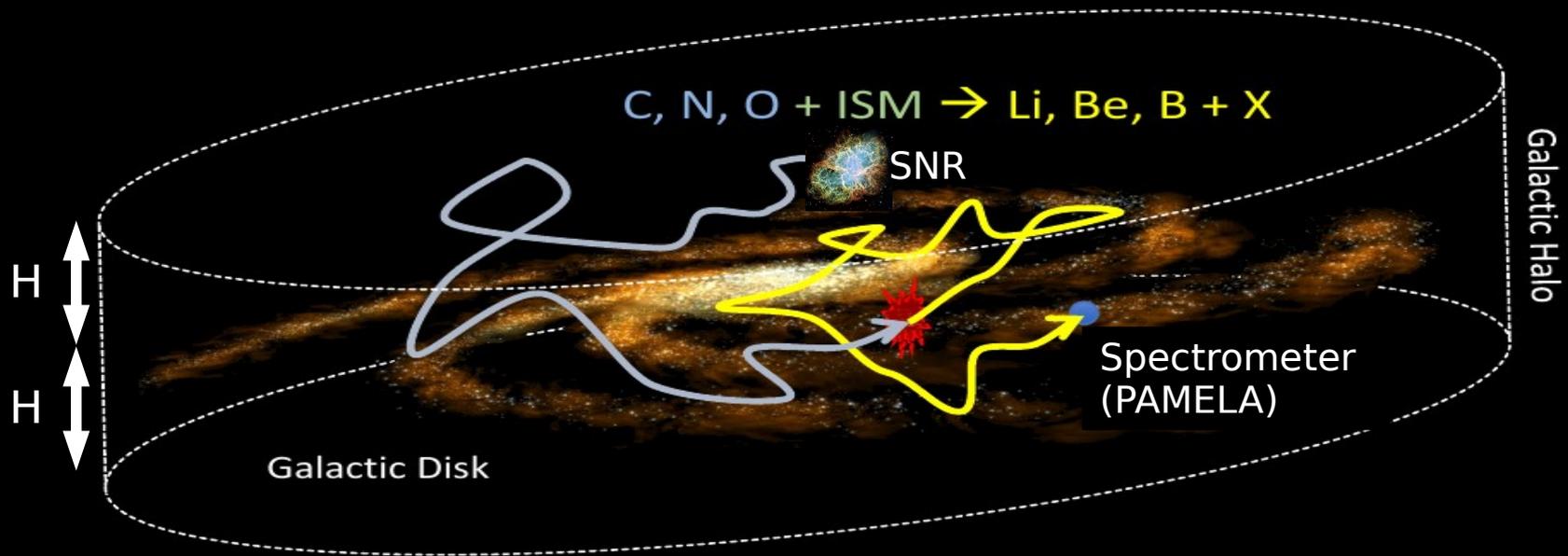


A Data Driven approach for the measurement of $^{10}\text{Be}/^9\text{Be}$ in Cosmic Rays with magnetic spectrometers

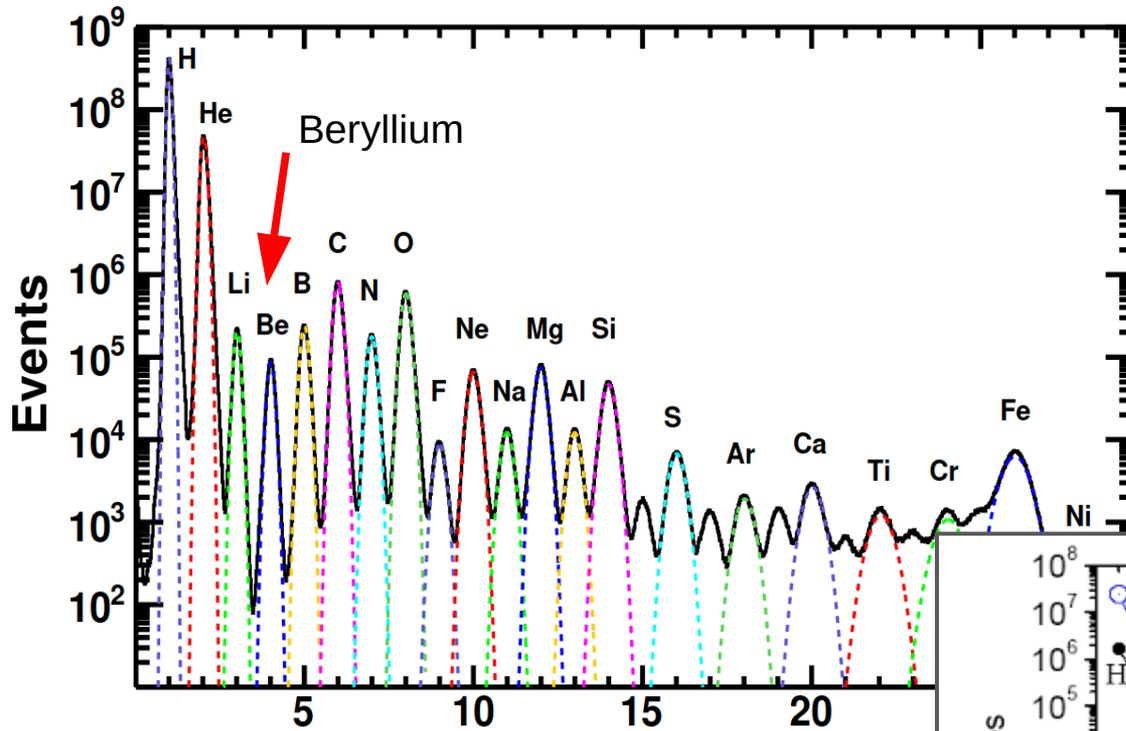
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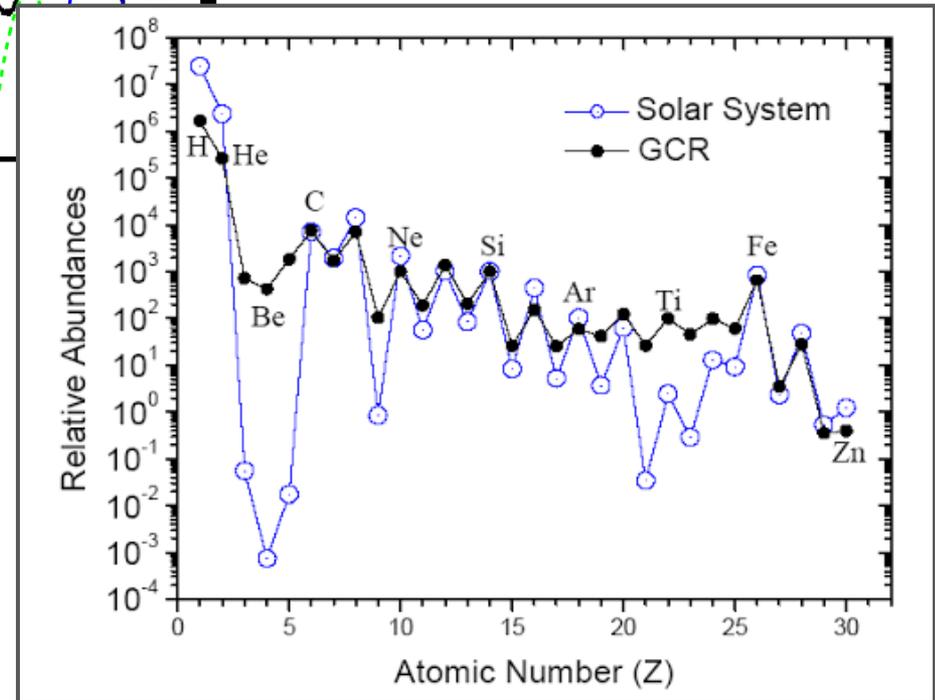
Beryllium in cosmic rays



- Beryllium amount is very small in CR
- Why do we interest in it?

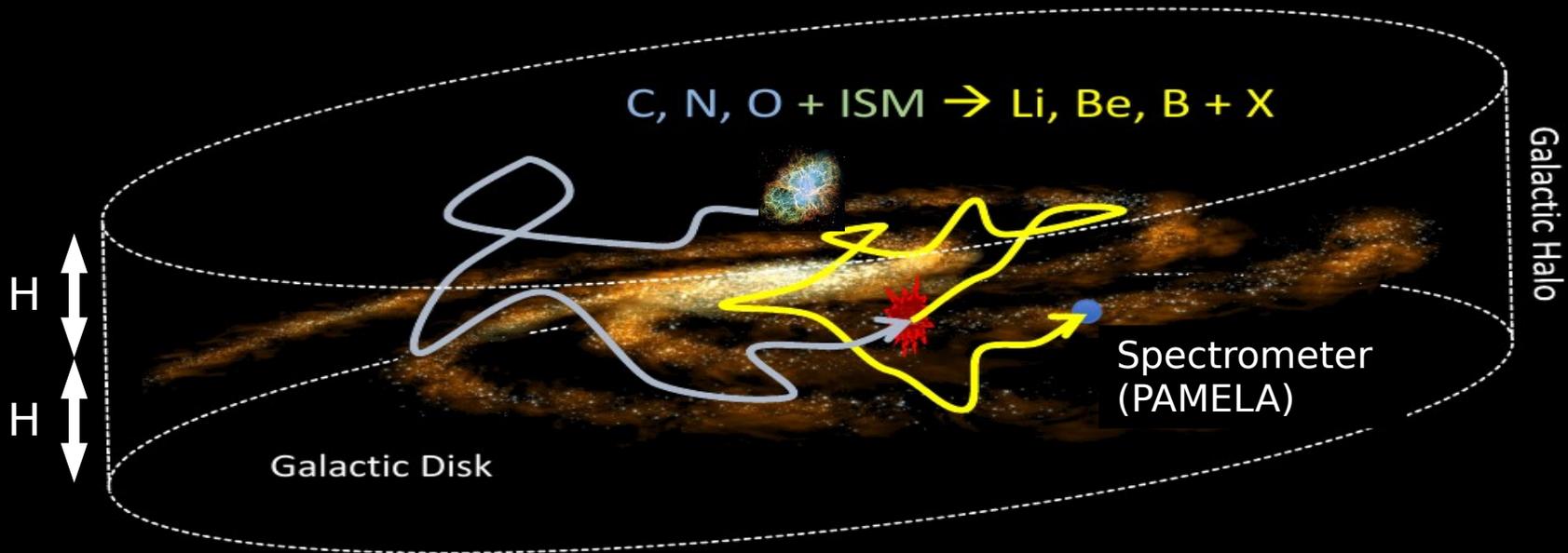
Beryllium (Li and B) are not produced in Stellar-Nucleo-Synthesis

Why they are so “abundant” in CR?



