

AMS-02 results and perspectives for future measurements with a magnetic spectrometer

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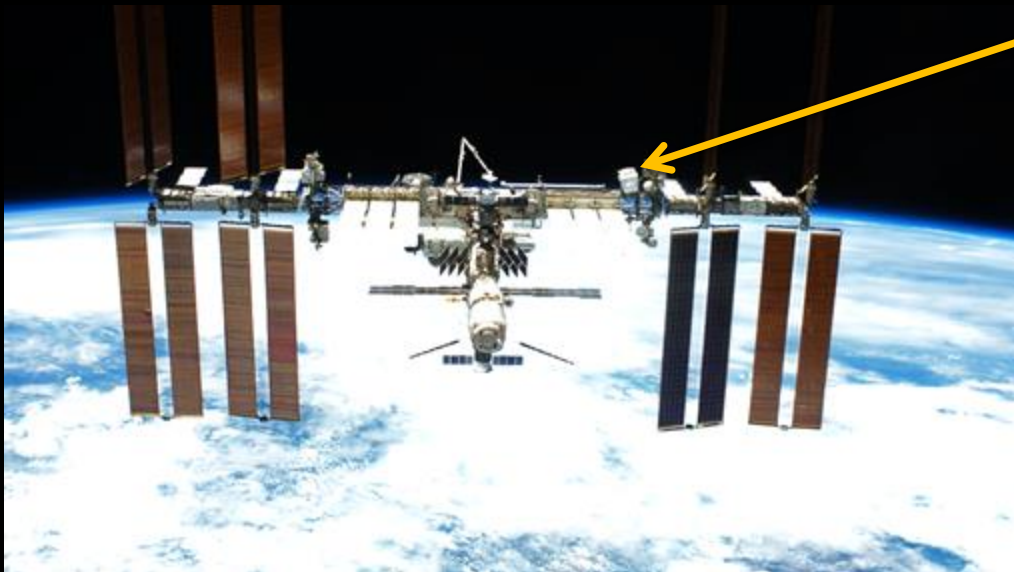
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AMS-02: Alpha Magnetic Spectrometer

Launch **MAY 2011**
Construction **1999-2010**
Dimensions **3 × 4 × 5 m³**
Weight **8.5 t**
Power **2500 W**

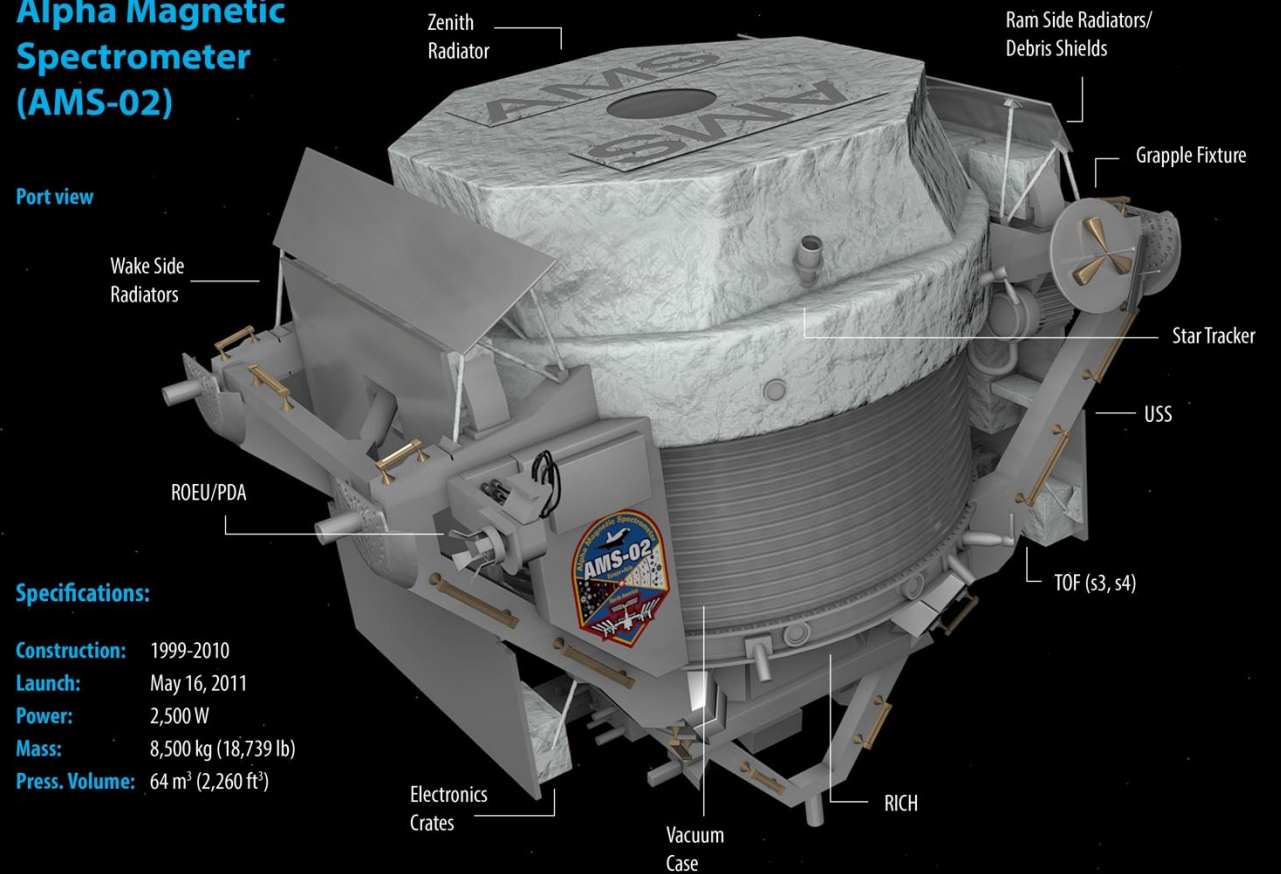
AMS will take data at least through 2030

International Space Station



Alpha Magnetic Spectrometer (AMS-02)

Port view



Specifications:

Construction: 1999-2010
Launch: May 16, 2011
Power: 2,500 W
Mass: 8,500 kg (18,739 lb)
Press. Volume: 64 m³ (2,260 ft³)

AMS-02 measures charged cosmic rays in the rigidity window from 1 GV to several TV

AMS: A TeV-Precision Spectrometer in Space

Particles and nuclei are defined by their charge (Z) and energy (E) or momentum (P). Rigidity $R = P/Z$

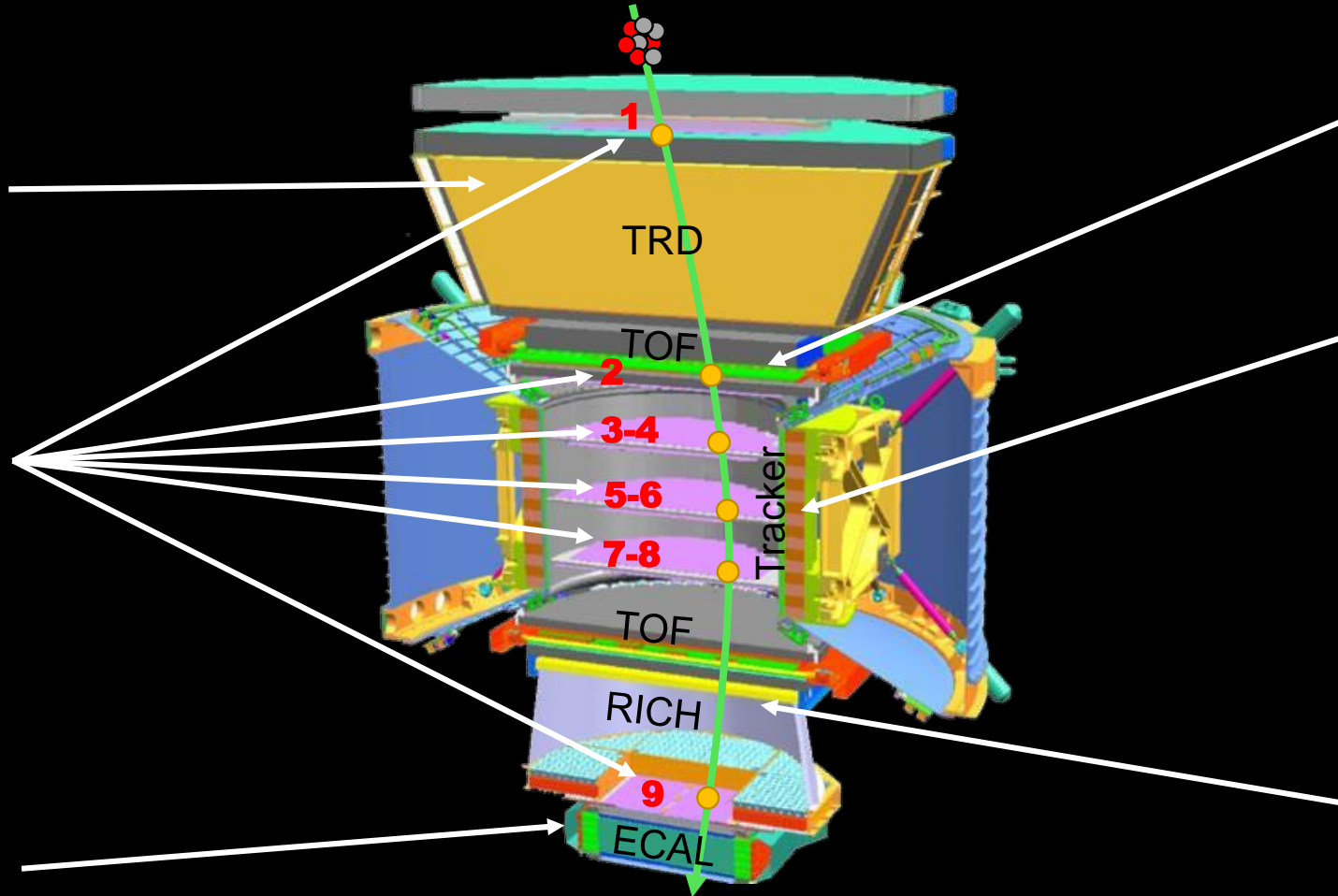
TRD: Identify e^+ , e^- , Z



Silicon Tracker: Z , P



ECAL: E of e^+ , e^-



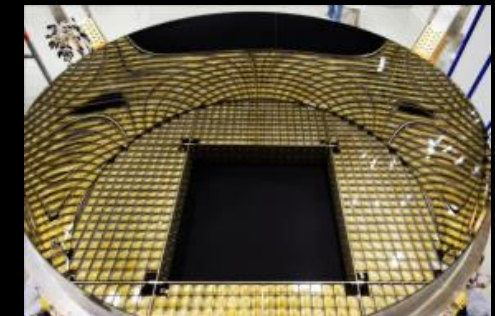
TOF: Z , E



Magnet: $\pm Z$



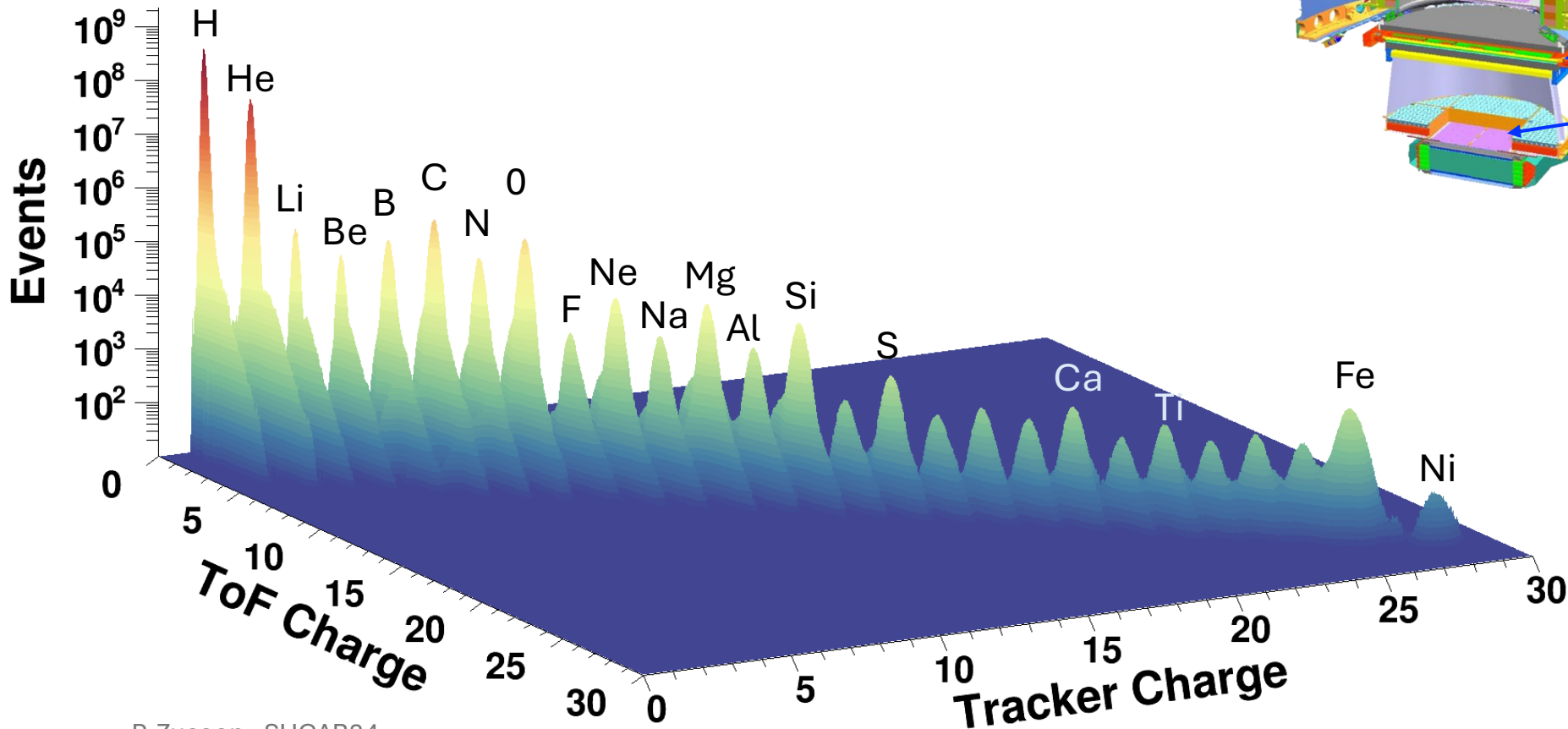
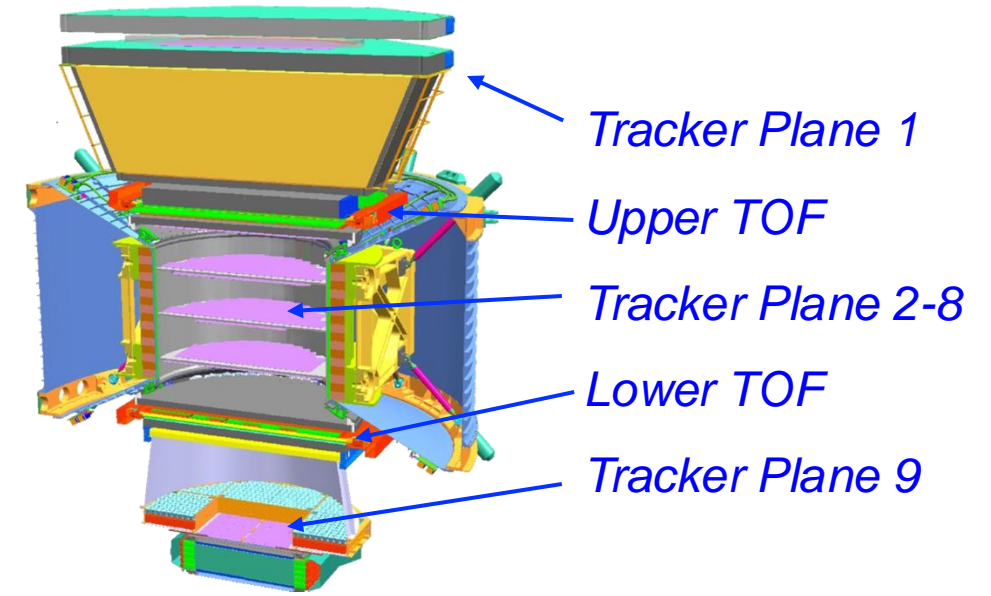
RICH: Z , E



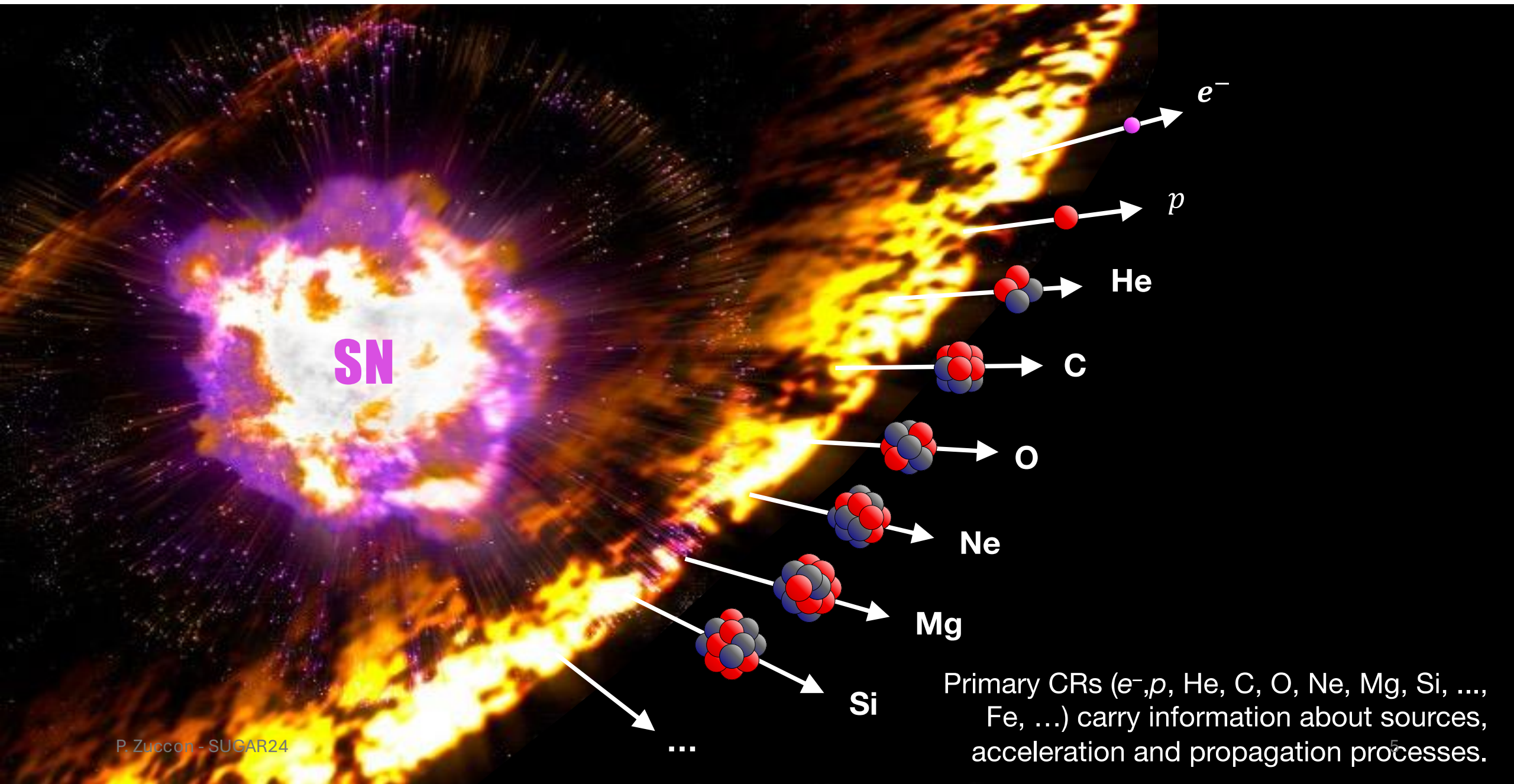
Z and P (or E)

are measured *independently* by the Tracker, RICH, TOF, and ECAL

AMS – Nuclei identification



Primary Cosmic Rays



SN

e^-

p

He

C

O

Ne

Mg

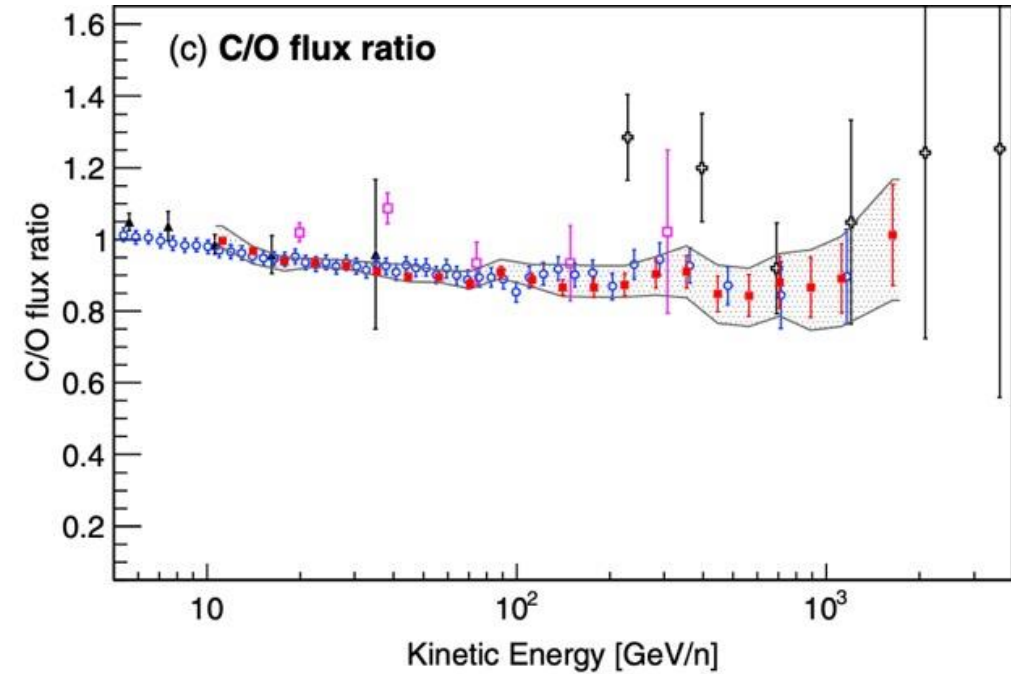
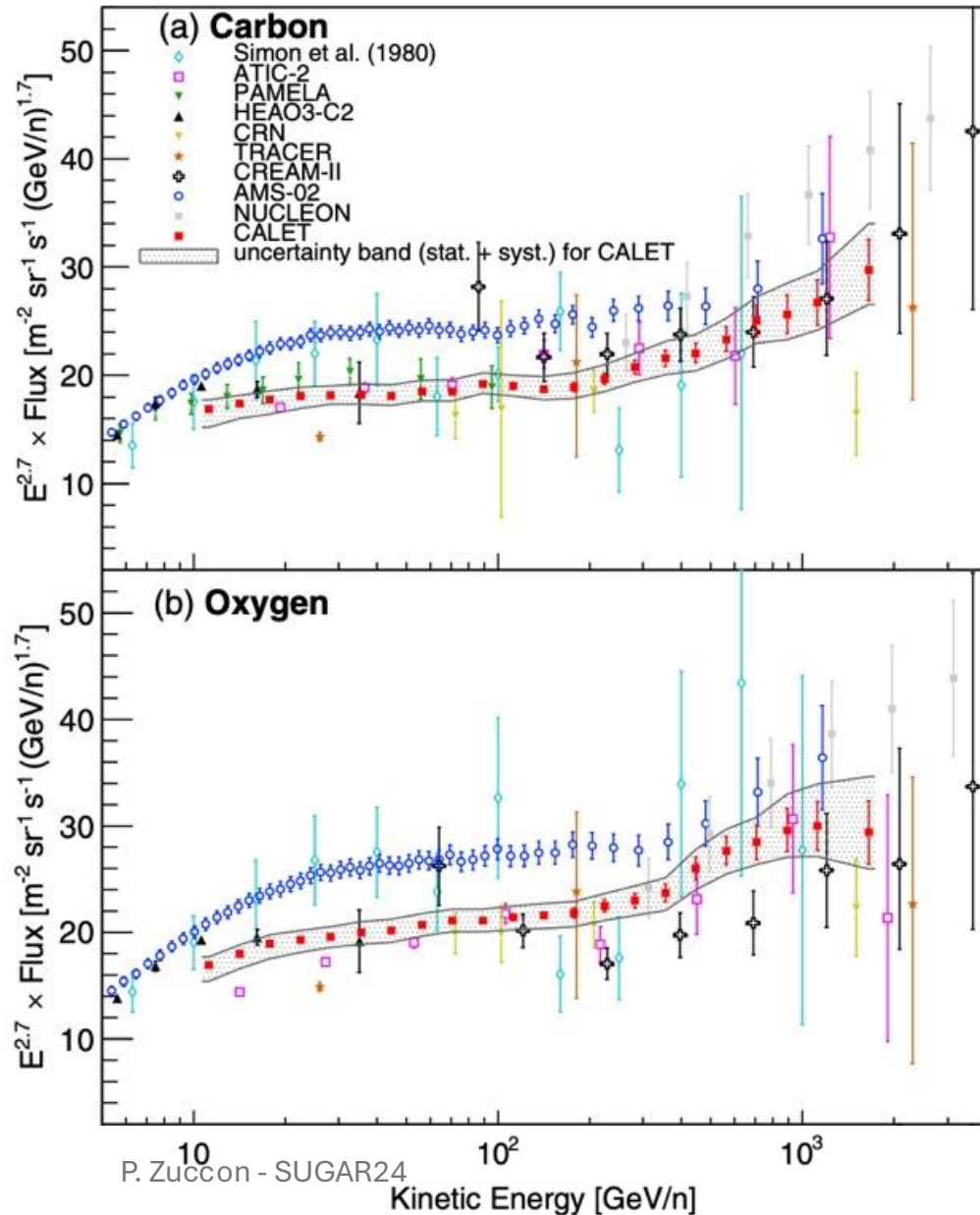
Si

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Primary CRs (e^- , p , He, C, O, Ne, Mg, Si, ..., Fe, ...) carry information about sources, acceleration and propagation processes.

Carbon and Oxygen Fluxes

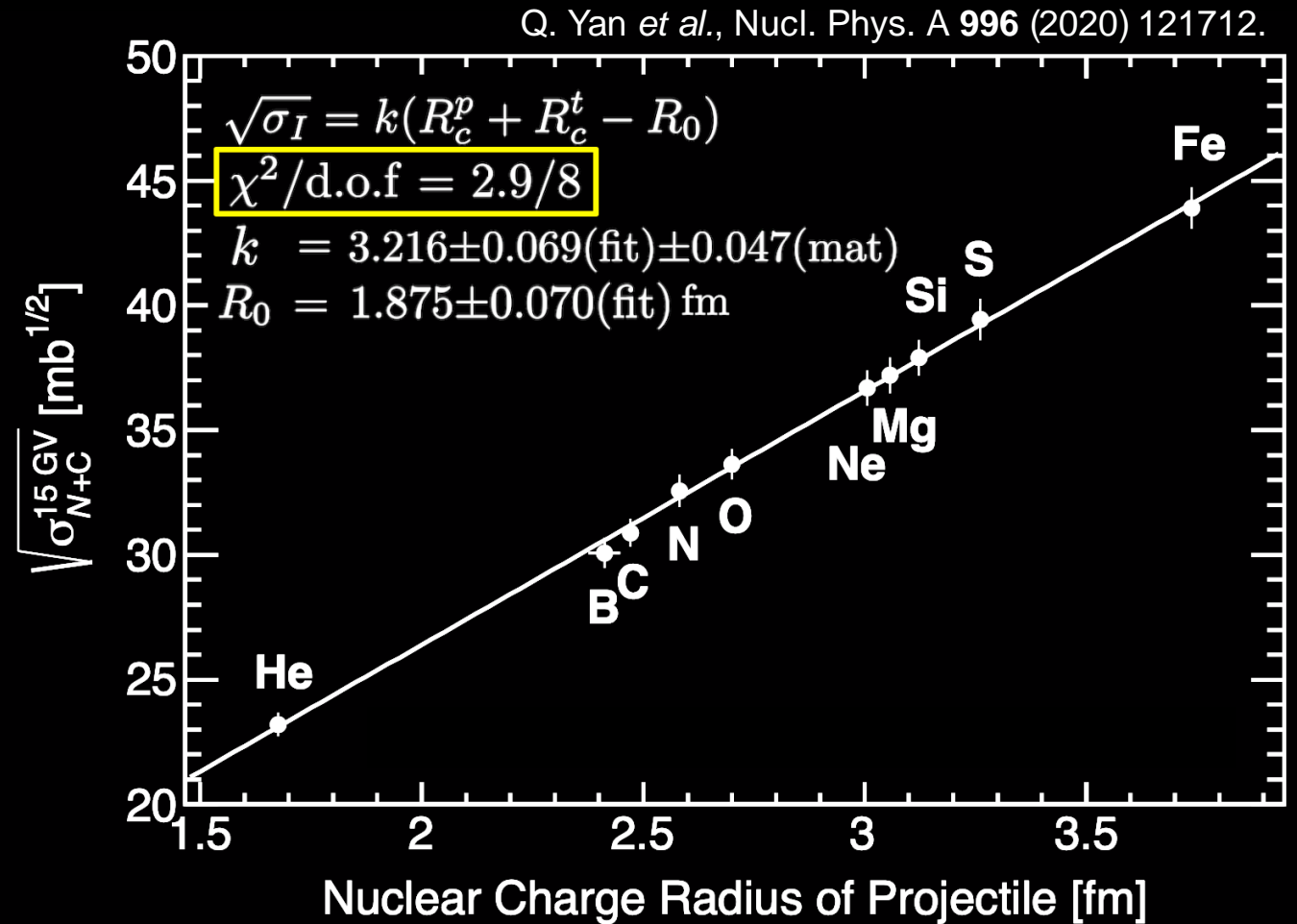
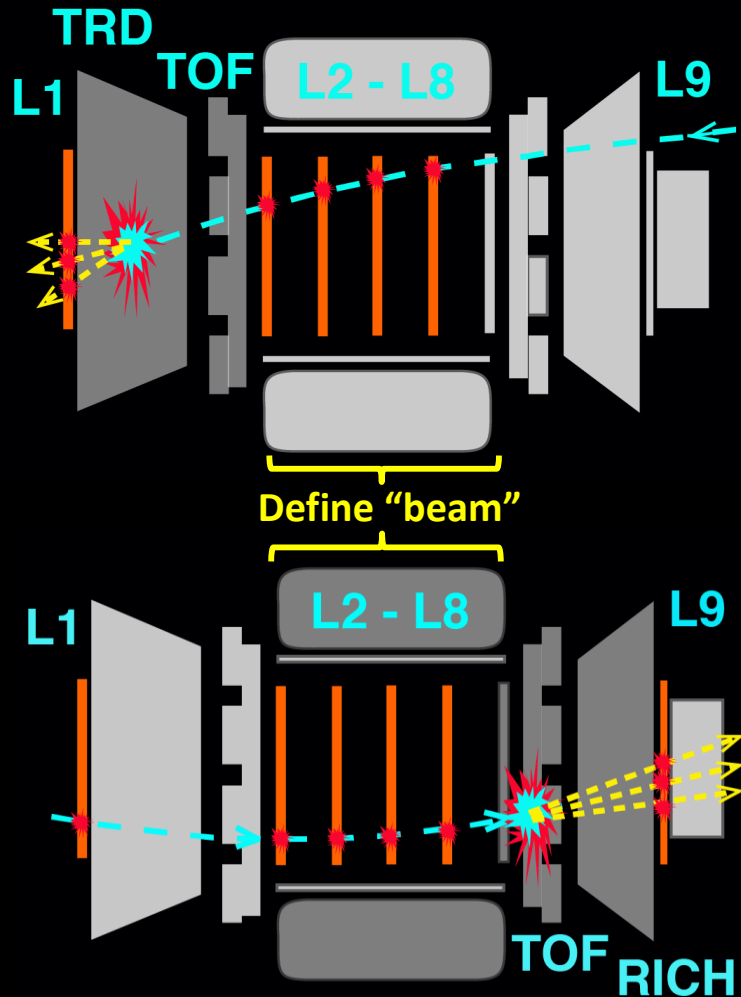
O. Adriani *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **125** (2020) 251102.



