

The AMS Experiment: A Magnetic Spectrometer in Space

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AMS Experiment

- **AMS is a particle physics experiment in space**
- **The AMS experiment is mostly built in Europe**
- **The use of the Space Shuttle and the Space Station is based on a NASA – US DOE MOU (1995)**
- **The AMS collaboration has the responsibility for assessing the experiment's quality and merit and for the construction of AMS**
- **NASA is not involved in the construction of AMS**

ALPHA MAGNETIC SPECTROMETER (AMS) ON THE SHUTTLE AND THE INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION

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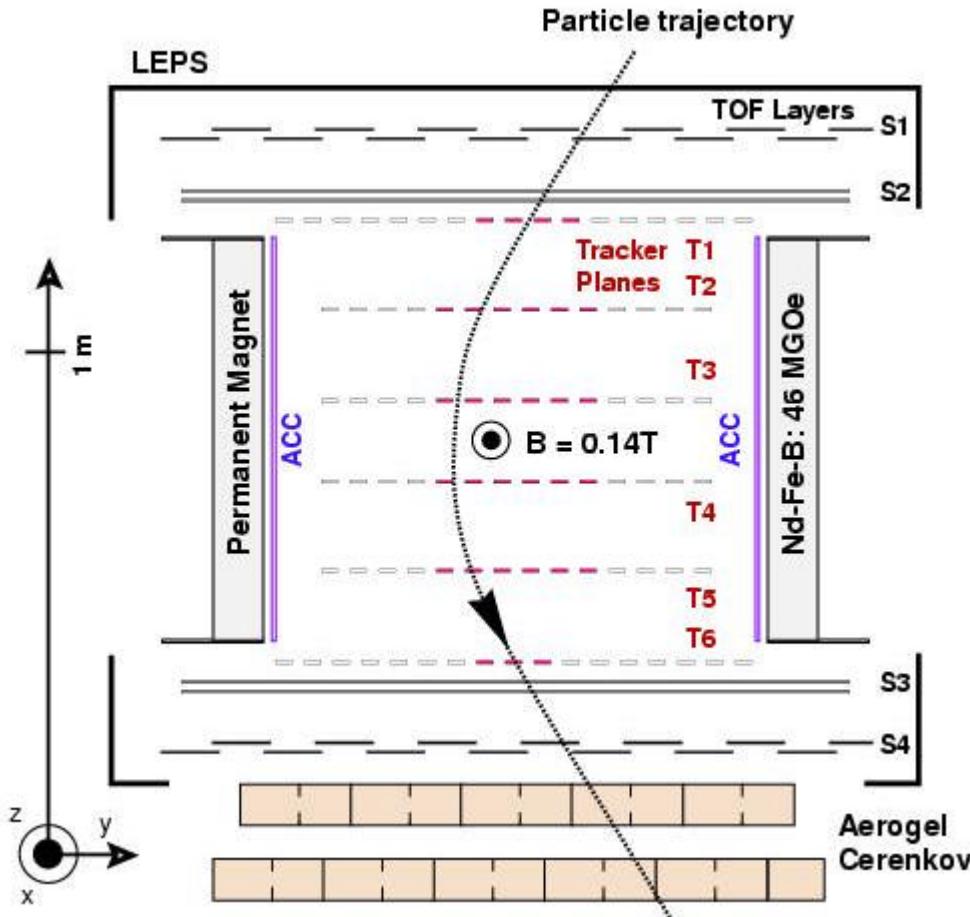
AMS Physics Goals

- Antimatter search ($\overline{\text{He}}, \overline{\text{C}}$) with a sensitivity 10^3 to 10^4 better than current limits.
- Dark Matter search
 - High statistics precision measurements of e^\pm , \overline{p} and γ spectra
- Astrophysics studies
 - High statistics precision measurements of light isotope spectra

AMS Experimental Program

- Precursor flight aboard the Space Shuttle
 - ? Instrumental
 - ? Background Studies
- Long duration (3-year) mission at the International Space Station (ISS)

AMS-01 Spectrometer

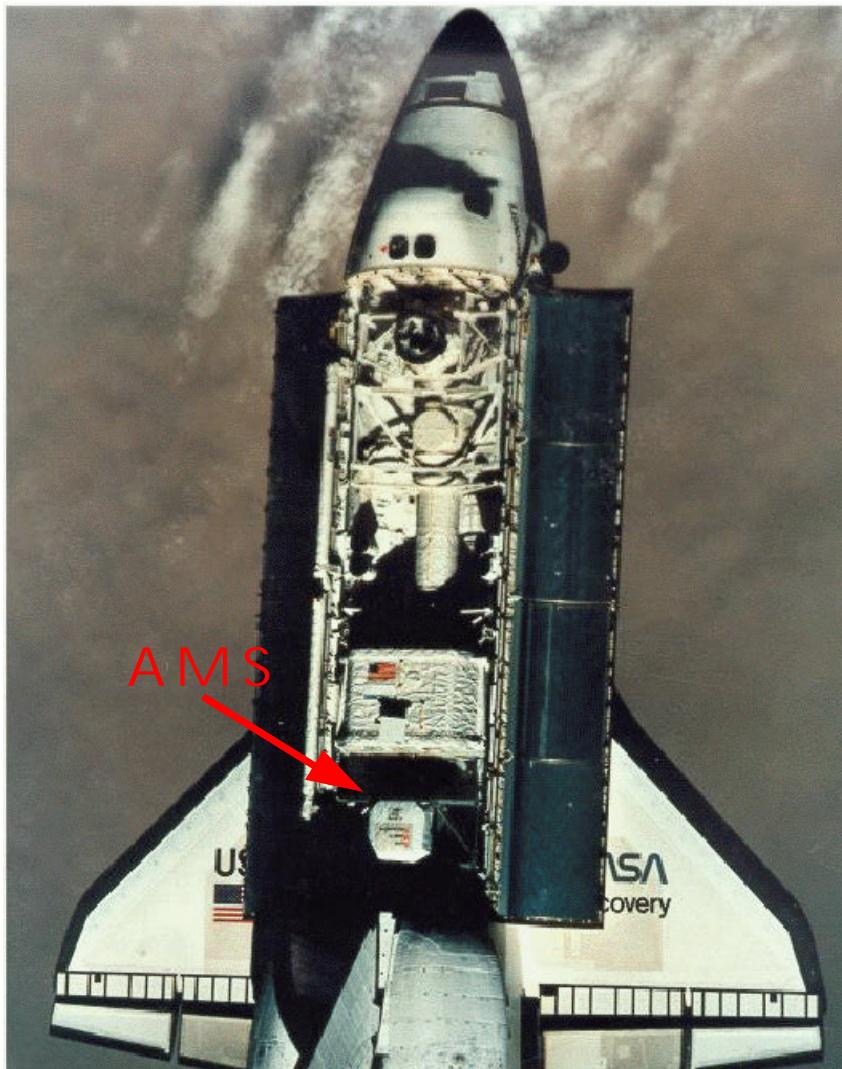


- Permanent Magnet
- Silicon Tracker
- Scintillator System
- Threshold Cerenkov

WEIGHT	3 T
POWER	1 KW

Acceptance: $0.3 \text{ m}^2\text{sr}$

STS-91 Flight



JUNE 2-12, 1998

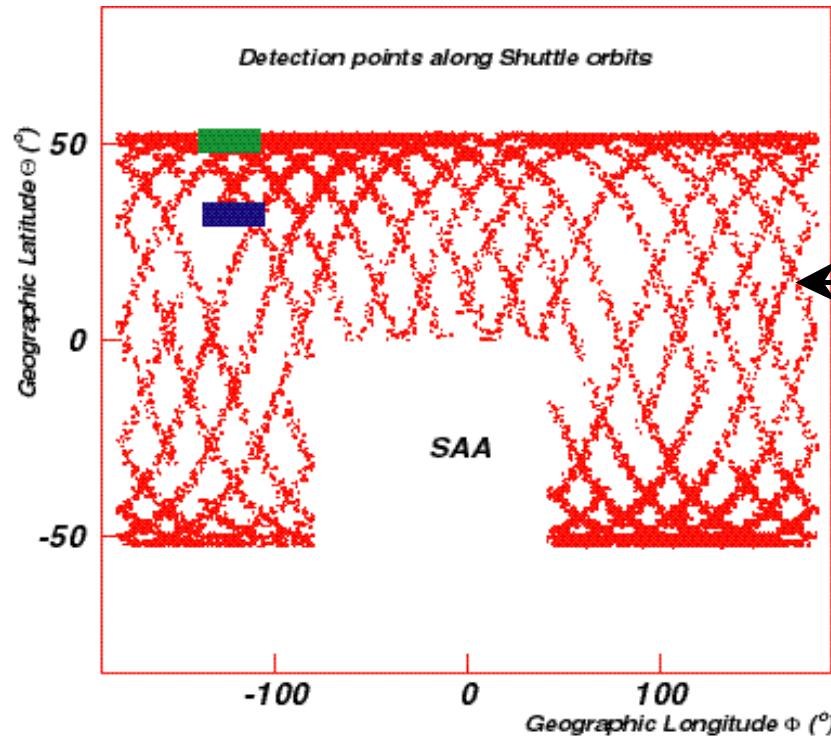
Orbital Parameters

Inclination 51.7°
Altitude 320-390 km
Period 91 min

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Trigger rate 100 – 700 Hz
100 Million events on tape

AMS-01 Geographic Coverage



155-Orbit
map

	Cutoffs(GV)	Latitudes	Longitudes
AMS		+/- 51.7	all (SAA excluded)
BESS98	<0.5		(Lynn Lake - Canada)
CAPRICE94		+56.5 N	101-117 W (Lynn Lake - Canada)
MASS91	4.3	+34 N	104 W (Forth Sumner)
IMAX92	0.37-0.63	+56.5 N	101-118 W (Lynn Lake - Canada)
LEAP87	0.6-1.1	n.a.	n.a. (Prince Albert - Canada)

AMS-01 Post-flight Activities

Calibration & Alignment

✓ He & C beams @ GSI (Darmstadt)

1.0-5.6 GV 600 angles

45 Million Events

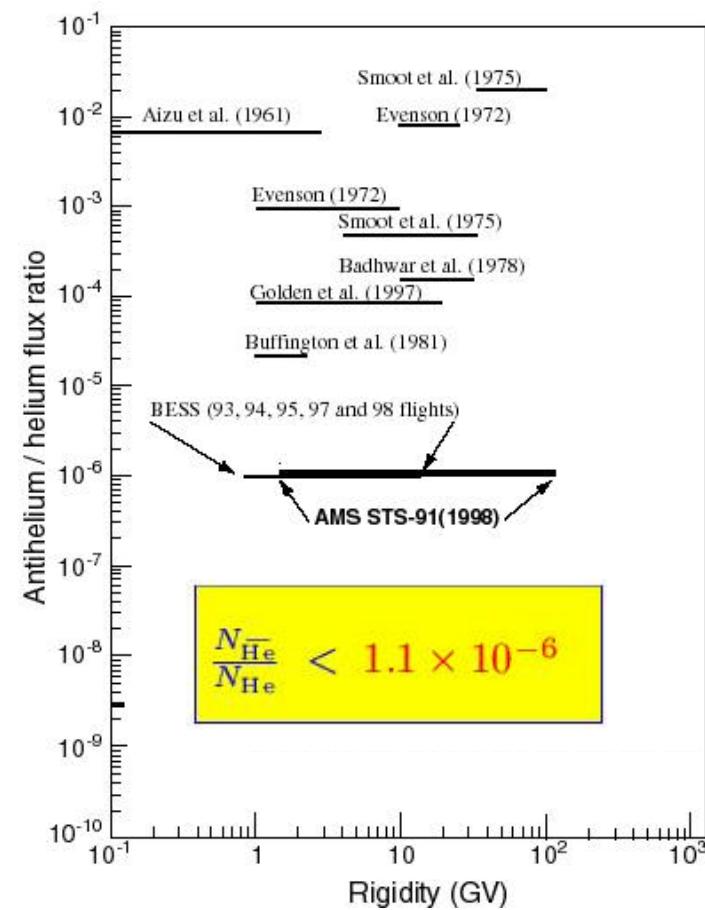
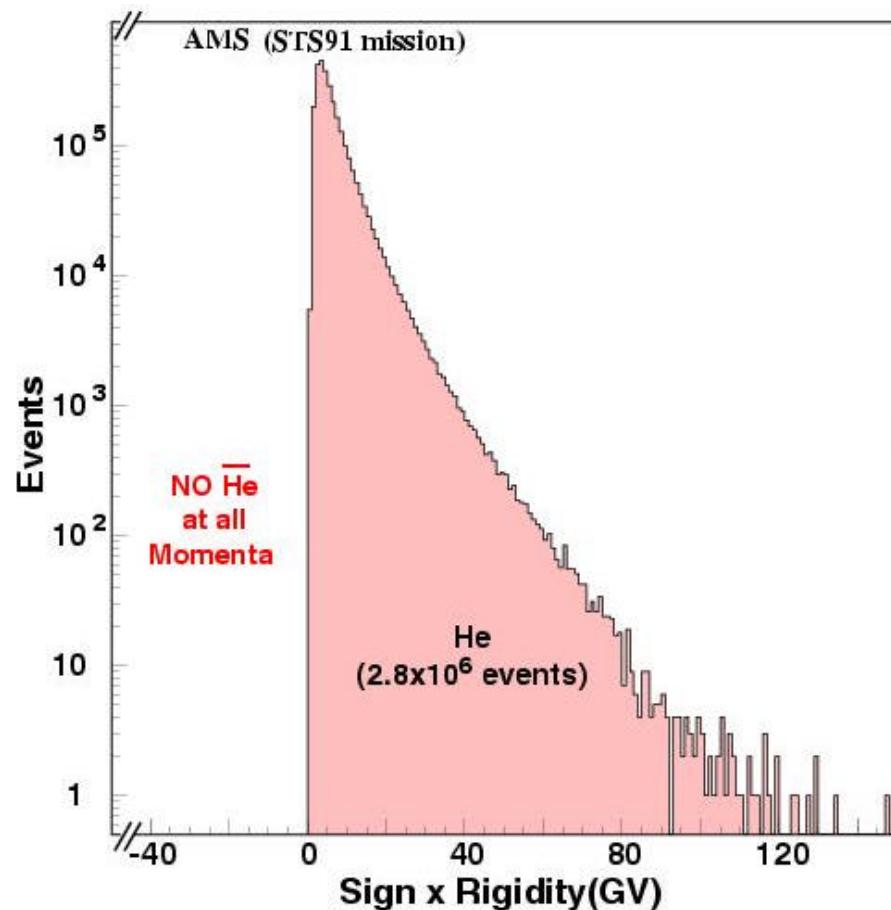
✓ Proton & Pion beam @ CERN

