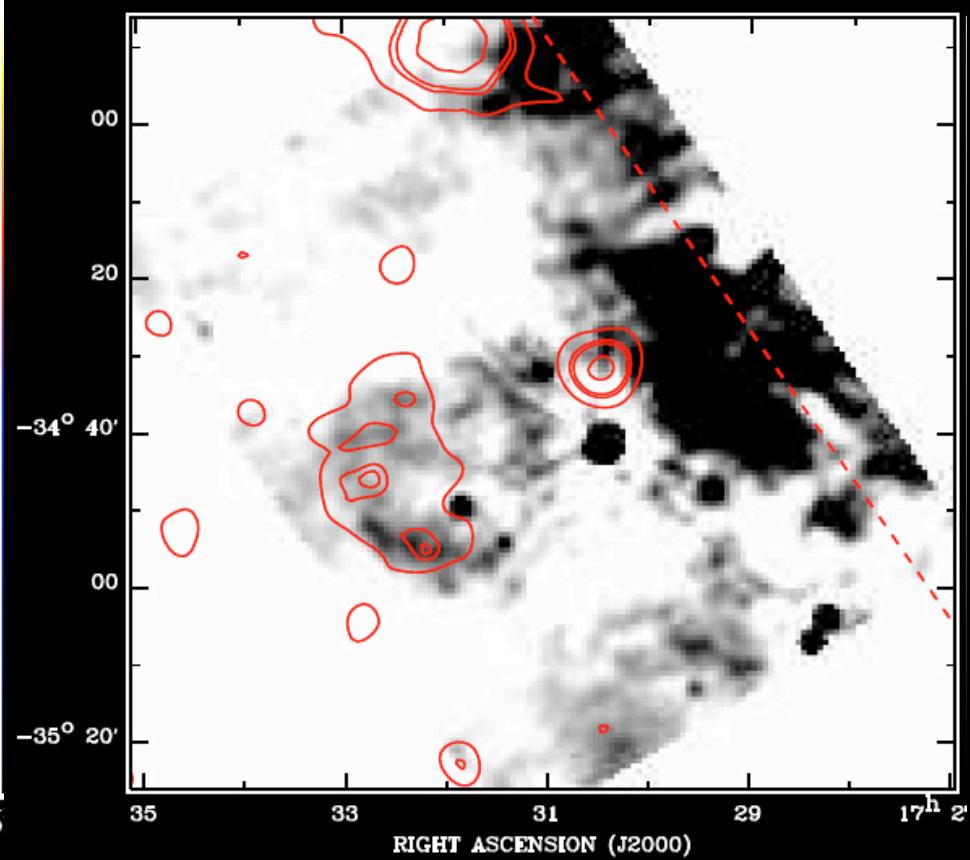
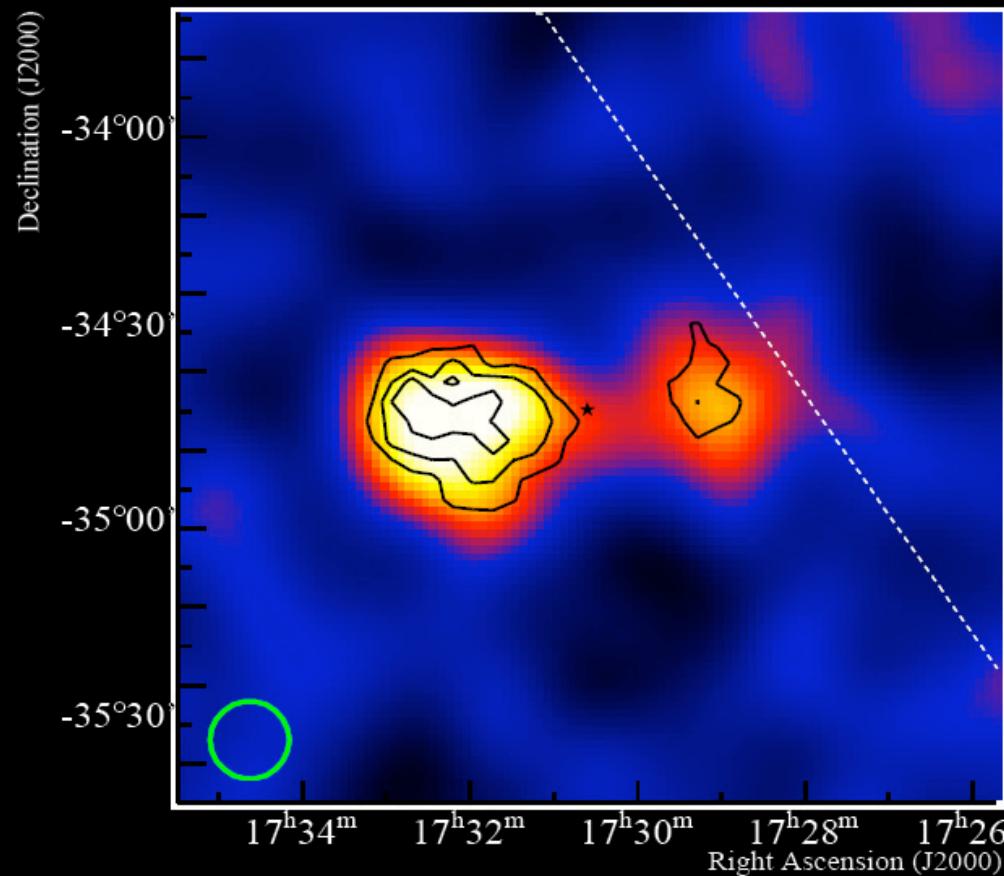


PSR J1856+0245 discovery
Hessels et al. 2008, Arecibo
period 81 ms,
spin-down energy loss 4.6×10^{36} ergs/s
age 21000 y
distance 9 kpc

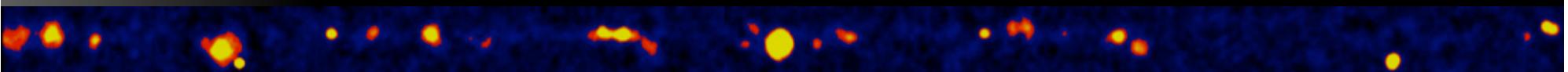
Not all remain dark... HESS J1731-347



HESS J1731-347
Tian et al., arXiv:0801.3254

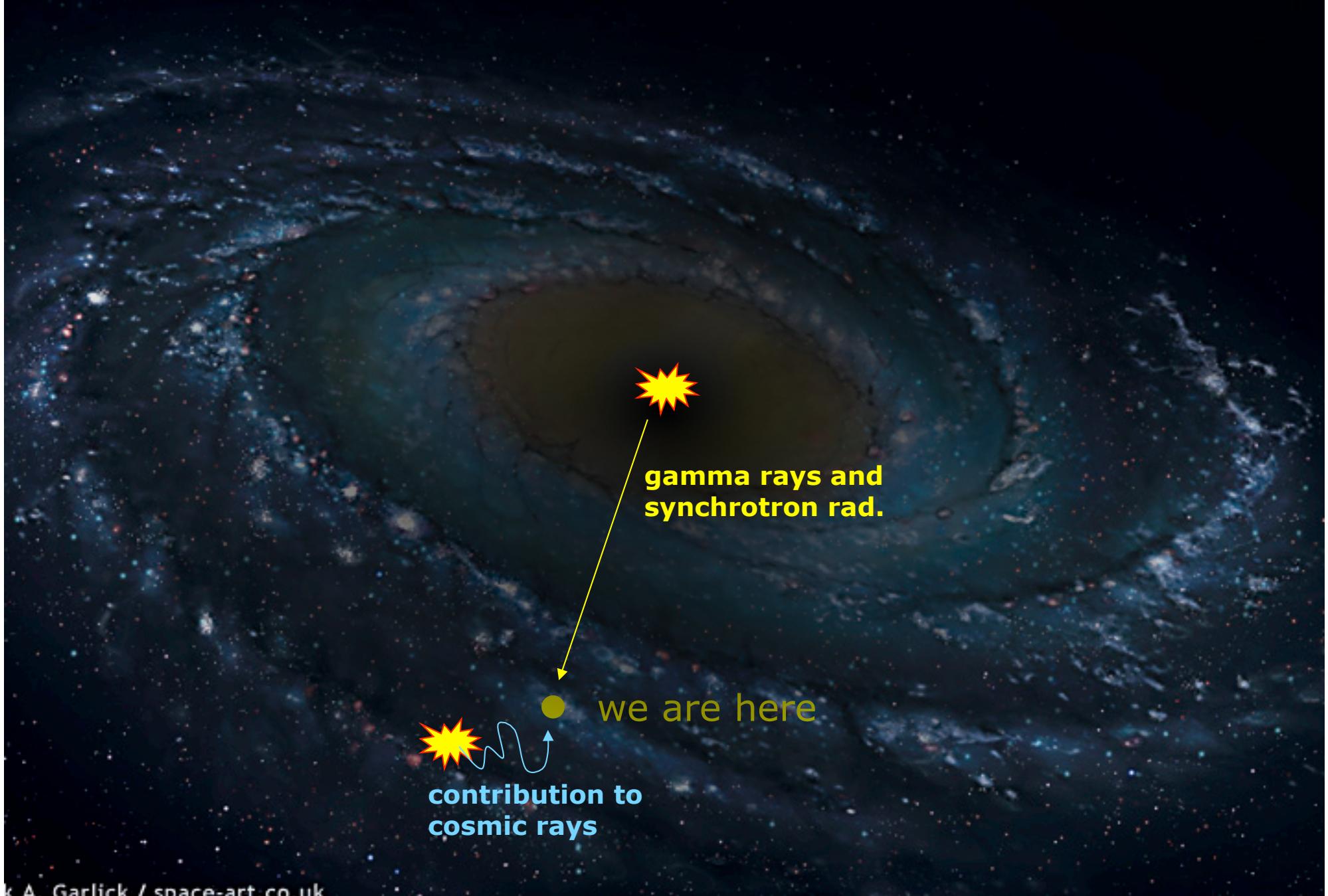


Recent news

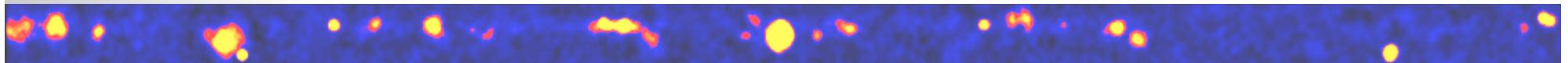


Electrons: Dark Matter & H.E.S.S. ?
UHECR sources ?

