



# Cosmic ray backgrounds in dark matter searches



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# Concluding remarks

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- Will not go through and summarize all talks
- Instead, I will just mention a few items, as most issues have been discussed extensively already



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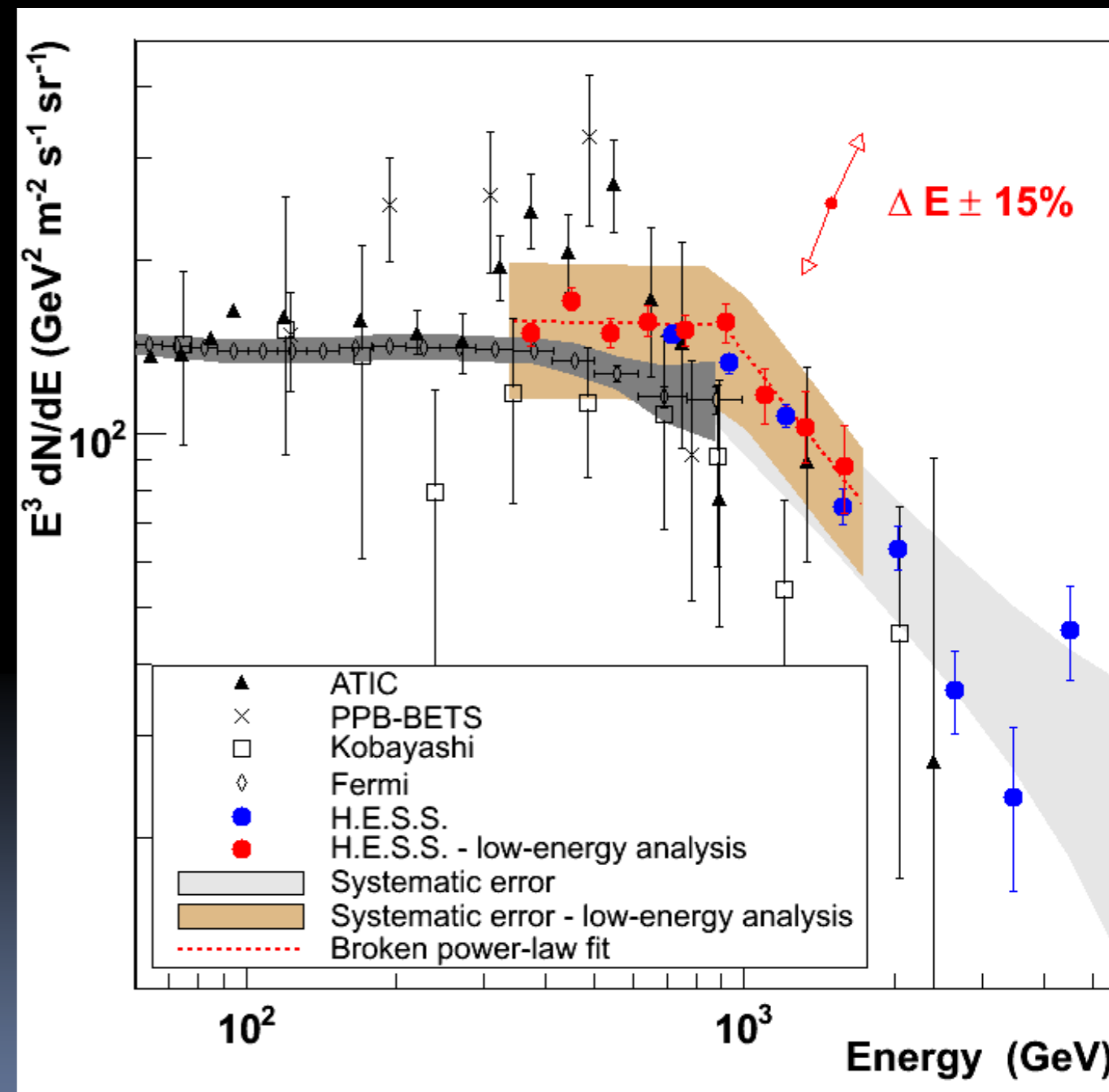
## Data

- Many interesting new measurements
- And more to come
- Reasonable agreement between the different experiments

# The H.E.S.S. Electron Spectrum

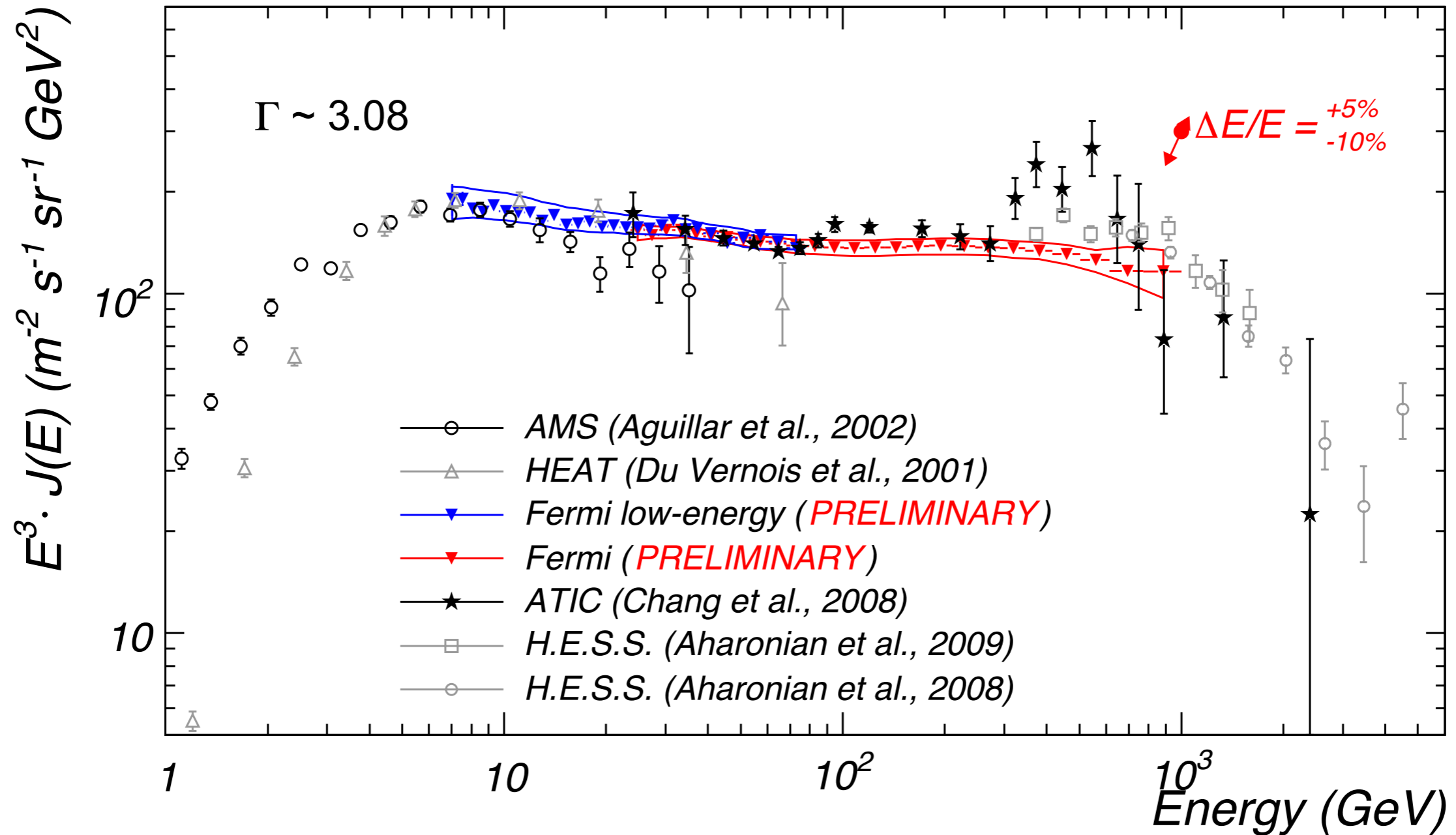
## High energies (blue)

