PRODUCTION OF SECONDARY PARTICLES IN THE GALAXY

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The journey started with the attempt, shared by many, to interpret the e^+ data.

•AMS-02 positron flux measures \rightarrow secondary + primary contribution.

$$q(T_{e^+}) = \sum_{i,j} 4\pi n_{\text{ISM},j} \int dT_i \phi_i(T_i) \frac{d\sigma_{ij}}{dT_{e^+}} (T_i, T_{e^+}) \quad p_+$$

•Previous $d\sigma(p + H \rightarrow e^{\pm} + X)$ predictions affected by factor 2 of uncertainty.



 $\rightarrow e^+ + \nu_e + \bar{\nu}_\mu$ $\longrightarrow e^+ + \nu_e + \pi^0$ $\xrightarrow{K^+ + X} \xrightarrow{\mu^+ + \nu_{\mu}} e^+ + \nu_e + \bar{\nu}_{\mu}$ $\xrightarrow{\mu^+ + \pi^0} e^+ + \nu_e + \bar{\nu}_{\mu}$ $\begin{array}{c} & \stackrel{n}{\longrightarrow} & \stackrel{n}{\longrightarrow$ ·p — $\rightarrow K^- + X$ $\mapsto K_s^0 + X$ $\rightarrow e^+ + \nu_e + \bar{\nu}_\mu$ $\begin{array}{c} & \xrightarrow{\mu^{+} + e^{-} + \bar{\nu}_{e}} \\ & \xrightarrow{\pi^{+} + e^{-} + \bar{\nu}_{e}} \\ & \xrightarrow{\mu^{+} + \mu^{-} + \bar{\nu}_{\mu}} \\ & \xrightarrow{\mu^{+} + \pi^{-} + \pi^{0}} \\ & \xrightarrow{\mu^{+} + \nu_{\mu}} \\ & \xrightarrow{\mu^{+} + \nu_{\mu} + \pi^{-}} \\ & \xrightarrow{\mu^{+} + \nu_{\mu} + \mu^{-}} \\ & \xrightarrow{\mu^{$ $\mapsto K_l^0 + X$ $\longrightarrow e^+ + \nu_e + \pi^ \bar{\Lambda} + X$ $\xrightarrow{\pi^+ + \bar{p}} \xrightarrow{\mu^+ + \nu_{\mu}} e^+ + \nu_e + \bar{\nu}_{\mu}$ $\pi^0 + X$ $\rightarrow e^+ + e^- + \gamma$

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2. Fit to π^+ data





- Total uncertainties between 5 and 10%. \sqrt{s} = 5-50 GeV relevant.
- Integrating the σ_{inv} over the solid angle and combining the result with the π^+ decay, we obtain the $\frac{d\sigma_{ij}}{dT_{e^+}}(T_i, T_{e^+})$ from π^+ .

Experiment	$\sqrt{s} \; [{ m GeV}]$		$\sigma_{ m inv}$	n	Ref.
NA49	17.3	(π^{\pm}, K^{\pm})		-	[67, 76]
ALICE	900	(π^+,K^\pm)		-	[77]
CMS	900, 2760, 7000, 13000	(π^{\pm},K^{\pm})		-	[78, 79]
Antinucci	3.0, 3.5, 4.9, 5.0, 6.1, 6.8	(π^{\pm})	-	\checkmark	[80]
	2.8, 3.0, 3.2, 5.3, 6.1, 6.8	(K^+)	-	\checkmark	[80]
	4.9,5.0,6.1,6.8	(K^{-})	-	\checkmark	[80]
NA61/SHINE	6.3, 7.7, 8.8, 12.3, 17.3	(π^{\pm}, K^{\pm})	-		[68]

3. Other channels

We also have to consider the π^+ created from weak decays of strange particles and not included in π^+ dataset, that are:

- K^{\pm} : fit on available data.
- K_S^0 : fit on available data.
- K_L^0 : rescaled contribution from K_S^0 .
- $\overline{\Lambda}$, Σ and Ξ : rescaled contribution from the Λ .

In the end we also consider the contribution from π^0 to the e^+ yield by multiplying the charged pions cross sections by a normalization factor connected to the multiplicity of π^+ , π^0 .



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4. Results on the e^+ production cross section

- The π^+ channel dominates the total cross section, being about 10 times higher than the K^+ channel.
- Positron production from K_S^0 , K_L^0 , and subdominant channels are all contributing at a few % level.
- The main comment to these results is the smallness of the uncertainty with which we determine $d\sigma/dT_{e^+}$. At 1σ the uncertainty band around the best fit is 5% to 8% at all T_p energies.