2–14 GeV 1200 angles

100 Million Events

AMS-01 Antimatter Search

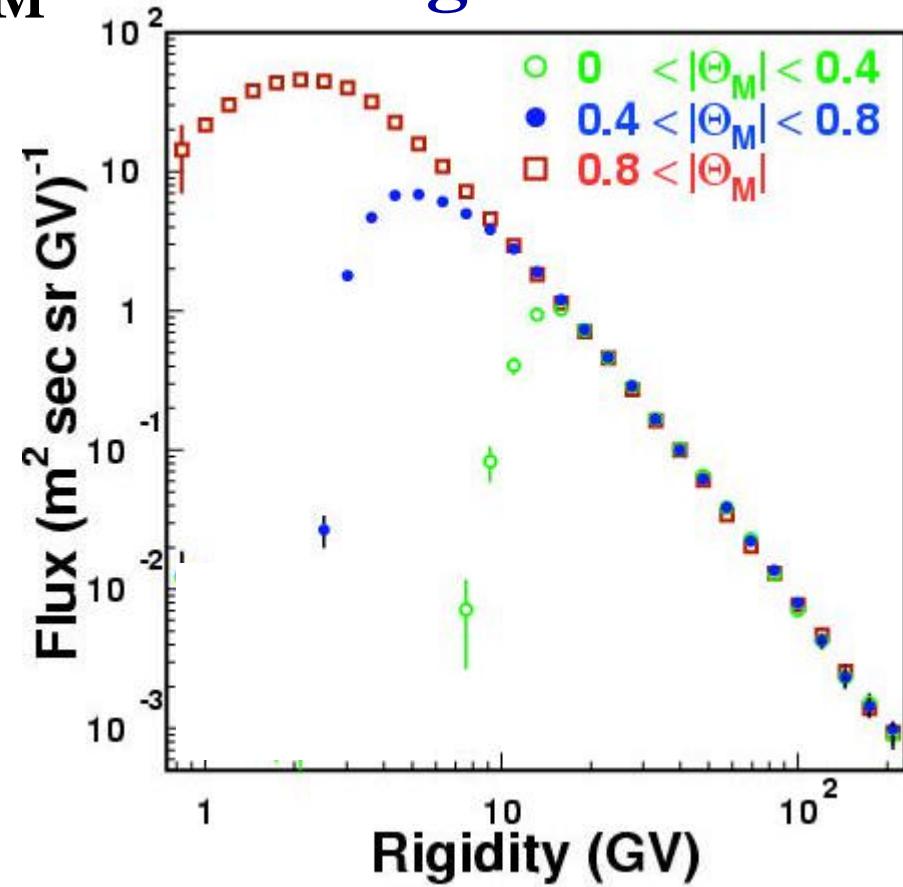
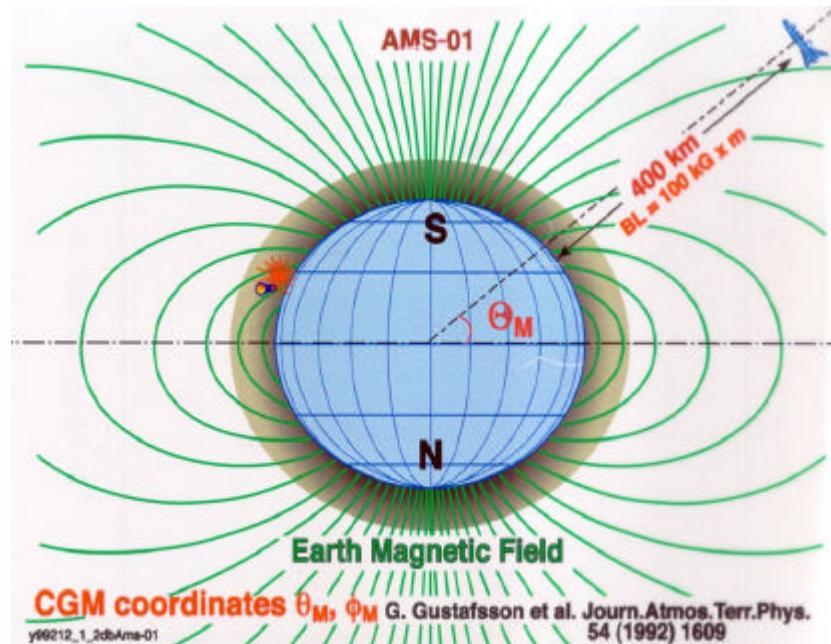
No $\bar{\text{He}}$ found in the range 1 – 140 GV



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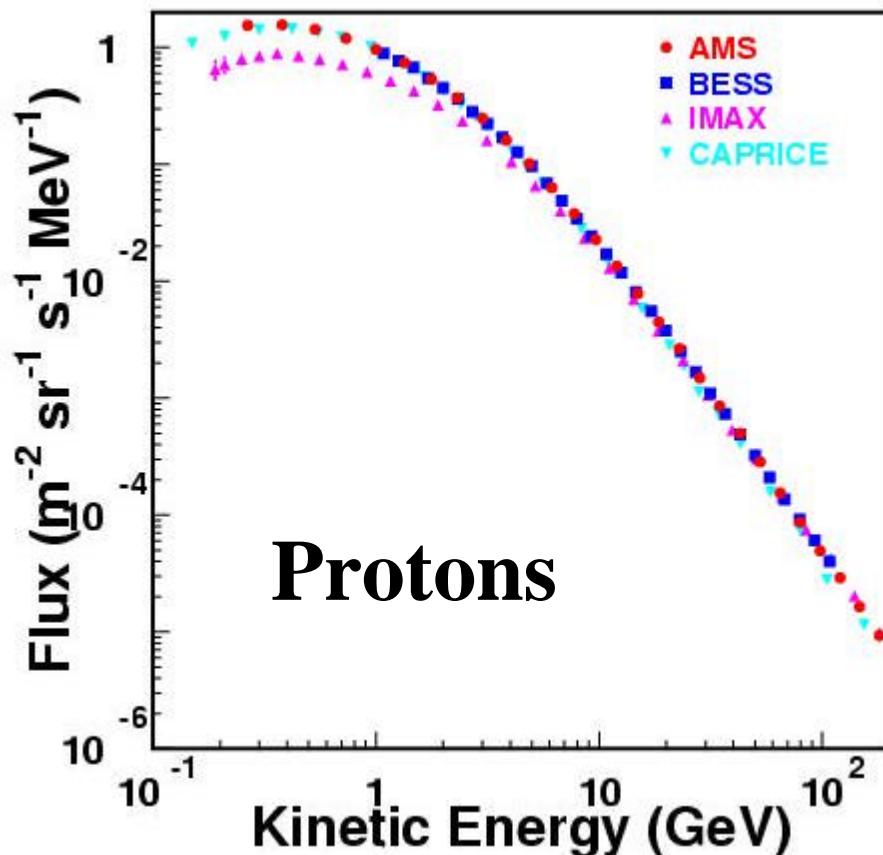
AMS-01 Cosmic Ray Spectra

Earth's Magnetic Field shielding depends on the
geomagnetic latitude T_M **Geomagnetic Cutoff**

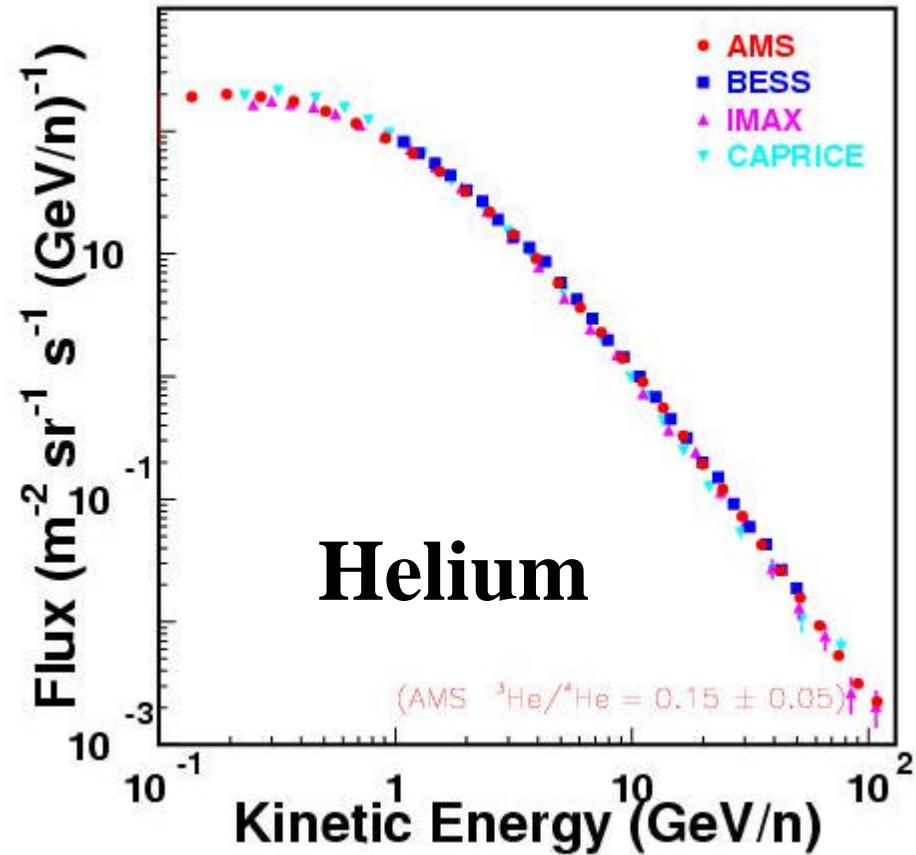


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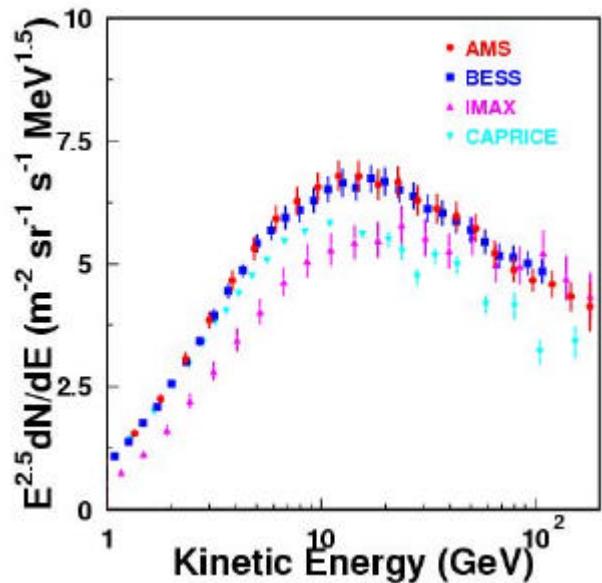
H $\sim 10^7$ events



He $\sim 10^6$ events



AMS-01 Protons & Helium



$$\Phi_0 R^{-\gamma_H} \quad (R > 10 \text{ GV})$$

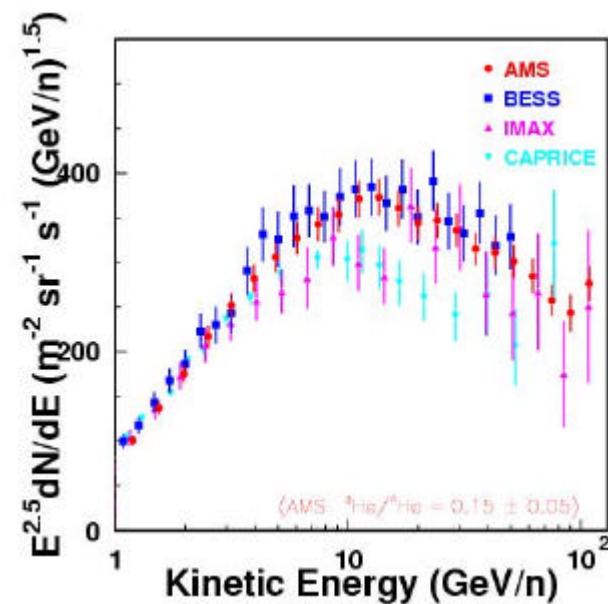
$$\gamma_H = 2.780 \pm 0.009 \text{ (fit)} \pm 0.019 \text{ (sys)}$$

$$\Phi_0 = 17.10 \pm 0.15 \text{ (fit)} \pm 1.30 \text{ (sys)} \pm 1.50 \quad (\gamma_H) \frac{\text{Hz GV}^{2.78}}{\text{m}^2 \text{ s sr MV}}$$

$$\Phi_0 R^{-\gamma_{He}} \quad (R > 20 \text{ GV})$$

$$\gamma_{He} = 2.740 \pm 0.010 \text{ (fit)} \pm 0.016 \text{ (sys)}$$

$$\Phi_0 = 2.52 \pm 0.09 \text{ (fit)} \pm 0.14 \text{ (sys)} \pm 0.14 \quad (\gamma_{He}) \frac{\text{Hz GV}^{2.74}}{\text{m}^2 \text{ s sr MV}}$$