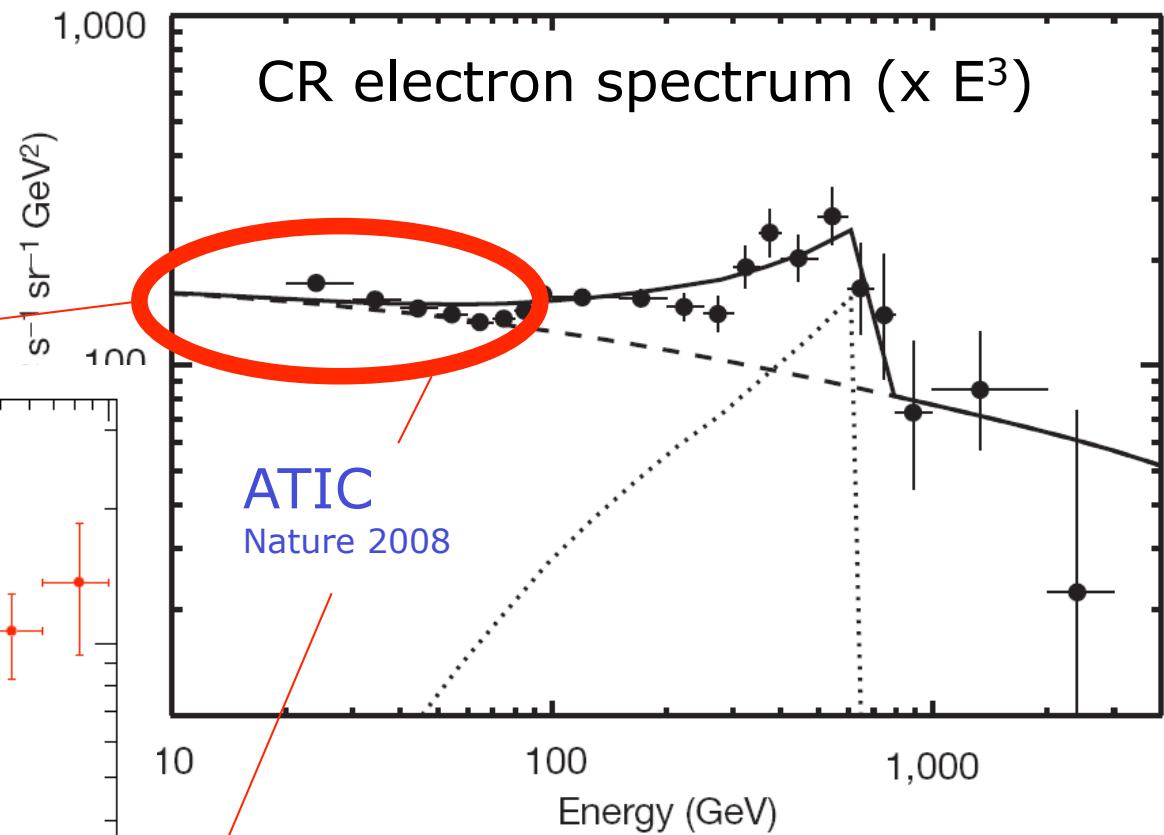
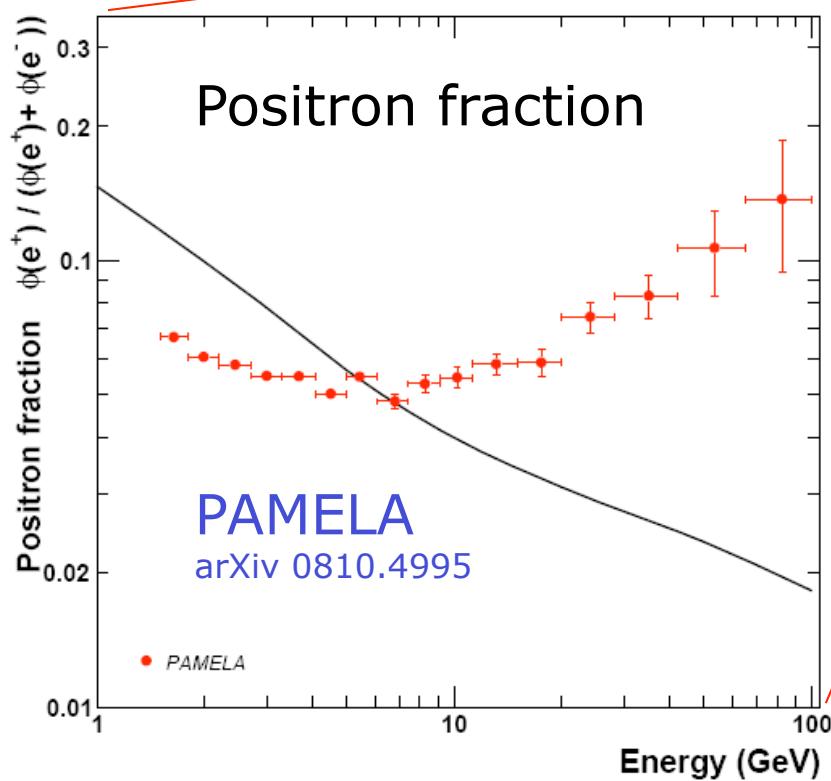
Dark Matter in the Galaxy



ATIC & PAMELA Cosmic Ray Electron News

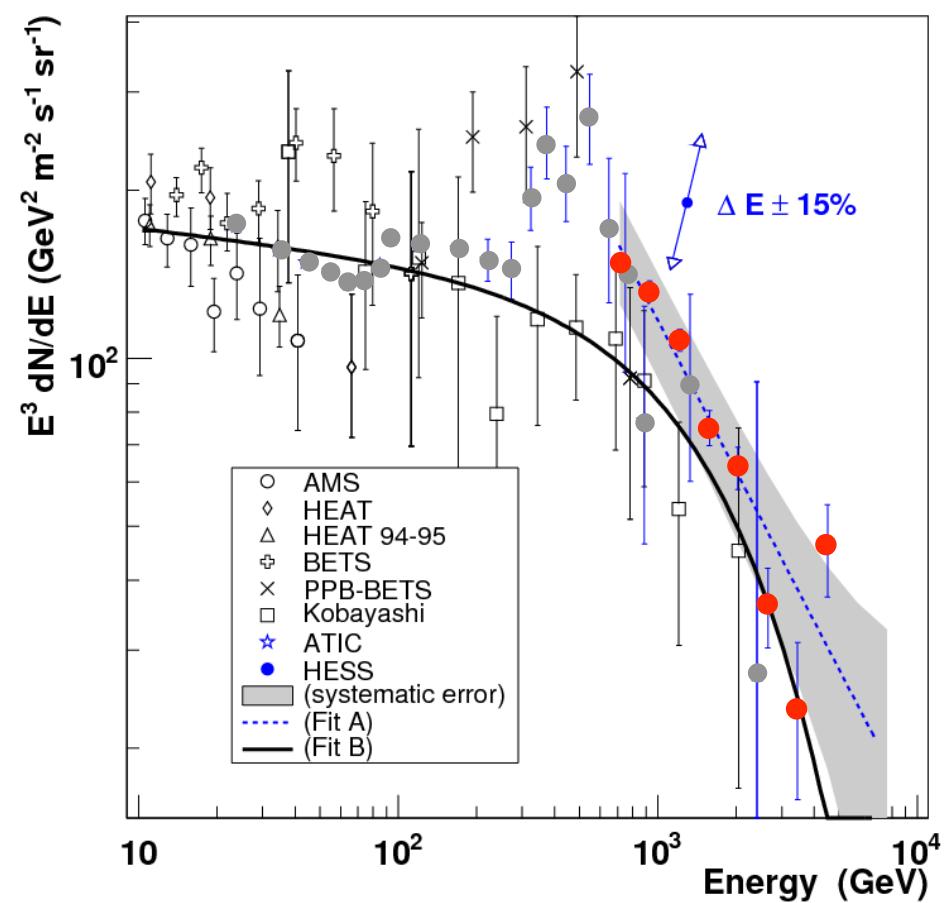
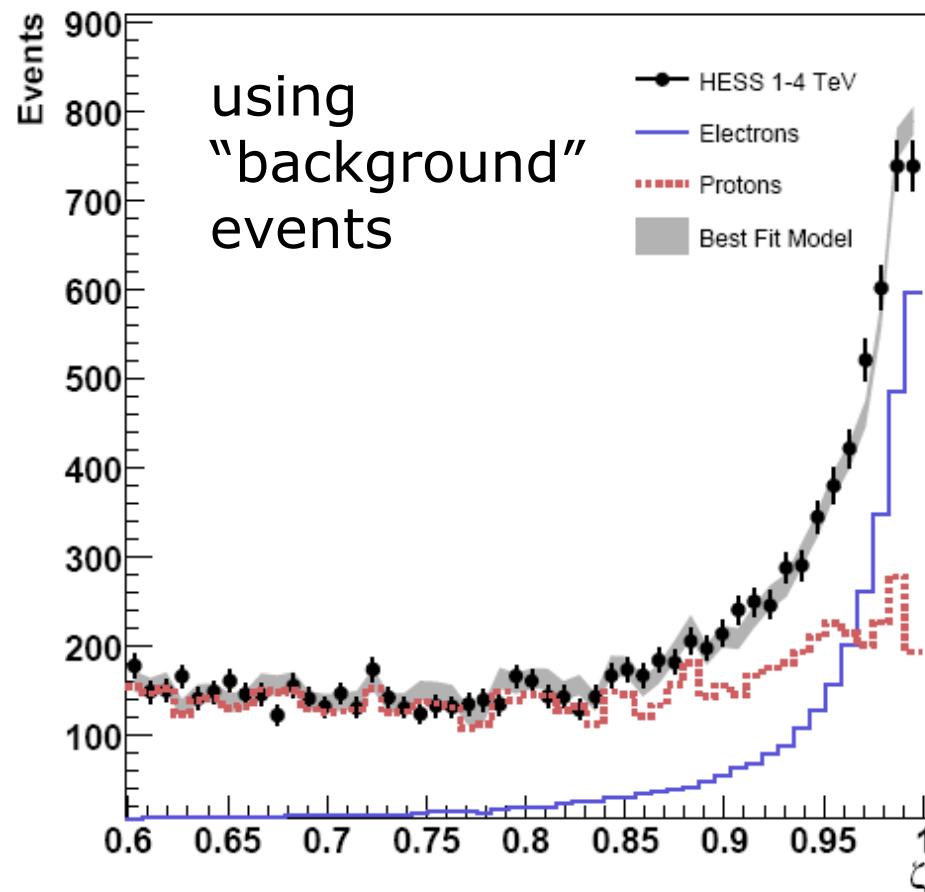
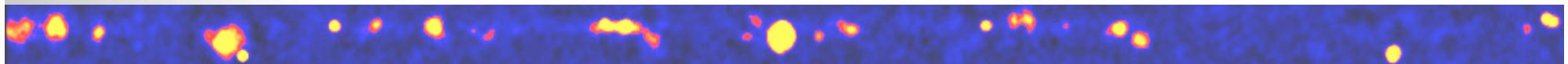


No anomaly seen
in antiprotons...



