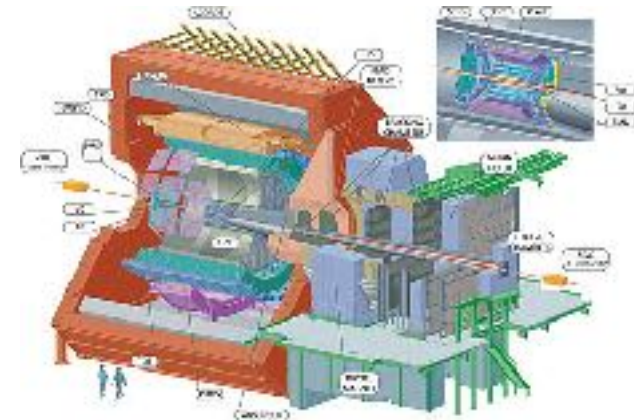


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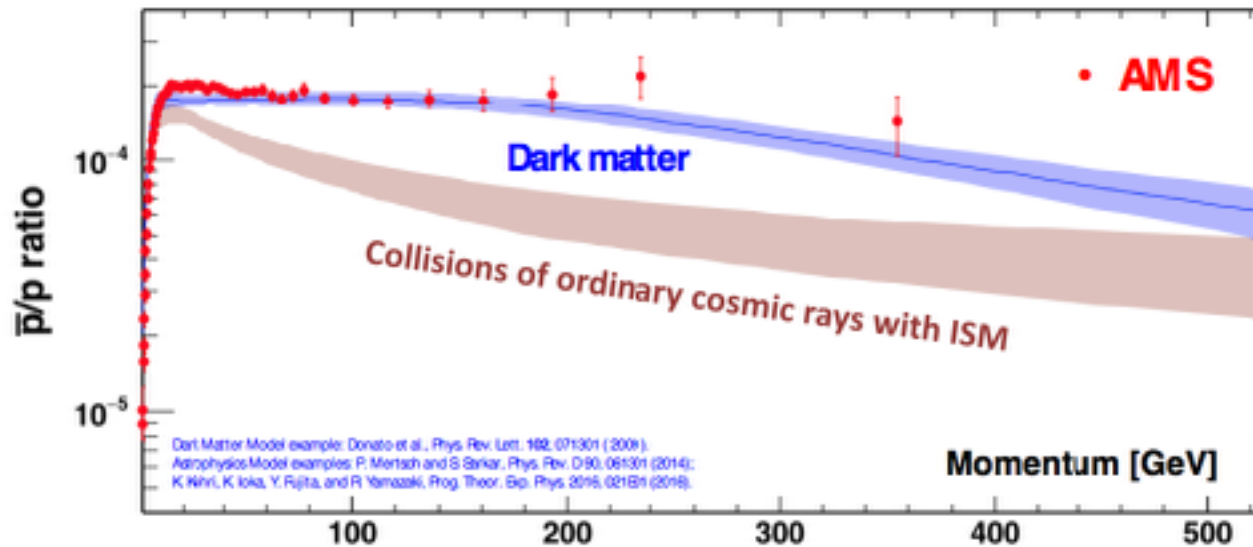
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Antiproton-to-proton ratio



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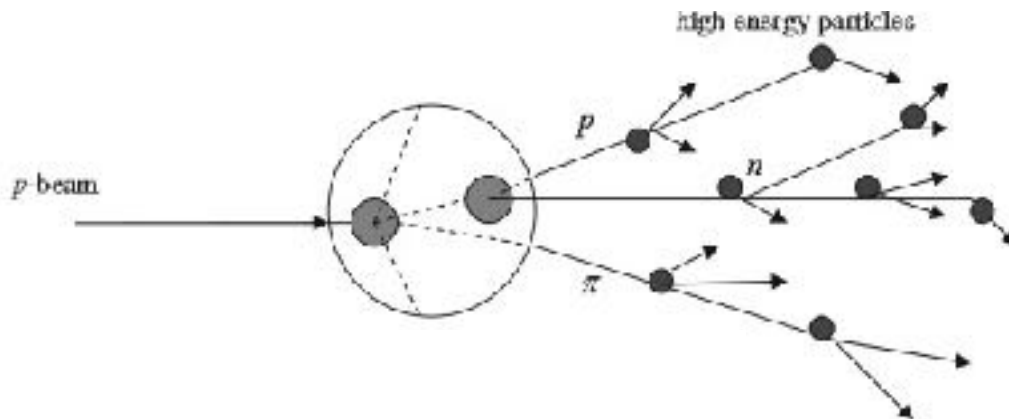
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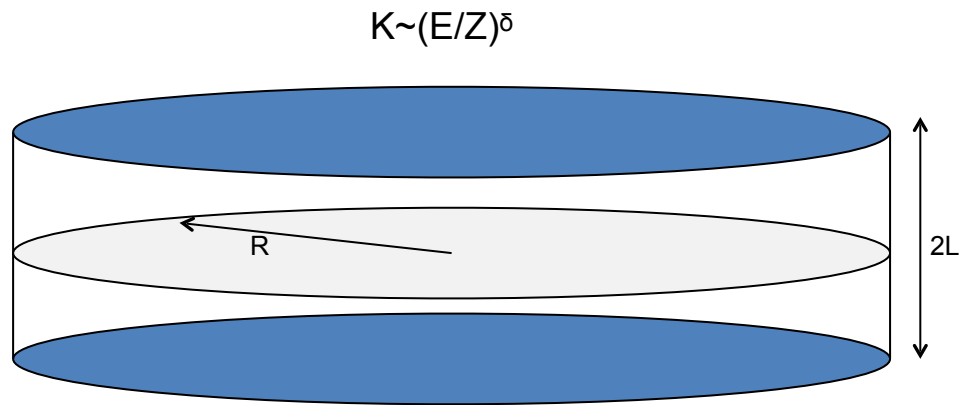
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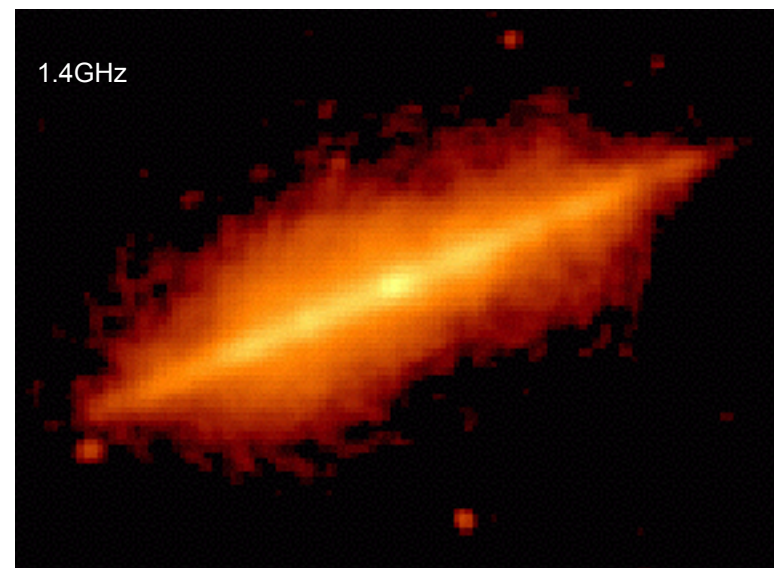
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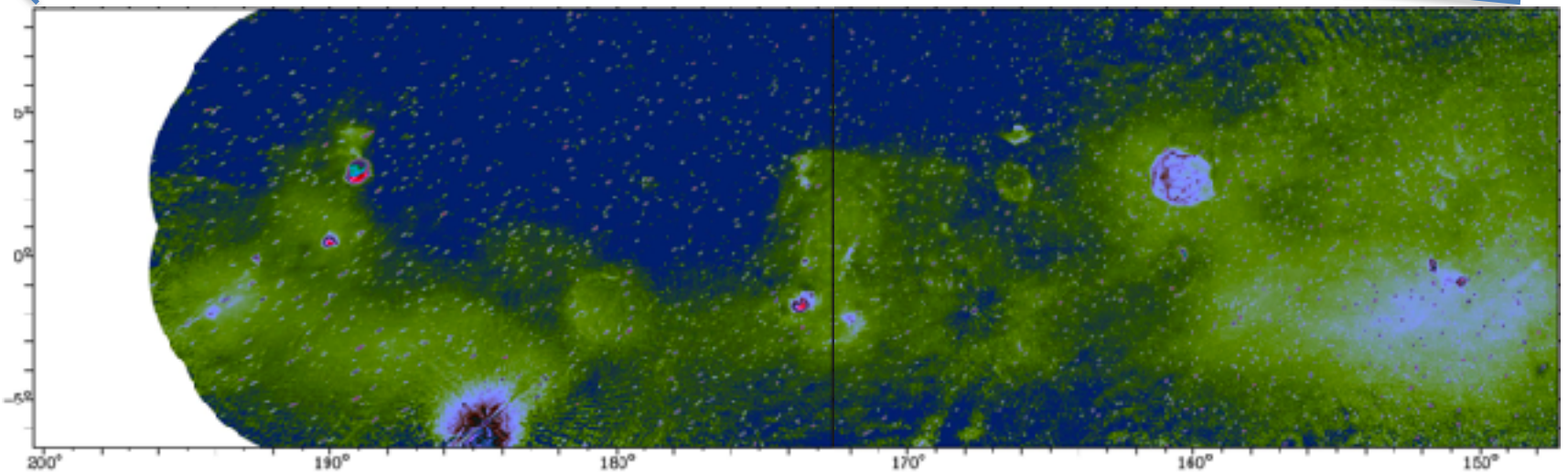
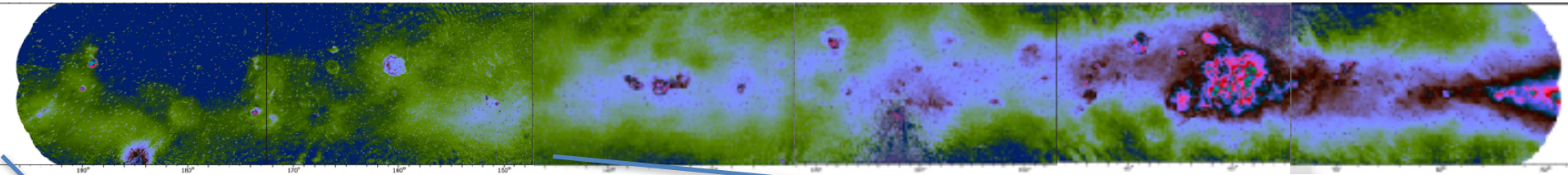
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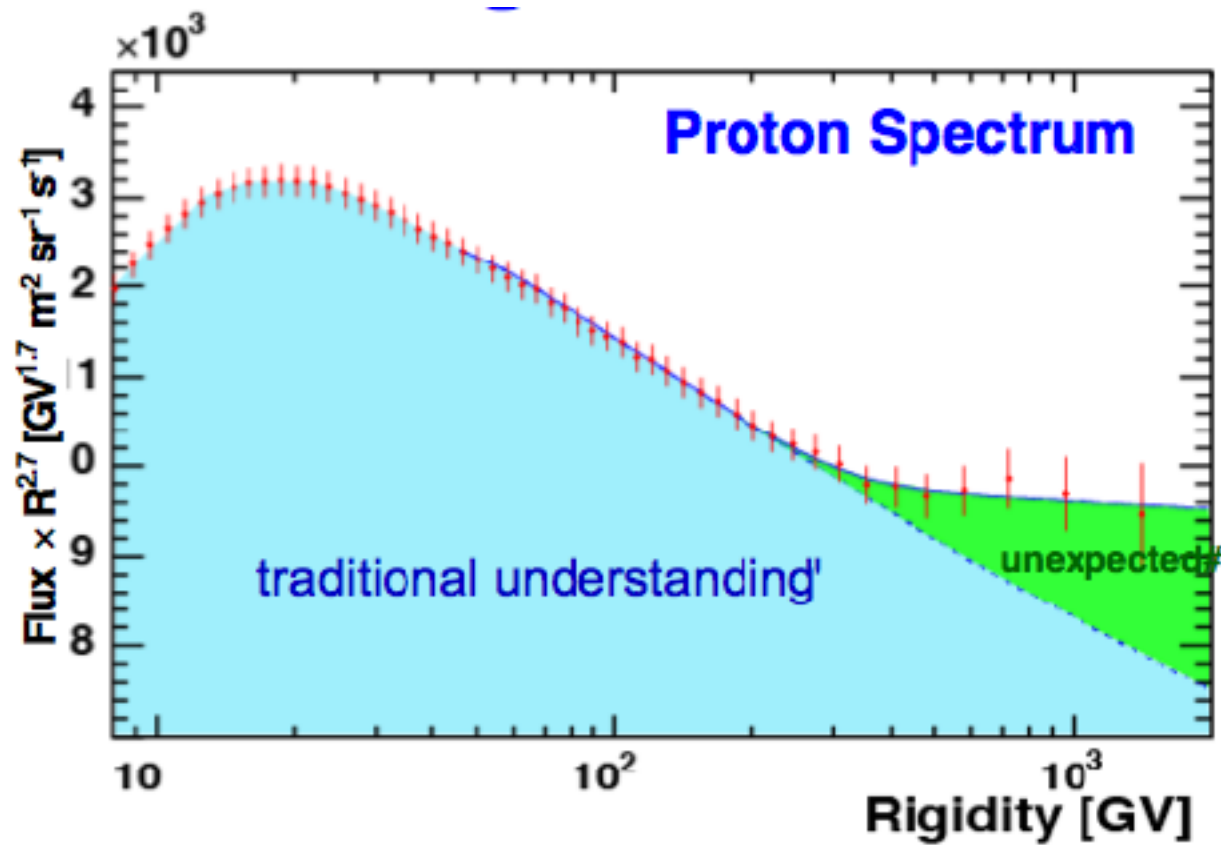


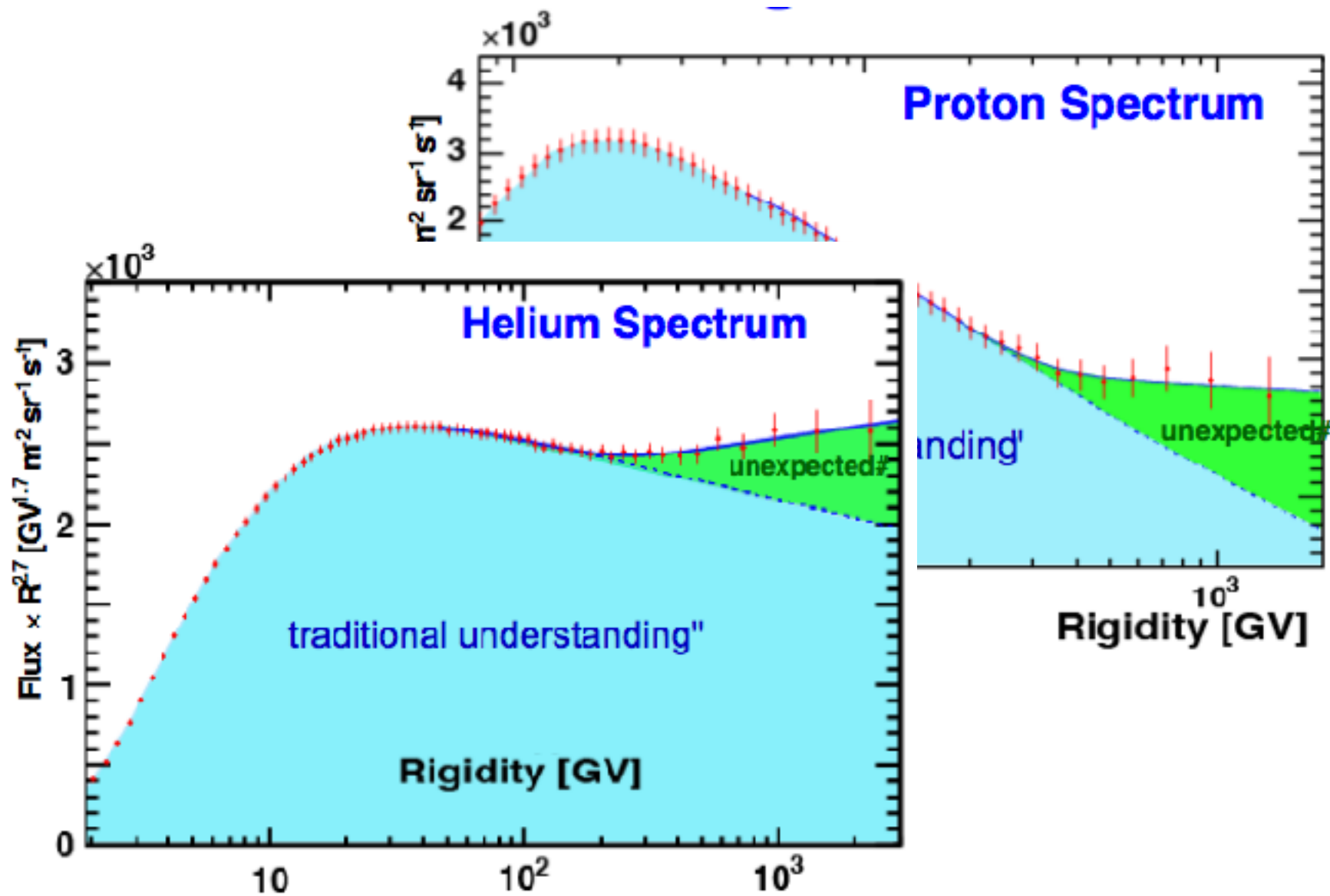
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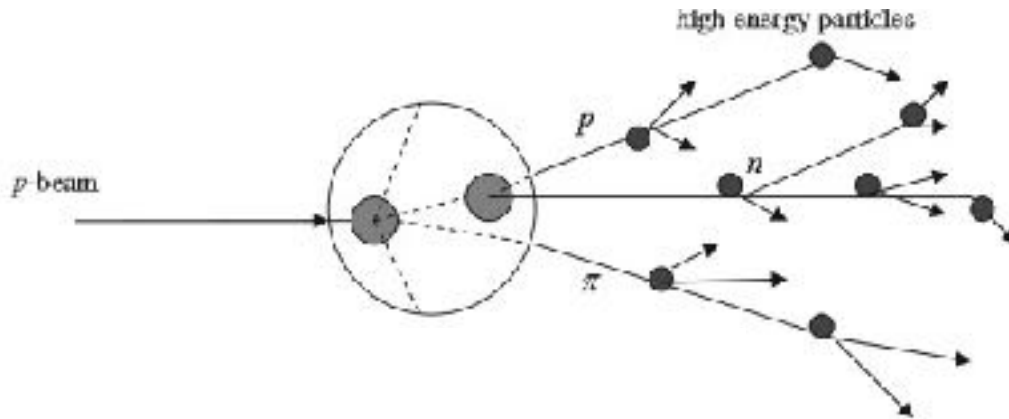




