

Particle escape from SNRs and related gamma-ray signatures



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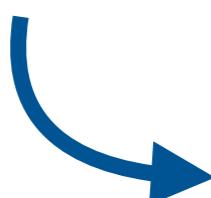


How do accelerated particles become CRs?

Acceleration at the shock: $f_0(p)$



Escape from the shock: $f_{\text{esc}}(p)$

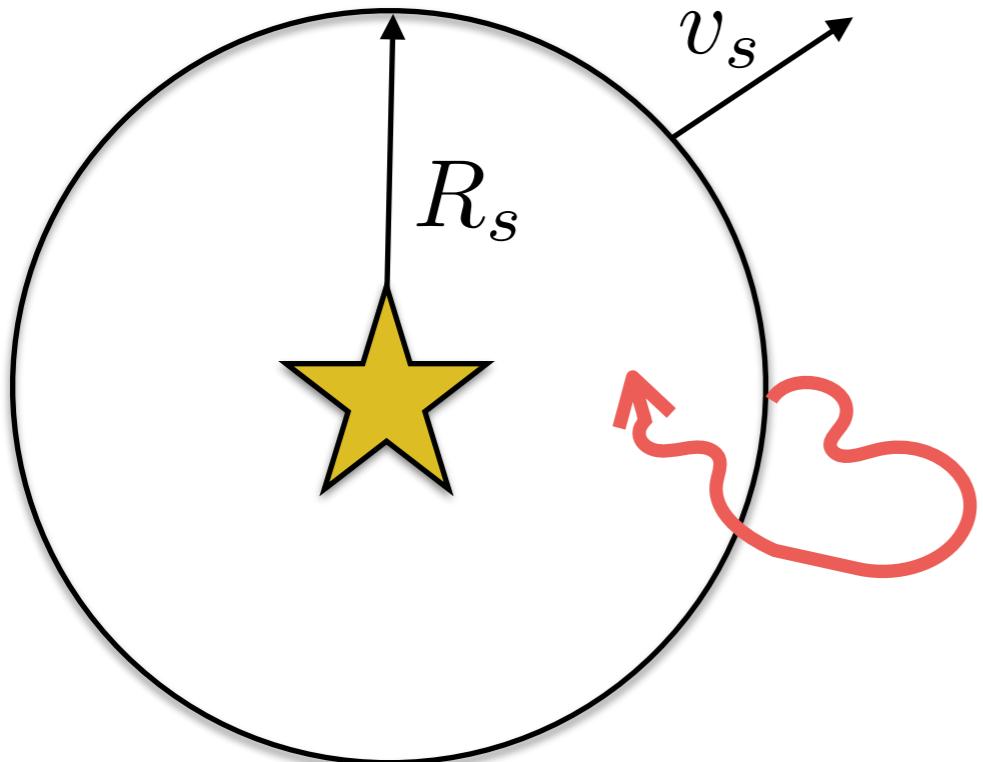


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- Connect the **CR spectrum** observed on Earth with the spectrum of particles released at the sources;
- Understand the current observations of **SNR spectra** → unveil the presence of **PeV particle accelerators**.

A **phenomenological** model to investigate the particle **escape** through spectral and morphological features of SNRs in the **HE** and **VHE** domain.

Proton maximum energy in SNRs



$$t_{\text{acc}} = t_{\text{age}}$$

$$\frac{D(p_{\max})}{v_s^2(t)} = t$$

acceleration
limited by
remnant age

$$p_{\max,0} \propto \mathcal{F}(t) v_s^2(t) t$$

$$\left(\frac{\delta B(\mathbf{x}, t)}{B_0} \right)^2 = \int \mathcal{F}(k, \mathbf{x}, t) d \ln k$$

