

Diffusive shock reacceleration at supernova remnant shocks

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Bell (1978, MNRAS, II.)

6. Effect of a shock front on pre-existing cosmic rays

*« In previous sections the injection of particles into the acceleration mechanism has been considered as taking place at low energy [...] **An alternative source for the injection of particles is the cosmic ray population which already exists in the upstream gas. »***

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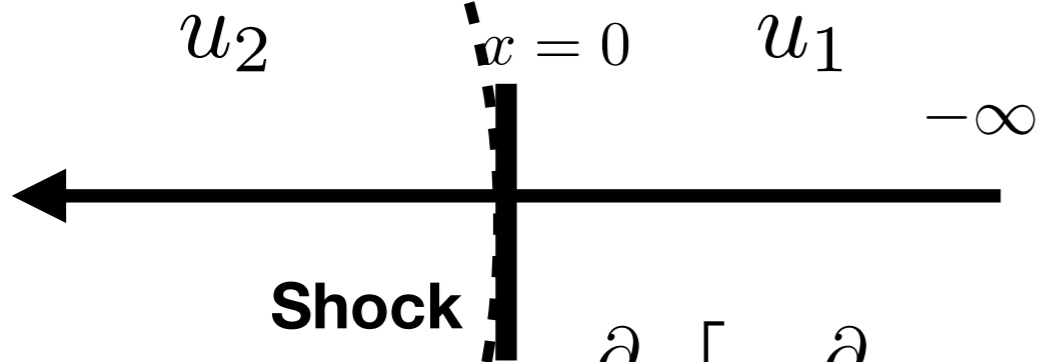
Pohl et. al (2015, A&A)

Reacceleration of electrons in SNRs

Blasi (2017, MNRAS), Bresci et al. (2019, MNRAS)

*The role of reacceleration on secondary nuclei.
-> Anti-proton-to-proton and Boron-to-Carbon ratios*

A simple description



$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[D \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x, p) \right] - u \frac{\partial f(x, p)}{\partial x} + \frac{1}{3} \frac{du}{dx} p \frac{\partial f(x, p)}{\partial p} = -Q(x, p)$$

$$Q_0(p) = \frac{\eta n_0 u_1}{4\pi p_{inj}^2} \delta(p - p_{inj})$$

$$g(p) = f(-\infty, p)$$

**Boundary condition ->
upstream infinity of the
shock**

$$r = \frac{u_1}{u_2}$$

$$s = \frac{3r}{r-1}$$

$$f_0(p) = s \frac{\eta n_1}{4\pi p_{inj}^3} \left(\frac{p}{p_{inj}} \right)^{-s}$$

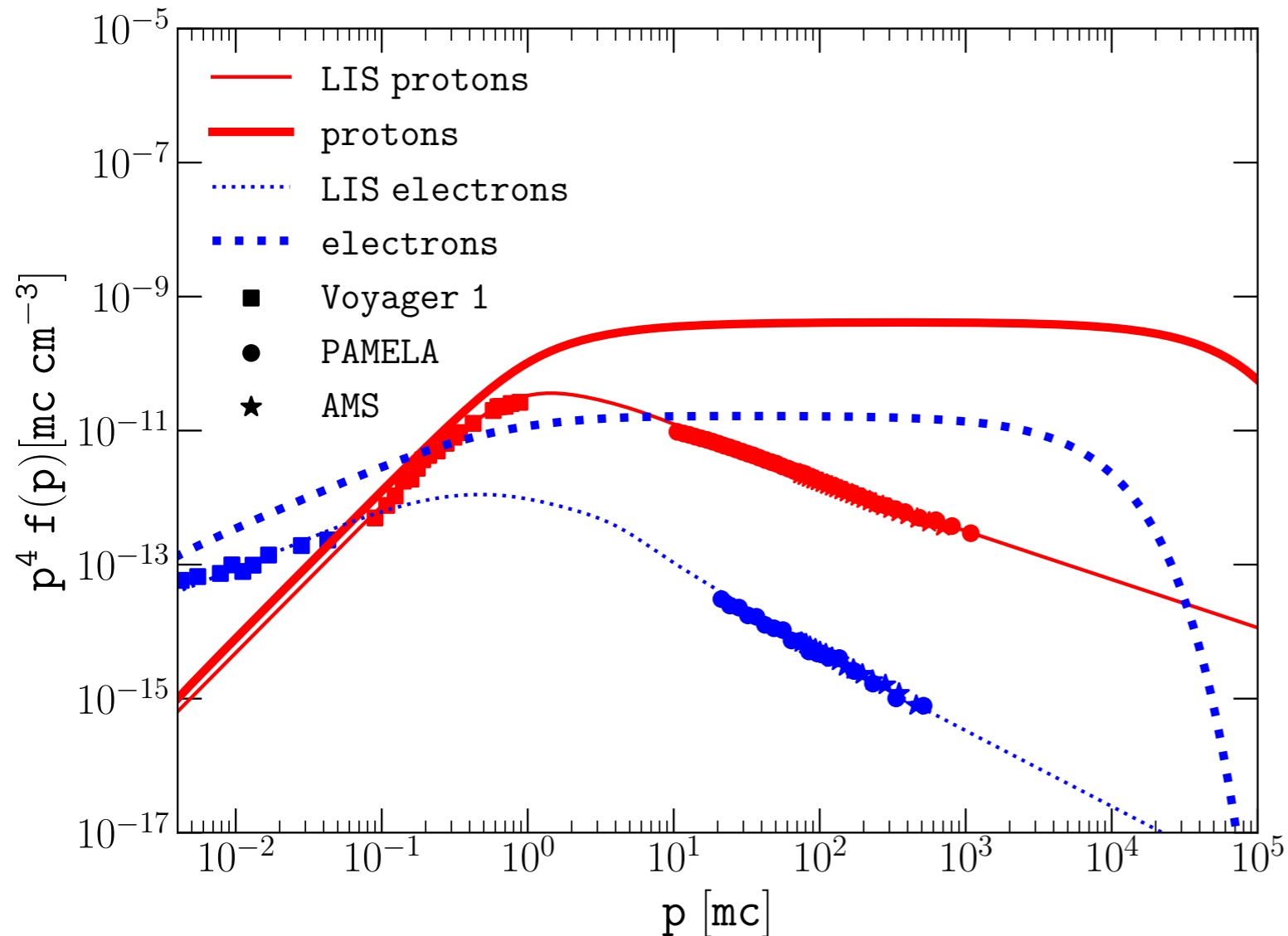
**« Classic »
diffusive shock
acceleration**

$$s \int_{p_0}^p \frac{dp'}{p'} \left(\frac{p'}{p} \right)^s g(p')$$

Reacceleration

Blasi (2004)

Reacceleration of Galactic CRs



$$f_0^{\text{reac}}(p) = s \int_{p_0}^p \frac{dp'}{p'} \left(\frac{p'}{p} \right)^s g(p')$$

$$s = 4$$

$$p_0 \lesssim 1 \text{ GeV}$$

Maximum energy of reaccelerated particles?

