Current trends in SNR research Broadband SNR Models Current Status and Prospects

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The Art of Broadband Modeling

- * Nowadays, broadband models must satisfy zillion constraints from observations
 - ★ Multi-wavelength spectra
 - ★ Multi-wavelength morphology
 - ★ Time evolution, dynamical information
 - ★ Thermal as well as non-thermal properties
 - ★ All different combinations of the above! (spectral image, spectral evolution etc)
- Also have to meet criteria from complex plasma physics and simulation results
 - A few parameters, from yet incomplete physical understandings
 - Approximations to work around complex processes, and/or computational cost

Common Ingredients of a SNR Broadband Model

- ★ (Magneto-) hydrodynamics
- ★ Progenitor, supernova explosive nucleosynthesis models
- ★ (Observation-motivated) picture for the surrounding environment
- ★ Various implementations of Diffusive Shock Acceleration (DSA)
- ★ Time and space-dependent micro-physical processes
 - Non-equilibrium ionization, charge exchange, ...
 - Shock heating, temperature equilibration
 - Radiative cooling/heating
 - Magnetic turbulence generation and dissipation, feedbacks to DSA
- ★ Thermal and non-thermal emission calculations to confront data in various forms

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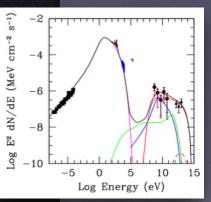
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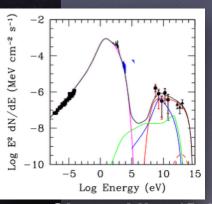
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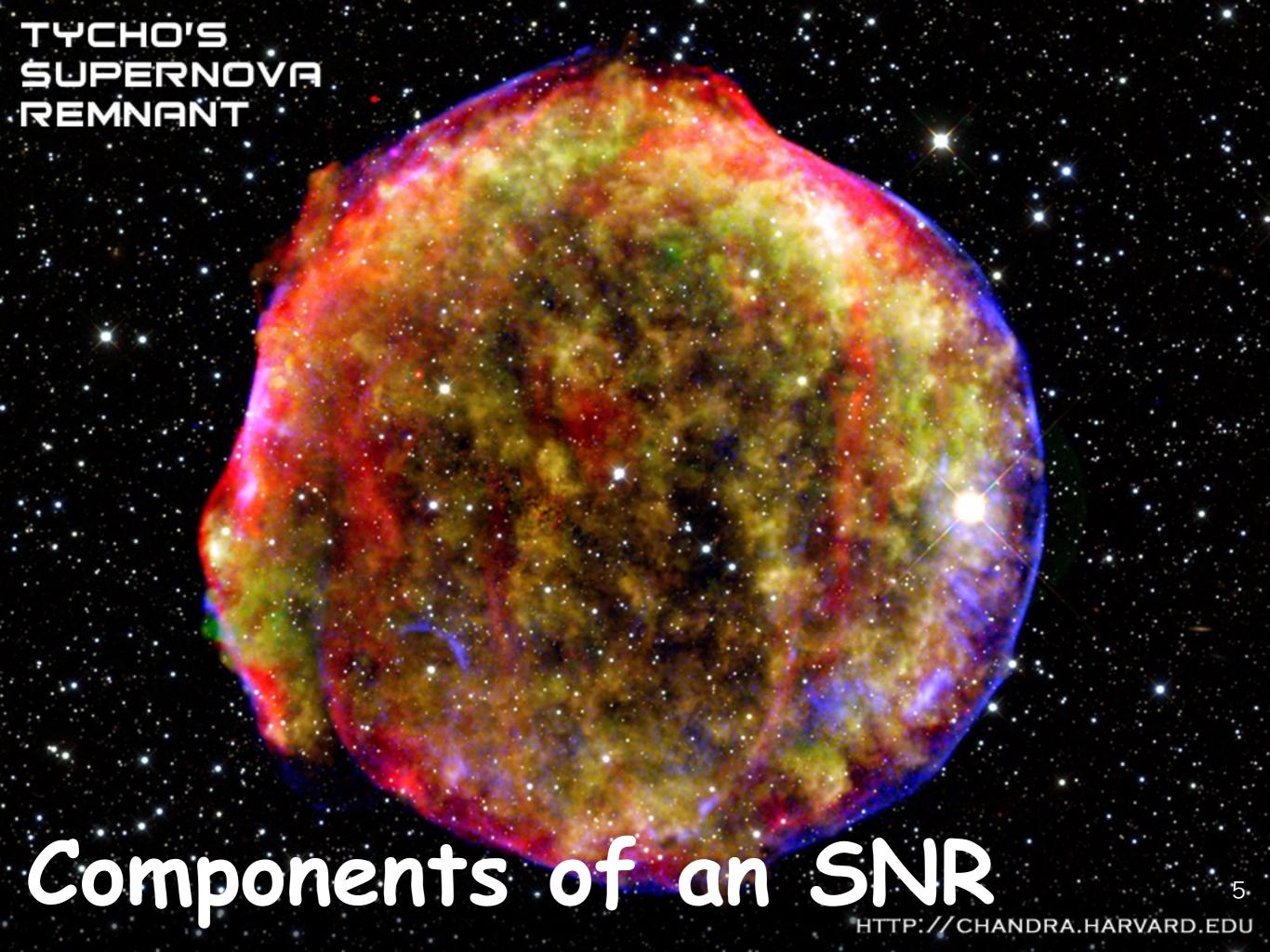
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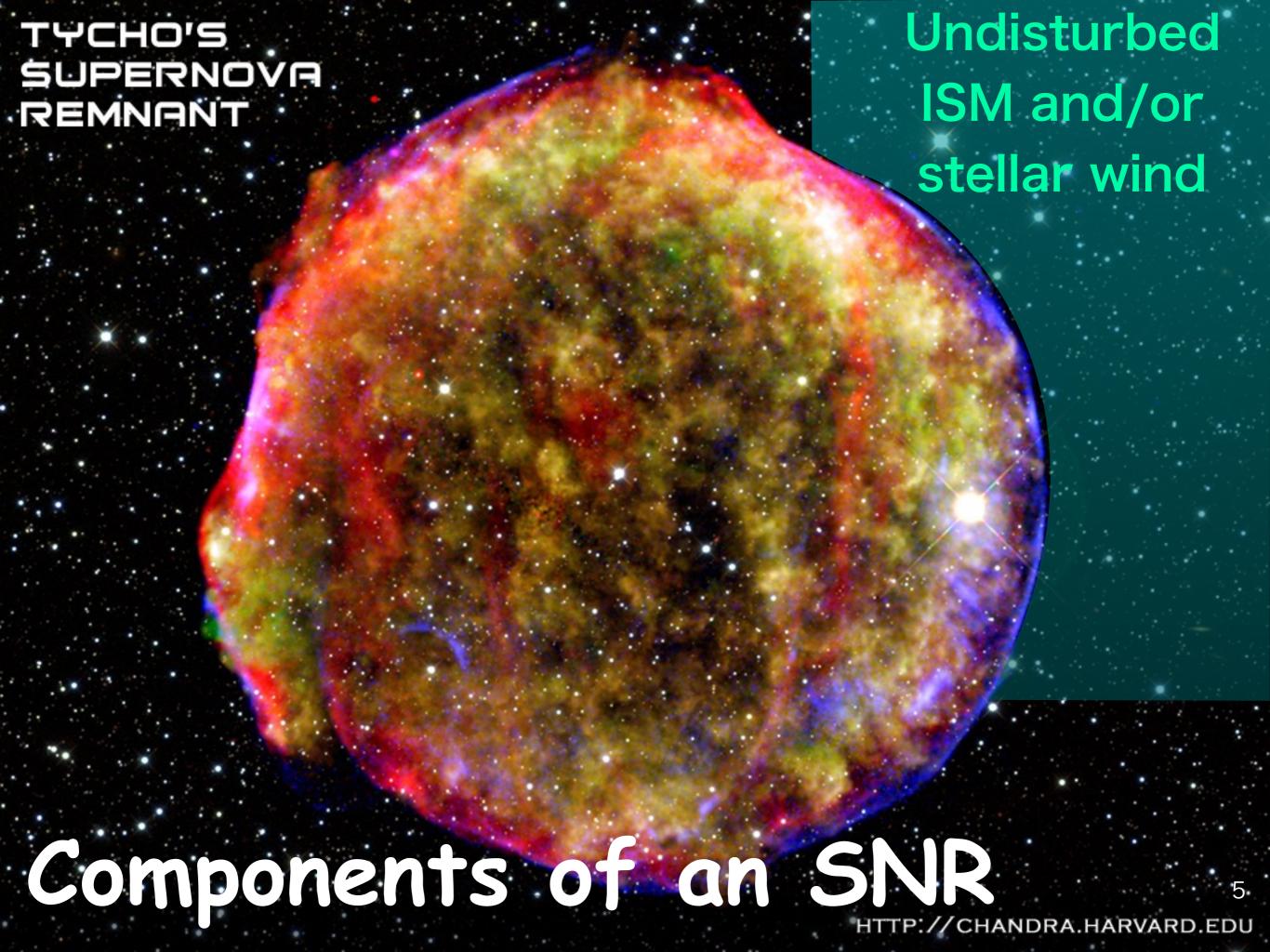
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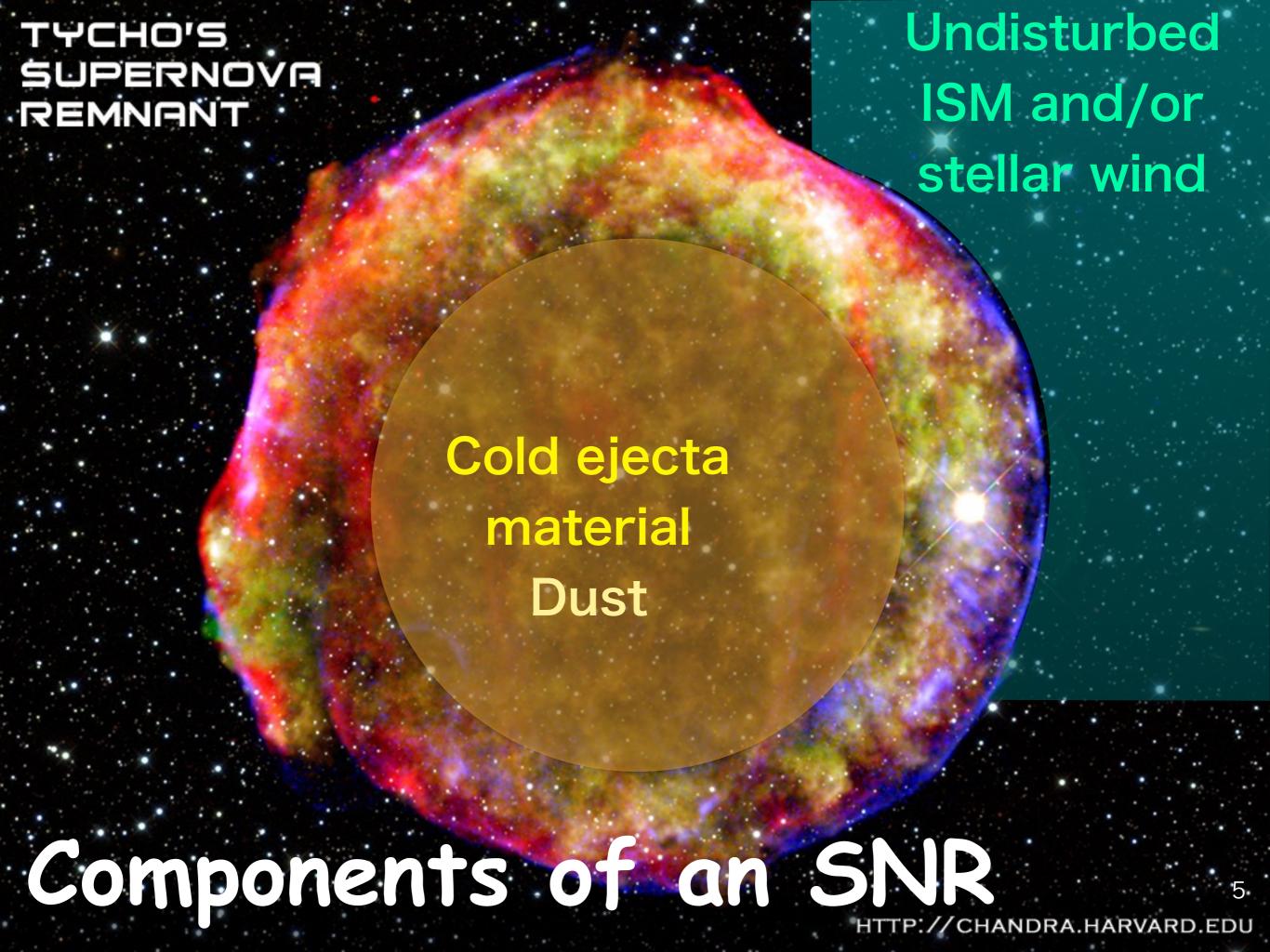


