

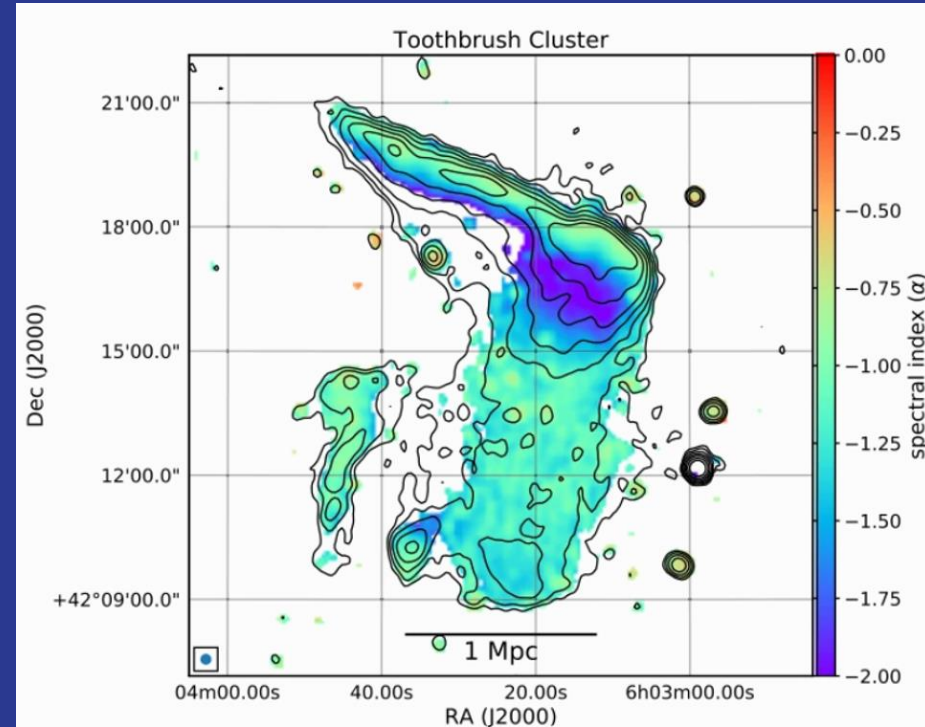
# A Spectral Cosmic Ray Model for Cosmological Simulations

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# Motivation

- CRs -> relativistic, charged particles
- Tracers of magnetic field
- Additional non-thermal pressure component from CR protons (very small in clusters)
- Observable Radio Relics and Radio Halos



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Color: Spectral index  
Contours: Radio intensity

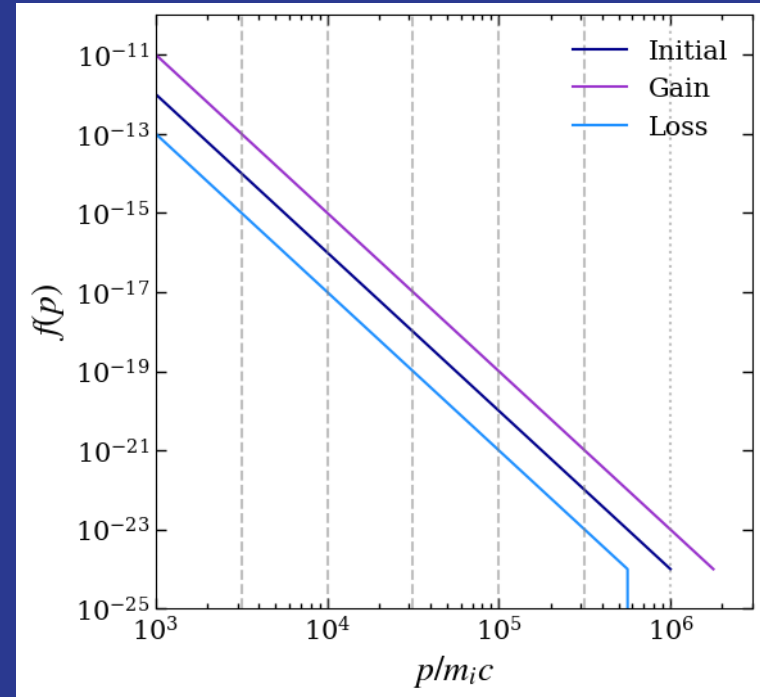
# The Model

## 4 Basic assumptions

1. Every SPH particle contains a population of CRs -> additional fluid component.
2. CRs are distributed in momentum space following a piece-wise power law function.
3. Boundary conditions:
  - Bottom: Open
  - Top: Closed
4. CRs follow gamma-law equation of state.

