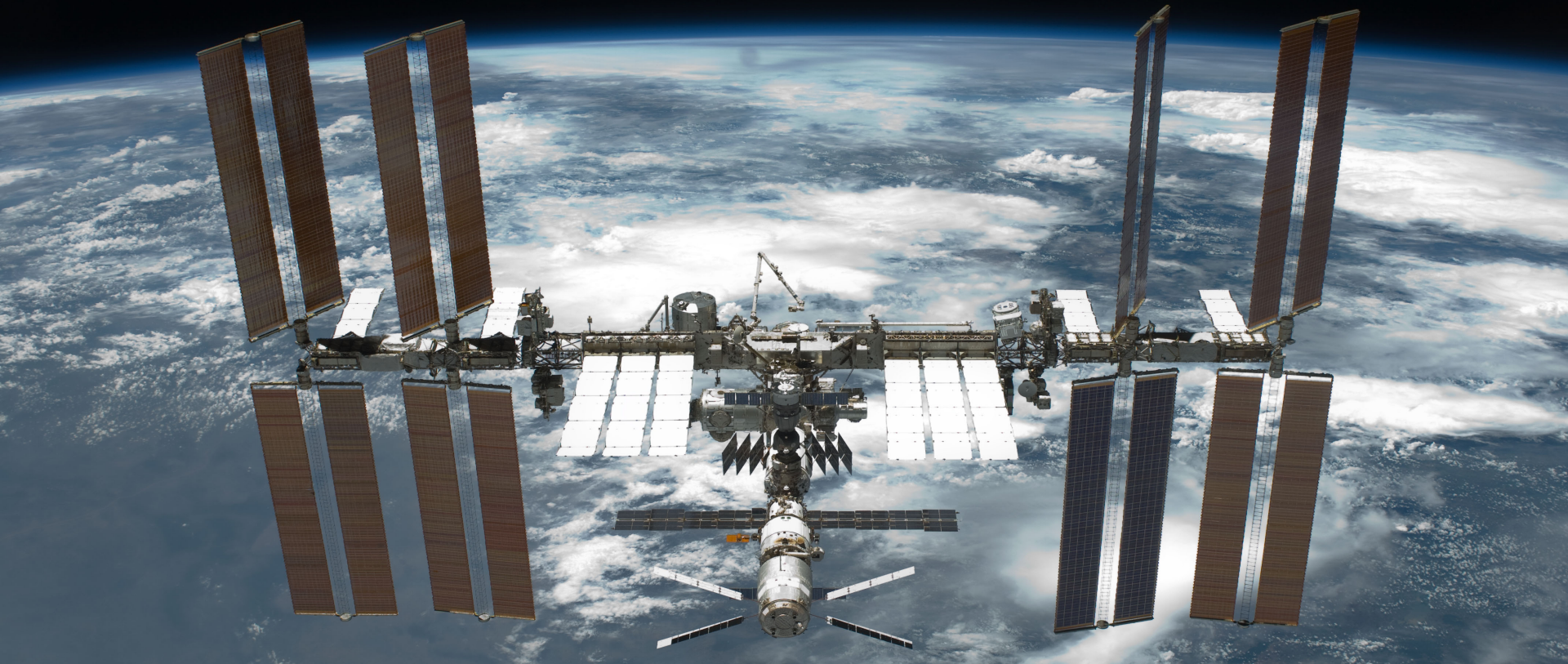




2nd EMMI Workshop: Anti-matter, hyper-matter and exotica production at the LHC

The AMS-02 detector on the ISS



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Outline

Not more than:

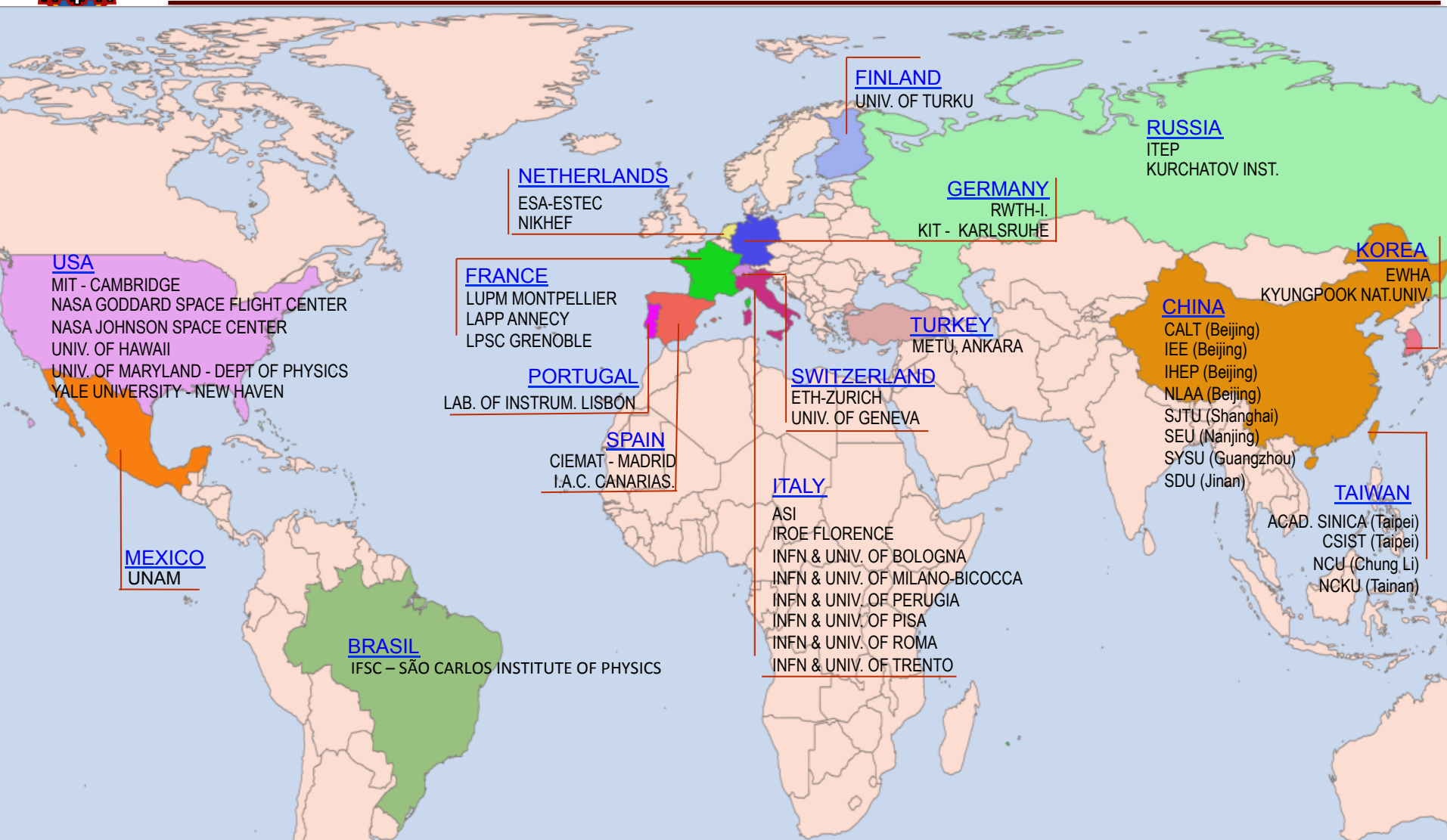
- The AMS detector and its science

- The scientific results of AMS

... but I'll try to focus on “details” relevant for the workshop



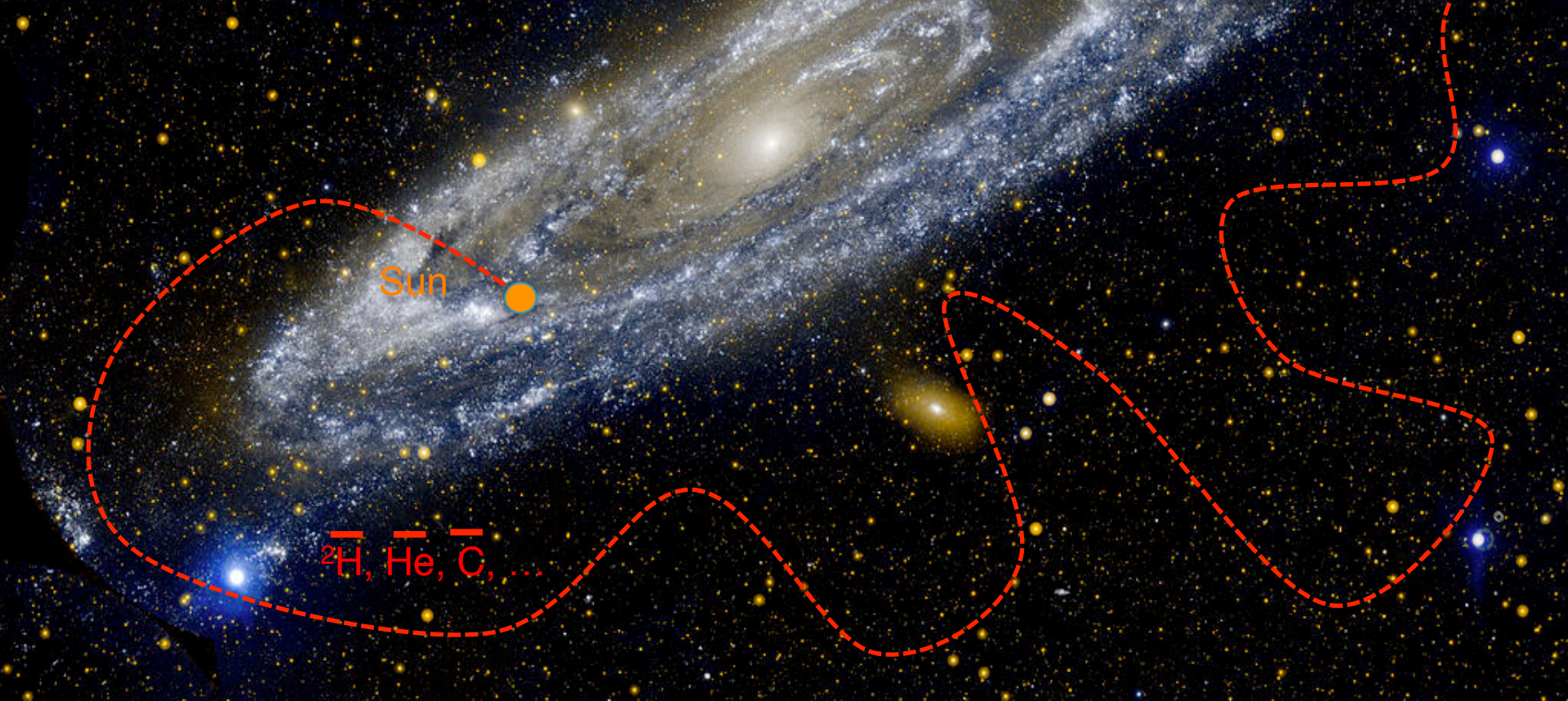
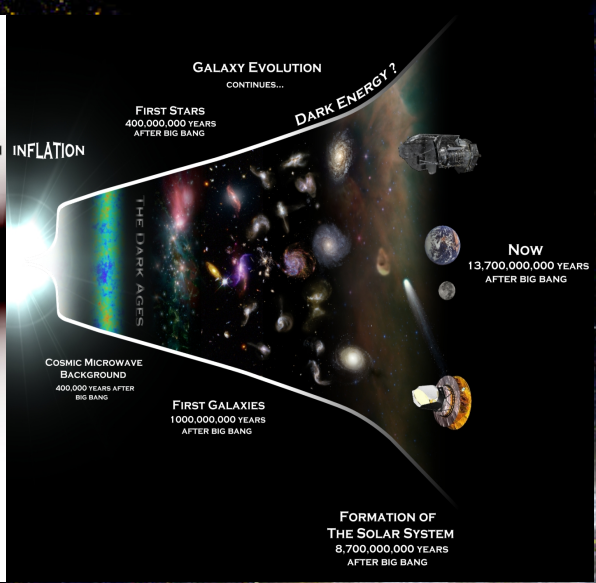
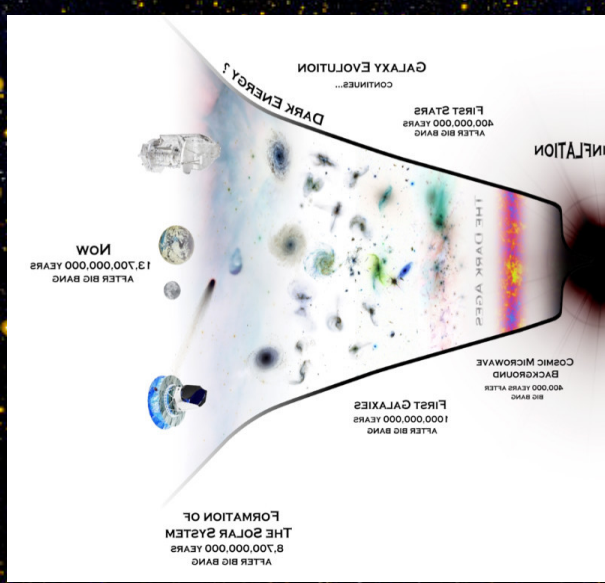
AMS Collaboration: since 1995





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Dark Matter search

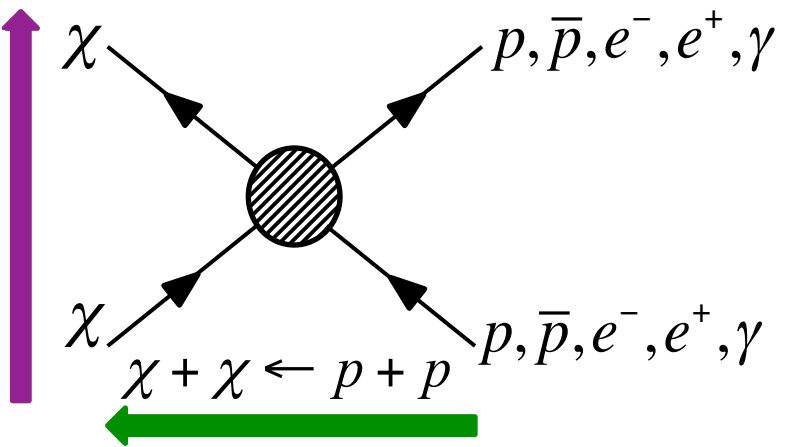
Annihilation

$$\chi + \chi \rightarrow p, \bar{p}, e^-, e^+, \gamma$$



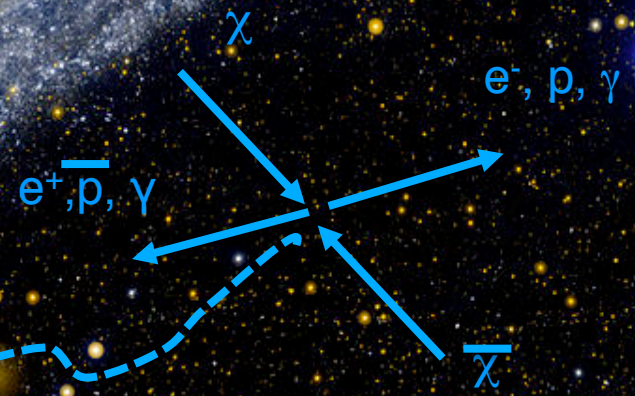
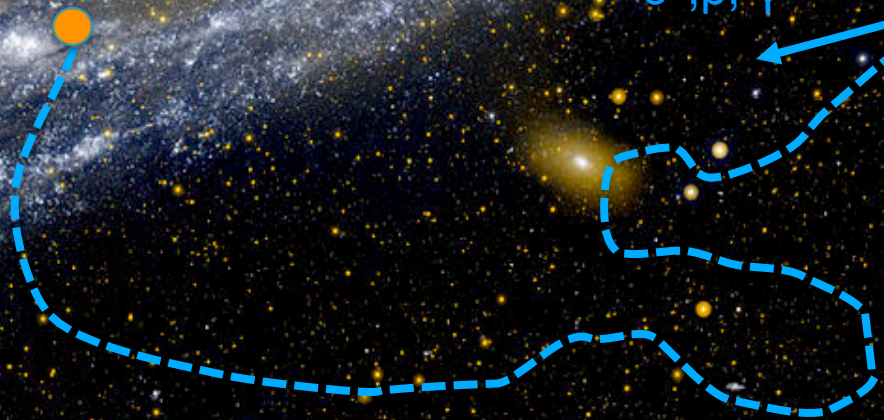
Scattering

$$\chi + p \rightarrow \chi + p$$



Production

Sun



p, He, C..., e⁻

Sun

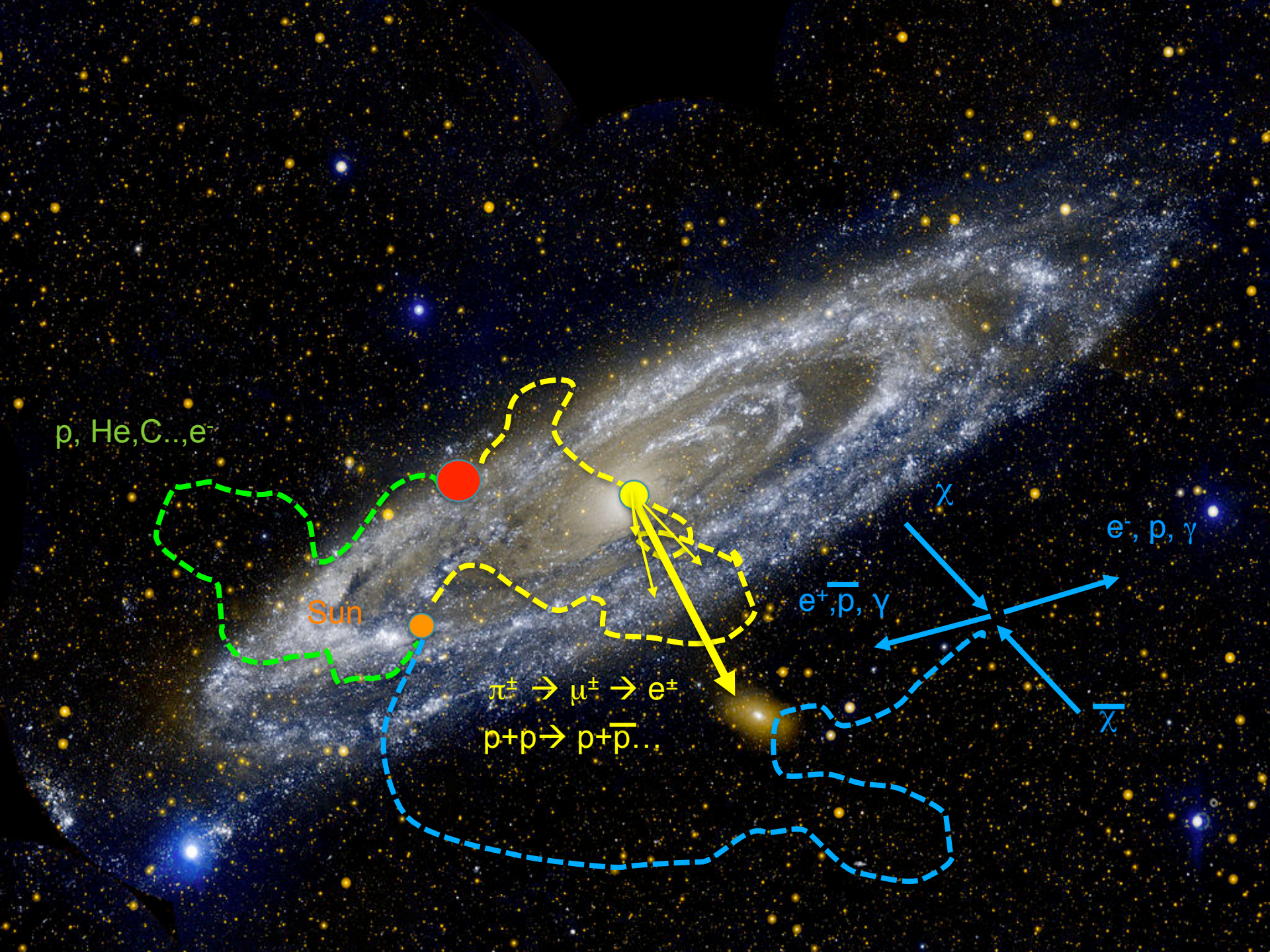
$\pi^{\pm} \rightarrow \mu^{\pm} \rightarrow e^{\pm}$
 $p+p \rightarrow p+\bar{p}...$

e^+, \bar{p}, γ

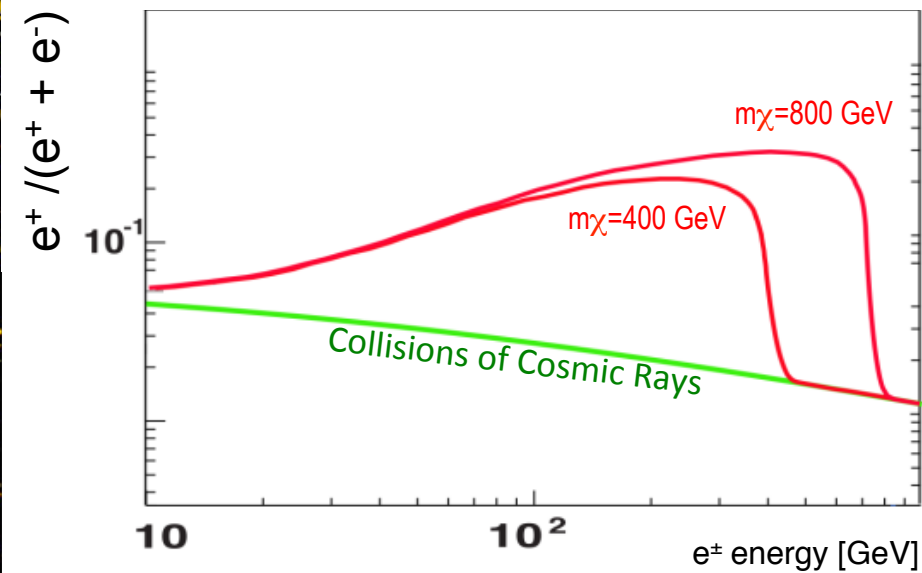
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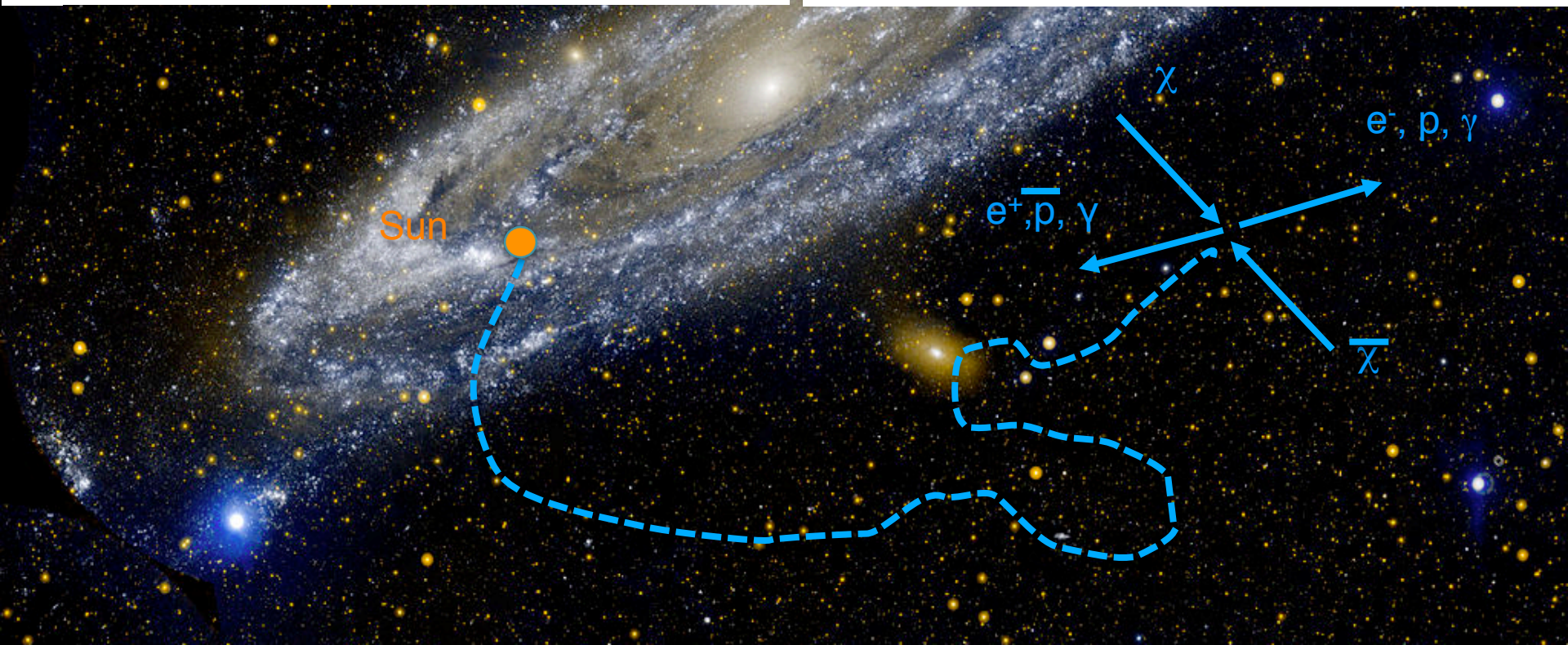
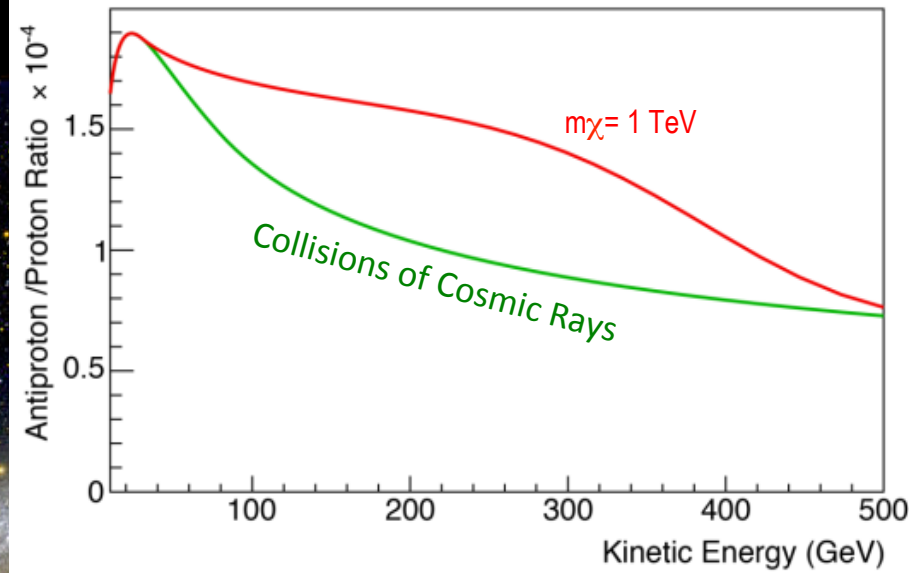
$\bar{\chi}$



Positrons: $\chi + \chi \rightarrow e^+ + \dots$



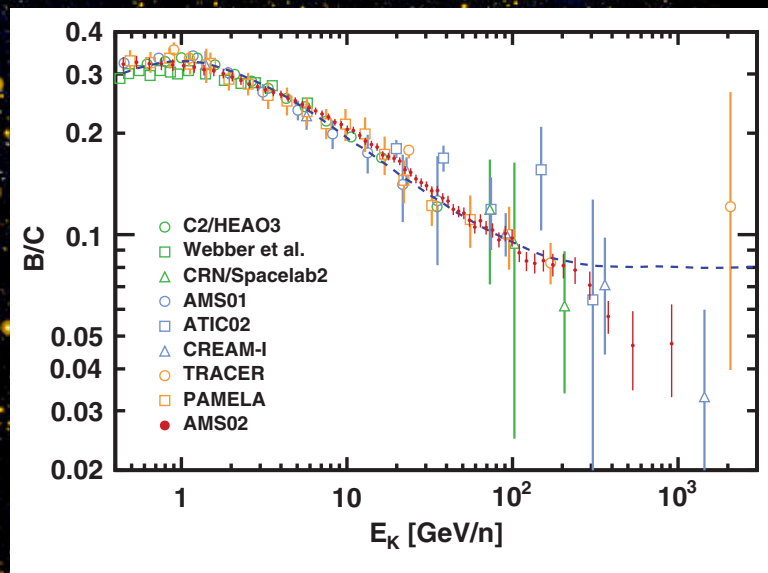
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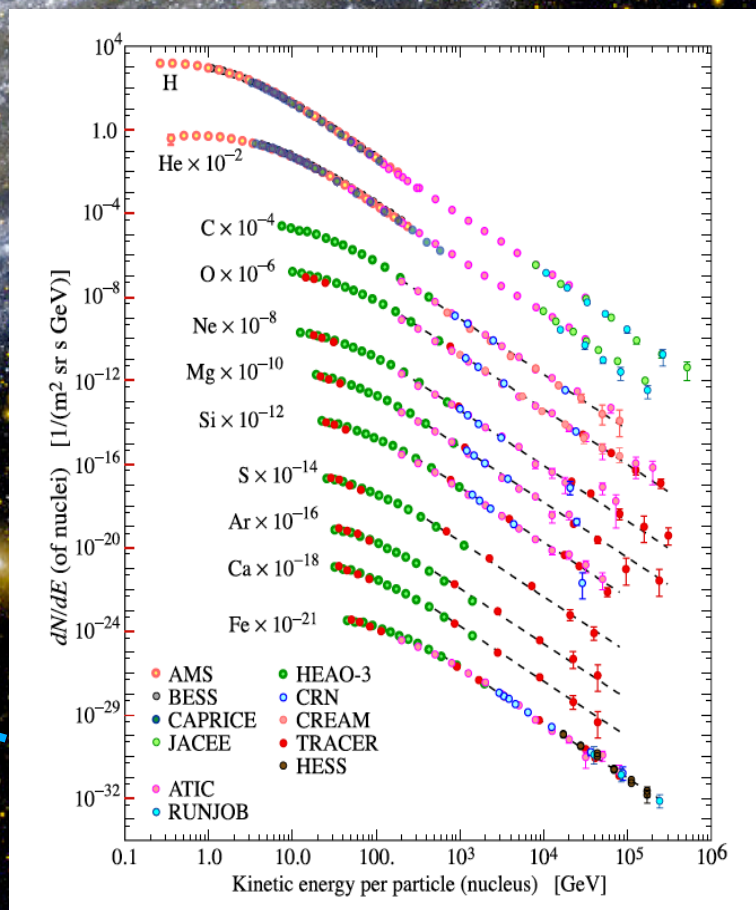
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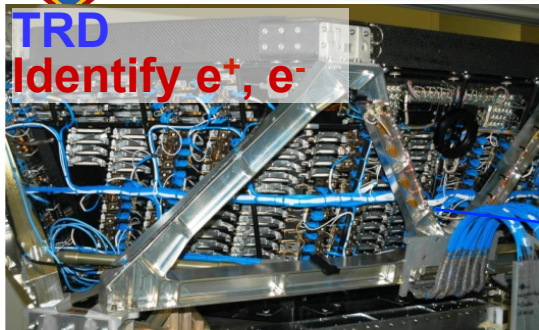


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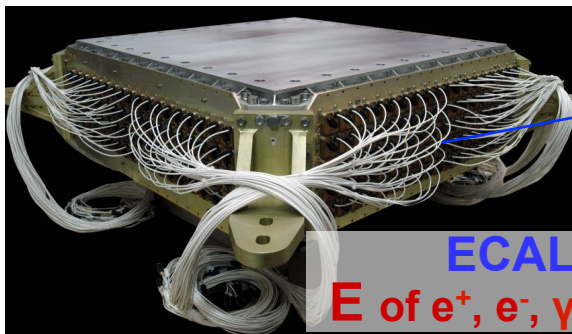
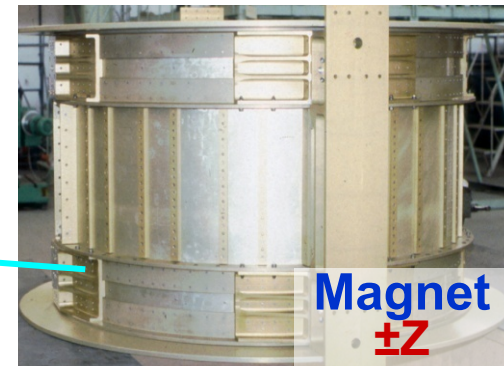
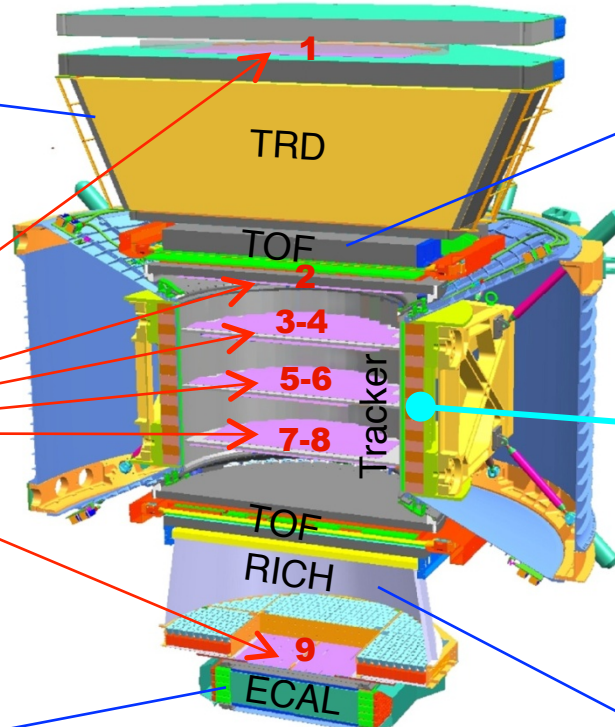
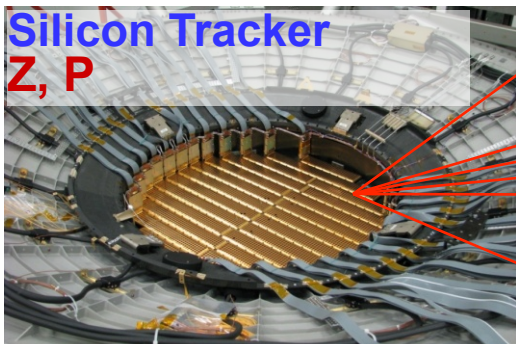
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 - geomagnetic cutoff



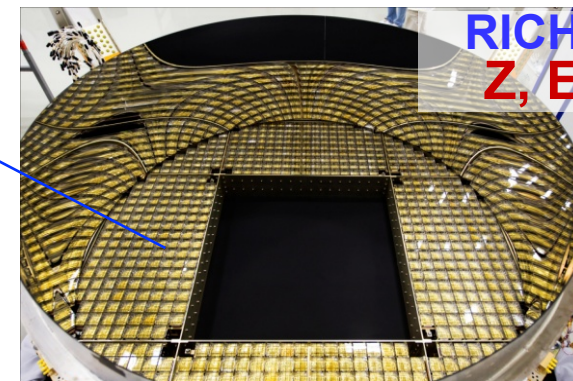
Alpha Magnetic Spectrometer – AMS-02



Z , P are measured independently by Tracker, RICH, TOF and ECAL

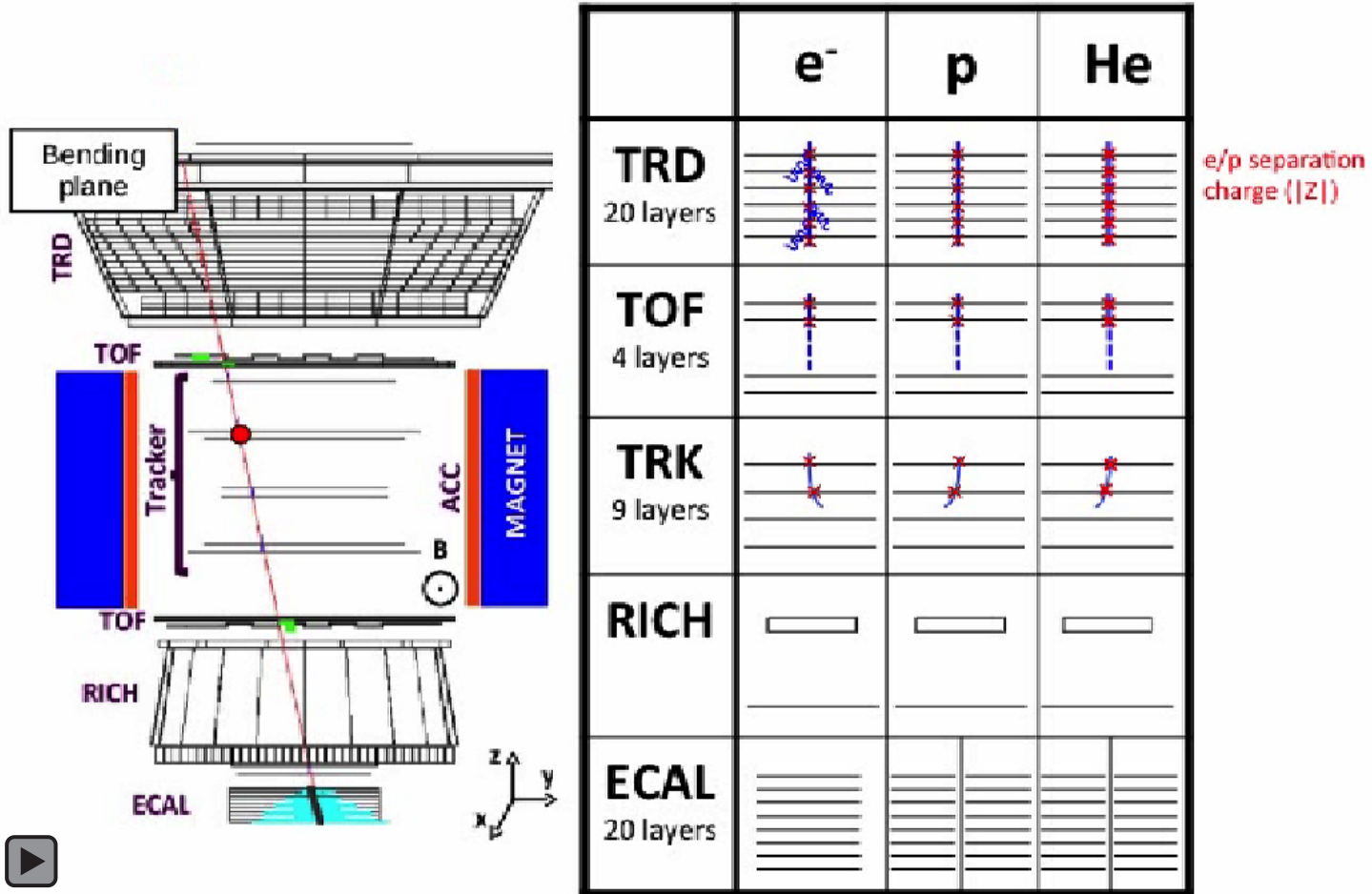


- weight: 7 tons
- power consumption: 2.5 kW
- readout channels: 300k
- transmission bandwidth: ~10 Mbps





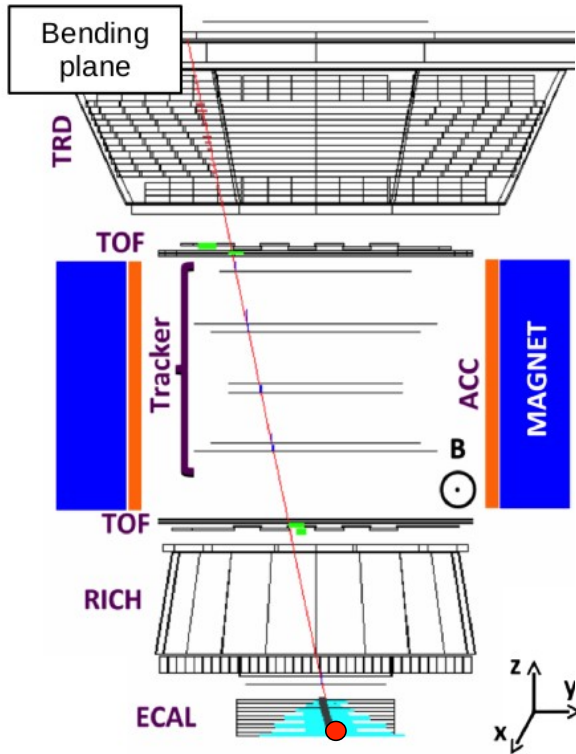
Single particle identification





Single particle identification

Full coverage of **anti-matter** and **CR physics**



	e^-	p	He	
TRD 20 layers				e/p separation charge ($ Z $)
TOF 4 layers				trigger velocity (β) charge ($ Z $)
TRK 9 layers				momentum (p) sign ($\pm Q$) charge ($ Z $)
RICH				velocity (β) charge ($ Z $)
ECAL 20 layers				e^\pm energy e/h separation y trigger



AMS launch and data taking start: May 2011

AMS in the Shuttle Endeavour (STS134) canister

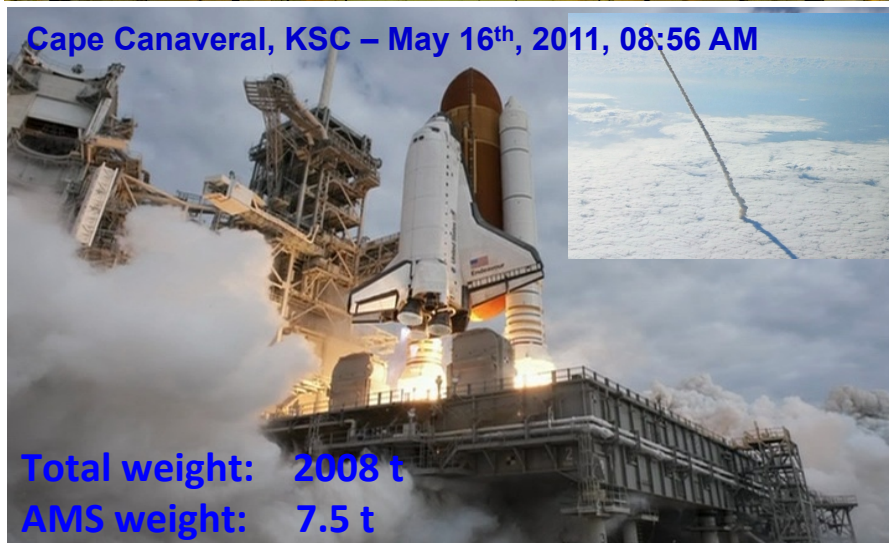


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Houston, JSC – May 16th, 2011 @ 07:56 AM



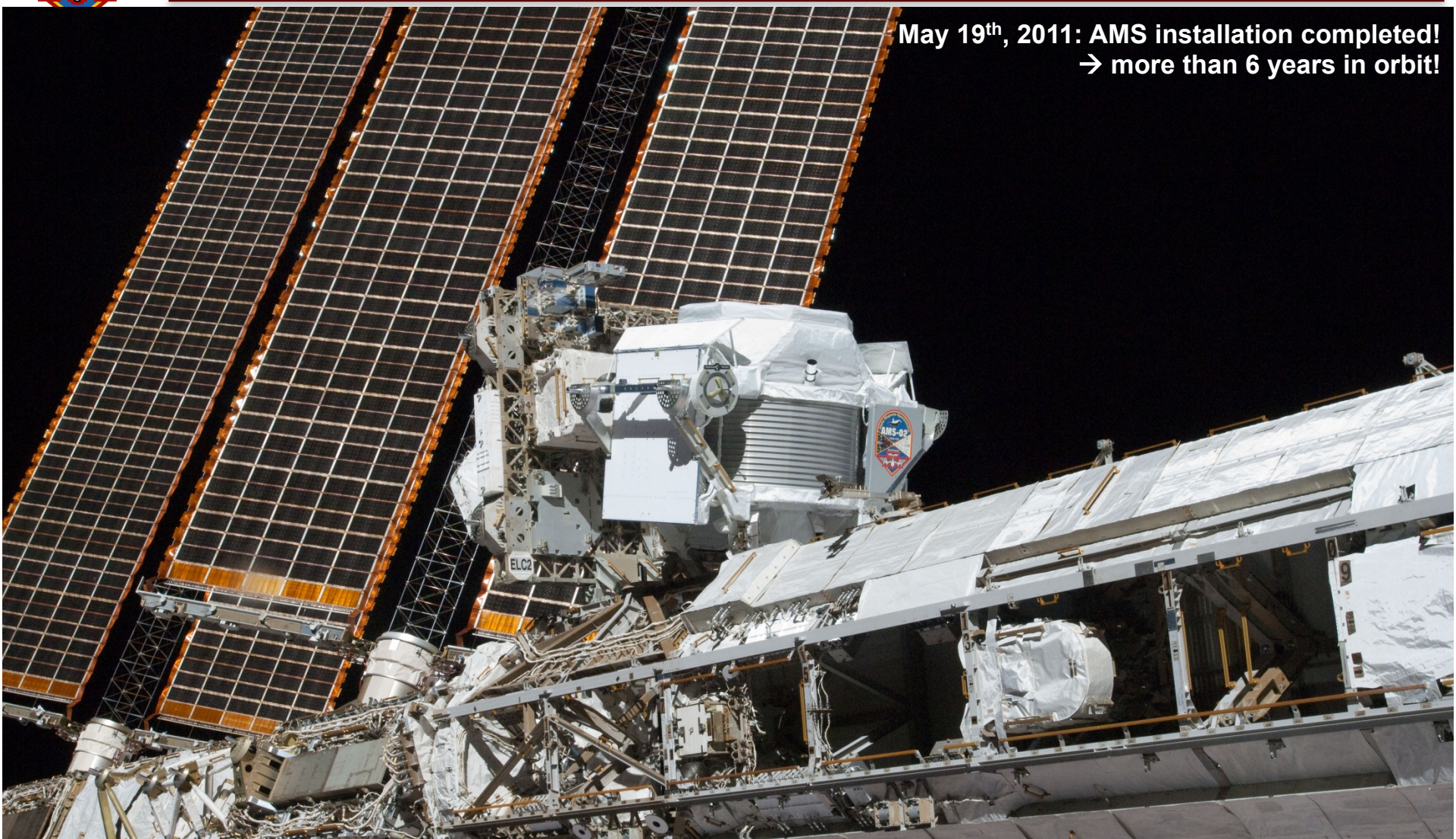
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Total weight: 2008 t
AMS weight: 7.5 t



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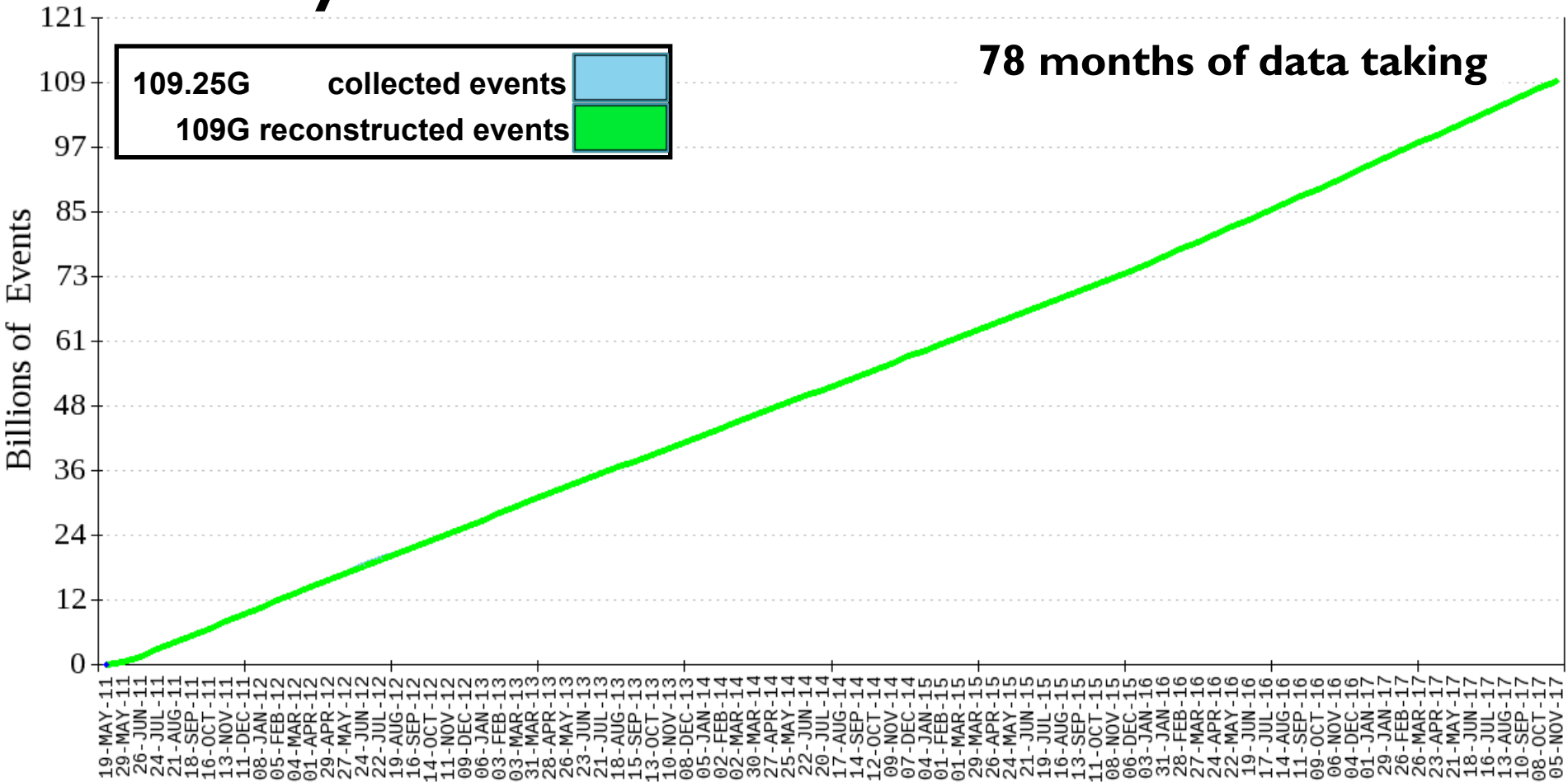


May 19th, 2011: AMS installation completed!
→ more than 6 years in orbit!