- Cuts:
  - impact distance < 200 m
  - image size in each camera > 200 photo electrons
- Spectral index:  
 $3.9 \pm 0.1_{\text{stat.}} \pm 0.3_{\text{syst}}$
- Syst. uncertainty: atmospheric variations + model dependence of proton simulations (SIBYLL vs. QGSJET-II)
- H.E.S.S. energy scale uncertainty of 15%



F. A. Aharonian et al., A&A, 508 (2) 561 (2009)

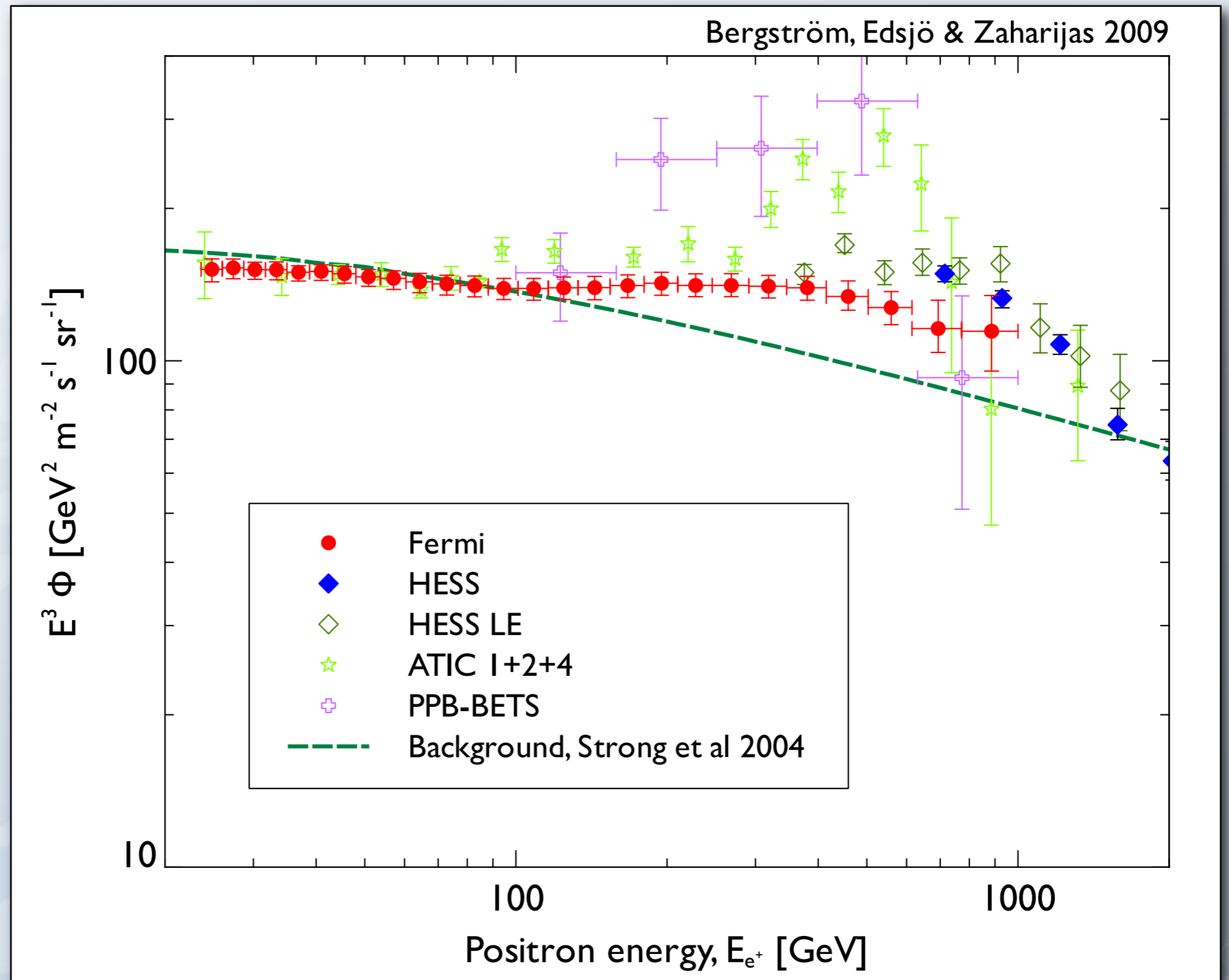
# The Fermi CRE spectrum as of Nov. 2009



# Data and background - $e^+ + e^-$

● Status as of May 2009 with

- Fermi-LAT, 2009
- HESS 2008
- HESS LE 2009
- PPB-BETS 2008
- ATIC 1+2+4 2009
- Conventional background, Strong et al 2004