$$P_{CR} = (\gamma_{CR} - 1)\rho E_{CR}$$

$$f(p) = f_i \left( \frac{p}{p_i} \right)^{-q_i}$$



# The Model

## Diffusion-convection Equation

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- 3) Expansion/Collapse
- 4) Radiative losses
- 5) Diffusion in momentum-space
- 6) Source term
- 7) Catastrophic losses

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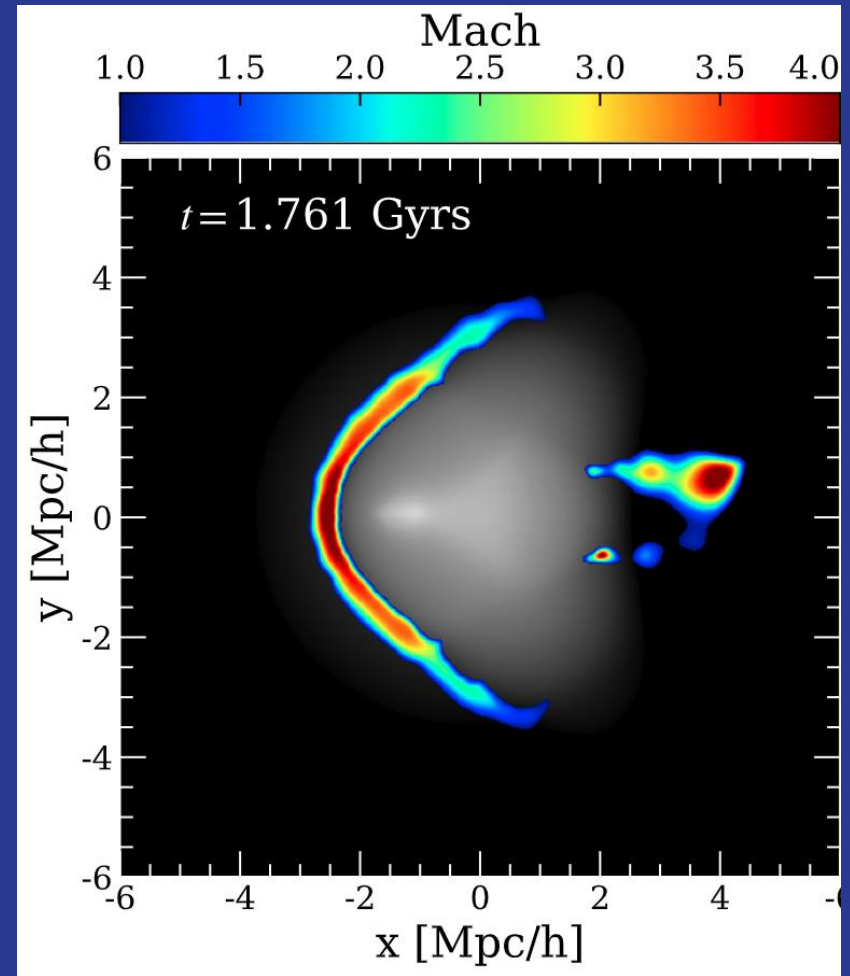
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## Sources - Shocks

- On-the-fly shockfinder (Beck+16)
- At the shock: Shock Energy is converted to CR Energy
- Energy conversion efficiency dependent on shock mach number and B-field geometry
- Spectral slope dependent on shock compression + B-field

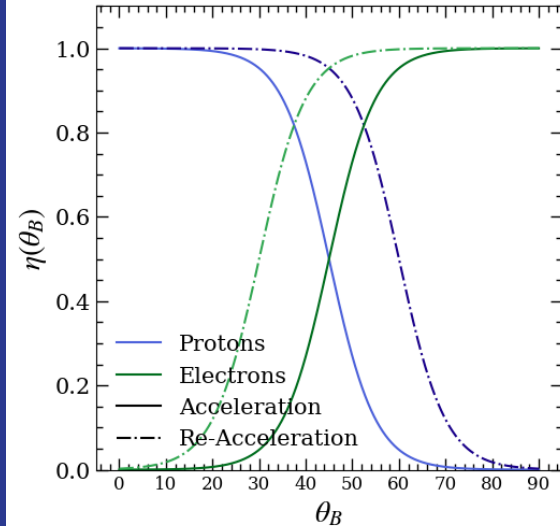
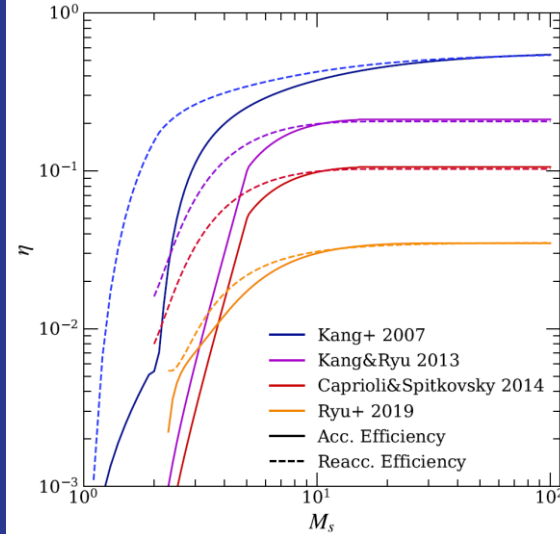


