

#### **Questions to AMS-02:**

Are there galaxies made of anti-matter in the Universe? What is the nature of Dark Matter? How do cosmic rays propagate in the Galaxy?



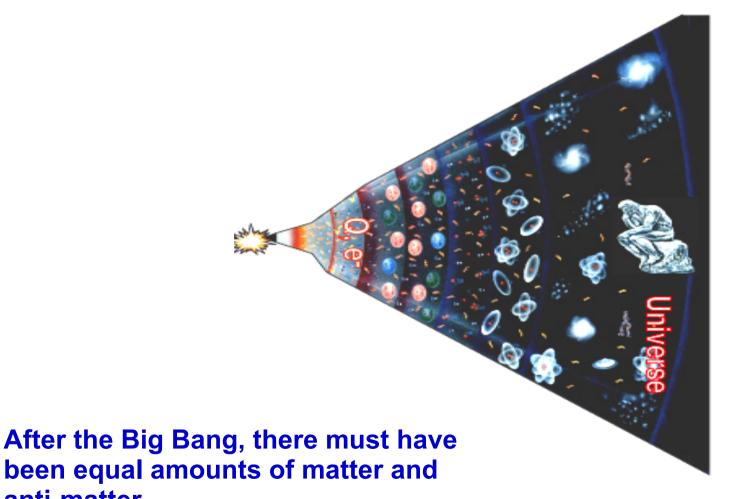


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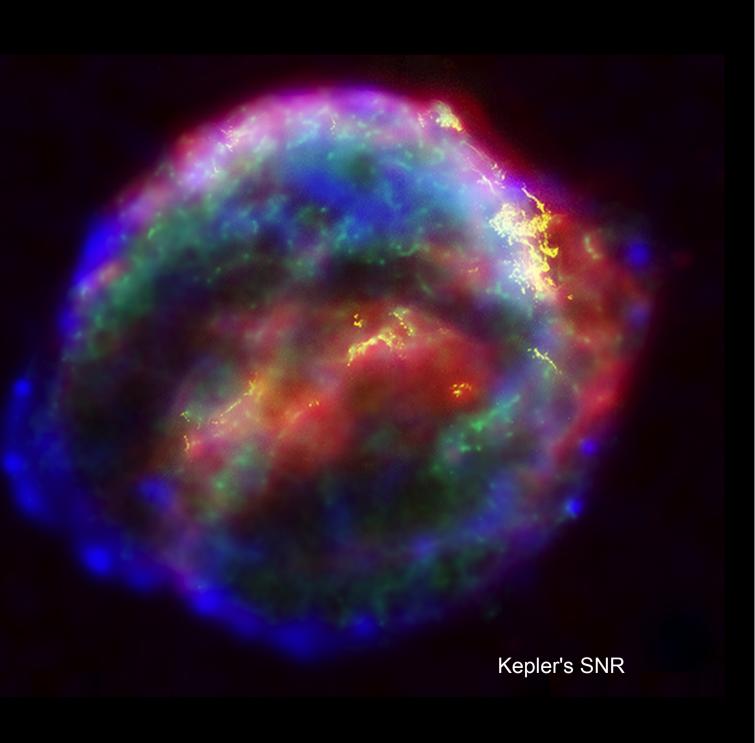
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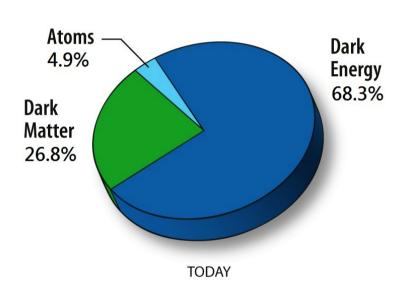
Atomic nuclei are accelerated in supernovae to very high energies and become cosmic rays.

Are there anti-galaxies in the Universe?

Can we observe an anti-carbon nucleus from a far distant supernova?

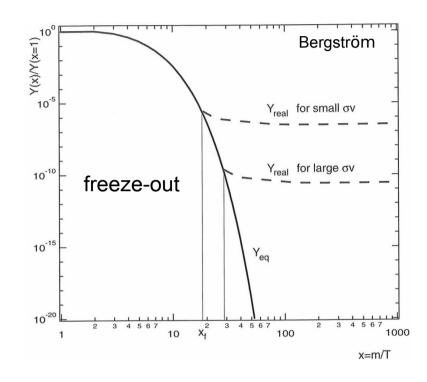


#### **Relic Dark Matter**



Dark matter makes up a substantial fraction of the energy density of the Universe. But what is its nature?

#### Freeze-out in the early Universe:

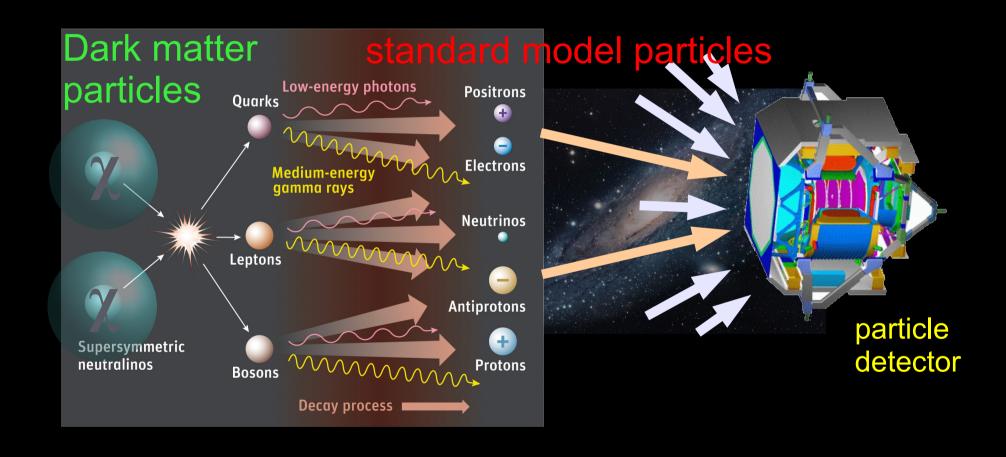


$$\Omega_{\chi} h^2 \approx \frac{3 \cdot 10^{-27} \,\mathrm{cm}^3 \mathrm{s}^{-1}}{\langle \sigma v \rangle}$$

relic density ↔ annihilation cross section

#### Dark Matter annihilation

Products of Dark Matter annihilations get injected into the cosmic-ray sea:



most promising channels: e+, p, D, (He), (and photons)

## Cosmic ray physics in a nutshell

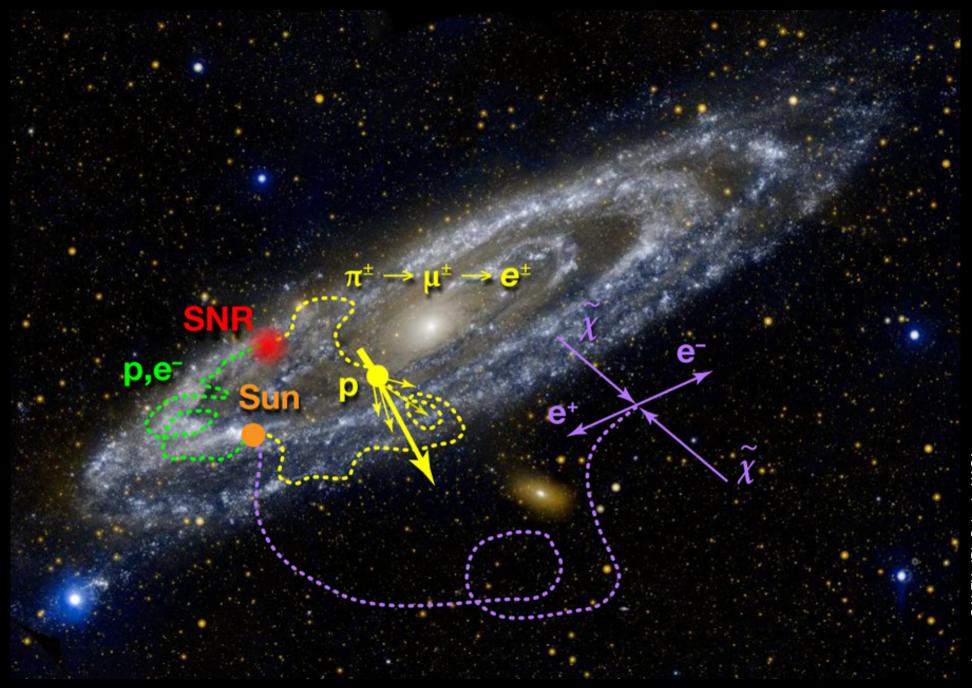


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#### **Excellent results from PAMELA**

 Results span 4 decades in energy and 13 in fluxes



The PAMELA Mission: Heralding a new era in precision cosmic ray physics

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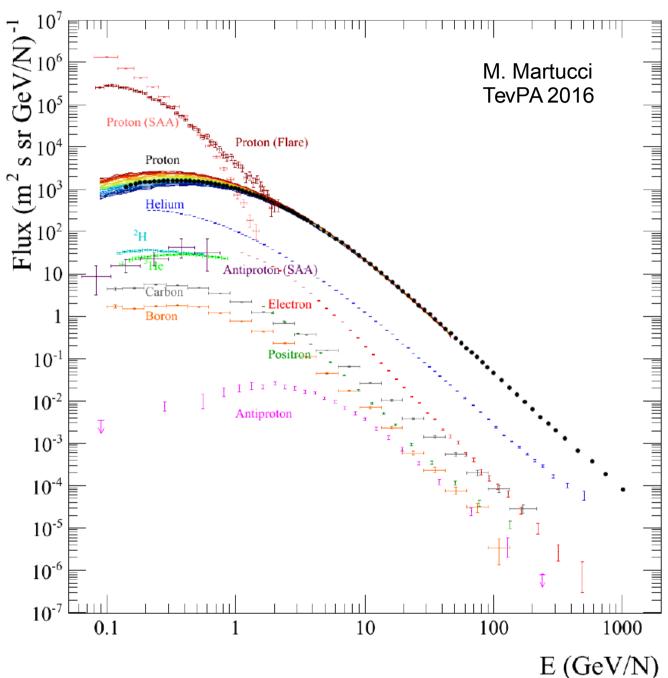
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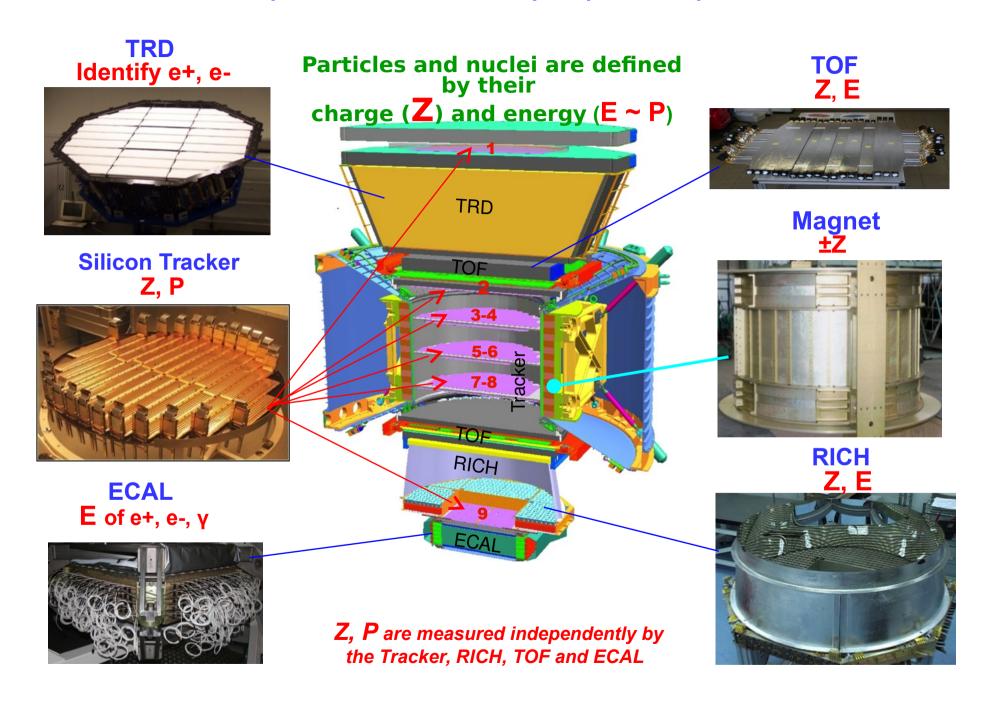
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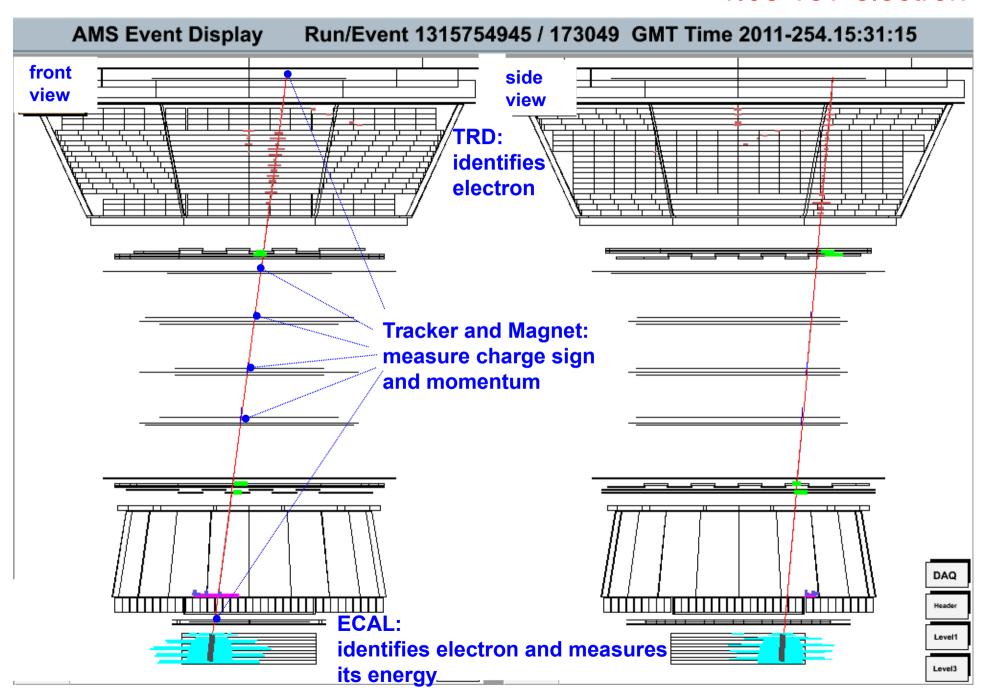


