

**Cosmic Ray electron and
positron energy spectra
measured by
PAMELA**

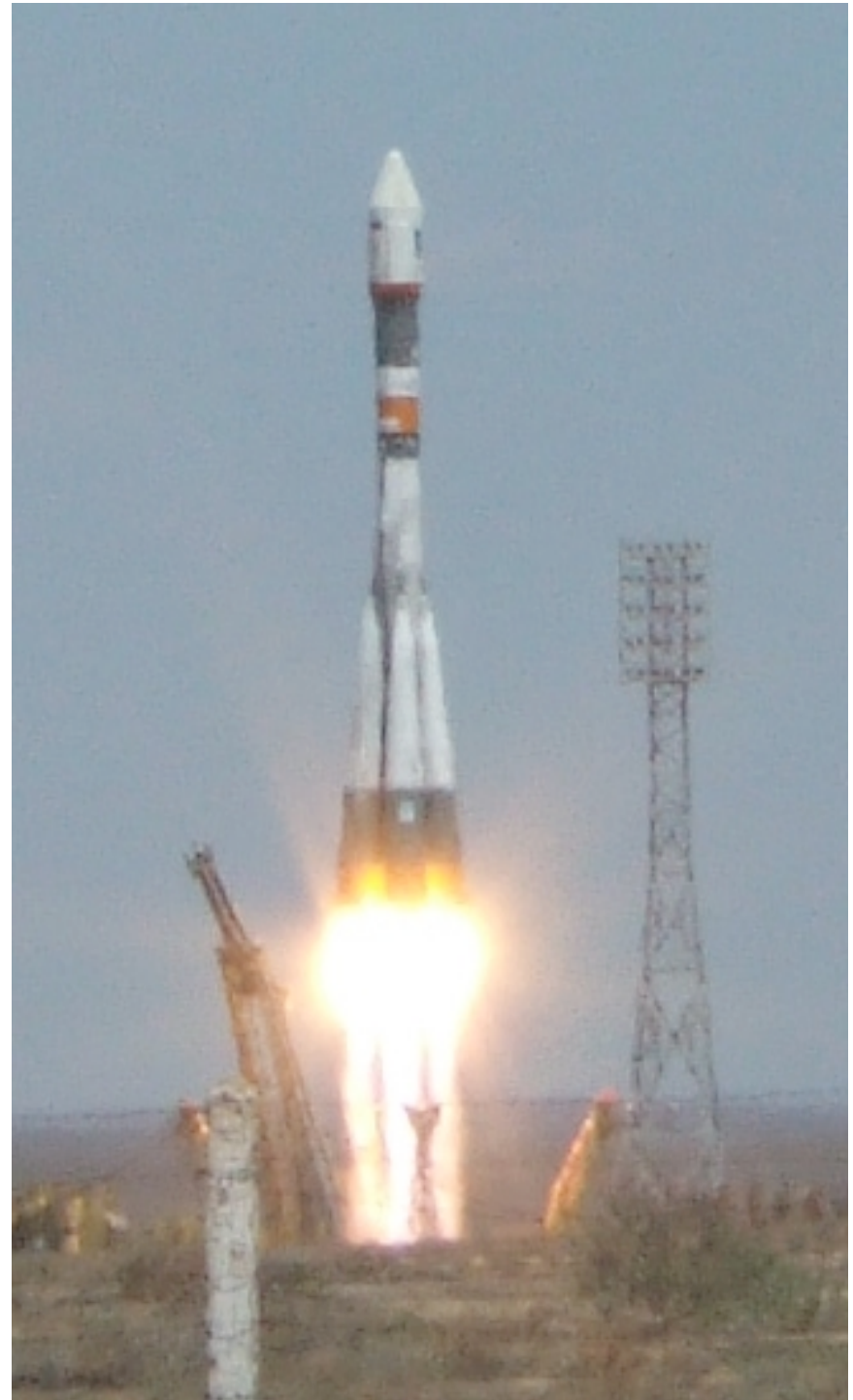
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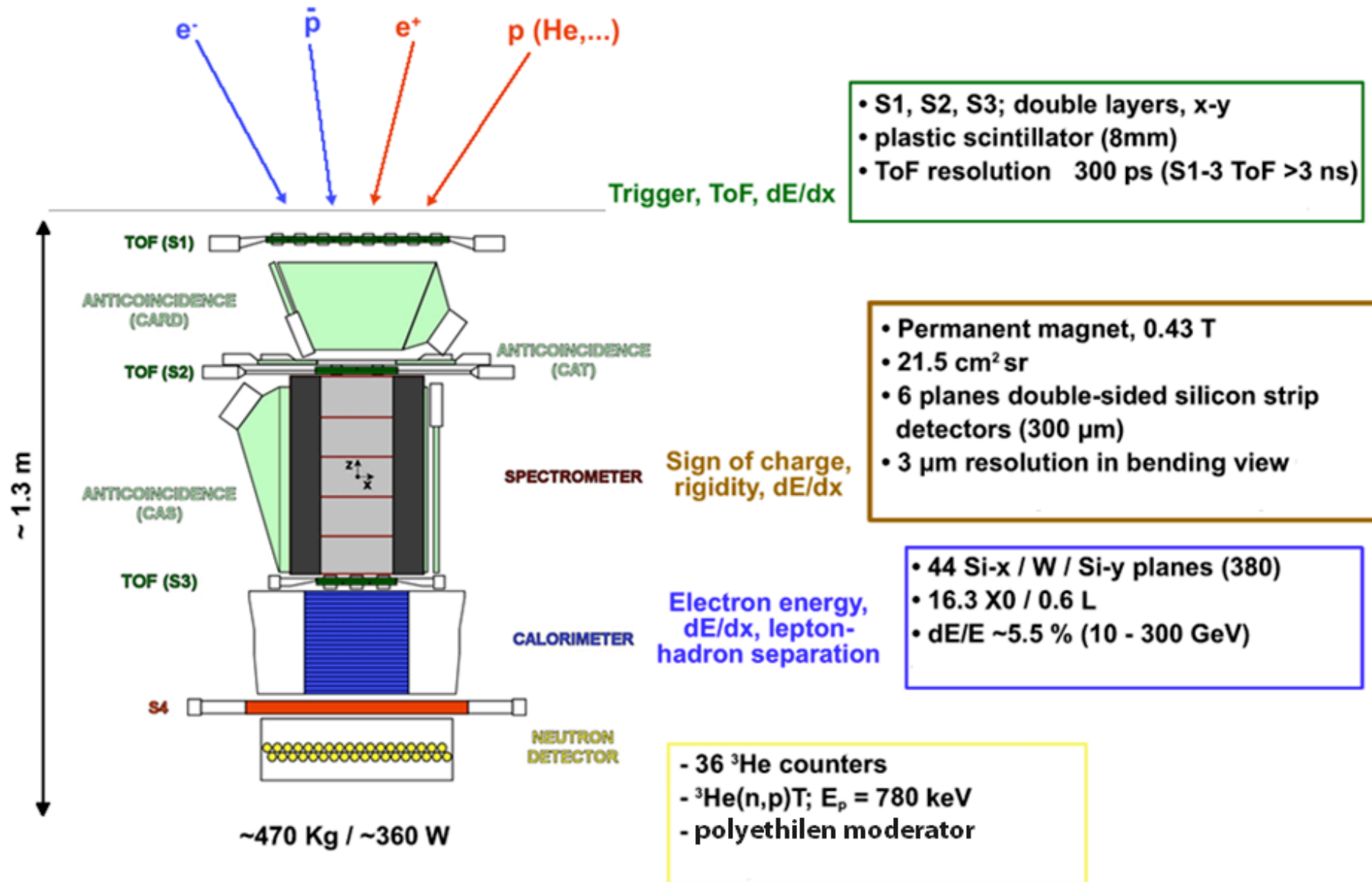
on behalf of the PAMELA collaboration

ESCR 2010, Turku , 3 August
2010

- **PAMELA was launched 15.06.2006 on-board Resurs DK №1 satellite**
- **The instrument has been working in orbit ~1500 days till now**
- **20 TB of data has been downlinked , $>3 \cdot 10^9$ triggers were registered.**



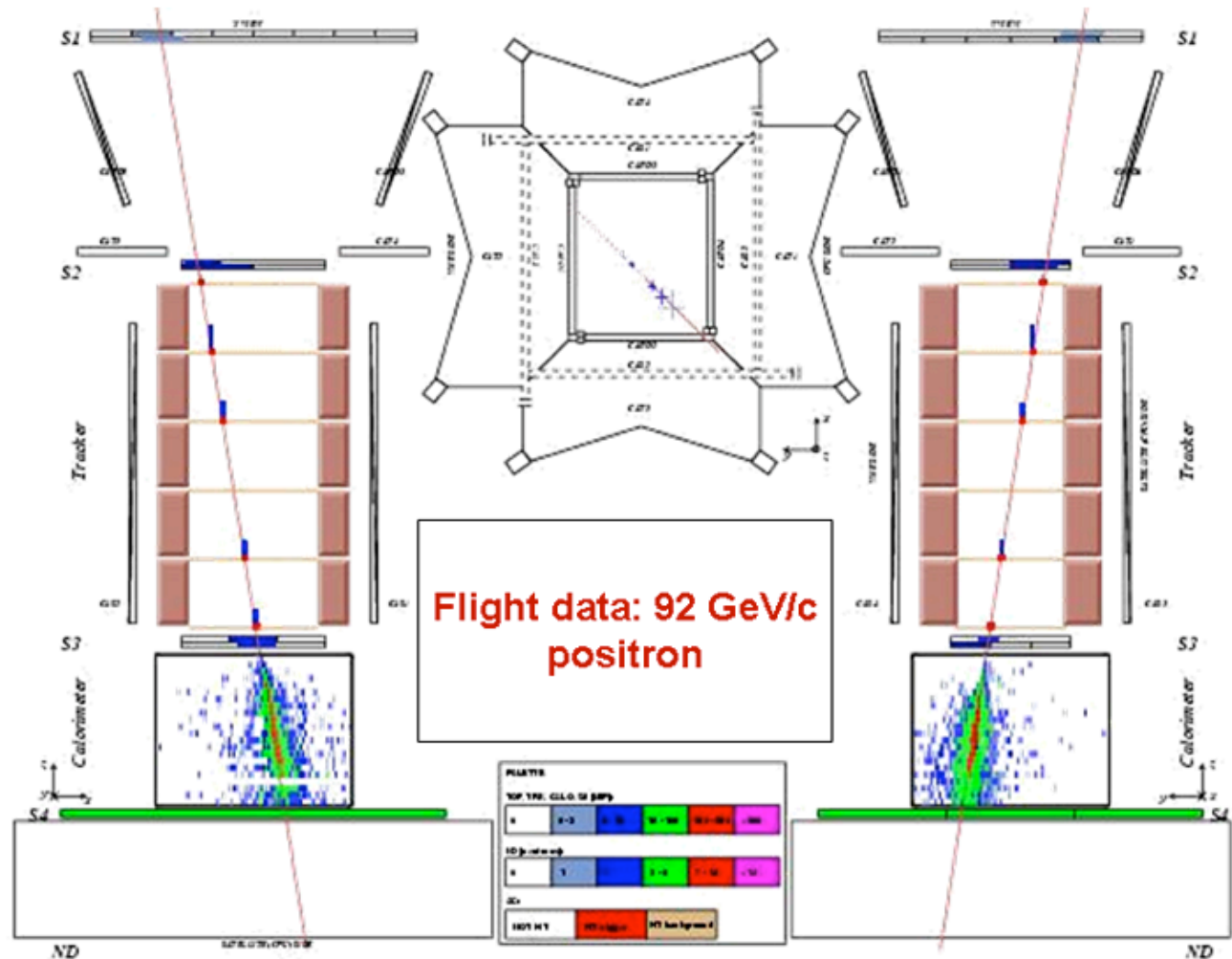
Scheme of the instrument



Positron with energy 92 GeV

Particle identification :

