

Searching for Anti-Nuclei in Cosmic-Ray with the Dark Matter Particle Explorer



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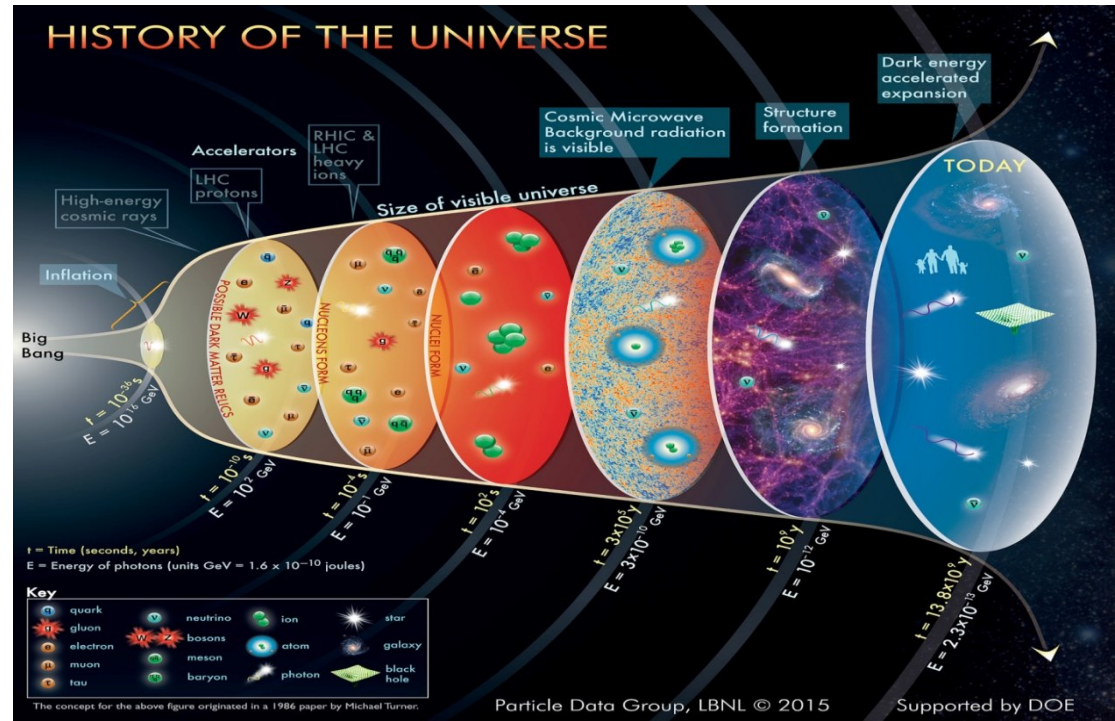
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Motivation

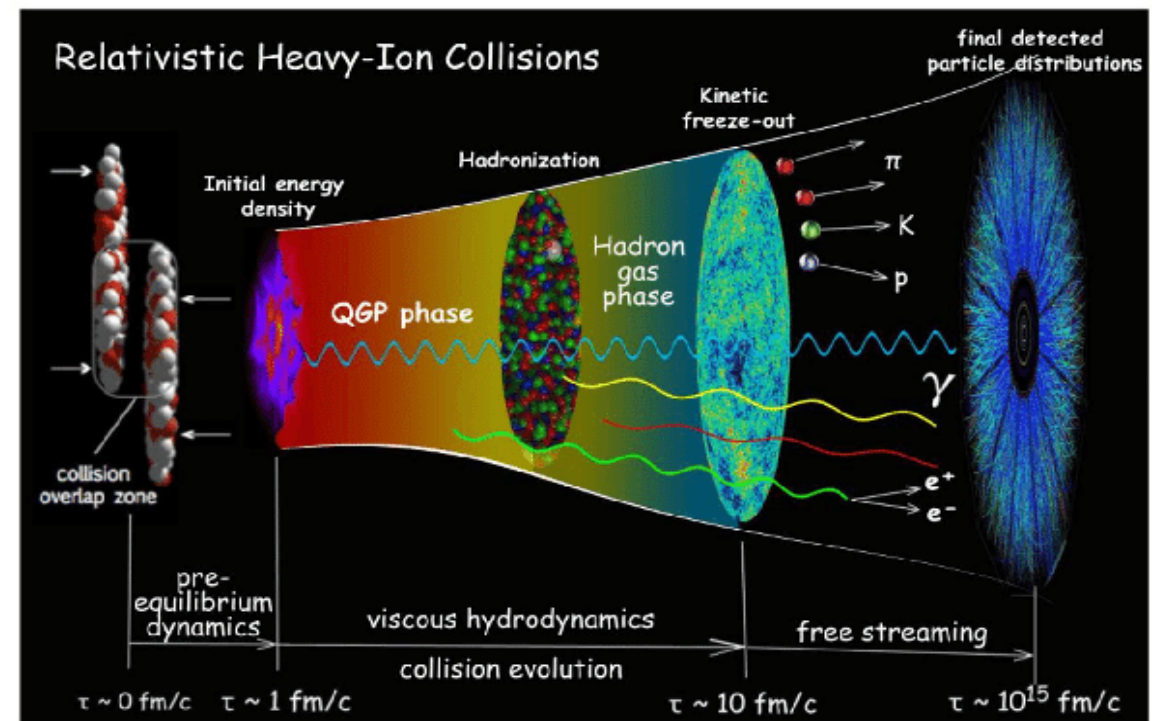


One of the greatest challenges in physics: asymmetry between matter and antimatter