Secondary nuclei in CR

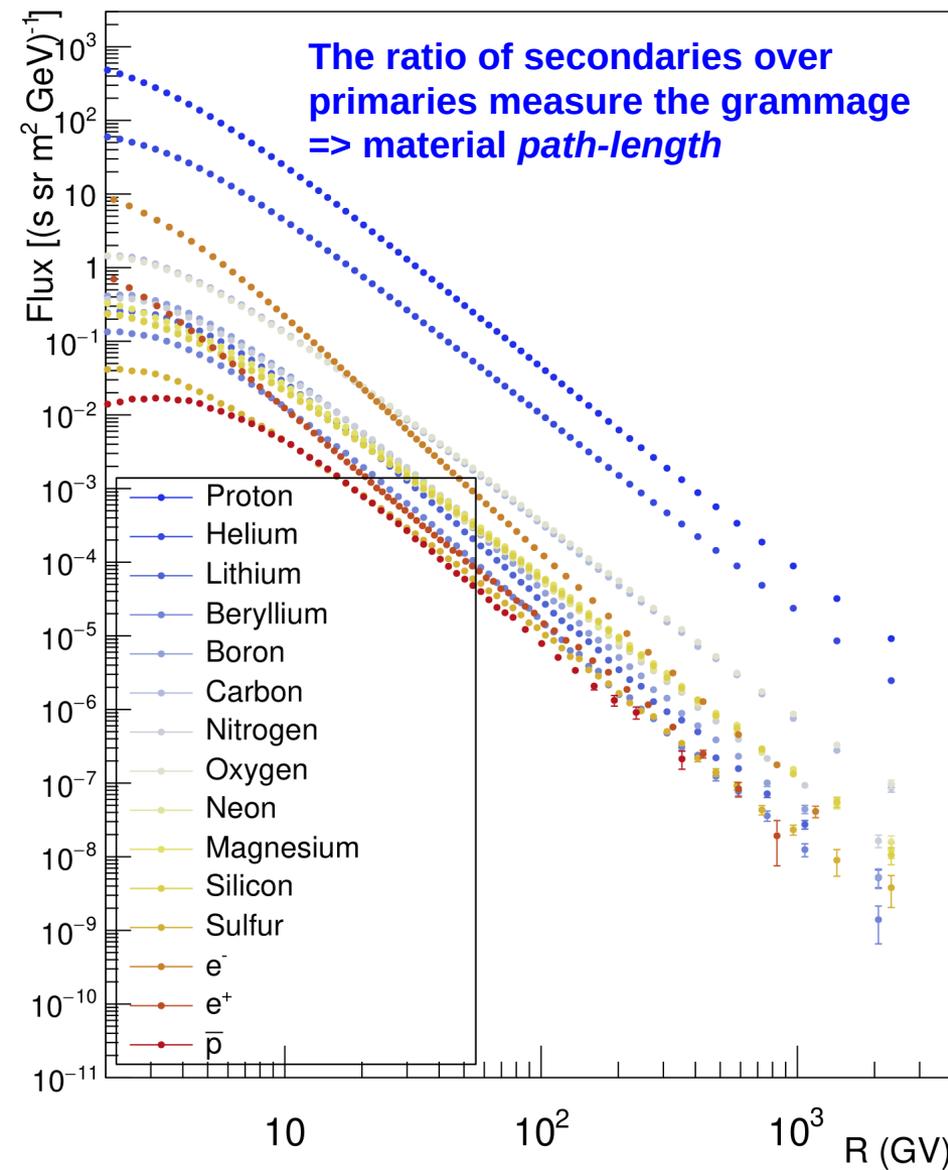
Secondary CR are produced from collisions of **primary CR** with the **interStellar medium (ISM)**



The fluxes of the secondary species are very important for the understanding of the origin and propagation of cosmic rays

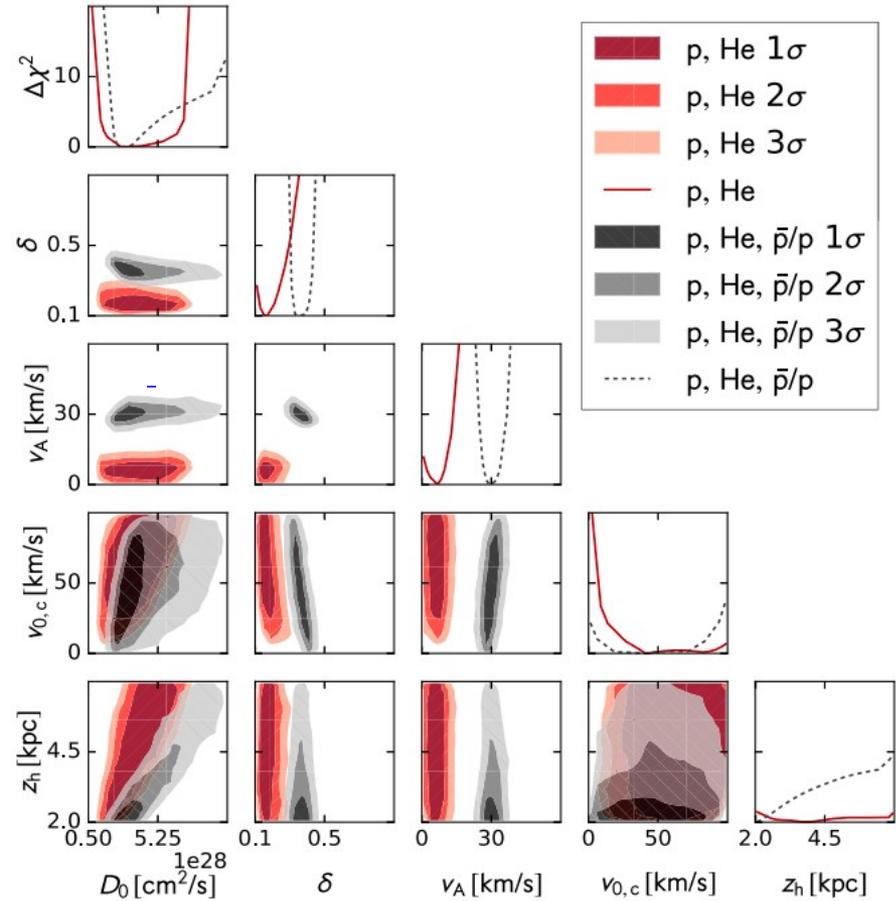
- They carry information on the history of the travel and **properties of ISM,**
- Most abundant species: **Li, Be, B and light isotopes (³He and D)**