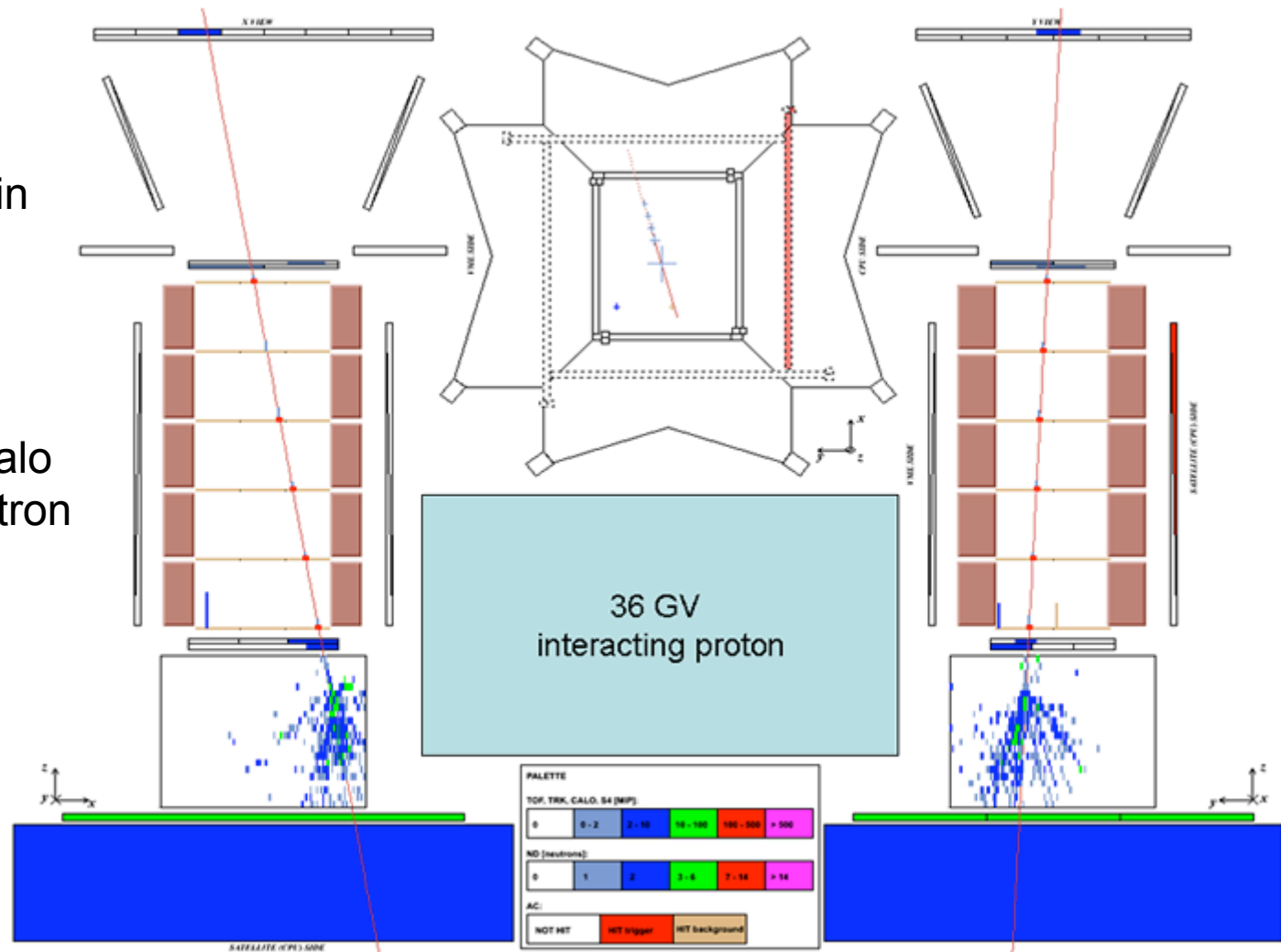
- $|Z|=1$ ($dE/dx=1$ MIP in ToF and SPE)
- $\beta=1 \rightarrow$ ToF
- rigidity (R) \sim Ecalo
- charge sign = +1
- electromagnetic shower in Calo
- No neutrons



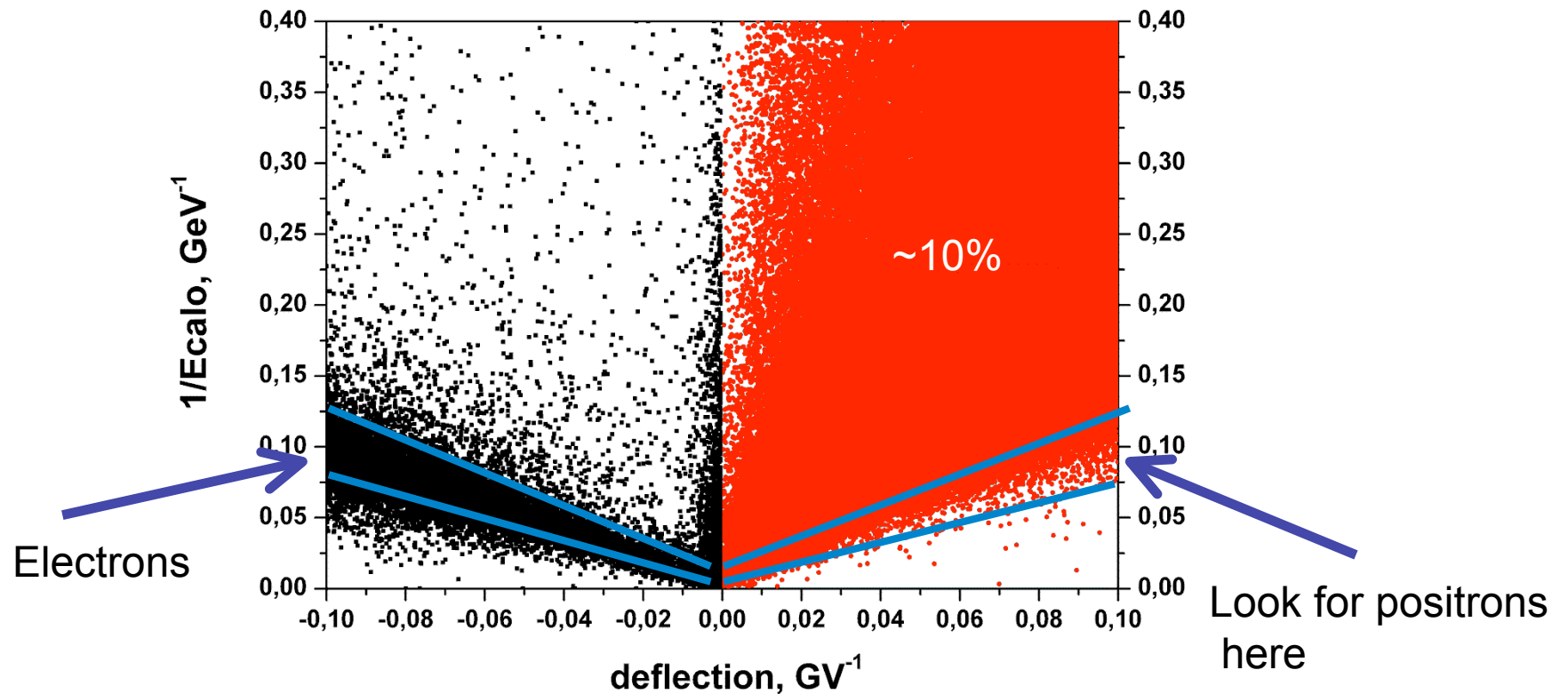
Proton with energy 36 GeV

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- $\beta=1 \rightarrow$ ToF
- rigidity (R) \gg Ecalo
- charge sign = +1
- hadrons shower in Calo
- There is signal in neutron detector

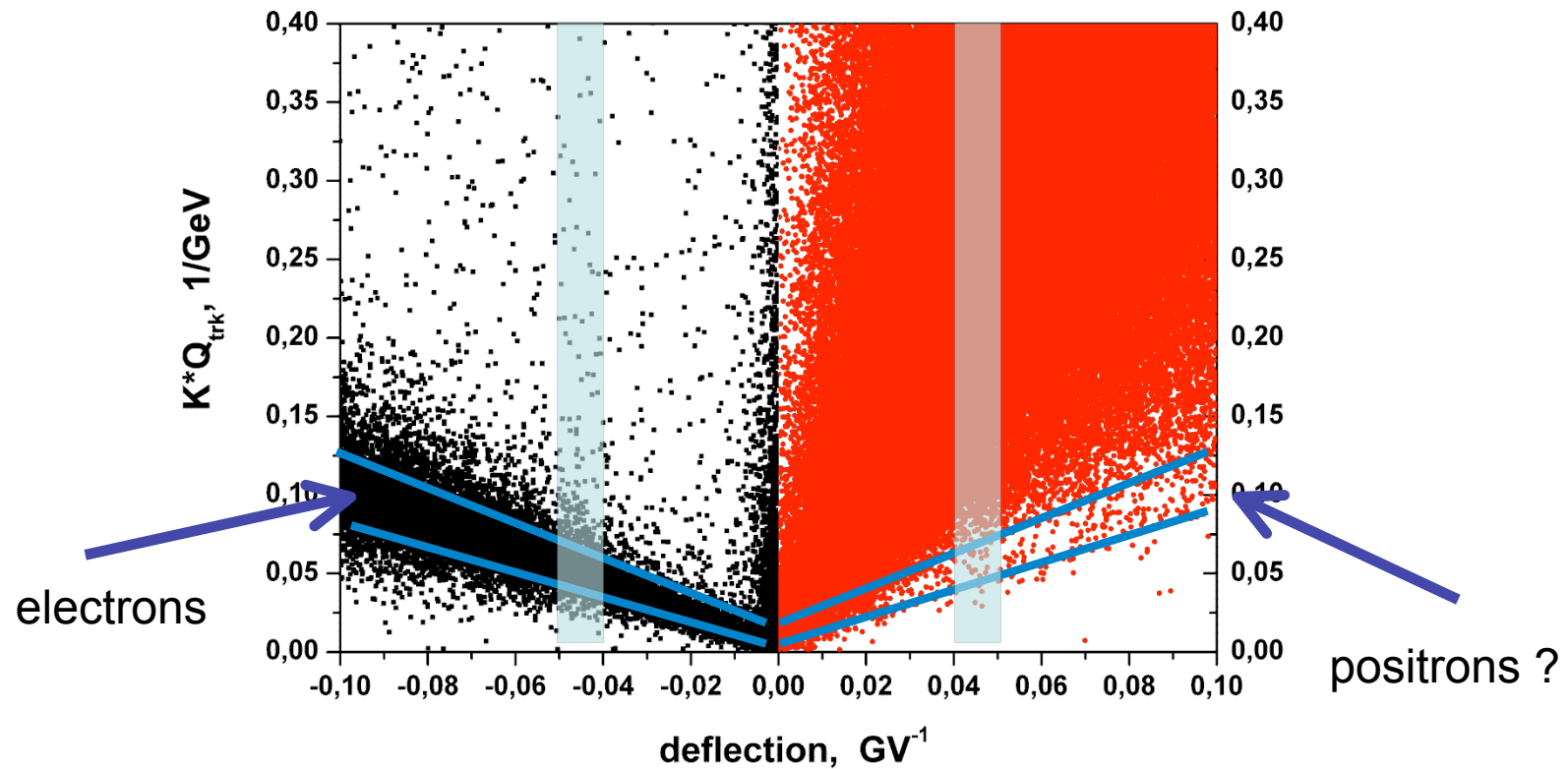


$1/E_{\text{calo}}$ vs deflection in tracker



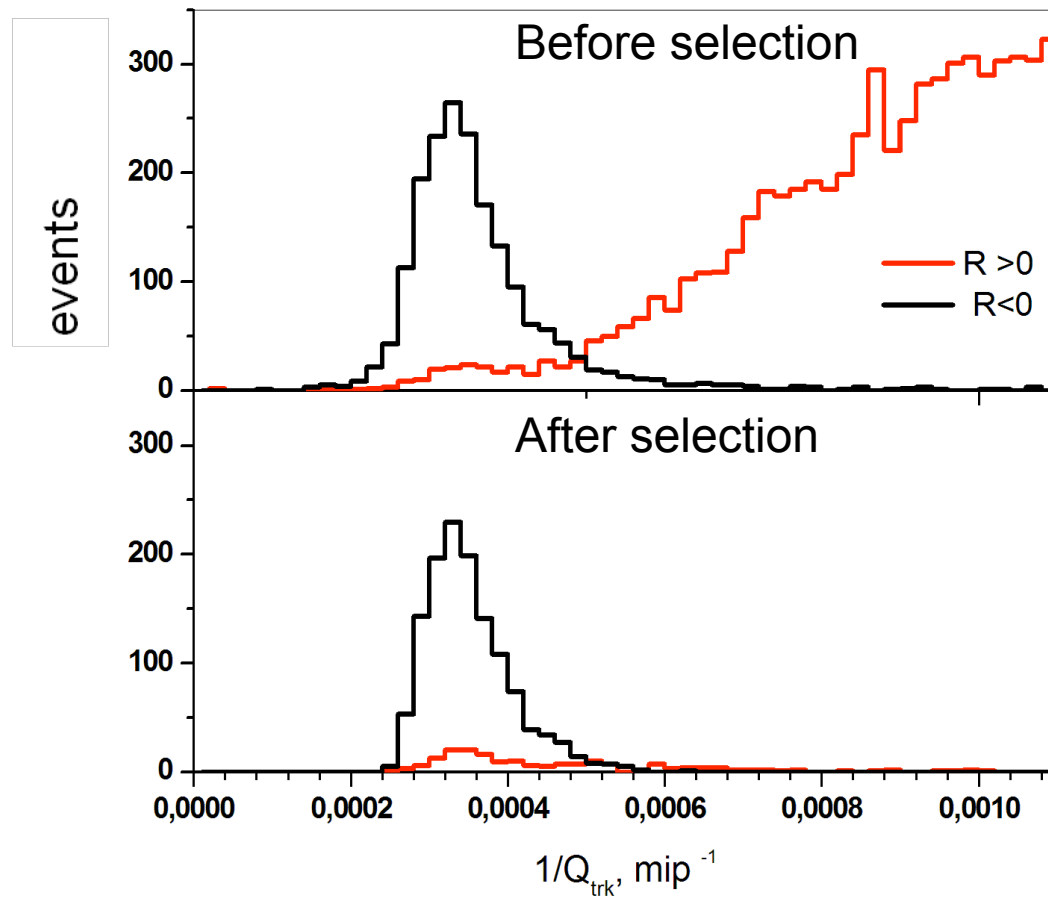
~10% events are shown for positive (red points)
 E_{calo} – released energy in calorimeter