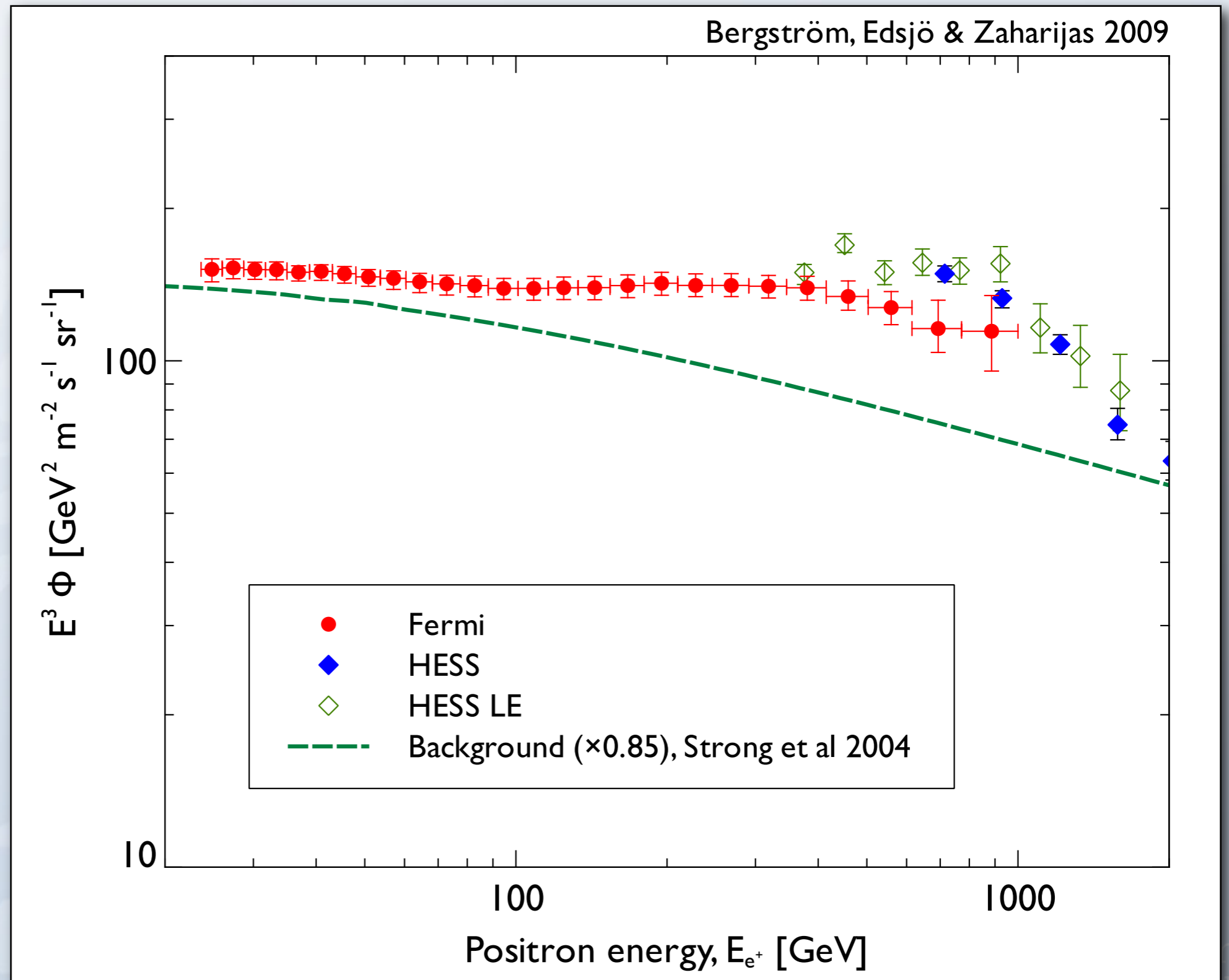






# Data and background - $e^+ + e^-$

- Rescale background with factor 0.85 (within systematic uncertainties)