- C and O show a **hardening at hundreds of GeV/n**.
- **Similar energy dependence** observed by AMS-02 and CALET.
- **Difference in flux normalization** between experiments.
- C/O is smooth, meaning that **C and O have similar hardening**.
- All experiments agree in the C/O.

About Flux Normalization: the Nuclear Cross Sections

AMS has made nuclei Interaction cross-section measurements (N+C) in a wide rigidity range from a few GV to TV allowing for the precise control of the flux normalization.

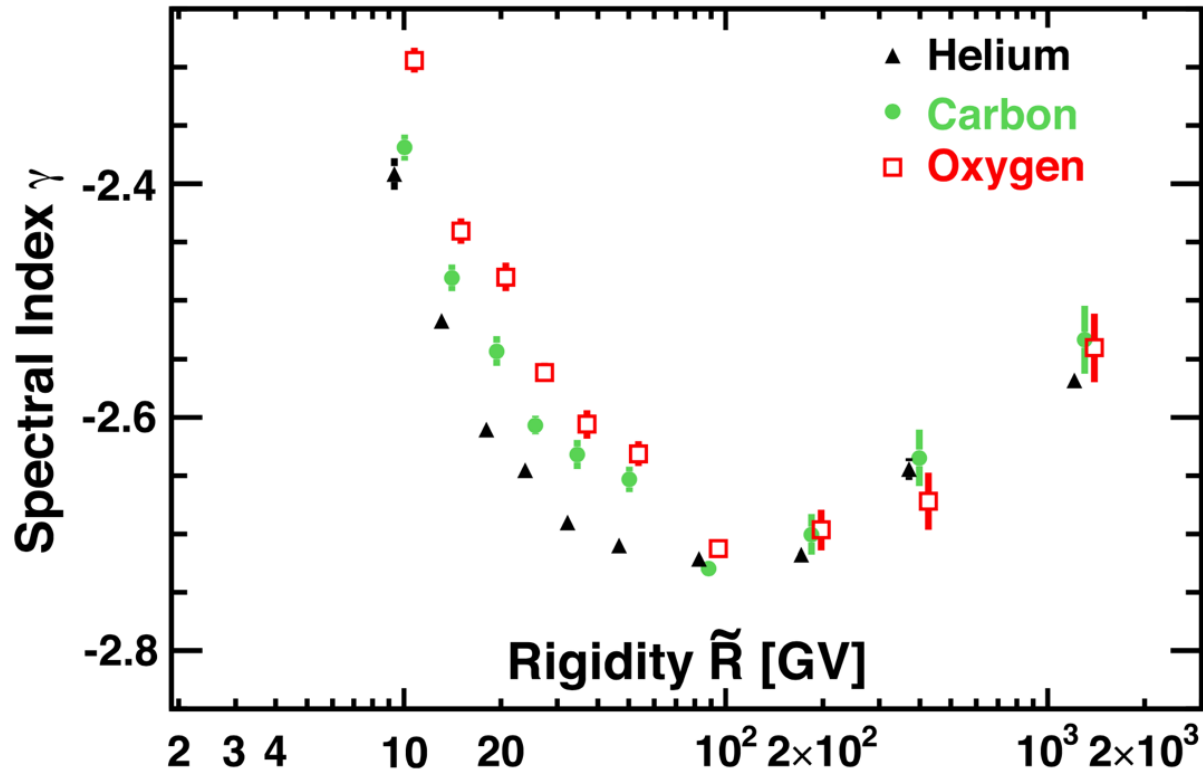


Nuclear inelastic interactions (nuclei over C, Al, Si) are in general not well known, and are important for accurate measurement of CRs and to understand the differences between different experimental measurements.

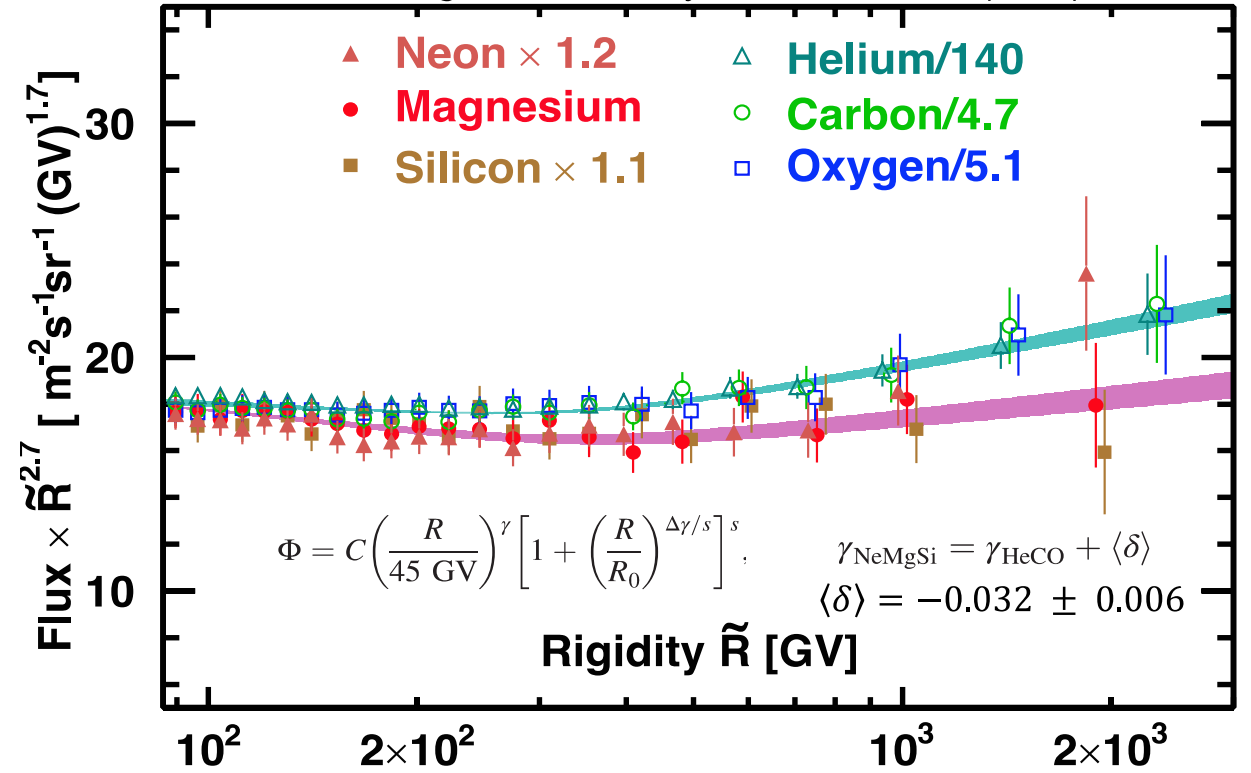
He, C, O, Ne, Mg, and Si

AMS studied with precision the spectral behavior of low-Z He ($Z=2$), C ($Z=6$), and O ($Z=8$) and high-Z Ne ($Z=10$), Mg ($Z=12$) and Si ($Z=14$) primaries.

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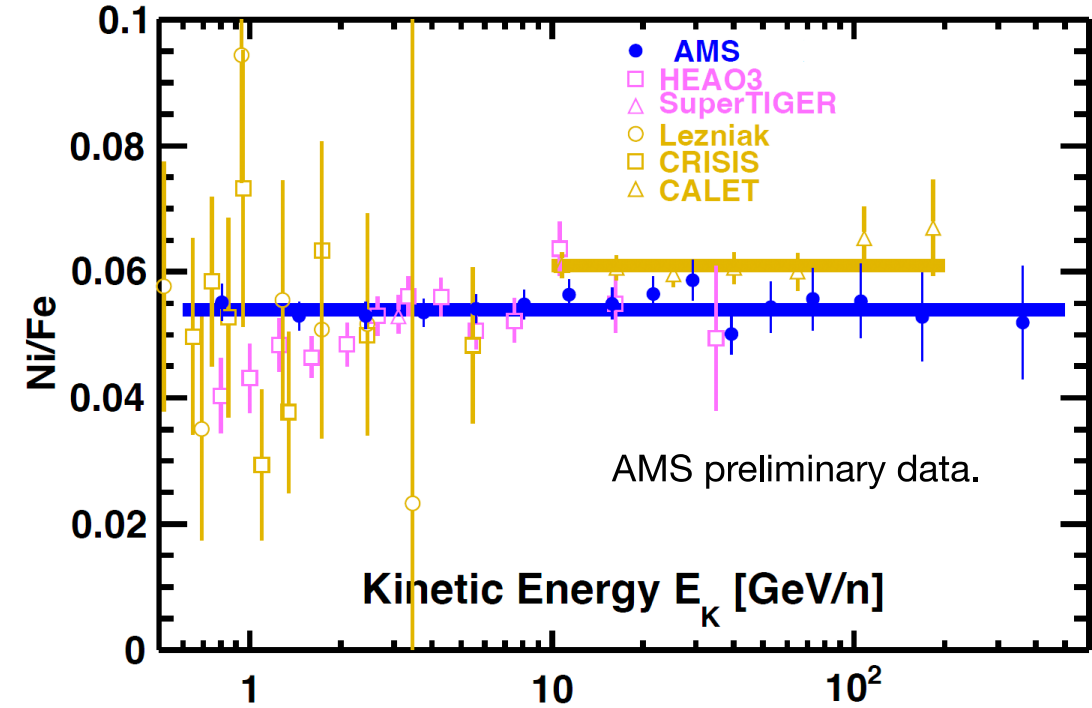
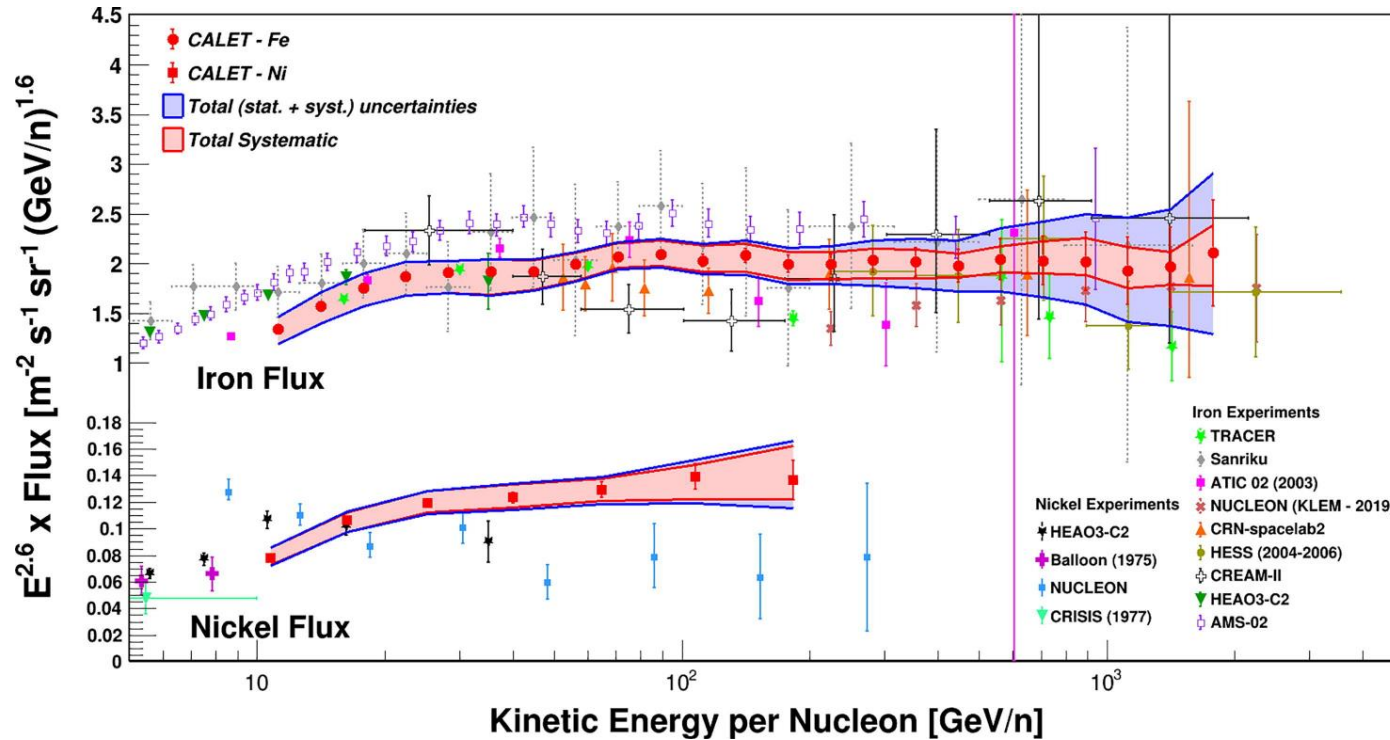


He, C, and O have the same rigidity dependence (i.e. hardening) above 60 GeV.

Above 86.5 GeV the Ne, Mg and Si have a different spectral dependence with respect to He, C and O.

Iron and Nickel Fluxes and Their Ratio

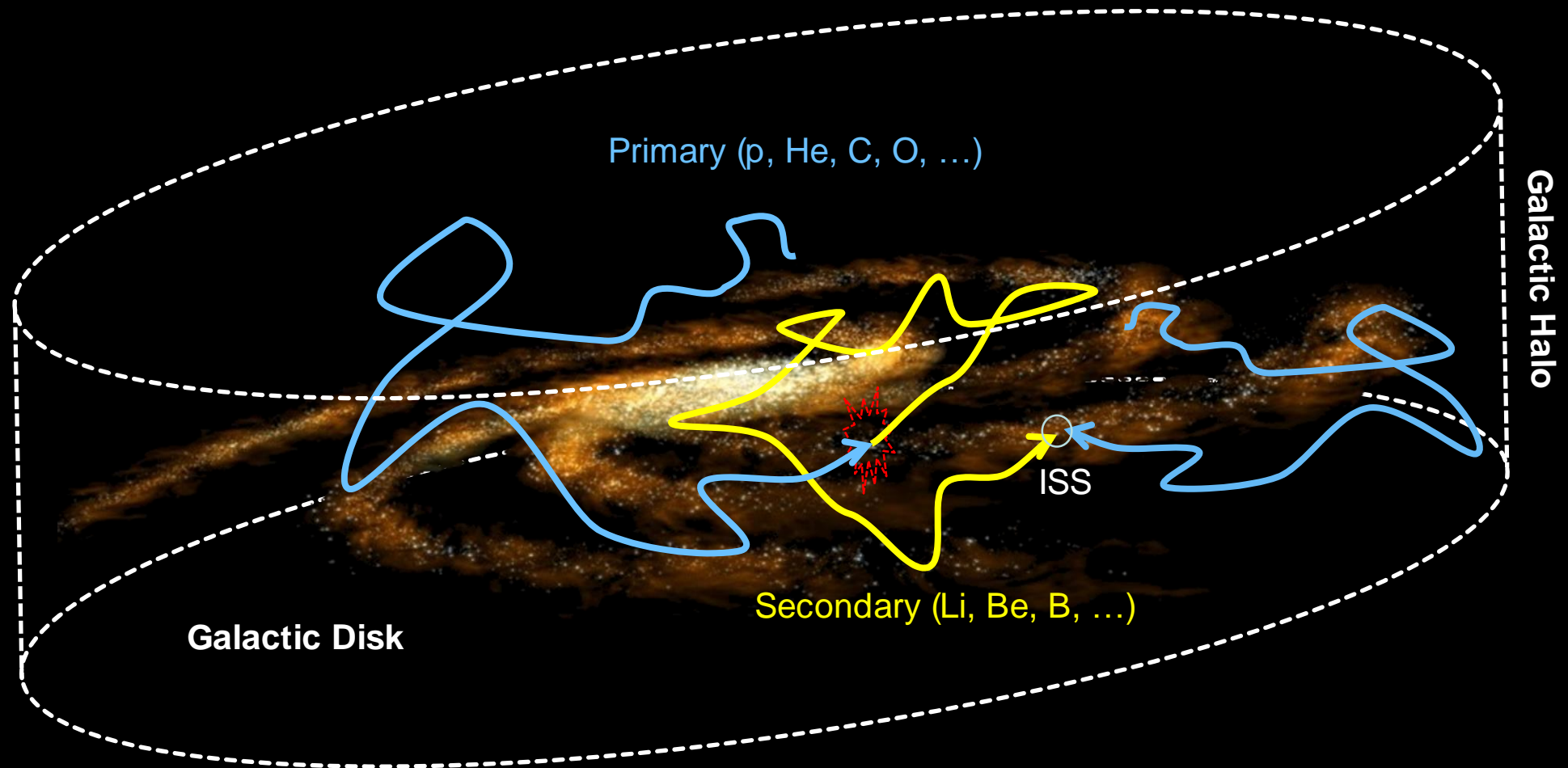
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Similar energy dependence observed by recent AMS-02 and CALET data.
Some normalization difference between different experiments.

Secondary Cosmic Rays

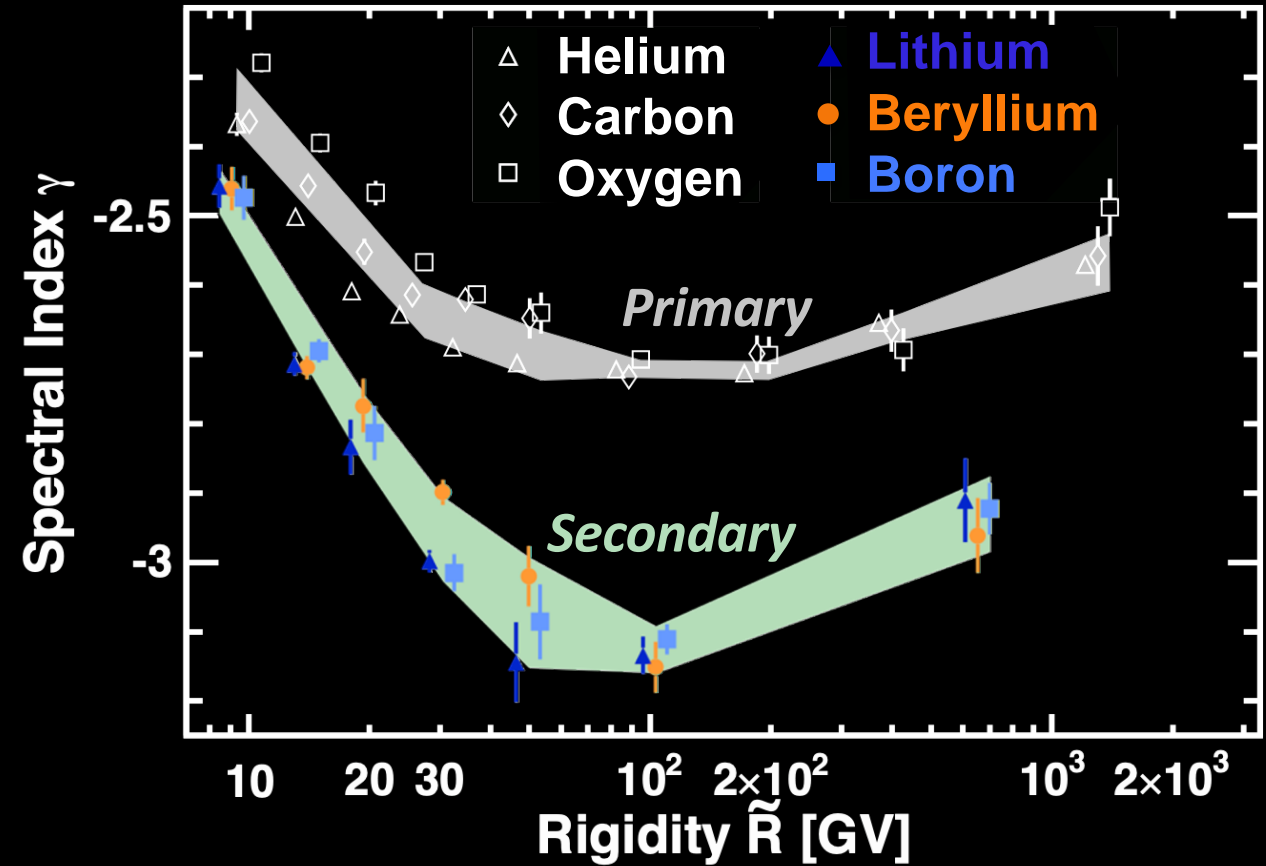
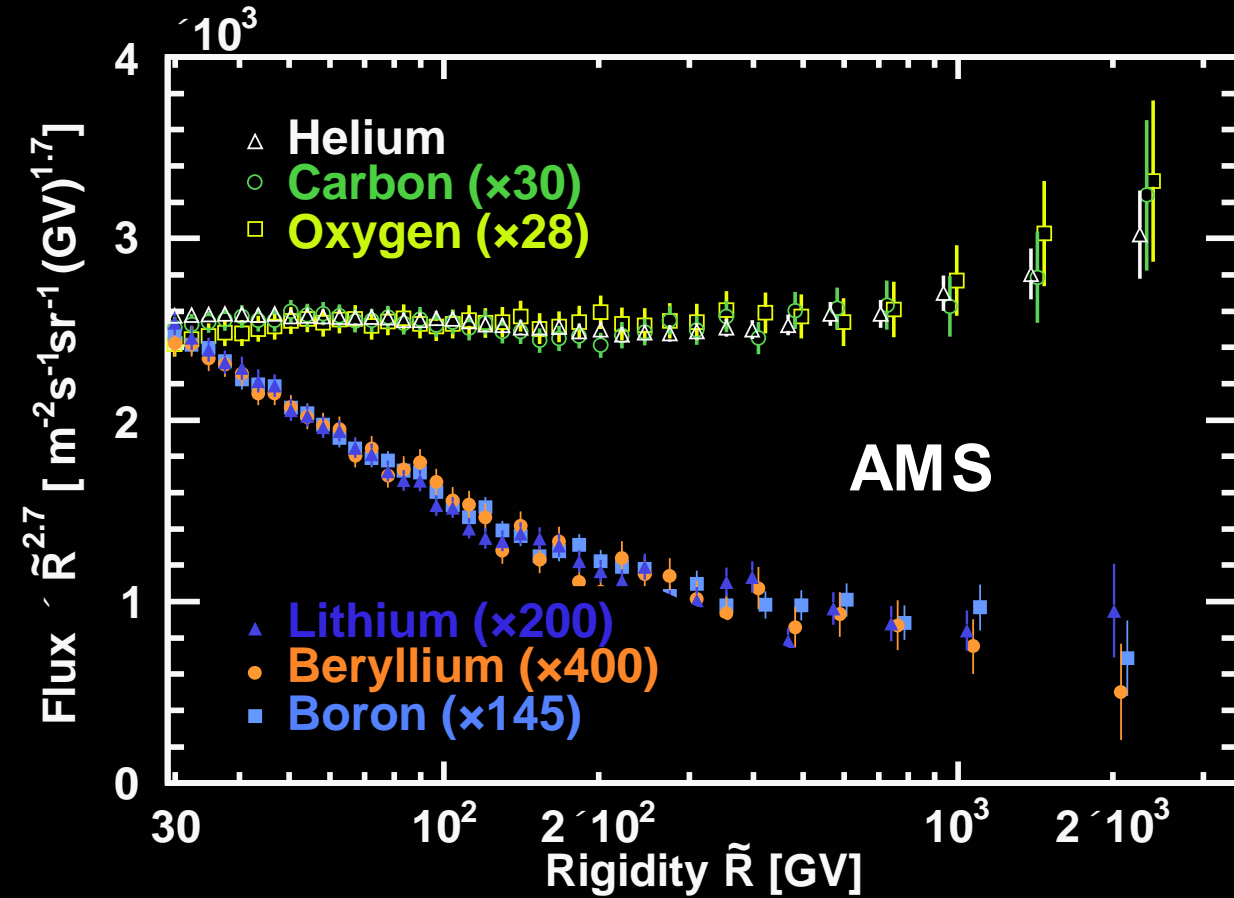
While cosmic ray **primaries** are mostly produced at astrophysical sources (ex. e^- , p , He, C, O, ...), **secondaries** (ex. Li, Be, B, ...) are mostly produced by the collision of cosmic rays with the ISM.



Cosmic rays are commonly modeled as a relativistic gas diffusing into a magnetized plasma. Basic characteristics of this models are understood studying the **secondary/primary** ratios.¹⁰

Fluxes of Primaries and Secondaries with $\leq \leq$

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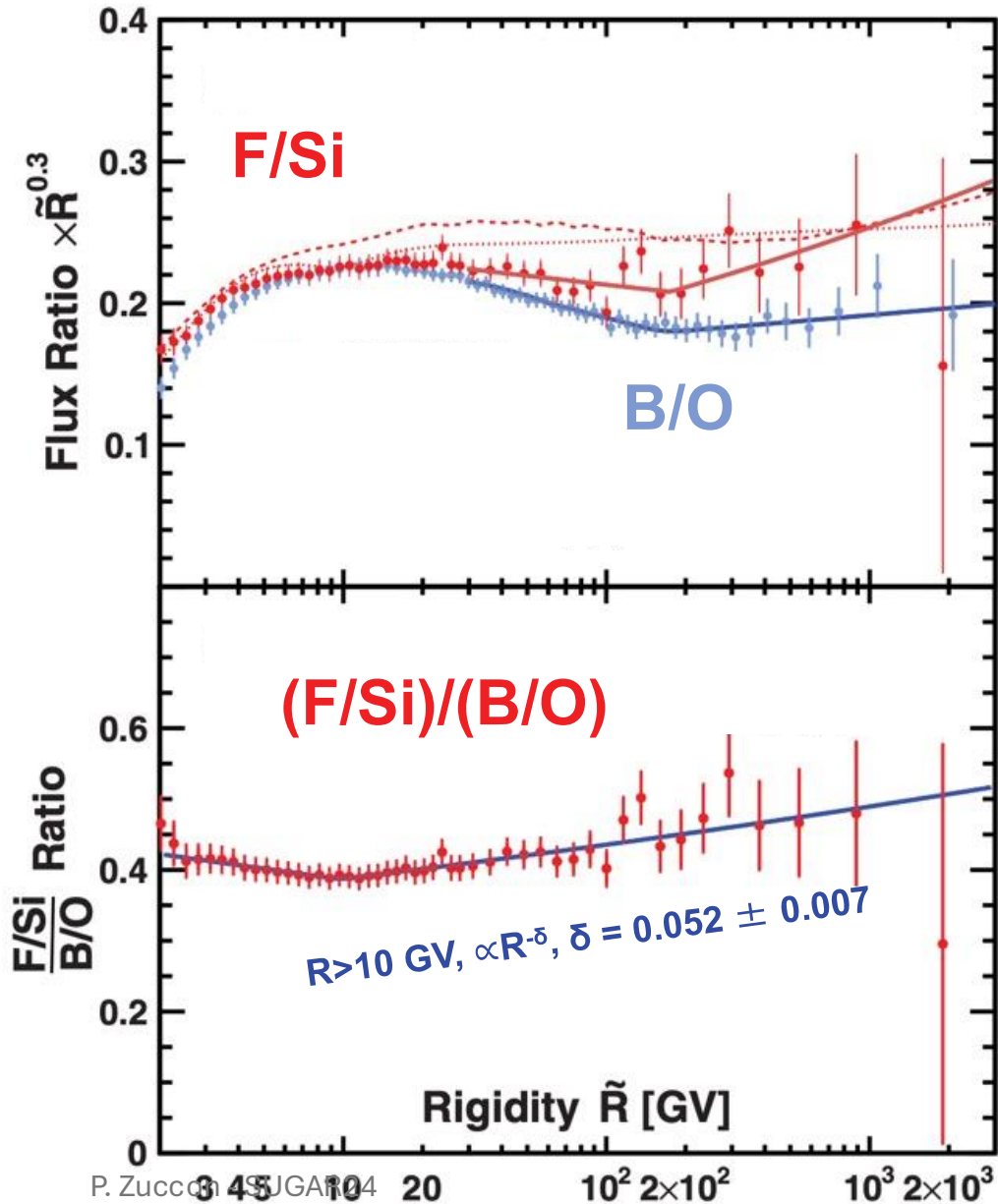


All light nuclei fluxes deviate from single power law above 200 GV.

