

Cosmic-ray origin via unstable isotope ^{60}Fe produced in supernovae clusters

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1. Introduction

The supernovae remnants (SNR)

promising sites for accelerating particles
persistent, observed across wavebands and messengers

The unstable isotope of iron-60 (^{60}Fe)

- a half-life of 2.6 million years
- only produced in SN explosions

The observed presence of ^{60}Fe

- in cosmic rays
- in deep-sea crusts and sediments indicating cosmic ray production in SN

Two possible acceleration sites

- inside the SN ejecta
- in the enrichment of the circumstellar material around the SN progenitors → **our focus in this poster!**

interstellar ^{60}Fe inflow from past supernova activities in the Local Bubble

3D HD simulations:
[-400 pc, 400 pc]
Resolution: 0.781 pc

Including the effects of:

- identified 14 SN explosions, using *Gaia* EDR3, subgroups of the Scorpius-Centaurus OB association
- Monte Carlo-type approach for the trajectories
- initial mass-dependent age & stellar winds loss
- the radioisotopes ejected during the past explosions (^{60}Fe , ^{26}Al , ^{53}Mn , and ^{244}Pu)

Snapshot:

taken before the next SN explosion at $(X, Y, Z) = (99.32, -18.04, 55.57)$ pc, with initial mass $13.28 M_{\odot}$

