

The PAMELA space Mission for Antimatter and dark Matter Searches in Space

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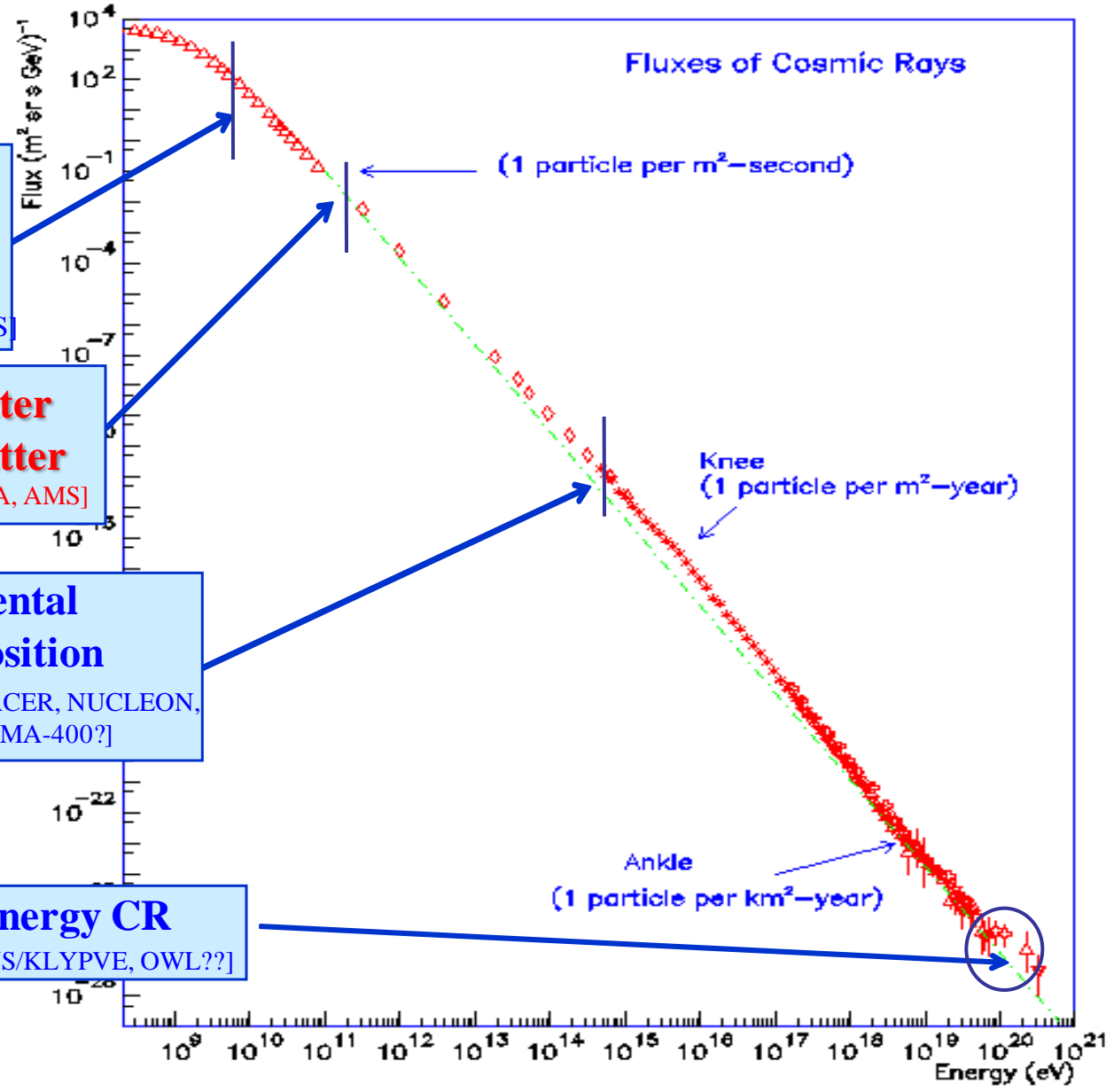
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Fluxes of Cosmic Rays



Isotopic composition
[ACE]
Solar Modulation
[PAMELA, ULYSSES]

Antimatter
Dark Matter
[BESS, PAMELA, AMS]

Elemental Composition
[CREAM, ATIC, TRACER, NUCLEON, CALET, GAMMA-400?]

Extreme Energy CR
[AUGER, EUSO, TUS/KLYPVE, OWL??]

PAMELA detectors

Main requirements → high-sensitivity antiparticle identification and precise momentum measure



Time-Of-Flight
plastic scintillators + PMT:

- Trigger
- Albedo rejection;
- Mass identification up to 1 GeV;
- Charge identification from dE/dX .

Electromagnetic calorimeter
W/Si sampling (16.3 X_0 , 0.6 λD)

- Discrimination e^+ / p , anti- p / e^- (shower topology)
- Direct E measurement for e^-

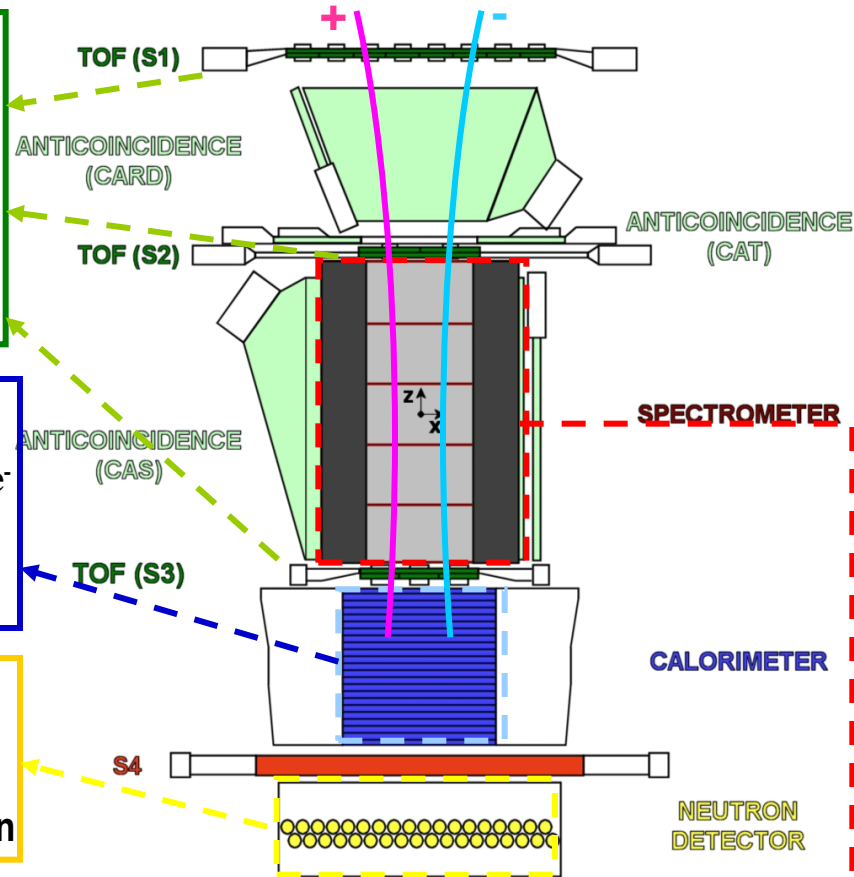
Neutron detector
 ^3He tubes + polyethylene moderator:

- High-energy e/h discrimination

Spectrometer
microstrip silicon tracking system + permanent magnet

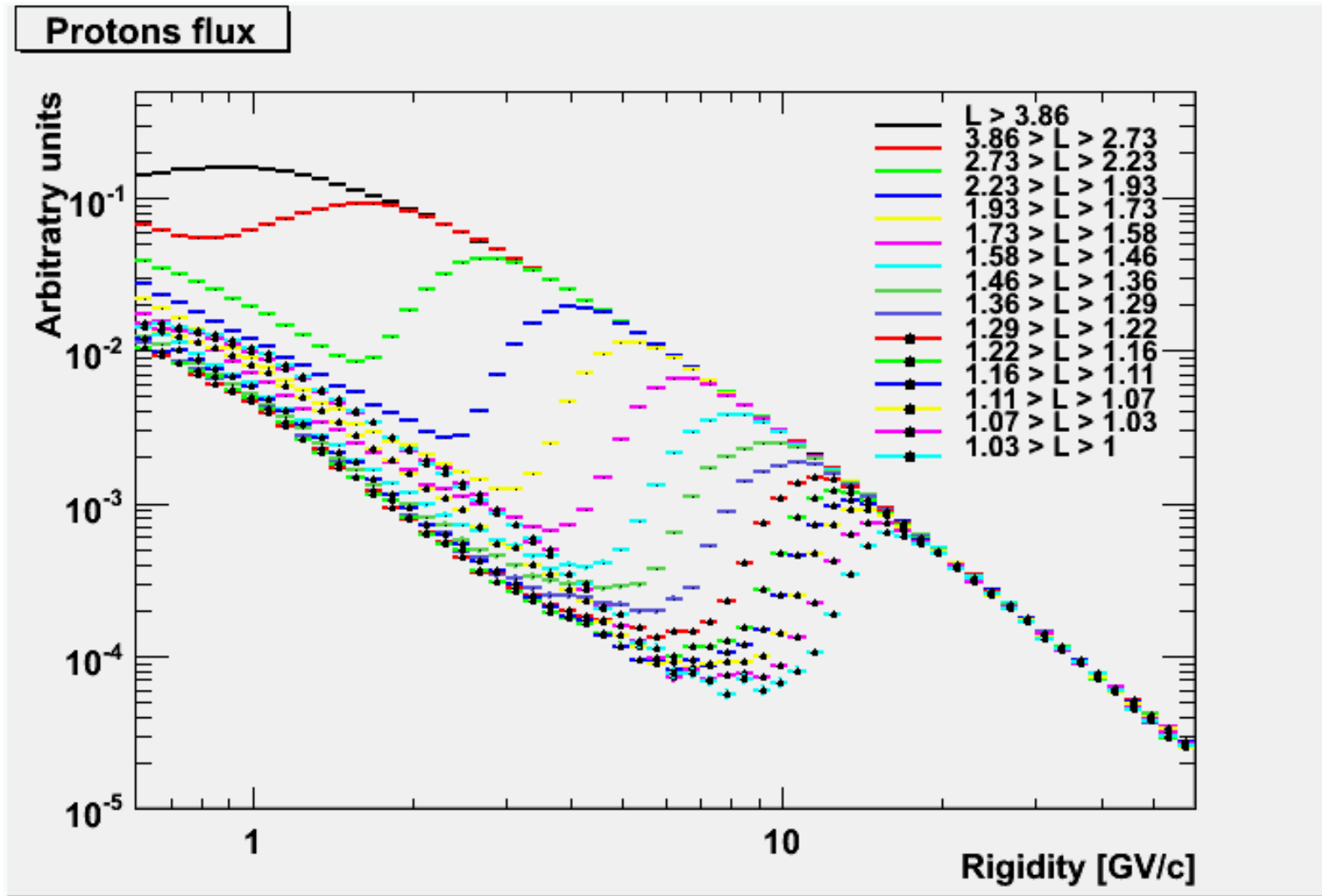
It provides:

- **Magnetic rigidity** → $R = pc/Ze$
- **Charge sign**
- **Charge value from dE/dx**



GF: 21.5 cm² sr
Mass: 470 kg
Size: 130x70x70 cm³
Power Budget: 360W

Subcutoff particles



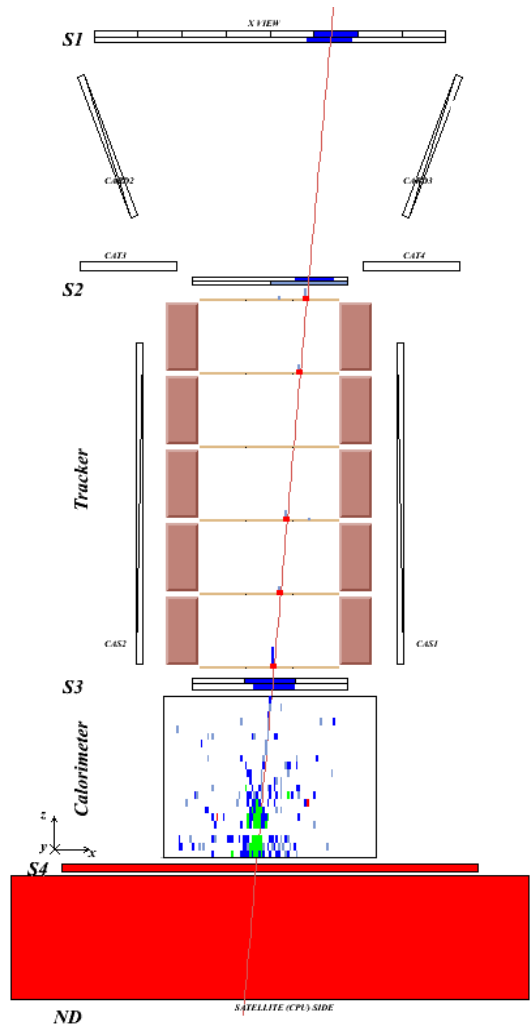
Antiparticles with PAMELA



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Antiproton/ positron identification



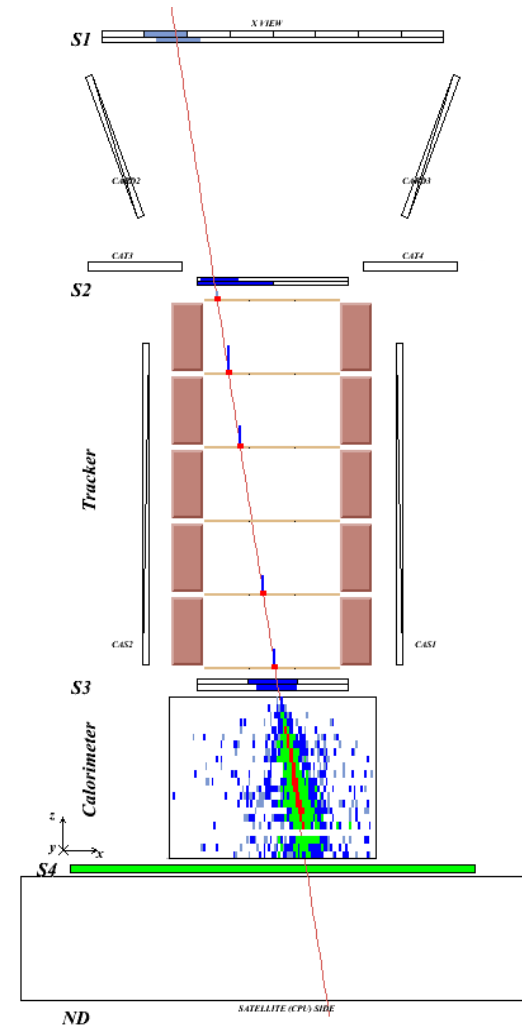
Antiproton
(NB: $e^-/\bar{p} \sim 10^2$)

Time-of-flight:
trigger, albedo
rejection, mass
determination
(up to 1 GeV)

**Bending in
spectrometer:**
sign of charge

**Ionisation energy
loss (dE/dx):**
magnitude of
charge

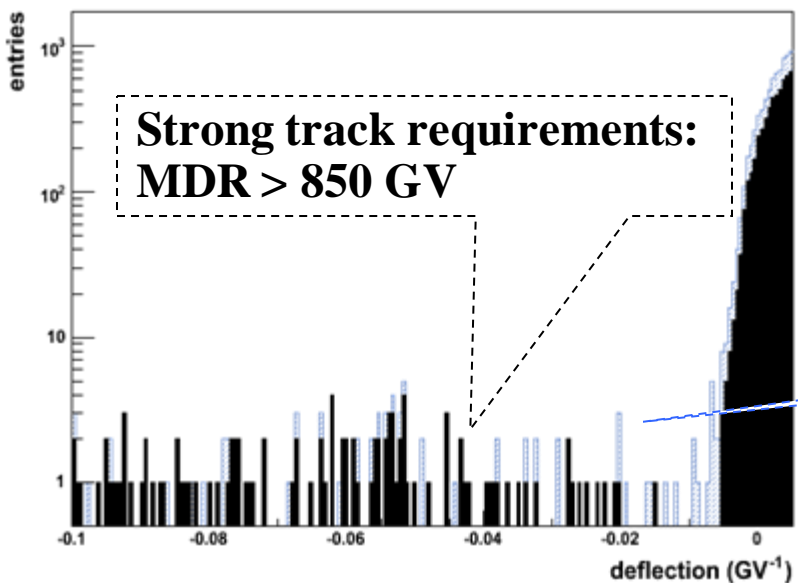
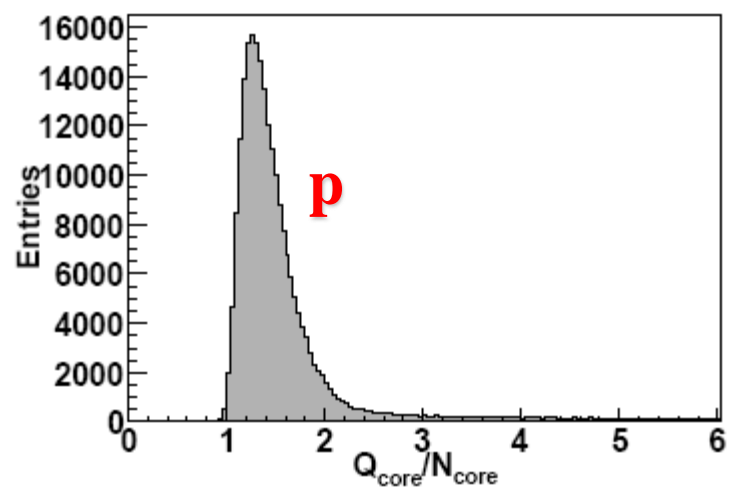
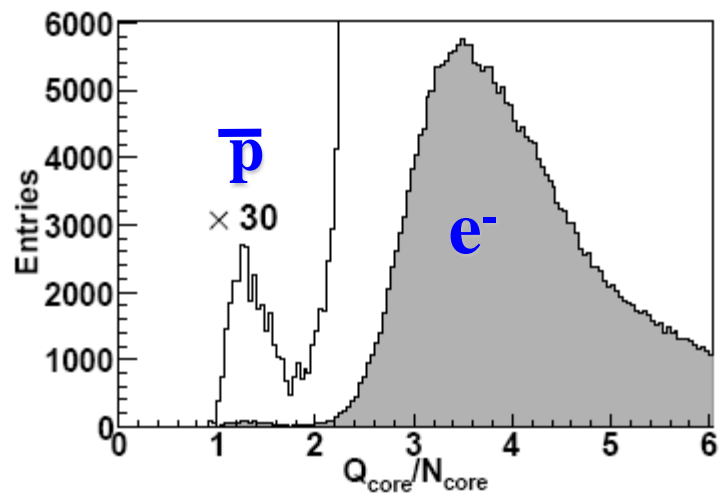
**Interaction
pattern in
calorimeter:**
electron-like or
proton-like,
electron energy



Positron
(NB: $p/e^+ \sim 10^{3-4}$)

