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# Gamma-rays from young SNRs in dense circumstellar environments

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# Galactic cosmic-rays

## Possible sources

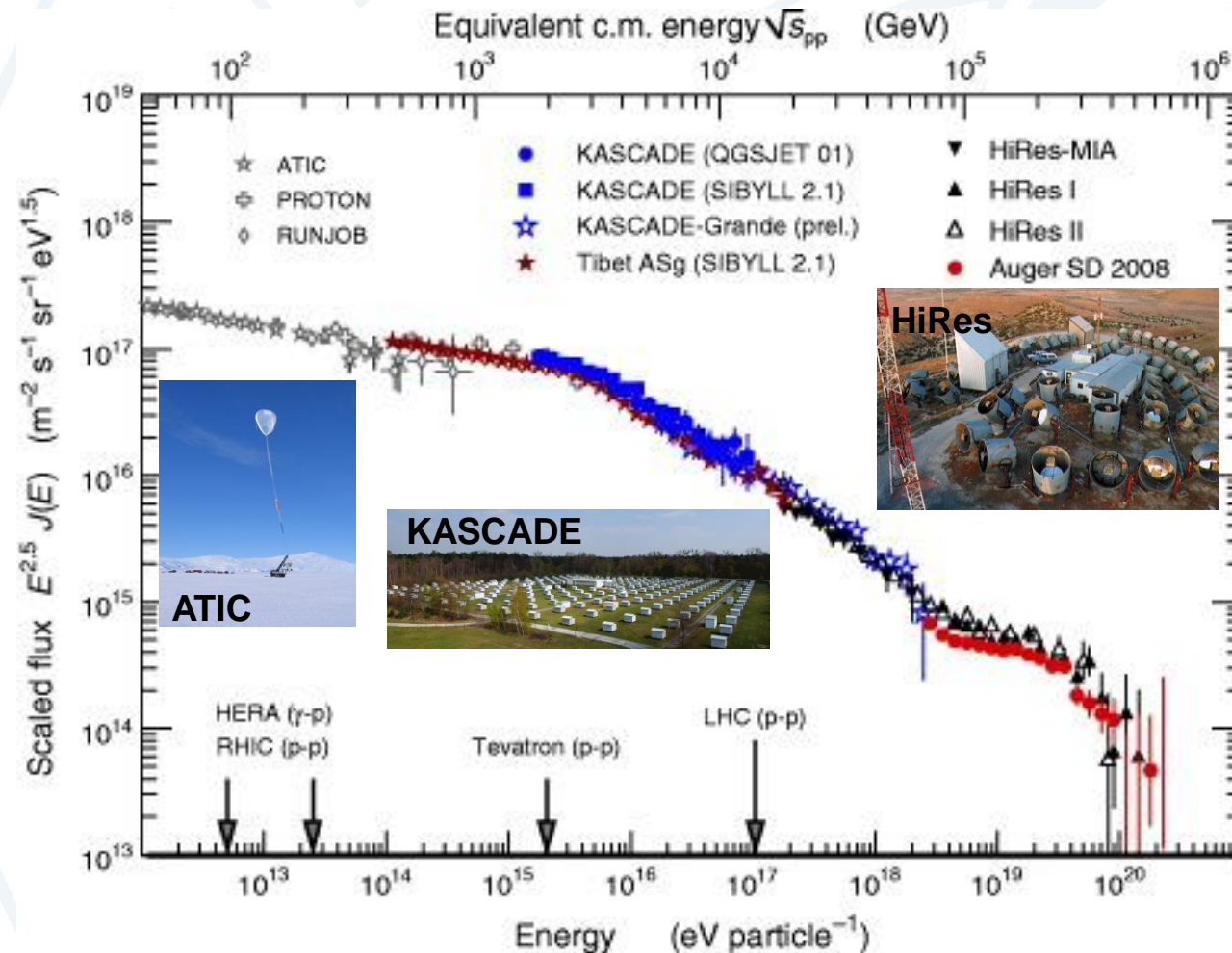


Figure: The cosmic ray spectrum (Blümer et al. 2019)

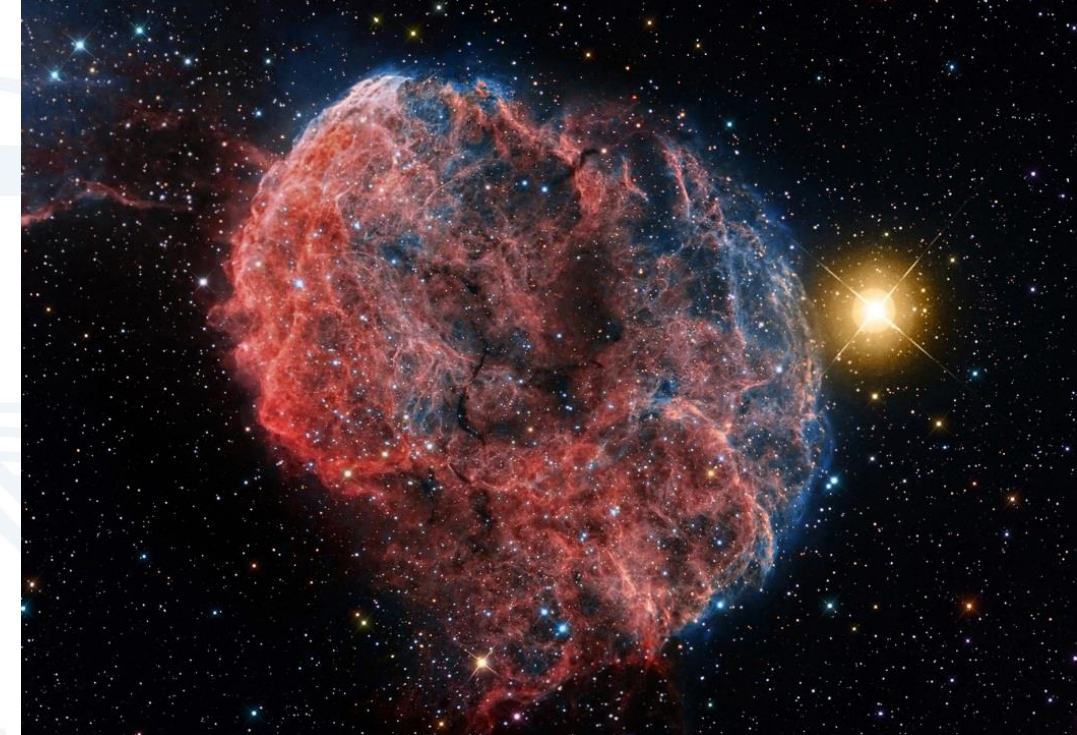


Figure: IC443 – multi wavelength image (credit: Dieter Willasch)

