

# Cosmic Ray and Gamma Astrophysics with AMS-02 Experiment

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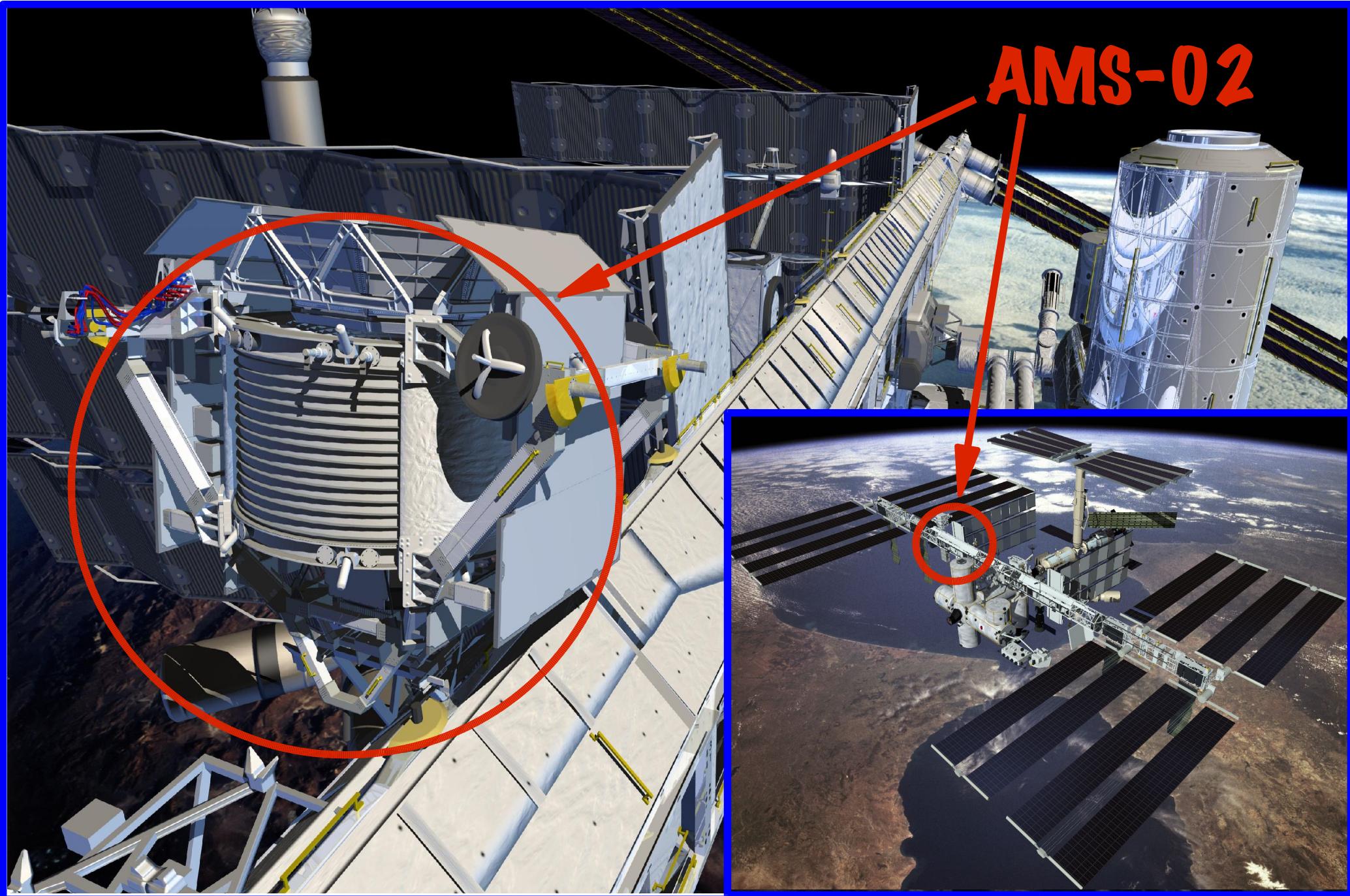
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- Outline:**
- ✓ ISS and AMS-02
  - ✓ Physics Goals
  - ✓ The Detector
  - ✓ AMS-02 Expected Performances
  - ✓ Conclusions

# AMS-02 on the International Space Station (ISS)<sup>2</sup>



# The Alpha Magnetic Spectrometer (AMS)

*A large acceptance and high precision magnetic spectrometer on the ISS*

## ✓ Orbital parameters of ISS:

*Orbital period ~ 92 min*

*Mean altitude ~ 382 km*

*Inclination ~ 51.6°*

## ✓ Main Physics topics:

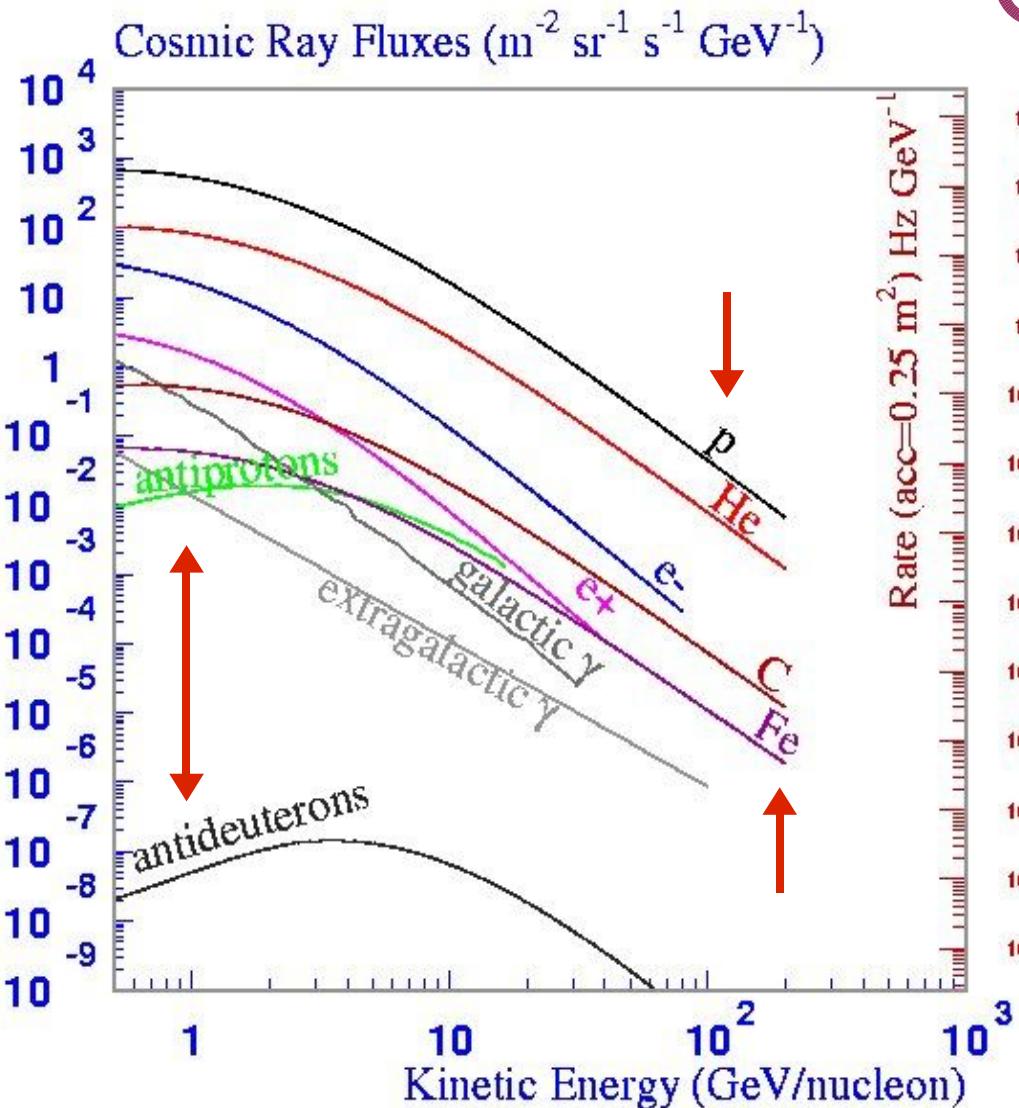
*Origin and transport of cosmic rays (from 1GeV to 1TeV)*

*Antimatter ( $e^+$ ,  $\bar{p}$ ,  $\bar{N}$ )*

*Dark matter ( $e^+$ ,  $\bar{p}$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $\bar{D}$ )*

*Study of galactic and extragalactic  $\gamma$ -rays*

# Cosmic Rays



AMS-02 will collect in 3 years:

- $p$ : dominant component ( $2 \times 10^{10}$ )
- He: 5% of  $p$  flux @ 10GeV
- D, Li, Be, B and C
- Anti-proton:  $\sim 10^{-4}$  of  $p$  flux

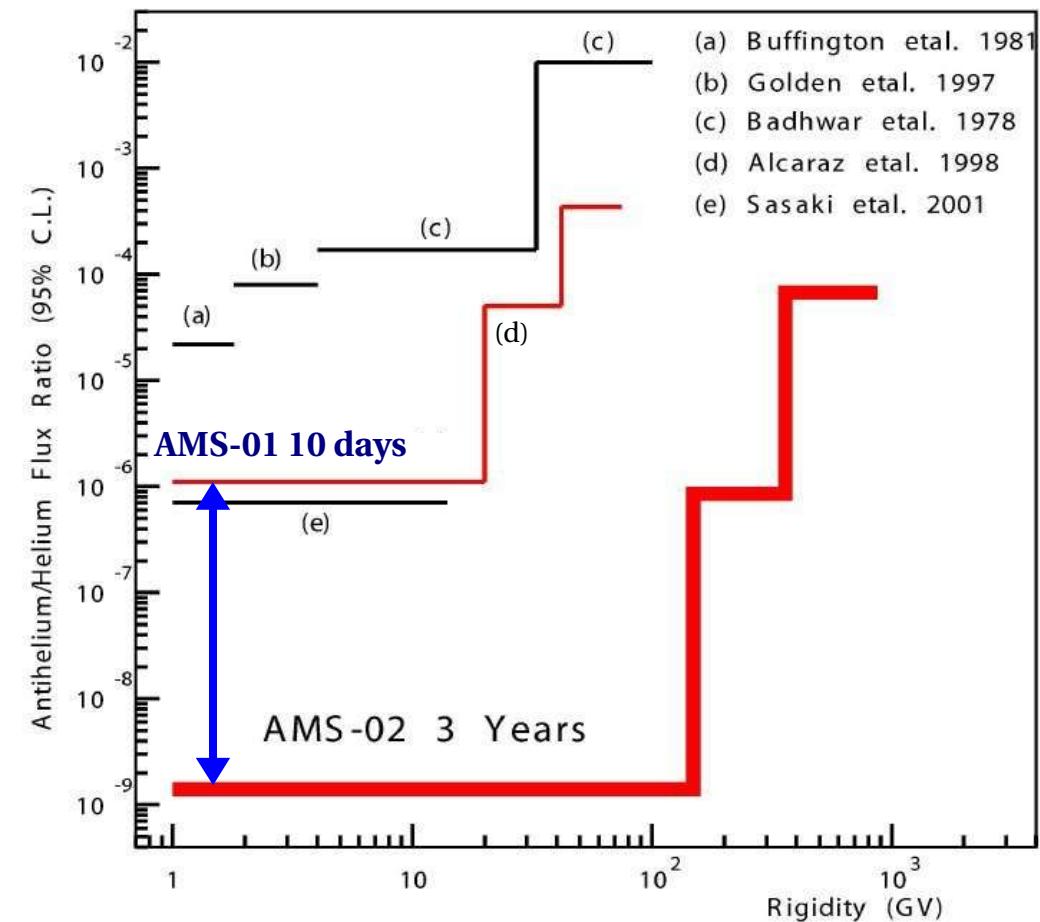
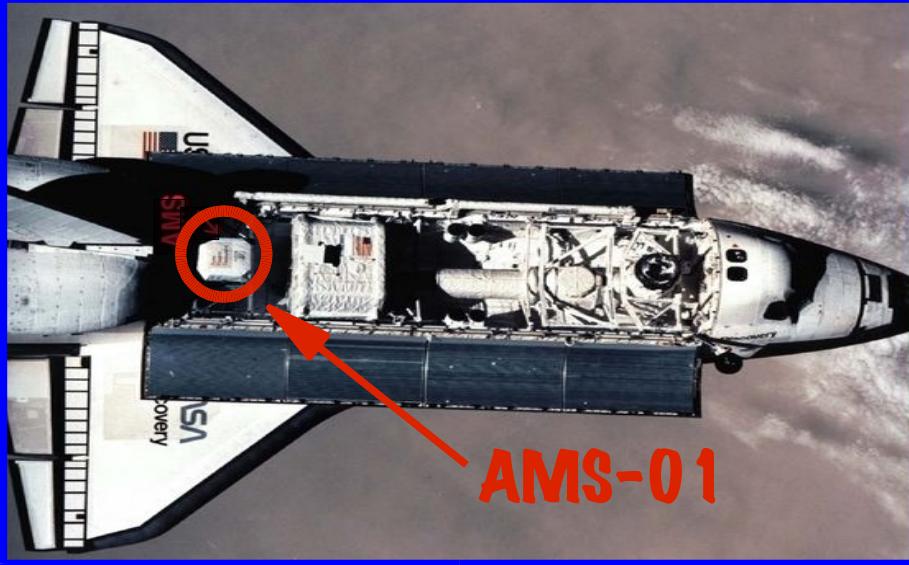
Protons: a way to measure the solar activity.