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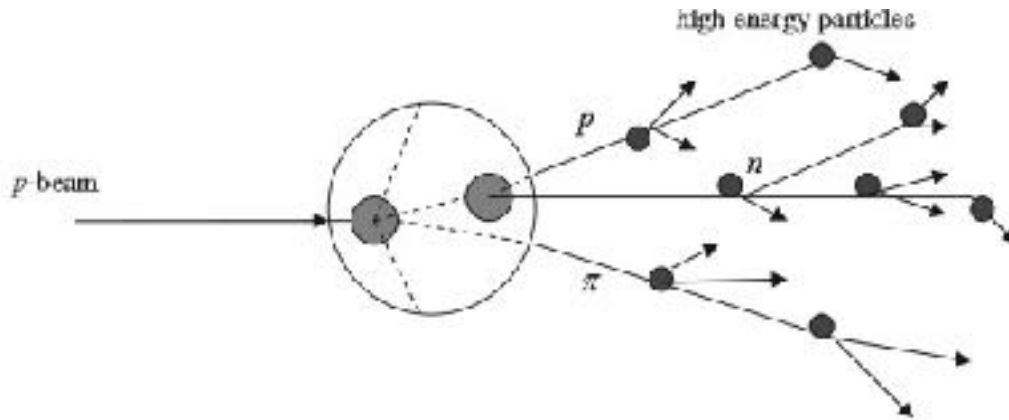
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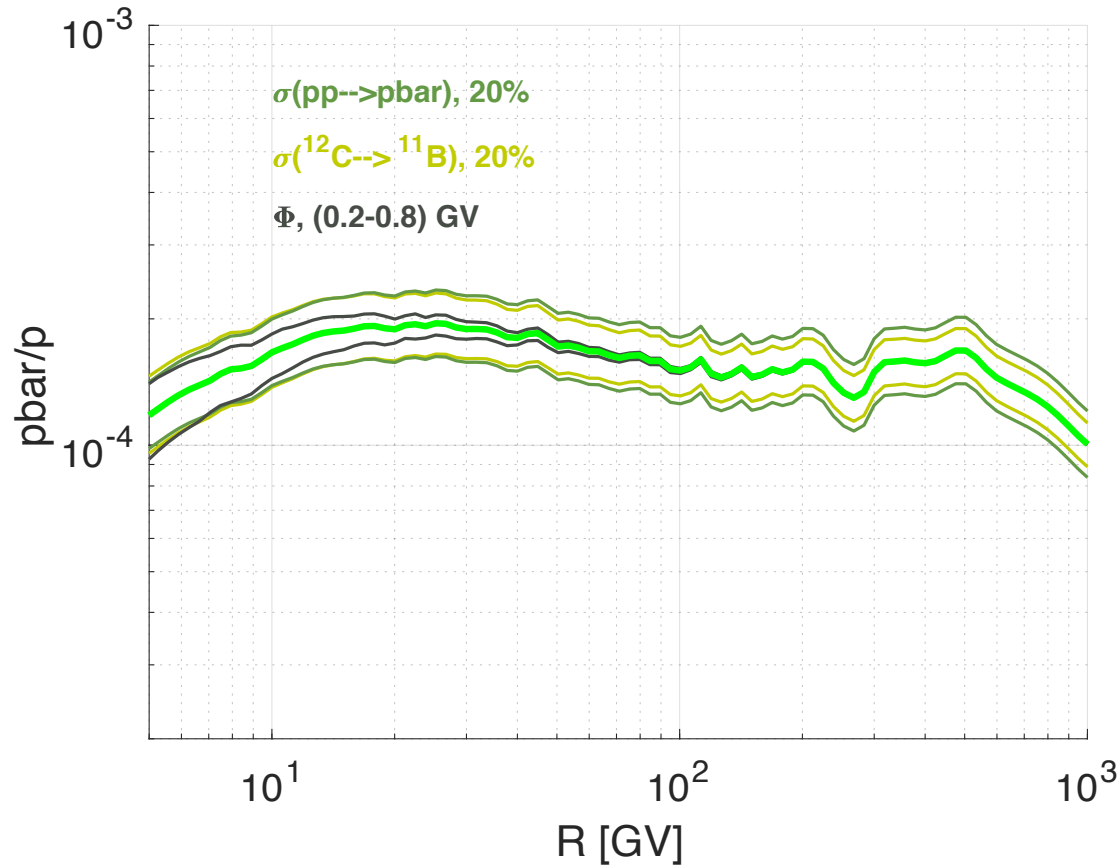
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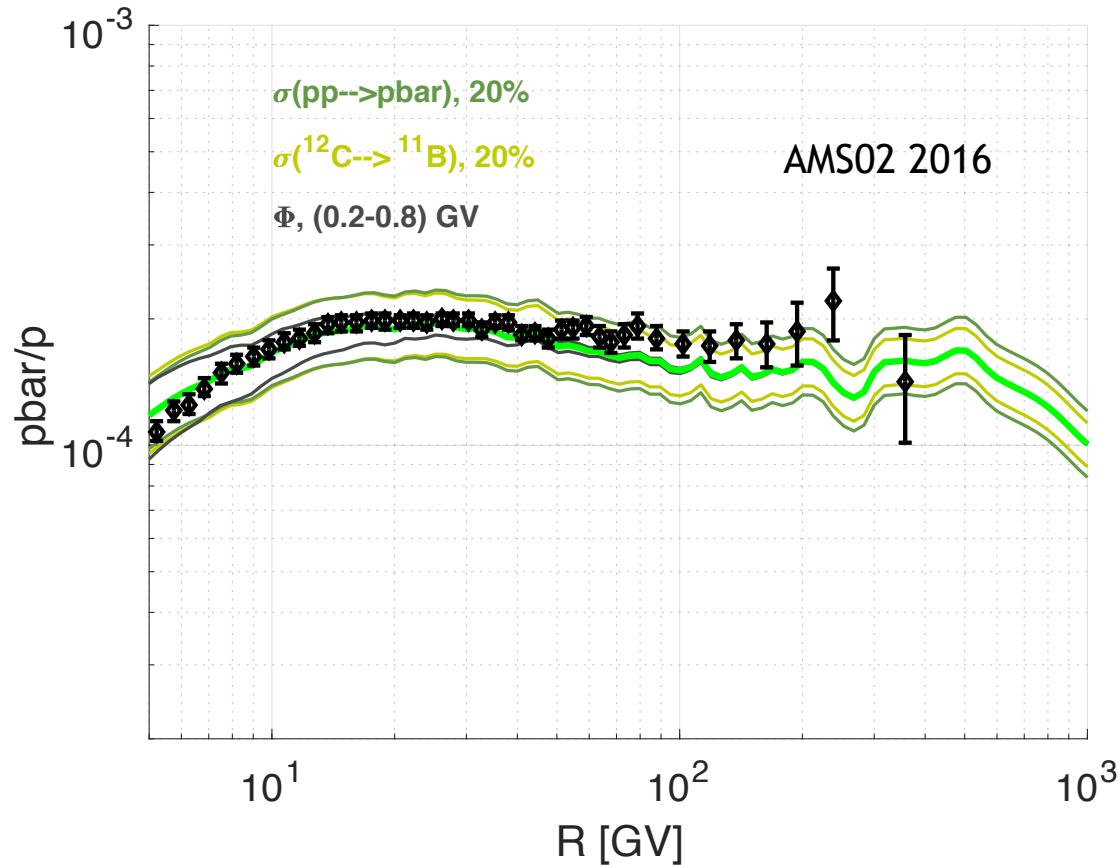
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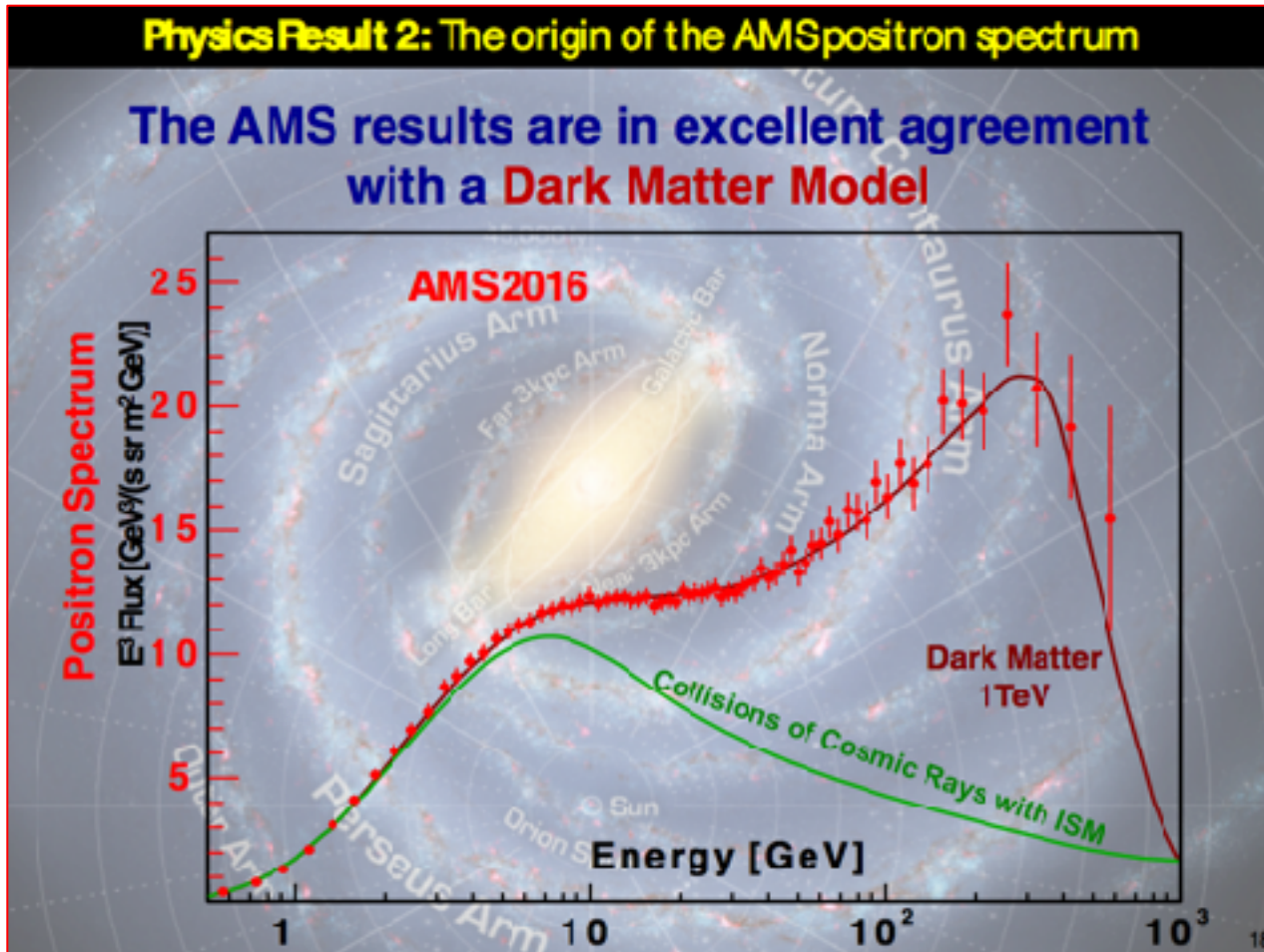
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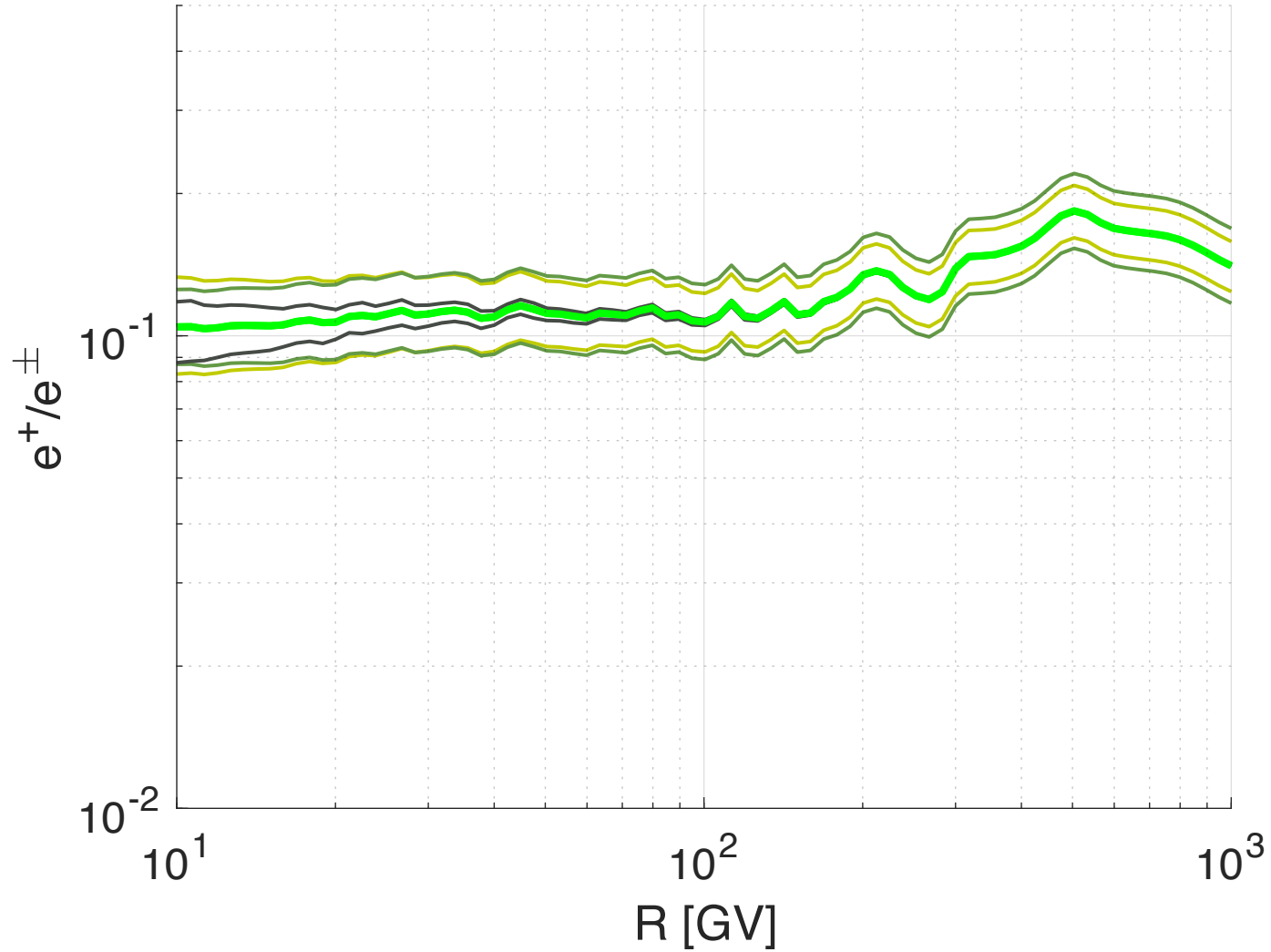
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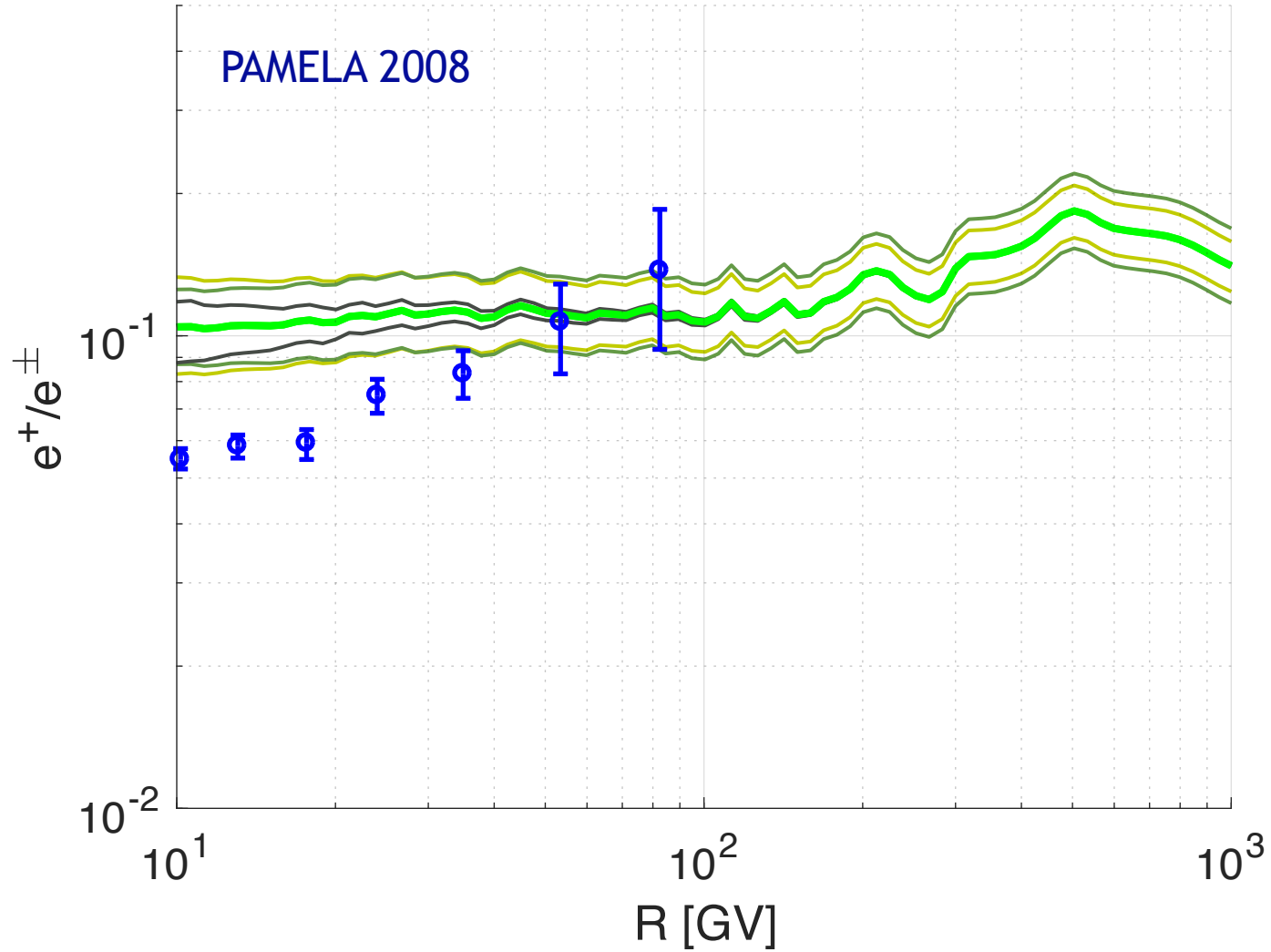
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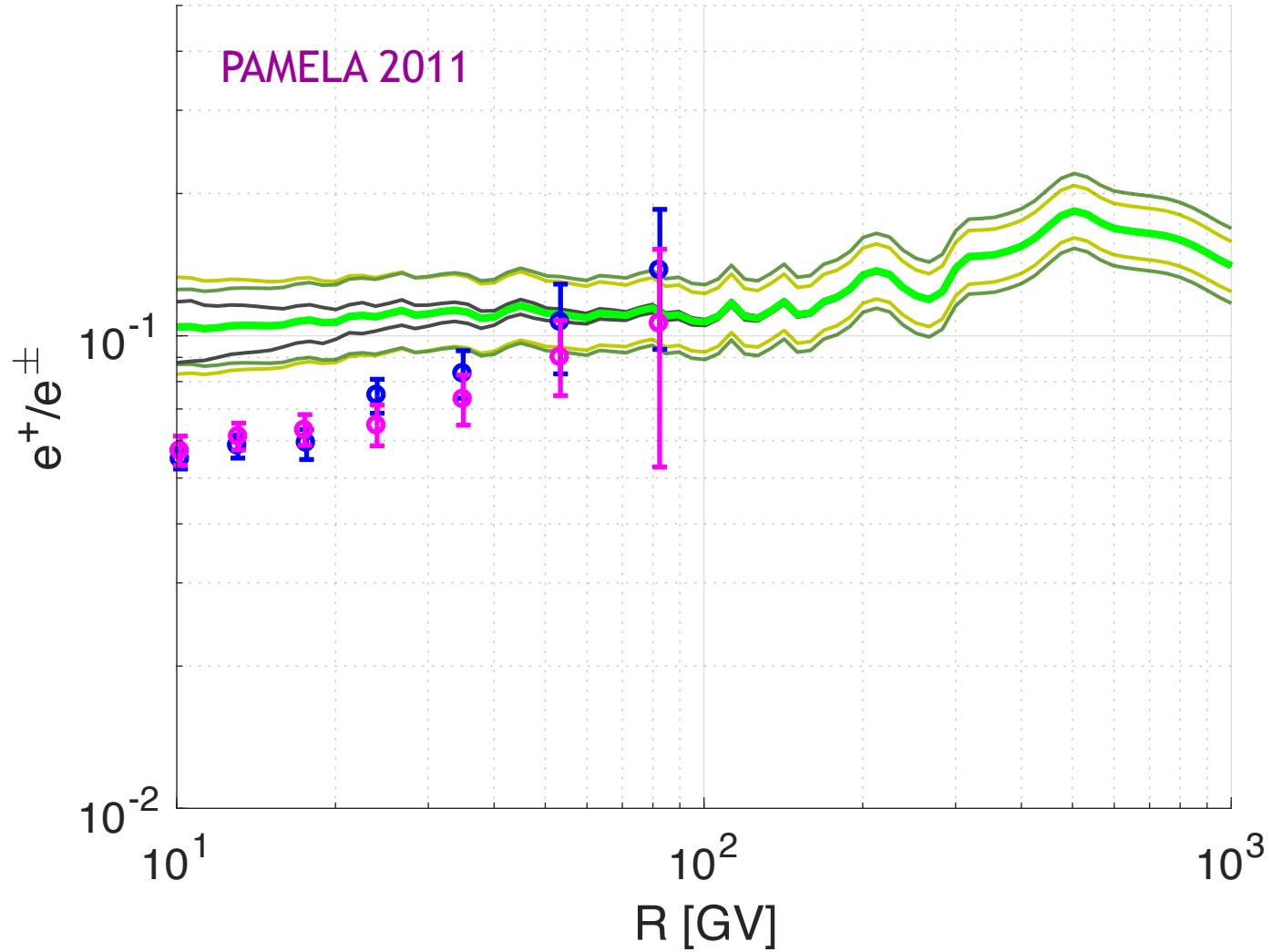
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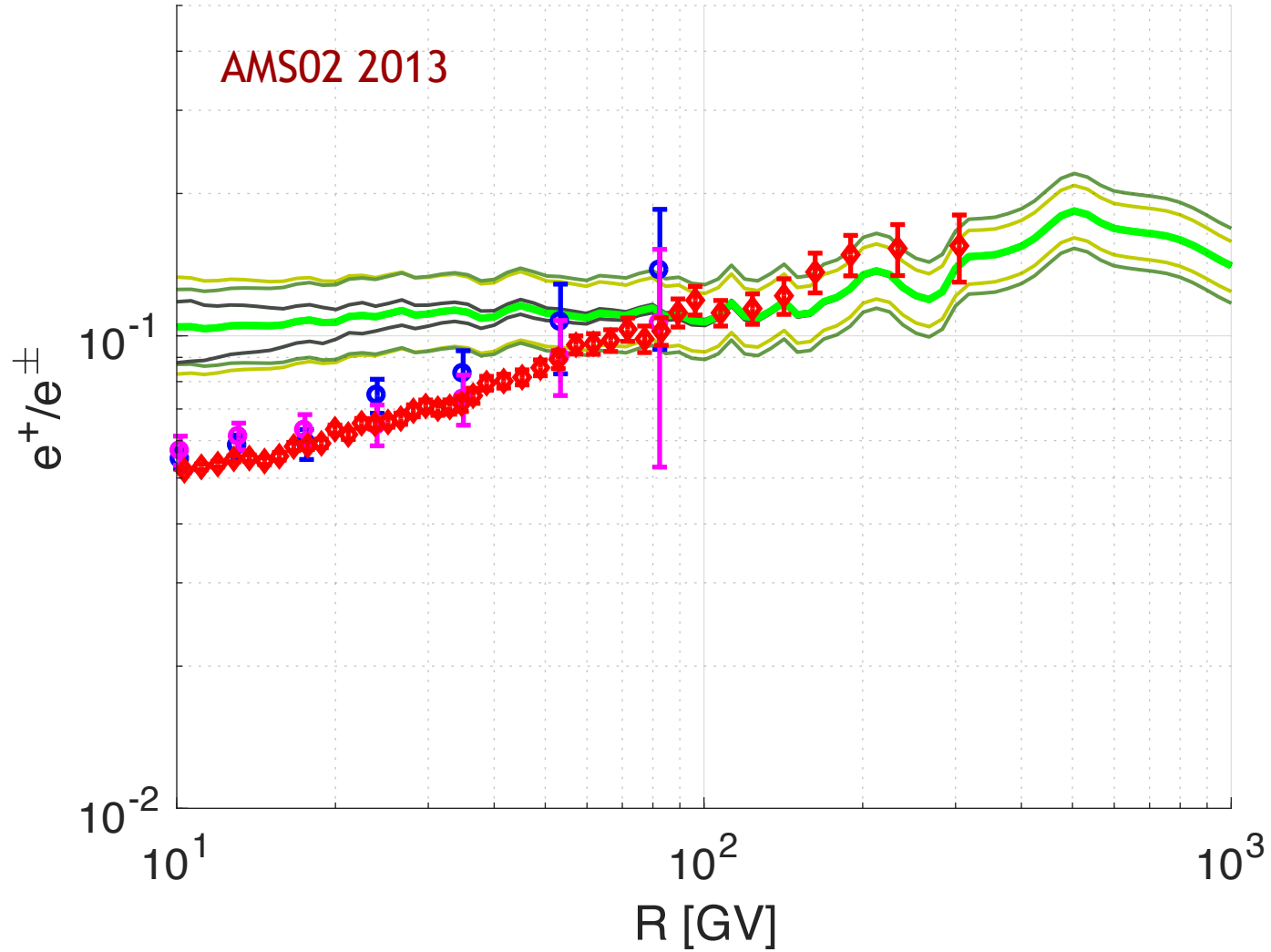
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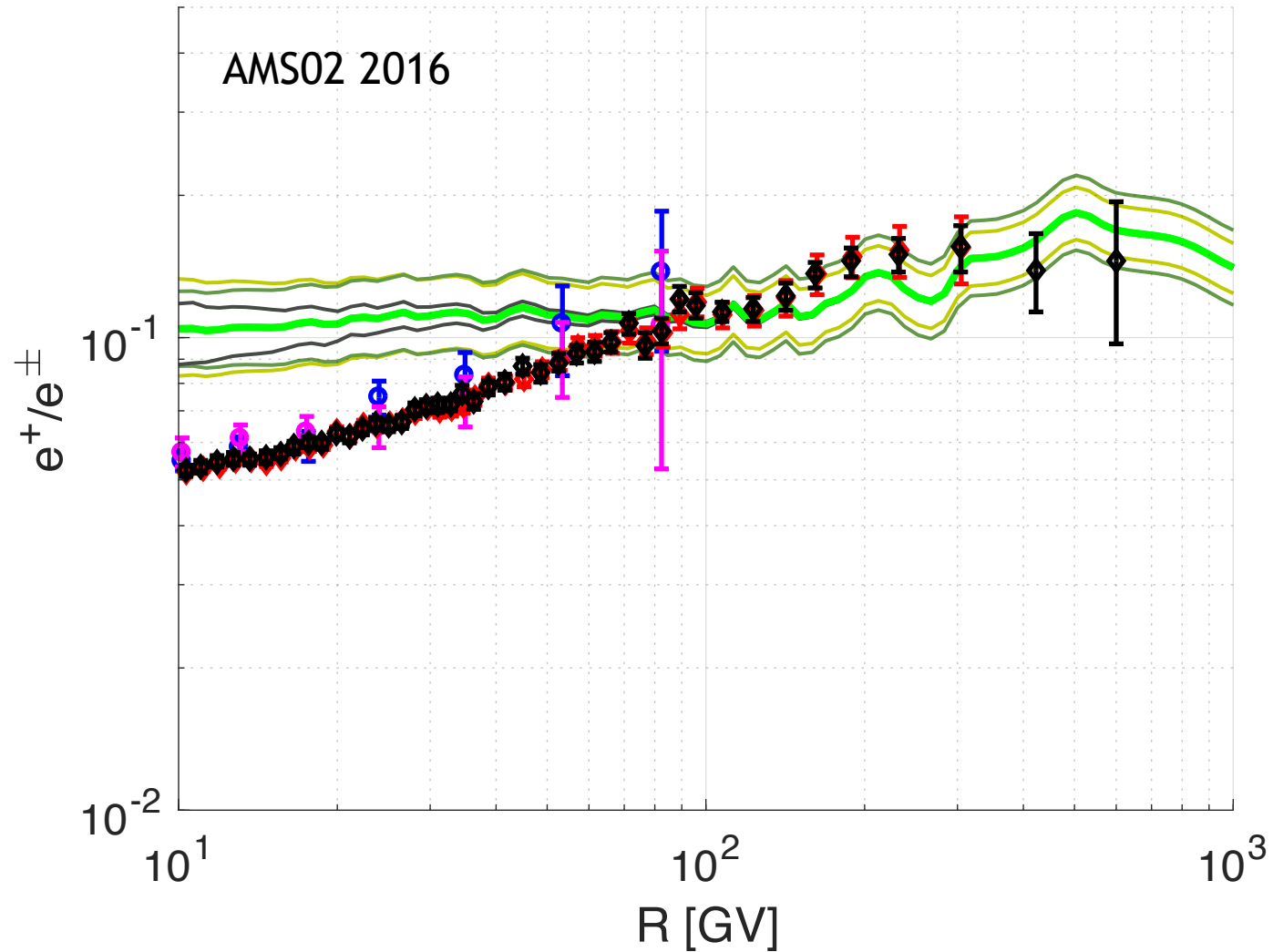
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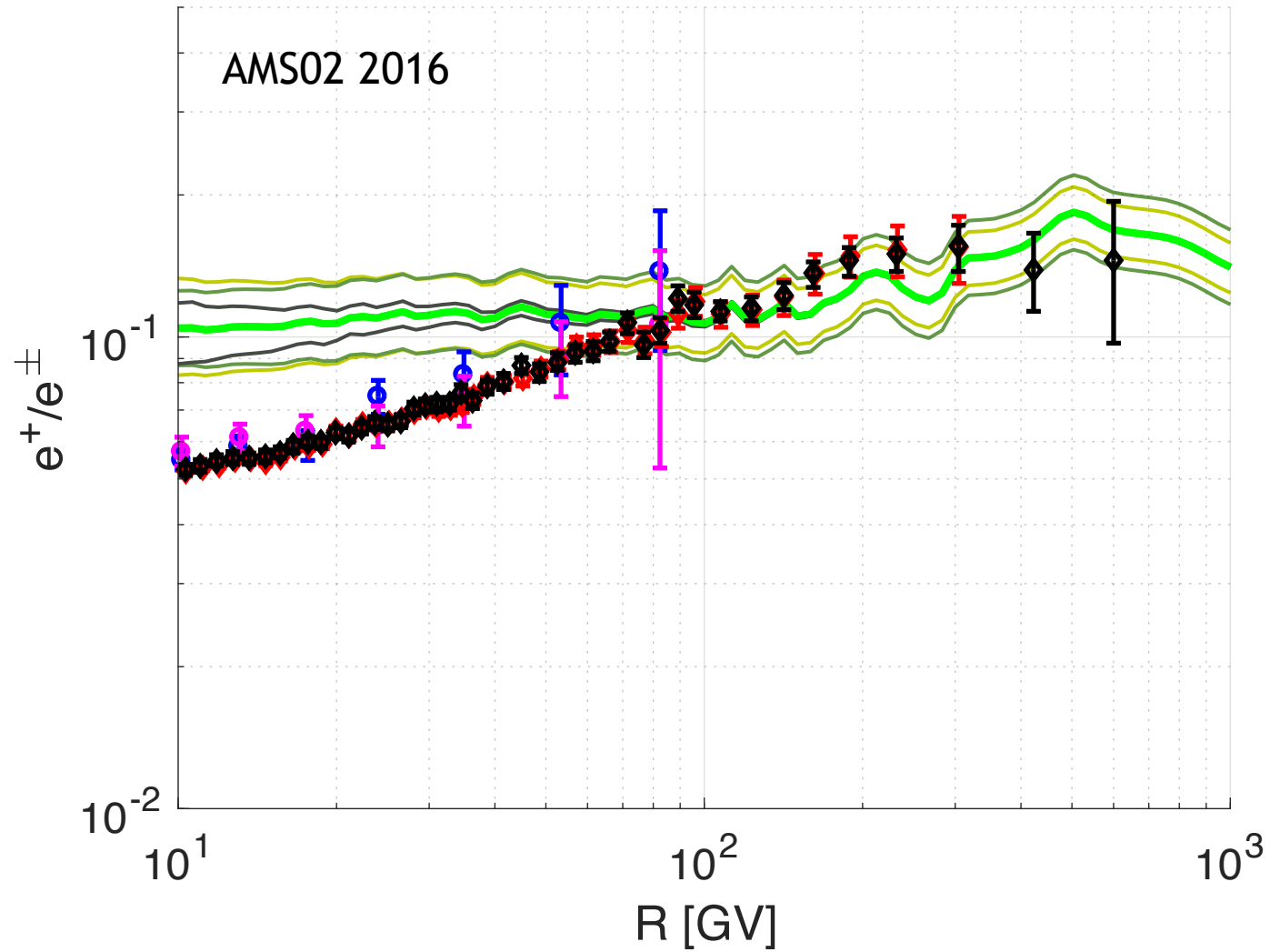


