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Cross sections for cosmic-ray antiprotons

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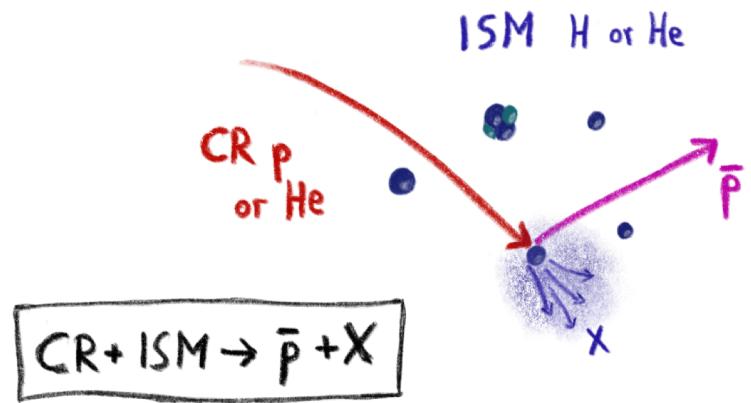
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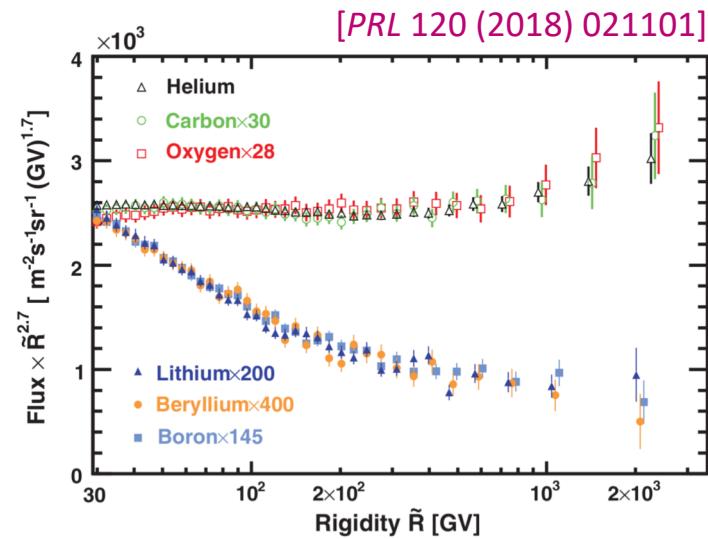
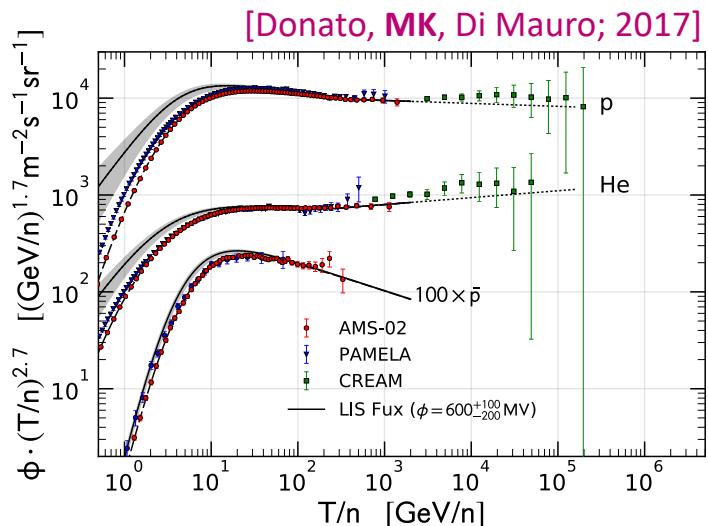
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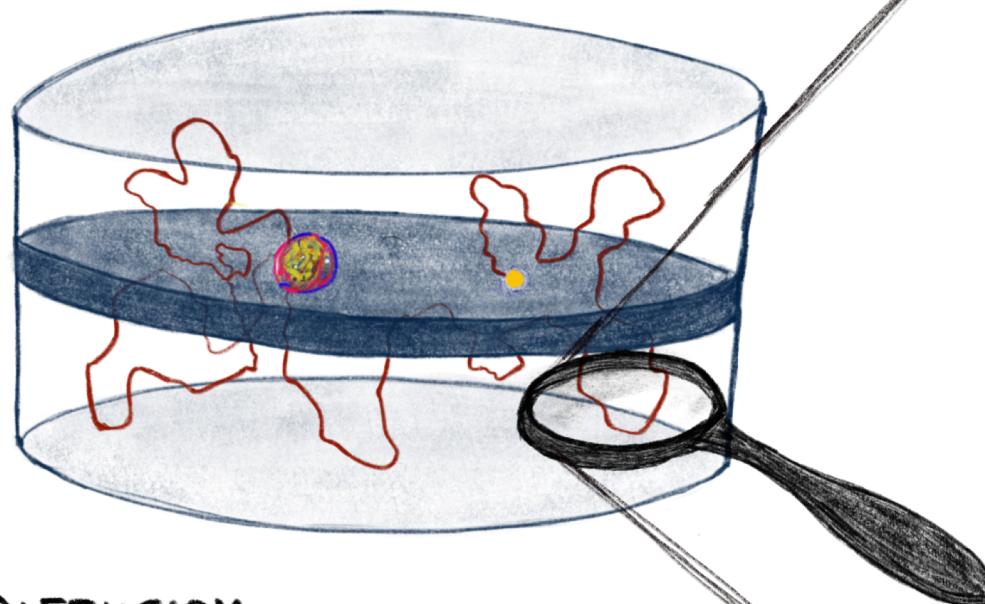


Cosmic rays in the precision era

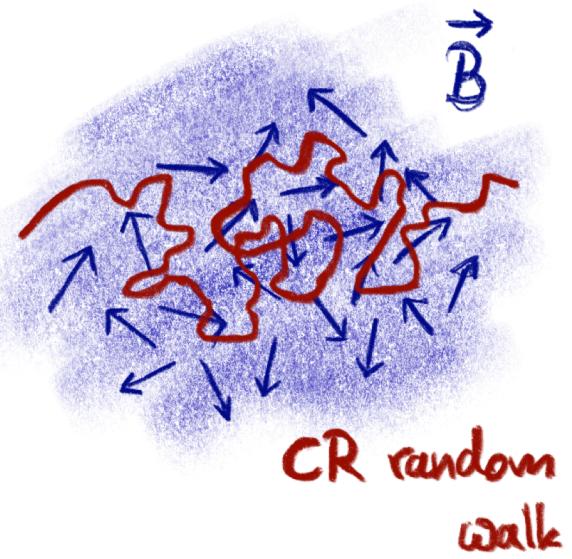
- Space-based experiments PAMELA and AMS-02 determine cosmic-ray spectra with increasing precision
- Interpretation of the CR data requires understanding of:
 - Production
 - Propagation in the Galaxy
 - Solar effects
- AMS-02 measures the antiproton flux at about 5% precision between 1 and 400 GeV



