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Payload for **A**ntimatter /
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Light-nuclei **A**strophysics

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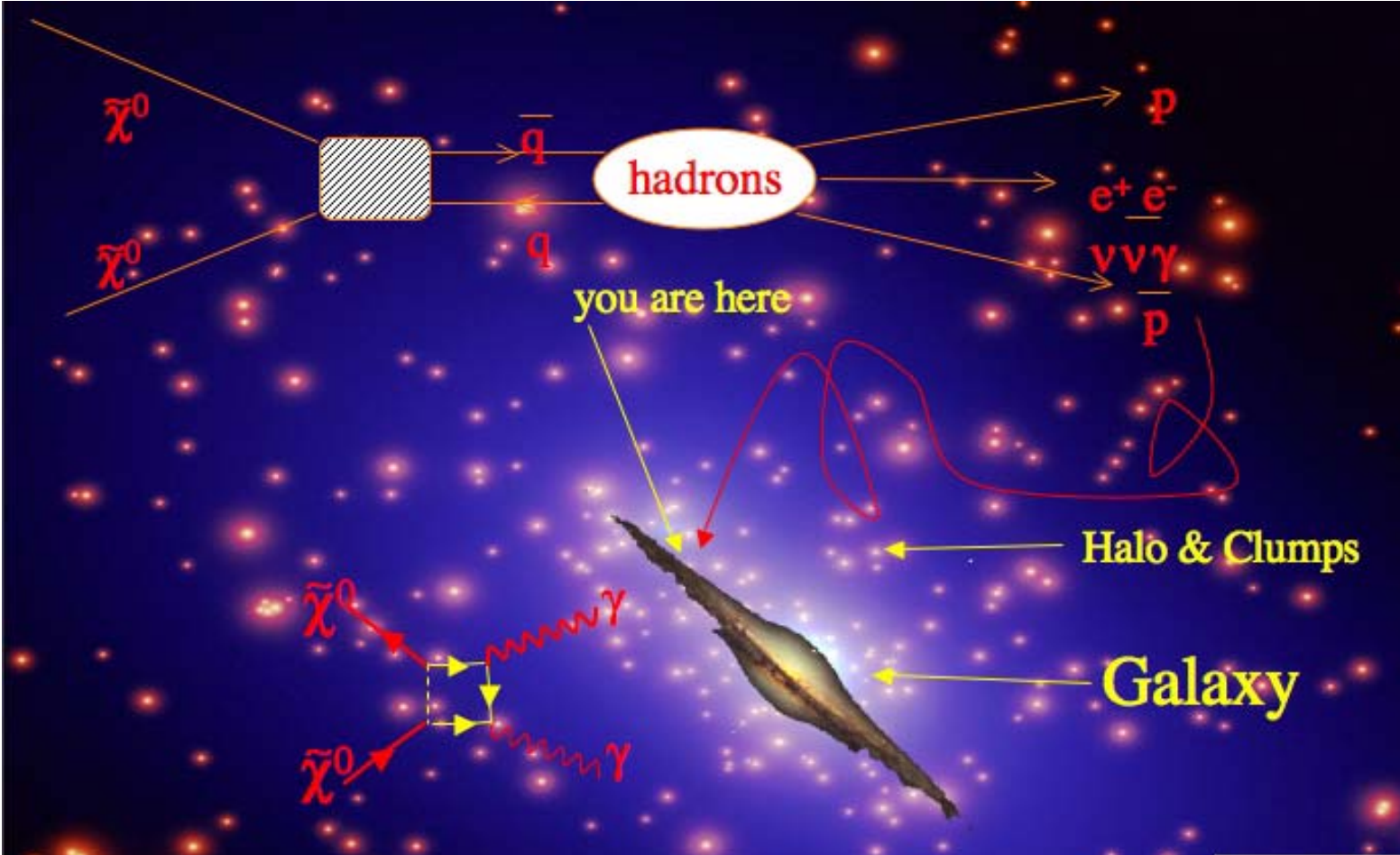
Dark Matter
FROM THE COSMOS TO THE LABORATORY

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Overview

- **Indirect searches for dark matter with antiparticles** (briefly - already covered by Lars Bergström)
- Description of **PAMELA instrument** and performance
- **Launch** into orbit (15th June 2006)
- **Flight data** (i.e. does it work?)

Signal (SUSY)...



... background

$$P_{CR} + P_{ISM} \rightarrow \bar{p} + p + p + p$$

$$P_{CR} + P_{ISM} \rightarrow \pi^+ + X; \pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_\mu; \mu^+ \rightarrow e^+ + \nu_e + \bar{\nu}_\mu$$

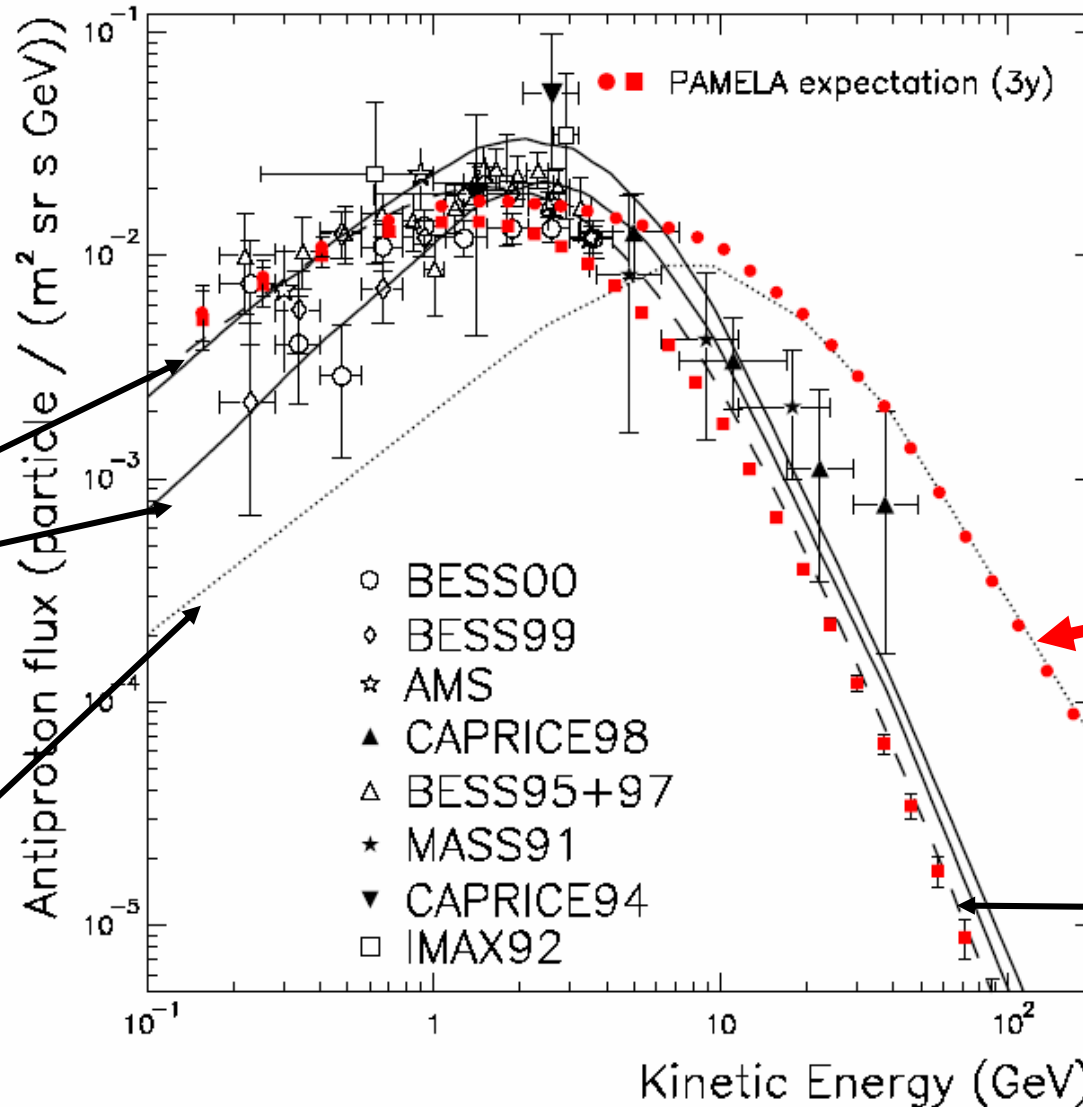
$$P_{CR} + P_{ISM} \rightarrow \pi^0 + X; \pi^0 \rightarrow \gamma + \gamma; \gamma \rightarrow e^+ + e^-$$

Antiprotons

AMS-01: space shuttle, 1998



CAPRICE balloon experiment, 1998



Secondary production
(upper and lower limits)
Simon et al. ApJ 499 (1998) 250.

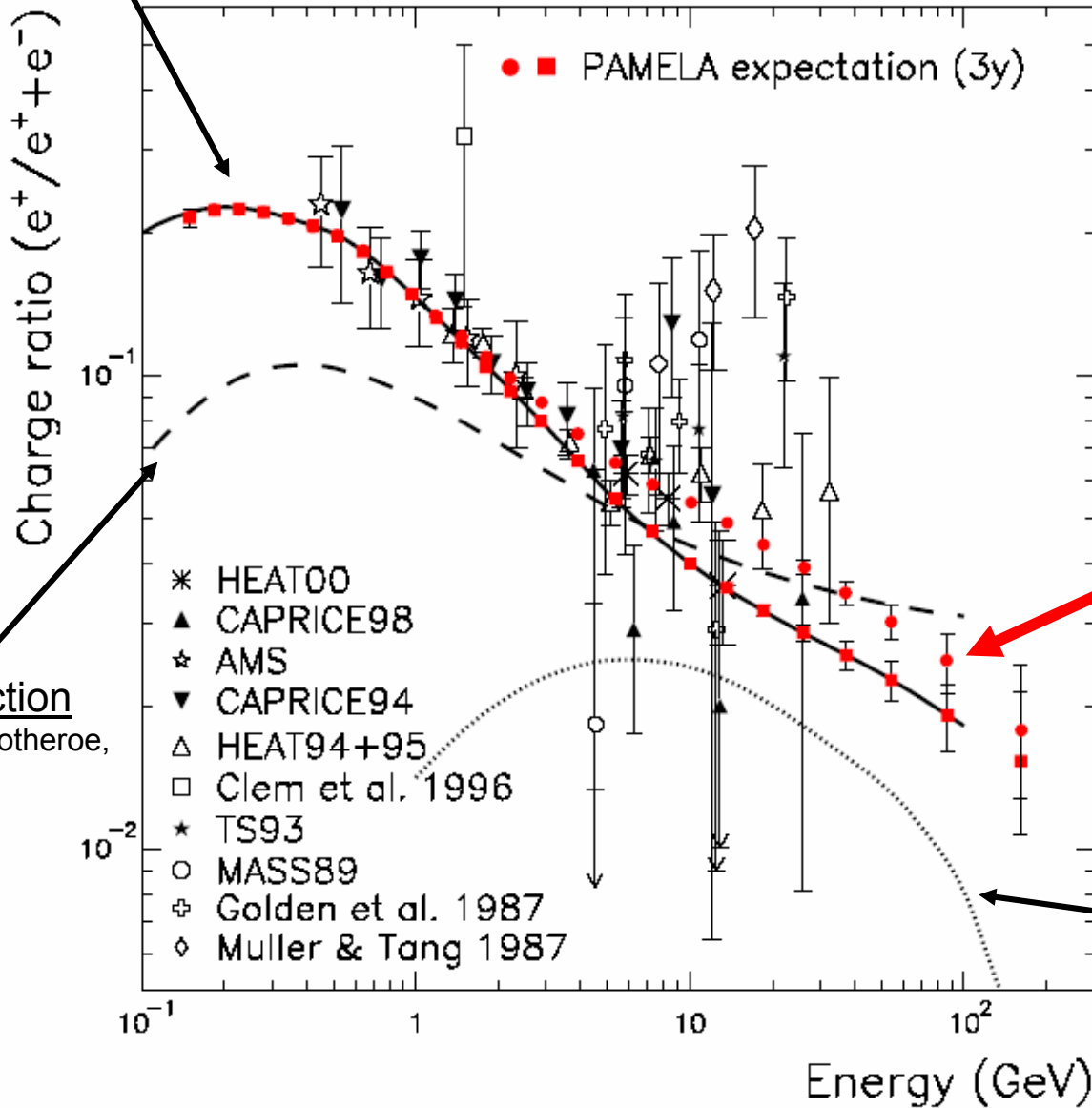
Primary production from $\chi\chi$ annihilation
($m(\chi) = 964$ GeV)
Ullio : astro-ph/9904086

PAMELA
Secondary production
'C94 model' + primary $\chi\chi$ distortion

Secondary production
(CAPRICE94-based)
Bergström et al. ApJ 526 (1999) 215

Positrons

Secondary production
 'Moskalenko + Strong model'
 without reacceleration. ApJ 493
 (1998) 694.



PAMELA
Secondary production
 'M+S model' +
primary $\chi\chi$ distortion

Secondary production
 'Leaky box model' R. Protheroe,
 ApJ 254 (1982) 391.

Primary production
 from $\chi\chi$ annihilation
 ($m(\chi) = 336$ GeV)
 Baltz + Edsjö, Phys Rev D59
 (1999) 023511.

UED models: Kaluza-Klein dark matter

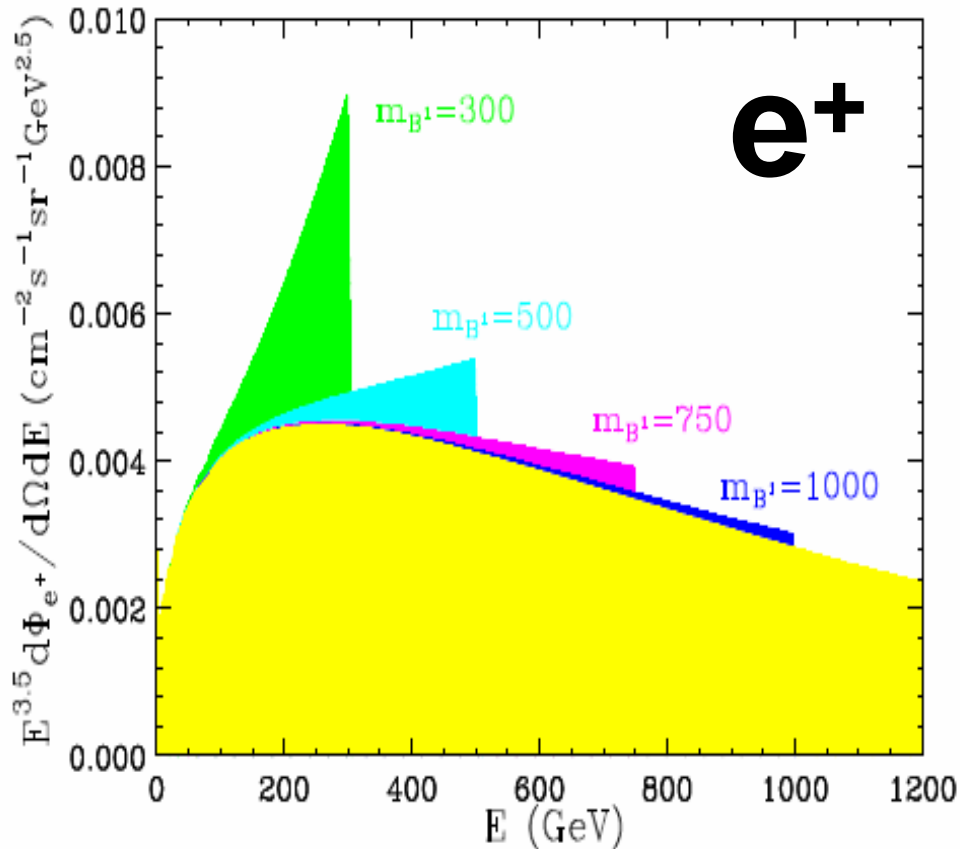


FIG. 2: Predicted positron signals (dark shaded) above background (light shaded) as a function of positron energy for $m_{B^1} = m_{e_L^1} = m_{e_R^1} = 100, 500, 750,$ and 1000 GeV.