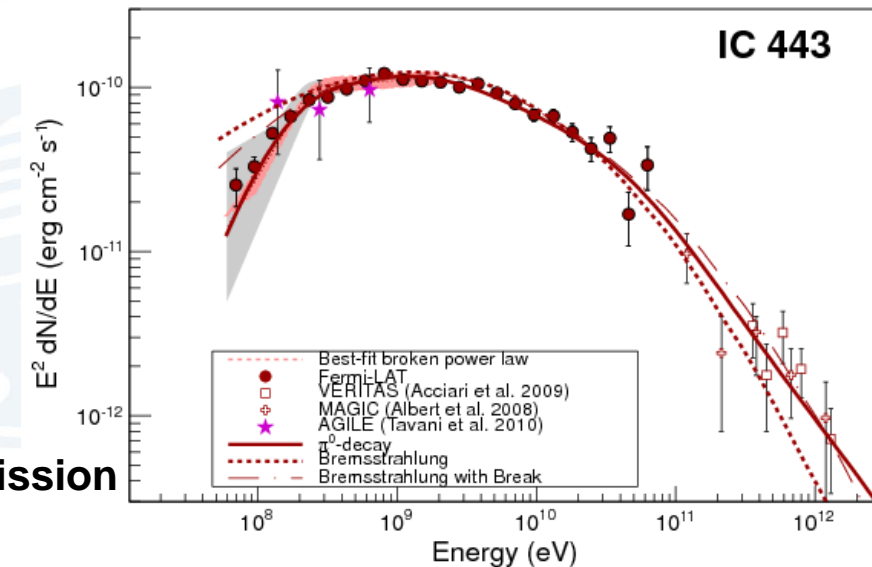


Figure: IC443 – gamma ray emission (Funk et al. 2013)

# SNRs as cosmic-ray sources

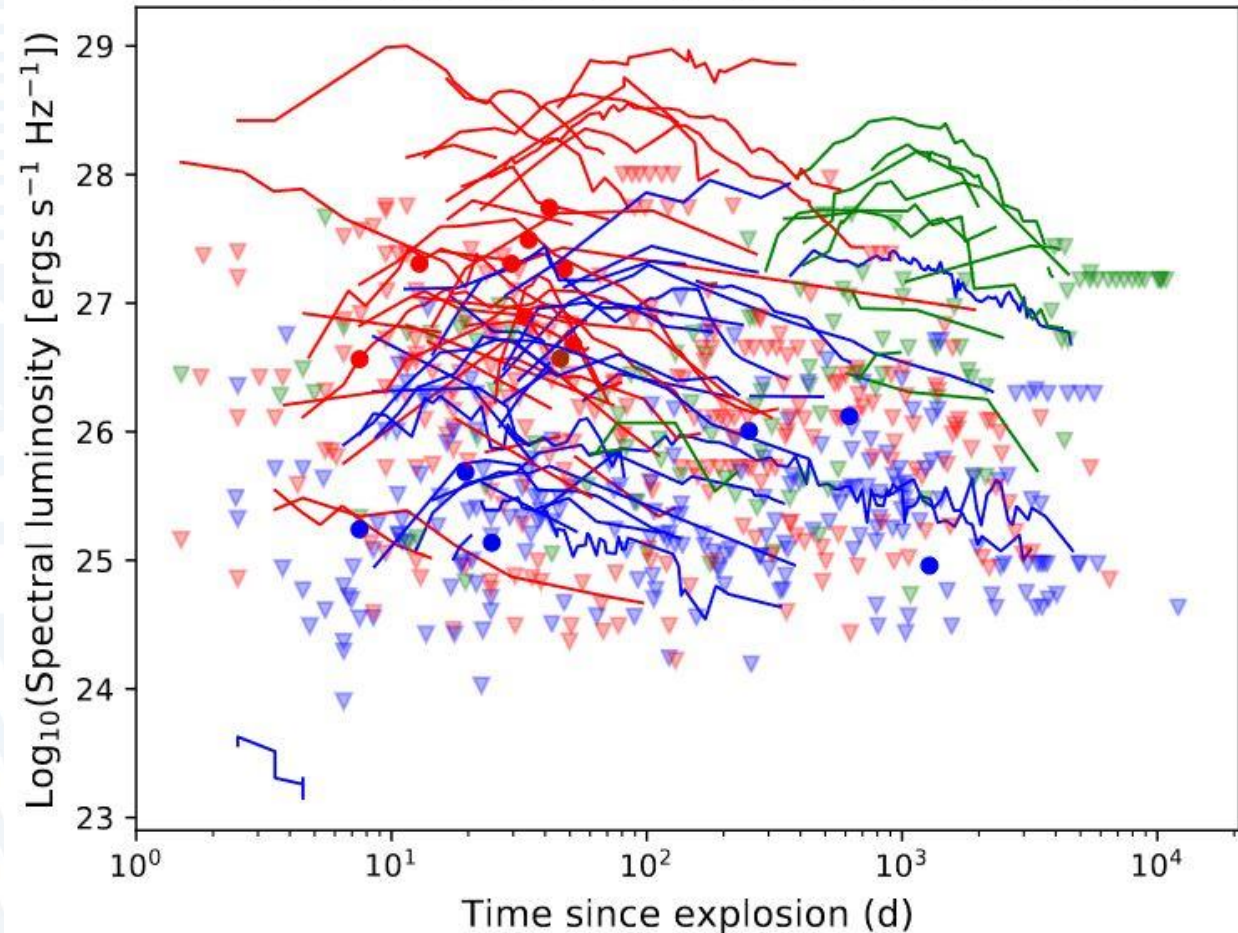
## Experimental evidence

- Some CC supernovae are bright in radio, optical and X-rays (Type-IIIn)
- Bright Radio and X-ray SNe often show signs of circumstellar interaction (Chevalier 1982)
- Radio emission is synchrotron  $\rightarrow$  also expect gamma-ray emission
- Theoretical models predict high-energy radiation if particle acceleration is efficient (e.g., Murase+2011, Marcowith+2018)