In the Galaxy, nuclei interactions (p + A, A + p, and A + A) give a significant contribution to the production of secondary particles. We use the data of NA49 for the production of π^+ in p+C collisions at \sqrt{s} =17.3 GeV and NA61 data at \sqrt{s} =7.7 GeV for the other channels.

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4. Results on the e^+ production cross section

- The q(E) is predicted with a remarkably small uncertainty, ranging from 5% to 8% depending on the energy.
- The channels involving He, both projectile and target, constitute 30-40% of the total spectrum depending on the positron energy.
- The heavier primary CNO nuclei contribute a non negligible few percent at the AMS-02 energies.



• Including all the production and decay channels, the total $d\sigma/dT_{e^{\pm}}(i+j \rightarrow e^{\pm}+X)$ is predicted from 10 MeV up to tens of TeV of e^{\pm} energy (<u>https://github.com/lucaorusa/</u> positron_electron_cross_section).

• Future measurements of pion production in the p+He could help to improve the predictions for nuclei channels.

5. Diffuse γ -ray emission

Most of the γ rays detected by Fermi-LAT are produced by the Galactic insterstellar emission.

• γ -ray production cross section $\sigma(p + p \rightarrow \gamma + X)$ are needed.

- •Uncertainties comparable or greater than the Fermi-LAT statistical errors undermine the study of the Galactic interstellar emission.
- •Galactic Center: a significant excess of γ -ray has been observed and discussed controversially.





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6. Results on the γ -ray production cross section

- The π^0 channel dominates the total cross π section, with final uncertainty spans from 6% to 20% at different T_p and E_{γ} (https://github.com/ lucaorusa/gamma_cross_section).
- New data from colliders are needed: Lorenz invariant cross section for π^0 productions (pT < 1 GeV, in \sqrt{s} = 5-50 GeV). Same for He target. Even better data with the inclusive γ -ray production cross section.

 $T_p = 10 \text{ GeV}$

 E_{v} [GeV]

100

 10^{-1}



100

 E_{γ} [GeV]

 10^{-1}

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10³

10²

10¹

 10^{0}

 10^{-1}

 10^{-2}

 10^{-3} 0.4

0.2

0.0

-0.4 10⁻²

-0.2

da/dE_y [mb/GeV]

unc.

Rel.

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7. Antiprotons



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8. Results on the antiproton production cross section

- $\bullet p + p \to \bar{n} + X \to \bar{p} + Y$ usually taken equal to $p + p \to \bar{p} + Y$
- •NA49 found an isospin asymmetry at of 20-30% at $x_F=0$.
- •Hyperons usually taken as a rescaling of the prompt channel (30-40%) and uncertainty of 20-30%.
- •The first and most important point is a measurement of \bar{n} .
- •Uncertainties for the prompt $p + p \rightarrow \bar{p} + X$ and $p + p \rightarrow \bar{n} + X$ should reach the level of 5% (similar for the Helium part).







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$$\sigma_{\text{inv}} = \sigma_0(s) c_1 \left[F_p(s, p_T, x_R) + F_r(p_T, x_R) \right] A(s)$$

$$F_p(s, p_T, x_R) = (1 - x_R)^{c_2} \exp(-c_3 x_R) p_T^{c_4} \times \exp\left[-c_5 \sqrt{s/s_0}^{c_6} \left(\sqrt{p_T^2 + m_\pi^2} - m_\pi \right)^{c_7 \sqrt{s/s_0}^{c_6}} \right]$$

$$F_r(p_T, x_R) = (1 - x_R)^{c_8} \times \exp\left[-c_9 p_T - \left(\frac{|p_T - c_{10}|}{c_{11}} \right)^{c_{12}} \right] \times \left[c_{13} \exp(-c_{14} p_T^{c_{15}} x_R) + c_{16} \exp\left(- \left(\frac{|x_R - c_{17}|}{c_{18}} \right)^{c_{19}} \right) \right]$$

$$A(s) = \frac{1 + \left(\sqrt{s/c_{20}} \right)^{c_{21} - c_{22}}}{1 + \left(\sqrt{s_0/c_{20}} \right)^{c_{21} - c_{22}}} \left(\sqrt{\frac{s}{s_0}} \right)^{c_{22}}$$