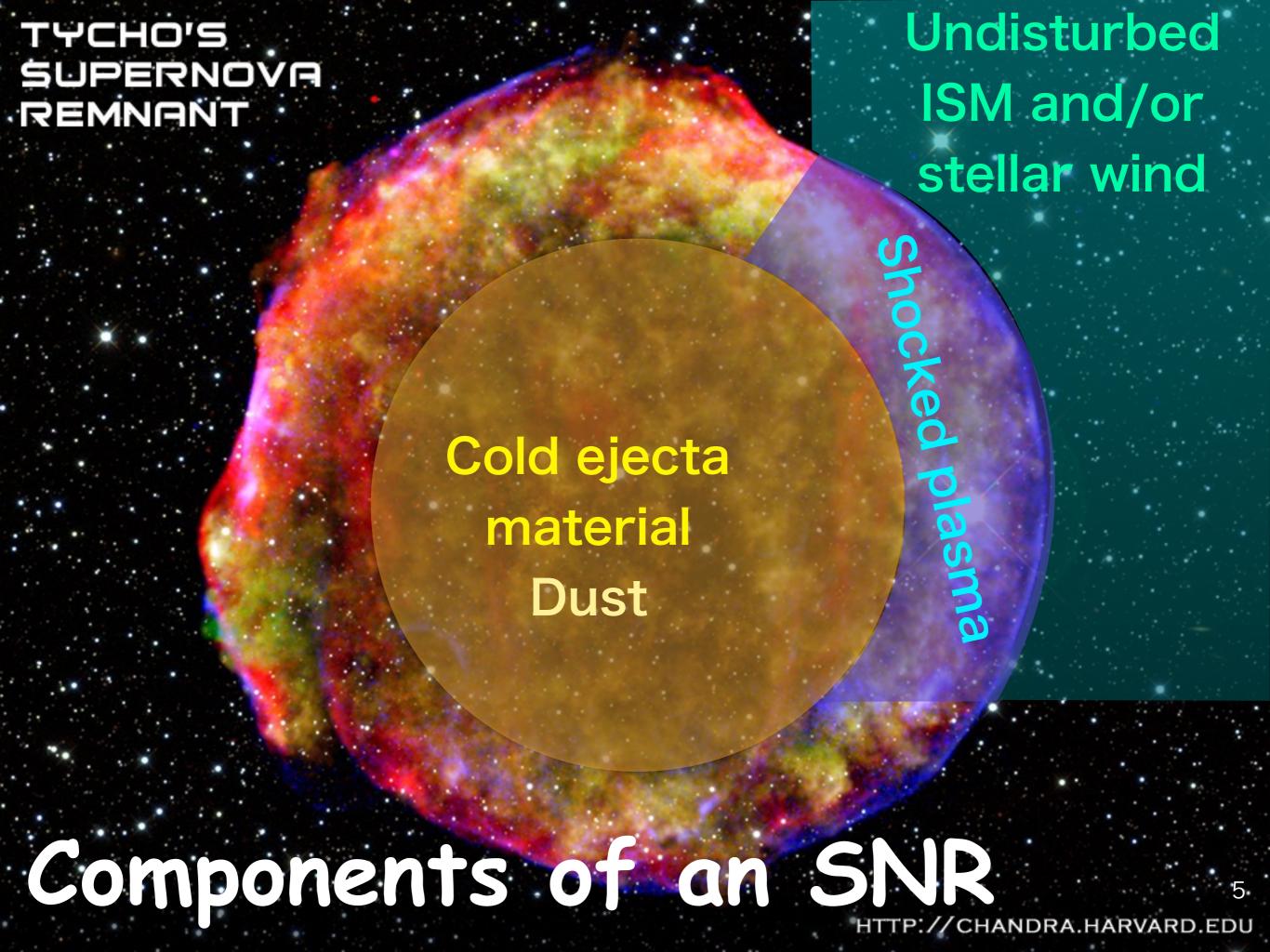
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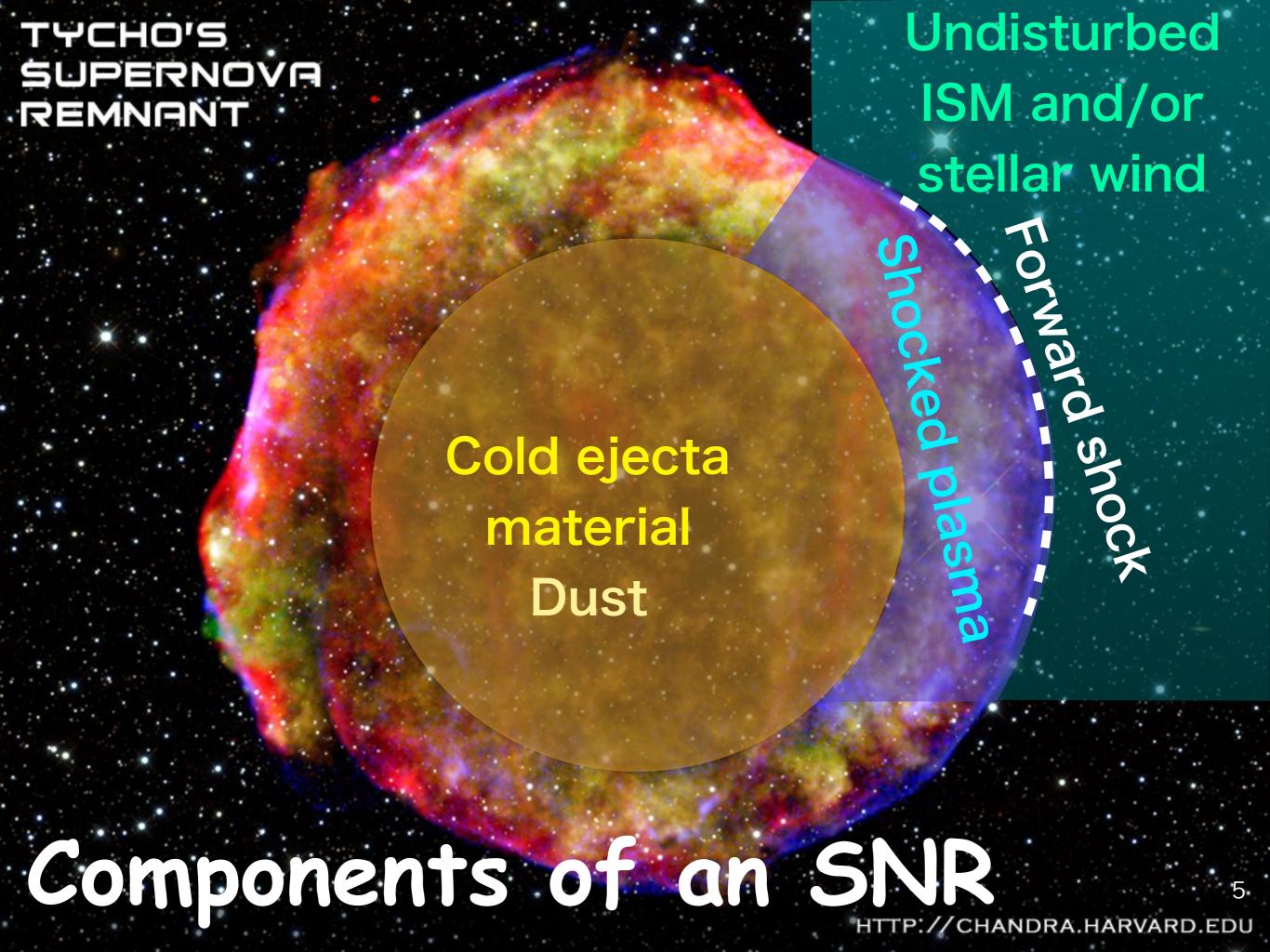
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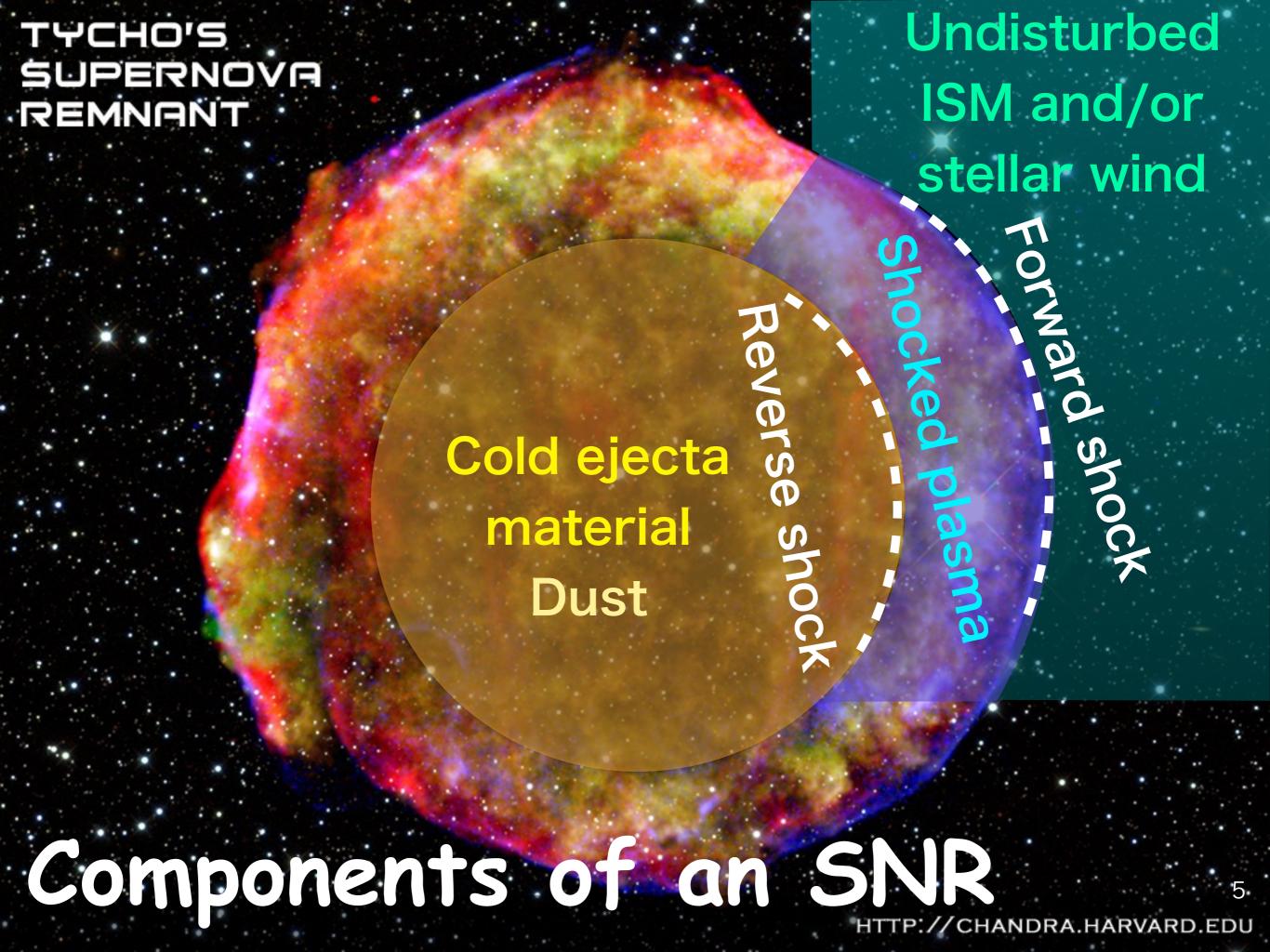