ANTIPROTONS

Calorimeter selection



Minimal track requirements

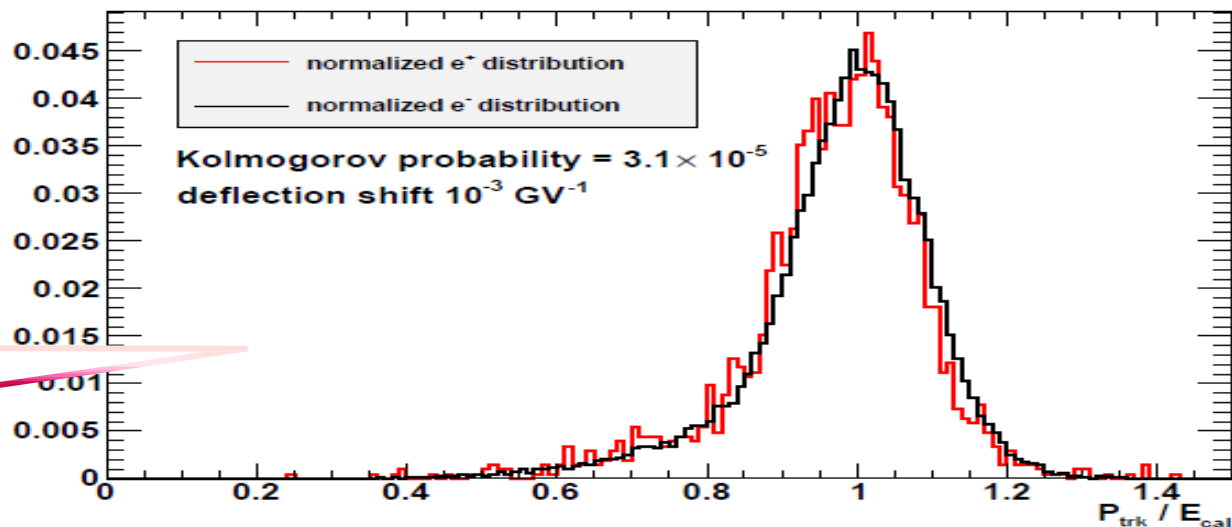
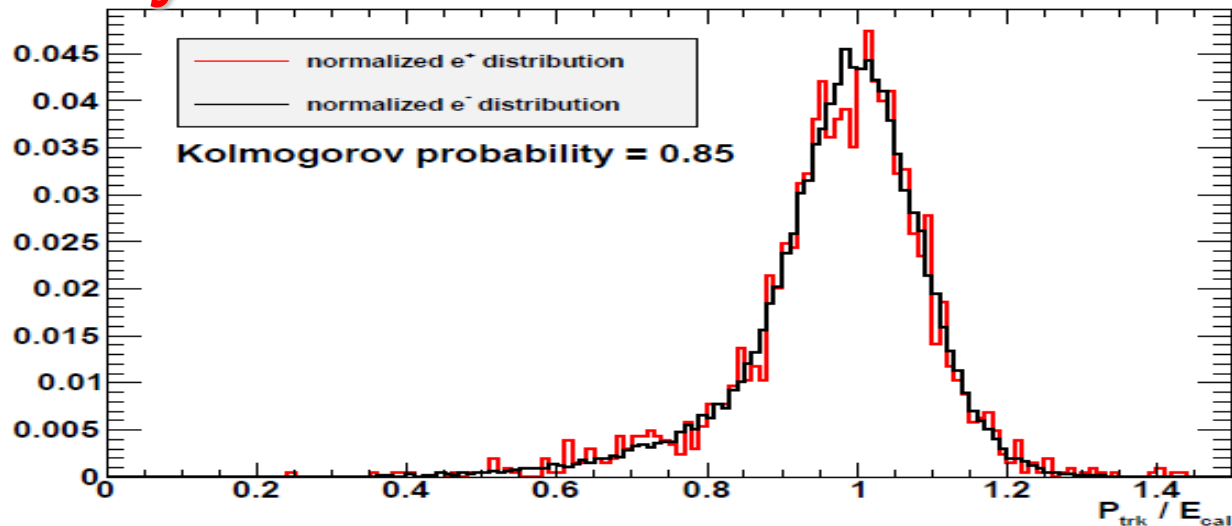
Protons (& spillover)

Spectrometer Systematic Uncertainties

With real data:

$$Z = \frac{1}{E_C |\eta_s|} \longrightarrow \frac{1}{E_C (1 + \varepsilon) (|\eta_s| \pm \Delta\eta)}$$

- The spectrometer may have a charge-sign dependent systematic
- A calorimeter systematic has no such dependence



A systematic deflection shift causes an offset between e^- and e^+ distribution

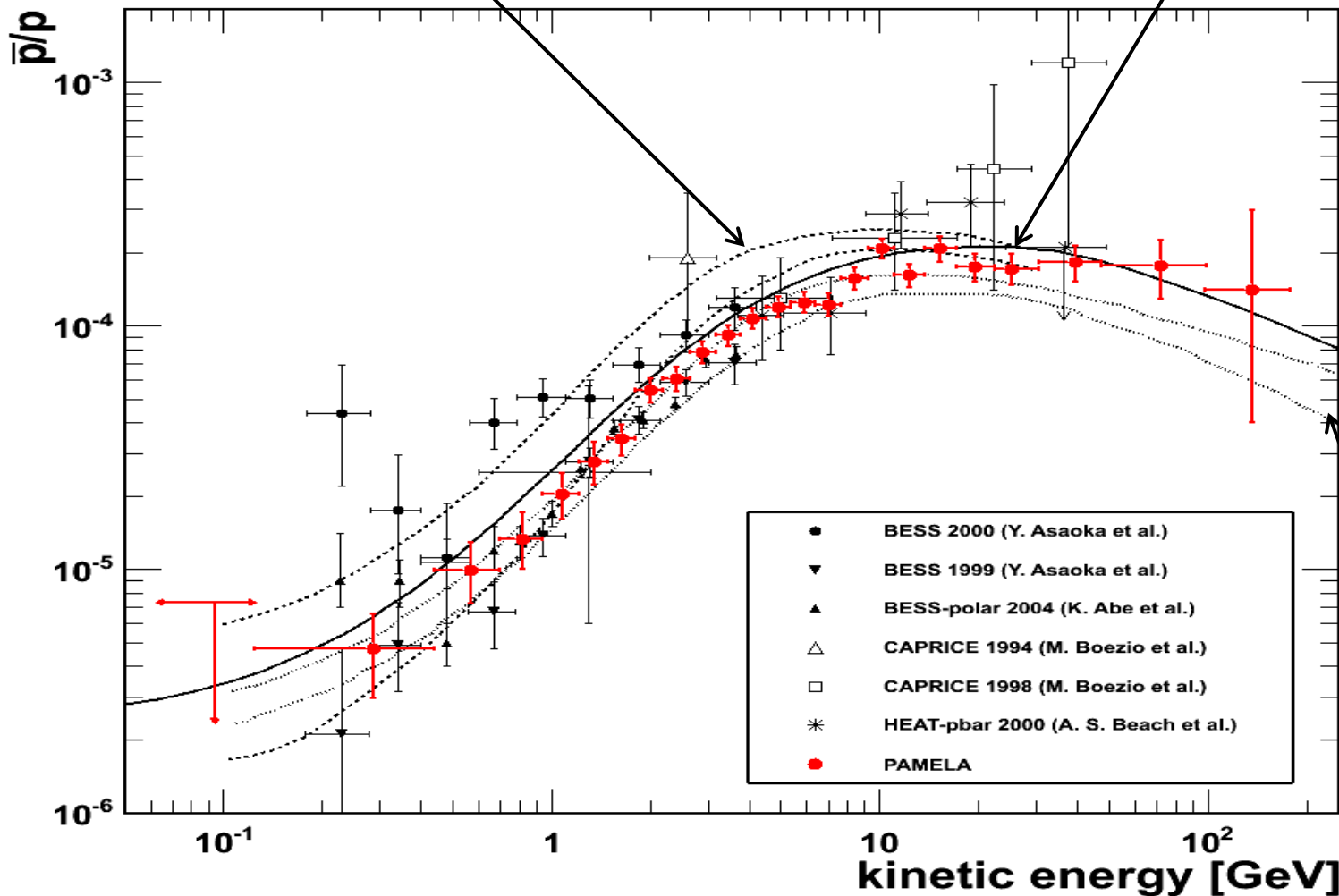
Upper limit set by positron statistics:

$$\Delta\eta_{\text{sys}} \sim 1 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ GV}^{-1}$$

Antiproton to proton ratio (0.06 GeV - 180 GeV)

Simon et al. (ApJ 499 (1998) 250)

Ptuskin et al. (ApJ 642 (2006) 902)



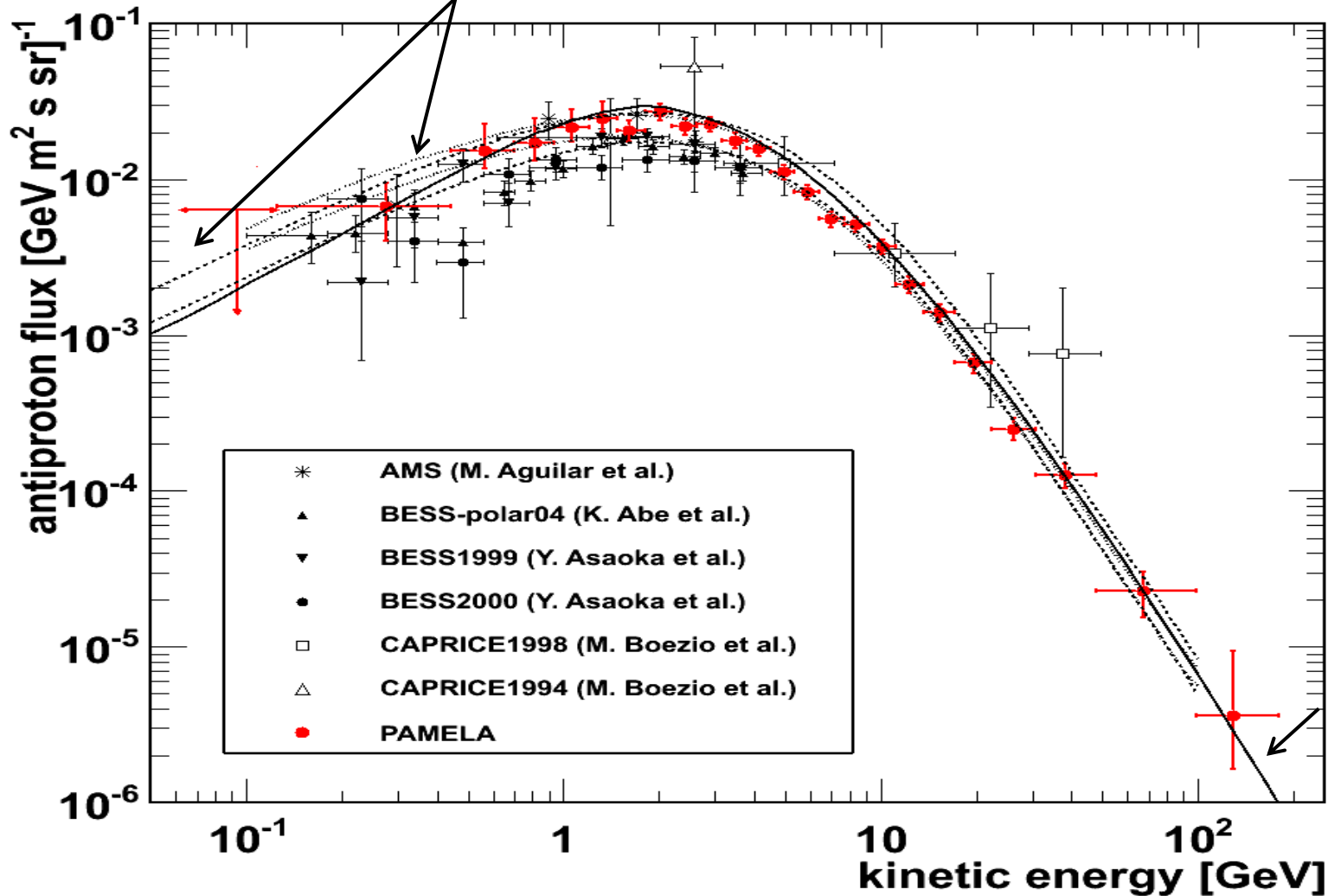
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Antiproton Flux (0.06 GeV - 180 GeV)

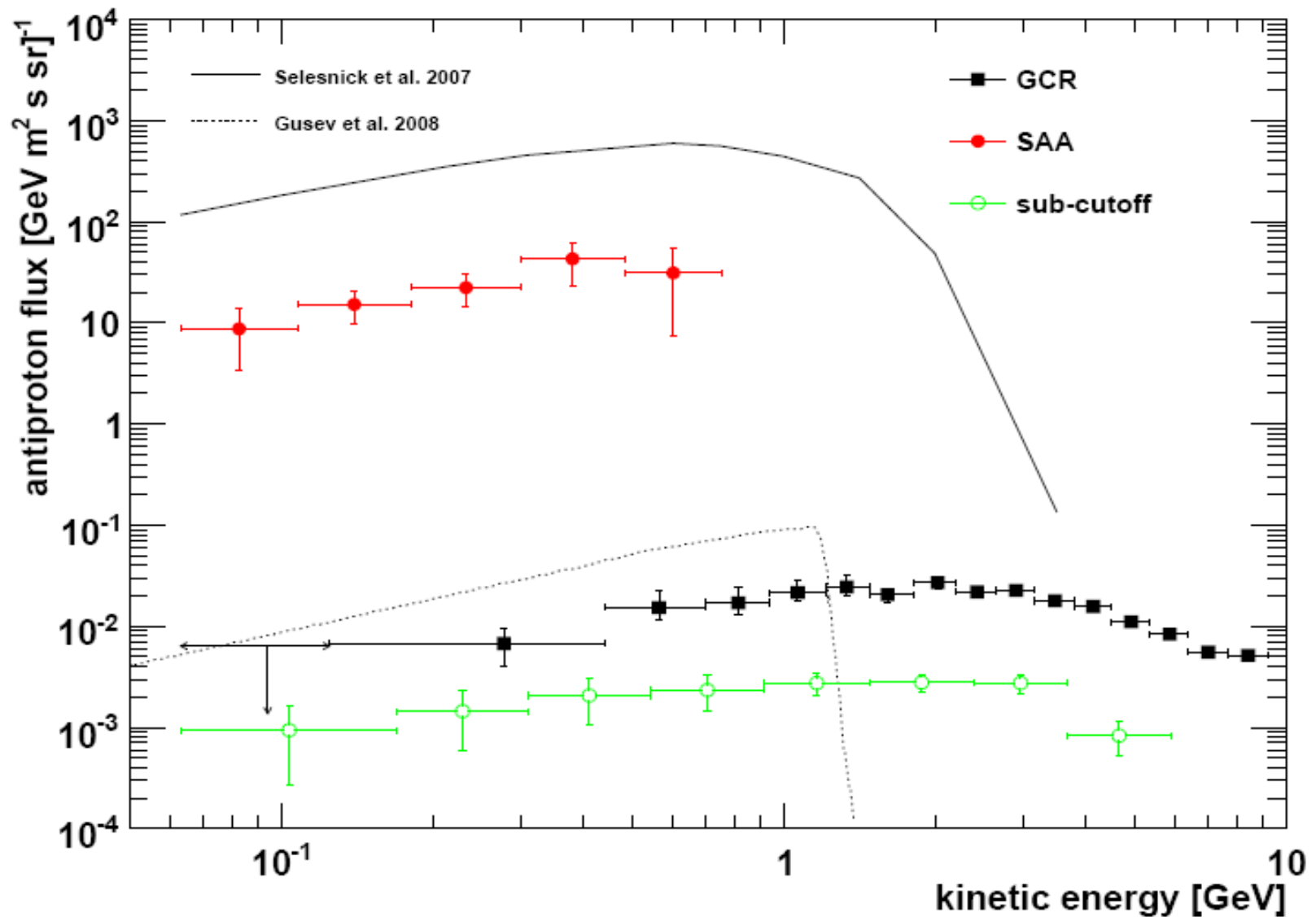
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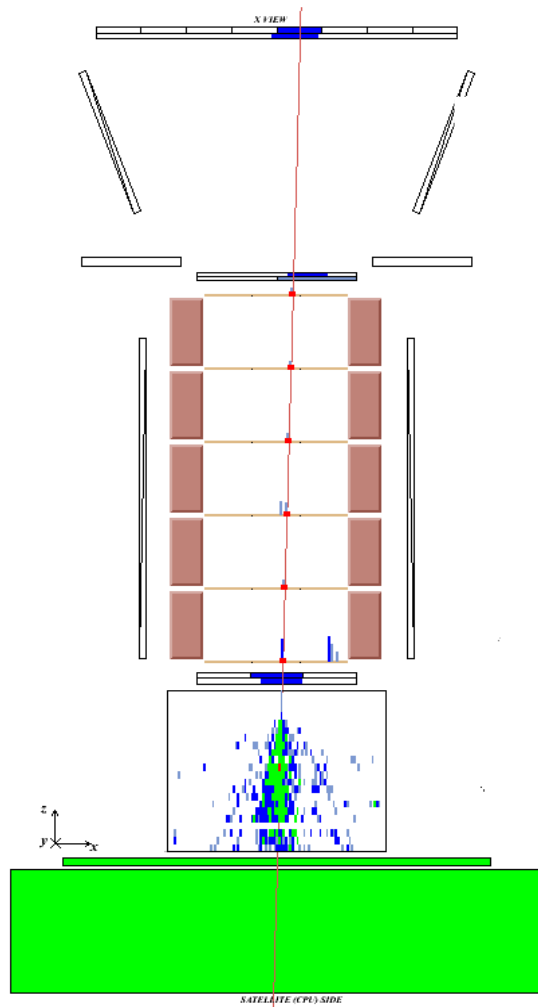
PAMELA trapped antiprotons