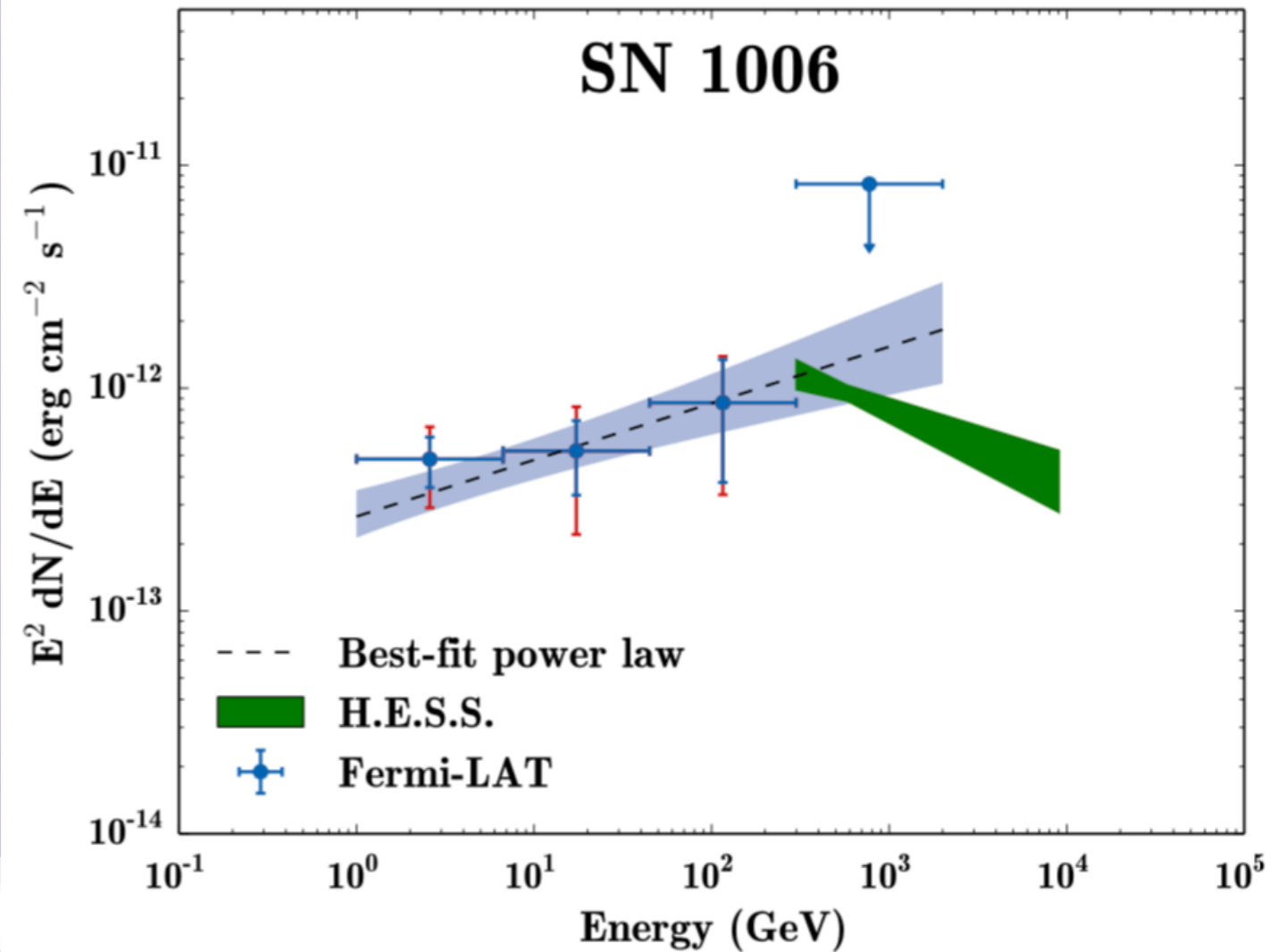
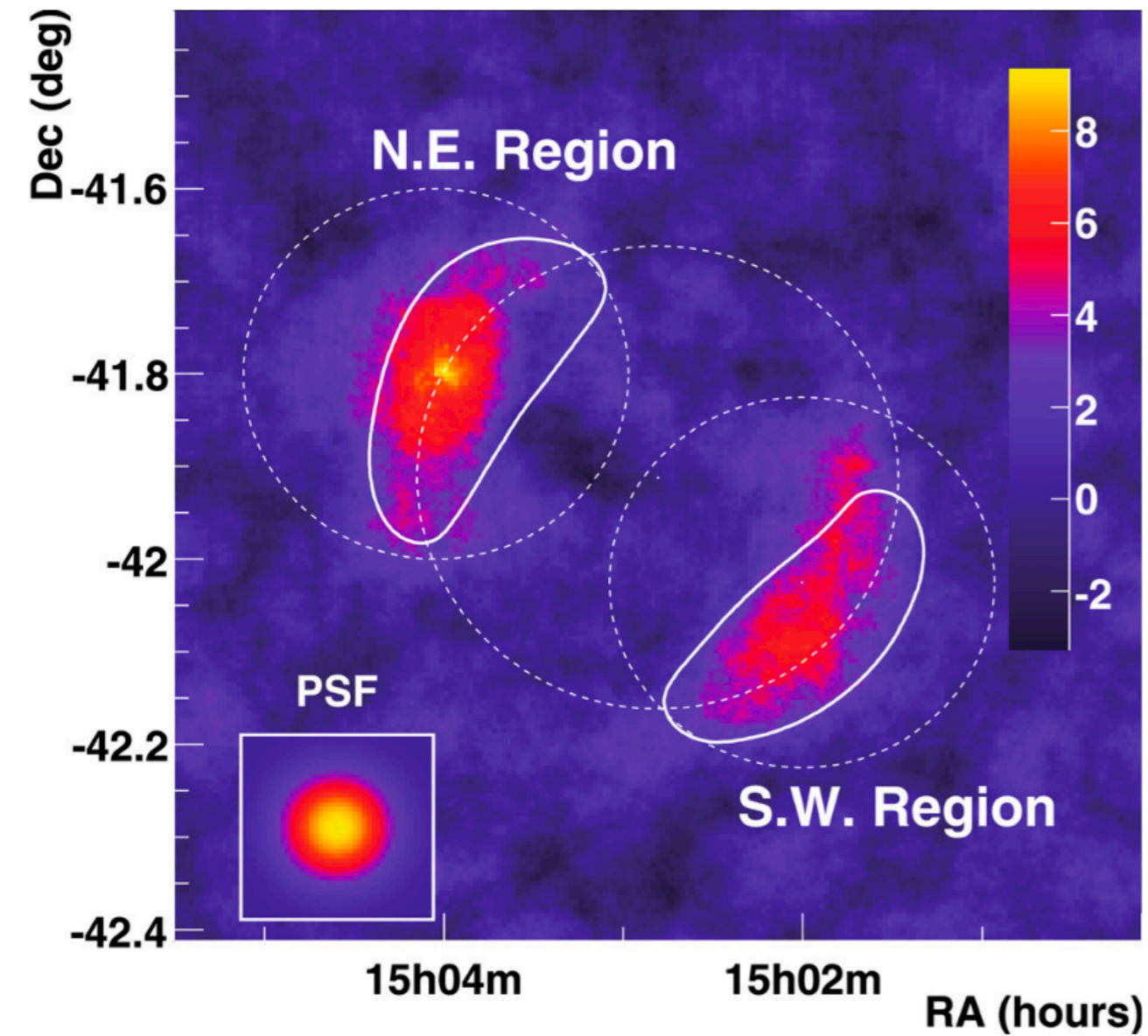
Bischoff et al. (2019)

