Caveat: Not Sunil Chandra's talk

– This talk will not be on a lepto-hadronic model, but will feature SEDs and cascade emission as Sunil's talk promised.



# A PARAMETER STUDY OF THE HADRONIC SYNCHROTRON MIRROR MODEL ON 3C279

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# Aim -Questions to be answered

#### The motivation behind studying the orphan flares:

- What radiation mechanisms produce orphan TeV flares?
- Are protons accelerated to ultra-relativistic energies in the jets of blazars?
- Are hadronic interactions expected to be associated with the production of very-high-energy neutrinos?
- Why is the variability of 3C 279 sometimes correlated across the electromagnetic spectrum and sometimes not, as seen in other blazars as well?

#### The motivation behind the parameter study:

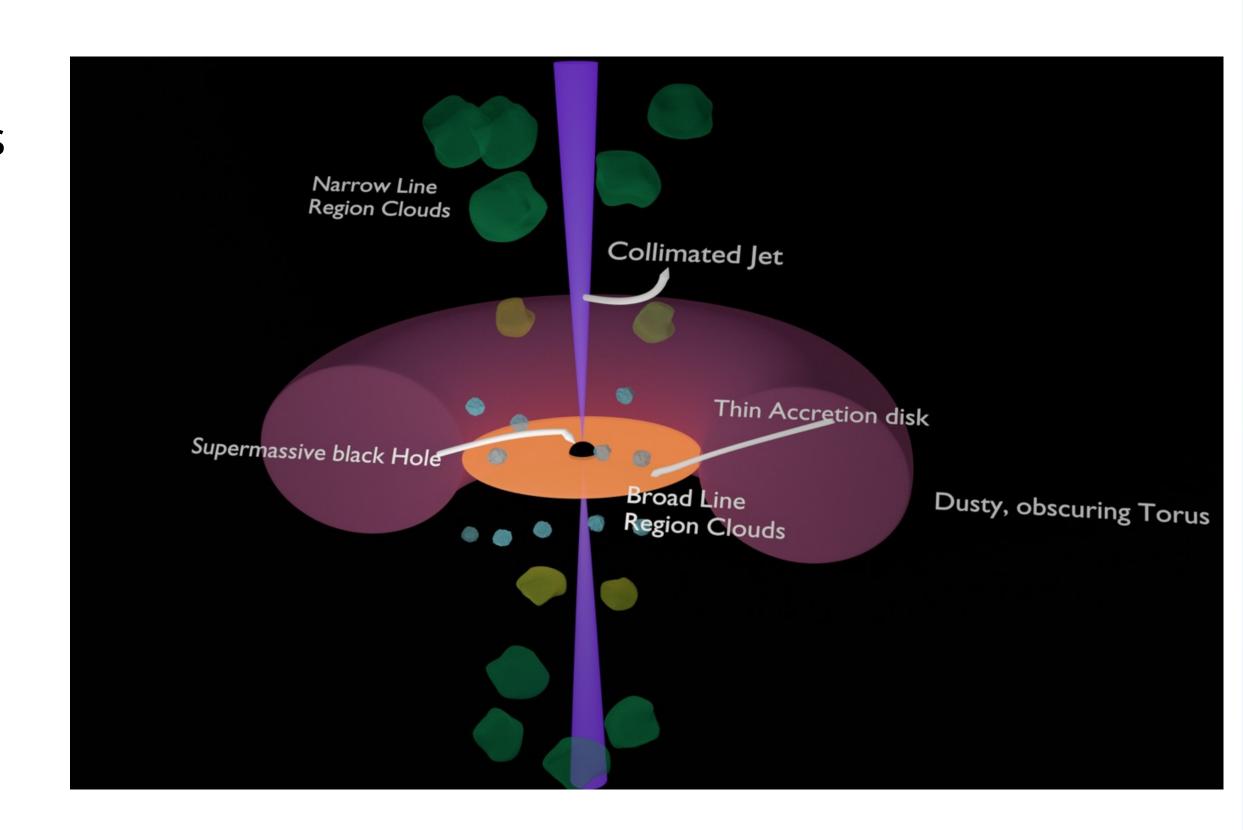
- To see how some of the different parameters influence the model.
- Try to minimize the required jet power.

## Outline



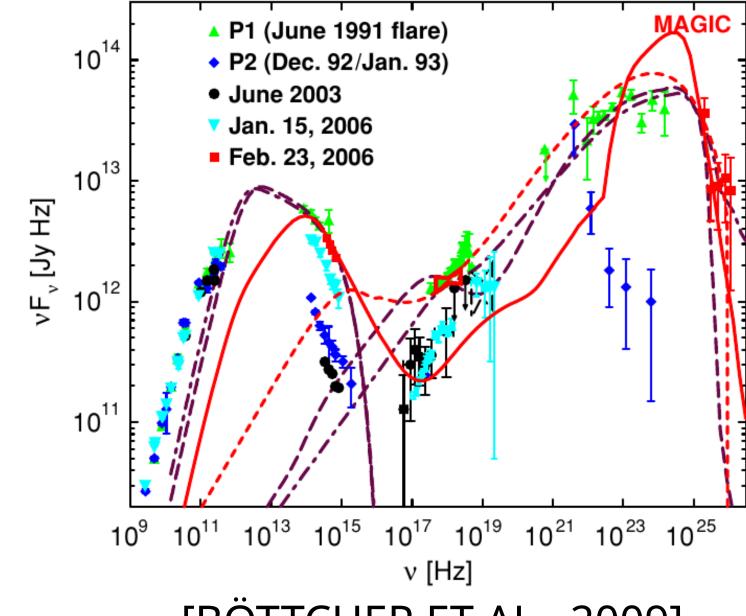
### What this presentation covers

- Background
  - SED components
  - Orphan Flares
- 3C 279 flare
- The hadronic synchrotron mirror model
  - Results
- Parameter study
- Summary and Future Work



## SEDS

- SED's of blazars are characterised by two components
- First Component: Electron Synchrotron radiation
- Second Component: can be leptonic or hadronic:
  - Compton scattering
  - Proton synchrotron radiation
  - Photo-Pion Production



3C279

[BÖTTCHER ET AL., 2009]

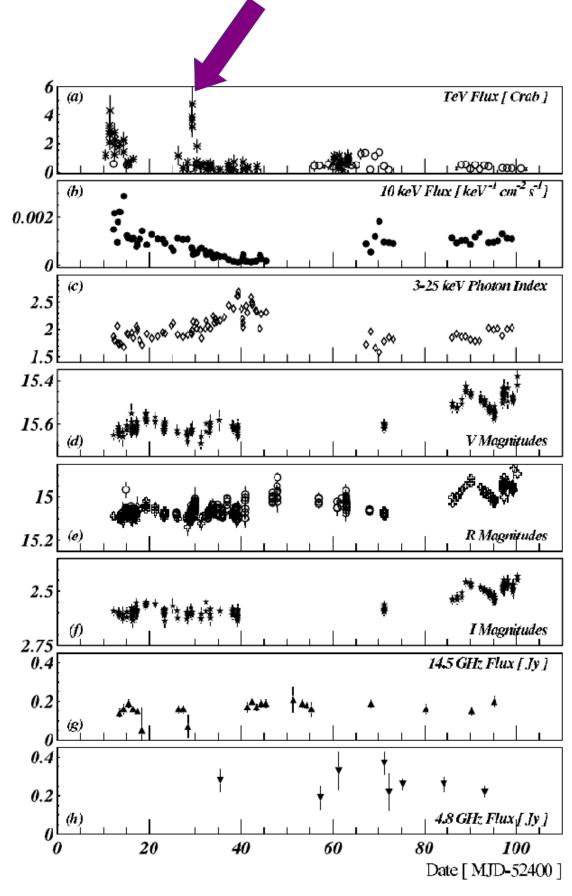
$$p + \gamma \rightarrow p + \pi^{0} \rightarrow p + \gamma + \gamma$$

$$or \rightarrow n + \pi^{+} \rightarrow n + \mu^{+} + \nu_{\mu} \rightarrow n + e^{+} + \nu_{\mu} + \nu_{e} + \overline{\nu}_{\mu}$$

