# Antiproton-to-Proton flux ratio measurement of AMS02

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### **Evidence of Dark Matter**





#### **Three independent methods to search for Dark Matter**

#### Annihilation

HESS, HAWC, VERITAS, MAGIC, IceCube, ... PAMELA, FERMI, CALET, DAMPE, AMS, ...



#### **Dark Matter Searches at AMS**

e<sup>+</sup> and p
are rare species in cosmic rays The collision of cosmic rays with interstellar medium(ISM) will produce e<sup>+</sup> and p



M. Turner and F. Wilczek, Phys. Rev. D42 (1990) 1001; J. Ellis 26<sup>th</sup> ICRC (1999)  $\chi + \chi \rightarrow e^+$ ,  $\overline{p}$  + ...

The collision of dark matter particles will produce additional e<sup>+</sup> and p

The excess of  $e^+$  and  $\overline{p}$  can be accurately measured by AMS

## **Physics of AMS**

- Searches for Dark Matter through simultaneous observation of positron, antiproton, ...
- A long duration mission for precision measurements of elementary particles and nuclei in cosmic rays
- Searches for primordial antimatter
- Understanding the origin and propagation of cosmic rays

#### **Alpha Magnetic Spectrometer**



#### Transition Radiation Detector (TRD)











### Silicon Tracker and Magnet



1.4 kG



#### Maximum Detectable Rigidity(MDR) 2.0 TV for Z=1 particles

### Electromagnetic Calorimeter (ECAL)



- 17 X<sub>0</sub>, 3D measurement of the directions and energies of e<sup>±</sup> to TeV
- Energy scale and resolution measured with test beam
- Identify e<sup>±</sup> by 3D shower shape
- Proton rejection is above 10<sup>4</sup> with ECAL and Tracker



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### Particle signals in AMS detector

0.3 TeV	<b>e-</b>	<b>e</b> +	Ρ	He	γ	
TRD	<b>≺≺≺</b> ≺	444			Ŷ	
TOF	T	T	T	V	γ	
Tracker					$\bigwedge$	
RICH	0	0	Q	and the second s	0 0	
Calorimeter						

### **Electron and Proton identification in AMS**

Redundant particle identification using TRD, ECAL and Tracker



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#### Event pre-selection for the $\overline{p}/p$ analysis

- Primary cosmic ray particle:
  - |R| > 1.2 × max cutoff
  - Good RTI
- TOF:
  - Down-going particle
  - <mark>β>0.3</mark>
  - 0.8 < |Q| < 1.6
- TRD:
  - Single TRD track
  - at least 12 hits
- TRACKER:
  - Single Tracker track
  - Track quality
  - 0.7 < |Q| < 1.4
- ECAL:
  - ECAL quality
  - Hadron shower shape

**Event Display** 



Data sample 350,000 antiprotons are selected in the rigidity range 1–450 GV <sup>12/52</sup>

#### R = −363 GV antiproton

### Analysis strategy



## Low rigidity region (R < 3 GV)

Key analysis : RICH Veto Goal : Control  $\pi/e^{-}$  B.G.

 RICH Veto to control π/e<sup>-</sup> background. ( Develop together with CIEMAT group, publish in Chinese Physic C )

Ziyuan Li et al., Chinese Physics C Vol. 41, No. 5 (2017) 056001

• Template fitting on  $1/\beta_{\text{TOF}}$  distribution to get the final antiproton counting

### Low rigidity challenge



### Interaction removal cuts



TrTofTrd No 0 ld=12 p= -1.24 0.035 M= 0.463± 0.14  $\theta$ =2.94  $\phi$ =5.66 Q= 1  $\beta$ = 0.9365± 0.0345  $\beta$ h= 0.940± 0.039  $\theta$ \_M 54.9° Coo=(17.54, 3.90, 53.04) LT 0.73 $\theta$ \_G 2.49 i #0 NHits 8 (x:6, y:8, xy:6)Pattern: -1 XXXXXXXX, DefFit: 1041, Chi2 1.410 Pirig -1.235 Chirig -1.303 Rigidity: -1.237 Err(1/R): 0.02276 P0: 26.388 -2.087 0.000 Dir: -0.1633 0.

## **RICH Veto**

### **Key parameters :**

• N<sub>pe</sub> : Number of good reconstructed Photoelectrons corresponding to track ( Remove noise p.e. produce by particle passing through PMT, remove noise p.e. produce by secondary particle )

• N<sub>exppe</sub> : Expected number of Photoelectrons based on Electron assumption and Ray Tracing MC simulation

## **RICH Veto : Idea**

#### In Theory :

- β<sub>threshold,AGL</sub> = 0.95
- The corresponding rigidity for p
   (p) with β<sub>threshold,AGL</sub> is 3 GV. Therefore below 3 GV, proton will not produce Cherenkov light when passing through AGL, while for electrons Cherenkov light emission is expected.