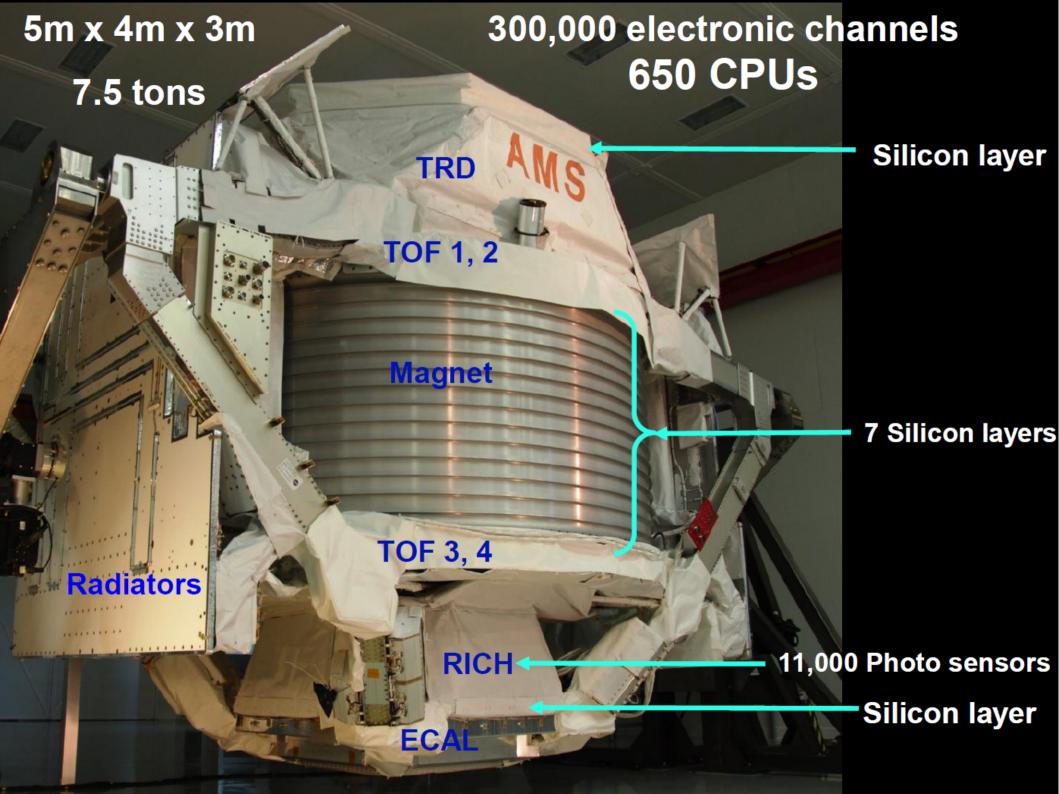
## AMS-02: A TeV precision, multi-purpose spectrometer



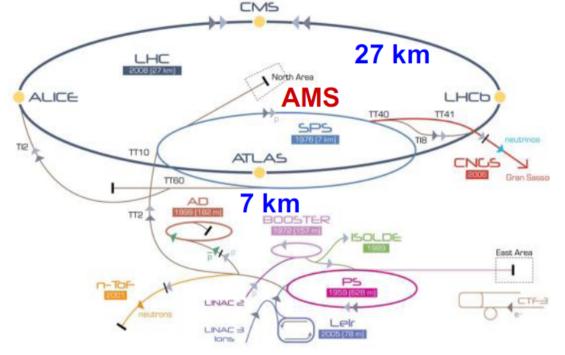
## 1 out of more than 80,000,000,000 events:

#### 1.03 TeV electron





# Tests at CERN AMS in accelerator test beams Feb 4-8 and Aug 8-20, 2010

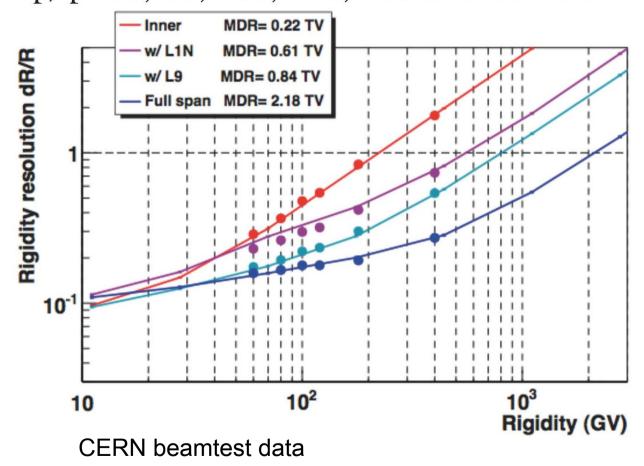


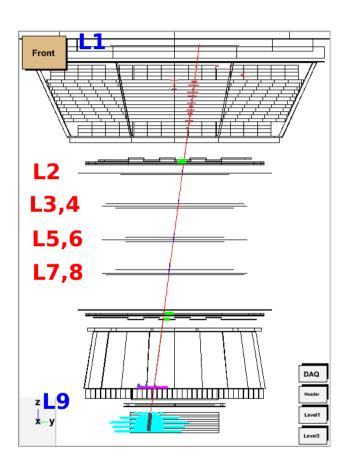


| Particle  | Momentum (GeV/c)          | Positions |
|-----------|---------------------------|-----------|
| Protons   | 180, 400                  | 1,650     |
| Electrons | 100, 120, 180, 290        | 7 each    |
| Positrons | 10, 20, 60, 80, 120, 180  | 7 each    |
| Pions     | 20, 60, 80, 100, 120, 180 | 7 each    |

## Tracker: Rigidity resolution

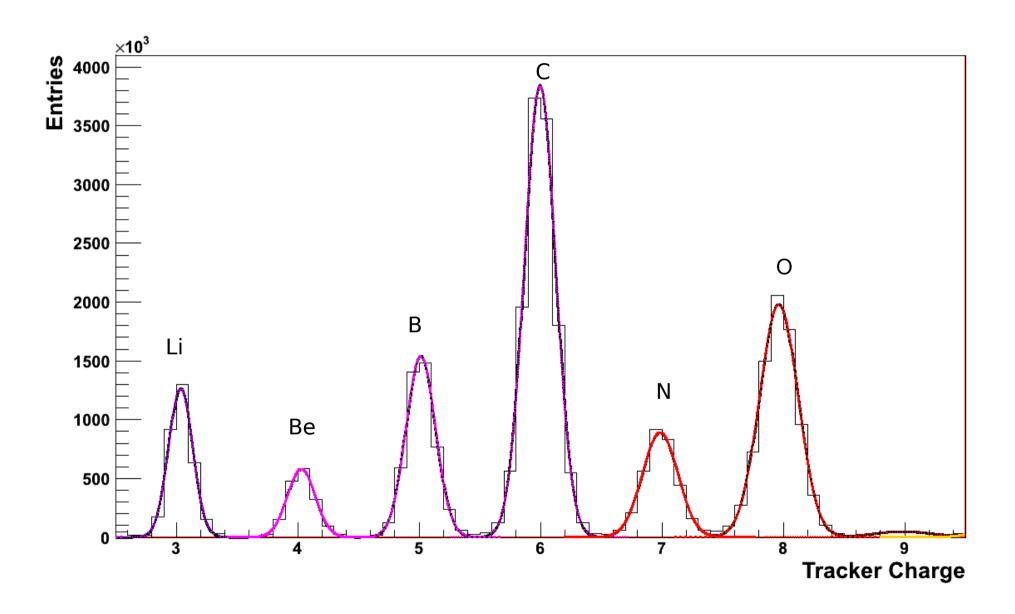
Comparison between TB and MC p/pi 60, 80, 100, 120, 180 and 400 GeV



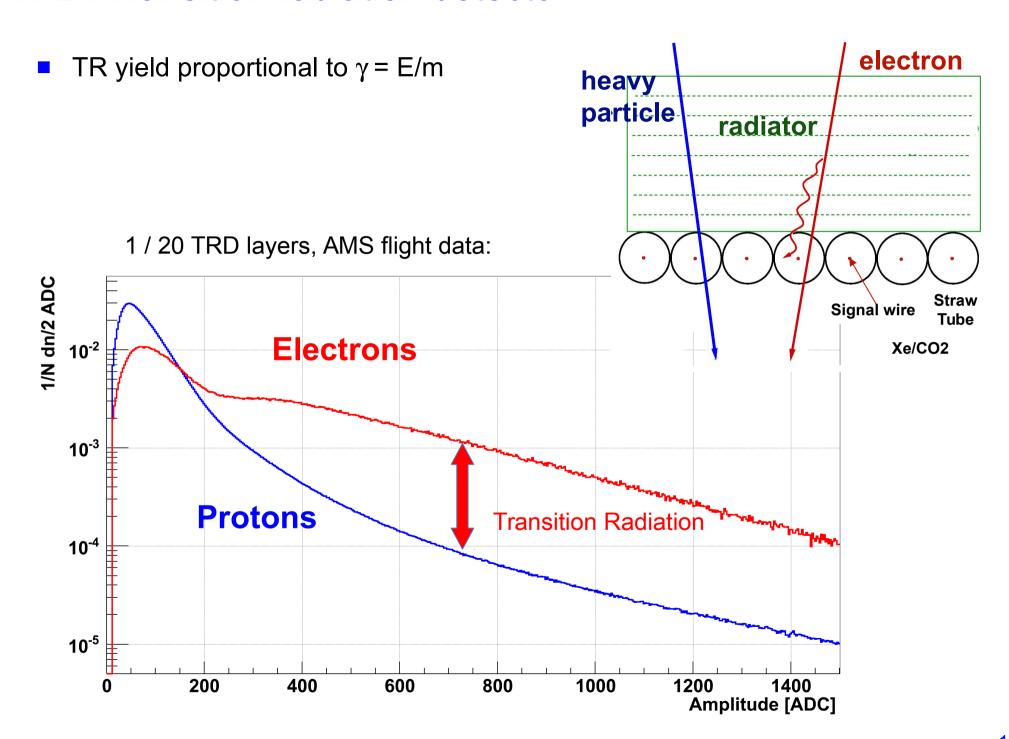


Rigidity = momentum / charge

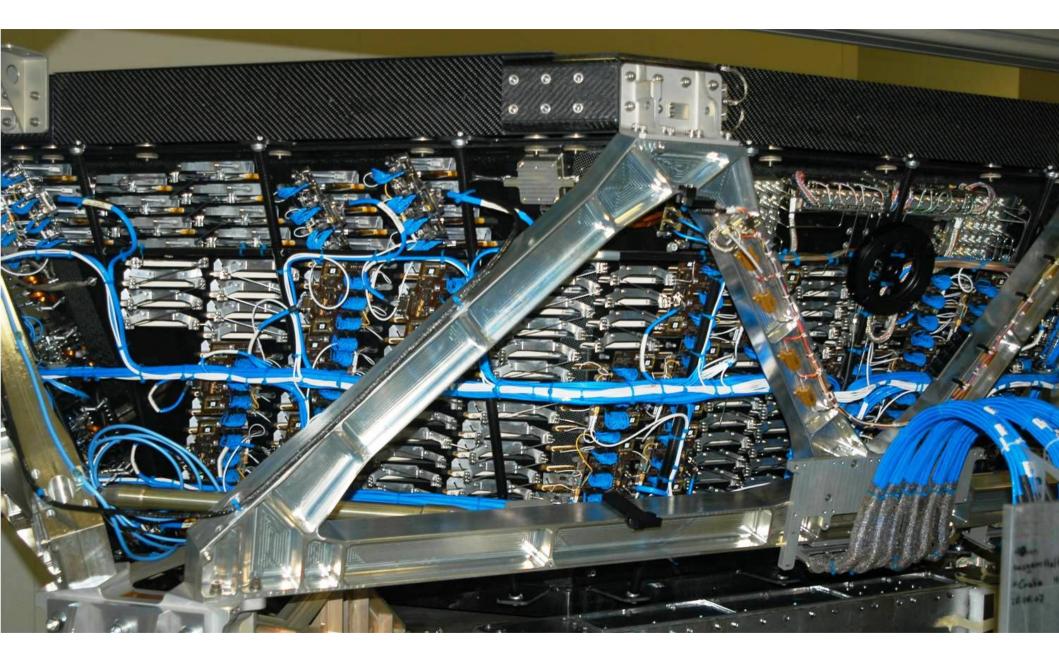
## Tracker: Charge measurement



#### TRD: Transition radiation detector



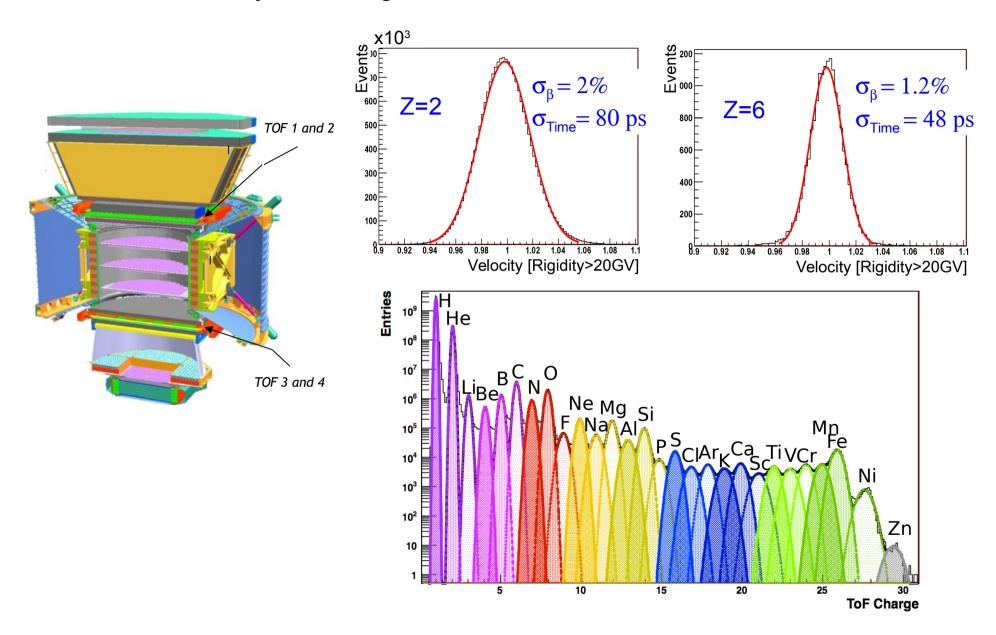
#### **AMS-02 Transition Radiation Detector**



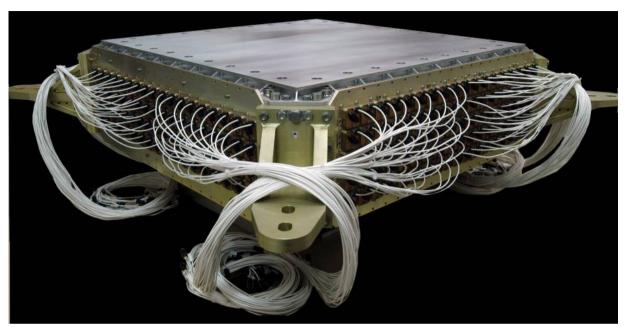
Misidentifies only 1 in 10000 protons as a positron.