Cosmic Ray Propagation parameters

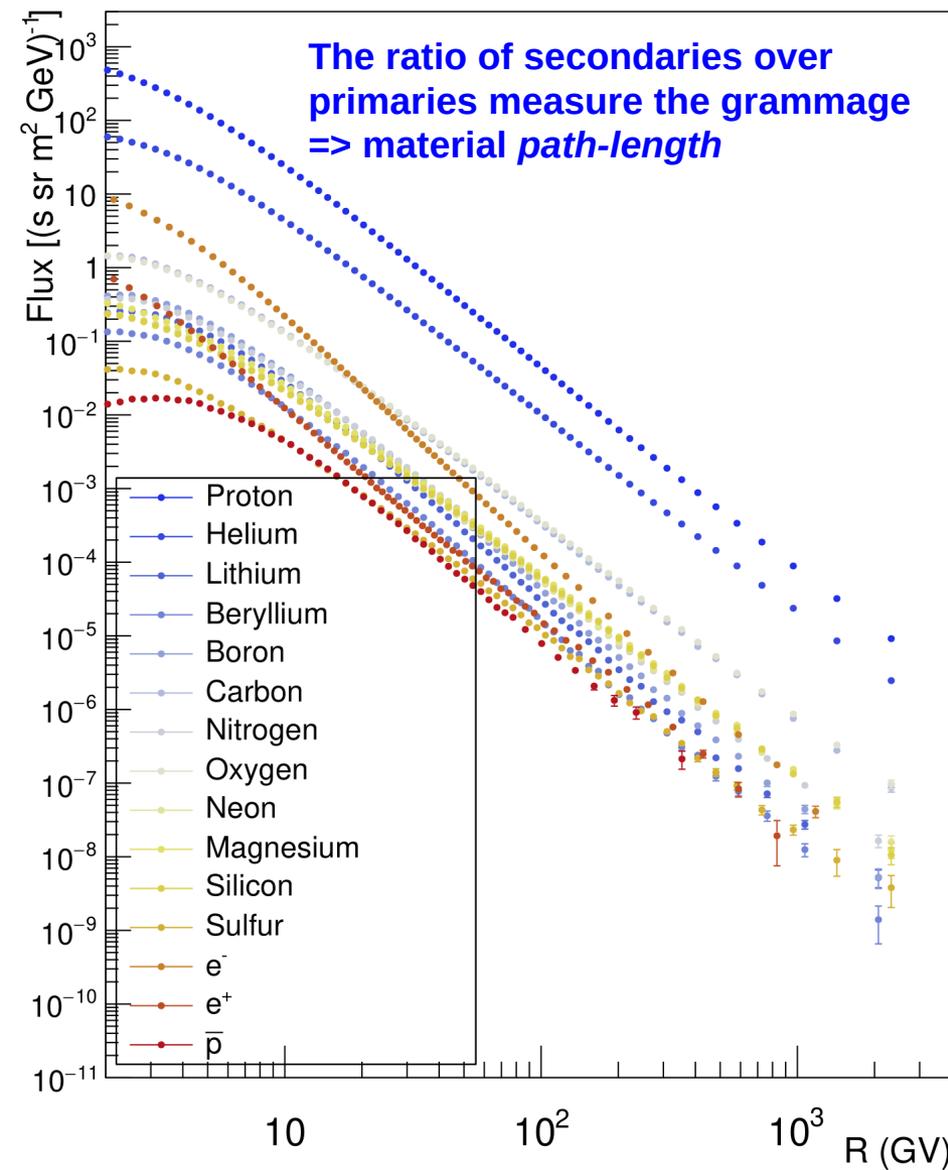


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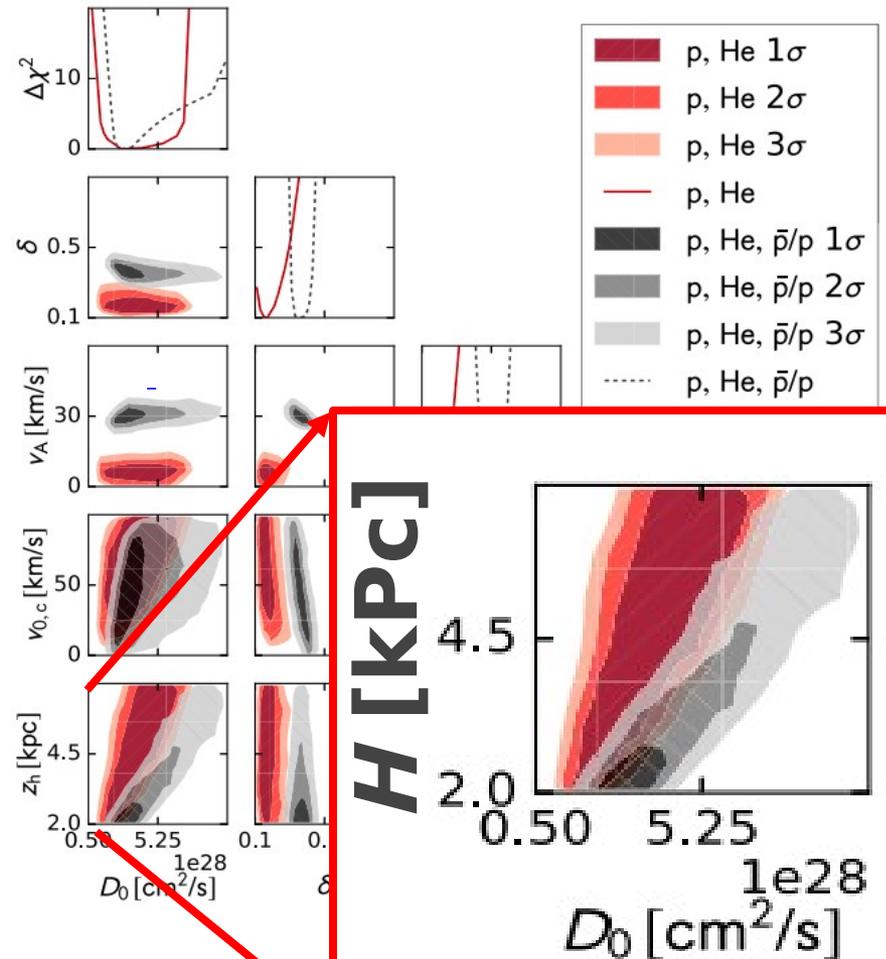


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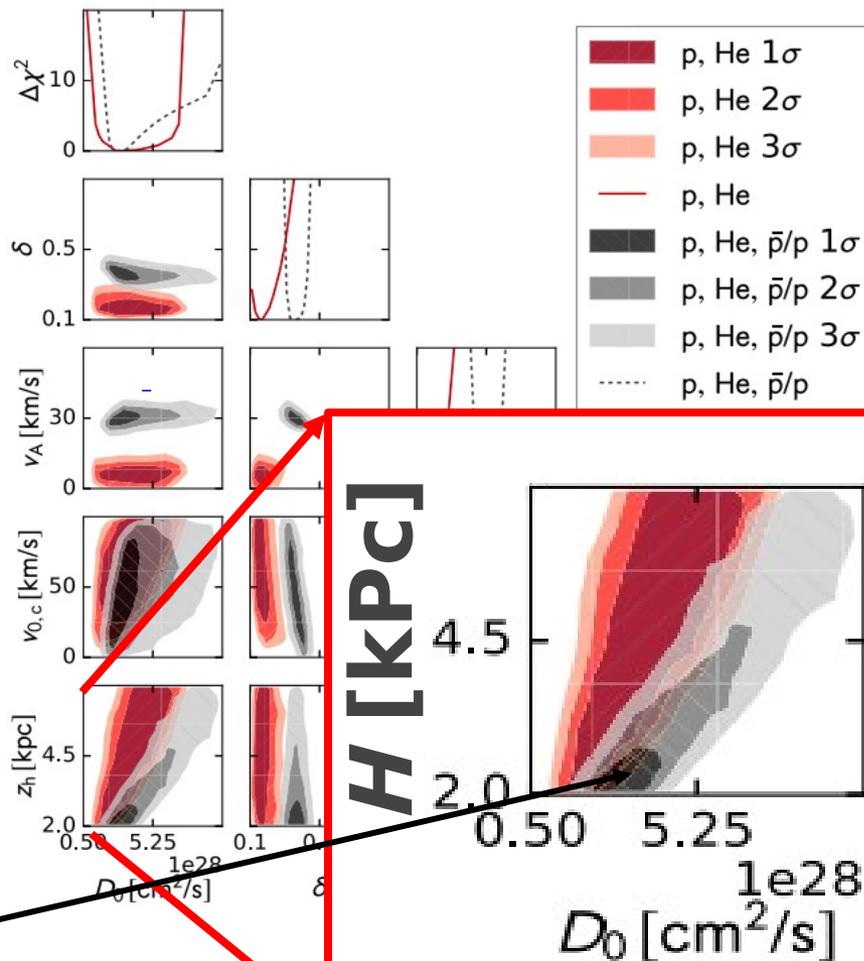
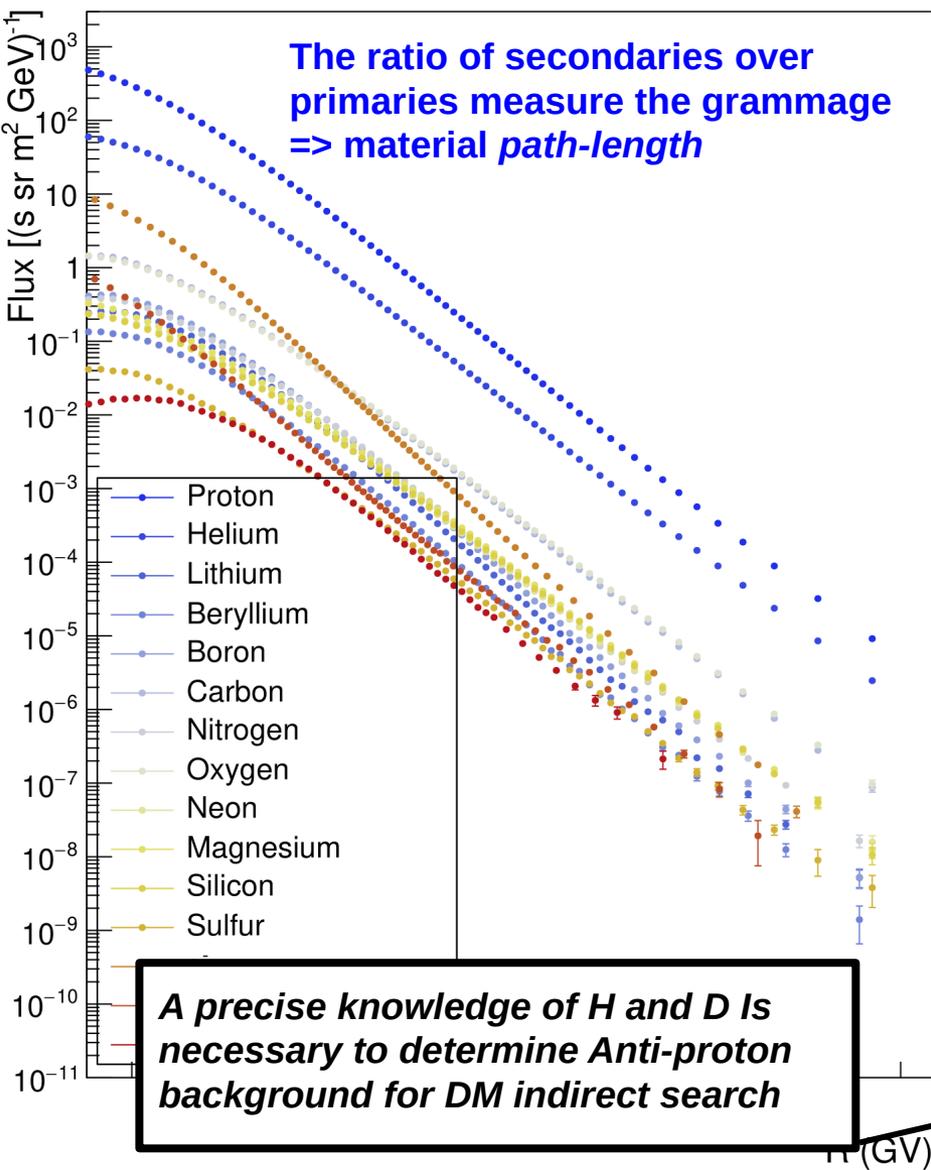
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Radioactive Cosmic Rays

Radioactive isotopes are sensitive to CR residence time in the Galaxy.
Used as cosmic clocks, they constrain H^2/D solving the existing H/D degeneracy.