O. Adriani et al., to appear in *Astrophys. J. Lett.* (2011); arXiv:1107.4882

POSITRONS

Proton / positron discrimination



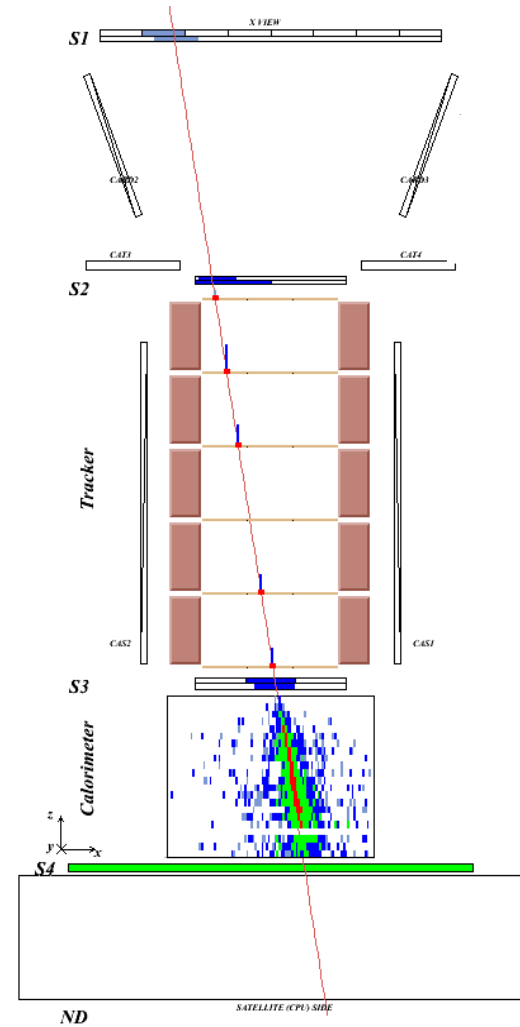
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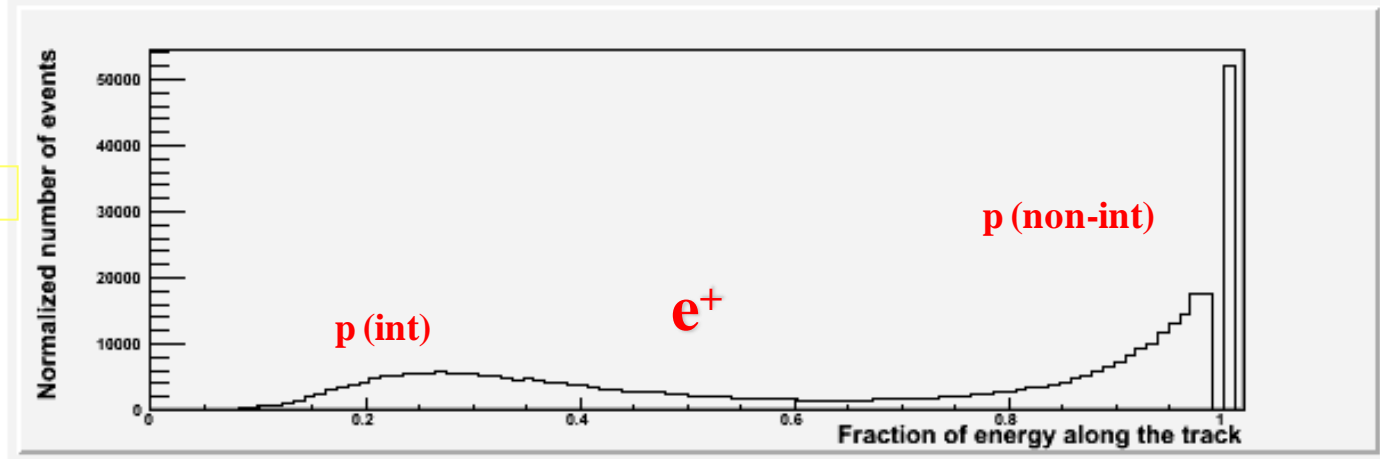
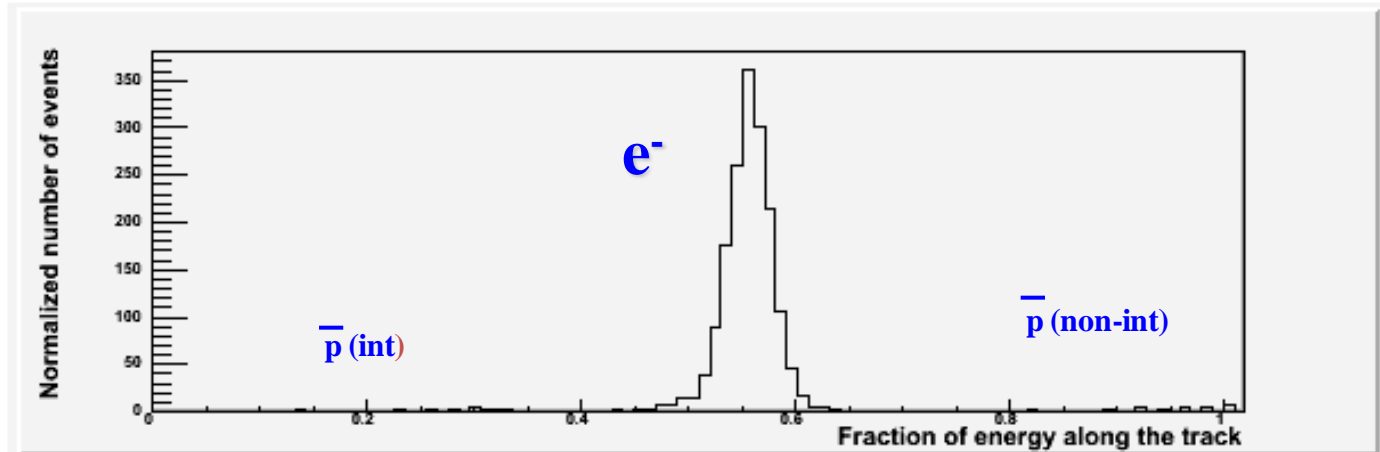
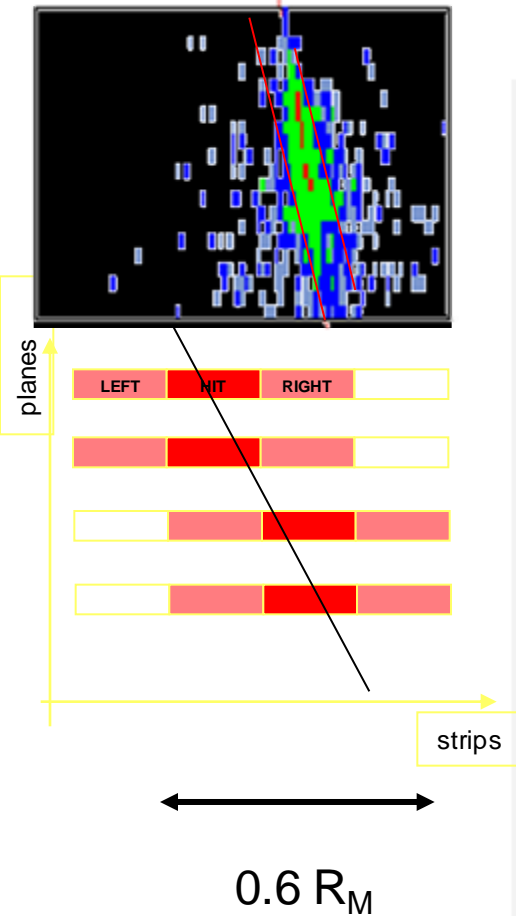
Proton



Positron

Positron selection with calorimeter

Fraction of energy released along the calorimeter track (left, hit, right)

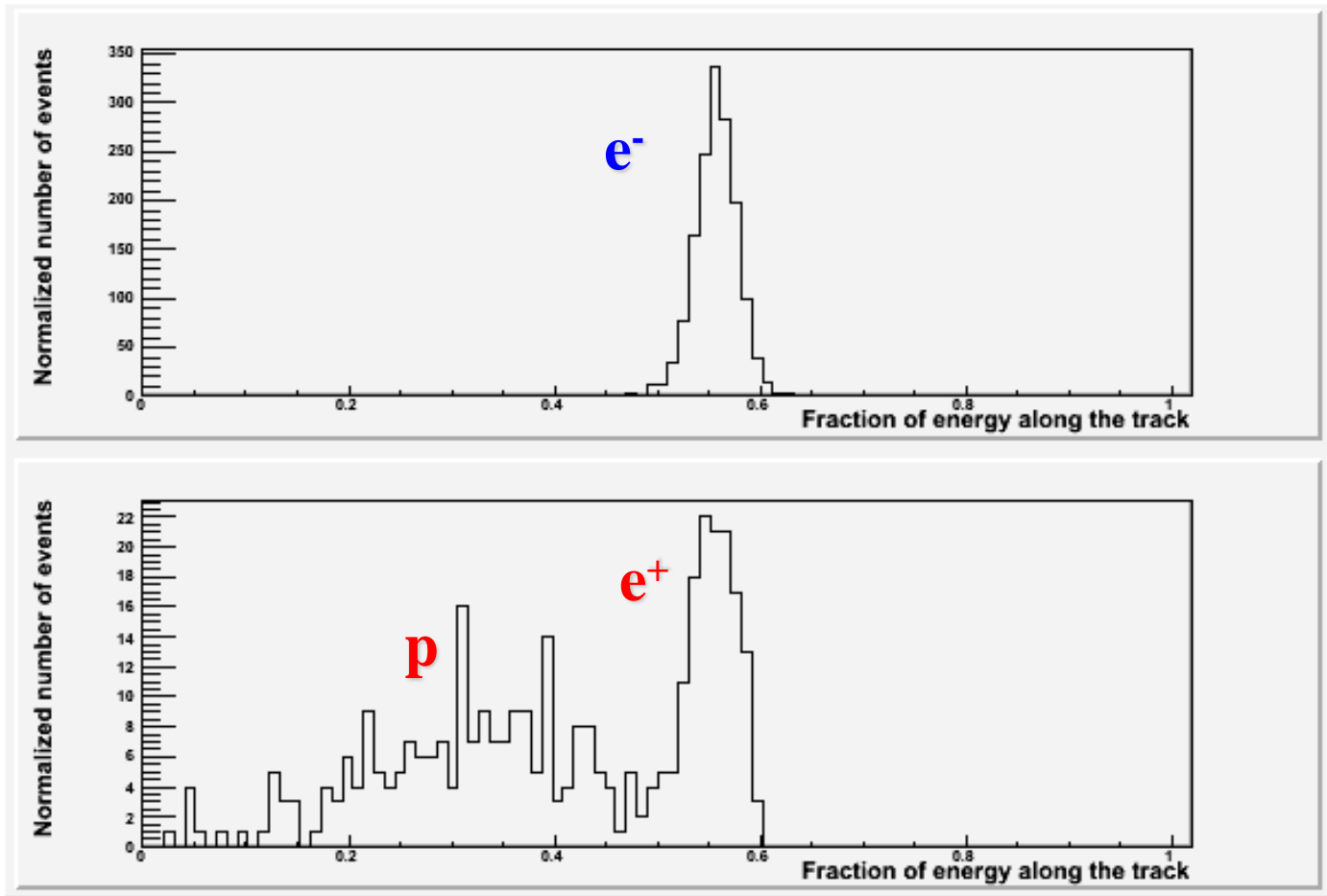


Rigidity: 20-30 GV

for em showers
90% of E contained
in $1 R_M$

Positron selection with calorimeter

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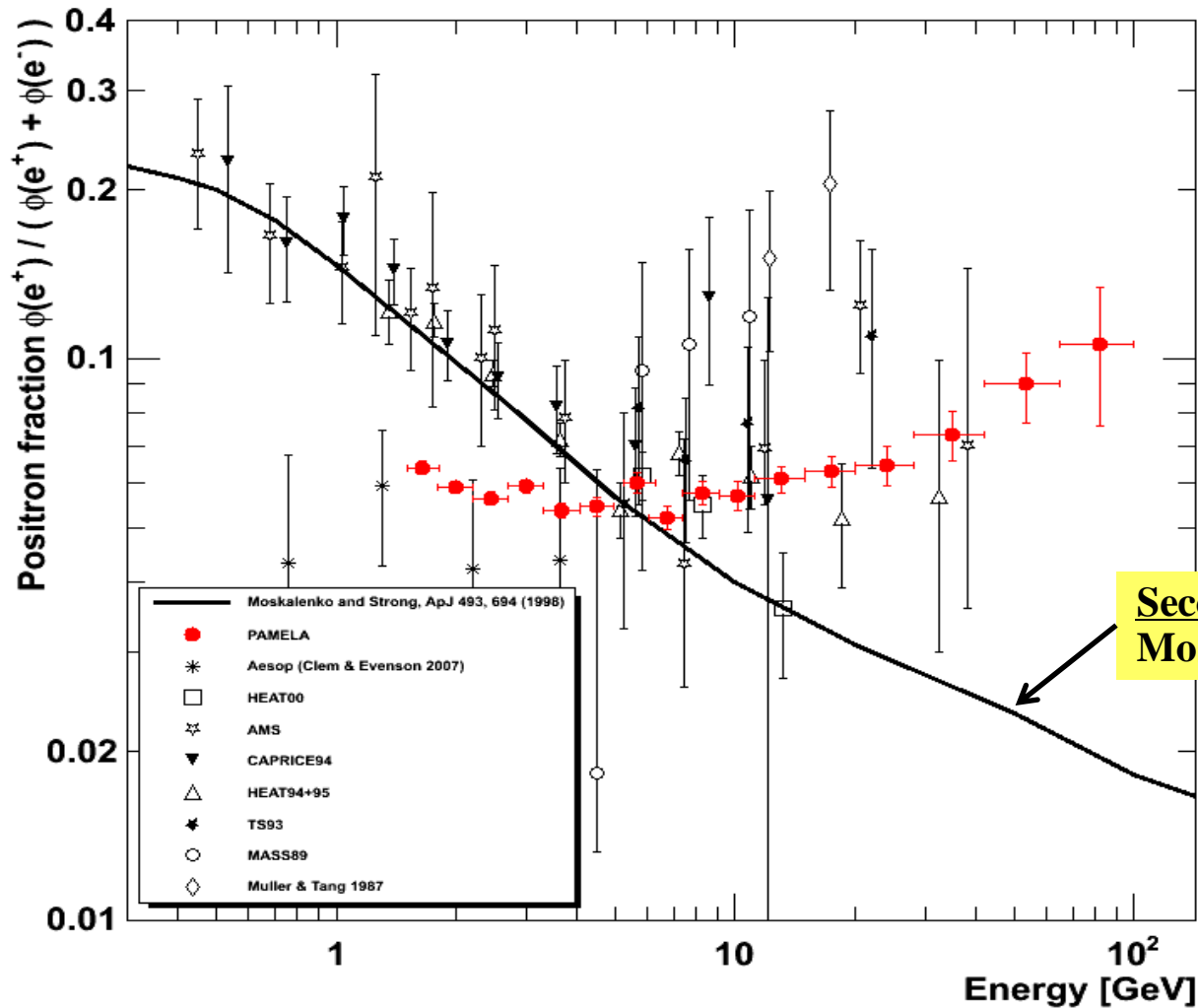


Fraction of charge released along the calorimeter track (left, hit, right)

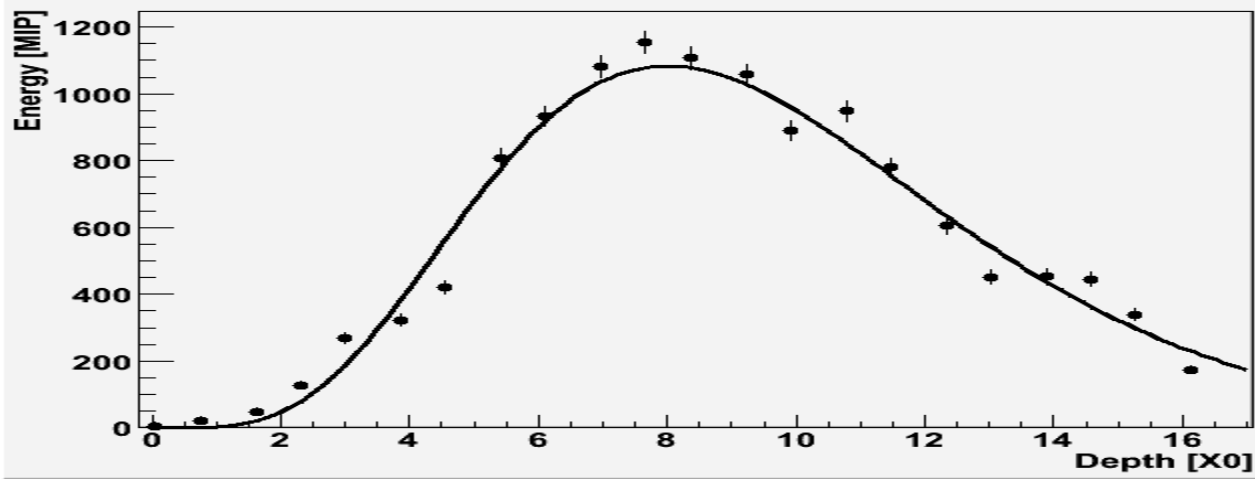
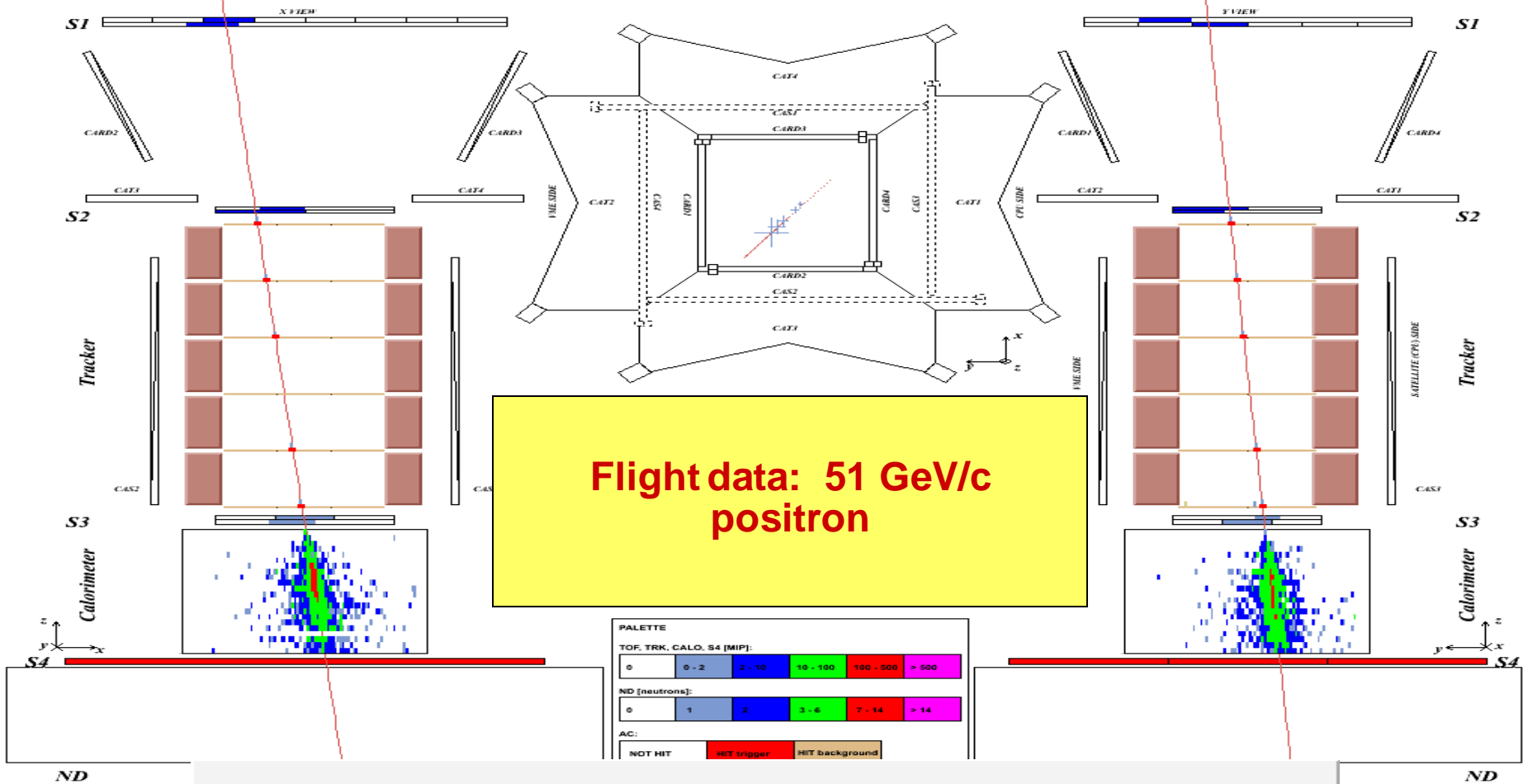
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- Energy-momentum match
- Starting point of shower