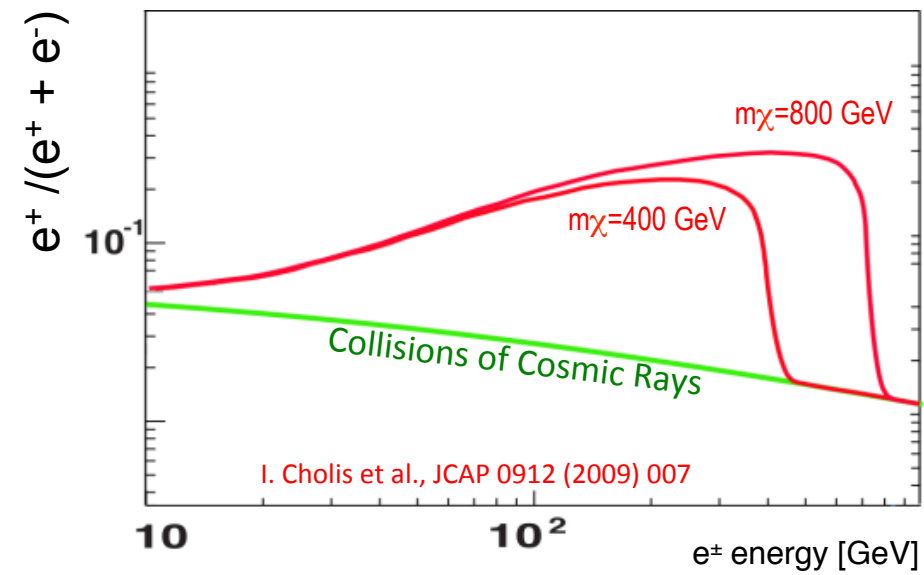


The collected statistics

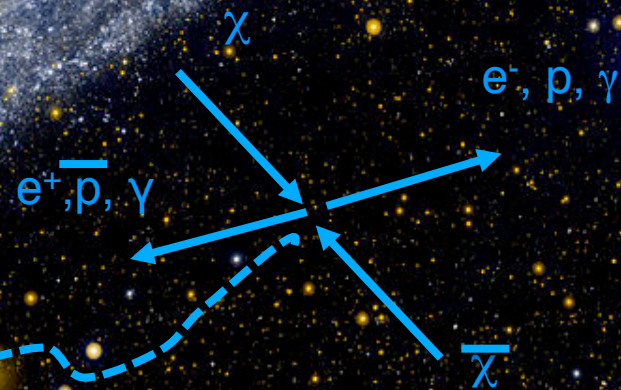
Today AMS collected ~ 110 billion of events



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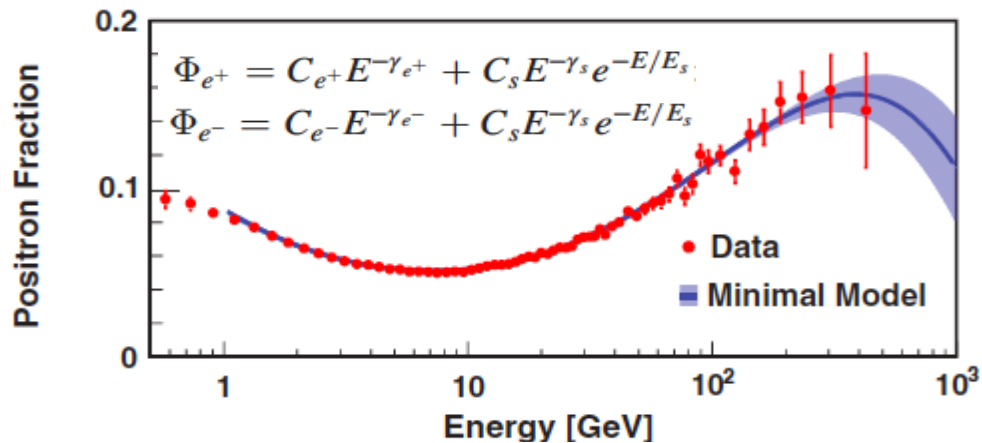
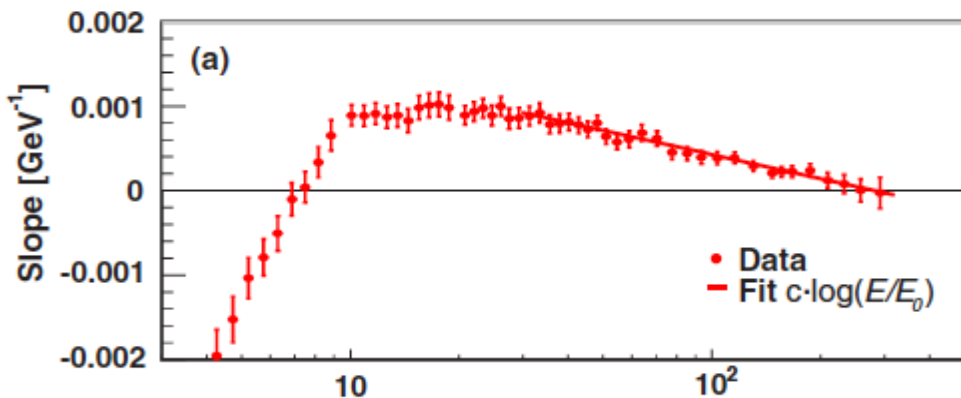
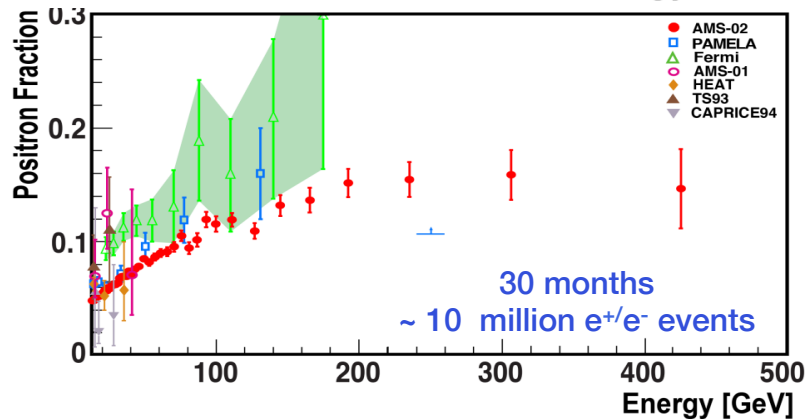
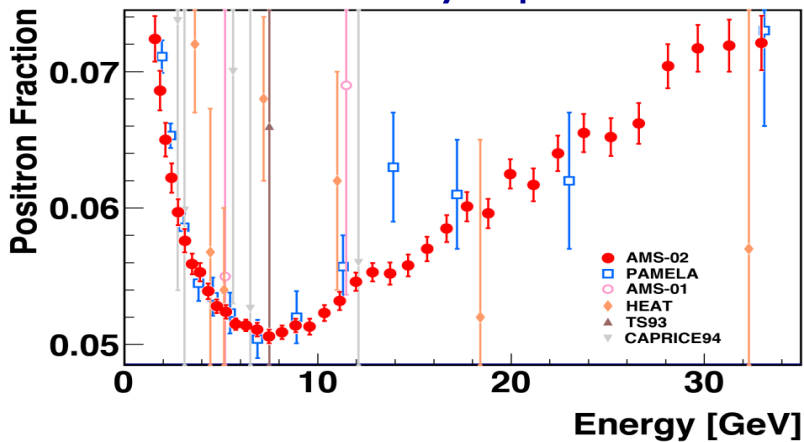
Sun





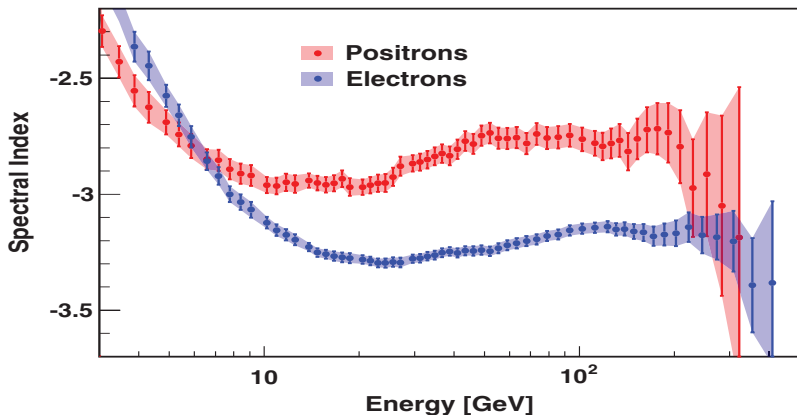
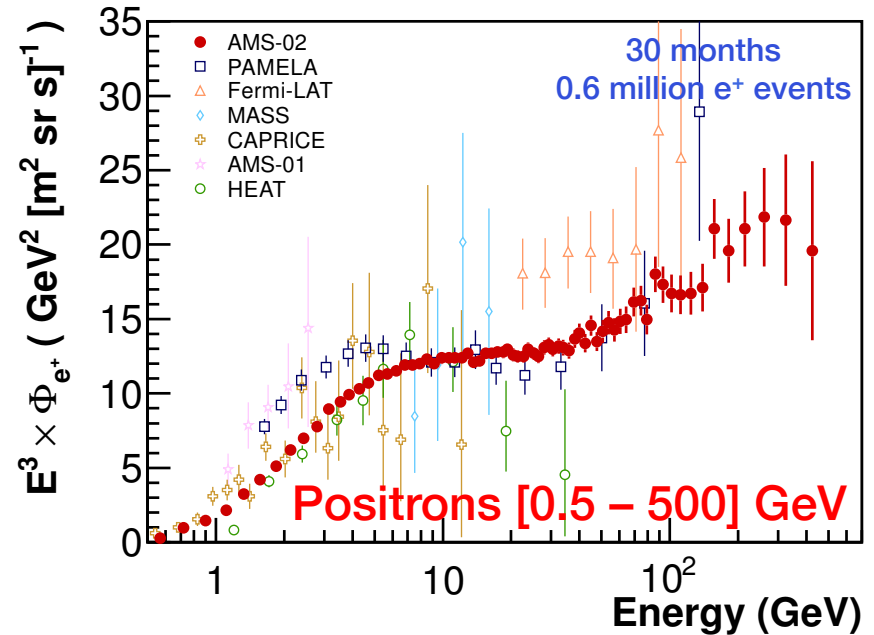
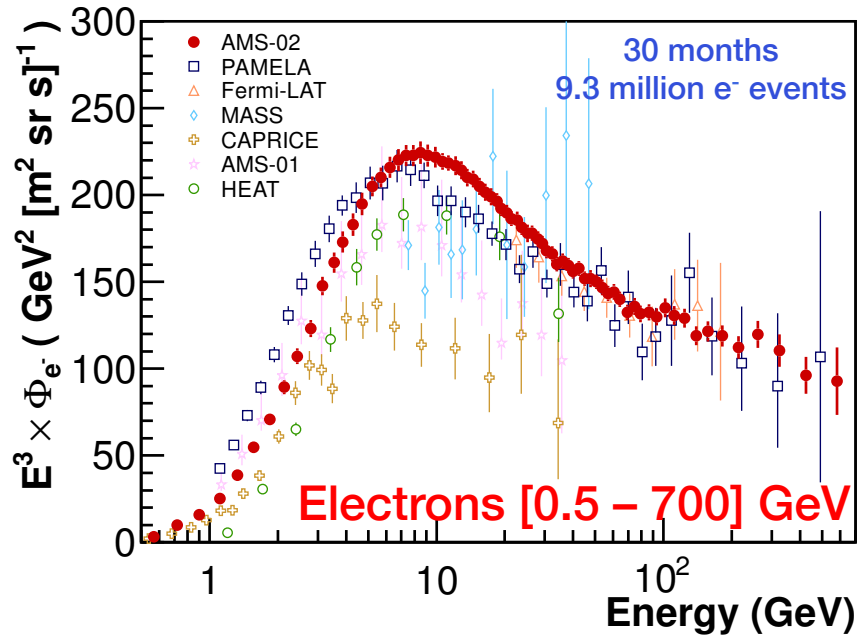
Positron fraction (PRL 110, 141102 - 2013 & 113, 121101 - 2014)

- ✓ No evidence of structures
- ✓ Steady increase up to ~ 275 GeV
- ✓ Well described by a power law + cut-off term, common for e^+/e^-





Positron and electron fluxes (PRL 113, 121102 - 2014)



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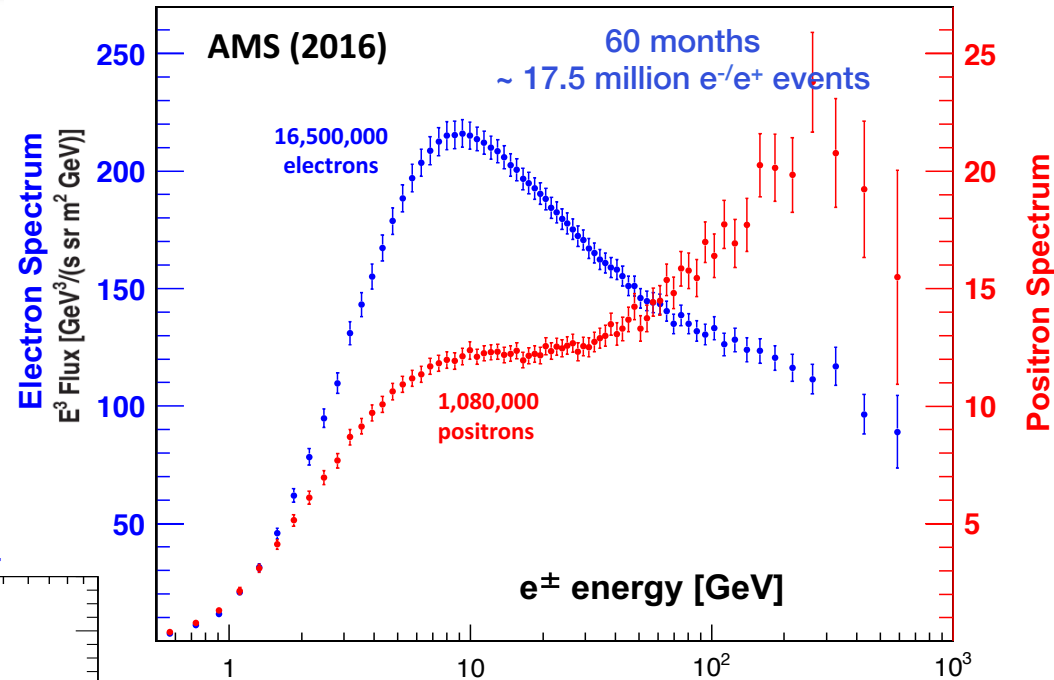
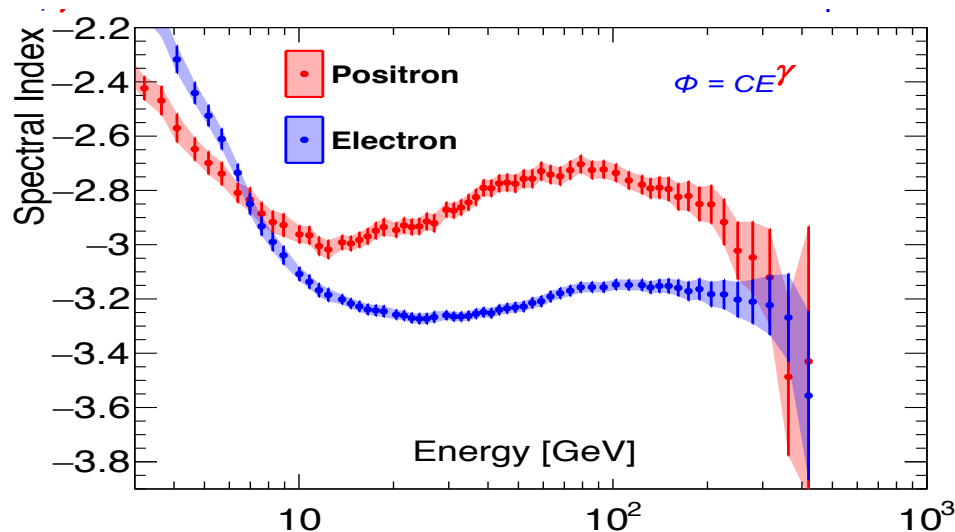
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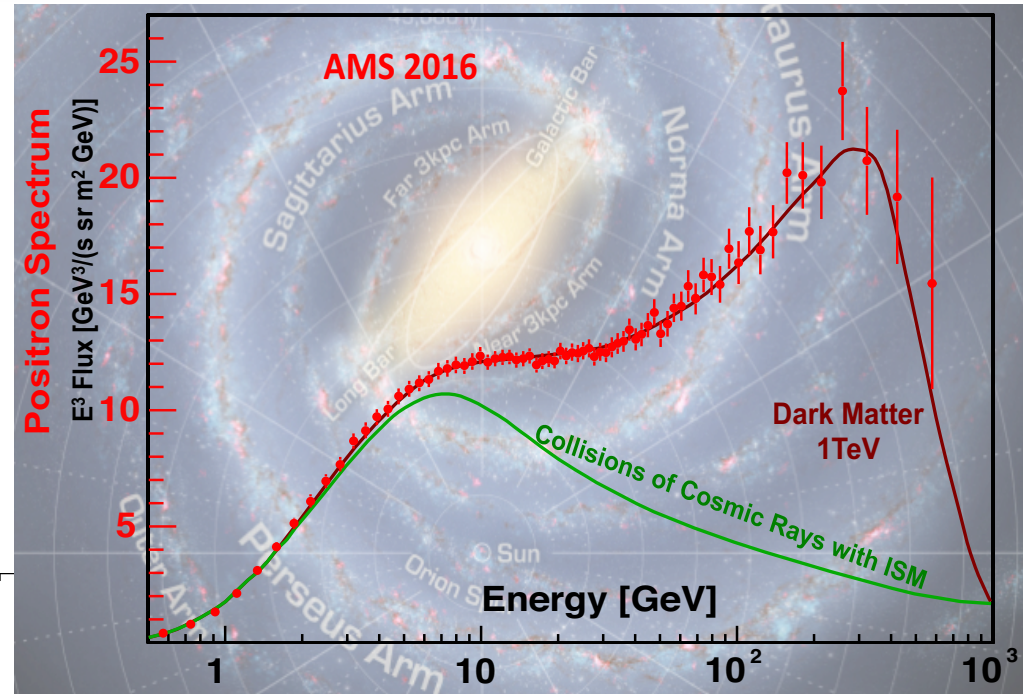
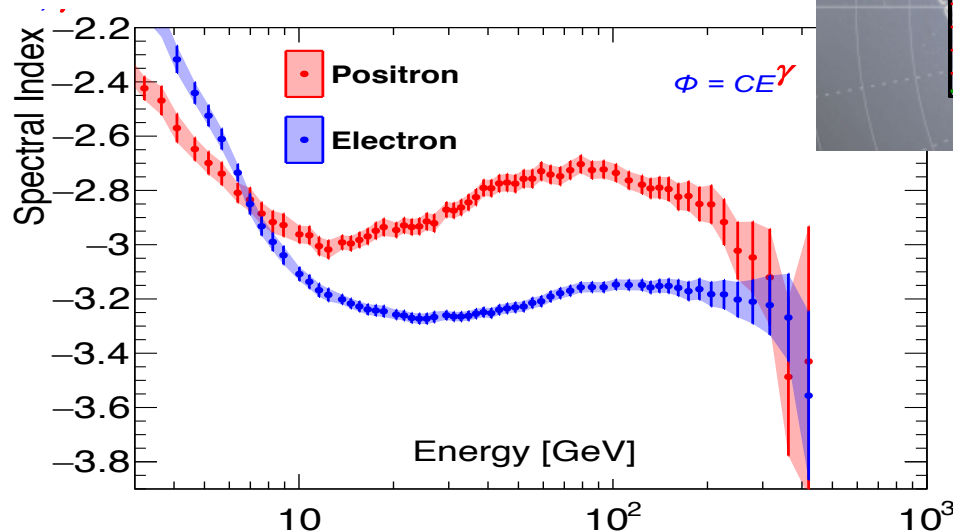
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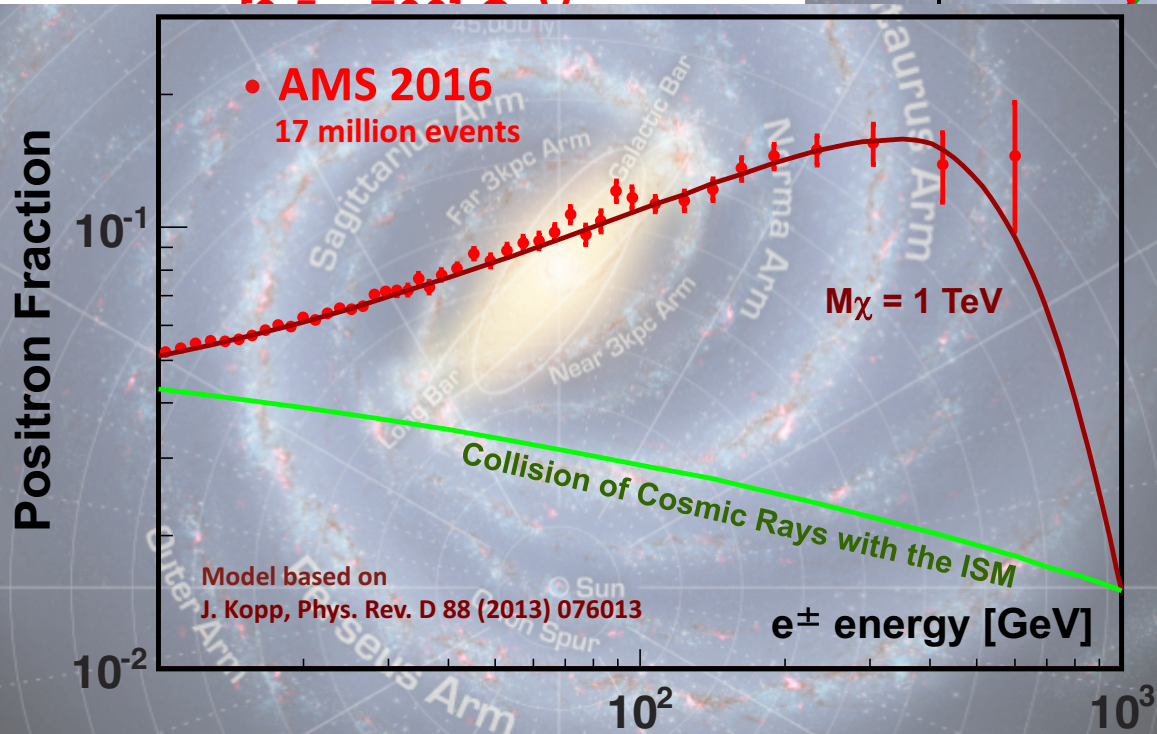
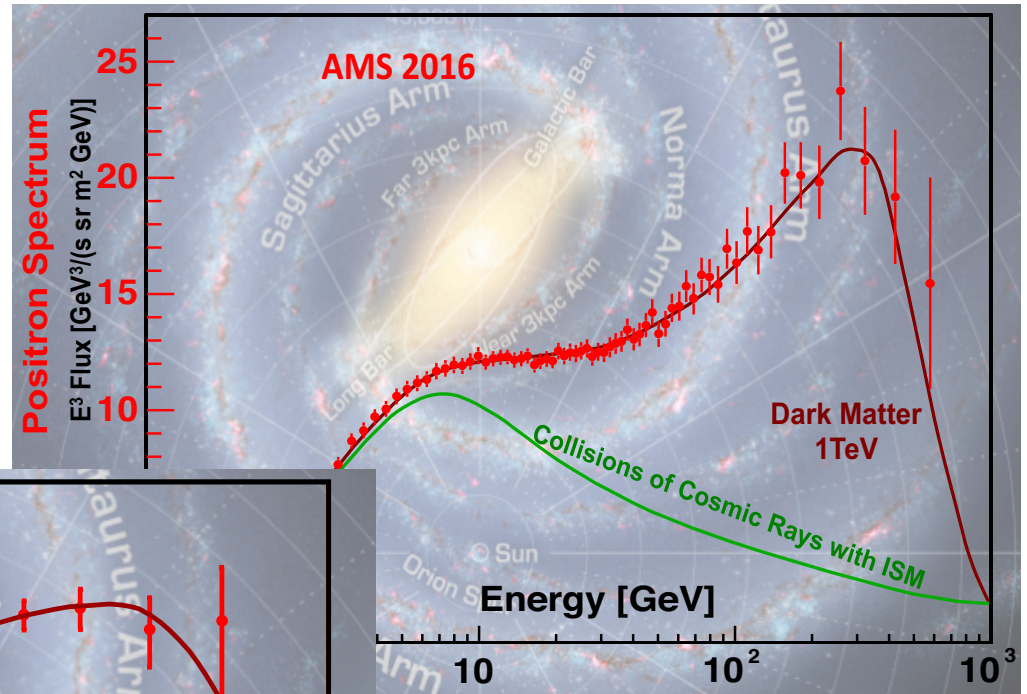
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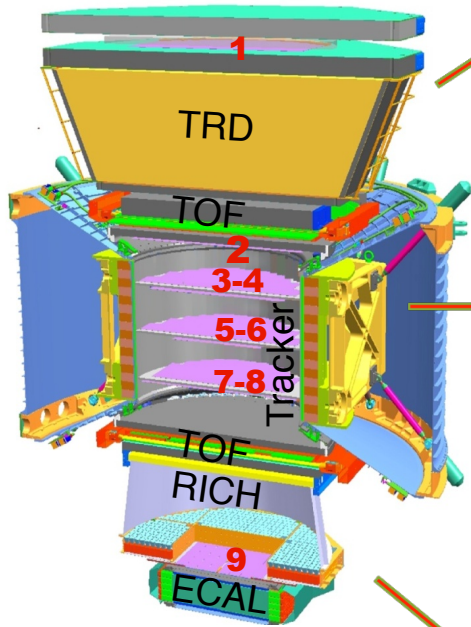


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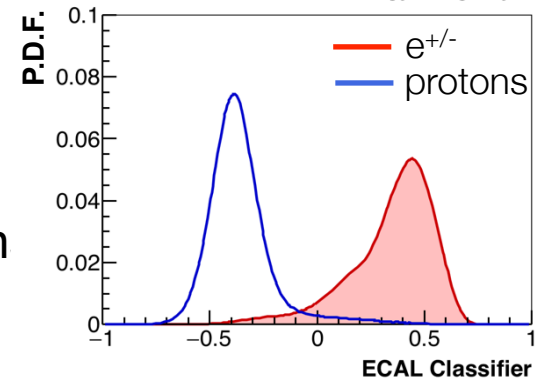
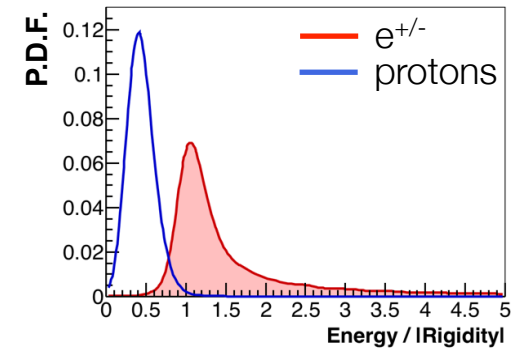
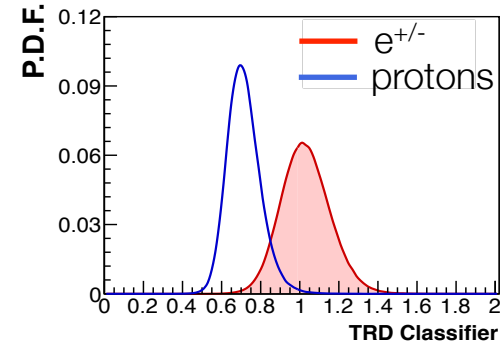
Identification of e^{\pm}



TRD
Transition Radiation
to identify e^{\pm}

TRACKER
Momentum P
 e^{\pm} : $P_{\text{TRK}} = E_{\text{ECAL}}$
Protons: $P_{\text{TRK}} \gg E_{\text{ECAL}}$

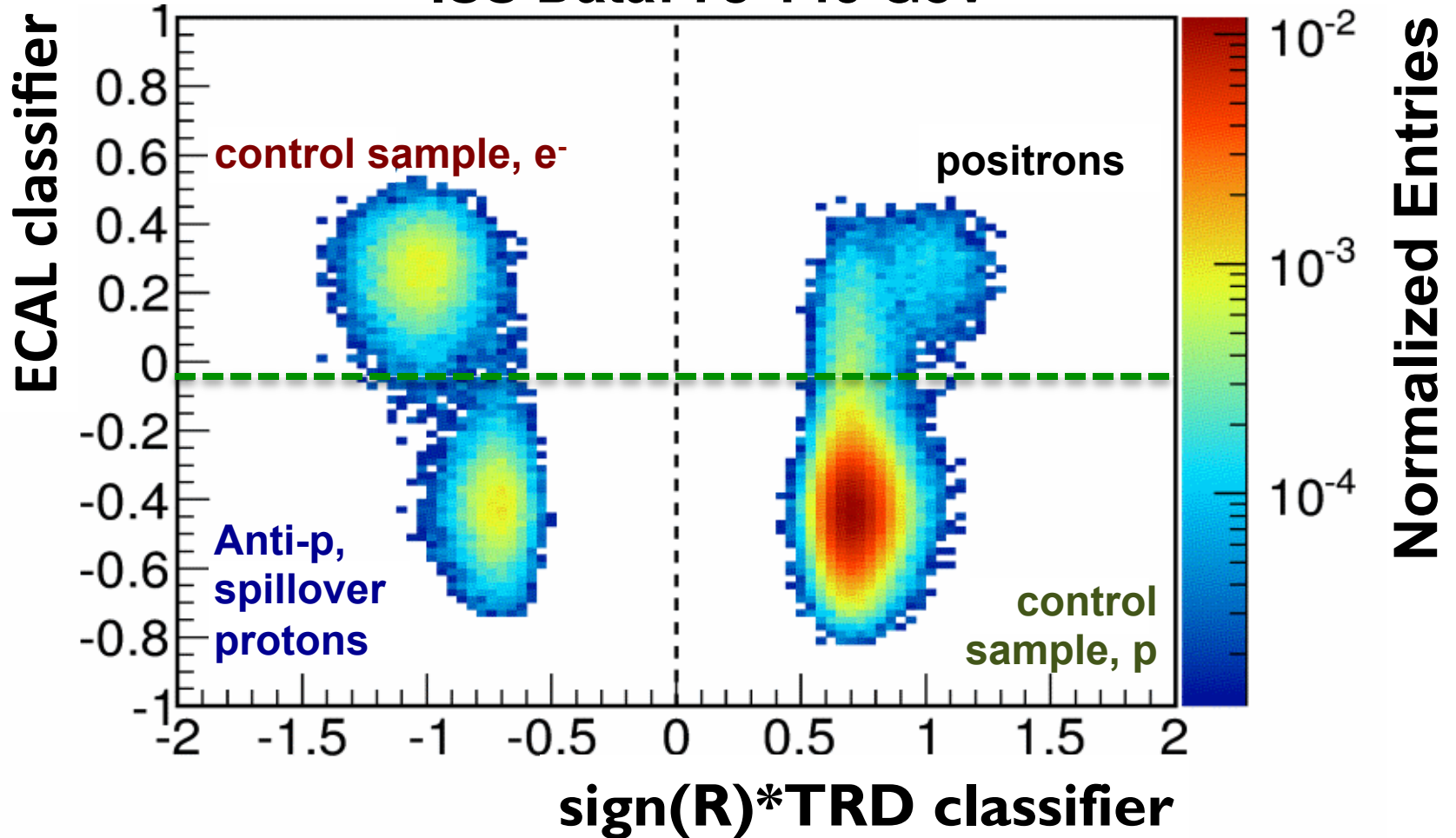
ECAL
Shower Topology
to separate e^{\pm} from proton





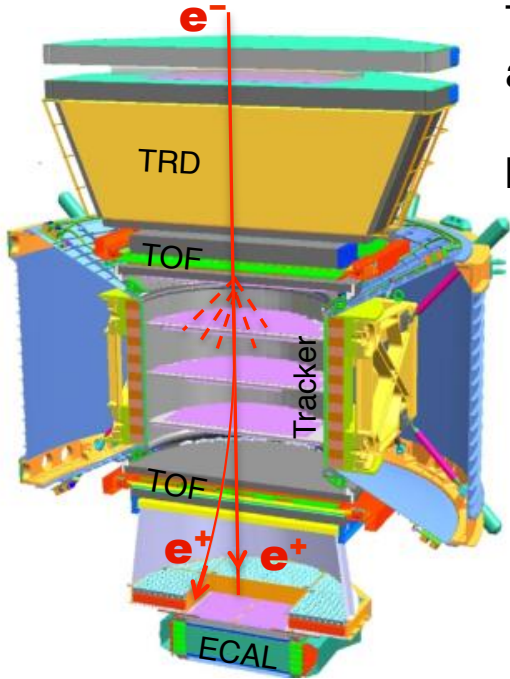
Redundancy and complementarity

ISS Data: 73-140 GeV





Charge Confusion

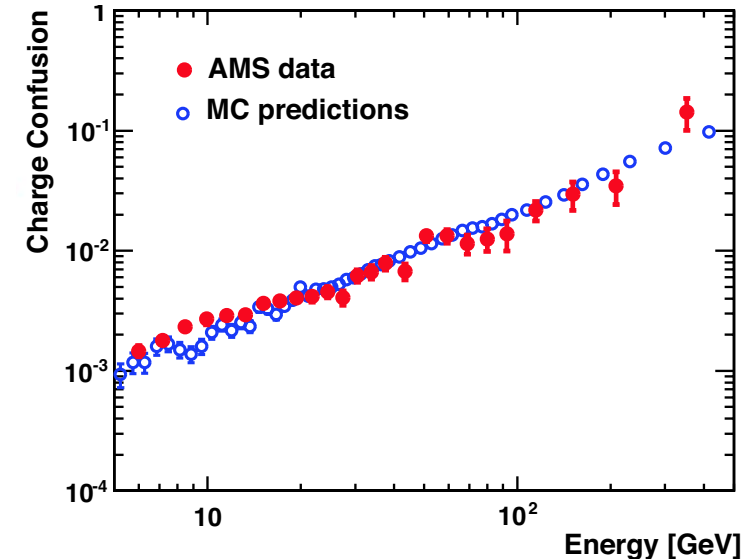
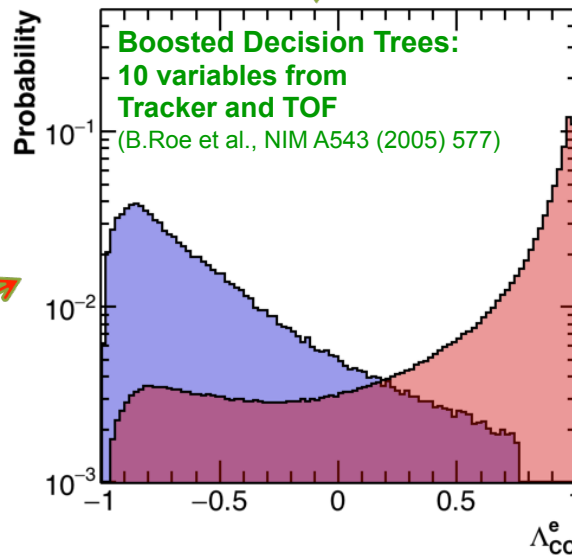
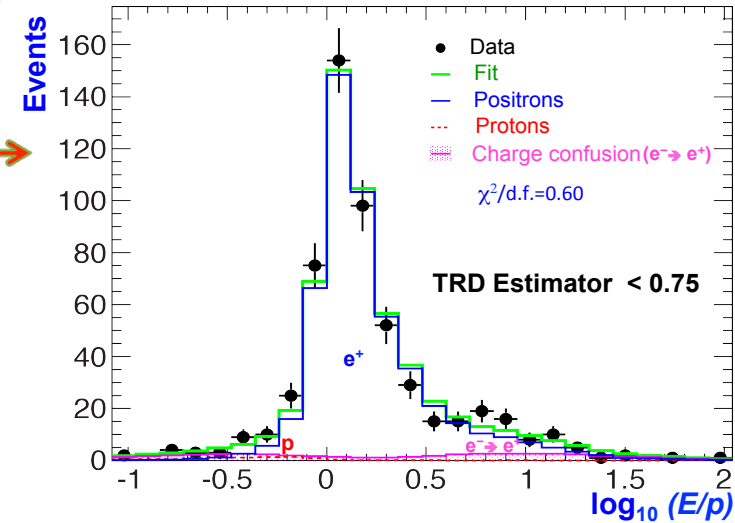


Two sources:

a) finite spectrometer resolution (only at high energies) →

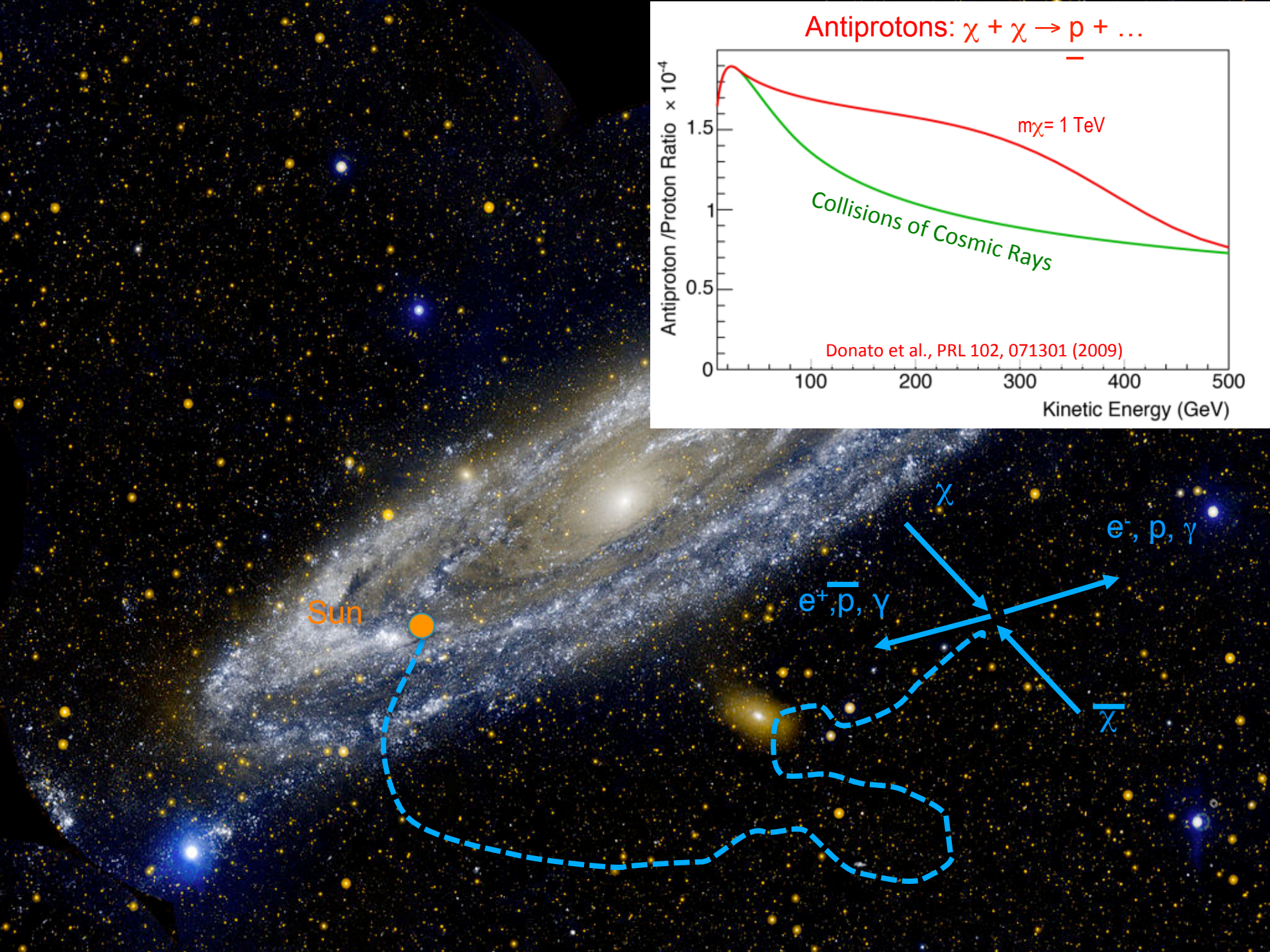
b) interactions

- 1) large angle scattering
- 2) production of secondary tracks along the path of the primary track



Looking to:

- the energy deposits before the tracker;
- “activity” below the tracker



Sun

χ

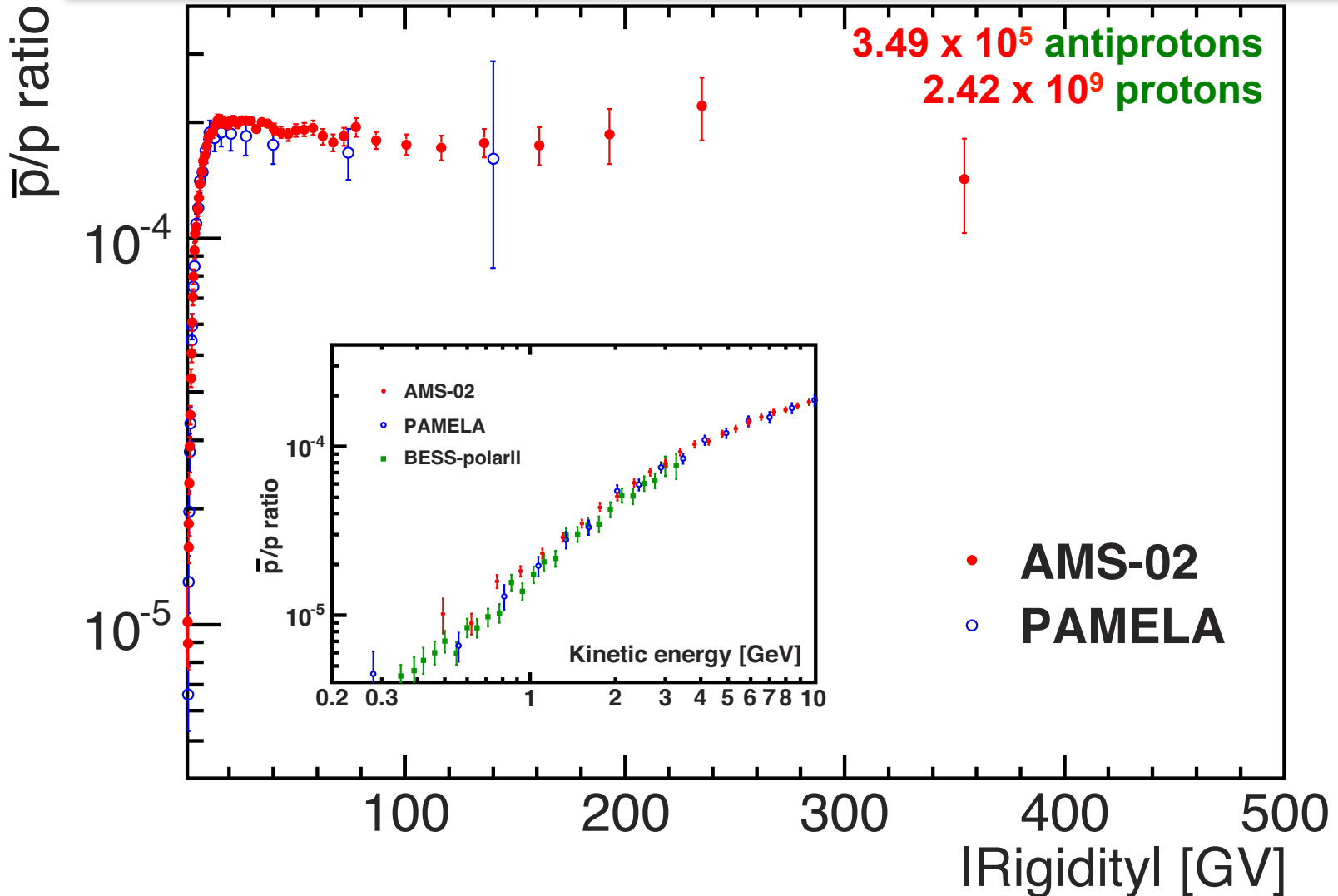
e^-, p, γ

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$\bar{\chi}$

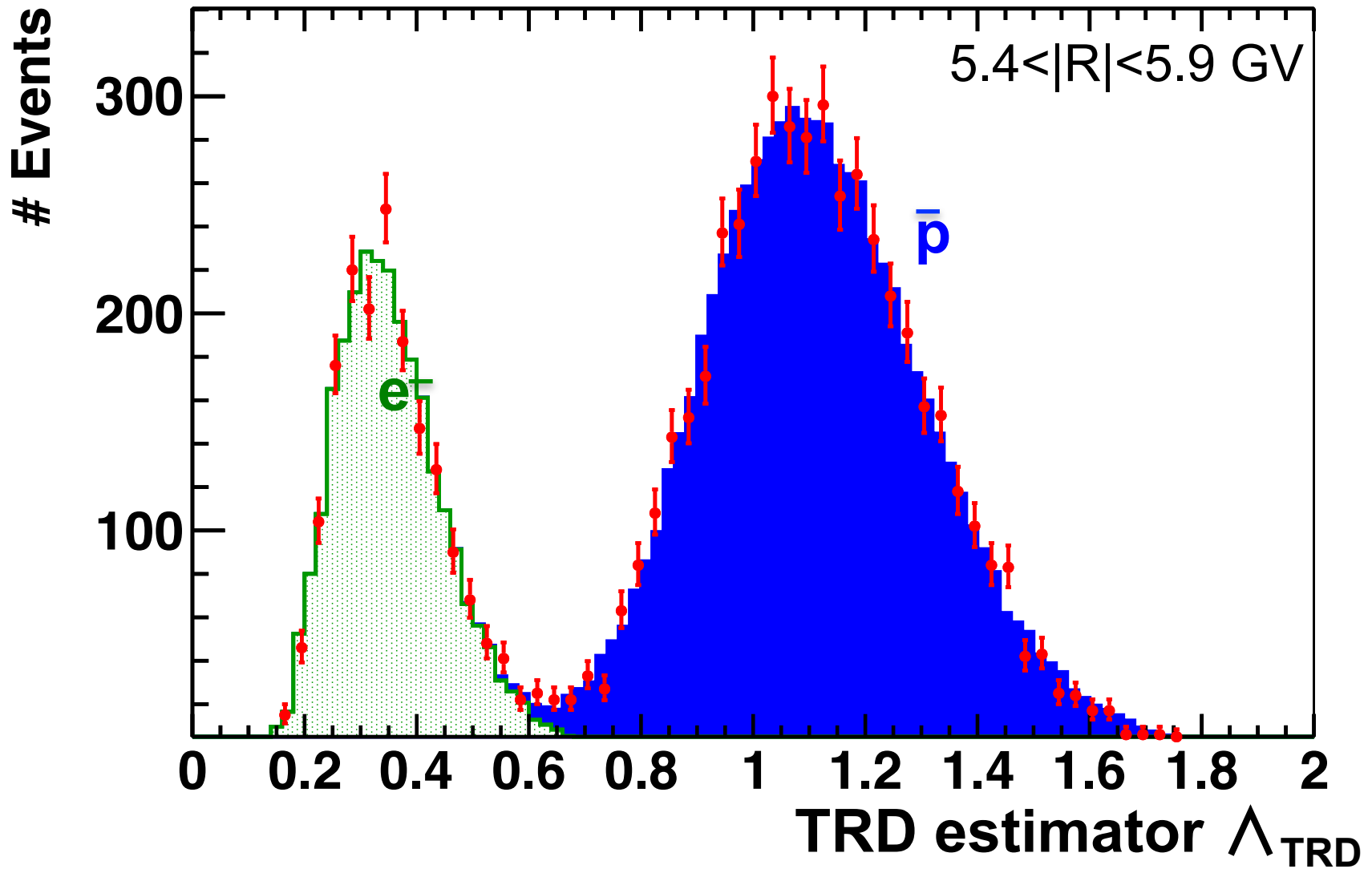


Anti-proton/proton ratio (PRL 117, 091103 - 2016)