^{10}Be ($T_{1/2}=1.39\text{My}$) ^{26}Al ($T_{1/2}=0.72\text{My}$) ^{36}Cl ($T_{1/2}=0.30\text{My}$) ^{53}Mg ($T_{1/2}=3.74\text{My}$) ^{60}Fe ($T_{1/2}=2.6\text{My}$)

Among them Beryllium is the most promising for isotope separation at high energy

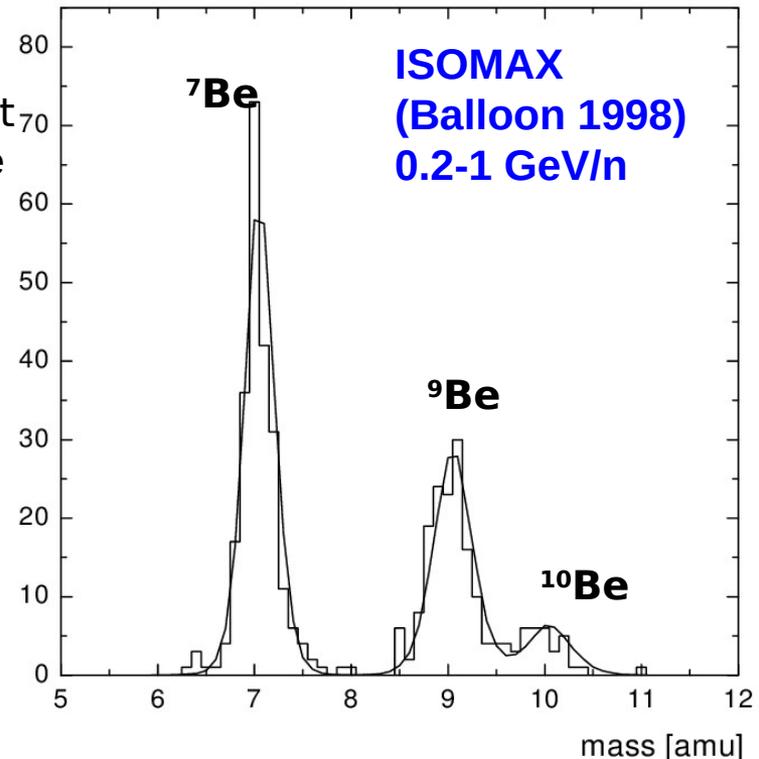
Be isotope composition in CR:

- ^7Be decays through e^- capture, on Earth it has a $T_{1/2} \sim 55$ days, but it's stable in CR because is totally ionized
- ^9Be is stable
- ^{10}Be is β -unstable: $T_{1/2} = 1.39$ My



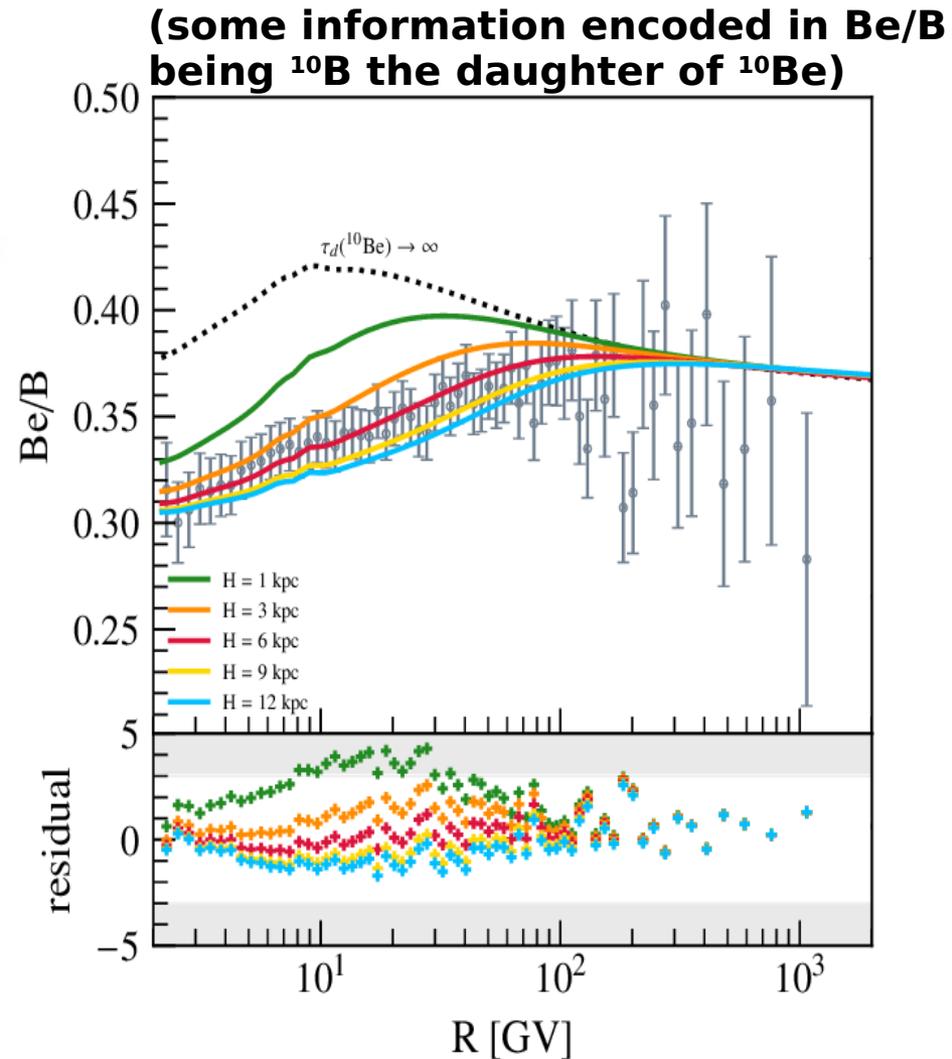
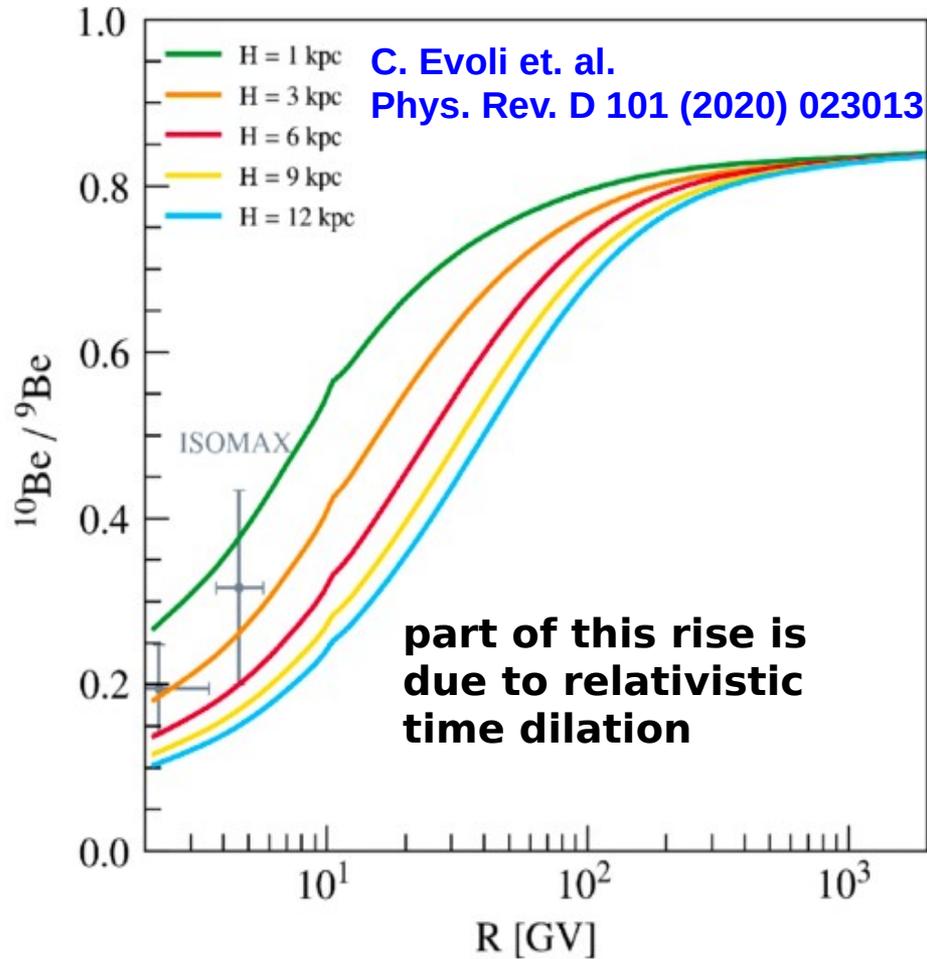
NOTE:

^8Be ($T_{1/2} \sim 8 \times 10^{-17}$ s) "hole" is very useful for THIS measurement