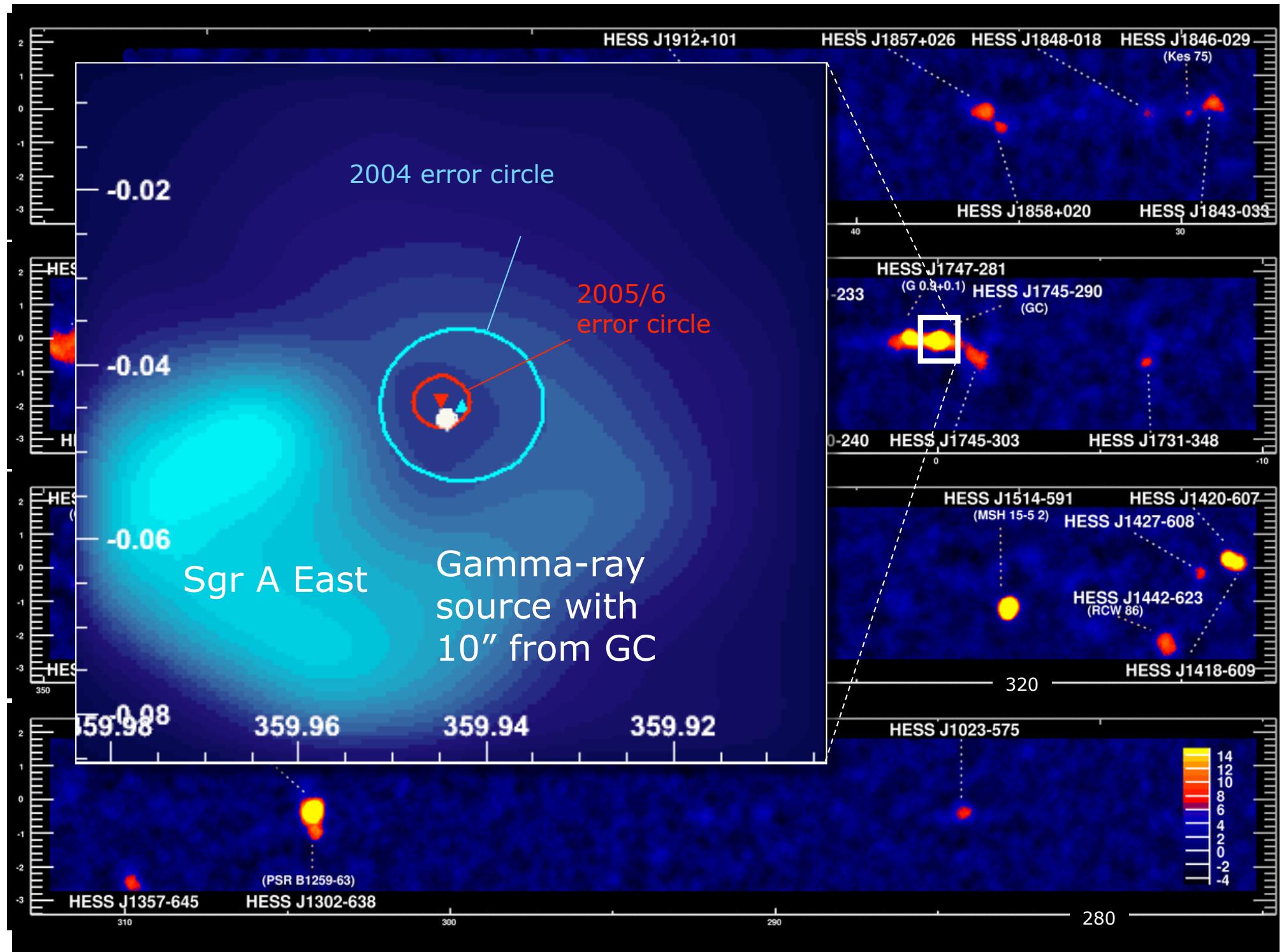
Possible explanation:
> 600 GeV DM particle which decays to e^+e^- , $\mu^+\mu^-$, $\tau^+\tau^-$

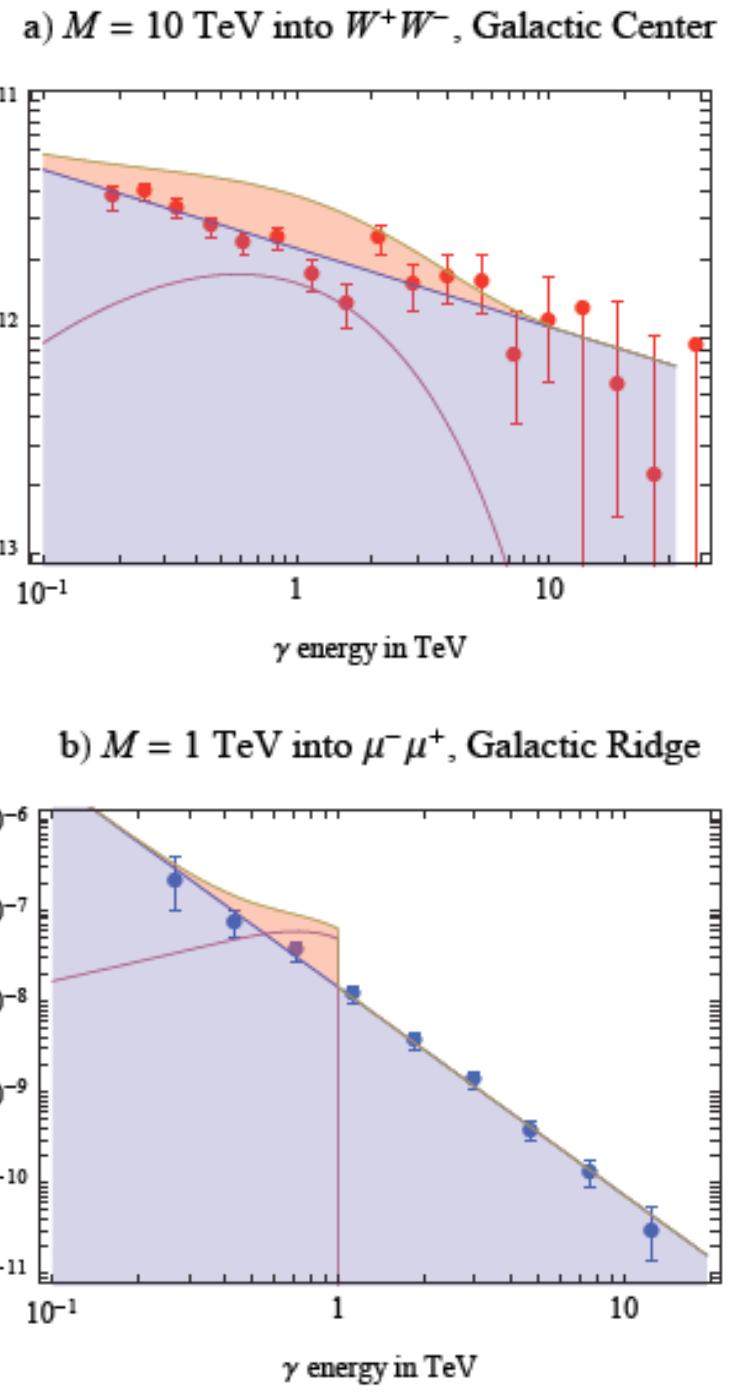
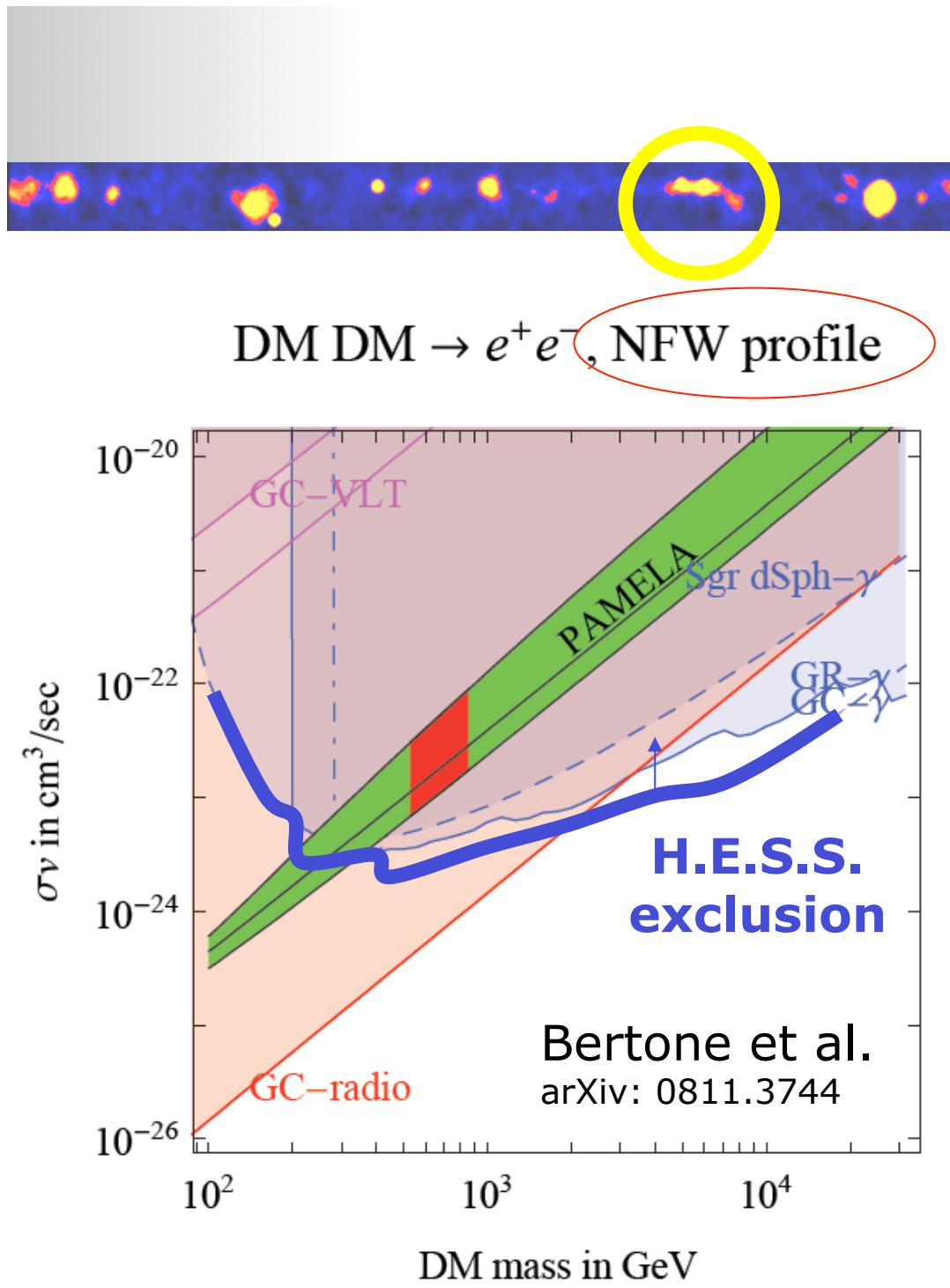
H.E.S.S. electron spectrum