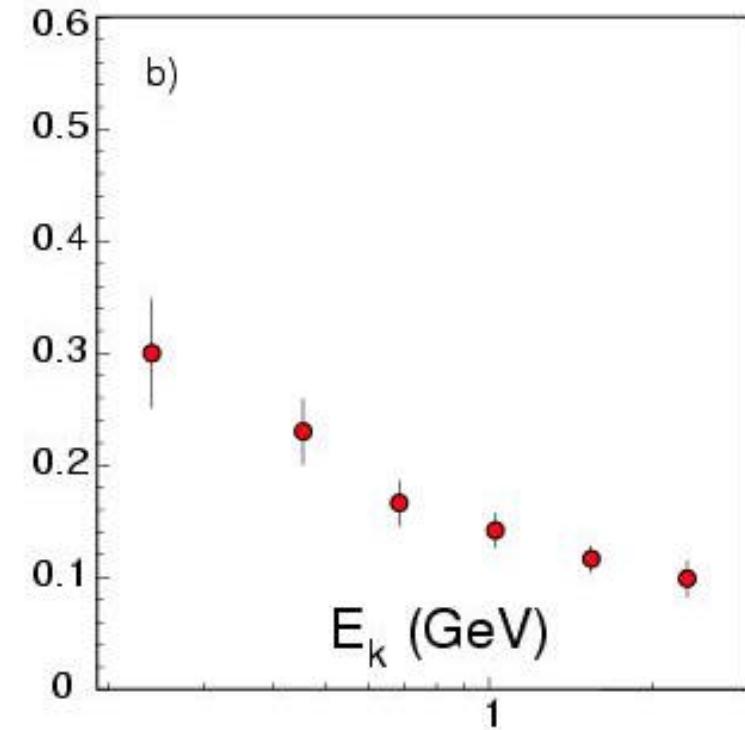
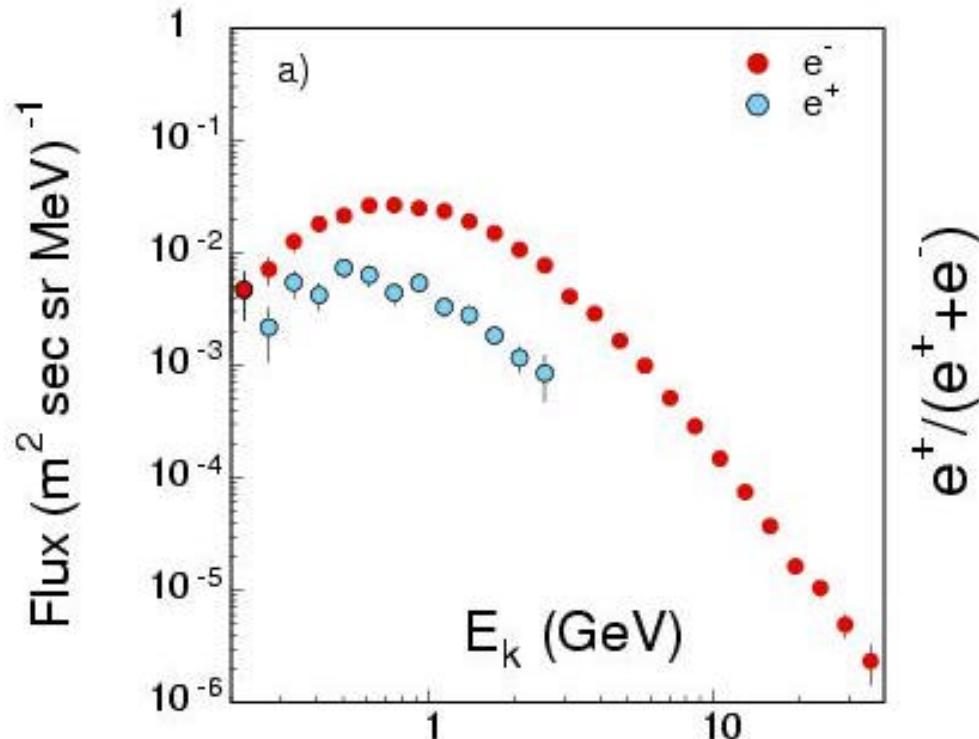
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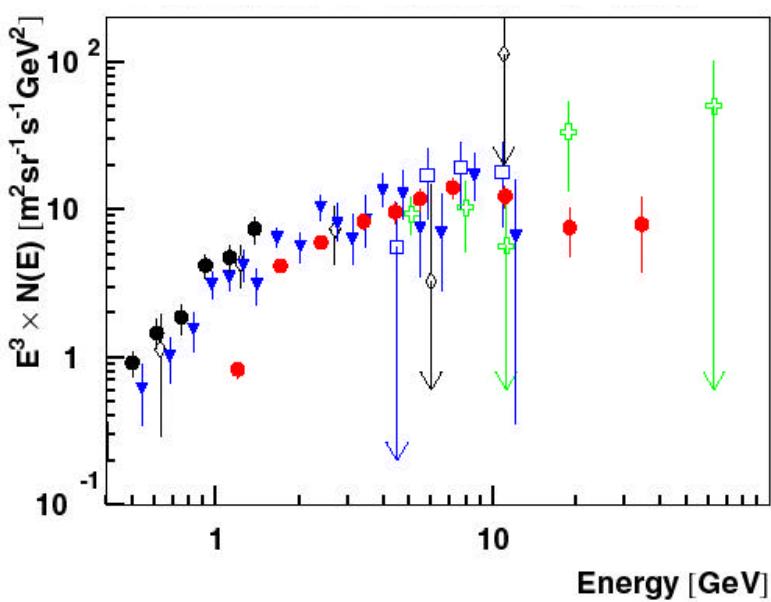
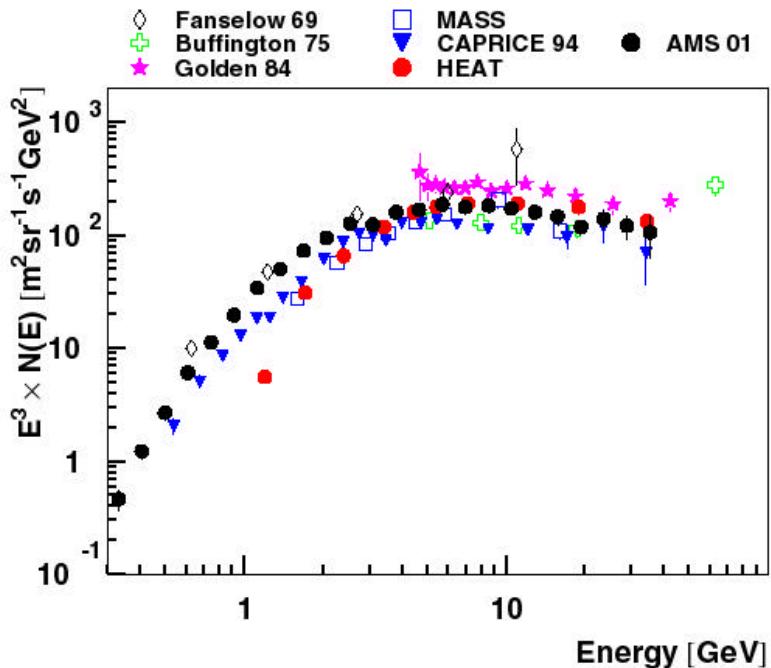
AMS-01 Electrons & Positrons

$\sim 10^5$ events

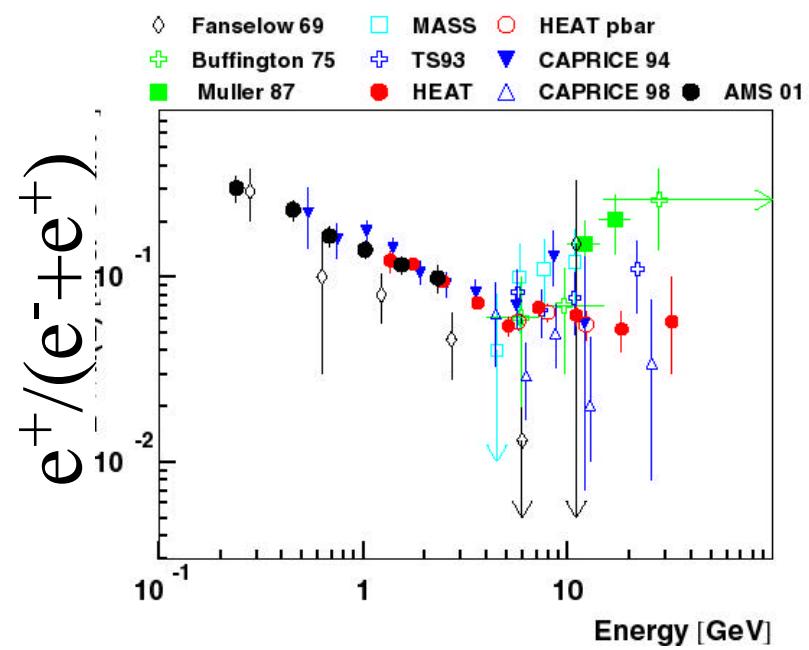
$e^- : 0.2 - 40 \text{ GeV}$

$e^+ : 0.2 - 3 \text{ GeV}$





AMS-01 e⁻ & e⁺



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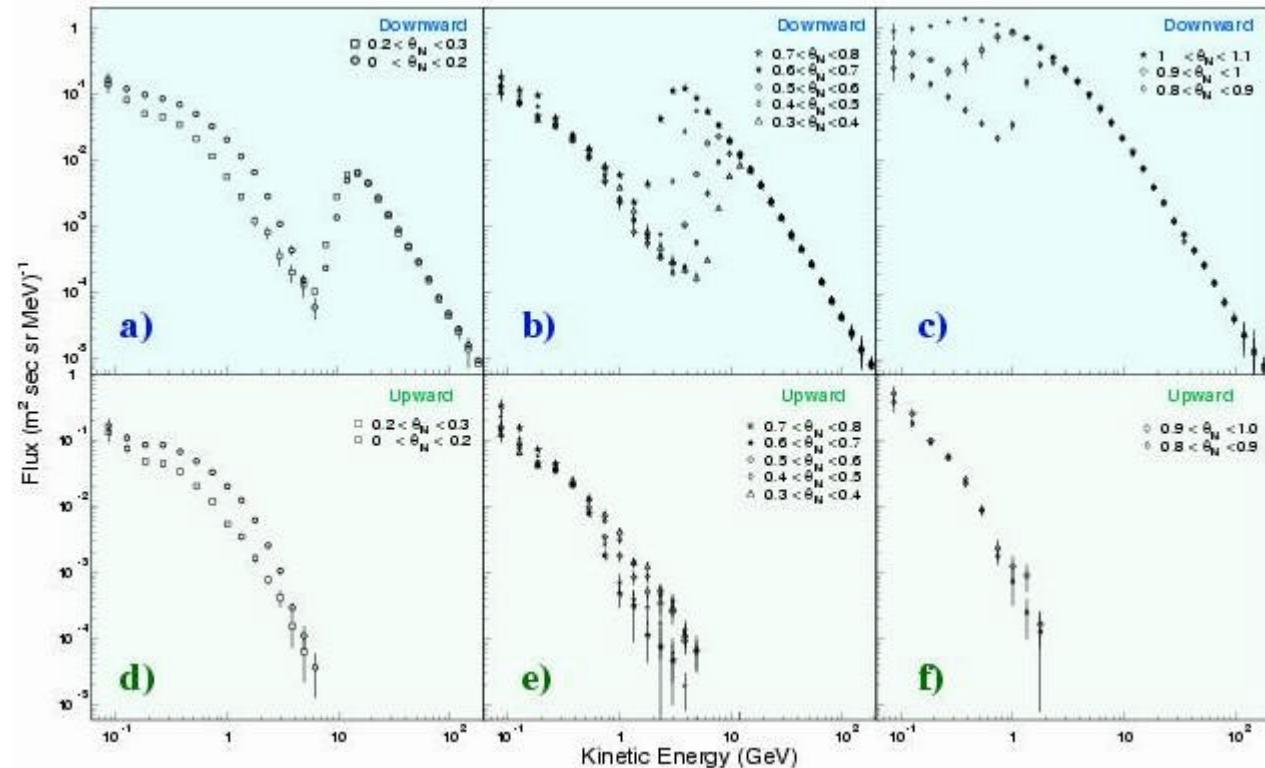
AMS-01 Under Cutoff Spectra (1/3)

A substantial flux detected below
the geomagnetic cutoff

protons

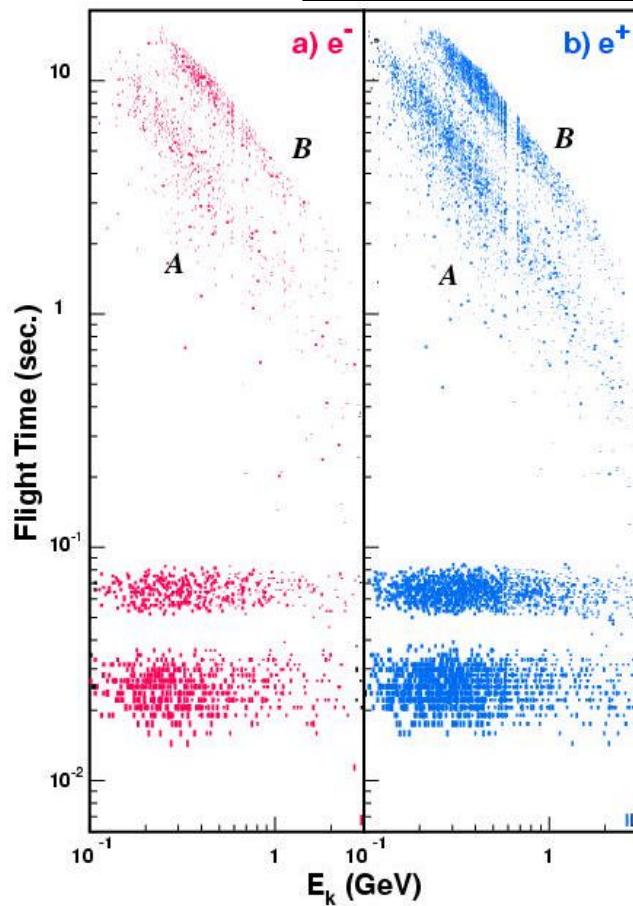
Downward \Rightarrow

Upward \Rightarrow



AMS-01 Under Cutoff Spectra (2/3)