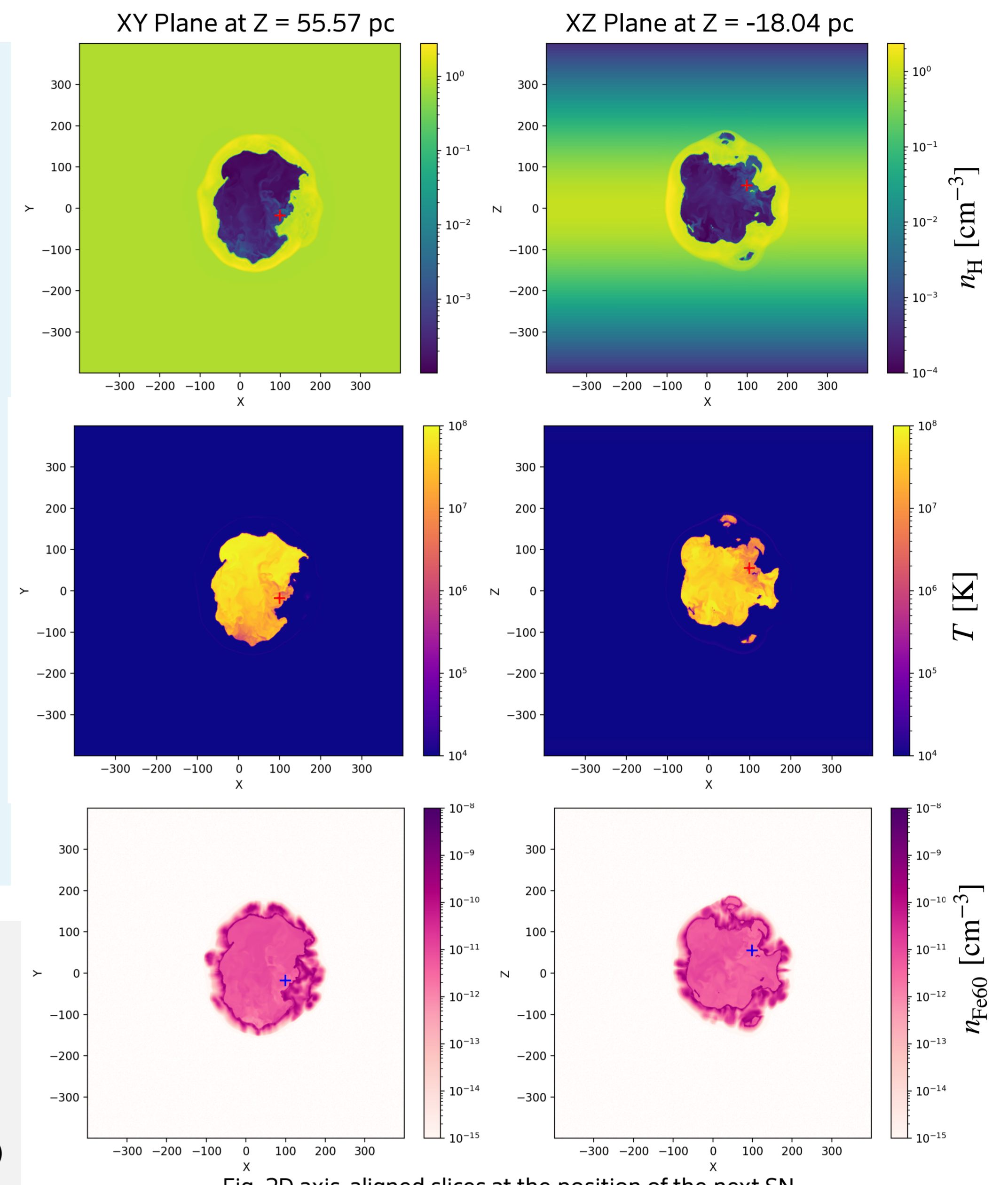


Fig. 2D axis-aligned slices at the position of the next SN.

2. Numerical Setup

Hydrodynamic

Input data:

CCSN Ejecta: Chevalier 1982

Ambient environment: Snapshot of the Local Bubble, convert from 3D to 1D from different directions

$$E_{\text{ej}} = 10^{51} \text{ erg}$$

$$M_{\text{ej}} = 8.32 M_{\odot}$$

PLUTO

pure HD

Geometry:

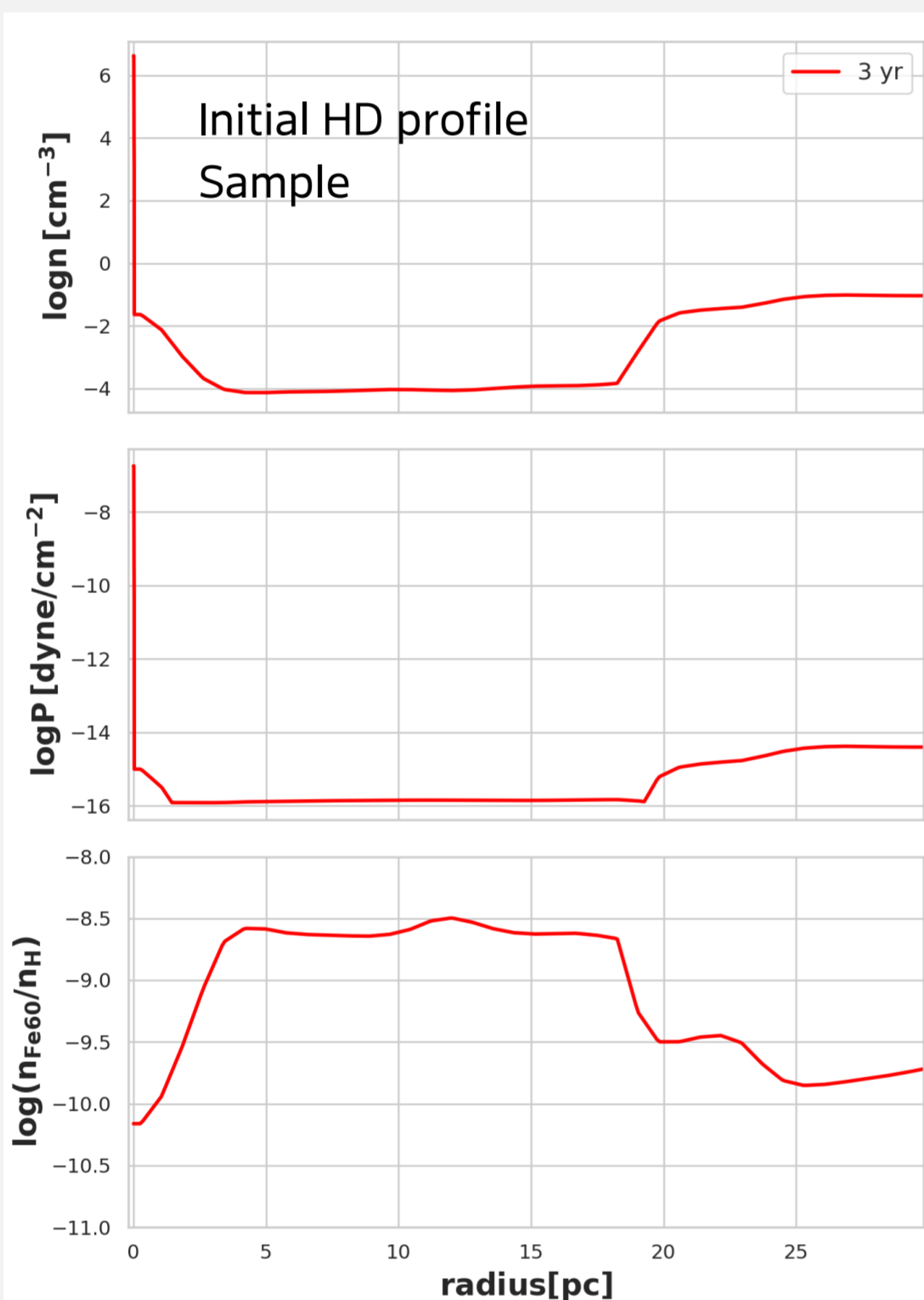
1D, Spherical

Resolution:

$$3 \times 10^{-4} \text{ pc}$$

^{60}Fe ratio:

passive tracer



Particle acceleration

RATPaC (Radiation Acceleration Transport Parallel Code)

The cosmic ray (CR) transport equation

$$\frac{\partial N(p, r, t)}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot (D \nabla N - v N) - \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \left[\left(\dot{p} N \right) - \frac{\nabla v}{3} N p \right] + Q(p, r, t)$$

Large-scale magnetic field:

$$r < R_{\text{sh}} \text{ (downstream)} \quad B(r) \propto n_{\text{H}}^{2/3}$$

$$r > R_{\text{sh}} \text{ (upstream)} \quad B = 5 \mu\text{G} \text{ or } \propto n_{\text{H}}^{2/3}$$

Spatial diffusion

$$D = D_0 \left(\frac{pc}{10 \text{ GeV}} \right)^{\alpha} \left(\frac{B}{3 \mu\text{G}} \right)^{-\alpha}$$