Cosmic-ray propagation



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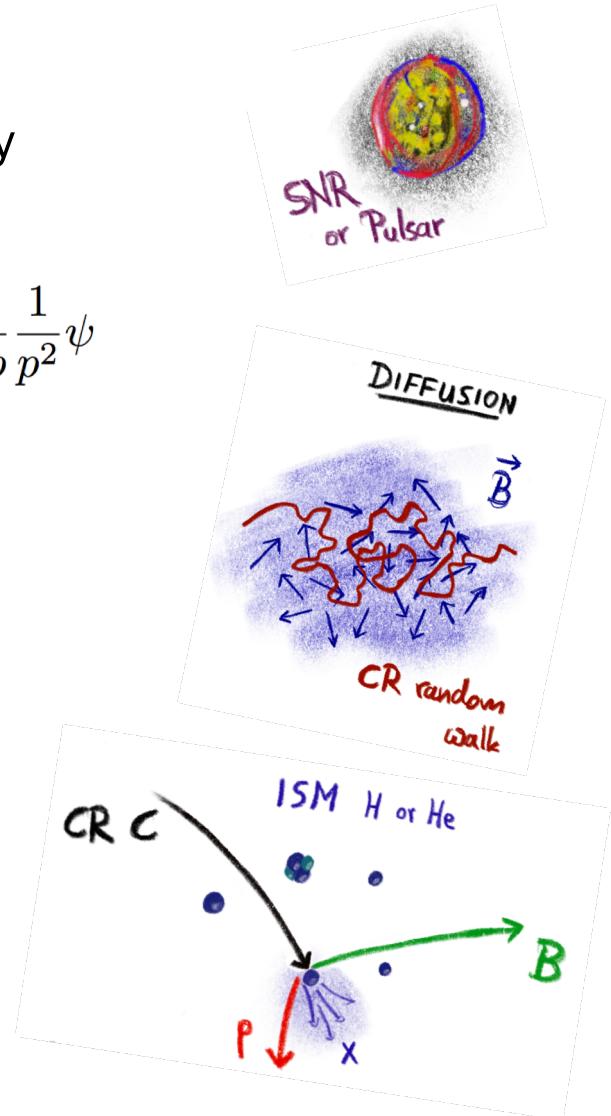
$$\begin{aligned}\vec{j} &= -D \vec{\nabla} \phi \\ \partial_t \phi &= -\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{j}\end{aligned}\quad \left.\right\} \quad \boxed{\partial_t \phi = +\vec{\nabla} \cdot D \vec{\nabla} \phi}$$

Cosmic-ray propagation

- Charged particles in our Galaxy described by a diffusion equation:

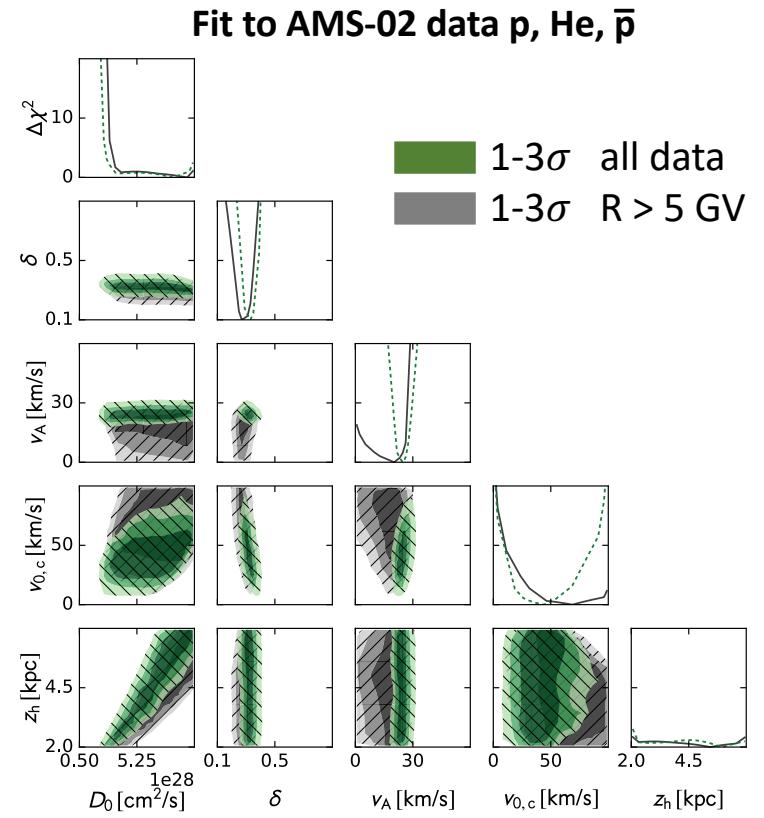
$$\frac{d\psi}{dt} = q(\mathbf{x}, p) + \nabla \cdot (D_{xx} \nabla \psi - \mathbf{V} \psi) + \frac{\partial}{\partial p} p^2 D_{pp} \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \frac{1}{p^2} \psi - \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \left(\frac{dp}{dt} \psi - \frac{p}{3} \nabla \cdot \mathbf{V} \psi \right) - \frac{1}{\tau_f} \psi - \frac{1}{\tau_r} \psi$$

- AMS-02 measures fluxes from 1 GeV to a few TeV
- Primaries (p, He, CNO, ...) produced and accelerated in astrophysical sites
- Secondaries (Li, B, \bar{p} , ...) constrain propagation
- Antiprotons might give rise to DM