Cheng, Feng, Matchev, hep-ph/0207125v2

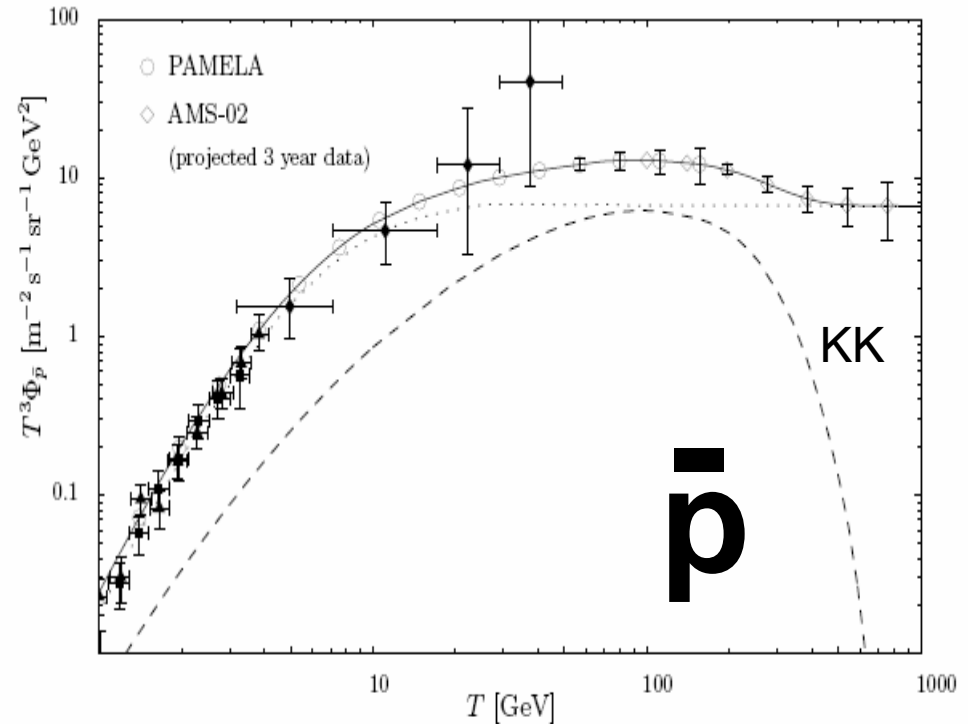
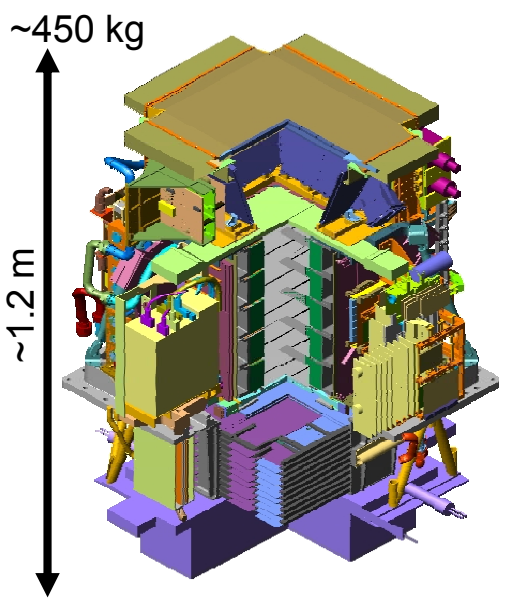


Figure 4. The solid line shows the expected antiproton spectrum for the case of a clumpy NFW profile with $f\delta = 200$ and $m_{B^{(1)}} = 800$ GeV; the dotted and dashed lines give, respectively, the background flux and the contribution from LKP annihilations alone. The data points are the same as those of Fig. 2; in addition, the detection prospects of PAMELA [48] and AMS-02 [49] are indicated by displaying their projected data after three years of operation (only statistical errors are included; error bars smaller than the symbol size are not shown). For AMS-02, only energies above 100 GeV are considered.

Bringmann, astro-ph/0506219v2



e^- \bar{p} e^+ p (He...)

Trigger, ToF, dE/dx

ANTICOINCIDENCE (CARD)

TOF (S2)

ANTICOINCIDENCE (CAT)

ANTICOINCIDENCE (CAS)

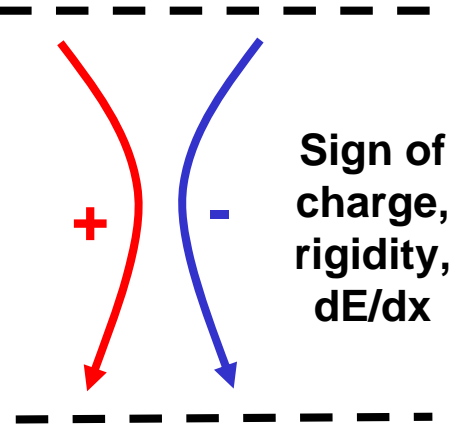
SPECTROMETER

TOF (S3)

CALORIMETER

S4

NEUTRON DETECTOR



Electron energy, dE/dx, lepton-hadron separation

Anticoincidence system reduces background.

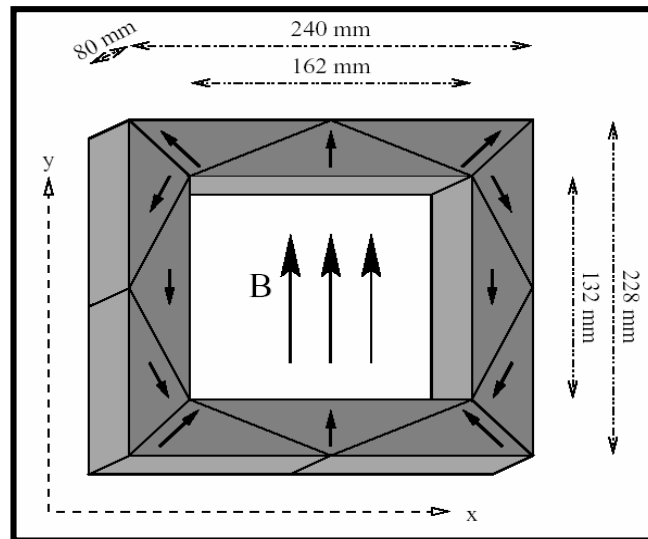
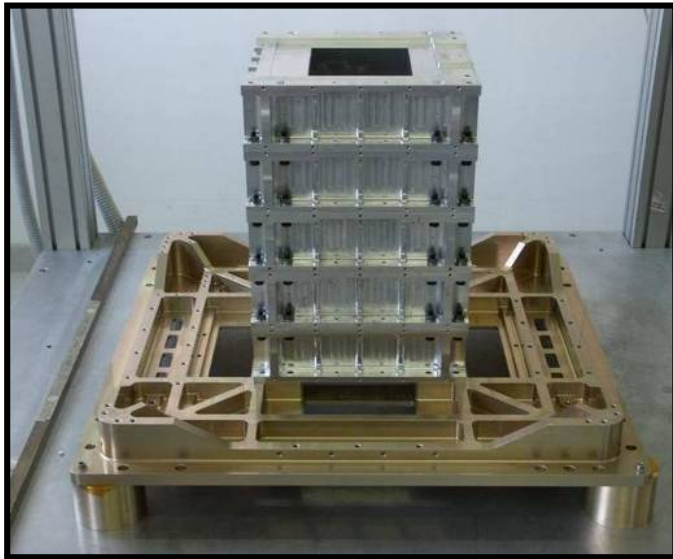
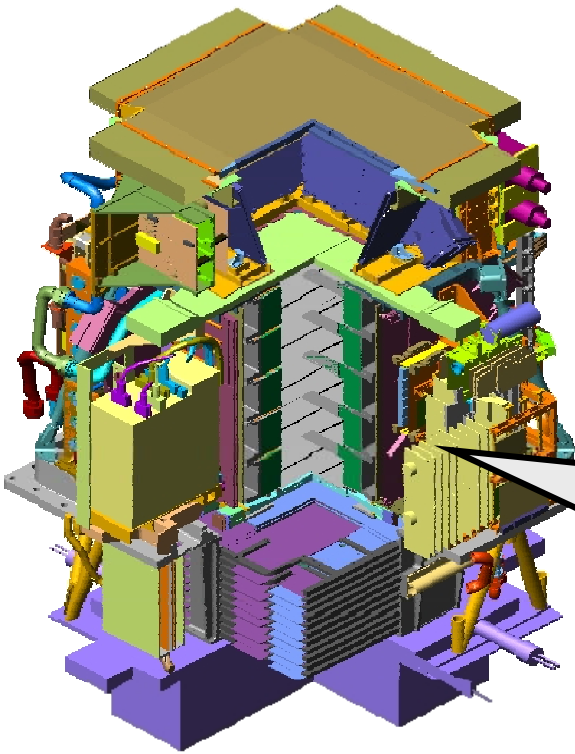
NB:

e^+/p : 10^3 (1 GeV) \rightarrow $5 \cdot 10^3$ (10 GeV)
 p'/e : $5 \cdot 10^3$ (1 GeV) \rightarrow $<10^2$ (10 GeV)

The magnet

Characteristics:

- 5 modules of permanent magnet (Nd-B-Fe alloy) in aluminum mechanics
- Cavity dimensions (162 x 132 x 445) cm³
→ **GF ~ 21.5 cm²sr**
- Magnetic shields
- 5mm-step field-map on ground:
 - **B=0.43 T (average along axis),**
 - **B=0.48 T (@center)**



The tracking system

Main tasks:

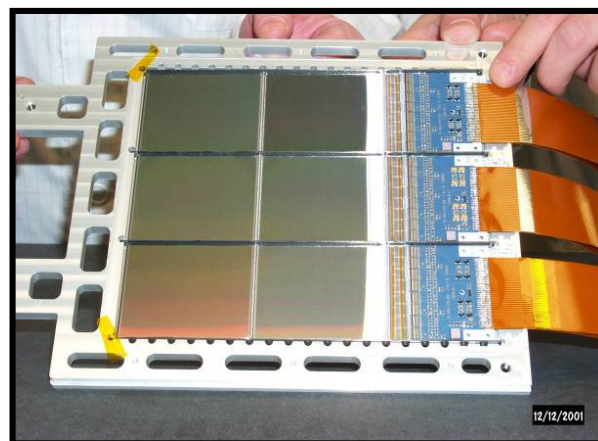
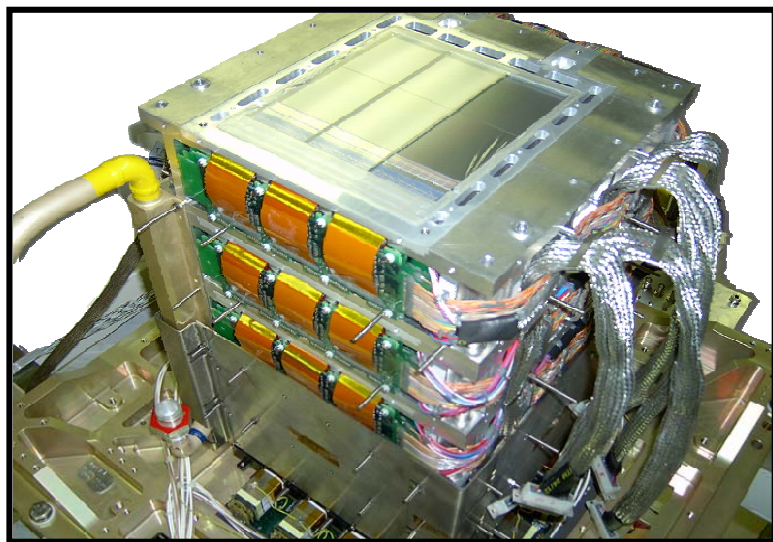
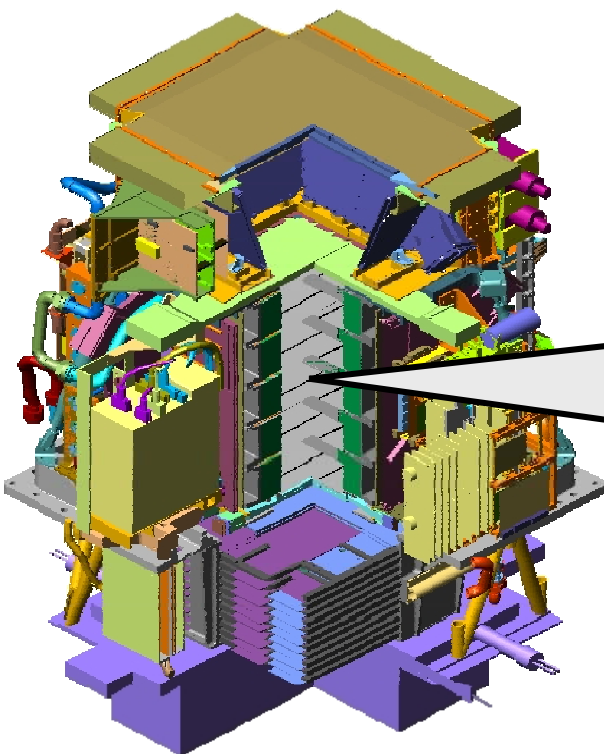
- Rigidity measurement
- Sign of electric charge
- dE/dx (ionisation loss)

Characteristics:

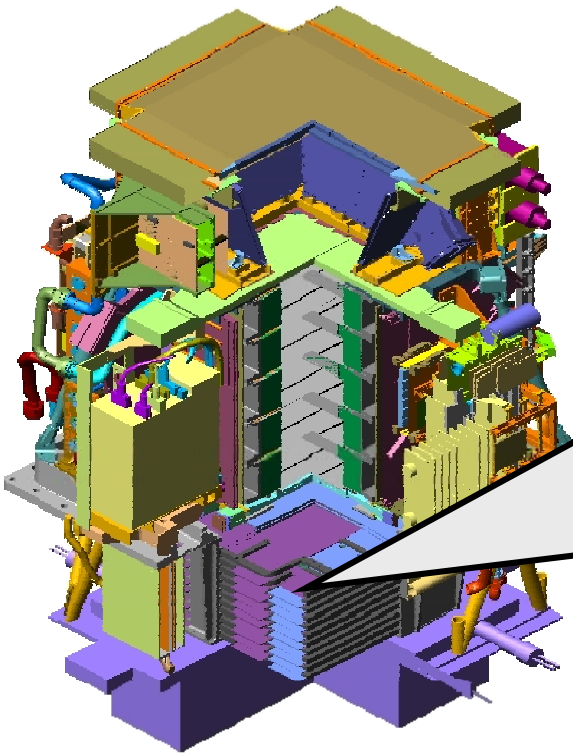
- 6 planes double-sided (x&y view) microstrip Si sensors
- 36864 channels
- Dynamic range: 10 MIP

Performance:

- Spatial resolution: $\sim 3 \mu\text{m}$ (bending view)
- MDR $\sim 1 \text{ TV/c}$ (from test beam data)



The electromagnetic calorimeter



Main tasks:

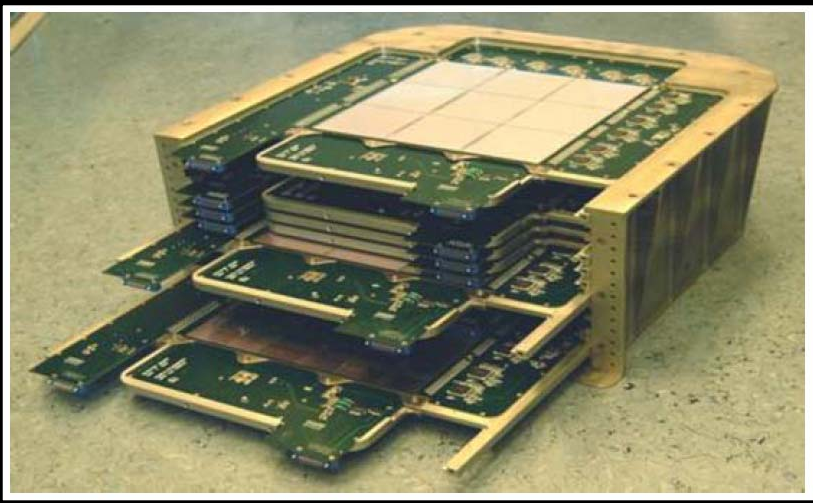
- lepton/hadron discrimination
- e^{\pm} energy measurement

Characteristics:

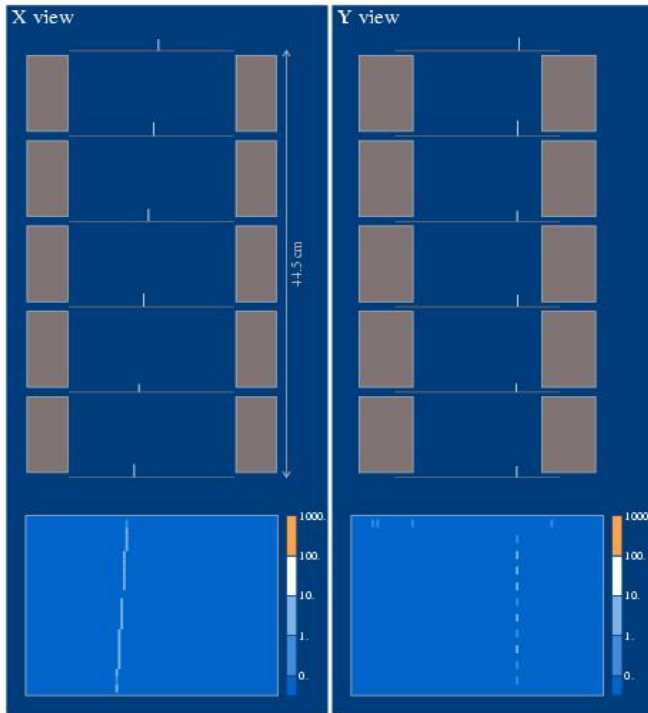
- 44 Si layers (X/Y) + 22 W planes
- $16.3 X_0 / 0.6 \lambda_L$
- 4224 channels
- Dynamic range: 1400 mip
- Self-trigger mode (> 300 GeV; $GF \sim 600$ cm² sr)