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Radio Lightcurves for All SNe with Known Types



**Figure: Early-time Radio emission from SNs of various types (Bietenholz et al.2021)**

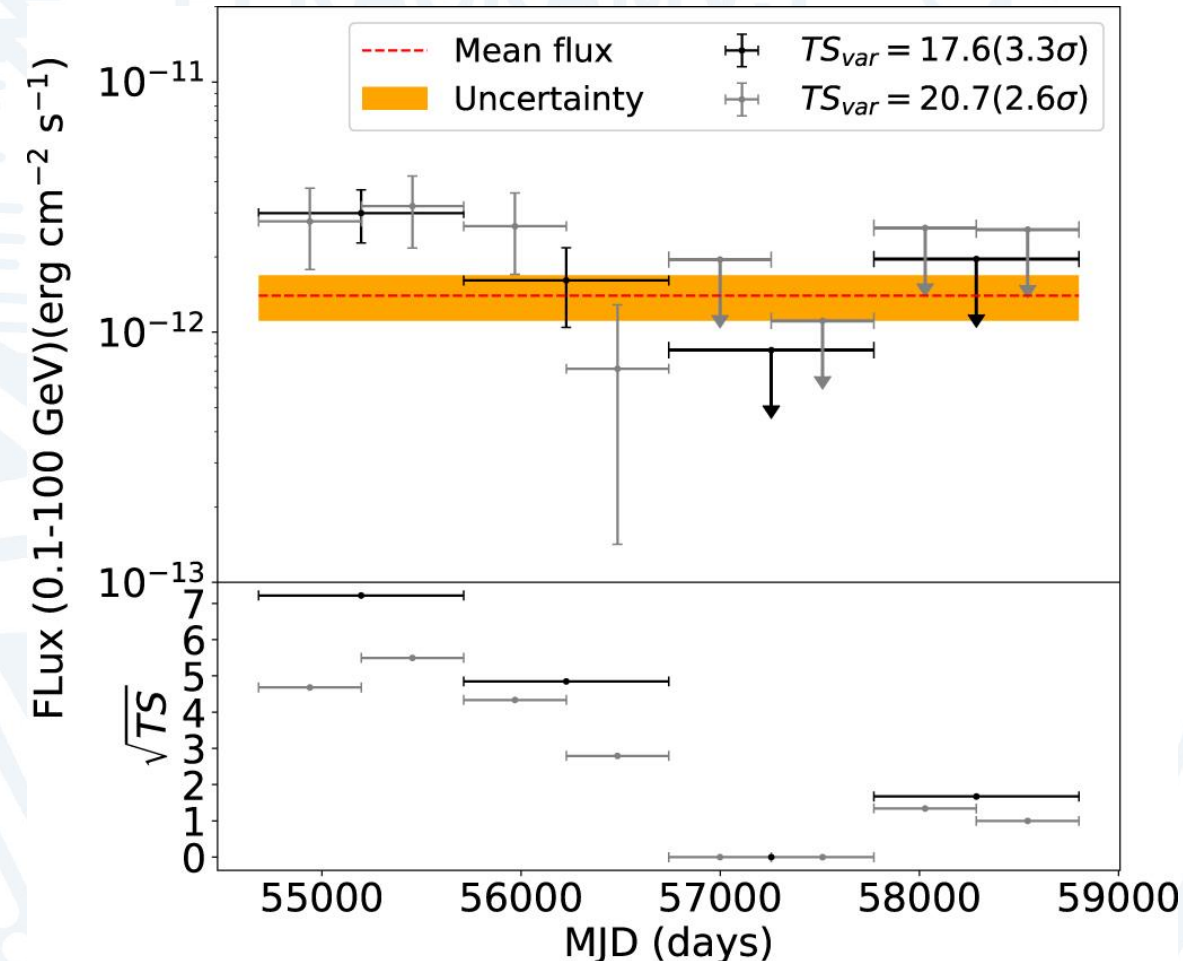
# SNRs as cosmic-ray sources

## Experimental evidence

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- H.E.S.S. Collaboration (2019) obtained upper limits on TeV emission from nearby CCSNe
- Ongoing HESS ToO programme so far has no detections
- Xi+(2020) detected  $\gamma$ -rays from the location of SN 2004dj, a bright and nearby SN IIP, with FERMI-LAT
- A recent variability analysis of FERMI-LAT data found evidence in support of 2 further detections (Prokhorov+2021).
- Also suggestion of increasing flux from SN1987A with FERMI-LAT (Malyshev+2019)