$\zeta = 0$: proton shower

$\zeta = 1$: γ / electron shower



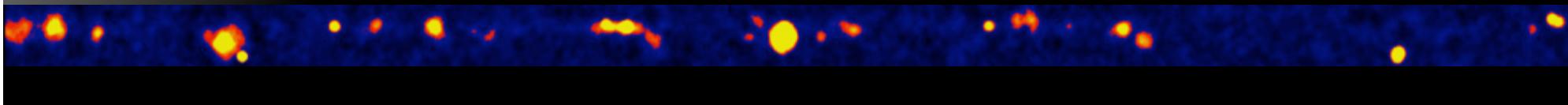


Simpler explanation: Pulsars

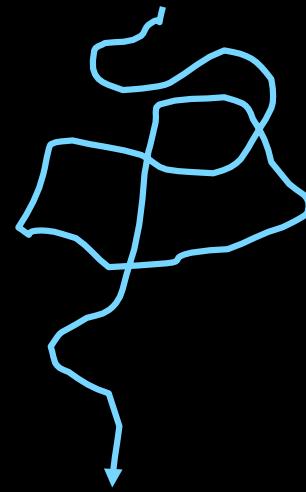
Atoyan et al. 1995

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Profumo 2008



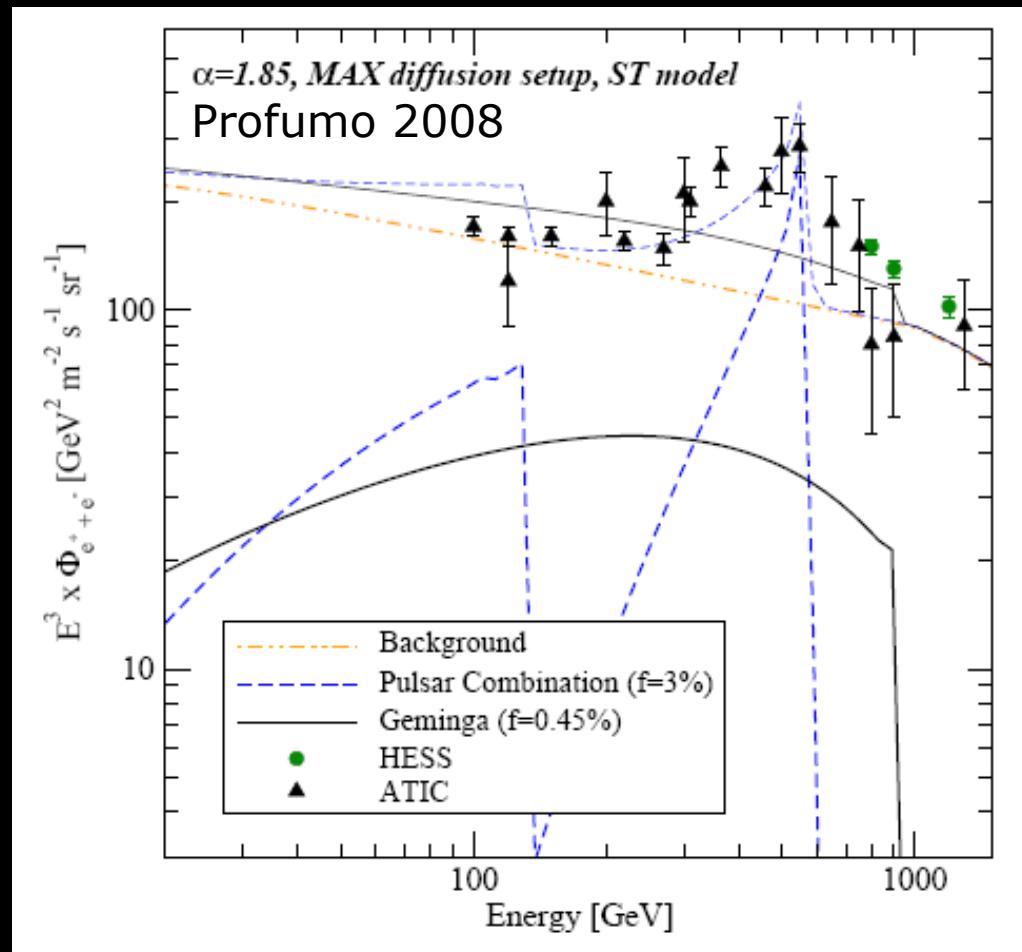
Generates burst
at time of pulsar
creation



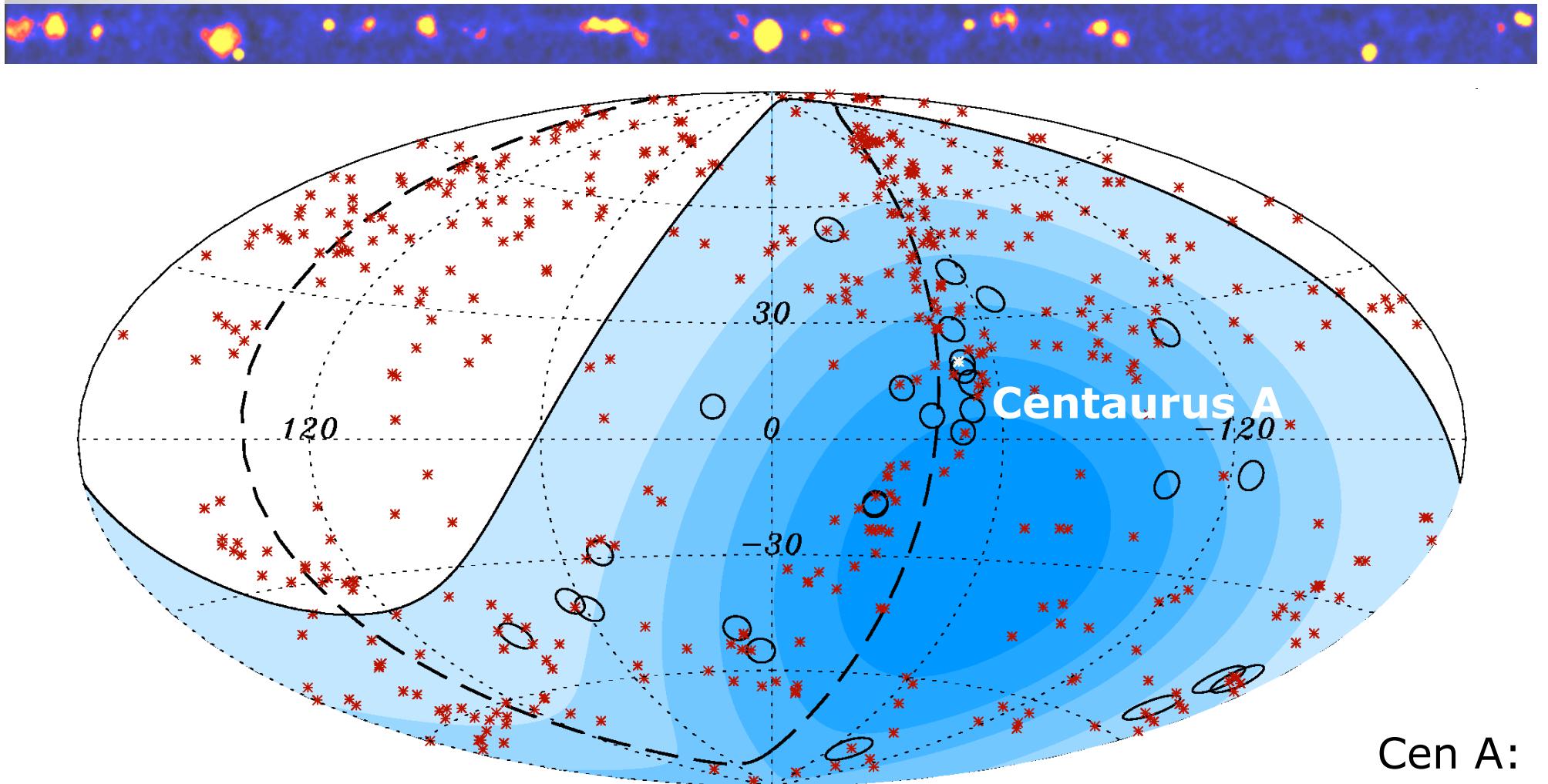
Synchrotron losses
result in high-E
cutoff as a function
of age; tune age to
match peak energy