Performance:

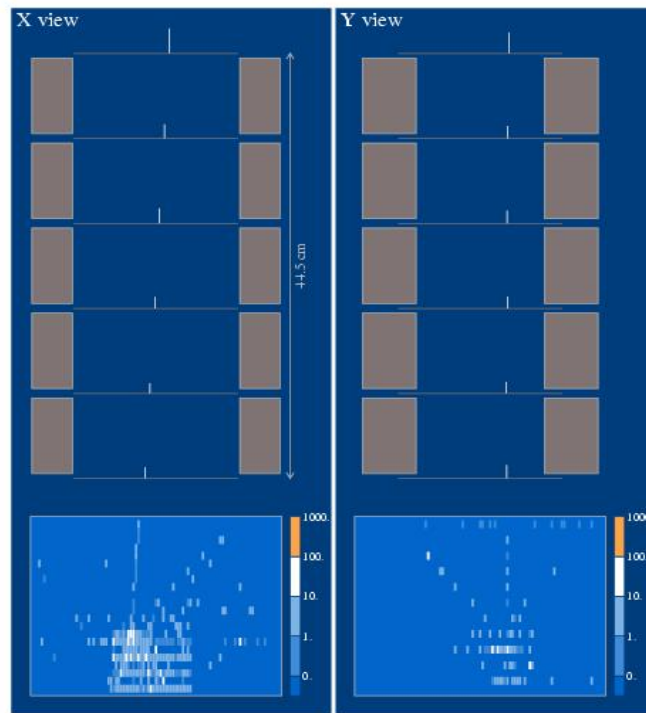
- p/e^+ selection efficiency $\sim 90\%$
- p rejection factor $\sim 10^6$
- e rejection factor $> 10^4$
- **Energy resolution $\sim 5\%$ @ 200 GeV**



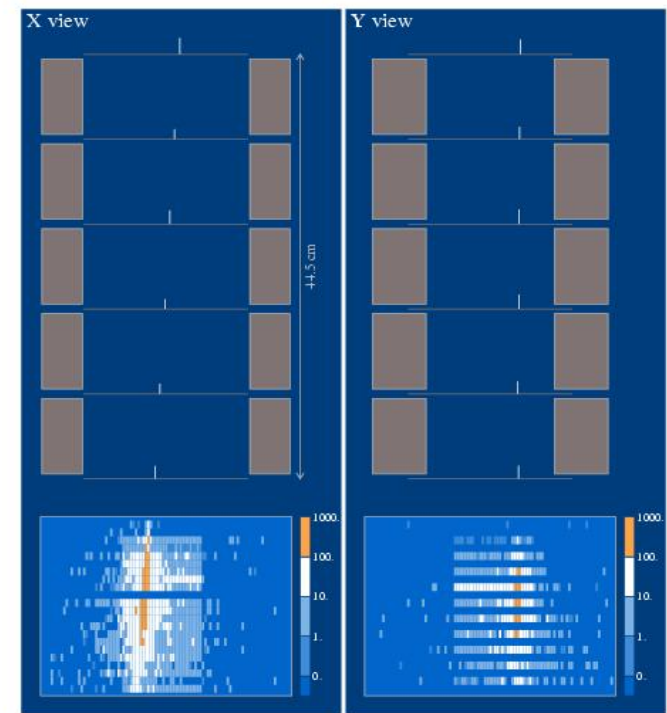
Combined tracker + calorimeter performance



Non-interacting p 100 GeV/c



Interacting p 100 GeV/c



Interacting e⁻ 100 GeV/c

(CERN SpS testbeam 2003)

The time-of-flight system

Main tasks:

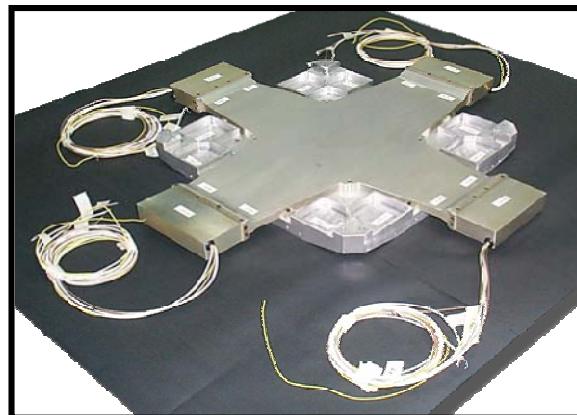
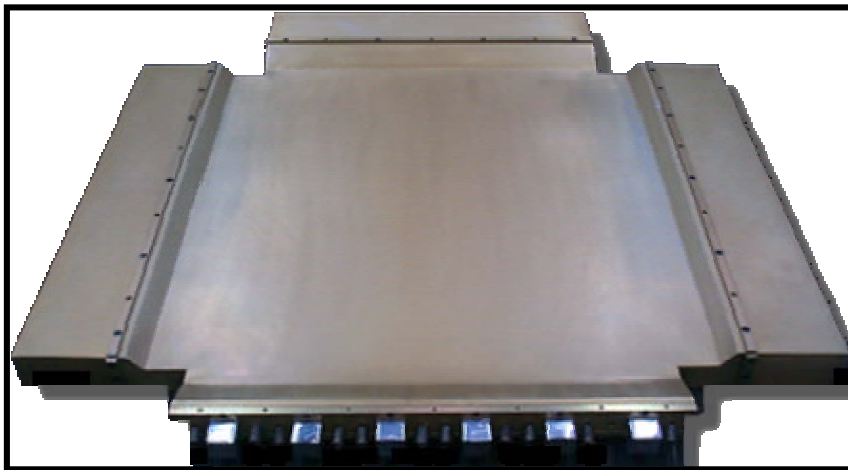
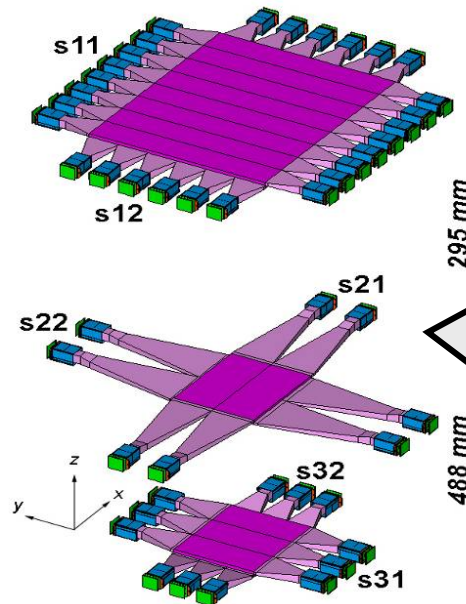
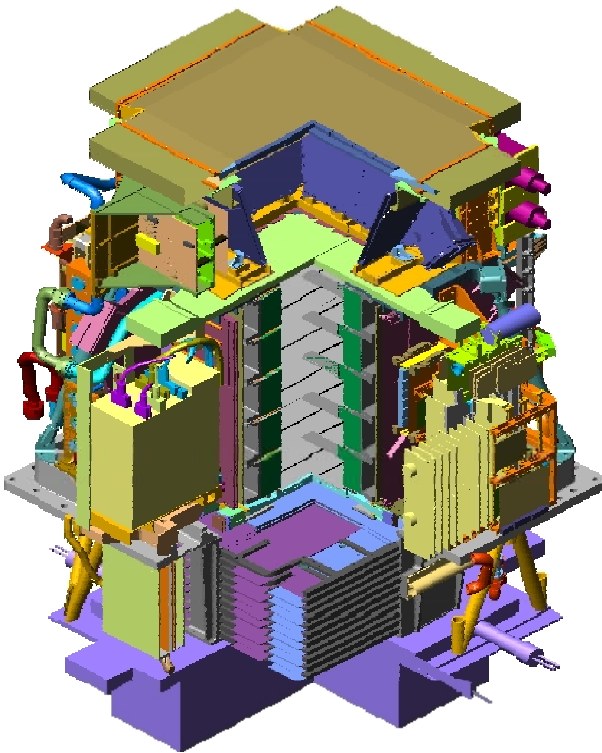
- First-level trigger
- Albedo rejection
- dE/dx (ionisation losses)
- Time of flight particle identification ($<1\text{GeV}/c$)

Characteristics:

- 3 double-layer scintillator paddles
- X/Y segmentation
- Total: 48 channels

Performance:

- $\sigma(\text{paddle}) \sim 110\text{ps}$
- $\sigma(\text{ToF}) \sim 330\text{ps}$ (for MIPs)



The anticounter shields

Main tasks:

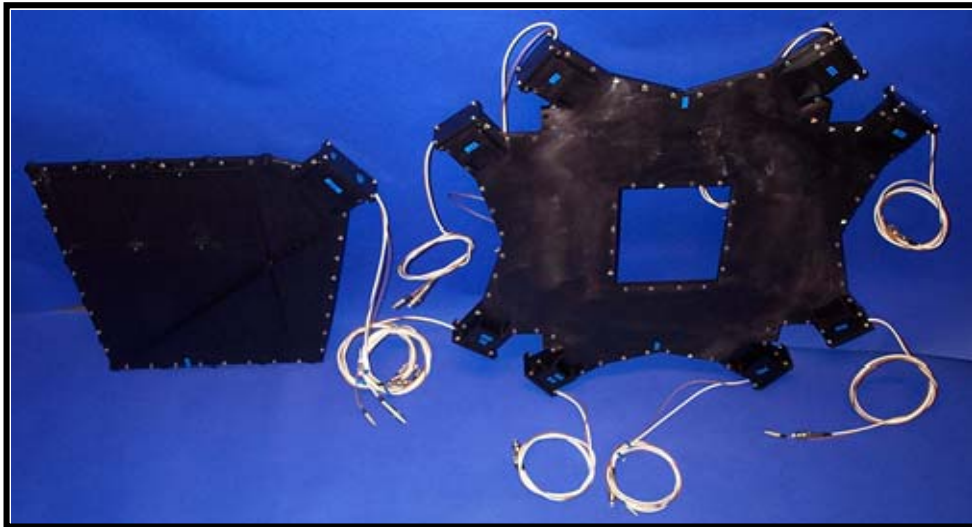
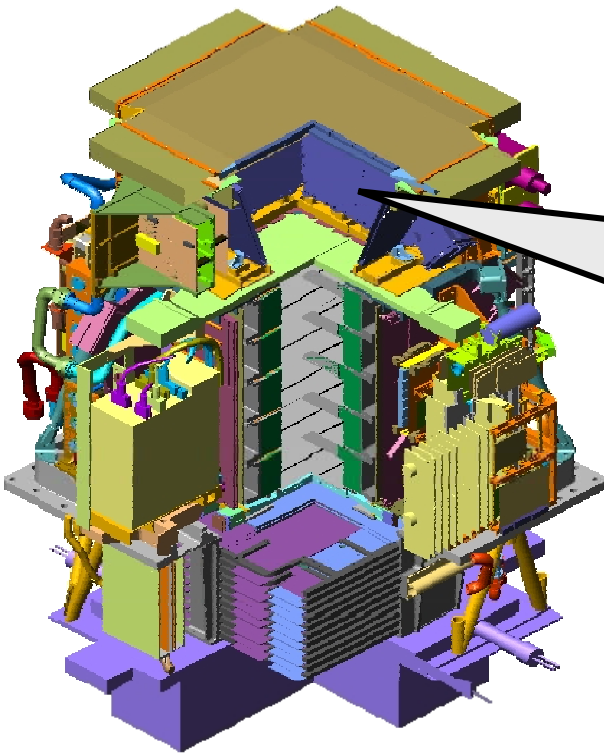
- **Rejection of events with particles interacting with the apparatus** (off-line and second-level trigger)

Characteristics:

- **Plastic scintillator paddles, 8mm thick**
- 4 upper (CARD), 1 top (CAT), 4 side (CAS)

Performance:

- MIP efficiency > 99.9%



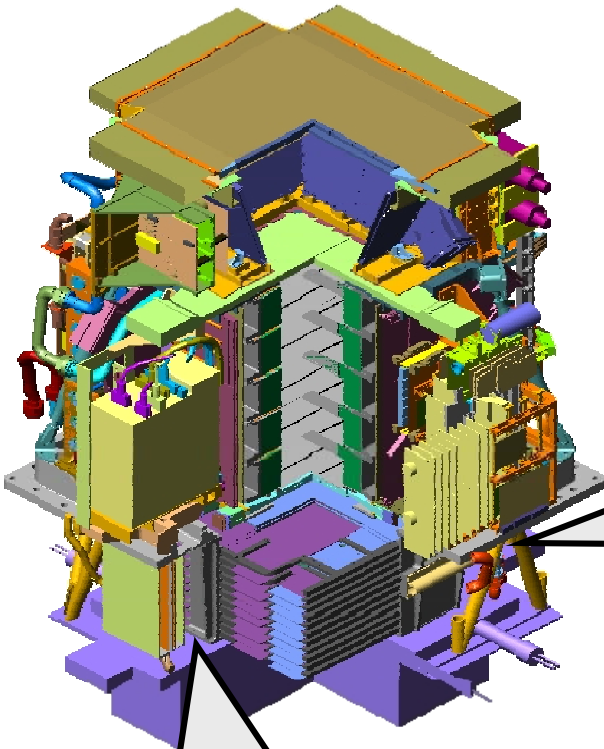
Neutron detector

Main tasks:

- e/h discrimination at high-energy

Characteristics:

- **36 ^3He counters:**
 $^3\text{He}(n,p)\text{T} \rightarrow E_p=780 \text{ keV}$
- 1cm thick polyethylene + Cd moderators
- n collected within 200 μs time-window



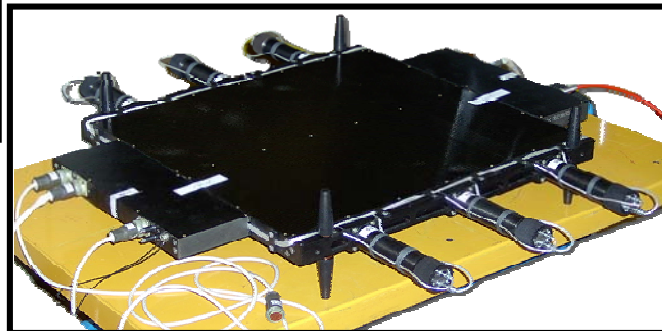
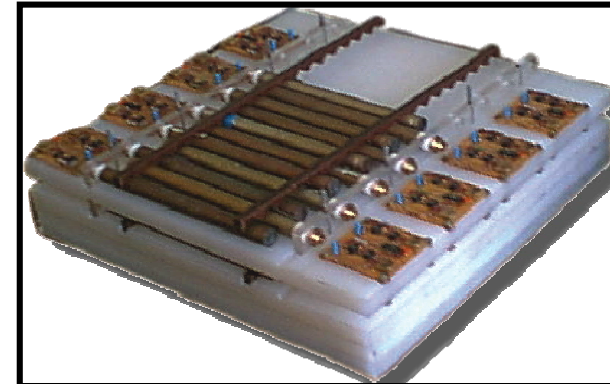
Main tasks:

- Neutron Detector trigger

Characteristics:

- Plastic scintillator paddle, 1 cm thick

Shower-tail catcher



Design performance

	Energy range	Particles/3 years
Antiproton flux	80 MeV - 190 GeV	$>3 \times 10^4$
Positron flux	50 MeV - 270 GeV	$>3 \times 10^5$
Electron flux	up to 400 GeV	6×10^6
Proton flux	up to 700 GeV	3×10^8
Electron/positron flux	up to 2 TeV (from calorimeter)	
Light nuclei (up to Z=6)	up to 200 GeV/n He/Be/C:	$4 \times 10^{7/4/5}$
Antinuclei search	Sensitivity of 3×10^{-8} in He-bar/He	

Magnetic curvature (trigger) → Energy range
 'Spillover' → Energy range
 EM shower containment → Energy range
 Maximum Detectable Rigidity (MDR) → Energy range