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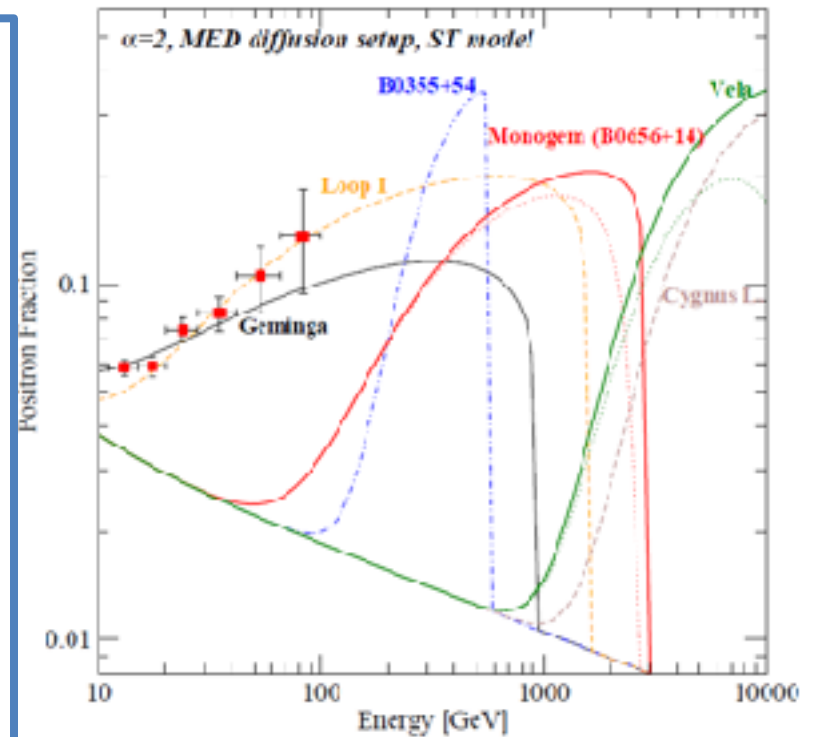
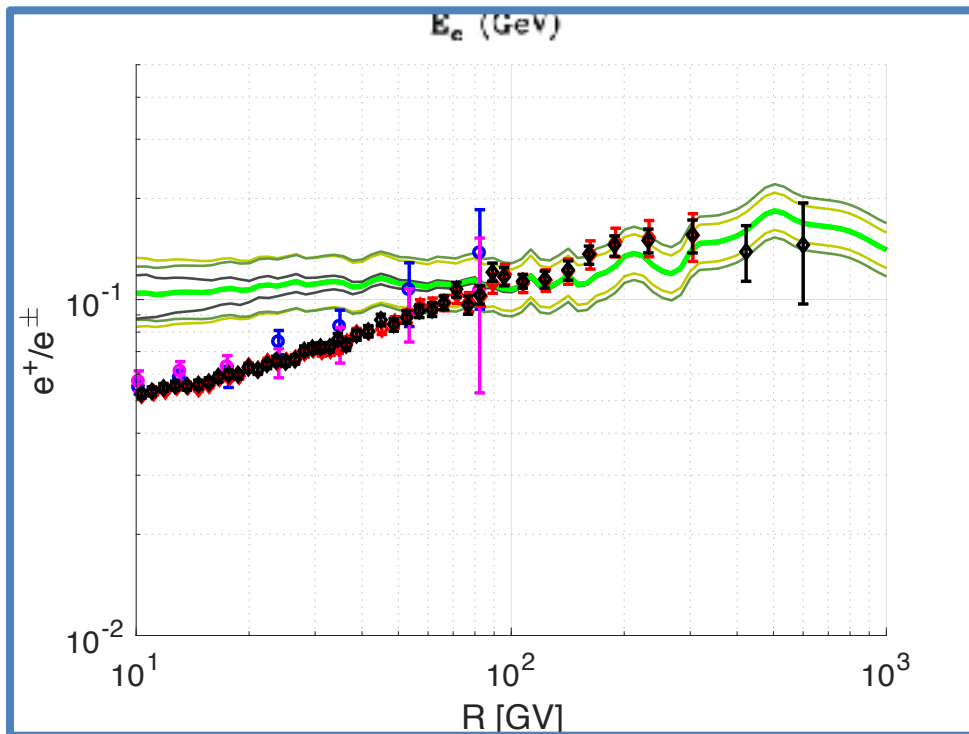
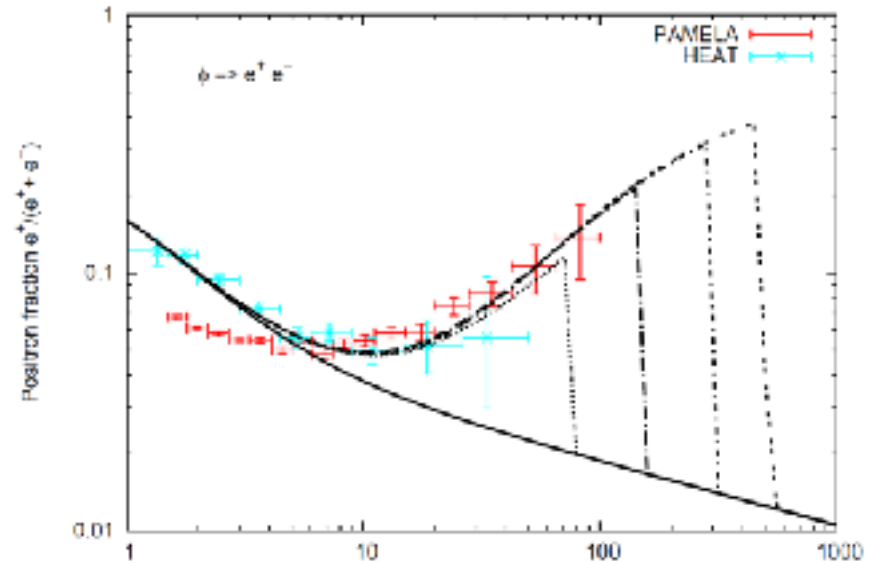
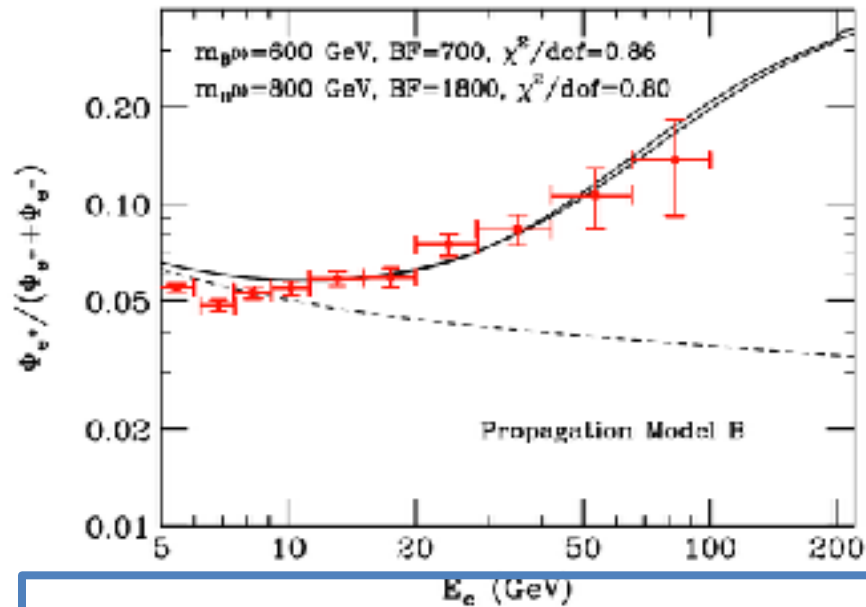
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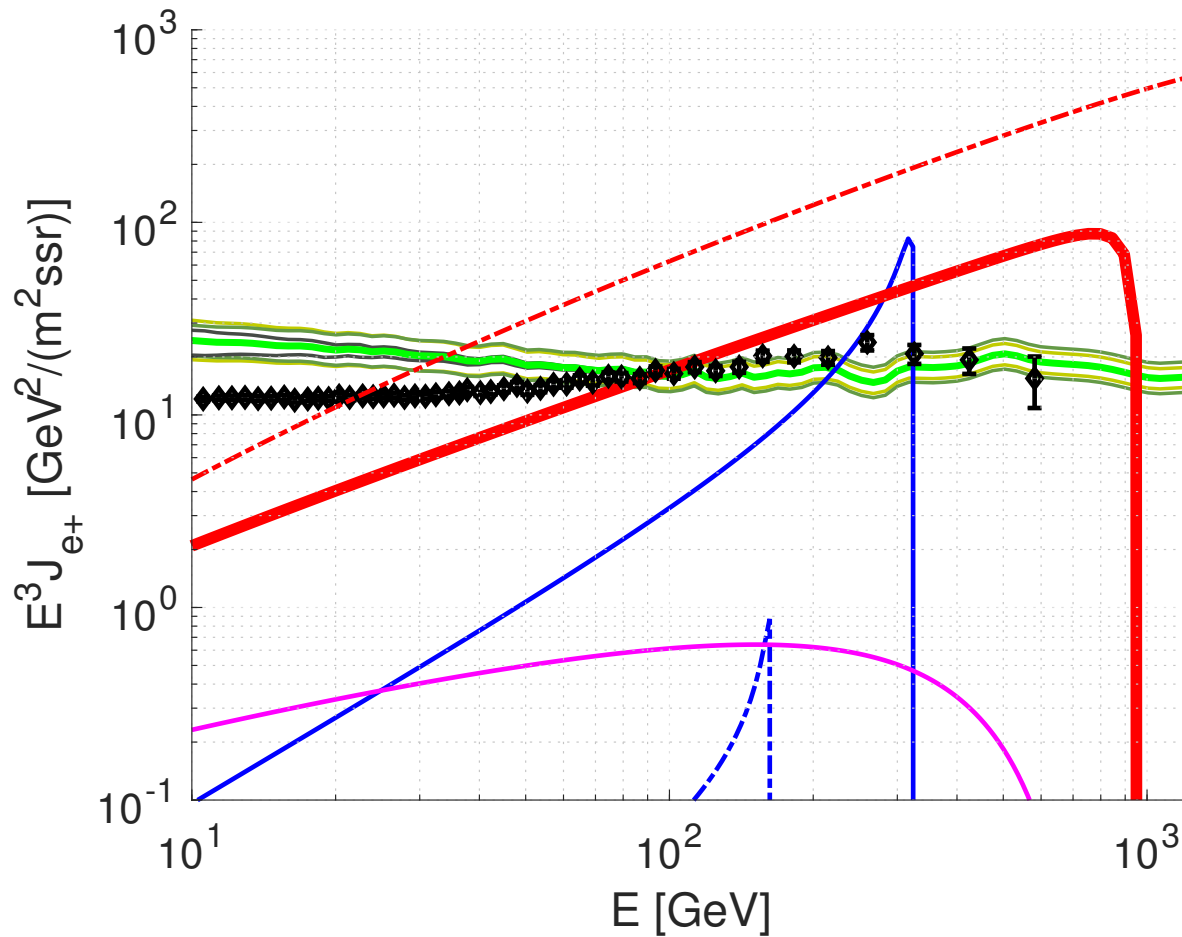
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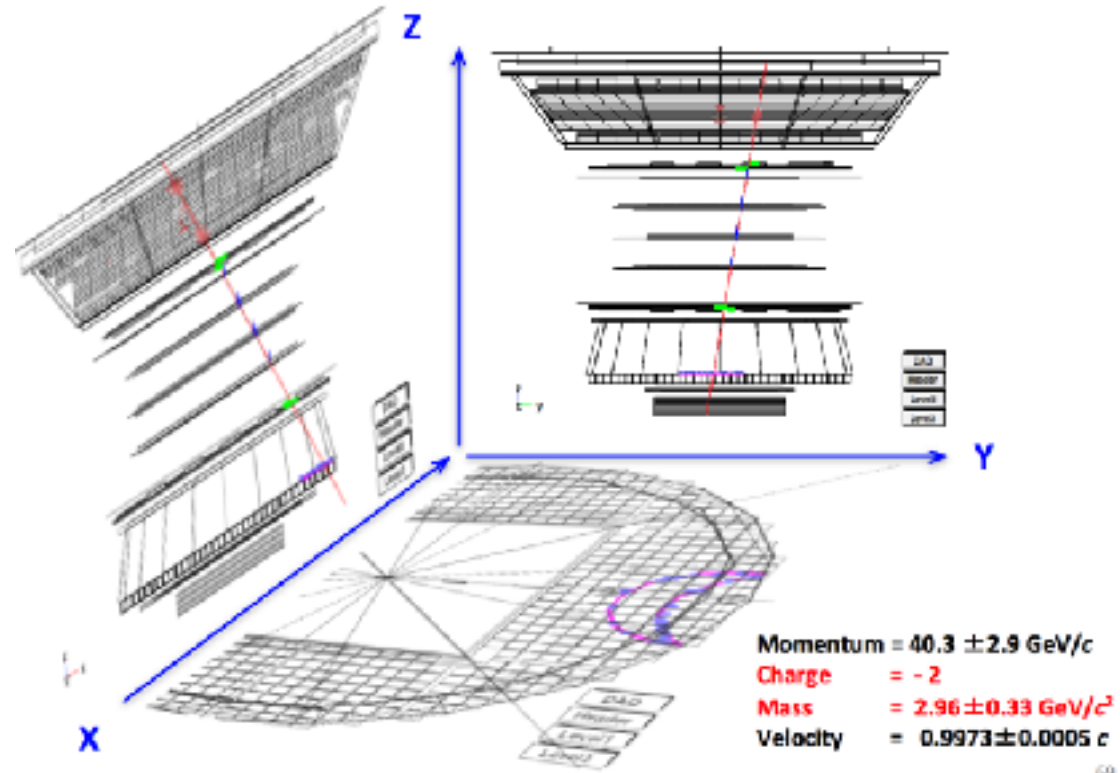
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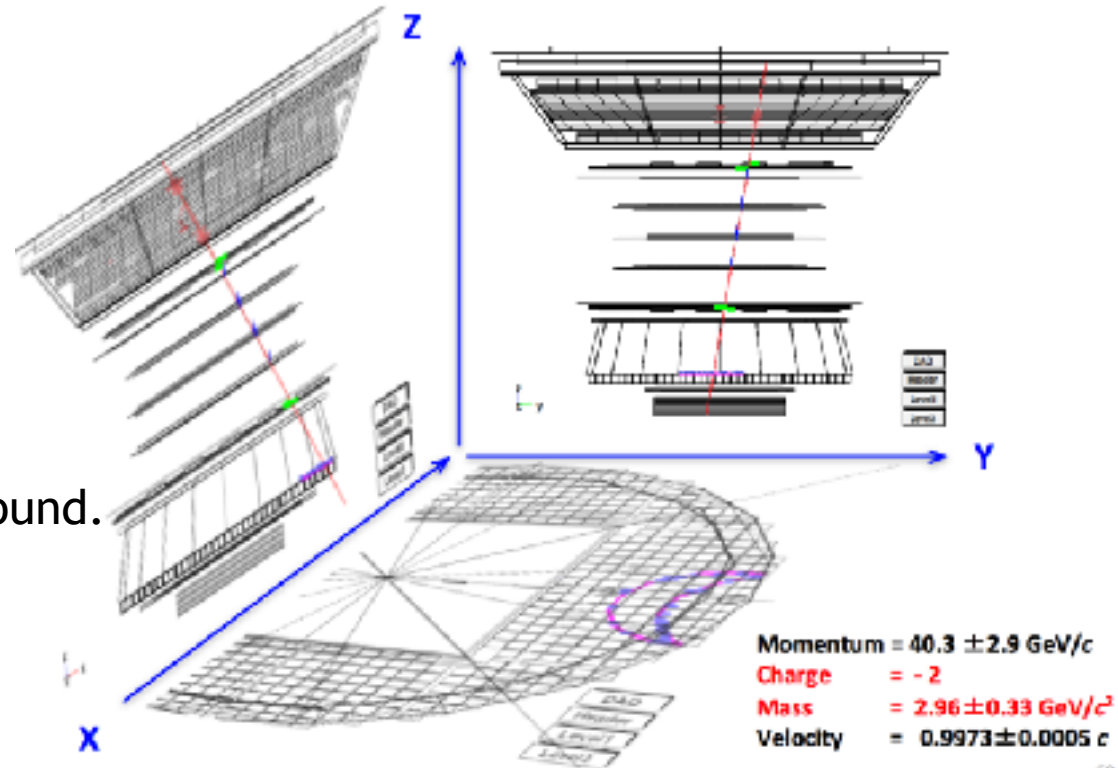
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At this point it is not clear if AMS02 is seeing true CR events, or some rare experimental background.