Aguilar et al. (2019)

Cummings et al. (2016)

Adriani et al. (2011)

SN 1006



$$R_{\text{sh}} \approx 7 - 8 \text{ pc}$$

$$d \approx 1.8 - 2 \text{ kpc}$$

$$u_{\text{sh}} \approx 4.3 \cdot 10^8 \text{ cm/s}$$

$$n_0 \sim 10^{-2} - 10^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

H.E.S.S. (2010)

Condon (2017)

Reaccelerated particles at SN 1006

$$f_0^{\text{reac}}(p) = s \int_{p_0}^p \frac{dp'}{p'} \left(\frac{p'}{p}\right)^s g(p')$$

Maximum energy of reaccelerated particles?

~~Protons?~~

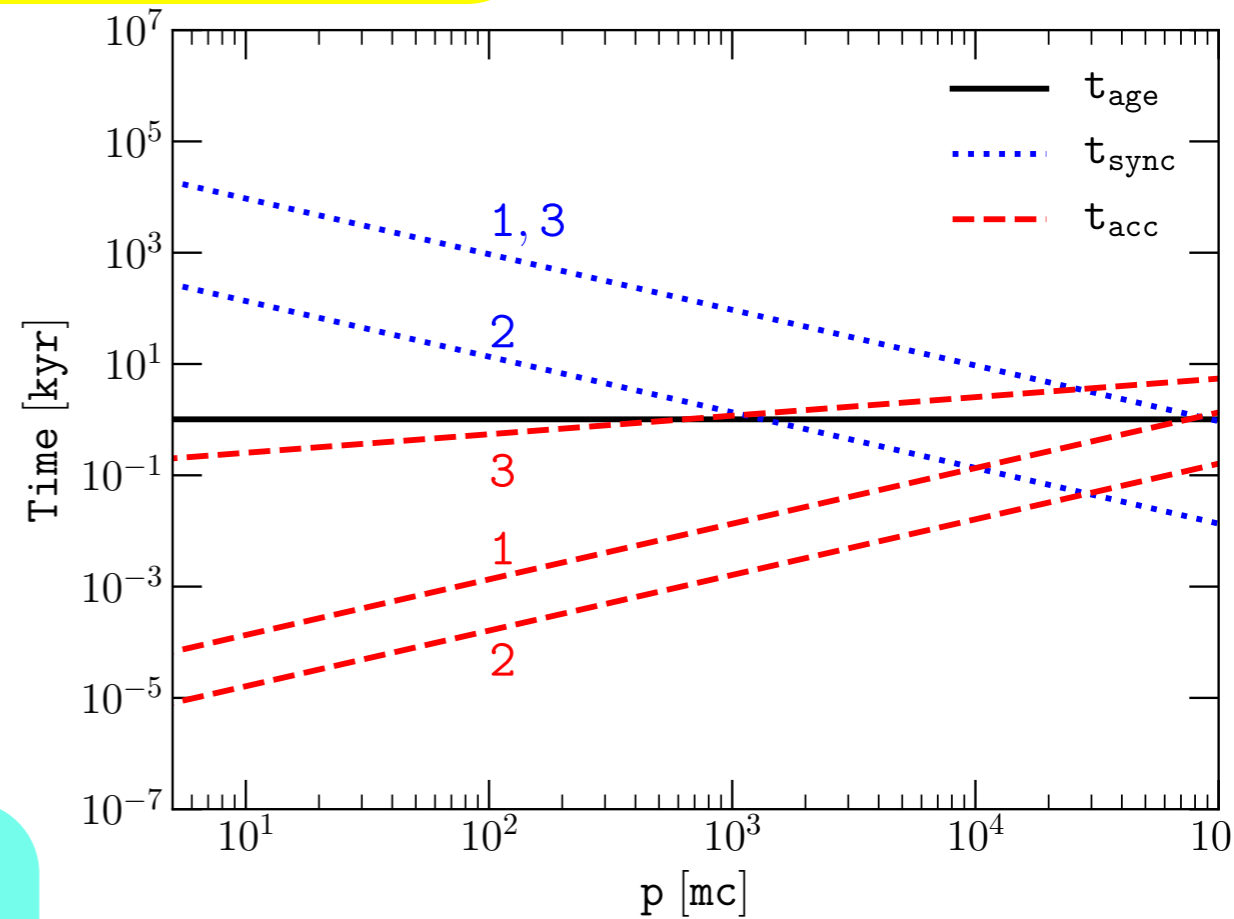
~~$$n_0 \sim 10^{-2} - 10^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-3}$$~~