Big Bang of Universe

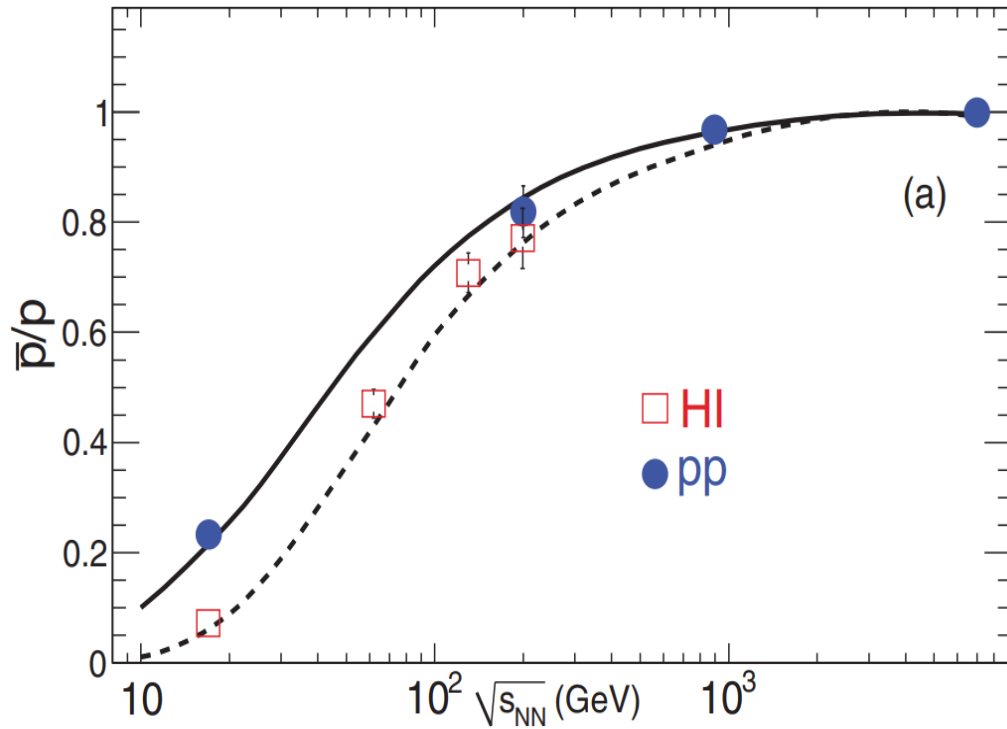


Little Bang of HICs

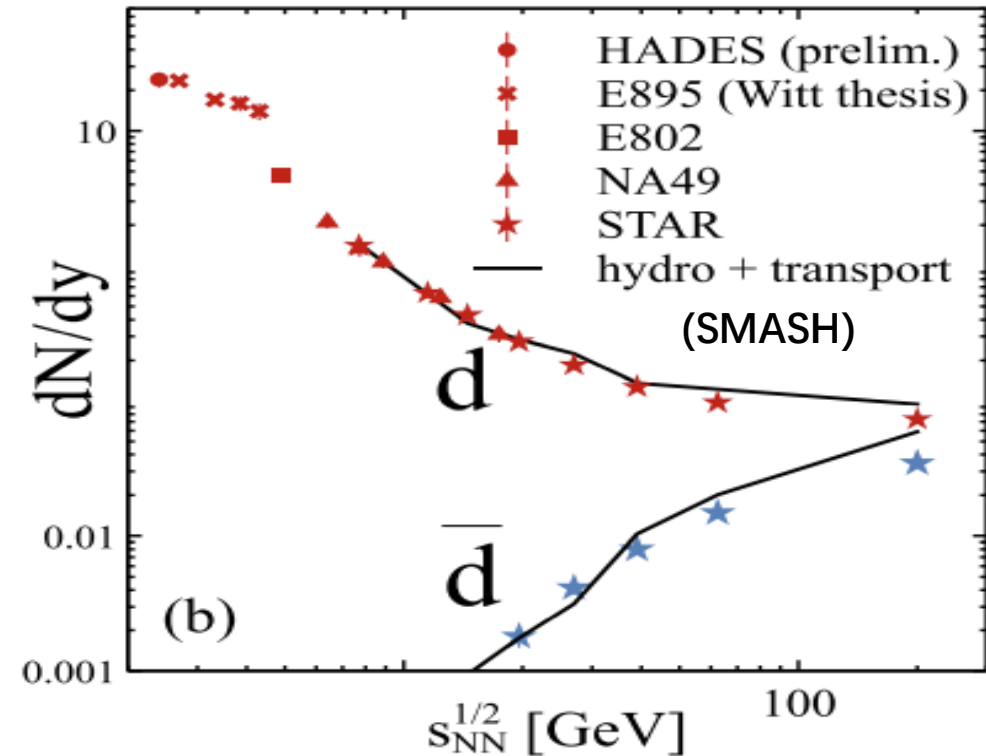


Motivation

Anti-proton and Anti-deuteron production in pp/AA collision



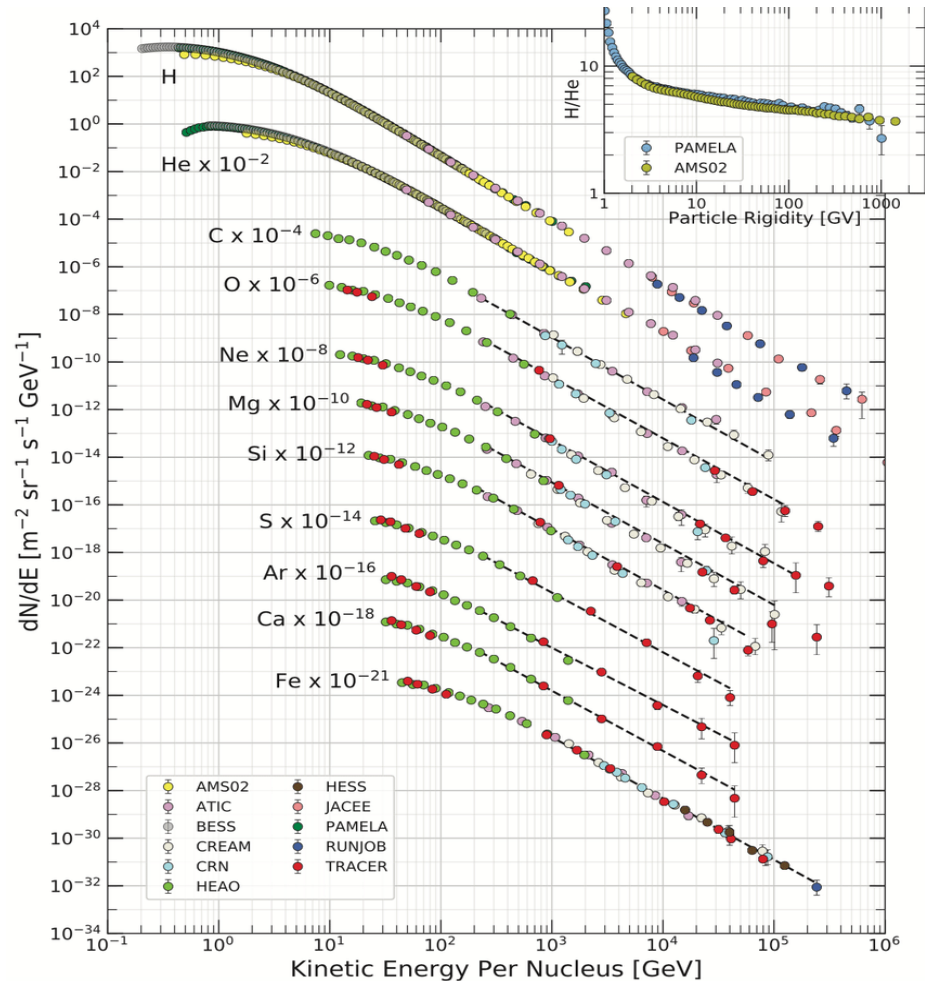
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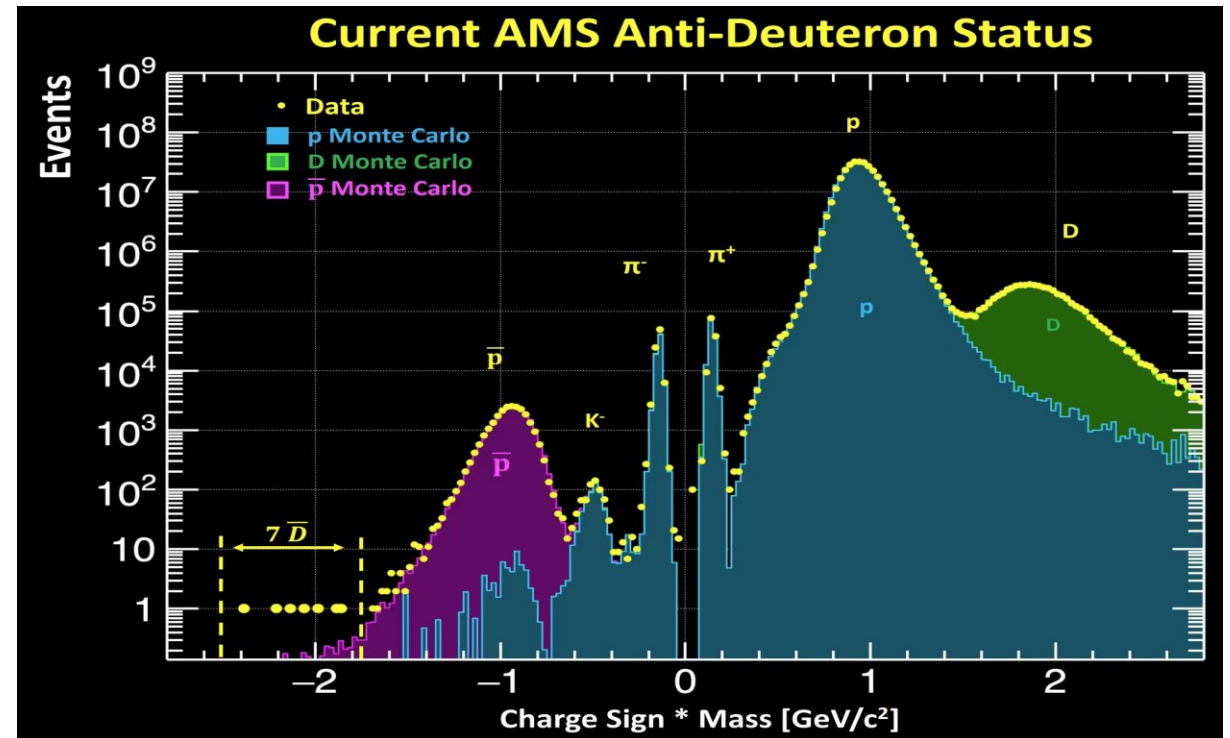
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Motivation