Need to reject freak background events at a level of $\sim 1:100M...$

We take it as motivation for theory examination of what the astro anti-He3 flux is.

anti He3

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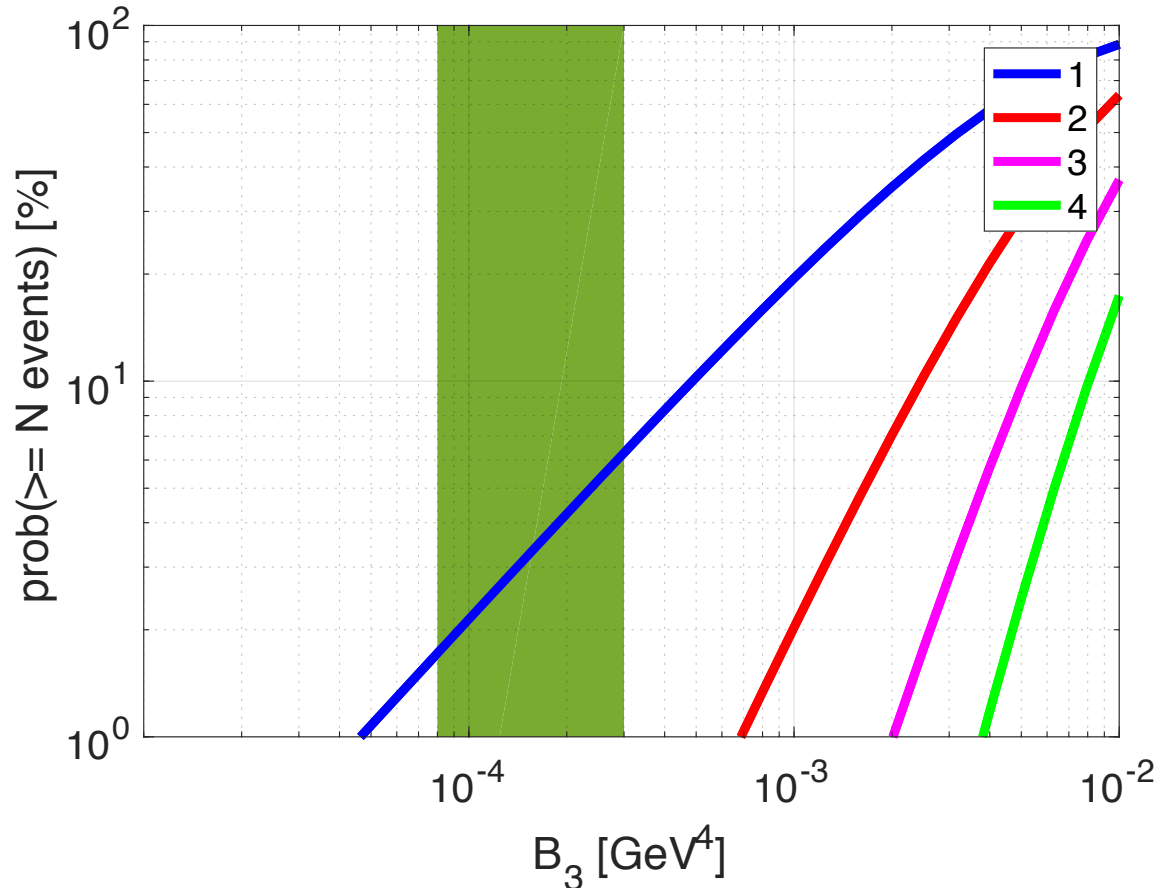
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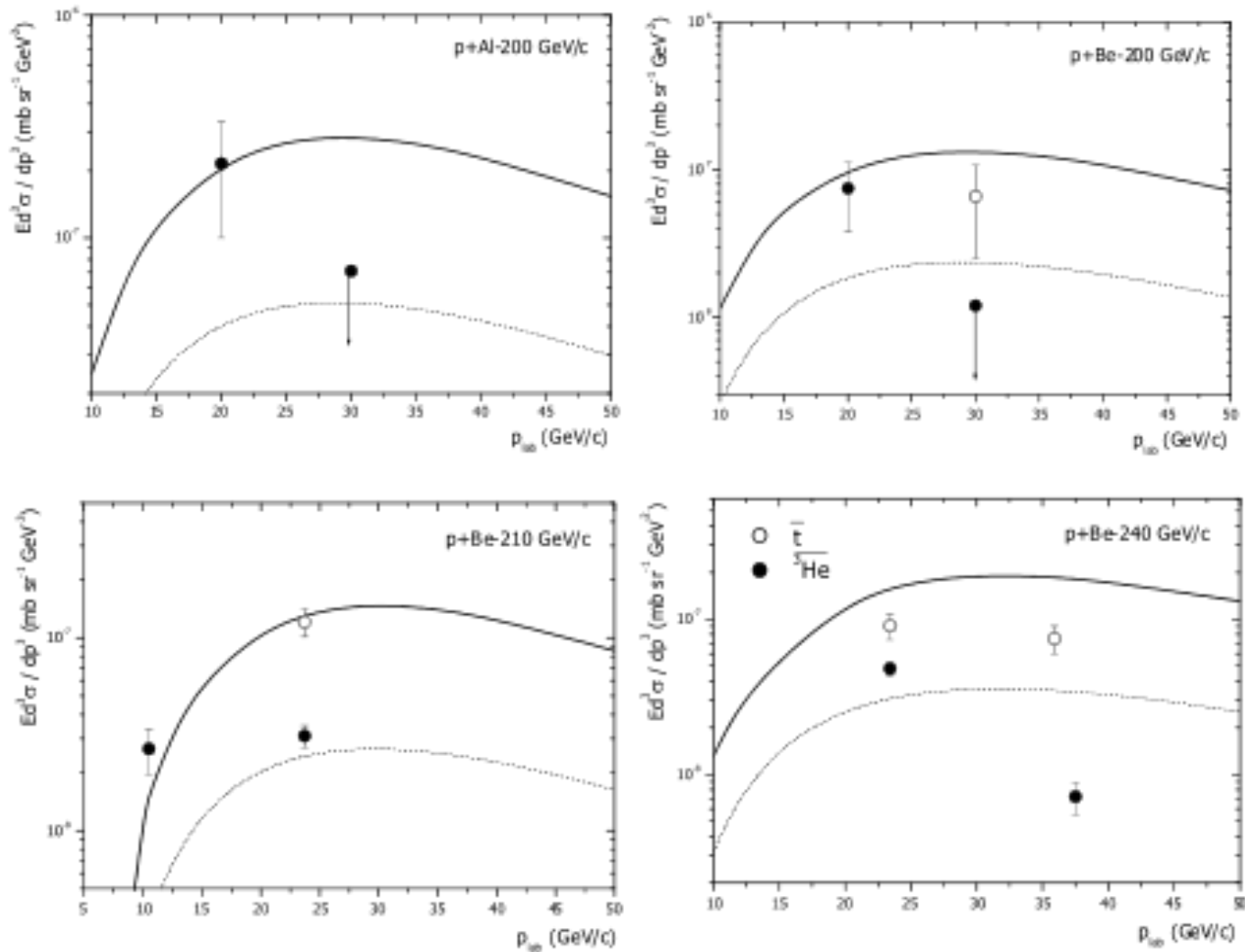
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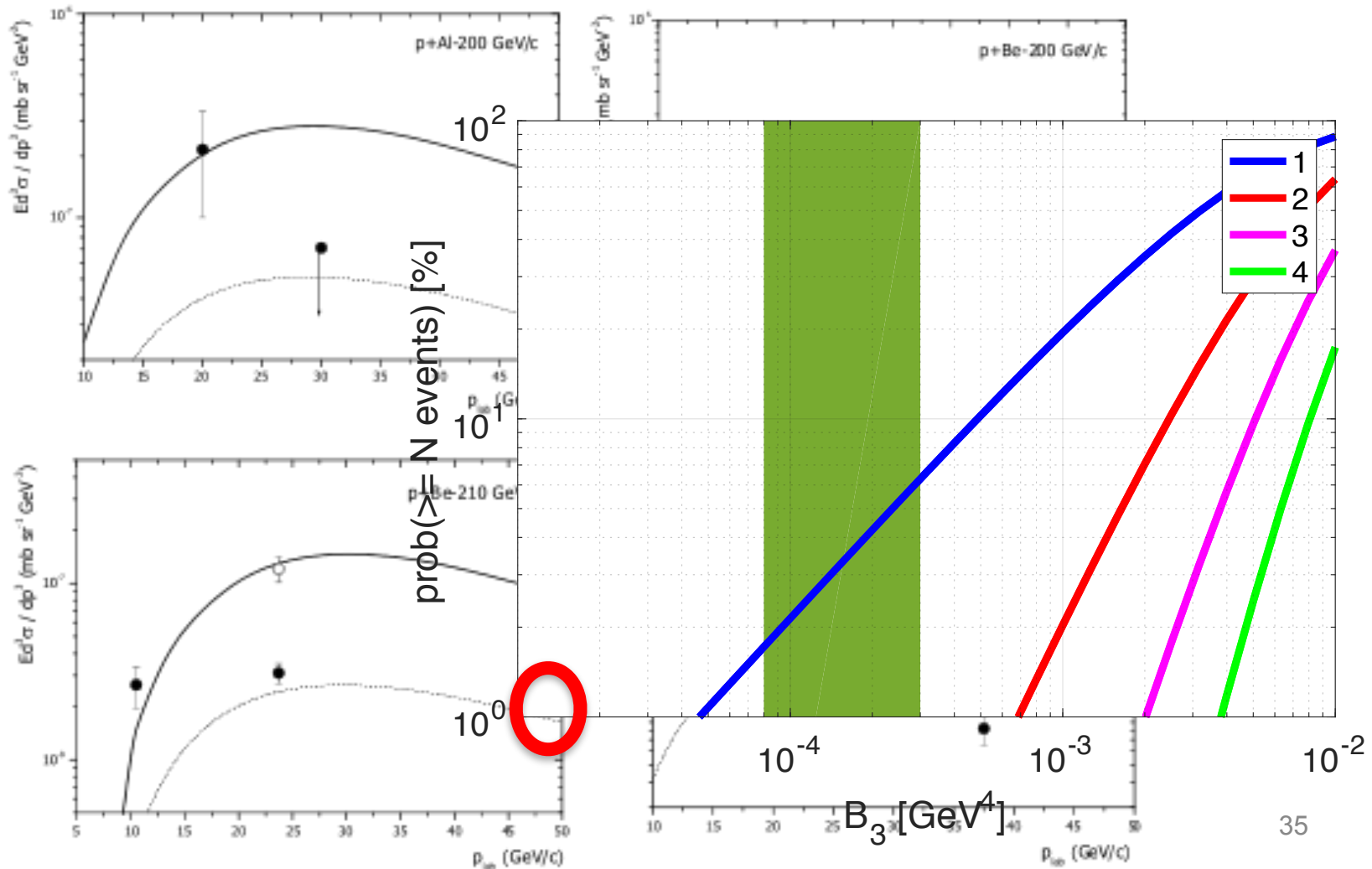
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Complimentary AA, pA, and related pp data exists elsewhere.

Let's take a step back and try to see the bigger picture

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Hadrons emitted from a finite size emission region.
Typical scales $O(\text{fm}) \sim 1/(100 \text{ MeV})$

