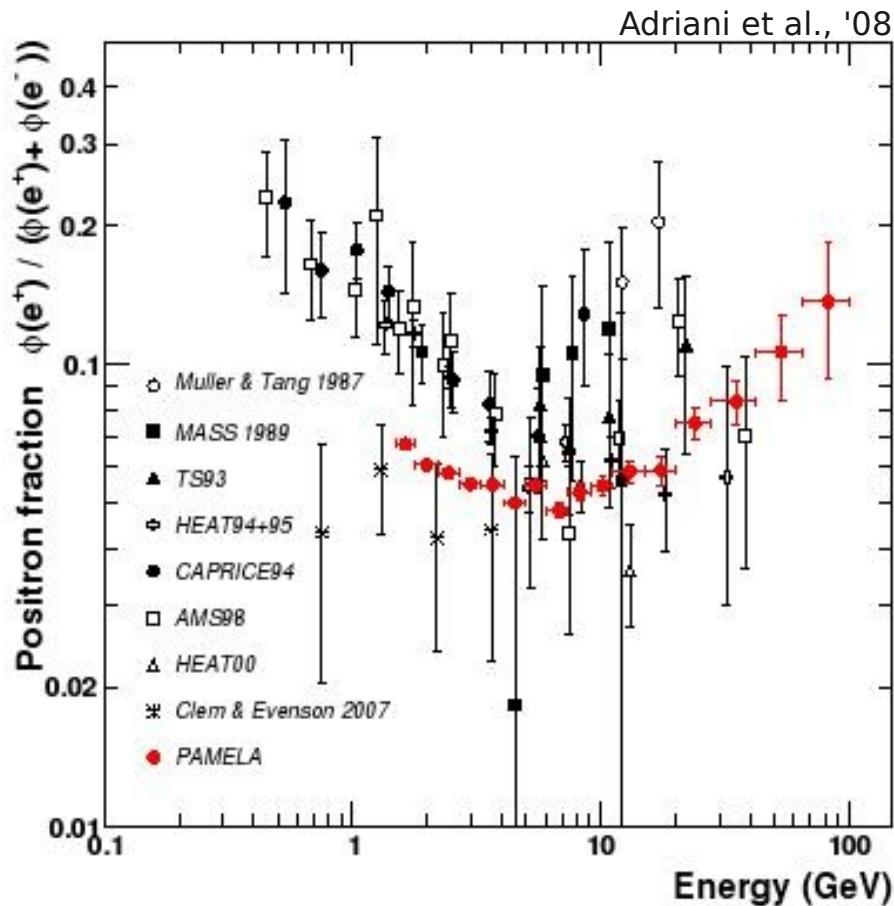


*Testing  
the  
Dark Matter Interpretation  
of the  
PAMELA Positron Excess  
with the  
FERMI Telescope*

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# Positron fraction



## Puzzle:

explanation of the sharp raise assuming the source is given by interactions of CRs with the interstellar medium



**nearby  
source of  
positrons**

In abstracts on astro-ph/hep-ph:

pamela positron: 198 papers

“ “ + dark matter: 172 papers

“ “ + pulsar: 21 papers

# Test for the interpretations of the excess

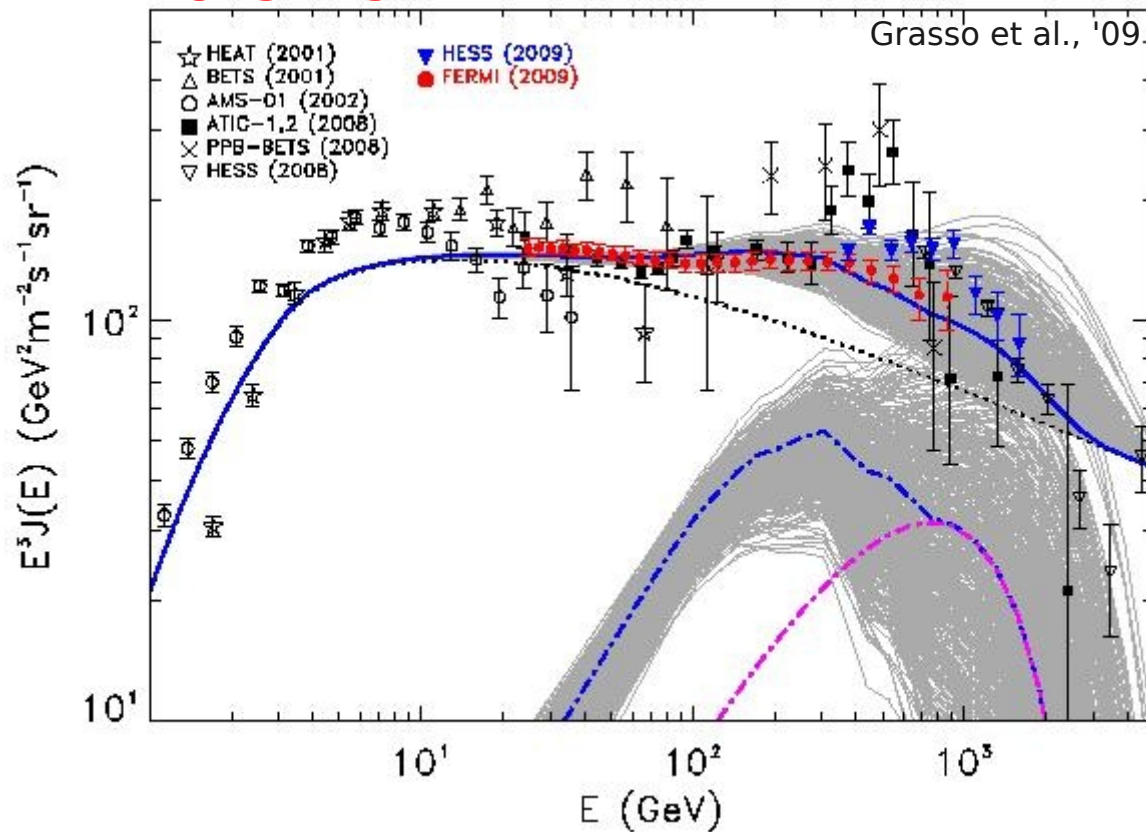
Test of the interpretation of the PAMELA excess  
with an observable such that:

- 1) Predictions for the DM-induced signal and for the CR-induced signal (or other astrophysical sources) are very different:  
**disentanglement possible even in presence of some theoretical uncertainties**
- 2) Predictions relying on the same assumptions as for the positron fraction:  
**self-consistent test**

# Spectrum

## SPECTRAL ANALYSIS

### PULSARS:



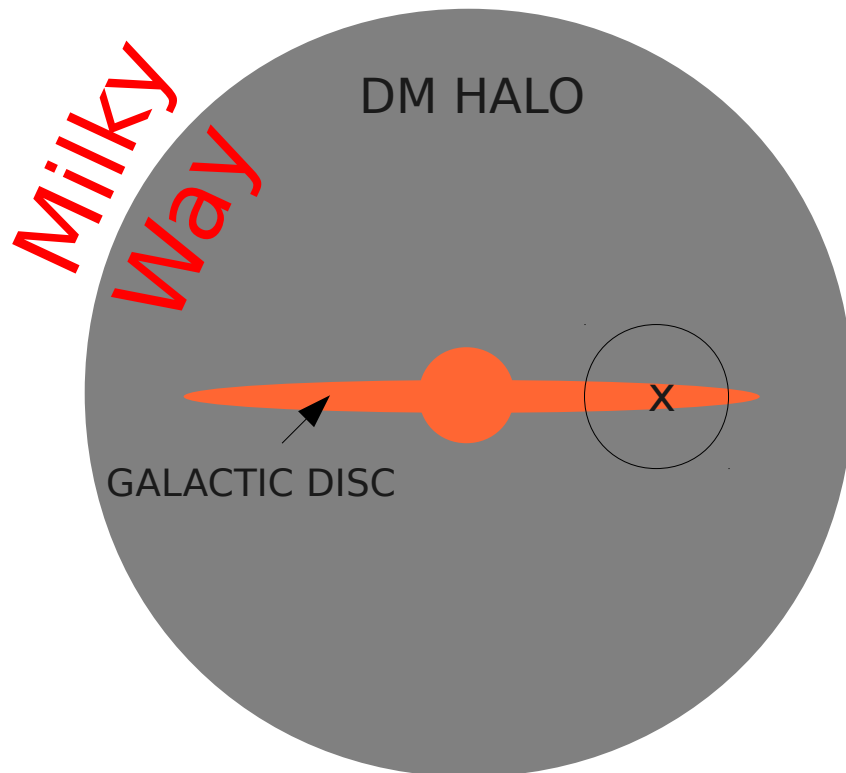
**DM interpretation:**  
The induced spectrum is even more uncertain (annihilation/decay modes, mass, source, ..)

Distinguishing between DM and other astrophysical source is very hard from spectral analysis only.