Cosmic-ray flux



So far, no anti-deuteron has been observed in cosmic-ray

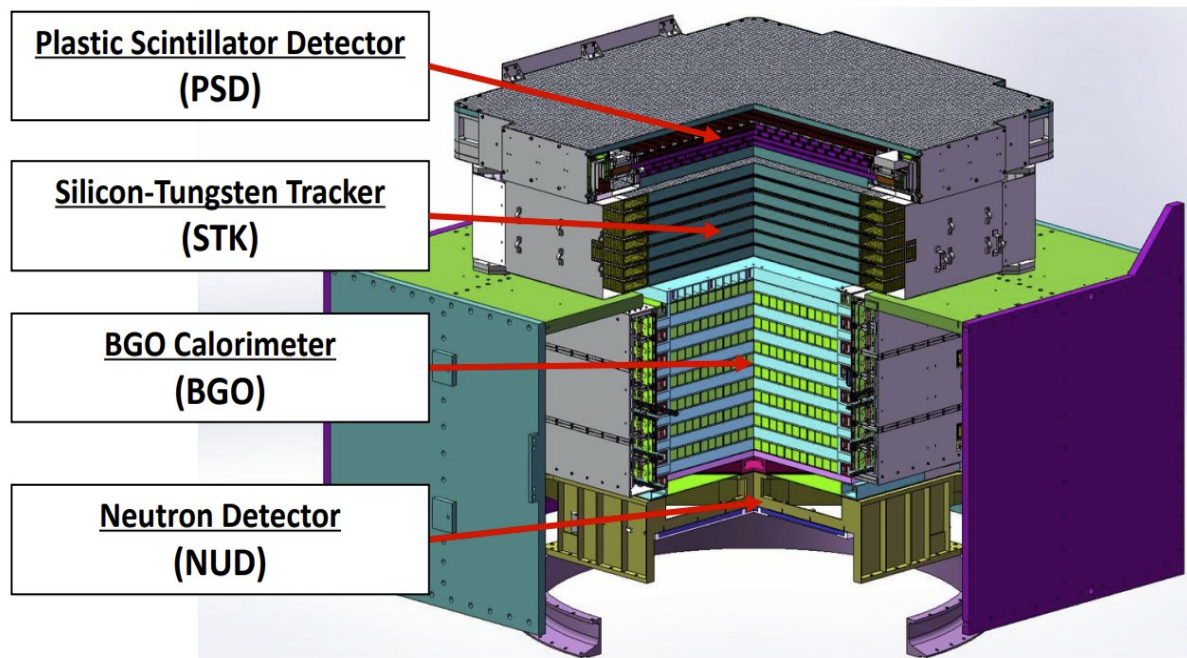


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Dark Matter Particle Explorer (DAMPE)



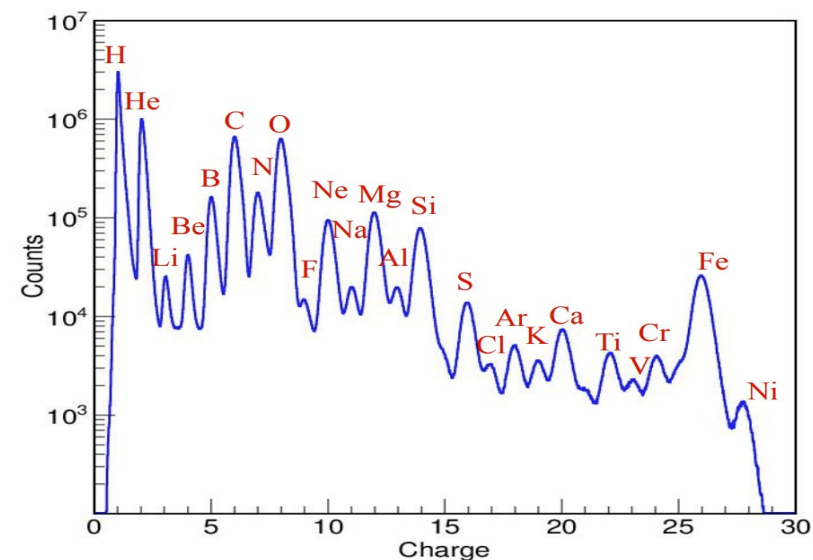
Dampe a big dE/dx -E telescope in space



dE/dx : PSD & STK
E: BGO Calorimeter

Charge measurement by the PSD

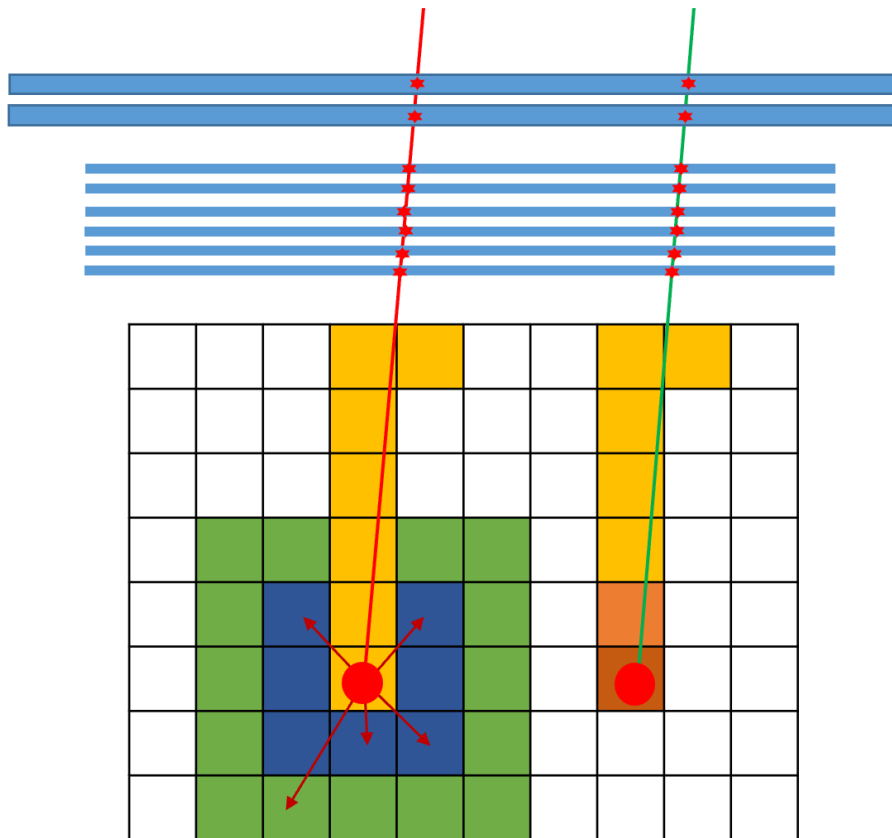
- Charge measurement (dE/dx in PSD, STK and BGO)
- Pair production and precise tracking (STK and BGO)
- Precise energy measurement (BGO bars)
- Hadron rejection (BGO and neutron detector)



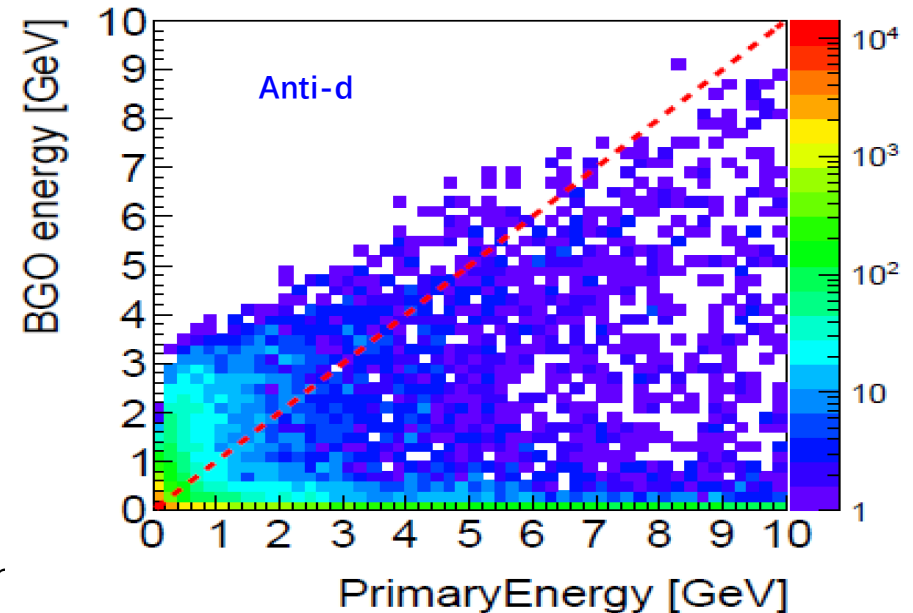
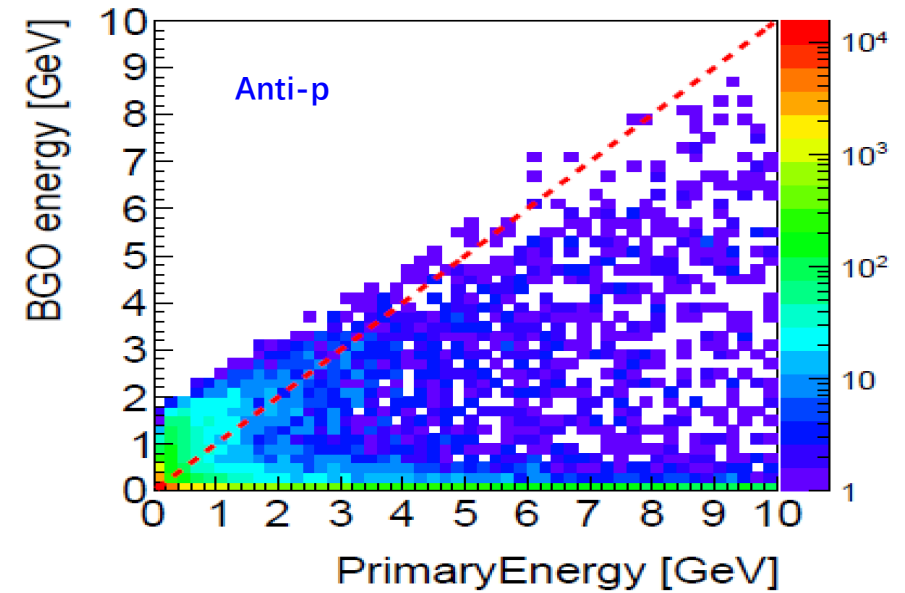
Basic idea for low-energy anti-nuclei