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# Orphan Flares

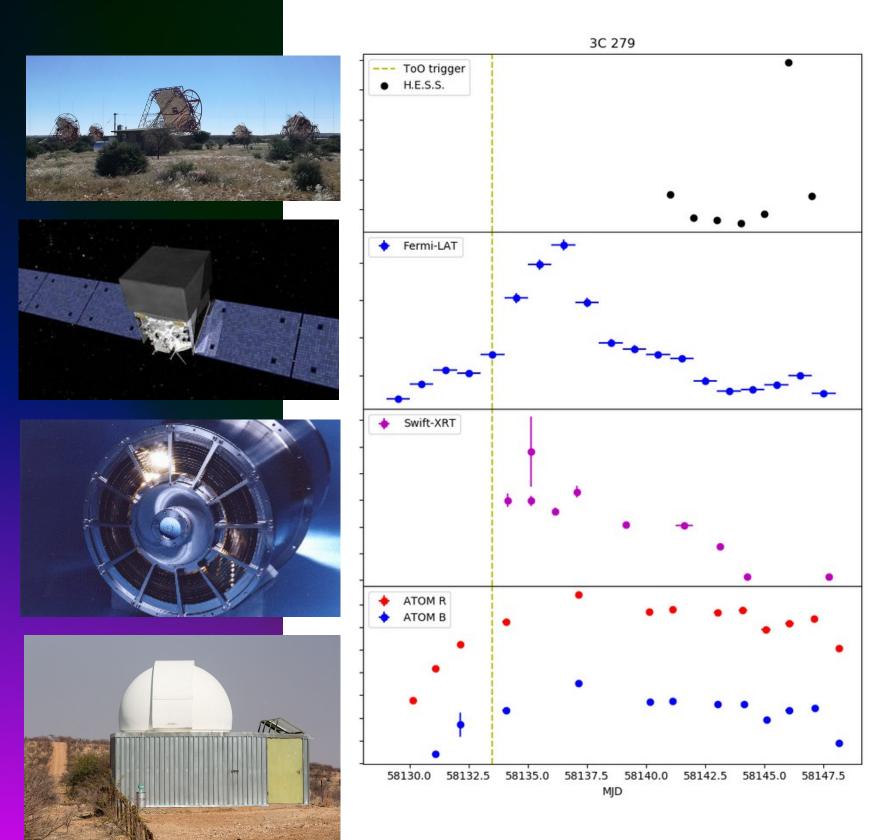
- Extreme variability and flaring in different wavebands
- Flaring in one frequency band unaccompanied by flaring in other bands
- Orphan flares are usually secondary flares



[KRAWCZYNSKI ET AL., 2004]

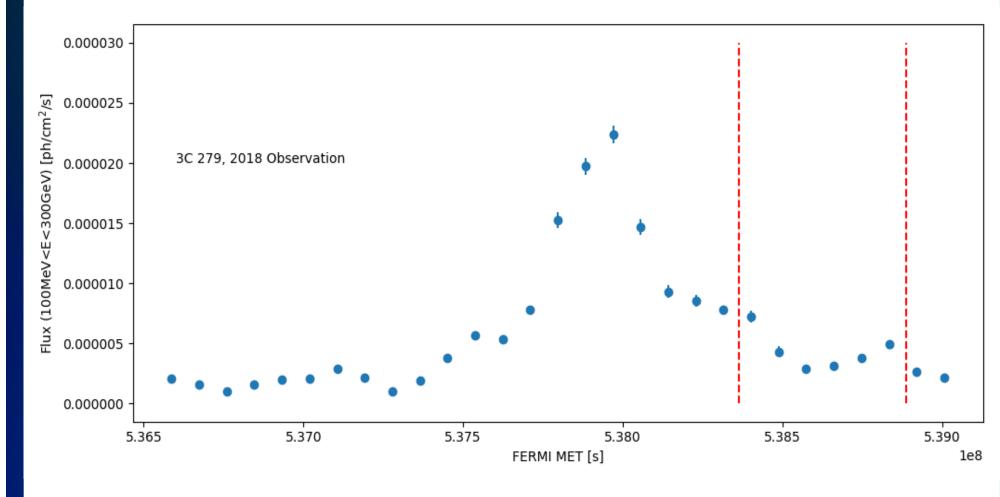
## 3C 279 Flare

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## The Observed Orphan flare

Eleven days after a Fermi-LAT flare was observed with counterparts in the X-ray and optical bands, an orphan flare in the VHE  $\gamma$ -ray band was detected.



- 3C 279 is a FSRQ at a redshift of z = 0.536.
- 28th January 2018
- H.E.S.S. data in period bounded by the red lines.
- ToO observation was ongoing because of the Fermi-LAT flare by Fermi, HESS, Swift-XRT and ATOM.

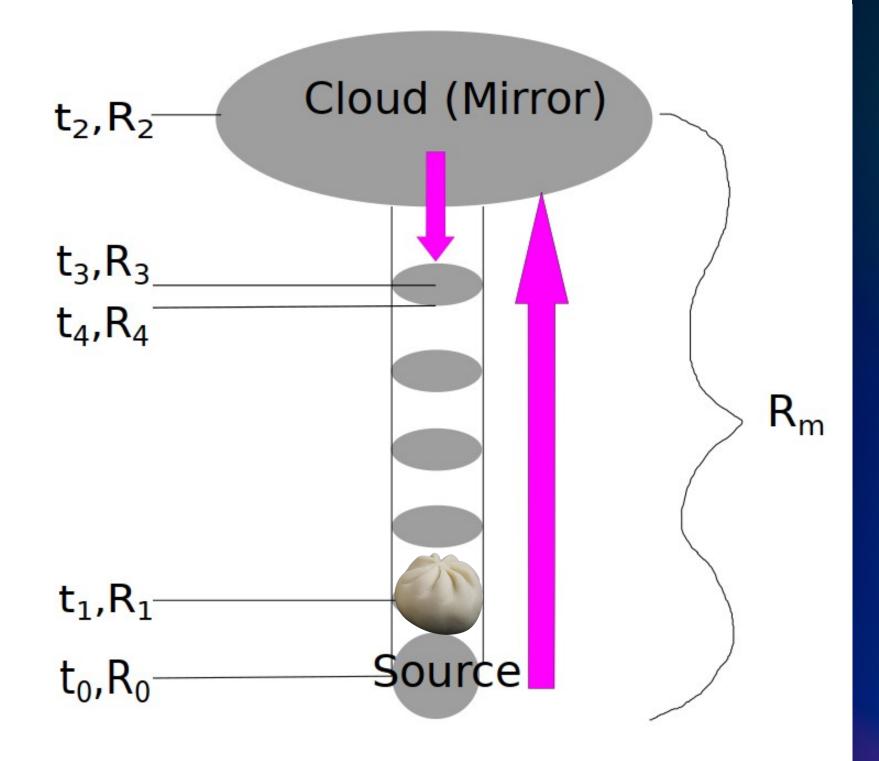
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[DMYTRIIEV, 2020]

# Motivation for Hadronic scenario

### Why we chose a hadronic mirror scenario:

- Leptonic SSC models predict quasi-simultaneous flaring in other wavebands like X-ray and optical bands.
- Matter in blazar jets might be dynamically dominated by baryon content [Sikora & Madejski, 2000].
- Inspired by [Böttcher, 2005] with application to orphan the flare of 1ES 1959+650.
- The mirror lowers the threshold of the proton energy required for photo-pion production.



