

Galactic cosmic rays:
The need for cross section data

An experiment proposal: p-He scattering

Workshop on
**The p-He cross section measurement:
a physics case from cosmic rays**
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TORINO!!



Thanks to all of you for coming!

Thanks to INFN

This workshop is the evolution of a seed idea launched at the INFN "What Next" general meeting, Rome, May 2014...

... followed by discussions with many of you, meetings, seminars at various Commissioni Scientifiche Nazionali (CSN3, CSN1, CSN4*, CSN2*), informal meetings, seminars, NPQCD...

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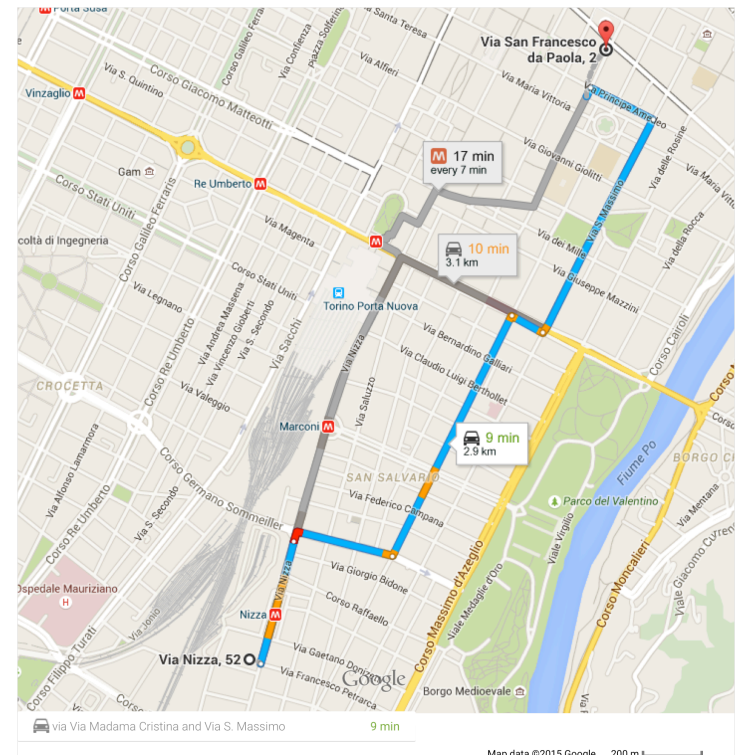
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Practical details

- Coffee breaks are served in the courtyard
 - Lunch is offered by INFN in the courtyard
 - Dinner at 20.30: **"La via del Sale"**
Via San Francesco da Paola, 2
- If you want to come, sign in.

Via Nizza, 52, 10126 Torino to Via San Francesco da Paola, 2 - Google Maps

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This is a workshop:
let's try to understand together

In the following, only a few and
incomplete guidelines to the

$p\text{-He} \rightarrow p^-, e^+, \gamma, d^-$

cross section physics case

GALACTIC COSMIC RAYS

are charged particles (nuclei, isotopes, leptons, antiparticles)
diffusing in the galactic magnetic field (+Gamma-rays)
observed at Earth with $E \sim 10 \text{ MeV/n} - 10^3 \text{ TeV/n}$

1. SOURCES

PRIMARIES: directly produced in their sources

SECONDARIES: produced by spallation reactions of primaries on the interstellar medium (ISM)

2. ACCELERATION

SNR are considered the powerhouses for CRs.

They can accelerate particles at least up to 10^2 TeV

3. PROPAGATION

CRs are diffused in the Galaxy by the inhomogeneities of the galactic magnetic field.

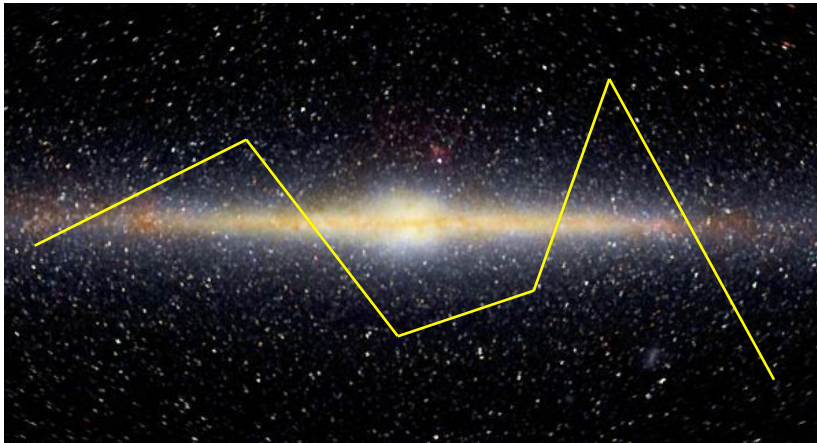
+ lose/gain energy with different mechanisms

CRs production and propagation history

Charged nuclei - isotopes - antinuclei - leptons

1. Synthesis and acceleration

- * Are SNR the accelerators?
- * How are SNR distributed?
- * What is the abundance at sources?
- * Are there exotic sources out of the disc?



4. Solar Modulation

- * Force field approximation?
- * Charge-dependent models?

2. Transport in the Milky Way

- * Diffusion by galactic B inhom.

- * electromagnetic losses
 - ionization on neutral ISM
 - Coulomb on ionized plasma

- * Convection

- * Reacceleration

3. Nuclear interactions CRs&ISM:

- * Production of secondary nuclei
- * Destruction of nuclei on the ISM

Cosmic antiprotons

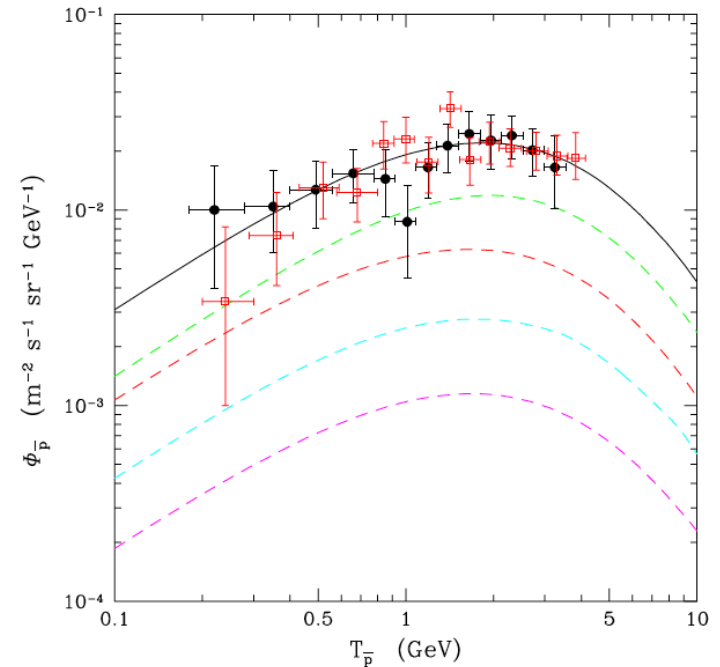
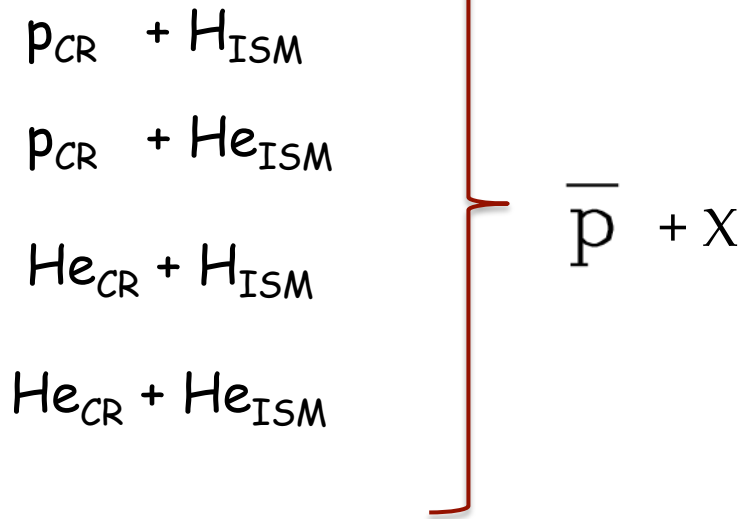
Antiprotons are produced in the Galaxy by inelastic scattering of cosmic proton and He ($p/He \sim 5$) (and marginally heavier nuclei) off the ISM (90% H and 10% He): **secondary antiprotons**.

These antiprotons would be the background to an exotic component due to **dark matter annihilation** in the galactic halo (**primary antiprotons**).

N. B. Thousands of cosmic antiprotons have already been detected by balloon-borne (Bess, Caprice,...) or satellite experiments (Pamela), and AMS-01, and 290000 (out of 54 billion events) from AMS-02 on the ISS

Secondary antiprotons in cosmic rays (CR)

Produced by spallation reactions on the interstellar medium (ISM)

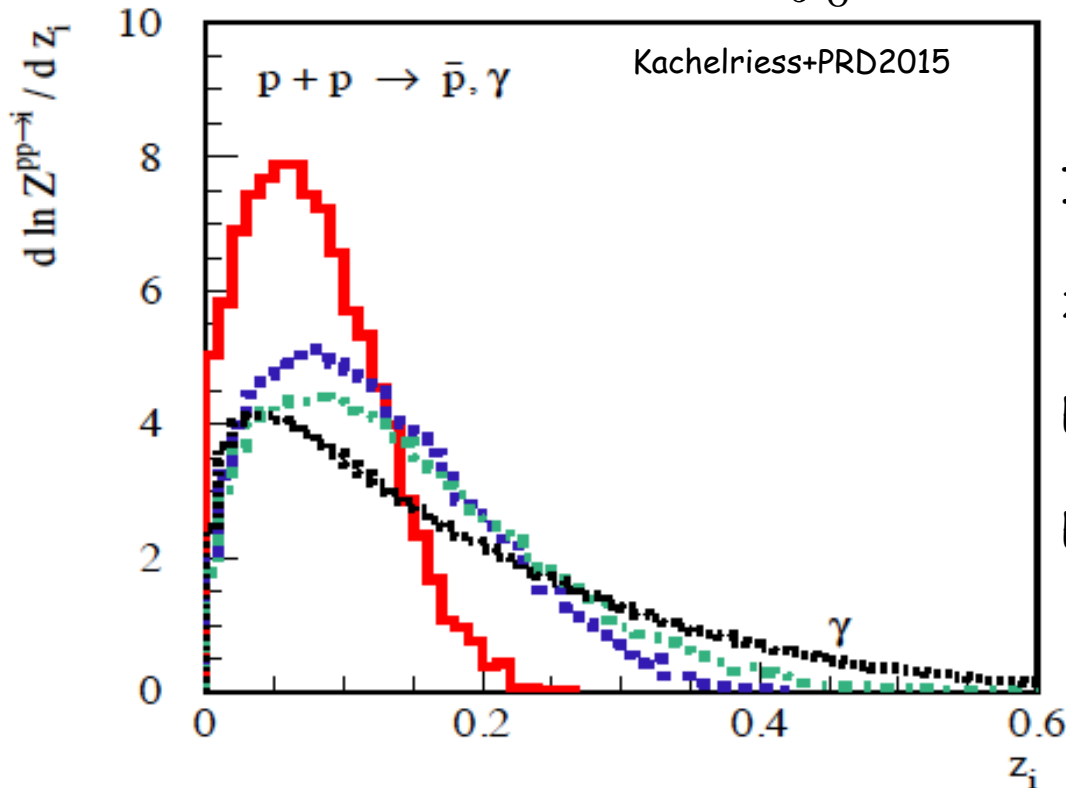


The only measured cross section is $p\text{-}p \rightarrow \bar{p} + X$

**ALL CROSS SECTIONS
INVOLVING He (projectile or target)
ARE DERIVED FROM DATA on other nuclei,
and for limited energies**

Protons \rightarrow antiprotons

$$Z_{\bar{p}}^{ij}(E_{\bar{p}}, \alpha) = \int_0^1 dz z^{\alpha-1} \frac{d\sigma^{ij \rightarrow \bar{p}}(E_{\bar{p}}/z, z)}{dz}$$



$$I_i(E) = K_i E^{-\alpha_i}$$

$I(E)$ is the incoming CR spectrum

$$z = E_{\text{pbar}}/E_p$$

$$E_{\text{pbar}} = 1, 3, 10 \text{ GeV}$$

$$E_\gamma = 10 \text{ GeV}$$

The bulk of antiprotons is produced by protons with kinetic energy 10-30 times greater
Gamma rays are more spread on proton energies