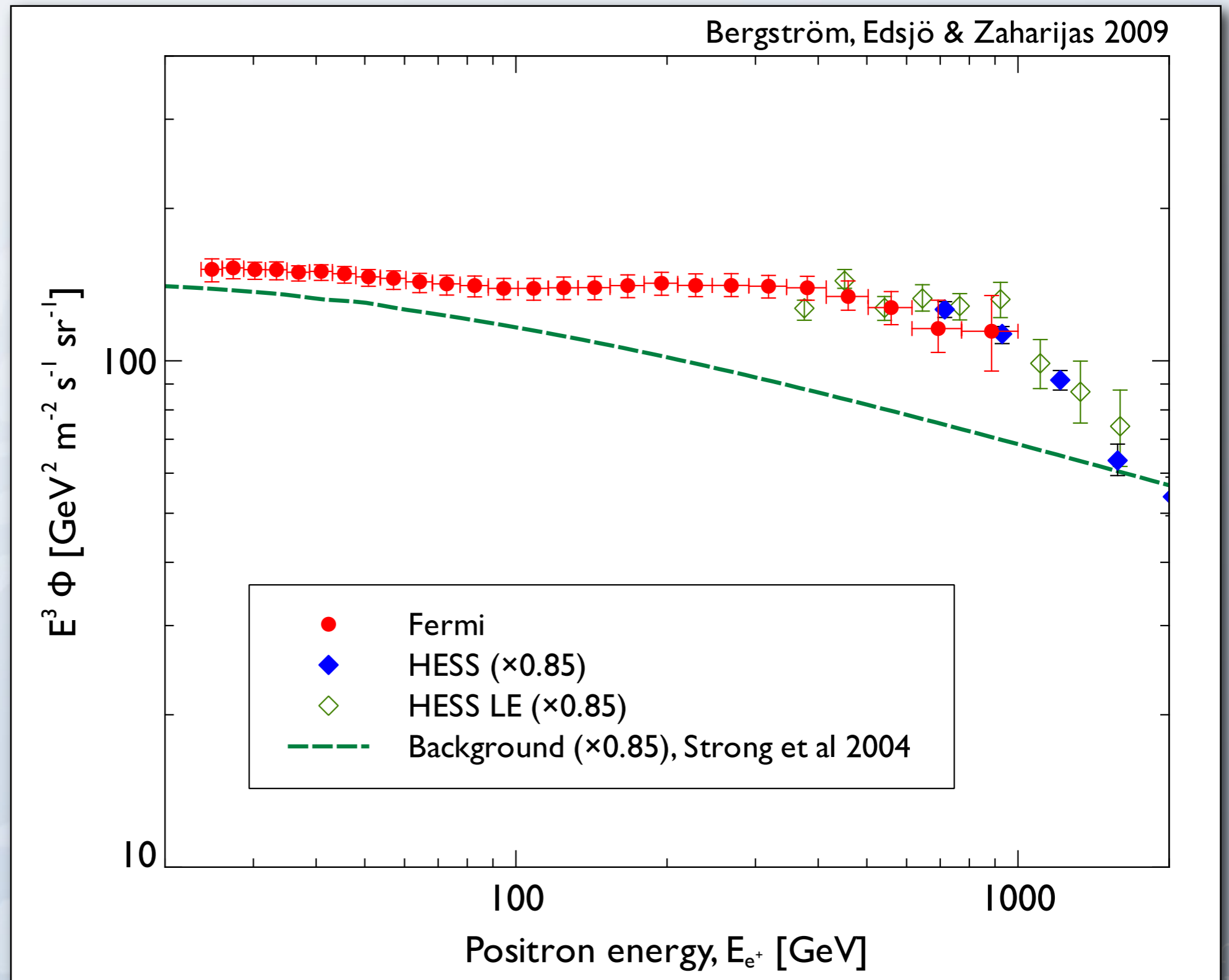


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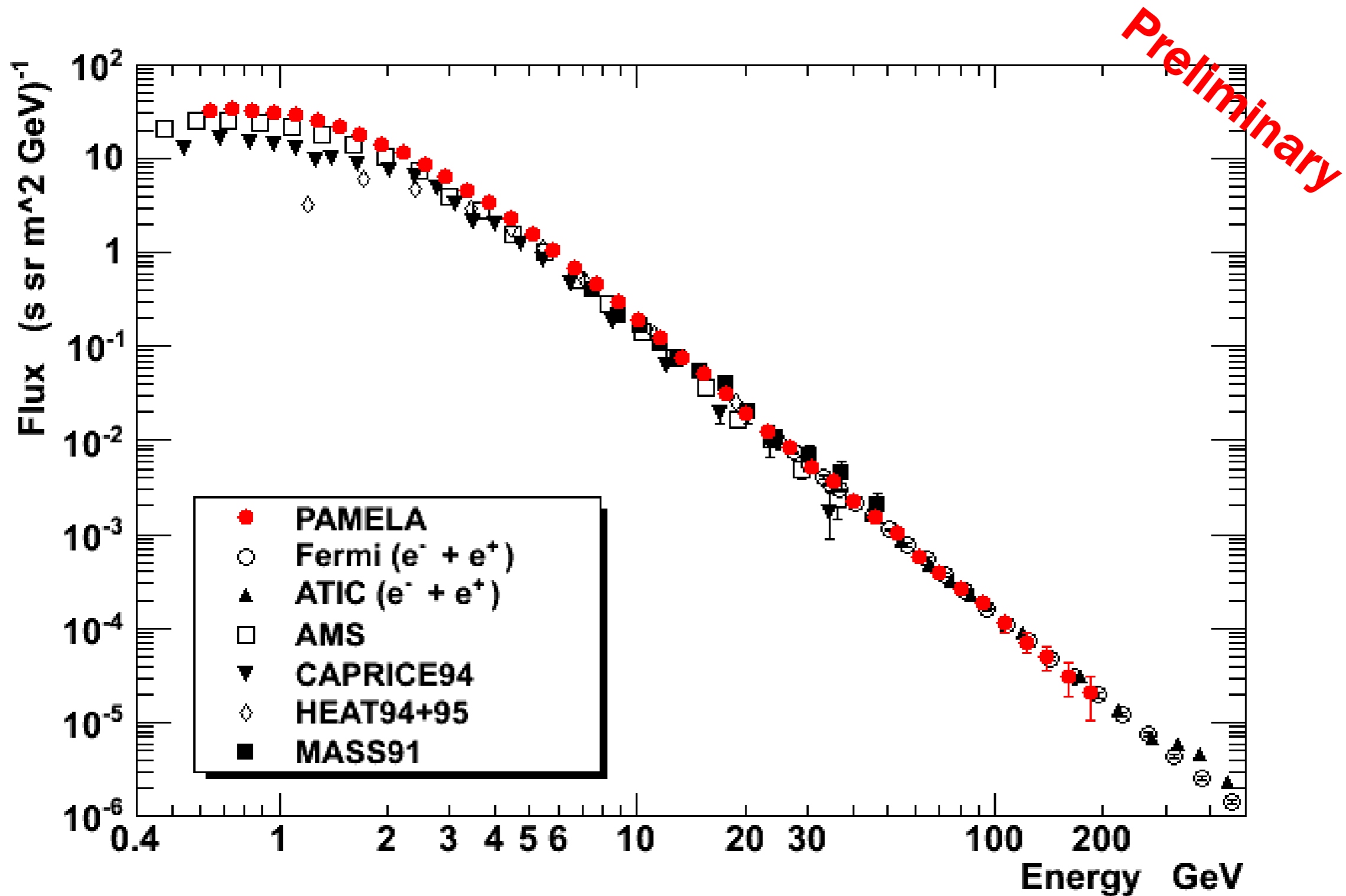
- Rescale HESS with factor 0.85 (within systematic uncertainties)



- Good agreement between Fermi and HESS data.
- Pre-Fermi background falls too steep.