Isotopes: information on the propagation of Cosmic Rays in the Galaxy.

$^{10}\text{Be}/^9\text{Be}$  ratio ( $^{10}\text{Be} \rightarrow 1.6 \times 10^6$  yrs):

- Cosmic Rays confinement time in the Galaxy
- Mean density of interstellar material traversed.

# Antimatter



*The Big Bang Theory requires matter and antimatter equally abundant.*

*Antimatter within our cluster of galaxies excluded: no photon annihilation signal.*

- Single anti-He Cosmic Rays nucleus:  
→ Antimatter Domains
- Single anti-C Cosmic Rays nucleus:  
→ Antimatter Stars

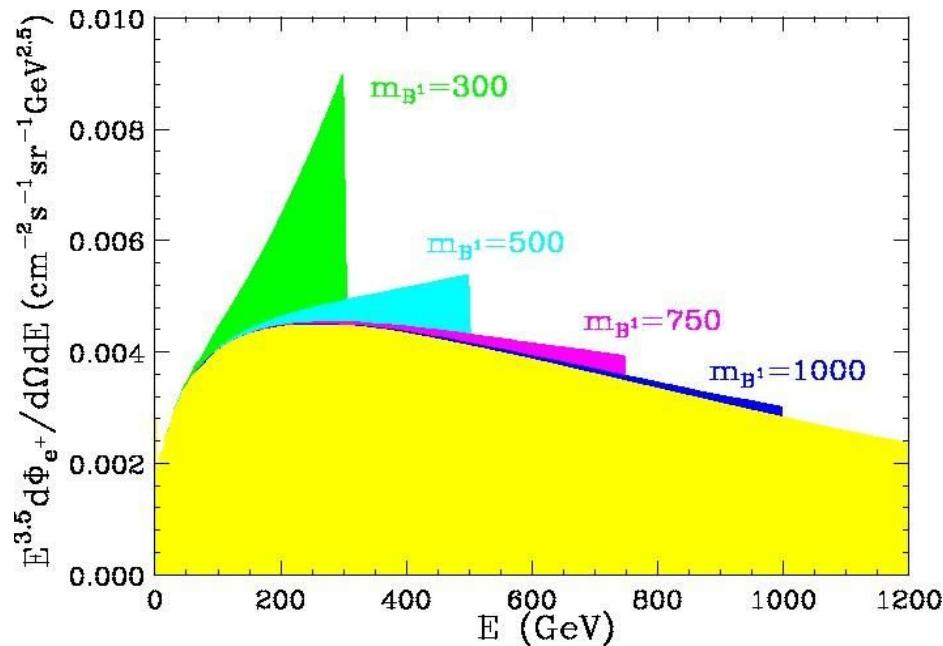
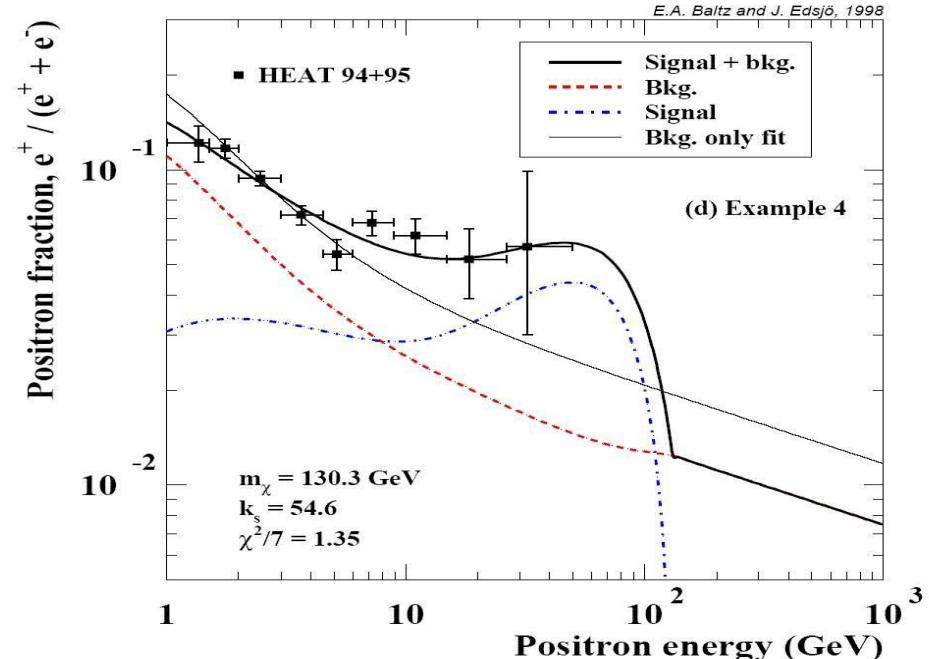
# Dark Matter

*Annihilation of neutralinos in the galactic halo might produce a visible contribution to the anti-particle and photon spectra:*



*AMS-02 is conceived to measure:*

- $\bar{p}$  spectrum ( $\sim 1\text{GV} < R < 200\text{ GV}$ ,  $R=pc/Ze$ )
- $e^+$  structure in spectra above few GeV

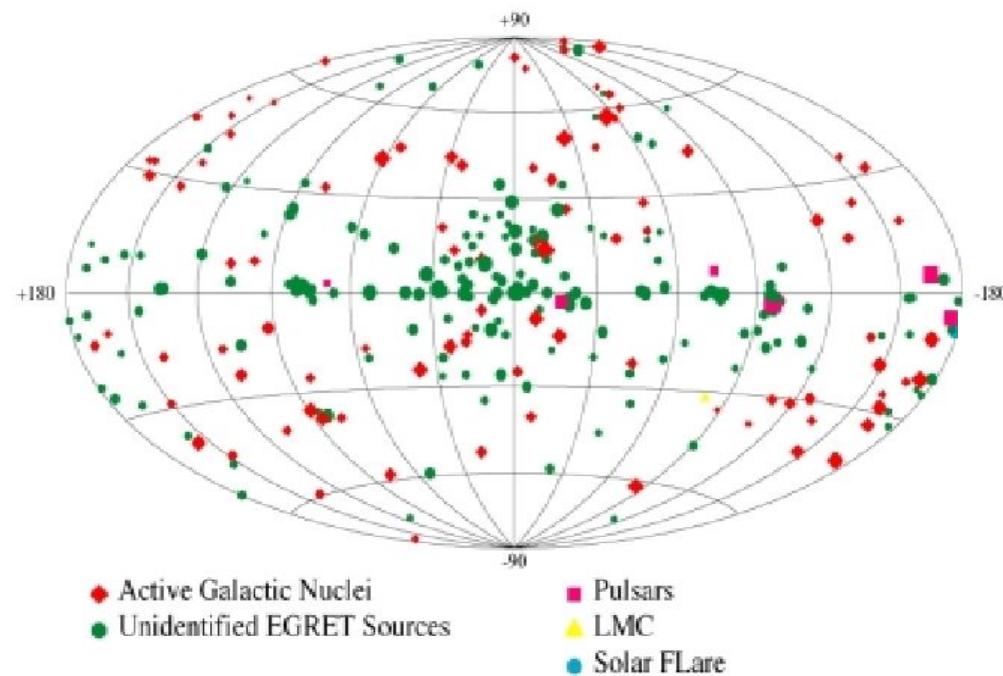


See Corinne Goy's talk in Dark Energy IV Session

# High Energy $\gamma$ -Rays

Third EGRET Catalog

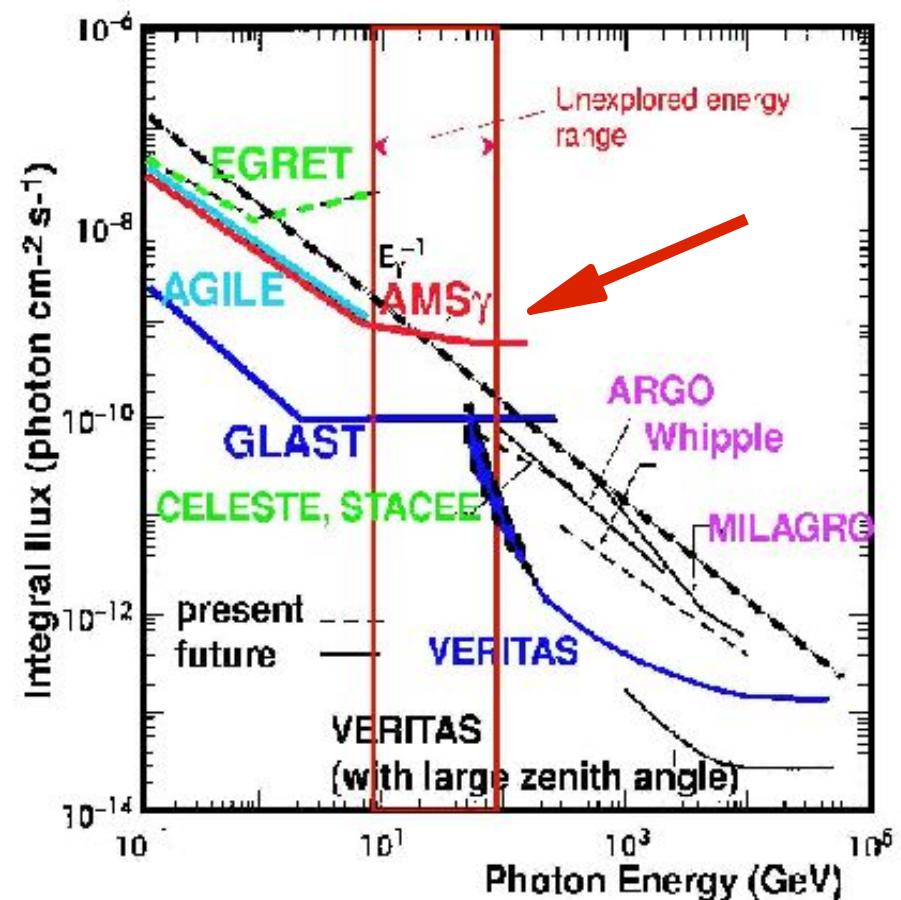
$E > 100$  MeV



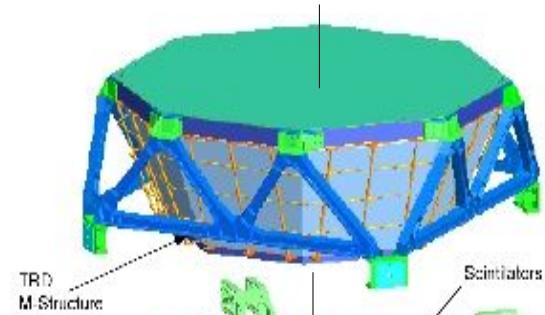
~ 280 pointlike  $\gamma$ -ray sources detected by EGRET:

- ~ 70 Active Galactic Nuclei (AGNs)
- ~ 7 Pulsars
- ~ 200 sources not identified yet

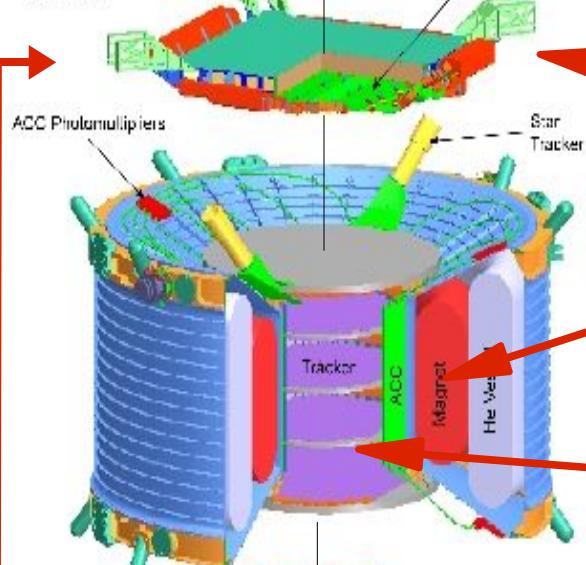
AMS-02 will constantly monitor the  $\gamma$ -ray sky to complement the observations in other wavelength bands.