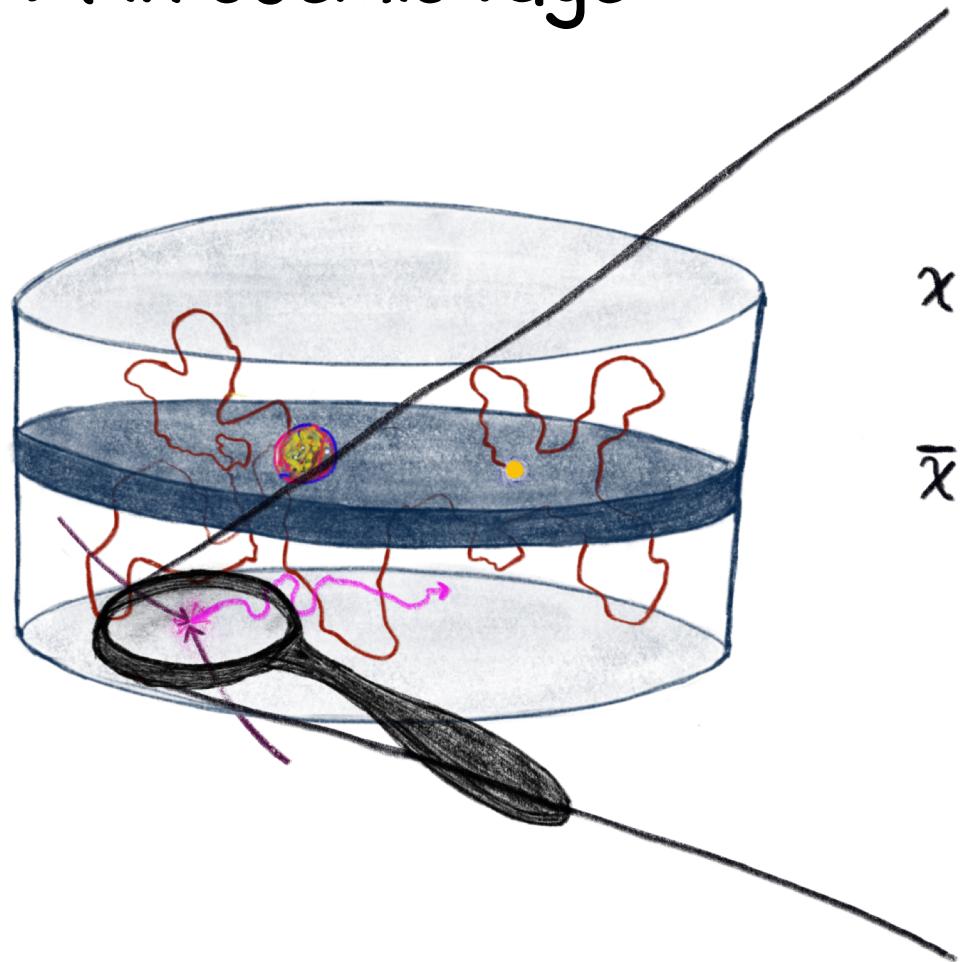
Constrain CR propagation

- Secondary-to-primary ratios constrain propagation since secondaries “undergo propagation twice”
- Standard rulers: B/C and ${}^9\text{Be}/{}^{10}\text{Be}$
 - [Donato, Fornengo, Maurin, Slati; 2004]
 - [Putze, Derome, Maurin; 2010]
 - [Kappel, Reinert, Winkler; 2014]
 - [Johannesson, et al.; APJ; 2016]
 - [Feng, Tomassetti, Oliva; 2016]
 - ...
- Light nuclei: D and ${}^3\text{He}/{}^4\text{He}$
 - [Coste, Derome, Maurin, Putze; 2010]
- Antiprotons
 - [Korsmeier, Cuoco; 2016]

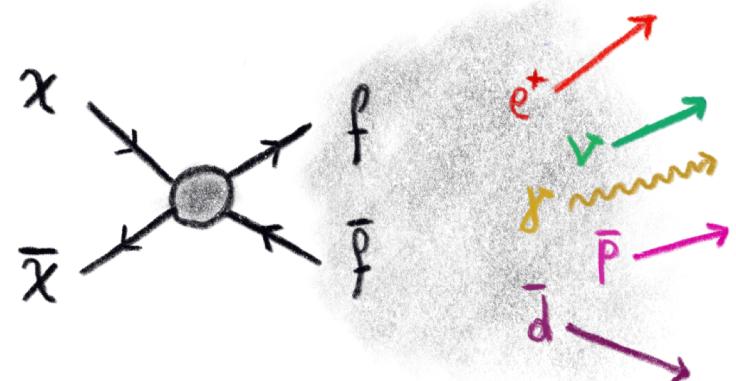


[MK, Cuoco; 2016]

DM in cosmic rays



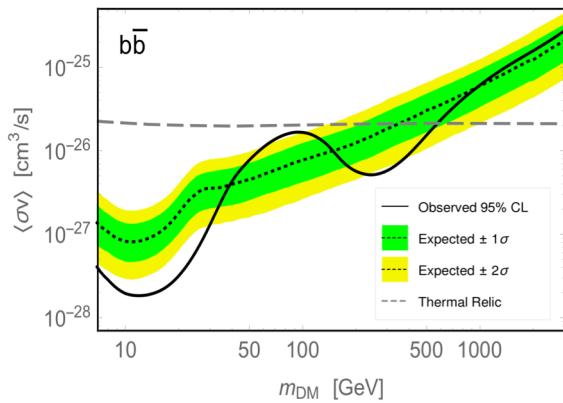
DM ANNIHILATION



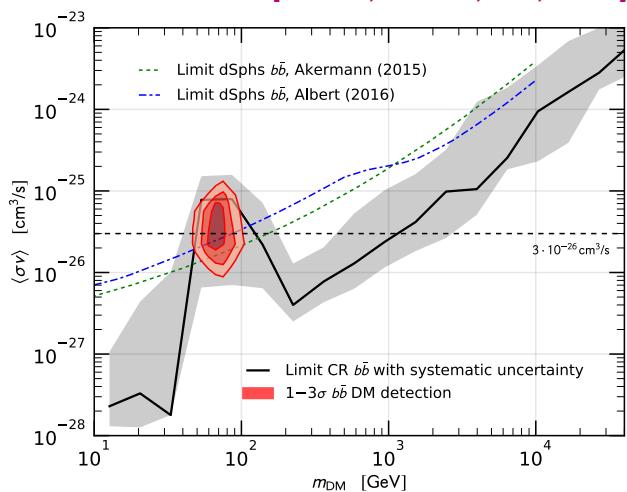
Final states depend
on DM mass and
thermally averaged
annihilation cross
section $\langle \sigma v \rangle$!