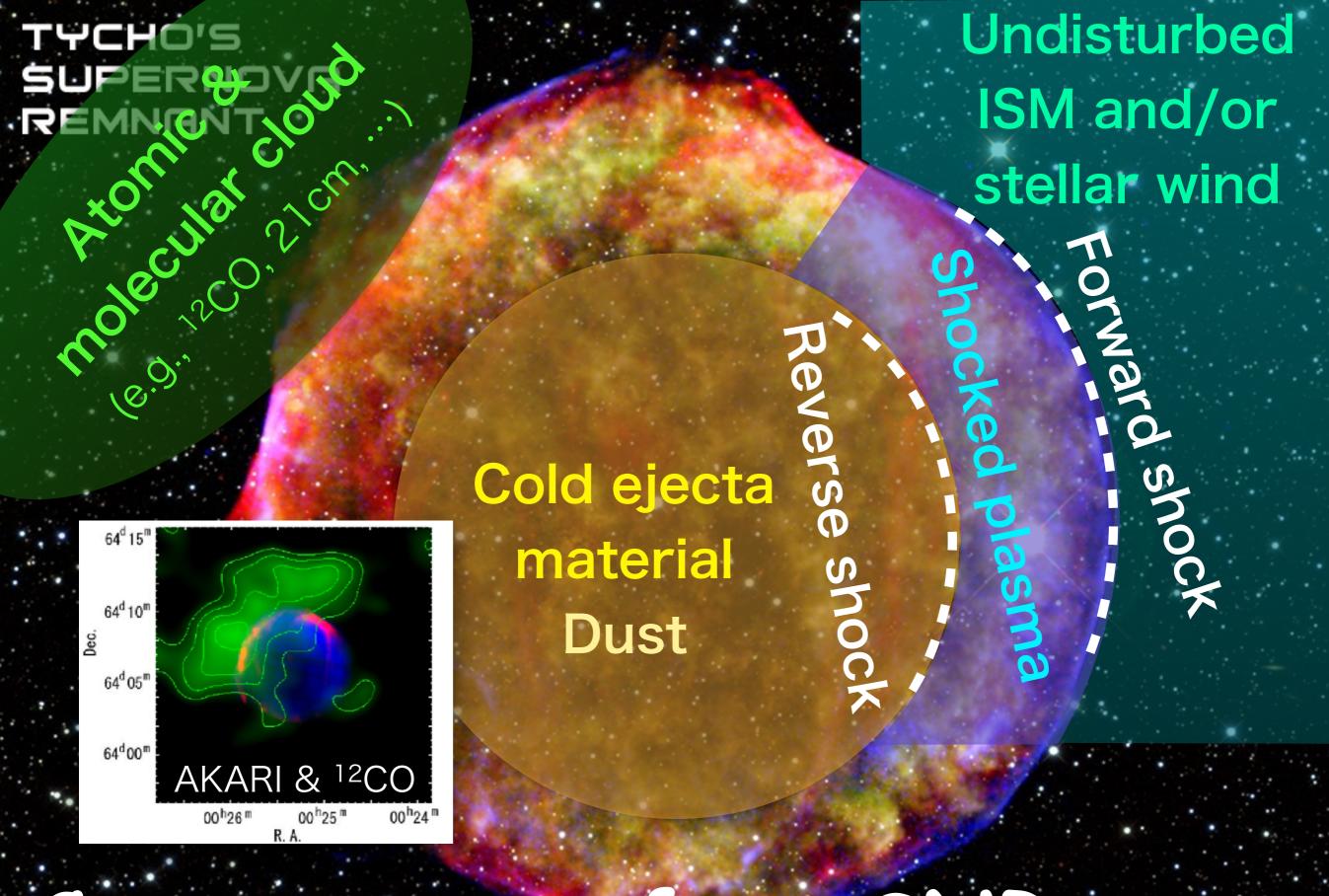








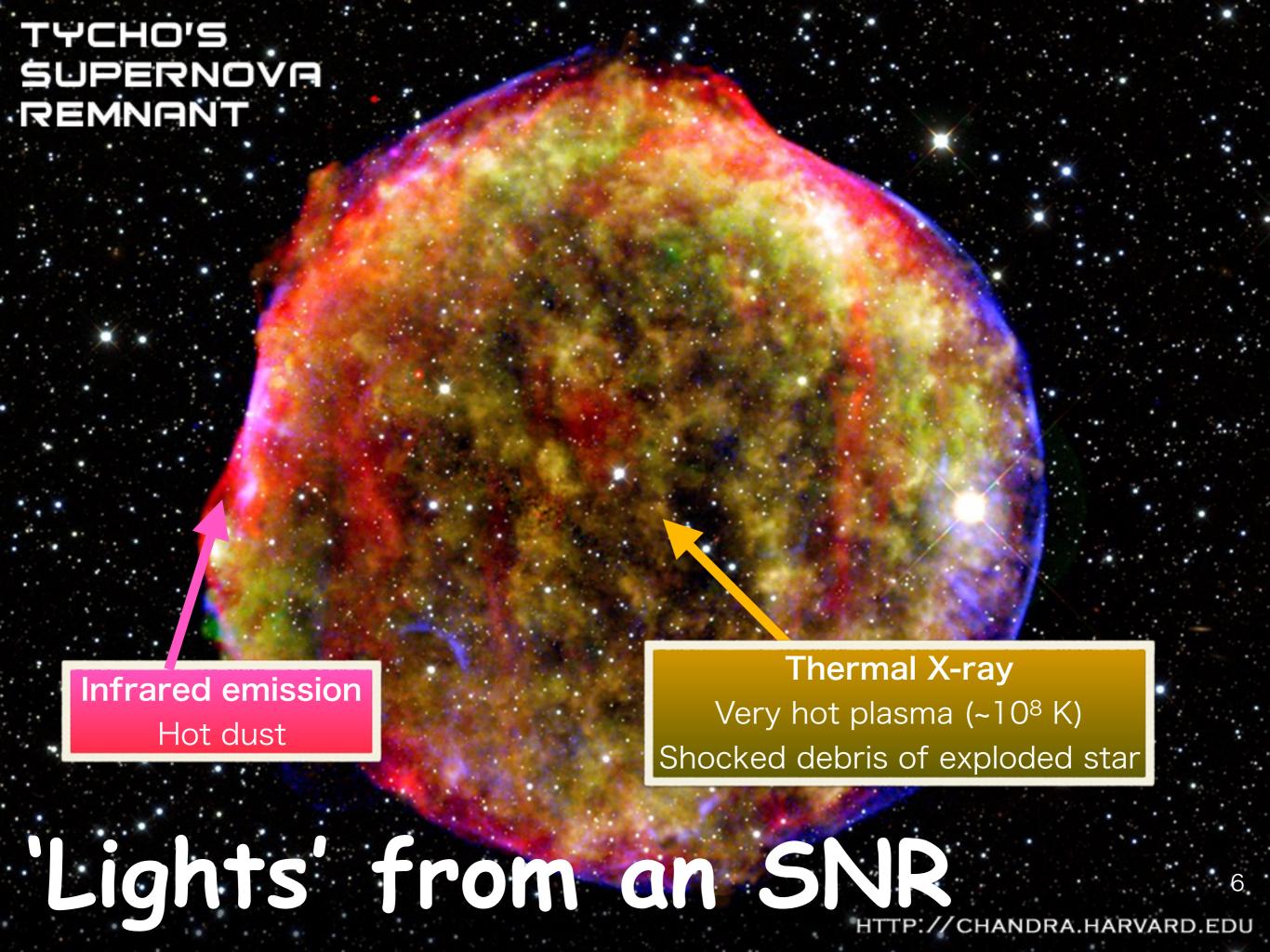


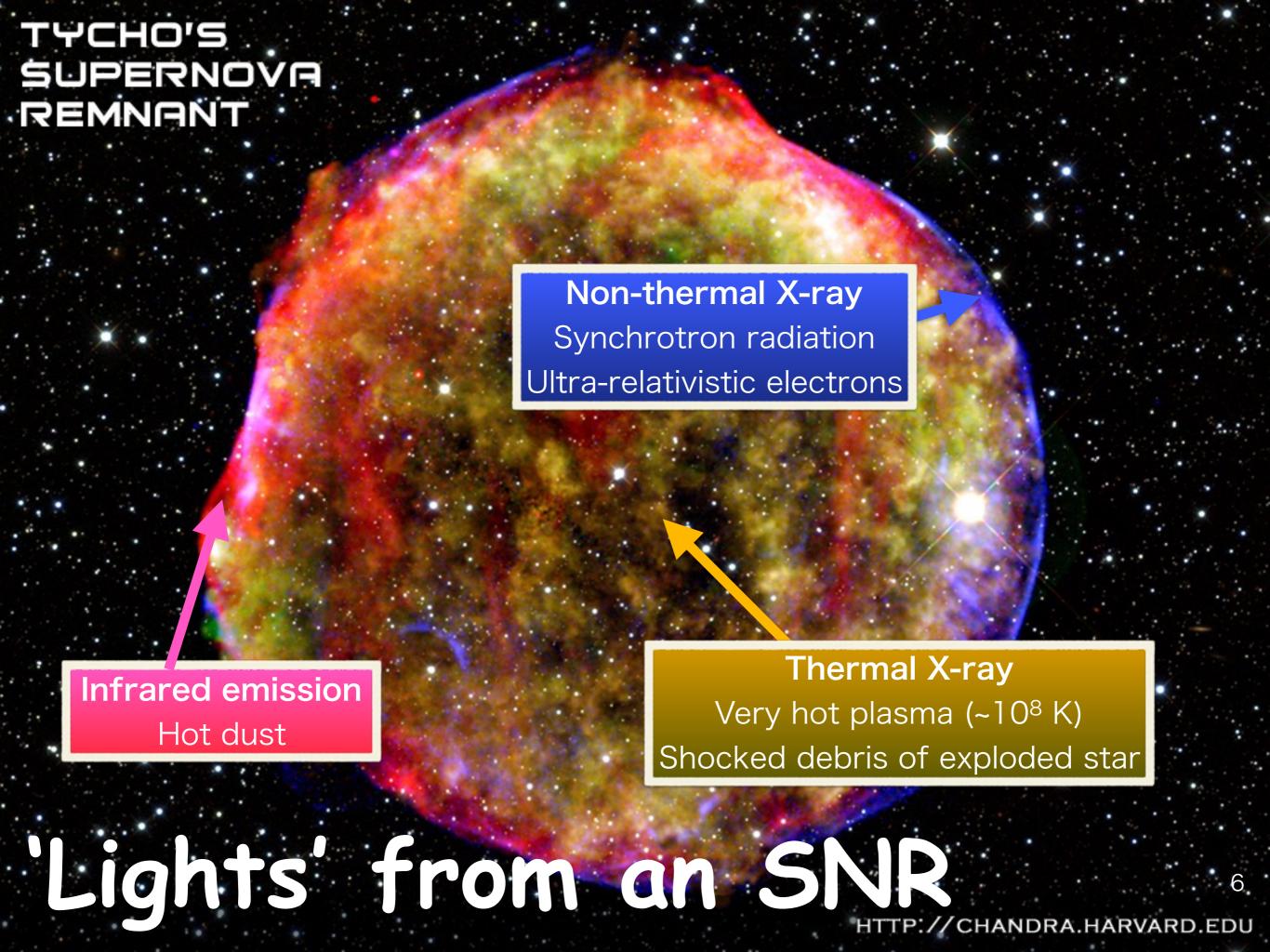


Components of an SNR http://chandra.harvard.edu









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(b) HST

e.g.

Cut 02

Cut 03

Cut 04

IR/optical lines

e.g. $H\alpha$ (charge exchange) Also radiative shocks

Non-thermal X-ray

Synchrotron radiation

Ultra-relativistic electrons

Infrared emission
Hot dust

Thermal X-ray

Very hot plasma (~108 K)

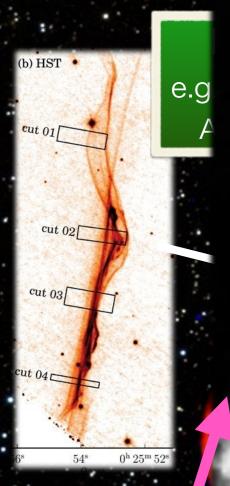
Shocked debris of exploded star

'Lights' from an SNR

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Radio emission

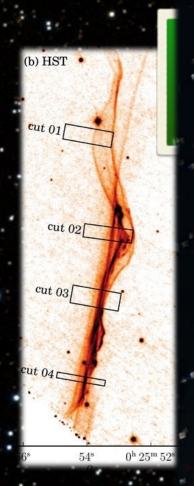
Synchrotron radiation
Mildly relativistic electrons

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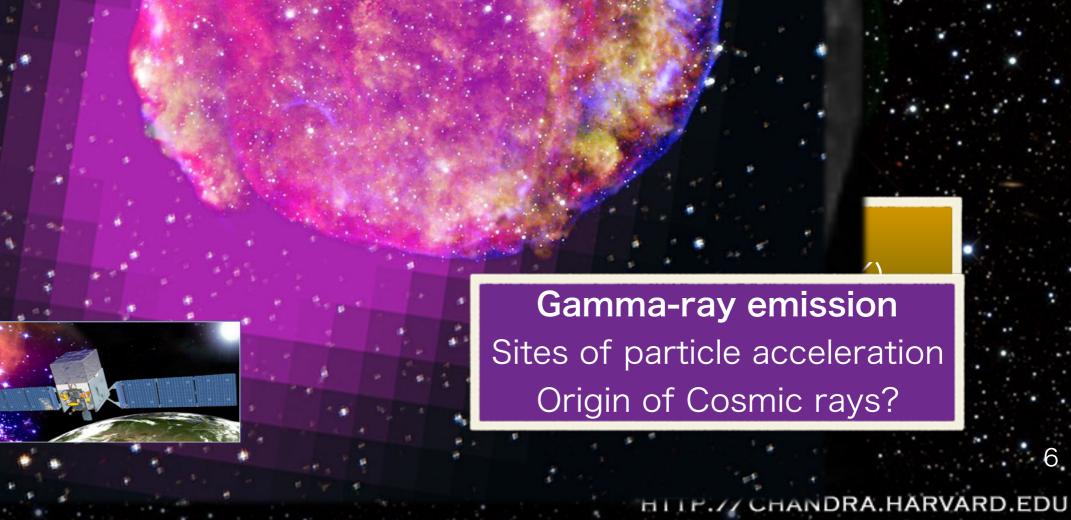




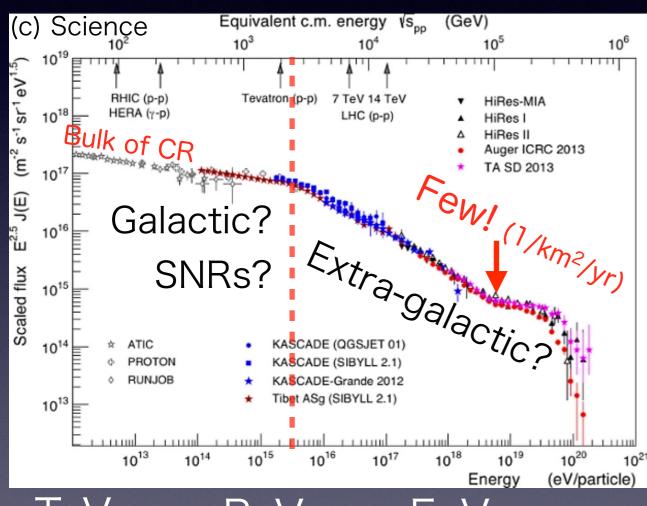
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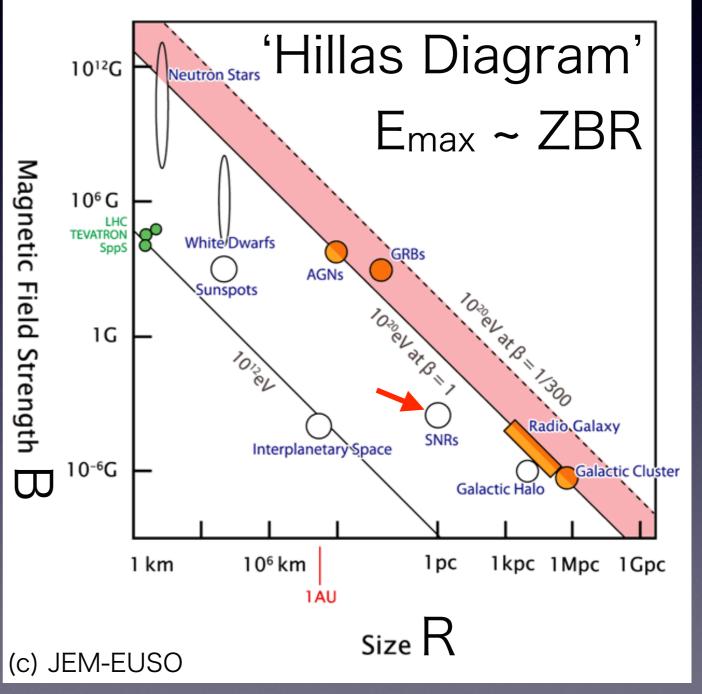


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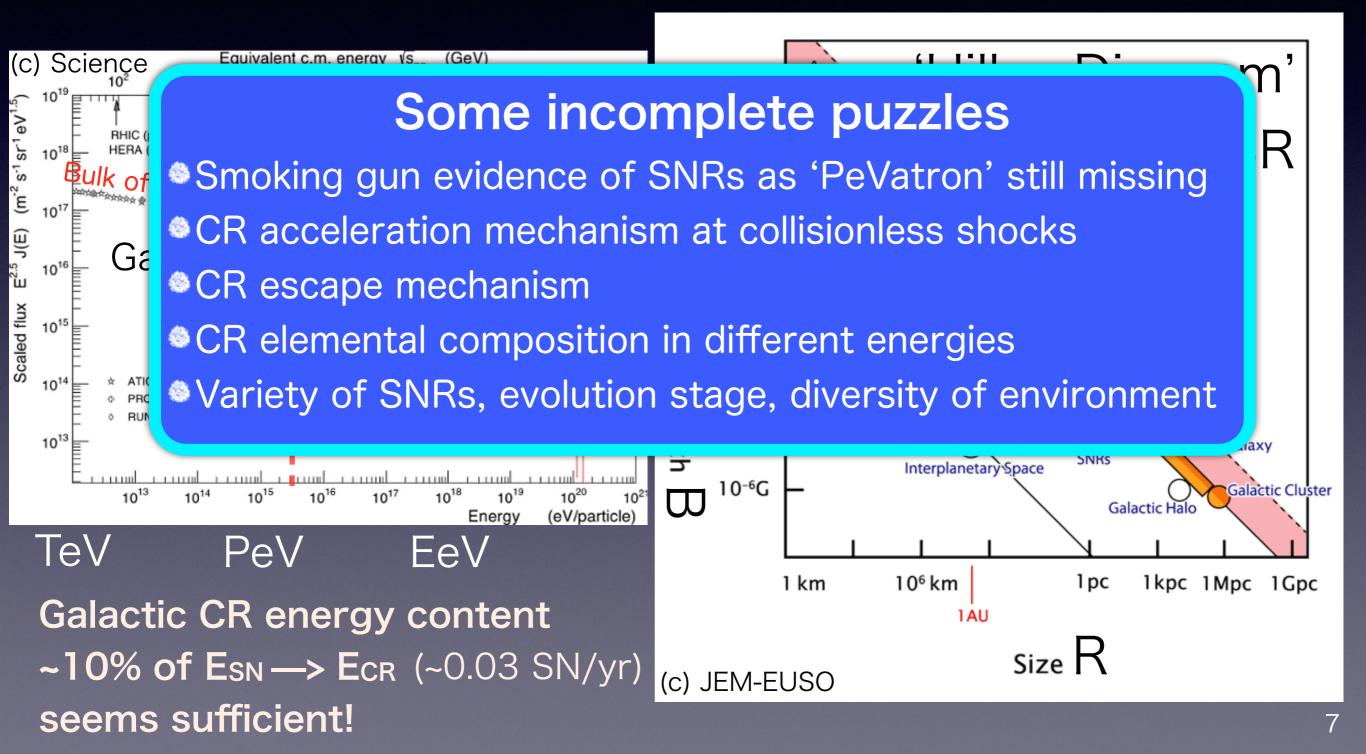