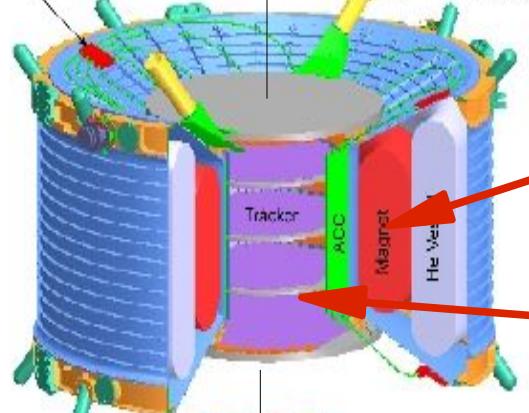
# AMS-02 Detector



**Transition radiation :** *allows hadron/electron separation*

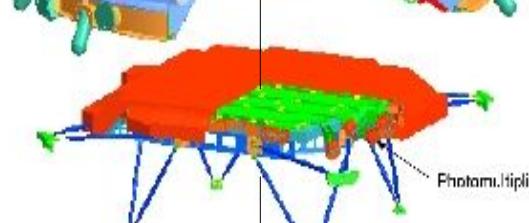


**Time of Flight :** *measures time of flight, velocity  $\beta$ , direction and  $dE/dx$*

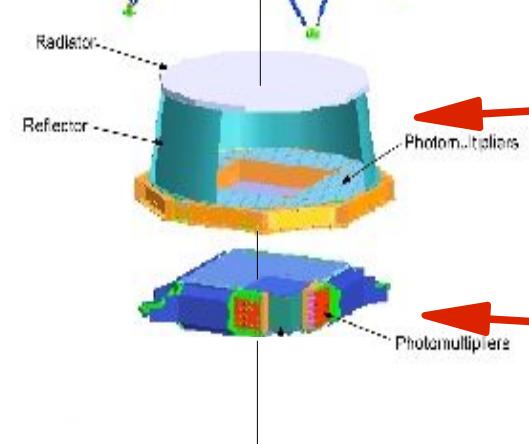


**Magnet :** *superconducting magnet ( $B=0.8T$ )*

**Tracker :** *charged particle localization, rigidity with magnet, specific energy loss ( $dE/dx \sim |Z|^2$ ), direction and energy of converted photons*

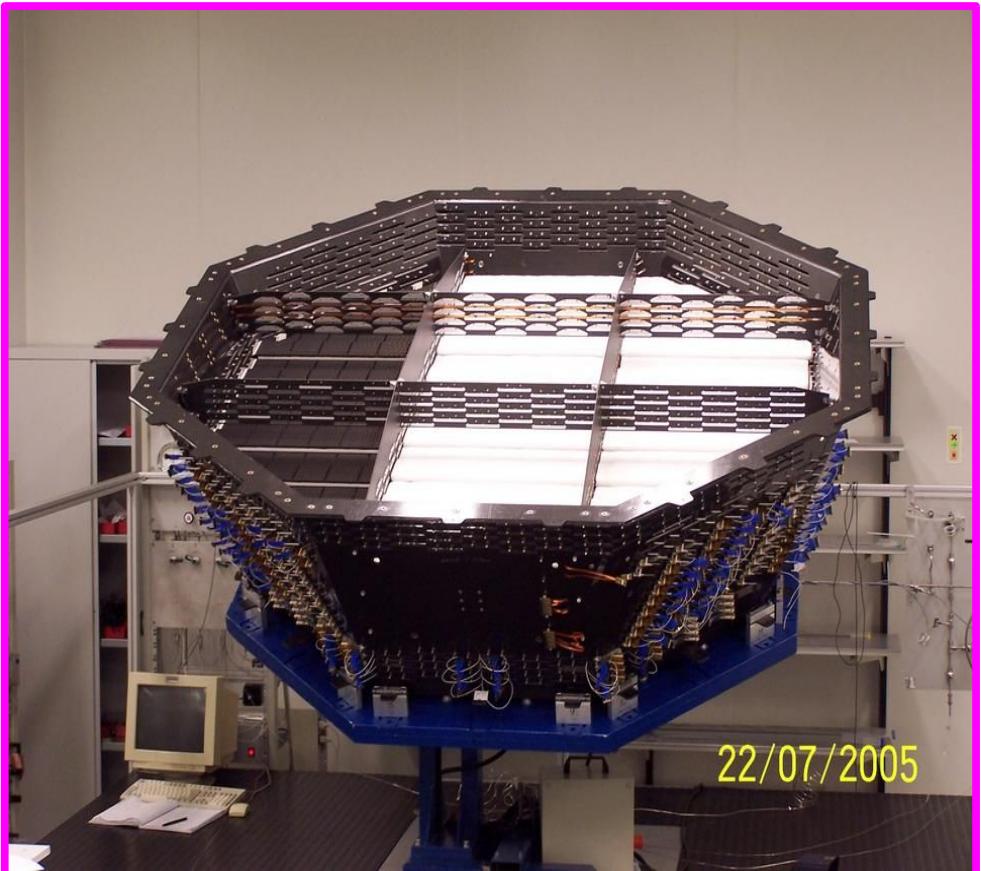


**Cerenkov :** *velocity  $\beta$ , energy loss  $dE/dx$  and mass measurements*



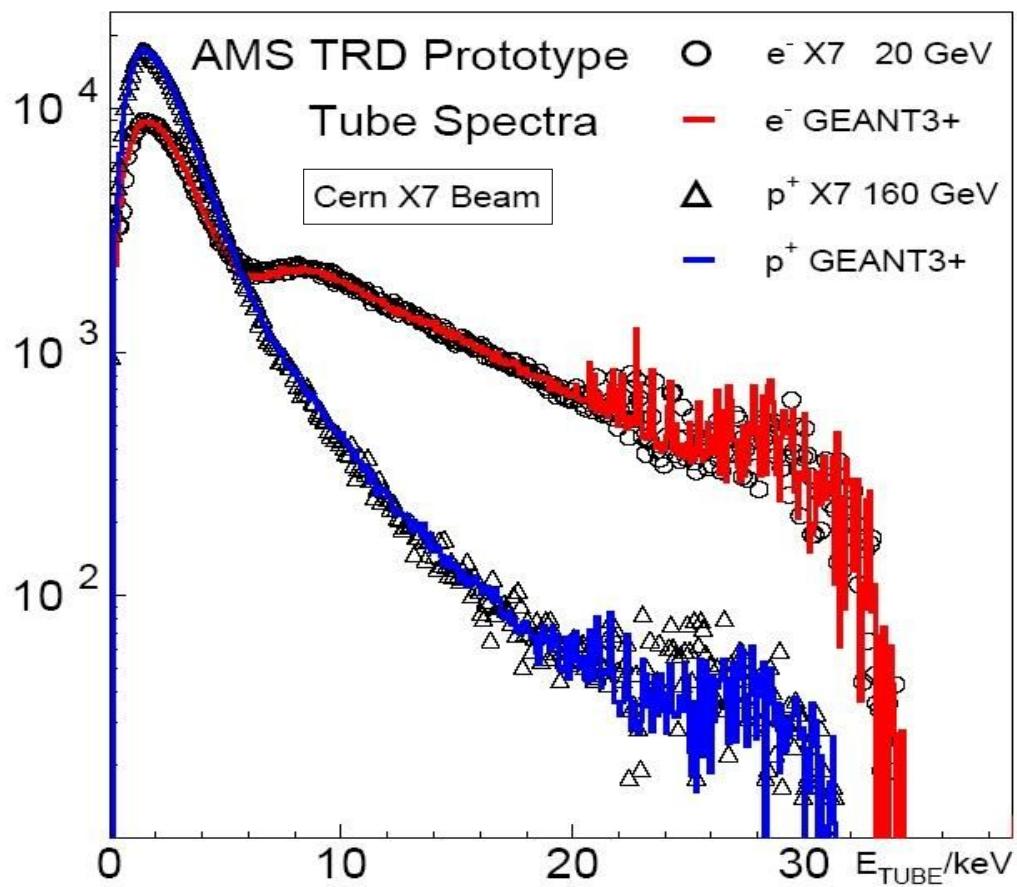
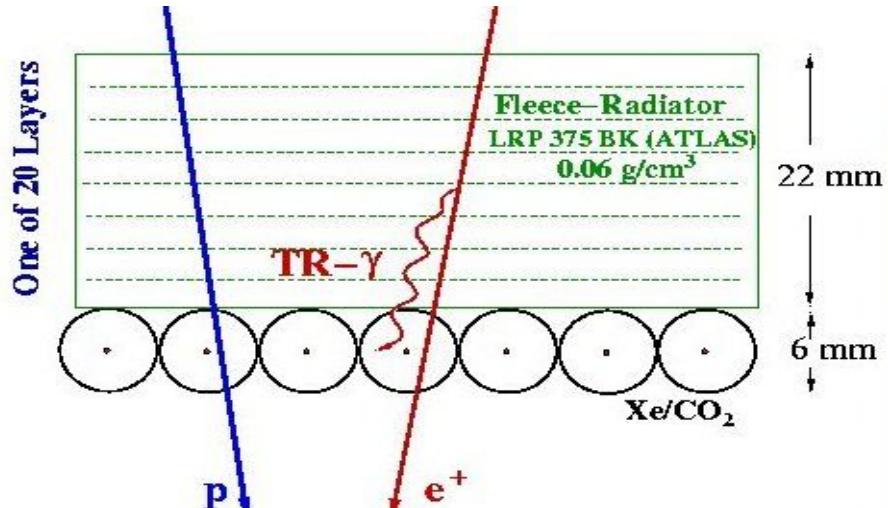
**E.m. Calorimeter :** *lepton/photon energy and lepton/hadron separation*

# AMS-02 Transition Radiation Detector



- 20 layers assembled in octagonal structure.
- 328 modules of fleece and straw tubes.

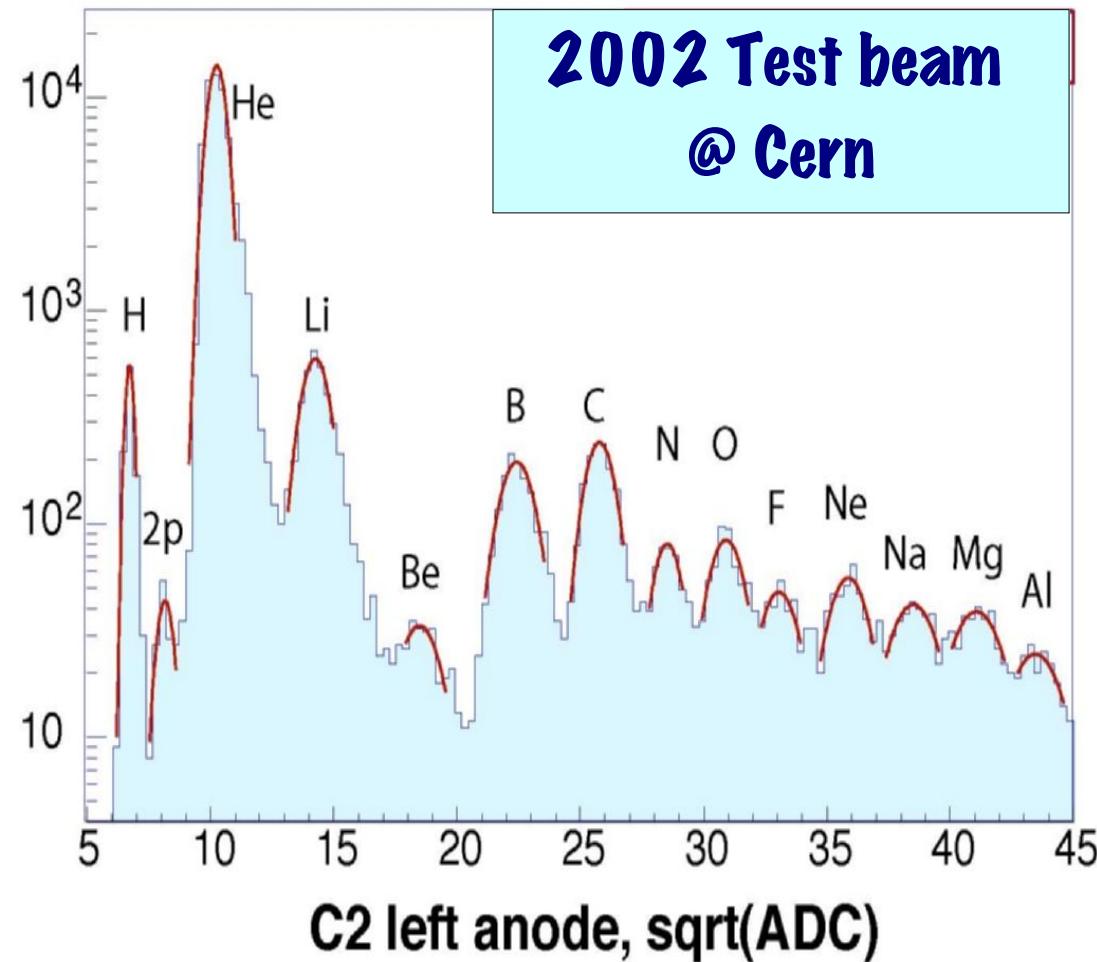
*h/e rejection of  $10^2$ - $10^3$   
(in the range  $300 \rightarrow 3$  GeV)*



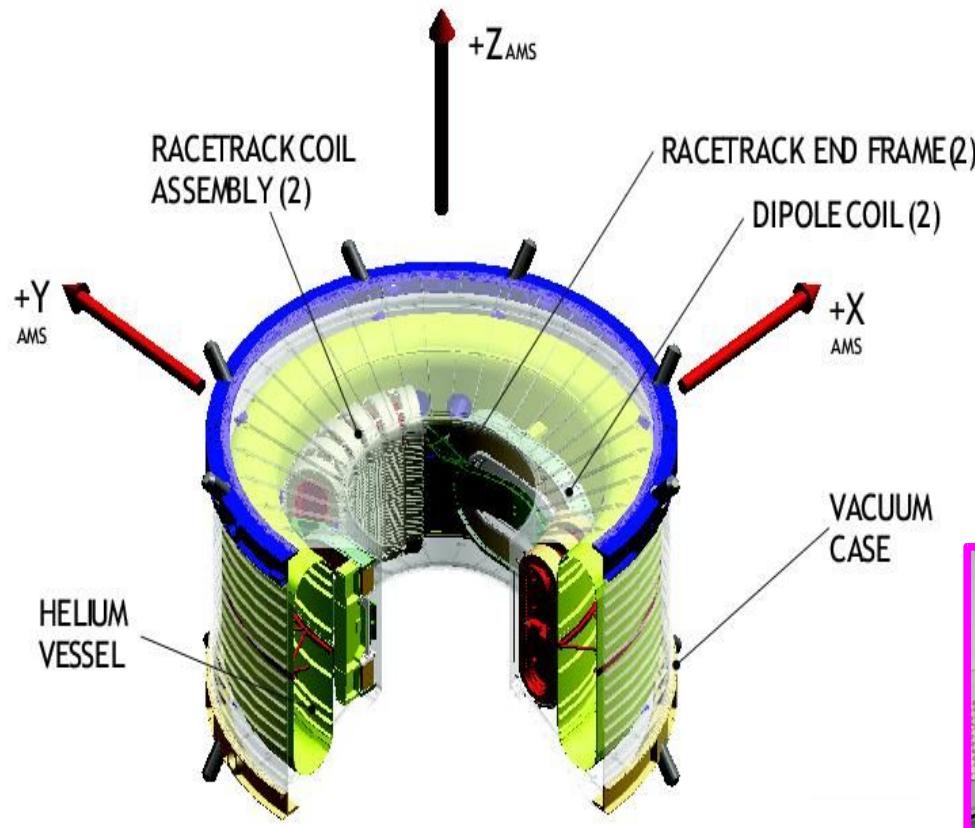
# AMS-02 Time of Flight System

*2x2 planes + total of 34 scintillator paddles  
(seen by 2 (or 3) PMTs on each side)*