## TOF: Time-of-Flight system

Measures velocity and charge:



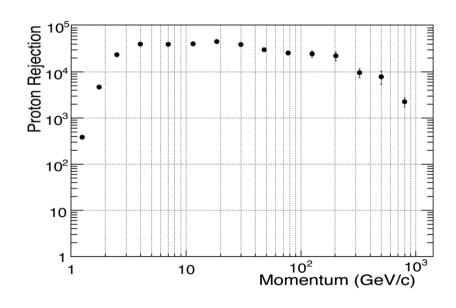
## **ECAL**: Electromagnetic calorimeter

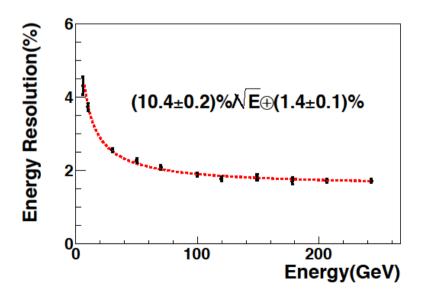


Precision, 3-D measurement of the directions and energies of light rays and electrons up to 1 TeV.

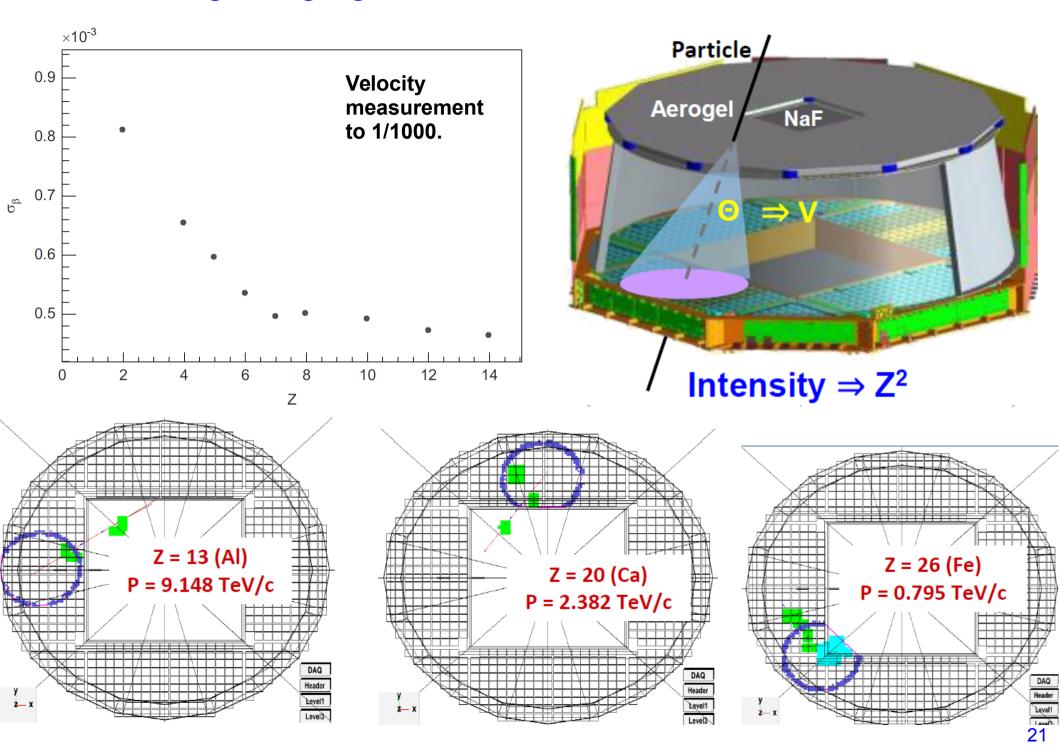
50,000 fibers,  $\phi = 1 \text{ mm}$  distributed uniformly inside 600 kg of lead

Total: 17 X<sub>0</sub>

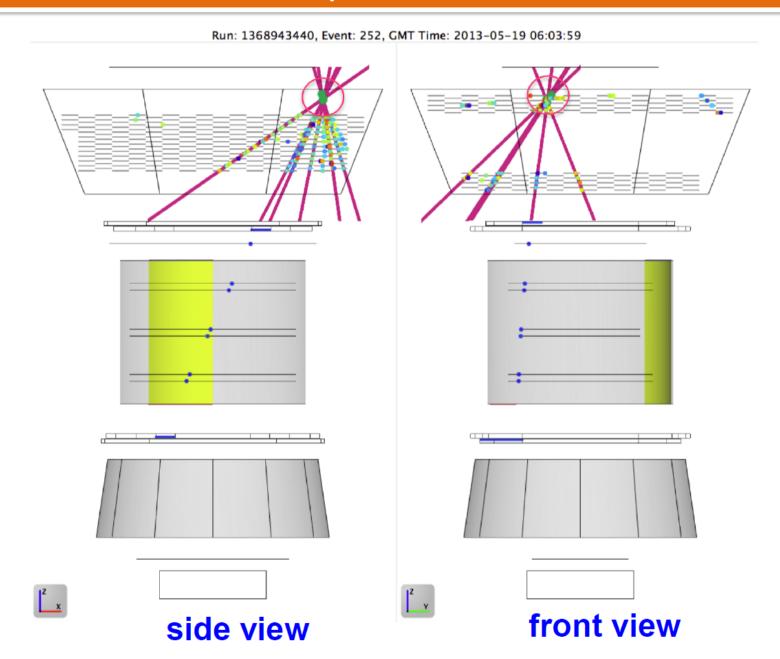




## RICH: Ring-imaging Cherenkov counter

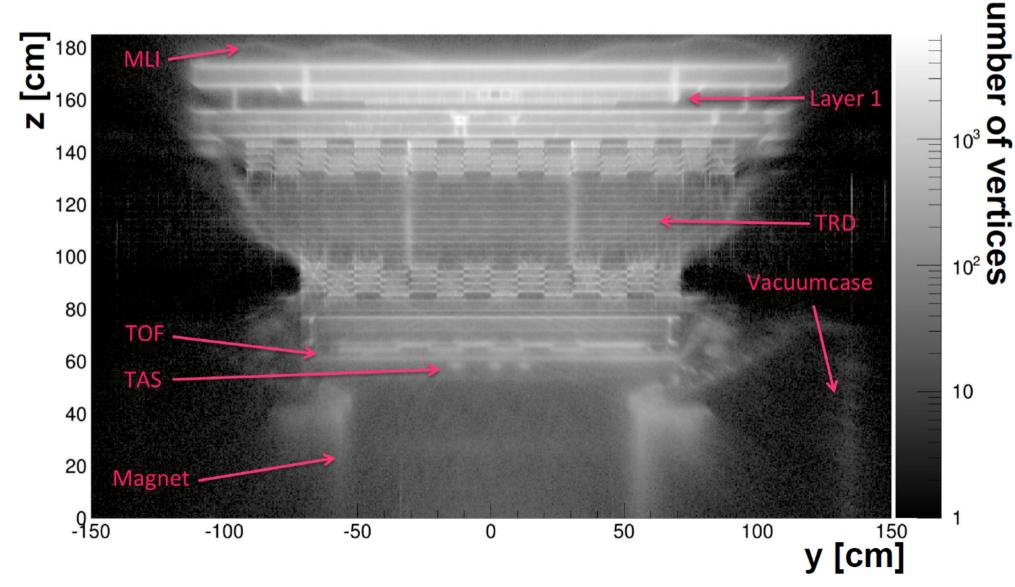


# Use rare nuclear interaction events to optimize the material description in the Monte Carlo

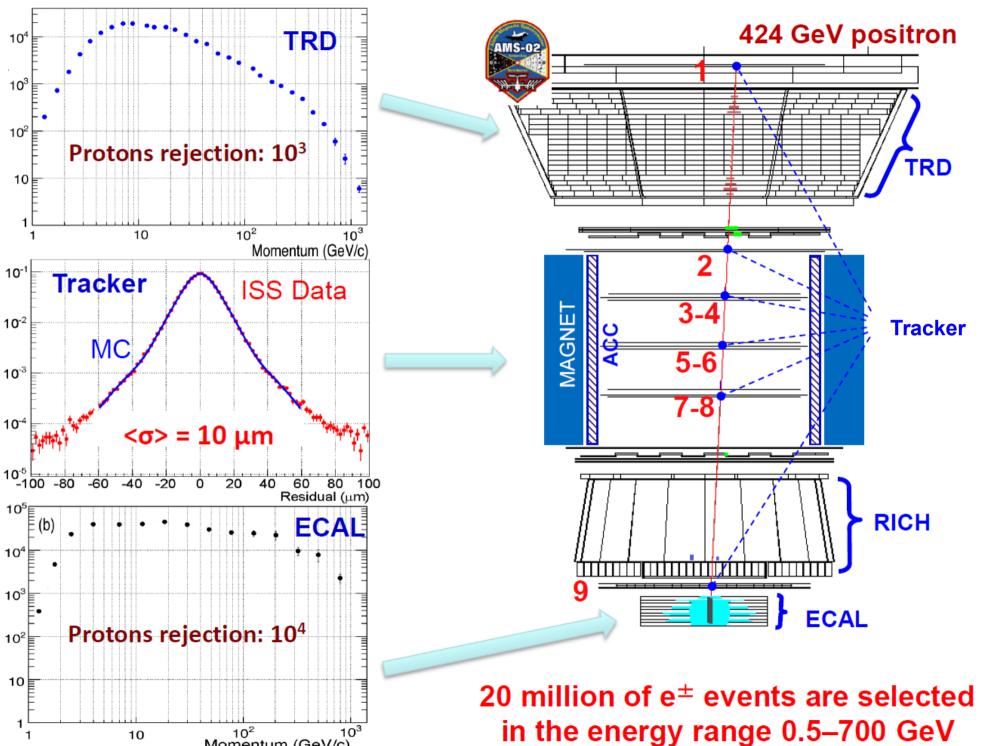


### X-Ray of AMS on the ISS from rare nuclear interaction events

The gray scale is proportional to the number of vertices found.

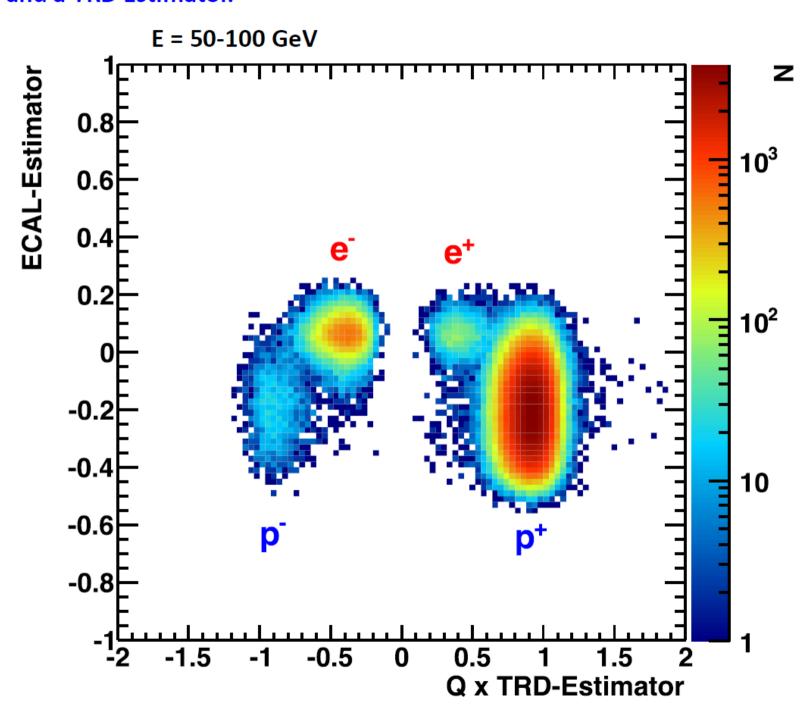


#### Positron fraction analysis: update 5 years data ⇔ ~85 109 cosmic rays



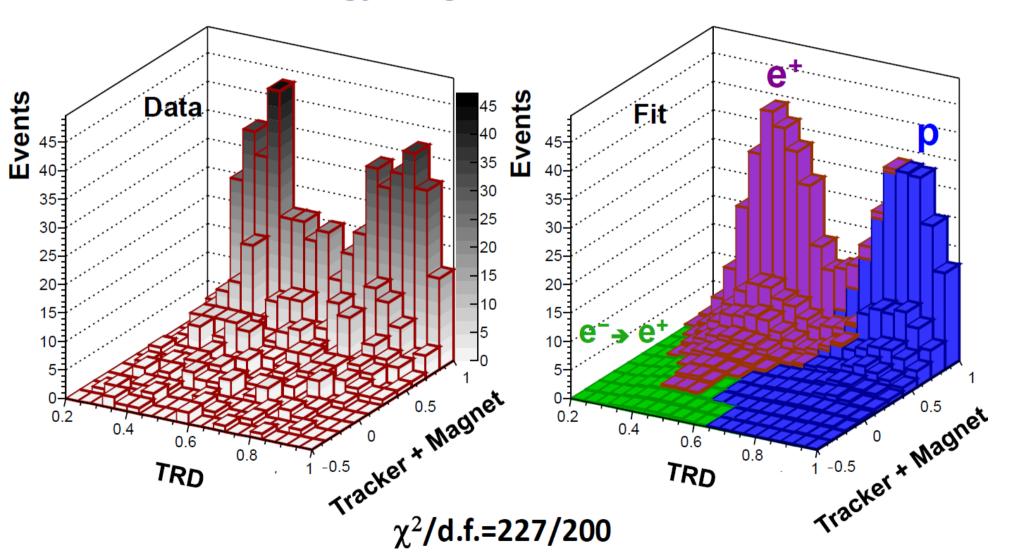
Momentum (GeV/c)

In our data sample we identify four components using an ECAL Estimator and a TRD Estimator.