Maximum energy of reaccelerated electrons?

$$\tau_{\text{acc}} = \min(\tau_{\text{sync}}, t_{\text{age}})$$

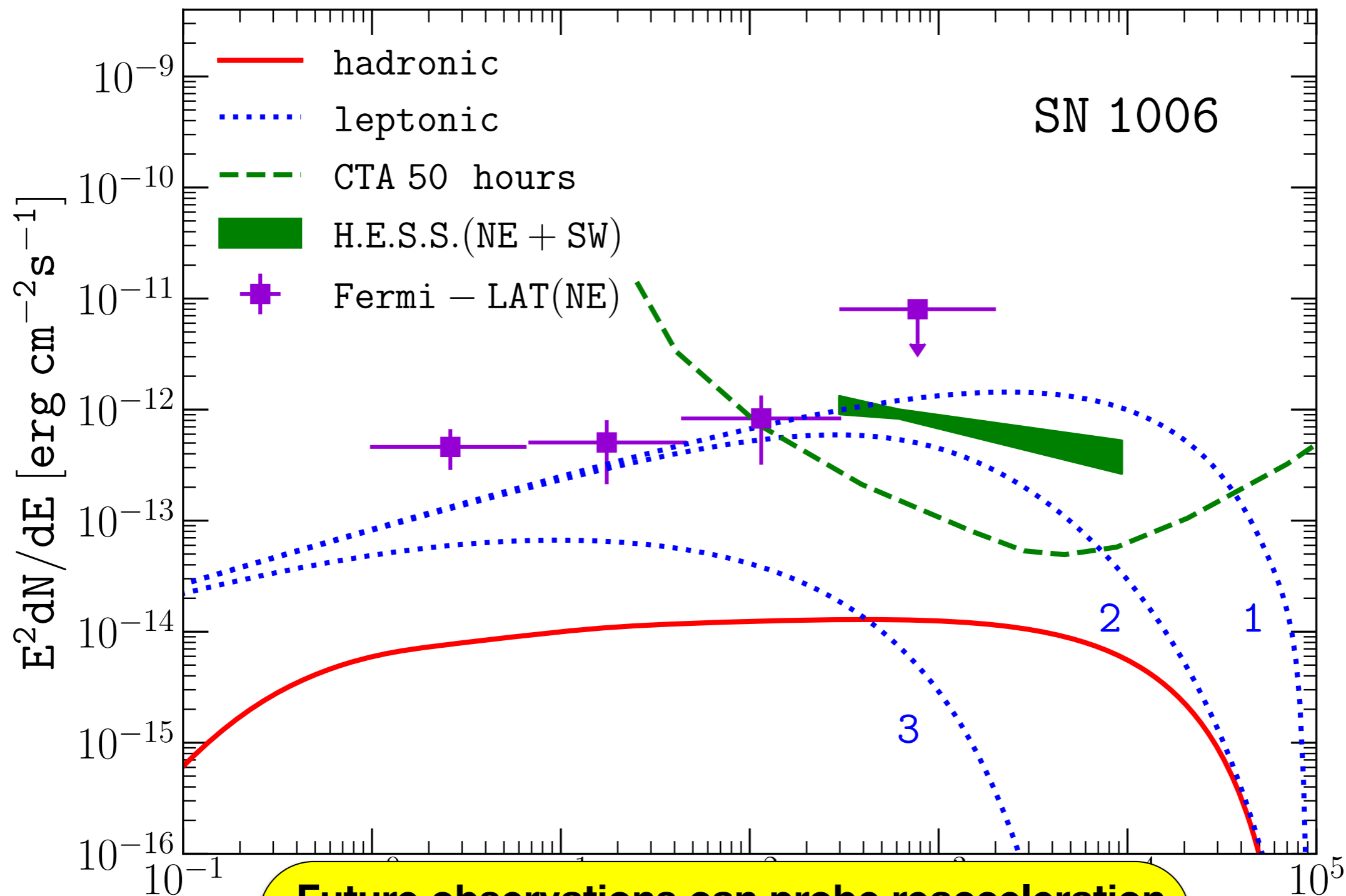
$$\tau_{\text{acc}} = \frac{3}{u_1 - u_2} \int_0^p \frac{dp'}{p'} \left(\frac{D_1(p')}{u_1} + \frac{D_2(p')}{u_2} \right)$$

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|----|------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. | $D(p) \propto p$ | $B_2 = 12\mu\text{G}$ |
| 2. | $D(p) \propto p$ | $B_2 = 100\mu\text{G}$ |
| 3. | $D(p) \propto p^{1/3}$ | $B_2 = 12\mu\text{G}$ |



