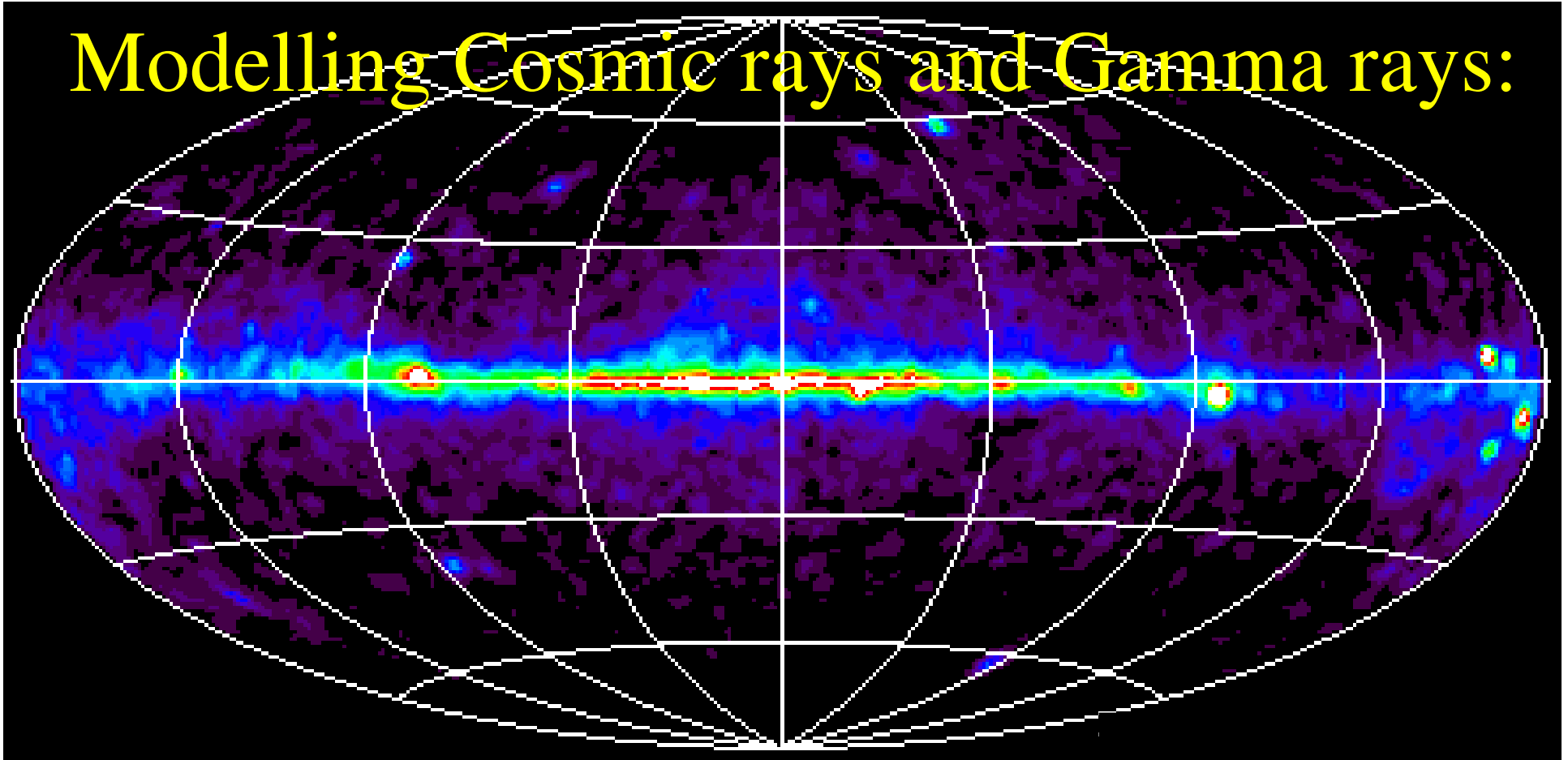


# Modelling Cosmic rays and Gamma rays:



*A. Strong*

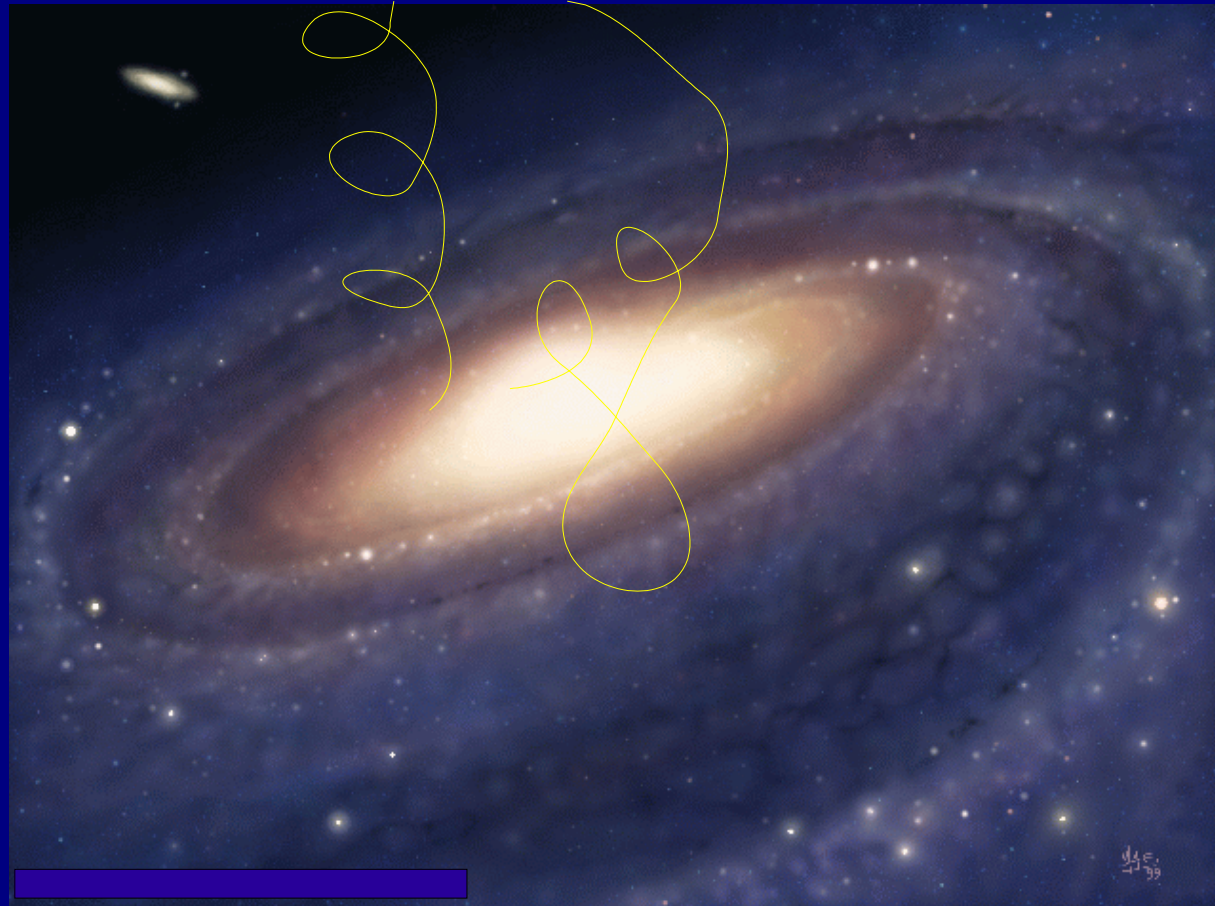
Copenhagen, September 2004

Work done with

Igor Moskalenko (NASA Goddard)

Olaf Reimer (Bochum)

Seth Digel (Stanford)



intergalactic space

HALO

reacceleration

energy loss

decay

Secondary:  $^{10}\text{Be}$ ,  $^{11}\text{B}$  ...

synchrotron

Secondary:  $e^+$   $\bar{p}$

$B$

cosmic-ray sources:  $p$ ,  $\text{He}$  ..  $\text{Ni}$ ,  $e^-$

$\pi^0$

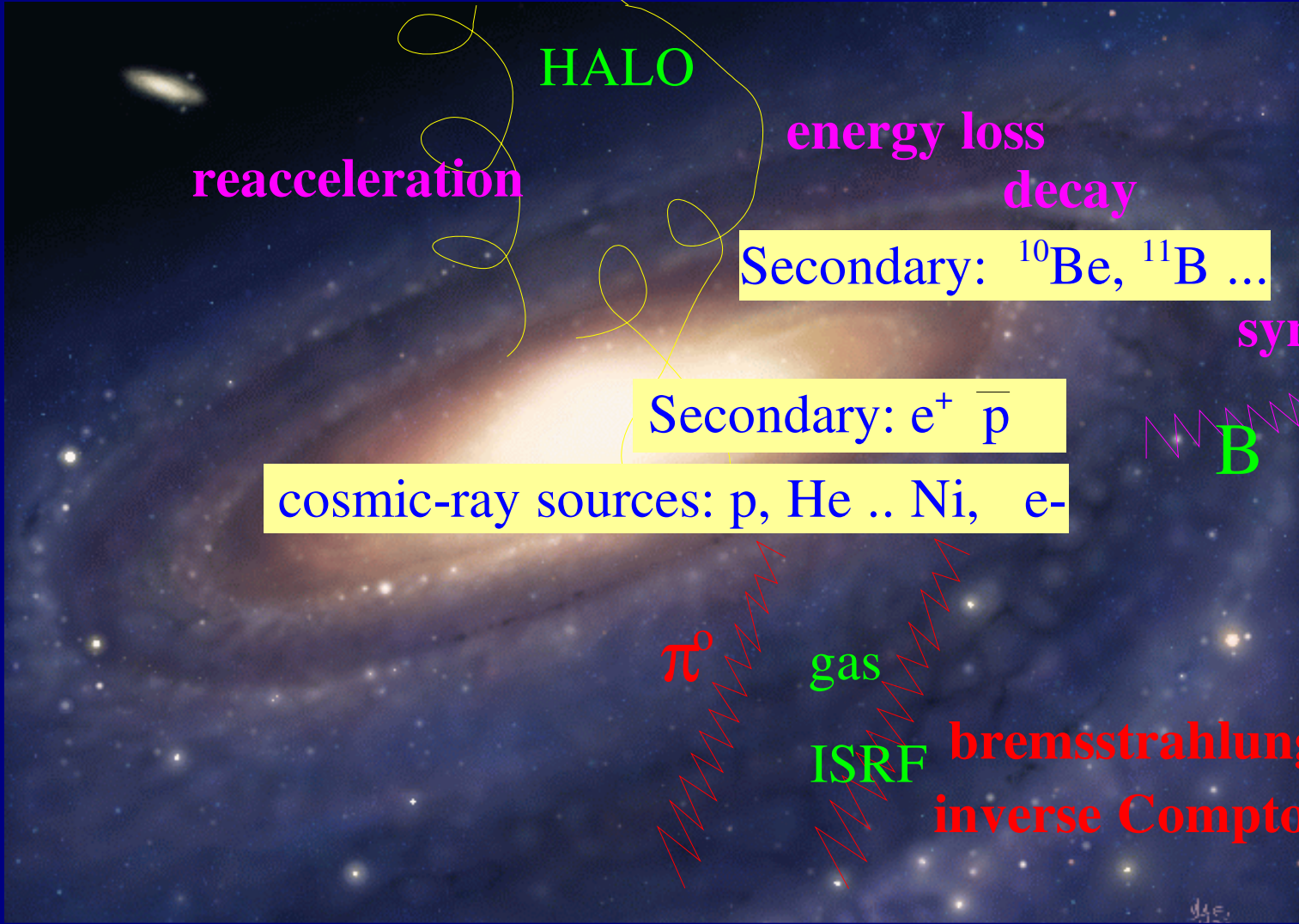
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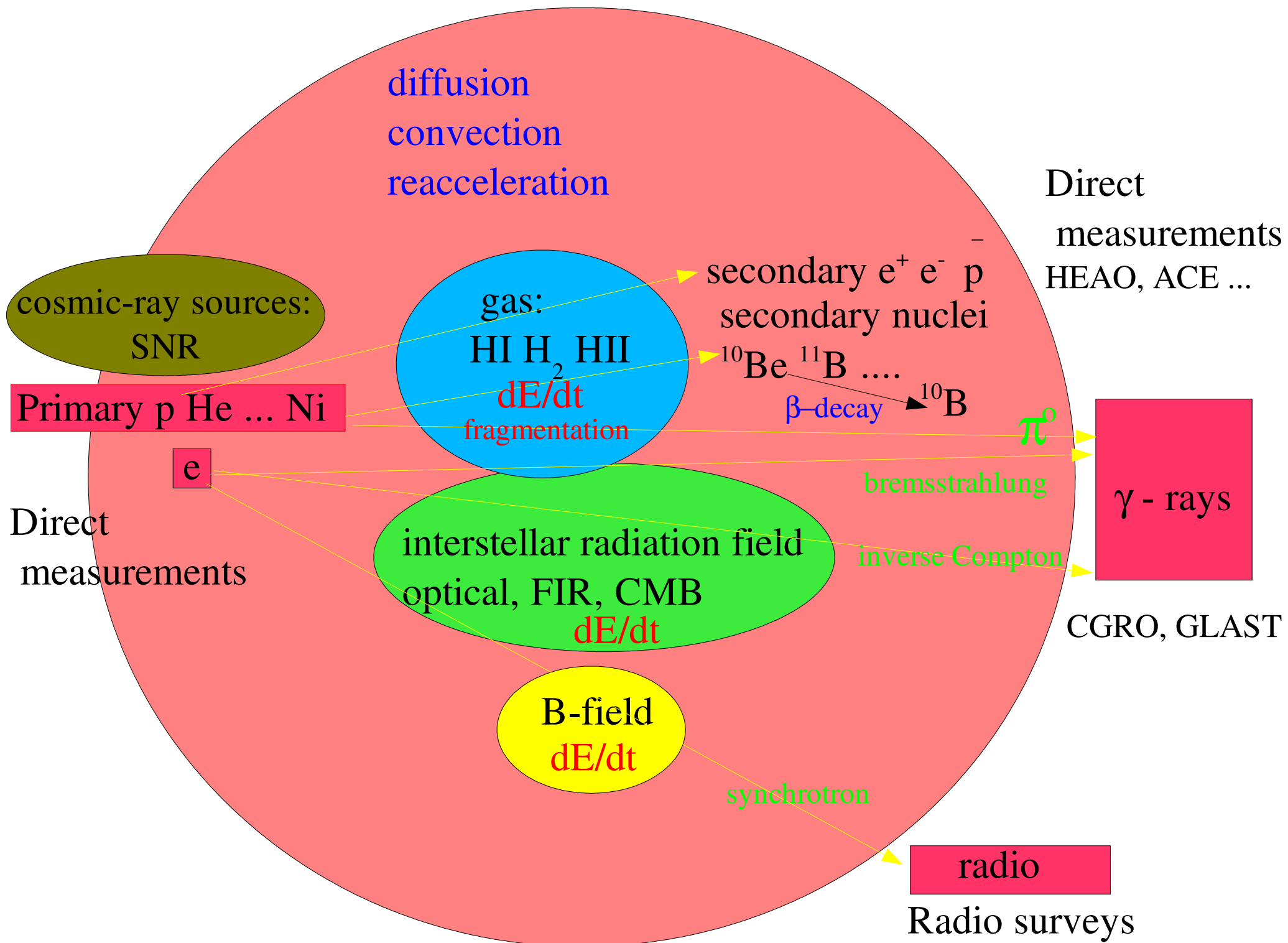
ISRF

bremsstrahlung

inverse Compton

$\gamma$ -rays





The **goal** : use *all* types of data in self-consistent way to test models of cosmic-ray propagation.

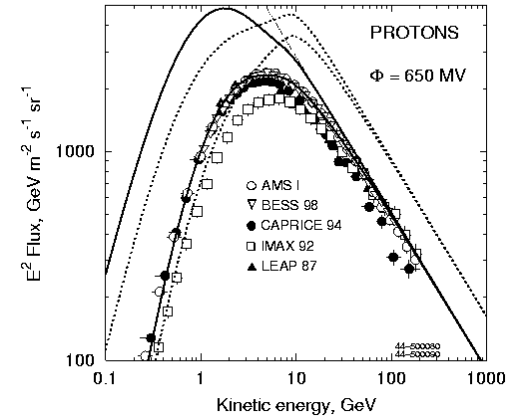
Observed *near sun*:

primary spectra (p, He ... Fe;  $e^-$ )

secondary/primary (B/C etc)

secondary  $e^+$

secondary antiprotons

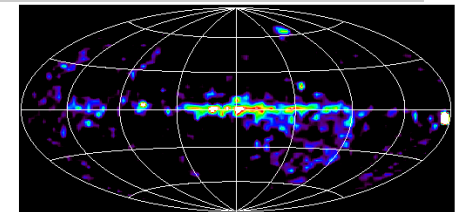
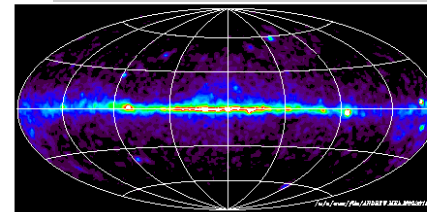


Observed *from whole Galaxy*:

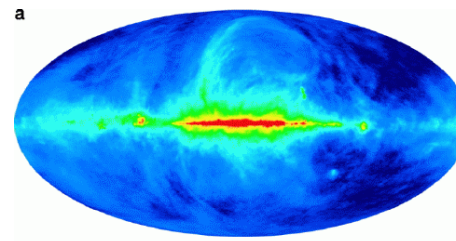
$\gamma$  - rays

EGRET

COMPTEL



synchrotron





# Cosmic-ray propagation

$$\frac{\partial \psi(\underline{r}, p)}{\partial t} = q(\underline{r}, p) \quad \text{cosmic-ray sources (primary and secondary)}$$

$$+ \nabla \cdot (D_{xx} \nabla \psi - \mathbf{v} \psi)$$

diffusion    convection

$$+ \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \left[ p^2 D_{pp} \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial p} \right]$$

$$D_{pp} \sim p^2 \quad D_{xx} \sim v_A^2$$

diffusive reacceleration (diffusion in p)

$$- \frac{\partial}{\partial p} \left[ \frac{dp}{dt} \psi \right] - \frac{p}{3} (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}) \psi$$

momentum loss

adiabatic momentum loss

ionization, bremsstrahlung

$$- \psi / \tau_f \quad \text{nuclear fragmentation}$$

$$- \psi / \tau_r \quad \text{radioactive decay}$$

# *galprop*

numerical solution of cosmic-ray transport

2D or 3D grid

time-independent or time-dependent

primary source functions (p, He, C ... Ni)  
source abundances, spectra  
primary propagation

secondary source functions (Be, B...,  $e^+ e^- p$ )  
using primaries and gas distributions  
secondary propagation

tertiary source functions  
tertiary propagation

$\gamma$ - rays (inverse Compton,  $\pi^0$  - decay, bremsstrahlung)  
radio: synchrotron



# *galprop*

3D gas model based on HI, CO surveys

cosmic-ray sources  $f(\underline{r}, p)$

interstellar radiation field  $f(\underline{r}, \nu)$

nuclear cross-sections database

energy-loss processes

B-field model

solar modulation

$\gamma$ -ray processes

*galprop* code: publicly available since 1998, many users

continuous development

Strong & Moskalenko ApJ 1998, 2000, 2004

Standard propagation model:

halo: sharp boundary, free escape.

diffusion: Kolmogorov  $D_{xx}(p) \sim \beta p^{1/3}$

diffusive reacceleration:  $v_A \sim 30 \text{ km s}^{-1}$

no convection

This can give secondary/primary energy-dependence (GeV peak)  
*without ad-hoc break* in  $D_{xx}(p)$  .

