

The Science of the Pamela Space Mission

Payload for **A**ntimatter **M**atter **E**xploration
and **L**ight Nuclei **A**strophysics

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and Astroparticle Physics

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~100 years of Cosmic Rays Research

1912



*Discovery of radiation
from space*

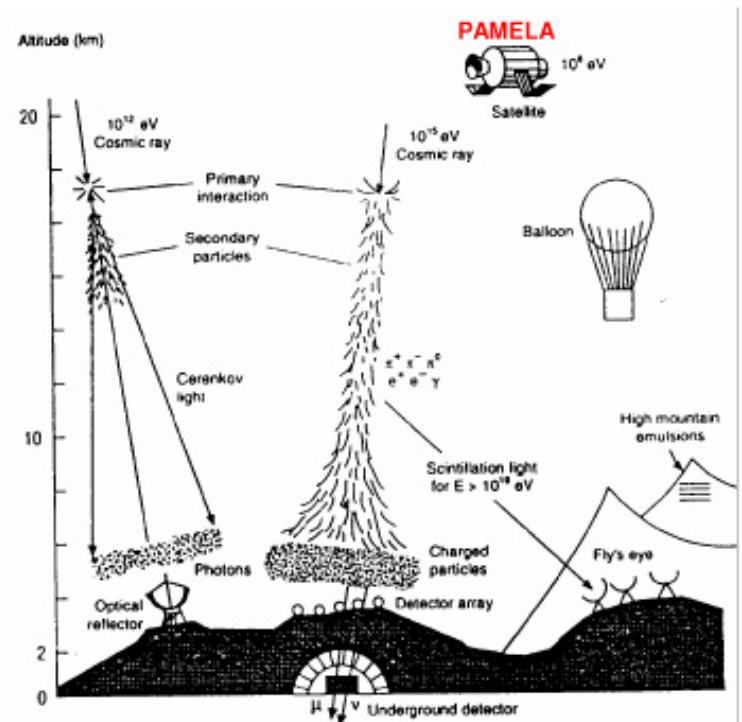
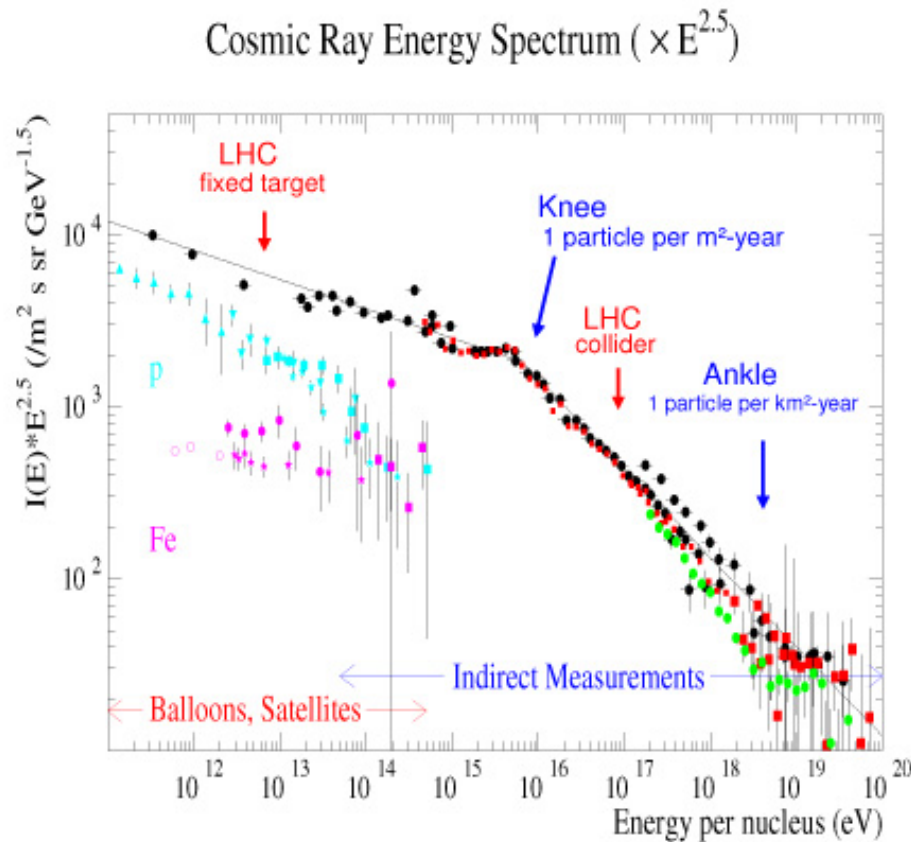
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The Main Questions in Cosmic Ray Research

- Where do the particles come from?
- How and where do they get accelerated?
- How do they propagate through the interstellar medium and what kind of interactions do they encounter?
- What role do they play in the energy budget of the interstellar medium?
- Do we find hints of the existing of “exotic “ particles. (Relict particles from the early Univers)? [Dark Matter](#) , [Antimatter](#)

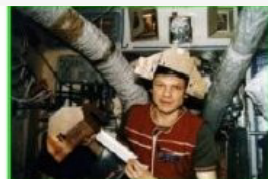
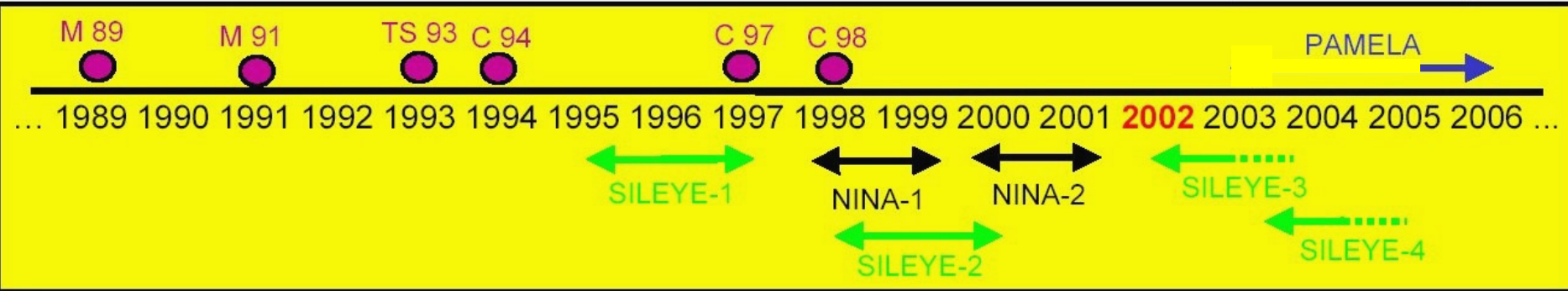
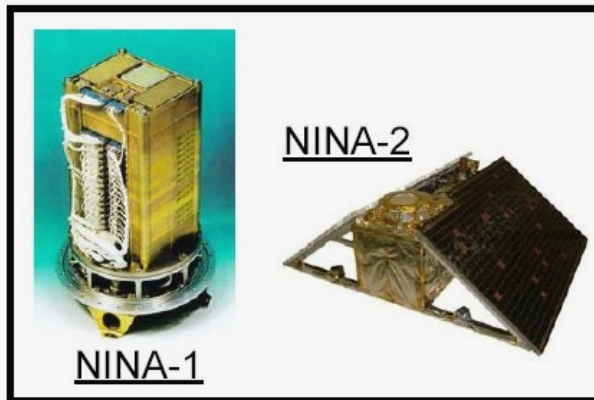
The Cosmic Ray Energy Spectrum and various Techniques of their Measurements



WiZard

RIM Program

MASS-89, 91, TS-93,
CAPRICE 94-97-98



SILEYE-1



SILEYE-2



ALTEINO: SILEYE-3



ALTEA:
SILEYE-4

NINA-RESURS

97° 810 km

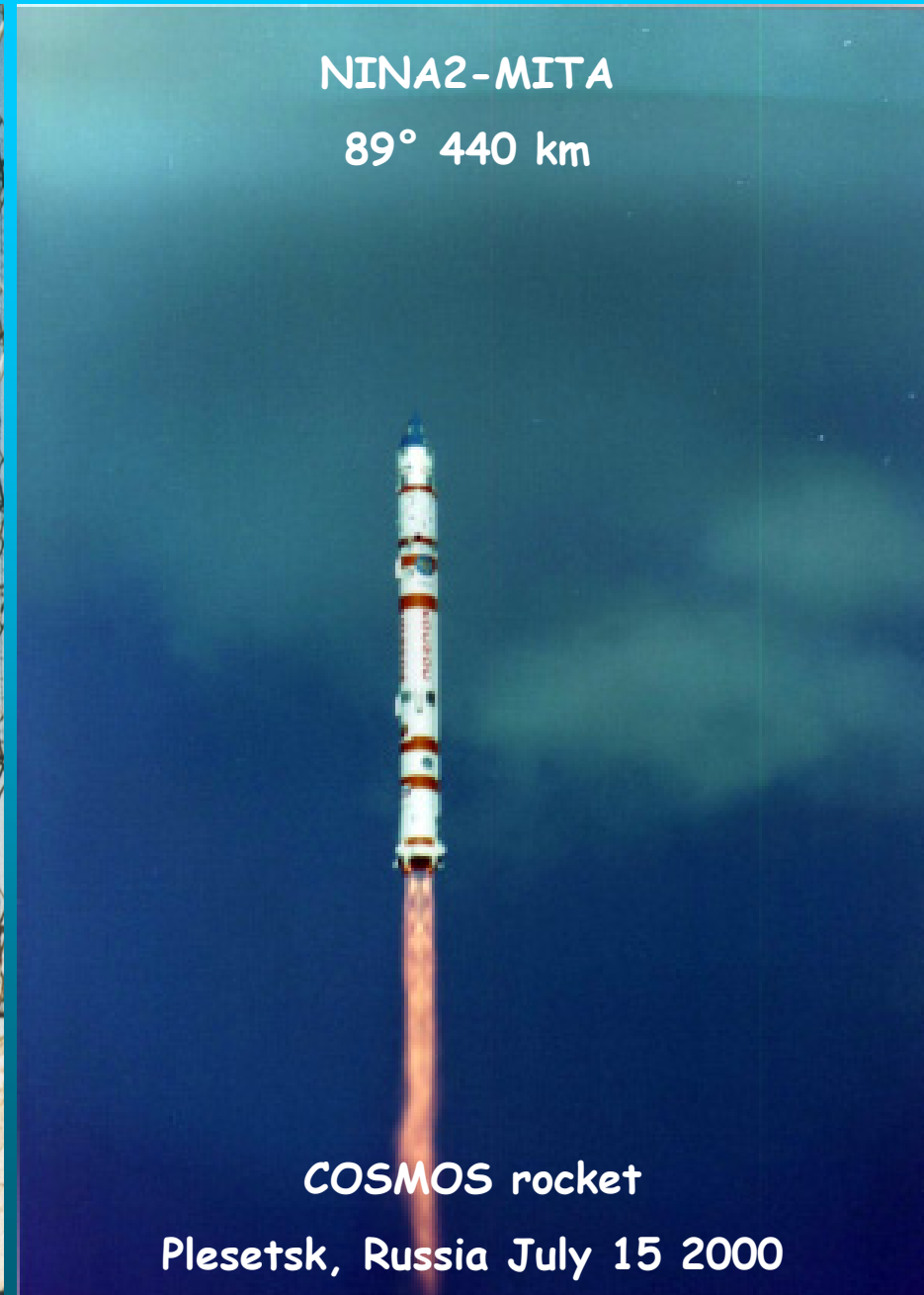


ZENIT rocket

Baikonur, Kazakhstan July 10 1998

NINA2-MITA

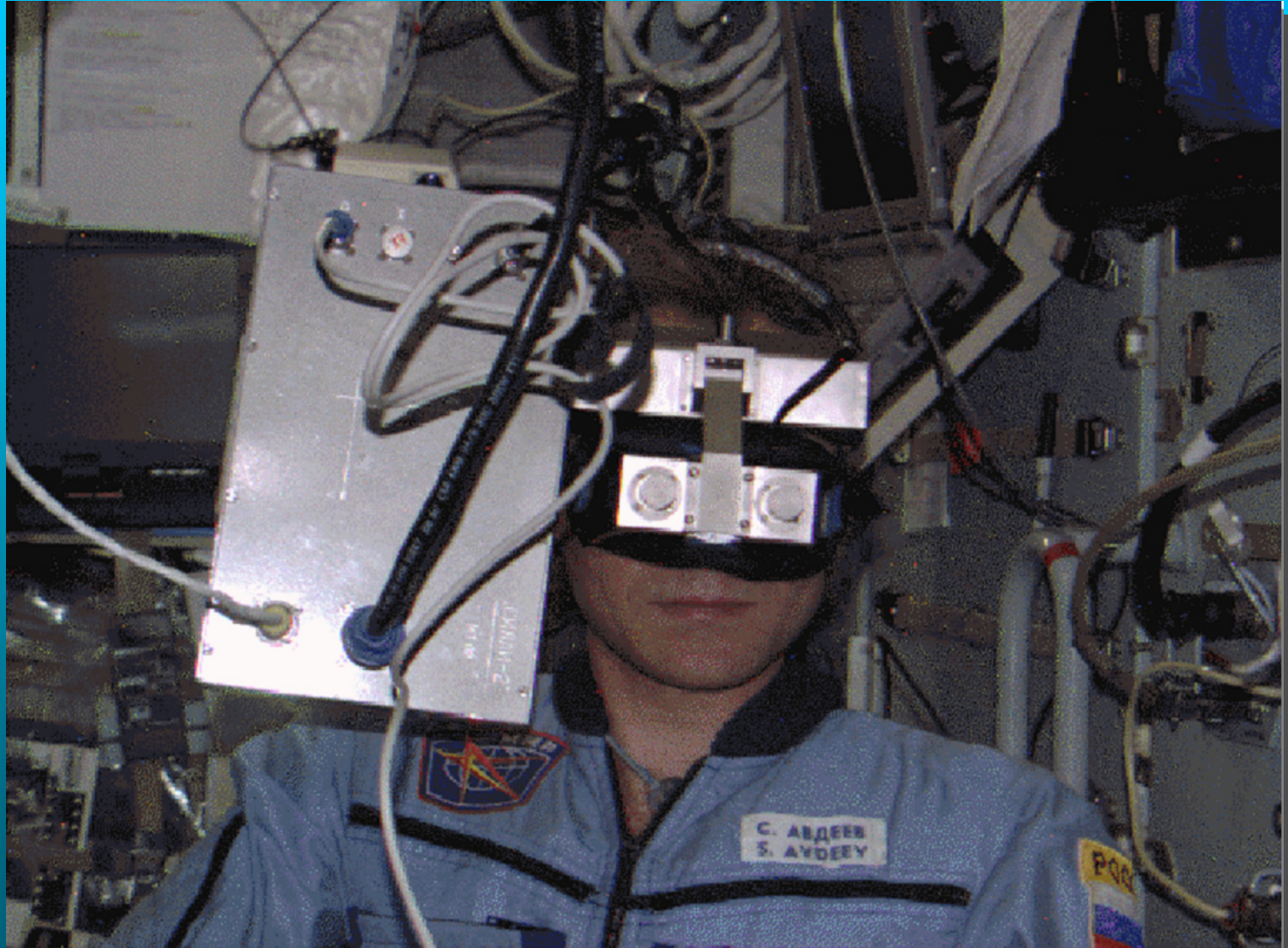
89° 440 km



COSMOS rocket

Plesetsk, Russia July 15 2000

Cosmonaut S. Avdeev during measurements with SilEye-2 apparatus on "Mir" Space Station



Pamela Collaboration

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Bari



Florence



Frascati



Naples



Rome



Trieste



CNR, Florence

Russia:



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St. Petersburg

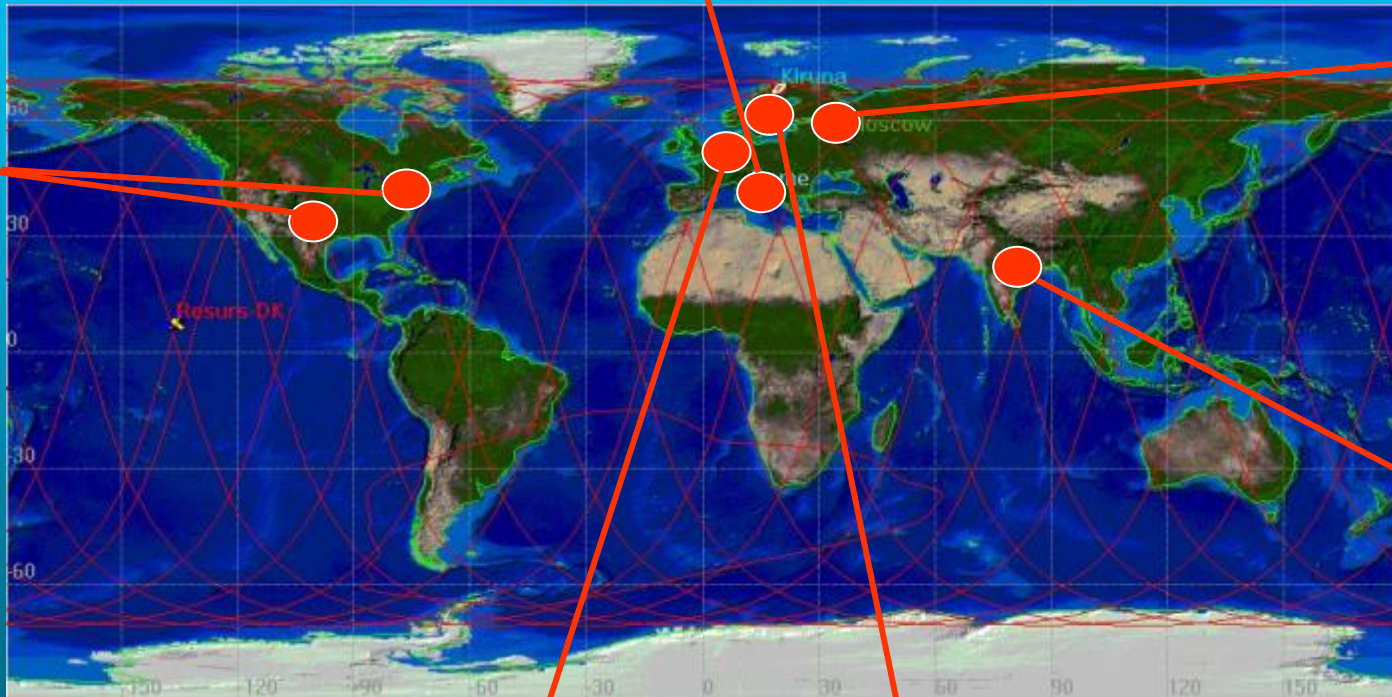
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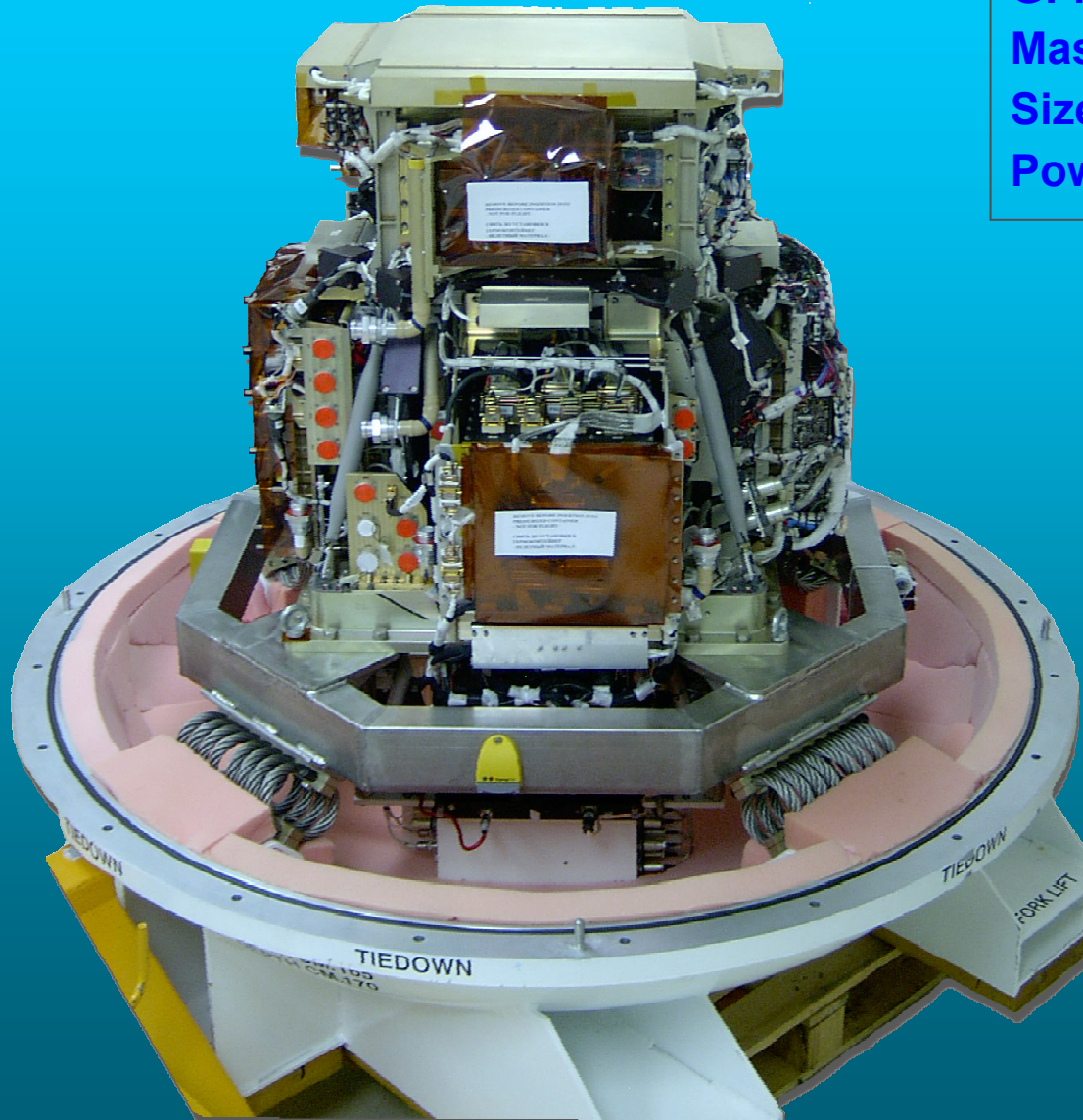
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Main Funding Agencies

- Roscosmos Russia
- RAS Russia
- INFN Italy
- ASI Italy
- MIUR Italy
- MAE Italy
- DLR Germany
- SNSB Sweden

Pamela Flight Model

GF: 20.5 cm² sr
Mass: 470 kg
Size: 120x40x45 cm³
Power Budget: 360W



PAMELA detectors

ToF

Anticoincidence shield

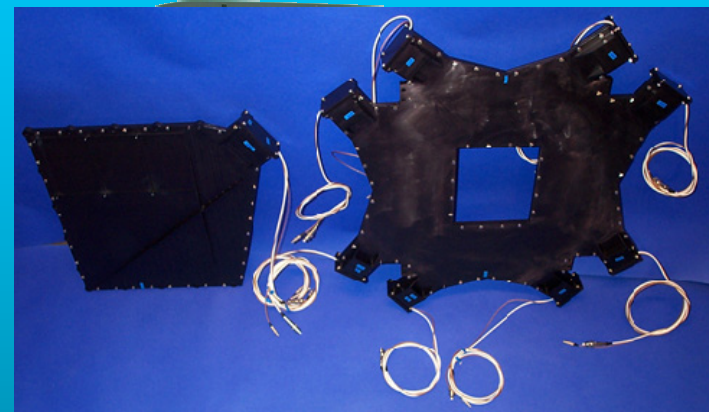
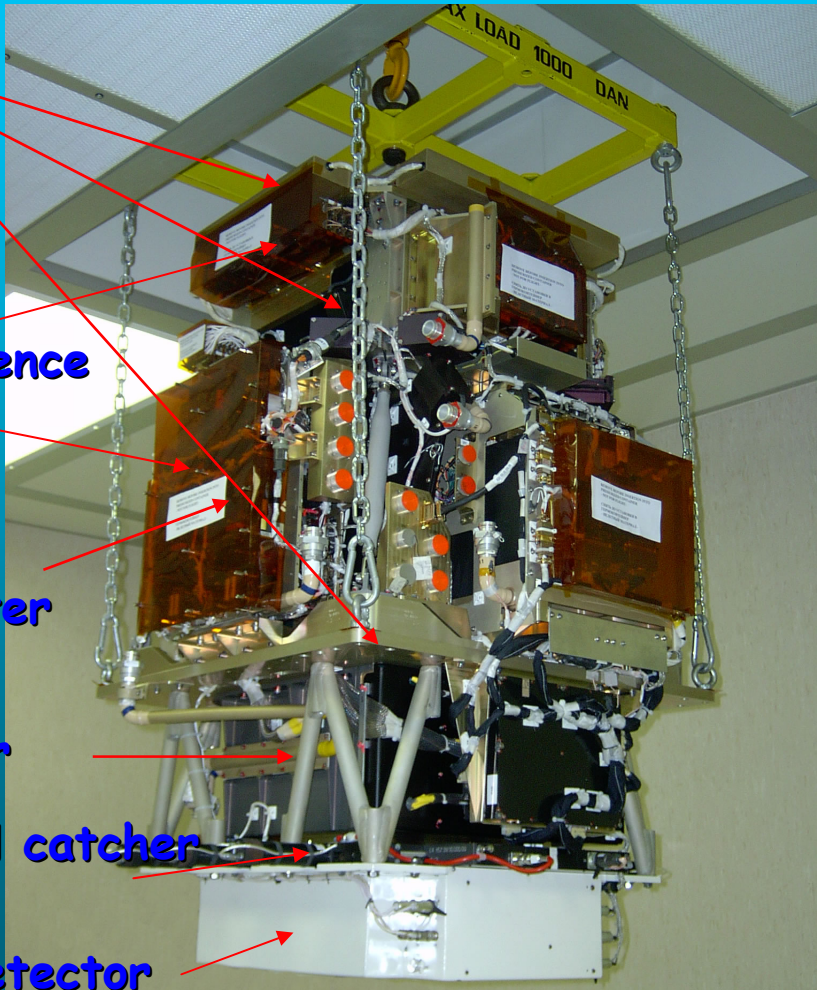
Magnetic spectrometer

Calorimeter

Shower tail catcher

Scintillator

Neutron Detector

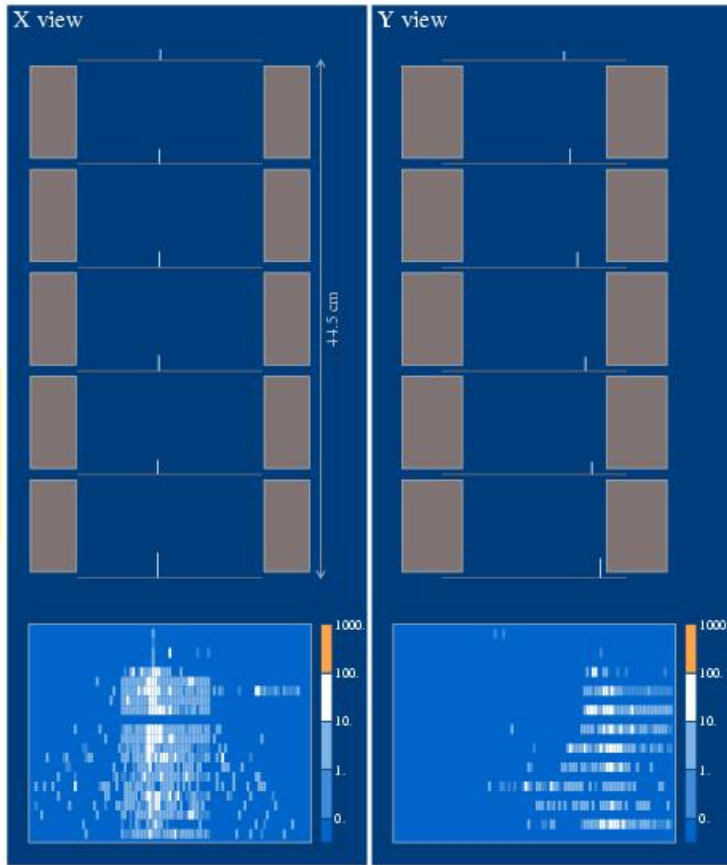


Particle identification

ANTICOINCIDENCE SHIELD

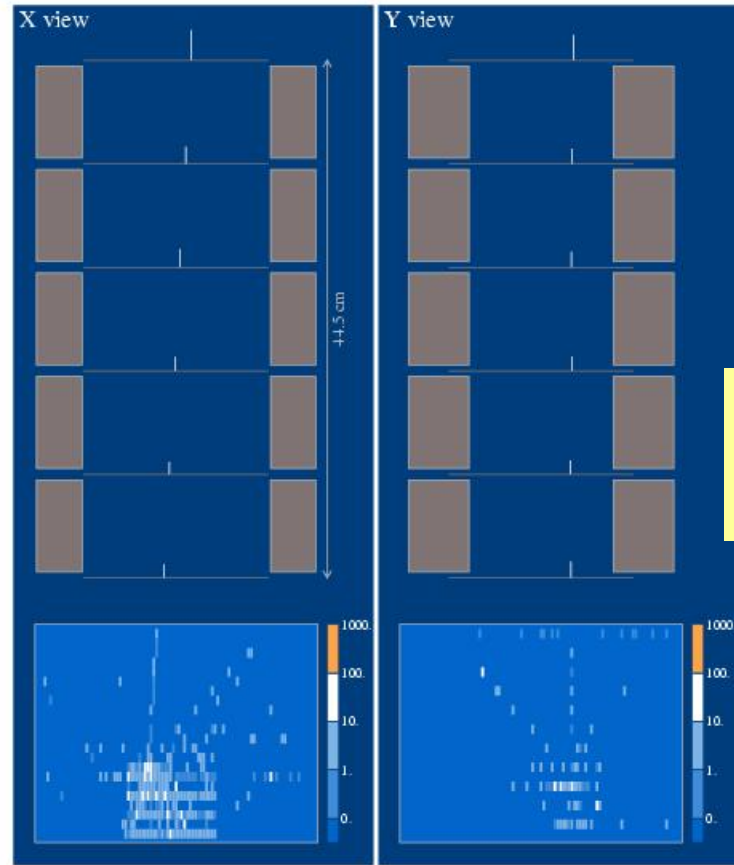
- Scintillator paddles 10 mm thick
- Dynamic range of 1÷1000 mip
between very high energy
electron and proton
components

Pamela Calibration



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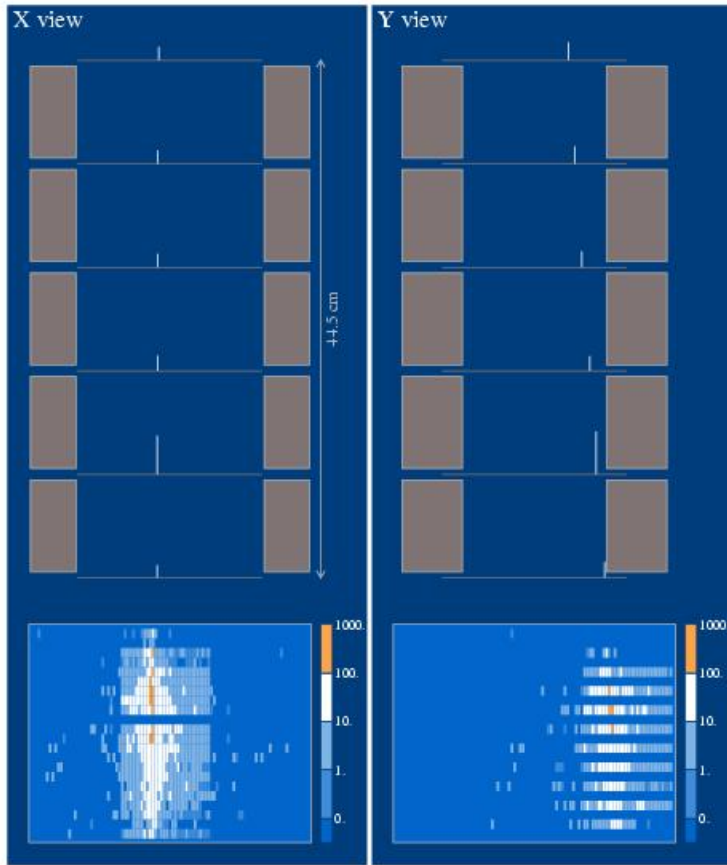
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Beam
Data: p
50 GeV/c



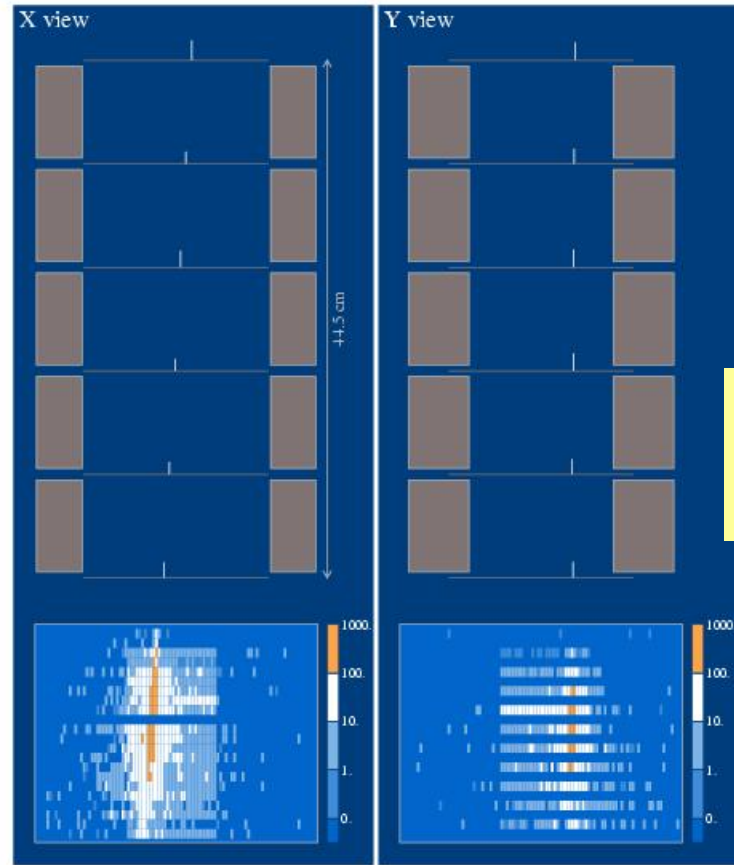
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Pamela Calibration



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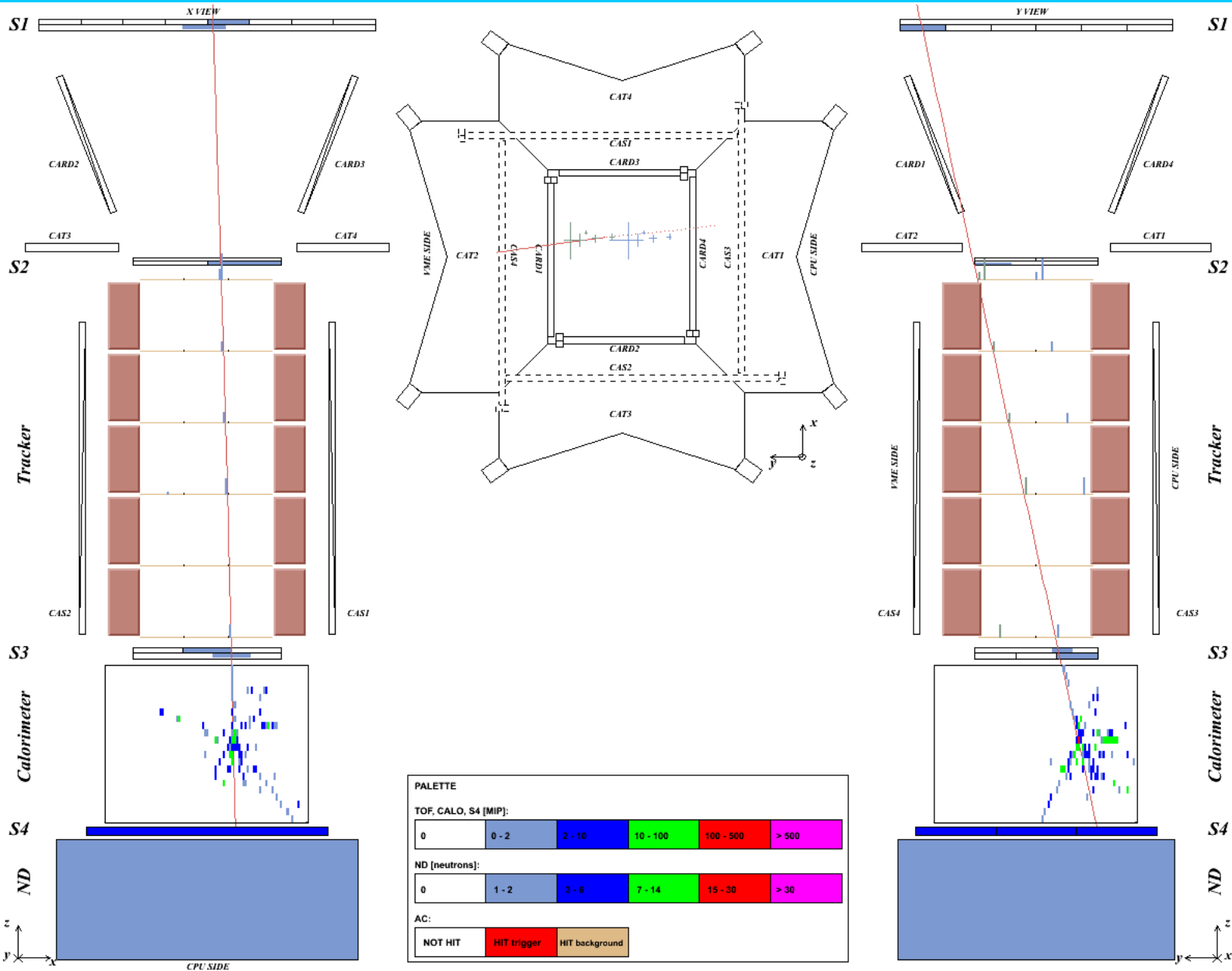