Tune pulsar distance
such that only
particles just below
the cutoff reach us



Beyond our Galaxy

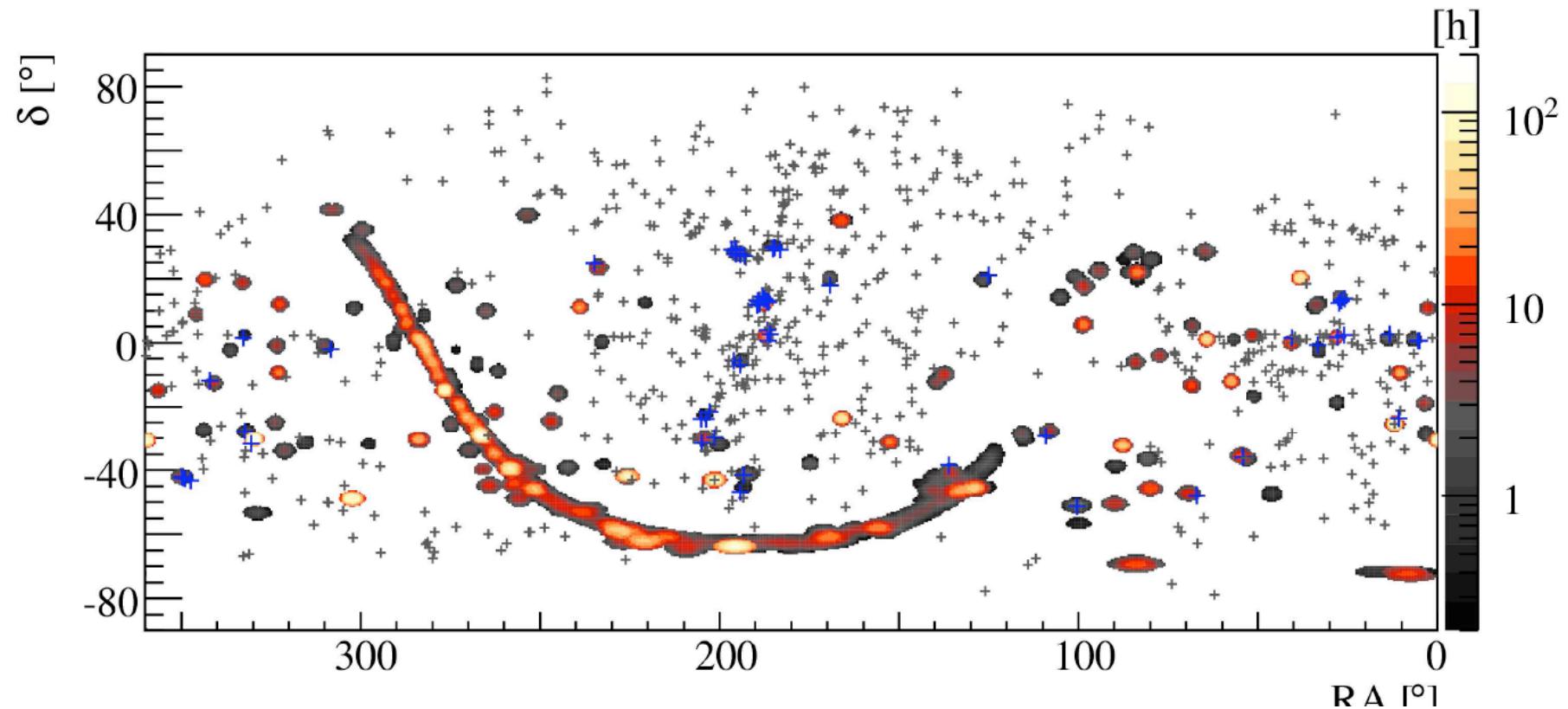
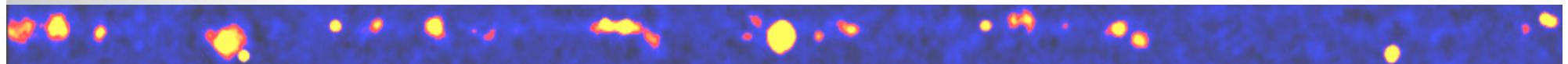


AUGER
UHECR map

Cen A:
nearest radio galaxy
 6×10^7 solar mass BH
4 Mpc distance
4° radio lobes

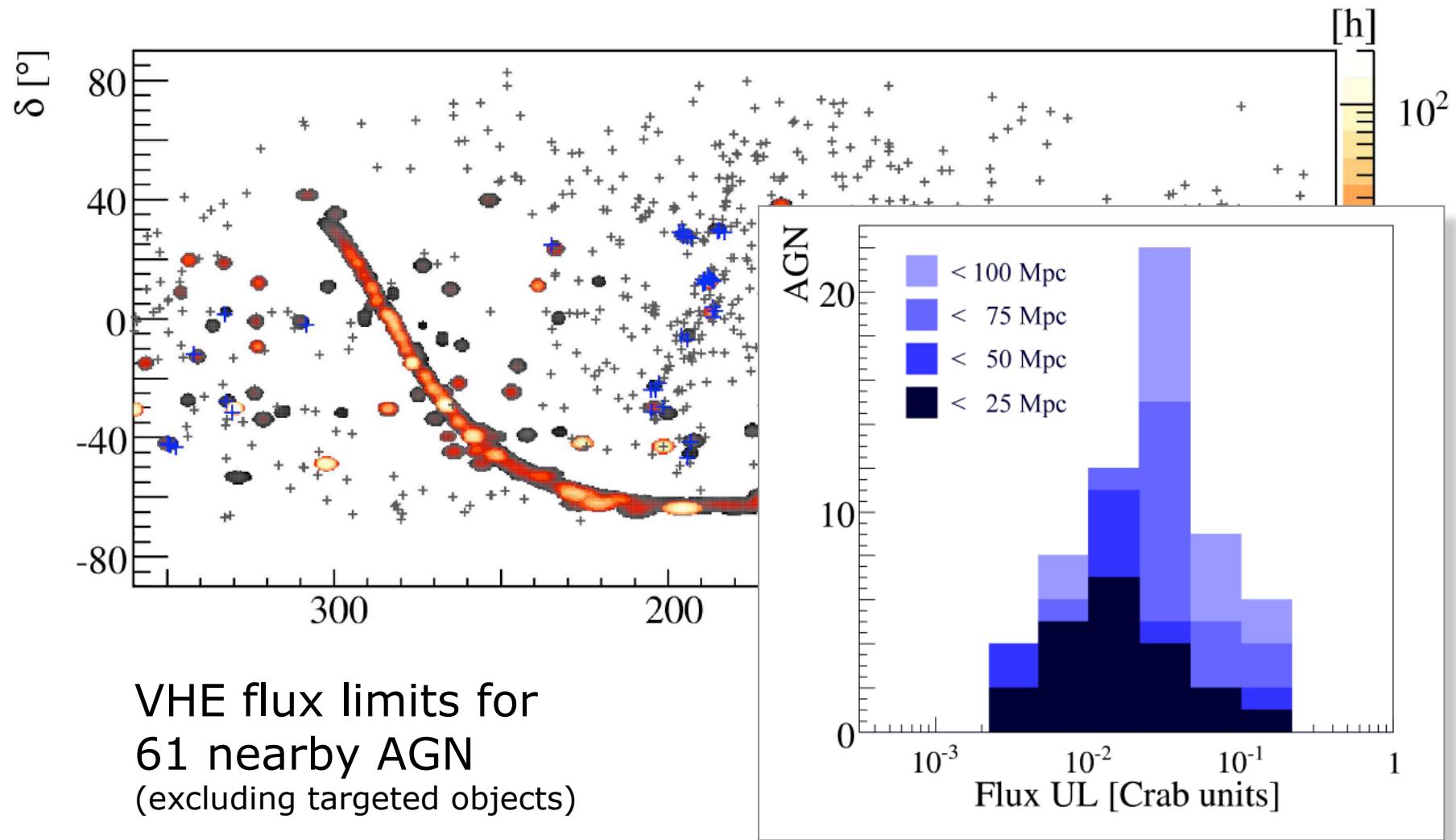
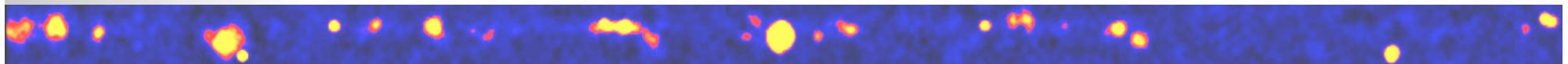


