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Hadronic Modeling of AGN Variability

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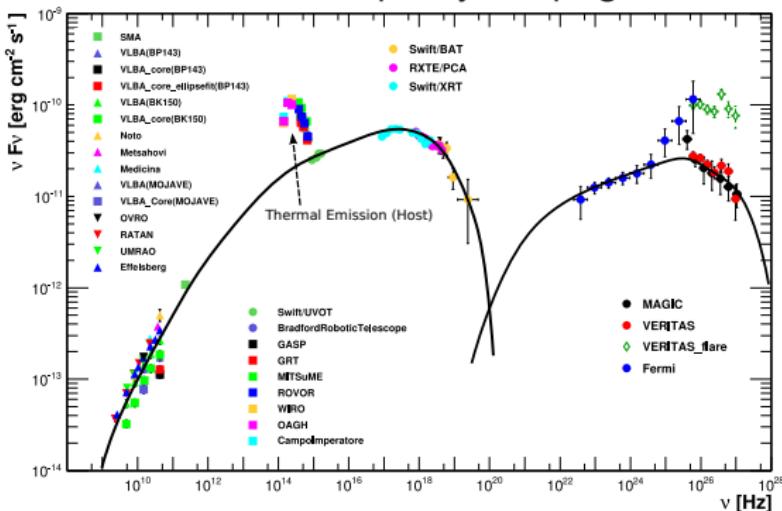
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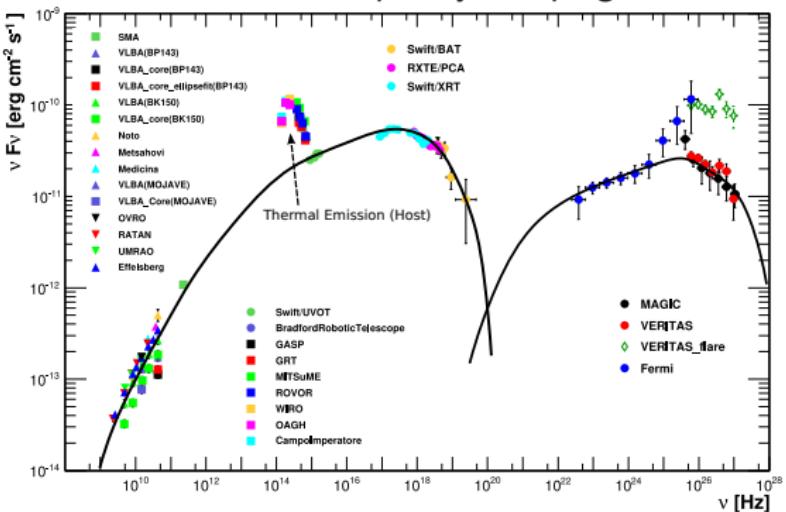


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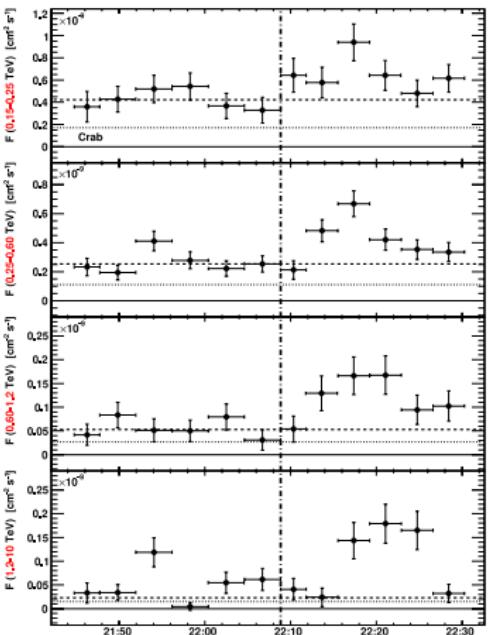
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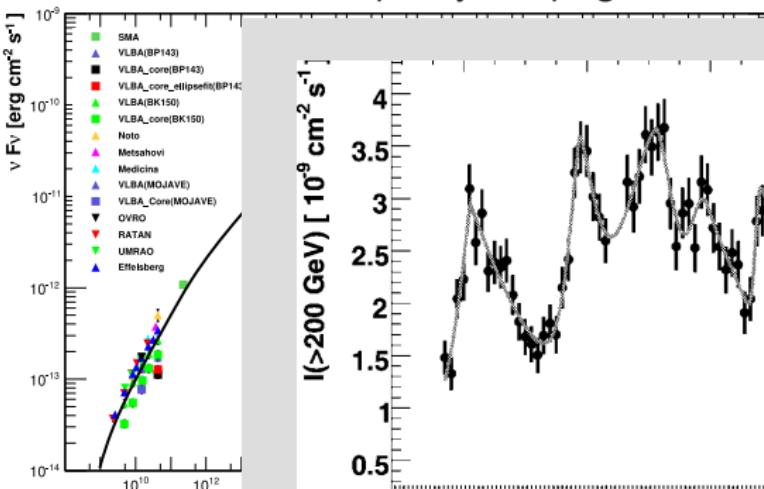


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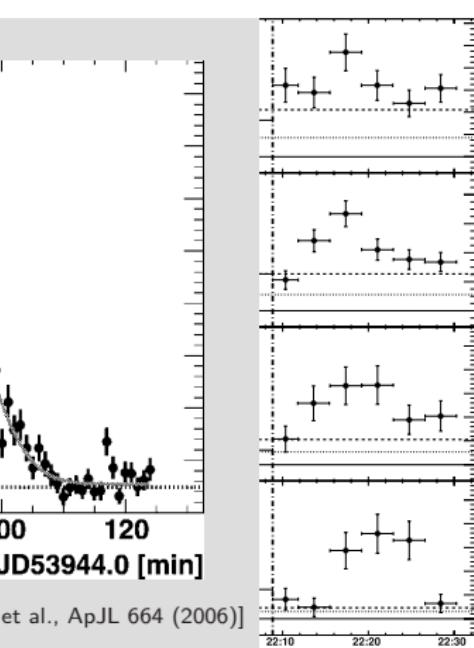
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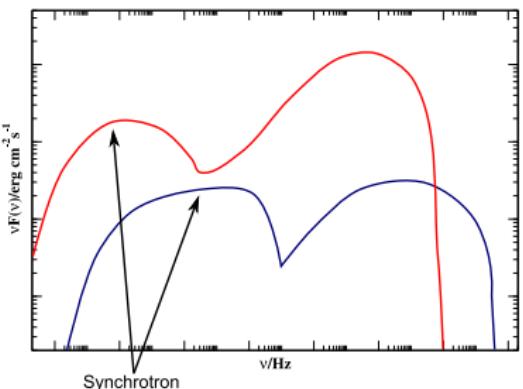
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PKS 2155-304 [Aharonian et al., ApJL 664 (2006)]

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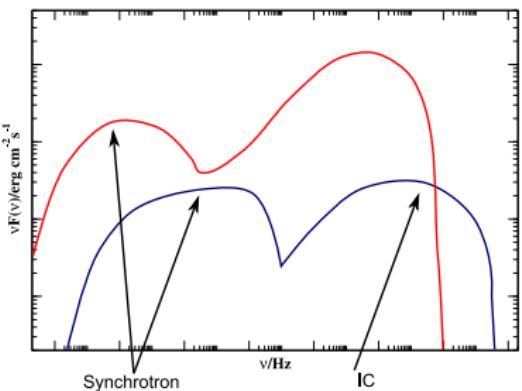
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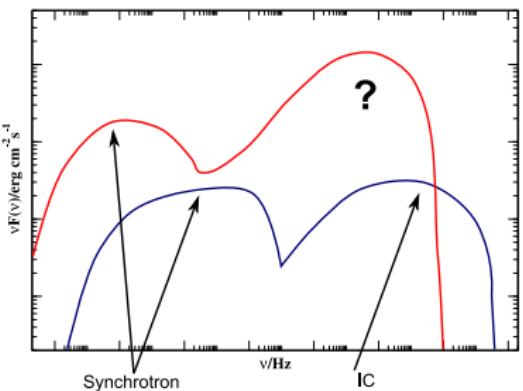
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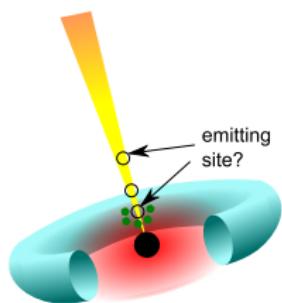
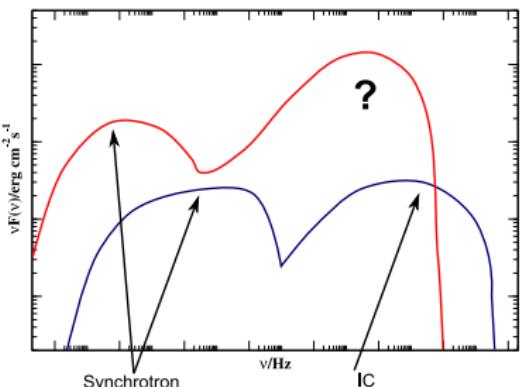
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- strongly dependent on the emitting site within the jet (within the broad line region or beyond)

