

Recent Results from the Alpha Magnetic Spectrometer (AMS) Experiment on the International Space Station

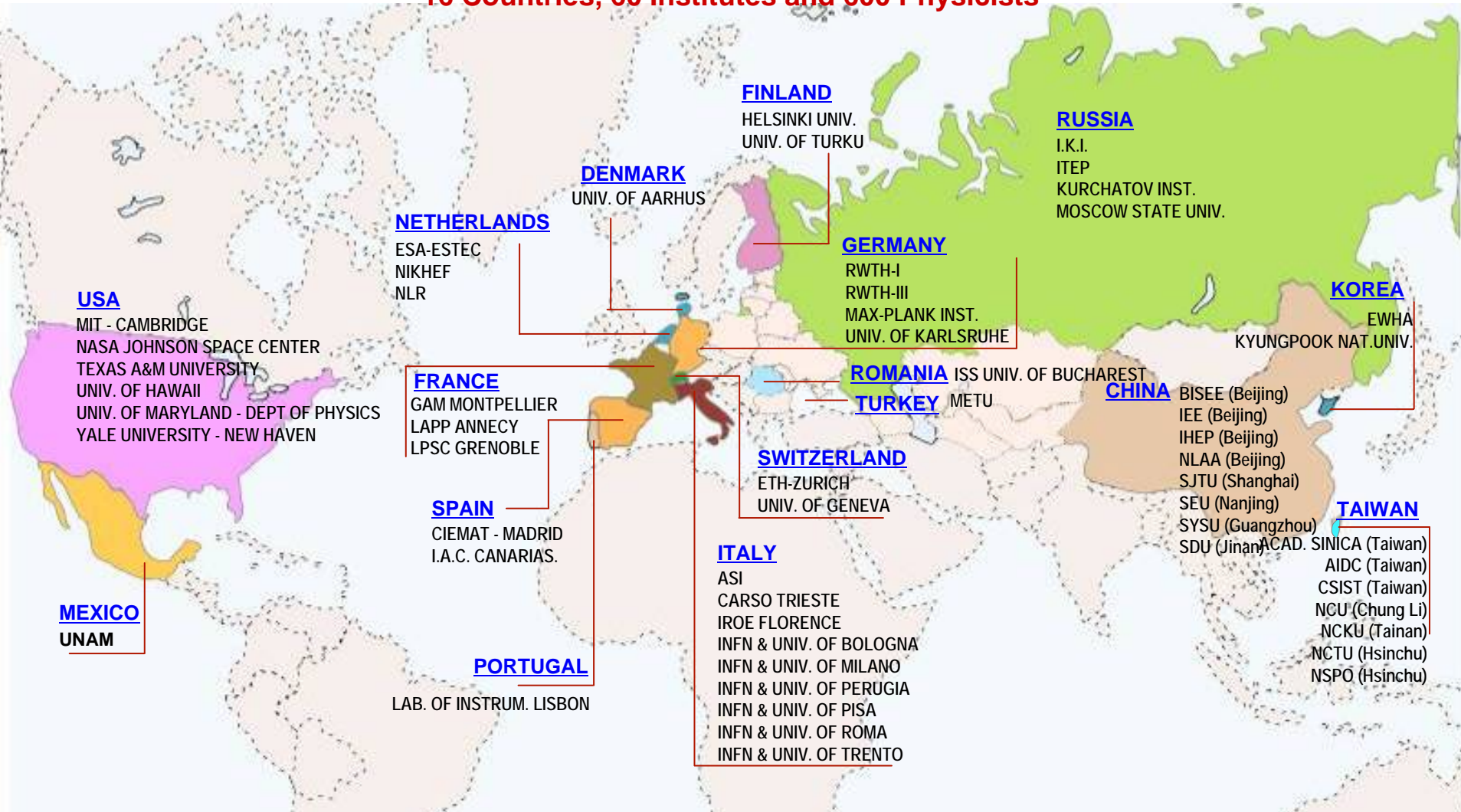
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16th Lomonosov, Moscow, August 24th 2013

AMS International Collaboration

16 Countries, 60 Institutes and 600 Physicists



Total cost (US accounting) 2 B\$: 95% from Europe and Asia

AMS: A TeV precision, multipurpose spectrometer

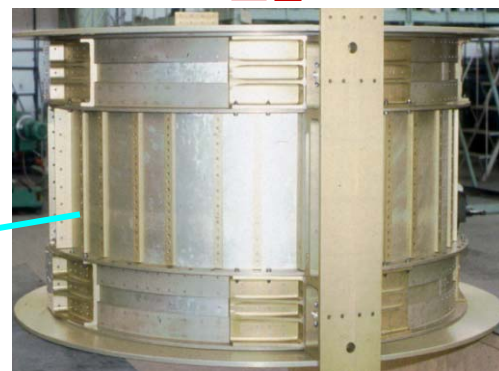
TRD
Identify e^+ , e^-

Particles and nuclei are defined by their charge (Z) and energy ($E \sim P$)

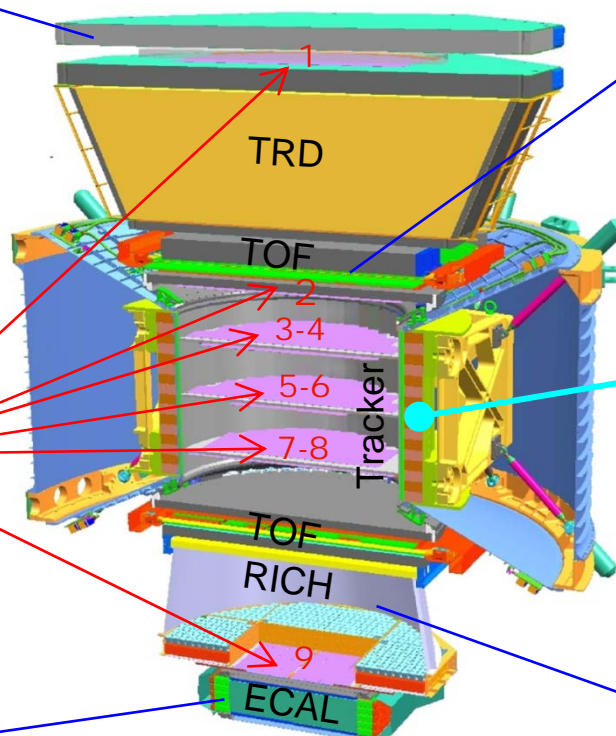
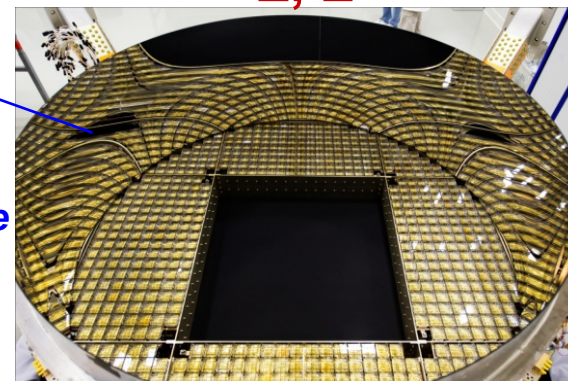
TOF
 Z, E



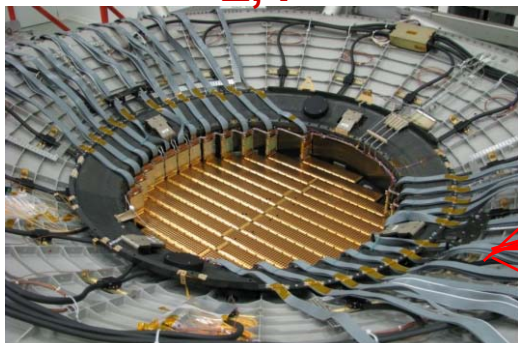
Magnet
 $\pm Z$



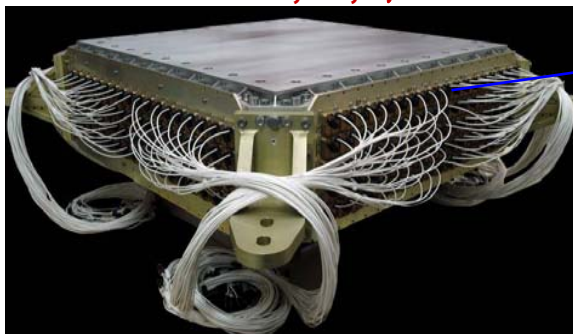
RICH
 Z, E



Silicon Tracker
 Z, P

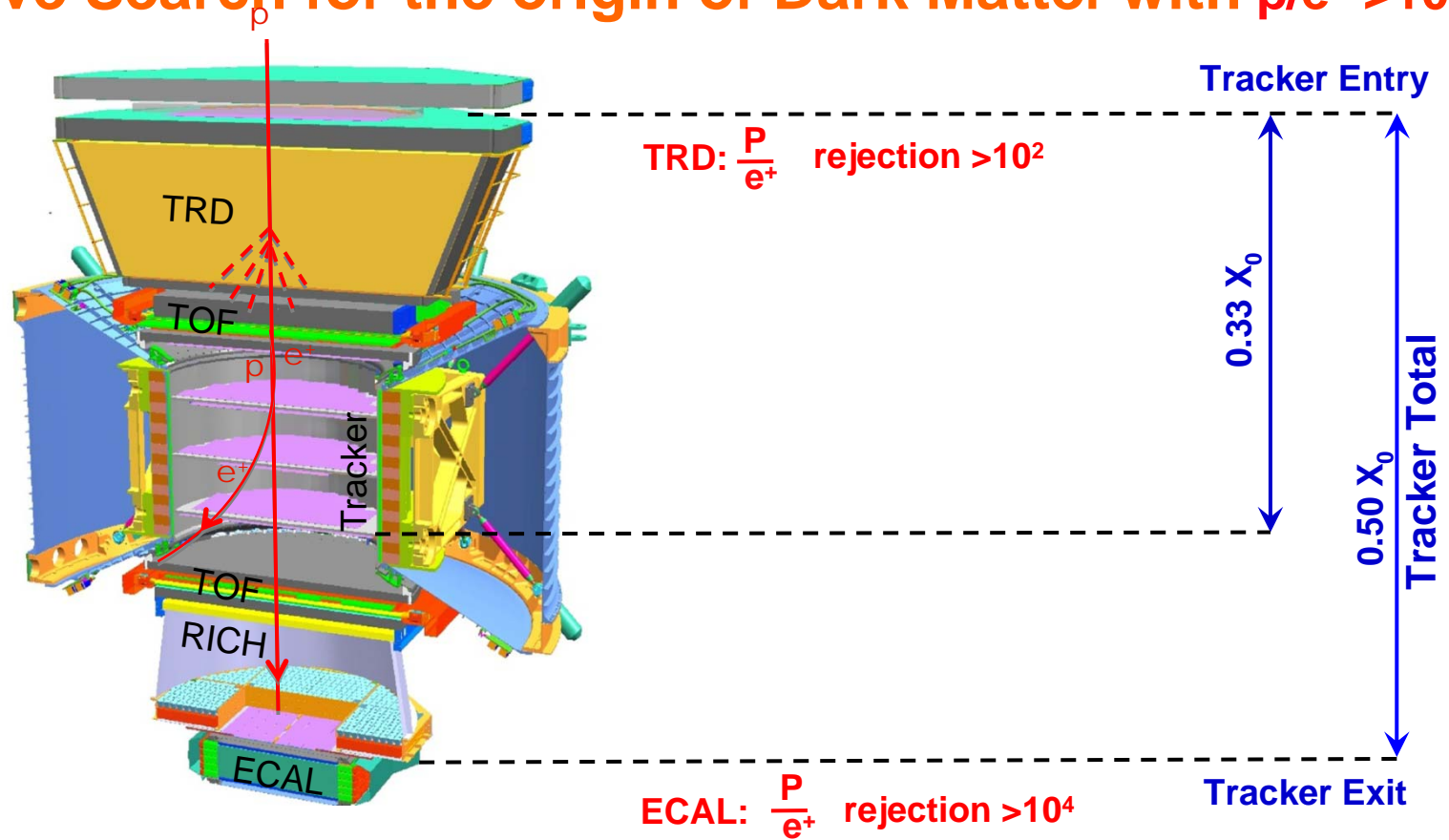


ECAL
 E of e^+ , e^- , γ



Z, P are measured independently by the Tracker, RICH, TOF and ECAL

Sensitive Search for the origin of Dark Matter with $p/e^+ > 10^6$



a) Minimal material in the TRD and TOF

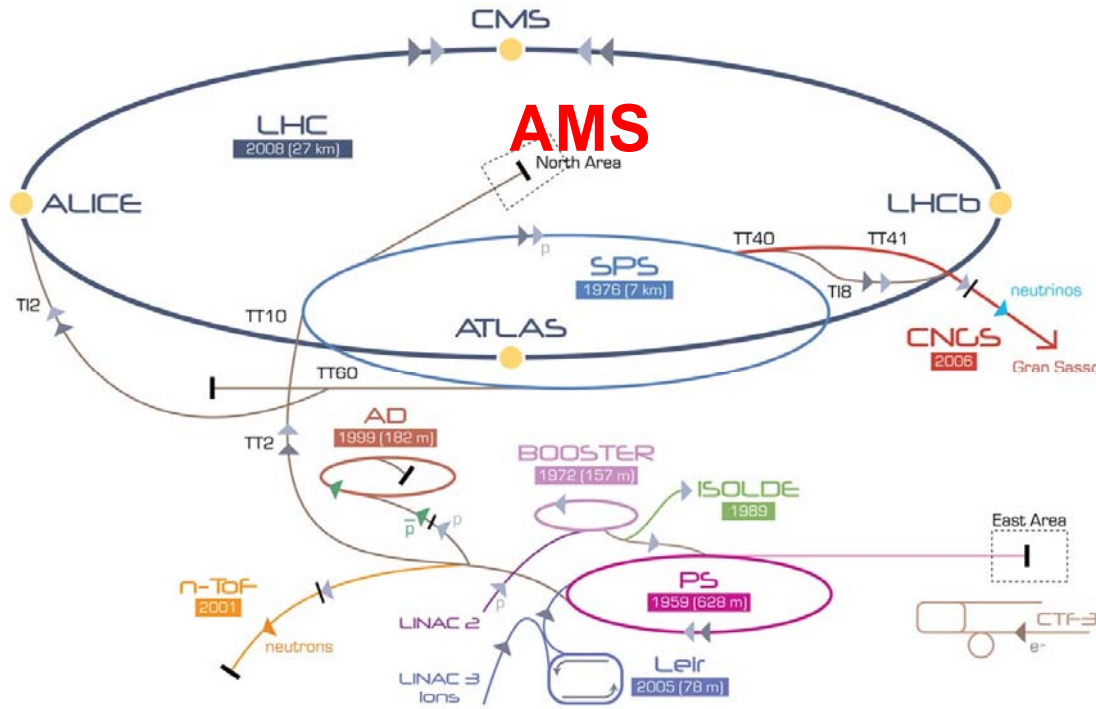
So that the detector does not become a source of e^+

b) A magnet separates TRD and ECAL so that e^+ produced in TRD will be swept away and not enter ECAL

In this way the rejection power of TRD and ECAL are independent

c) Matching momentum of 9 tracker planes with ECAL energy measurements

Intensive Beam Tests at CERN



AMS in SPS Test Beam, 2010

Particle	Momentum (GeV/c)	Positions	Purpose
Protons	400 + 180	1,650	Full Tracker alignment, TOF calibration, ECAL uniformity
Electrons	100, 120, 180, 290	7 each	TRD, ECAL performance study
Positrons	10, 20, 60, 80, 120, 180	7 each	TRD, ECAL performance study
Pions	20, 60, 80, 100, 120, 180	7 each	TRD performance to 1.2 TeV

AMS Flight Electronics for Data Acquisition (DAQ)

TRD: 5248 Signals



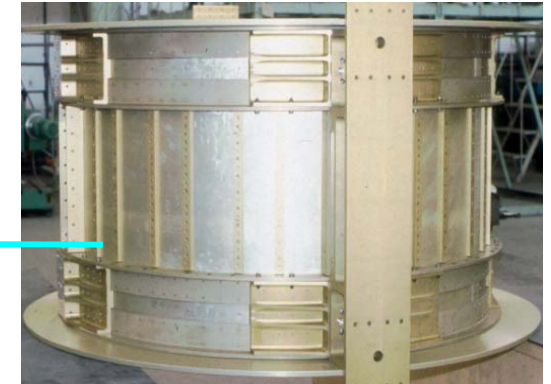
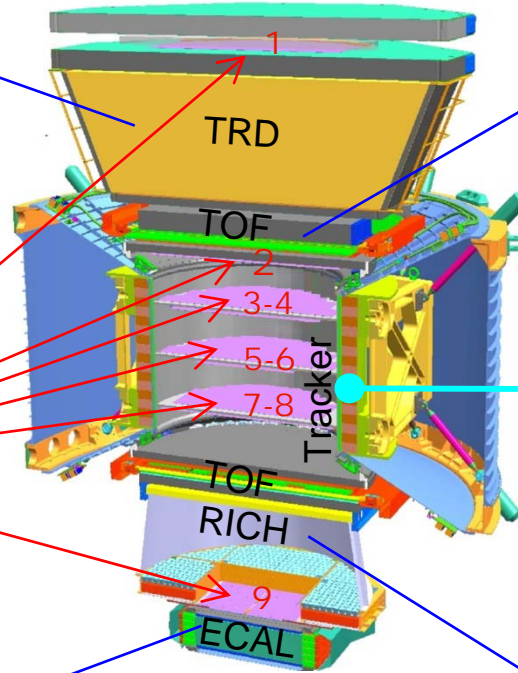
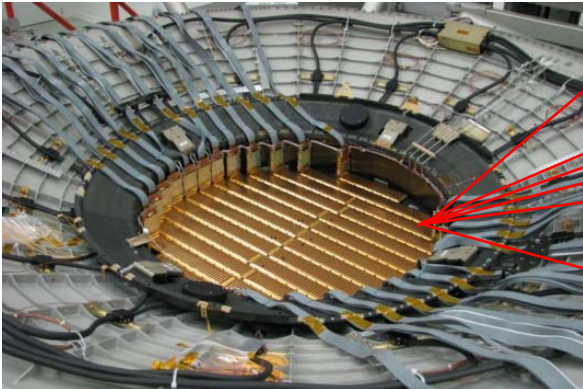
300,000 channels at 2 KHz,
650 computers
designed and built by AMS

TOF & ACC: 88 Signals



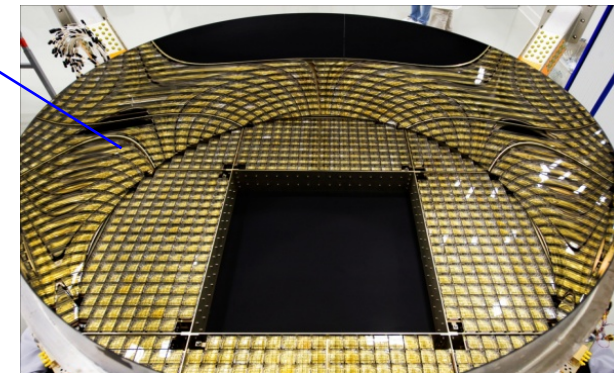
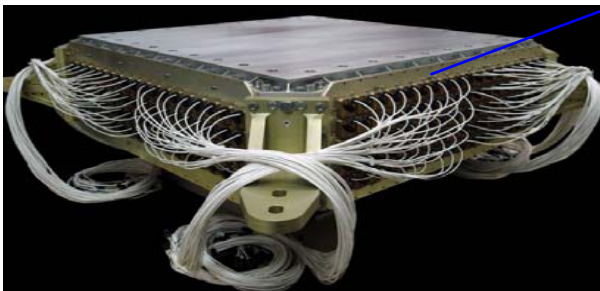
Magnet

Silicon Tracker:
196,608 Signals



RICH: 10,800 * 2 Signals

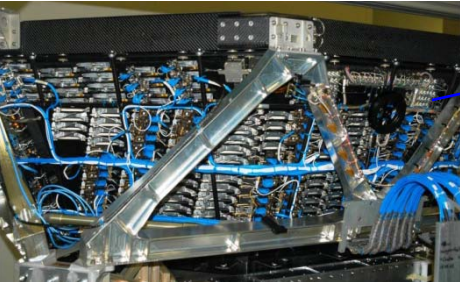
ECAL: 2,916 Signals



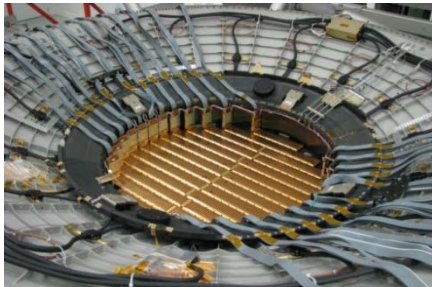
AMS Flight Electronics for Thermal Control

1118 temperature sensors, 298 heaters

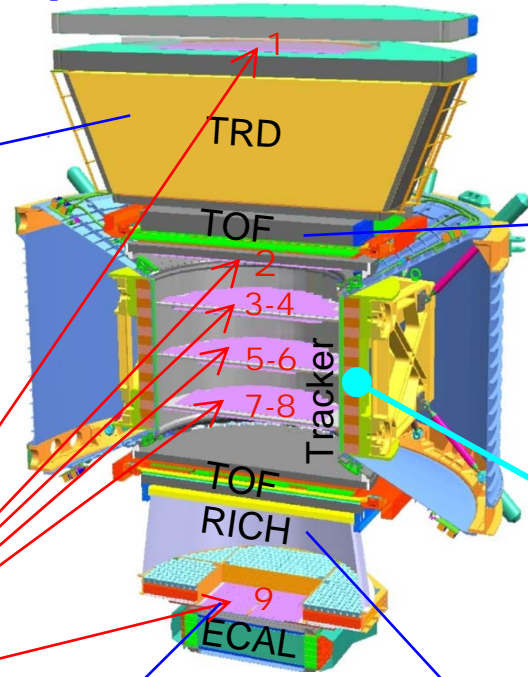
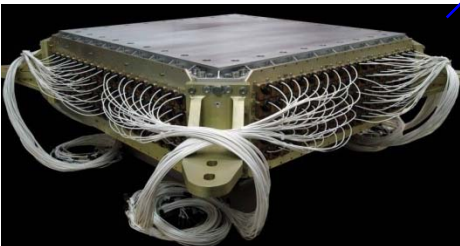
TRD
24 Heaters
8 Pressure Sensors
482 Temperature Sensors



Silicon Tracker
4 -Pressure Sensors
32 Heaters
142 Temperature Sensors



ECAL
80 Temperature Sensors



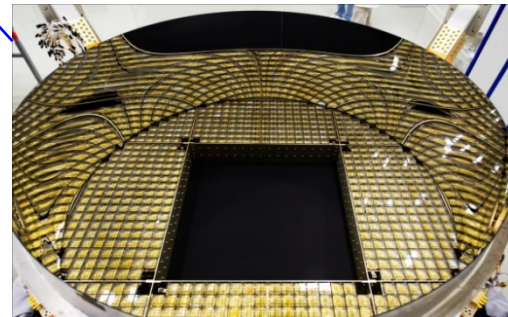
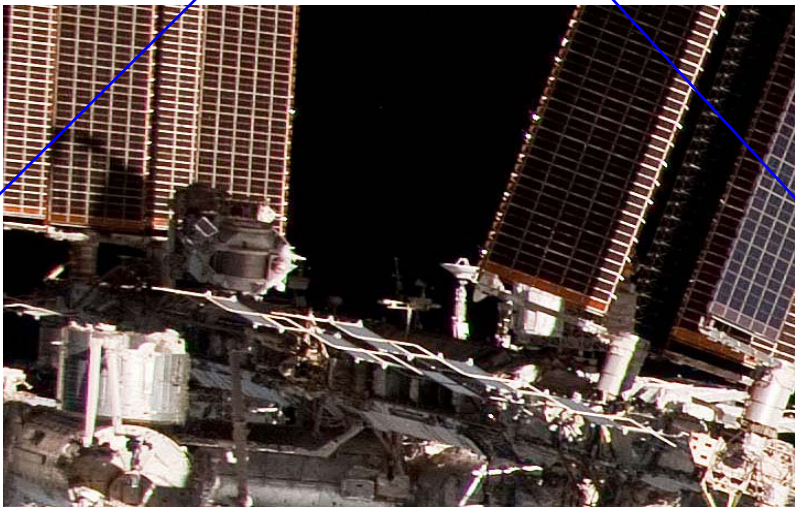
TOF & ACC
64 Temperature Sensors



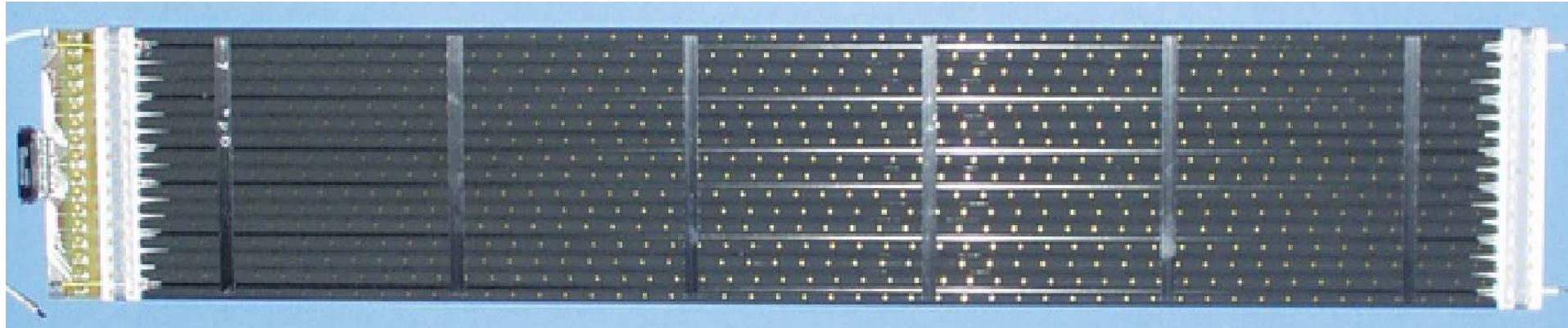
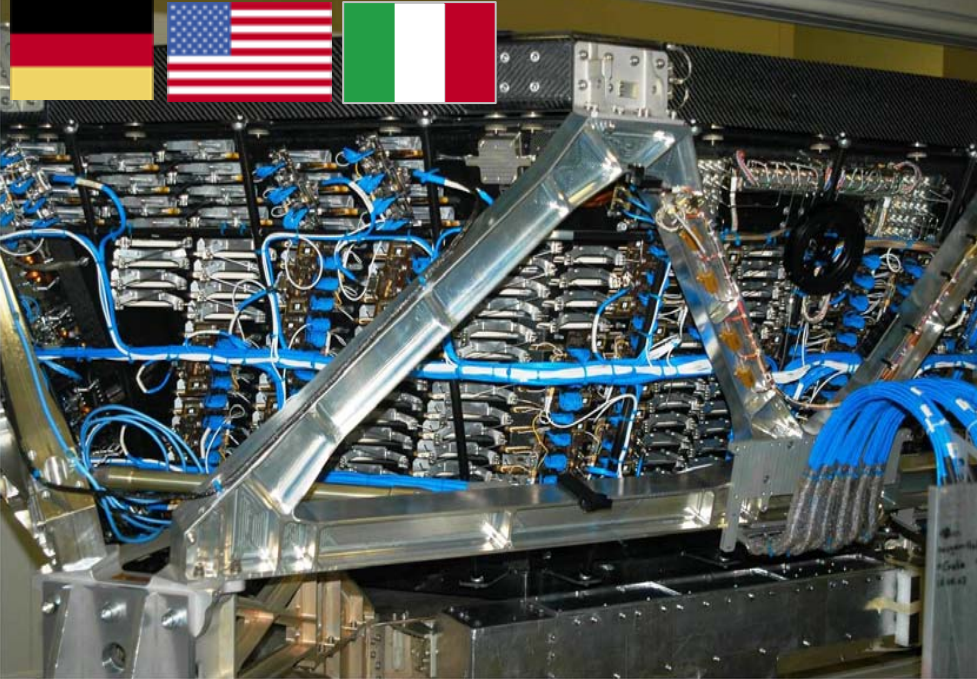
Magnet
68 Temperature Sensors