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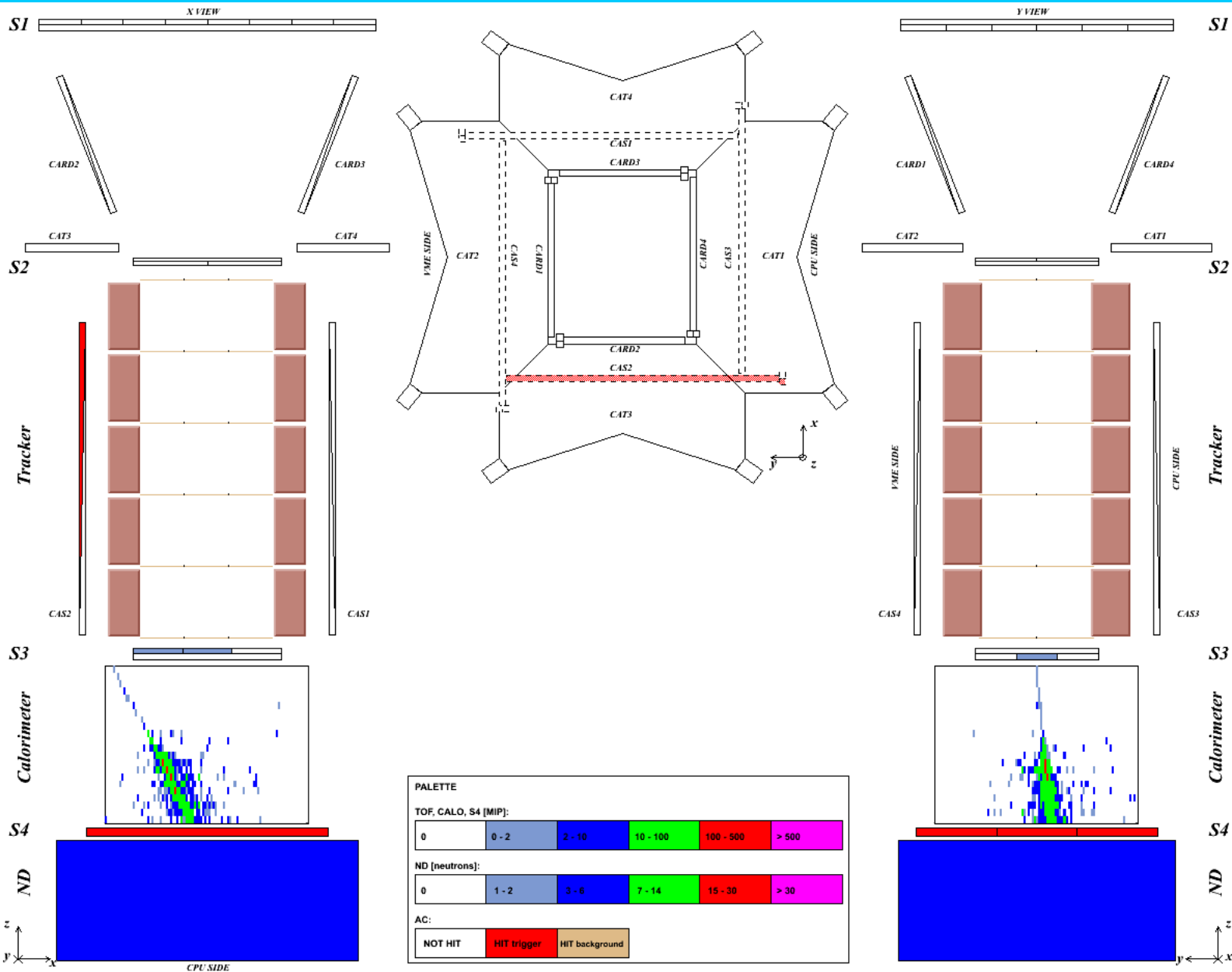
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PAMELA Event



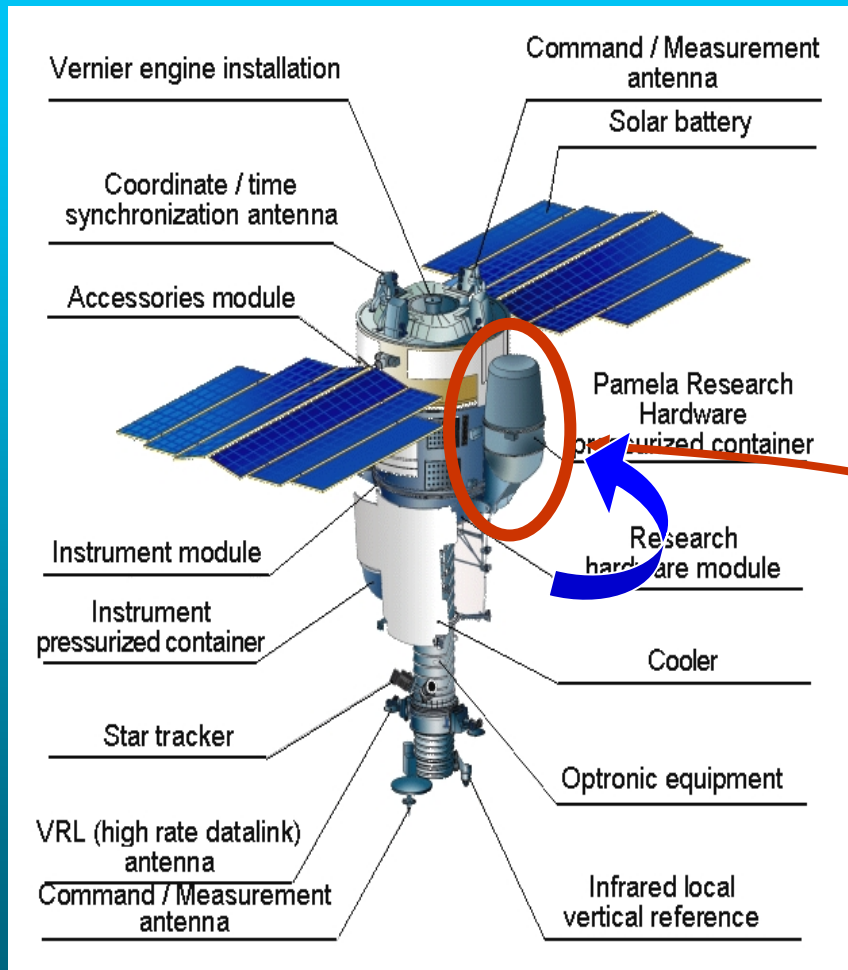
Ground Data
Hadron:
6.6 GV

PAMELA Event

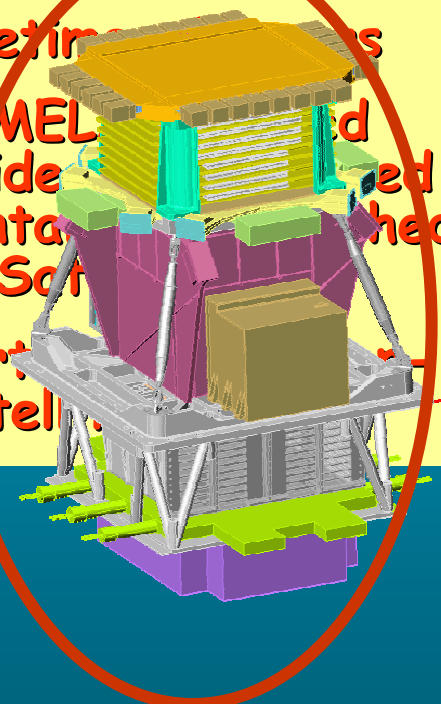


Calorimeter Self Trigger

The Satellite: Resurs DK1



- Soyuz-TM Launcher from Baikonur
- Launch end 2005 - beginning 2006
- Lifetime 1.5 years
- PAMEL is installed inside the satellite container
- Earth observation satellite

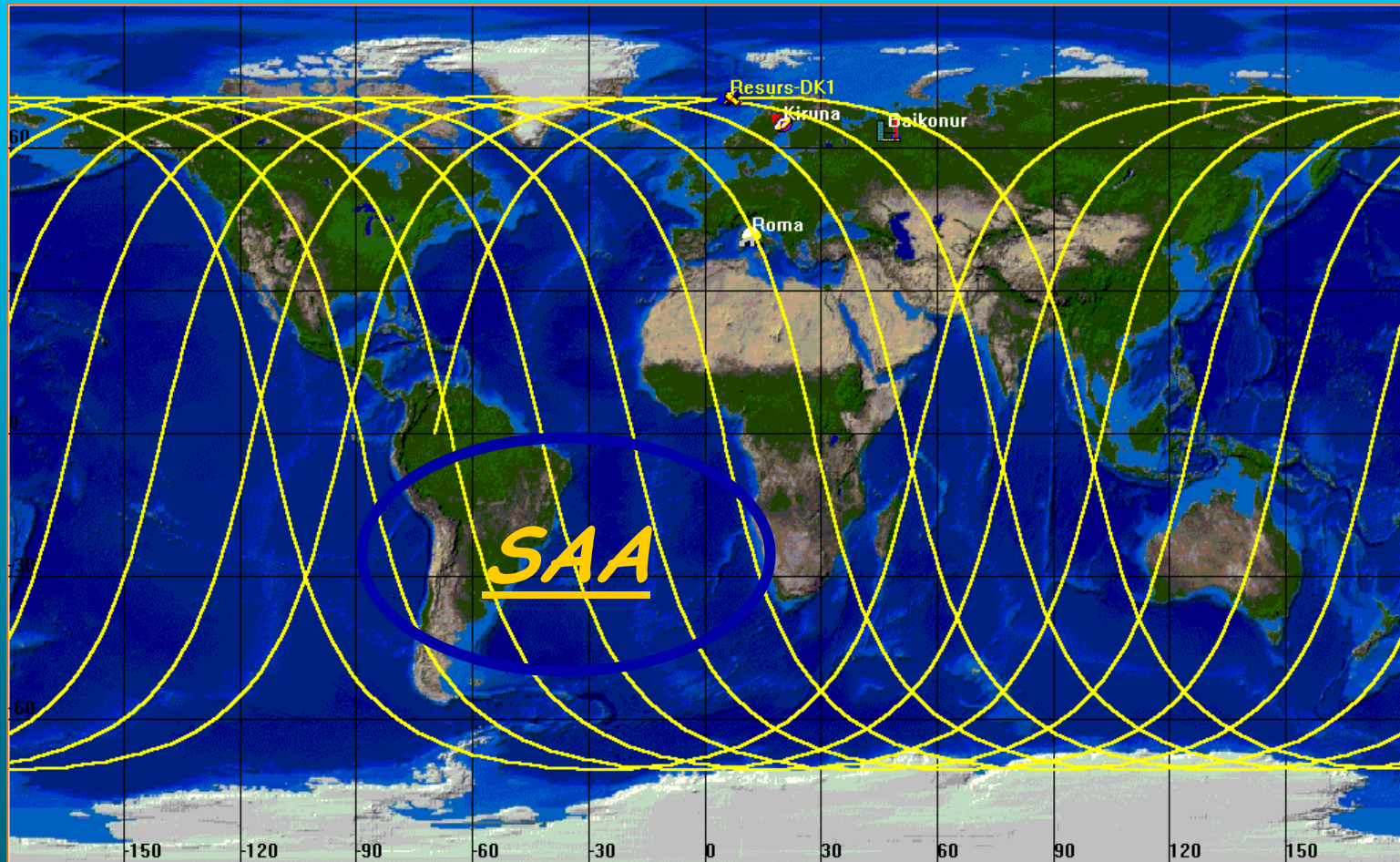


RESURS DK1 Satellite



quasi-polar (70.4°)
elliptical (300÷600 km)
3-years-long mission

Orbit characteristics



PAMELA Capabilities

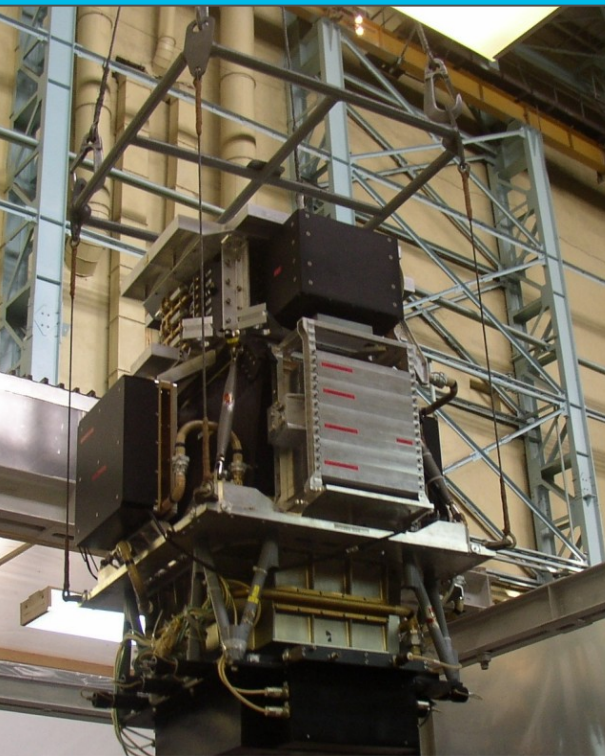


- Positrons 50 MeV - 270 GeV
- Antiprotons 80 MeV - 190 GeV
- Limit on antinuclei $\sim 10^{-8} (\overline{\text{He}} / \text{He})$
- Electrons 50 MeV - 2 TeV
- Protons 80 MeV - 700 GeV
- Nuclei $< 200 \text{ GeV/n}$ ($Z < 6$)
- Electron and proton components up to 10 TeV
- Long term monitoring of the solar modulation of Cosmic Rays

PAMELA: The " 3 Models "

- (1) **MASS & THERMAL MODEL**, for mechanical and thermal tests
- (2) **TECHNOLOGICAL MODEL**, for electric, magnetic and data transmission tests
- (3) **FLIGHT MODEL**, now installed on the satellite and under final test

Mass & Thermal Model



*Mass&Thermal Model in
TsSKB*

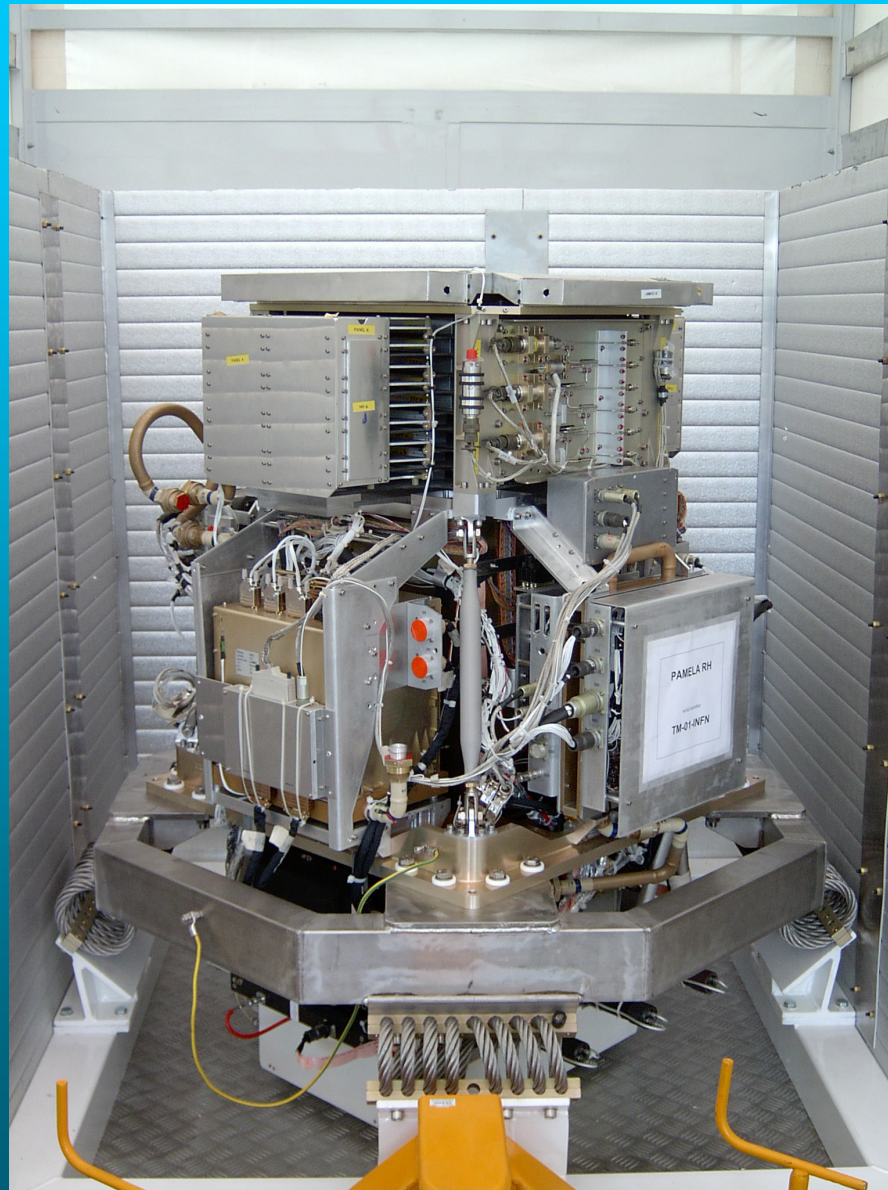


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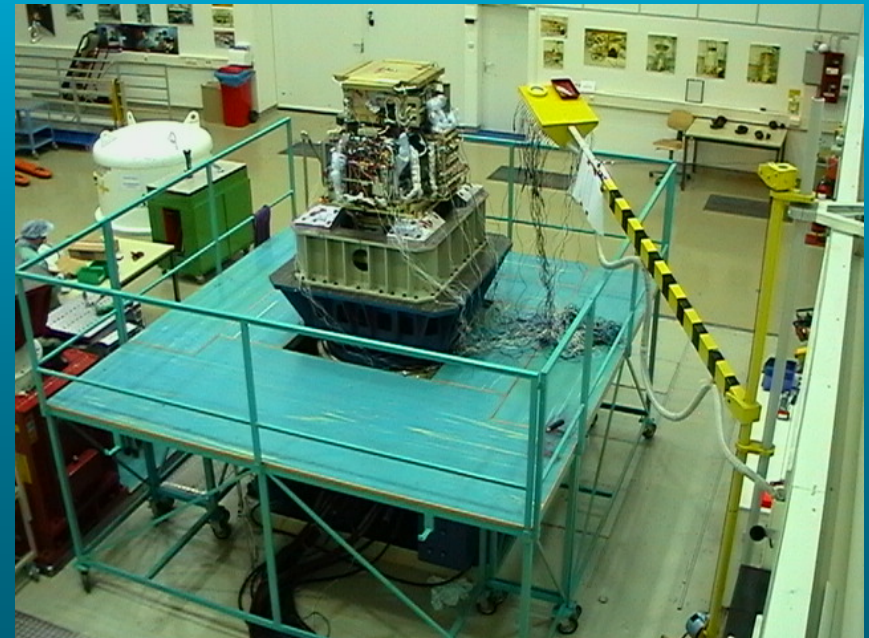
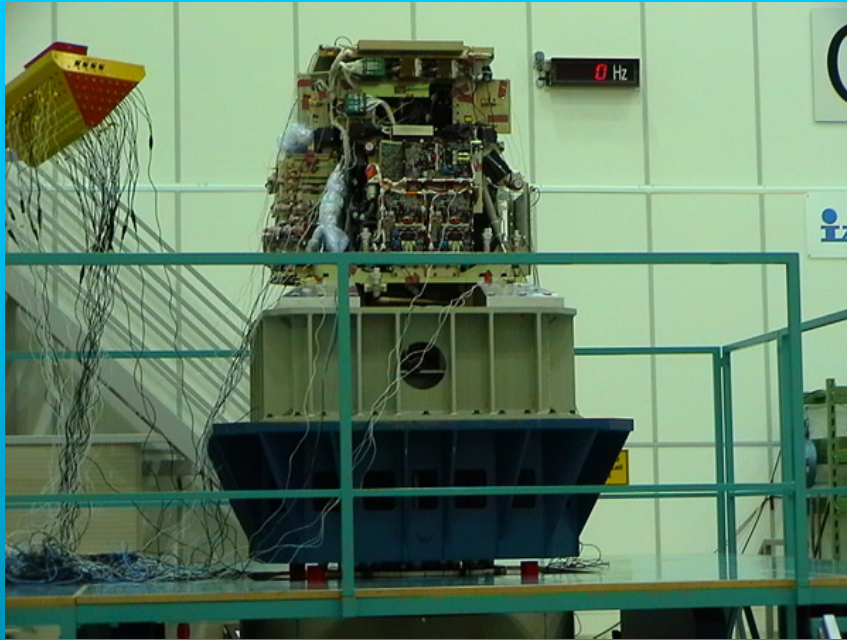