Positron to Electron Fraction

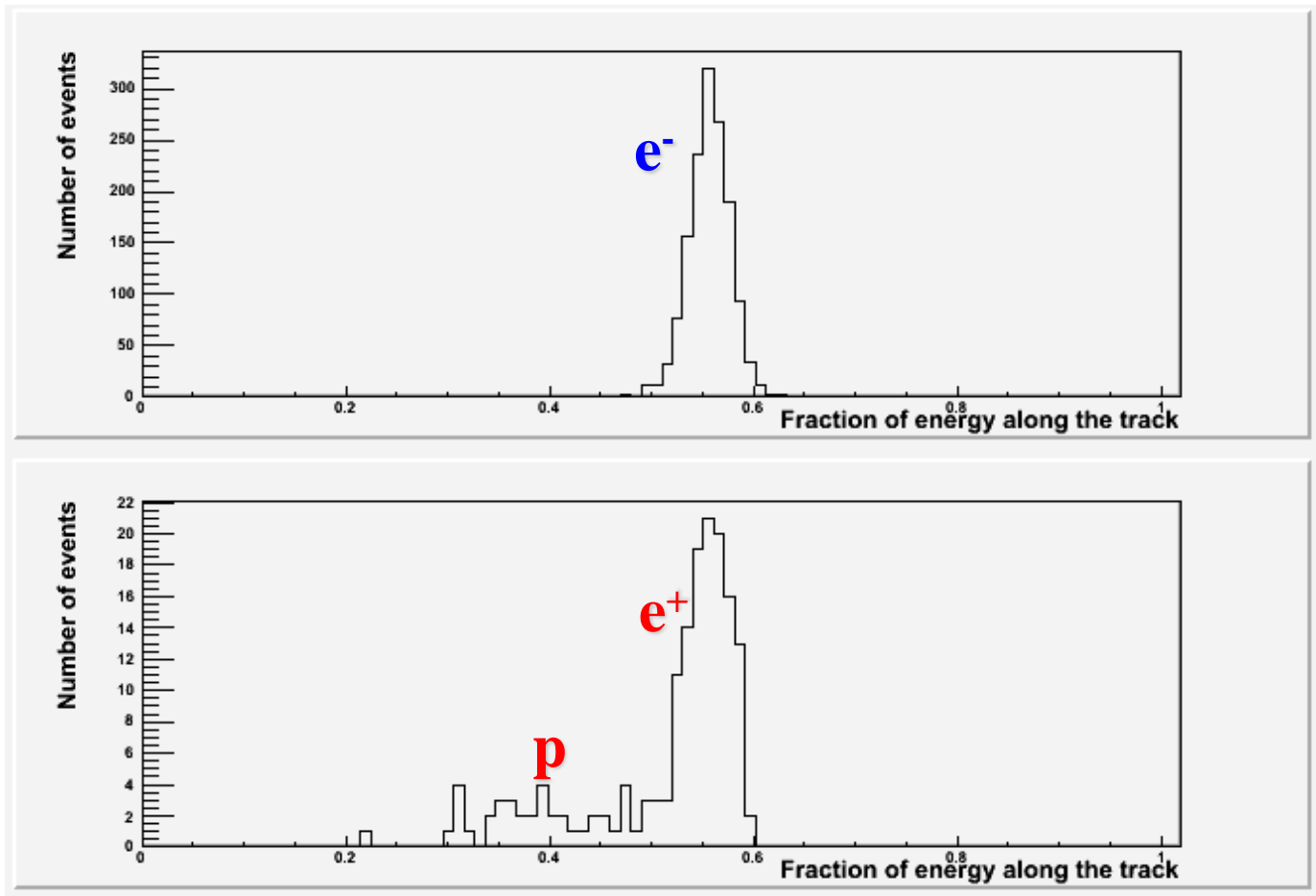


Astropart. Phys. 34 (2010) 1
Nature 458 (2009) 607



Positron selection with calorimeter

Rigidity: 20-30 GV



Fraction of charge released along the calorimeter track (left, hit, right)

+

- Energy-momentum match
- Starting point of shower
- Longitudinal profile

Positron selection with calorimeter

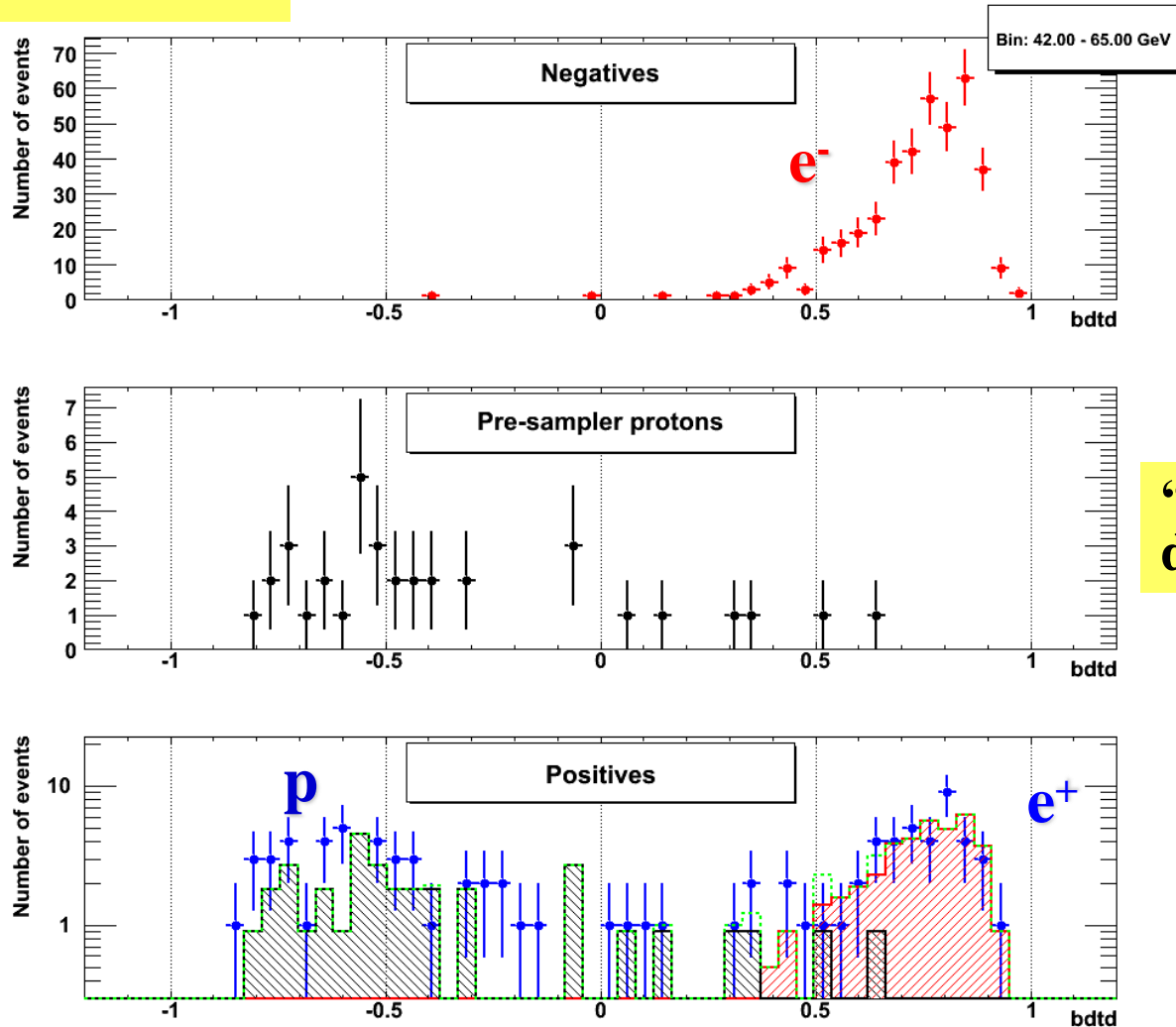
TMVA: Toolkit for MultiVariate data Analysis
<http://tmva.sourceforge.net/>

TMVA host large variety of multivariate classification algorithms (cut optimization with genetic algorithm, linear and non-linear discriminated and neural networks, support vector machine, boosted decisional trees, ...)

Training with “pre-sampler” data and simulation for the whole calorimeter.

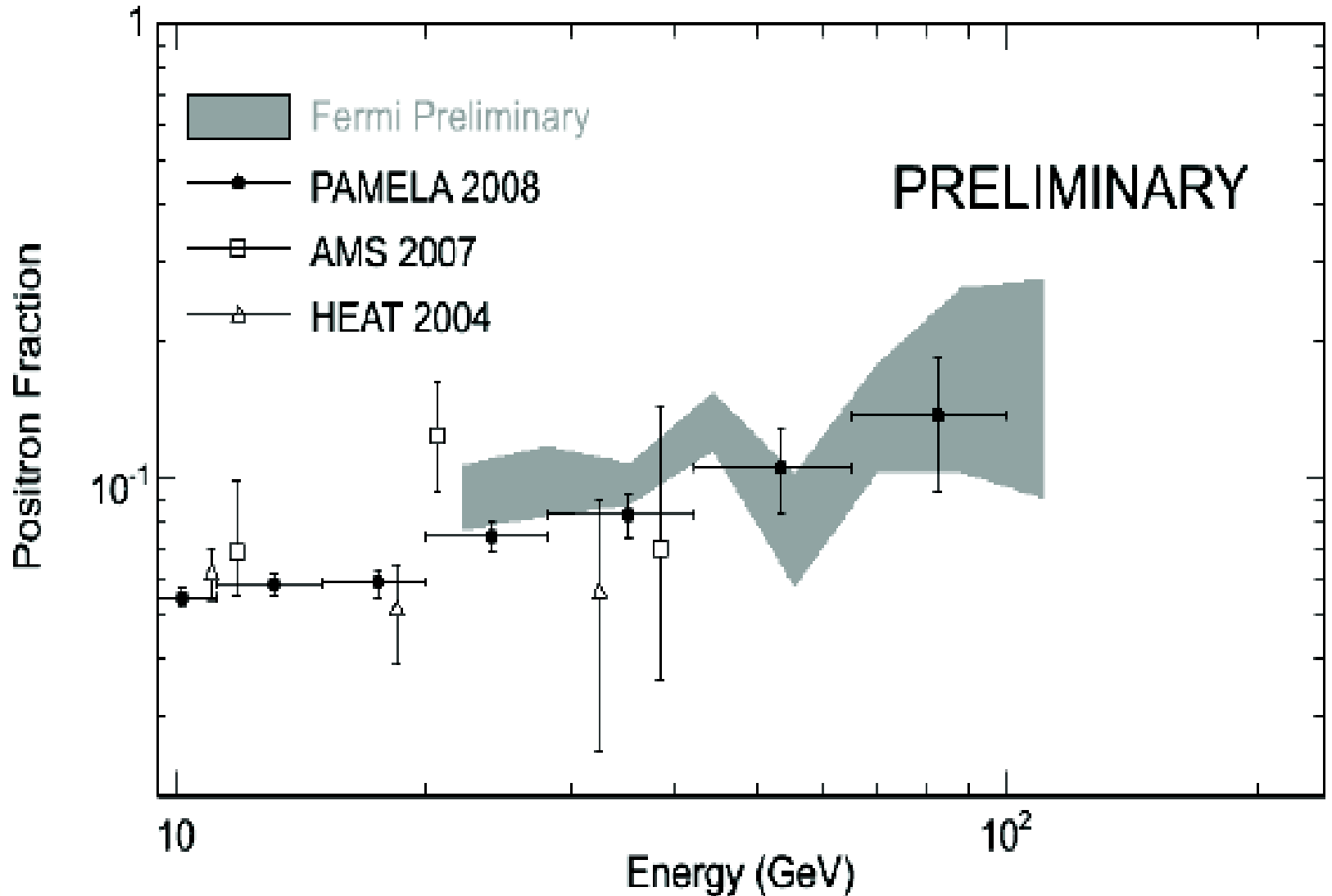
Positron selection with calorimeter

Rigidity: 42-65 GV
Boosted Decisional Trees



“Pre-sampler”
data

PAMELA & Fermi Positron Fraction



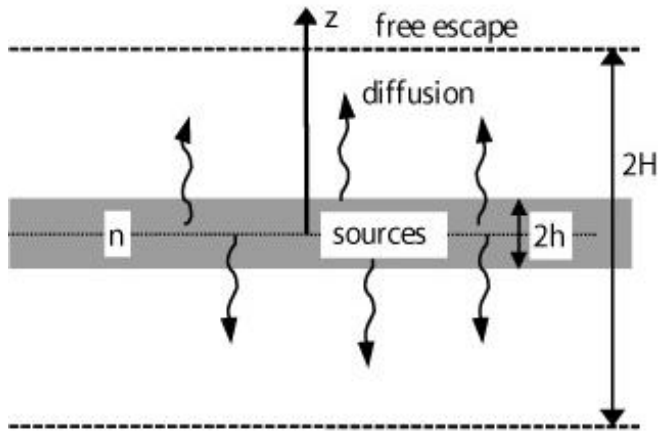
Fermi Symposium, May 9 2011

Cosmic Ray Spectra

Cosmic-Ray Acceleration and Propagation in the Galaxy

Diffusion Halo Model

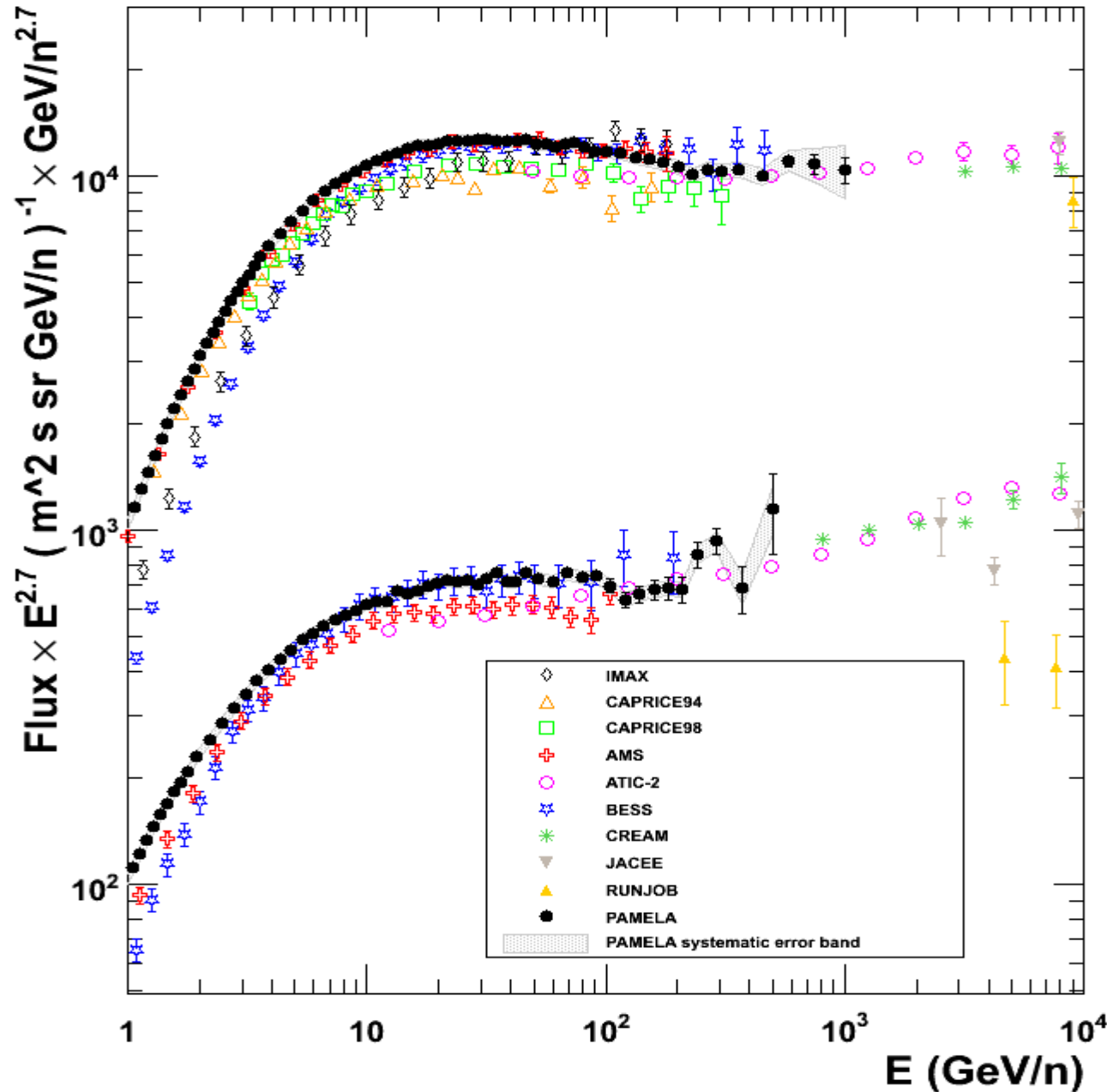
$$\frac{\partial N_i(E, z, t)}{\partial t} = \underbrace{D(E) \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} N_i(E, z, t)}_{\text{diffusion}} - \underbrace{N_i(E, z, t) \left\{ \frac{1}{\tau_i^{\text{int}}(E, z)} + \frac{1}{\gamma(E)\tau_i^{\text{dec}}} \right\}}_{\text{interaction and decay}}$$



$$+ \underbrace{\sum_{k>i} \frac{N_k(E, z, t)}{\tau_{\text{int}}^{k \rightarrow i}(E, z)}}_{\text{secondary production}} + \underbrace{Q_i(E, z)}_{\text{primary sources}}$$

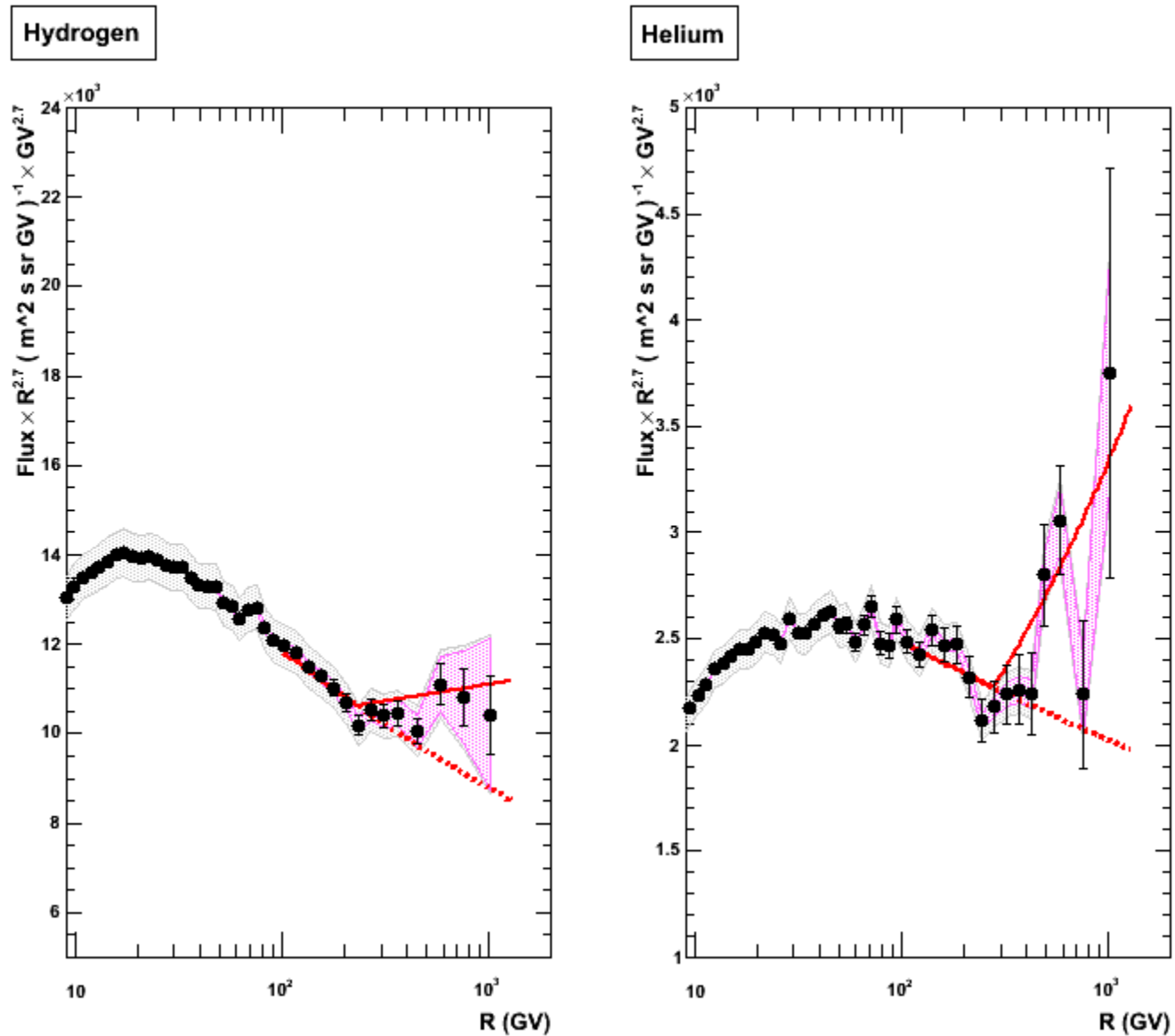
$$- \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial E} \left\{ \left\langle \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} \right\rangle \cdot N_i(E, z, t) \right\} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial E^2} \left\{ \left\langle \frac{\Delta E^2}{\Delta t} \right\rangle \cdot N_i(E, z, t) \right\}}_{\text{energy changing processes (ionisation, reacceleration)}}$$