→ Unprecedented statistics and new energy range for cosmic ray physics

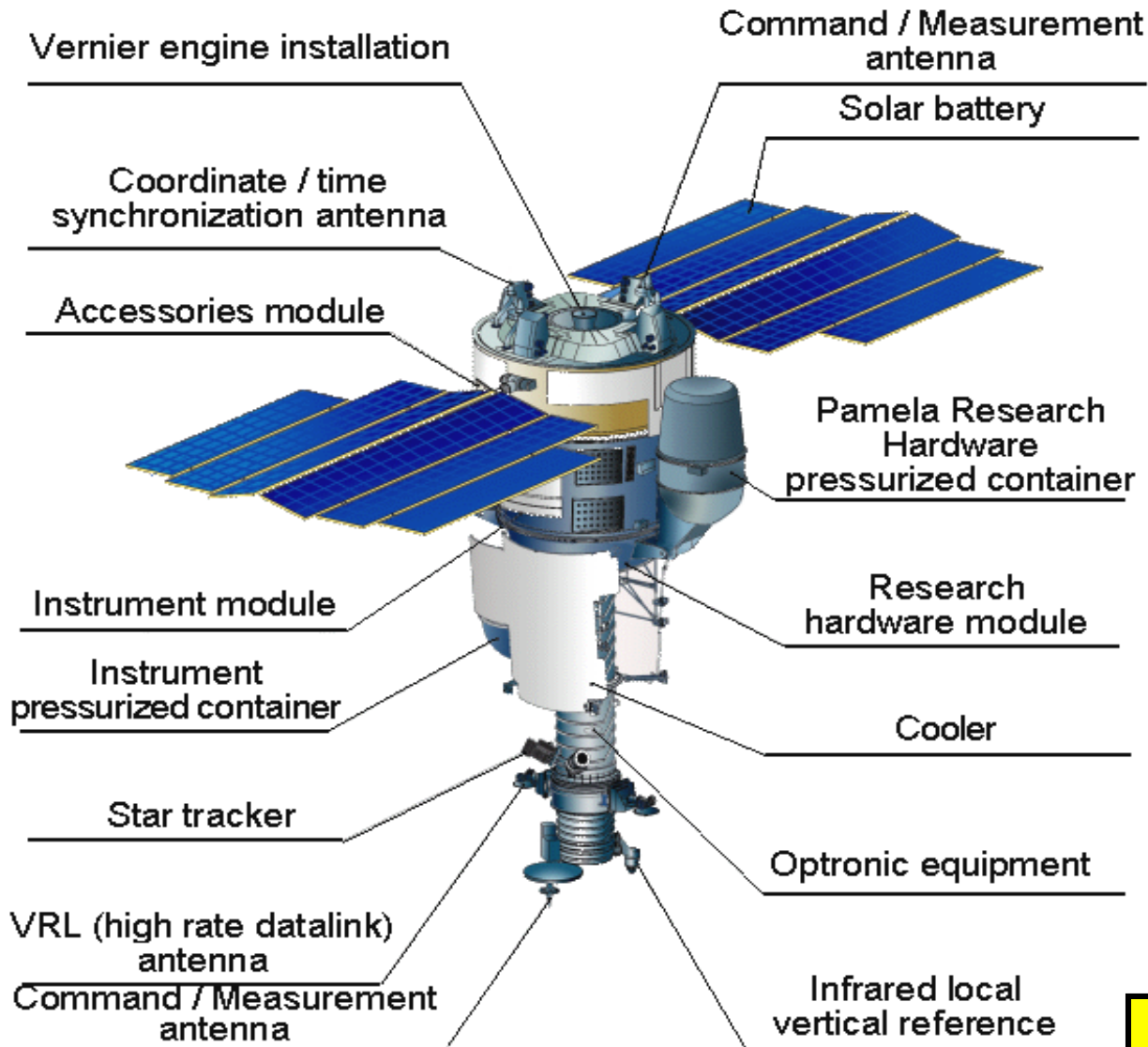
→ e.g. contemporary antiproton & positron energy, $E_{\max} \approx 40$ GeV

→ Simultaneous measurements of many species – constrains secondary production models

1 HEAT-PBAR flight ~ 22.4 days PAMELA data
 1 CAPRICE98 flight ~ 3.9 days PAMELA data

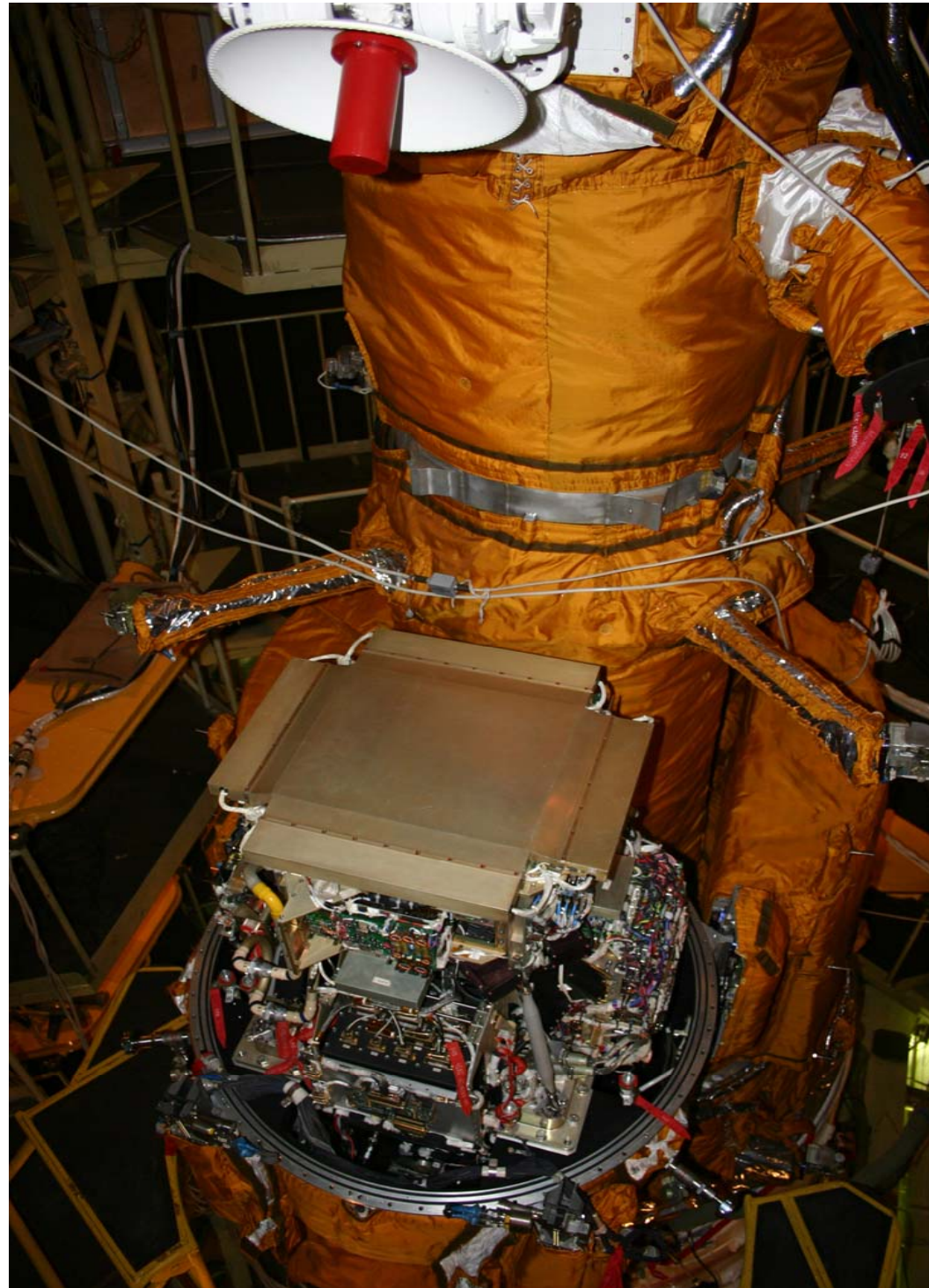
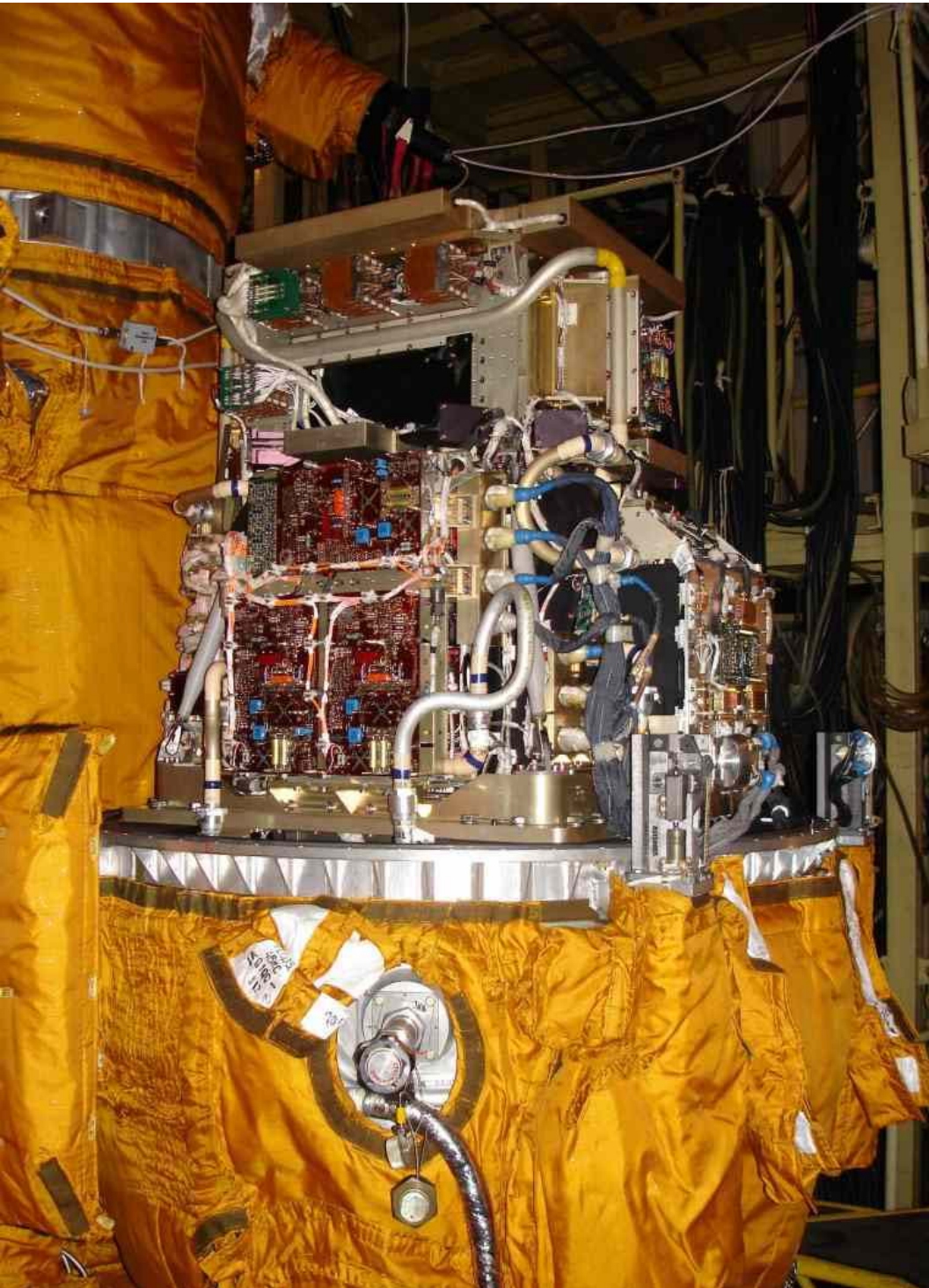


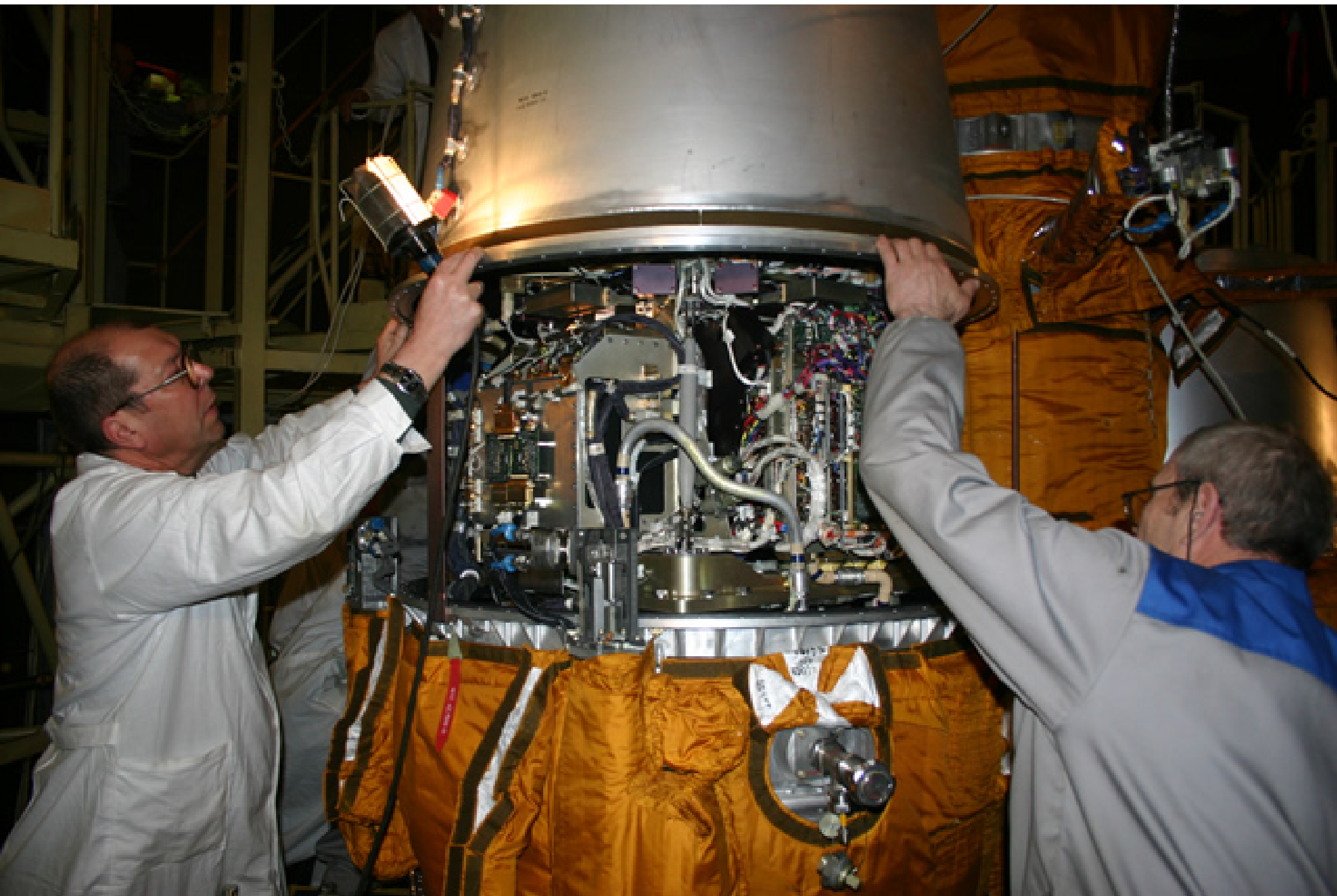
Resurs-DK1 Satellite



- Main task: multi-spectral remote sensing of earth's surface
- Built by TsSKB Progress in Samara (Russia)
- Lifetime >3 years (assisted)
- Data transmitted to ground via radio downlink
- PAMELA mounted inside a pressurized container