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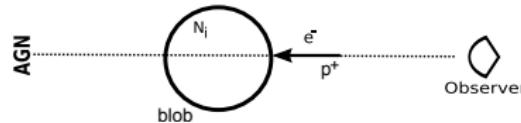
- particle spectra should arise from acceleration and cooling
- radiative output highly dependent on input p^+ spectral shape
(cf A. Mastichiadis)

Timedependency

- exploit the full information we get from blazar-emission

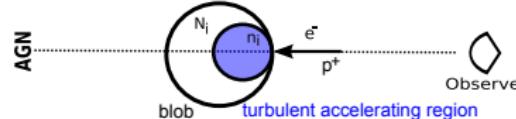
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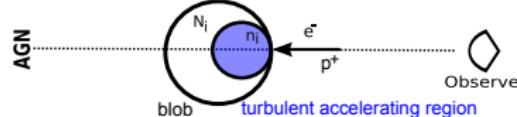
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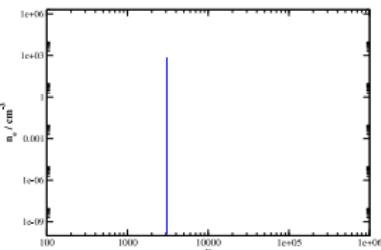
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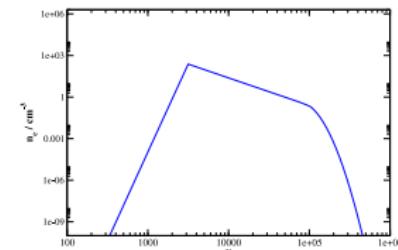
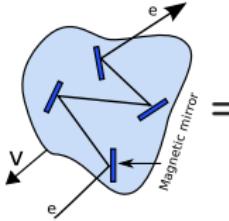
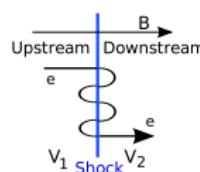


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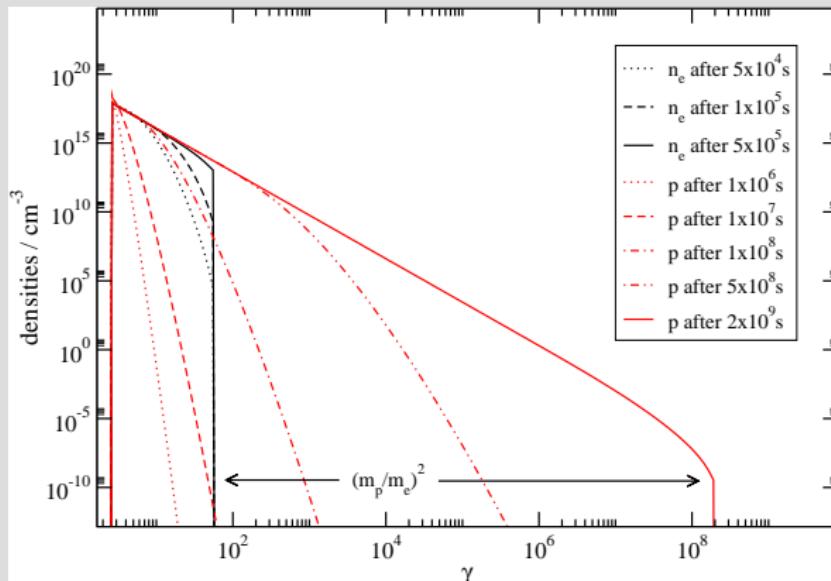
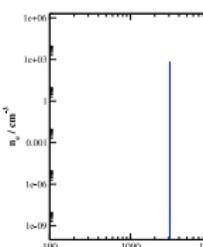
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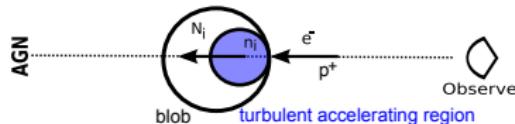


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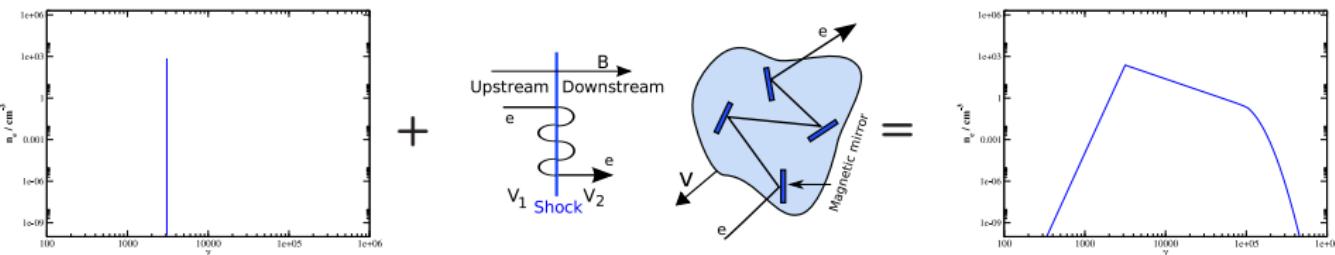
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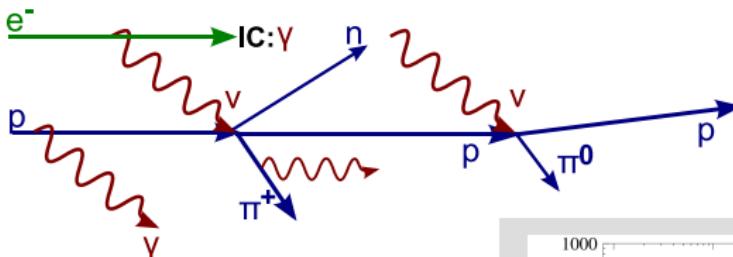
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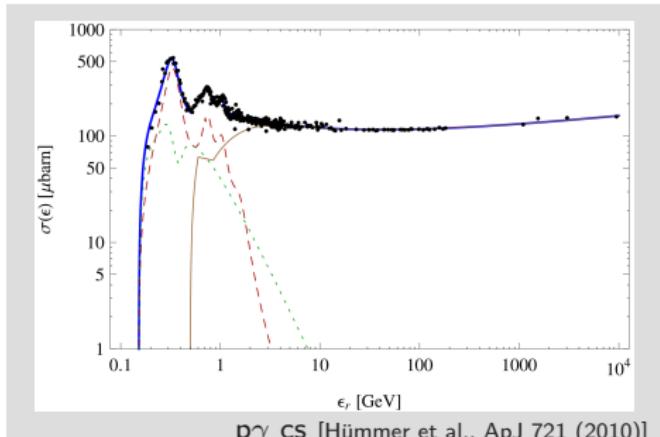
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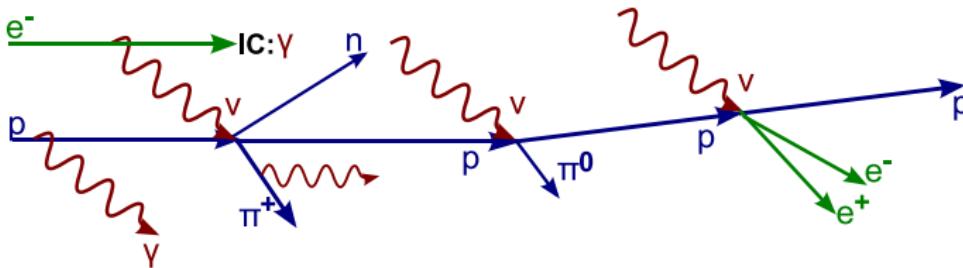


