

# Status of AMS and PEBS

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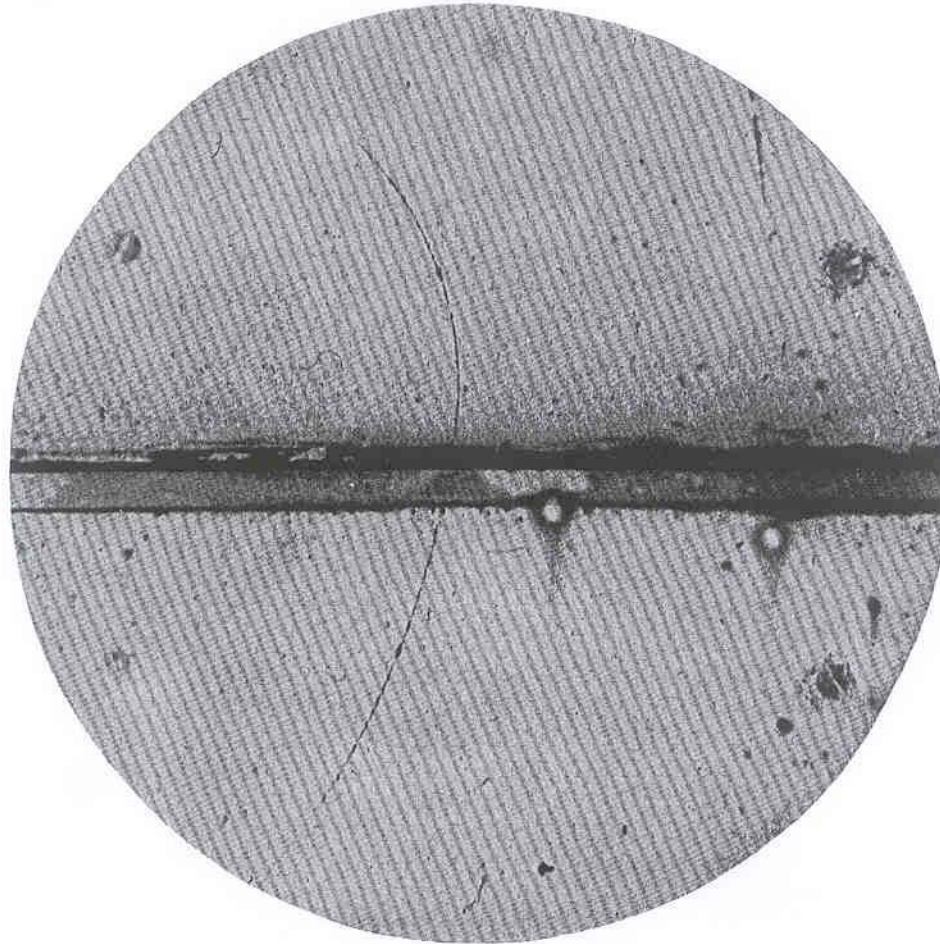
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# Antiparticle and cosmic rays

- Antiparticle was first discovered in the cosmic ray  
- positron seen by Anderson in 1932



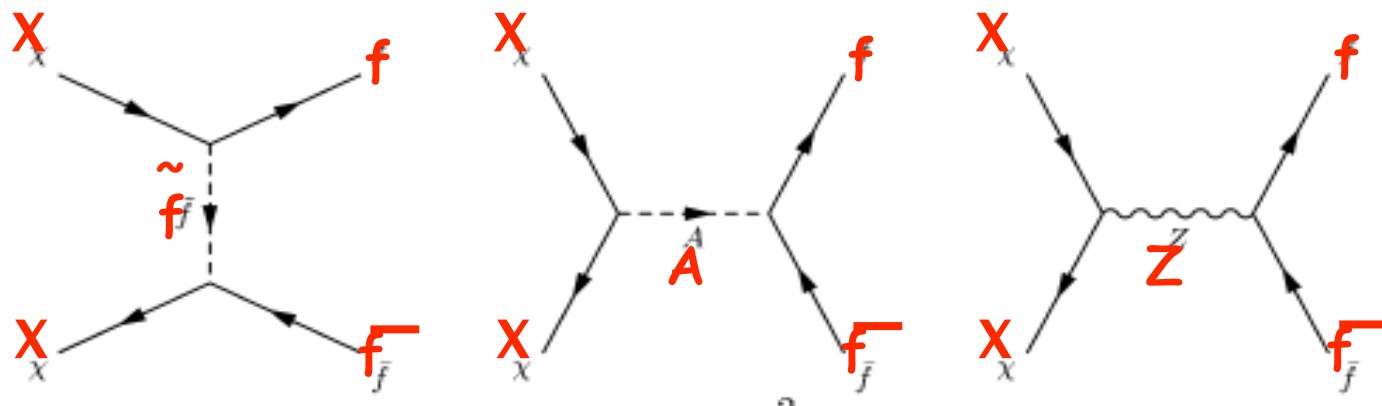
# Antiparticles in the cosmic rays

- Any antimatter left in the universe?  
anti-nucleus (e.g. anti-He)  
→ matter anti-matter asymmetry in the universe
- Origin of high energy anti-particles  
→ indirect evidence of dark matter?



particularly interesting questions for particle physics

# For example

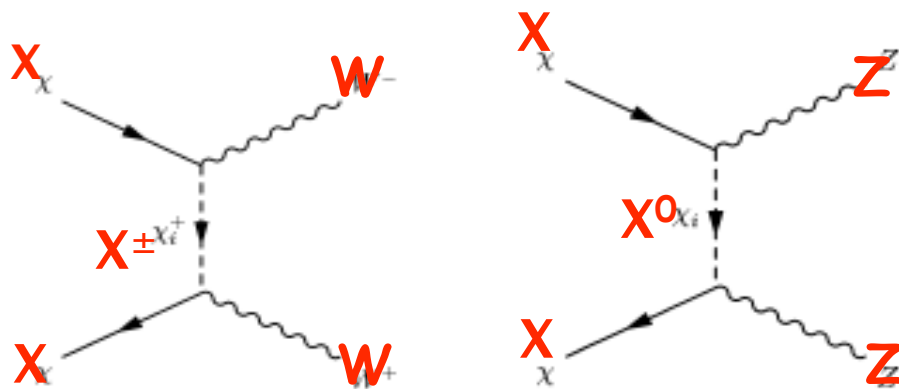


$$\propto \frac{m_\chi \cdot m_f}{m_{\tilde{f}}^2}$$

$$\propto \frac{\tan \beta \cdot m_{f_d}}{m_W} \left( \frac{m_\chi}{m_A} \right)^2 N_1 N_{3(4)}$$