**Figure: Light curve of the gamma-ray flux from SN 2004dj (Xi+2020)**

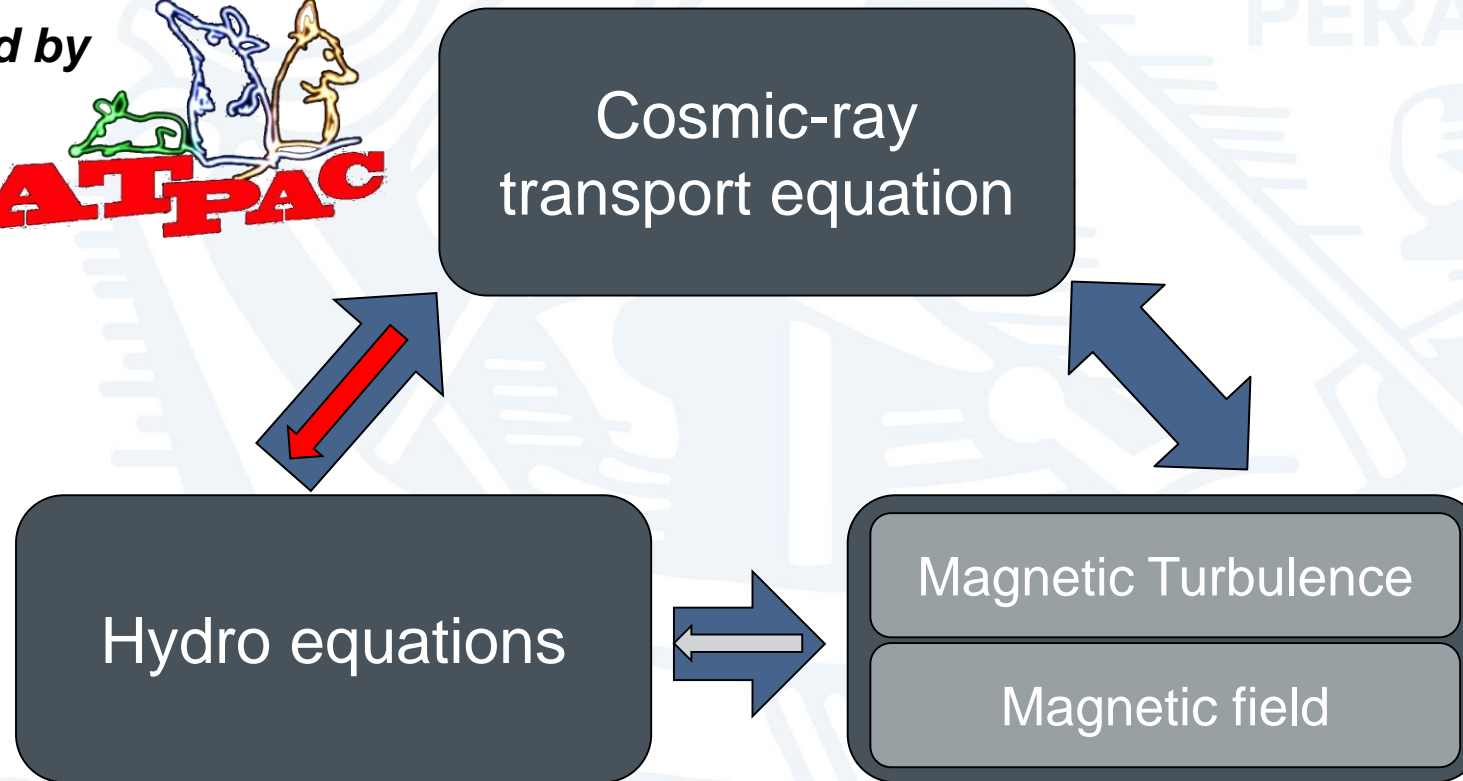
# Fermi acceleration

## Coupled equations

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Other contributions using RATPaC:

[18] SNRs: CR escape and gamma-ray halo formation

[88] Spectral softening in CC-SNRs

Standard DSA

Non-linear DSA

NDSA + high MF



# Fermi acceleration

## The equations

$$\frac{\partial N}{\partial t} = \underbrace{\nabla D_r \nabla N}_{\text{Diffusion}} - \underbrace{\nabla v N}_{\text{Advection}} - \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial p} \left( N \dot{p} - \frac{v}{3} N p \right)}_{\text{Cooling Acceleration}} + \underbrace{Q}_{\text{Injection}}$$

$$\frac{\partial E_W}{\partial t} = - \underbrace{(v \nabla_r E_W + c \nabla_r v E_W)}_{\text{Advection + Compression}} + \underbrace{k^3 \nabla_k D_k \nabla_k \frac{E_W}{k^3}}_{\text{Cascading}} + \underbrace{2(\Gamma_g - \Gamma_d) E_W}_{\text{Growth + Damping}}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \begin{pmatrix} \rho \\ \mathbf{m} \\ E \end{pmatrix} + \nabla \begin{pmatrix} \rho \mathbf{v} \\ \mathbf{m} \mathbf{v} + (P) \mathbf{I} \\ (E + P) \mathbf{v} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ L \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\frac{\rho v^2}{2} + \frac{P}{\gamma - 1} = E$$

**The equations are solved:**

- One dimensional
- Assuming spherical symmetry
- Including Synchrotron and inverse-Compton cooling for electrons
- On a comoving, expanding grid for turbulence and CRs → no free escape boundary

# Hydrodynamic Setup

SNe expanding into a steady wind medium

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## “Luminous Blue Variable (LBV)” model

- Dense and powerful wind from a massive star
- $\dot{M} = 10^{-2} M_{\odot}/yr$
- $v_{\infty} = 100 \text{ km/s}$
- Model 1: fixed **5 $\mu$ G** magnetic field in the wind at all radii
- Model 2: **1 G at 1000 R<sub>sun</sub>** stellar field with  $B \propto r^{-1}$  at large  $r$
- Both cases: Ejecta-distribution following Chevalier (1982) with:  
**LBV:**  $E = 10^{51} \text{ erg}$ ,  $M_{ej} = 10 M_{\odot}$ , density power-law index  $n = 10$   
**RSG:**  $E = 10^{51} \text{ erg}$ ,  $M_{ej} = 3 M_{\odot}$ , density power-law index  $n = 9$
- Initial ejecta-radius:  $10^{14} \text{ cm}$ .

## Red Supergiant (RSG) Model

- Slow dense wind from RSG progenitor, at upper end of mass range
- $\dot{M} = 8 \times 10^{-5} M_{\odot}/yr$
- $v_{\infty} = 15 \text{ km/s}$