ST stage: $v_s(t) \propto t^{-3/5}$ $\rightarrow p_{\max,0} \propto \mathcal{F}(t) t^{-1/5}$

$$p_{\max,0}(t) = p_M \left(\frac{t}{t_{\text{Sed}}} \right)^{-\delta}$$

$$\delta > 0$$

$$t_{\text{esc}}(p) = t_{\text{Sed}} \left(\frac{p}{p_M} \right)^{-1/\delta}$$



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$$t_{\text{Sed}} \simeq 1.6 \times 10^3 \text{ yr} \left(\frac{E_{\text{SN}}}{10^{51} \text{ erg}} \right)^{-1/2} \left(\frac{M_{\text{ej}}}{10 M_\odot} \right)^{5/6} \left(\frac{\rho_0}{1 m_p / \text{cm}^3} \right)^{-1/3}$$

A model for particle propagation

Analytical solution of the accelerated **proton** transport

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla f = \frac{p}{3} \frac{\partial f}{\partial p} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} + \nabla \cdot [D \nabla f]$$

$$v(t, r) = \left(1 - \frac{1}{\sigma}\right) \frac{v_{\text{sh}}(t)}{R_{\text{sh}}(t)} r$$

Particles confined inside the SNR

$$\frac{\partial f_{\text{conf}}}{\partial t} + \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla f_{\text{conf}} = \frac{p}{3} \frac{\partial f_{\text{conf}}}{\partial p} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}$$

$$p \leq p_{\max,0}(t)$$

Escaped particles

$$\frac{\partial f_{\text{esc}}}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot [D \nabla f_{\text{esc}}]$$

$$p > p_{\max,0}(t)$$

Matching condition: $f_{\text{esc}}(t_{\text{esc}}) = f_{\text{conf}}(t_{\text{esc}})$

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Assumption 1: spherical symmetry $\mathbf{f}=\mathbf{f}(t, \mathbf{r}, p)$;

Assumption 2: stationary homogeneous diffusion coefficient is assumed inside and outside the remnant

$$D_{\text{in}}(p) = D_{\text{out}}(p) \equiv \chi D_{\text{Gal}}(p) = \chi 10^{28} \left(\frac{pc}{10 \text{ GeV}} \right)^{1/3} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$$



A model for particle propagation

Assumption 3: at every time, a constant fraction ξ_{CR} of the shock ram pressure is converted into CR pressure, such that the acceleration spectrum reads as

$$f_{0,p}(t, p) = \frac{3 \xi_{\text{CR}} \rho_0 v_{\text{sh}}^2(t)}{4\pi c (m_p c)^4 \Lambda(p_{\max,0}(t))} \left(\frac{p}{m_p c} \right)^{-\alpha} \Theta [p_{\max,0}(t) - p]$$

acceleration efficiency constant in time

normalization factor such that

acceleration spectrum ($\alpha \sim 4$ from DSA)