# Hadronic Synchrotron Mirror Model Important Parameters

#### important rarameters

- The normalisation of the proton spectrum
- Magnetic field
- The Lorentz factor that signifies the break in the spectrum
- Radius of the cloud
- Fraction of reflected photons
- The Doppler factor

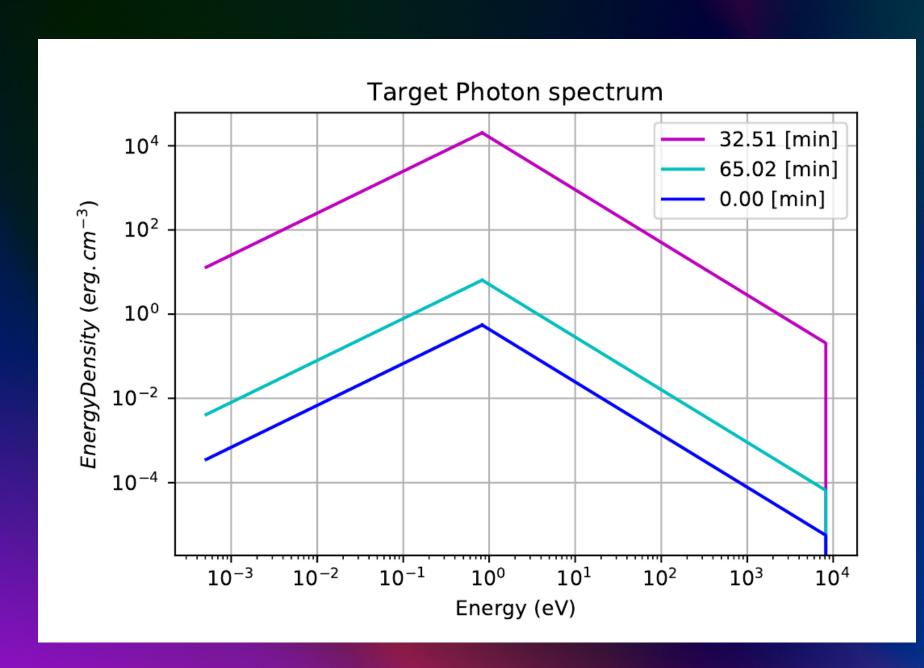
$N_0$	$2.5 \times 10^{37}$
B	100~G
$\gamma_b$	$9.8 \times 10^{7}$
$R_{cl}$	$5.5 \times 10^{15} \text{cm}$
au	0.001
δ	10

A list of the model parameters.





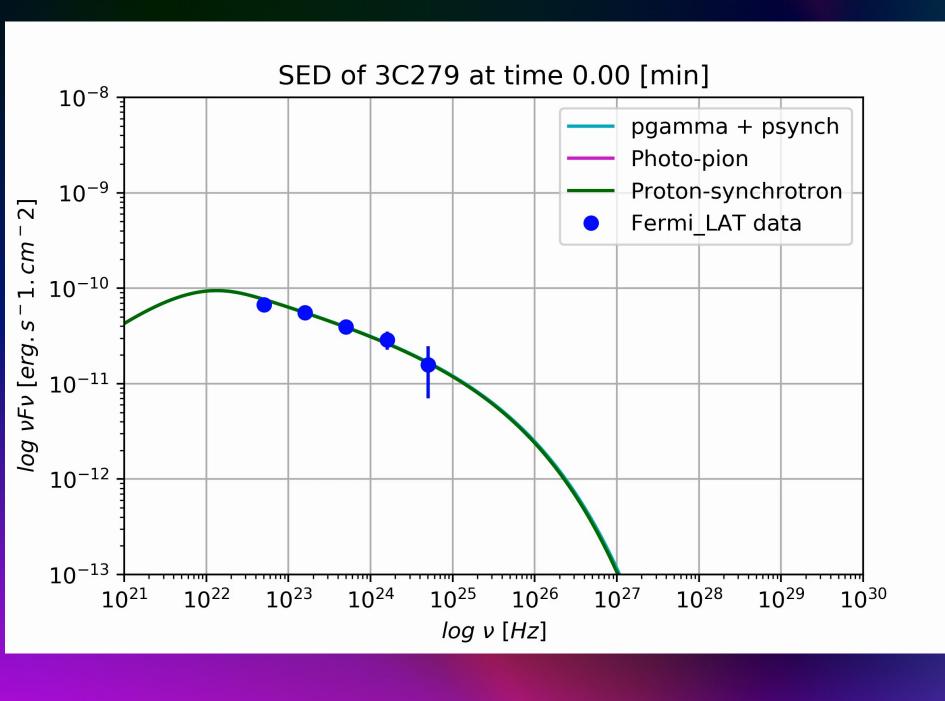
## Target photon spectrum

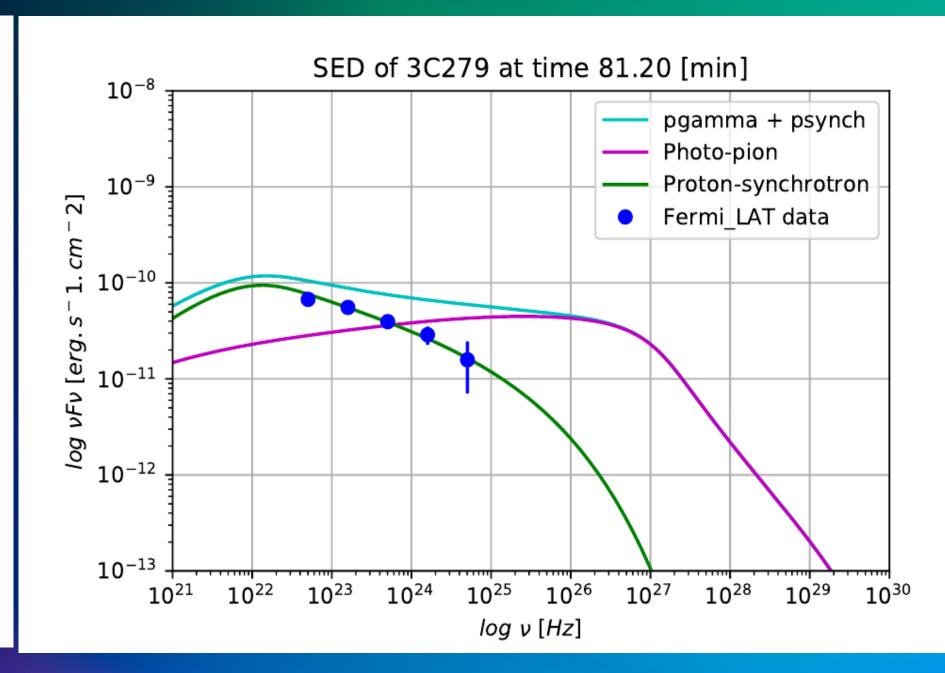


- The target photon spectrum at certain times since the onset of the orphan flare.
- We can see the energy density shoot up after some time passes and then come down again.