# Results

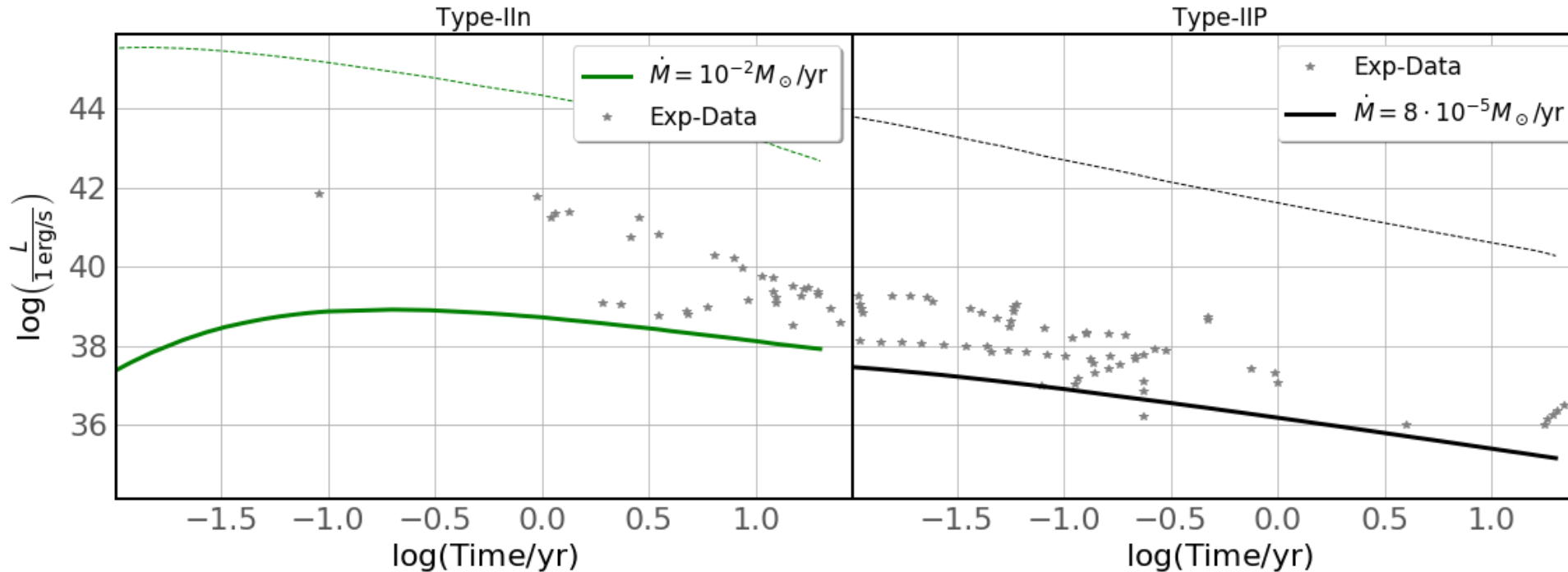


# Thermal X-ray emission

## Model vs. measurement

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**Figure:** X-ray luminosity over time.

- Continuum X-ray emissivity in post-shock medium
- Unabsorbed X-ray luminosity far above observations
- Considering local absorption in stellar wind and shocked shell, obtain better agreement with observations (Dwarkadas 2014)
- Peak of lightcurve later in denser wind because of absorption



# Non-thermal particle distribution

## Time evolution of particle spectrum

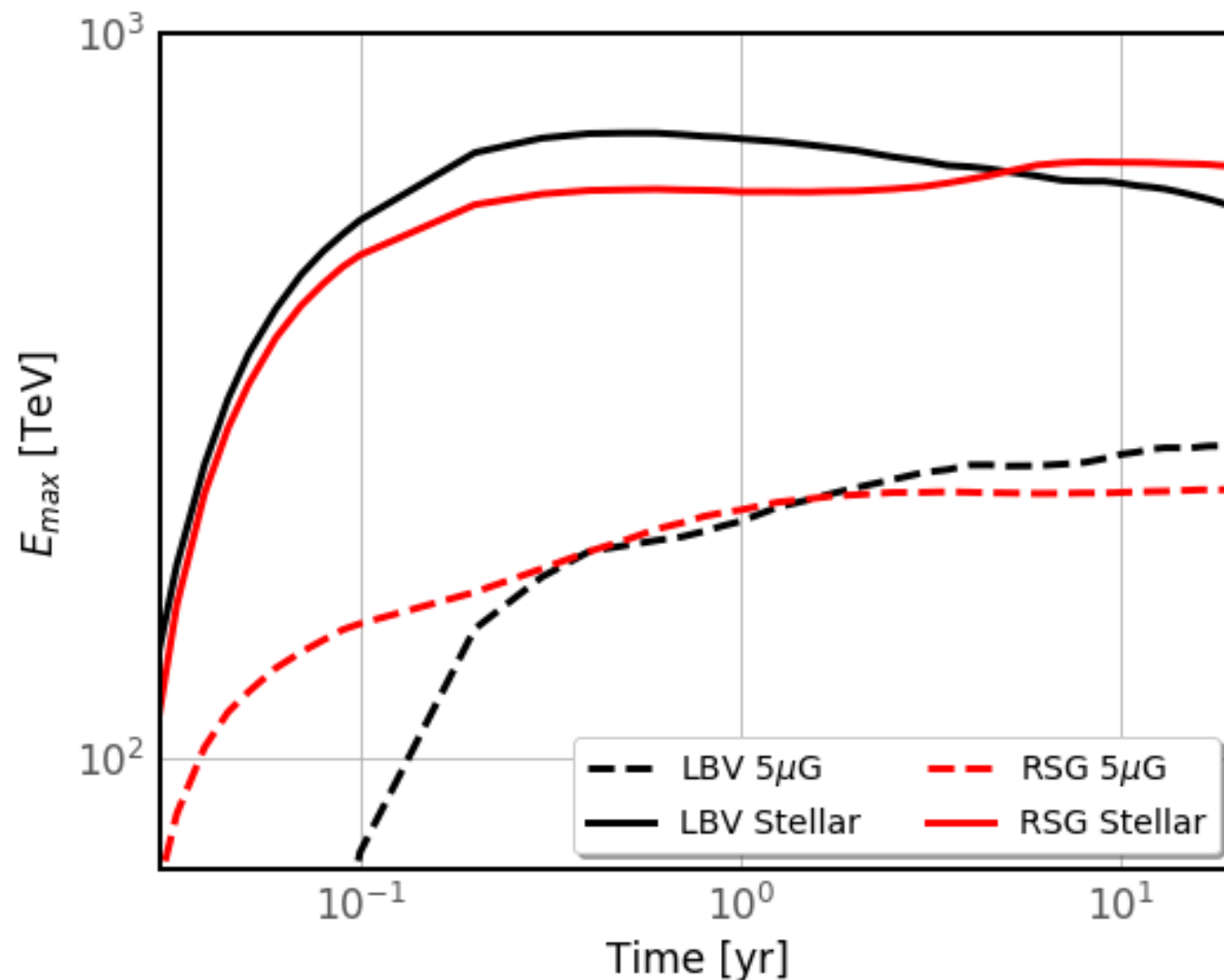
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- Fit momentum spectrum with power-law plus exponential cutoff  $\rightarrow E_{\max}$
- **Acceleration time** is  **$\sim 1$  month** to get to quasi-steady state
- $E_{\max} \approx 250$  TeV constant (and weak) upstream B-field
- $E_{\max} \approx 700$  TeV for  $B \propto r^{-1}$  ambient-field

