

Astrophysical Electron-Positron Factories and their Spectral Features

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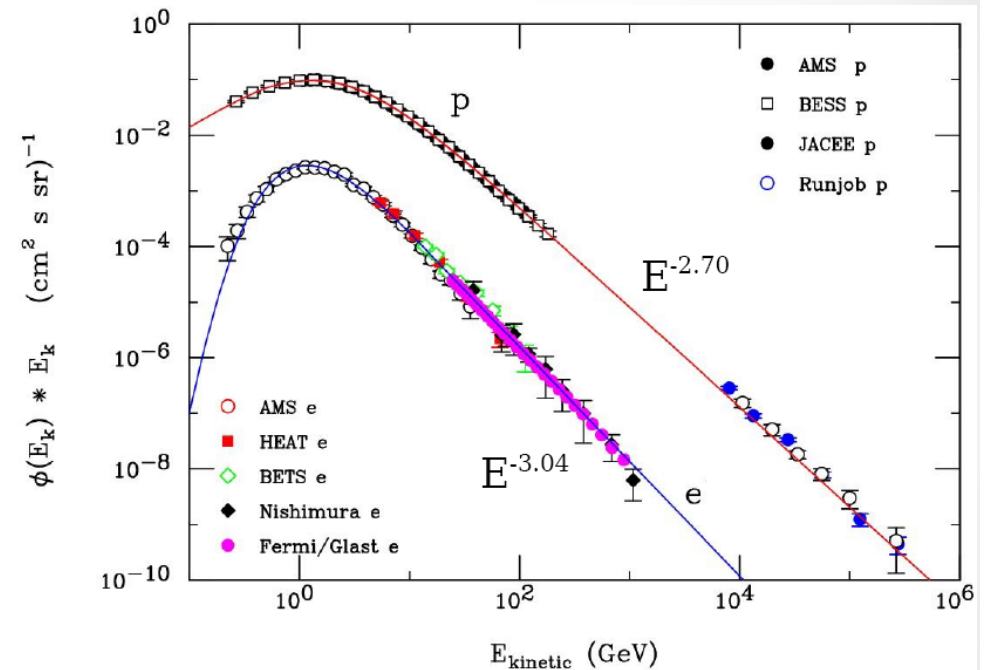
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- What is the difference between CR e^\pm and CR nuclei?
- What is the candidate of CR e^\pm sources (other than DM particles)?
- What will the future experiments tell us about CR e^\pm sources?



Cosmic-ray Electrons (e^-)

- flux $\sim 1\%$ of p
- (partly) accelerated in SNRs
- significant energy loss during propagation (synchrotron & inverse Compton scattering)
- the spectrum is softer than that of nuclei
- cannot propagate farther than $\sim 1\text{-}2$ kpc due to the energy loss

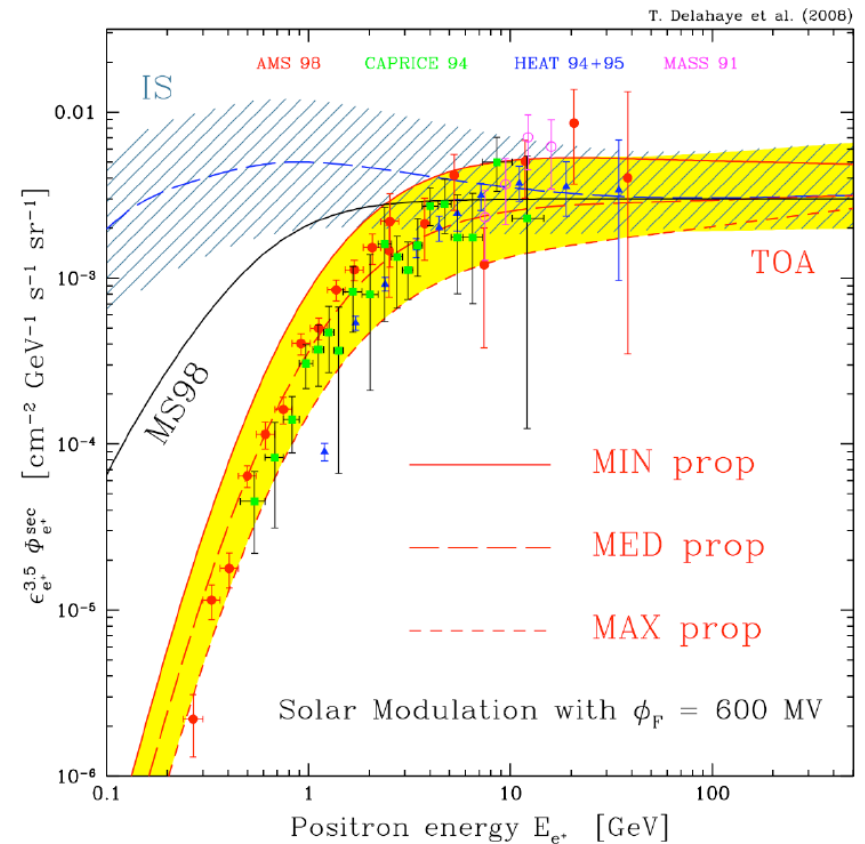


Cosmic-ray Positrons (e^+)

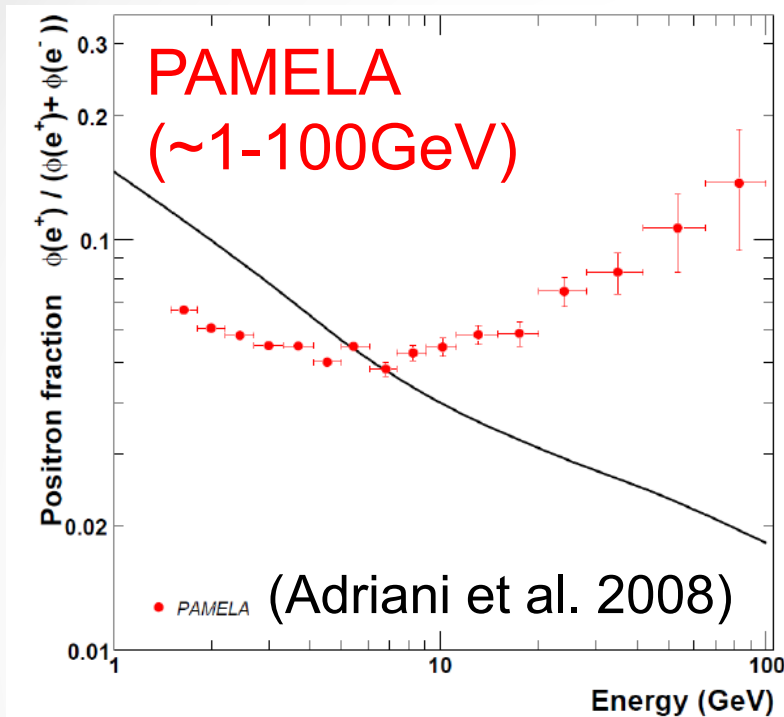
- flux $\sim 10\%$ of e^- ($\sim 0.1\%$ of p)
- Lose their energy during propagation in the same way as e^-
- “standard” model produced via interactions between CR p and ISM p

$$p + p \rightarrow \pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ \rightarrow e^+$$

... secondary origin
- # of produced e^+
 - $\propto p$ trapping time in the Galaxy
 - ... shorter for higher energy p
 - \therefore The spectrum of secondary e^+ should be softer than that of primary CRs (p, e^-, \dots)

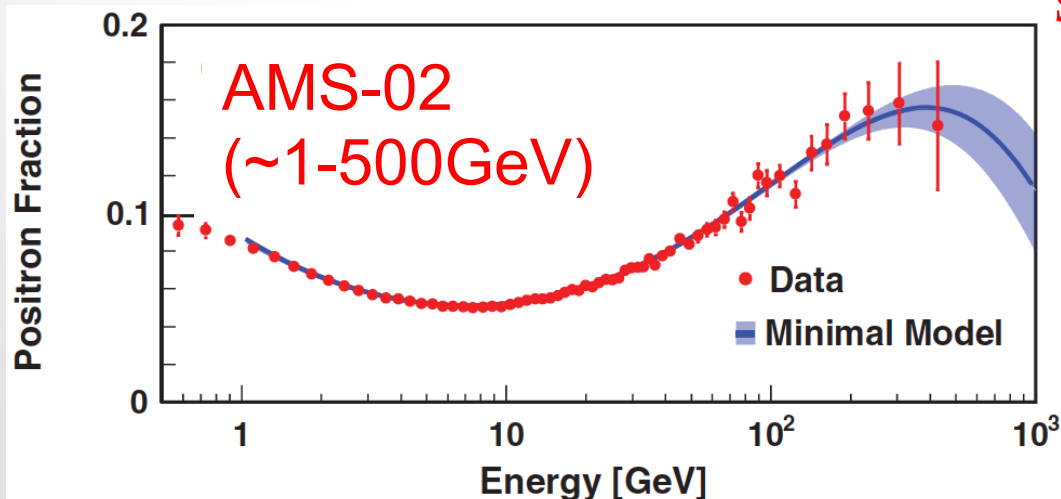


“positron excess”



Observed CR e^+ flux seems to exceed that expected from the standard secondary production model, and rises with the energy.

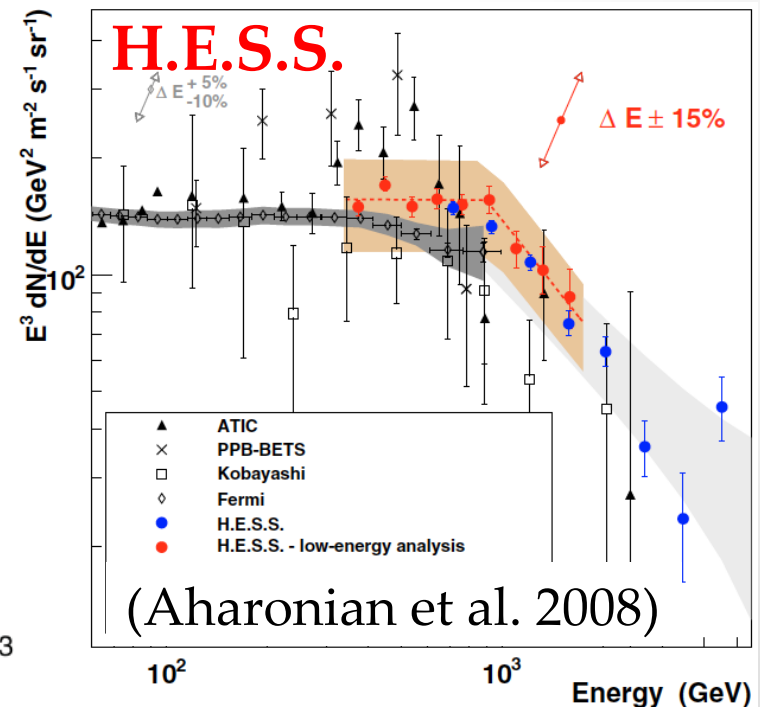
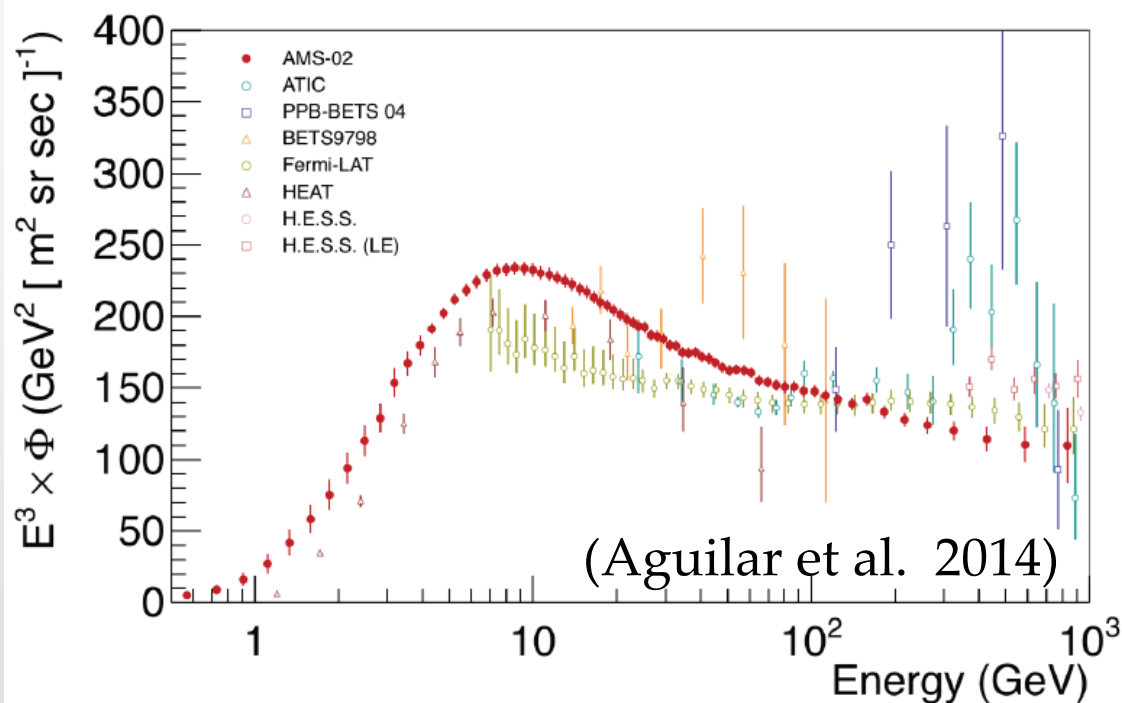
Some primary positron sources are needed!