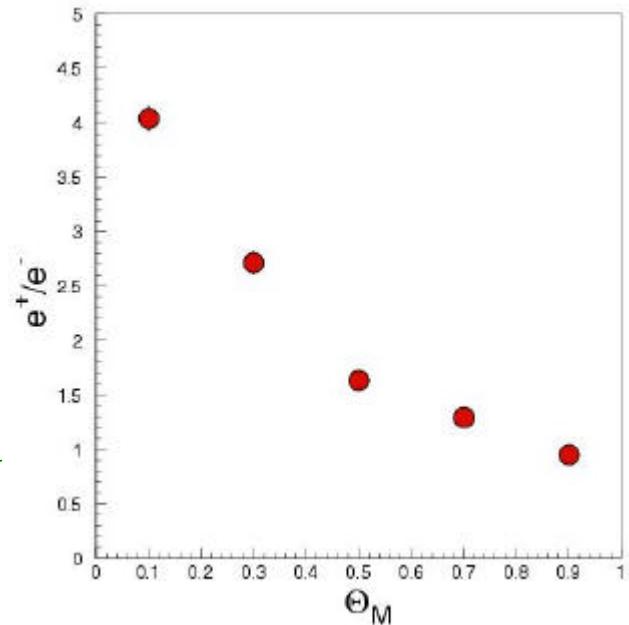
A substantial flux detected below
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↔ Long-lived

e^- & e^+

↔ Short-lived



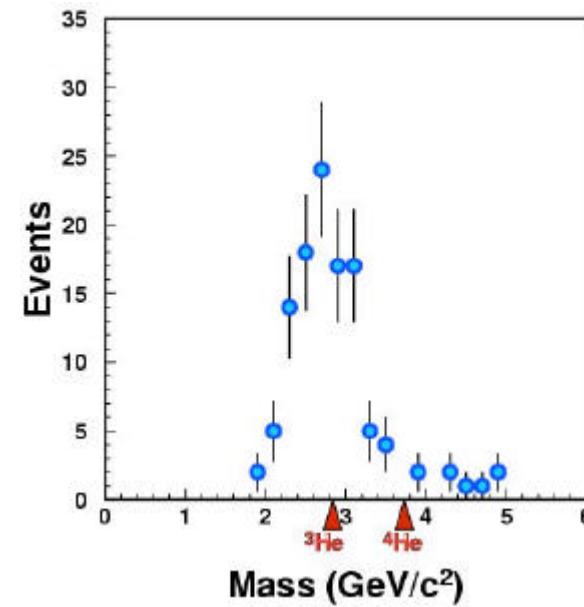
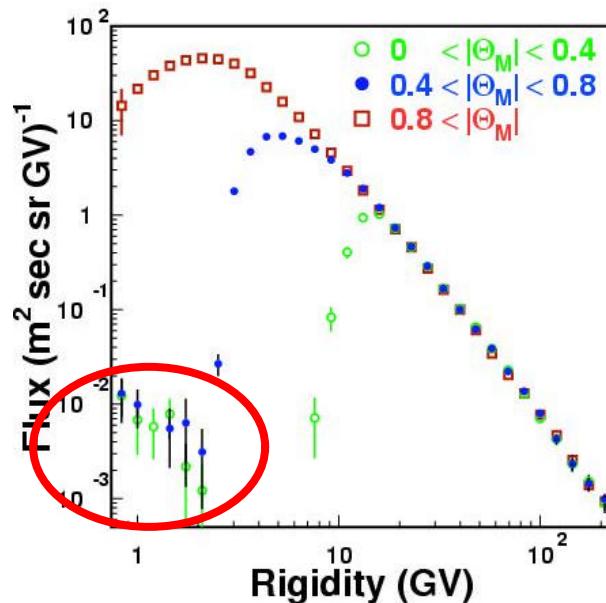
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AMS-01 Under Cutoff Spectra (3/3)

A substantial flux detected below
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Helium

${}^3\text{He}$ dominance in the 2nd spectrum



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AMS-01 Under Cutoff Spectra

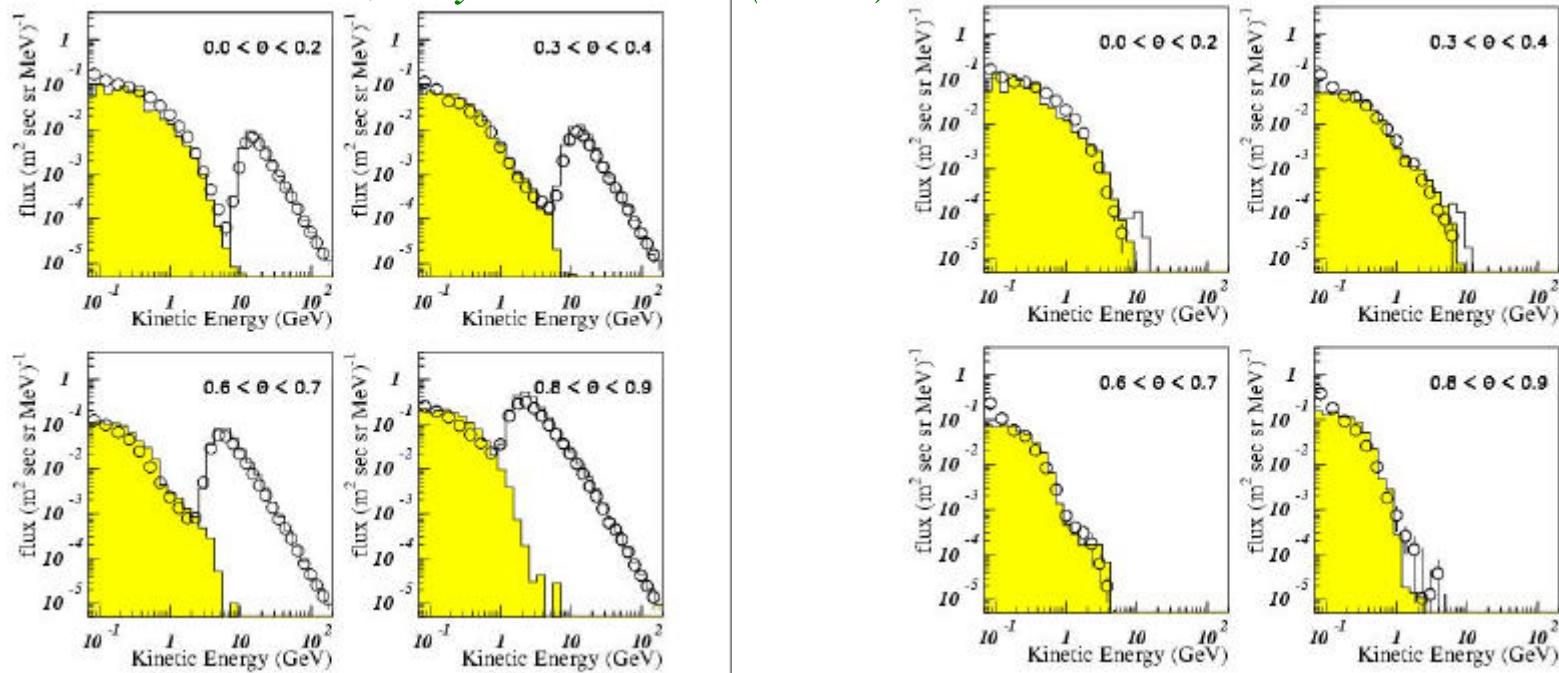
General Features:

- Originated in the atmosphere
- Flux Upwards = Flux Downwards
- Short & Long-lived components
- Distinctive composition

Secondary fluxes in near Earth Orbit

- Primary Fluxes
- Interaction in the Earth's atmosphere
- Tracing through the geomagnetic field

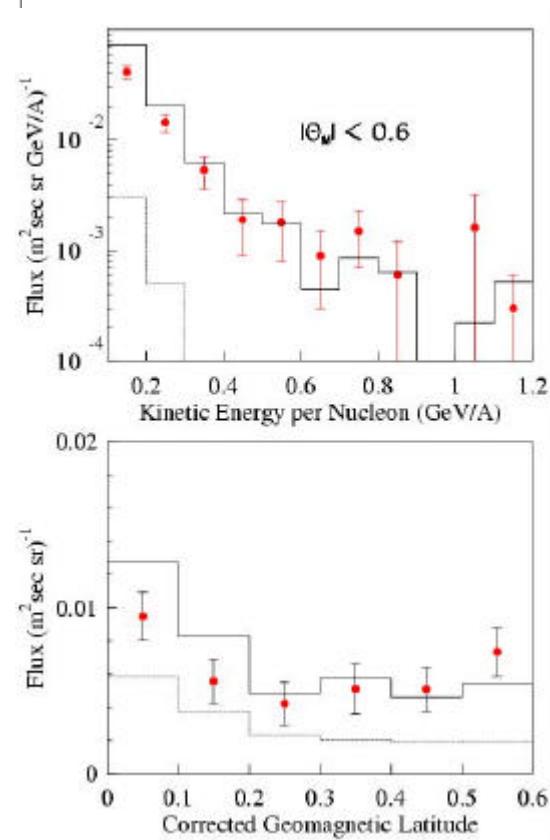
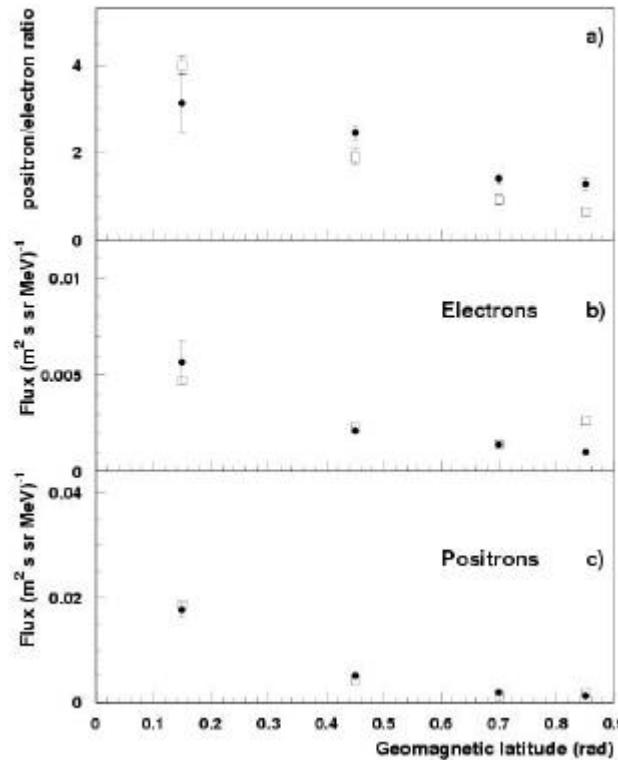
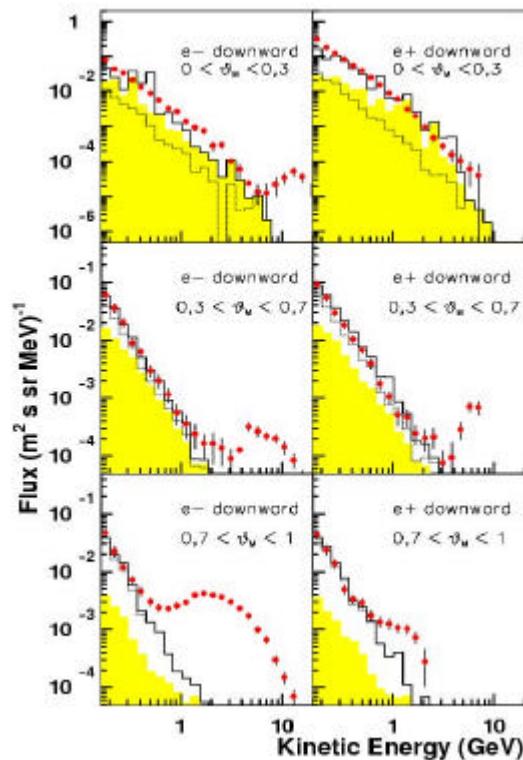
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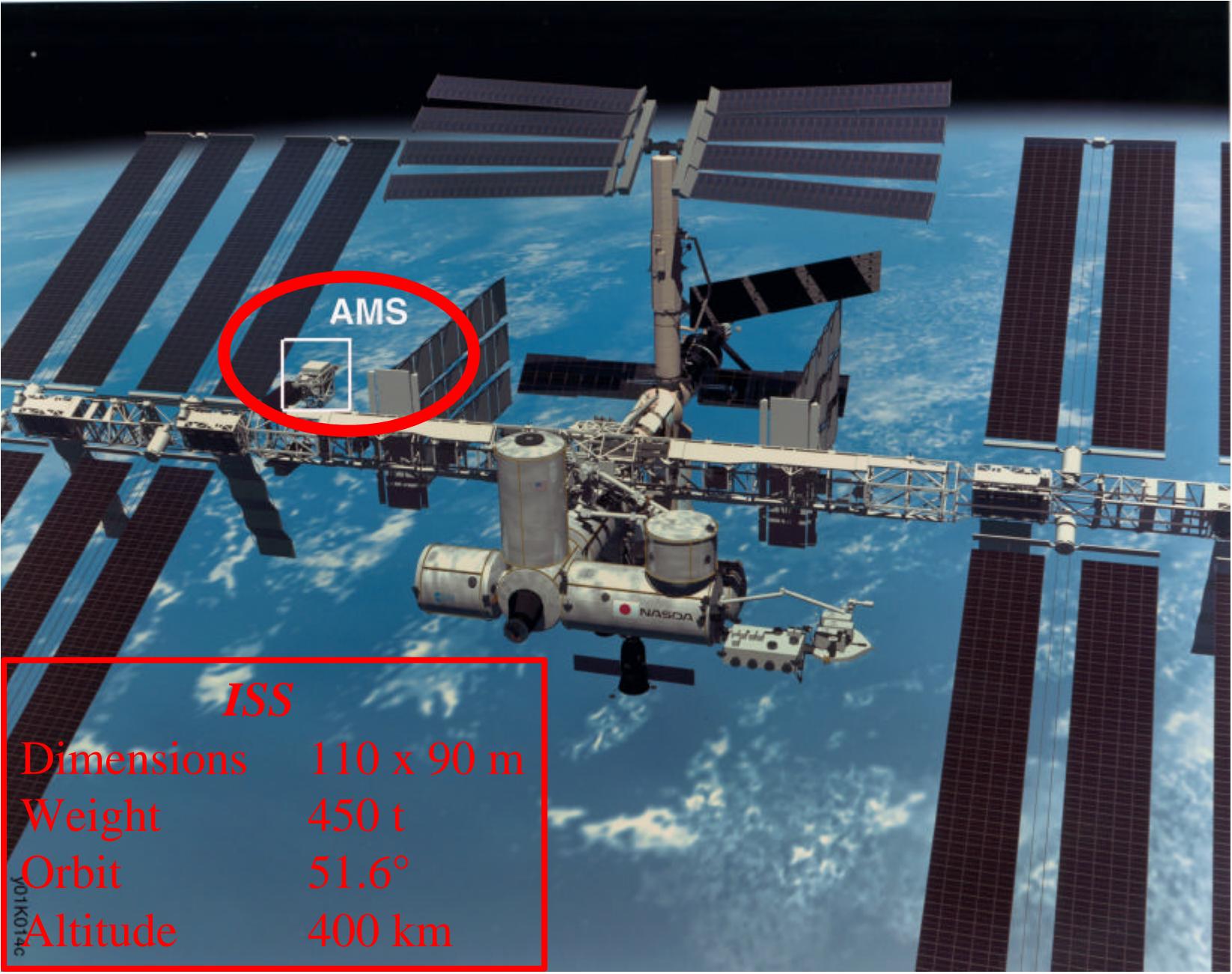