$1/Q_{\text{calotrk}}$ vs deflection



Q_{calotrk} is energy deposit in ~ 0.6 Moliere radii (~ 4 mm) along shower axis

Distribution $1/Q_{\text{calotrk}}$ for $R=20-25\text{GV}$



Calorimeter selection :

1) Interaction point in first
4 layers of W

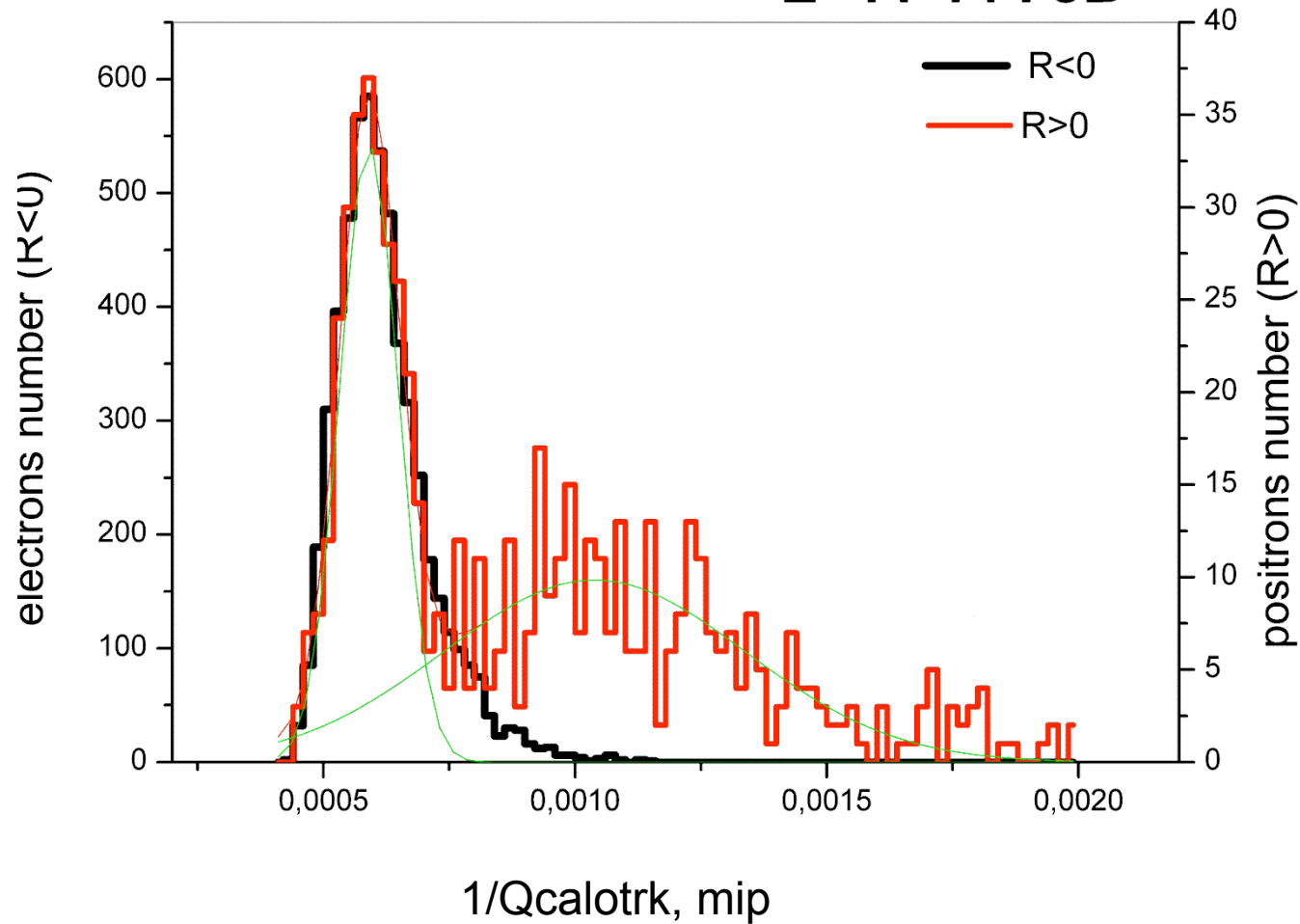
2) Longitudinal profile of shower

Energy – rigidity match

No signal in Neuron detector

Positron signal

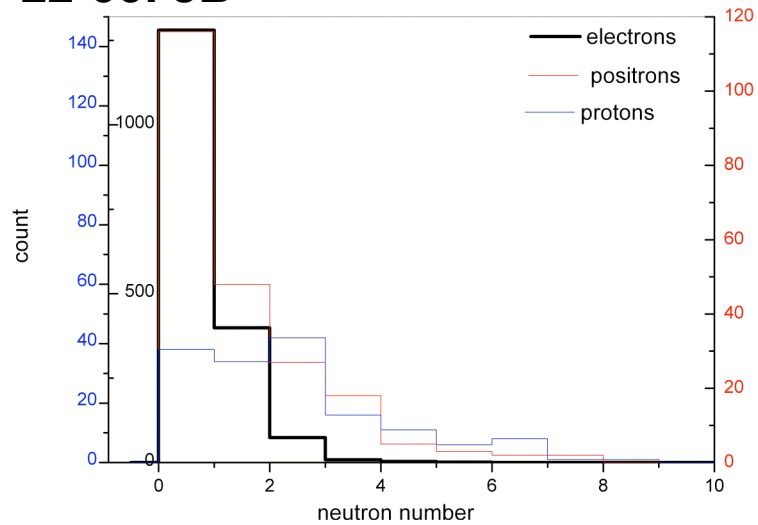
E=11-14 ГэВ



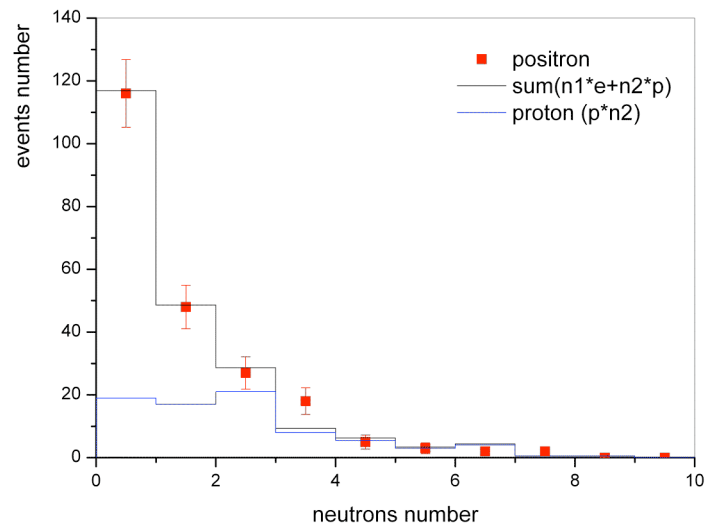
Discussion of systematic is in *Astropart. Phys.*, 34, (2010), 1-11