H.E.S.S. Extragalactic Coverage

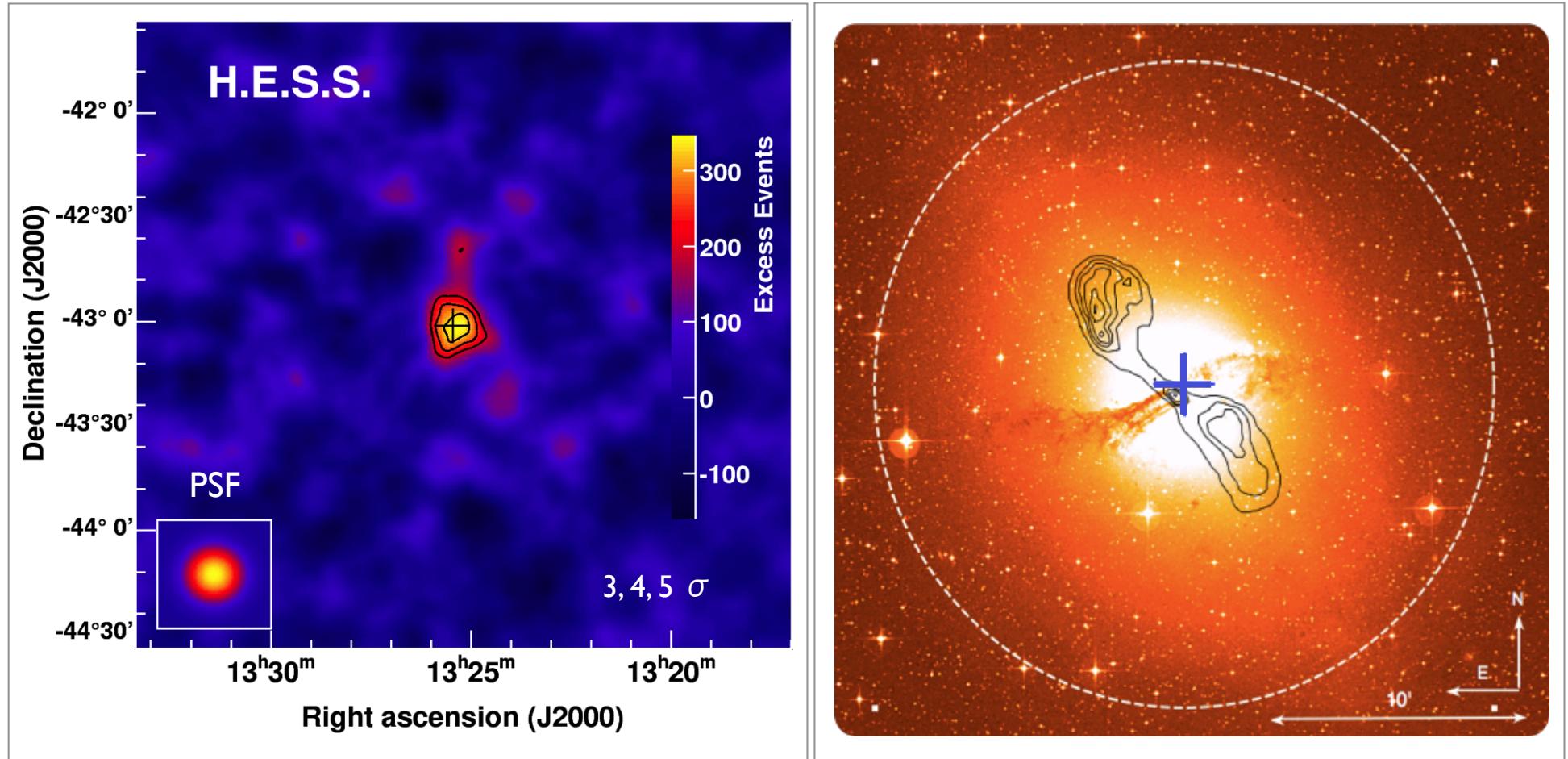
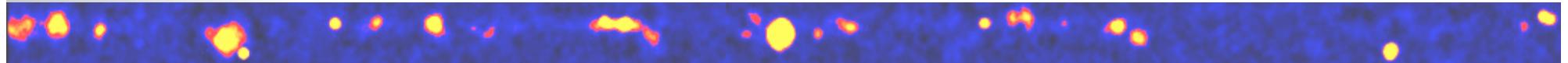


- more than 0.6 sr of extragalactic space covered
- including about 100 "Auger" AGN within 100 Mpc
- $1 \times 10^{20} \text{ eV particle} / 5000 \text{ km}^2 \text{y} \approx 10^{-13} \text{ ergs/cm}^2 \text{s}$

H.E.S.S. Extragalactic Coverage



Centaurus A

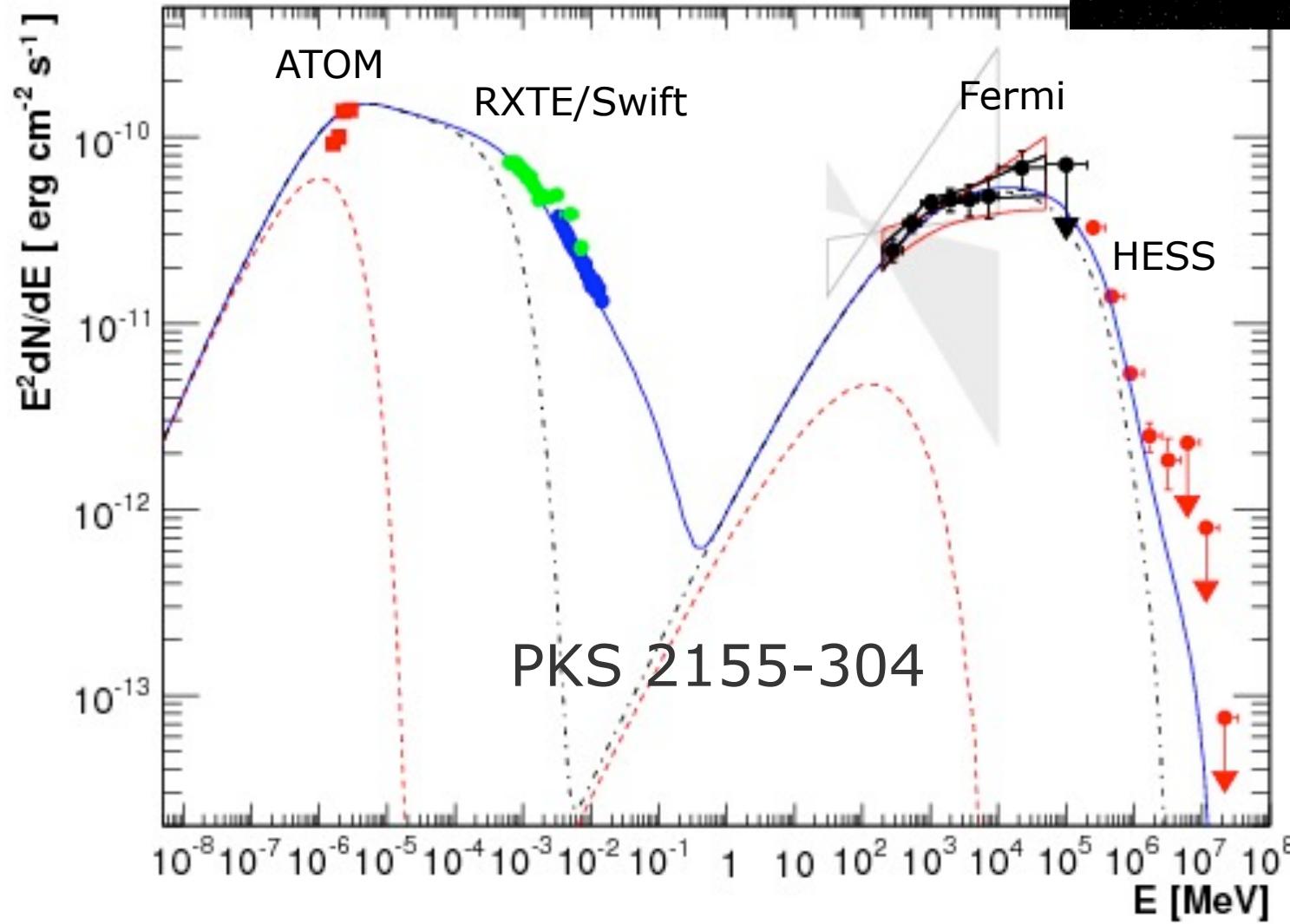
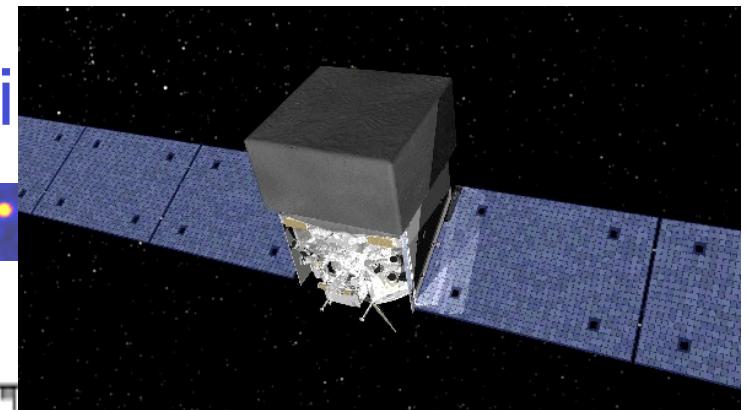
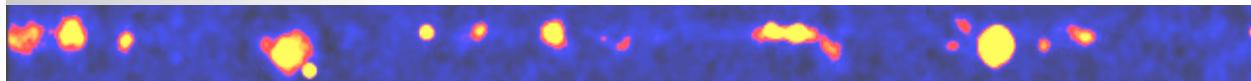