Anti-Nuclei Nuclei



Additional energy release due to matter-antimatter annihilation



PCA (Principal component analysis)

$$\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{U} \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{V}^*$$

$$m \times n = m \times m \quad m \times n \quad n \times n$$

$$\mathbf{U} \mathbf{U}^* = \mathbf{I}_m$$

$$\mathbf{V} \mathbf{V}^* = \mathbf{I}_n$$

Singular value decomposition finds the eigenvectors of the covariance matrix.

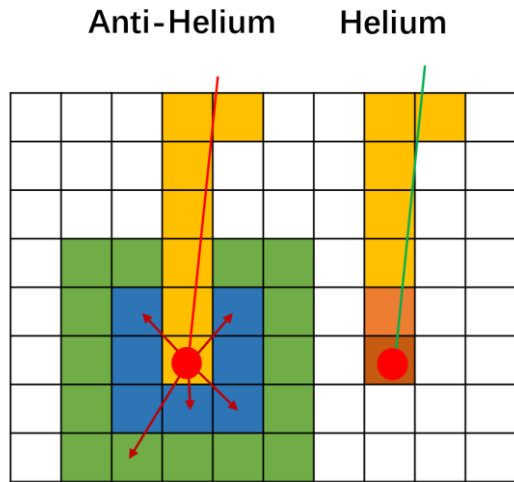
Find the direction corresponding to the largest eigenvector of the covariance matrix.

Tool: `sklearn.decomposition.PCA`

$$X'_{m,k} = X_{(m,n)} \cdot R_{(n,k)}$$

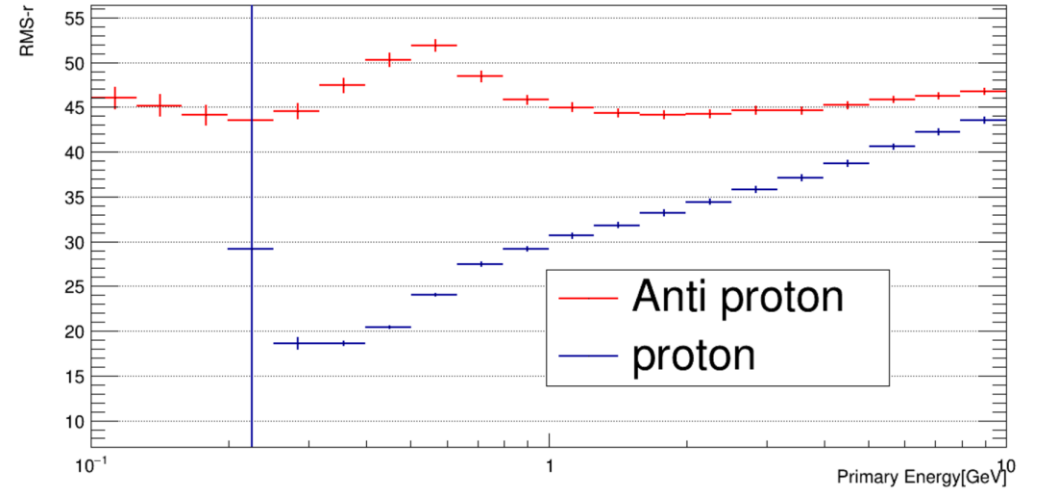
reducing from m-dimensional space to k-dimensional space.

PCA machine learning method



PCA variables:

- 1) EBGO_Total
- 2) EBGO_max
- 3) STKQ
- 4) PSDQ
- 5) EC1 (Blue)
- 6) EC2 (Green)
- 7) nEC1
- 8) nEC2
- 9) EMax/Ebgo
- 10) EC1/Ebgo
- 11) EC2/Ebgo
- 12) EC1/EMax
- 13) EC2/EMax
- 14) EC1/EC2



$$\text{RMS}_r = \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^N E_j \times D_j^2 / E_{\text{total}}},$$

$$\text{RMS}_i = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{j=1}^{22} E_{ij} \times (d_{ij} - d_i^{\text{cog}})^2}{\sum_{j=1}^{22} E_{ij}}}, \quad i = 0, \dots, 13,$$