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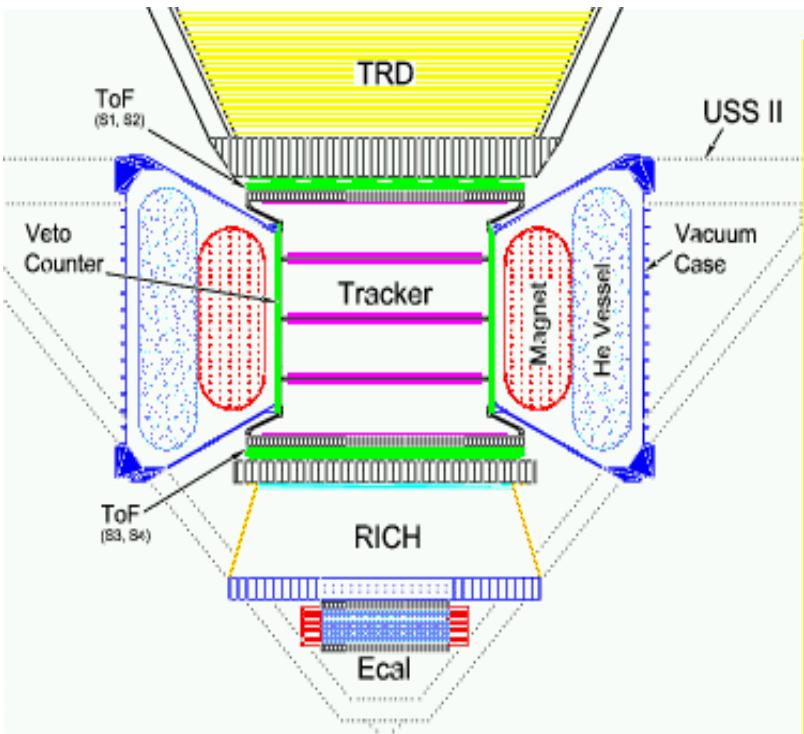
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AMS-02 Spectrometer



- Superconducting Magnet
- Silicon Tracker
- Scintillator System
- Transition Radiation Detector
- Ring Imaging Cerenkov
- Electromagnetic Calorimeter

WEIGHT 6 T

POWER 2 KW

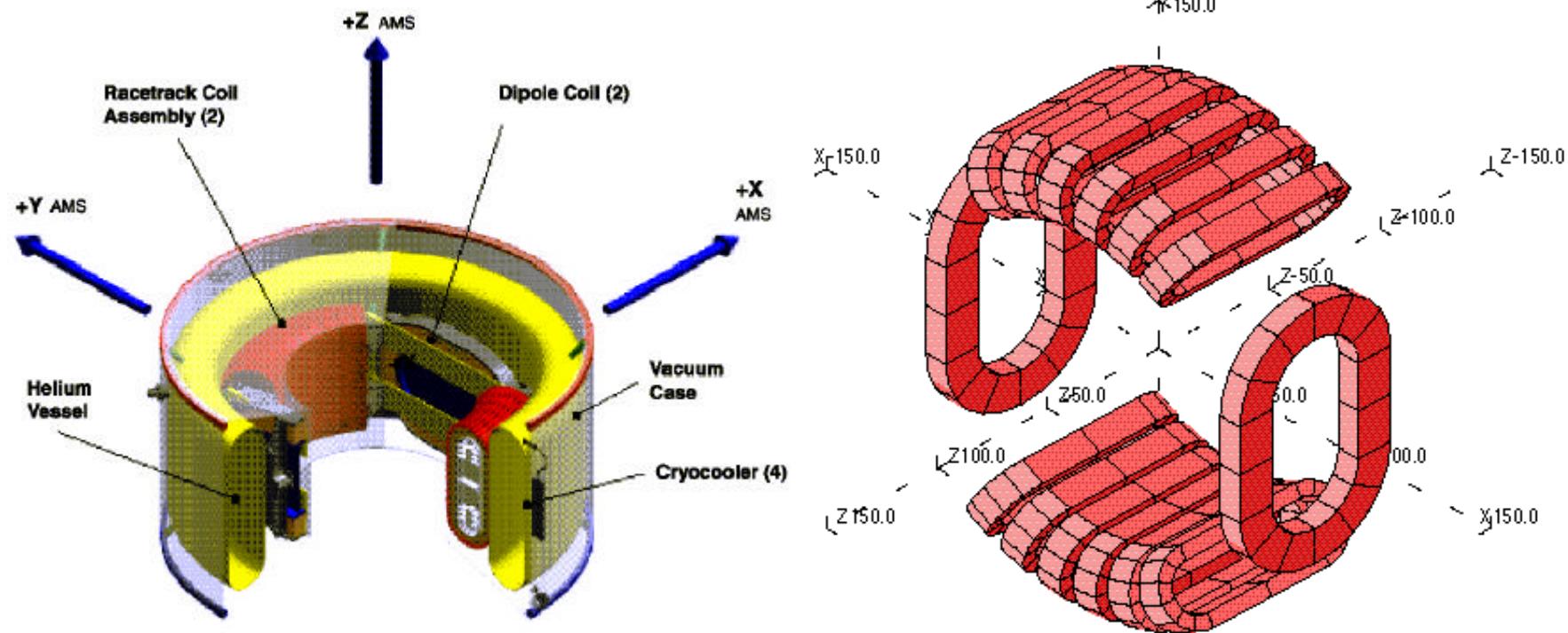
Acceptance: $0.45 \text{ m}^2\text{sr}$

AMS-02 Superconducting Magnet

12 racetrack coils & 2 dipole coils

2500 liters of superfluid helium

$$BL^2 = 0.86 \text{ Tm}^2$$



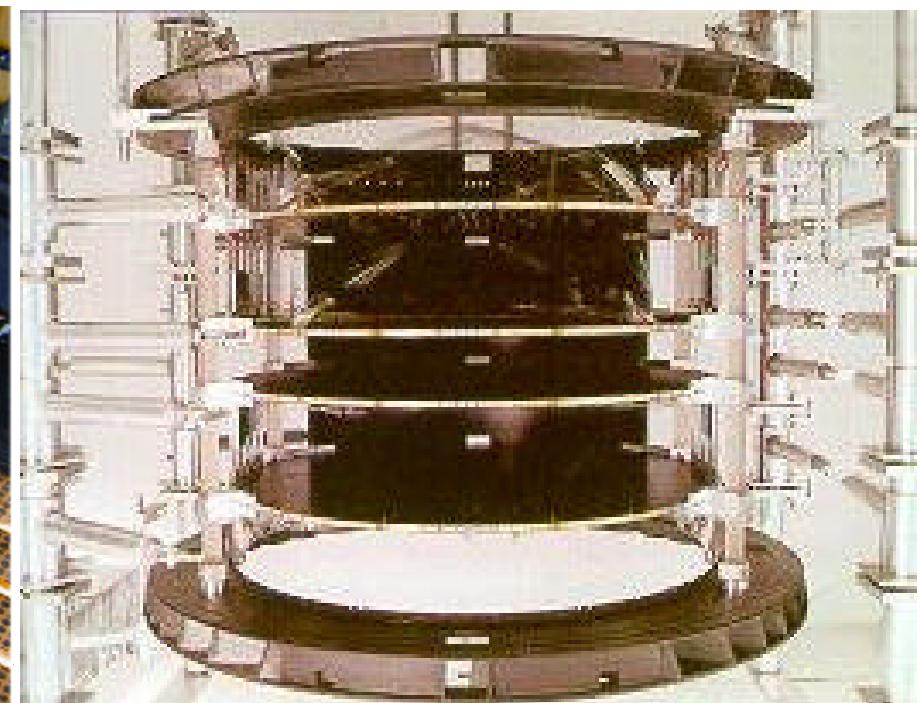
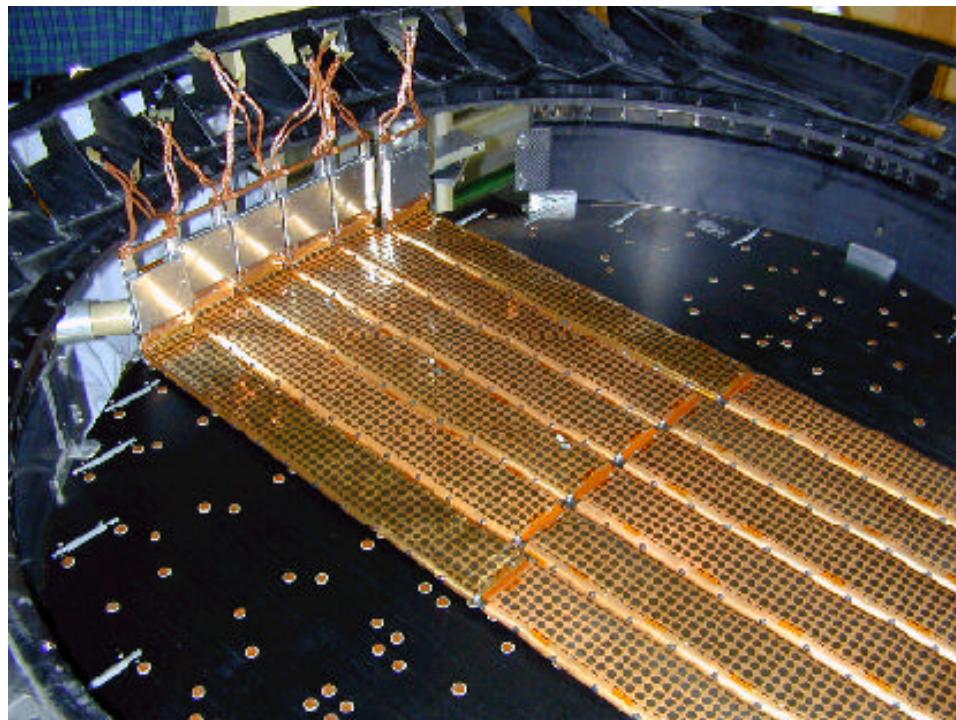
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AMS-02 Silicon Tracker

8 layers of double sided silicon sensors

6.5m² 192 Ladders (196k channels)

s(p)/p = 1.5% @ 10 GeV, MDR = 2.6 TeV (protons)

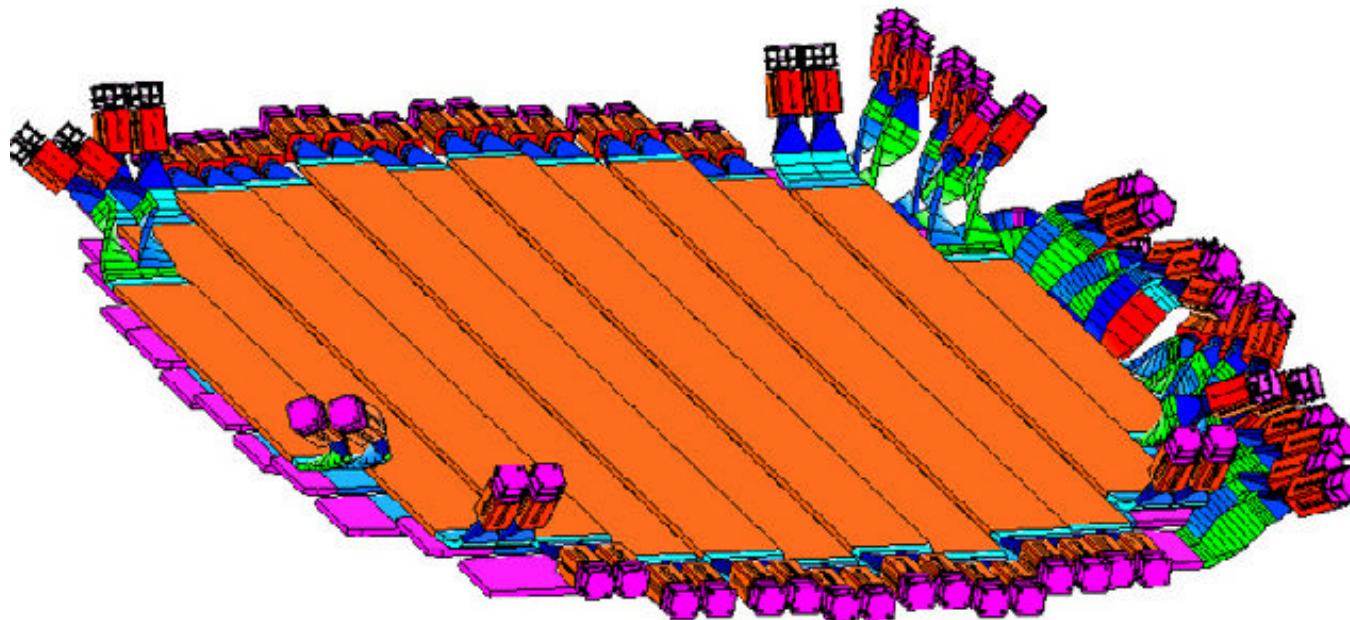


AMS-02 Time of Flight System

4 planes, 12 scintillator paddles

seen by 2 PMTs on each side

$s(\beta)/\beta = 3.7\% @ \beta = 1$ (protons)