Flux $\sim 0.8\%$ Crab
Spectral index $2.7 \pm 0.5 \pm 0.2$

► M. Raue, Moriond

***VHE gamma ray astronomy
is a key tool in the challenge
of investigating the nonthermal Universe***

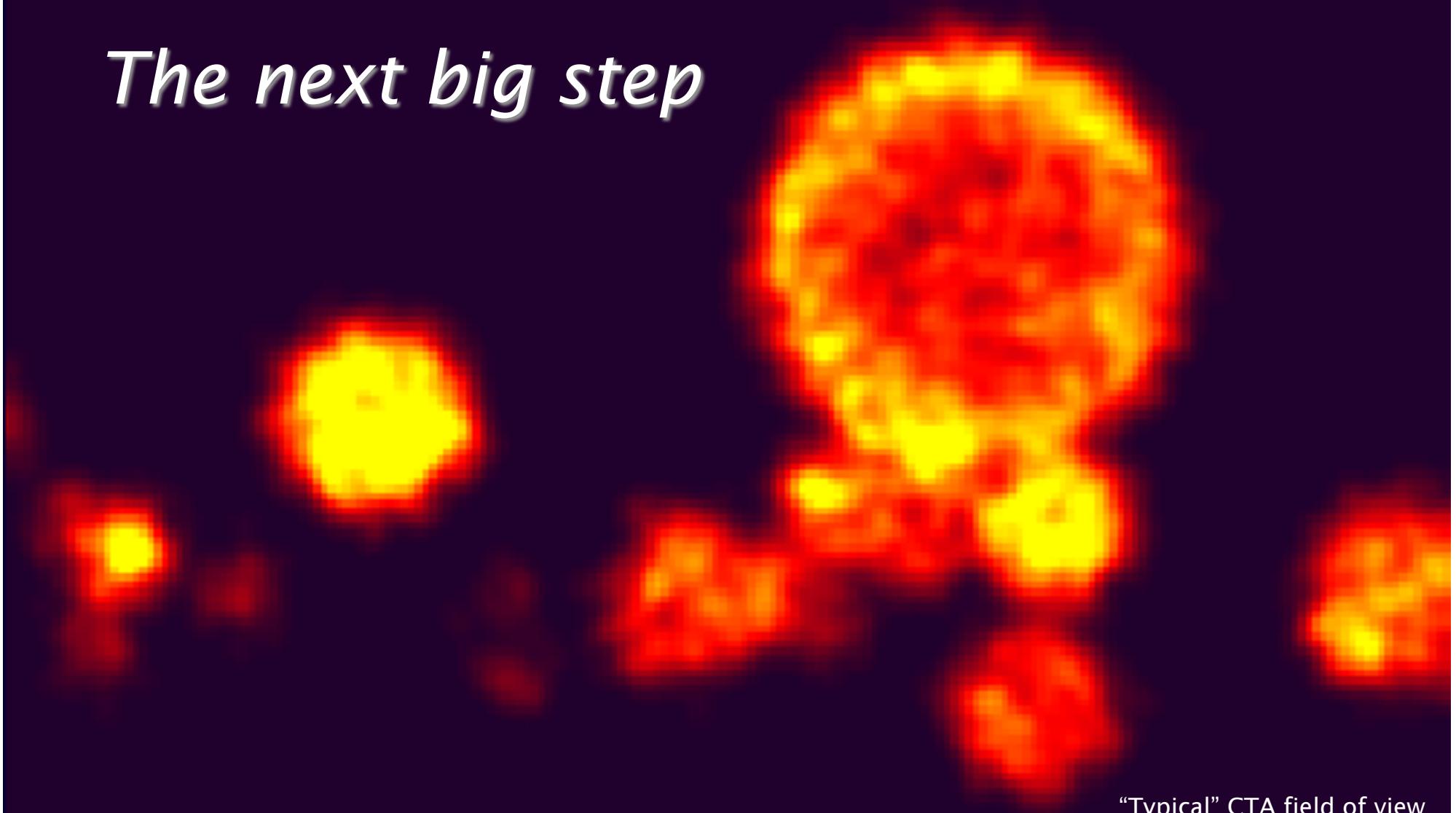
What's next? H.E.S.S. & Fermi



What's next? H.E.S.S. Phase II



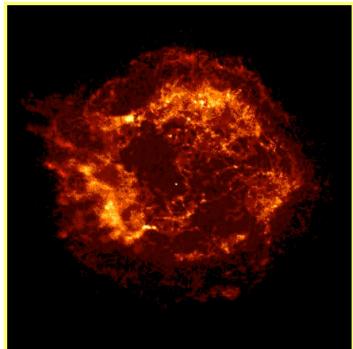
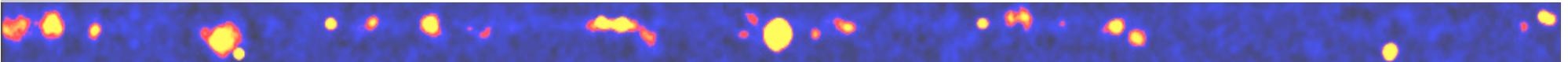
The next big step



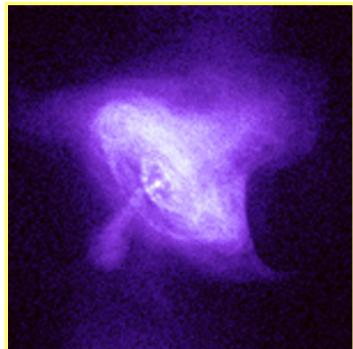
"Typical" CTA field of view

CTA - the Cherenkov Telescope Array
An advanced facility for ground-based gamma-ray astronomy

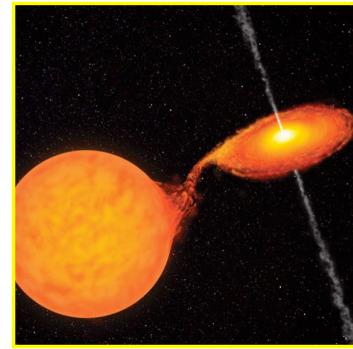
Scientific Objectives



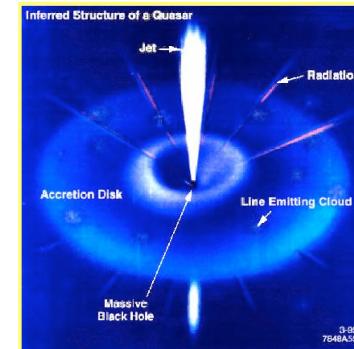
SNRs



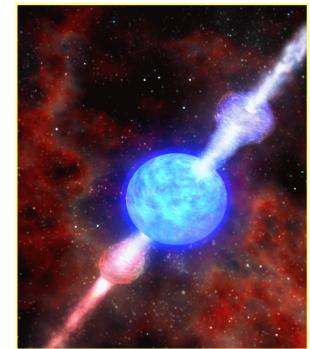
Pulsars
and PWN



Micro quasars
X-ray binaries



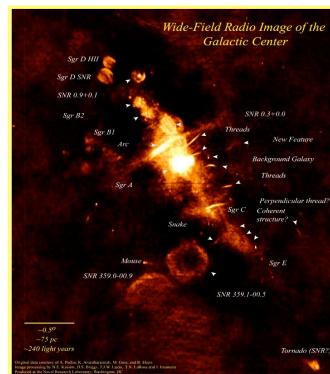
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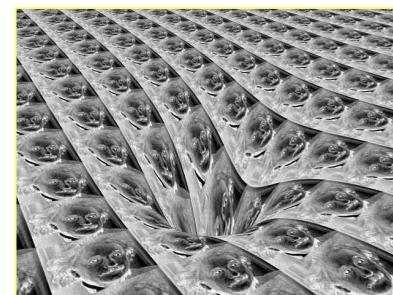
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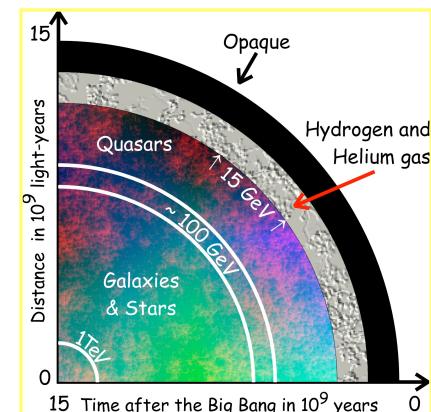
Origin of
cosmic rays



Dark matter

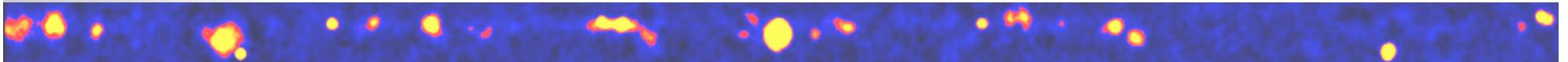


Space-time
& relativity



Cosmology

Wish list for CTA

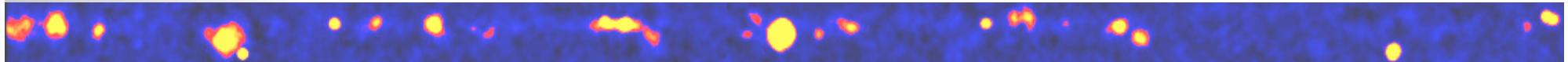


- Higher sensitivity at TeV energies (x 10)
more sources, details in extended sources
- Lower threshold (some 10 GeV)
pulsars, distant AGN, source mechanisms
- Higher energy reach (100s of TeV)
cutoff region of Galactic accelerators
- Wider field of view
extended sources, surveys
- Improved angular resolution
structure of extended sources
- Higher detection rates
transient phenomena