DM and CR antiprotons

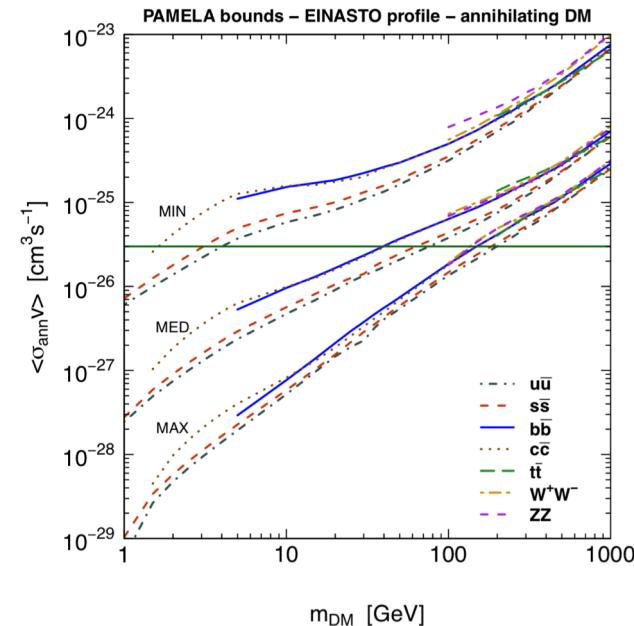
[Reinert, Winkler; 2018]



[Cuoco , Krämer, MK; 2017]

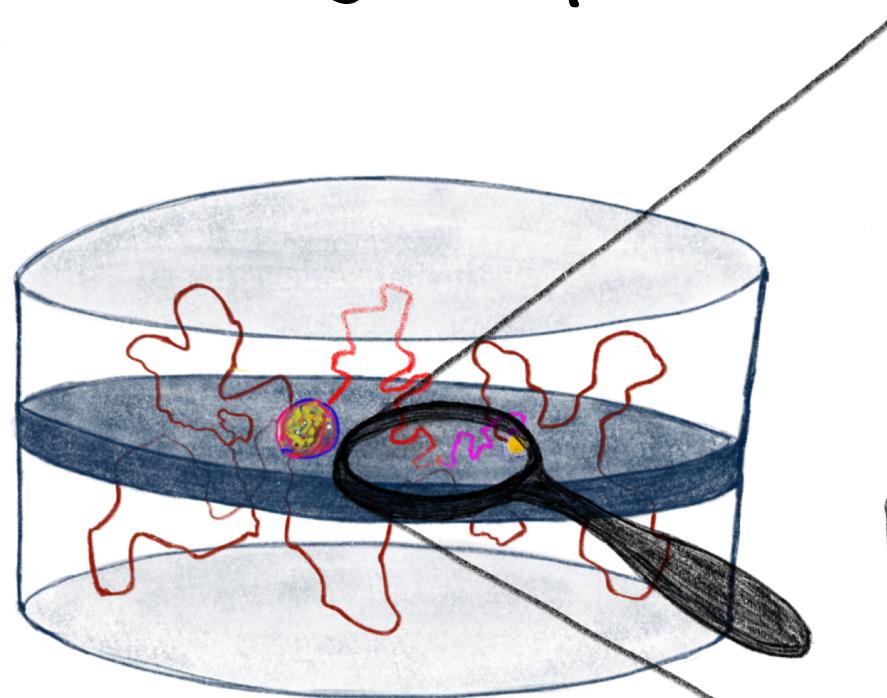


[Fornengo, Maccione, Vittino; 2014]

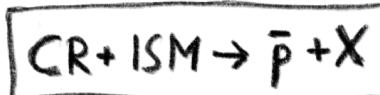
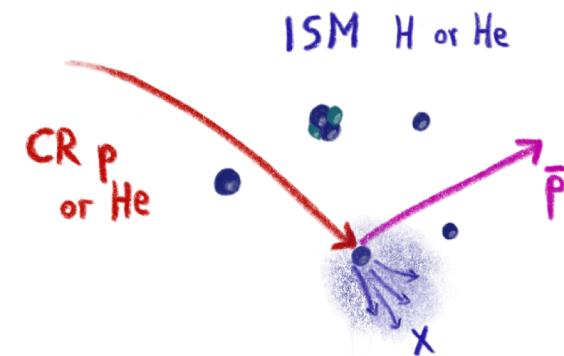


- CR antiprotons constrain WIMP DM parameter space
- Signatures in the antiproton flux might reveal hints for DM
- **But:** the estimation of systematic uncertainties is non-trivial

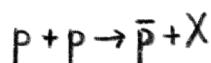
Cosmic-rays antiprotons



ANTIPROTONS



Antiproton production



$$E \frac{d^3\sigma}{dp^3} \sim R(s, x_R) (1 - x_R)^{c_1 - c_2 p_T}$$

scaling violation Feynman scaling invariance p_T suppression

Lorentz transformation
+ angular integration

$$\frac{d\sigma(T, T_{\bar{p}})}{dT_{\bar{p}}}$$

$$q^{\bar{p}}(T_{\bar{p}}) = \int dT 4\pi n_{ISM} \phi_{CR}(T) \frac{d\sigma(T, T_{\bar{p}})}{dT_{\bar{p}}}$$

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Antiproton production

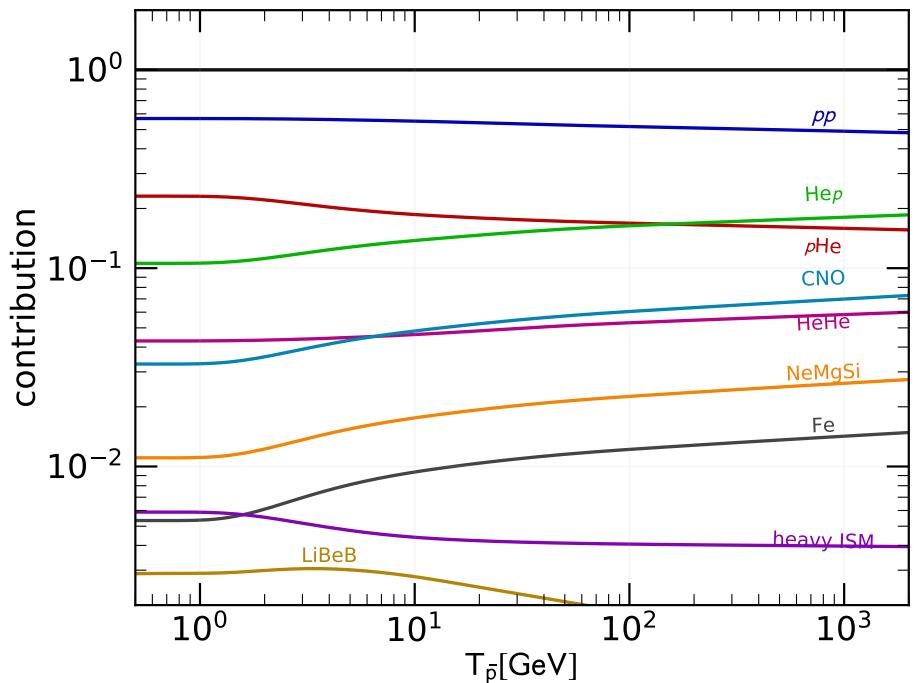
Antiprotons are produced by interaction of CR p and He with the ISM of mostly H and He.