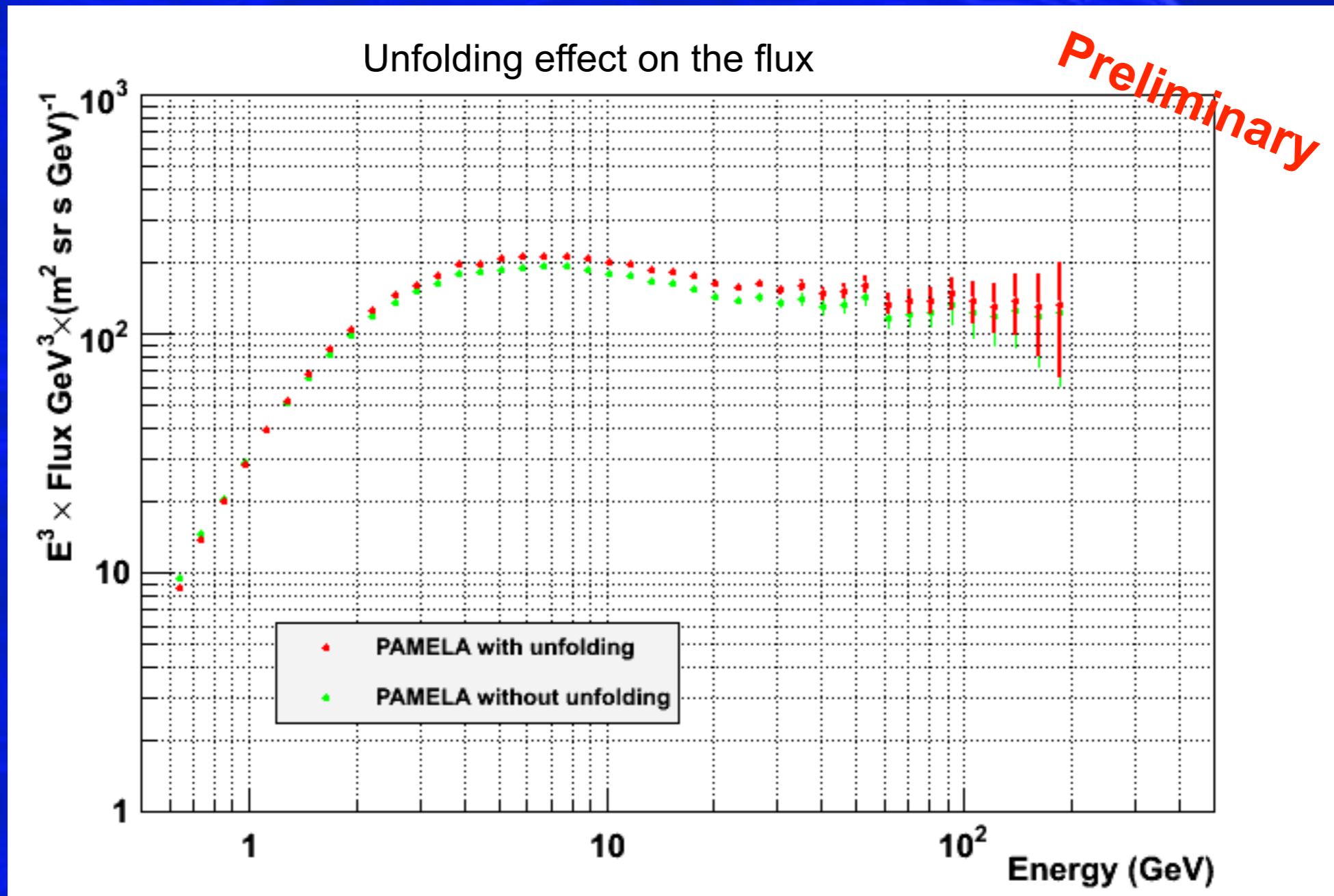
# PAMELA Electron ( $e^-$ ) Spectrum



See E. Mocchiutti's talk

# Comment: Should experiments present unfolded fluxes?

## Electron flux - tracker-based





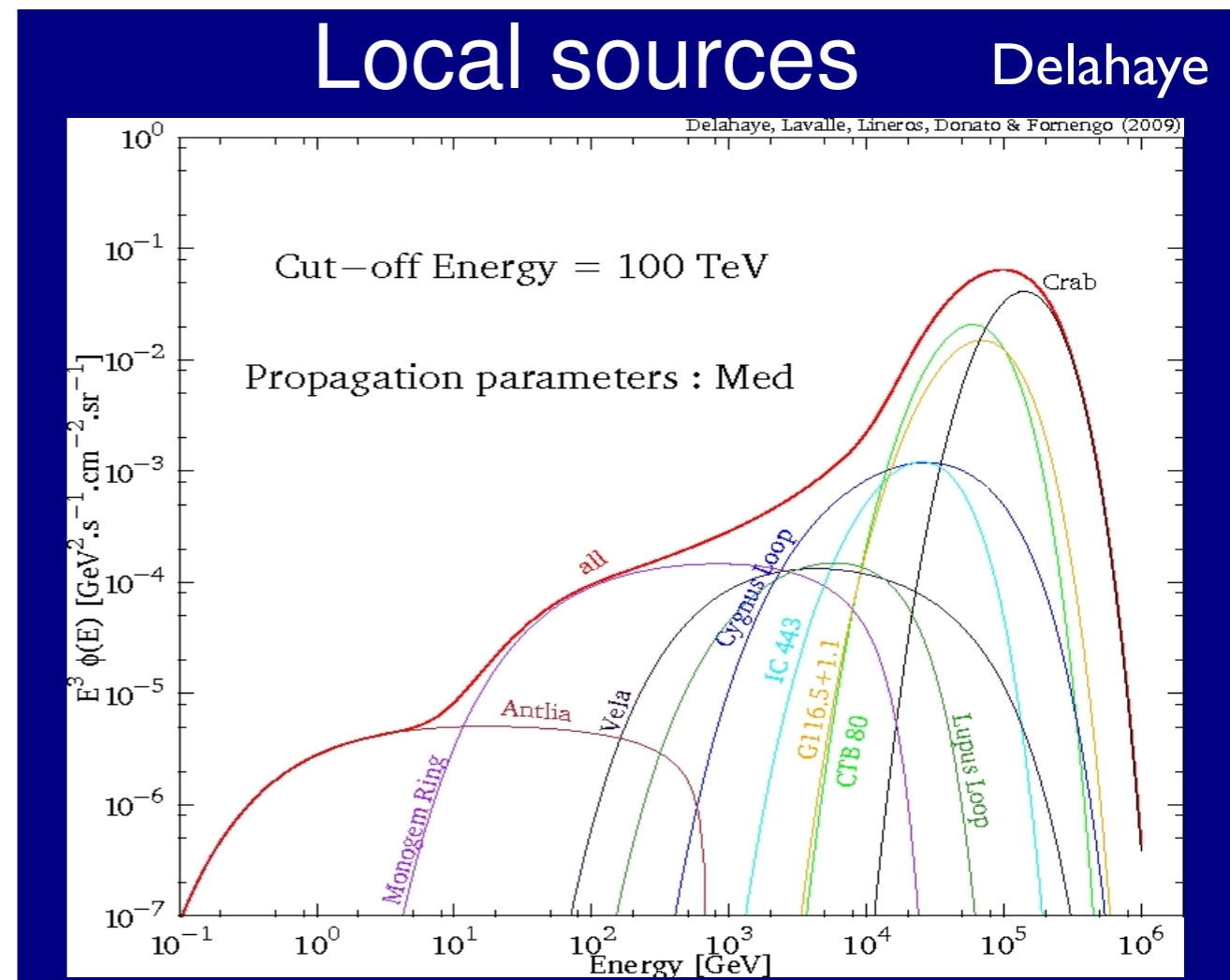
# Propagation

- By the summer of 2010, we should have at least three new code releases:
  - Galprop (numerical), Strong
  - USINE (semi-analytical), Maurin
  - Dragon (numerical), Maccione
- All of which should have interfaces to DarkSUSY and other signal codes



# Some recent developments

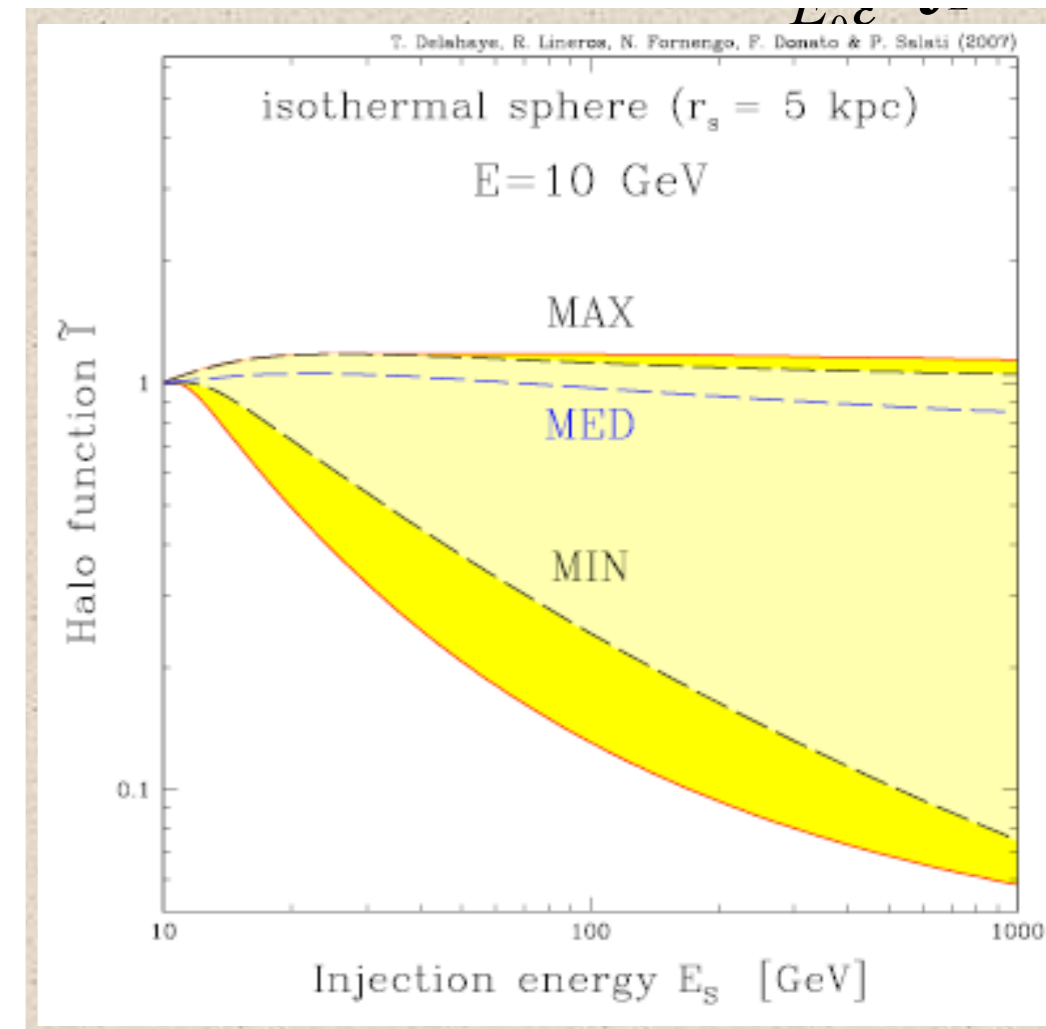
- Better interstellar radiation field estimates (Porter/Galprop) and energy losses (Delahaye)
- Inhomogeneous source distribution (Delahaye, Piran, Serpico, ...)