Proton and Helium Nuclei Spectra

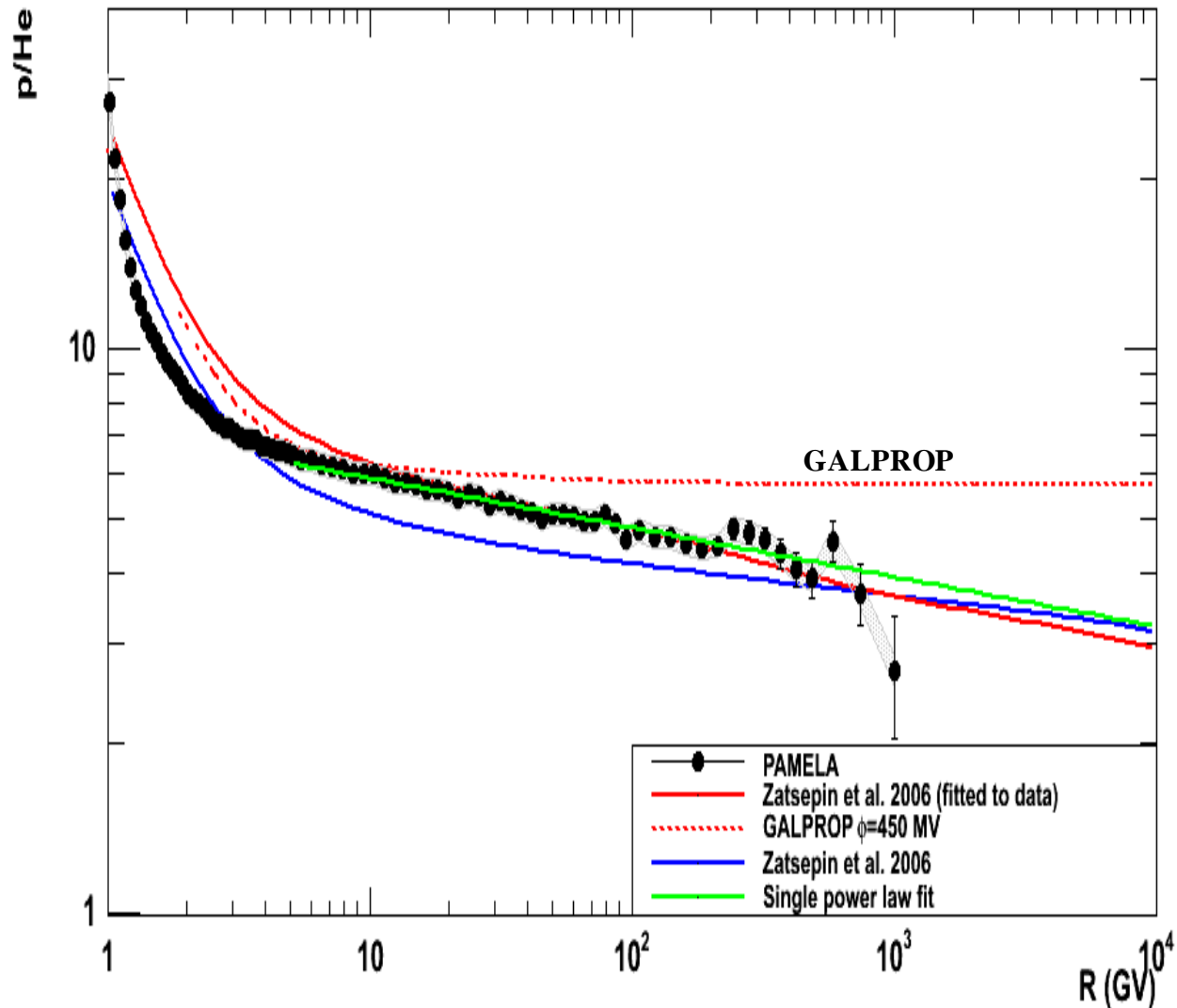


**O. Adriani et al.,
Science 332
(2011) 69**

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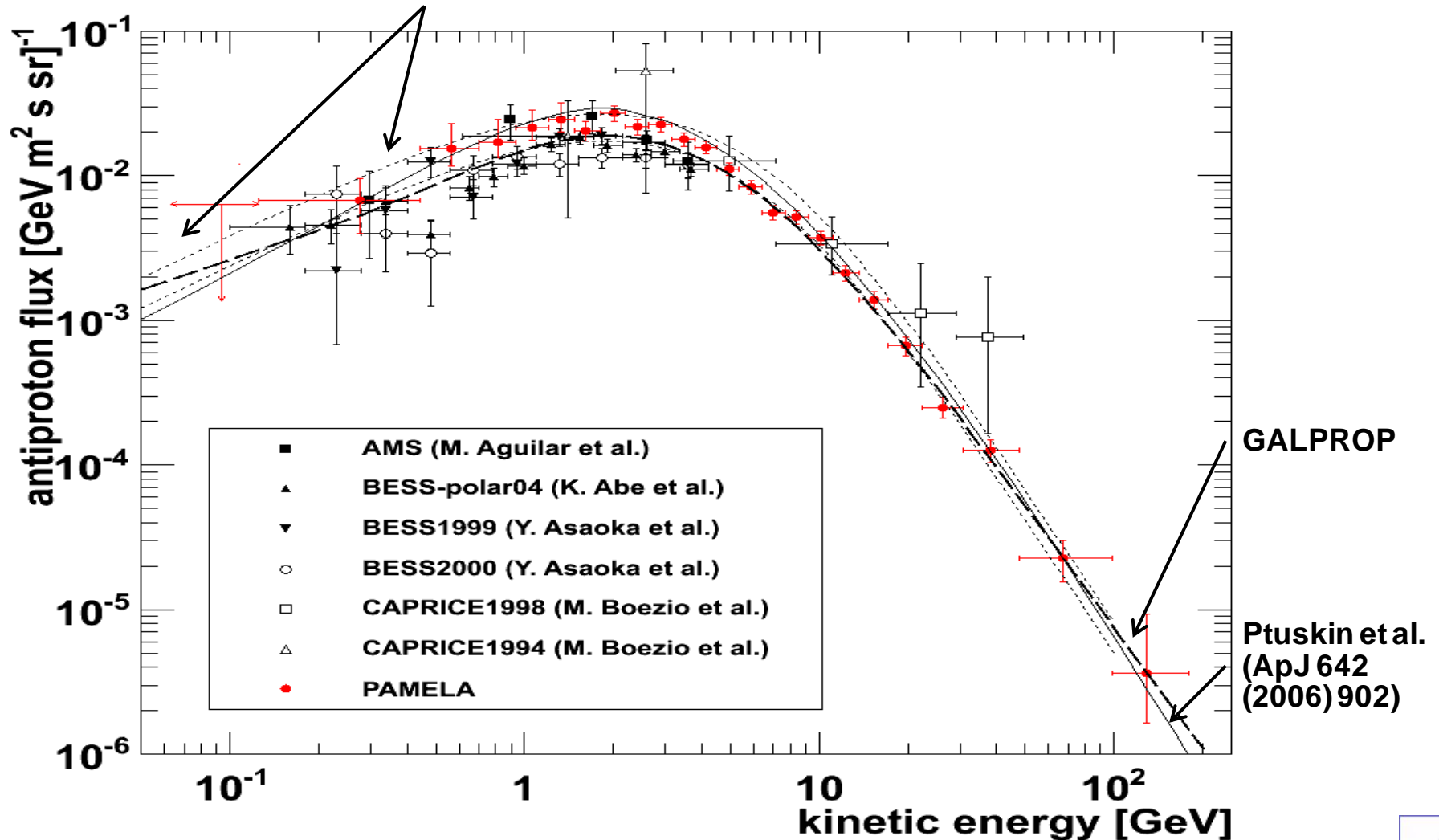


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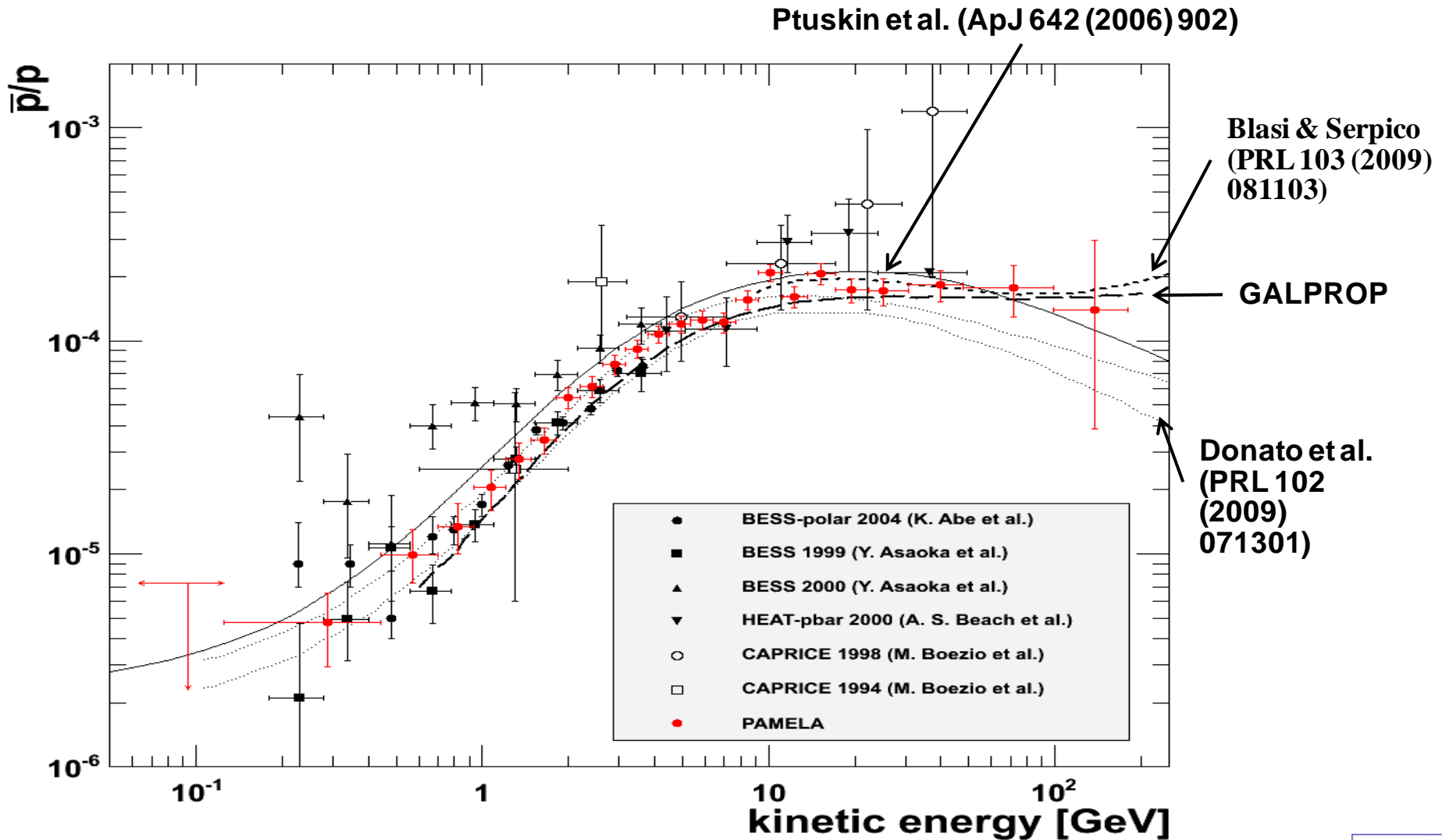
Antiproton Flux

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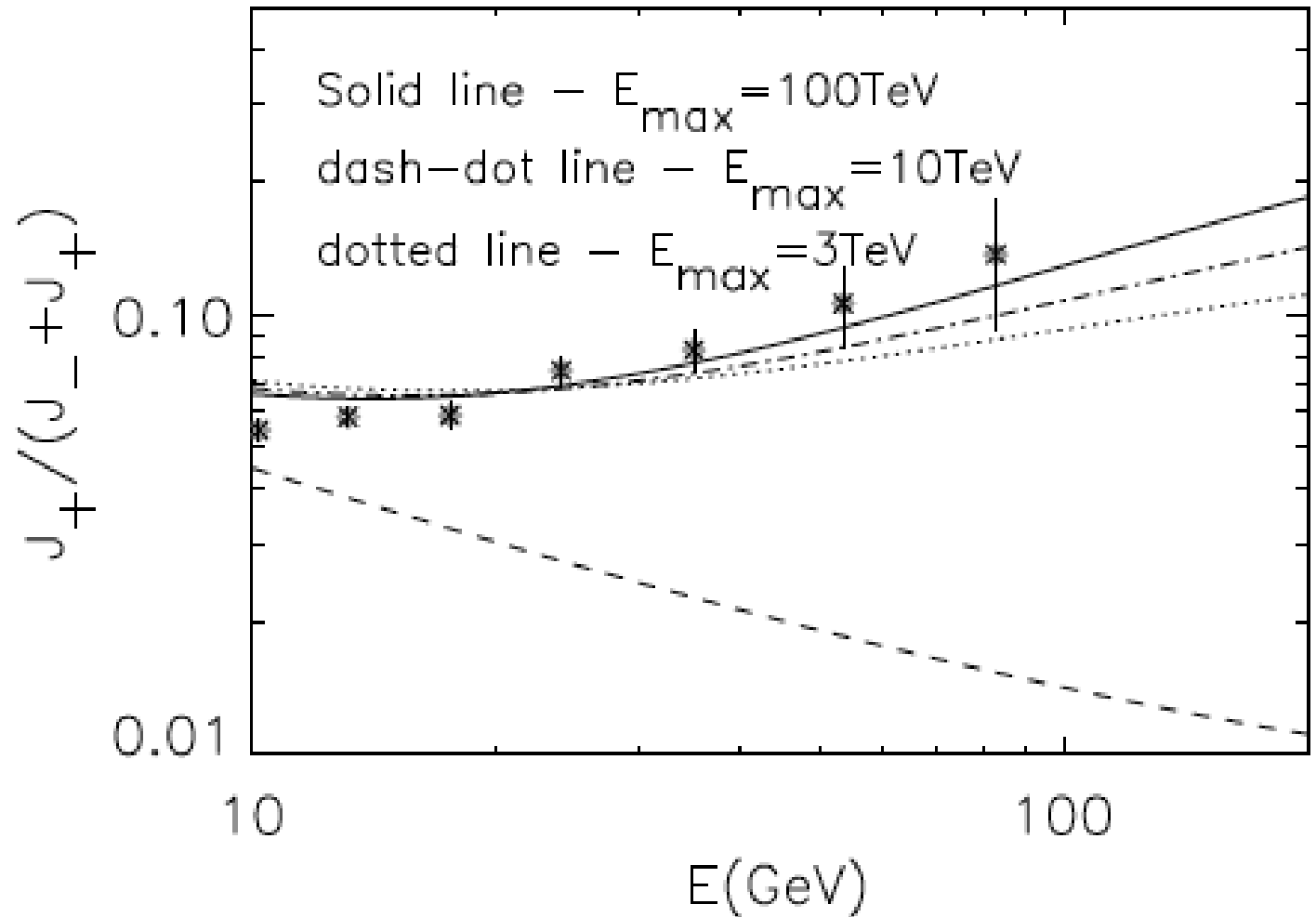


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Antiproton to proton flux ratio



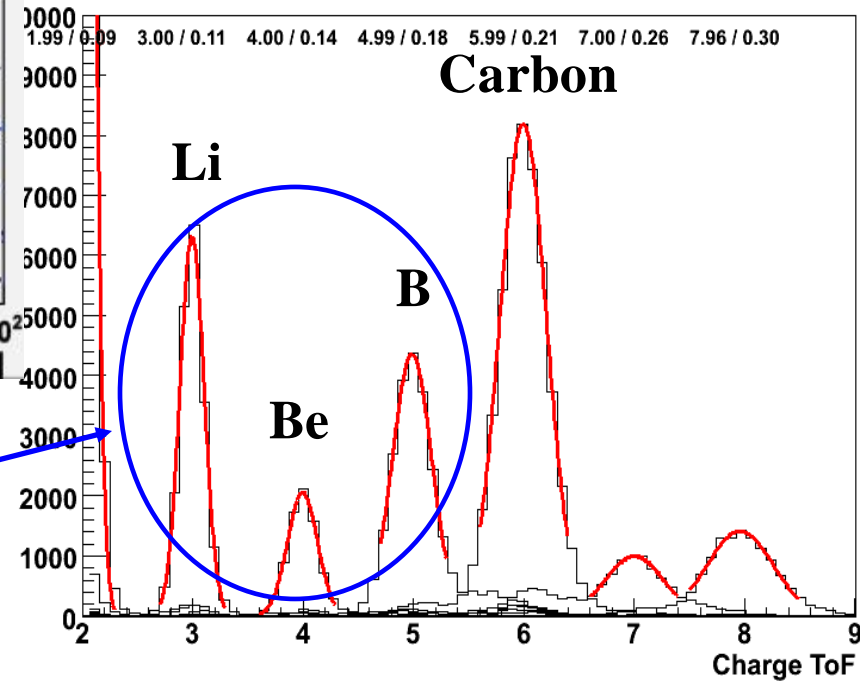
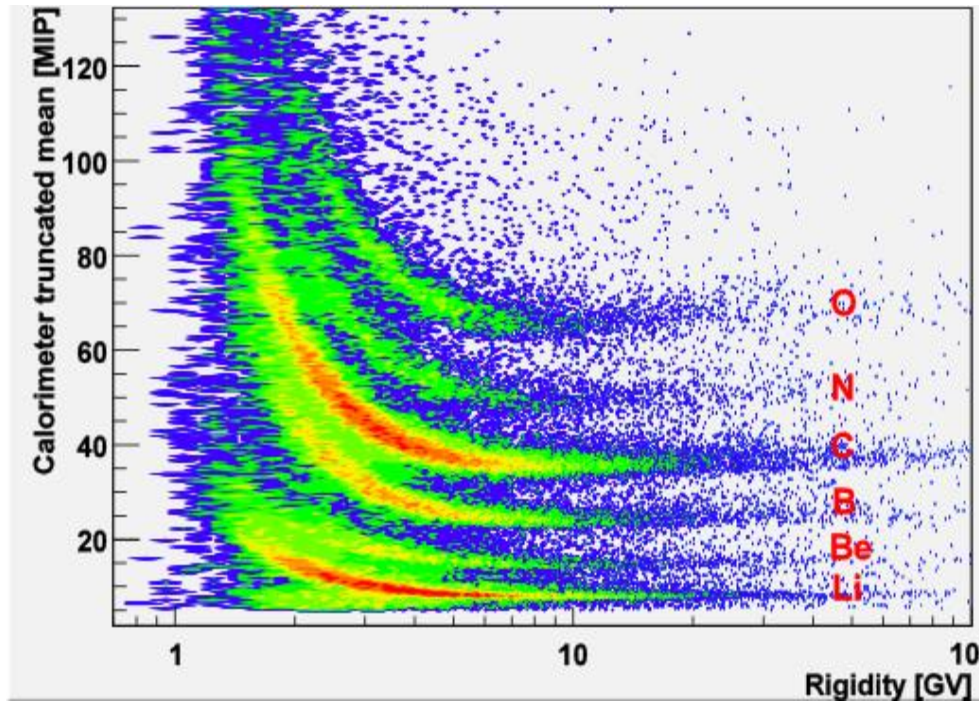
SNR as sources of secondaries e^+



Positrons (and electrons) produced as secondaries in the sources (e.g. SNR) where CRs are accelerated. But also other secondaries are produced: significant increase expected in the \bar{p}/p and B/C ratios.