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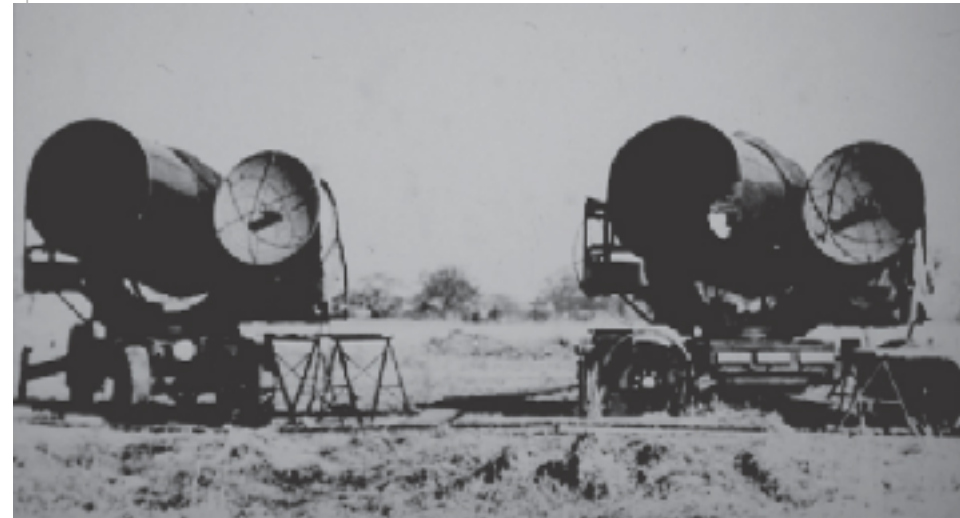
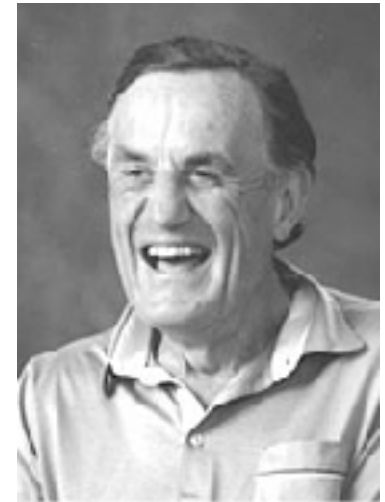
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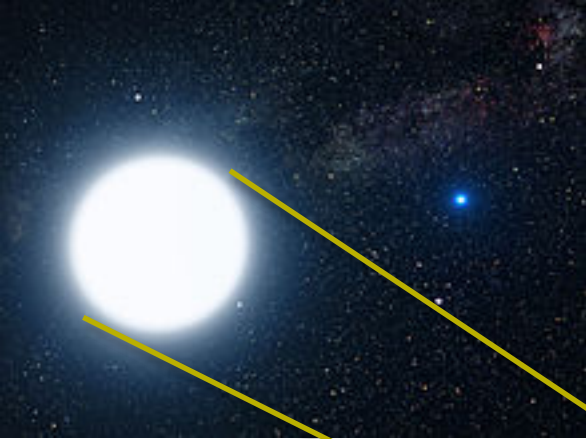
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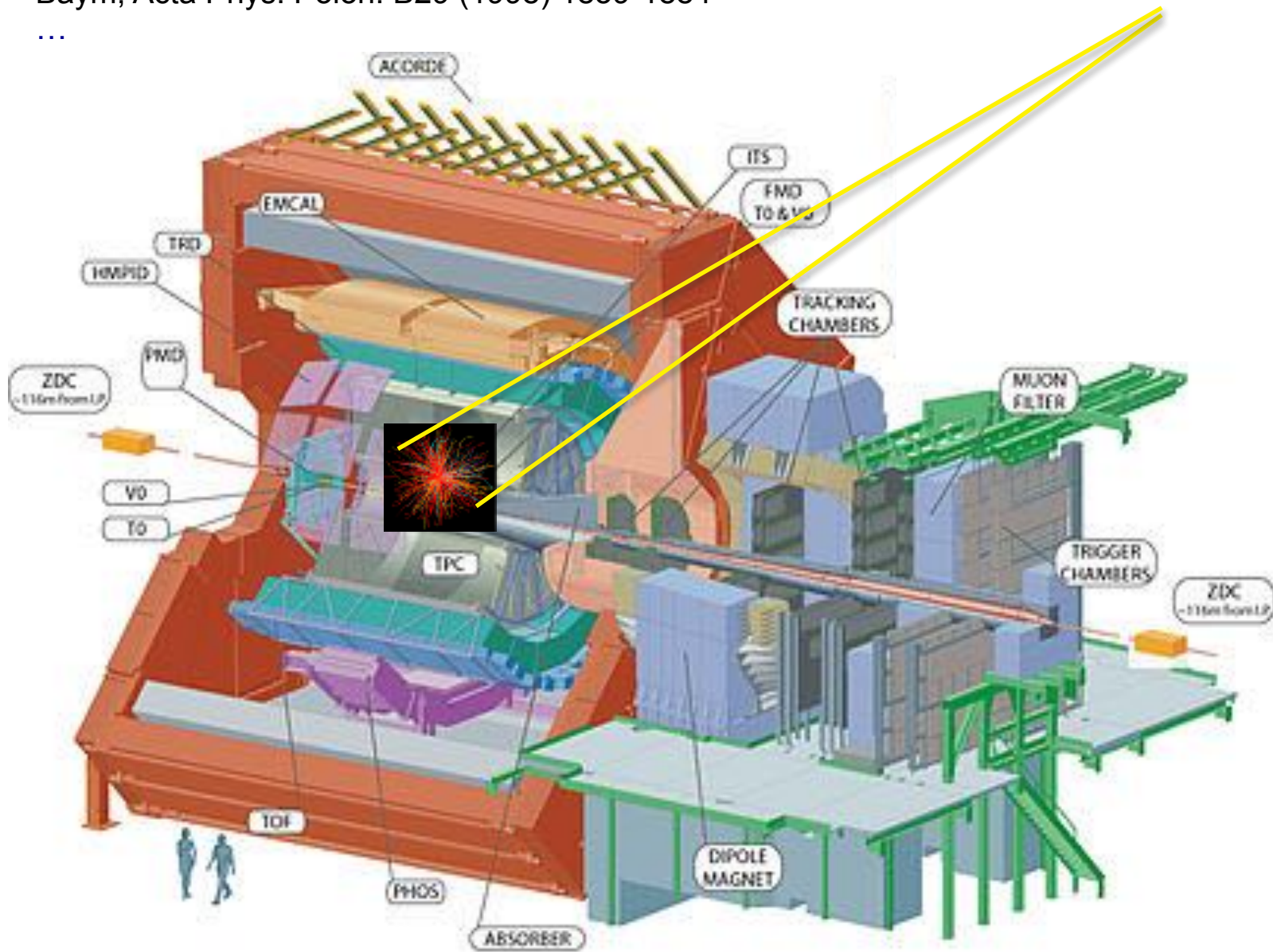
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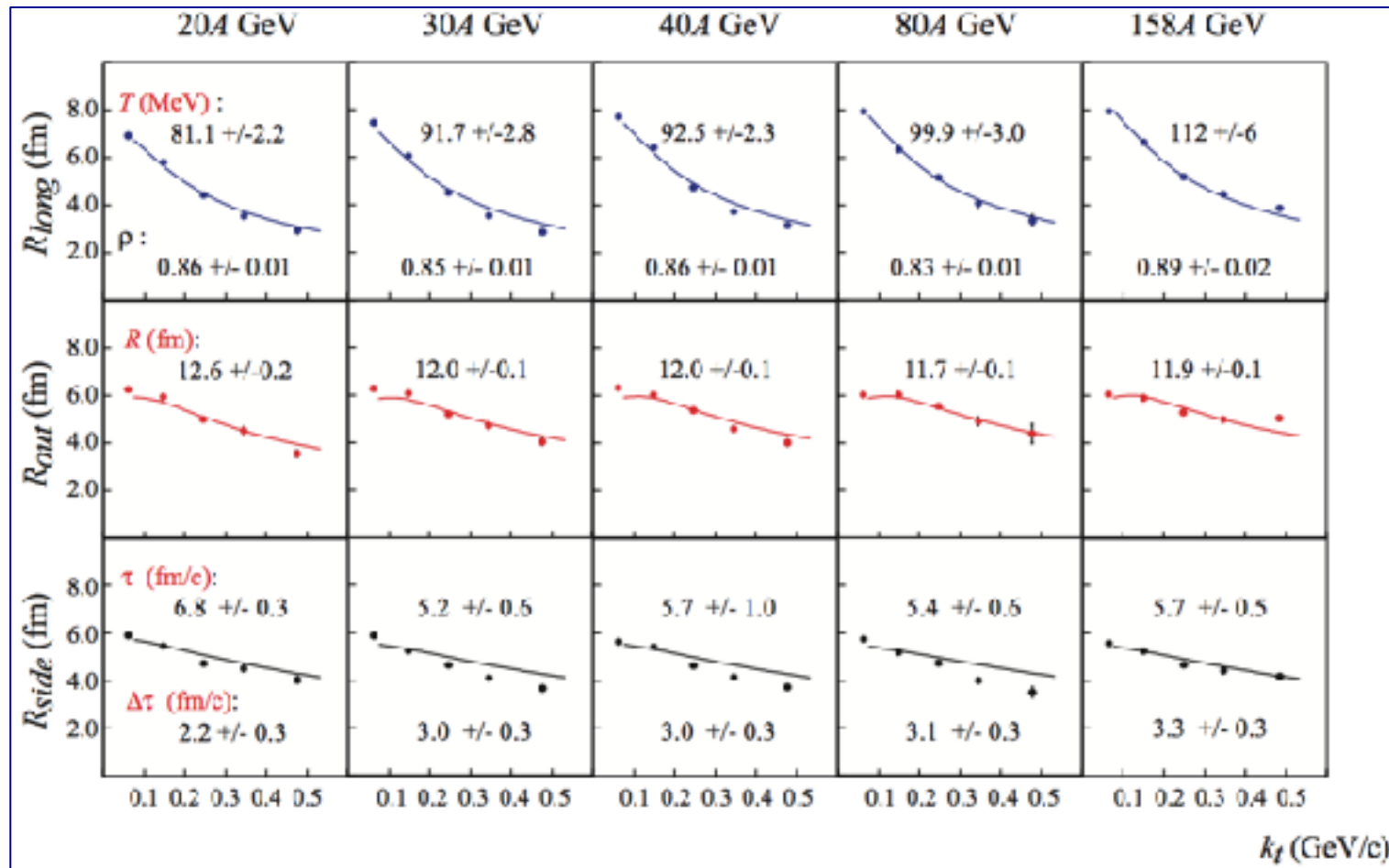
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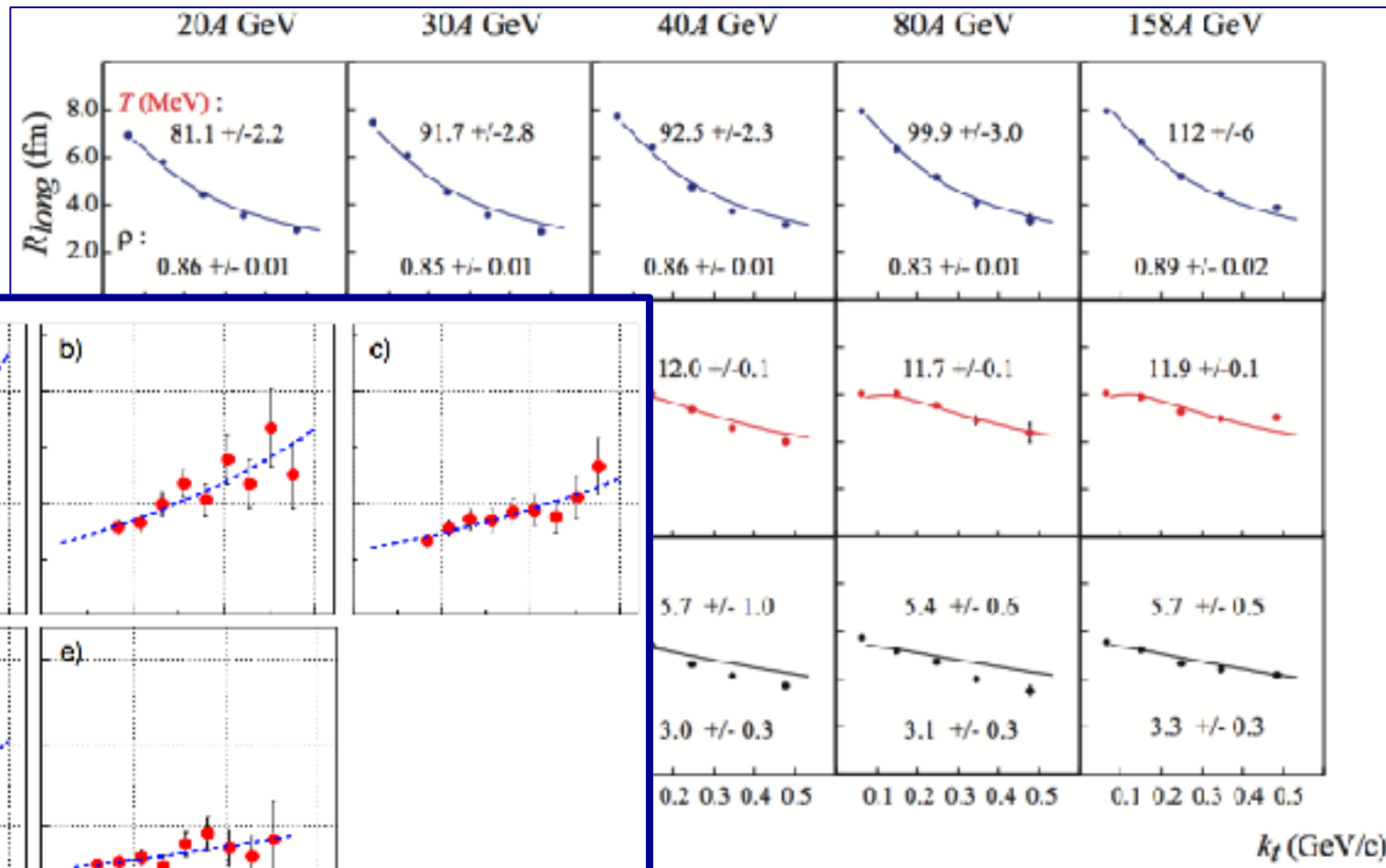
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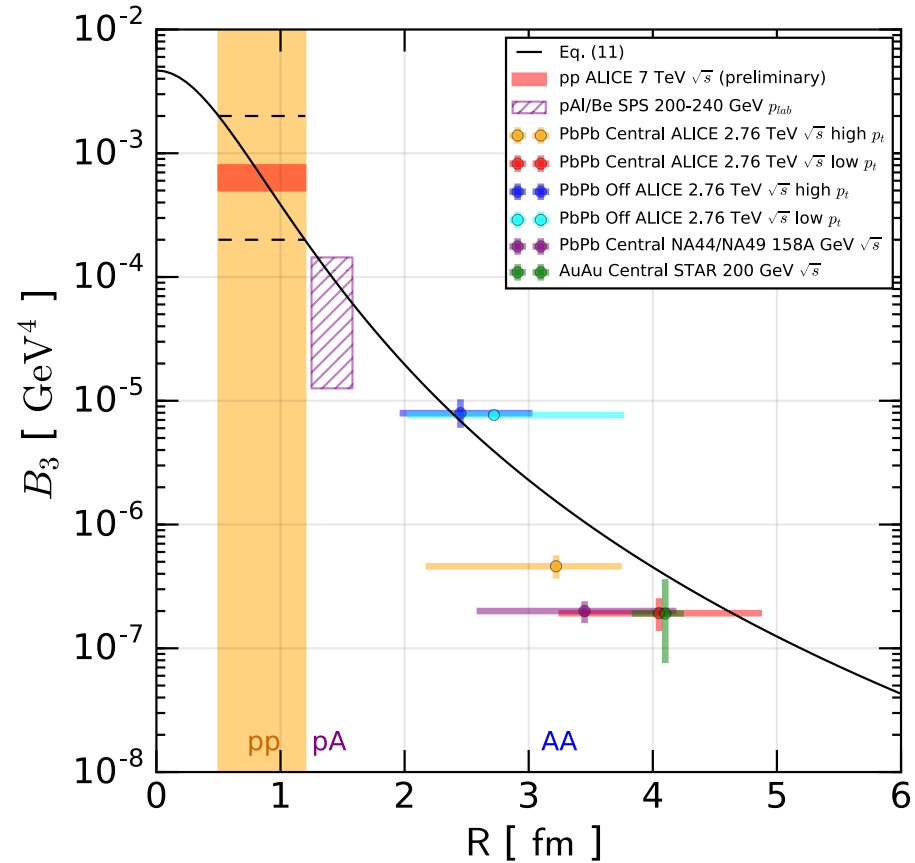
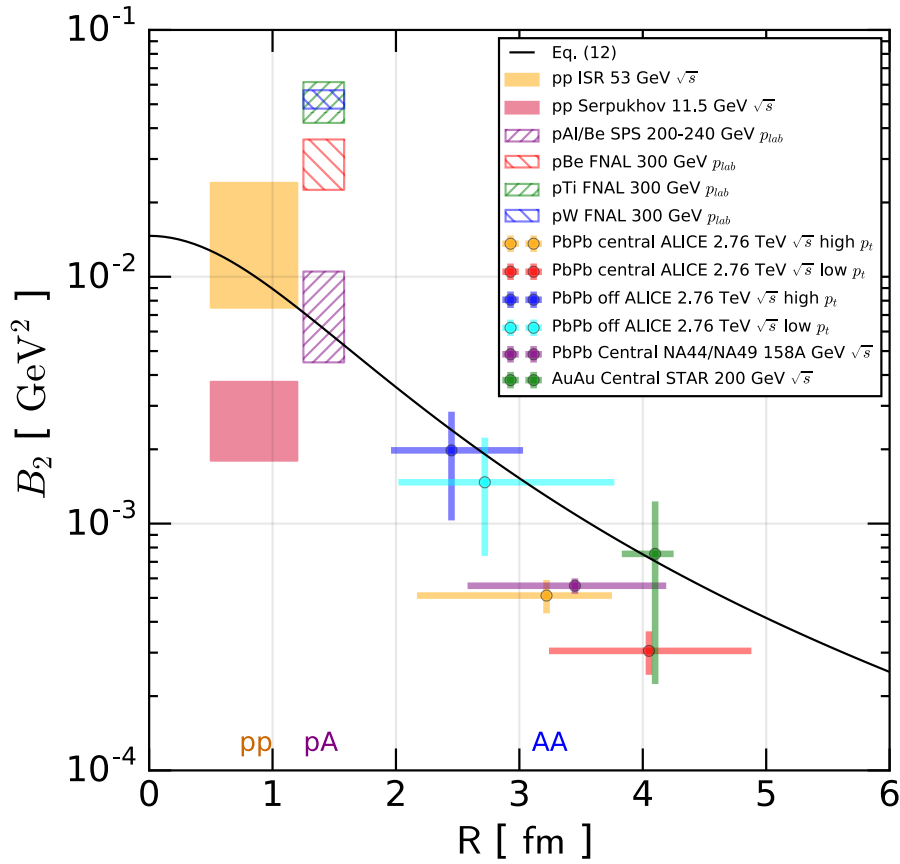


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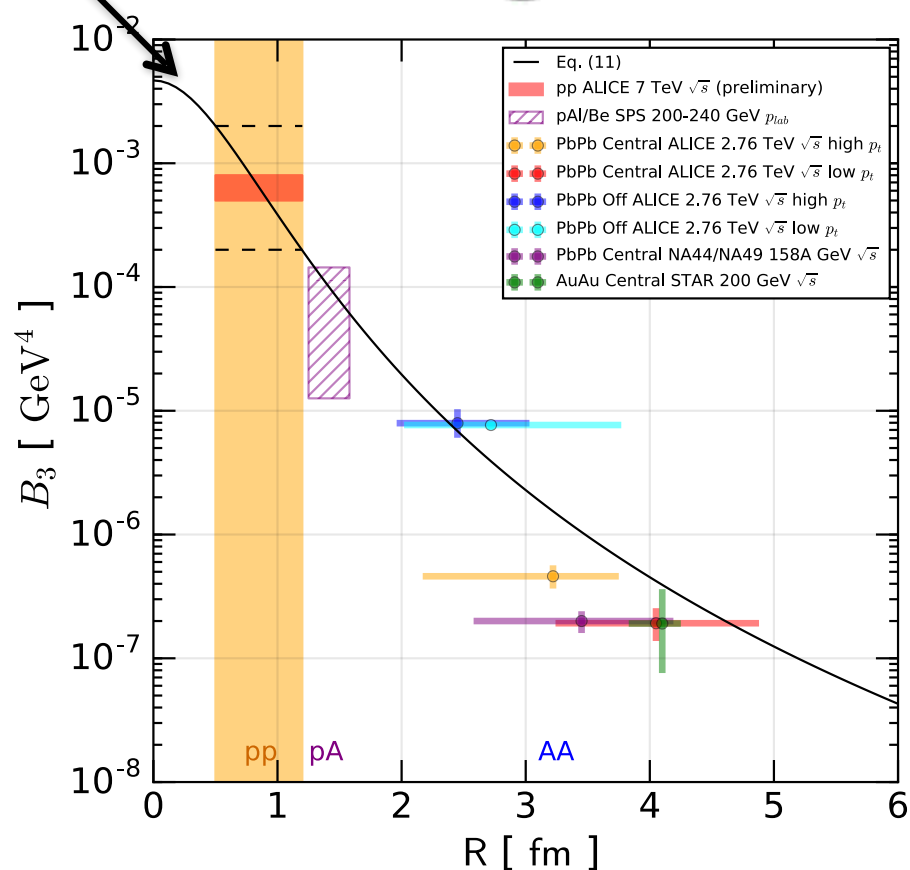
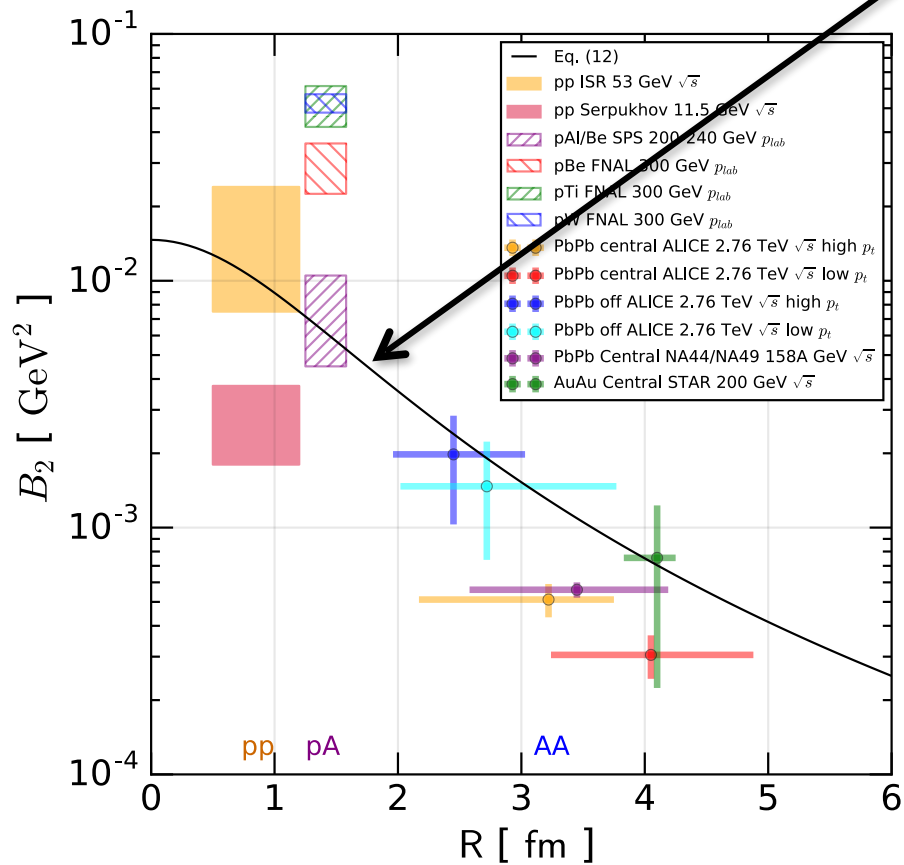