(cf traditional procedure :  $D_{xx}(p) = \text{const}$  below 3 GeV,  $p^{0.6}$  above 3 GeV

Radioactive  $^{10}\text{Be}$  ( $\tau = 10^6 \text{ yr}$ ) sets limits on halo size and convection

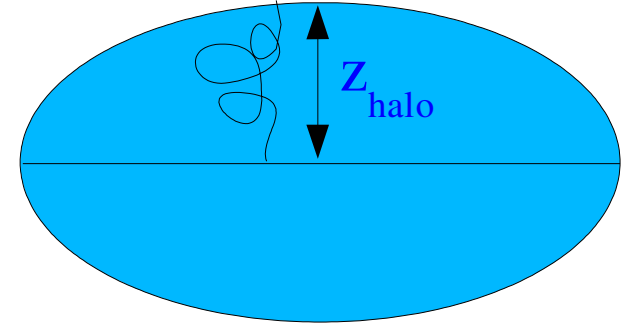
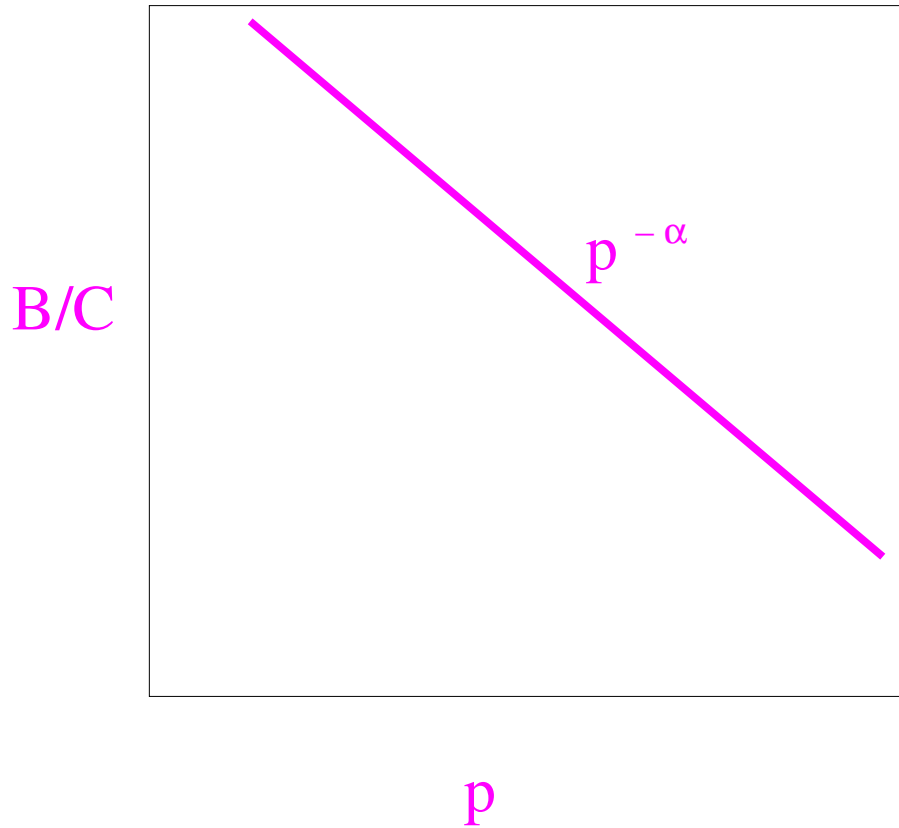
Strong & Moskalenko 1998:

Halo height = 4 kpc

convection velocity  $< 7 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ kpc}^{-1}$

NB needs more work since convection expected from Galactic wind!

Reference secondary/primary ratio: B/C ( $^{10+11}\text{B}/^{12+13}\text{C}$ )



simple diffusion :

$$\beta = v/c$$

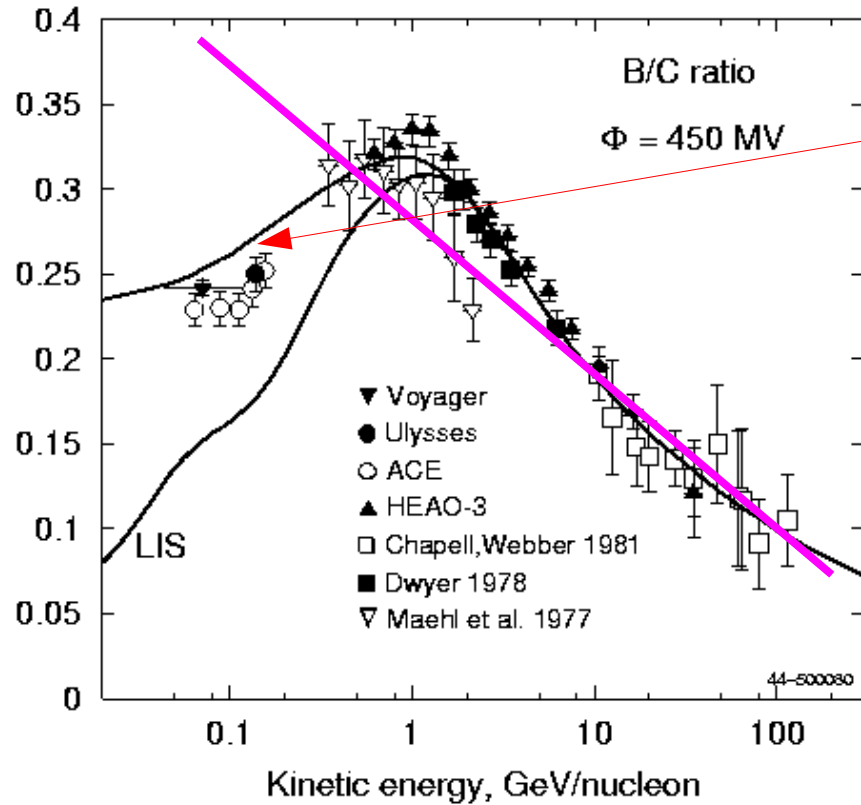
$$D_{xx} \sim \beta p^{\alpha}$$

$$z_{\text{halo}} \sim (D_{xx} t)^{1/2}$$

$$t \sim z_{\text{halo}}^2 / D_{xx}$$

$$B/C \sim \beta \sigma n t \sim \beta / D_{xx} \sim p^{-\alpha}$$

## Reference secondary/primary ratio: B/C

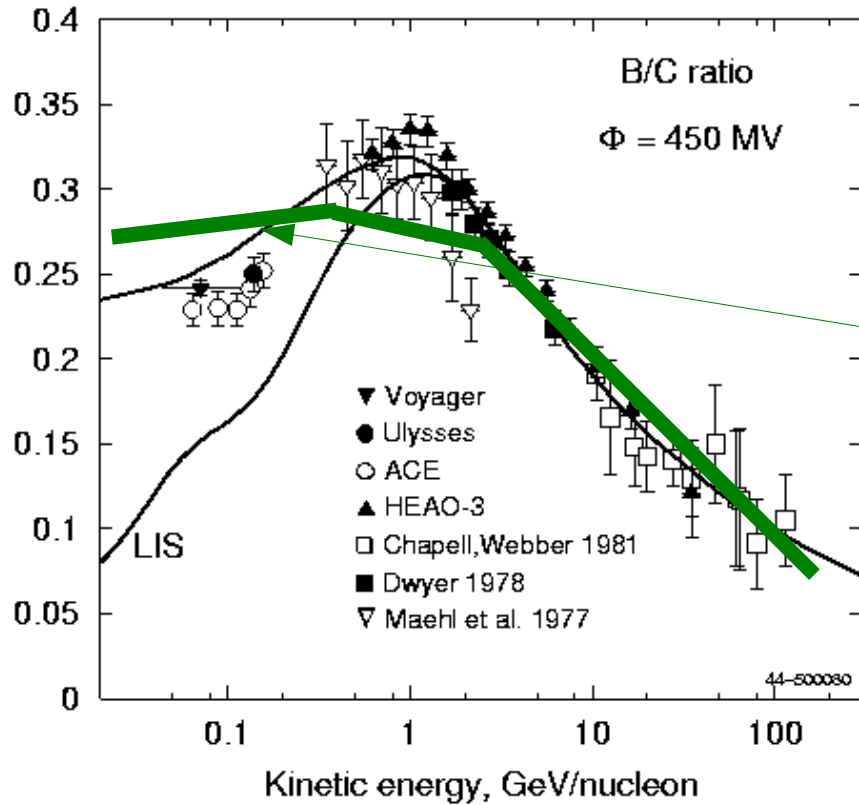


*But observe fall-off at low energy peak in B/C*

*for  $D \sim \beta p^{0.6}$   
(required to fit high energies)*

*$B/C \sim \beta / D \sim p^{-0.6}$*

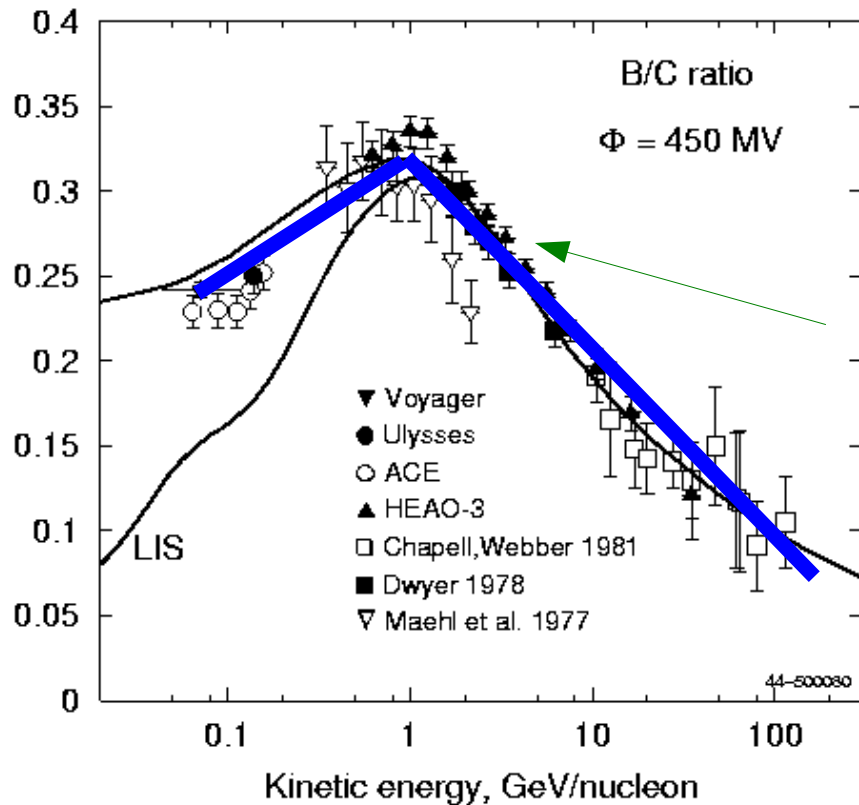
## Reference secondary/primary ratio: B/C



Convection : constant time to reach halo and escape:  $B/C \sim \beta$

Falloff too slow, no peak

## Reference secondary/primary ratio: B/C



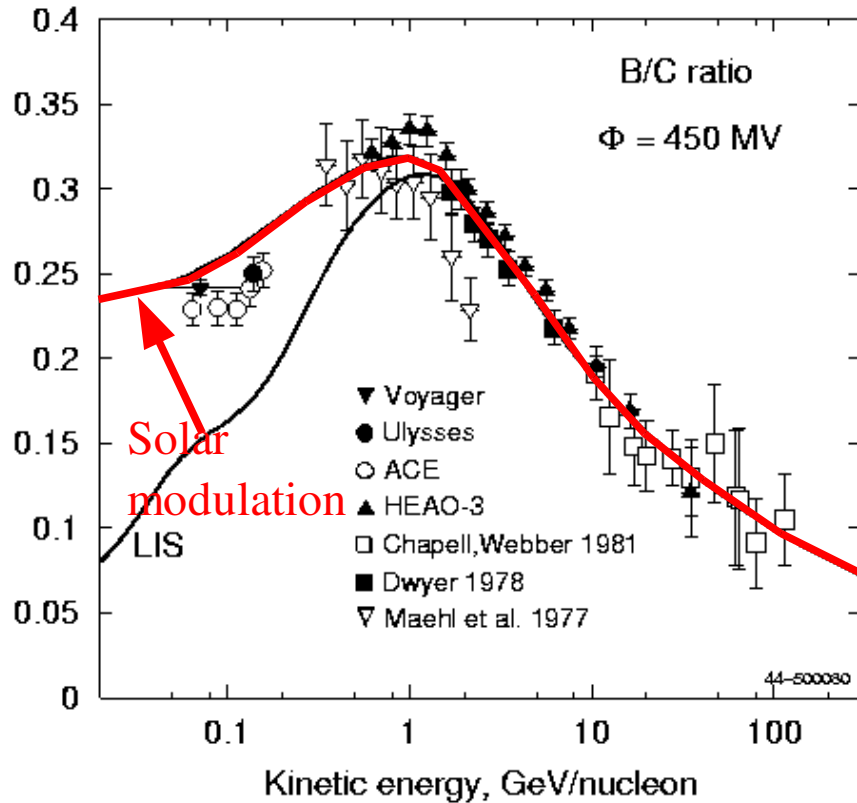
Conventional approach  
ad-hoc break in  $D_{xx}(p)$

Can reproduce data but  
no physical origin

Used in 'elaky-box' models

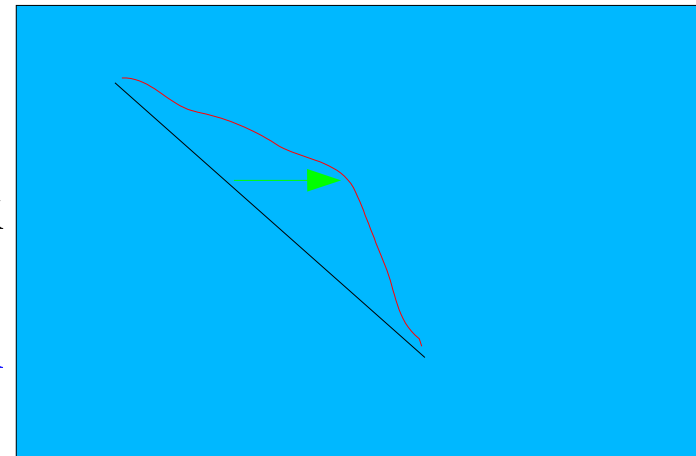


## Reference secondary/primary ratio: B/C



Peak in B/C  
explained by diffusive reacceleration  
with Kolmogorov  $D \sim \beta p^{1/3}$   
+ avoids large cosmic-ray anisotropy  
at high energies.

flux

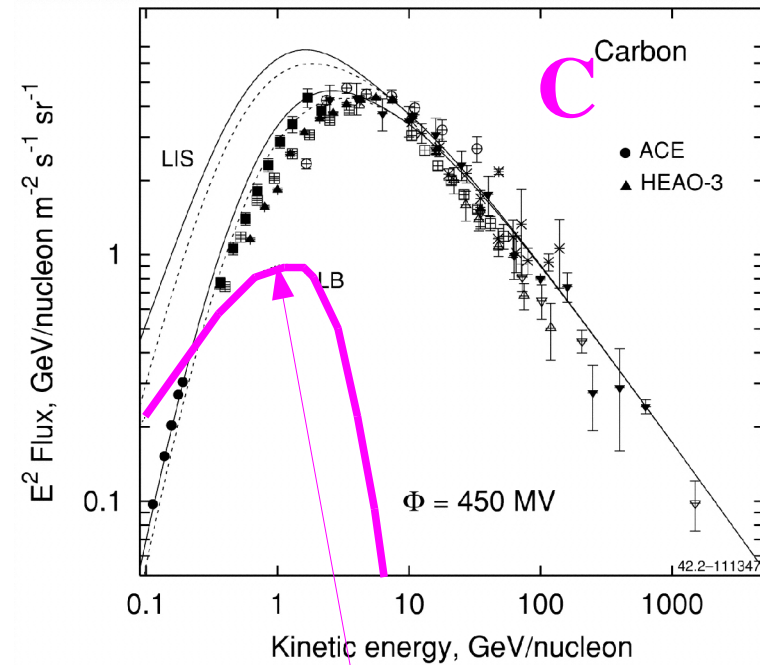
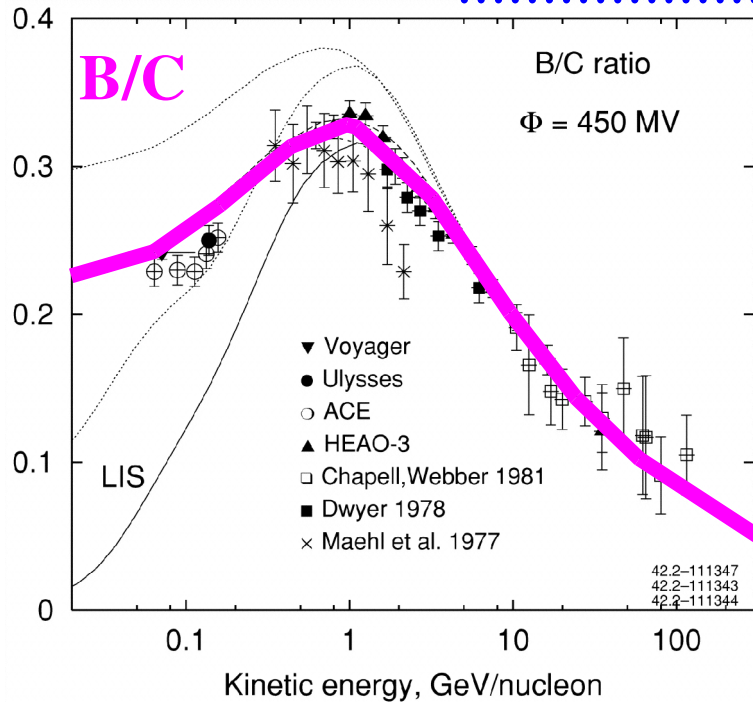


Energy-dependent diffusive reacceleration  
produces bump in particle spectrum

E

# Reference secondary/primary ratio: B/C

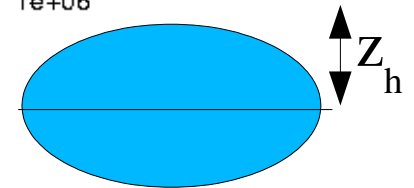
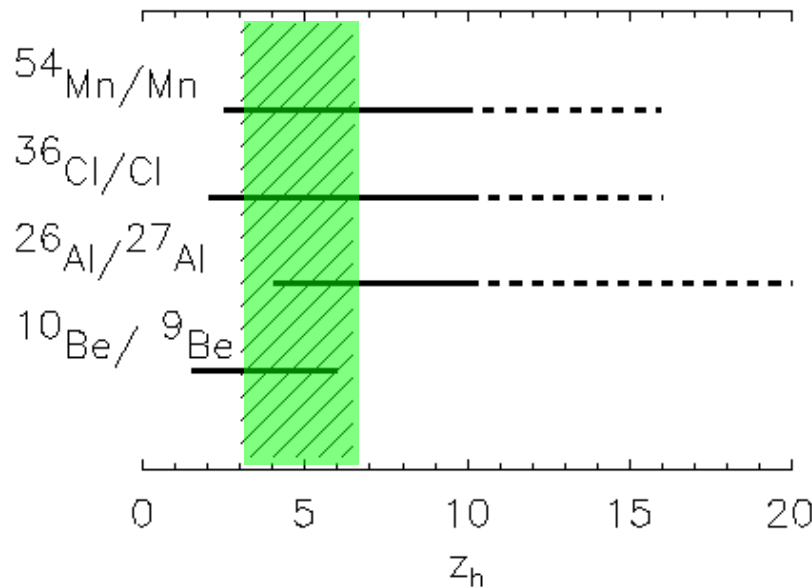
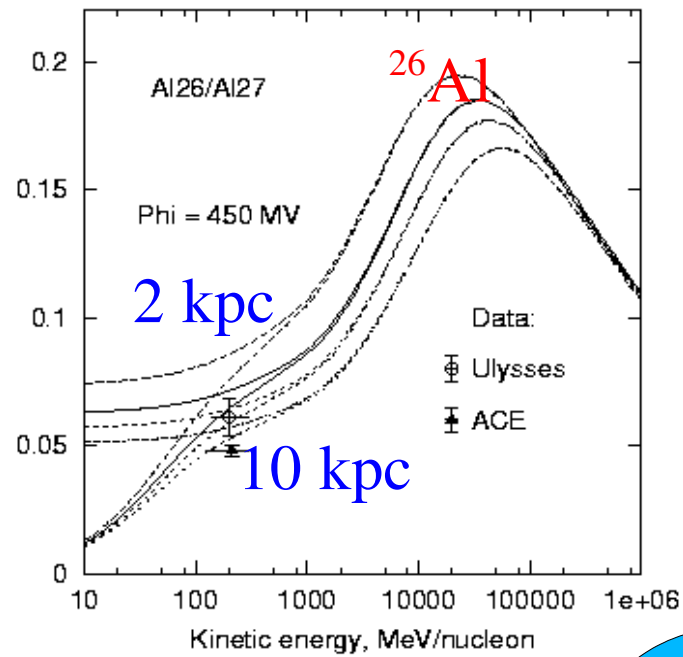
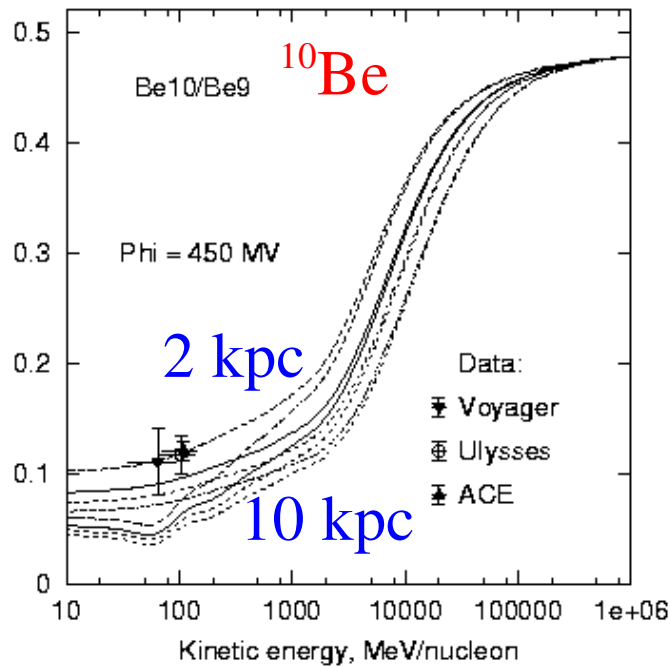
..... another explanation