**No model assumption gives**

$$E_{\max} \geq 1\text{PeV}$$

(stellar field is already quite strong)



**Figure:** Maximum energy over time.

# Non-thermal particle distribution

## Time evolution of gamma-ray emission

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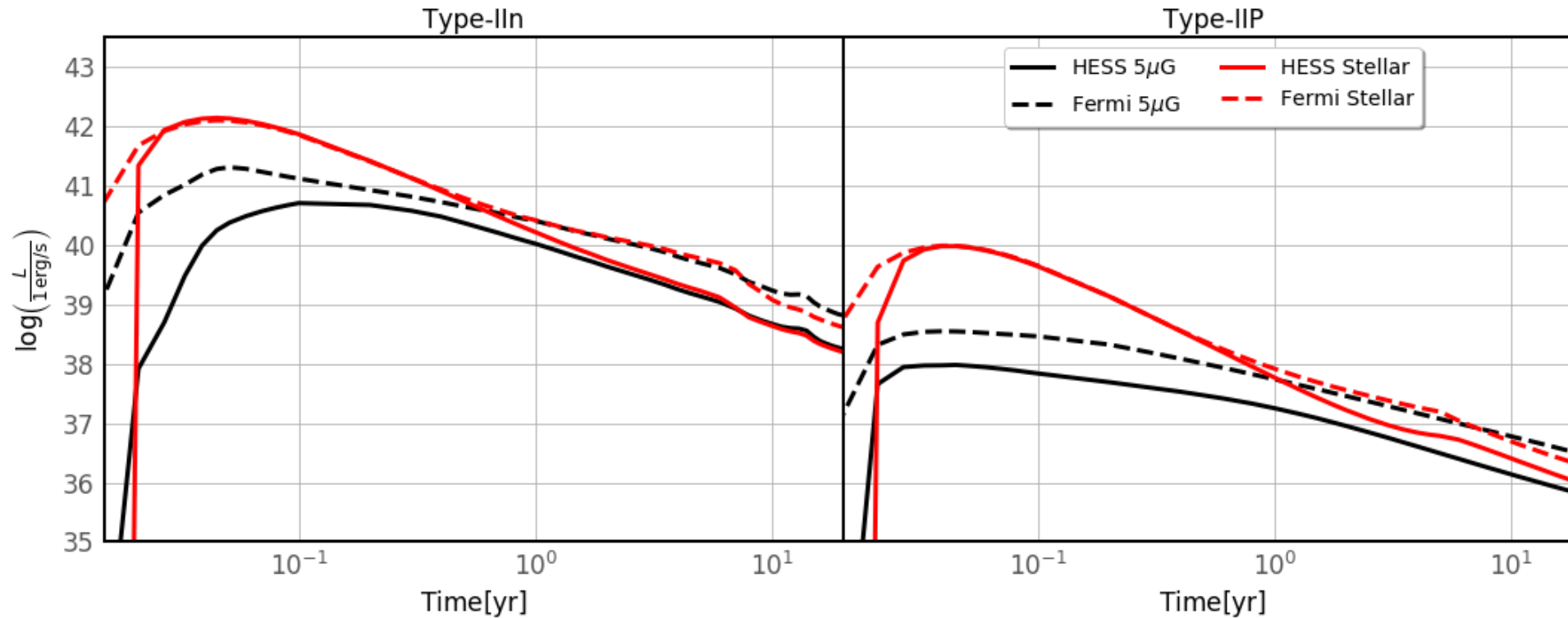


Figure: Gamma-ray luminosity over time.

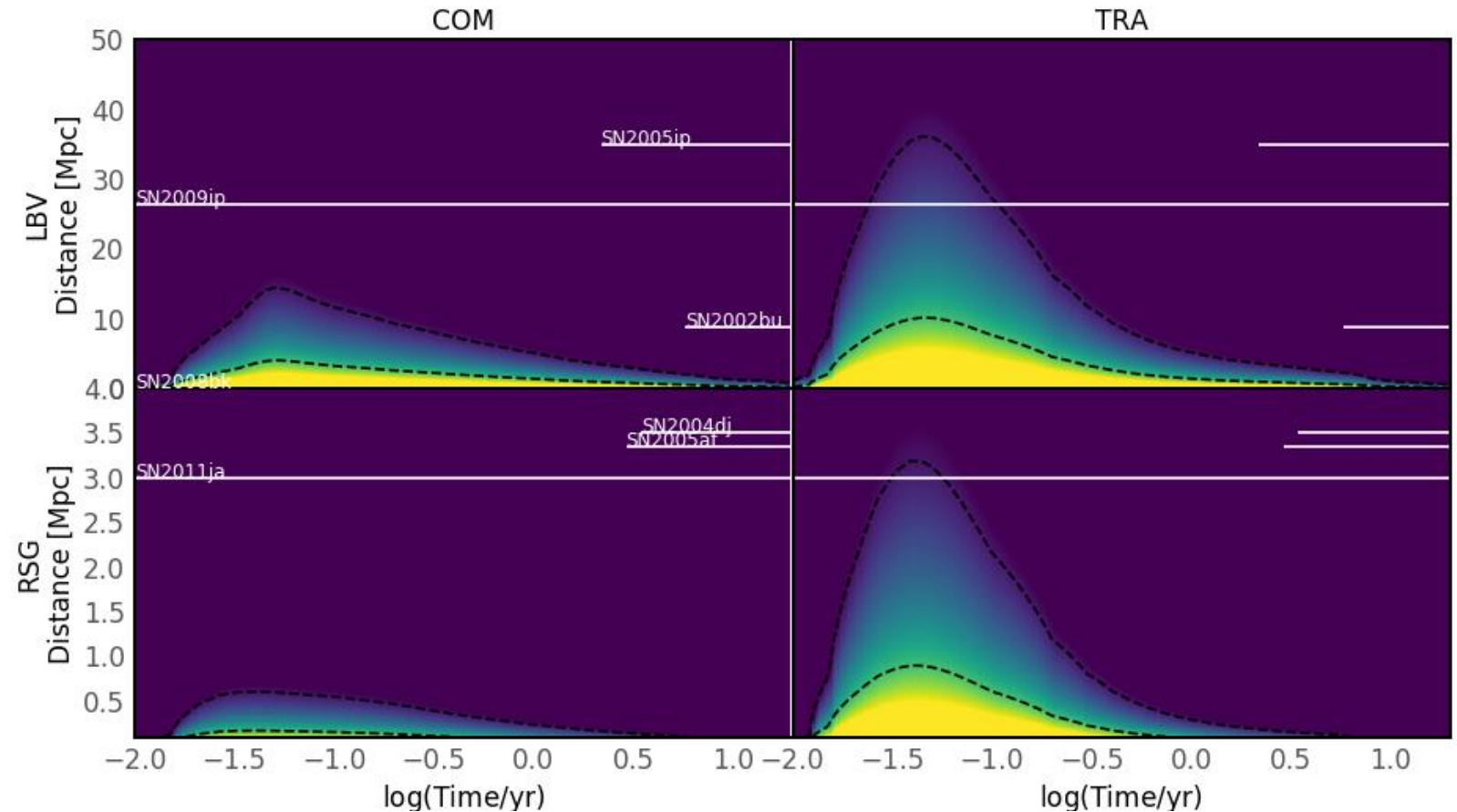
- Gamma-ray luminosity in FERMI-LAT energy range rises fastest after explosion
- Type IIa approx. 100x more luminous than IIP.
- TeV emission peaks later than GeV emission, for a weak field
- **Gamma-gamma absorption not yet included!**