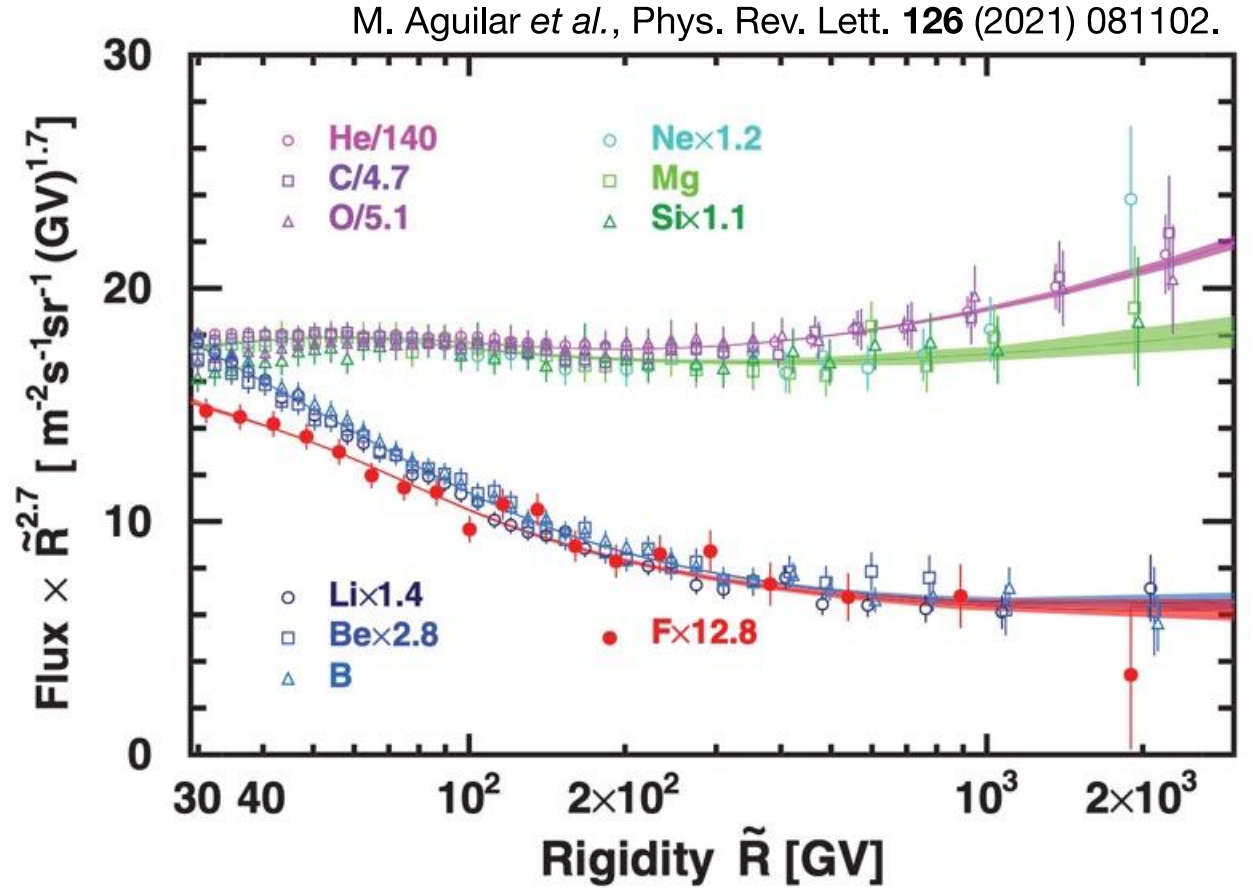
Secondary hardening is stronger.

This favors the hypothesis that the flux hardening is a **universal propagation effect.**

Secondary/Primary Ratio as a Function of Z



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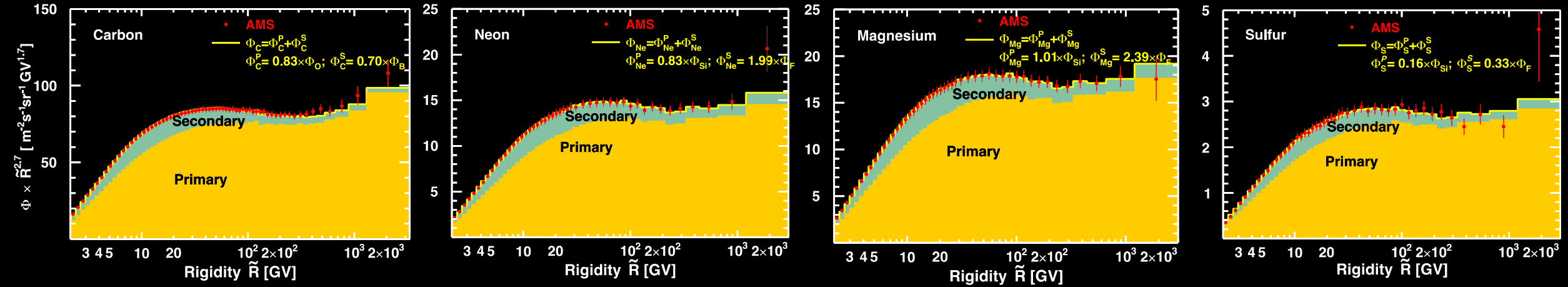


F/Si and B/O have different rigidity dependence, indicating that propagation properties of high-Z CRs, from F to Si, are different from those of low-Z CRs, from He to O.

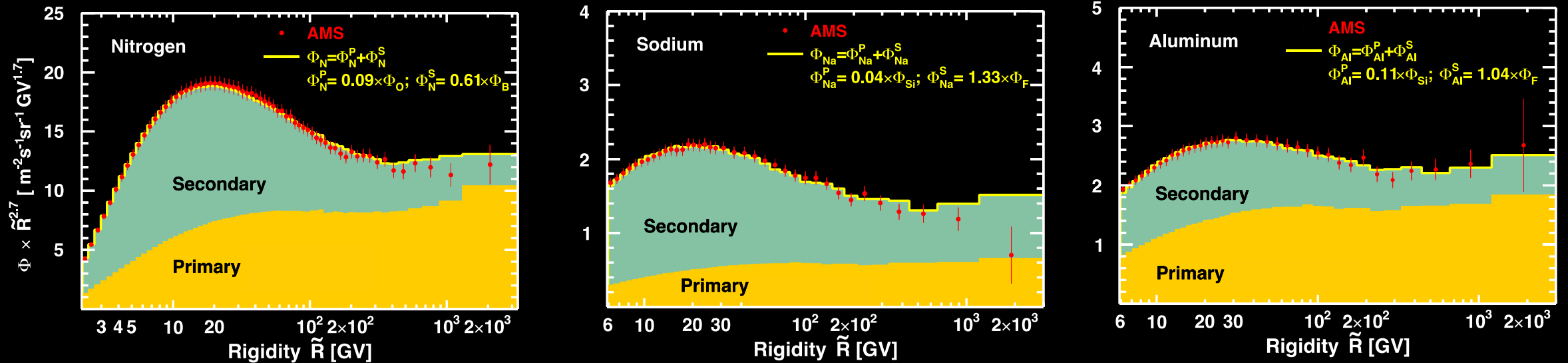
The rigidity dependence of F is different from Li, Be, B.

Primary/Secondary Composition with AMS

The composition fits are based on assumed pure primary (O, Si) and secondary (B, F) fluxes.

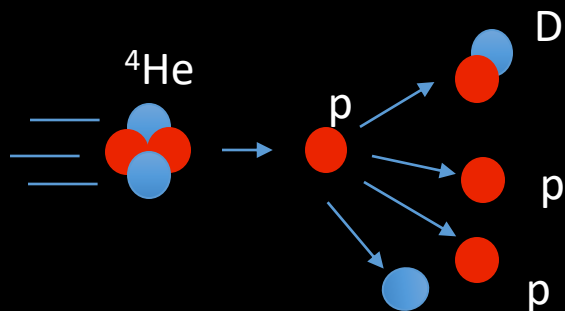


Even-Z nuclei are dominated by primaries



Odd-Z nuclei have more secondaries than even-Z

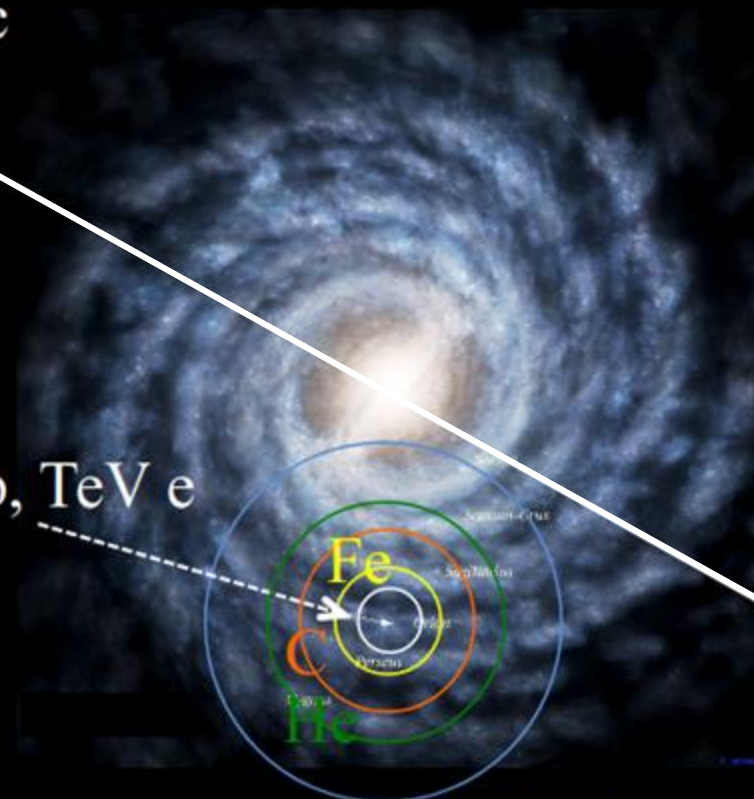
Hydrogen and Helium ISOTOPES



50 kpc

- Helium nuclei are the second most abundant nuclei in cosmic rays.
- D and ${}^3\text{He}$ are mostly produced by the fragmentation of ${}^4\text{He}$: simpler comparison with propagation models wrt heavy nuclei
- Smaller cross section of He: $\text{D}/{}^4\text{He}$ and ${}^3\text{He}/{}^4\text{He}$ probe the properties of diffusion at larger distances

Pb, TeV e



p, 10 GeV e

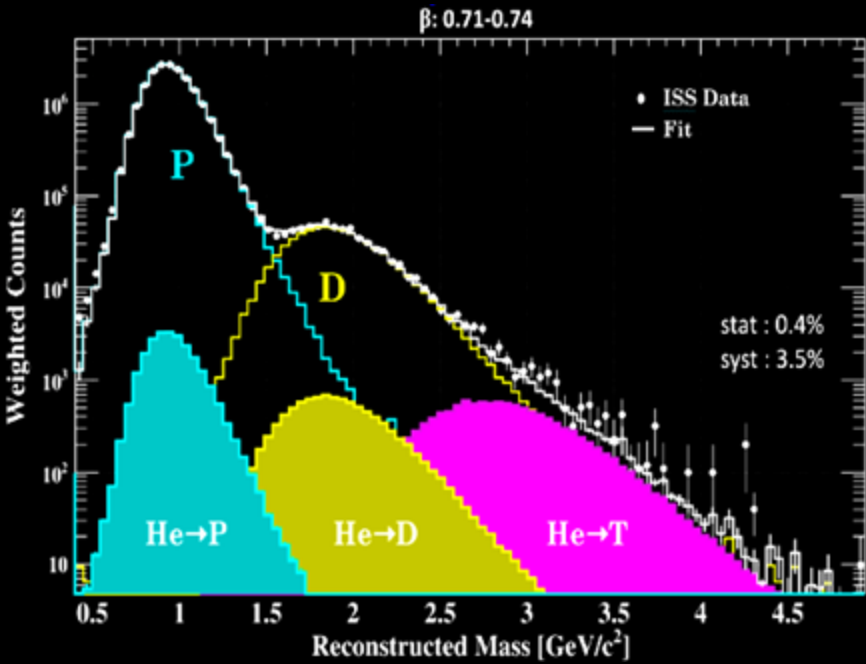
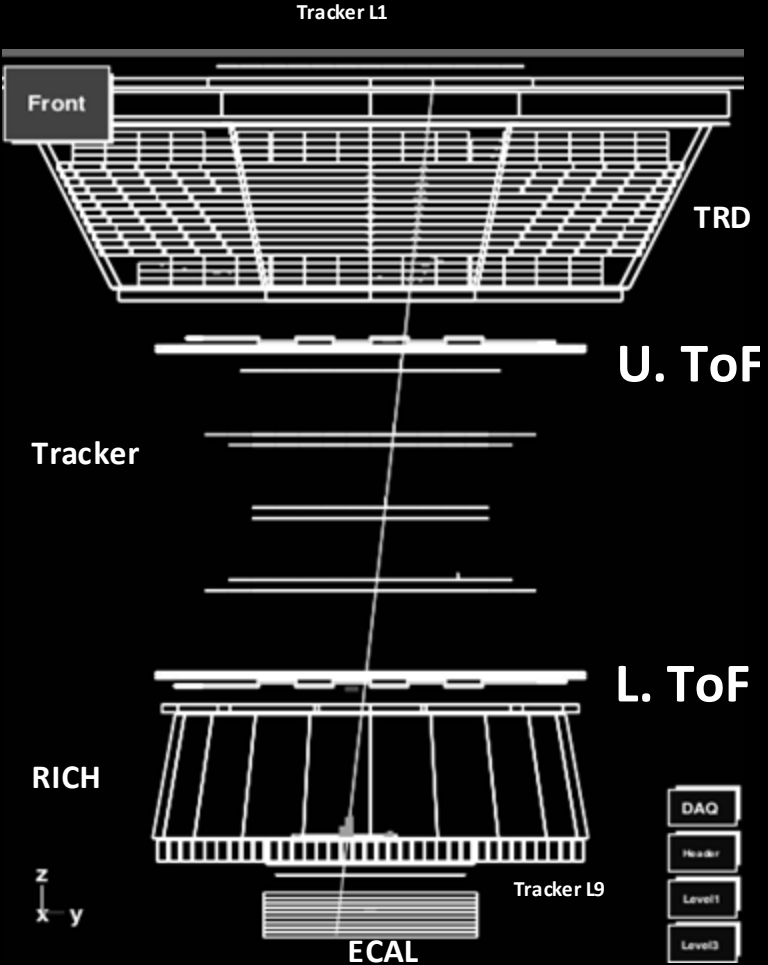
- Different A/Z ratios of D and ${}^3\text{He}$ allow to disentangle kinetic energy and rigidity dependence of propagation.

Light isotope measurements with AMS02



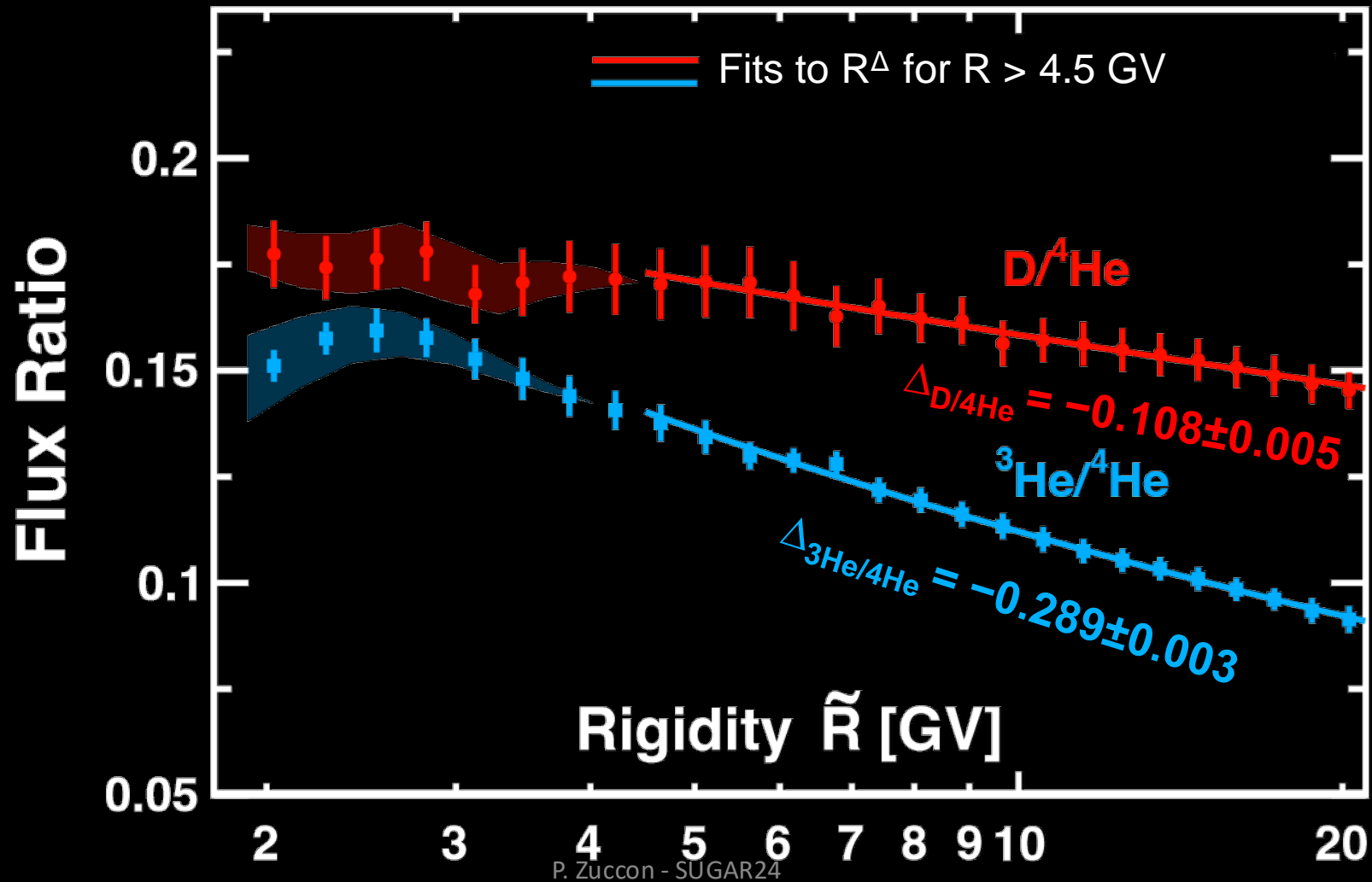
- AMS is composed by different sub-detectors for the redundant ID of the elements in CR
- The **Mass** is identified from the concurrent measurement of **Rigidity, Velocity** and **Charge**
- Mass resolution** not good enough for event-by-event isotope ID -> Fit of distribution

TOF	$\sigma_{\beta}/\beta \sim 3\%$	$0.2 < E_k < 1.1 \text{ GeV/n}$
RICH NaF	$\sigma_{\beta}/\beta \sim 0.3\%$	$0.7 < E_k < 3.7 \text{ GeV/n}$
RICH AgI	$\sigma_{\beta}/\beta \sim 0.1\%$	$2.6 < E_k < 8.9 \text{ GeV/n}$



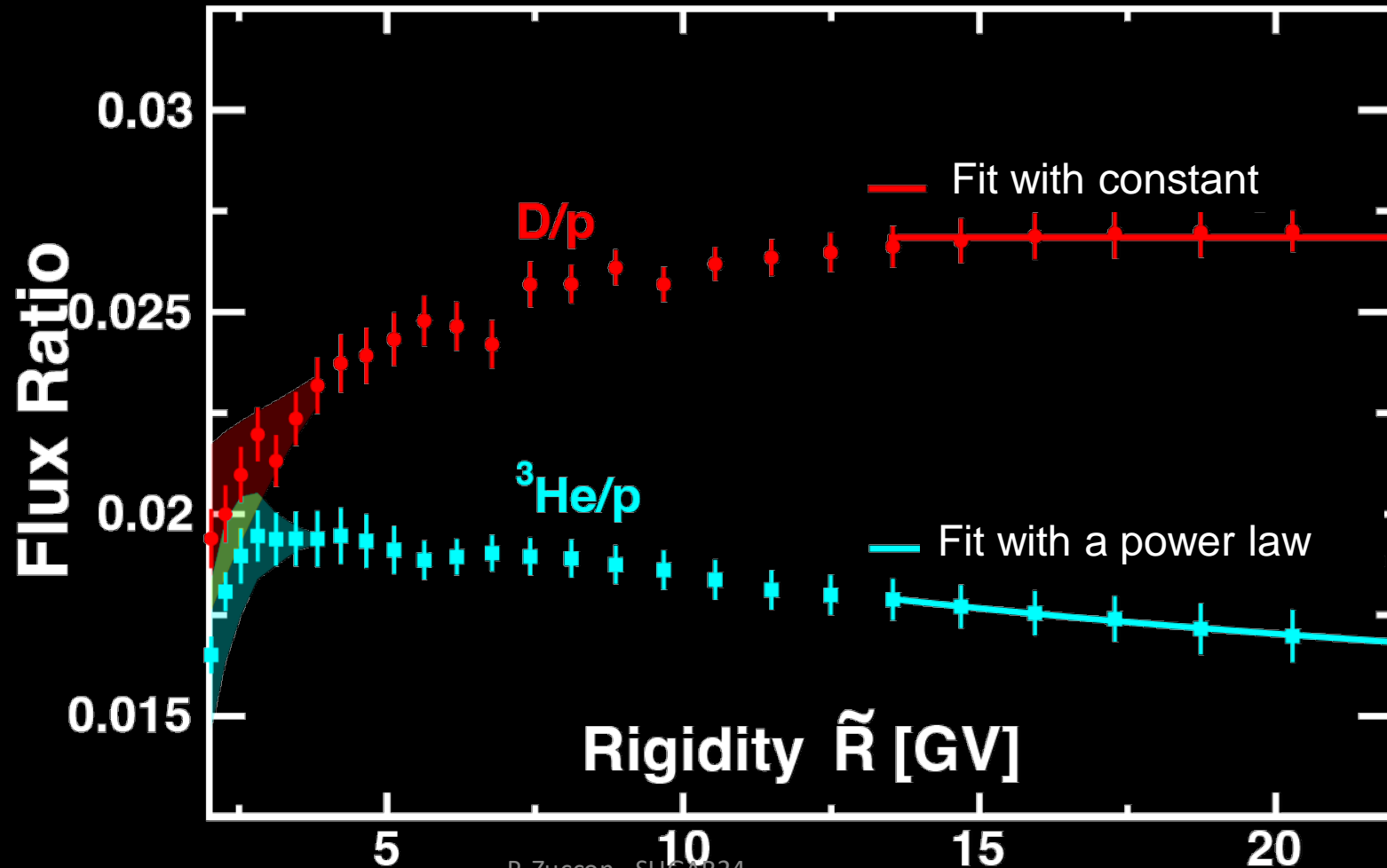
$^3\text{He}/^4\text{He}$ and $\text{D}/^4\text{He}$ Flux Ratios

Unexpectedly, the $\text{D}/^4\text{He}$ flux ratio spectral index is different from that observed for the $^3\text{He}/^4\text{He}$ flux ratio.



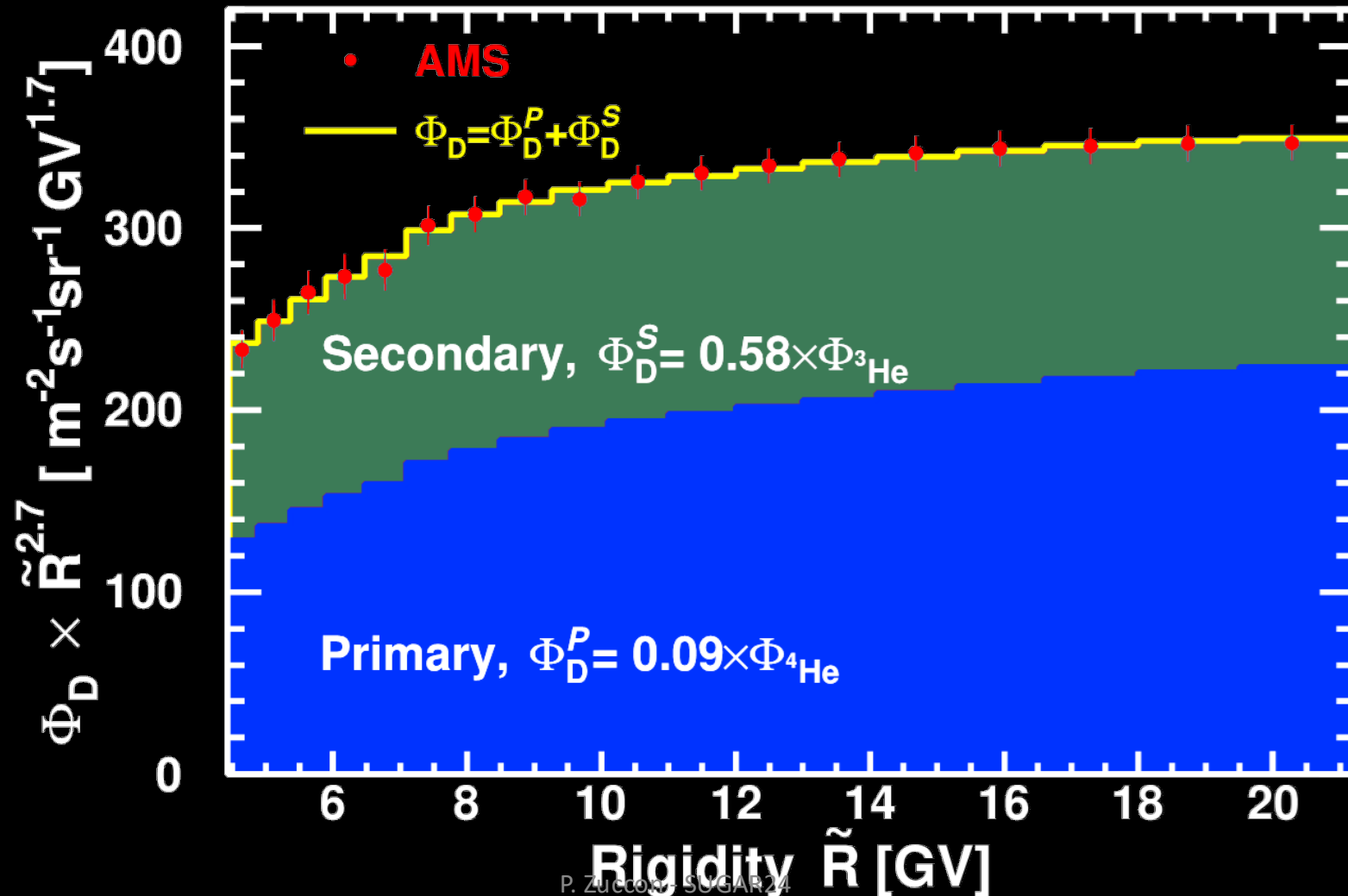
D/p Flux Ratio

D/p flux ratio is increasing with rigidity and flattens out at high rigidities. This shows that the D and p fluxes have a nearly identical rigidity dependence between 13 and 21 GV

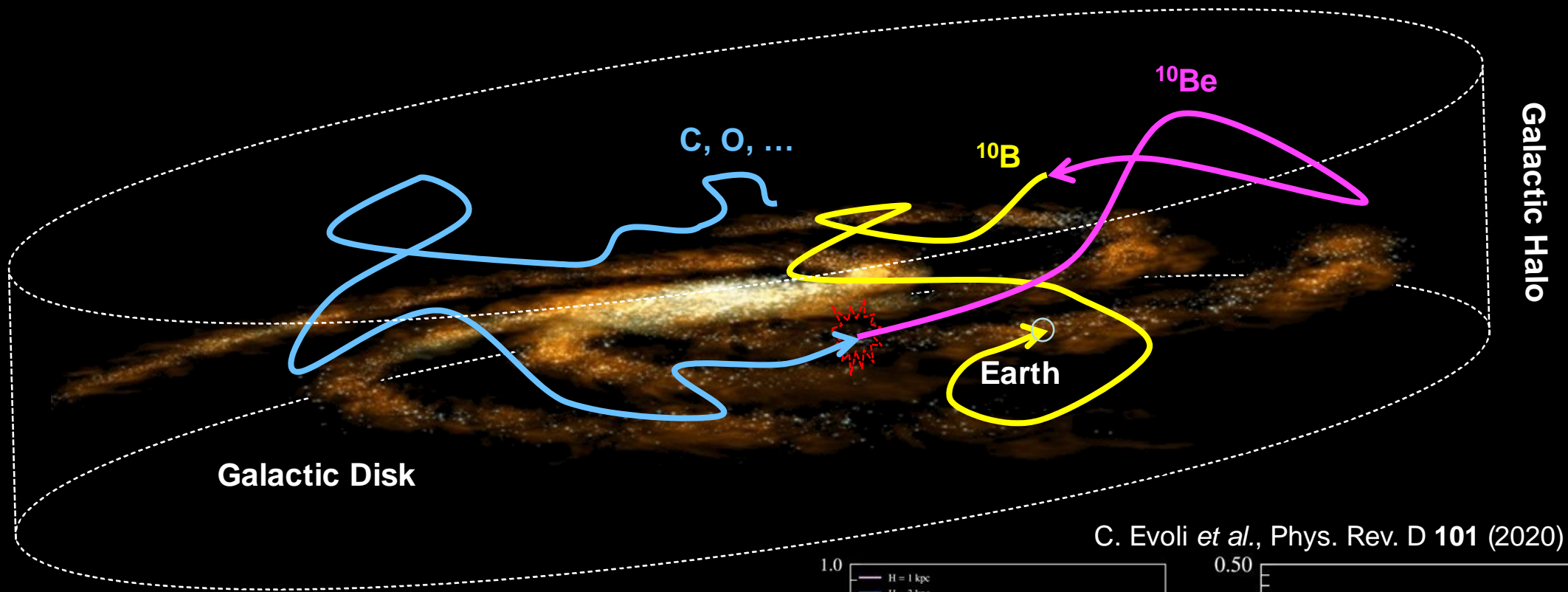


Deuteron as Primary and Secondary like components

To find the primary-like and secondary-like contributions in the D flux we have fitted the D flux as weighted linear combination of primary flux, $\Phi_{4\text{He}}$ and secondary flux, $\Phi_{3\text{He}}$ above 4.5 GV.