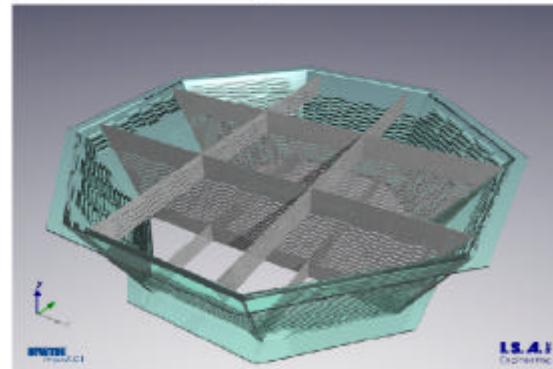
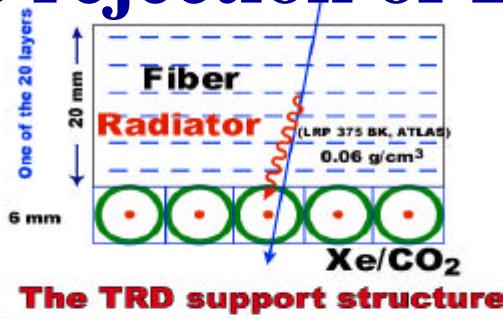
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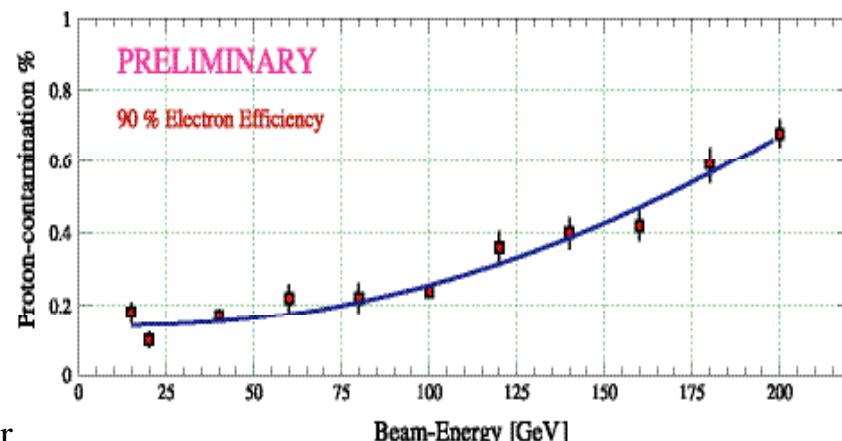
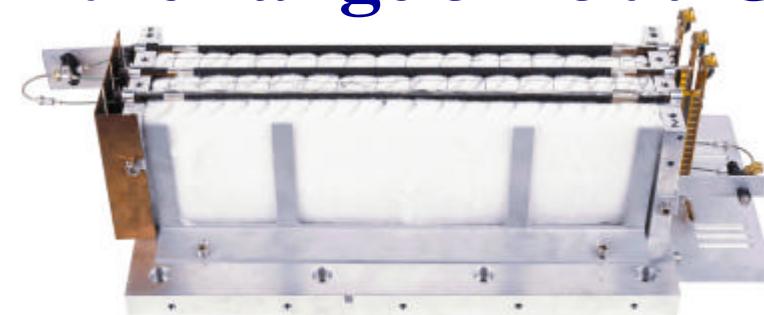
20 layers of TRD

5248 straw tubes

h/e rejection of 10^2 – 10^3 in the range 3 – 300 GeV



Top 4 layers (measure y coordinate), 12 layers (x), 4 layers (y)
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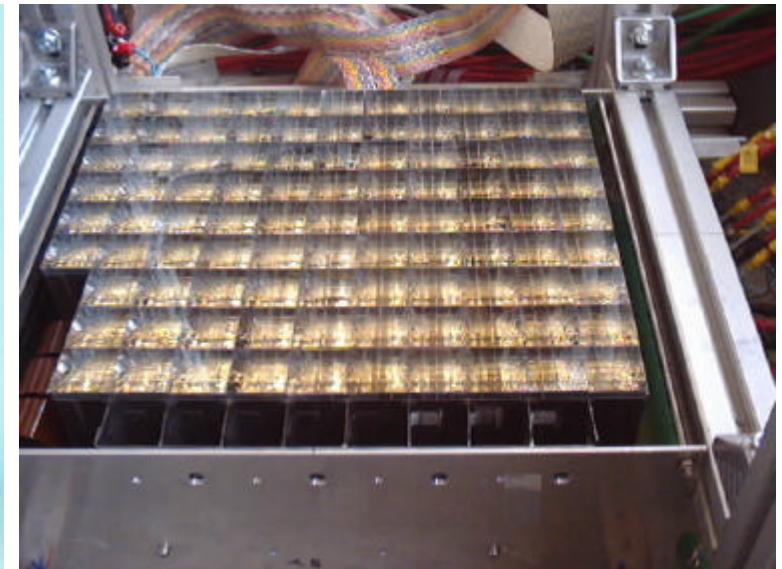
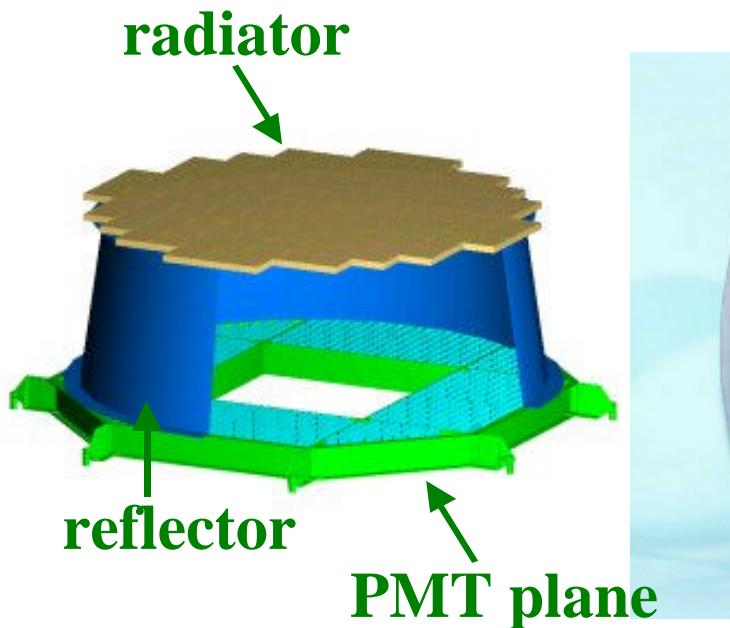


AMS-02 Ring Imaging Cerenkov Counter

3 cm silica aerogel ($n=1.05$) radiator

680 multianode (4x4) PMTs

$s(\beta)/\beta = 0.1\% @ \beta = 1$ (protons)

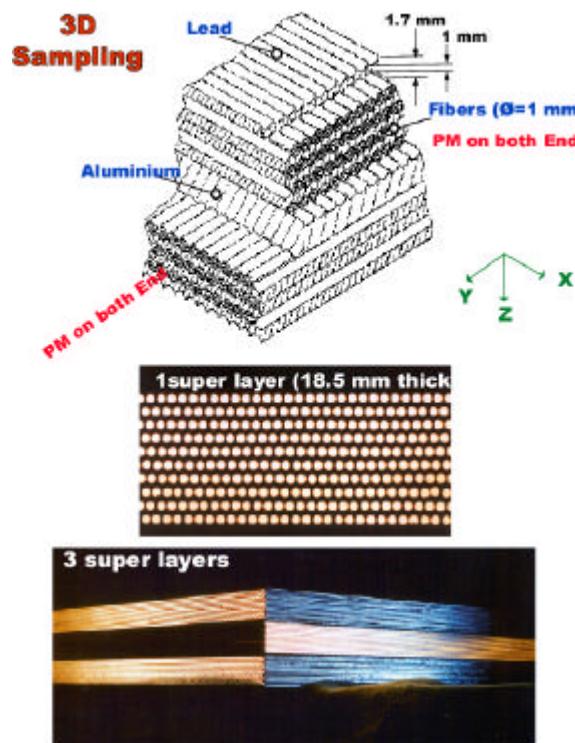


AMS-02 Electromagnetic Calorimeter

9 super layers of Sci-Fiber/Lead (15 X₀)

324 multianode (2x2) PMTs

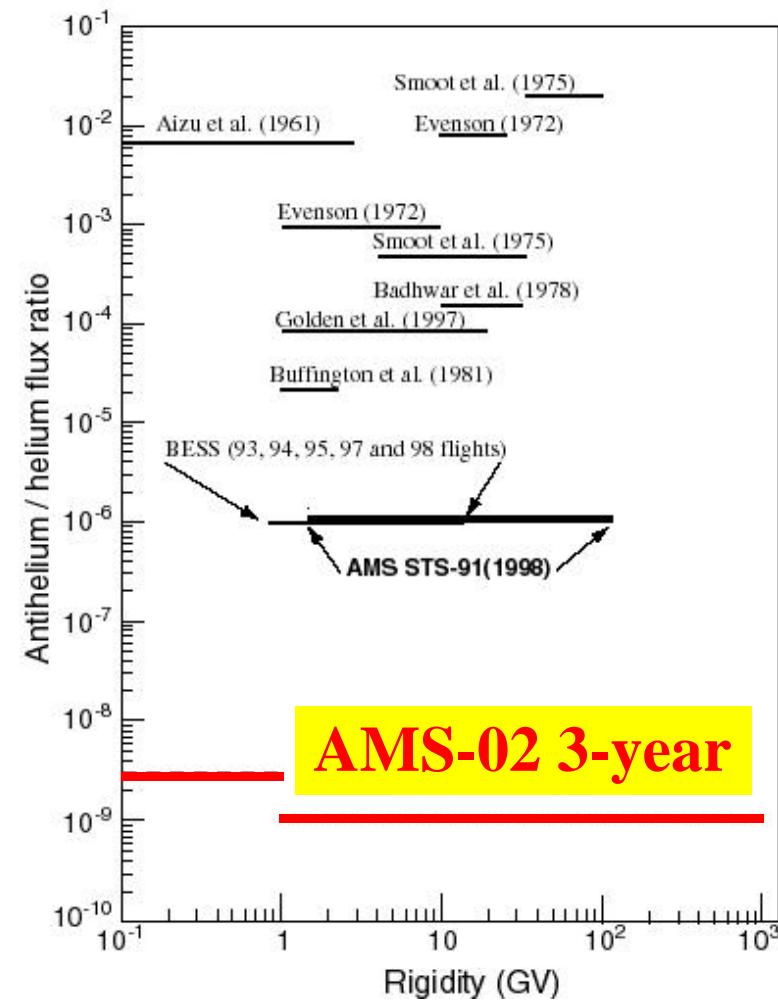
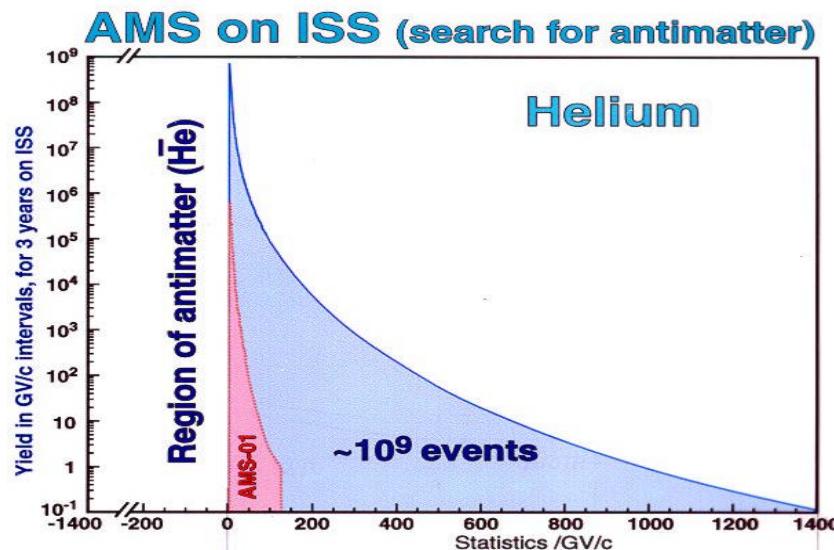
$s(E)/E = 3\% @ 100 \text{ GeV}$ h/e rejection of 10^4



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AMS-02 Antimatter Sensitivity

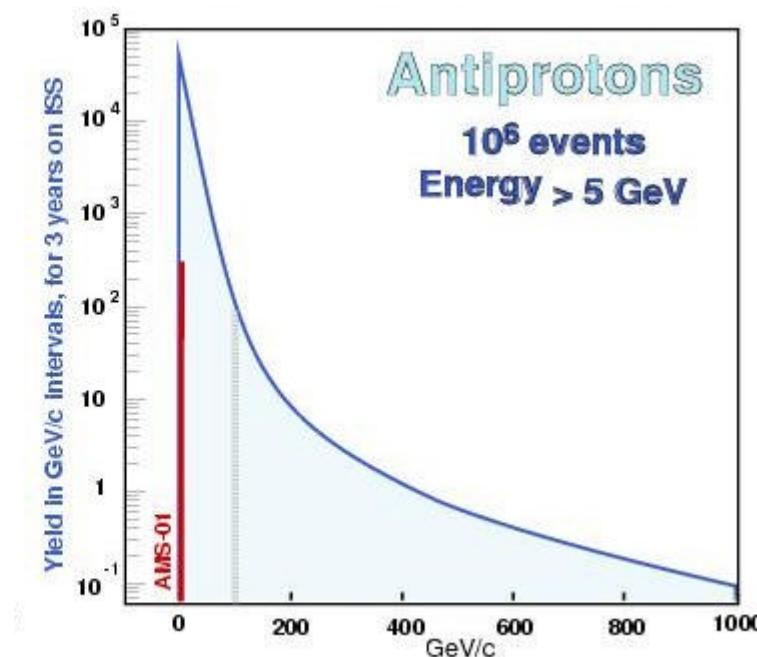
In 3 years AMS
will collect 10^9 He
with $E \leq 1$ TeV