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## Sources - Shocks

- 4 Mach number dependent efficiency models
- 1 Geometry dependent efficiency model

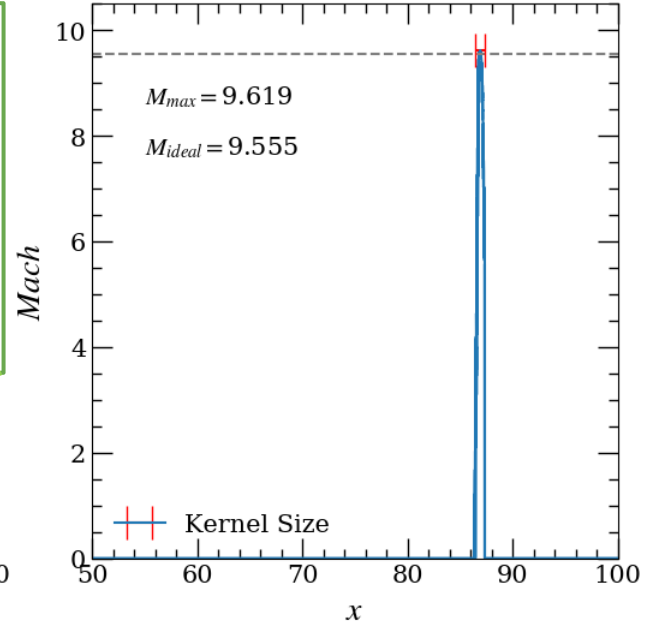
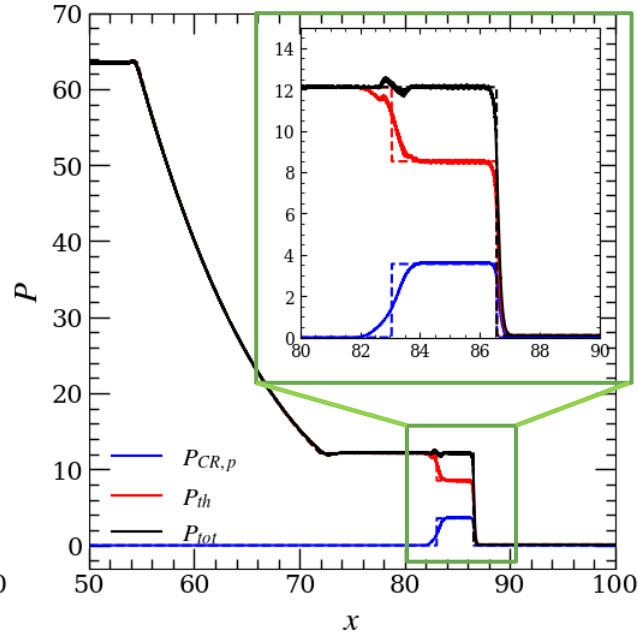
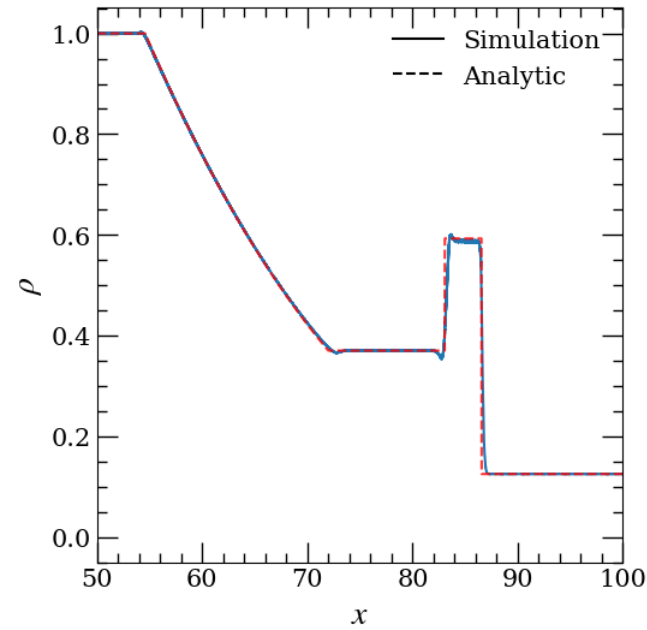
$$\eta(M, \theta_B) = \eta(M) \cdot \eta(\theta_B)$$