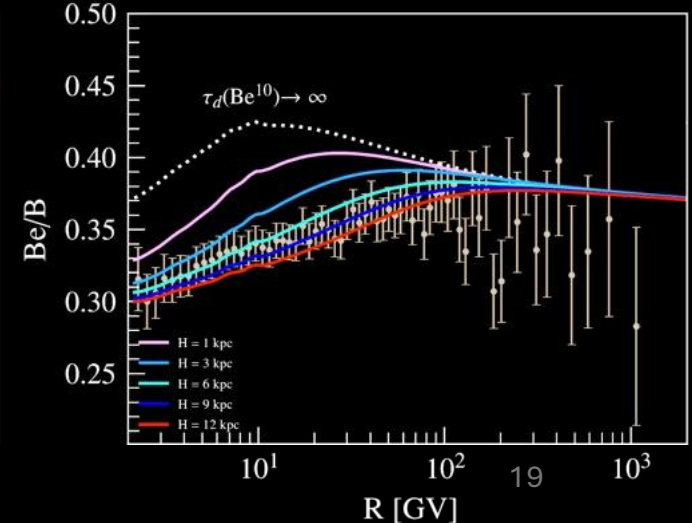
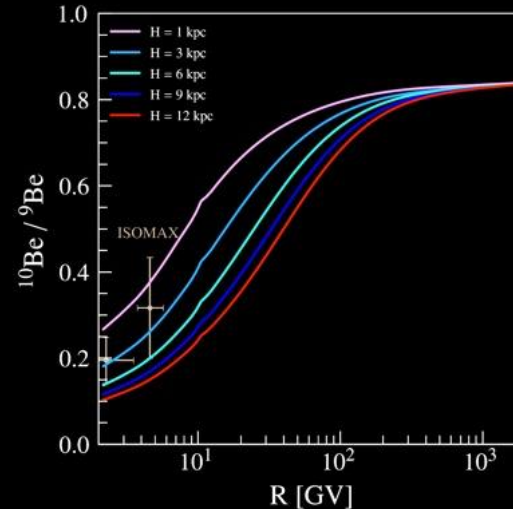


Unstable Secondary Cosmic Rays

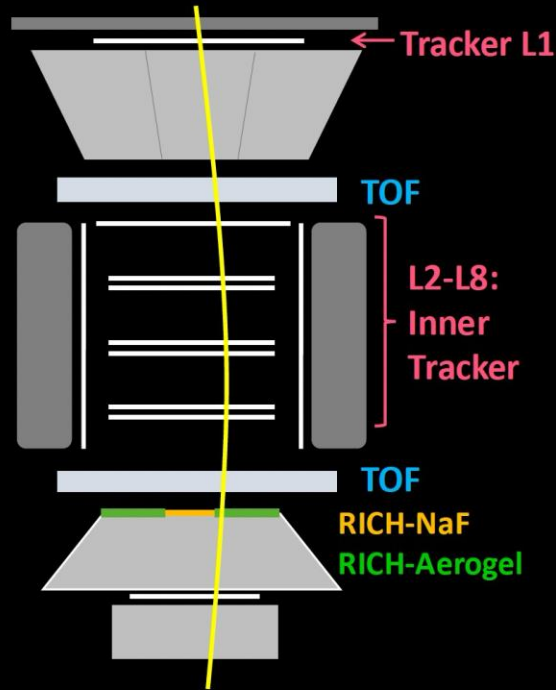


The secondary ^{10}Be -decays ($^{10}\text{Be} \rightarrow ^{10}\text{B} + e^- + e^-$) with a half-life of $t_{1/2} = 1.4$ My. Differently from spallation production, happening only on the galactic disk, ^{10}Be may decay anywhere. Therefore, the amount of ^{10}Be (and ^{10}B) with respect to other secondaries, depends to the **galactic halo size**.

C. Evoli *et al.*, Phys. Rev. D **101** (2020) 023013.



Preliminary Measurement $^{10}\text{Be}/^9\text{Be}$ with AMS-02



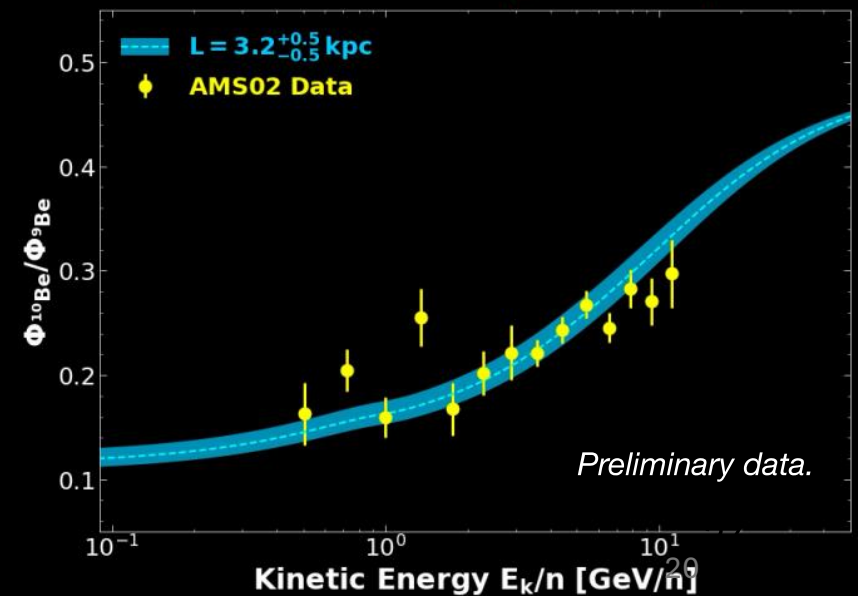
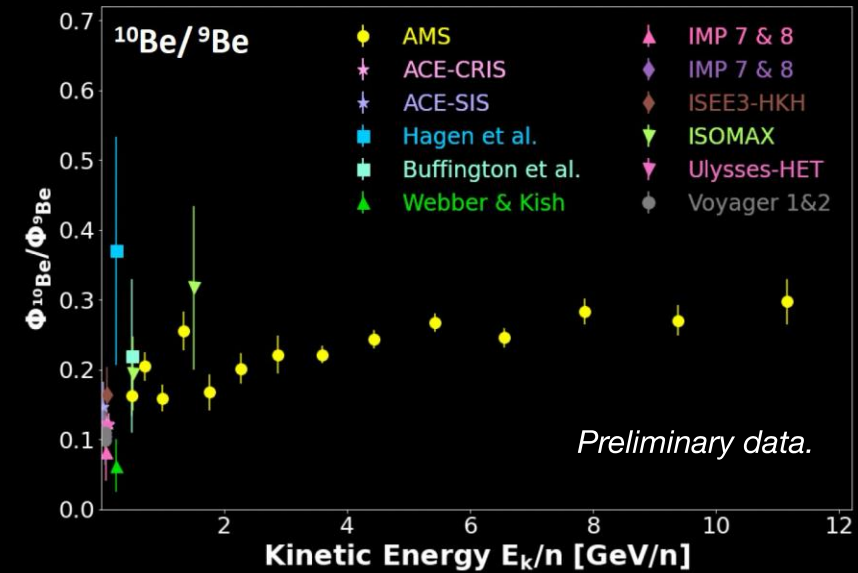
- AMS mass resolution depends on rigidity ($R = P/Z$) and velocity (β) resolutions:

$$\frac{\Delta M}{M} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\Delta R}{R}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{1 - \beta^2} \cdot \frac{\Delta \beta}{\beta}\right)^2}$$

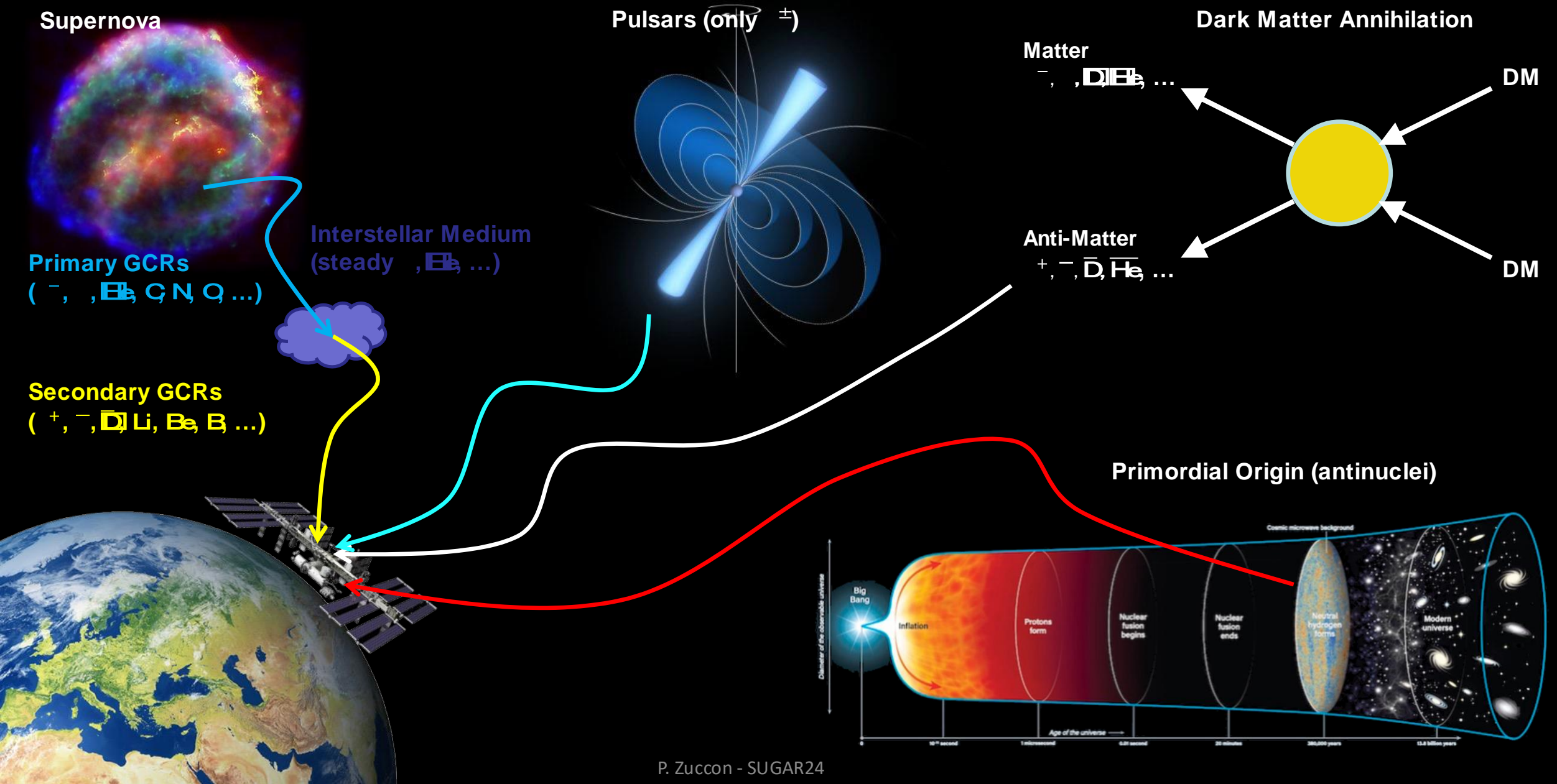
- R measurement :
 - Tracker, $\frac{\Delta R}{R} \sim 9\% (Z = 1), 10\% (Z = 4)$ below 20 GV
- β measurements:

	E_k/n range (GeV/n)	$\Delta\beta/\beta$ ($Z = 1$)	$\Delta\beta/\beta$ ($Z = 4$)
TOF	(0.4, 1.2)	$\sim 4\%$	$\sim 1.5\%$
RICH-NaF	(0.8, 4.0)	$\sim 0.35\%$	$\sim 0.15\%$
RICH-Aerogel	(3.0, 12)	$\sim 0.12\%$	$\sim 0.05\%$

- The precision on the Galactic halo size L from the AMS data is about ~ 0.5 kpc.
- Error on L is dominated by the **uncertainty on spallation cross-sections** ~ 1 kpc (D. Maurin *et al.*, A&A 667 (2022) A25).

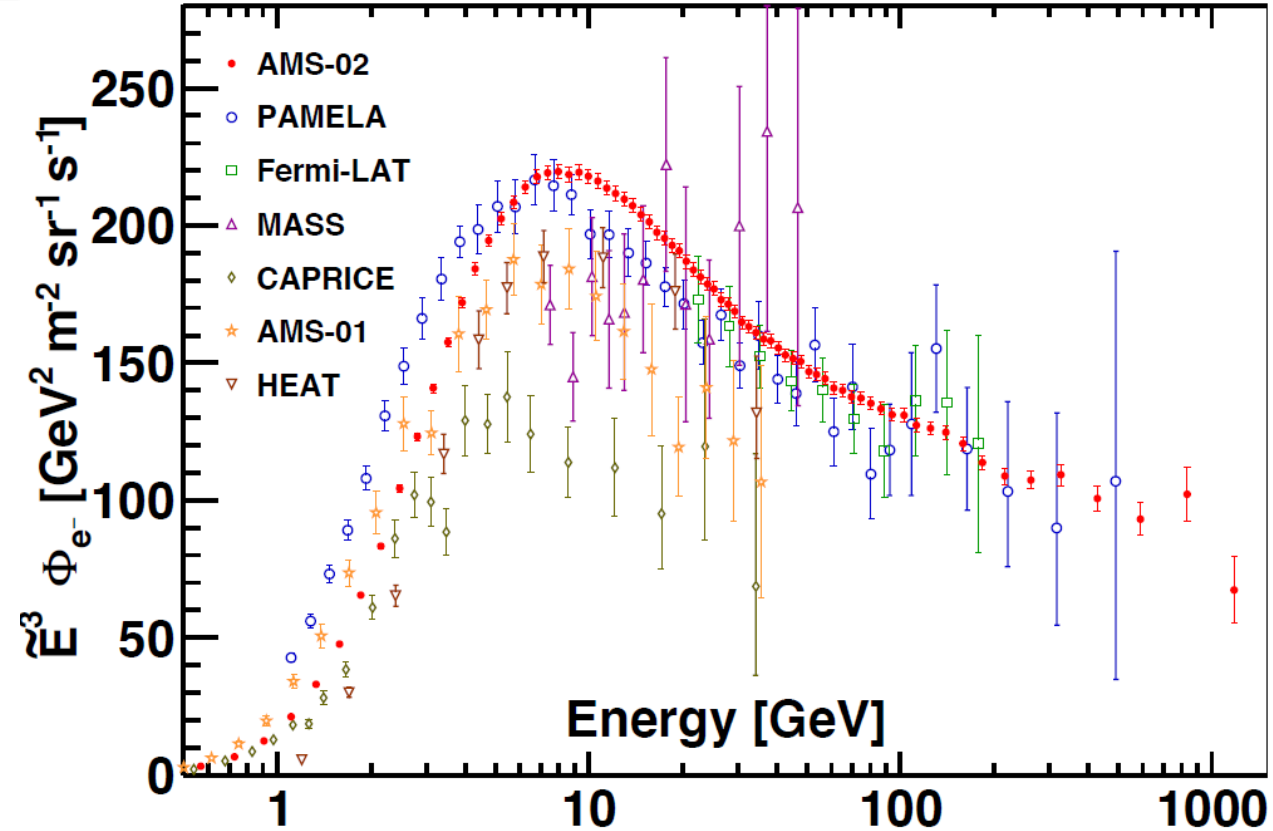
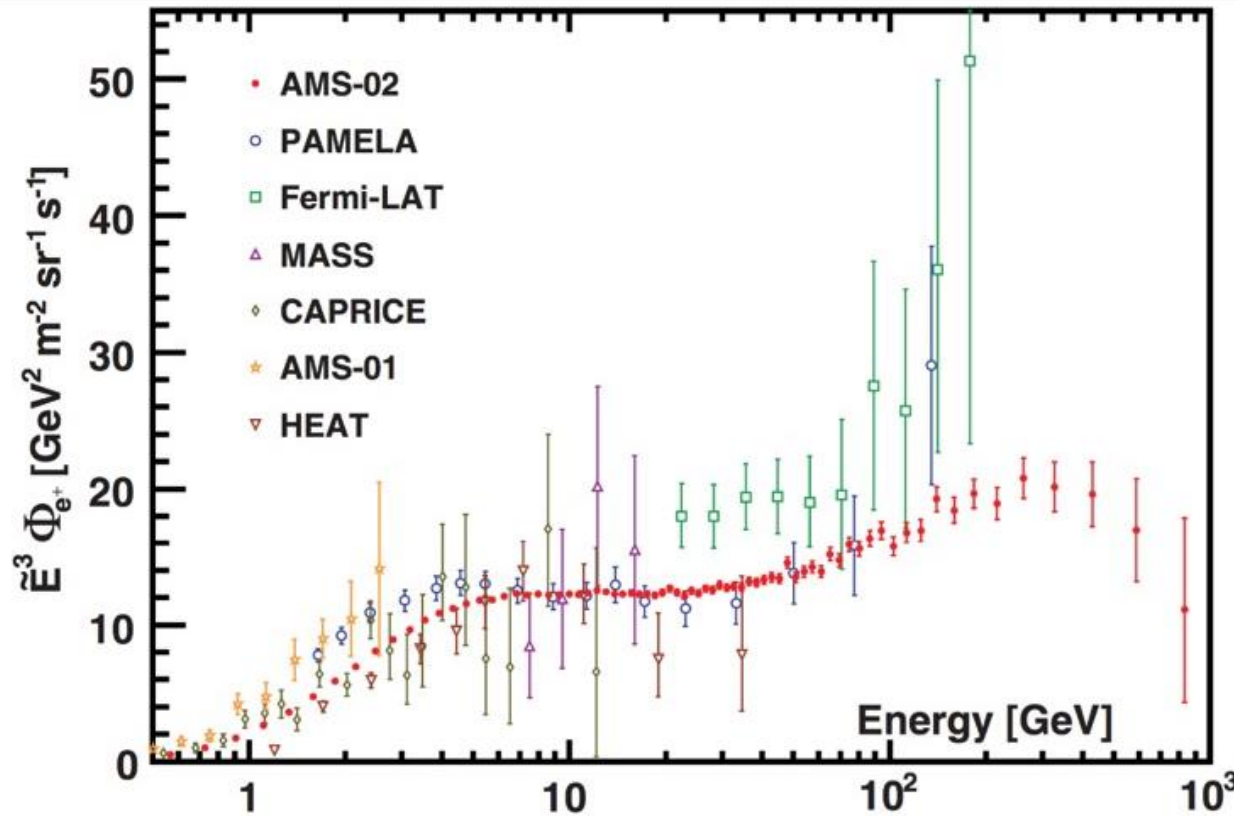


CR Antimatter as a Probe for New Physics



Positron and Electron Fluxes

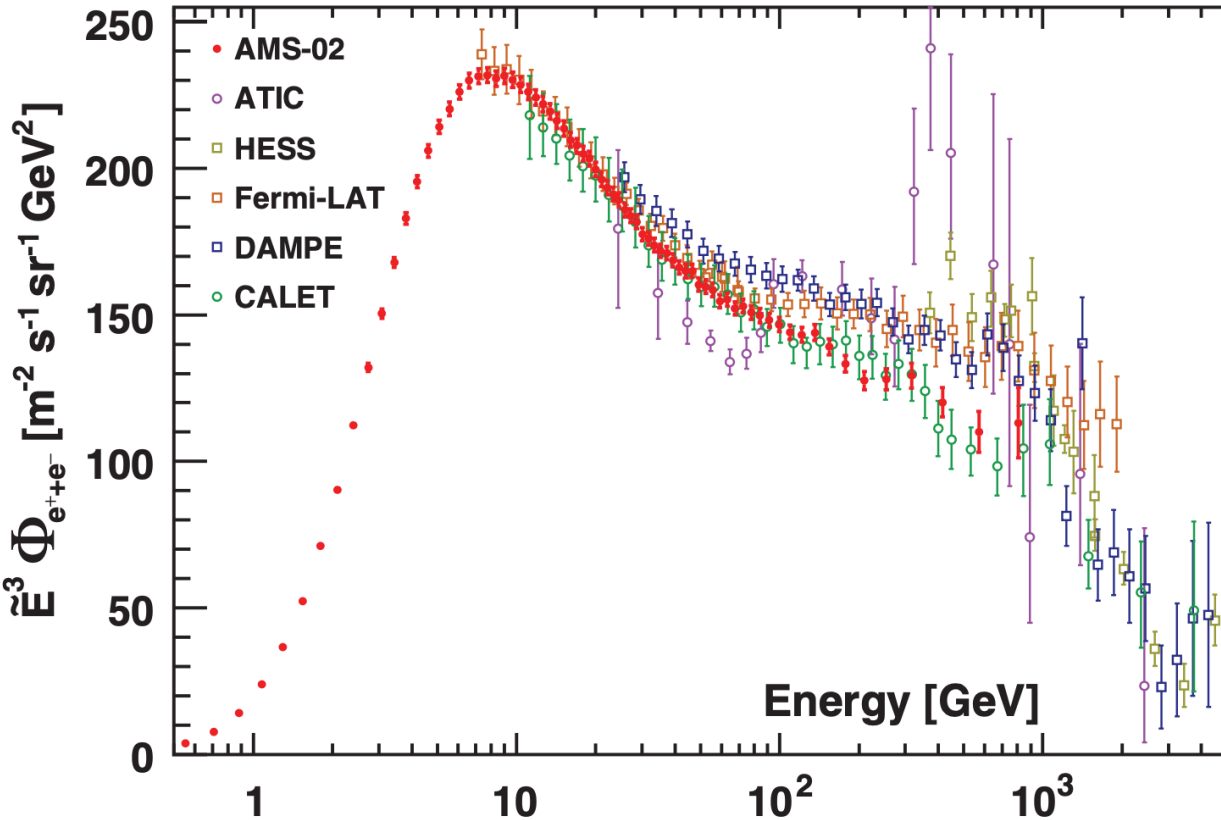
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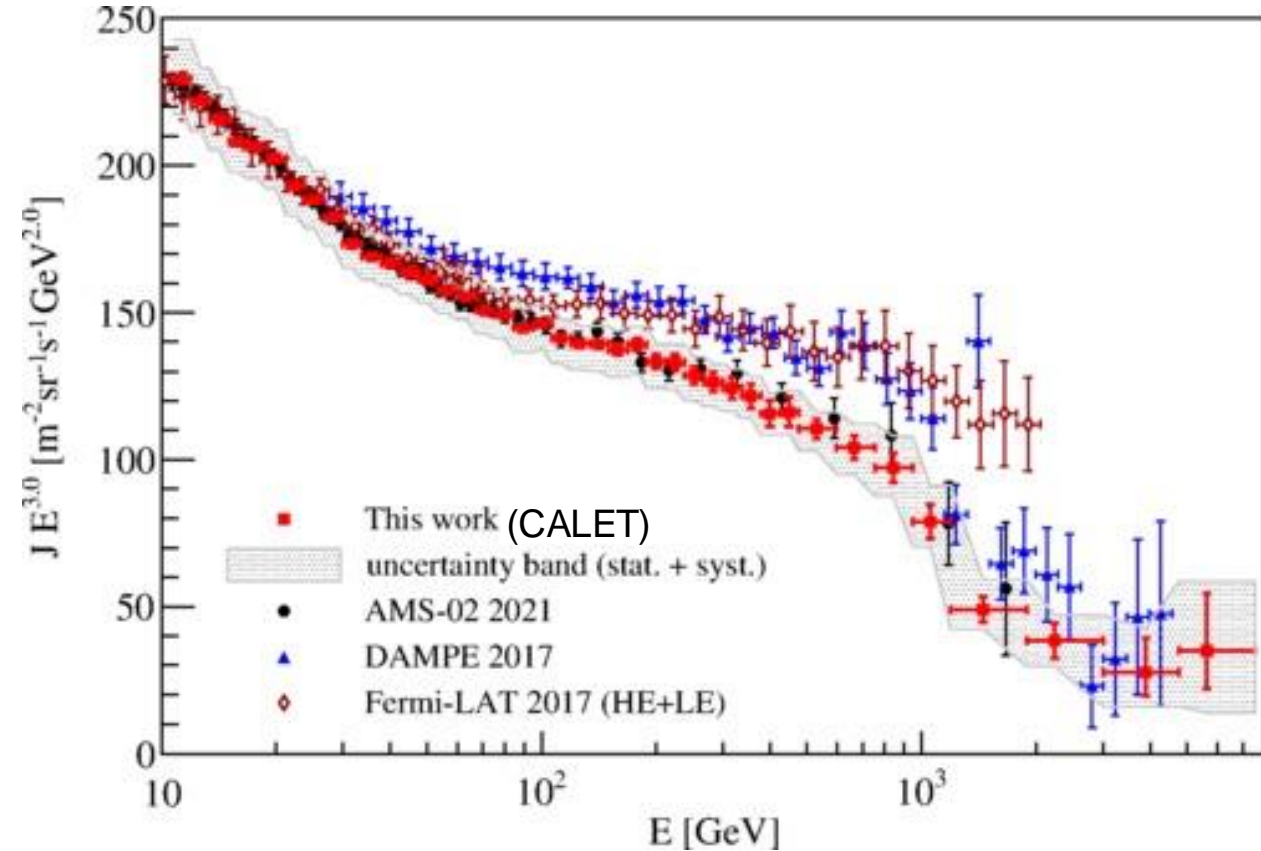
- Spectrometric technique.
- Traditionally the positron excess has been observed and commented on the positron fraction.
- Structures are clearly present on the positron flux.