AMS-02 Antiprotons

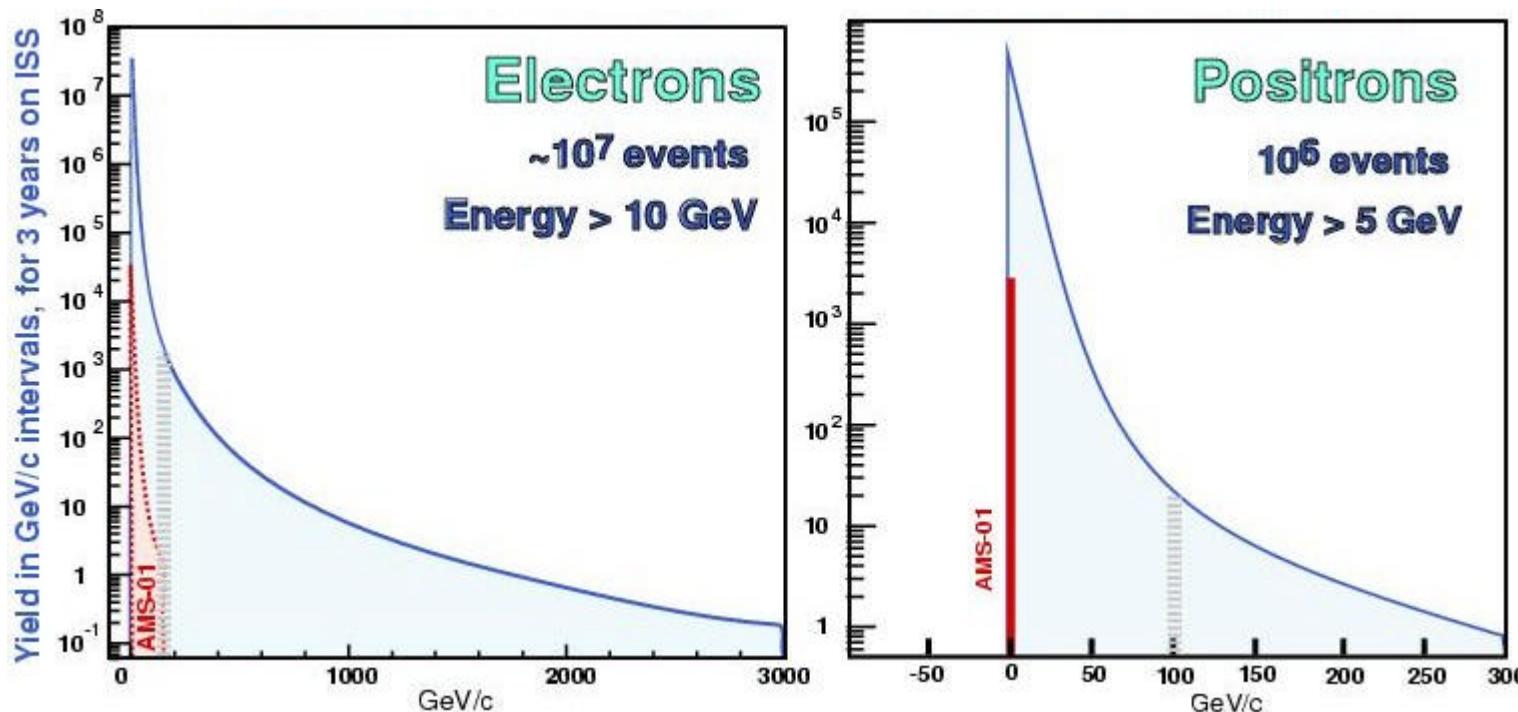
AMS will measure the \bar{p} flux up to few 100 GeV

After 3 years will collect » 10^6 \bar{p}



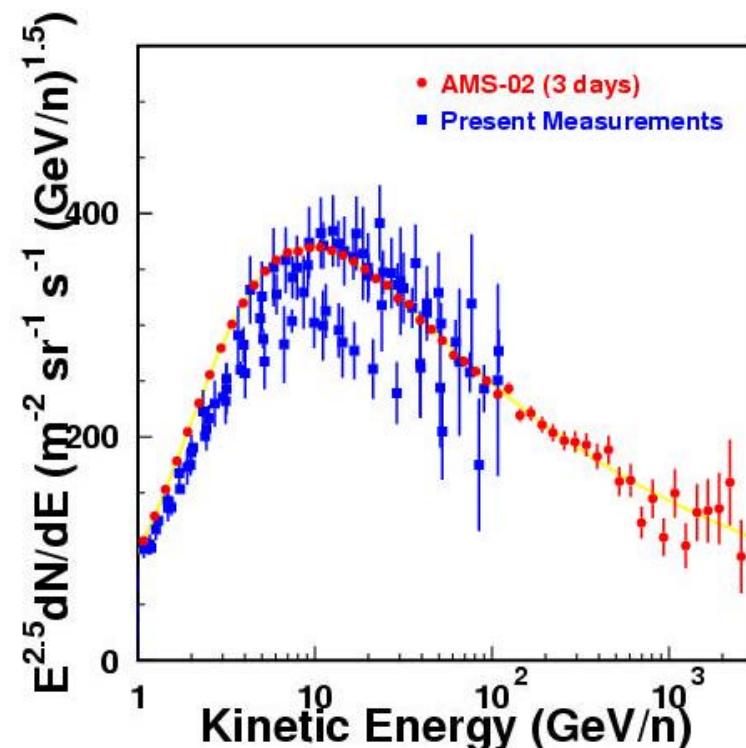
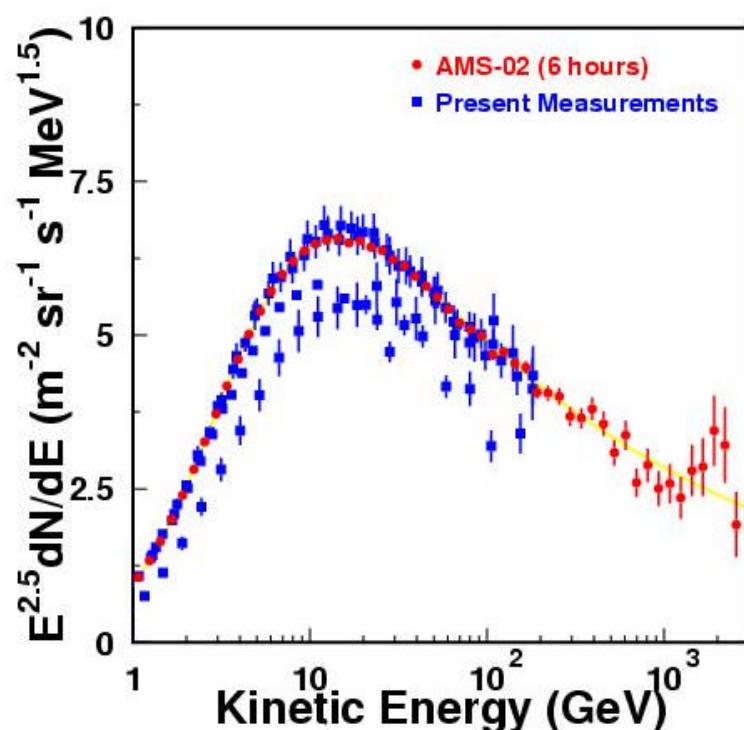
AMS-02 Electrons & Positrons

AMS will measure the e^- flux up to $O(\text{TeV})$
and the e^+ flux up to $\gg 300 \text{ GeV}$



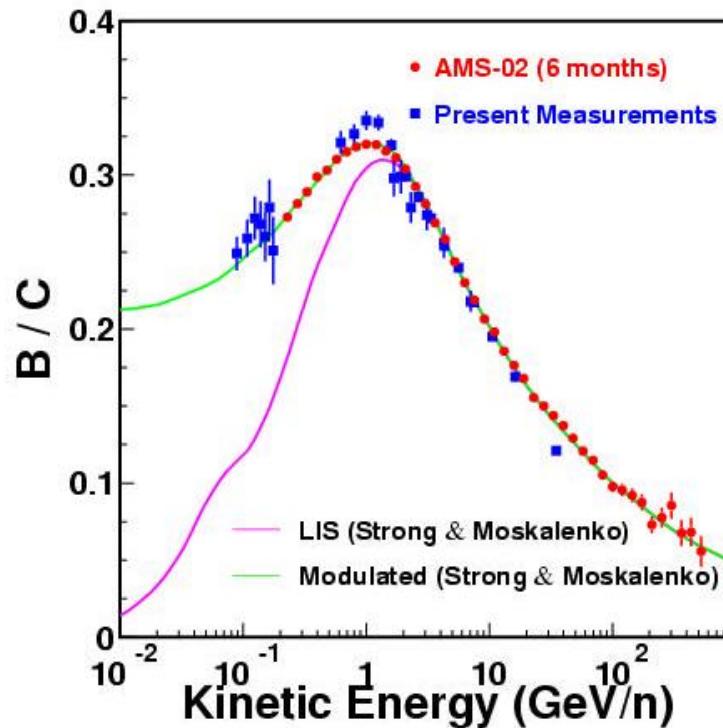
AMS-02 Protons & Helium

AMS will measure H & He fluxes for $E \lesssim 1$ TeV
after 3 years will collect $\gg 10^8$ H with $E > 100$ GeV
and $\gg 10^7$ He with $E > 100$ GeV/n



AMS-02 Light Elements

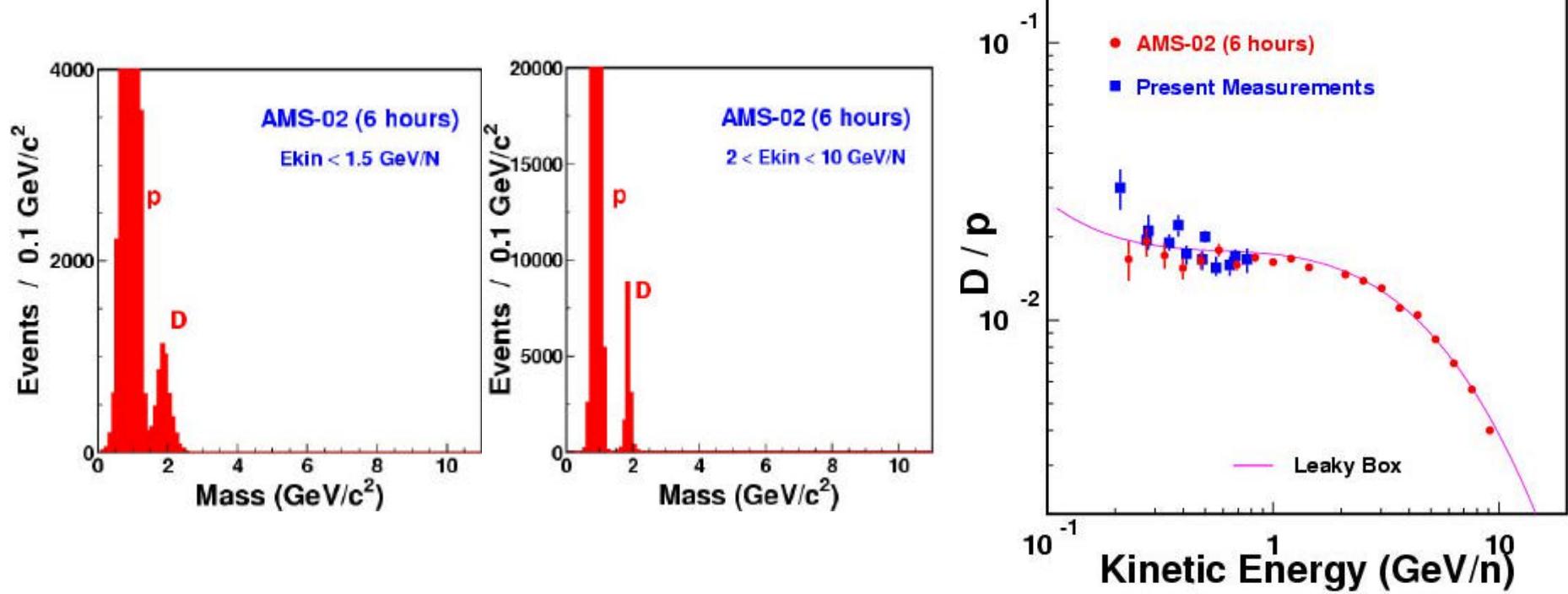
AMS will measure the spectrum for $E \lesssim 1$ TeV/n
after 3 years will collect $\gg 10^5$ C with $E > 100$ GeV/n
and $\gg 10^4$ B with $E > 100$ GeV/n



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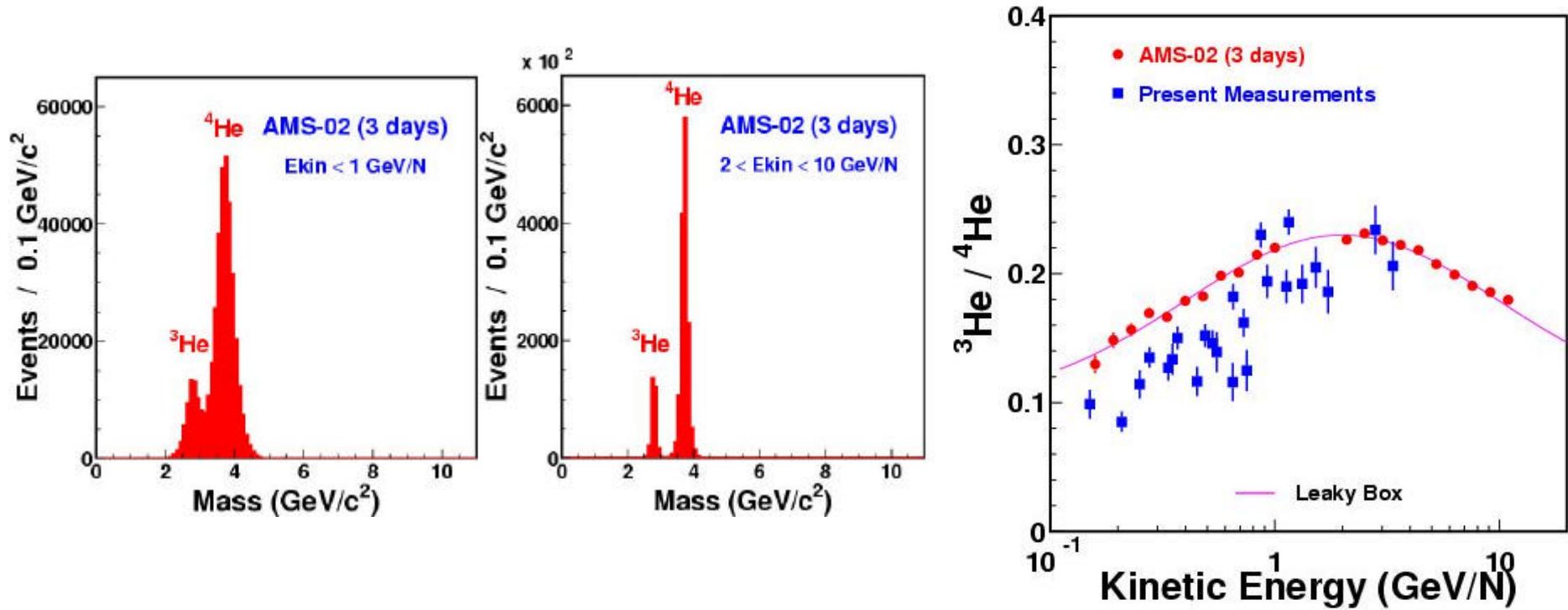
AMS-02 Light Isotopes (1/3)