Caprioli & Spitkovsky 2014

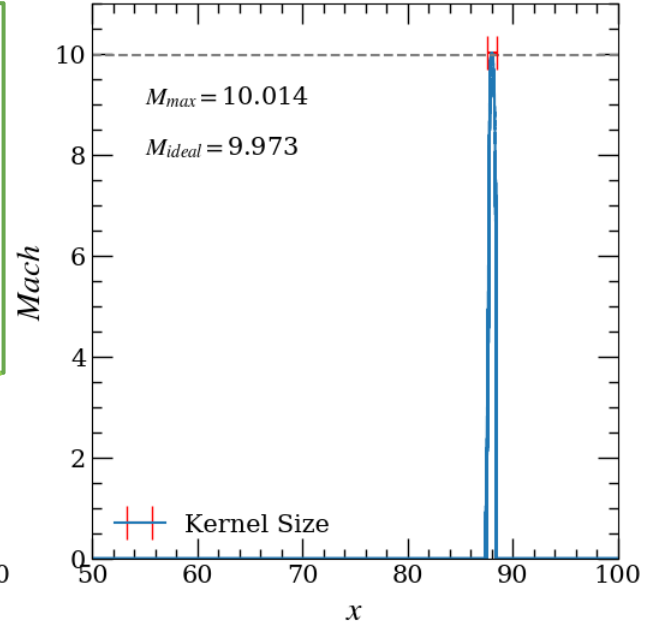
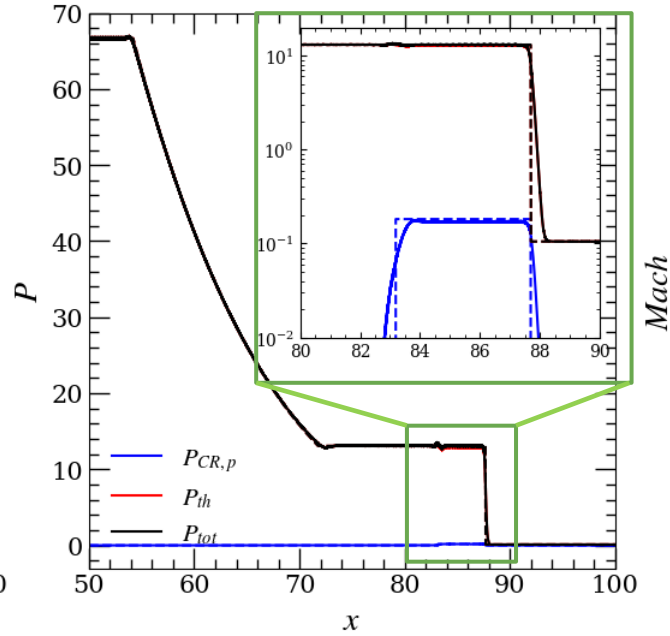
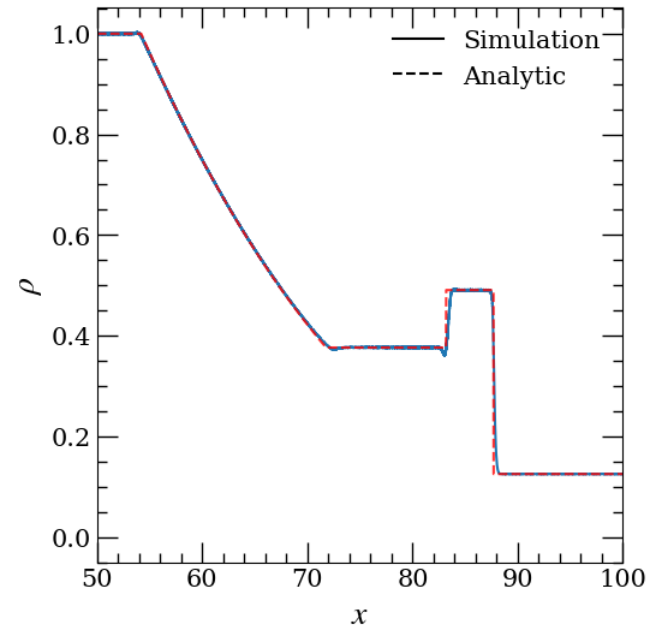
Pais+18

# Pfrommer+17 Test





# Ryu+19 efficiency



# The Model

## Radiative Losses

Currently implemented:

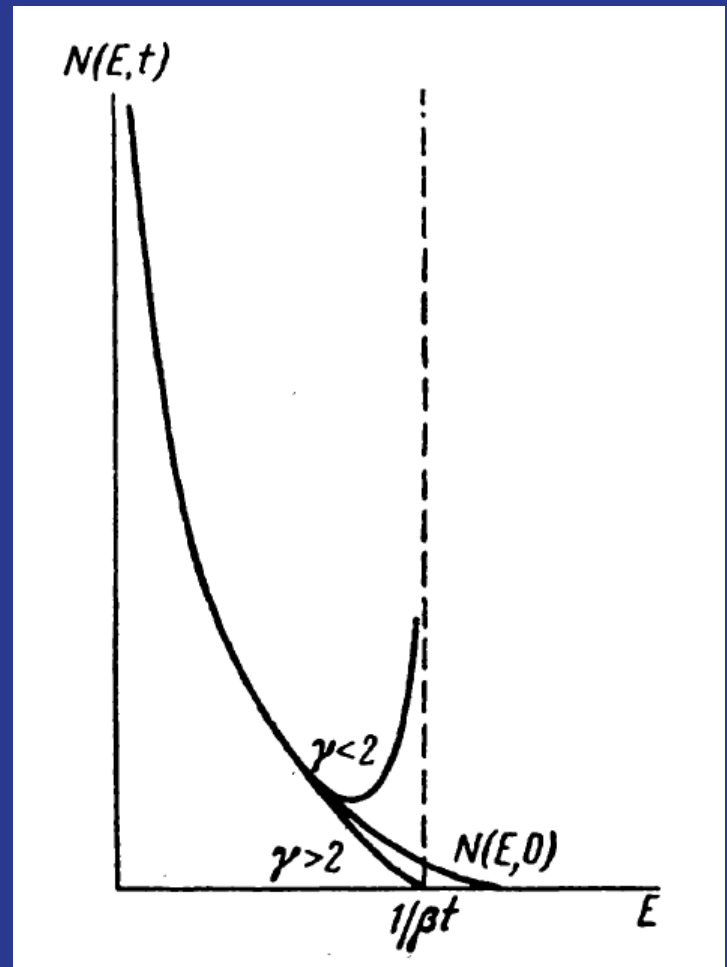
- Losses due to synchrotron radiation.

$$b_{l,syn} \propto U_B p^2 \quad U_B = \frac{B^2}{8\pi}$$

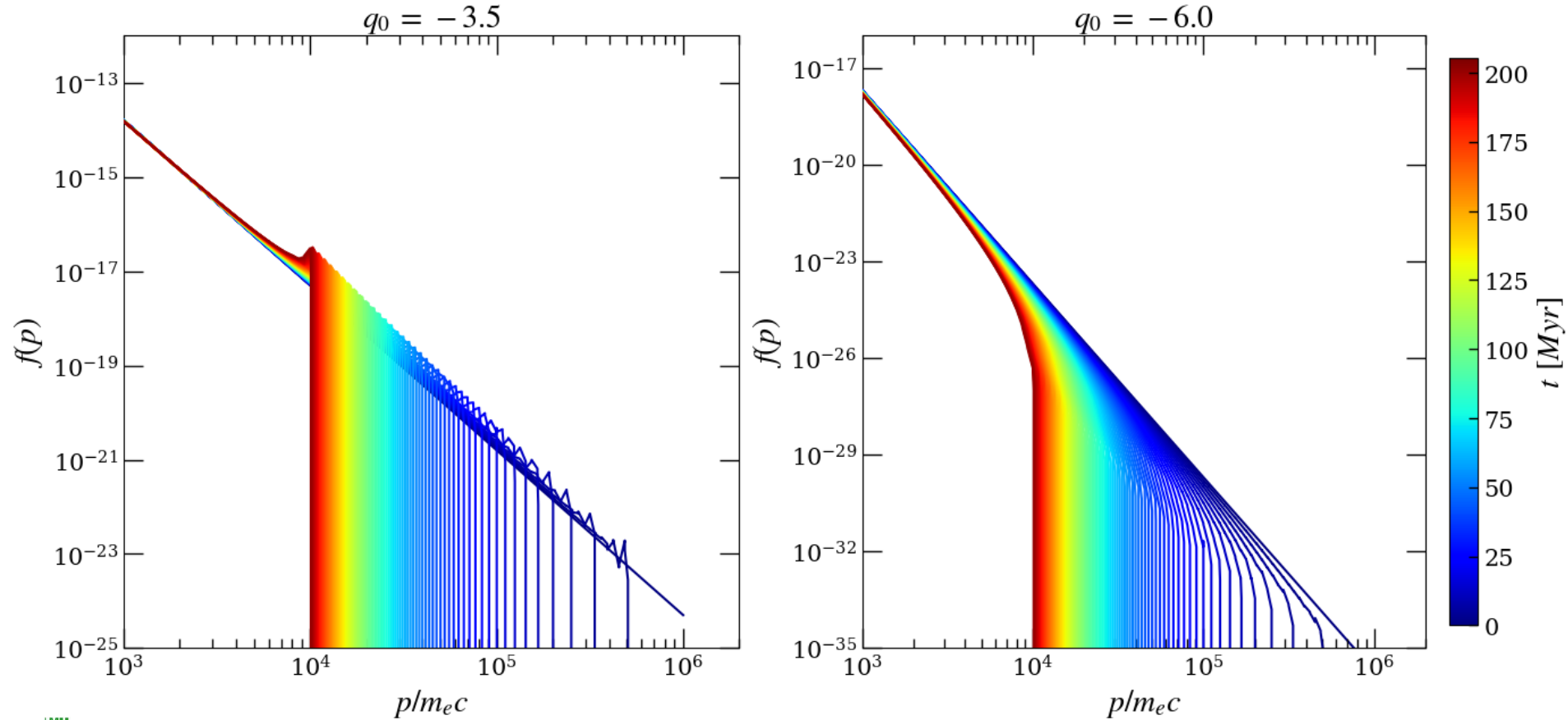
- Losses due to inverse compton scattering with CMB-photons.