RICH
96 Temperature Sensors



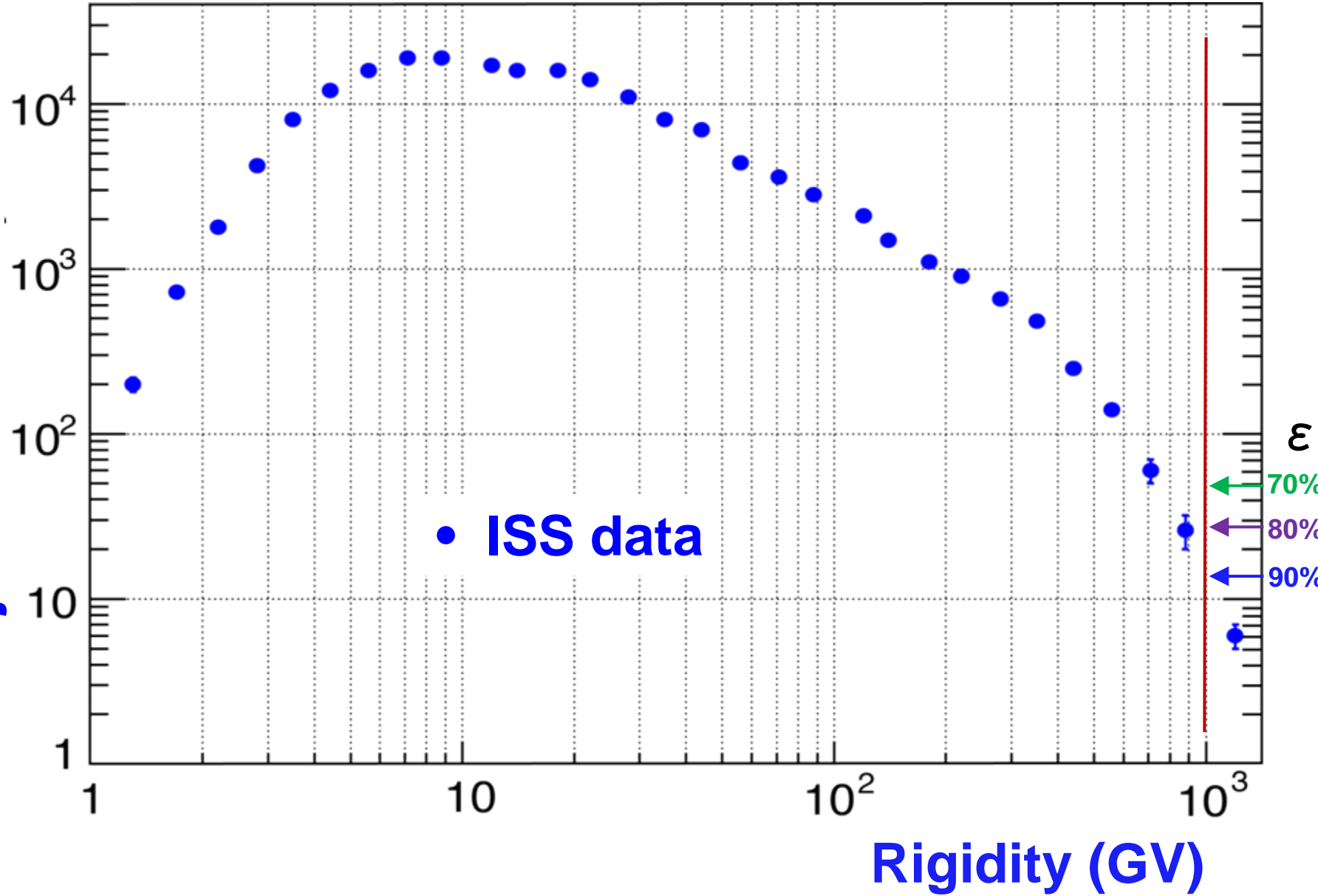
Transition Radiation Detector (TRD) Identifies Positrons, Electrons by transition radiation and Nuclei by dE/dX



5,248 tubes selected from 9,000, 2 m length centered to $100\mu\text{m}$, verified by CAT scanner

TRD performance on ISS

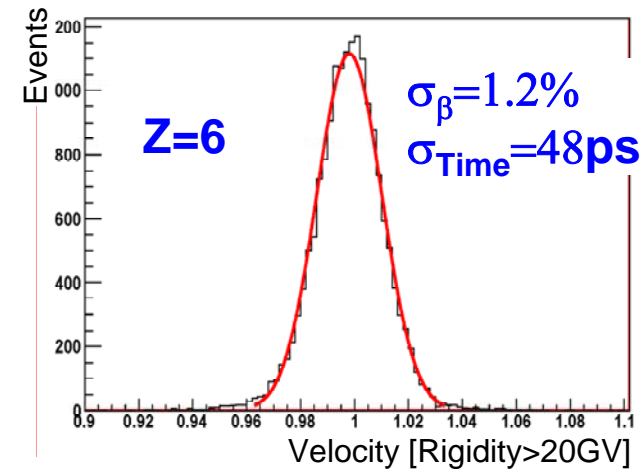
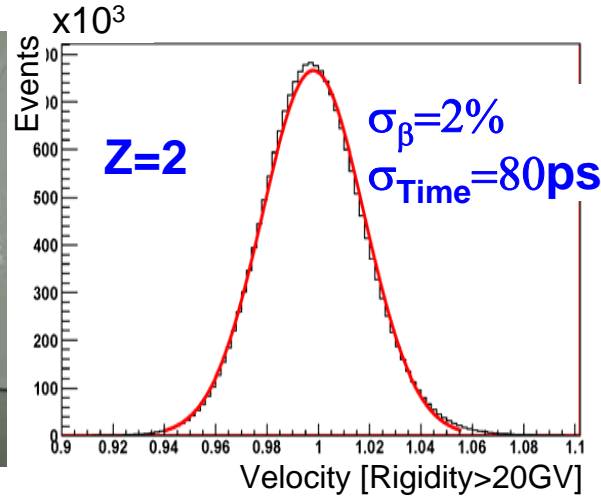
Proton rejection at 90% e^+ efficiency



Data from ISS

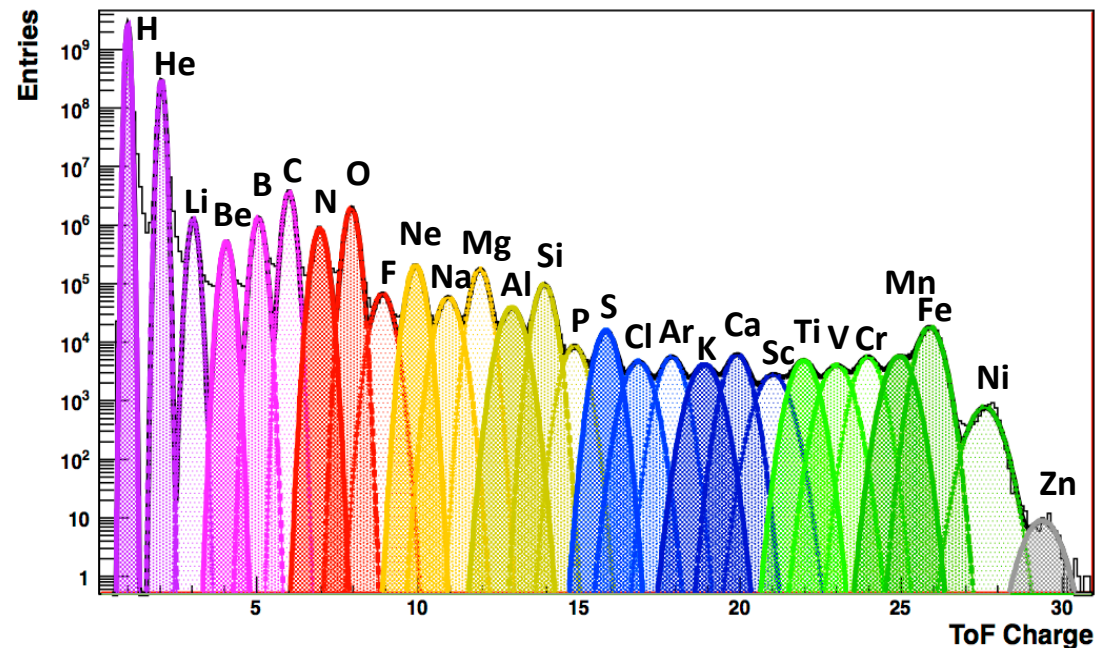
Time of Flight System

Measures Velocity and Charge of particles



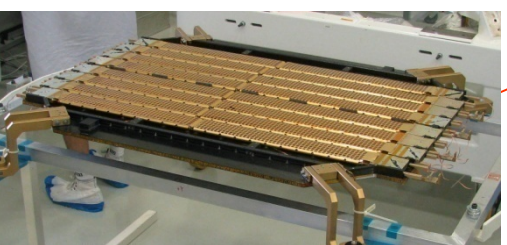
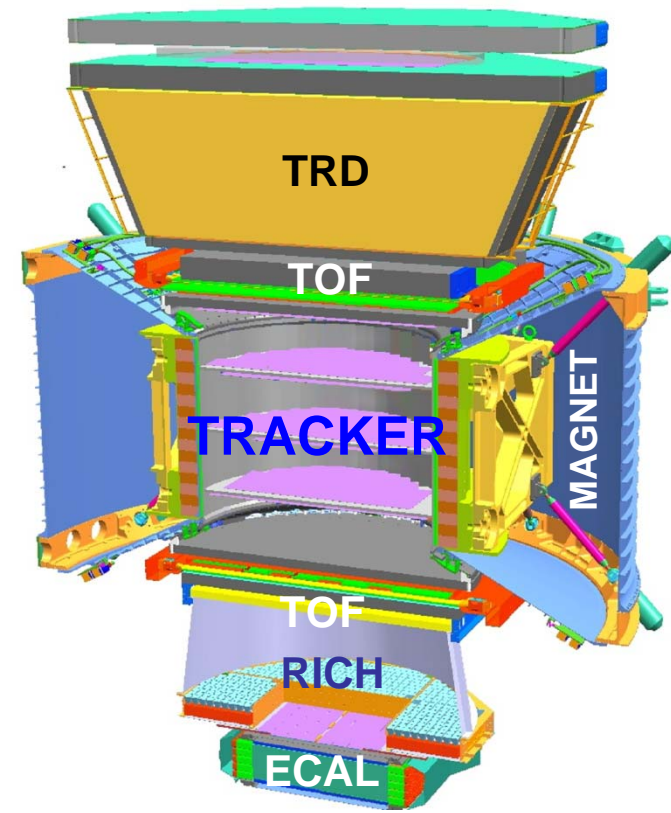
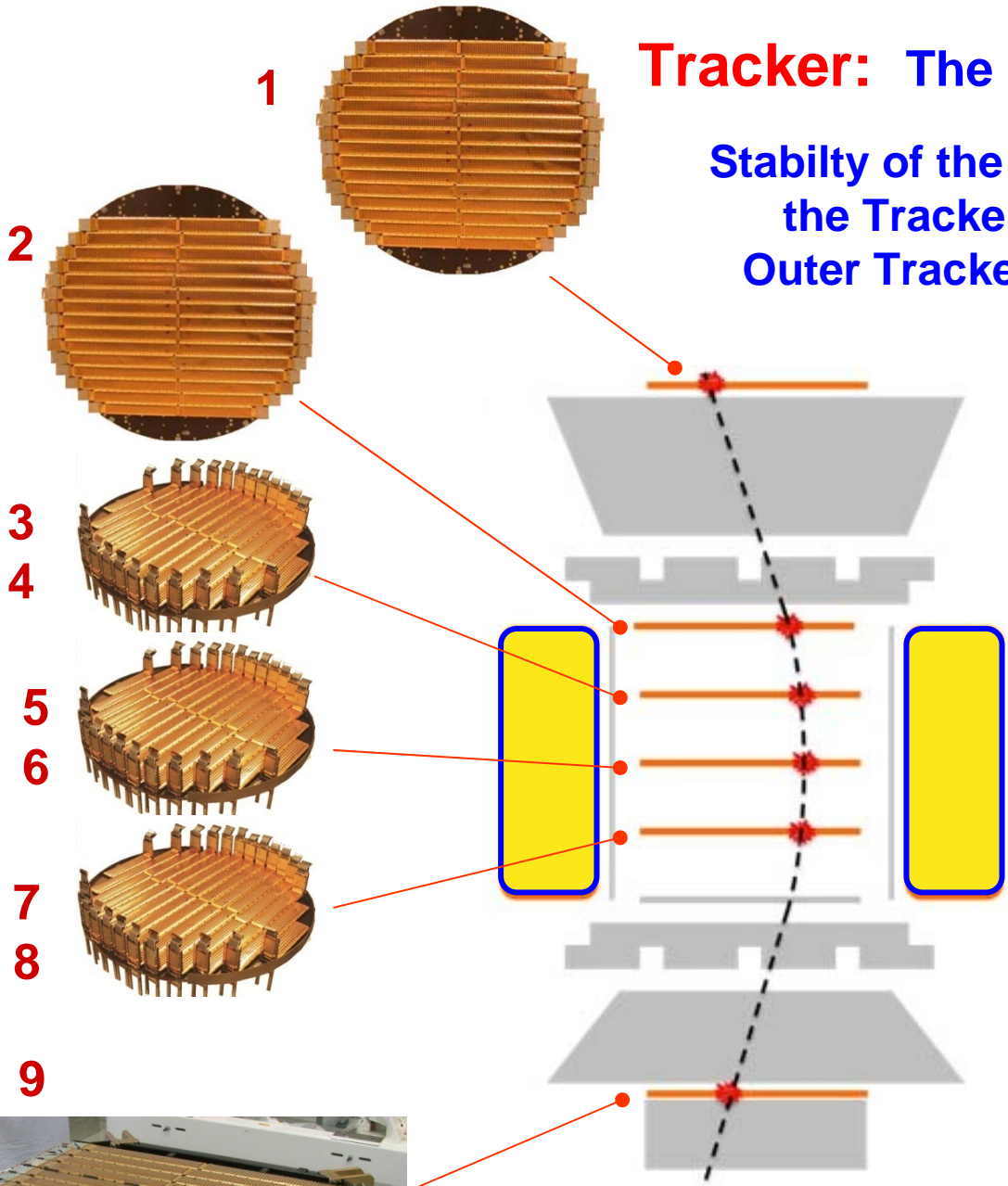
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Professors A. Contin, G. Laurenti, F. Palmonari

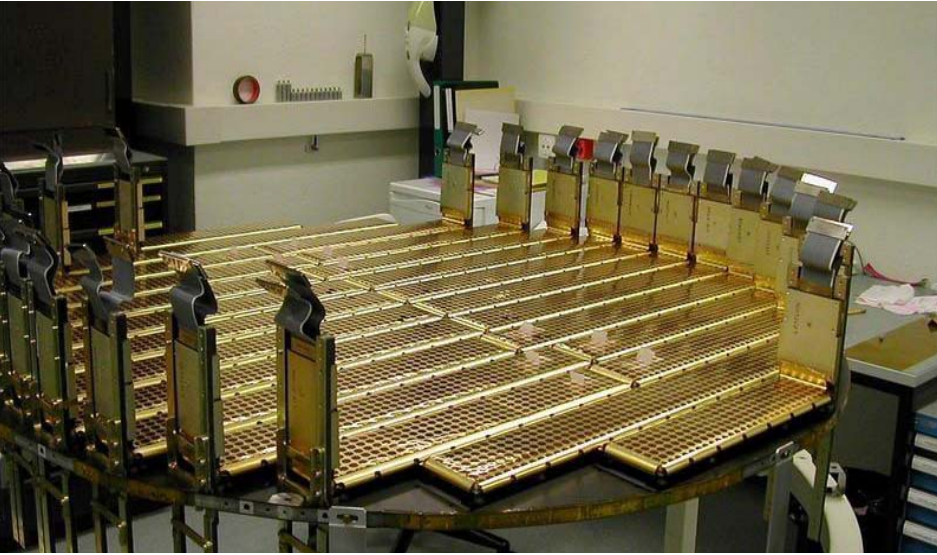


Tracker: The coordinate resolution is $10\ \mu$

Stability of the Inner Tracker is monitored by the Tracker Laser Alignment System.
Outer Tracker Alignment via cosmic rays

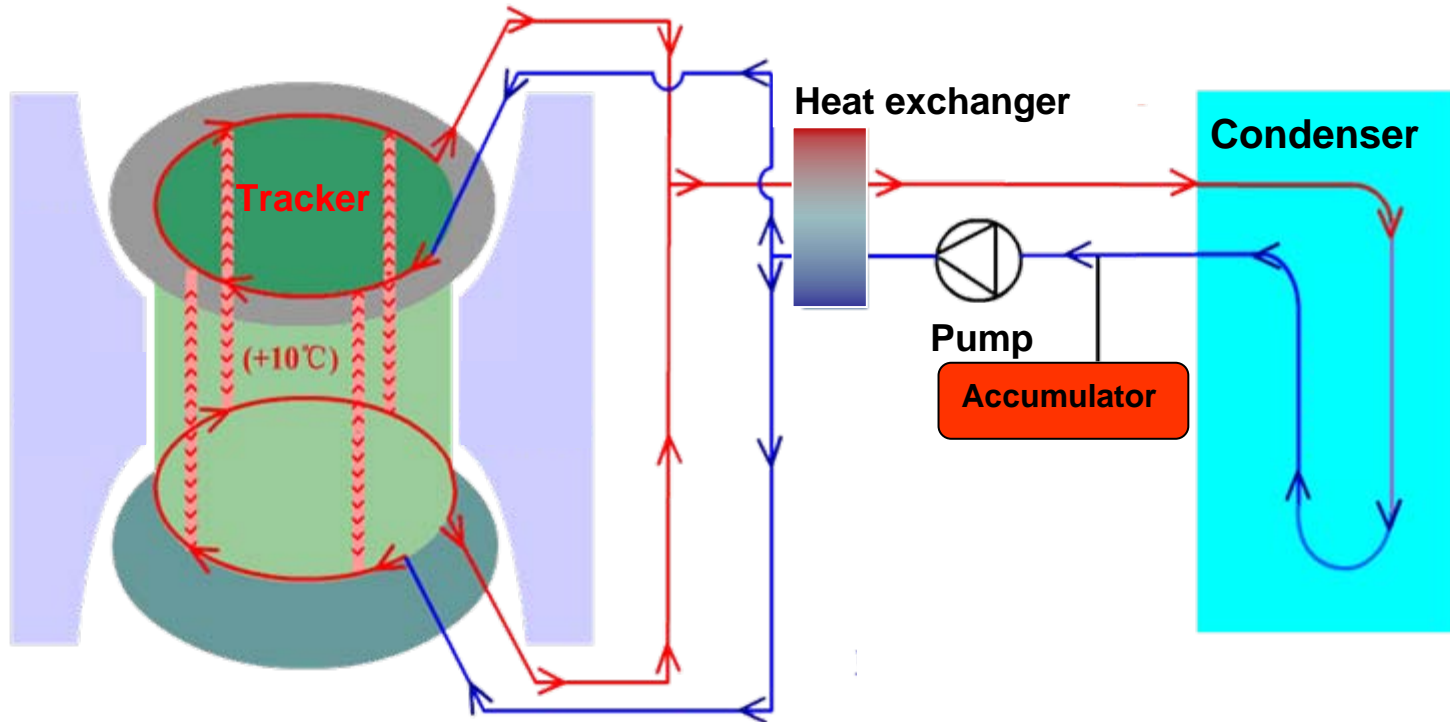


Tracker



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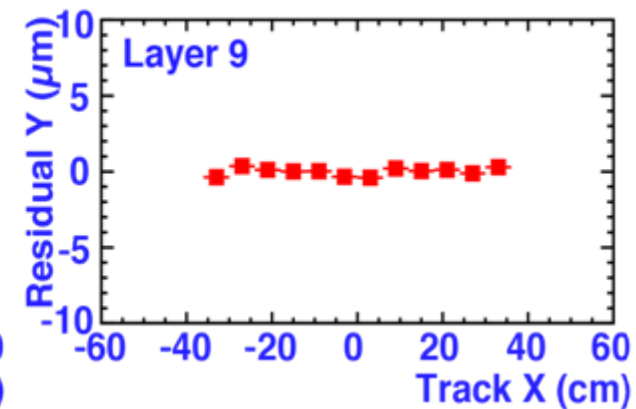
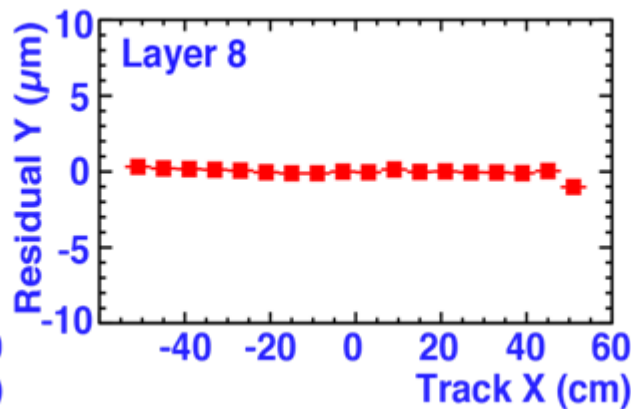
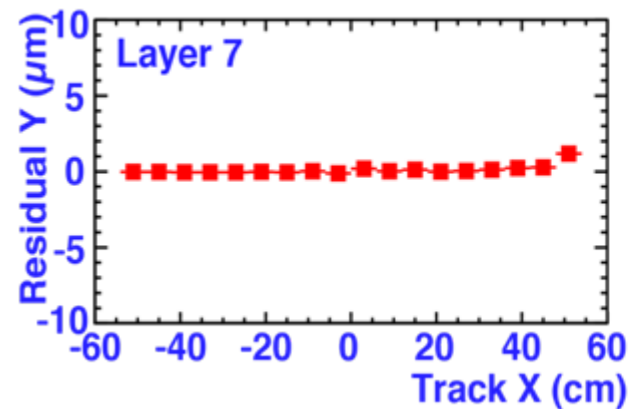
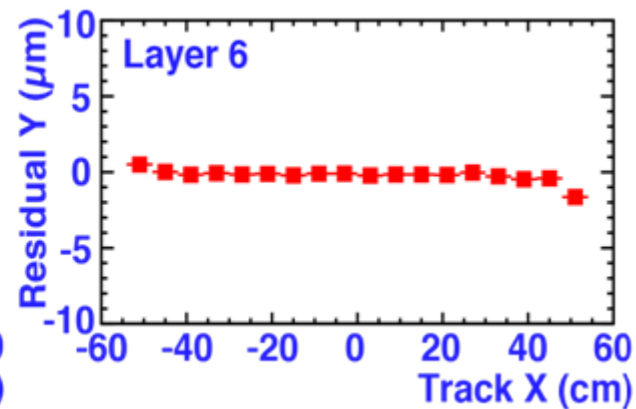
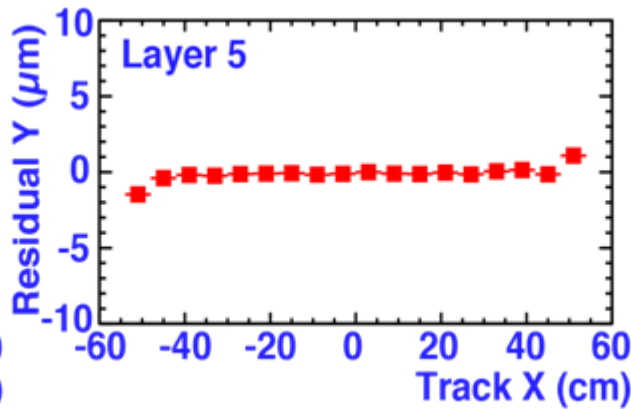
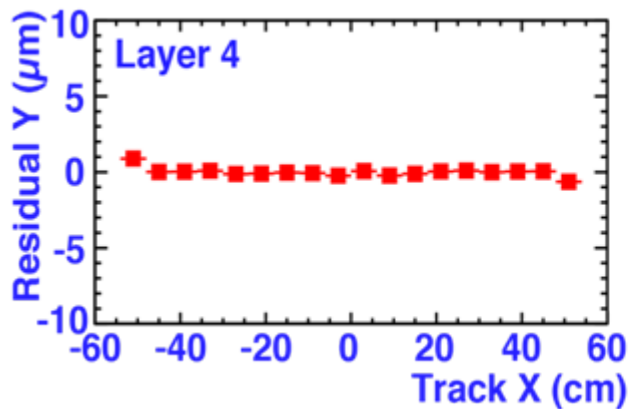
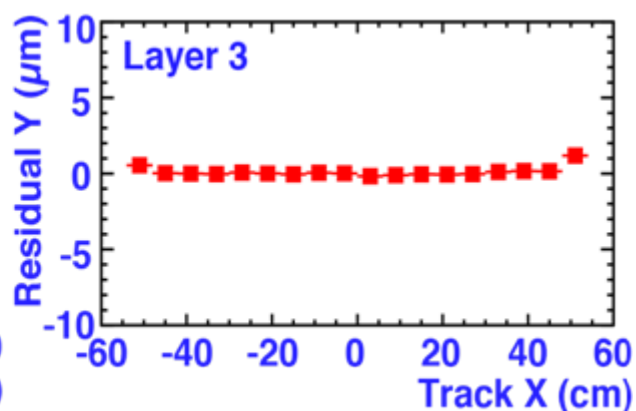
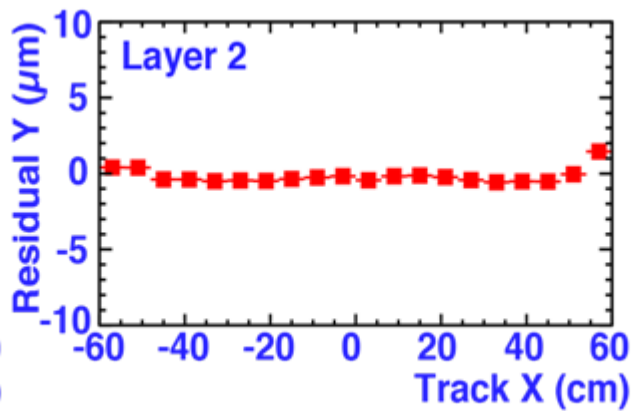
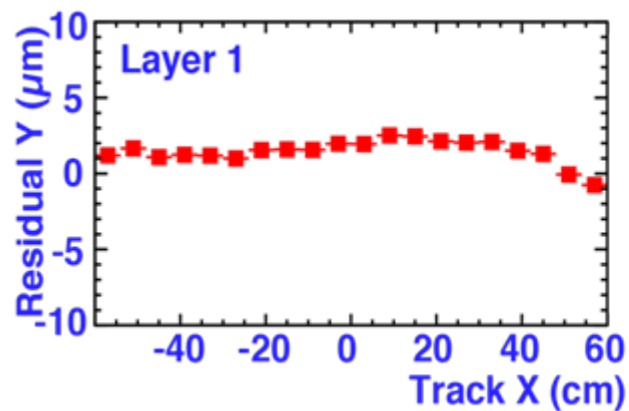
Tracker Thermal Control System in Space



