

# ***Numerical Studies of High-Energy Neutrino Emission from a Radiatively Inefficient Accretion Flow with a 3D GRMHD Simulation***

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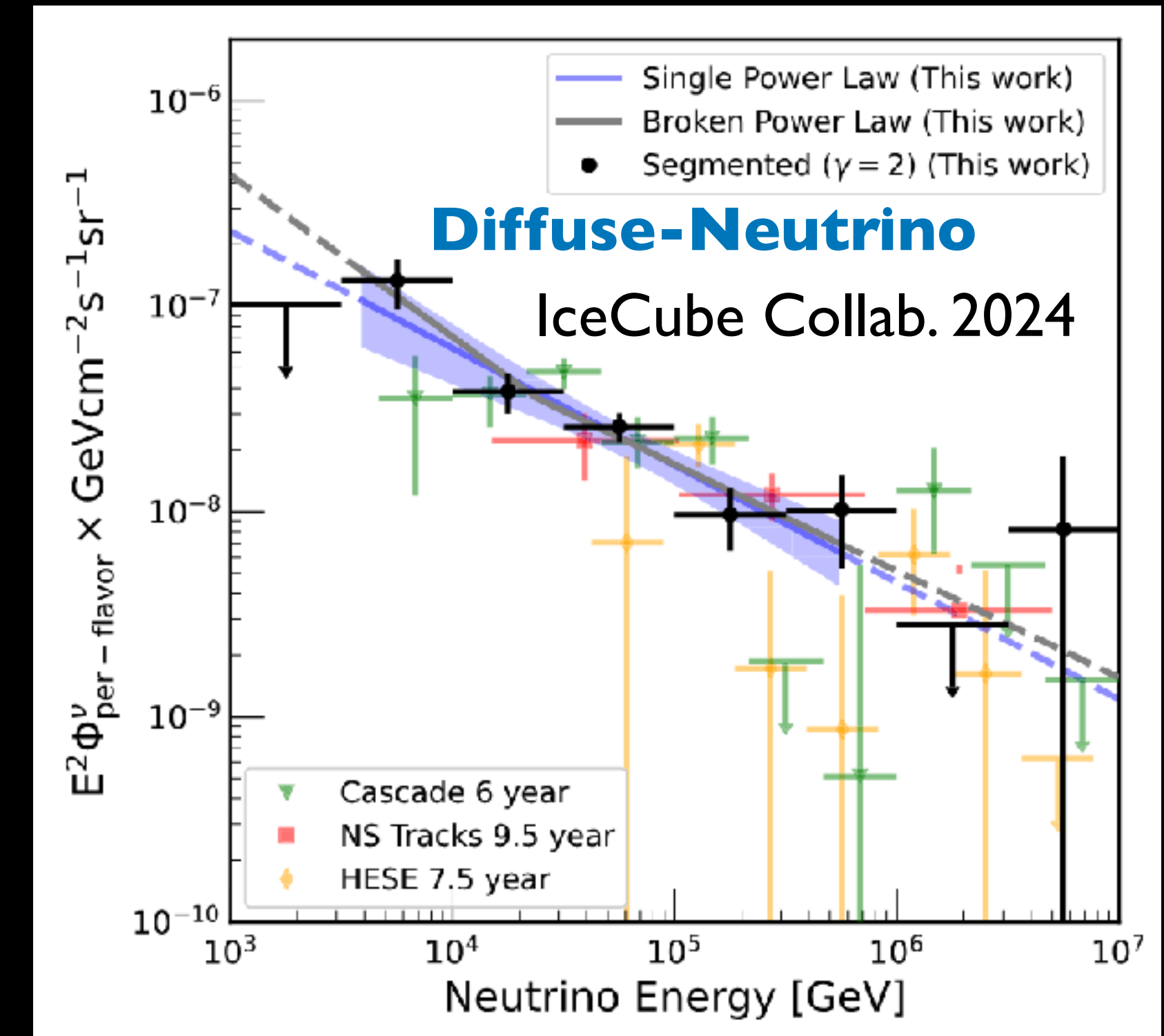
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# Possible origin of extragalactic HE neutrino

- IceCube has detected extragalactic neutrinos, but has not yet fully constraint the neutrino sources.
  - ✓ Active Galactic Nuclei (AGN)
  - ✓ Galaxy Clusters
  - ✓ Starburst Galaxies
  - ✓ Low Luminosity Gamma-Ray Bursts

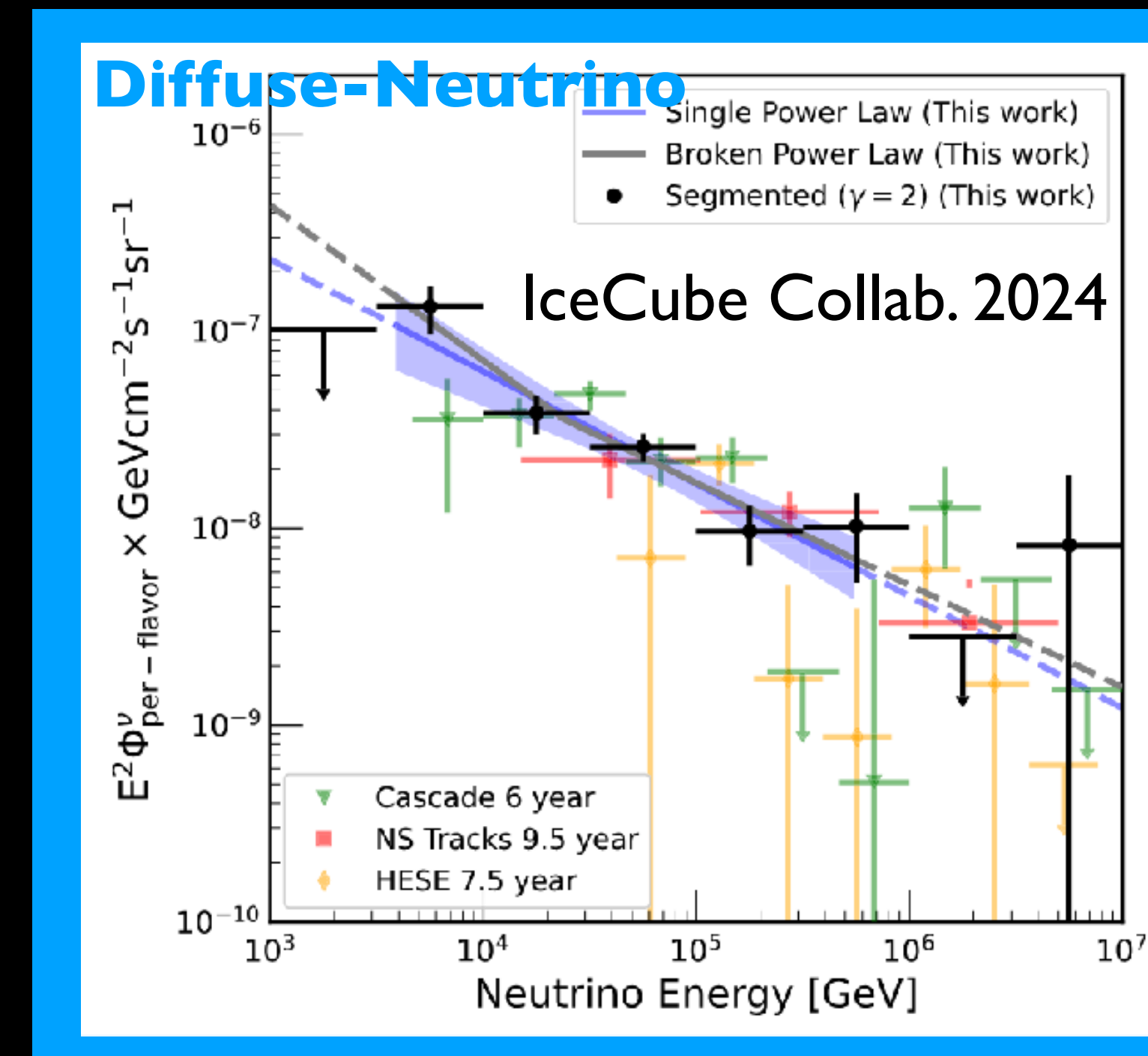




# Diffuse-Neutrino SED

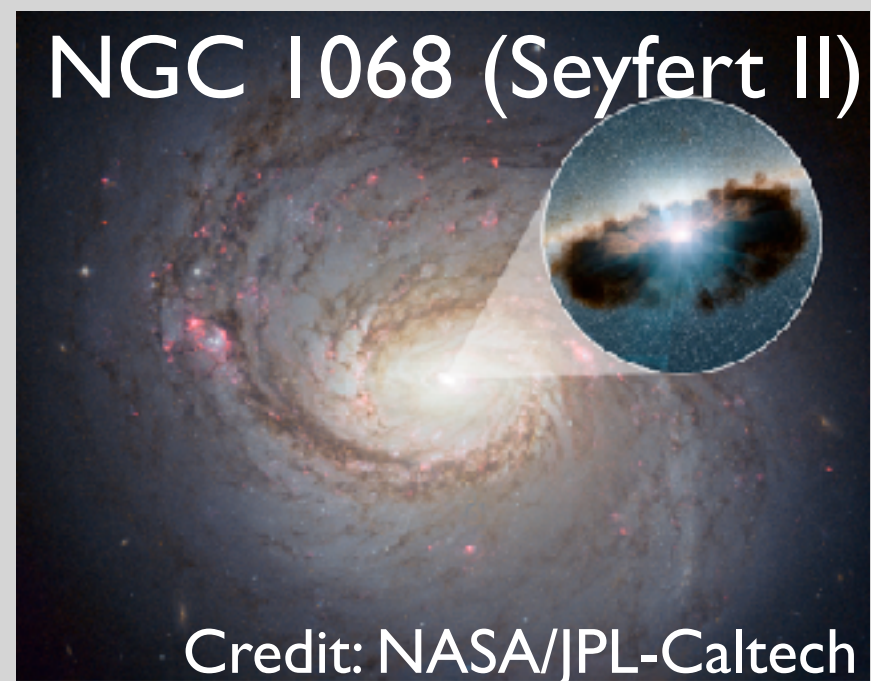
- **Diffuse neutrino:** moderately flat (power-law index  $\sim 2.64$ ) SEDs (e.g., IceCube Collab. 2024)
- A neutrino hotspot NGC 1068 detected by a decadal survey: steep (power law index  $\sim 3$ ) SED (e.g., IceCube Collab. 2022)
  - Various types of neutrino SED may exist
- Models for neutrino emission in AGNs
  - ✓ (Radiatively Inefficient) Accretion Flows (e.g., Kimura + 2015)
  - ✓ Disk-Corona (Inoue Y. + 2020, Murase + 2020, Kimura + 2022)
  - ✓ Disk-Wind (Inoue S. 2022)
  - ✓ Weak Jet (Fang+2023)

**We consider radiatively inefficient accretion flow model for low-luminosity AGN, in this work.**

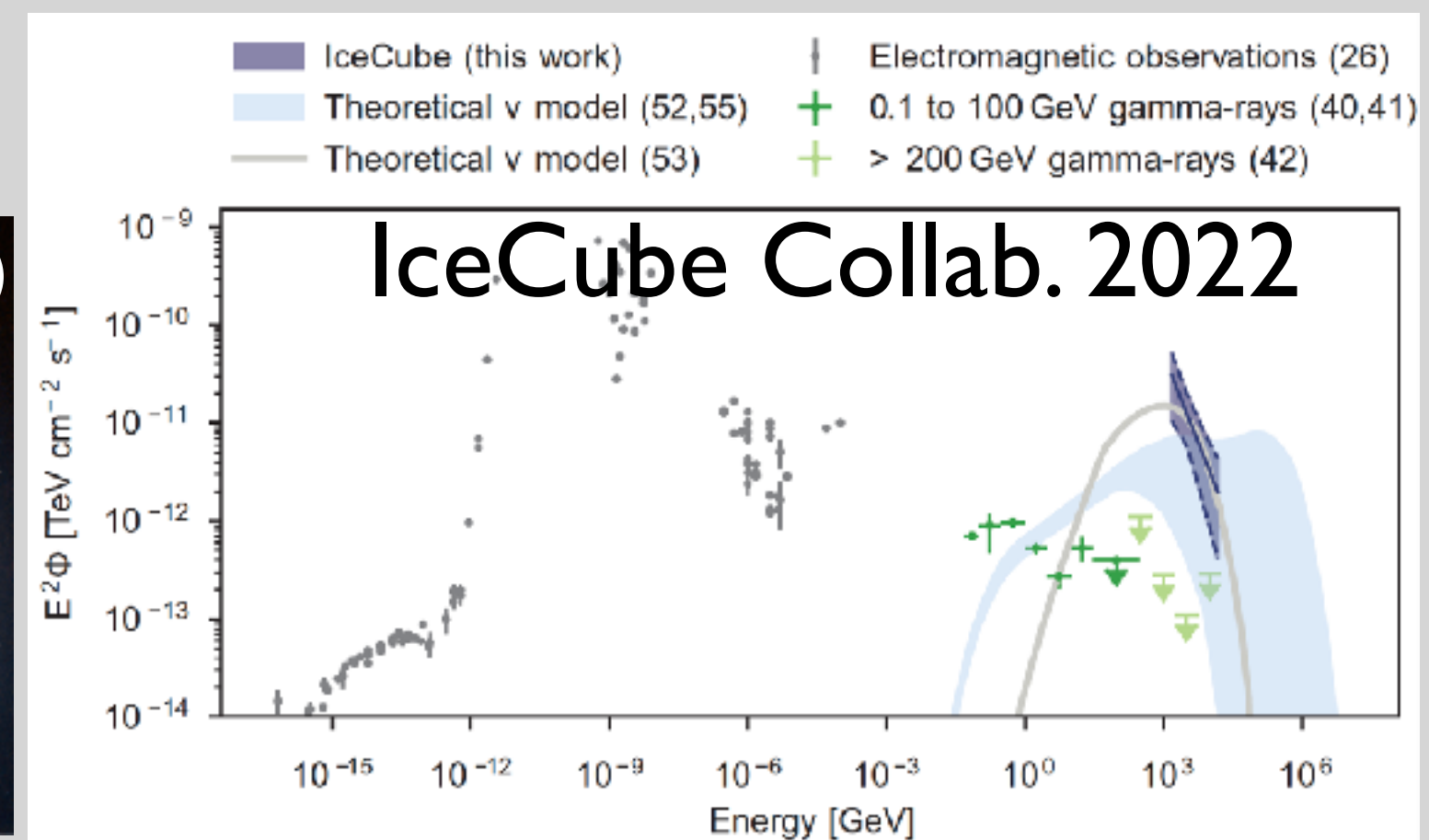


c.f.  
neutrino hotspot

NGC 1068 (Seyfert II)