## 3C279 - SEDs

• Cascade development using the semi-analytical treatment of Böttcher et al. (2013).

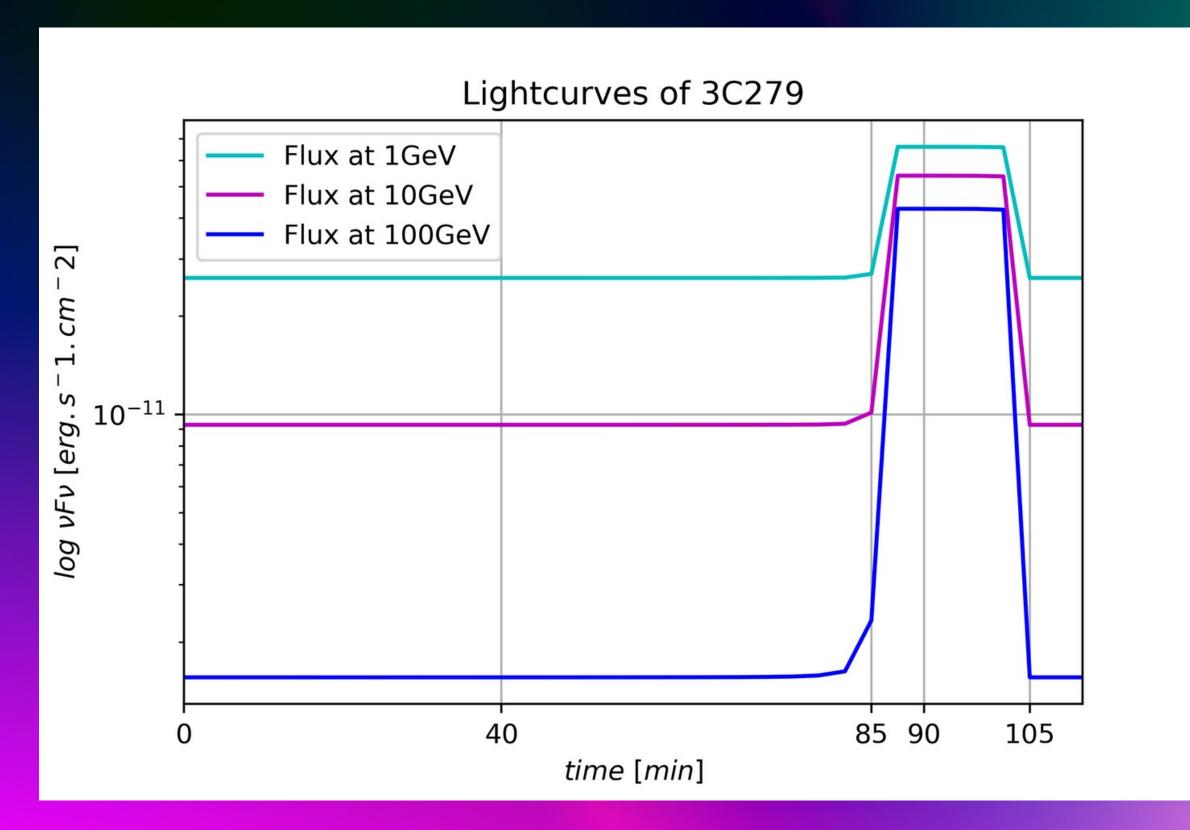






# Lightcurves





- The VHE flare is represented by the model flux at 100 GeV.
- There is a flare of a factor of ~ 2 in flux at 1 GeV.
- The model predicts a significant flare of about 30 min duration.
- The observed time differs from the time in the AGN rest frame, because of light-travel-time effects.
- The light-travel-time effect leads to a contraction of the observed time.

$$t_{obs} = \frac{t_{AGN}}{\Gamma^2}$$



# Luminosities For 3C279

Is the jet power proton or Poynting flux dominated?

- Close to equipartition
- Slightly proton dominated
- Jet power is a little bit larger than the Eddington luminosity.
- This can be explained by the fact that the jet is not in a steady state, so the jet power is only larger for the duration of the flare, and then reverts back to a lower value.

$$L_p \sim \pi R_b^2 c \Gamma^2 \gamma_b^2 m_p c^2 \frac{N_0}{V_b} \sim 2.1 \times 10^{47} \text{ erg.s}^{-1}$$

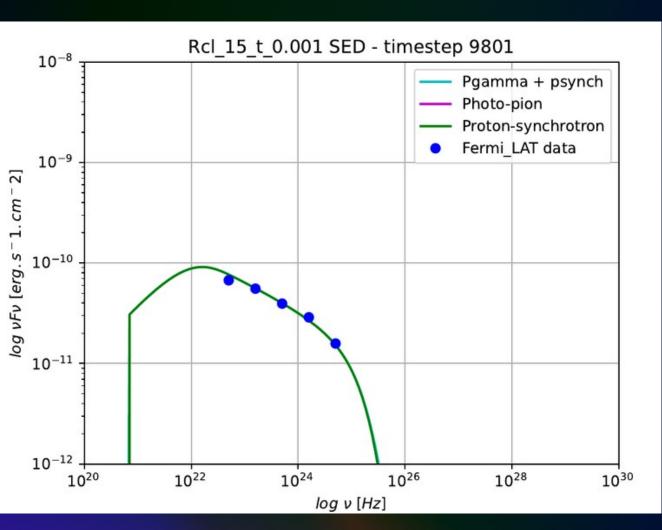
$$L_B \sim \pi R_b^2 c \Gamma^2 \frac{B^2}{(8\pi)} \sim 9.4 \times 10^{46} \text{ erg.s}^{-1}$$

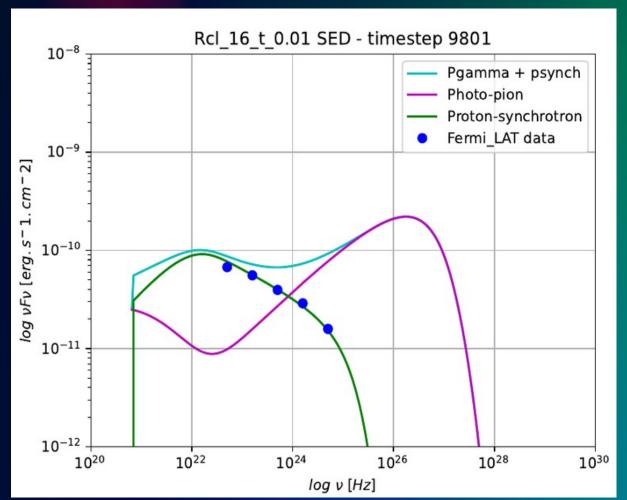
$$L_{Edd} = 1.3 \times 10^{47} \text{ erg.s}^{-1}$$

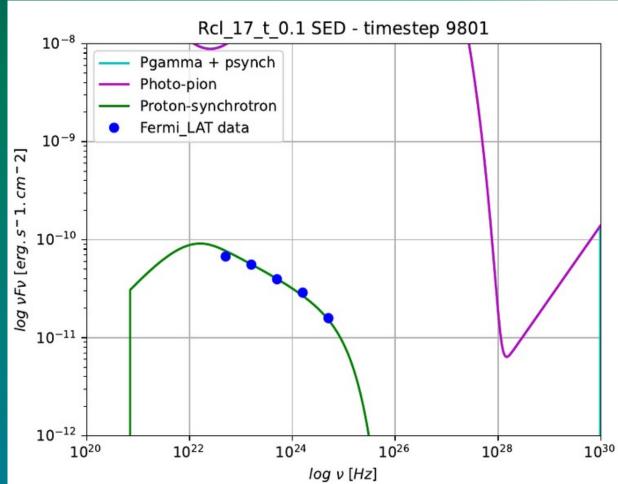
$$L_{Sum} \sim 3.04 \times 10^{47} \ erg.s^{-1}$$