$$\tan \beta \cdot m_{f_d} \leftrightarrow \frac{m_{f_u}}{\tan \beta}$$

$$\propto \frac{m_f \cdot m_\chi}{m_Z^2} N_{3(4)}^2$$



$$\propto \frac{1}{1 + (m_{\chi_i^+}/m_\chi)^2 - (m_W/m_\chi)^2}$$

$$(m_{\chi_i^+}, m_W) \leftrightarrow (m_{\chi_i}, m_Z)$$

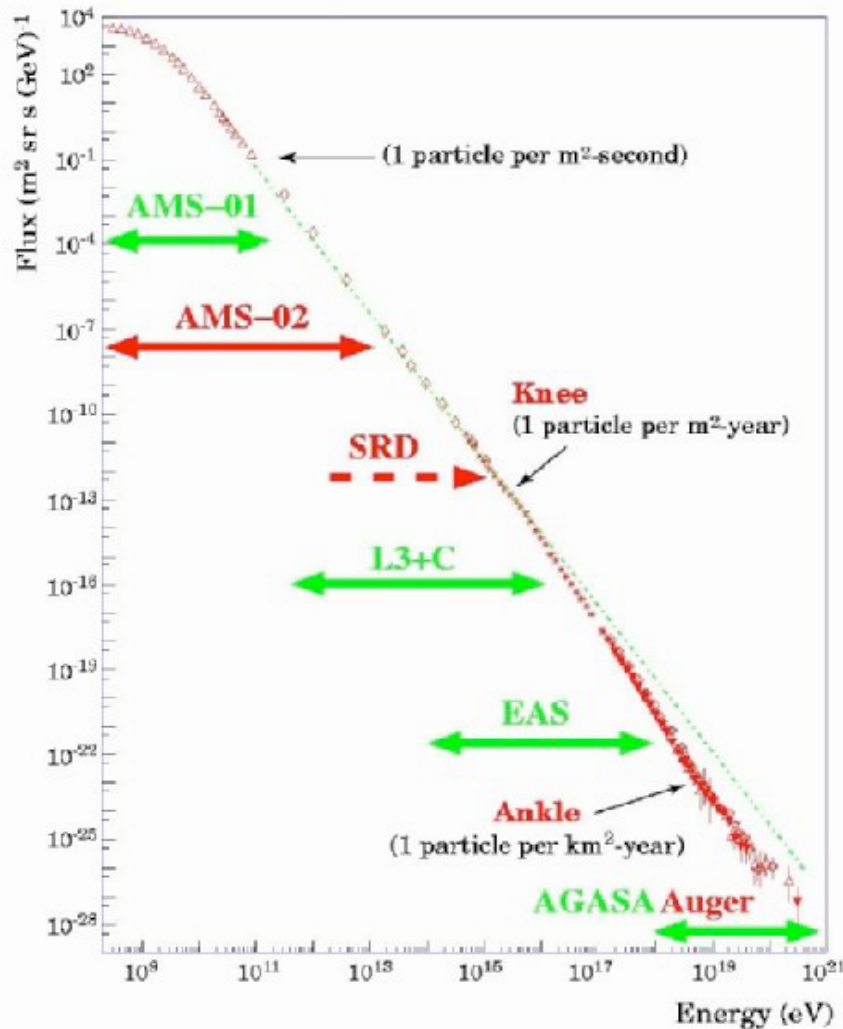
# Detector requirements

- Minimising effect from atmosphere:
  - satellite or very high altitude balloon (~40 km)
- $E$  measurement and particle identification:  $+/-$ ,  $e/p$ ,  $d/He/...$ 
  - strong magnet with high precision tracker
  - EM-calorimeter and TRD
  - RICH

# Steeply falling spectrum

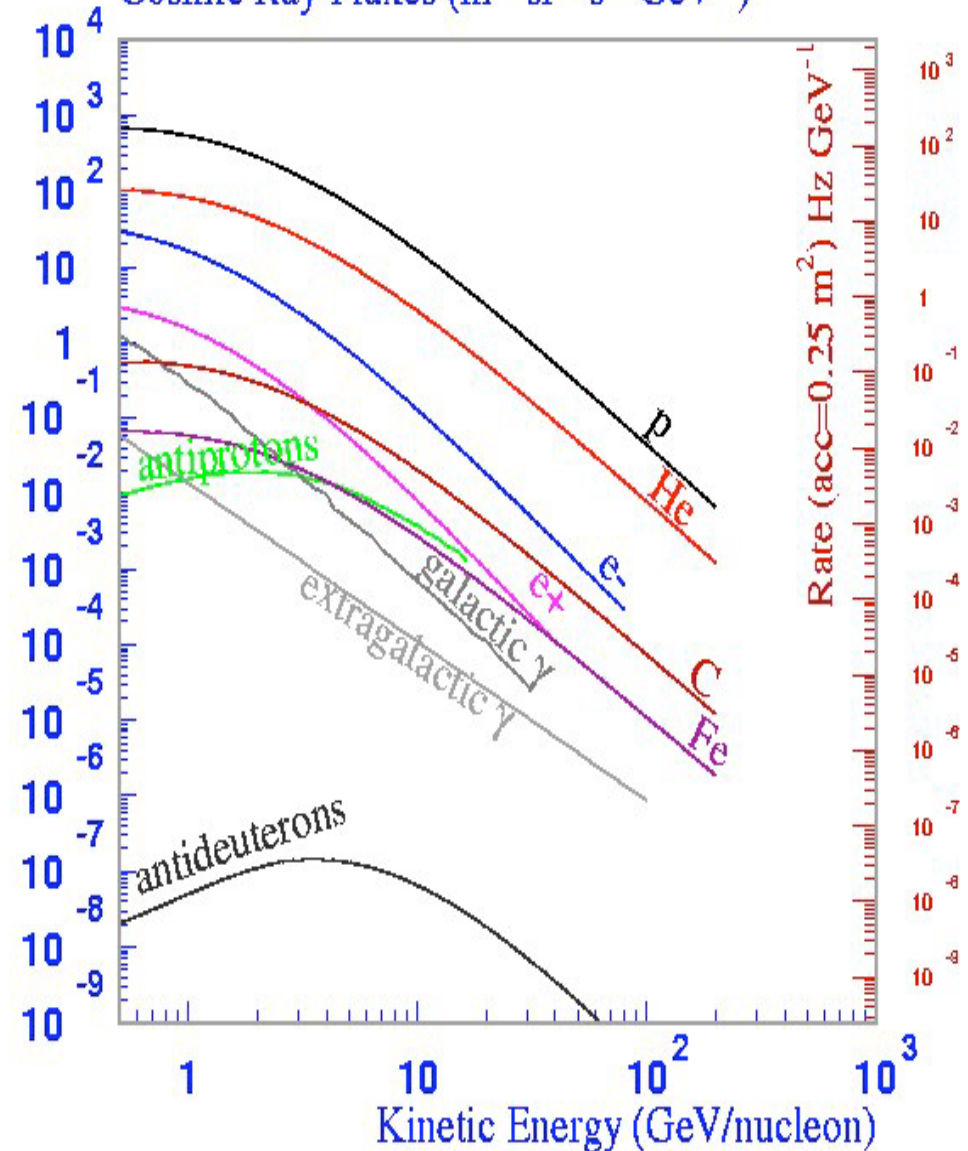
All charged particles

Kampert 1999



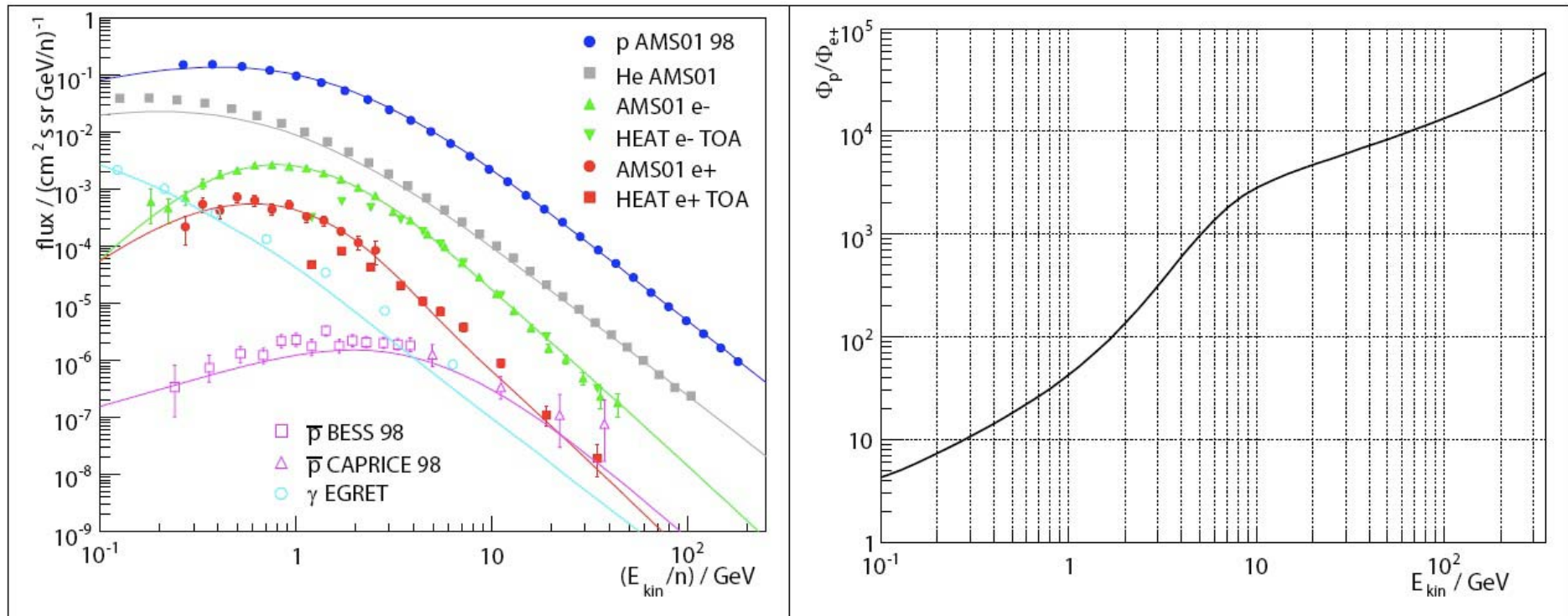
$$\Phi \sim E^{-2.8} \rightarrow E^{-3.2} \rightarrow E^{-2.8}$$