$$P_{\text{CR}} = \xi_{\text{CR}} \rho_0 v_{\text{sh}}^2(t)$$



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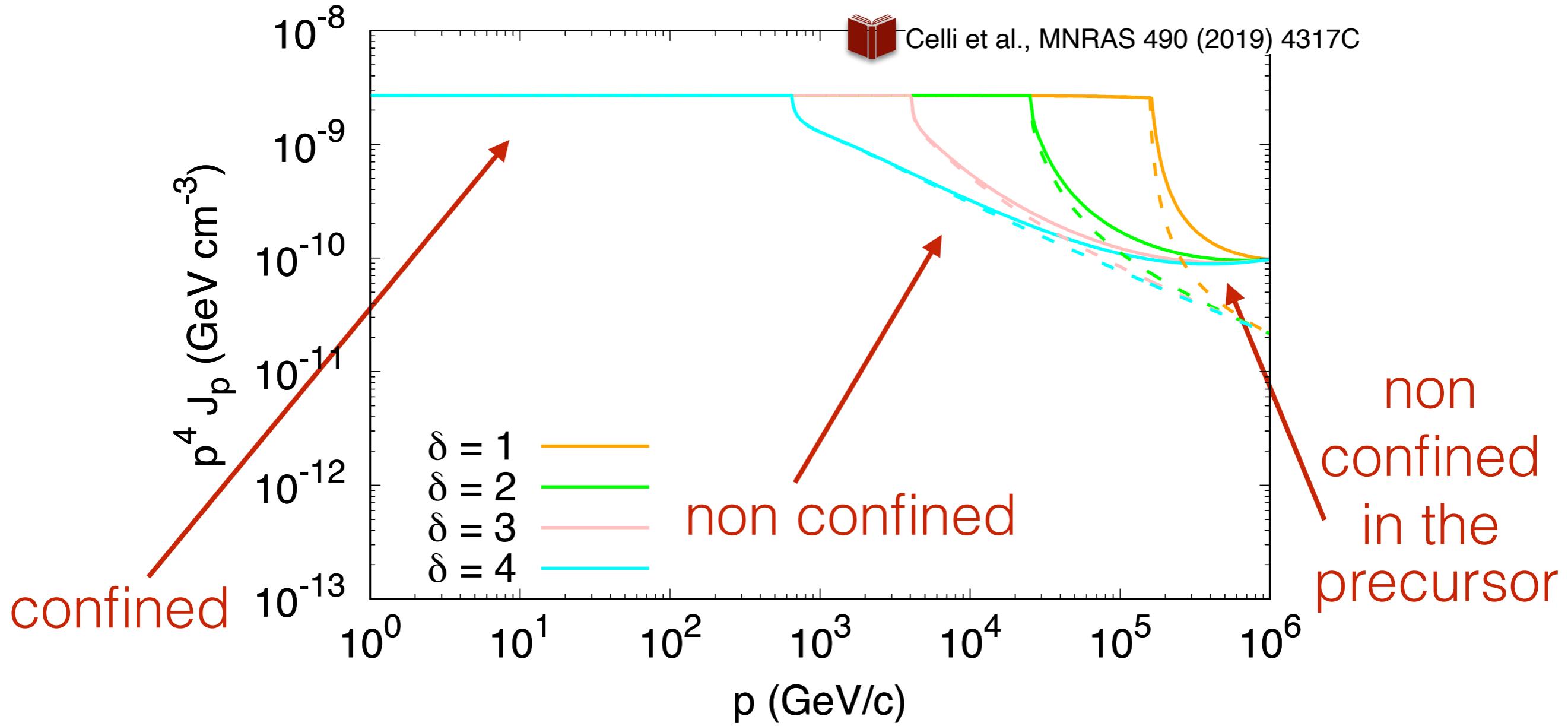
Assumption 4: the shock is evolving through the ST phase

$$R_{\text{sh}}(t) \propto t^{2/5}$$

$$v_{\text{sh}}(t) \propto t^{-3/5}$$

The spectrum of protons inside the SNR

$$J_p^{\text{in}}(t, p) = \frac{4\pi}{V_{\text{SNR}}} \int_0^{R_{\text{sh}}(t)} [f_{\text{esc}}(t, r, p) + f_{p,\text{esc}}(t, r, p) + f_{\text{conf}}(t, r, p)] r^2 dr$$