Positron + Electron Flux

M. Aguilar *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **122** (2019) 101101.

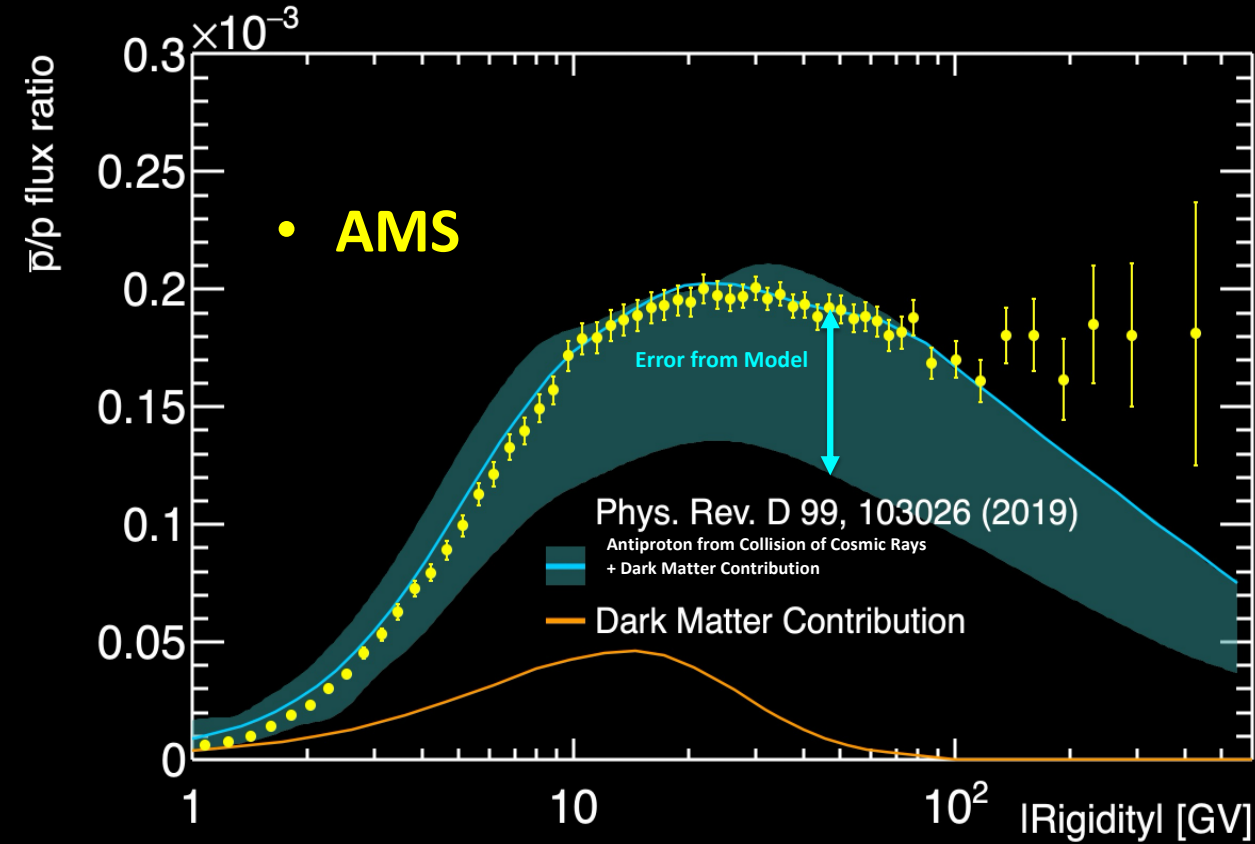
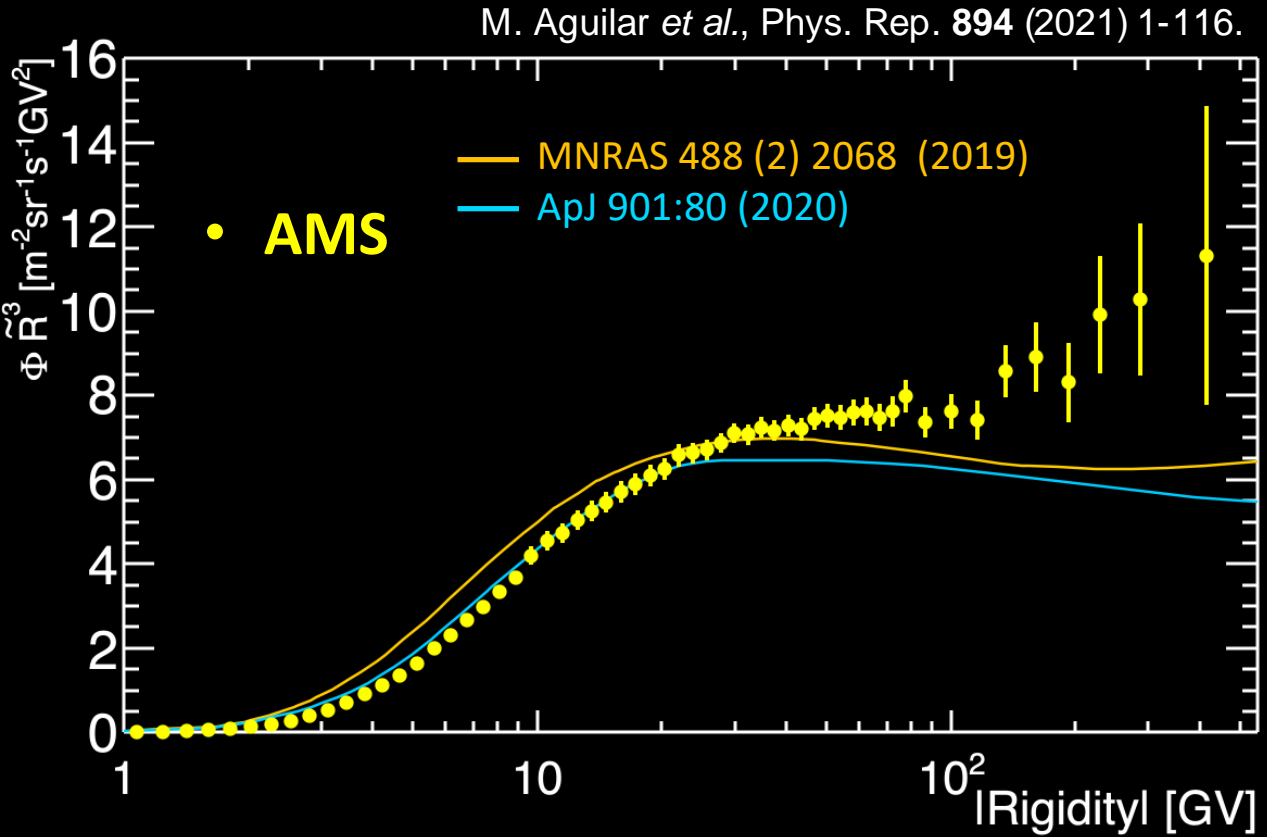


O. Adriani *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **131** (2023) 191001.



- Can be done also by calorimeters and by experiments on ground.
- Disagreements between “groups of experiment”.
- Dropoff at high energy, and a structure above 1 TeV (?).
- This channels allow to collect high statistics, and study anisotropy that is important to ascertain the origin of structures.

Antiproton Flux and the \bar{p}/p Flux Ratio



An excess at few tens of GeV has been widely discussed in literature.
The interpretation data requires precision knowledge of the **astrophysical background** (i.e., secondary production).

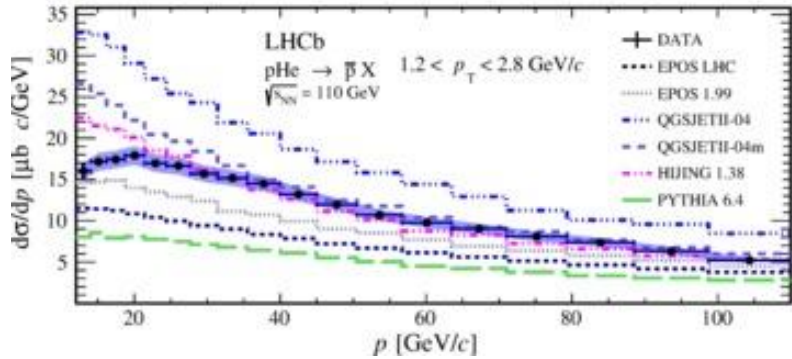
Uncertainty in Antiproton Astrophysical Background

Uncertainty in antiproton production:

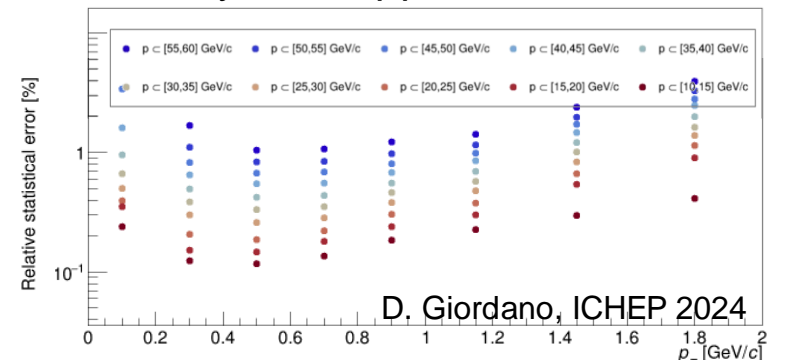
measurements of the \bar{p} production cross section for $p + p, He \rightarrow \bar{p}$ are needed.

LHCb/SMOG: $p + He \rightarrow \bar{p}$ at $\sqrt{s} = 110$ GeV measurement already done.

R. Aaij *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **121** (2018) 222001.



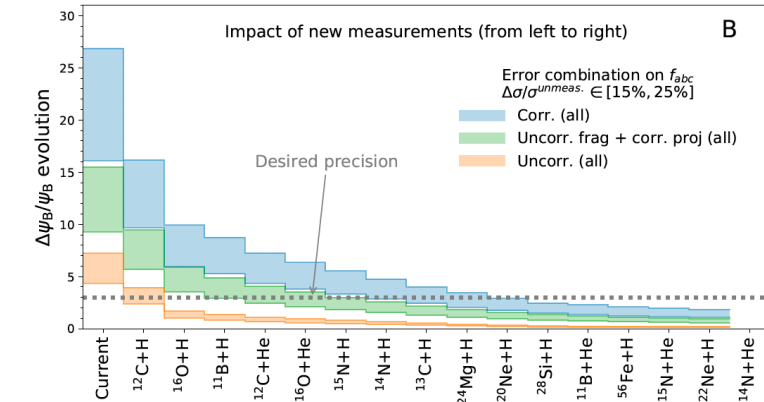
AMBER: Fixed target experiment at SPS (CERN). Data acquired for pp and pHe. Under analysis the pp at $\sqrt{s} = 18.9$ GeV.



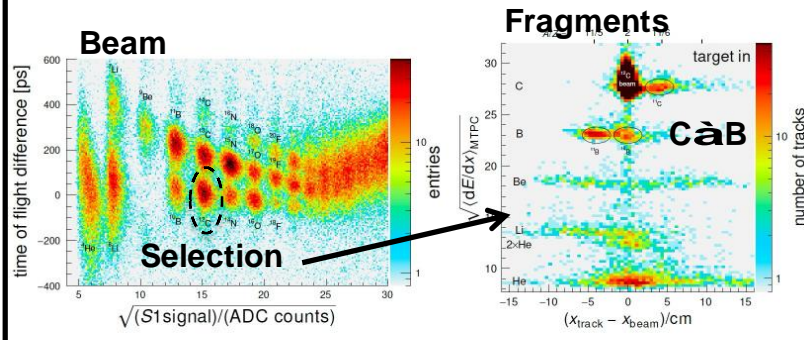
Uncertainty in galactic propagation:

parameters of the galactic propagation (diffusion coefficient, galactic halo size, ...) depend on the knowledge of spallation cross section (as $C + p \rightarrow B$):

Y. Genolini *et al.*, Phys. Rev. C **109** (2024) 064914.



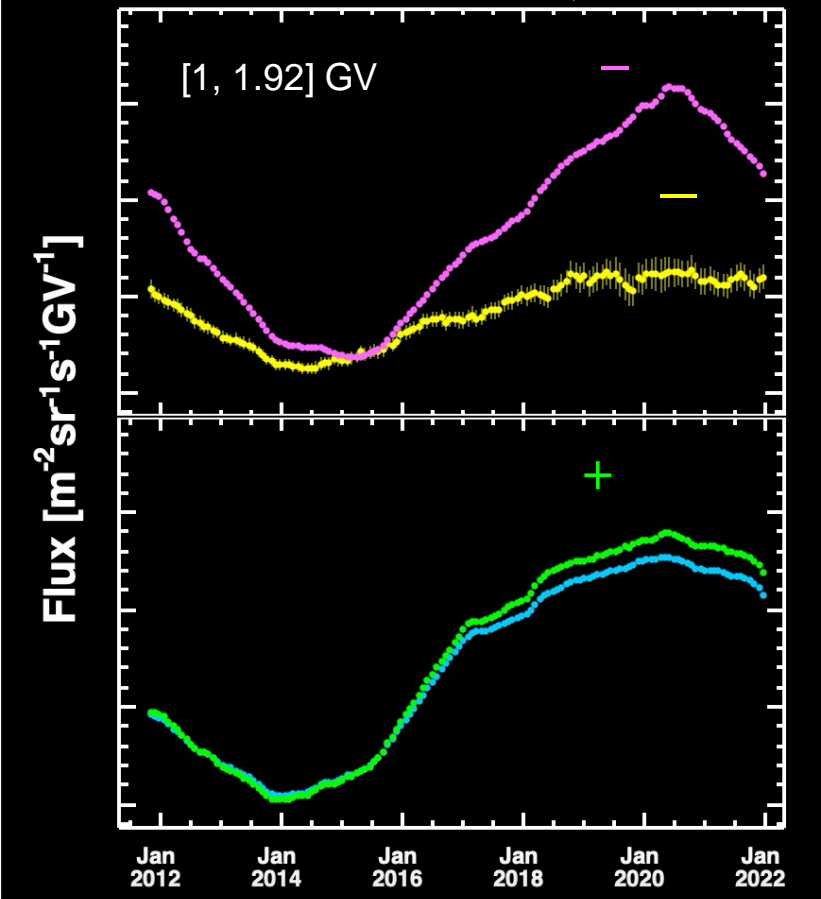
NA61/SHINE: Fixed target experiment at SPS (CERN). Pilot run in 2018.



Uncertainty in solar modulation:

direct measurement of \bar{p} as function of time allows the accurate modelling of solar modulation.

AMS-02: measurement of all CR species over a solar cycle. S. Lu, ICHEP 2024.



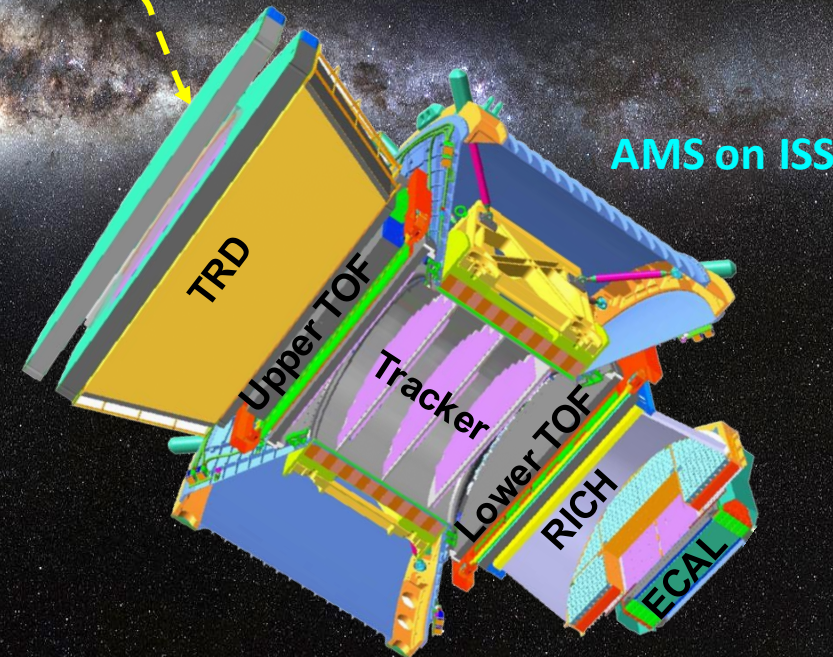
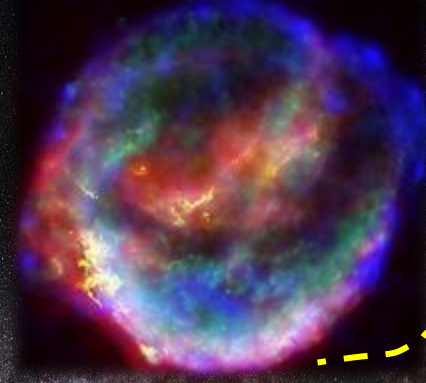
Heavy Antimatter in the Cosmos

Matter is defined by its mass M and charge Z .

Antimatter has the same mass M but opposite charge $-Z$.

\bar{D} , \bar{He} , \bar{C} , \bar{O} ...

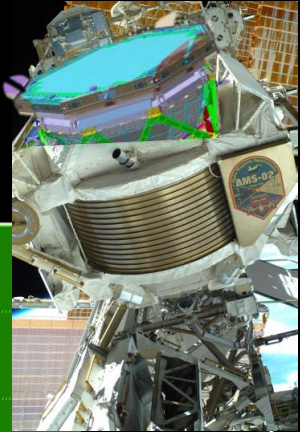
Antimatter Star



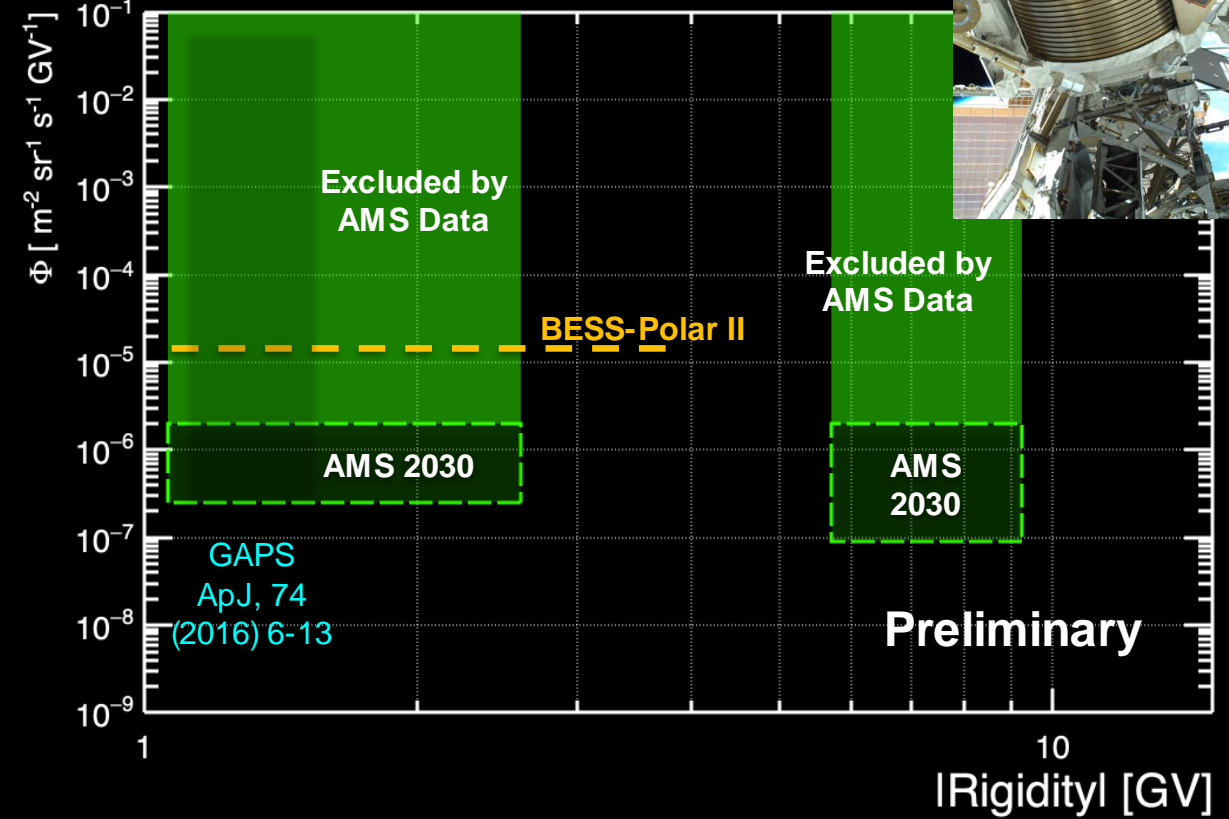
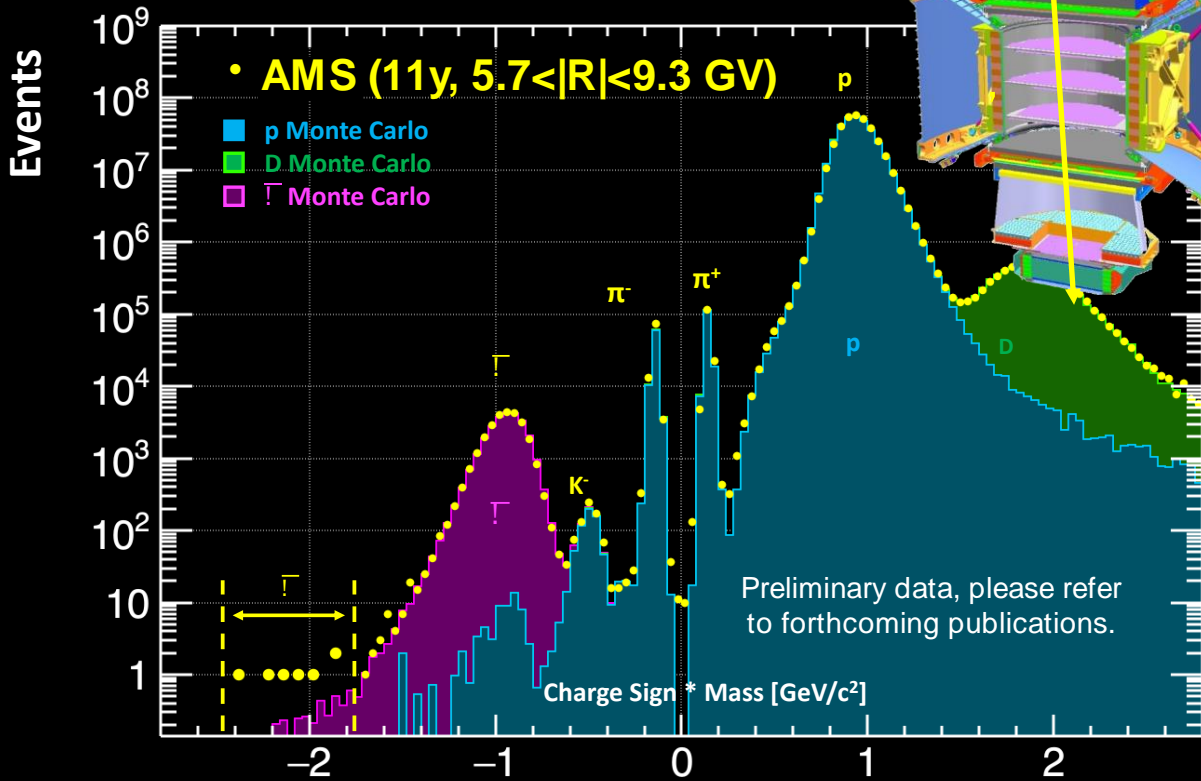
AMS is a unique antimatter spectrometer in space

Current Status of AMS Antideuteron Search

AMS-Upgrade

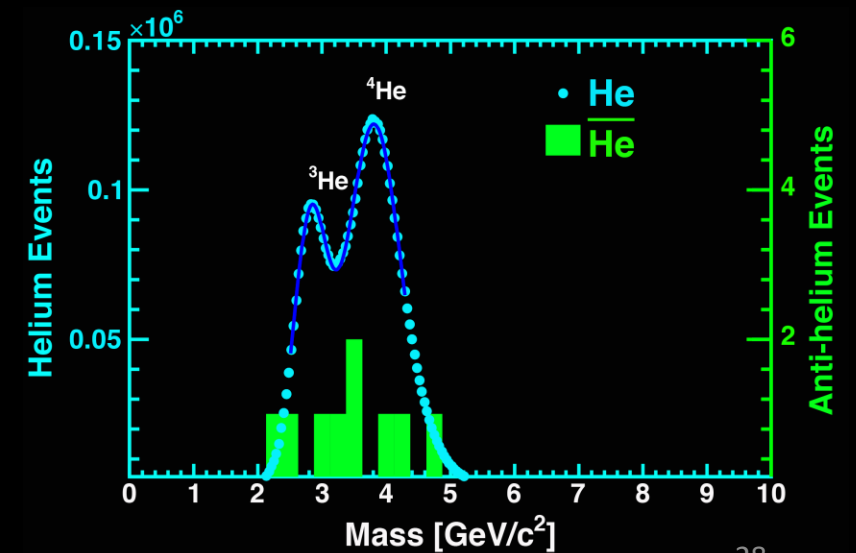
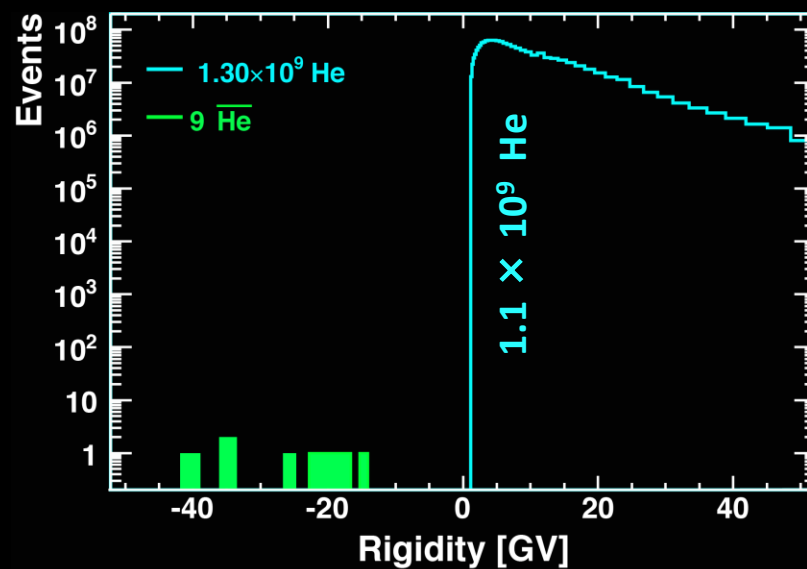
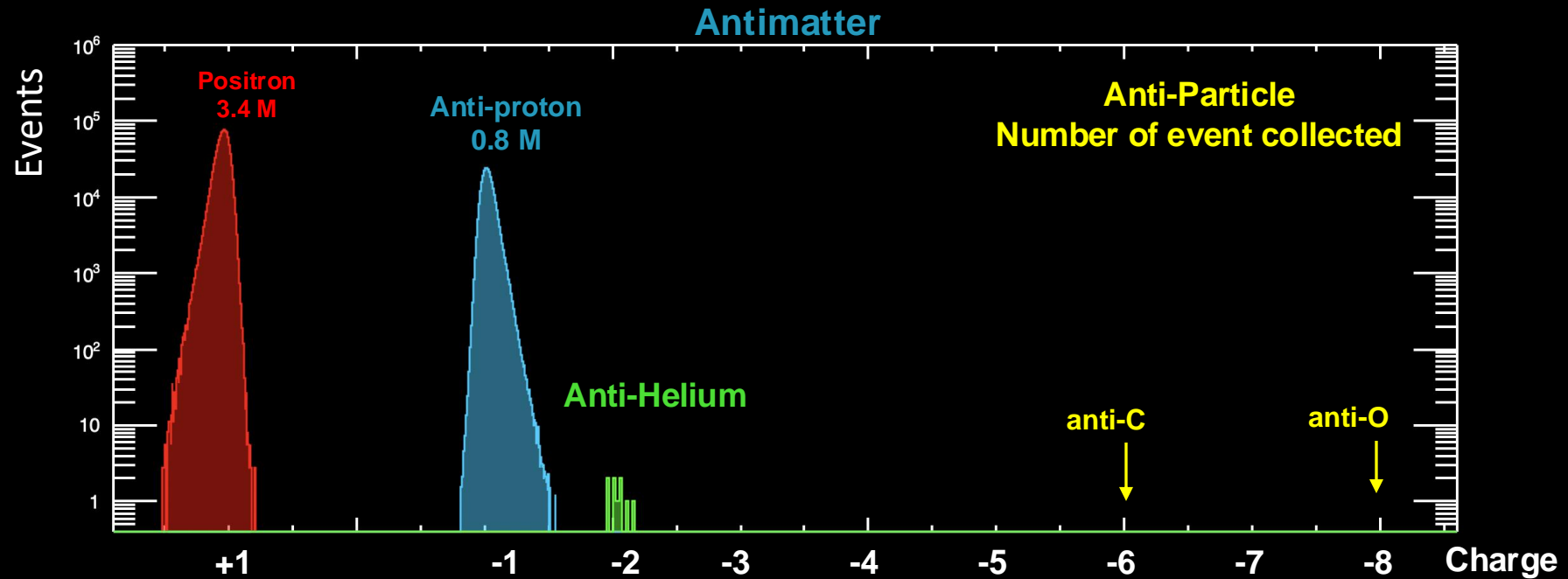


A. Kounine, PAW'24 Workshop.



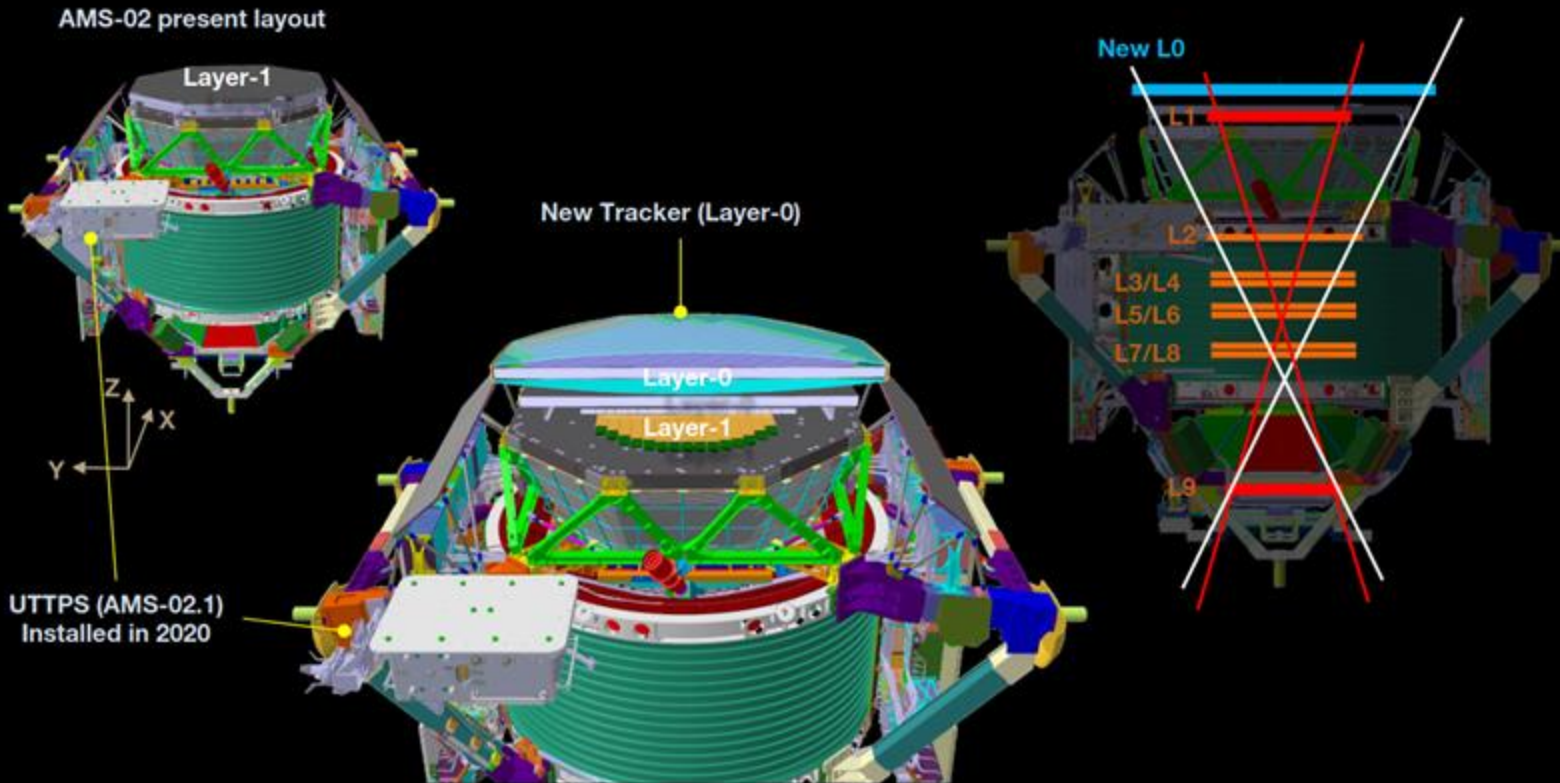
- Future AMS upgrade will provide additional measurement point to antideuterons.