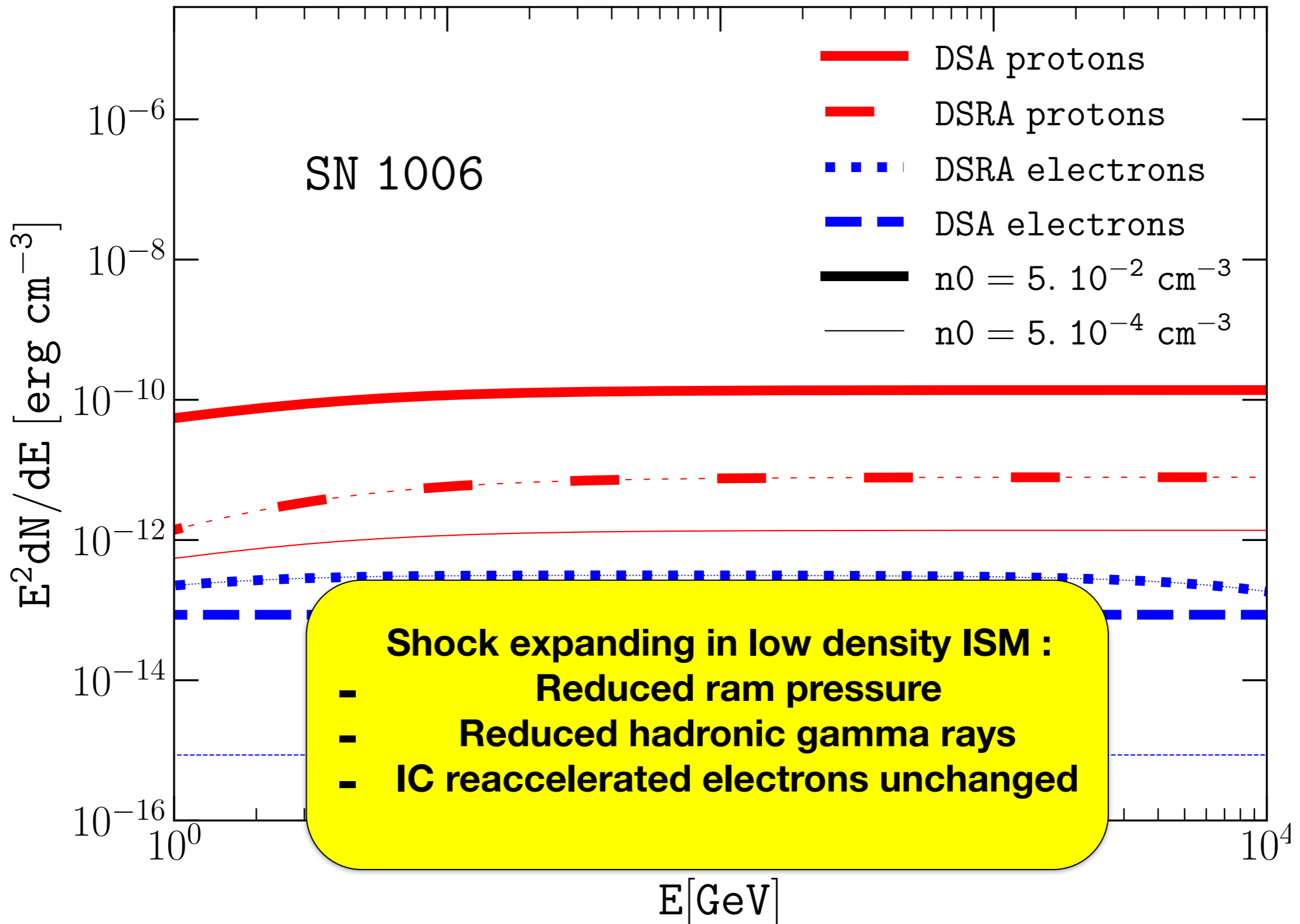
$$B_2 = r B_1$$

Gamma rays from SN 1006

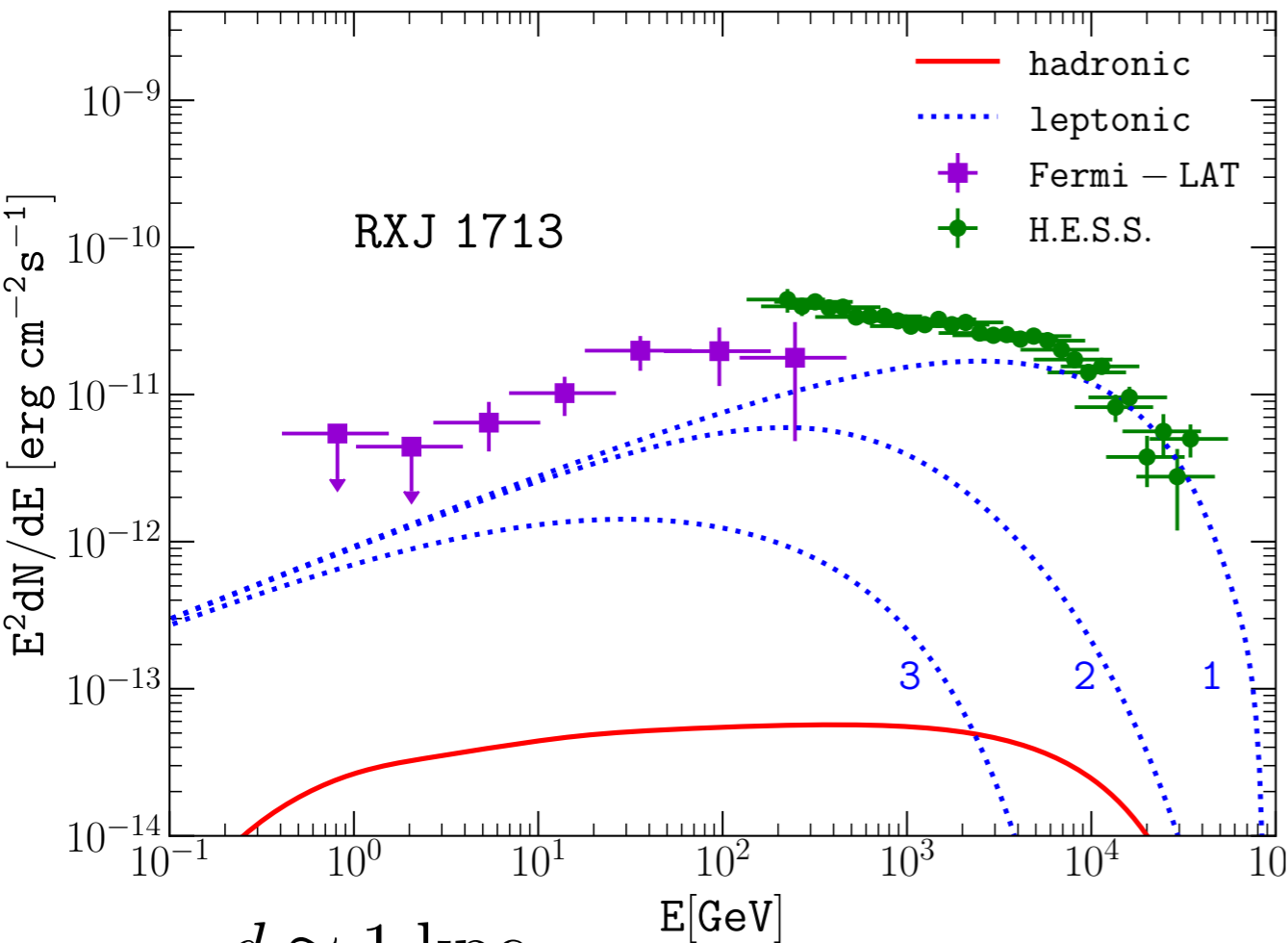


Future observations can probe reacceleration and constrain the diffusion coefficient