# Spatial distribution

**More promising by studying the spatial distribution of the signal**

- 1) anisotropy in the local electron/positron spectrum
- 2) radiative diffuse emission in the nearby region  
(synchrotron radiation and Inverse Compton scattering)

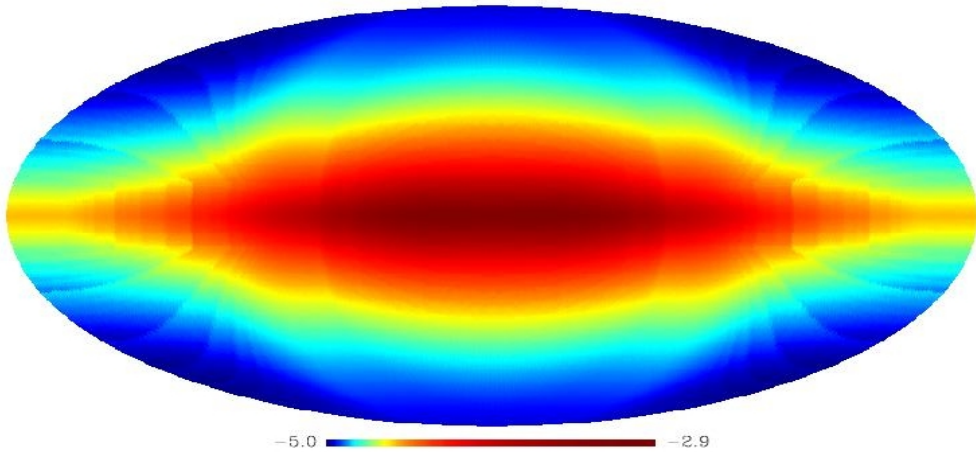


**Self-consistent test**

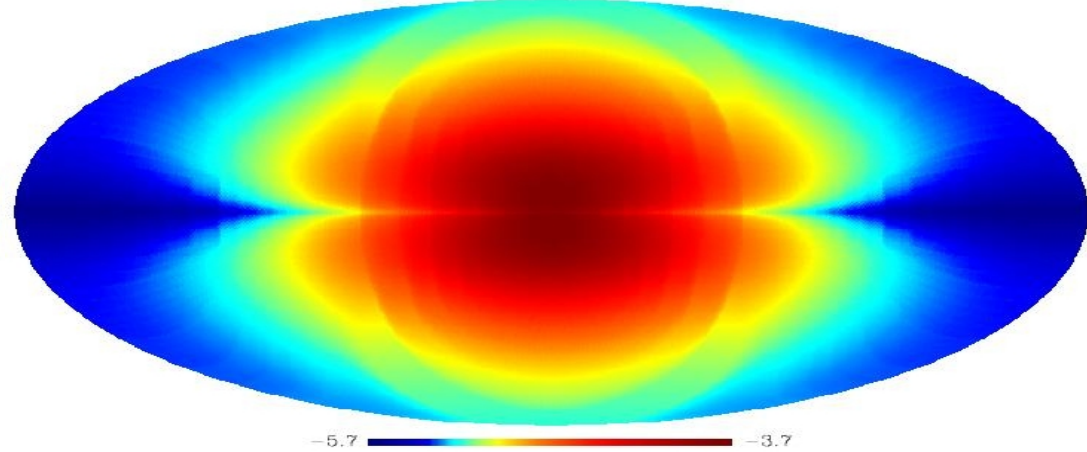
# Diffuse emission

## IC sky-map at 150 GeV

from CR  $e^-+e^+$



from DM induced  $e^-+e^+$



DM (and astrophysical) sources fitting the PAMELA positron excess **do not show a clear bump** in the diffuse emission at **low latitudes**.

**DM** models induce an **excess** at **mid-high latitudes** in the  $\gamma$ -ray band ( $E > 100$  GeV).

**Disentanglement is possible**

# Transport equation

$$\frac{\partial n_i(\vec{r}, p, t)}{\partial t} = \underbrace{\vec{\nabla} \cdot (D_{xx} \vec{\nabla} n_i - \vec{v}_c n_i)}_{\text{SPATIAL DIFFUSION}} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial p} p^2 D_{pp} \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \frac{1}{p^2} n_i}_{\text{REACCELERATION}} - \underbrace{\frac{\partial}{\partial p} \left[ \dot{p} n_i - \frac{p}{3} (\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{v}_c) n_i \right]}_{\text{ENERGY LOSS}} + \underbrace{q(\vec{r}, p, t)}_{\text{SOURCE}} + \underbrace{\frac{n_i}{\tau_f} + \frac{n_i}{\tau_r}}_{\text{DECAY FRAGMENTATION}}$$

CONVECTION

Data give indications of averages of **propagation parameters over the nearby region of the Galaxy**

Solved numerically on a grid using the Crank-Nicolson scheme (**GALPROP code: Strong&Moskalenko, '98**) and assuming **steady-state** and **cylindrical symmetry**.

# Positron Source / WIMP induced $e^+e^-$

## annihilating DM

$$Q_i^a(r, E) = (\sigma_a v) \frac{\rho(r)^2}{2 M_\chi^2} \times \frac{dN_i^a}{dE}(E)$$

## decaying DM

$$Q_i^d(r, E) = \Gamma_d \frac{\rho(r)}{M_\chi} \times \frac{dN_i^d}{dE}(E)$$

$$\Gamma_d^{-1} = \tau \simeq (\sigma_a v)^{-1} \cdot M_\chi / \rho_0$$

## PAMELA data:

- mass above 100 GeV
- leptophilic
- “large” annihilation rate

	$M_\chi$ [GeV]	$\sigma_a v$ [cm <sup>3</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> ]	annihilation modes	spatial profile	line coding
DMe	300	$3.8 \cdot 10^{-24}$	$e^+e^-$	Burkert	dotted
DM $\tau$	400	$6.6 \cdot 10^{-24}$	$\tau^+\tau^-$	Burkert	dashed
DM $\mu$	1500	$2.5 \cdot 10^{-23}$	$\mu^+\mu^-$	Burkert	dashed-dotted

## DM spatial profile:

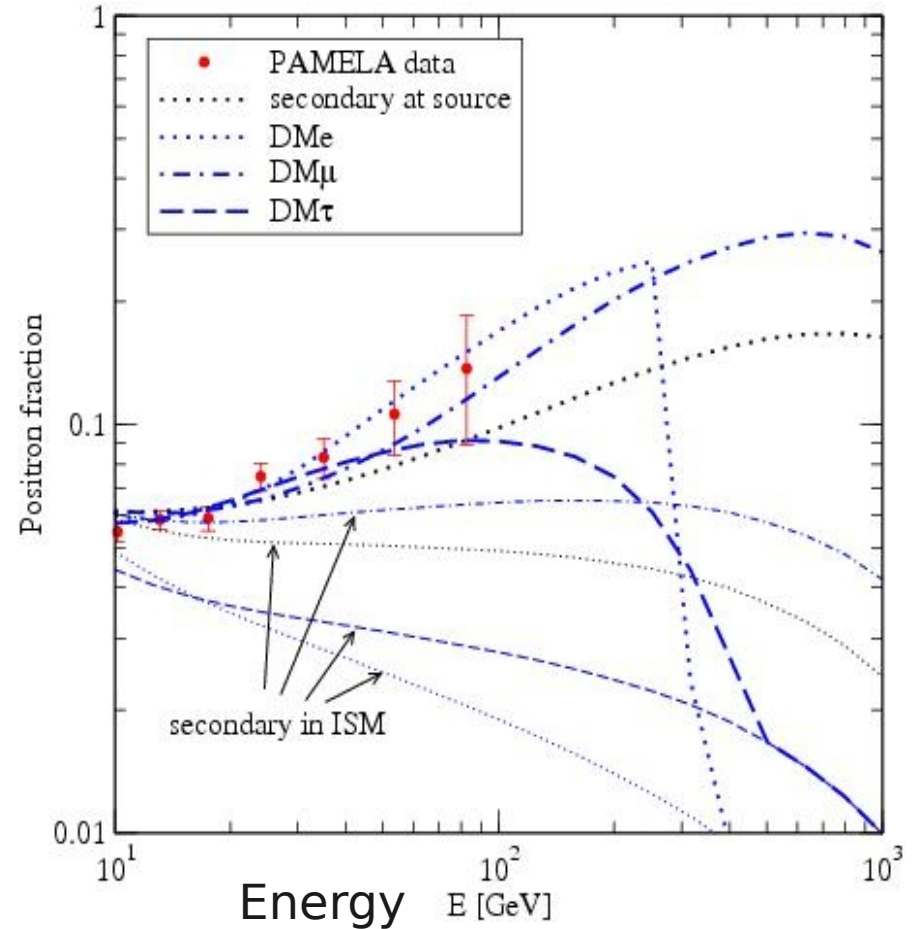
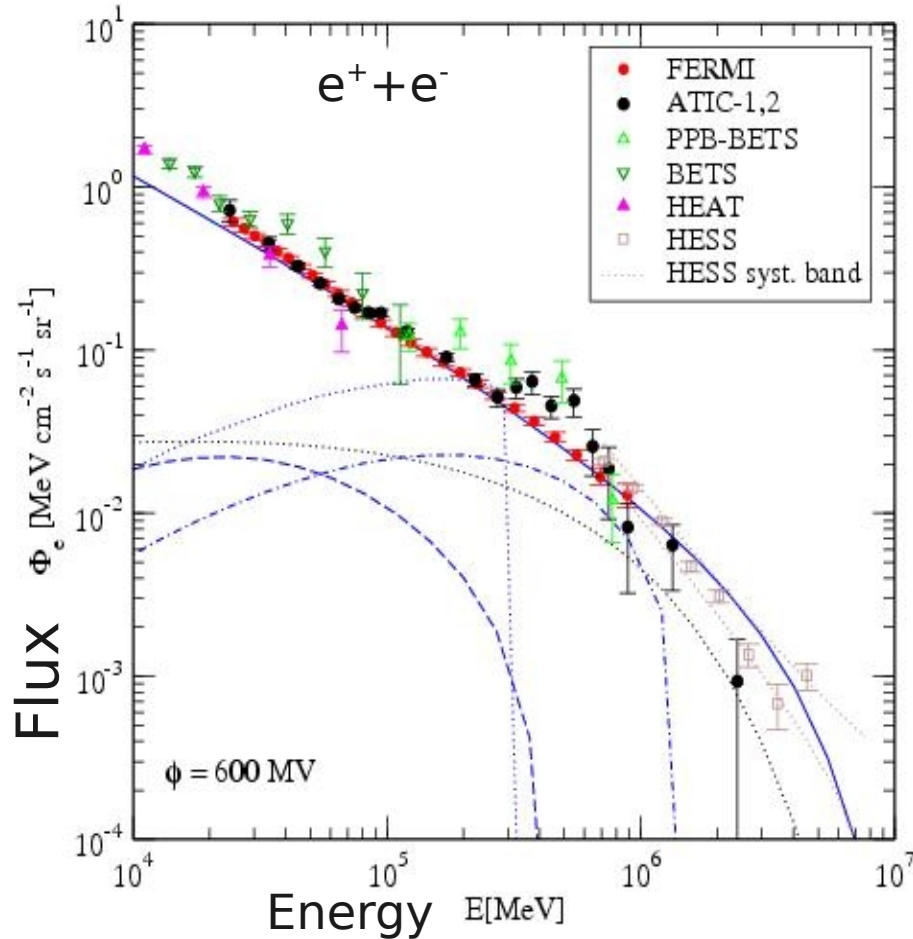
(To avoid constraints from GC)