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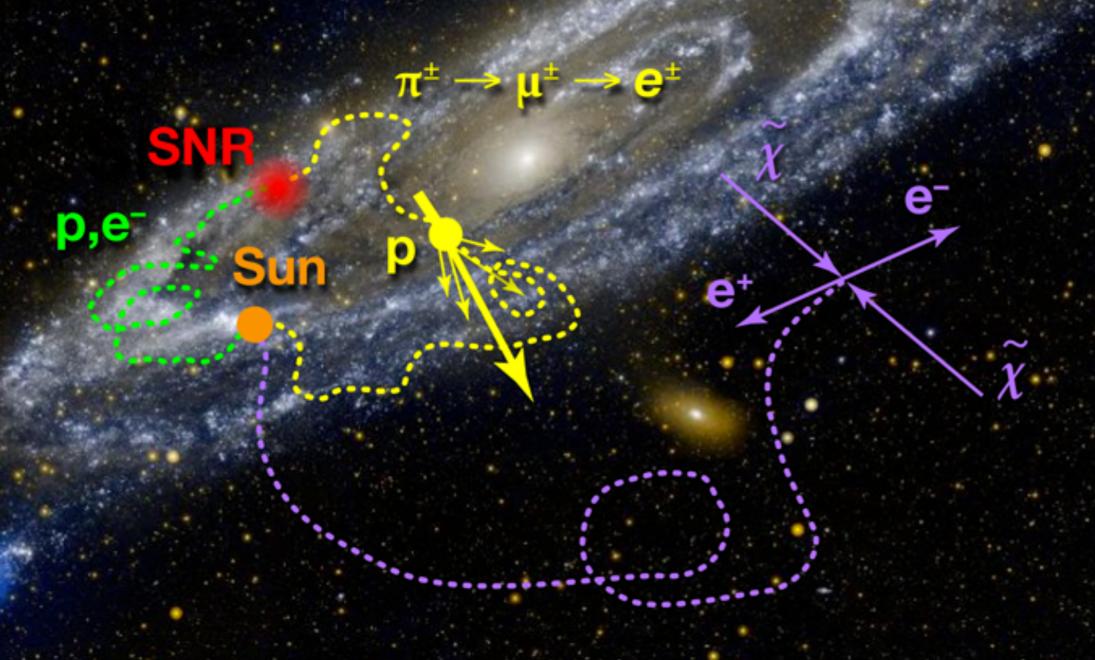
Galactic CR energy content ~10% of Esn —> Ecr (~0.03 SN/yr) seems sufficient!



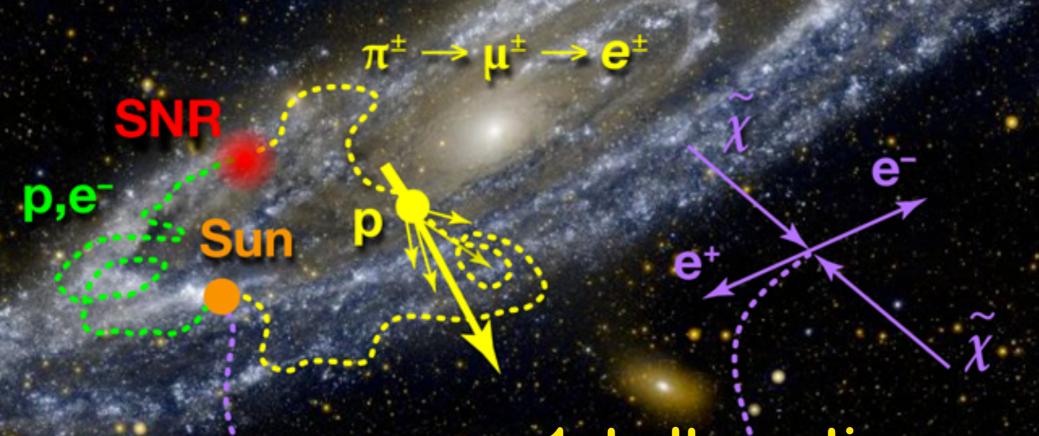
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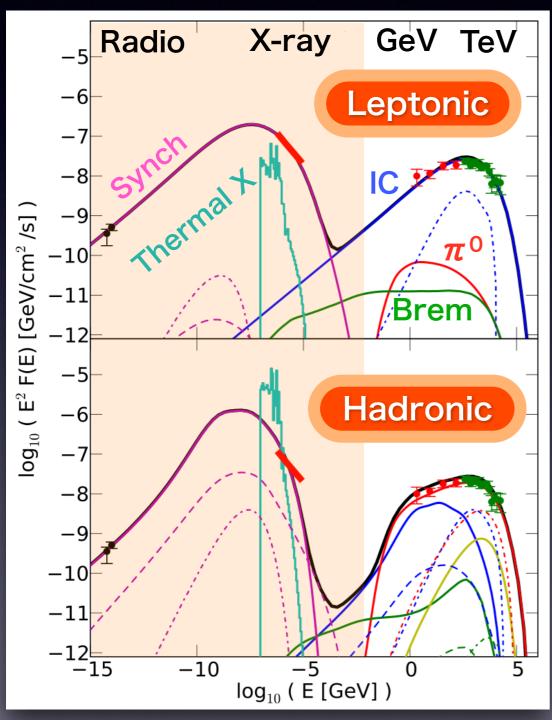
Cosmic Ray Astronomy ain't gonna work bro



1st alternative: gamma-rays
They don't bend much
Not so much interaction in Galactic scale

Origins of y-ray emission

HL, Slane+ 2013 on SNR Vela Jr.



π^0 decay

CR ion + gas $\rightarrow \pi^0$ Flat'ish spectrum Requires dense gas

"hadronic"

Inverse-Compton scatterings

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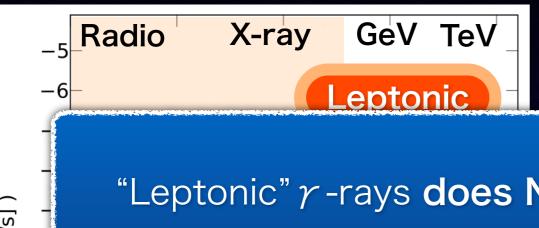
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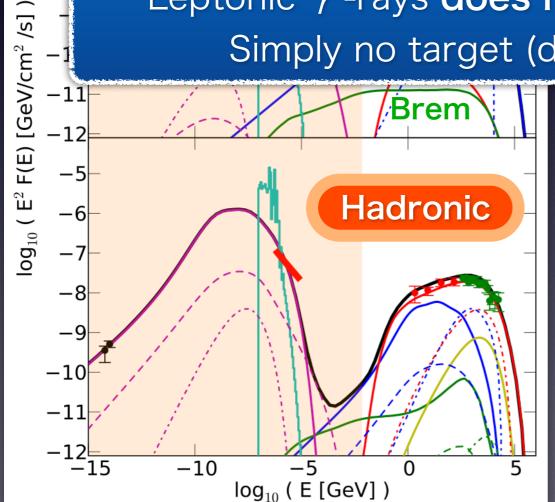
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Caution

"Leptonic" γ -rays **does NOT** mean no proton acceleration! Simply no target (dense gas) for π^0 production



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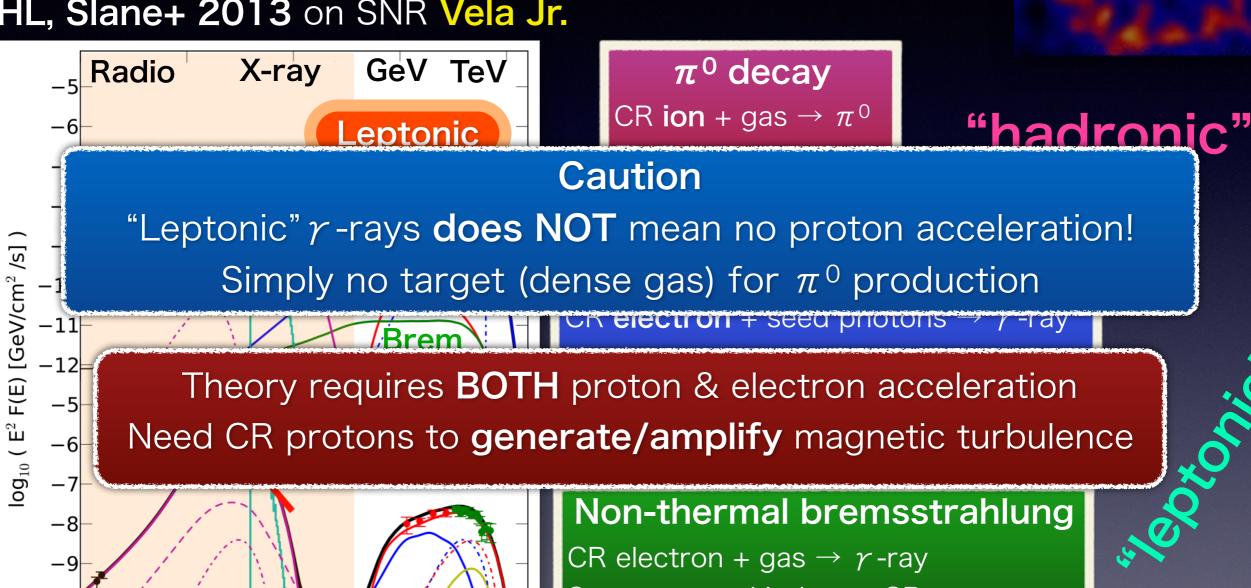
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 log_{10} (E [GeV])

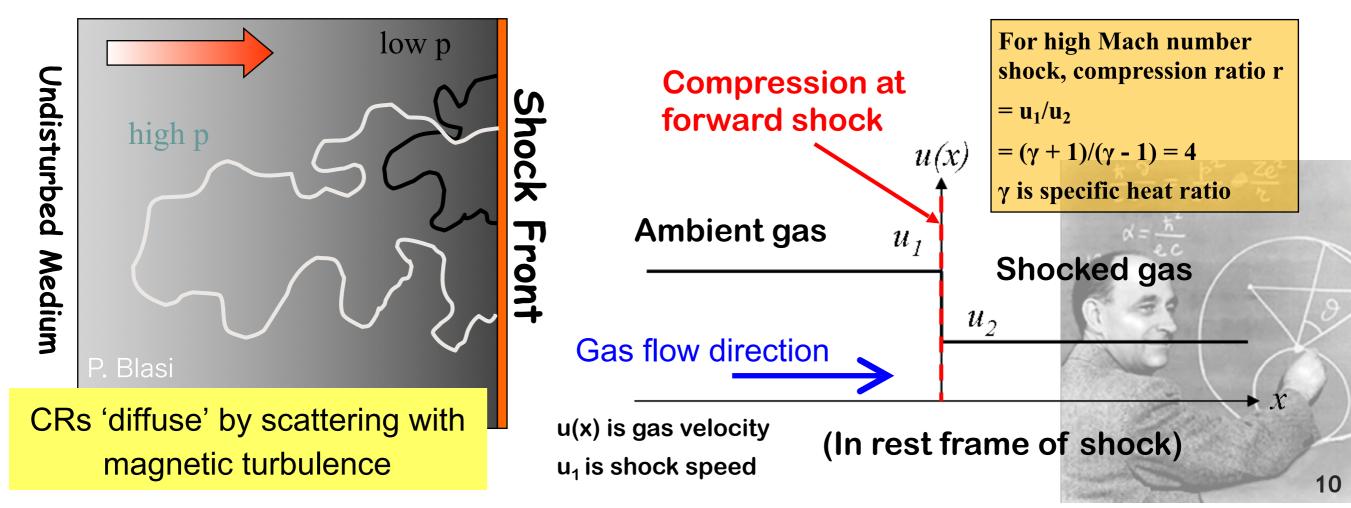


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How particles get accelerated

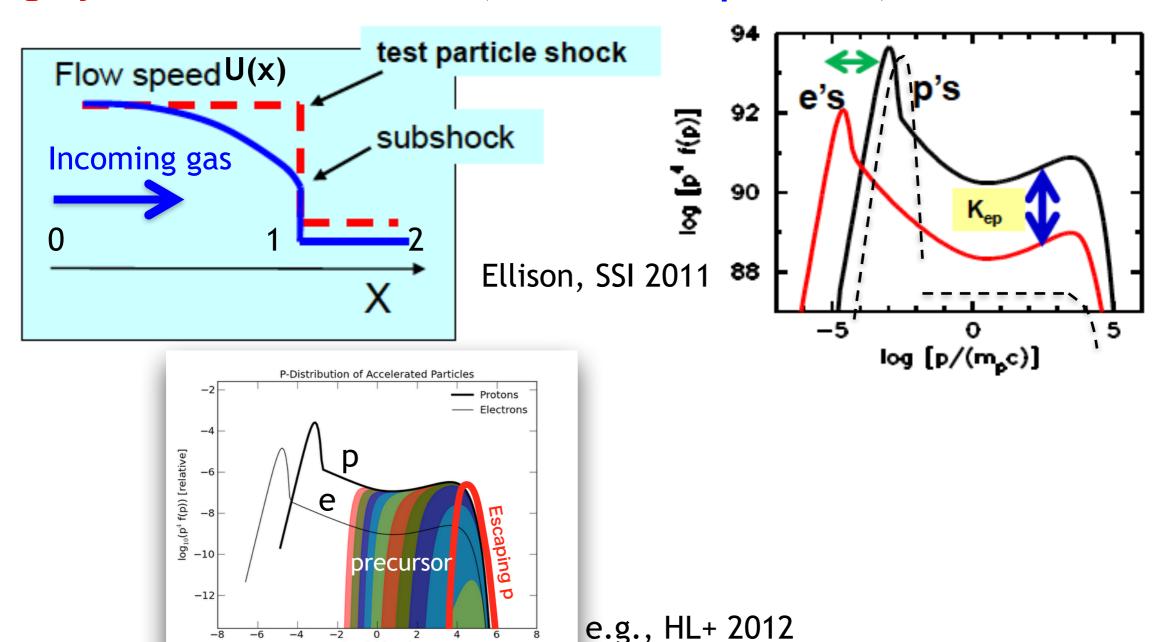
(Younger) SNRs have strong non-relativistic collisionless shocks

- → Diffusive Shock Acceleration (DSA) [aka Fermi 1st order acceleration]
 - 'Diffuse' by elastic scattering w/ magnetic turbulence on both sides of shock
 - Particles repeatedly crossing the shock front
 - Each time, fractional momentum gain $\triangle p/p \sim (velocity difference)/(speed of light)$
- → Young SNRs: cosmic ray energy easily > 10% of E_{SN} (e.g. Ellison+ 05)



Nonlinear diffusive shock acceleration

Efficient particle acceleration leads to funny consequences, e.g., highly modified shock flow, 'concave' spectrum, lower shocked temp