Peak in B/C can also be due to a LOCAL SOURCE of cosmic-ray primaries with steep spectrum, good candidate: LOCAL BUBBLE

(Moskalenko et al. 2003)

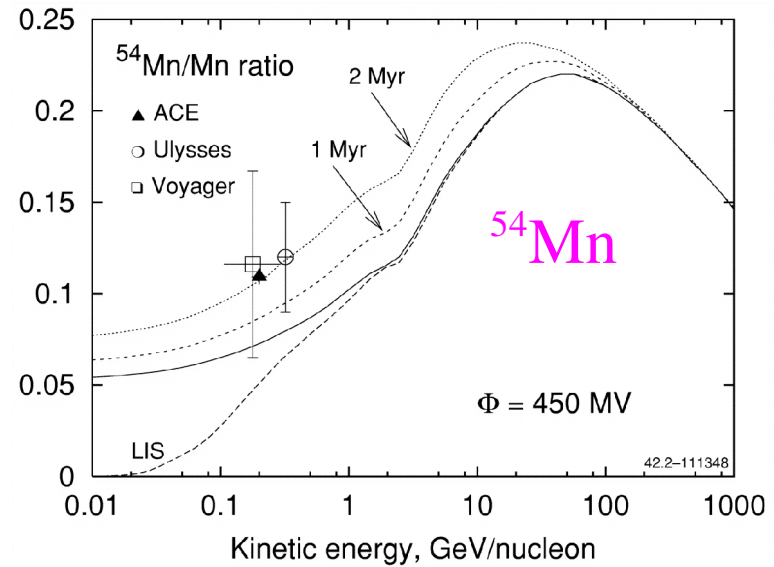
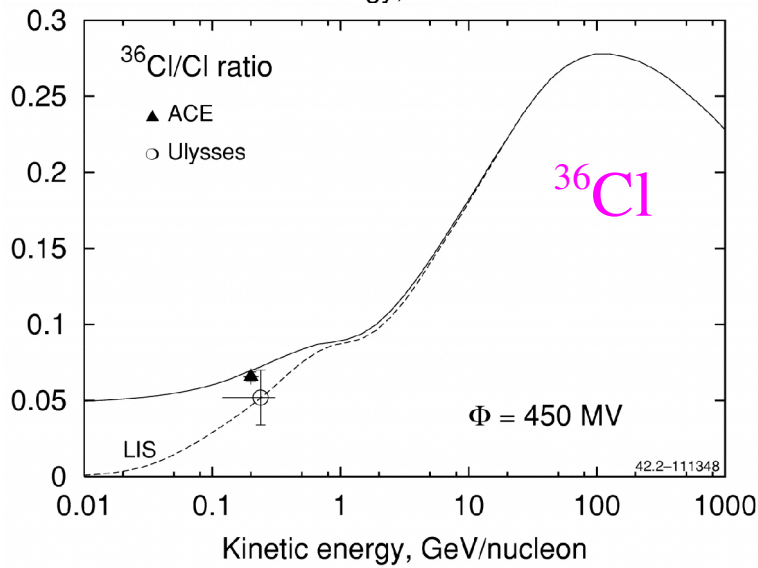
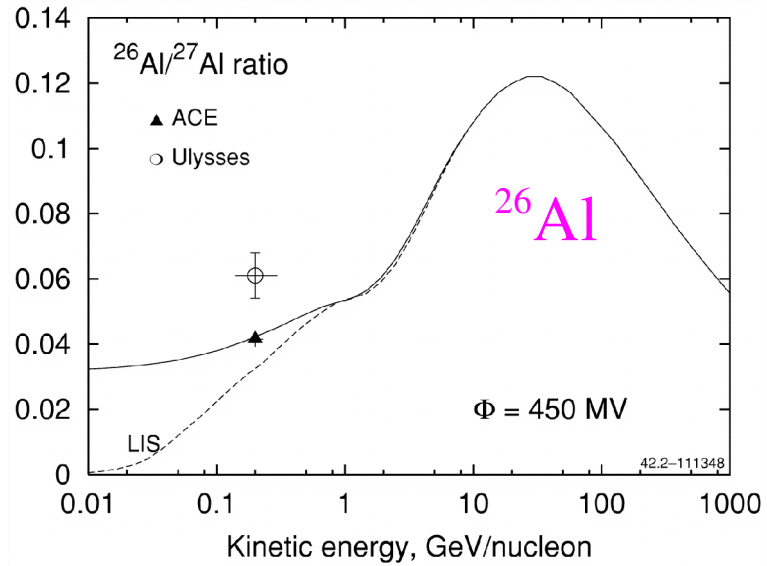
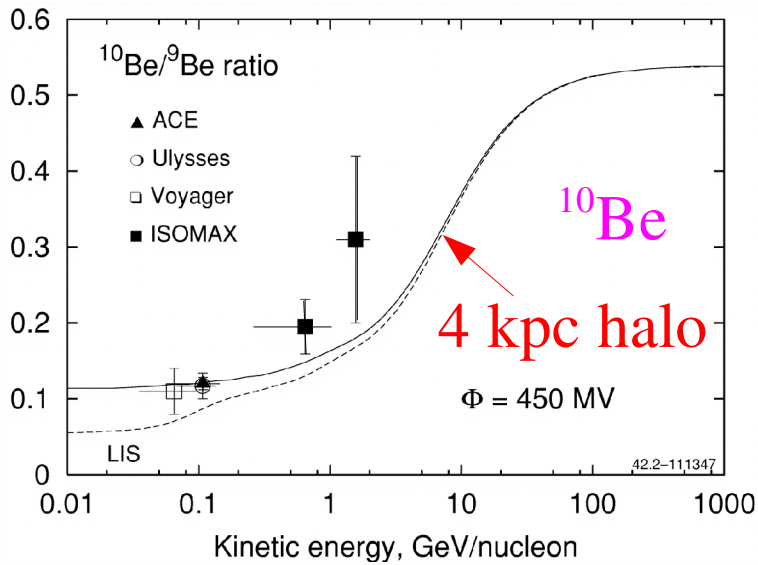
# Radioactive nuclei set limits on size of halo



$3 < z < 7$  kpc

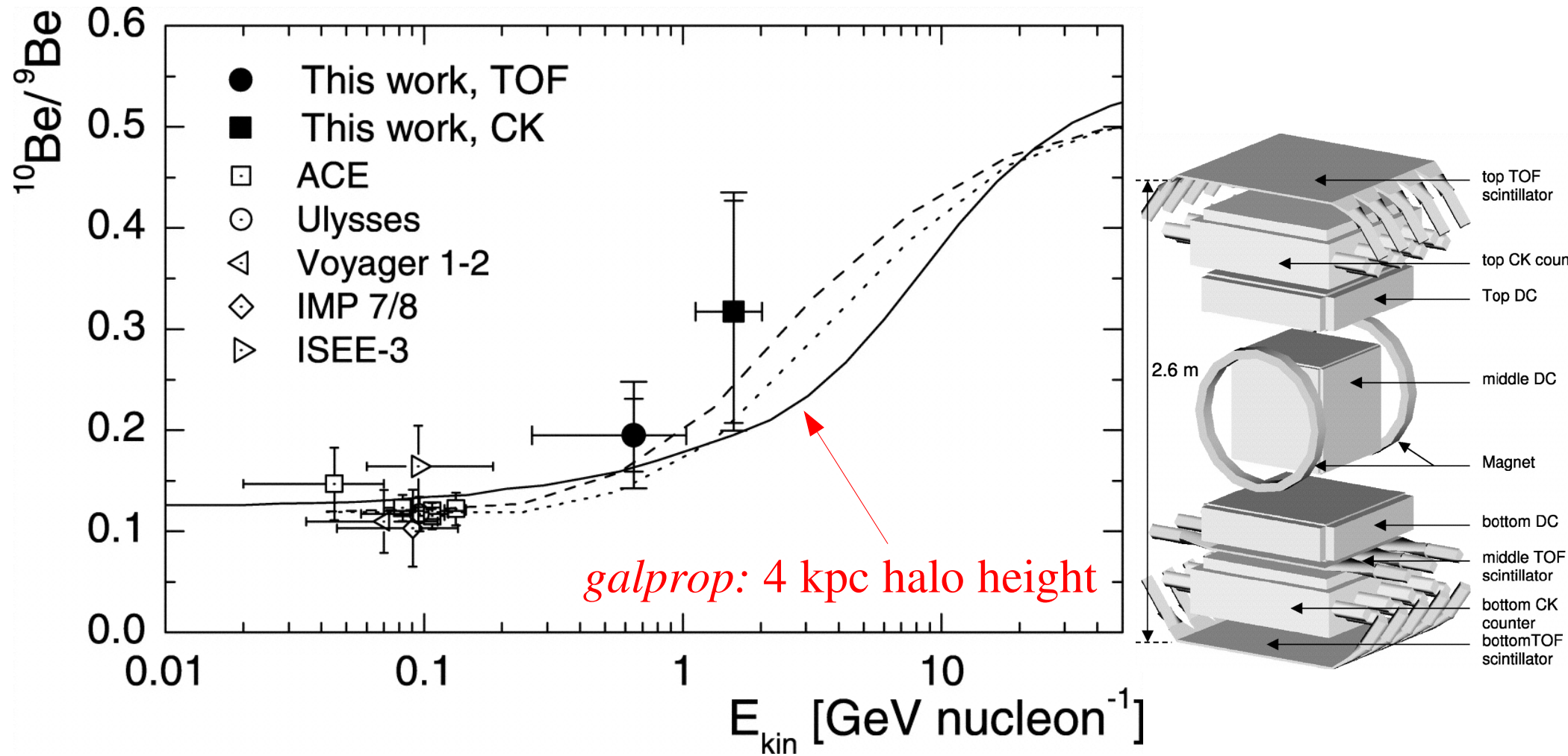
# Radioactive nuclei set limits on size of halo

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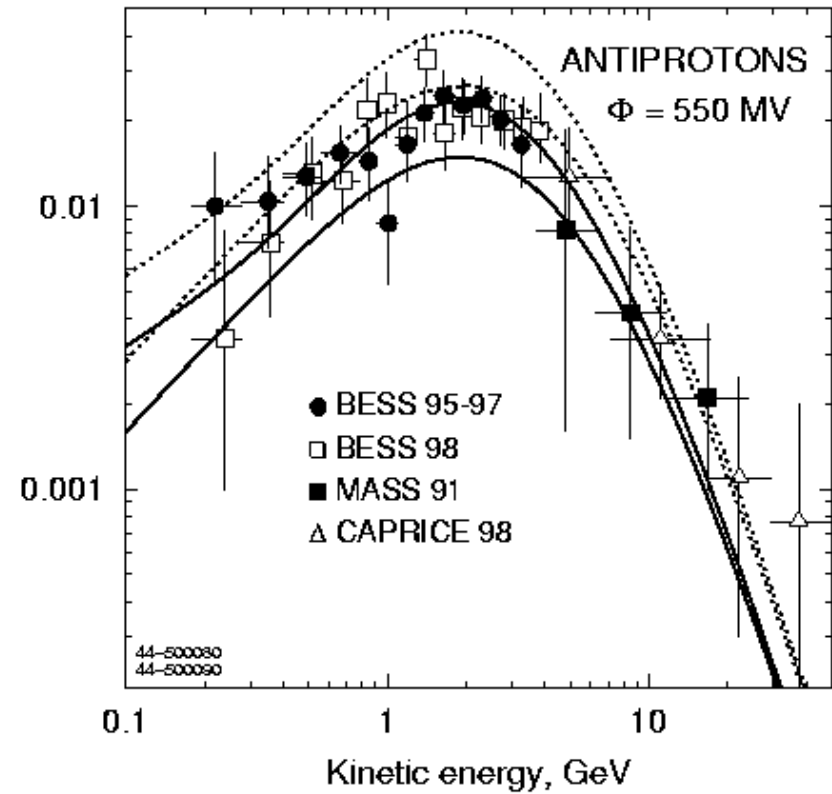
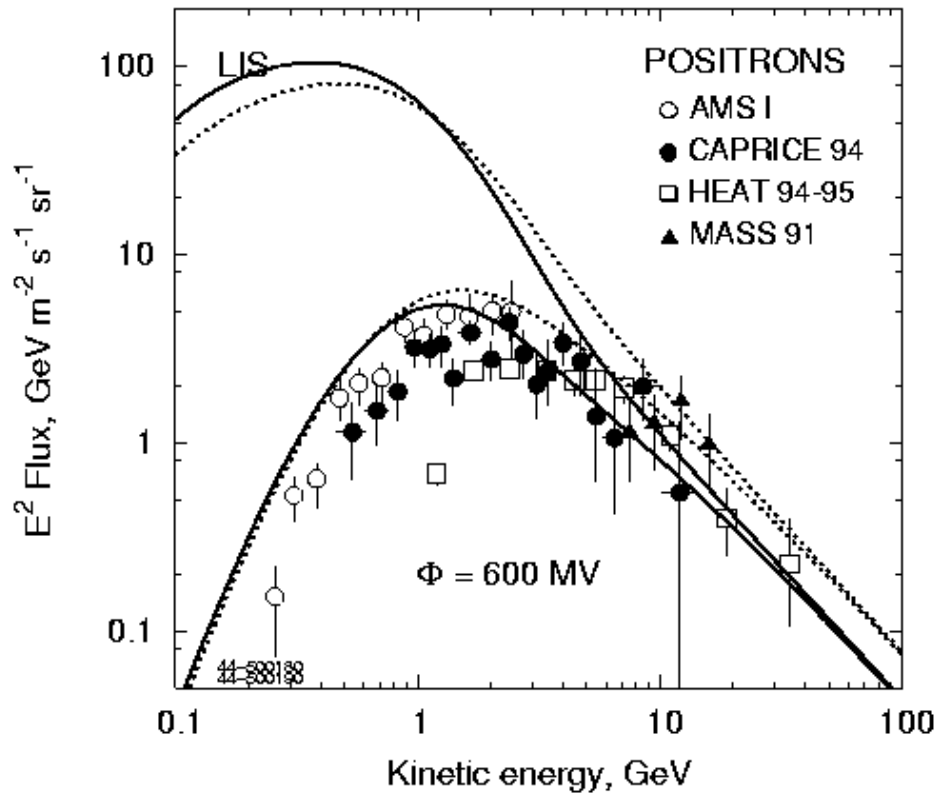


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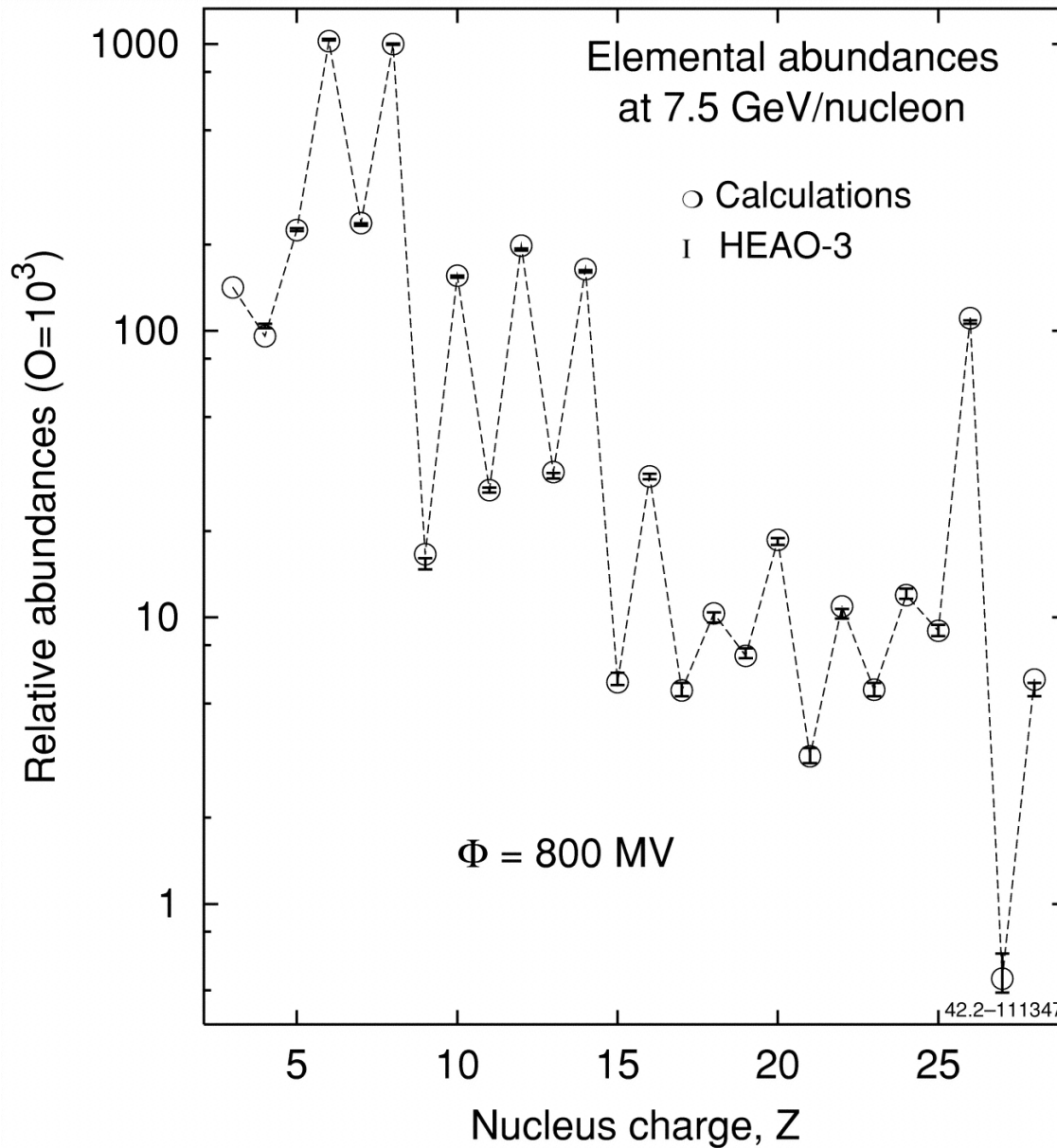
New data: ACE, ISOMAX



Secondary positrons, antiprotons  
good test of model (production in p-p collisions like  $\gamma$ -rays !)