Cosmic Ray Fluxes ( $\text{m}^{-2} \text{sr}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1} \text{GeV}^{-1}$ )

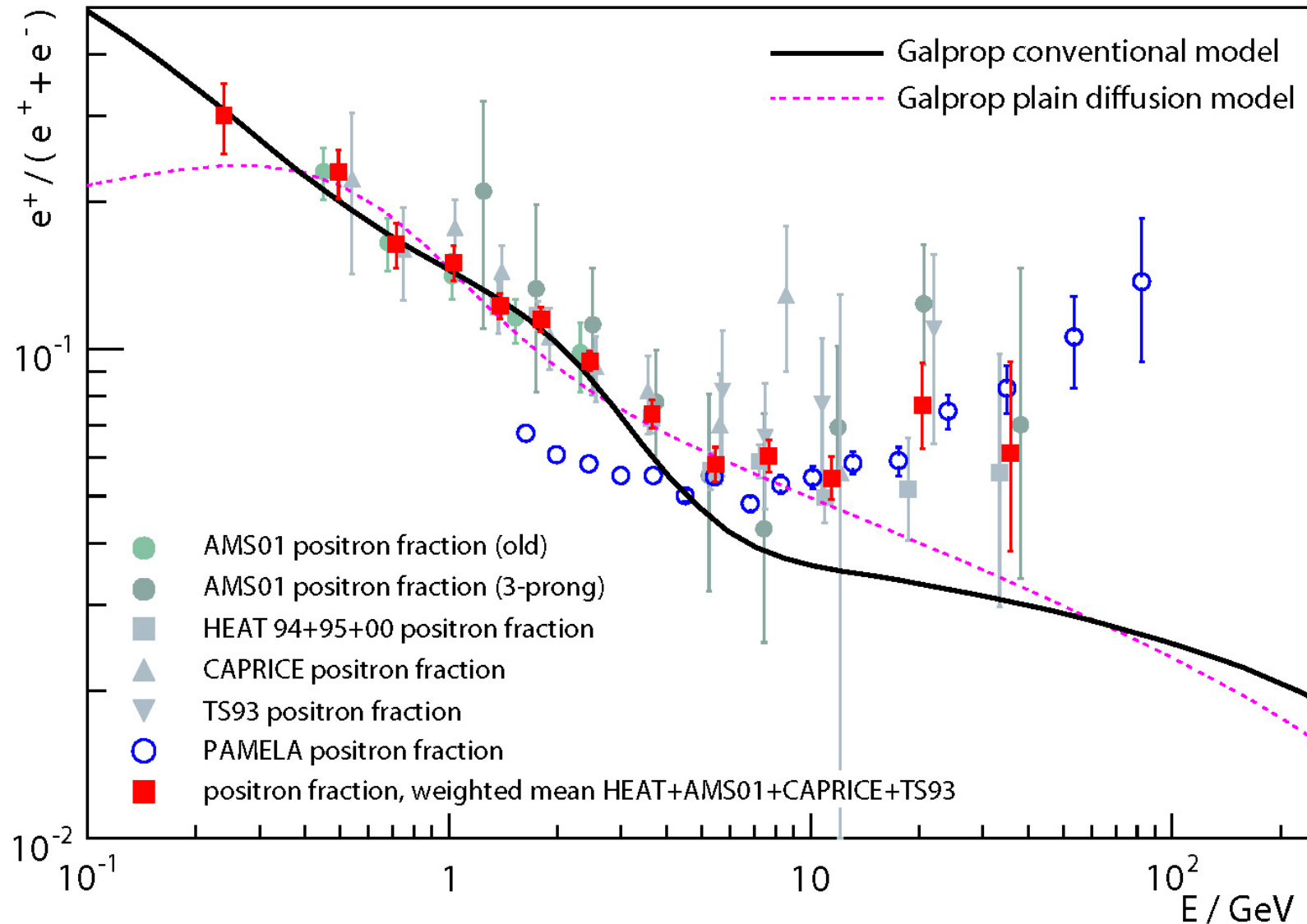


# Proton background

- 10 to 100 GeV region: Miss ID ( $p \rightarrow e^+$ )  $< 10^{-4}$  needed