$p\gamma$ CS [Hümmer et al., ApJ 721 (2010)]

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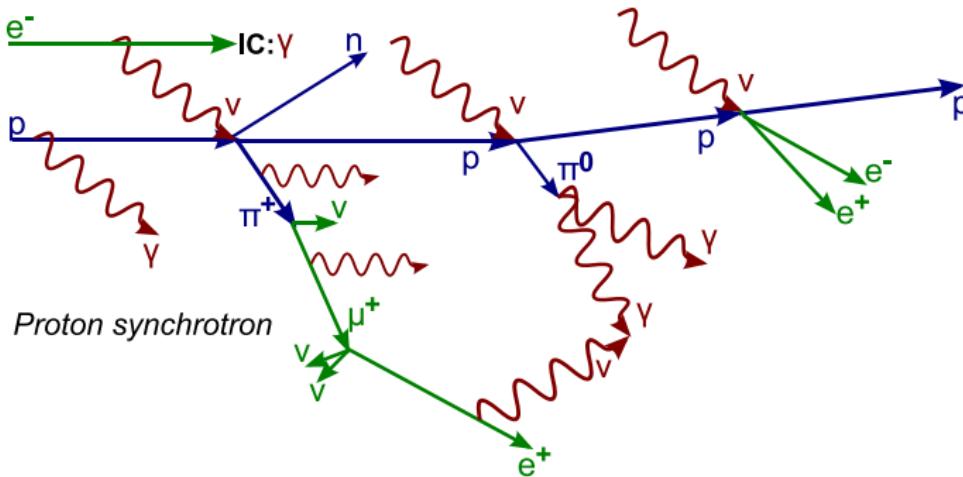