← Drop above ~200 GeV?

Electron + Positron Flux

- Excess from the conventional model?
→ **Primary CR e^\pm sources?**
- Bumpy structure and sharp cutoff at ~ 500 GeV?
(ATIC/PPB-BETS)
- drop above \sim TeV? (HESS)



Astrophysical Origin

- Pulsars (including MSPs)

Atoyan et al. 95; Chi+ 96; Zhang & Cheng 01; Yuksel+ 08; Buesching+ 08; Hooper+ 08; Profumo 08; Malyshev+09; Grasso+ 09; NK, Ioka & Nojiri 10; NK, Ioka, Ohira & Kashiyama 11; Kisaka & NK 12 etc.

- Supernova Remnants

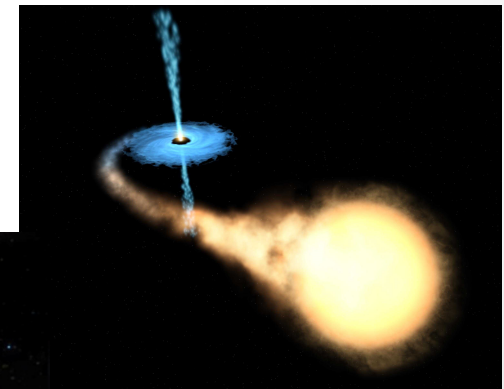
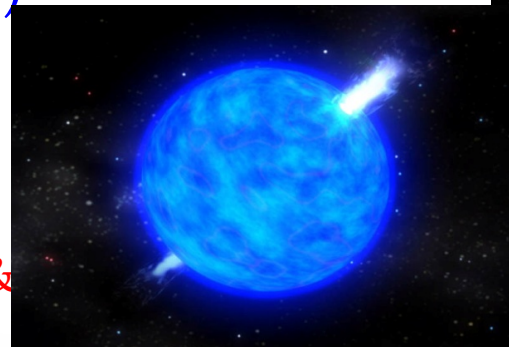
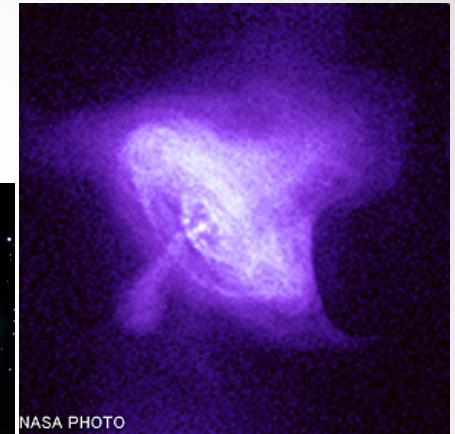
Pohl & Esposito 98; Kobayashi+ 04; Shaviv + 09; Hu+ 09; Fujita+ 09; Blasi 09; Blasi & Serpico 09; Mertsch & Sarkar 09; Biermann + 09; Ahlers+ 09; NK 12 etc.

- Microquasars (Galactic BHs)

Heinz & Sunyaev 02

- Gamma-Ray Burst Ioka 10

- White Dwarfs Kashiyama, Ioka & NK 11



CR e^\pm propagation equation

Diffusion equation for CR e^\pm distribution function, f :

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} f(t, \vec{r}, \varepsilon_e) = \underbrace{K(\varepsilon_e) \nabla^2 f}_{\text{diffusion}} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial \varepsilon_e} [P(\varepsilon_e) f]}_{\text{energy loss (not negligible)}} + \underbrace{Q(t, \vec{r}, \varepsilon_e)}_{\text{injection}}$$

diffusion coefficient: $K(\varepsilon_e) \sim 5.8 \times 10^{28} \text{cm}^2 \text{s}^{-1} (\varepsilon_e / 3 \text{GeV})^\delta$, $\delta = 1/3$

energy loss rate: $P(\varepsilon_e) = P_{\text{syn}}(\varepsilon_e) + P_{\text{IC}}(\varepsilon_e)$

- P_{syn} : synchrotron cooling (Galactic magnetic field $\sim 1\text{-}3 \mu\text{G}$)
- P_{IC} : inverse Compton scattering (starlight, dust, CMB)
- Thomson approx. $P(\varepsilon_e) \sim b \varepsilon_e^2$, $b \sim 10^{-16} \text{GeV}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}$
- $t_{\text{cool}} \sim 1/b\varepsilon_e \sim 10^6 \text{yr} (\varepsilon_e/300 \text{GeV})^{-1}$

Simplest Solution

Atoyan+ 1995

Point-like, instantaneous injection $Q \propto \delta(r) \delta(t - t_0)$

$$f = G(t, \vec{r}, \varepsilon_e; t_0) = \frac{N_e(\varepsilon_{e,0}, t_0) P(\varepsilon_{e,0})}{\pi^{3/2} d_{diff}^3 P(\varepsilon_e)} \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{d_{diff}^2}\right)$$

$N_e(\varepsilon_e, t)$: total number of injected particles

$\varepsilon_{e,0}$: energy of a particle at its injection

$d_{diff} \approx 2\sqrt{K(\varepsilon_e)t}$: diffusion length

Thomson approx. $P(\varepsilon_e) \approx -b\varepsilon_e^2$, $b = 10^{-16} \text{ GeV}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$

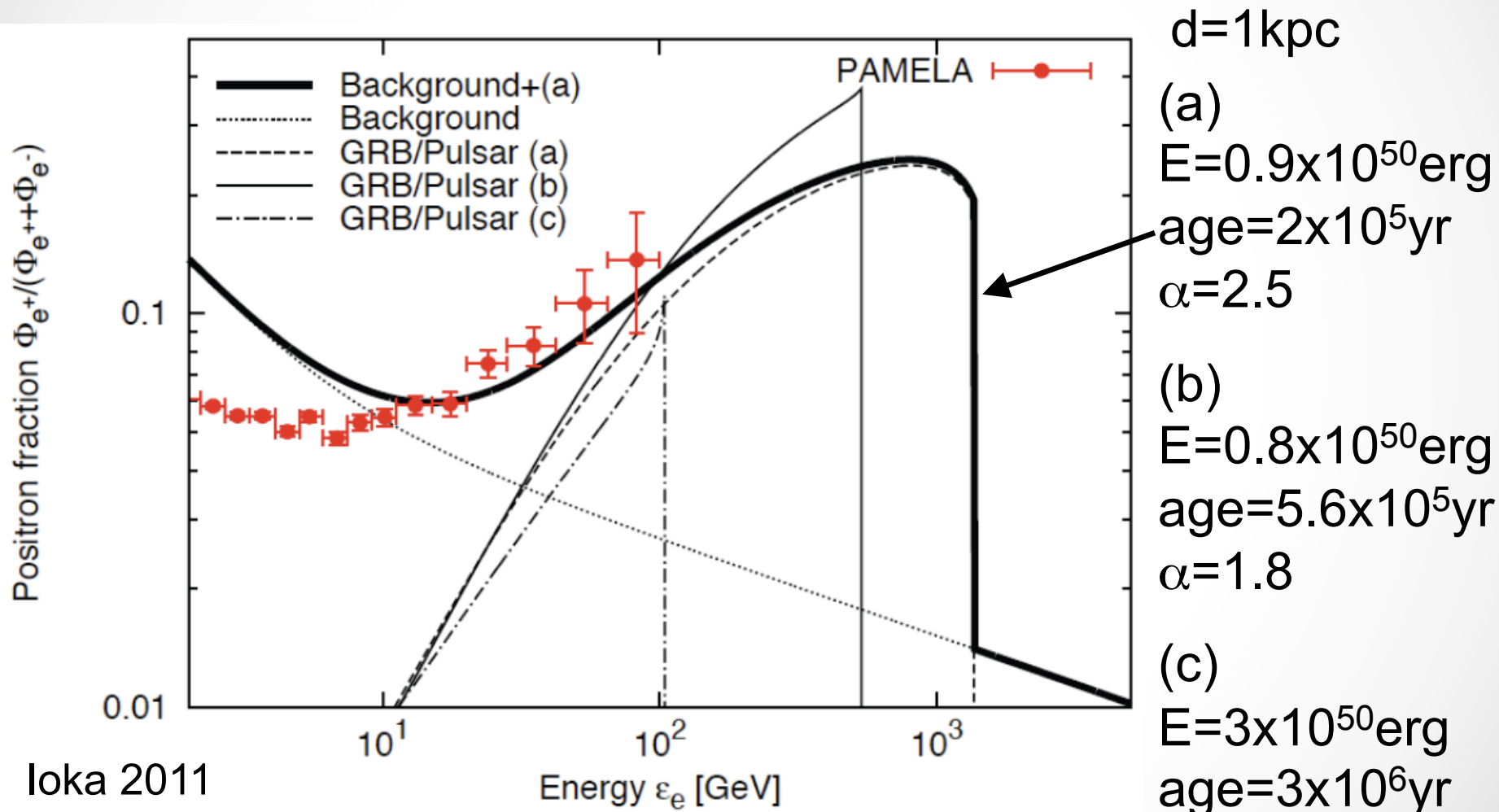
$$G(t, \vec{r}, \varepsilon_e; t_0) = \frac{N_e(\varepsilon_e, t_0)}{\pi^{3/2} d_{diff}^3} (1 - bt\varepsilon_e)^{\alpha-2} \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{d_{diff}^2}\right)$$