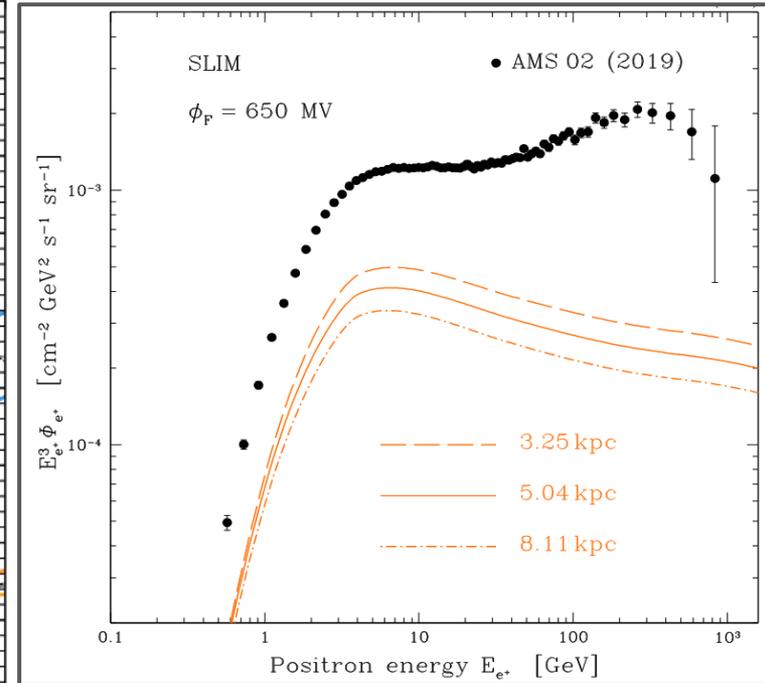
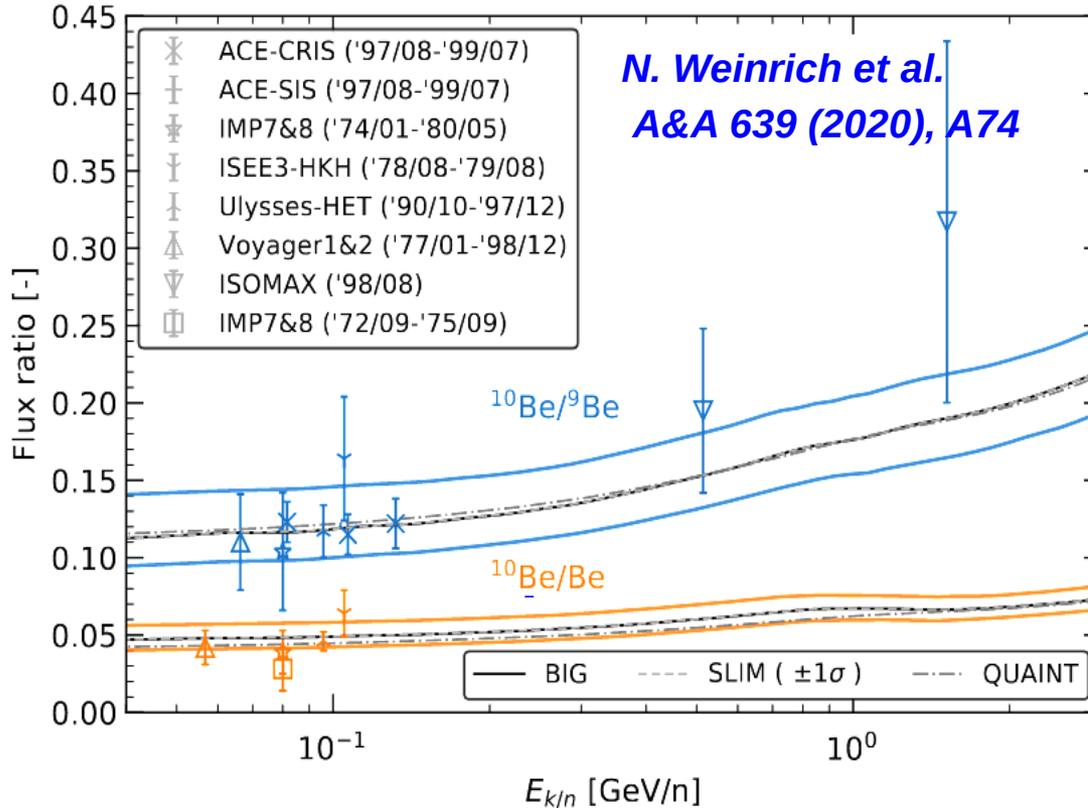
$^{10}\text{Be}/^9\text{Be}$ sensitive to the halo thickness \Rightarrow can remove the H/D degeneracy

- but current measurements are:**
- affected by large uncertainties
 - limited to low energies



^{10}B status and impact on antimatter background

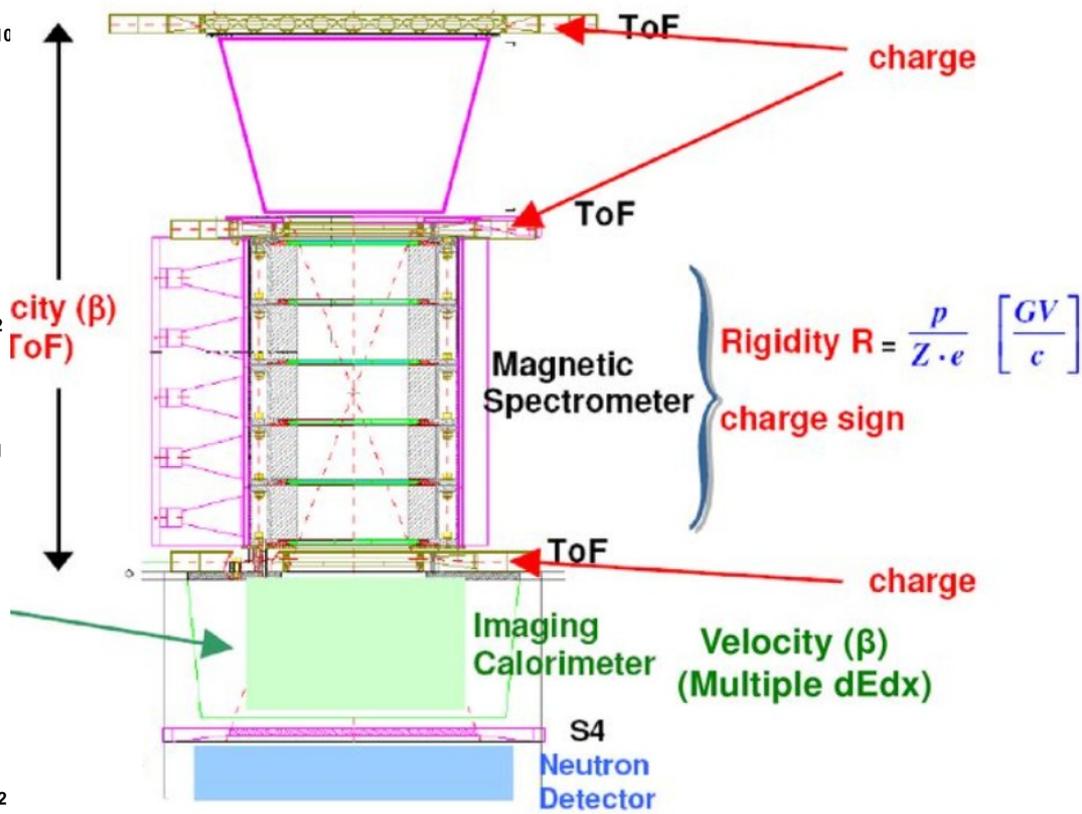
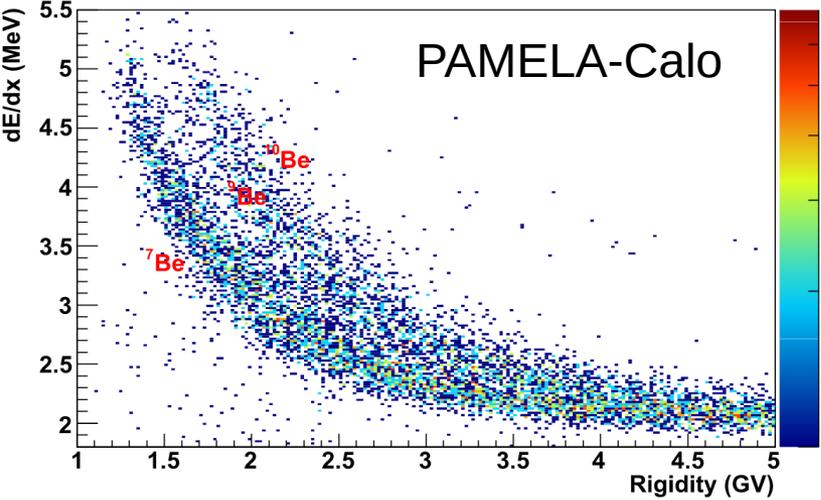
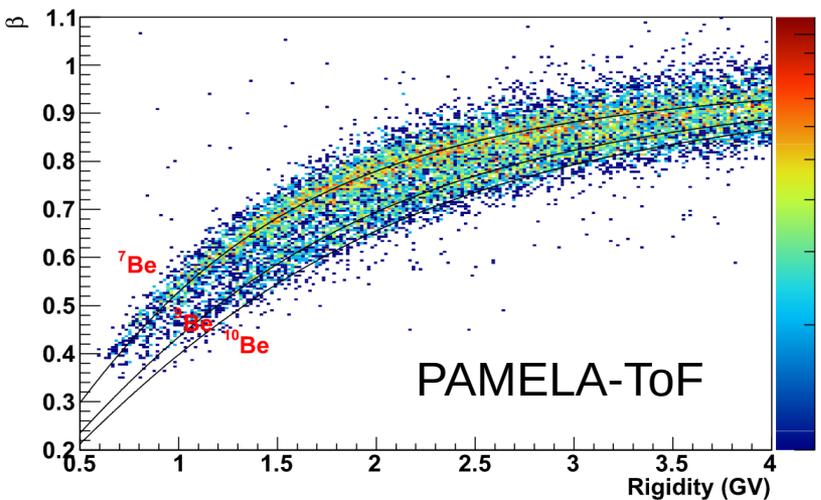
AMS-02 data Li/C B/C and Be/B used to tune USINE
(semi analytical propagation model)



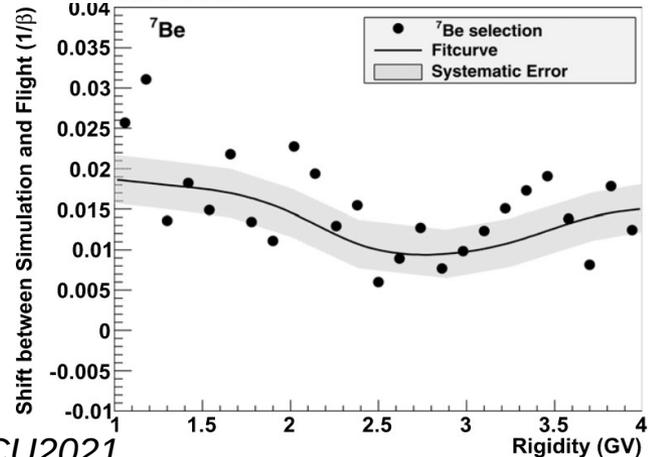
$^{10}\text{Be}/^9\text{Be}$ can be predicted by model with uncertainties much larger than the direct measurement obtained by MAGNETIC SPECTROMETERS in SPACE

Example of the impact of uncertainty in halo thickness parameter H , on the expected secondary positron flux. An improved knowledge of H will help in the study of the unknown Positron source (Pulsar, DM, ... ?)