*Time resolution:  $\Delta t \sim 180 \text{ ps (Z=1), } 100 \text{ ps (Z>1)}$*



# AMS-02 Superconducting Magnet

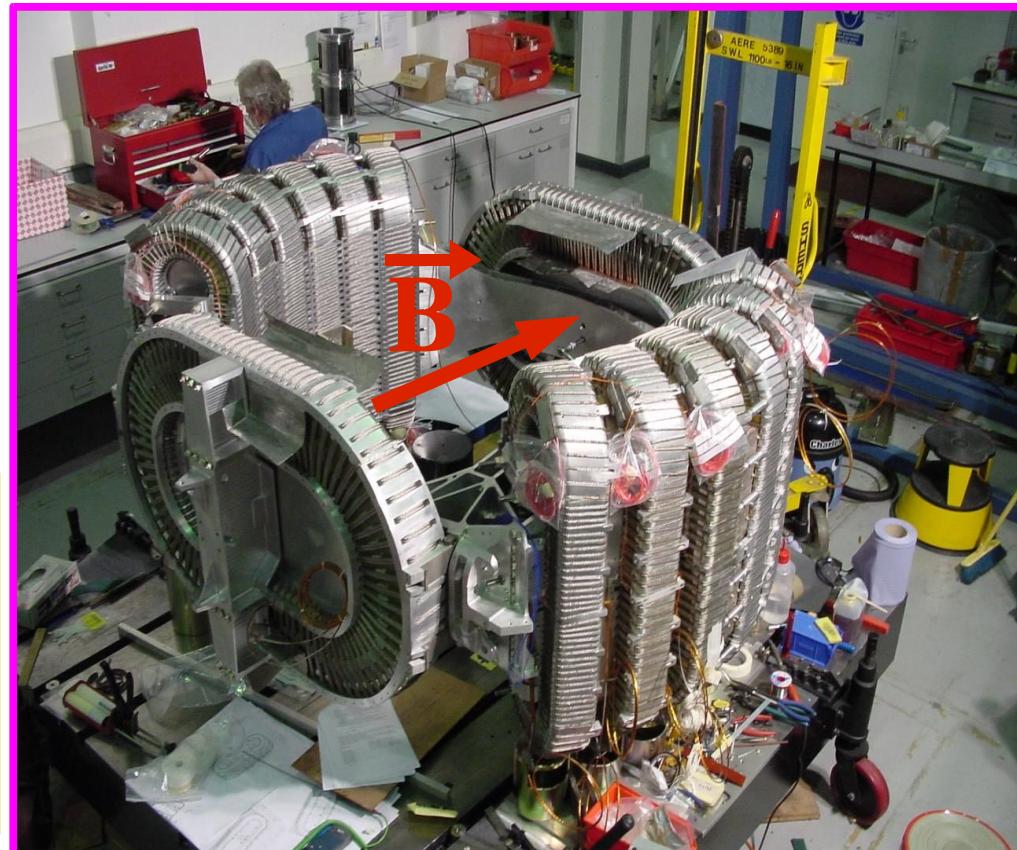


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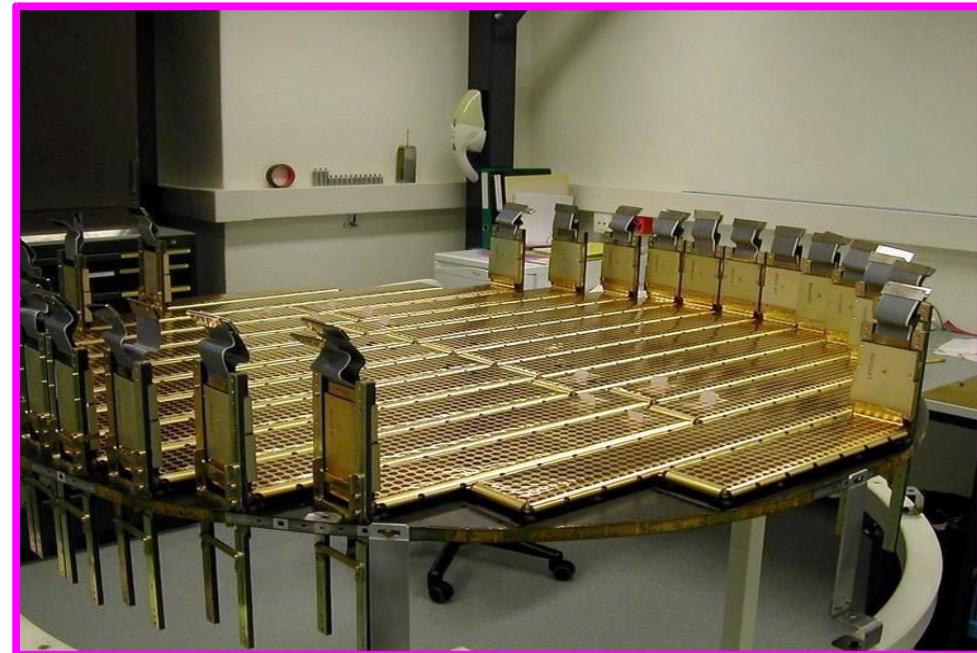
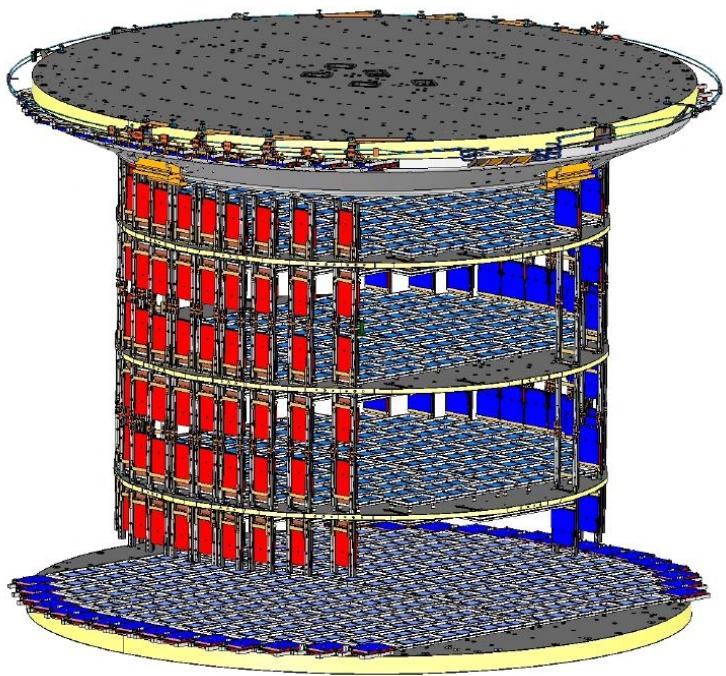
- 12 racetrack coils + 2 dipoles coils
- 2500 liters of superfluid helium

*Bending power:  $BL=0.86\text{Tm}^2$*

*AMS-02 is still the only experiment in space which will use a superconducting magnet*



# AMS-02 Silicon Tracker



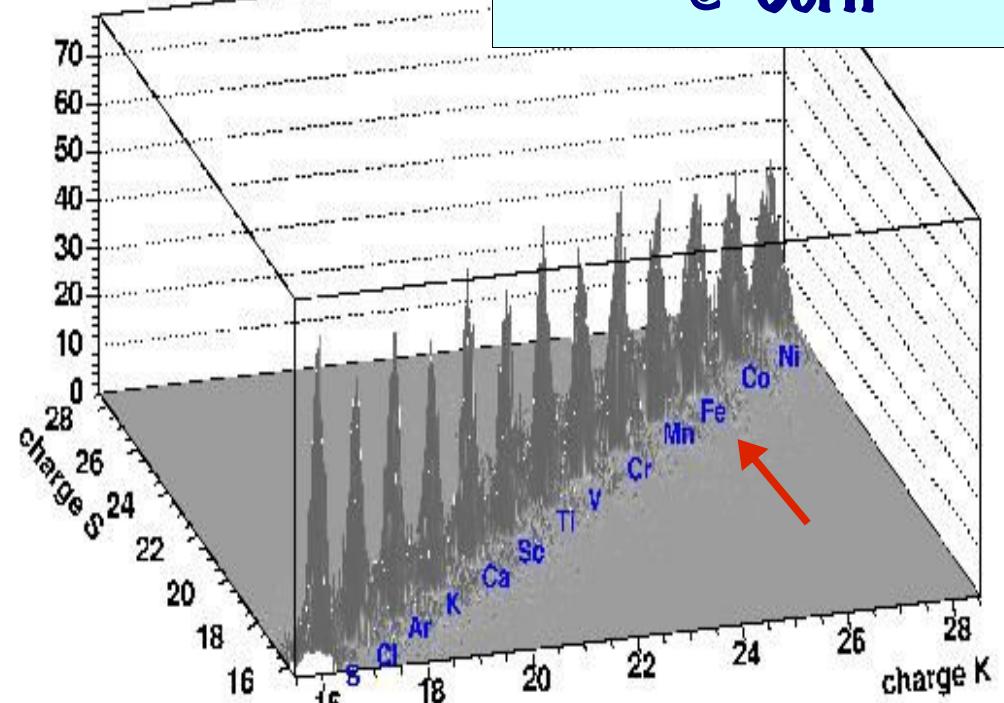
- 8 layers of double sided silicon sensors
- $6.6\text{m}^2 \rightarrow 192 \text{ Ladders} \rightarrow 196\text{k channels}$

$\sigma(p)/p = 1.5\% @ 10\text{GeV}$

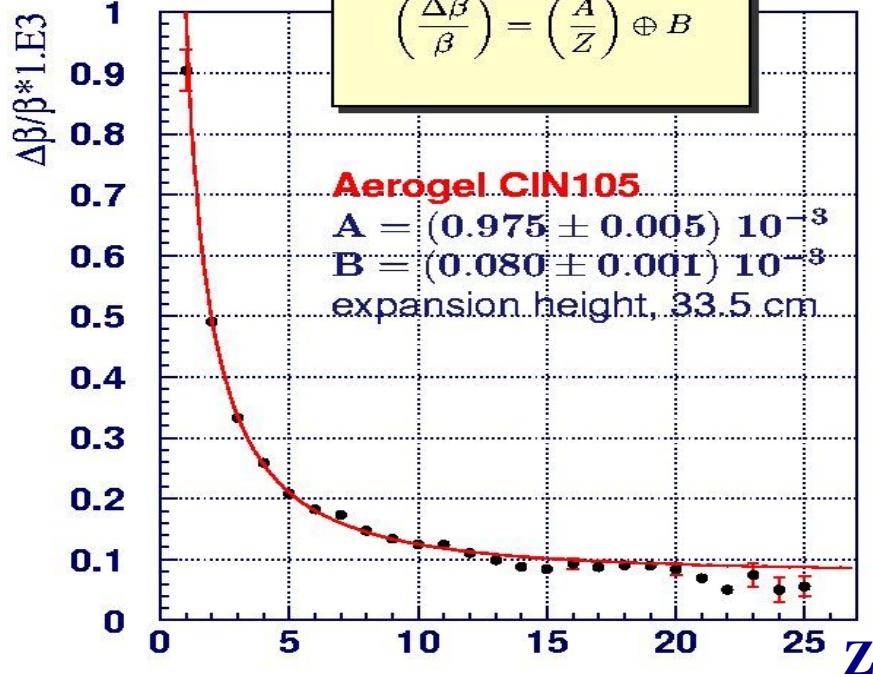
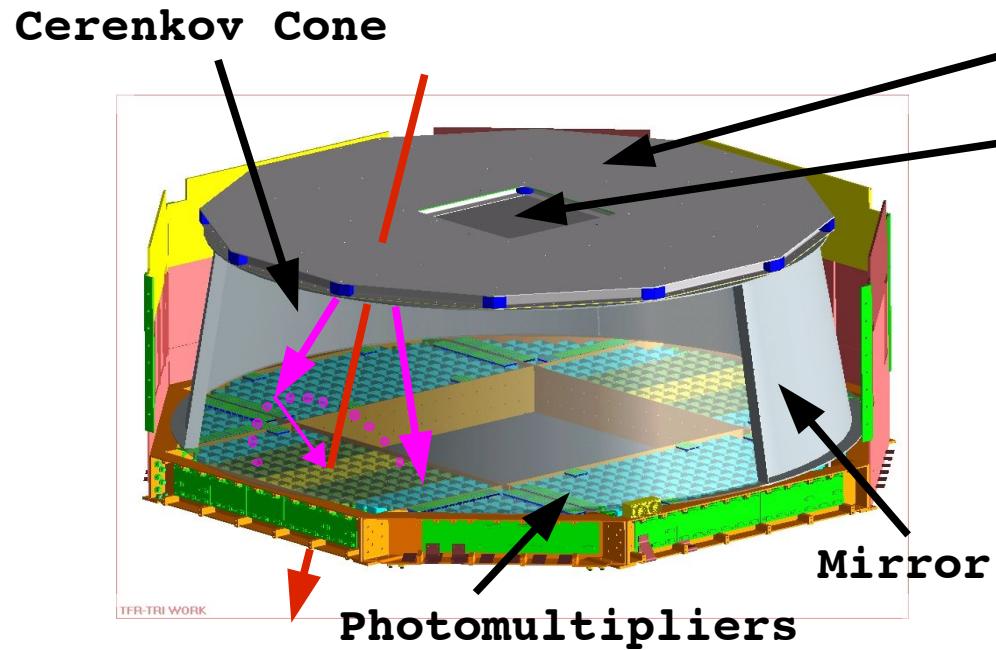
$MDR^{(*)} \sim 2.5\text{TV}$