(α : spectral index of e^\pm)

cutoff:
 $\varepsilon_e \sim 1/bt_{age}$

The case of transient source: e^+ fraction

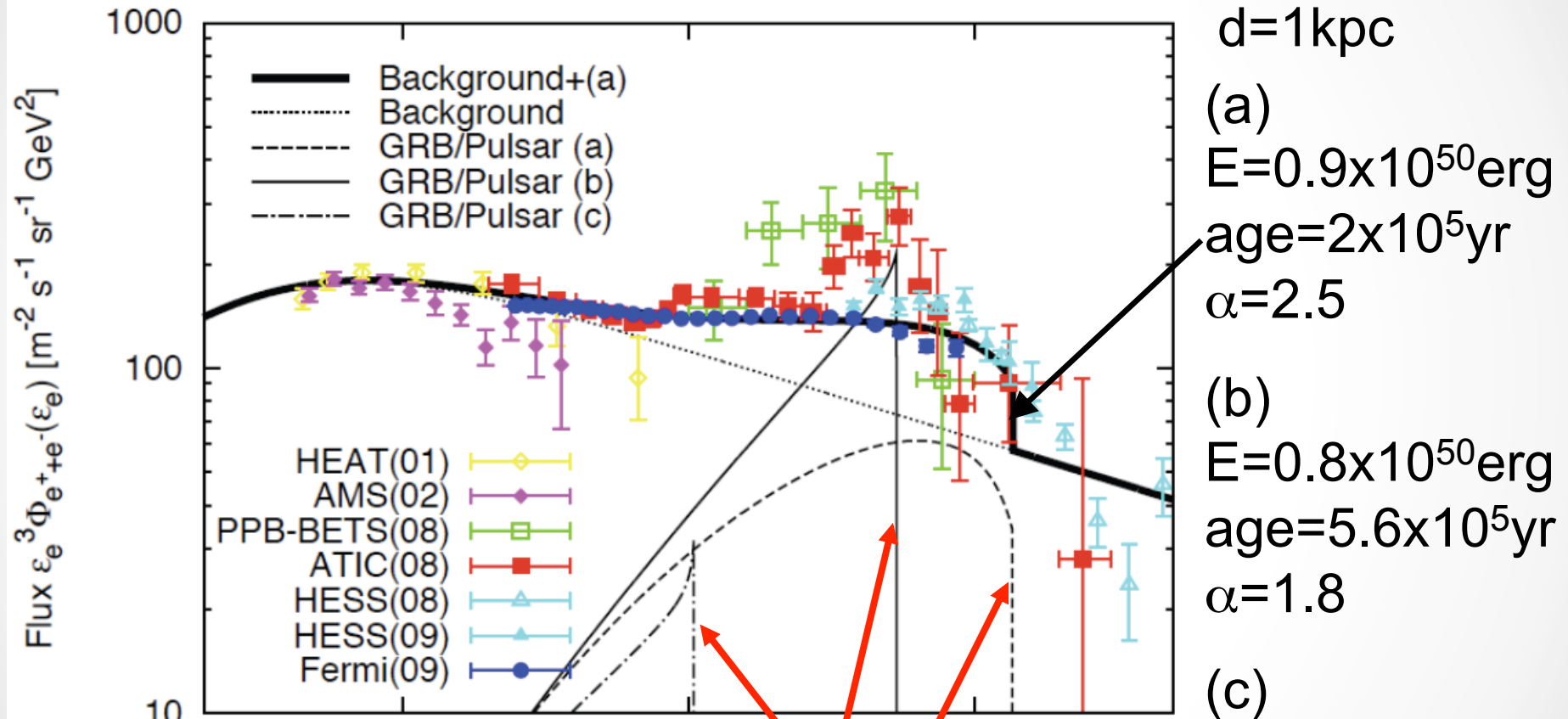
The cutoff energy corresponds to the age of the source.



At the source, $\dot{N}_{e^+} = \dot{N}_{e^-}$ is assumed.

The case of transient source: e^\pm spectrum

The cutoff energy corresponds to the age of the source.



Ioka 2011

$$\varepsilon_{\text{cut}} = \frac{1}{bt} \simeq 300 \left(\frac{10^6 \text{ yr}}{t_{\text{age}}} \right) \text{ GeV}$$

Continuous injection (expected in pulsars, SNRs, etc.)

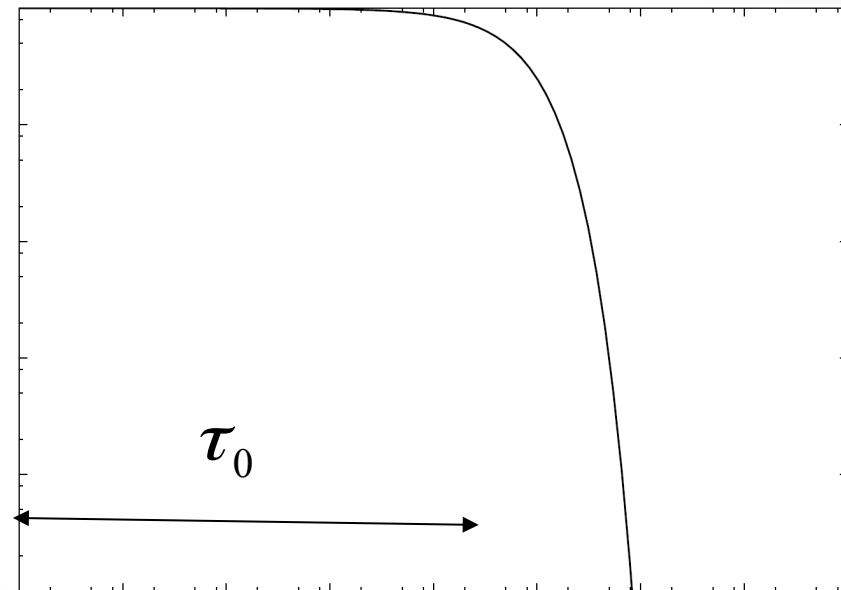
The spectral bump around $E_e \sim 1/bt$ will be broadened!

$$F(t, \varepsilon_e) = \int_0^t dt' \frac{Q_0(t-t') \varepsilon_e^{-\alpha}}{\pi^{3/2} r_{\text{diff}}^3} (1 - bt' \varepsilon_e)^{\alpha-2} \exp\left(-\frac{r^2}{r_{\text{diff}}^2}\right)$$

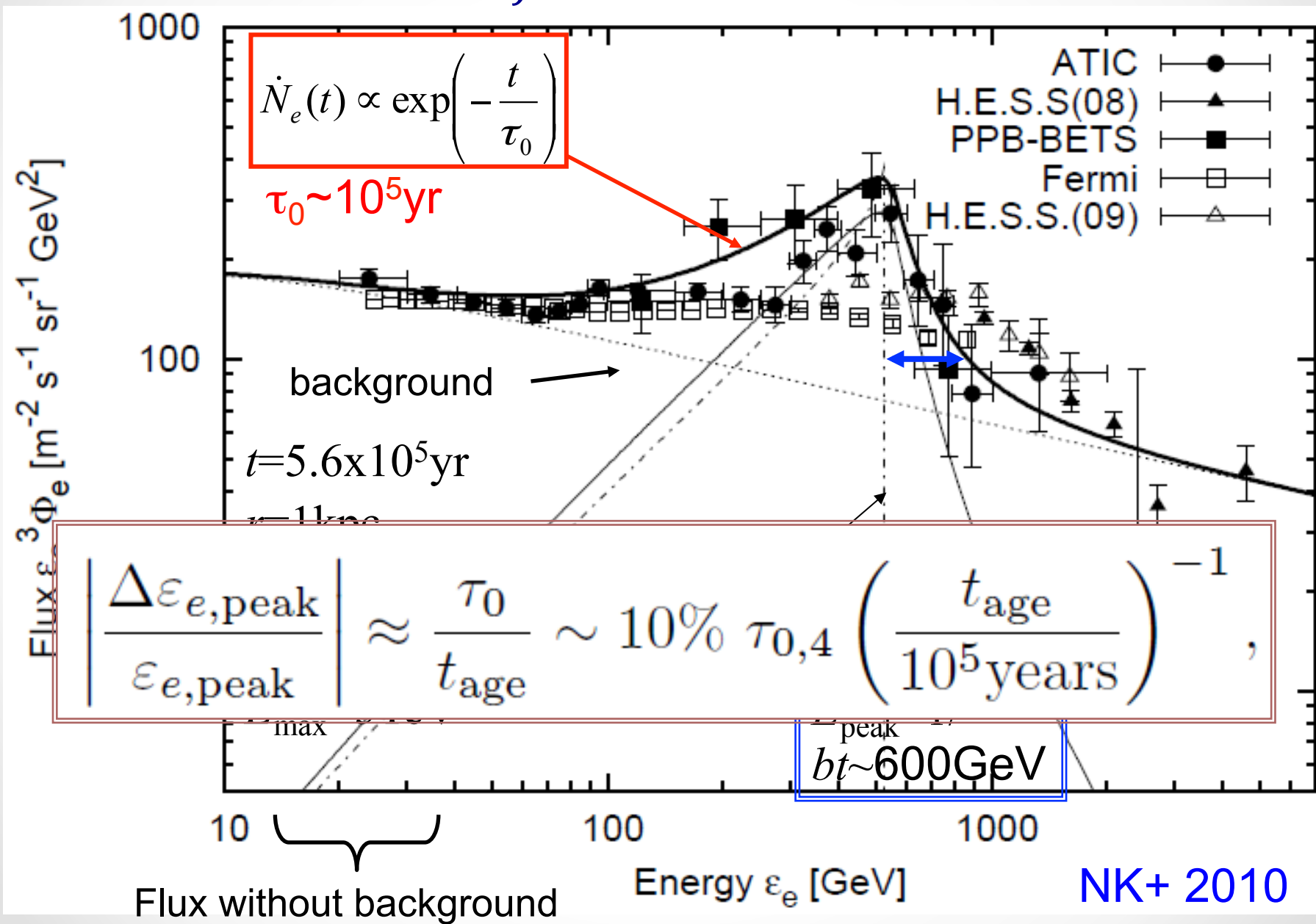
simple example: exponential decay

$$Q_0(t) \propto \frac{E_{\text{tot}}}{\tau_0} \exp\left(-\frac{t}{\tau_0}\right)$$

cf. spindown timescale for
typical pulsars $\sim 10^{3-5}$ yrs



Continuous Injection: Broadened Peak



Summary of the case with a Single e^\pm source

- A high energy cutoff expected in the dark matter model can be reproduced also in the astrophysical source model.
- Older (Younger) sources contribute to the lower (higher) energy range of the e^\pm flux because of the energy loss during propagation
- Continuous e^\pm injection \rightarrow broadened cutoff

e^\pm Injection from Multiple Sources

- Total injection energy required to account for the CR electron/positron flux $\sim 10^{50-51}$ erg

\sim Rotation energy of a pulsar with $P_0 \sim 10$ msec

Too efficient for a single pulsar?

- Local pulsar birth rate $\sim 10^{-5}$ yr $^{-1}$ kpc $^{-2}$

Some young pulsars (age $< 5 \times 10^5$ yr) may exist in the vicinity of the Earth.

- It is natural to consider the contribution of multiple pulsars to CR e^\pm .

- *Let us evaluate the average spectrum and its dispersion expected from nearby pulsars*

Average e^\pm Spectrum and Its Dispersion

NK+ 2010; Kashiyama, Ioka & NK 2011

Average flux from nearby sources with a birth rate of R :

$$f_{\text{ave}}(\varepsilon_e) = \int_0^{1/(b\varepsilon_e)} dt \int_0^{d_{\text{diff}}} 2\pi r dr \underbrace{f(t, r, \varepsilon)}_{\text{Flux per source}} R$$

Number of sources which contribute to the energy bin of ε_e

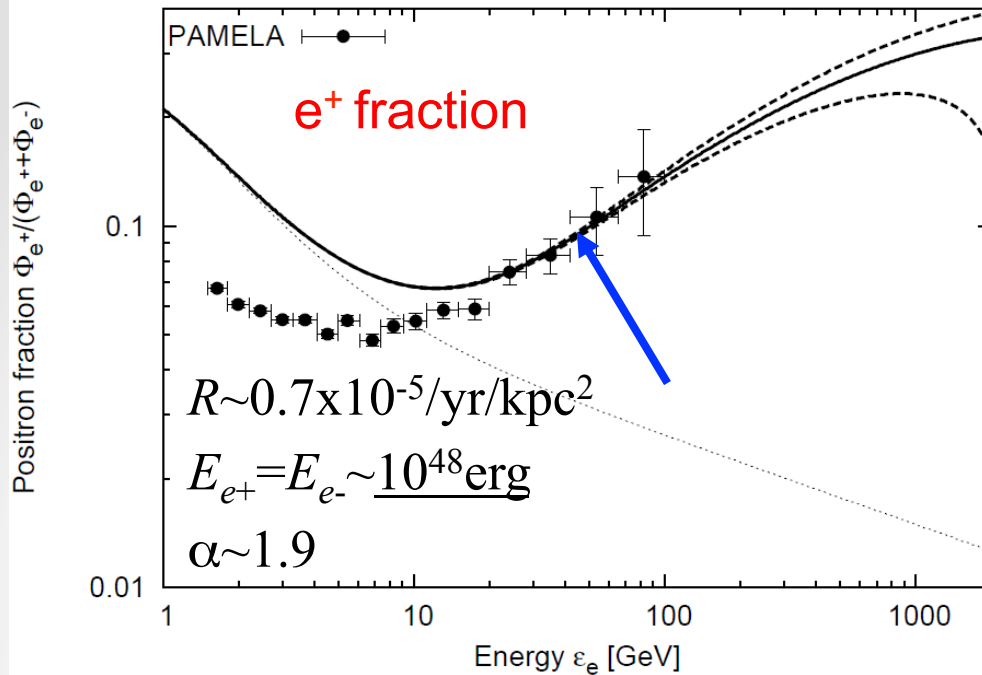
$$N(\varepsilon_e) = \int_0^{(b\varepsilon_e)^{-1}} dt \int_0^{d_{\text{diff}}} dr 2\pi r R \sim \frac{2\pi K(\varepsilon_e) R}{(b\varepsilon_e)^2}$$
$$\sim 6 \left(\frac{\varepsilon_e}{\text{TeV}} \right)^{-5/3} \left(\frac{R}{0.7 \times 10^{-5} \text{ yr}^{-1} \text{ kpc}^{-2}} \right)$$