Burkert form:  
( $r_c = 11.7$  kpc)

$$\rho(r) = \frac{\rho_0}{(1 + r/r_c)(1 + (r/r_c)^2)}$$

# Electrons/positrons spectrum

“Conventional” propagation model B0:

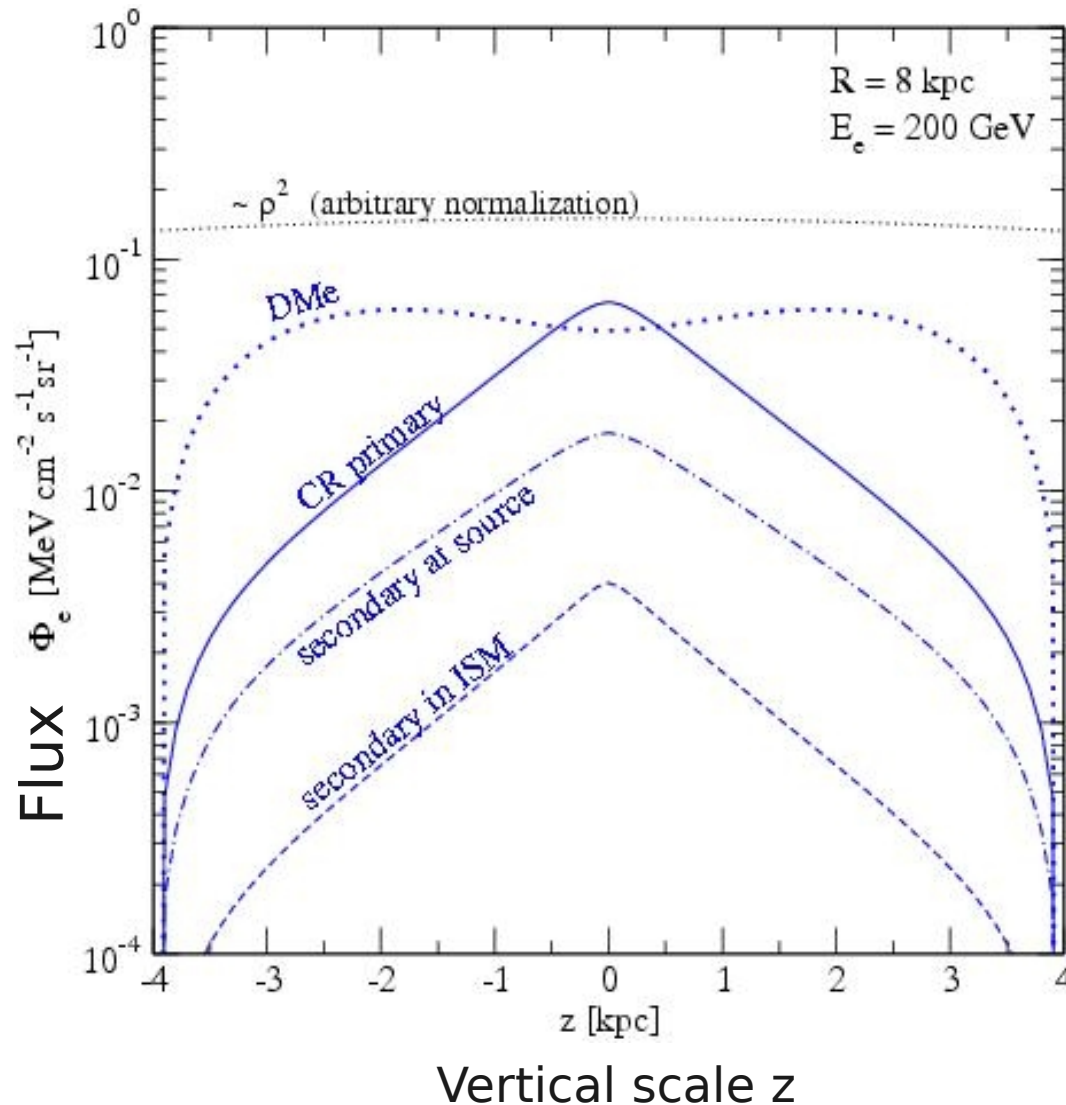


**Satisfactory fits** to the PAMELA+FERMI data for all the models, but **DMe**.

CR background for diffuse emission: fit to data with CR alone.

# $e^+e^-$ vertical profile /1

Vertical density profile at  $R=8$  kpc for the “**conventional**”  
**propagation model B0** at  $E=200$  GeV



CR primary/secondary sources confined to the Galactic disc, while DM induced source extending much further.

# Diffuse emission

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## GALACTIC DIFFUSE EMISSION

### Cosmic rays:

protons :  $\gamma$ -rays from  $\pi^0$  decay

$e^-/e^+$  : IC e bremsstrahlung emission in the  $\gamma$ - and X-ray bands  
synchrotron emission at radio frequencies

**confined to the disc** (analogous for astrophysical explanations of PAMELA)

### Dark matter:

$e^-/e^+$ : IC and synchrotron emission

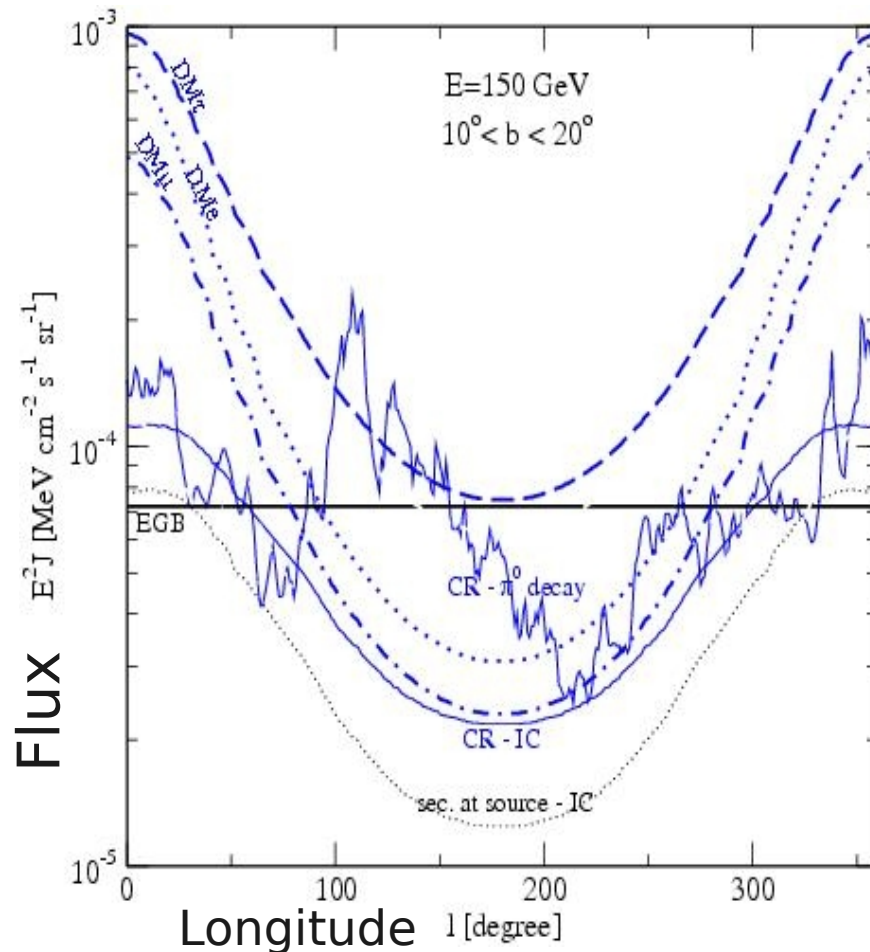
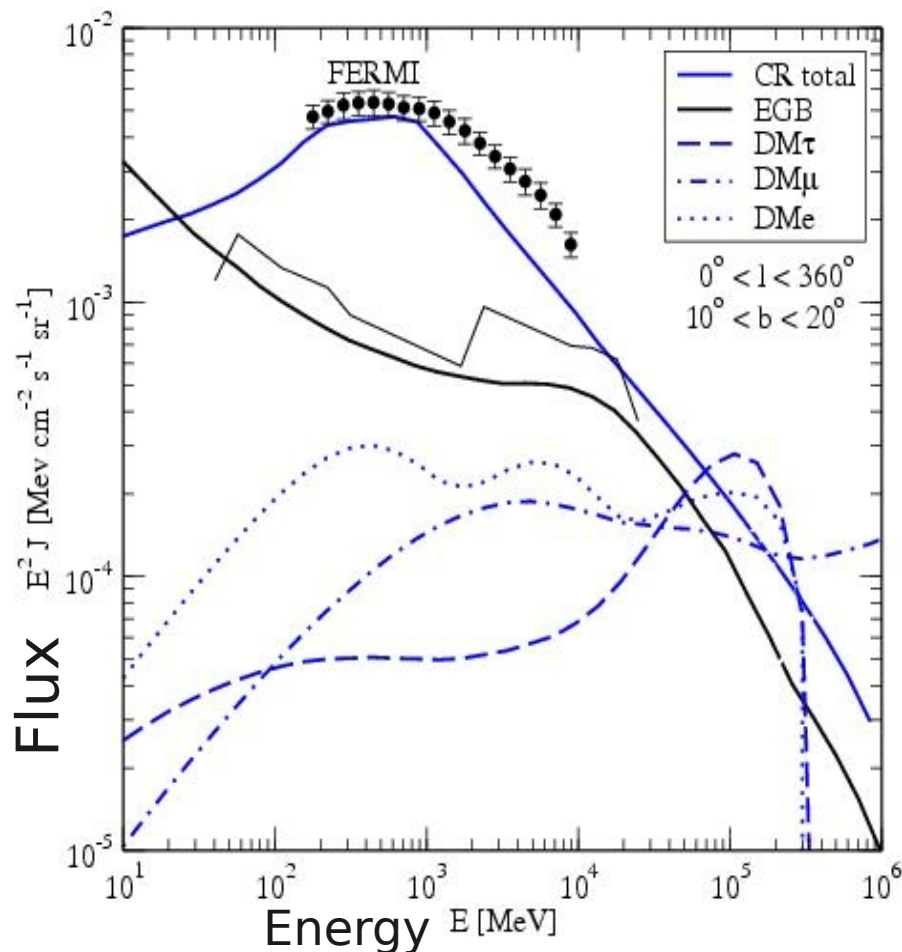
$\gamma$ -ray prompt emission :  $\pi^0$  decay ( $DM\tau$ ) and final state radiation ( $DMe$  and  $DM\mu$ )