# Degeneracy

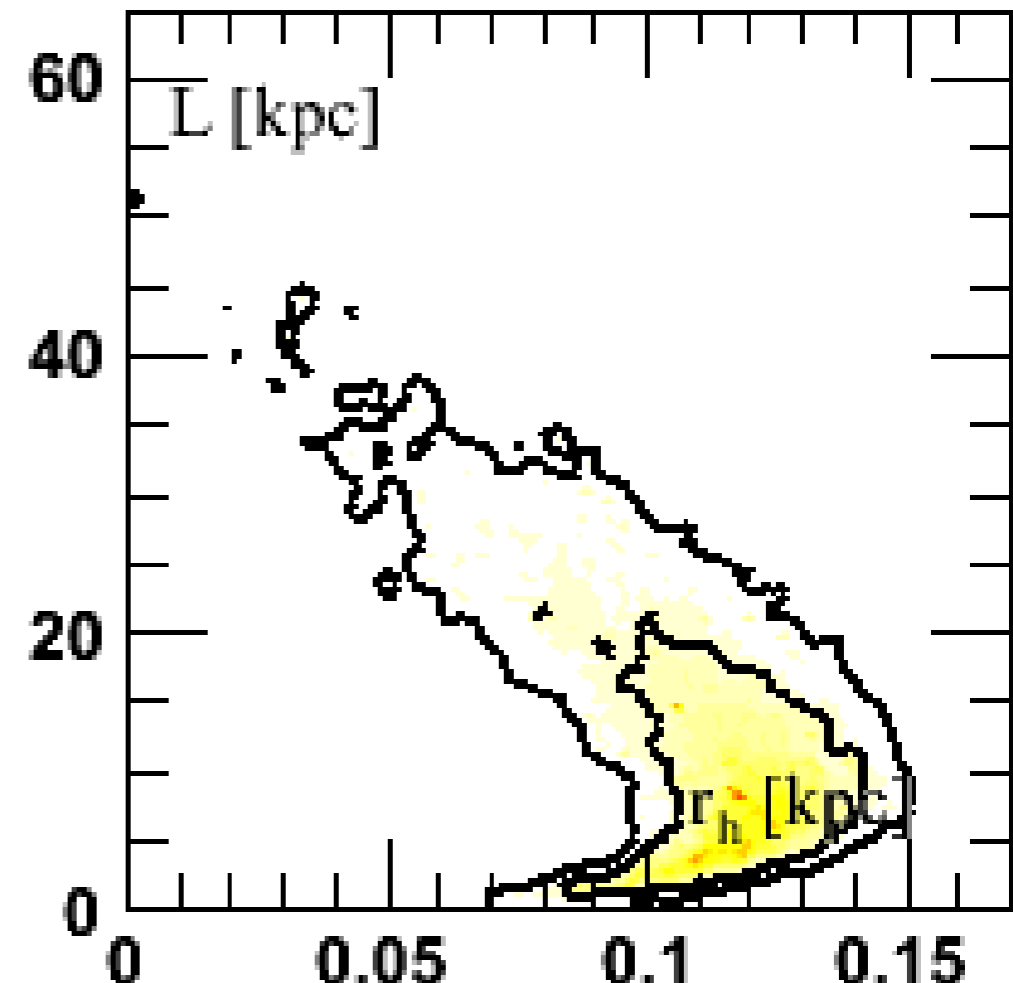
- Degeneracy in D/L for fits to heavier isotopes (B/C, ...).
- However, DM signal typically increases with L (as our diffusion box includes more sources)
- Additional uncertainty on the dark matter signal (Delahaye, Donato, ...)





# Global fits

- MCMC fitting of parameters being carried out:
  - Putze et al using USINE
- Similar efforts being carried out with other codes