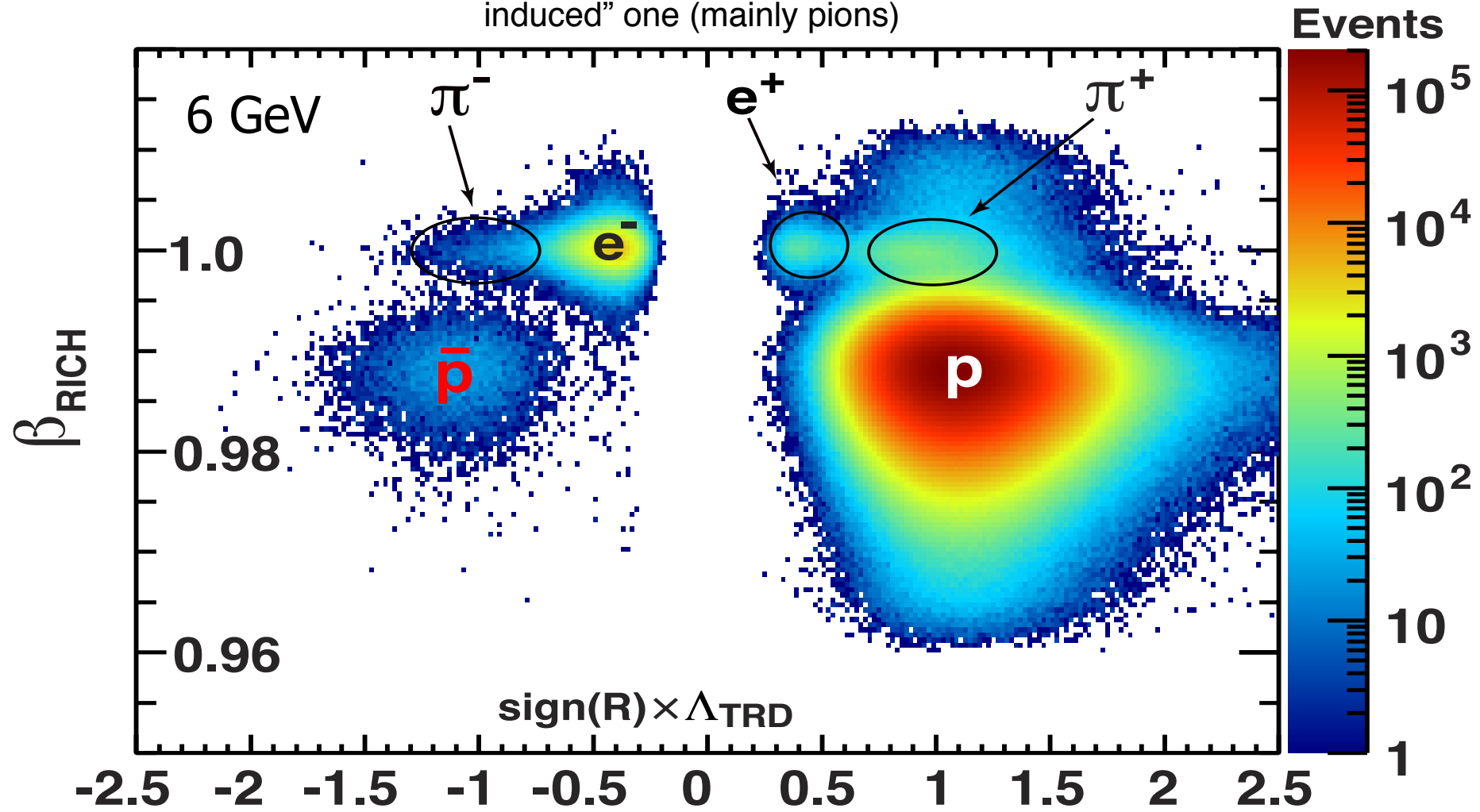
Antiproton identification at intermediate energies ($10 < R < 100$)





Antiproton identification at low energies ($R < 10$)

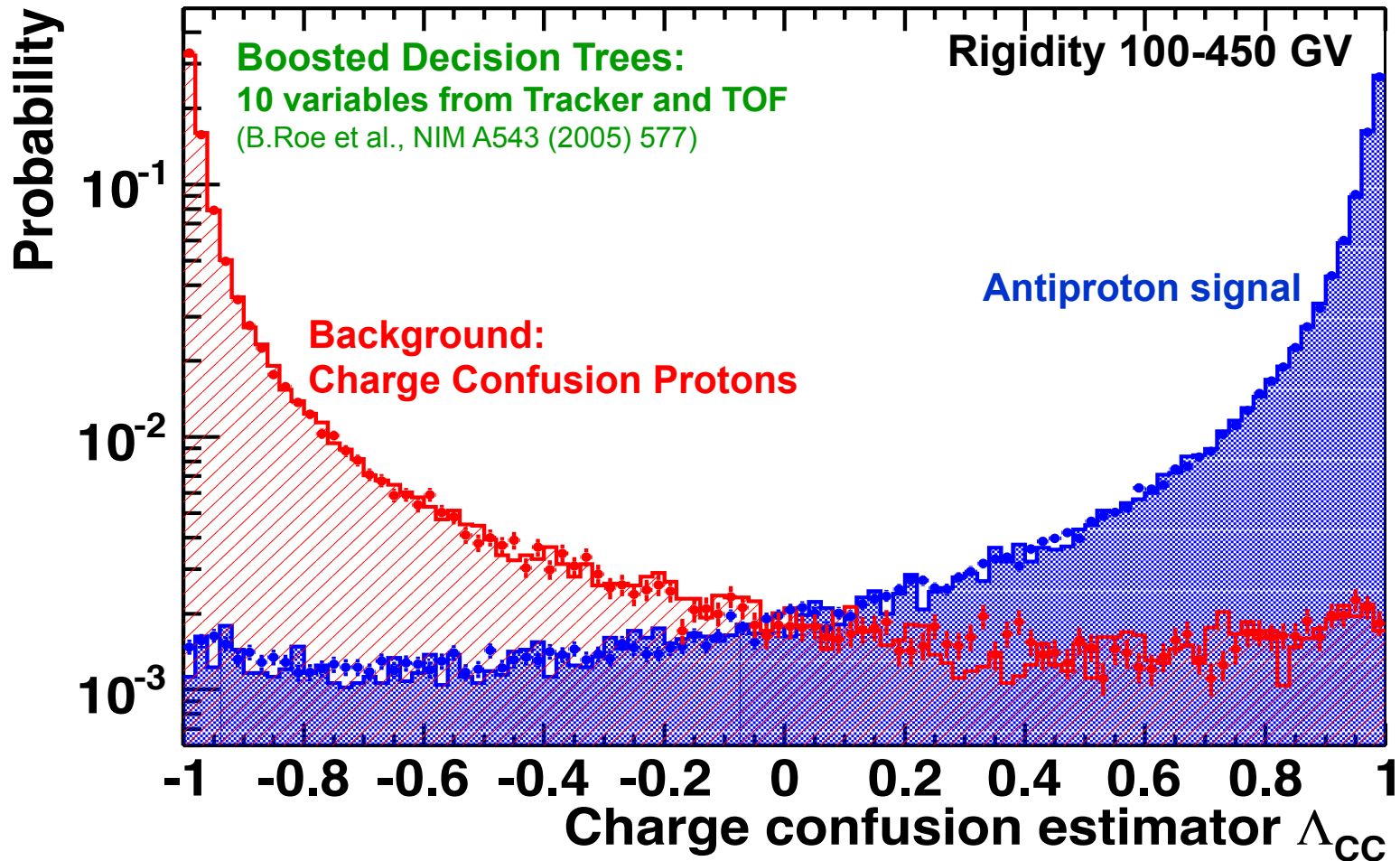
We need to reject the “external” background as well as the “detector induced” one (mainly pions)





Antiproton identification at high energies ($R > 100$)

Also for antiprotons, looking at the energy deposits above the tracker and the “activity” below it, it’s possible to identify the charge confused protons

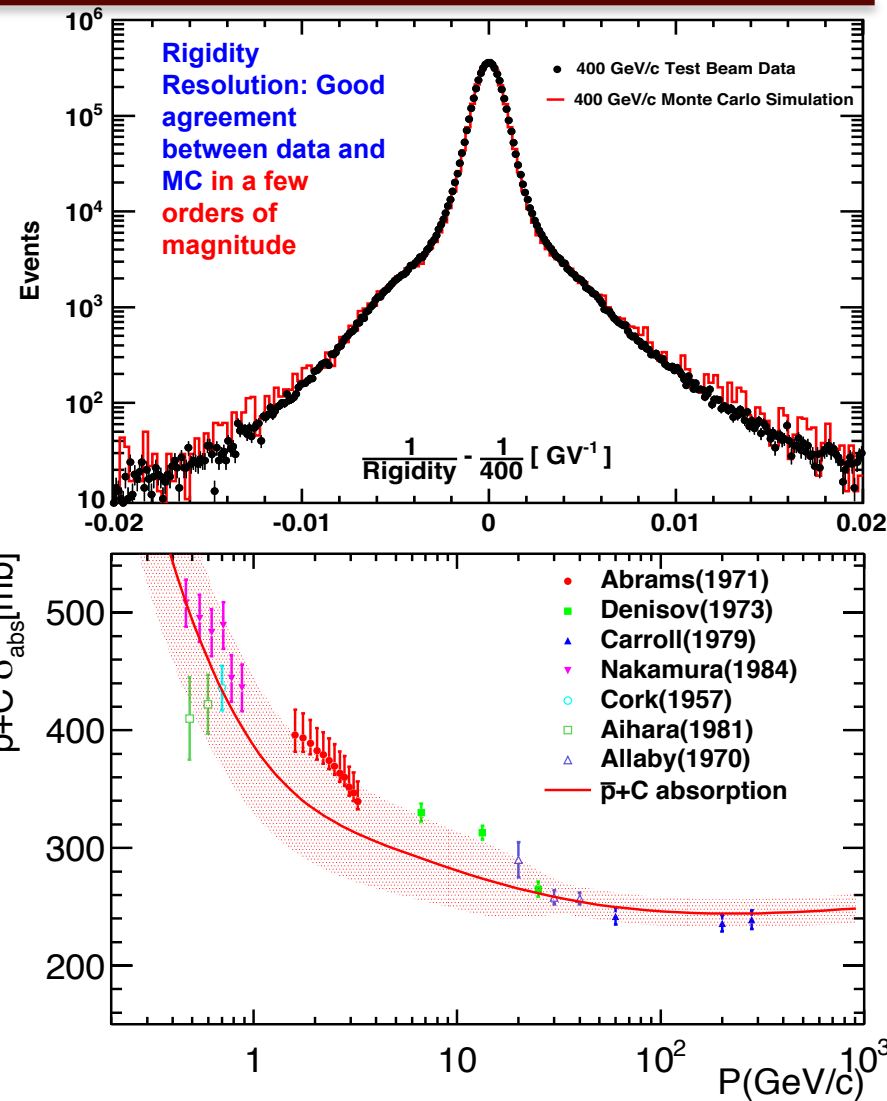


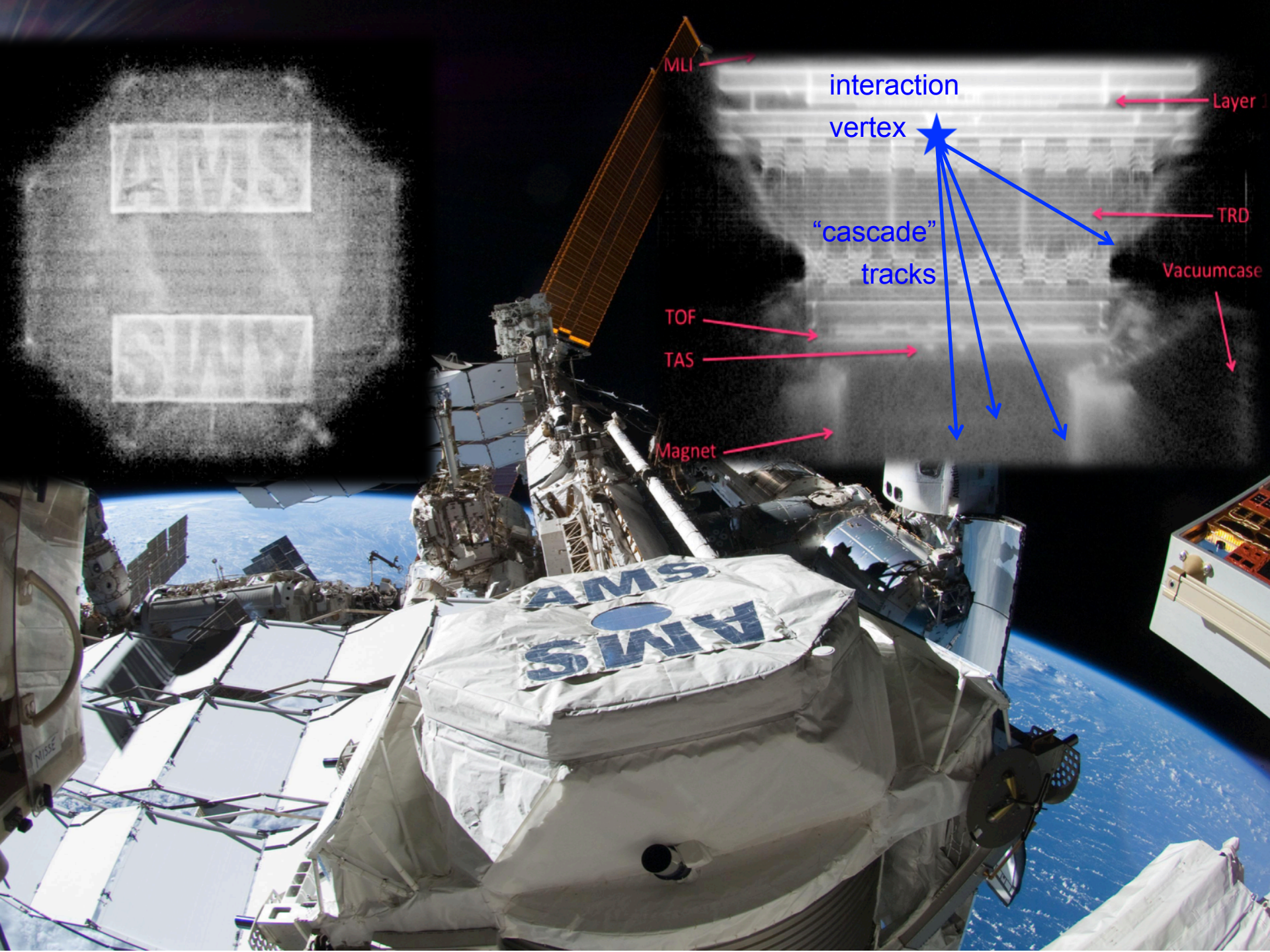


Antiproton systematics

- **Antiproton counting** σ_N :
 - Event selection
 - Knowledge of charge confusion
- **Acceptance**, σ_A :
 - **Cross sections**
 - Migration matrix
 - Small correction in normalization
- **Rigidity scale**, σ_R :
 - Affect positive and negative rigidity in opposite direction

From $\sim 100\text{GV}$, systematic errors are much smaller than statistic ones





MLI

interaction

vertex

"cascade"
tracks

Layer 1

TRD

Vacuumcase

TOF

TAS

Magnet

AMS

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MISSE

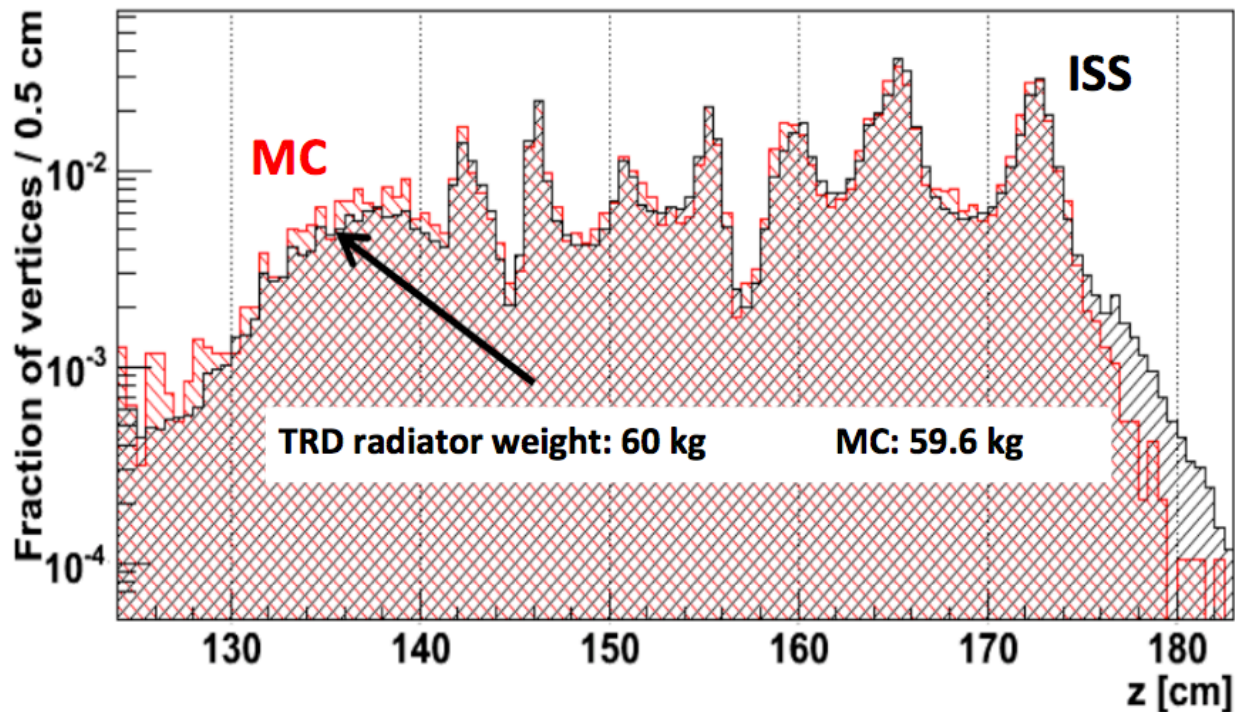


Interactions inside the detector

Effective Acceptance: $A_{eff} = A_{geom} \cdot \epsilon_{sel} \cdot \epsilon_{id} \cdot (1 + \delta)$

- Estimated from MC
- Correction obtained based on efficiency measured from Data
- Systematic uncertainties: 2% ~ 3%

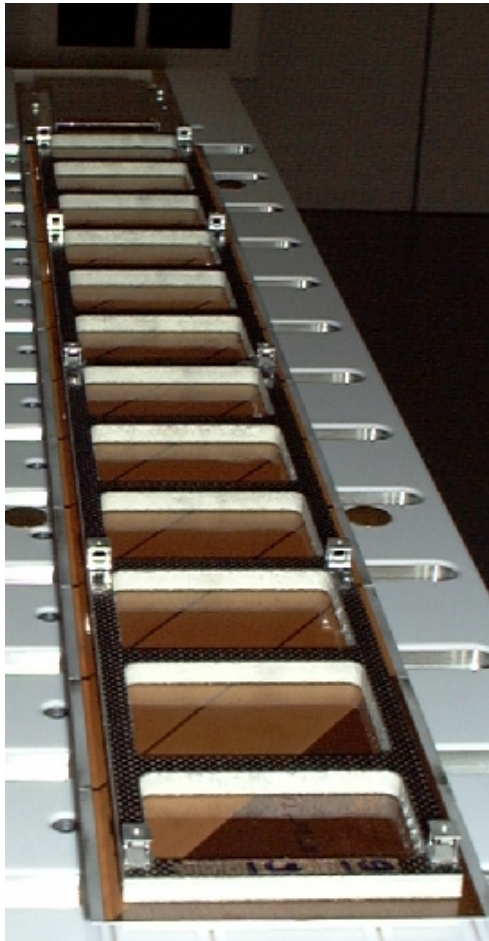
Example: Material distribution



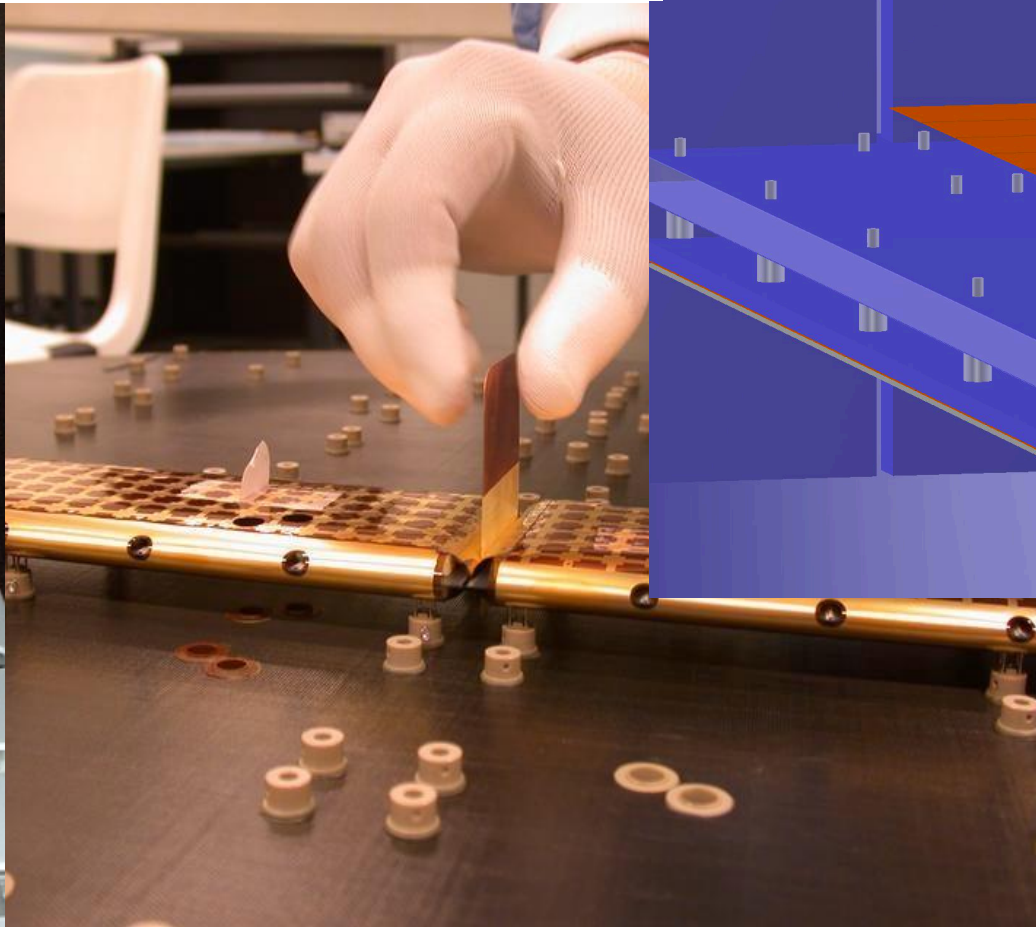


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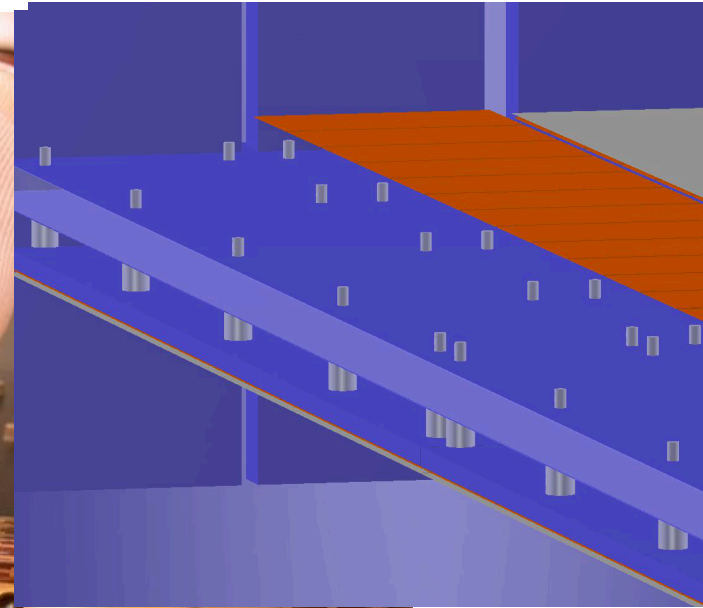
Feet glued to silicon ladders



Example of ladder fixation



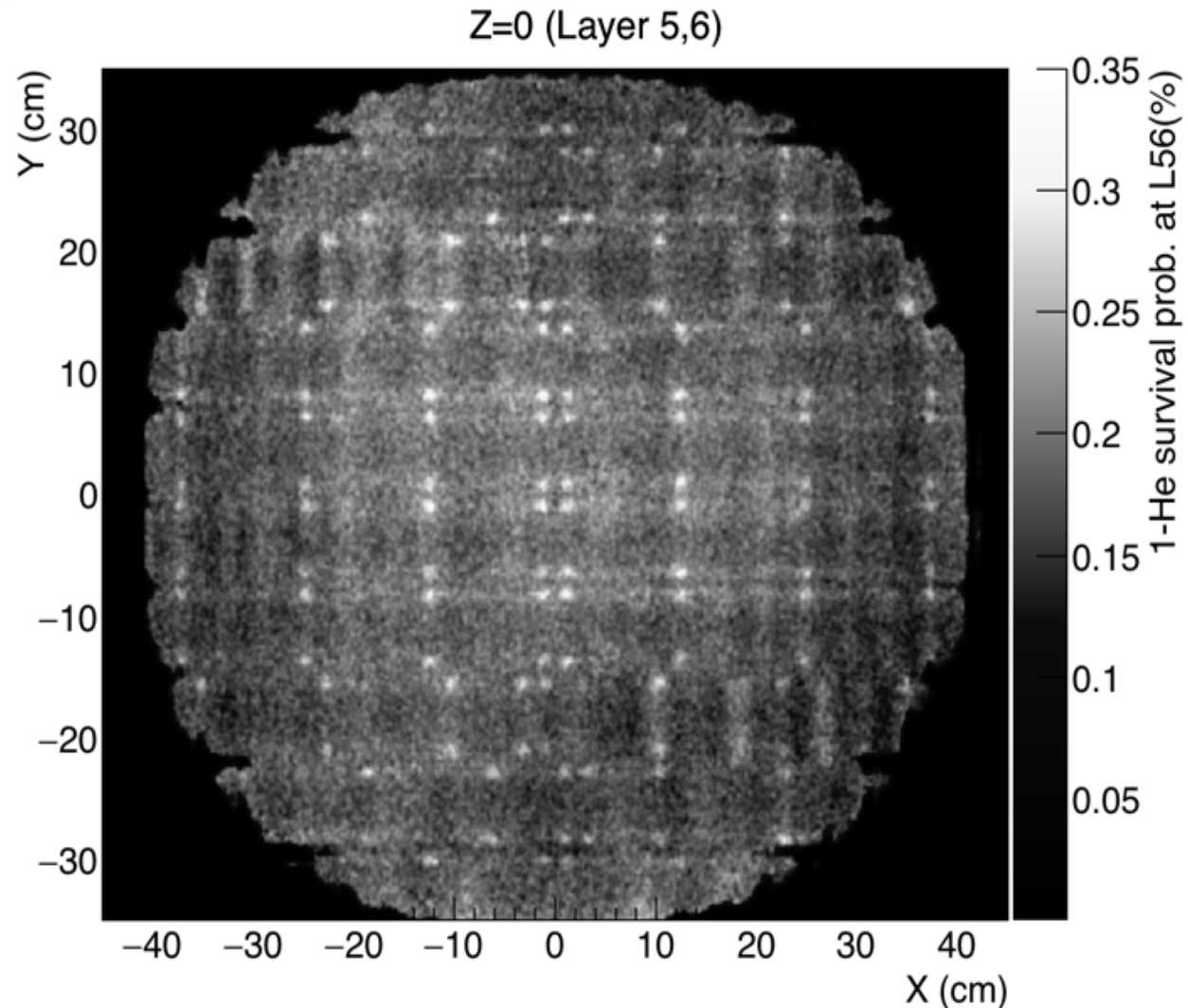
MC implementation

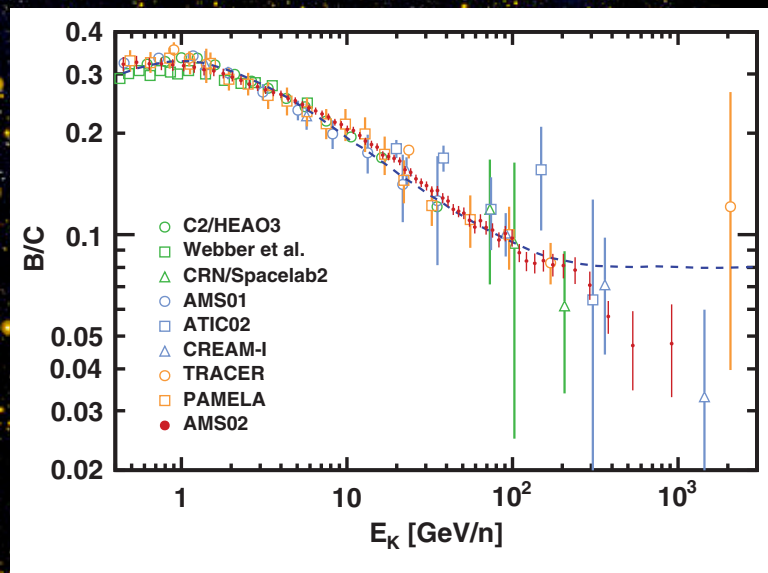




“X-ray” map of He interaction

Not only looking for vertices but also looking for “missing particles: looking at the “flux”, as a function of the position (X, Y) in the detector one can search for “hot spots”. The position (X, Y) is obtained by the particle track and depends on Z : looking at different Z is like “focusing” the “x-ray” on a different plane.



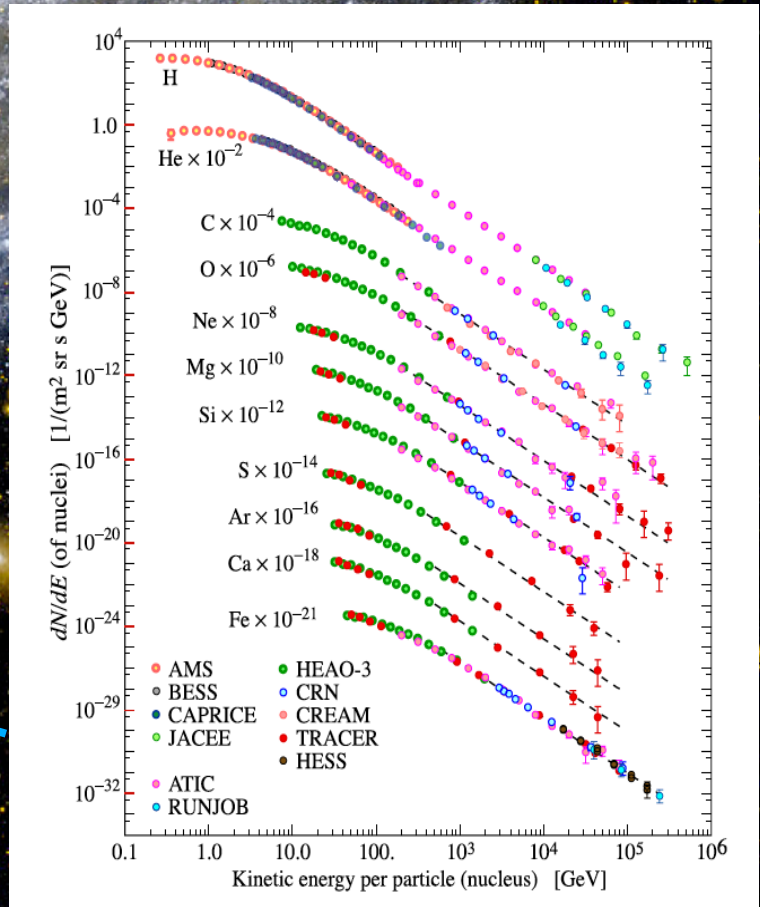


$p, He, C..., e^-$

Sun

$\pi^\pm \rightarrow \mu^\pm \rightarrow e^\pm$

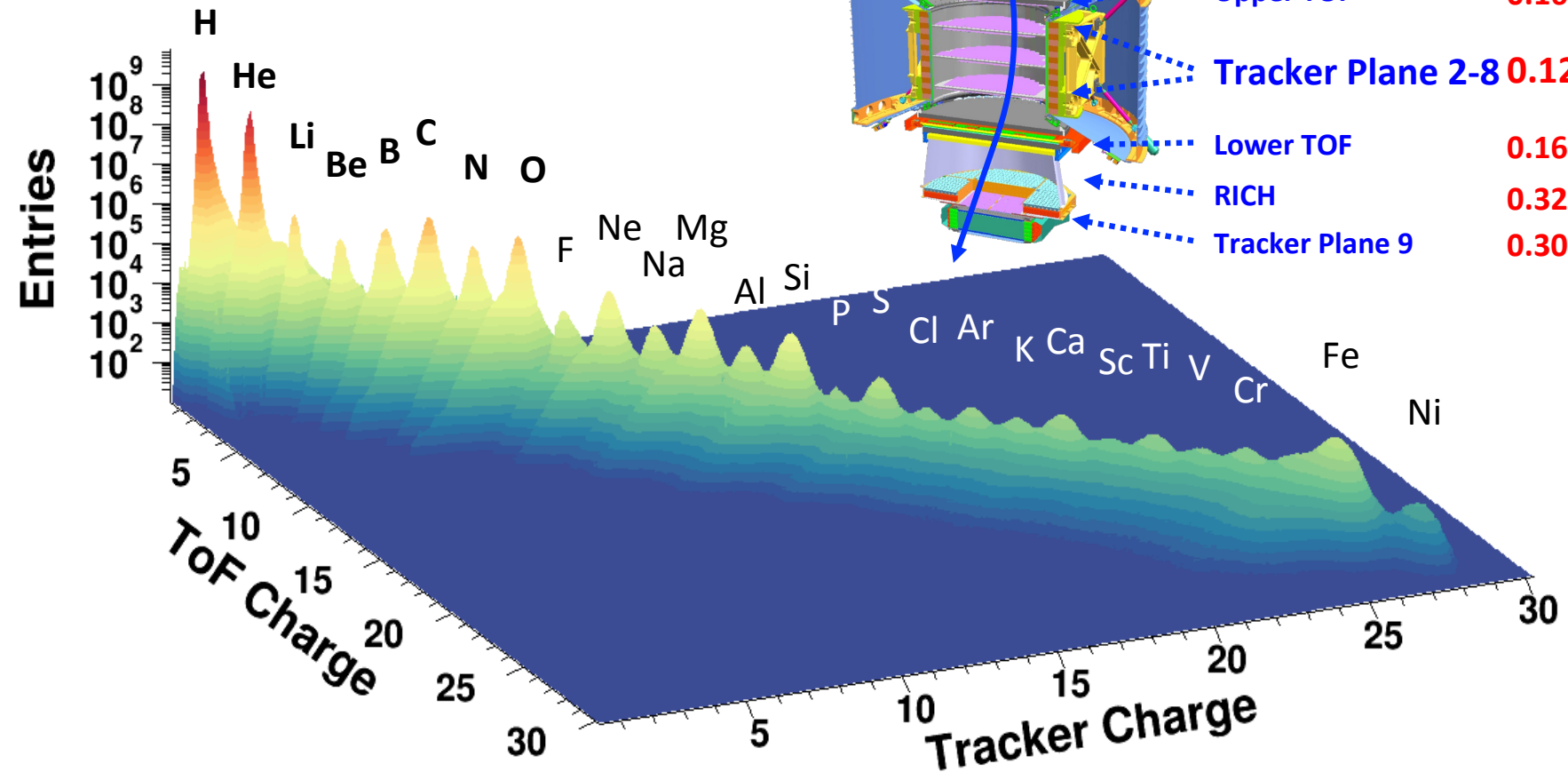
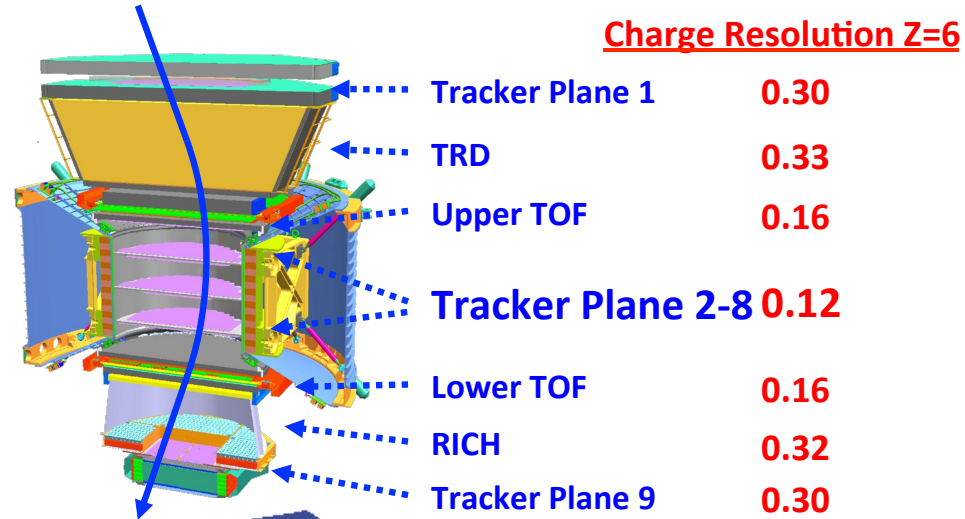
$p+p \rightarrow p+\bar{p}...$





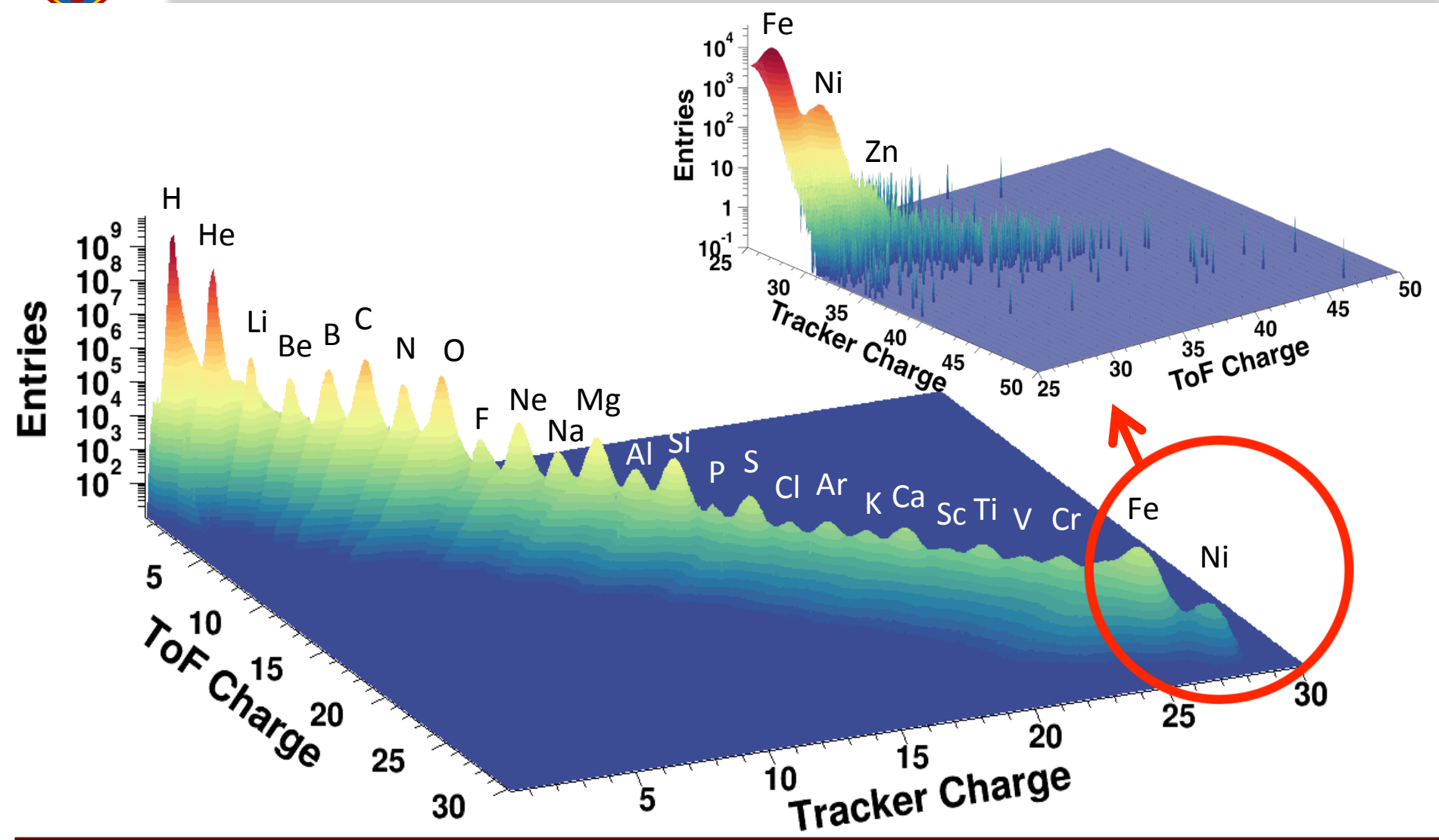
Nuclear identification

Seven instruments which independently identify different elements



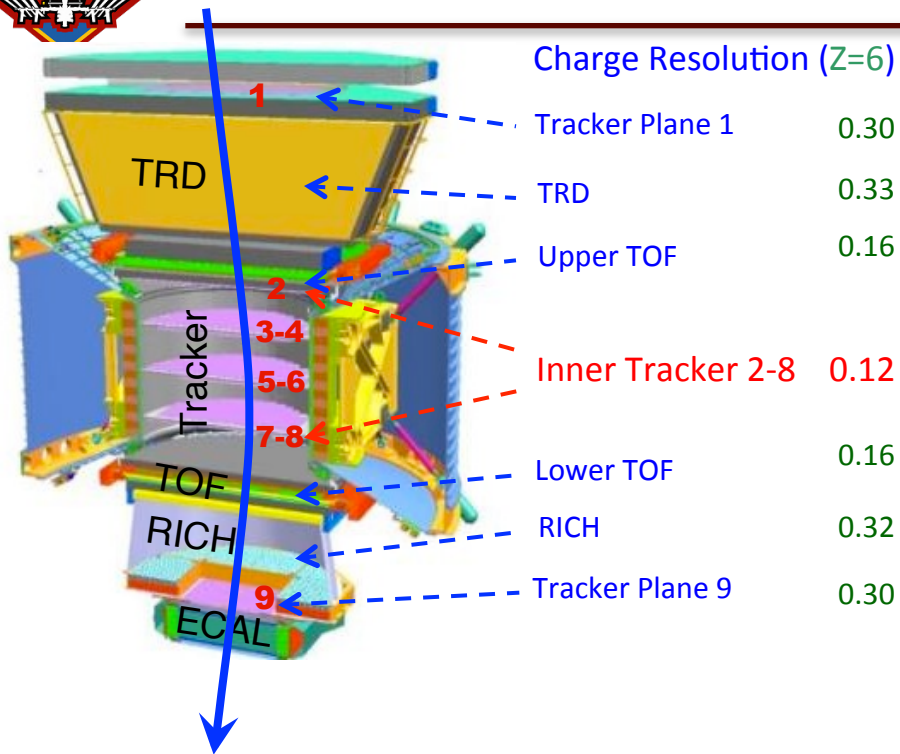


... even beyond Iron!