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# Purpose of This Work

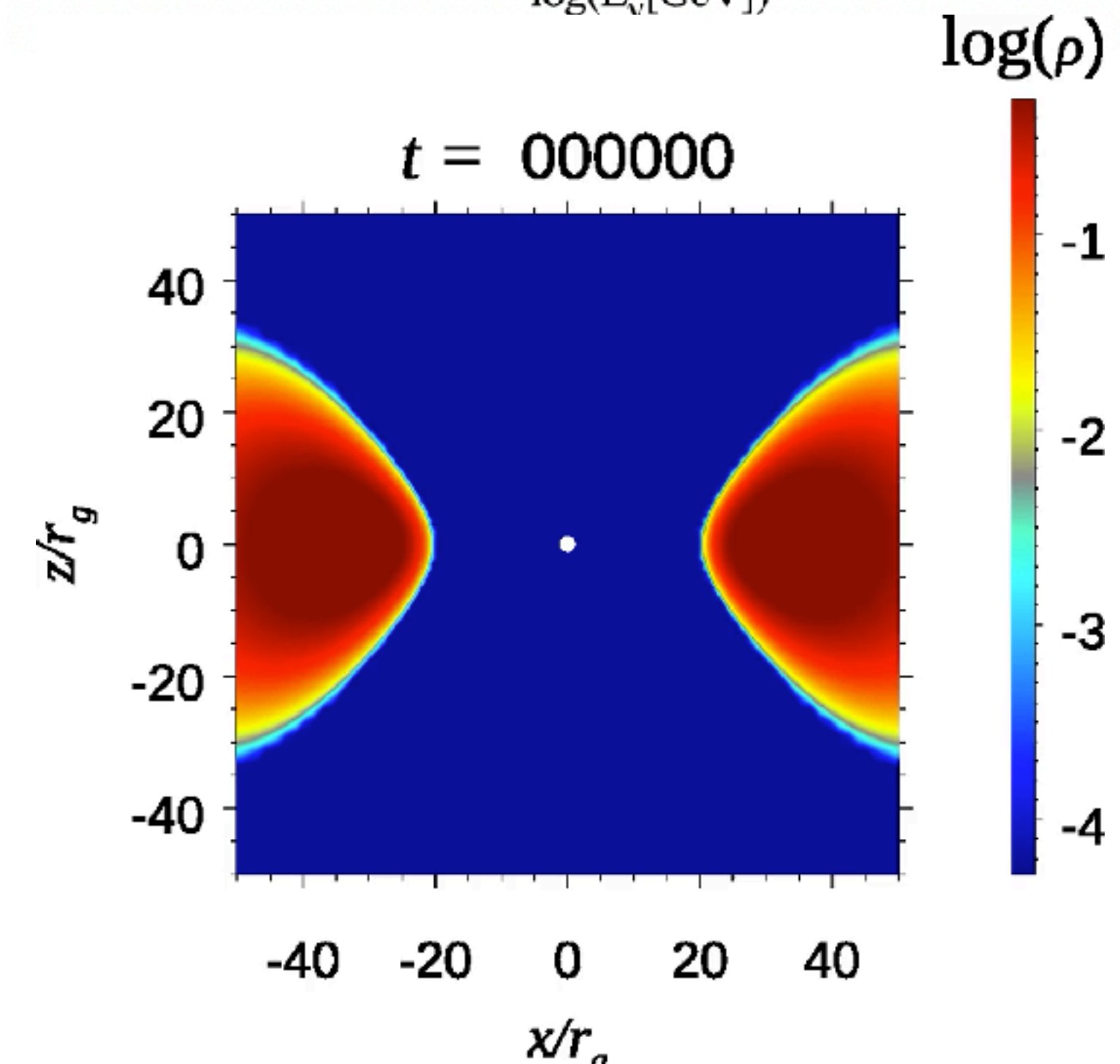
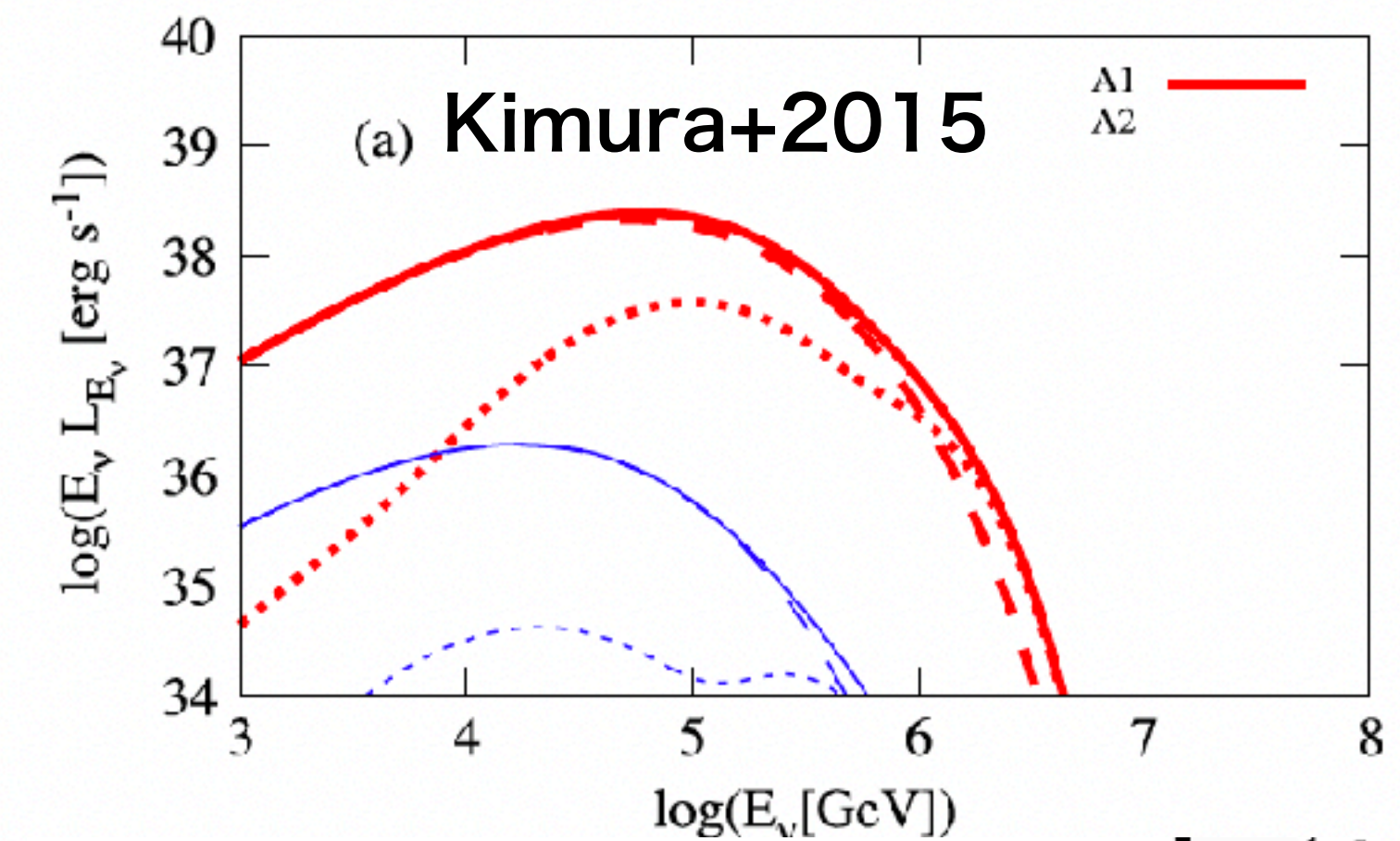
- There exists a pioneering work on neutrino emission in accretion flows ( e.g., Kimura+2015, see also Dermer+ 1996)
- However, single-zone (I-zone) approximation has been adopted in all of previous works.

Q: How does the global structure of the accretion flows affect the neutrino SEDs ?

Purpose of this work :

Studying the global effect of accretion flow on HE neutrino SEDs considering CR acceleration (via kinetic scale turbulences) and neutrino emission via pp collisions.

← 3D general relativistic MHD (GRMHD) simulations of accretion flows + CR acceleration & neutrino emission computation [a new code *v*-RAIKOU (*v*-来光) code]



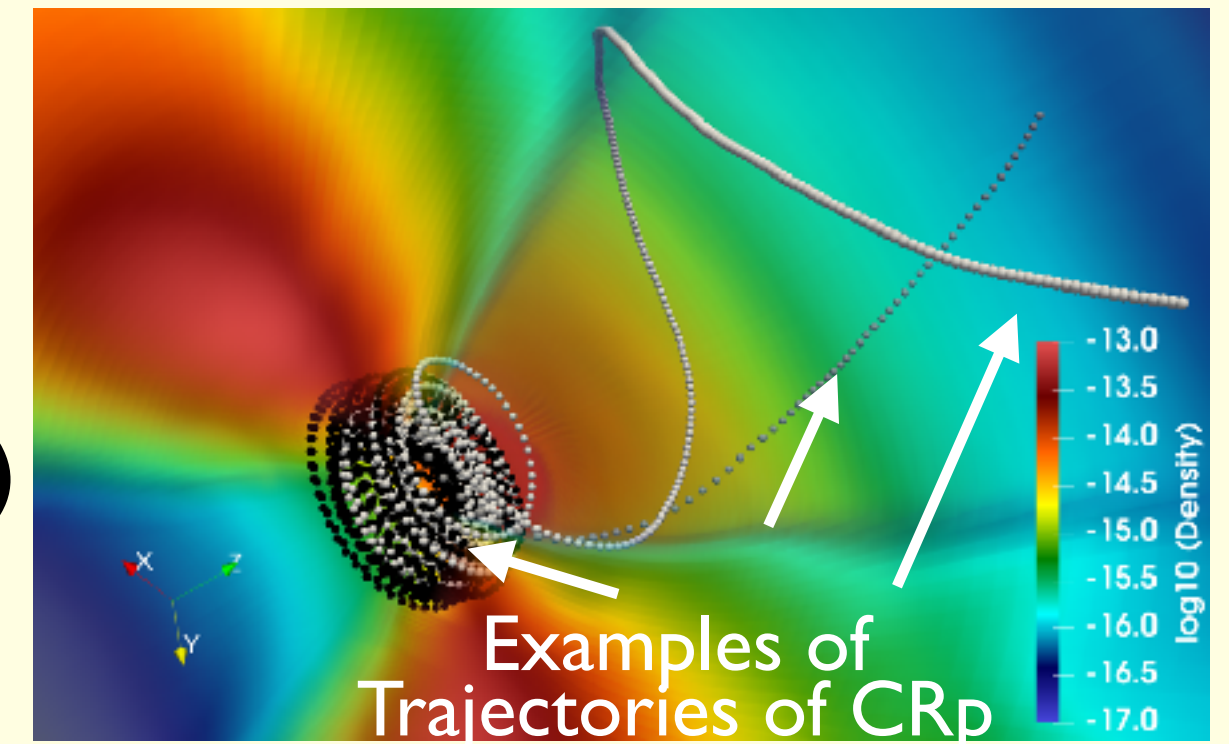
c.f. odríguez-Ramírez + (2019): propagation of CRs and neutrino emission using GRMHD simulation



# Computation Method ( $M_{\text{BH}} = 10^8 M_{\odot}$ , $\dot{M} = 10^{-2} L_{\text{Edd}}/c^2$ )

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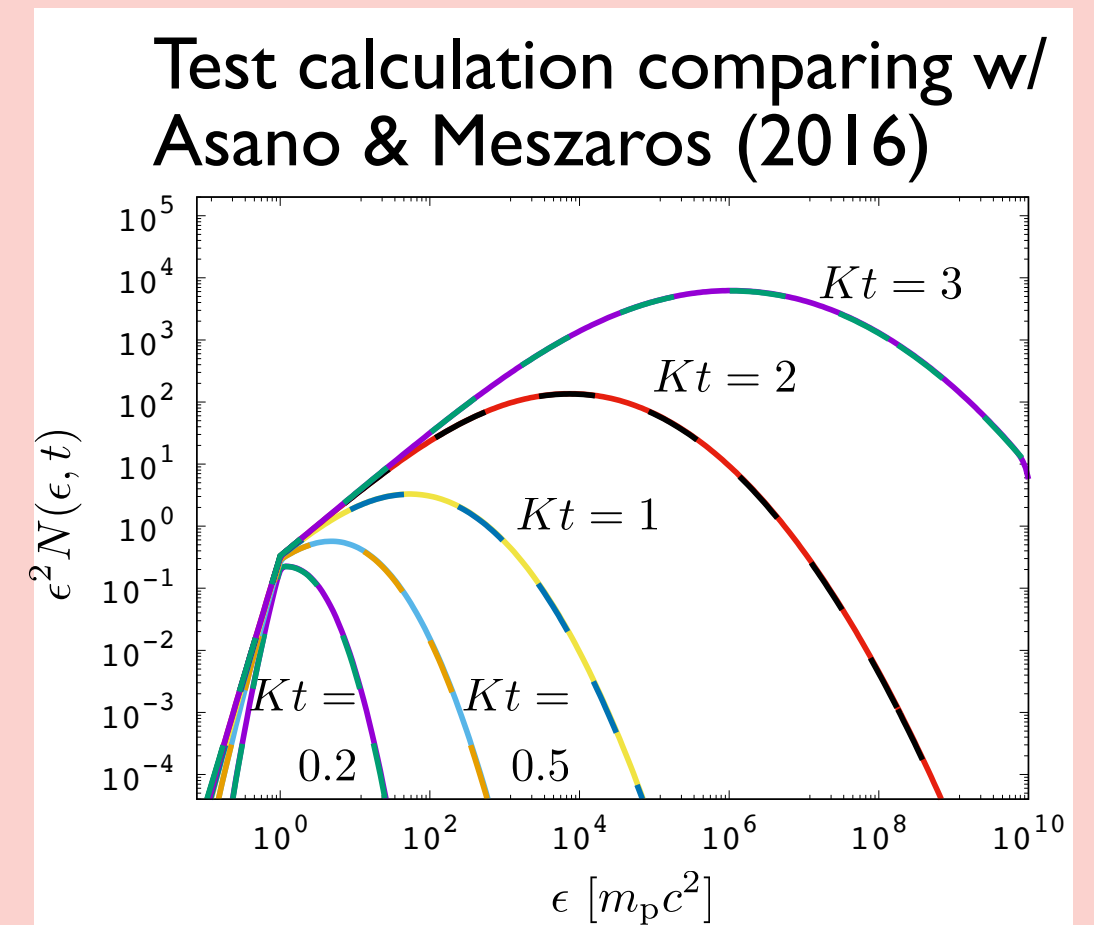
## (3) Computation of Neutrino SED