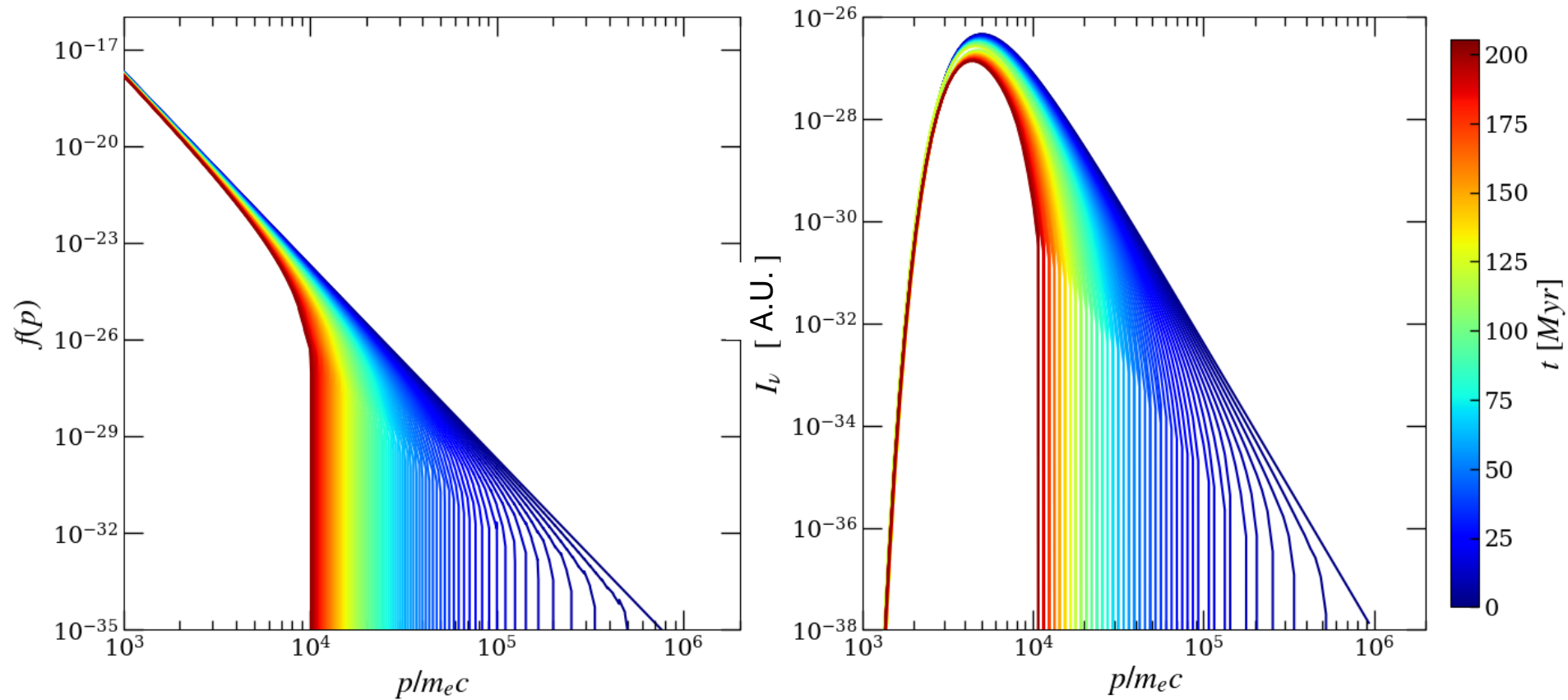
$$b_{l,ic} \propto U_{CMB} p^2$$

$$U_{CMB} \sim (1+z)^4$$



Kardashev (1962)