**from an extended halo**

## EXTRAGALACTIC DIFFUSE EMISSION

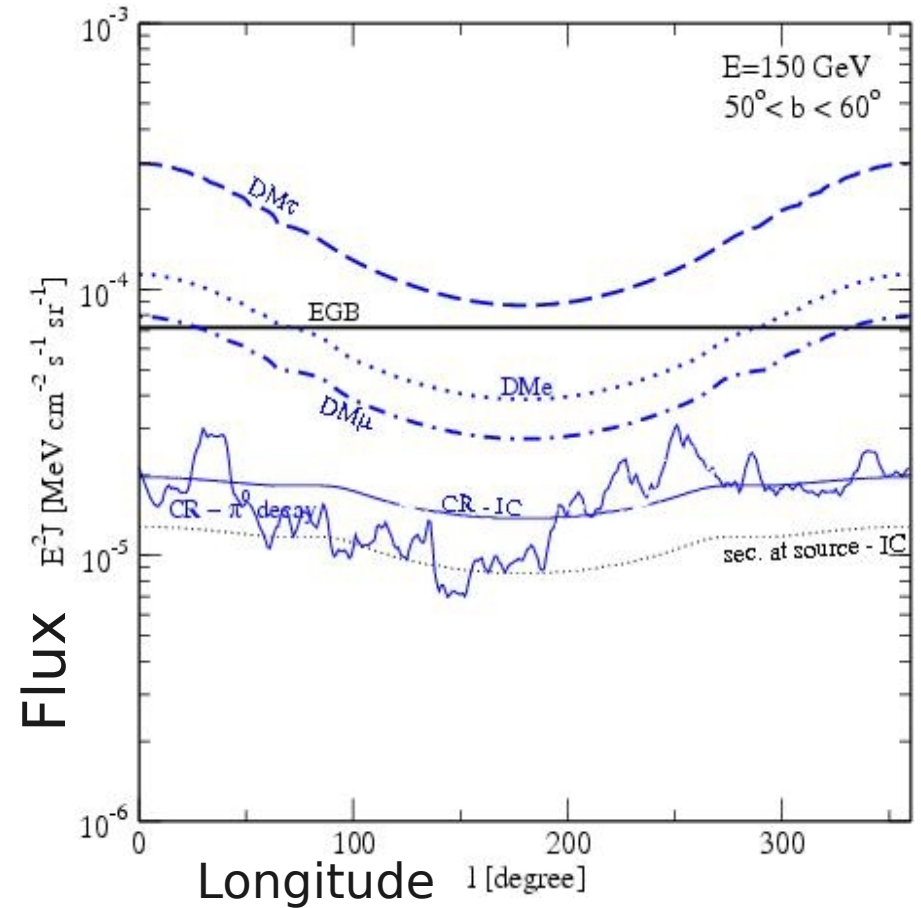
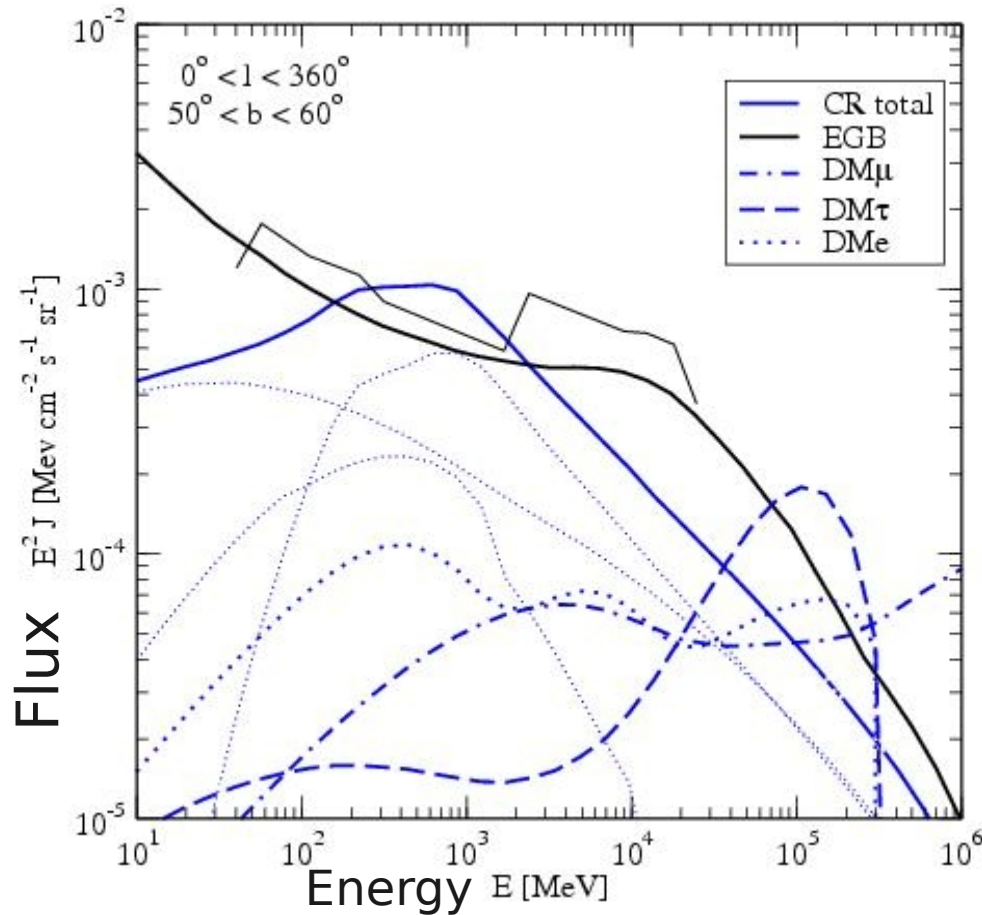
- Unresolved active galactic nuclei (**blazars**)
- Model for **absorption** at high energy
- Dominant component at **high latitudes**
- FERMI can significantly improve the analysis of the EGB

# gamma rays at intermediate latitudes



- **Good fit at  $E < 10 \text{ GeV}$  given by the CR component**
- **Excess at  $E > 100 \text{ GeV}$  for any of the DM benchmark models**
- DM induced component dominates over a large range of longitudes
- **Subdominant emission in the case of secondaries at the source**

# gamma rays at high latitudes



**Ratio DM vs Galactic CR signal is enhanced**

Extra Galactic background emission starts to become very important

# Benchmark models of propagation

We want to investigate how **different scalings along the z-direction** due to different propagation models can affect the predictions for the **DM signal to CR background ratio**.

## Benchmark models of propagation

	$z_h$ kpc	$D_0$ $10^{28} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$	$\alpha$	$v_a$ km/s	$\beta_{inj,nuc}$	$\beta_{inj,e}$	$dv_c/dz$ km/s kpc $^{-1}$	$\chi_{red}^2$ (d.f.=19)	color coding
B0	4	3.3	1/3	35	1.85/2.36	1.50/2.35	0	0.67	blue
B1	1	0.81	1/3	35	1.65/2.36	1.50/2.35	0	0.77	green
B2	10	6.1	1/3	35	1.85/2.36	1.50/2.35	0	0.74	red
B3	4	3.25	1/3	45	1.85/2.36	1.50/2.35	10	0.84	orange
B4	4	1.68	1/2	22	2.4/2.2	2.1/2.35	0	0.86	cyan
B5	10	$2.8 \cdot e^{ z /z_s}$	1/3	35	1.85/2.36	1.50/2.35	0	0.66	magenta

