

PRODUCTION CROSS SECTIONS OF e^{\pm} AND γ RAYS

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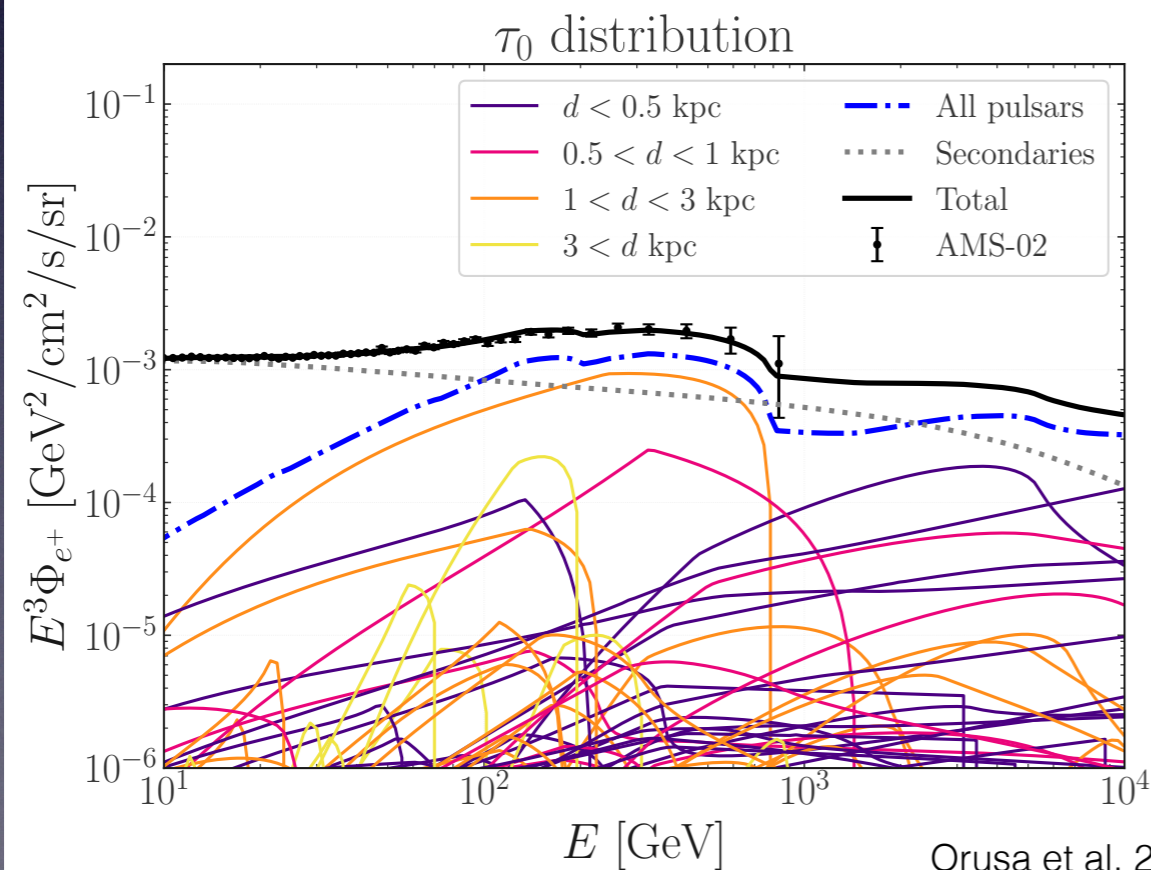
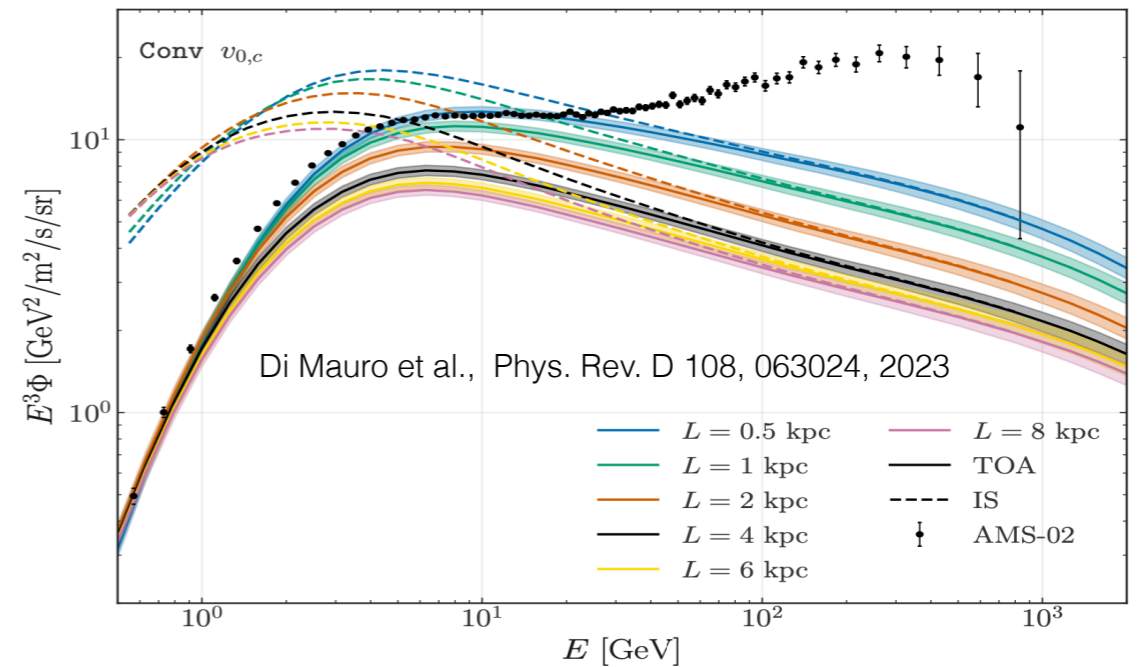
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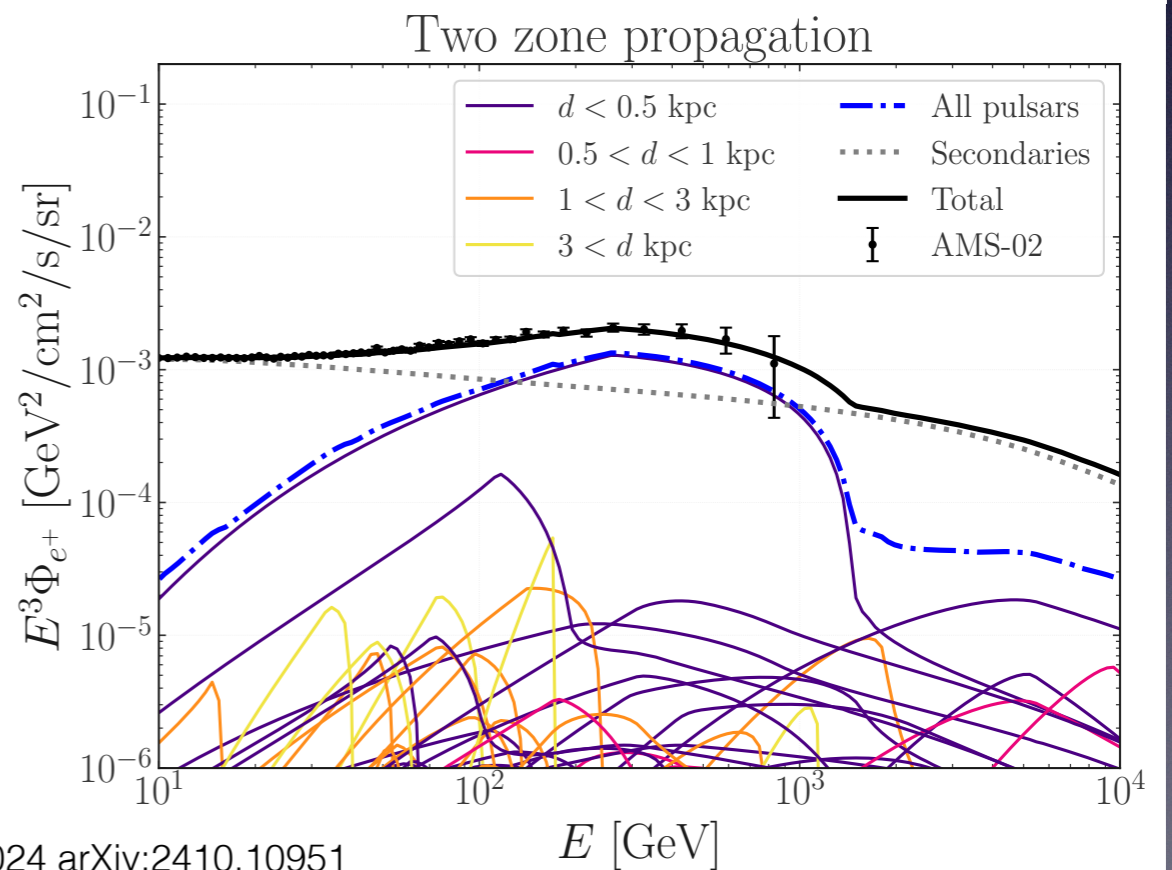
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The positron excess (Orusa et al. 2024 arXiv:2410.10951)

- AMS-02 e^+ flux measurements \rightarrow secondary + primary contribution.
- Pulsars as sources of cosmic-ray e^\pm .



Orusa et al. 2024 arXiv:2410.10951



Secondary positrons

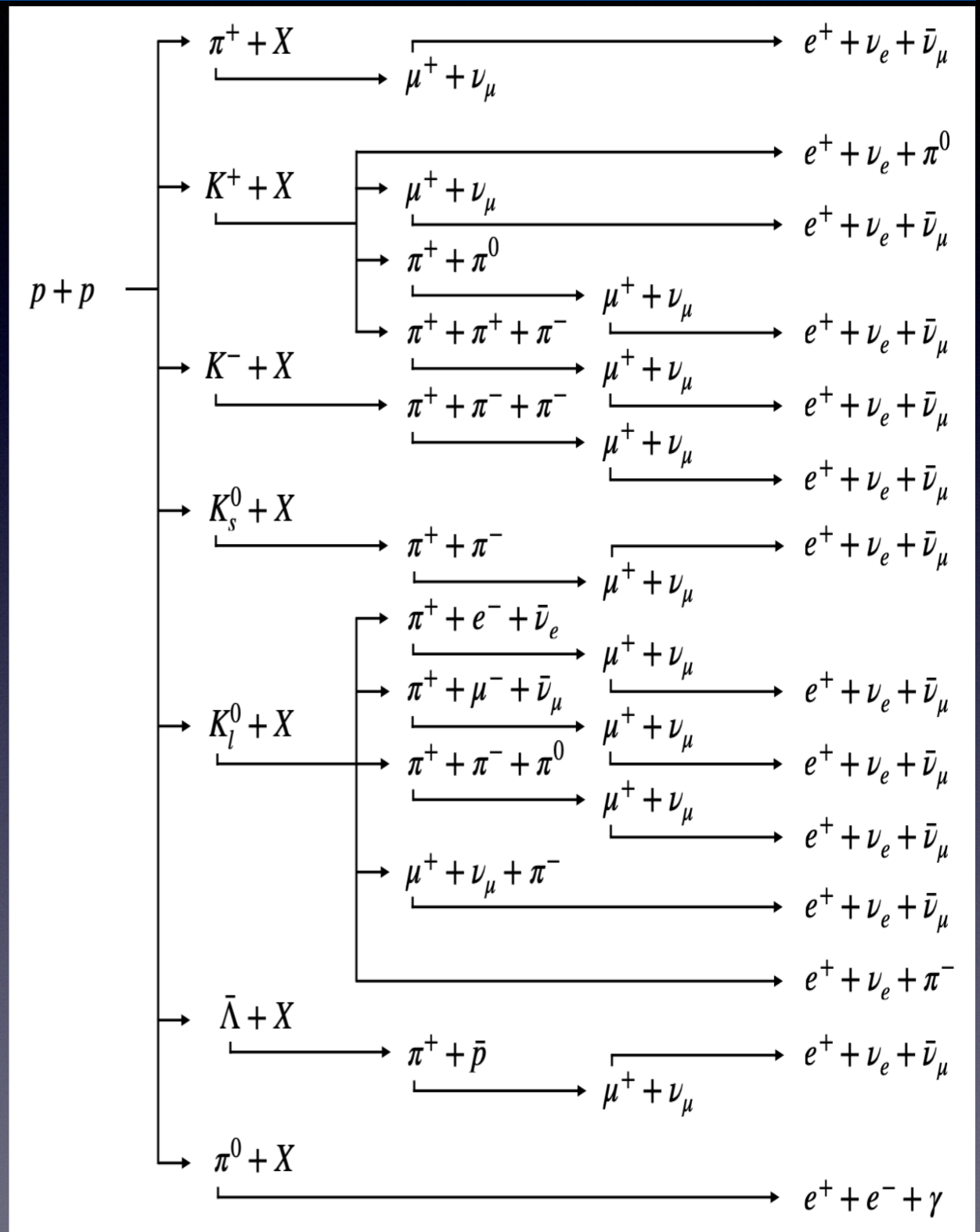
- Secondary contribution:

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

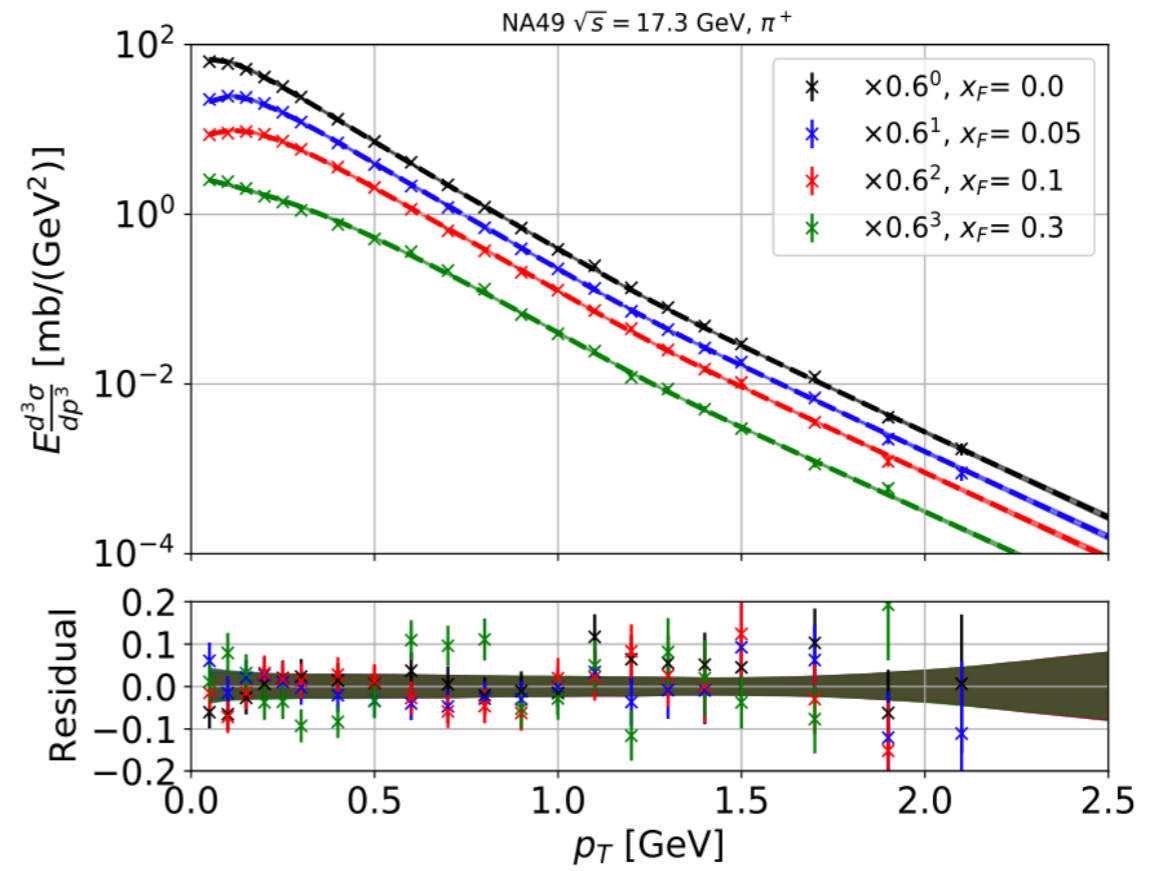
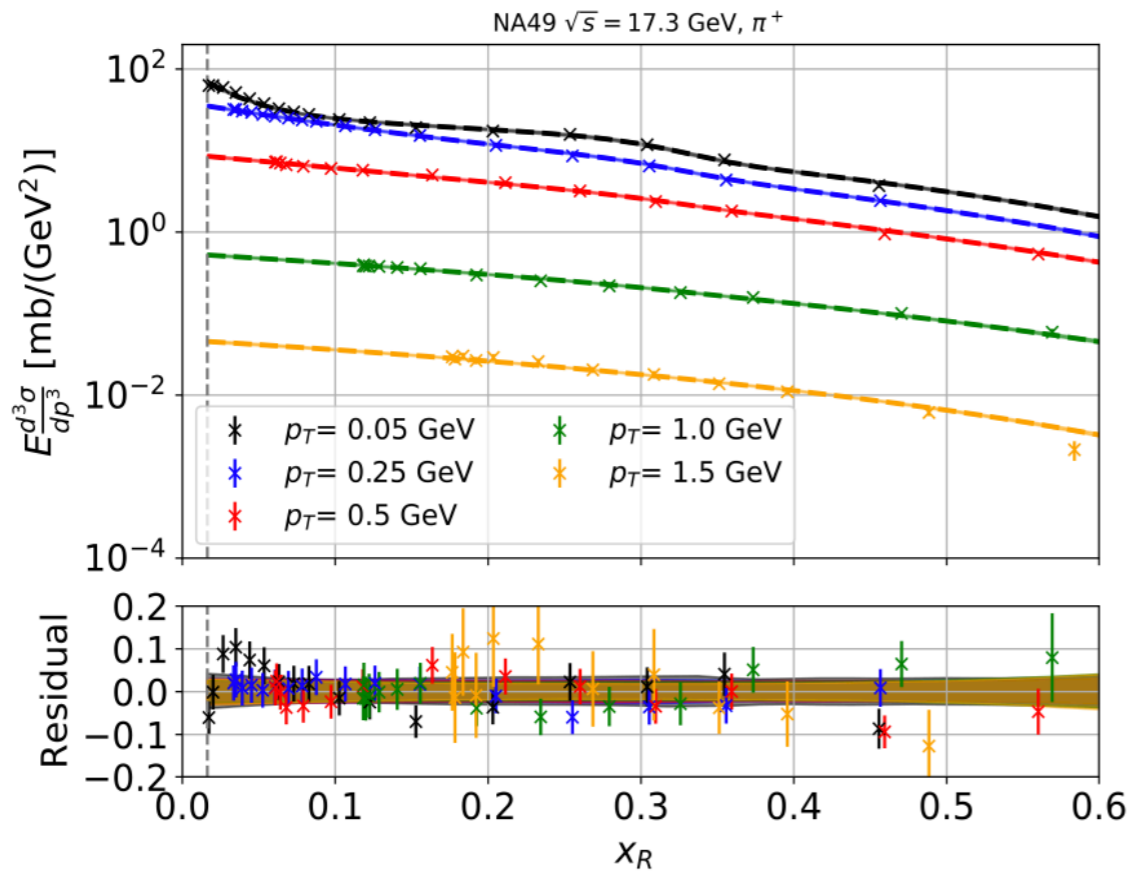
- Scattering of a relativistic cosmic ray nucleus i colliding with an interstellar nucleus j at rest:

$$\sigma_{\text{inv}}^{(ij)} = E_{\pi^\pm} \frac{d^3\sigma_{ij}}{dp_{\pi^\pm}^3}(\sqrt{s}, p_T, x_R)$$

- $d\sigma(p + H \rightarrow e^\pm + X)$ former predictions affected by a factor 2 of uncertainty.



Fit to π^+ data



- Total uncertainties between 5 and 10%. $\sqrt{s} = 5-50$ GeV relevant.

- Integrating 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^+ .

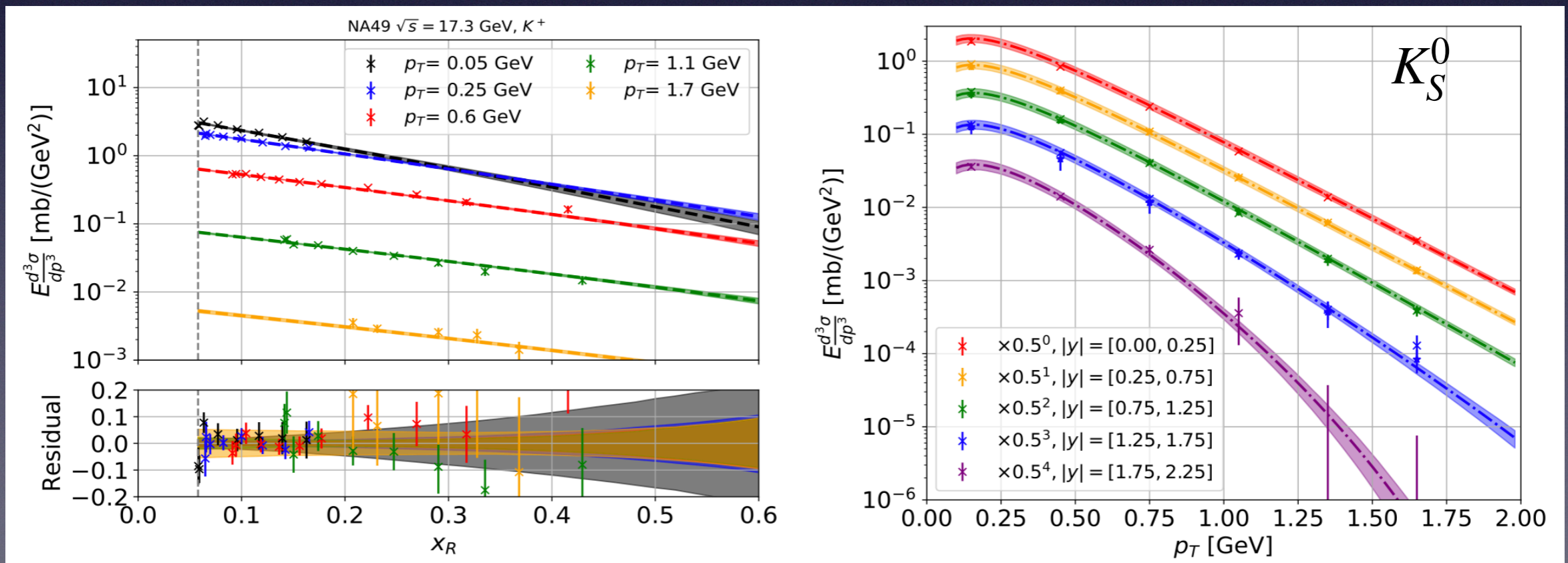
Experiment	\sqrt{s} [GeV]		σ_{inv}	n	Ref.
NA49	17.3	(π^\pm, K^\pm)	✓	-	[67, 76]
ALICE	900	(π^+, K^\pm)	✓	-	[77]
CMS	900, 2760, 7000, 13000	(π^\pm, K^\pm)	✓	-	[78, 79]
Antinucci	3.0, 3.5, 4.9, 5.0, 6.1, 6.8	(π^\pm)	-	✓	[80]
		(K^+)	-	✓	[80]
		(K^-)	-	✓	[80]
NA61/SHINE	6.3, 7.7, 8.8, 12.3, 17.3	(π^\pm,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

Other channels

We consider the π^+ created from weak decays of strange particles:

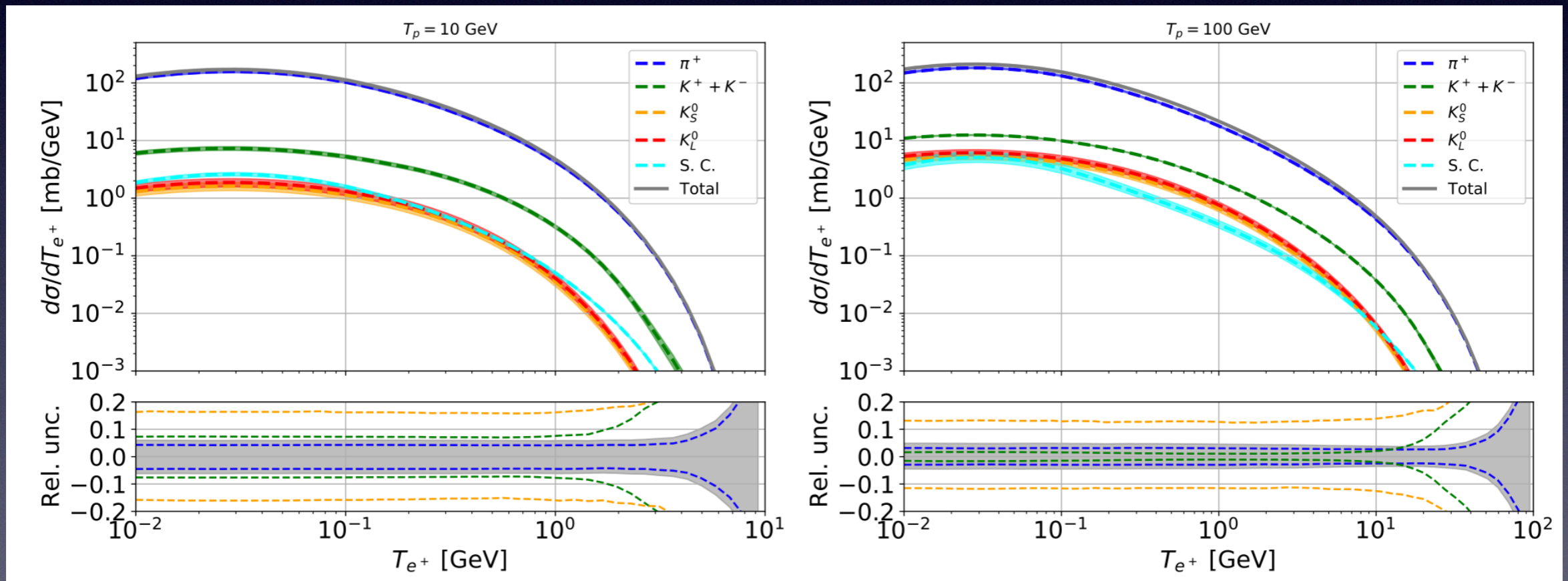
- K^\pm, K_S^0 : fit on available data.
- K_L^0 : rescaled contribution from K_S^0 .
- $\bar{\Lambda}, \Sigma$ and Ξ : rescaled contribution from the Λ .

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



Results on the e^+ production cross section

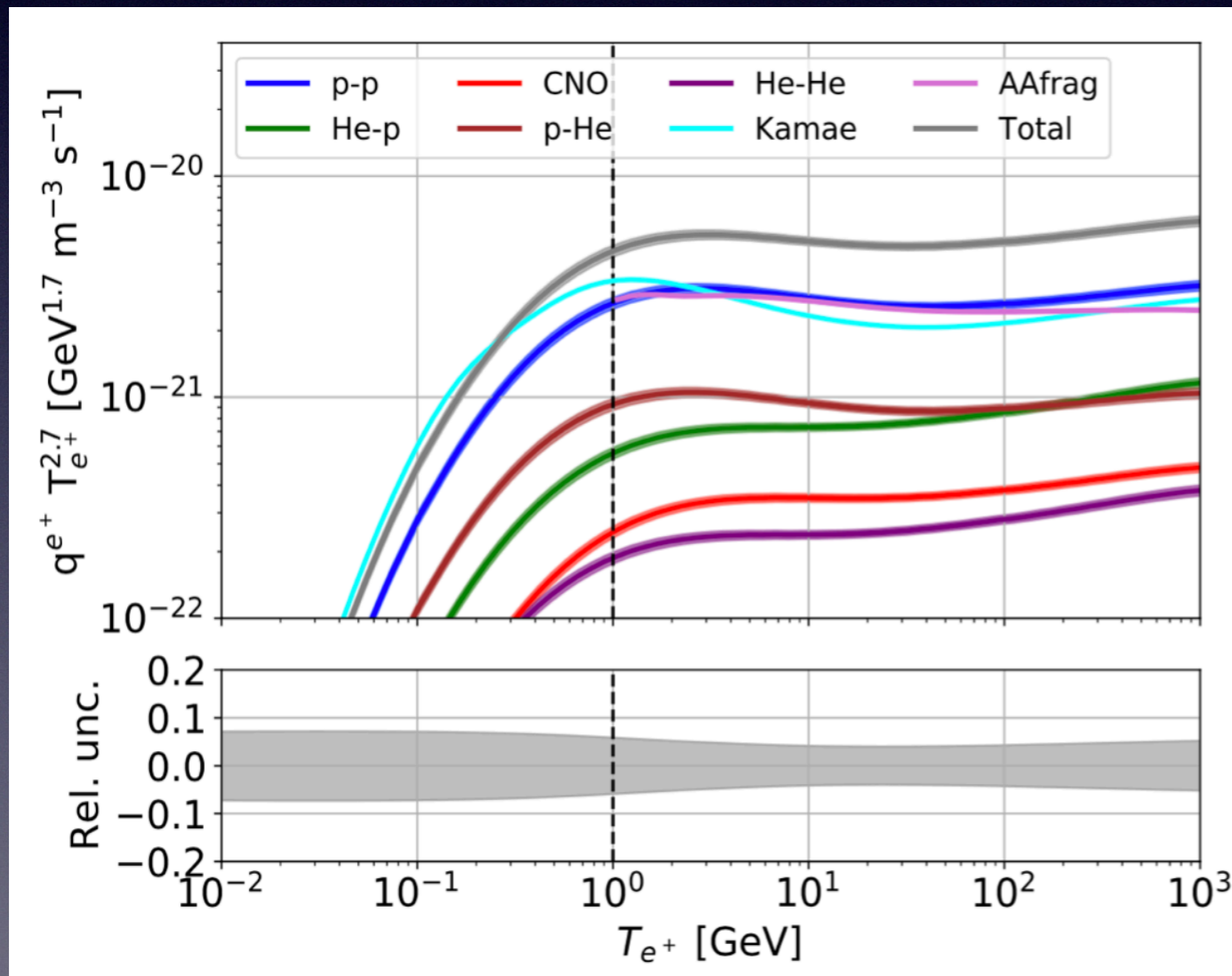
- The π^+ channel dominates the total cross section (10 times higher than the K^+ channel).
- e^+ production from K_S^0 , K_L^0 , and subdominant channels contributes at a few % level.
- $d\sigma/dT_{e^+}$ uncertainty: at 1σ is 5% to 8% at all T_p energies.



- Secondary e^+ are produced in nuclei interactions ($p + A$, $A + p$, and $A + A$).
- We use data from NA49 for $p + C \rightarrow \pi^+ + X$ and NA61 for the other channels.