Integration in the Container

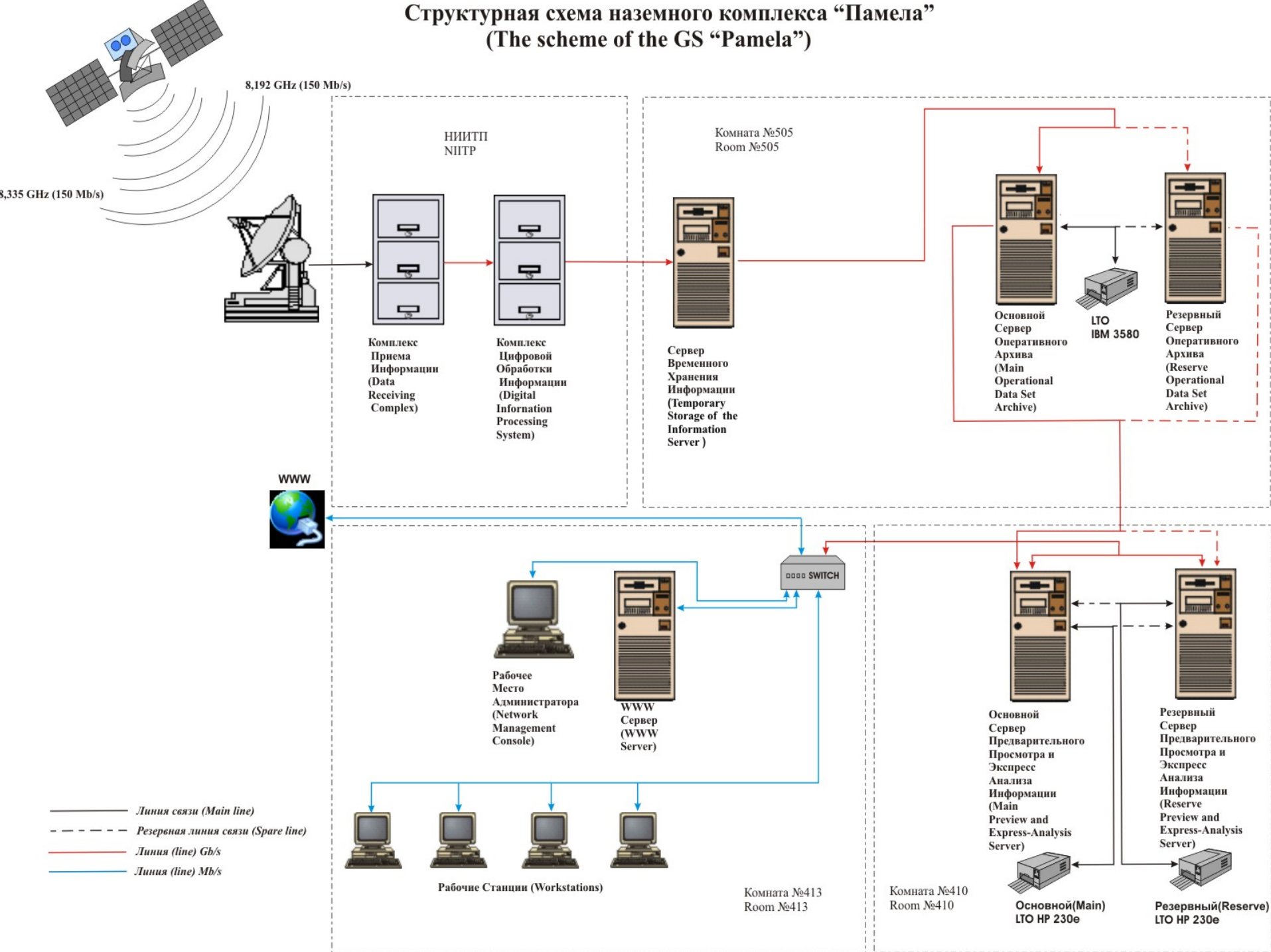
Technological Model

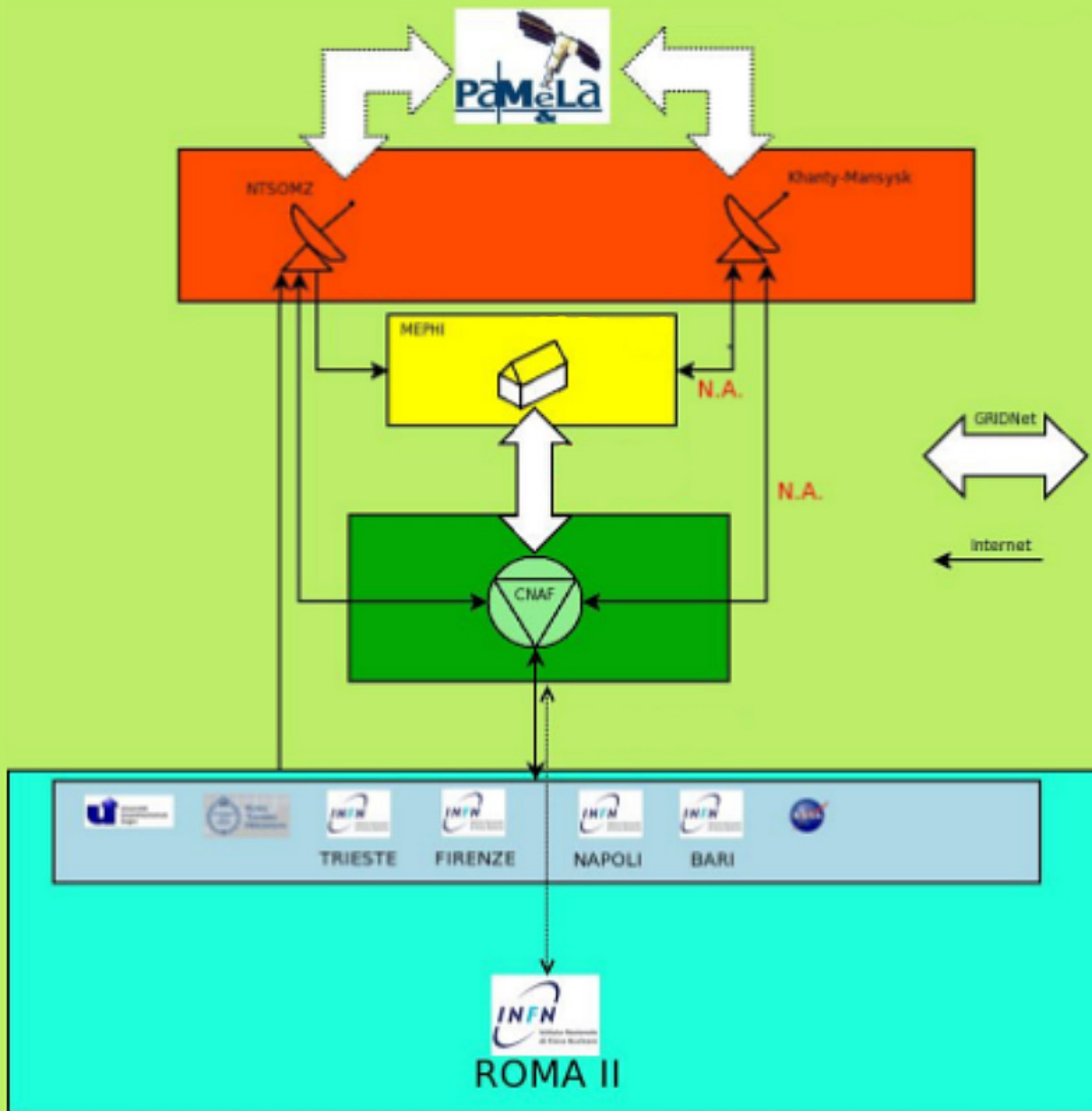


FLIGHT MODEL TEST - IABG/ Munich, January 2005



Структурная схема узлового комплекса "Памела" (The scheme of the GS "Pamela")





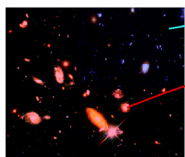
The Science of PAMELA

TEMPO

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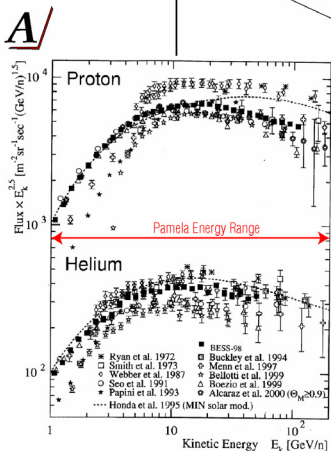
EXOTIC MATTER AND COSMIC RAYS

Extragalactic matter and antimatter domains?



~100 Mpc

Measurements of primary proton and helium spectra and spectra of heavier nuclei



Cosmic Ray Proton and Helium Spectra. PAMELA will measure these fluxes with a precision of 1% for protons and 5% for helium at the highest energy of 200 GeV/n.

Study of acceleration processes; abundances of the elements; measurement of the positron fraction



Primordial Black Holes

Clumpy Dark Matter
Neutralinos?
Other WIMPs?

SOLAR ACTIVITY

Search for dark matter

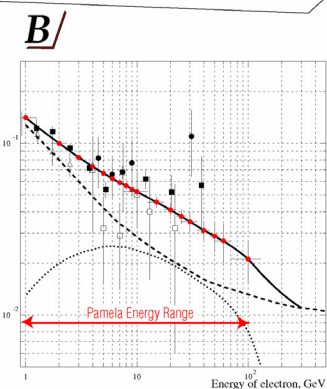
Search for an excess of positron and antiproton flux over the predicted secondary spectra

Precise measurements of antiproton and positron spectra; modeling secondary antiproton and positron spectra

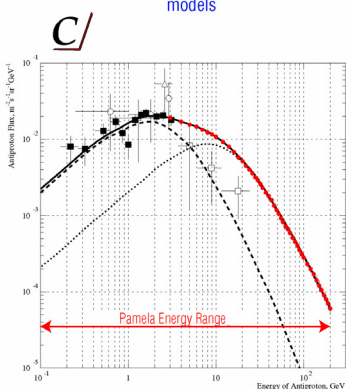
Study of cosmic ray transport models

Fluxes of protons, antiprotons, electrons and positrons measured simultaneously

Study of charge-sign dependence of solar modulation

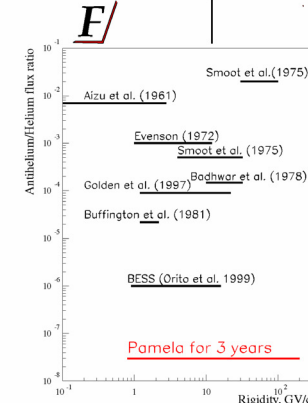


Distortion of the secondary positron fraction (dashed line) due to one possible contribution from neutralino annihilation (dotted line, from Baltz and Edsjo, 1998). Filled circles - TS-93 (Golden et al. 1996), open triangles - CAPRICE-94 (Barbiellini et al. 1996), filled squares - combined HEAT data (Barwick et al. 1997), and open squares - CAPRICE-98 (Boezio et al. 1999). Expected data from PAMELA for one year of operation are shown by red circles.

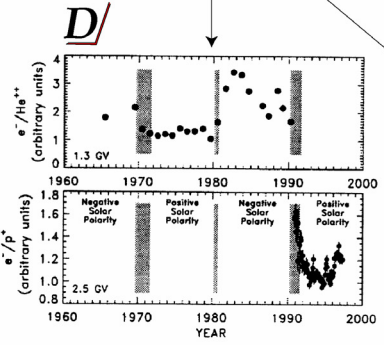


Distortion on the antiproton flux (dashed line) due to one possible contribution from neutralino annihilation (dotted line, from Ullio 1999). Total expected flux is shown by solid line. Filled squares - BESS data (Orto et al. 1999), open squares - MASS-91 (Stochka et al. 2000), open circles - IMAX (Mitchell et al. 1996), and open triangles - CAPRICE (Boezio et al. 1999). Expected data from PAMELA experiment for 1 year of operation are shown by red circles.

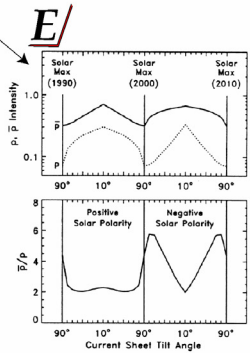
Antinuclei
Search for primary antimatter



Current upper limits on the flux of antihelium compared to the sensitivity of PAMELA in 3 years.



Electron, positron, proton and helium isotope abundance ratios affected by solar modulation in different phases (collected in different experiments, Bieber et al. 1999 and references therein). PAMELA will make all these measurements simultaneously.



Predicted effect of charge-sign dependent solar modulation on the antiproton to proton ratio (Bieber et al. 1999). PAMELA will measure this ratio over the period of expected high variability, testing the model.

Scientific Primary Goals and Objectives

Search for evidence of exotic matter:

- Heavy Antinuclei
- Nonbaryonic particles outside the Standard Model

Understanding formation and evolution of our Galaxy and the Universe

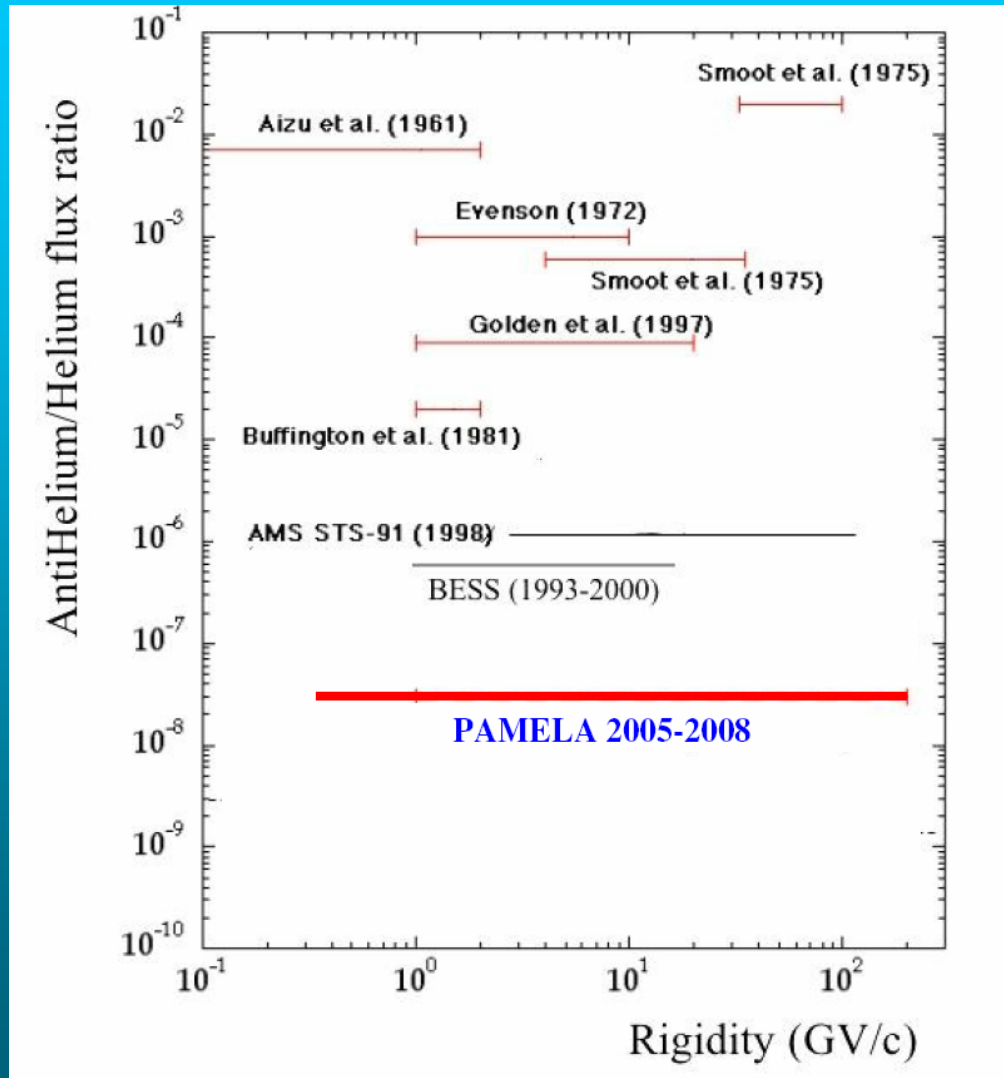
Exploring the cycles of matter and energy in the Universe.

