

# AMS02, Fermi and Planck space experiments: an experimentalist perspective.

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# Outline

## 1. Detectors for Space Experiments

- Why
- How
- Where (this is easy: in Space)

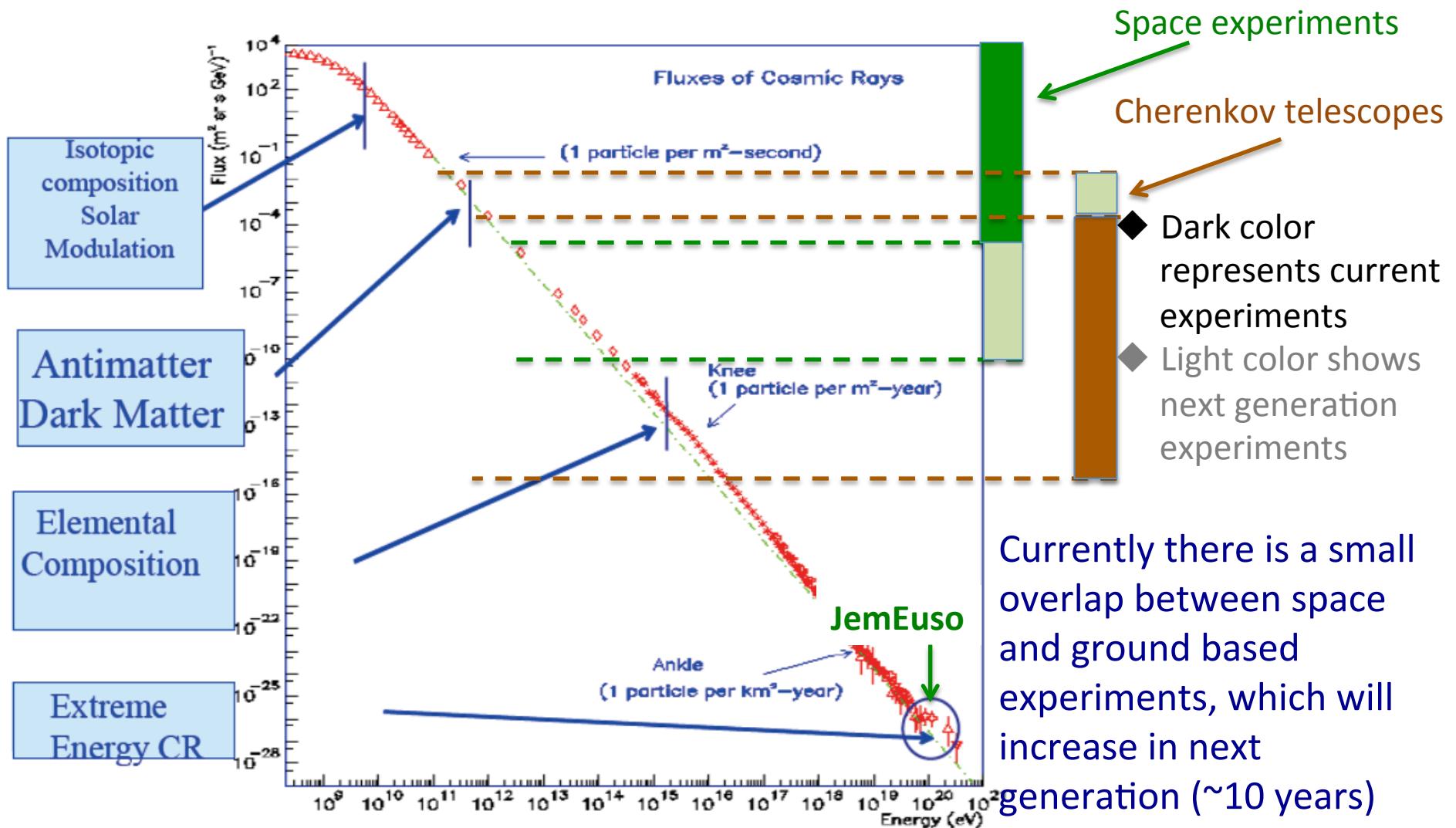
## 2. State of the arts experiments:

- AMS02 : charged cosmic rays
- Fermi : high energy (1-1000 GeV) photons
- Planck : CMB

# 1. Detector for Space Experiments

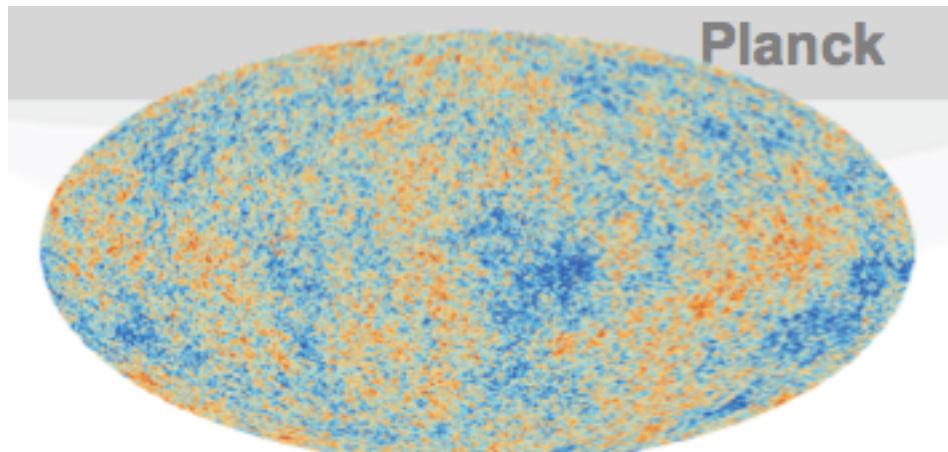
- Building experiments is *an art*
- *Each apparatus is unique* – there are some standard *pieces* (tracker, calorimeter, ...) but each composition is a *delicate interplay between experimental goals, theory, personal attitude* ... and financing agencies!
- This is *even more true in Space Experiments*, which is a relatively young field of research
- In the first part of my talk, I will try to show the *philosophy* behind the experimental solutions that have been taken

# Charged Cosmic Rays

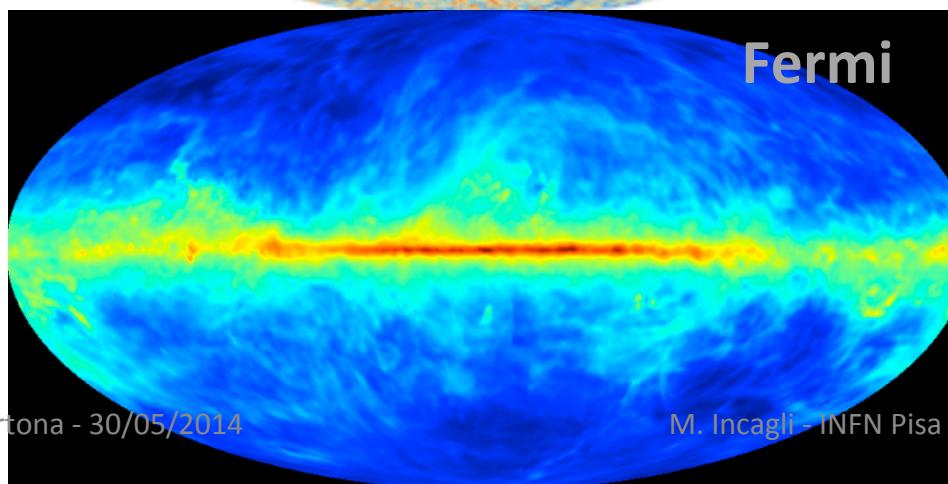


# Neutral Cosmic Rays

- Neutrinos, gravitational waves → not discussed here
- Photons → Multi-WaveLength search



30-1000 GHz →  $\sim 10^{-4}$  eV



0.1-500 GeV →  $\sim 10^{11}$  eV

# Space experiments

- ❖ *Sensitive to “primary” component (i.e. before interacting with earth atmosphere)*
- ❖ *A higher precision on energy and on chemical composition (Z, isotopes) can be reached*
- ❖ With magnet → *sensitivity to anti-particles*
- ❖ Long period of continuos data taking
  - Limited mass
  - Limited geometrical acceptance
  - Large cost

# High-energy space experiments

- High-energy: above 1-10 GeV
- Different *categories* of experiments are possible:
  1. Magnetic spectrometer ( *à la* AMS02 )
  2. Pair-conversion telescope ( *à la* Fermi )
  3. Cosmic Rays calorimeter ( *à la* CREAM or ATIC, but also many new proposals: CALET, ISS-CREAM, GAMMA400, HERD, ... )

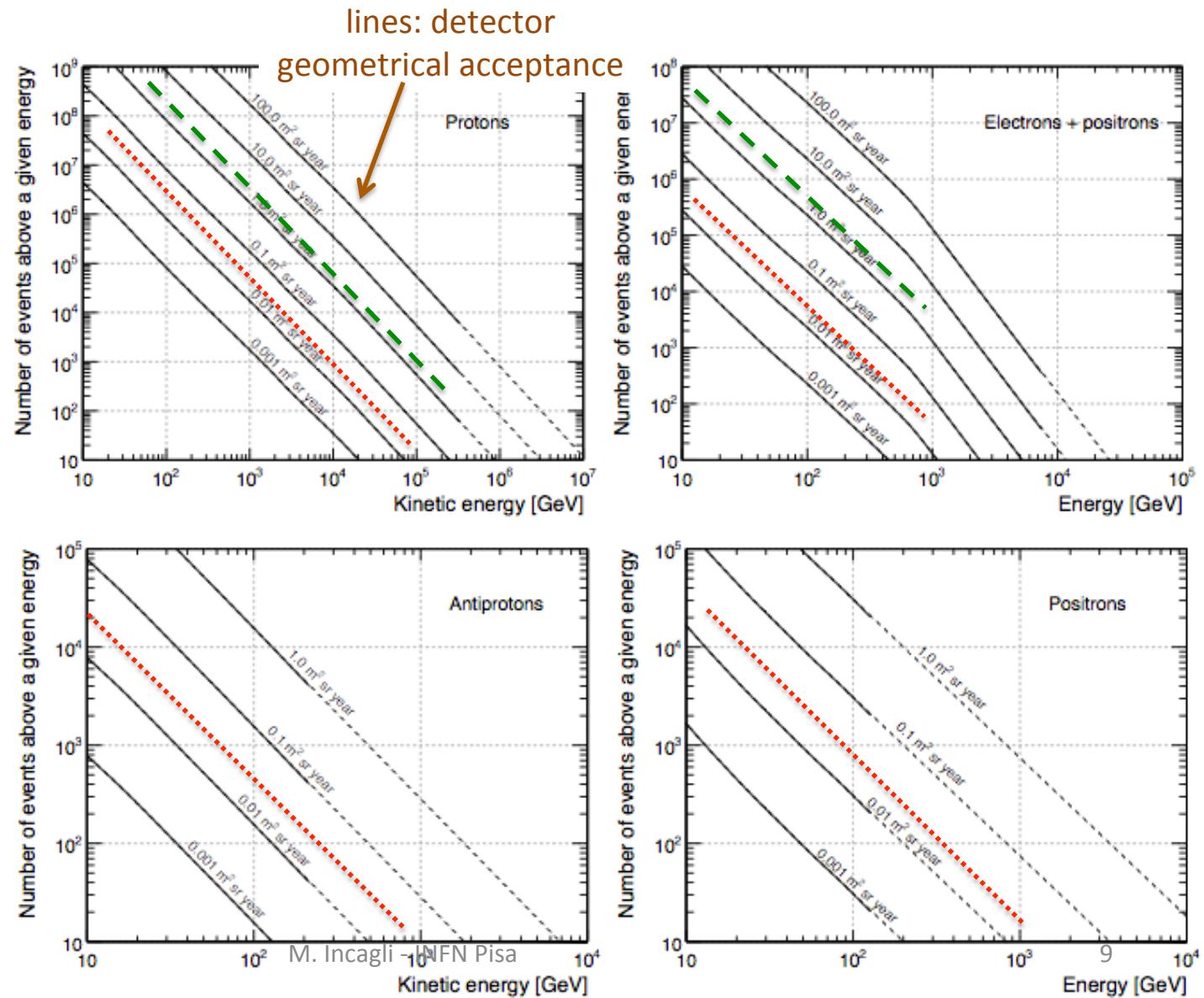
# Spectrometers vs. calorimeters

- Spectrometers : sign of the charge and momentum
  - access to positrons and antiprotons
  - access to CR isotopical composition
  - BUT: big magnets are heavy (permanent magnets) or hard to operate in space(superconducting magnets) → some R&D in progress
- Pair-conversion telescope : gamma physics
  - dedicated tracking stage ( $>1X_0$ ) in which  $\gamma \rightarrow e^+e^-$
  - much better Point Spread Function (PSF = angular resolution)
  - adds some complexity: reduce FOV or loose resolution
- Calorimeters discrimination of nuclei (Z measurement) and ep (electron-proton) separation
  - maximum acceptance
  - reach of high energies ( $\sim 100\text{-}1000$  TeV) for hadrons
  - precise (large statistics) measurement of  $e^+e^-$  flux

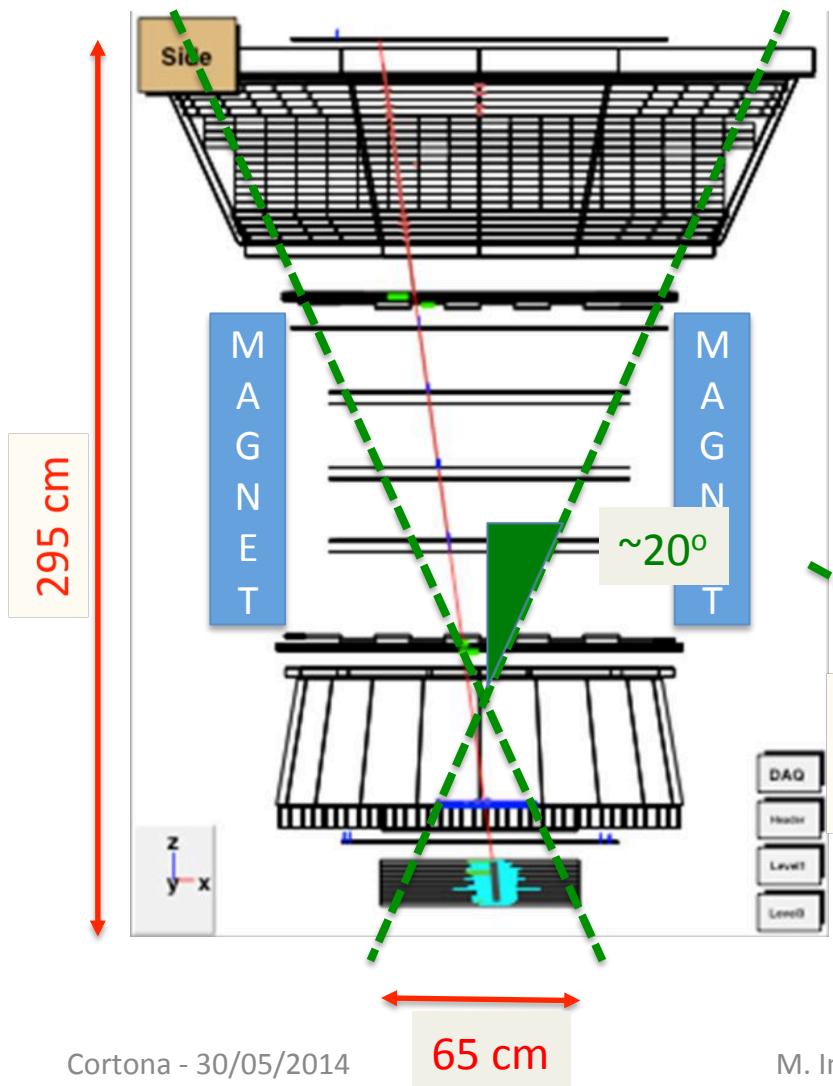
# Integral counts: fluxes rapidly decrease

— Fermi  
- - - AMS02

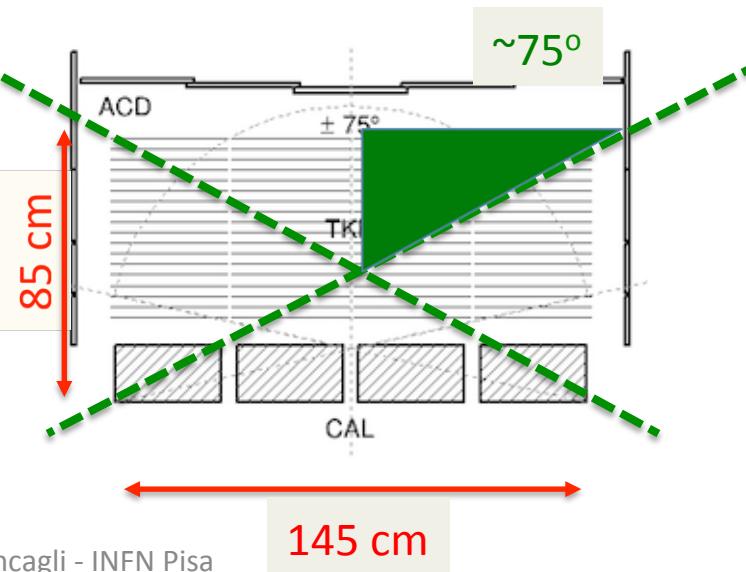
Magnet  
spectrometers  
only



# Comparison AMS02-Fermi



- The 2 detectors in scale
- AMS02 maximizes redundancy, Fermi maximizes acceptance