- **$pp$  collisions** of tracer particle of CRps with thermal protons of GRMHD simulation data.
- Gravitational redshift are taken into consideration

- (1)-(3) are computed with using time-evolved snapshots of simulation data.
- Finally, **Time-averaged** neutrino SEDs are computed

## (2) Computation of SED of CRp

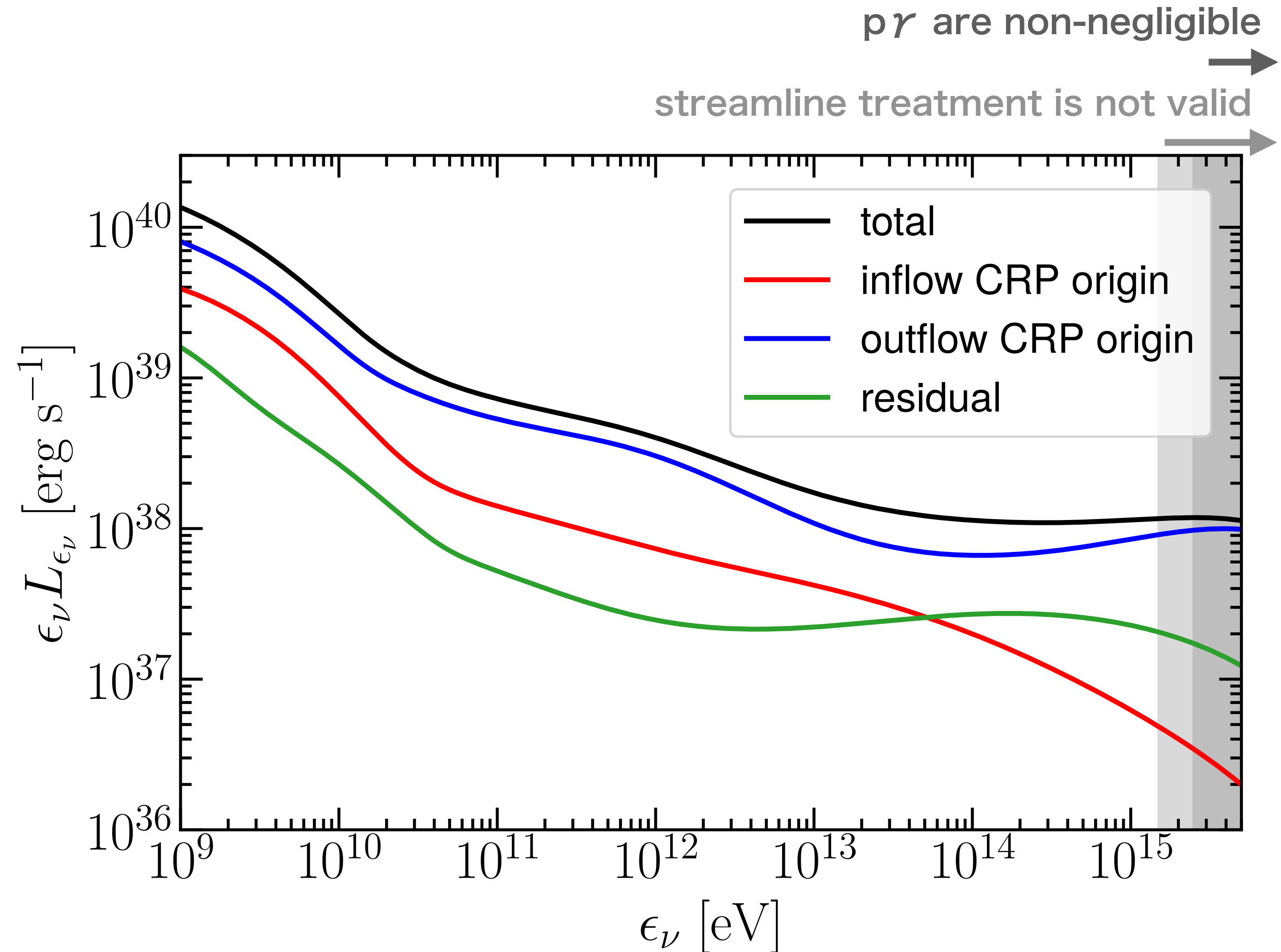
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- Number of Energy Bin: 5600
- **Turbulent Acceleration** w/hard sphere approximation ( $D(\varepsilon) = K\varepsilon^2$ ).
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# Time-Averaged Neutrino SEDs

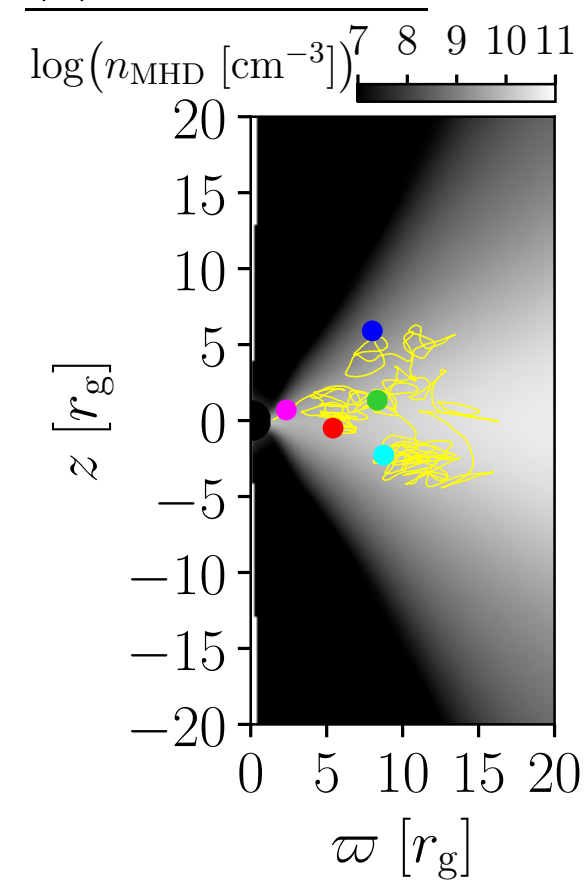
- **SEDs flatter than I-zone models appear**
- Neutrino SEDs decomposed into origin of CRps in **inflow**, **outflow**, (**residual**)
- Neutrinos originated from **(finally)-outflow-CRp**  $\gtrsim$  **inflow-CRp**.