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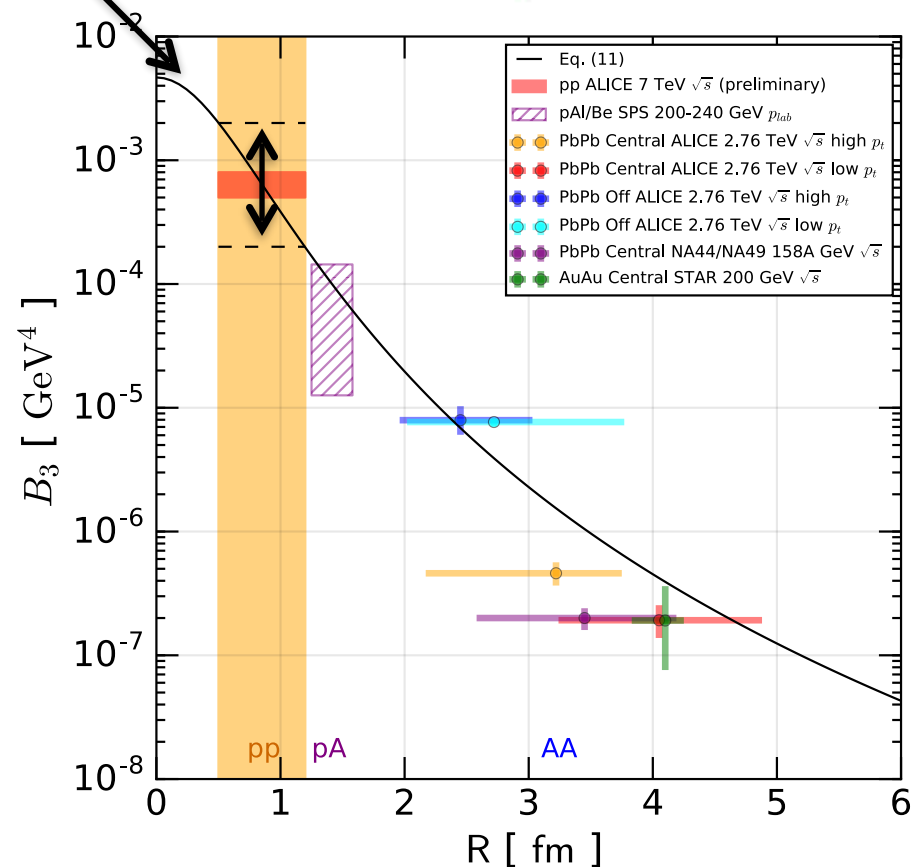
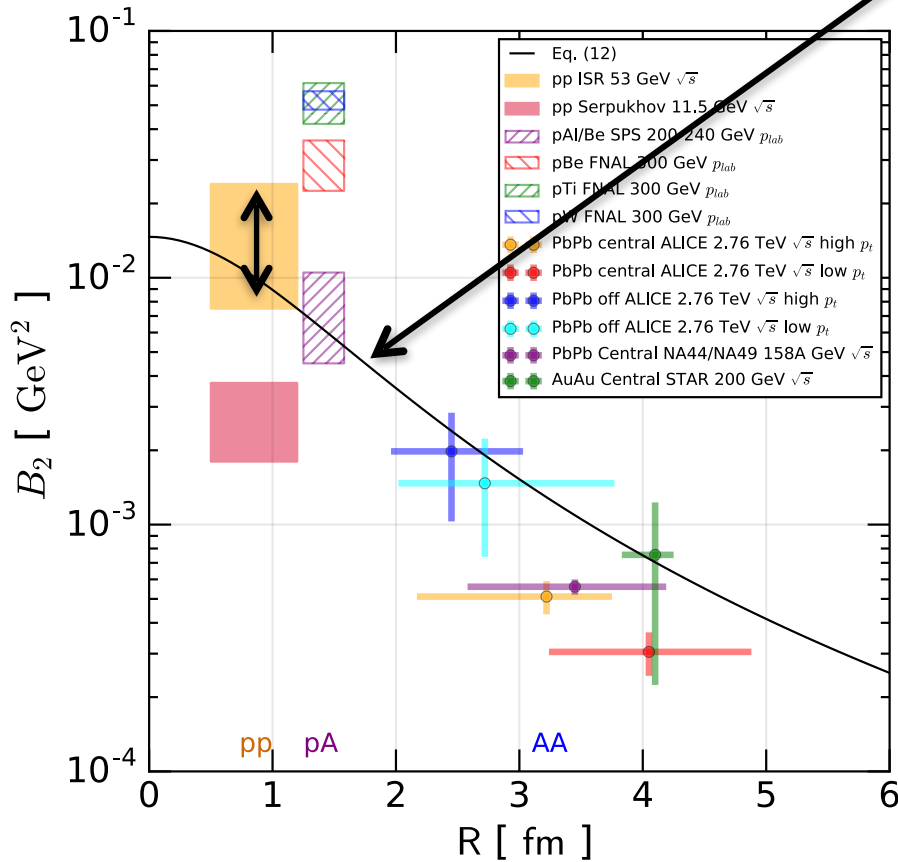
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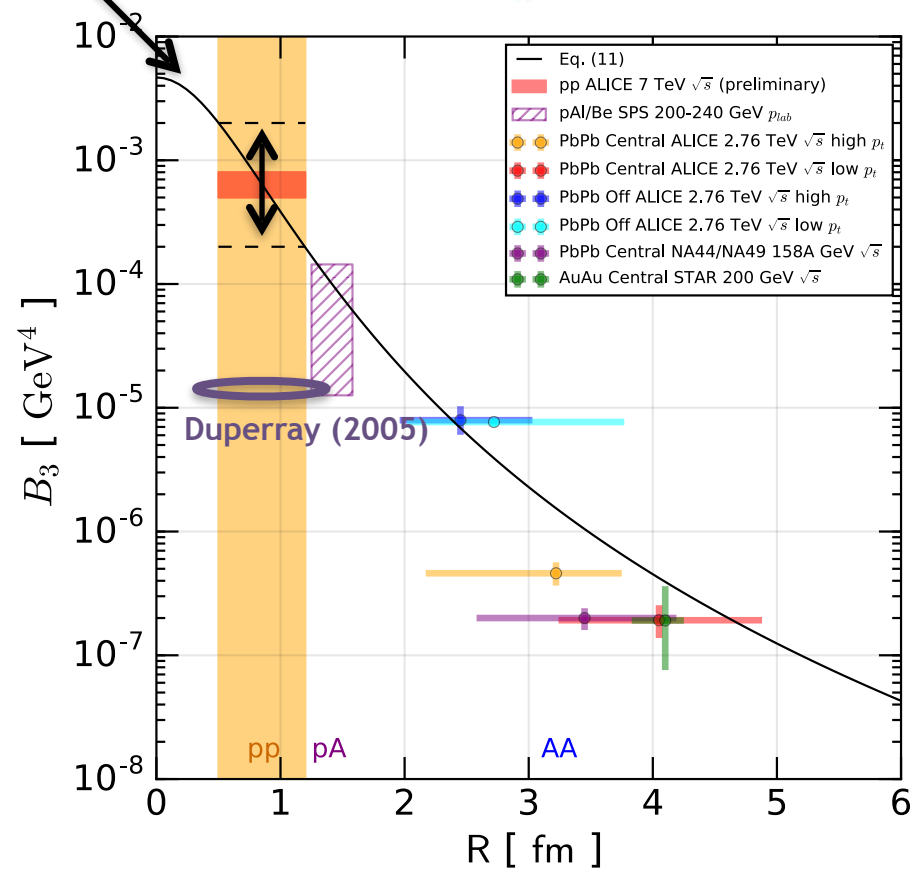
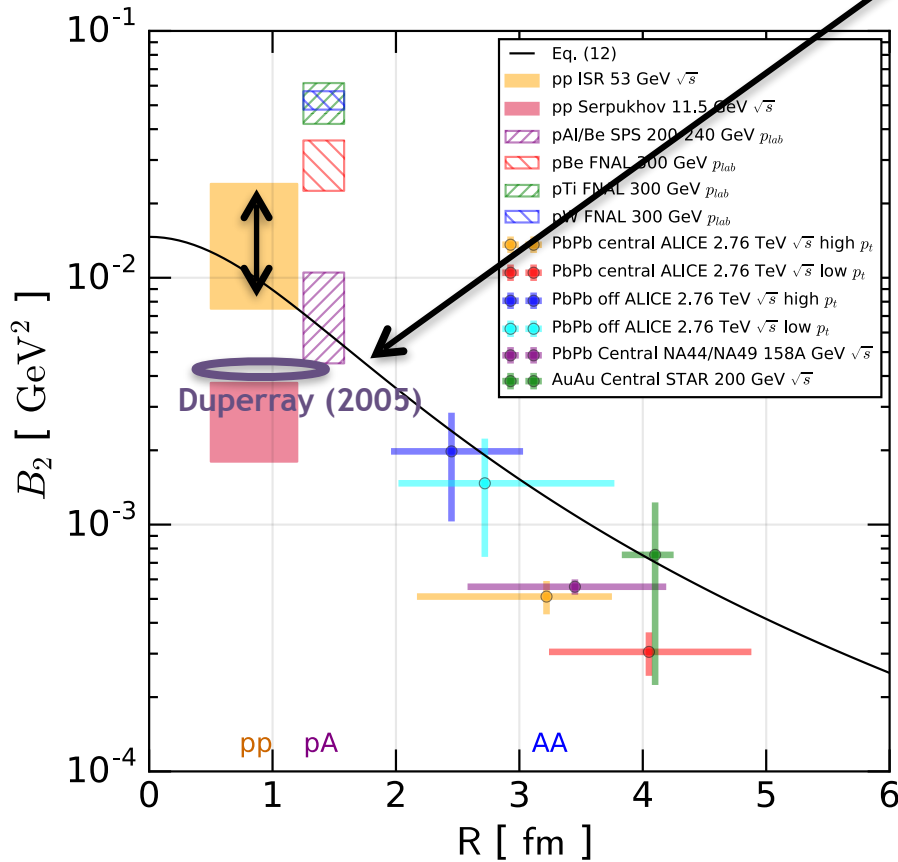
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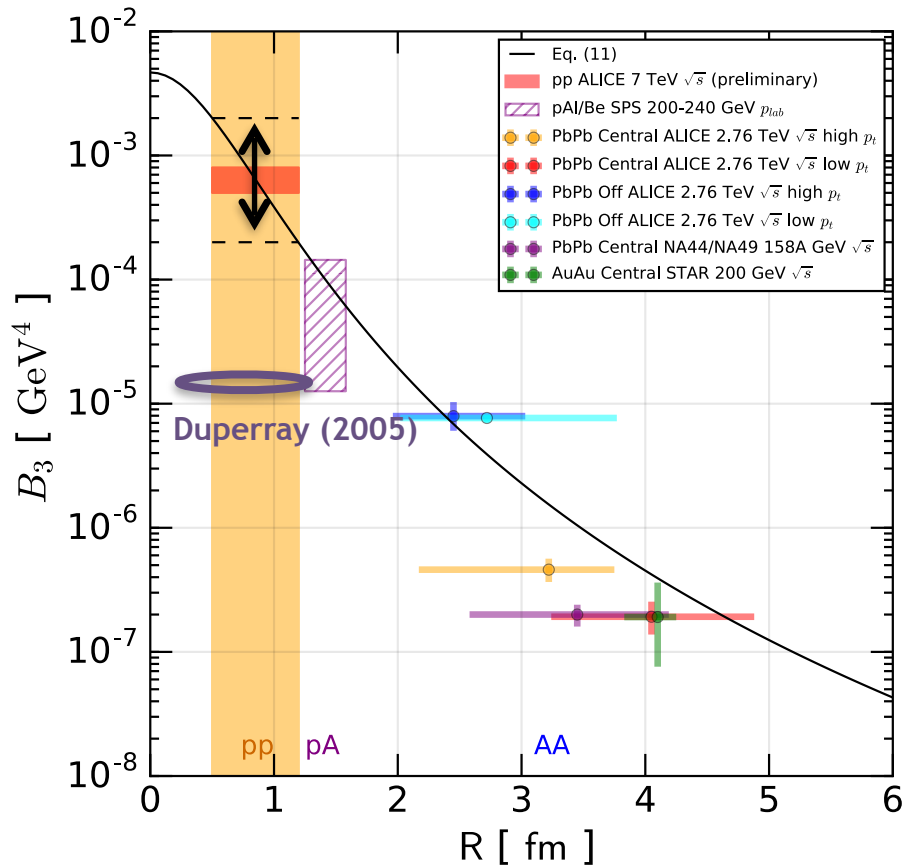
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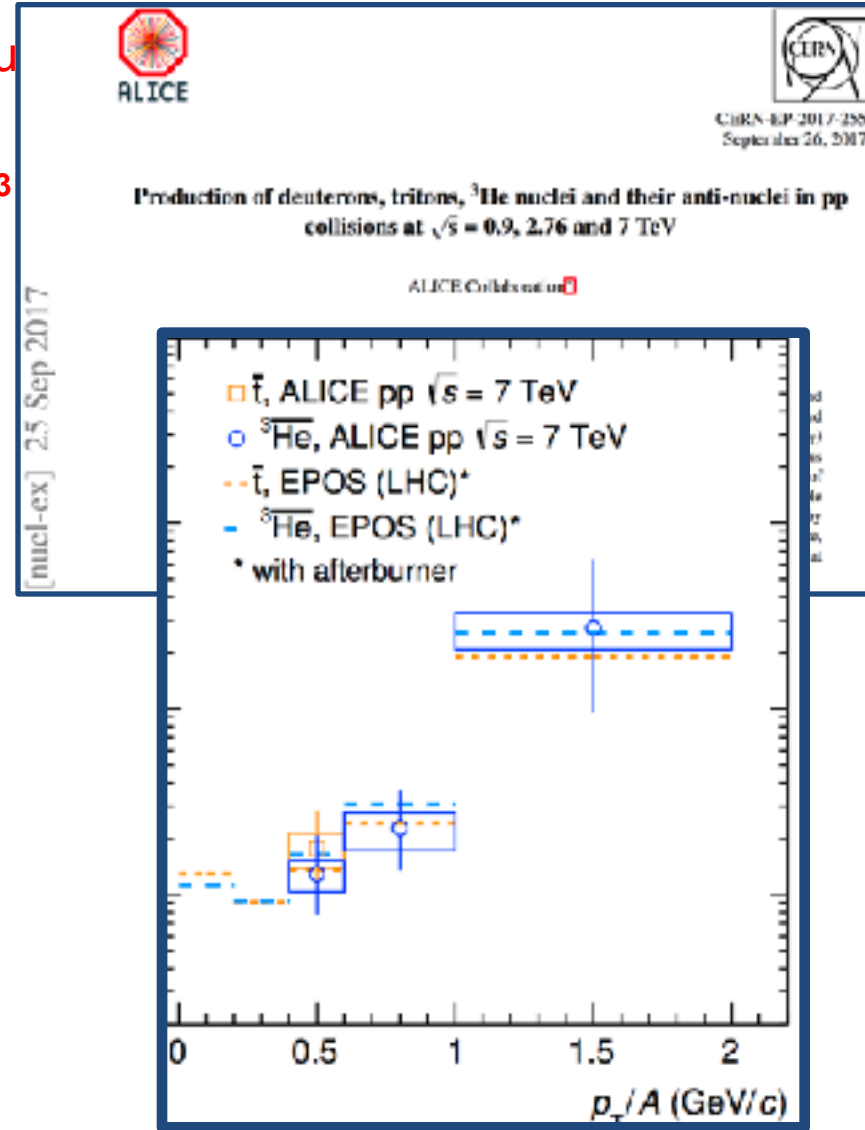
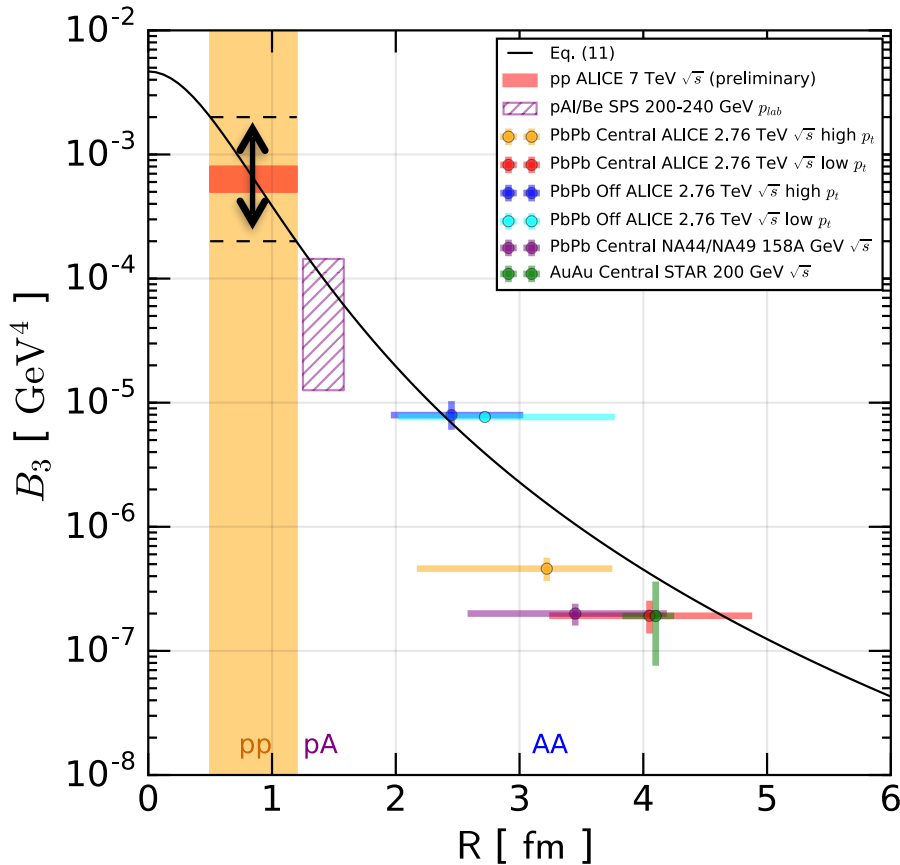
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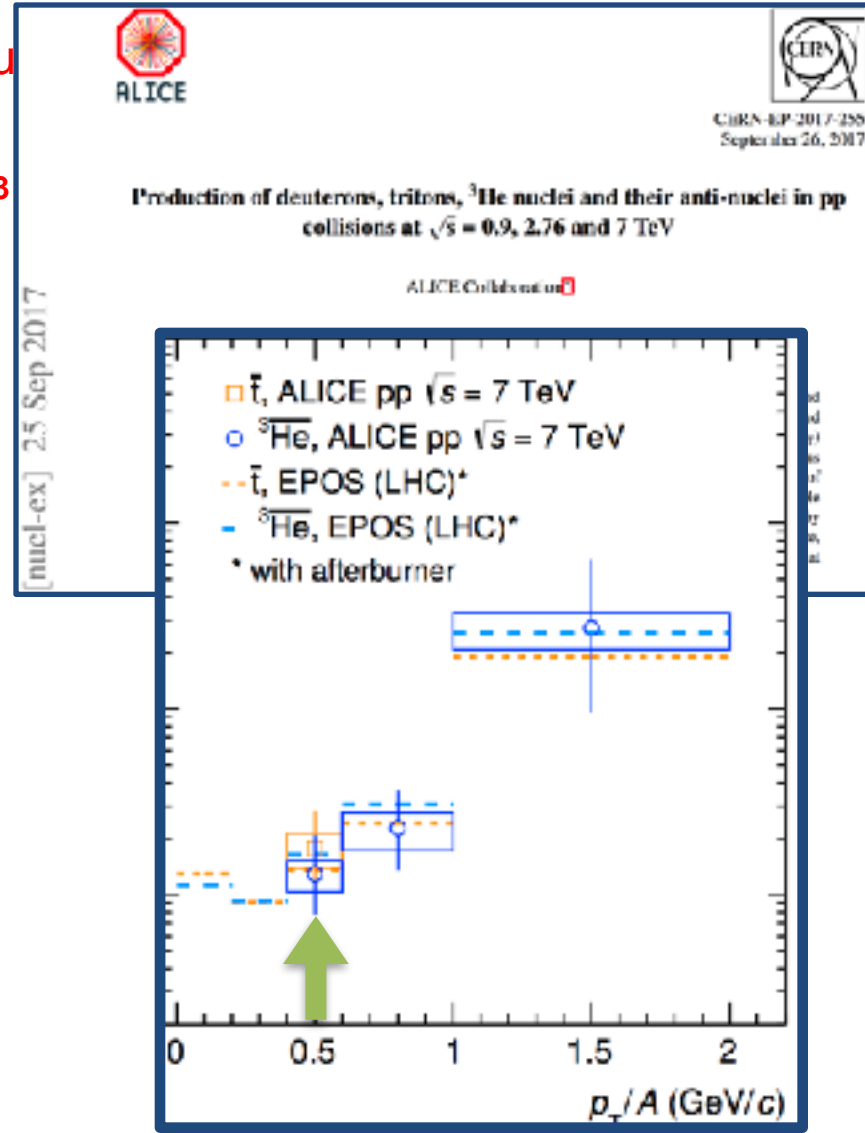
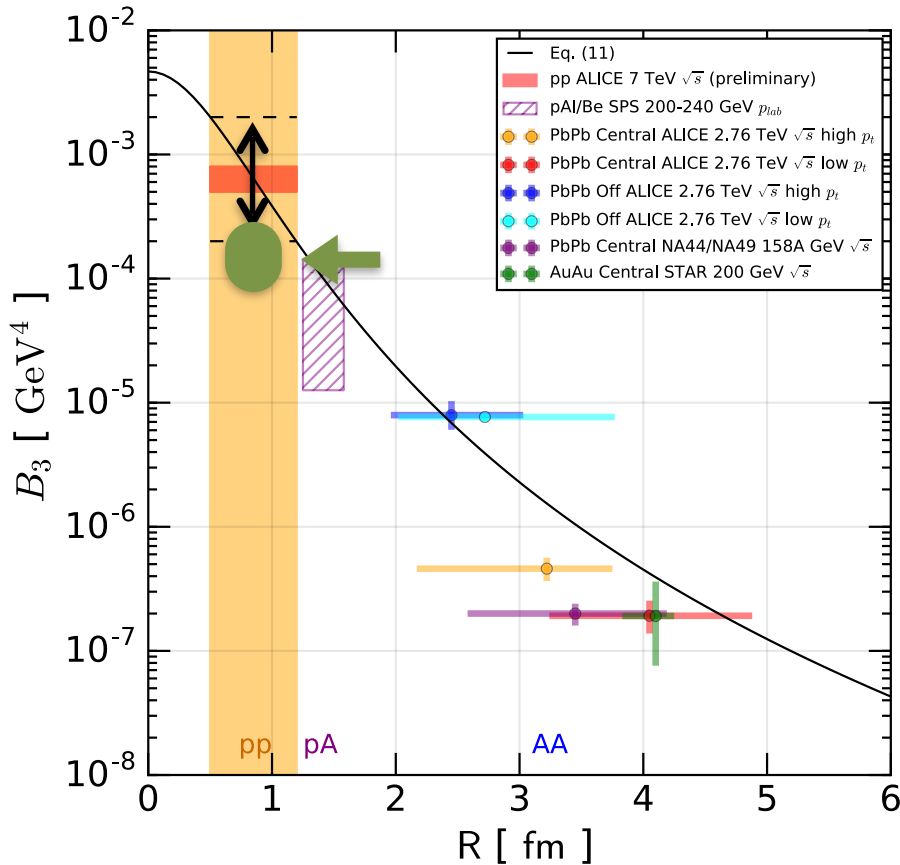