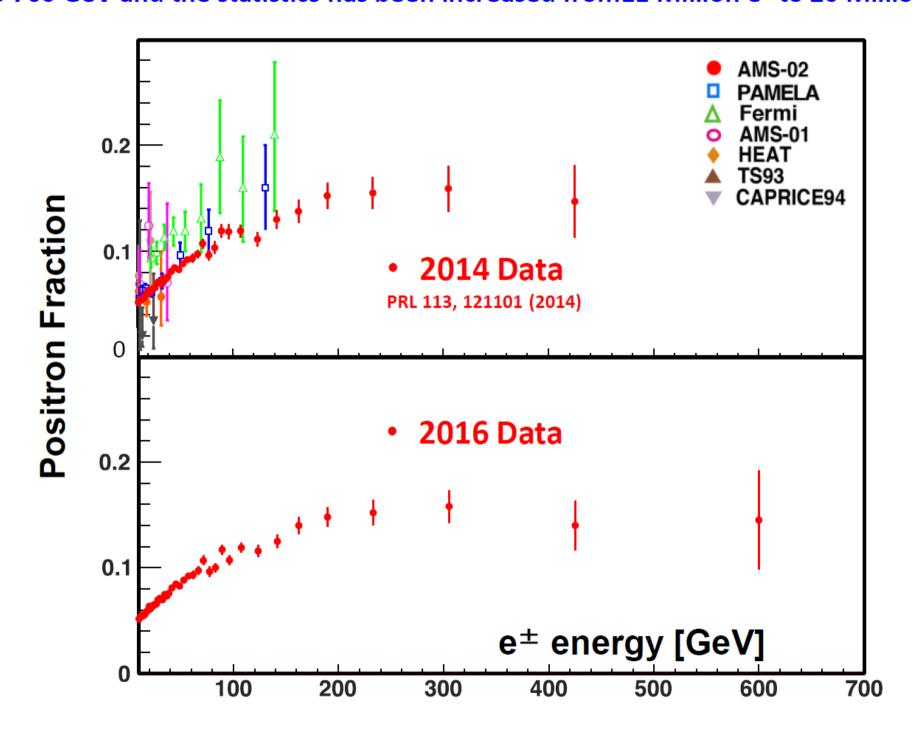


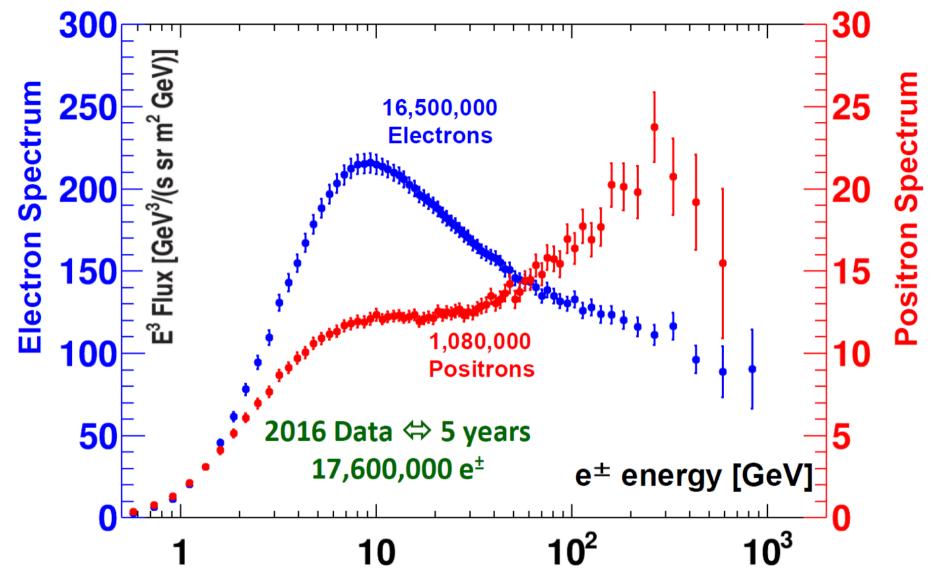
# TRD Estimator shows clear separation between positrons and protons with a small charge confusion background

### Energy range 206-260 GeV



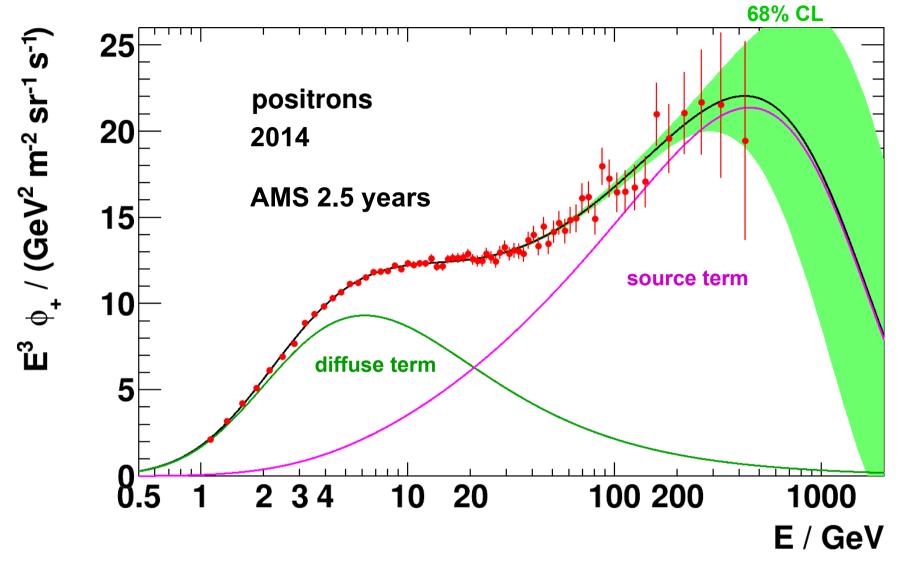
Compared to our publication in 2014 the energy range has been increased up to 700 GeV and the statistics has been increased from 11 Million e<sup>±</sup> to 20 Million e<sup>±</sup>.



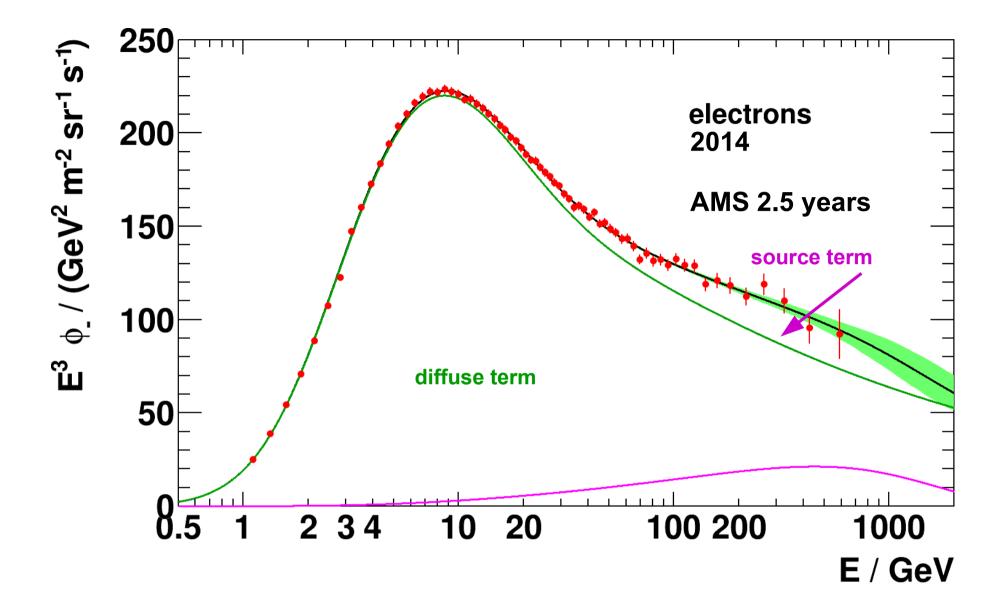


- Electrons and positrons have a different origin.
- ➤ A "Standard Model" to describe all our data does not exist.
- Therefore we have to use simple phenomenological models.

### Simple phenomenological model for AMS electrons, positrons

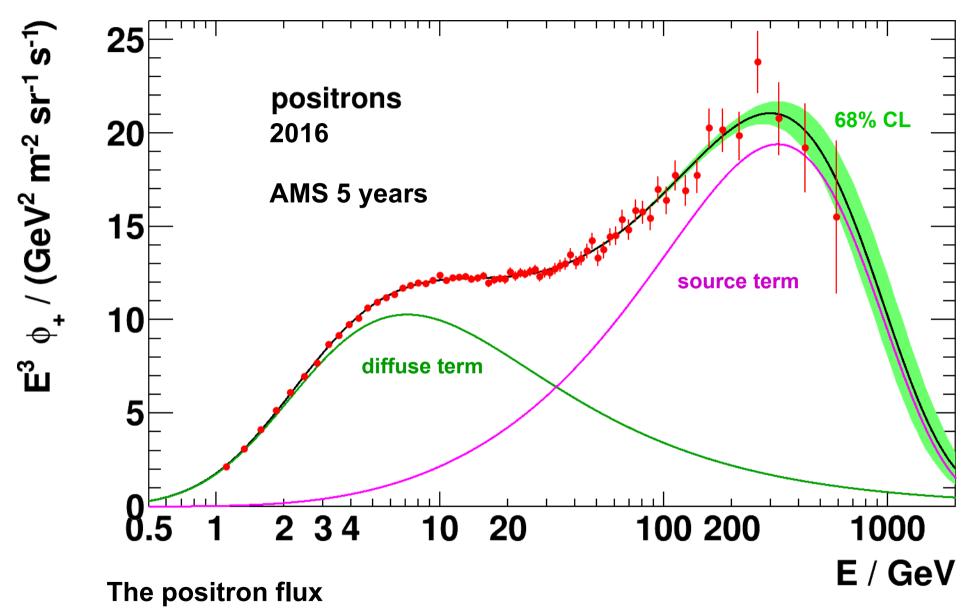


$$\begin{split} \Phi_+(E) &= \underbrace{(E^2/\hat{E}^2)(C_+(\hat{E}/E_0)^{-\gamma_+} + C_S(\hat{E}/E_1)^{-\gamma_S} \exp(-\lambda_S \hat{E}))}_{\Phi_-(E)} \\ \Phi_-(E) &= \underbrace{(E^2/\hat{E}^2)(C_-(\hat{E}/E_0)^{-\gamma_-}(1+(\hat{E}/E_B)^{\Delta\gamma_-/b})^b + C_S(\hat{E}/E_1)^{-\gamma_S} \exp(-\lambda_S \hat{E}))}_{\text{solar modulation: } \hat{E} = E + \varphi_\pm} \\ \end{split} \text{"diffuse" term common "source" term}$$



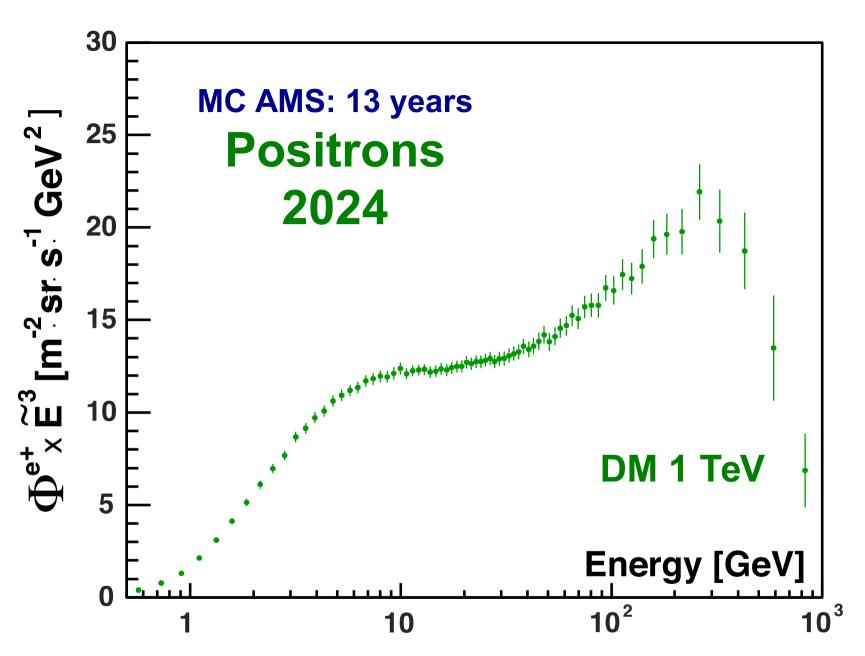
#### The electron flux

- has no sharp structures and is dominated by the diffuse term,
- is consistent with a charge-symmetric source term.

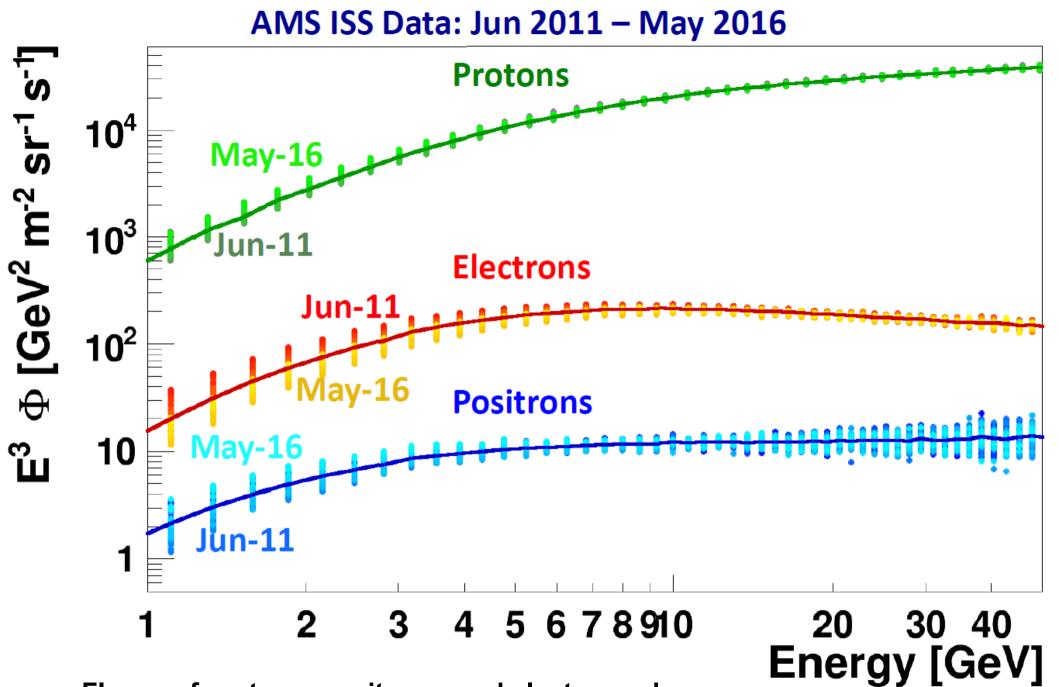


- has no sharp structures,
- is dominated by the source term.