## Mirror Radius and Tau









$R_{cl}$	$1 \times 10^{15} \ cm$
au	0.001

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$R_{cl}$	$1 \times 10^{10} \ cm$
au	0.01

$R_{cl}$	$1 \times 10^{17} \ cm$
au	0.1

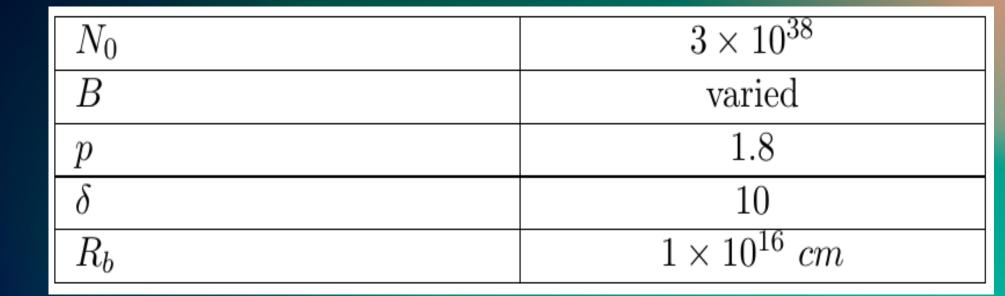
- The cloud radius and fraction of reflected photons are varied together.
- If these parameters are too small, the emission is not effective enough.
- If they are too big, the emission is too effective.

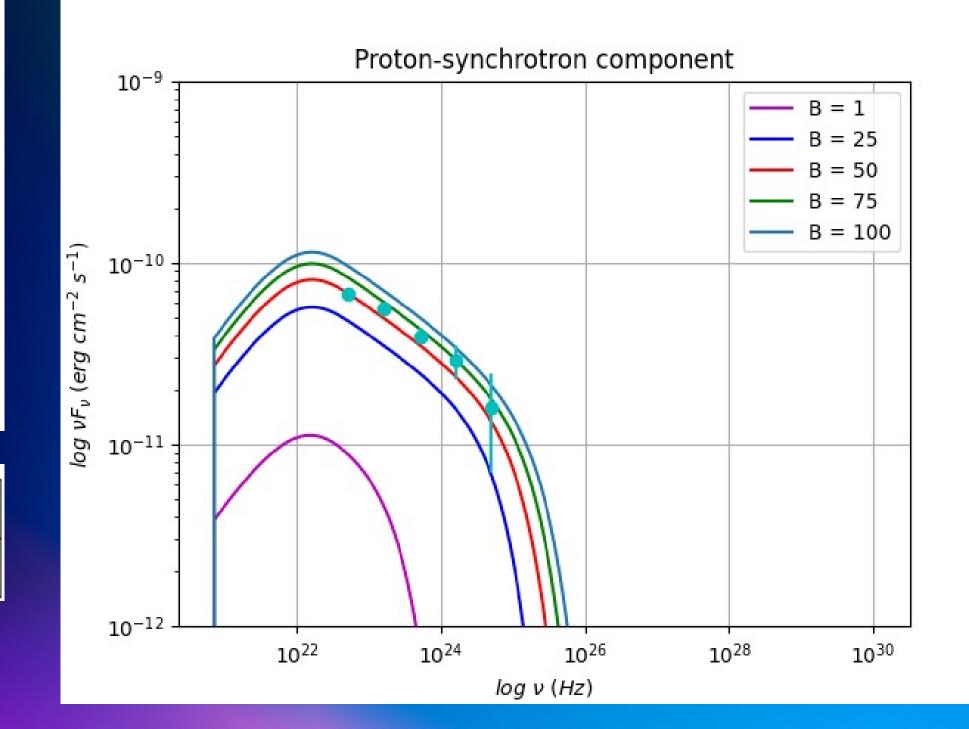
# Magnetic Field

- The proton Luminosity decreases as the magnetic field increases.
- The Poynting-flux Luminosity increases as the magnetic field does.
- Gammabreak decreases as the magnetic field does.

$R_{cl}$	$1 \times 10^{16} \ cm$
au	0.01





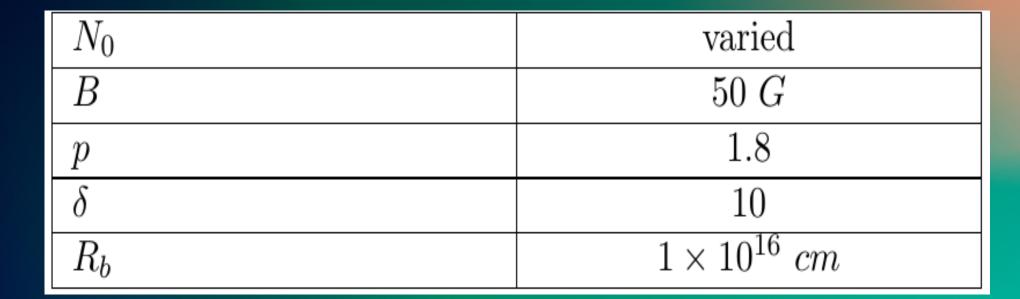


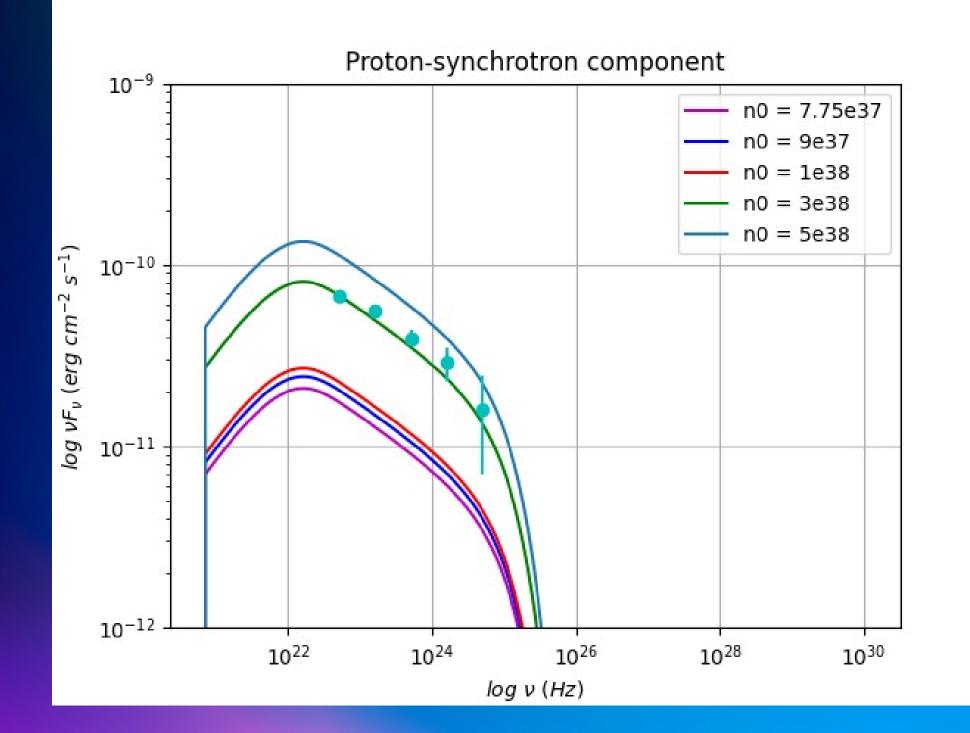
## Normalisation

- The proton Luminosity increases as the normalisation increases.
- The Poynting-flux Luminosity stays stable as the normalisation is varied.
- Gammabreak stays stable as the normalisation varies.