Results on the e^+ production cross section

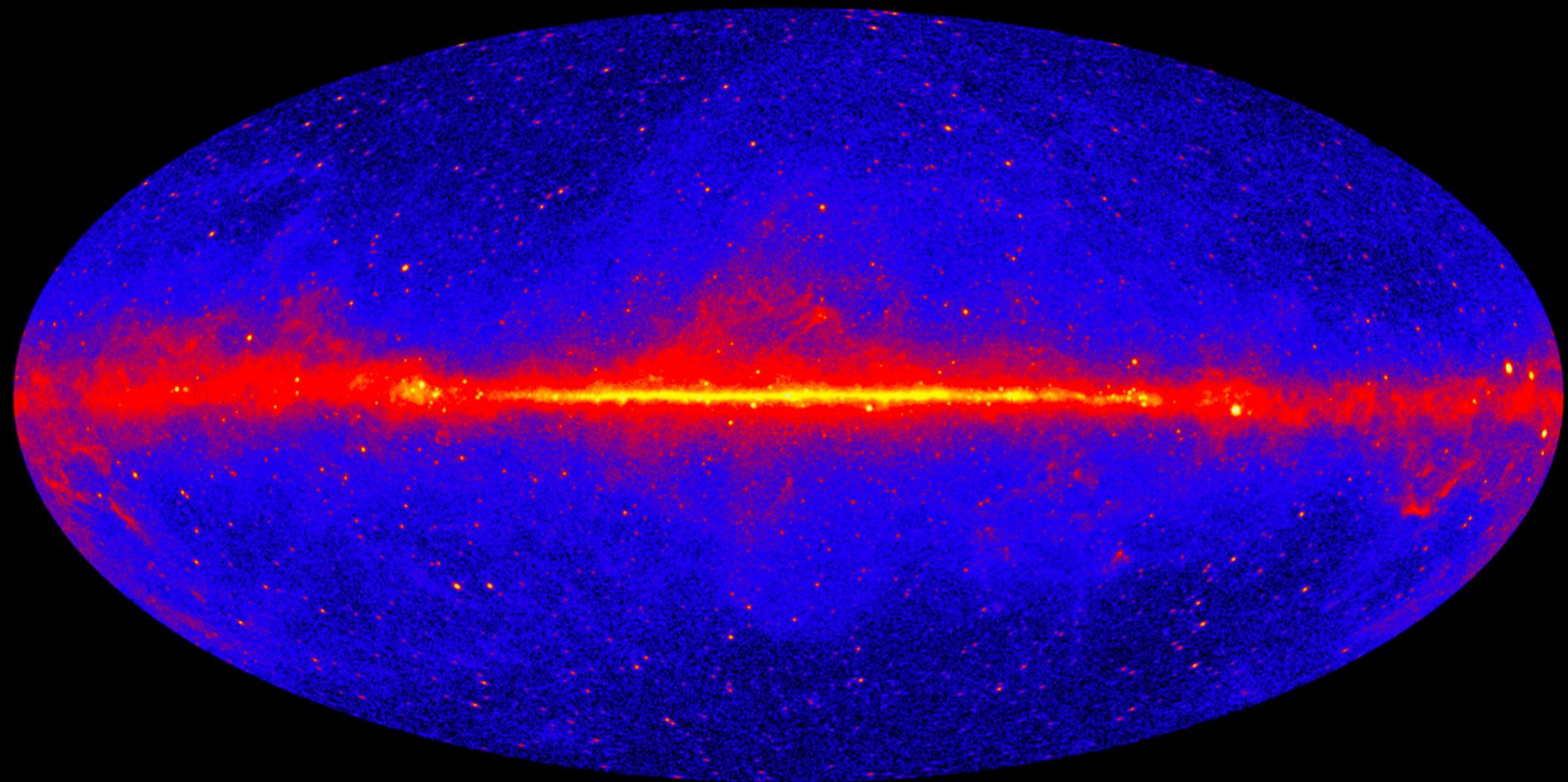
- The $q(E)$ is predicted with a remarkably small uncertainty, ranging from 5% to 8%.
- The channels involving He, constitute 30-40% of the total spectrum.
- The heavier primary CNO nuclei contribute a non negligible few percent at the AMS-02 energies.



- Similar analysis performed for e^- with similar conclusions.
- Future measurements of pion production in the $p + \text{He}$ could help to improve the predictions for nuclei channels.
- For Monte Carlo predictions, see talk by De la Torre Luque (tomorrow).

Diffuse γ -ray emission

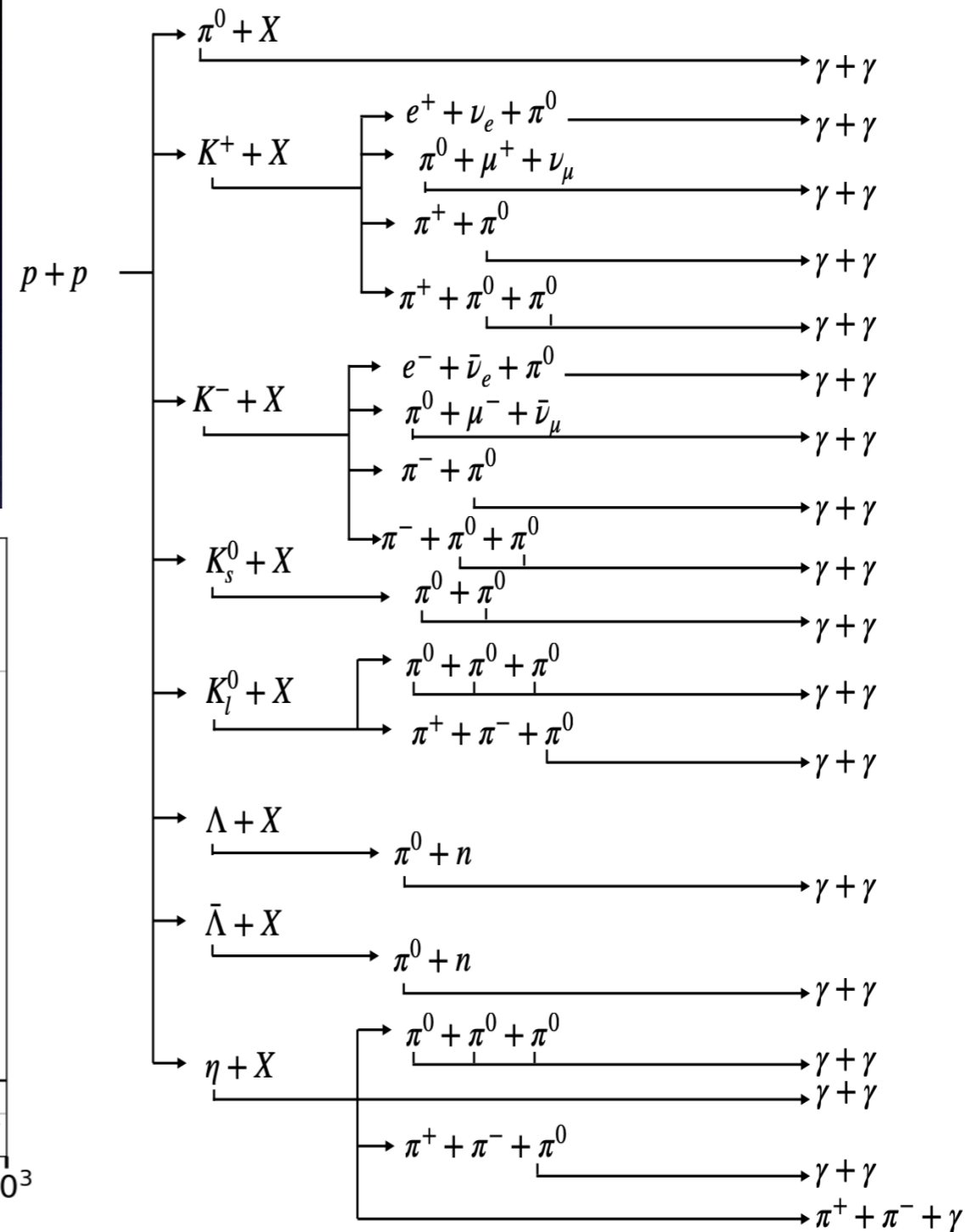
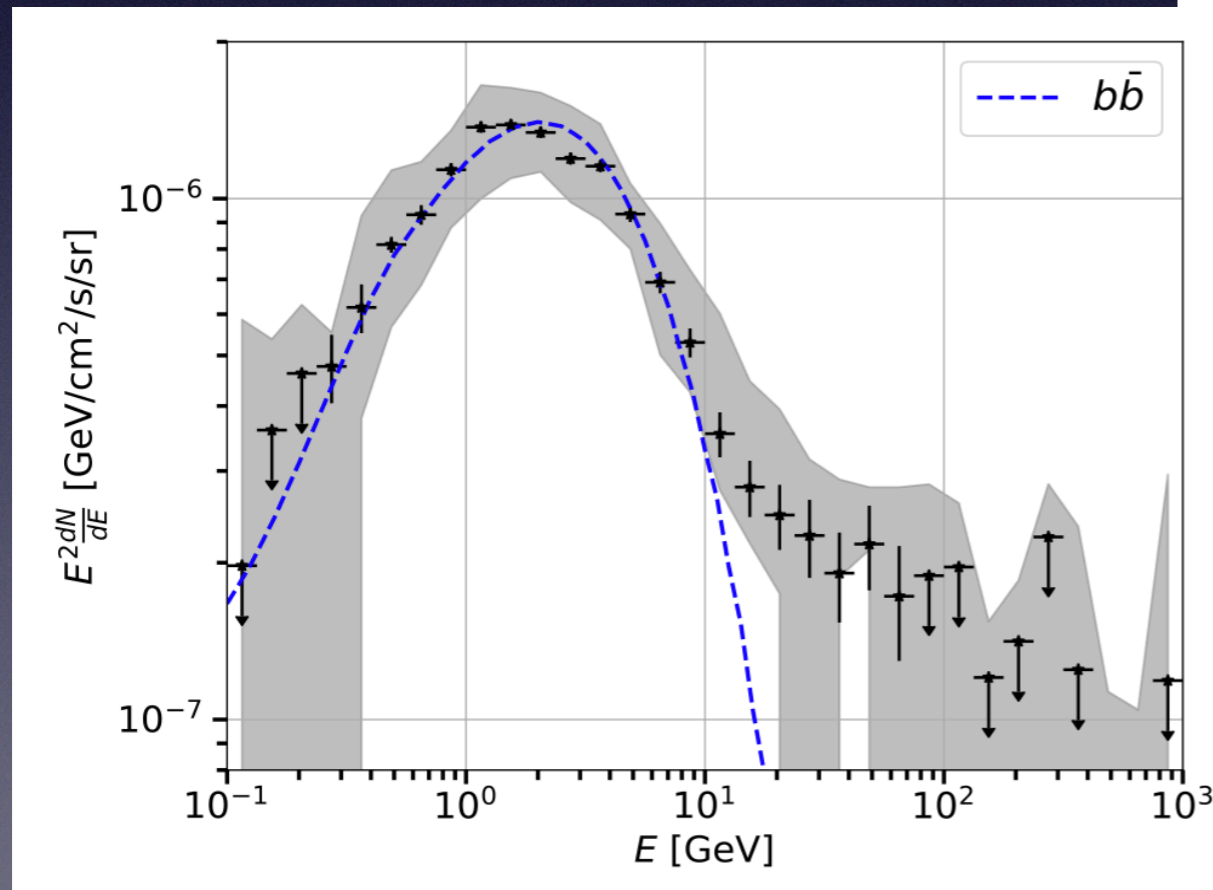
- Most of the γ rays detected by Fermi-LAT are produced by the Galactic diffuse emission.
- It originates from the interaction of CRs with interstellar gas and radiation fields within our own Galaxy.



<https://svs.gsfc.nasa.gov/14090>

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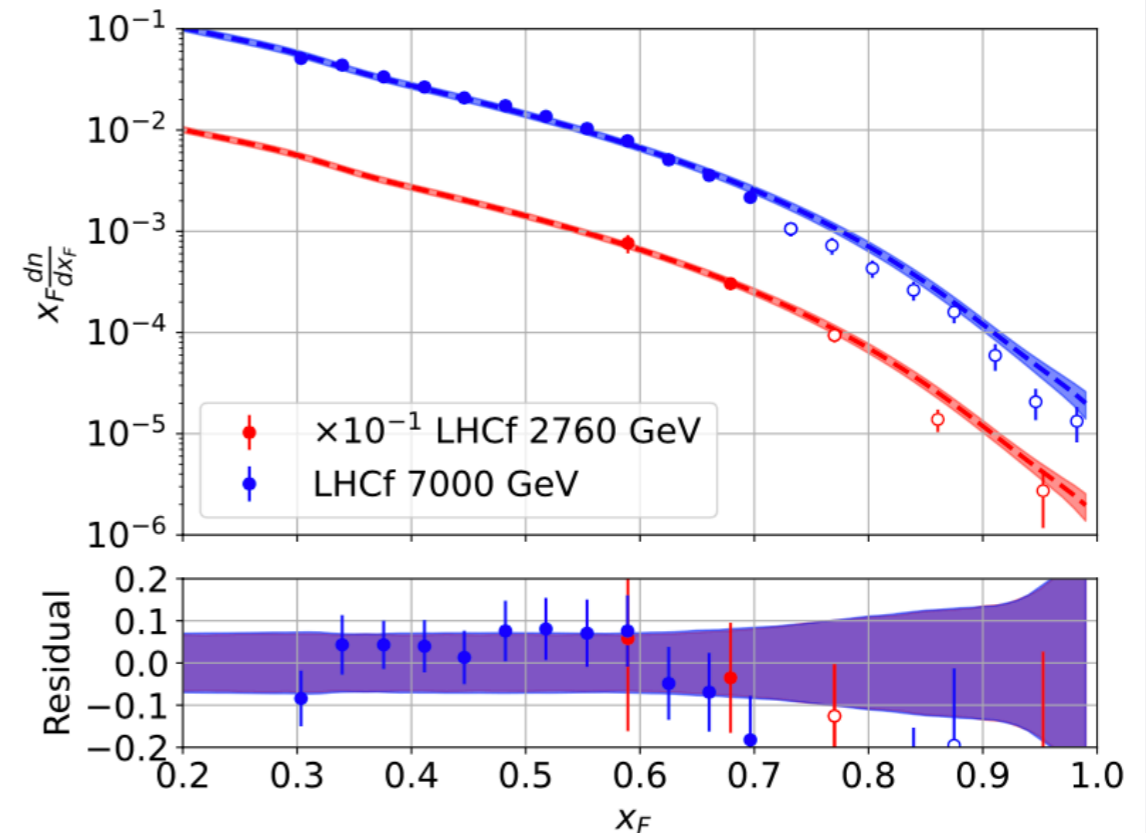
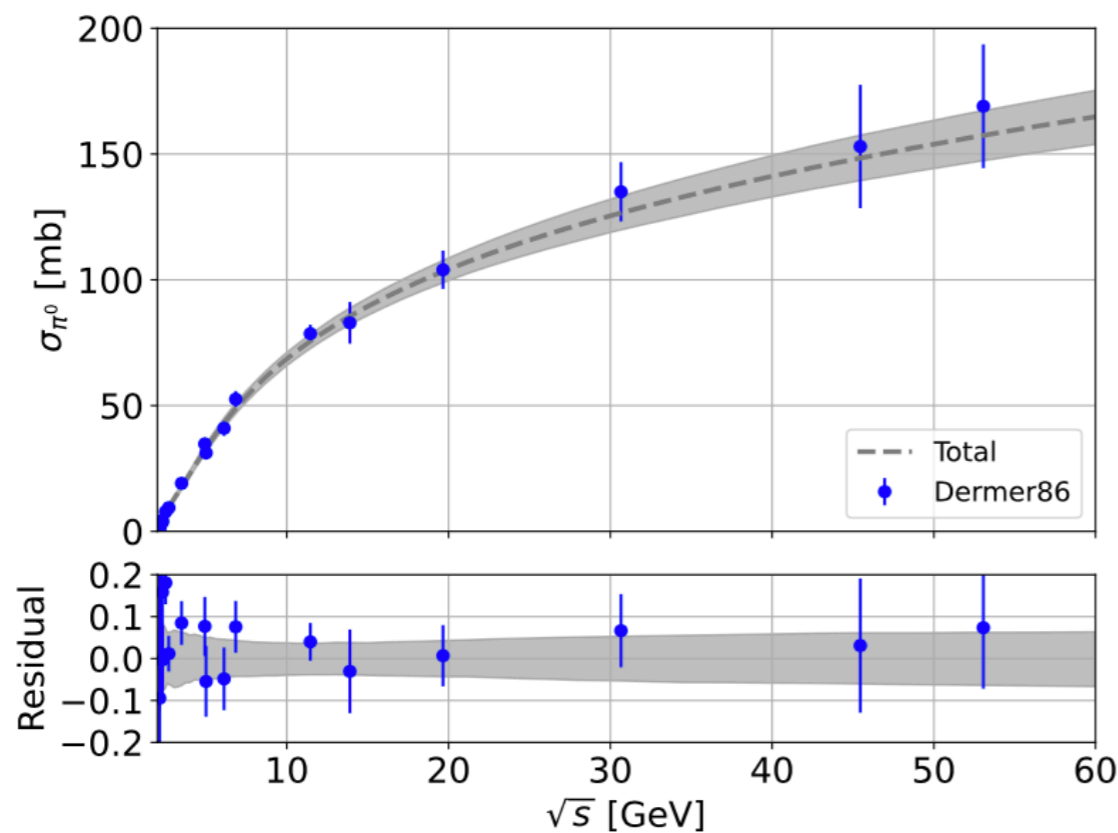
- $\sigma(p + p \rightarrow \gamma + X)$: γ -ray production cross section are needed.
- Uncertainties greater than the Fermi-LAT statistical errors undermine the study of the Galactic interstellar emission.
- Galactic Center: a significant excess of γ rays has been observed.