Partial contributions from CR nuclei

Kachelriß+2015

$$\epsilon_{ij}^{\bar{p}}(E_{\bar{p}}) = \frac{q_{\bar{p}}^{ij}(E_{\bar{p}})}{q_{\bar{p}}^{pp}(E_{\bar{p}})}$$

$$q_{\bar{p}}^{ij}(E_{\bar{p}}) = n_j \int_{E_{\text{thr}}(E_{\bar{p}})}^{\infty} dE \frac{d\sigma^{ij \rightarrow \bar{p}}(E, E_{\bar{p}})}{dE_{\bar{p}}} I_i(E)$$

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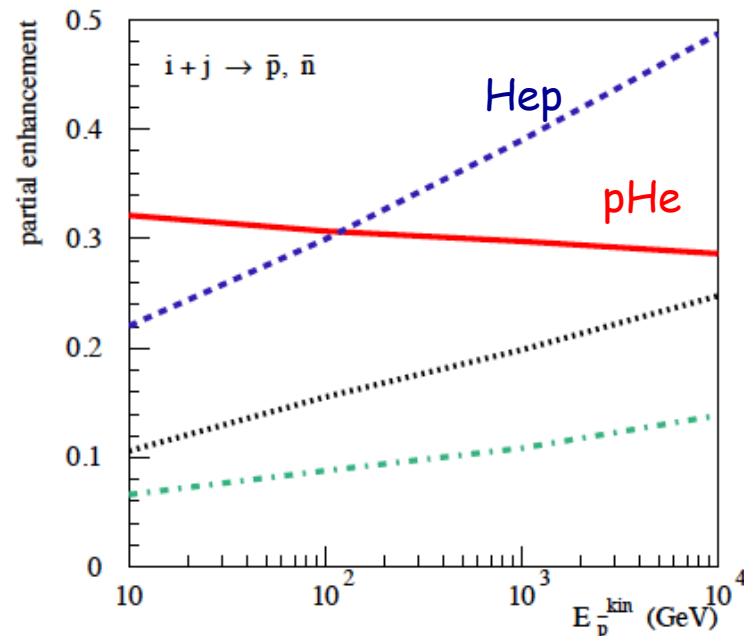
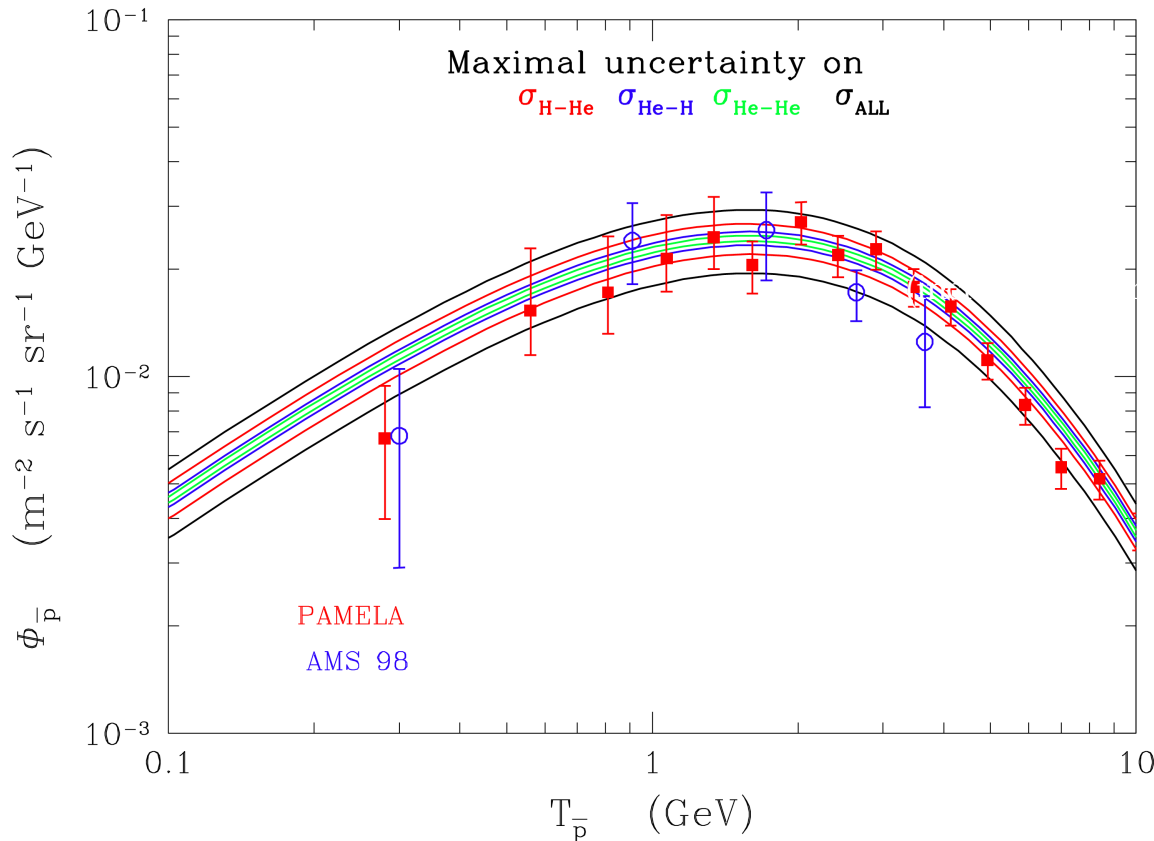


FIG. 8.— Energy dependence of partial contributions $\epsilon_{ij}^{\bar{p}}(E_{\bar{p}})$ to the nuclear enhancement factor from different interaction channels: $p\text{He}$ (solid, red), $\text{He}p$ (dashed, blue), HeHe (dot-dashed, green), and all others (dotted, black); the CR composition given in Table 2 is used.

Uncertainties on the antiproton flux from nuclear cross sections

(Model from Donato et al. ApJ 2001, PRL 2009)



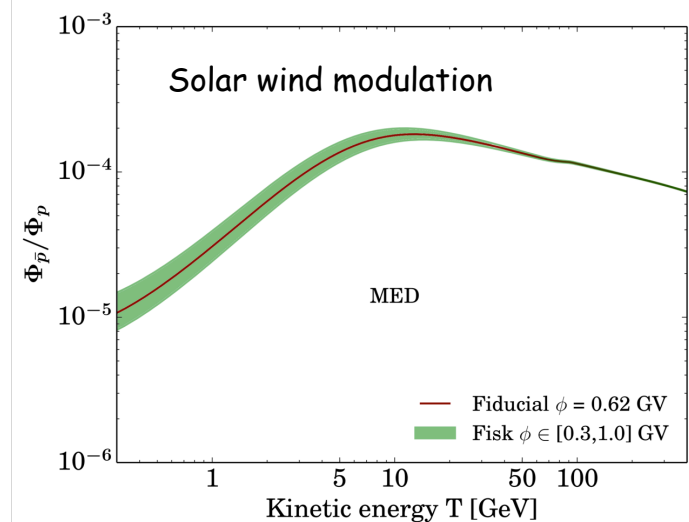
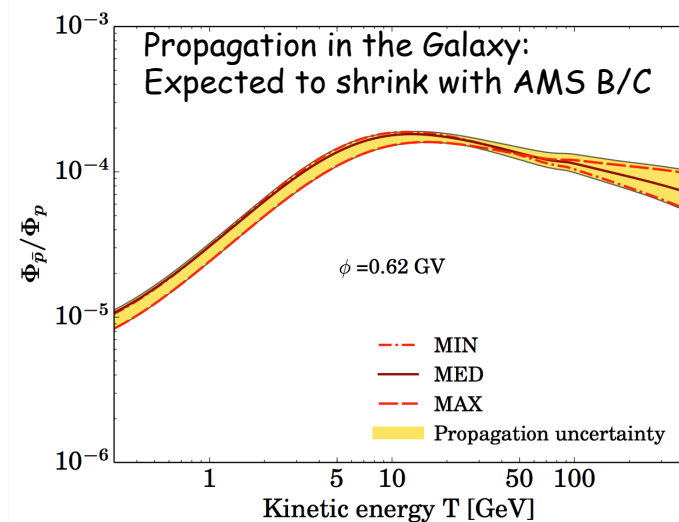
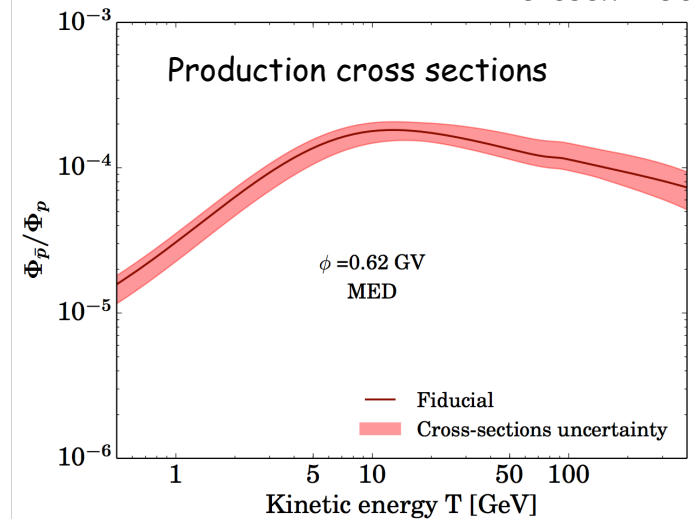
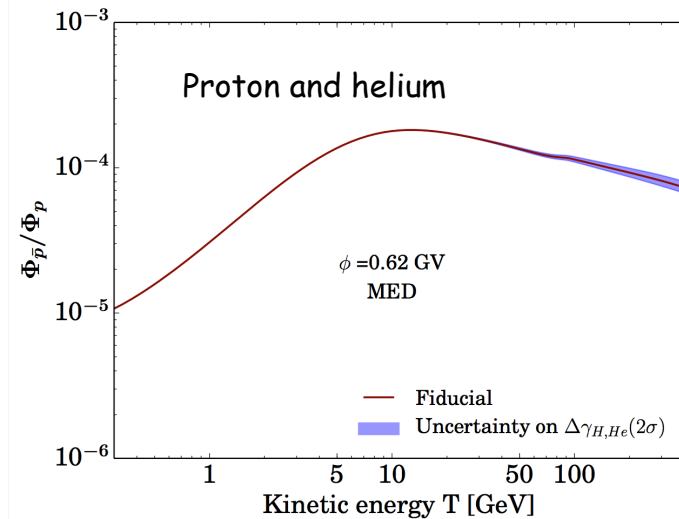
- pp: Tan & Ng
- H-He, He-H, He-He: DTUNUC MC
- Functional form for the cross section derived from other reactions

Maximal uncertainty from p-He cross sections: 20-25%!