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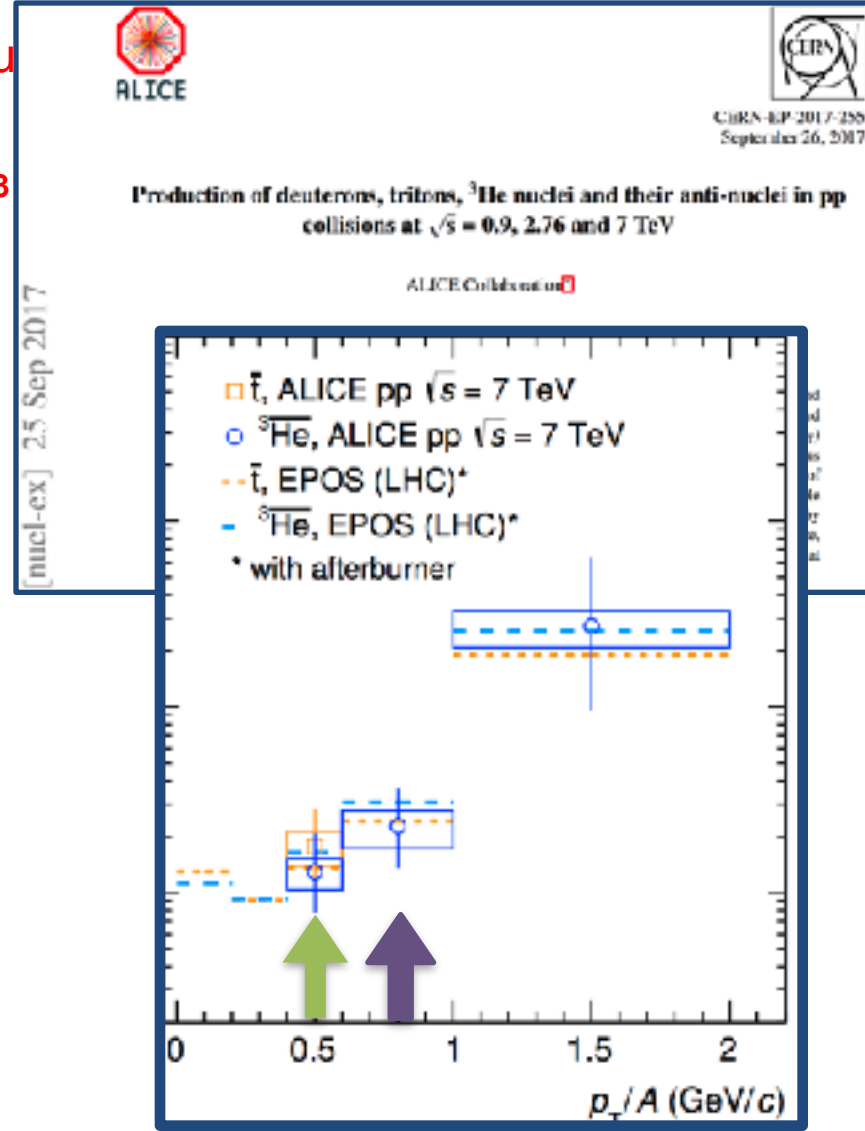
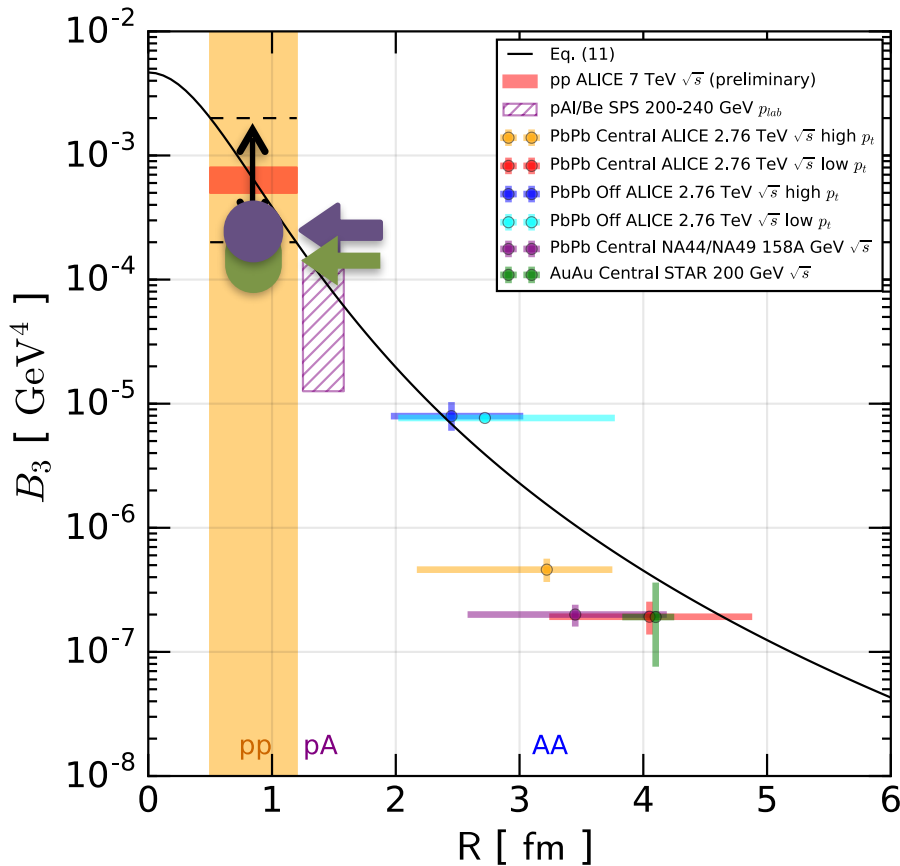
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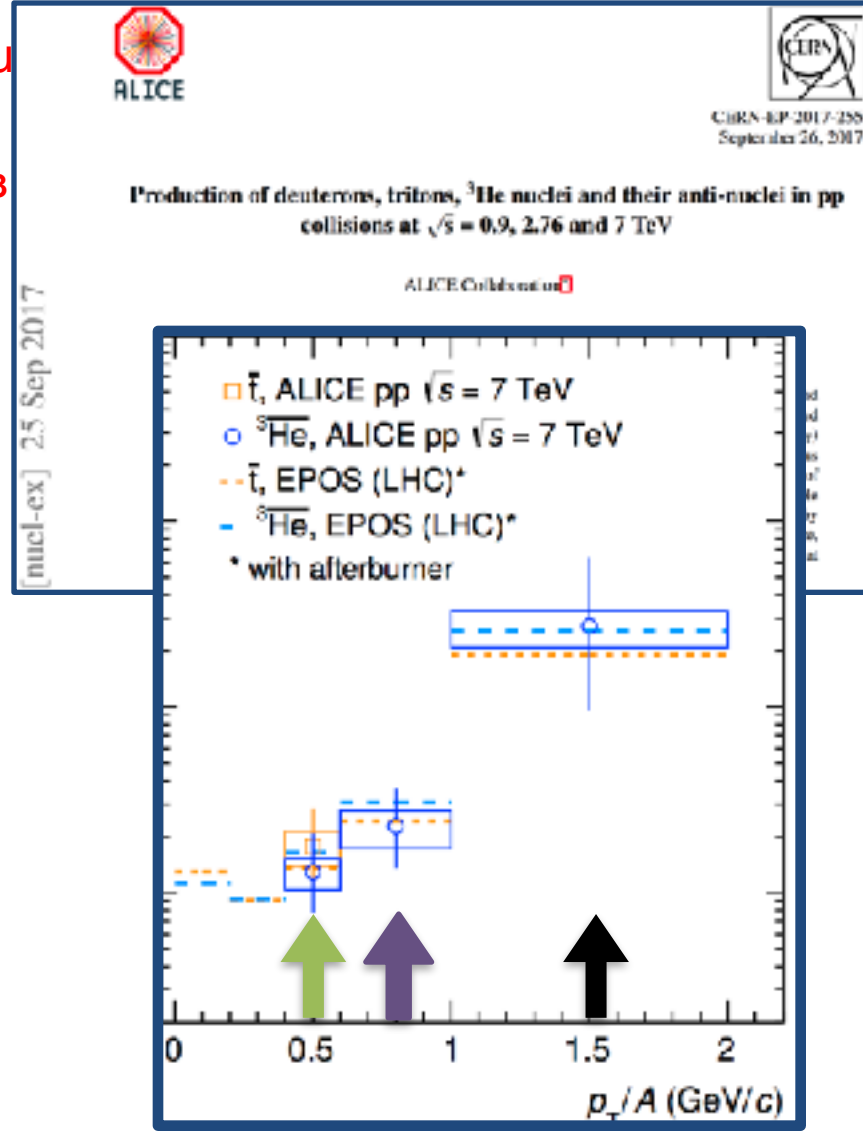
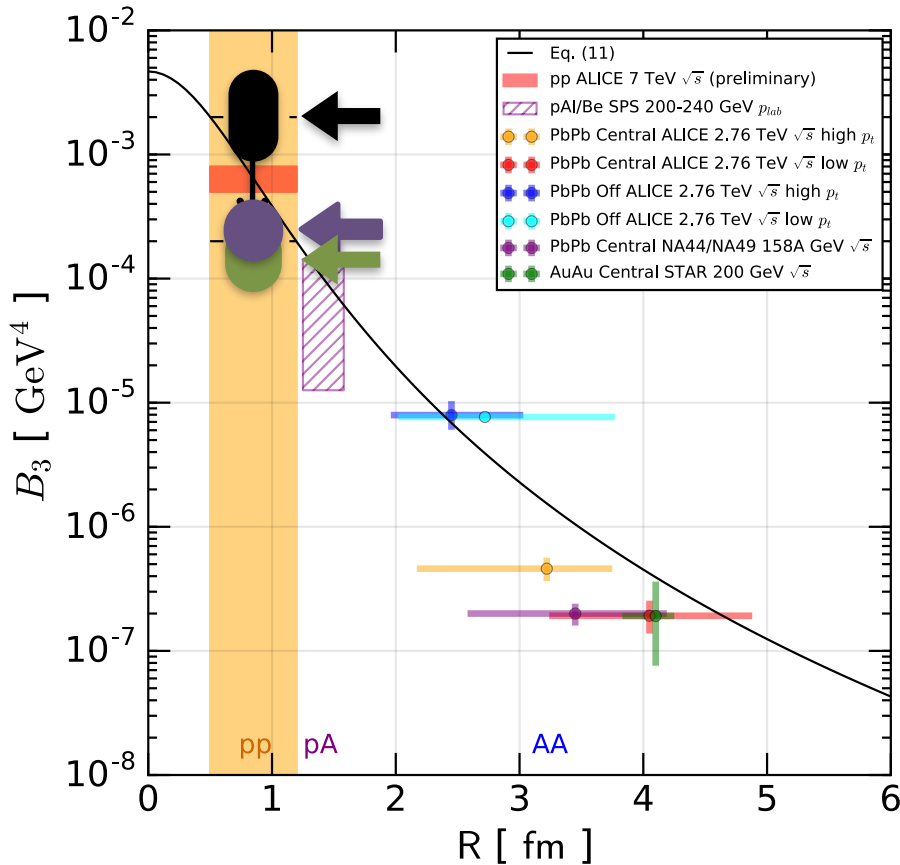
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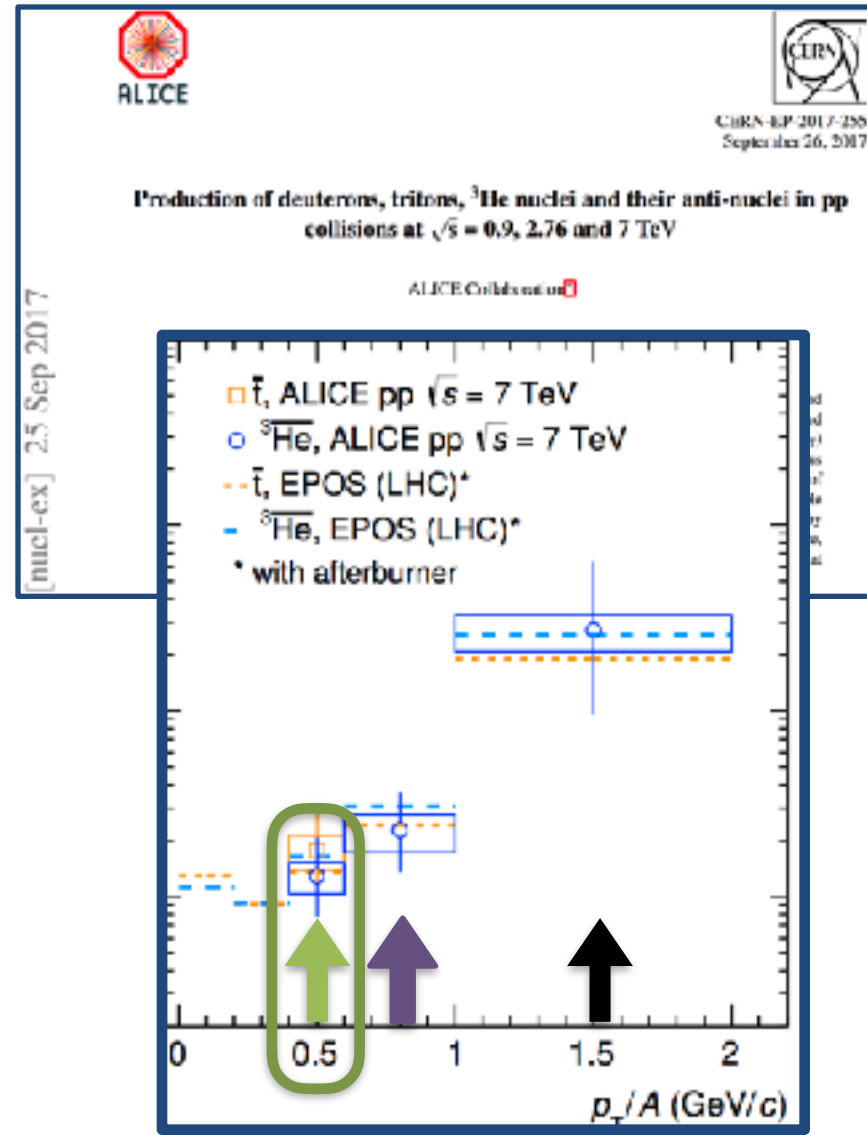
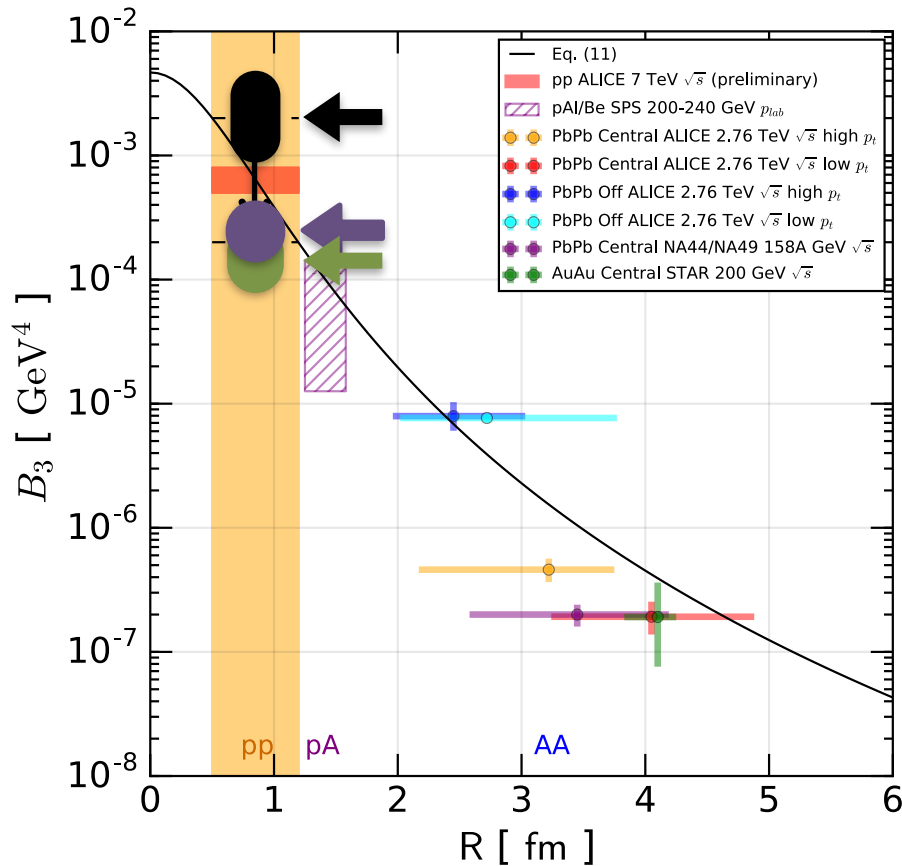
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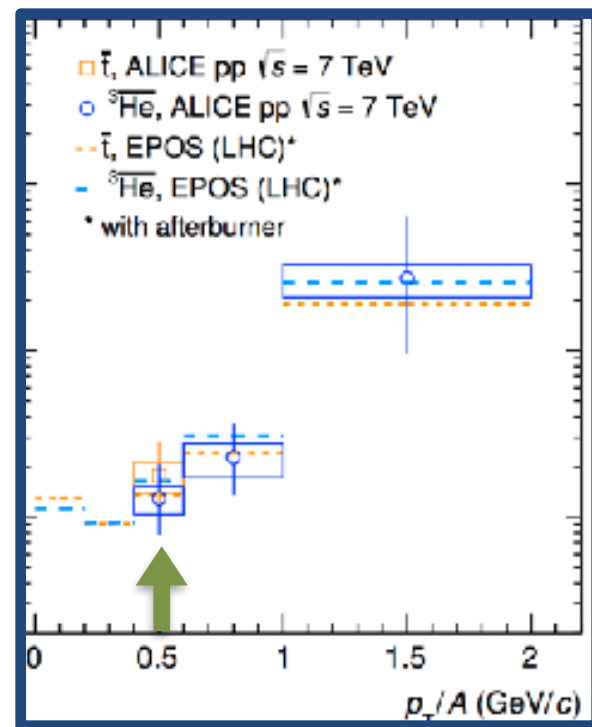
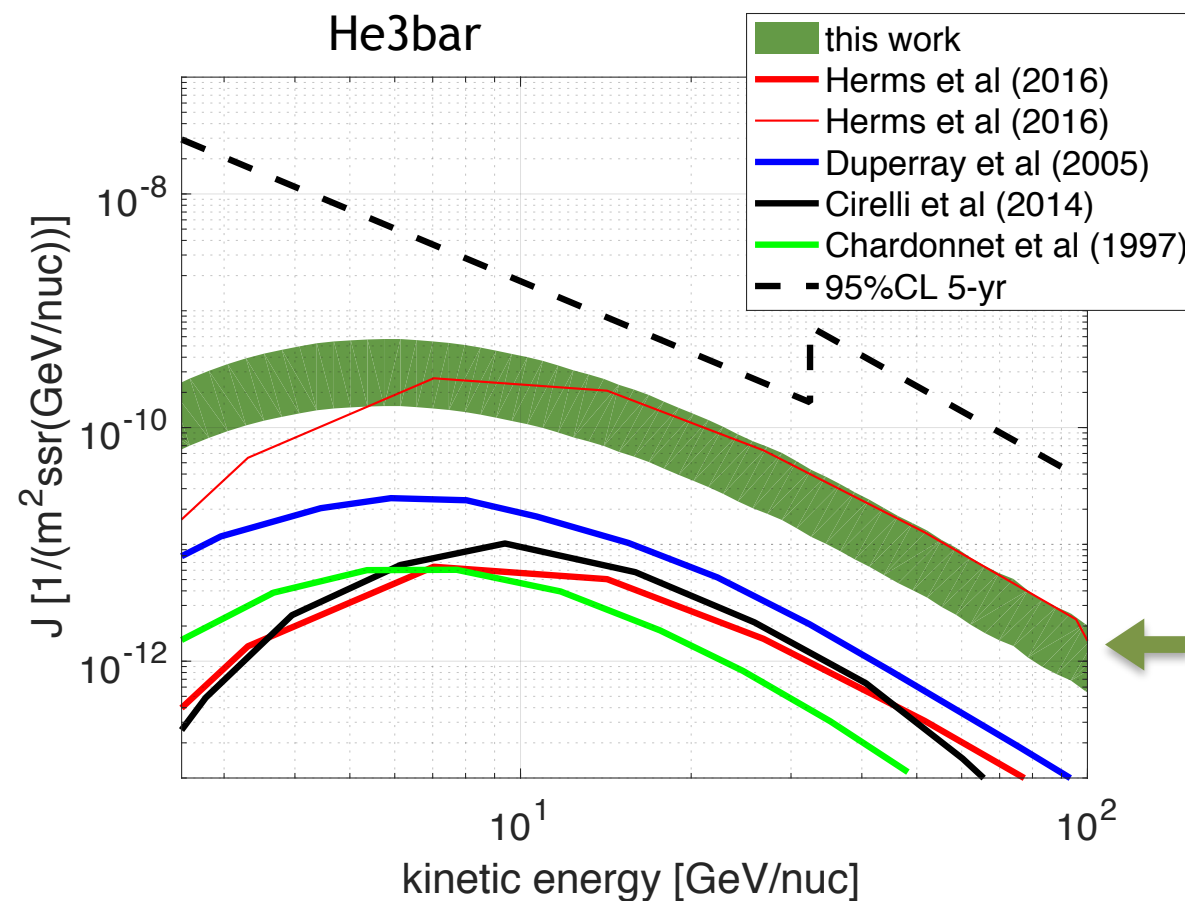
But we have detailed data now: significant p_T dependence in B3.