Reaccelerated particles at SN 1006



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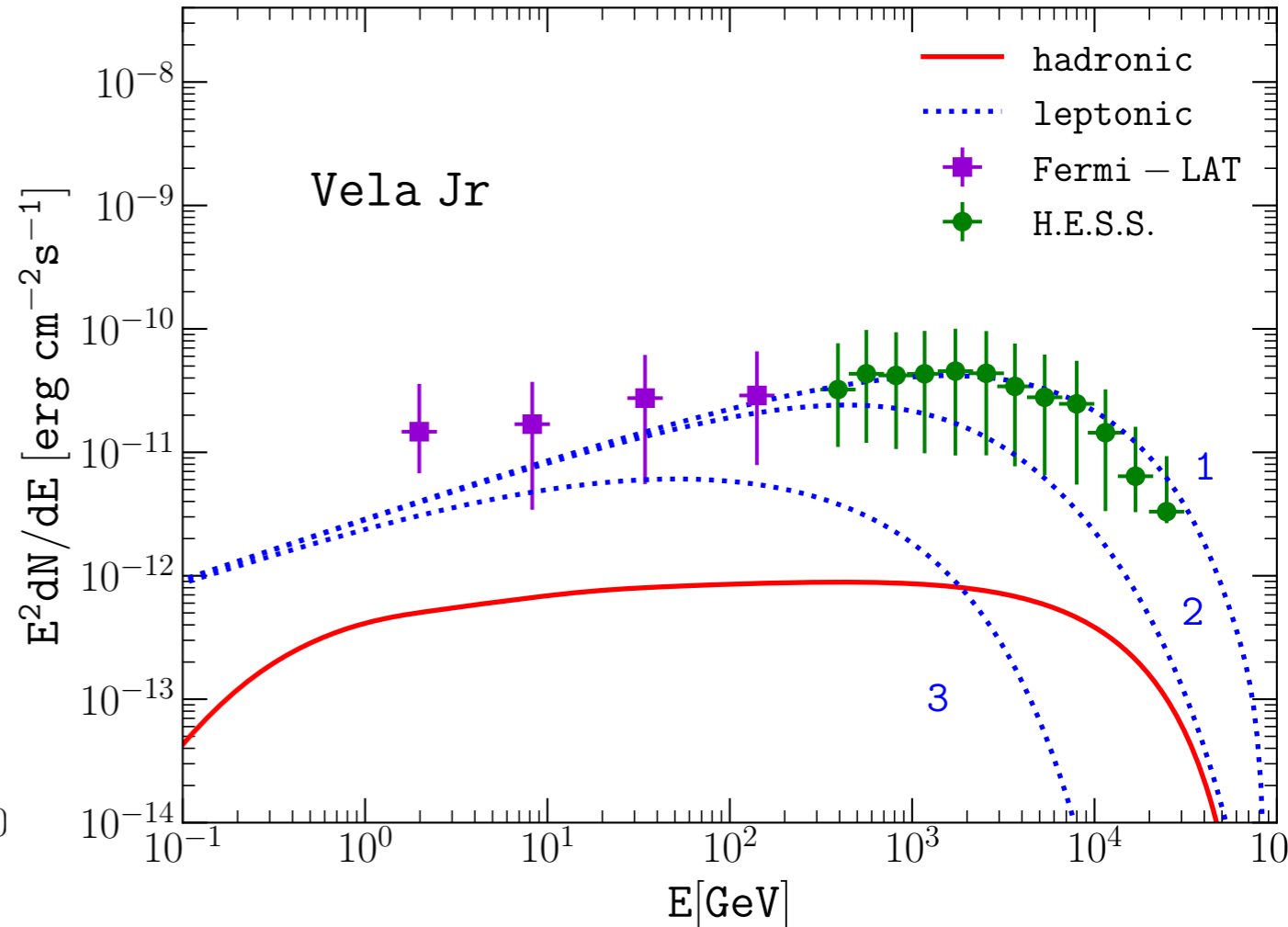


$d \approx 1$ kpc

$n_0 \approx 10^{-2} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

$R_{\text{sh}} \approx 10$ pc

$u_{\text{sh}} \approx 4 \cdot 10^8$ cm/s



$d \approx 0.750$ kpc

$n_0 \approx 10^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

$R_{\text{sh}} \approx 12$ pc

$u_{\text{sh}} \approx 3 \cdot 10^8$ cm/s

Gamma rays from reaccelerated particles ~somewhat at the level of gamma rays from ‘freshly’ accelerated particles

Reacceleration over the SNR lifetime

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

$$u_{\text{sh}} \propto t^{-3/5}$$

$$p_{\text{max}} = p_{\text{M}} t^{-\alpha}$$

$$N(p) = \int_{t_0}^{T_{\text{SN}}} dt n(p, t) 4\pi R_{\text{sh}}^2(t) u_{\text{sh}}(t)$$

**Number of freshly
accelerated particles**

$$n_{\text{acc}}(p, t) \propto \eta n_0 u_{\text{sh}}(t) p^{-2} \exp\left[-\frac{p}{p_{\text{max}}(t)}\right]$$

Total integrated spectrum

$$N_{\text{acc}}(p) \propto \xi E_{\text{SN}} p^{-2} \ln\left(\frac{p_{\text{M}}}{p}\right)$$

**Number of
reaccelerated particles**

$$n_{\text{reac}}(p, t) \propto p^2 f_0^{\text{reac}}(p) \\ \propto p^2 s \int_{p_0}^p \frac{dp'}{p'} \left(\frac{p'}{p}\right)^s g(p')$$