Data from AMS-02 on cosmic antiprotons at $< \sim 10\%$ accuracy

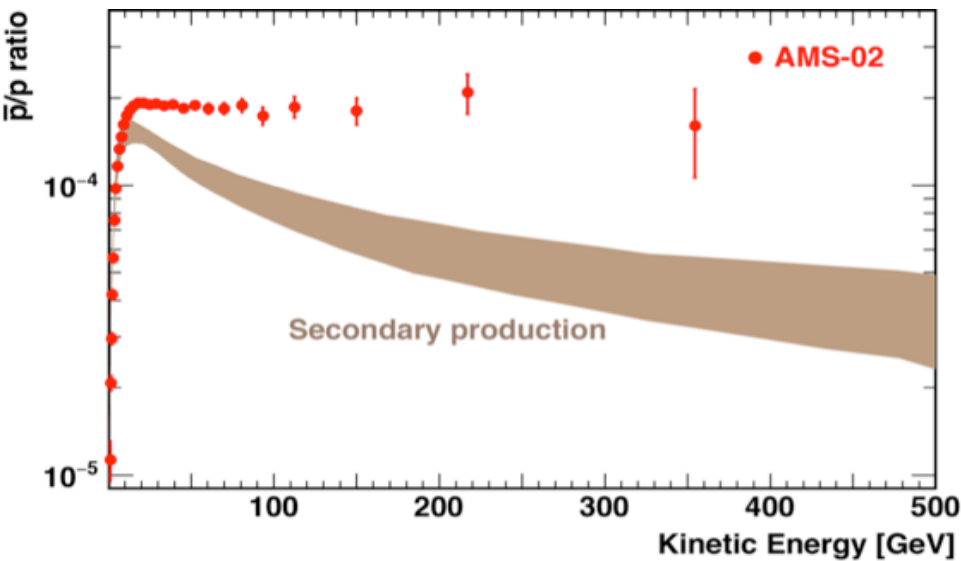
Secondary antiprotons: theoretical uncertainties

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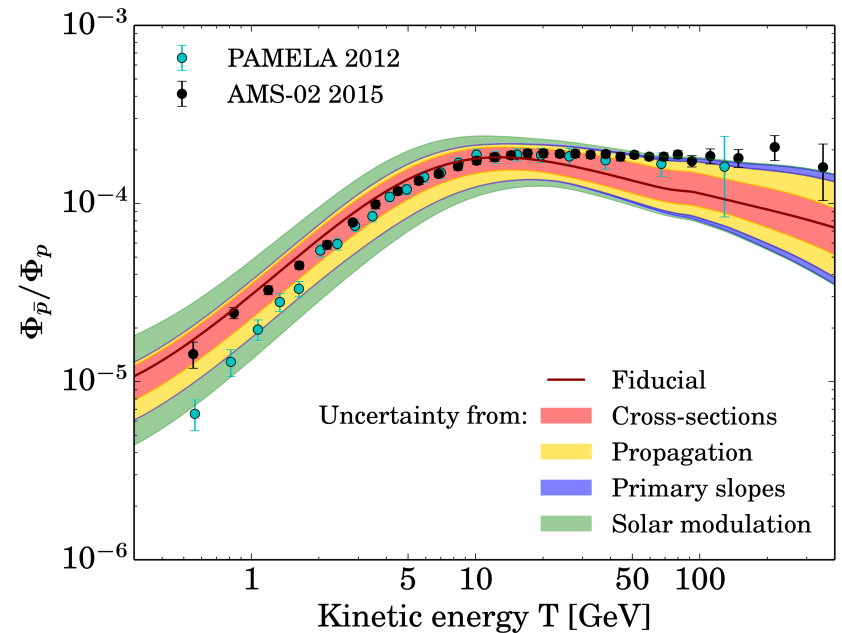


Prediction and AMS data

AMS Coll., Cern 15.04.2015



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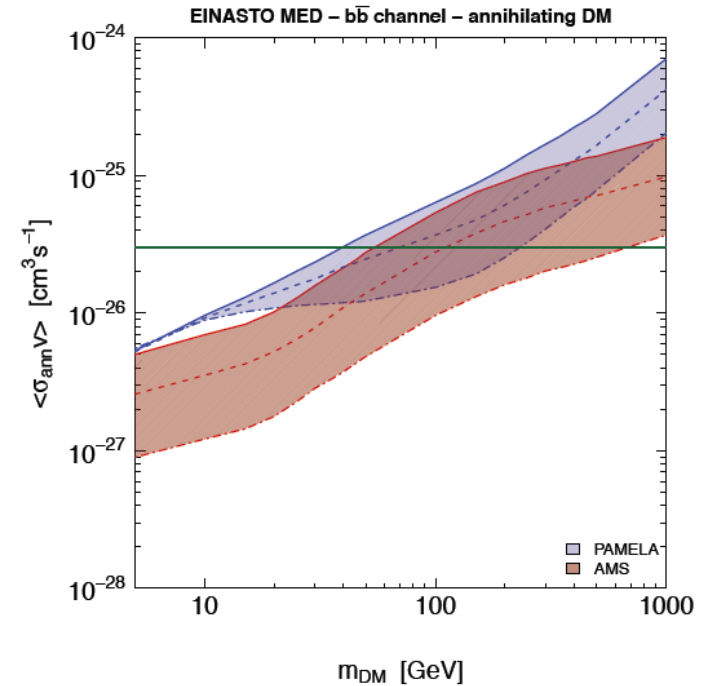
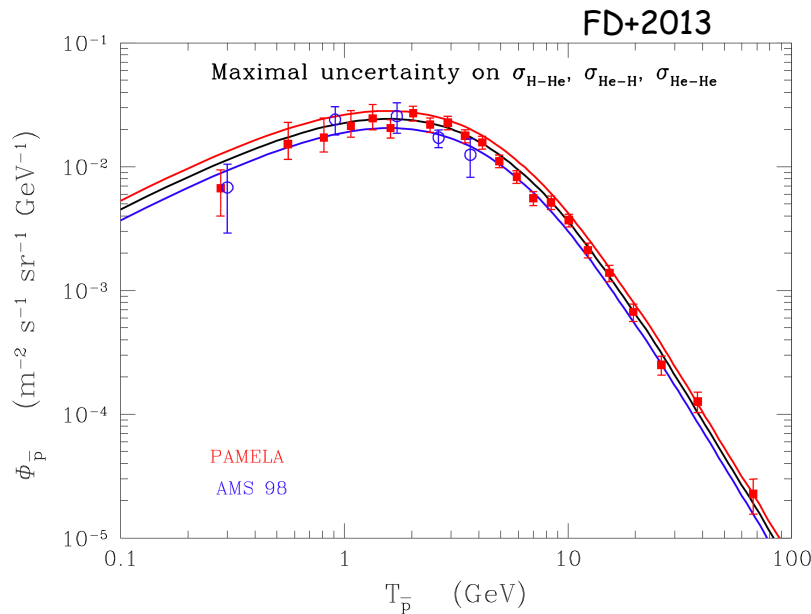
Very recent AMS-02 results up to 450 GeV
Can be explained by secondary production in the Milky Way,
considering several theoretical uncertainties

Reactions involving helium & higher energies

Uncertainties due to helium reactions range 40-50% on Secondary CR flux

Effect of cross section uncertainty on DARK MATTER interpretation

Fornengo, Maccione, Vittino JCAP2014

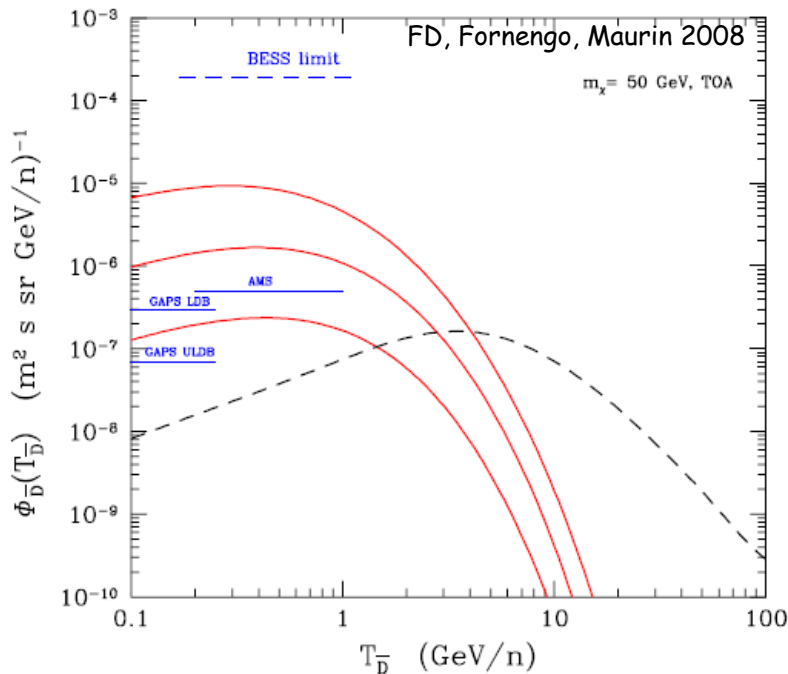


AMS-02 will provide data with much higher precision up to hundreds of GeV!!!
Their interpretation risks to be seriously limited by nuclear physics

COSMIC ANTIDEUTERONS

FD, Fornengo, Maurin PRD 2001; 2008; Kadastik, Raidal, Strumia PLB2010; Ibarra, Wild JCAP2013; Fornengo, Maccione, Vittino JCAP 2013; ...

In order for fusion to take place, the two antinucleons must have low kinetic energy



Kinematics of **spallation** reactions prevents the formation of very low antiprotons (antineutrons).

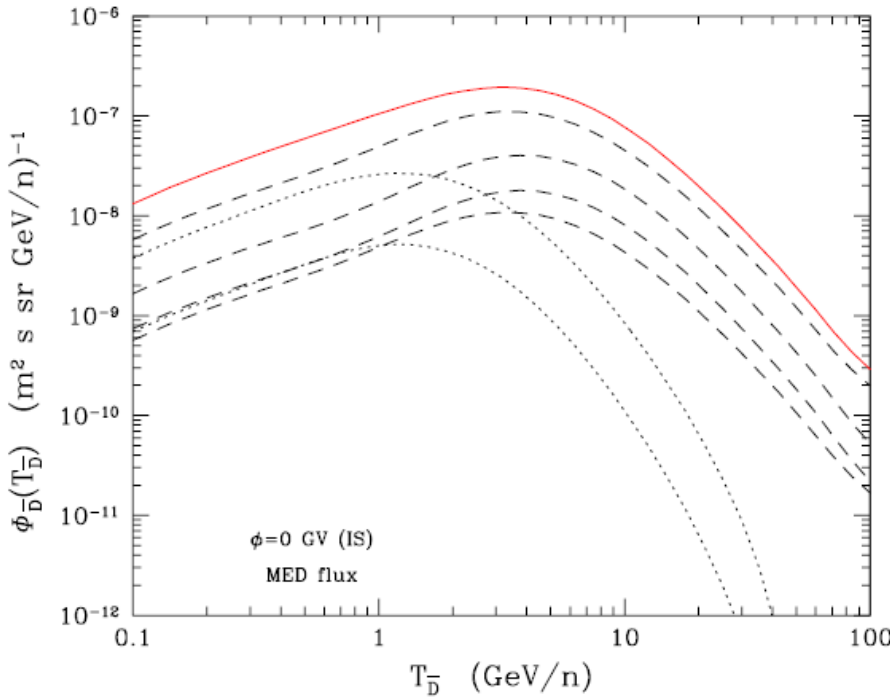
At variance, **dark matter** annihilate almost at rest

N.B: Up to now, NO ANTIDEUTERON has been detected yet.
Several experiments are on the road: AMS/ISS, BESS-Polar, GAPS ...

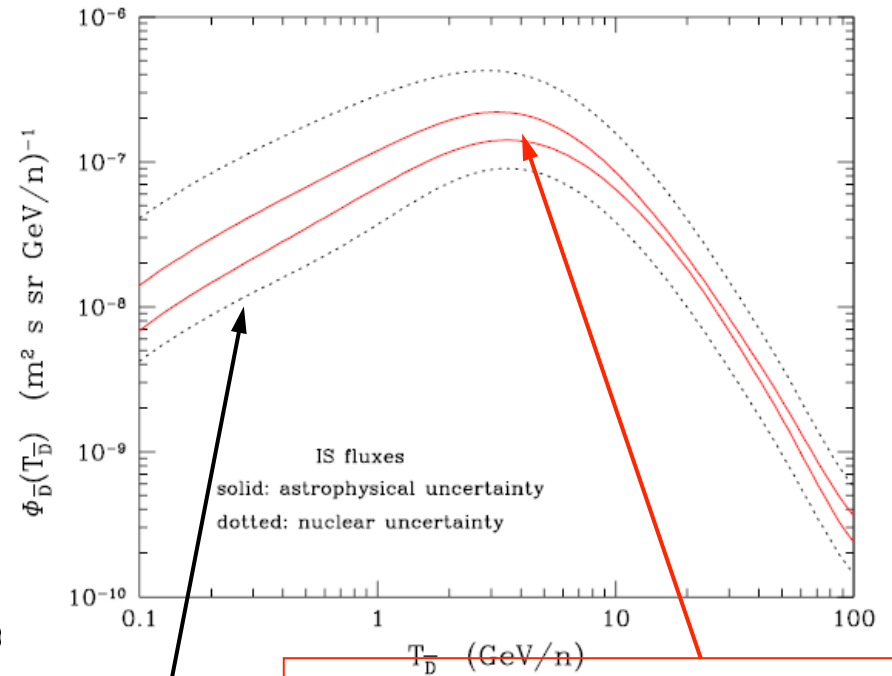
Secondary antideuteron

FD, Fornengo, Maurin PRD 2008

Contributions to secondaries



p-p, p-He,
 He-H, He-He
 H- pbar, He-pbar



Propagation uncertainties
Compatibility with B/C

Nuclear uncertainties
 Production cross sections & P_{coal}
 Production from antiprotons
 Non-annihilating cross sections

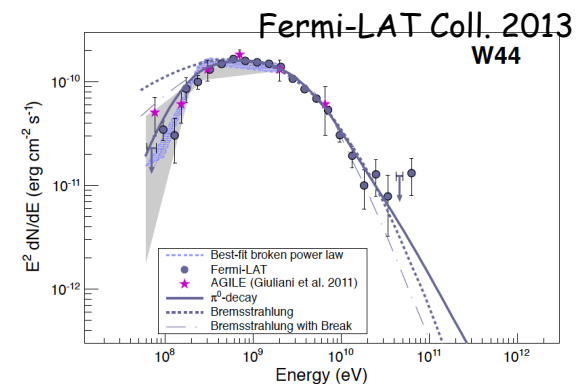
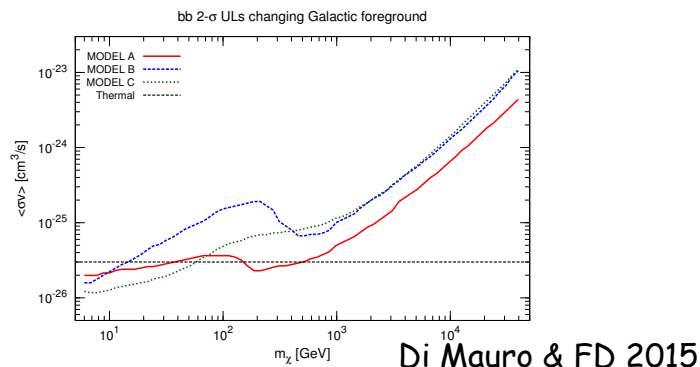
$p+He \rightarrow \pi^0 \rightarrow 2\gamma$: galactic foreground in the Fermi-LAT data

Contextually to $p+He \rightarrow$ antiprotons, it would be of very interesting to measure also the photons (gamma rays) coming from the hadronization processes via π^0 decay.