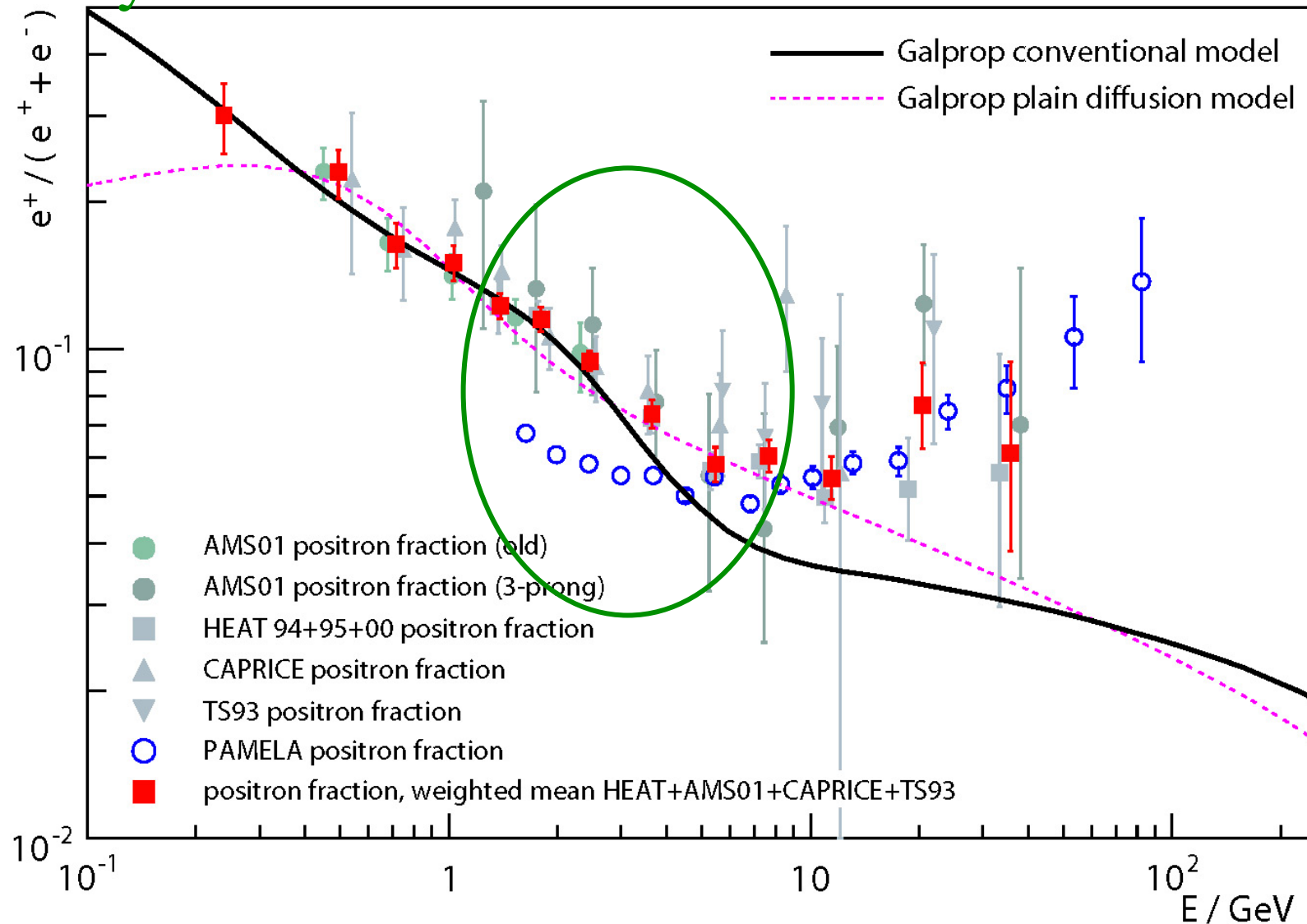
# Interesting signature with $e^+$





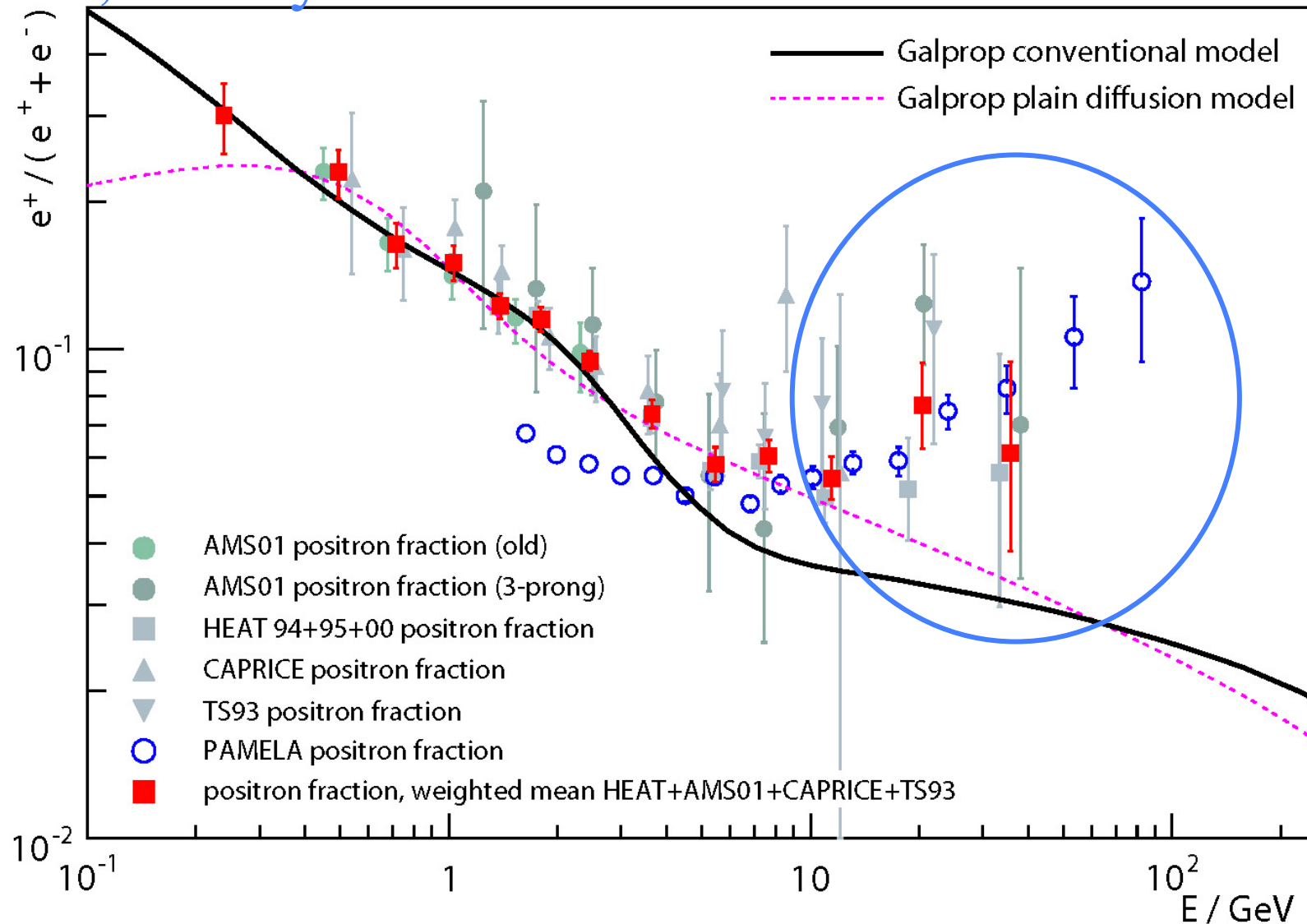
# Interesting signature with $e^+$

- Solar cycle effect?

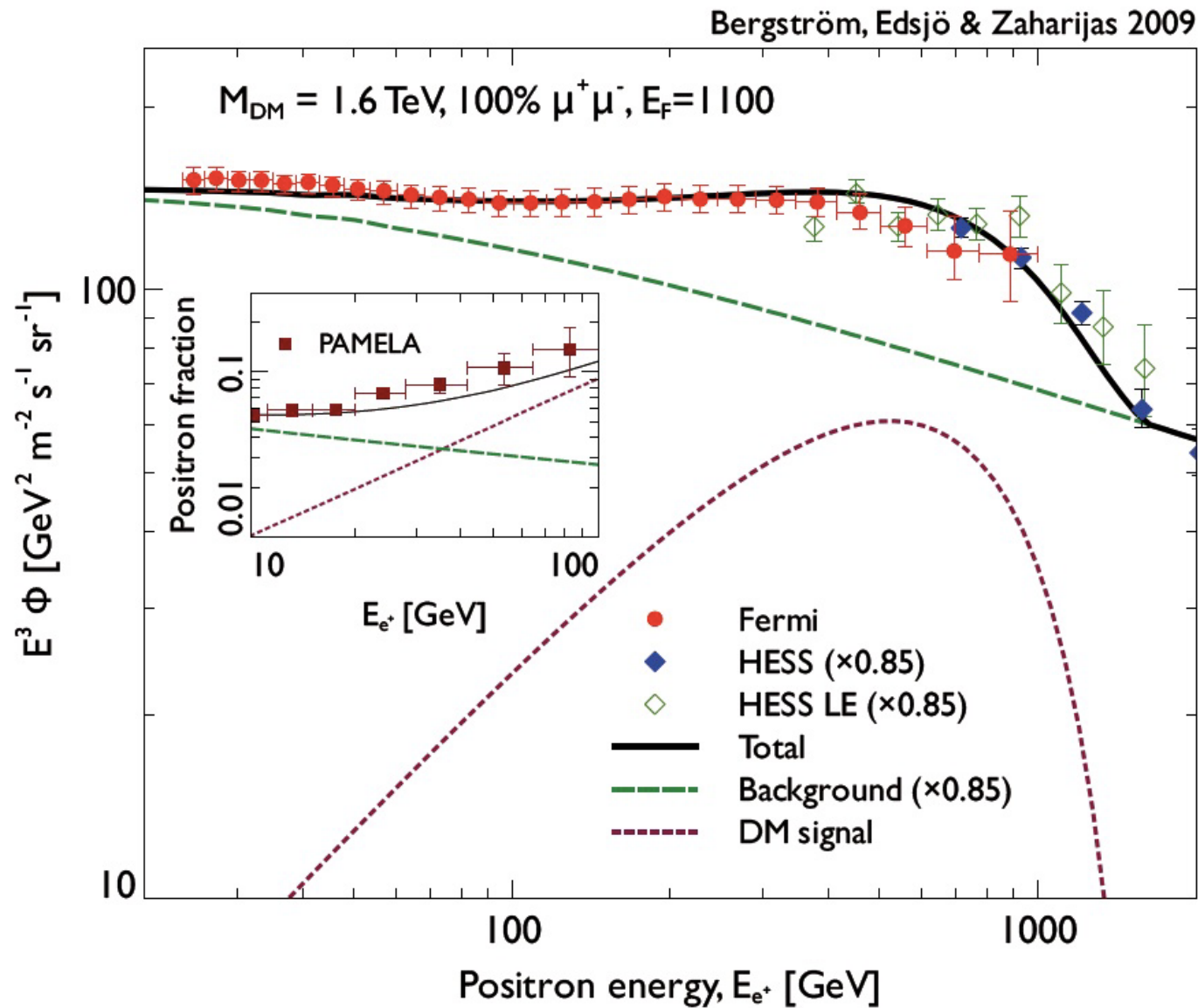


# Interesting signature with $e^+$

- Pulsar, or may be dark matter?