Conventional

Thin halo

Thick halo

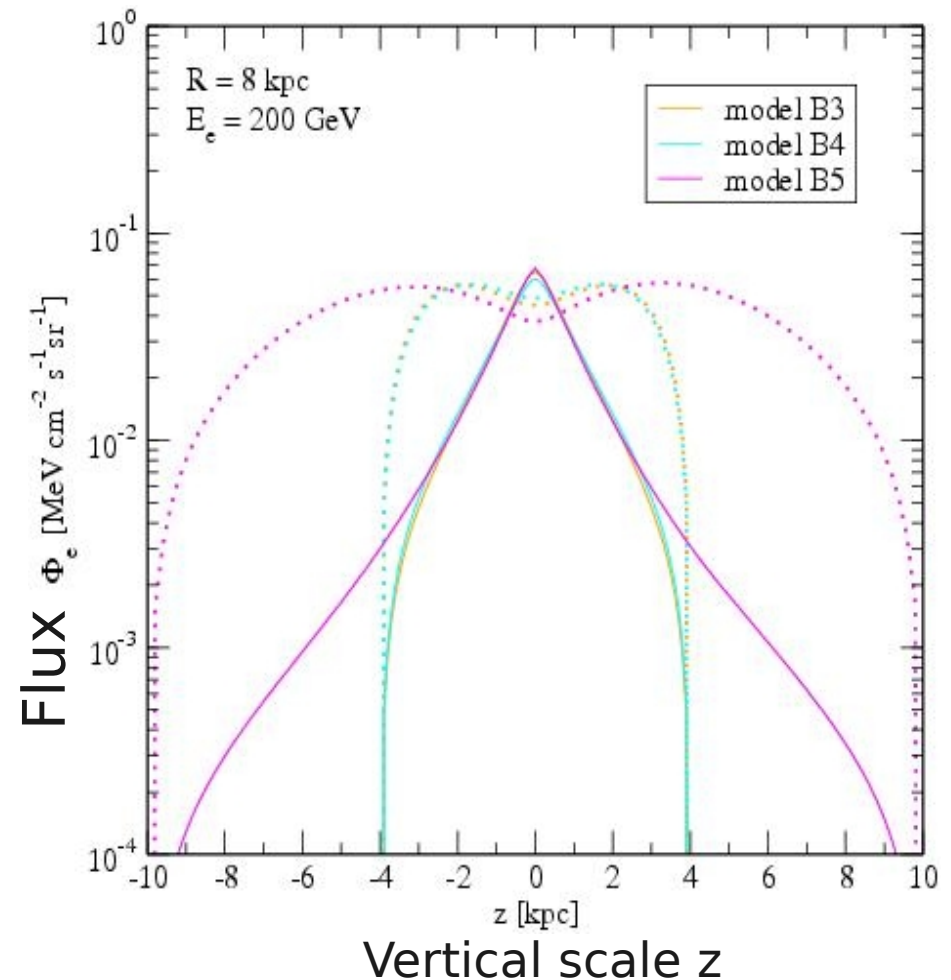
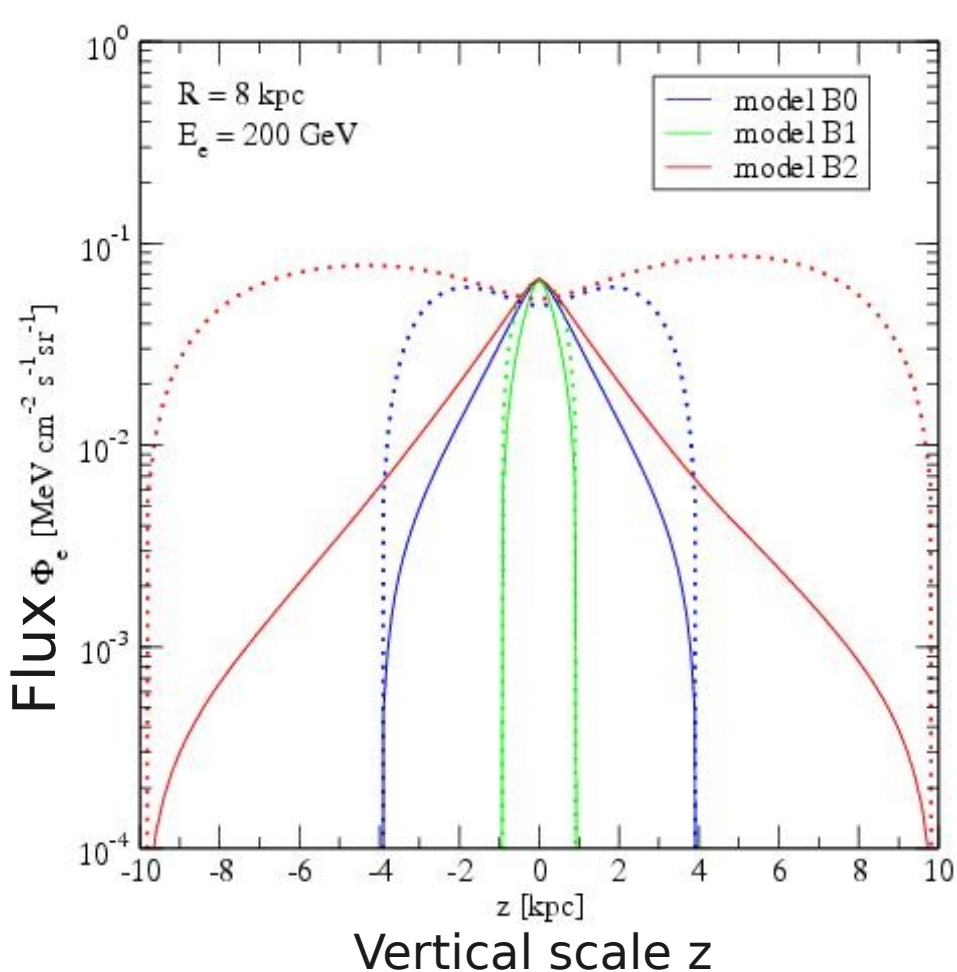
Wind

Kraichnan spectrum

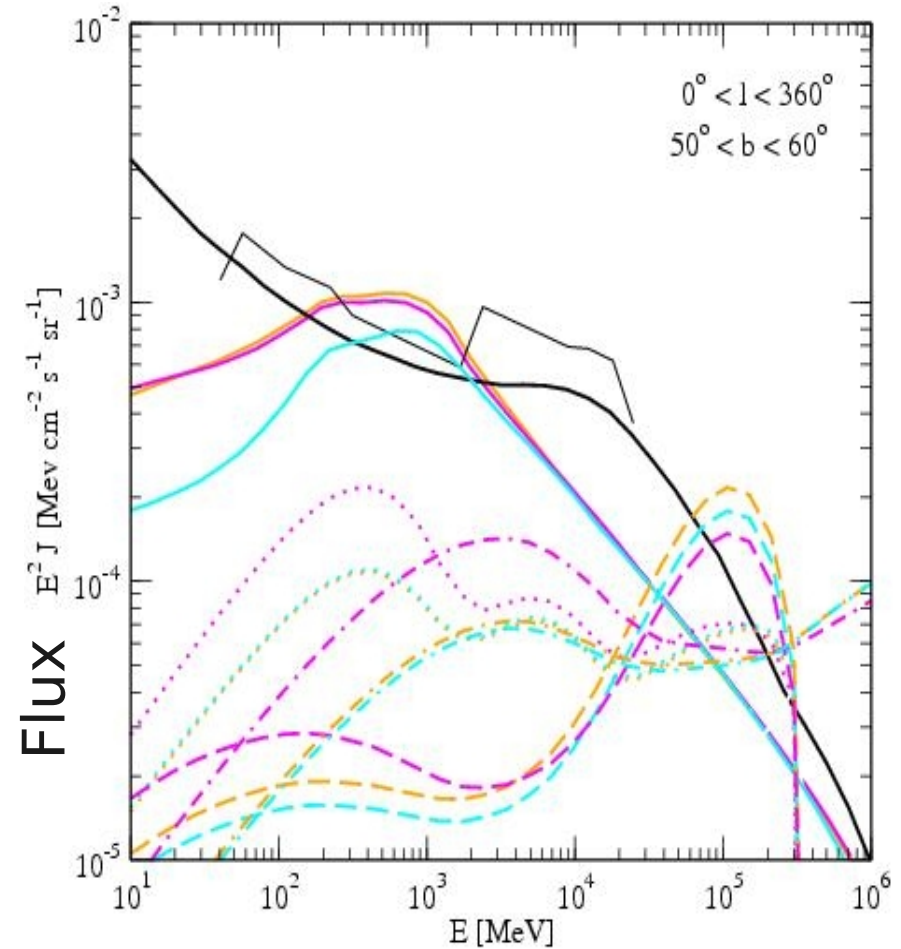
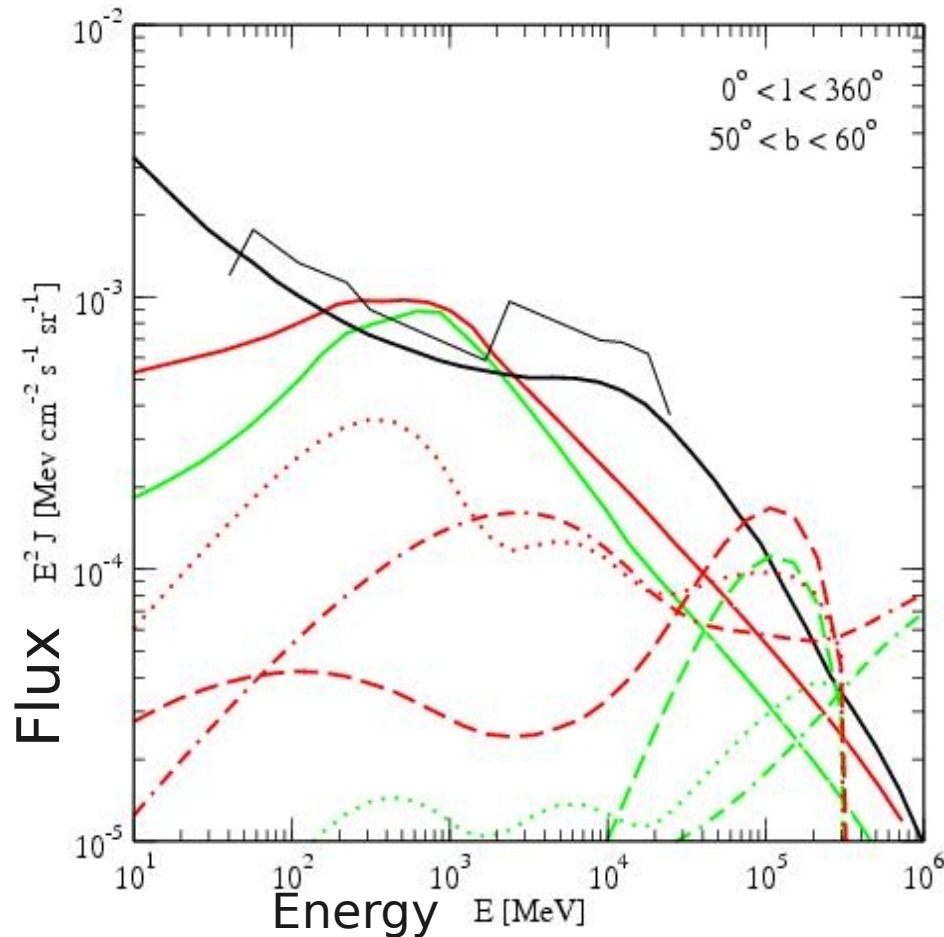
Spatially varying  $D_x$