This process occurs in the galactic disk and enters the calculation of the galactic emission, crucial for understanding:

1. **DARK MATTER annihilation**
(Galaxy, dwarf spheroidal galaxies, ..)

2. **ORIGIN of COSMIC RAYS**
galaxy emission, SNRs, ..



The astrophysics of cosmic rays is entering an era of remarkable **precision** (AMS-02, Fermi-LAT,...)

Data on nuclei, isotopes, antimatter, leptons and gamma-rays will need **complex modeling** for their interpretation:

1. The accelerators of cosmic rays
2. The propagation in the Galaxy
3. The nuclear processes: from the highest nuclei (i.e. nickel) to light antimatter one needs total inelastic, production, inelastic non-annihilating **cross sections**, ... which are **modeled** according to LAB experiments...**if any**...

Focusing on cosmic antimatter

ANTIMATTER (antiproton, positrons, antideuterons)
in cosmic rays is a clue ingredient in order to:

1. Test the galactic propagation models (fixed, i.e., by B/C)
2. Search for (or set limits) to **dark matter** annihilating in the halo of the Milky Way

Propagation uncertainties are now confined to ~20%,
and will be significantly reduced by
AMS-02 data on B/C and other nuclear species.

DATA in space → DATA at Cern?

Cosmic antiproton data are expected with few% errors while nuclear physics may bring uncertainties ~ 50% to the predicted cosmic flux

The lack of data on several lab cross section puts serious limits in the interpretation of forthcoming cosmic ray data

A direct measurement of **ANTIPROTON**, together with γ, e^+, D^-, \dots production from $p\text{-He}$ seems to me mandatory in order to interpret unambiguously future cosmic ray data.

May we also improve in nuclear physics modelings, non perturbative QCD, etc?

No conclusions!

Let's think about:

- Is the physics case $p+\text{He} \rightarrow p^-, e^+, \gamma$ worth to be pursued within our community, and w.r.t. funding agencies?
- If yes, what should be done from the **theory** side?
And from the **experimental** side?
- The accelerator data (cross sections) needed to properly model the galactic cosmic ray data would make up a **HUGE experimental program**
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BACKUP SLIDES

The role of helium nuclei

Kachelriess, Moskalenko & Ostapchenko 2015

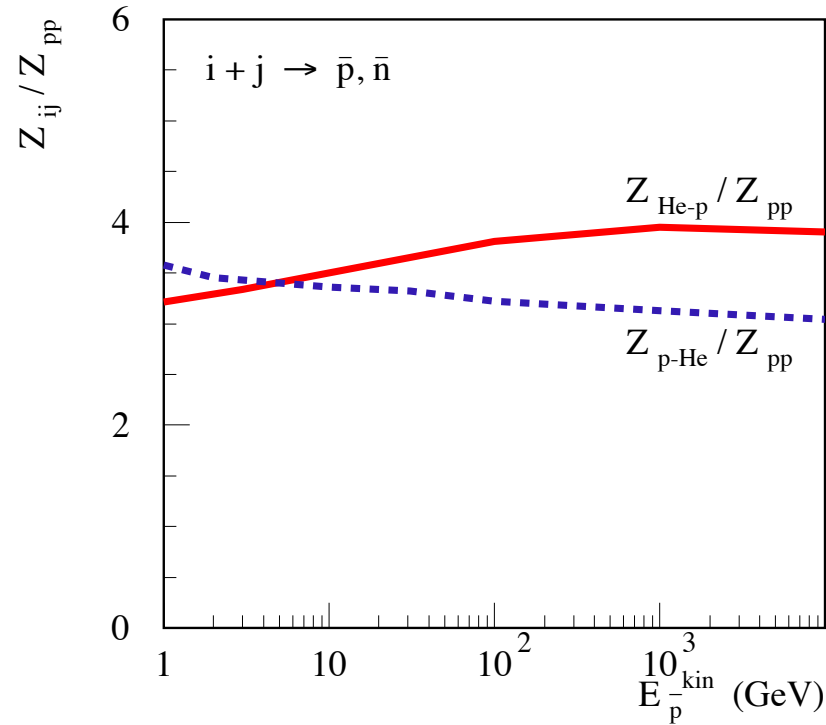


FIG. 7.— Energy dependence of the enhancement of the He p (solid, red) and p He (dashed, blue) contributions to the antiproton spectrum, relative to the pp -case, $Z_{\bar{p}}^{ij}(E_{\bar{p}}, \alpha)/Z_{\bar{p}}^{pp}(E_{\bar{p}}, \alpha)$ (plotted as a function of $E_{\bar{p}}^{\text{kin}}$), for $\alpha = 2.6$.

X-sec uncertainties: impact on GCR model parameters

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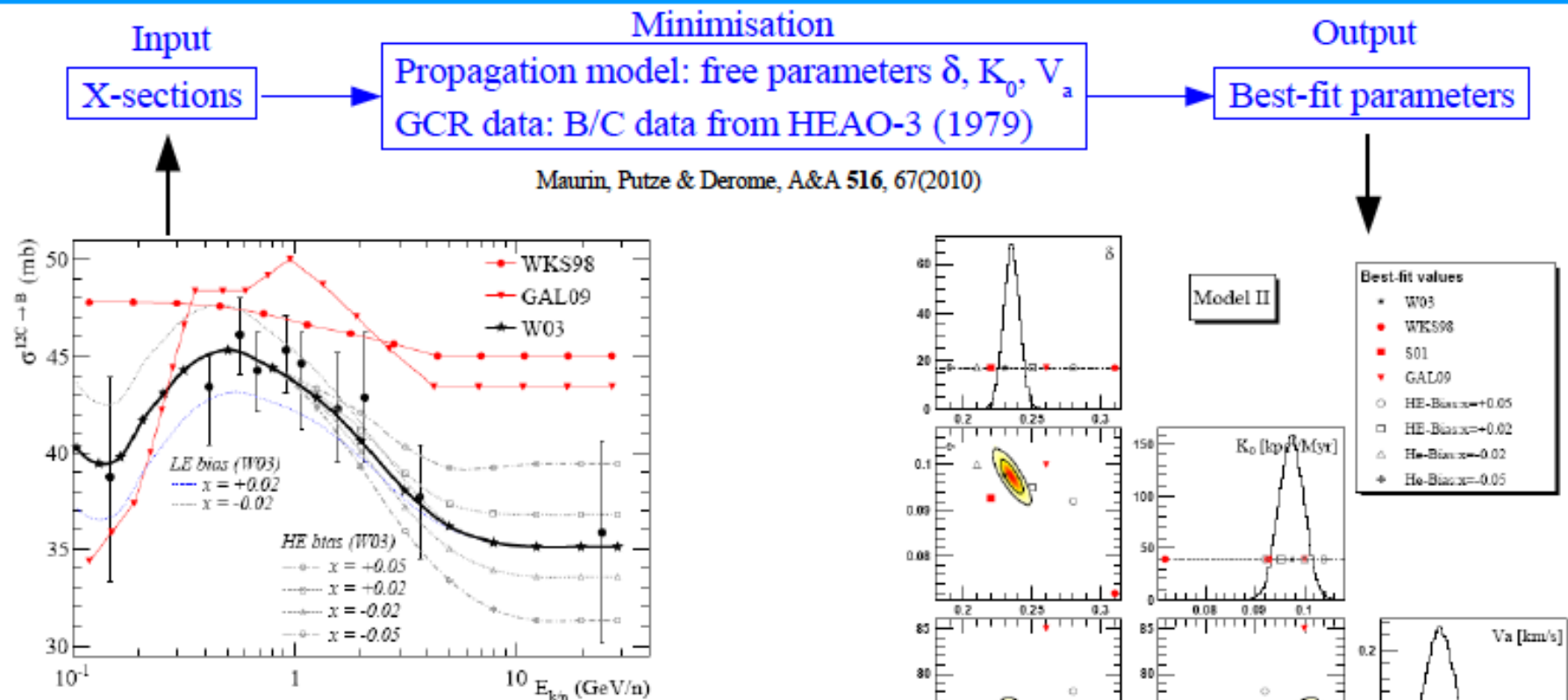
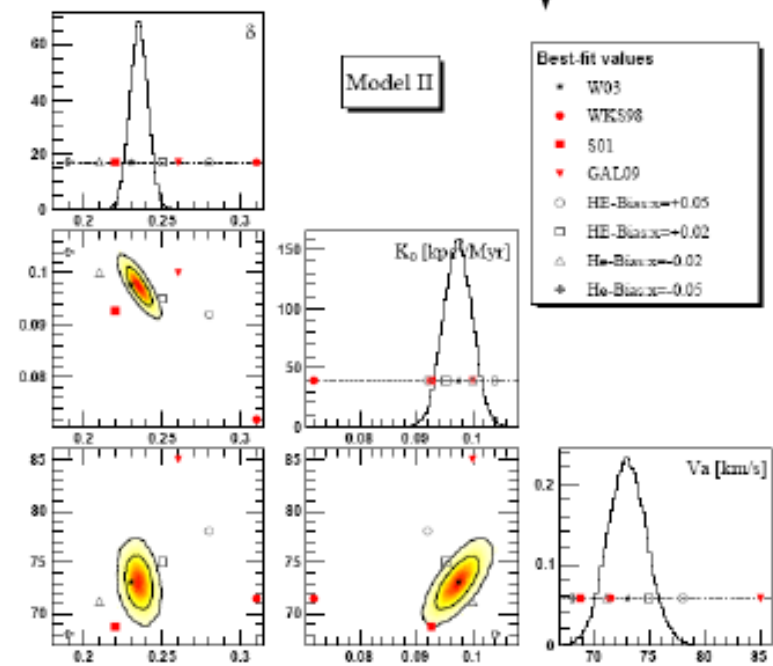


Fig. 3. Production cross-section for $^{12}\text{C}+\text{H}\rightarrow^{10,11}\text{B}$ (adapted from Webber et al. 2003). The standard sets are shown as solid lines (WKS98: red dots; GAL09: red down triangles; W03: black stars), and the biased sets in dotted ($|x| = 0.02$) and dashed ($|x| = 0.05$) lines.



- W03 and WKS98 are parameterisations of the same 'data' (energy bias)
- GAL09: modern nuclear codes normalised to LANL database [Moskalenko & Mashnik, astro-ph/0306367]

→ Systematics uncertainties (from X-sec) > statistical uncertainties (from GCR data)
 ... and AMS-02 is at least 100 better than HEAO-3!