Most relevant for astro is $p_T/A < 0.5$ GeV



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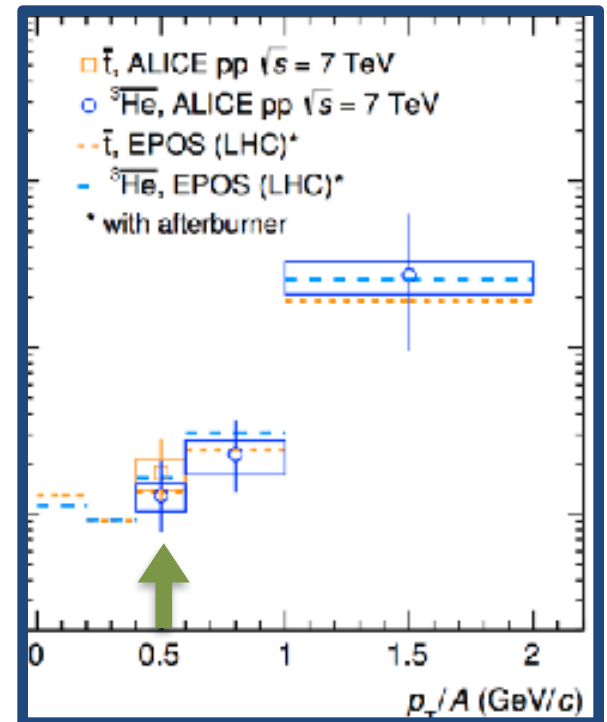
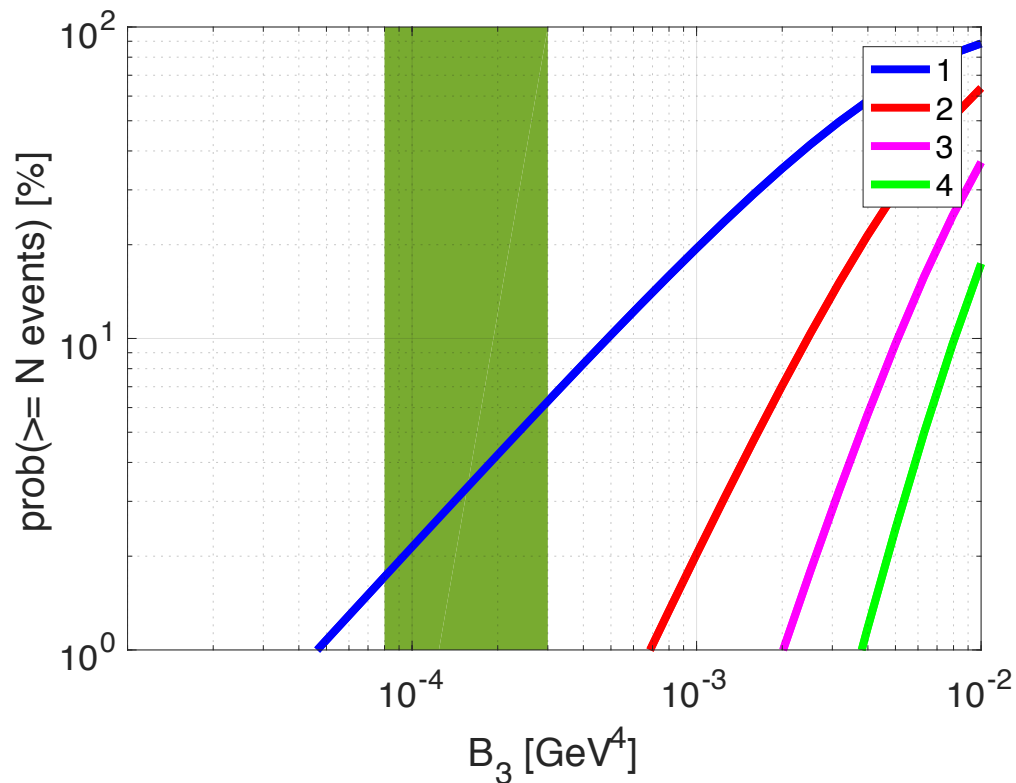
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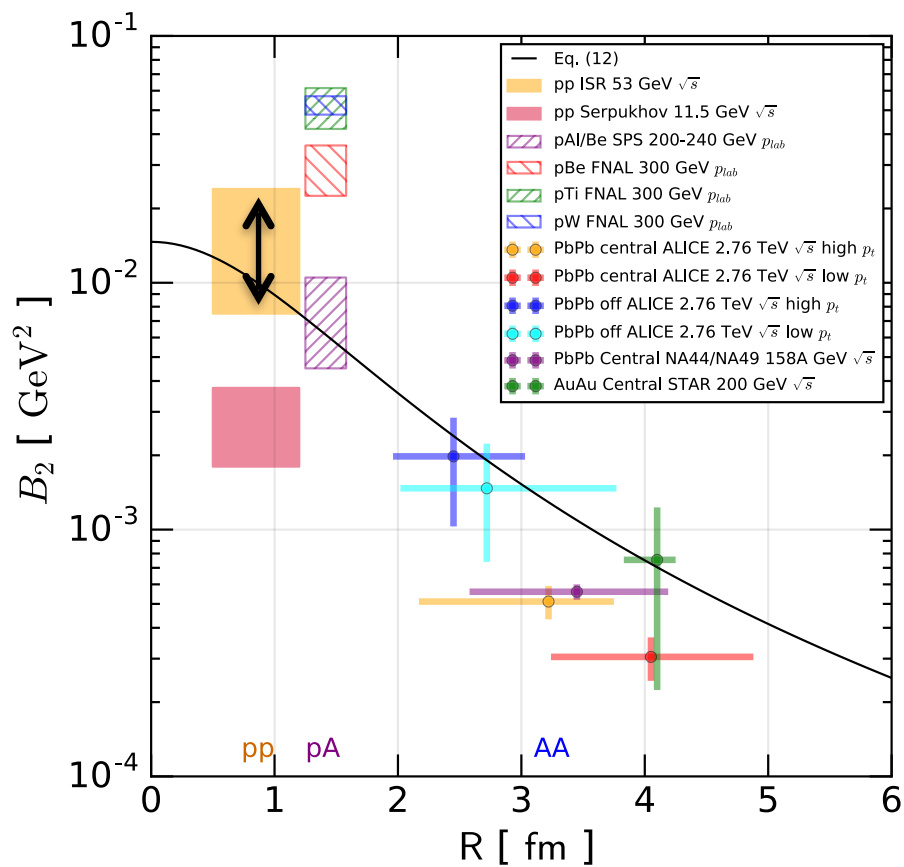
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What about p-pbar collisions?

Are we missing a very large contribution in forward region?

...is AMS02 seeing background?





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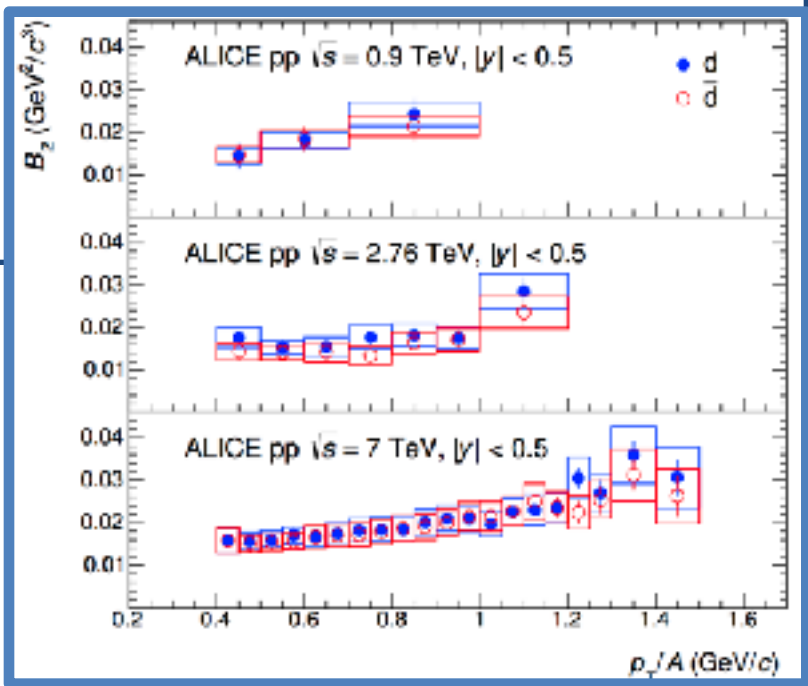
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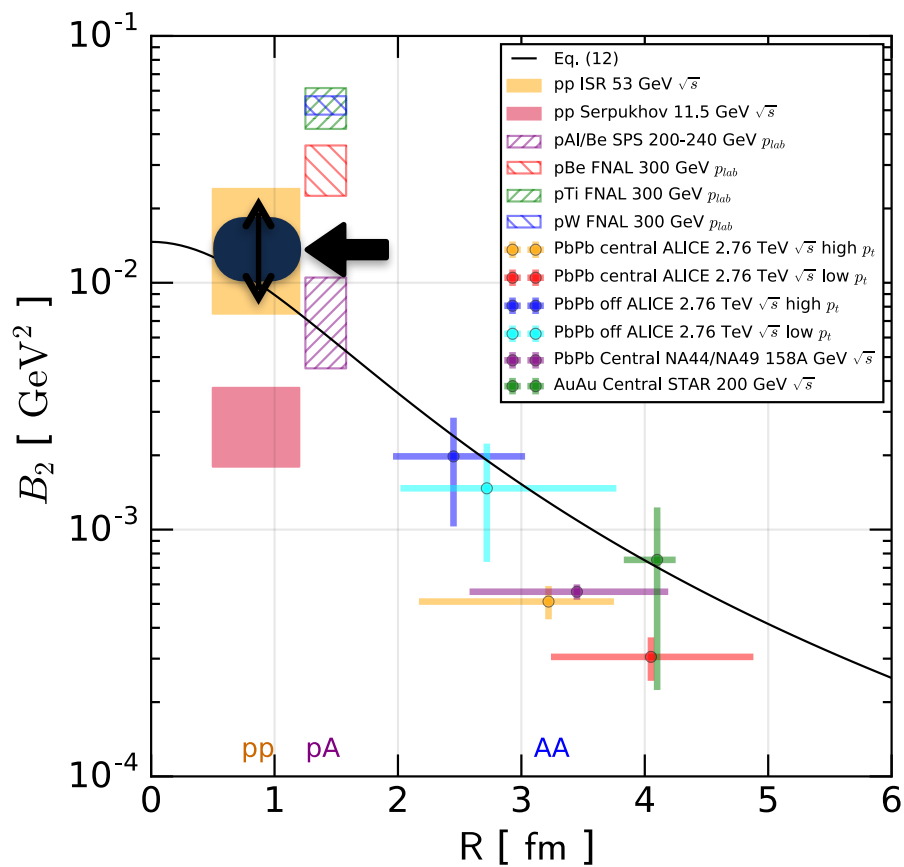


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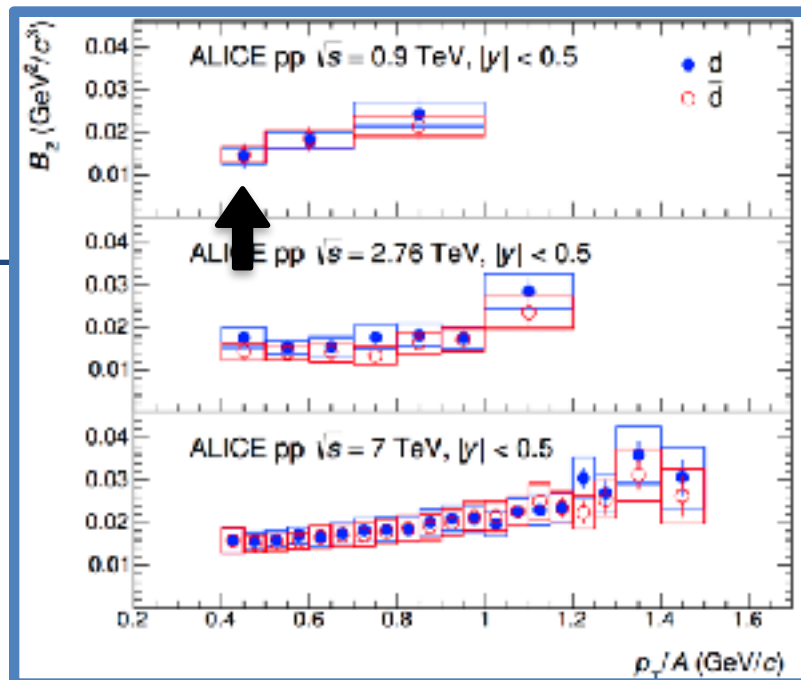
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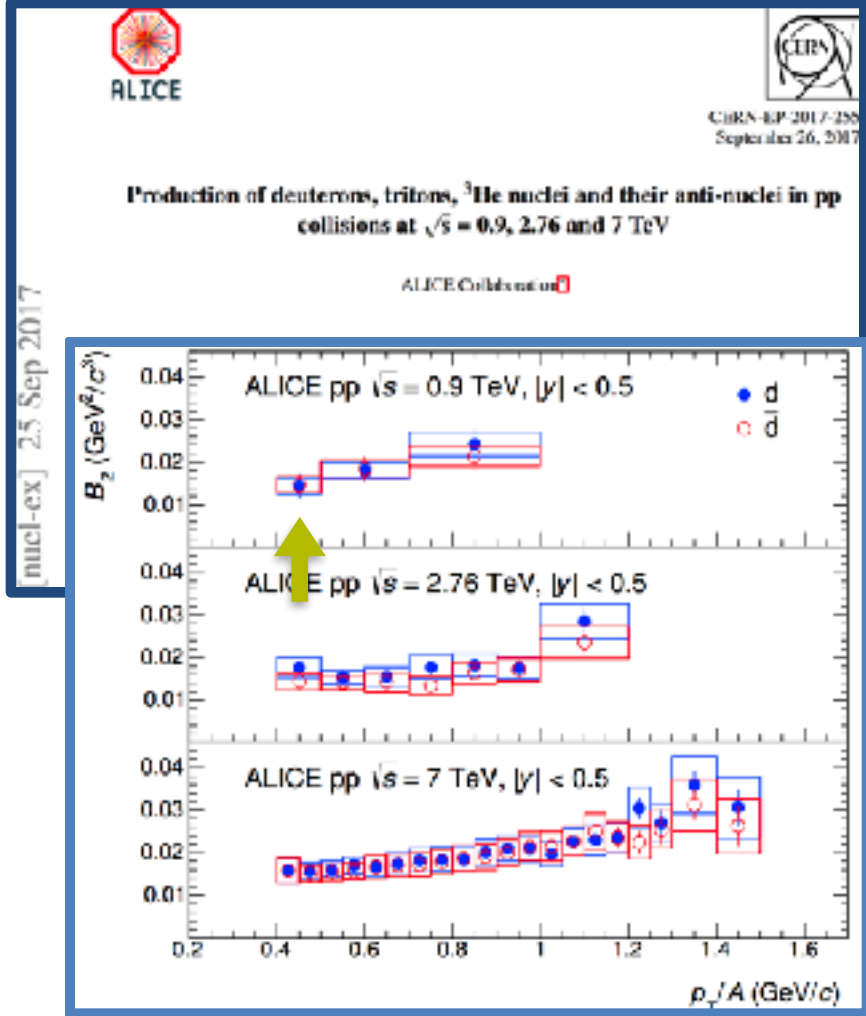
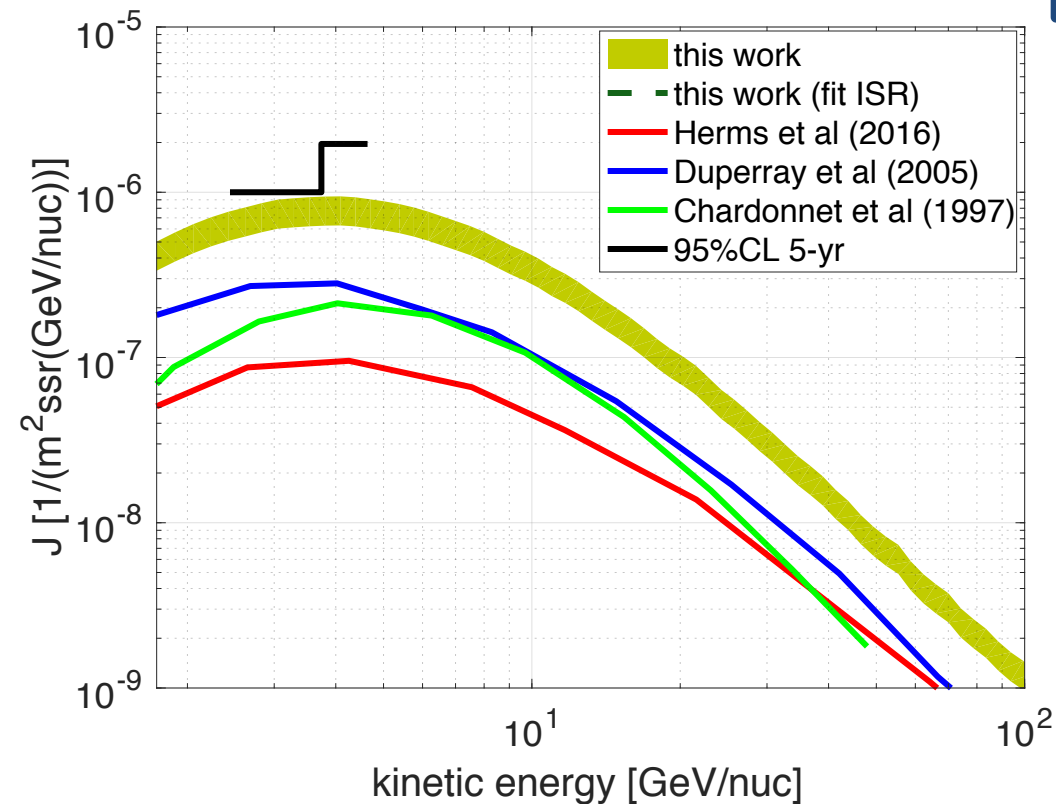
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Implication of ALICE results for astrophysics.

\bar{d} : secondary production by pp collisions
 may be seen at AMS02 5yr exposure.

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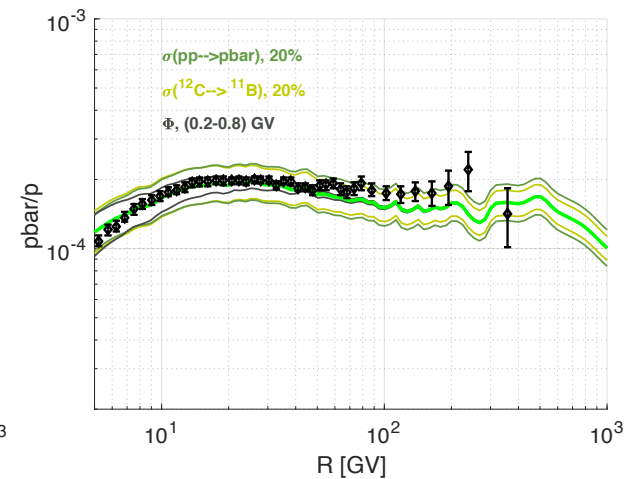
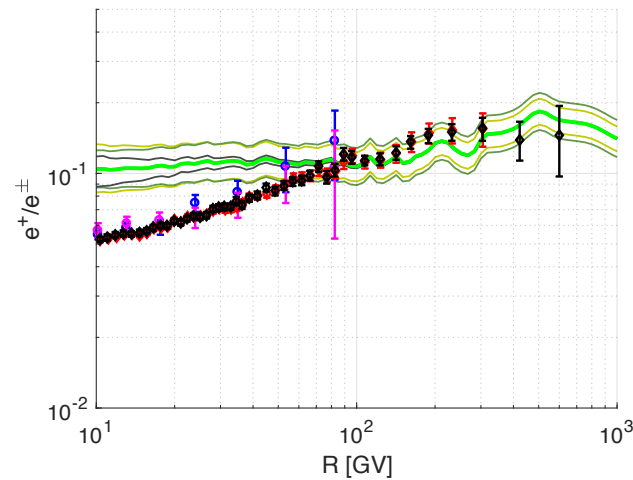
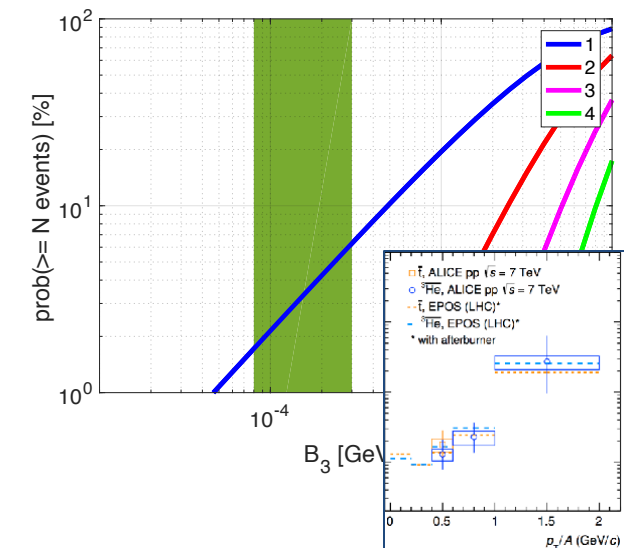
- **Positrons consistent with secondary.**

CR propagation more interesting than supposed in simplified diffusion models

- **Secondary anti-He3, anti-d events in 5-year of AMS02?**

1 anti-He3 event plausible. 5 events unlikely from (the naively dominant) pp collisions

Anti-d events: not much below, possibly in reach.



$$\frac{n_{e^+}}{n_{\bar{p}}} = f_{e^+}(\mathcal{R}) \frac{Q_{e^+}(\mathcal{R})}{Q_{\bar{p}}(\mathcal{R})}$$

Secondary upper bound

$$f_{e^+}(\mathcal{R}) \leq 1$$

More robust (no need to go via B/C):