Background estimation with neutron detector

E=22-35ГэВ

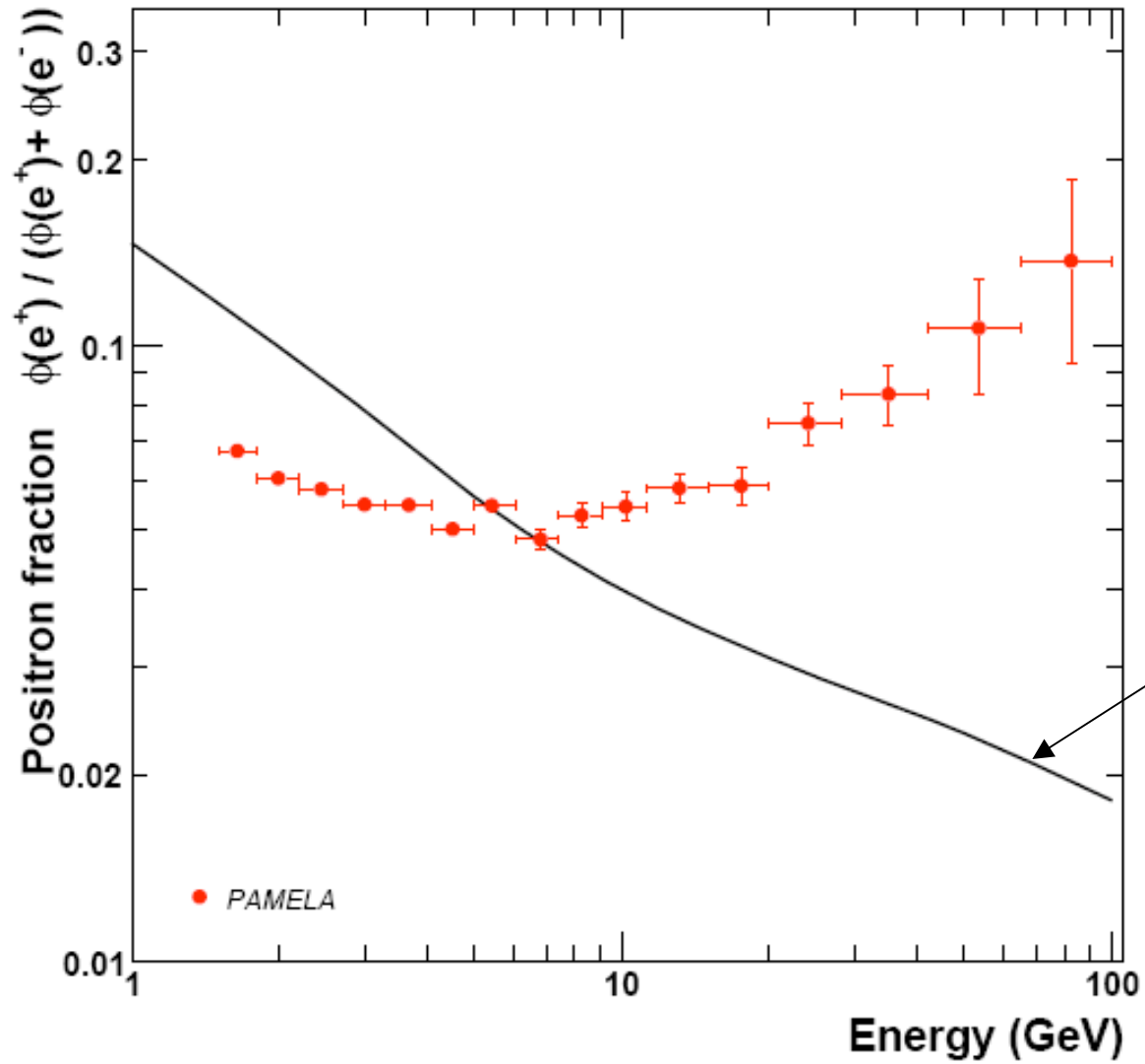


neutron distributions for electrons, positrons and protons



Fit of positrons with “electron” and “proton” functions

Positron fraction



O.Adriani et al. //
Nature 2009, V.458, P.607

Electron spectrum reconstruction

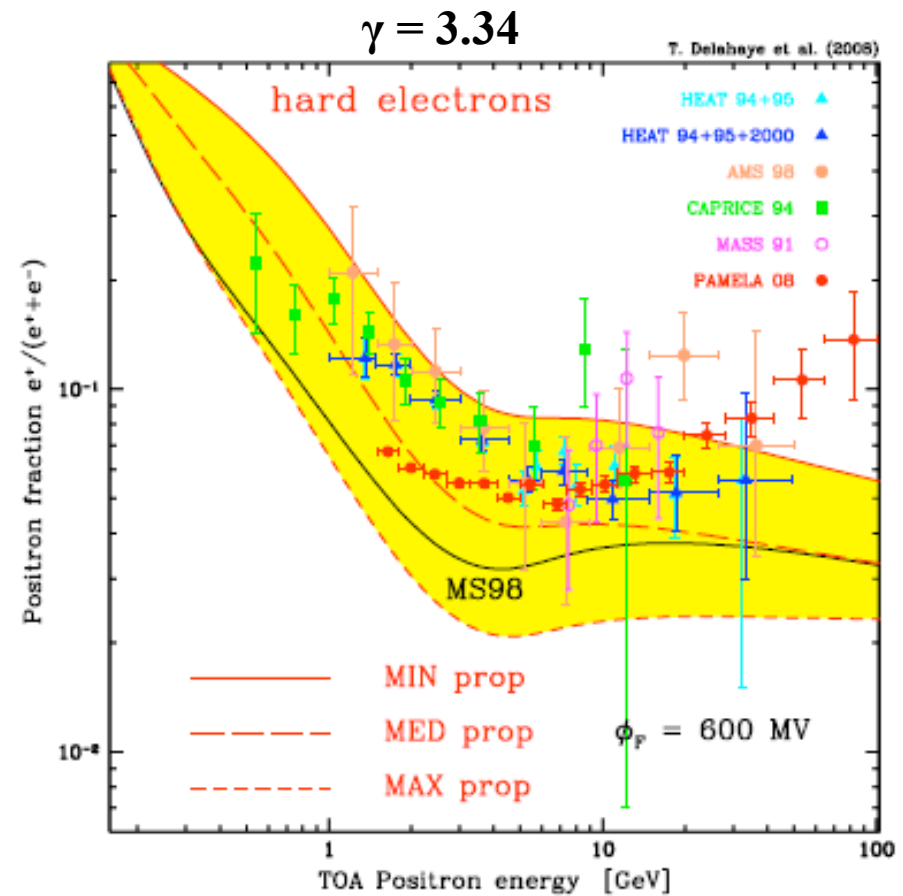
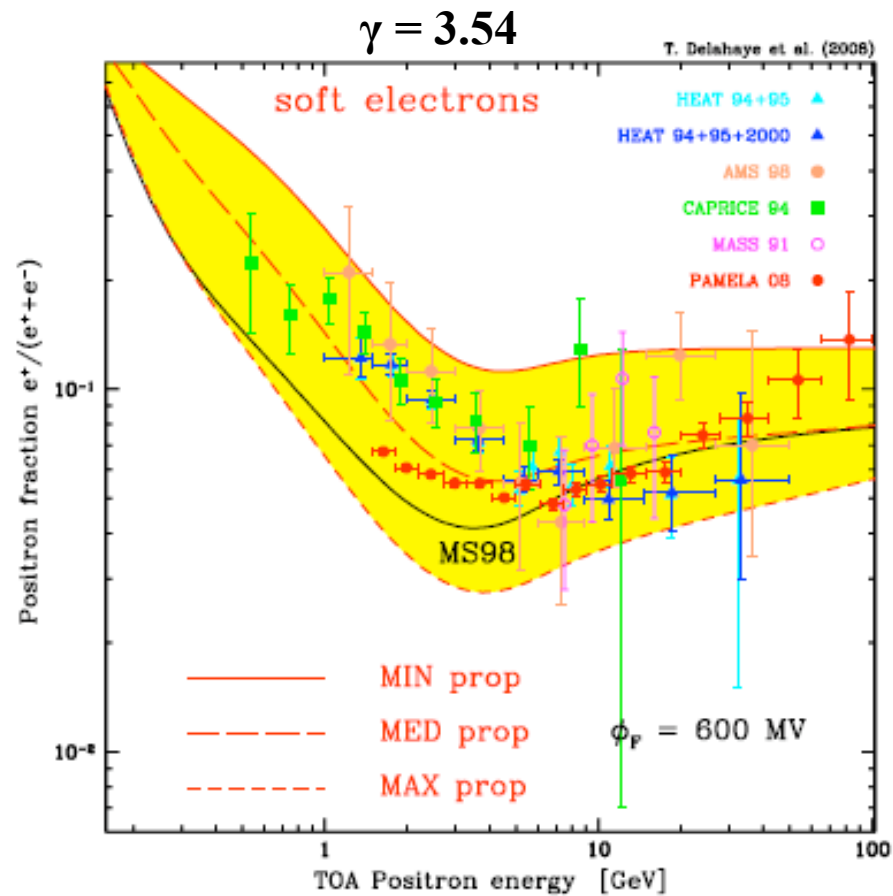
different approaches:

Tracker-based selection (strong track quality requirements, loose calorimeter selection, energy measured by the tracker)

Tracker&Calorimeter-based selection (loose track quality requirements, calorimeter selection, energy-rigidity match)

Calorimeter-based selection (loose/no track quality requirements, strong calorimeter selection, energy measured by calorimeter)

«Secondary production» positron to electron ratio in diffusion model



T. Delahaye et al., arXiv: 0809.5268v3

There were processed data for 07.2006- 12.2008

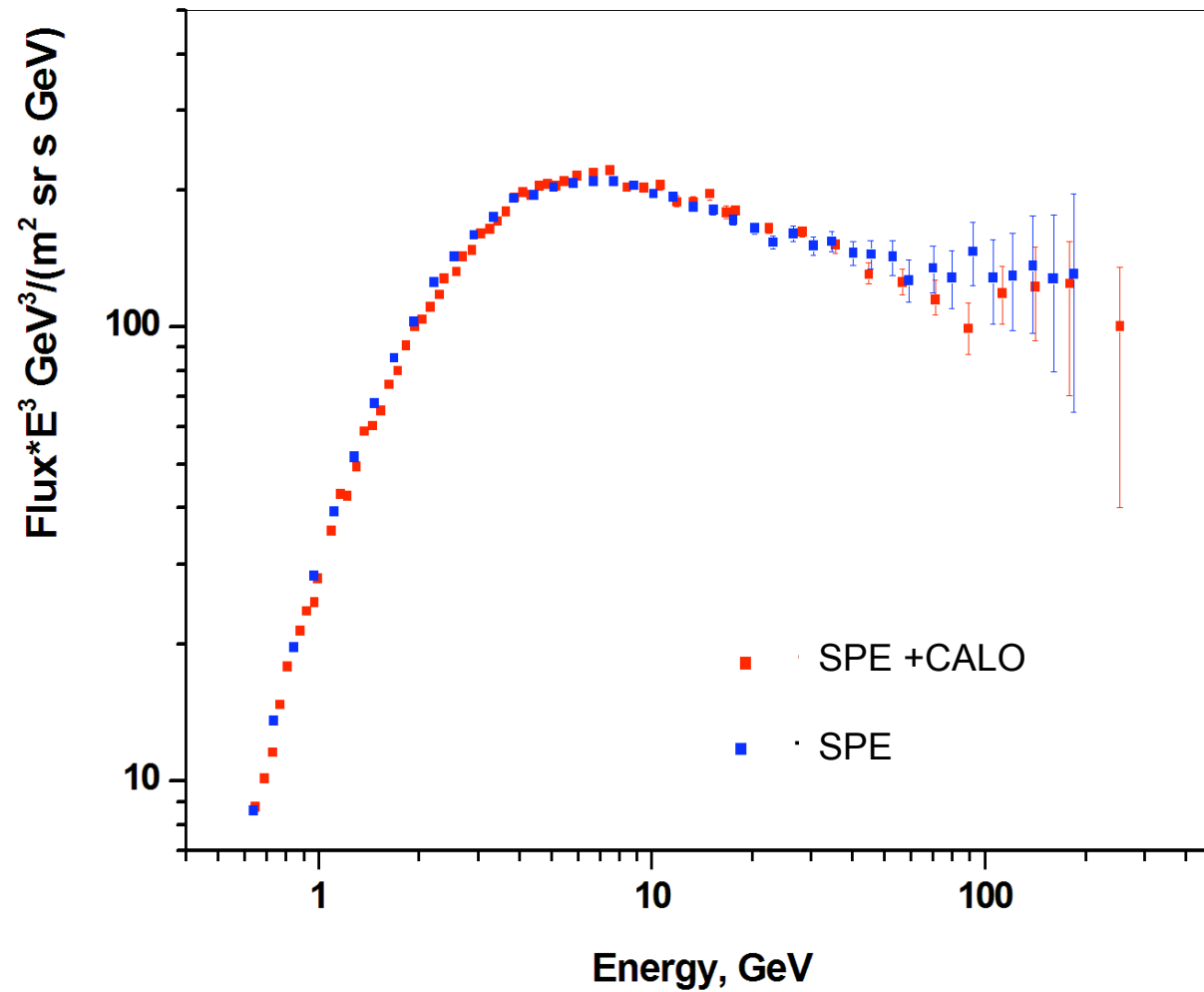
$R_{\text{particle}} > 1.3 R_{\text{geomagnetic cut-off}}$

Tracker-based selection ~650000 electrons $E > 1 \Gamma \text{эВ}$

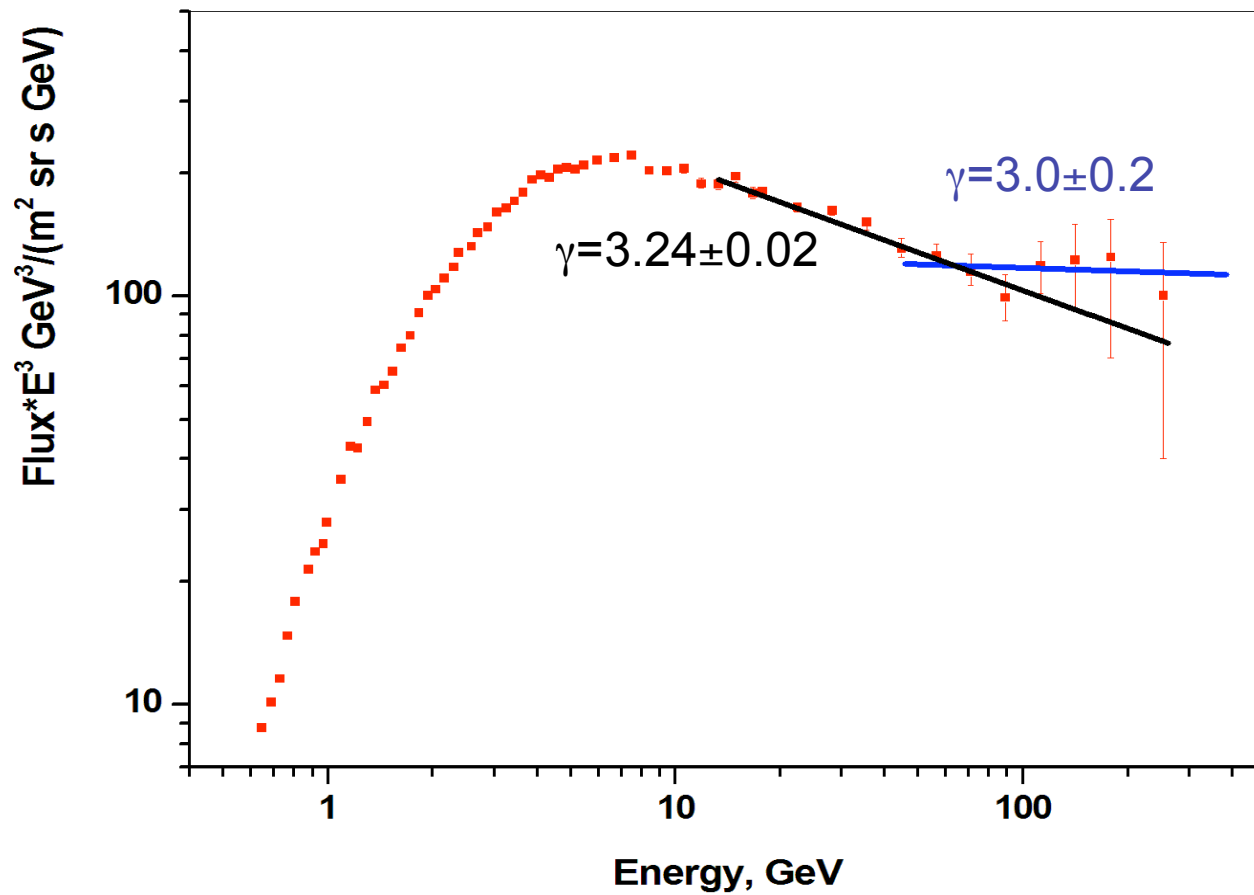
Tracker&calorimeter- based selection ~950000 electrons ,
~90000 positrons

- Exposure time was measured with accuracy better 0.1%
- Efficiency was calculated by MC with GEANT3 and compared with experimental estimations (~3% error)
- Unfolding procedure takes into account resolution of the tracker and energy release before spectrometer