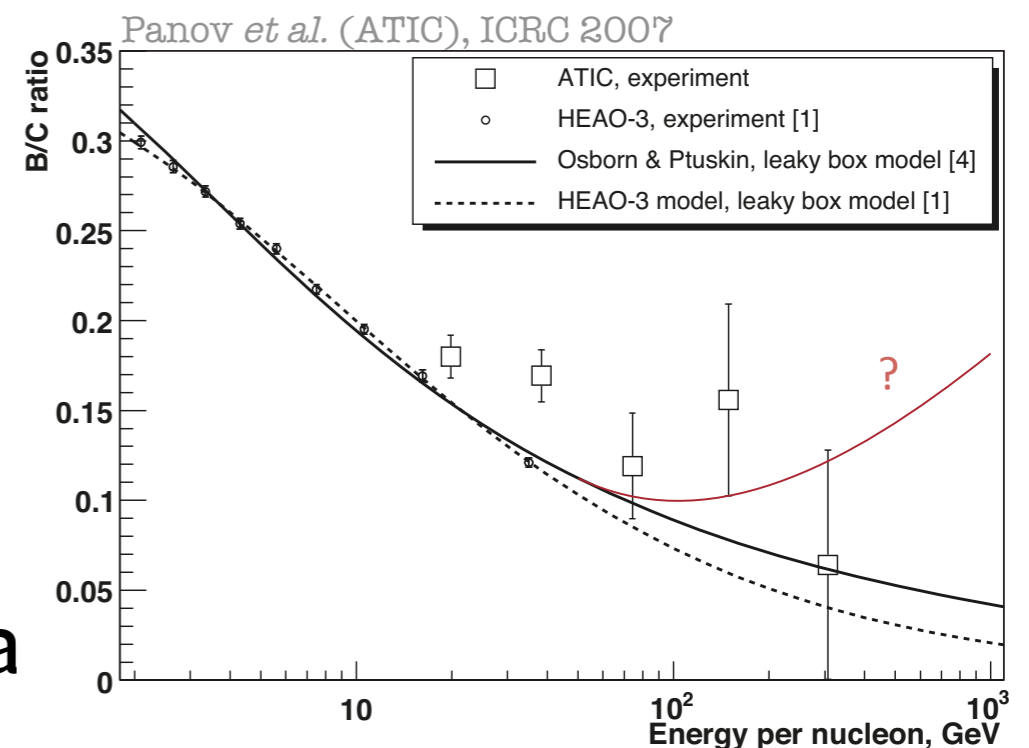
# Astrophysical sources

- Pulsars getting better understood (outer gap seems preferred). Could likely give enough electrons/positrons. Not well-enough understood to give precise predictions.

Bregeon, Serpico, Bucciantini, ...

- SNR likely source for CR. Reacceleration at shock fronts could give extra positrons, but also increased fluxes of heavier elements. Possibly at tension with data. Could be tested by e.g. Pamela

Blasi, Mertsch, ...





# Dark matter fits

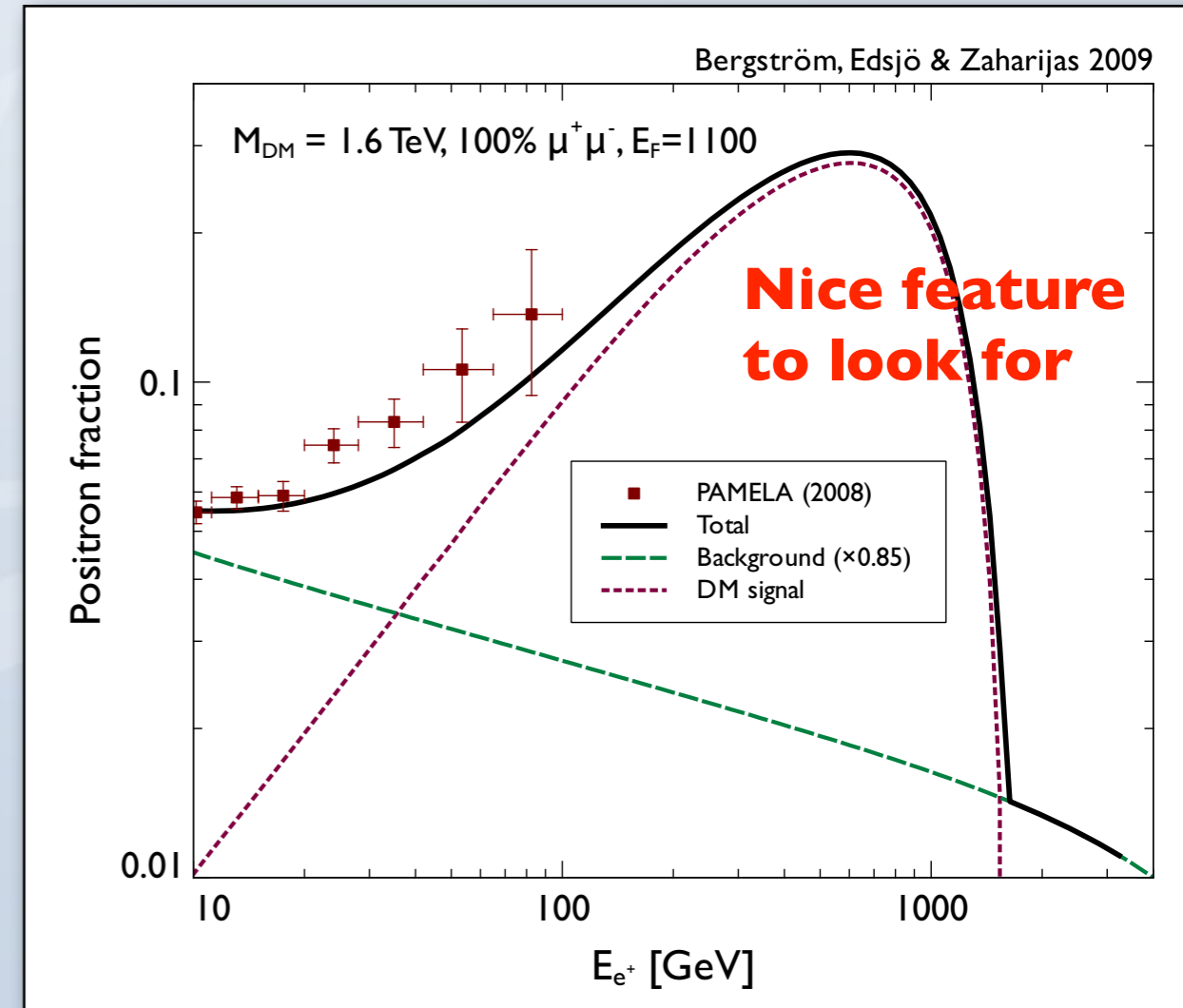
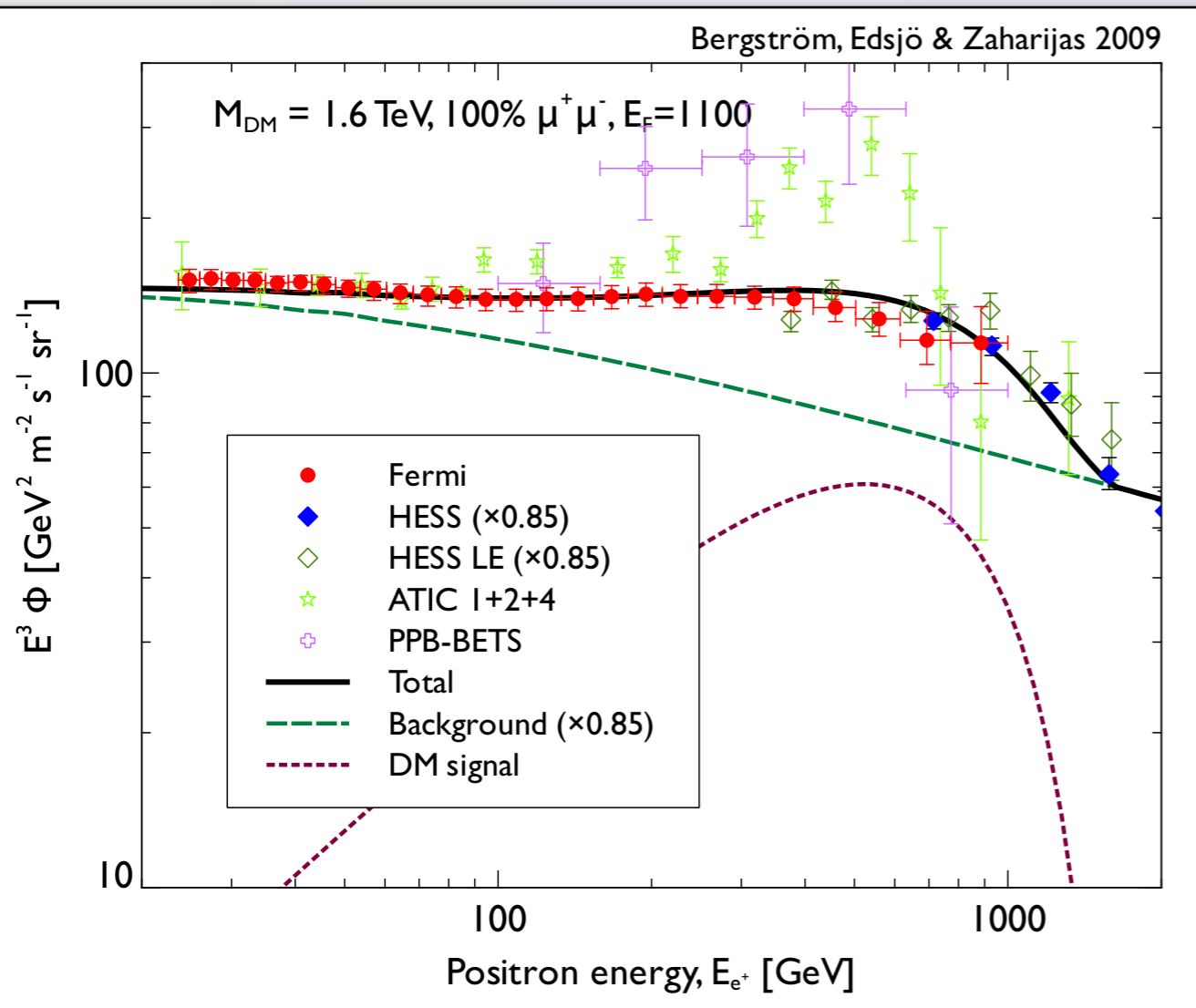
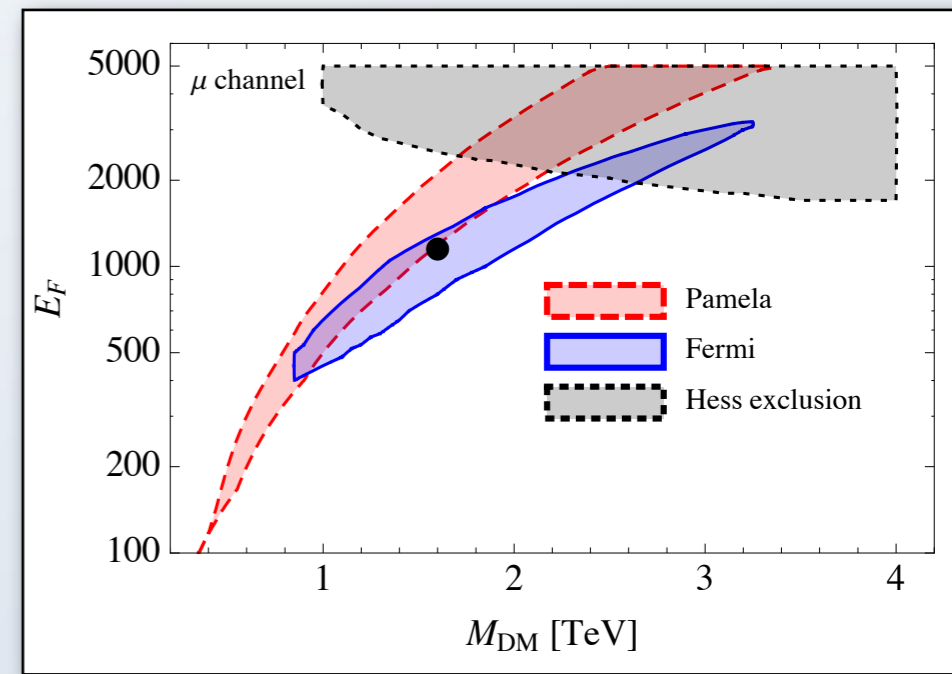
- Dark matter is **not** ad hoc, we have strong evidence for the existence of dark matter. However...
- ...off the shelf, standard dark matter models do not work.
- ...need boost: Sommerfeld, non-standard early Universe, non-thermal production, ...