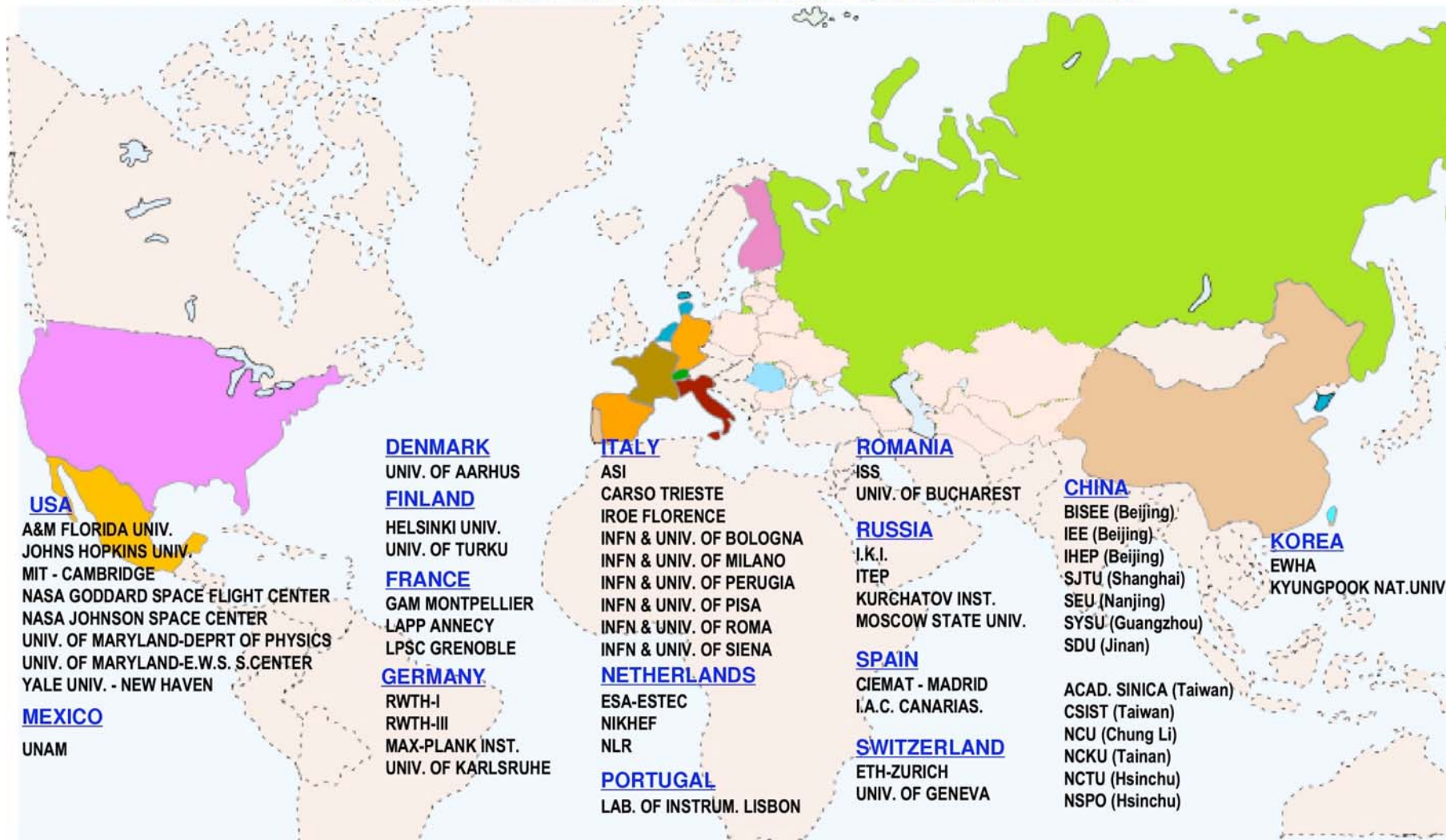
# Interesting signature with $e^+e^-$



# AMS collaboration

(from CH, ETHZ and Uni. Geneva)