$$\text{RMS}'_i = \text{RMS}_i \times (\cos \theta)^\gamma \times \alpha_i$$

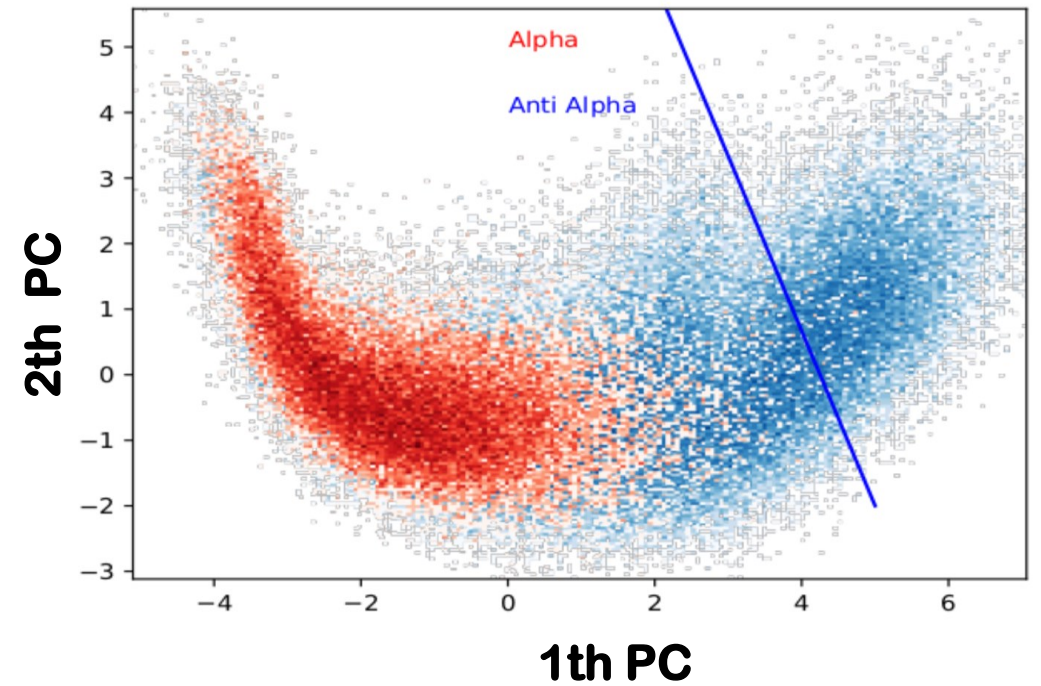
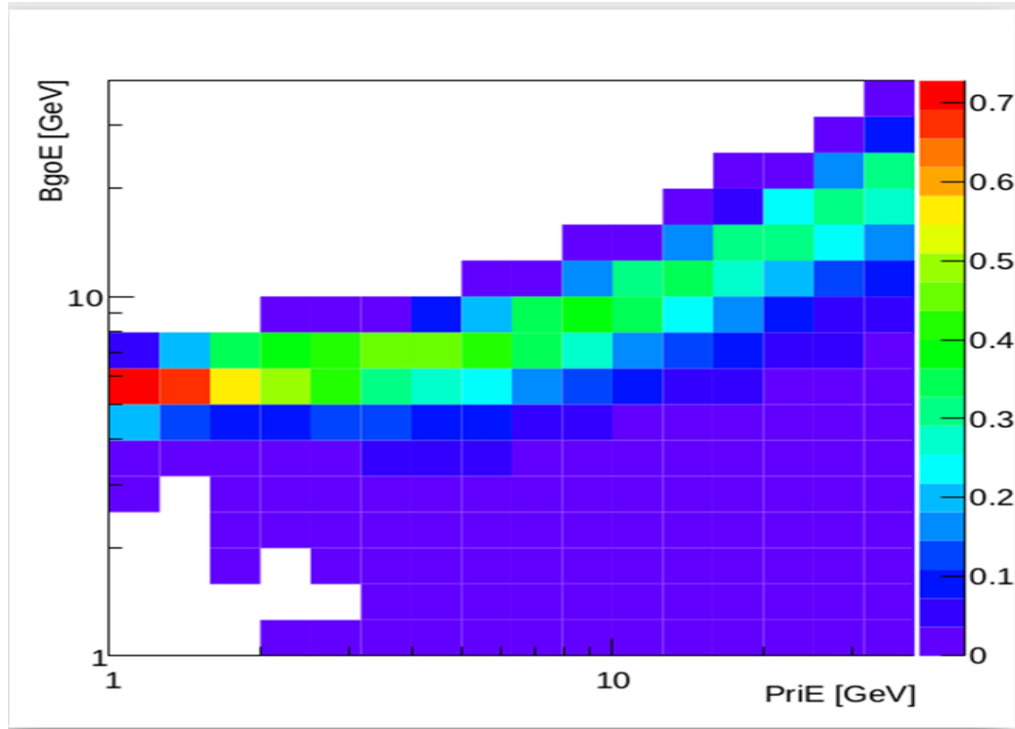
$$F'_i = F_i \times \beta_i,$$

$$\text{EC1}' = \text{EC1} \times \zeta,$$

..... **Extract characteristic variables**

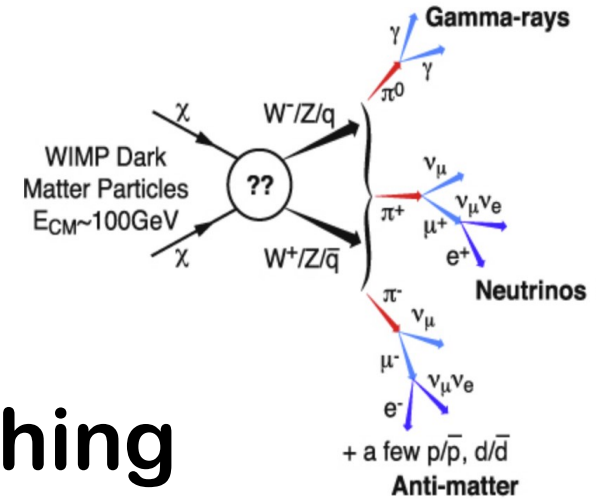
Very-Preliminary results

Energy response matrix



Summary

- **Anti-matters searching in cosmic-ray**
 - **The cluster formation mechanism**
 - **Important input for dark matter searching**

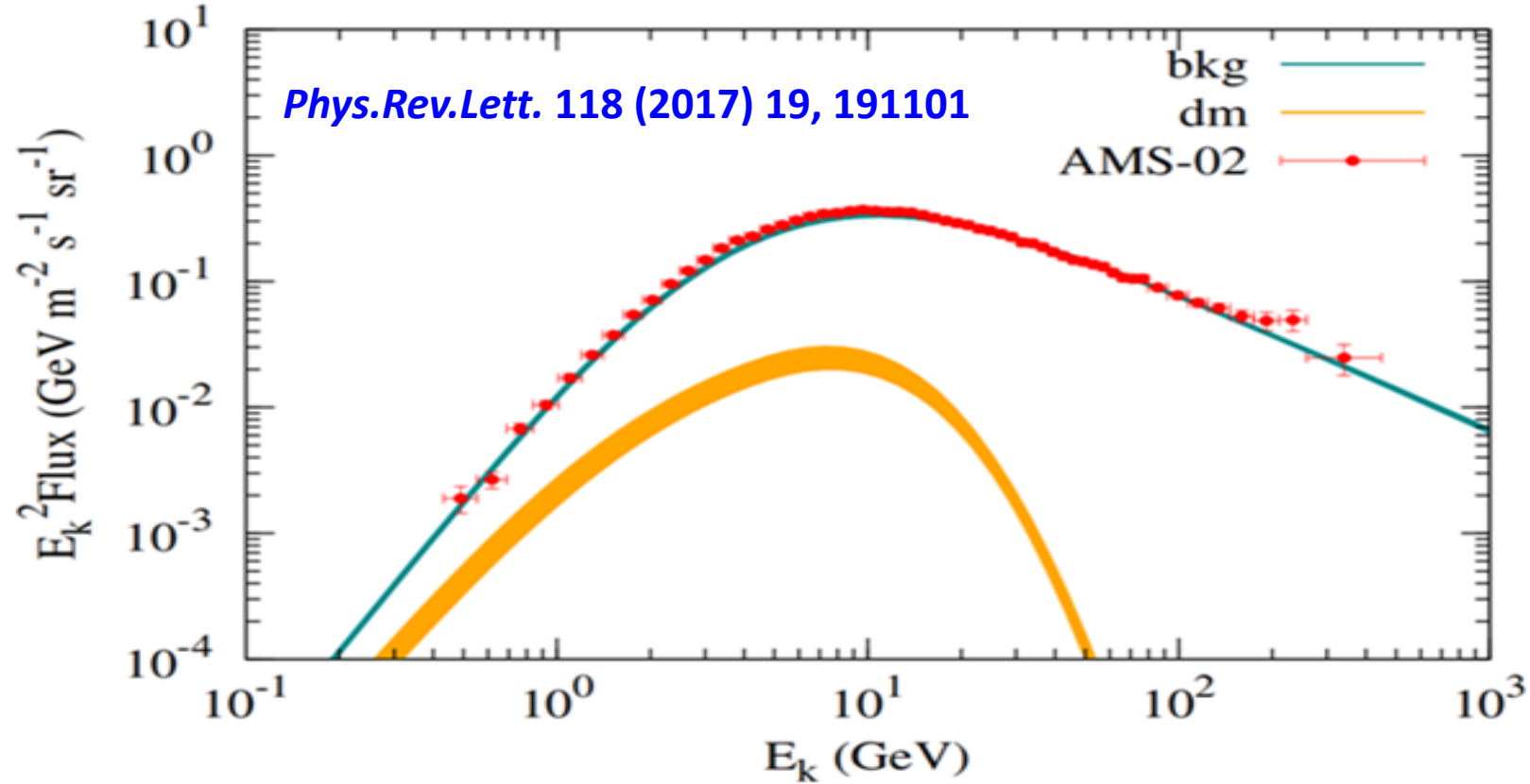


- **DAMPE is a largest ΔE -E detector in space**
- **PCA based machine learning method for searching anti-d and anti-⁴He in cosmic-ray is on-going**

Backup

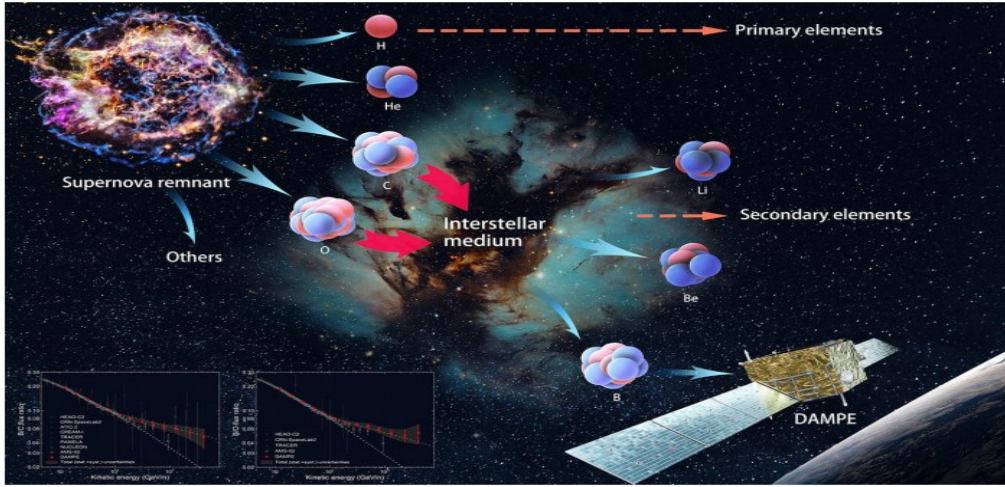
(Dark Matter in Antiproton Cosmic Rays)

Anti-Proton Spectrum



Anti-Proton annihilation energy relative lower, it's hard to identify $p\bar{p}$.