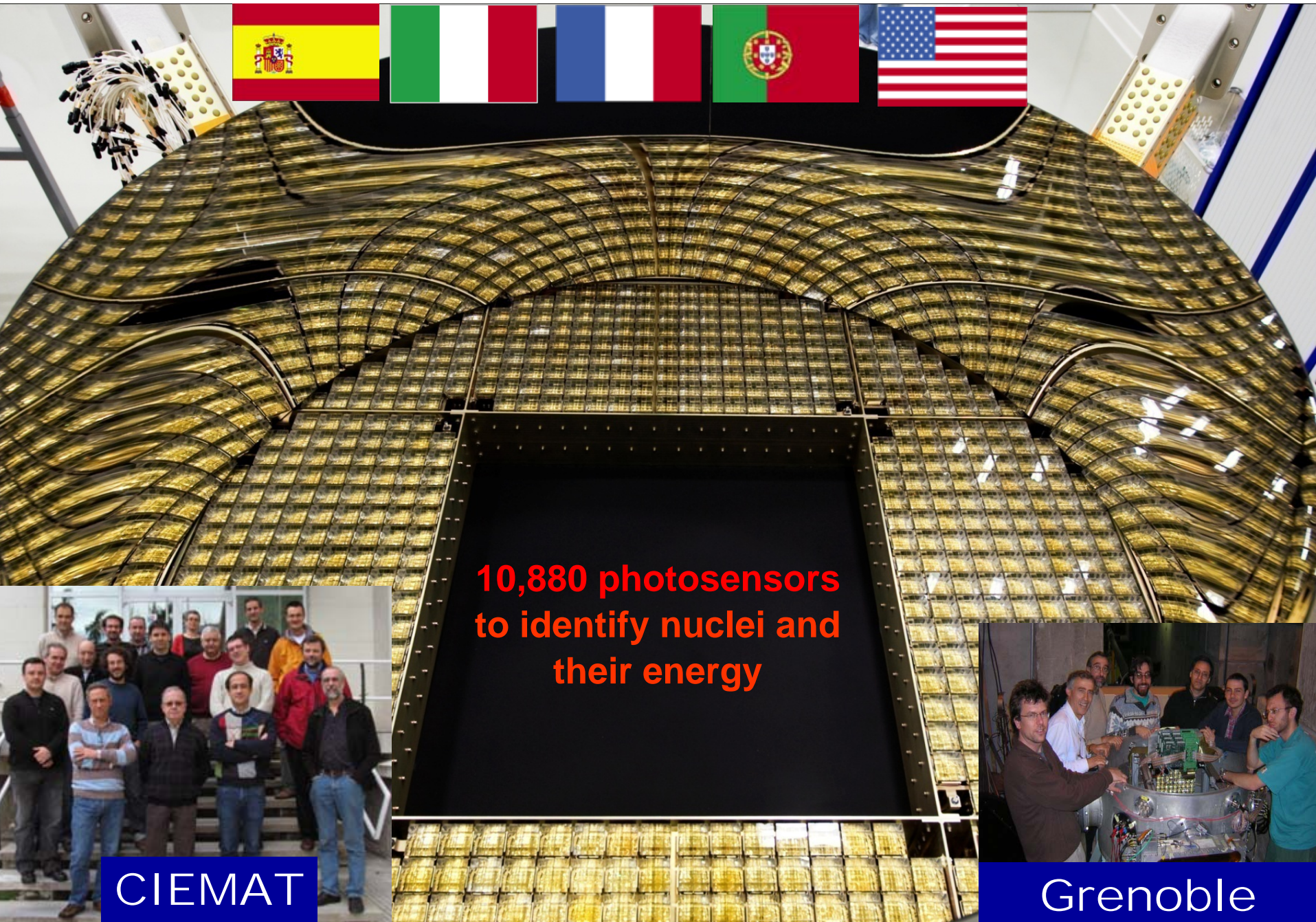
Red line: CO₂ gas/liquid two phase

Blue line: CO₂ liquid phase

Alignment accuracy of the 9 Tracker layers over 18 months



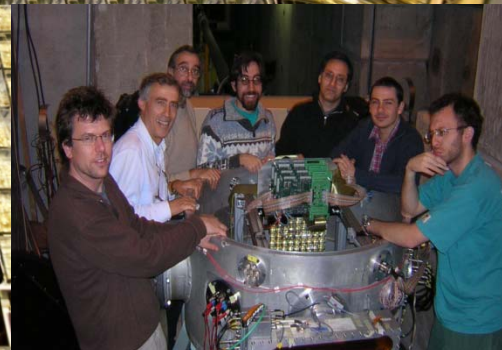
Ring Imaging Cherenkov (RICH)



10,880 photosensors
to identify nuclei and
their energy

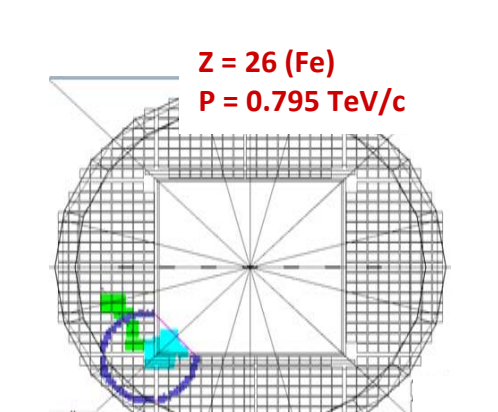
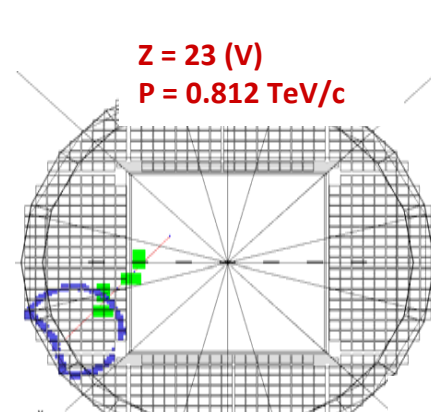
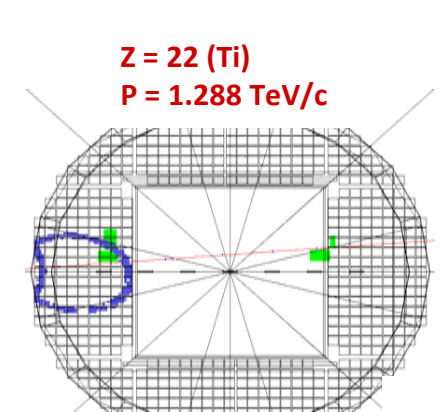
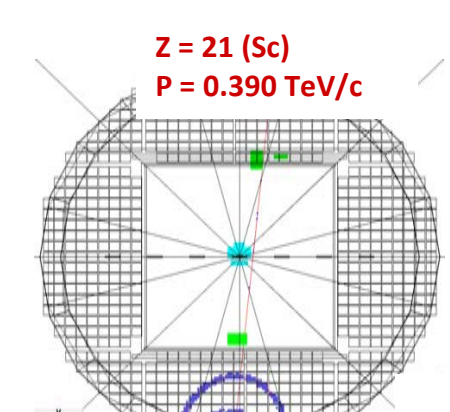
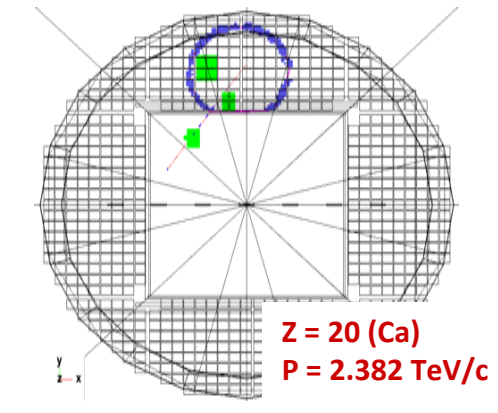
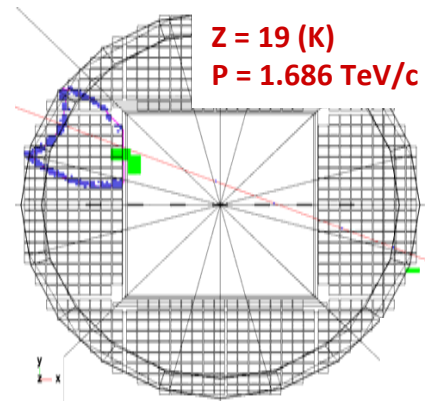
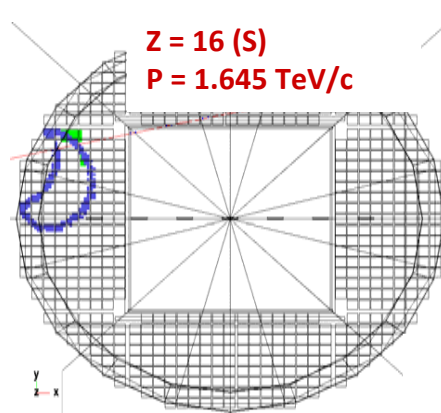
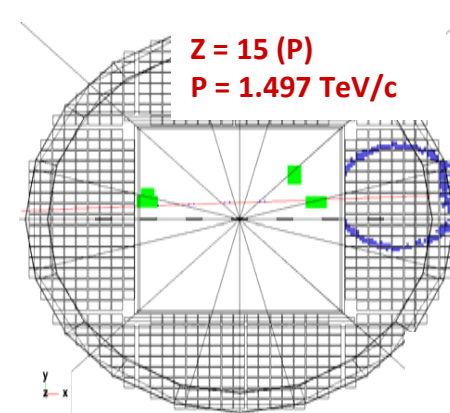
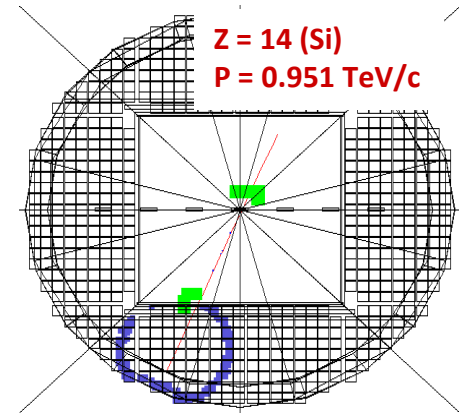
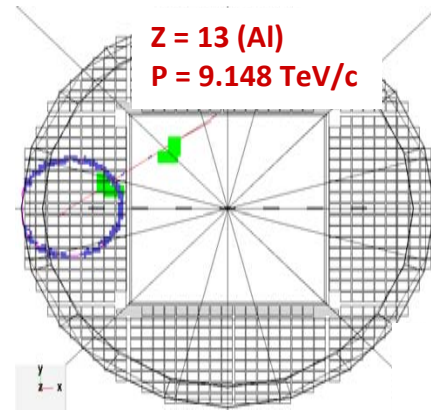
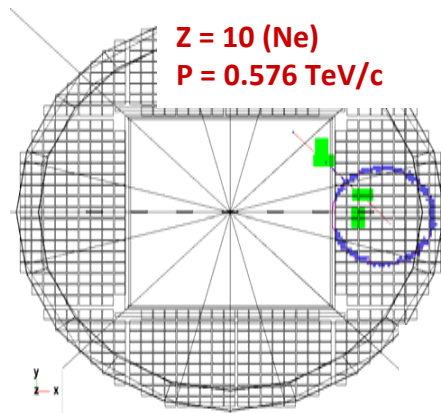
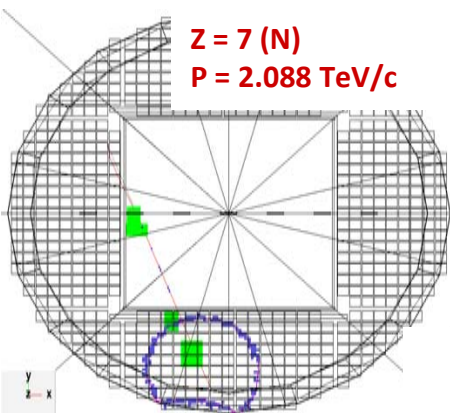


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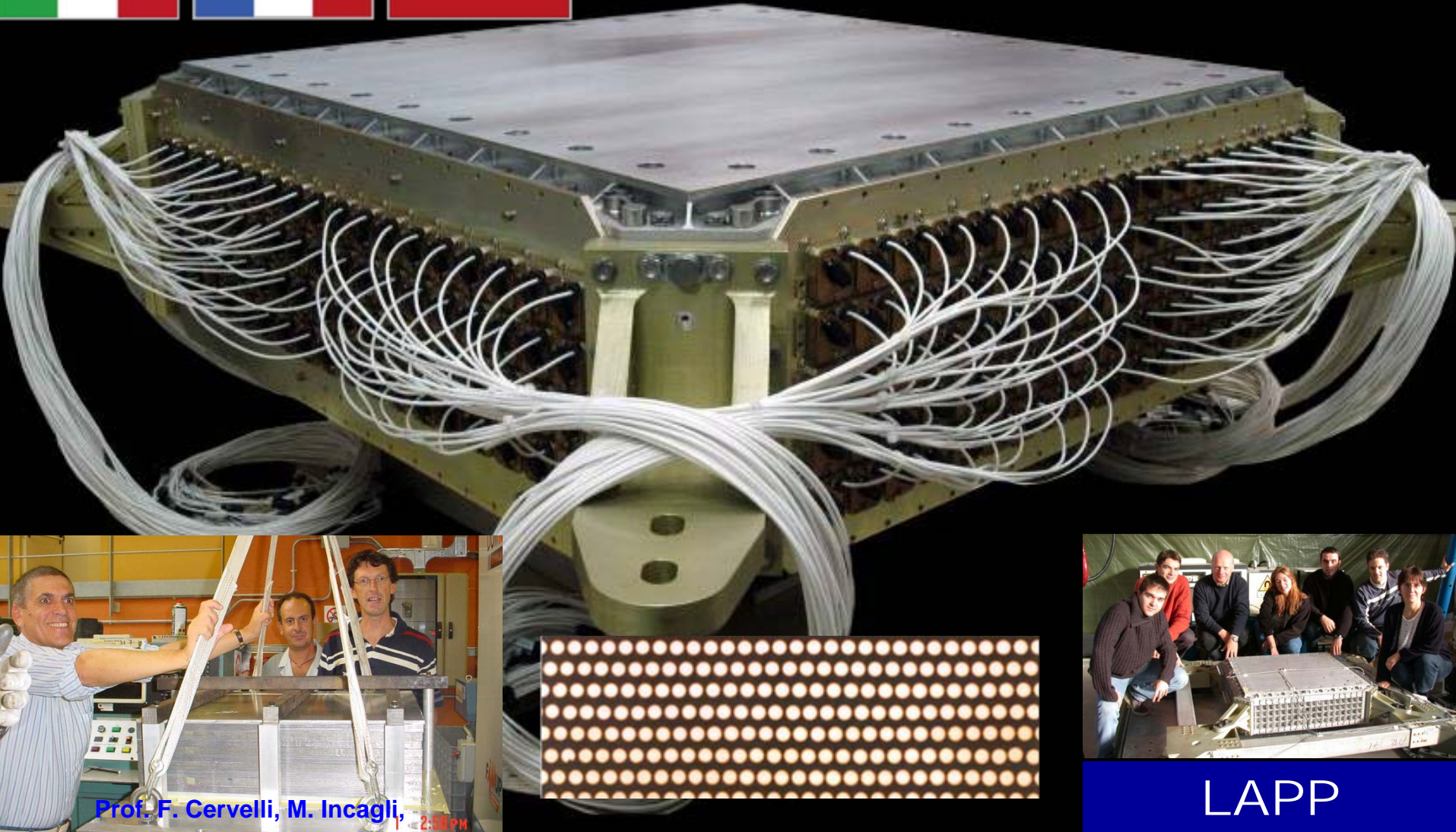
Grenoble

Detector performance on ISS RICH





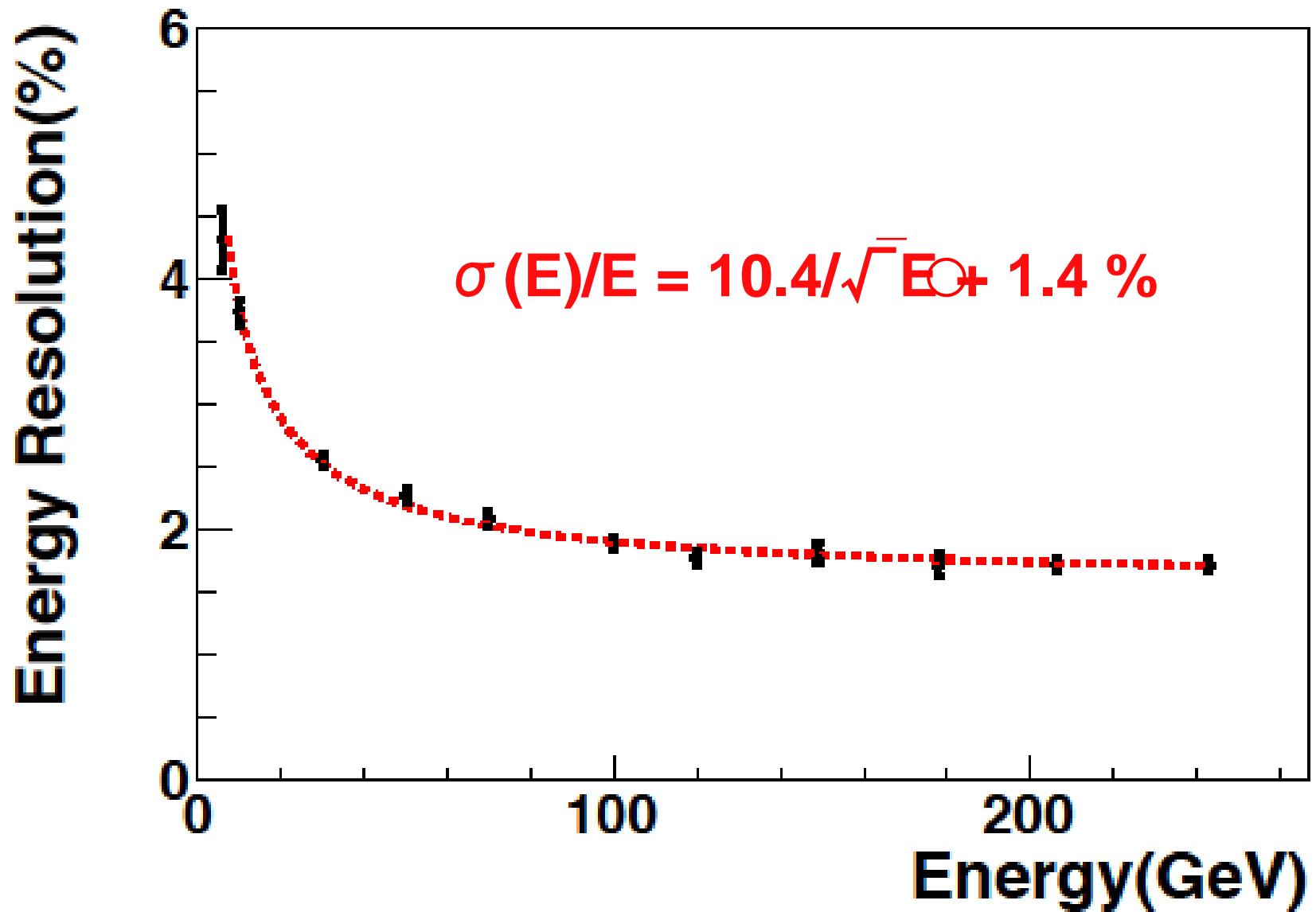
Calorimeter (ECAL)



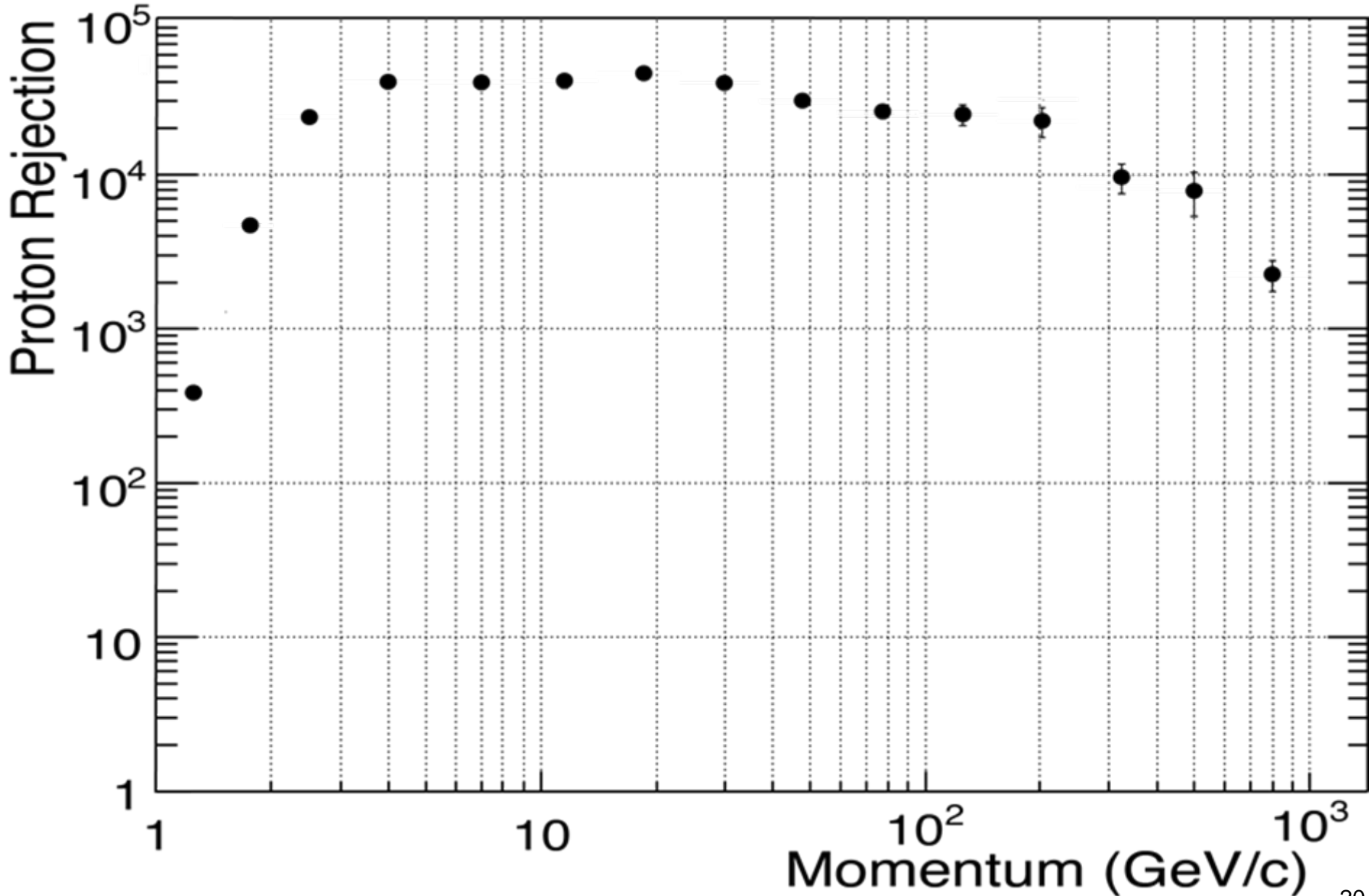
LAPP

50,000 fibers, $\phi = 1\text{mm}$, distributed uniformly inside 600 kg of lead which provides a precision, 3-dimensional, $17X_0$ measurement of the directions and energies of light rays and electrons up to 1 TeV