 $log_{10}(p) [m_p c]$

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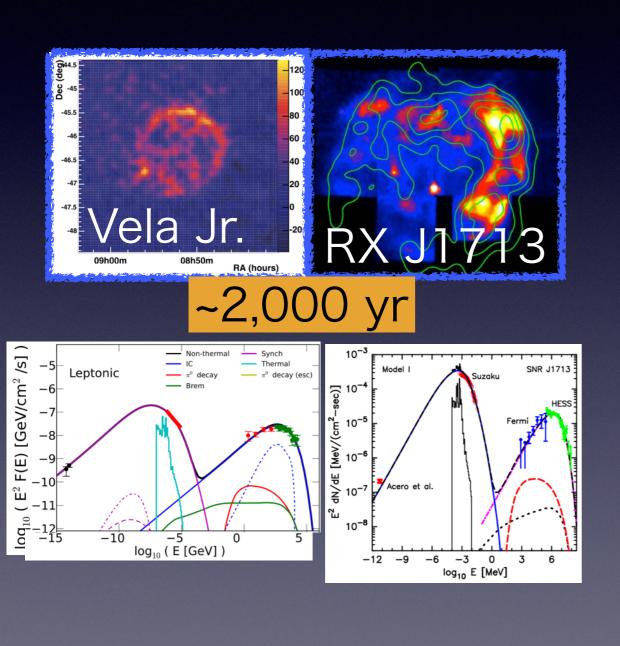
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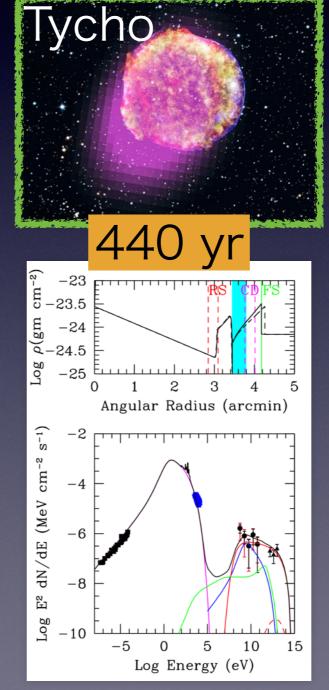
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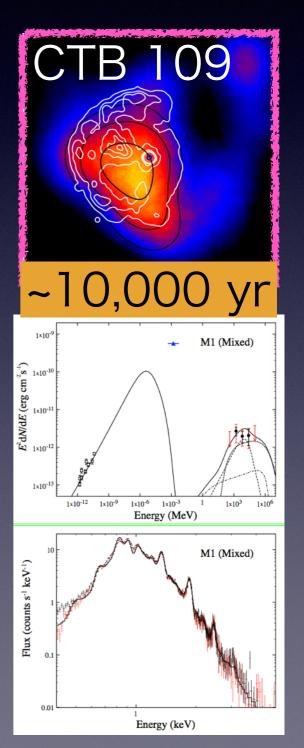
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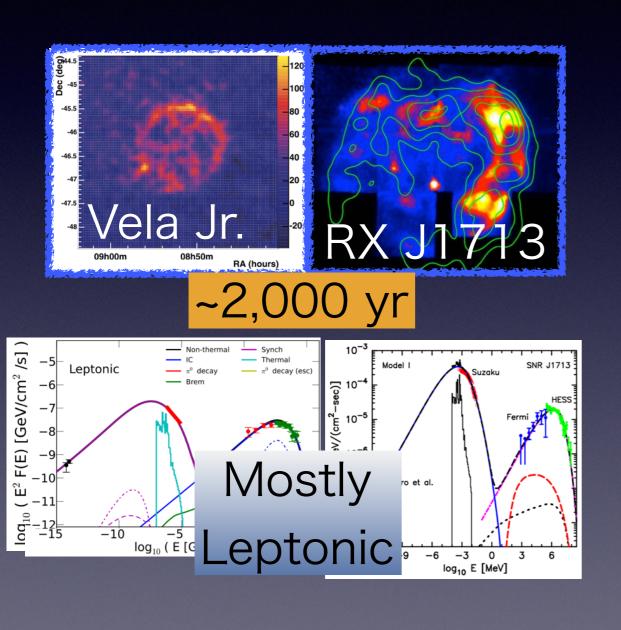


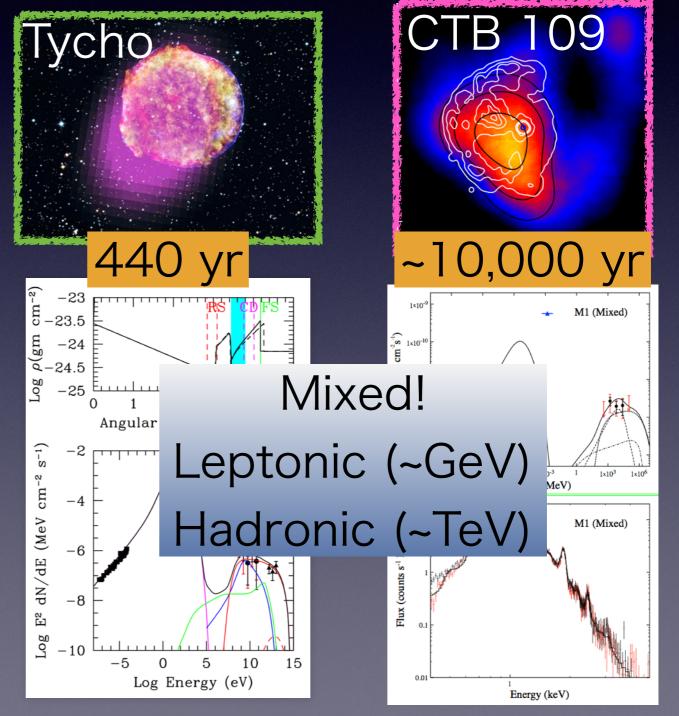


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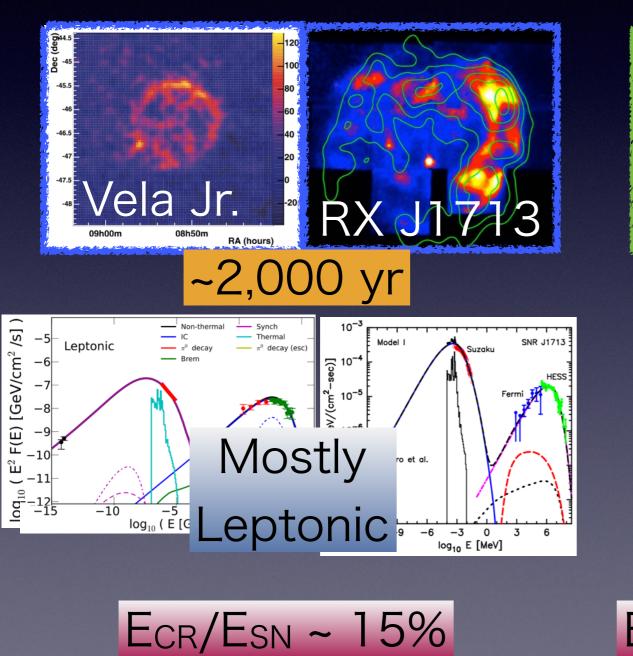


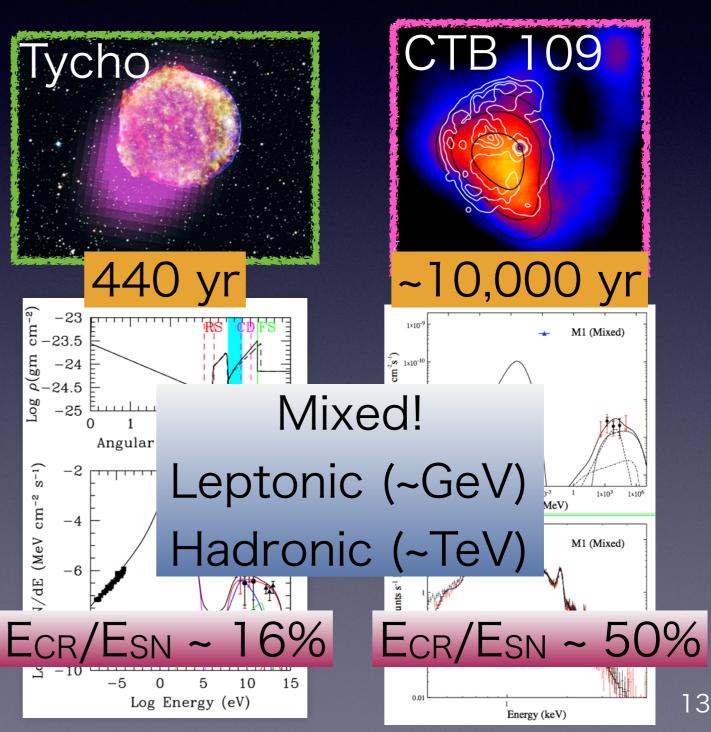


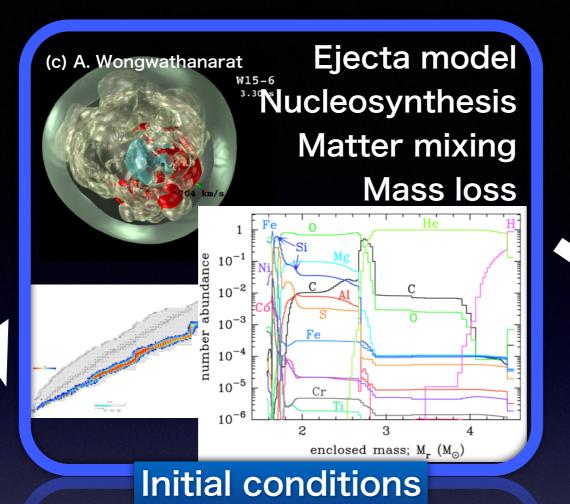
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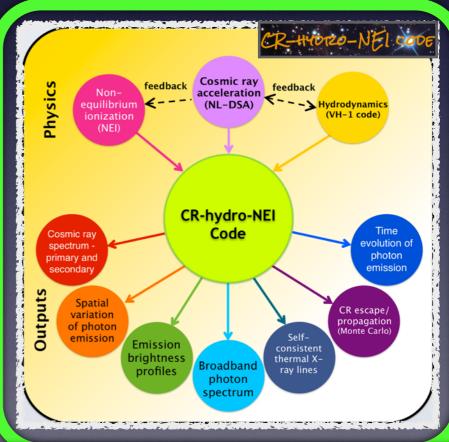
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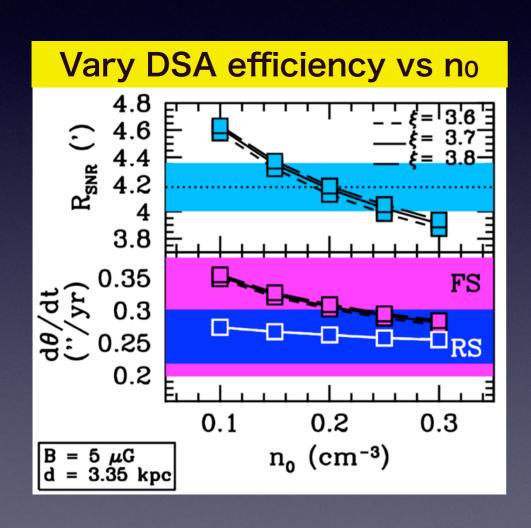
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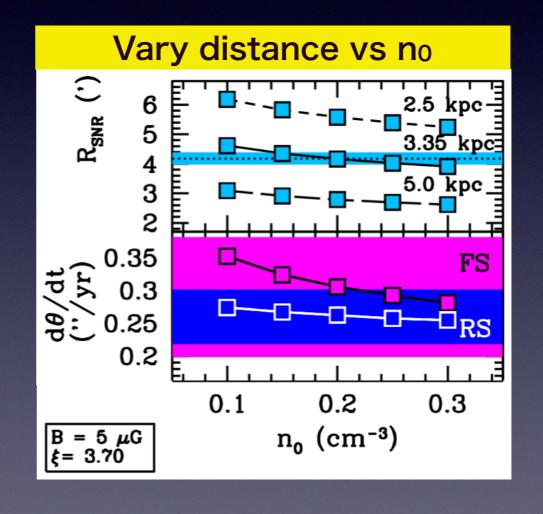
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SNR Model



First step Get the size right (dynamics)