$R_{cl}$	$1 \times 10^{16} \ cm$
au	0.01

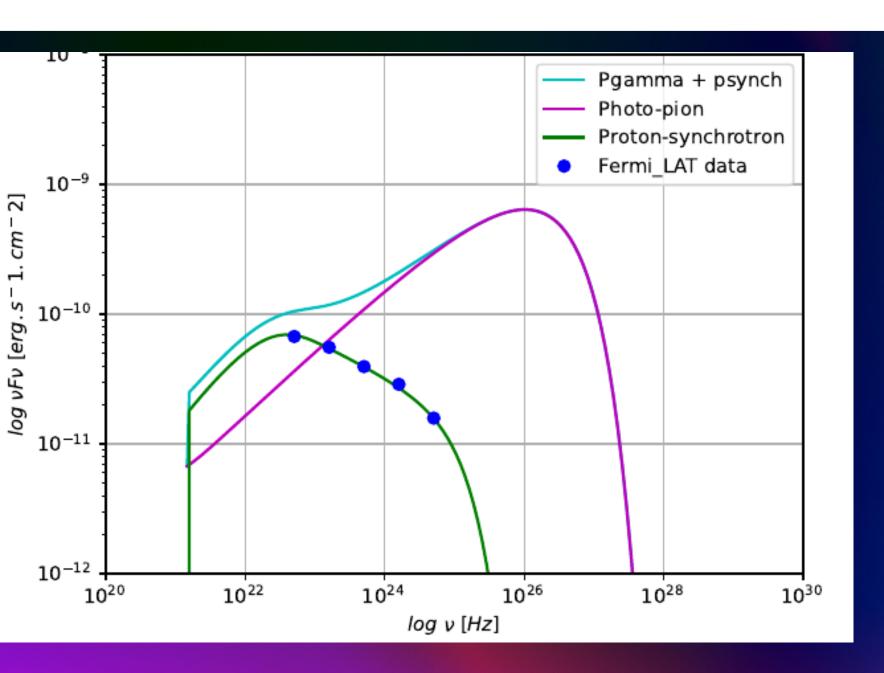






## Results





$N_0$	$7.75 \times 10^{37}$
B	10 G
p	1.5
δ	22.5
$R_b$	$3 \times 10^{16}$

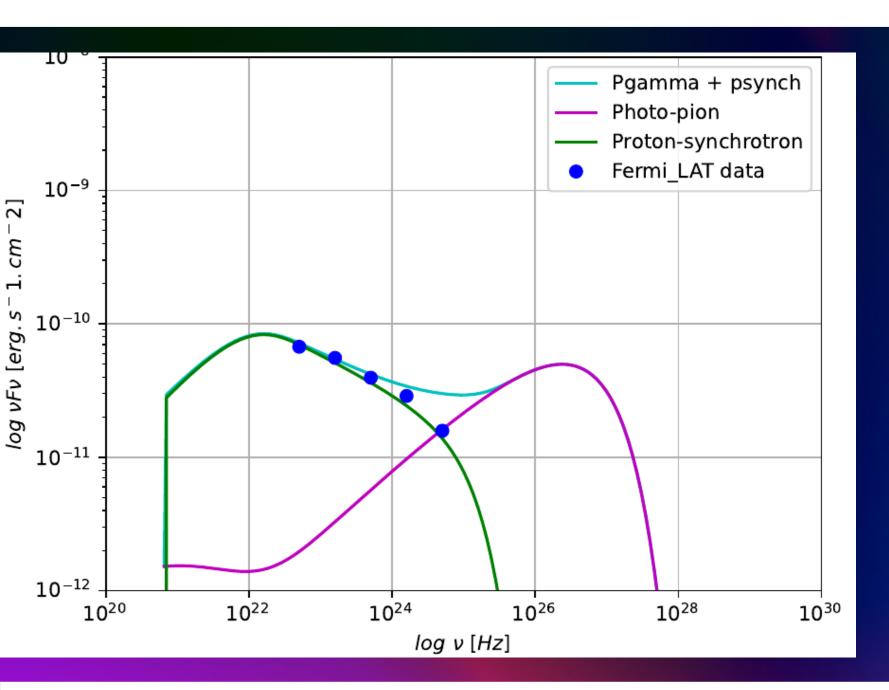
$R_{cl}$	$1 \times 10^{16} \ cm$
au	0.01

$$L_{Sum} \sim 2.8 \times 10^{47} \ erg.s^{-1}$$

- Doppler factor and consequently the Lorentz factor was increased
- Magnetic field was decreased and the Normalisation slightly increased
- Emission is too effective
- Jet power decreased slightly

## Results





$N_0$	$3 \times 10^{38}$
B	53 G
p	1.8
δ	10
$R_b$	$1 \times 10^{16}$

$R_{cl}$	$1 \times 10^{16} \ cm$
au	0.01

$$L_{Sum} \sim 2.9 \times 10^{47} \ erg.s^{-1}$$

- Radius of the emission region was decreased
- Magnetic field was halved
- Emission is what we expect
- Jet power decreased slightly

## Summary



Main take-away: Sub-Eddington luminosities were not found

### Summary

- The synchrotron mirror scenario induces a dense enough target photon field.
- This model does predict a moderate flare in Fermi-LAT, but with a much smaller amplitude than that of the VHE flare.
- This suggests that protons are accelerated to ultra-relativistic energies.
- The flare duration is predicted to be about half an hour long, the runtime of one H.E.S.S. observational run.
- Fermi-LAT typically needs longer integration times than half an hour to get a significant detection of 3C279, which could explain why no flare was seen in the Fermi-LAT light curve.

#### Future work

- Do another parameter study to see if the jet power can be less than the Eddington luminosity. For example, the fraction of reflected photons and cloud radius can be varied independently.
- A comparative study of different models.
  - Multi-zone
  - Combined lepto-hadronic
  - Spine-sheath models.
- Search for neutrino signatures and emission.
- Detection of neutrino emission will also test the models.
- Testing the hadronic synchrotron mirror model on other orphan flares.



# 谢谢 Thank you

Feel free to ask if you have any questions.