Results on the γ -ray production cross section

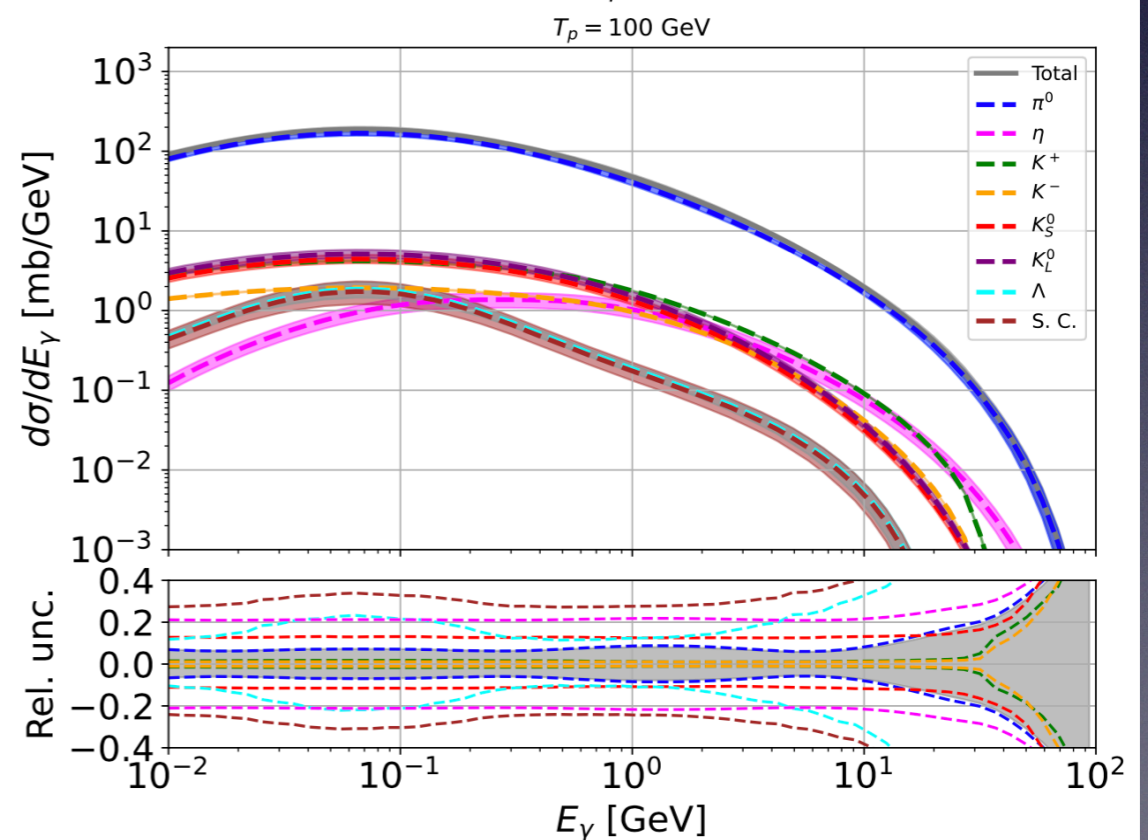
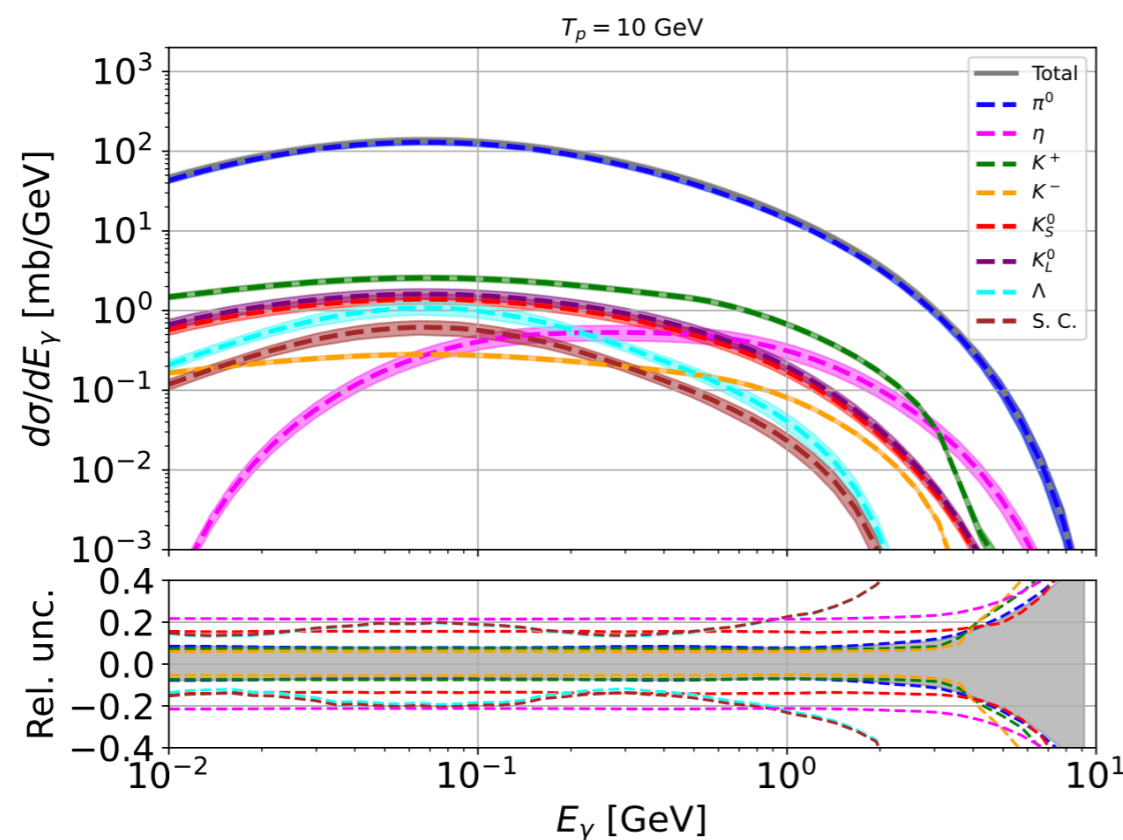
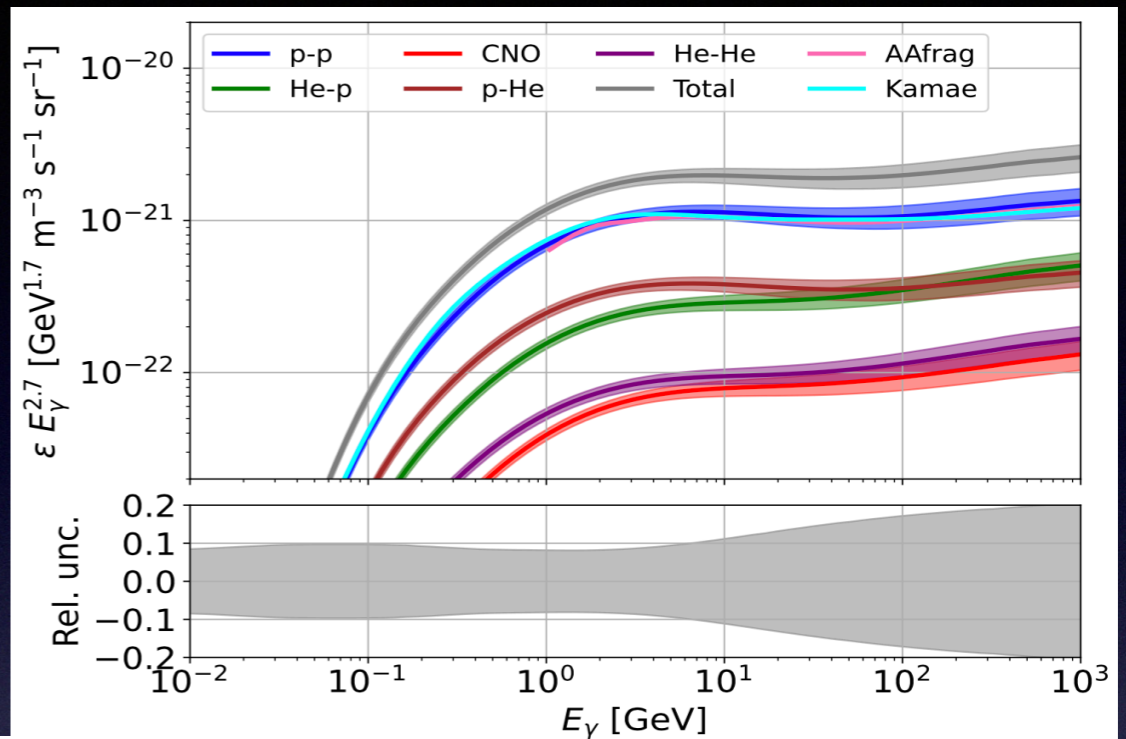
$$\sigma_{\text{inv}} = \sigma_0(s) c_{20} [G_{\pi^+}(p_T, x_R) + G_{\pi^-}(p_T, x_R)] A(s)$$

- π^0 : total uncertainties between 7 and 20%. $\sqrt{s} = 5\text{-}50$ GeV relevant.
- K^\pm, K_S^0 : fit on available data.
- K_L^0 : rescaled contribution from K_S^0 .
- η : fit on available data and rescaled contribution from π^0 .



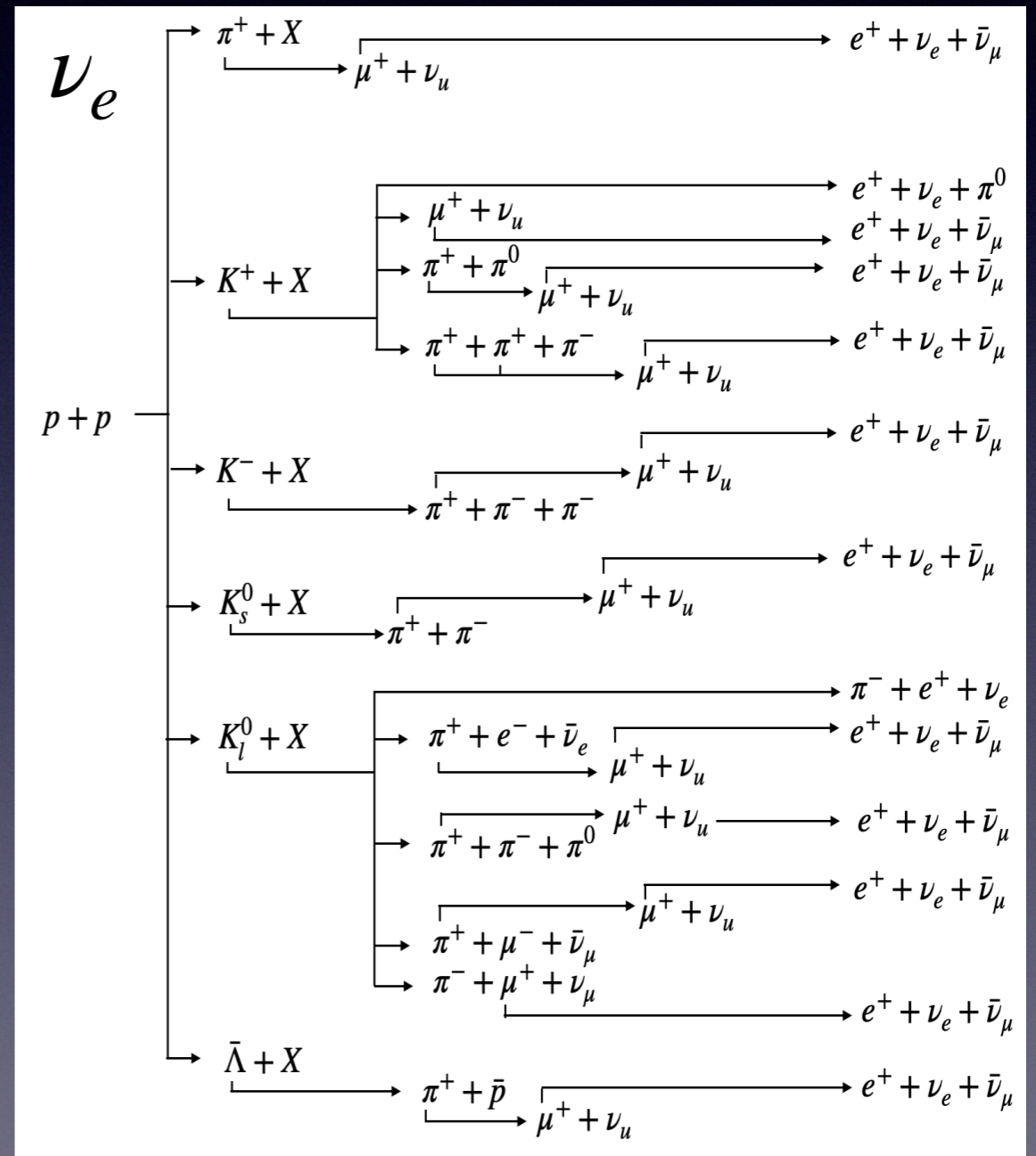
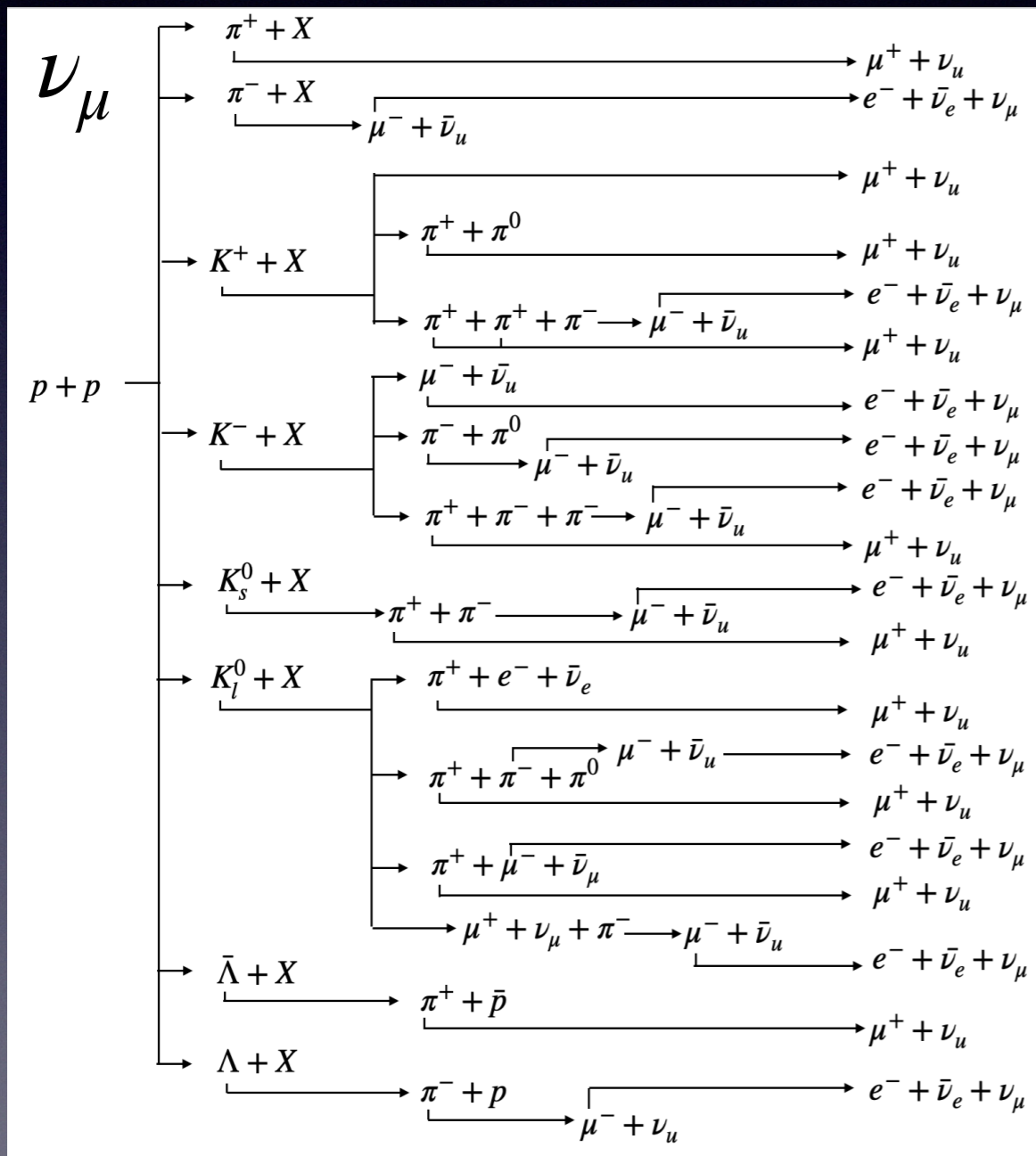
Results on the γ -ray production cross section