**P.Blasi, PRL 103 (2009) 051104
arXiv:0903.2794 [astro-ph]**

Light Nuclei Selection



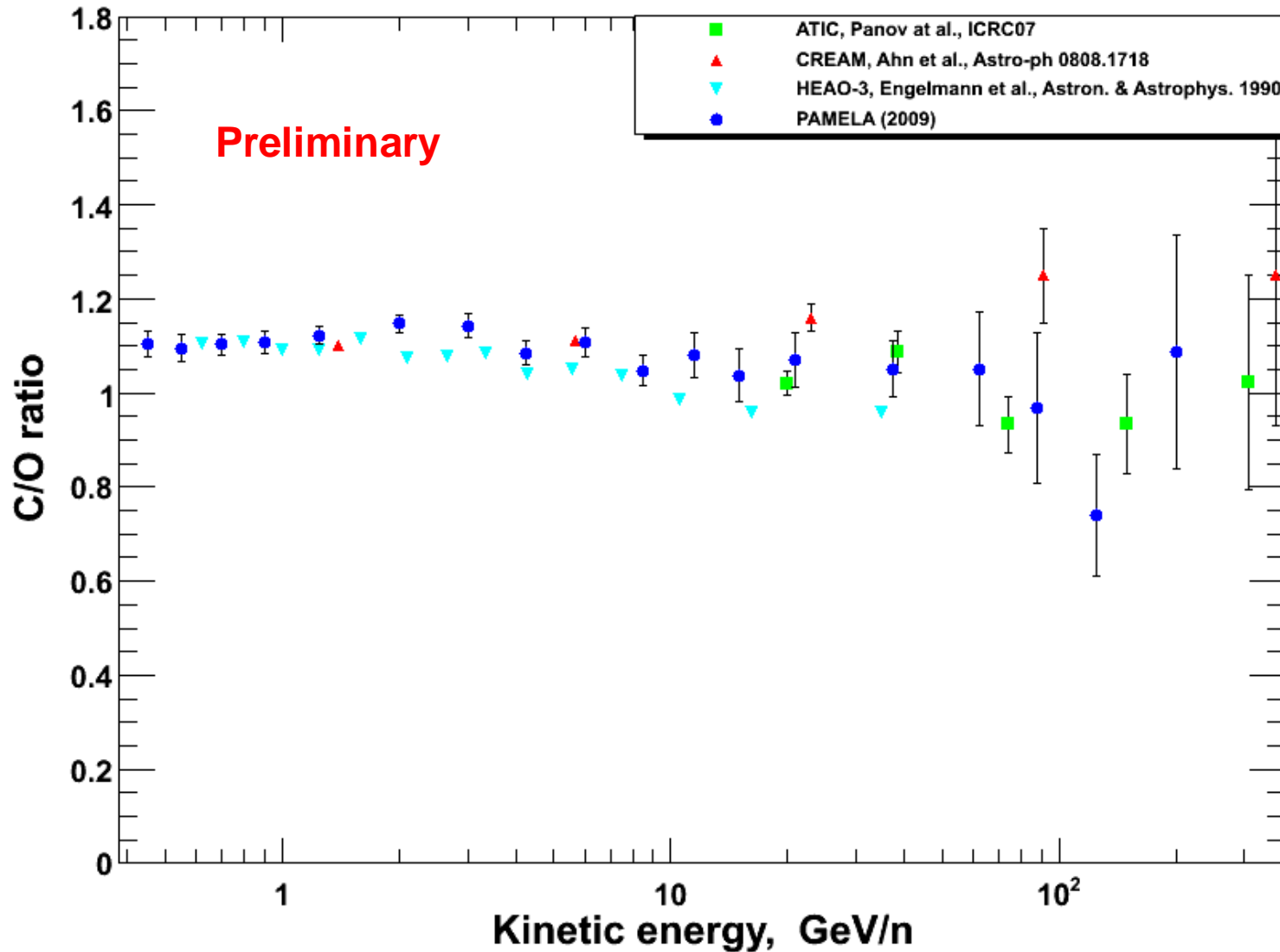
Produced as Secondaries



Information on Cosmic Ray Transport

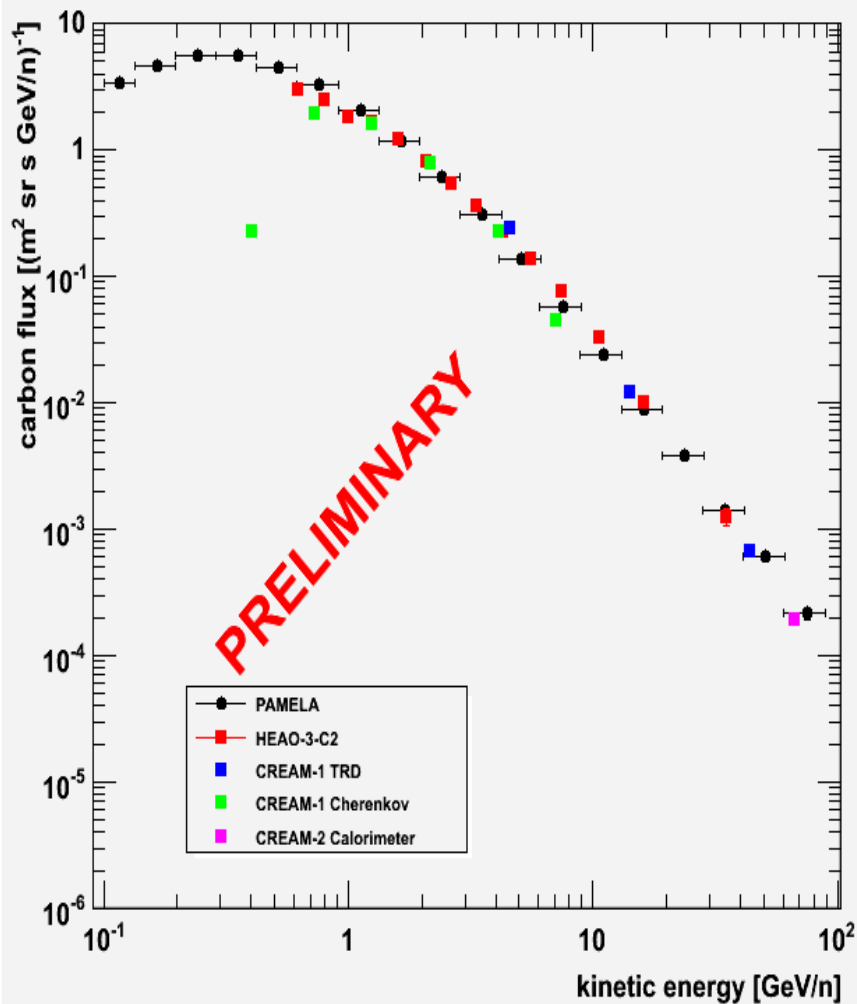
C/O ratio

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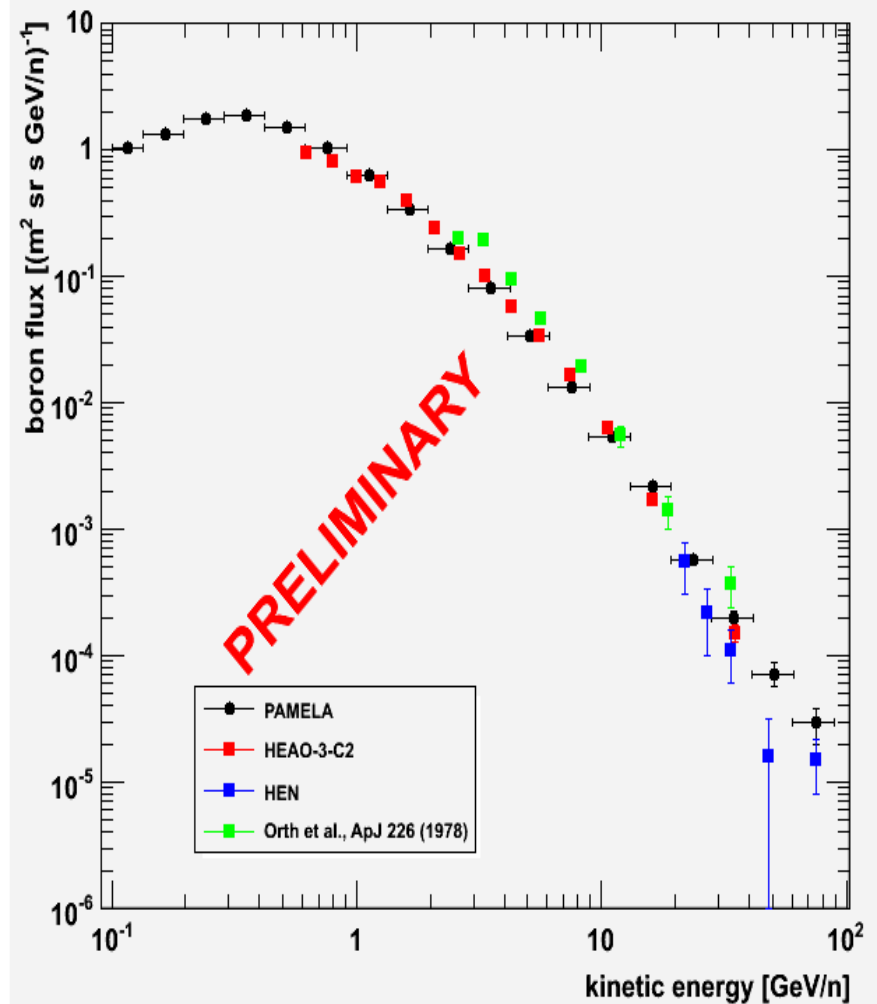


Boron and Carbon nuclei Spectra

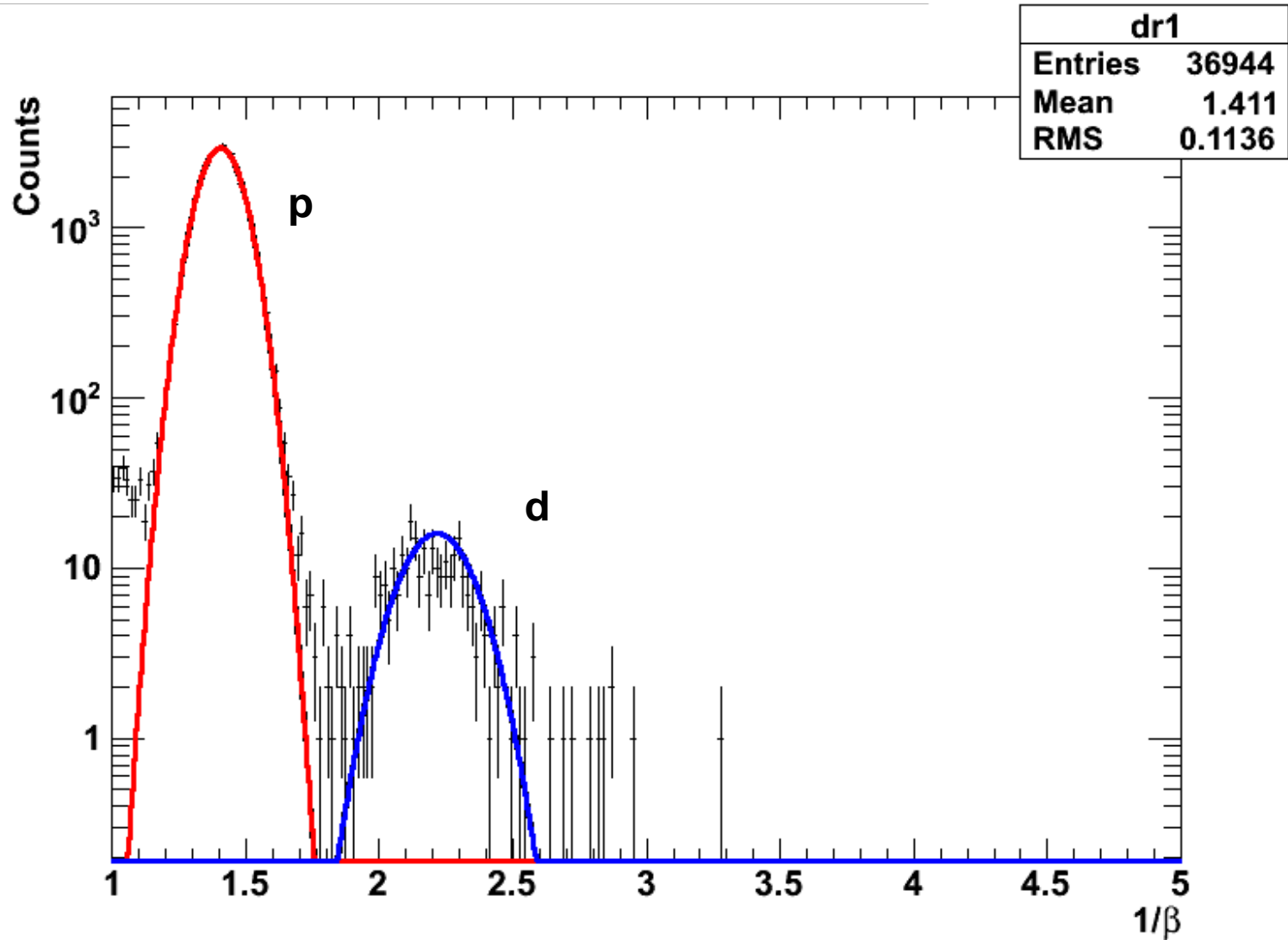
Carbon



Boron



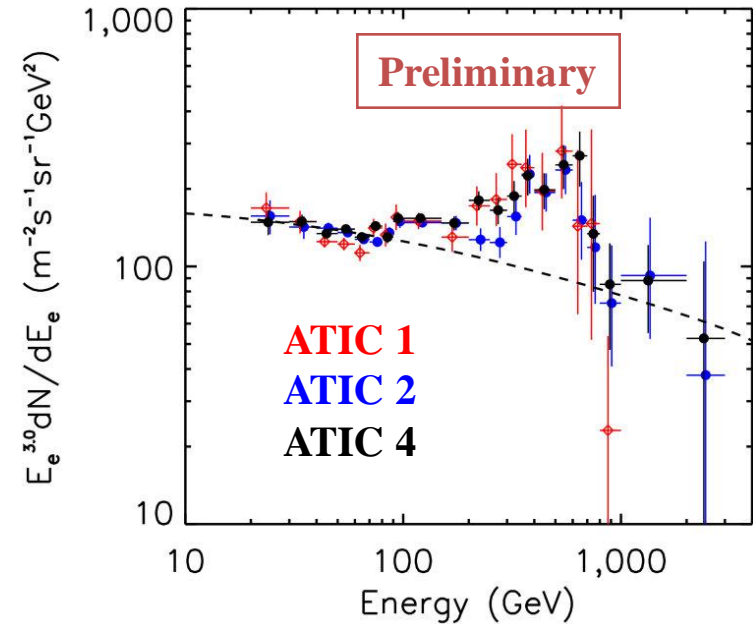
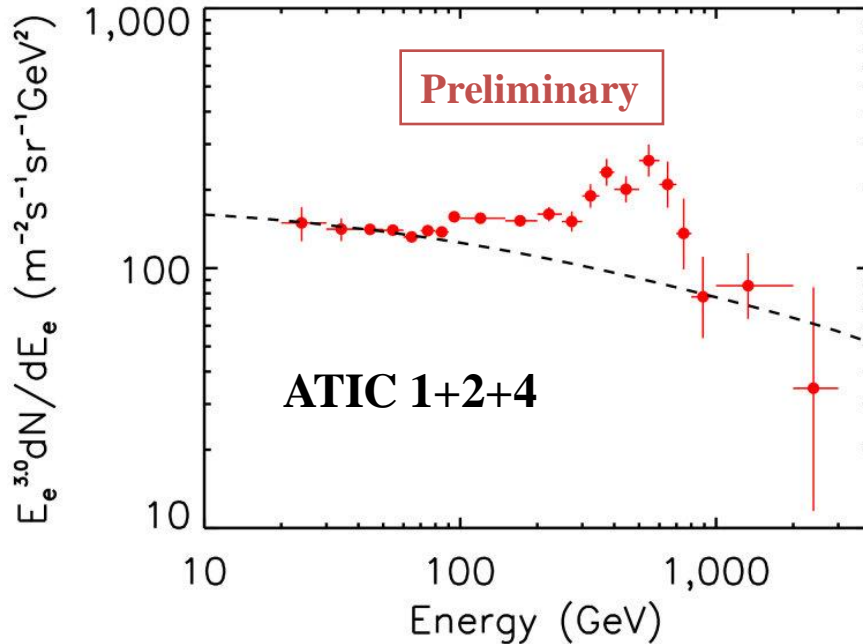
H isotopes separation