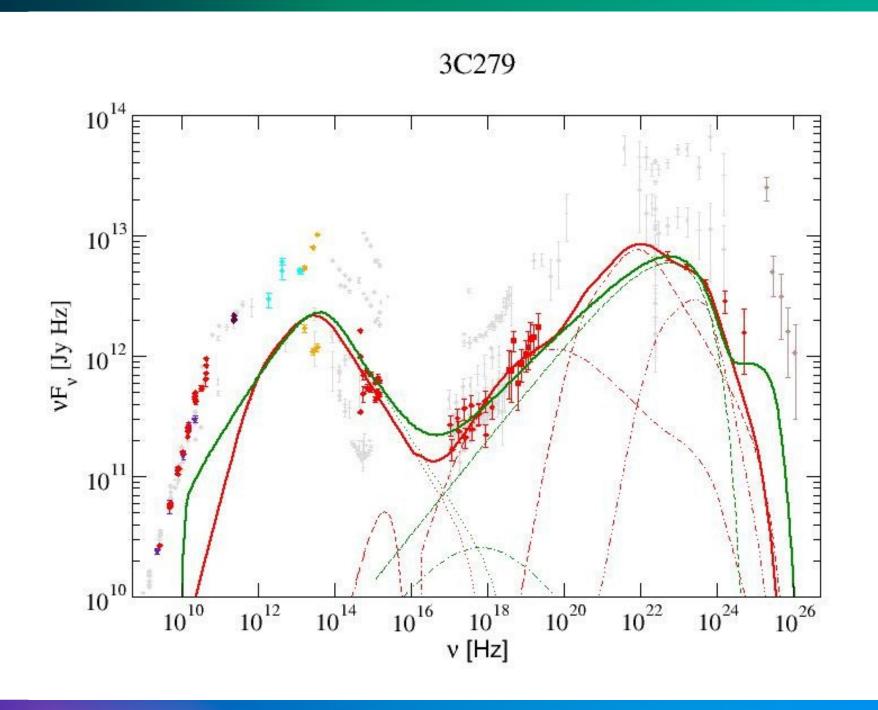


# Appendix



## Motivation

- Leptonic fit Redline
- Lepto-Hadronic fit Greenline
- Electron synchrotron radiation Component 1
- Proton synchrotron radiation Component 2
- Photo-Pion Production Component 3
- We investigate if the photo-pion component can be able to produce the VHE flare.





# The Modelling Process

### The programming steps:

- Get the parameters describing the relativistic proton population from a proton synchrotron fit to the Fermi-LAT gamma-ray spectrum.
- Numerical evaluation of the target photon field as a function of time.
- Pion production and pion-decay products.
- Calculate the γγ-opacity.
- Calculate the resulting electromagnetic cascades to find the emerging SED.



## Feasibility of the mirror model

Will the mirror model actually work?

- Semi-analytical approach
- Target photon density for photo-pion production calculated from basic principles.
- The expression for the energy density of the reflected synchrotron radiation:

$$\langle u'_{R,sy}(t_1) \rangle = \frac{4\Gamma^6 \nu F_{\nu}(sy) d_L^2 \tau R_{cl}^2}{3(R_m - R_b)} \int_0^{\frac{R_m - R_b}{\beta c}} \frac{dt_1}{(R_m - \beta ct_1)^2 (R_m - \frac{\beta ct_1}{2})^2}$$

- A standard integral was used to solve the integrand.
- After simplification a new expression is found where  $xf = \alpha tf$  is the time for photo-pion interactions to take place.
- α is the time it takes the blob to move to the centre of the cloud.
- tf is the total integration time.

$$\langle u'_{R,sy} \rangle = \frac{4\Gamma^6 \nu F_{\nu}(sy) d_L^2 \tau R_{cl}^2}{3(R_m - R_b)} \left( \frac{4}{(\beta c)^4} \left[ \frac{1}{\alpha^2 x_f} + \frac{2}{\alpha^3} \ln \left( \frac{t_f}{2x_f} \right) \right] \right)$$

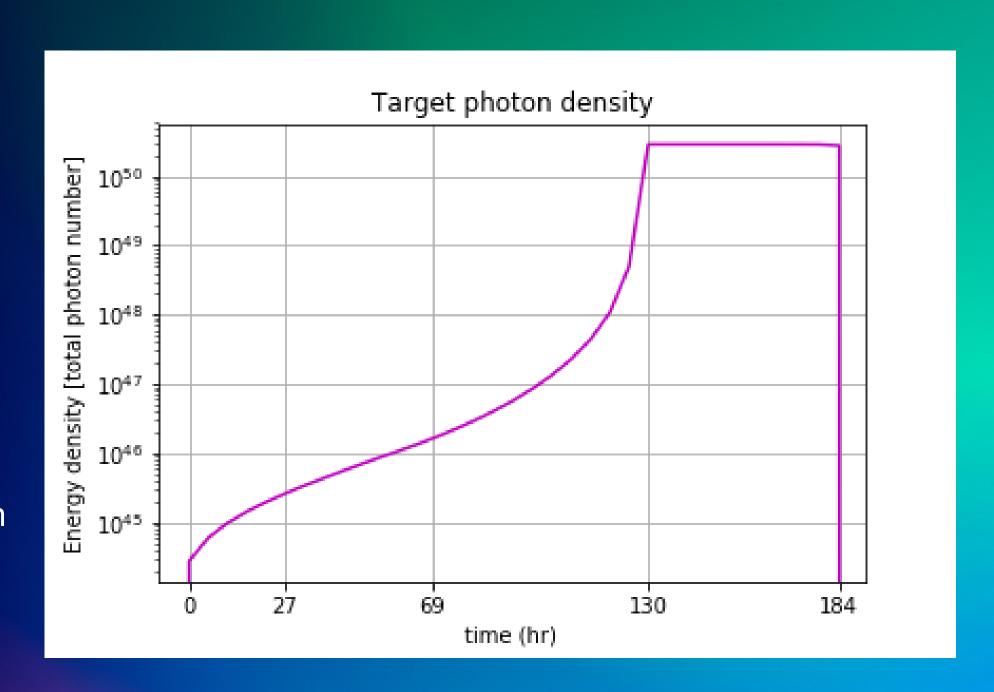
By substituting in all the variables the predicted target photon density can be found



# Target Photon Energy Density

#### Will the mirror model actually work?

- The required target photon energy density: 280 erg·cm-3.
- Estimated actual target photon energy density for standard parameters: 35.2 erg ·cm−3
- Order of magnitude difference.
- By calculating the Lorentz factor for the relativistic protons at the peak of the GEV Fermi-LAT spectrum using the synchrotron frequency.
- The Lorentz factor is used to calculate the synchrotron cooling rate which is compared to the photon-pion energy loss-rates from which the above calculated density is found.
- Conclusively, the target photon field was dense enough for photo-pion production to take place