The significance for the cutoff is  $3\sigma$  with the data up to 2016.

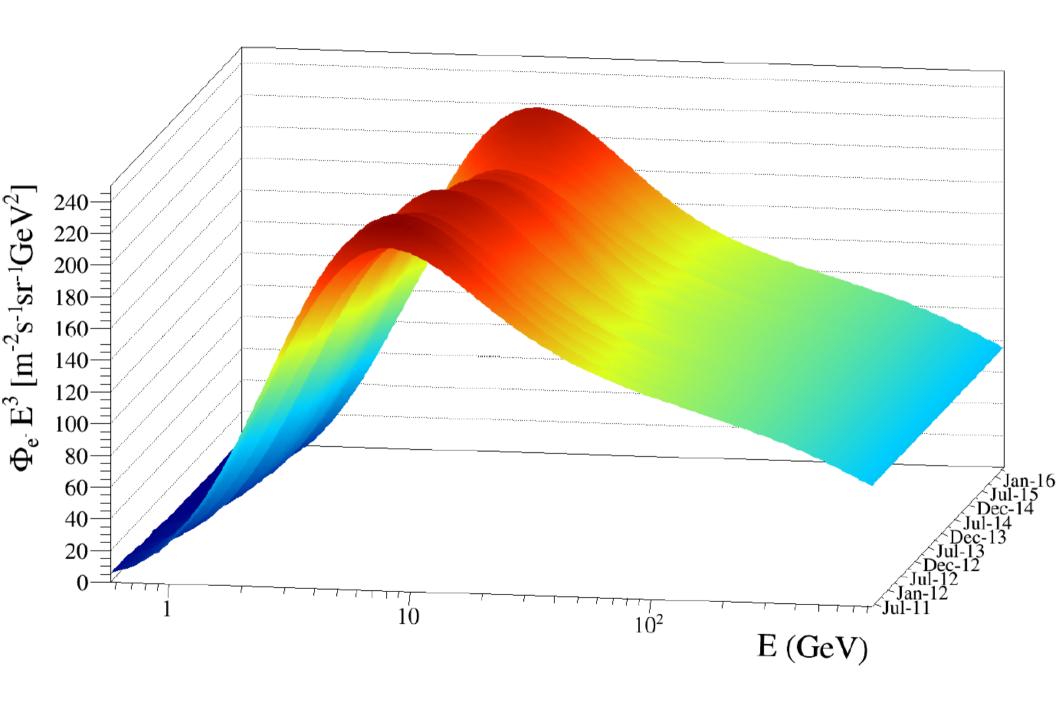


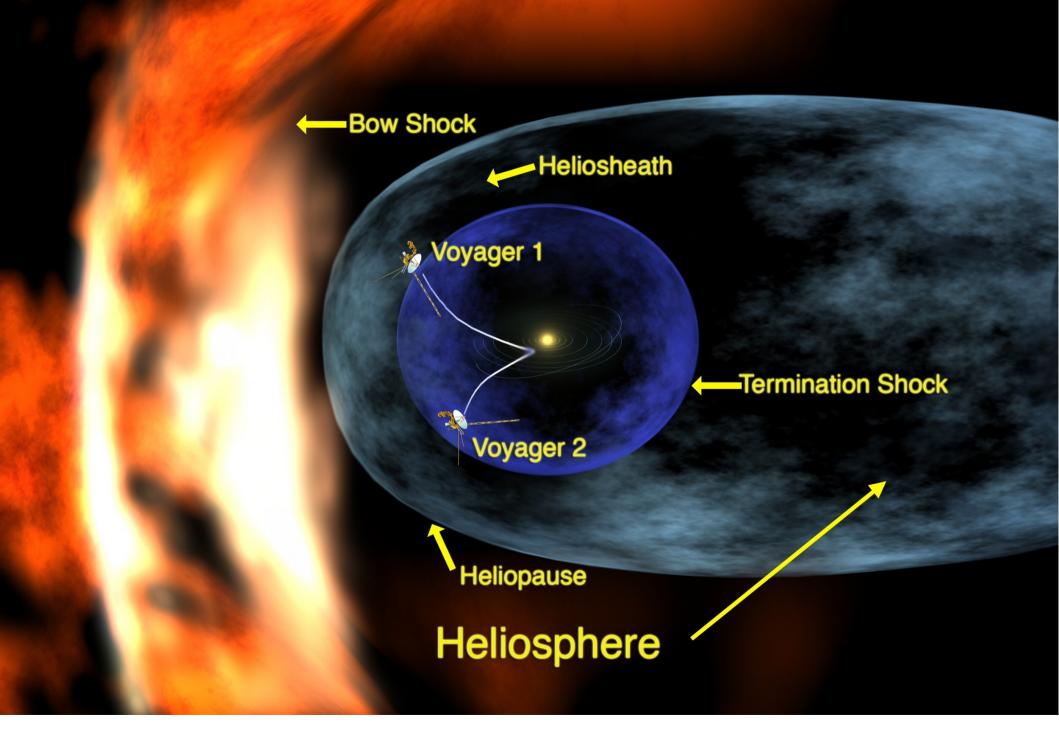
The significance of the energy cutoff of the source term will have increased to  $>5\sigma$  in 2024.



Fluxes of protons, positrons, and electrons show a characteristic time dependence below ~20 GeV.

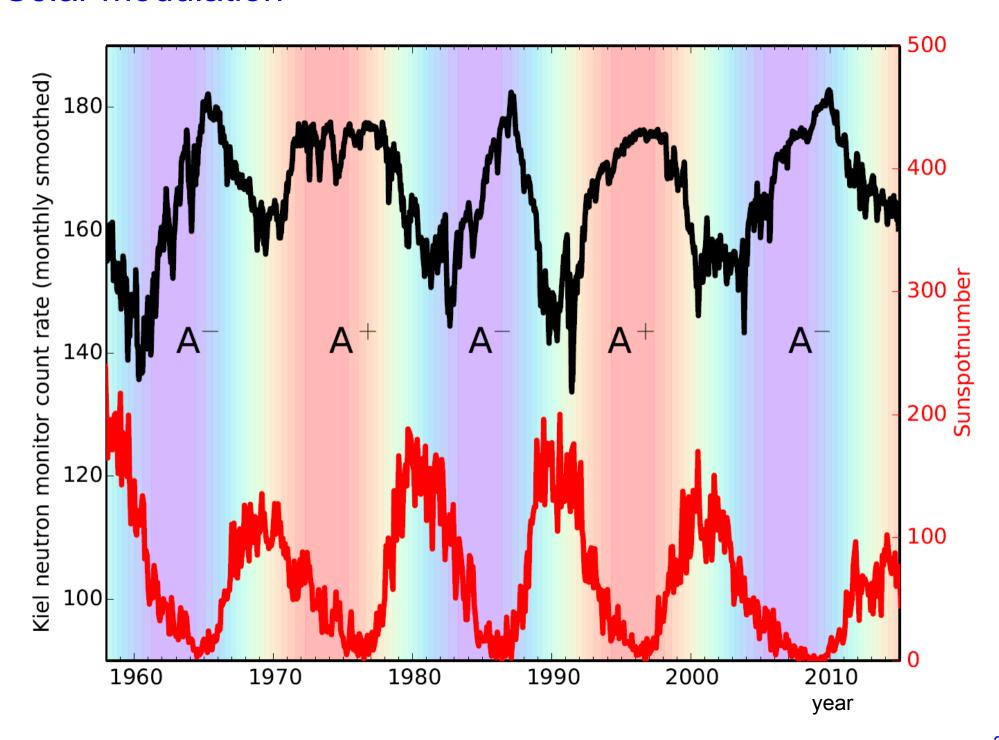
## AMS electron flux: June 2011 – May 2016



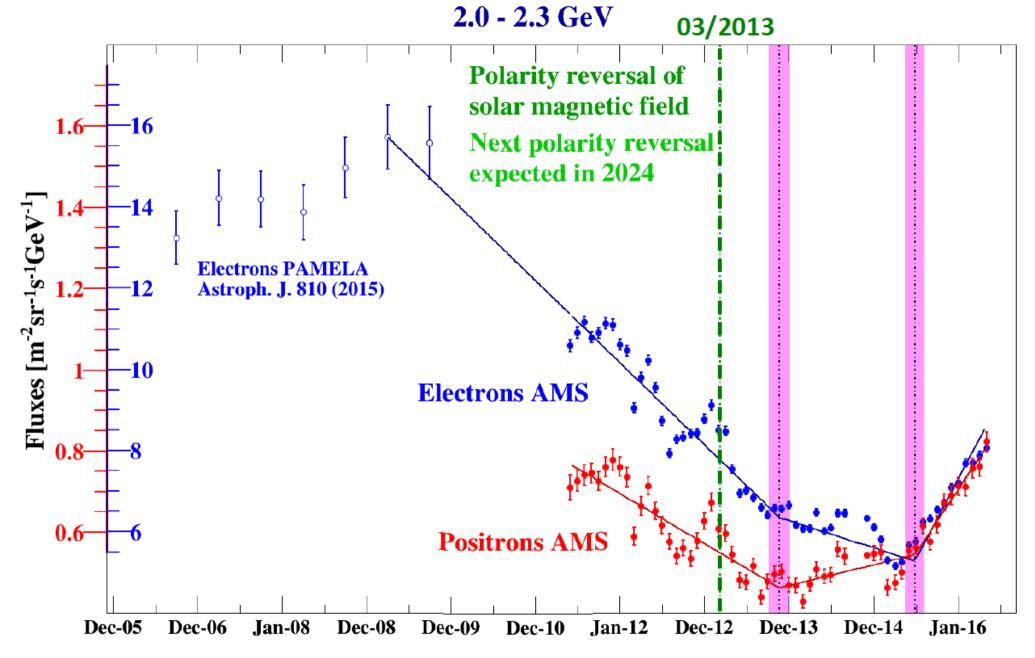


Cosmic rays interact with the heliosphere, which evolves with time.

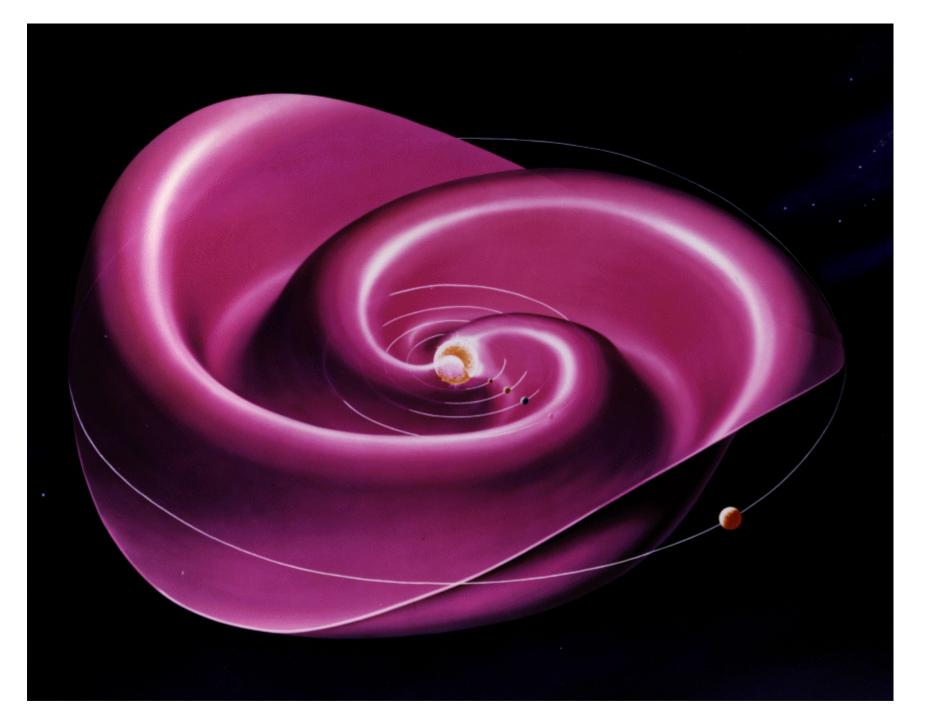
## Solar modulation



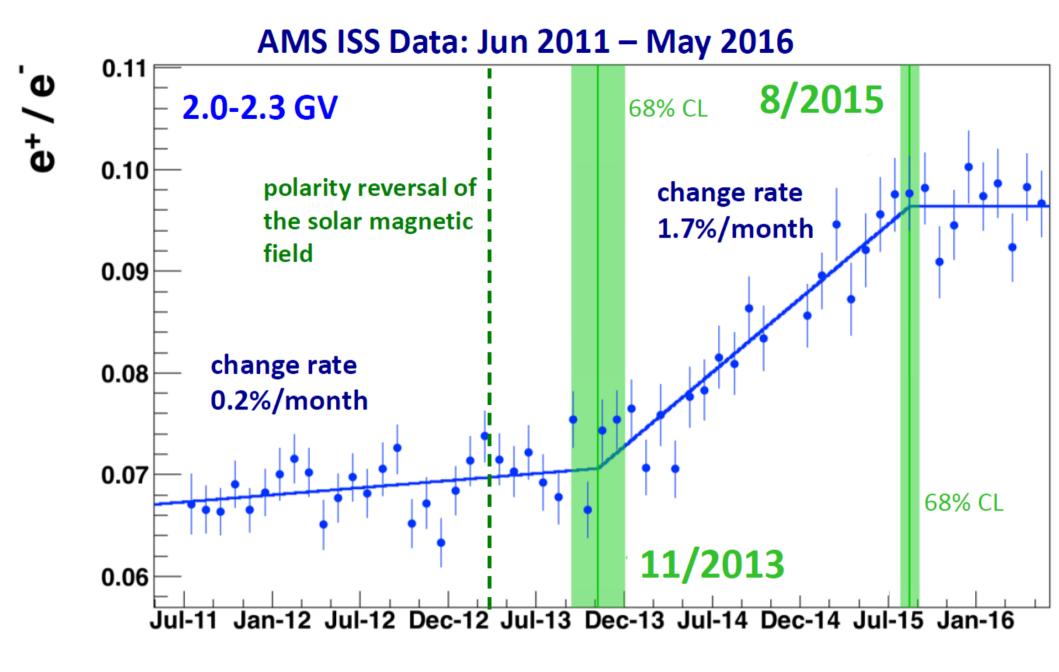
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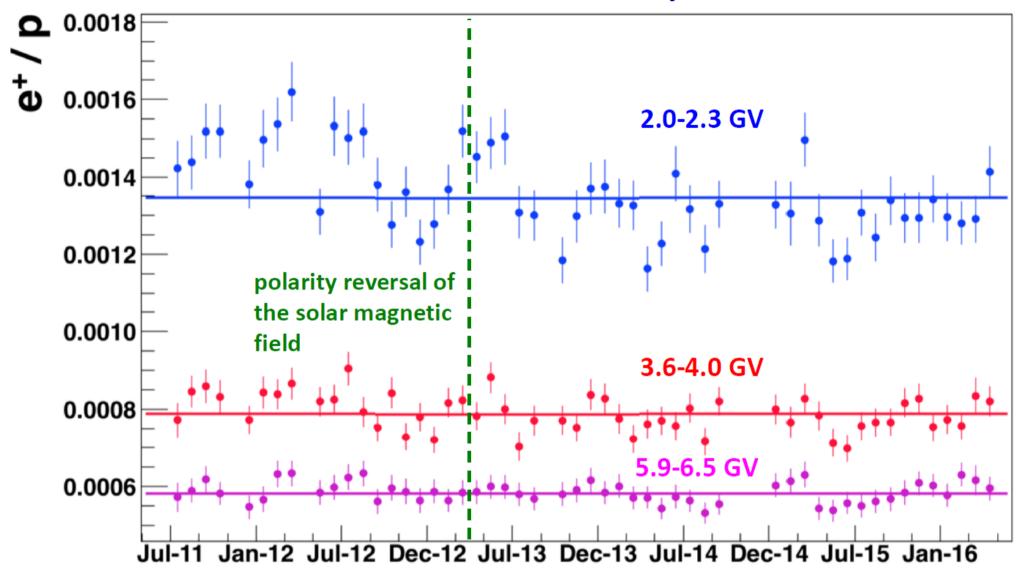
Positrons and electrons reveal charge-sign dependent solar modulation.