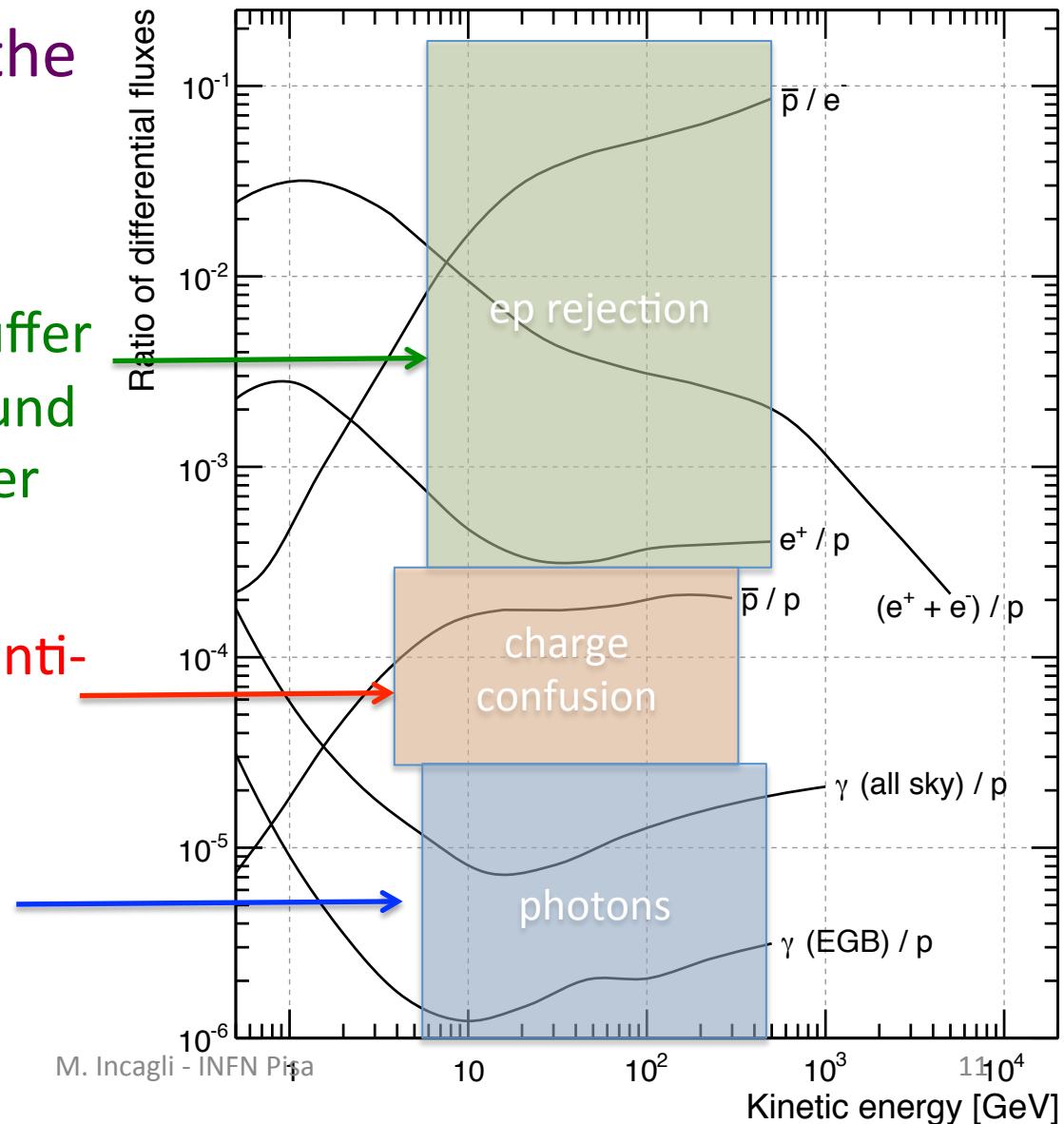
# The issue of background

- But statistics is not the whole story:

✧ electrons (positrons) suffer from a proton background of  $10^2$  ( $10^4$ ) times higher

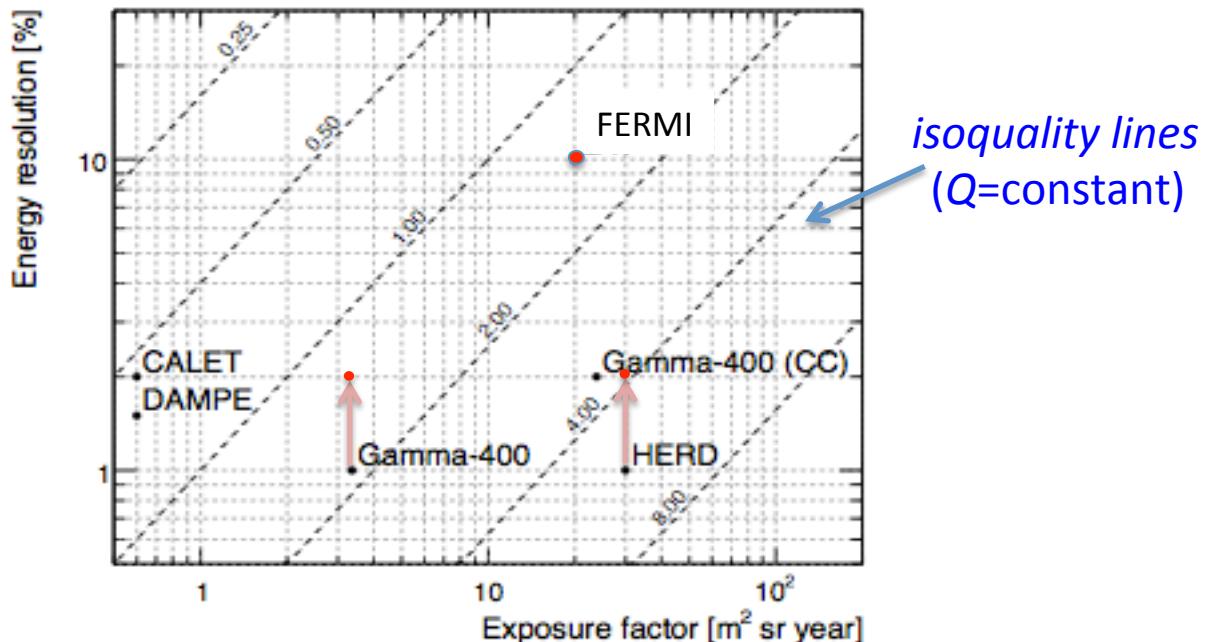
✧ proton background in anti-protons is  $\sim 10^4$

✧ photons need rejection power of  $\sim 10^6$



# Many issues ... I will discuss just one: gamma line search

Gamma line sensitivity:  
Fermi  
compared to  
next  
generation  
experiments



- The basic figure of merit  $Q$  is

$$Q = \frac{n_s}{\sqrt{n_b}} \propto \sqrt{\frac{\mathcal{E}_f}{\sigma_E/E}}$$

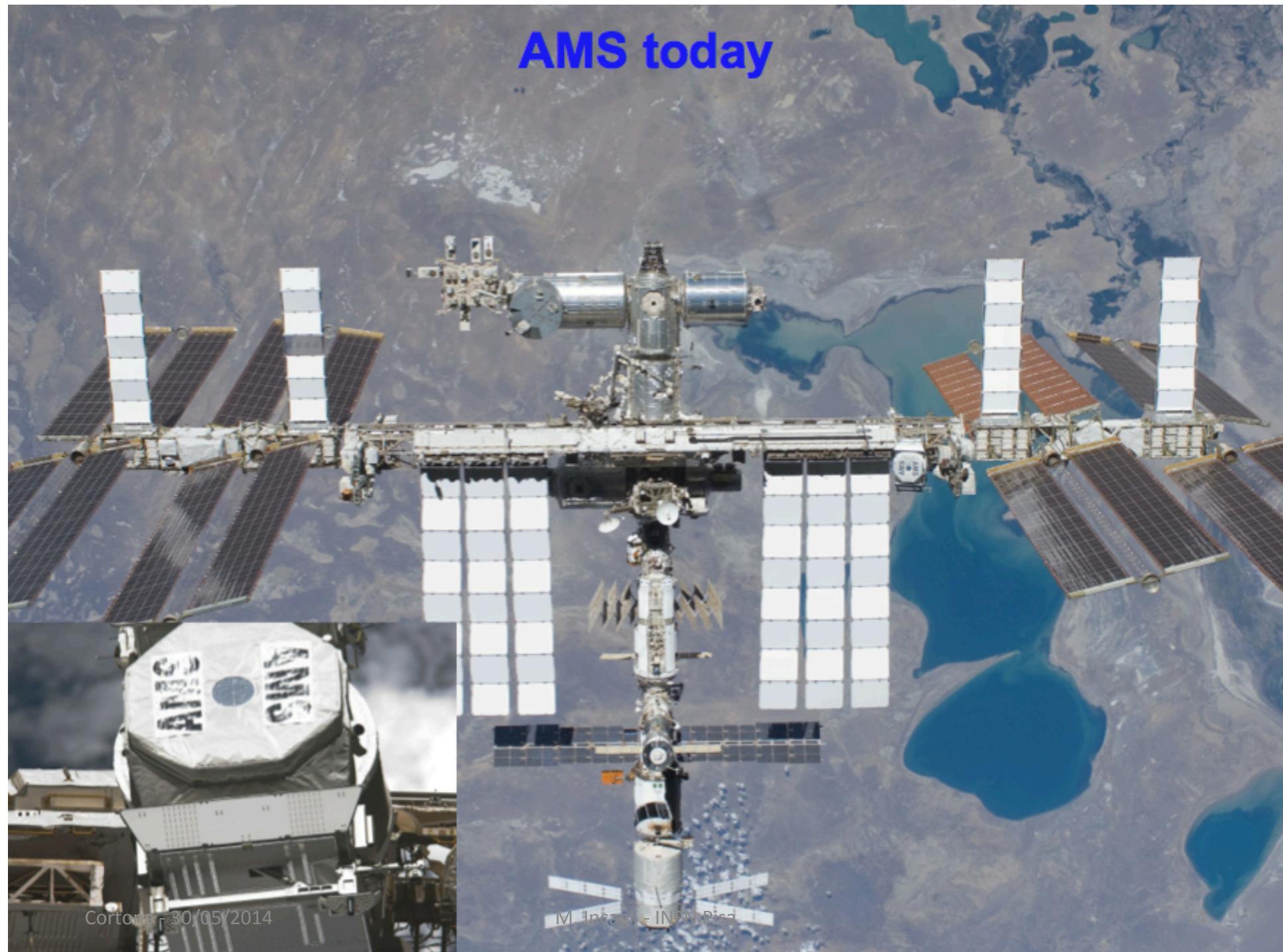
exposure factor      energy resolution

- Better energy resolution is good!
  - But only if you are not trading too much acceptance for that.

Credits to Luca Baldini (Fermi coll.) for the slide

# And now the 3 musketeers

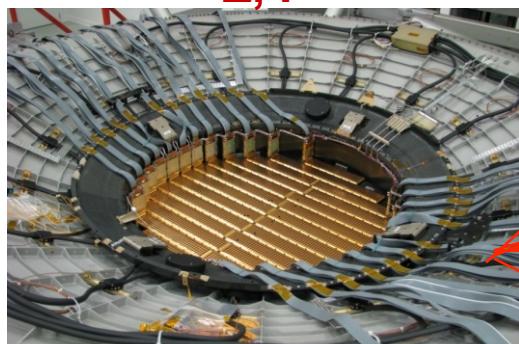




# AMS: A TeV precision, multipurpose spectrometer



TRD  
Identify  $e^+$ ,  $e^-$

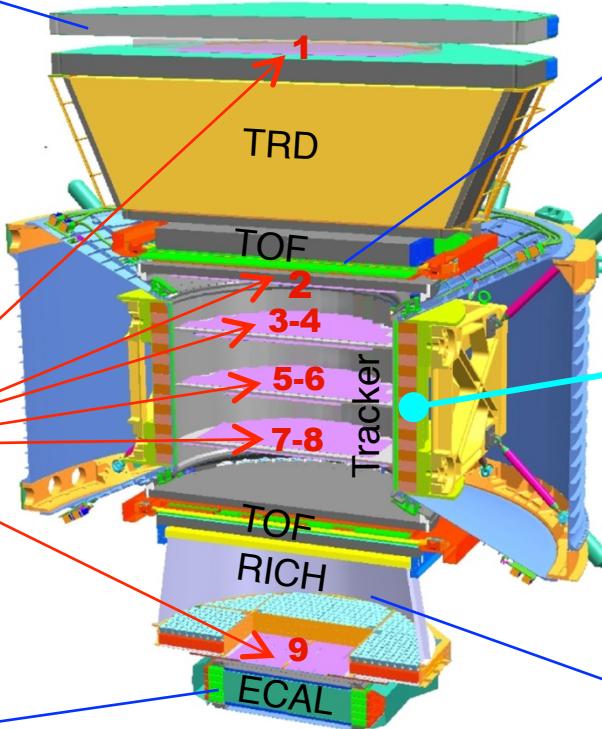


ECAL  
 $E$  of  $e^+$ ,  $e^-$ ,  $\gamma$



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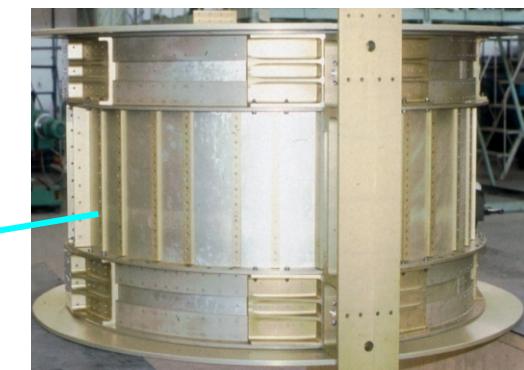
Particles and nuclei are defined by their charge ( $Z$ ) and energy ( $E \sim P$ )



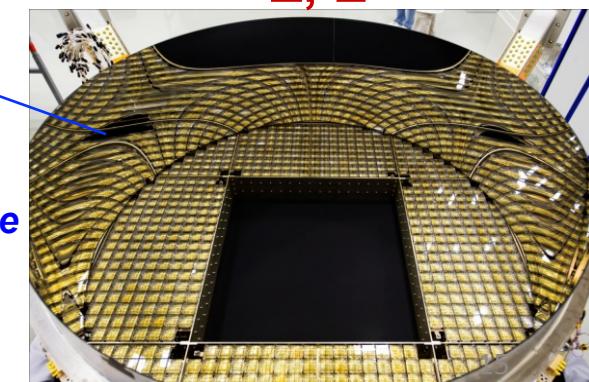
$Z$ ,  $P$  are measured independently by the Tracker, RICH, TOF and ECAL



TOF  
 $Z$ ,  $E$



Magnet  
 $\pm Z$

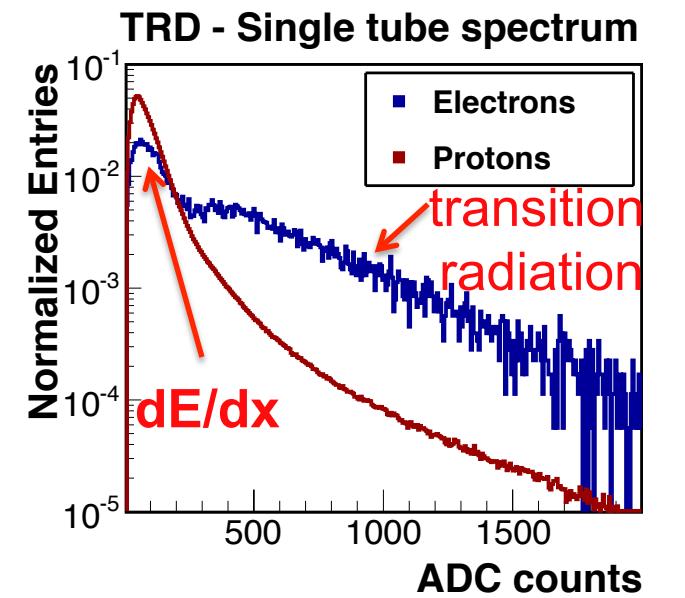
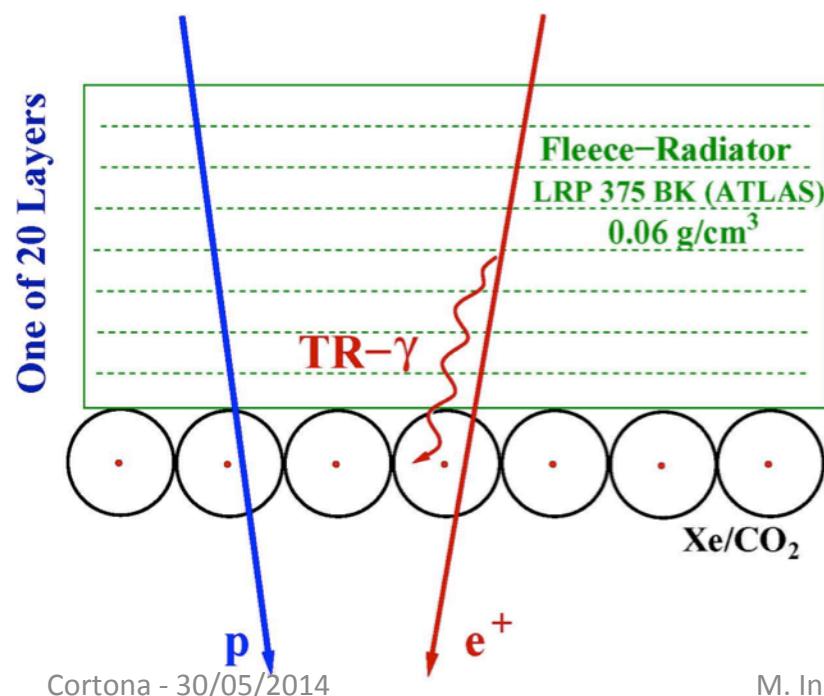