**AMS is an International Collaboration**

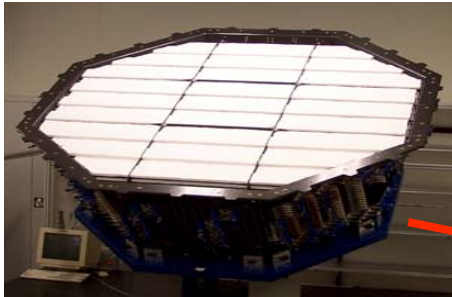


*~ 500 Collaborators from 56 institutes*

# AMS detector

TRD

$e$

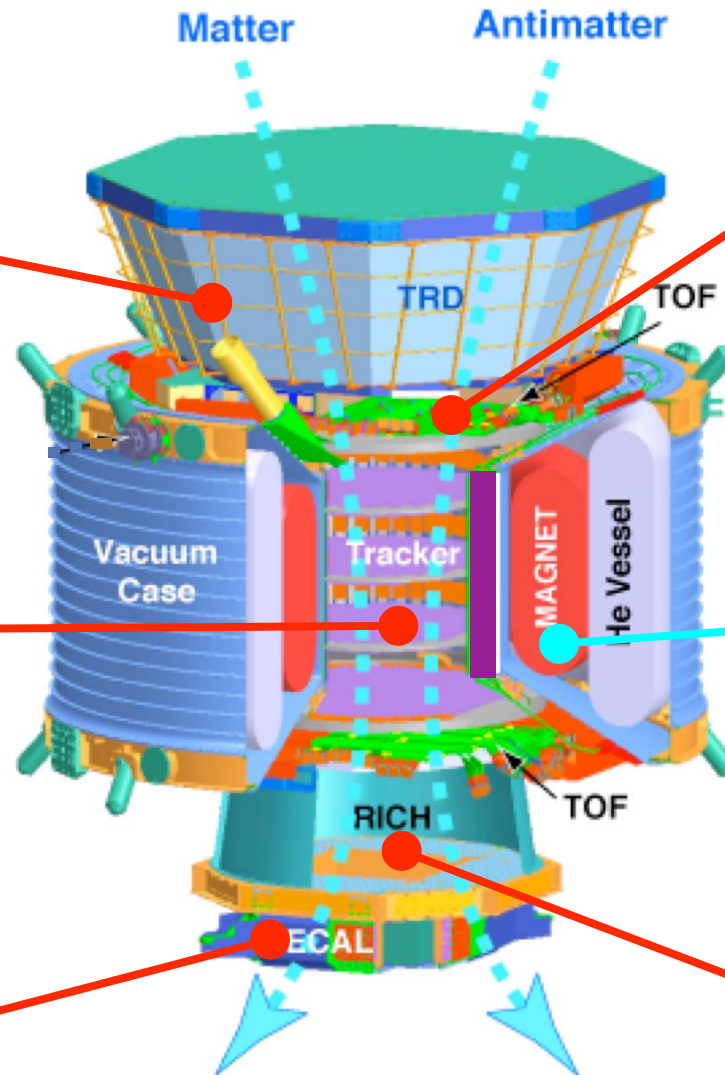


Matter

Antimatter

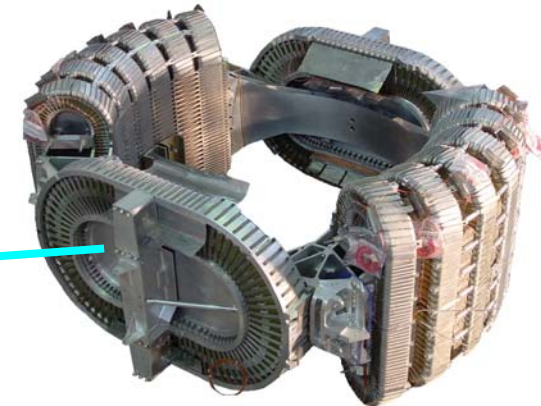
Time of Flight

$v, Z$



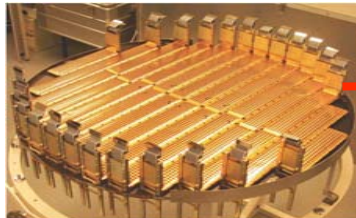
Magnet

$P$



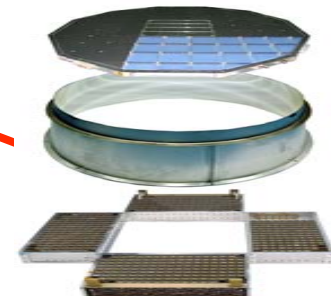
Silicon Tracker

$Z, P$



RICH

$v, Z$



Calorimeter

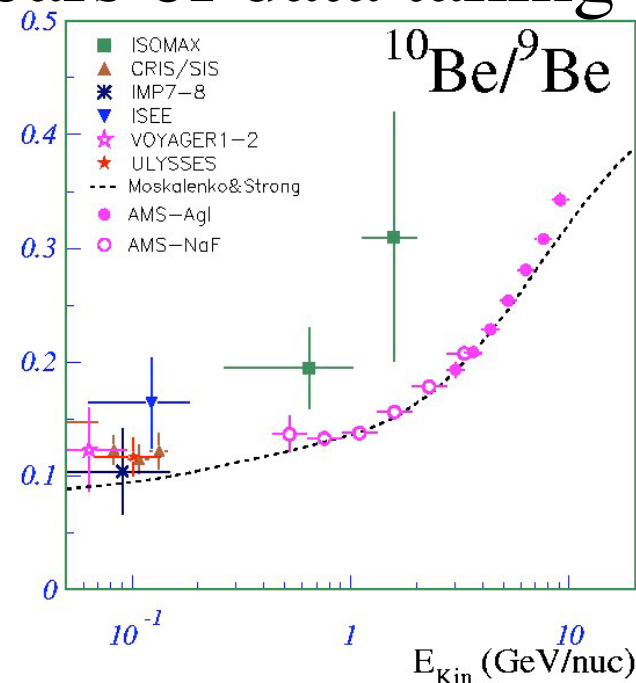
$e, \gamma$



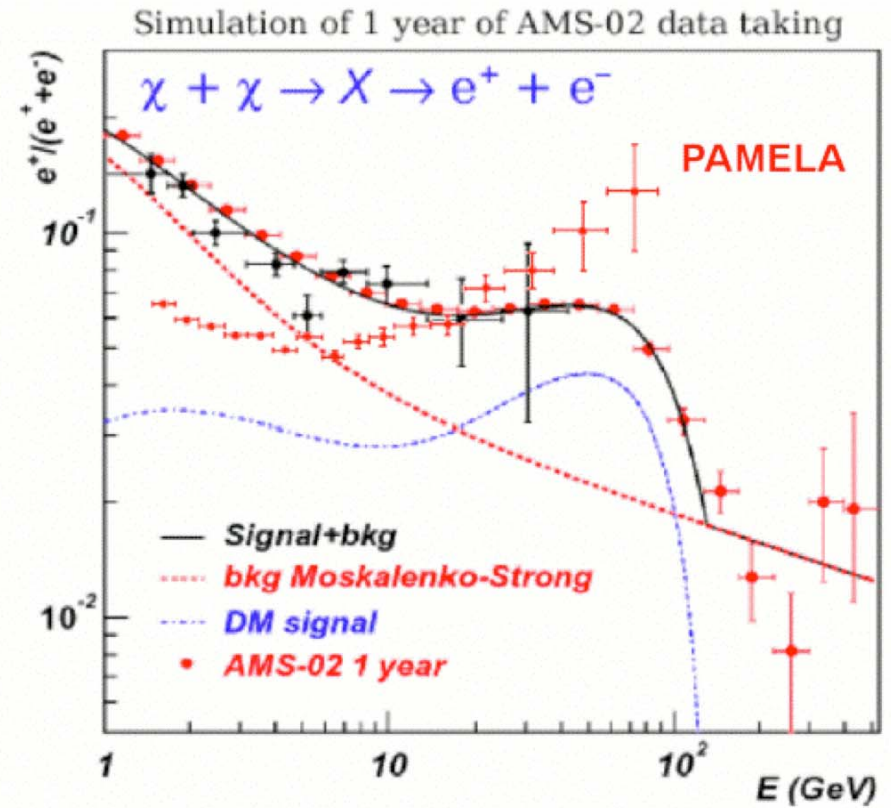
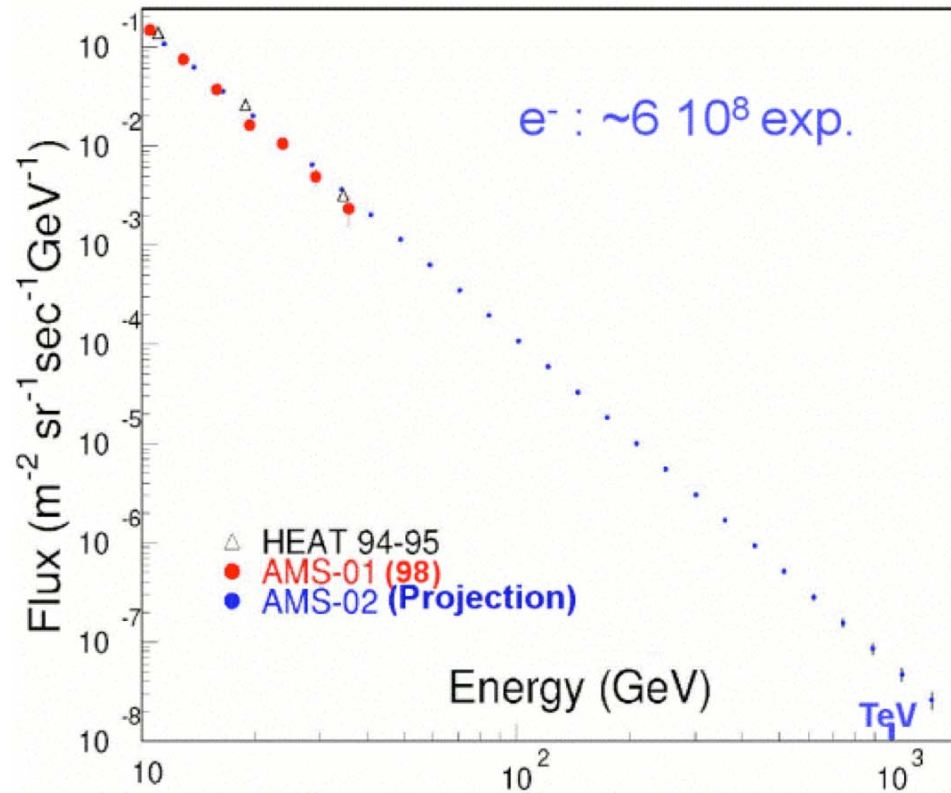
Size: 3m x 3m x 3m  
Weight: 7 tons (0.8 T)

# AMS-02

- The last component, superconductive magnet, being commissioned, and some modifications required.
- All the other subdetectors are ready
- Planned shuttle flight to the space station in Summer 2010 and  $\sim 3$  years of data taking
- $e^+$  flux up to 300 GeV
- $^{10}\text{Be}/^9\text{Be}$ ,  $^3\text{He}/^4\text{He}$  etc., up to 10 GeV (important to understand background for  $e^+$ )