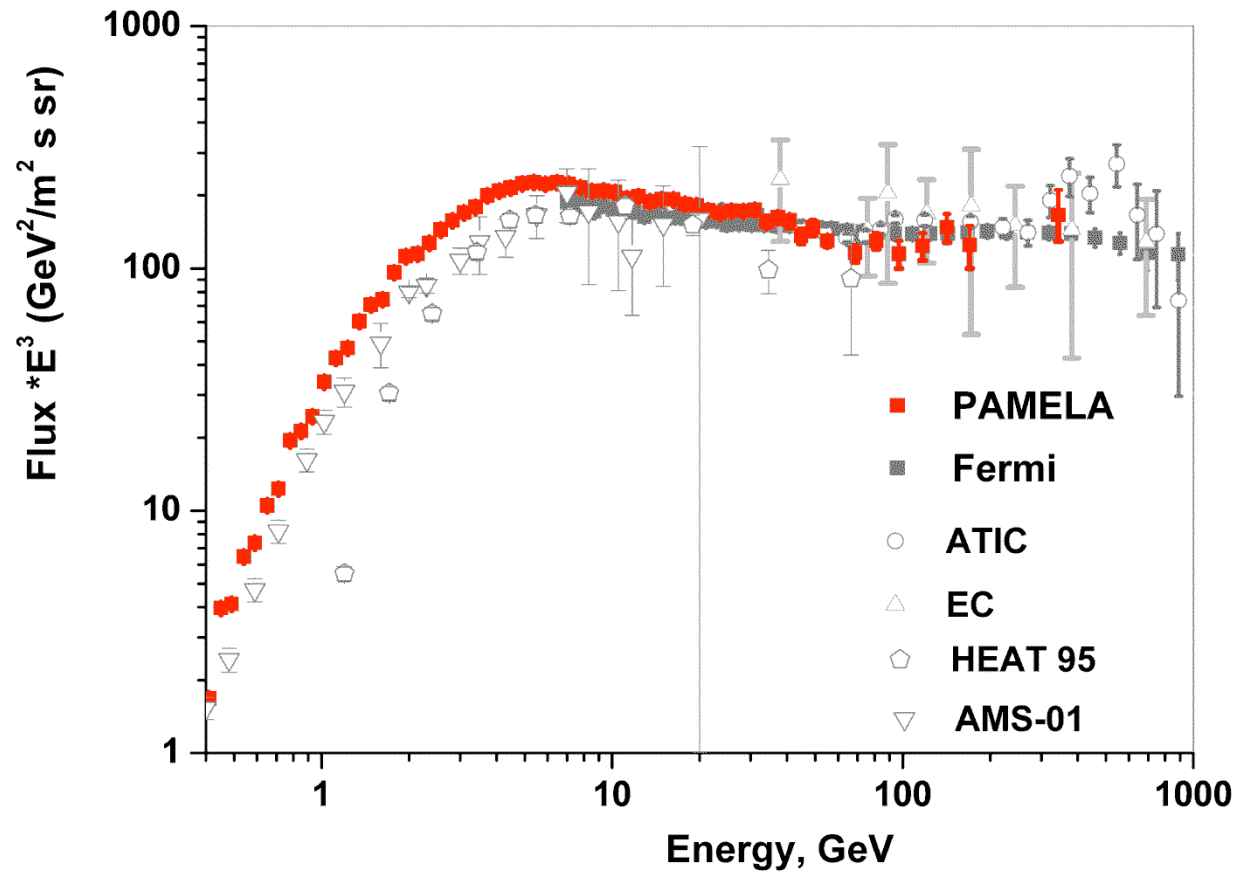
Electron spectrum



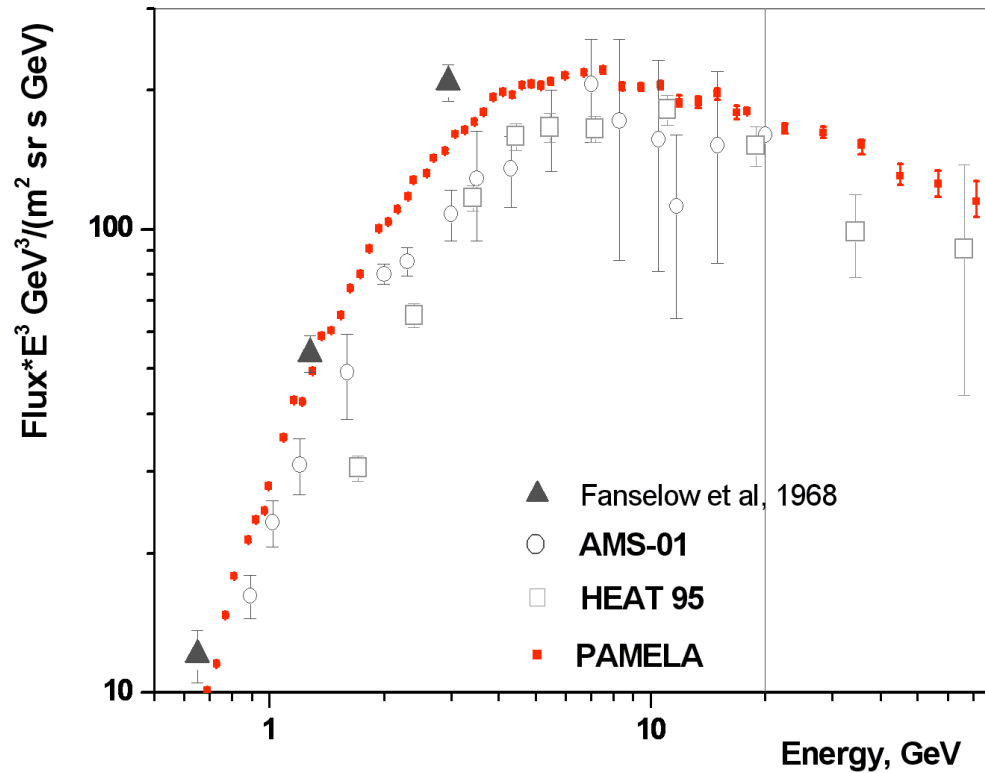
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Total electron + positron flux