Silicon Tracker  
 $Z$ ,  $P$

# AMS02 redundancy

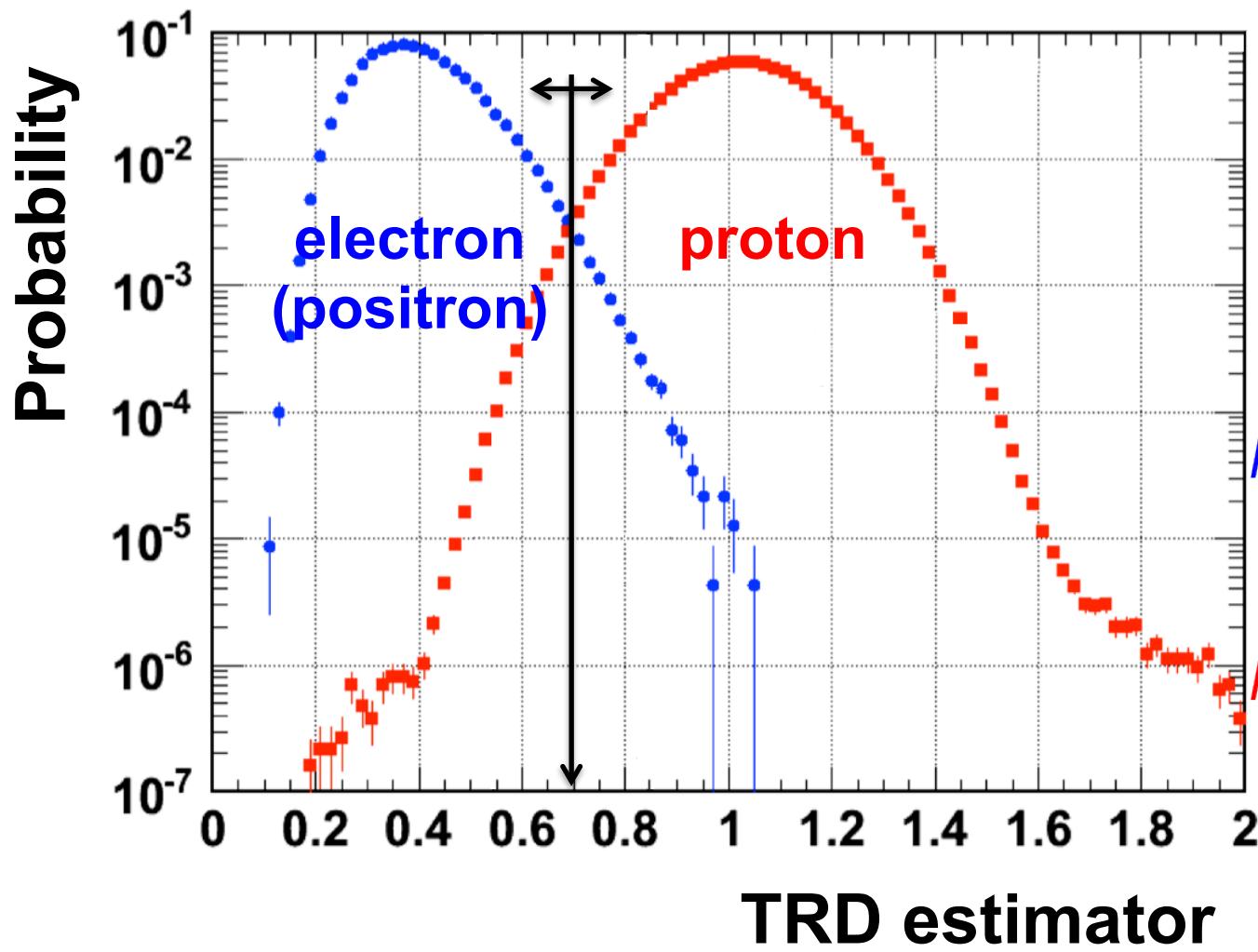
## Example 1: e/p rejection with TRD

- electrons and protons are selected by looking at the *sign in the tracker and at ECAL shower shape*
- with this clean sample, *probability density functions* in each of the 20 TRD layers can be built from data



# ep discrimination with TRD

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



Normalized probabilities  $P_e$  and  $P_p$

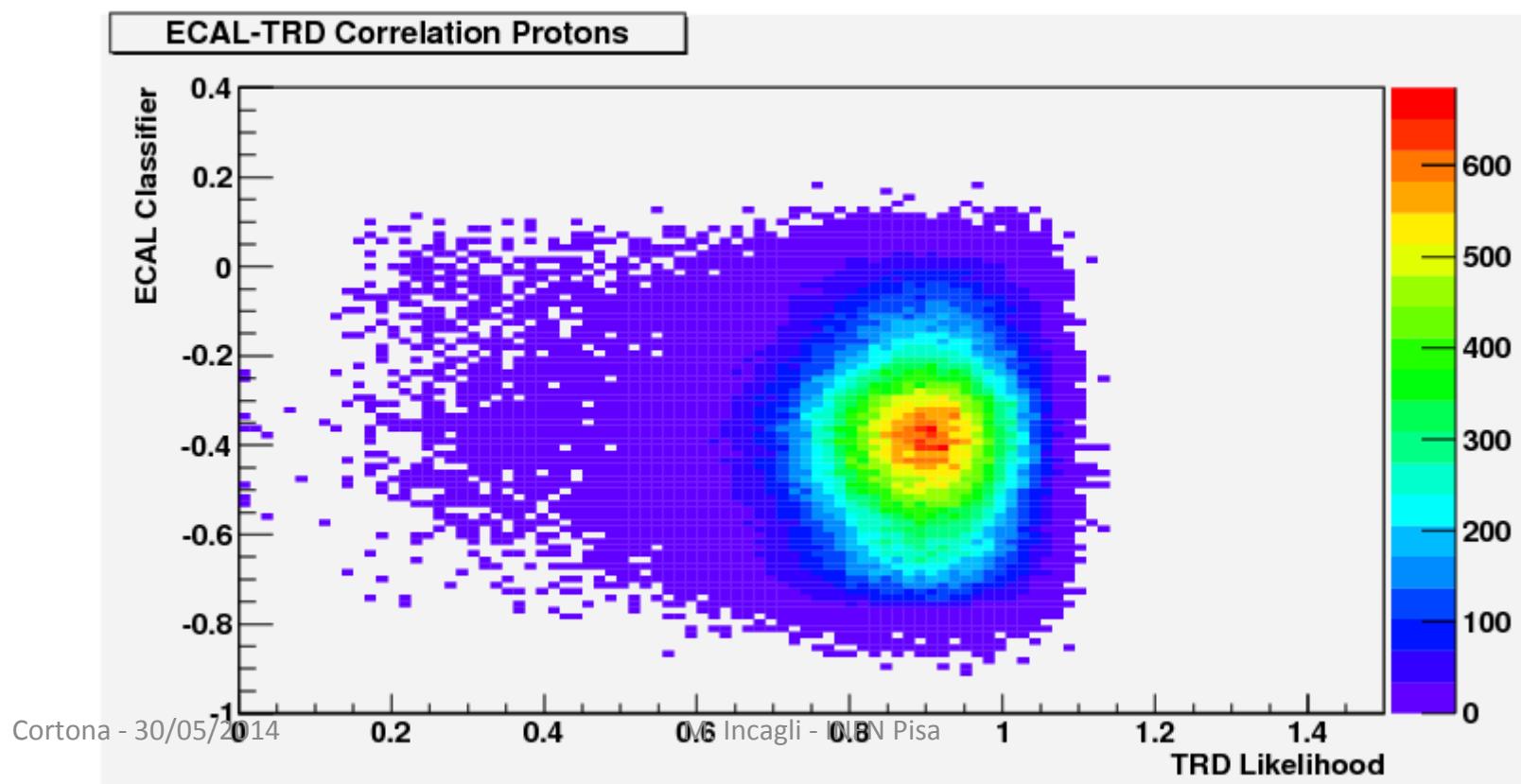
$$P_e = \sqrt[n]{\prod_i^n P_e^{(i)}(A)}$$

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

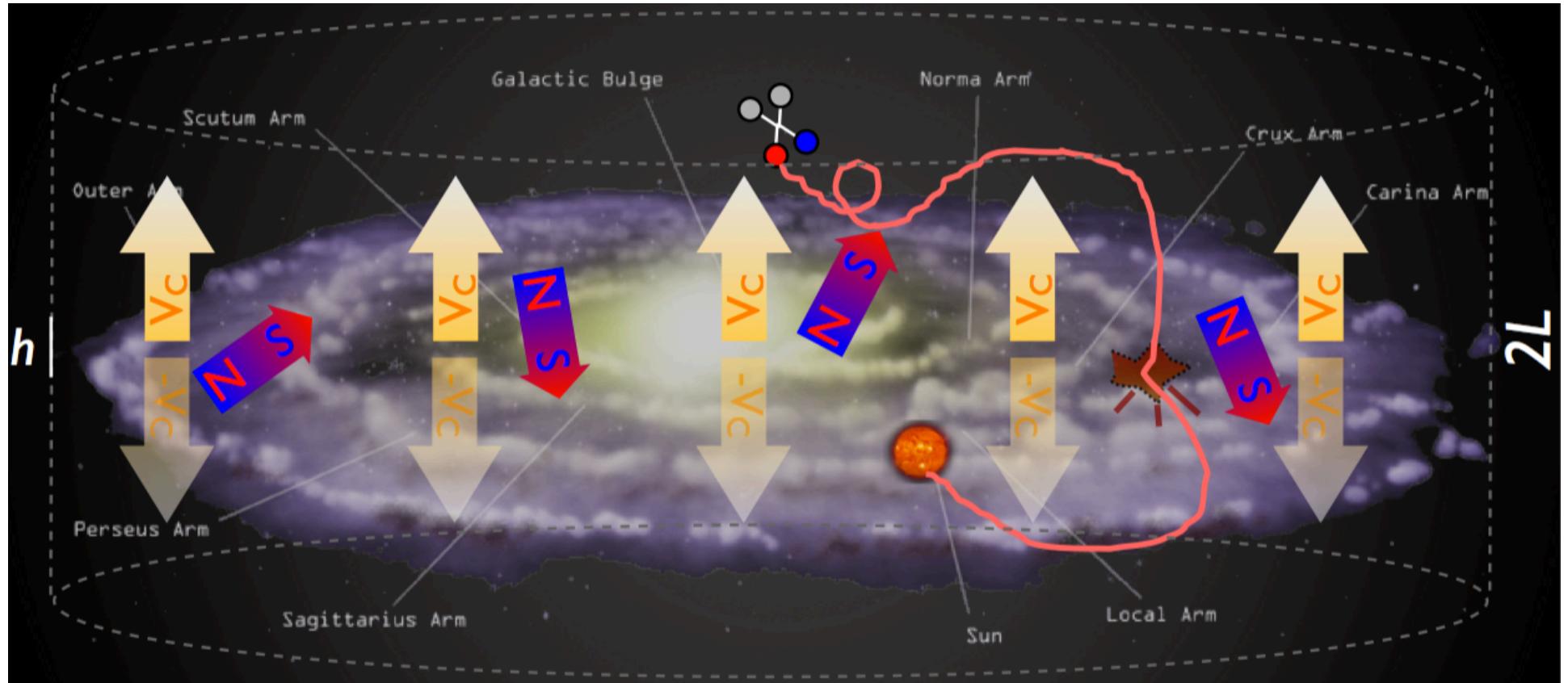
$P_e^{(i)}$  = electron pdf in layer  $i$  (total of 20 layers)

# Are TRD and ECAL correlated?

- Correlation studied with pure (99.9%) primary proton beam of 400GeV/c at Cern SPS
- No sign of correlation observed

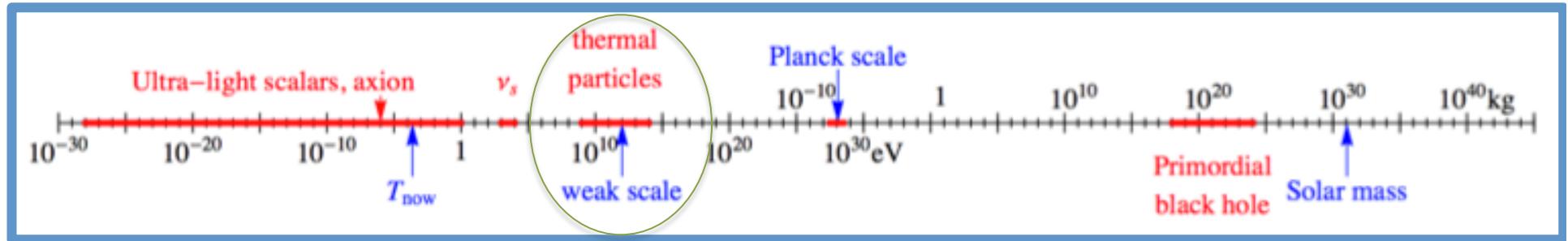


# Physics case: Dark Matter indirect search



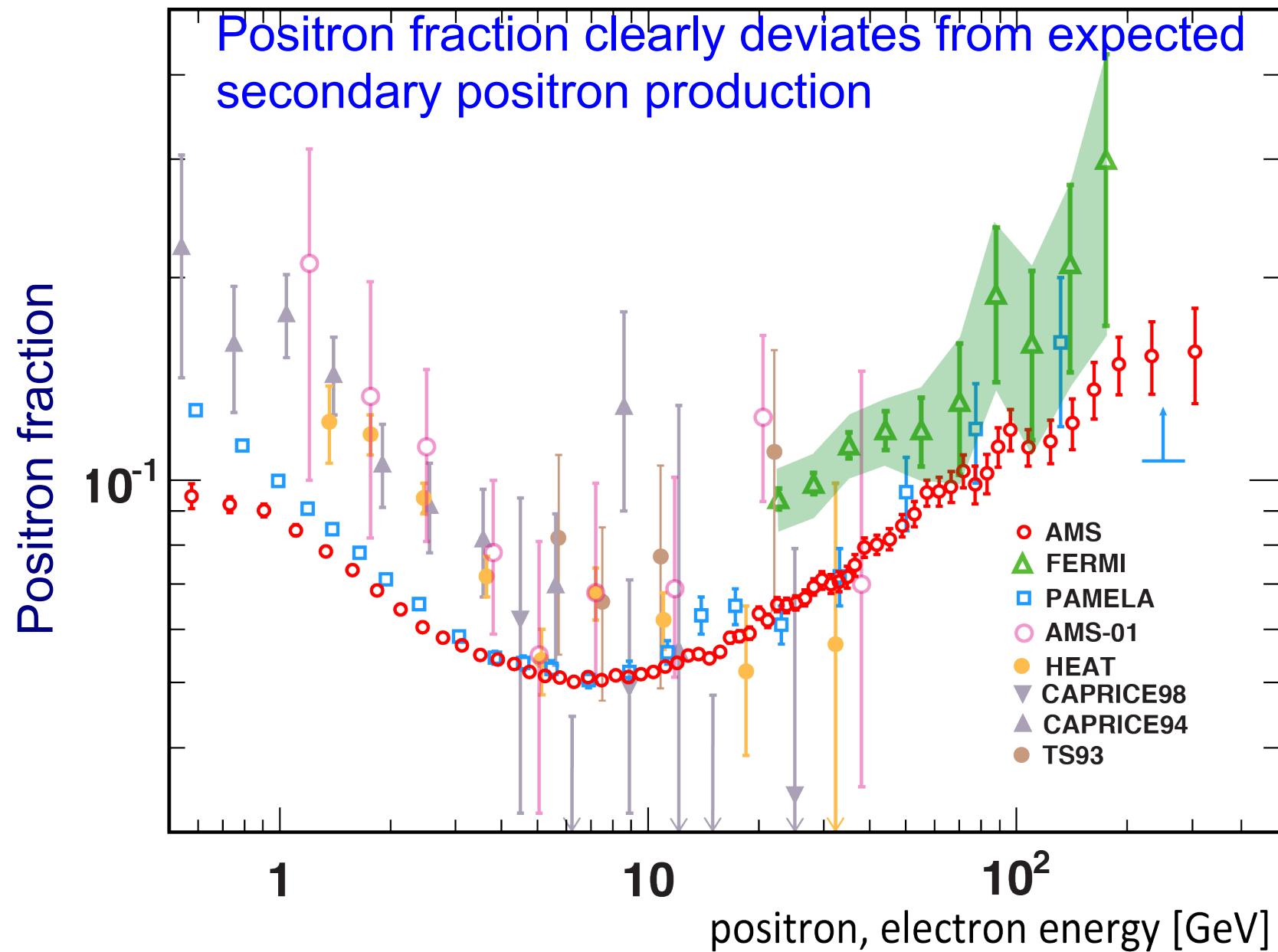
- DM annihilation → decay products, in particular anti-particles, observed by space experiments