Complex structure of the solar magnetic field causes chargedependent modulation effects.



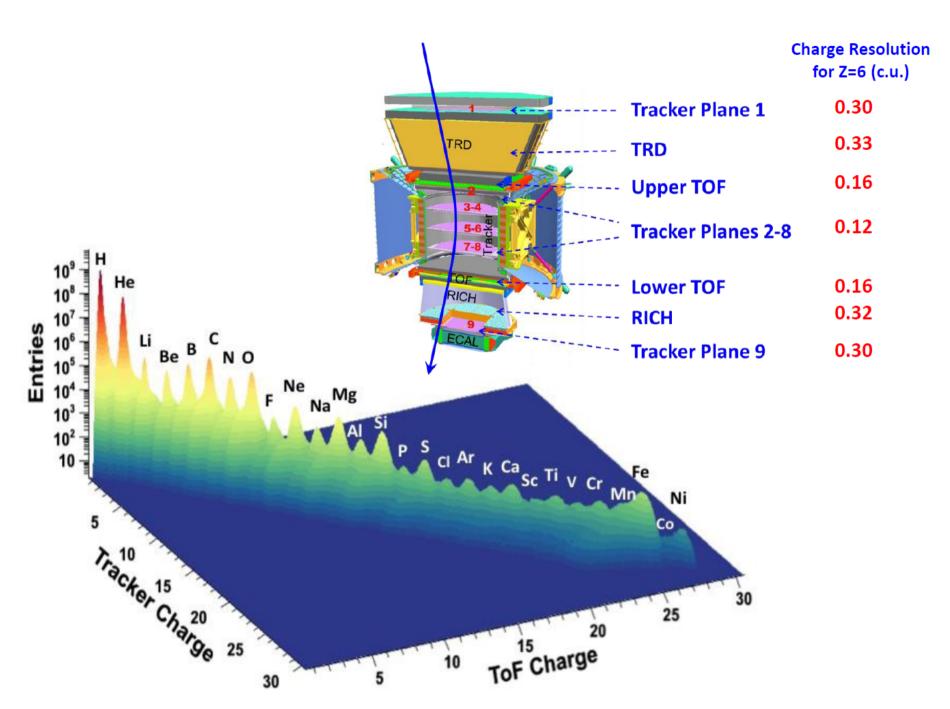
### AMS ISS Data: Jun 2011 – May 2016



The e<sup>+</sup>/p ratio does not show large variations as a function of time.

The full power of the high precision AMS data sets can only be explored after time-dependent effects are extracted and the data can be used to constrain the local interstellar spectra.

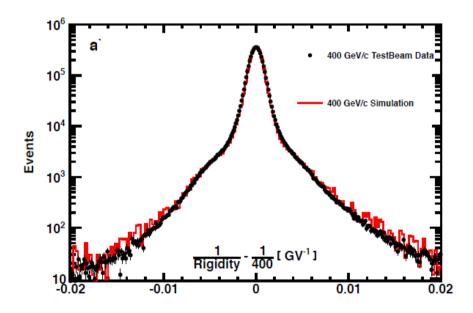
### Multiple measurements of charge



### **Tracker resolution**

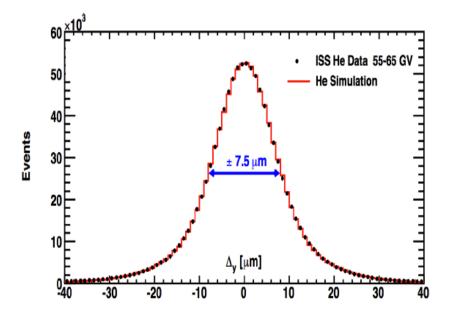
#### **Protons:**

- Resolution function from MC simulation
- Verified with:
  - 400 GeV/c Test Beams data
  - ISS data: tracker residuals, rigidity reconstruction (L1-L8) vs. (L2-L9)



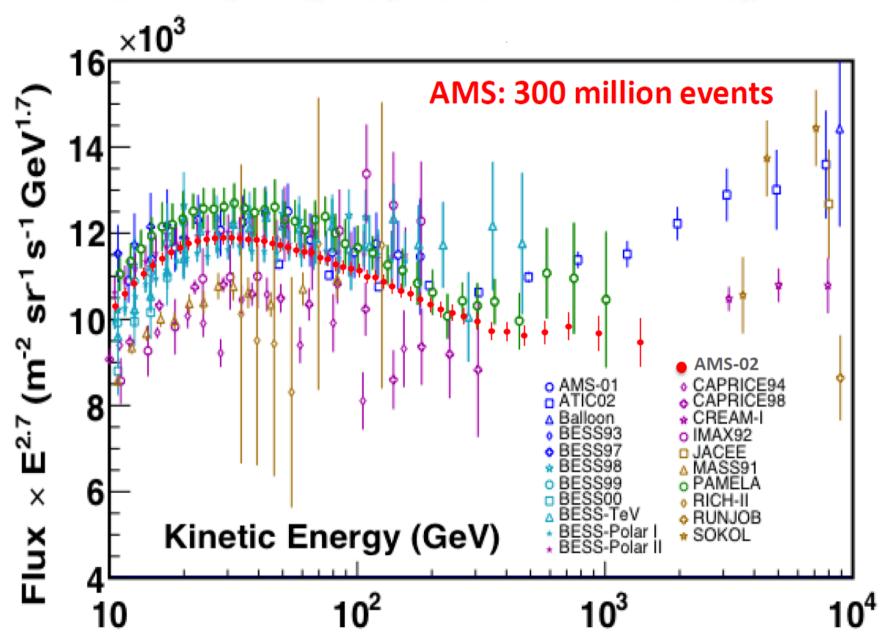
#### Helium:

- Resolution function from MC simulation
- Verified with ISS data:
  - Tracker residuals
  - Rigidity reconstruction (L1-L8) vs. (L2-L9)

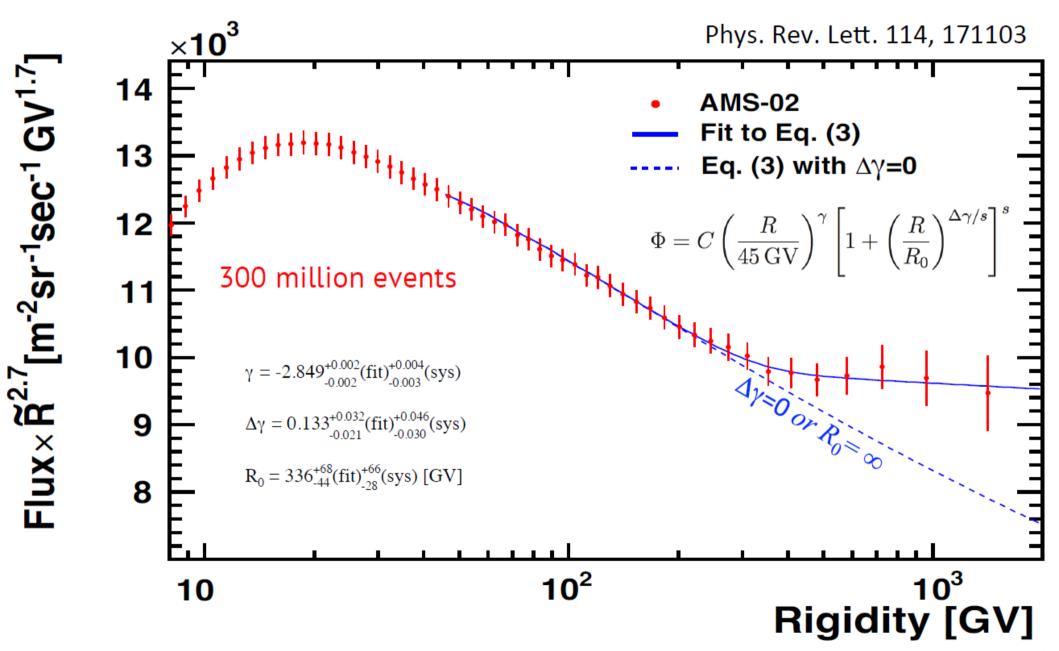


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Precision Measurement of the Proton Flux in Primary Cosmic Rays from Rigidity 1 GV to 1.8 TV with the Alpha Magnetic Spectrometer on the International Space Station



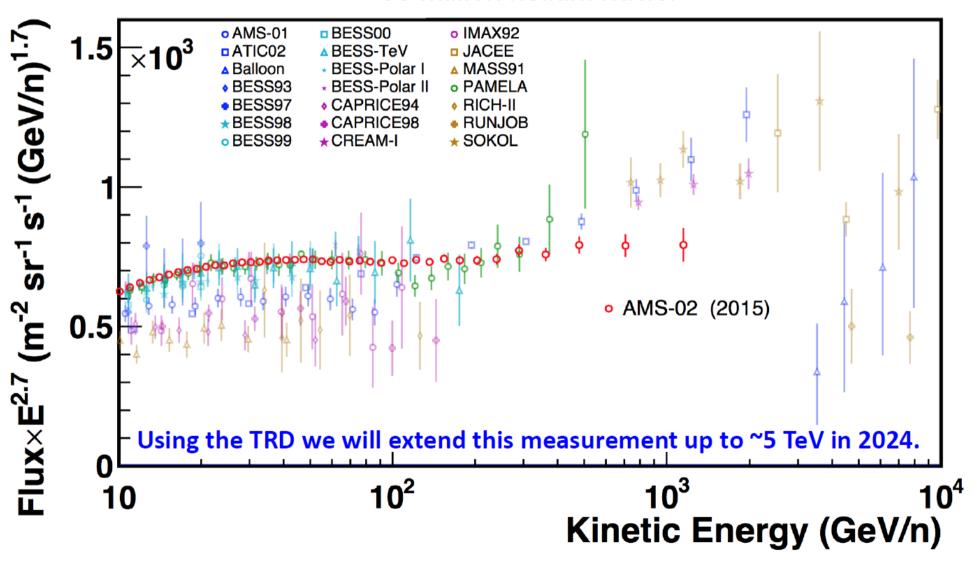
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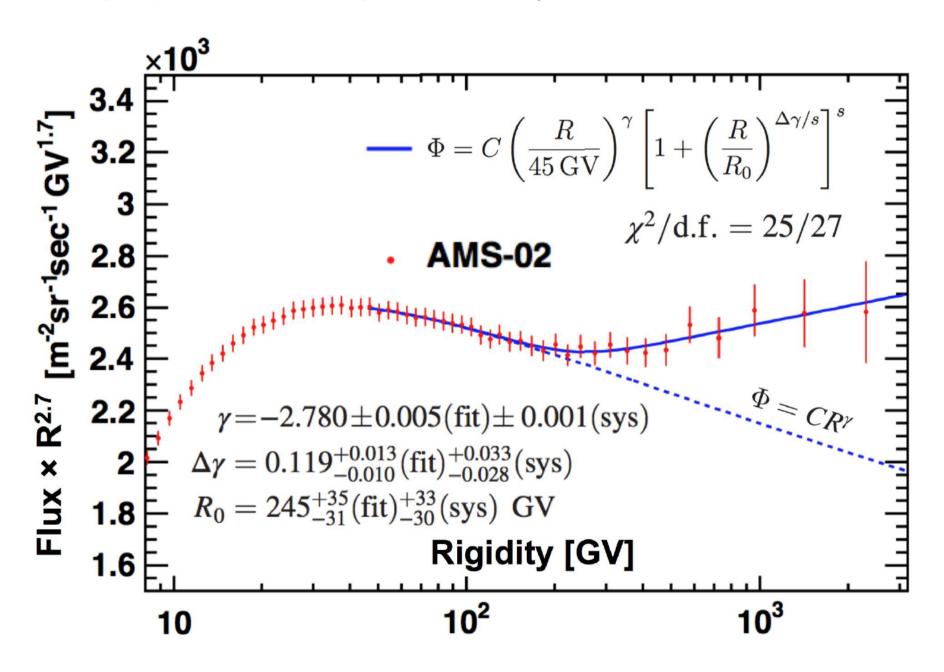


Precision Measurement of the Helium Flux in Primary Cosmic Rays of Rigidities 1.9 GV to 3 TV with the Alpha Magnetic Spectrometer on the International Space Station