Inelastic cross sections ($\sigma_R = \sigma^{tot} - \sigma_{ela}^{tot}$)

(Slide from D. MAURIN)

- Bradt & Peters (1950)

$$\sigma_R = \pi r_0^2 (A_{proj}^{1/3} + A_{cible}^{1/3} - b_0)^2$$

- Letaw *et al.* (1970-2000): **accuracy <2% for $2 < Z < 30$ and $E > 300 \text{ MeV/n}$**

S.Barshay & al, Phys.Lett **51B**, 5 (1974)
 J.R.Letaw & al, ApJSS **51**, 271 (1983)
 R.Silberberg & C.H Tsao, Phys.Rep. **191**, 351 (1990)
 L.Sihver & al, Phys.Rev.C **47**, 1225 (1993)
 H.P.Wellish & D.Axen, Phys.Rev.C **54**, 1329 (1996)
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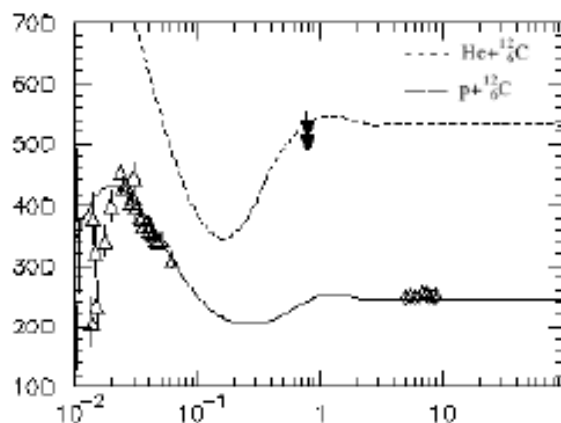
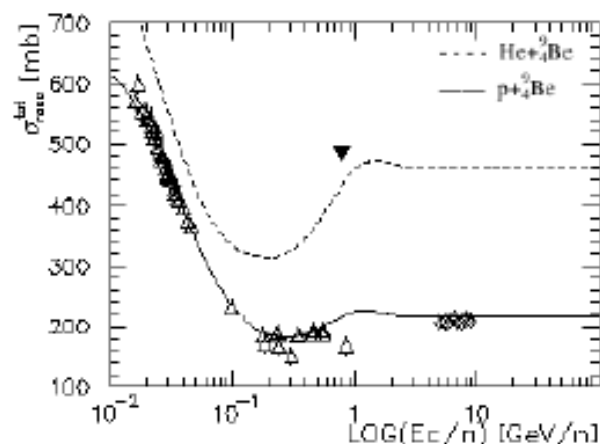
$$\mu_R(E_k) = \sigma_R^{HE} [1 - 0.62 \exp(-\sqrt{E_k}/200) \sin(10.9 E_k^{-0.28})] \text{ (mb)}$$

$$\sigma_R^{HE} = 45 A^{0.7} [1 + 0.016 \sin(5.3 - 2.63 \ln A)] \text{ (mb)}$$

- Tripathi *et al.* (~2000): **~ or better (at low E) than Letaw *et al.*, valid for all N+N reaction!**

R.K.Tripathi & al, NASA, Technical Paper **3621**, (1997)
 R.K.Tripathi & al, NASA, Technical Paper **3656**, (1997)
 R.K.Tripathi & al, NASA, Technical Paper **209726**, (1999)

$$\sigma_R = \pi r_0^2 \left(A_{proj}^{1/3} + A_{cible}^{1/3} + \delta_E \right)^2 \left(1 - R_c \frac{B}{E_{cm}} \right) X_m$$



Data from compilations:
 Bobchenko 79, Tanihata 85,
 Bauhoff 86, Carlson 96

→ Tripathi *et al.* is the one generally used in the field

Production cross sections (straight-ahead approx.)

$$\int_0^\infty n_H v' N^k(T') \sigma^{kj}(T, T') dT' = \int_0^\infty n_H v' N^k(T') \sigma^{kj}(T) \delta(T - T') dT' = n_H v N^k(T) \sigma^{kj}(T)$$

- Semi-empirical approach [Silberberg et Tsao]

- for any Proj. + Targ. → Frag.
- better than Webber if extrapolation ($Z > 30$)

- Empirical approach [Webber et al.]

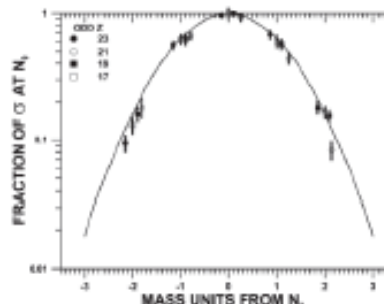
- for Proj. + H/He → Frag.
- better than Silberberg on 'data' ($Z < 30$)

- More recent empirical codes

- EPAX2 <http://www-w2k.gsi.de/hellstr/asp/gsi/epaxv21m.asp>
- PHITS phits.jaea.go.jp

- Microscopic description

- LAQGSM (Los Alamos Quark Gluon String Model)
- NUCFRG2 (semi-empirical abrasion-ablation model)



R.Silberberg & C.H.Tsao, ApJSS **25**, 315 (1973)
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 C.H.Tsao & al, ICRC **26**, HE.1.1.04 (1999)

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P.Ferrando & al, Phys.Rev.C **37**, 1490 (1988)
 W.R.Webber, J.C.Kish, D.A.Schrier, Phys.Rev.C **41**, 1248 (1990)
 W.R.Webber & al, ApJ **508**, 940 (1998-a)
 W.R.Webber & al, ApJ **508**, 949 (1998-b)
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 W.R. Webber et al., ApJSS **144**, 153 (2003)

L.W.Townsend & al, NASA, Technical Paper **3310**, (1993)
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 Zeitlin et al., Phys. Rev. C **77**, 034605 (2008)
 Zeitlin et al., AdSR **46**, 728 (2010)
 Zeitlin et al., Phys. Rev. C **83**, 034909 (2011)

→ Webber *et al.* is the one generally used in the field (but for $Z < 3$ nuclei) with claimed uncertainties $< 10\%$ (fragments from Li → O) or $< 20\%$ (from Fe)

NB: it is not straightforward to go from nuclear data/models to X-sec for GCRs

Transport equation in diffusion models

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Diffusion} \quad \text{Convection} \\
 & -\vec{\nabla} \left[K \vec{\nabla} N^j(E) - \vec{V}_c N^j(E) \right] - \Gamma^j N^j \\
 & - \frac{(\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{V}_c)}{3} \frac{\partial}{\partial E} \left[\frac{p^2}{E} N^j(E) \right] = Q^j(E) + \\
 & \frac{\partial}{\partial E} \left[-b_{\text{tot}}(E) N^j(E) + \beta^2 K_{pp} \frac{\partial N^j(E)}{\partial E} \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

Energy losses (EM) Reacceleration

Destruction on ISM

CR sources: primaries,
secondaries
(spallations)

1. **DESTRUCTION:** $\Gamma = n_{\text{ISM}} v \sigma_R$, $\sigma_R = \sigma^{\text{tot}} - \sigma^{\text{tot}}_{\text{el}}$

2. **SOURCES:** $\bar{Q}^j \equiv q_0^j Q(E) \hat{q}_i + \sum_k^{m_k > m_j} \tilde{\Gamma}^{kj} N_i^k(0)$

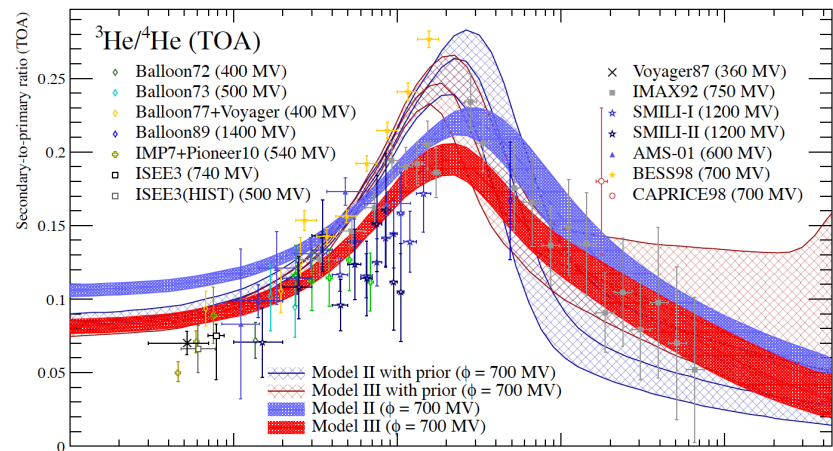
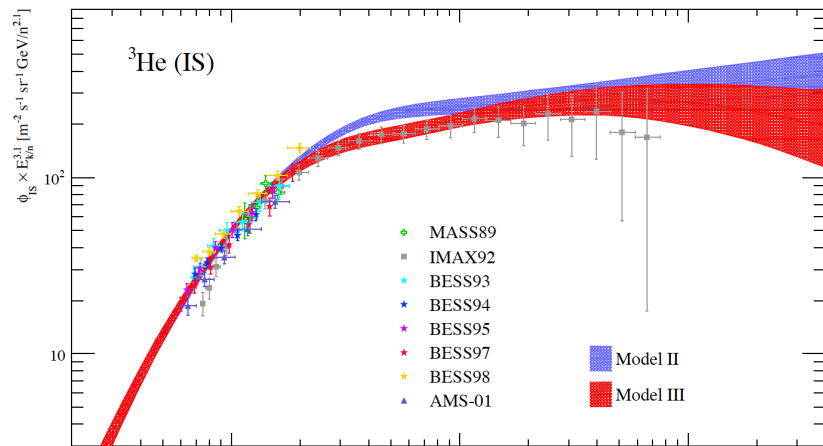
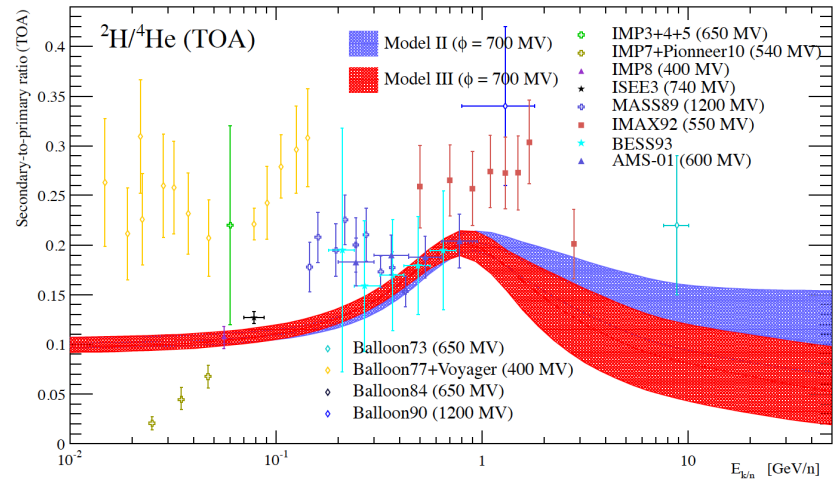
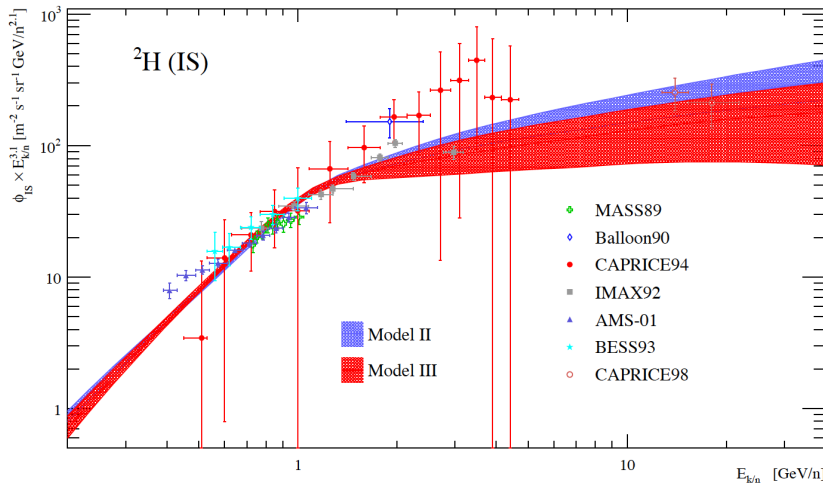
Primary
production
in SNR