Mass: 6.7 tonnes
Height: 7.4 m
Solar array area: 36 m²





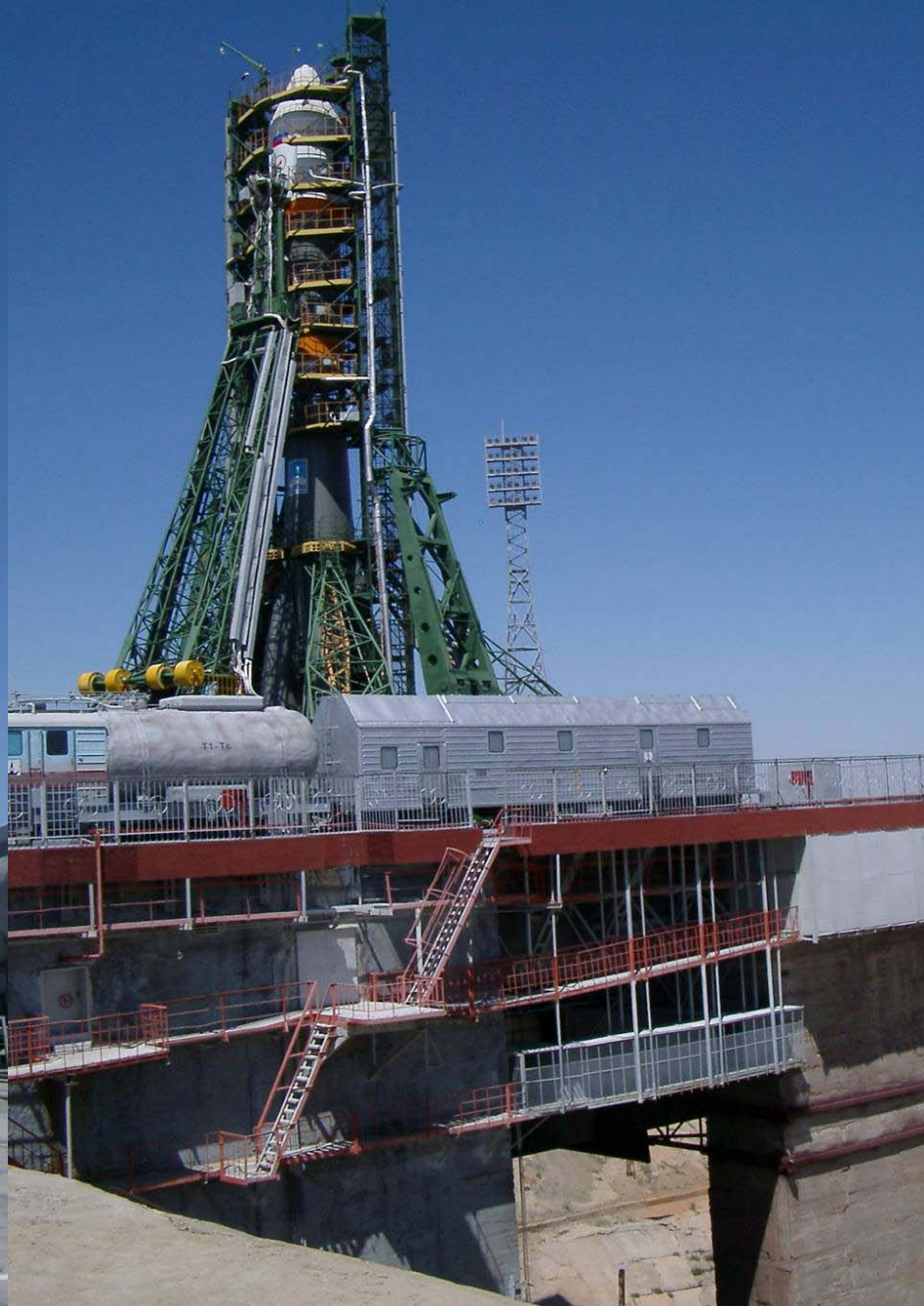




ГАГАРИНСКИЙ
СТАРТ

Gagarin - 12th April 1961

T - 1 day



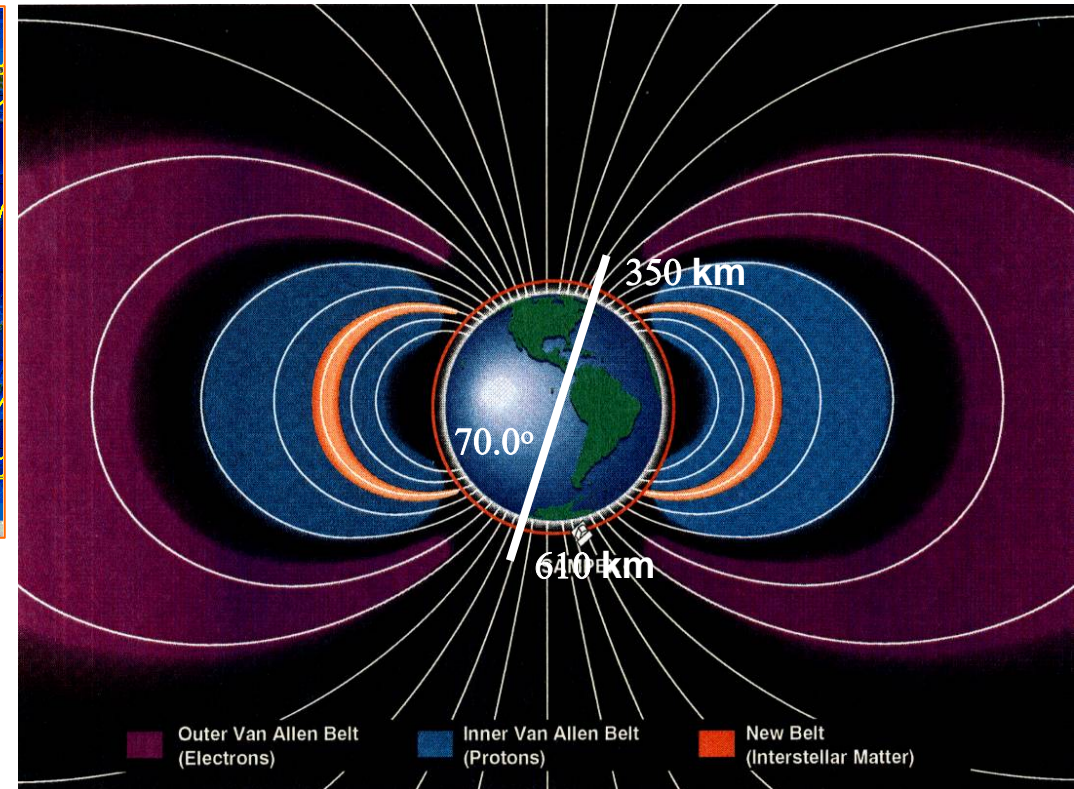
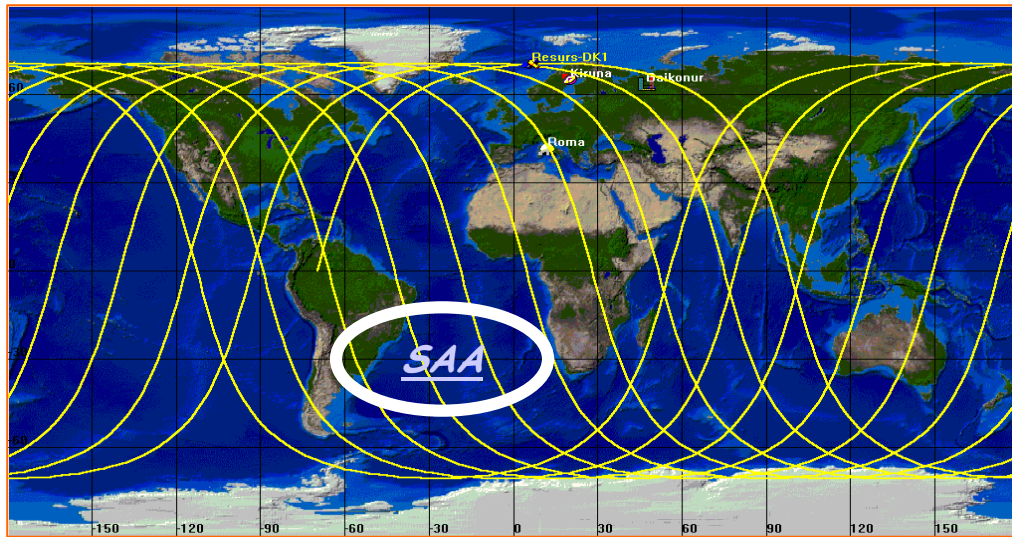
Launch: 15th June 2006, 0800 UTC



PAMELA milestones

- **Launch from Baikonur:** June 15th 2006, 0800 UTC.
- **'First light':** June 21st 2006, 0300 UTC.
- Detectors operated as expected after launch
- Different trigger and hardware configurations evaluated
- **PAMELA in continuous data-taking mode since commissioning phase ended on July 11th 2006**
- **As of ~now:**
 - > 300 days of data taking (70% live-time)
 - ~5.5 TByte of raw data downlinked
 - ~610 million triggers recorded and under analysis

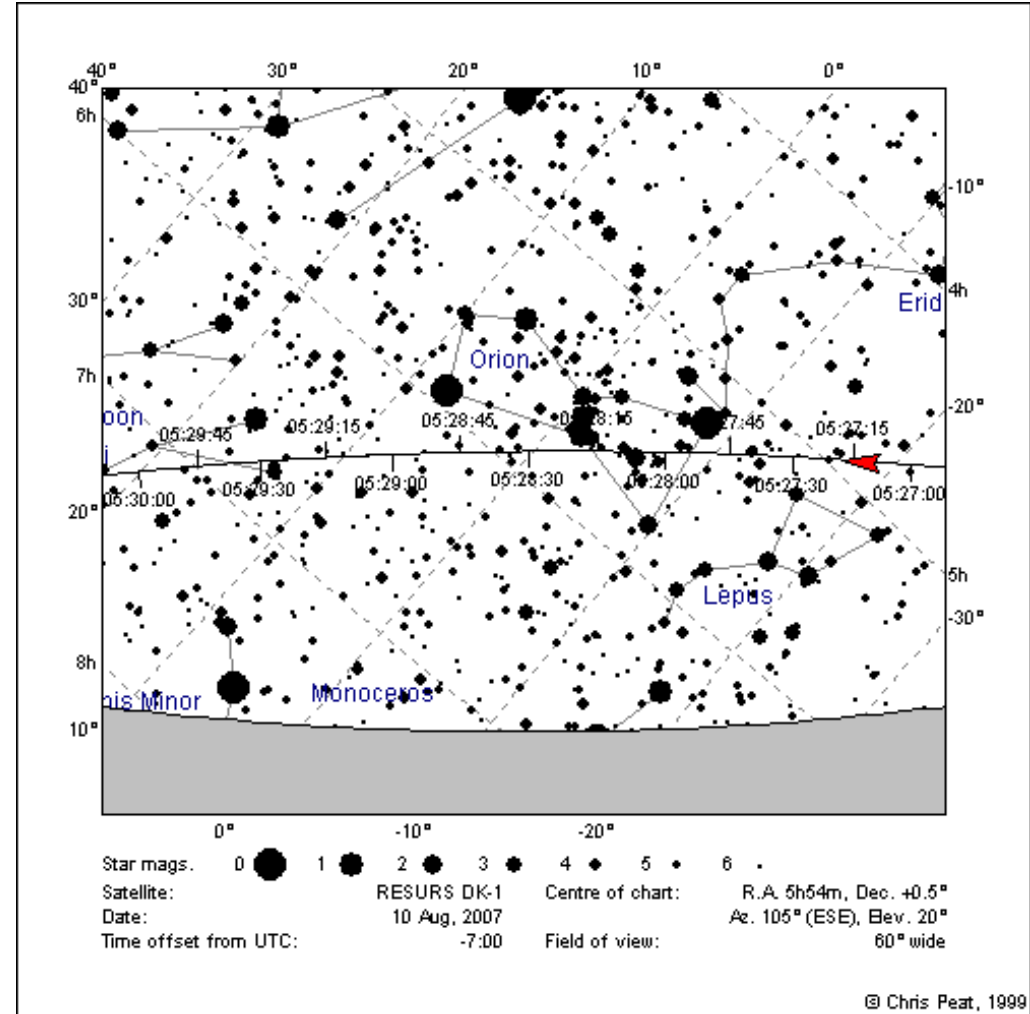
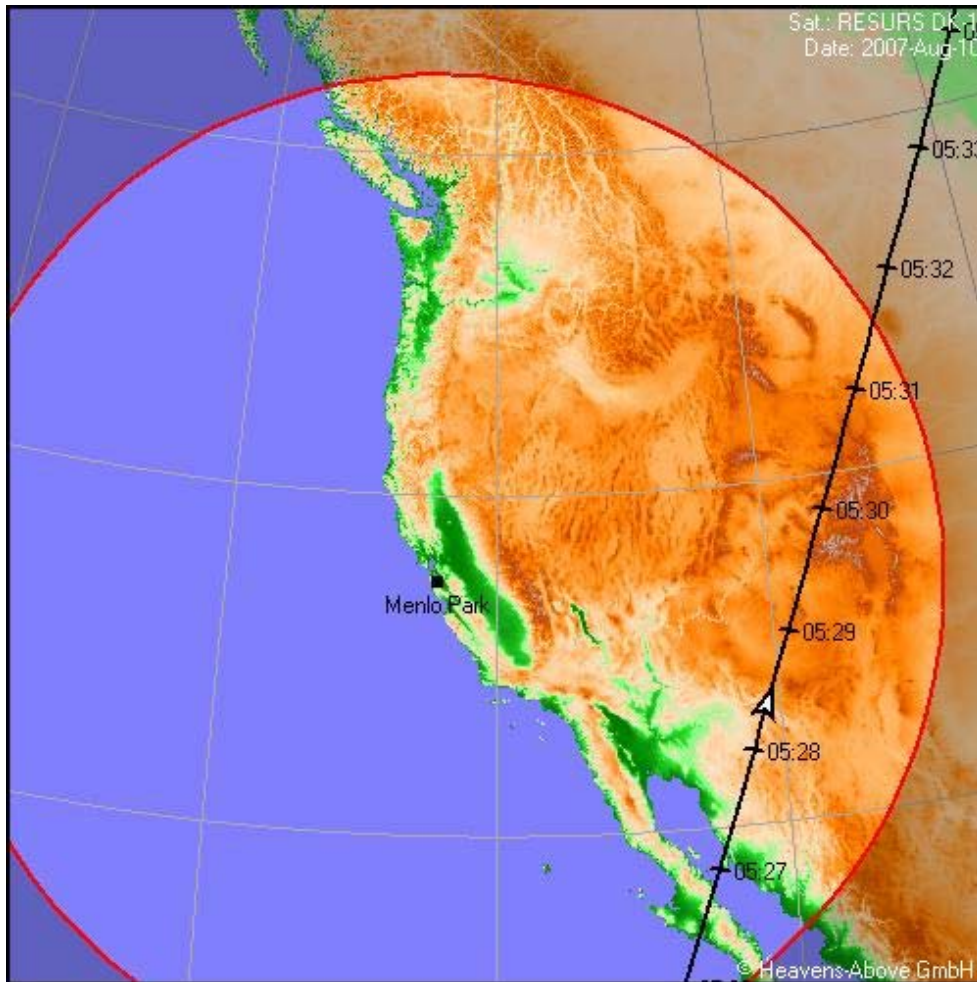
Orbit characteristics



- Quasi-polar (70.0°)
- Elliptical (350 km - 600 km)
- PAMELA traverses the South Atlantic Anomaly
- At the South Pole PAMELA crosses the outer (electron) Van Allen belt
- Data downlinked to Moscow. ~15 GByte per day (2-3 sessions)

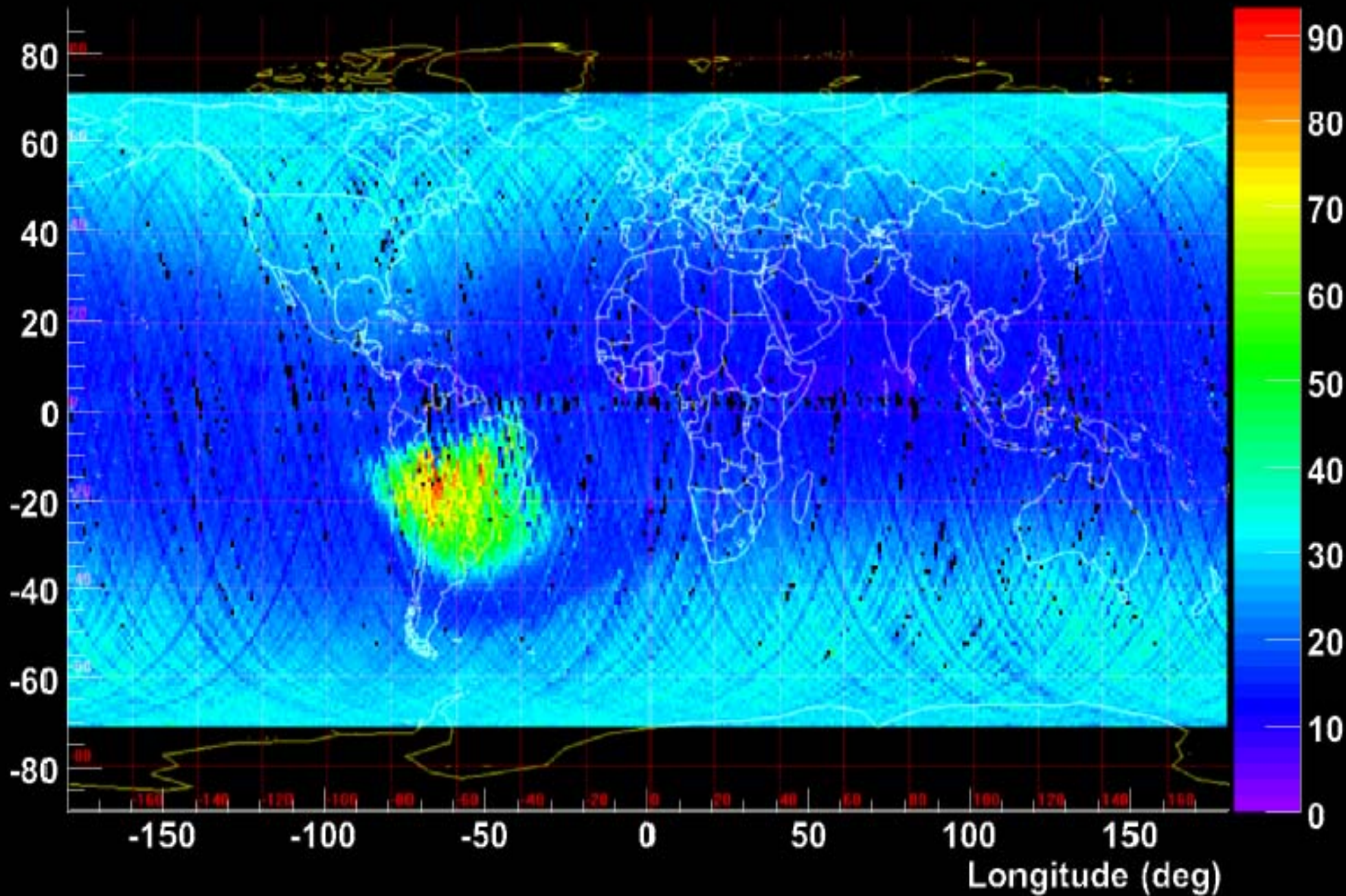
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Next visible pass: Friday August 10th / ~0530