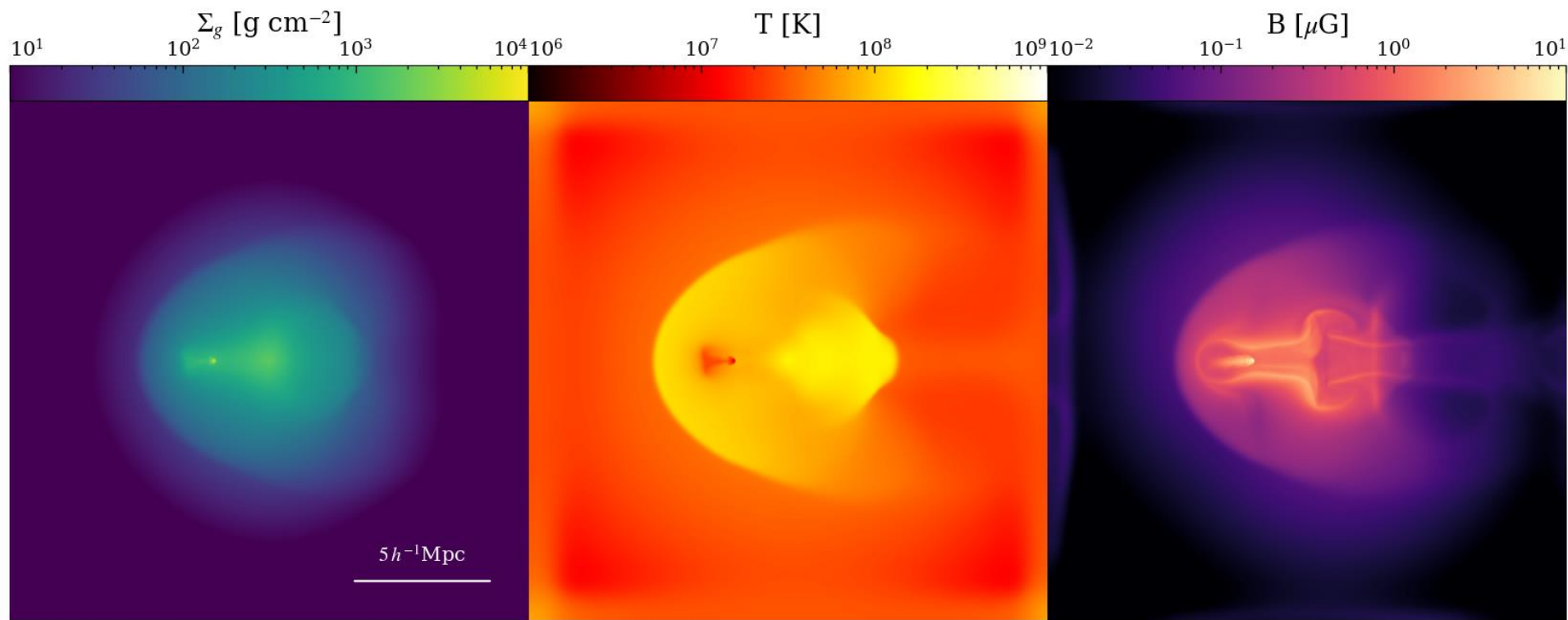




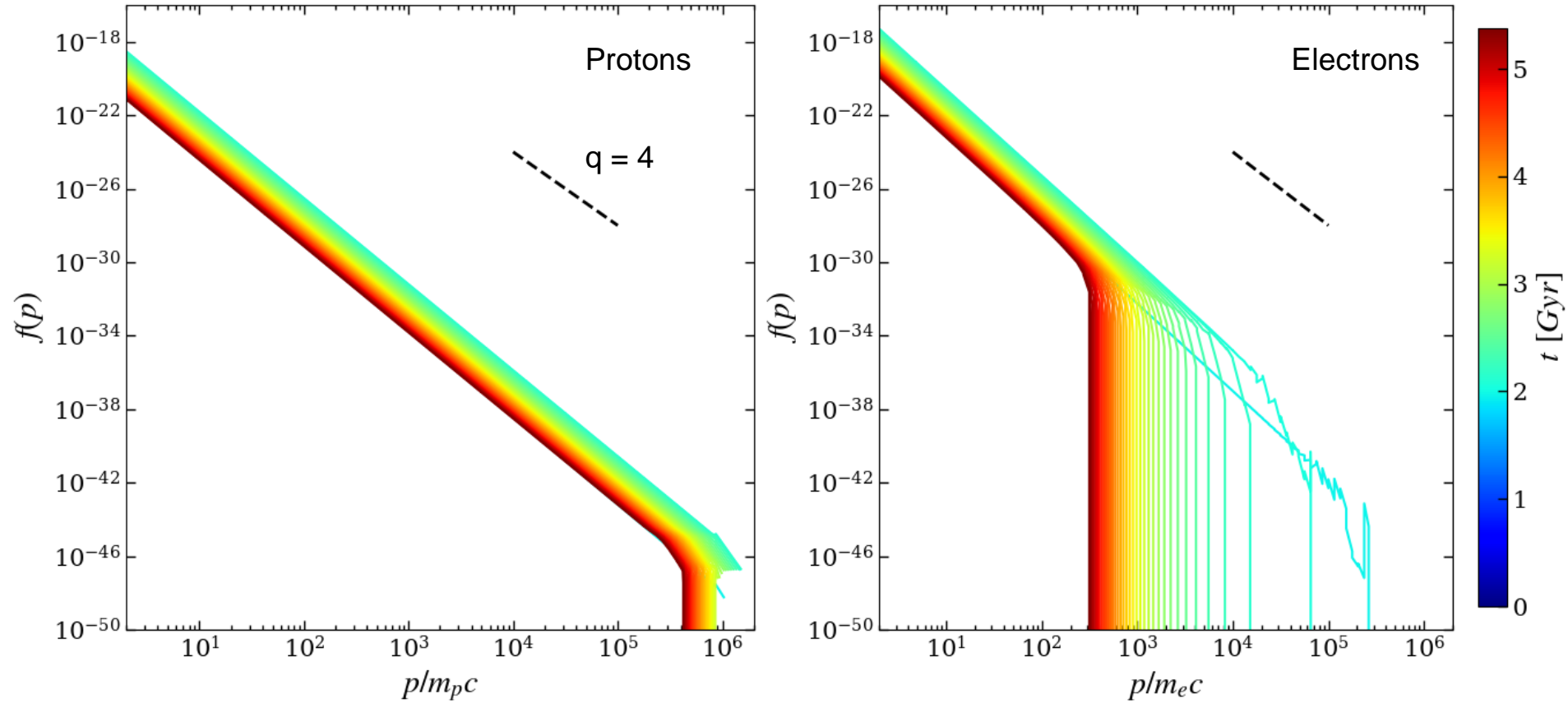
Bringing it all together

Cluster Merger



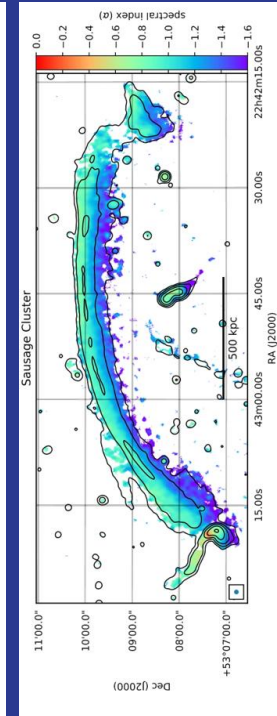
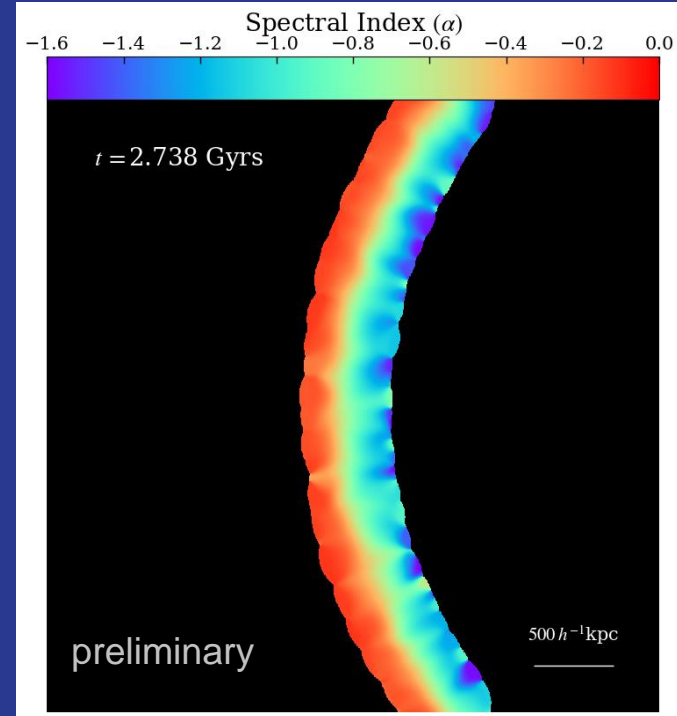


Initial Conditions from ToyCluster (Donnert 2014)



# Radio Relics

- We observe spectral steepening over the relic
- Larger acceleration zone (resolution!)
- Flatter spectra due to stronger shock



This Work

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# Conclusion

- Hydrosolver stays stable with the 2-fluid model.
- Capturing the acceleration efficiency is quite accurate.
- The cooling model shows nice convergence to analytic solution.
- Future work: Zoom simulations with working model to see effect on cosmological scales.

Thank you for  
your attention!