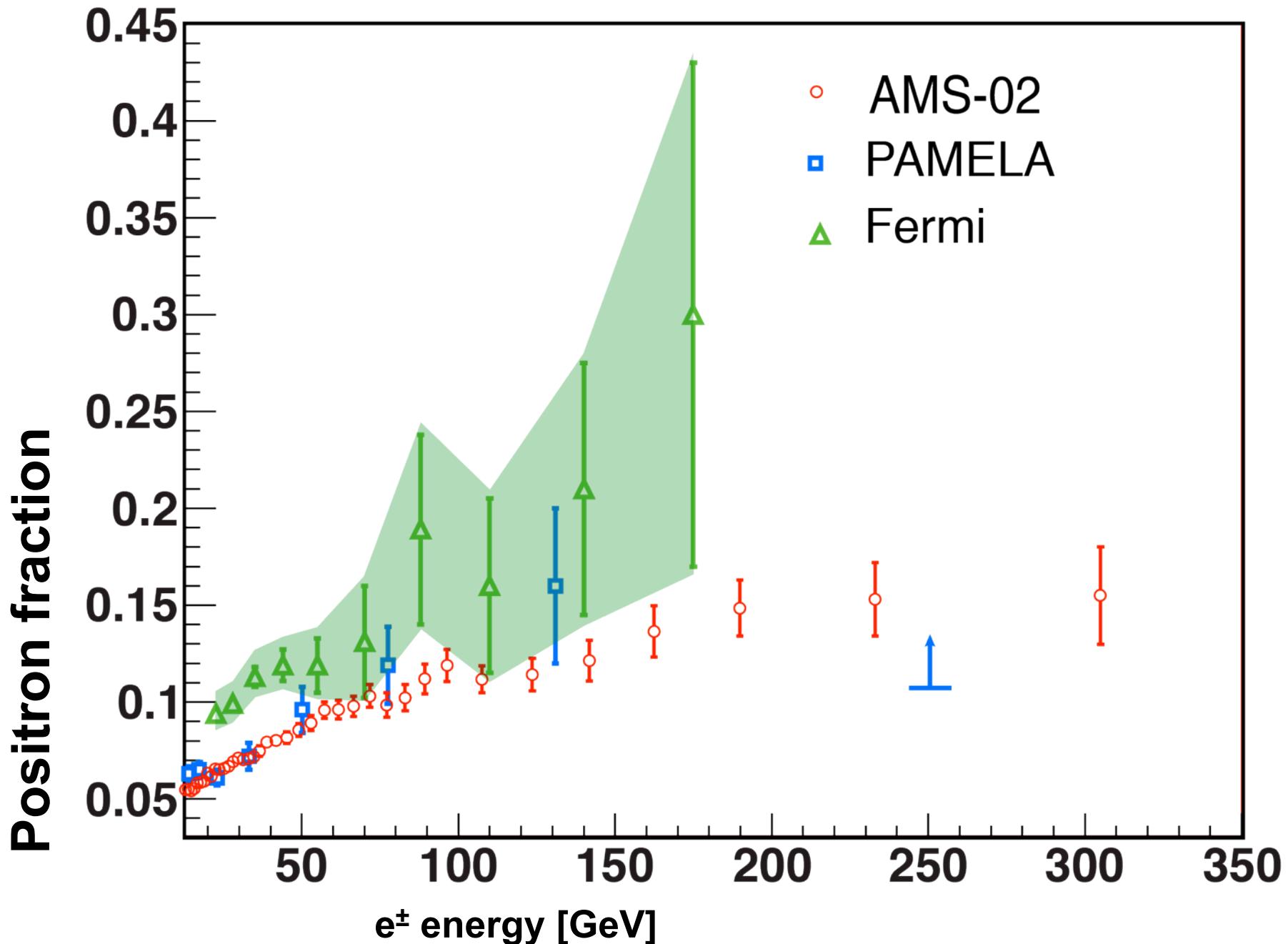
# Dark Matter mass scale



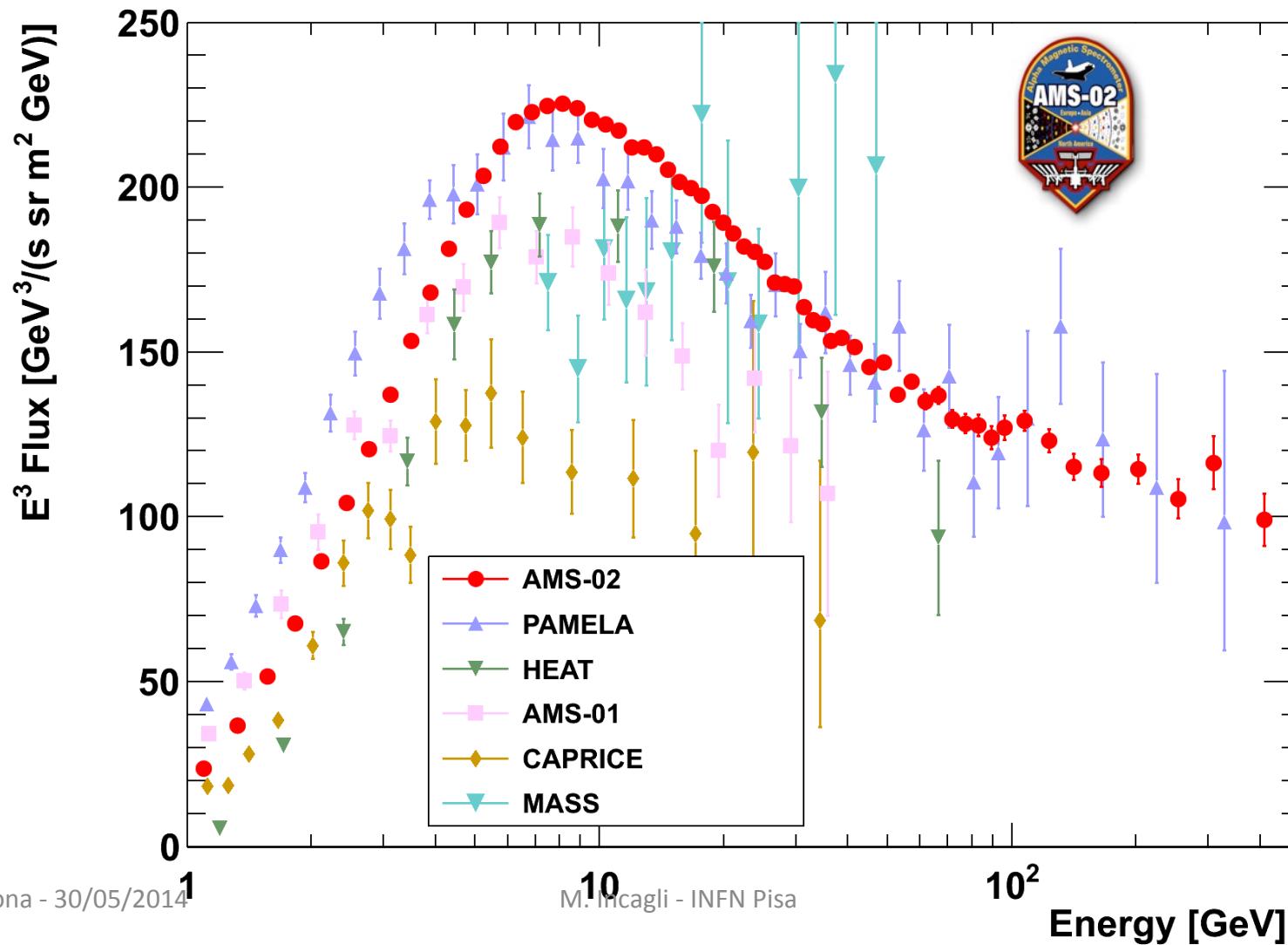
- Small problem: ~50 orders of magnitude to investigate!
- We "like" **weak scale** because it could solve, at the same time:
  - **thermal cross section**  $\rightarrow \sigma v \sim 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3 \text{s}^{-1}$
  - **weak scale**  $\rightarrow$  supersymmetry

# Hints of Dark Matter?



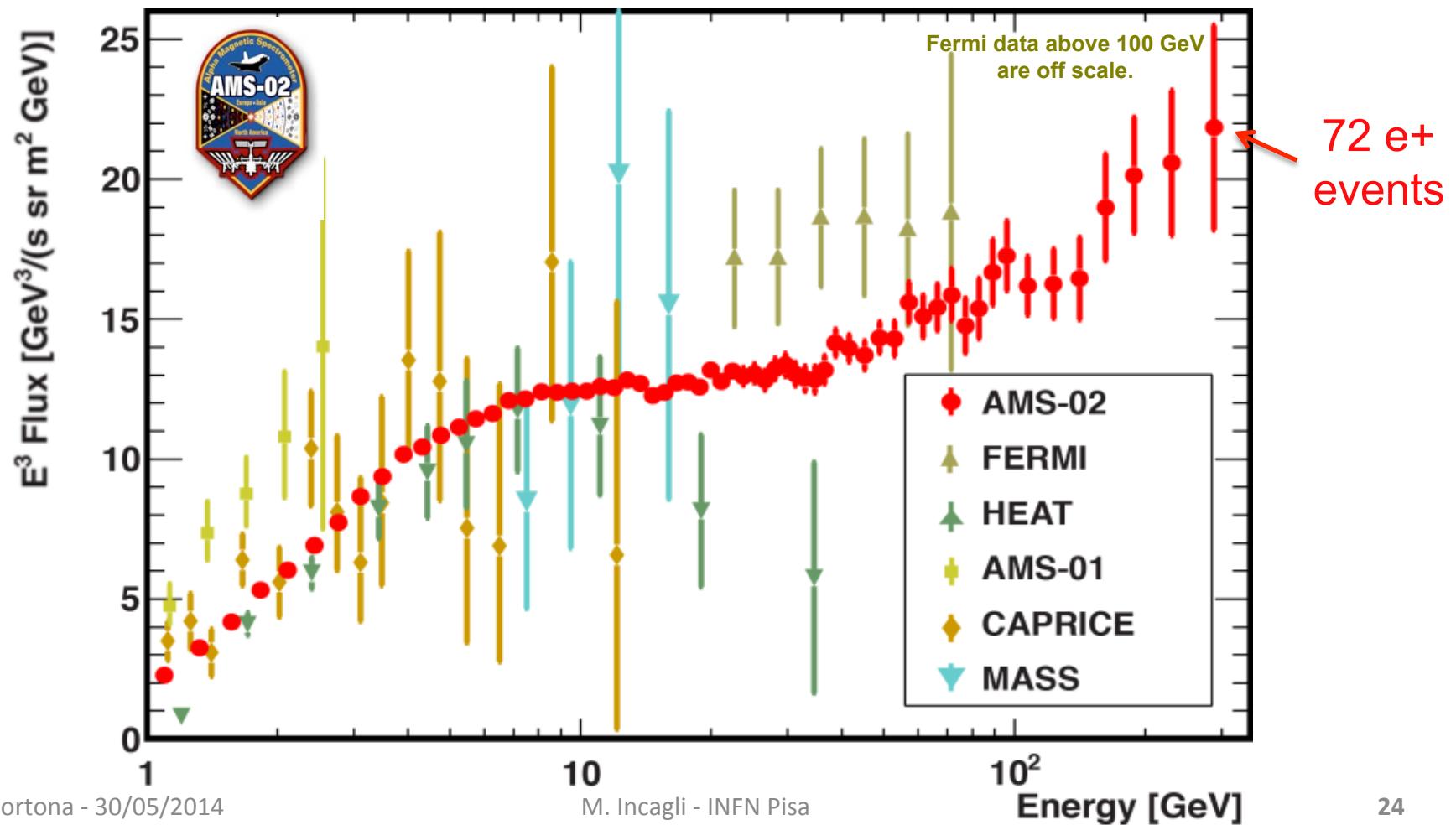


# AMS-02 Electron Flux

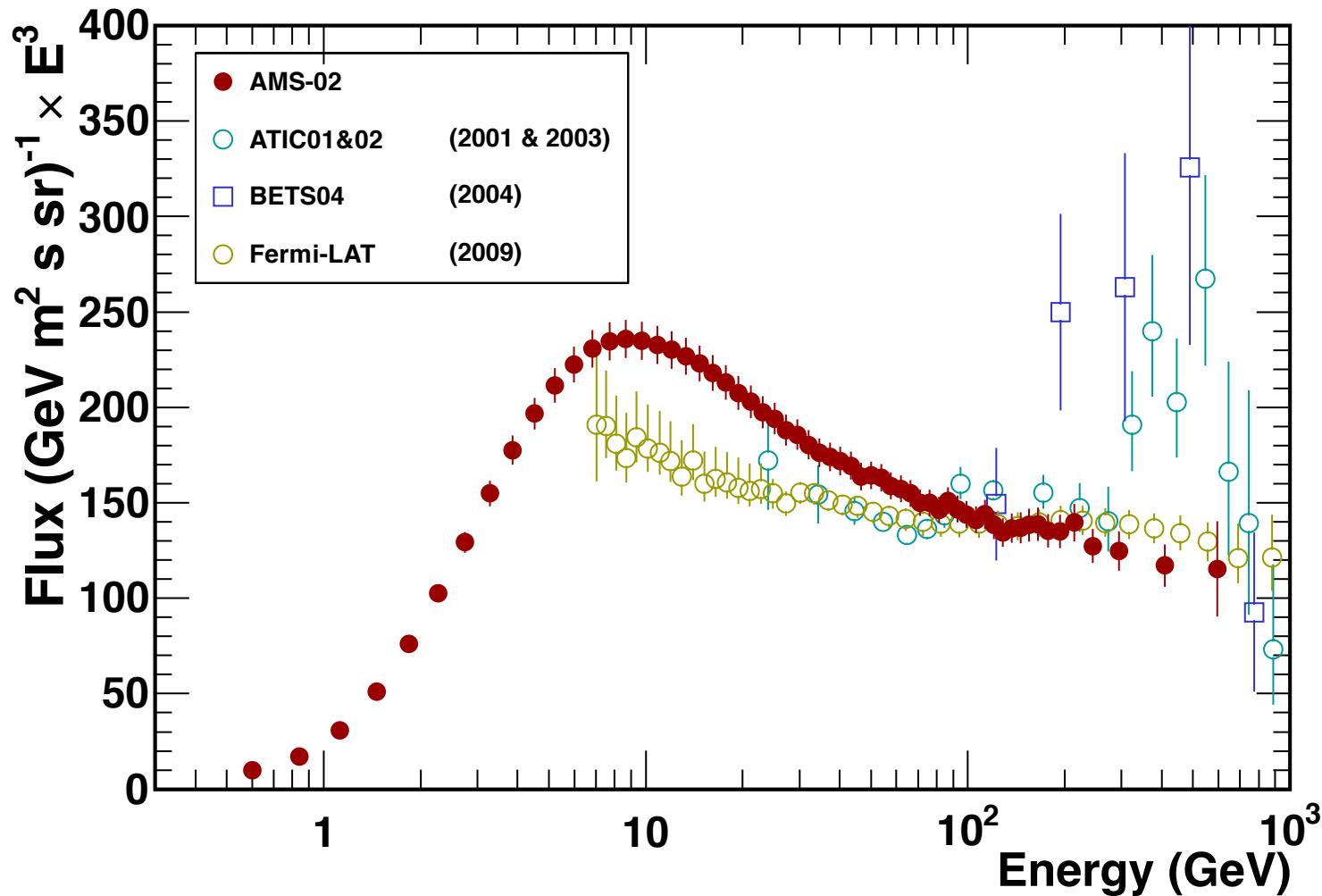


# AMS-02 Positron Flux

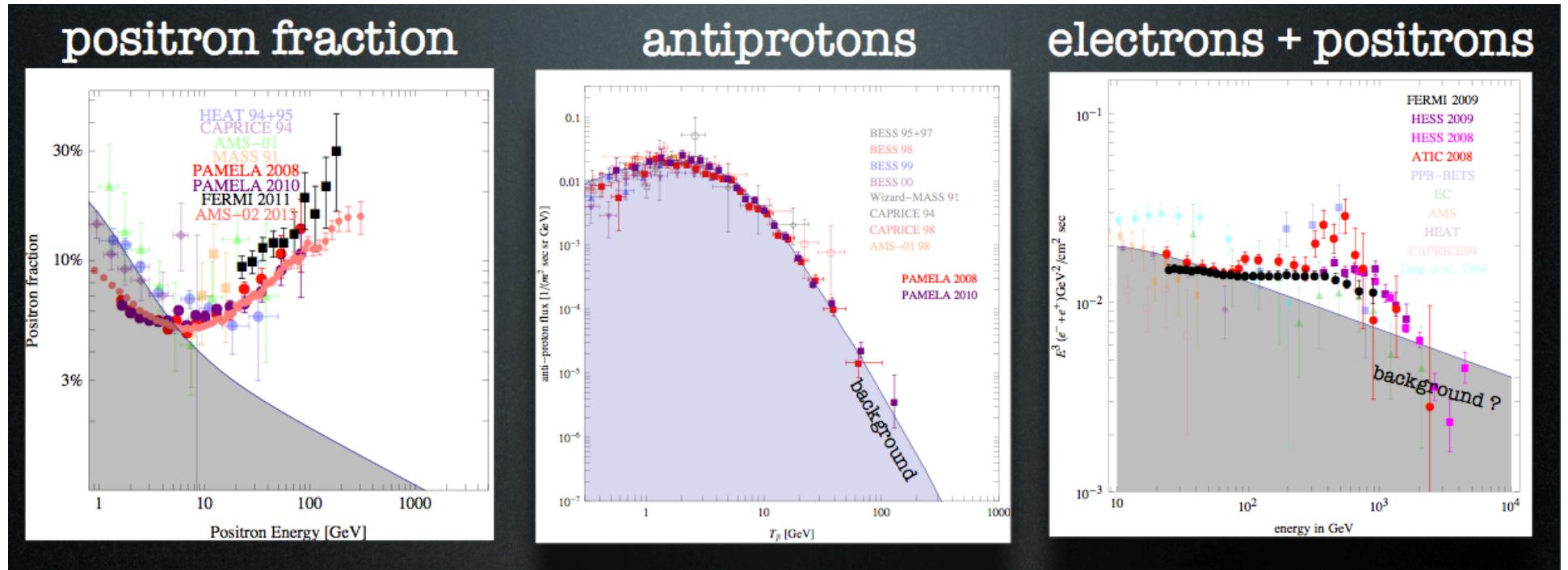
- The spectral index and its dependence on energy is clearly different from the electron spectrum.