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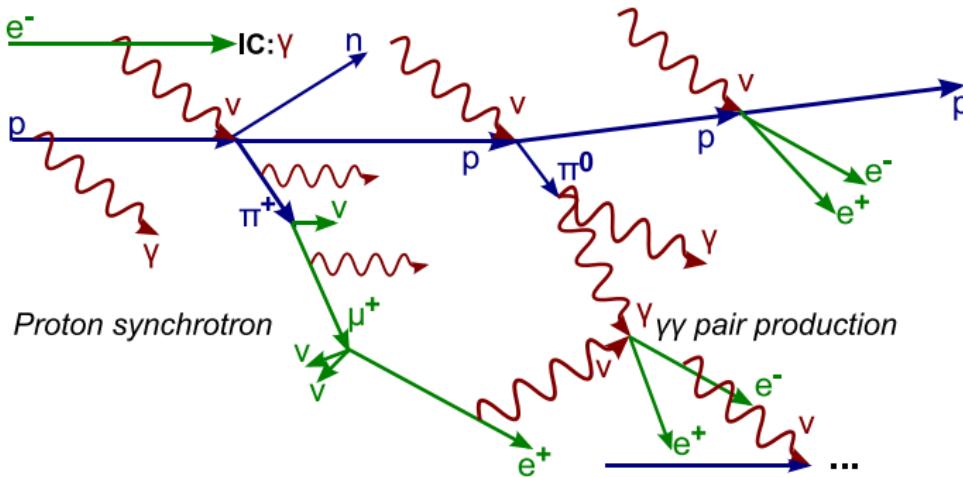
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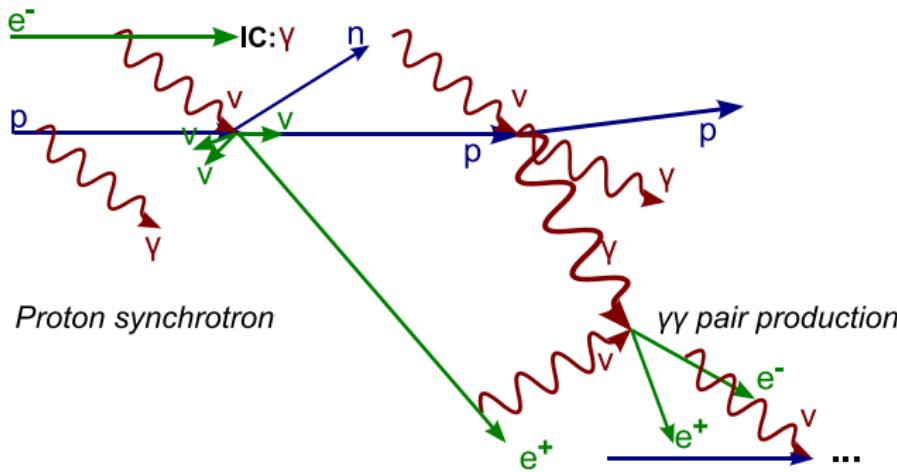
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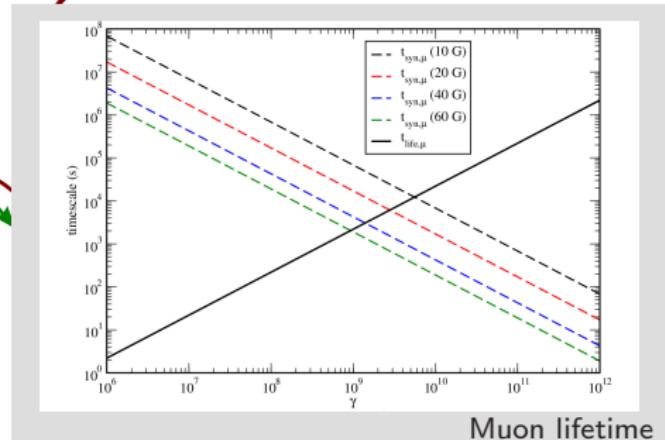
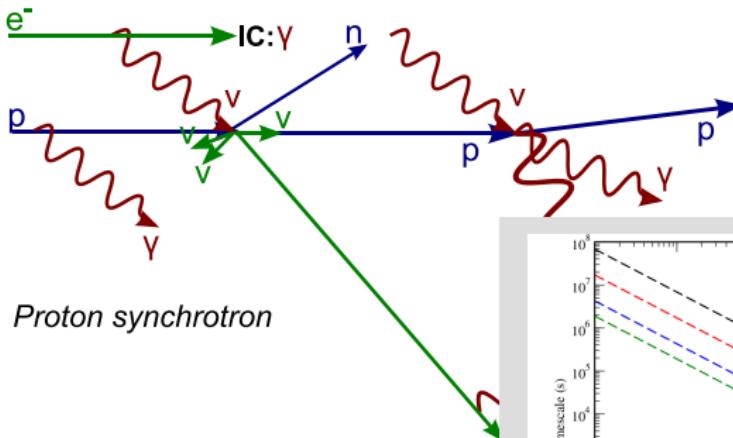
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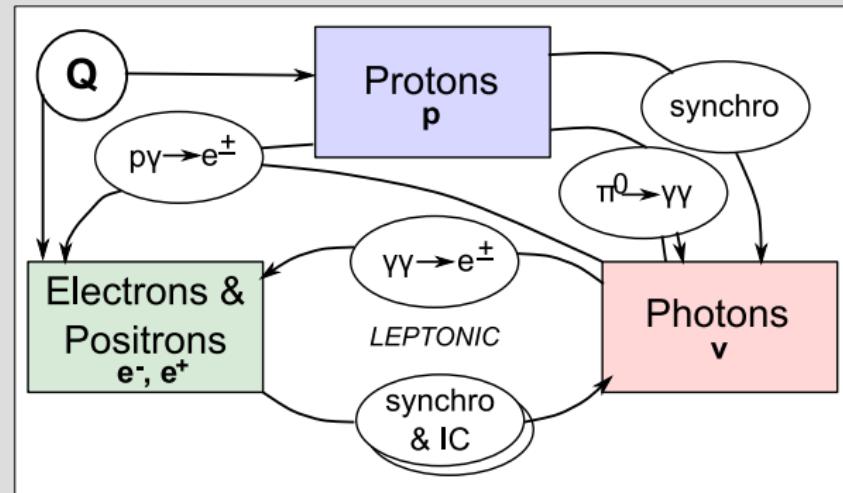
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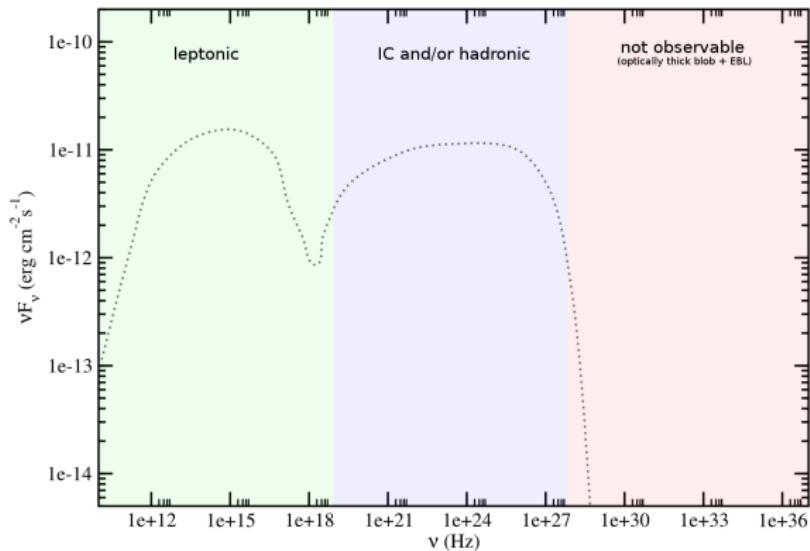
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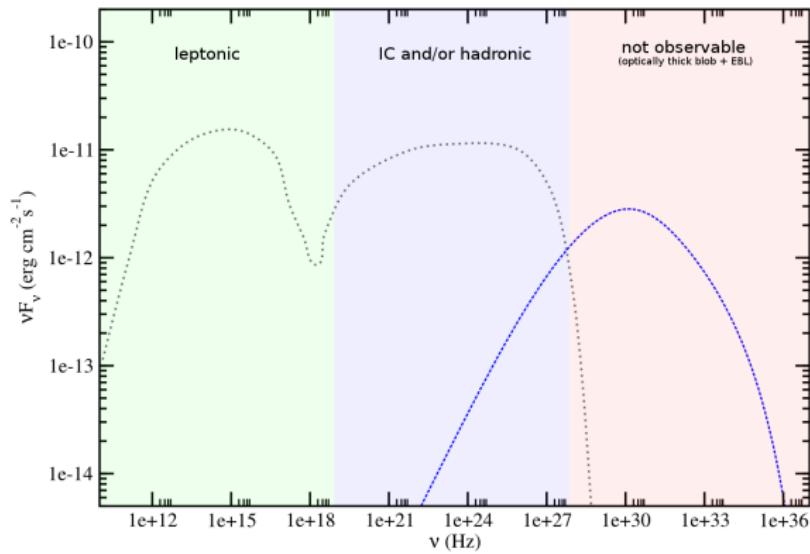