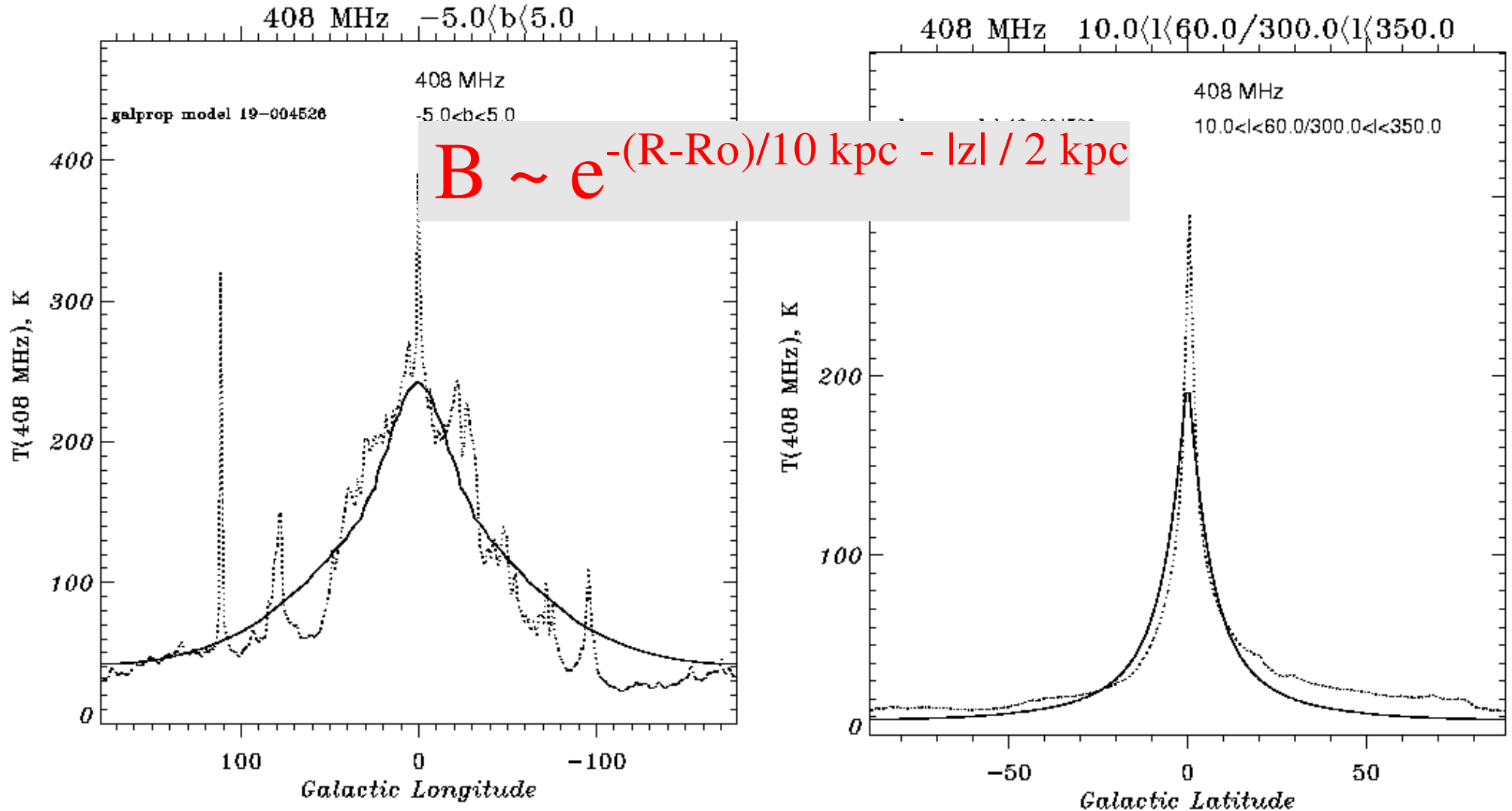


# *galprop*-computed cosmic-ray elemental abundances





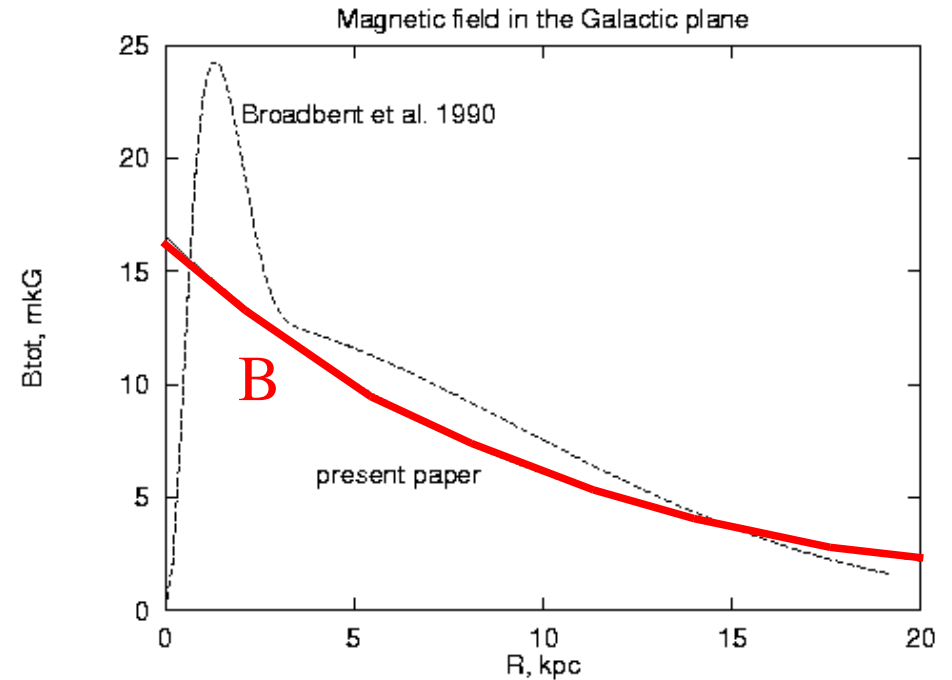
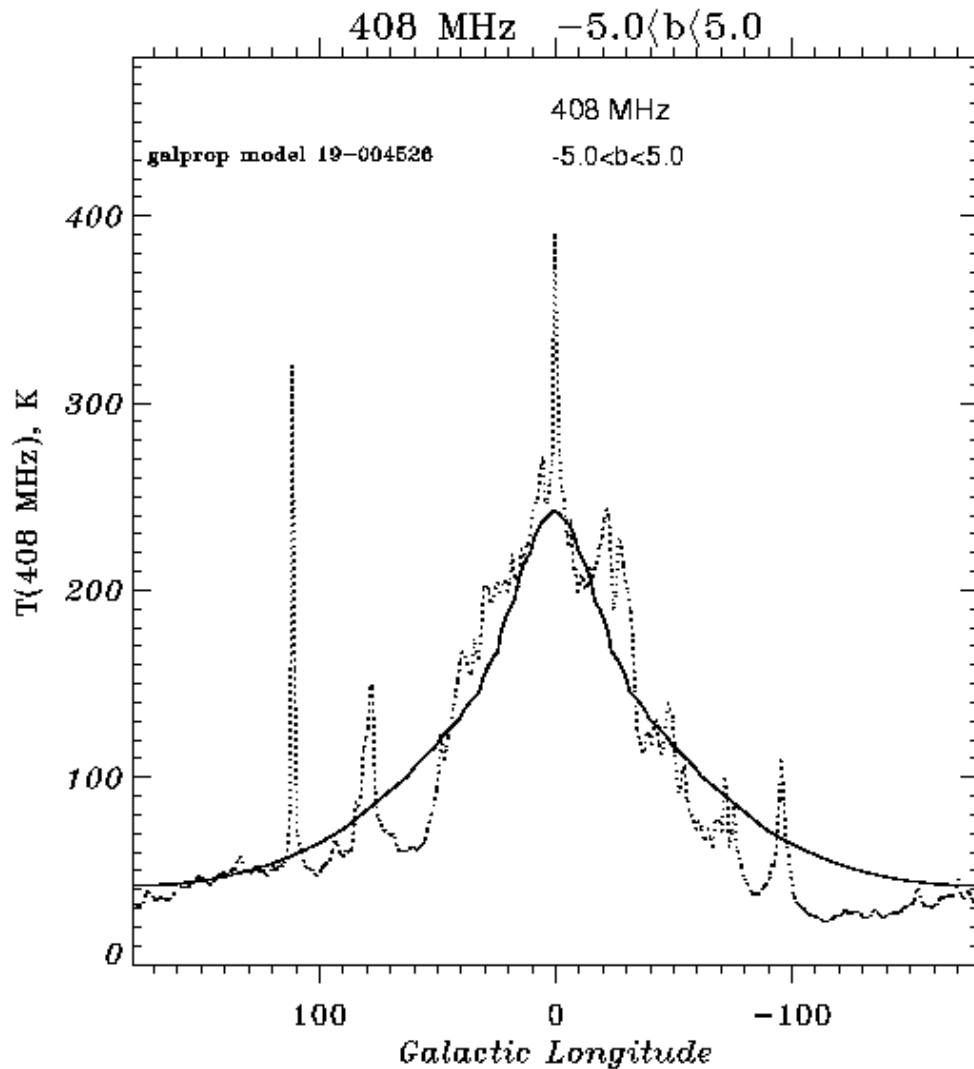
## Synchrotron and B field



Cosmic-ray electrons from EGRET  $\gamma$ - rays  $\rightarrow$  B from synchrotron  
Strong, Moskalenko & Reimer 2000

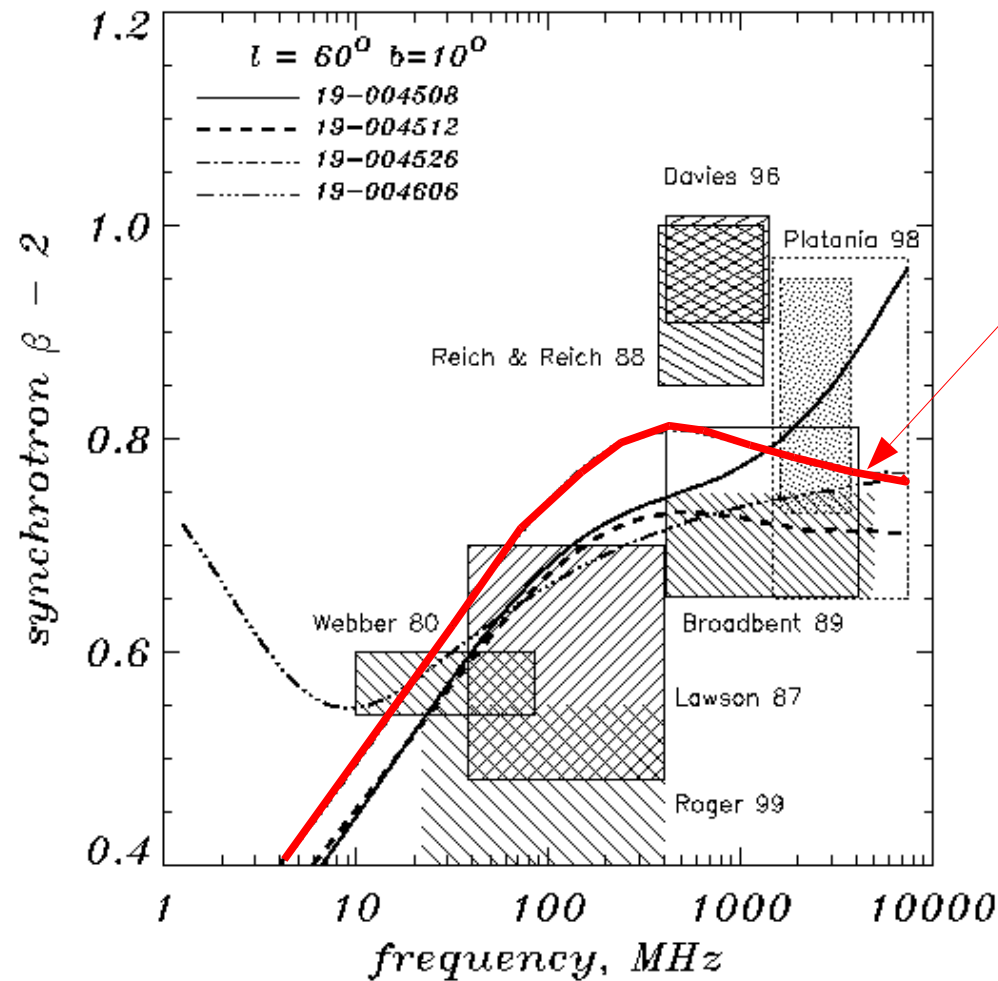
## Synchrotron and B field

$$B \sim e^{-(R-R_0)/10 \text{ kpc} - |z|/2 \text{ kpc}}$$



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# Synchrotron spectral index constrains interstellar electron spectral shape

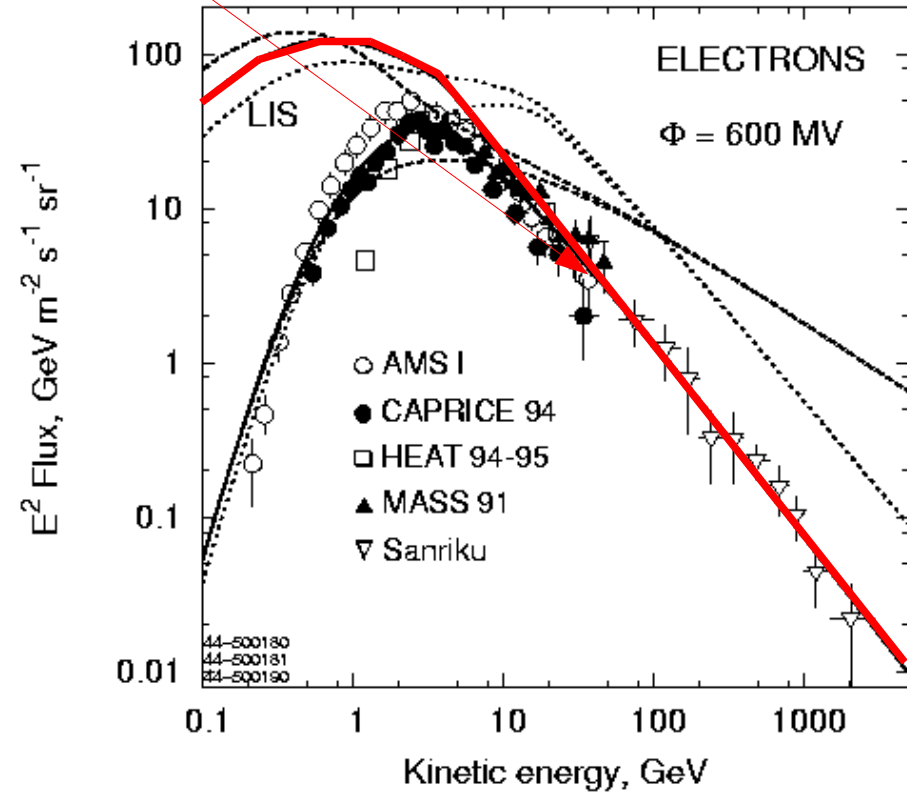
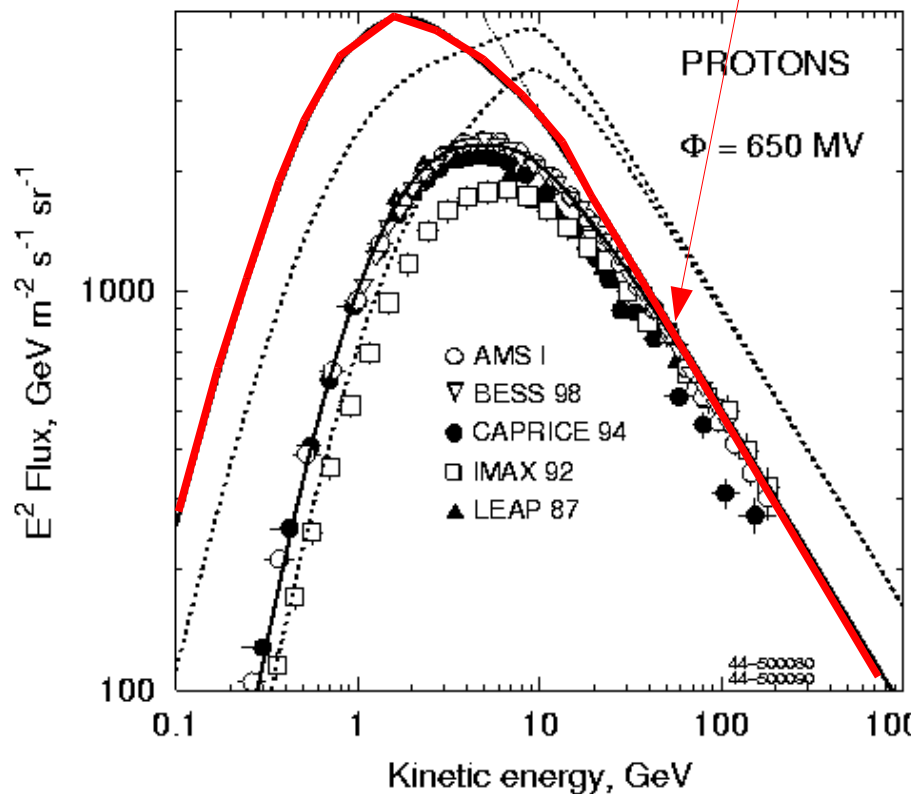


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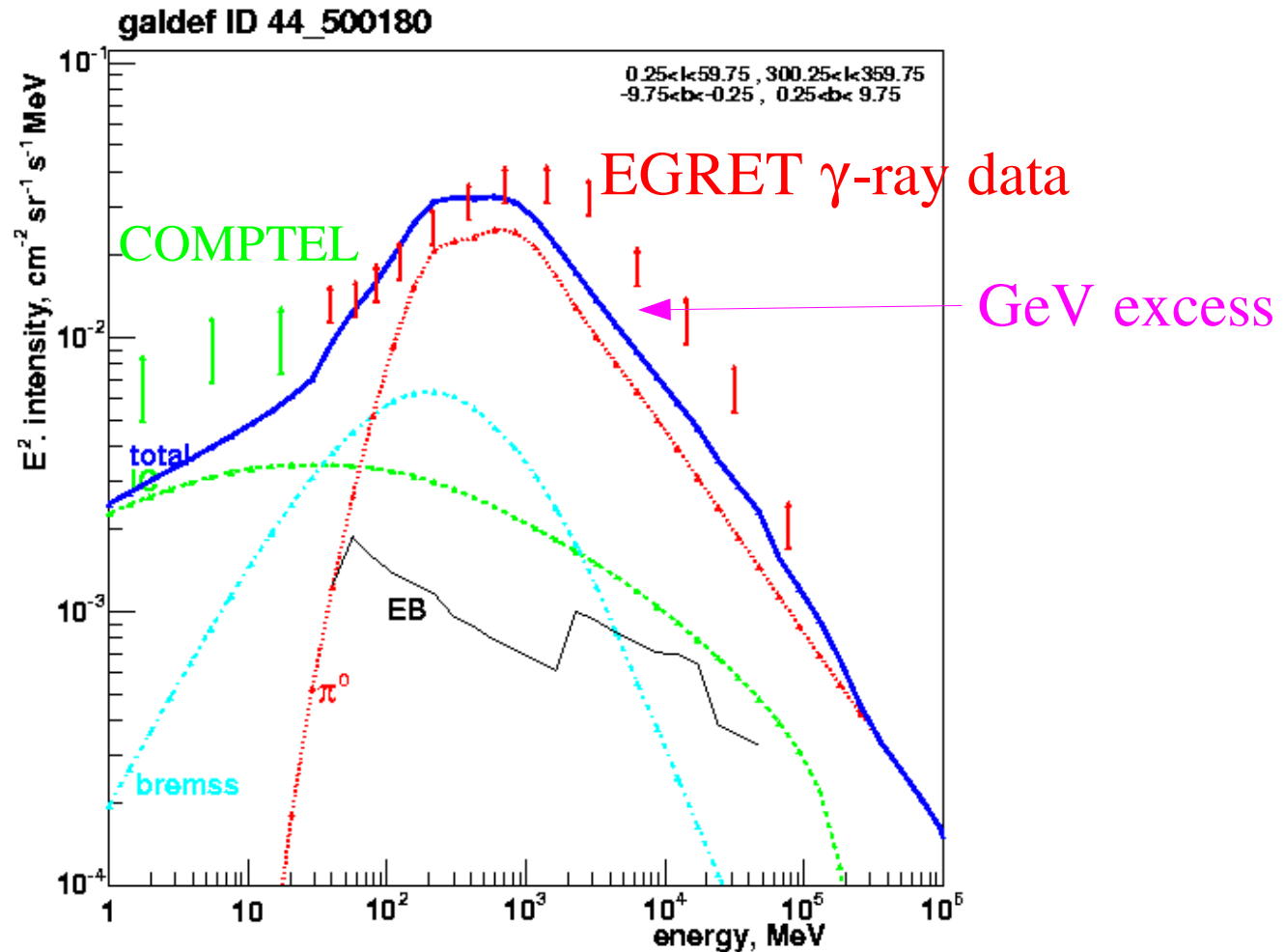
New WMAP etc. data not yet exploited !