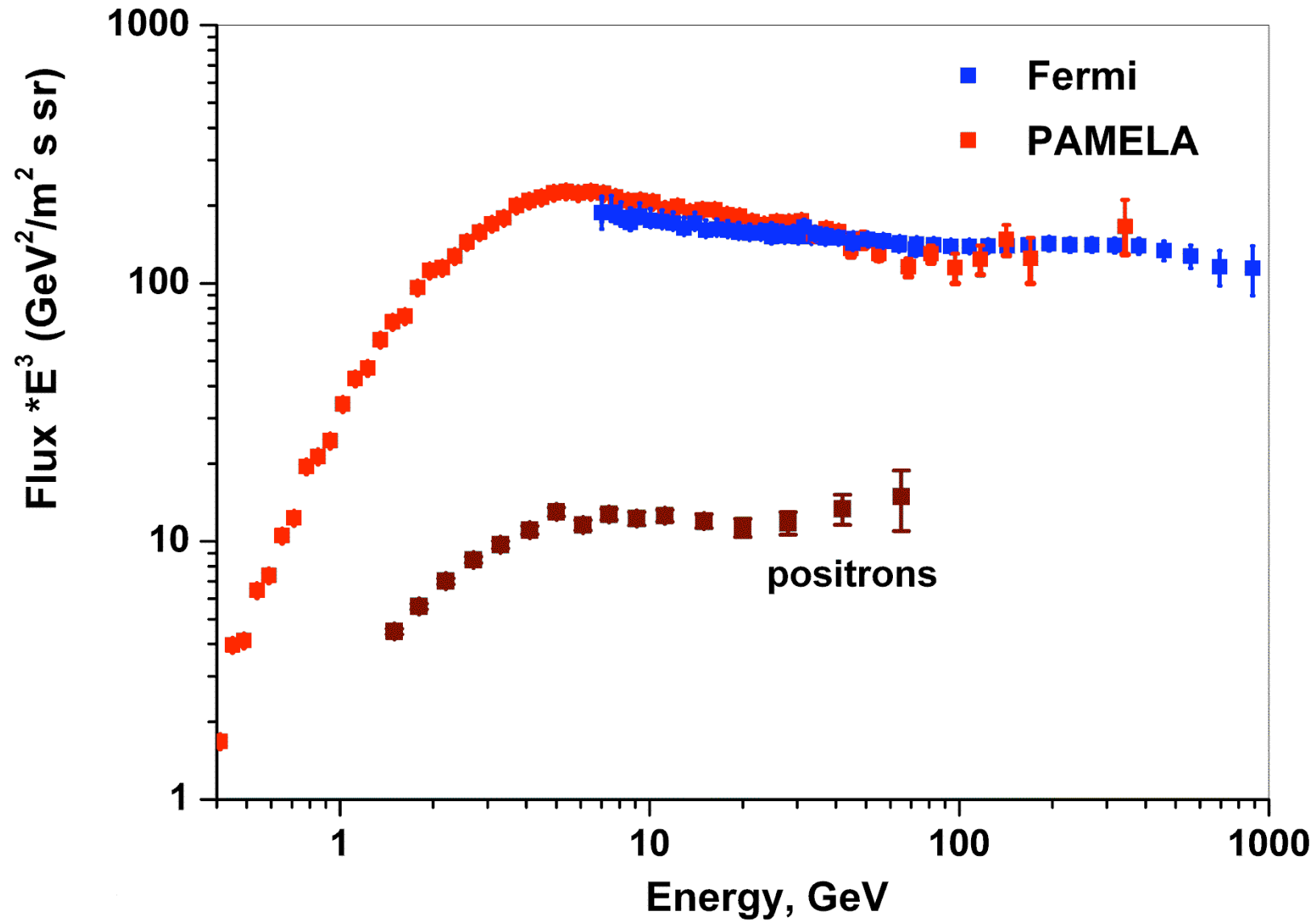


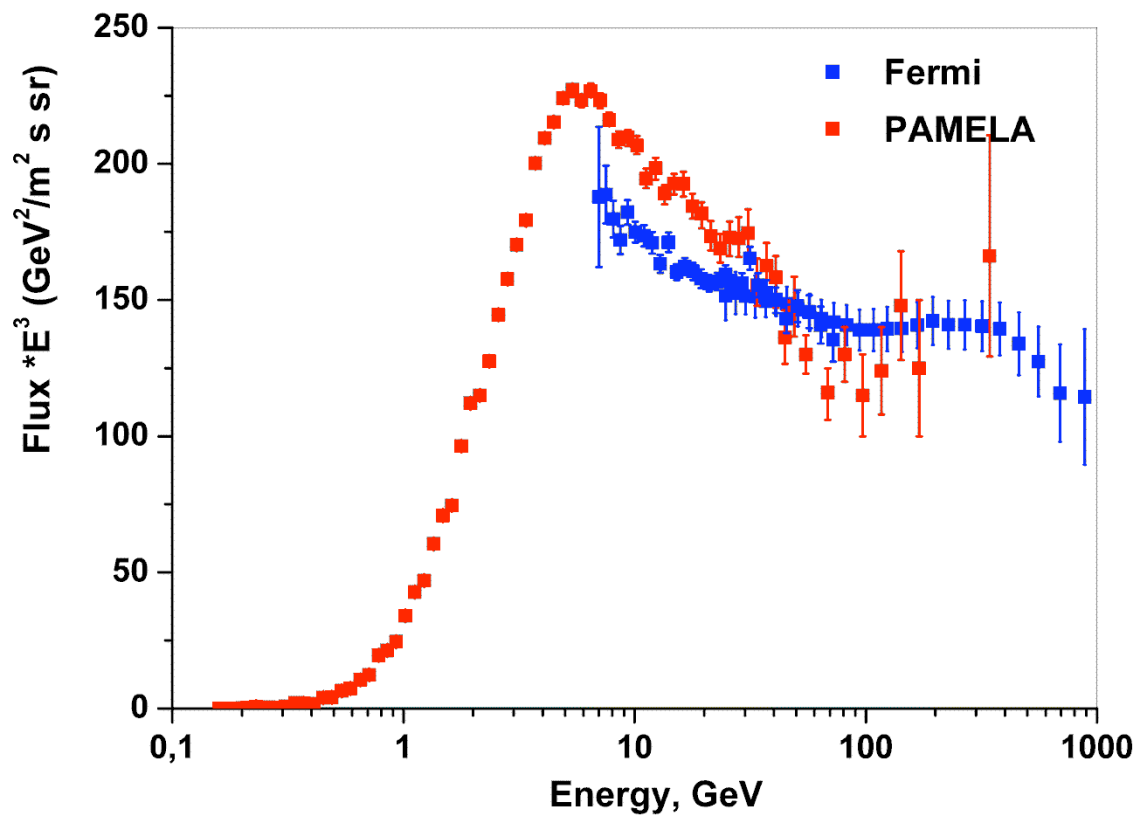
Low energy part of electron spectrum



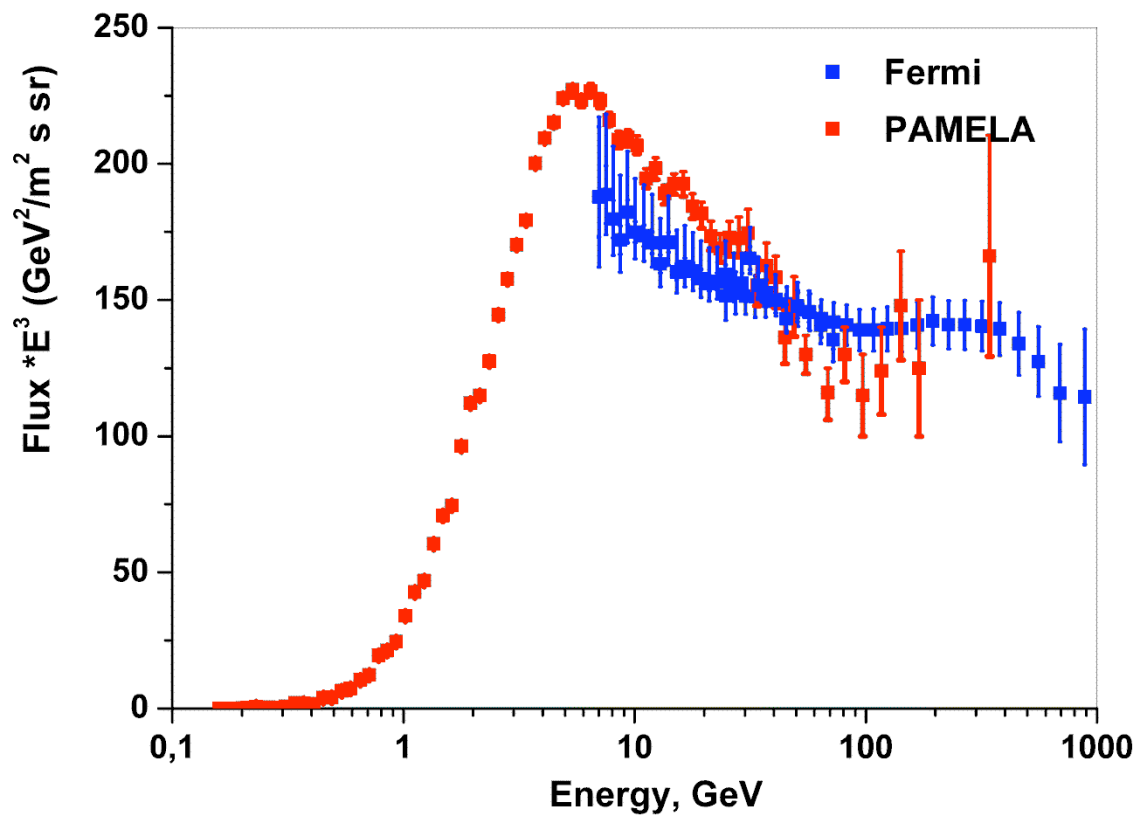
**Balloon experiment
ApJ 1969 , 158,771
Flight was in 1965-
1966
during minimum of
solar activity
A<0
Φ~500MV**

**PAMELA in 2006-
2008:
A<0
Φ~550-400MV**



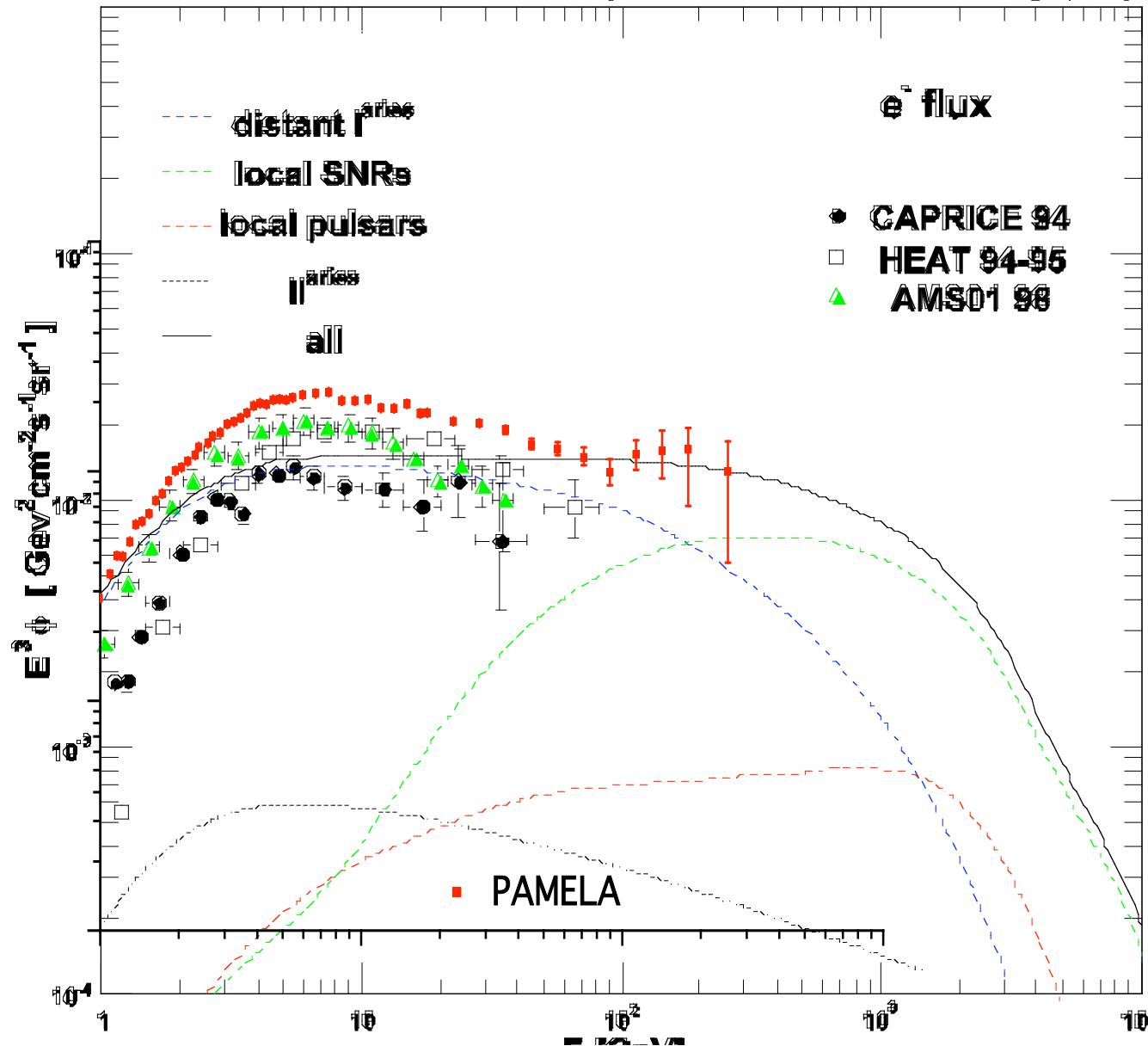


Low energy Fermi points from “Fermi symposium, Washington, Nov. 2-5, 2009”



Comparison of methods

method	Energy, GeV	particles	comments
1.Strong track, loose calorimeter selection	0.1-200	electrons	Proton background limits max energy of electrons ~ 200 GeV. Constant efficiency from ~ 2 до ~ 70 GeV
Track & Calorimeter selection , Energy –rigidity match	0.1-400	Electrons and positrons separately	Minimal background, rejection of protons $\sim 10^5$. Efficiency decreases with energy due to tracker resolution
3.Strong calorimeter selection + Sign from track	20-800 $\sim 1- 400$	Electrons-positrons sum electrons	Maximal energy, no electron/positron separation, possible residual background. Rejection of protons $10^3 - 10^4$



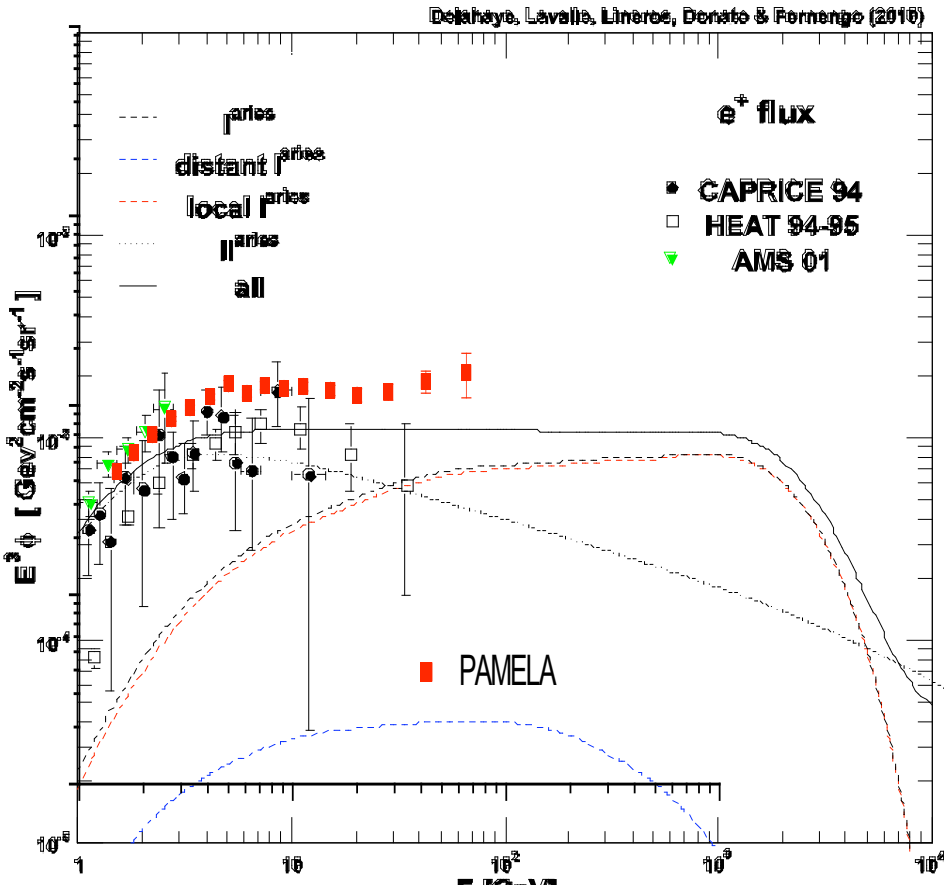
e⁻ flux

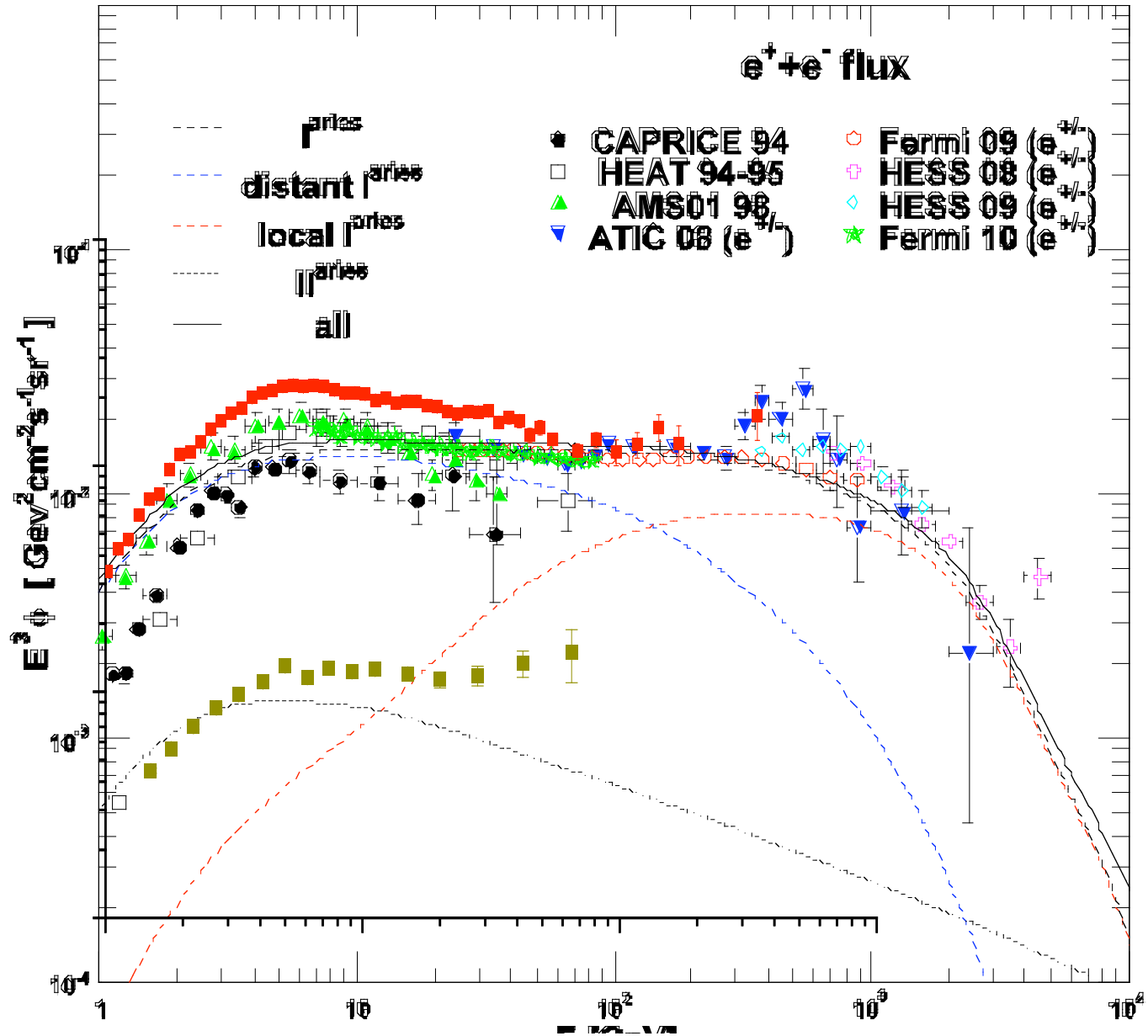
Galactic electrons and positrons at the Earth: new estimate of the primary and secondary fluxes