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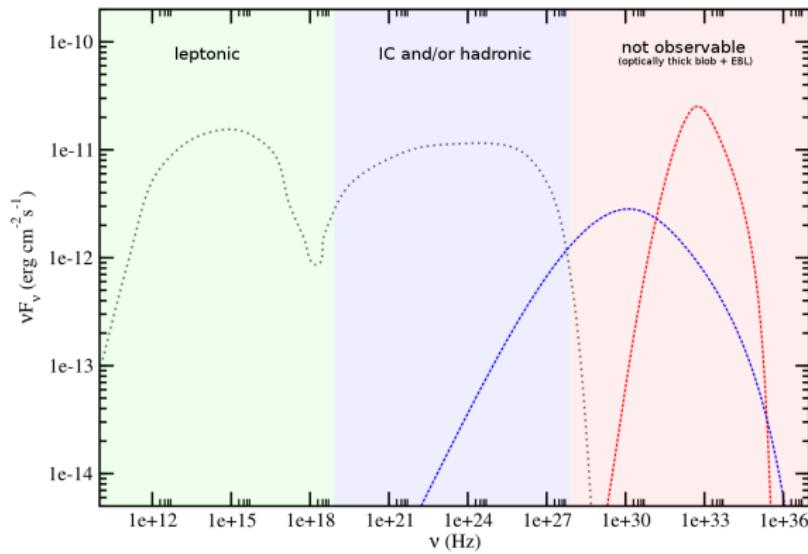
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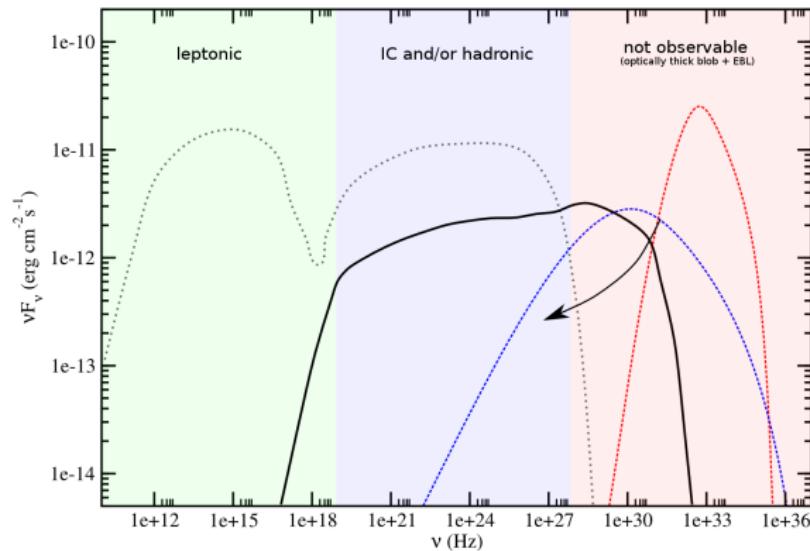
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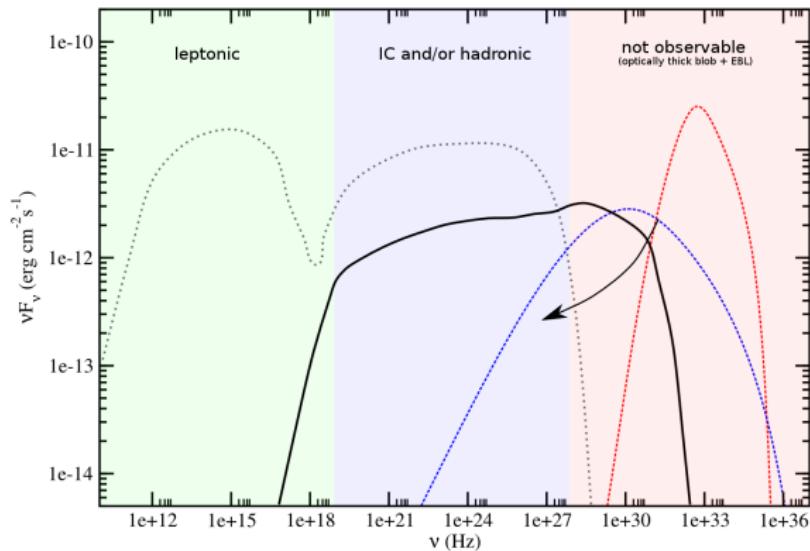
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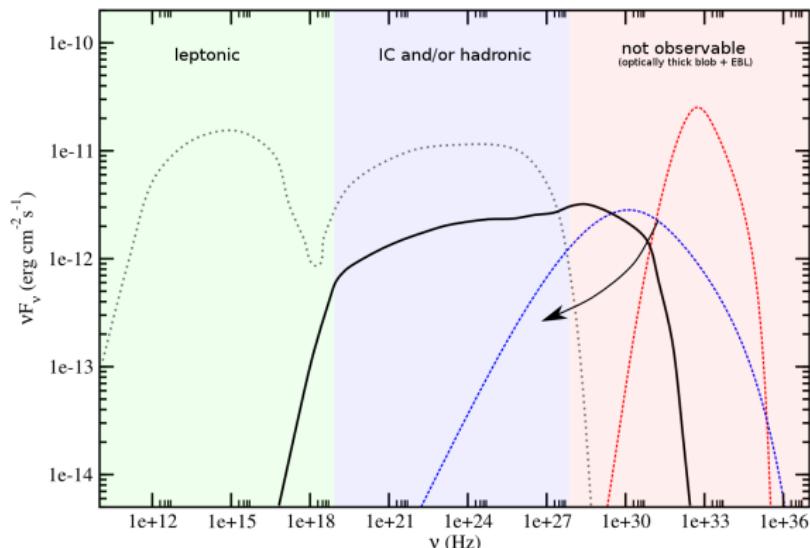
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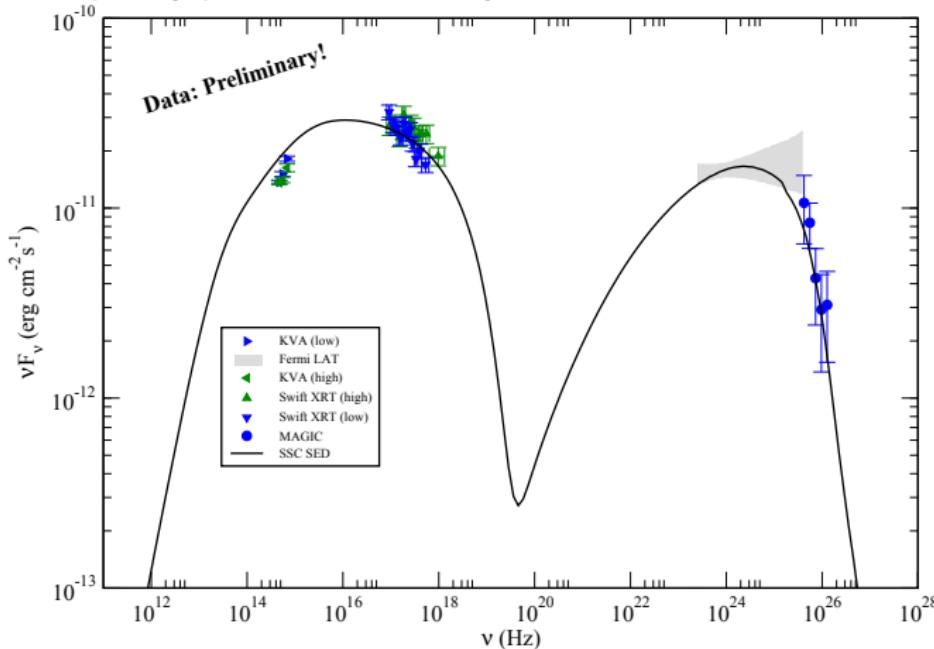
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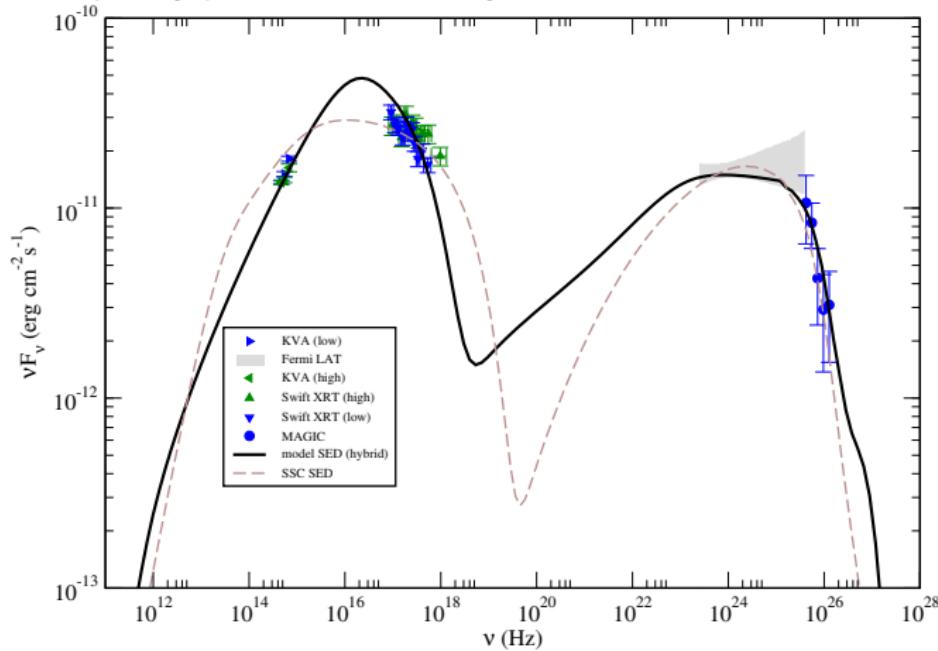
Requires p^+ with $\gamma > \Delta^+/E_{\text{photons}} \approx 10^7 - 10^9$ to be present in the jet.