(\*) max detec. rigidity

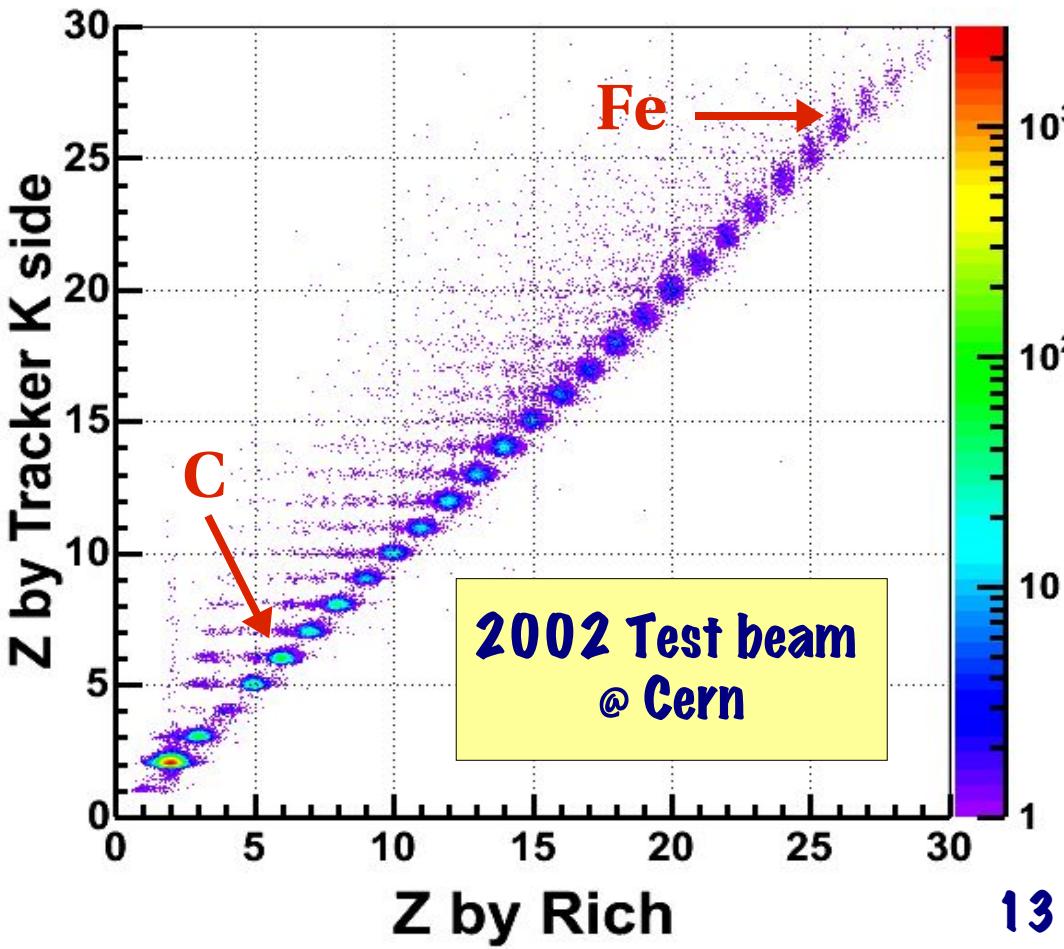
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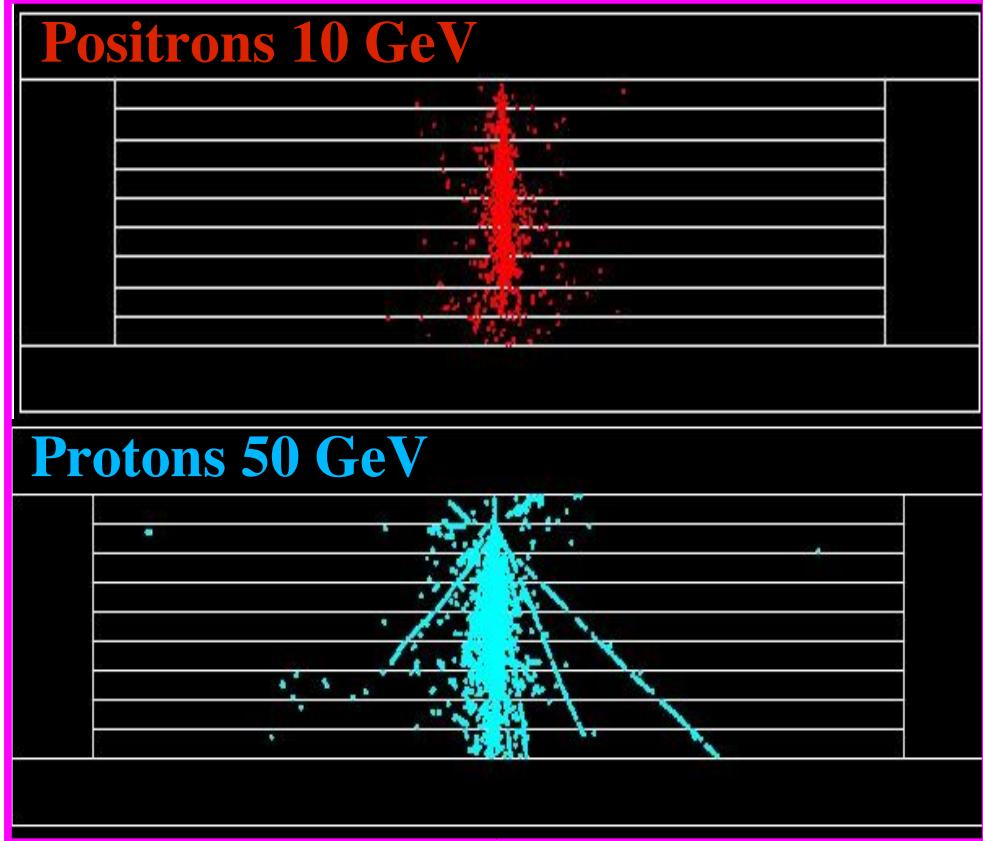
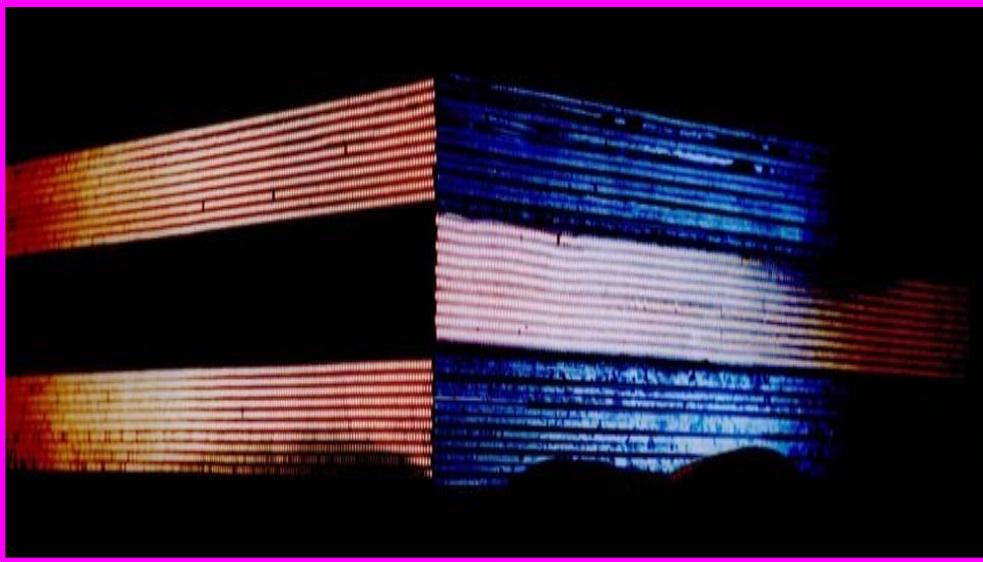
# AMS-02 Ring Imaging Cerenkov Counter



3 cm silica aerogel ( $n=1.05$ ) +  
NaF ( $n=1.33$ ) radiator  
680 multianode PMTs  
 $\sigma(\beta)/\beta = 0.1\% @ \beta=1$  (protons)  
 $\Delta Z \sim 0.2$  up to Fe