Search for Heavy Antinuclei

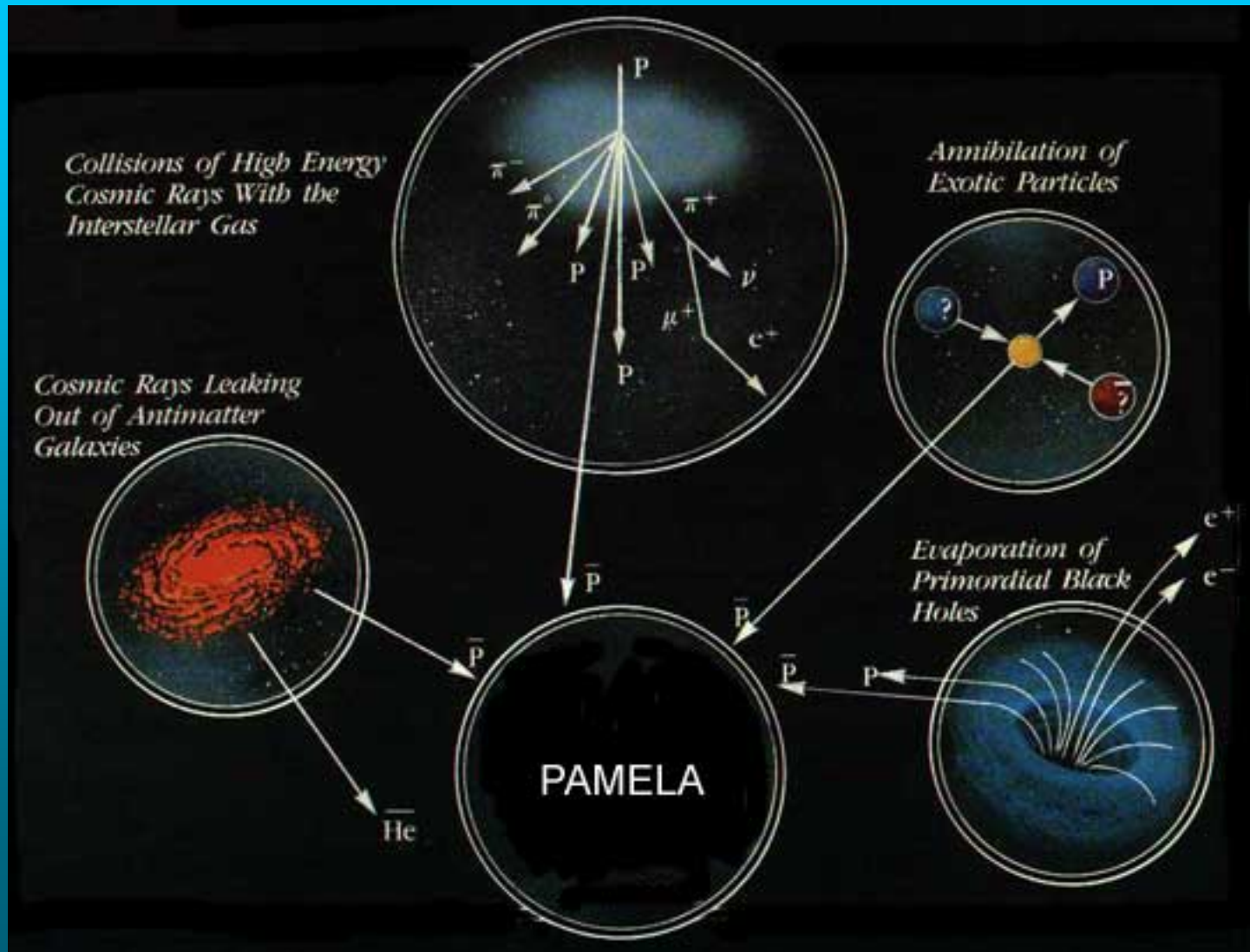
- The discovery of one nucleus of antimatter ($Z \geq 2$) in the cosmic rays would have profound implications for both particle physics and astrophysics.
- Gamma ray observations place strong limitations on antimatter domains within 50 Mpc and further.
- Search for high-energy nuclei from antimatter domains beyond the gamma limits.
- Antihelium/Helium from cosmic ray collision = 10^{-14}
- AntiIron/Iron = 10^{-56}

Necessity of an excellent identification capability

Cosmic-ray Antimatter Search

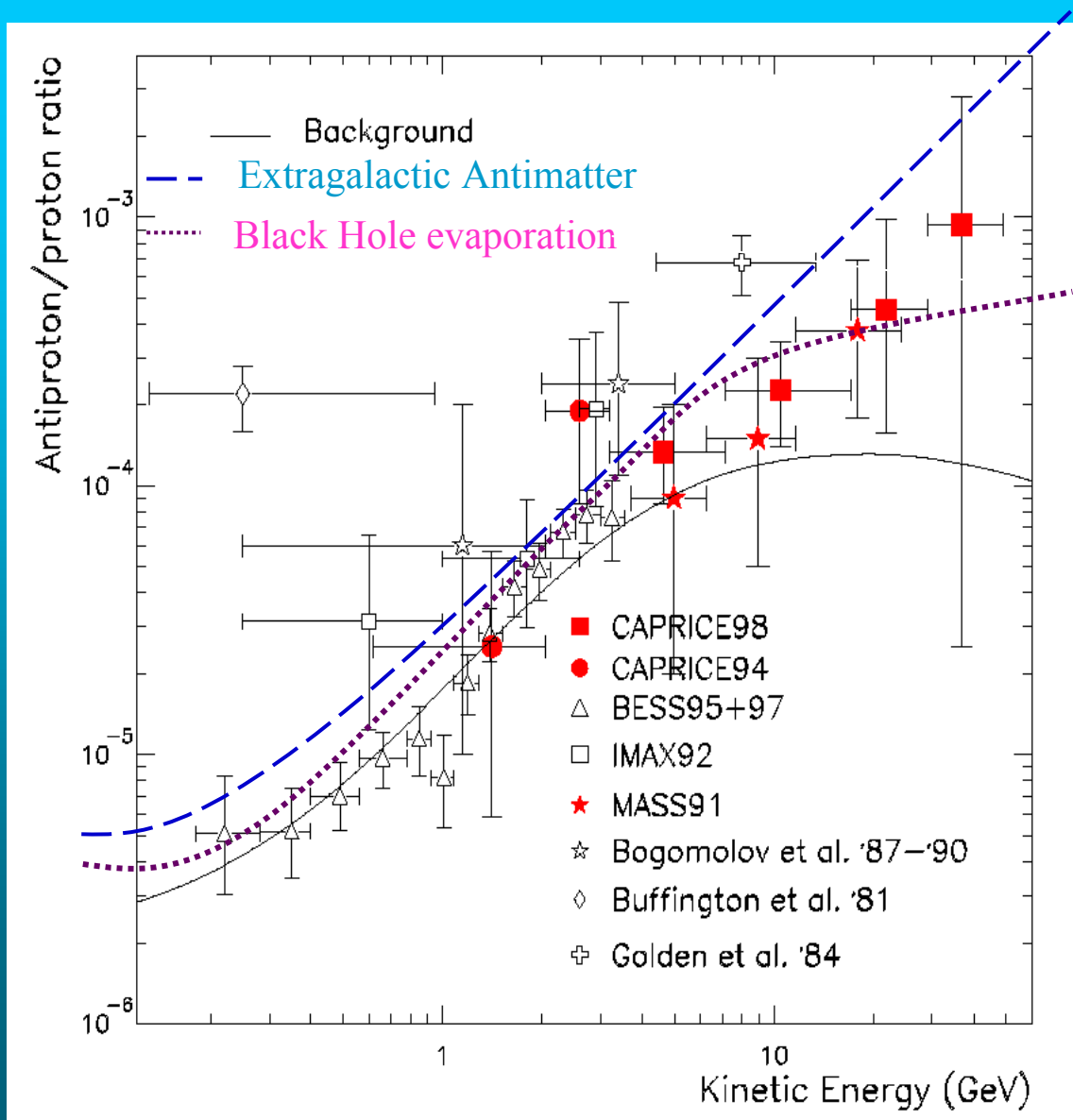


Antiproton Measurements



Distortion on the secondary antiproton flux induced by an Extragalactic Antimatter and Black Hole evaporation components

- Background from normal secondary production
- Mass91 data from XXVI ICRC, OG.1.1.21, 1999
- Caprice94 data from ApJ, 487, 415, 1997
- Caprice98 data from ApJ Letters 534, L177, 2000



Matter in the Universe

Microwave Anisotropy

WMAP - NASA -
Explorer Mission



$$\Omega_{\text{total}} = \frac{\rho_{\text{total}}}{\rho_{\text{crit.}}} = 1$$

$$\rho_{\text{crit.}} = \frac{3H^2(t)}{8\pi G}$$

(Universe is flat)

$$\Omega_{\text{total}} = \underbrace{\Omega_{\text{total, baryon.}}}_{\text{baryonic matter}} + \underbrace{\Omega_{\text{dyn.}}}_{\text{dark matter}} + \underbrace{\Omega_{\text{required}}}_{\text{dark energy}}$$

baryonic matter
5%

stars, galaxies

dark matter
25%

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candidates:

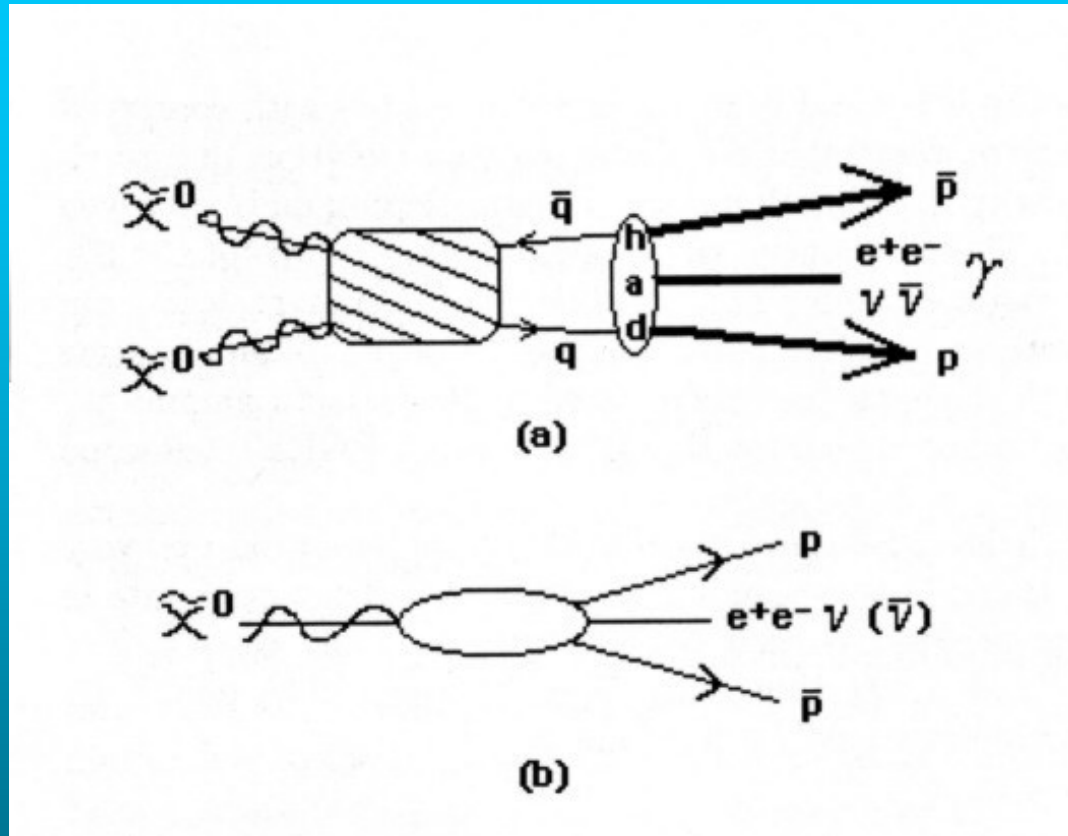
- WIMPs
- Q-balls
- axions
- Kaluza-Klein-part.

dark energy
70%

???

quintessence

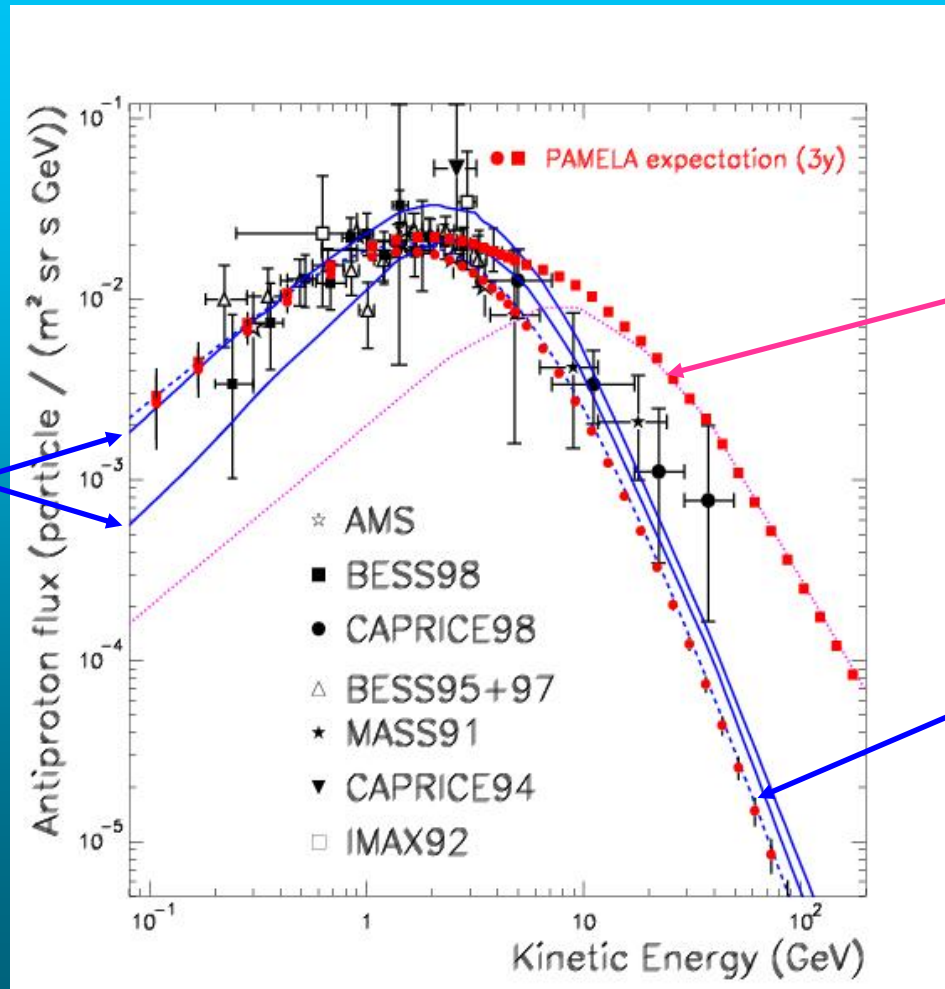
NEUTRALINO ANNIHILATION



- a) CDM neutralinos annihilation in the Galactic halo in minimal SUSY
- b) In R-parity-violating SUSY

What do we expect from
PAMELA?