Secondary production
by fragmentation
of heavier nuclei

Z<=2 Nuclei

Coste, Derome, Maurin, Putze A&A 2012

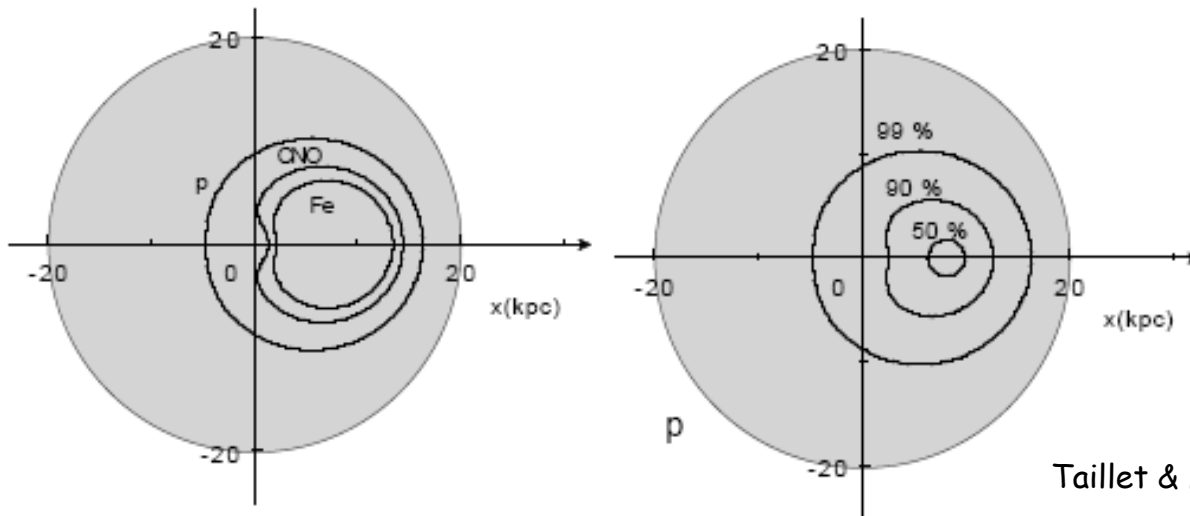
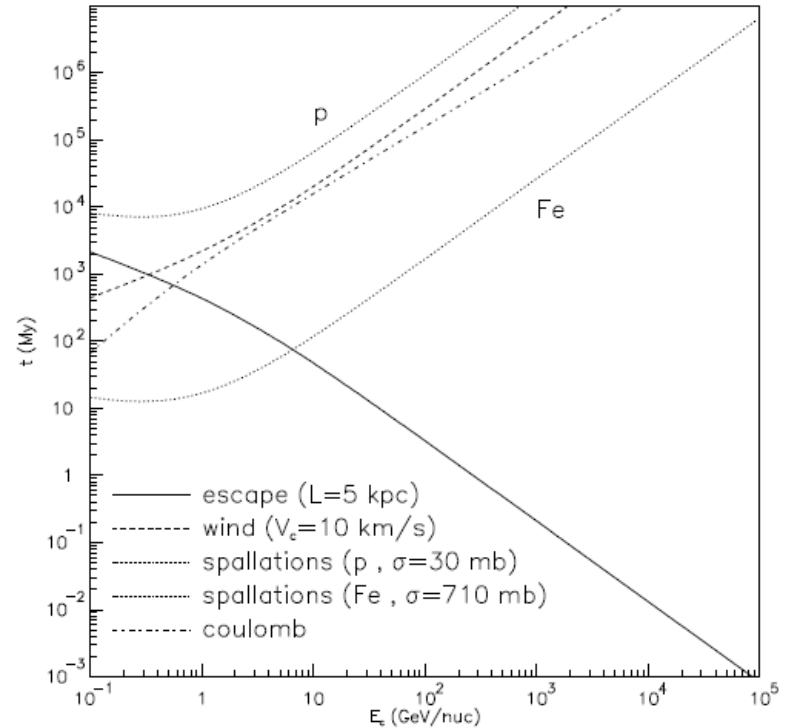
^1H , ^2H , ^3He , ^4He almost as powerful as B/C
Noticeable effort on reliable cross sections



Characteristic times and distances

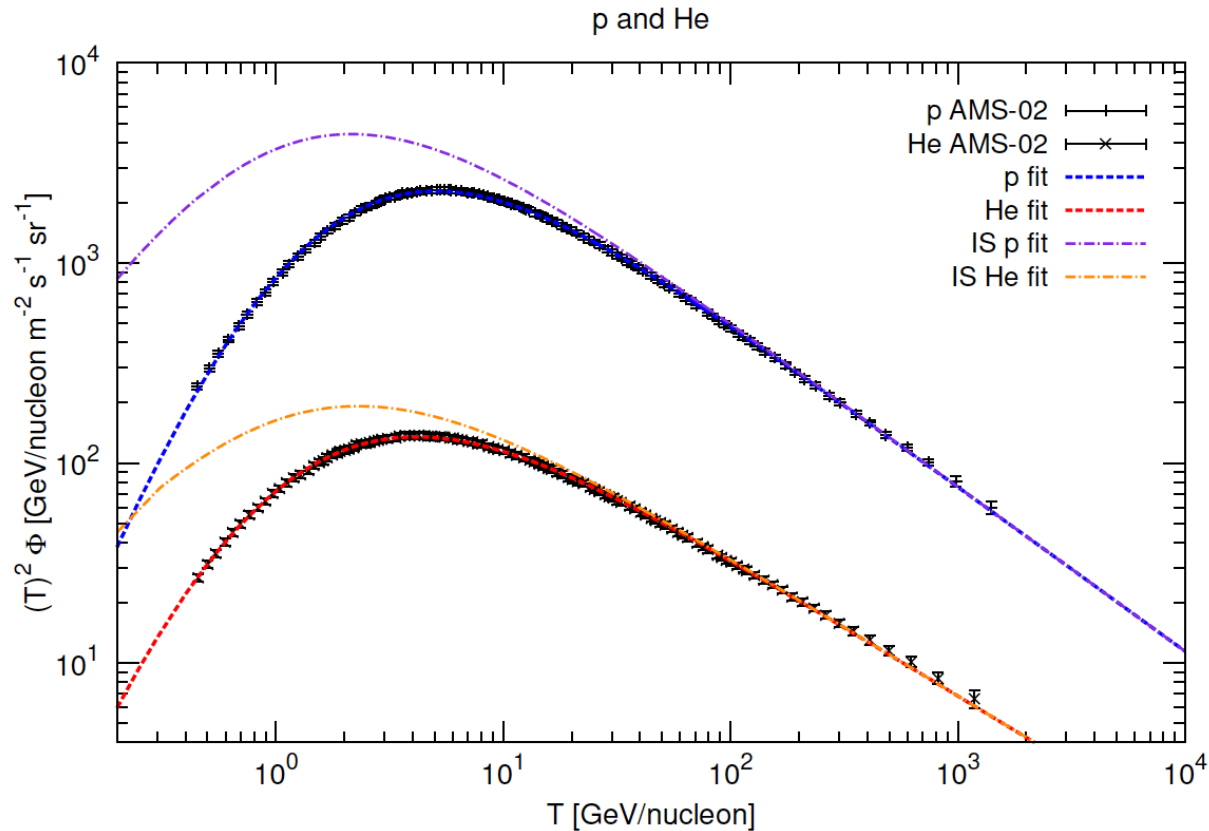
The smaller the time,
the most effective the process is

Protons: escape $E > 1 \text{ GeV}$
convection and e.m. losses $E < 1 \text{ GeV}$,
Iron: escape $E > 1 \text{ GeV}$
Spallations $E < 10 \text{ GeV/n}$



Fe more local than p
90% p from 5-6 kpc

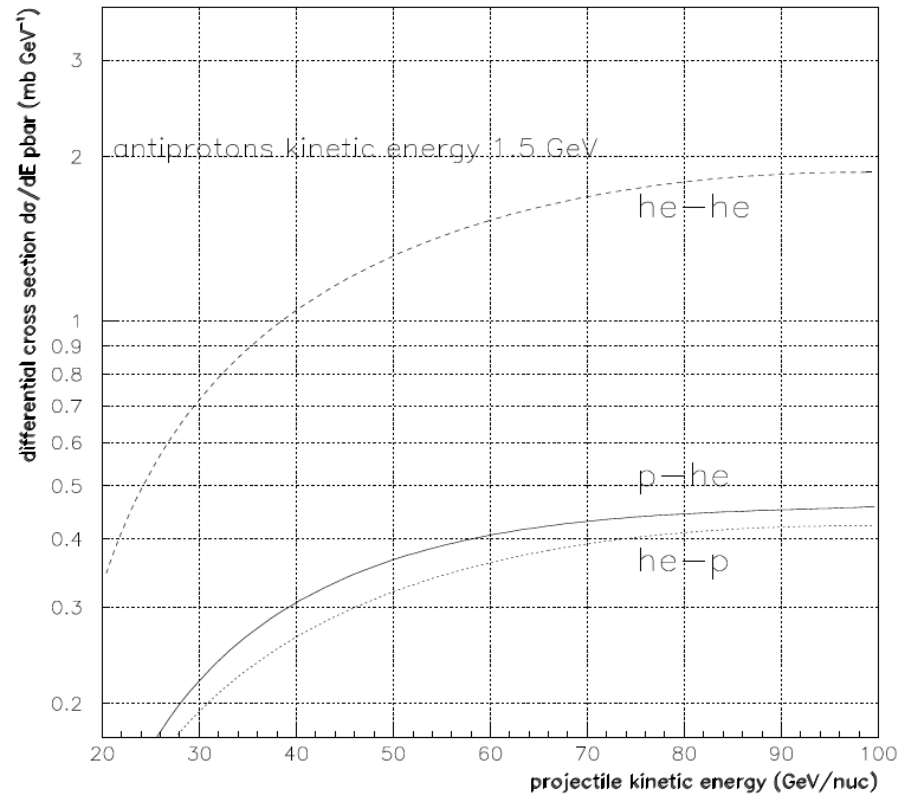
Antiproton source: p and He fluxes



Cosmic p and He experimental data from AMS02 (2013).

Excellent fit \rightarrow negligible uncertainty due to this entry

Differential antiproton cross section



Given that:

1. In the ISM $n_{\text{H}}=0.9/\text{cm}^3$, $n_{\text{He}}=0.1/\text{cm}^3$,
2. the cosmic p flux is ~ 10 higher than He

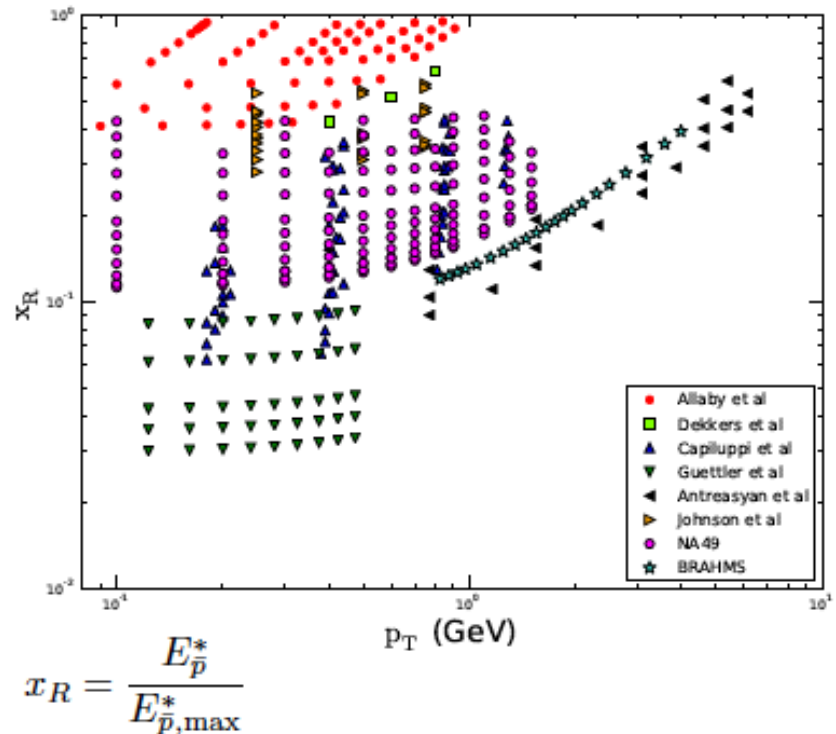
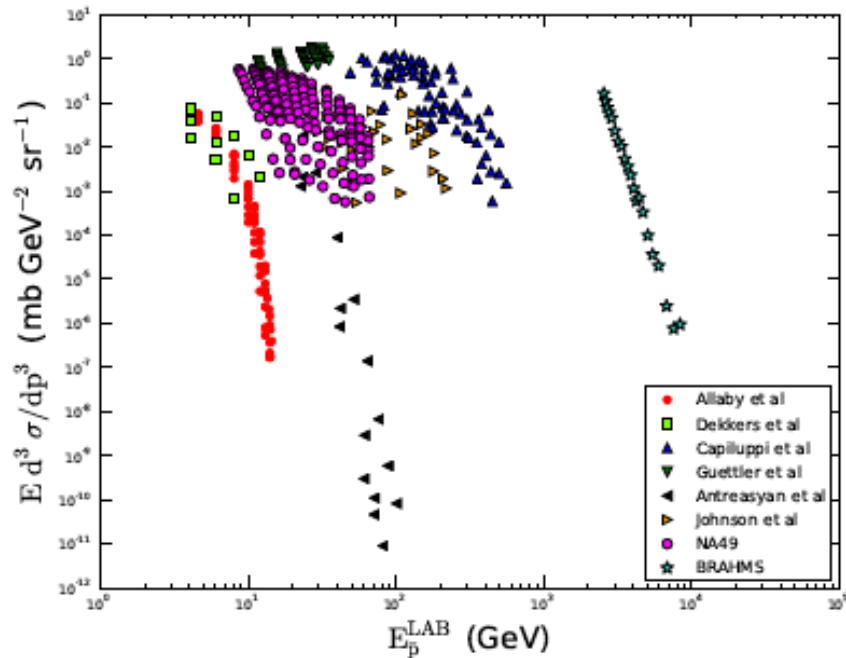
→ the main production channel involving He is $p_{\text{CR}}\text{-He}_{\text{ISM}}$