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



Diffuse ν emission (Orusa et al. in prep)

- Unlike the multi-component fluxes of γ rays, the flux of galactic diffuse ν uniquely originate from the decay of charged mesons, that are produced in hadronic interactions.
- ν production cross section are needed.



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1. $p + \text{He} \rightarrow e^+ + X$ ($p + \text{He} \rightarrow \pi^+ + X$)
(p beam $\sim 10 - 200$ GeV)

2. $p + p \rightarrow \gamma + X$ ($p + p \rightarrow \pi^0 + X$)
(p beam $\sim 10 - 200$ GeV)

3. $p + \text{He} \rightarrow \gamma + X$ ($p + \text{He} \rightarrow \pi^0 + X$)
(p beam $\sim 10 - 200$ GeV)

Backup

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

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

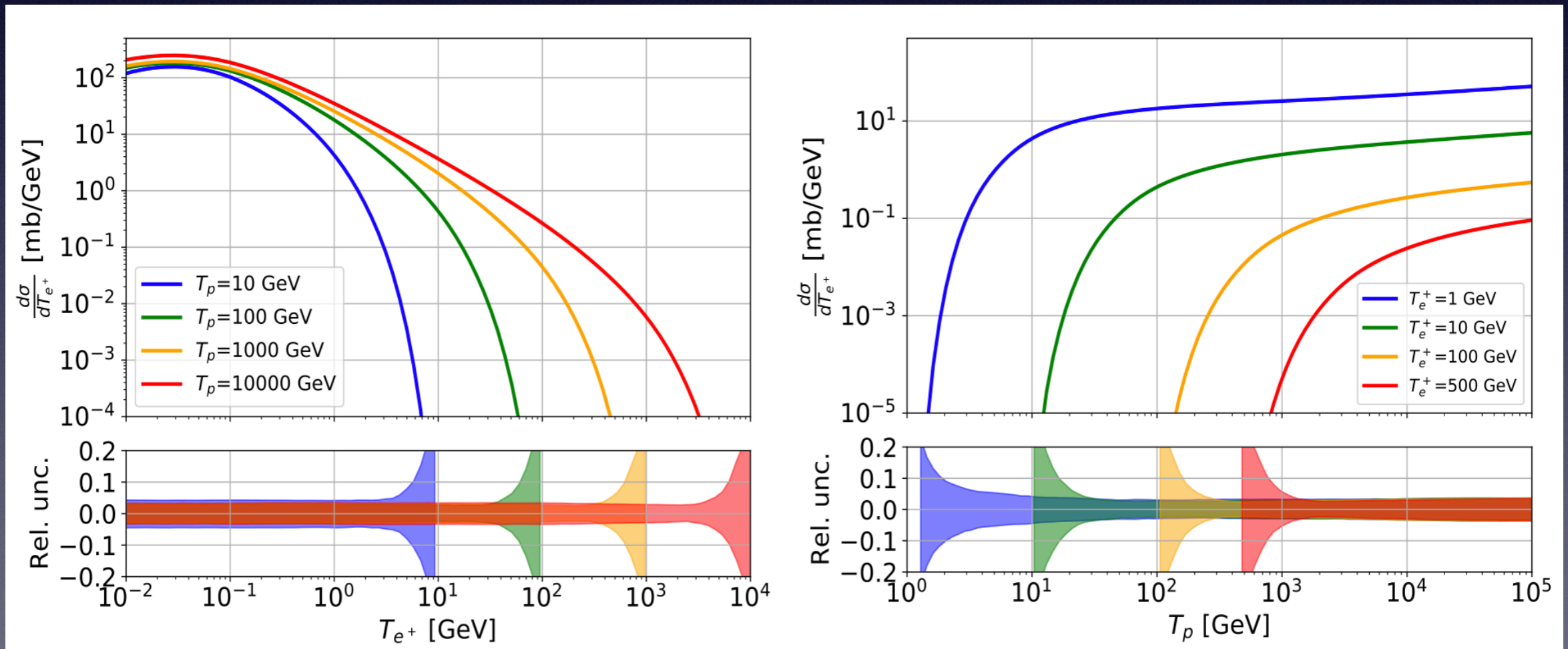
- $F_r(p_T, x_R) = (1 - x_R)^{c_8} \times \exp \left[-c_9 p_T - \left(\frac{|p_T - c_{10}|}{c_{11}} \right)^{c_{12}} \right] \times \left[c_{13} \exp(-c_{14} p_T^{c_{15}} x_R) + c_{16} \exp \left(- \left(\frac{|x_R - c_{17}|}{c_{18}} \right)^{c_{19}} \right) \right]$

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

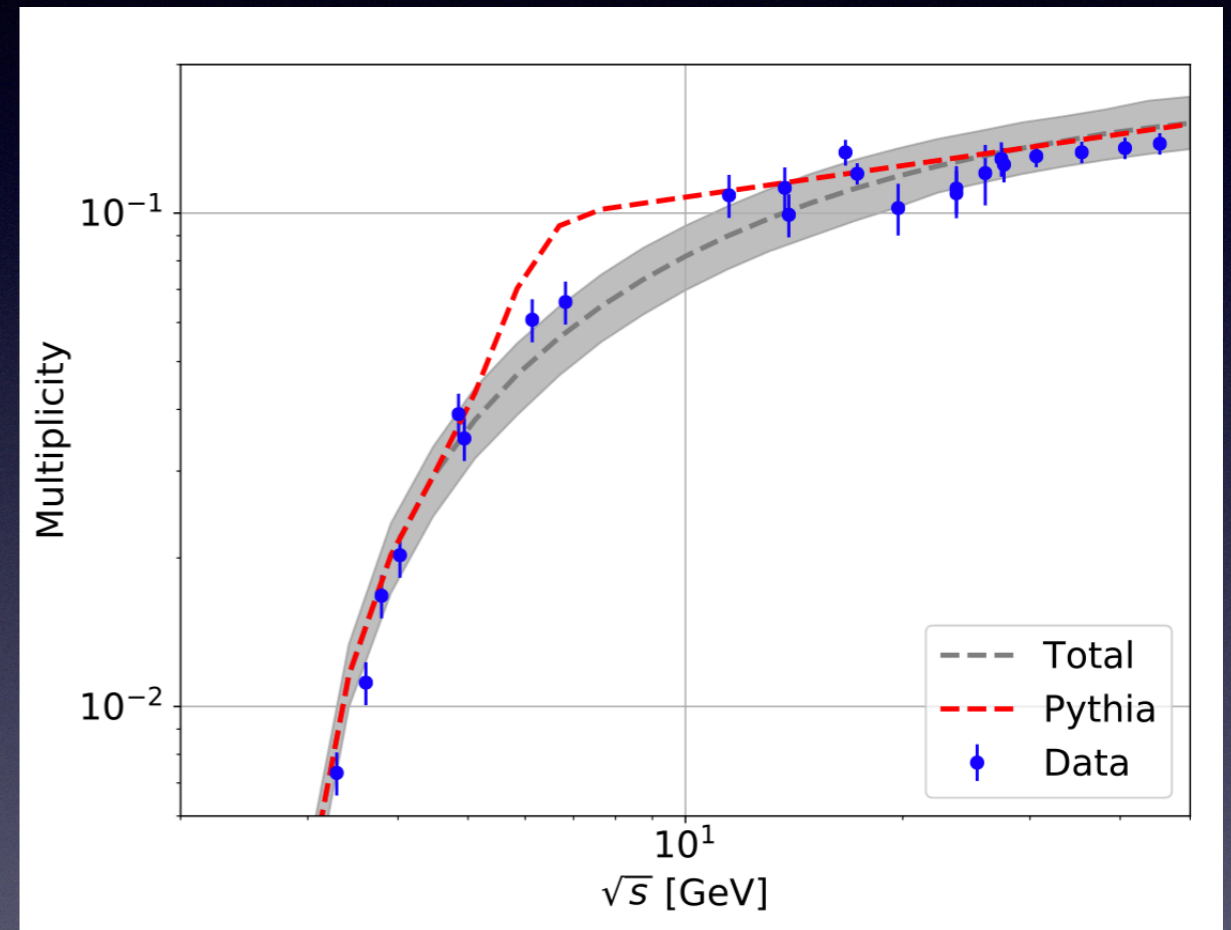
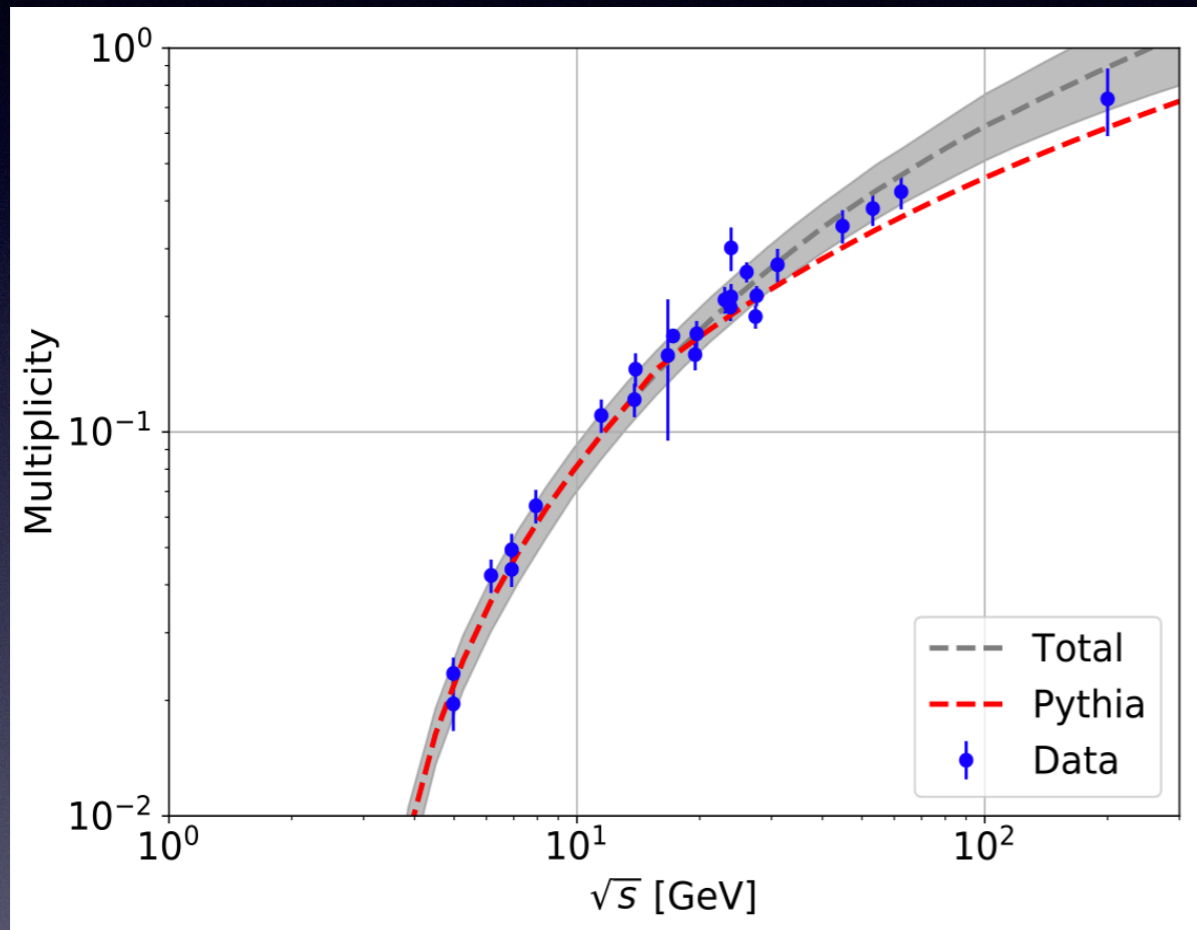
	π^+	π^-	K^+	K^-
$\chi_{\text{NA49}}^2/\text{d.o.f.}$	338/263	287/290.	146/151	197/151
$\chi_n^2/\text{d.o.f.}$	189/129	169/96	160/102	135/100
χ_{ALICE}^2	77 (33)	-	42 (27)	36 (27)
χ_{CMS}^2	100 (88)	154 (88)	77 (68)	54 (68)
$\chi_{\text{NA61,Antinucci}}^2$	10 (12)	15 (12)	39 (11)	44 (9)
$\chi_{\text{tot}}^2/\text{d.o.f.}$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