# The all electrons flux



# Hints of Dark Matter?

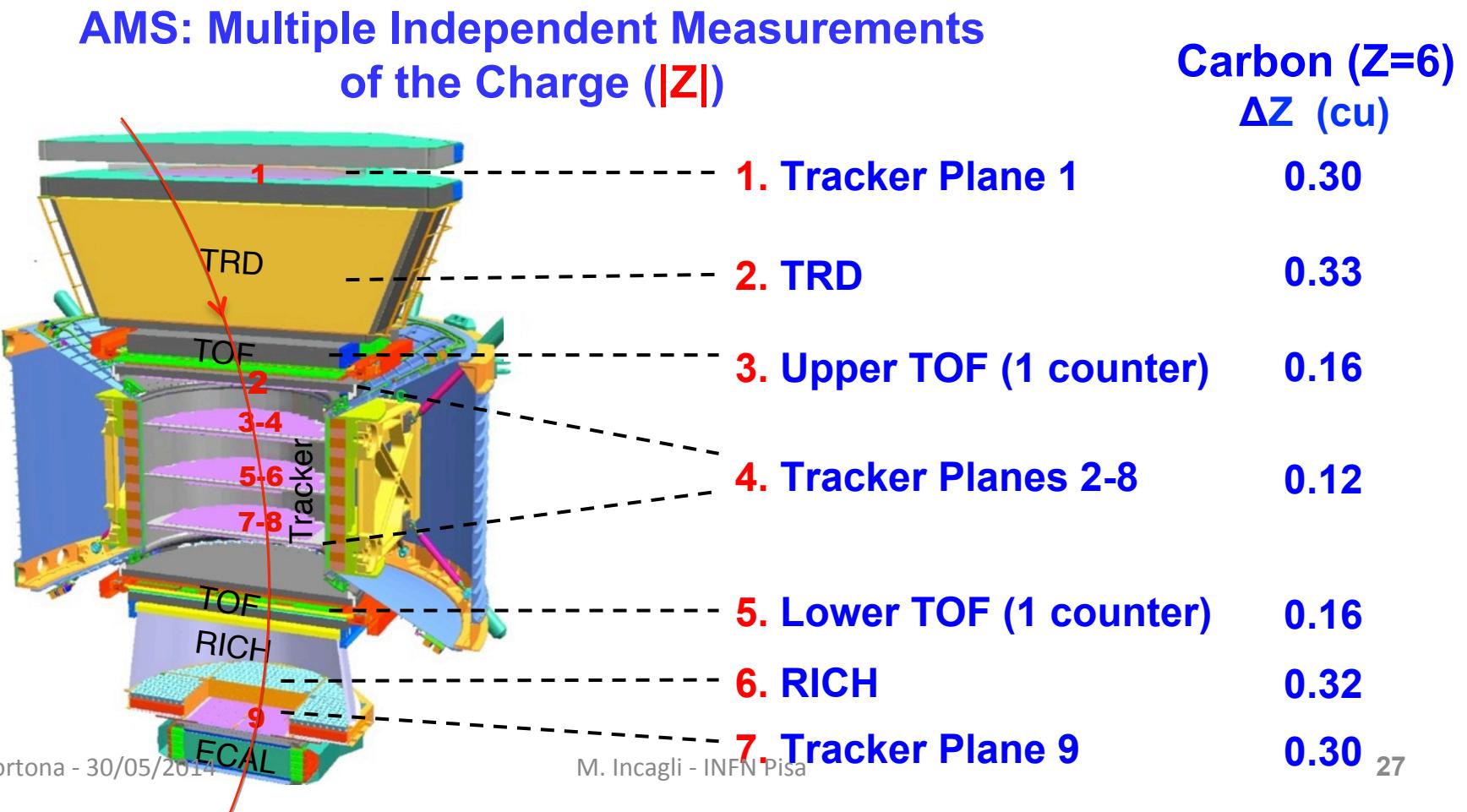


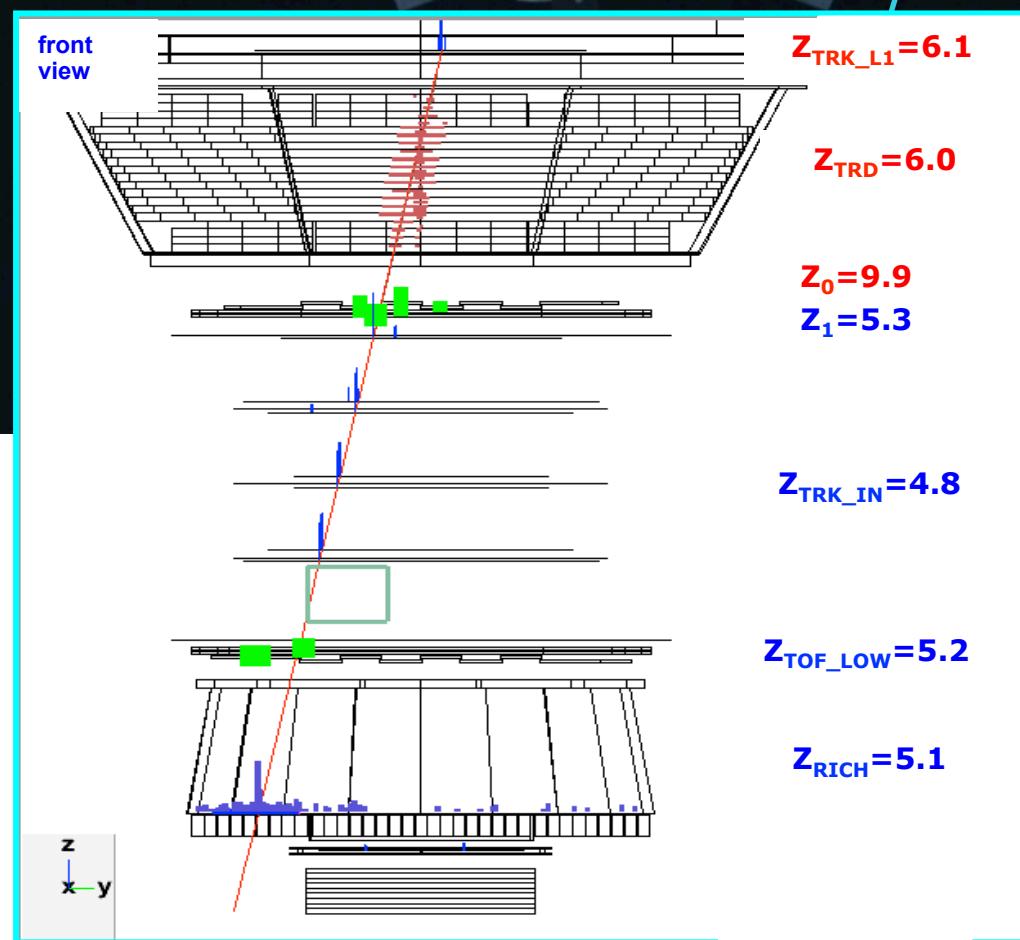
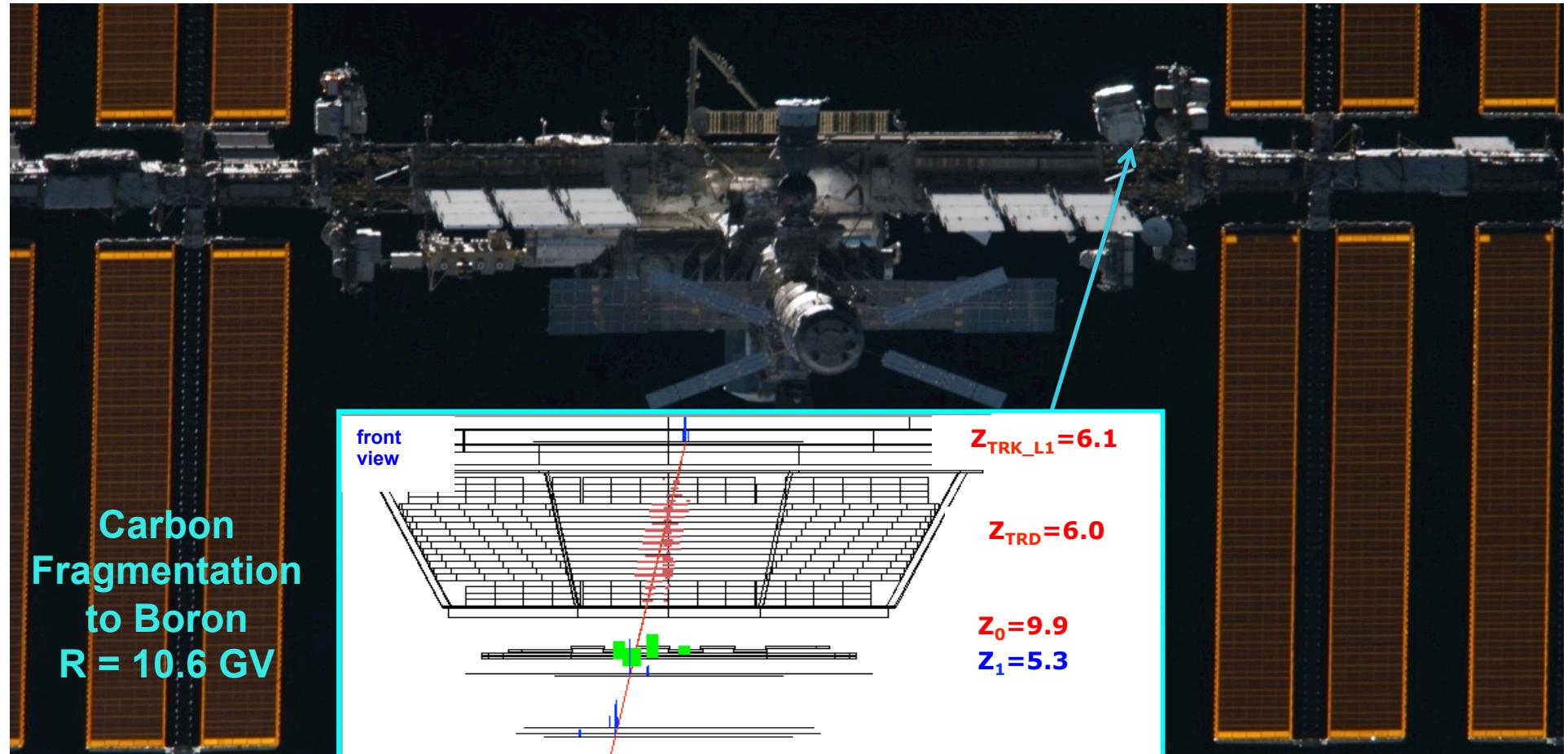
- Strong limits set by antiproton flux (PAMELA)
- Must invent *ad hoc* (not really "natural") theories
- AMS02 result on antiprotons eagerly expected
- It is important to constrain the background

# AMS redundancy

## Example 2: Boron-to-Carbon ratio

- Carbon : primary particle
- Boron : secondary particle produced in interactions of C with ISM (InterStellar Medium)

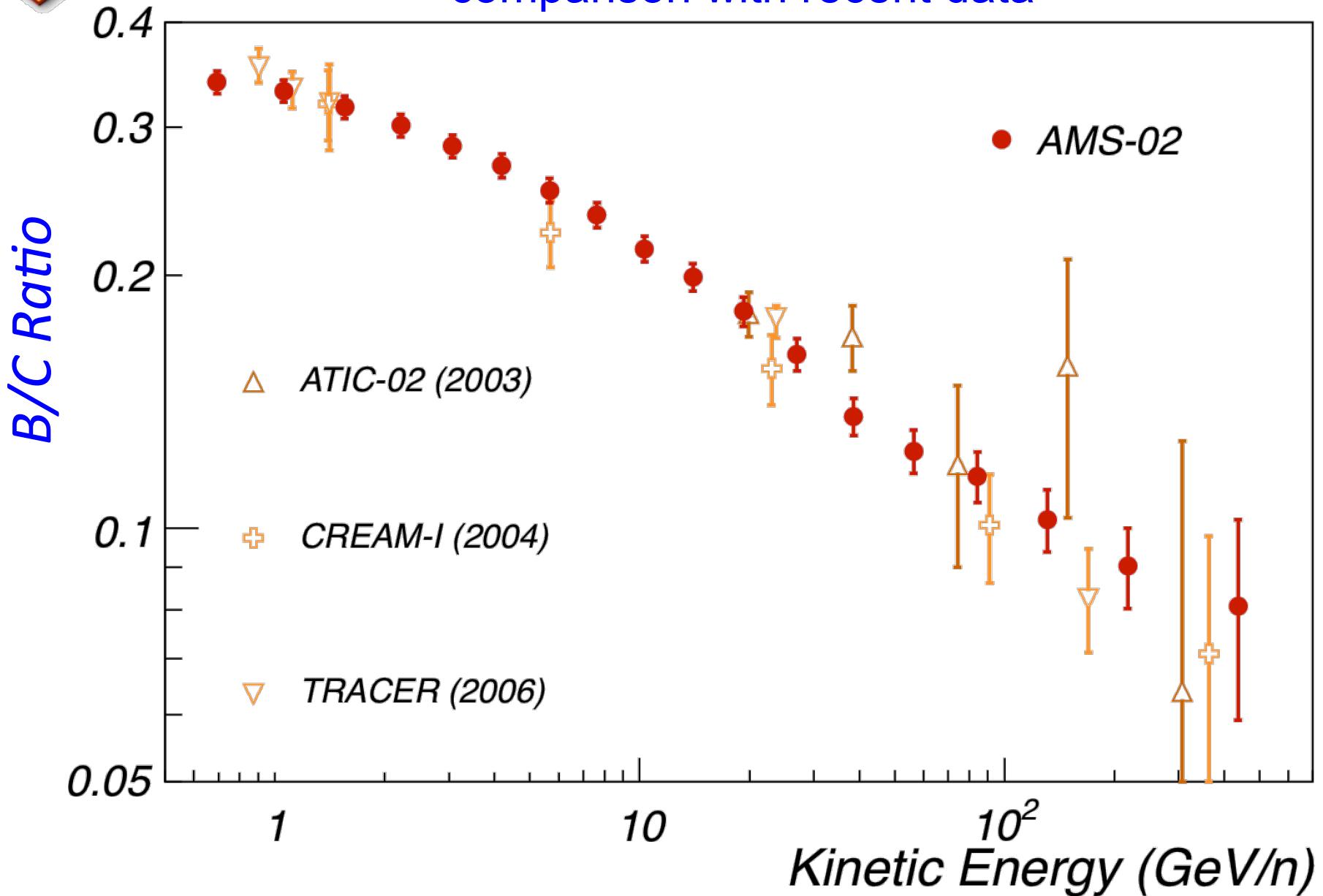






# Boron-to-Carbon ratio

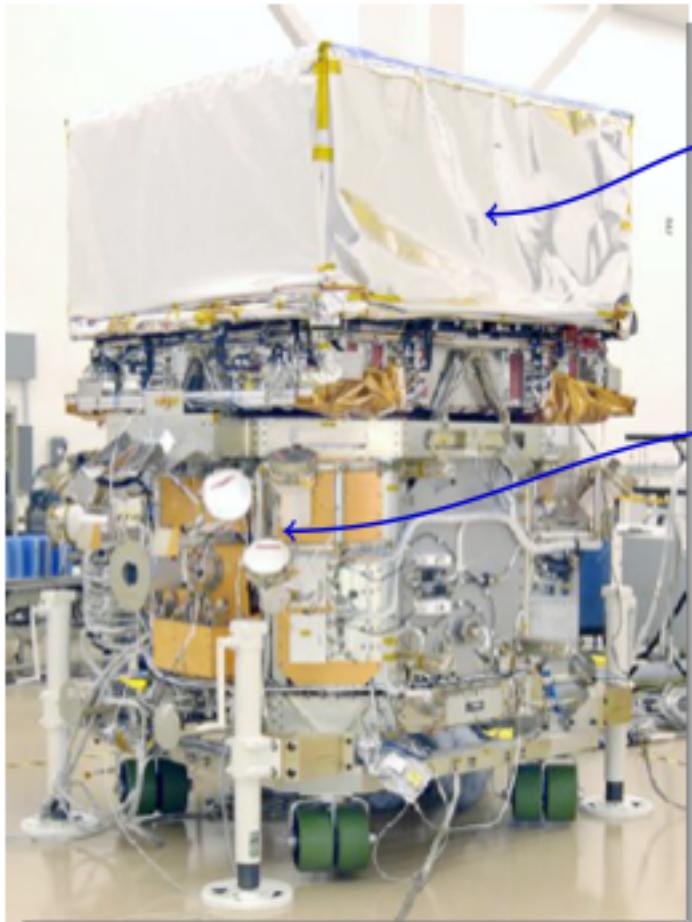
comparison with recent data



# Future prospects

- final analyses (plots available 2° week of June):
  - total electrons < 700/1000 GeV
  - electron flux < 700 GeV
  - positron flux <500GeV
- Close to completion
  - proton flux <1.8TeV
- next in line:
  - He, B/C → end of the summer
  - fluxes of B, C, O → end of summer
  - light nuclei → ?
- mostly wanted: antiprotons ... no prediction;
  - hard, have to do it carefully!