Cosmic Ray Propagation



$$\frac{\partial \psi(\vec{r}, p, t)}{\partial t} = q(\vec{r}, p) \text{ sources (SNR, nuclear reactions...)}$$

diffusion $+ \vec{\nabla} \cdot [D_{xx} \vec{\nabla} \psi - \vec{V} \psi]$

diffusive reacceleration $+ \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \left[p^2 D_{pp} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial p} \right]$ (diffusion in the momentum space)

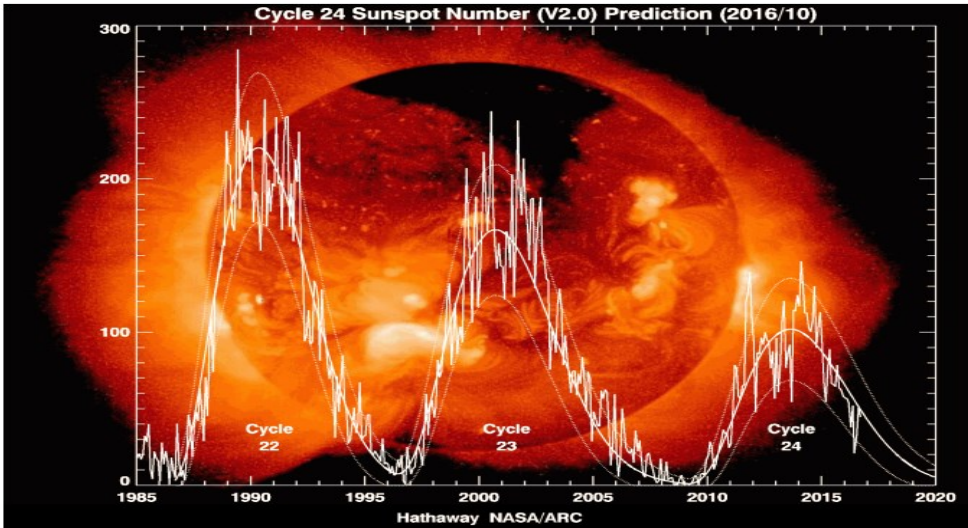
E-loss $- \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \left[\frac{dp}{dt} \psi - \frac{1}{3} p \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{V} \psi \right]$

convection (Galactic wind)

fragmentation $- \frac{\psi}{\tau_f} - \frac{\psi}{\tau_d}$ **radioactive decay**

+ boundary conditions

$\psi(\vec{r}, p, t)$ – density per total momentum

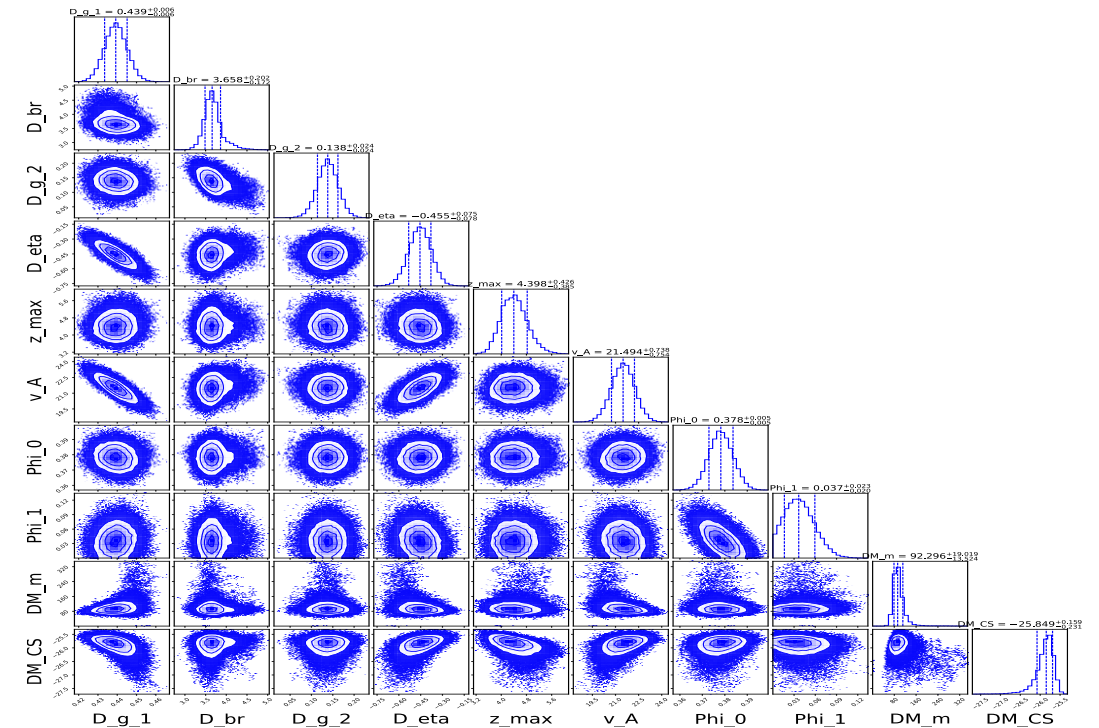
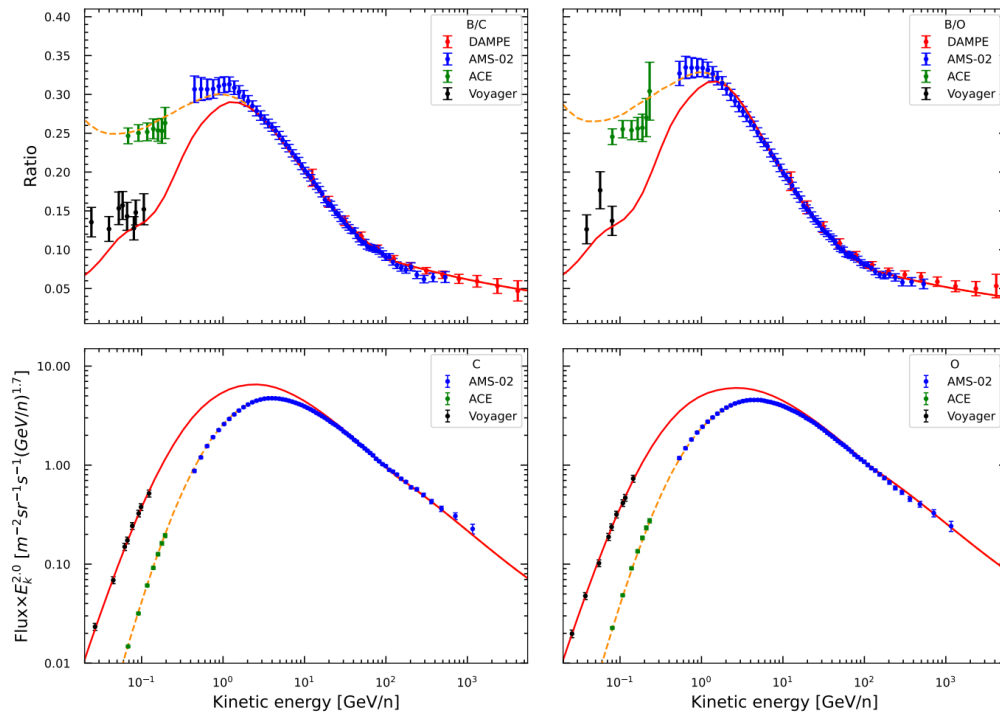