ECAL Performance



Data from ISS: Proton rejection using the ECAL





May 16, 2011



AMS today



AMS Operations



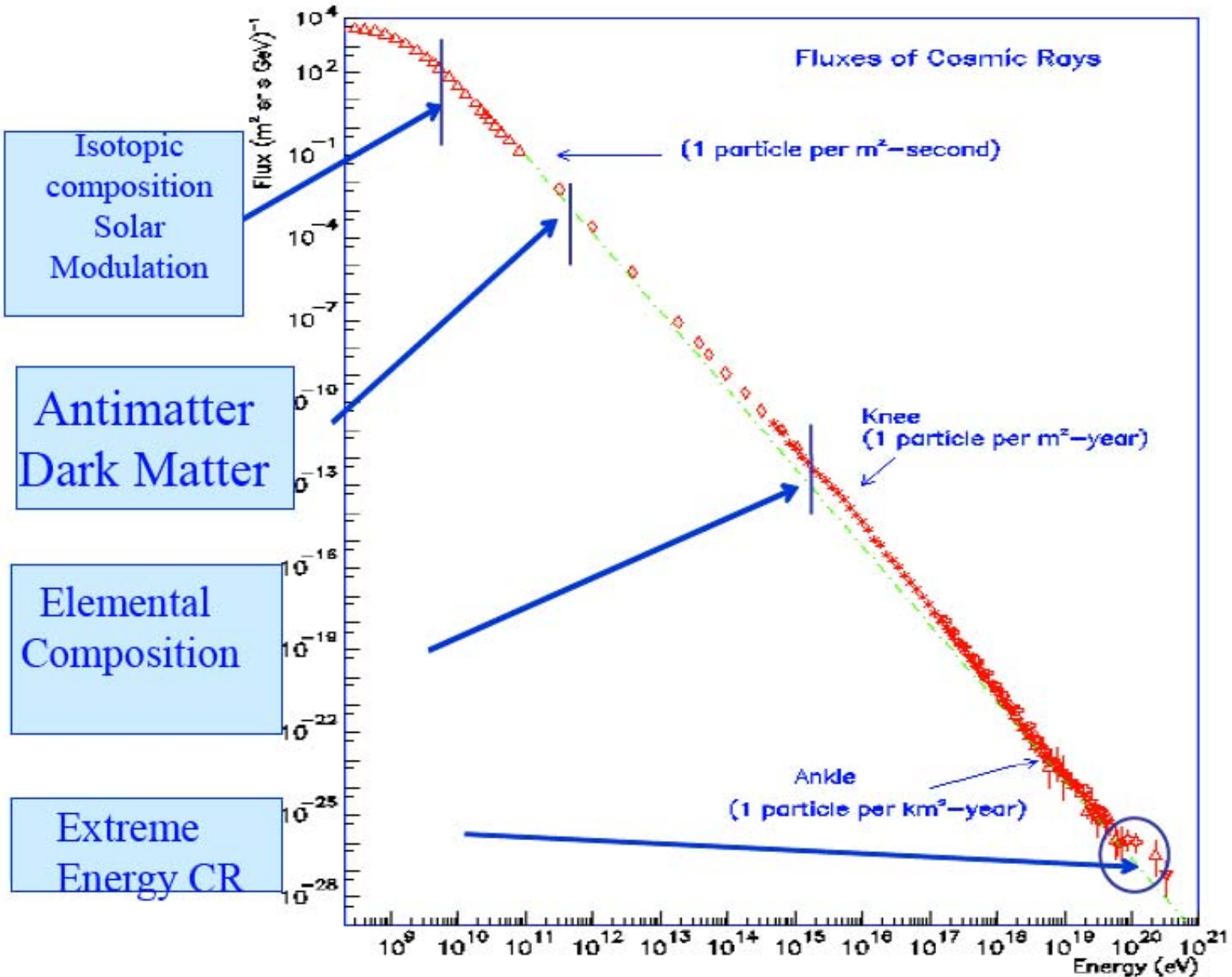
**24 hours
x 365 days
x 10-20 years**

White Sands, NM



**Payload Operations Control
Center at CERN**

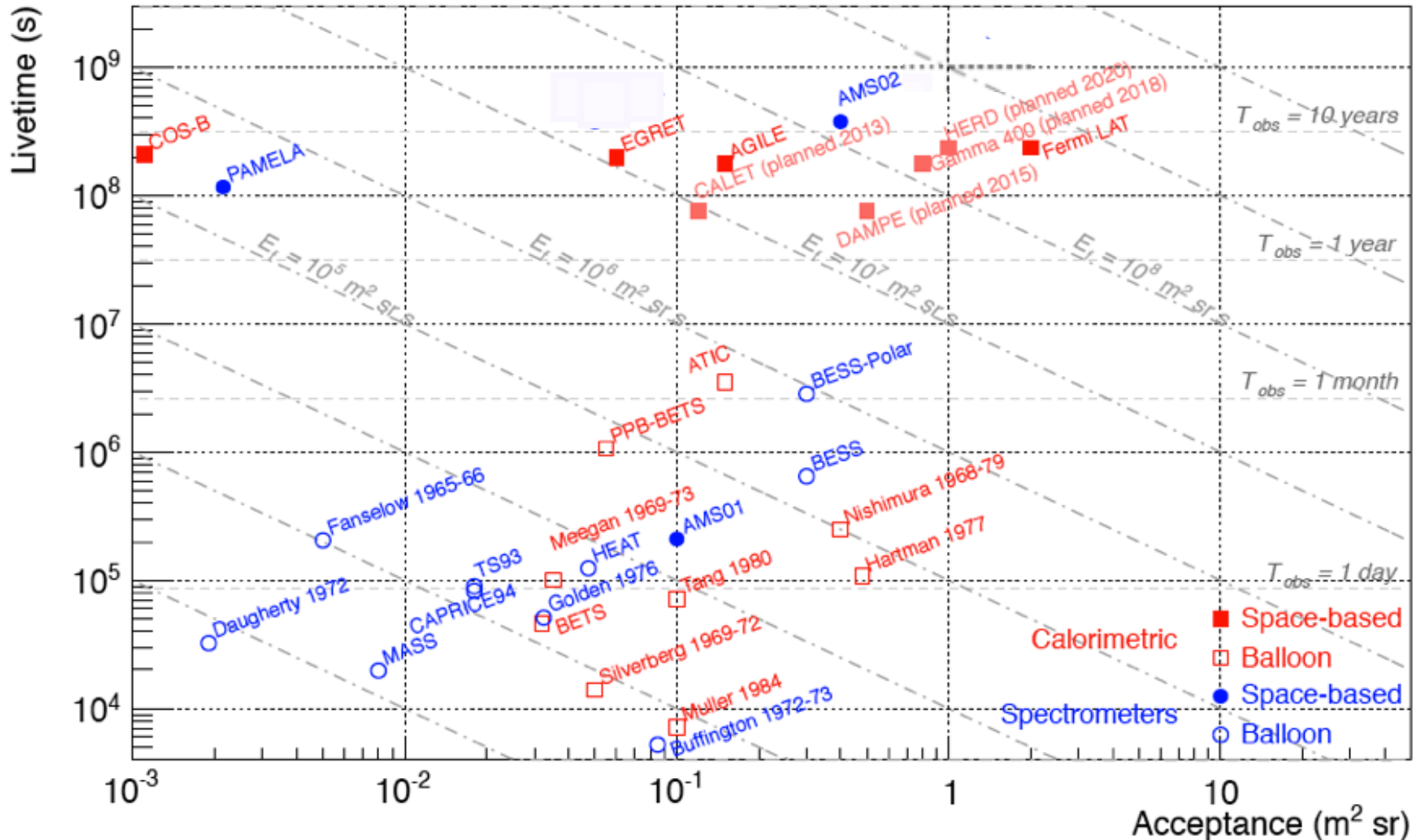
Fluxes of Cosmic Rays



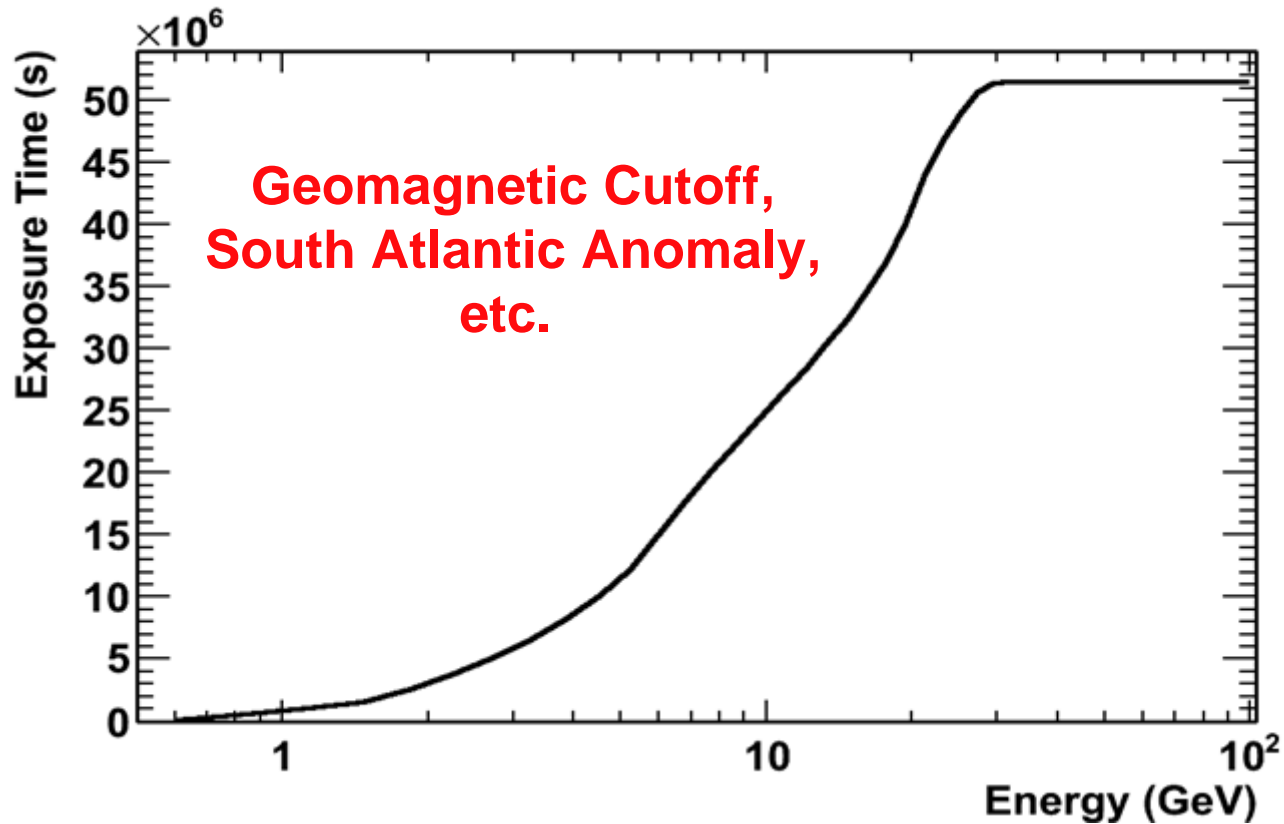
AMS

Physics results

A Large Magnetic Spectrometer in Space : a game changing for the study of Cosmic Ray



Results from the first 2 years of AMS



Average live time = 82 %

Data analysis in AMS (2 years of data)

AMS is a very precise particle physics detector.

Precision physics results require attention to detail and a large analysis effort.

The data are analysed by two independent AMS international teams.

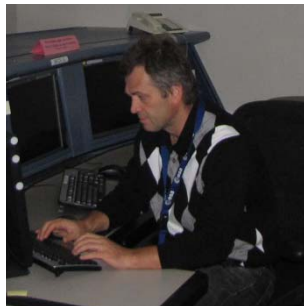
Example: the positron fraction paper

Group A

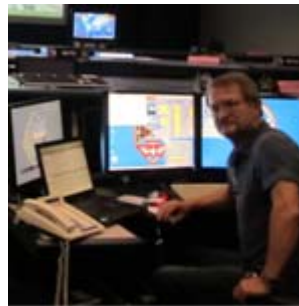
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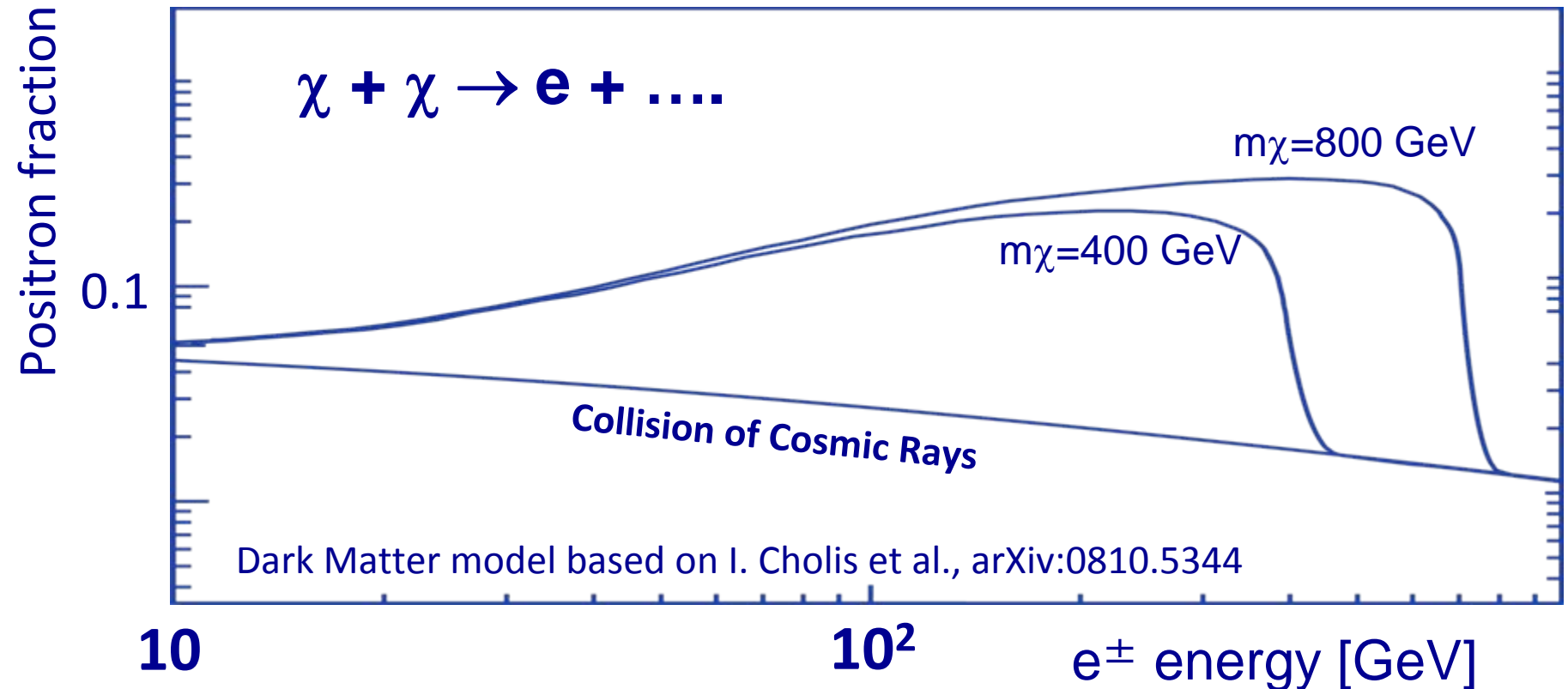
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Physics results (ICRC 2013)

1. $e^+/(e^+ + e^-)$ ratio and anisotropy
2. Proton spectrum
3. Helium spectrum
4. Electron Spectrum
5. Positron Spectrum
6. All electron spectrum
6. Boron-to-Carbon ratio

Physics of Positron Fraction: $e^+ / (e^+ + e^-)$

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In the first 1.5 years in space, AMS has collected over 25 billion events.

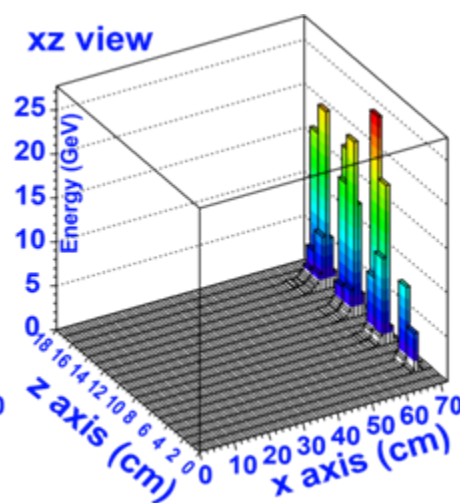
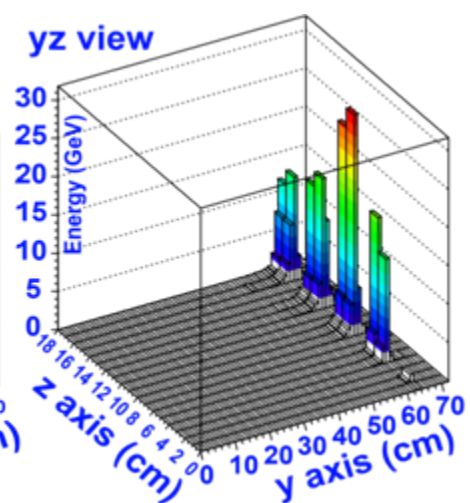
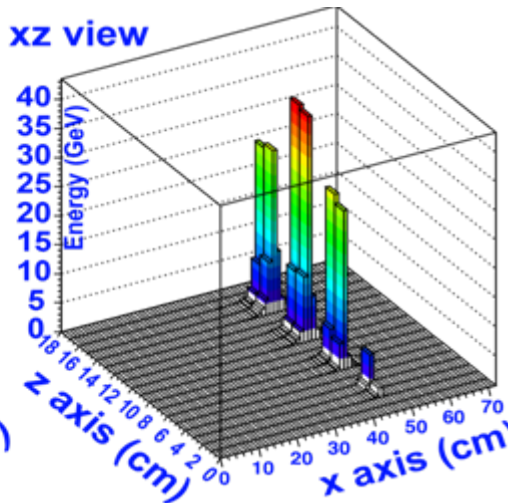
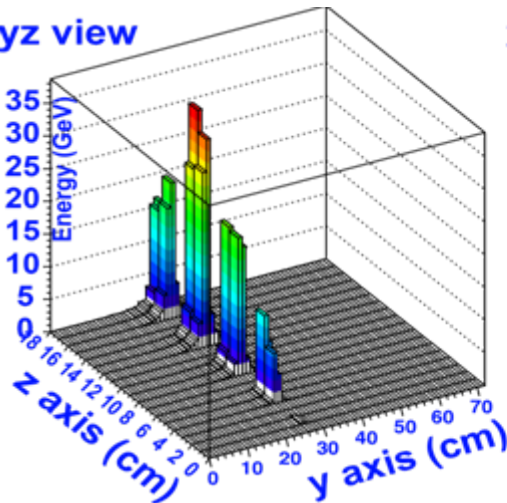
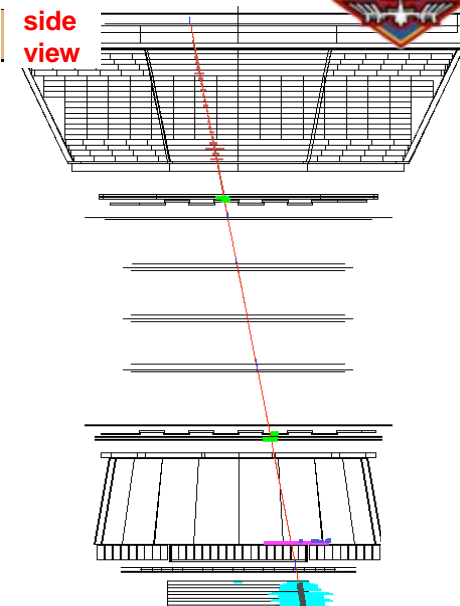
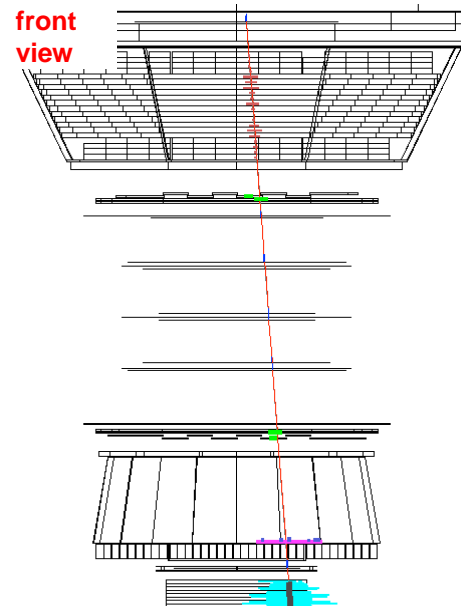
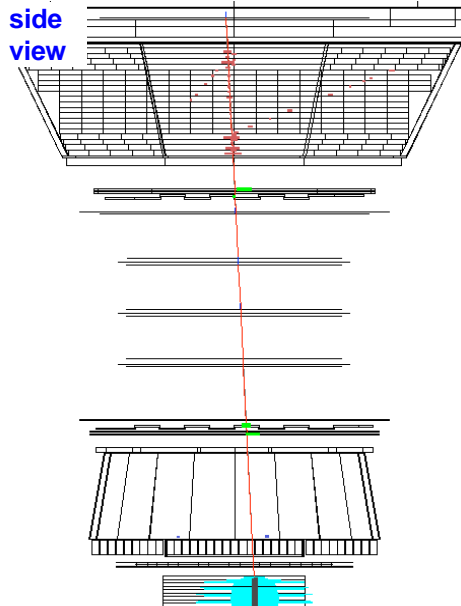
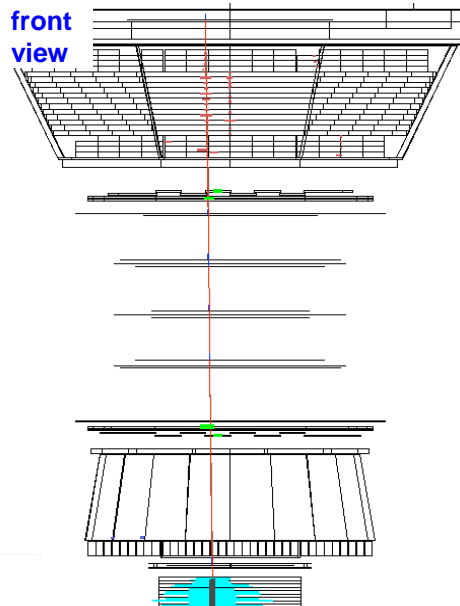
6.8 million are electrons or positrons.

Electron E=982 GeV

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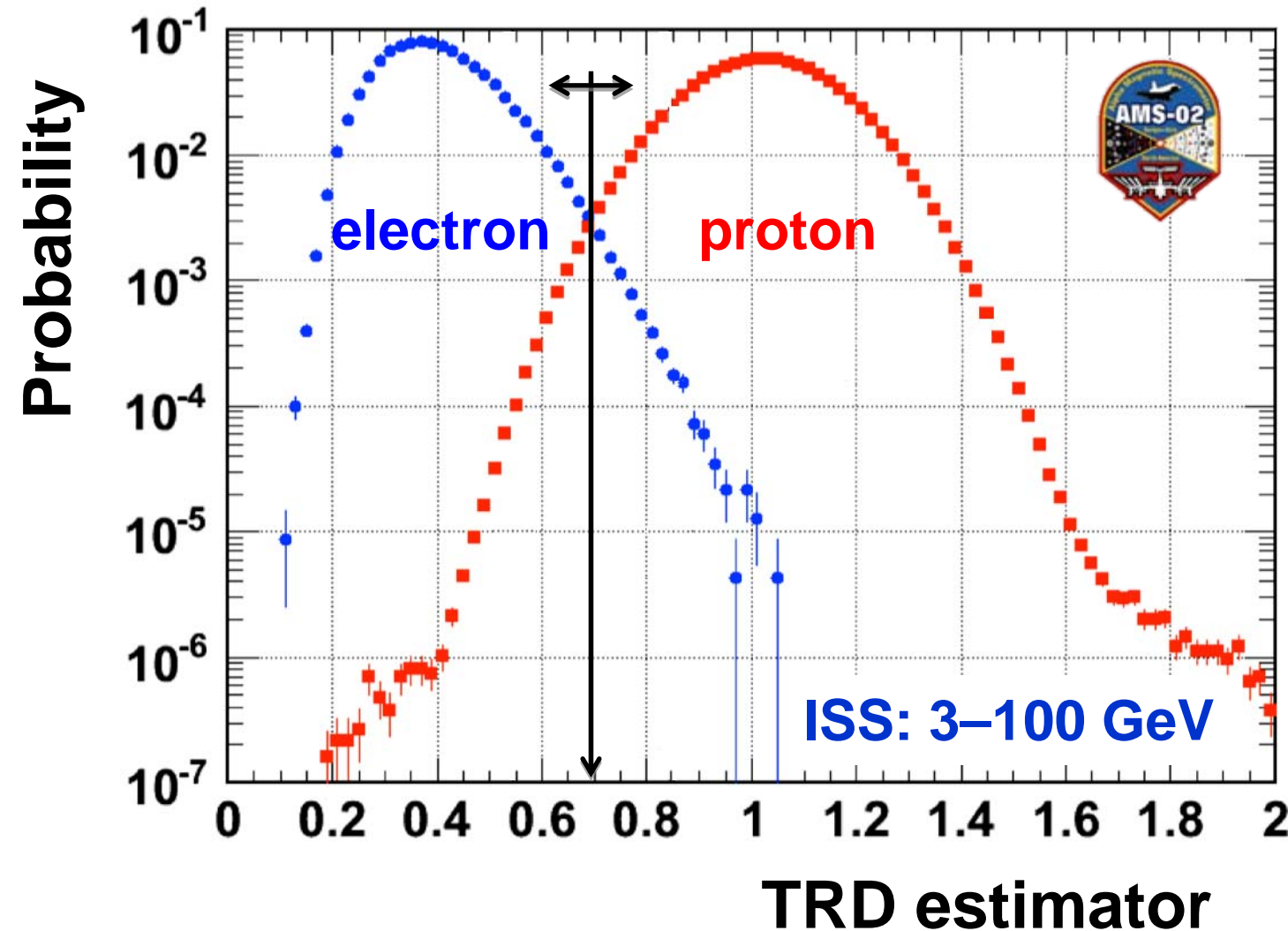
Positron E=636 GeV