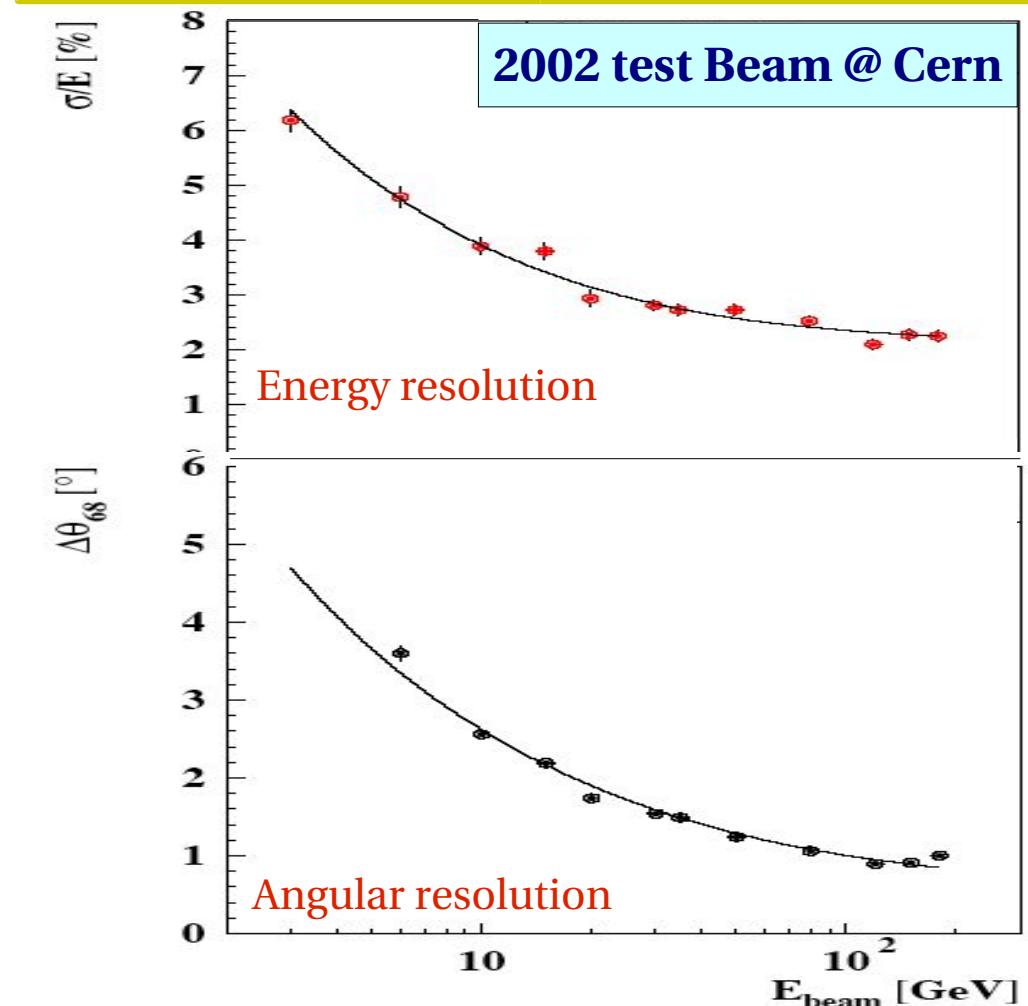


# AMS-02 Electromagnetic Calorimeter

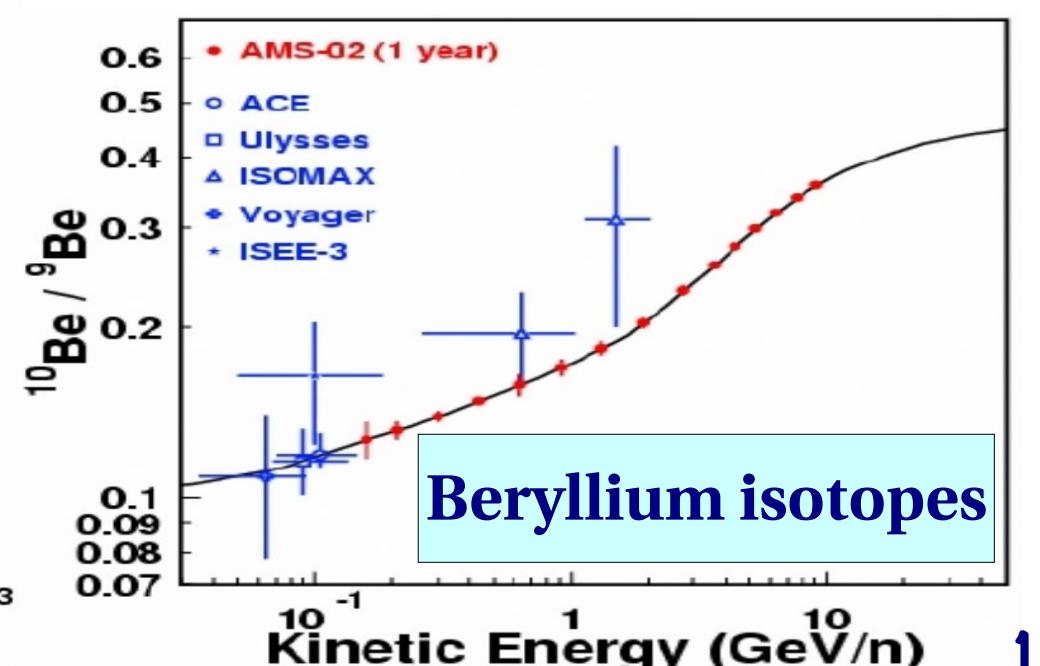
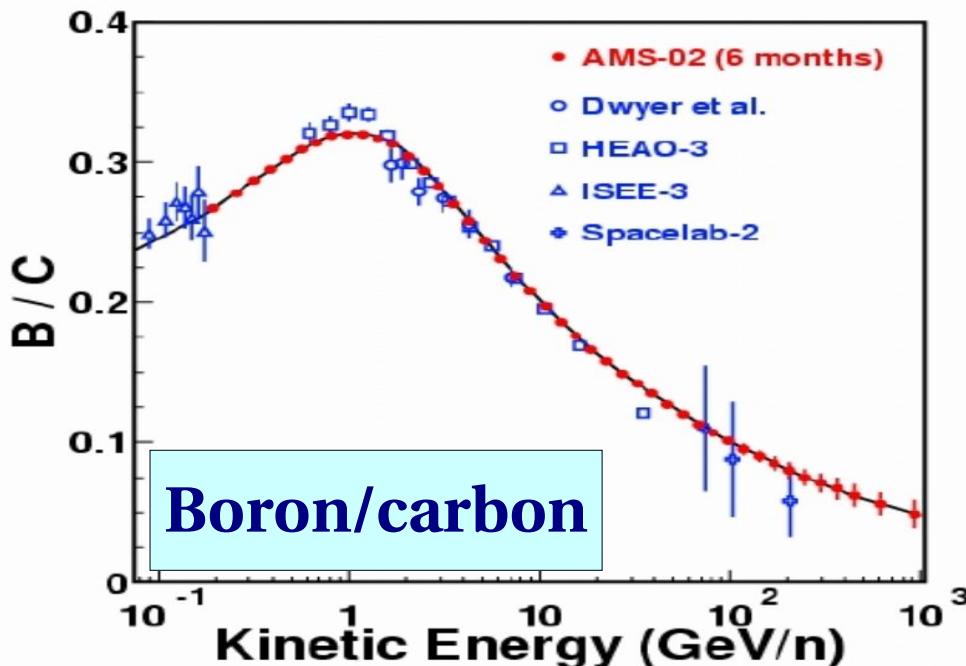
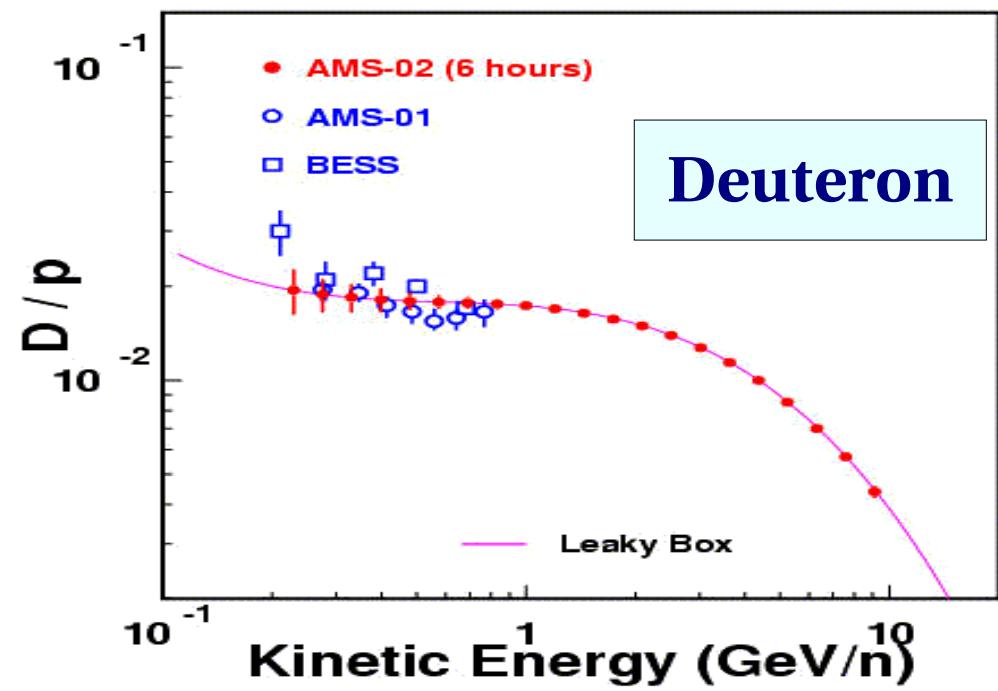
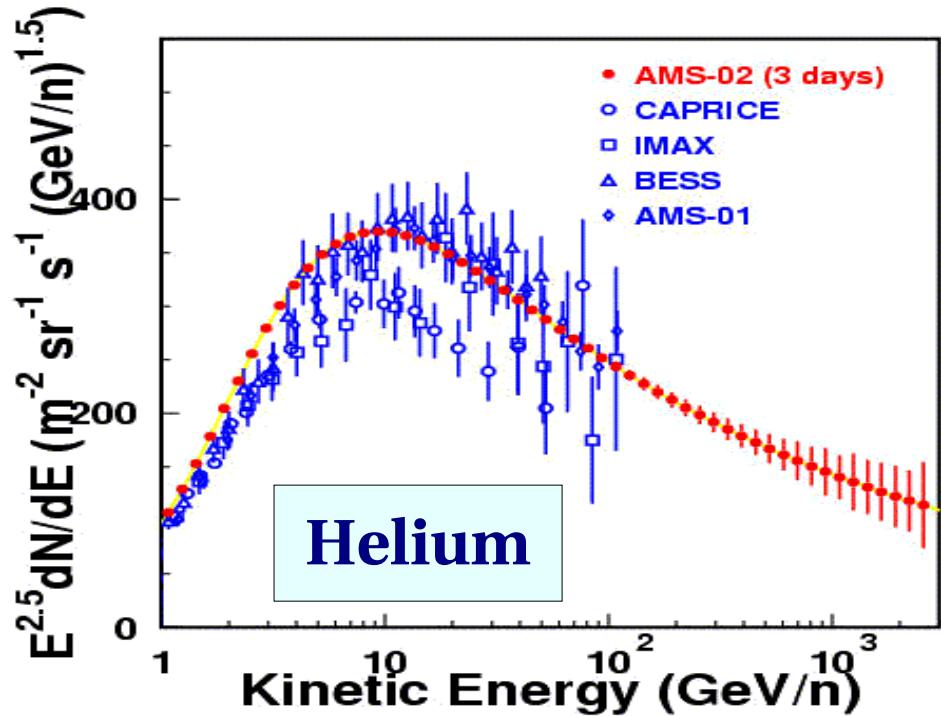