# Dark matter models

- WIMPs
  - Neutralinos
  - Leptophilic models
  - Sommerfeld boosted models
- Axions
- ...

# Results – $\mu$ channel



L. Bergström, J. Edsjö & G. Zaharijas,  
PRL, arXiv:0905.0333

Good fits to Fermi, HESS and PAMELA data



# Consistency

- Need to use more realistic models than is used in most analyses with realistic background estimates
- Need to calculate all fluxes ( $e^+$ , antiprotons, antideuterons, radio, IR, X-rays,  $\gamma$ , ...) from all sources (SNR, pulsars, DM, ...) in a consistent framework

Donato, Ullio,  
Cuoco, ...

**Donato: “It is not hopeless, simply difficult!”**

**Ullio: Hard to extract information on DM properties if enhancement comes from substructure.**

<b>Pulsars</b> <b>(Serpico, Bucciantini)</b>	<b>New SNRs mechanisms</b> <b>(Blasi, Mertsch)</b>	<b>Localized SNR</b> <b>(Piran)</b>	<b>Dark matter</b> <b>(Donato, Ullio, Gaggero, Cuoco)</b>	<b>?</b>
<b>Uncertainties</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Acceleration model (polar cap, outer gap, ...)</li> <li>● Injection spectrum <math>E^{-\alpha}</math>?</li> <li>● Release into the ISM (when, how much?)</li> <li>● Source locations, ages, ...</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Environmental parameters at SNR (production mechanism)</li> <li>● Distance to closest source</li> <li>● Cut-off energies</li> <li>● ...</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Source properties</li> <li>● Local environment</li> <li>● Diffusion model</li> <li>● ...</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Particle physics model</li> <li>● Particle physics enhancement (Sommerfeld)</li> <li>● Substructure enhancement (halo model)</li> <li>● ...</li> </ul>	<b>?</b>
<b>Tests</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Anisotropy of flux</li> <li>● Fluctuations in spectrum (arXiv: 0903.1310)</li> <li>● consistency checks (gamma, X-ray, ...)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Antiproton fluxes</li> <li>● Secondary nuclei</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Positron fraction down at several hundred GeV</li> <li>● B/C, antiprotons</li> <li>● Anisotropy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● FSR &amp; IC photons</li> <li>● Continuing positron fraction rise</li> <li>● CMBR distortions</li> <li>● LHC signatures</li> </ul>	<b>?</b>

+ need updated background model (with e.g. proper handling of local sources)



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