1 ES 1011

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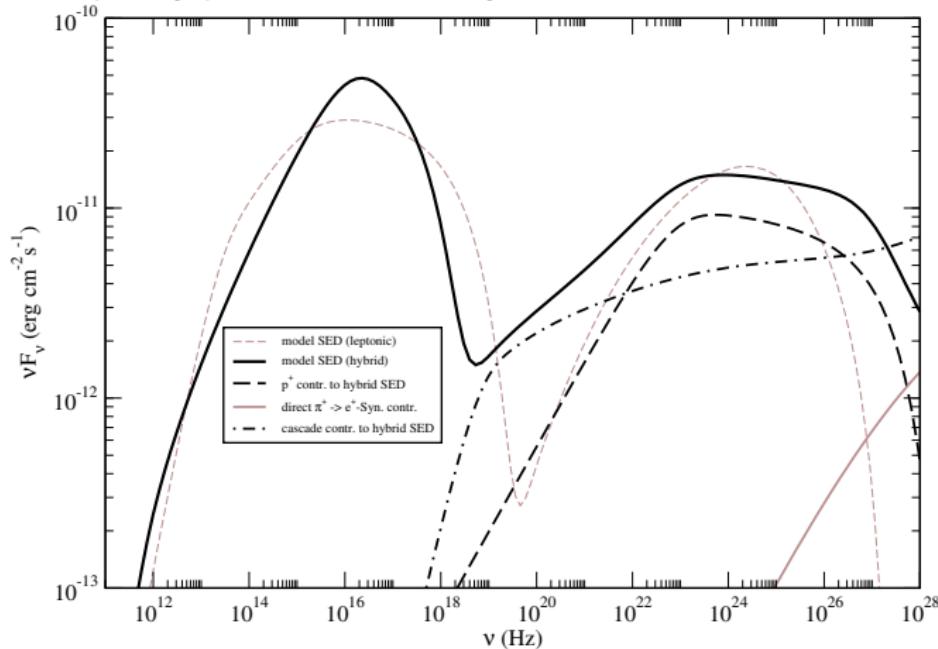
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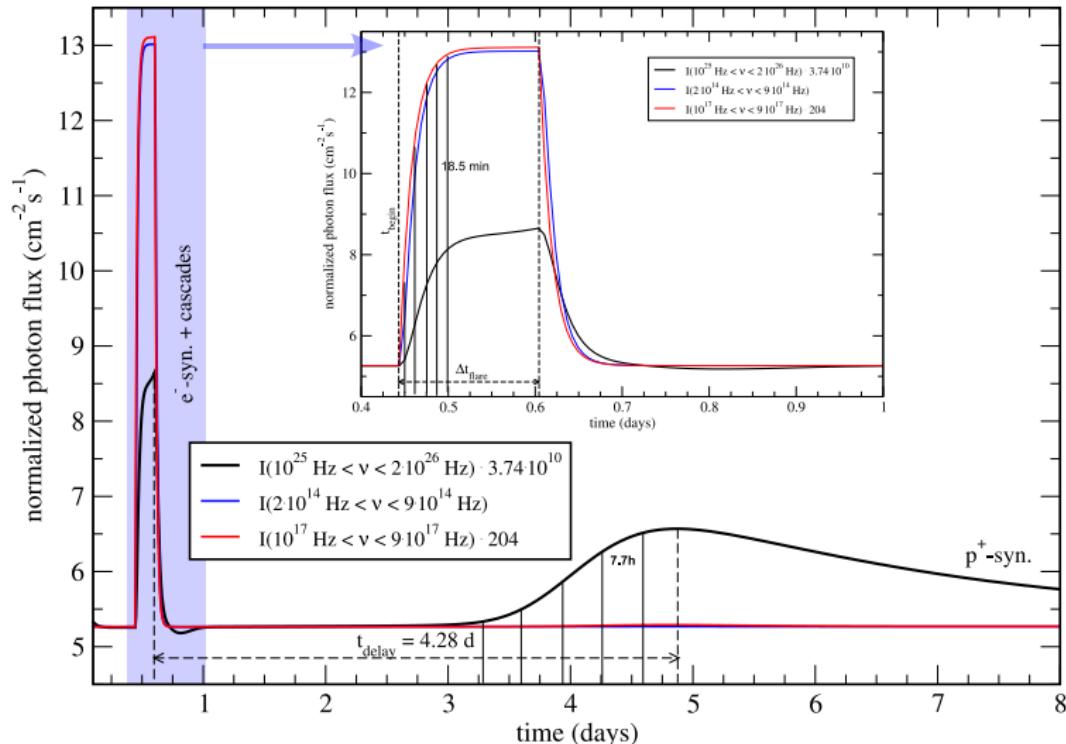
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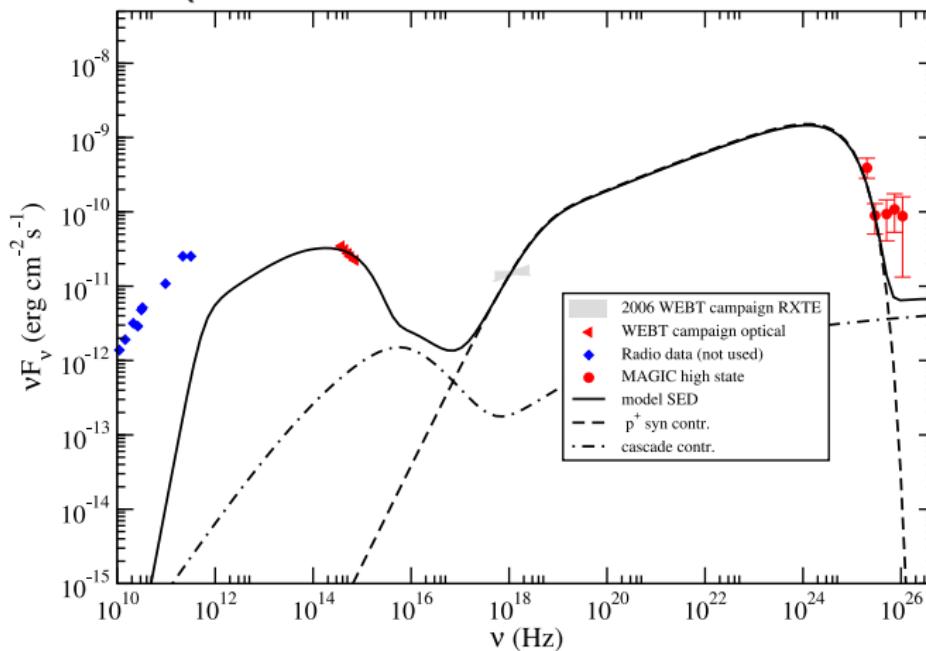
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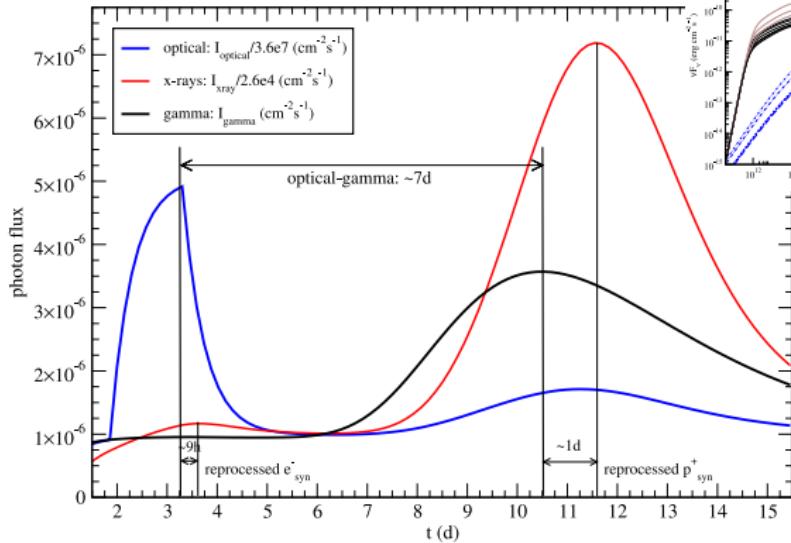
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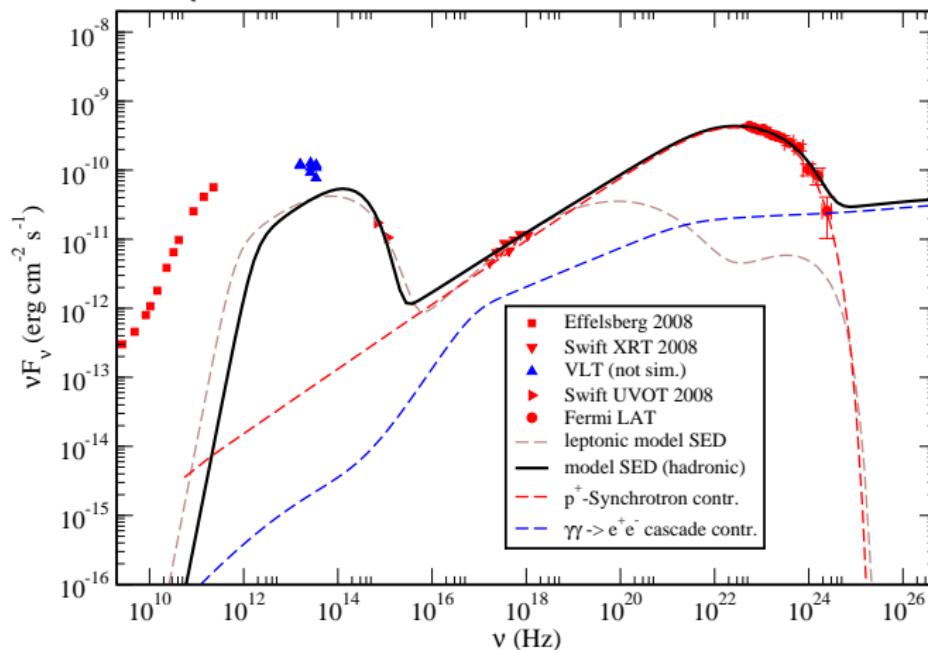
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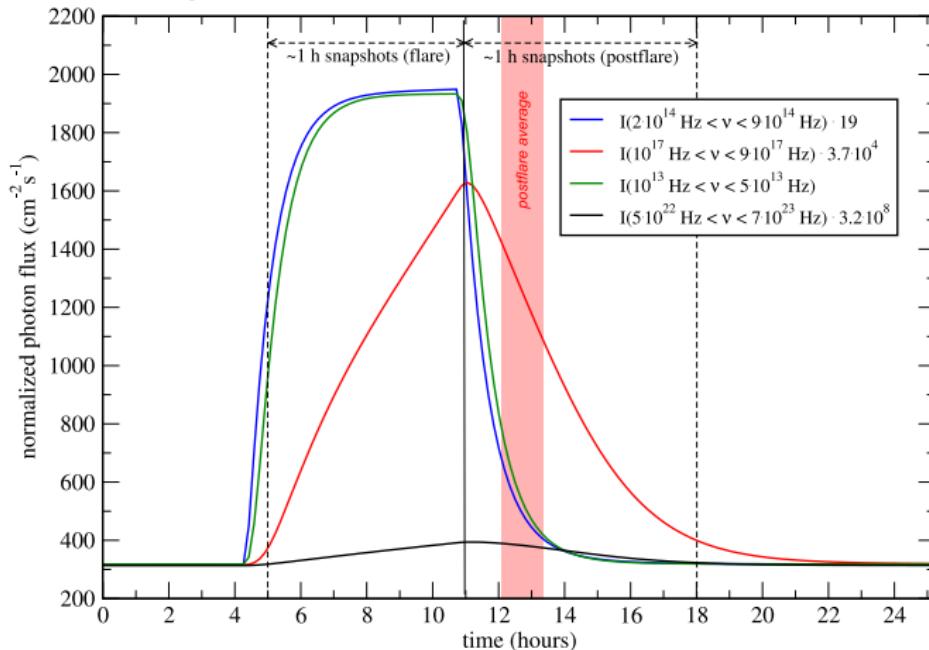
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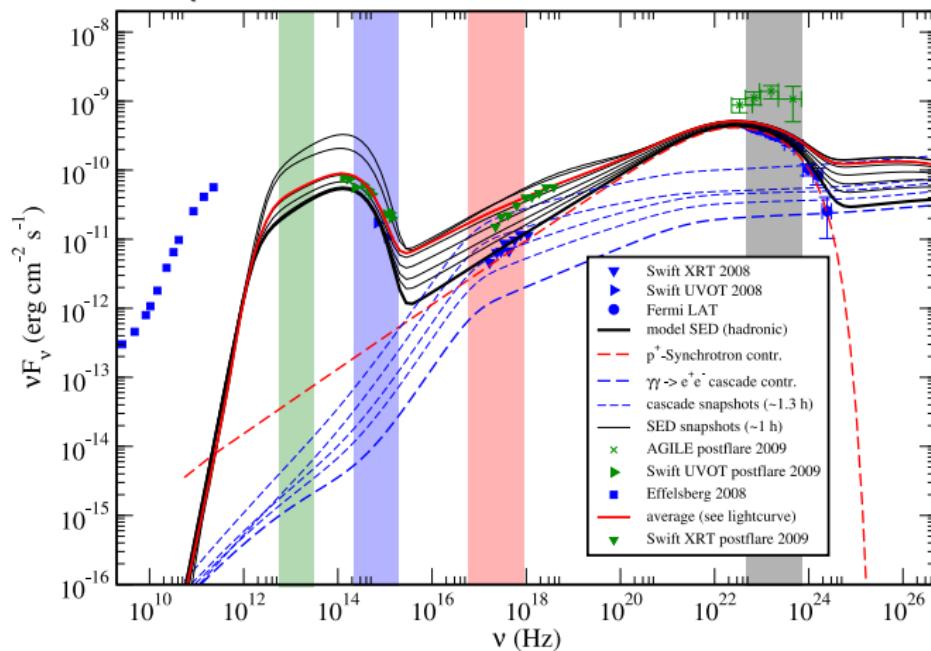