力场近似:

$$J^{\text{TOA}}(E) = J^{\text{LIS}}(E + \Phi) \times \frac{E(E + 2m_p)}{(E + \Phi)(E + \Phi + 2m_p)}$$

E : 动能、 m_p : 质子静止质量。

Solve Cosmic ray Propagation Equation

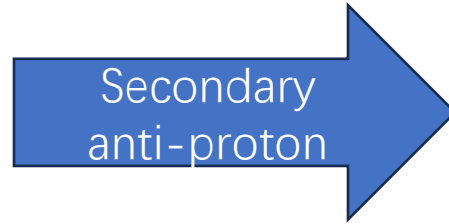
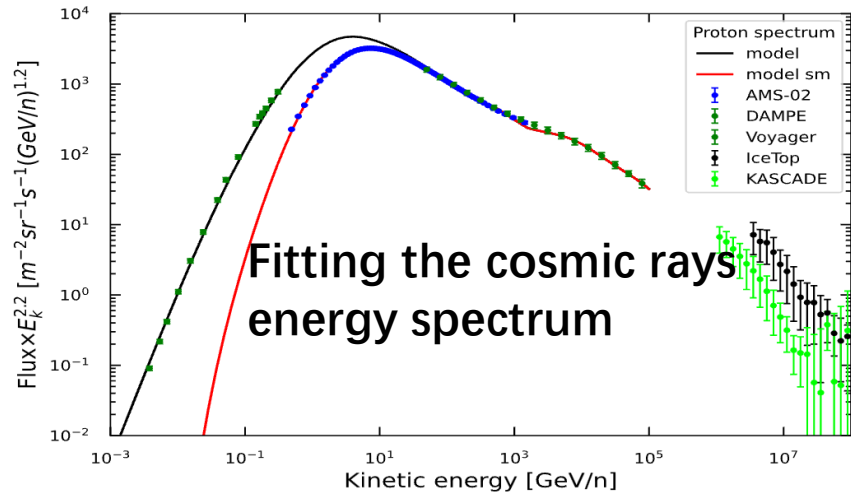


Galprop + MCMC
Global Fitting all cosmic ray spectrum.

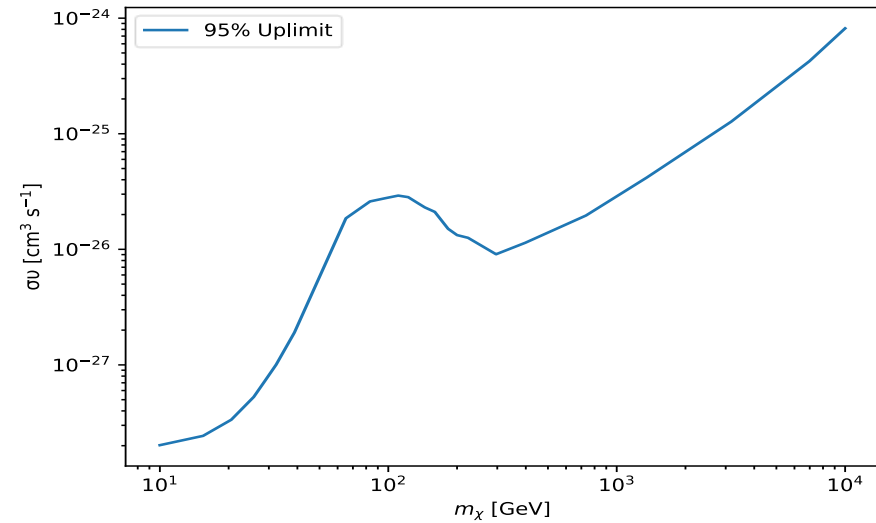
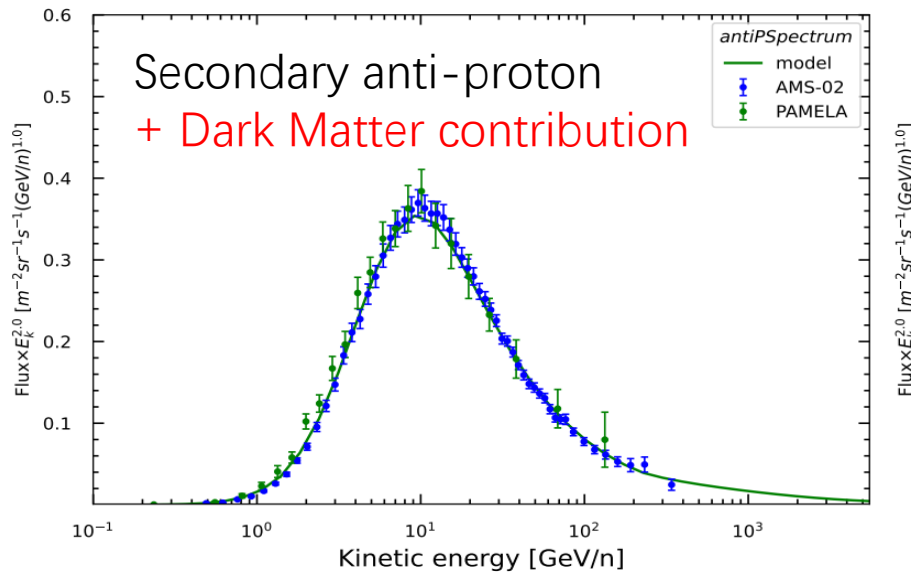
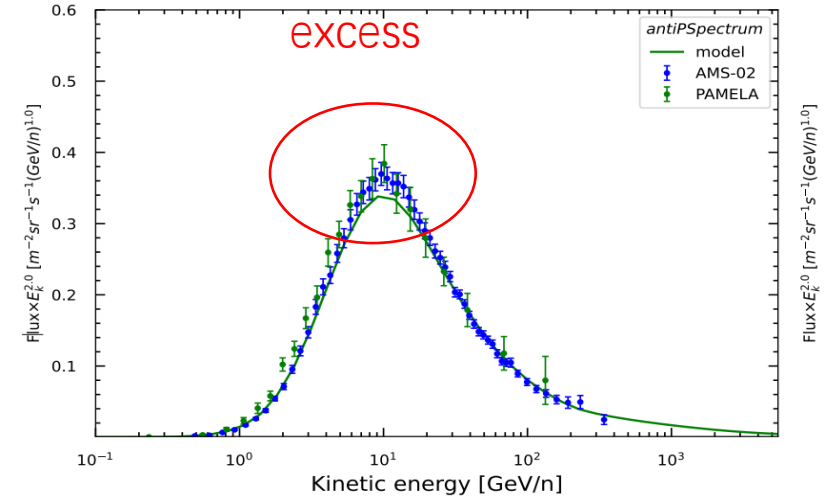
The distribution of cosmic rays propagation

We find solar modulation and propagation module does not affect the excess of anti-proton