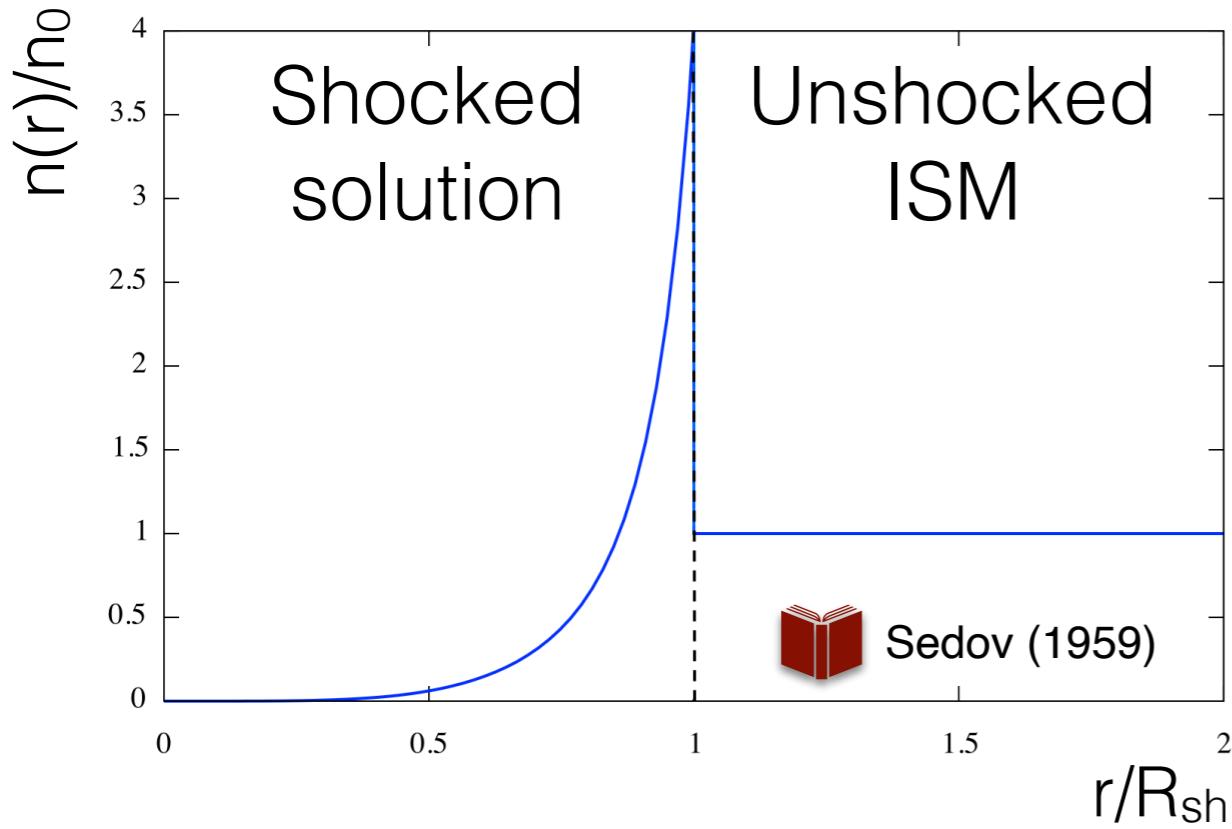
$$D(p) = 10^{27} \left(\frac{pc}{10 \text{ GeV}} \right)^{1/3} \text{cm}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$$