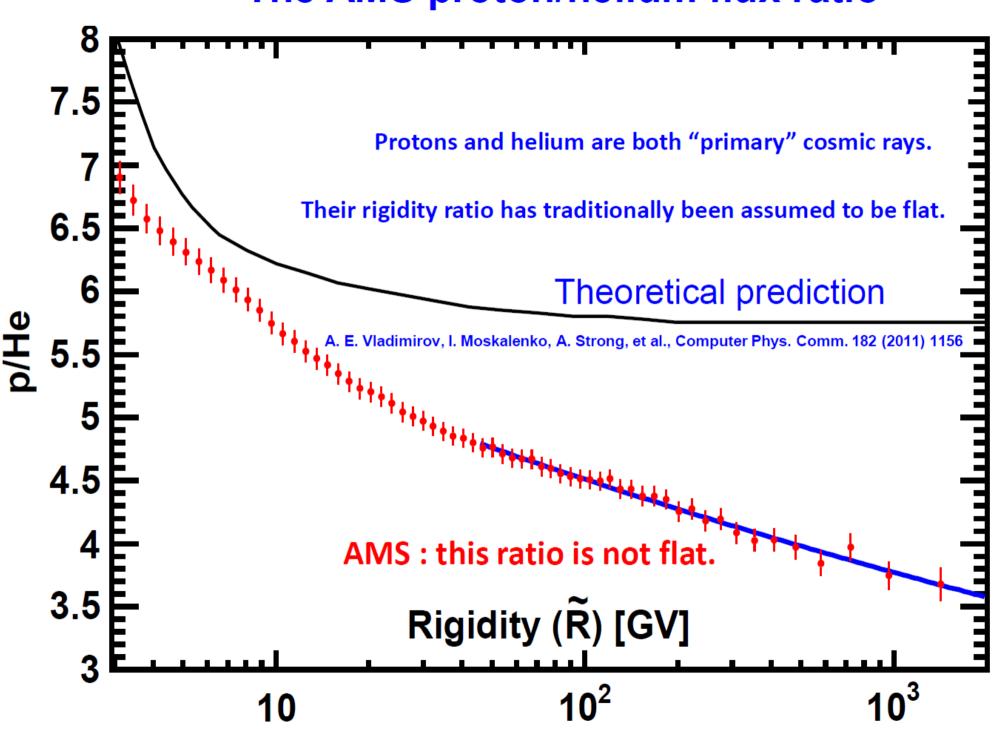
#### 50 million helium nuclei



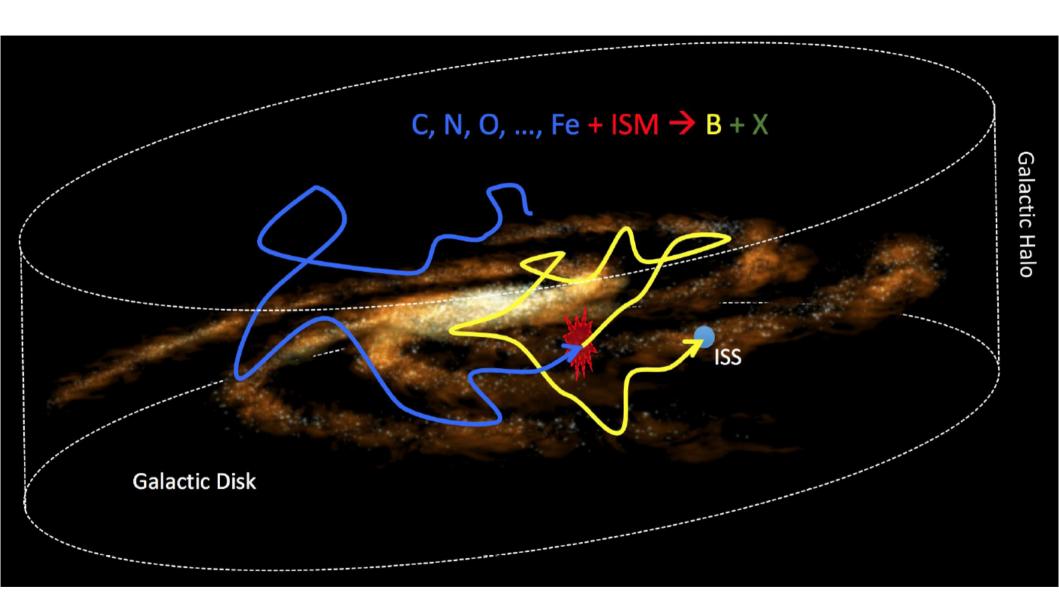
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## The AMS proton/helium flux ratio

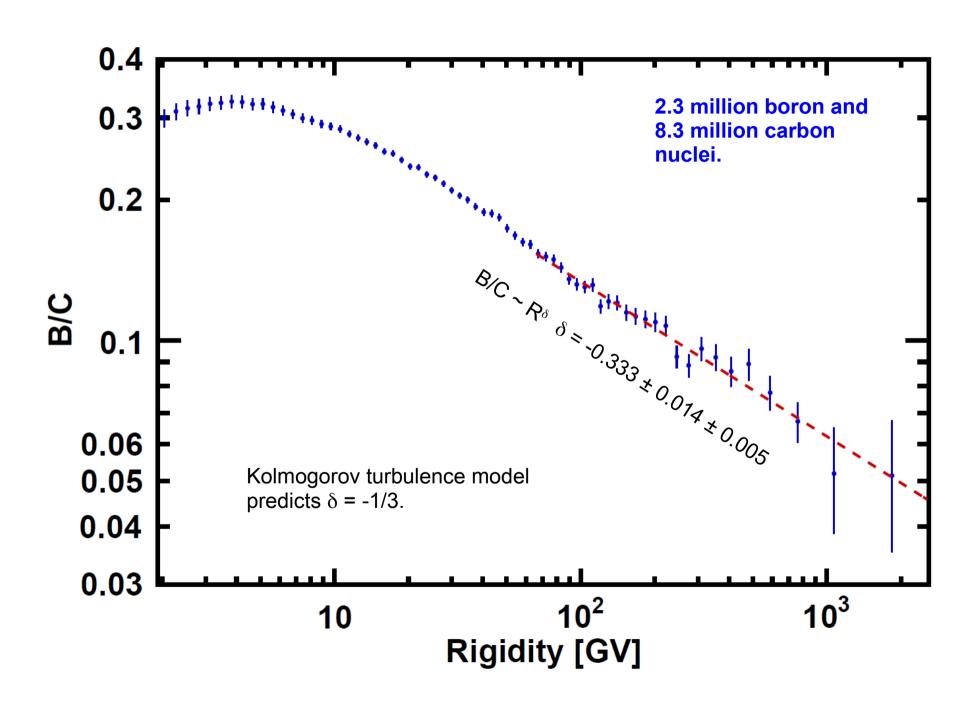


### Flux ratios: boron/carbon and cosmic-ray propagation



The boron-to-carbon ratio (B/C) is important in the determination of cosmic-ray propagation. Boron is assumed to be produced in the collision of primary cosmic rays, such as carbon, with the interstellar medium (ISM), hence the B/C ratio provides information on cosmic-ray propagation.

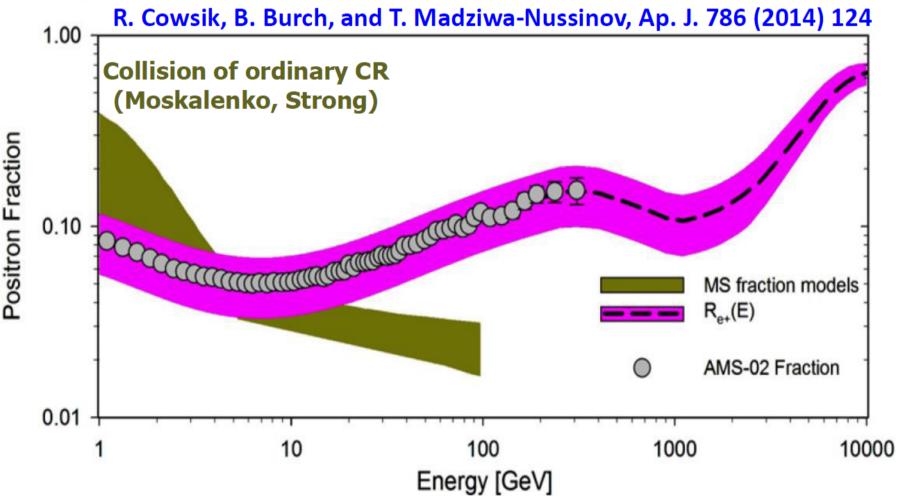
### B/C ratio measured by AMS



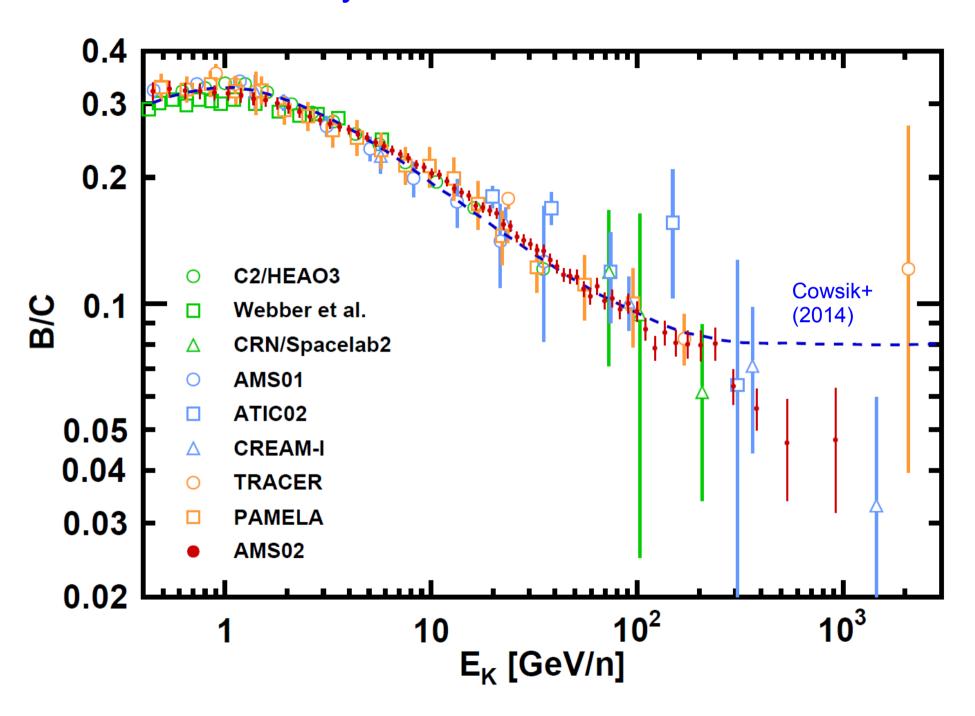
# Theoretical models to explain the AMS positron fraction. Among the 100's of models there are three classes:

- a) dark matter
- b) new forms of propagation
- c) pulsars.

### **b)** An example of new propagation:



### B/C ratio measured by AMS

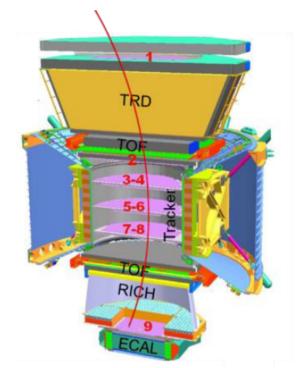


# Antiproton analysis

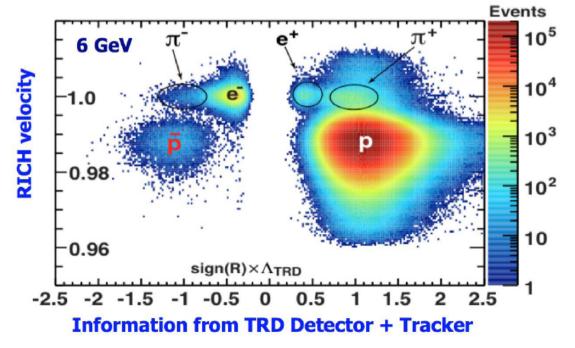
6.5 · 10<sup>10</sup> cosmic rays

3.49 · 10<sup>5</sup> antiprotons

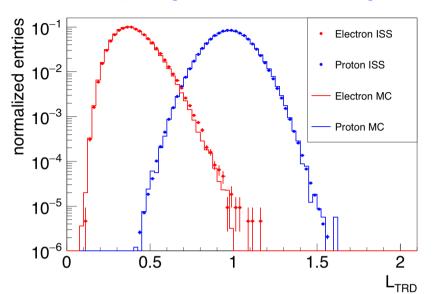
2.42 · 109 protons



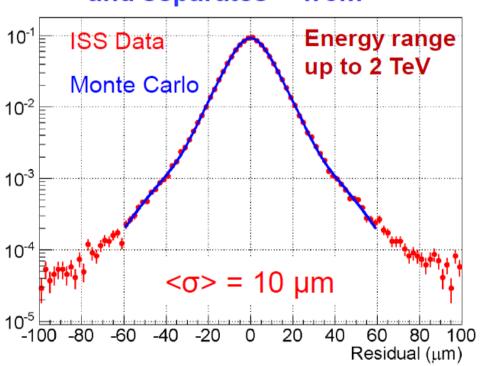
#### 3. RICH measures velocity,



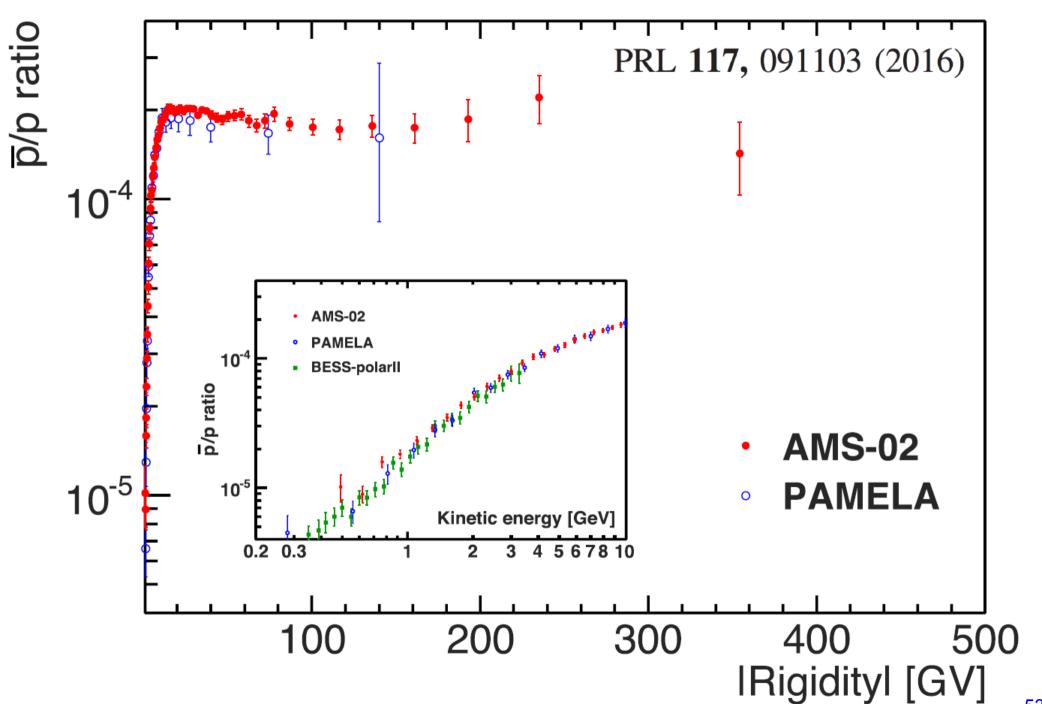
# 1. TRD (transition radiation) to separate e<sup>±</sup> from p<sup>±</sup>