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ELECTRONS

All three ATIC flights are consistent



“Source on/source off” significance of bump for ATIC1+2 is about 3.8 sigma

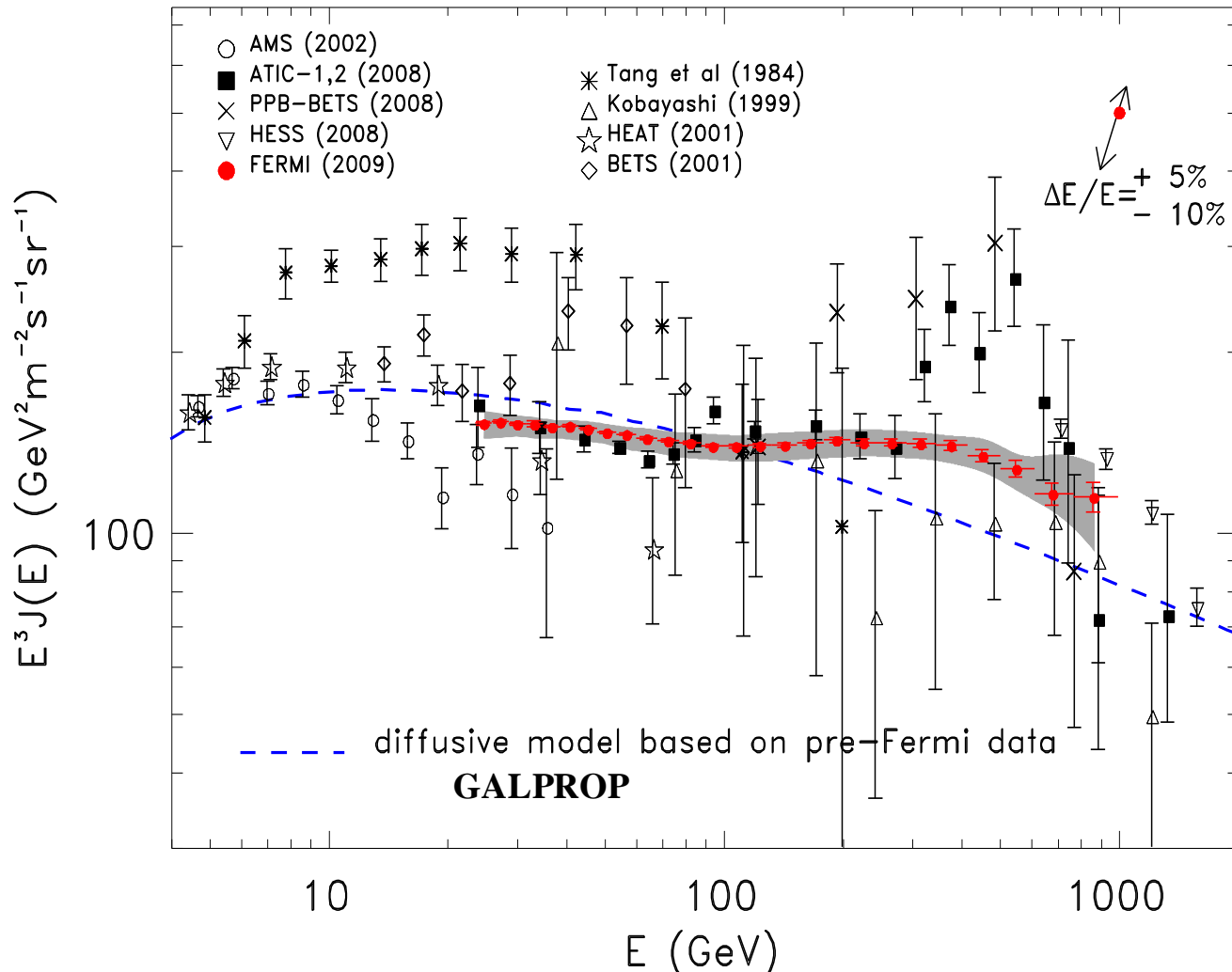
J Chang et al. Nature **456**, 362 (2008)

ATIC-4 with 10 BGO layers has improved e, p separation. (**~4x lower background**)

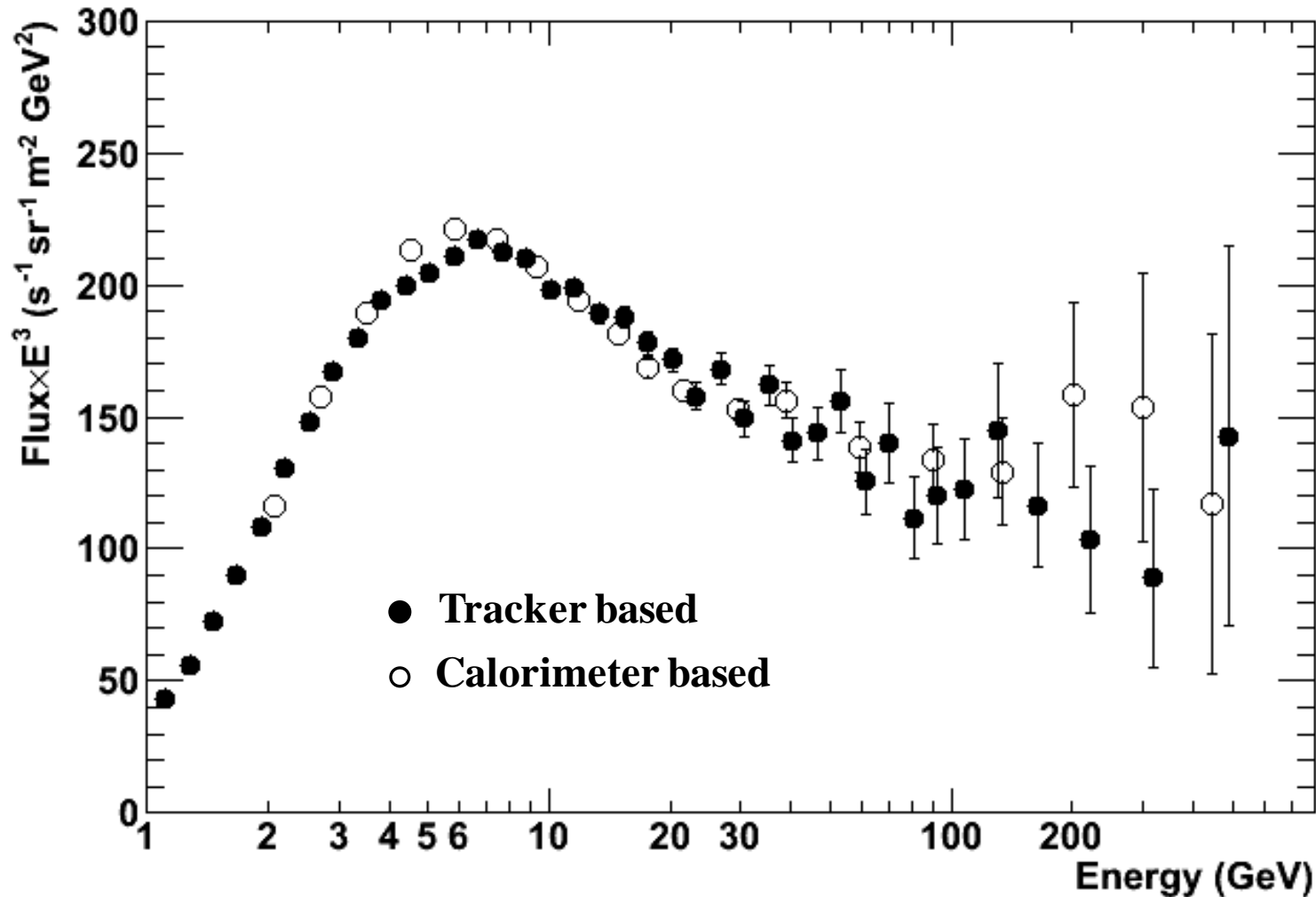
“Bump” is seen in all three flights.

Significance for ATIC1+2+4 is 5.1 sigma

FERMI all Electron Spectrum

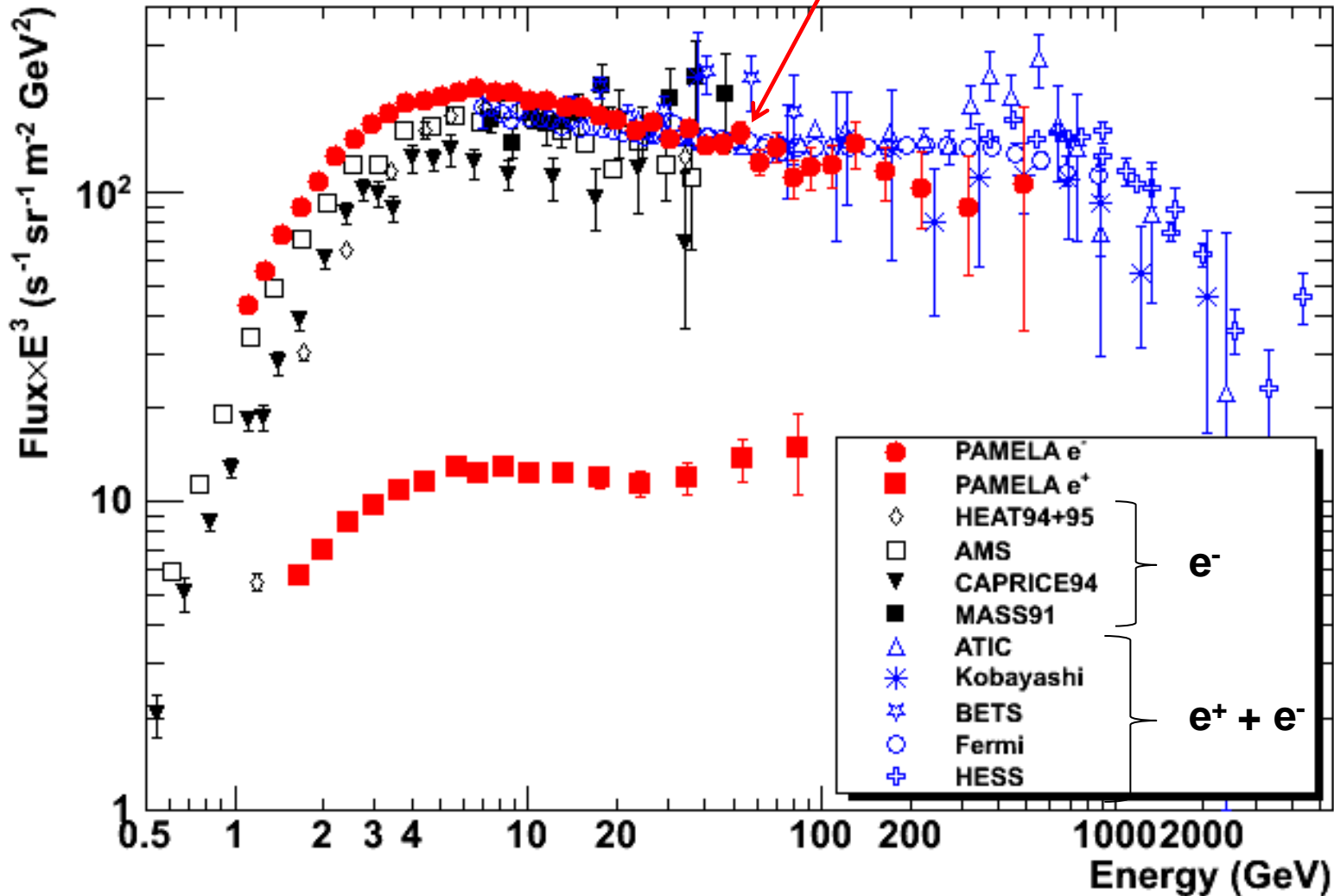


PAMELA electron (e^-) spectrum

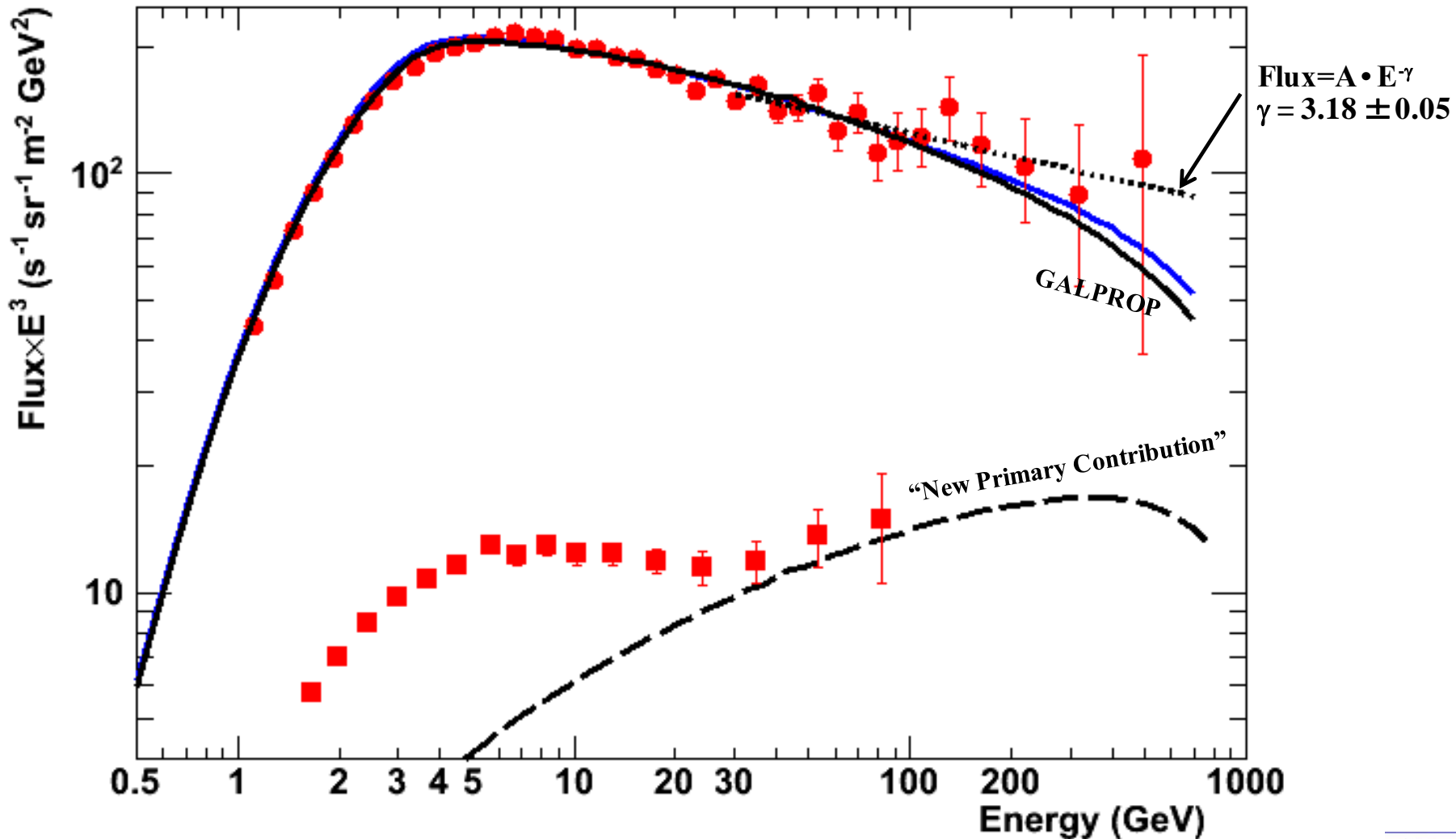


PAMELA e^- and e^+ spectra

$$\text{Flux} = A \cdot E^{-\gamma}$$
$$\gamma = 3.18 \pm 0.05$$

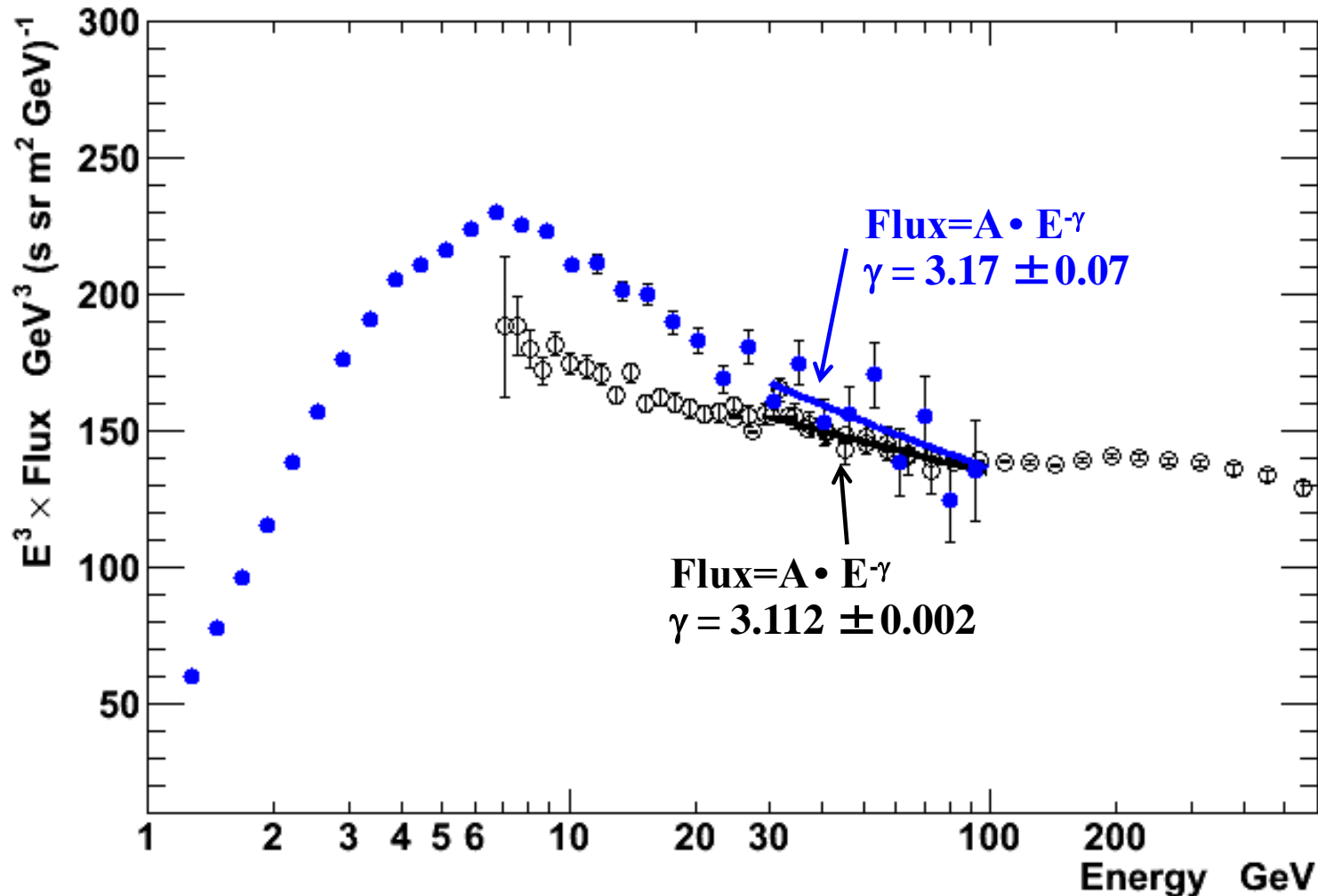


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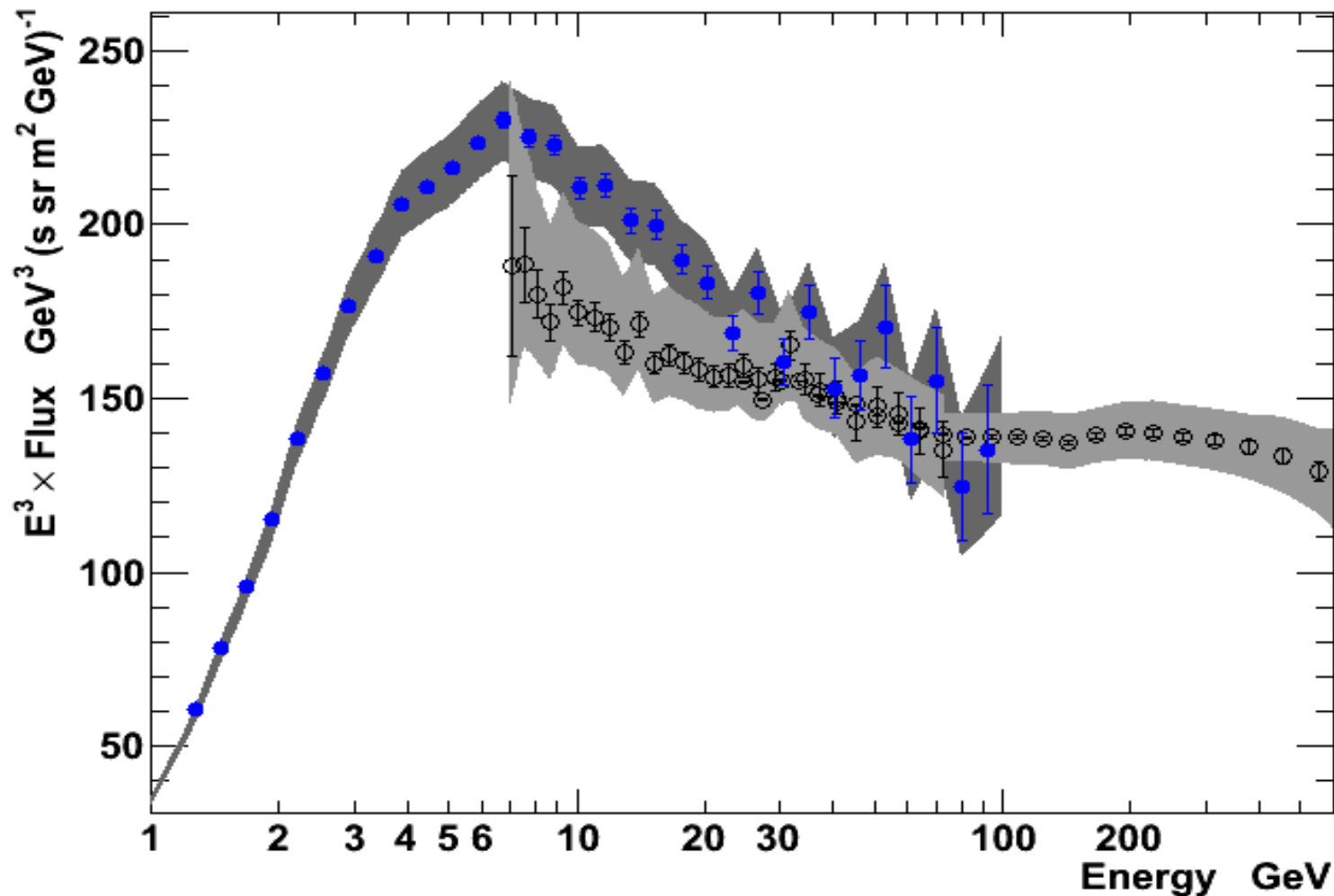