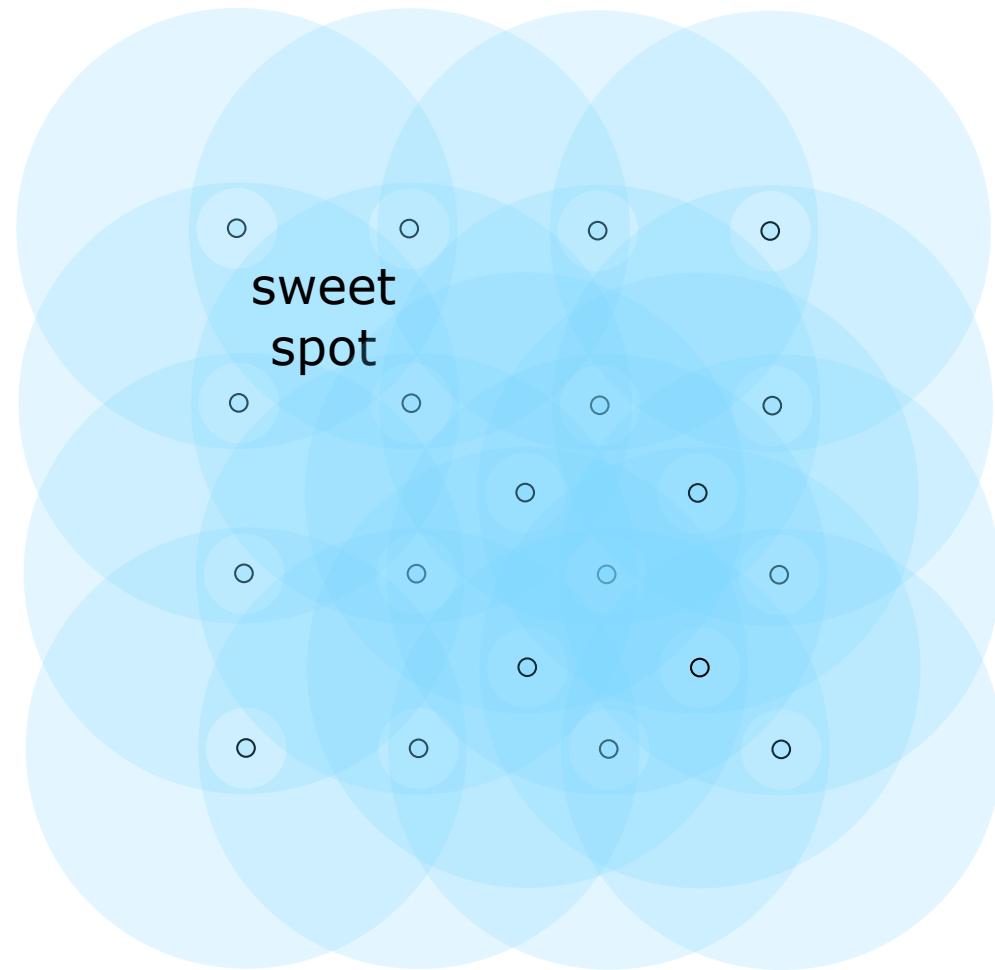
Boosting sensitivity & resolution

Arrays of Cherenkov telescopes



← 300 m →

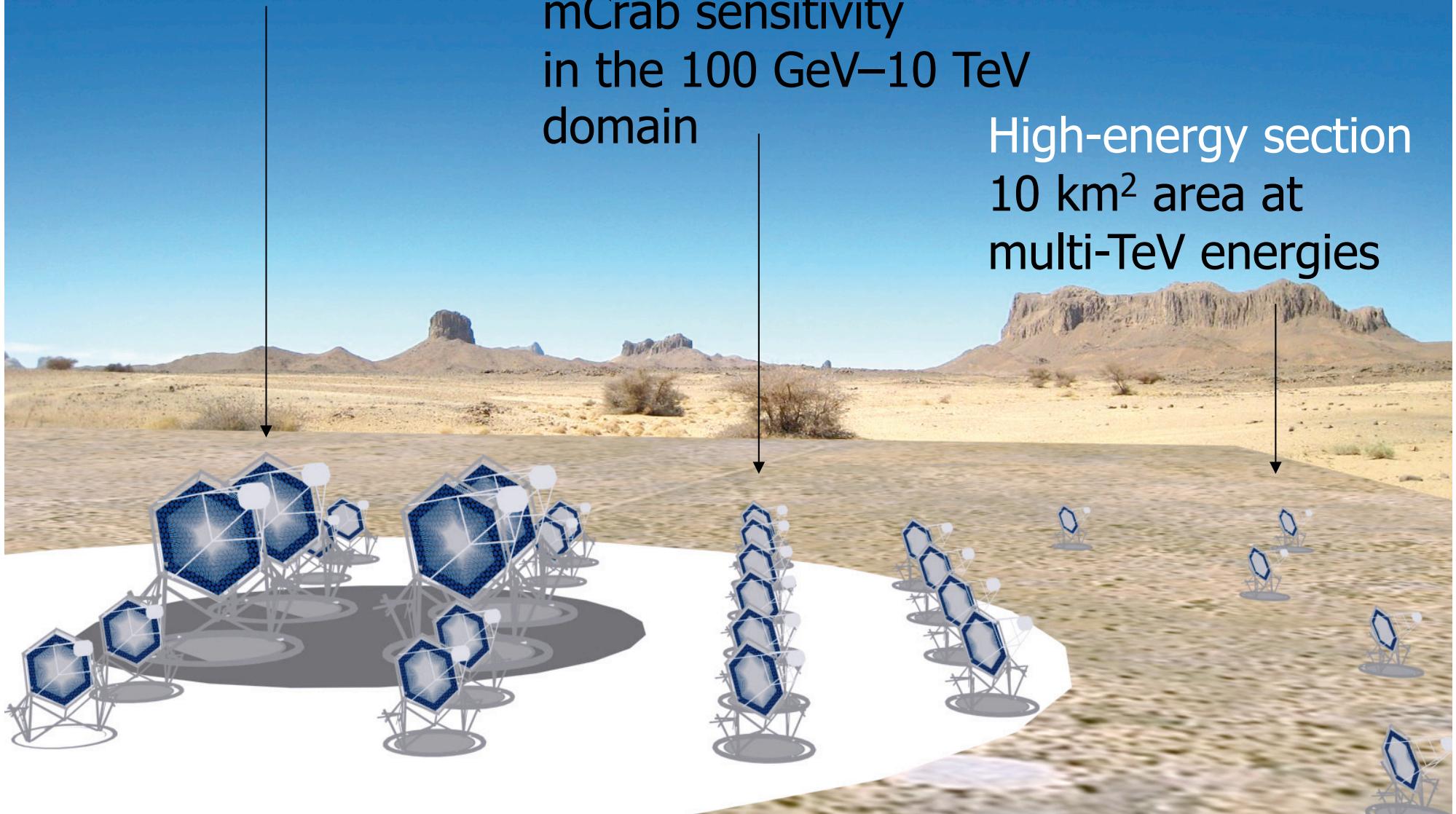
Single telescope



Low-energy section
energy threshold
of some 10 GeV

Core array:
mCrab sensitivity
in the 100 GeV–10 TeV
domain

High-energy section
10 km² area at
multi-TeV energies



CTA observation modes

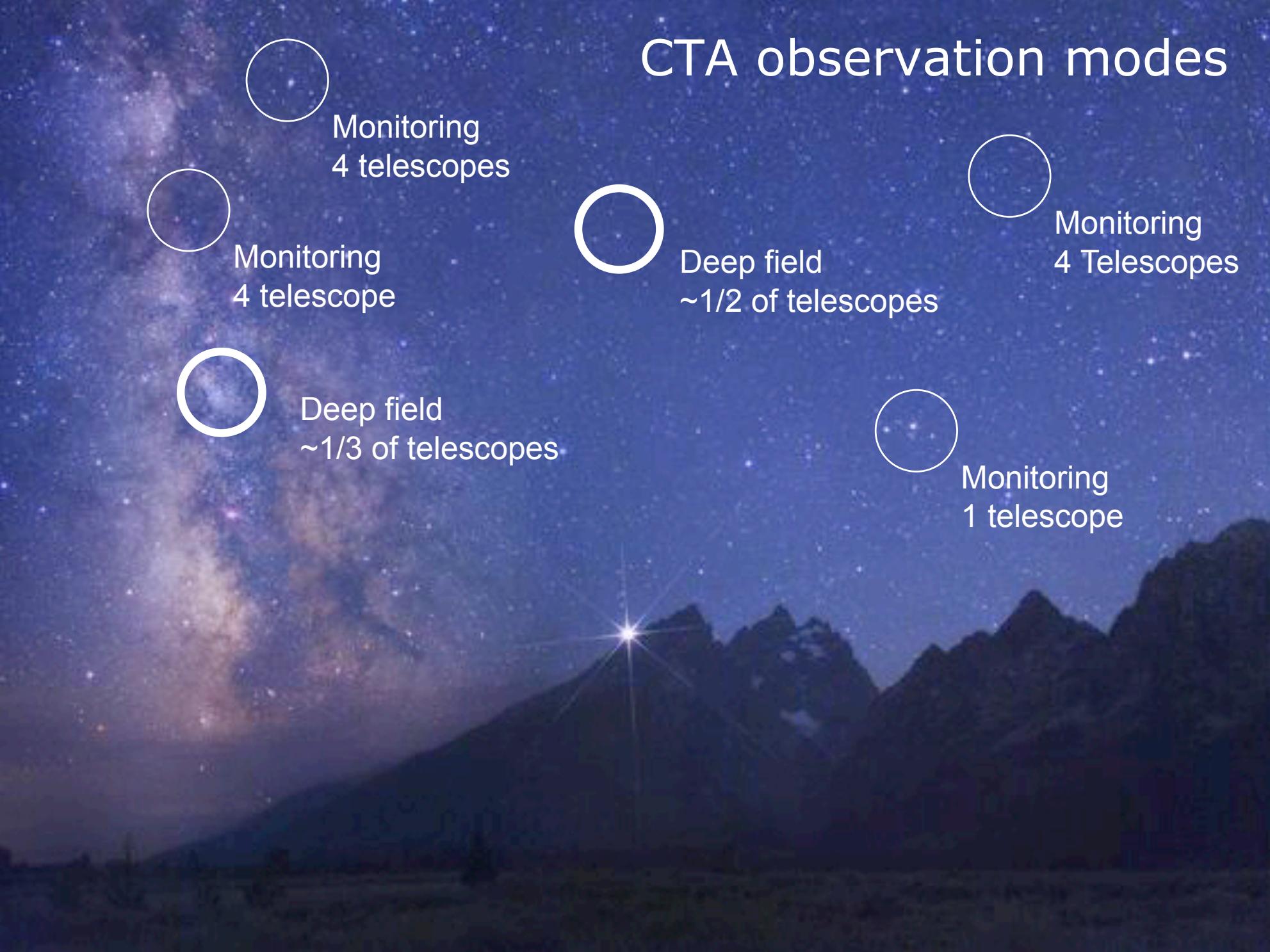


A photograph of a dark night sky filled with stars. The Milky Way galaxy is visible as a bright, hazy band of light extending from the bottom left towards the top right. In the foreground, the dark silhouettes of mountain peaks are visible against the starry background. A single, very bright star with a distinct starburst or lens flare effect is positioned in the lower center of the frame.

CTA observation modes



Very deep field



CTA observation modes

Monitoring
4 telescopes

Monitoring
4 telescope

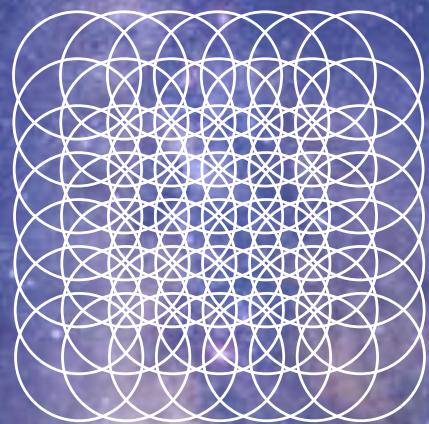
Deep field
~1/2 of telescopes

Monitoring
4 Telescopes

Deep field
~1/3 of telescopes

Monitoring
1 telescope

CTA observation modes



Survey
mode

MAGIC



Building blocks



identical
scale

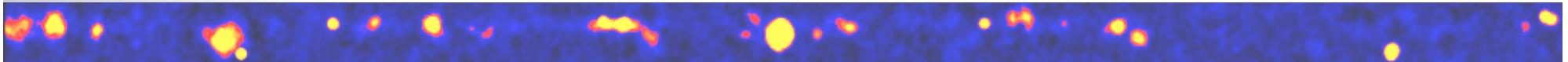
HESS I



Challenge:
Cost & Reliability



CTA Design Study



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Czech Republic

Prague

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Turku

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DIAS Dublin, ...

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