Example: Beryllium measured by PAMELA Spectrometer



W. Menn et. al.
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Due to a **NON-perfect Monte-Carlo simulation** \longleftrightarrow
 PAMELA was **not able to measure ${}^{10}\text{Be}/{}^9\text{Be}$**
 but only the complementary ${}^7\text{Be}/({}^9\text{Be}+{}^{10}\text{Be})$

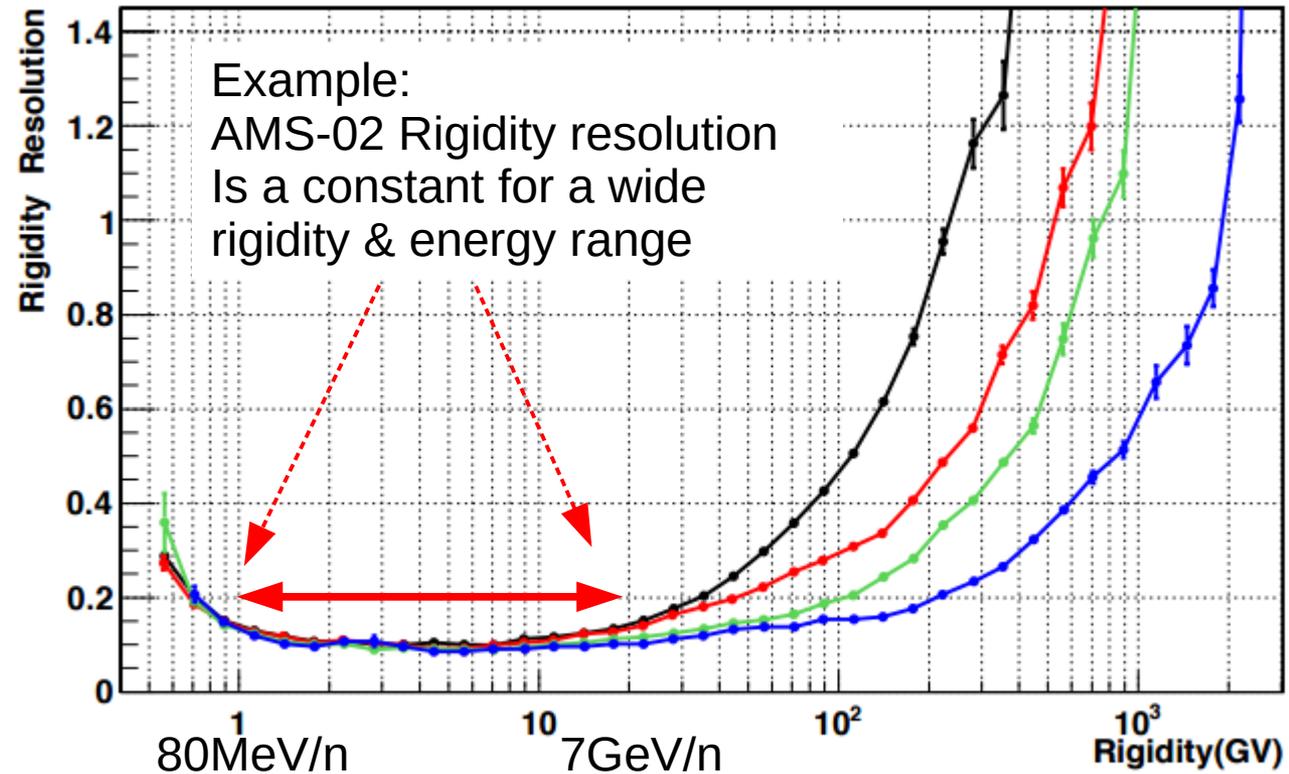
The mass resolution in magnetic spectrometers

$$\frac{\delta M}{M} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\delta R}{R}\right)^2 + \gamma^4 \left(\frac{\delta \beta}{\beta}\right)^2}$$

This term is constant for fixed β
(i.e. within the same E_k/n bin)

This term is dominated by Multiple Coulomb Scattering
i.e. is constant in a wide kinetic energy range

therefore:
the mass resolution
is
 \Rightarrow CONSTANT \Leftarrow
(for a fixed E_k/n)

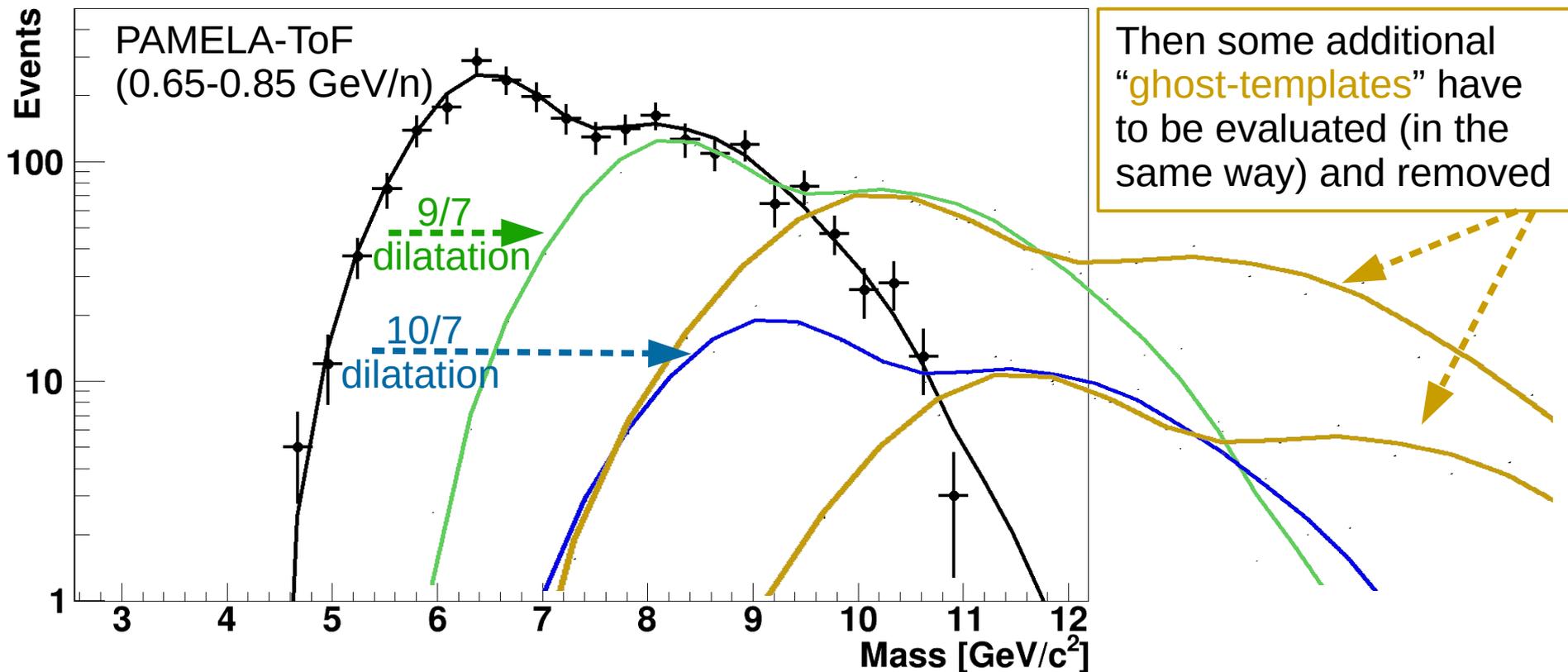


... this allows to get rid of Monte Carlo predictions of the isotope mass distributions ...