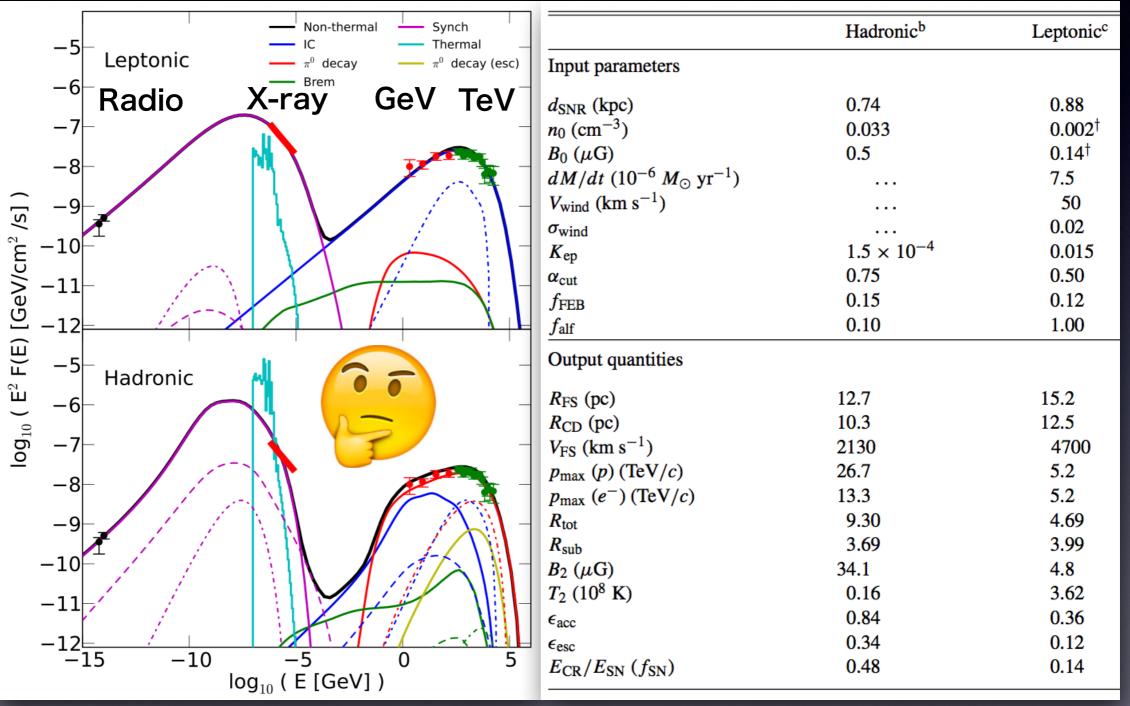




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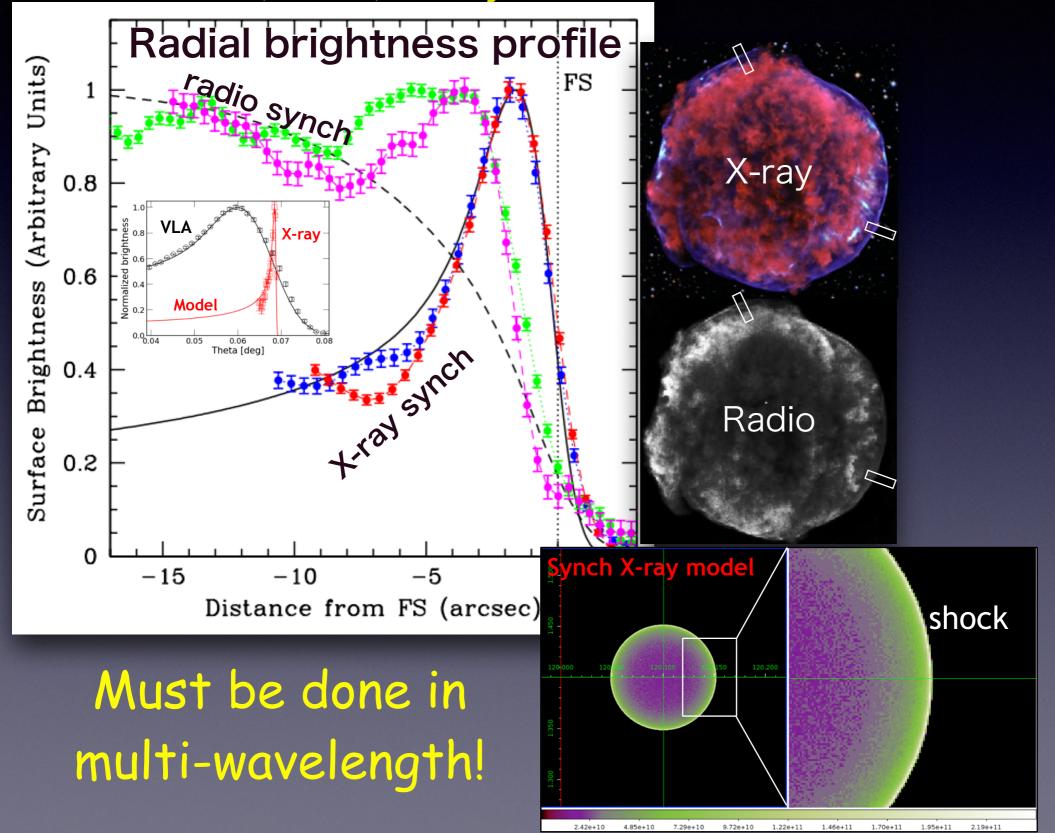
Then, the all important non-thermal spectrum In some cases, things

HL, Slane+ 2013 on SNR Vela Jr. are not so conclusive...



Brightness profiles are helpful too

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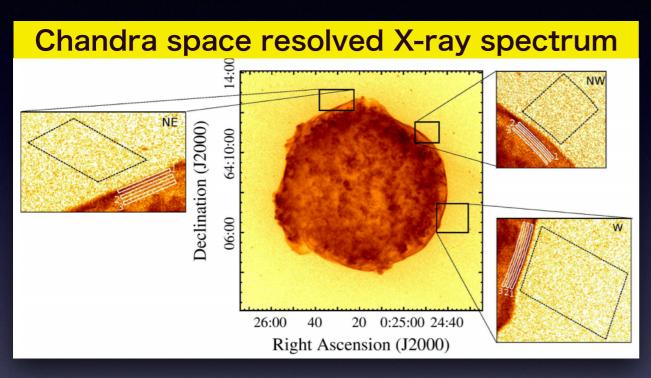
One step further Using "spectral images"

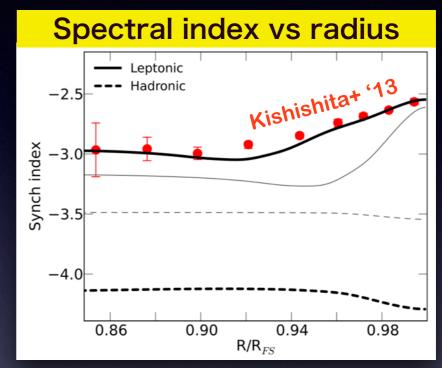
Flux (counts s-1 keV-1)

Residual (σ)

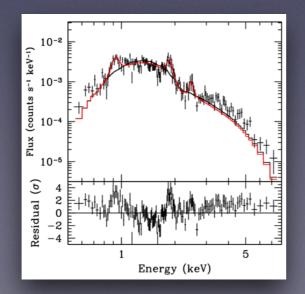
Energy (keV)

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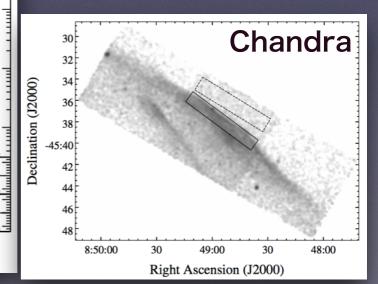




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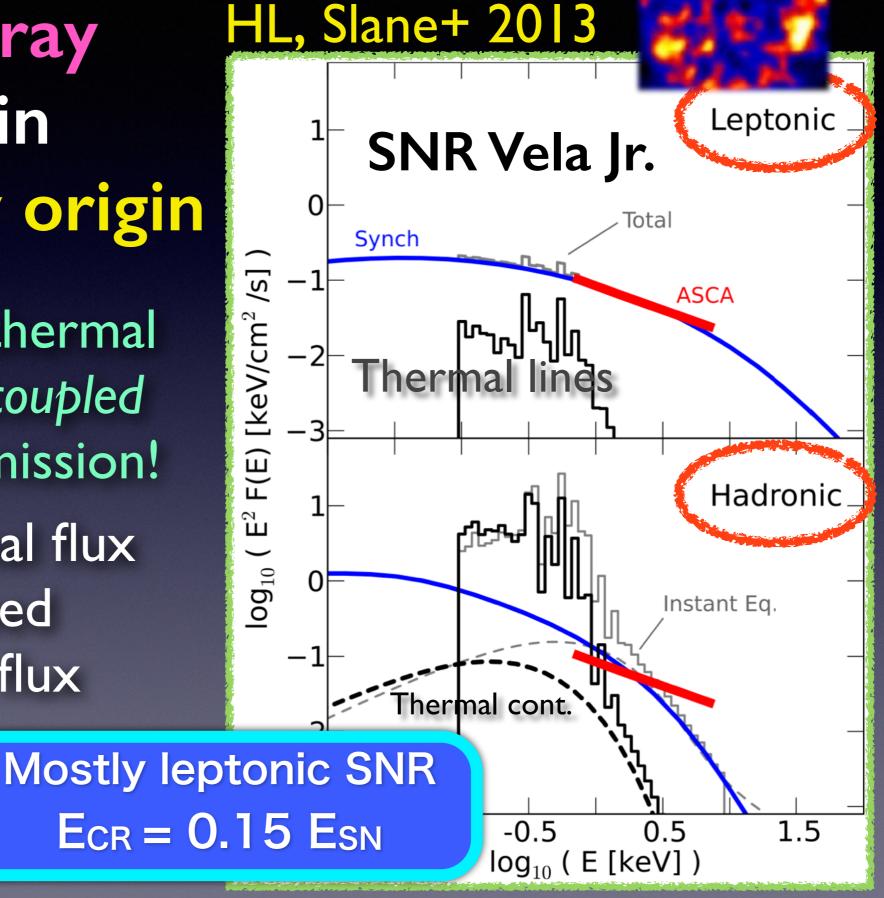


H.E.S.S.

Thermal X-ray can constrain Gamma-ray origin

In young SNRs, thermal X-ray emission coupled to broadband emission!