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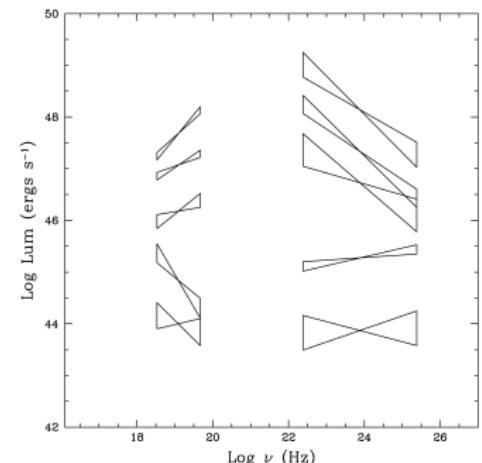
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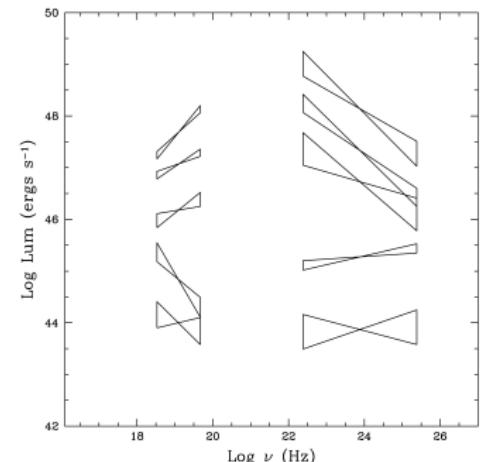
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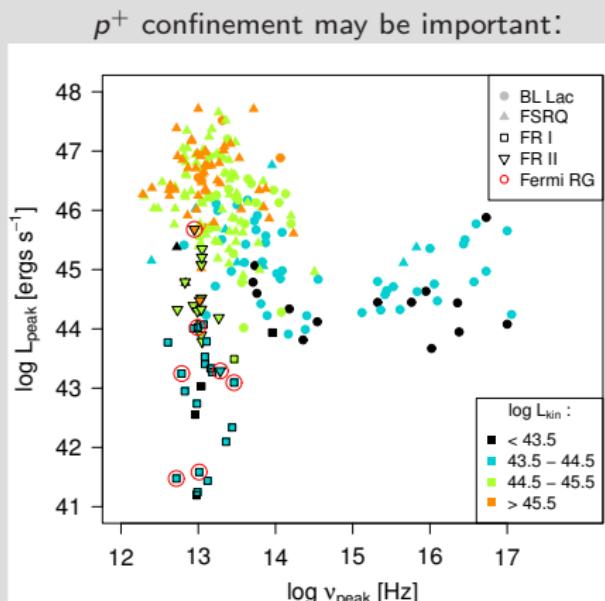
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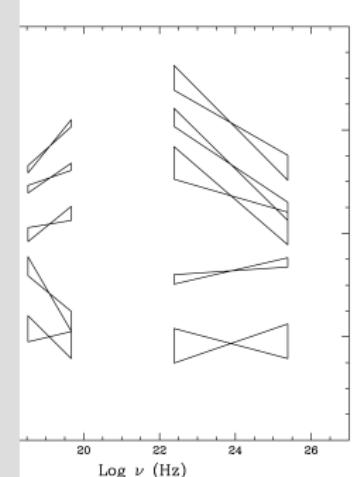
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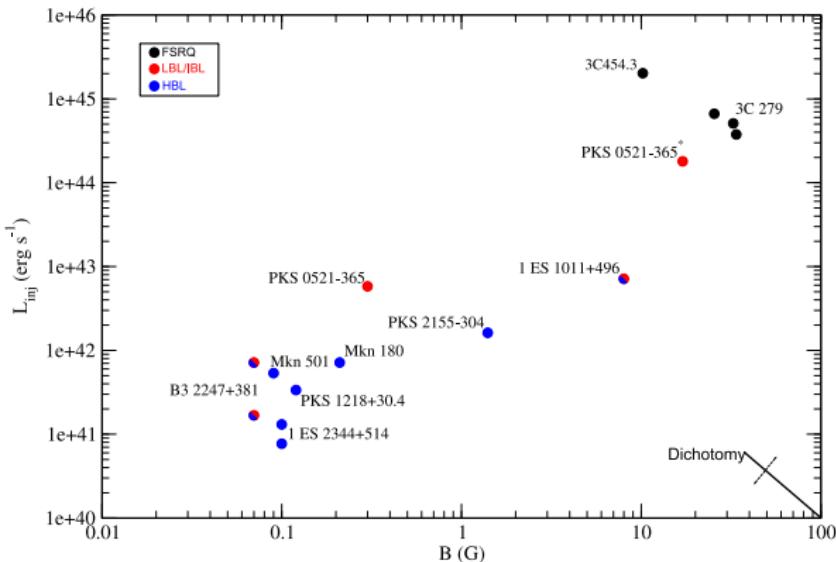
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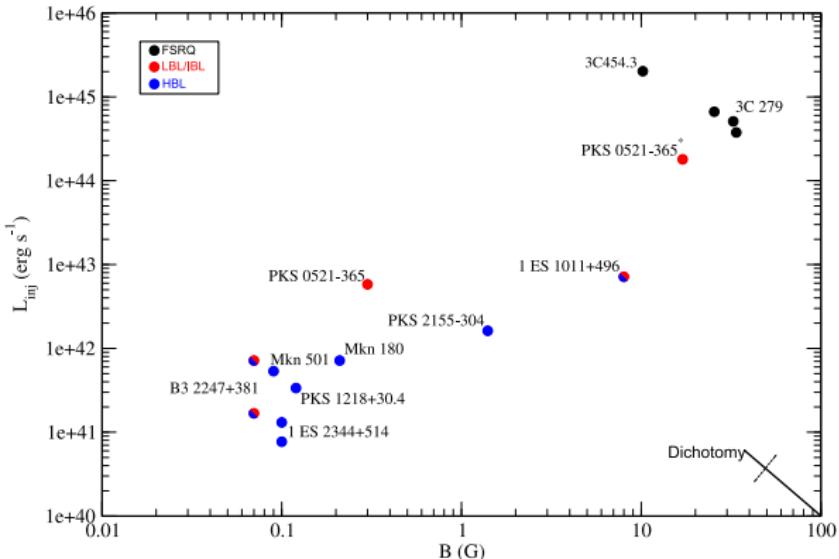
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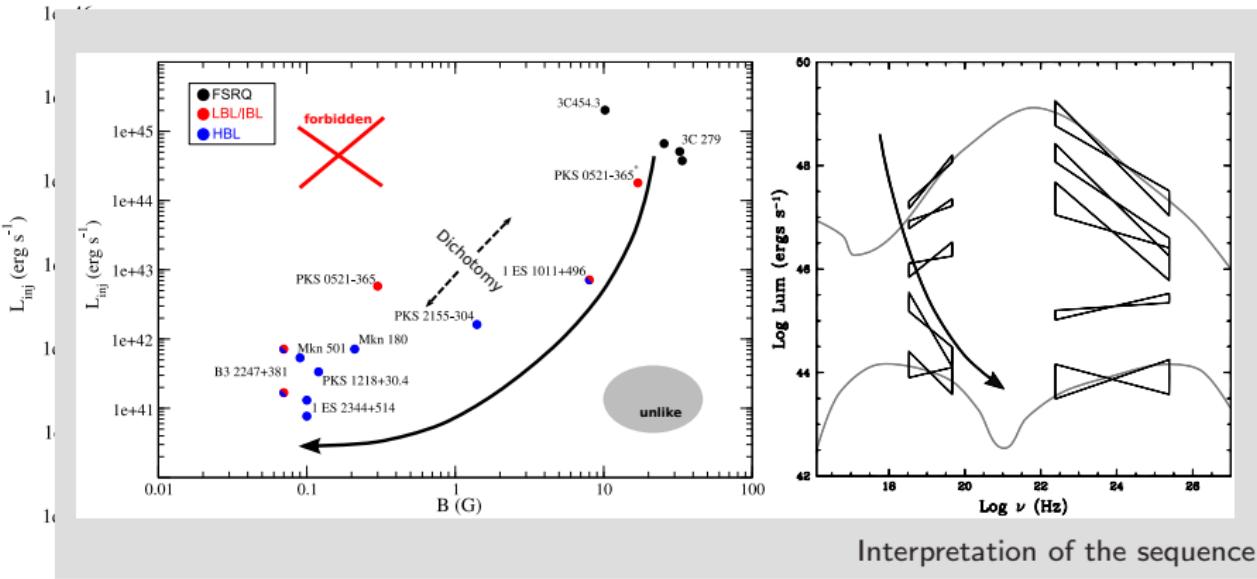