# Modelling diffuse Galactic gamma-rays:

*Conventional model: p, e spectra as measured (& demodulated)*



*Conventional* model: protons (+He) and electrons as directly measured

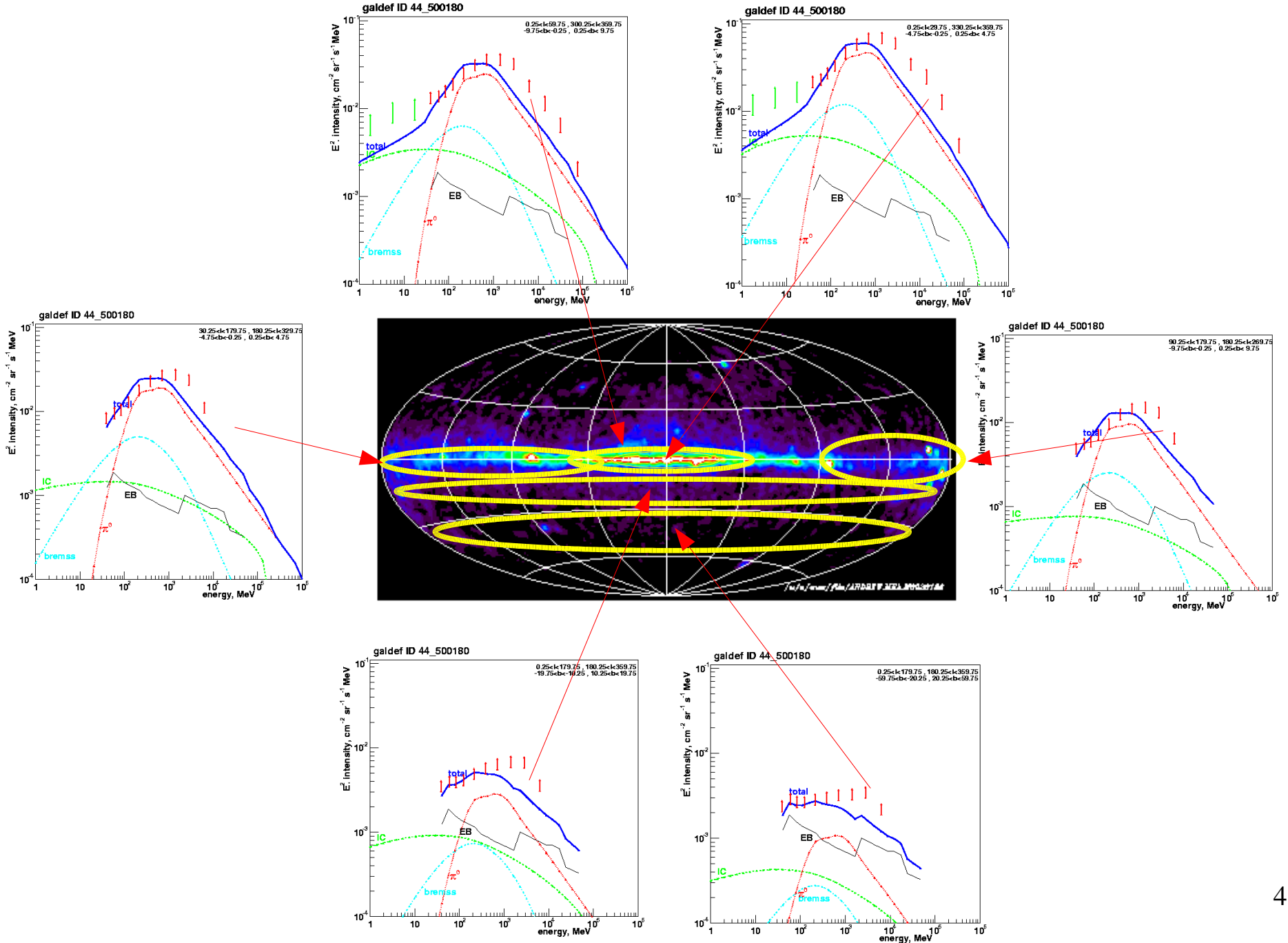


There really IS an excess !

## Proposed explanations of GeV $\gamma$ - ray excess:

1. SNR with injection CR spectra
2. Hard nucleon injection spectrum.
3. Hard electron injection spectrum
4. Moderate changes of nucleon and electron spectra
5. Exotic: dark matter

# Wherever you look, the GeV $\gamma$ -ray excess is there !





## Proposed explanations of GeV $\gamma$ - ray excess:

### 1. SNR with injection CR spectra:

harder than propagated spectra => excess

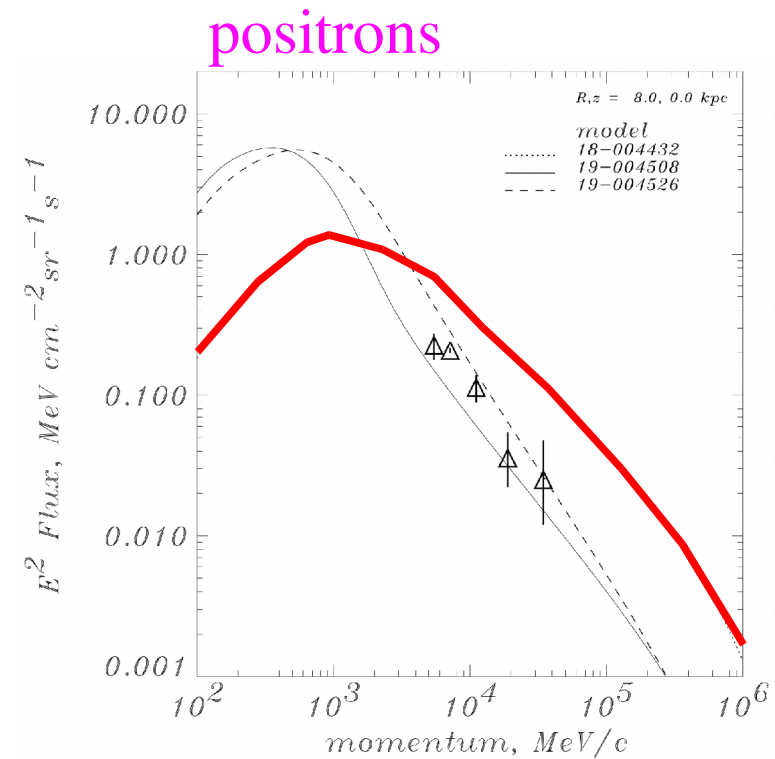
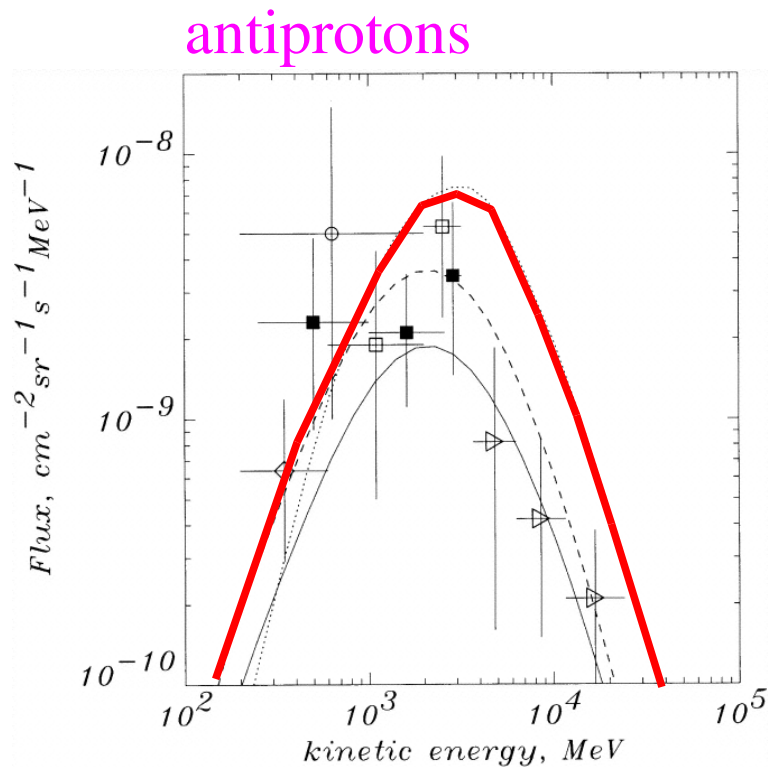
**NO:** would give only excess at low latitudes, but observed everywhere

# Proposed explanations of GeV $\gamma$ - ray excess:

## #2. Hard proton injection spectrum

(e.g. if directly measured spectra are different from Galactic )

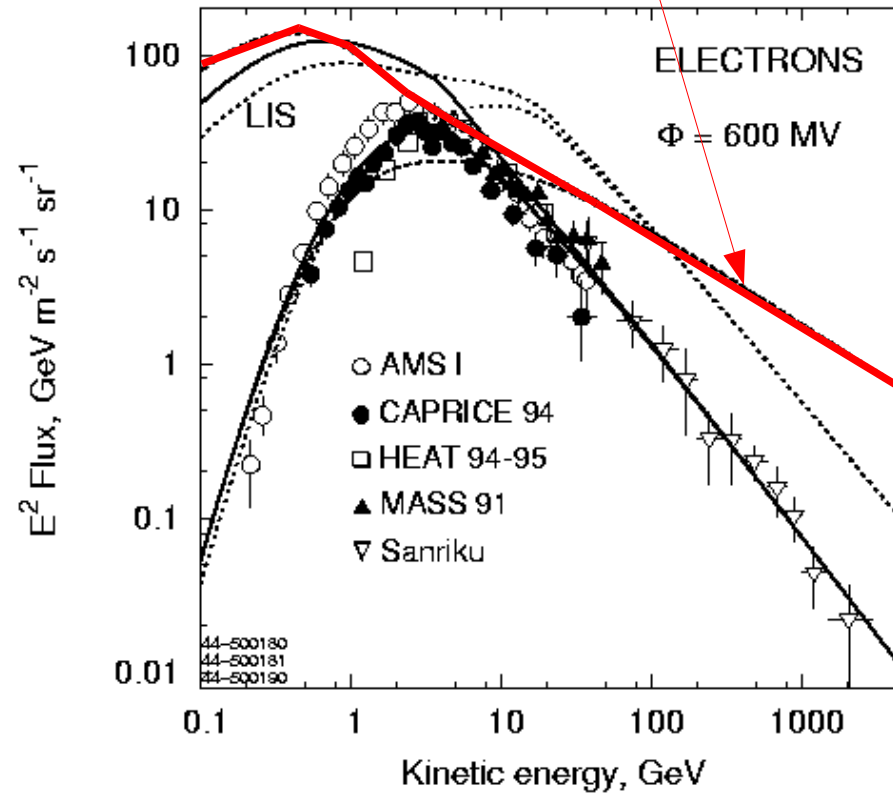
NO: too many antiprotons, positrons (produced along with  $\gamma$ - rays).



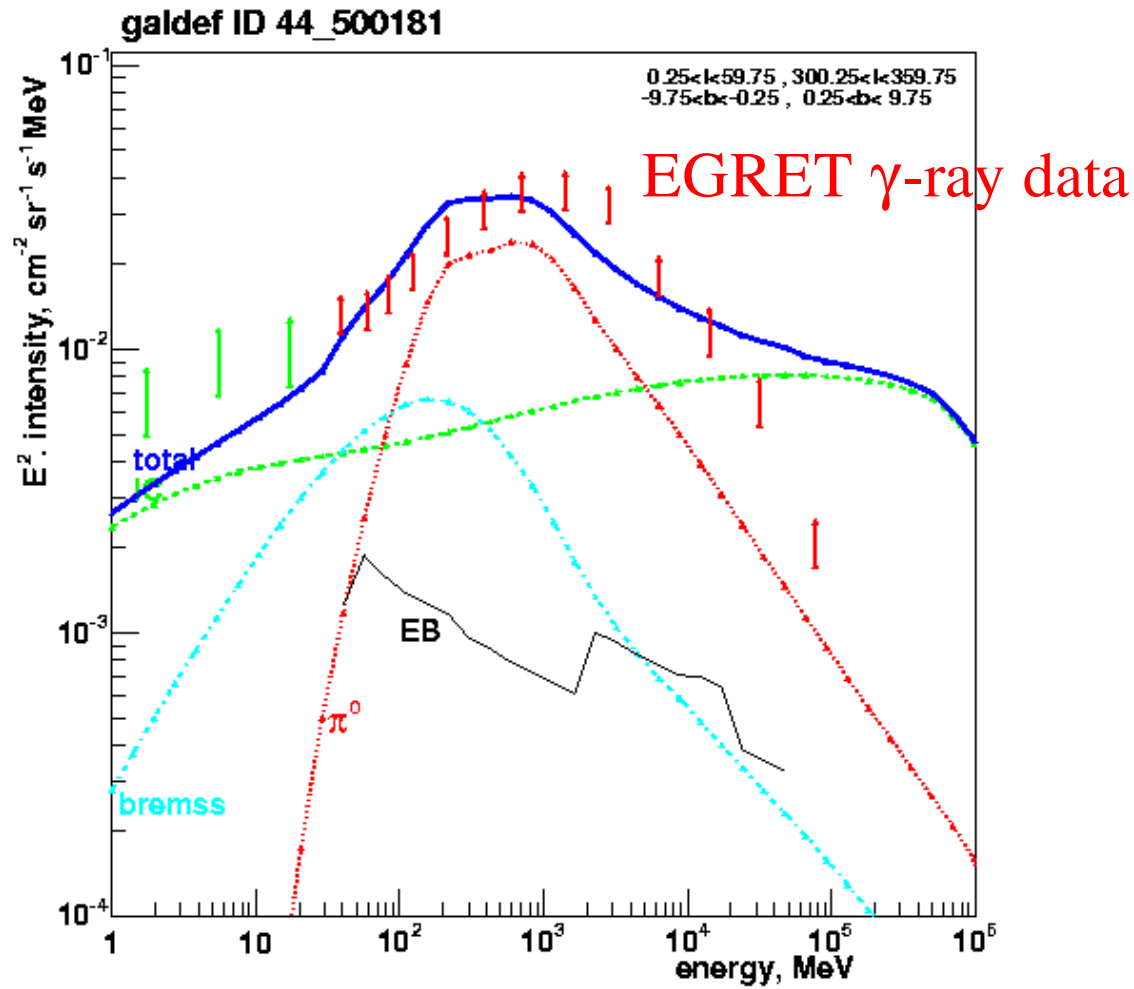
*illustrates advantage of combined particles and  $\gamma$ - ray analysis*

# Possible origin of GeV $\gamma$ - ray excess

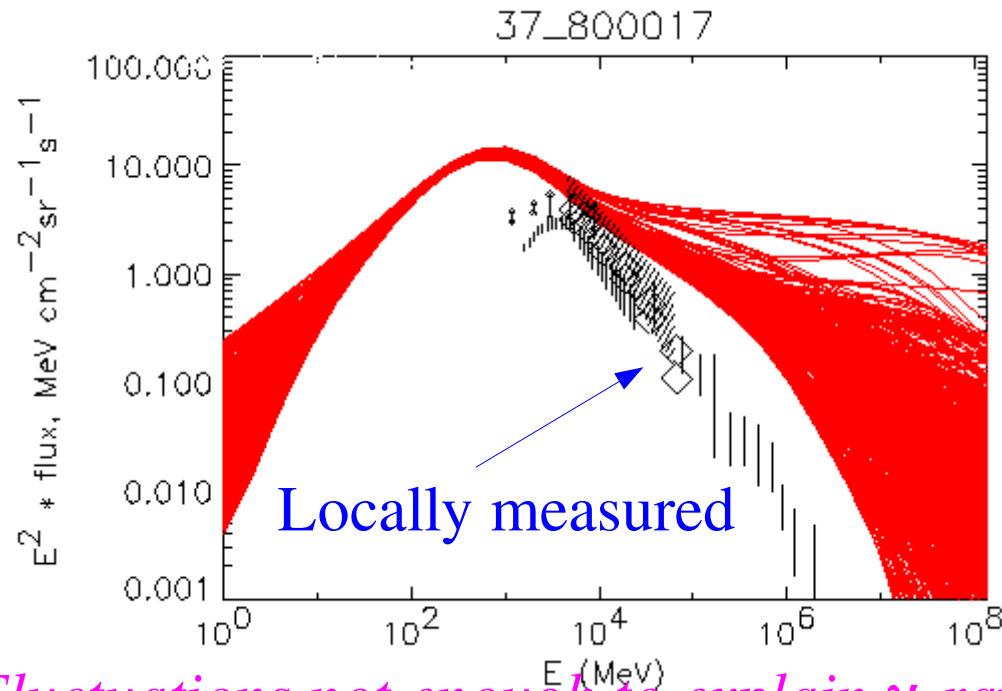
## Hard electron injection spectrum



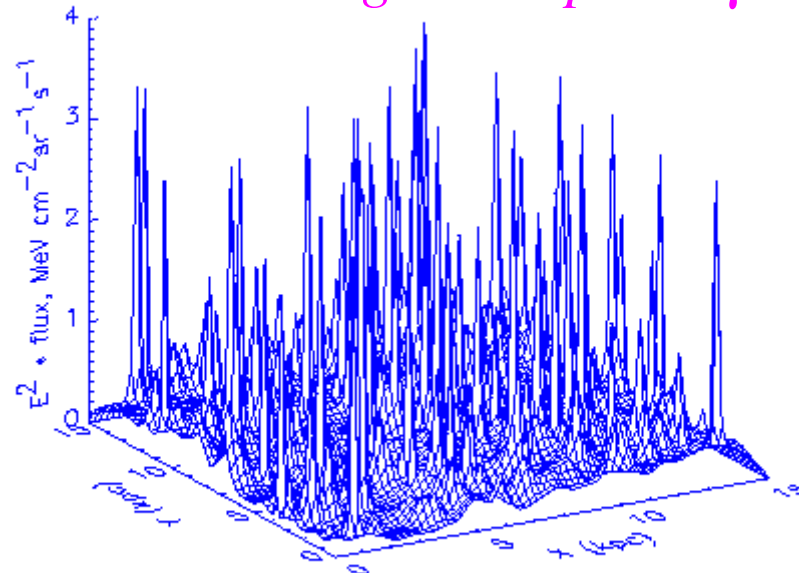
Hard electron injection spectrum:  
problem  $E_\gamma > 10$  GeV