 Assuming the Poisson statistics of the source distribution,

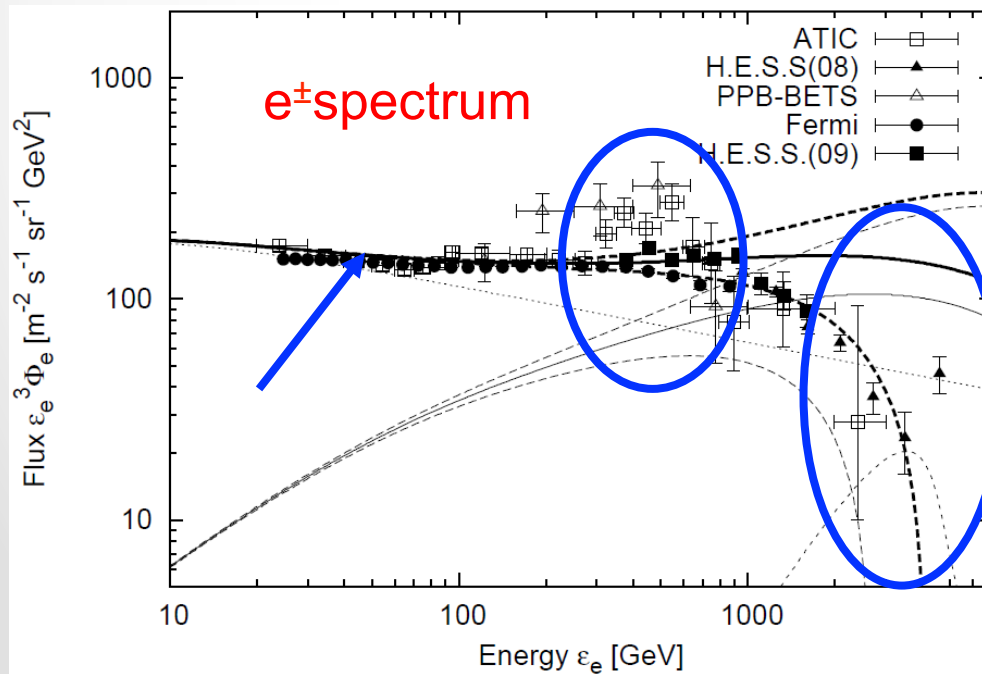
$$\Delta f_{\text{ave}}(\varepsilon_e) = f_{\text{ave}}(\varepsilon_e) / \sqrt{N(\varepsilon_e)}$$

$\varepsilon_e \uparrow$ or $R \downarrow \Rightarrow \Delta f / f \uparrow$ i.e. higher energy/lower birth rate

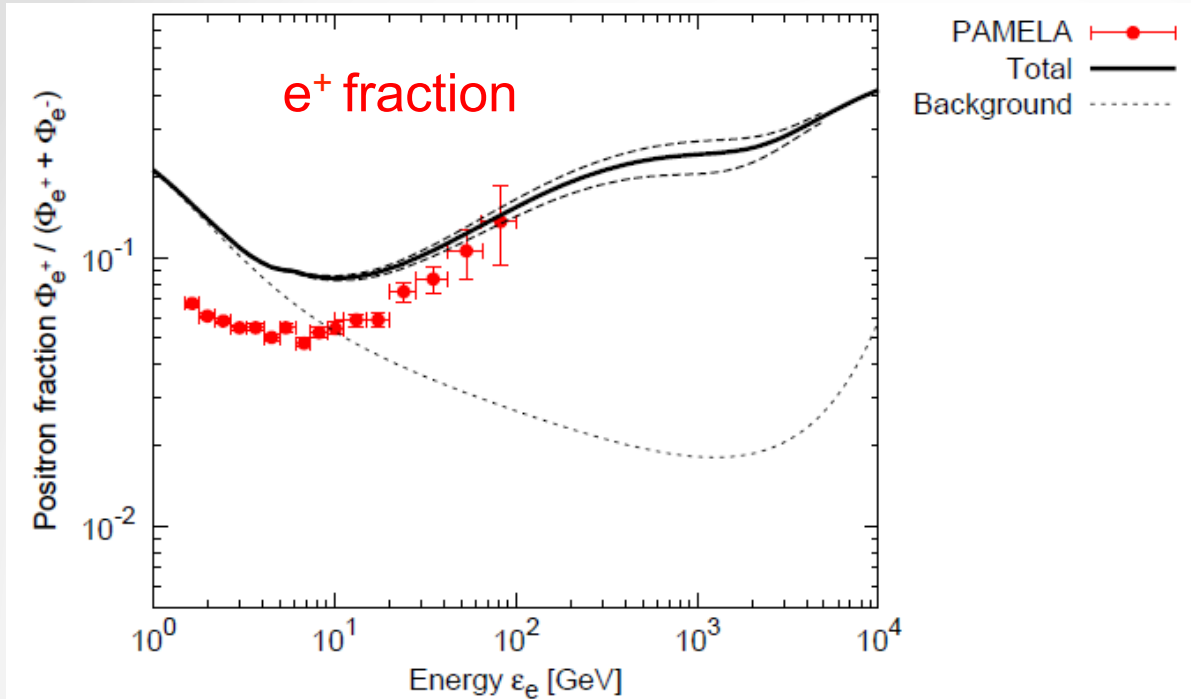
would make the spectrum wiggled



solid lines: $f_{ave}(\epsilon_e)$
dashed lines: $f_{ave}(\epsilon_e) \pm \Delta f_{ave}$



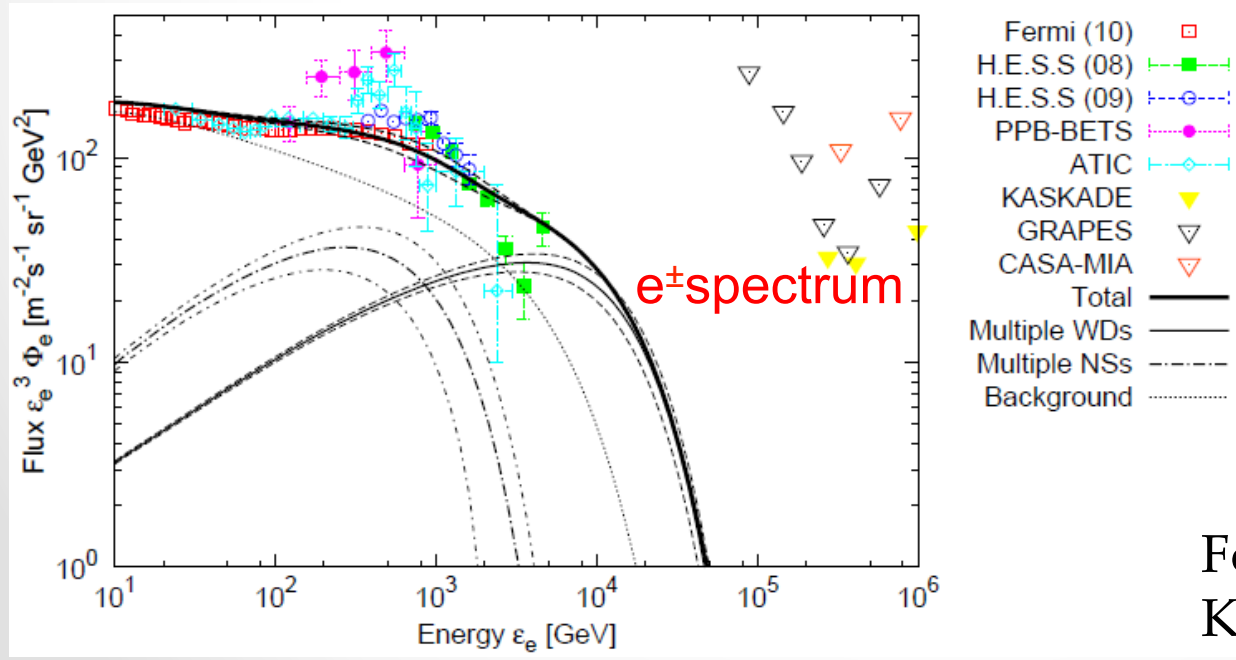
1. Average spectra are consistent with PAMELA, Fermi & H.E.S.S.
2. ATIC/PPB-BETS peak is largely separated from the average flux. \rightarrow Such a peak is hard to produce by the sum of multiple pulsars.
3. Large dispersion in the TeV range due to the small $N(\epsilon_e)$ \rightarrow possible explanation for the cutoff inferred by H.E.S.S.



Contributions from White Dwarfs

WDs with $>\sim 10^{7-9}G$ have been discovered (e.g. AE Aquarii; Terada+08).

→ Can be CR e^\pm factories!



The lifetime is much longer than NS.

→ can be dominant in $\sim 1-10TeV$

For the detail, see Kashiyaama, Ioka & NK 2011

TeV Electrons from Millisecond Pulsars

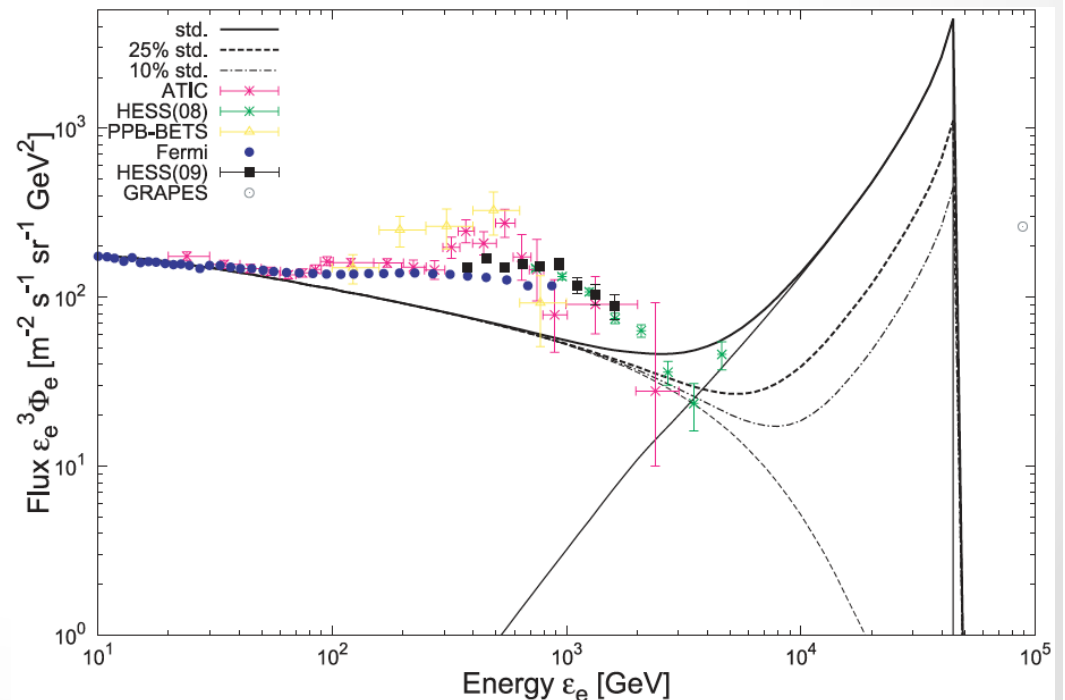
Kisaka & NK 2012

- Weak magnetic field ($\sim 10^8\text{-}9\text{G}$) \rightarrow long spindown time ($\sim\text{Gyr}$)
- \rightarrow Many MSPs may exist in the vicinity of the Earth.
- Fermi detected gamma-ray emissions from MSPs
- \rightarrow Evidence that e^\pm are accelerated up to $\sim\text{TeV}$
- \rightarrow They may contribute to the CR e^\pm spectrum!