Main production channels:

- $p\bar{p}$ 50%-60%
- $p\text{He}$ 15%-20%
- $\text{He}\bar{p}$ 10%-20%

[MK, Donato, Di Mauro; 2018]

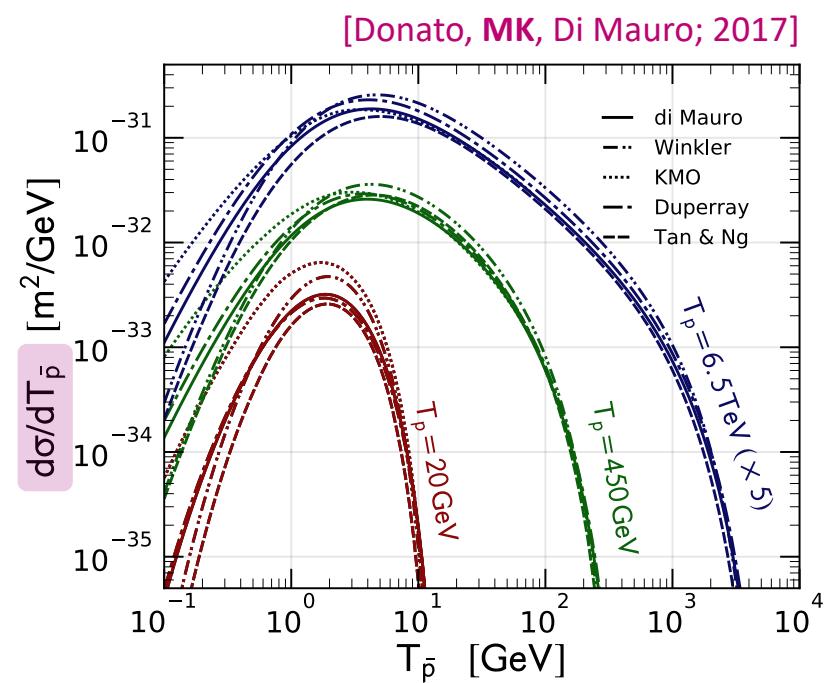
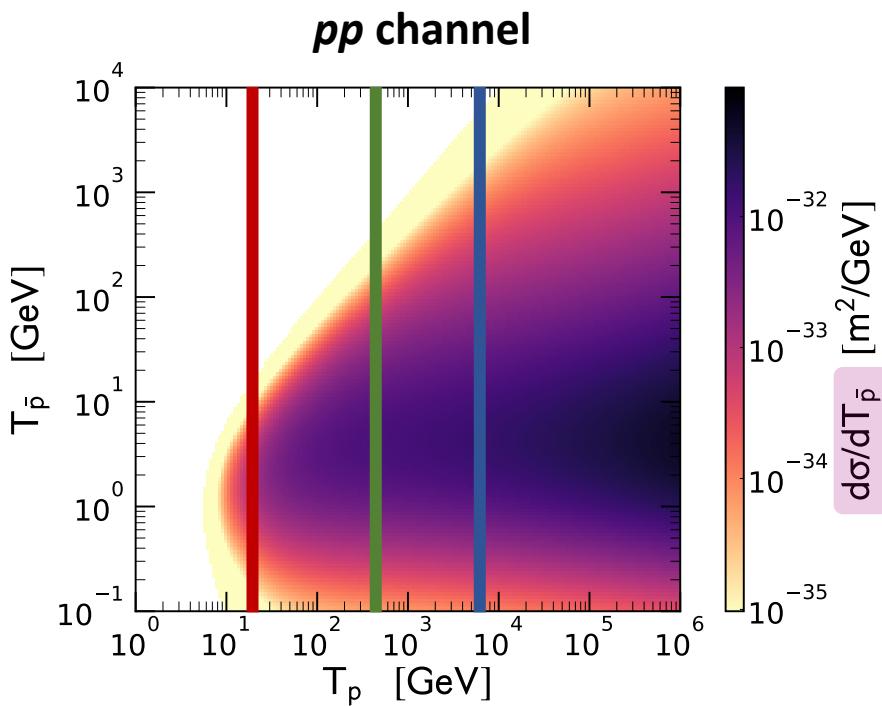


Cross section parametrization

Parameterizations	Channels	Info
[Tan & Ng 1983]	pp	parameterization
DTUNUC (1998-2001)	$p\text{He}$, $\text{He}p$, HeHe	MC (low energy)
[Duperray, et al.; 2003]	pp , pA	parameterization
[di Mauro, et al.; 2014]	pp	parameterization
[Kachelriess, et al.; 2015]	pp , pA , Ap , AA	MC (high energy)
[Winkler, et al.; 2014, 2017]	pp , $p\text{He}$, $\text{He}p$, HeHe	parameterization
[Korsmeier, et al. 2018]	pp, pA, Ap, AA	parameterization

Comparison of cross section parametrizations

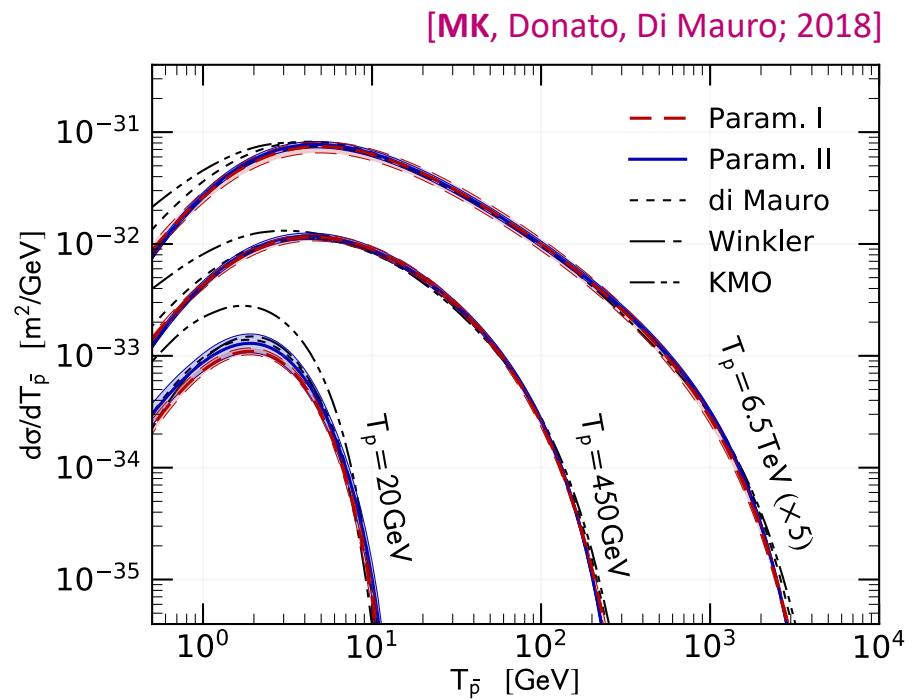
$$q_{ij}(T_{\bar{p}}) = \int_0^{\infty} dT_i \ 4\pi \ n_{ISM,j} \ \phi_i(T_i) \ \frac{d\sigma_{ij}}{dT_{\bar{p}}}(T_i, T_{\bar{p}})$$



Large discrepancies between different parametrizations!