#### In Reality :

Events with zero N<sub>pe</sub> could be electrons where Cherenkov radiation was lost or absorbed due to one of possible effects like Rayleigh Scattering, total reflection in aerogel radiator, reflection or absorption on the mirror surface, falling into non-active area, light guide losses, etc.



## RICH Veto : N<sub>exppe</sub>

**Ray Tracing Integration Method:** 

• Starting from the impact point of the particle on top of the radiator, a number of rays (NSTP) on a conical surface around the particle trajectory are propagated through the RICH to the detection plane. This procedure is repeated NSTL times along the particle path inside the radiator.

$$N_{Exppe} = \int d\lambda d\phi dx \alpha \frac{q(\lambda)}{\lambda^2} \sin^2 \theta_c(n,\beta) eff(\overrightarrow{r},\overrightarrow{u}) f(l_r,l_f,l_g) \sim \alpha \sum_{i=1}^{NL} \Delta \lambda_i \frac{q(\lambda_i)}{\lambda_i^2} \sin^2 \theta_c(n,\beta) \Delta x \sum_{i=1}^{NSTL} \Delta \phi \sum_{j=1}^{NSTP} eff(\overrightarrow{r_i},\overrightarrow{u_j}) f(\overrightarrow{r_i},\overrightarrow{u_j}).$$
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### RICH Veto (R < 3 GV)

Efficiency : 20%



### RICH Veto (R < 3 GV)

Efficiency: 88%



## Mass ID by TOF



### Template Fit

- Data sample to be fitted
  - negative events after rich veto selection
- Signal template
  - high statistic protons
- Background template
  - electrons and pions with RICH ring



To make the fit rigidity independent, a normalization is done:

$$\Delta \boldsymbol{\beta}_{ToF} / \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\boldsymbol{\beta}_{ToF}^{-1}} = (\frac{\mathbf{1}}{\boldsymbol{\beta}_{ToF}} - \frac{\mathbf{1}}{\boldsymbol{\beta}_{rig,p}}) / \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{\boldsymbol{\beta}_{ToF}^{-1}}$$

 $\beta_{rig,p}$  is the theoretical value from rigidity measurement and assumption of proton mass.

### Template Fit example



Middle rigidity region (3 - 50 GV)

Key analysis : TRD estimator Goal : Maximize the statistics

• Events within Ecal fiducial volume Cut based analysis with TRD and Ecal BDT

• Events outside Ecal fiducial volume Template fit on TRD estimator



#### Antiproton signal is well separated from the backgrounds

### **RICH Beta Band**

#### AGL

NaF



$$f(R) = (1 \pm \sigma_{beta}) \cdot \sqrt{(1 \pm \sigma_{rig}) \cdot (\frac{m_p}{R})^2 + 1}$$

#### **Require events to locate within RICH beta band**

### Template fit on TRD estimator



## High rigidity region ( > 50 GV )

Key analysis : Charge Confusion Estimator Goal : Keep charge confusion (CC) under control

• High energy antiprotons can only separate from protons with tracker, therefore tracker relative variables are used to construct Charge Confusion Estimator

• Template fit on Charge Confusion Estimator to get antiproton counting

### Tracker Relative Variables for Charge Confusion Estimator

Variables are basically rigidity independent after normalization

- $R_{innL1}/R_{innL9} 1$ 
  - Rigidity mismatch for InnL1 and InnL9 pattern
- $R_{FS}/R_{inn} 1$ 
  - Rigidity mismatch for Full Span and Inner pattern
- Log<sub>10</sub>(Chi2Y)
  - Tracker Fitting χ<sup>2</sup> on Y axis
- Chi2Y<sub>FS</sub> Chi2Y<sub>inn</sub>
  - $\chi^2$  mismatch for Full Span and Inner pattern
- ResidualY<sub>L1</sub>
  - The residual for L1 hit position and Inner extrapolate L1 position
- ResidualY<sub>L9</sub>
  - The residual for L9 hit position and Inner extrapolate L9 position

### **Charge Confusion Estimator**

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### Template fit on Charge Confusion Estimator

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### **Acceptance Correction**

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The acceptance for p and  $\overline{p}$  is

- Monte Carlo simulation approach to calculate acceptance.
- N<sub>gen</sub> events generated, N<sub>sel</sub> events pass the same selection as ISS data.