MSPs are pair-starved?
(Muslimov & Harding 2004)

\rightarrow They may emit e^\pm only in a narrow energy range
($\sim 50\text{TeV}$)

\rightarrow A large peak would appear in TeV range.

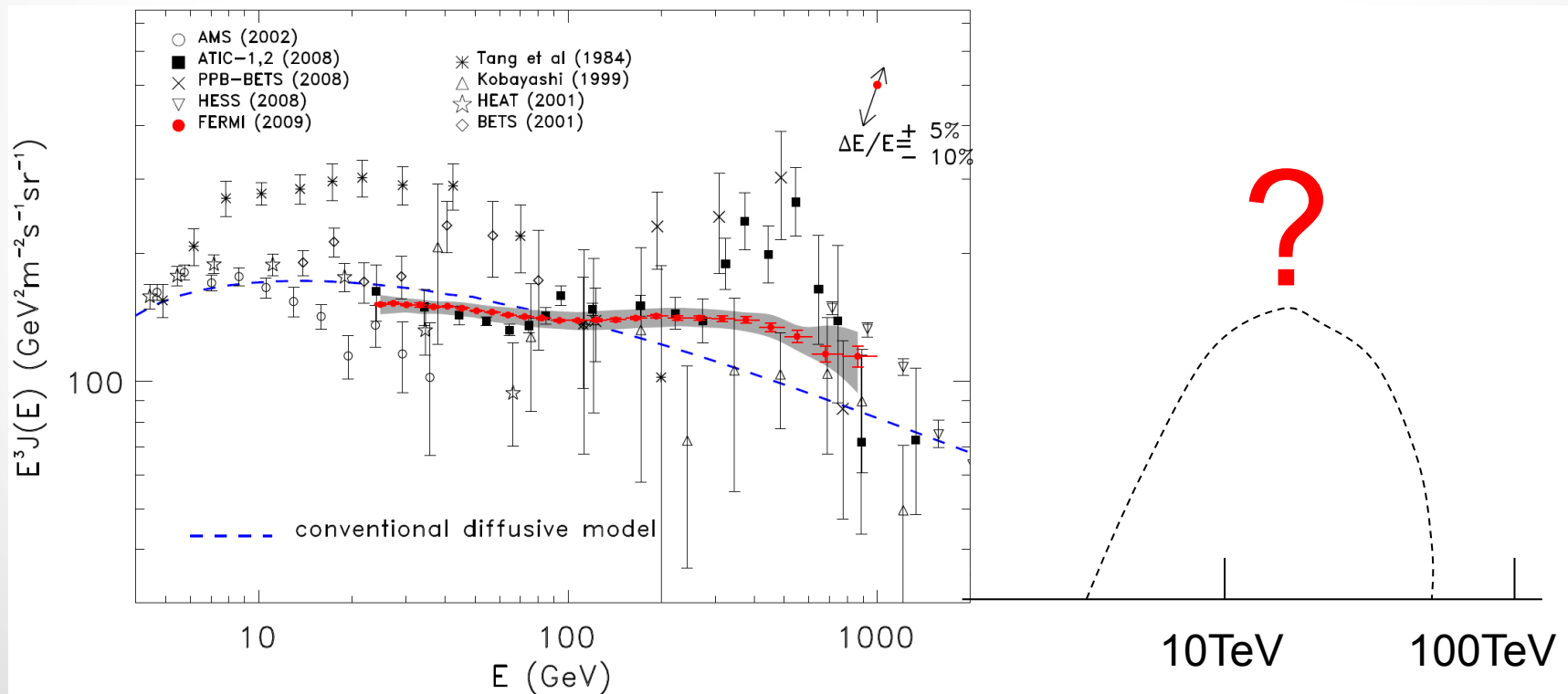


$\epsilon_e > \text{TeV}$ spectrum is interesting!

Will be explored by CALET, DAMPE, ISS-CREAM, etc.

Large theoretical dispersion \rightarrow We can expect to observe the contributions from a single **young and nearby source**.

Vela pulsar (age $\sim 10^4$ year, distance ~ 290 pc), Cygnus loop, or undiscovered compact objects



A young PSR/PWN is surrounded by a SNR.

→ CR e^\pm from a PWN should go through the SNR shock without trapped by the magnetic field around the shock

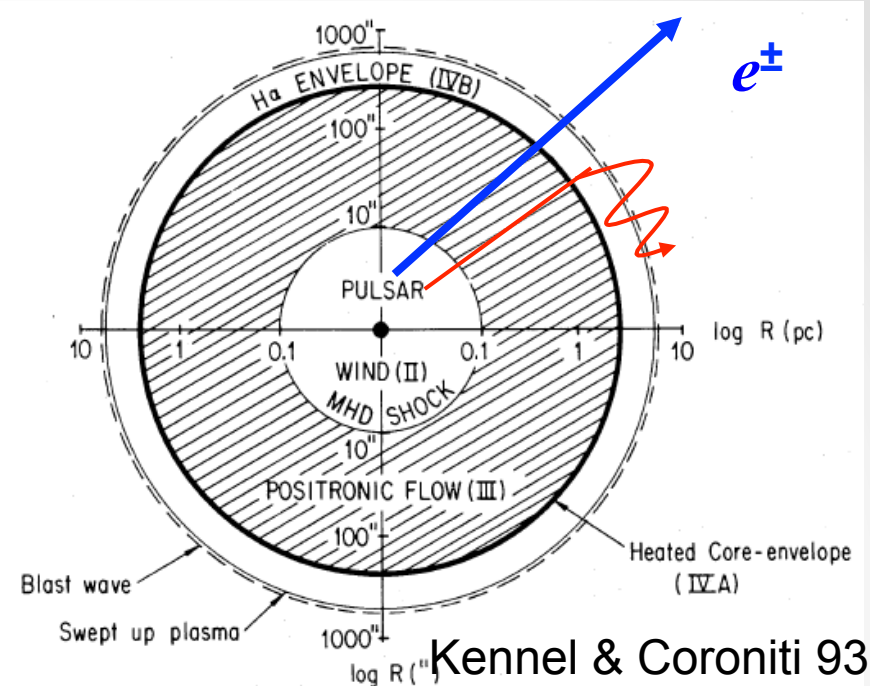
The escape from a PWN is also important (NK, Kahiya & Murase in prep.)

Escape condition: $\epsilon_e > \epsilon_{\text{esc}}(t)$

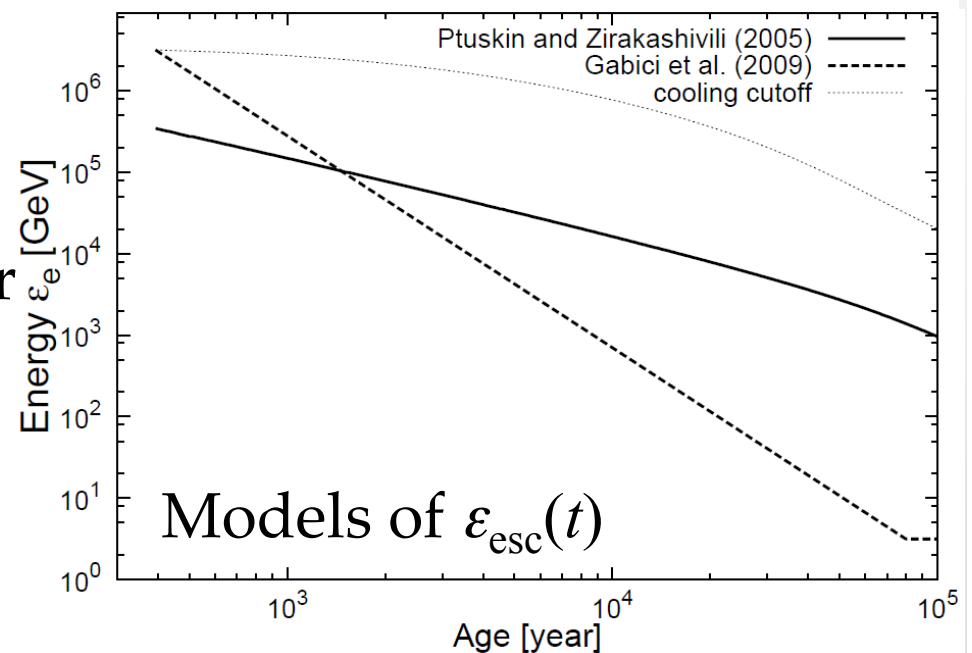
$\epsilon_{\text{esc}}(t)$: given by models

e^\pm spectrum from a young pulsar should have a low energy cutoff

→ **Probe of the energy-dependent escape scenario**
 (Ohira+ 2010; Ohira, Yamazaki, NK & Ioka 2012; Ohira, NK & Ioka 2016)



Kennel & Coroniti 93



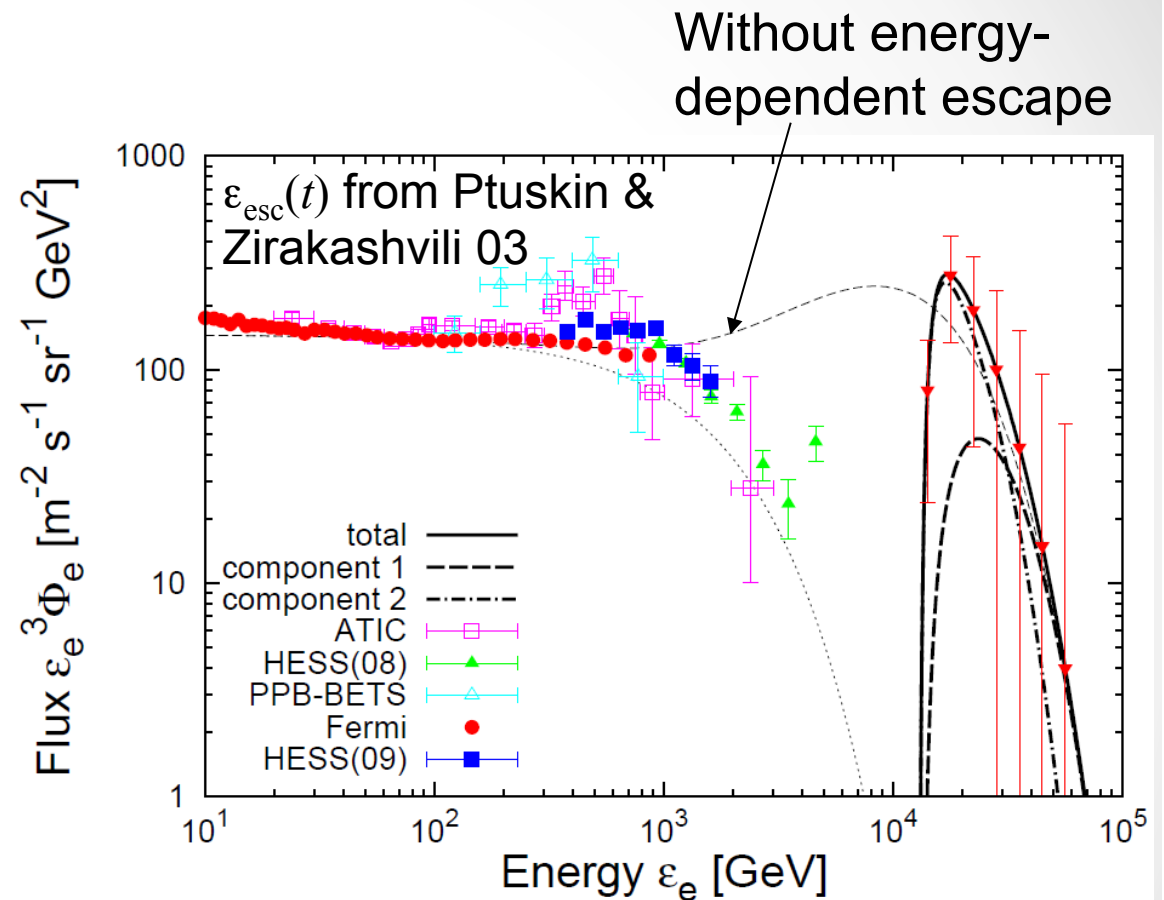
Models of $\epsilon_{\text{esc}}(t)$

TeV e^\pm spectrum can prove the CR escape!