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A self-consistent approach to extract isotope mass distributions from data itself.
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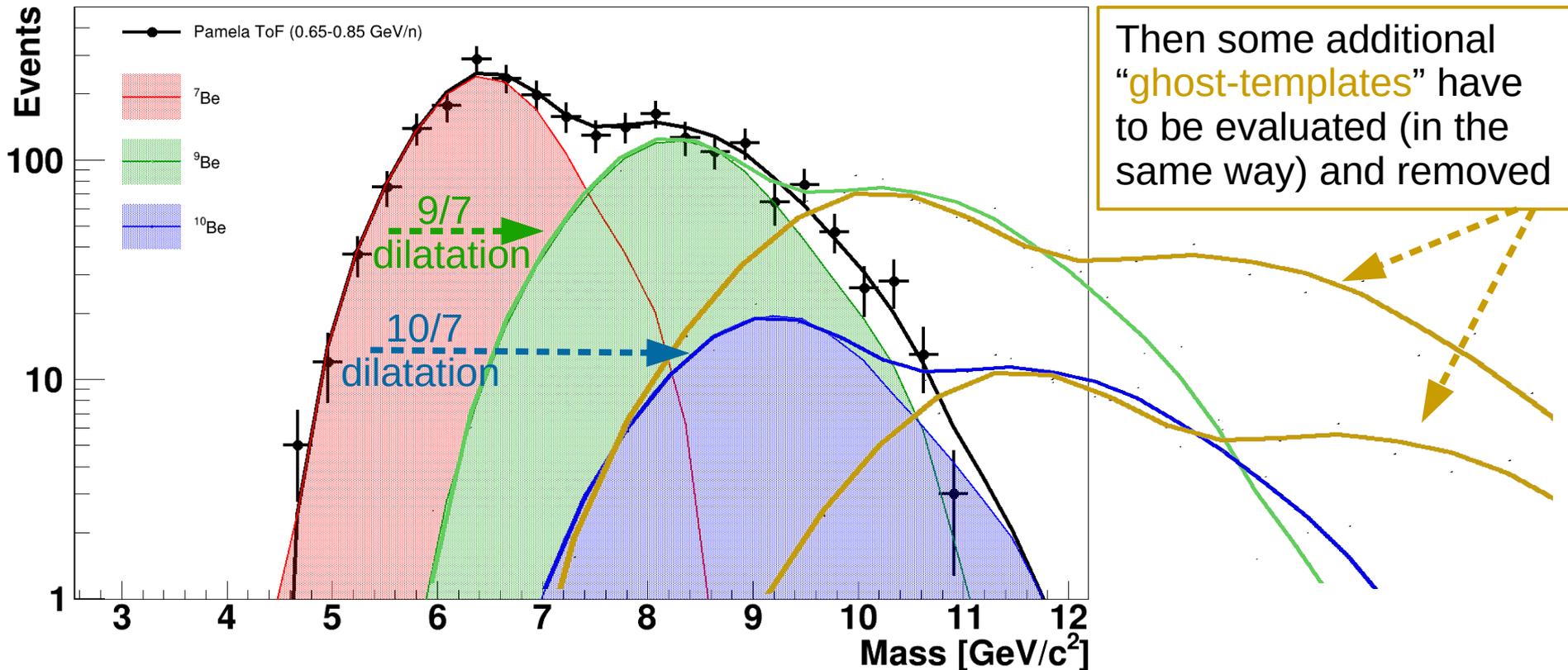
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The “Data Driven” approach (all the boring Math)

A 3x3 equation system of the unknown “templates”: T_7, T_9, T_{10} (fixing isotopic fractions f_x)



$$D(x) = f_7 T_7 + f_9 T_9 + f_{10} T_{10} \quad \Rightarrow \text{Measured mass distribution}$$

$$A_{7,9} D(x) = f_7 T_9 + f_9 A_{7,9} T_9 + f_{10} A_{7,9} T_{10} \quad \Rightarrow A_{7,9} \text{ known dilatation (7} \Rightarrow 9)$$

$$A_{7,10} D(x) = f_7 T_{10} + f_9 A_{7,10} T_9 + f_{10} A_{7,10} T_{10} \quad \Rightarrow \text{known dilatation (7} \Rightarrow 10)$$

Can be solved iteratively knowing that $f_7 > f_9 > f_{10}$:

$$T_7 = \frac{1}{f_7} \left[D - \frac{f_9}{f_7} A_{7,9} D - \frac{f_{10}}{f_7} A_{7,10} D \right] + \quad (\text{main and “known” quantities})$$

$$+ \frac{f_9 f_9}{f_7^2} T_{G1} + \frac{f_9 f_{10}}{f_7^2} T_{G2} + \frac{f_{10} f_9}{f_7^2} T_{G3} + \frac{f_{10} f_{10}}{f_7^2} T_{G4} \quad (\text{small corrections: “ghost”})$$

$$T_{G1} = A_{7,9} T_9 \simeq L_{7,x_{G1}} T_7 \quad @ \quad 11.5 \text{ amu}$$

$$T_{G2} = A_{7,9} T_{10} \simeq L_{7,x_{G2}} T_7 \quad @ \quad 13 \text{ amu}$$

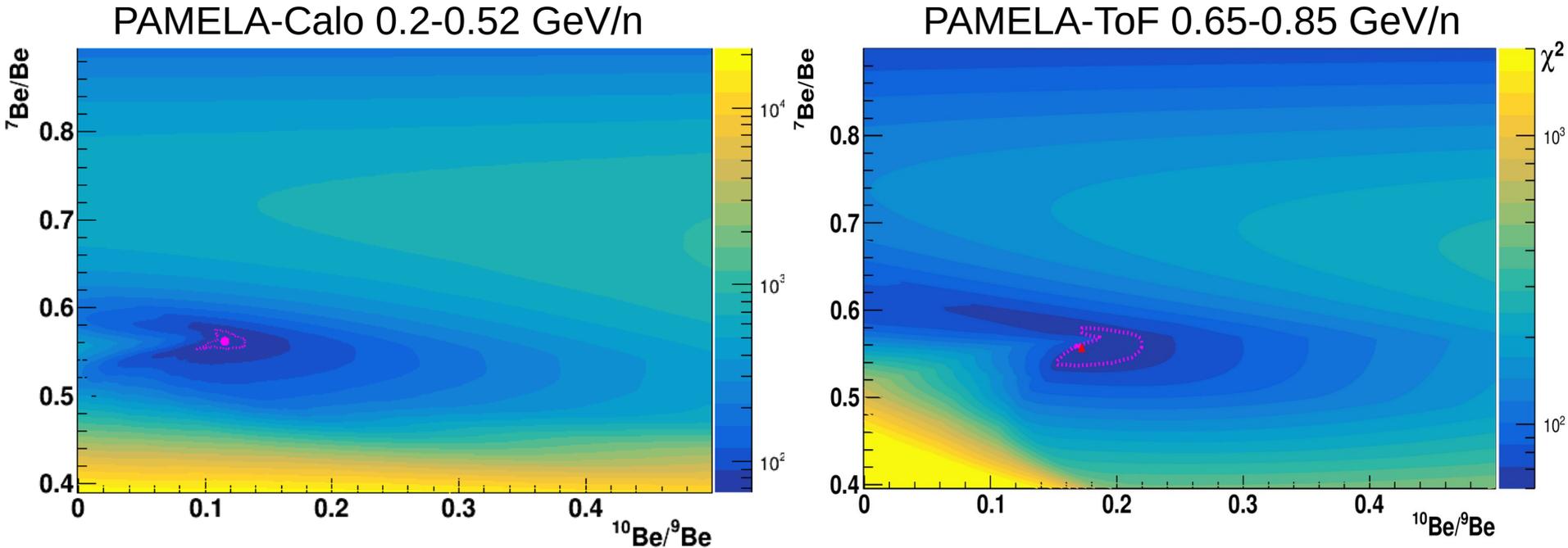
$$T_{G3} = A_{7,10} T_9 \simeq L_{7,x_{G3}} T_7 \quad @ \quad 13 \text{ amu}$$

$$T_{G4} = A_{7,10} T_{10} \simeq L_{7,x_{G4}} T_7 \quad @ \quad 14 \text{ amu}$$

“ghost” templates are small corrections of the tail of T_7 and are “far” (placed above T_{10})

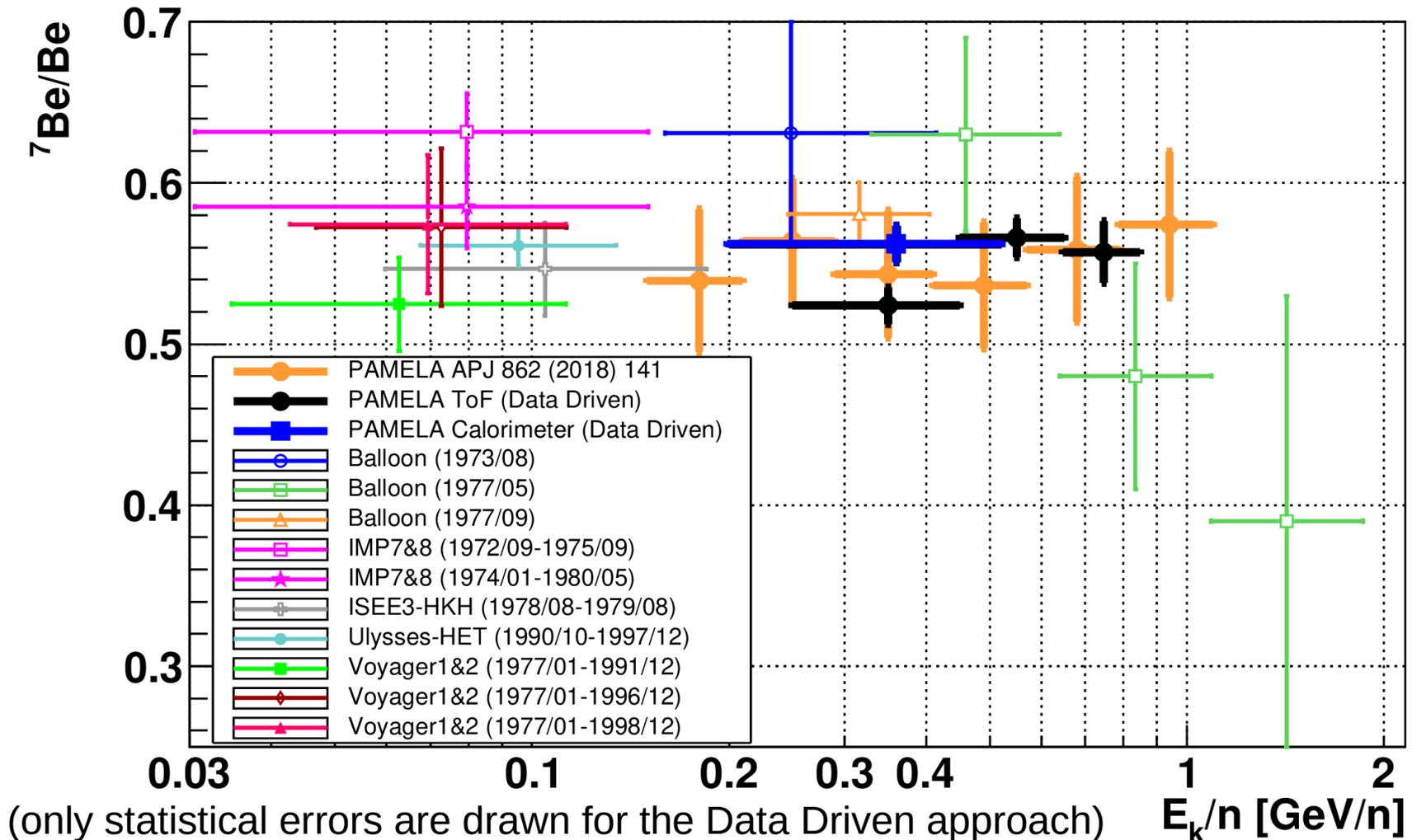
The map of χ^2 configurations

A χ^2 value can be evaluated for each configuration in the plane $\langle f_7$ and $f_{10}/f_9 \rangle$ leading to a 2D confidence interval of the physical minimum.



statistical bootstrap performed to treat the naive un-physical solutions: $f_7=1$, $f_9=1$, $f_{10}=1$ (characterized by a null χ^2 value) this is a detail important only for scarce statistics.