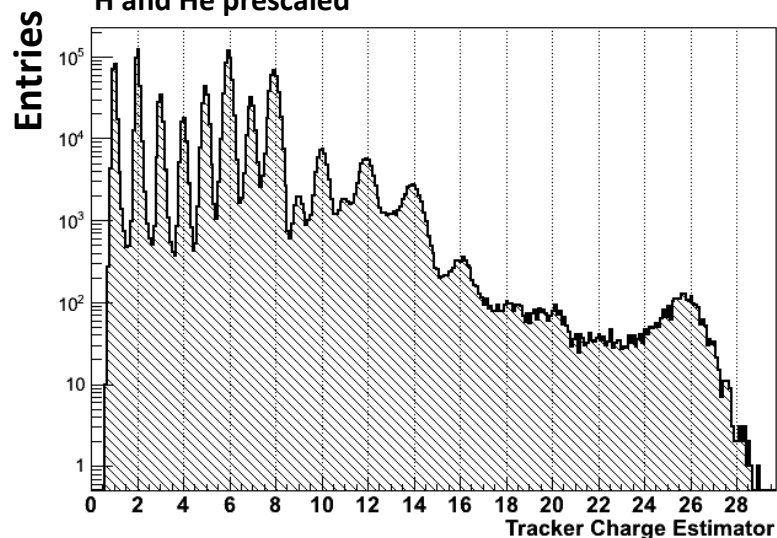




Silicon tracker



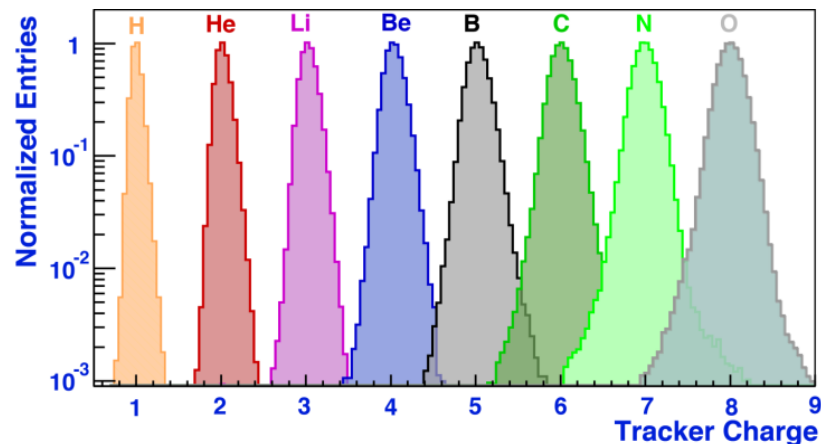
Abundances not corrected for detector efficiencies
H and He prescaled



Thanks the High Dynamic Range of the Front End electronics, the Silicon Tracker has a very accurate charge resolution

→ ~ 0.3 c.u. for a single layer

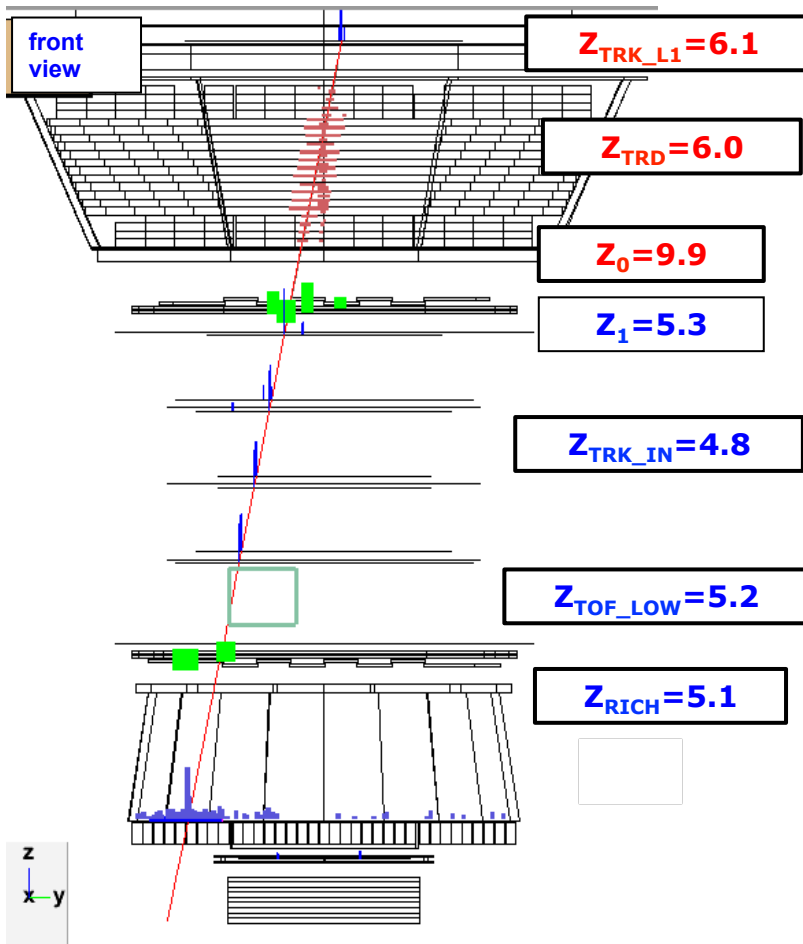
→ ~ 0.1 c.u. combining 7 layers



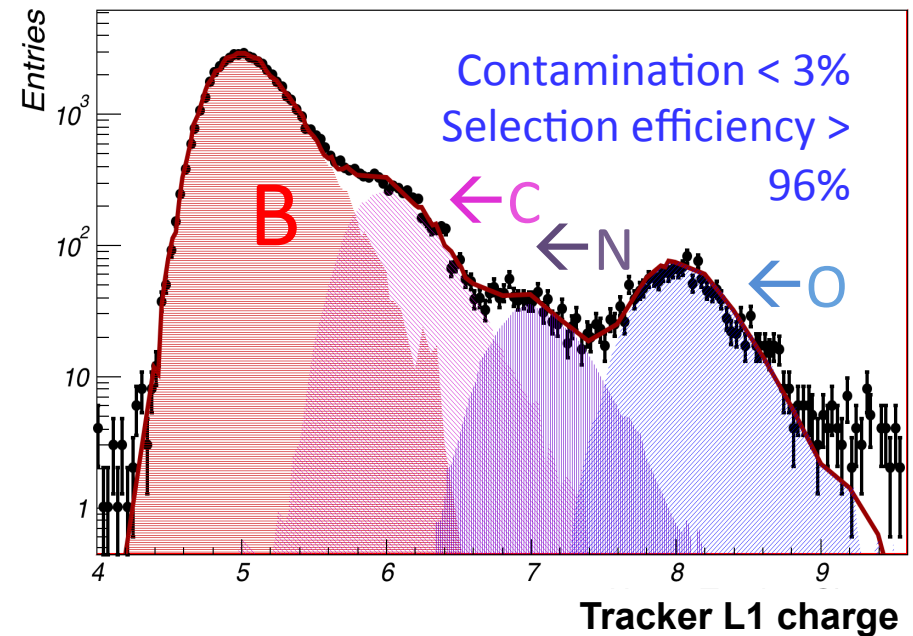


Control of fragmentation inside the detector

Carbon Fragmentation
to Boron $R = 10.6$ GV



For all the nuclear species, AMS-02 can measure, directly from data, the fraction of the 'flux' coming from the fragmentation of heavier species



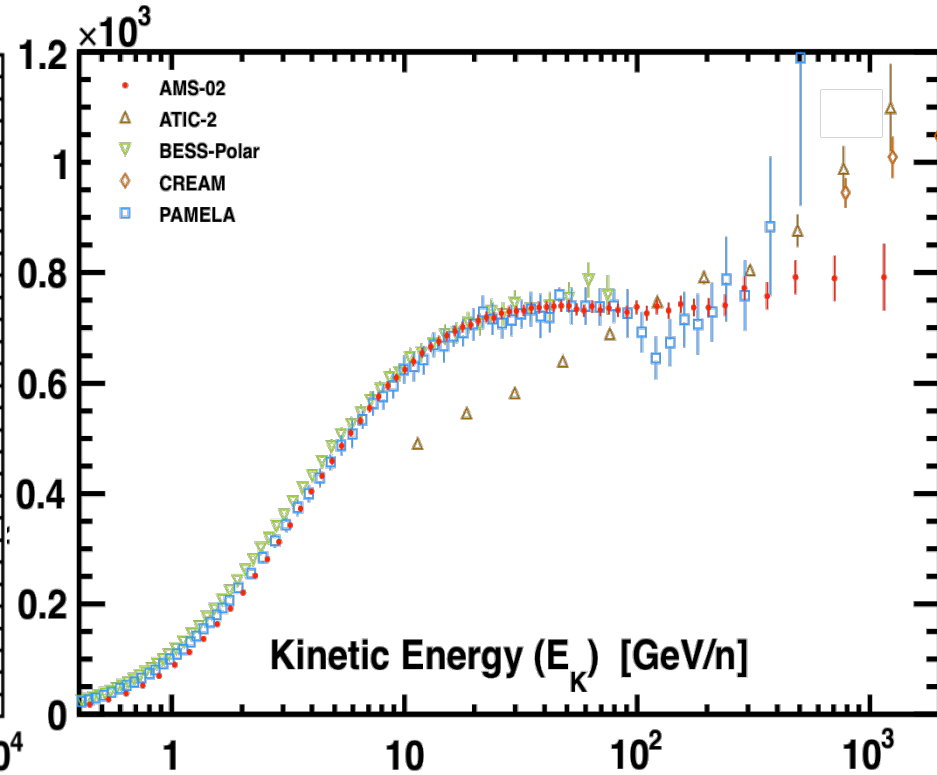
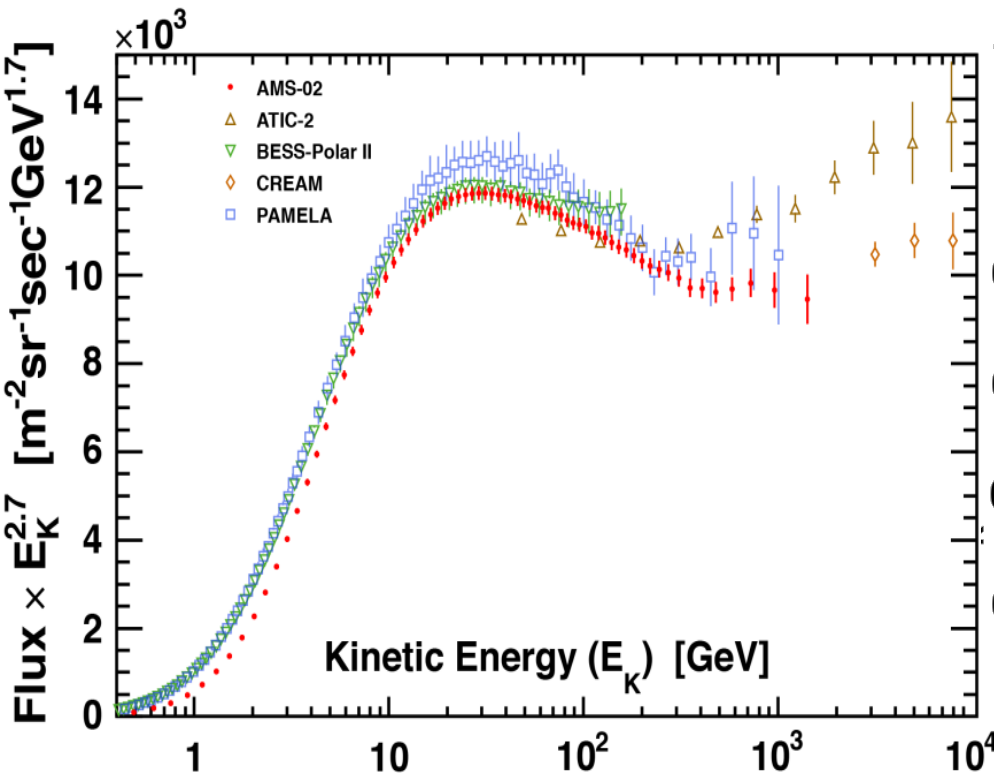


Proton and Helium fluxes (PRL 114, 171103 & 115, 211101 – 2015)

Both proton and helium fluxes show an hardening

H flux measurement:
300 million events

He flux measurement:
50 million events

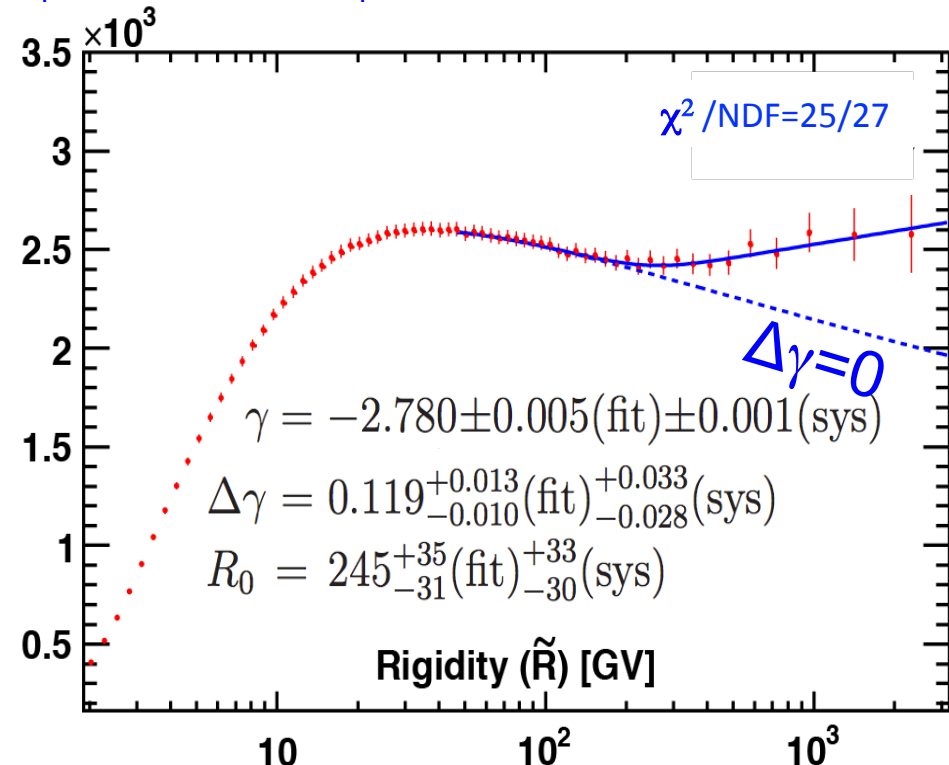
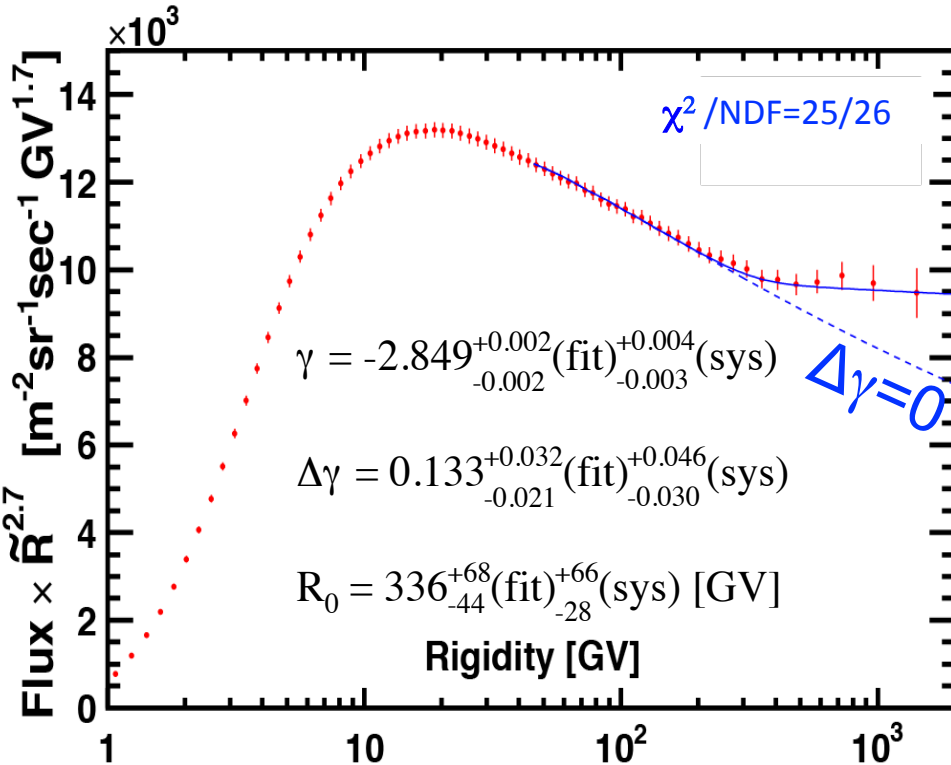




Proton and Helium fluxes (PRL 114, 171103 & 115, 211101 – 2015)

Two power-laws $R^\gamma, R^{\gamma+1}$ with a transition rigidity R_0 and a *smoothness* parameters: this well describe the experimental data:

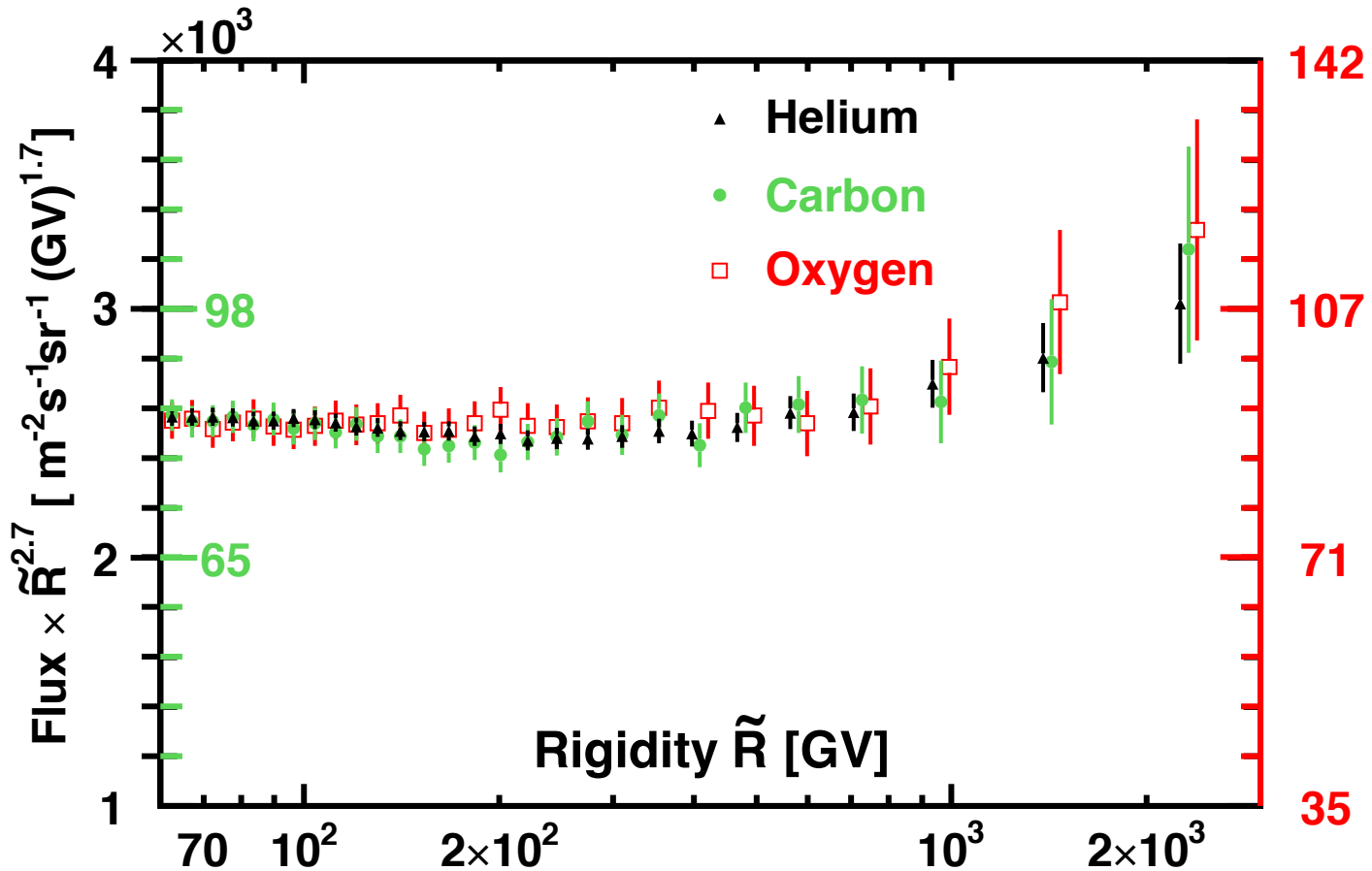
$$\Phi = C \left(\frac{R}{45 \text{GV}} \right)^\gamma \left[1 + \left(\frac{R}{R_0} \right)^{\Delta\gamma/s} \right]^s$$





Primaries... (accepted on PRL)

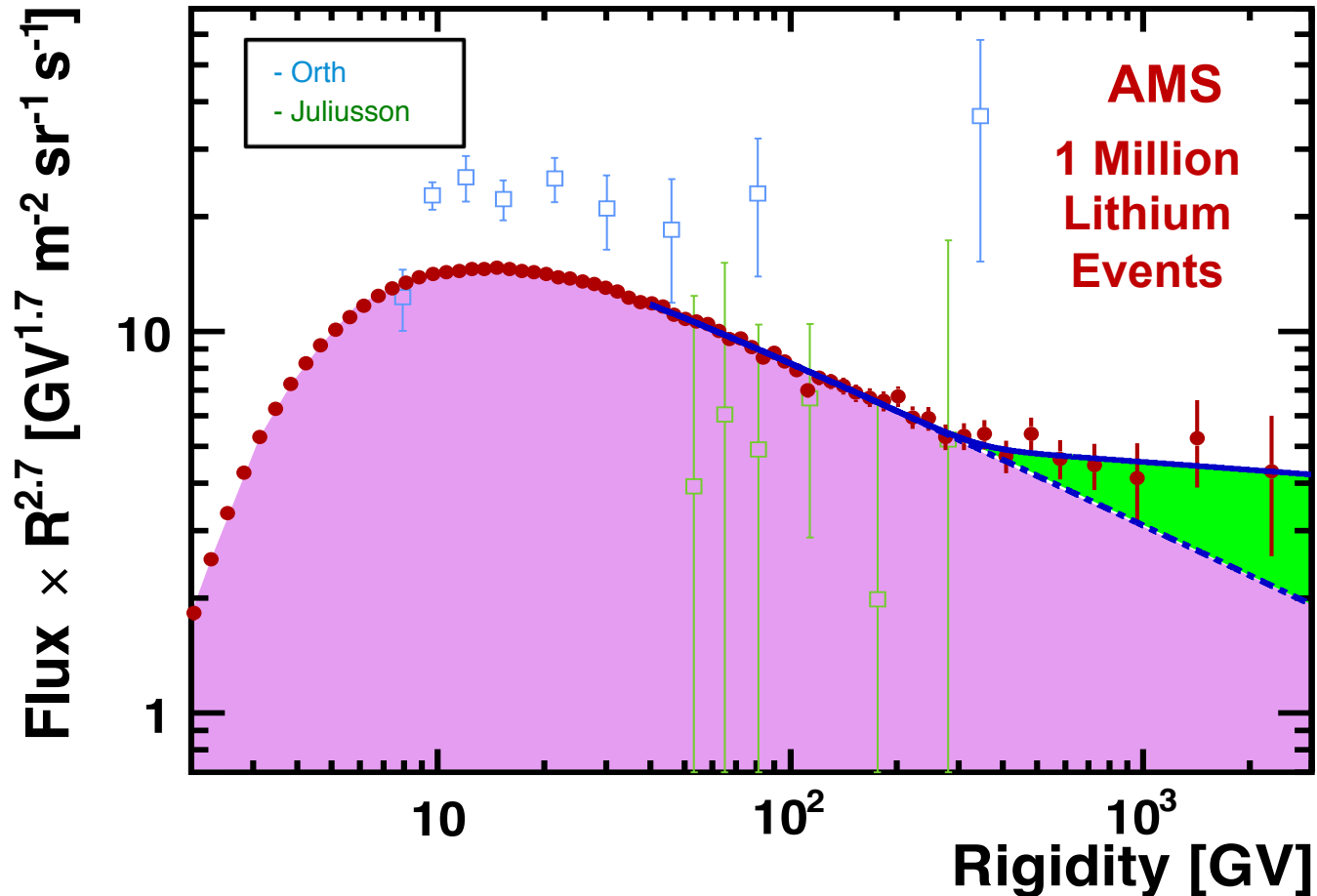
Also for Carbon and Oxygen the single-power law behavior is excluded by AMS-02 data: a change of spectral index is observed at \approx the same rigidity.





...and secondaries... (submitted to PRL)

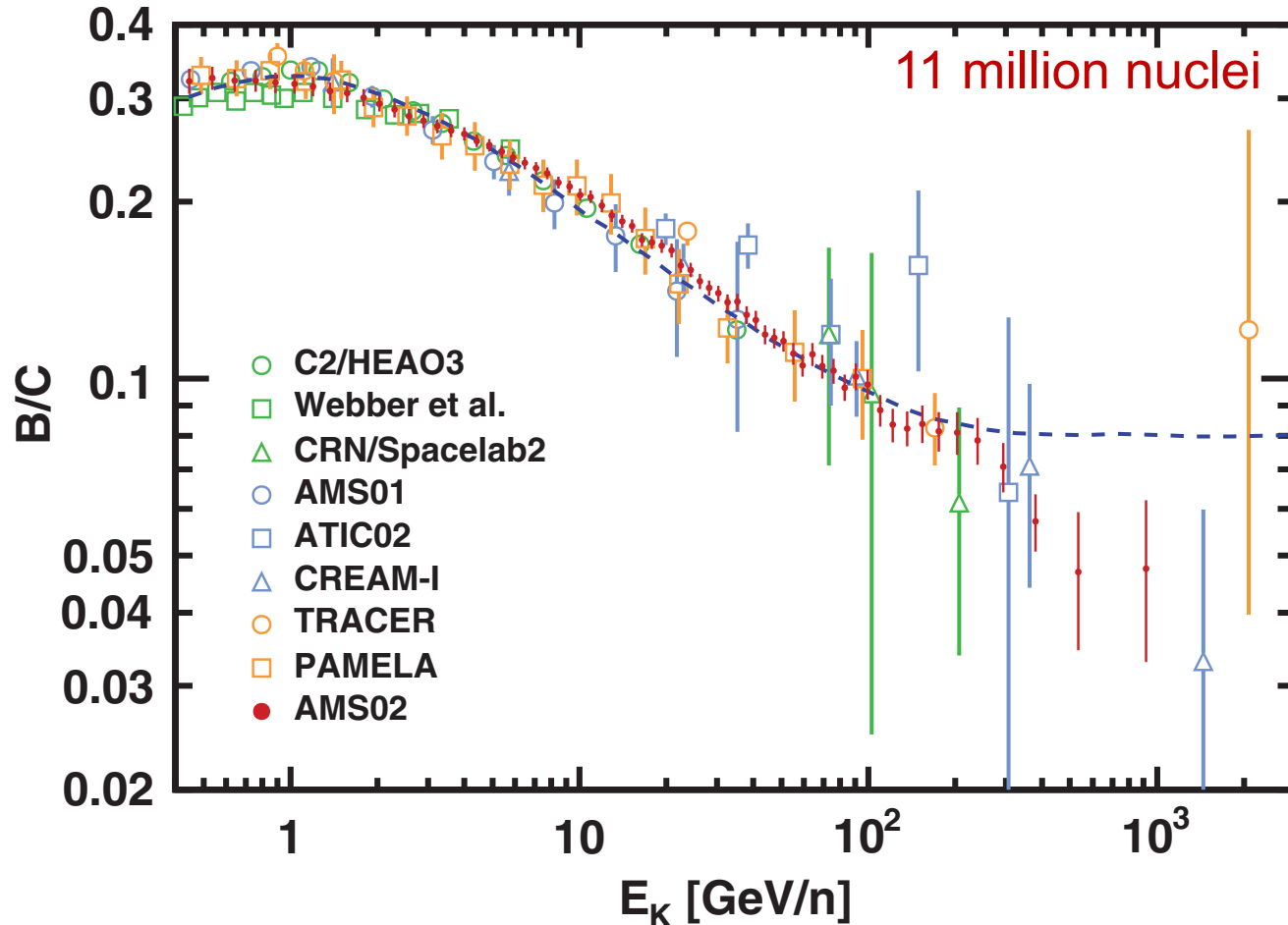
Lithium (secondary) exhibits a double power law behavior as for the primaries

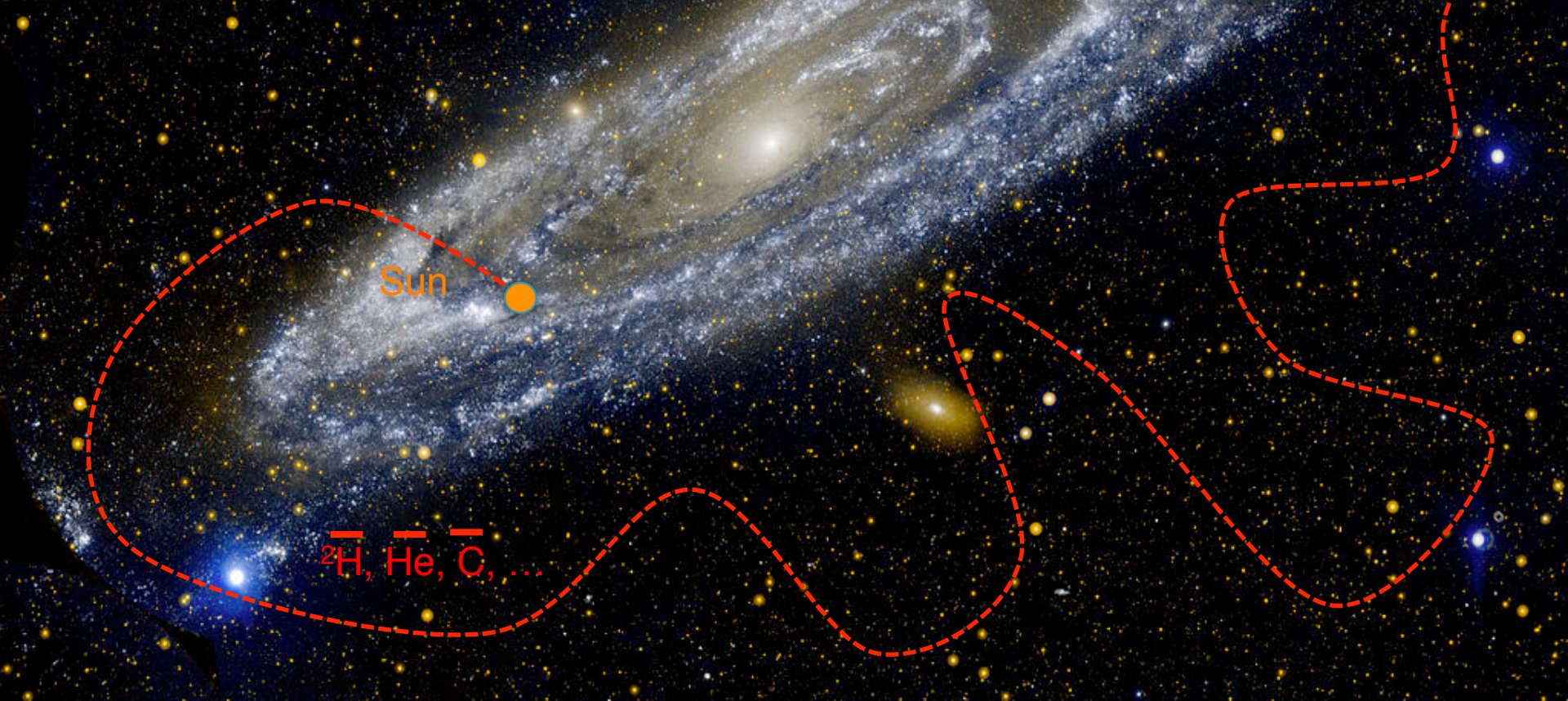
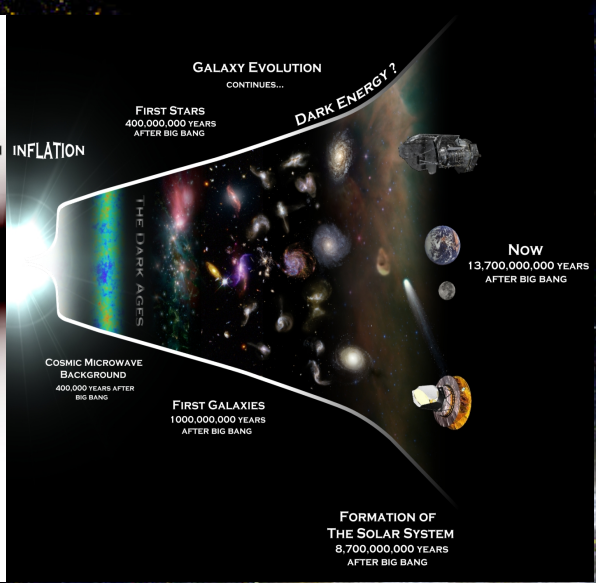
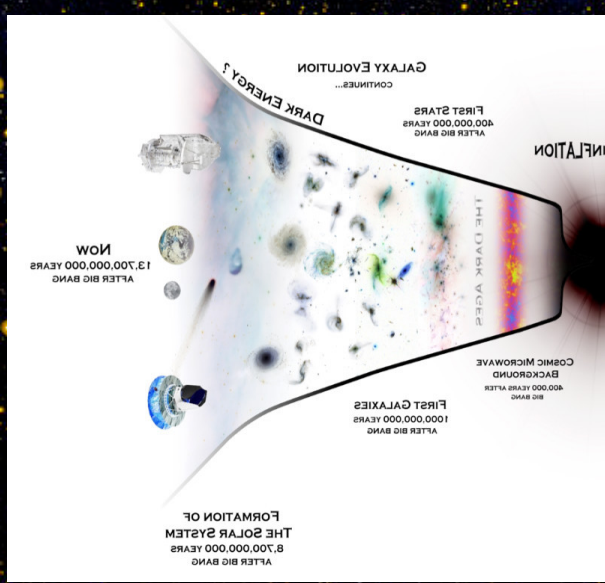




Secondary CRs: Boron to Carbon flux ratio (PRL 117, 231101 – 2016)

The flux ratio between primaries (C) and secondaries (B) provides information on propagation and the ISM

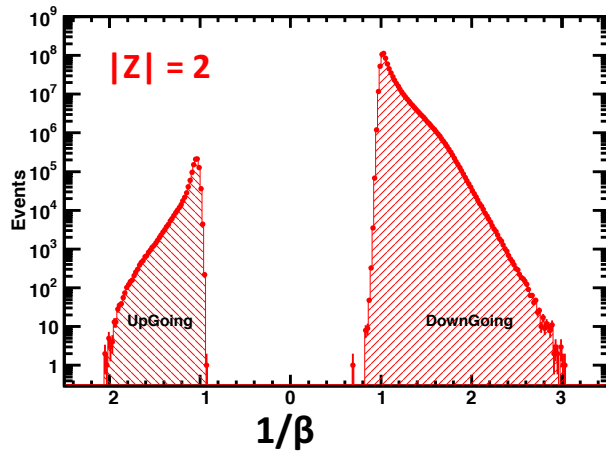




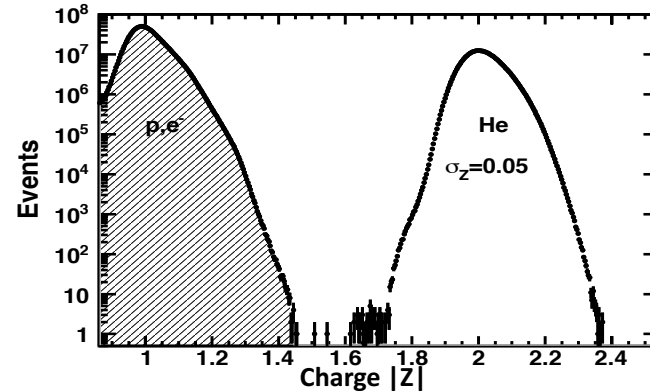


Identification of anti-helium

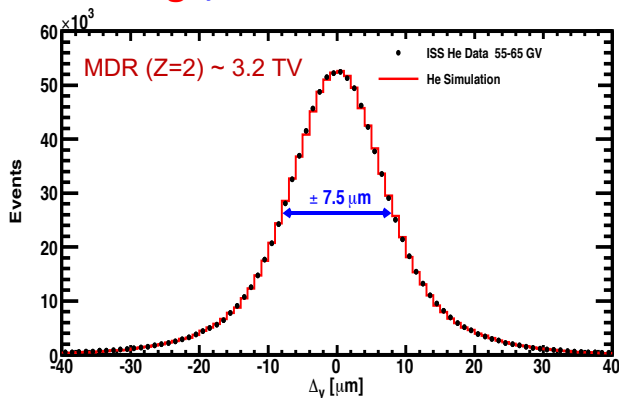
1. Determine direction with TOF.



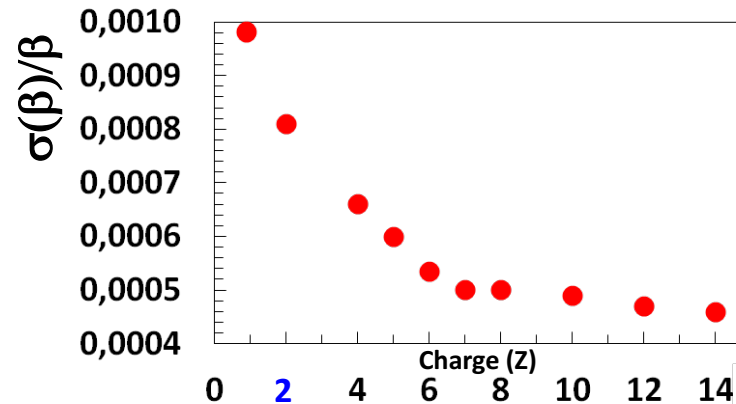
2. To measure $|Z|$, use the TOF+Tracker+RICH to separate p, e^\pm from He



3. To measure momentum and sign of the charge, use Tracker



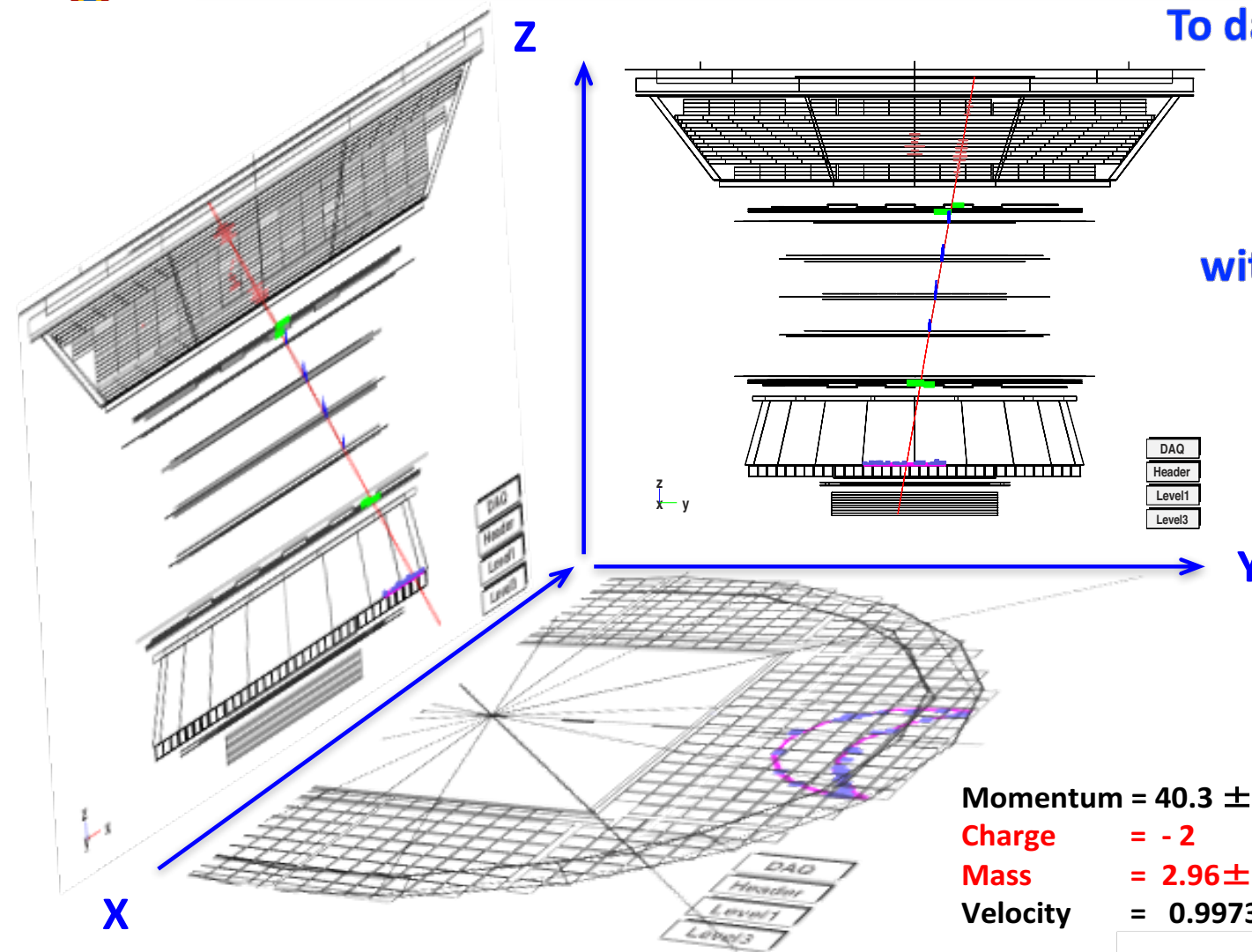
4. To determine mass, use the RICH to measure the velocity.





An anti-helium candidate

To date we have observed
 a few events
 with $Z = -2$ and
 with mass around ${}^3\text{He}$.



Momentum = $40.3 \pm 2.9 \text{ GeV}/c$
 Charge = -2
 Mass = $2.96 \pm 0.33 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
 Velocity = $0.9973 \pm 0.0005 c$



CPU effort...

At a signal to background ratio of one in one billion,
detailed understanding of the instrument is required.

Detector verification is difficult.

1. The magnetic field cannot be changed.
2. The rate is ~ 1 per year.
3. Simulation studies:

Helium simulation to date:

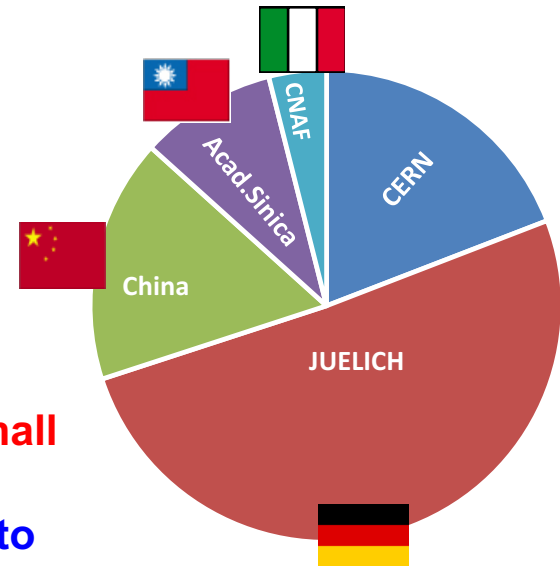
2.2 million CPU-Days =

35 billion simulated helium events:

Monte Carlo study shows the background is small

How to ensure that the simulation is accurate to
one in one billion?

The few events have mass 2.8 GeV and charge -2 like ${}^3\overline{\text{He}}$.
Their existence has fundamental implication in physics.

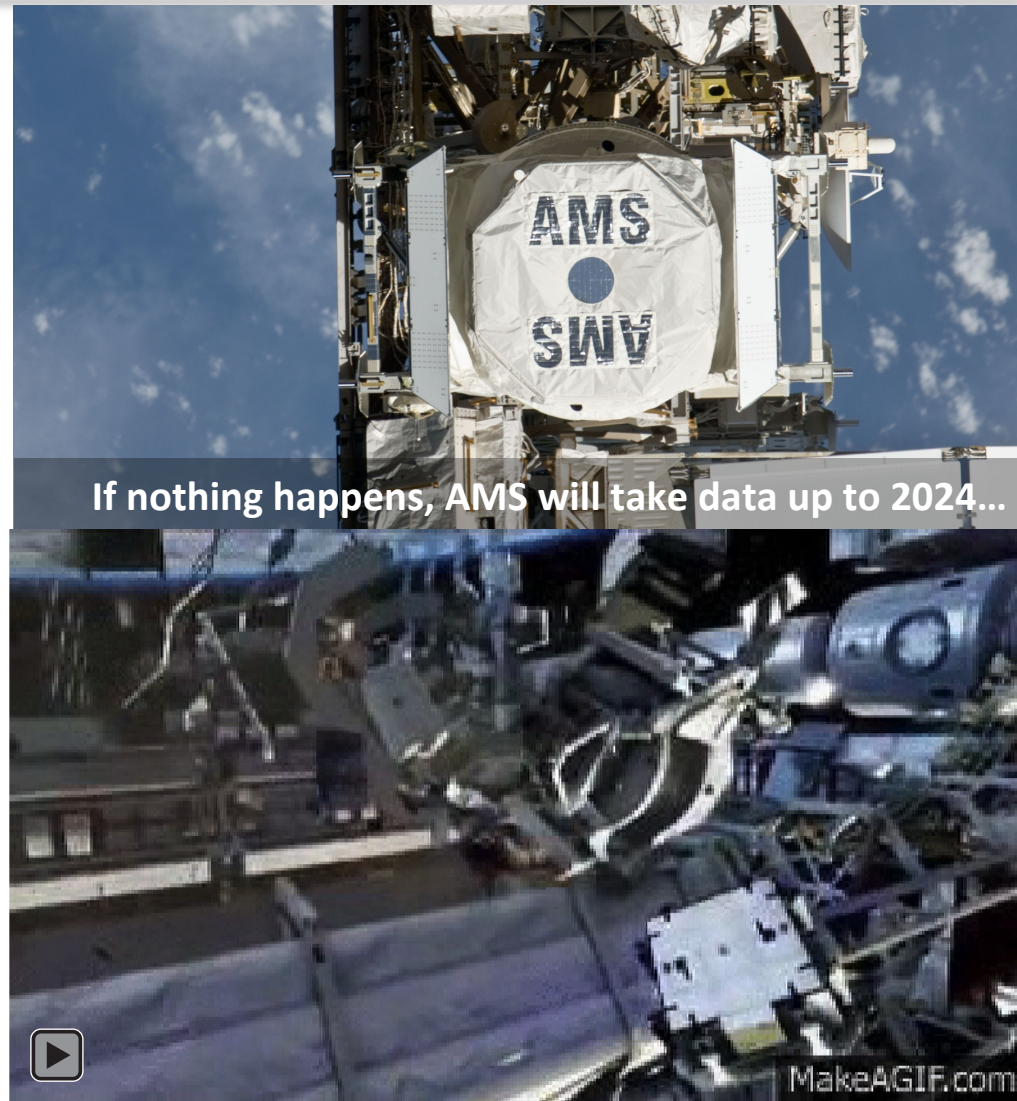


...stay tuned but it will take a while...



Conclusions

- AMS is the Cosmic Rays observatory and it will stay also in next decade
- The collaboration is providing the absolute and relative abundances of the various species
- **The accuracy of the experimental measurements is currently better than the uncertainty in the phenomenological models and is allowing very detailed studies**



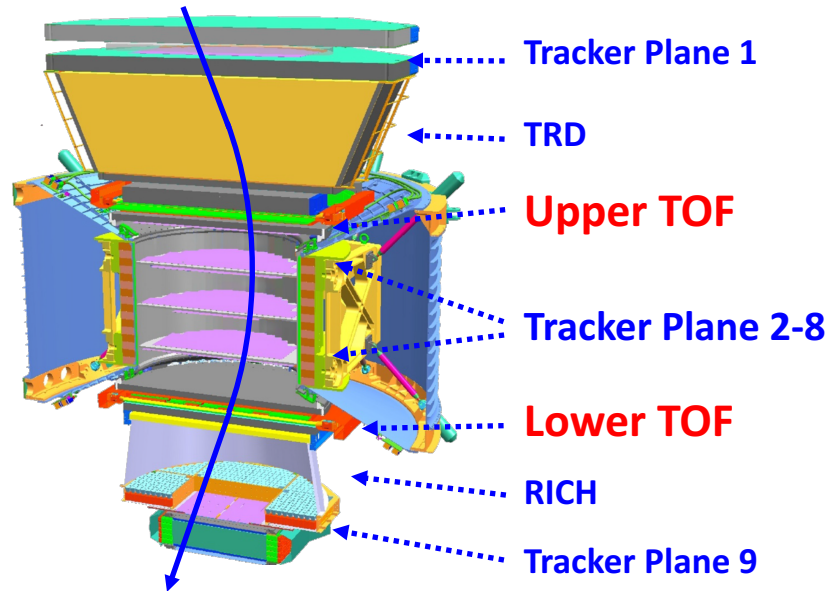


Backup



AntiHe analysis

In five years, 3.7 billion helium events have been collected by AMS when both the Upper and Lower TOF measure $|Z| = 2$ with an accuracy of 0.08



Of these, 100 million passed through the full lever arm (L1 to L9) and are used in the analysis of the helium spectrum.

In our helium publication we used the first 2.5 years of data (50 million events).

In searching for antihelium we use a larger acceptance (L2 to L8) with 700 million helium events to date.