# Electron spectrum fluctuates with position



*Fluctuations not enough to explain  $\gamma$ -ray GeV excess!*



rate  $1/10^4 \text{ yr/kpc}^3$

Depends on SN rate

## Proposed explanations of GeV $\gamma$ -ray excess:

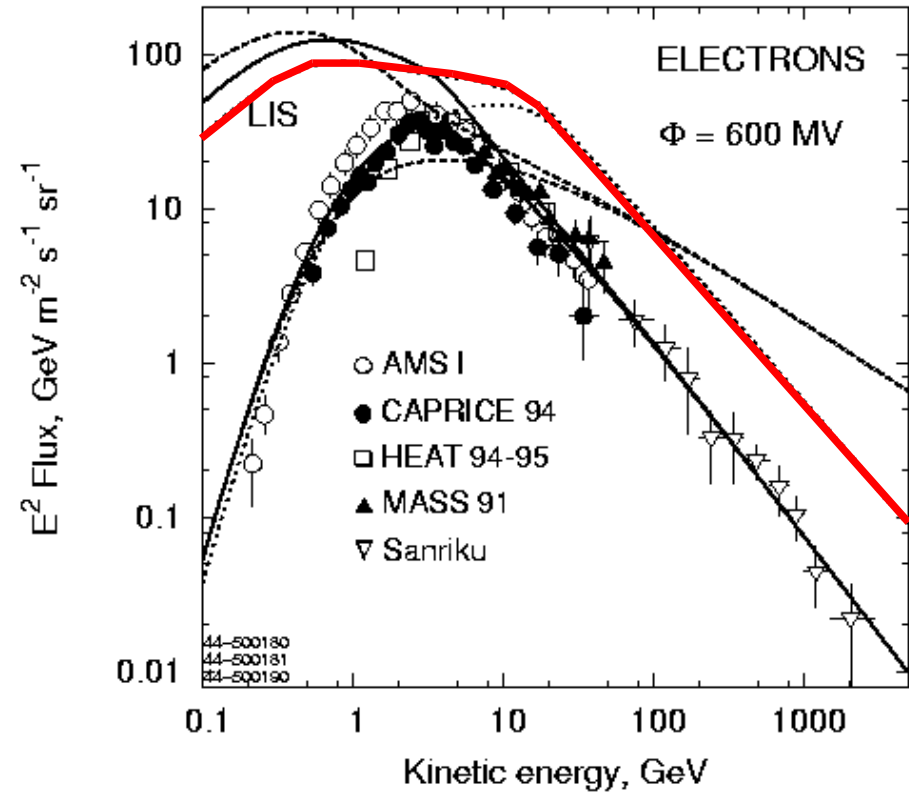
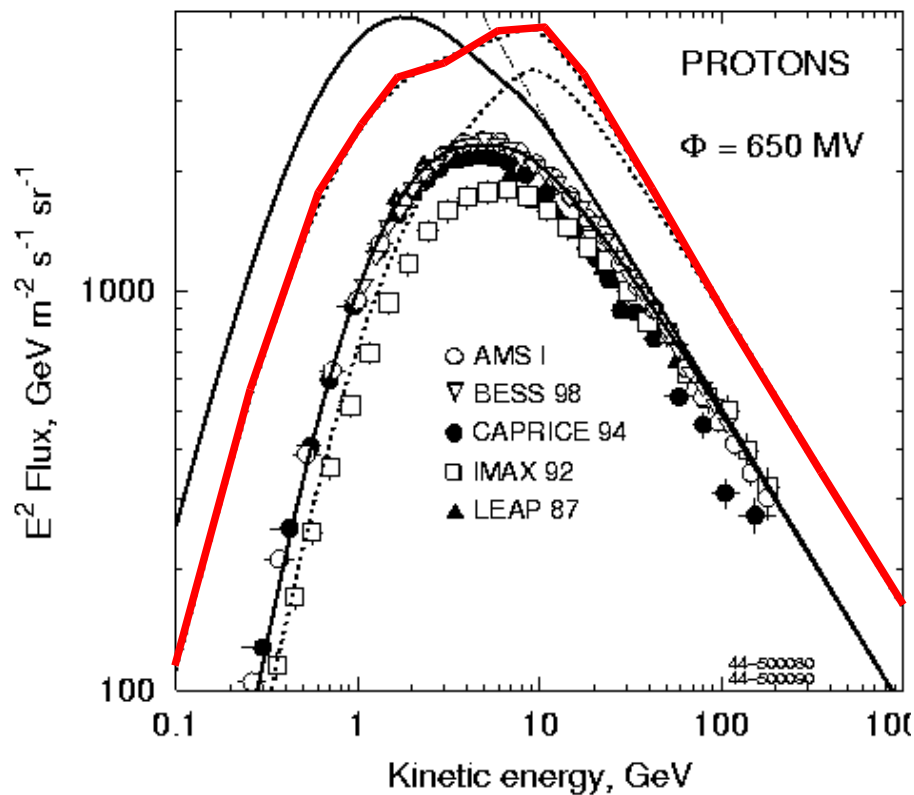
3. Hard electron injection spectrum  
(interstellar harder than observed locally due to large energy losses causing big spatial fluctuations)

NO: too hard above 10 GeV

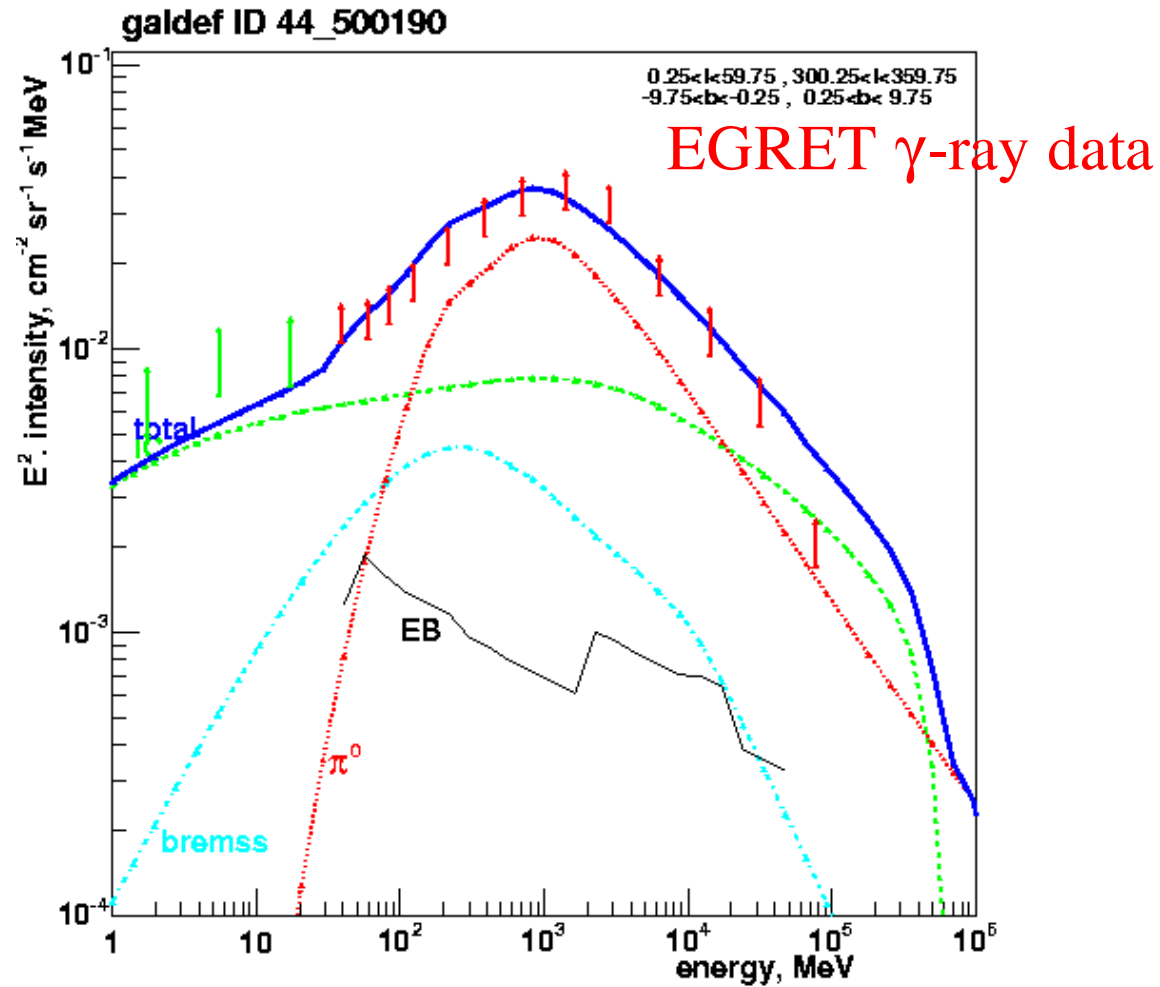
*and*

spatial fluctuations not enough to allow locally observed spectrum

*Optimized model:  $p, e$  spectra factor 2-3 higher than measured (justification: spatial variations due to stochastic nature of sources)*

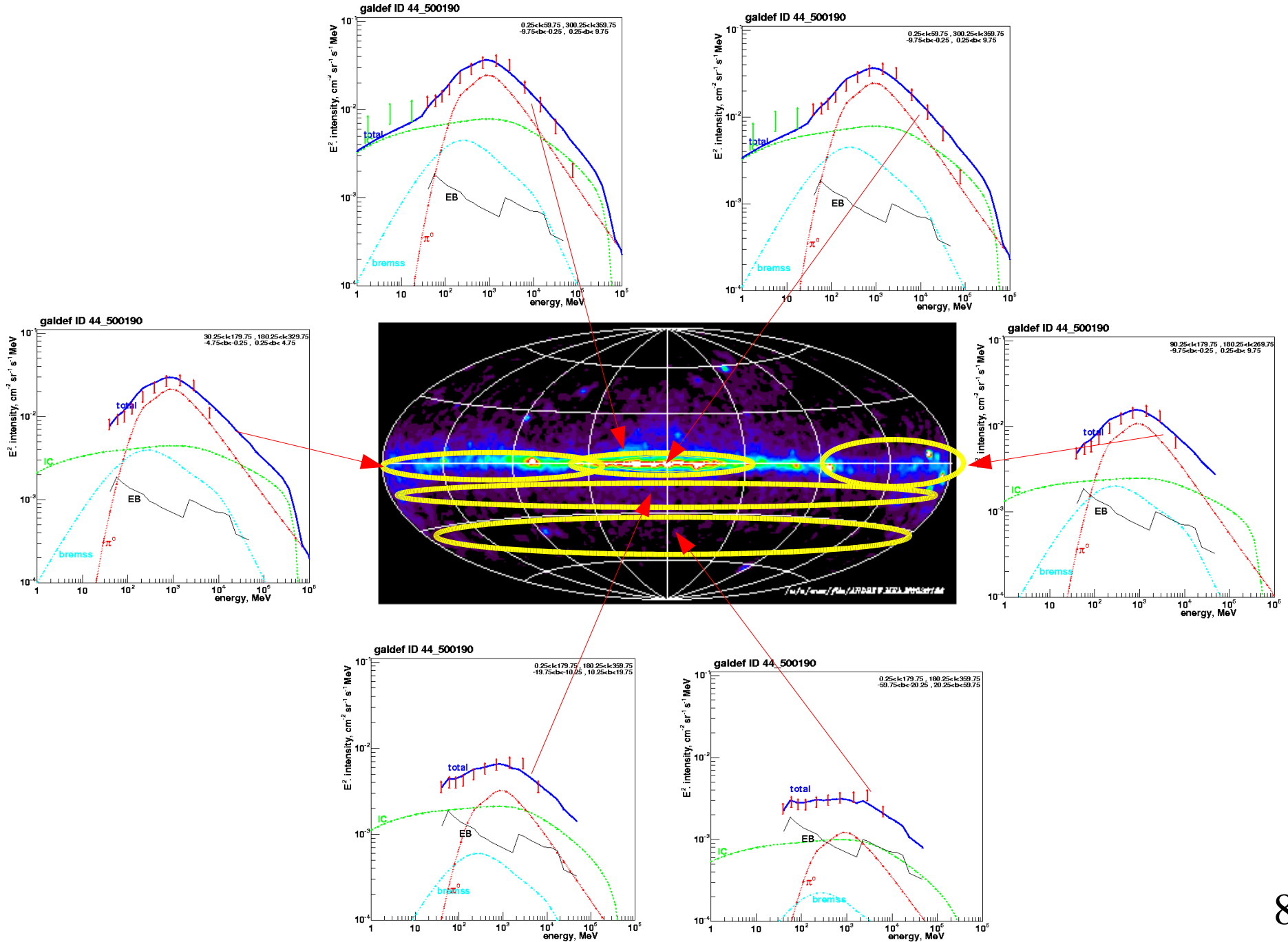


*Optimized* model: vary proton, electron spectra  
compatible with expected spatial variations





# Optimized model explains the GeV $\gamma$ - ray excess everywhere!

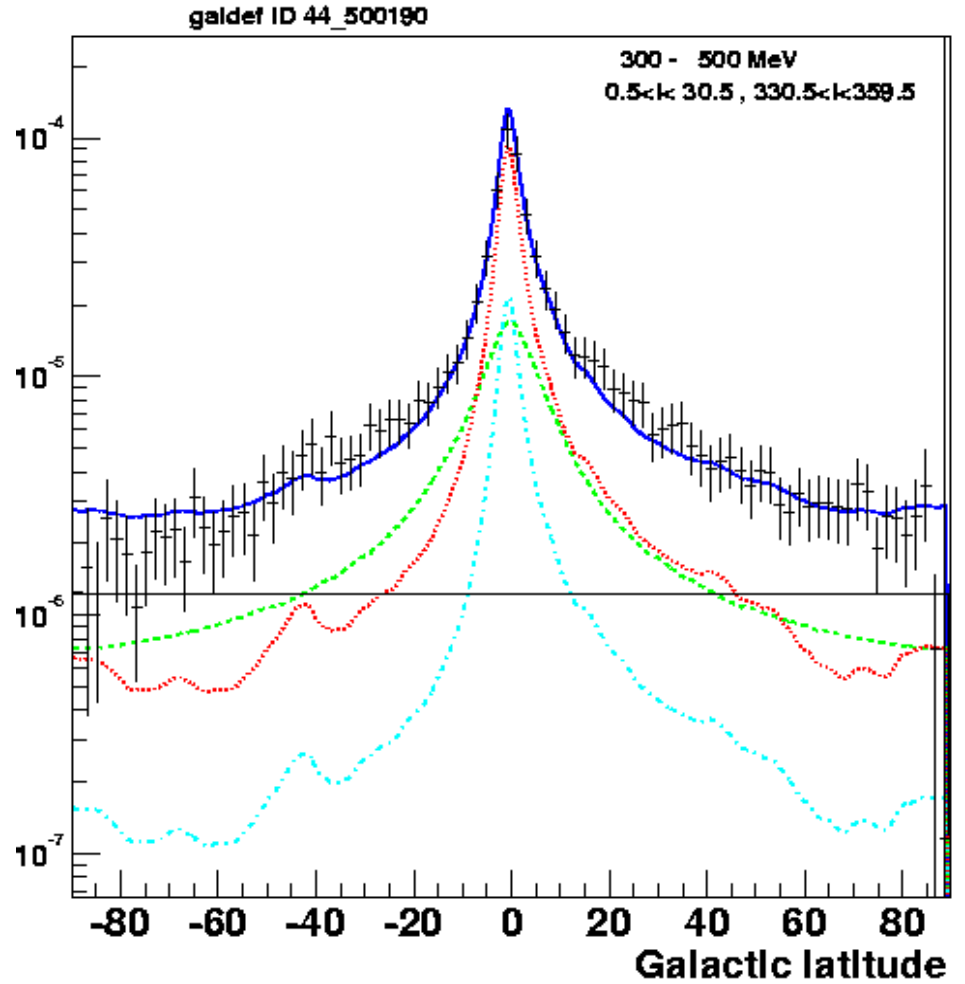
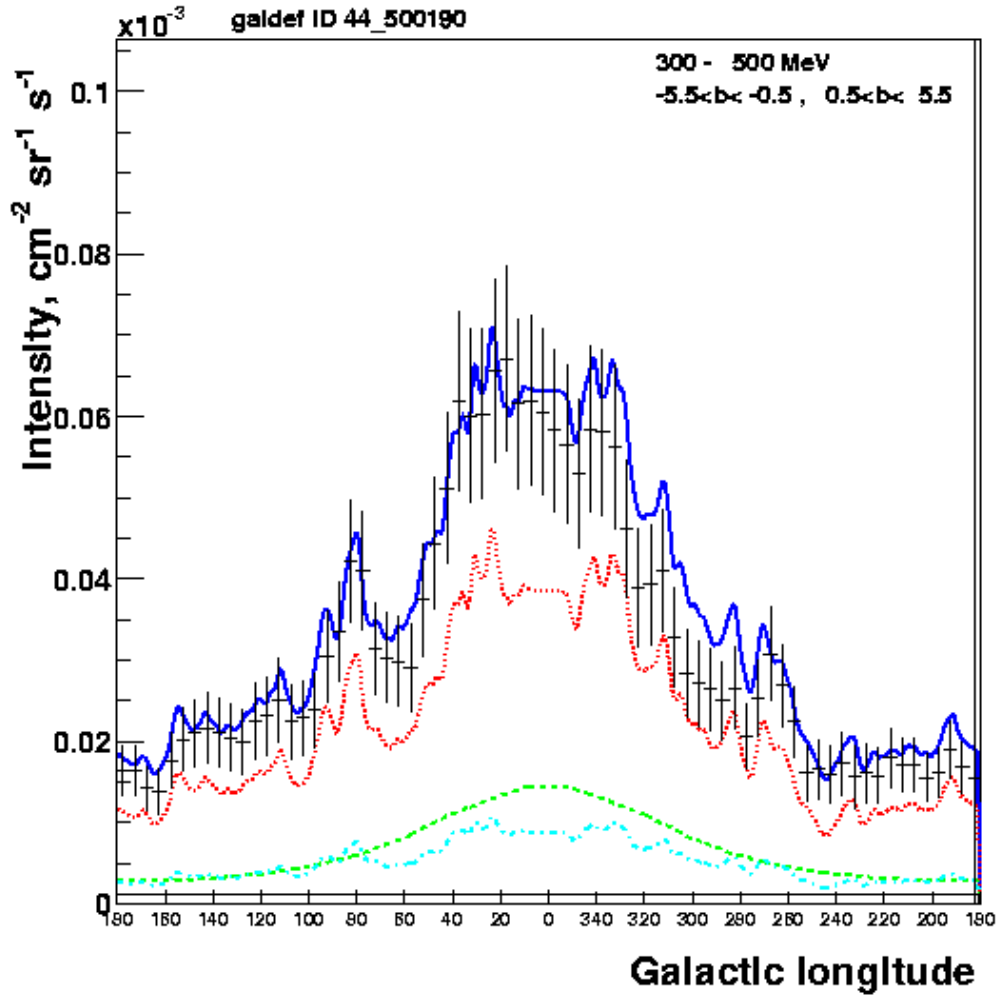


Proposed explanations of GeV  $\gamma$ -ray excess:

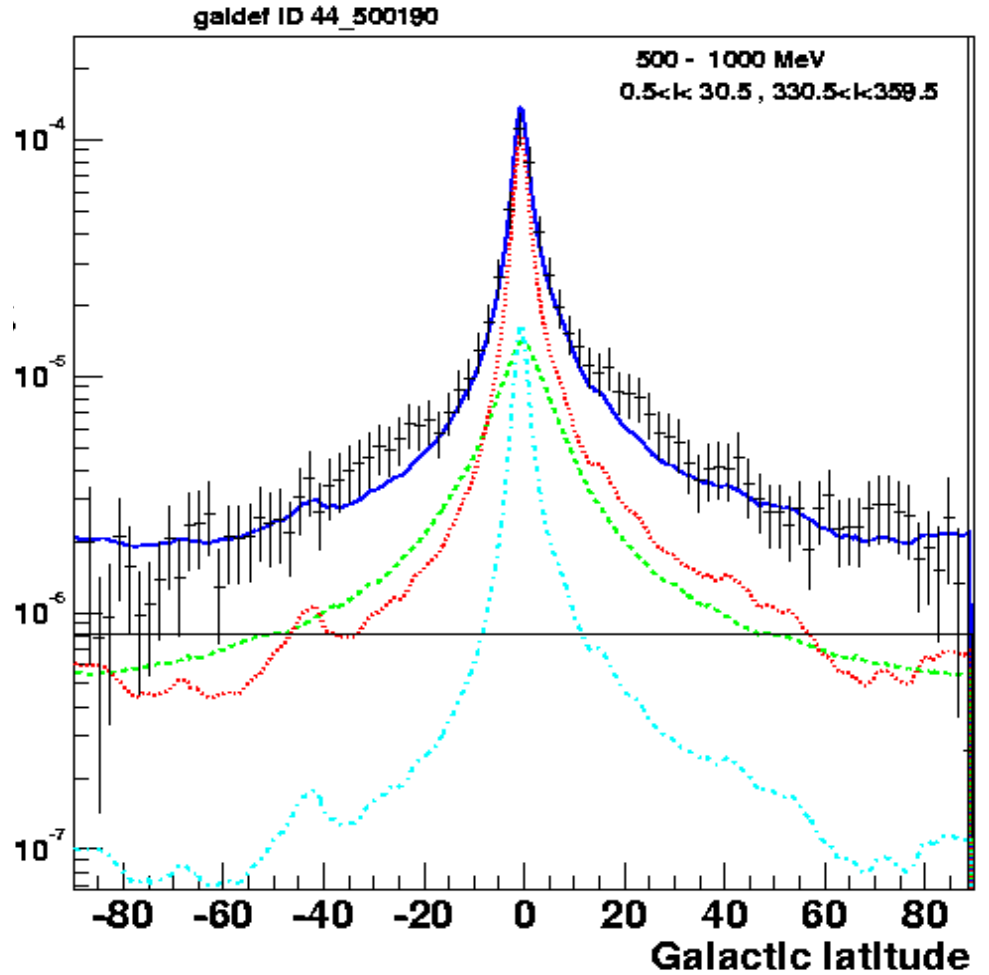
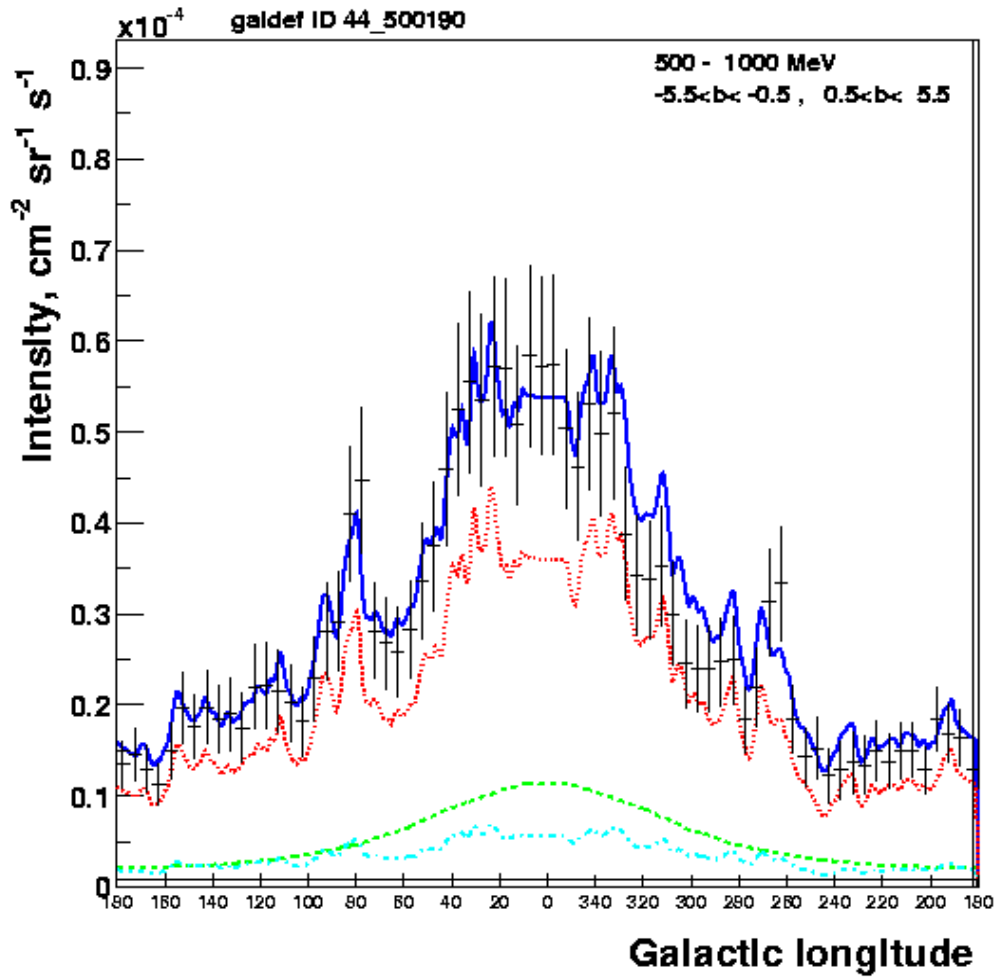
4. Moderate changes in nucleon and electron spectra:

YES !