AMS-02 anti-He candidates



AMS-02 Upgrade: L0 Layer to Increase Acceptance (2026)

The increase of 300% in the acceptance will allow for the best use of the time left on the ISS, allowing higher rate in data collection for many analysis channels (positrons, nuclei, ...).



Advantages

- Extend positron spectrum measurement to 1.4 TeV
- Extend Electron spectrum measurement to 1.4 TeV
- Improve the accuracy of the anti-proton measurement
- Measure positron isotropy, to a 3.4 sigma significance with respect pulsars hypothesis
- High accuracy on Fe and sub-Fe
- Daily fluxes of heavier nuclei as C and O
- Search for rare events as anti-deuteron

AMS-02 upgrade

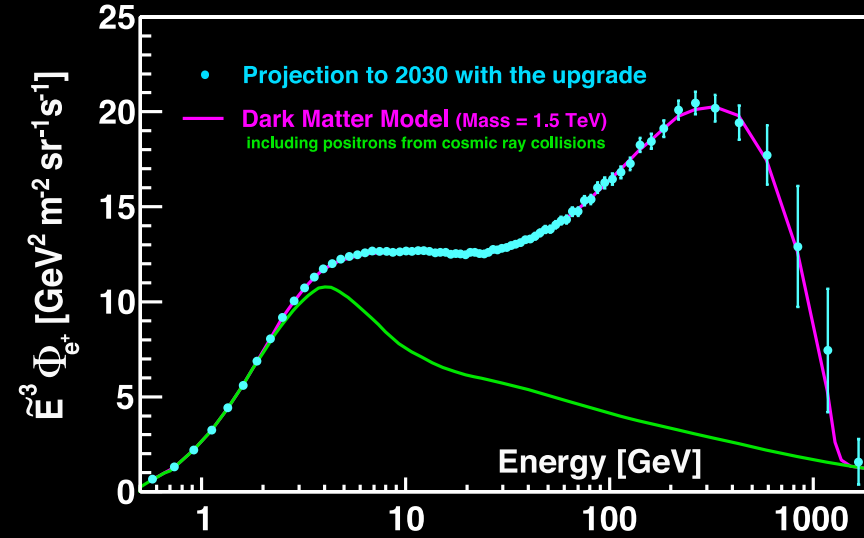
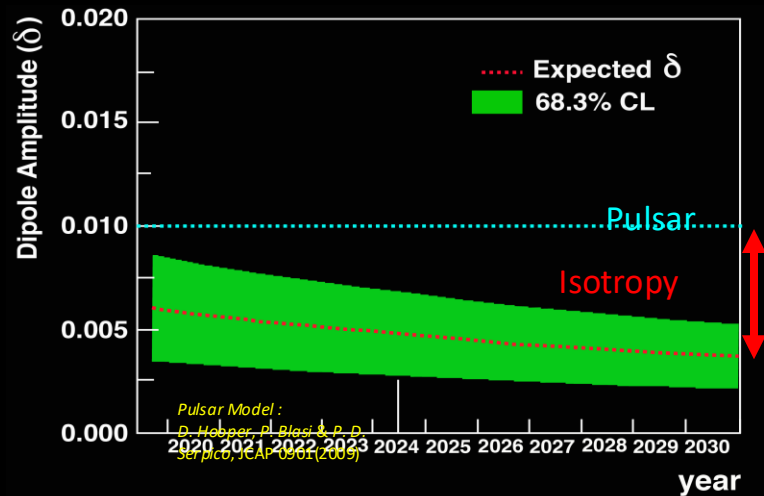
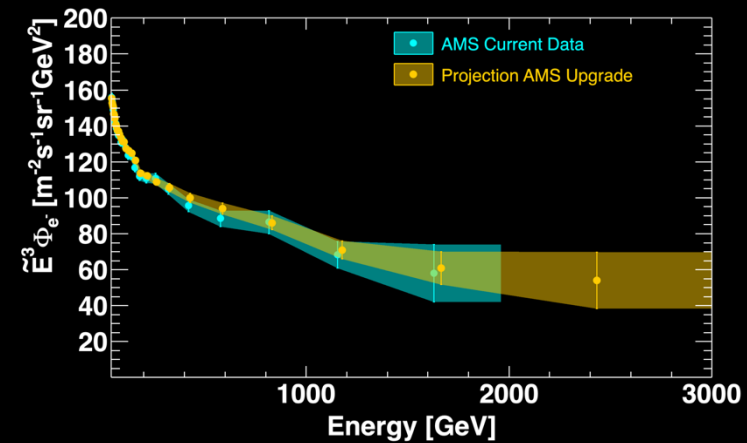


Fig 1(b): Positron studies at highest energies. Please note that the highest energy point are from collisions only.



Positron anisotropy projection up to 2030 with upgrade



Electron Spectrum at High Energy

FUTURE SPECTROMETERS

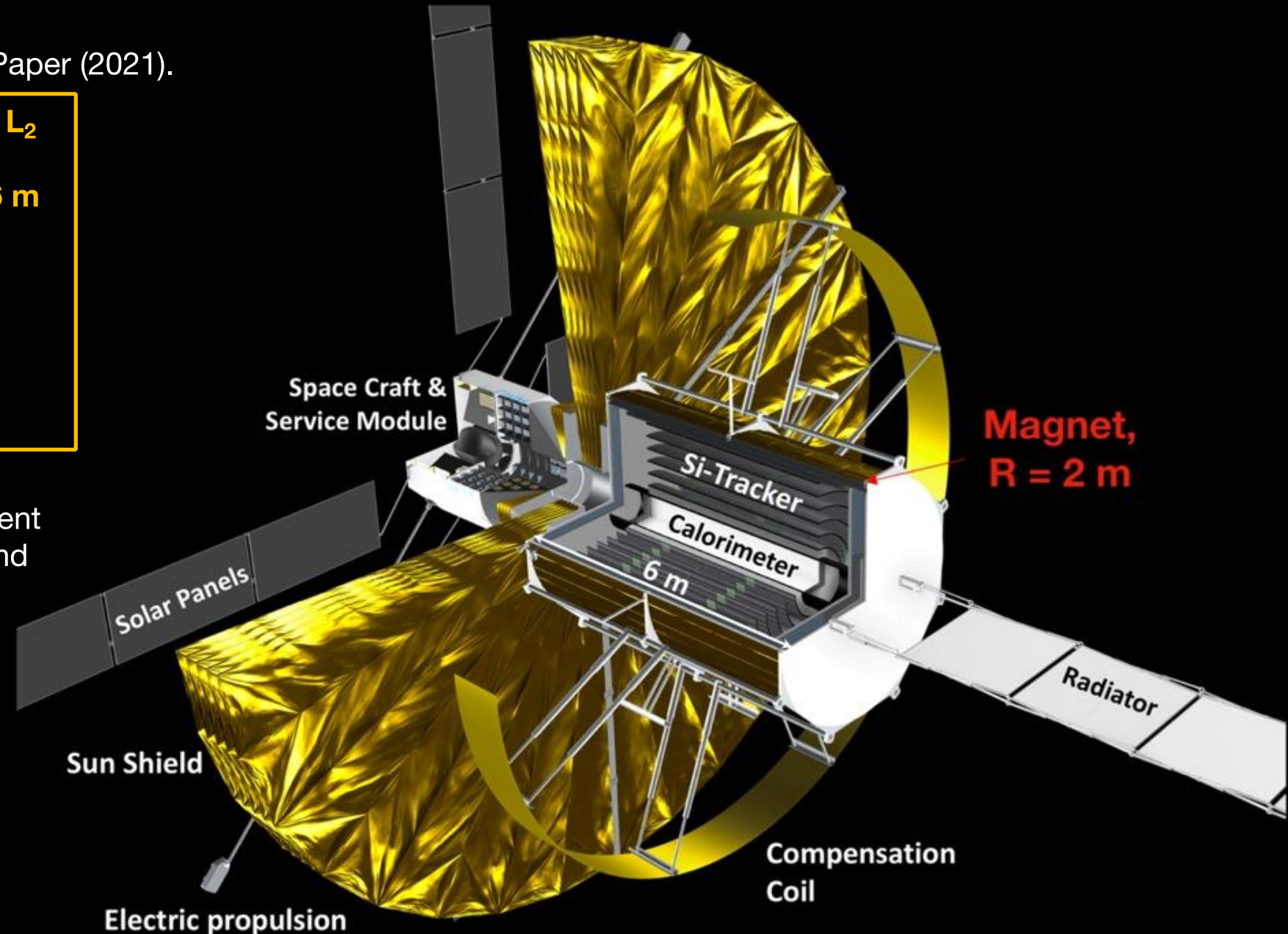
AMS-100: A Next-Generation Magnetic Spectrometer

S. Shael *et al.*, Voyager 2050 White Paper (2021).

Location	Lagrange Point L ₂
Installation	>2030
Dimensions	∅ = 4.4 m, L = 6 m
Weight	40 t
Power	10 kW
Magnetic Field	1 T
Acceptance	100 m ² sr
MDR	100 TV
Cal. thickness	70 X ₀

A vastly larger detector than the current generation (factor of 100 in energy and Acceptance with respect AMS-02):

- Antimatter.
- e[±] up to 10 TeV.
- CRs composition above knee.



ALADiNO: Antimatter Large Acceptance Detector in Orbit

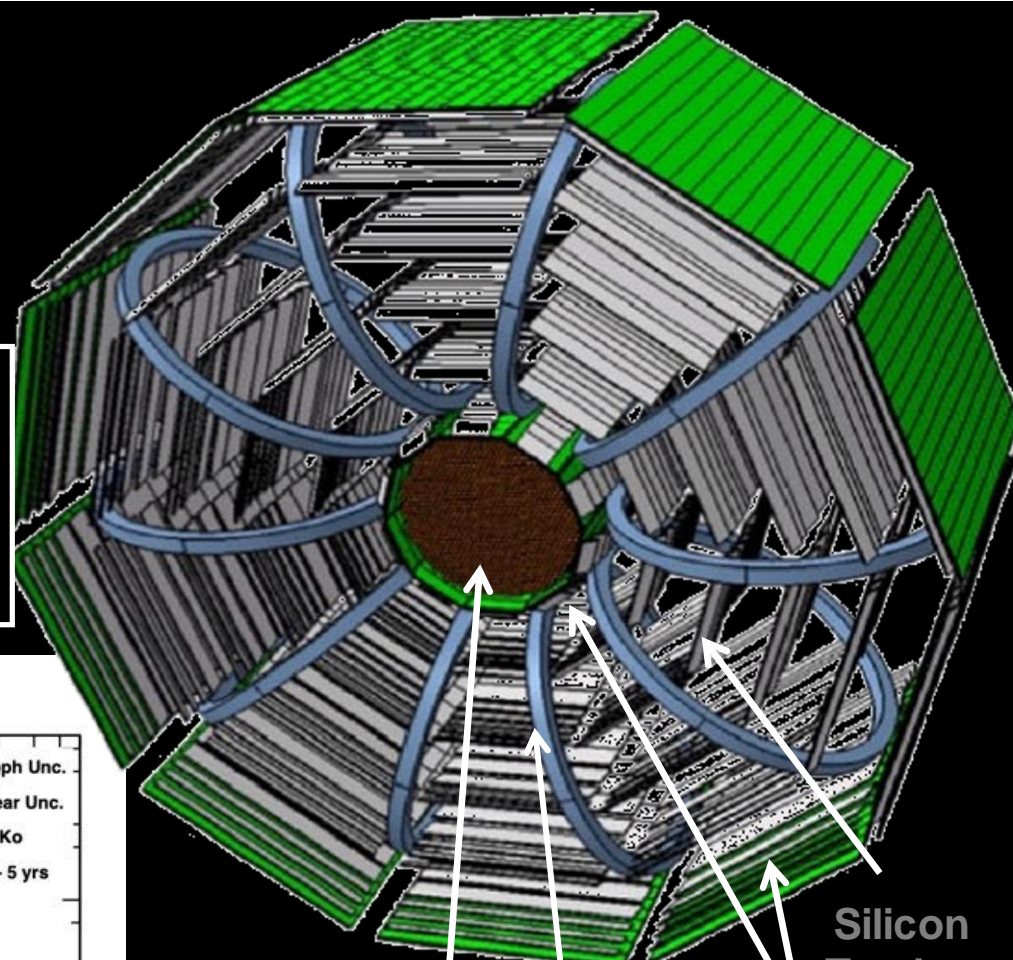
Location	Lagrange Point L ₂
Installation	>2030
Dimensions	∅ = 4.4 m, L = 2 m
Det. weight	6.5 t
Power	3 kW
Magnetic Field	0.8 T
Acceptance	>10 m ² sr
MDR	>20 TV
Cal. thickness	61 X ₀

<https://doi.org/10.3390/instruments6020019>

Physics objectives:

- Anti-nuclei;
- e[±] up to 10 TeV;
- Cosmic ray comp. up to knee.

5-year operations in L2



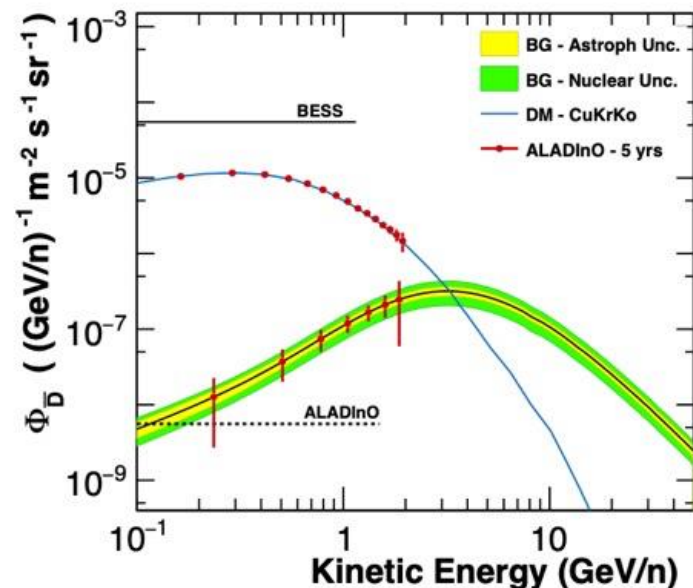
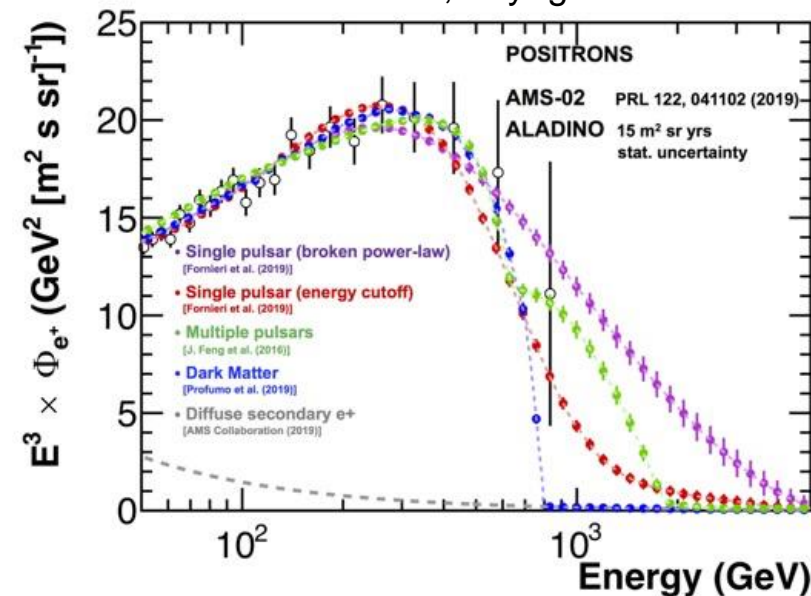
Calorimeter

High Temperature Superconducting Magnet

Time-of-Flight (inner/outer)

Silicon Tracker

R. Battiston et al., Voyager 2050 White Paper (2021).

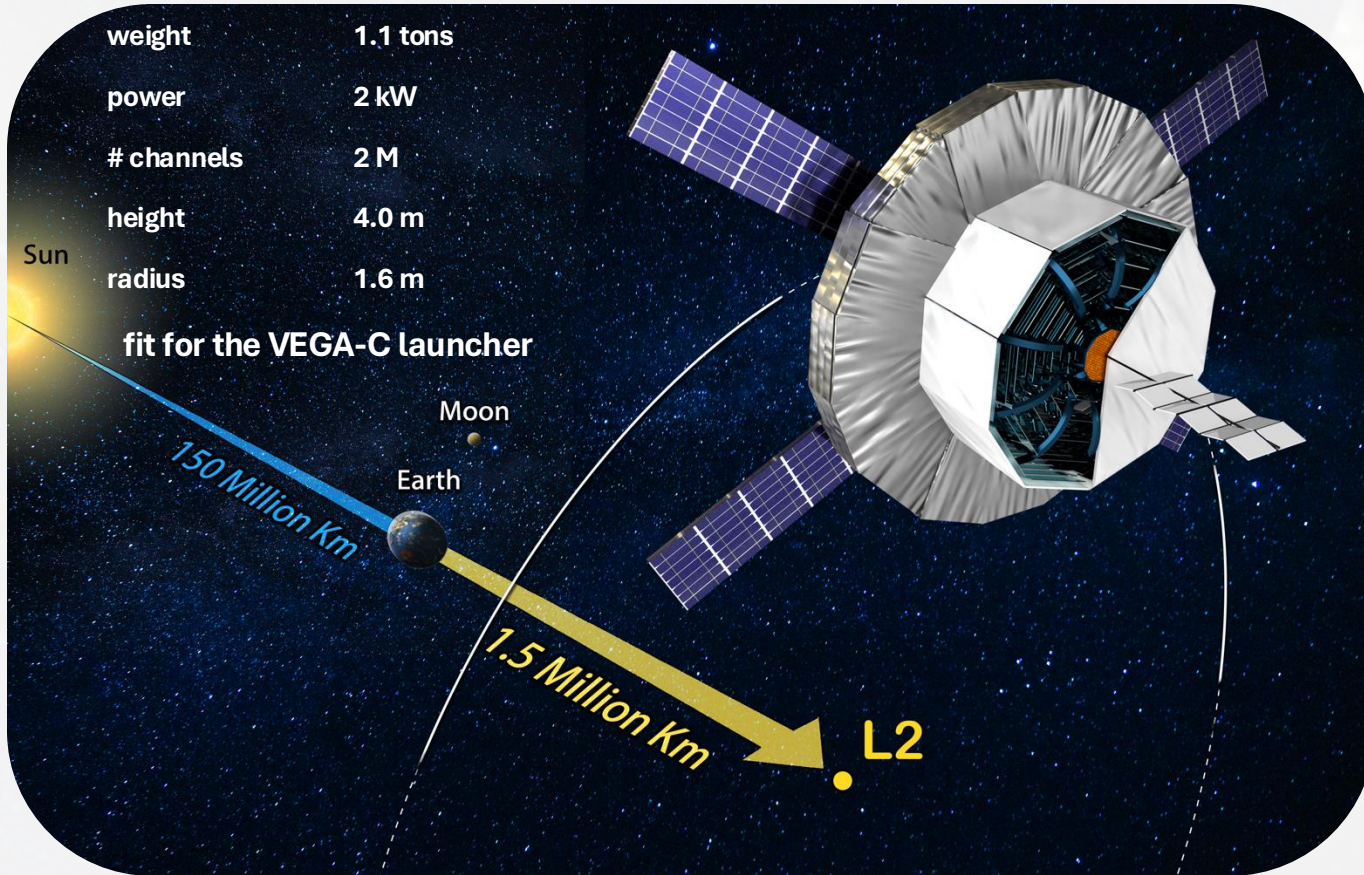


ALADInO Pathfinder: LAMP



Progressing in particle astrophysics with the Antimatter Large Acceptance Detector In Orbit

ALADInO

High Temperature Superconducting Magnetic Spectrometer in space
 Acceptance > 10 m²sr
 Antimatter measurements up to 10 TeV
 Established technologies for detection of particles in space

5-year operations in L2
 Payload Weight < 6.5 t
 Payload power consumption 3 kW
 Compact volume (fits Ariane launcher)

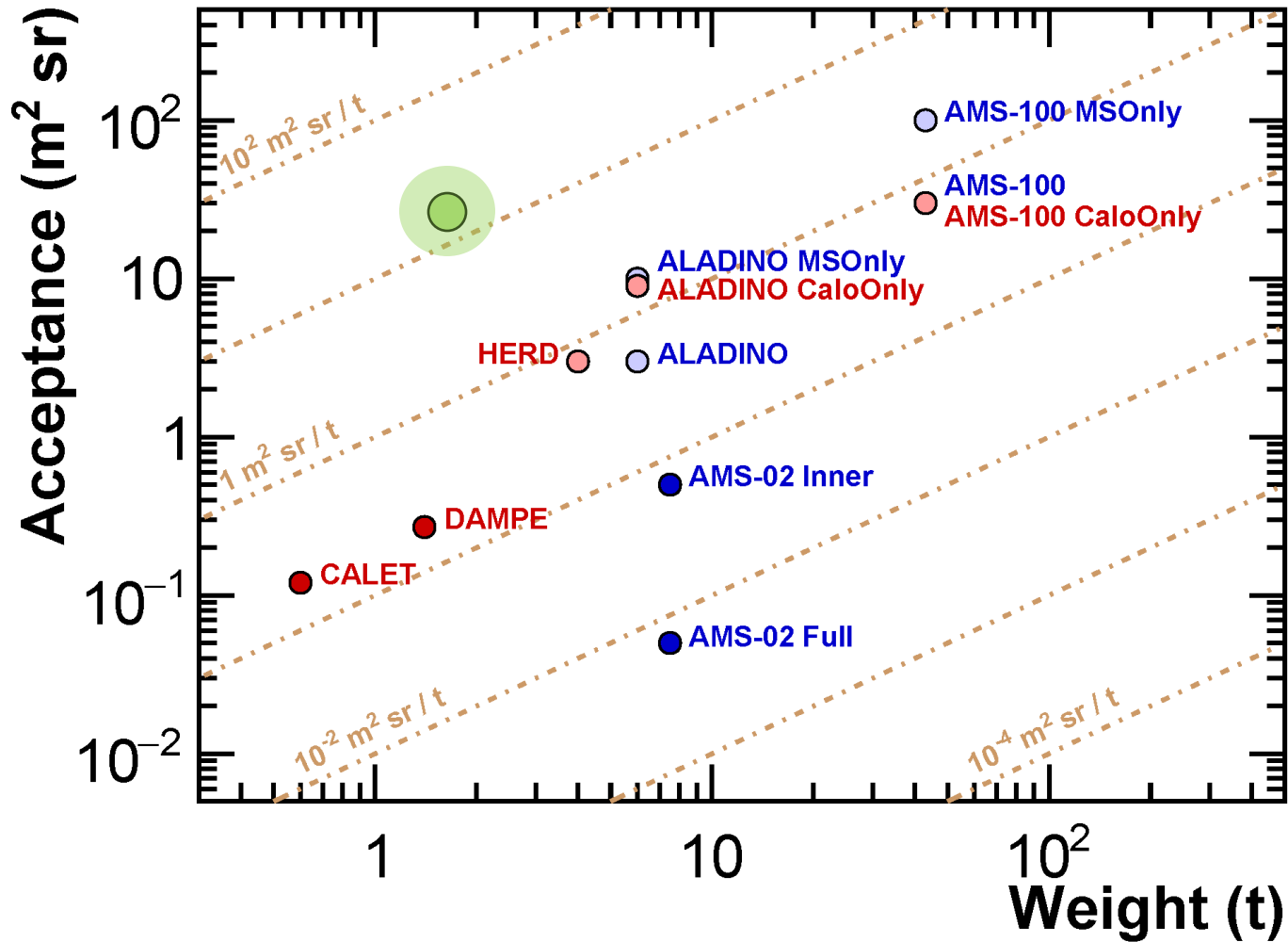
Roadmap for mission opportunity
 mid 2030s: ALADInO Pathfinder
 mid 2040s: Operations in L2
 by 2050: Unprecedented results

LAMP: Light Aladino-like Magnetic sPectrometer

ALADInO Pathfinder: LAMP



Large acceptance missions in Space



LAMP maintains the geometry of ALADInO, but **focuses on nuclear antimatter**. It features increased acceptance for the magnetic spectrometer and auxiliary detectors (TOF, Cherenkov), saving mass with a **calorimeter-free** approach.