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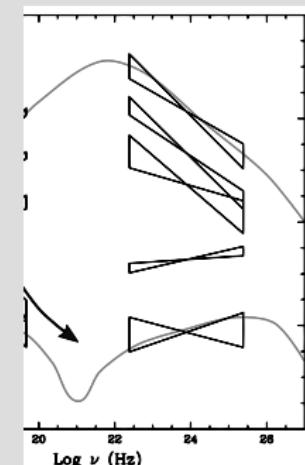
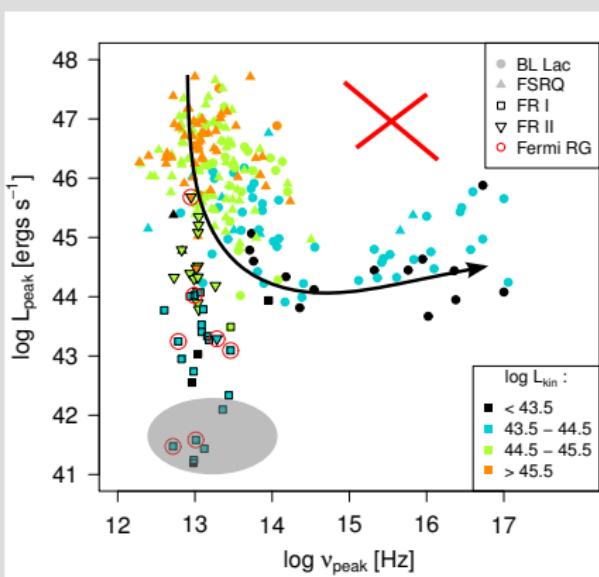
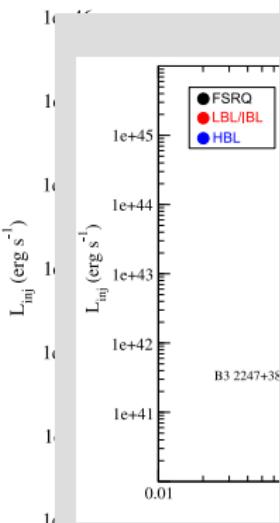
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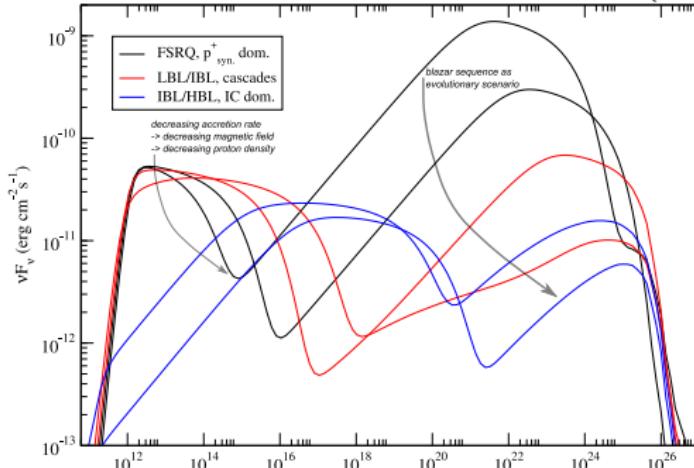
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Blazar-Sequence and evolution II

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- until $r_{gyr} \approx R_{rad}$ and protons are no longer confined
- equipartition for e^- becomes relevant at low B fields (at ≈ 0.25 G)



\Rightarrow Blazar-Sequence encodes hadronicness of a blazar-jet; a dichotomy arises
 Reason for high-mass loading (e.g. spin, accretion, shocks) see DM, AT, ...?