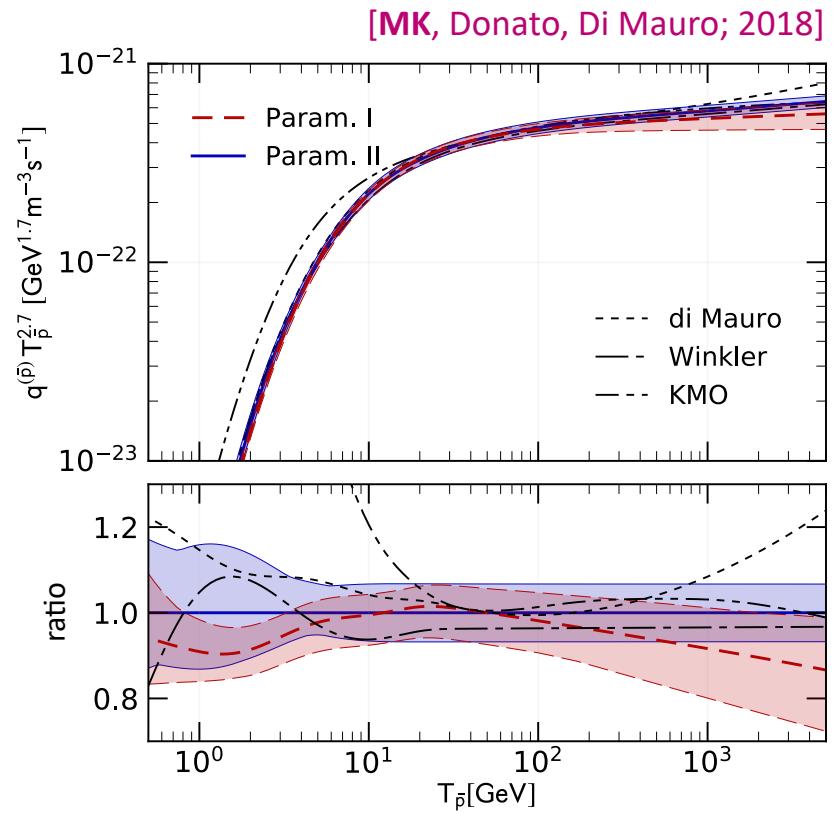
Fits of cross section parametrizations

- Reevaluation of two parametrizations
 - Param. I [Di Mauro, et al.; 2014]
 - Param. II [Winkler; 2017]for $p\bar{p}$ and pA collisions
- Focus on cross section data from NA49 and NA61 in the $p\bar{p}$ channel
- Fit of pA :
 - Rescaling from $p\bar{p}$
 - With ρ He data from LHCb (**recent first-ever determination!**) and ρ C data from NA49



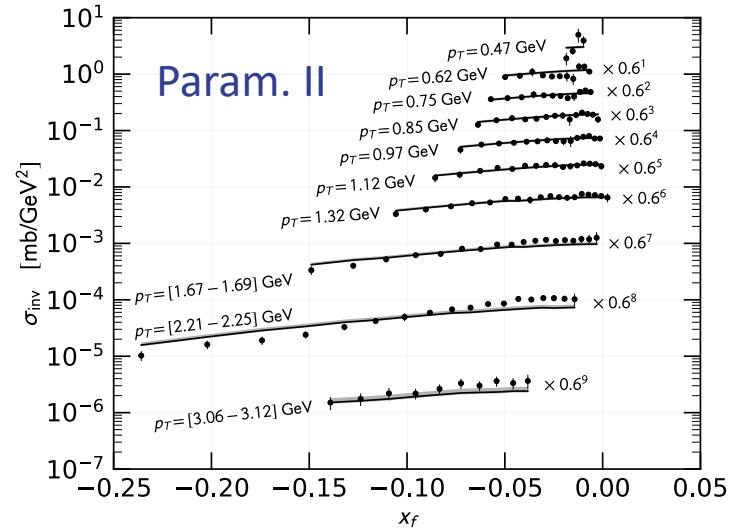
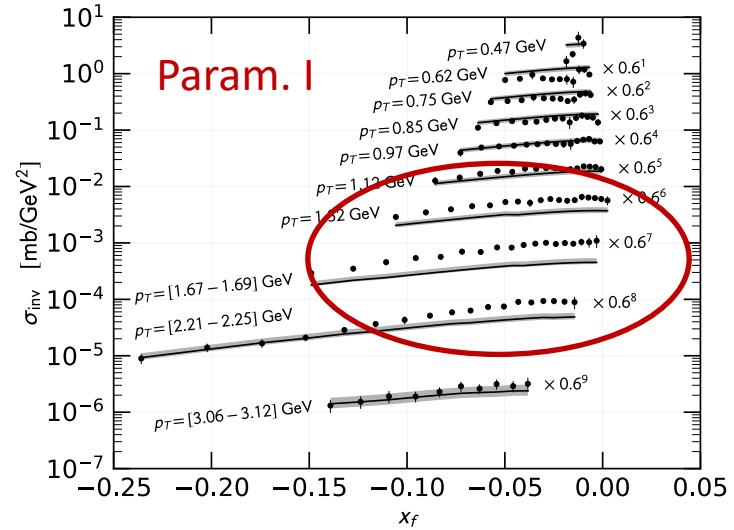
Comparison at the source term level

- 8% uncertainty (2σ confidence) increasing to 15% at 1 GV
- Agreement of the two parametrizations and with previous analyses
- Kachelriess, et al. overpredicts antiprotons below 10 GeV