Search of structures in antiproton spectrum

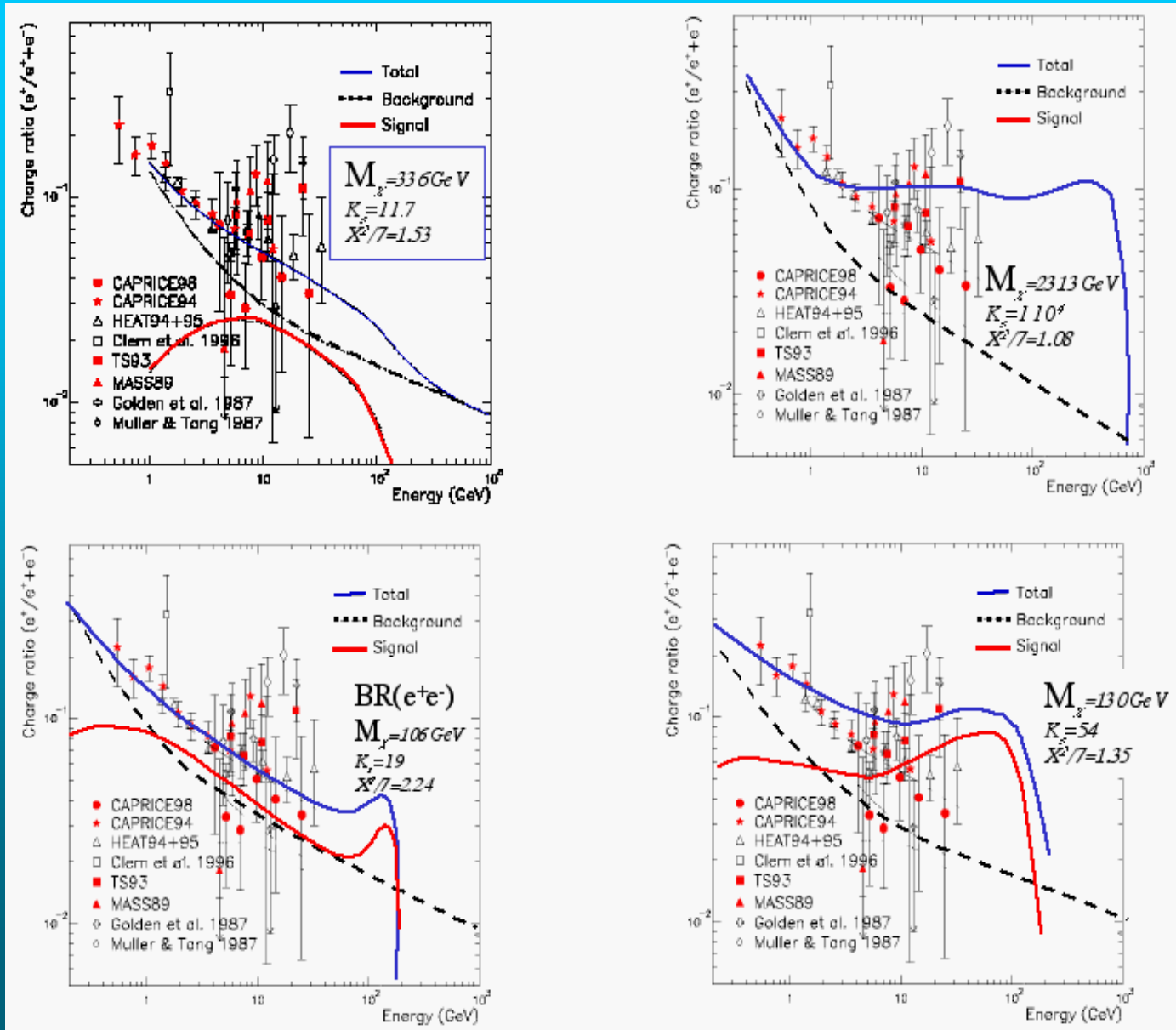


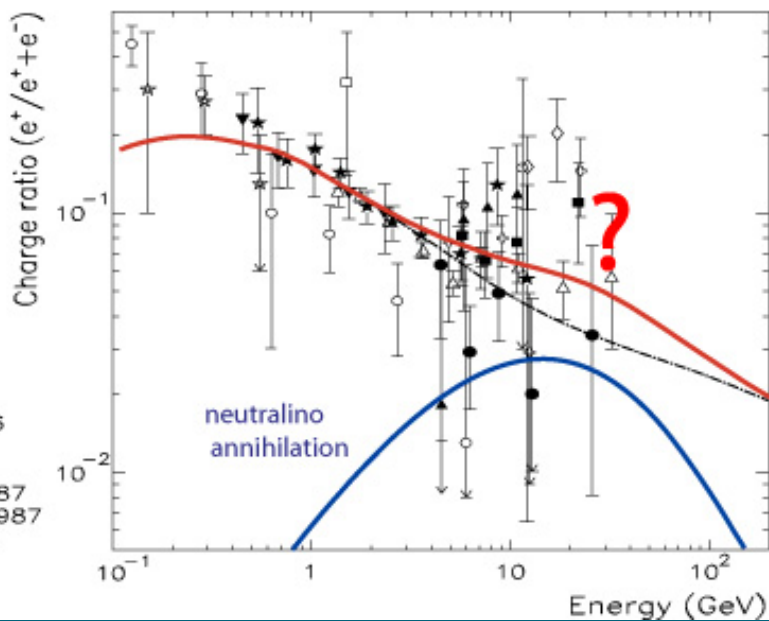
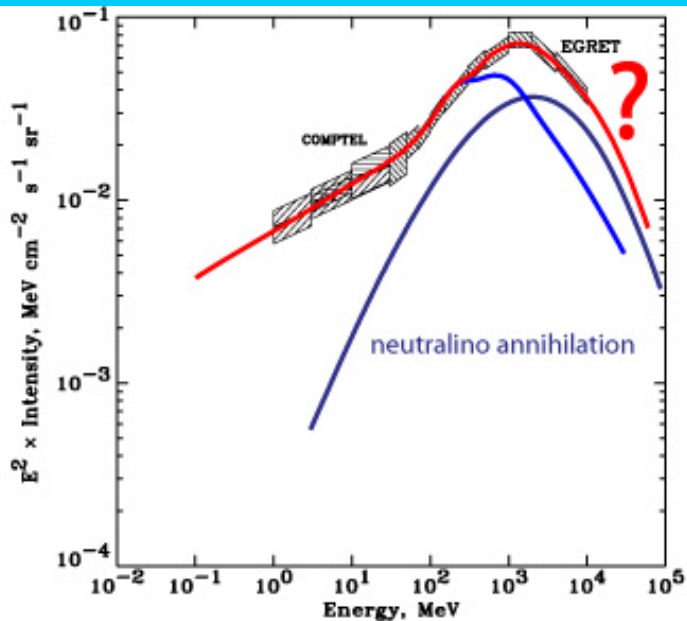
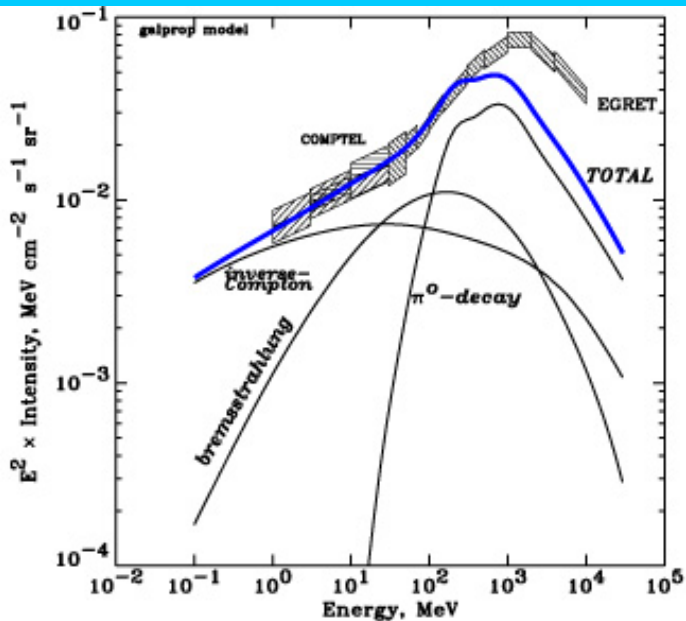
Secondary production
(upper and lower limits)
Simon et al.

Primary production from
 $\chi\chi$ annihilation
($m(\chi) = 964$ GeV)
(astro-ph 9904086)

Secondary production
(CAPRICE94-based)
Bergström et al.

Distortion of the secondary positron fraction induced by a signal from a heavy neutralino.

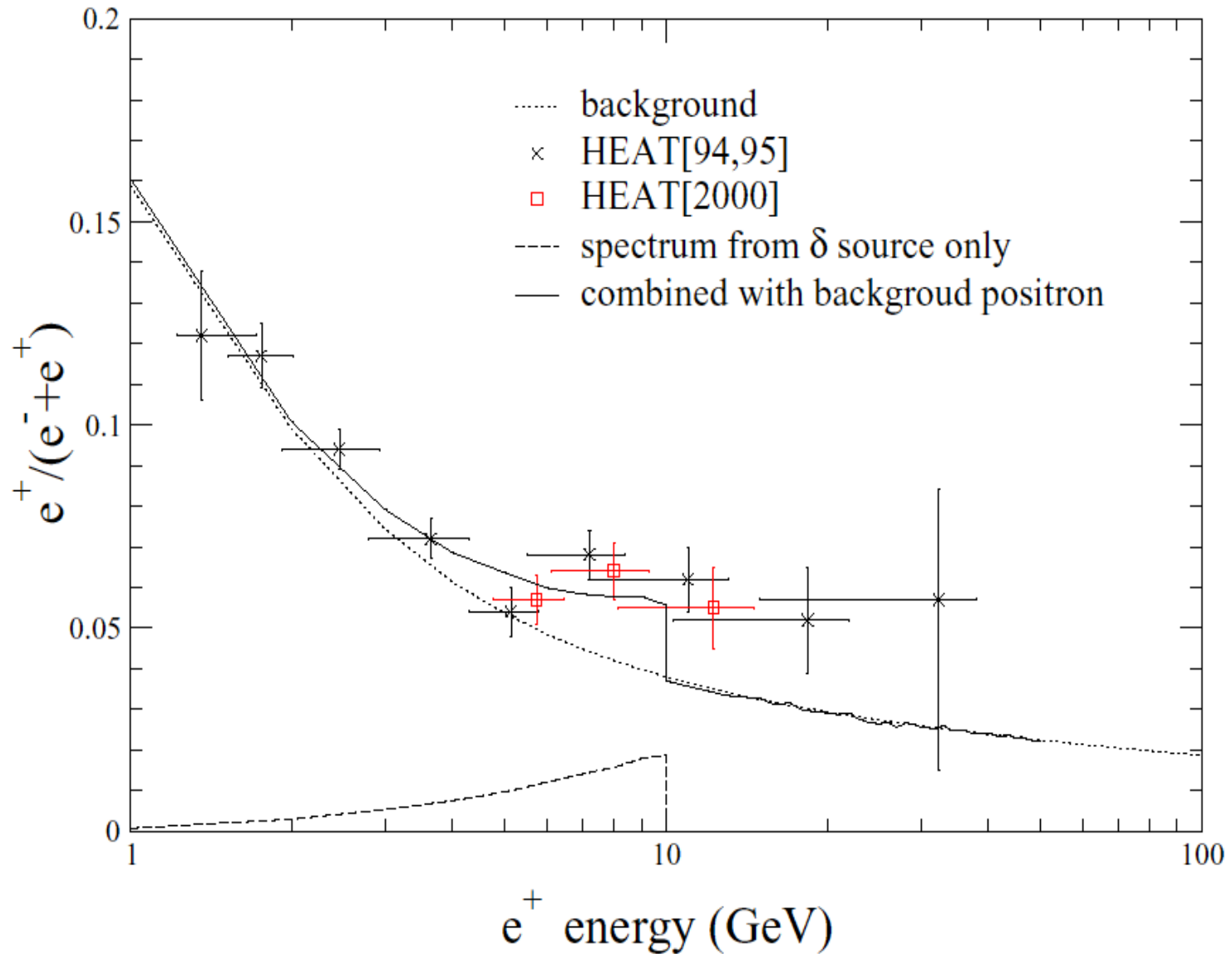




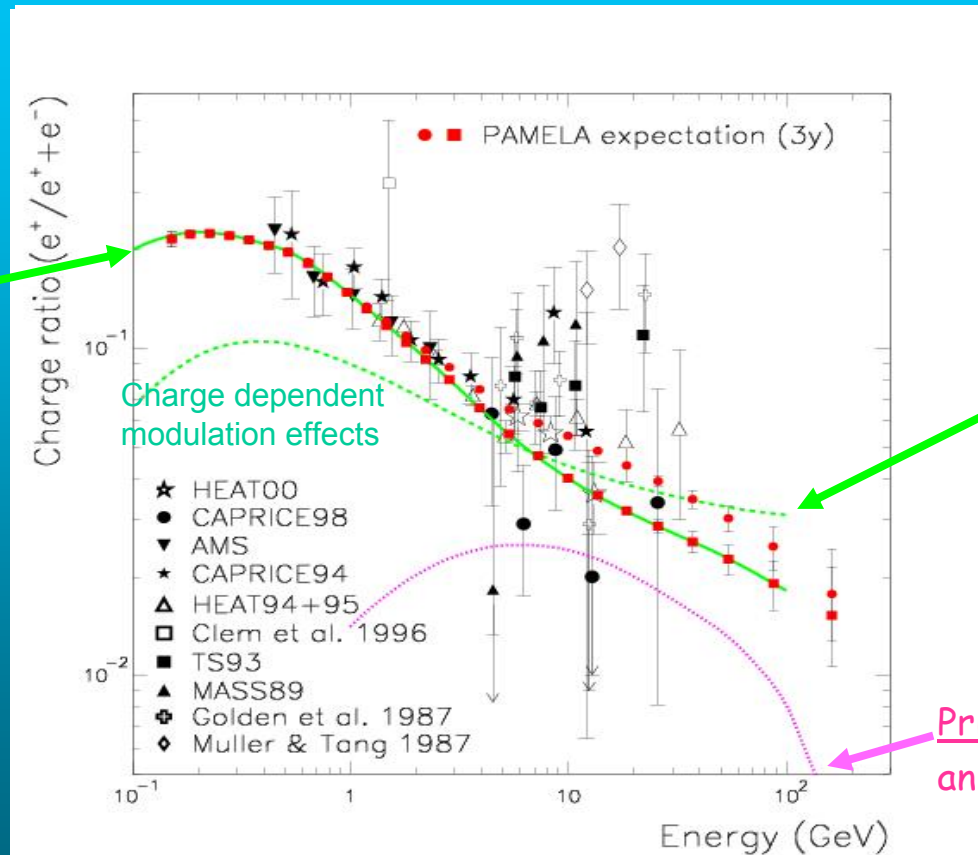
- CAPRICE98
- ▼ AMS
- ★ CAPRICE94
- △ HEAT94+95
- Clem et al. 1996
- TS93
- ▲ MASS89
- ◇ Golden et al. 1987
- ◇ Muller & Tang 1987
- * Daugherty 1975
- Fanelow 1969

Do we see hints of
neutralino annihilation?

Positron with HEAT



Cosmic-ray antiparticle measurements: positrons



Secondary production
'Moskalenko + Strong
model' (1998) without
reacceleration

Charge dependent
modulation effects

Secondary production
'Leaky box model'
(Protheroe 1982)

Primary production from $\chi\chi$
annihilation ($m(\chi) = 336$ GeV)

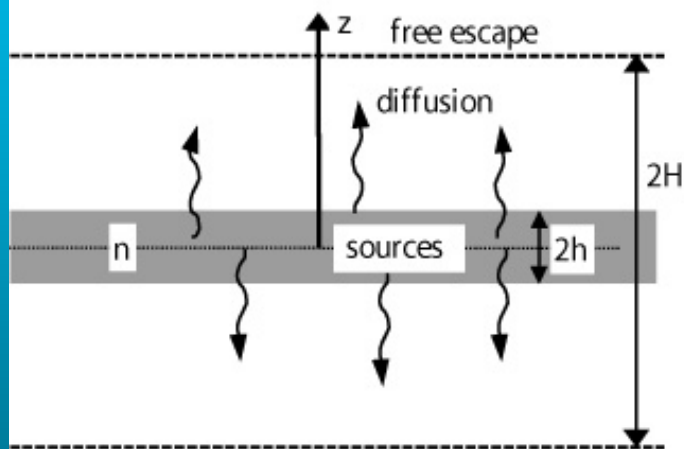
PAMELA energy range

Primary and Secondary Spectra

- Unambiguous interpretation of exotic matter signature requires a clear understanding of the secondary spectra and their sources.
- Primary cosmic ray spectra as a powerful tool to quantify the source of atmospheric neutrino anomaly.

Diffusion Halo Model

$$\frac{\partial N_i(E, z, t)}{\partial t} = \underbrace{D(E) \cdot \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} N_i(E, z, t)}_{\text{diffusion}} - \underbrace{N_i(E, z, t) \left\{ \frac{1}{\tau_i^{\text{int}}(E, z)} + \frac{1}{\gamma(E)\tau_i^{\text{dec}}} \right\}}_{\text{interaction and decay}}$$



$$+ \underbrace{\sum_{k>i} \frac{N_k(E, z, t)}{\tau_{\text{int}}^{k \rightarrow i}(E, z)}}_{\text{secondary production}} + \underbrace{Q_i(E, z)}_{\text{primary sources}}$$

$$- \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial E} \left\{ \left\langle \frac{\partial E}{\partial t} \right\rangle \cdot N_i(E, z, t) \right\} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial E^2} \left\{ \left\langle \frac{\Delta E^2}{\Delta t} \right\rangle \cdot N_i(E, z, t) \right\}}_{\text{energy changing processes (ionisation, reacceleration)}}$$

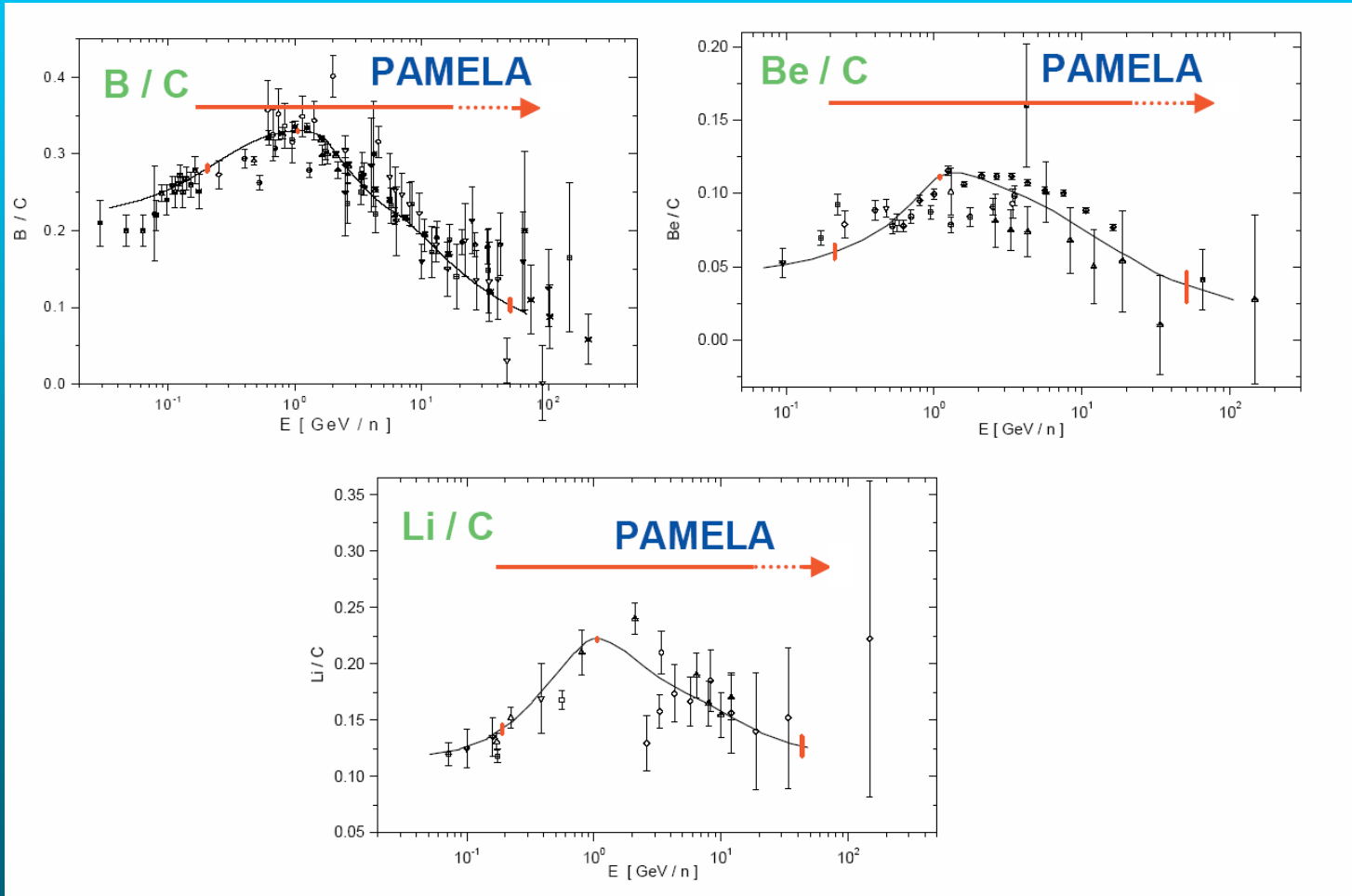
energy changing processes
(ionisation, reacceleration)

Elemental Energy Spectra

Secondary to primary CR ratios are the most sensitive quantities to fix the propagation parameters in the transport model. [e.g. Carbon (directly produced by nucleosynthesis), Boron (from fragmentation)]

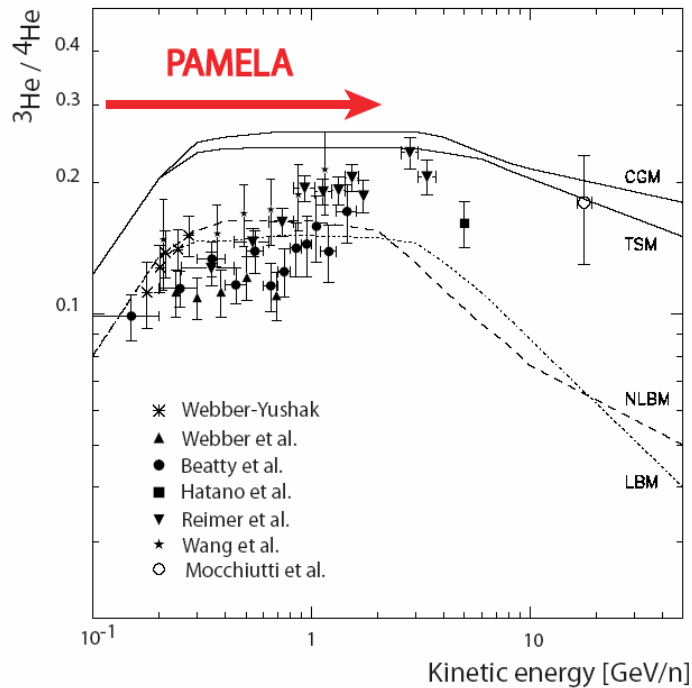
Energy profiles validate the transport model and the matter density hypothesis.