- 2024 Technology assessment
- 2028 Balloon flight (validation of the HTS technology)
- 2030 LAMP construction
- 2034 LAMP launch



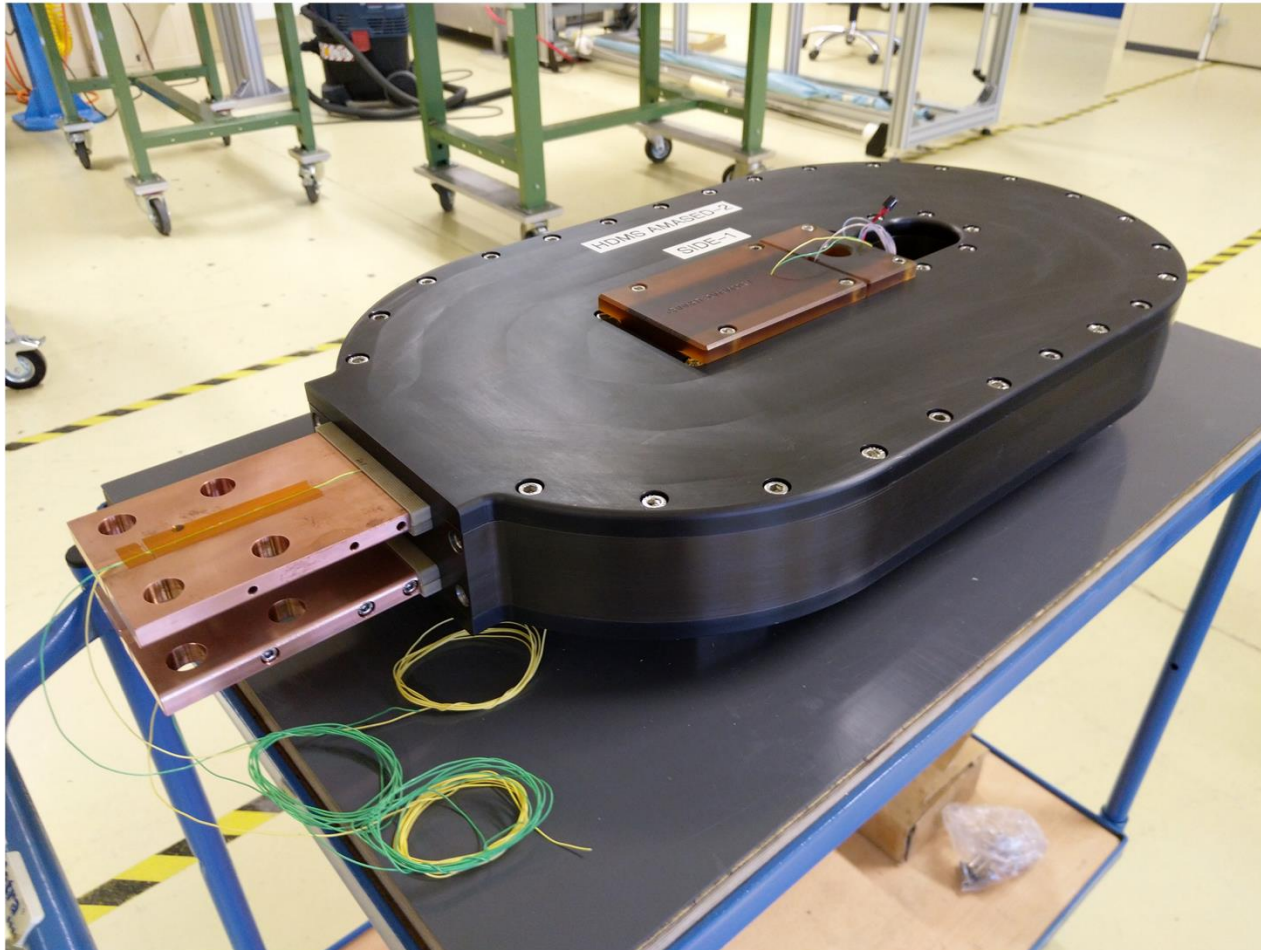
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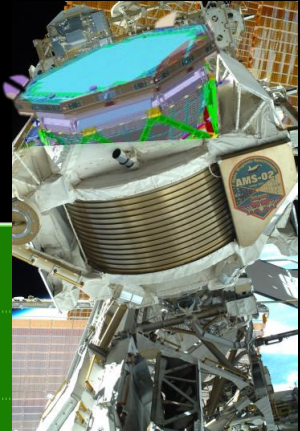
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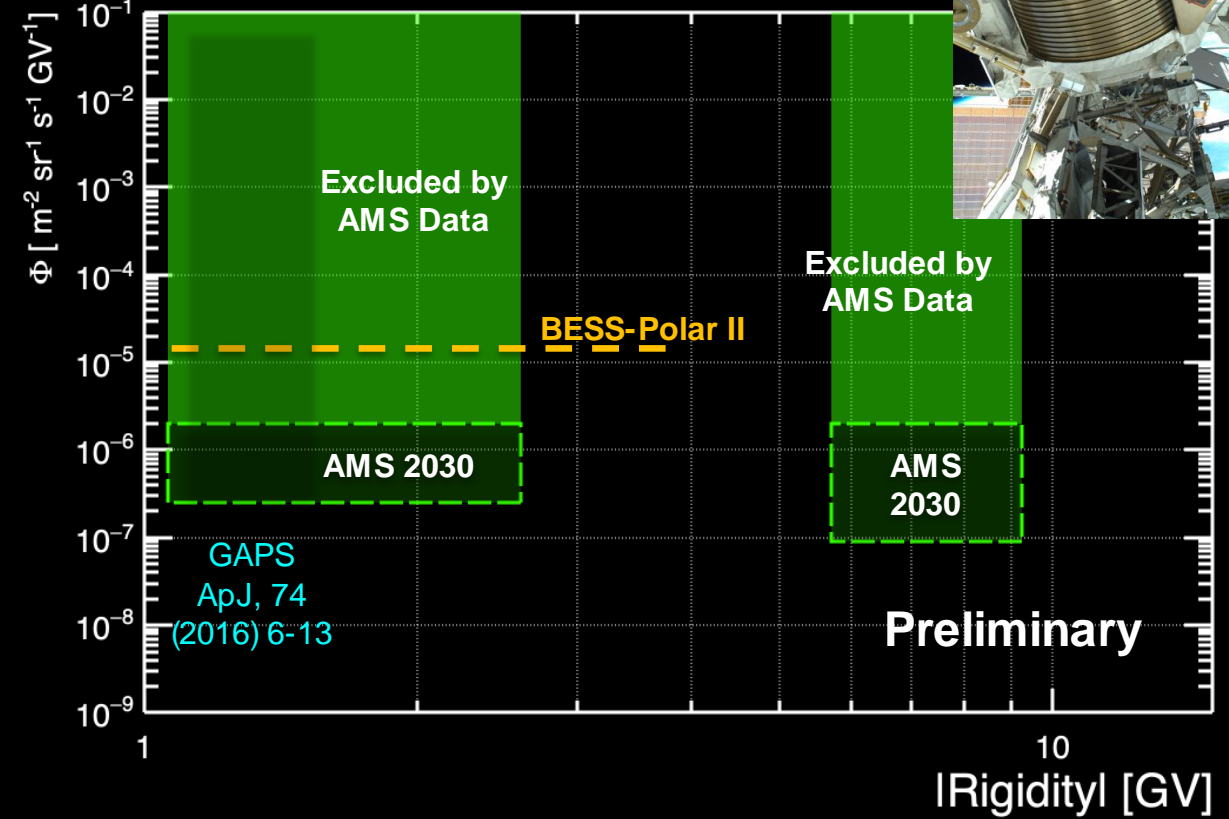
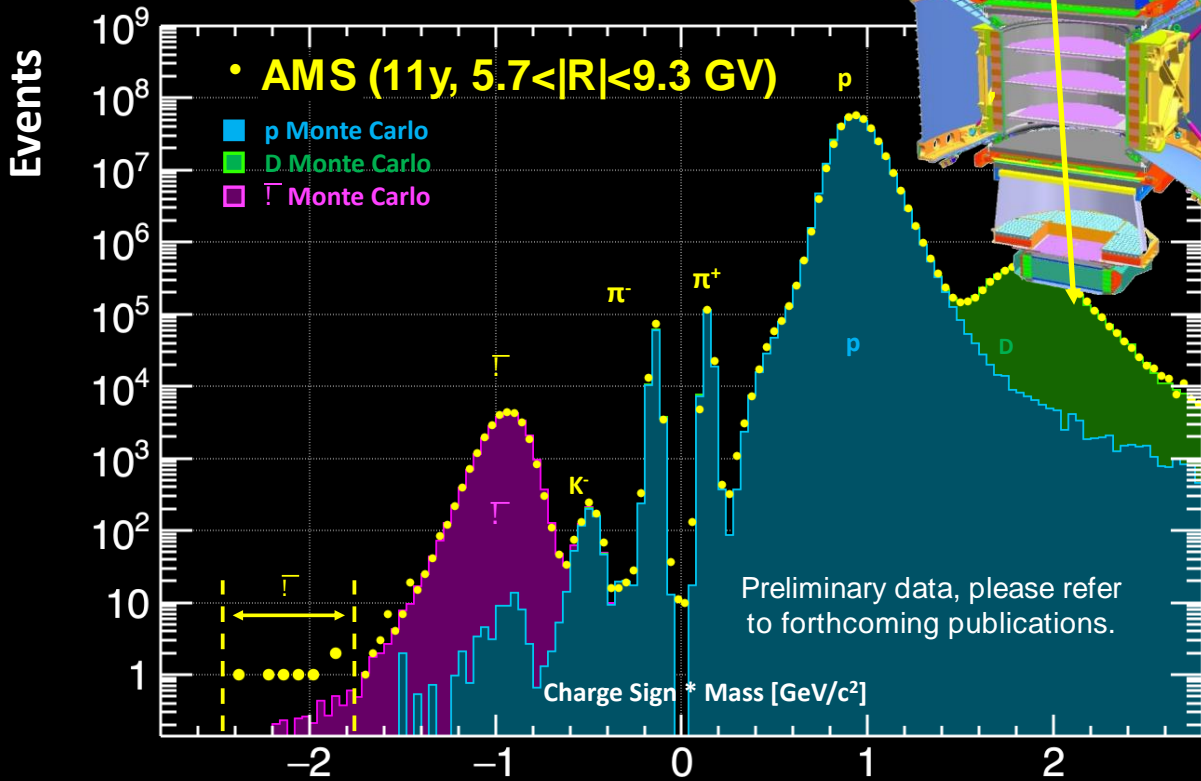
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Current Status of AMS Antideuteron Search

AMS-Upgrade



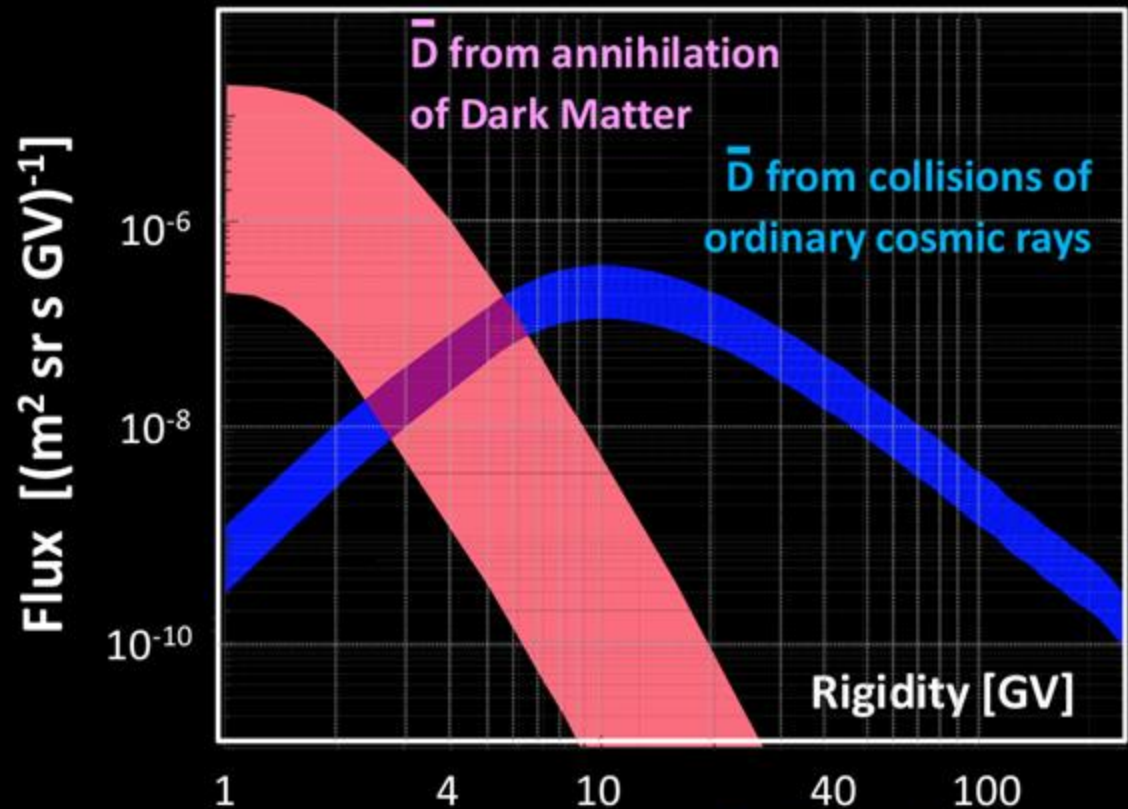
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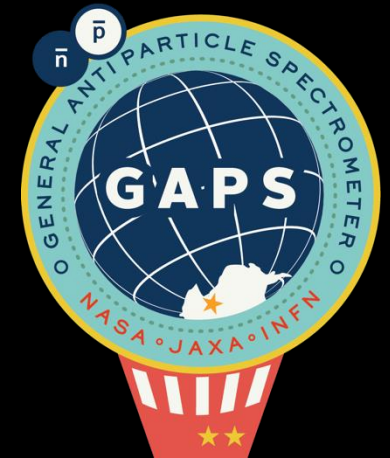
- Future AMS upgrade will provide additional measurement point to antideuterons.

Anti Deuterons in Cosmic rays

Anti Deuterons have been proposed as an almost background free channel for Dark Matter indirect detection



Established mission



Idea for the Future

ADHD

Anti Deuteron
Helium Detector

The Anti Deuterons Flux is $< 10^{-4}$ of the Antiproton Flux.

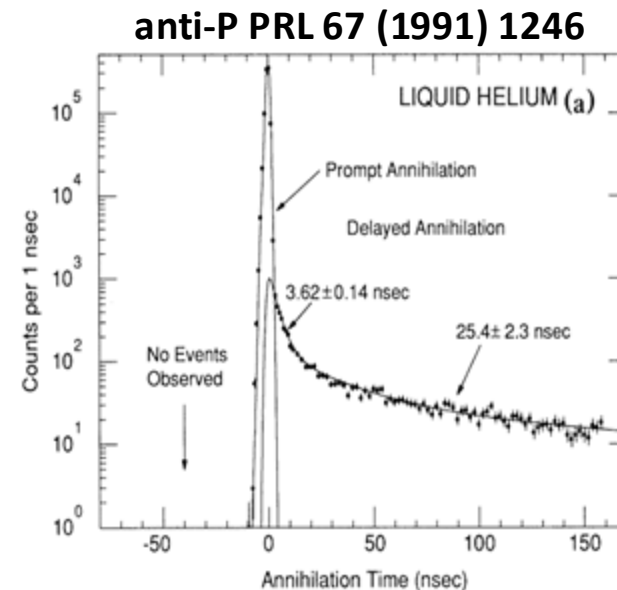
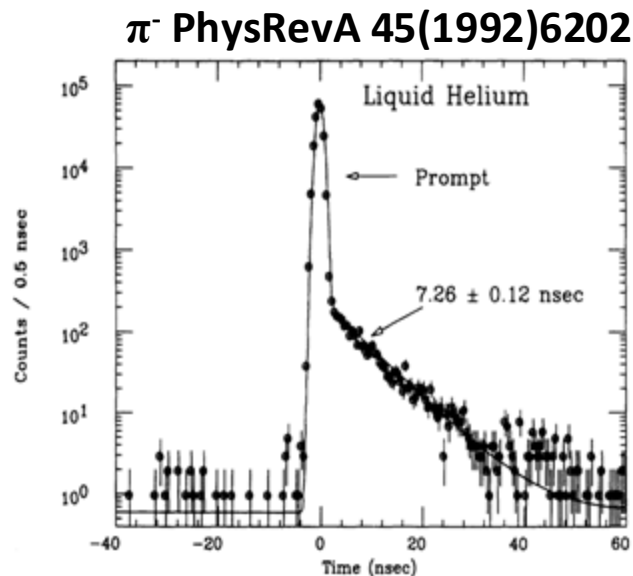
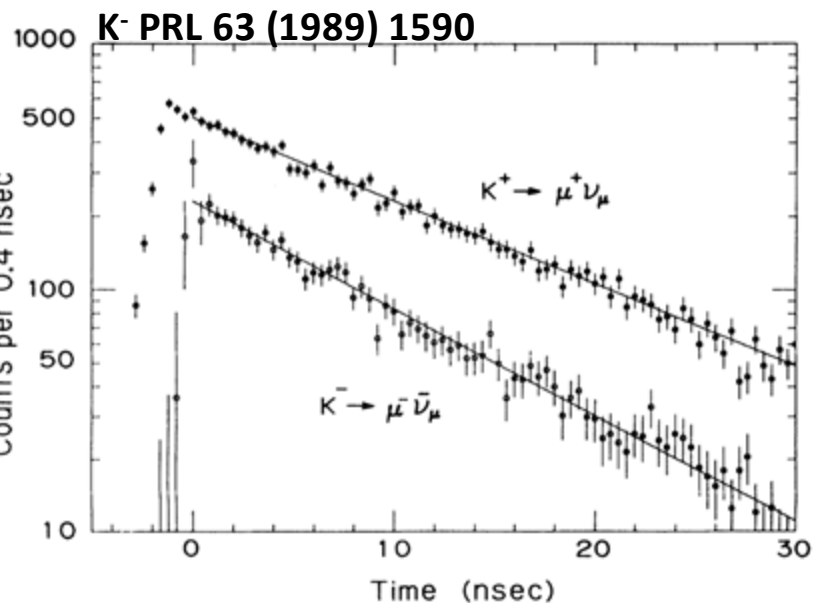
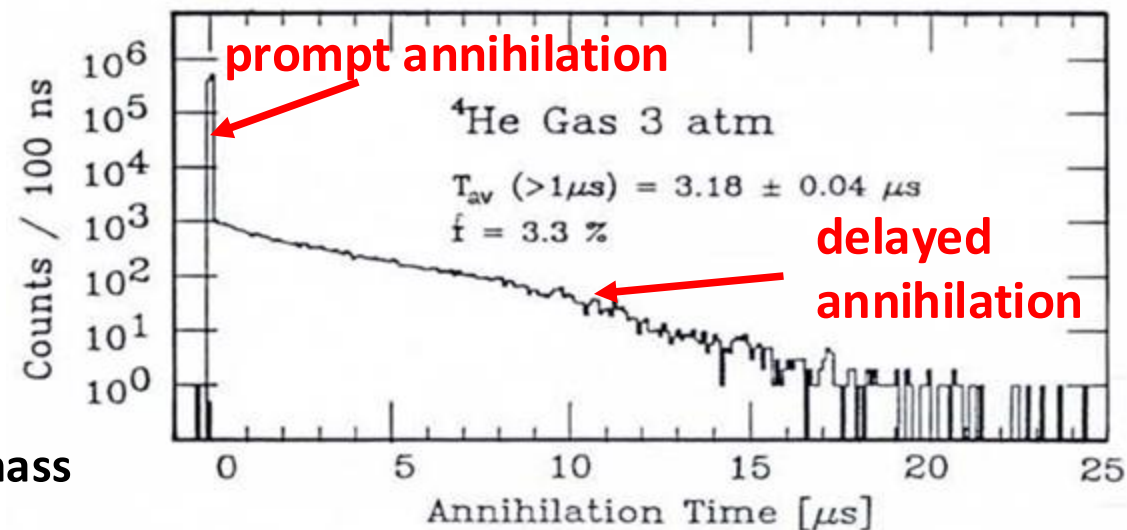
Additional background rejection

Helium metastable states

- In matter lifetime of stopped anti-p is \sim ps
- In liquid/gas He delayed annihilation: few μ s (\sim 3.3% of the anti-p)(discovered @ KEK in 1991)

Observed also for K^- , π^- and expected for anti-D

ASACUSA @ CERN use He metastable states to measure anti-P mass



a signature for $Z=-1$ antimatter captures in He is a \sim μ s delayed energy release

Anti-Deuteron Helium Detetector (ADHD)

Particle Identification

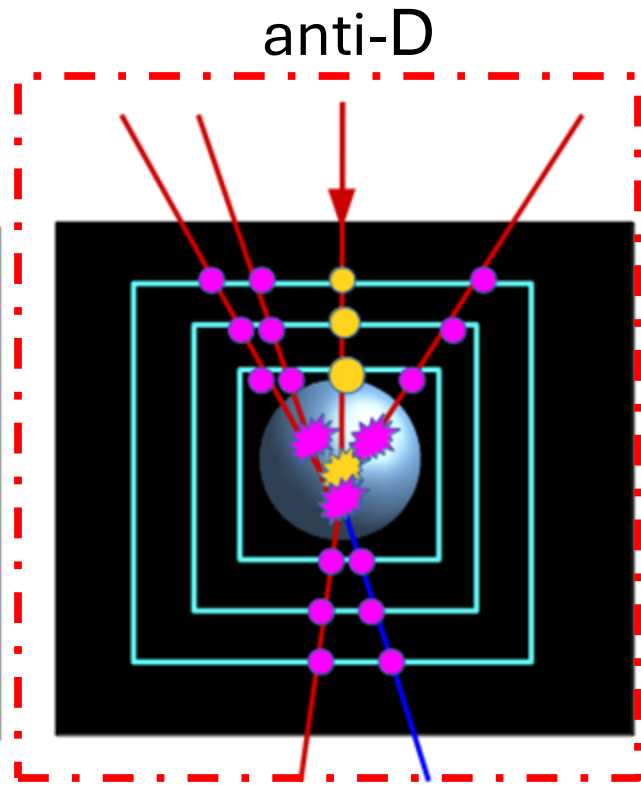
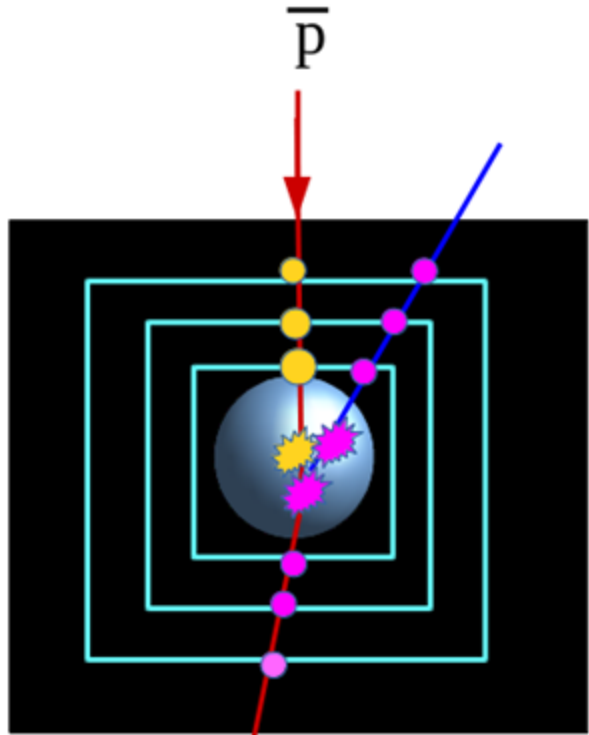
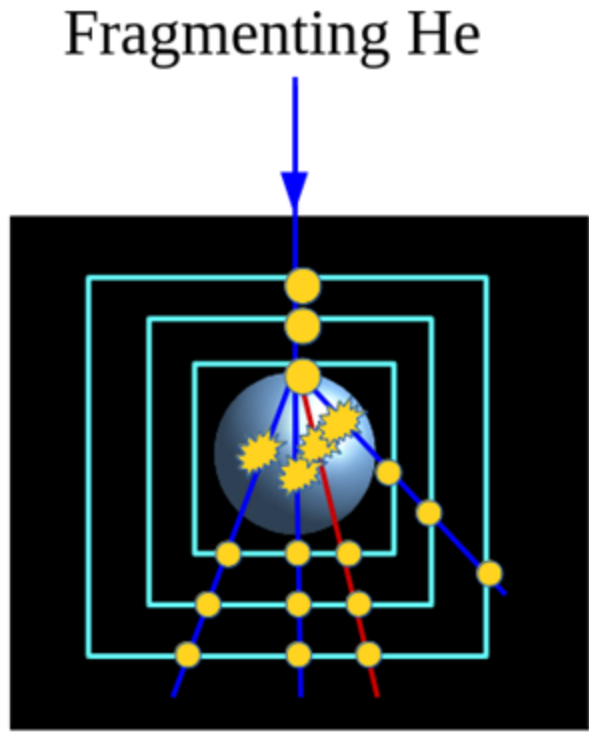
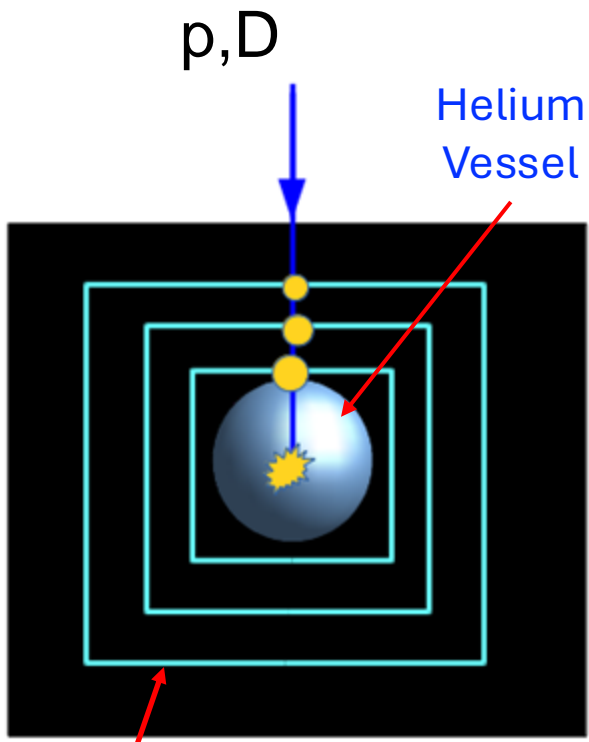
Helium pressurized vessel
Surrounded by Scintillating TOF

A particle enter ADHD
and stops inside

Energetic or fragmenting
particle produces
additional scintillation

Anti -p forms an
exotic He atom
DELAYED ANNH.

Anti -D
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more energy and tracks



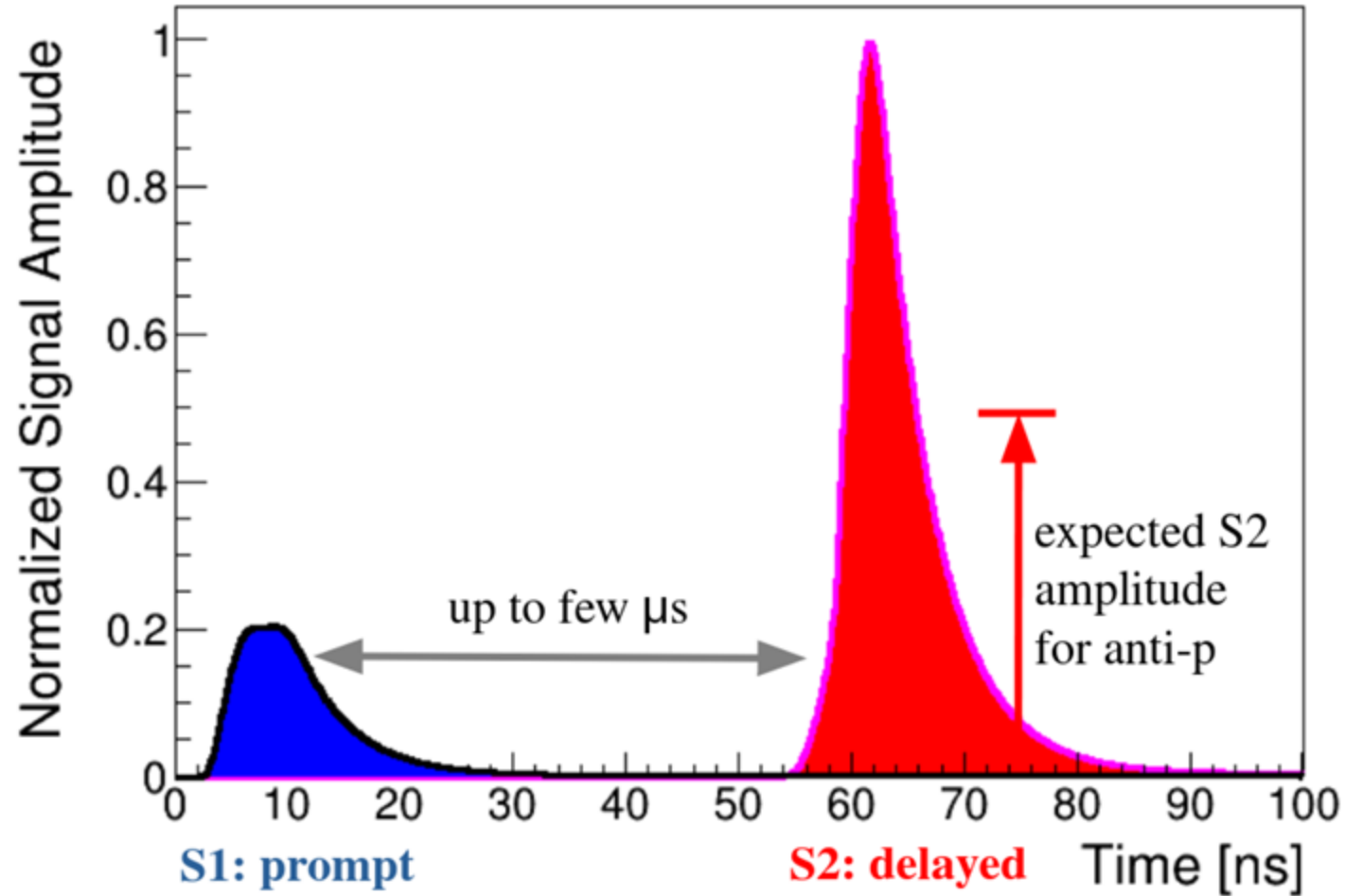
Scintillator
layers

● Prompt hit

● Delayed hit

1.5m

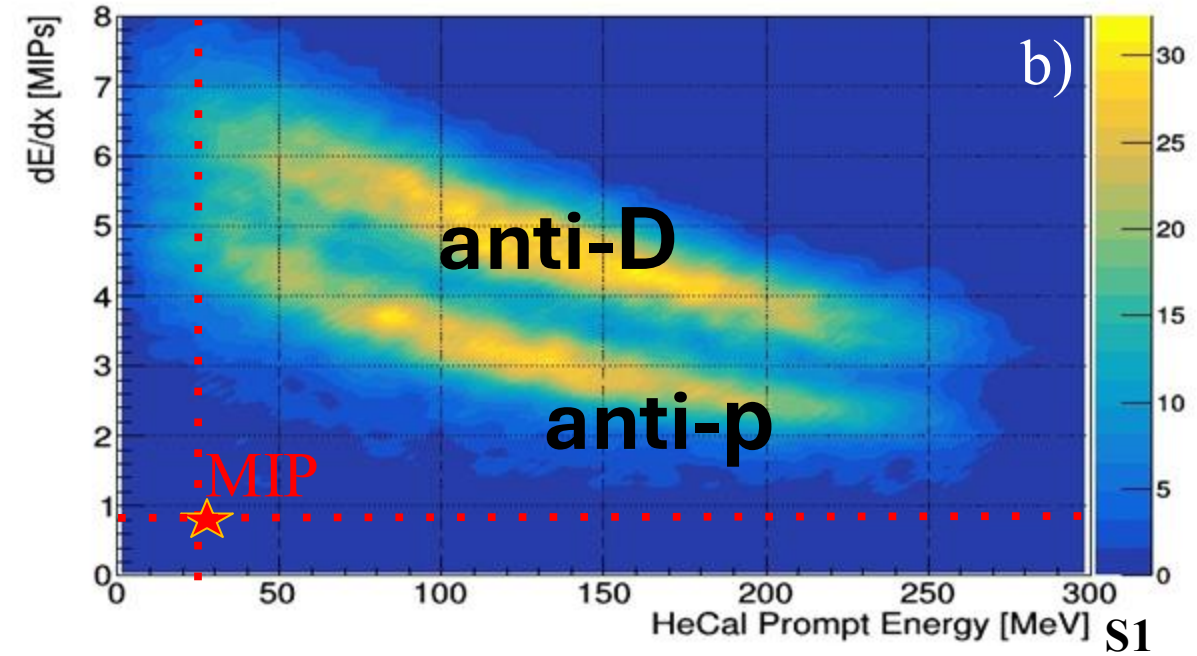
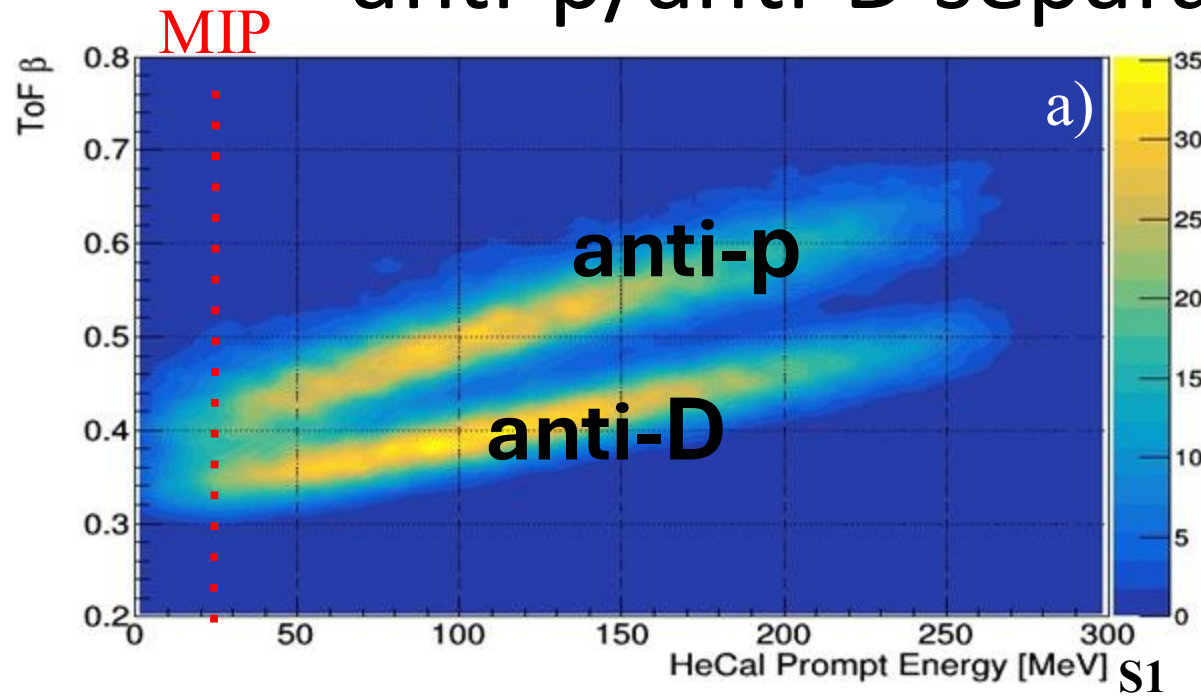
ADHD: Typical signals in Helium



kinetic energy
(- energy loss)