### **Unfolding : Folded Acceptance**

- Iteration method (Step i):
  - Reweight MC proton by proton flux :  $\phi^p$
  - Reweight MC antiproton by  $\phi^{p} \times (\bar{p}/p)_{i-1}$
  - Calculate the acceptance correction factor  $(A_p/A_{\bar{p}})_i$
  - Apply the correction and update the antiproton ratio (p/p);

![](_page_34_Figure_6.jpeg)

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 $(\frac{\bar{p}}{p})_i = \frac{\Phi_i^{\bar{p}}}{\Phi_i^p} = \frac{N_i^{\bar{p}}}{N_i^p} \cdot \frac{A_i^p}{A_i^{\bar{p}}} = \frac{\widetilde{N}_i^{\bar{p}}}{\widetilde{N}_i^p} \cdot \frac{\widetilde{A}_i^p}{\widetilde{A}_i^{\bar{p}}}$ 

### Systematic Error

#### • Charge Confusion

• Scan fit range to change template shape

#### • Template Fluctuation

- At high energy, fluctuate charge confusion template
- At Middle and low energy, fluctuate background template

#### • Acceptance

• Cross section ratio uncertainty

#### • Selection

• Vary cut values of variables

#### • Rigidity Scale

• Tracker misalignment

Systematic Error : Charge Confusion

- Scan fit range to change template shape
- Fit the result by Gaussian function and assign the sigma as systematic error cause by Charge Confusion.

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**Systematic Error : Template Fluctuation** 

• Fluctuate background template within statistical error

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### **Systematic Error : Acceptance**

• By changing proton MC inelastic cross section  $\pm$  10% we can know how much influence on acceptance correction ratio.

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### Systematic Error : Selection

- Vary cut values of the variables that are not sensitive to charge confusion.
- The width subtracted by pure fluctuation gives the systematic error of selection dependence.

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### Systematic Error : Rigidity Scale

• The error on the absolute rigidity scale due to the residual misalignment of the tracker planes was estimated by comparing the electron/positron energy measured in the ECAL with the momentum in the tracker. It was estimated to be 1/26 TV<sup>-1</sup>.

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### Error Breakdown : Systematic Error

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### Error Breakdown : Total Error

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### Antiproton/proton flux ratio

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### **Result Comparison**

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![](_page_45_Figure_0.jpeg)

**Unexpected results: the rigidity dependence of e<sup>+</sup>, p**, p are identical from ~60 to ~500 GV

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## Unexpected results: the rigidity dependence of e<sup>+</sup>, p , p are identical from ~60 to ~500 GV

e<sup>-</sup> has a different rigidity dependence.

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### AMS p/p results and modeling

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#### **Recent models of antiproton production**

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The precision and comprehensive data from AMS allows for the exploration of new phenomena

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#### Measuring antiproton through the life time of Space Station

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#### By collecting more data, AMS will explore to higher rigidity with better accuracy

## Thanks for your attention !

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Back Up

#### In 6 years AMS has collected over 100 billion events.

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#### AMS will continue to collect data in the life time of ISS (2024)

### **TRD performance on the ISS**

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### **ECAL Performance on the ISS**

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#### **Detector Calibration and Monte Carlo simulation**

#### **Detector calibration**

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#### **Monte Carlo simulation**

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10,000 CPU cores at CERN + regional centers Intensive Test Beam @ CERN: Particle type: p, e<sup>±</sup>, π<sup>±</sup> Energy (10–400 GeV) Position (2000)

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#### Monte Carlo simulation:

- **1.** Interactions (physics and materials)
- 2. Digitization (electronics)

**Results in data-like events** 

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#### Positron Fraction: 5 years data

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#### Additional source of high energy electrons and positrons

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Primary source of cosmic ray positron

#### Additional source of high energy electrons and positrons

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- The same source in the precision electron flux
- **Common source of electrons and positrons by Charge Symmetry Process** ۲
- **Require comprehensive modelling of cosmic rays to understand its origin**<sub>61</sub>

Alternative Models to explain the AMS Positron Flux and **Positron Fraction Measurements** 

- **Modified Propagation of Cosmic Rays**
- **Supernova Remnants**
- **Pulsars**

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AMS Measurements on Positron, Electron anisotropy and on antiprotons will also help distinguish different models

### By 2024, AMS will distinguish Dark

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### **Cross section difference**

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### **AMS proton flux**

New information: The proton flux cannot be described by a single power law =  $CR^{\gamma}$ 

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