Anti-Proton excess

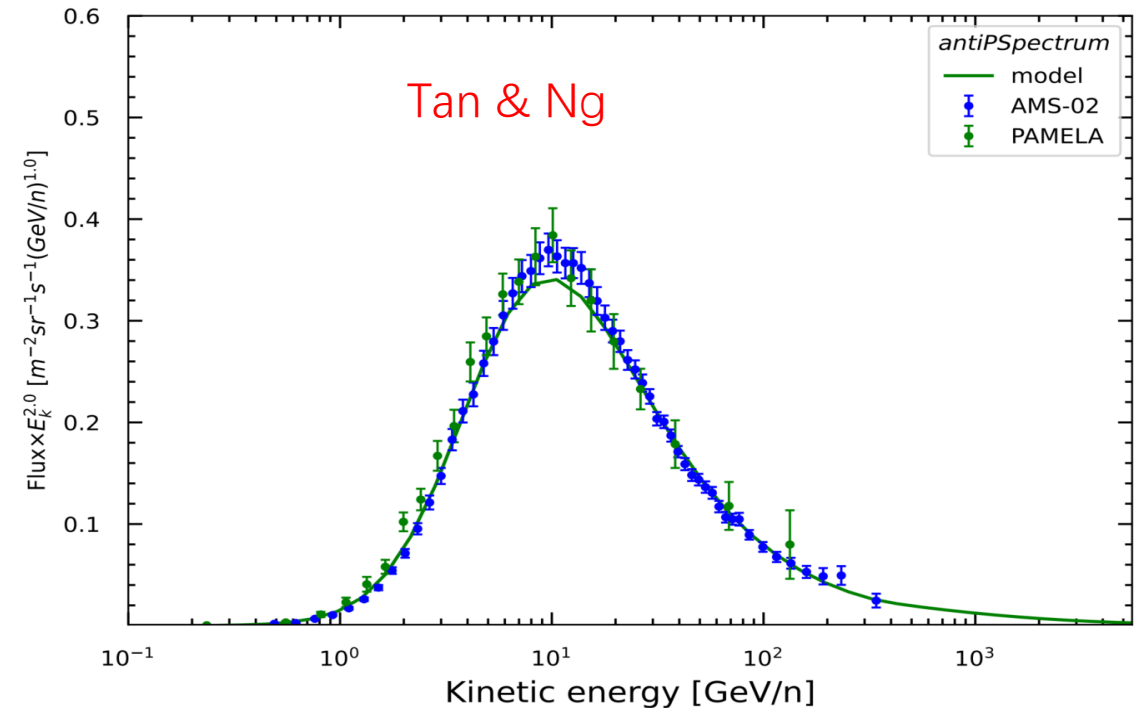
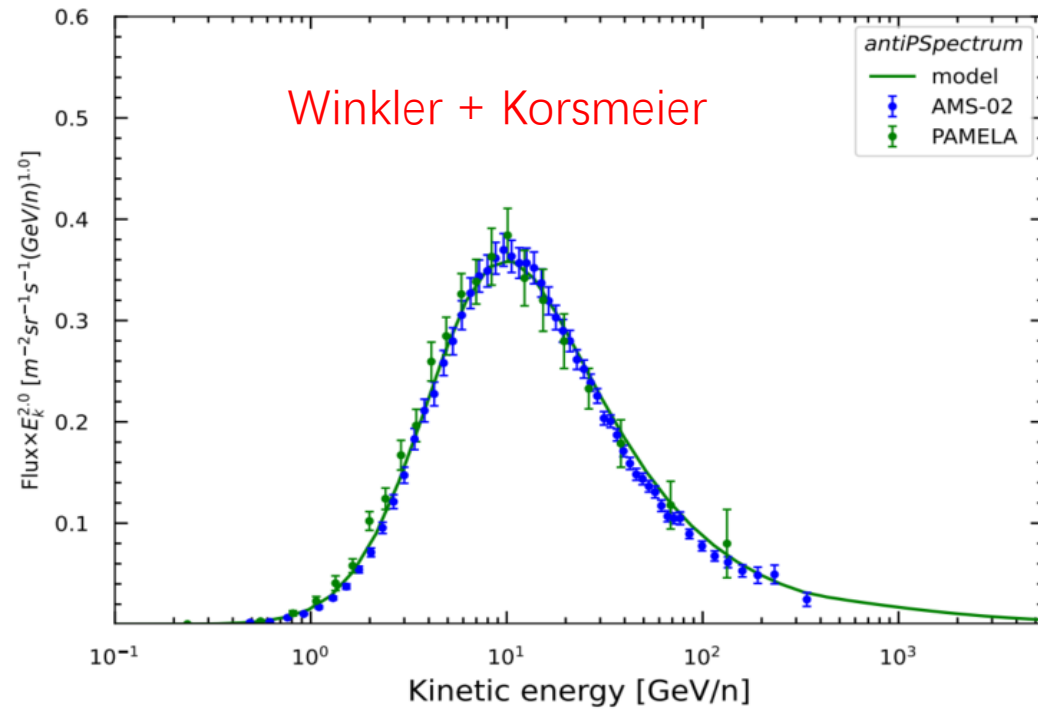


nuclei-nuclei collision



The 95% credible upper limits of the DM annihilation cross section

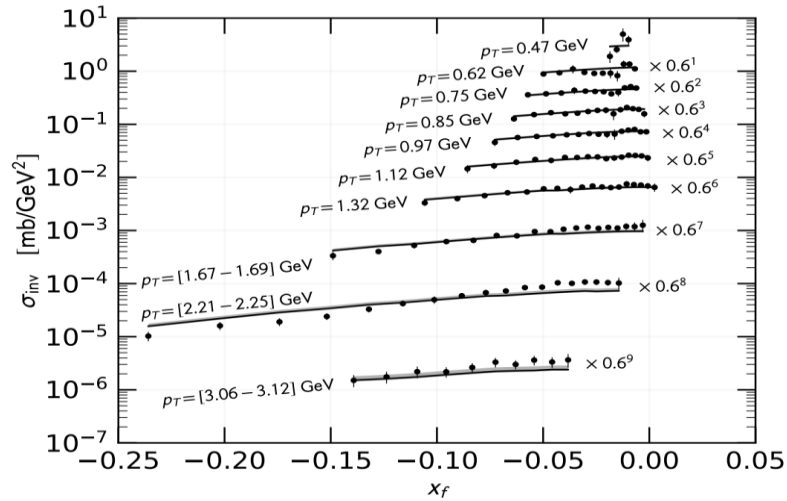
Different nuclei-nuclei collision Cross-section



Collision affect the flux of secondary cosmic ray antiprotons.

However, W-K models does not need dark matter contribution, but the predictions are higher than the measurements in both the low-energy and high-energy regions.

Nucleus-Nucleus collision cross section



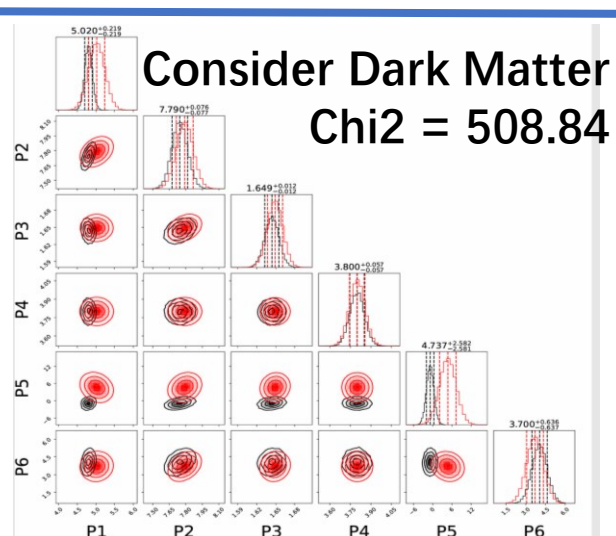
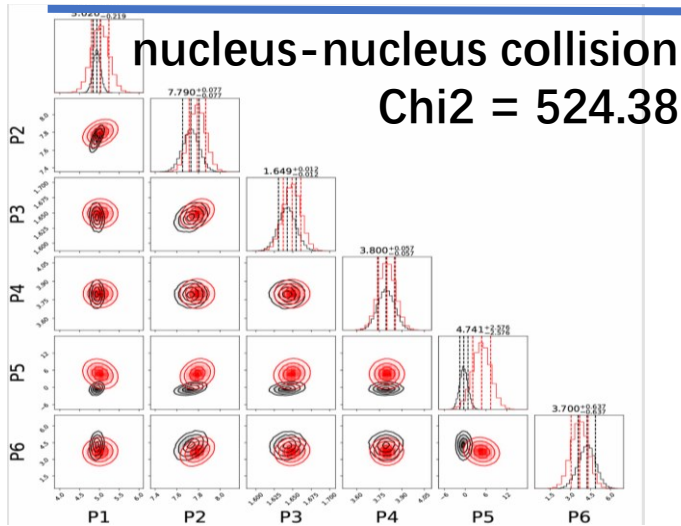
$$\sigma_{\text{inv}}(\sqrt{s}, x_R, p_T) = \sigma_{\text{in}} R C_1 (1 - x_R)^{C_2}$$

$$\times \left[1 + \frac{X}{\text{GeV}} (m_T - m_p) \right]^{\frac{-1}{C_3 X}}$$

here $m_T = \sqrt{p_T^2 + m_p^2}$. The factor

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

- ✓ Parametrized Differential N-N collision Cross Section
- ✓ C5 is a normalization parameters in low energy.
- ✓ C1 is normalization parameters for all energy range.



The uncertainty in nucleon-nucleon collision cross-sections can explain the excess of cosmic ray antiprotons. However, the confidence level for the existence of dark matter remains at 3.5σ . Therefore, more precise nucleon-nucleon collision cross-sections will help understand whether there is indeed dark matter in cosmic ray antiprotons.