# Non-thermal particle distribution

## Detectability of gamma-ray emission

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- Optimal detection prospects  $\approx$  1.5 weeks post explosion
- Type II<sub>n</sub> detectable out to 10-30 Mpc
- Type IIP about 100x fainter  $\rightarrow$  must be 10x closer for detection.
- **All cases have GeV emission fading strongly after a few months.**



**Figure:** Lines: 8 sigma in 1 day and 1 month respectively.  
Color scale is flux depending on distance and time.

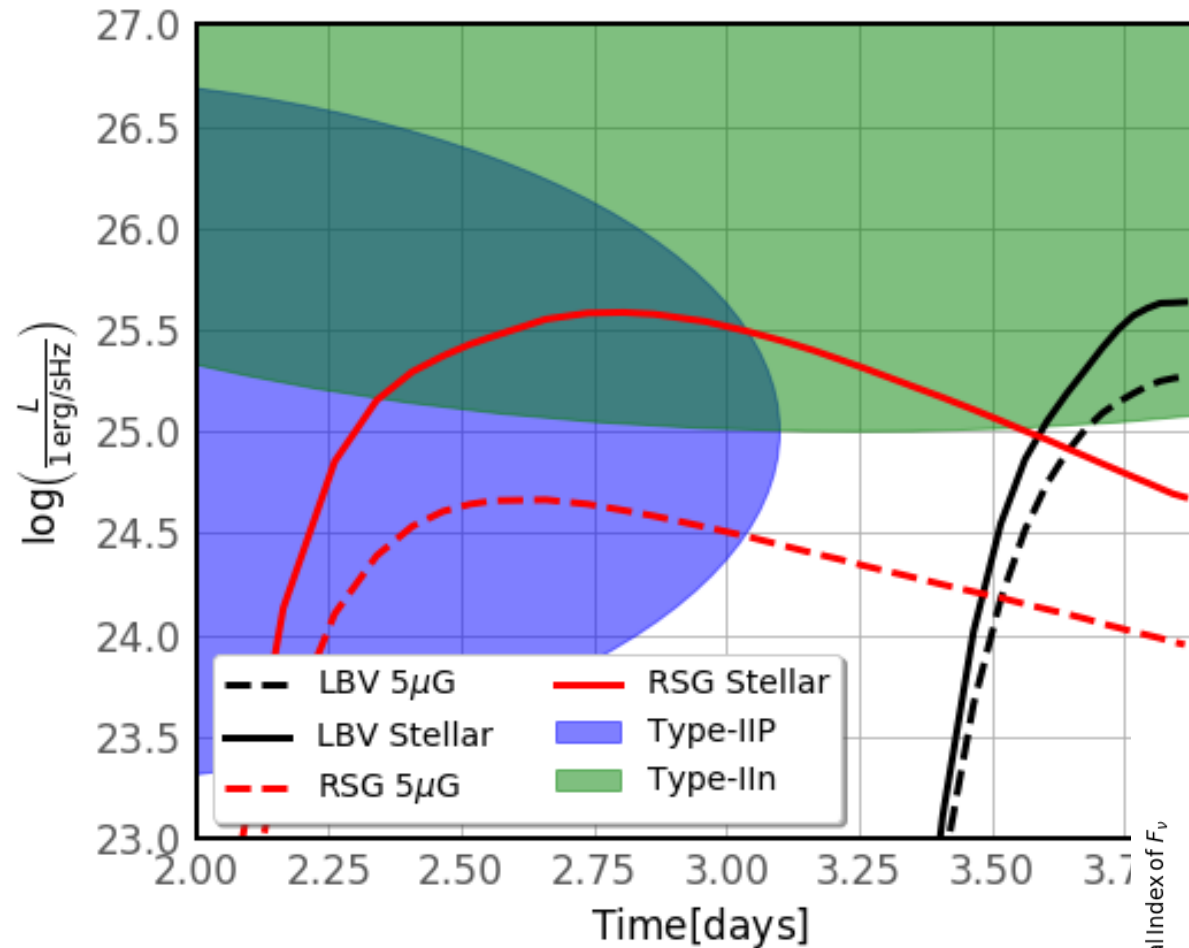
# Non-thermal particle distribution

## Radio emission

- Radio emission rise-times and peak-luminosities consistent with observations
- Injection-fraction based on historical remnants (e.g. SN1006) and magnetic field-amplification automatically produce the right radio-flux
- **No additional downstream-field generation needed.**