	π^+	π^-	K^+	K^{-}
$\chi^2_{ m NA49}/ m d.o.f.$	338/263	287/290.	146/151	197/151
$\chi^2_n/{ m d.o.f.}$	189/129	169/96	160/102	135/100
$\chi^2_{ m ALICE}$	77(33)	-	42(27)	36(27)
$\chi^2_{ m CMS}$	100 (88)	154 (88)	77~(68)	54~(68)
$\chi^2_{ m NA61,Antinucci}$	10(12)	15(12)	39(11)	44(9)
$\chi^2_{ m tot}/ m d.o.f.$	527/392	456/386	306/253	332/251

- The uncertainties are about 5% for almost all $T_{e^{+.}}$
- The relative uncertainty increases above 20% when approaching the maximum energy, that has a negligible impact on the final uncertainty.
- The results of this Section already hint at the final result. The by far dominant contribution of e^+ production in p + p collisions comes from π^+ .

























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•NA49 found an isospin asymmetry at of 20-30%.

- •This is the main source of uncertainty in antiproton production cross sections.
- •On a Monte Carlo point of view Pythia produce same amount of \bar{n} and \bar{p} while others (Herwig) a different amount.
- •The first and most important point is a measurement of \bar{n} .
- •Uncertainties for the prompt $p + p \rightarrow \overline{p} + X$ and $p + p \rightarrow \overline{n} + X$ should reach the level of 5% (similar for the Helium part).



- Hyperons usually taken as a rescaling of the prompt channel (30-40%) and uncertainty of 20-30%.
- •This contribution has an uncertainty of about 20-30% (subdominant uncertainty of about 5-10%).
- •New measurements from NA61 and LHCb.
- •GAPS will measure with the best sensitivity ever the antiproton cosmic flux below 1 GeV of kinetic energy.
- This energy range is very important for understanding the CR propagation and solar modulation effects.



Charged particles (nuclei, isotopes, leptons, antiparticles) diffusing in the galactic magnetic field

- Observed at Earth with E~ 10 MeV/n 103 TeV/n
- •PRIMARIES: directly produced in their sources (Supernova remnants (SNR), pulsars, dark matter annihilation, ...)
- •SECONDARIES: produced by spallation reactions of primaries on the interstellar medium (ISM), made of H and He

ACCELERATION

 SNR are considered the powerhouses for CRs (They can accelerate particles at least up to 102 TeV)

PROPAGATION

- •CRs are diffused in the Galaxy galactic magnetic field (µG)
- Primaries: produced in the sources (SNR and Pulsars)
- •H, He, CNO, Fe; e-, e+; possibly e+, p-, d- from Dark Matter annihilation
- •Secondaries: produced by spallation of primary CRs (p, He,C, O, Fe) on the interstellar medium (ISM): Li, Be, B, sub-Fe, [...], (radioactive) isotopes ; e+, p-, d-

- •Diffusion: D(x,R) a priori usually assumed isotropic in the Galaxy: $D(R) = D_0 R^{\delta}$ (R=pc/Ze)
- $\bullet D_0$ and δ usually fixed by B/C
- •Energy losses: Synchrotron on the galactic B; full relativistic inverse Compton scattering on photon fields (stellar, CMB, UV, IR)
- •Solution of the eq: semi-analytic (Maurin+ 2001, Donato+ 2004, ...), USINE codes or fully numerical: GALPROP, DRAGON codes
- •Geometry of the Galaxy: cylinder with height L \sim kpc
- •Fragmentation cross section uncertainties currently prevent a better understanding of CR propagation.
- •They matter in both directions: as a loss term for progenitors, as a source term for daughters

$$\begin{split} \frac{\partial \psi_i(\boldsymbol{x}, p, t)}{\partial t} &= q_i(\boldsymbol{x}, p) + \boldsymbol{\nabla} \cdot \left(D_{xx} \boldsymbol{\nabla} \psi_i - \boldsymbol{V} \psi_i \right) \\ &+ \frac{\partial}{\partial p} p^2 D_{pp} \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \frac{1}{p^2} \psi_i - \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \left(\frac{\mathrm{d}p}{\mathrm{d}t} \psi_i - \frac{p}{3} (\boldsymbol{\nabla} \cdot \boldsymbol{V}) \psi_i \right) - \frac{1}{\tau_{f,i}} \psi_i - \frac{1}{\tau_{r,i}} \psi_i. \end{split}$$

•Among all cosmic rays, secondaries are the most interesting for DM searches.

•In particular antiprotons, positrons, gamma rays and neutrinos are the most studied. Antinuclei are also considered because the DM production should exceed the secondary one at low energy.



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