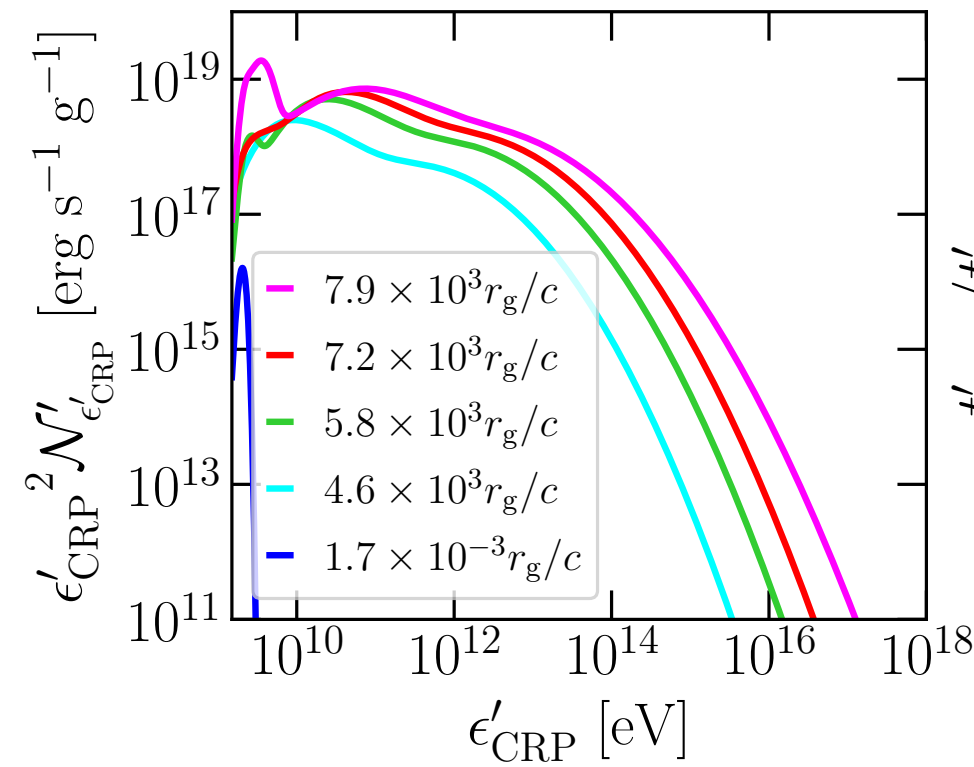


# CRp trajectory & timescale

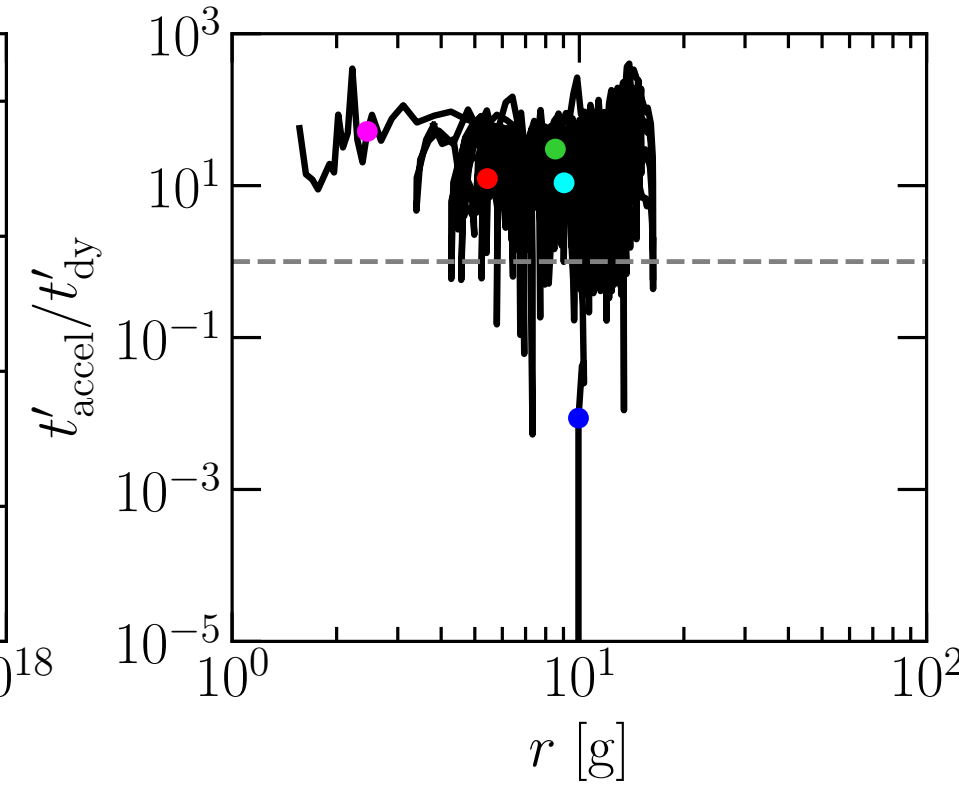
(a) Inflow CRP



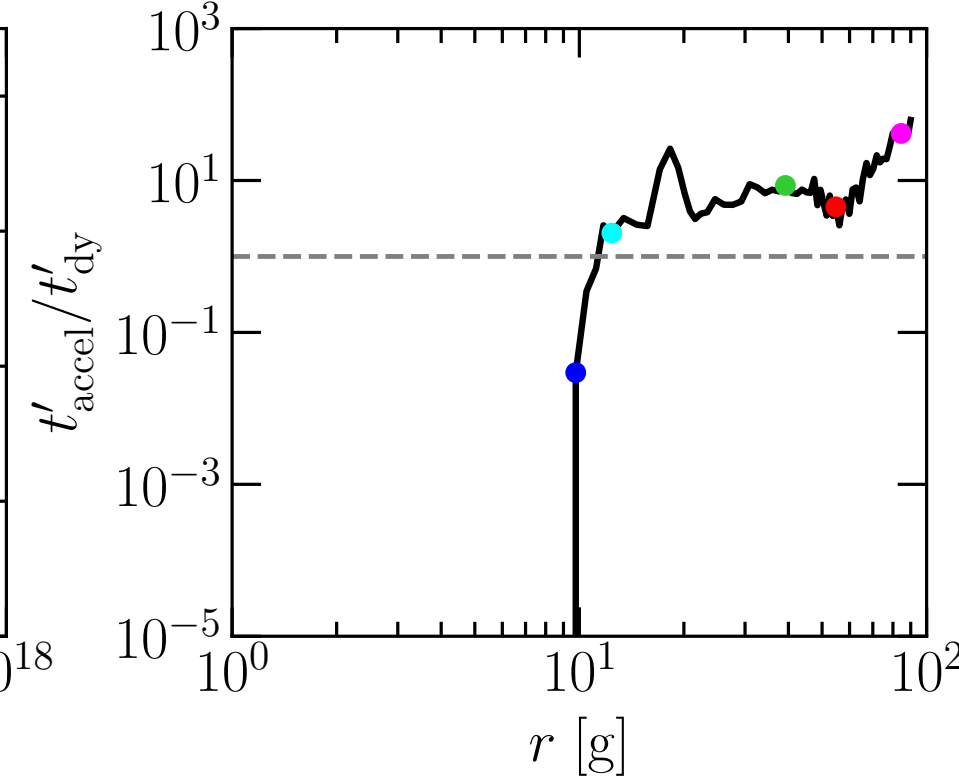
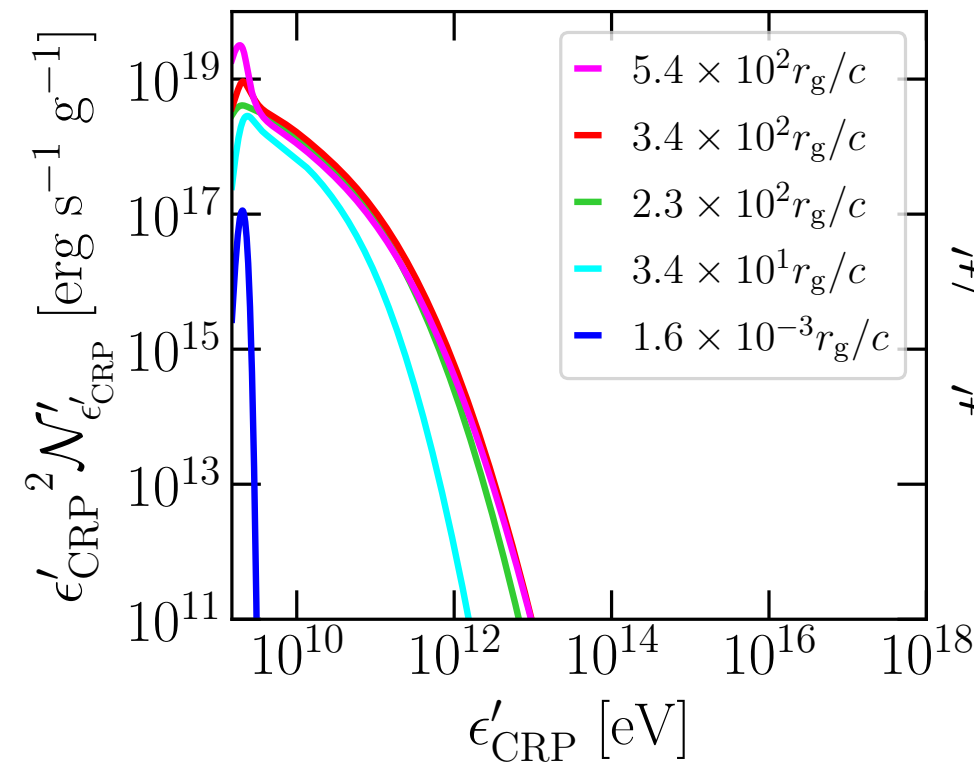
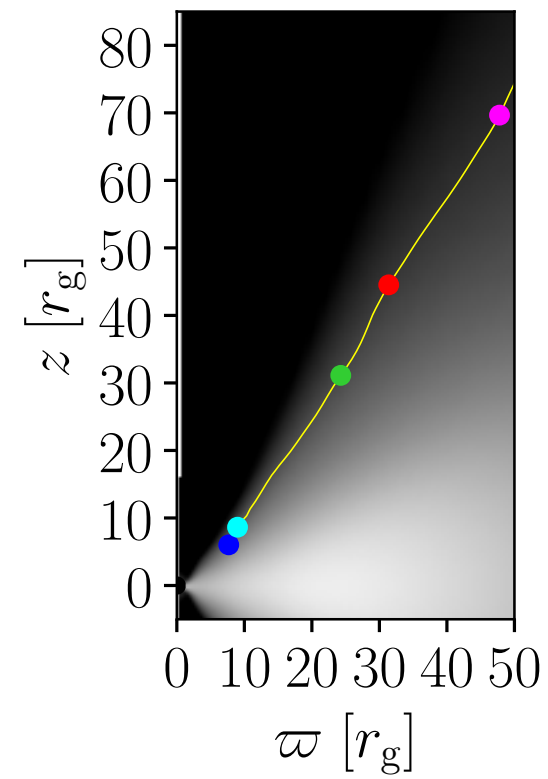
CRp SED



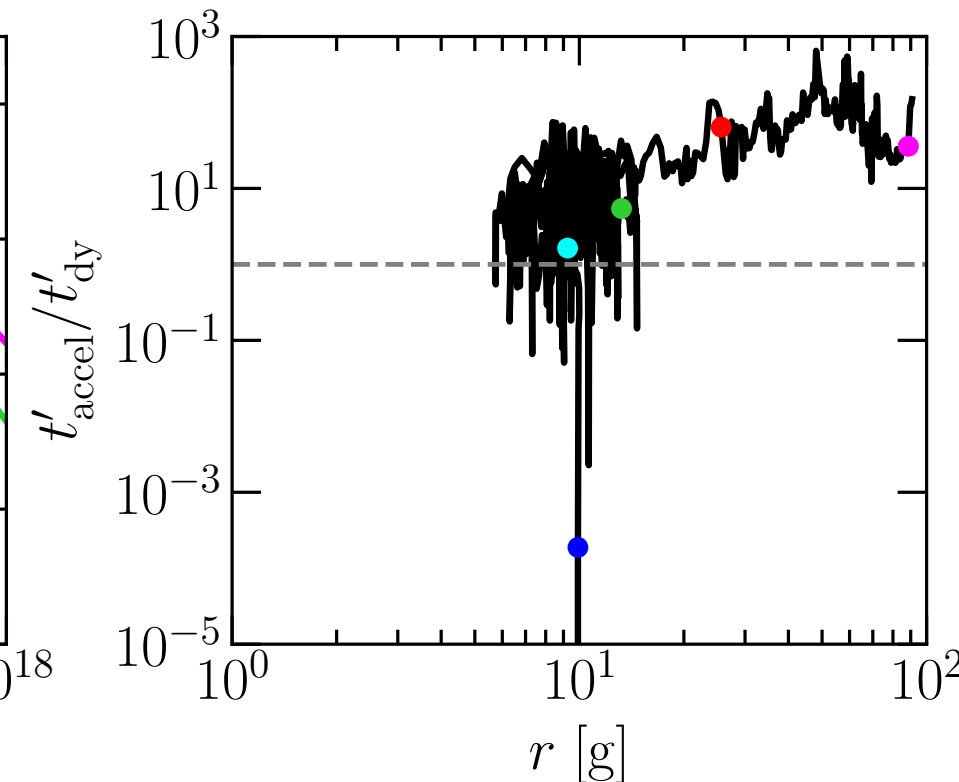
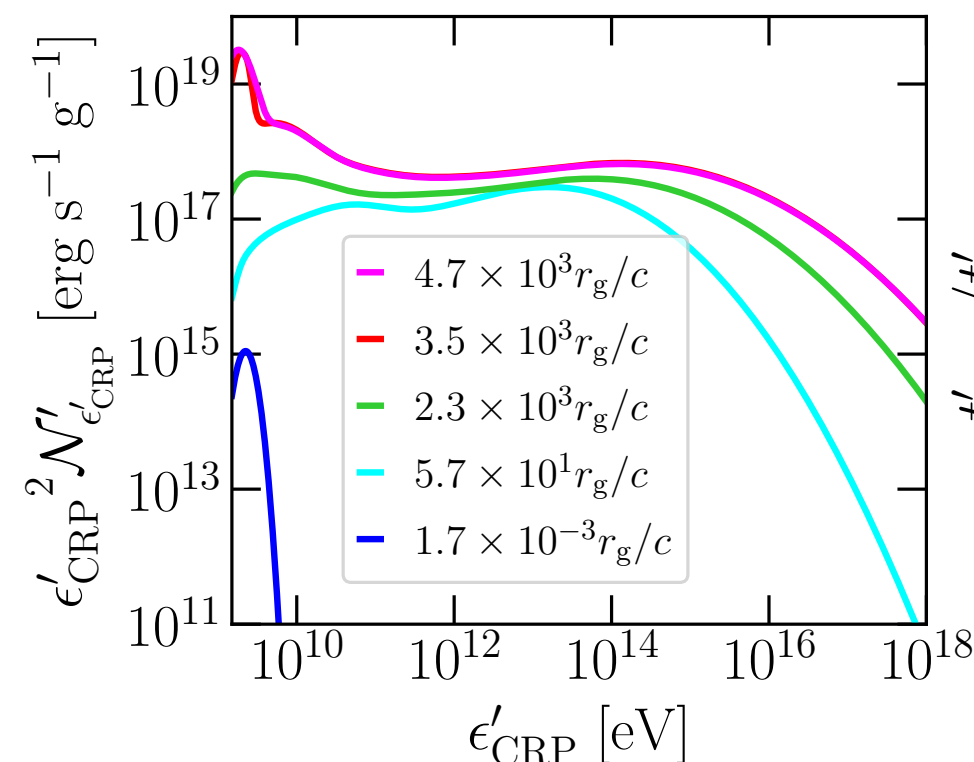
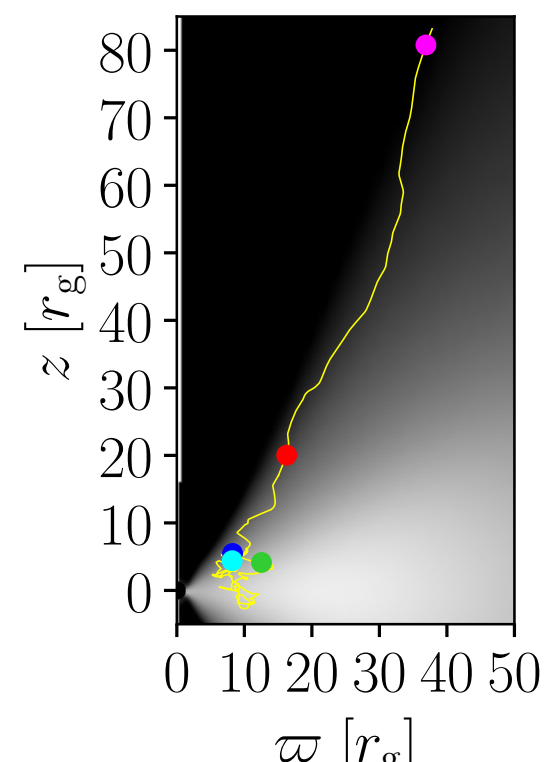
Acc. Timescale



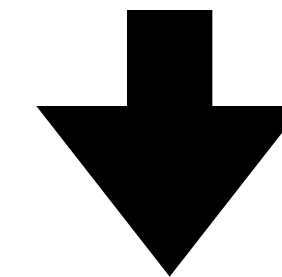
(b) Outflow CRP



(c) Outflow CRP (It was inflowing in early phase)



- CRp-SEDs depend on the position and trajectories.
- Summation of various CRp



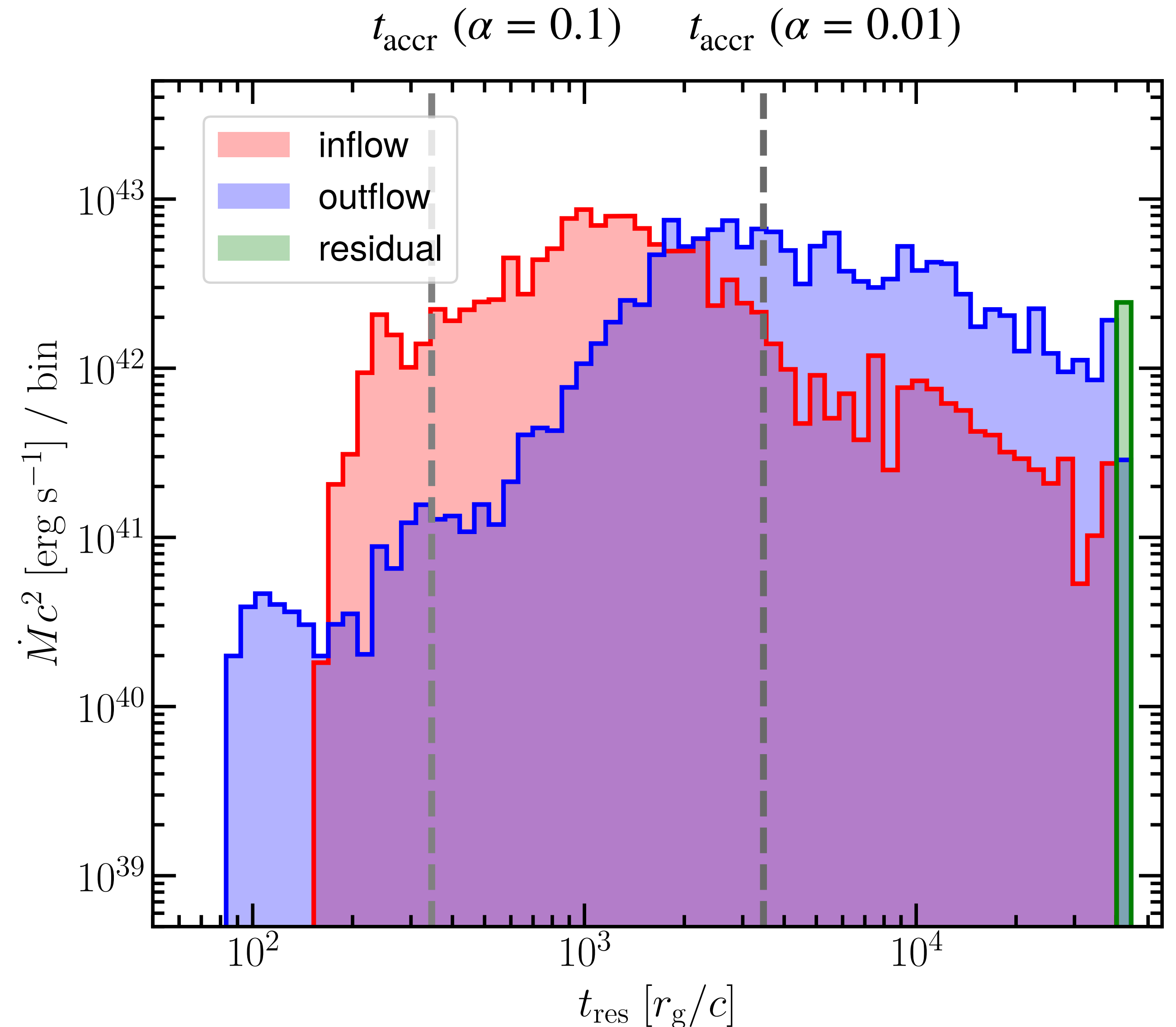
**SEDs are flatter in our global models**



# Escape timescale from the simulation region

- Accretion timescale agrees well with the escape (swallowed by BH) timescale of inflowing CRps.
- bimodal distribution of Outflowing CRp.