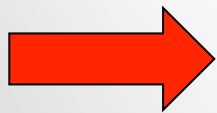
- Electron spectrum from Vela SNR/PSR ($d=290\text{pc}$, $t_{\text{age}}\sim 10^4\text{yr}$, $E_{\text{tot}}=10^{48}\text{erg}$)
- Only e^\pm with $\varepsilon_e > \varepsilon_{\text{esc}}(t_{\text{age}})$ can run away from the SNR.

→ Low Energy Cutoff

- 5yr obs. by CALET ($S\Omega T=220\text{m}^2\text{sr days}$; see next slide) may detect it.



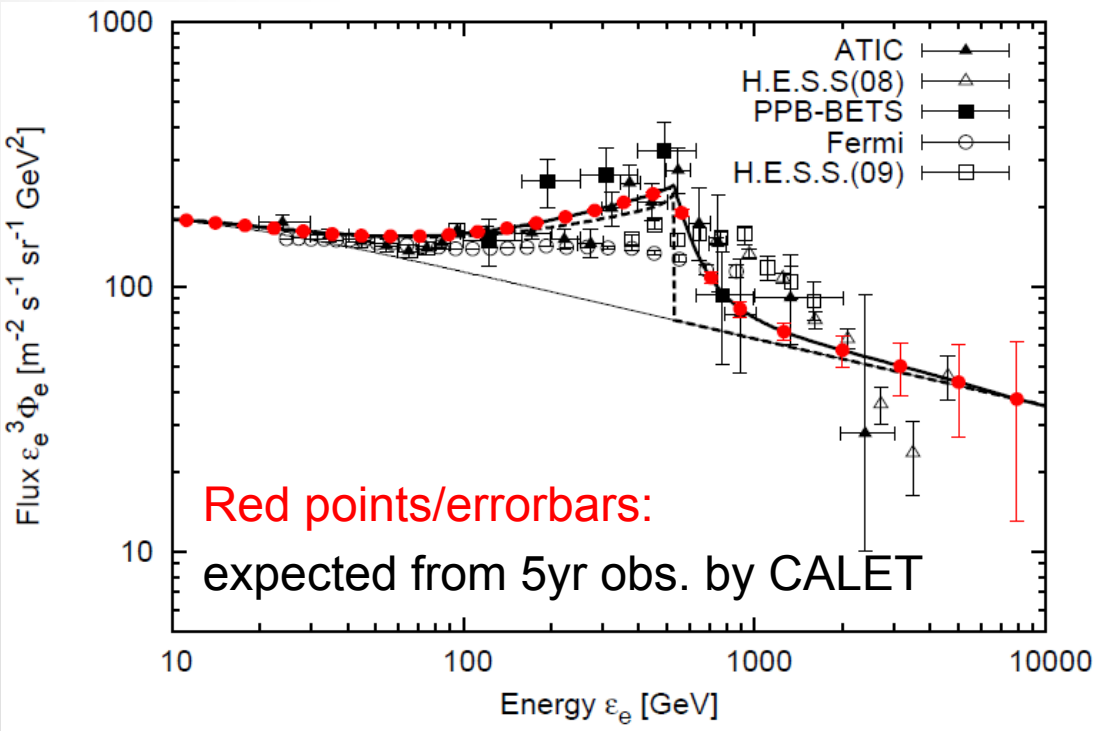
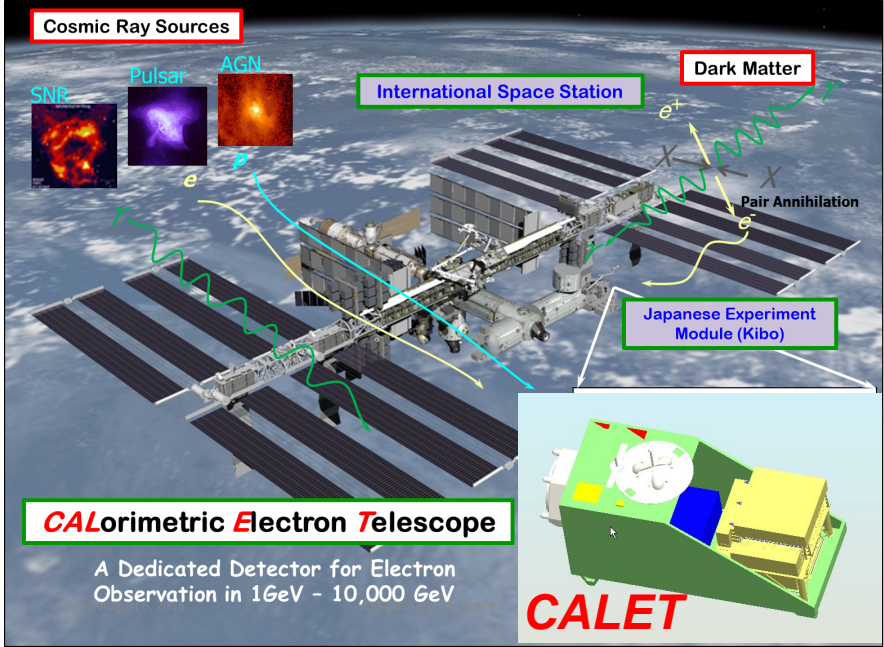
NK+ 2011



Direct Evidence of Escape-Limited Model for CR accelerators (=SNR)!

CALorimetric Electron Telescope

- A dedicated detector for CR electrons on ISS
- Japan/Italy/USA
- Launched on Aug. 19th, 2015
- Energy range: 1 GeV – >~10 TeV
- Energy resolution: ~2% (>100GeV)



High energy resolution

→ Duration of a source, wiggle in the spectrum

>~ TeV range

→ cutoff, the contribution from young sources

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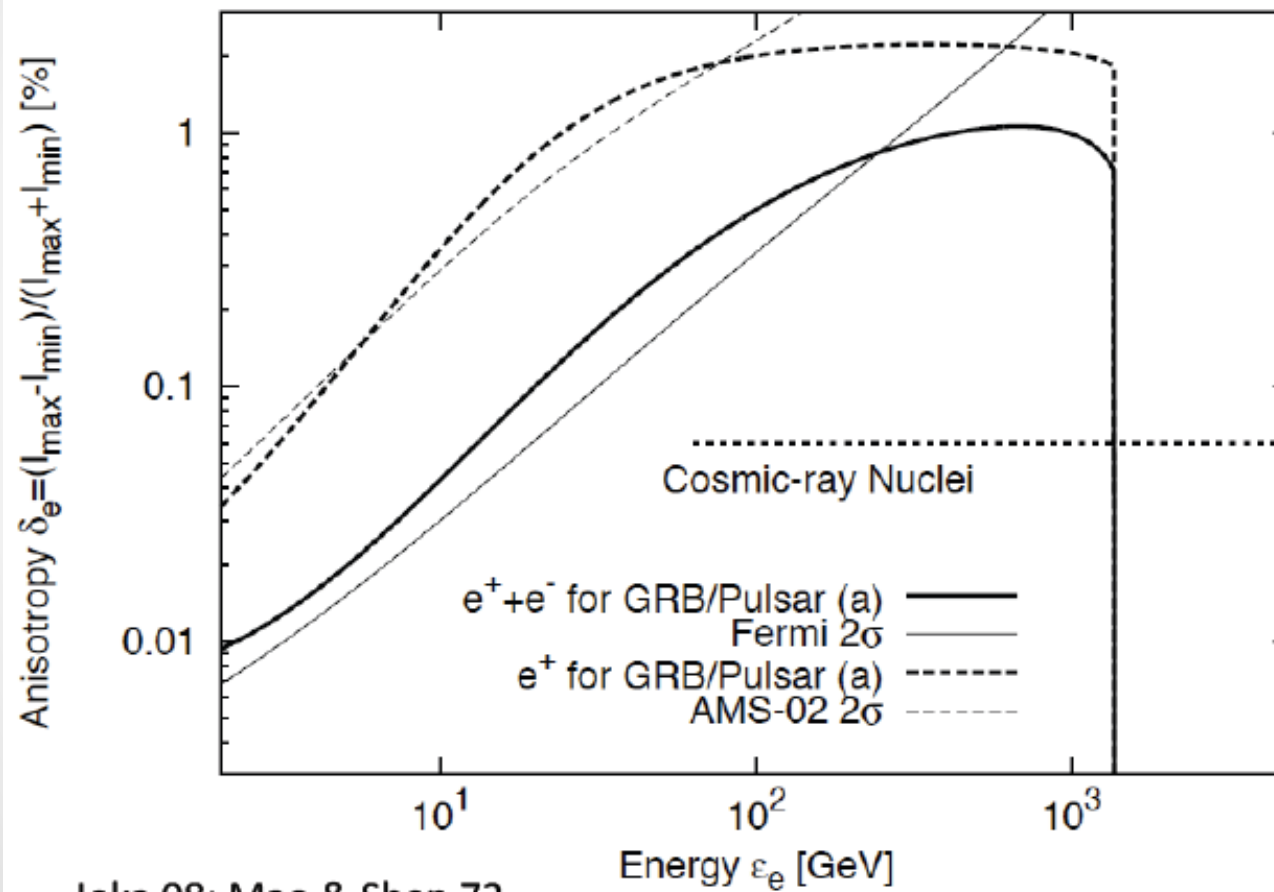
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 - Their excesses have been reported by PAMELA/AMS-02 (e^+) and Fermi/ATIC/PPB-BETS (e^\pm)
- What is the difference between CR e^\pm and CR nuclei?
 - Younger (Older) sources can contribute to the higher (lower) energy range of the CR e^\pm flux due to their fast energy loss during the propagation
- What is the candidate of CR e^\pm sources?
 - Pulsars, SNRs, GRBs, Galactic BHs, WDs, MSPs,...
- What will the future experiments tell us about CR e^\pm source?
 - Cutoff and its shape (age and duration), wiggleness (number of sources), contribution from a single, young CR source in the high energy range ($>\sim$ TeV)

Backup Slides



anisotropy

predicted in the case of a single energetic source



Ioka 08; Mao & Shen 72

$$\delta = \frac{I_{\max} - I_{\min}}{I_{\max} + I_{\min}}$$

$$= \frac{3K|\nabla f|}{cf}$$

$$\sim \frac{3d}{2ct} @ \epsilon_e \sim \epsilon_{\max}$$

Why are the PAMELA/AMS-02 results “anomaly”?