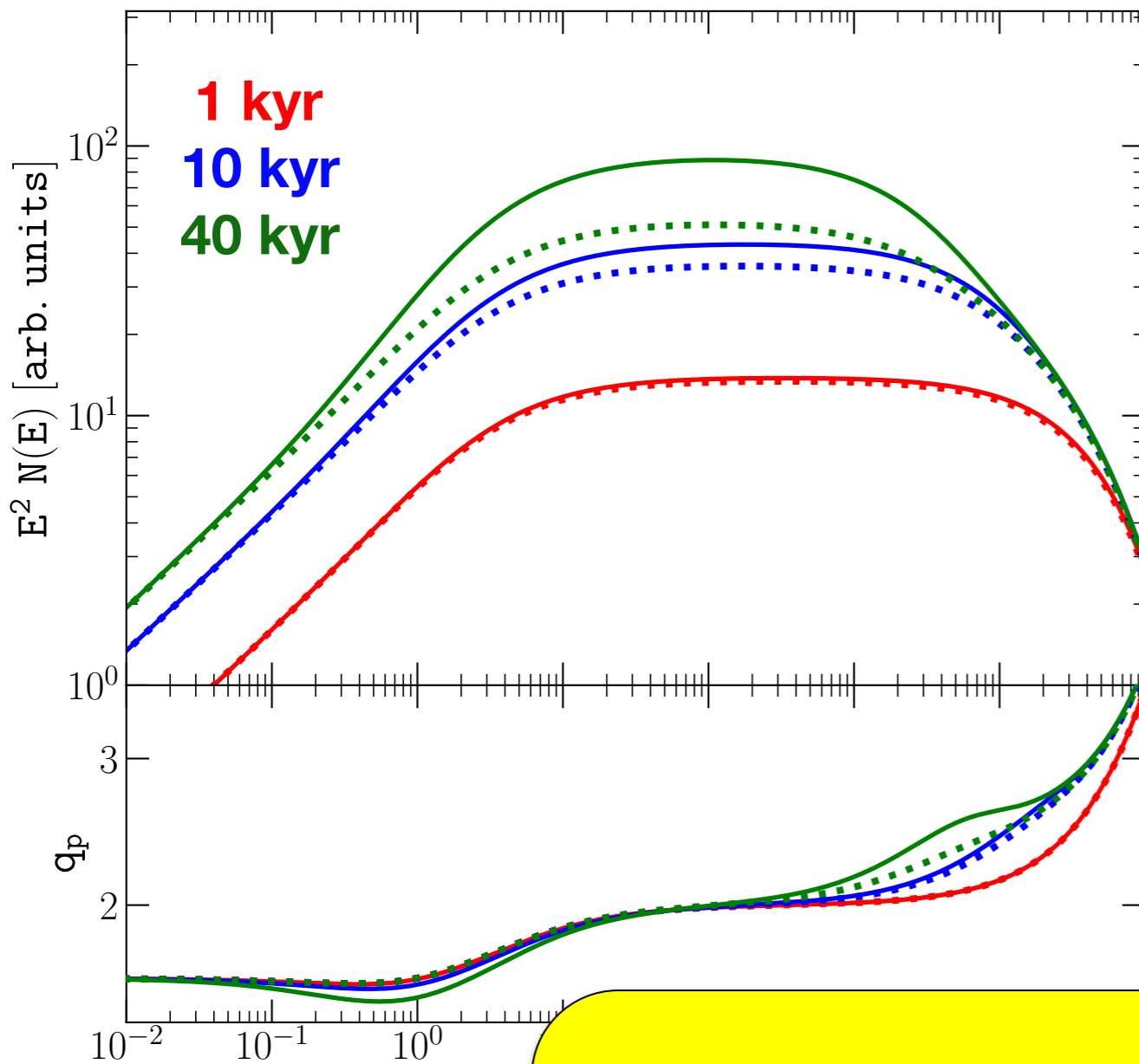
$$\propto p^{-2} \exp\left[-\frac{p}{p_{\text{max}}(t)}\right]$$

Total integrated spectrum

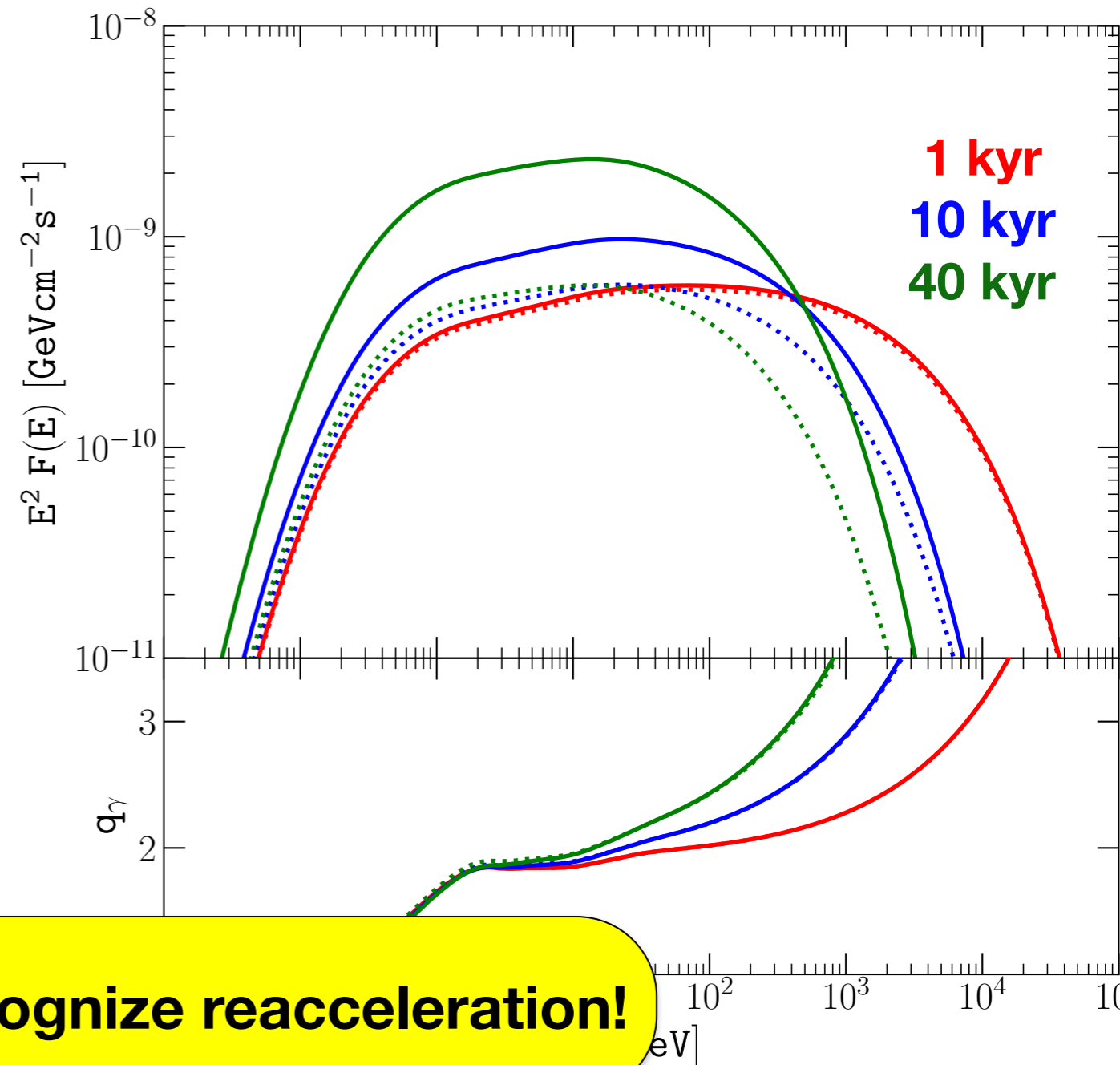
$$N_{\text{reac}}(p) \propto V_{\text{SN}} \left(\frac{T_{\text{SN}}}{t_0}\right)^{6/5} p^{-2} \exp\left[-\frac{p}{p_{\text{max}}(T_{\text{SN}})}\right]$$