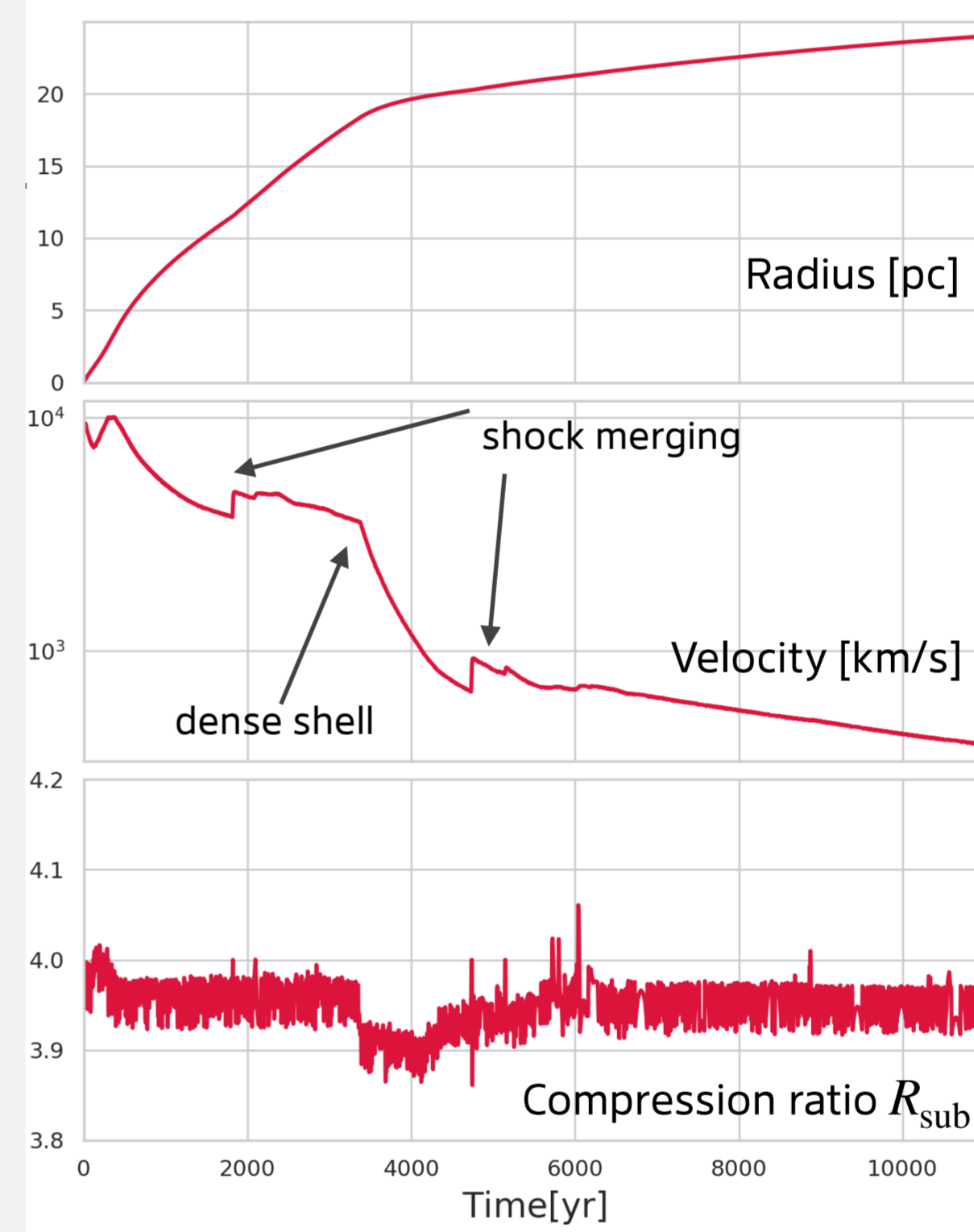
$$r < R_{\text{sh}}, \text{ Bohm diffusion } \alpha = 1, D_0 \propto cr_g/3 = pc/qB,$$

↕ an exponential transition in between

$$r > 2R_{\text{sh}}, \text{ Kolmogorov diffusion } \alpha = 1/3, D_0 = 10^{29} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

The source term: Q

Particle injection with thermal leakage injection model: particles with sufficiently high energies can cross a shock front.



Time evolution of the forward shock (FS)

- Free expansion stage v_{sh} from ~ 10000 km/s to ~ 3600 km/s, $R_{\text{sub}} \sim 4$
- Deceleration due to the interaction with the dense shell, $v_{\text{sh}} < 1000$ km/s, $R_{\text{sub}} \sim 3.9$
- Shock merging weak reflected shocks catch up with the FS, accelerate the FS for several times

3. Results

Particle Momentum Spectrum of proton and ^{60}Fe

- a power law, with index -2

N_{Fe60} is multiplied by a factor of 10^{10}

- Two peaks/a bump in higher energy range:

higher-energy peak: acceleration in the early stage, v_{sh} is fast

lower-energy peak: in the later stage, slow v_{sh} but in a denser area, more particle injections

Differences:

- Diffusion coefficient $D \propto r_g$
- Injection momentum per nucleon $p_{\text{inj}} \propto m^{-1/2}$
- Maximum achievable momentum $p_{\text{max}} \propto r_g^{-1} v_{\text{sh}}^2$
- Variation of ^{60}Fe injection fractions in different "radius/stages"