Secondary to Primary ratios

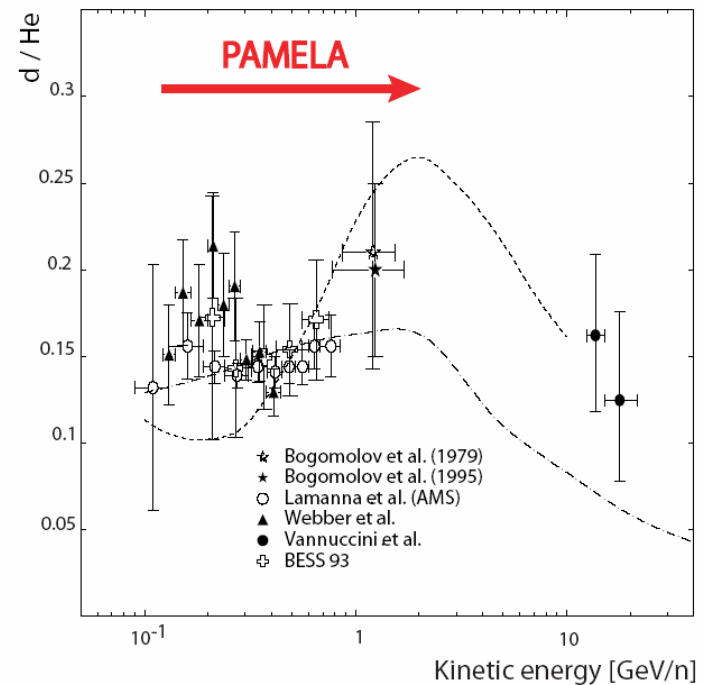


Helium and Hydrogen Isotopes

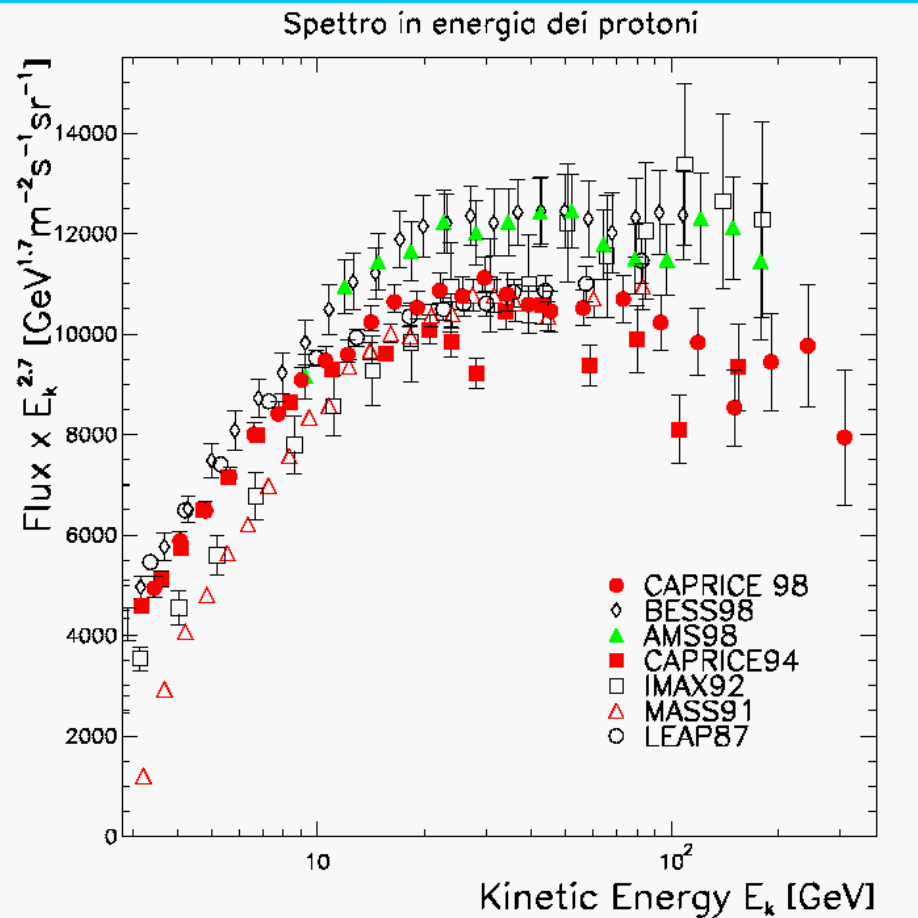
The current situation of the
 $^3\text{He} / ^4\text{He}$ ratio



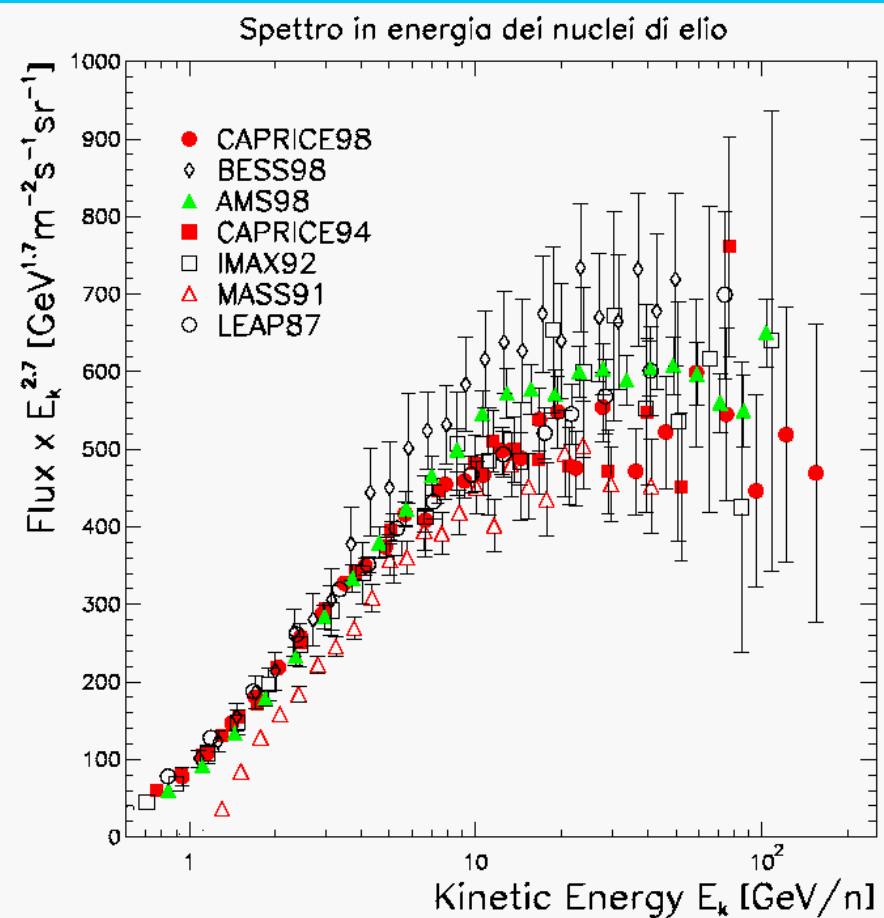
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Protons



Helium



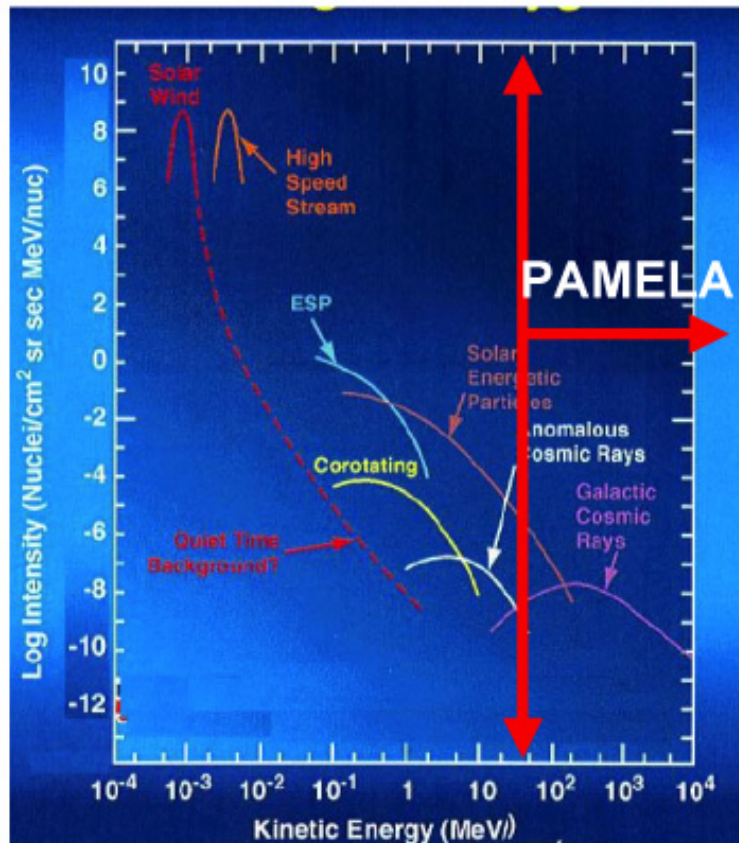
Concomitant Goals

- Near electrons sources
- Solar Flare Particle Spectra
- Charge-Sign Dependent Solar Modulation
- New Radiation Belts

High Energy electrons

- The study of primary electrons is especially important because they give information on the nearest sources of cosmic rays
- Electrons with energy above 100 MeV rapidly lose their energy due to synchrotron radiation and inverse Compton processes
- The discovery of primary electrons with energy above 10^{12} eV will evidence the existence of cosmic ray sources in the nearby interstellar space ($r \leq 300$ pc)

Solar Physics with PAMELA



- Solar Modulation effects
- High energy component of Solar Proton Events (from 80 MeV to 10 GeV)
- High energy component of electrons and positrons in Solar Proton Events (from 50 MeV)
- Nuclear composition of Gradual and Impulsive events
- ³He and ⁴He isotopic composition

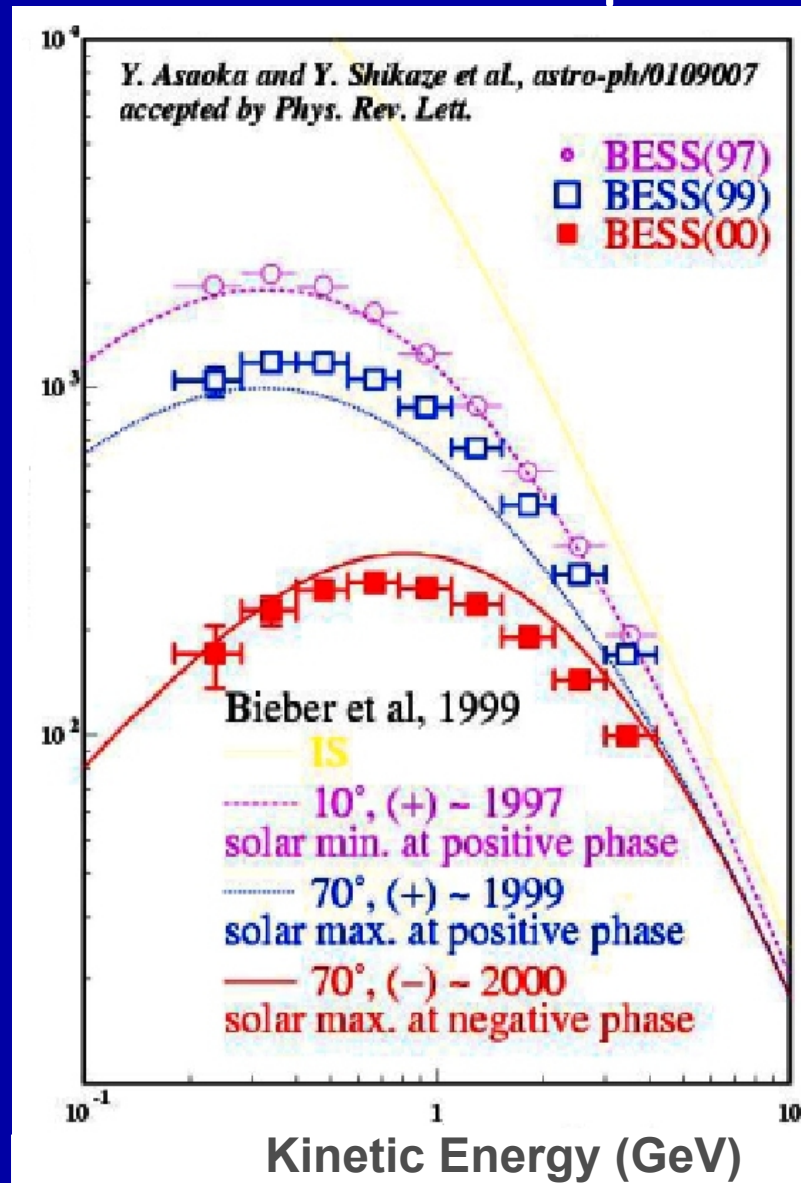
Charge-Sign Dependent Solar Modulation

- Observational evidence that the negative charge component of galactic cosmic rays is modulated in the heliosphere differently than the positive one.
- Modification and modulation of Galactic Cosmic Ray spectra in the heliosphere complicate the interpretation of the exotic matter results at low energy.

Measurements of the abundances of species with the same mass but different charge sign in A^+ and A^- of the solar cycle.

Proton fluxes at TOA

Annual Variation of P spectrum



Comparison of \bar{p}/p ratio with model

Time variation of \bar{p}/p ratio at solar maximum

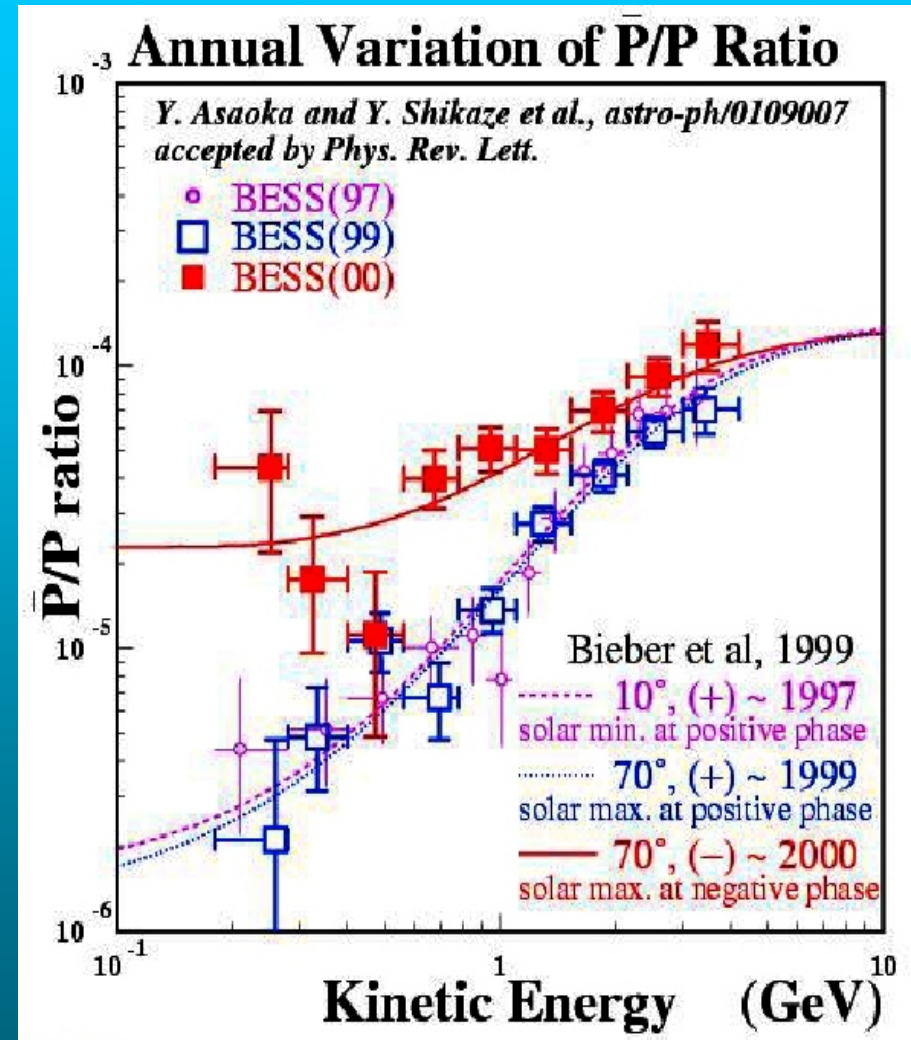
Observed data by BESS

Charge dependent model prediction (Bieber et al.)