**To date we have observed
a few events
with $Z = -2$ and
with mass around ${}^3\text{He}$.**

Flux of light antimatter nuclei near Earth, induced by cosmic rays in the Galaxy and in the atmosphere

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Predicted $\bar{\text{He}}/\text{He}$ ratio

produced by ordinary cosmic rays :

$${}^3\bar{\text{He}}/\text{He}[16-60]\text{GeV}/c = 6 \times 10^{-12}$$

$${}^4\bar{\text{He}}/\text{He}[16-60]\text{GeV}/c < 5 \times 10^{-17}$$

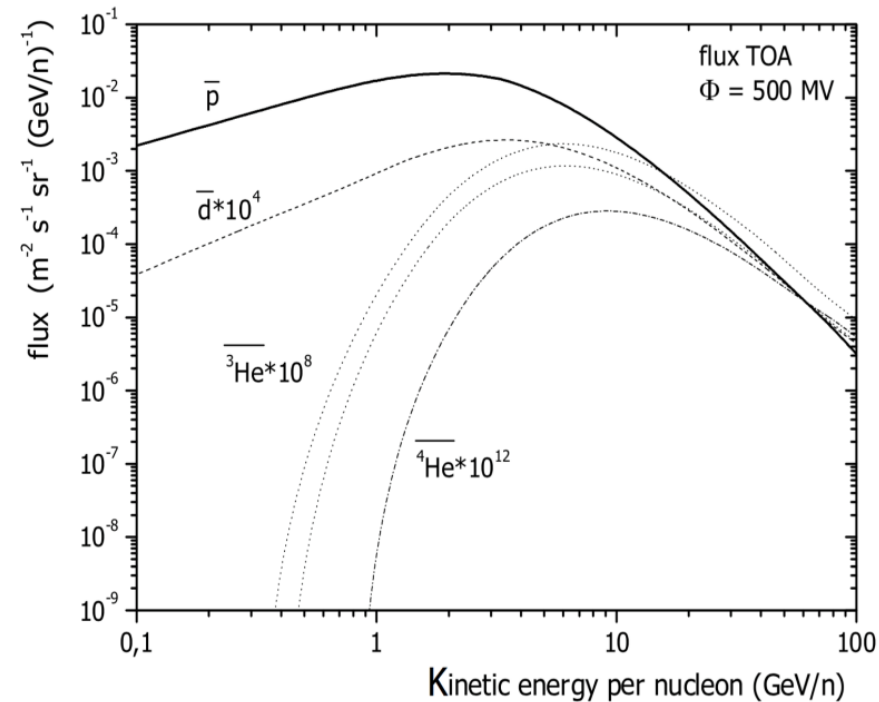


FIG. 15. Galactic flux for \bar{p} (solid line), \bar{d} (dashed), ${}^3\bar{\text{He}}$ (dash-dotted), and ${}^4\bar{\text{He}}$ (dotted) antimatter particles. The lower (respectively upper) dashed line corresponds to the case where the ${}^3\text{H}$ production is not taken (respectively taken) into account (see text for details).



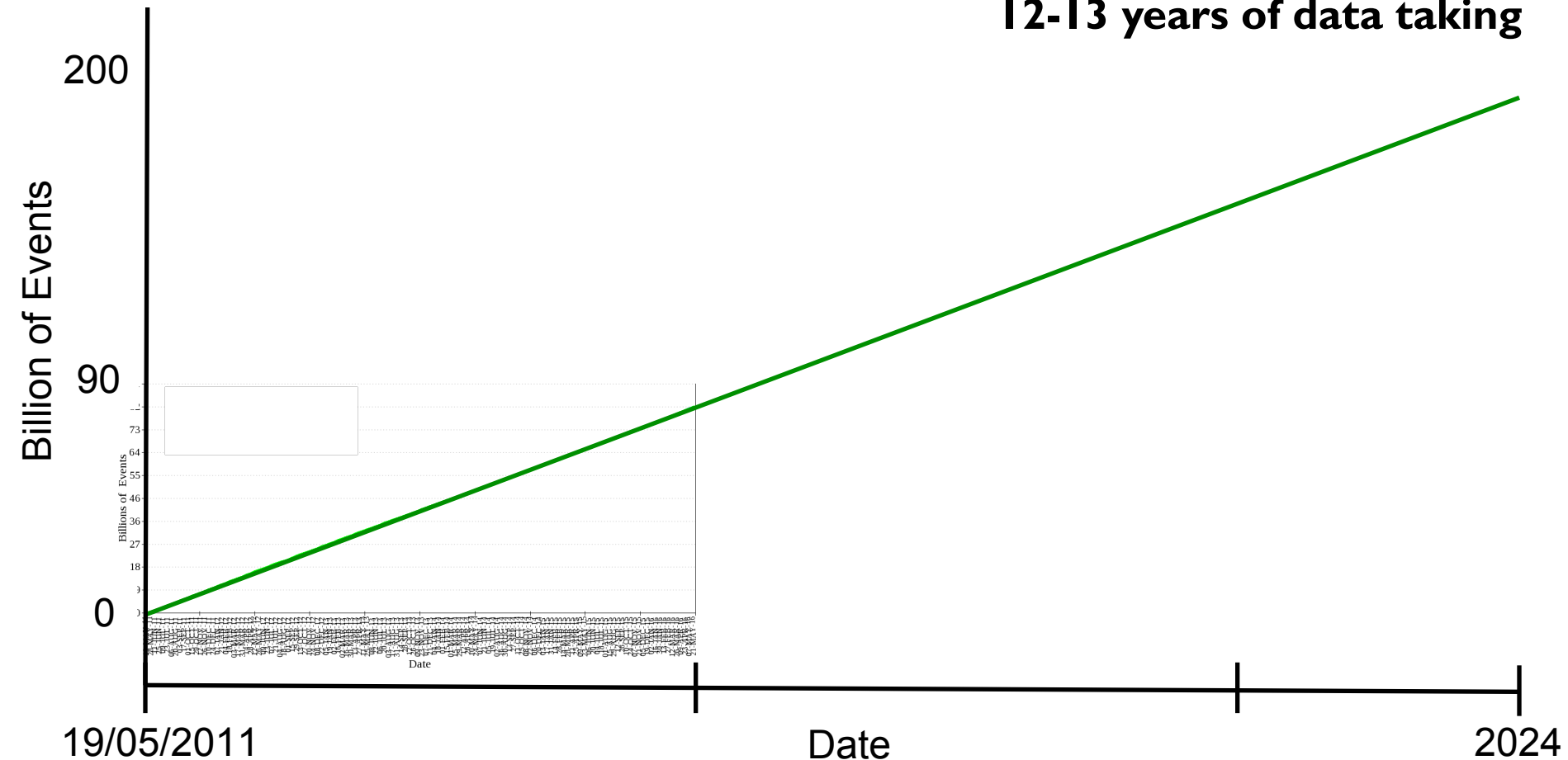
Detectors and statistics



The statistics

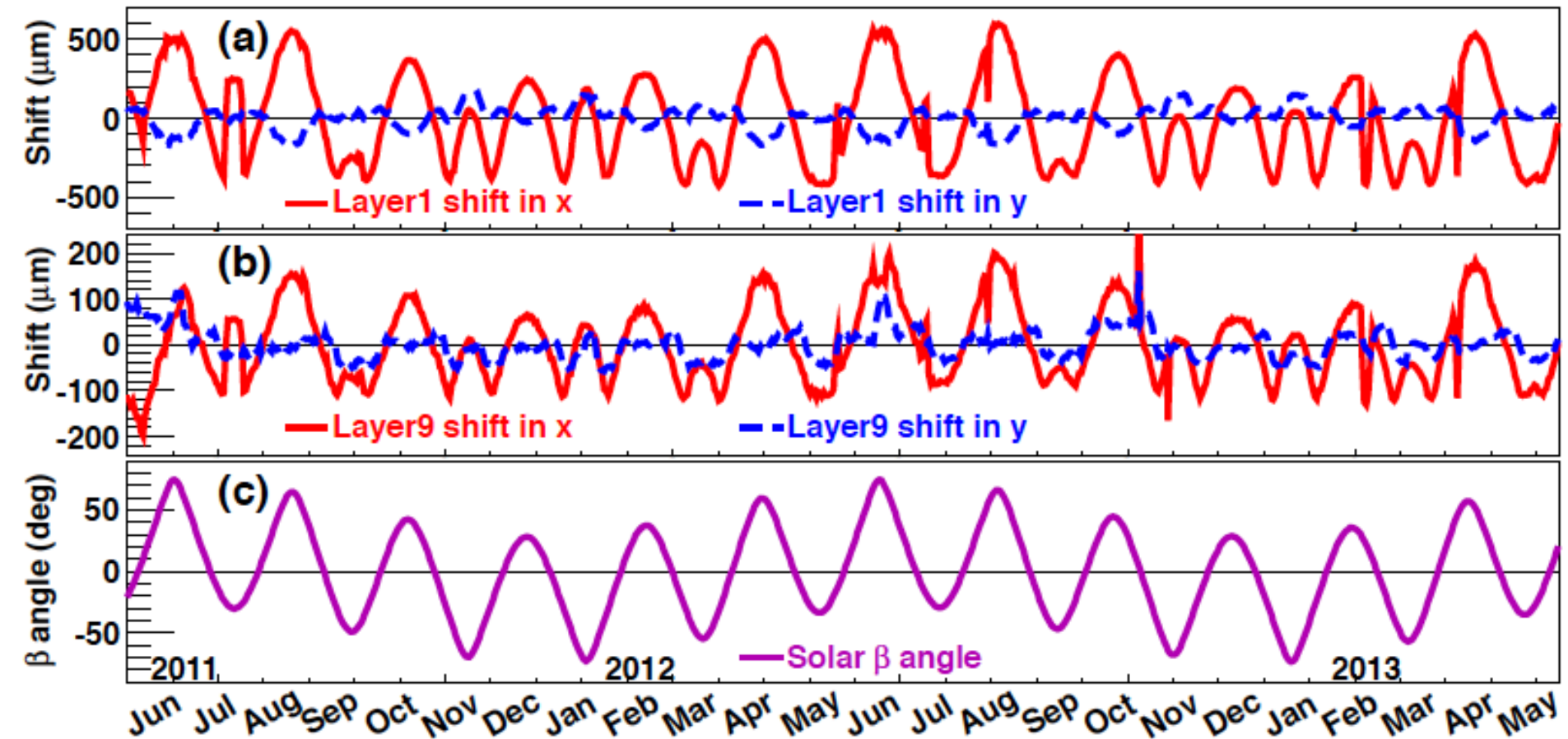
@2024 AMS will collect ~ 200 billion of events

12-13 years of data taking



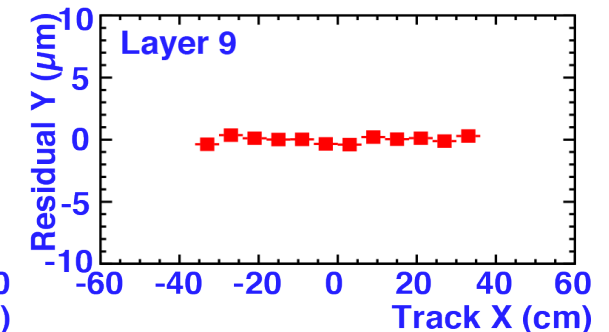
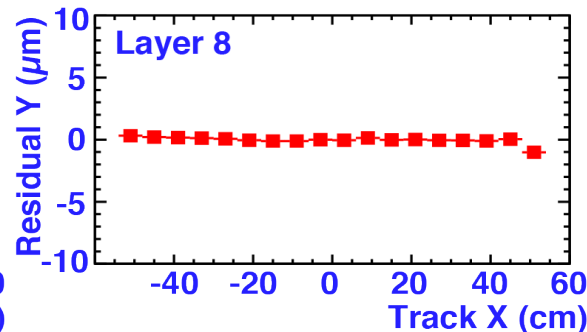
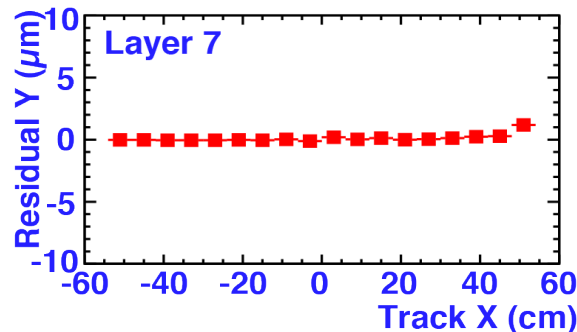
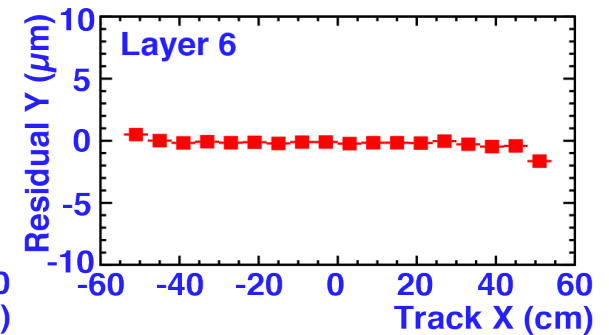
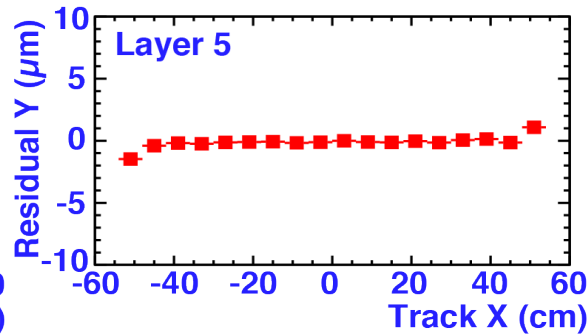
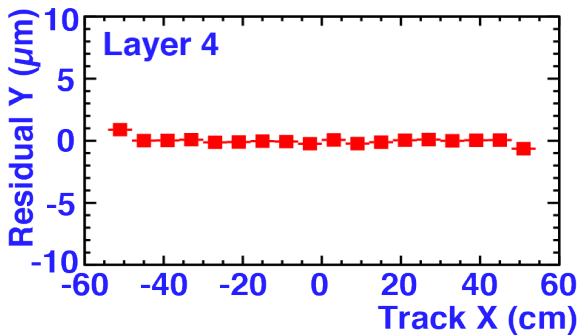
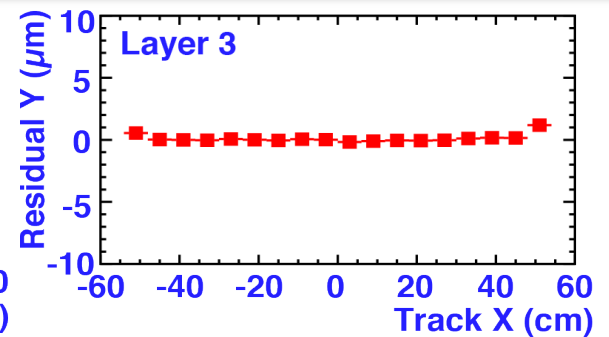
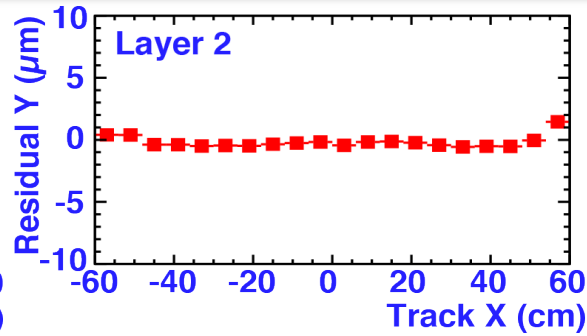
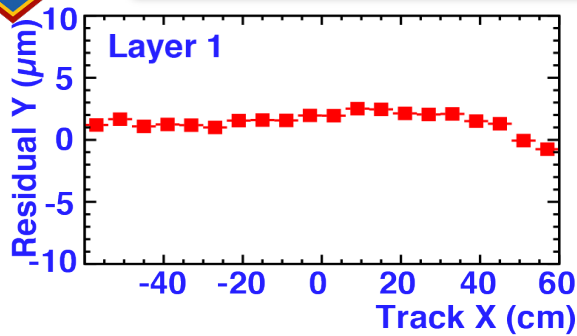


Tracker stability





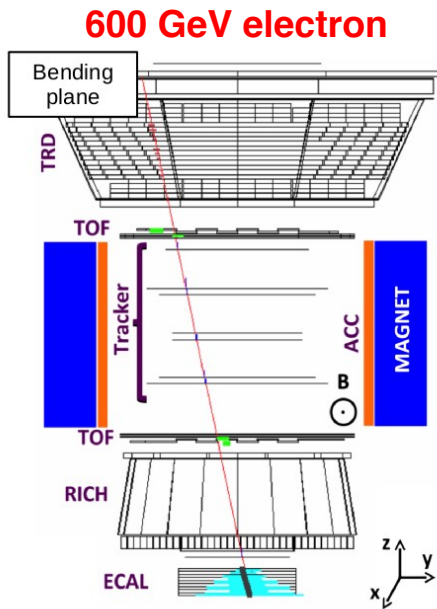
Tracker alignment





Single particle ID

Full coverage of **anti-matter** and **RC physics**



	e^+	e^-	p	\bar{p}	He	$\bar{\text{He}}$
TRD 20 layers						
TOF 4 layers						
TRK 9 layers						
RICH						
ECAL 18 layers						

e/p separation
charge ($|Z|$)

trigger
velocity (β)
charge ($|Z|$)

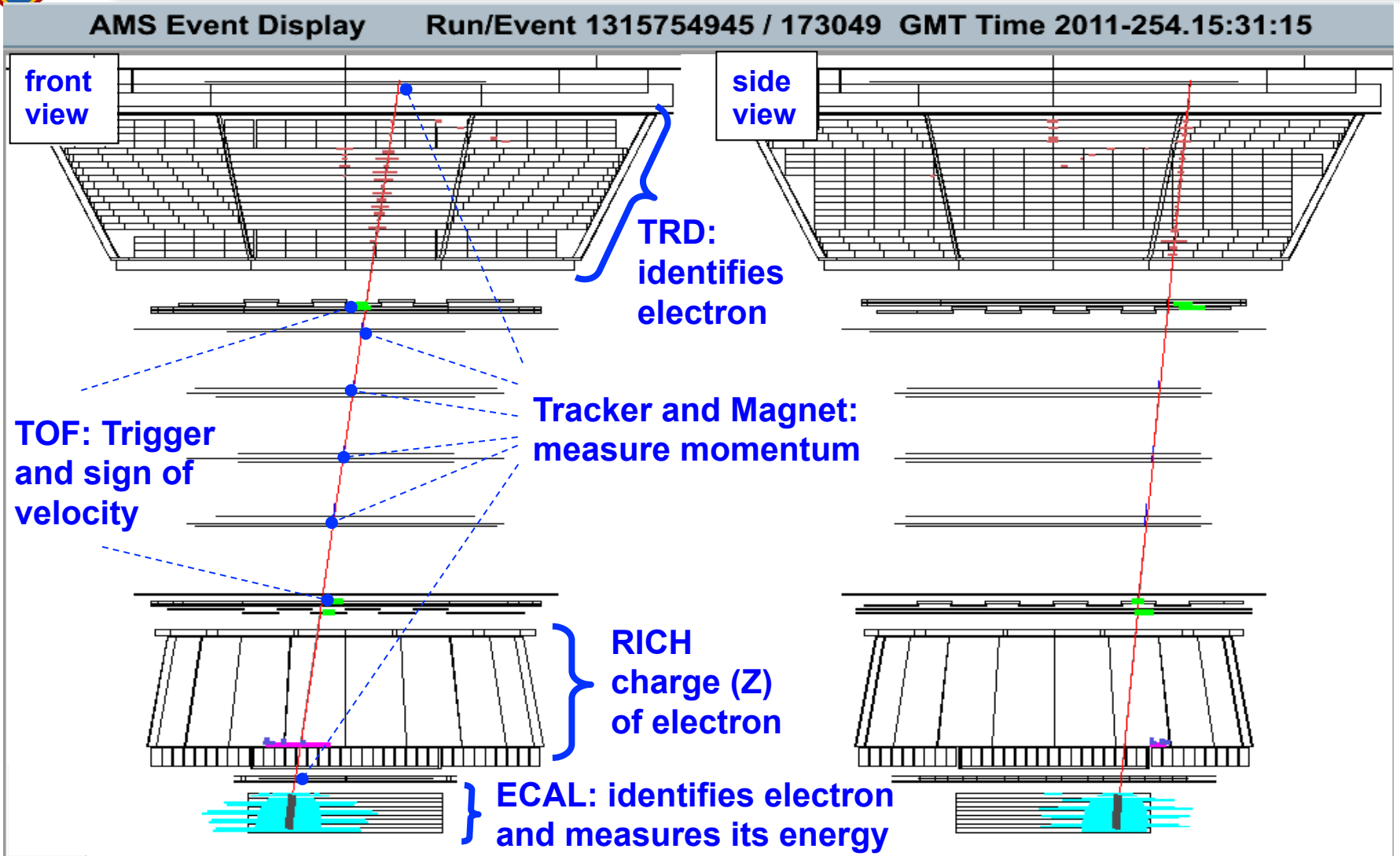
momentum (p)
sign ($\pm Q$)
charge ($|Z|$)

velocity (β)
charge ($|Z|$)

e^\pm energy
 e/h separation
 γ trigger



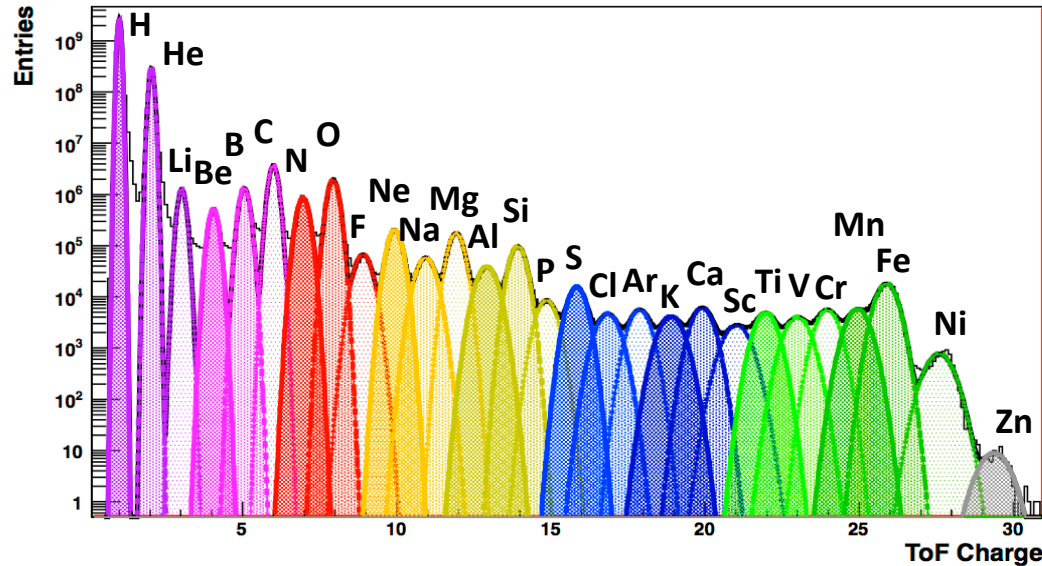
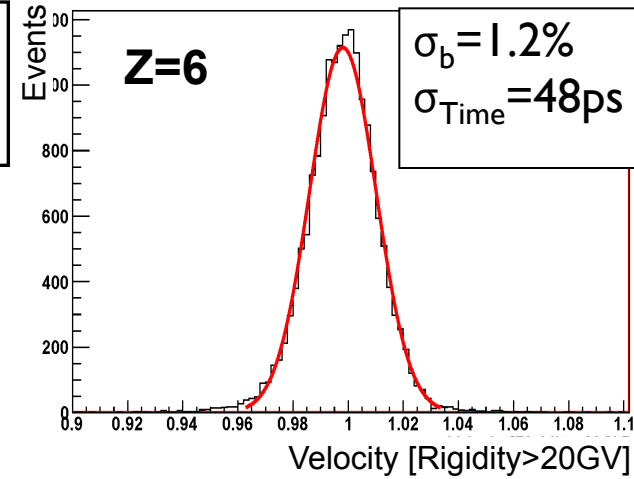
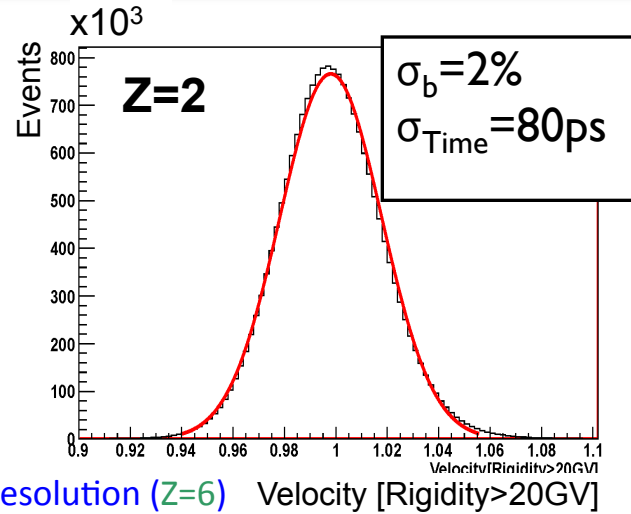
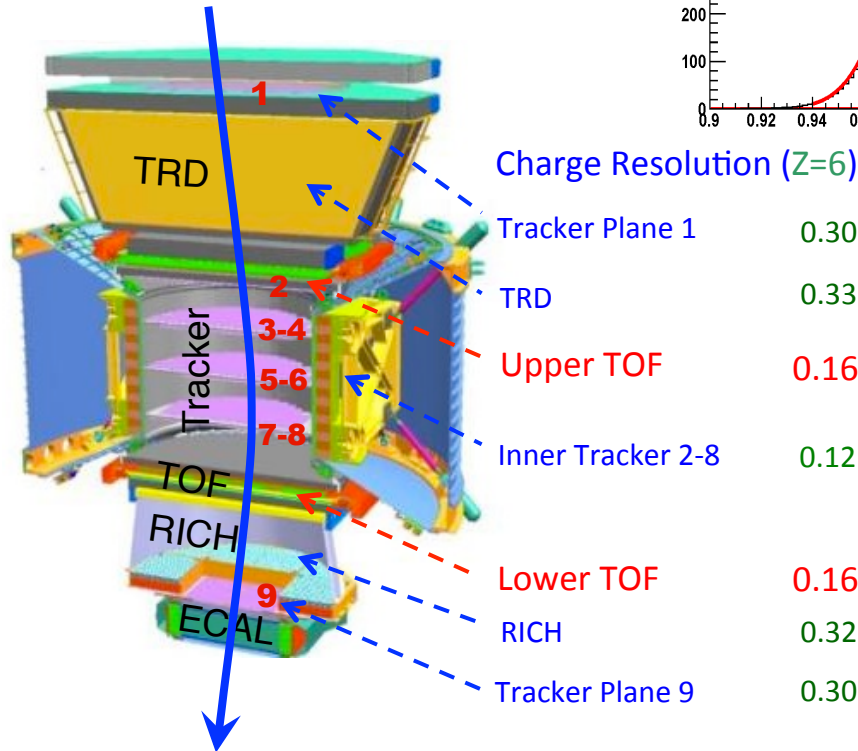
AMS data on ISS - 1.03 TeV electron





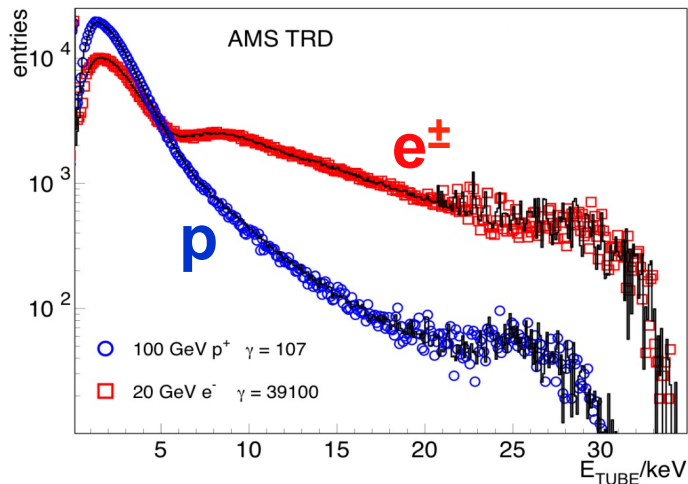
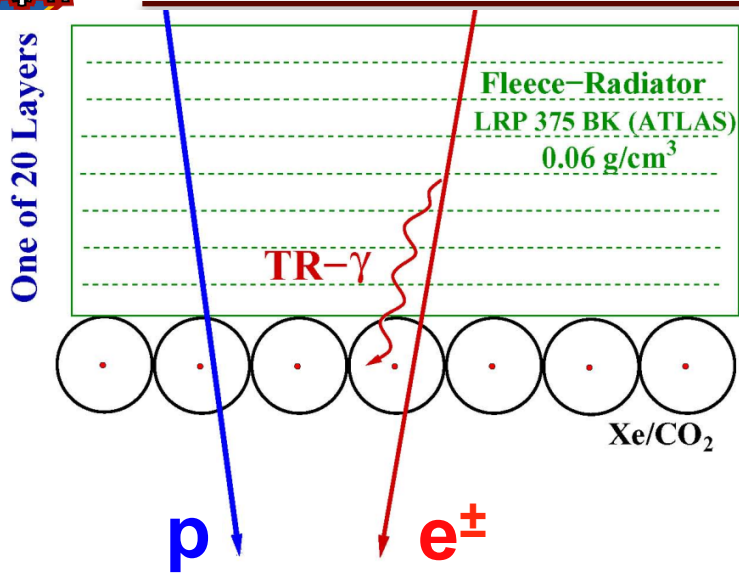
Time of Flight (TOF)

Up-going particles
(fake anti-matter!)
rejection up to 10^9





Transition Radiation Detector (TRD)



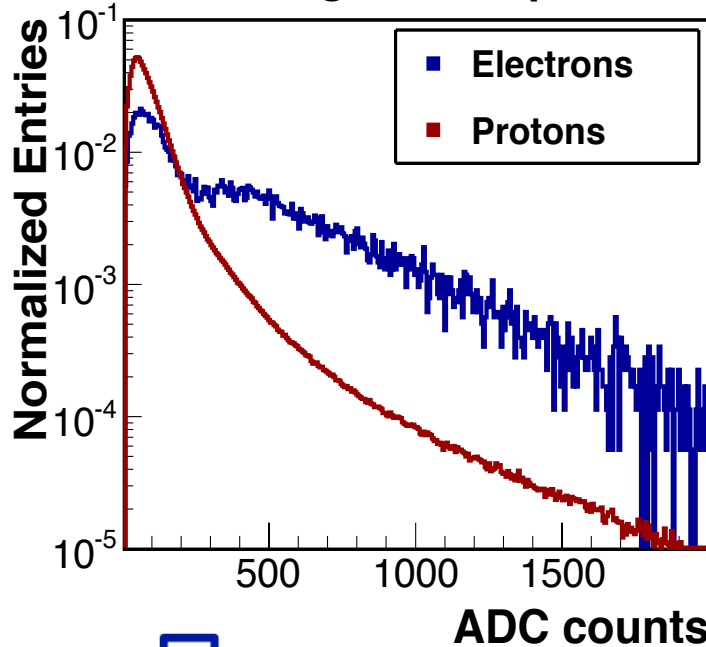
$$P_e = \sqrt[n]{\prod_i^n P_e^{(i)}(A)}$$

$$P_p = \sqrt[n]{\prod_i^n P_p^{(i)}(A)}$$



TRD e/p signals

TRD - Single tube spectrum

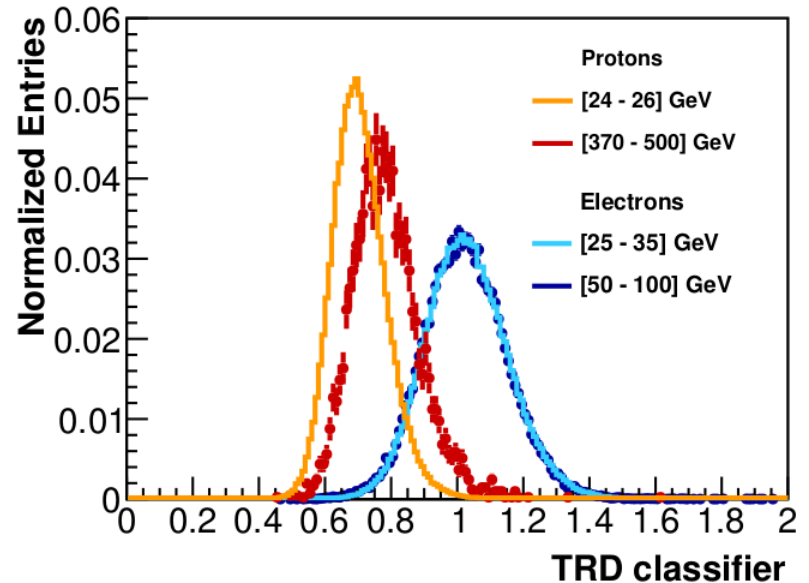


icles the energy deposit in TRD is expected to be
 lependent from energy.

3eV was possible to build an **universal** template
 acted directly from data

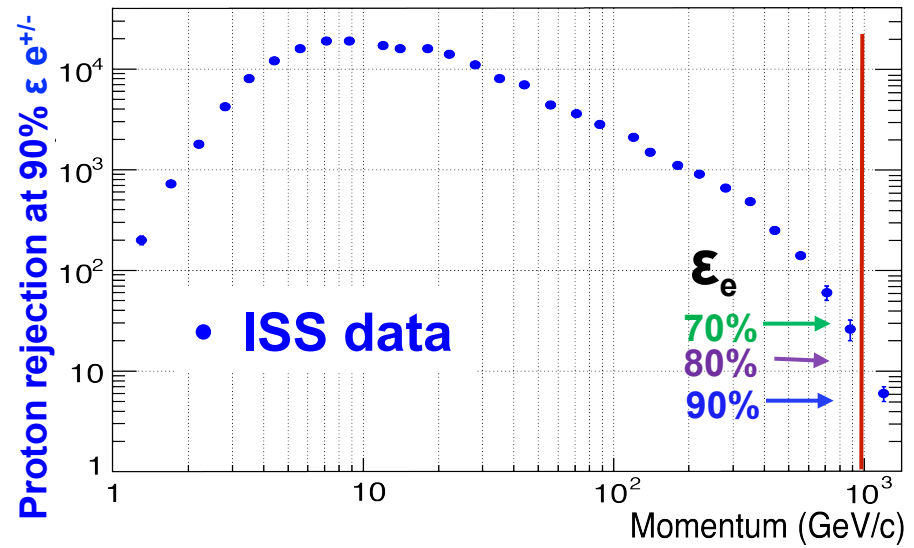
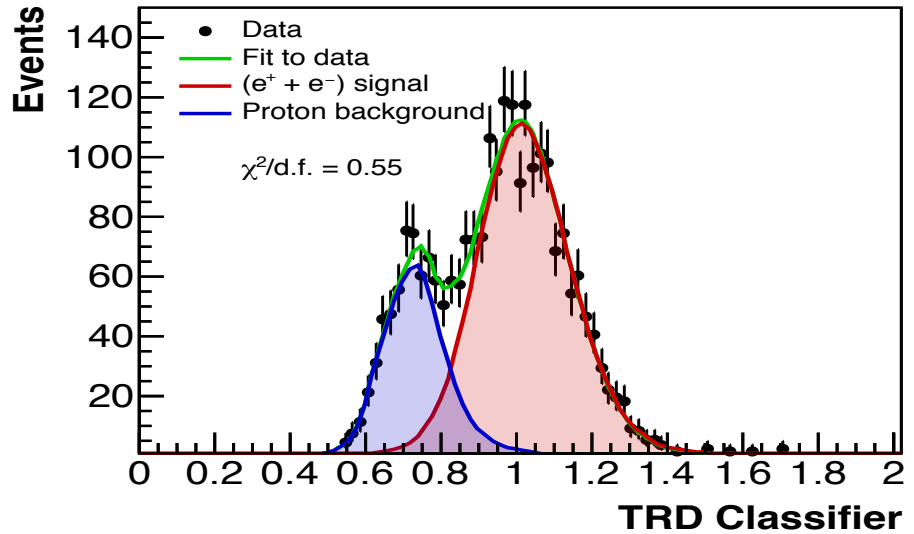
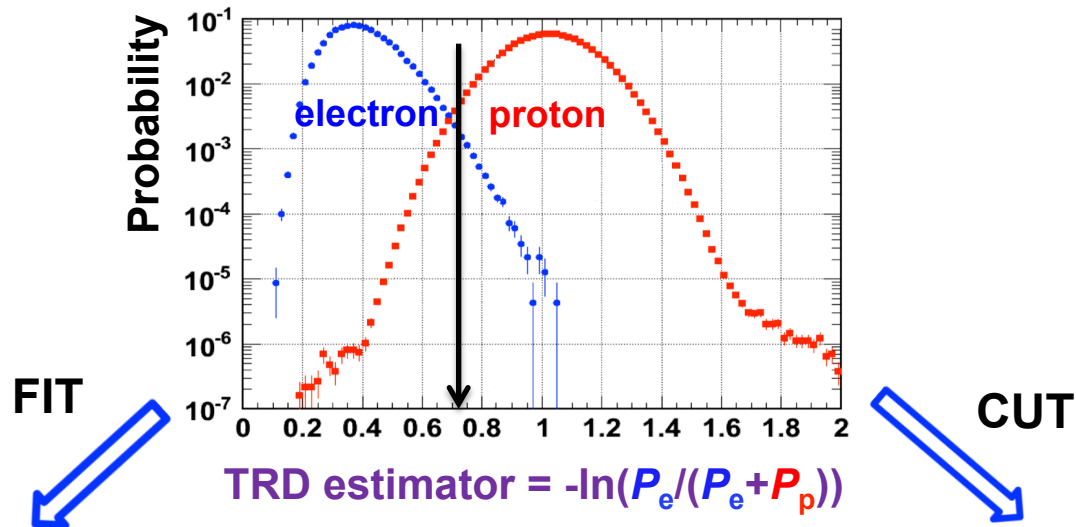
TRD-LLe = $\text{Log}_{10}(P_e)$

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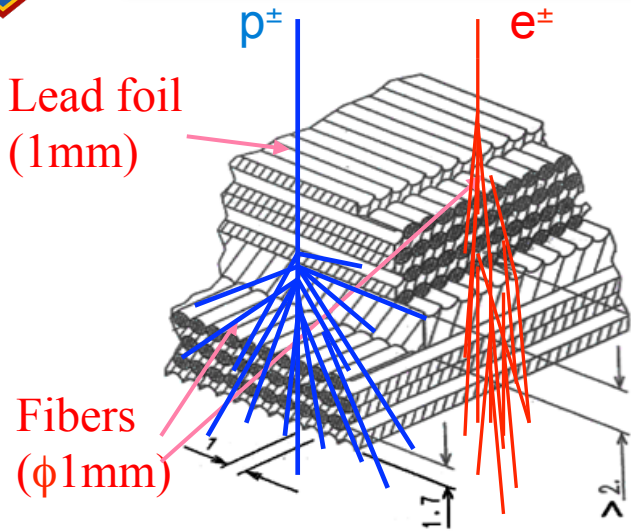


TRD e/p separation

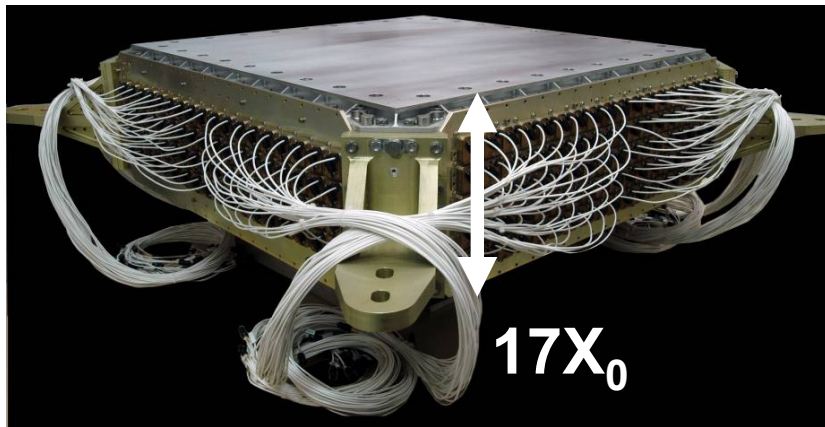




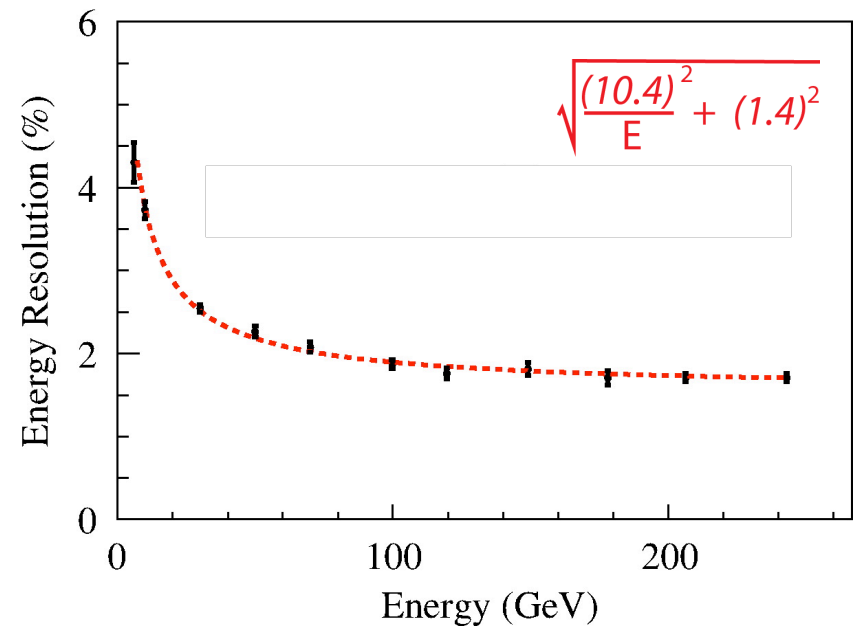
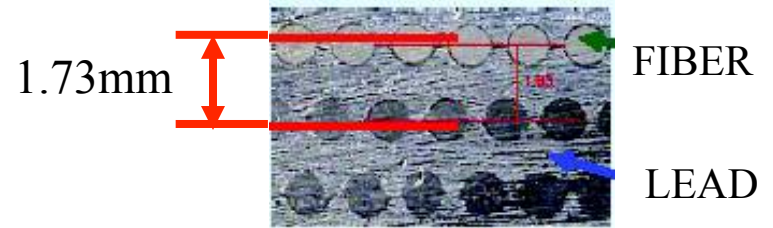
Electromagnetic Calorimeter (ECAL)



50,000 fibers, $\phi = 1$ mm distributed uniformly inside 600 kg of lead



A precision, 3-D measurement of the directions and energies of gammas and electrons up to 1 TeV

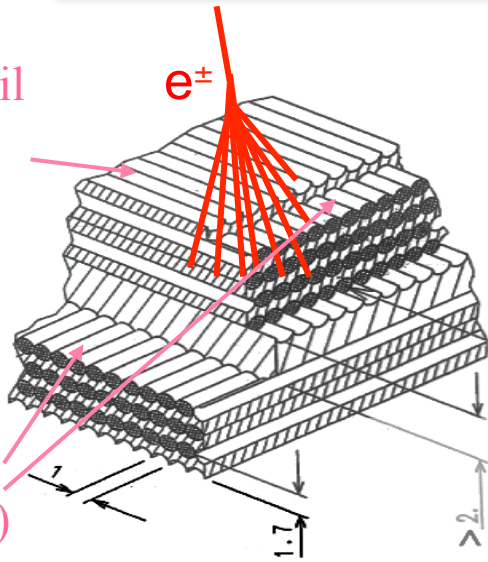




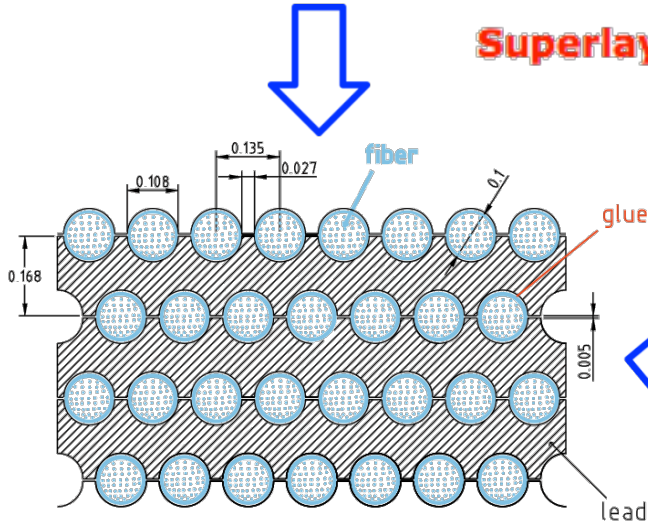
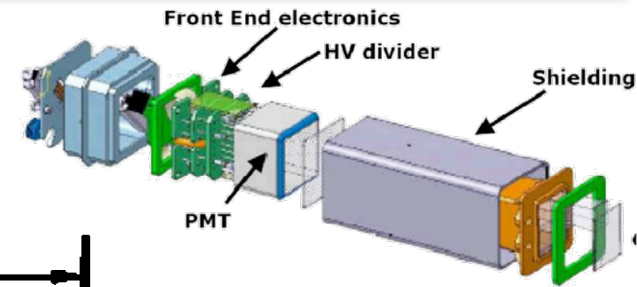
ECAL segmentation

Lead foil
(1mm)

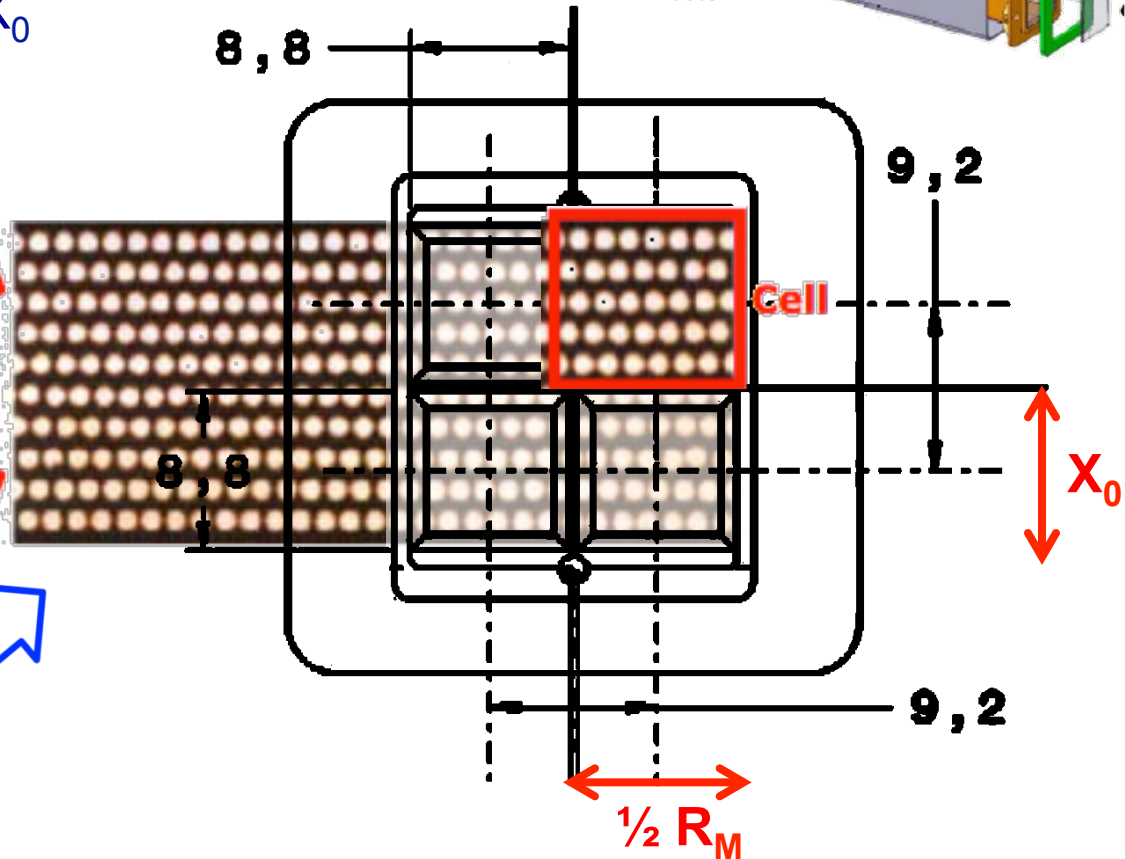
Fibers
(ϕ 1mm)



AMS ECAL:
18 layers
9 super-layers
17 X_0

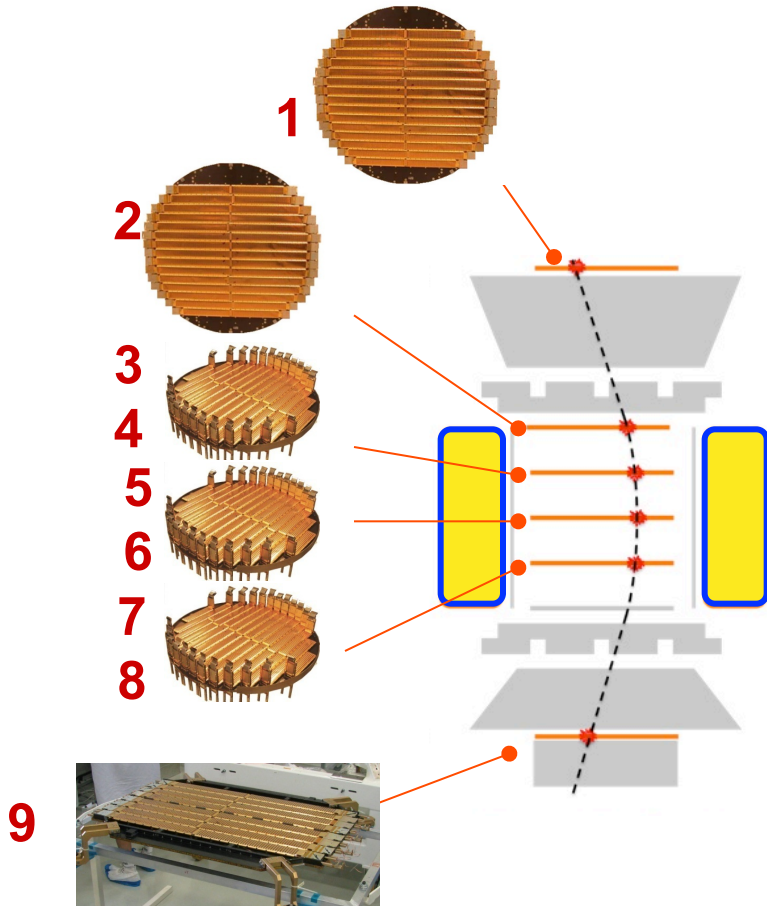


Superlayer





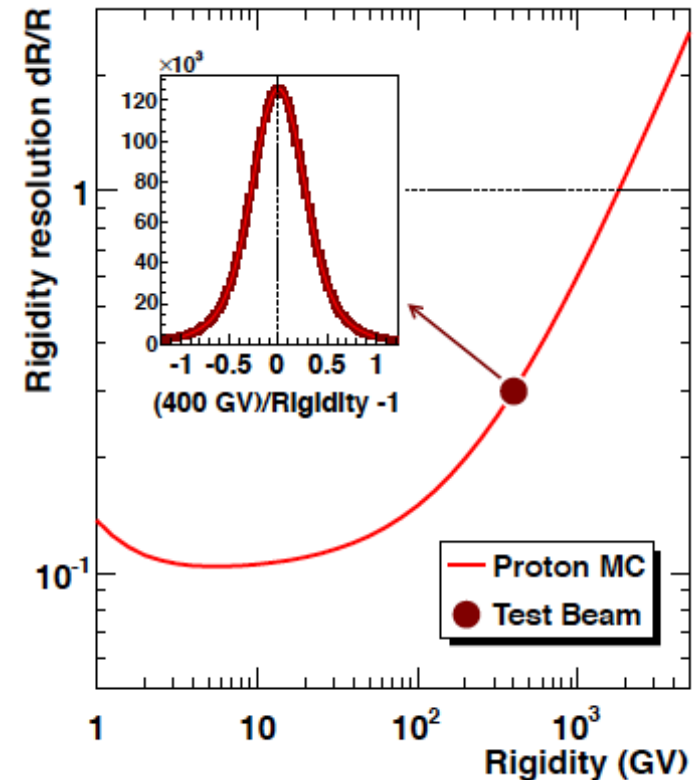
Silicon Tracker



9 layers of double sided silicon microstrip detectors
192 ladders / 2598 sensors/ 200k readout channels

Coordinate resolution $10 \mu\text{m}$

- 20–UV Lasers to monitor inner tracker alignment
- Cosmic rays to monitor outer tracker alignment

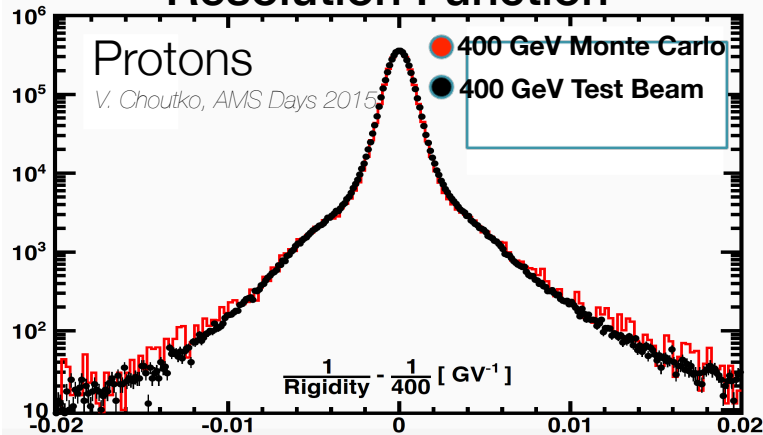




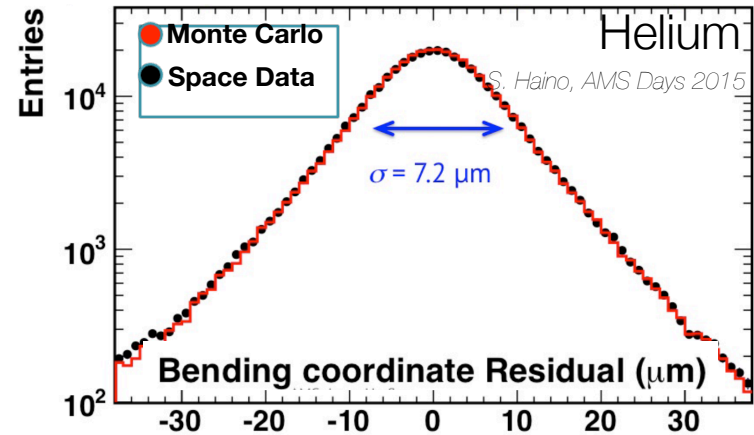
AMS-02 Tracker Performances

The AMS-02 Tracker Rigidity resolution has been checked comparing **Test Beam** data and **Monte Carlo Simulations** to **Space data**.