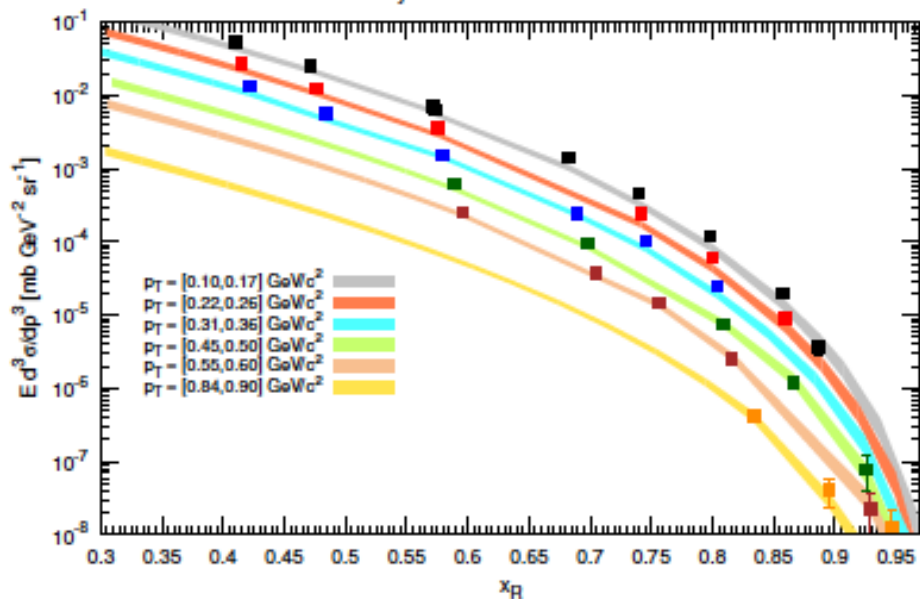
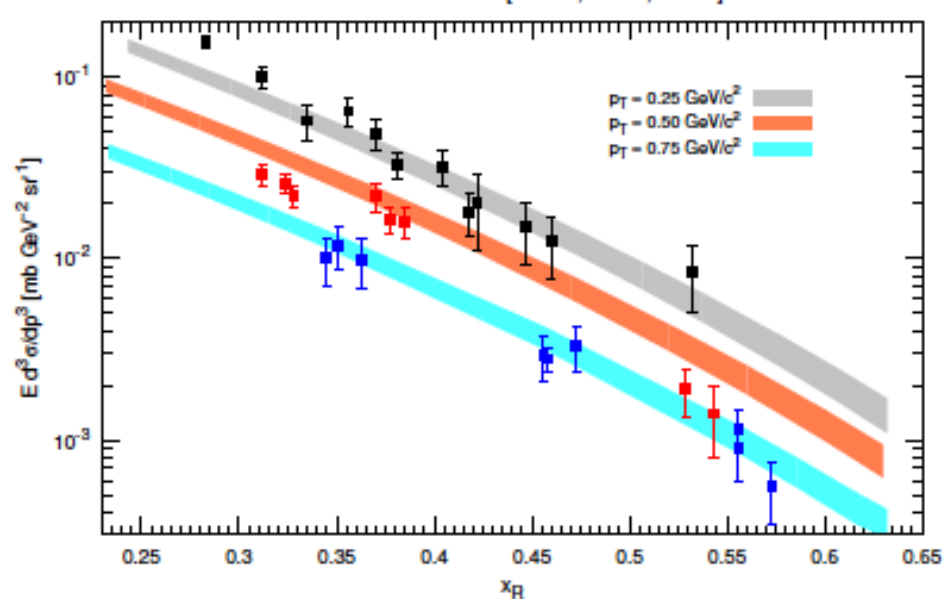
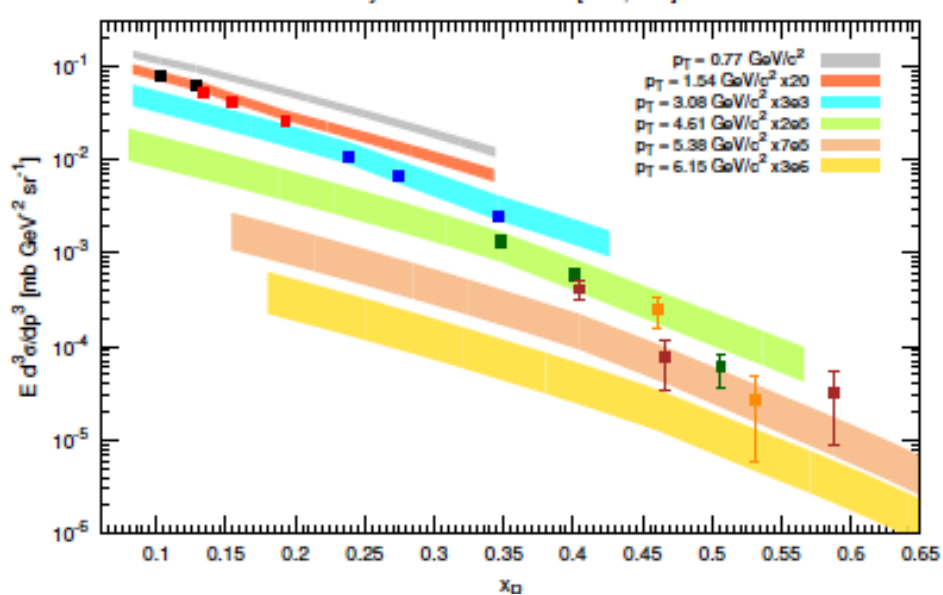
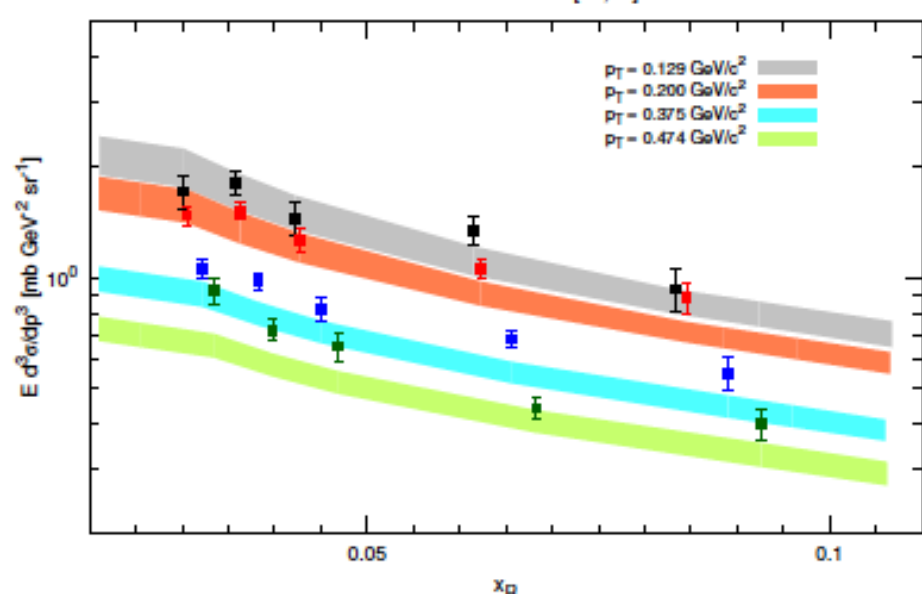
New analysis of $p\text{-}p \rightarrow p\bar{p}$ data

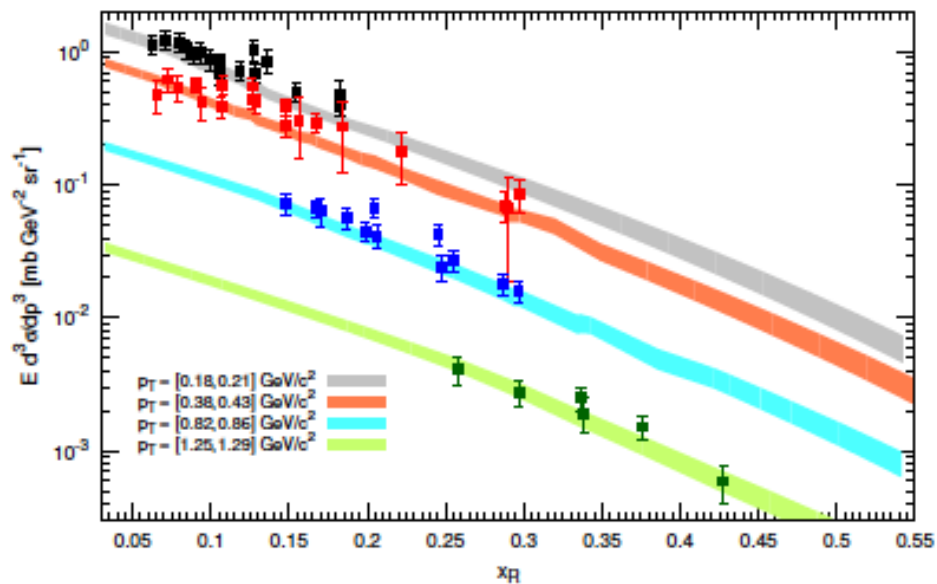
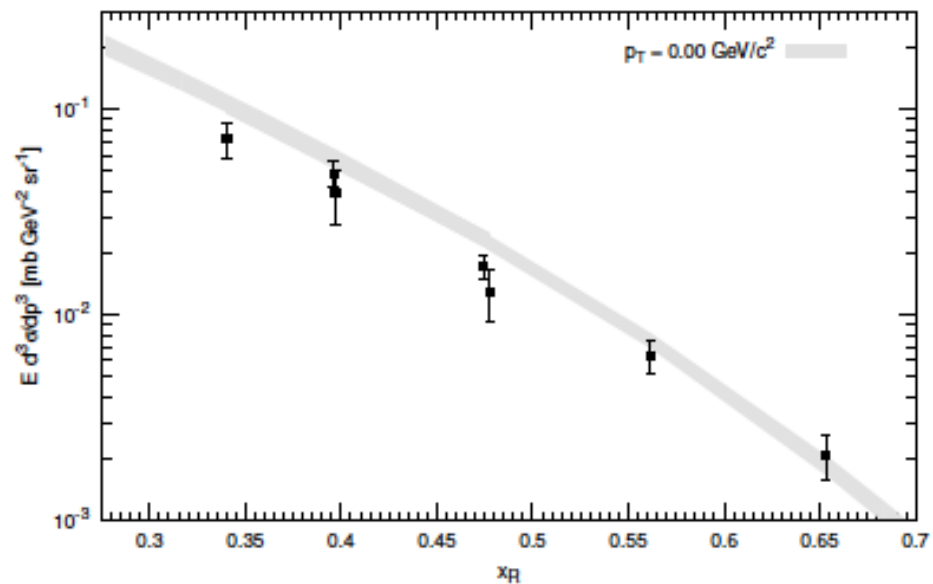
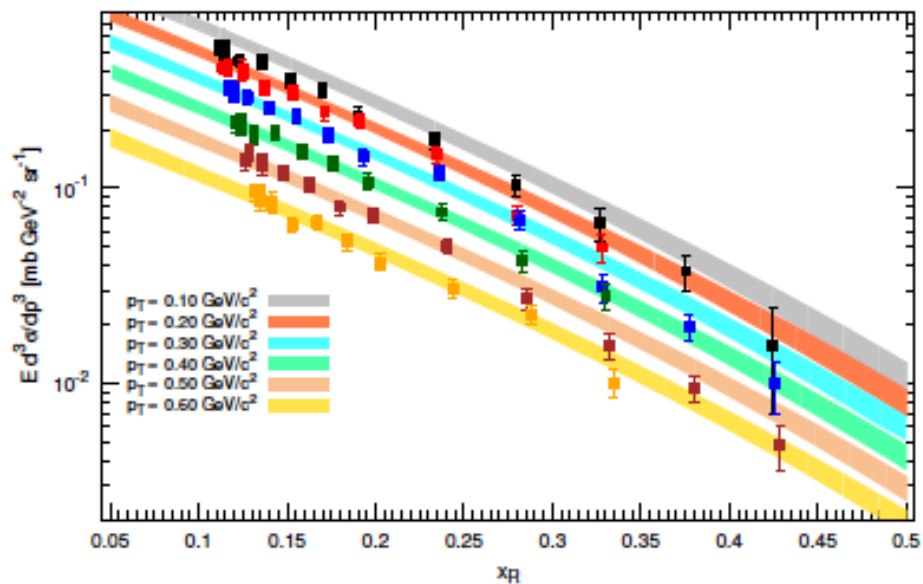
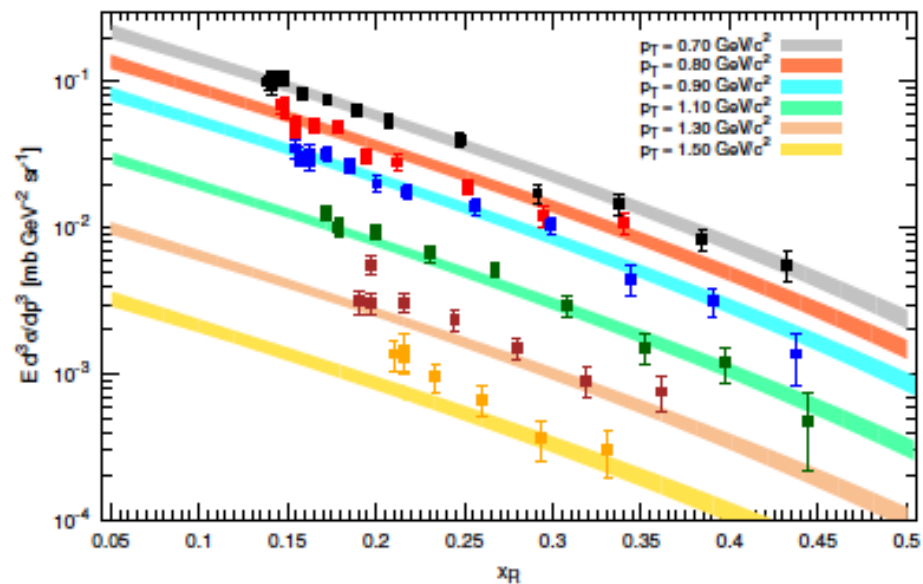
Di Mauro, FD, Goudelis, Serpico PRD 2014, 1408.0288; Kappl, Winkler 1408.0299