$$T_{\text{SNR}} = 10^4 \text{ yr}$$

$$\xi_{\text{CR}} = 10\%$$

$$n_0 = 1 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

Volume integrated gamma-ray emission from hadronic (pp) interactions



$$f_0(p) \propto p^{-4}$$

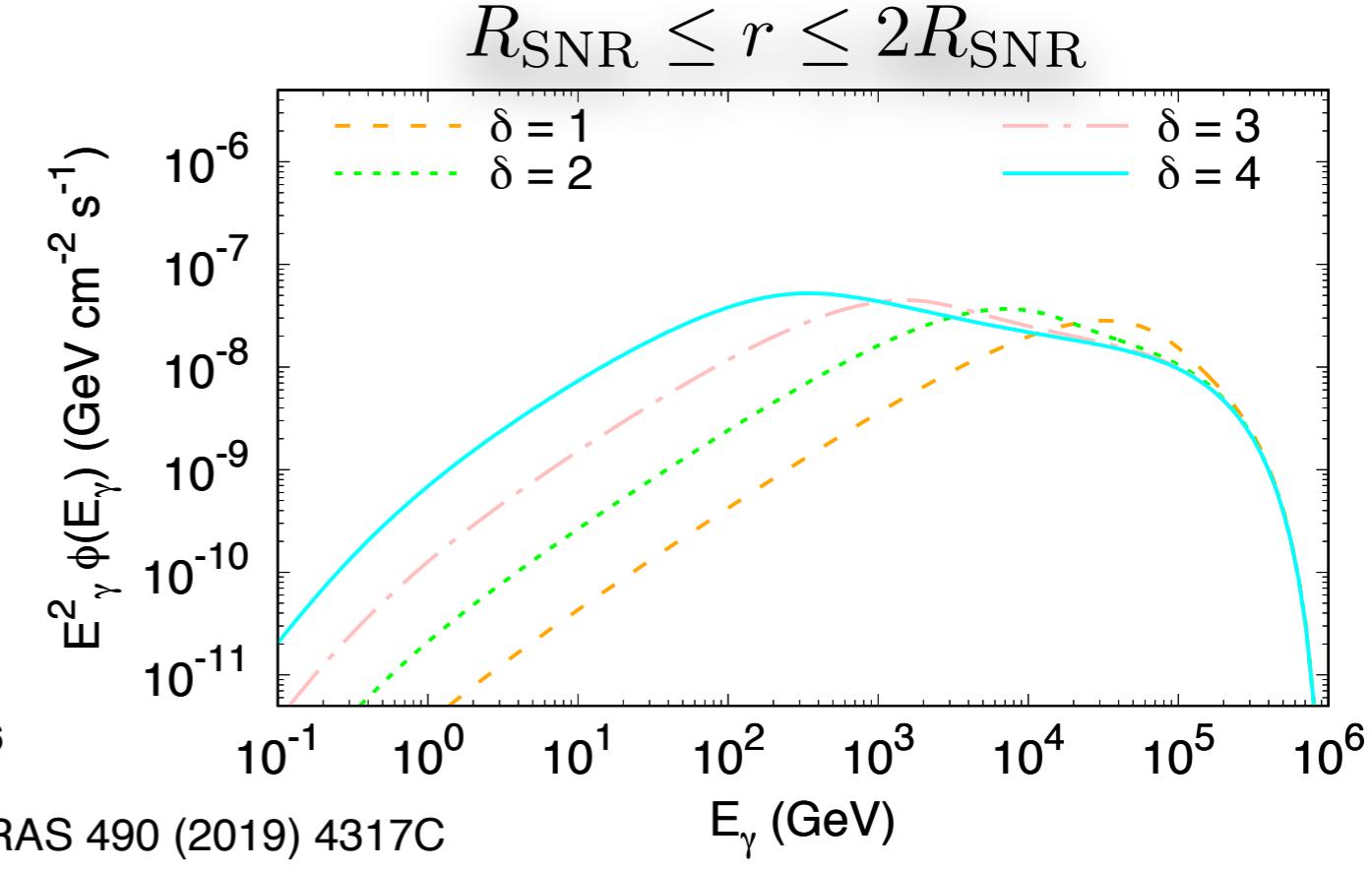
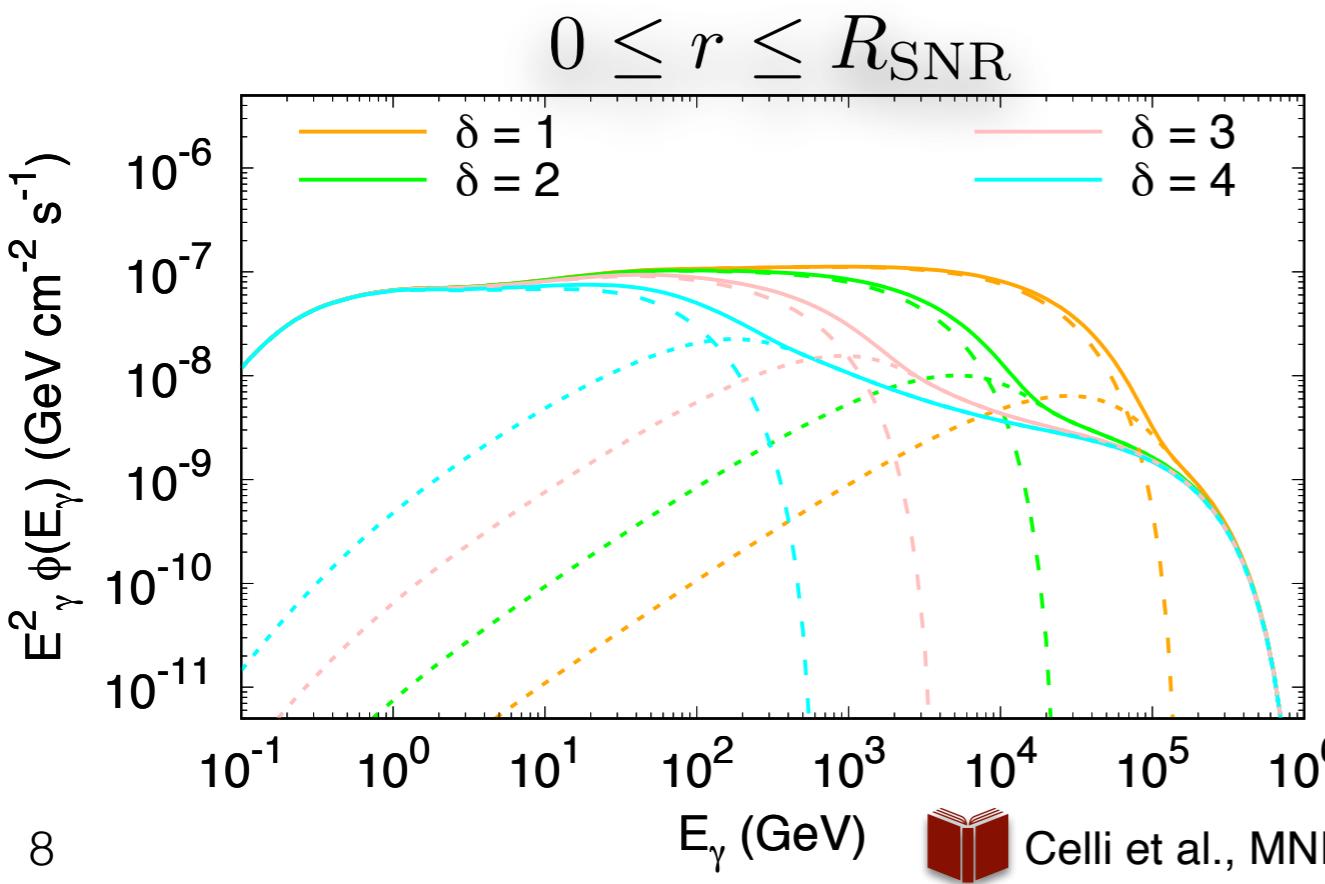
$$D(10 \text{ GeV}/c) = 10^{27} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