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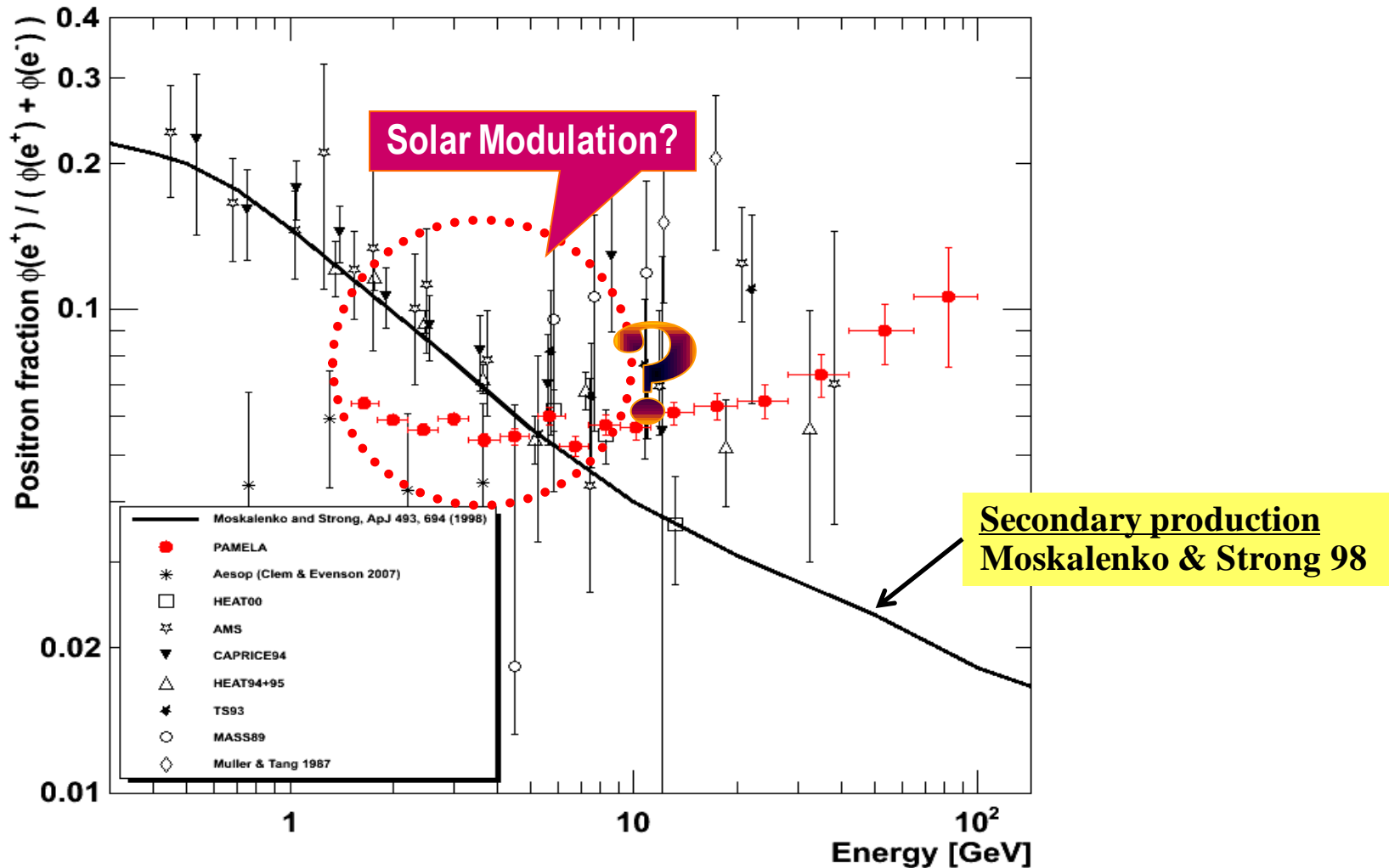
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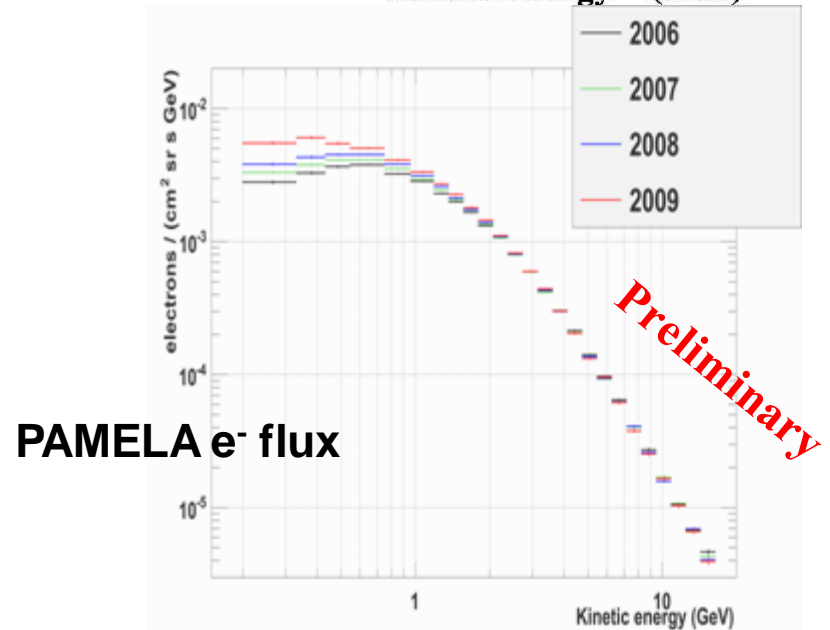
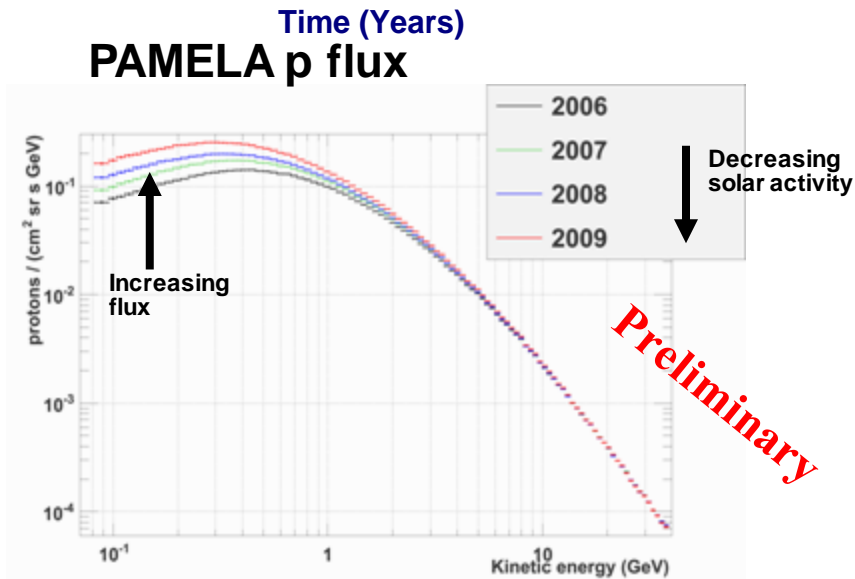
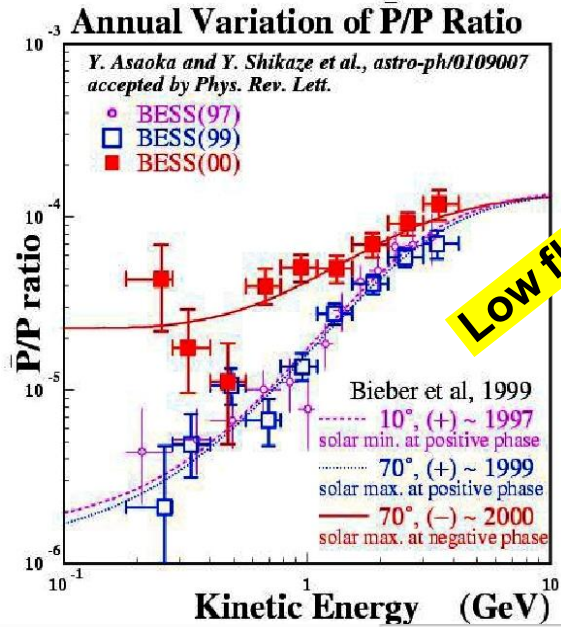
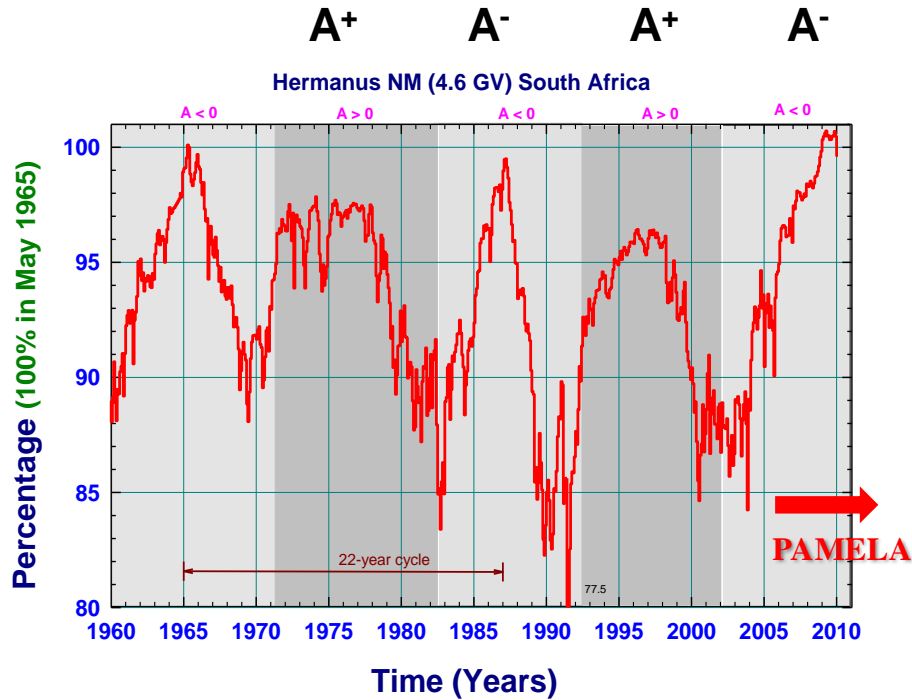


Positron to Electron Fraction



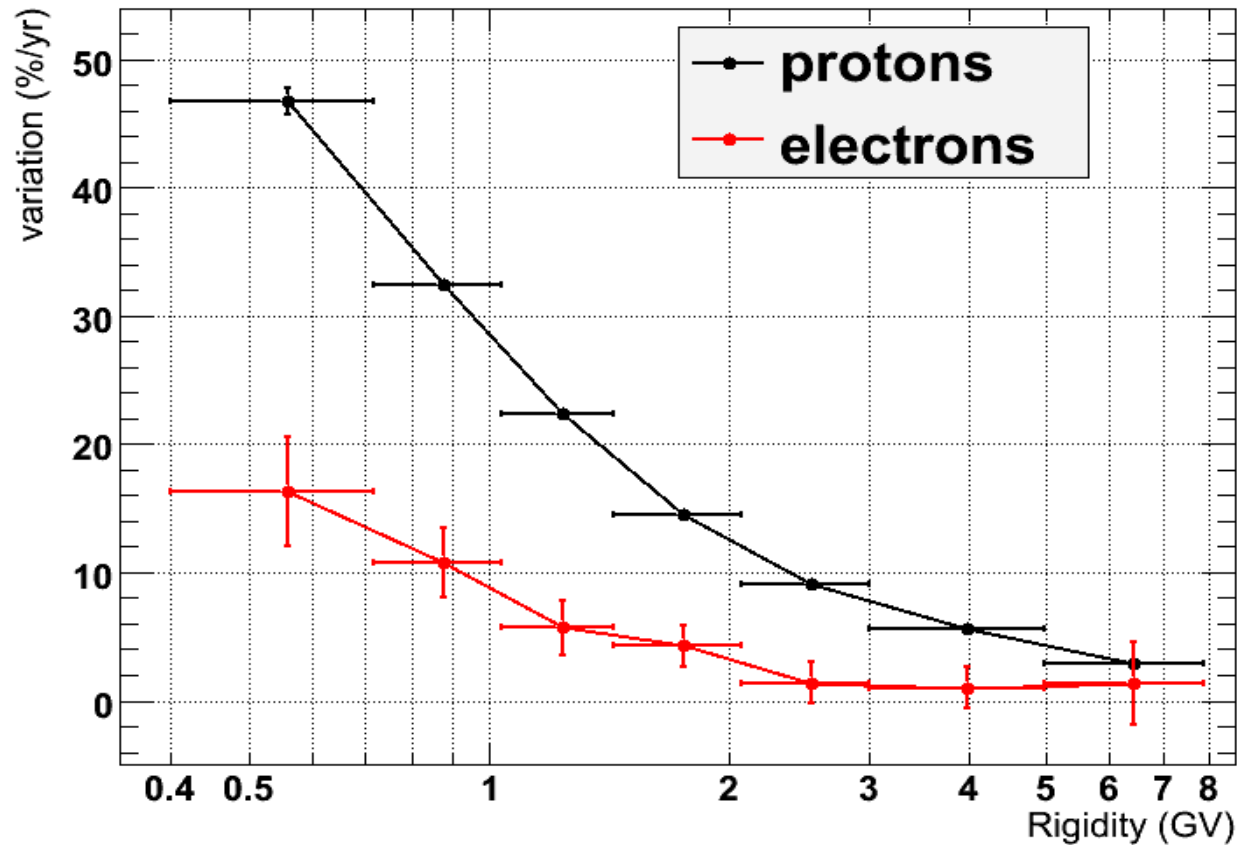
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Solar modulation



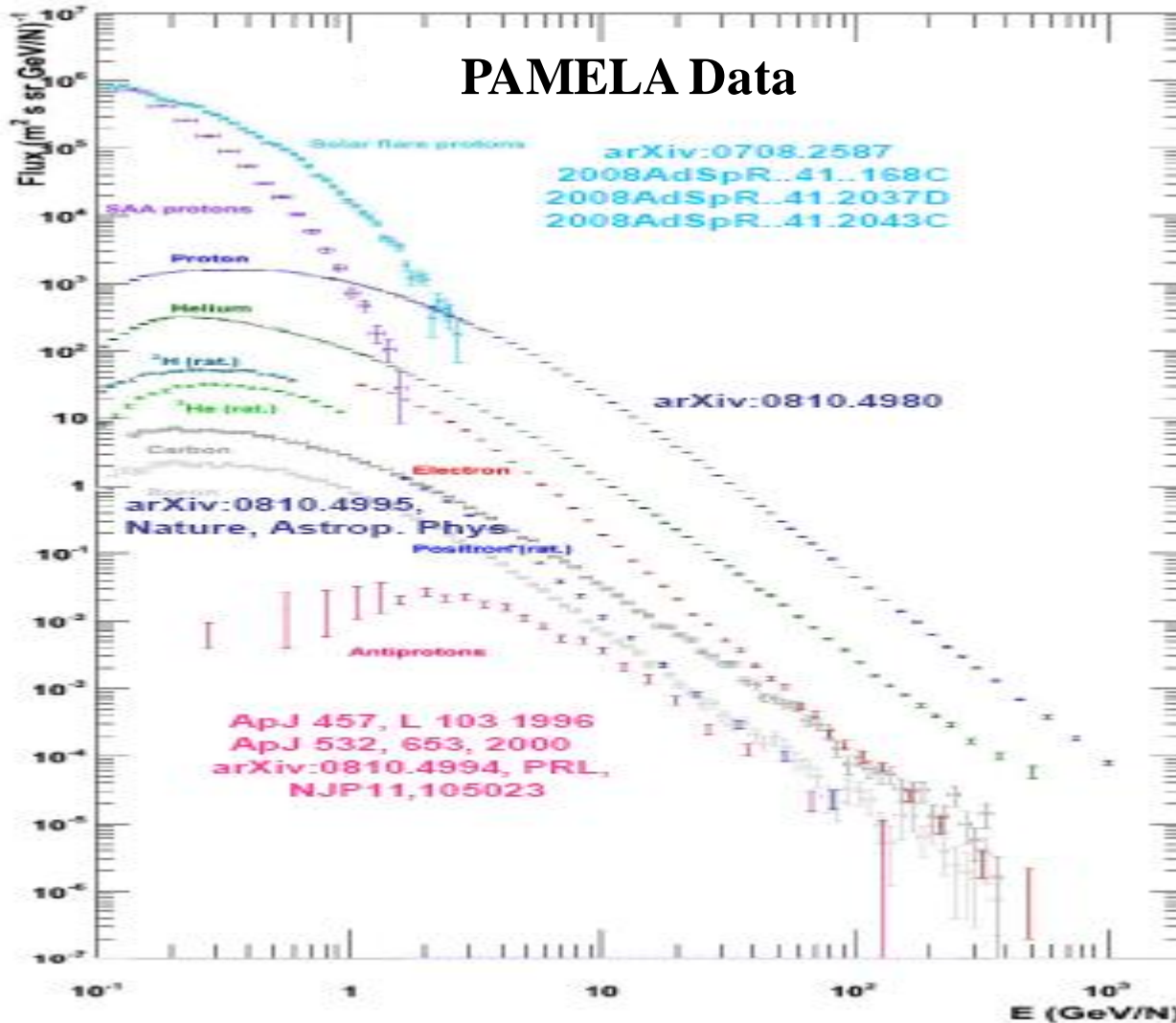
Time Dependence

Preliminary



Increase of the flux measured by PAMELA from July 2006 to December 2008

Summary PAMELA Results



Summary

- PAMELA has been in orbit and studying cosmic rays for 5 years. $>10^9$ triggers registered and >20 TB of data have been down-linked.
- Antiproton-to-proton flux ratio and antiproton energy spectrum (~ 100 MeV - ~ 200 GeV) show no significant deviations from secondary production expectations.
- High energy positron fraction (>10 GeV) increases significantly (and unexpectedly!) with energy. Primary source?
- Analysis ongoing to finalize the antiparticle measurements (positron flux, positron fraction), continuous study of solar modulation effects at low energy.
- Waiting for AMS to compare contemporary measurements.

Thanks!