T. Delahaye, J. Lavall, R. Lineros, F. Donato, and N. Fornengo

ArXiv:1002.1910

e^+ flux



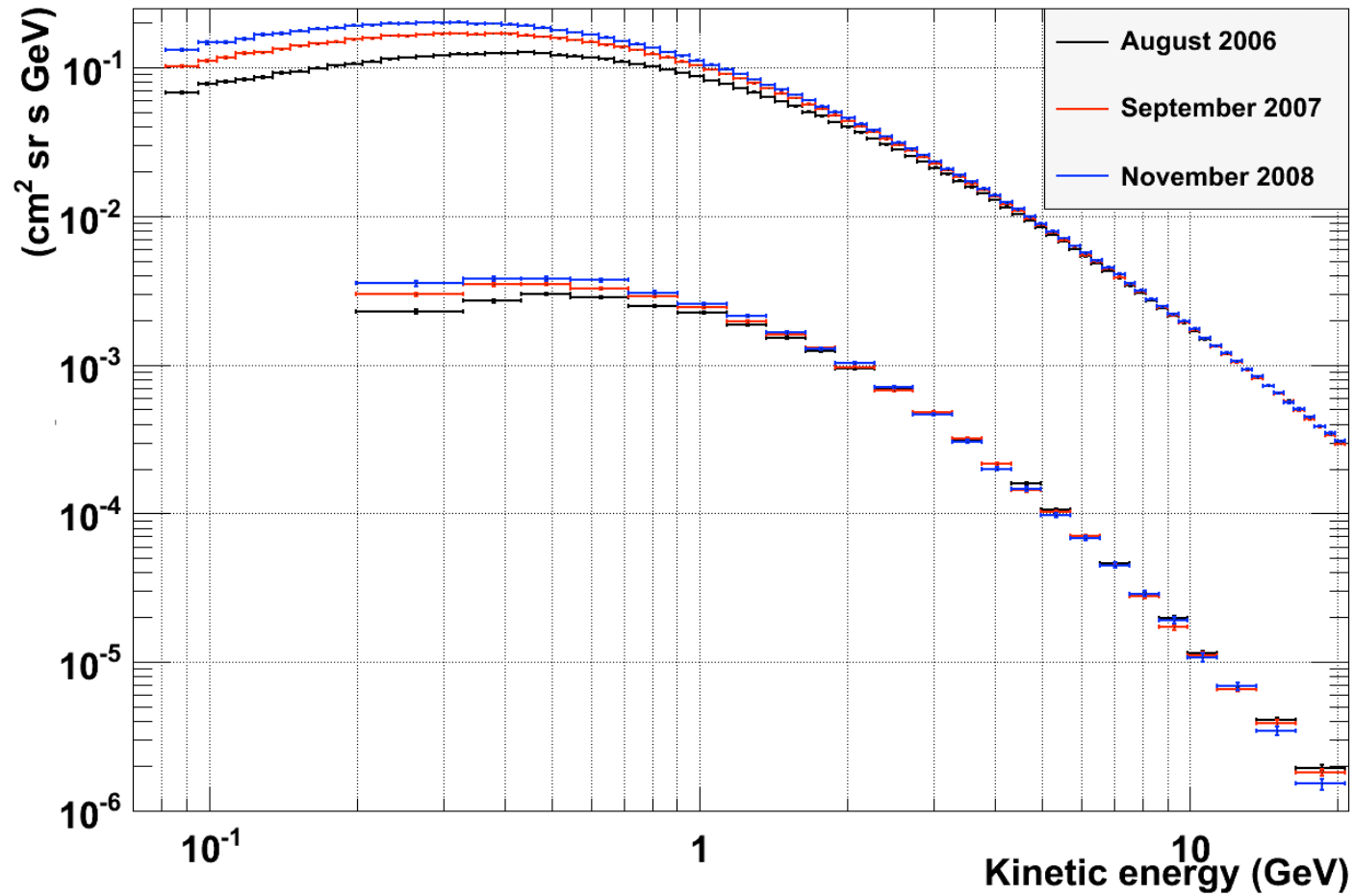


Conclusion

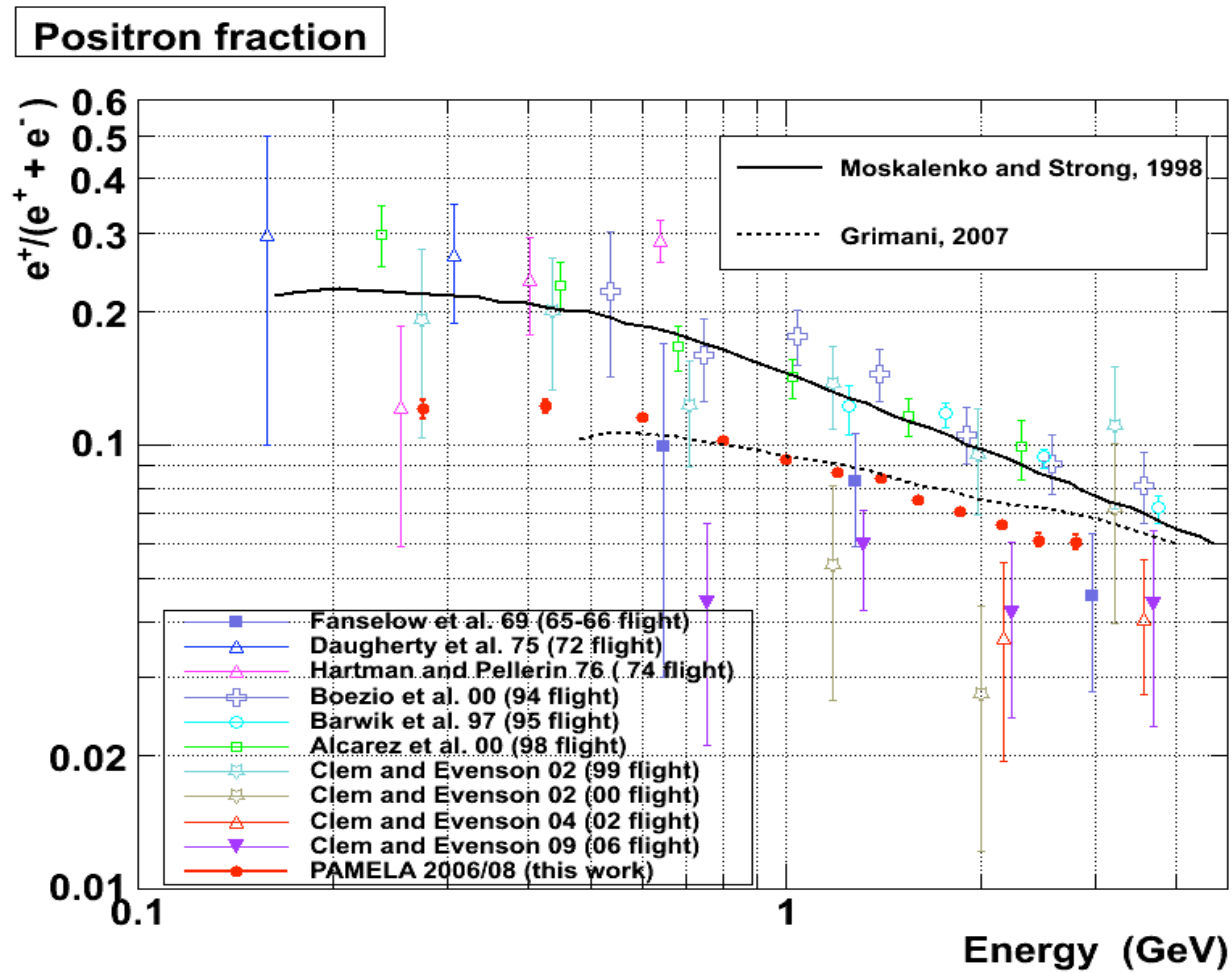
- PAMELA has been in orbit and collected data for ~1500 days. $>3 \times 10^9$ triggers registered, and >20 TB of data has been down-linked.
- The instrument provides good electron and positron separation with rejection of protons about 10^5
- Electron /positron spectrum obtained by different methods are in good agreement
- Preliminary estimations shows that positron spectrum appears to be more harder than “conventional ” diffusive model predicted.
- Analysis ongoing to finalize the electron & positron spectra