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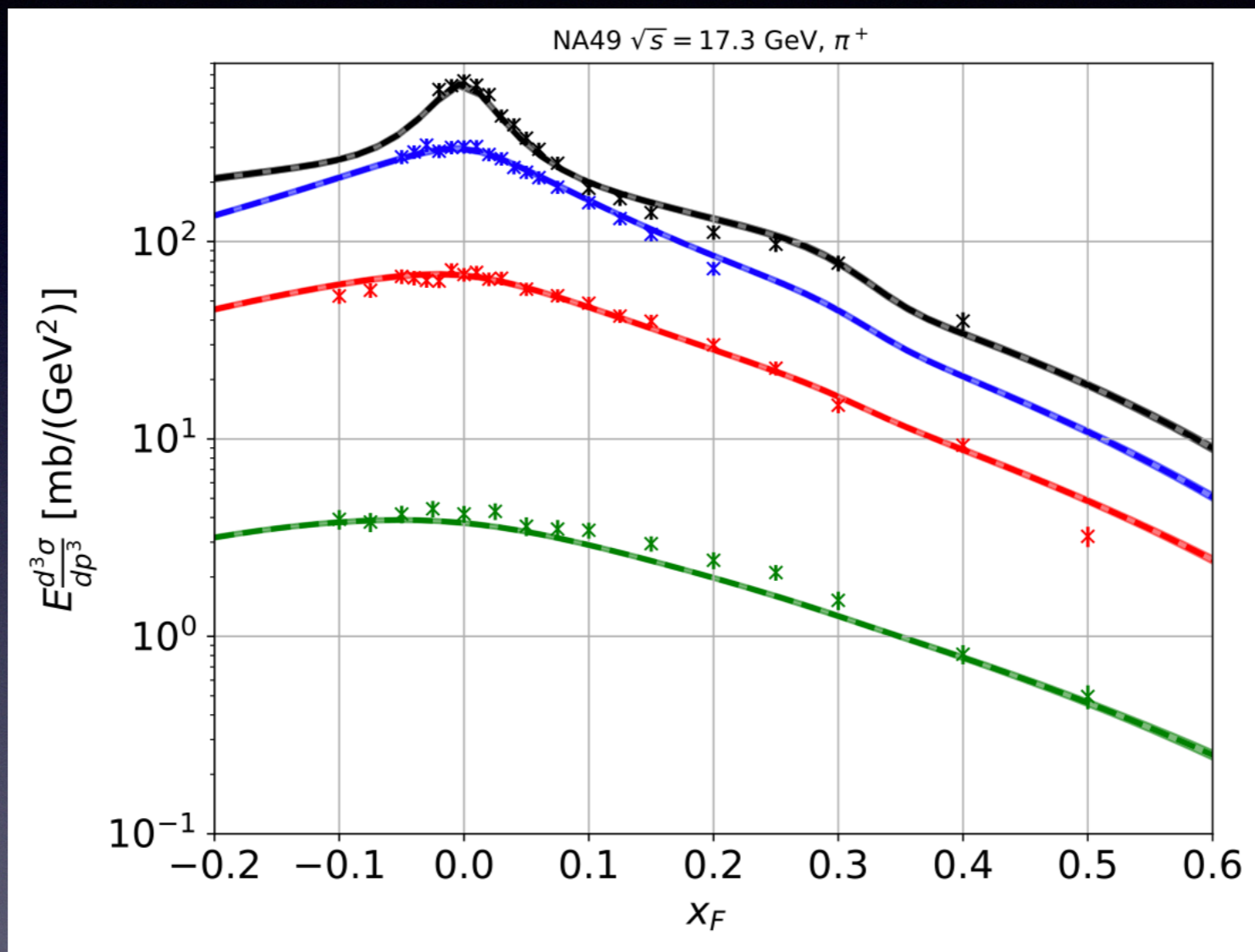
- The uncertainties are about 5% for almost all T_{e^+} .
- The relative uncertainty increases above 20% when approaching the maximum energy, that has a negligible impact on the final uncertainty.
- The results of this Section already hint at the final result. The by far dominant contribution of e^+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