# AMS-02



# What is needed after AMS?

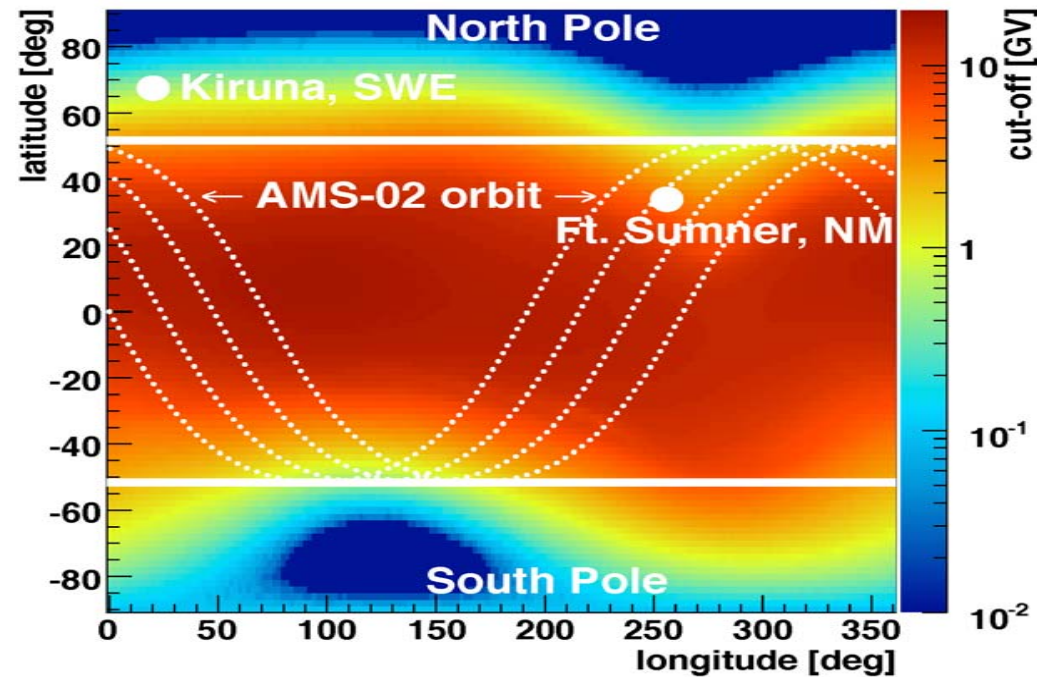
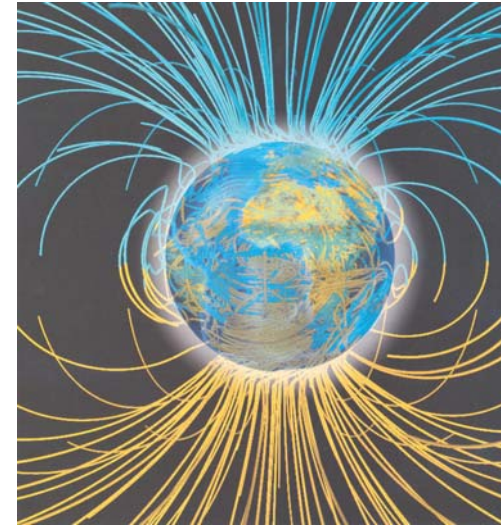
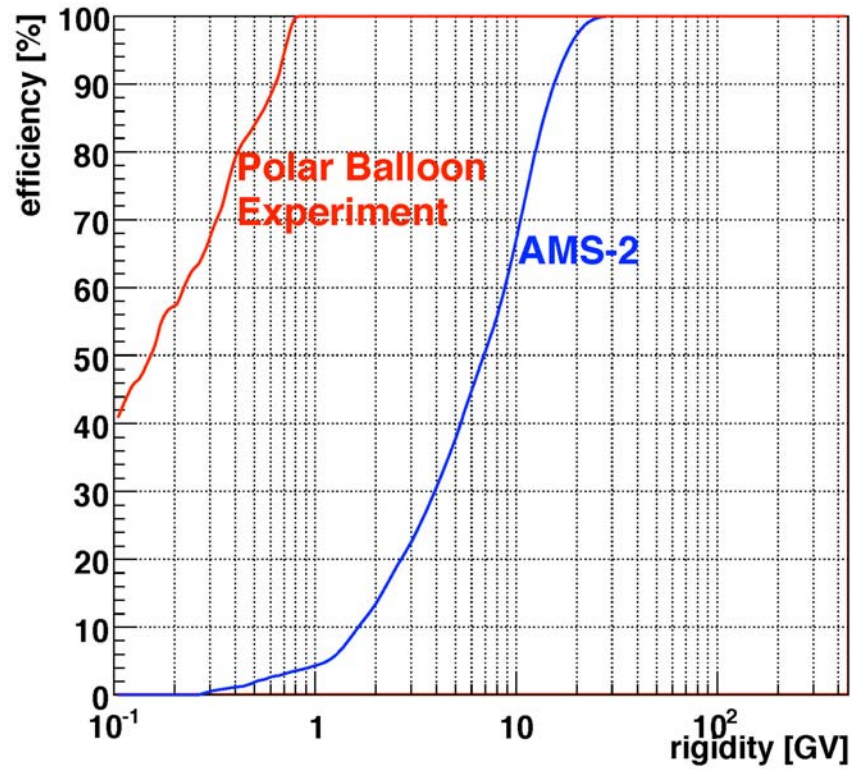
- $e^+$  flux measurement from  $\sim 1$  GeV to  $>1$  TeV
- $^3\text{He}/^4\text{He}$  measurement up to 100 GeV for better background understanding

They require

- A tracking system with much better  $\Delta p/p$  than AMS
- Well understood energy calibration
- Data taking in the polar region for low energy  $e^+$

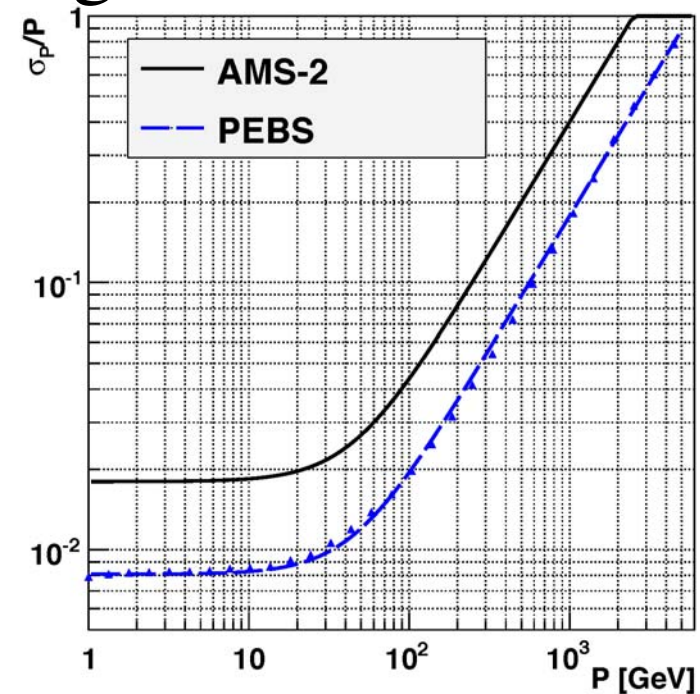
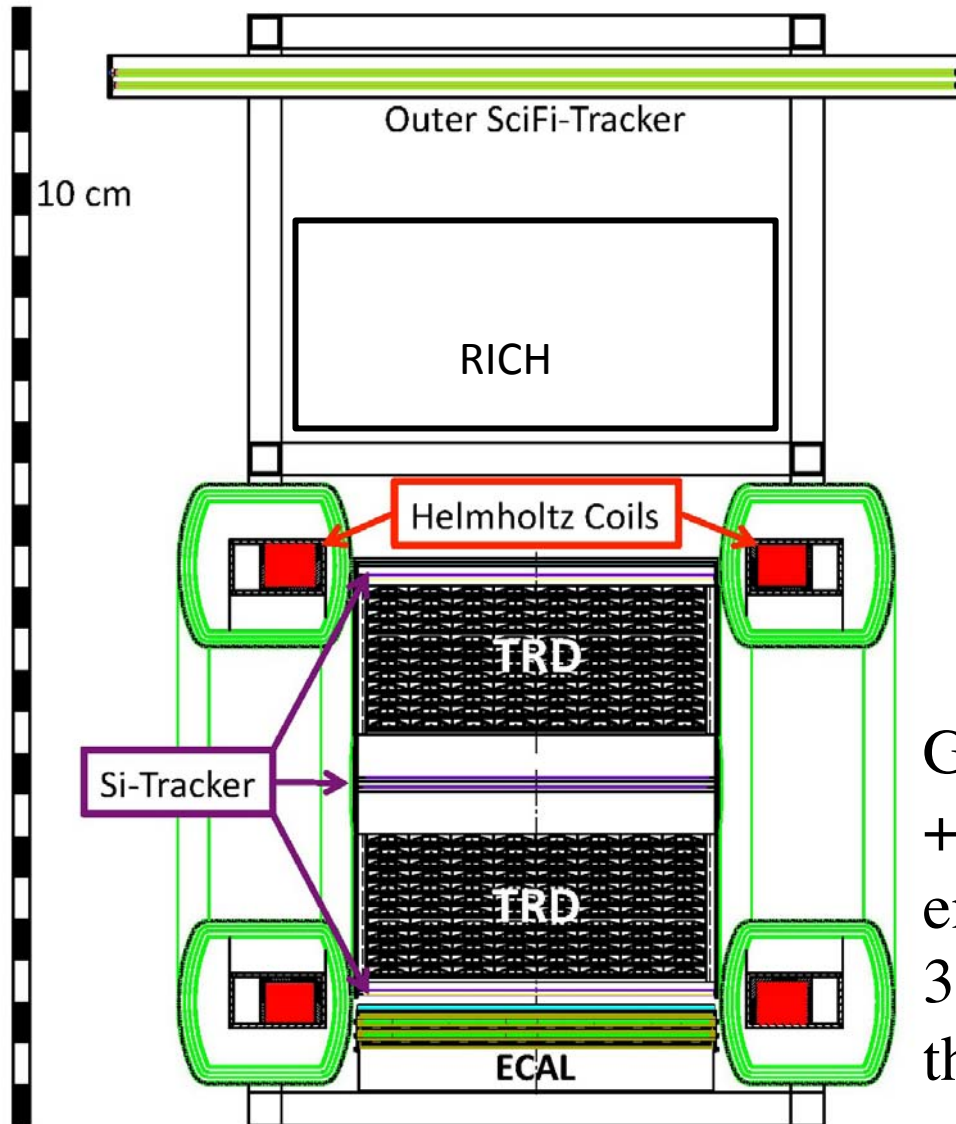