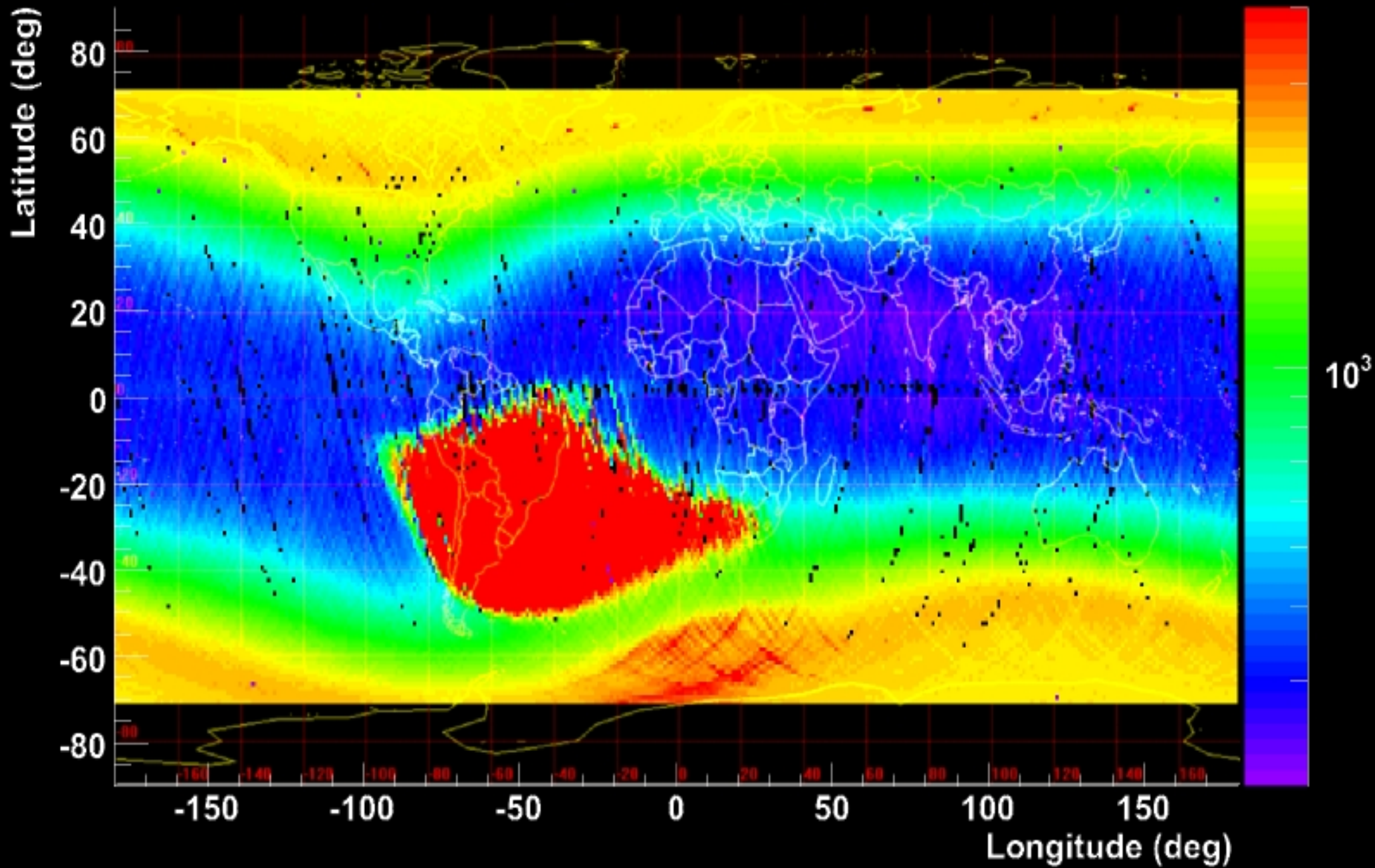


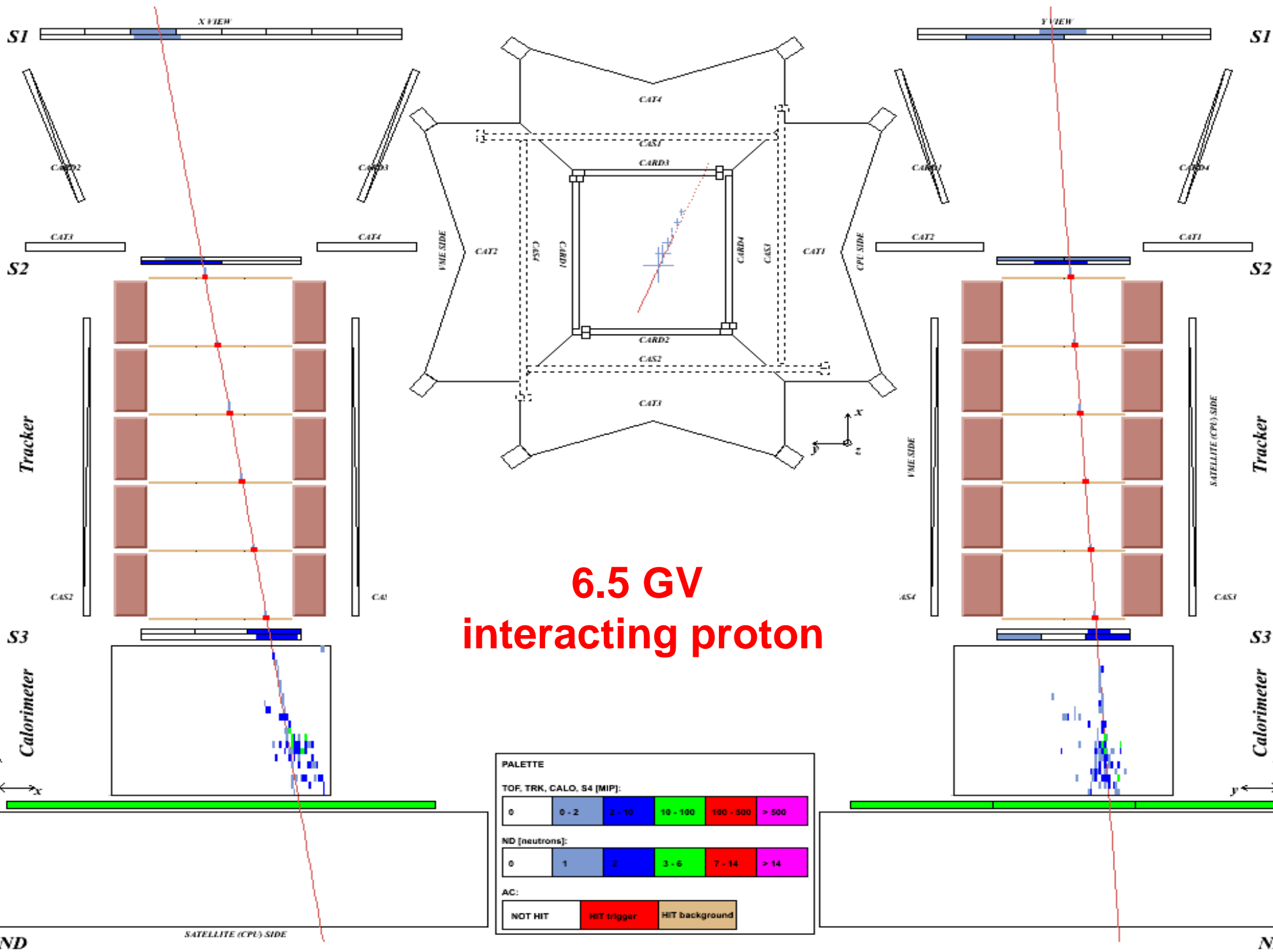
$(S_{11}+S_{12}) \cdot (S_{21}+S_{22}) \cdot (S_{31}+S_{32})$ [hit/time]

Latitude (deg)



(S11*S12) [hit/time]

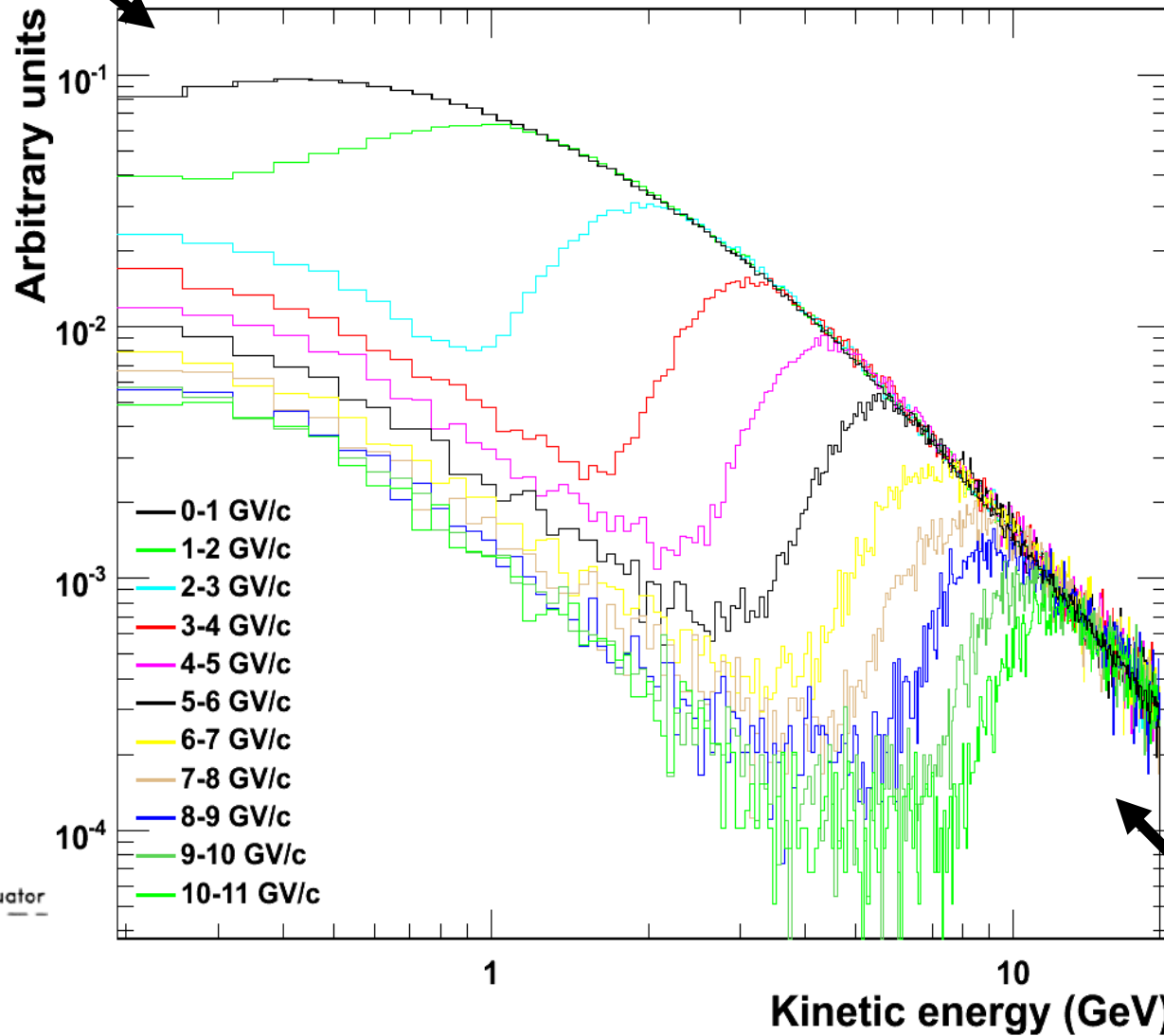




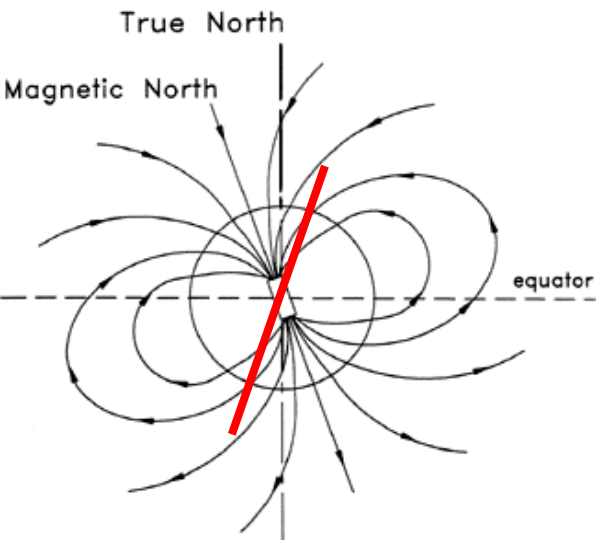
Preliminary !!!