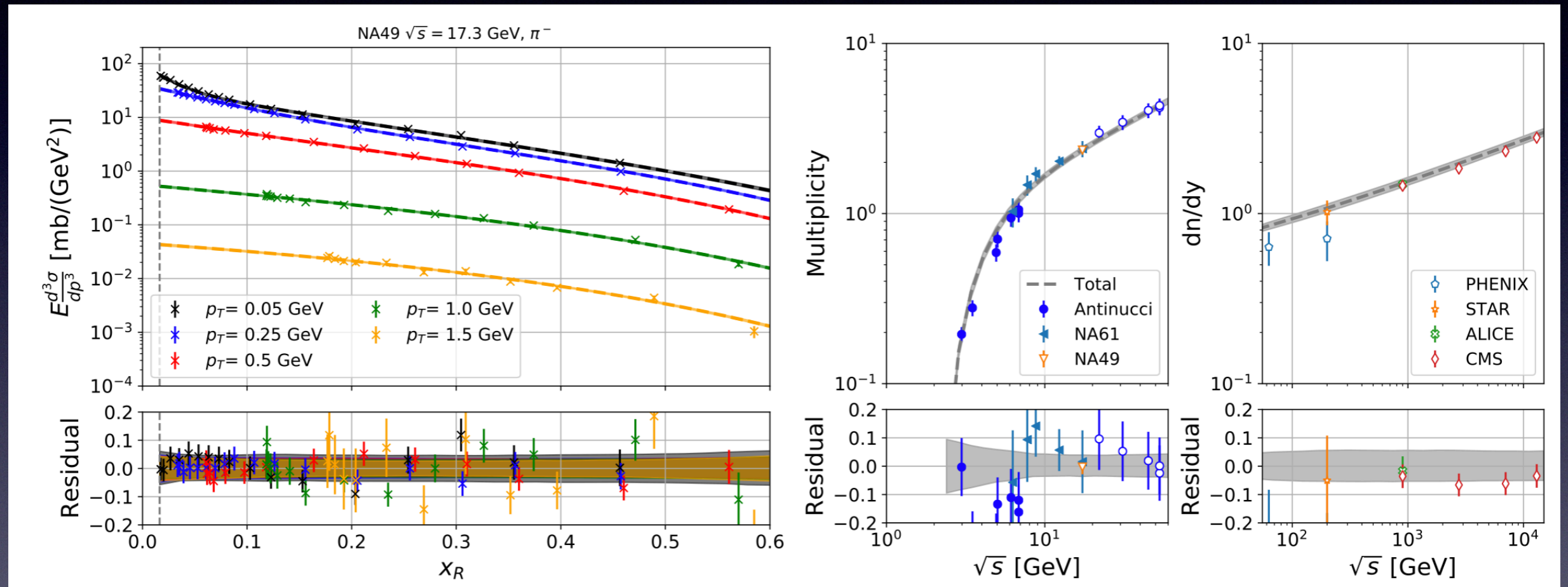
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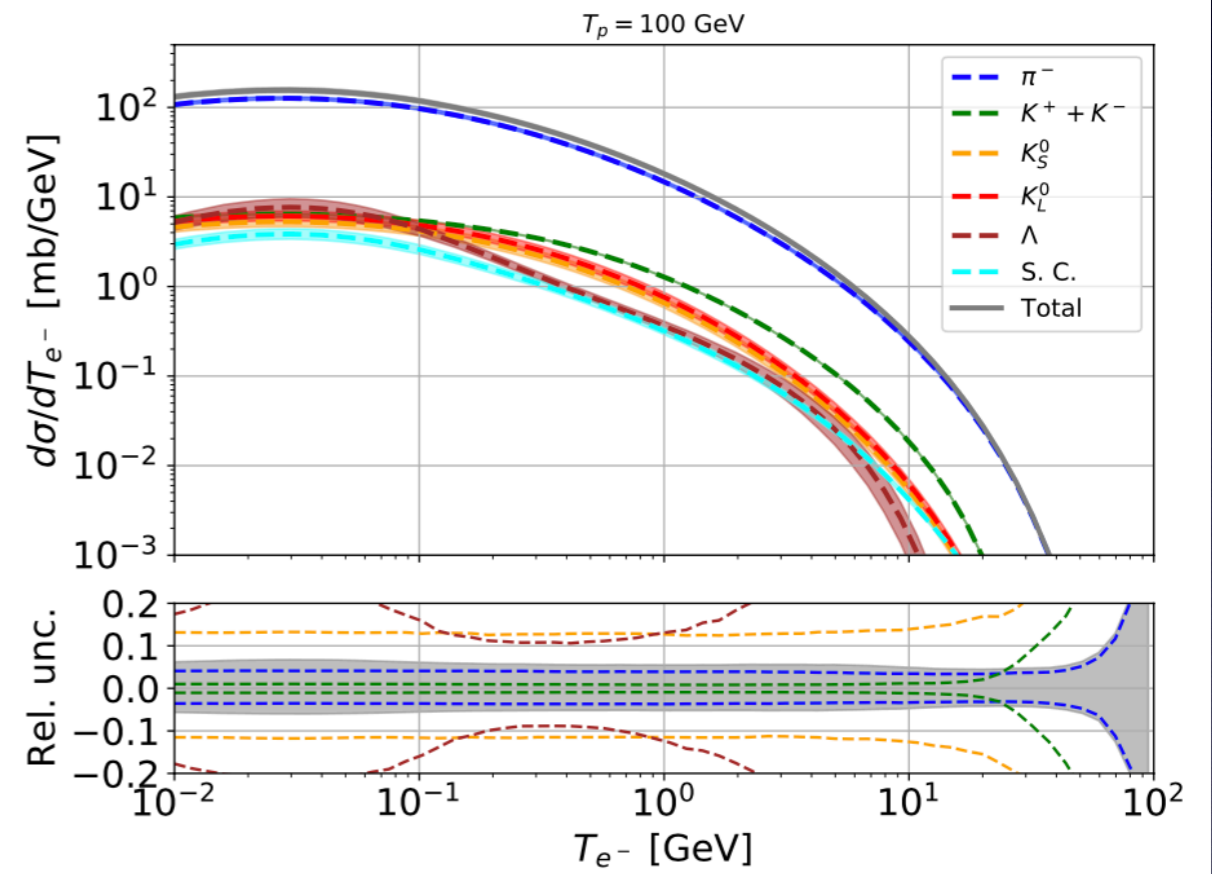
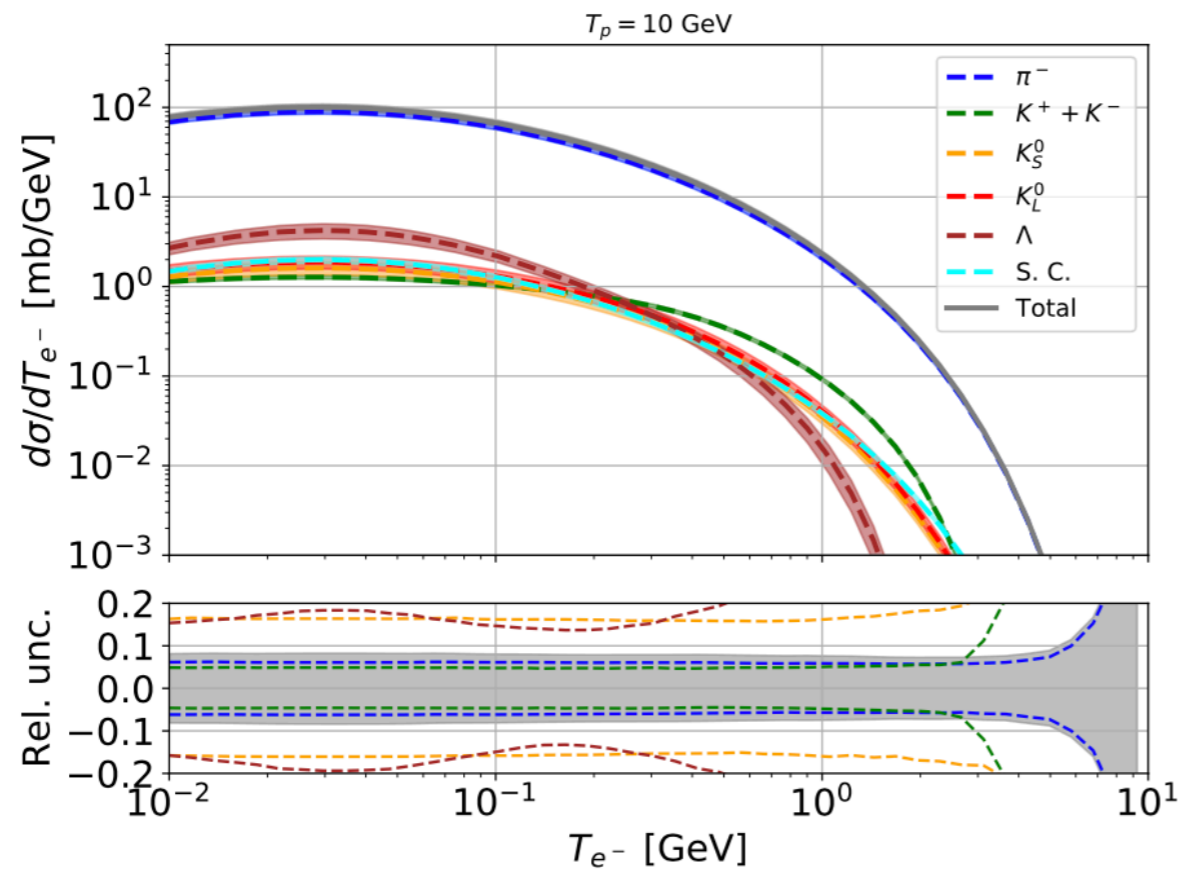
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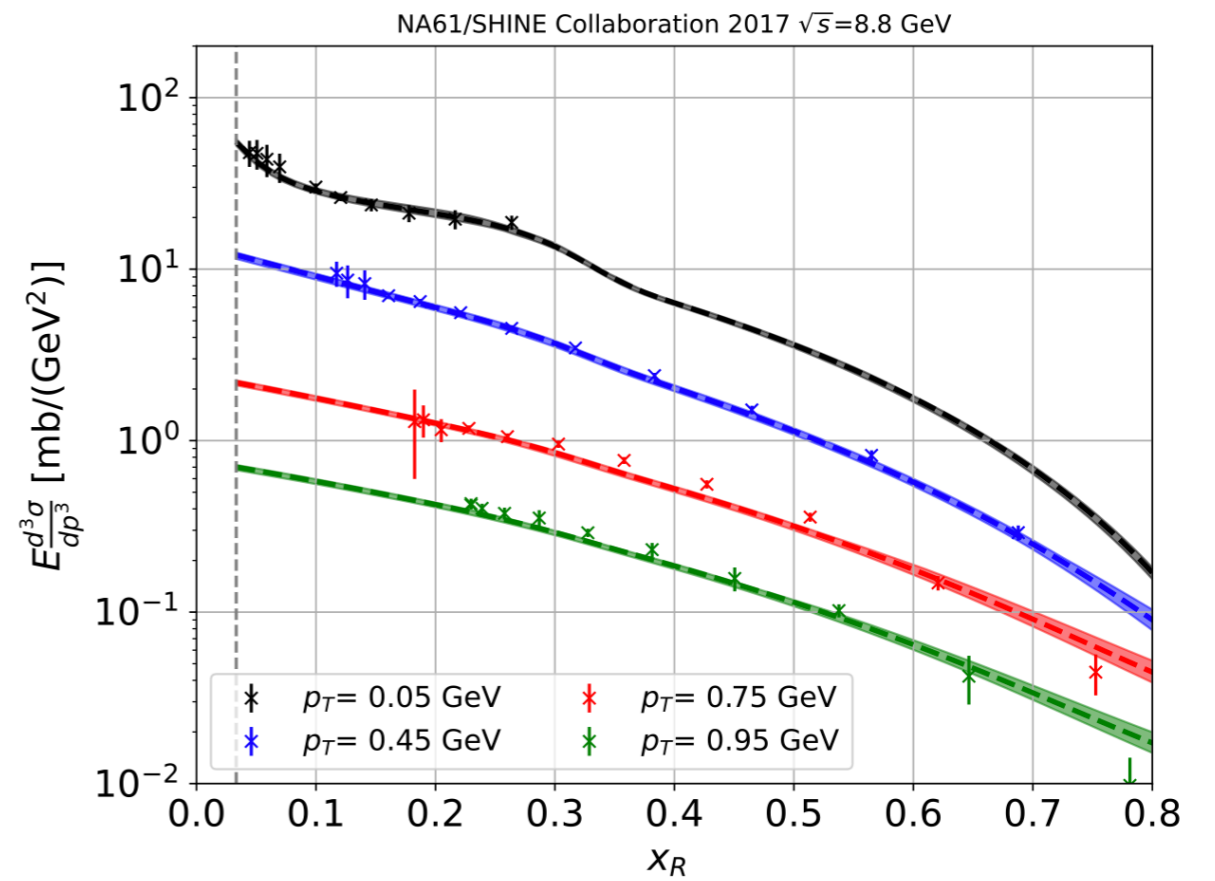
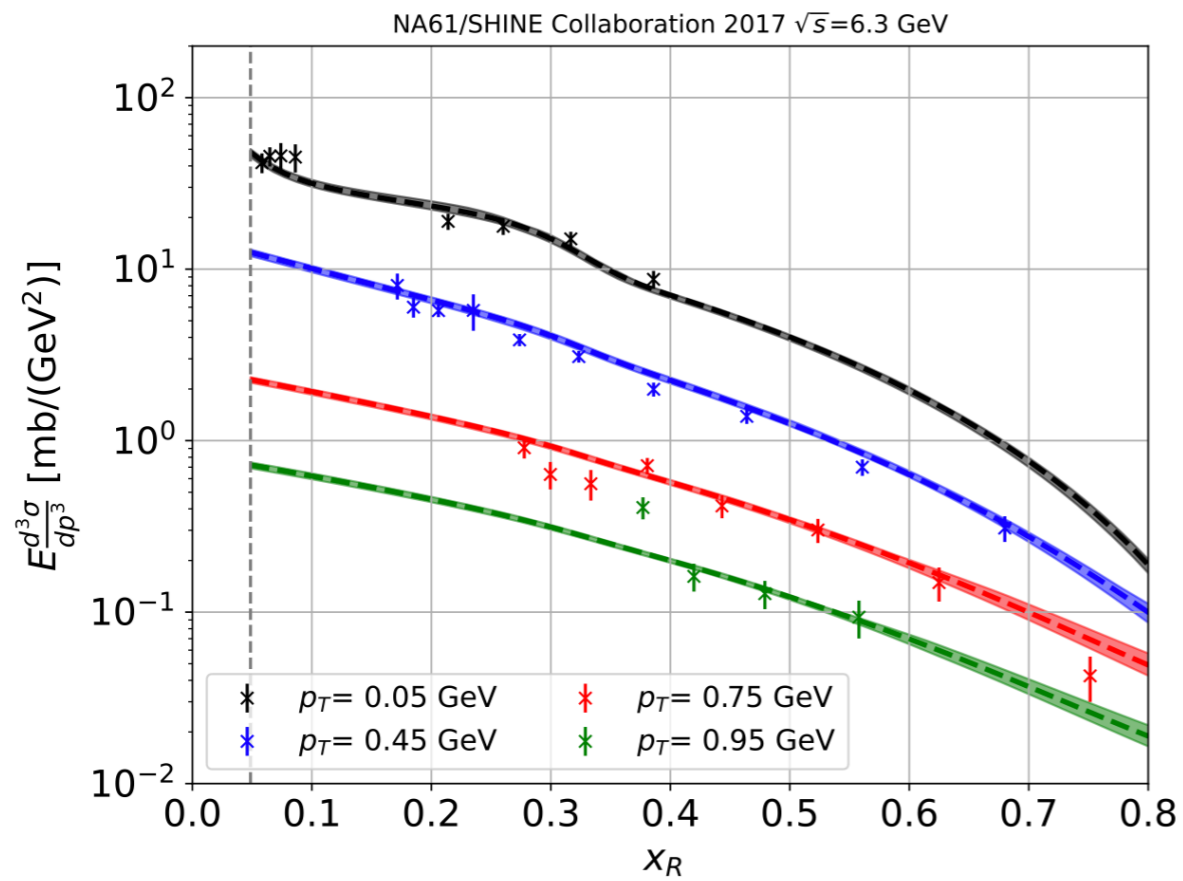
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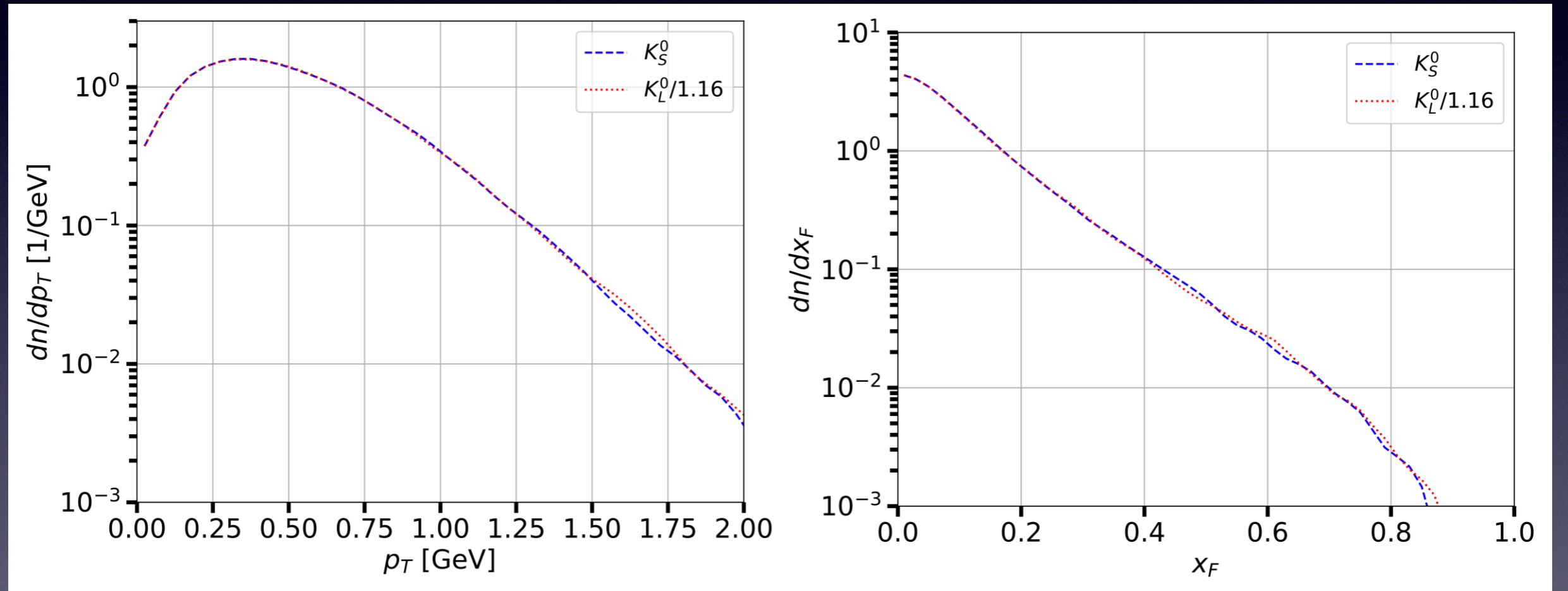
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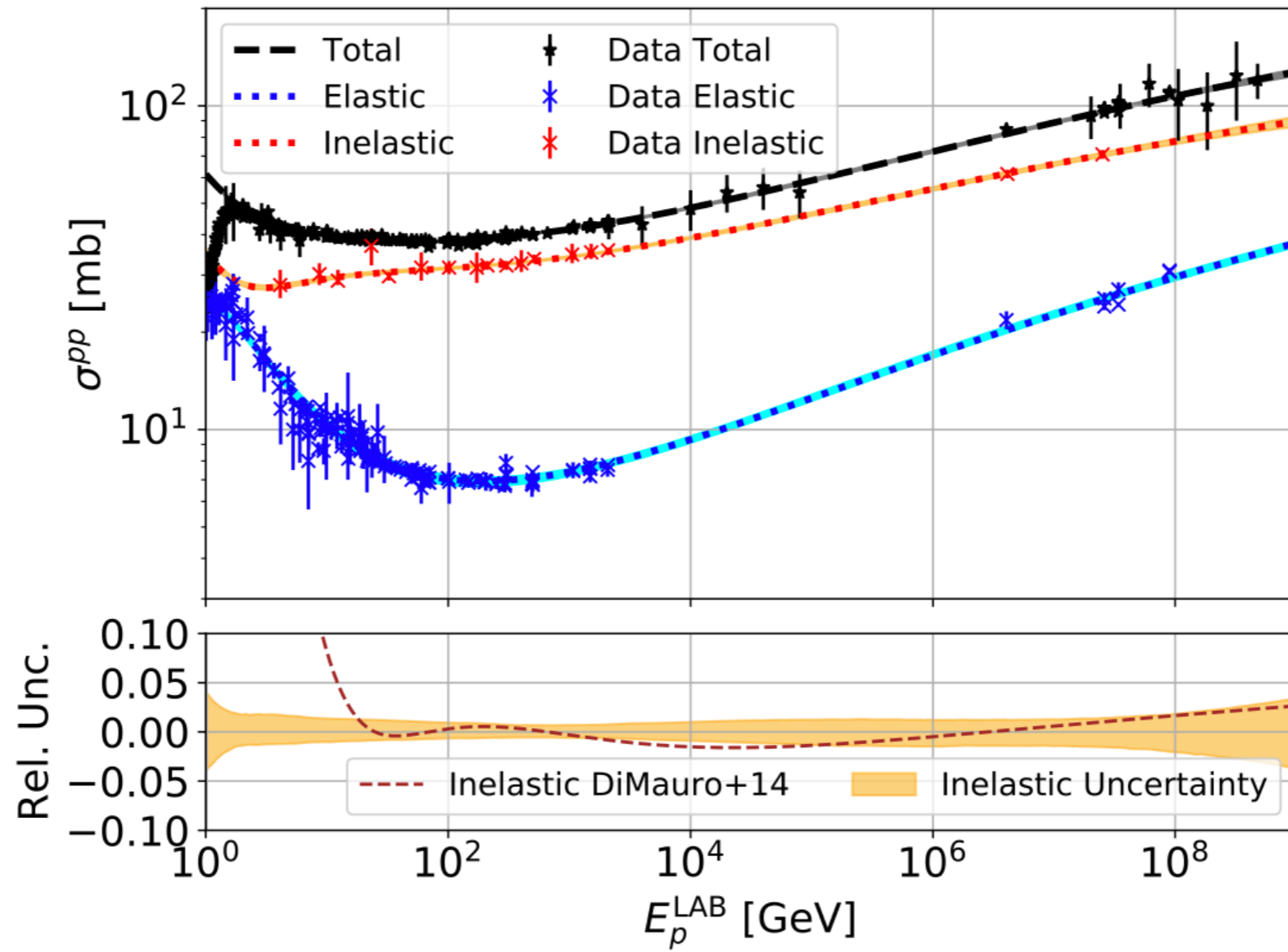