Fitting the proton-nuclei channels

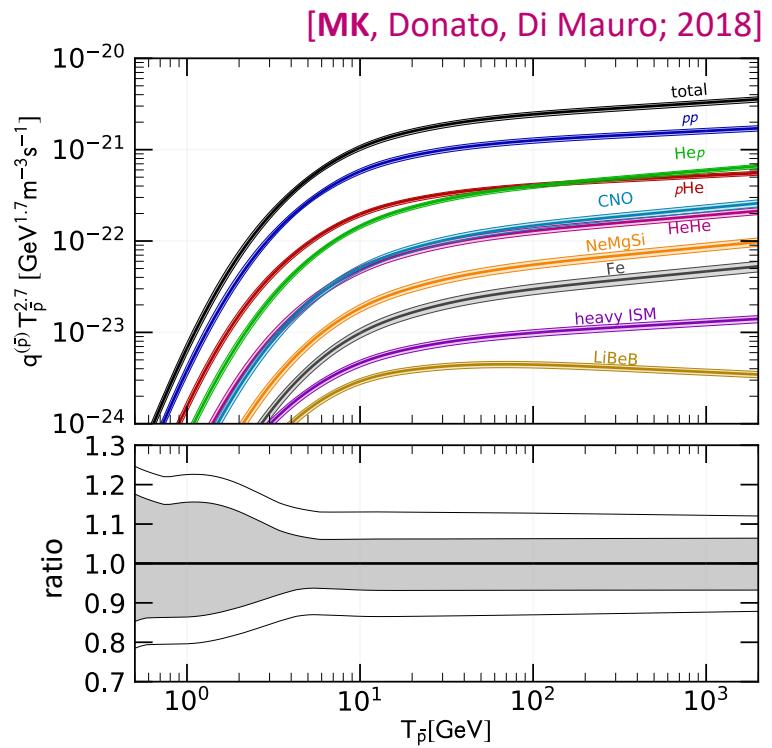
- Data in pA channels is scarce
=> No stand-alone parametrization
- Our Ansatz: fit a rescaling of the pp channel
- LHCb provides the first ever measurement of antiproton production from a proton beam at $T_p = 6.5$ TeV on fix-target helium
- LHCb data gives preference for Param. II at large energies



[MK, Donato, Di Mauro; 2018]

Total antiproton source term

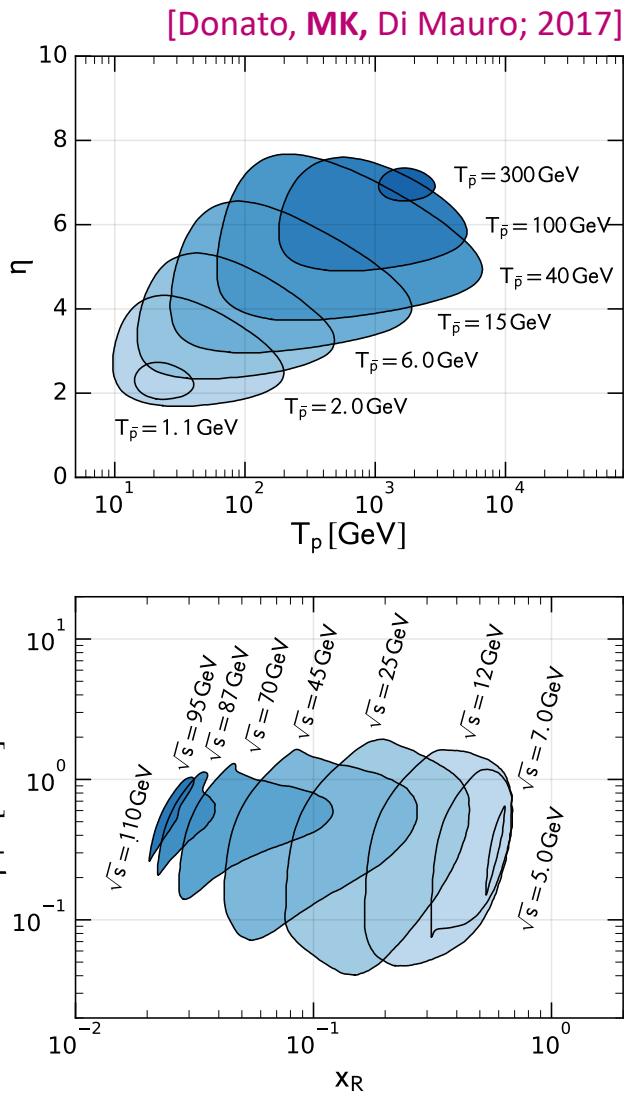
- Uncertainties from $p\bar{p}$ translate into all channels
- Antiproton production from antineutron or antihyperon decay adds 5% uncertainty



How to improve cross section uncertainties

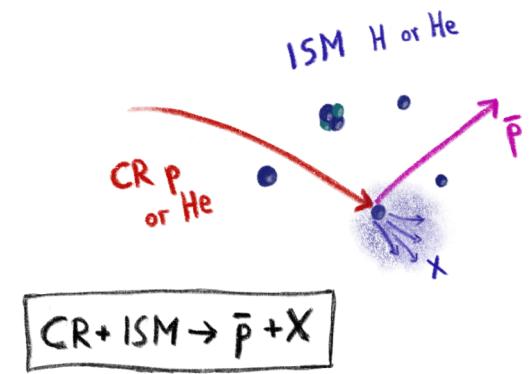
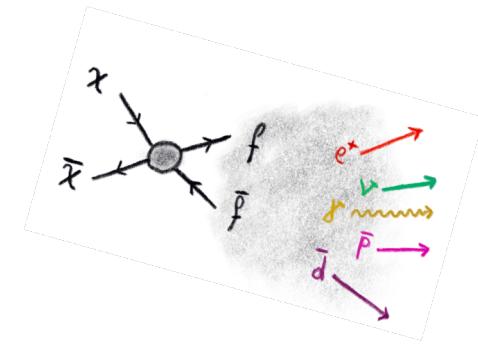
What is the required precision of the antiproton production cross sections to match the accuracy of AMS-02 flux measurements?