$$Q_{\bar{p}}^{pp}(E_{\bar{p}}) = \int_{E_{\text{th}}}^{+\infty} \frac{d\sigma_{pp \rightarrow \bar{p}}}{dE_{\bar{p}}}(E_p, E_{\bar{p}}) n_H(4\pi\Phi_p(E_p)) dE_p$$

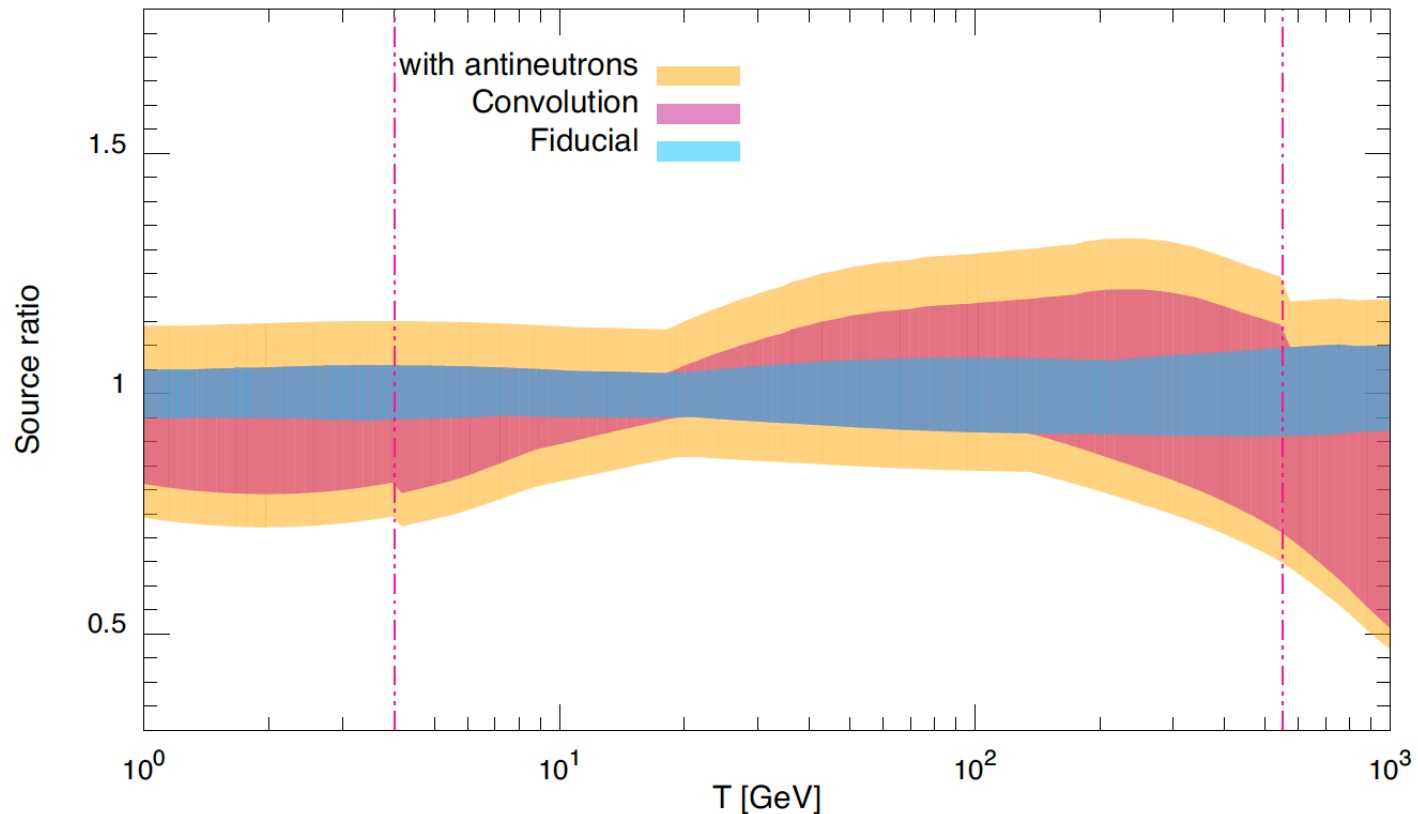
Existing data



Allaby et al. 1970 $s^{1/2} = 6.15$ GeVJohnson et al. 1978 $s^{1/2} = [13.761, 19.416, 27.426]$ GeVAntreasyan et al. 1979 $s^{1/2} = [19.4, 27.4]$ GeVGuettler et al. 1976 $s^{1/2} = [23, 63]$ GeV

Capiluppi et al. 1974 $s^{1/2} = [23.3, 63]$ GeVDekkers et al. 1965 $s^{1/2} = 6.7$ GeVAnticic et al. 2010 $s^{1/2} = 17.3$ GeVAnticic et al. 2010 $s^{1/2} = 17.3$ GeV

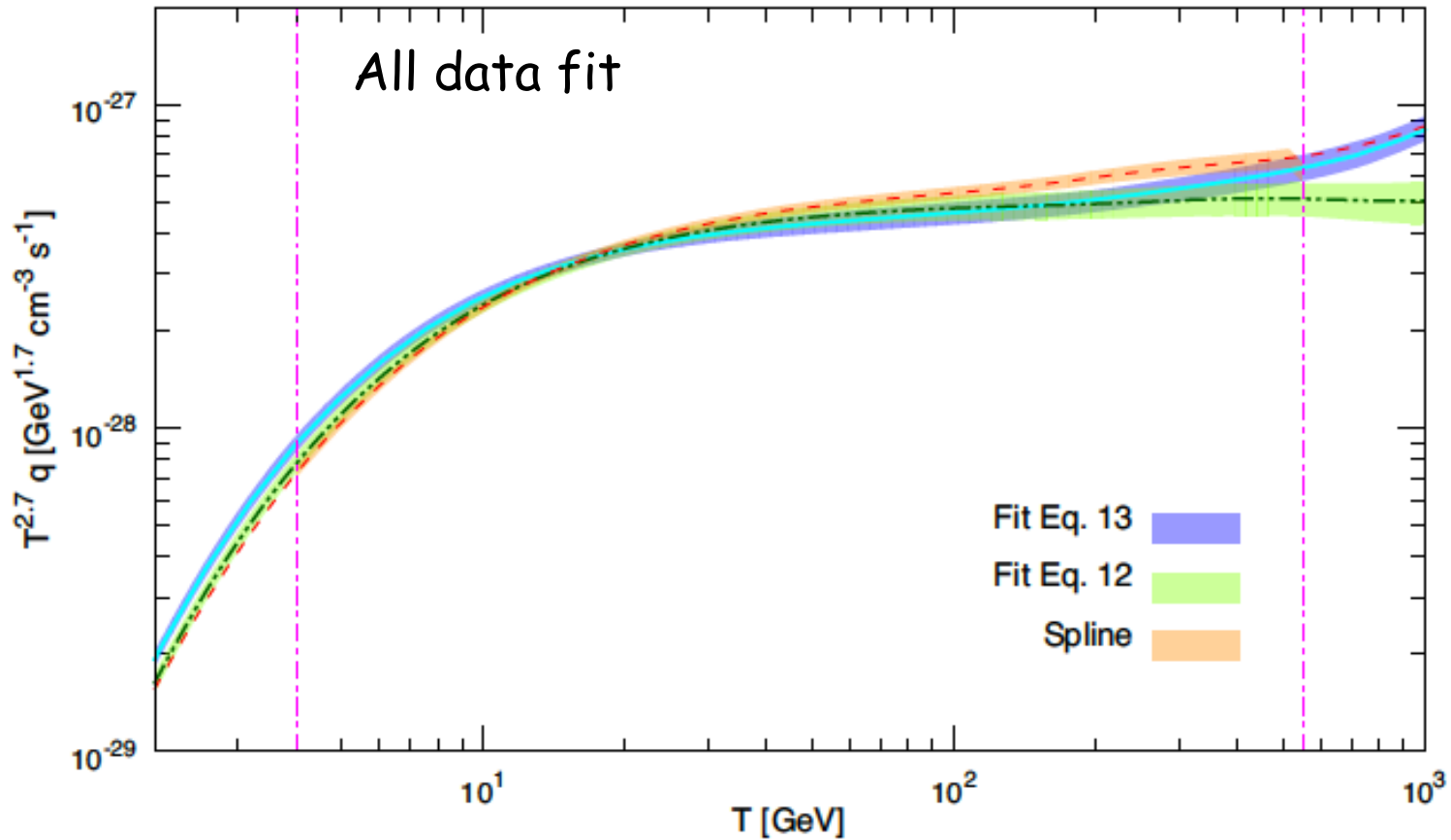
Uncertainties due p-p scattering



Uncertainties in the $p\bar{p}$ production spectrum from p-p scattering are at least 10%.

Conservative: 20% at low energies (GeV) up to 50% (TeV)
(data expected at least up to ~ 500 GeV)

Antiproton source spectrum from p-p channels



$$E \frac{d^3\sigma}{dp^3} = \sigma_{\text{in}}(s)(1 - x_R)^{C_1} e^{-C_2 x_R} \quad (12)$$

$$\left[C_3(\sqrt{s})^{C_4} e^{-C_5 p_T} + C_6(\sqrt{s})^{C_7} e^{-C_8 p_T^2} \right].$$

$$E \frac{d^3\sigma}{dp^3} = \sigma_{\text{in}}(s)(1 - x_R)^{C_1} e^{-C_2 x_R} \left| \left[C_3(\sqrt{s})^{C_4} e^{-C_5 p_T} + \right. \right.$$

$$\left. \left. C_6(\sqrt{s})^{C_7} e^{-C_8 p_T^2} + C_9(\sqrt{s})^{C_{10}} e^{-C_{11} p_T^3} \right] \right|, \quad (13)$$

Different analytical functions give similar chi2, but different extrapolation out of validity ranges → uncertainties at low and high energies

GAPS prototype flight

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