# Fermi

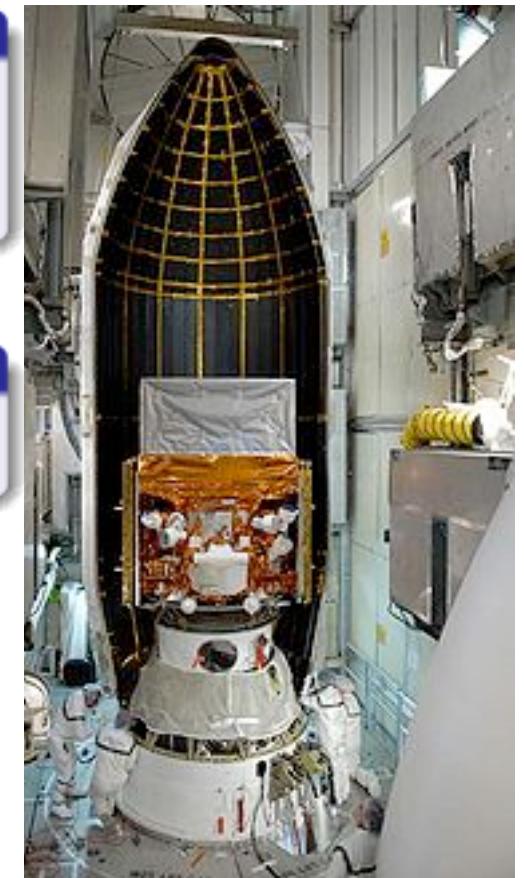
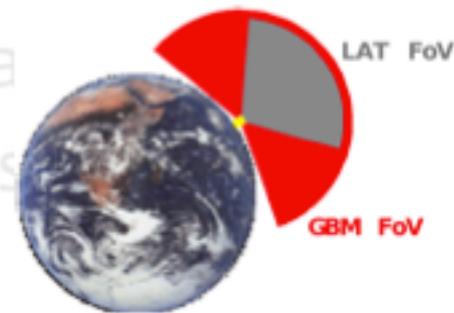


## Large Area Telescope (LAT)

- ▶ Pair conversion telescope.
- ▶ Energy range: 20 MeV–300+ GeV.
- ▶ Sees 20% of the sky at any time (the full sky for half a hour every 3 hours).

## Gamma-ray Burst Monitor (GBM)

- ▶ 12 NaI and 2 BGO detectors.
- ▶ Energy range: 8 keV–30 MeV.



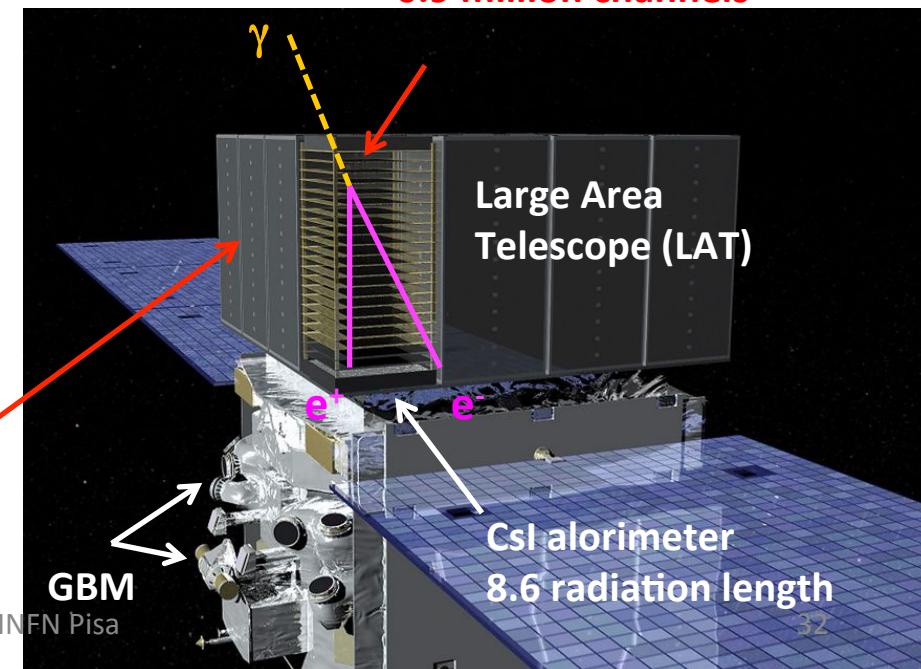
# Fermi LAT

- Pair-conversion telescope
  - good background rejection due to “clear”  $\gamma$ -ray signature
  - (also sensitive to CR electrons)
- Tracker: pair conversion, tracking
  - angular resolution is dominated by multiple scattering below  $\sim$ GeV
- Calorimeter: 8.6  $X_0$  for perpendicular incidence
  - use shower profile to compensate for the leakage

**energy band:** 20MeV to >300 GeV  
**effective area:** >8000 cm<sup>2</sup>  
**FOV:** >2.4 sr  
**angular resolution:** ~0.1 deg  
**energy resolution:** 5-10%

**Anti-coincidence Detector  
Segmented scintillator tiles**

**Si Tracker**  
**70 m<sup>2</sup>, 228  $\mu$ m pitch**  
**~0.9 million channels**



# Dark Matter (DM) Search with $\gamma$ -rays

(I will skip DM search from CR electron/positron)

- Gamma-rays may encrypt the DM signal

## Gamma Ray Flux

(measured by Fermi-LAT)

$$\frac{d\Phi_\gamma}{dE_\gamma}(E_\gamma, \phi, \theta)$$

## Particle Physics

(photons per annihilation)

$$= \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{\langle \sigma_{ann} v \rangle}{2m_{WIMP}^2} \sum_f \frac{dN_\gamma^f}{dE_\gamma} B_f$$

$\times$

$$\int_{\Delta\Omega(\phi, \theta)} d\Omega' \int_{los} \rho^2(r(l, \phi')) dl(r, \phi')$$

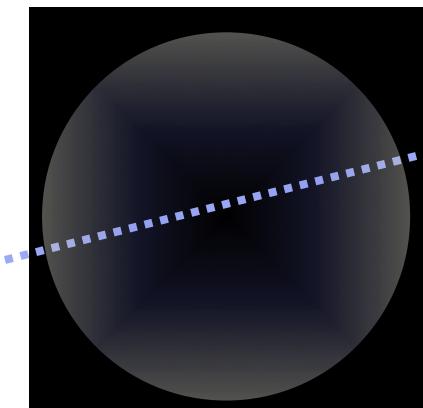
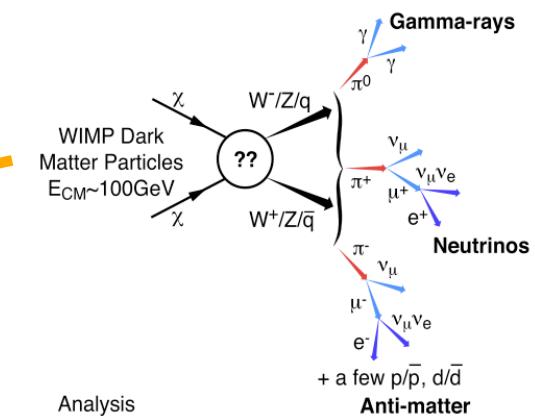
## DM Distribution

(line-of-sight integral)



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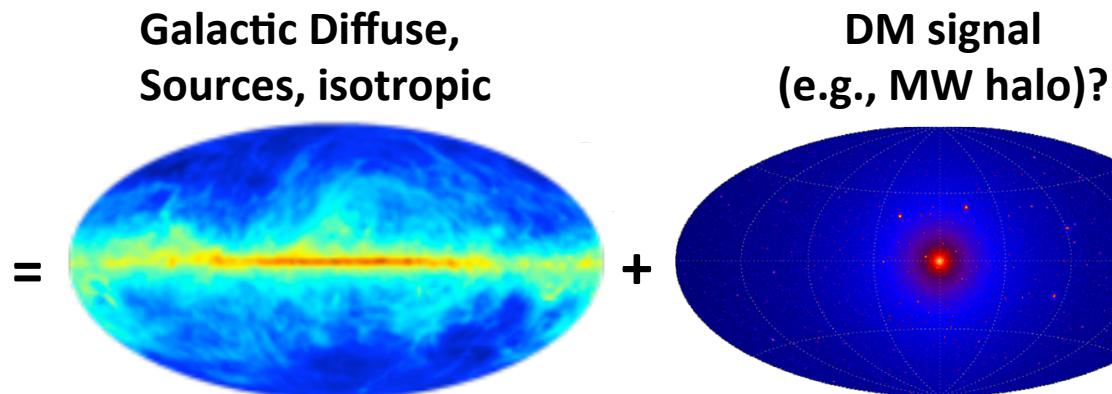
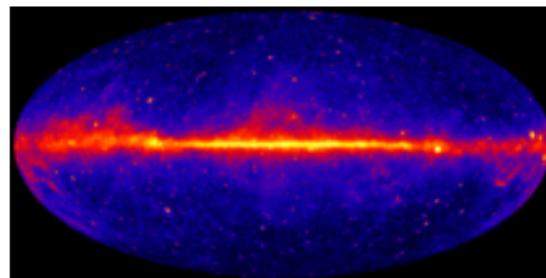


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# DM Search Strategies with $\gamma$ -rays

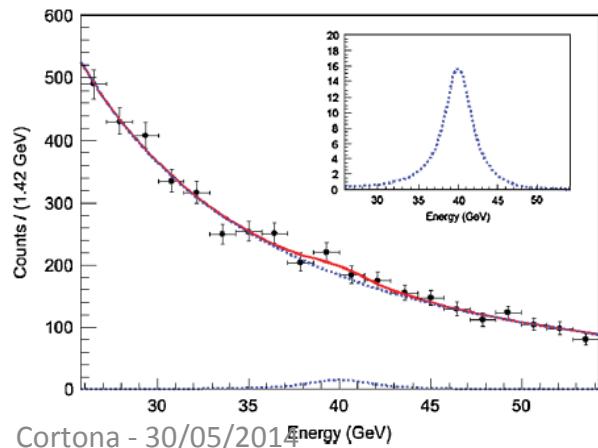
- Spatial signature

Fermi-LAT data



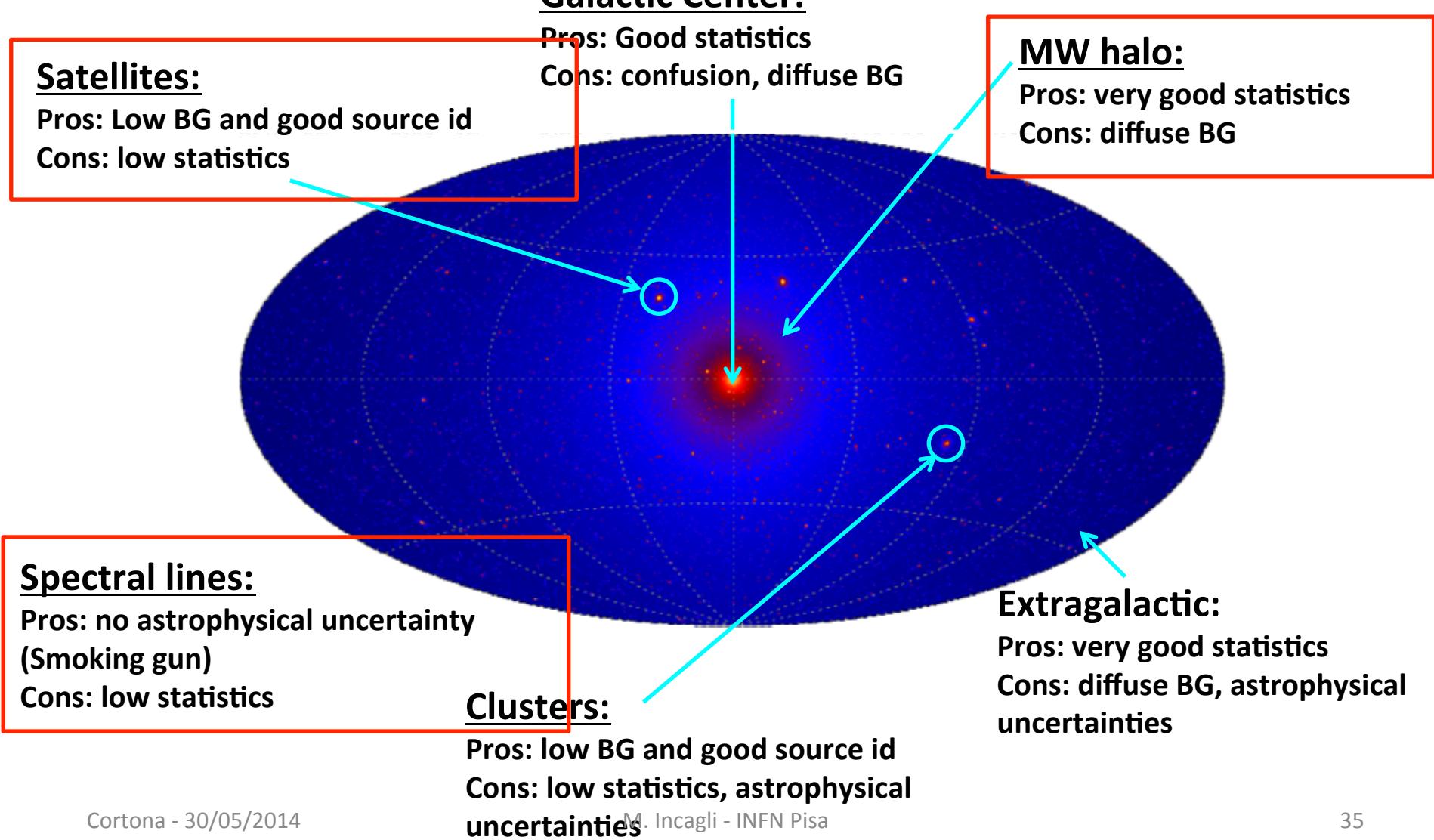
- Spectral signature

DM signal (e.g., line)?



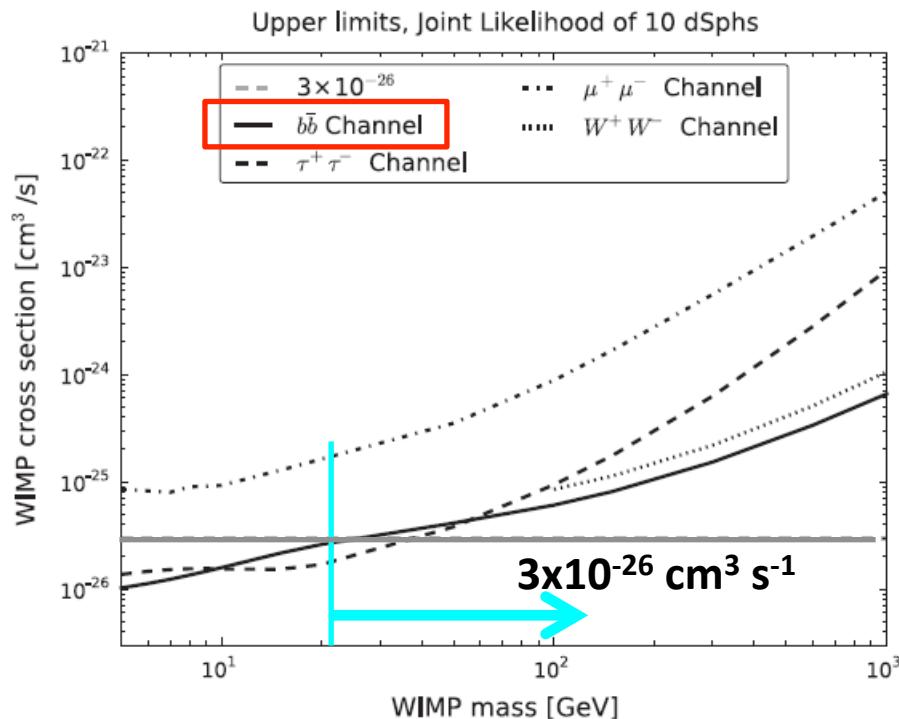
Good understanding of the Galactic diffuse emission and of the instrument is crucial

# DM Search Strategies with $\gamma$ -rays



## 1) Satellites: Dwarf galaxies

- Stacking analysis using 10 dSphs and 2 years data
  - conservative limit on DM cross section (no “boost factor”)



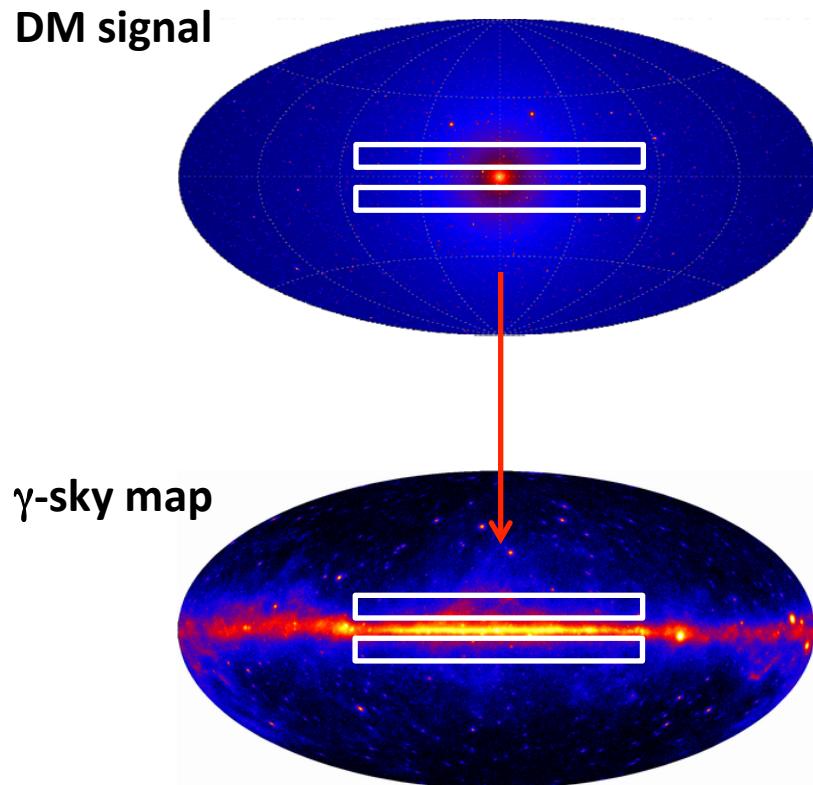
Name	$l$ (degree)	$b$ (degree)	$d$ (kpc)	$\log_{10}(J)$ $\log_{10}[\text{GeV}^2 \text{ cm}^{-5}]$	$\sigma$
Bootes I	358.08	69.62	60	17.7	0.34
Carina	260.11	-22.22	101	18.0	0.13
Coma Berenices	241.9	83.6	44	19.0	0.37
Draco	86.37	34.72	80	18.8	0.13
Fornax	237.1	-65.7	138	17.7	0.23
Sculptor	287.15	-83.16	80	18.4	0.13
Segue 1	220.48	50.42	23	19.6	0.53
Sextans	243.4	42.2	86	17.8	0.23
Ursa Major II	152.46	37.44	32	19.6	0.40
Ursa Minor	104.95	44.80	66	18.5	0.18