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TRD performance on ISS

$$\text{TRD estimator} = -\ln(P_e/(P_e+P_p))$$



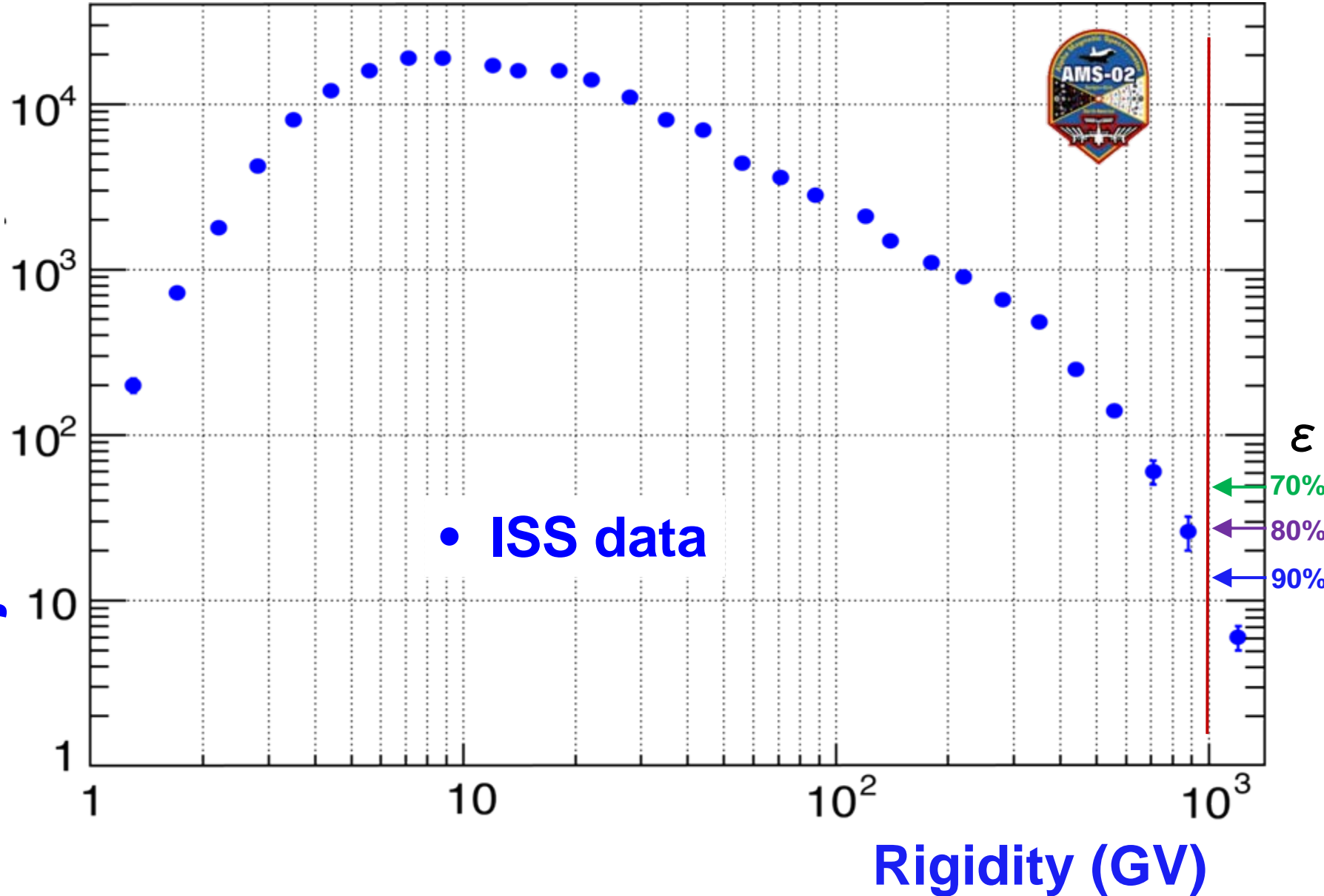
Normalized probabilities
 P_e and P_p

$$P_e = \sqrt[n]{\prod_i P_e^{(i)}(A)}$$

$$P_p = \sqrt[n]{\prod_i P_p^{(i)}(A)}$$

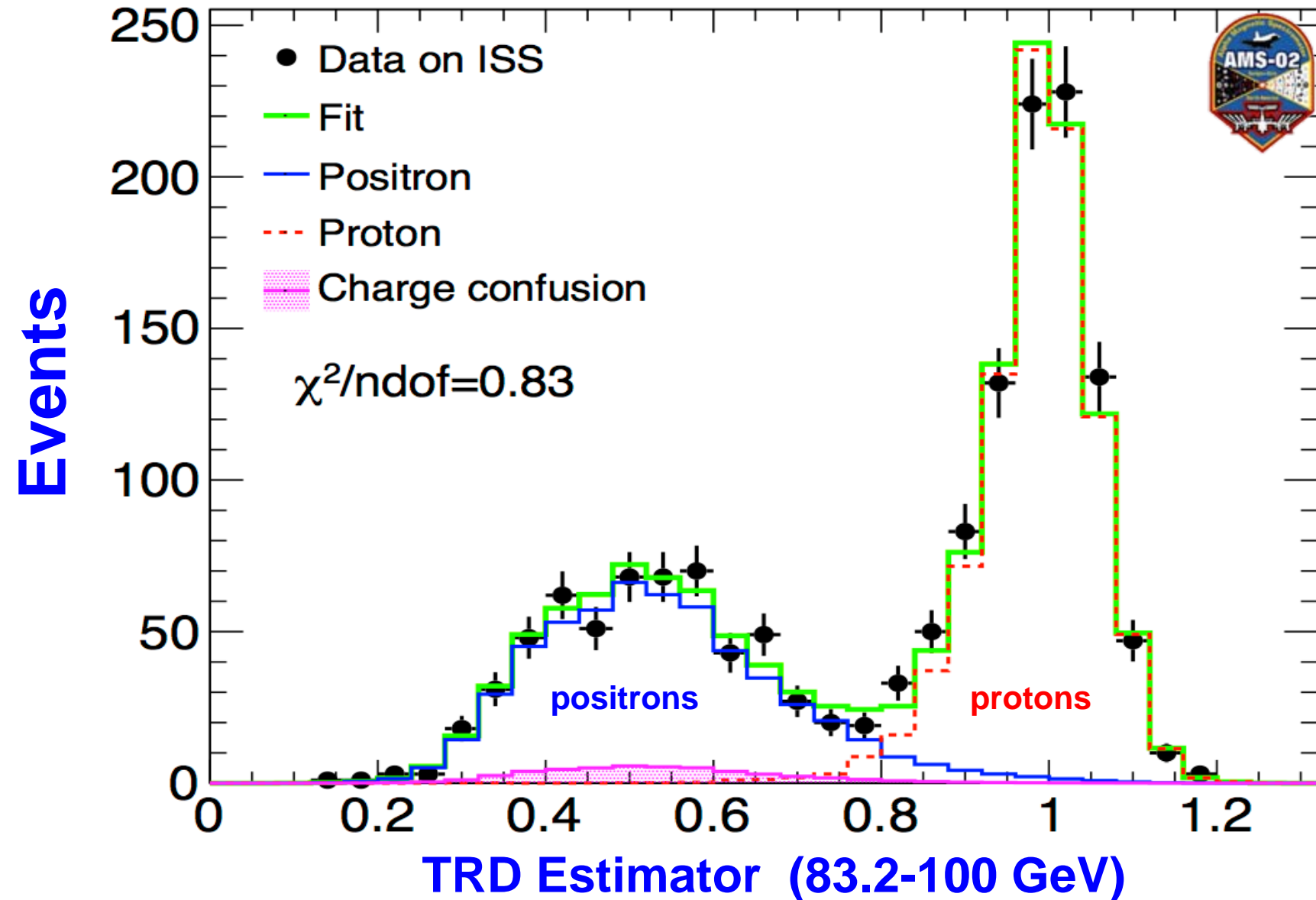
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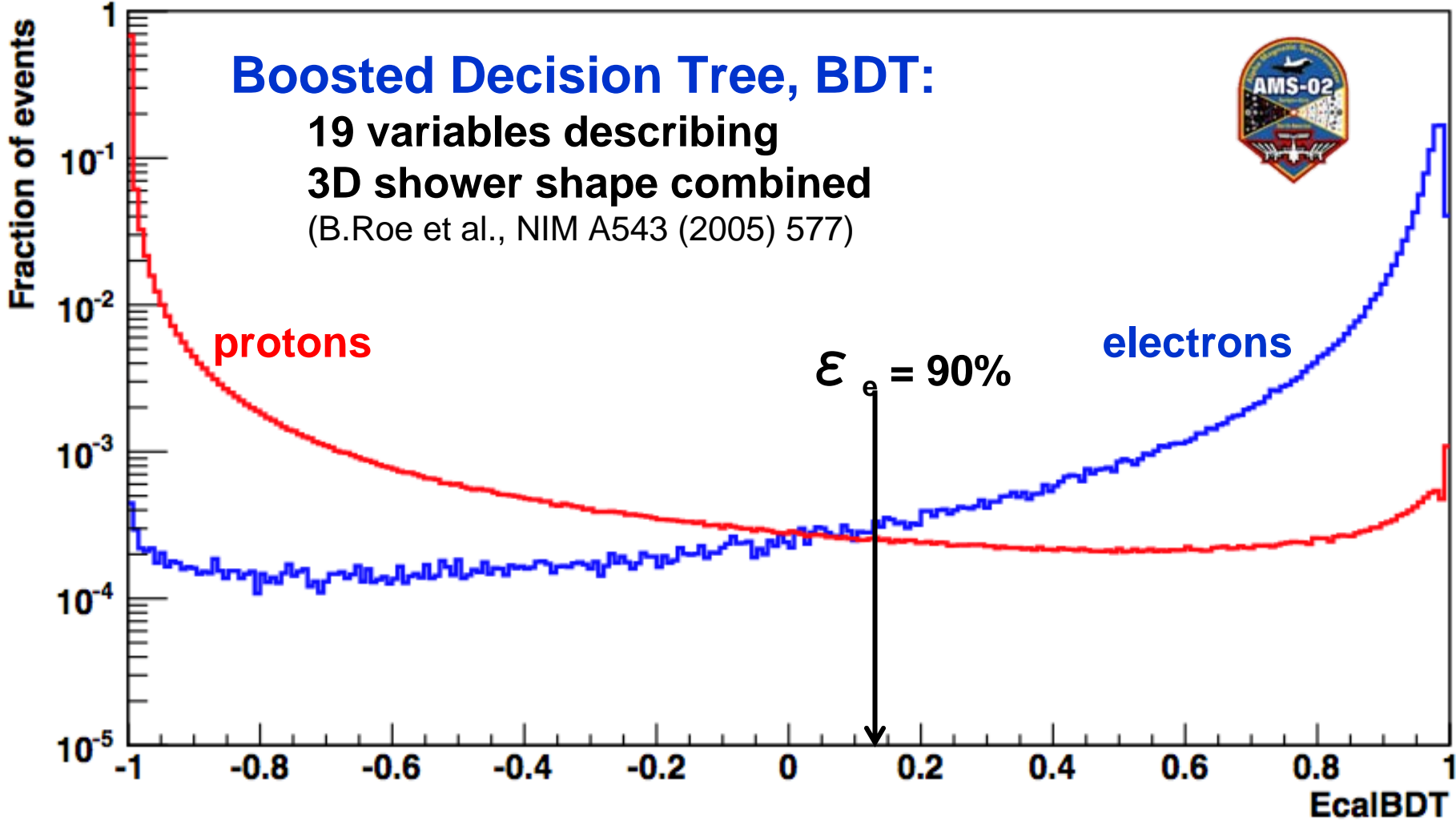
Results of the fit:

The TRD Estimator shows clear separation between **protons** and positrons with a small **charge confusion** background

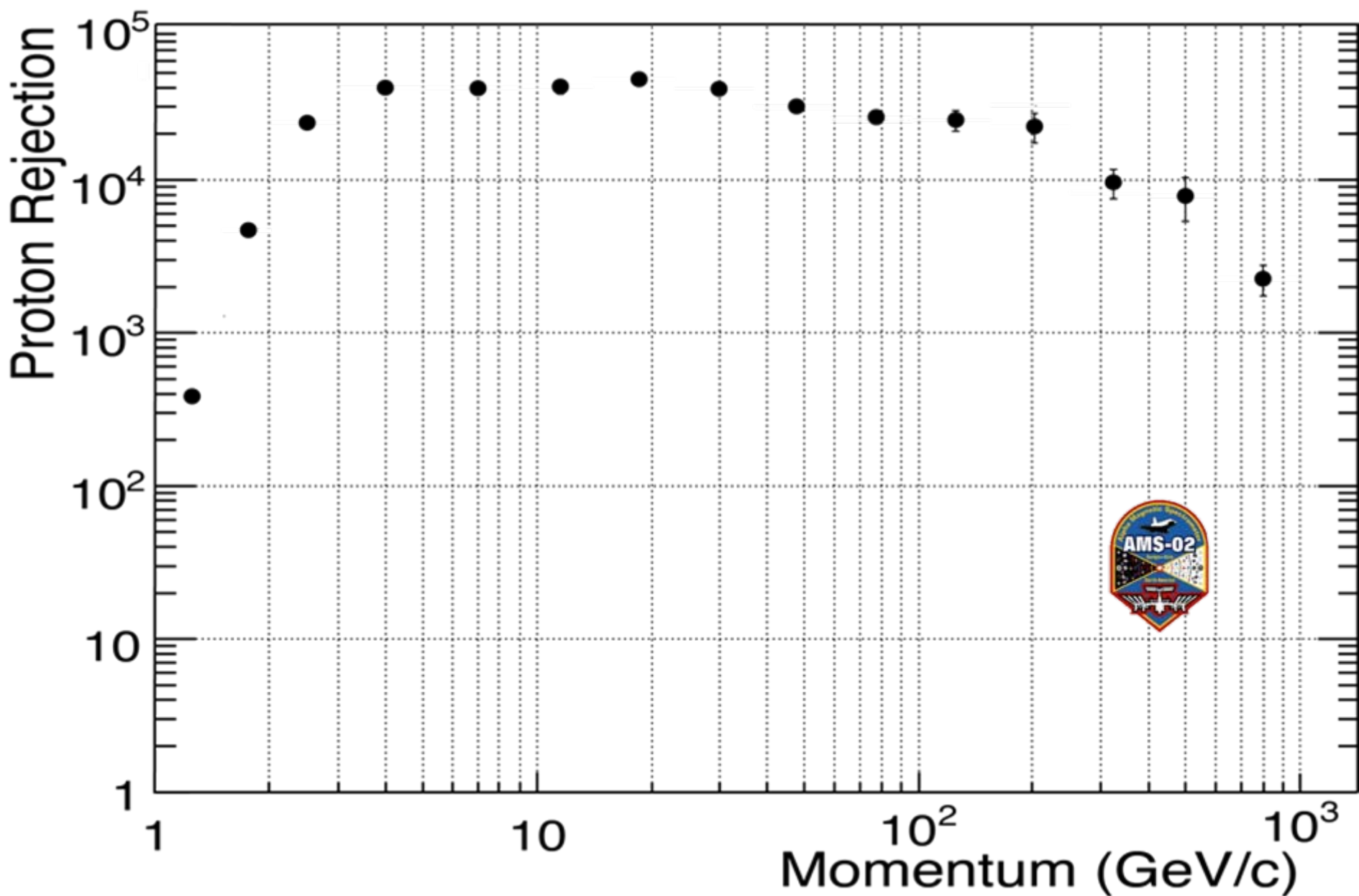


Separation of protons and electrons with ECAL

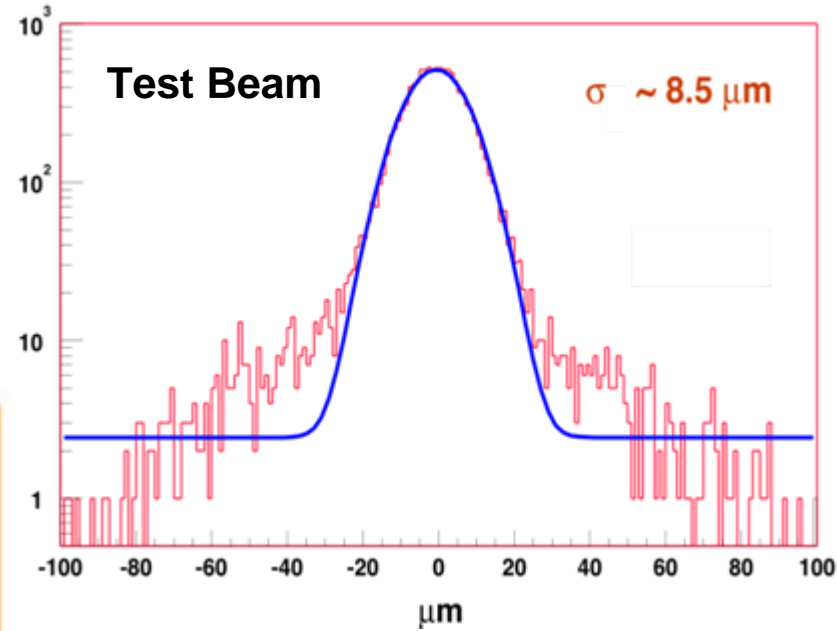
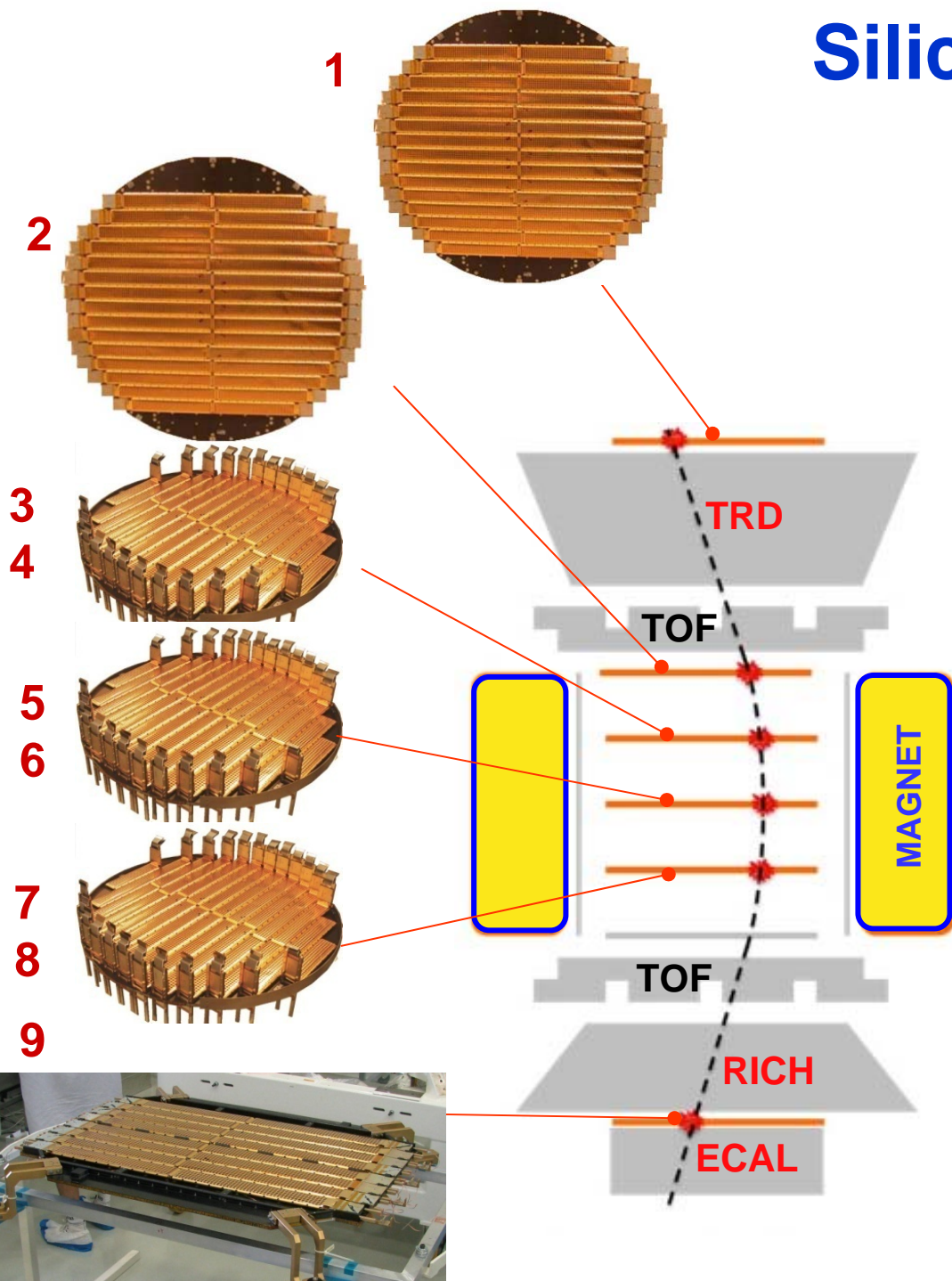
ISS data: 83–100 GeV



Data from ISS: Proton rejection using the ECAL

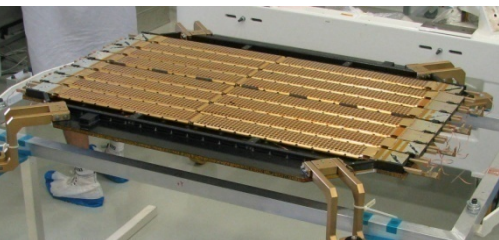


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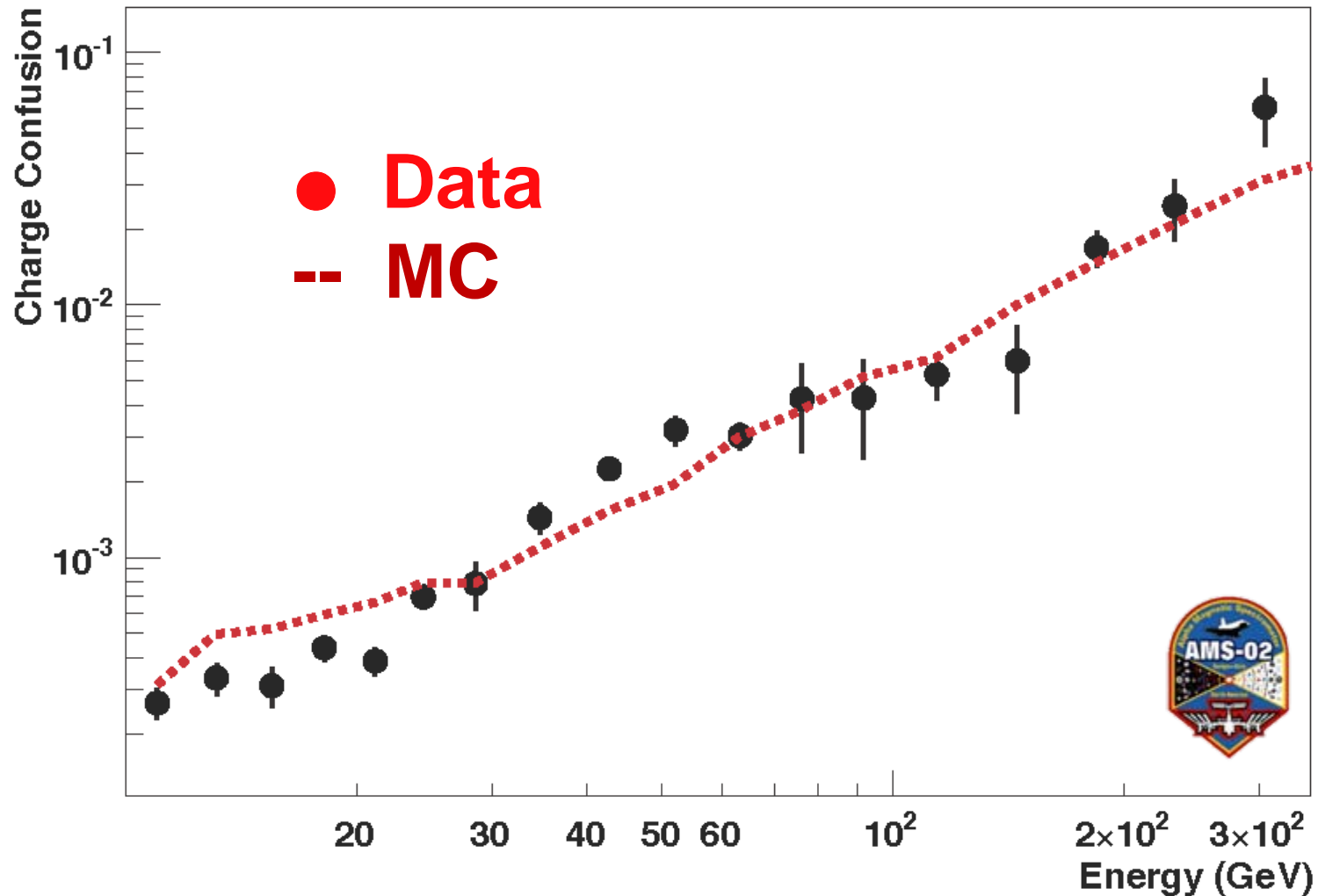


MDR $\sim 2.0 \text{ TV}$

$E / |p|$ matching



Systematic error on the positron fraction: e[±]- Charge confusion



Two sources: large angle scattering and production of secondary tracks along the path of the primary track. Both are well reproduced by MC. Systematic errors correspond to variations of these effects within their statistical limits.

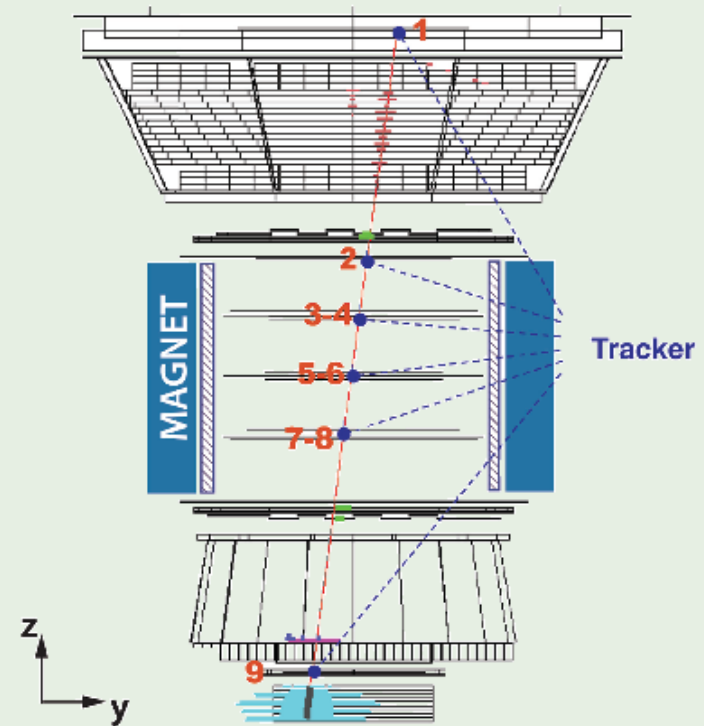
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AMS-02 (6.8 million e^+ , e^- events)

The positron fraction is steadily increasing from 10 to ~250 GeV
From 20 to 250 GeV, the slope decreases by an order of magnitude
No structure in the spectrum

Positron fraction

10^{-1}

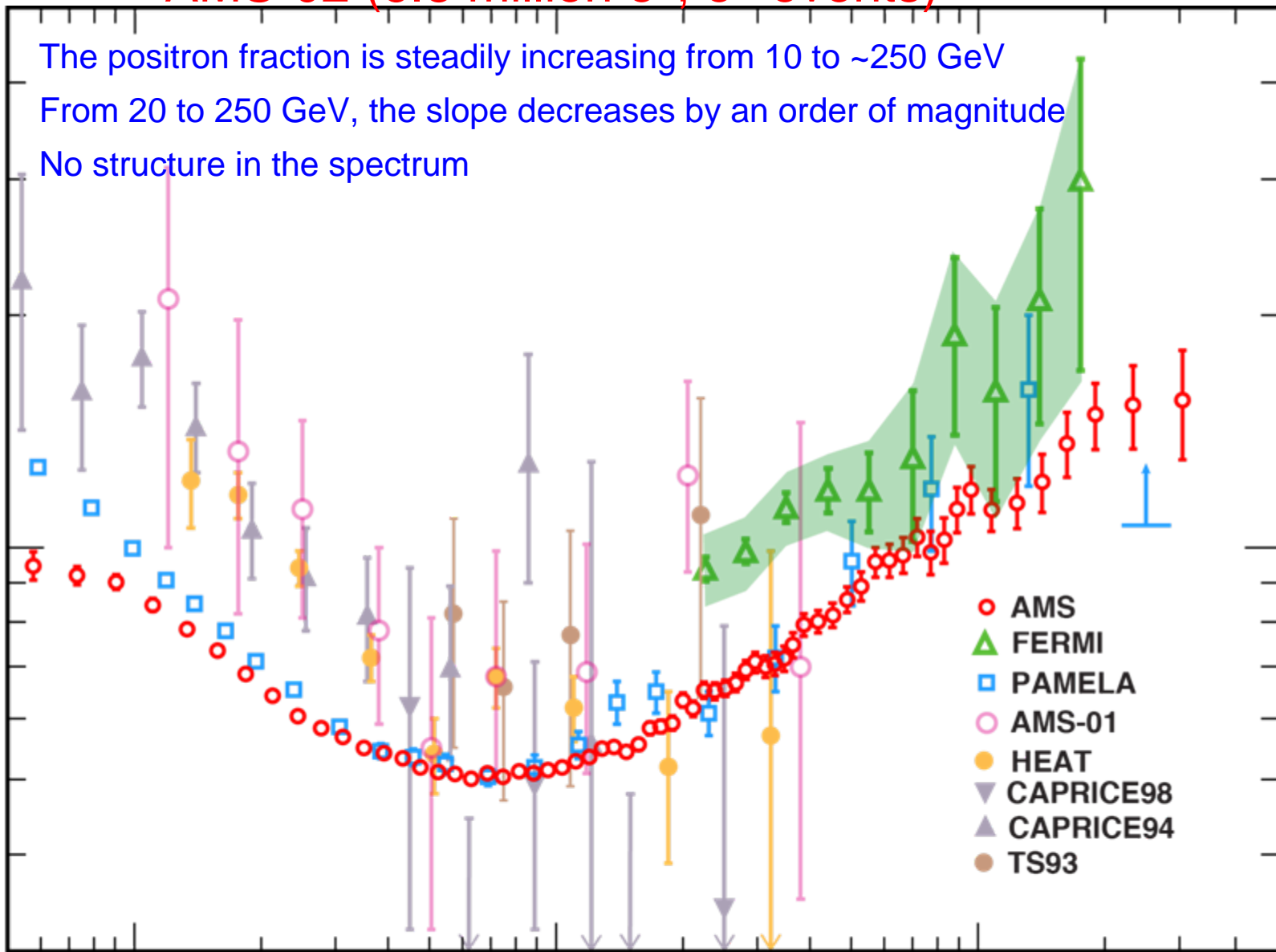
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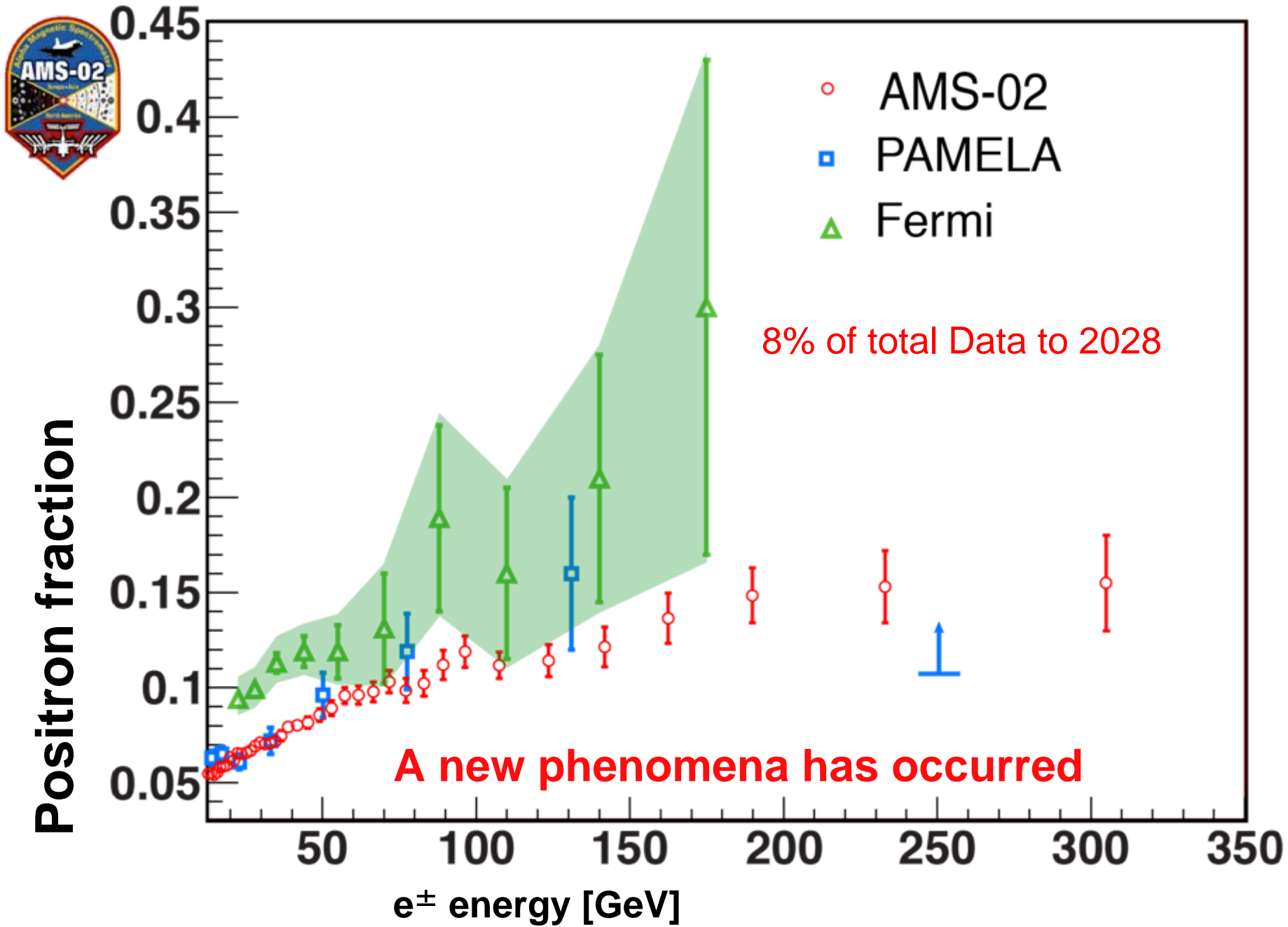
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positron, electron energy [GeV]