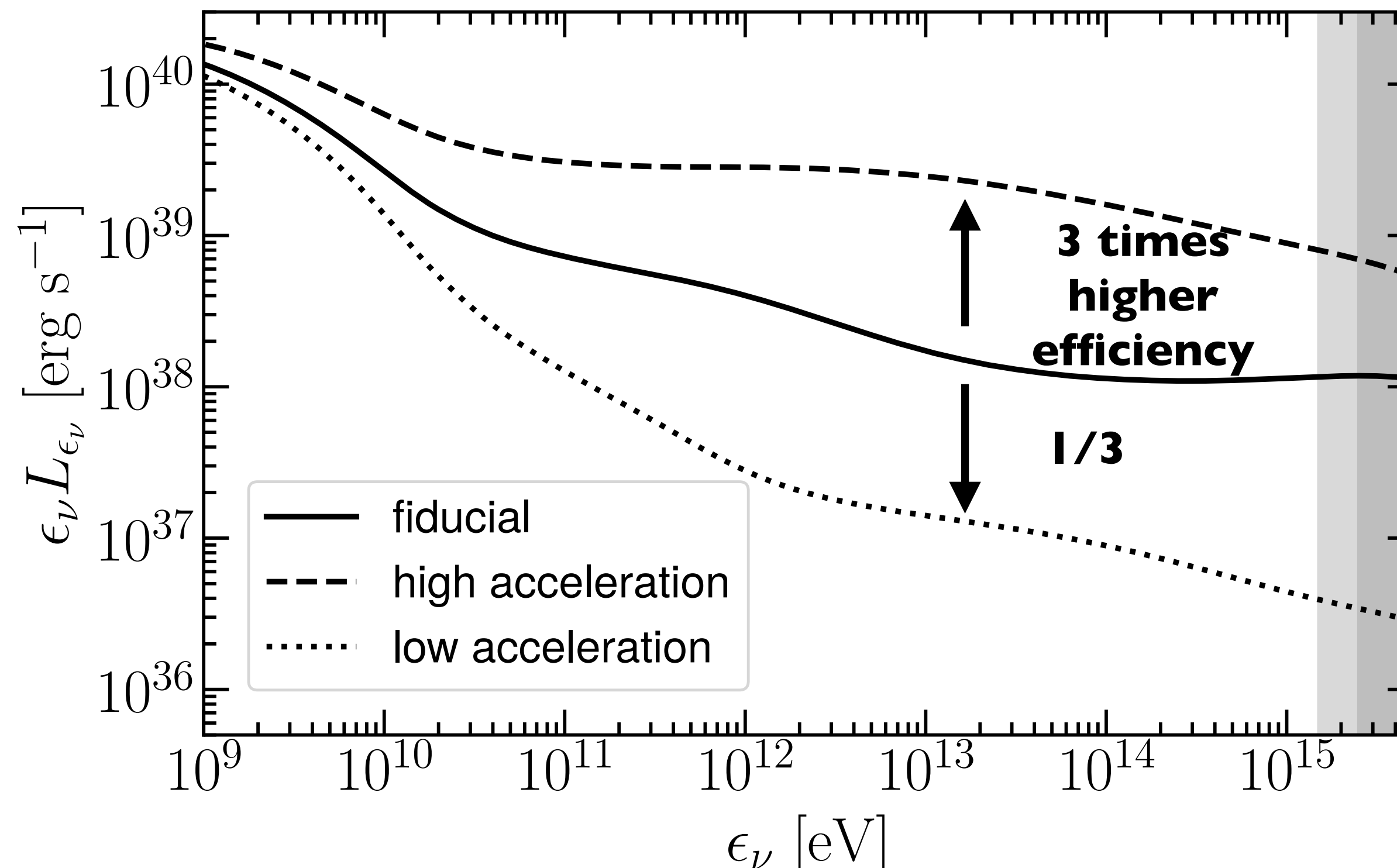
Due to the longer stay of Outflow CRP in the simulation domain, the acceleration works well.  
→ hard SED!



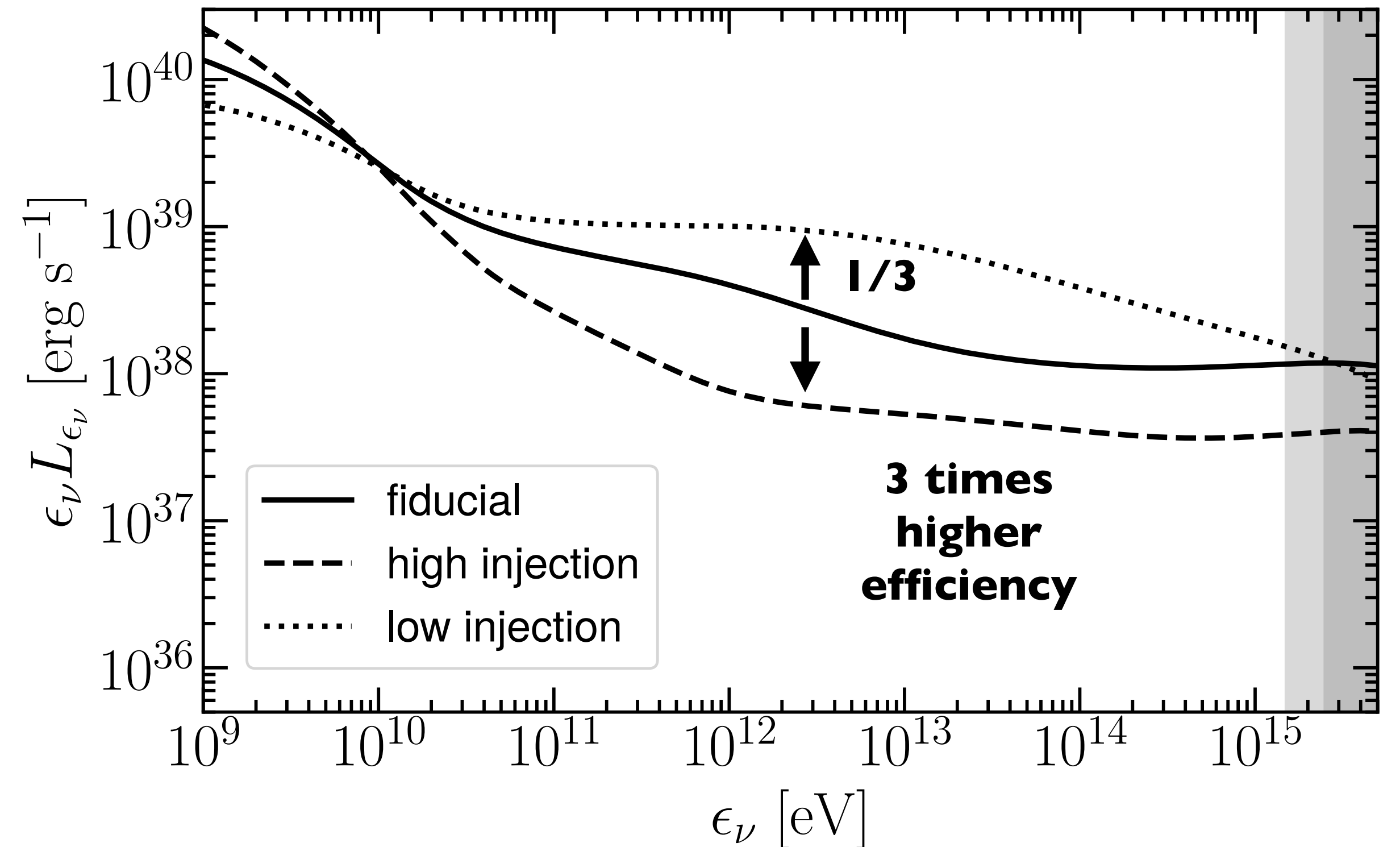


# Dependence on the Acceleration/Injection Coefficients

## Acceleration



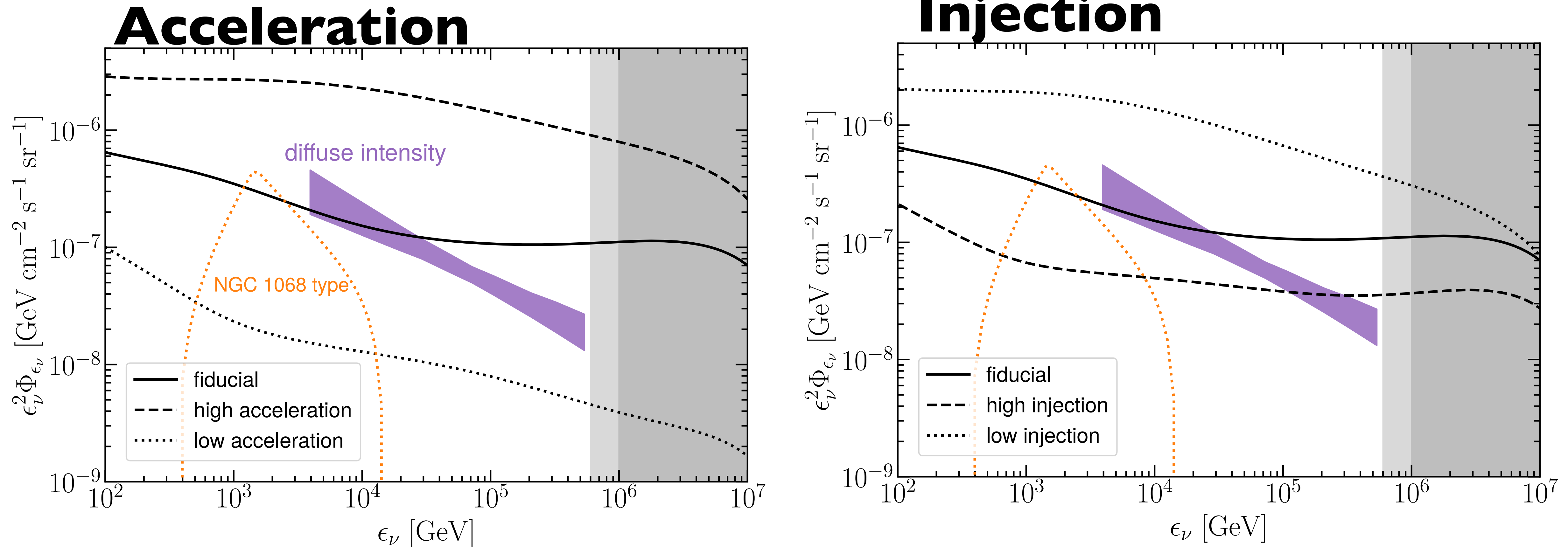
## Injection



- Higher acceleration efficiency → harder neutrino SED
- Higher injection rate → softer neutrino SED. ( $\because$  acceleration rate  $\propto$  CR energy )



# Comparison w/ IceCube Diffuse Neutrino Fluxes



- We integrated the neutrino SEDs assuming the luminosity function of Ho + (2008) w/ assuming  $\epsilon L_\epsilon \propto \dot{M}^2$
- Magnitudes of diffuse neutrinos are consistent w/ observed SED.
- Combination w/ Seyfert (NGC1068 type) may be required.

# Summary

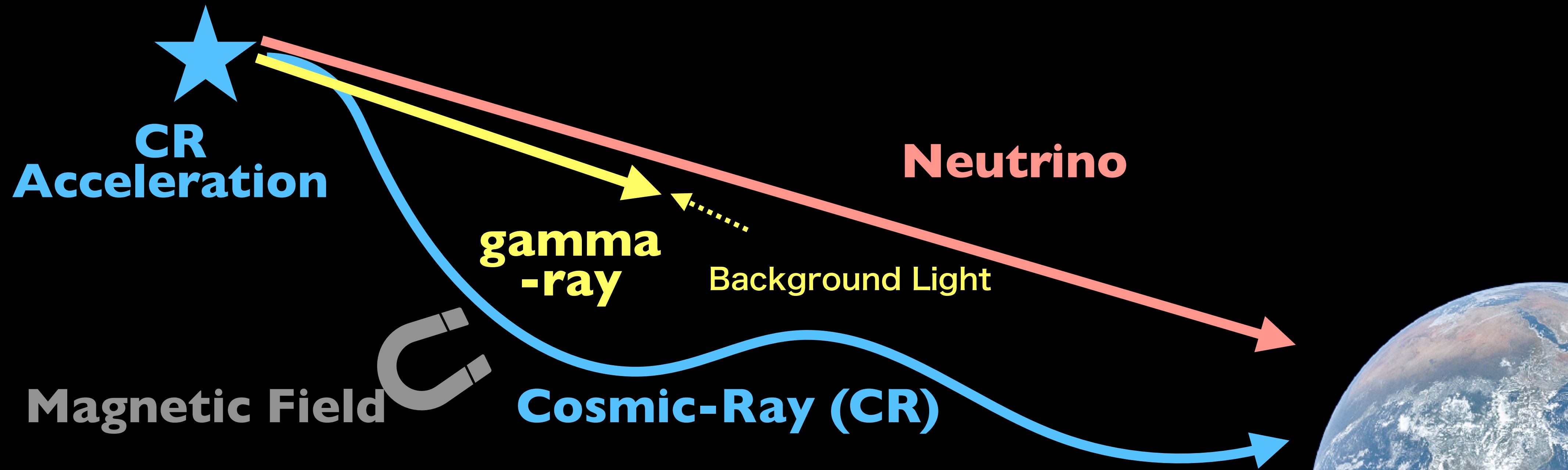
- The first attempt to compute CRp acceleration & Neutrino emission of global accretion flows based on 3D GRMHD simulation data.
- Due to the global effect (superposition of various injection of acceleration of CRp), the flatter SEDs appear in our model.
- The neutrino emission, which originated from outflowing-CRp accelerated in inflow, predominate the SEDs.
- More code development (incl., e.g., p- $\gamma$  processes) will be addressed in near future.