Reacceleration over the SNR lifetime

Protons



Gamma-rays

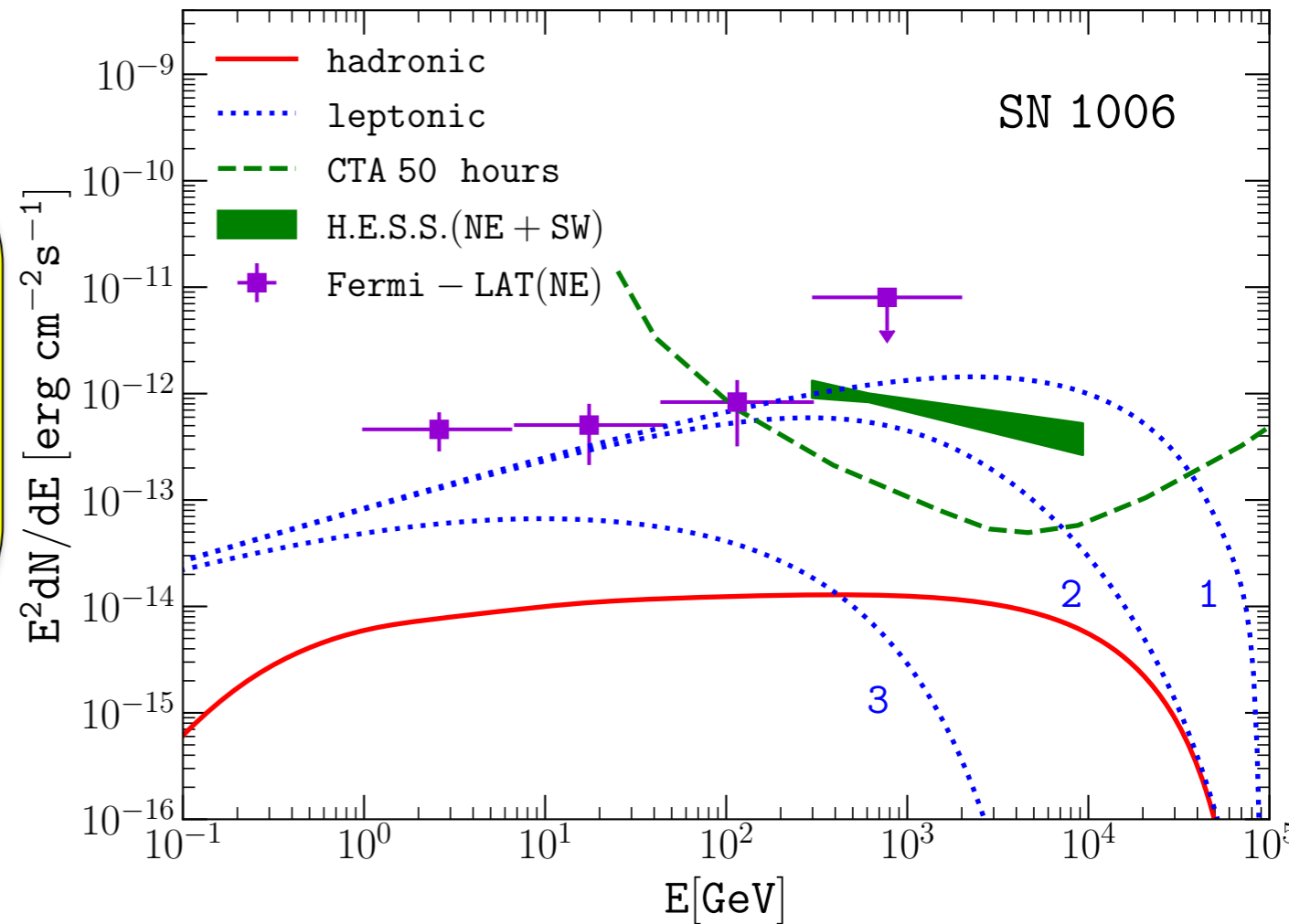


It is not easy to recognize reacceleration!

Conclusions

Minimal assumptions:

- CR spectrum around SN 1006
- Diffusion regime/magnetic field
- Compression factor at the shock



1. The importance of reacceleration at SNRs
2. Possible tests with gamma-ray observations
3. SNRs low density environment
4. Open questions: contribution to the CR spectrum, maximum energy, secondaries