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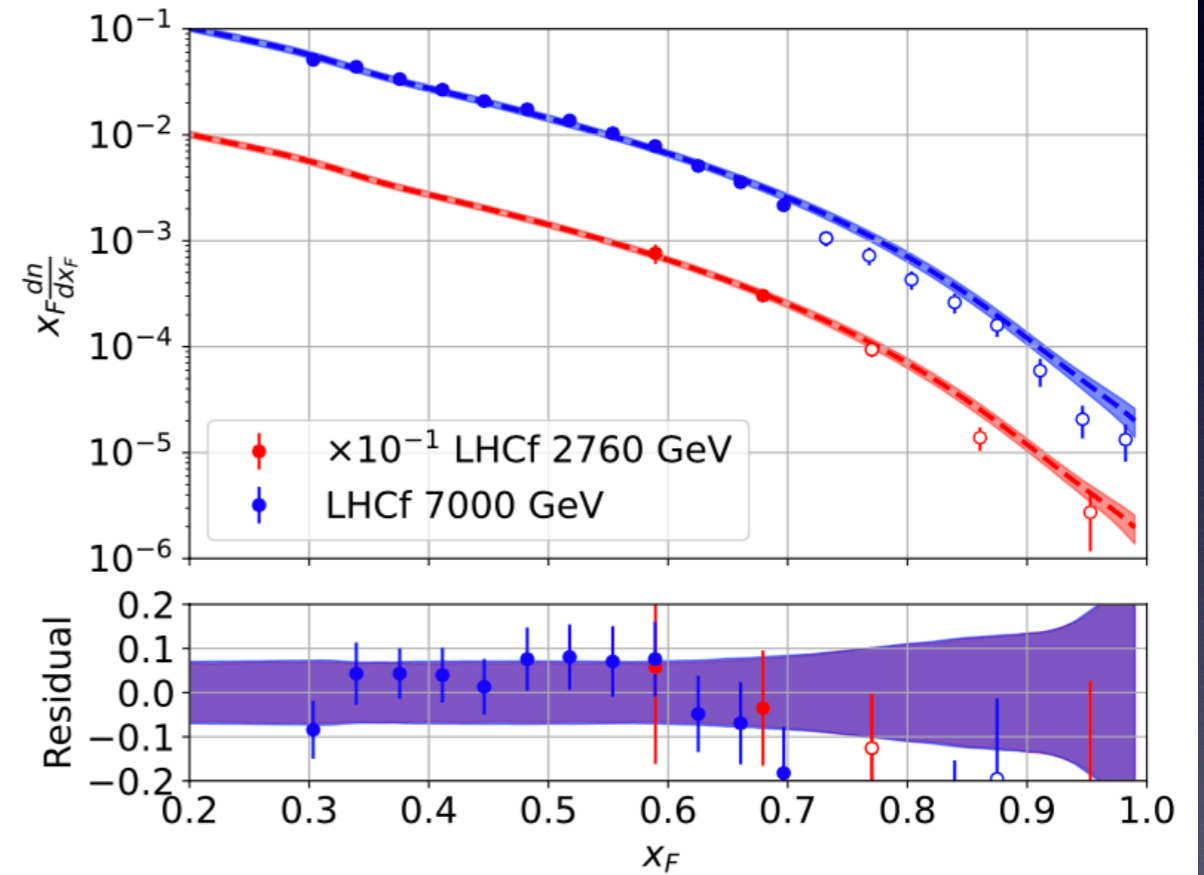
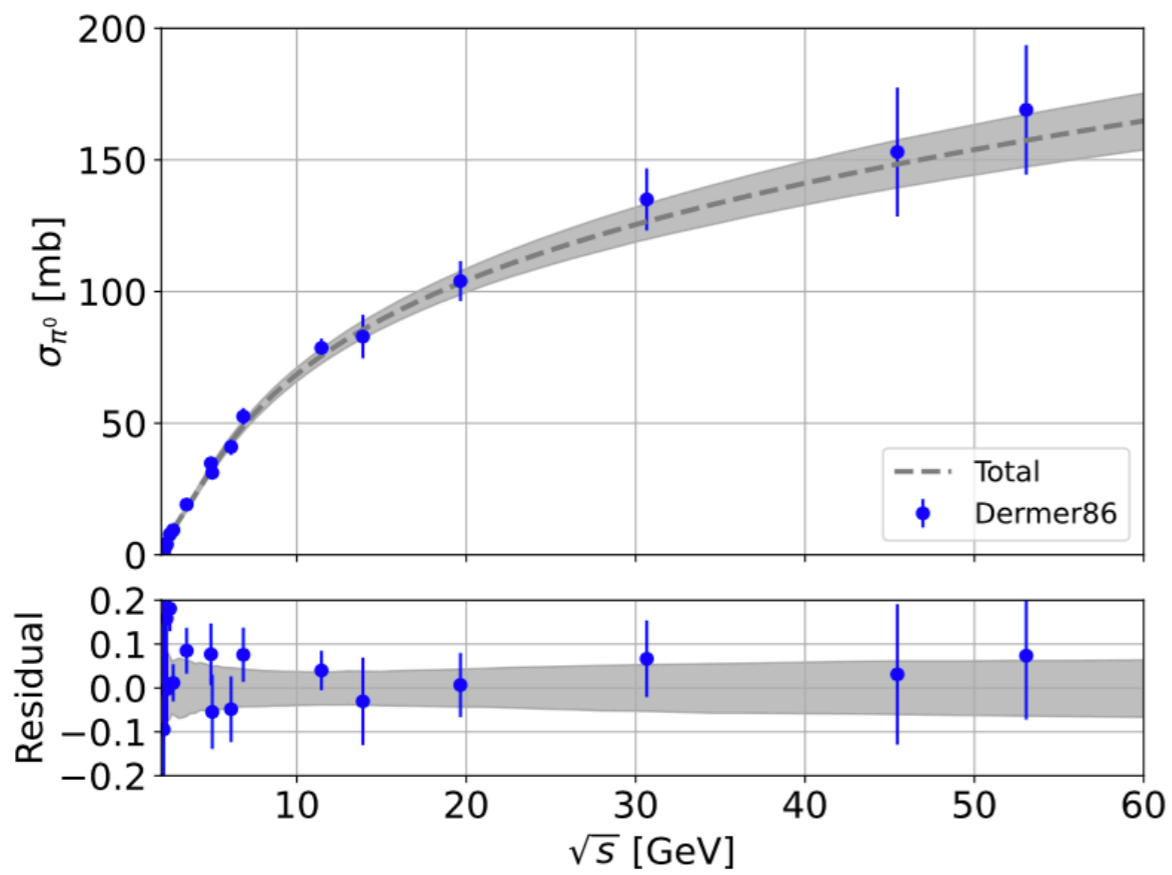
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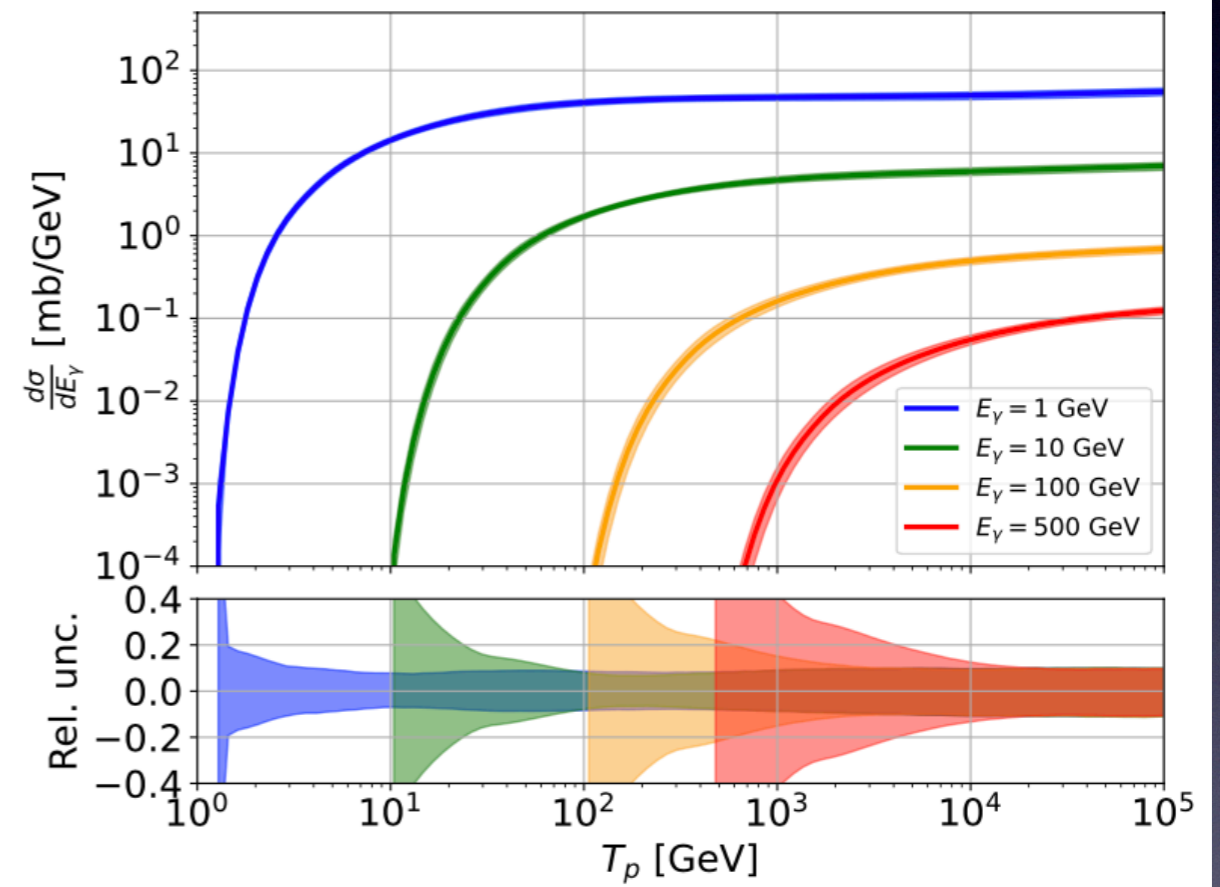
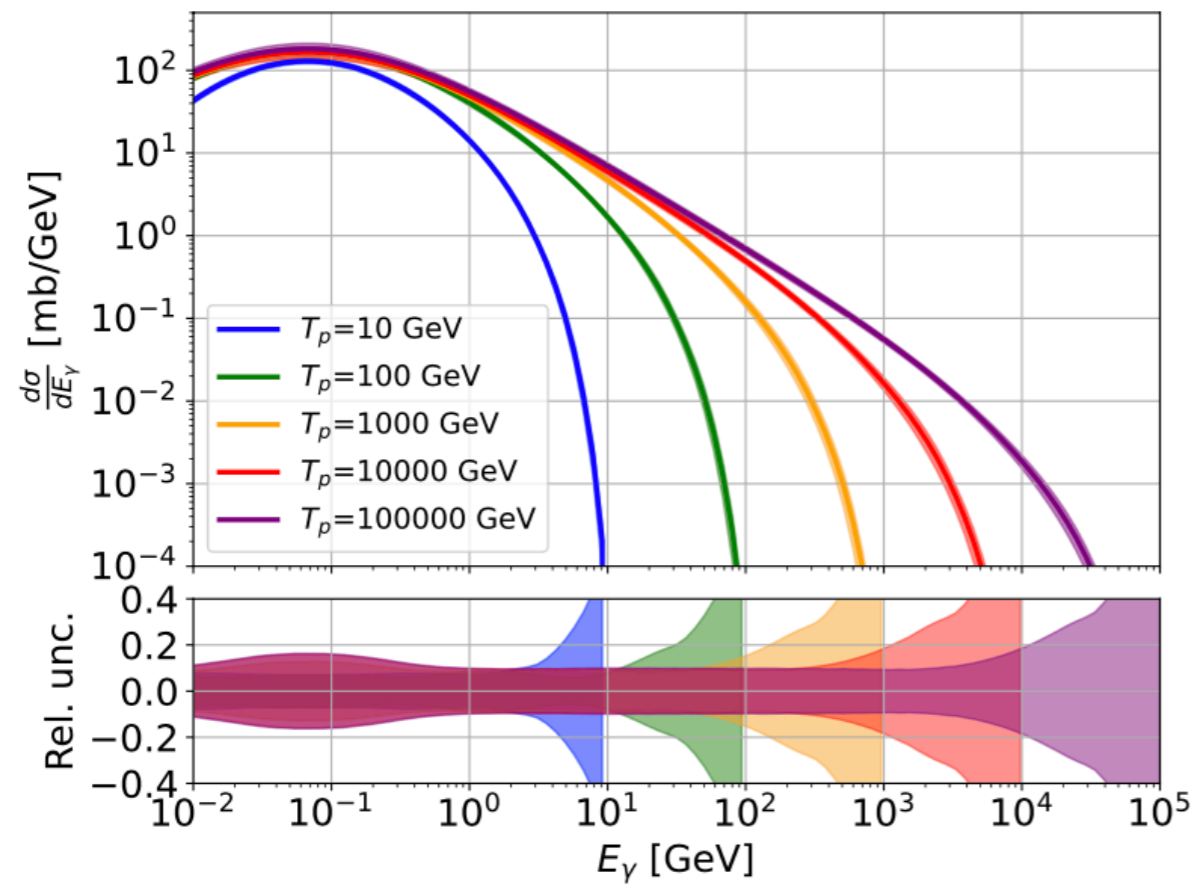
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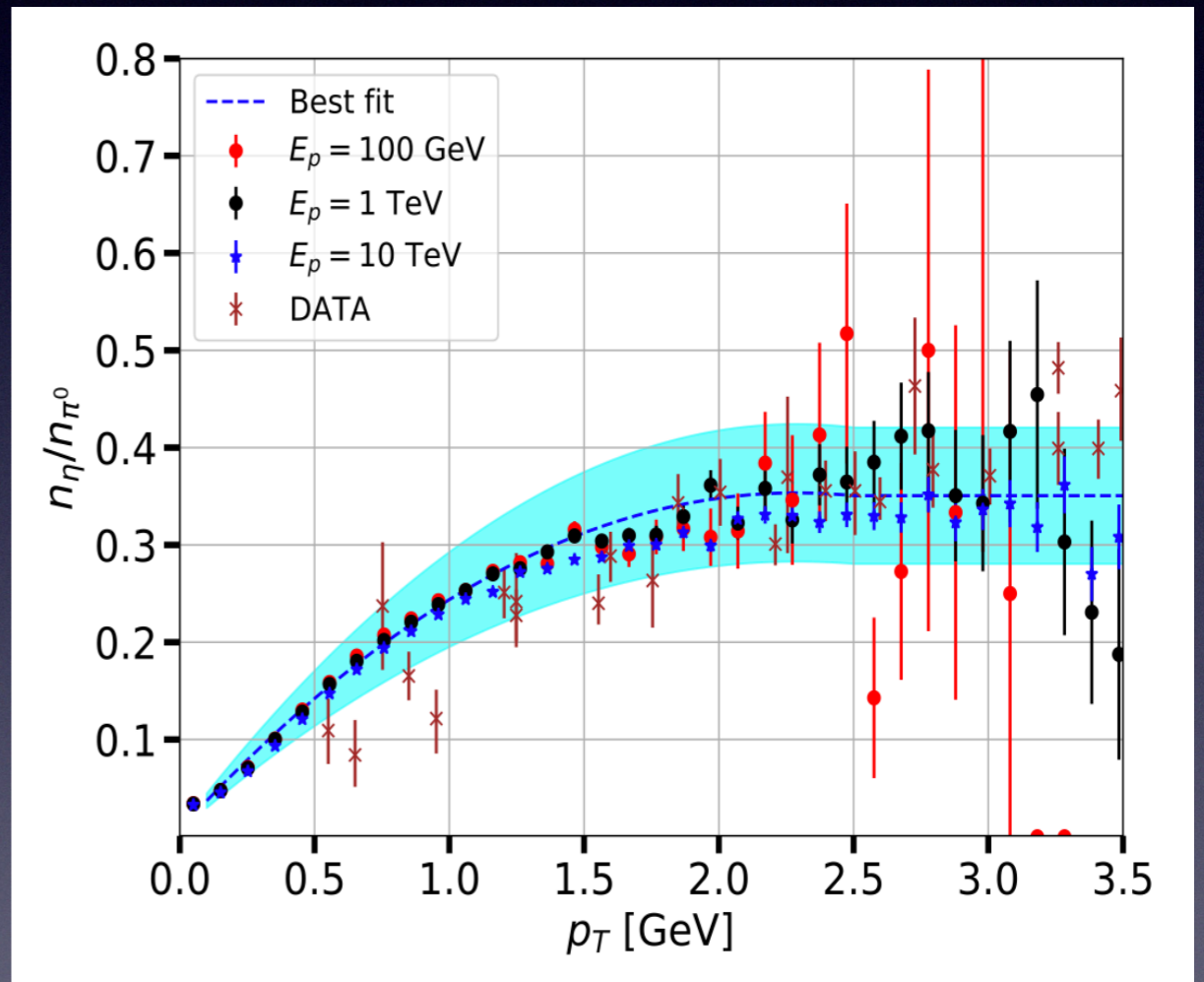
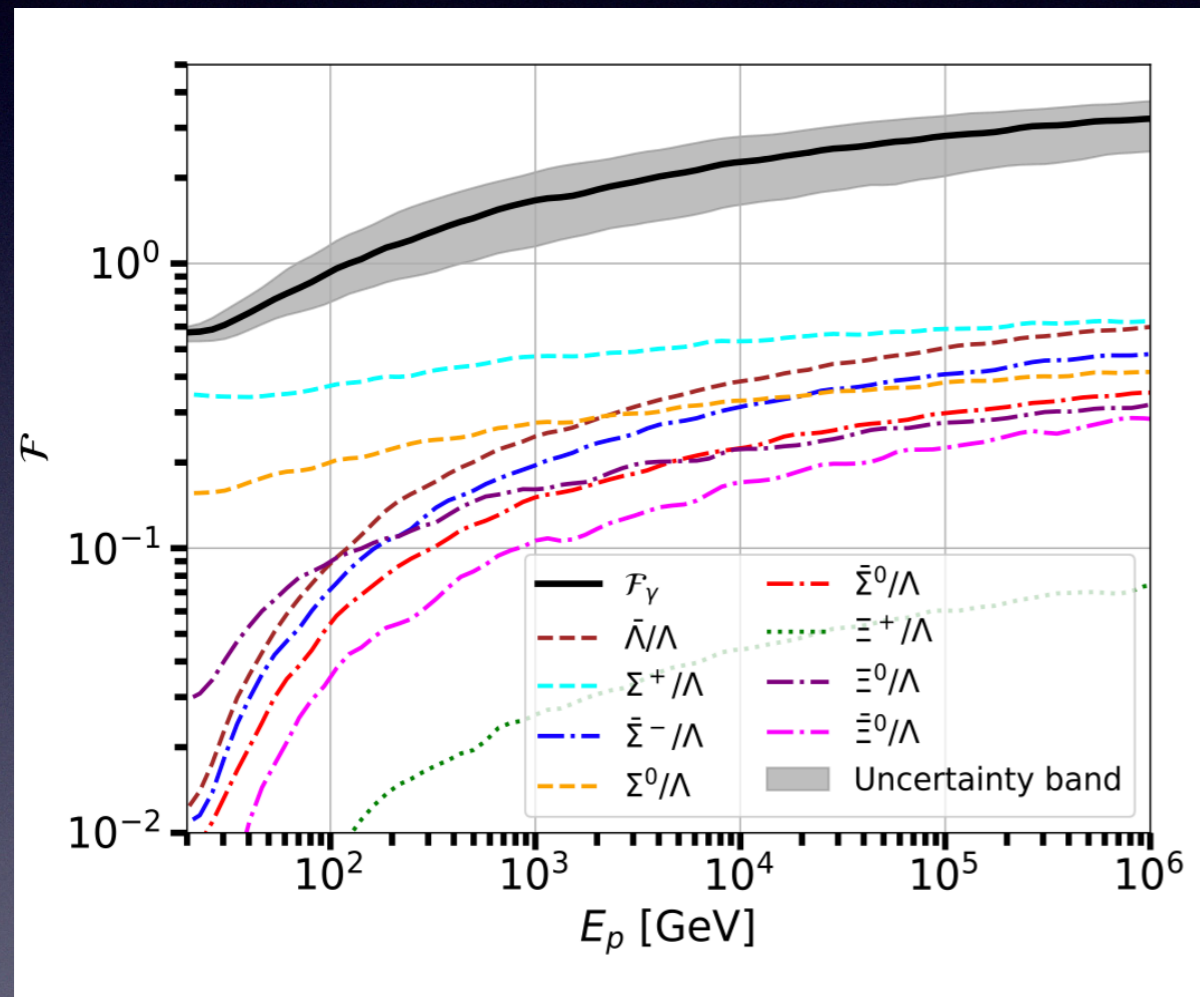
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