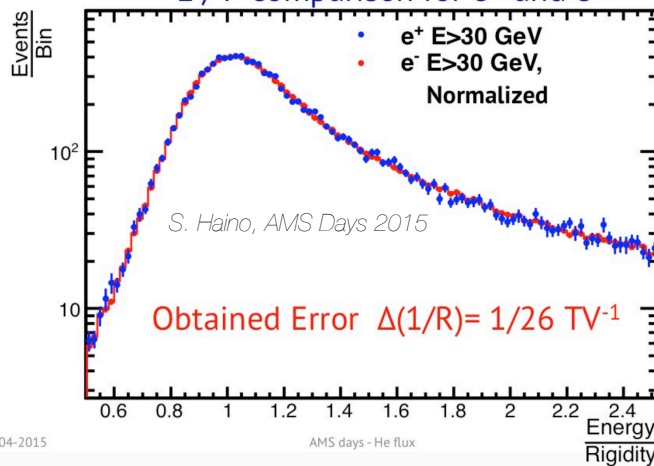
Resolution Function



Coordinate resolution



E / P comparison for e+ and e-

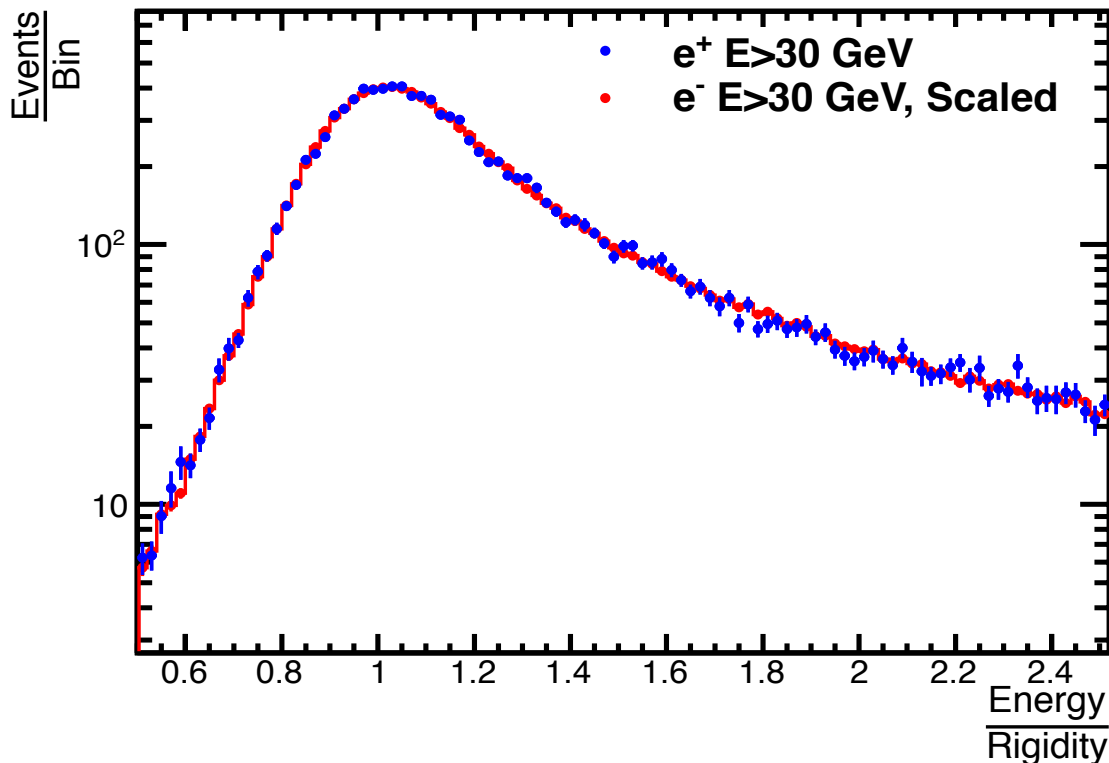


The redundant measurement of the e[±] energy with the ECAL is used to further control the Tracker rigidity scale



Rigidity scale

Residual tracker misalignment, i.e. how the measured average inverse rigidity of straight tracks differs from zero. This was measured by comparing the $\overline{Energy[E, \text{ Measured by ECAL}]/Rigidity[R, \text{ Measured by Tracker}]}$ ratio for electron and positron events and was found to be less than $1/(26TV)$, limited mostly by the high energy positron statistics



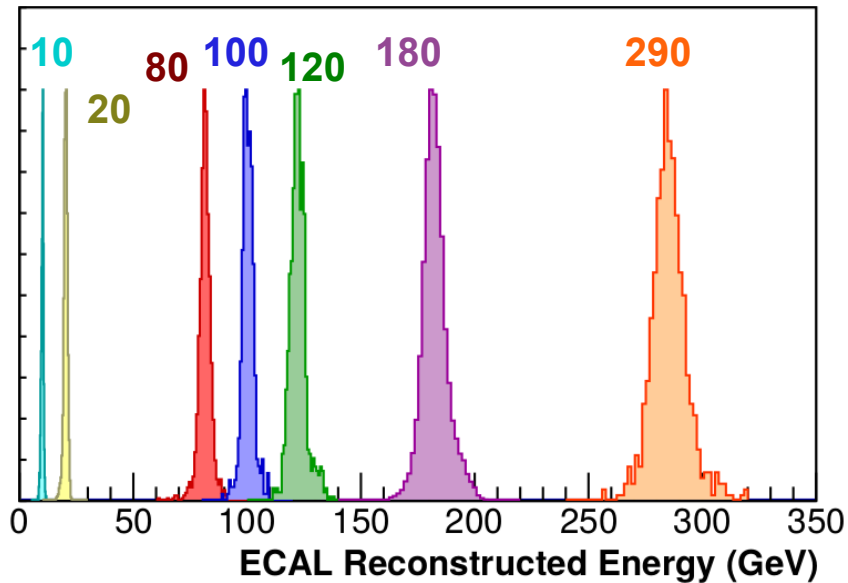
$$\frac{1}{\Delta} = \frac{\overline{(E/R)}_{e^+} - \overline{(E/R)}_{e^-}}{\overline{E}_{e^+} + \overline{E}_{e^-}}$$

$$1/\Delta \sim 0 \quad \sigma(1/\Delta) = 1/26 \text{ TV}^{-1}$$



Energy measurement

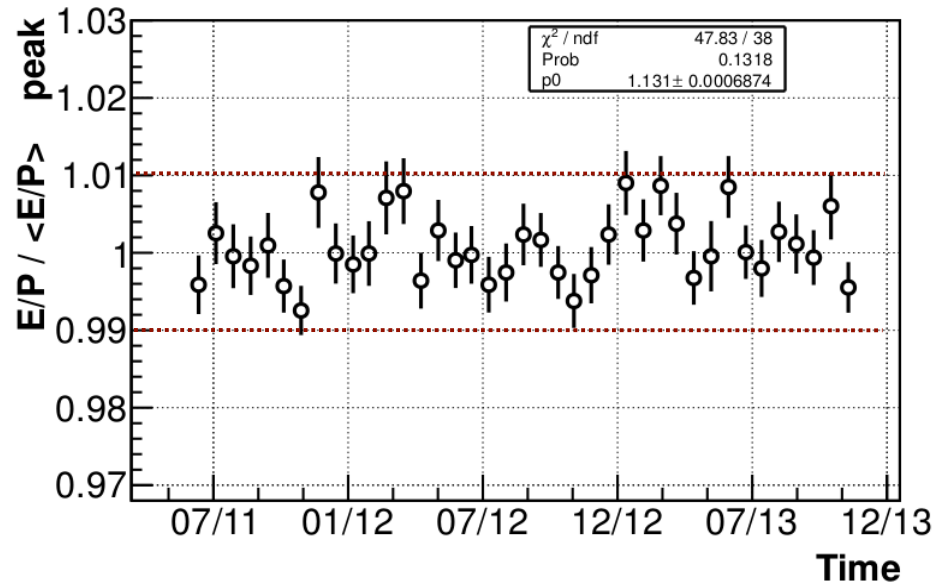
Test Beam Electrons



ECAL energy comparison with Tracker rigidity used to assure the stability of the scale over time

MIP ionization used to cross-calibrate the energy scale in flight

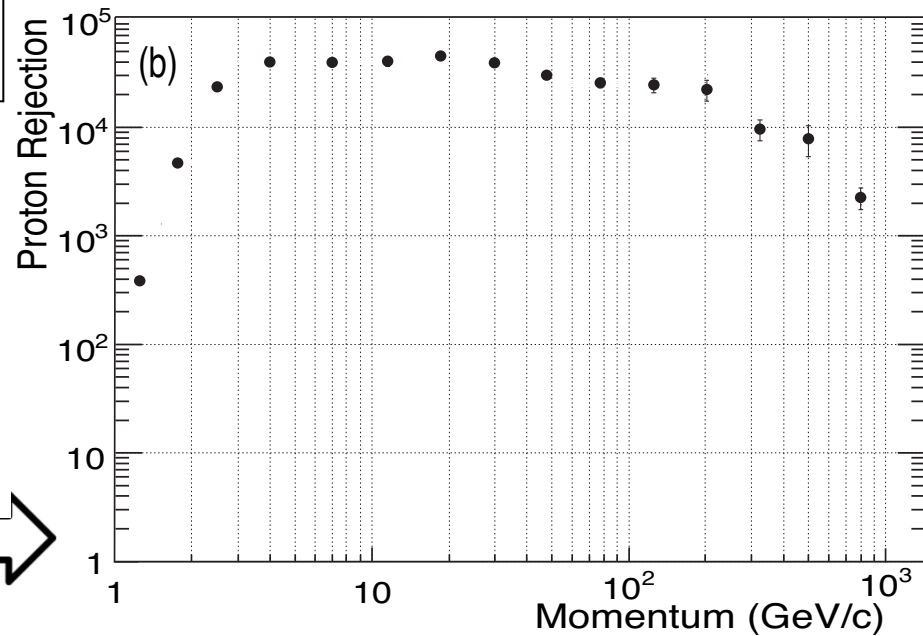
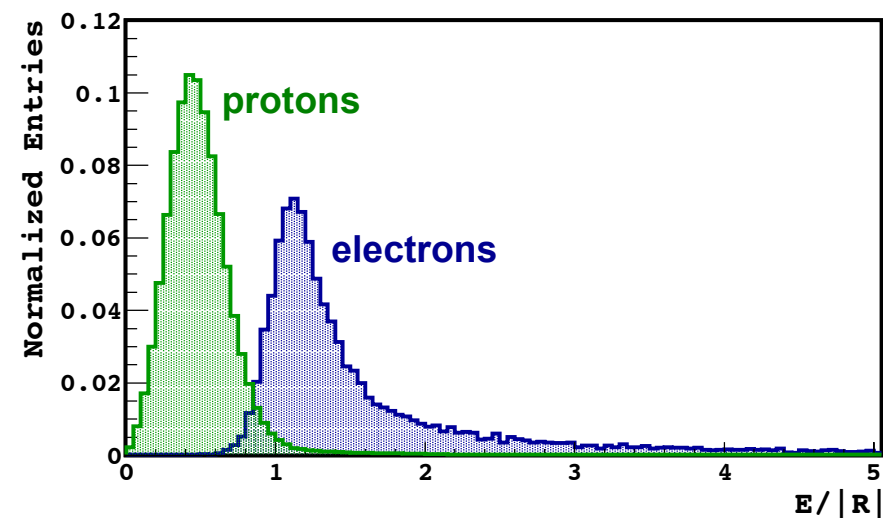
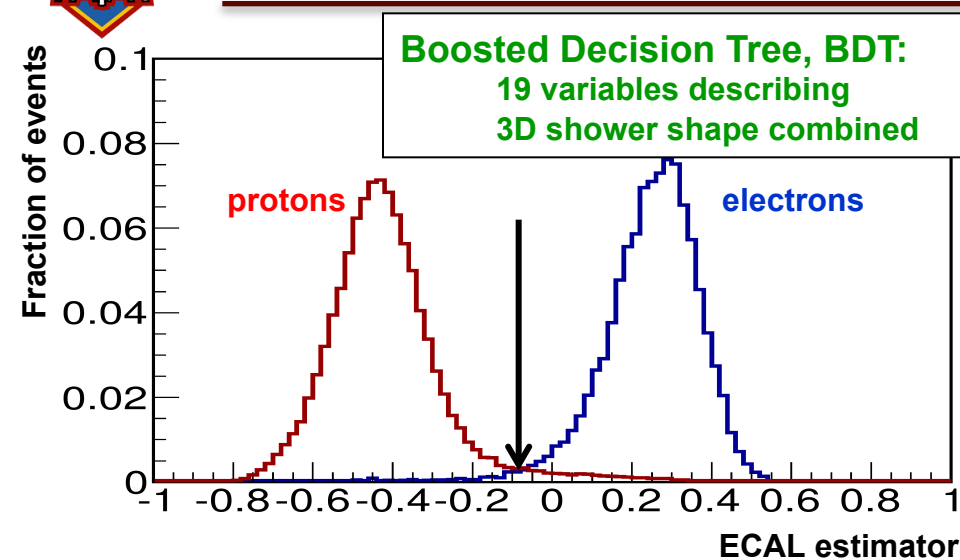
- ECAL energy resolution ~2%
- ECAL energy absolute scale tested during test beams on ground



ECAL energy scale known at 2% level in [10.0 – 290.0] GeV



ECAL e/p rejection



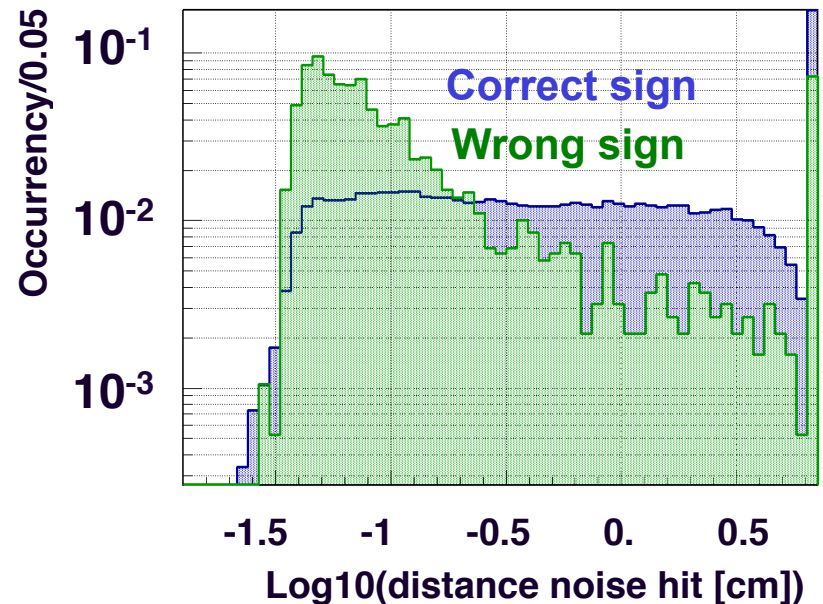
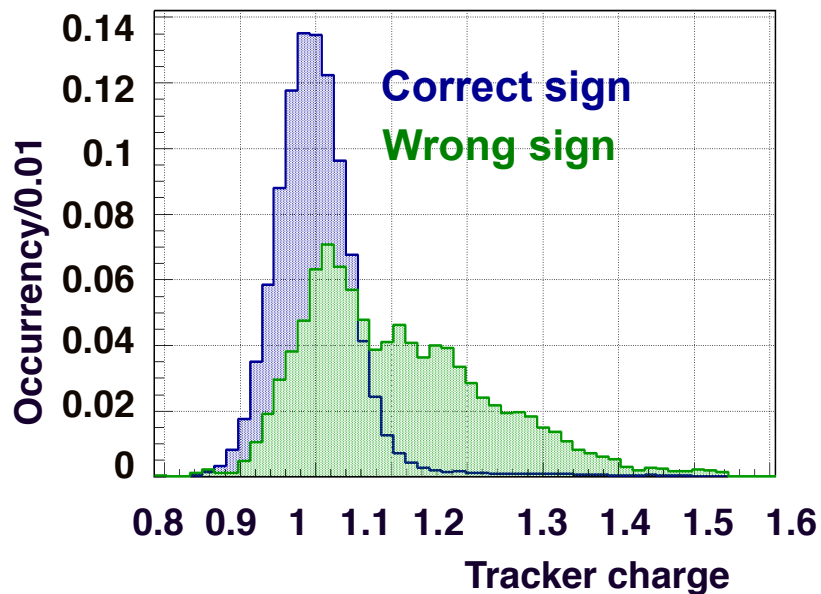
The Calorimeter thanks to its shower shape imaging capabilities can discriminate very sensibly electromagnetic from hadronic showers

Combining the ECAL energy information with the Tracker Rigidity (E/R) the e/p rejection can be furtherly increased



Charge confusion from interactions

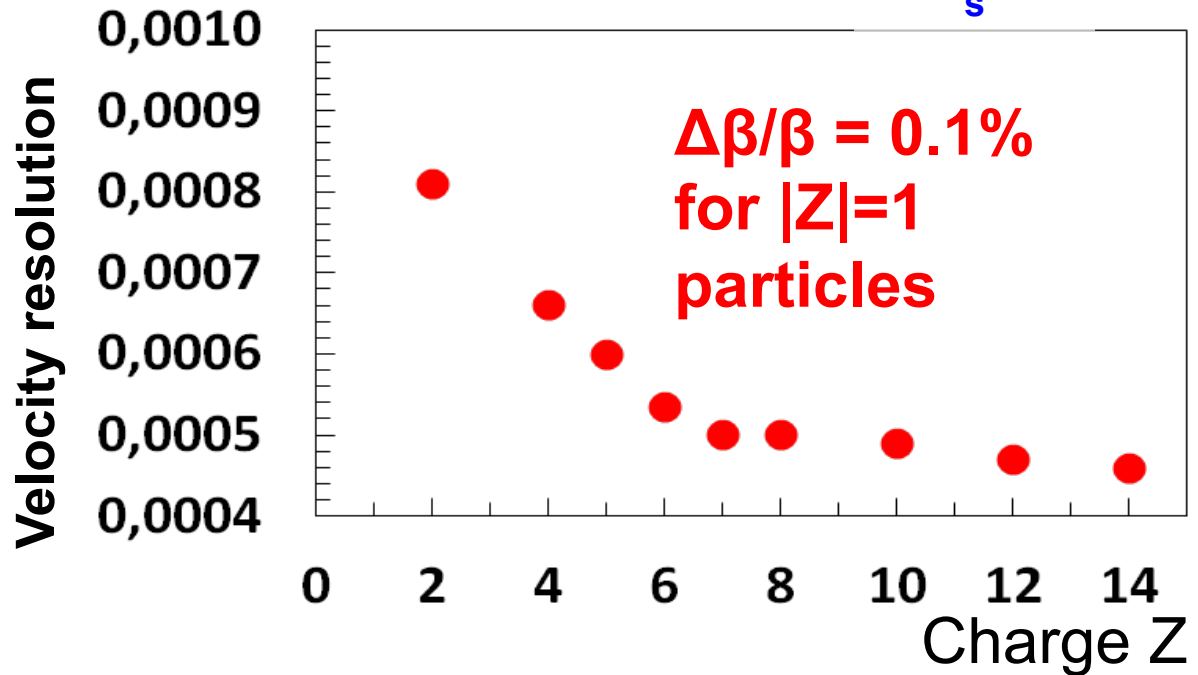
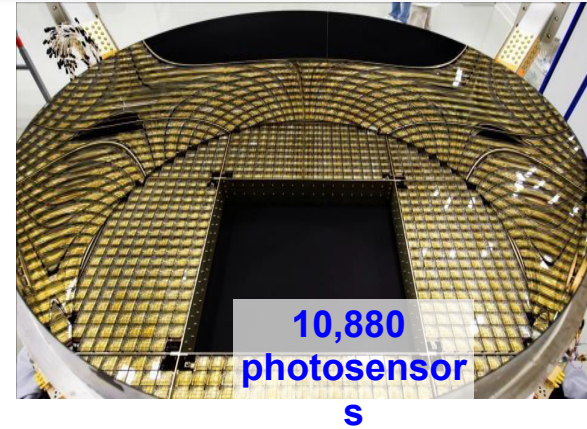
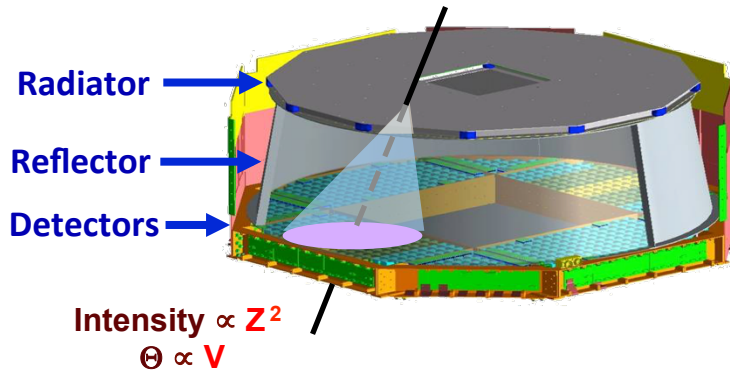
Different reconstructed quantities are sensitive to interactions and can be used to separate **Correct** and **Wrong** Charge Sign assignment



Use a statistical estimator to build a tracker charge sign discriminating variable



Ring Imaging Cherenkov





Leptons



Electron+positron flux

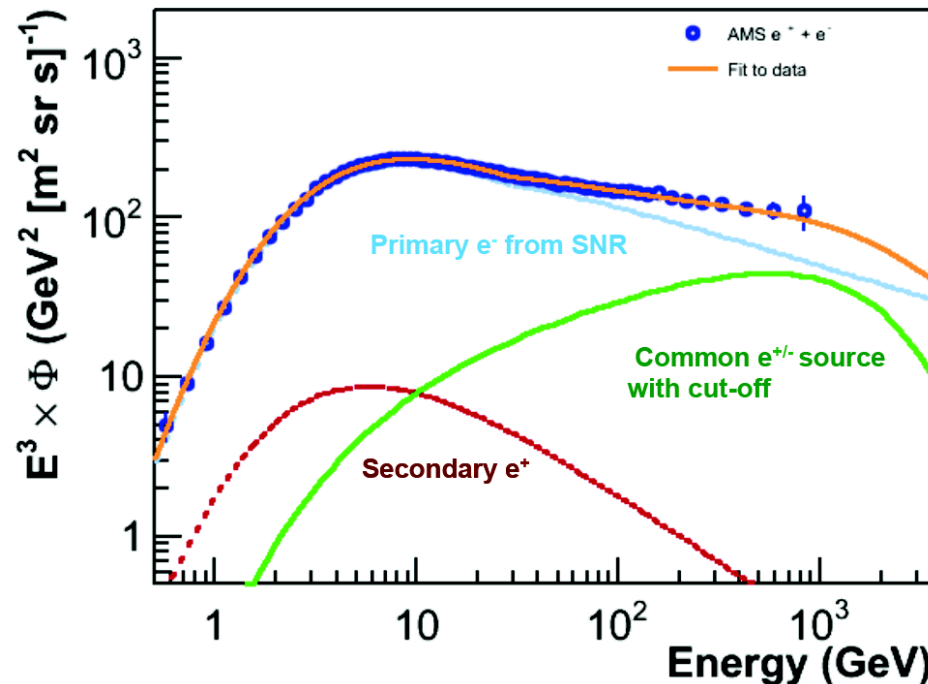
secondary positrons
from ISM interactions

$$\Phi_{e^+} = C_{e^+} E^{-\gamma_{e^+}} + C_s E^{-\gamma_s} e^{-E/E_s}$$

$$\Phi_{e^-} = C_{e^-} E^{-\gamma_{e^-}} + C_s E^{-\gamma_s} e^{-E/E_s}$$

common source
with a cutoff energy:

primary
electrons
from SNR





Last result on positron fraction: AMS

PRL 113, 121101 (2014)

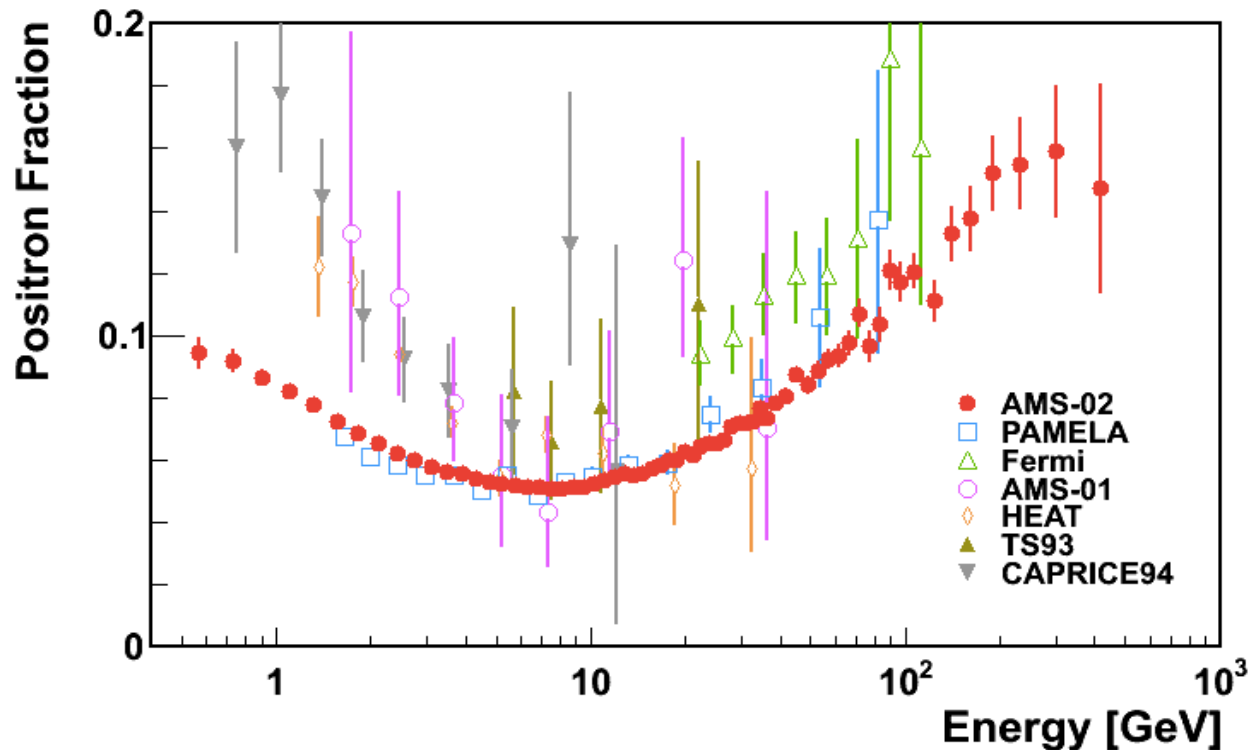
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High Statistics Measurement of the Positron Fraction in Primary Cosmic Rays of 0.5–500 GeV with the Alpha Magnetic Spectrometer on the International Space Station

10.9 million e^+ and e^- events

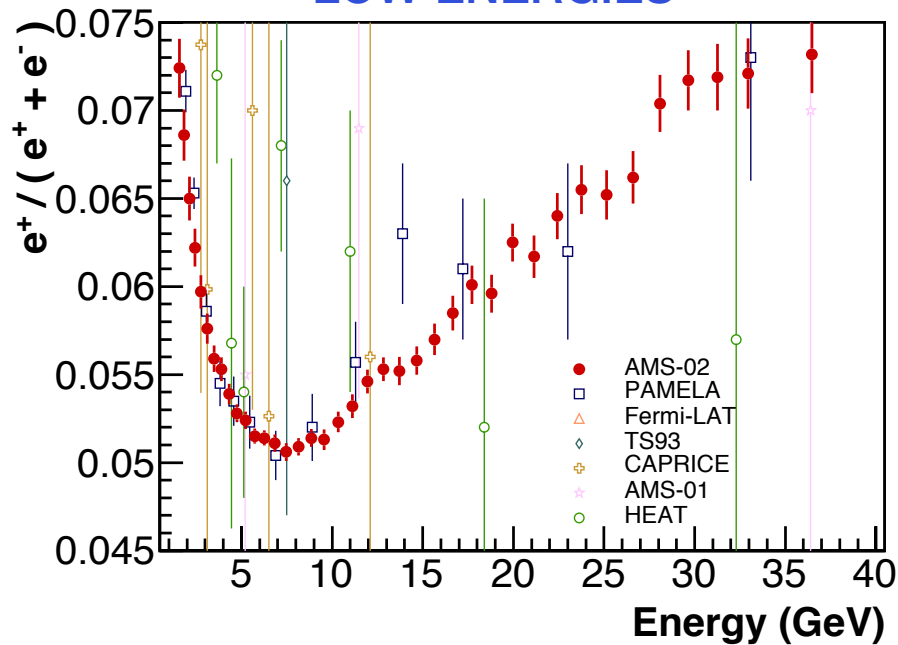




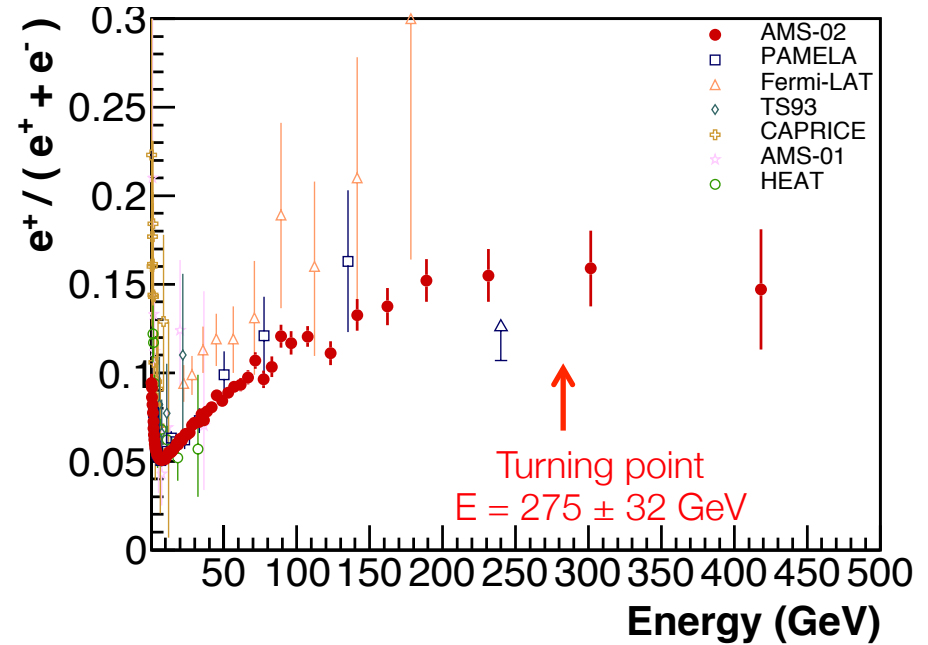
Positron Fraction

Rise in the fraction of positrons (antimatter) over electrons (matter) not expected by the current Standard Model of CR origin and propagation

LOW ENERGIES



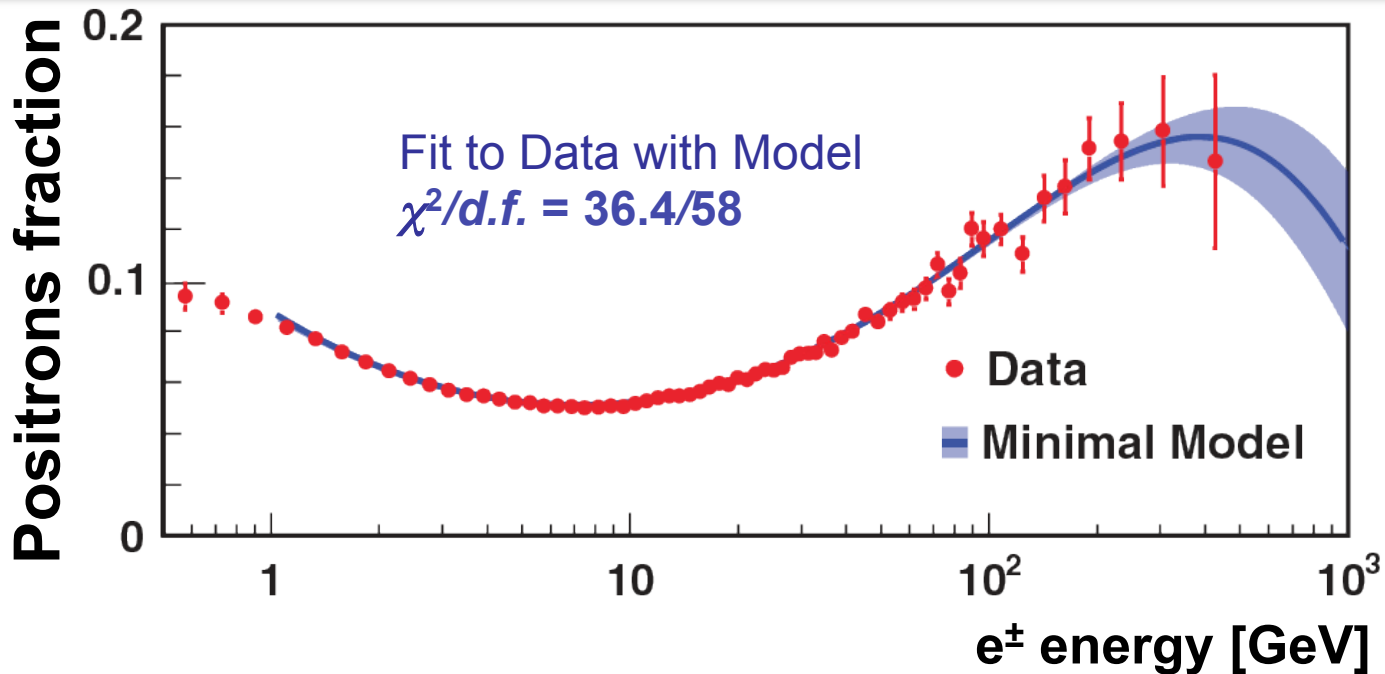
HIGH ENERGIES



- Precision measurement of the fraction minimum
- No sharp structures observed in the spectrum
- The slope decreases with increasing energy



Empirical “minimal” model



Describe electron and positron fluxes as a sum of a **“diffuse” component** and a **common source** with a cutoff energy:

$$\Phi_{e^+} = C_{e^+} E^{-\gamma_{e^+}} + C_s E^{-\gamma_s} e^{-E/E_s}$$

$$\Phi_{e^-} = C_{e^-} E^{-\gamma_{e^-}} + C_s E^{-\gamma_s} e^{-E/E_s}$$

$$\gamma_{e^-} - \gamma_{e^+} = -0.56 \pm 0.03$$

$$\gamma_{e^-} - \gamma_s = 0.72 \pm 0.04$$

$$C_{e^+}/C_{e^-} = 0.091 \pm 0.001$$

$$C_s/C_{e^-} = 0.0061 \pm 0.0009$$

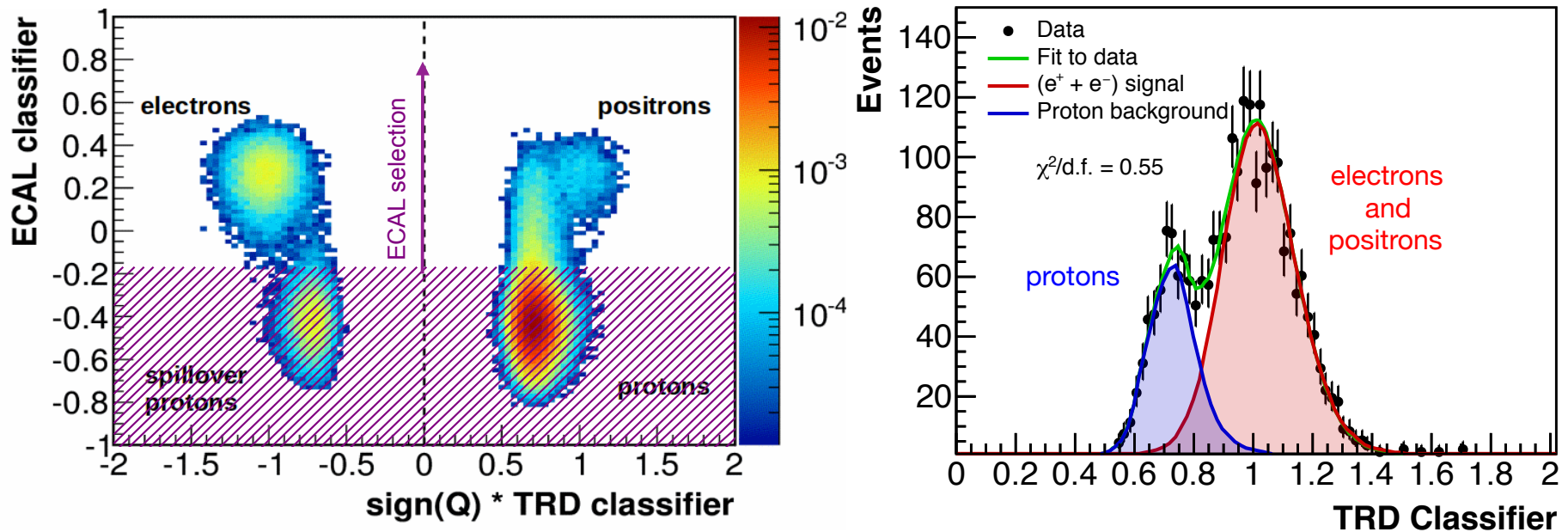
$$1/E_s = 1.84 \pm 0.58 \text{ TeV}^{-1}$$



Template fit to measure N_e and N_p

Data driven background subtraction

Reference spectra for the signal and the background are fitted to data as a function of the TRD classifier for different cuts on the ECAL BDT estimator

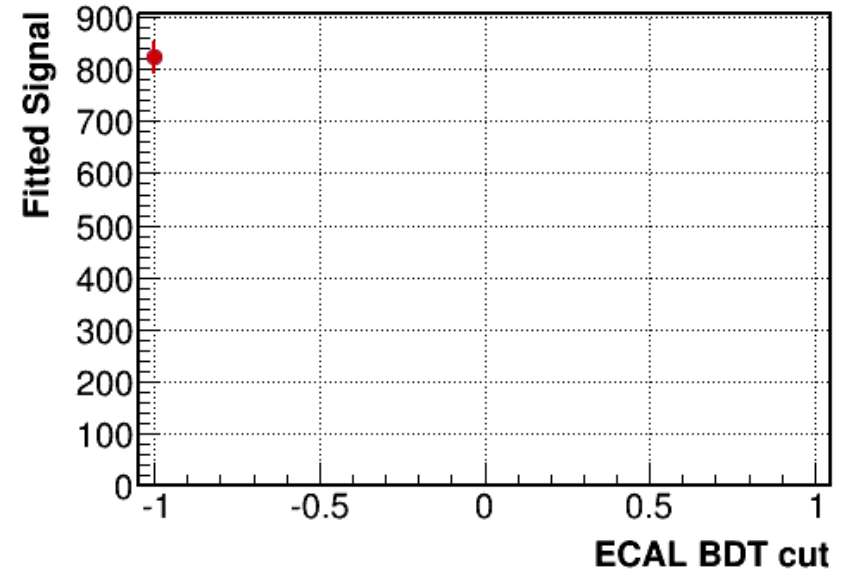
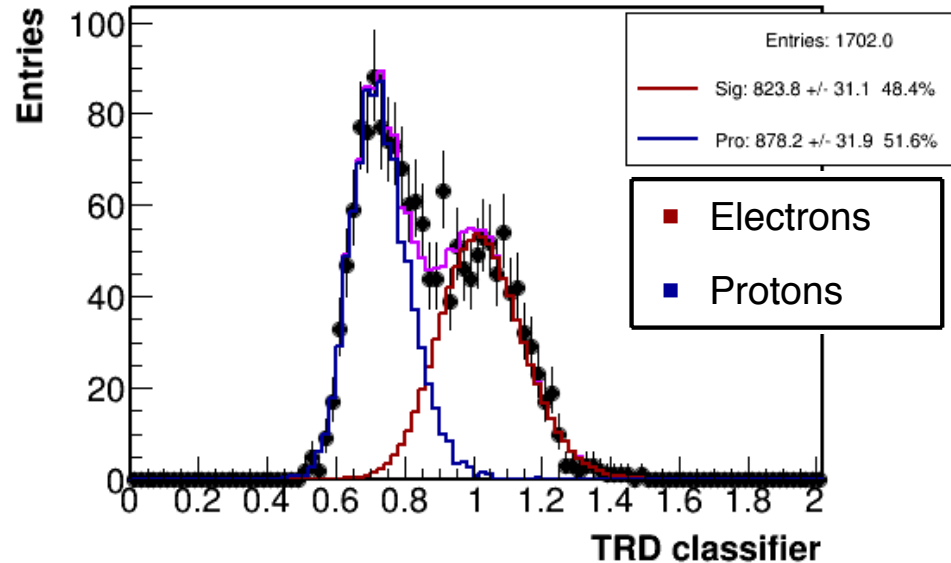


Measurement is performed for the cut on the ECAL classifier that minimizes the overall statistical + systematic uncertainty