Positrons are generated from CR protons (secondary origin)

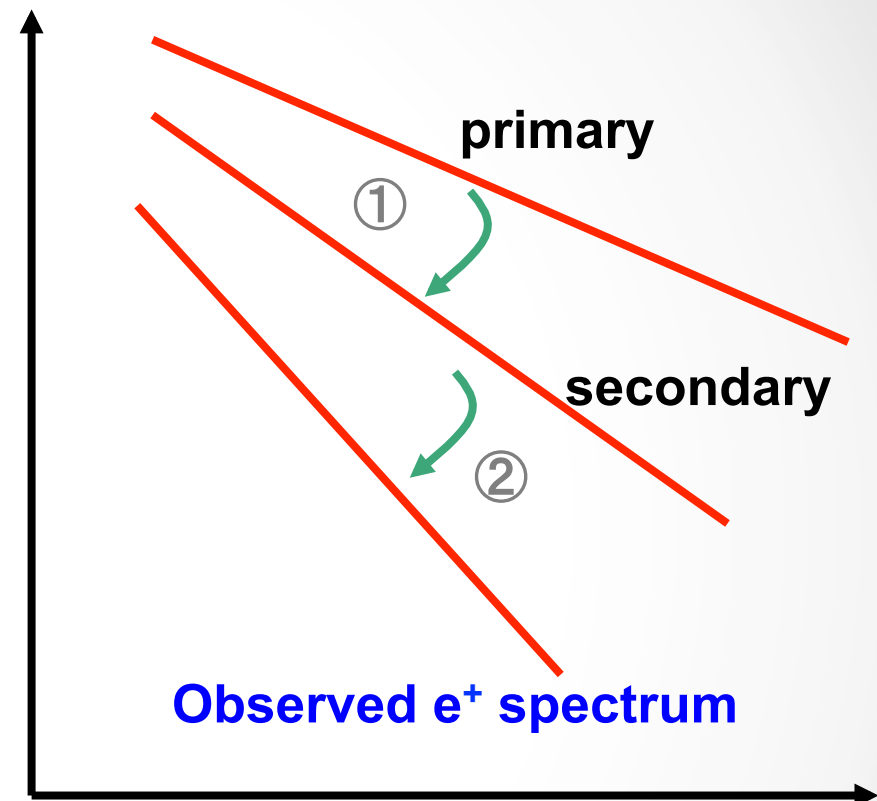
Higher energy protons can escape the Galaxy earlier

→ Higher energy positrons are less produced: ①

→ Observed positron spectrum becomes softer because of the escape and energy loss: ②

Electrons: primary origin

→ Spectral change should be only from ②



CR e^+ spectrum should be softer than that of e^-

Diffusion coefficient: secondary CRs

primary: accelerated at the sources such as SNRs
(p , e^- , C, N, O, Fe etc.)

secondary: produced during the propagation of
primary CRs (e^+ , \bar{p} , Li, Be, B, Ti etc.)



Created as fragmentation products
of the interactions of heavier CR
nuclei with ISM

energy dependence of (secondary) / (primary)

→ t_{trap} and its energy dependence

→ diffusion coefficient $K(\varepsilon)$

CR escape from SNRs

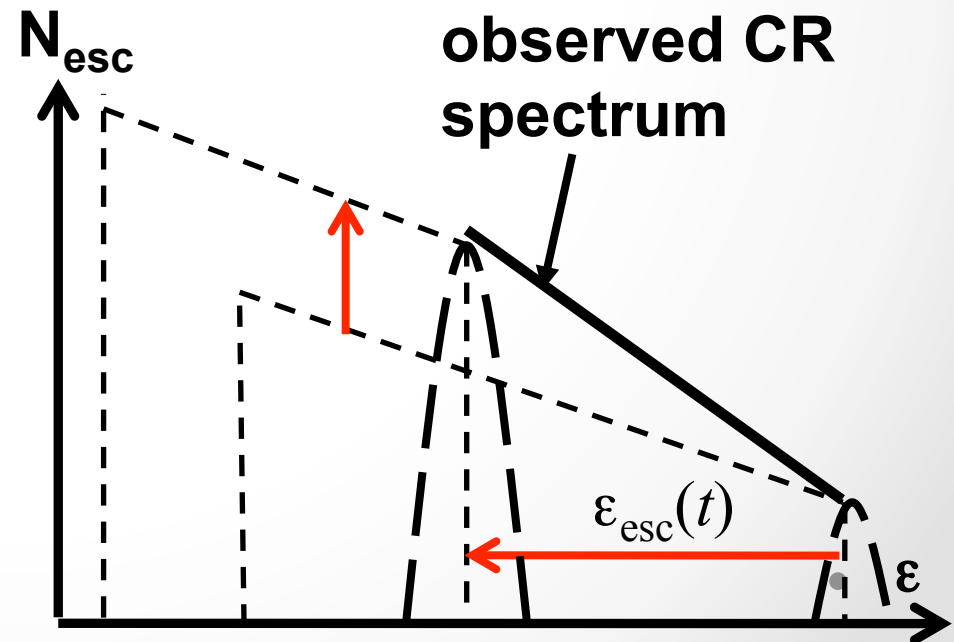
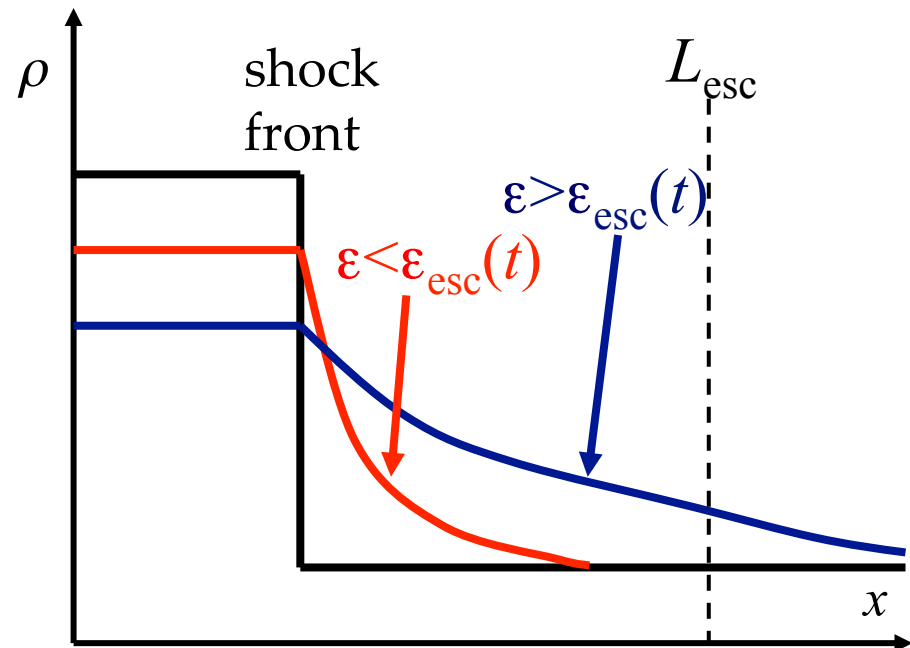
(Ptuskin & Zirakashvili 05; Caprioli+09; Gabici+ 09; Ohira+ 10 etc.)

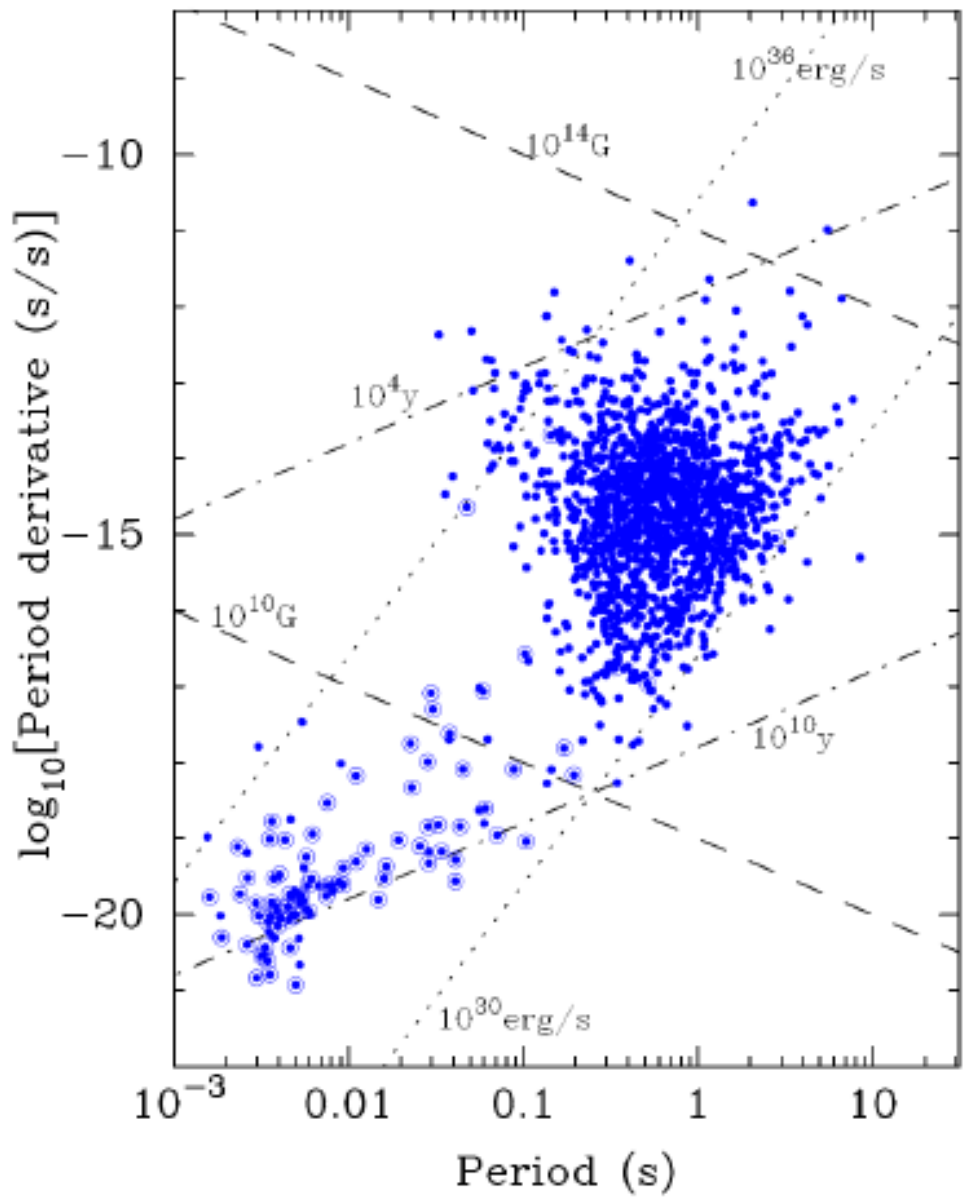
- The particles with highest energy can escape the SNR shock at the beginning of the Sedov phase
- As the shock decelerates, lower energy particles become able to escape the shock

If the CR injection rate increases with time, the observed CR spectrum would become softer

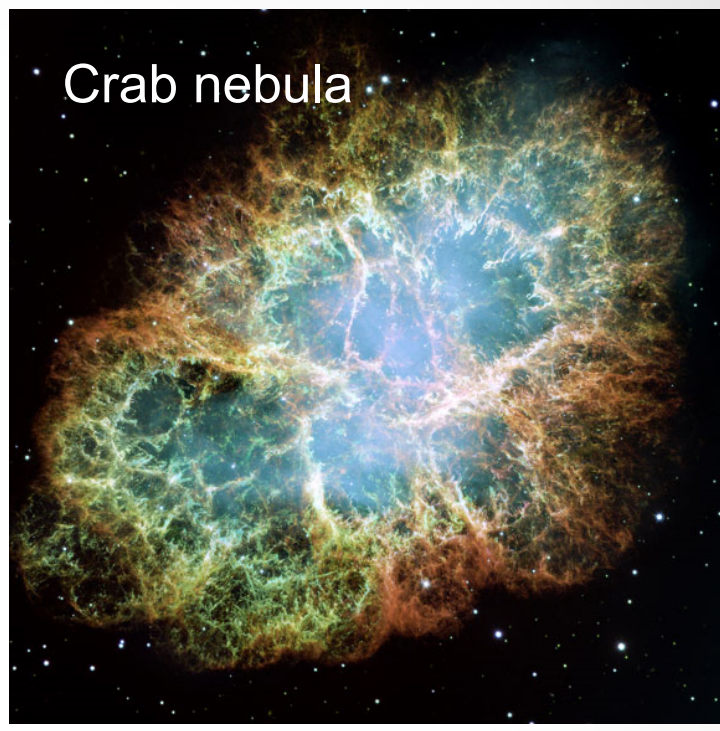
→ consistent with observations (CR spectrum $\propto \epsilon^{-2.7}$)

γ -ray spectra of SNRs (Ohira+ 10), CR helium hardening (Ohira, NK+ 16)