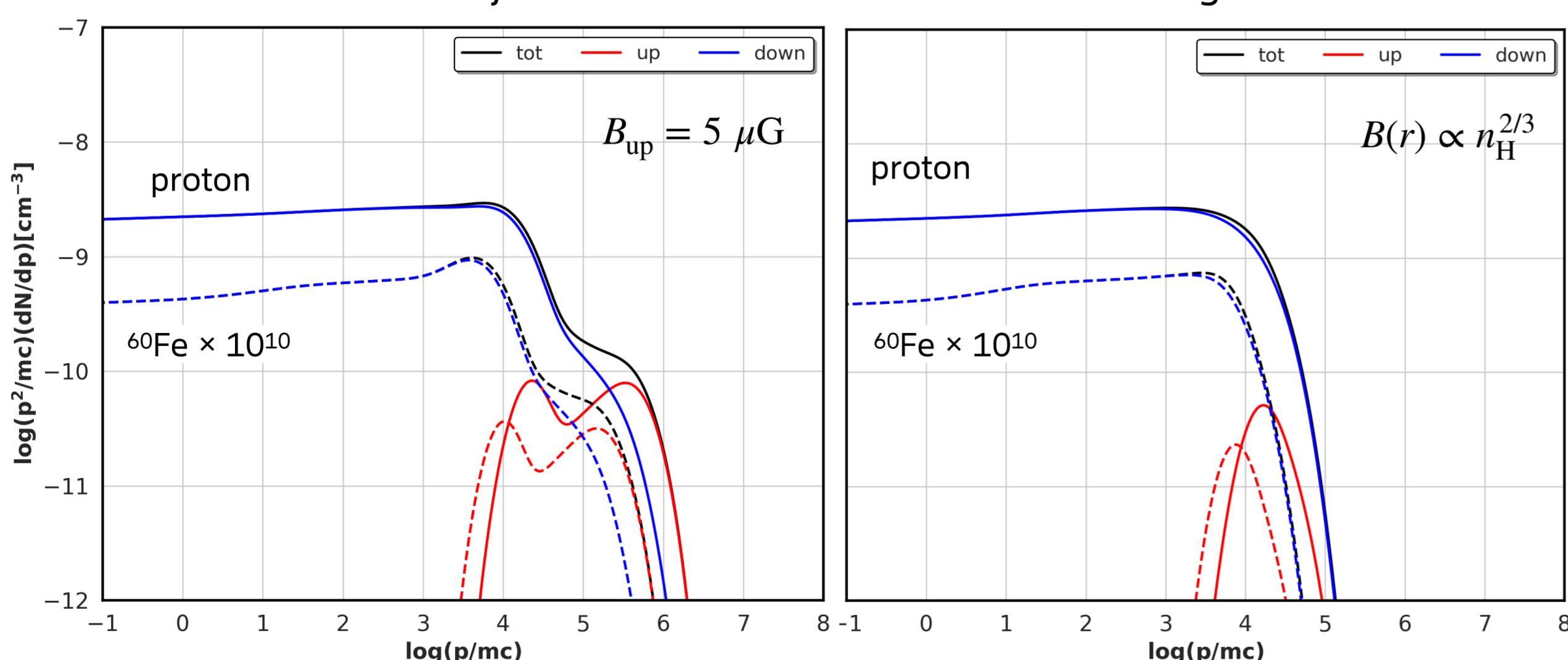
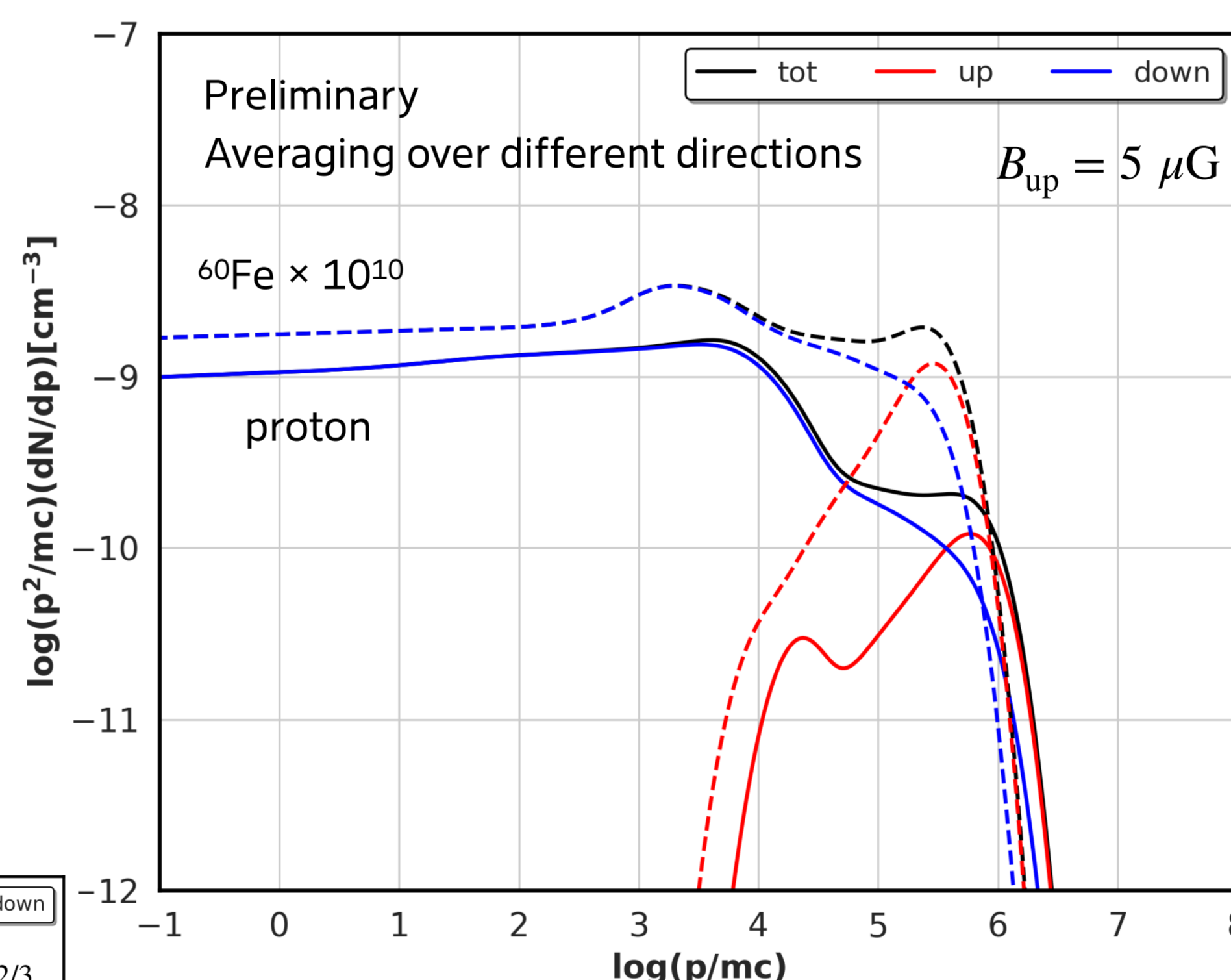


Fig. Proton (solid) and iron-60 (dashed) momentum spectra as function of momentum per nucleon at 10 kyr after the SN explosion.



Different assumptions for B in the upstream

Magnetic field in the bubble becomes significantly diminished to $\sim 0.01 \mu\text{G}$, limiting the maximum achievable energy

Future works:

- More directions, more data
- Further investigations: small spectra differences near the high energy cut-off
- Acceleration inside the supernova ejecta: Reverse shock

4. Conclusions

- We investigate the accelerations of protons and ^{60}Fe , within the ambient environment of several past SN-generated Local Bubble.
- Using RATPaC, the CR transport equation and the HD utilising PLUTO were solved simultaneously in 1-D spherical symmetry.
- The time evolution of ^{60}Fe mass ratio is tracked independently using passive scalars.

We calculate and compare the momentum spectra of the proton and ^{60}Fe as function of momentum per nucleon at 10 kyr after the SN explosion in the Local Bubble.

- Inside the bubble, higher ^{60}Fe fraction with faster shock speed, results in greater ^{60}Fe injection fraction at higher energies
- Different assumptions for large-scale magnetic fields can have significant effects on the spectra