Thank you

Proton and electron spectra



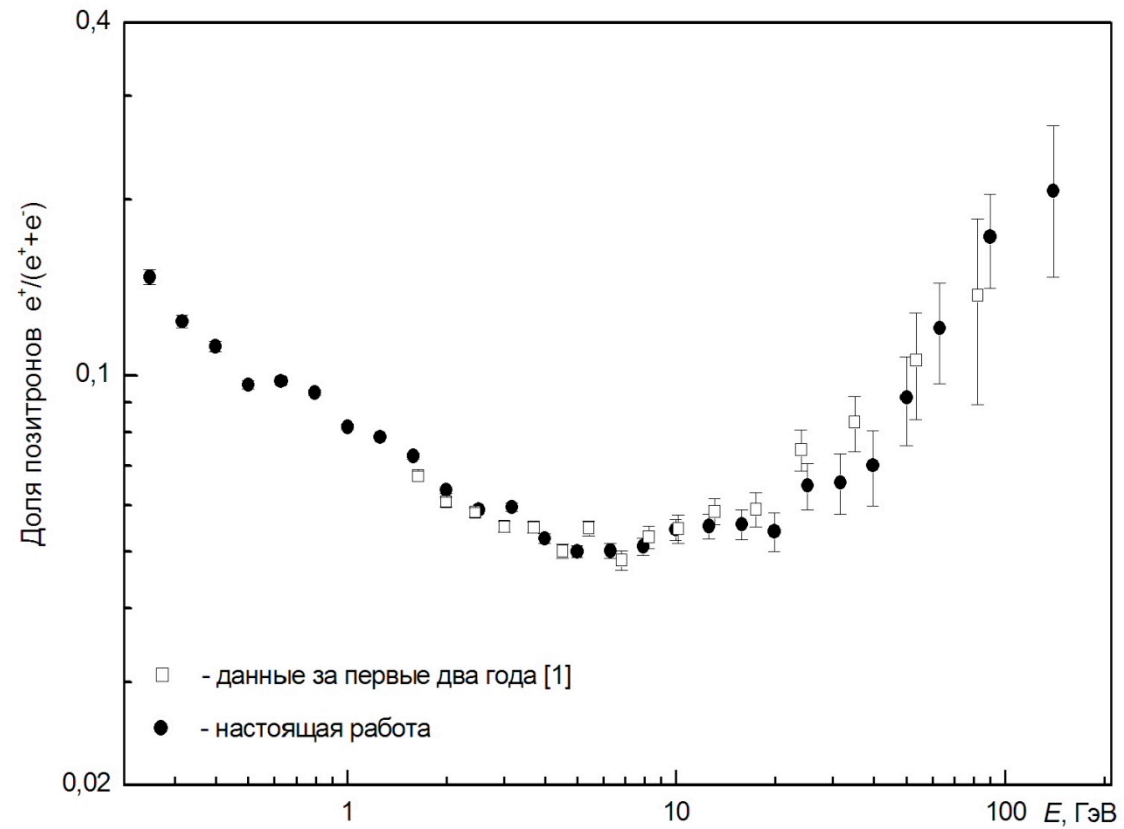
PAMELA positron fraction at low energy



Filled markers: A- polarity epoch
Open markers: A+ polarity epoch

Valeria Di Felice

Positron ratio



[1] O.Adriani et al. // Nature 2009, V.458,P.607

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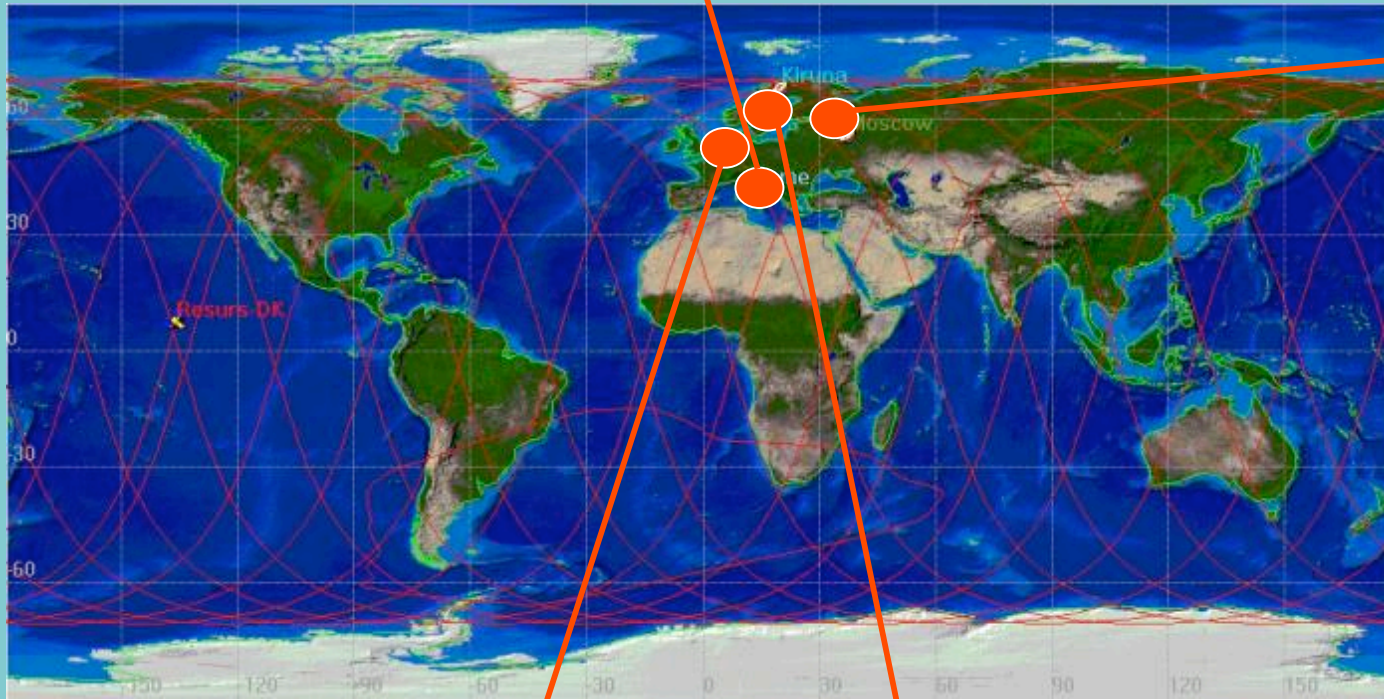
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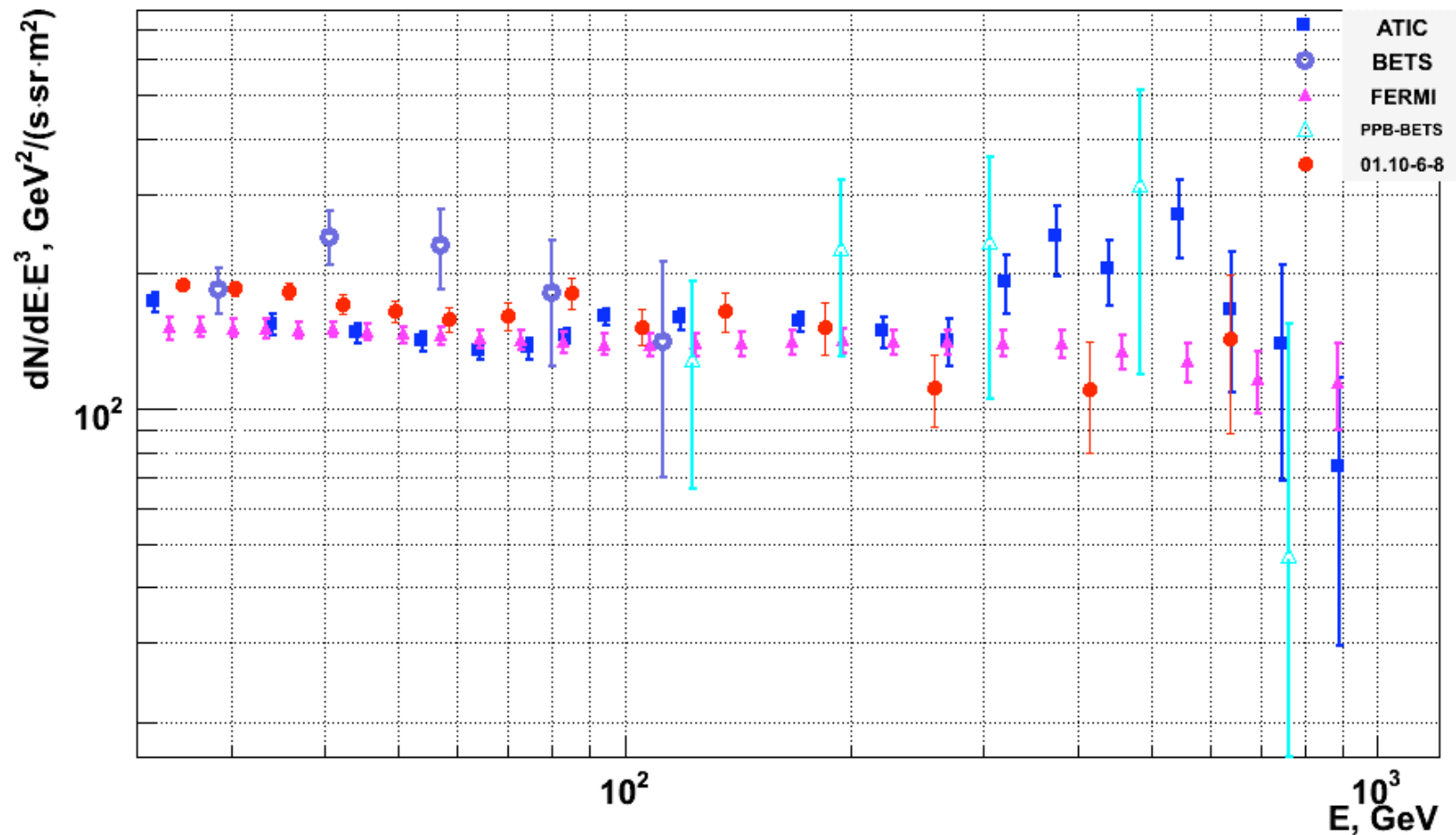
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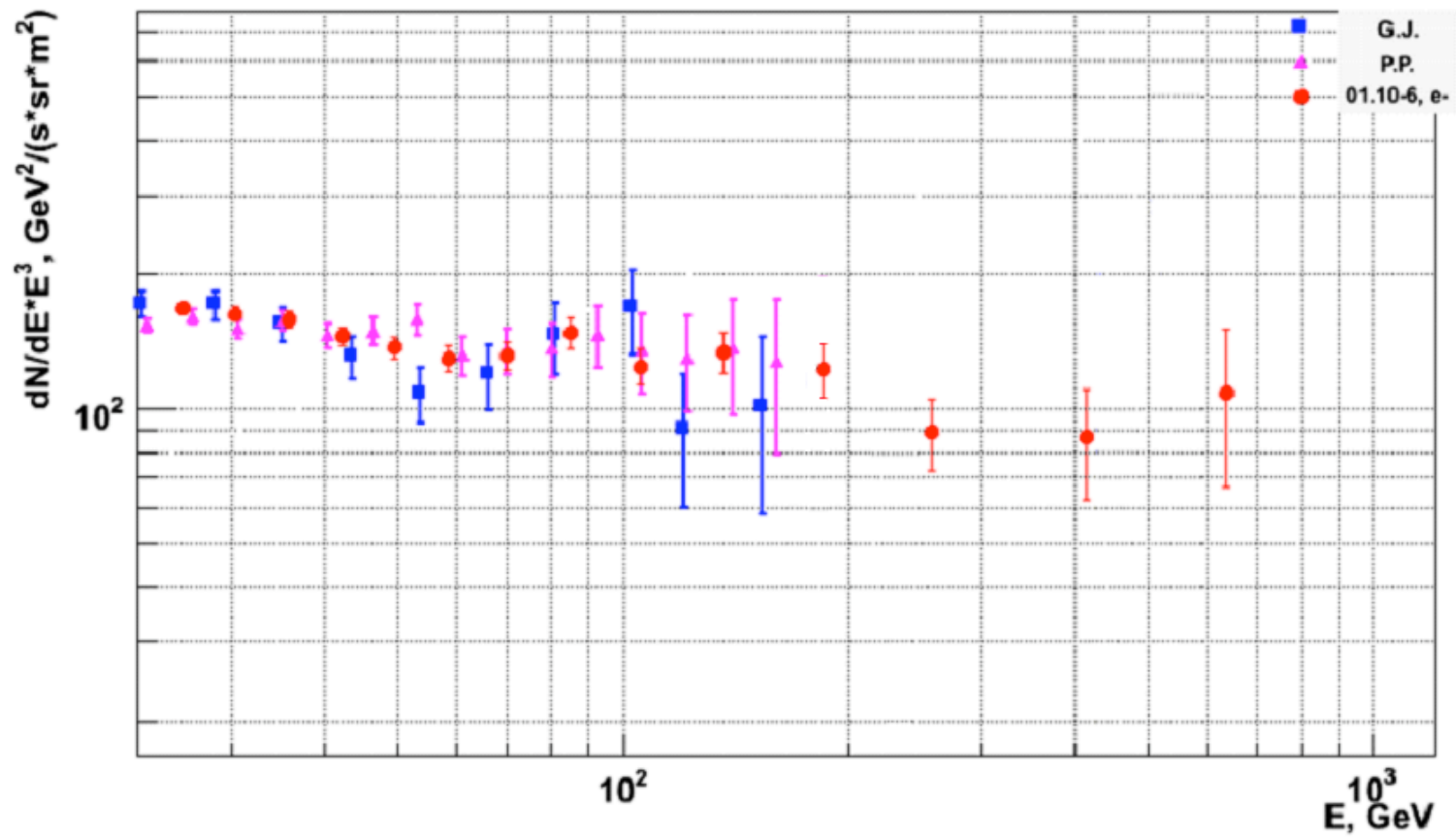
KTH, Stockholm

electron+positron spectrum with calorimeter

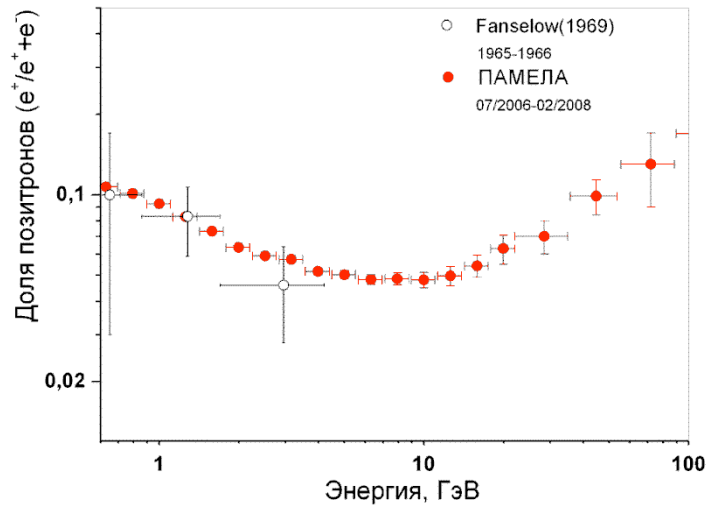
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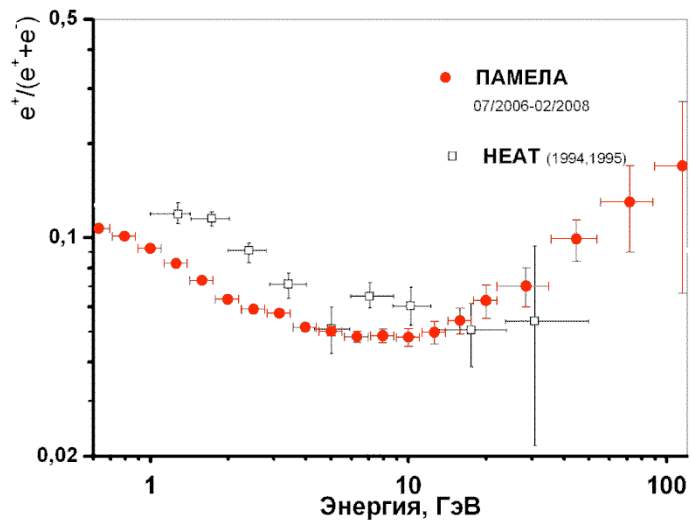
Отношение $e^+ / (e^- + e^+)$



Сравнение результатов с данными
баллонного эксперимента чикагской группы.
ApJ 1969 , 158,771

Полеты проводились в 1965-1966г во время
солнечного минимума $A < 0$ $\Phi \sim 500 \text{ MB}$

ПАМЕЛА $A < 0$ $\Phi \sim 550-450 \text{ MB}$



Сравнение результатов с данными
баллонного эксперимента HEAT $A > 0$ $\Phi \sim 600 \text{ MB}$