# $e^+e^-$ vertical profile /2

**Similar picture** for all the benchmark propagation models, but the **model B1** which assumes a thin ( $z_h = 1$  kpc) disc of propagation



# gamma rays at high latitudes / 2



**For any benchmark model of propagation,  
the excess at  $E > 100$  GeV is present.**

The case of the model with thin halo is less favorable than B0 if the bulk of the emission is due to IC (DMe and DM $\mu$ ), while with thick halo is more favorable.

# Discussion on assumptions for DM /1

## Spatial distribution

- **DM PROFILE**

Prediction quite **insensitive** to the halo model since it is well away from the GC

- **DARK DISC**

Analysis affected only if density dark disc > density dark halo (**unlikely**)

- **EXTRAGALACTIC DM CONTRIBUTION**

Uncertain and (being conservative) **subdominant** w.r.t. AGN contribution

- **DM SUBSTRUCTURES**

Large **uncertainties**. Prediction strengthened if distribution anti-biased w.r.t. halo.

# Discussion on assumptions for DM /2

## Spectrum

- prediction **insensitive** to whether it is related to **decaying** or **annihilating** DM
- $M_\chi \sim \text{TeV}$  : **detectable IC** emission
- $M_\chi \sim \text{few hundreds of GeV}$  and hard spectrum : **detectable IC** emission
- $M_\chi \sim \text{few hundreds of GeV}$  and  $\tau^+\tau^-$  final state : **detectable  $\pi^0$ -decay** emission
- $M_\chi \sim \text{few hundreds of GeV}$  and “soft” spectrum and no  $\tau$ 's : **hardly detectable**

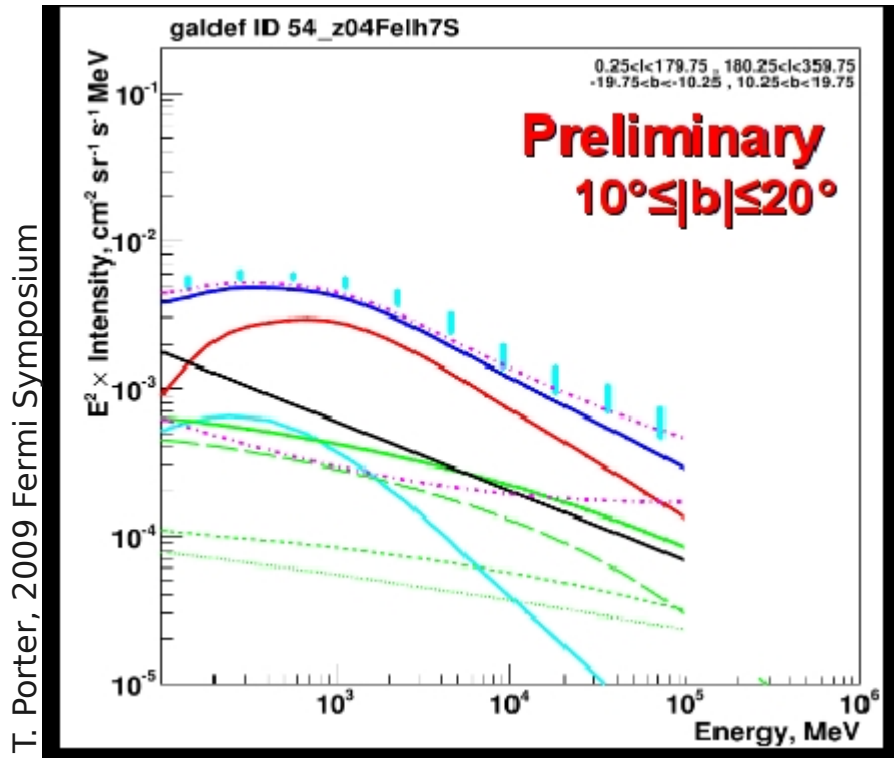


if FERMI data on the diffuse emission shows **no excess**, the **DM** interpretation of the PAMELA excess is **strongly constrained**

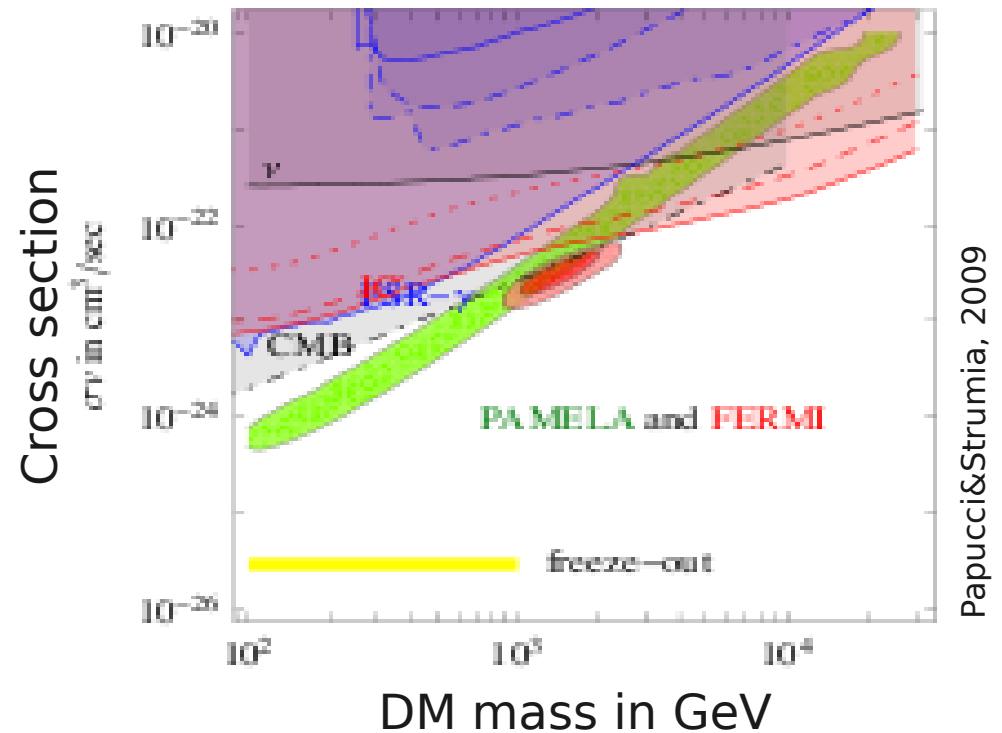
# Current data

## FERMI DATA

for DIFFUSE gamma-ray background



DM DM  $\rightarrow \mu^+ \mu^-$ , isothermal profile



To completely test DM interpretation of PAMELA positron fraction with FERMI,  
we need **cleaning from systematics** and **more statistics**  
at high energies ( $E_\gamma \sim 100 \text{ GeV}$ )

# Conclusions

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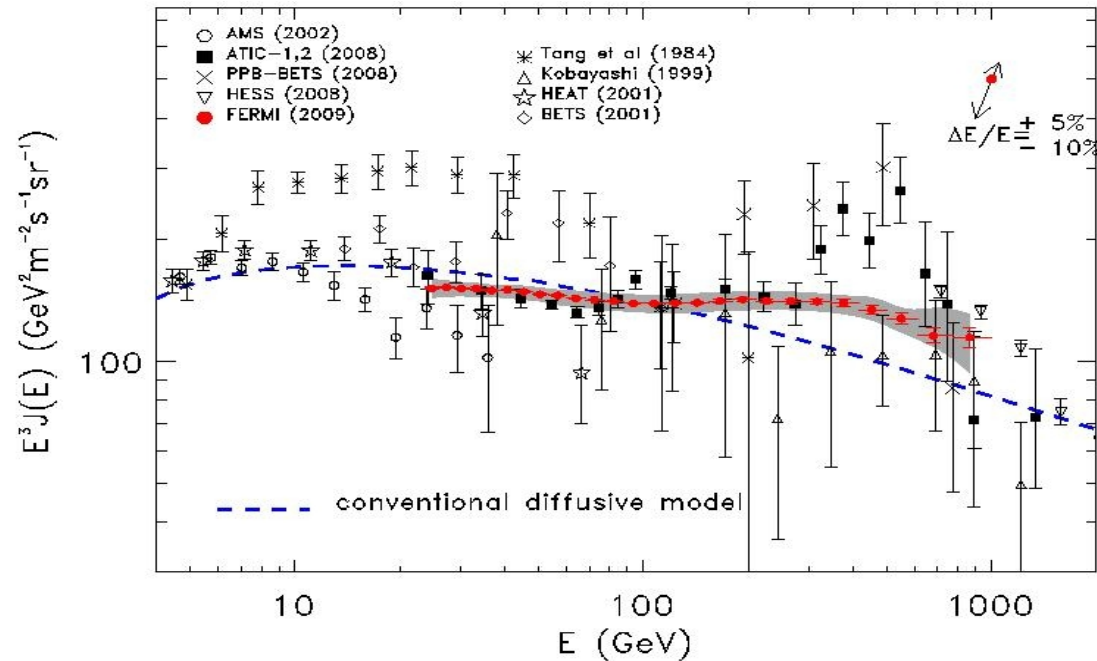
- **CR** sources (and astrophysical sources of positrons) are confined to the **Galactic disc**, while the **DM** component has a **spherical distribution**.
- The ratio of **DM signal vs CR background** in the diffuse emission is **enhanced at mid-high latitudes**
- Extrapolation of **propagation** parameters and **DM profile** is rather robust in the **nearby region**
- **DM models**, tuned to explain the positron excess, typically lead to a **detectable diffuse emission at  $E > 100$  GeV and mid-high latitudes.**