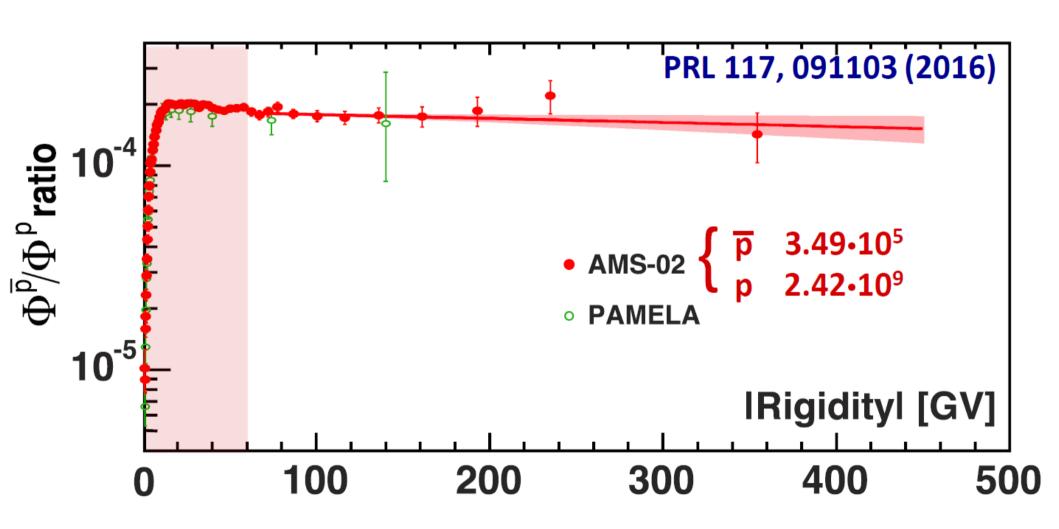
# 2. Tracker measures momentum and separates + from -



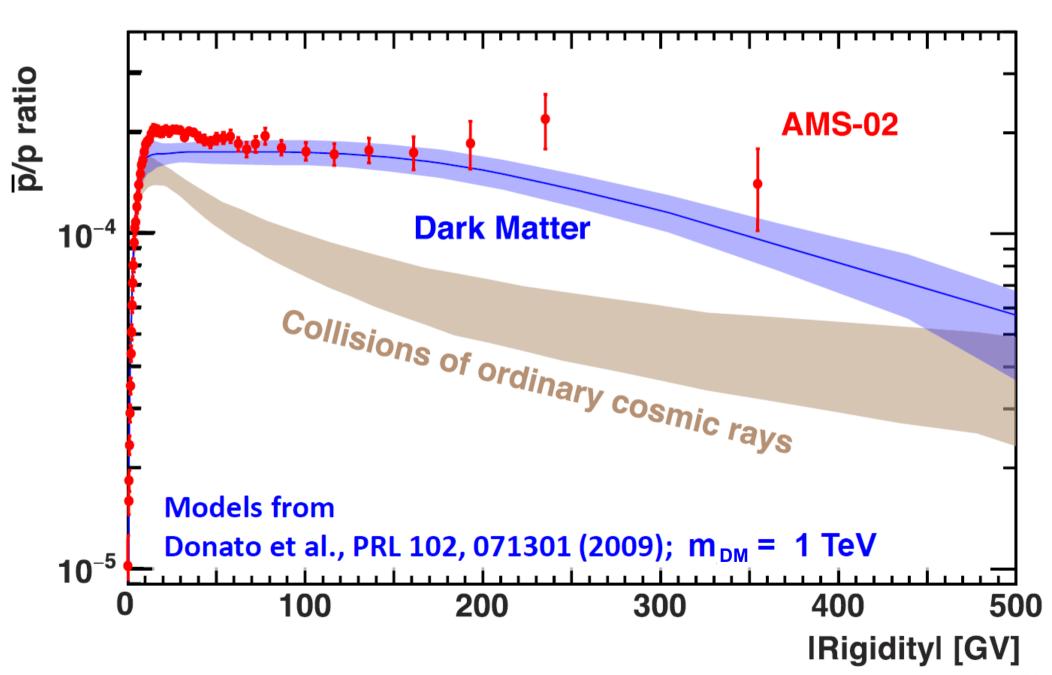
## AMS results on the pp/p flux ratio

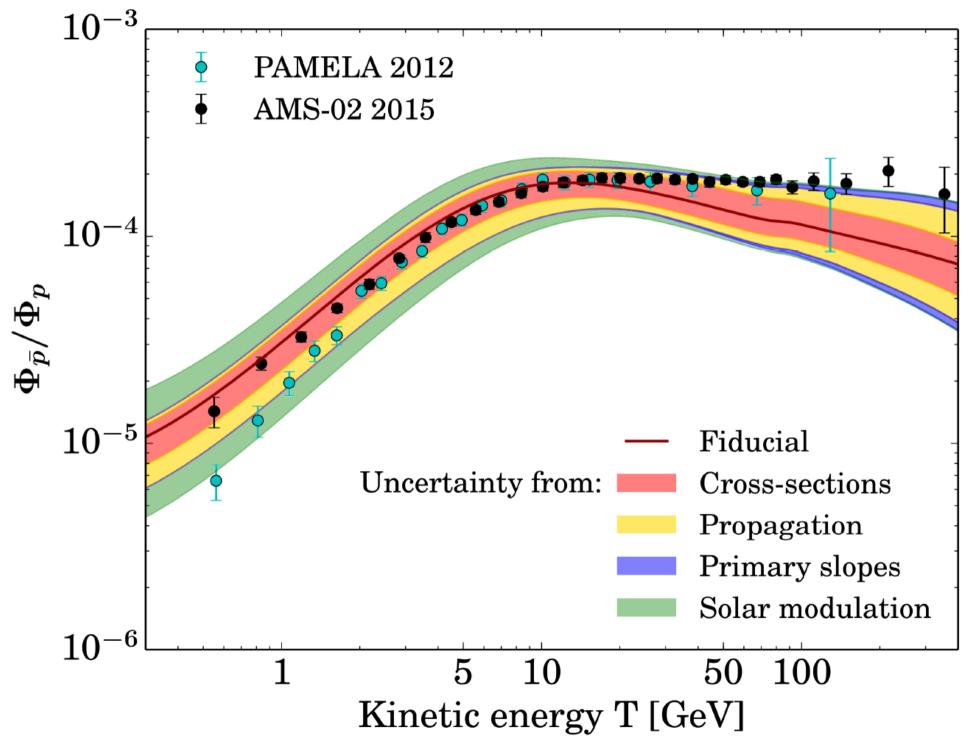


# Unexpected Result Flux Ratio of Elementary Particles p/p is energy independent above 60 GeV

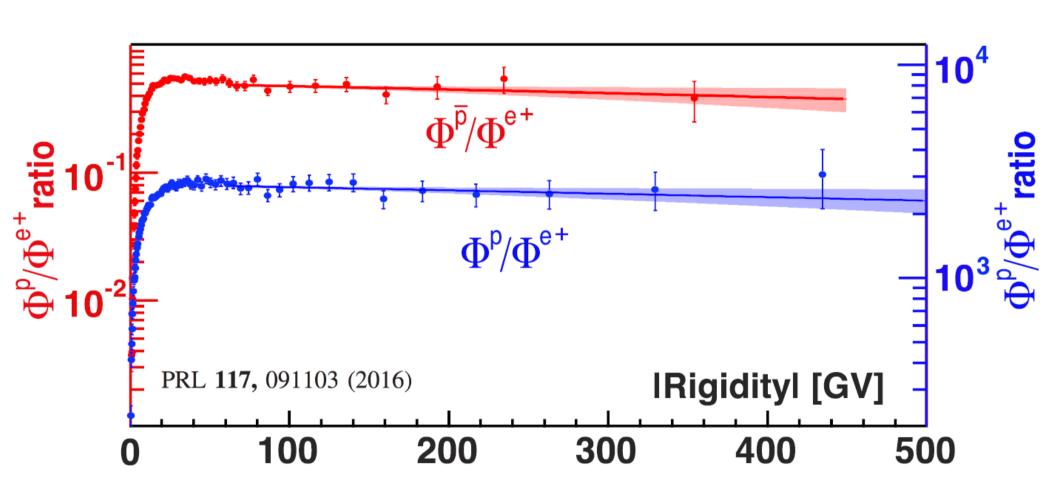


## AMS p/p results and modeling

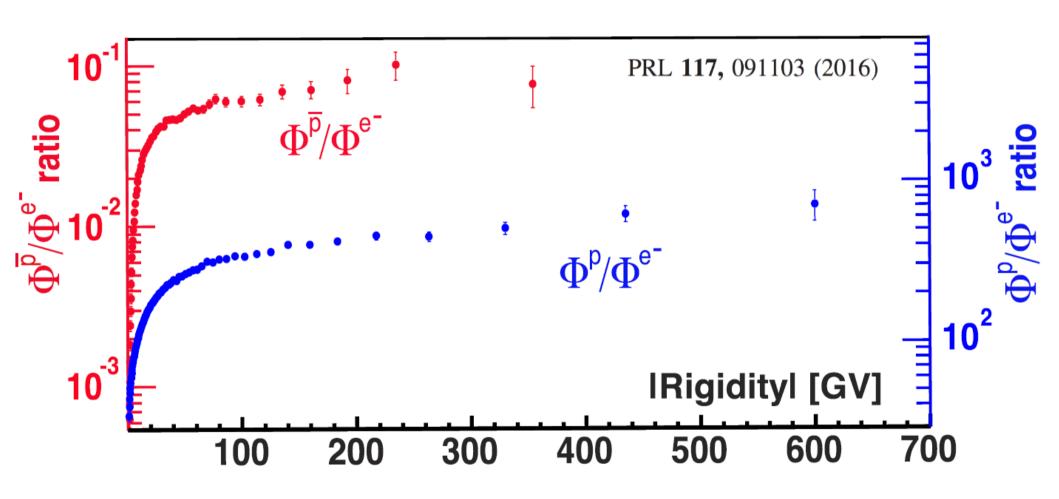




# Flux Ratios p/e+ and p/e+ are also energy independent in the interval 60-450 GV

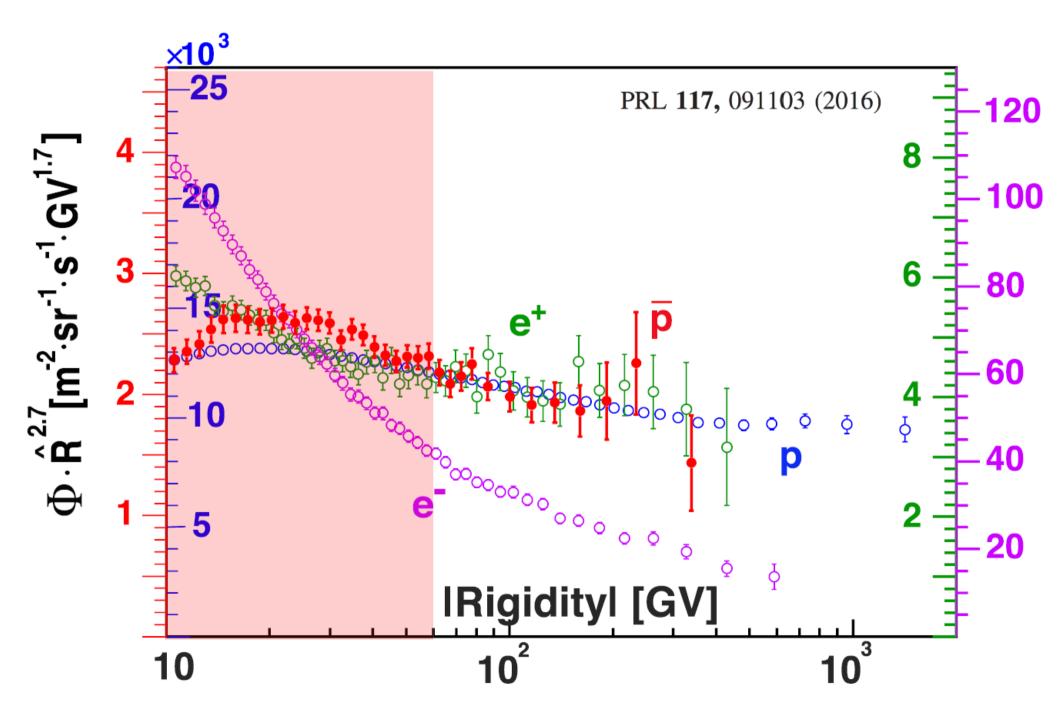


# Flux Ratios p/e and p/e are not energy independent in the interval 60-450 GV



As expected: significant energy losses of e<sup>-</sup> due to synchrotron radiation

### Summary: AMS results on fluxes of elementary particles



### **Summary**

- Proton and helium show power-law fluxes for E > ~30 GeV.
- Both have a spectral break at E~300 GeV, and p/He is not constant.
- Strong constraints on models for cosmic-ray propagation from B/C data.
- Electron flux is smaller and significantly softer than the proton flux.
- Evidence for charge-sign dependent solar modulation.
- Above E~30 GeV, antiprotons and positrons approximately exhibit powerlaw behaviour. Intriguingly,

$$\gamma_{e^{+}} \simeq \gamma_{\overline{p}} \approx \gamma_{p} + \frac{\Delta \gamma_{p}}{2}$$

$$\frac{\phi_{e^{+}}(E)}{\phi_{\overline{p}}(E)} \bigg|_{E \in [30.350] \text{ GeV}} \simeq (2.04 \pm 0.04) \times \left(\frac{E}{50 \text{ GeV}}\right)^{0.015 \pm 0.045}$$

According to Lipari (2016), expected antiproton-to-positron ratio for common origin in secondary production is  $1.8 \pm 0.5$ .