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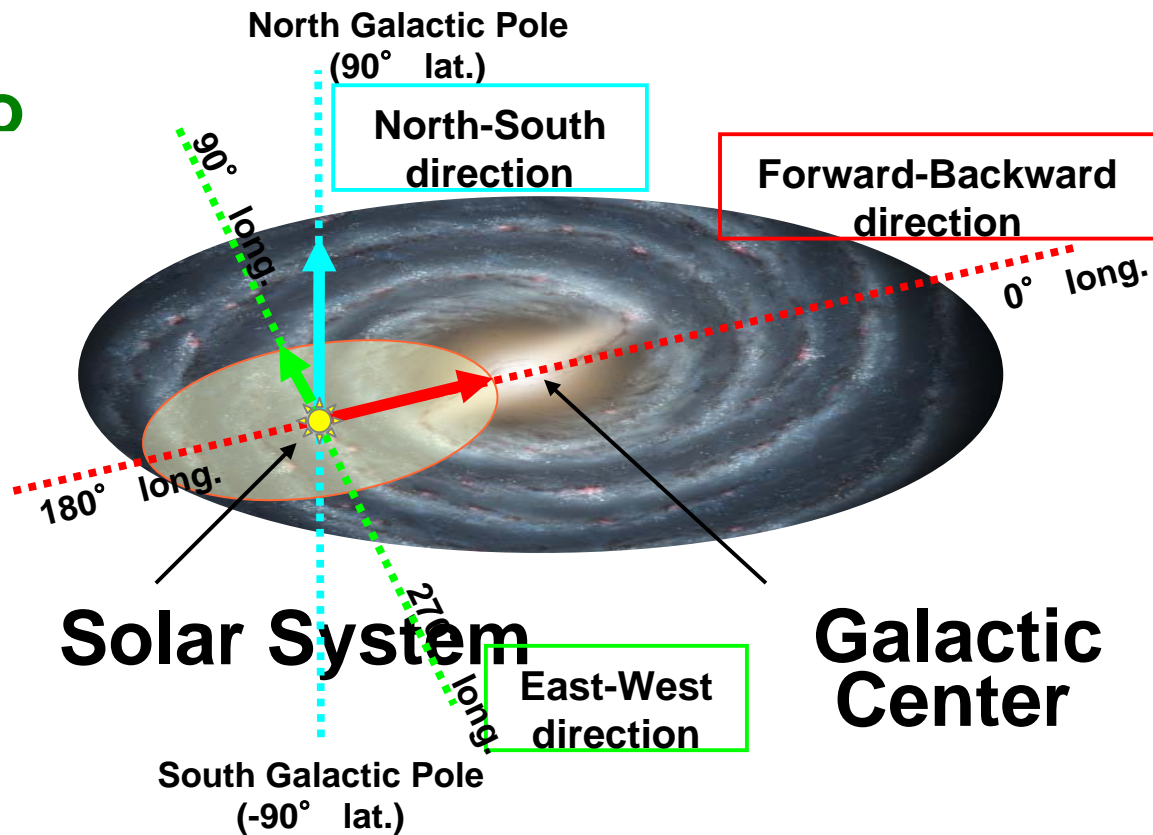




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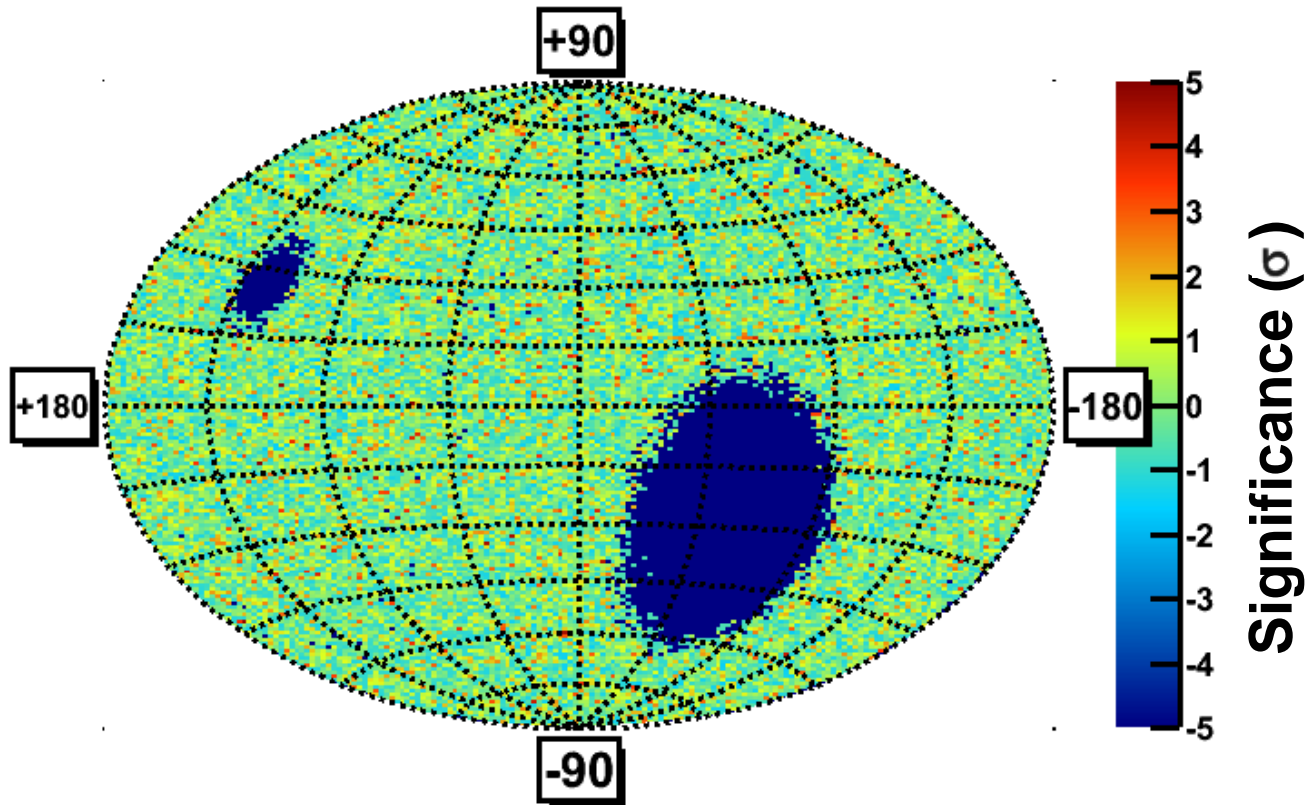
**Selected events are grouped into
5 cumulative energy bins:
16-350, 25-350, 40-350, 65-350
and 100-350 GeV.**

**Their arrival
directions are used to
build sky maps in
galactic coordinates,
+e /o,, containing the
number of observed
positrons and
electrons**



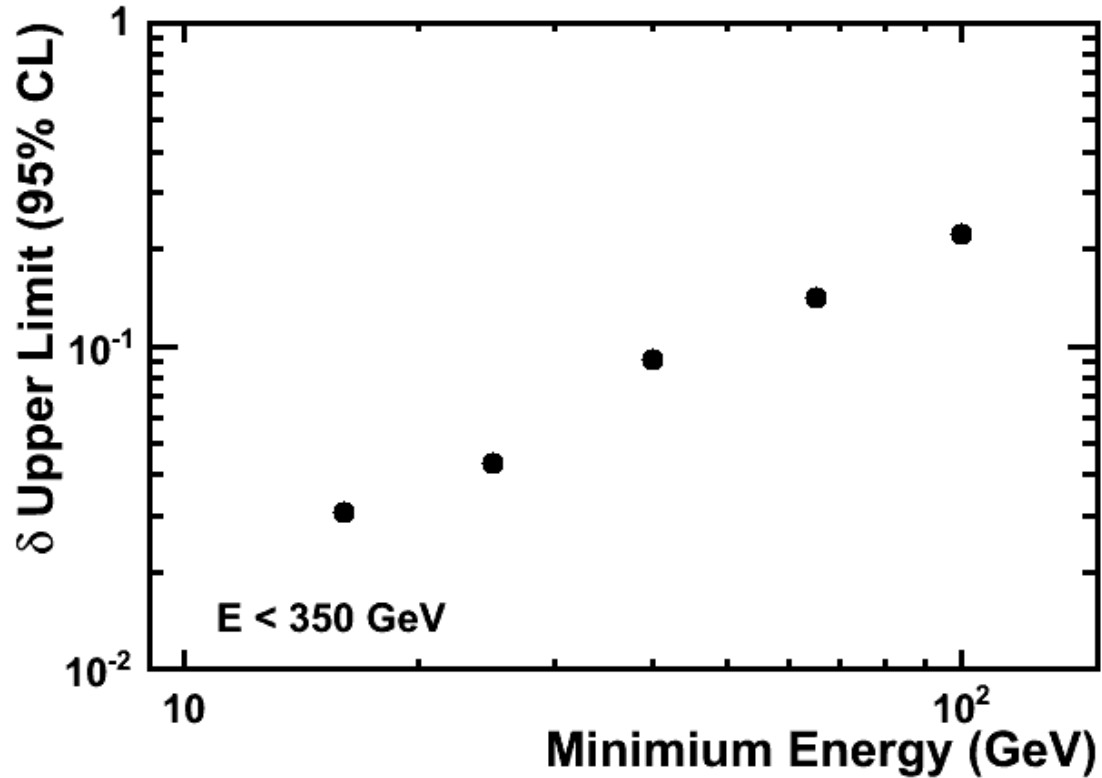


The relative fluctuations of the positron ratio, e^+/e^- , across the observed sky map show no evident pattern





AMS upper limits on δ at the 95% CL

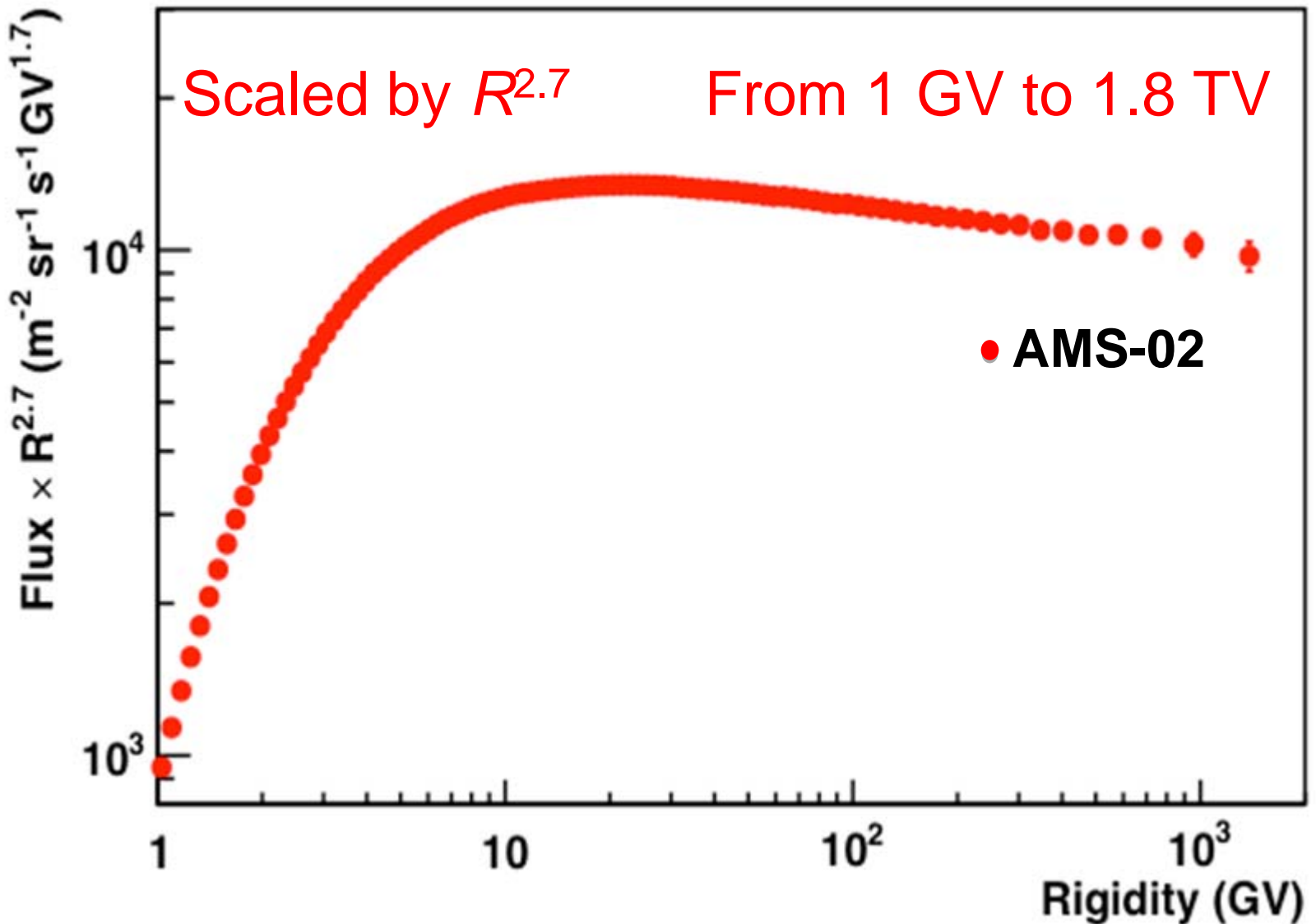


$\delta < 0.030$ for $16 < E < 350 \text{ GeV}$



New results from AMS

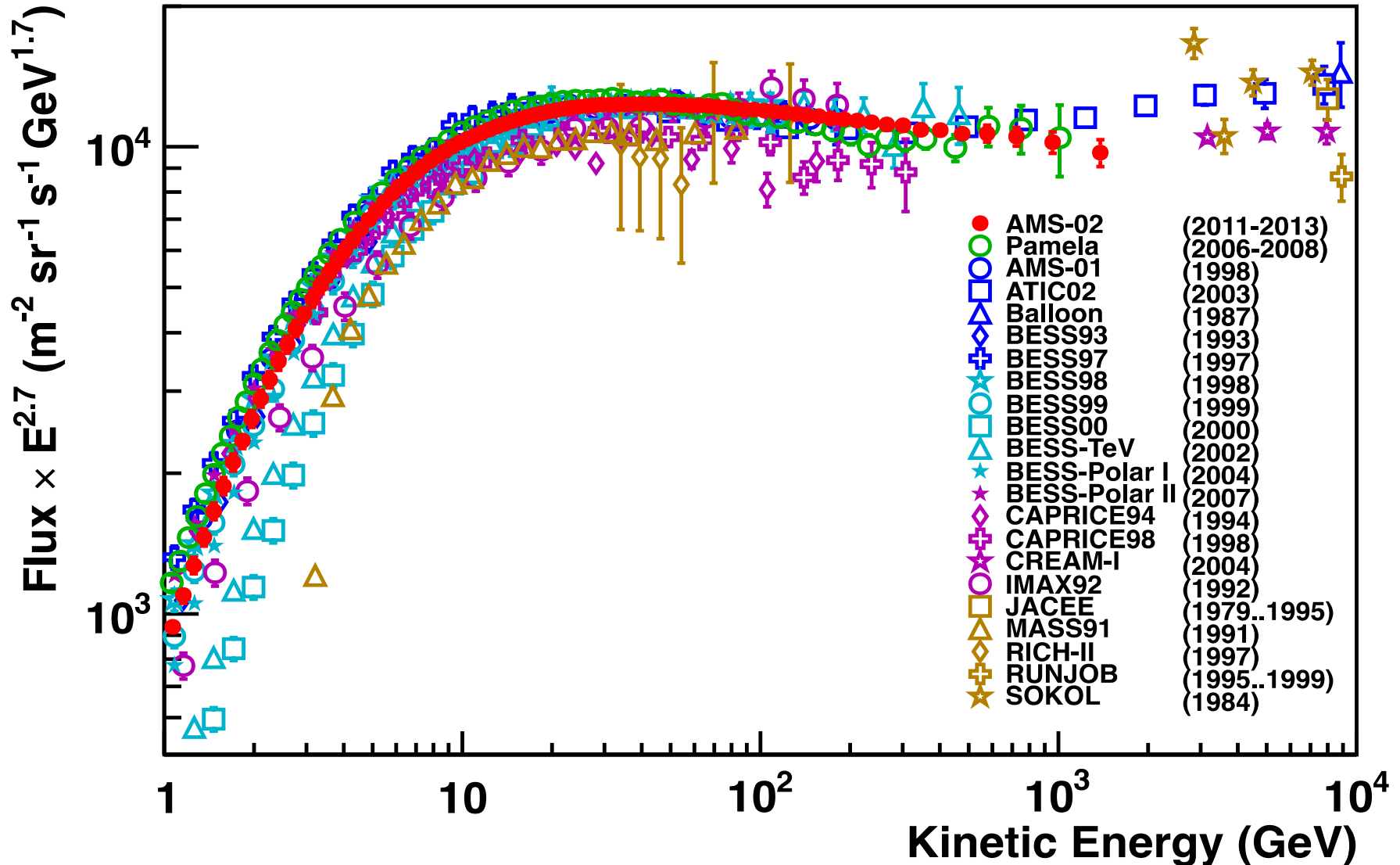
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Proton flux

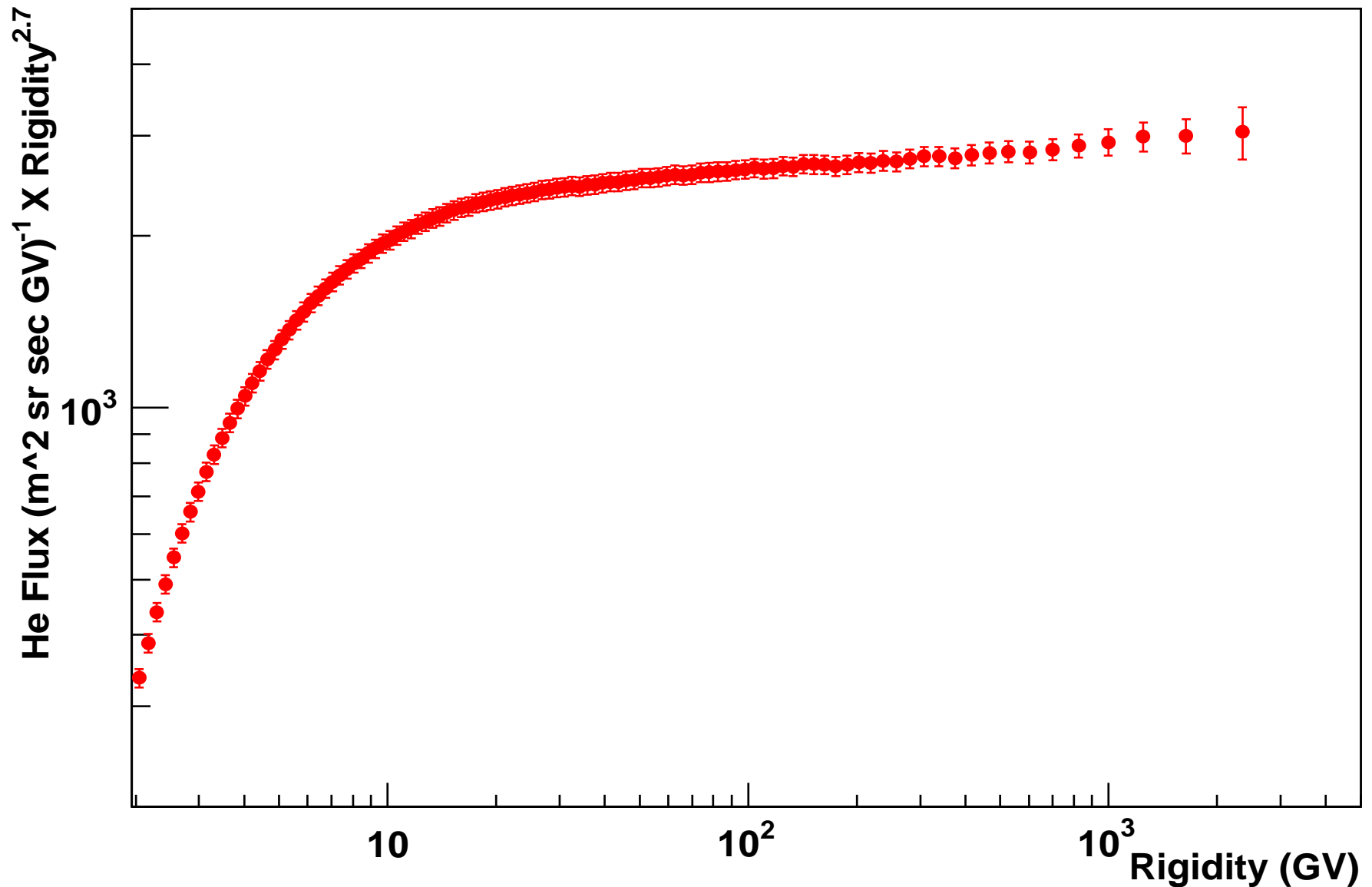
Comparison with past measurements





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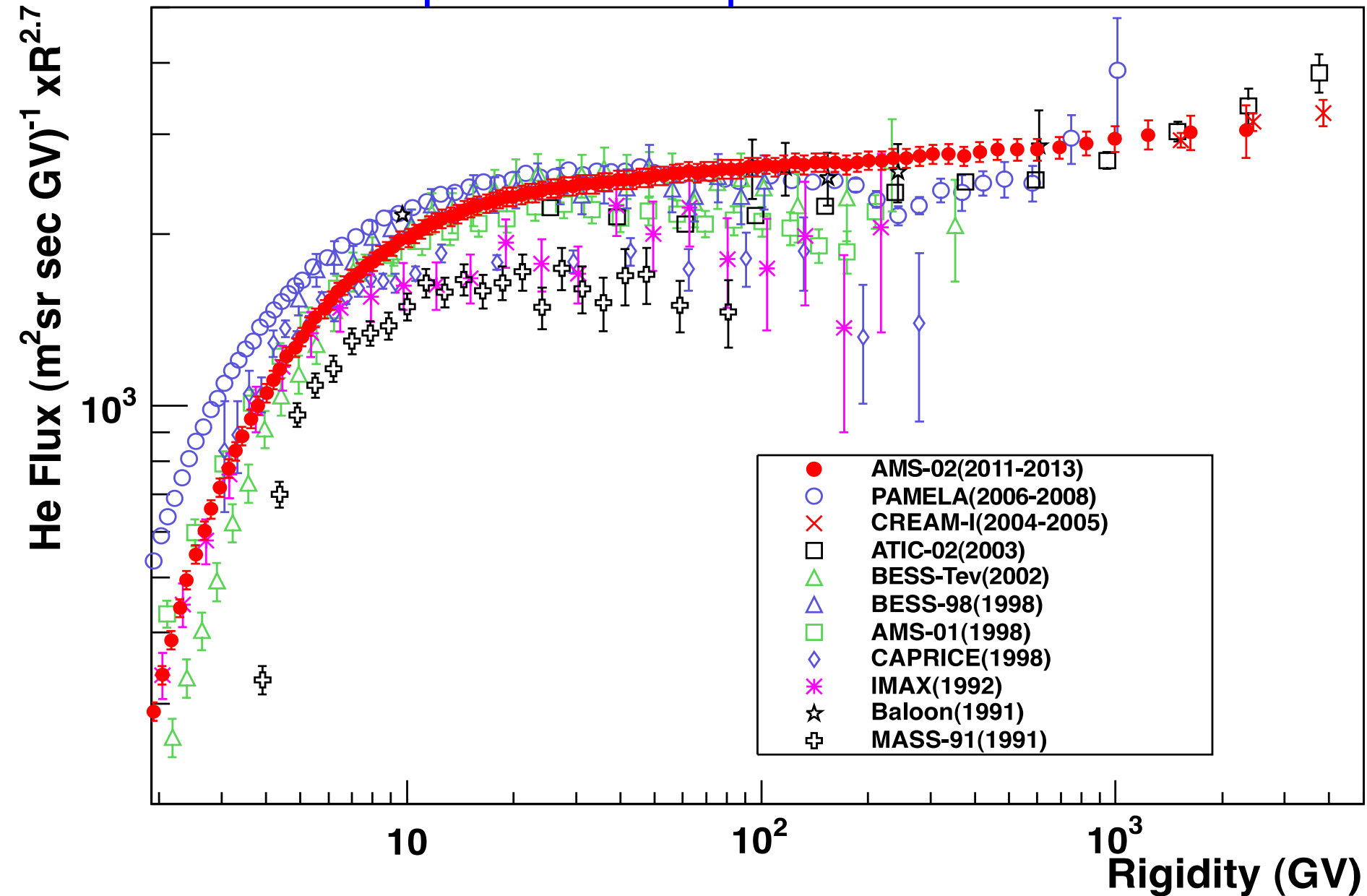
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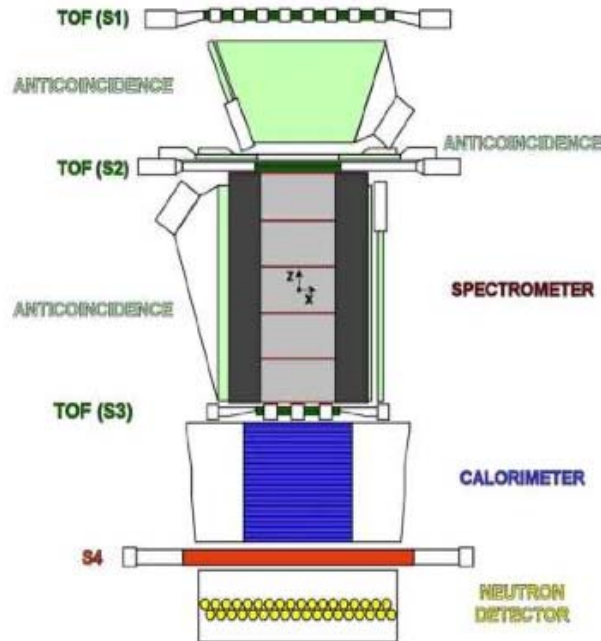
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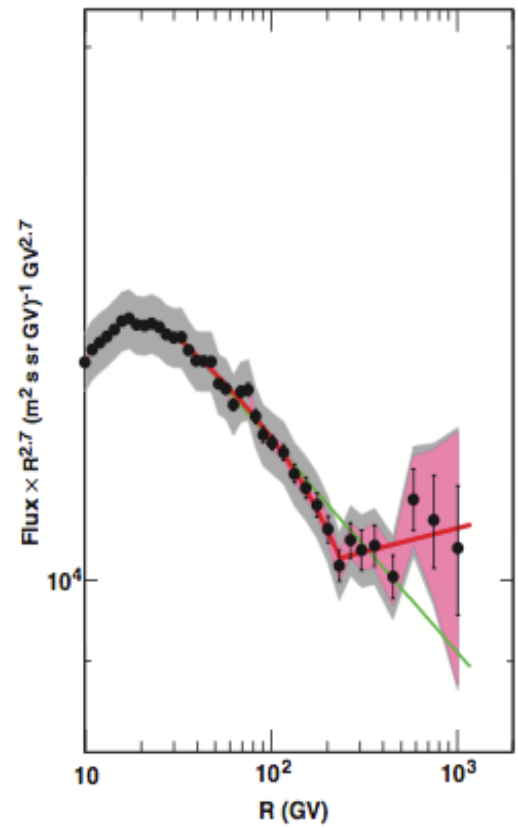