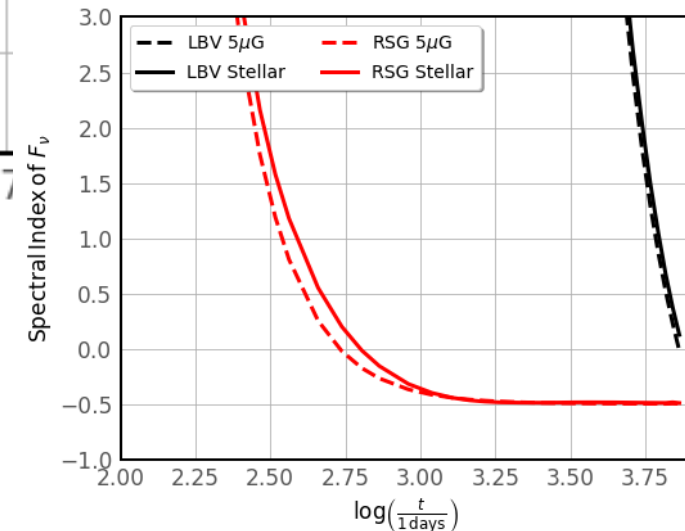
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Figure(top):  
Figure(right):

Radio luminosity at 8GHz.  
Radio spectral-index 8GHz.



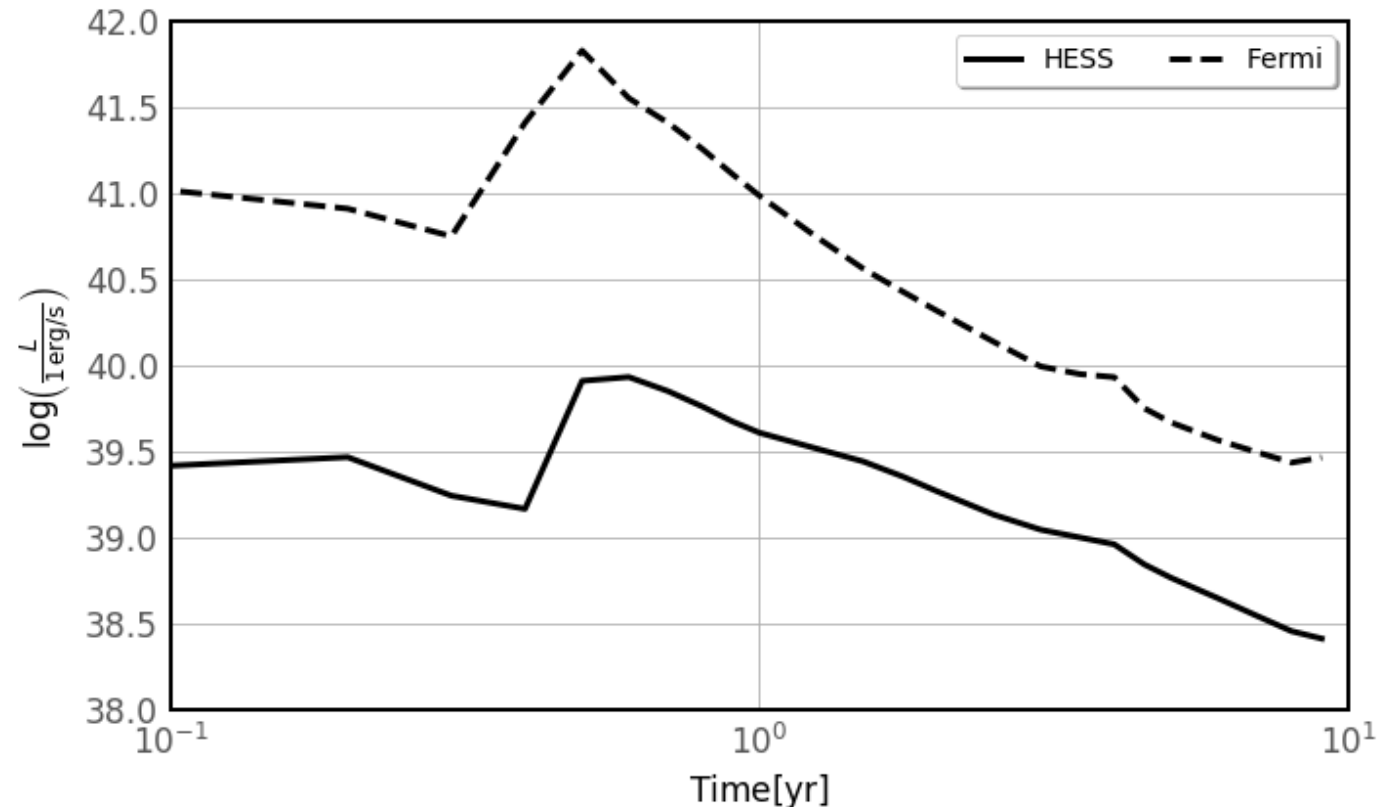
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## Interaction with inhomogeneous media: LBV

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- Adding a  $1M_{\odot}$  shell to the background wind of the LBV at  $6 \times 10^{15}$  cm / 0.002pc
- Gamma-ray luminosity increases by about 10x after the shell collision (for shell with 10x higher density ratio)
- TeV luminosity peaks shortly after GeV and then declines.
- Accompanying signatures in X-ray, Radio and other wavebands?  
**Trigger criteria for IACTs are needed!**



**Figure:** Gamma-ray luminosity over time for a LBV interacting with a  $1M_{sol}$  shell.

# Conclusions and future work

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- 1D time-dependent modelling of hydrodynamics, particle acceleration, magnetic-turbulence and high-energy radiation, from SN expanding into LBV and RSG winds
- Verify that thermal X-ray emission consistent with observations of Type-IIIn/IIP SN
- Maximum particle energy of  $E_{max} \leq 700$  TeV from 0.1-10 year timescales  
→ **Unlikely to be PeVatrons**
- GeV emission peaks on days to week timescales
- TeV on week to month timescale
- LBV progenitors about 100x more luminous in thermal X-rays and GeV/TeV gamma-rays.
- **Circumstellar shells can produce late-time re-brightening** at GeV and TeV.
- A few SN could be detectable with FERMI-LAT over its mission lifetime

Thank you for your attention!