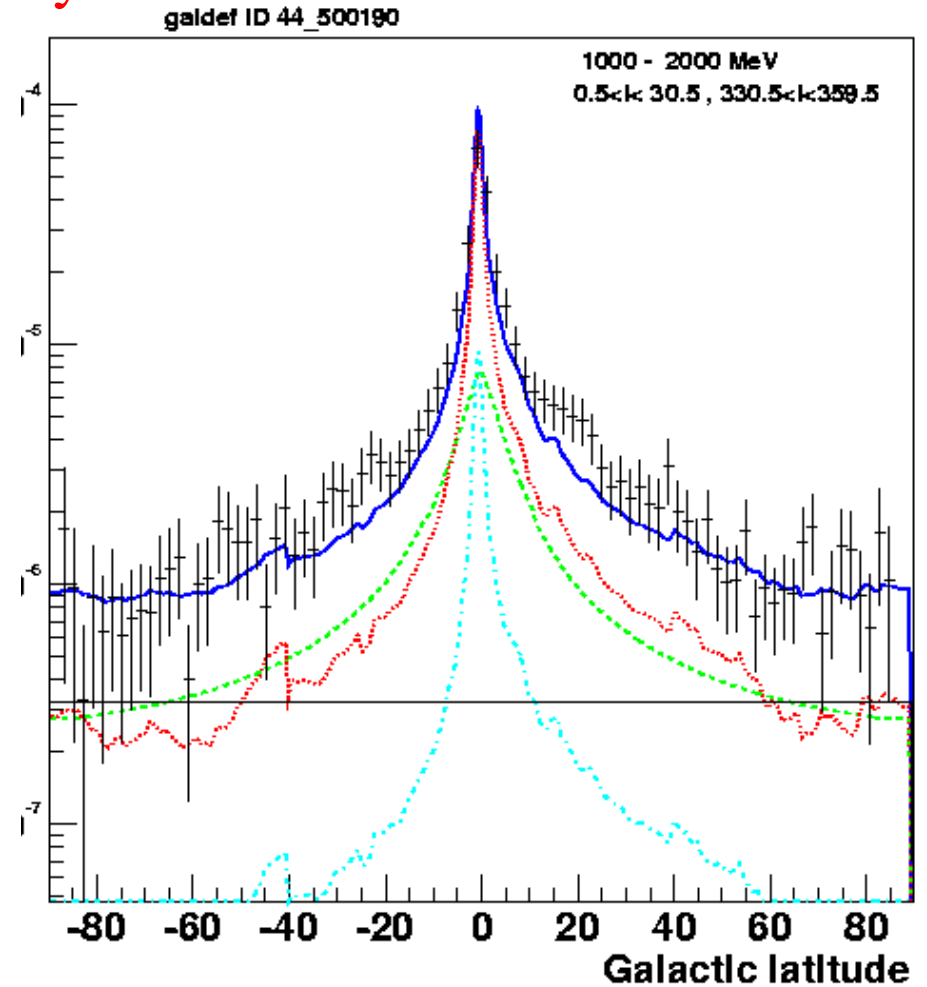
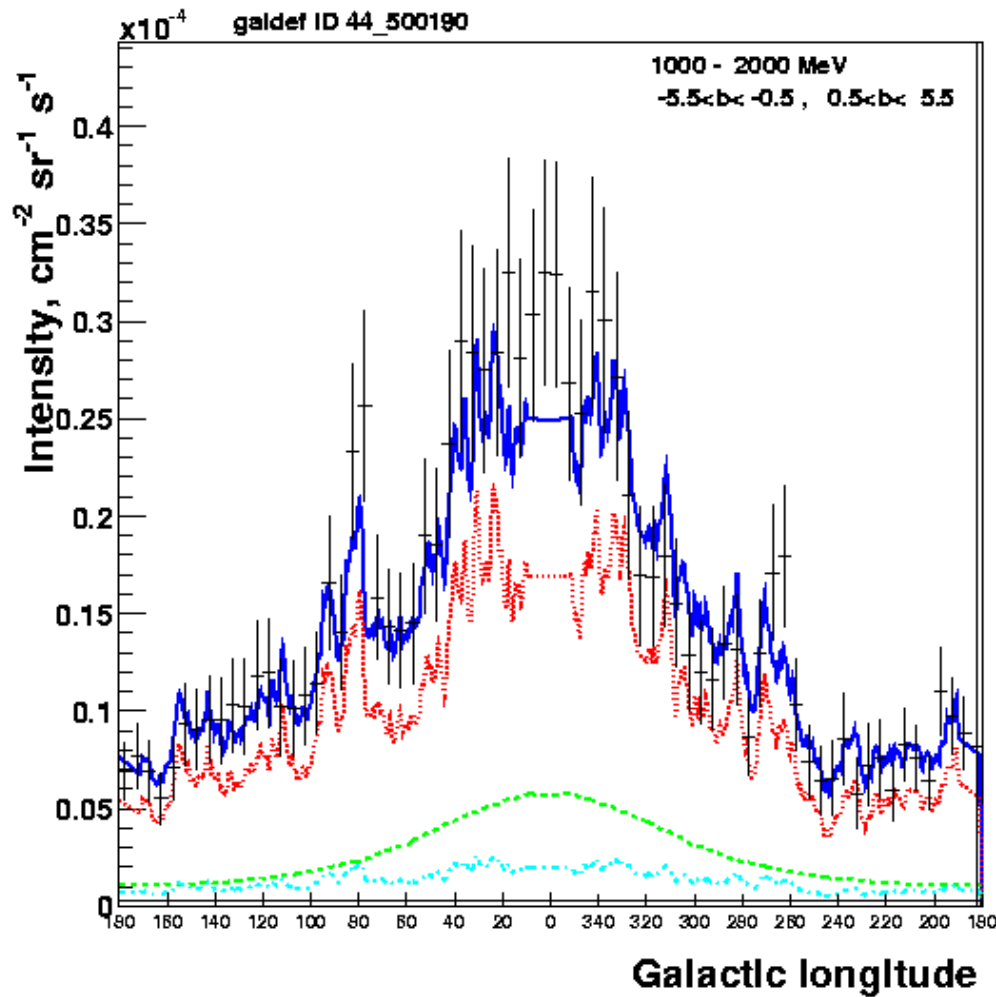
*Optimized* model Longitude, Latitude profiles  
EGRET  $\gamma$ -ray data



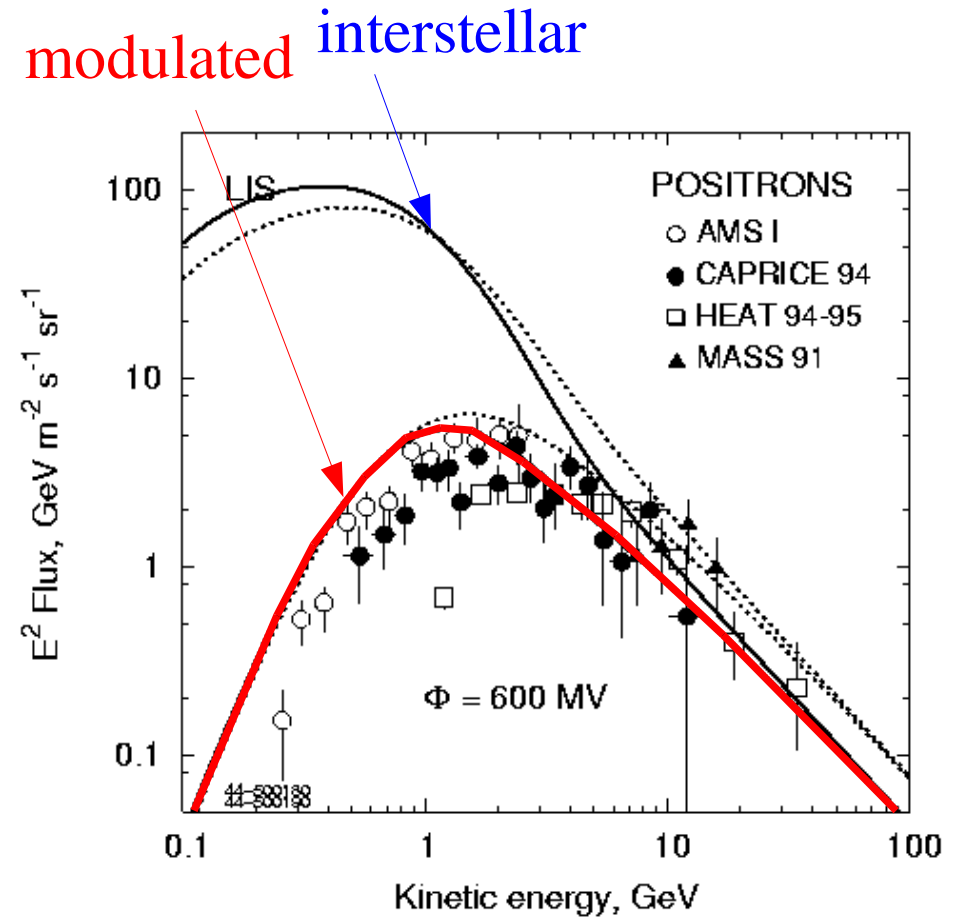
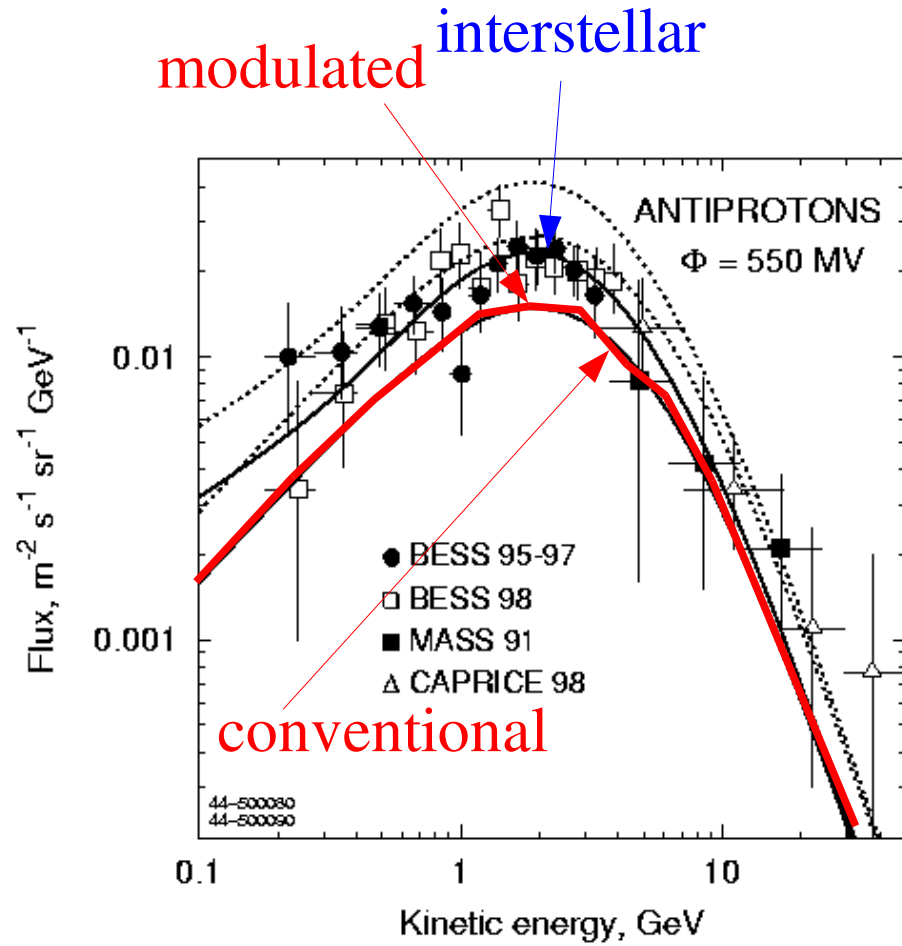
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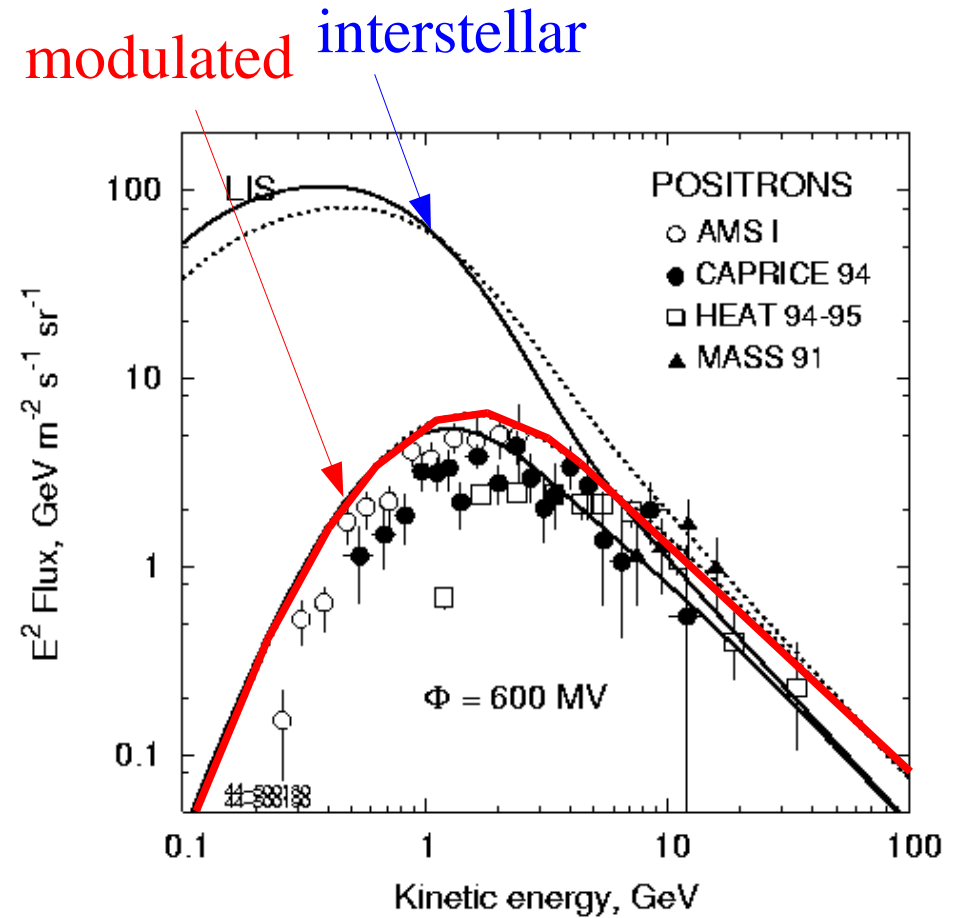
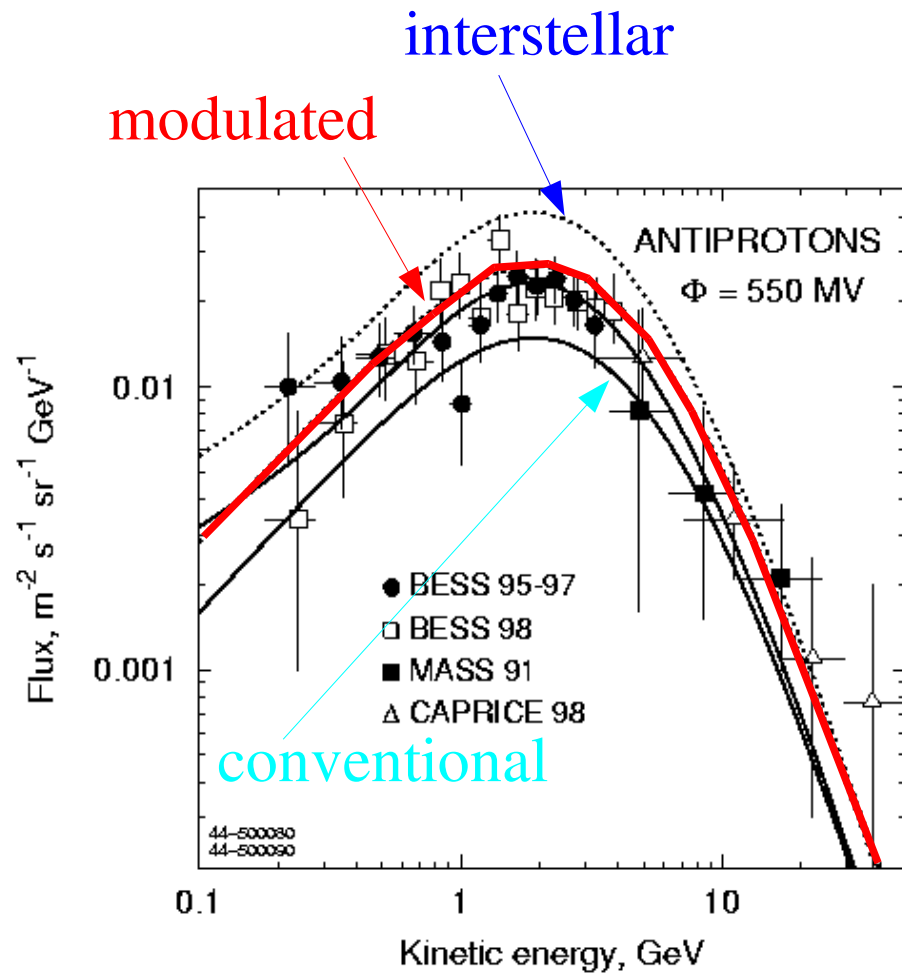
# Optimized model Longitude, Latitude profiles EGRET $\gamma$ -ray data



# Conventional model underpredicts antiprotons



*Optimized model for  $\gamma$ - rays also improves antiproton, positron predictions*



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NO: too many antiprotons, positrons.