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Proton



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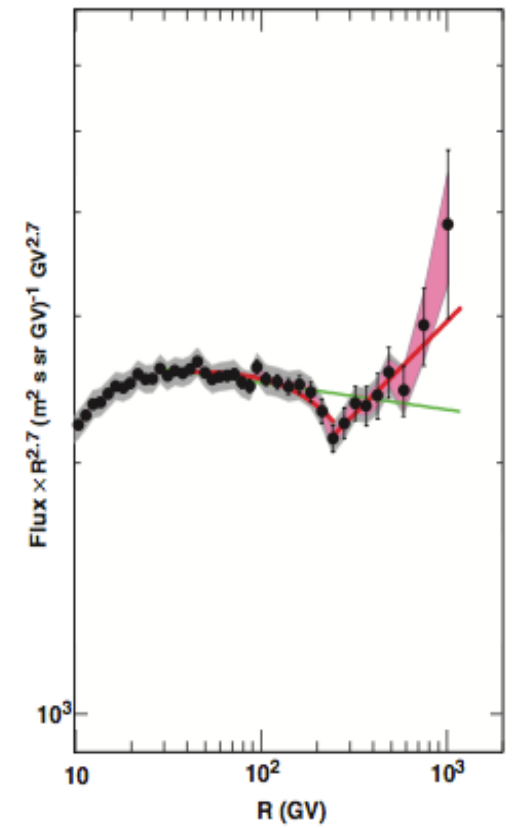
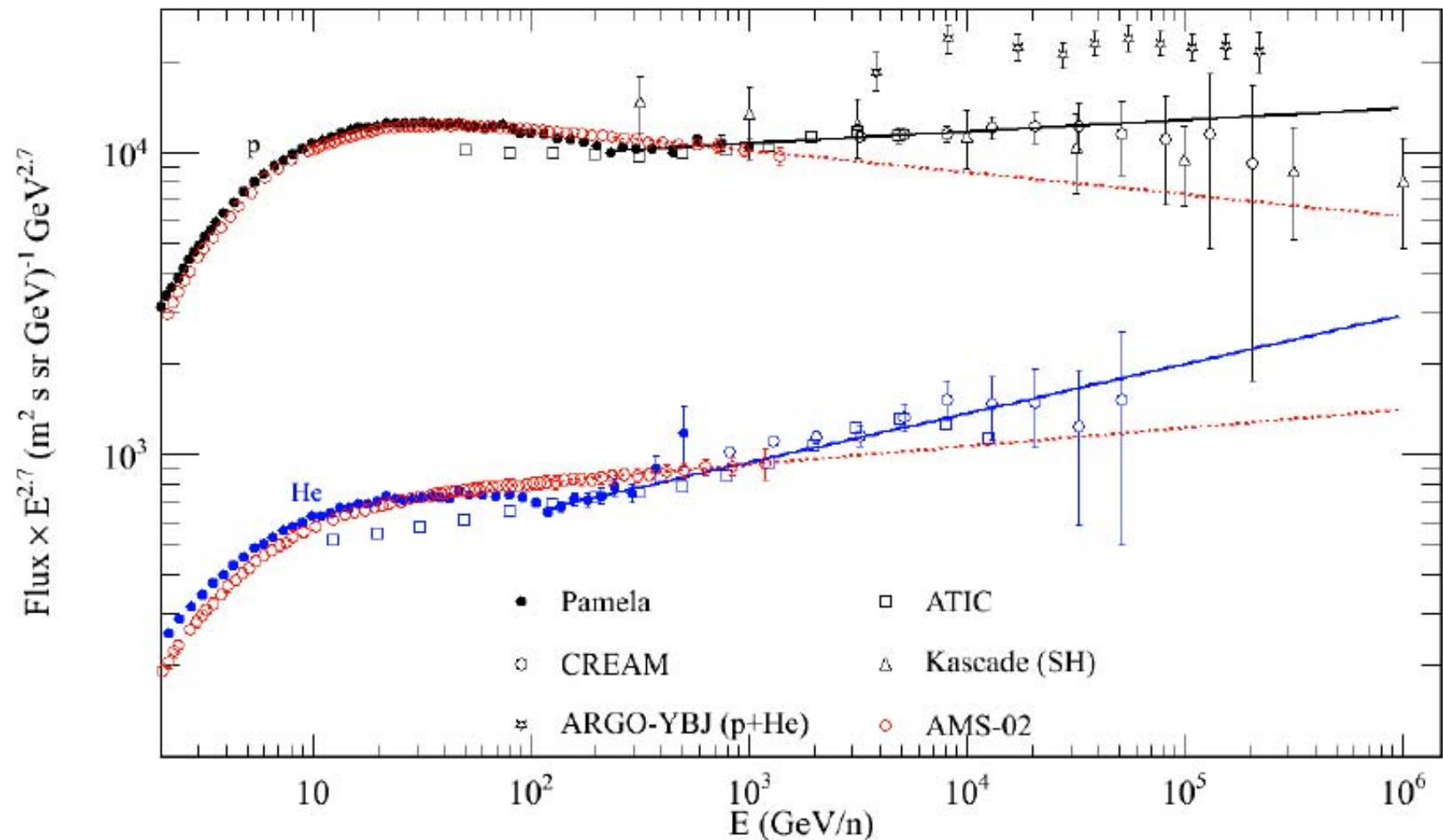
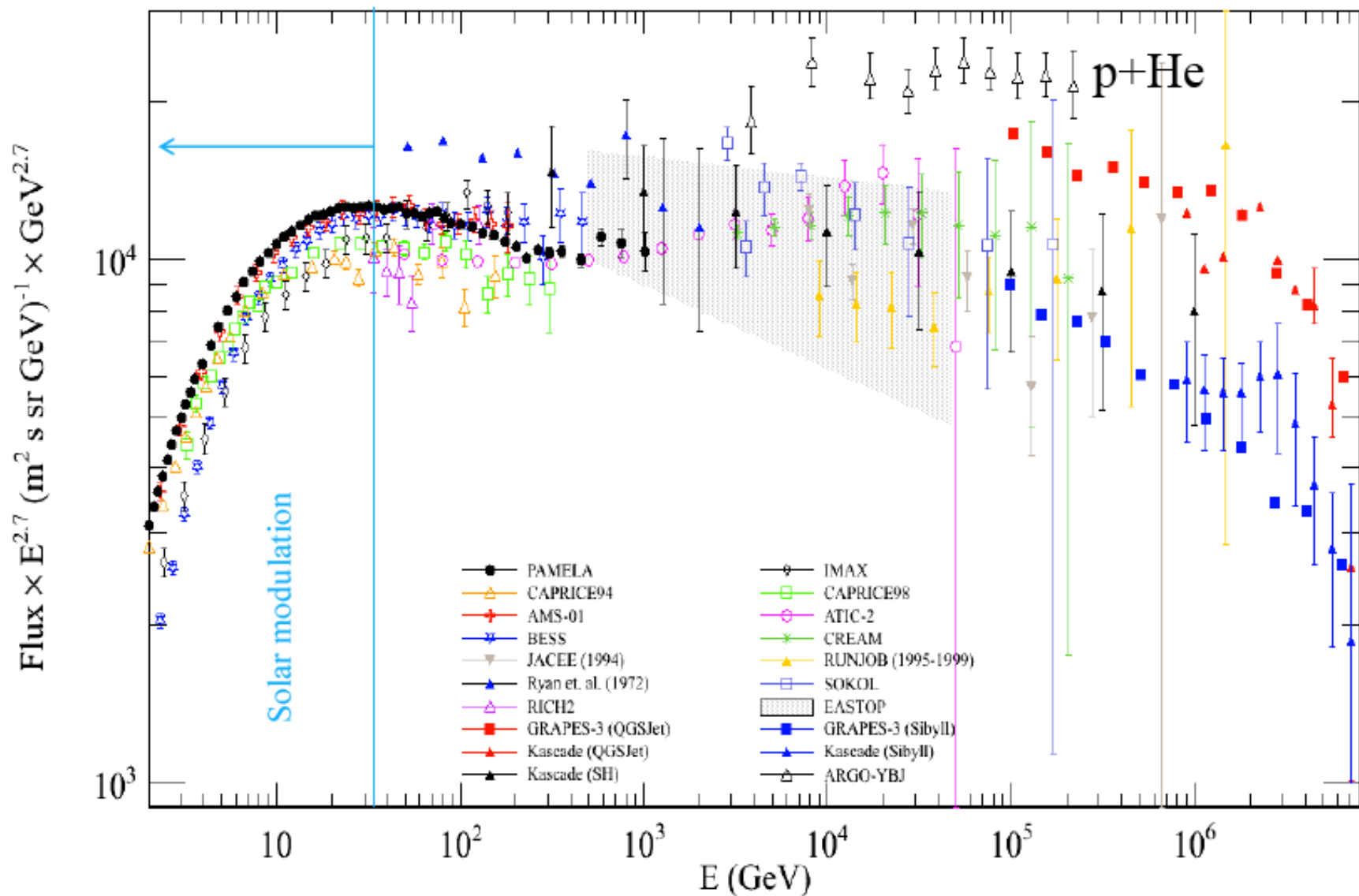


Fig. 4. Proton (left) and helium (right) spectra in the range 10 GV to 1.2 TV. The gray shaded area represents the estimated systematic uncertainty, and the pink shaded area represents the contribution due to tracker alignment. The green lines represent fits with a single power law in the rigidity range 30 to 240 GV. The red curves represent the fit with a rigidity-dependent power law (30 to 240 GV) and with a single power law above 240 GV.

Proton and Helium Nuclei Spectra



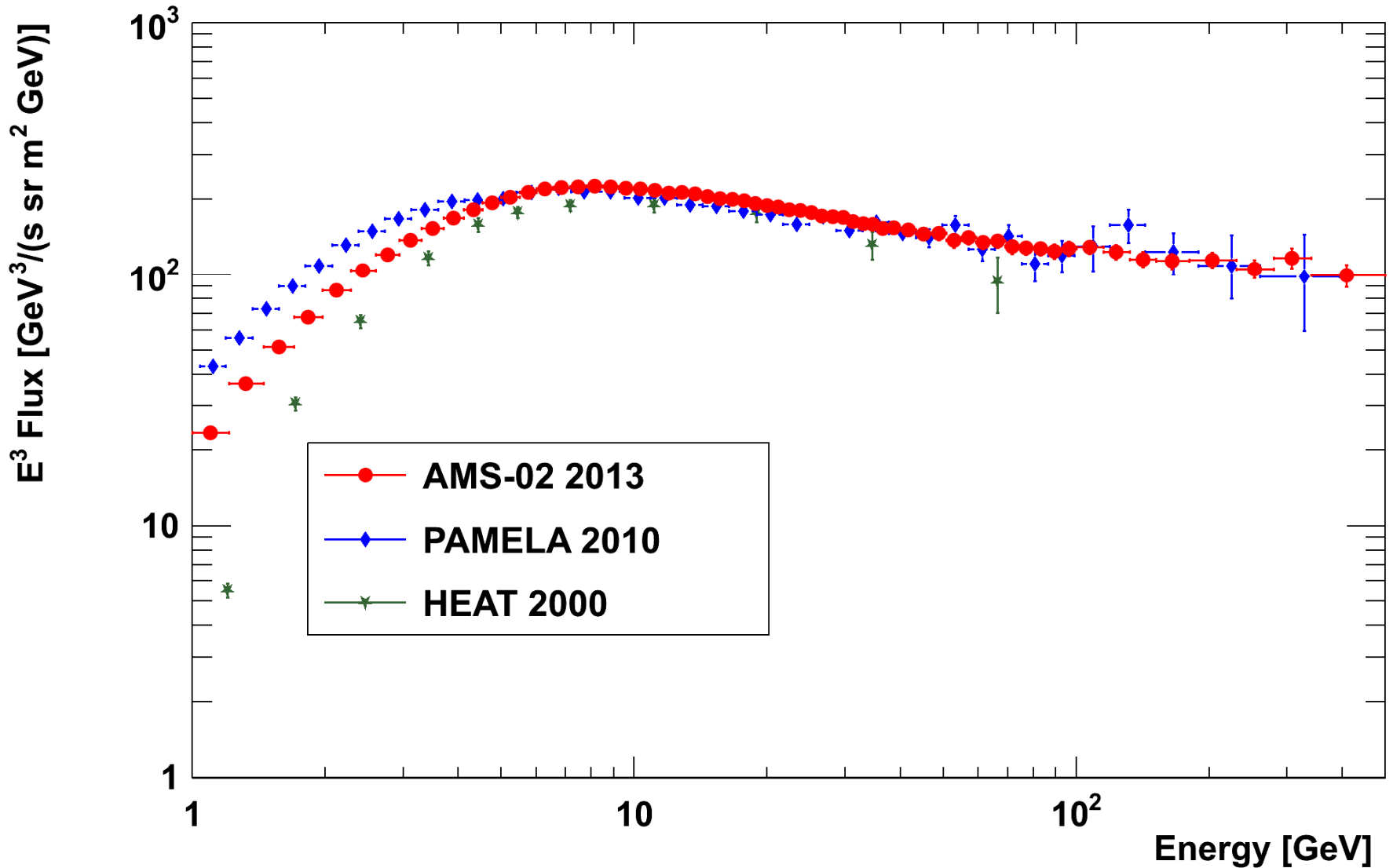
Proton (Hydrogen) Spectrum





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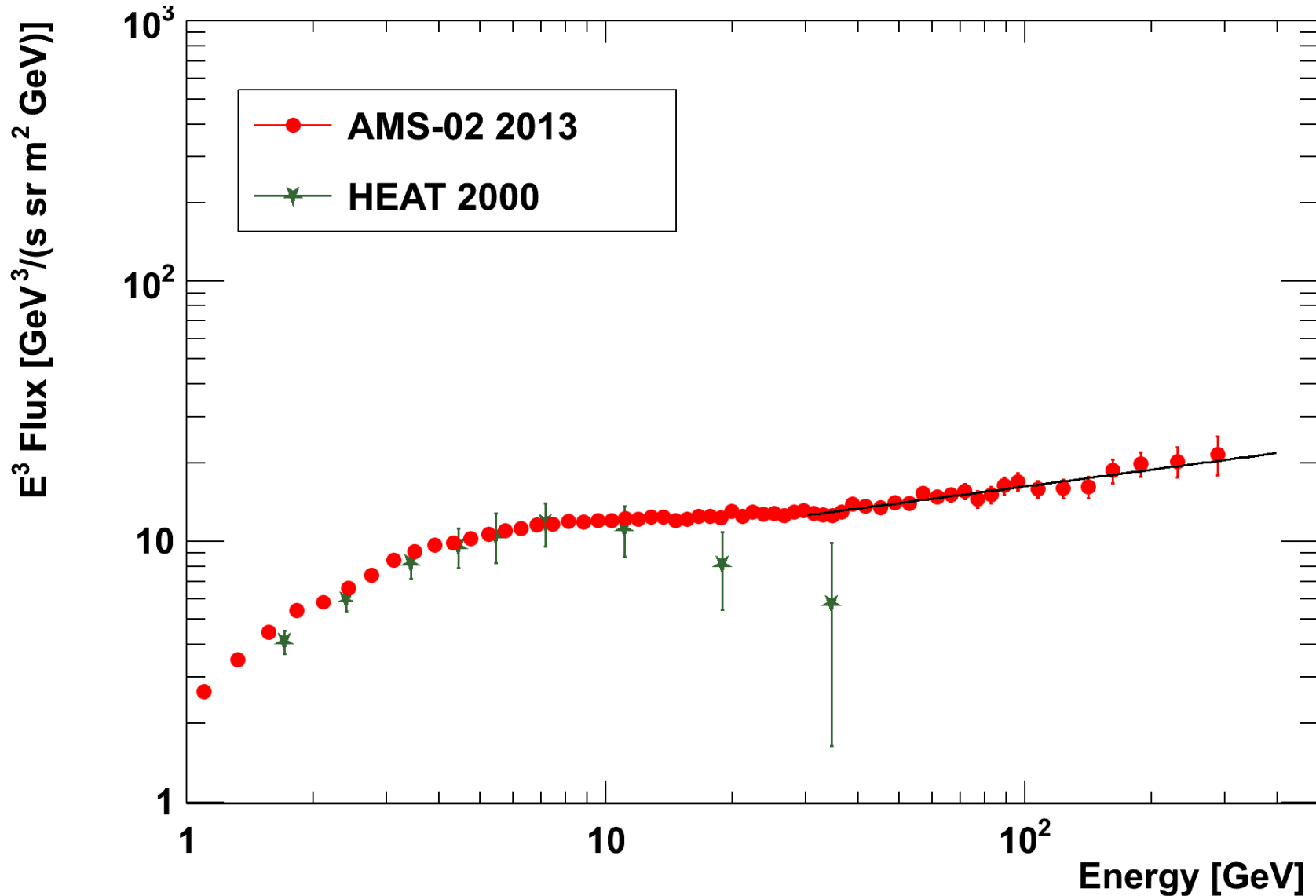
4) Electron Spectrum





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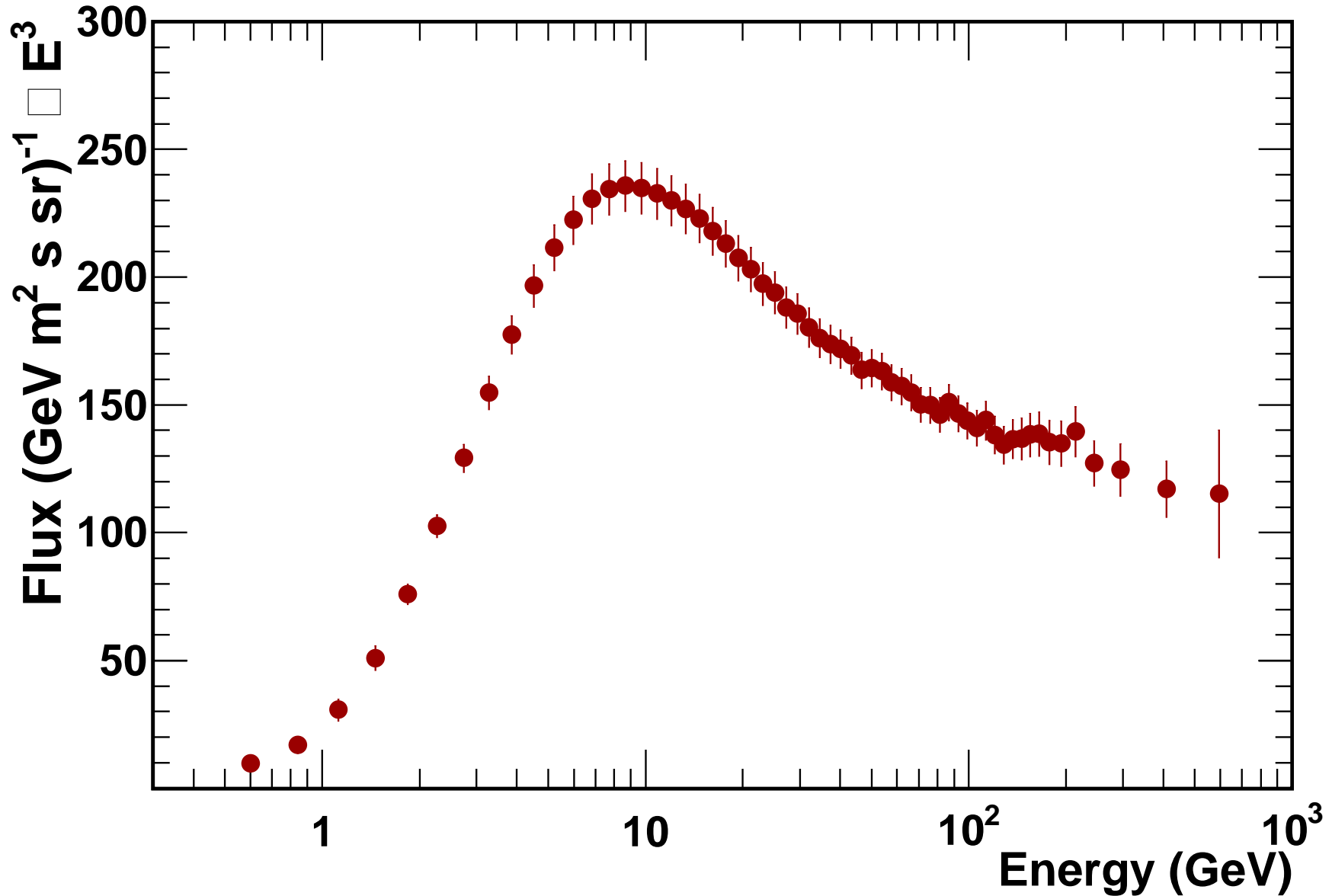
5) Positron Spectrum





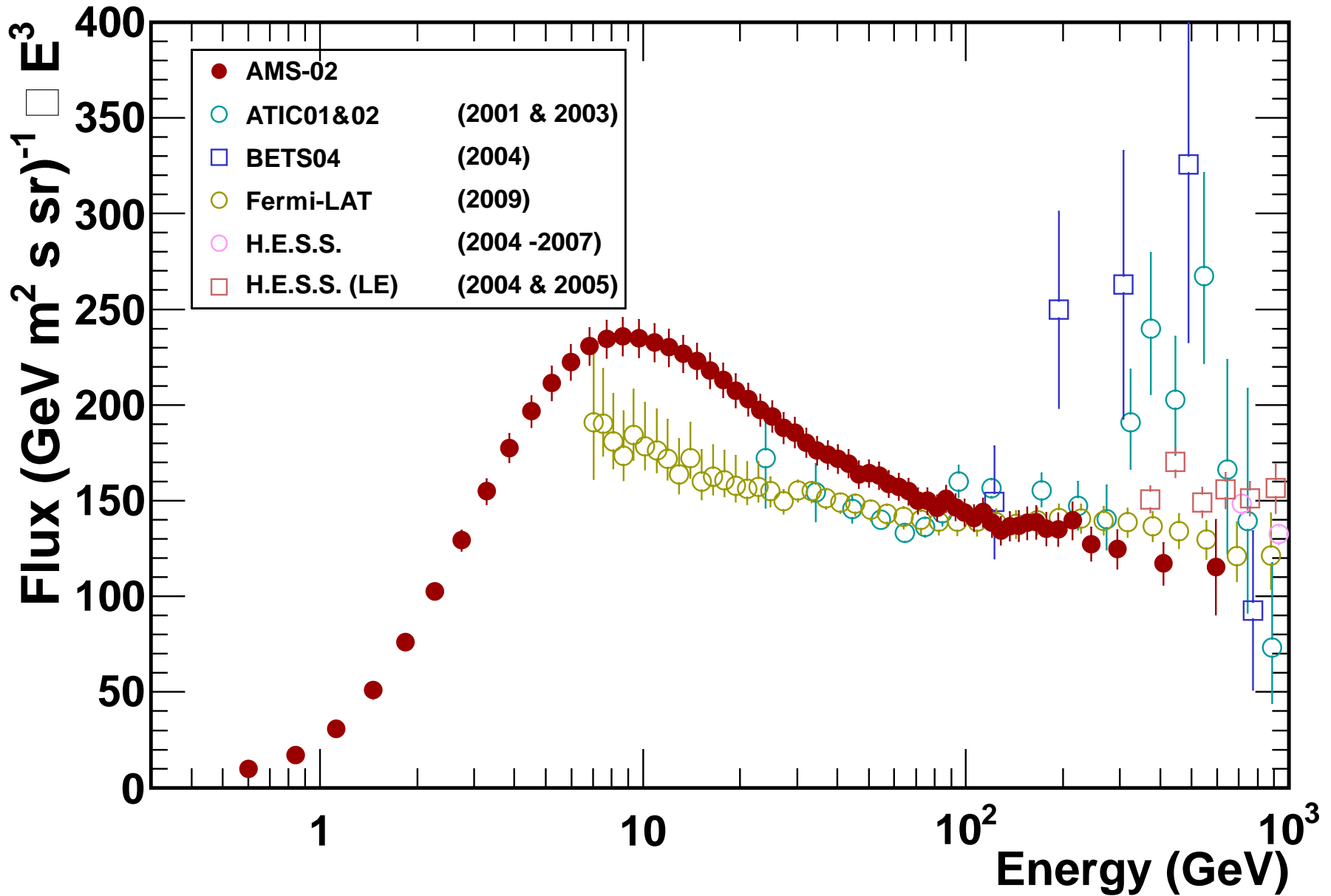
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6) (Electron plus Positron) Spectrum