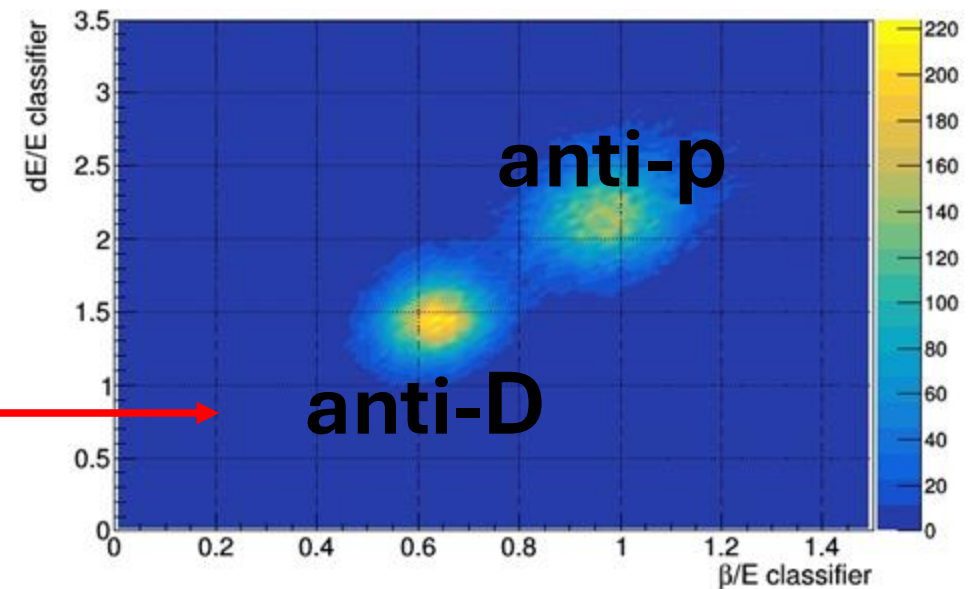
Charged π
Typ. $S2 > S1$
 $S2$ and E_k not related

anti-p/anti-D separation: prompt signal S1



- ToF (30cm baseline & 4mm thickness):
 β resolution 5% $\Rightarrow \sigma_{x/y}$ ~few cm & $\sigma_T < 0.1$ ns
- ToF Energy resolution: 10%
 - He Calorimeter Energy resolution: 10%

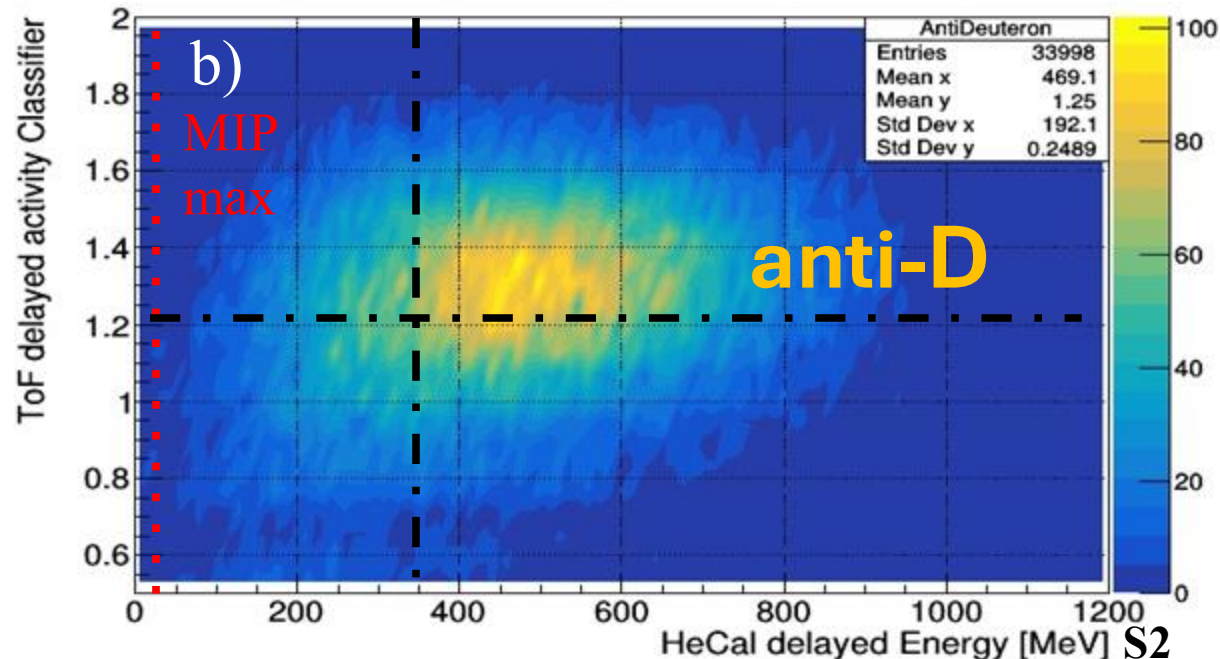
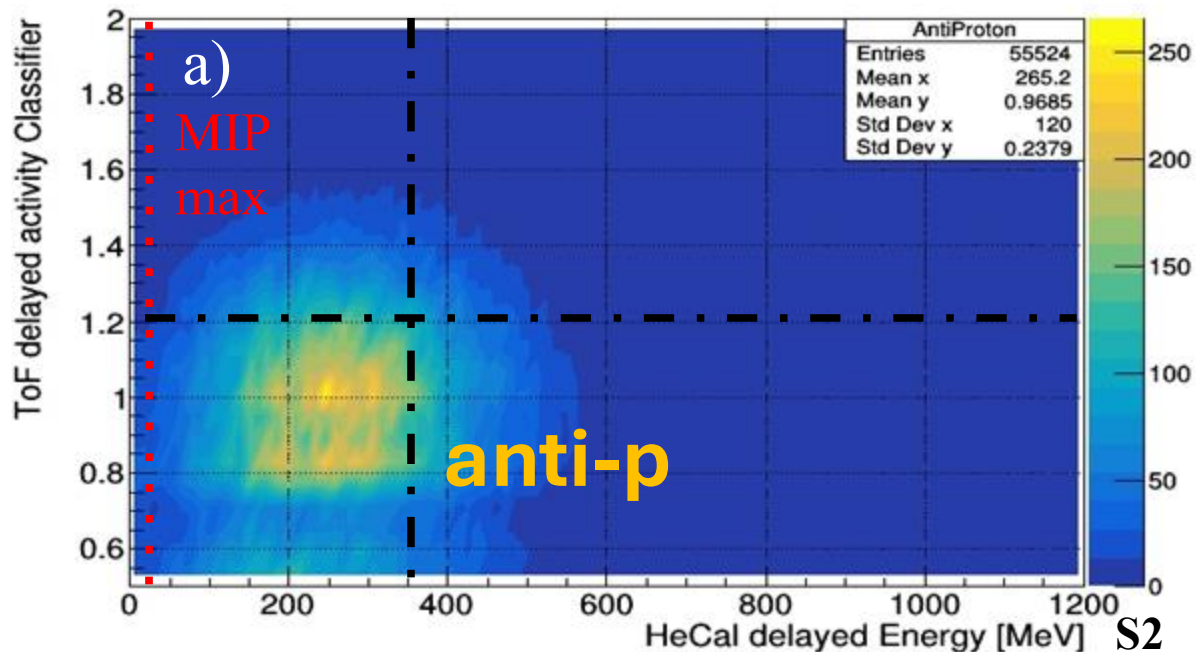
Parametrization of (β vs E) & (dE/dx vs E)
2 “independent” classifiers
that can be combined to obtain an overall
“**Prompt signal classifier**”



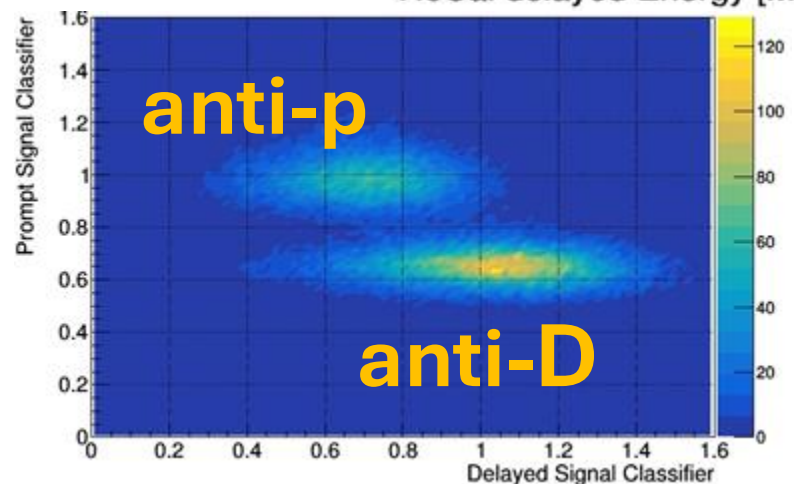
ADHD: anti-p/anti-D separation: delayed signal S2

delayed signal amplitude is independent from E_{kin} : ~ 3 charged pion/antinucleon

-ToF delayed activity classifier = $\#$ ToF delayed hits \oplus ToF delayed energy



**prompt signal classifier +
delayed signal classifier
possibility to detect 1anti-D/1000anti-p
(anti-p rejection 1500 @ 65% anti-D efficiency)**



ADHD: Advanced prototype development status

Pressurized Helium Scintillating Calorimeter for AntiMatter Identification

F. Nozzoli, L. Ricci, F. Rossi, P. Spinnato, E. Verroi, P. Zuccon



Grant to develop a ADHD prototype using a commercial COPV Type-4 tank for automotive

<https://www.tifpa.infn.it/projects/prin2022-phescami/>

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Summary

- Cosmic rays are in a precision era
- AMS-02 will continue the measurement of all the nuclei up to Iron and isotopes at least up Nitrogen
- Calorimetric experiments like DAMPE and CALET are extending the measurement at higher energies, and possibly HERD will give in the future important new measurements
- AMS-02 with the upgrade will provide an extended and more accurate measurement of the elementary particle fluxes, especially anti-p and positrons
- New magnetic spectrometer experiments would be able to investigate the positron and anti-p spectra and search for anti-matter in the CR
- The search for low energy anti-deuterons is also a very promising channel for DM.

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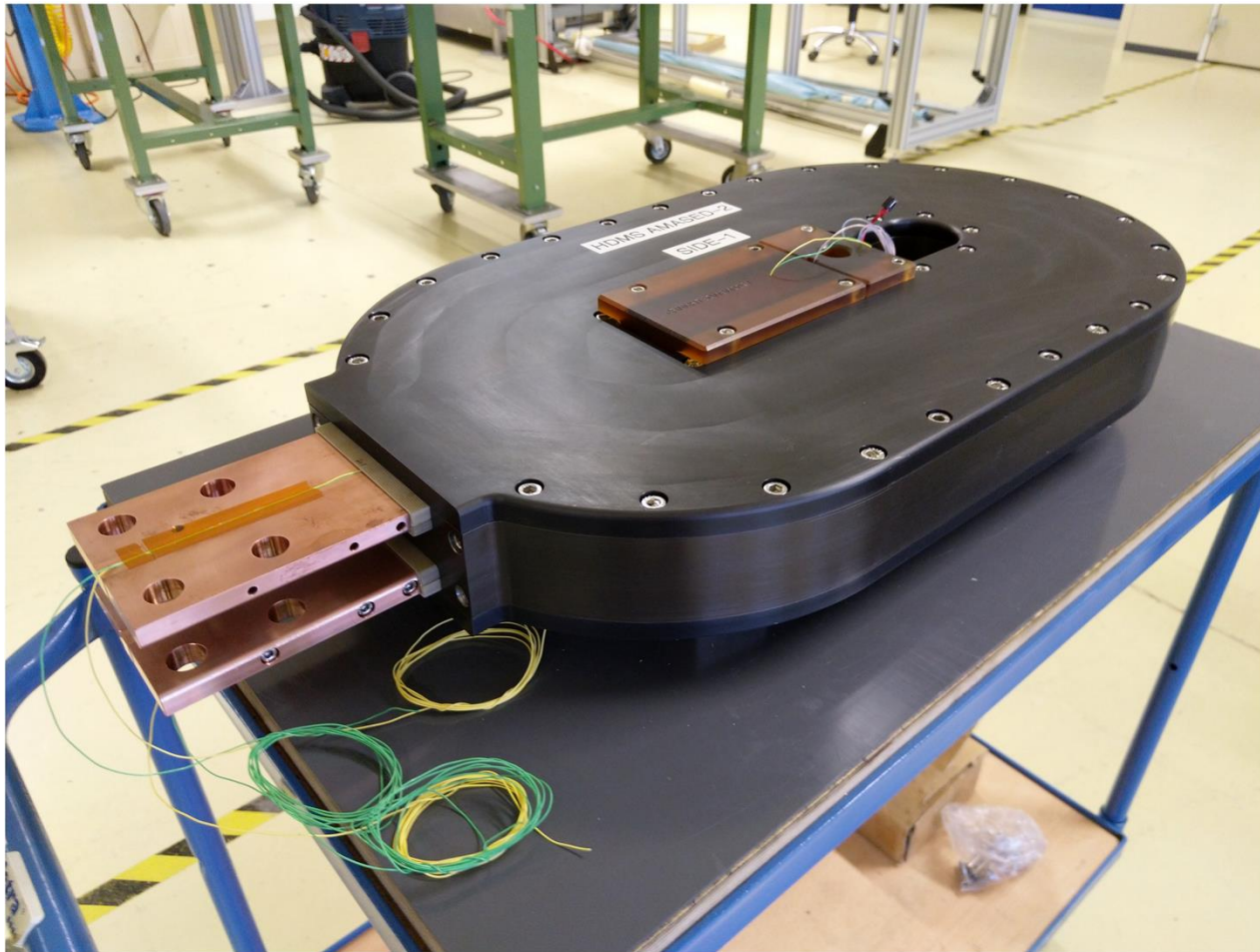
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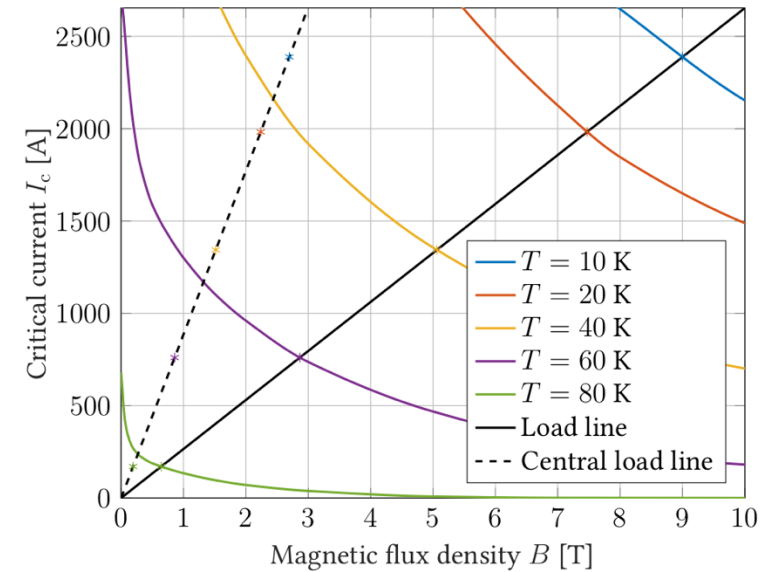
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Conductor and cable configuration

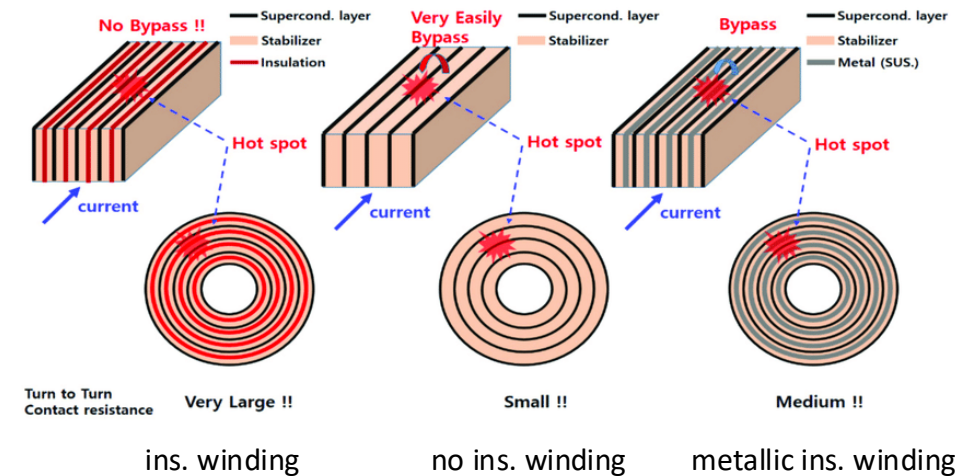
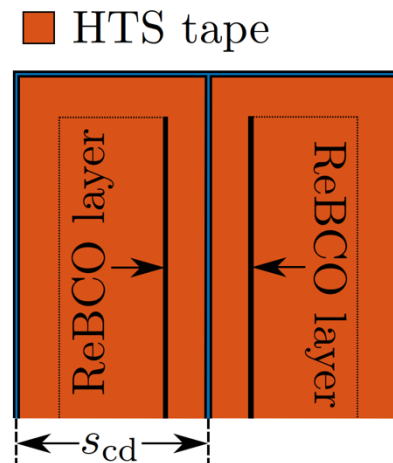
SuperPower 2G HTS tape

Description	Value	Unit
Tape width	12	mm
Tape thickness	97	μm
Hastelloy substrate thickness	50	μm
ReBCO thickness	1.6	μm
Silver thickness	3.8	μm
Copper stabilizer thickness	40	μm
I_c at 77 K, self-field	0.4	kA



Cable configuration

- No-insulation winding technique
- Two-tape stack
- Dry wound with first and last turns soldered



Magnetic critical current measurements

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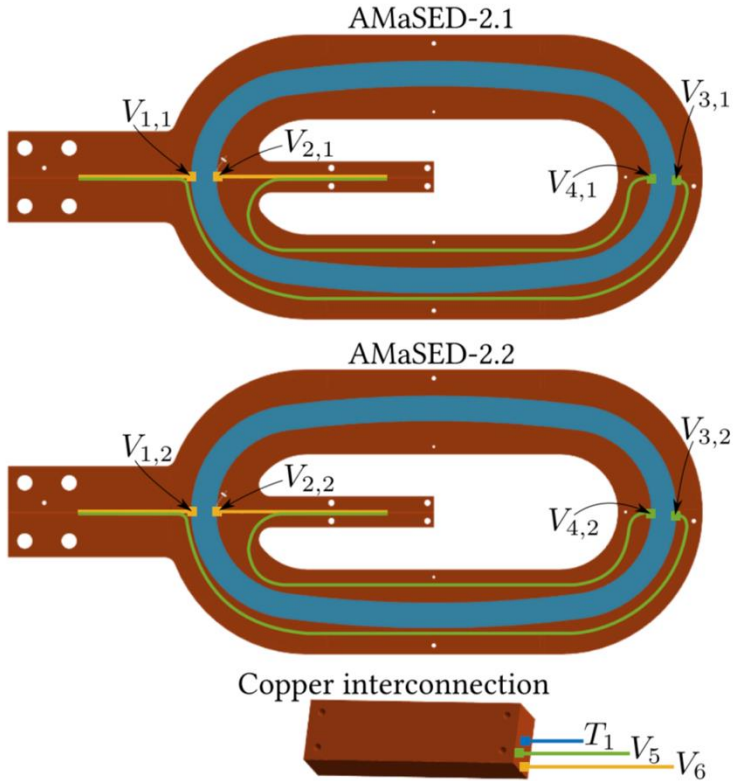


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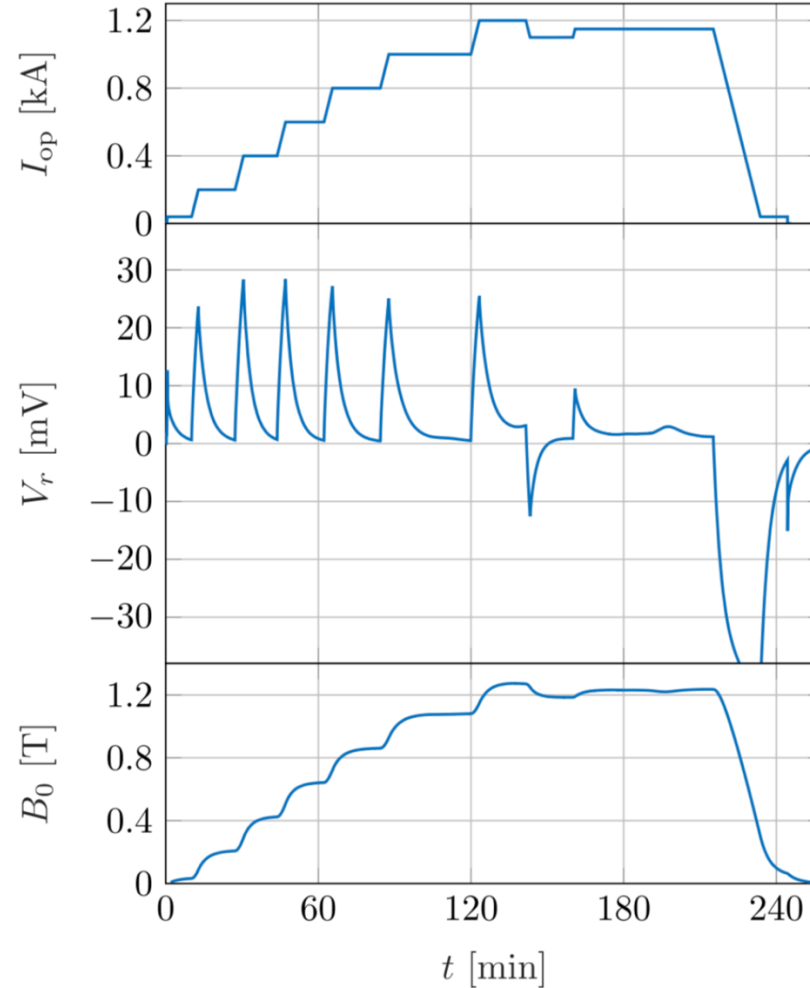


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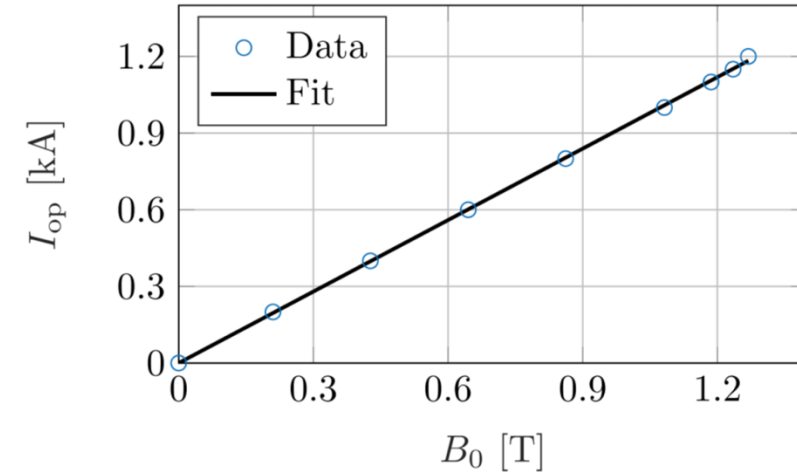
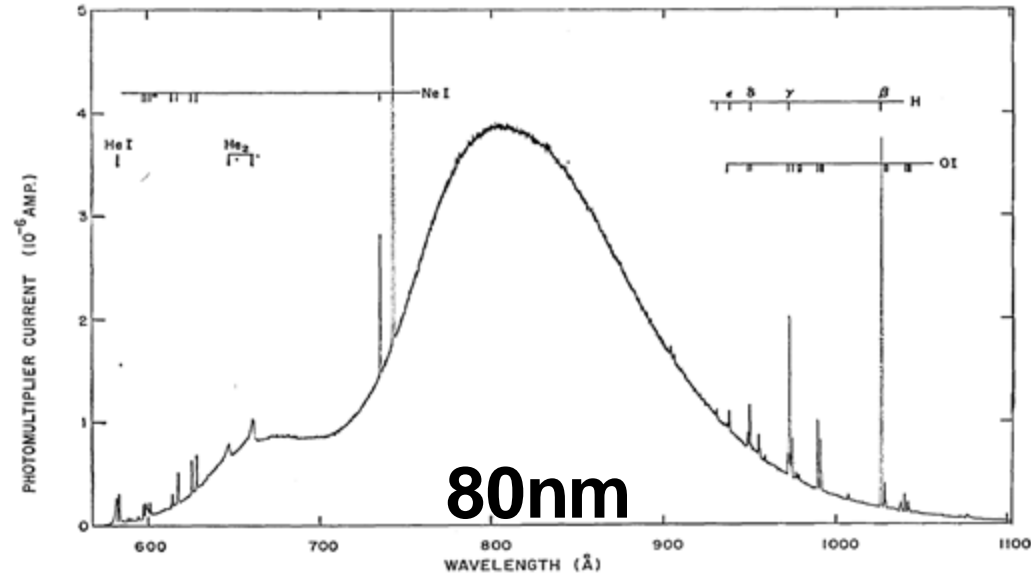


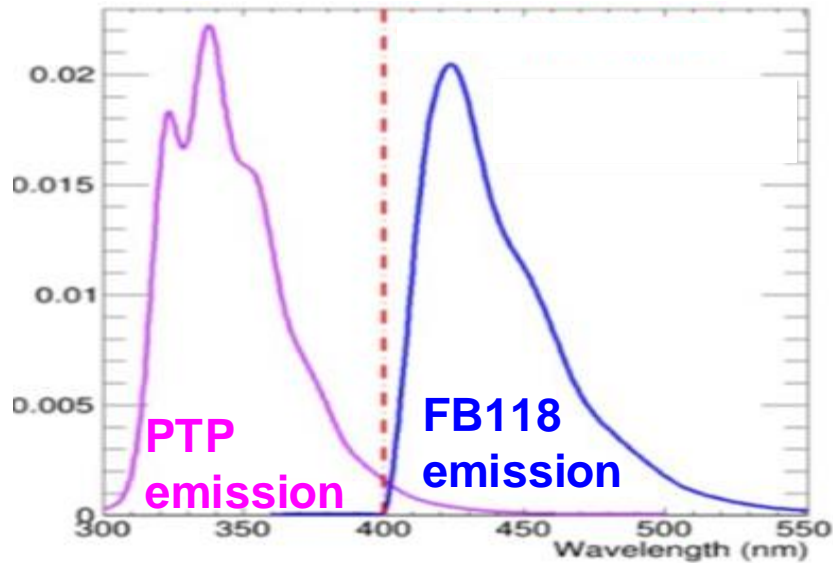
Figure 5. The operating current I_{op} as a function of the convergence value of the central magnetic flux density B_0 for $T_{op} = 40$ K.

WLS system for the PHeSCAMI project

He VUV emission



Hard to extract VUV from the tank. It is absorbed from the walls and we need an optical window for 400bar



2 stages WLS:
similar to the one developed for LAr (127nm) in DUNE
X-Arapuca:
C.Brizzolari 2021
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step1: Para-TerPheny (PTP) deposited on the tank walls shift from 80 nm to 350 nm

step2: MMA central fiber doped with BBT (FB118 developed by G2P Rovereto) shift from 350 nm to 430 nm