BDT efficiency evaluation

[141.3 - 150.5] GeV - AllSpans Rig<0 BDT>-1.000 - 0



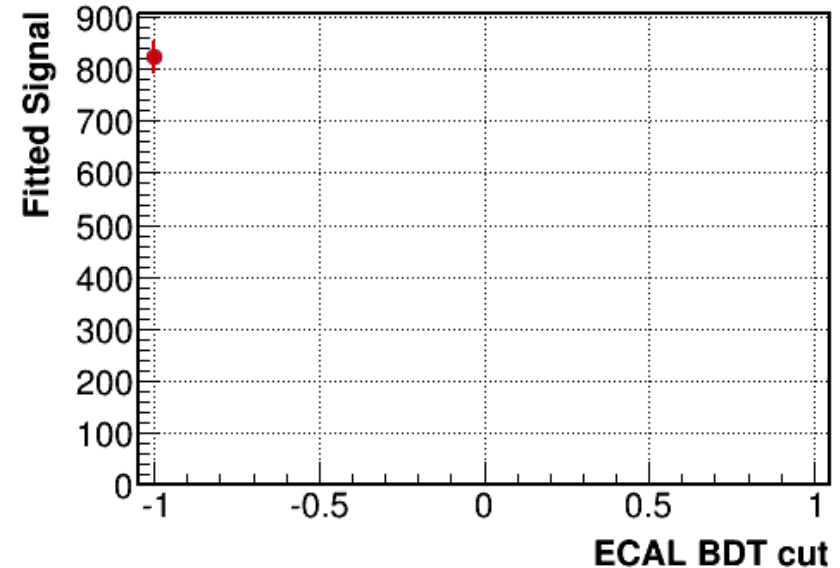
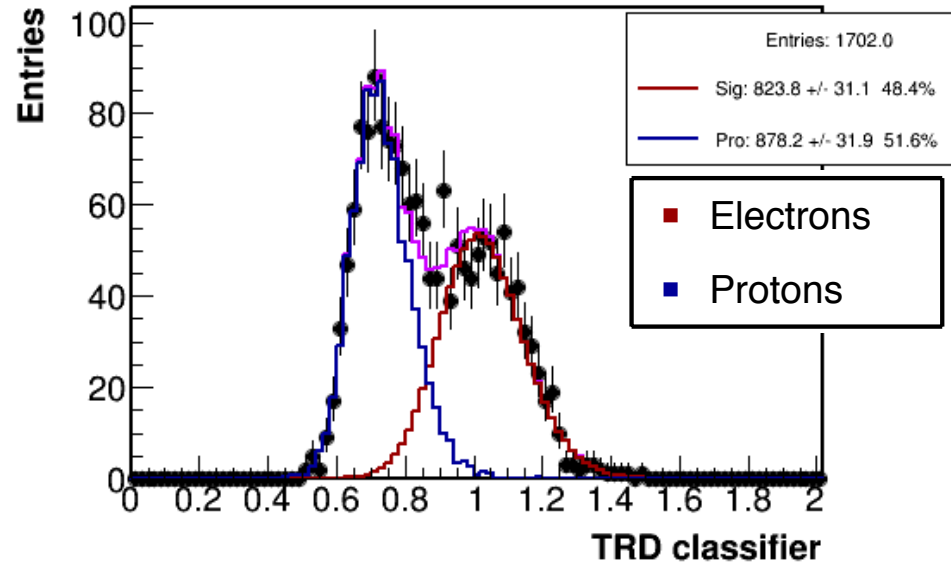
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→ the S/N in the sample is naturally enhanced and the evaluation is possible up to highest energies



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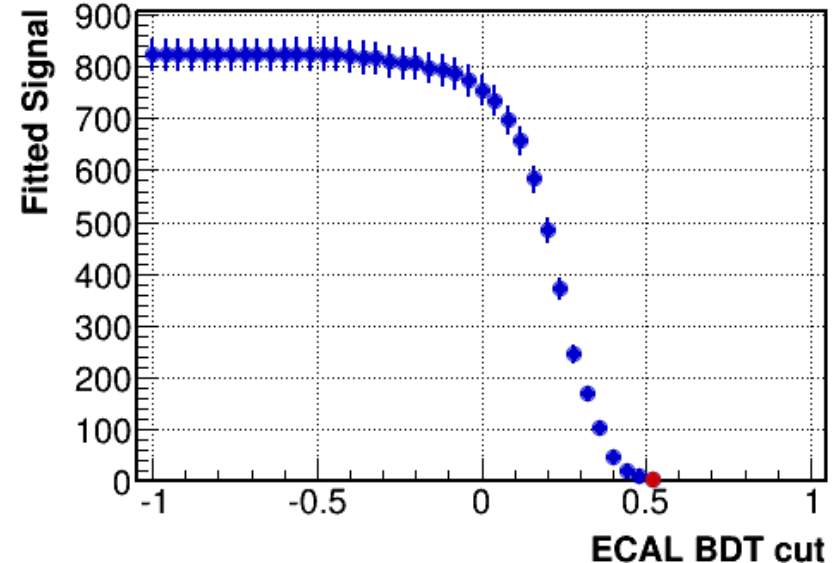
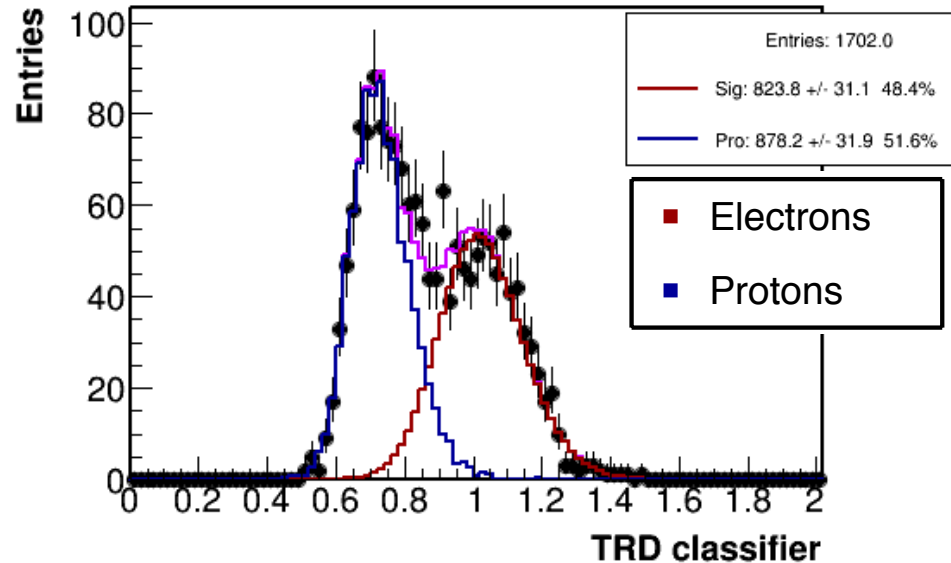
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The (e^+e^-) flux measurement

$$\Phi(E, E + \Delta E) = \frac{N_{obs}(E, E + \Delta E)}{\Delta E \Delta T_{exp} A_{eff} \epsilon_{trig}}$$

- Φ = Absolute differential flux ($m^{-2} sr^{-1} GeV^{-1}$)
 N_{obs} = Number of observed events
 ΔT_{exp} = Exposure time (s)
 A_{eff} = Effective acceptance ($m^2 sr$)
 ϵ_{trig} = Trigger efficiency



Detector Acceptance

- Calculated with MC (Geant 4)

$$A_{geom}(E) = A_{gen} \times \frac{N_{sel}(E)}{N_{gen}(E)}$$

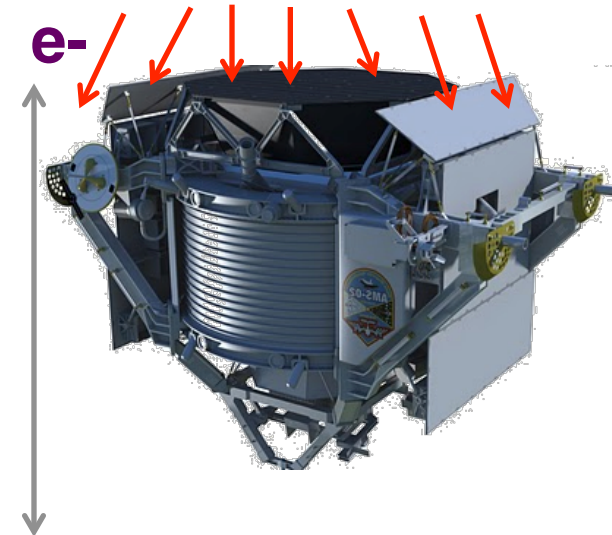
A_{gen} = acceptance of the generation surface

N_{sel} = events passing through TRD, TOF, TRK, ECAL

$$A_{eff}(E) = A_{geom} \times \epsilon_{sel} \times (1 + \delta)$$

ϵ_{sel} = selection efficiency

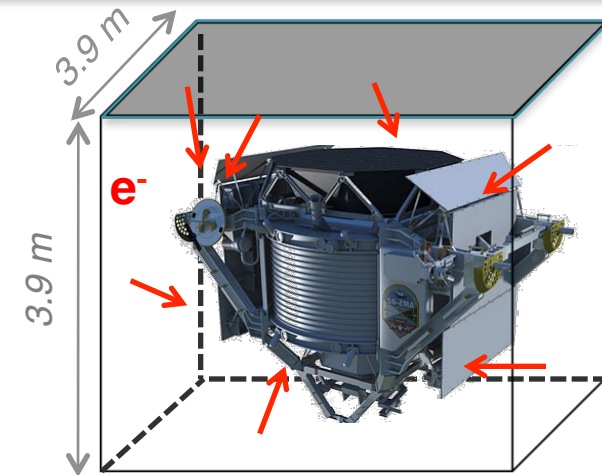
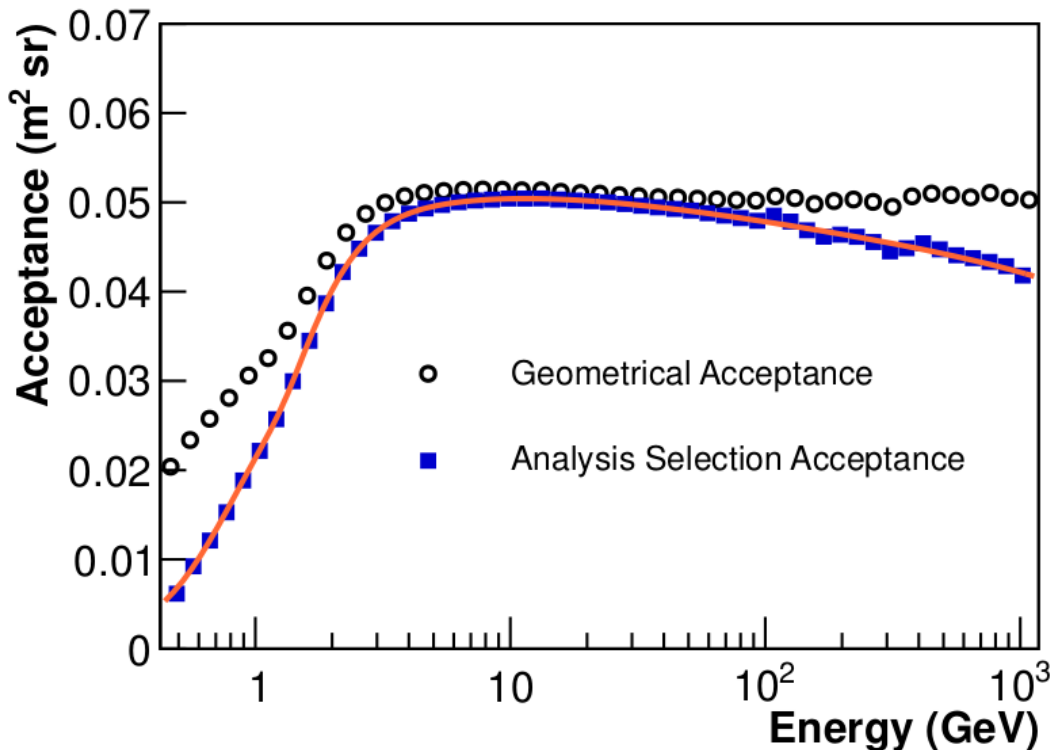
δ = data driven correction





Acceptance

The final acceptance (i.e. after the selection cuts) is evaluated using MC (but the BDT cut)



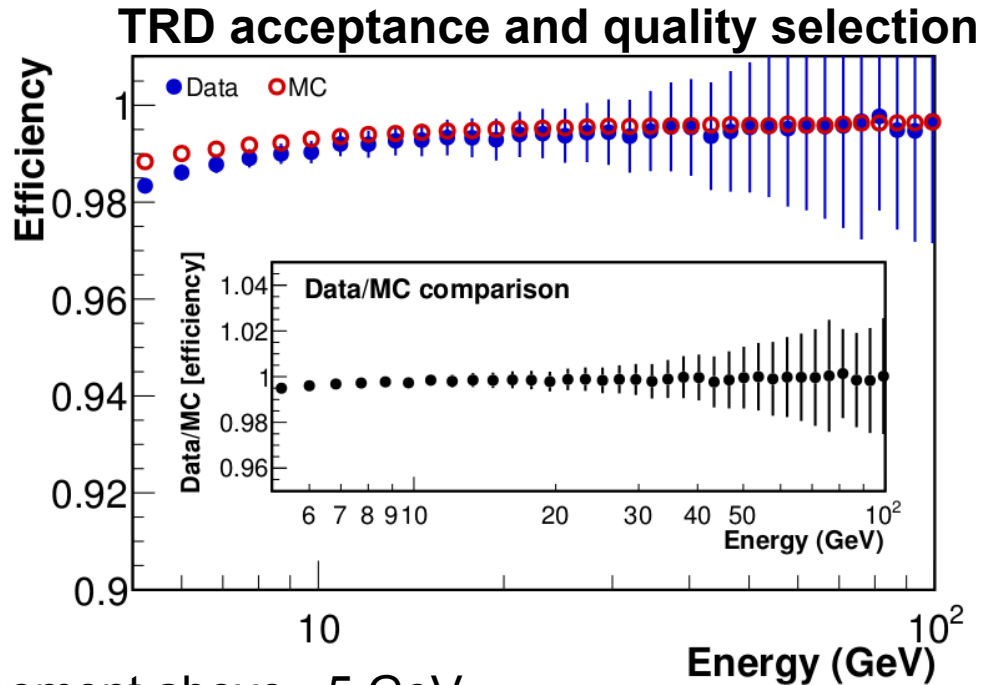
The effect of each cut has been checked on ISS data and, if needed, the value of acceptance “corrected” (O(%))

- Geometrical acceptance plateau at 500 cm²sr defined by calorimeter volume
- **Very efficient particle selection** does not suppress the acceptance, even at high energies



Acceptance systematics

For **every selection cut** and for **trigger**, acceptance systematics is assessed by comparing the effect of selection on data and MC



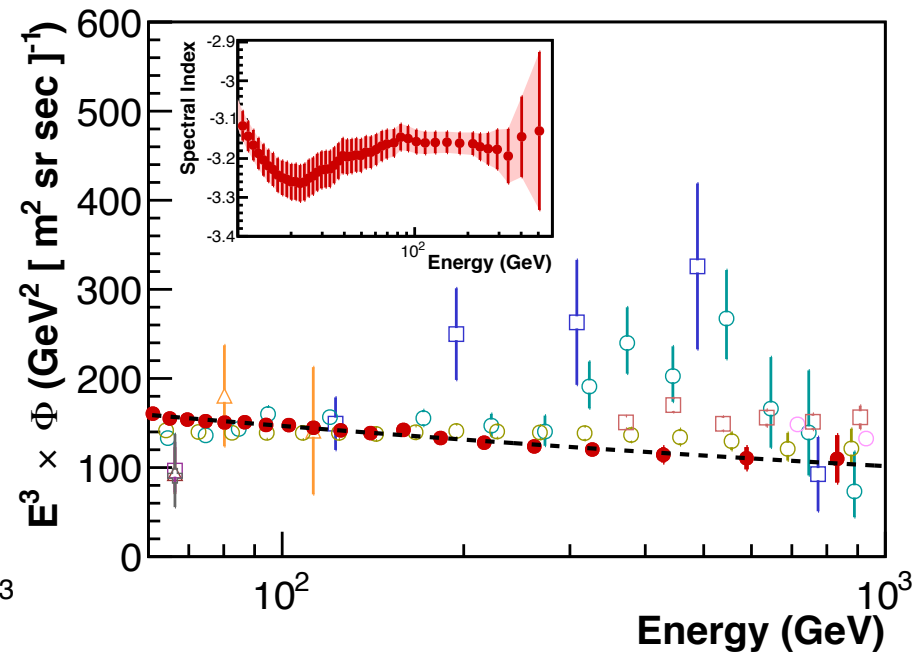
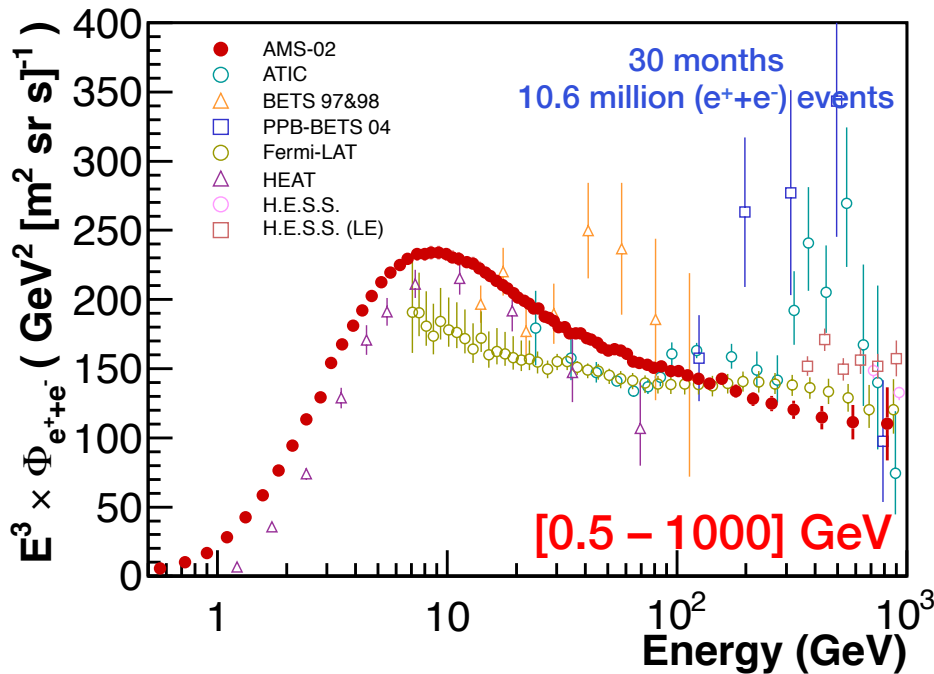
- Very good agreement above ~ 5 GeV
- Any deviation contributes to the final systematic

A global systematic from acceptance evaluation of few % from all the analysis cuts contributes to the measurement uncertainty



“All electrons” flux (PRL 113, 221102 - 2014)

Independent measure of the total e^+e^- without identification of the charge sign.
Less systematic uncertainties, higher energy reach, directly comparable with purely calorimetric measurements.



The (e^+e^-) flux can be described by a single power-law, starting from ~ 30 GeV, and up to 1 TeV.

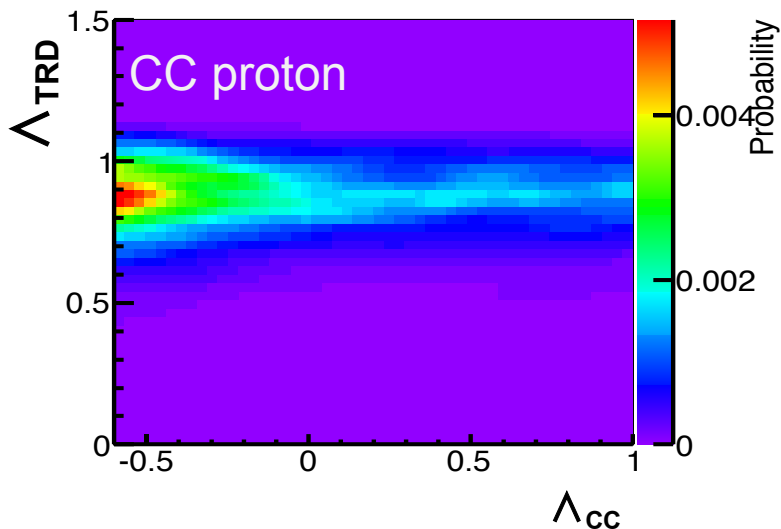
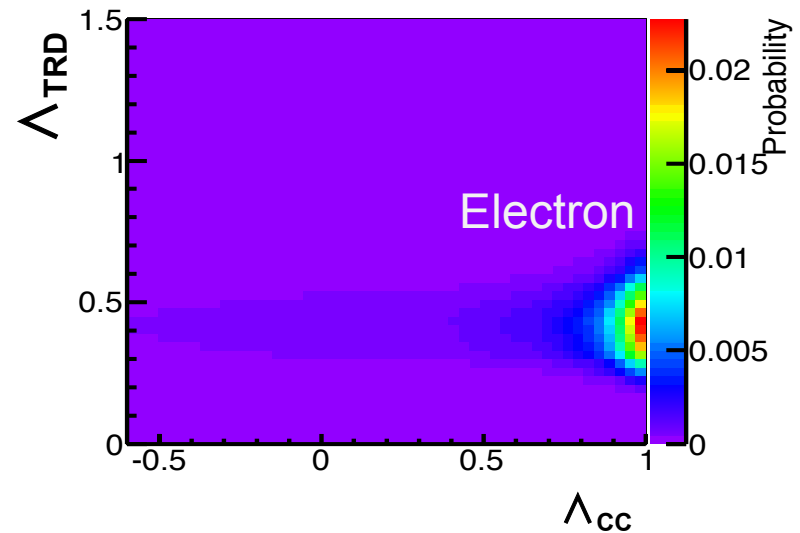
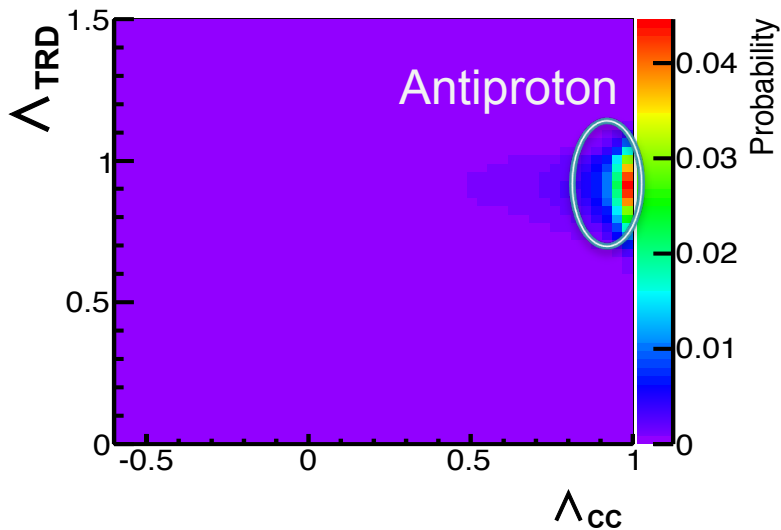
No evidence of fine structures



Antiprotons



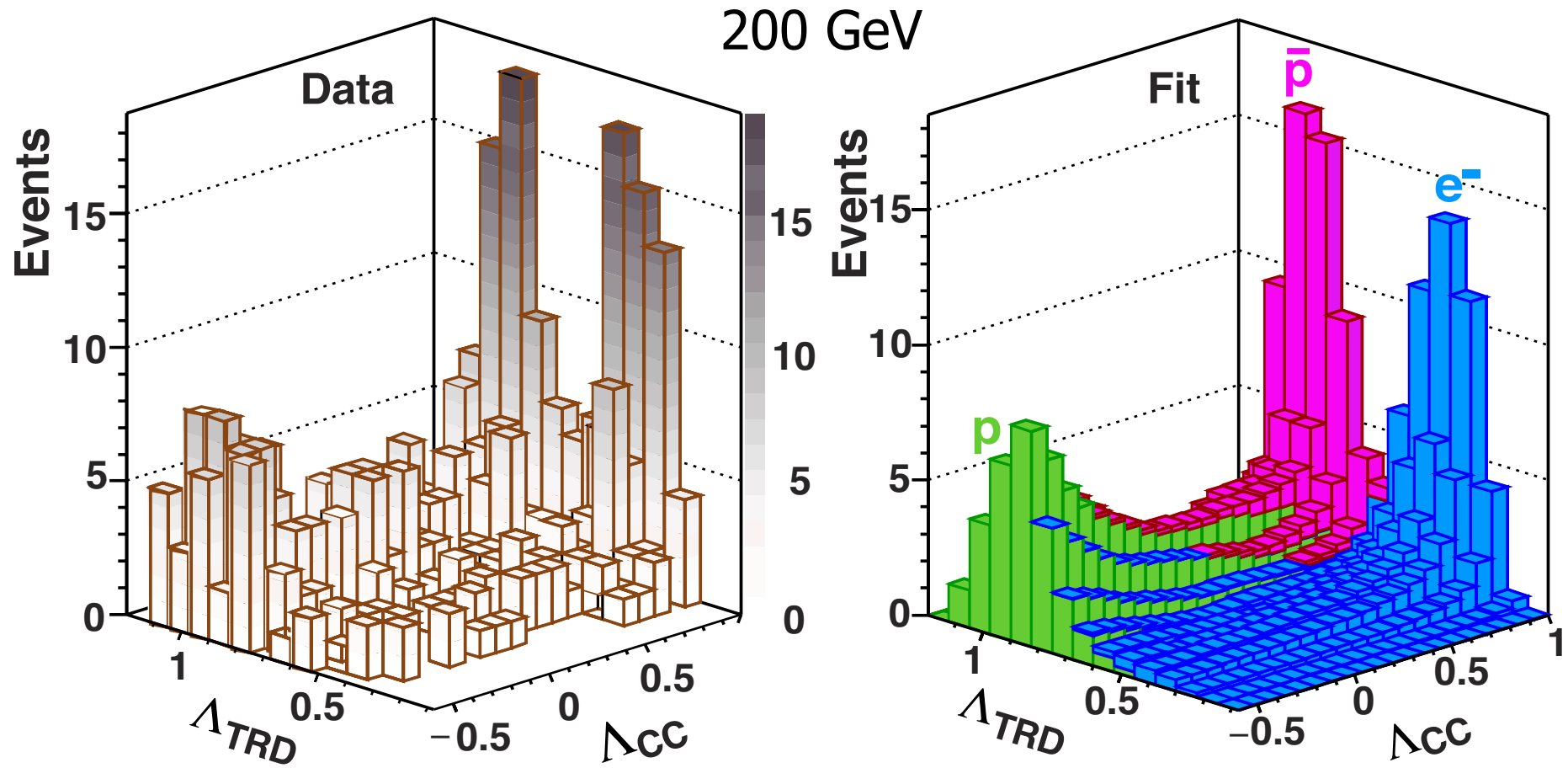
Antiproton identification at high rigidity



- 2D template in $(\Lambda_{\text{TRD}} - \Lambda_{\text{CC}})$ plane
- Antiproton template built from proton data
- Electron template from electron MC
- Charge confusion proton from proton MC
- Using Kernel Estimation to construct smooth template



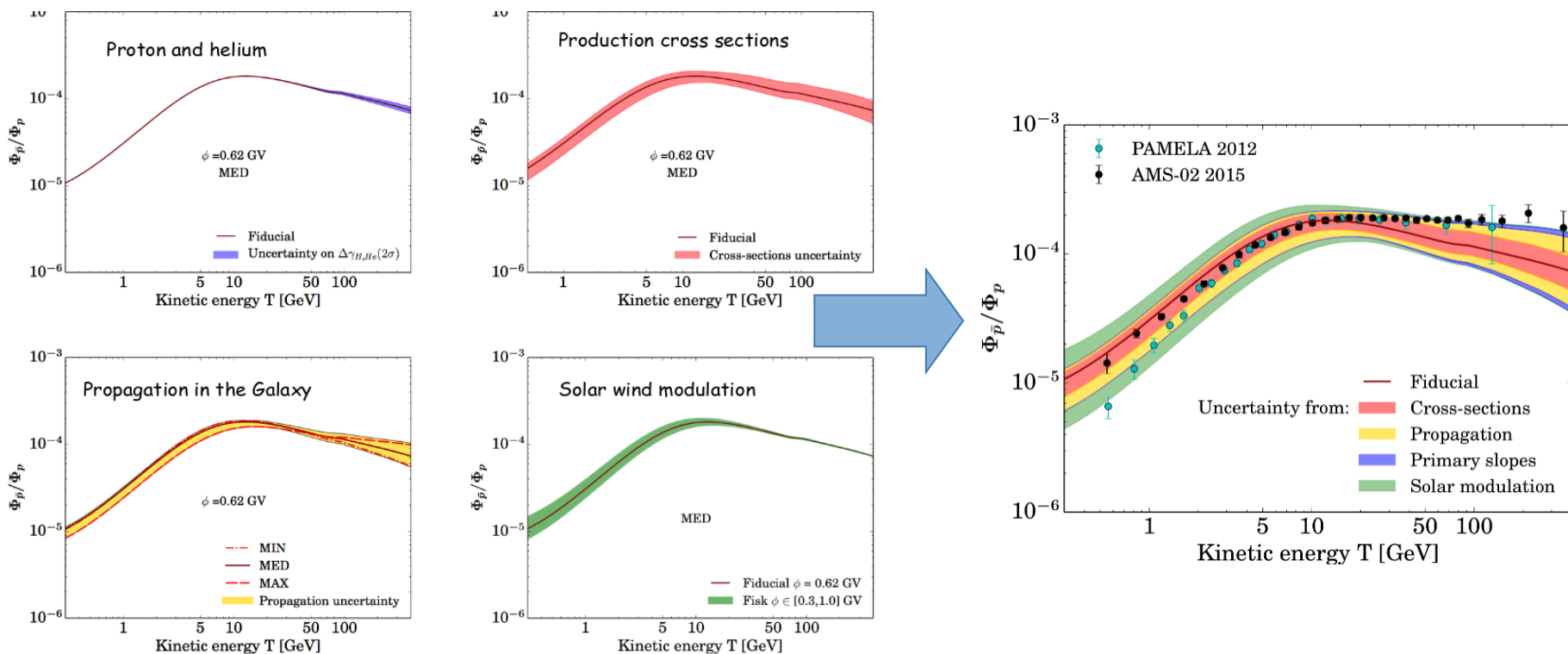
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Example of model uncertainties

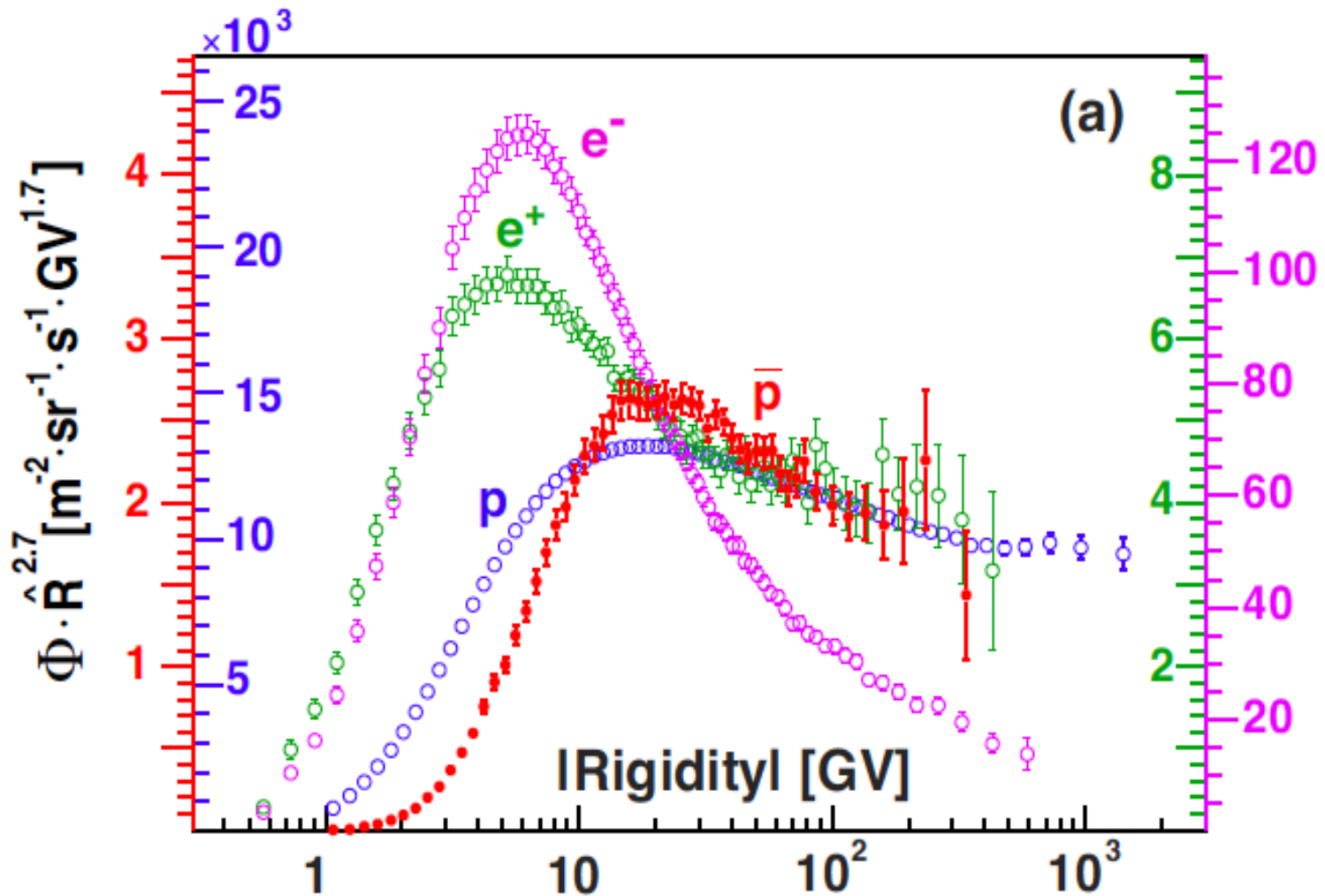
Example: Giesen et al. arXiv:1504.04276 tuning only AMS02-P and preliminary AMS02-He (no tuning on other preliminary AMS02 nuclei data)



uncertainties from secondary anti-p production cross sections and propagation models are much larger than AMS02 errors in the anti-p ratio measurement

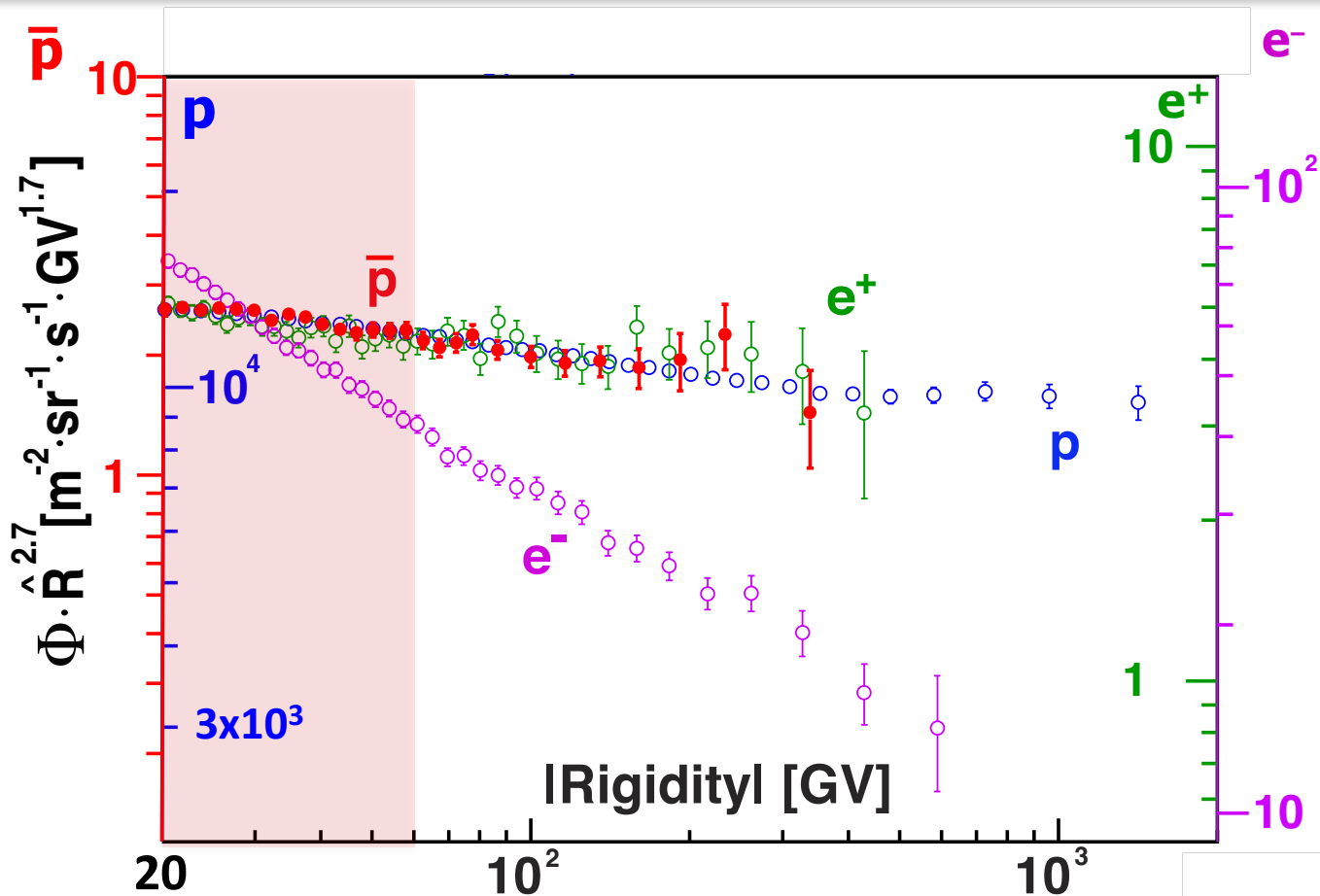


Elementary particle fluxes measured by AMS





Anti-proton/proton ratio (PRL 117, 091103 - 2016)



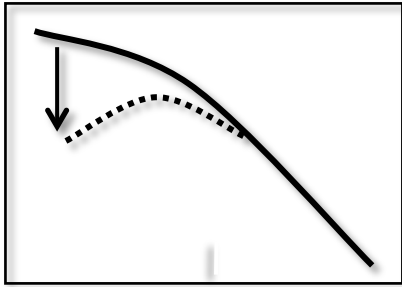
The study of the flux variation with energy seems to indicate that protons, antiprotons and positrons, but not electrons, have the same spectral index.
By chance or something more profound?



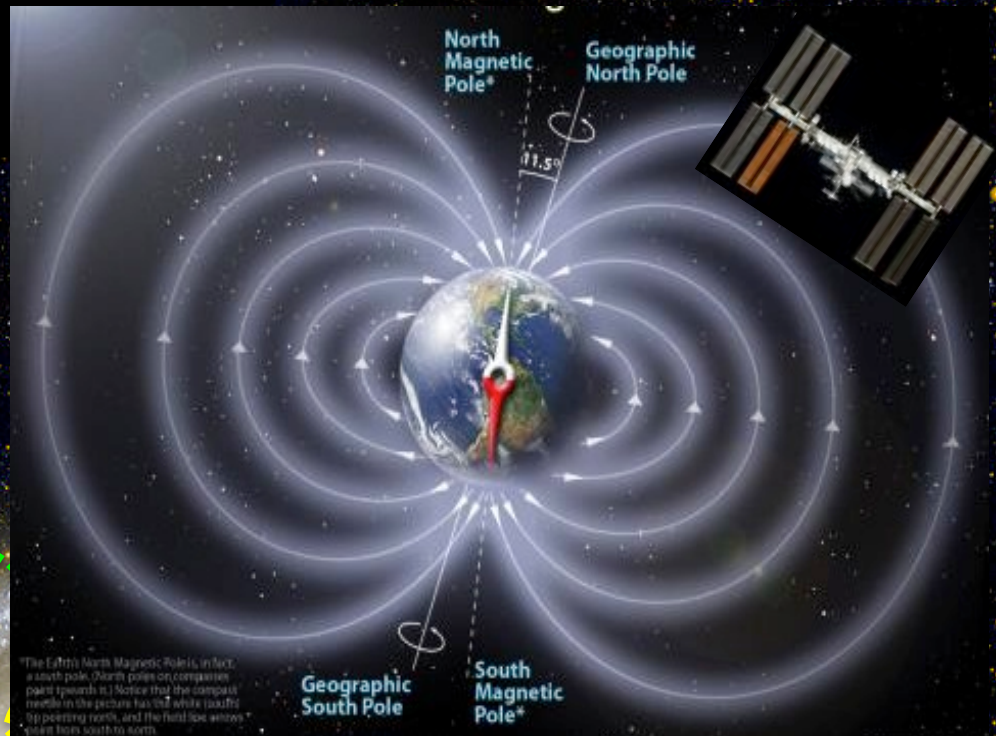
Time variabilities

Solar modulation

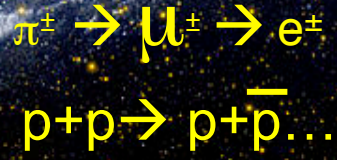
Flux



$< 20 \text{ GeV/n}$



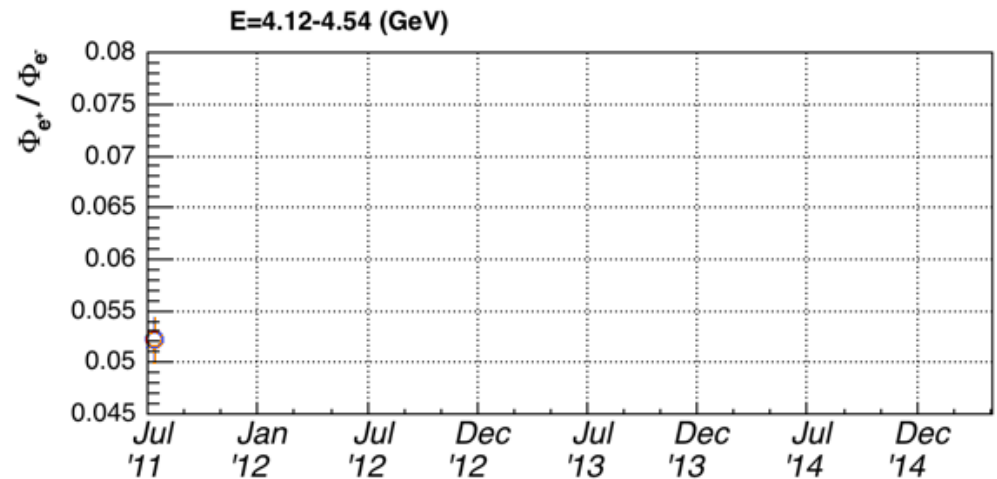
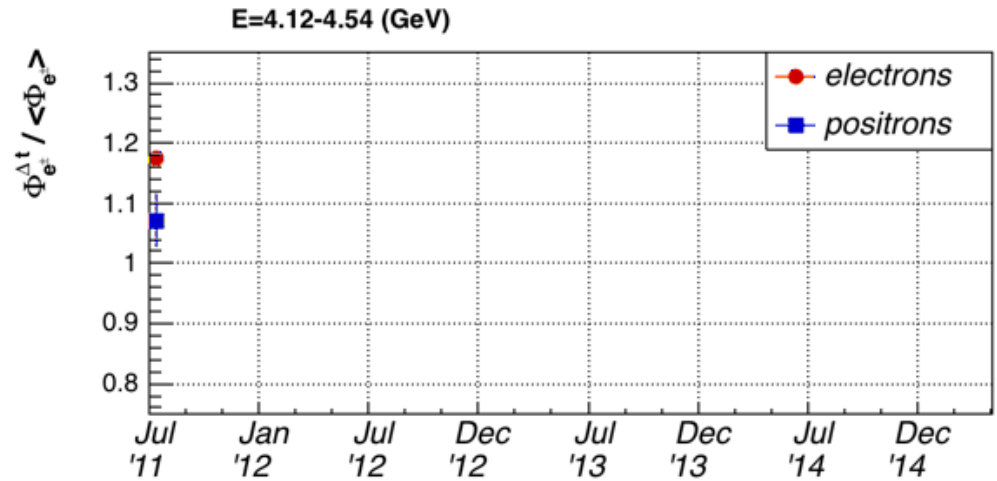
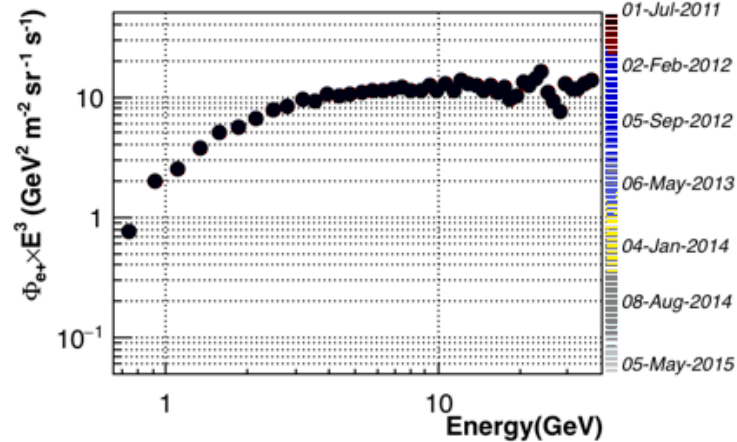
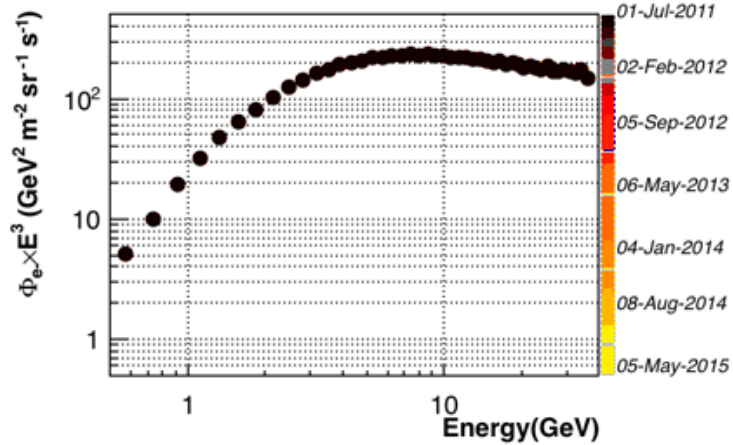
$p, \text{He}, C, \dots, e^-$



e^+, p, γ
 e^-, p, γ
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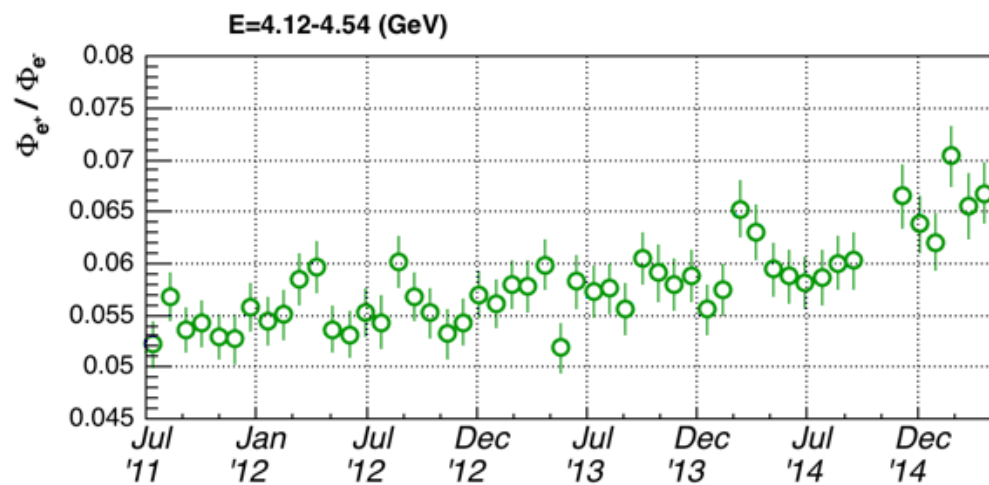
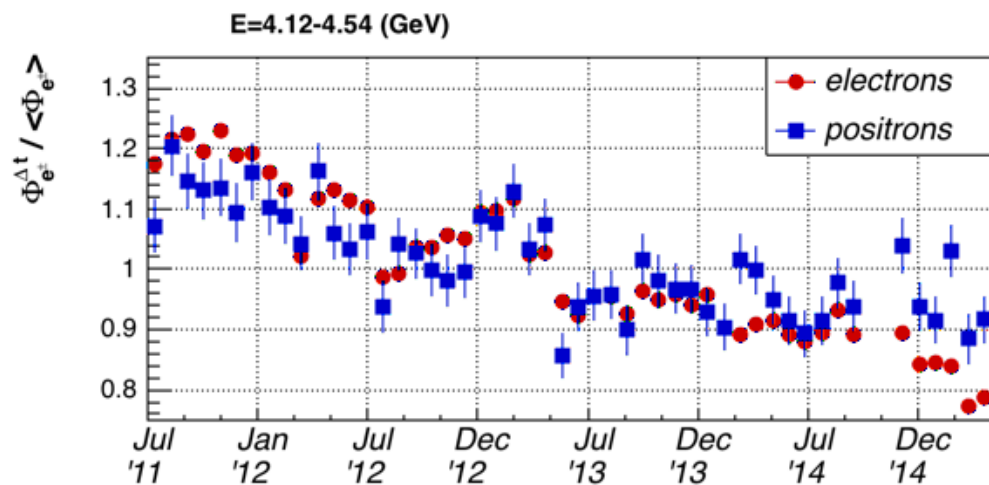
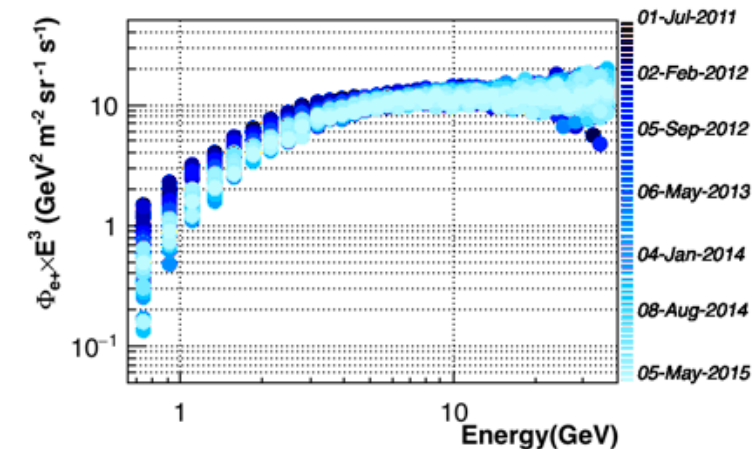
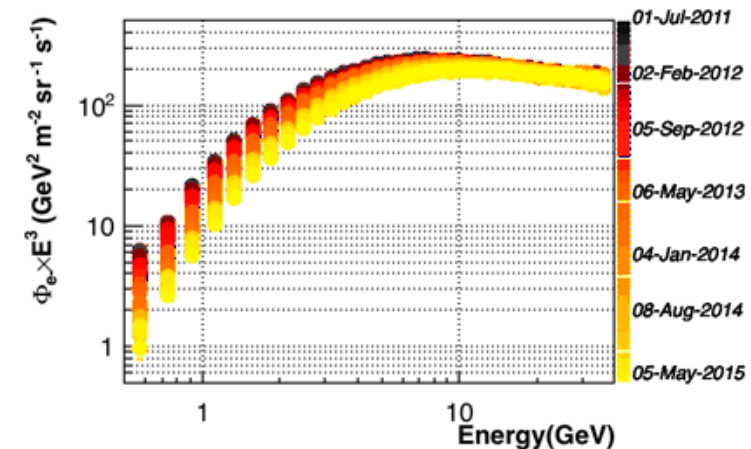