Polar regions

p spectra @ different cut-off rigidities

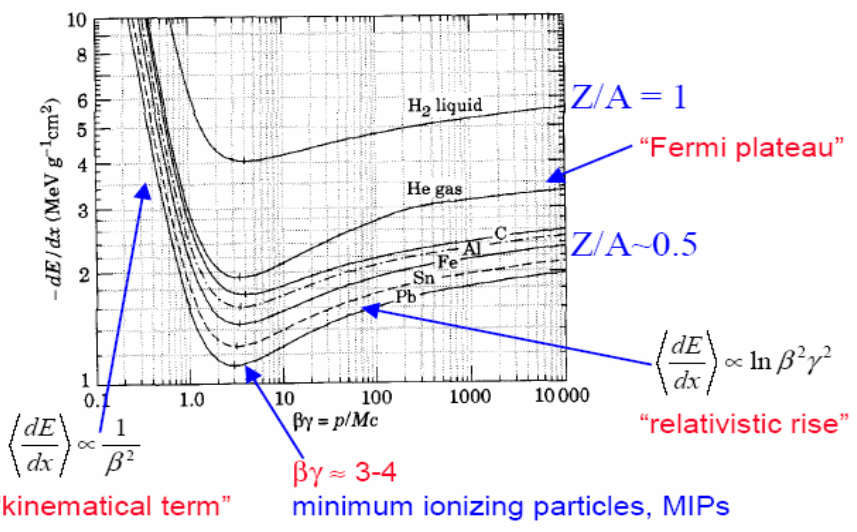


Equatorial regions

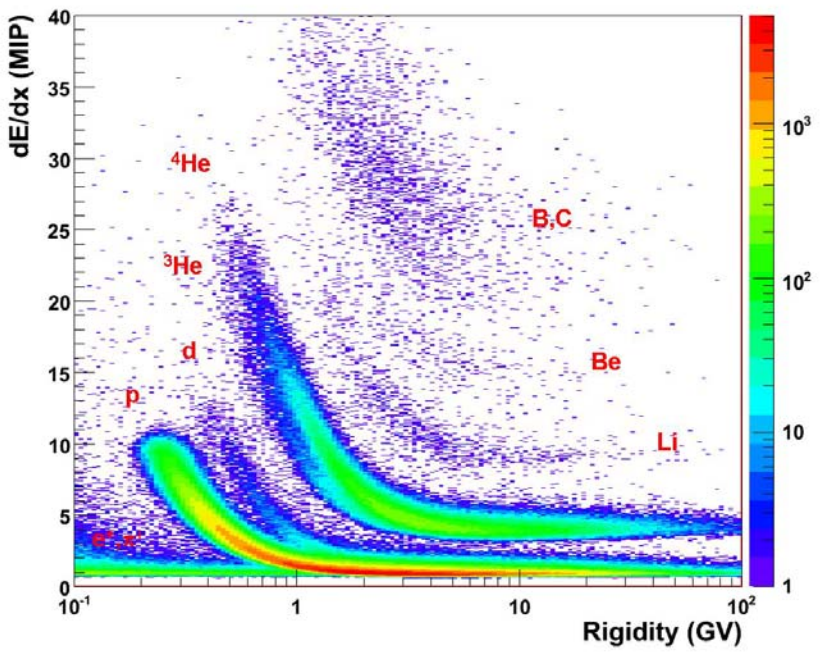
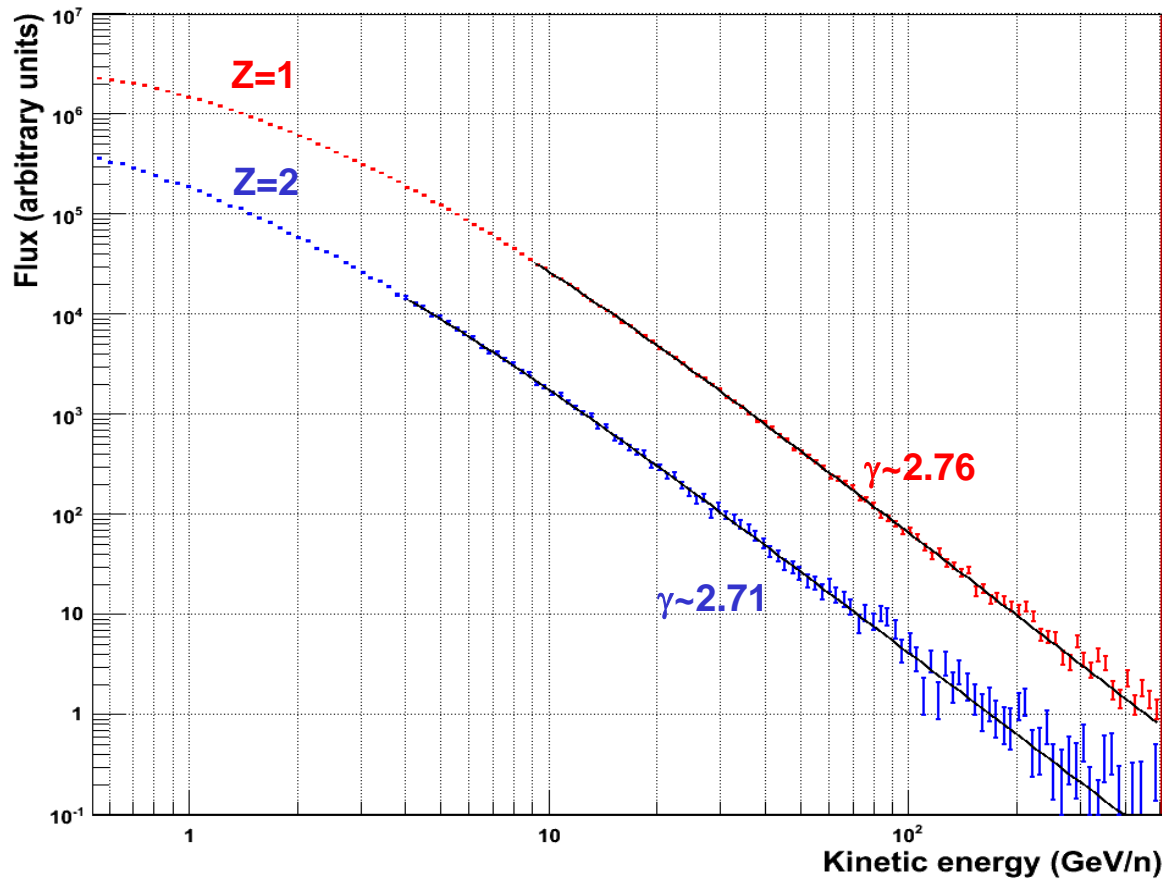


Preliminary !!!

$dE/dx \sim Z^2$

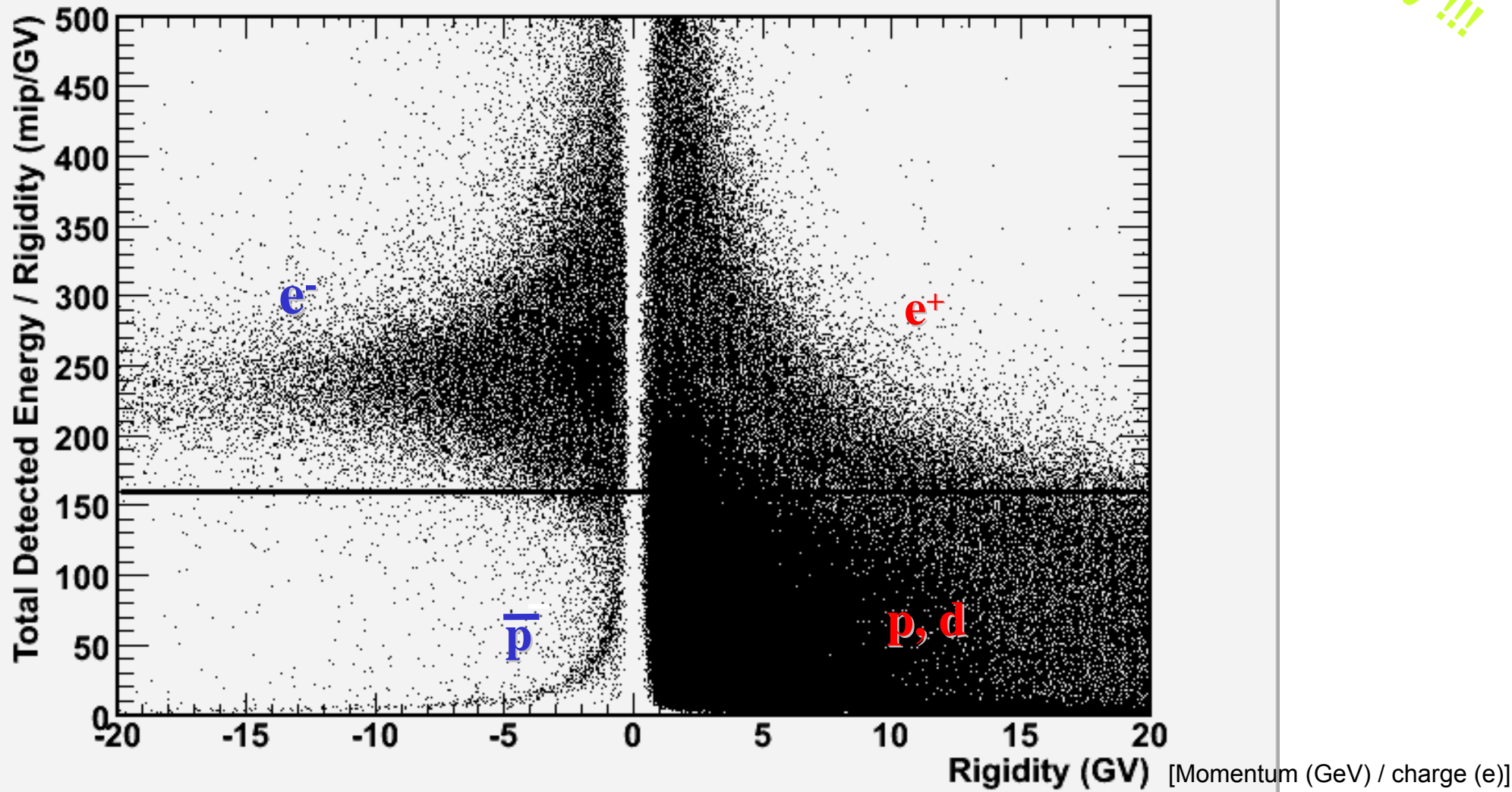


Galactic p and He spectra



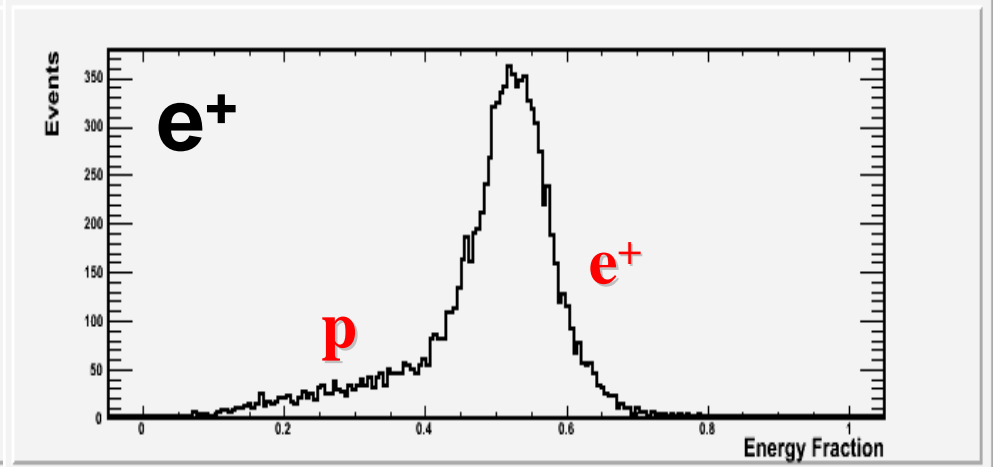
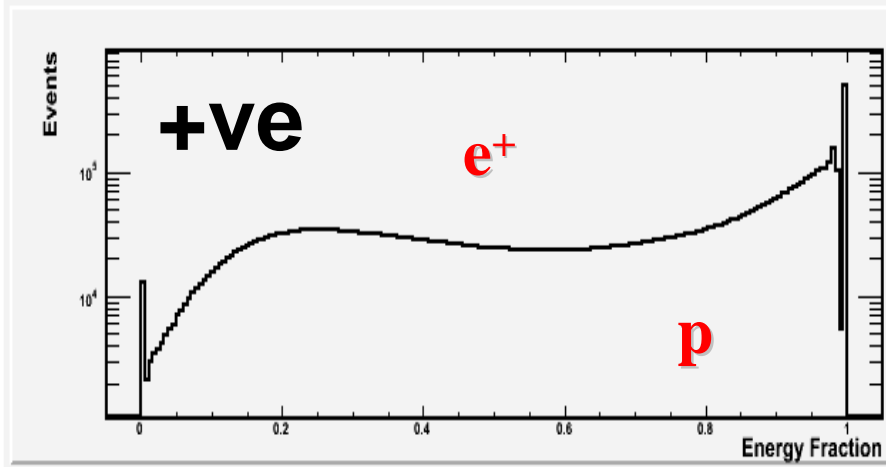
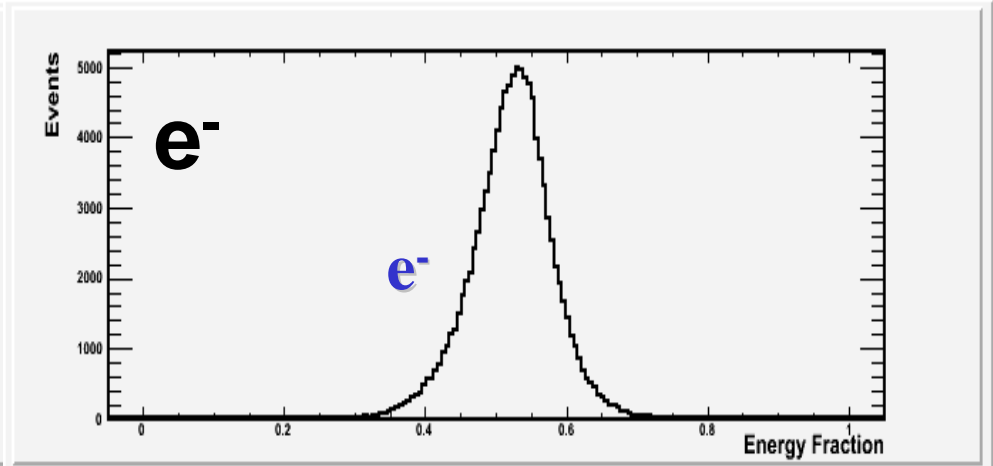
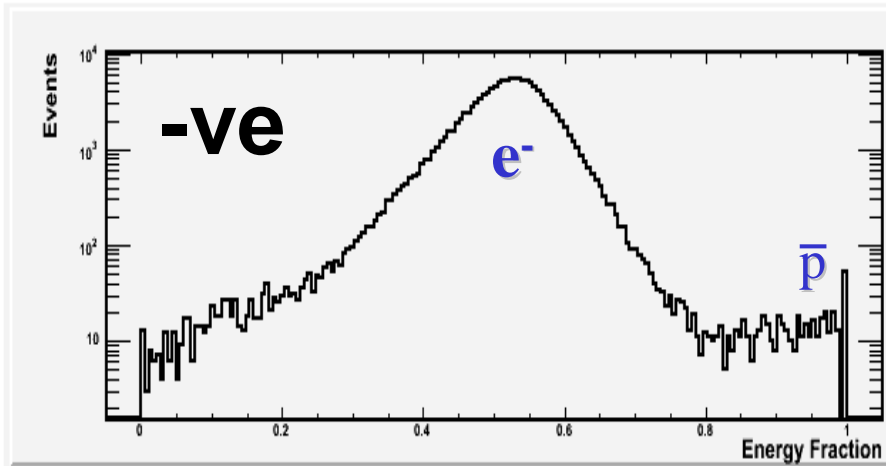
Antiparticle selection

Preliminary !!!



Positron selection with calorimeter

$\sim R_m \Rightarrow 50\%$



Fraction of charge released along the calorimeter track (left, hit, right)

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Example calorimeter selection criteria:

- Total energy release
- Longitudinal and lateral shower development
- Shower topology
- ...

Preliminary !!!

**18 GV
non-interacting anti-proton**

PALETTE

TOF, TRK, CALO, S4 [MIP]:

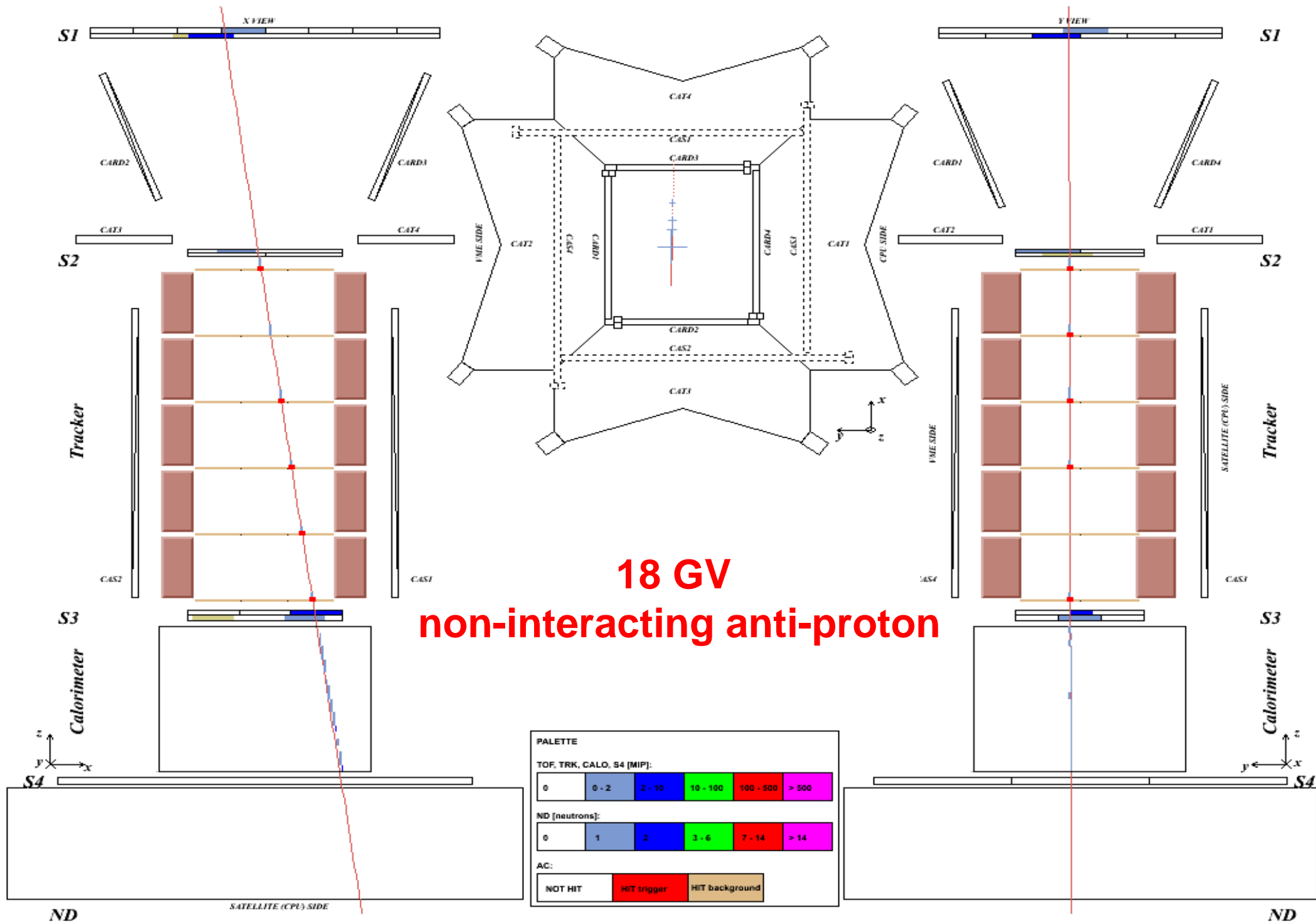
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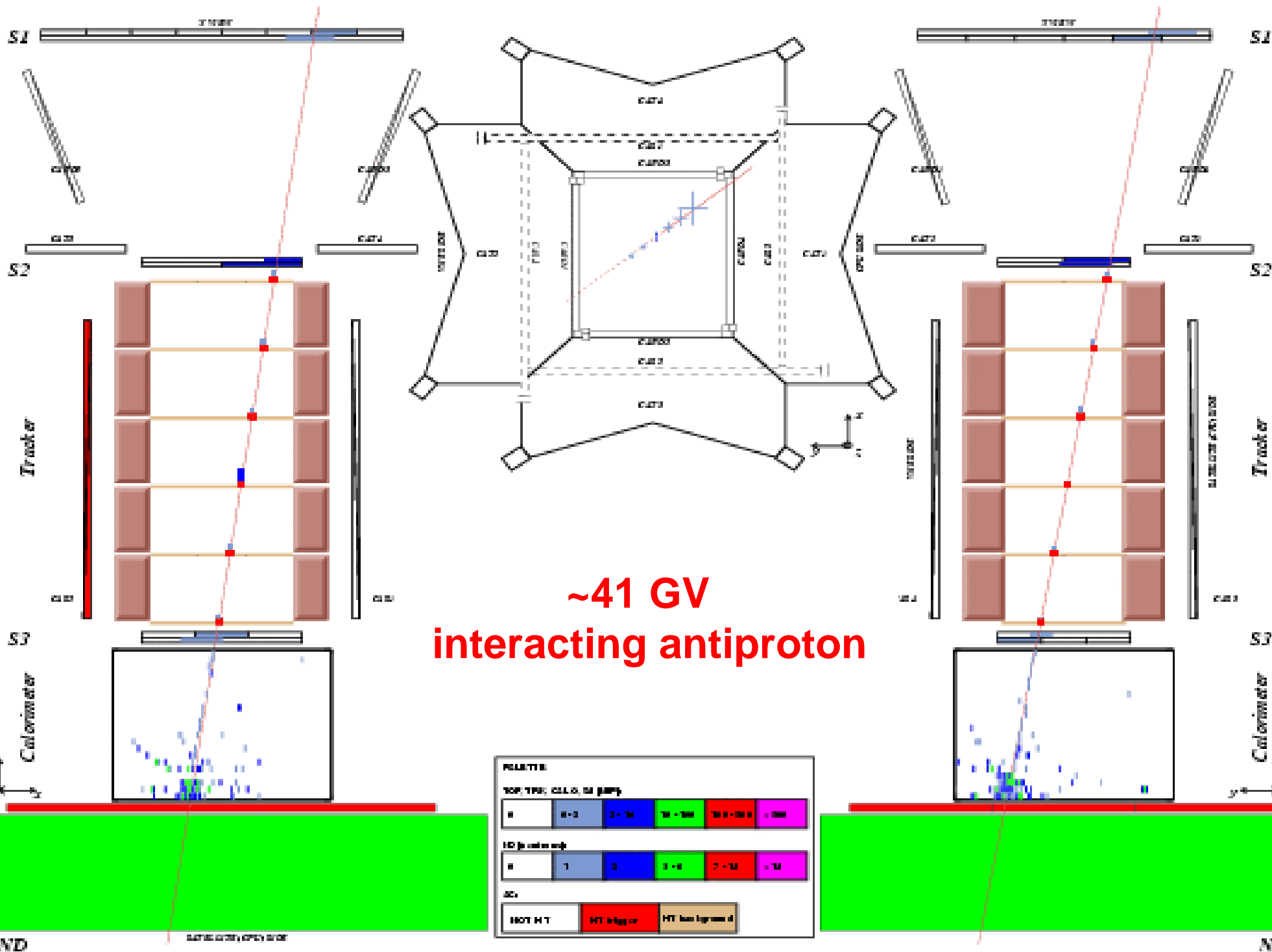
ND [neutrons]:

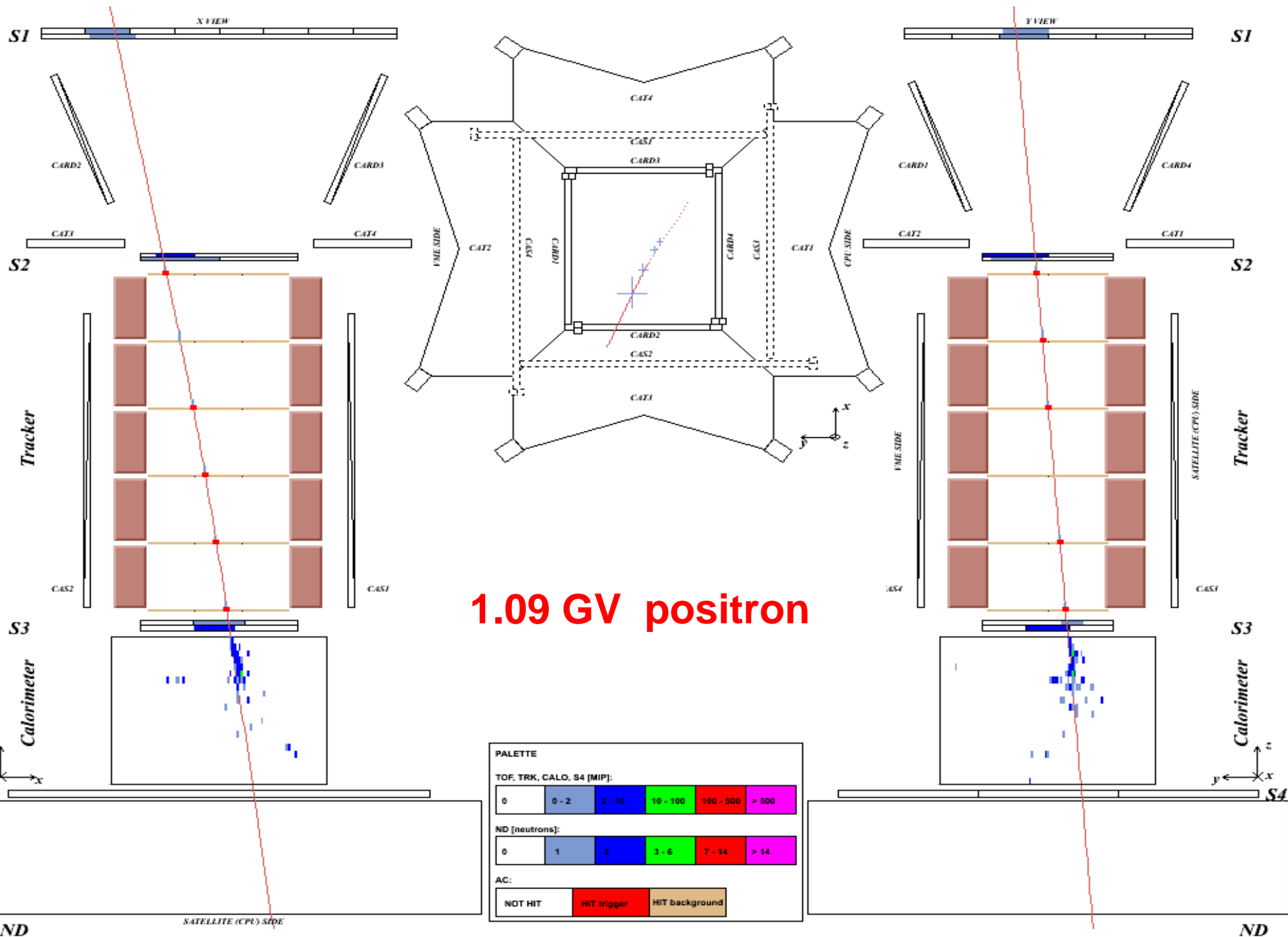
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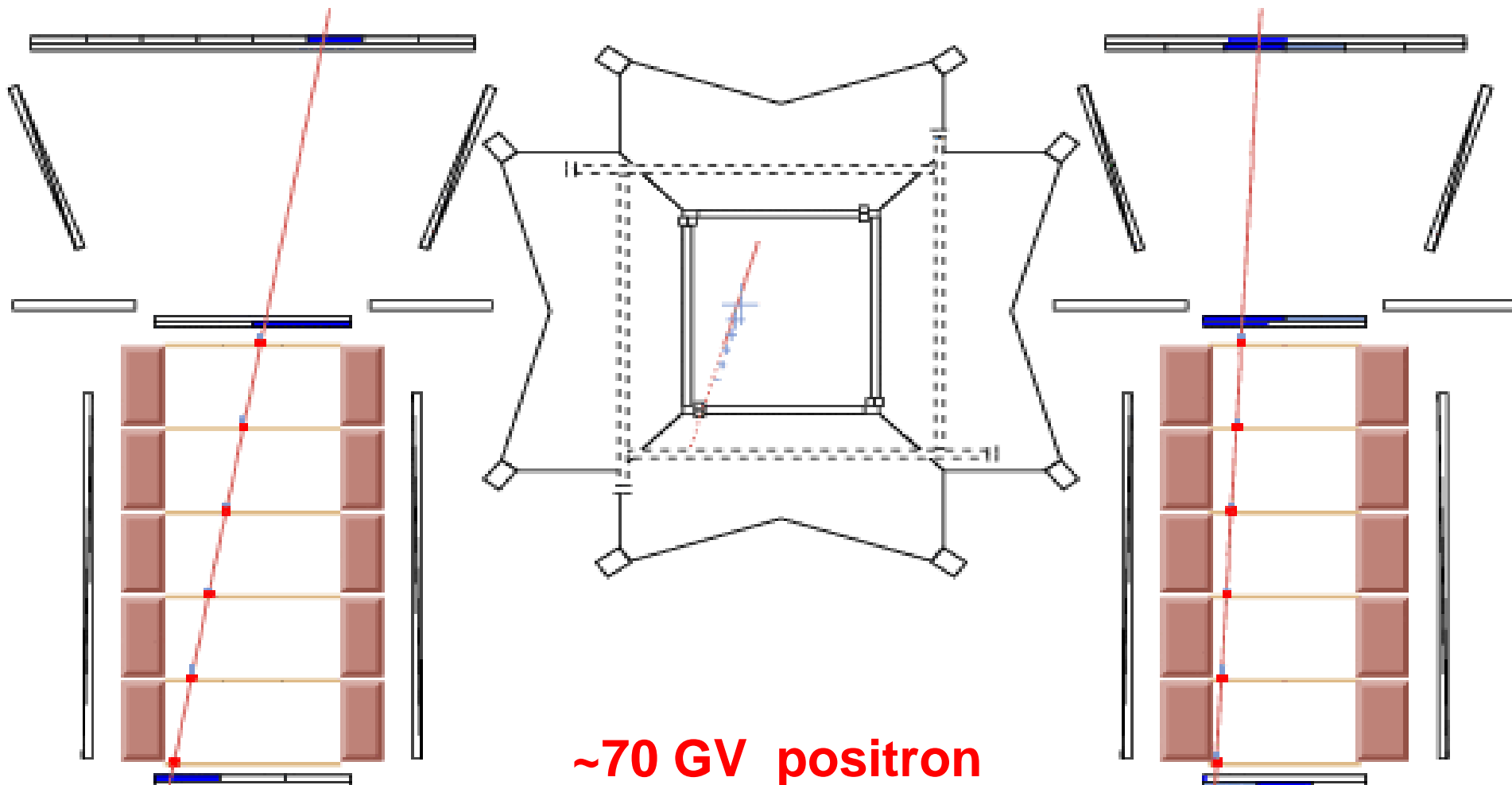
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NOT HIT	HIT trigger	HIT background
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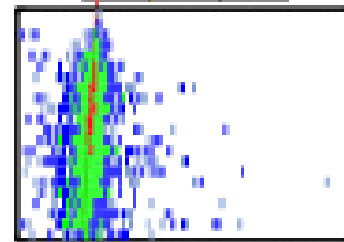
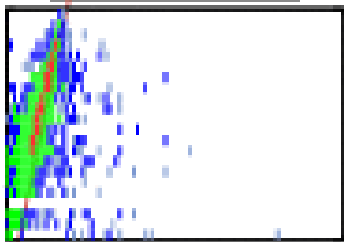








~70 GeV positron



PARAMETER

TOP TRIP: COLLO. TO pump

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HC (p. values only)

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Summary

- **PAMELA** is conducting an indirect search for dark matter using antiparticles (e^+ , p -bar) in the cosmic radiation.
- Launched on June 15th 2006. **PAMELA** has been in continuous data taking mode since 11th July 2006. ~5.5 TB of data downlinked, to date.
- **Data analysis is on-going.** First science results (probably antiparticle flux ratios) should appear before the end of this year.



The PAMELA Collaboration

Italy:



Bari



Florence



Frascati



Naples



Rome



Trieste

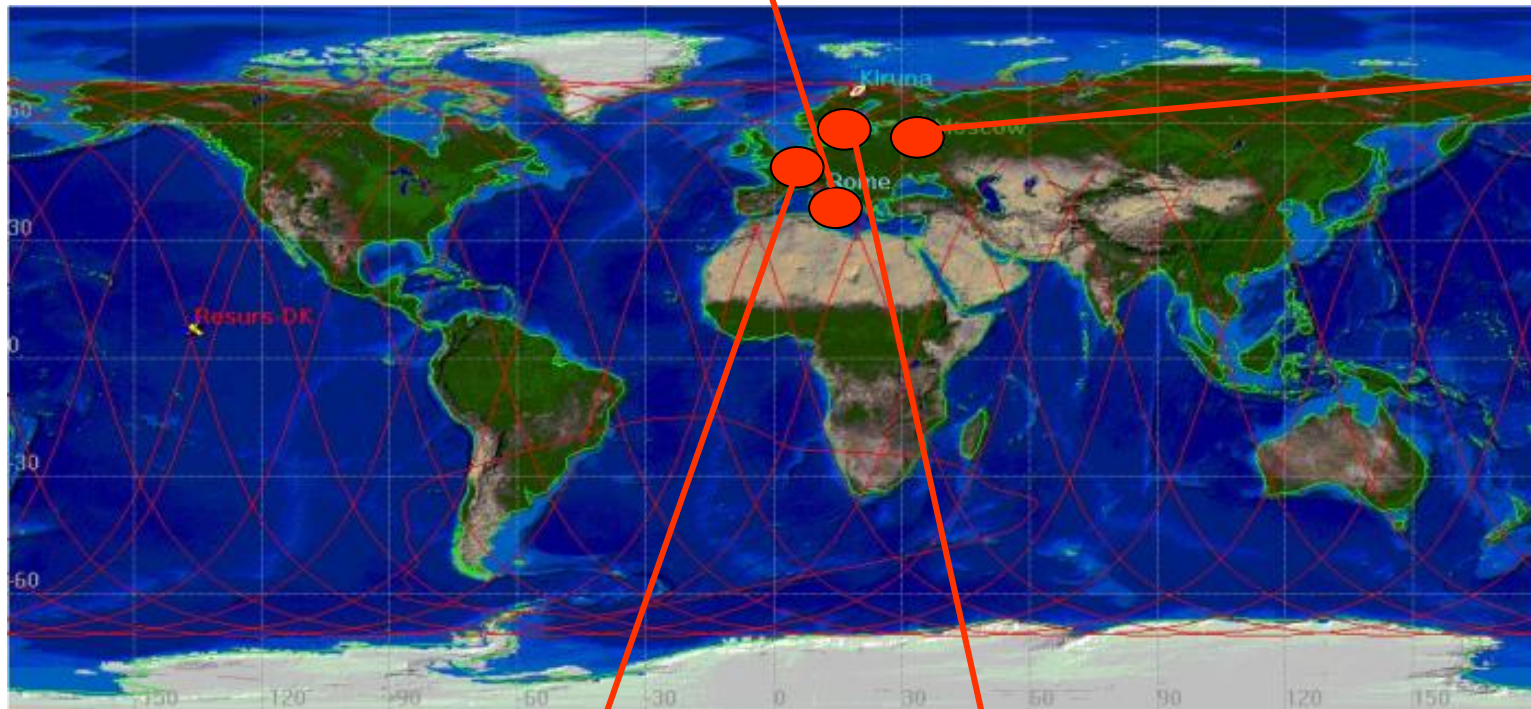


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