*9 super layers of Sci-Fi/Lead ( $16X_0$ )  
(324 multianode PMTs)*

$\sigma(E)/E = 3\% @ 100\text{GeV}$   
*p/e rejection of  $10^3$*

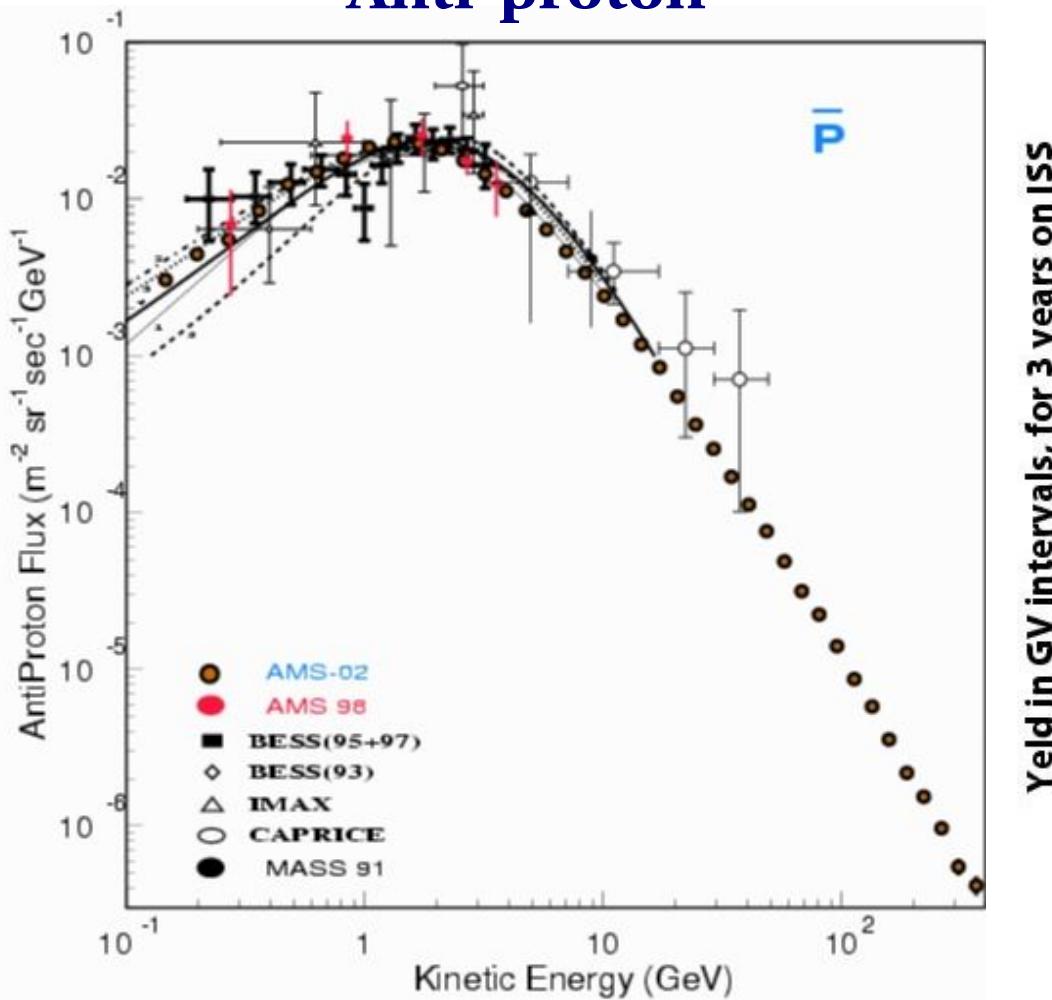


# Cosmic Ray Detection

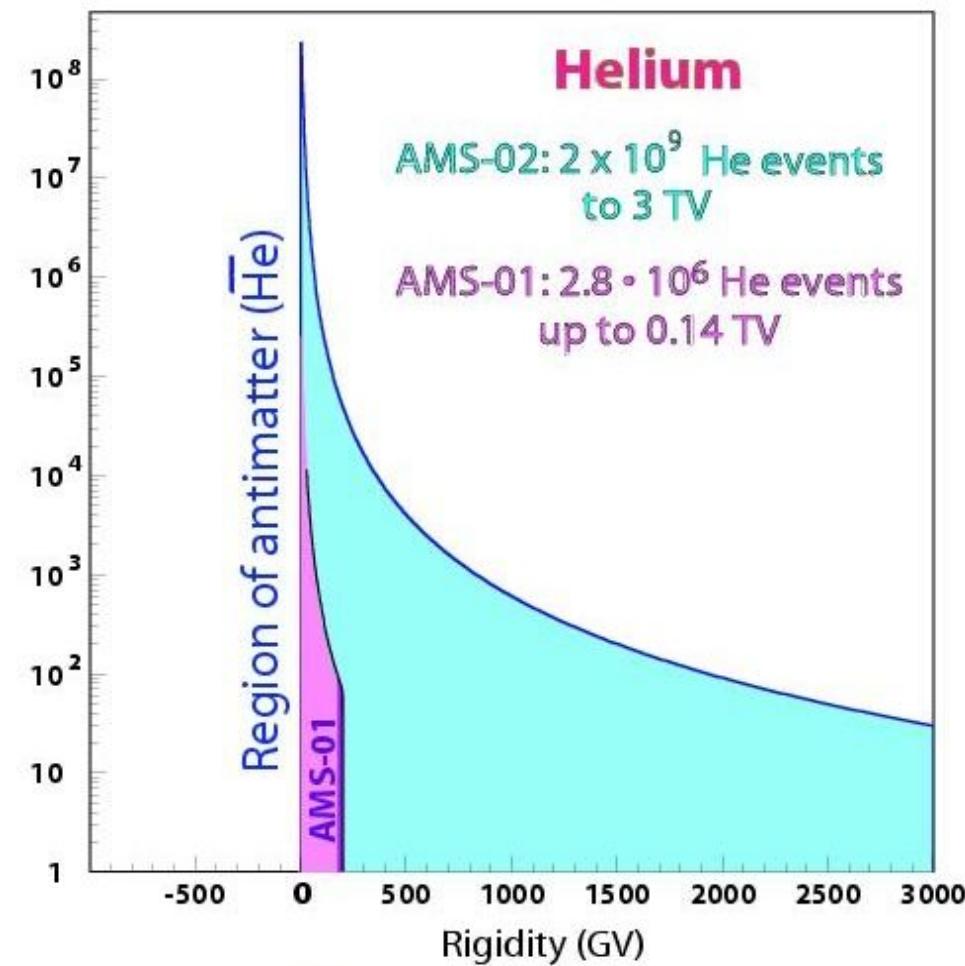


# Search for Antimatter

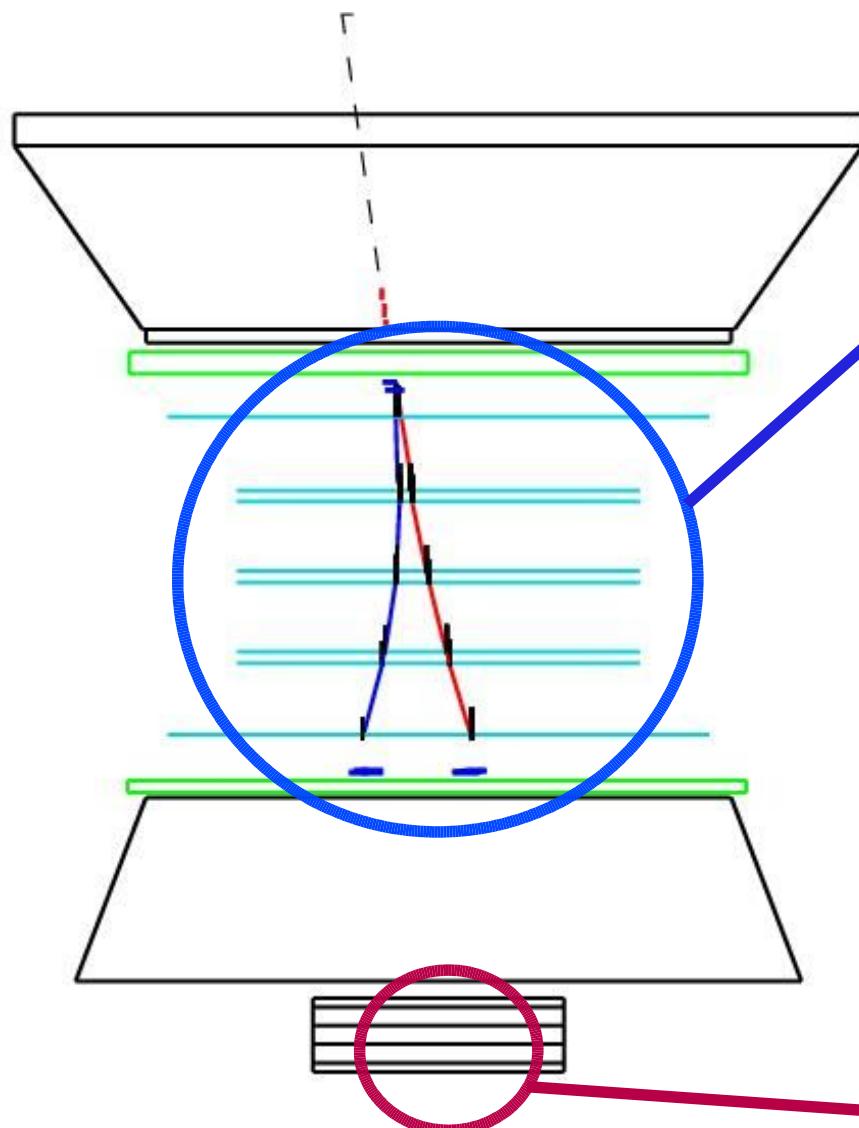
## Anti-proton



## Anti-Helium

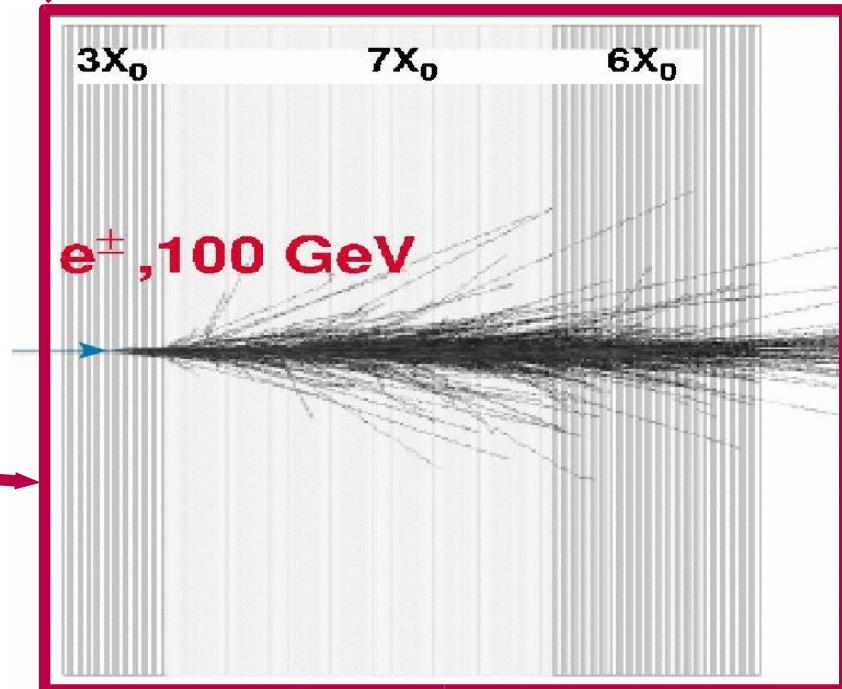


# $\gamma$ -Ray Detection with AMS-02



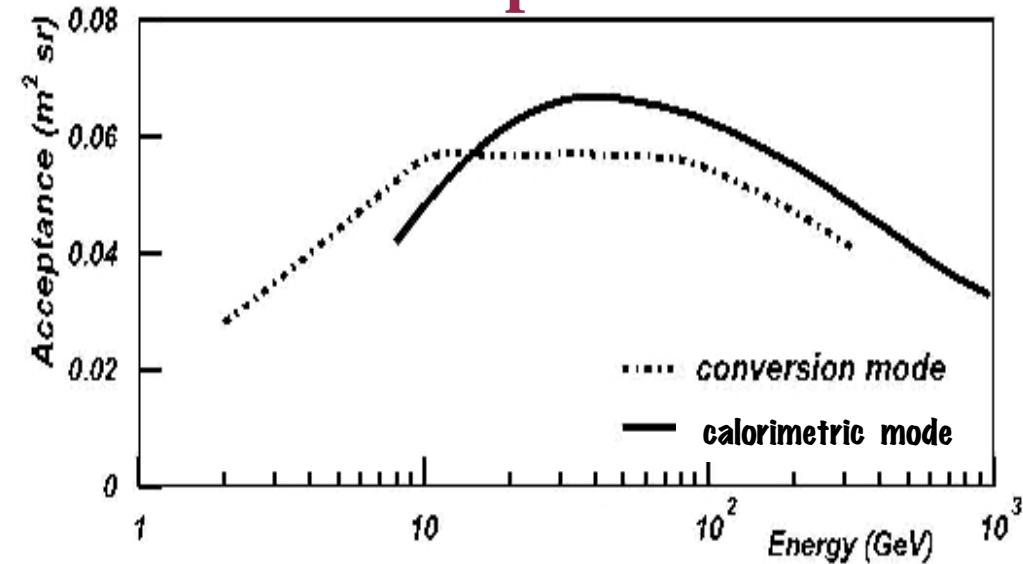
*Conversion Mode:  
 $e+e-$  pair in the TR*