Fluxes as function of time, e^+/e^-





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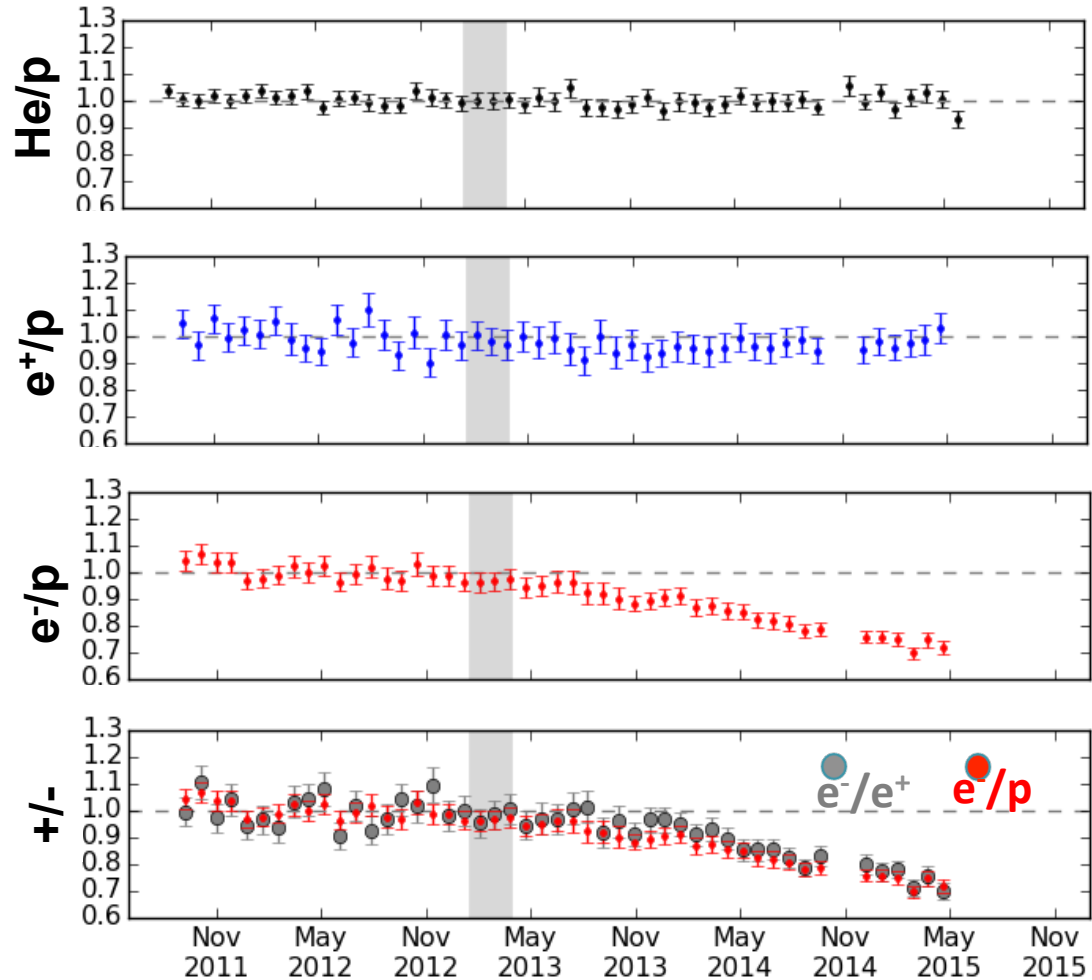


Fluxes as function of time, charge sign effects

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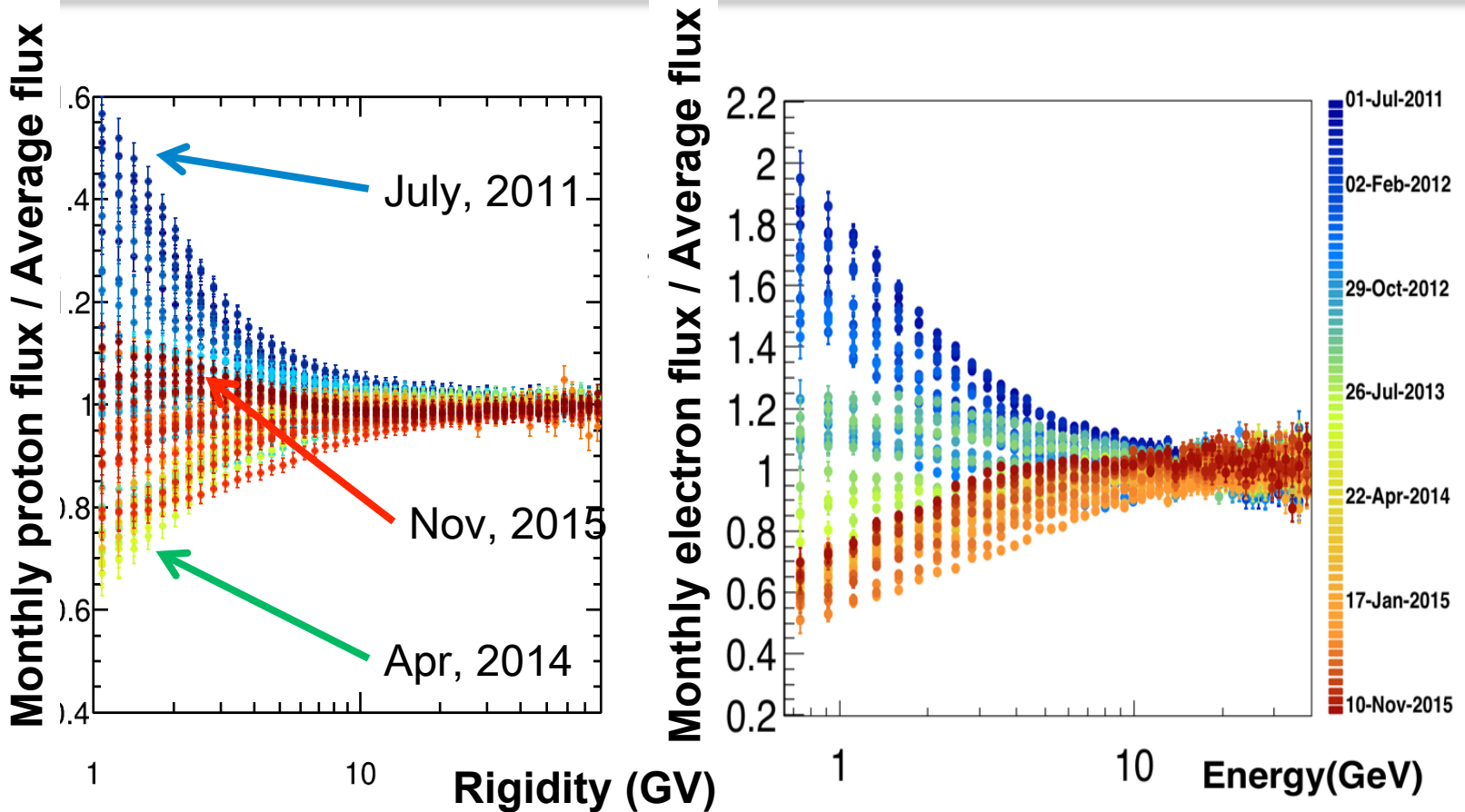
Different species,
same sign of
charge

Different species,
different sign of
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Solar effects & flux time dependence



Time variation of proton and electron fluxes from mid-2011 to end 2015. Reported is the monthly flux with respect to average flux over ≈ 4 years.

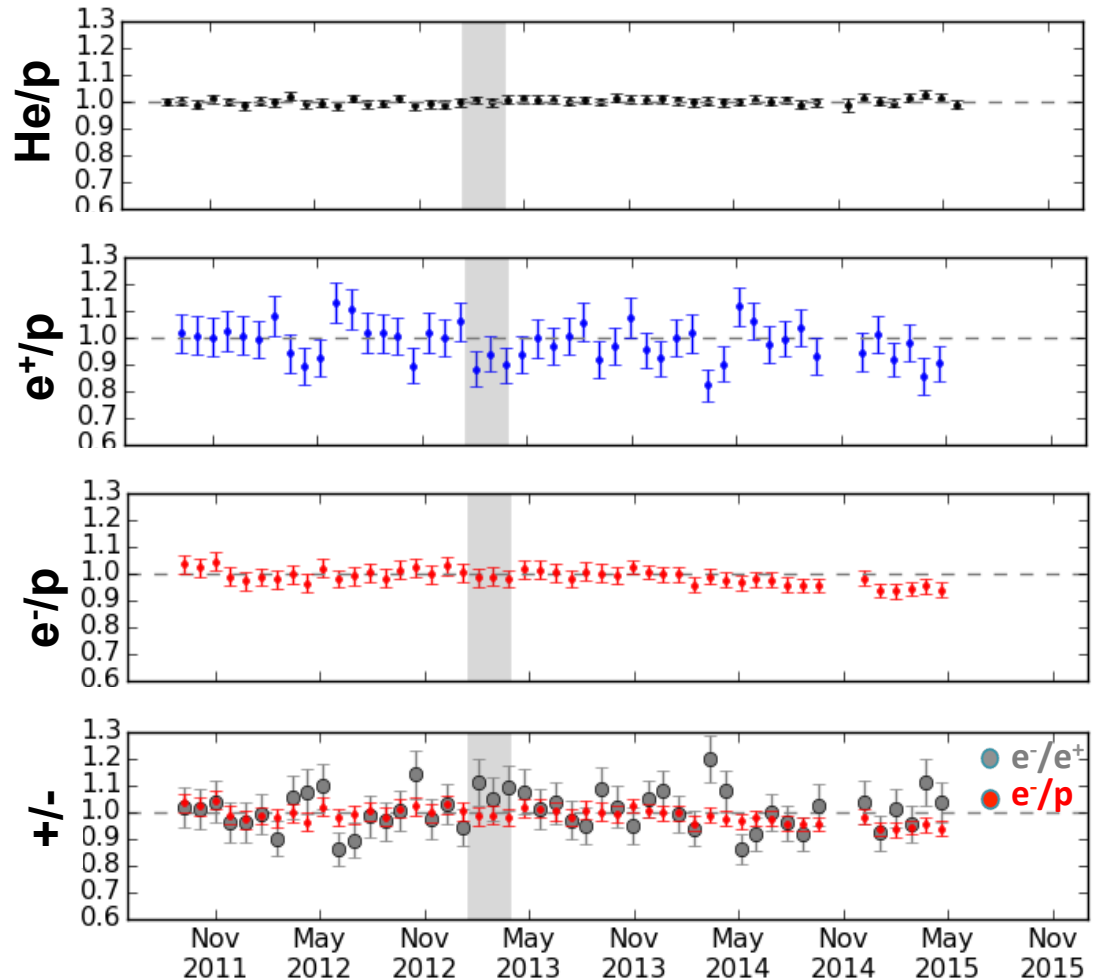


Solar effects & flux time dependence

10 GeV

Different species
Same charge sign

Different species
opposite charge sign



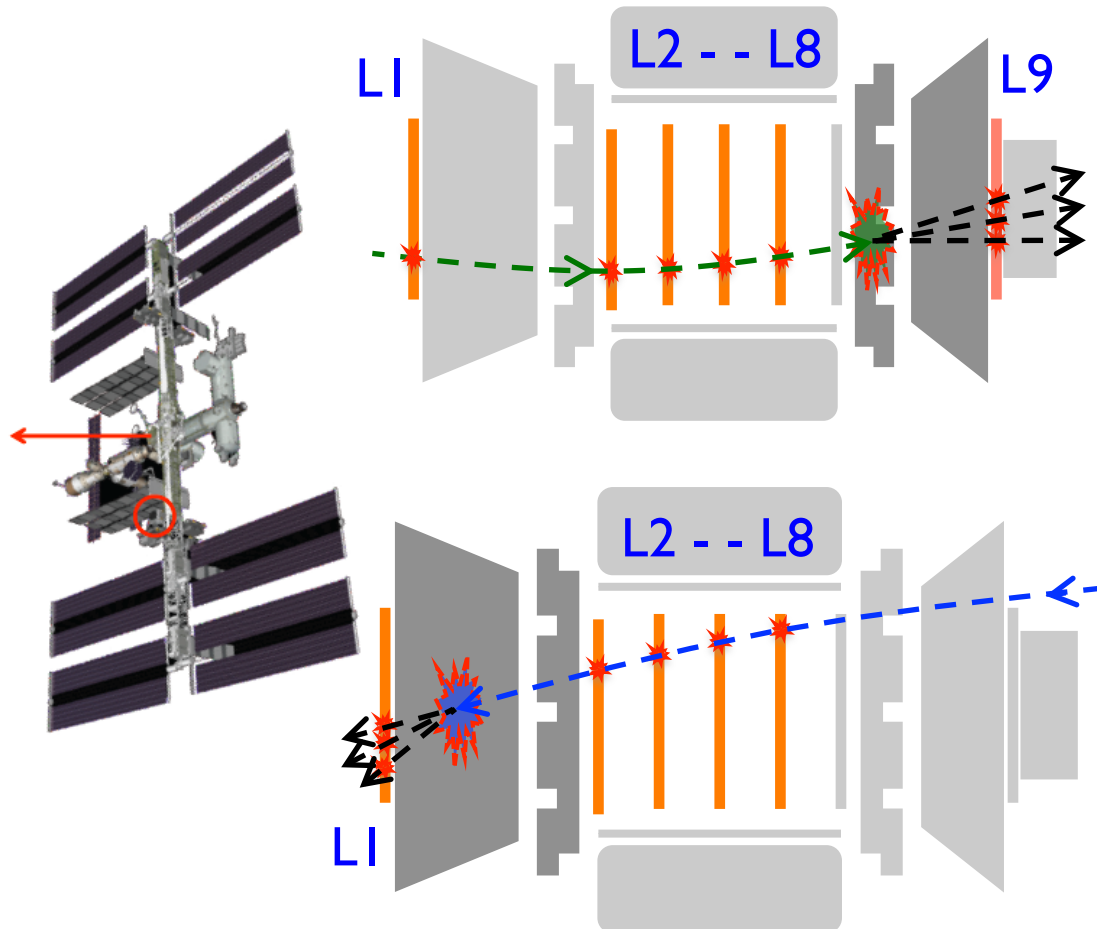


Protons, helium and nuclei



Full control of the effects from detector material

Measurement of nuclear cross sections / accurate check of the materials when AMS is flying in horizontal attitude



First, we use the seven inner tracker layers, L2-L8, to define beams of nuclei: He, Li, Be, B, ...

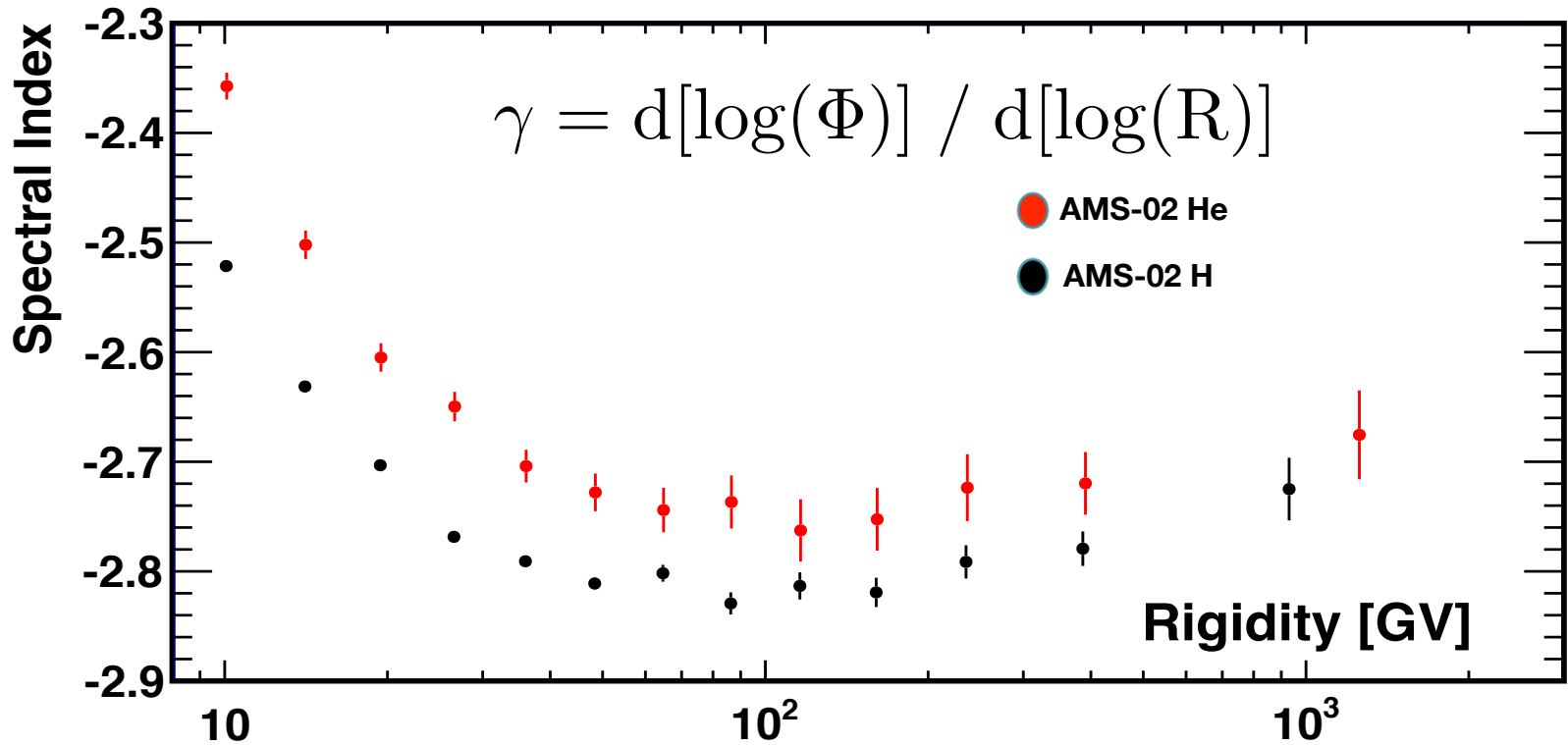
Second, we use left-to-right particles to measure the nuclear interactions in the lower part of the detector.

Third, we use right-to-left particles to measure the nuclear interactions in the upper part of detector.



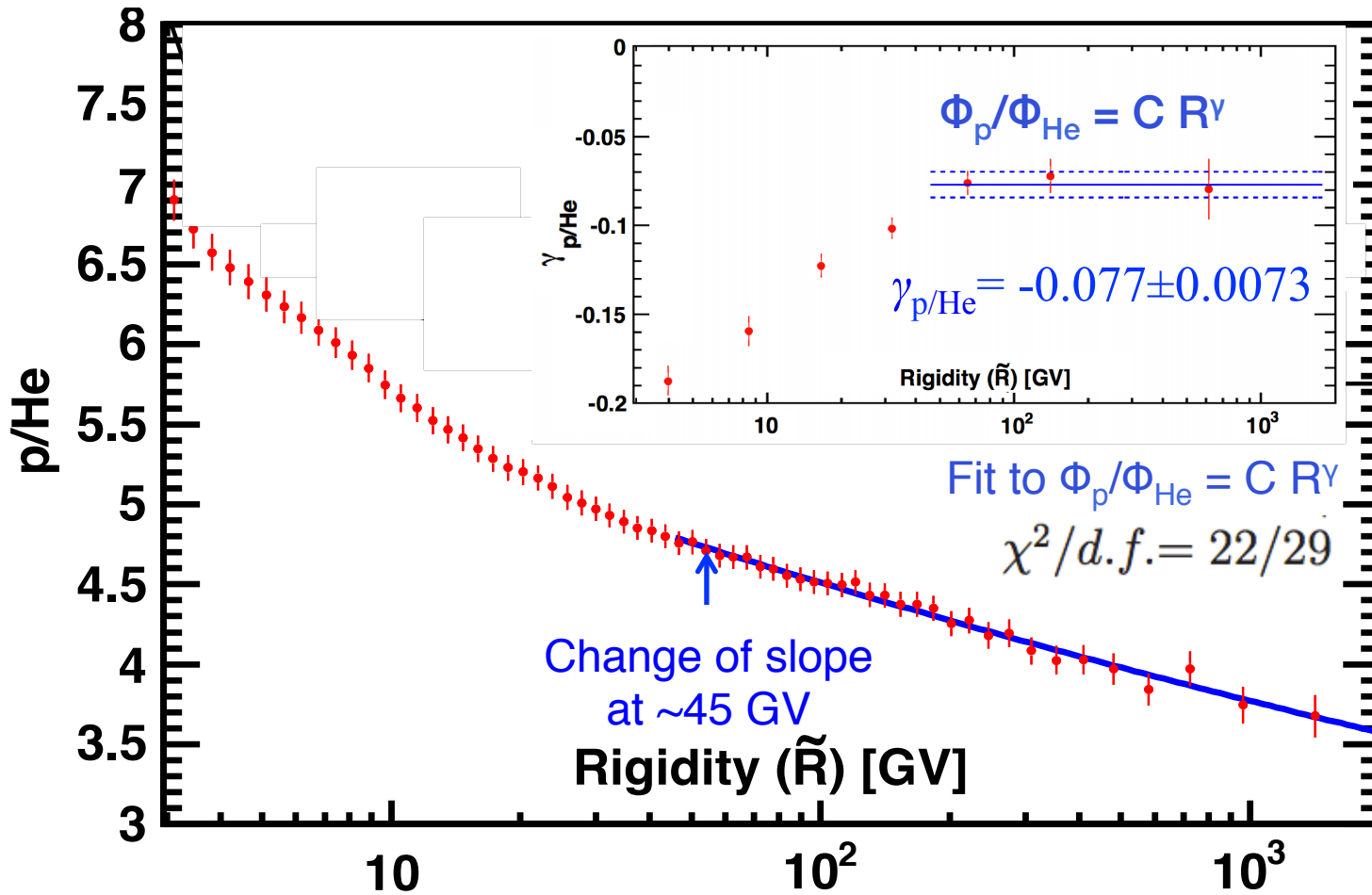
Proton and Helium Fluxes

Model independent spectral index analysis



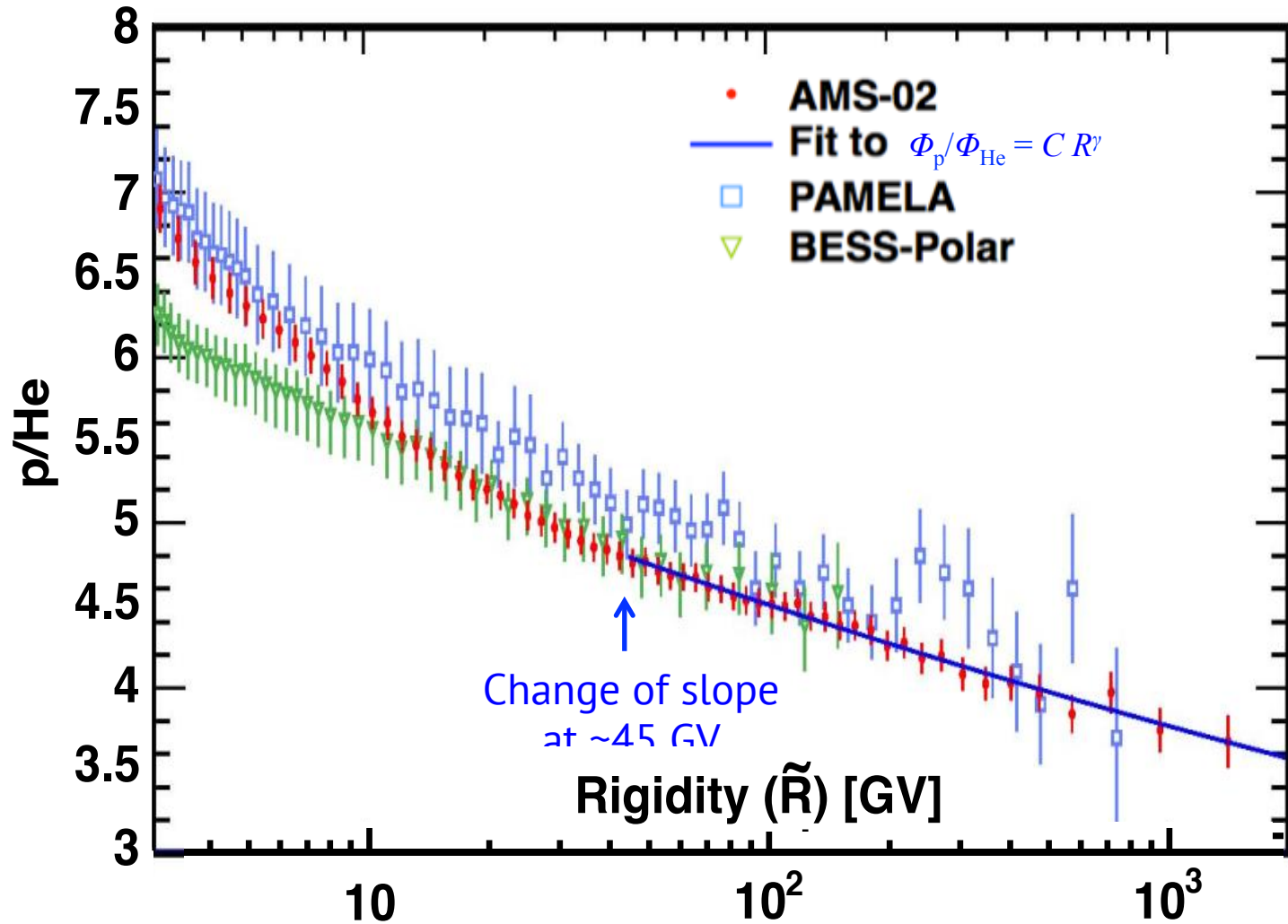


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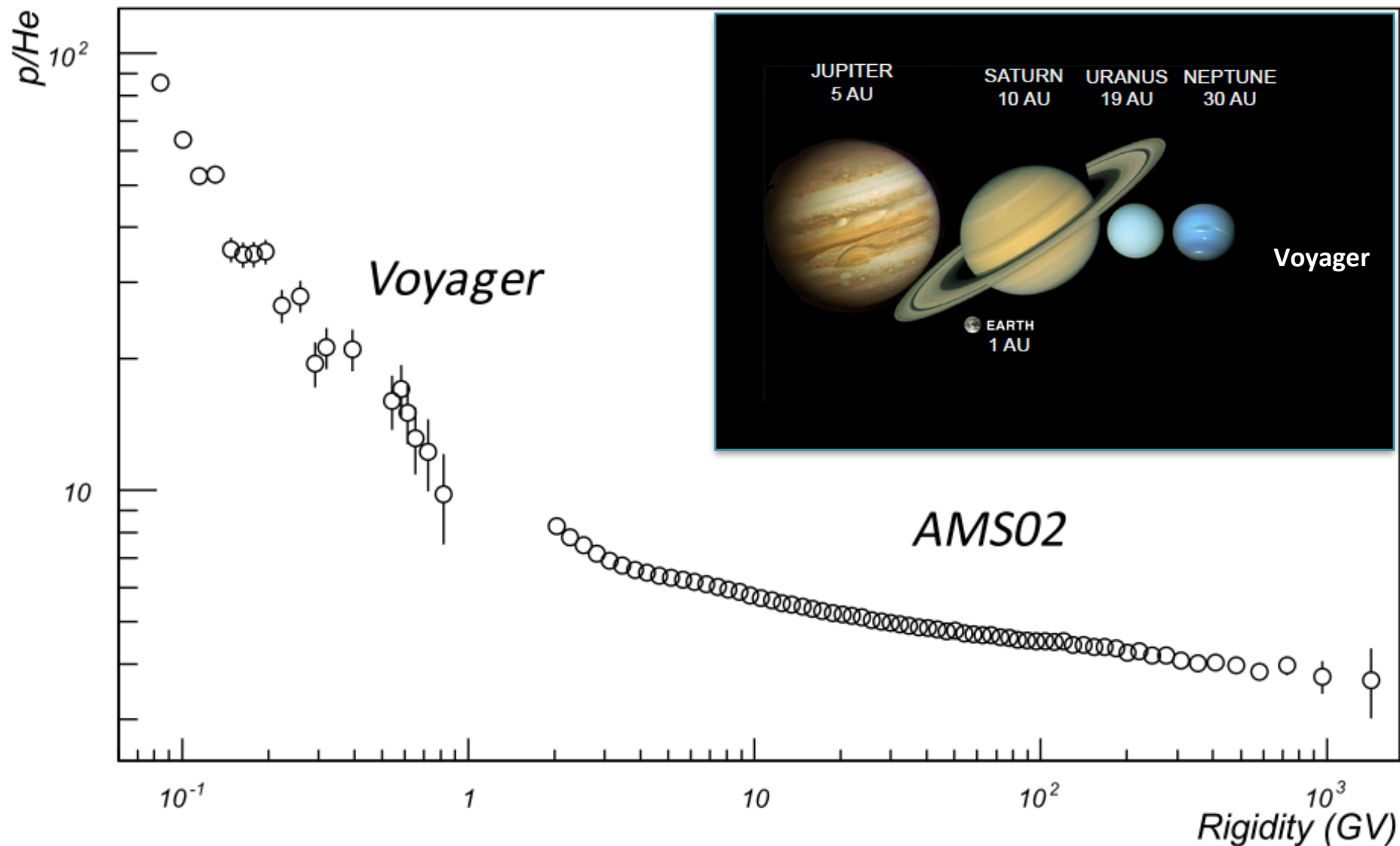




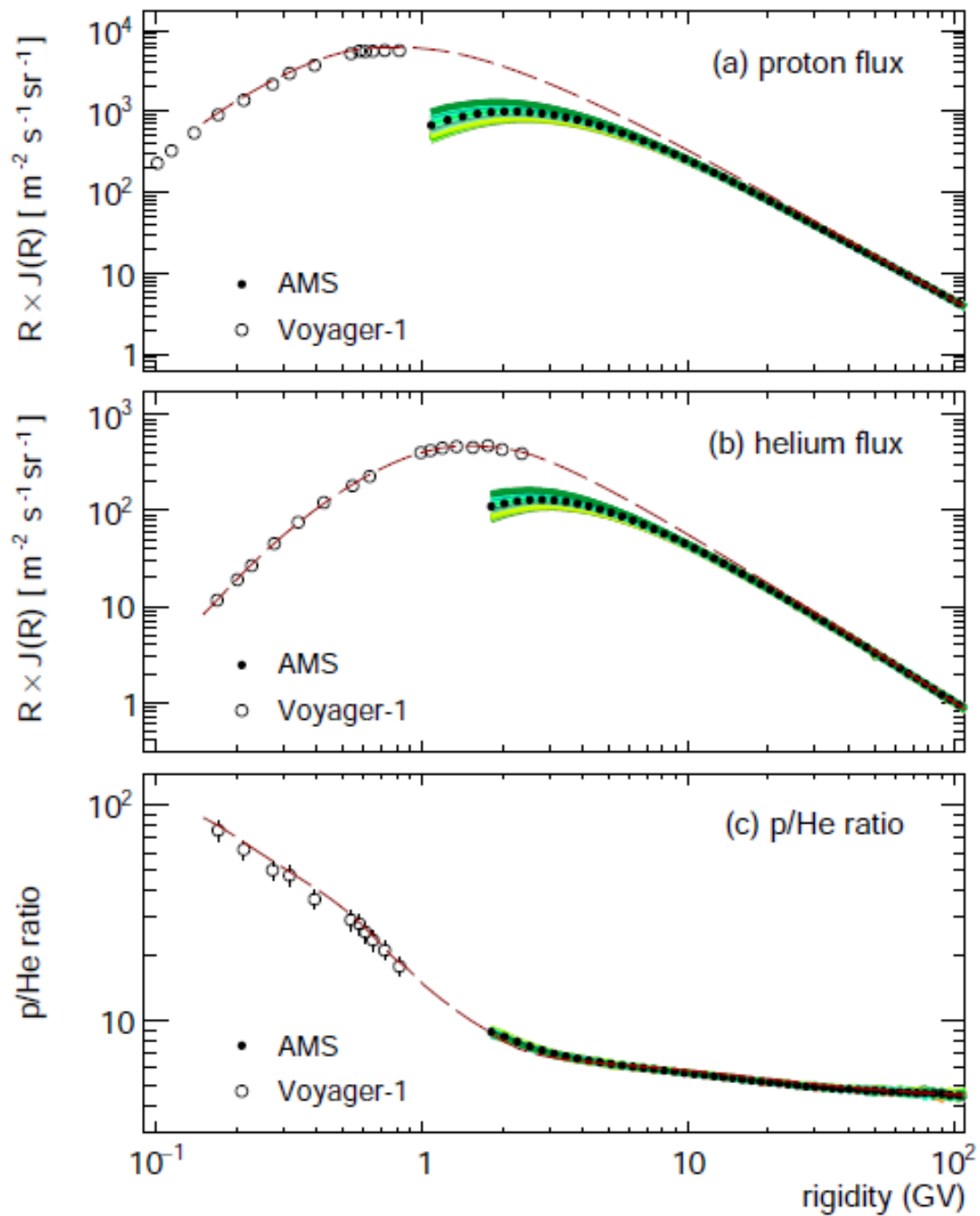
AMS p/He flux ratio



AMS p/He flux ratio vs time

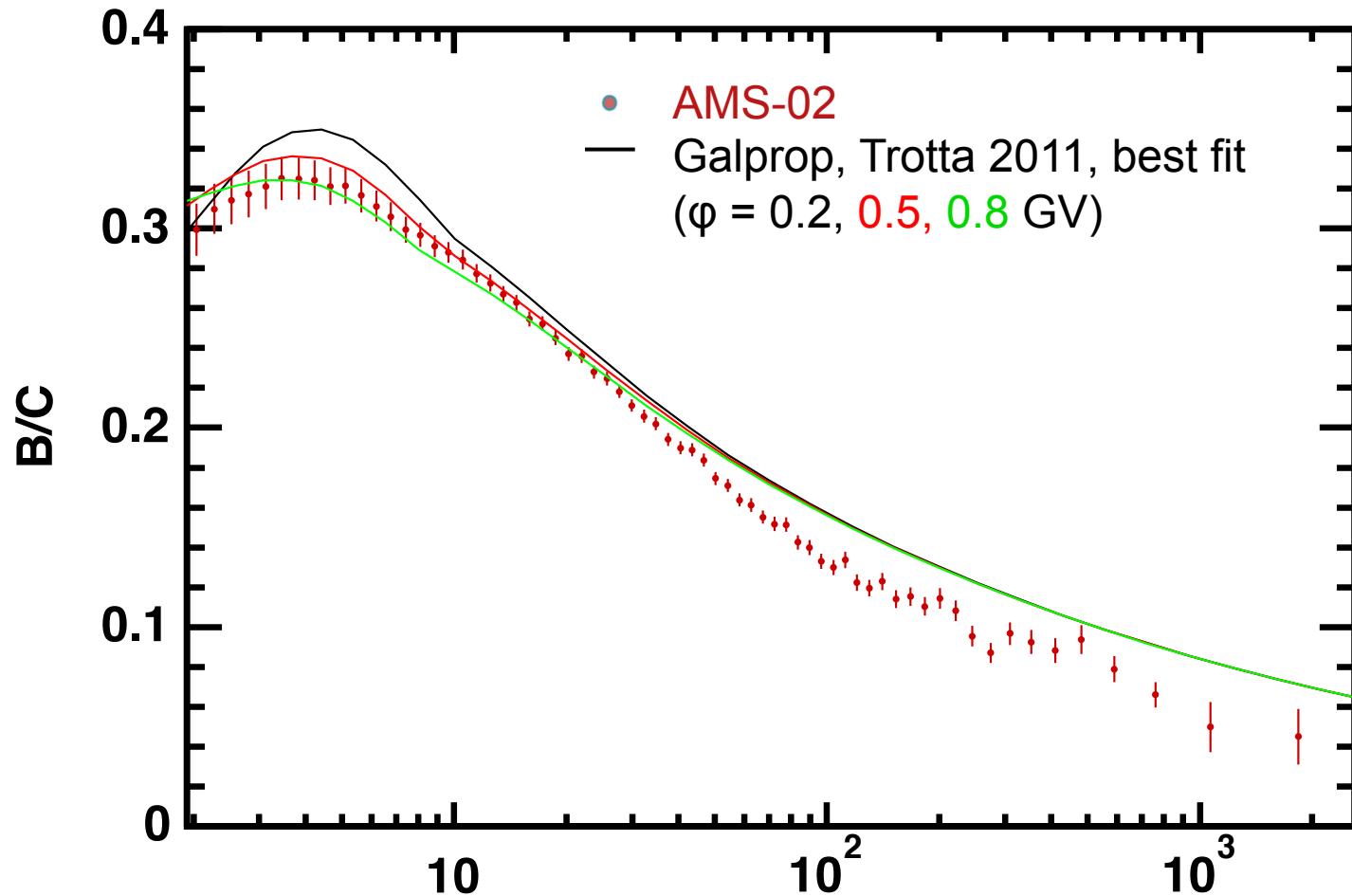


The p/He ratio is independent of solar activity



Secondary CRs: Boron to Carbon flux ratio

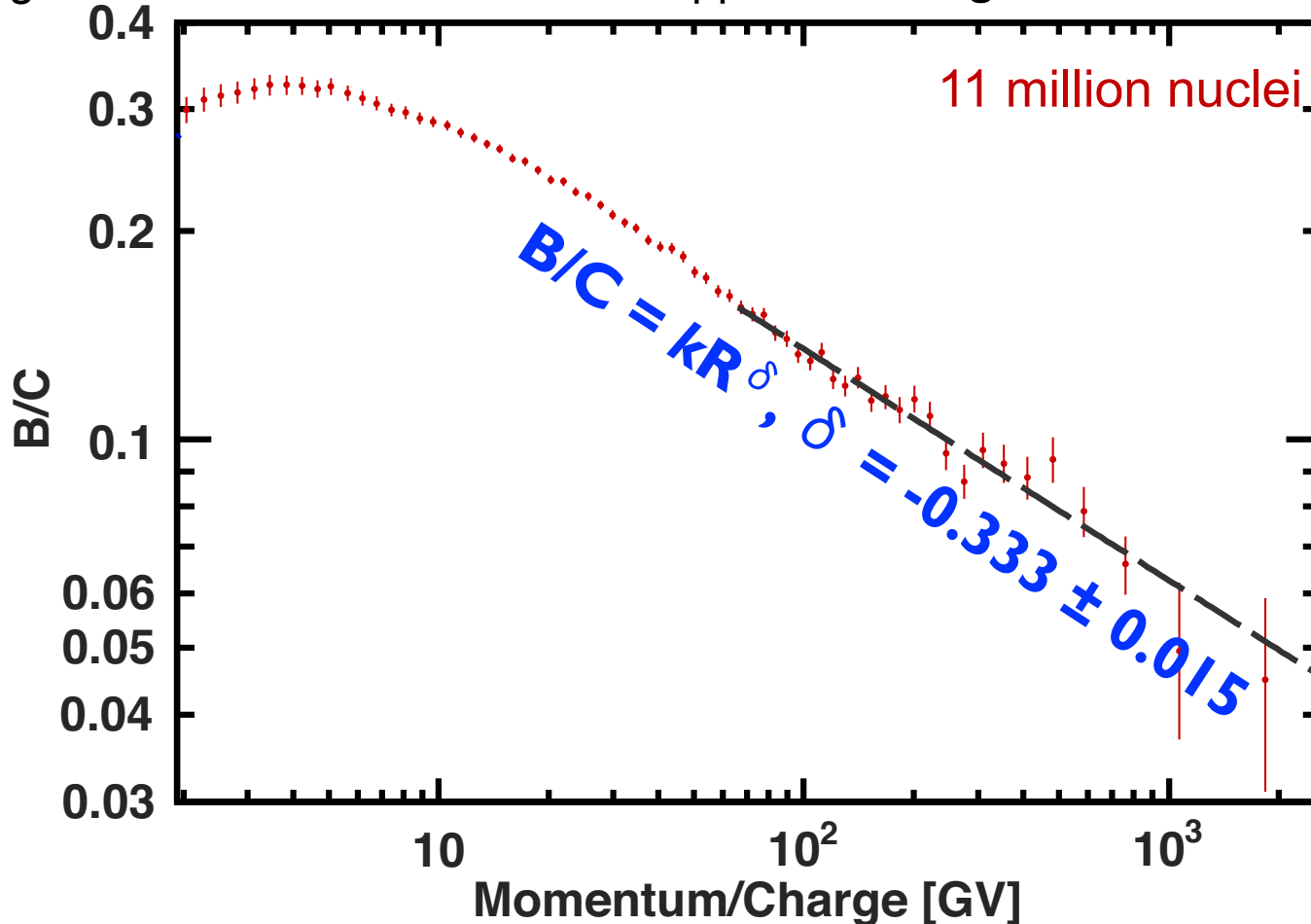
AMS-02 precision challenges current theoretical models





Secondary CRs: Boron to Carbon flux ratio (PRL 117, 231101 – 2016)

The flux ratio between primaries (C) and secondaries (B) provides information on propagation and the ISM: AMS data supports Kolmogorov turbulence model



AMS B/C results

The B/C ratio does not show any significant structures in contrast to many cosmic ray models that require such structures at high rigidities.

Remarkably, above 65 GV, the B/C ratio is well described by a single power law

$$B/C = k R^{\delta} \text{ with } \delta = -0.333 \pm 0.015.$$

This is in agreement with the Kolmogorov turbulence model of magnetized plasma of $\delta = -1/3$ asymptotically.

(Kraichnan: $\delta = -1/2$)

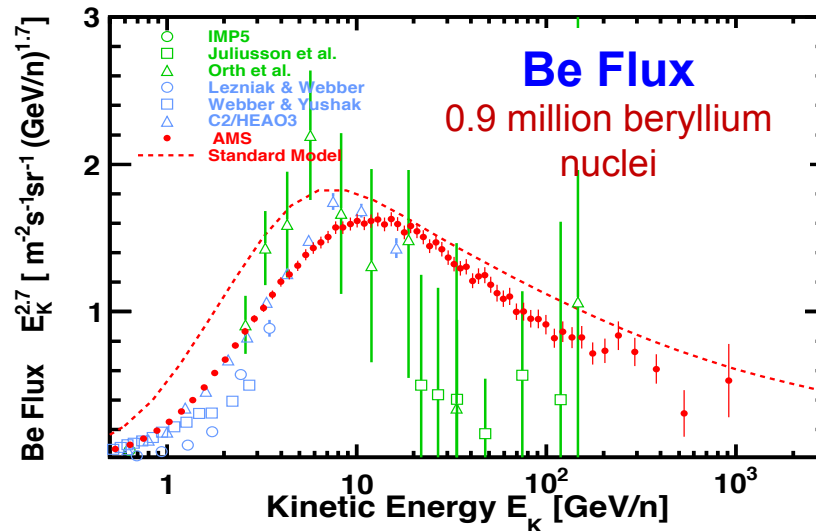
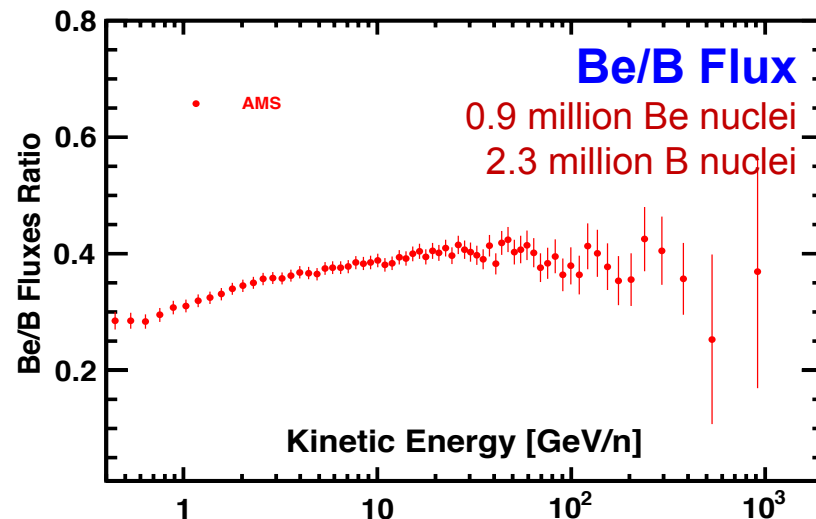
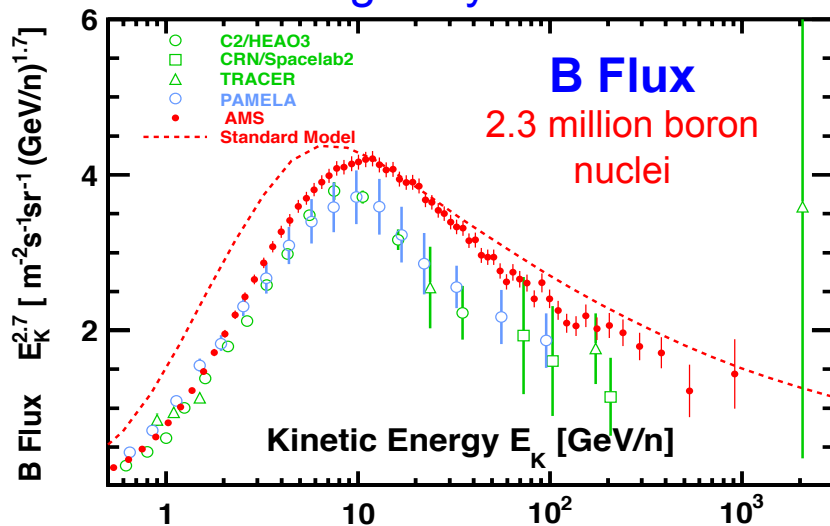


Still on secondaries...

^{10}Be is a natural *clock* to measure the residence time of CR in the galaxy: $^{10}\text{Be} \rightarrow ^{10}\text{B} + e^- + \nu_e$ with half-life of 1.5×10^6 years

Relativistic time dilation at high energies delays the ^{10}Be decay and makes the the Be/B ratio to increase.

A fit to the Be/B ratio can be used to extract residence time in the galaxy





Primaries with higher charge...

AMS-02 measures Carbon, Nitrogen, Oxygen fluxes in an extended energy range and unprecedented precision.

Ongoing analyses based on ~ 6 years data (2011-2017):

- Standard model: GALPROP with best fit parameters *Trotta et al, 2011*