Charge dependent solar modulation model well follows

the suddenly increase of \bar{p}/p ratio observed by BESS

at the solar polarity reversal between 1999 and 2000



High Energy Radiation Belts

- High energy from $\sim 1 \text{ GeV}$ to $\sim 10 \text{ GeV}$
- Contains e^+ , e^- , p , 3He
- e^+ over e^- dominance
- Low L- shell \Leftrightarrow low altitude
- Life time $O(\text{seconds})$

\Rightarrow Secondary production from CR interaction with atmosphere

Conclusion

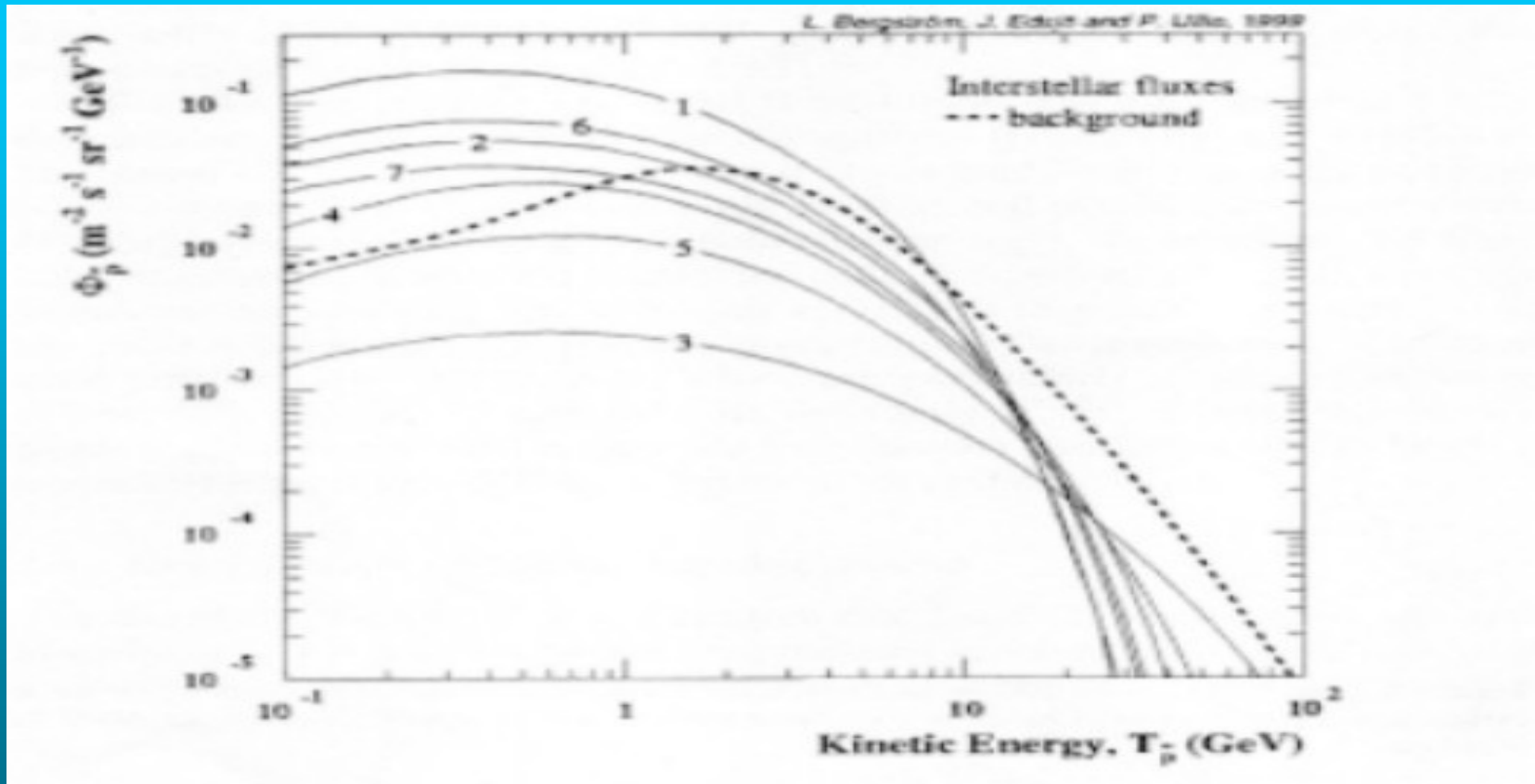
- **PAMELA** is the first space experiment which will measure the **Antiprotons** and **Positrons** to high energies $\approx 200\text{GeV}$ with an unprecedented statistical precision
- **PAMELA** will set a new lower limit of finding **Antihelium**
- **PAMELA** will look for **Dark Matter** candidates
- **PAMELA** will provide measurements on **elemental spectra** and low mass **Isotopes** with an unprecedented statistical precision and will help to improve the understanding of **particle propagation** in the interstellar medium.
- **PAMELA** will be able to measure the high energy tail of **solar spectra** and for the first time **solar positrons**
- **PAMELA** will be able to measure electrons at very high energy to discover sources near the **solar system**

Dirac Nobel Speech (1933)

"We must regard it rather an accident that the Earth and presumably the whole Solar System contains a preponderance of negative electrons and positive protons. It is quite possible that for some of the stars it is the other way about"

- Earliest example of the interplay between particles physics and cosmology

Antiproton fluxes



A range of minimal (R-parity-conserving) SUSY predictions of Galactic antiprotons spectrum, with neutralino masses = 45-700 GeV

Distortion of the secondary antiproton flux induced by a signal from a heavy Higgsino-like neutralino.

Particles and photons are sensitive to different neutralinos. Gaugino-like particles are more likely to produce an observable flux of antiprotons whereas Higgsino-like annihilations are more likely to produce an observable gamma-ray signature

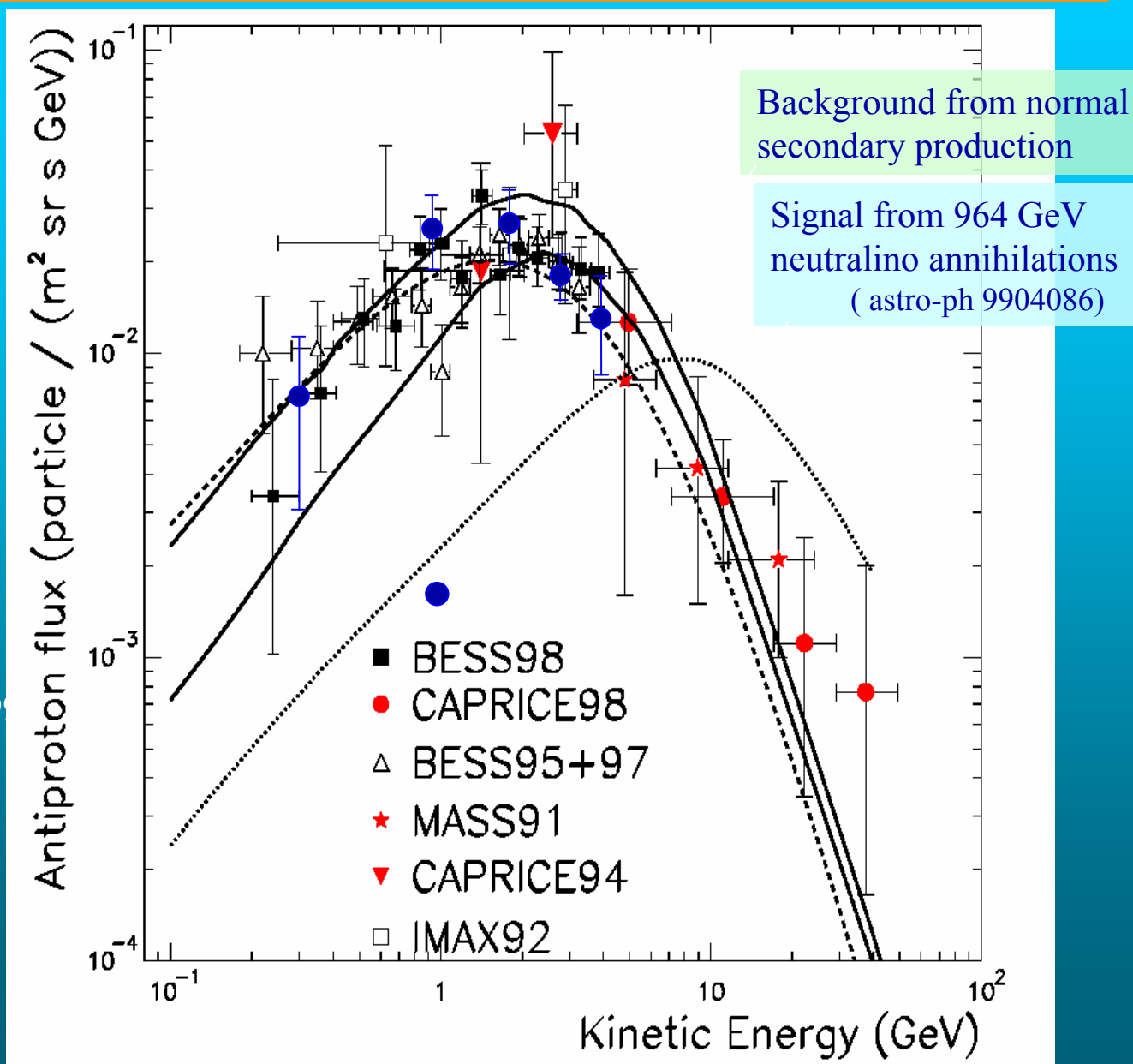
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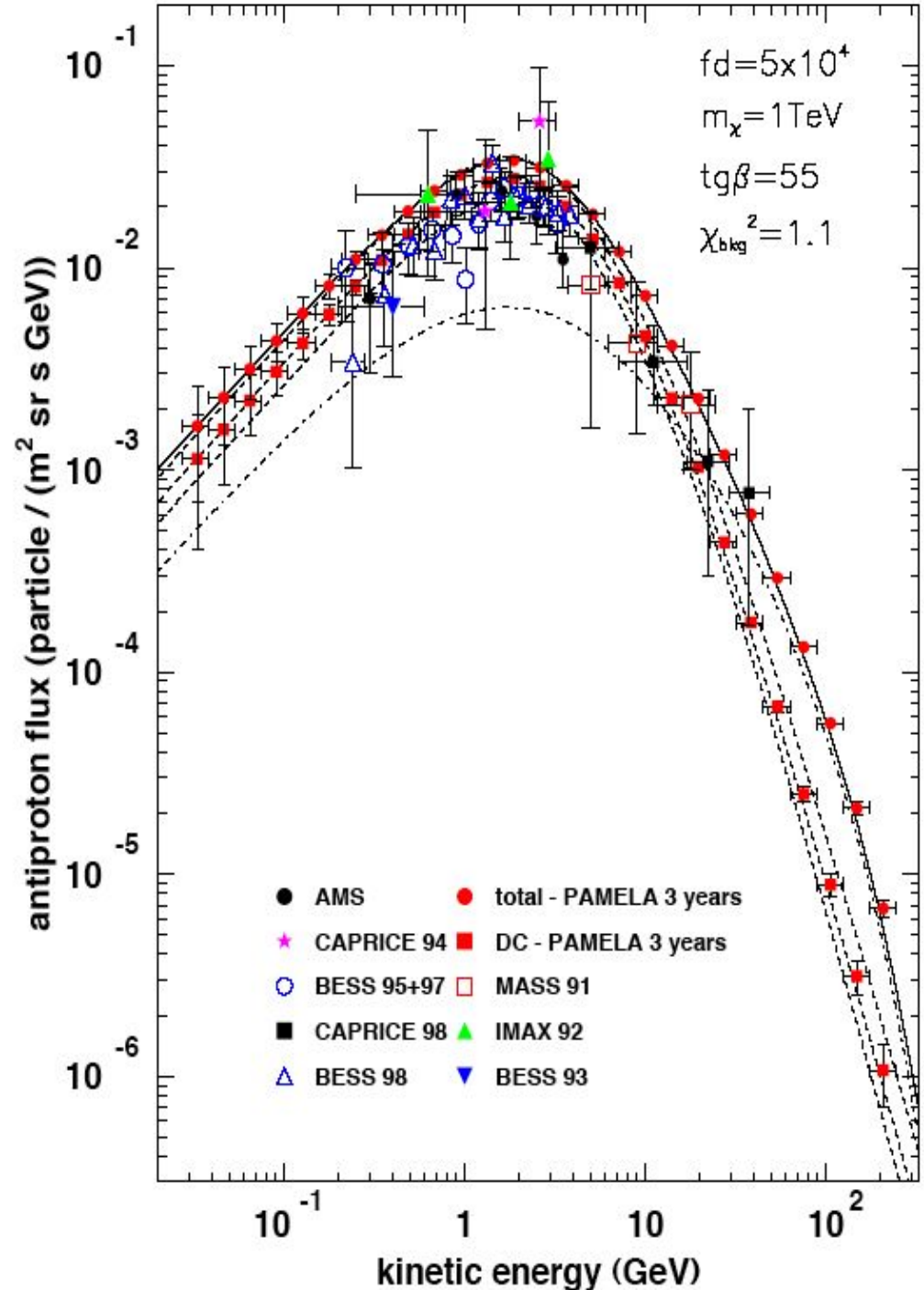
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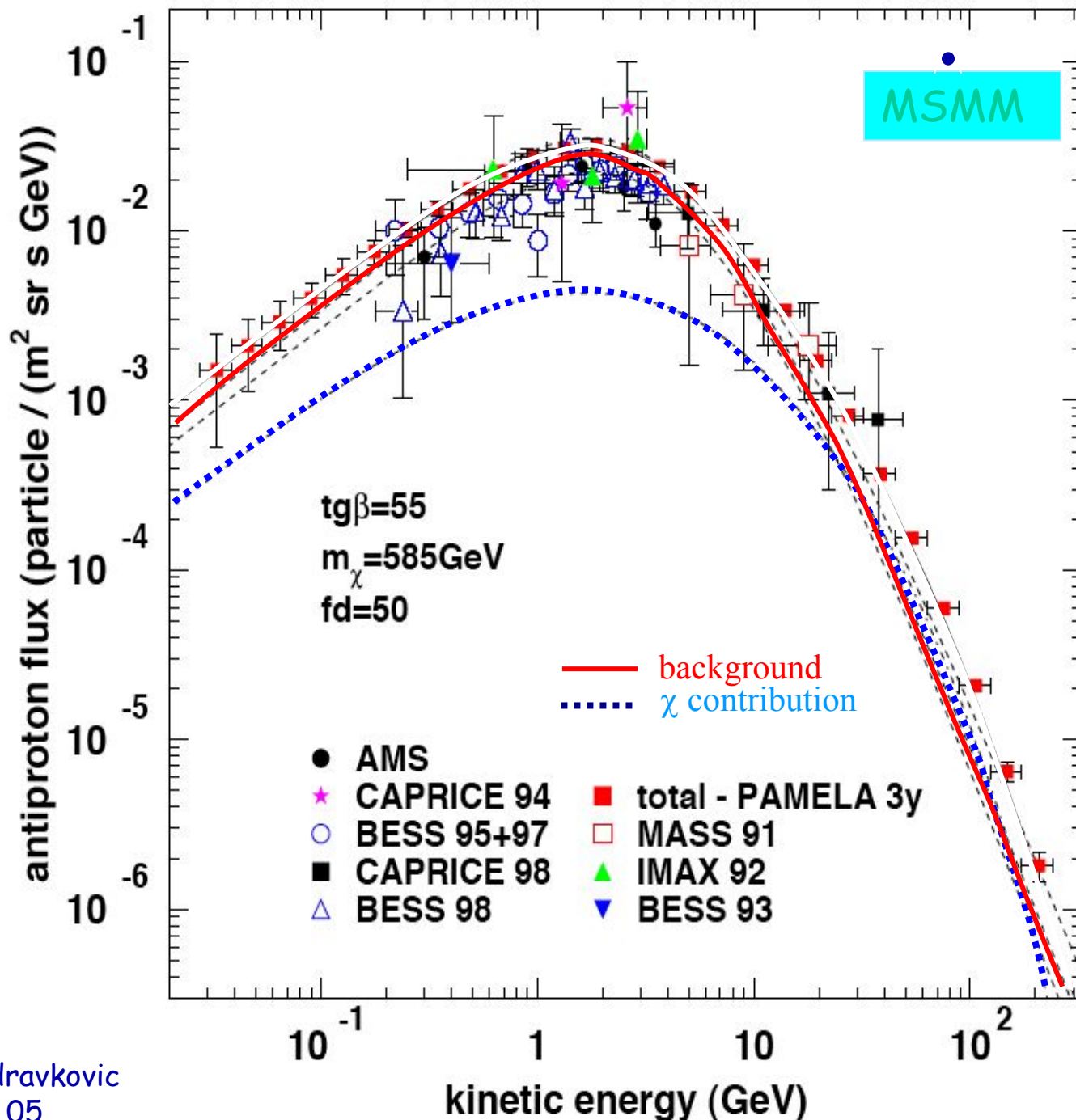
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Estimated reaches with Pamela

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$m_t = 174 \text{ GeV}$

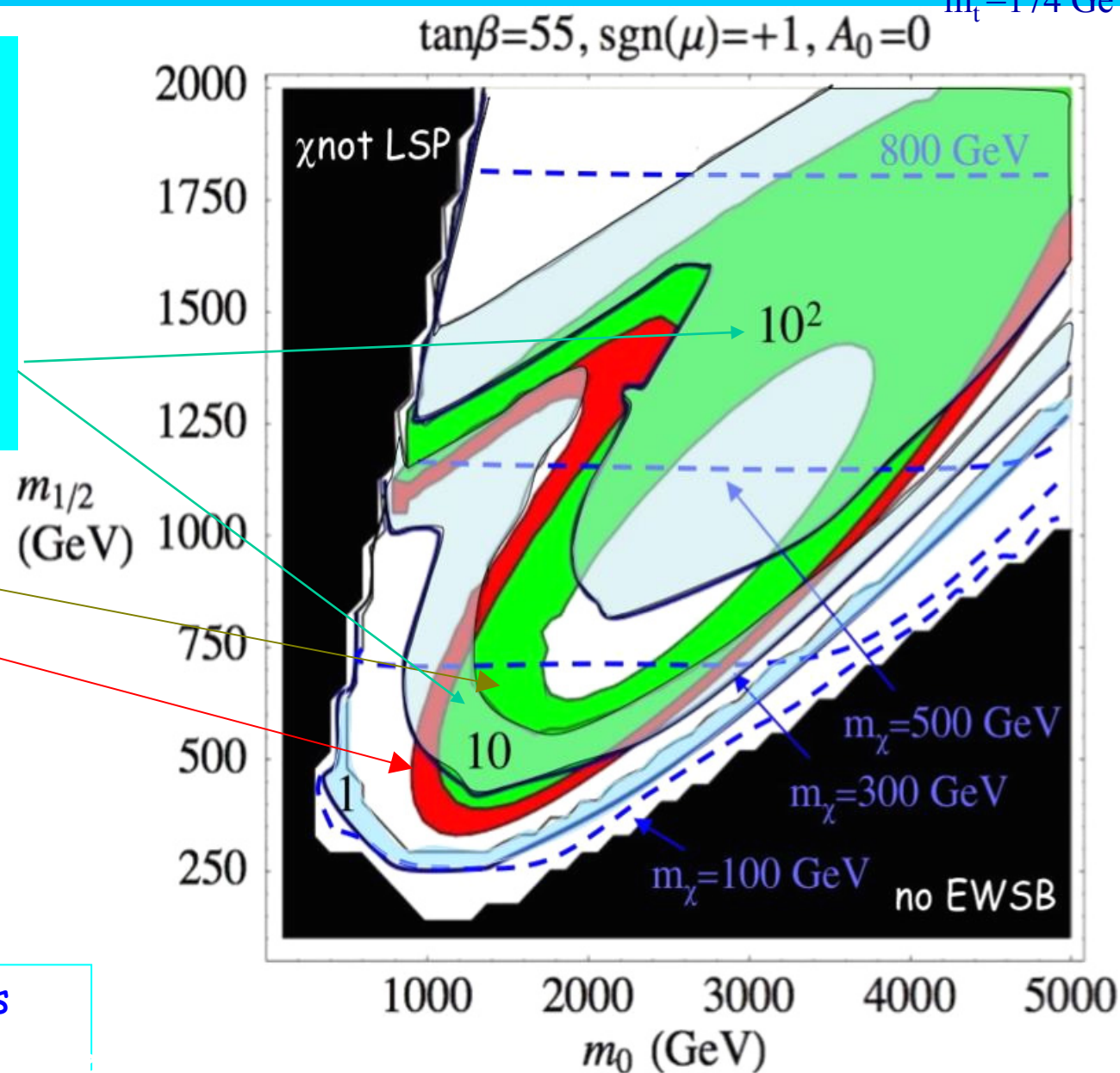
Clumpiness factors f_d needed to disentangle a neutralino induced component in the antiproton flux with PAMELA ($\chi^2 > 1.8$) that still give a good fit of the present data

region where $0.13 < \Omega_{\text{CDM}} h^2 < 0.3$

region where $0.09 < \Omega_{\text{CDM}} h^2 < 0.13$

Equi-clumpiness factor density in respect to a NFW

-- Equi-neutralino mass lines
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Proton spectra: Upper and lower bounds are due to the uncertainties of propagation parameters