**Backup Slides**

# Why Are High Energy (HE) Neutrinos Important?

- Mystery of acceleration mechanism/site of high-energy cosmic rays (CRs)
- Smoking gun of CR acceleration, because...  
( $p + p$  and/or  $p + \gamma \rightarrow \pi^0, \pi^\pm$ ,  $\pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma$ ,  $\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_\mu$ ,  $\mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ + \nu_e + \bar{\nu}_\mu$ )
  - ✓ Cosmic Rays : Trajectories are bent by magnetic fields
  - ✓ Gamma-Rays : Optically thick against background light ( $\gamma + \gamma \rightarrow e^+ + e^-$ )
  - ✓ Neutrino : Freely propagates towards us!



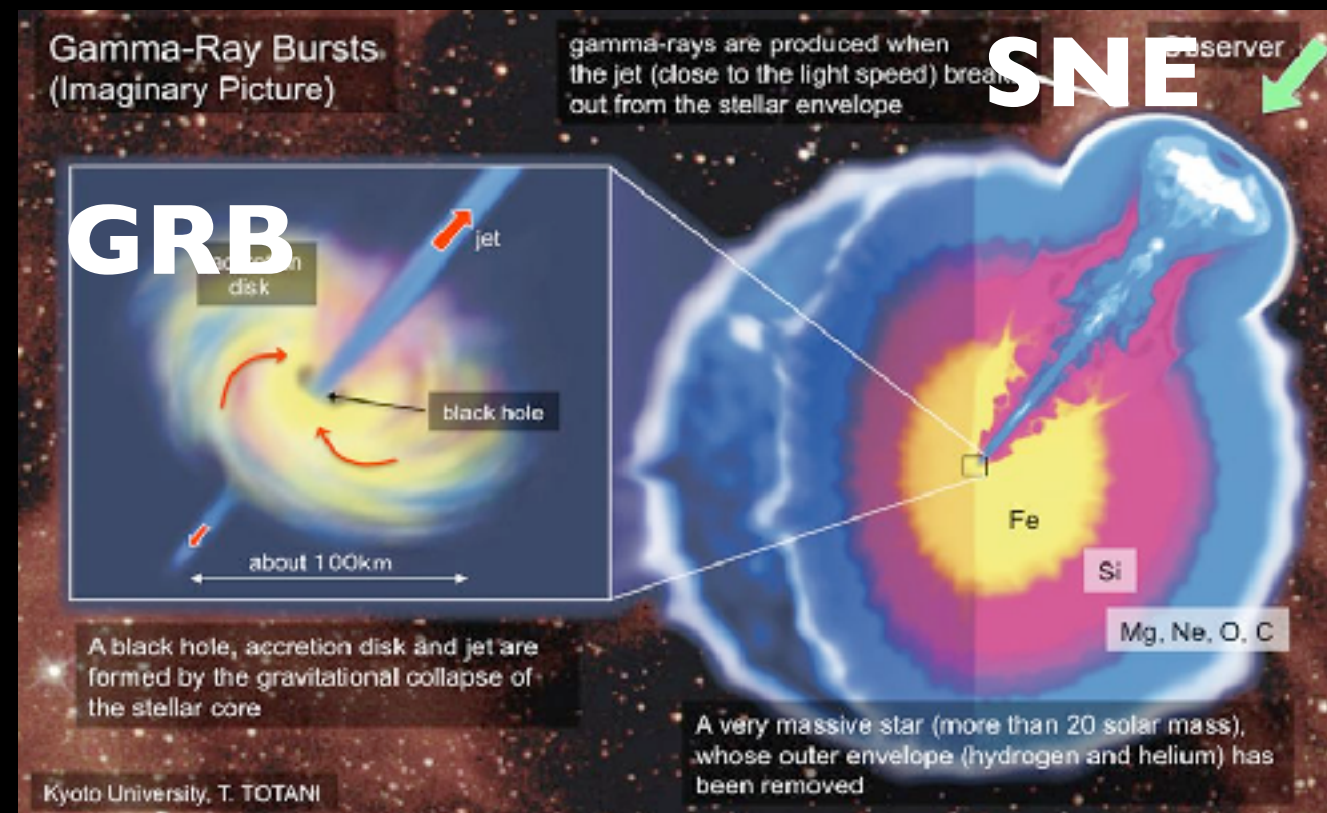


# c.f. Energy of Neutrinos

GeV-TeV

Neutrino Energy

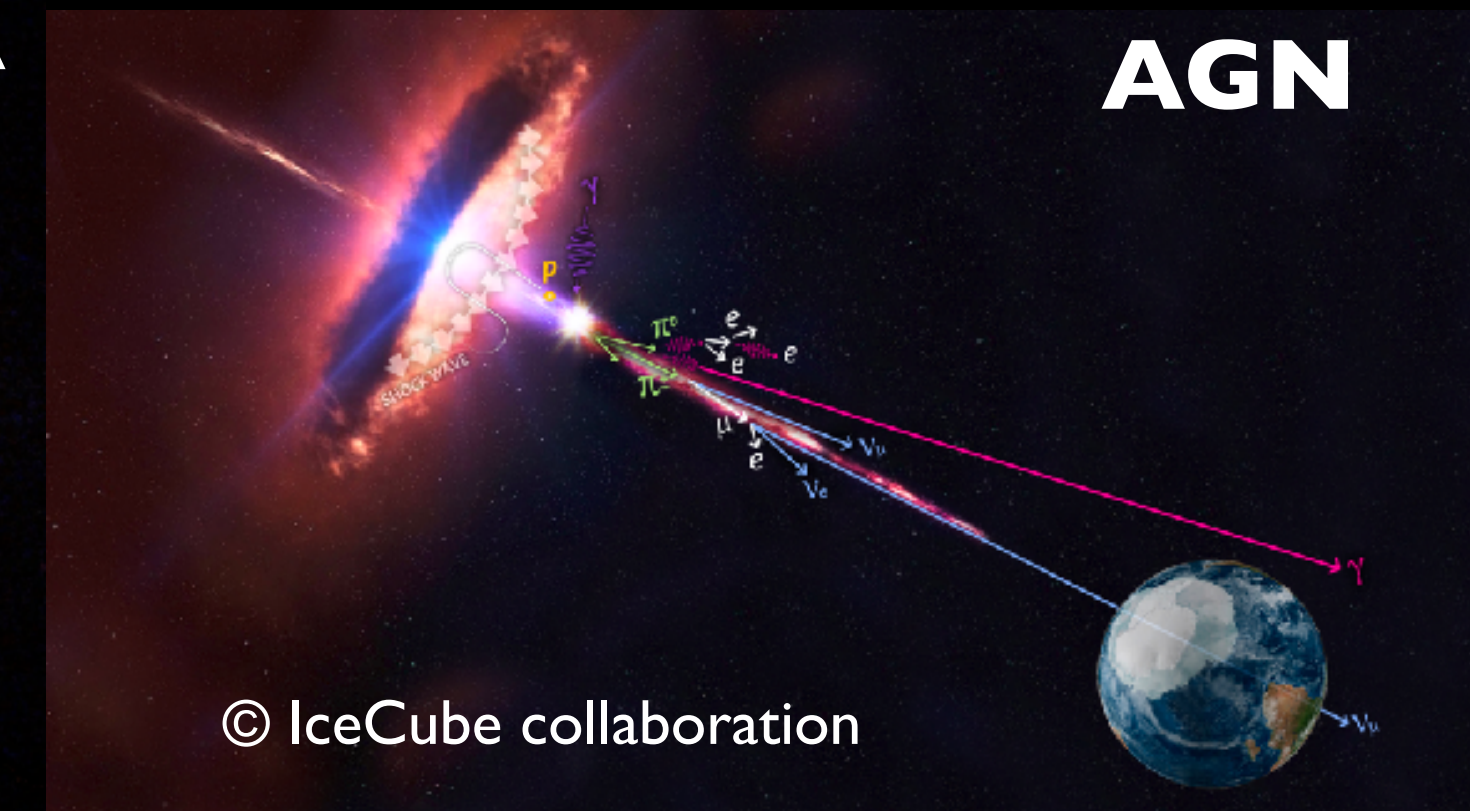
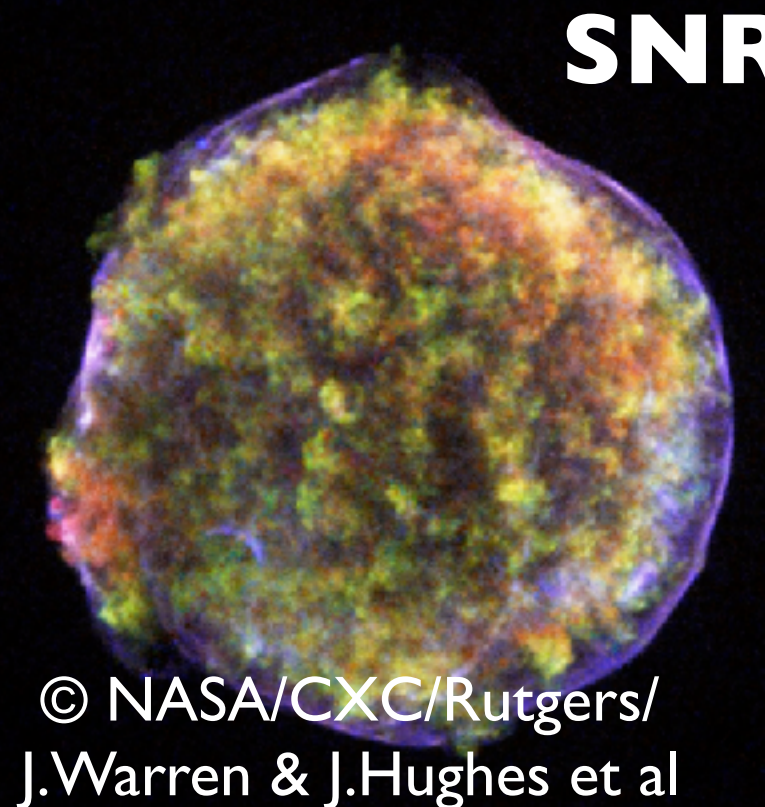
- Thermo-Nuclear Reaction ( $\sim 10\text{MeV}$ )
- High Density: Supernova Explosion, Gamma-Ray Burst (Central Engine), Stellar Interior, etc.



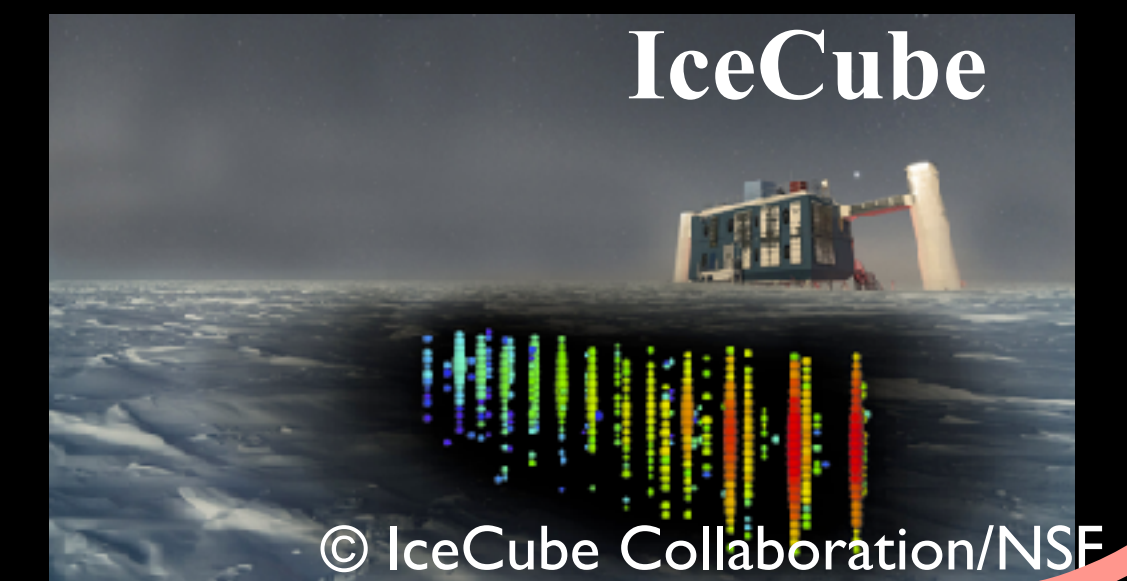
- Messenger of Stellar Interior and Governing the Dynamics of Explosions/Bursts
- Super Kamiokande, etc.



- Hadronic Processes of Cosmic Rays ( $\gtrsim \text{TeV}$ )
- Low-Density: Supernova Remnant, Active Galactic Nuclei, Jet of Low-Lum. Gamma-ray Burst, etc.



- Messenger of Cosmic-Ray Acceleration and Tests of Elementary Particle Physics
- IceCube, etc.