*Calorimetric Mode:  
e.m. shower in ECAL*

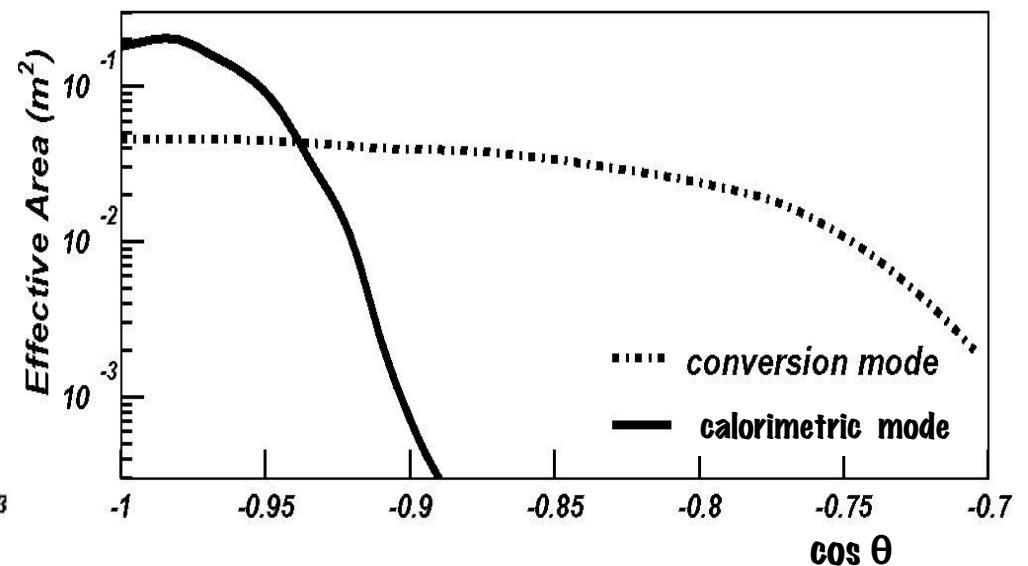


# Tracker and Ecal Performances

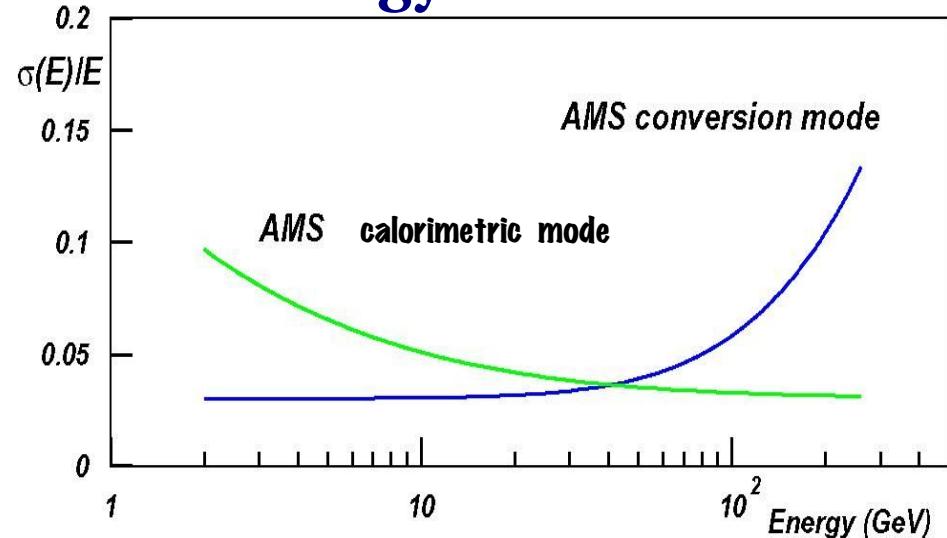
## Acceptance



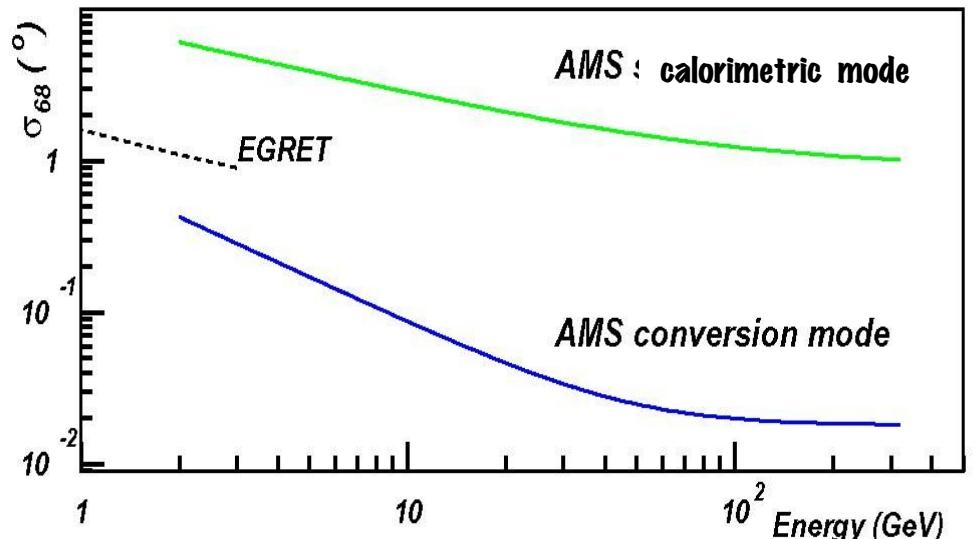
## Effective Area



## Energy Resolution

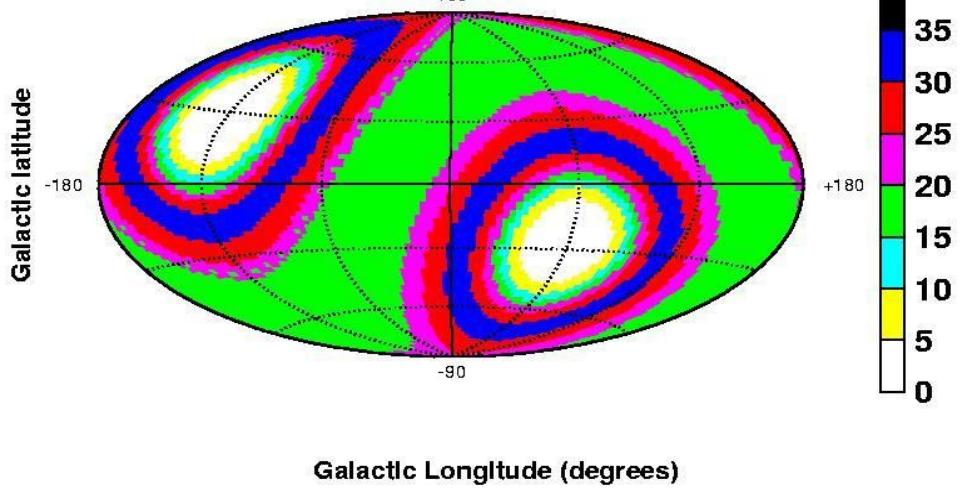


## Angular resolution

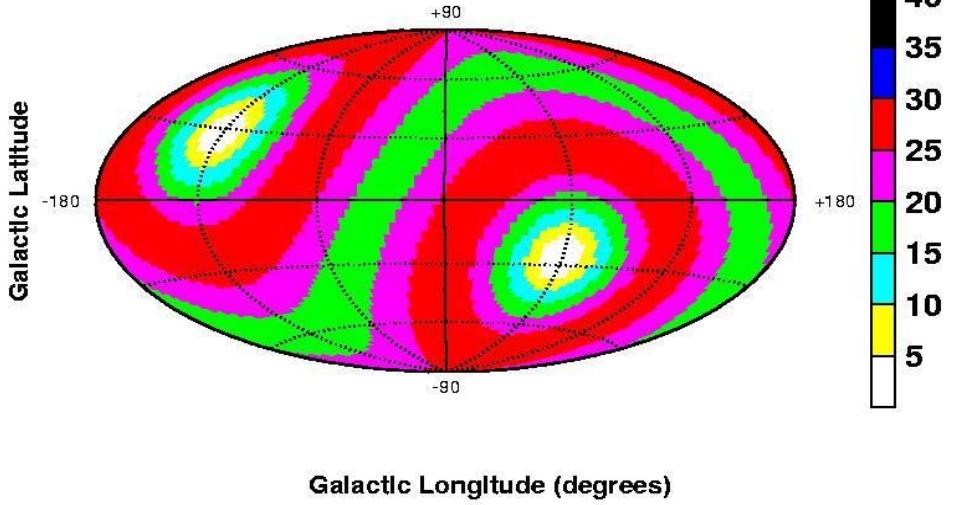


# AMS-02 high energy Gamma Rays Exposure

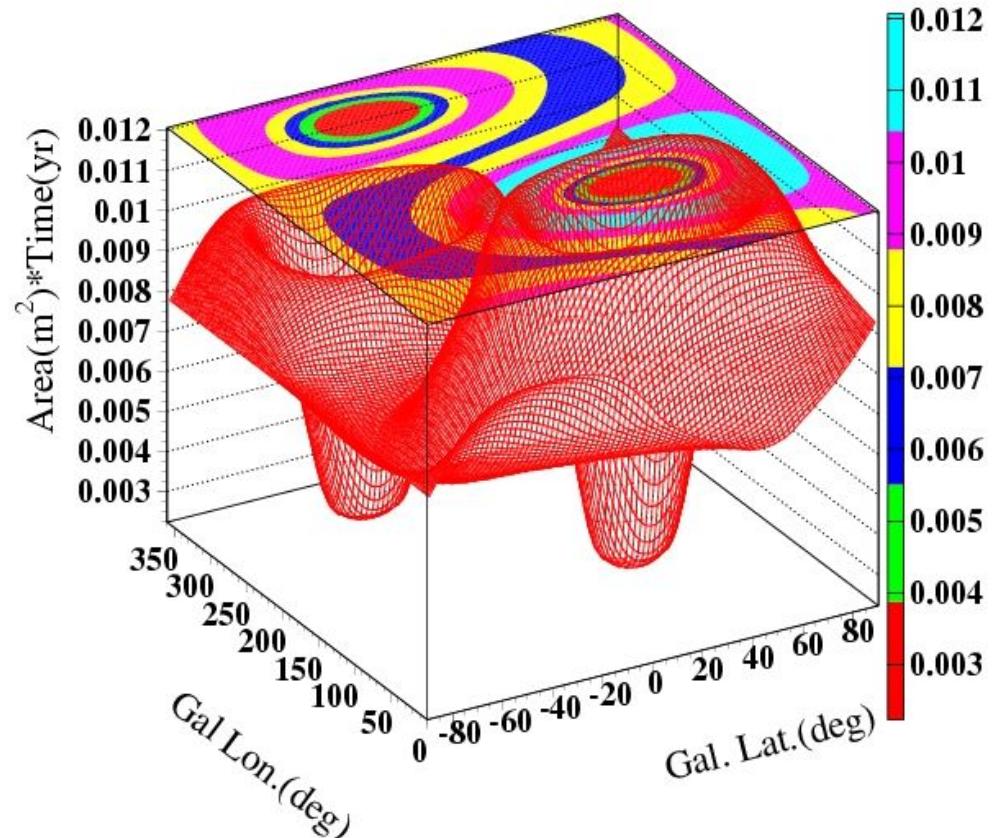
One year AMS-02 Ecal Exposure



One year AMS-02 Tracker Exposure



One year AMS-02 Tracker+ Ecal Exposure



*Tracker + Calorimeter  
give the whole sky  
coverage*

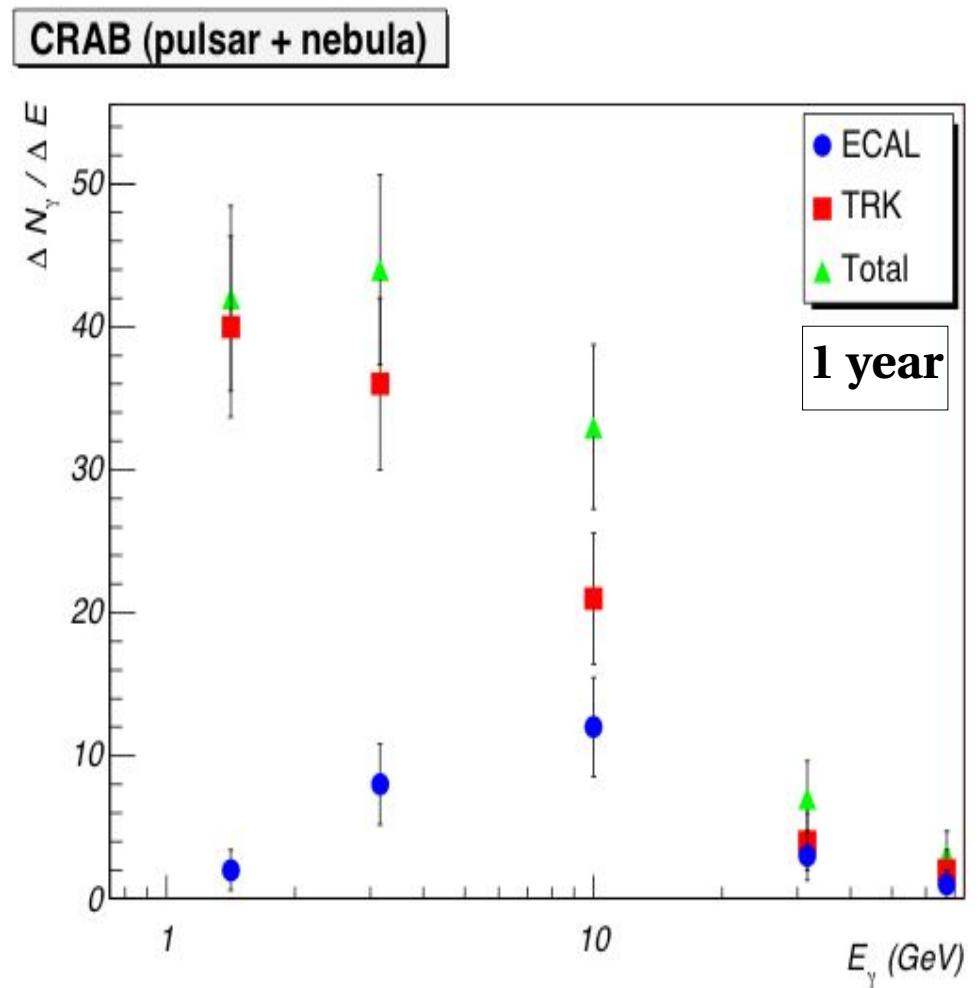
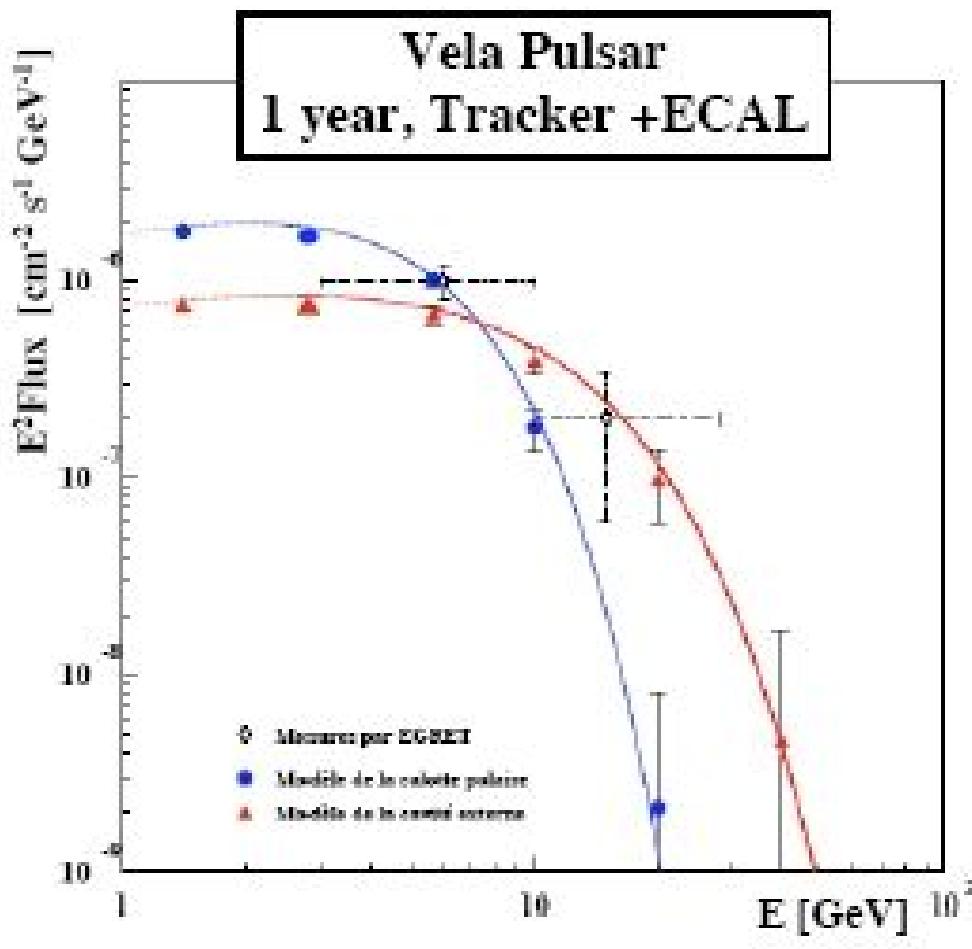
# One example : estimates for $\gamma$ -sources

*Using a fast simulation **tool**  
with parametrization **of**  
**AMS-02 ECAL and Tracker**  
**acceptances and resolutions***

1 year data taking

| 3EG Catalog | Other Name  | N $\gamma$ (Tracker) | N $\gamma$ (ECAL) | N $\gamma$ (total) |
|-------------|-------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| J0210-5055  | 0208-512    | 47.0                 | 13.4              | 60.4               |
| J0530+1323  | 0528+134    | 18.7                 | 4.0               | 22.7               |
| J0534+2200  | <b>Crab</b> | <b>102.2</b>         | <b>26.6</b>       | <b>128.8</b>       |
| J0834-4511* | <b>Vela</b> | <b>491.4</b>         | <b>203.8</b>      | <b>695.2</b>       |
| J1255-0549  | 3C279       | 138.6                | 35.8              | 138.6              |
| J1409-0745  | 1406-076    | 31.7                 | 5.9               | 37.6               |
| J1635+3813  | 1633+382    | 65.5                 | 18.3              | 83.8               |

# One example : estimates for $\gamma$ -sources



# Conclusions

- *AMS-02 is approved by NASA to operate on the ISS for 3 years at least.*
- *AMS-02 will be fully assembled end 2007.*
- *AMS-02 large acceptance and long exposure time outside the Earth's atmosphere, will allow an unprecedented sensitive search for Antimatter, Dark Matter and studies of Cosmic Rays.*
- *Interesting Galactic and Extragalactic Gamma Ray measurements can be made.*