Predicted thermal flux must NOT exceed observed X-ray flux

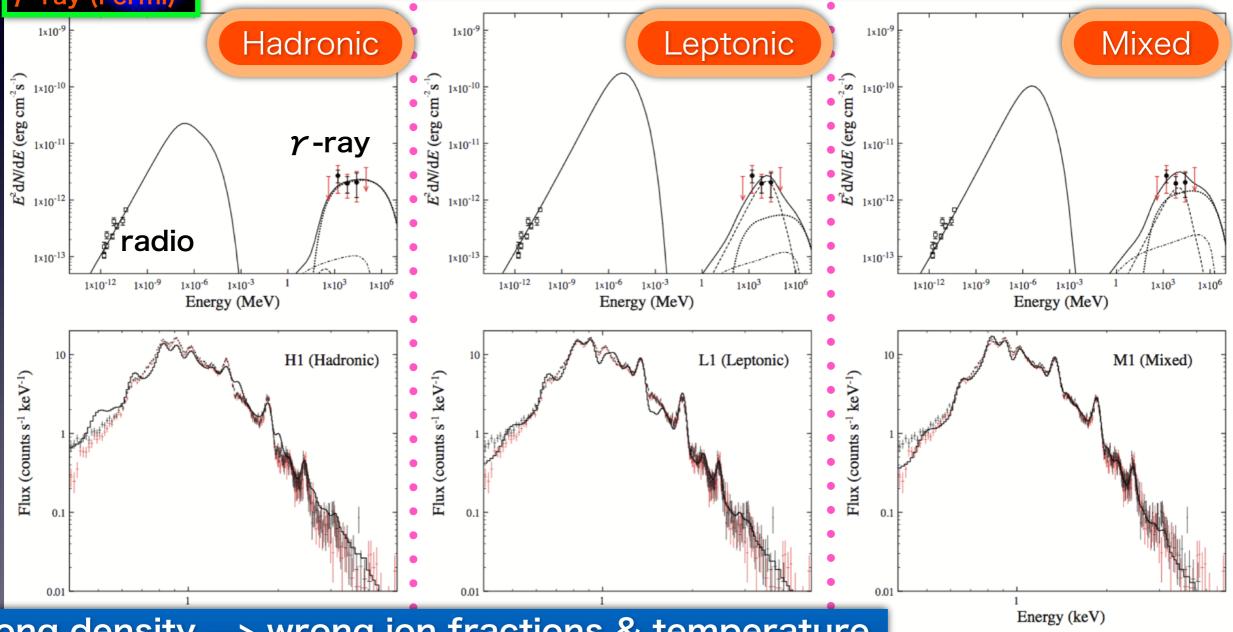


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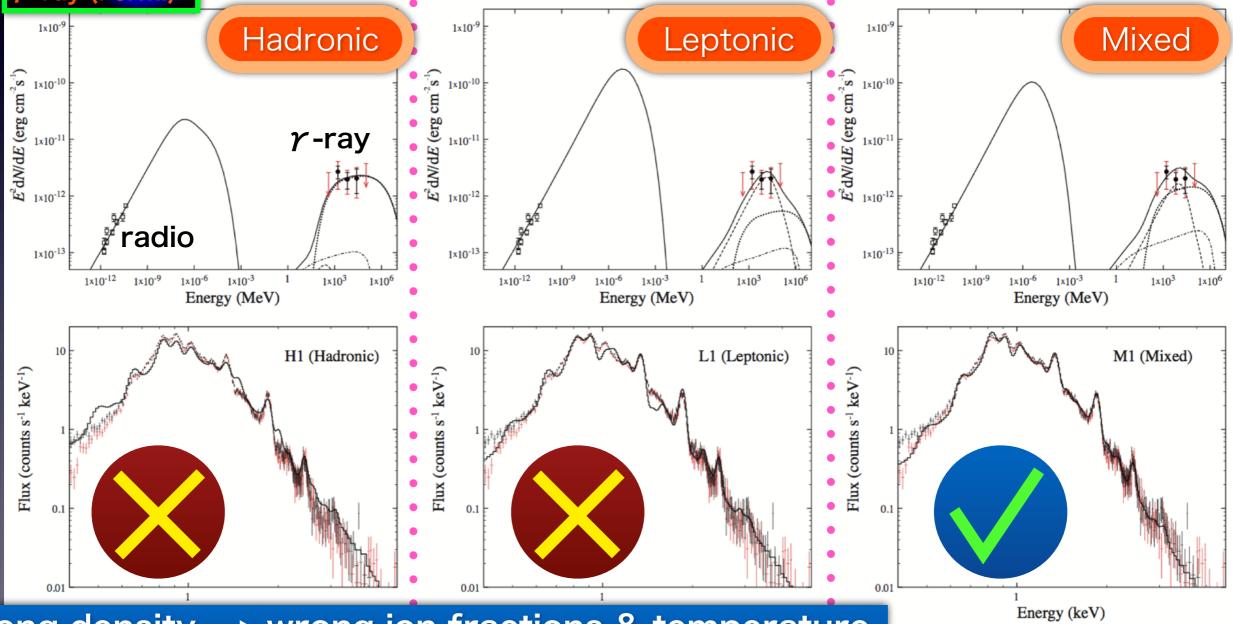
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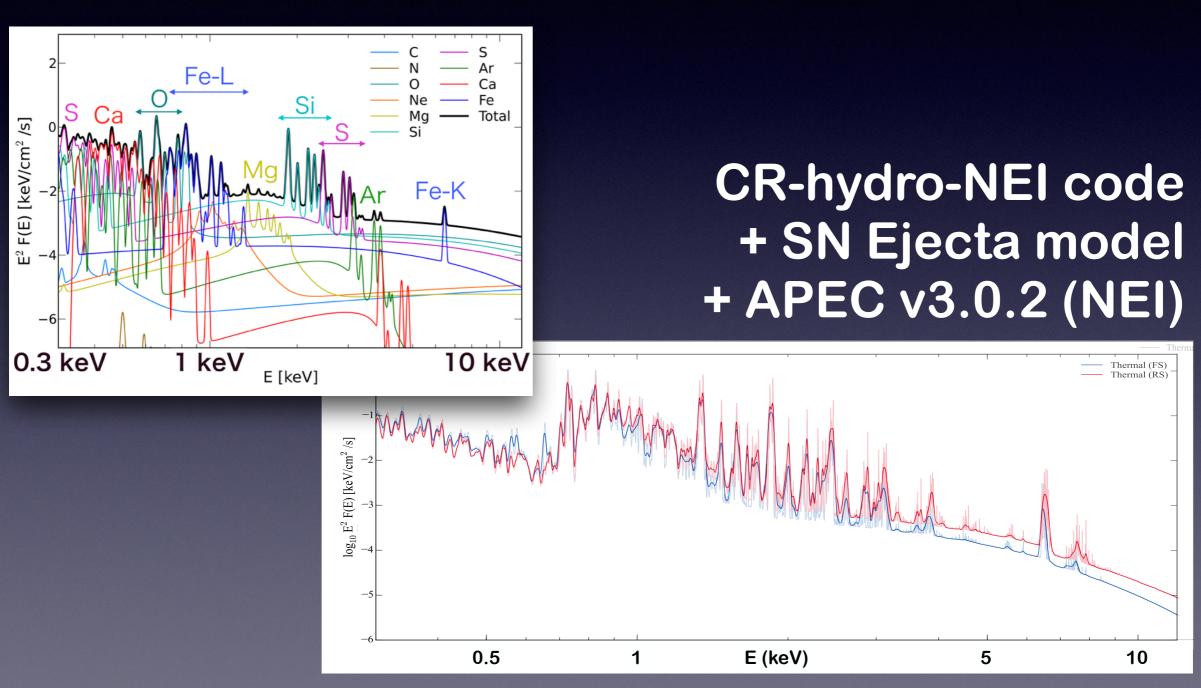
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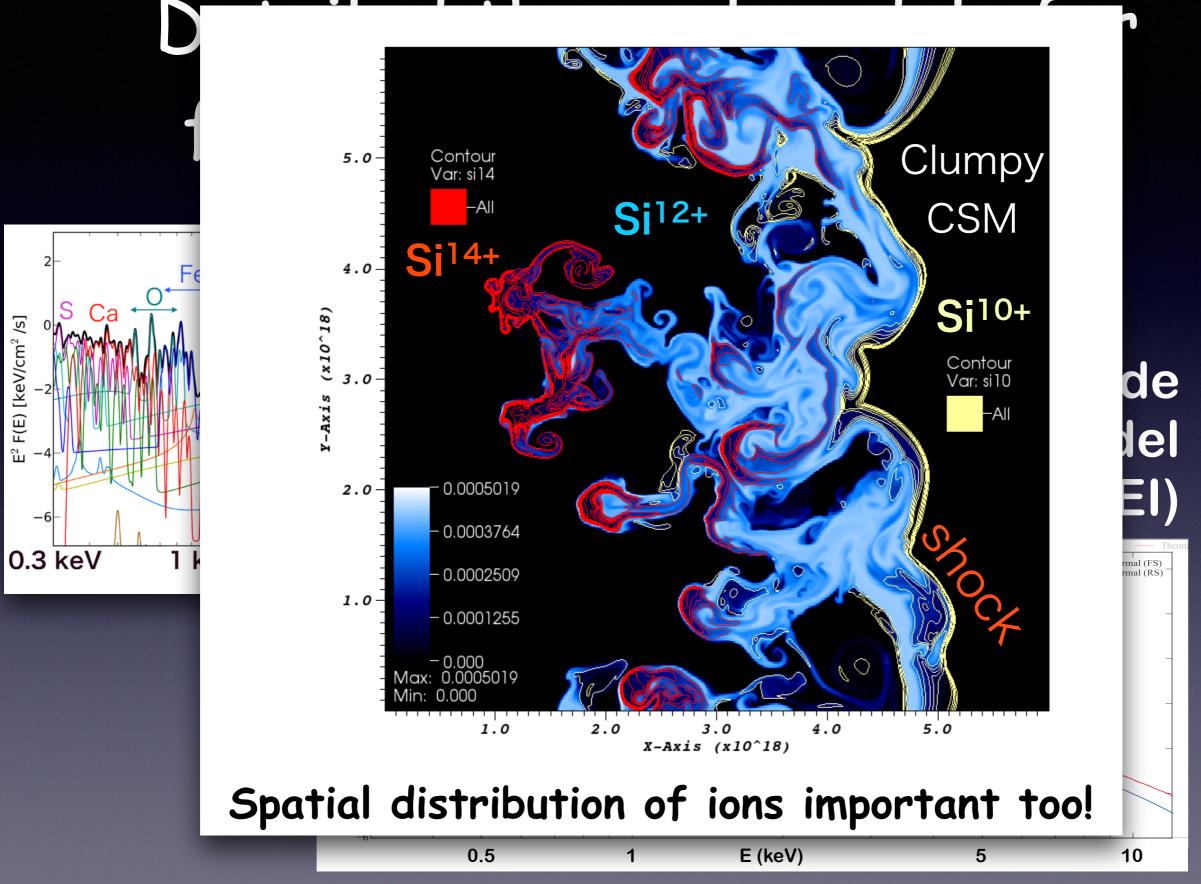
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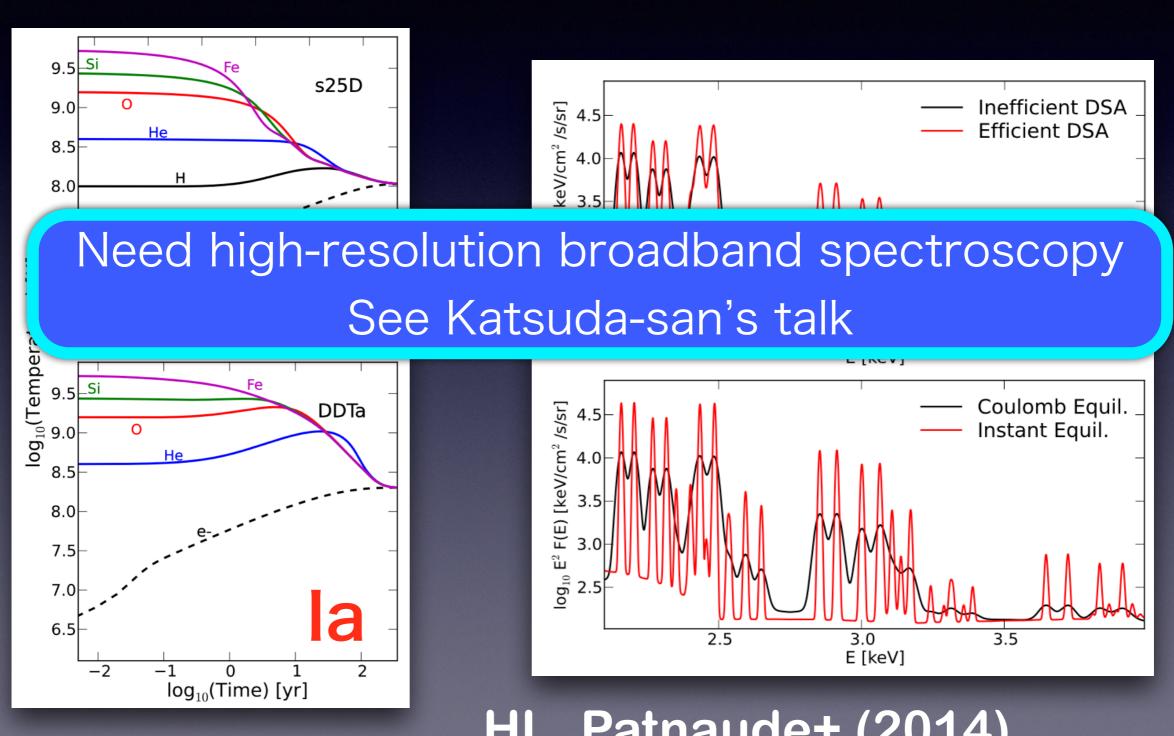
Detailed thermal models for Mass fractions future X-ray spectroscopy





Thermal line broadening

Progenitor, equilibration and particle acceleration



Radiative shock hydrodynamics

with full non-equilibrium ionization (NEI) and cosmic-ray re-acceleration

$$3/2 \text{ k}_B \text{ d}T/\text{d}t = -(n_e n_p/n) \wedge + \Gamma + (\kappa/n) \nabla^2 T$$

Cooling function

- Follow NEI of 12 elements:

 H, He, CNO, Ne, Mg, Si, S, Ar, Ca, Fe
- ★ UV/optical continua and lines
- ★ Cooling is fast, close to isochoric

Heating function

- Radiative transfer of strong UV lines and continua
- **Absorption**, photoionization
- ★ Heating by photoelectrons

(e.g. Gnat & Steinberg 2009)

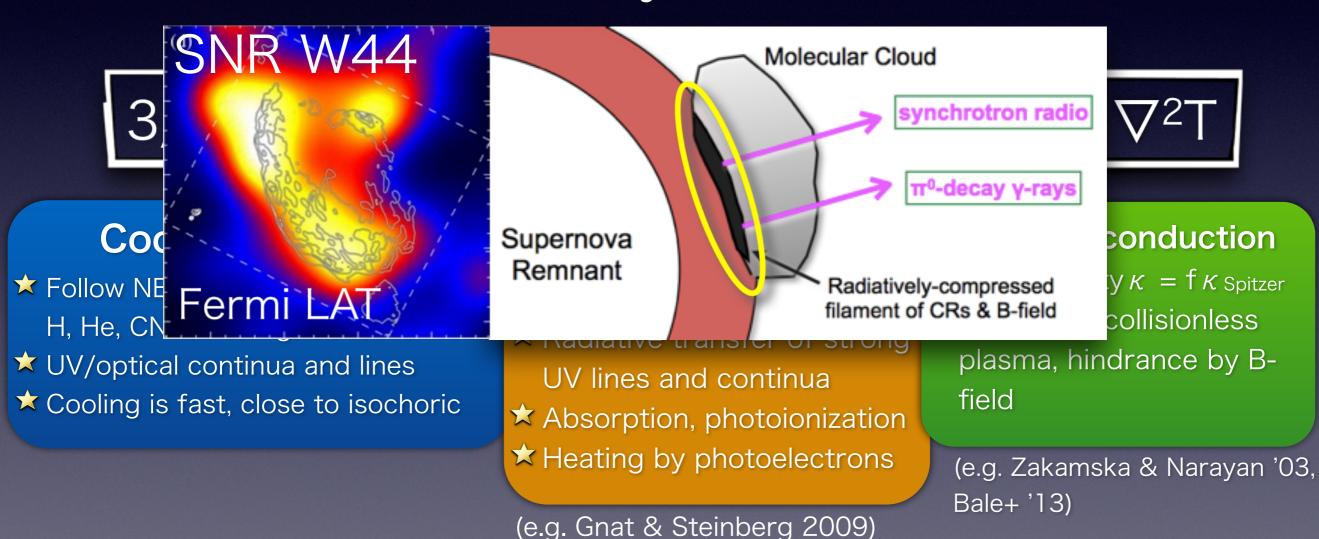
Thermal conduction

- \star Conductivity $\kappa = f \kappa$ Spitzer
- ★ f = 0.3 for collisionless plasma, hindrance by B-field