- We provide a guideline for future experiments concerning the most relevant kinematic parameter space
- If the cross sections $E \frac{d^3\sigma}{dp^3}(\sqrt{s}, x_R, p_T)$ are known by 3% inside the blue contours we reach AMS-02 accuracy



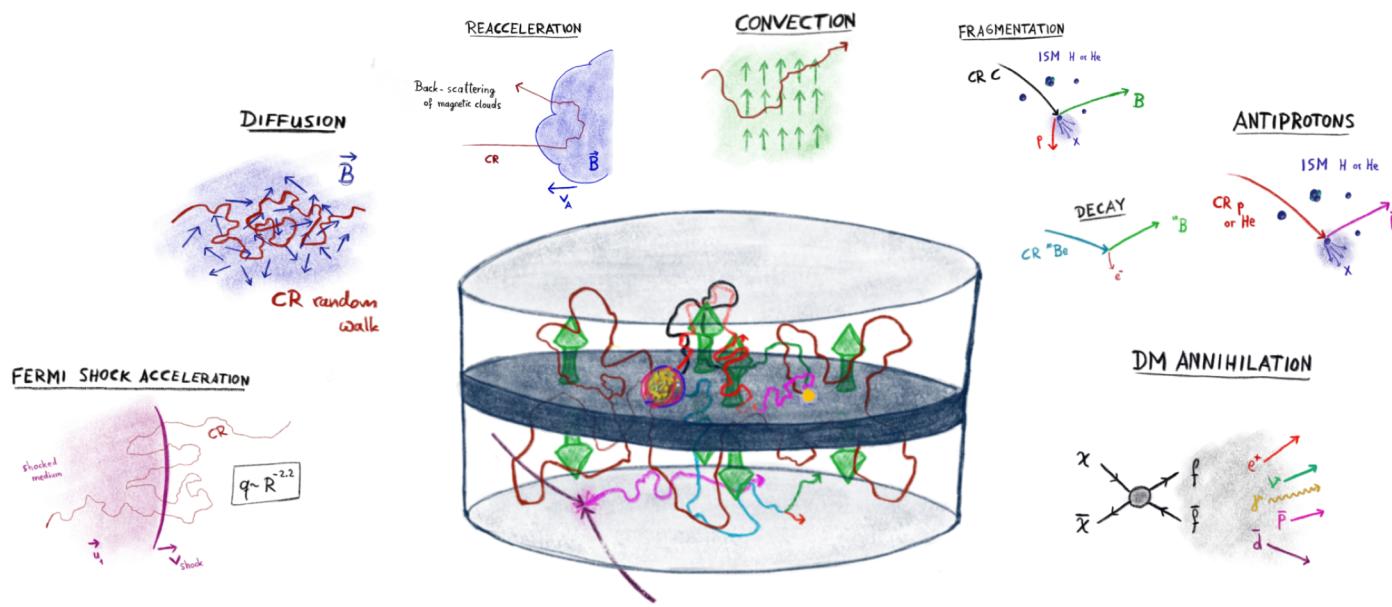
Conclusion

- We provide a description of cross sections and uncertainties for antiproton production in proton-proton and proton-nucleus collisions
- Further efforts are required to reach AMS-02 flux accuracy
- We determine the the most relevant parameter space for future cross section measurements



Thank you for your attention!

Backup



XS parametrizations

Parametrization I

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{\text{inv}}(\sqrt{s}, x_R, p_T) = & \sigma_{\text{in}}(1 - x_R)^{C_1} \exp(-C_2 x_R) \\ & \times \left[C_3 (\sqrt{s})^{C_4} \exp(-C_5 p_T) \right. \\ & \left. + C_6 (\sqrt{s})^{C_7} \exp(-C_8 p_T^2) \right]\end{aligned}$$

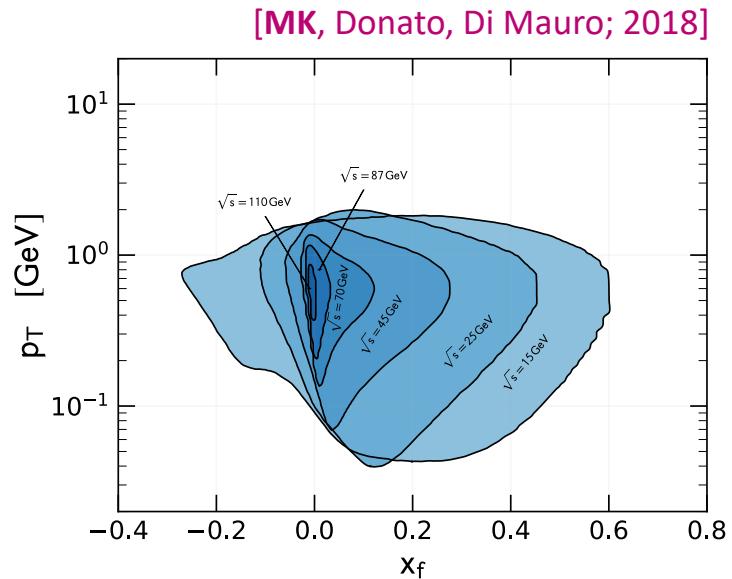
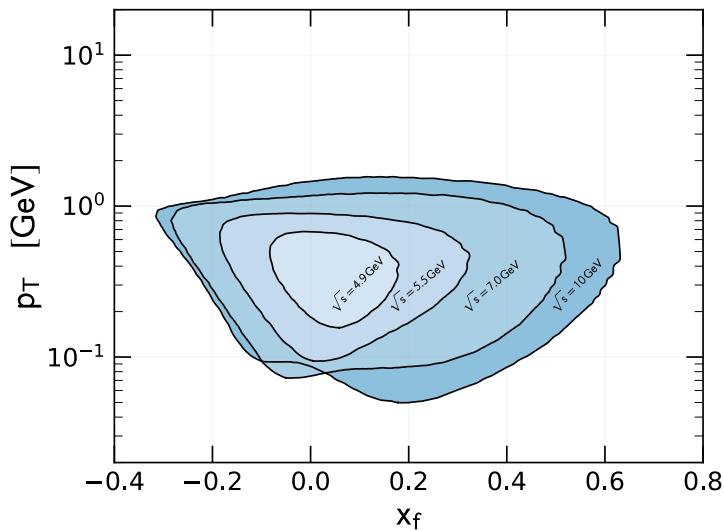
Parametrization II

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{\text{inv}}(\sqrt{s}, x_R, p_T) = & \sigma_{\text{in}} R C_1 (1 - x_R)^{C_2} \\ & \times \left[1 + \frac{X}{\text{GeV}} (m_T - m_p) \right]^{\frac{-1}{C_3 X}}\end{aligned}$$

$$R = \begin{cases} 1 & \sqrt{s} \geq 10 \text{ GeV} \\ \left[1 + C_5 \left(10 - \frac{\sqrt{s}}{\text{GeV}} \right)^5 \right] & \text{elsewhere} \\ \times \exp \left[C_6 \left(10 - \frac{\sqrt{s}}{\text{GeV}} \right)^2 \right] \\ \times (x_R - x_{R,\min})^2 \end{cases}$$

$$X = C_4 \log^2 \left(\frac{\sqrt{s}}{4m_p} \right)$$

Most relevant kinematic parameter space for XS measurements



XS coverage of the source term