AMS will identify D up to 10 GeV/n
after 3 years will collect $\gg 10^8$ D



AMS-02 Light Isotopes (2/3)

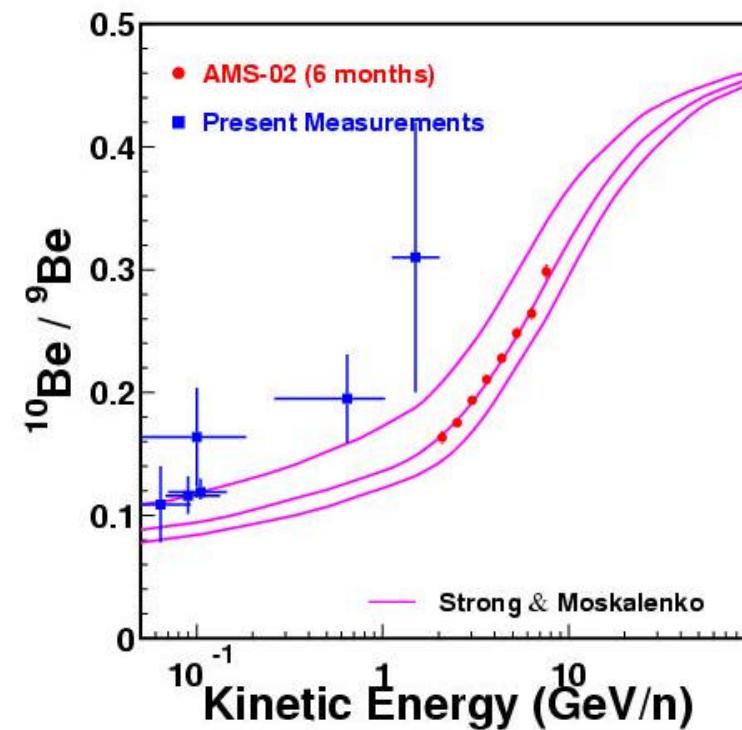
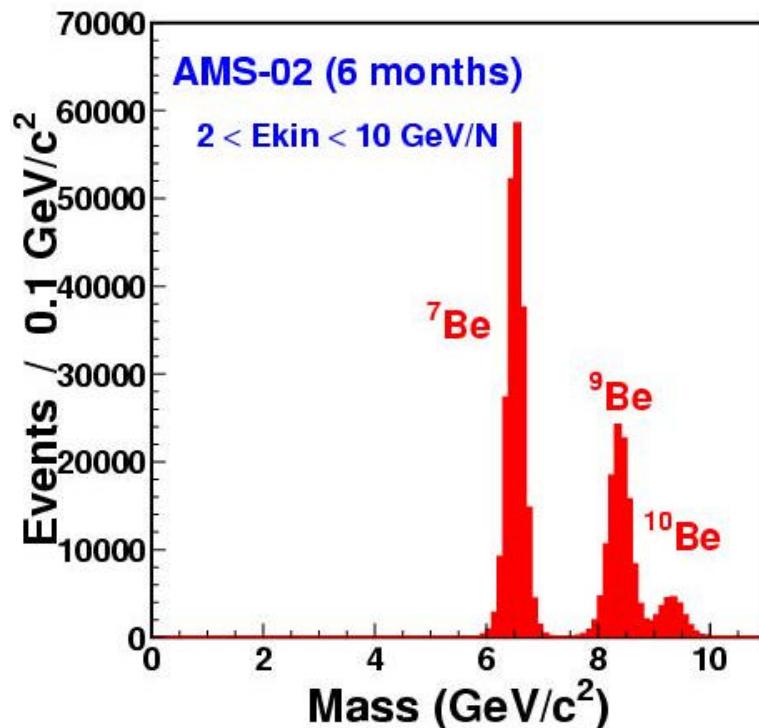
AMS will identify ${}^3\text{He}$ up to 10 GeV/n
after 3 years will collect $\gg 10^8 {}^3\text{He}$



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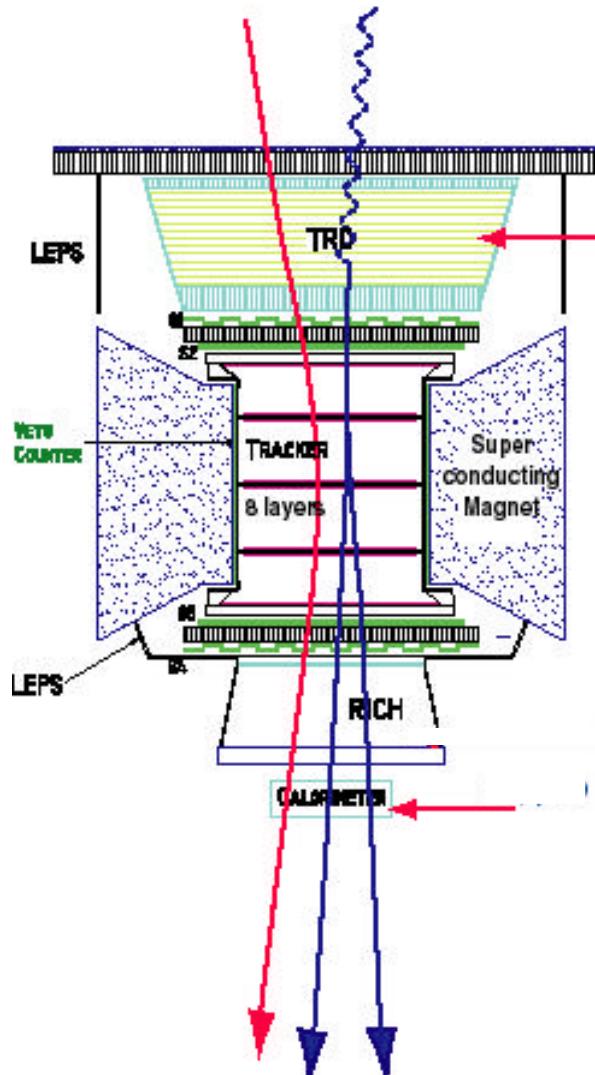
AMS-02 Light Isotopes (3/3)

AMS will separate ^{10}Be from ^9Be for
 $2 \text{ GeV/n} < E < 10 \text{ GeV/n}$
after 3 years will collect $\gg 10^5$ ^{10}Be



AMS-02 γ -ray Capabilities

Conversion mode

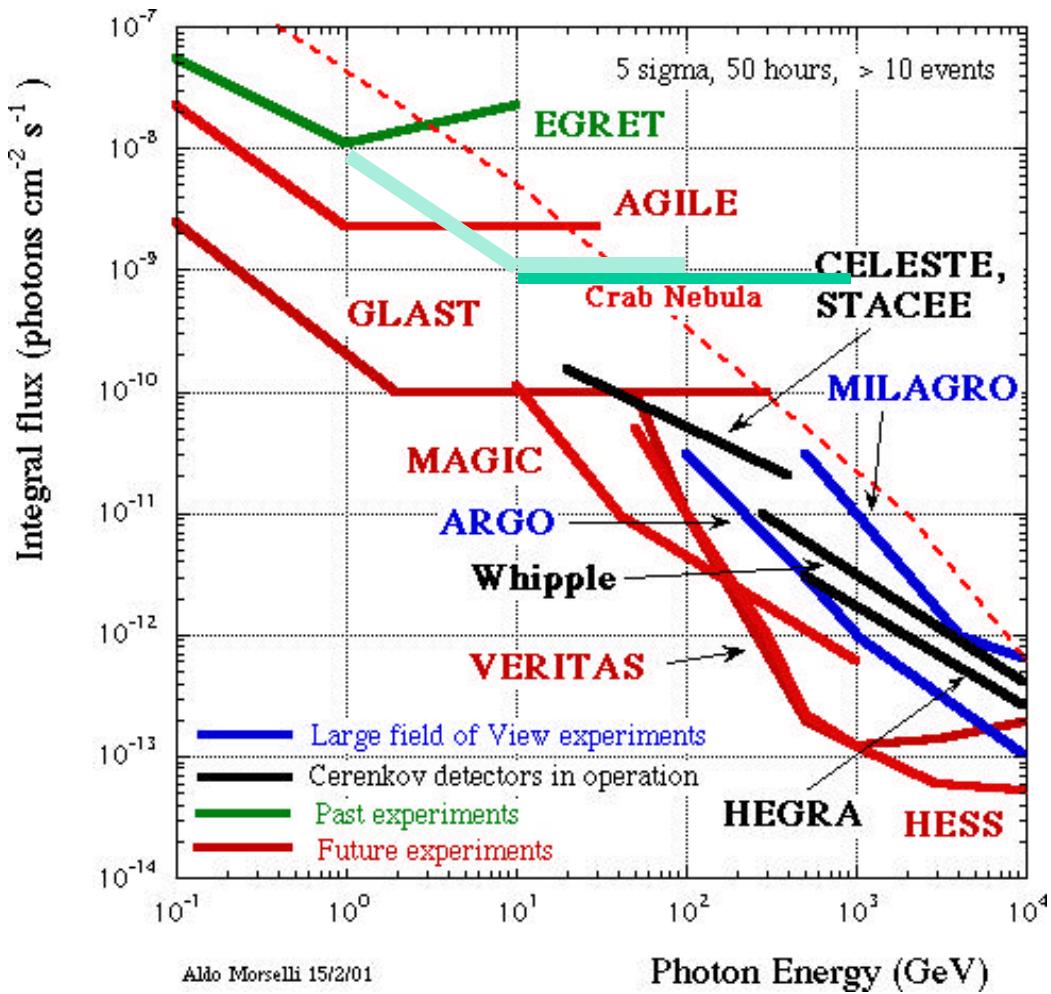


Energy range	1 – 100 GeV
Acceptance	0.06 m ² sr
E resolution	2% @ 10 GeV
γ resolution	0.03° @ 10 GeV

ECAL mode

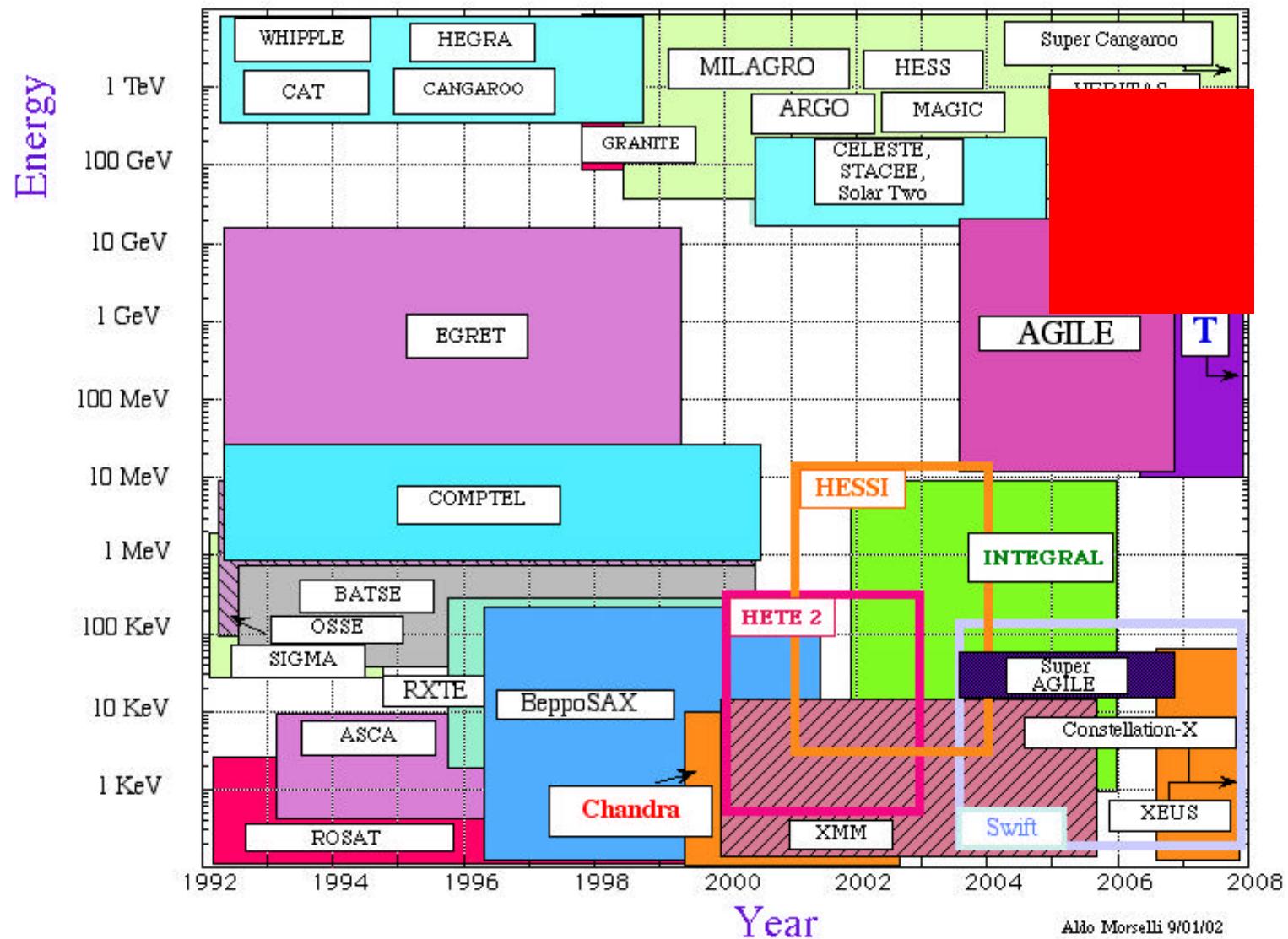
Energy range	10 – 1000 GeV
Acceptance	0.06 m ² sr
E resolution	3% @ 100 GeV
γ resolution	0.5° @ 100 GeV

AMS/? Point Source Sensitivity



Conversion mode
ECAL mode

AMS/? Sky Survey



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Conclusions

- AMS had a successful operation in space during a 10-day flight in 1998
- Precise results have been obtained on primary and under cutoff spectra as well as a new limit on the existence of nuclear antimatter
- AMS is approved by NASA to operate on the ISS for 3 years
- AMS will be ready to fly in 2005
- AMS large acceptance and long exposure time will allow an unprecedented sensitive study of CR from the ISS