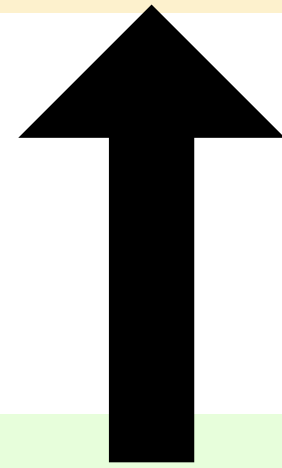




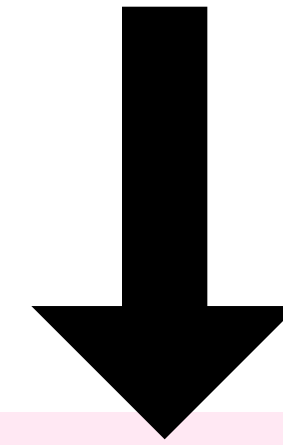
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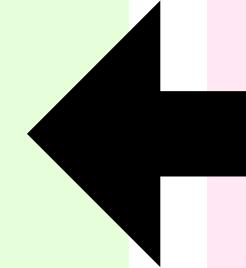


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**(3) Computation of Neutrino SED**

(*pp* collisions w/ GRMHD protons)



**(2) Computation of SED of CRPs**

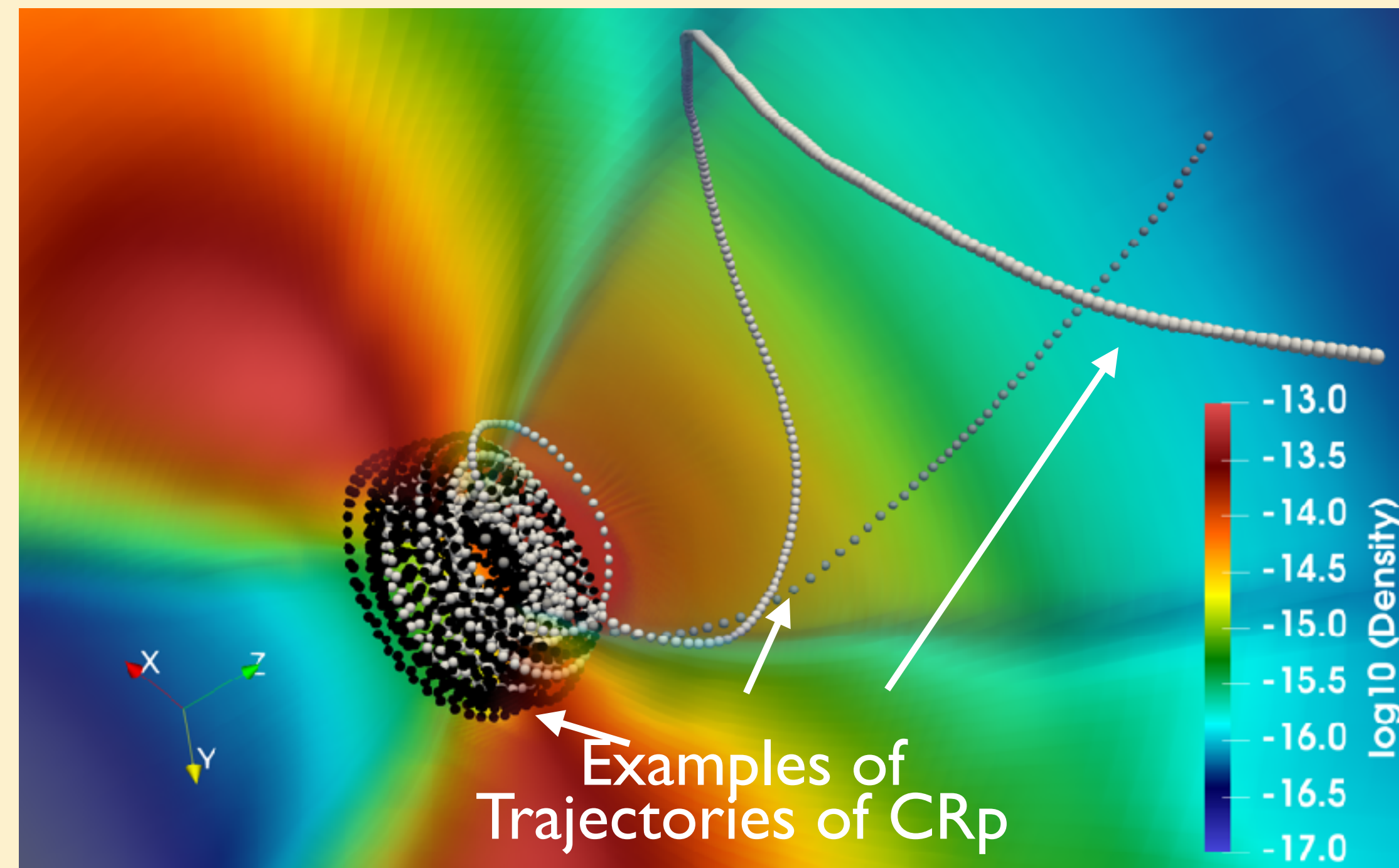
(Fokker-Planck Eqs w/ phenomenological turbulent acc.)



# Computation Method (I)

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# Computation Method (2)

## Computation of SED of CRp

- **Fokker-Planck Eqs** of tracer particle in the fluid-rest frame. (Number of Energy Bin: 5600)

- **Turbulent Acceleration** w/hard sphere approximation (  $D(\varepsilon) = K\varepsilon^2$  ).

$$K = \frac{\eta_{\text{accel}}}{4} \frac{|D\mathbf{v}/Dt'|}{|\mathbf{v}|} \frac{U'_{\text{th}}}{U'_{\text{CRP}}},$$

- Injection of CRPs which may be triggered by reconnections

$$\dot{\mathcal{N}}'_{\text{CRP}}{}^{\text{inj}}(\epsilon'_{\text{CRP}}, t') = \frac{\eta_{\text{inj}}}{m_p} \max(1, \frac{-2}{\beta}) \frac{|DB'/Dt'|}{|B'|} f_{\text{inj}}(\epsilon'_{\text{CRP}}).$$

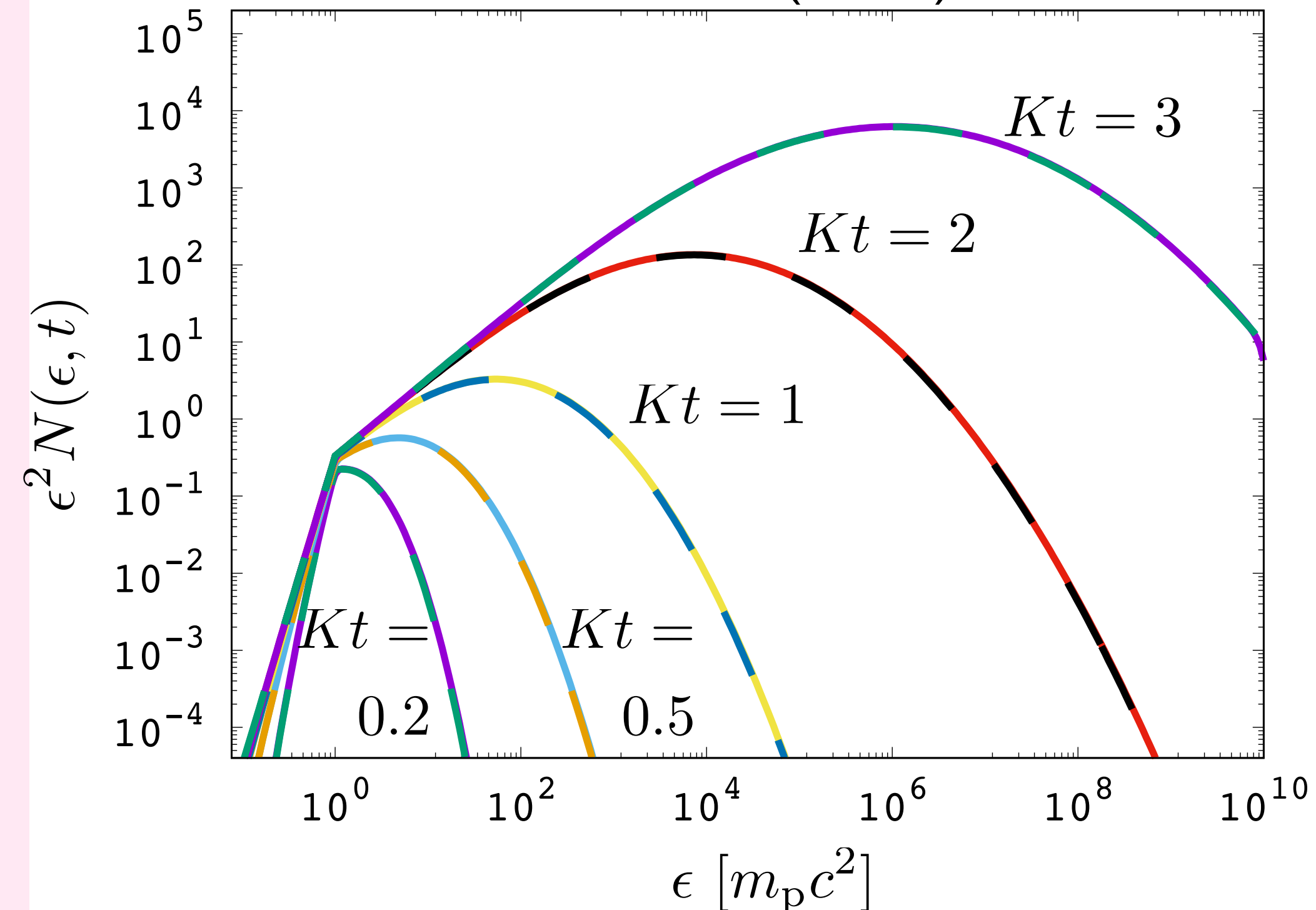
- Compression/expansions effects are also included.

$$\eta_{\text{accel}} = 3 \times 10^5, \eta_{\text{inj}} = 10^{-3}$$

for our fiducial model

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathcal{N}'_{\text{CRP}}(\epsilon'_{\text{CRP}}, t')}{\partial t'} = & \frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon'_{\text{CRP}}} \left[ D(\epsilon'_{\text{CRP}}) \frac{\partial \mathcal{N}'_{\text{CRP}}(\epsilon'_{\text{CRP}}, t')}{\partial \epsilon'_{\text{CRP}}} \right] \\ & - \frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon'_{\text{CRP}}} \left[ \frac{2D(\epsilon'_{\text{CRP}})}{\epsilon'_{\text{CRP}}} \mathcal{N}'_{\text{CRP}}(\epsilon'_{\text{CRP}}, t') \right] \\ & + \dot{\mathcal{N}}'_{\text{CRP}}{}^{\text{comp}}(\epsilon'_{\text{CRP}}, t') + \dot{\mathcal{N}}'_{\text{CRP}}{}^{\text{inj}}(\epsilon'_{\text{CRP}}, t'), \end{aligned}$$

Test calculation comparing w/  
Asano & Meszaros (2016)





# Computation Method (3)

## Computation of Neutrino SED

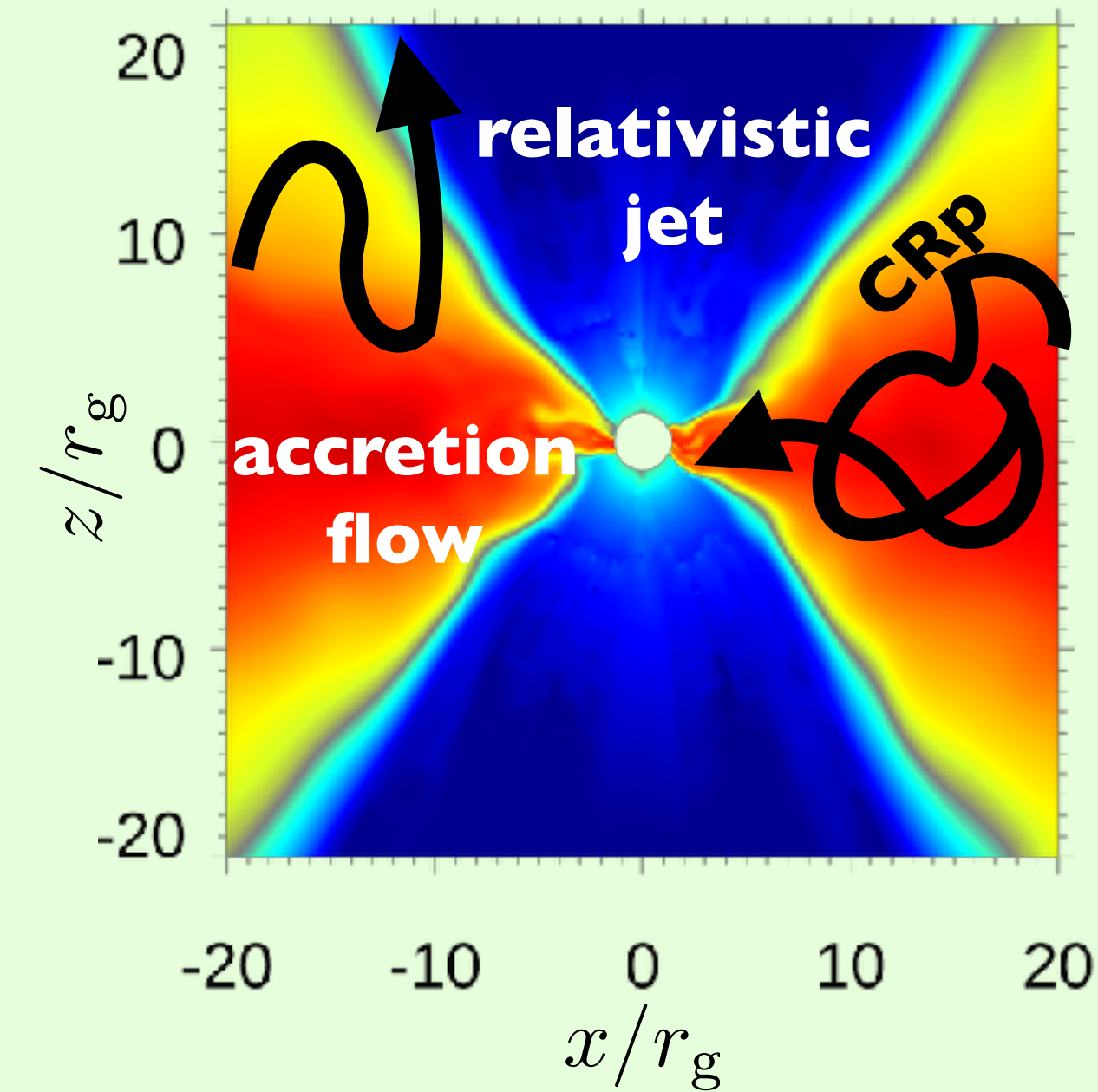
- ***pp* collisions** ( $p + p \rightarrow \pi^0, \pi^\pm, \pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma, \pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_\mu, \mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ + \nu_e + \bar{\nu}_\mu$ ) of tracer particle of CRps with thermal protons of GRMHD simulation data.
- Kelner's semi-analytic formula (Kelner + 2006) w/ pion production cross section (Kamae+ 2006, 2007).
- Gravitational redshift are taken into consideration
- Normalization by the time-averaged mass accretion rate onto BH and outflow rate:

$$\epsilon_\nu L_{\epsilon_\nu}^{(\text{inflow})} = \dot{M}_{\text{in}} \frac{\sum_{n_{\text{in}}} \int dt \epsilon_\nu \mathcal{E}_\nu^{(n_{\text{in}})}(\epsilon_\nu) w^{(n_{\text{in}})}}{\sum_{n_{\text{in}}} w^{(n_{\text{in}})}},$$