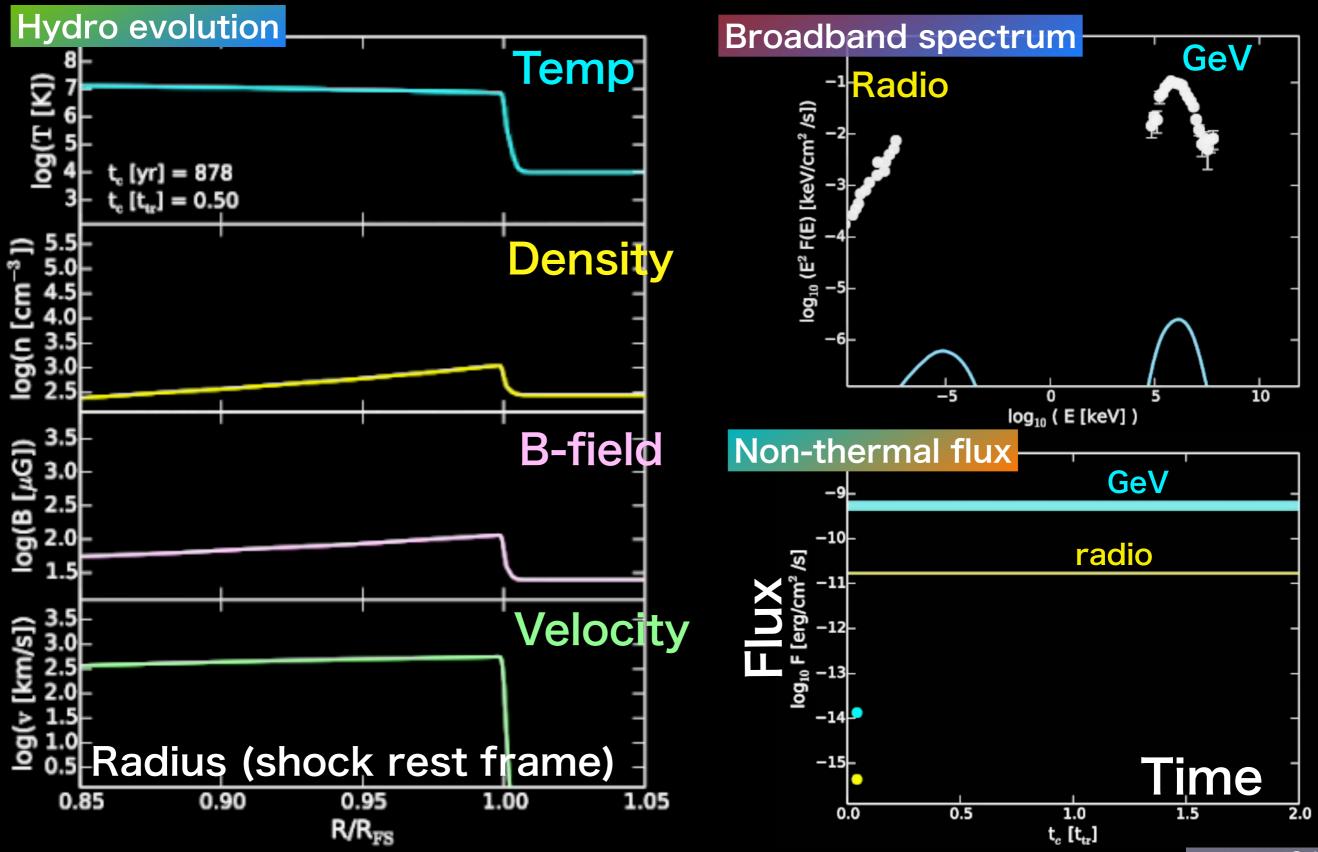
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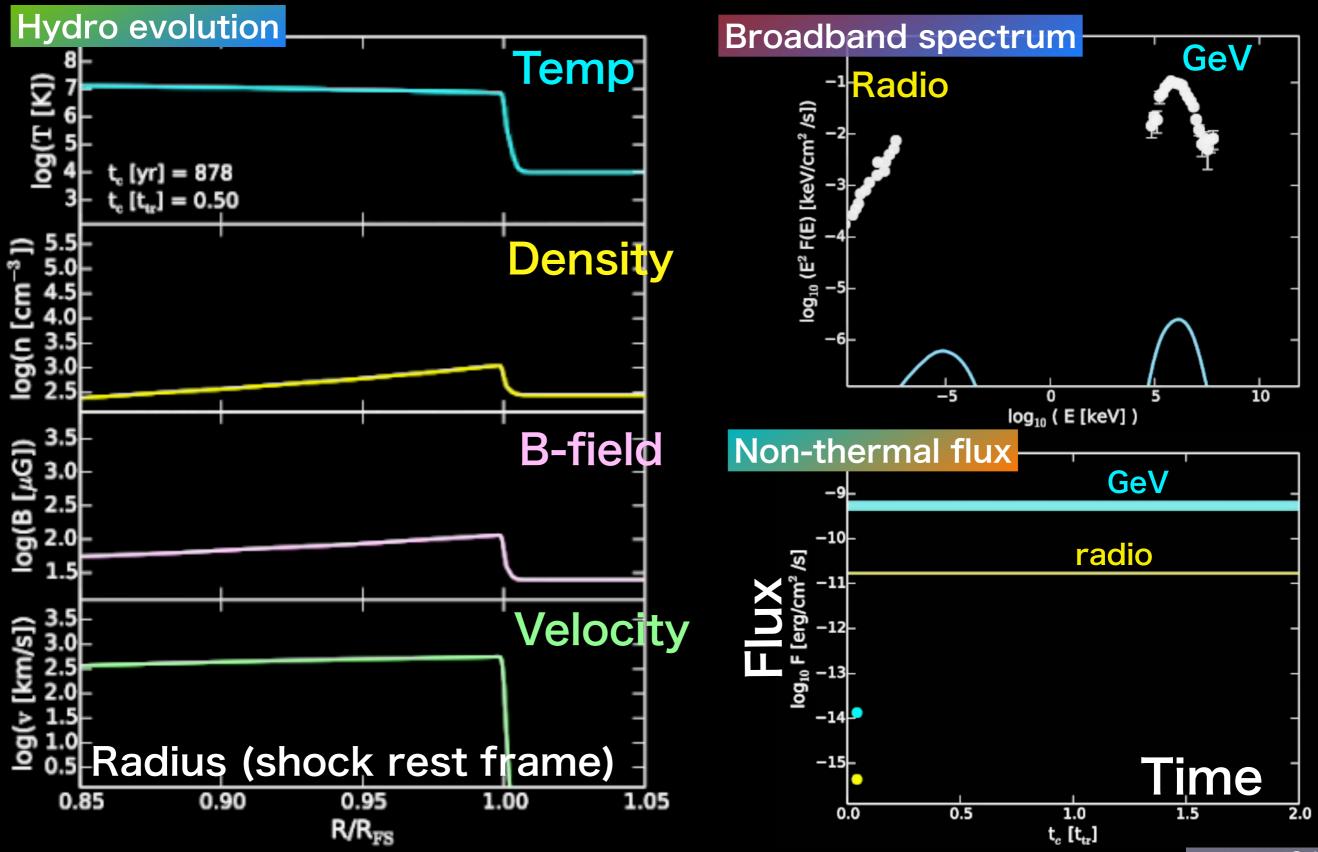
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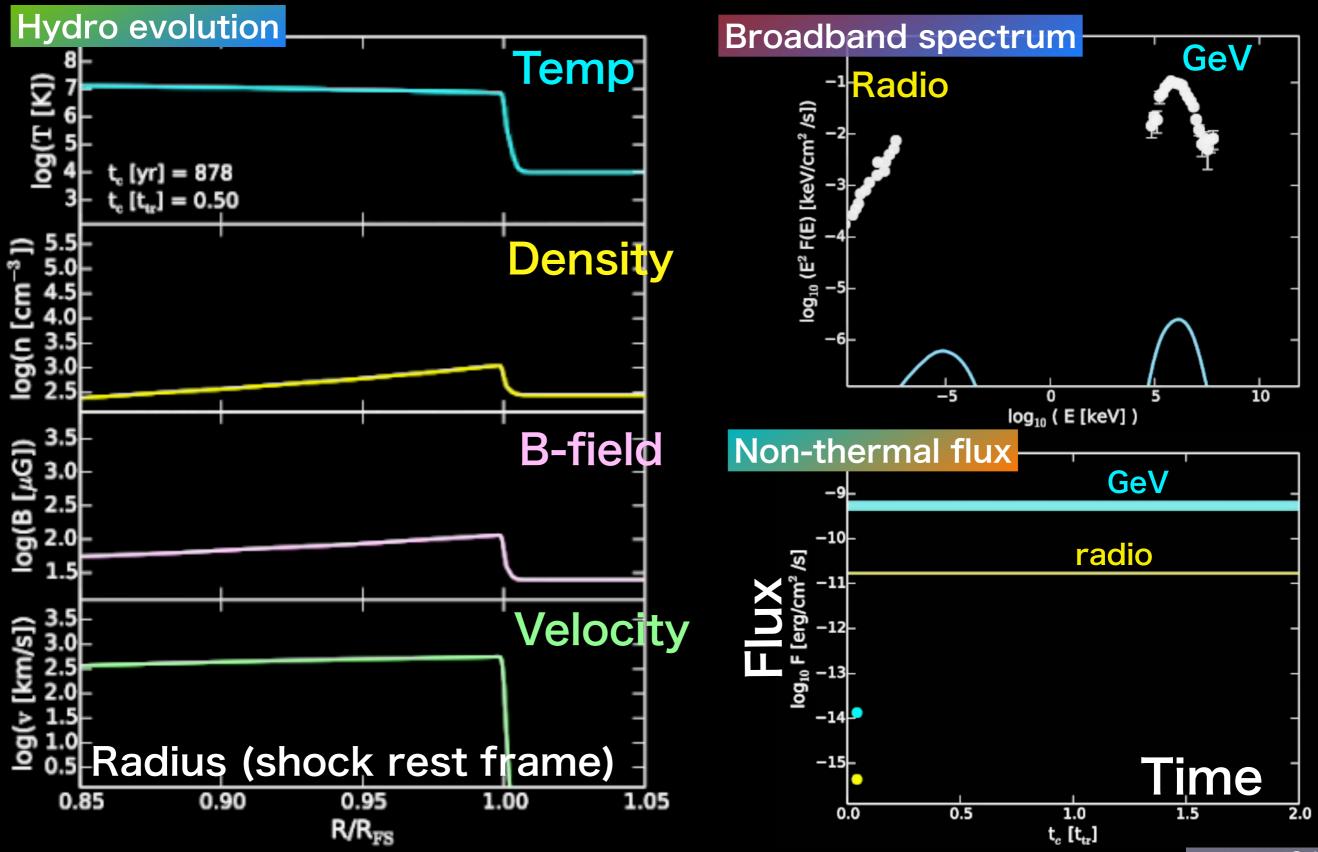
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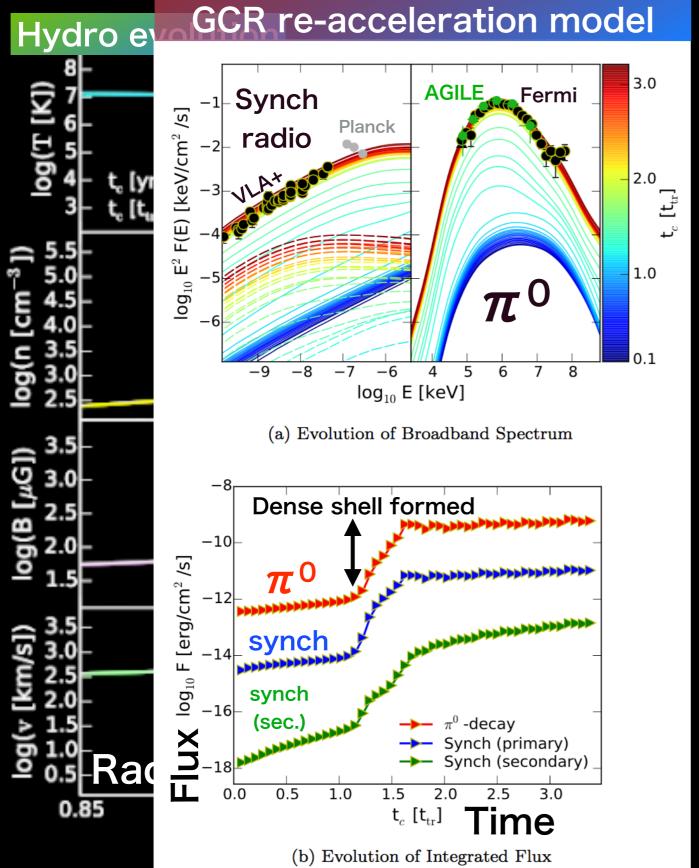


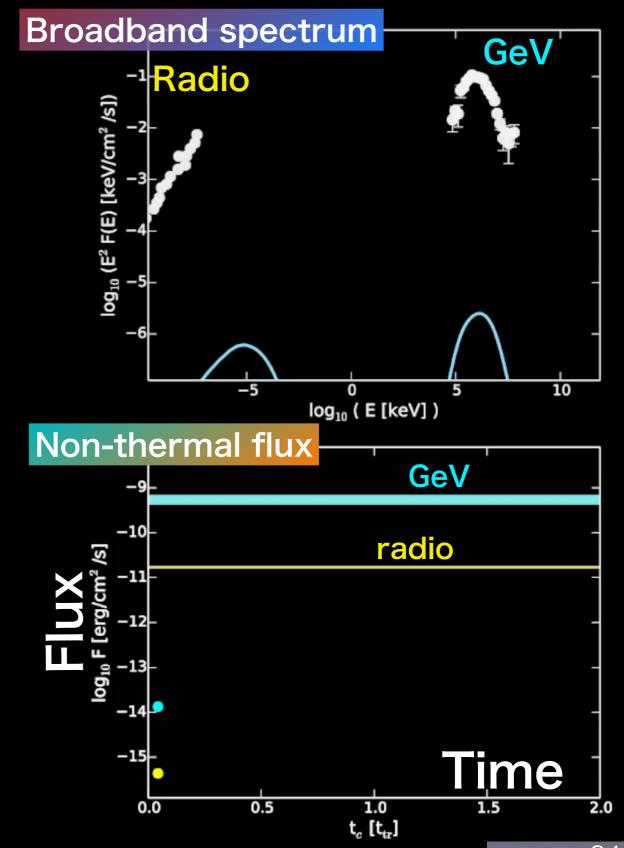
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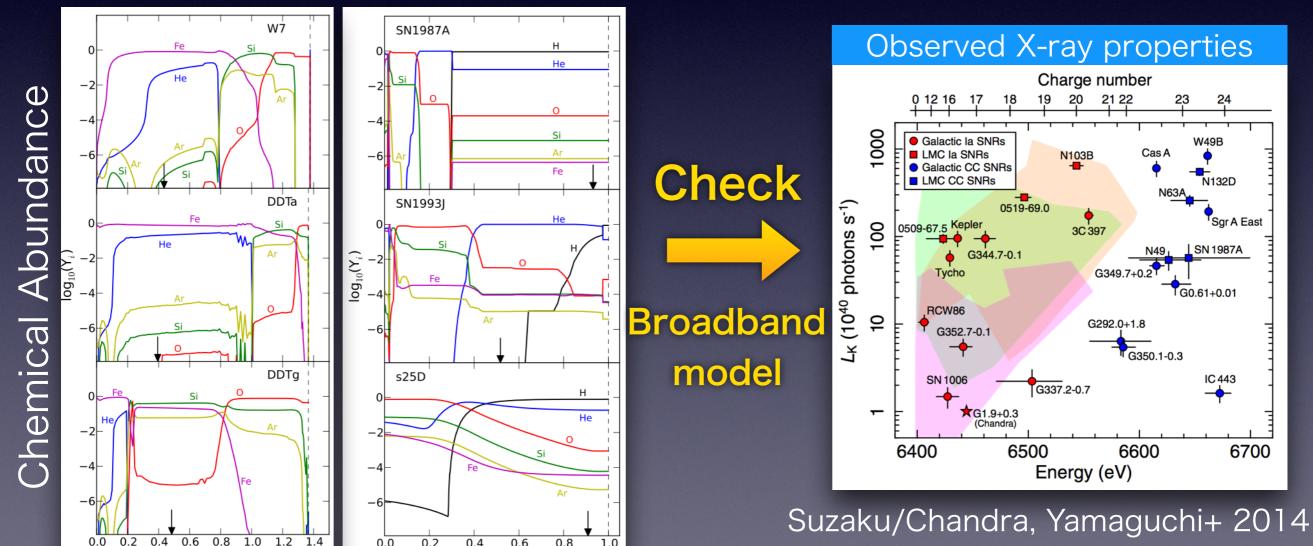
An Important Application

Q: Are current SN models consistent with SNR observations?

Basic method:

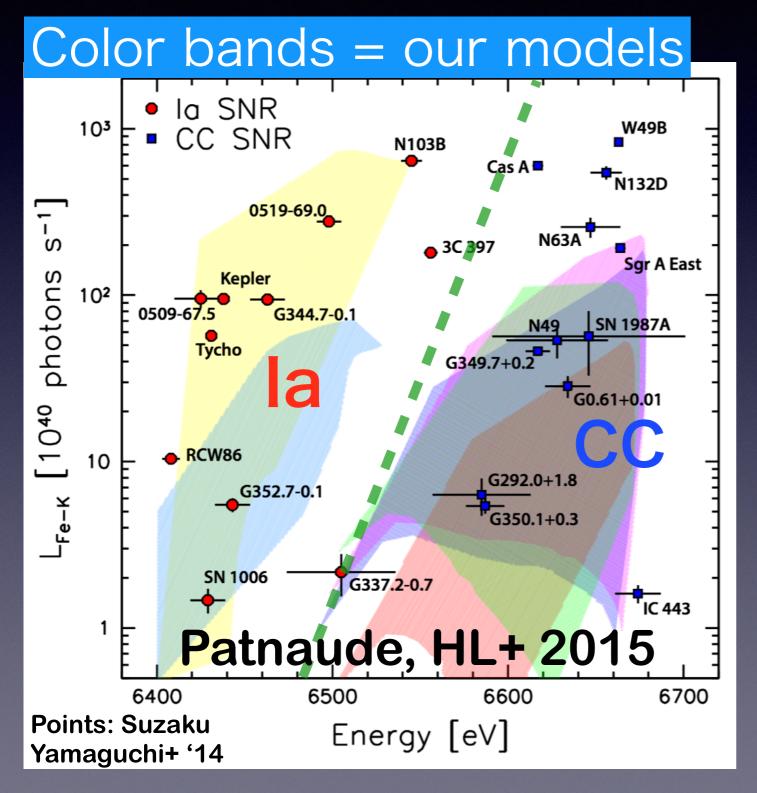
Evolve an SN ejecta to its SNR phase

Calculate the emission properties self-consistently with evolution!



Mass coordinate HL, Patnaude+ 2014

Separation of Fe-K line centroid between la & CC Broad consistency between SN model and SNR data



- Key is general difference in circumstellar environment!
- CC encounters dense wind i.e., ejecta hit dense wind
 - —> stronger reverse shock
 - —> higher ionization state
 - —> higher line centroid energy
- la usually has more uniform low-ρ ISM
- Origin of scattering in plot
 = dispersion in age, progenitor and wind properties
- Several 'special' outliers:

 Often dense cloud interaction

Conclusions

- We have reviewed on the general methodology and capabilities of modern broadband models for SNRs
- Current limitations from yet incompletely understood physics
 - Rely on rich MW observational data and breakthroughs from first principle simulations to remove 'free' parameters
- Future is in cross-field collaborations Importance of progenitor-SN-SNR connection More realistic, less ambiguity, more fun