Ackermann+11, PRL 107, 241302

$M_{\text{WIMP}} >= 20 \text{ GeV}$  to satisfy  $\langle \sigma v \rangle = 3 \times 10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3 \text{ s}^{-1}$

## 2) Milky Way DM Halo

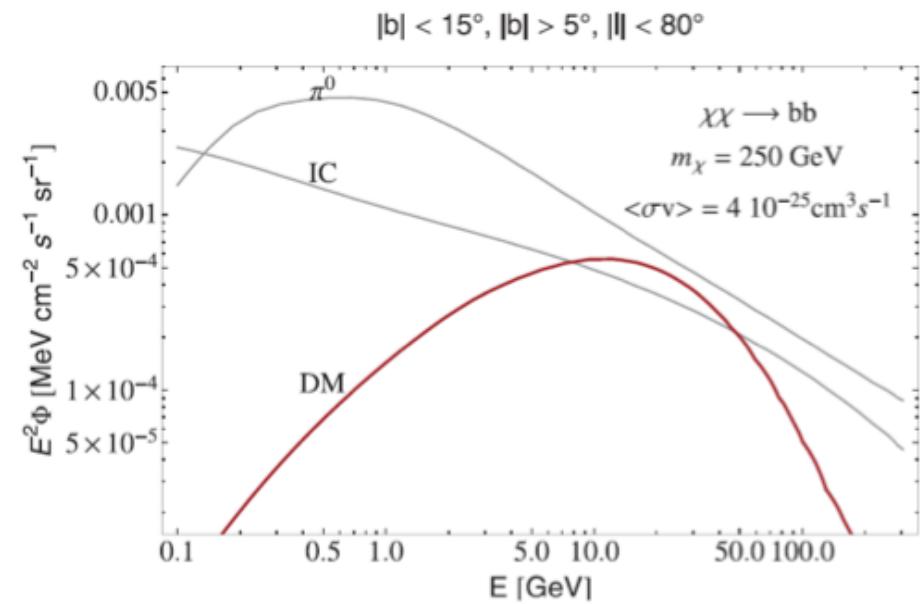
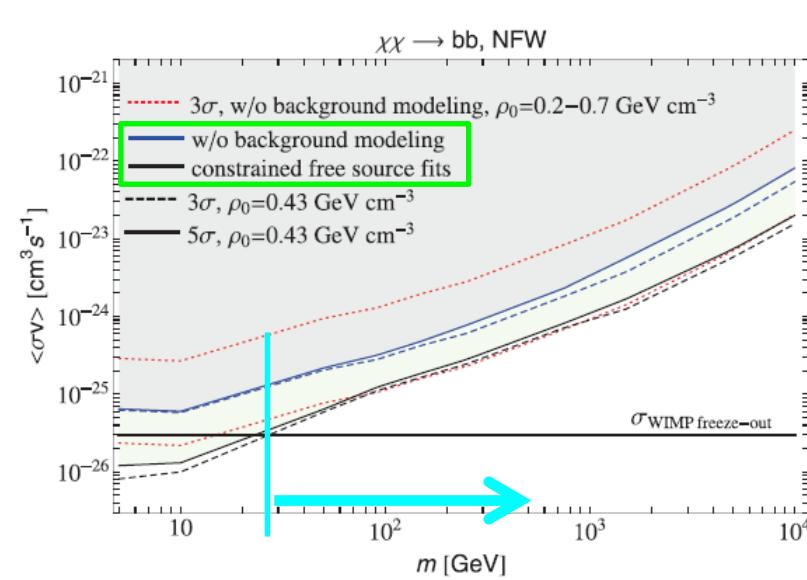
- Another recent and complementary DM search for MW halo
  - Search for continuous emission from DM annihilation/decay in the smooth MW halo



- Analyze bands 5deg off the plane
  - decrease astrophysical BG
  - mitigate uncertainty from inner slope of DM density profile
  - fit DM source and astrophysical emission simultaneously

# Constraints on DM Model

- Modeling the astrophysical emission improves DM constraints
- w/ astrophysical BG, the limit constrains the thermal relic cross section for WIMP with mass > 30 GeV (comparable to dSphs)



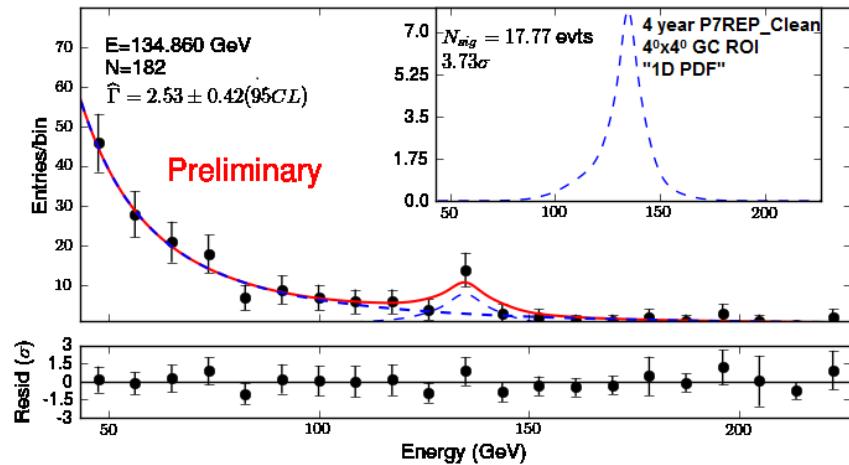
**Ackermann+12, ApJ 761, 91**

# Gamma line search

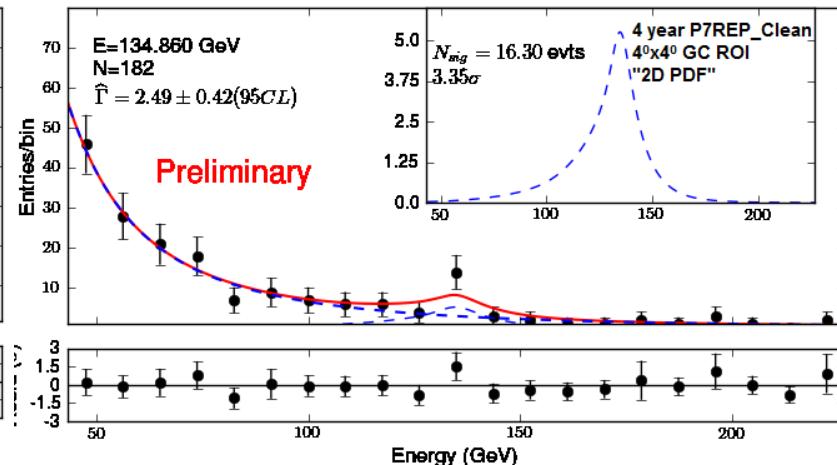
Evolution of line-like Feature near 135 GeV:

1. 1D PDF, reprocessed data (better energy calibration)
  - $3.7\sigma$  (local) at 135 GeV
2. 2D PDF, reprocessed data
  - $3.4\sigma$  (local) at 135 GeV (Energy dispersion in data is narrower than expected when  $P_E$  is taken into account)
  - $<2\sigma$  global

1.

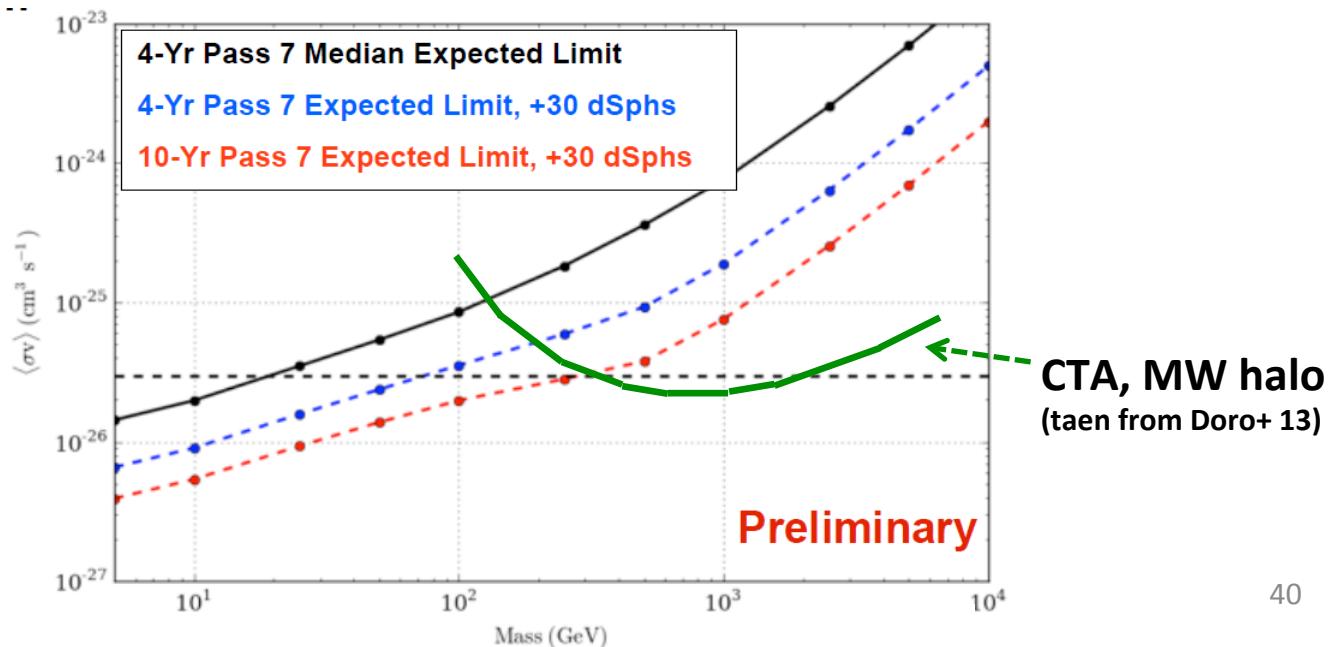


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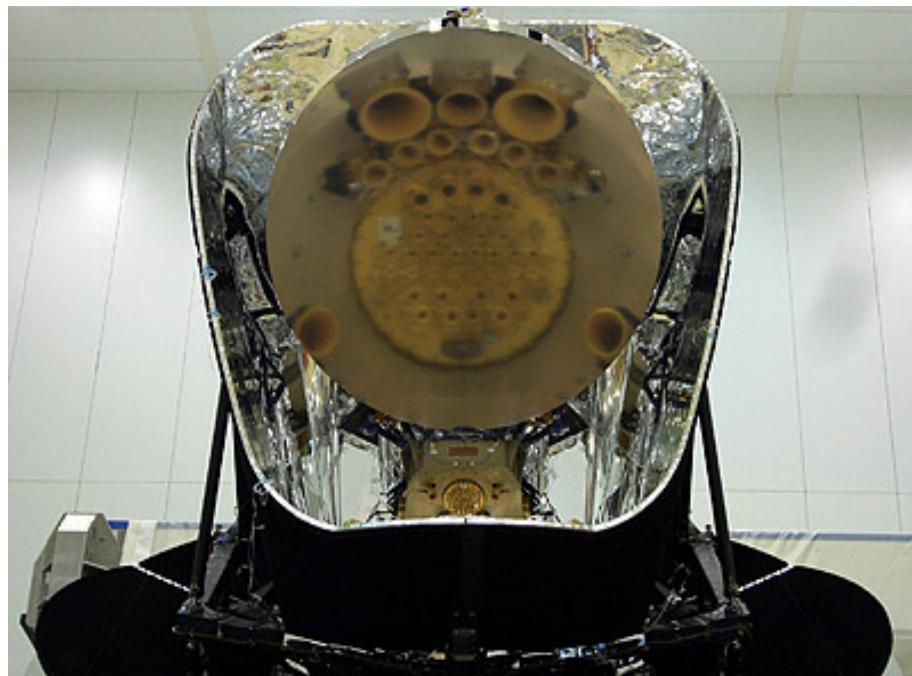
# Fermi Future Prospects in DM search

- Dwarfs will remain a prime target (halo analysis: close match)
  - increased observation time
  - discovery of new dwarfs
  - sensitive to higher energies
- Next generation Cherenkov Telescope (e.g., CTA) will extend the limit to higher WIMP masses
- Extend significance of line search

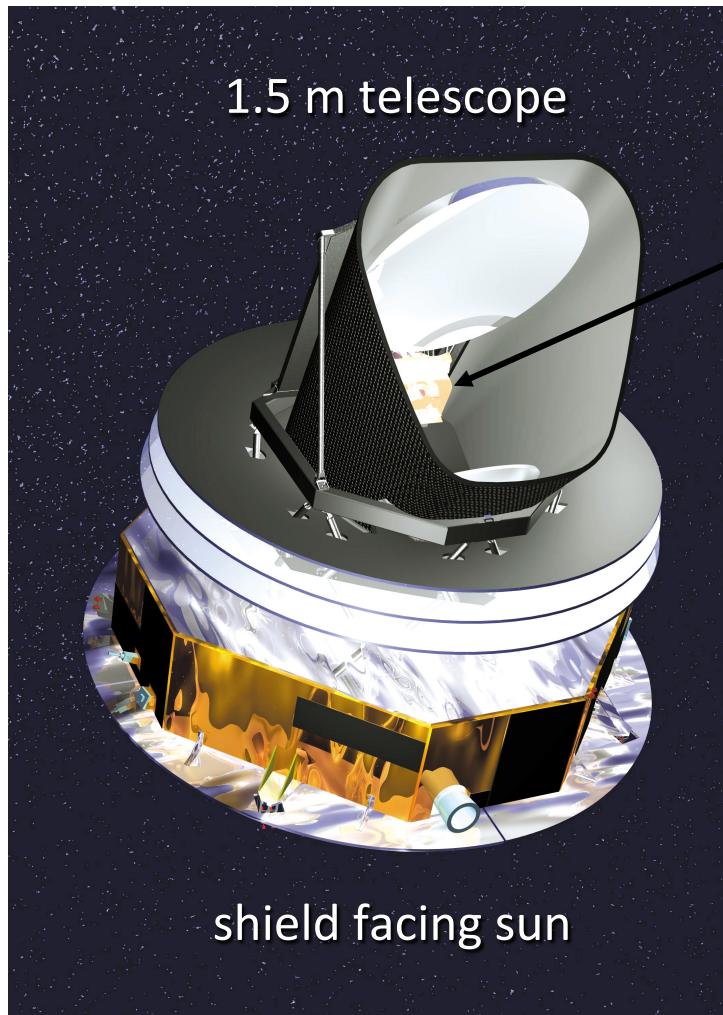


# The Planck experiment

## launch 14 May 2009



# The Planck satellite



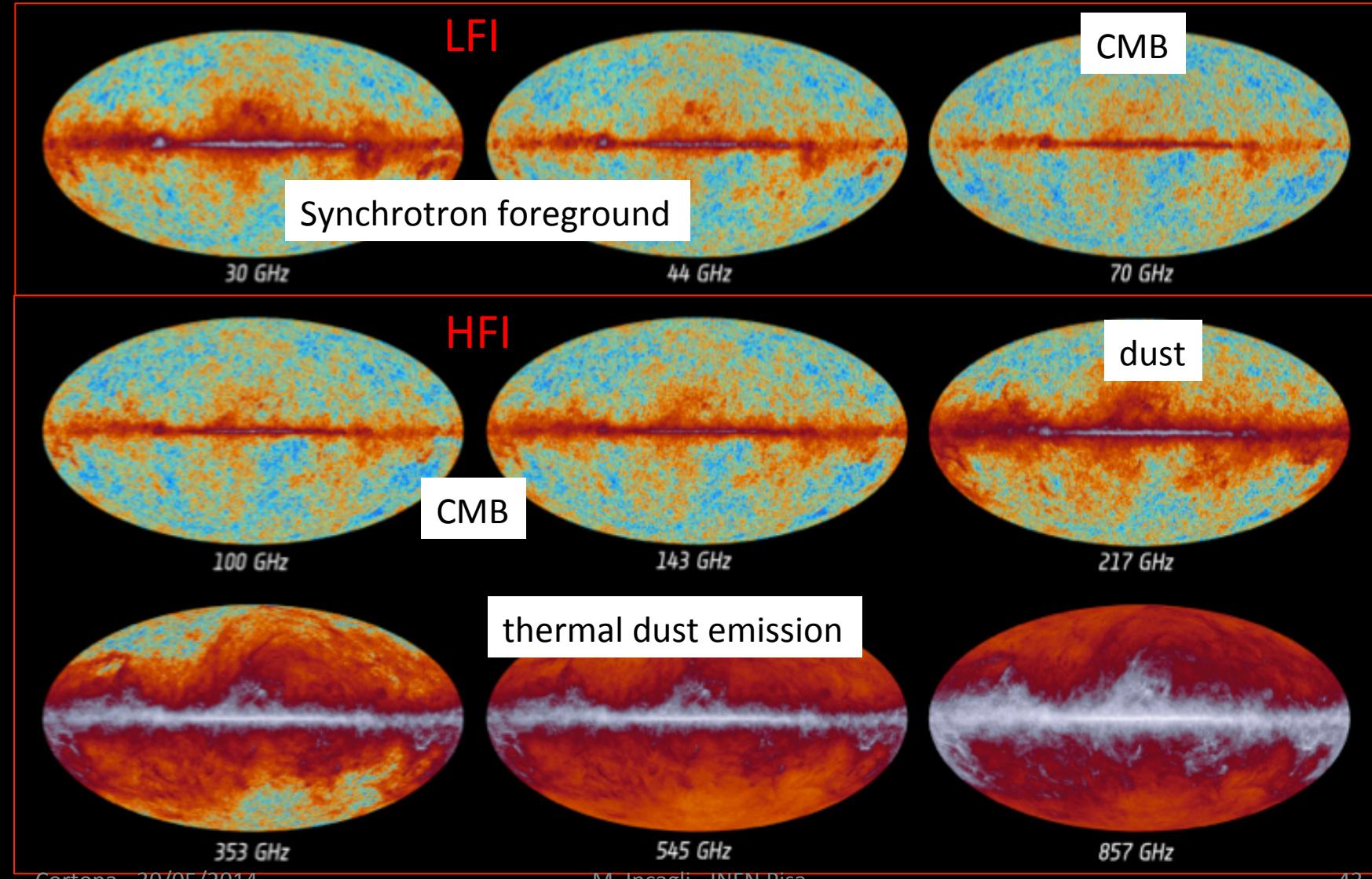
2 instruments:

- LFI (led by Italy)
  - HEMTs (transistors)
  - cooled at 4K
  - sensitive to 30-100 GHz
  
- HFI (led by France/UK)
  - bolometer array
  - cooled at 0.1K
  - sensitive to 100-857 GHz



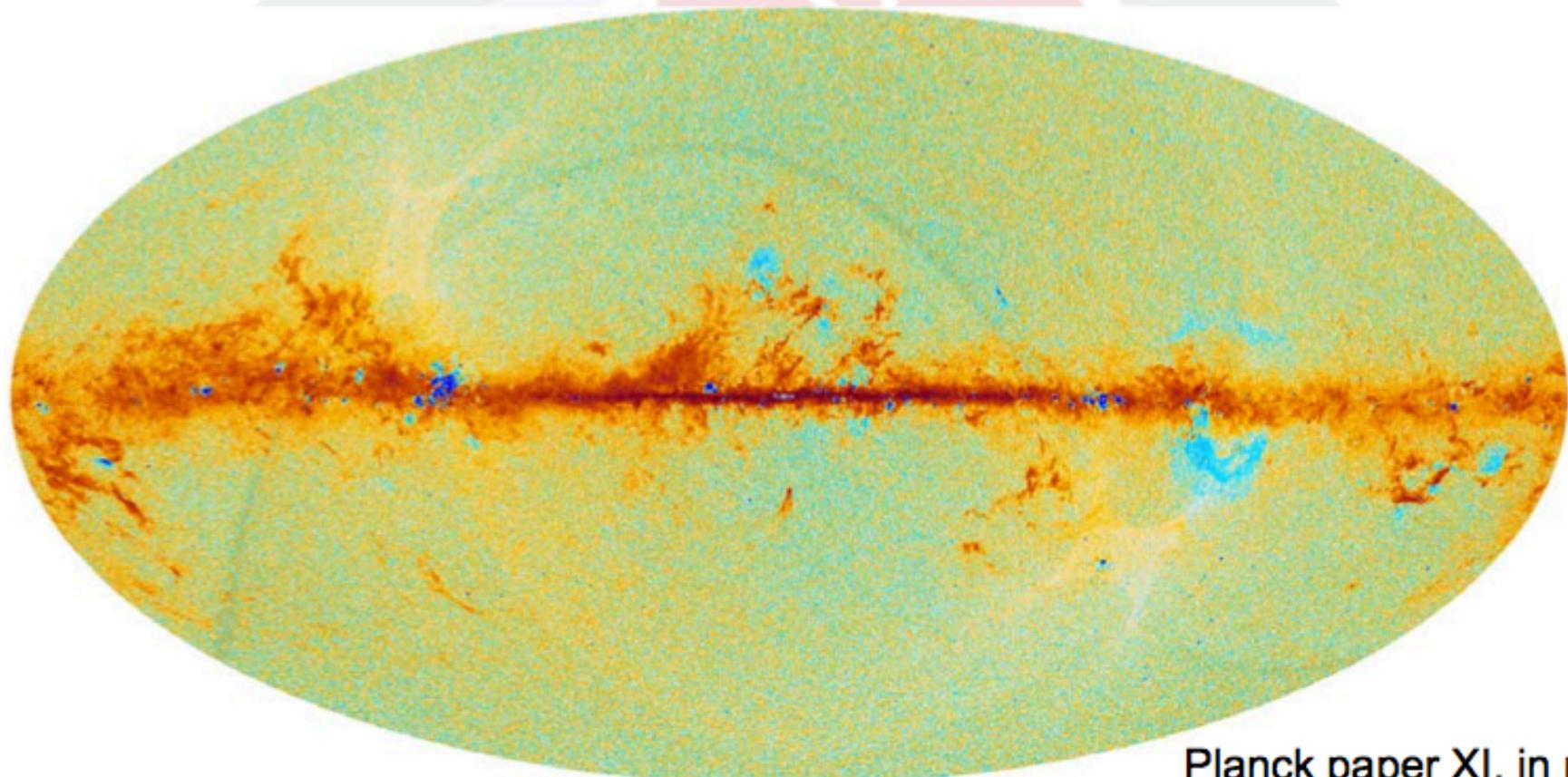
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# The sky as seen by Planck

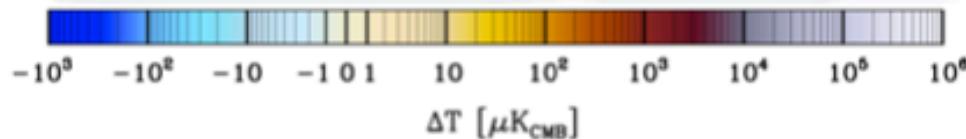


# Consistency: HFI 100 GHz – LFI 70 GHz

Red is mostly CO, Blue is mostly free-free. CMB is gone!



Planck paper XI, in prep.



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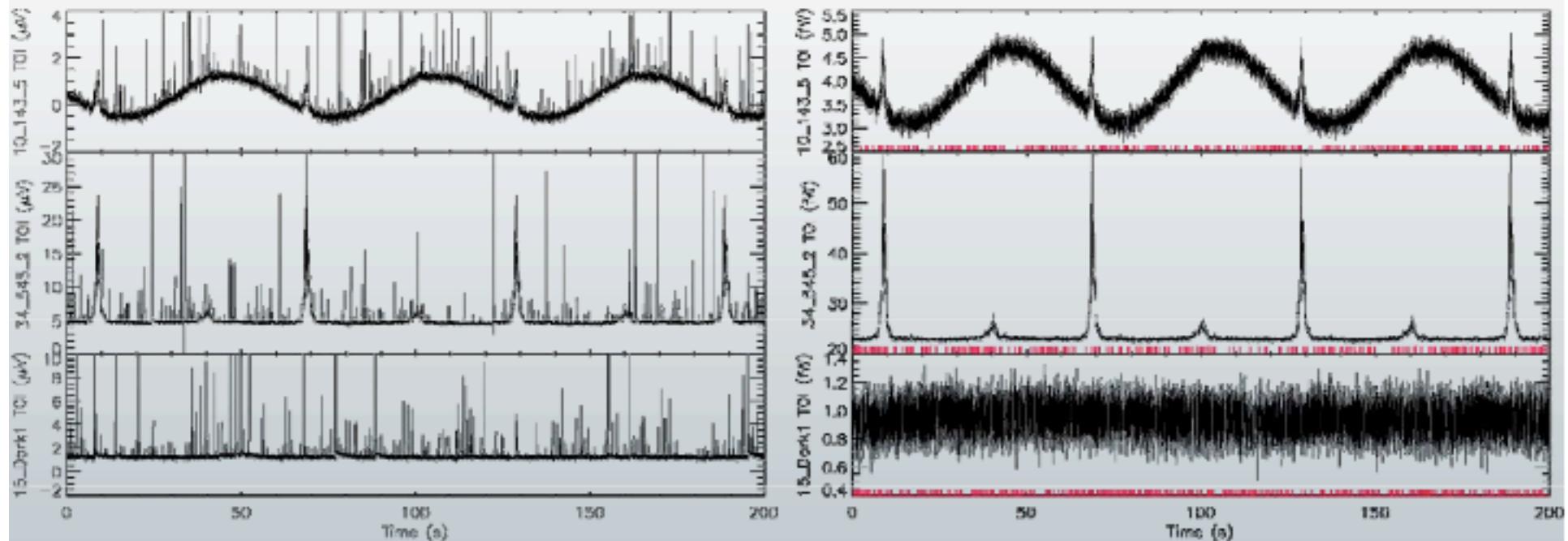
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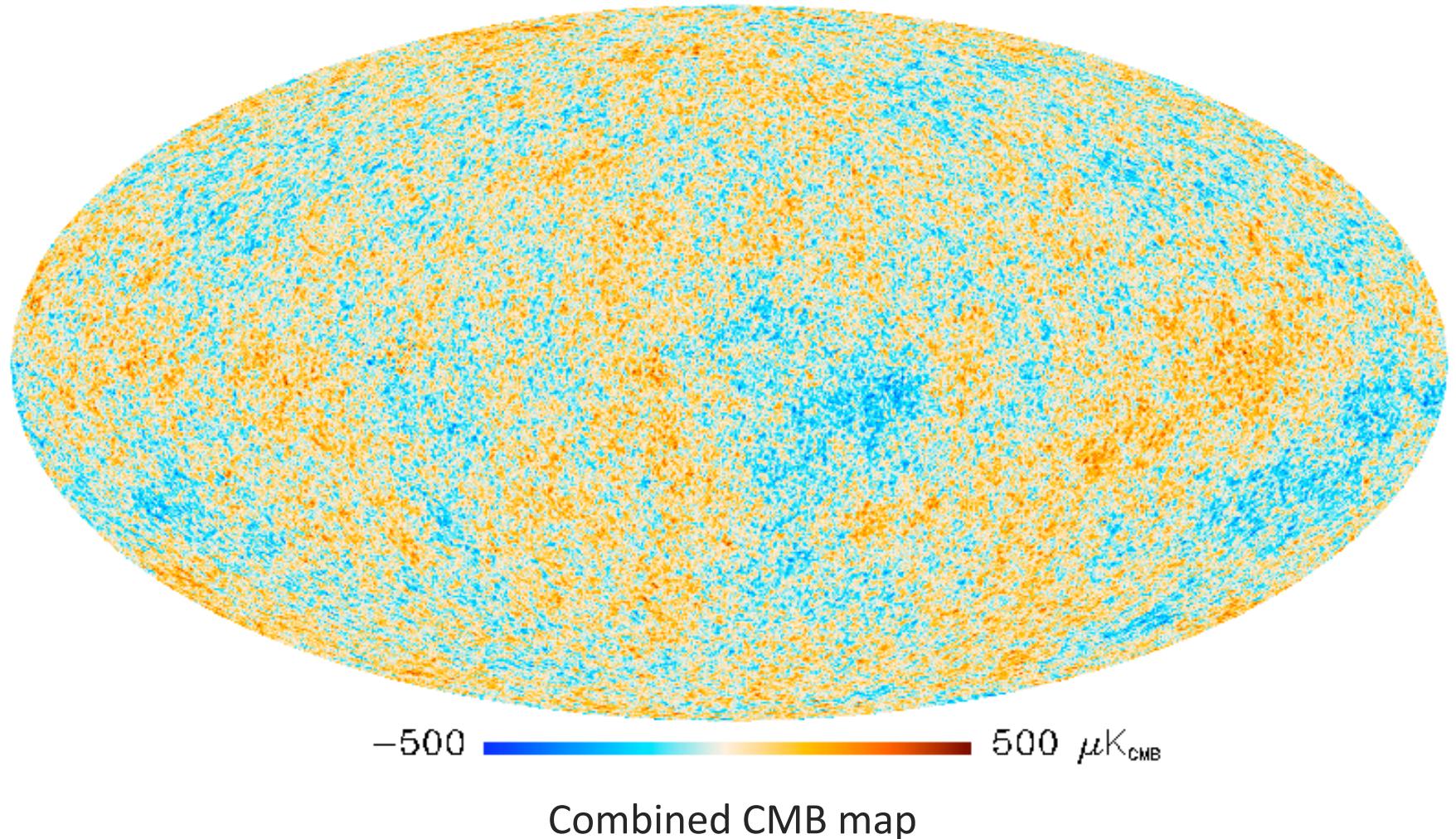
## following the time ordered data (TOI) processing



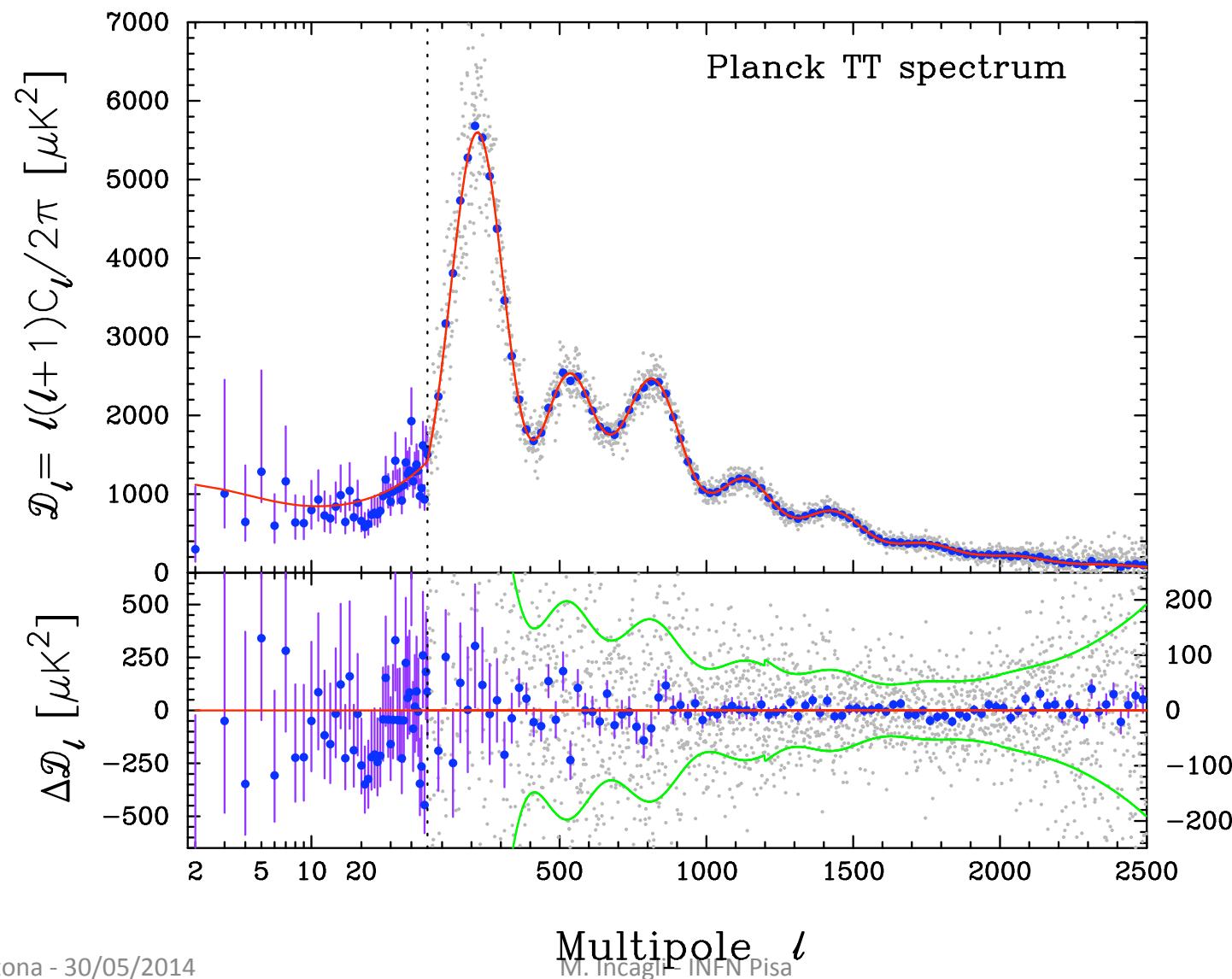
3 minutes of quasi 'raw' data (i.e. only demodulated). The Solar (cosmological) dipole is clearly visible at 145GHz with a 60 seconds period (the satellite rotates at 1 rpm), while the Galactic plane crossings (2 per rotation) are more visible at 545 GHz than at 143 GHz. The Dark bolometer sees no sky signal, but displays a similar population of glitches from cosmic rays.



# The CMB map



# $\Lambda$ CDM is a very good fit (→ Kunz presentation)



# Conclusions

- Cosmic rays (CR) spans many orders of magnitude and flux → very different experimental techniques are required
- Space experiments are able to see "primary" cosmic rays → BUT limited geometrical acceptance
- The CR flux decreases very rapidly with energy → hard to reach energies above few TeV (electrons) or few hundred TeV (protons)
- The TeV energy range is particularly interesting for DM search (WIMP thermal cross section) → interest partially decreased after antiproton and gamma results