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NO: too hard above 10 GeV

and spatial fluctuations not enough to allow locally observed spectrum

### 4. Moderate changes in nucleon and electron spectra

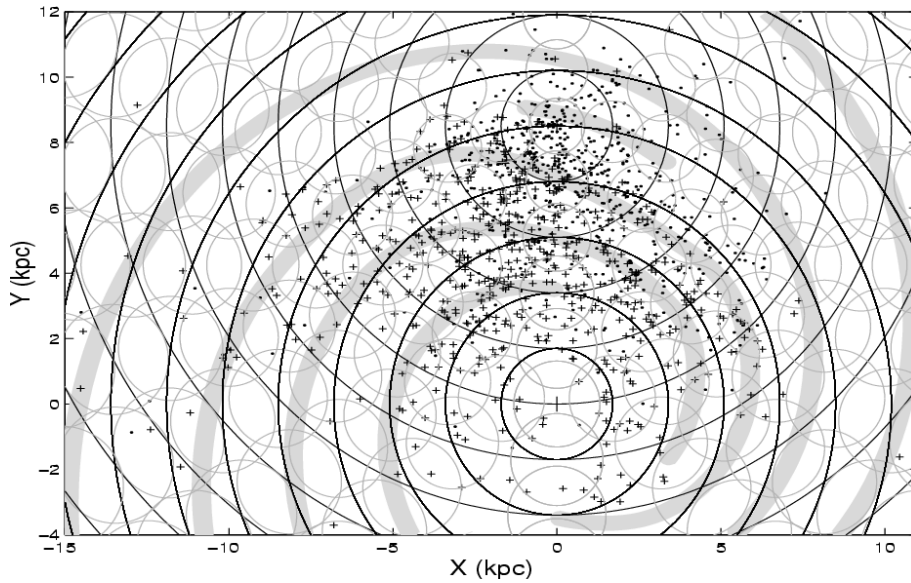
**YES !**

### 5. Exotic: dark matter (WIMPS: e.g. de Boer et al. astro-ph/0312037)

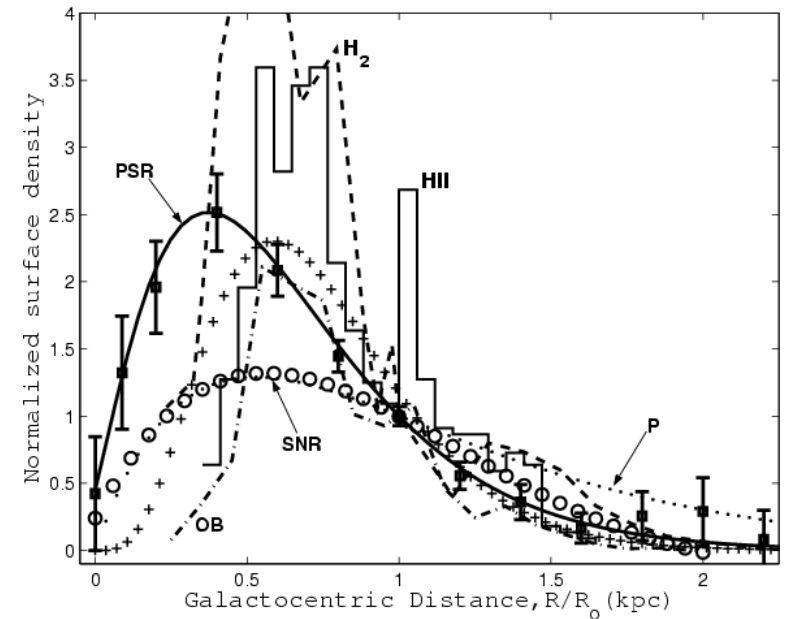
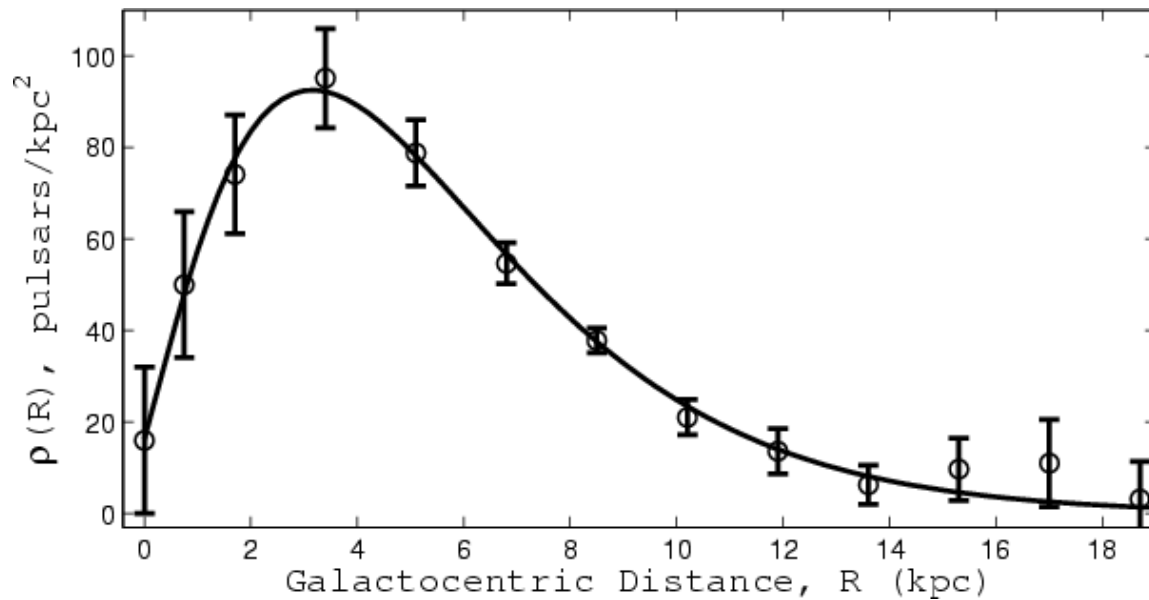
Maybe, if not #4



# Pulsar distribution

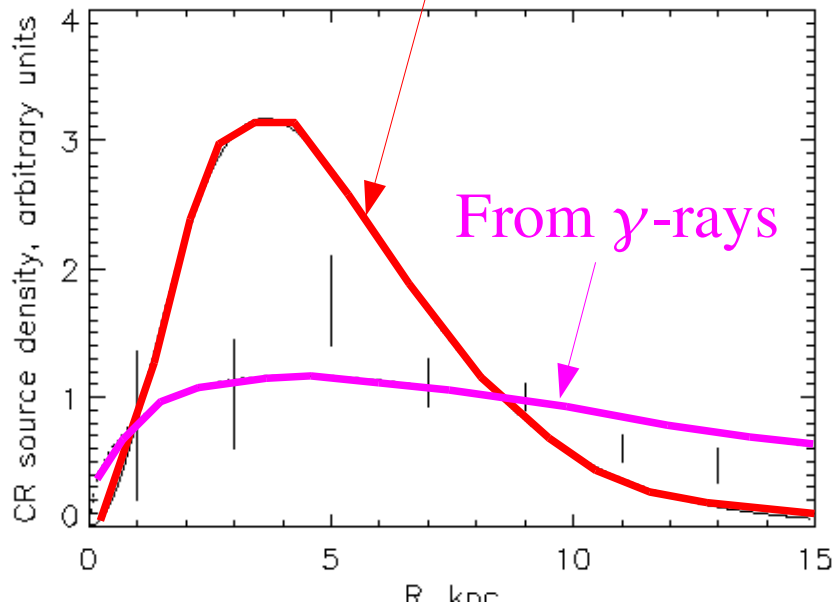


Yusifov & Küçük 2004  
(Lorimer 2004: almost same result)



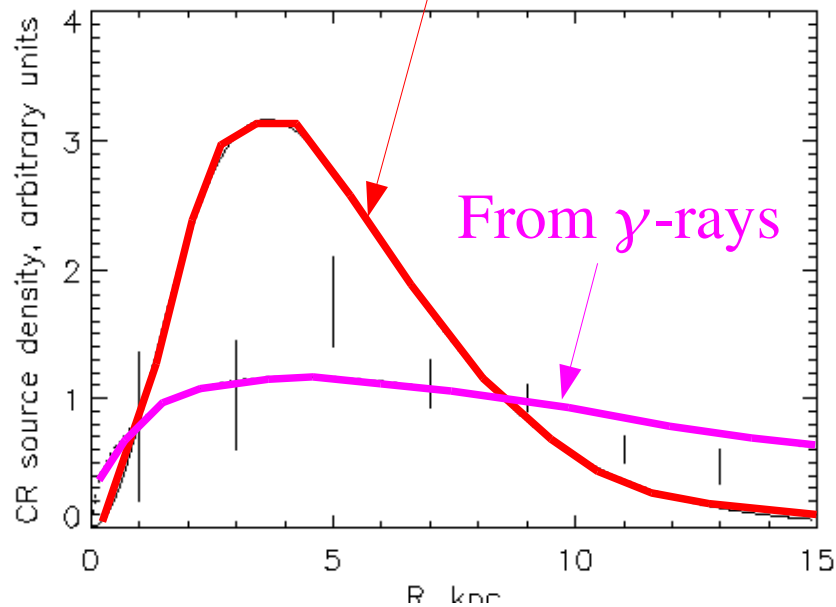
Old mystery of cosmic-ray gradient:  
gradient based on  $\gamma$ -rays much smaller than SNR gradient.

SNR (traced by latest pulsar surveys: Lorimer 2004)



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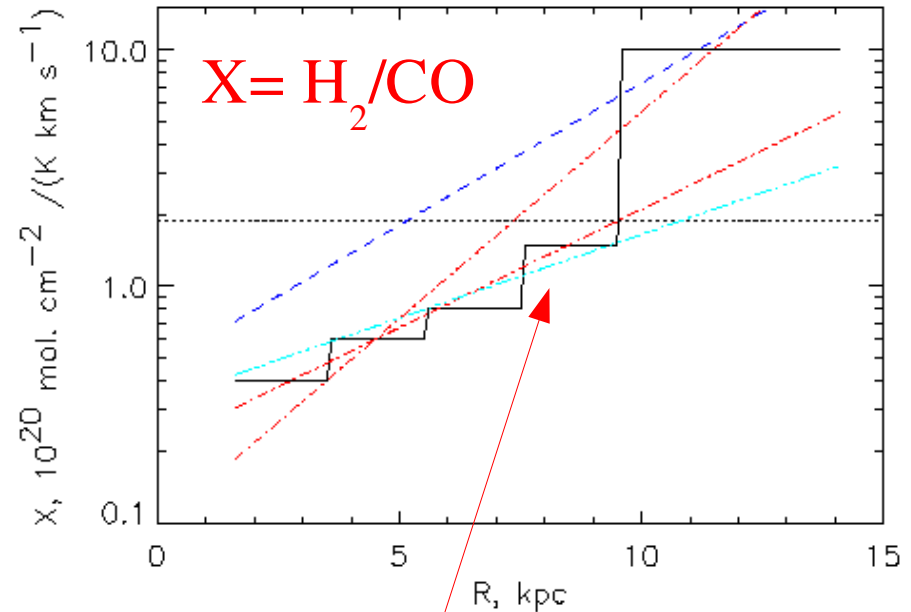
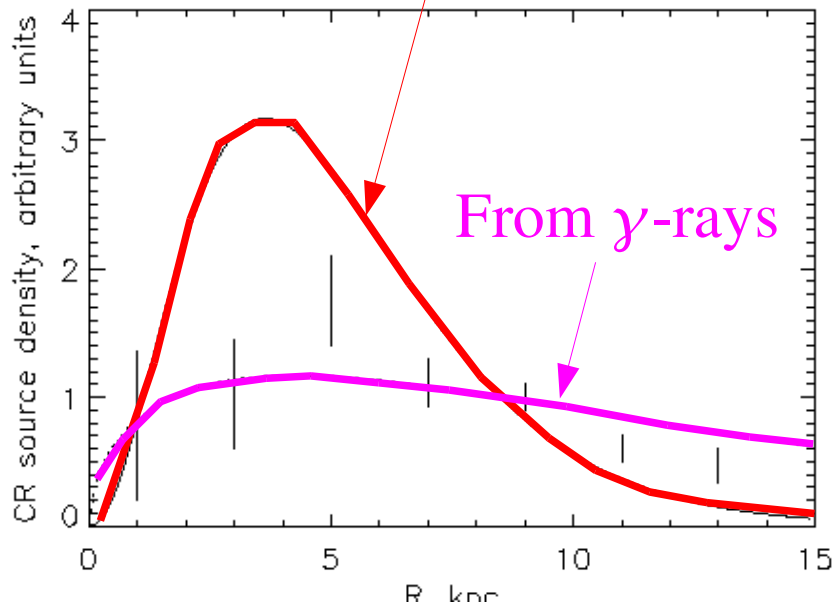


Clue: Galactic metallicity gradient e.g.  $[O/H]$

*metallicity decreases with  $R$ ,  $X = H_2 / CO$  decreases with metallicity*

Old mystery of cosmic-ray gradient:  
gradient based on  $\gamma$ -rays much smaller than SNR gradient.

SNR (traced by latest pulsar surveys: Lorimer 2004)



Clue: Galactic metallicity gradient e.g. [O/H]

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***>>>>>>  $X = H_2 / CO$  increases with radius***

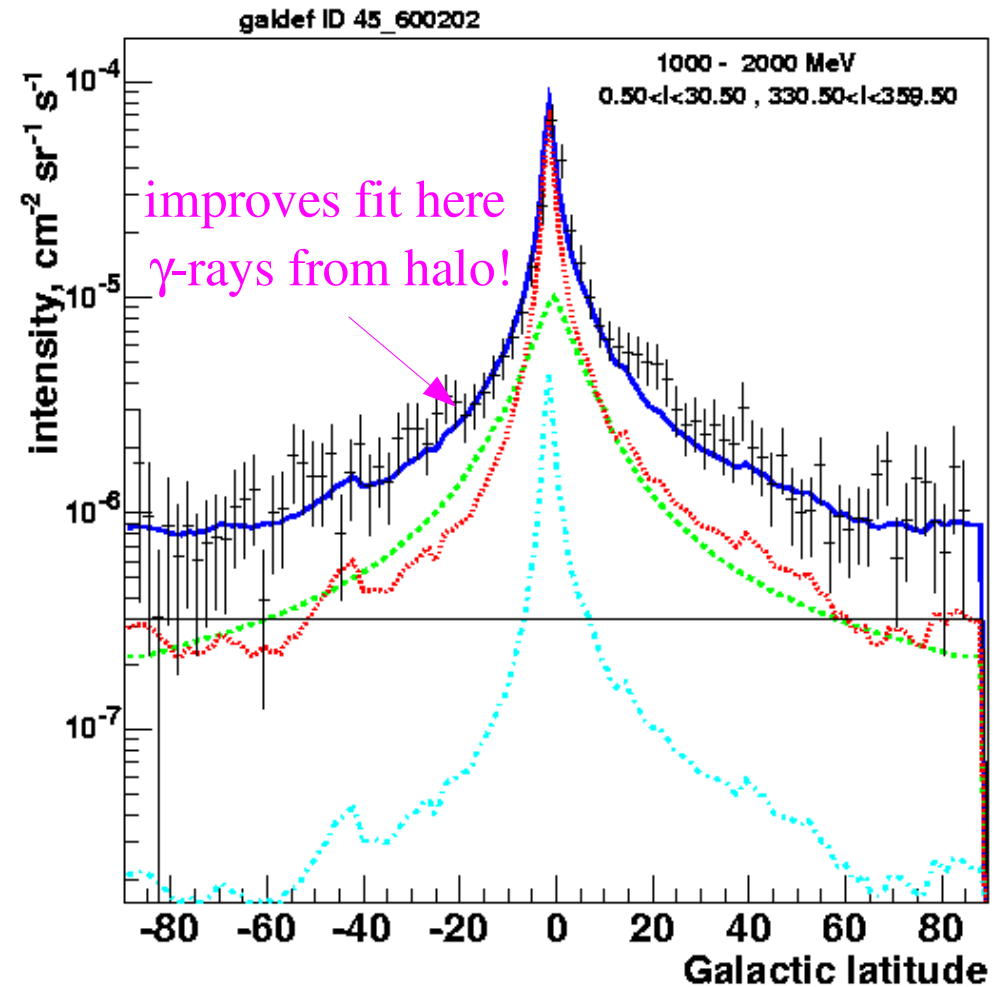
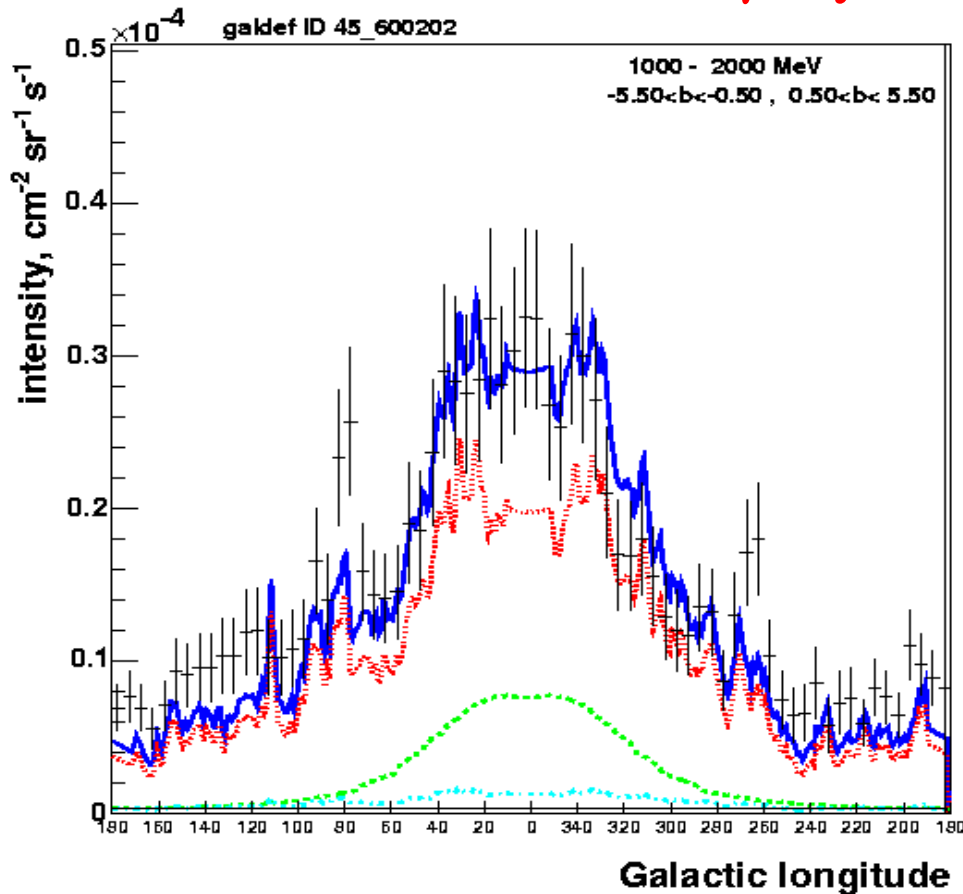
$\gamma$ -rays = sources(R) \* X(R) \* CO(R) (+ HI, inverse Compton terms)

Steeper sources \* flatter X = observed gamma-rays

*more info: astro-ph/0405275 A&A in press*

# Pulsar-SNR source distribution , $H_2/CO$ (R)

## EGRET $\gamma$ -ray data



Agrees with SNR distribution: supports SNR origin of cosmic rays

# Conclusions

1. diffusive reacceleration model works well – but not proven
2. halo height  $\sim 4$  kpc
3.  $\gamma$  - ray GeV excess caused by interstellar nucleon and electron spectra which are higher than directly measured
4. Bonus: predicts positrons & antiprotons correctly in reacceleration model !
5. SNR origin of CR consistent with EGRET data considering effect of metallicity gradient on  $H_2 / CO$   
→ better understanding of  $\gamma$ - ray / CR relation

## Outlook:

more physical input (e.g. this meeting ! ) for

B-field model

cosmic-ray propagation

truly self-consistent models

Use of *galprop* to test such models against all available data.

Near future: GLAST  $\gamma$  - ray observatory: 2007



Galprop formula

relevance to this conference: B, propagation, galprop code

what could be done together



# galprop model

2D / 3D / equilibrium / time dependent, stochastic sources

CR propagation: primary, secondary,  $e^+$ ,  $p^-$  etc.

Injection -- diffusion -- convection -- energy-loss -- reacceleration

$\gamma$ - rays : using HI, CO, interstellar radiation field