$$T_{\text{SNR}} = 10^4 \text{ yr}$$

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$$\xi_{\text{CR}} = 10\%$$

$$d = 1 \text{ kpc}$$

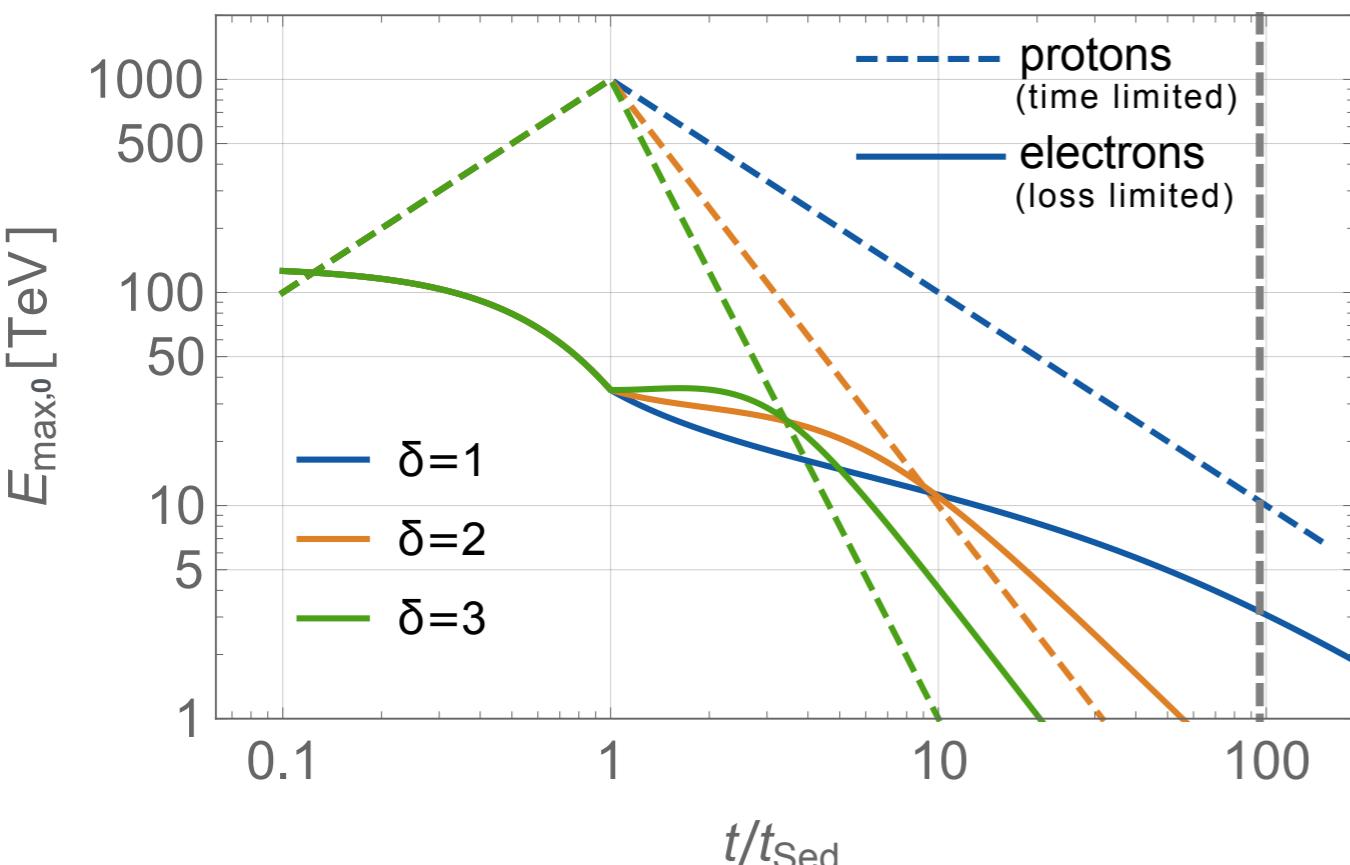


Electron transport and E_{\max} in SNRs

Radiative losses in the proton self-amplified magnetic field and radiation fields strongly affect the electron **maximum energy**:

$$\left(\frac{dE}{dt} \right)_{\text{syn+IC}} = -\frac{\sigma_T c}{6\pi} \left(\frac{E}{m_e c^2} \right)^2 \left(B^2 + B_{\text{eq}}^2 \right)$$

$$t_{\text{acc}} = t_{\text{loss}} \rightarrow \frac{E_{\max,e}(t)}{m_e c^2} = \sqrt{\frac{(\sigma - 1)r_B}{\sigma [r_B(1 + \sigma_{\text{eq}}^2) + \sigma(r_B^2 + \sigma_{\text{eq}}^2)]}} \frac{6\pi e B_0 \mathcal{F}(t)}{\sigma_T B_{1,\text{tot}}^2(t)} \frac{v_{\text{sh}}(t)}{c}$$



$$\frac{dE}{dt} = \left(\frac{dE}{dt} \right)_{\text{syn+IC}} + \frac{E}{L} \frac{dL}{dt}$$



Reynolds, ApJ 493 (1998) 375



Morlino & Caprioli, A&A 538 (2012) 381

$$\rightarrow f_{e,\text{conf}}(E, r, t) = f_{e,0} \left(\frac{E}{L(t', t) - IE}, t' \right) \frac{L^4}{(L - IE)^2}$$

$$f_{e,0}(p) = K_{ep} f_{p,0}(p) \left[1 + 0.523 \left(p/p_{\max,e} \right)^{\frac{9}{4}} \right]^2 e^{-\left(\frac{p}{p_{\max,e}} \right)^2}$$