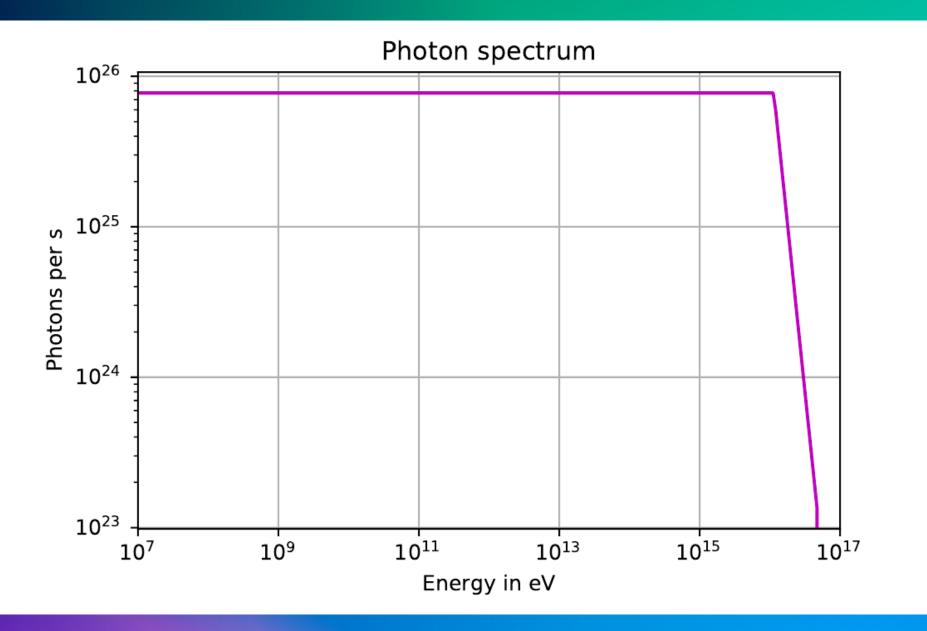


# Photo-pion production

$$\dot{N}_{\gamma}^{\dot{\pi}_{0}}(\epsilon) = \sigma_{0} n_{0} \frac{c N_{0} E_{\Delta}}{2m_{\pi} c^{2}(\alpha + 1)} \times \int_{max[\epsilon \frac{m_{e}}{m_{\pi}}, \gamma_{b}, \frac{E_{\Delta}}{2\epsilon_{2} m_{e} c^{2}}]}^{\gamma_{er, max}} d\gamma_{\pi} \gamma_{\pi}^{-(2+s)} \left( max \left[ \epsilon_{1}, \frac{E_{\Delta}}{2\gamma_{\pi} m_{e} c^{2}} \right] - \epsilon_{2}^{-(\alpha + 1)} \right)$$

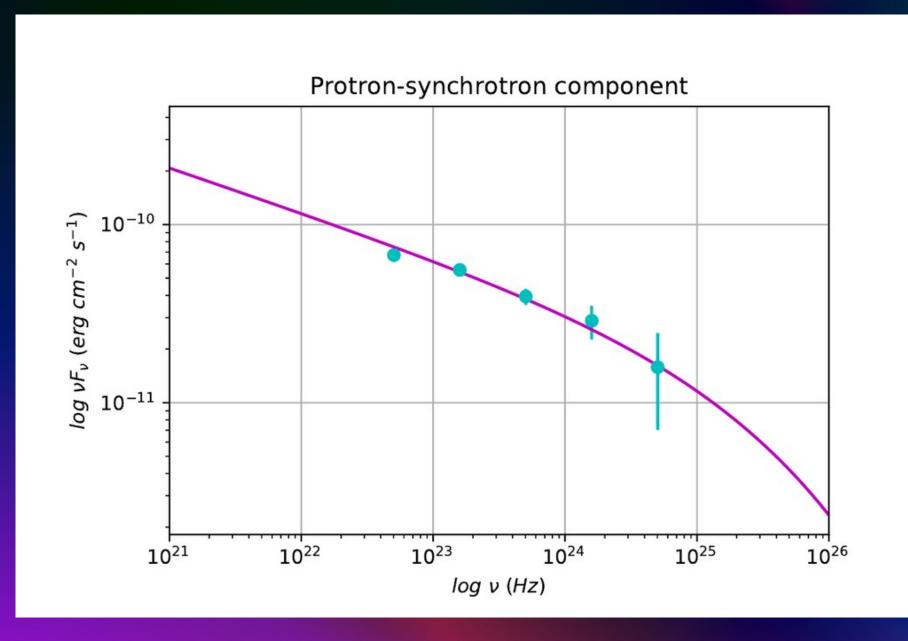
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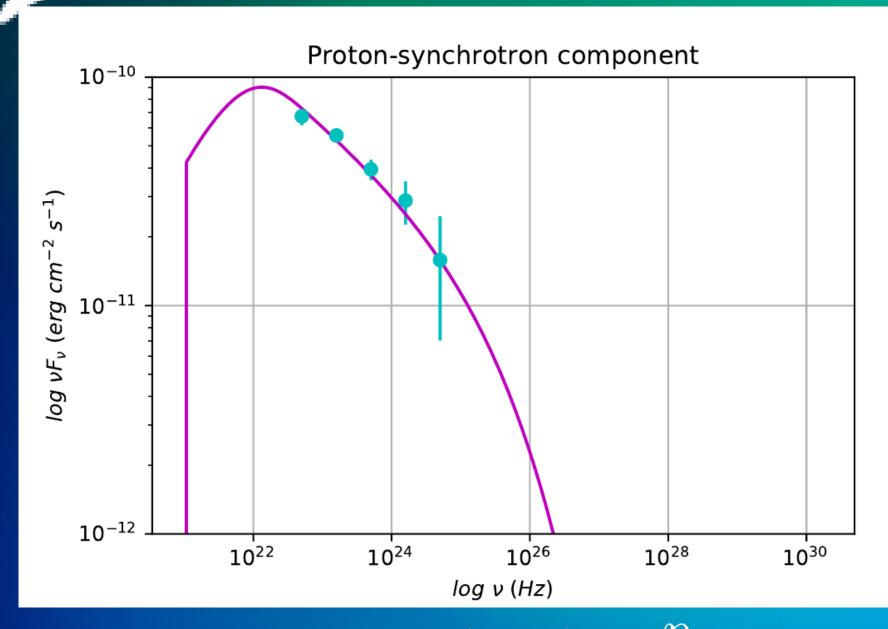
- Photon number spectra
- Use  $\sigma_0 = 2 \times 10-28$  cm<sup>2</sup>, the photo-pion differential cross-section, and  $E\Delta = 330M$  eV, the energy at the threshold for the delta resonance, to find the number spectra.
- The pions are produced near-threshold energy in the proton's rest frame.
- y\_b represents the minimum Lorentz factor beyond which we have the power-law proton spectrum.



## Proton Spectrum,







$$N_p(\gamma_p) = N_0 \gamma_p^{-p}$$

$$N_p(\gamma_p) = N_0 \left(\frac{\gamma_p}{\gamma_b}\right)^{-p_{1,2}} e^{-\frac{\gamma_p}{\gamma_c}}$$

## Cascade Development



- The photons from the photo-pion decay products are injected at high energies into the jet and form pair cascades.
- The cascades cause pair production and are responsible for the synchrotron radiation.

$$N_e(\gamma) = \frac{1}{\nu_0 \gamma^2} \int_{\gamma}^{\infty} d\tilde{\gamma} \left\{ Q_e(\tilde{\gamma}) + \dot{N}_e^{\gamma \gamma}(\tilde{\gamma}) - \frac{N_e(\tilde{\gamma})}{t_{esc}} \right\}$$

# Specific parameter results www •



#### Normalisation varied:

The Eddington Luminosity is: 1.3e+47

n0=7.75e37:

The Proton Luminosity: 5.4e+46

The Poynting-flux Luminosity: 9.4e+46

n0=9e37:

The Proton Luminosity: 6.3e+46

The Poynting-flux Luminosity: 9.4e+46

n0=1e38:

The Proton Luminosity: 6.9e+46

The Poynting-flux Luminosity: 9.4e+46

n0=3e38:

The Proton Luminosity: 2e+47

The Poynting-flux Luminosity: 9.4e+46

n0=5e38:

The Proton Luminosity: 3.5e+47

The Poynting-flux Luminosity: 9.4e+46

#### Magnetic field varied:

The Eddington Luminosity is: 1.3e+47

B=1:

The Proton Luminosity: 1e+49

The Poynting-flux Luminosity: 3.8e+43

B=25:

The Proton Luminosity: 4.2e+47

The Poynting-flux Luminosity: 2.3e+46

B=50:

The Proton Luminosity: 2.1e+47

The Poynting-flux Luminosity: 9.4e+46

B=75:

The Proton Luminosity: 1.4e+47

The Poynting-flux Luminosity: 2.1e+47

B=100:

The Proton Luminosity: 1e+47

The Poynting-flux Luminosity: 3.8e+47