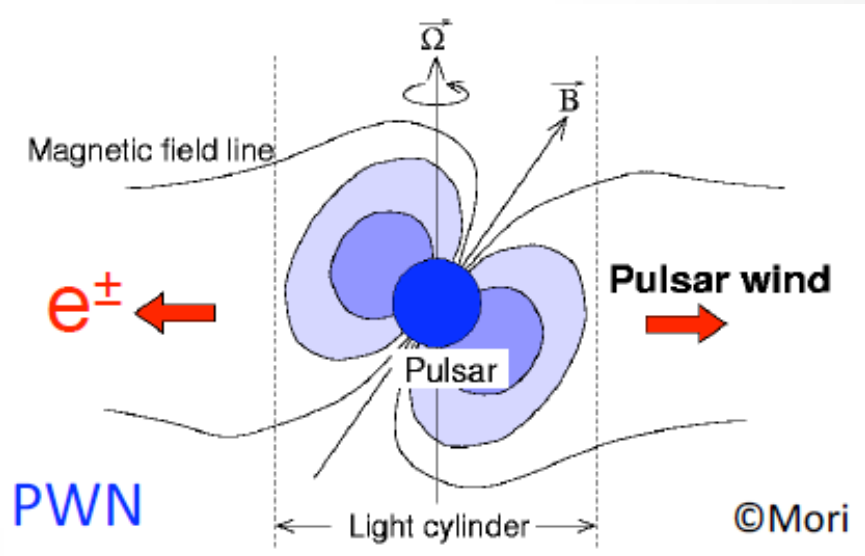




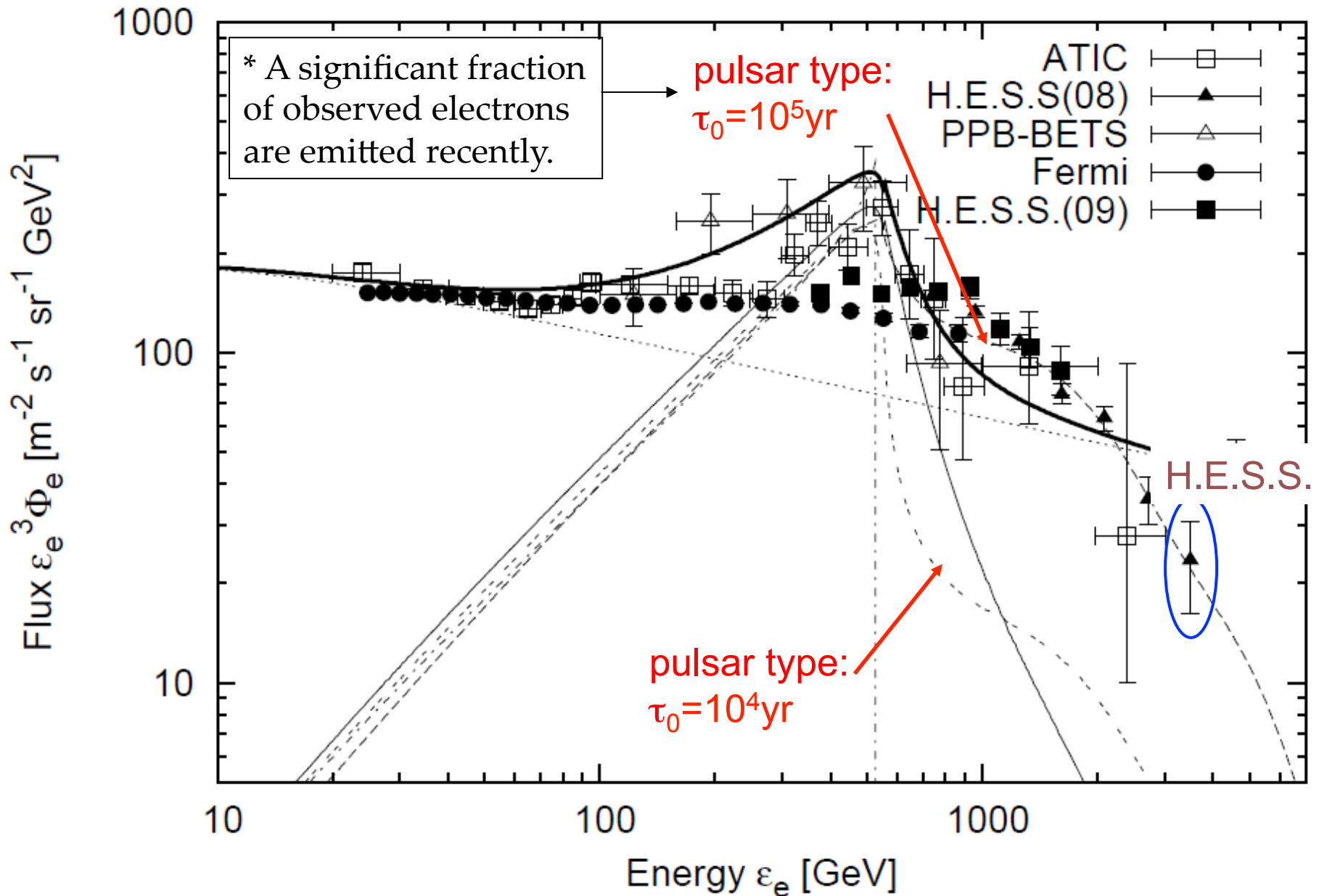
Lorimer 08



Crab nebula



Constraints on pulsar-type decay time



Positron excess by SNRs

Blasi (2009) etc.

distribution function of accelerated protons

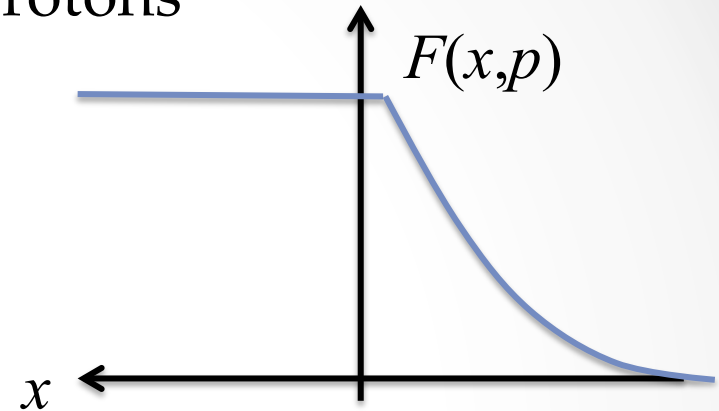
$$f_1(x, p) \propto p^{-\gamma} F(x, p)$$

$$F(x, p) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } x > 0 \\ \exp[ux/D(p)] & \text{for } x < 0 \end{cases}$$

u : upstream velocity (=shock velocity)

$D(p)$: diffusion coefficient

$\gamma \sim 4$ (non-relativistic shock)



e^+ injection at the shock being proportional to $F(x, p)$: $Q_2(x, p)$

→ diffusion-convection eq.
$$u \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x} = D(p) \frac{\partial^2 f_2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{1}{3} \frac{du}{dx} p \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial p} + Q_2(x, p)$$

Solution at the shock:
$$f_2(0, p) \propto \int_0^p \frac{dp'}{p'} \left(\frac{p'}{p} \right)^\gamma \frac{D(p')}{u^2} Q_2(p')$$

∴ $D(p) \propto p^\alpha (\alpha > 0) \rightarrow f_2(0, p) \sim p^{-\gamma+\alpha}$: harder than protons

Qualitative interpretation

Protons are Shock-accelerated

→ Interactions with surrounding medium

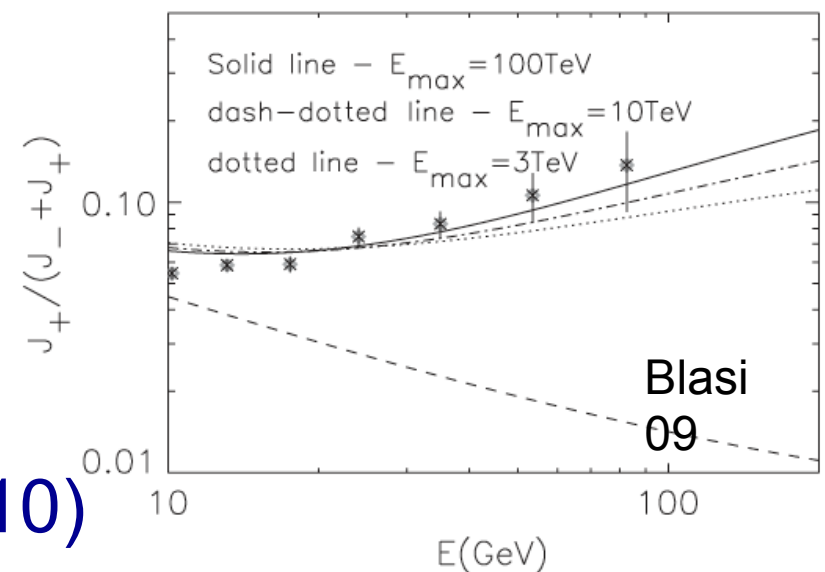
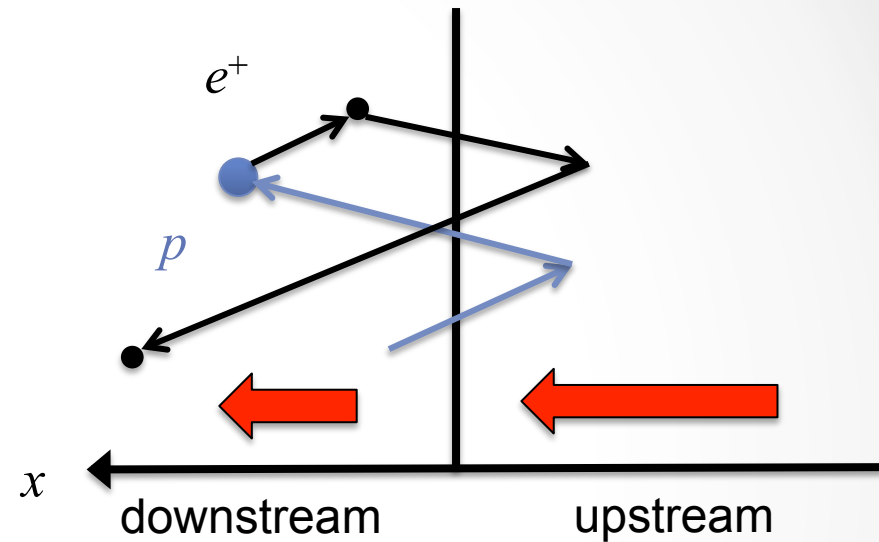
→ e^+ production via pp collisions

→ e^+ are also shock-accelerated

→ Higher energy e^+ are accelerated for a longer time

→ rising e^+ fraction

However, see NK 12 (1207.0010)

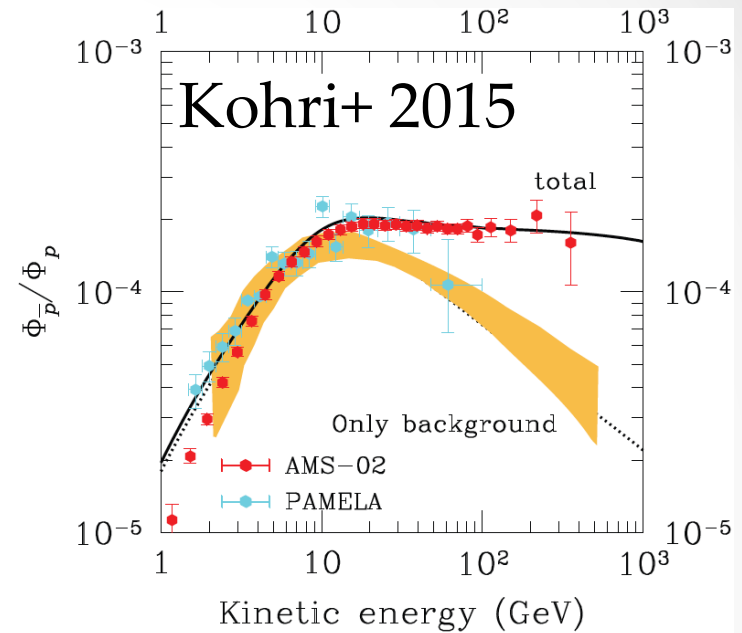


How to test the hadronic scenarios

1. Antiproton spectrum

pp interactions would produce not only positrons but also antiproton

→ Excess from the standard prediction



2. The ratio of secondary-to-primary nuclei

Heavy nuclei are also accelerated

→ Excess of secondary-to-primary ratio (B/C, Ti/Fe etc.) due to spallations