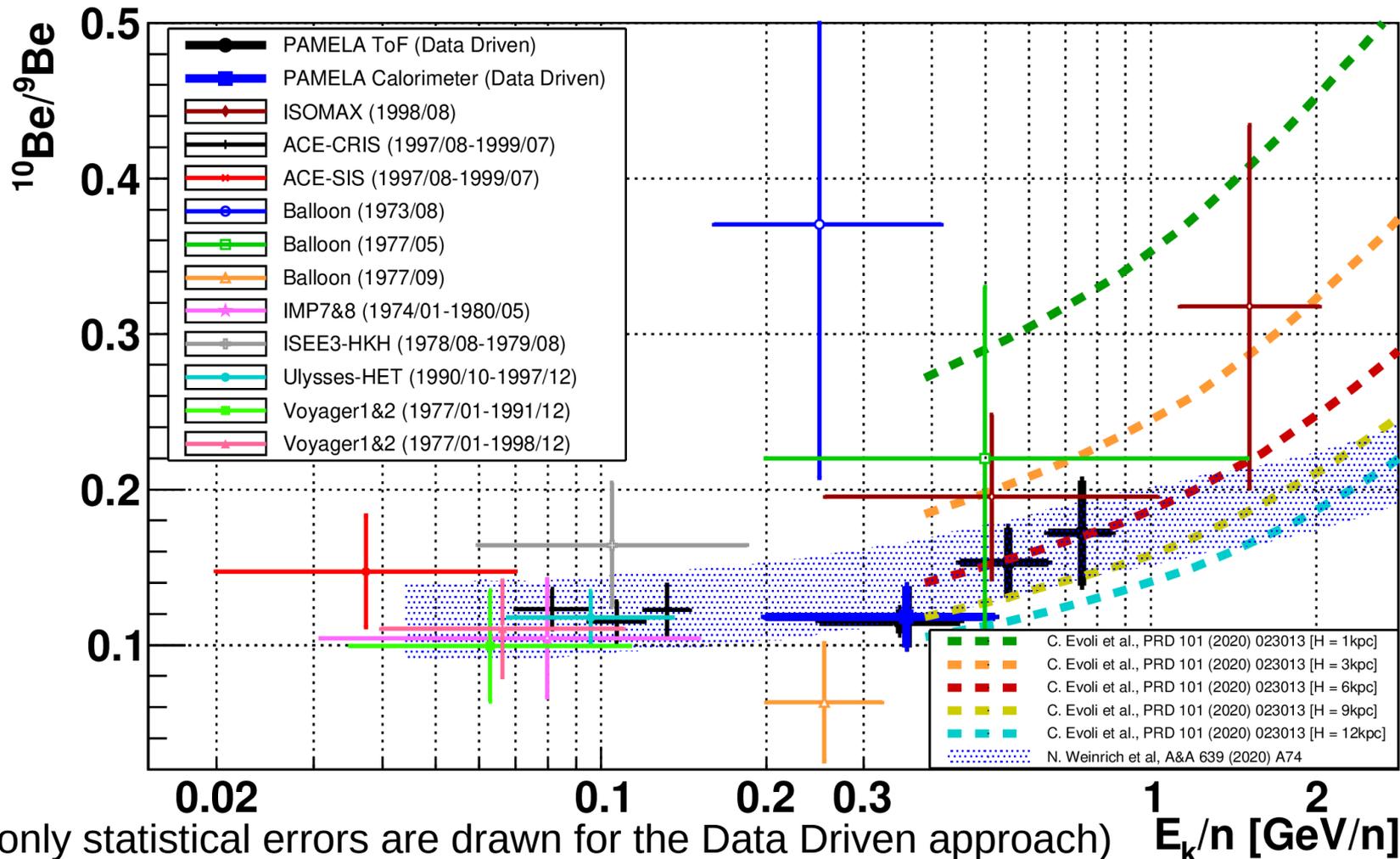
Comparison with previous measurements $^7\text{Be}/\text{Be}$



-Data Driven results for PAMELA-ToF and PAMELA-Calo are in reasonable agreement

-Both are compatible with published (MC based) PAMELA result.

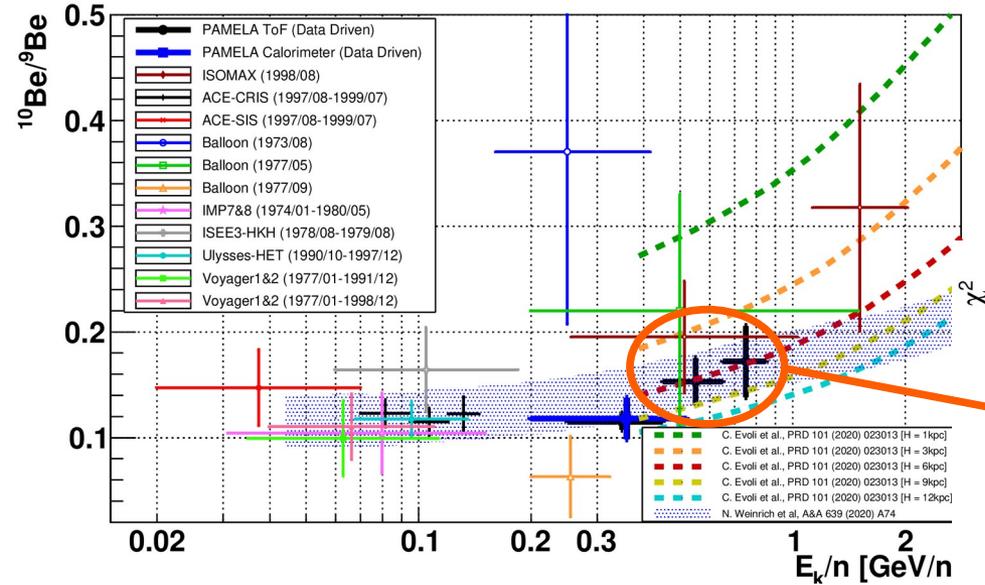
a “new” measurement for $^{10}\text{Be}/^9\text{Be}$



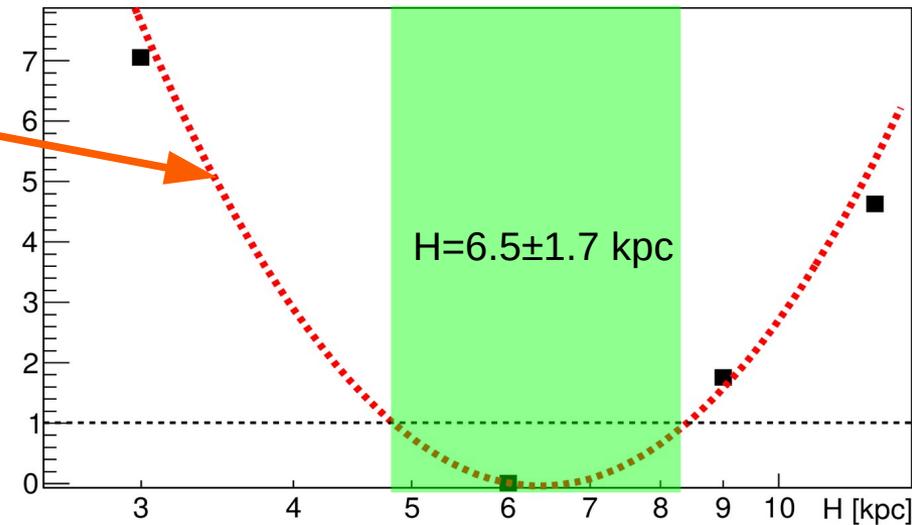
-Data Driven results for PAMELA improves our knowledge of $^{10}\text{Be}/^9\text{Be}$ at “high-Energy”

-Compatibility with theoretical expectations

Example of the Impact on Halo thickness measurement



Example: assuming the model of C. Evoli
[Phys. Rev. D 101 (2020) 023013]
fitting the sub-range 0.45-0.85 GeV/n



The comparison of $^{10}\text{Be}/^9\text{Be}$ (and the complementary $^7\text{Be}/\text{Be}$) with theory models (once tuned accounting for these measured ratios) will provide a $\sim 25\%$ precision measurement for H parameter that is currently affected by large uncertainties.

conclusions

Be isotopic composition is a key quantity to improve CR propagation models

^{10}Be is subdominant, its measurement requires a very good MC simulation

The very good Beryllium data collected by PAMELA experiment has not provided the important $^{10}\text{Be}/^9\text{Be}$ measurement because of a not perfect MC simulation

Developed a “Data Driven” approach to measure $^{10}\text{Be}/^9\text{Be}$ without the use of MC

Application of “Data Driven” analysis to Beryllium events collected by PAMELA allows a new measurement of $^{10}\text{Be}/^9\text{Be}$ in the range 0.2-0.85 GeV/n

This measurement is in agreement with theoretical expectations and allows the reduction of uncertainties in CR propagation parameters

The “Data Driven” approach is promising for a complete analysis of PAMELA data and for the forthcoming isotopic measurements of Be with AMS and HELIX