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$$\mathcal{E}'_\nu(\epsilon'_\nu)$$

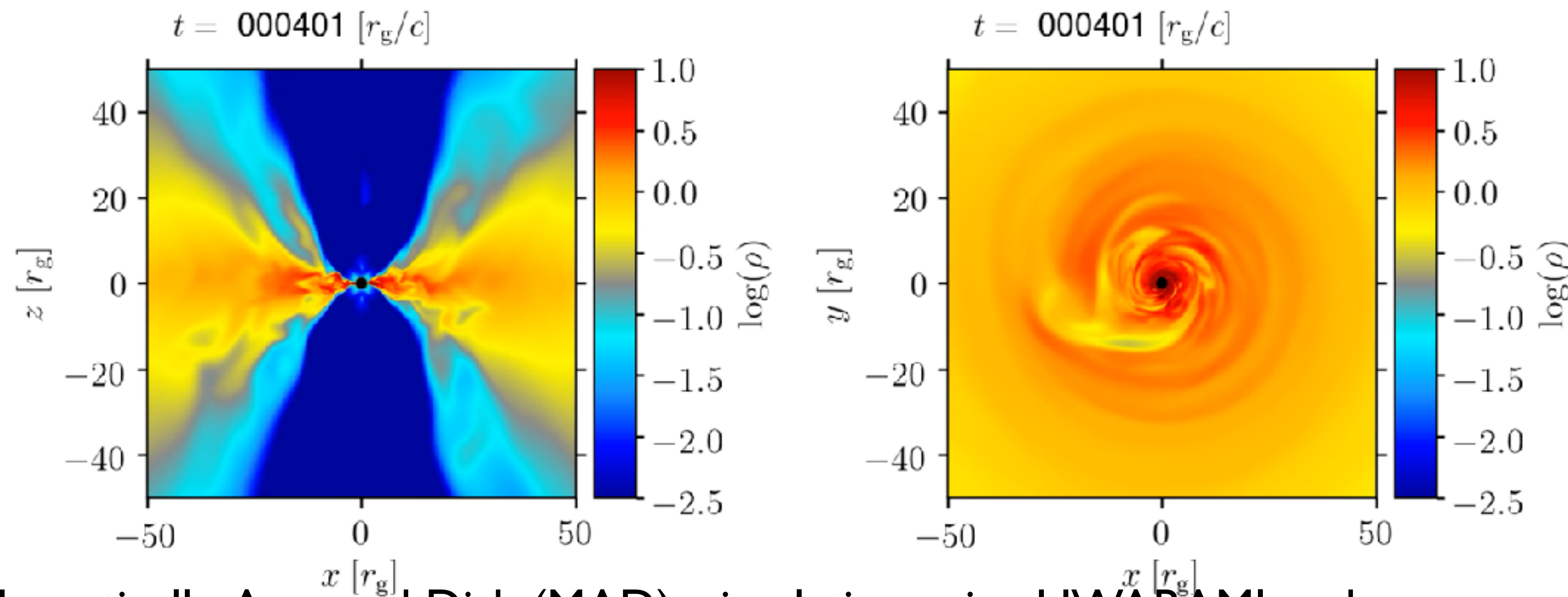
spectral neutrino emissivity per unit mass of proton



- No viewing angle dependence is considered.

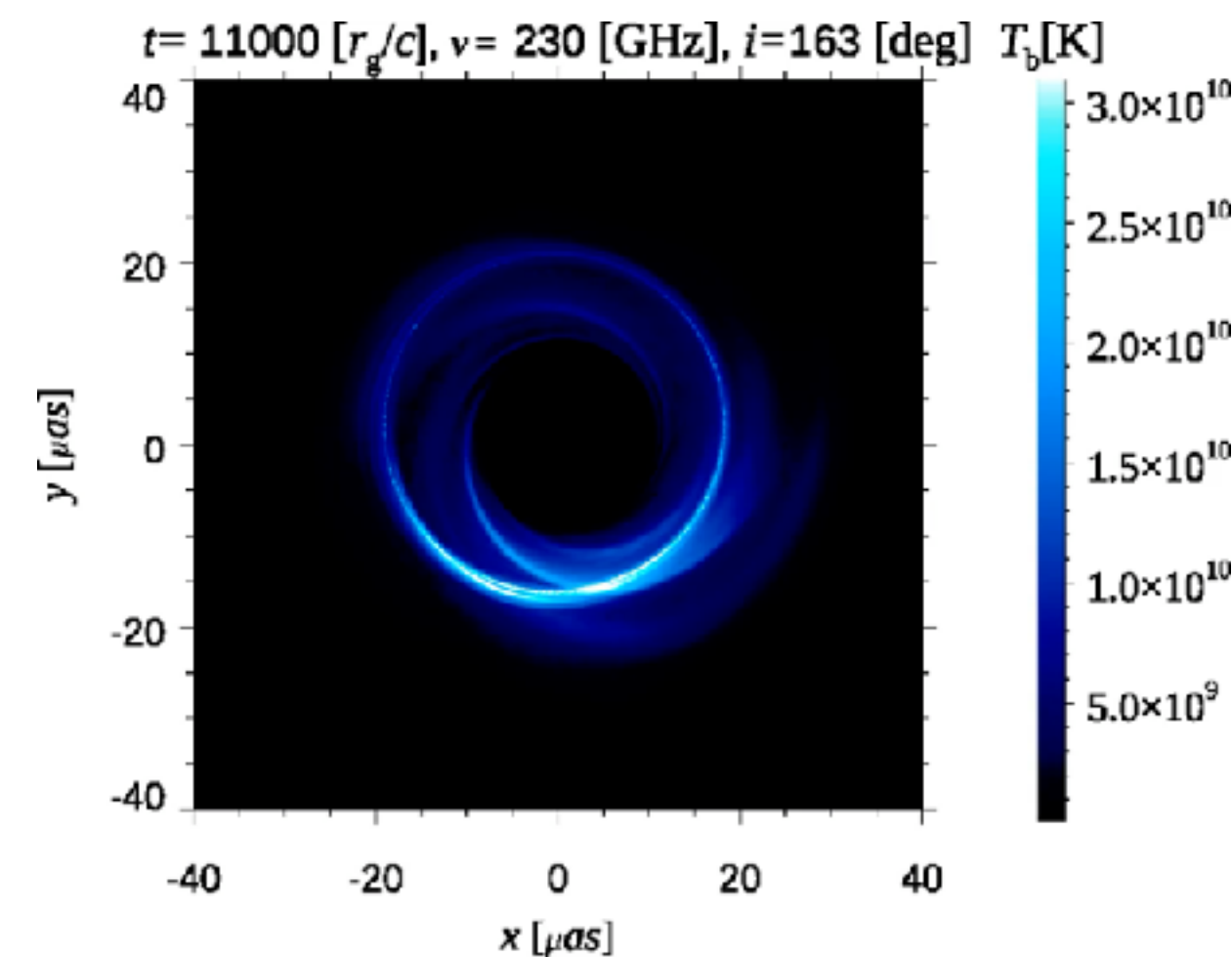
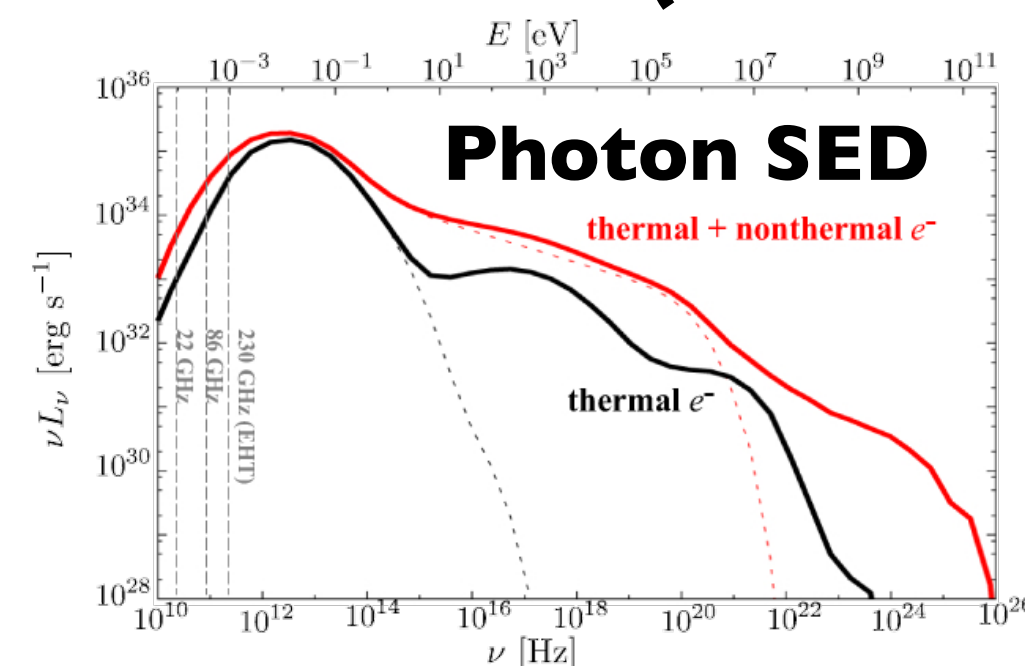
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- Fully time-dependent computation of neutrino emission

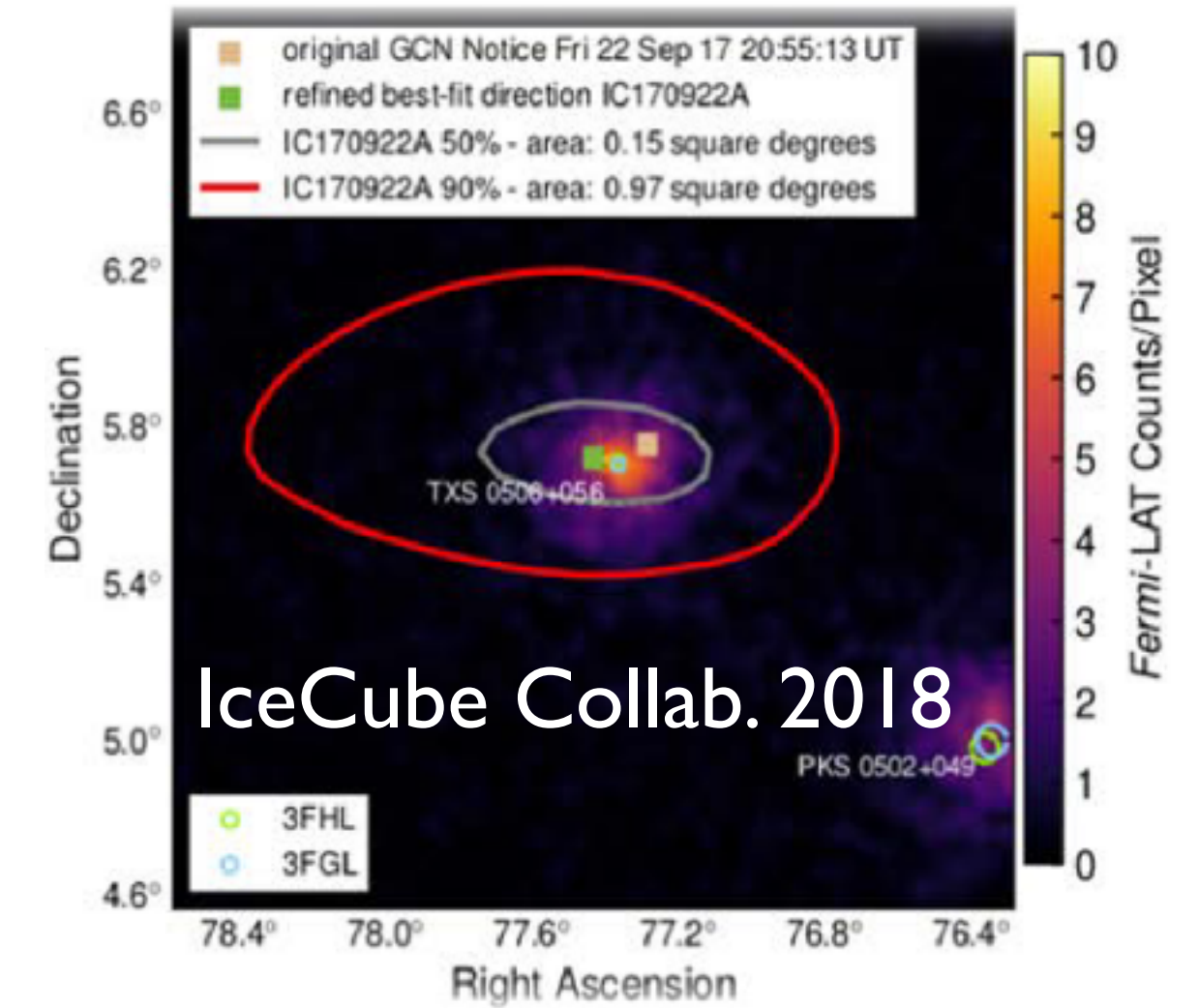


Magnetically-Arrested Disk (MAD) simulation using UWABAMI code

- Incorporating  $p\gamma$  process fully coupling w/ multi-wavelength general relativistic radiative transfer code RAIKOU (TK+23)



Neutrino associated w/ a gamma-ray flare in blazar TXS 0506+56 ?



IceCube Collab. 2018