(Electron plus Positron) Spectrum comparison with recent measurements





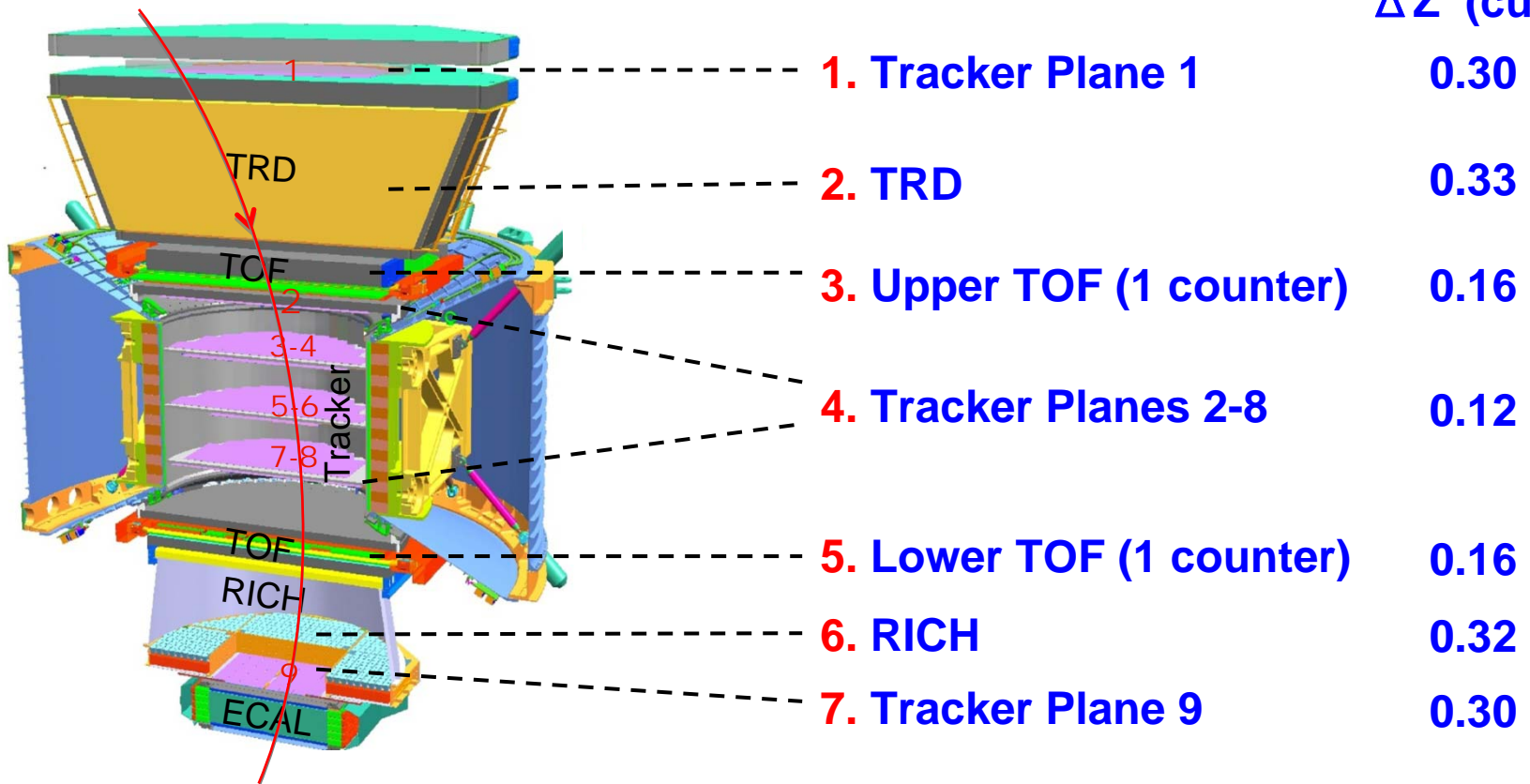
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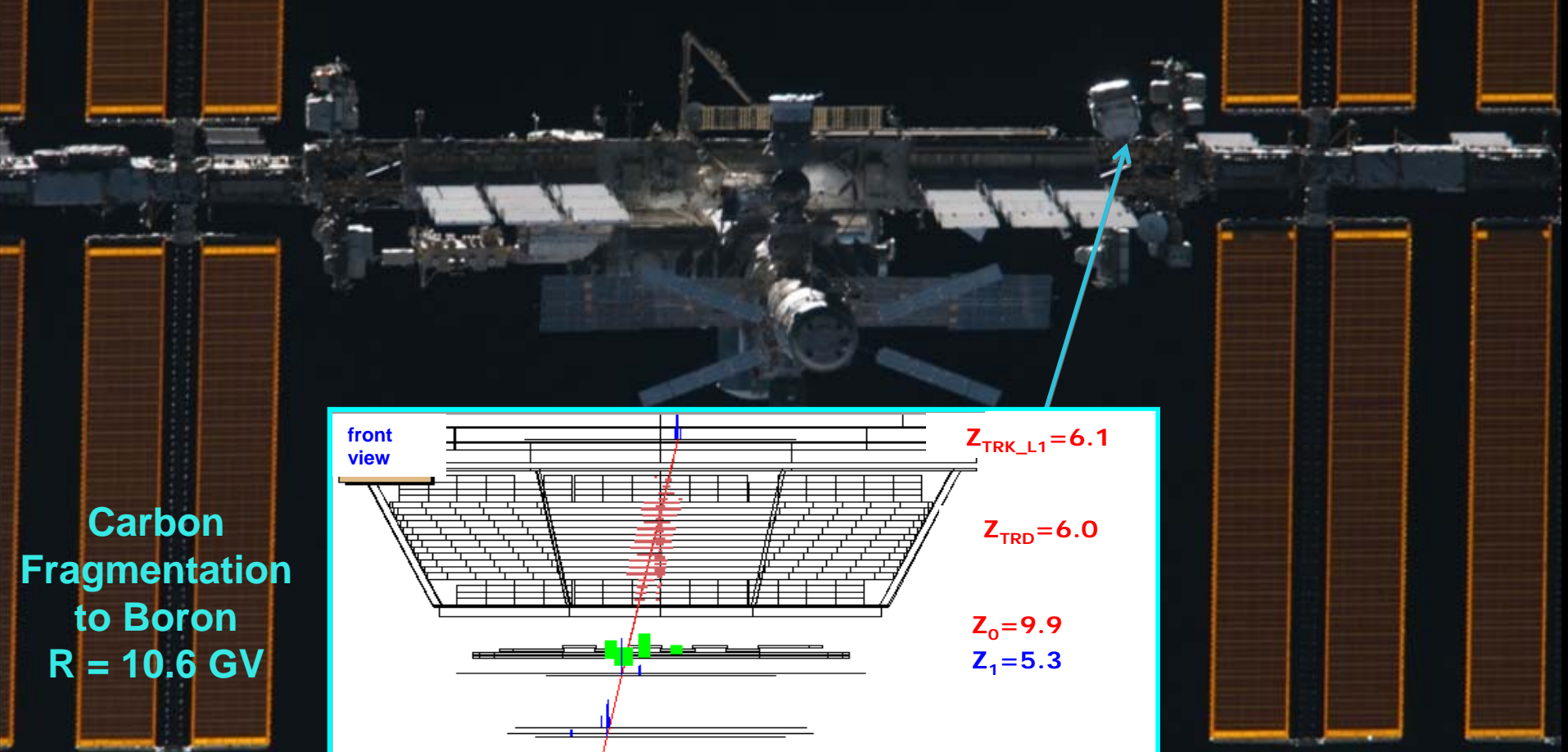
7) Boron-to-Carbon ratio

Precise measurement of the energy spectra of B/C provides information on Cosmic Ray Interactions and Propagation

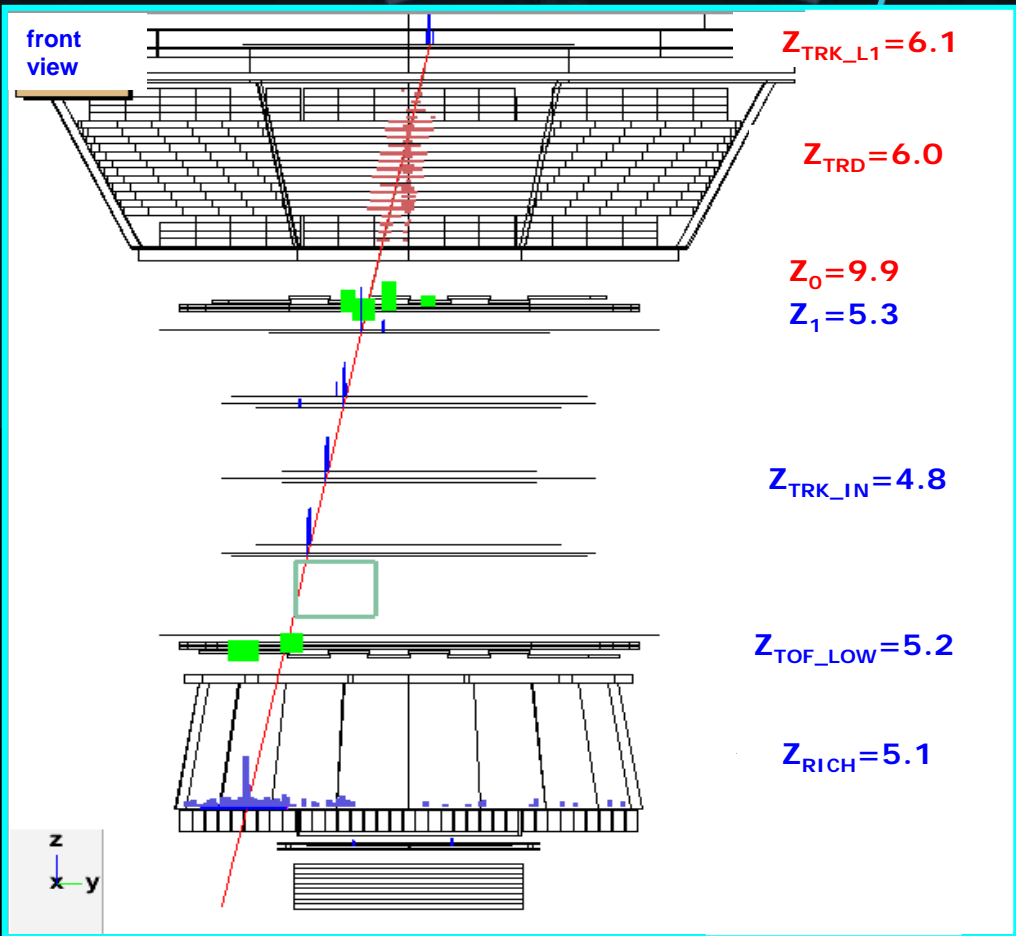
AMS: Multiple Independent Measurements of the Charge ($|Z|$)

Carbon ($Z=6$)
 ΔZ (cu)



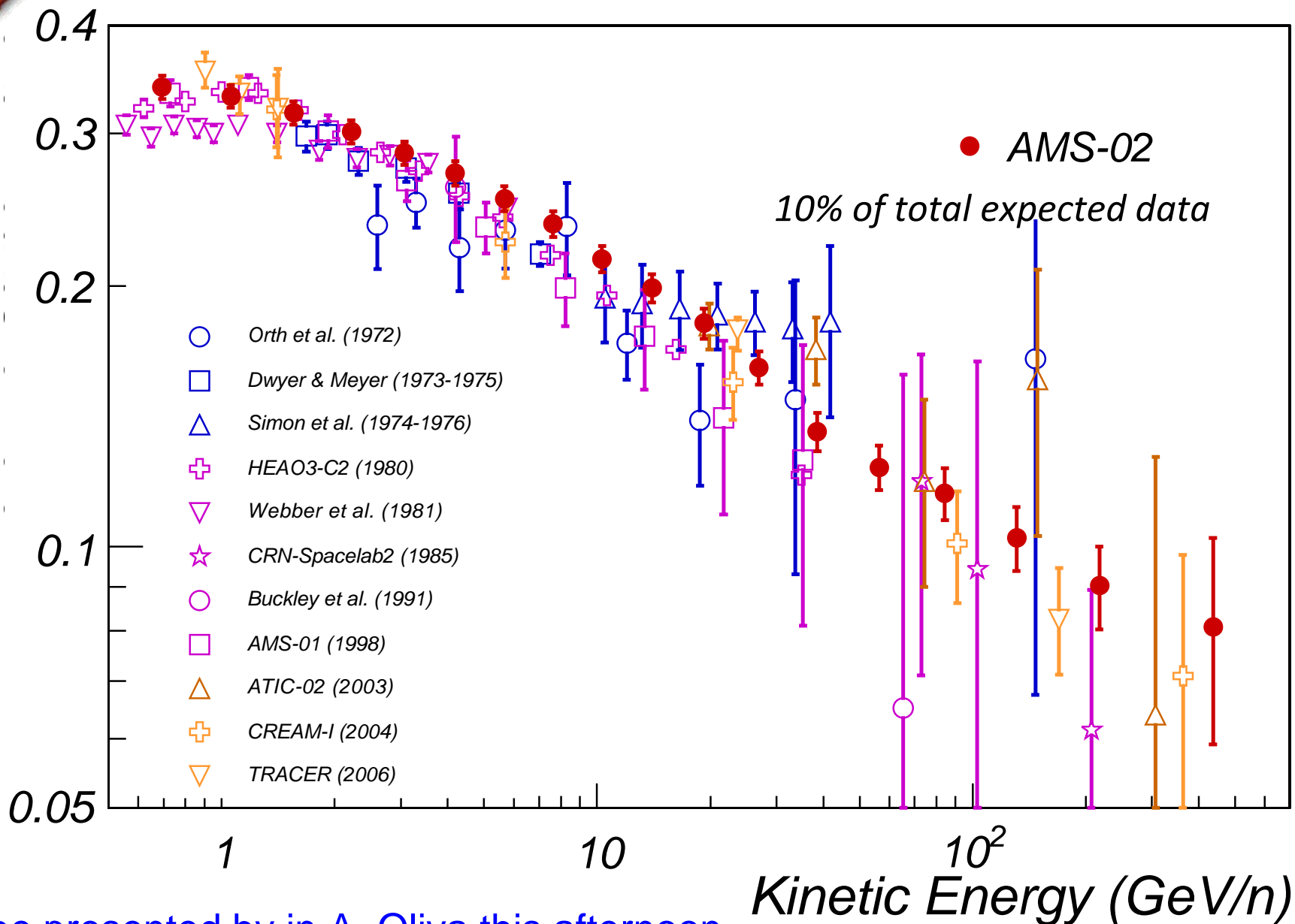


Carbon
Fragmentation
to Boron
 $R = 10.6 \text{ GV}$





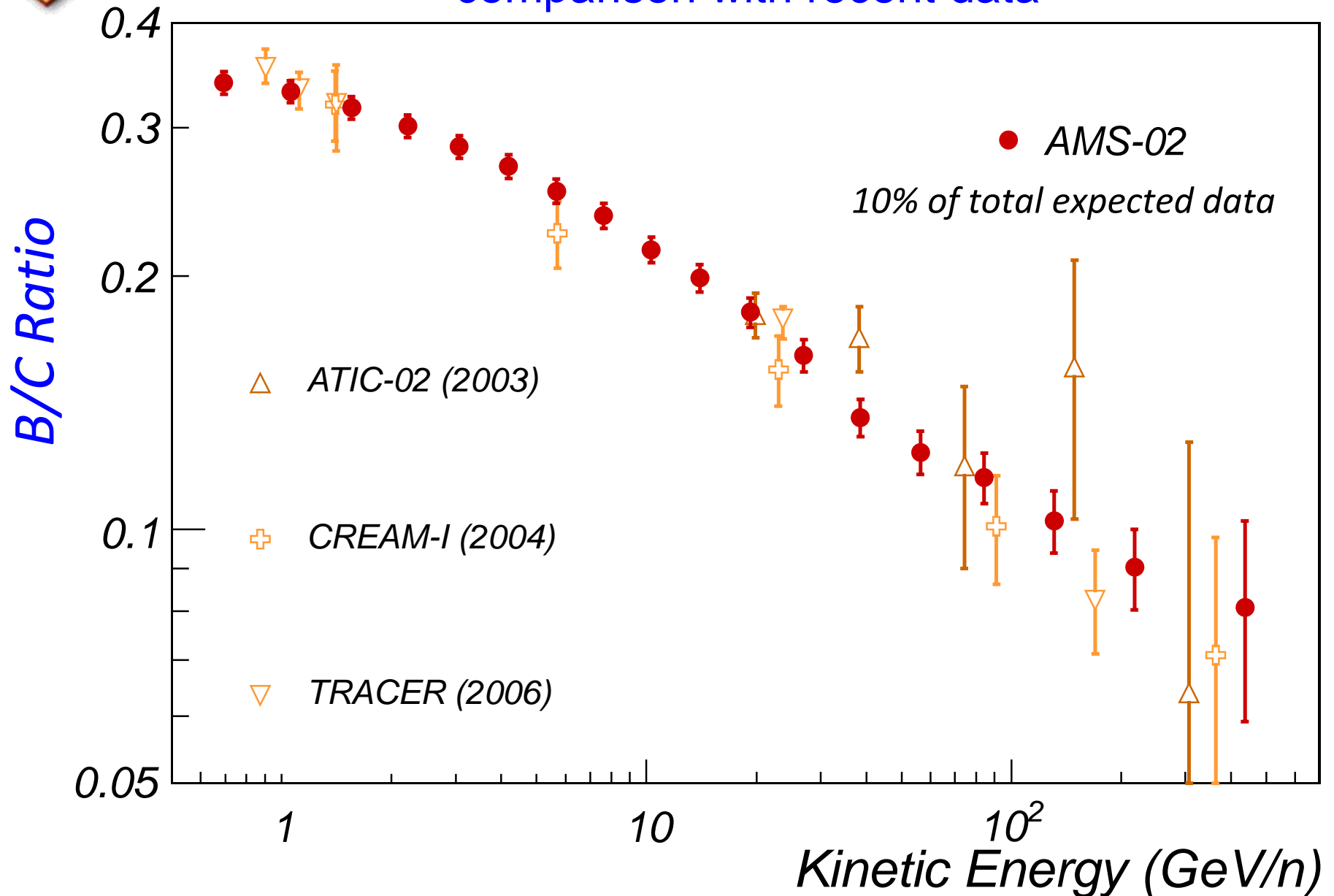
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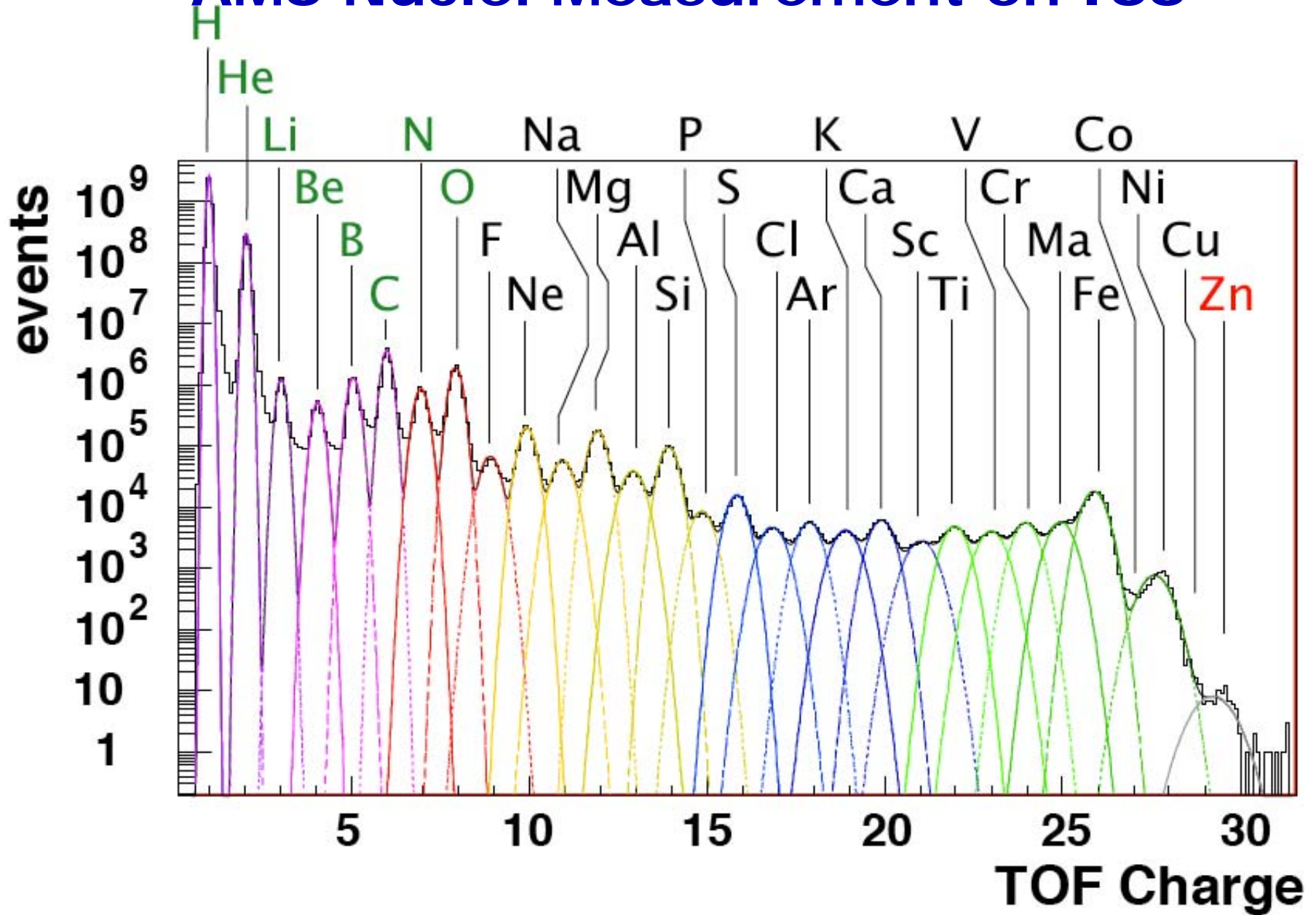


Boron-to-Carbon ratio

comparison with recent data



AMS Nuclei Measurement on ISS



We now understand
the systematic errors to $\sim 1\%$.

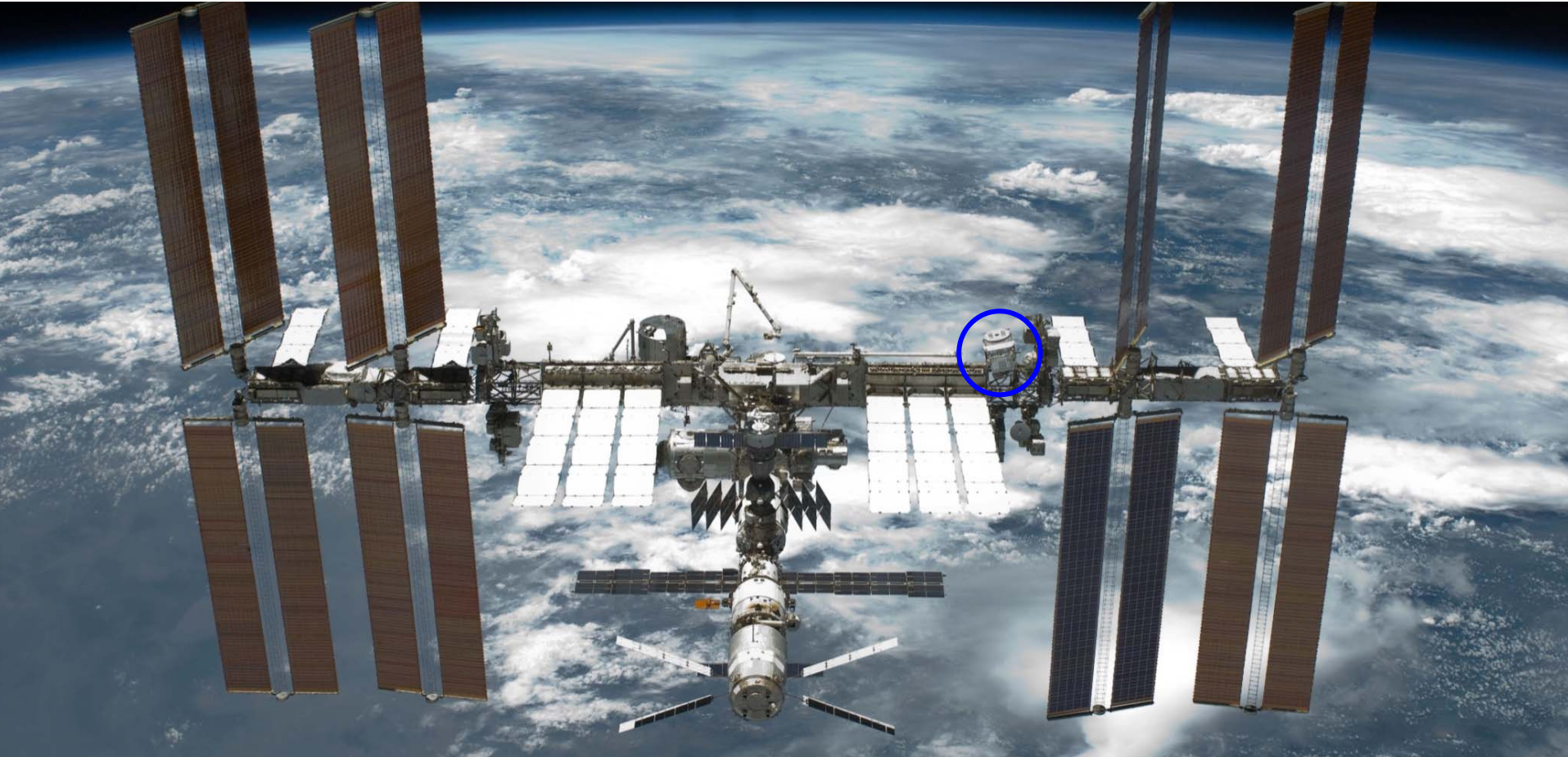
Studies with 1% statistical error
will take time to collect the data.

Physics analysis nearing completion

- 1. Antiprotons (0.5-300 GeV)**
- 2. Anti-He (@ few 10^8 events)**
- 3. Solar physics**
- 4. Ion fluxes**
- 5.....**

The Cosmos is the Ultimate Laboratory.

Cosmic rays can be observed at energies higher than any accelerator.



With AMS-02 on the ISS we have entered the era of precision Cosmic Ray physics to search for phenomena which exist in nature but we have not yet imagined nor had the tools to discover.



Anisotropy Discovery Potential

In 10 years, the projected sensitivity of AMS to a dipole anisotropy is 2σ for $\delta=0.010$ and 3σ for $\delta=0.014$