Aharonian et al., A&A 465 (2007) 695

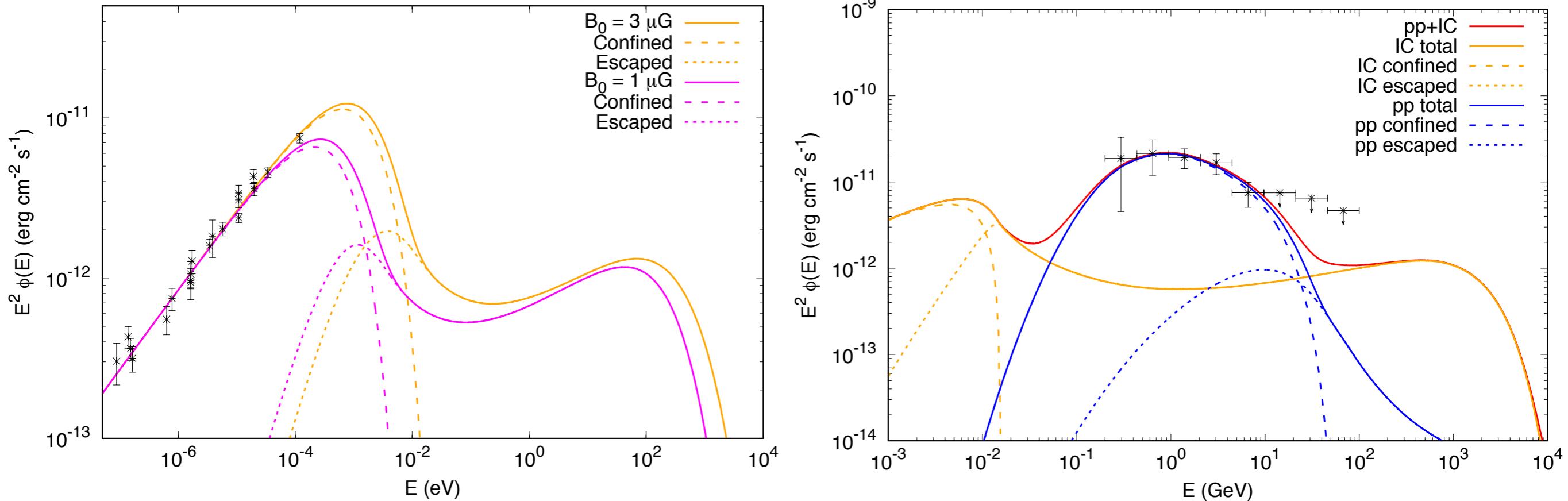


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The Cygnus Loop SNR

| Cygnus Loop properties | | | | | | Acceleration model parameters | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|---------|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|------|-------|----------|-----------------|-------|-----------------|
| Assumed | | | Derived | | | ξ_{CR} | s | E_M | δ | K_{ep} | B_0 | χ |
| E_{SN} | M_{ej} | t_{age} | d | n_0 | R_{sh} | u_{sh} | 0.07 | 4.0 | 200 TeV | 3 | 0.15 | 3 μG |
| $7 \times 10^{50} \text{ erg}$ | $5 M_{\odot}$ | $2.1 \times 10^4 \text{ yr}$ | 735 pc | 0.4 cm^{-3} | 20 pc | 380 km s^{-1} | | | | | | 1 |

Loru et al., MNRAS 500 (2020) 5177



- $\delta \geq 2$ → **Temporal evolution of magnetic turbulence:** MFA + damping effects?
- $K_{\text{ep}} \simeq 0.15$ → **Electron to proton injection ratio:** hints for Kep increasing with decreasing shock speed?
- $\xi_{\text{CR}} \simeq 10\%$ → **CR acceleration efficiency:** Standard value in the SNR theory.

Conclusions

- Particle **escape** is a poorly understood mechanism, strongly embedded in the process of particle acceleration
→ it depends on the time evolution of magnetic turbulence.
- Modeling of the broadband emission of middle-aged SNRs (e.g. Cygnus Loop) can explain the **steep spectra** and low **maximum energy** observed in the **HE** and **VHE** emission
→ constraints on escape from SNR population studies.
- Results obtained can be used as a strategy to search for **PeV CR-proton accelerators**:
 - TeV halos around young-middle aged SNRs (CTA);
 - Passive molecular clouds illuminated by PeVatrons.



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