**FERMI data on diffuse emission at such energies and latitudes to be released in the next few months**

# Positron Source / WIMP induced $e^+e^-$

## FERMI+PAMELA data:

$M_\chi < 1 \text{ TeV}$  : needs softer  $e^+e^-$   
 $M_\chi > 1 \text{ TeV}$  : somehow favored



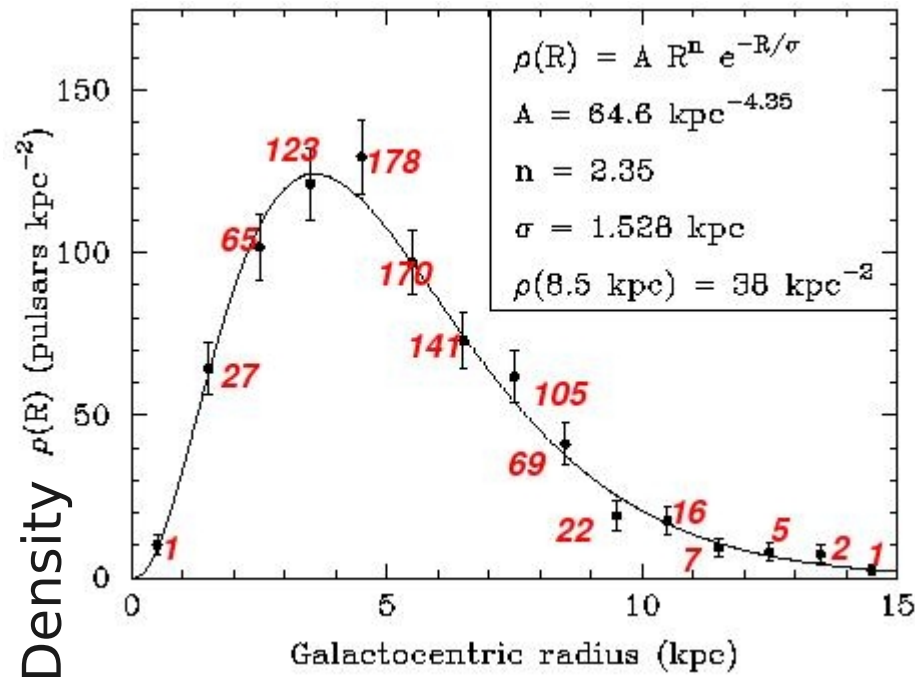
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# Source / Cosmic ray

## PRIMARY SPECIES:

Strong indications that shock acceleration in SNRs is the source for energetic CR (with spectrum  $\sim E^{-\beta}$ , and  $\beta \sim 2$ )

SPATIAL DISTRIBUTION traced by pulsars (Lorimer, 2004)



## INJECTION SPECTRUM

We assume a broken power-law.

**Spectral index** suggested by  
Local spectra at high energy  
Diffuse emission at low energy

**Normalized a posteriori** to the  
measured flux at Sun position

## SECONDARY SPECIES:

Produced by collisions of primary CRs with the gas (Strong&Moskalenko, '98).

# Positron Source / astrophysical

## **PULSAR:**

Rotating neutron stars with a strong surface magnetic field

$$Q = Q_0 E^{-\beta} \exp(-E/E_c) \delta(\mathbf{x}) \delta(t-\tau) \quad , \quad \beta \sim 1-2, \quad E_c \sim 1-100 \text{ TeV}$$

## **POSITRONS IN THE SOURCE:**

(Blasi, '09)

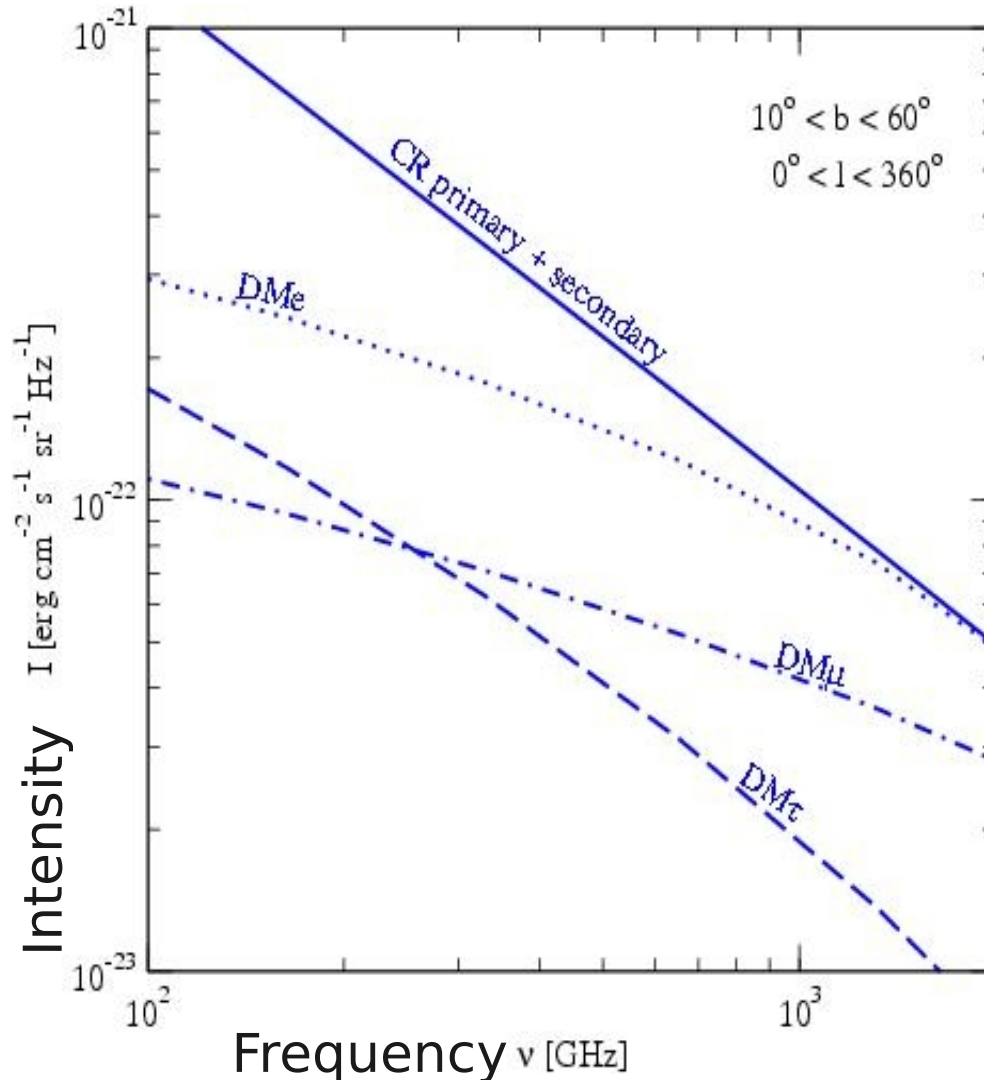
Secondary positrons produced in the shock region of SN remnants

Spatial distribution analogous to primary CR

$$Q = Q_0 E^{-\beta} \exp(-E/E_c) \quad , \quad \beta \sim \beta_{\text{pr}} - \alpha, \quad E_c \sim 1-10 \text{ TeV}$$

(In the following,  $\beta = 1.36$ ,  $E_c = 1 \text{ TeV}$ )

# Synchrotron emission



Less promising than  $\gamma$ -ray emission, but, in some cases, the picture can be tested by the **Planck mission** ( $\nu_{\text{max}} = 850 \text{ GHz}$ )

Caveat: foreground disentanglement

**X-ray frequencies** are even less promising since they rely on “low-energy” electrons and positrons

# Transport equation / 2

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**Spatial diffusion:**  $D_{xx} = \beta D_0 (R/1 \text{ GV})^\alpha$

(for the Galaxy,  $\alpha=0.3 - 0.6$ ,  $D_0 \sim 10^{28} \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$ )

**Diffusive reacceleration:**  $D_{pp} = v_a^2 p^2 / (9 D_{xx})$ ,  $v_a = \text{Alfven velocity}$

**Convection:**  $v_c = (dv_c/dz) z$ ,  $dv_c/dz < 10 \text{ km/s kpc}^{-1}$

Energy losses:

**Magnetic field:**  $B(R,z) = B_0 e^{-(R-R_{sun})/50 \text{ kpc}} e^{-|z|/3 \text{ kpc}}$ ,  $B_0 = 6 \mu\text{G}$

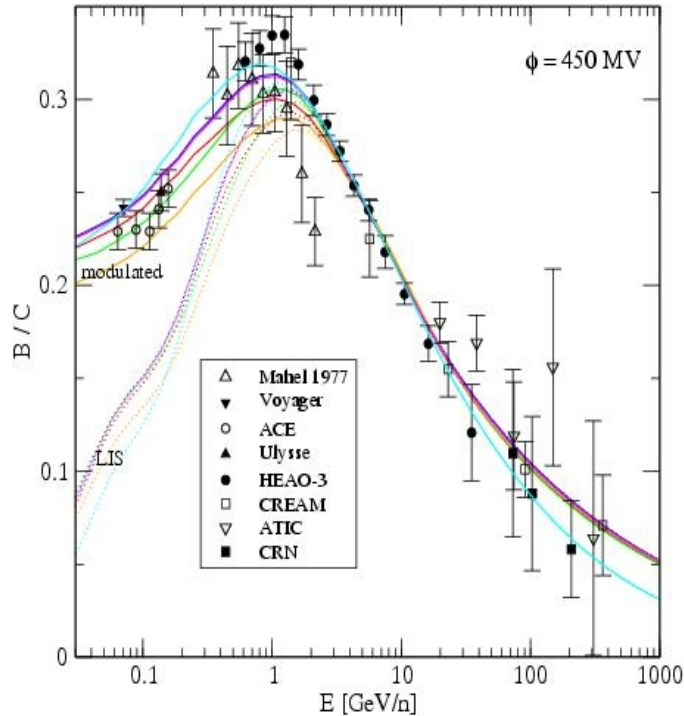
(Polarimetry, Zeeman splitting, Faraday rotation, Synchrotron emission studies)

**GAS:** HI and CO surveys

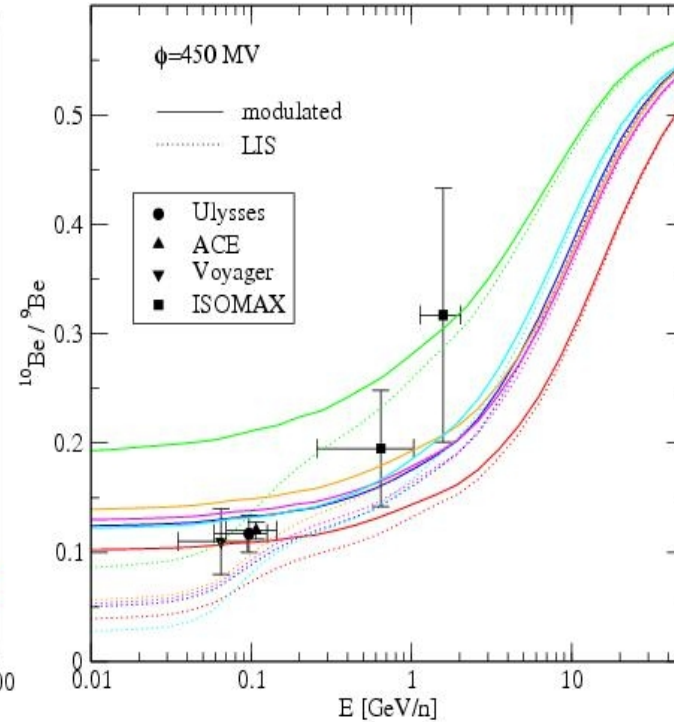
**ISRF:** COBE/DIRBE/FIRAS surveys

# Benchmark models of propagation/ nuclei

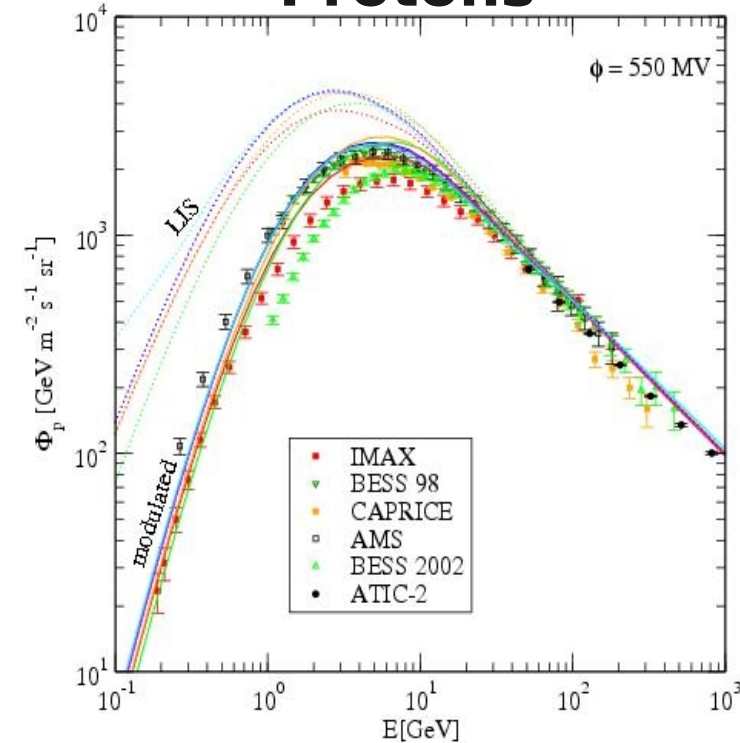
## B/C



## $^{10}\text{Be}/^9\text{Be}$



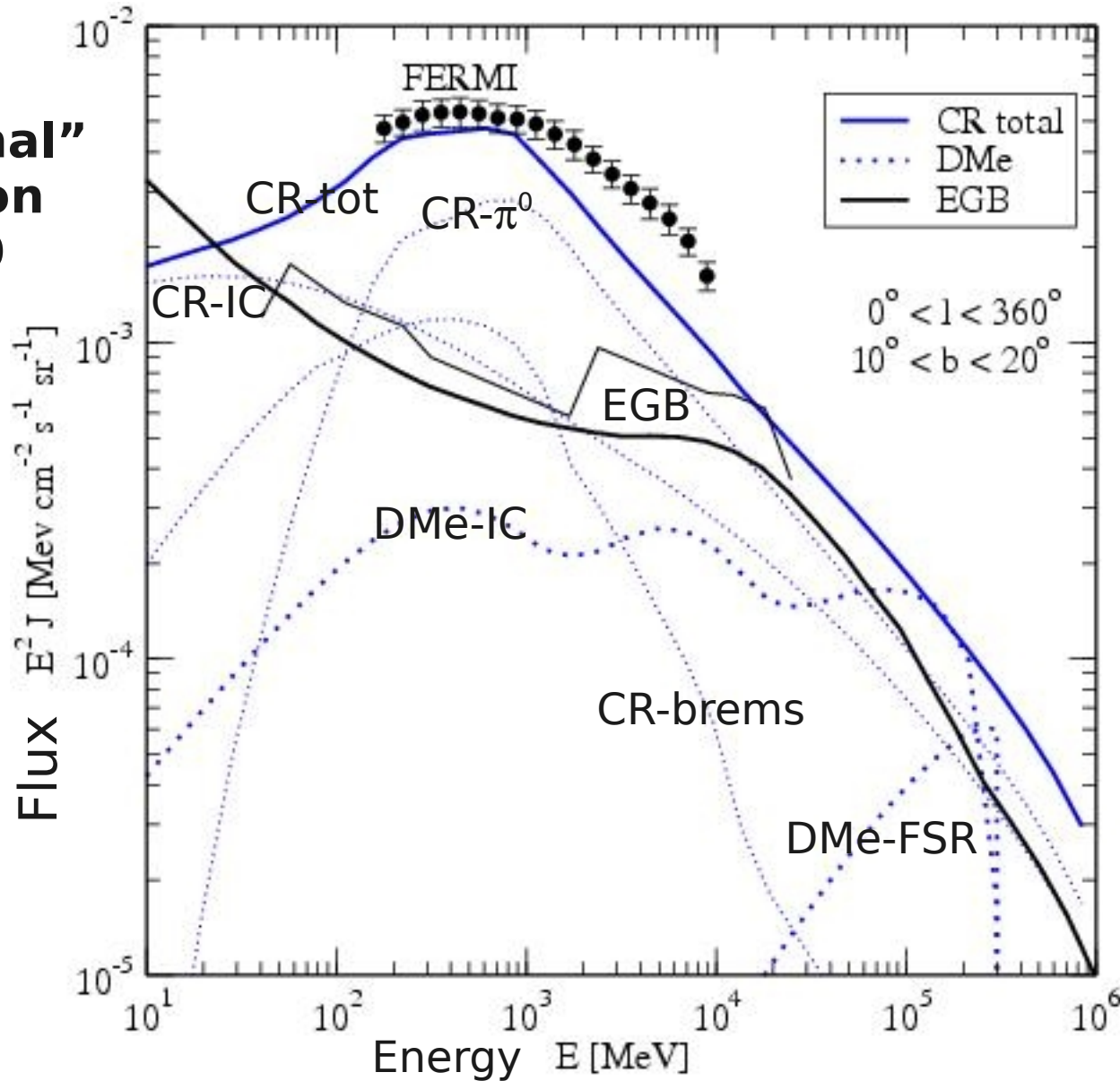
## Protons



**All the models are satisfactory in fitting the CR nuclei data.**

# gamma rays at intermediate latitudes

**“Conventional”  
propagation  
model B0**



# WIMP induced signal

$$j_\gamma(E, r) = Q_\gamma(E, r) E \quad \gamma\text{-rays emissivity}$$

$$j_i(\nu, r) = 2 \int_{m_e}^{M_\chi} dE P_i(r, E, \nu) n_e(r, E) \quad \text{emissivity for a radiative process } i$$

**Intensity measured by a detector**

$$S_i(\nu, \theta, \theta_d) = \int d\Omega' \exp\left(-\frac{\tan^2 \theta'}{2 \tan^2 \theta_d}\right) \int_{l.o.s.} dI_i(\nu, s, \tilde{\theta})$$

$$\frac{dI_i(\nu, s, \tilde{\theta})}{ds} = -\alpha(\nu, s, \tilde{\theta}) I_i(\nu, s, \tilde{\theta}) + \frac{j_i(\nu, s, \tilde{\theta})}{4\pi}$$