# Energy cut-off



# Positron Electron Balloon Spectrometer

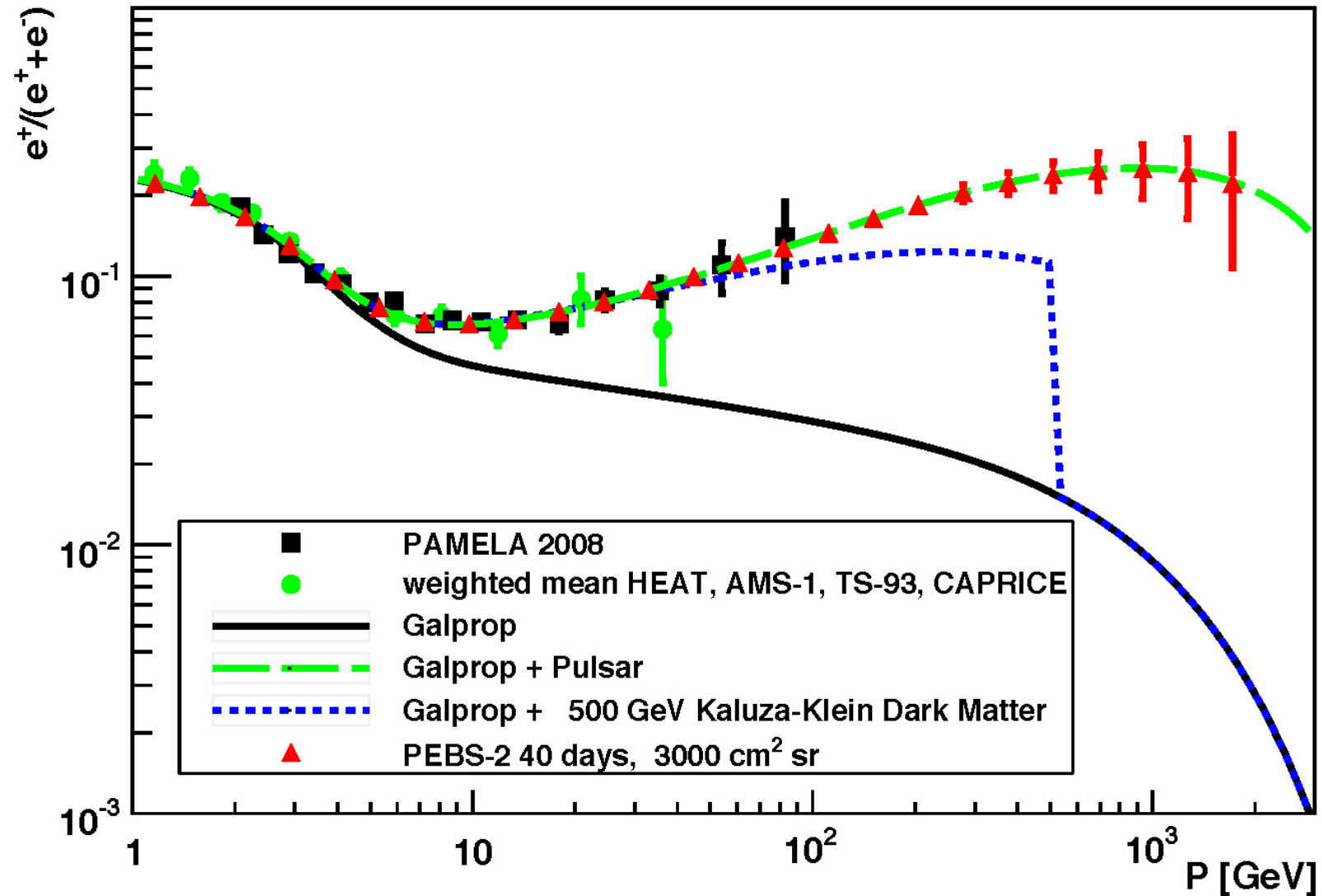
## Combination of Si and scintillating-fibre trackers



Good  $\Delta p/p$  due to a large lever-arm  
+/- separation up to 1 TeV  
energy measurement with Ecal  
3.5 (150) times larger acceptance  
than AMS-2 (PAMELA)

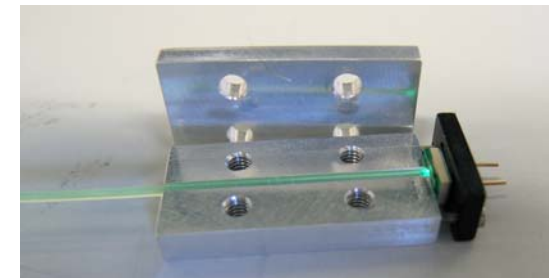
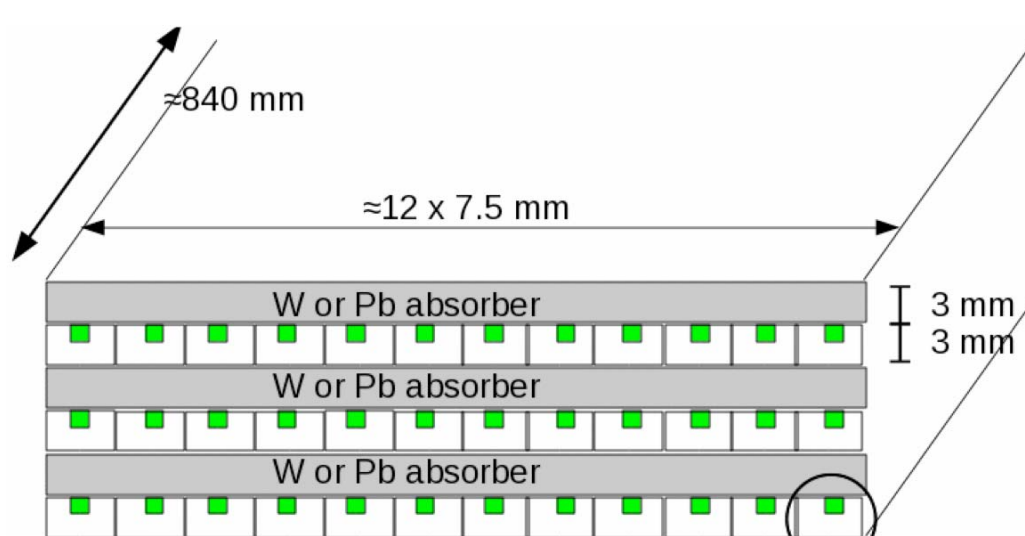
# PEBS expectation

Spectra corrected for solar modulation



# PEBS CH contribution

- Collaborating institute for PEBS
  - China (Tsinghua University)
  - CH (EPFL, ETHZ)
  - DE (Aachen)
  - US (Chicago, Ohio)
- CH contribution: W+scintillator E-cal with MPPC (Si-PMT) readout



# PEBS Status

- Proposal to NASA has been submitted: if accepted, NASA will cover all the cost for the balloon launch plus US detector contribution (5-year programme)
- For the non-US participants, NASA demands a guarantee for their contribution in the proposal. We cannot ask funding unless the balloon would fly...
- Our proposal consists of PEBS Phase-1 with permanent magnet and only scintillating-fibre tracker, not better than AMS but “can be financed” locally, and Phase-2, full programme requires extra funding

# Summary

- With PAMELA, and recently ATIC and Fermi,  $e^+$  or  $(e^+ + e^-)$  flux indicates an interesting signature, which might be related to dark matter.
- AMS-02 will improve the PAMELA result and provide nucleus ratios to understand the background spectrum
- PEBS is designed to measure  $e^+$  flux from  $\sim 1\text{GeV}$  to  $>1\text{TeV}$  to provide much clearer picture to understand whether there is a sign of dark matter.