The electron/positron puzzle in the Fermi and PAMELA era

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Assume χ present in the galactic halo

Neutralino WIMPs

- χ is its own antiparticle => can annihilate in galactic halo producing gamma-rays, antiprotons, positrons....
- Antimatter not produced in large quantities through standard processes (secondary production through p + p -> anti p + X)
- So, any extra contribution from exotic sources ($\chi \chi$ annihilation) is an interesting signature
- ie: $\chi \chi \rightarrow \text{ anti } p + X$

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• Produced from (e. g.) $\chi \chi \rightarrow q / g / gauge boson / Higgs boson and subsequent decay and/ or hadronisation.$





the MASS89 Calorimeter





MASS 89 the calorimeter



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from Las Cruces to Prince Albert





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PAMELA

Payload for Antimatter Matter Exploration and Light Nuclei Astrophysics

In orbit on June 15, 2006, on board of the DK1 satellite by a Soyuz rocket from the Bajkonour launch site. First switch-on on June 21 2006 From July 11 Pamela is in continuous data taking mode





PAMELA detectors

Main requirements → high-sensitivity antiparticle identification and precise momentum measure



GF: 21.5 cm² sr Mass: 470 kg Size: 130x70x70 cm³ Power Budget: 360W

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~ 4 years from PAMELA launch

 Launched in orbit on June 15, 2006, on board of the DK1 satellite by a Soyuz rocket from the Bajkonour cosmodrom.



Antiproton-Proton Ratio















PAMELA Helium









The CAPRICE 94 flight



High Energy Gamma Experiments Experiments





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The GILDA mission: a new technique for a gamma-ray telescope in the energy range 20 MeV-100 GeV

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Abstract

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In this article a new technique for the realization of a high energy gamma-ray telescope is presented, based on the adoption of silicon strip detectors and lead scintillating fibers. The simulated performances of such an instrument (GILDA) are significatively better than those of EGRET, the last successful experiment of a high energy gamma-ray telescope, launched on the CGRO satellite, though having less volume and weight.

Elements of a pair-conversion telescope



 photons materialize into matter-antimatter pairs:

 $E_{v} --> m_{e^+}c^2 + m_{e^-}c^2$

 electron and positron carry information about the direction, energy and polarization of the γ-ray






Stable particle tracker that allows micron-level tracking of gamma-rays

Well known technology in Particle Physics experiments. Used by our collaboration in balloon experiments (MASS, TS93, CAPRICE), on MIR Space Station (SilEye) and on satellite (NINA)





First Fermi LAT Catalogs

AGN □ SNR AGN-Blazar × PSR ○ PWN AGN-Non Blazar □ Starburst Galaxy No Association □ Starburst Galaxy Possible Association with SNR and PWN - Galaxy ○ Globular Cluster Possible confusion with Galactic diffuse emission > HXB or MQO

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1451 sources

Fermi Large Area **Telescope First Source** Catalog arXiv:1002.2280, 2010 ApJS accepted. (1FGL)contains 1451 sources detected and characterized in the 100 MeV to 100 GeV, first 11 months data. The First Catalog of **Active Galactic Nuclei Detected by the Fermi** Large Area Telescope arXiv: 1002.0150, includes 671 gamma-ray sources at high Galactic latitudes (|b| > 10 deg), with TS> 25 and associated statistically with AGNs. The First Fermi Large Area Telescope Catalog of Gamma-ray Pulsars 2010ApJS..187..460A. Contains 46 highconfidence pulsed detections using the first six months of data

How Fermi LAT detects gamma rays



How Fermi LAT detects electrons

Trigger and downlink

- LAT triggers on (almost) every particle that crosses the LAT
 - ~ 2.2 kHz trigger rate
- On board processing removes many charged particles events
 - But keeps events with more that 20 GeV of deposited energy in the CAL
 - ~ 400 Hz downlink rate
- Only ~1 Hz are good γ-rays

Electron identification

- The challenge is identifying the good electrons among the proton background
 - Rejection power of 10³ 10⁴ required

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 Can not separate electrons from positrons



Event topology

A candidate electron (recon energy 844 GeV)

A candidate hadron (raw energy > 800 GeV)



- TKR: clean main track with extraclusters very close to the track
- CAL: clean EM shower profile, not fully contained
- ACD: few hits in conjunction with the track



- TKR: small number of extra clusters around main track
- CAL: large and asymmetric shower profile
- ACD: large energy deposit per tile



Energy reconstruction

Reconstruction of the most probable value for the event energy:

based on calibration of the response of each of 1536 calorimeter crystals
energy reconstruction is optimized for each event
calorimeter imaging capability is heavily used for fitting shower profile tested at CERN beams up to 280 GeV with the LAT Calibration Unit

Very good agreement between shower profile in beam test data (red) and Monte Carlo (black)





Fermi LAT Energy resolution for electrons



Energy Resolution Validation with Beam Test data





Comparison of standard and high-XO spectra





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Gamma-ray Space Telescope



"Conventional" model with injection spectrum 1.60/2.42 (break at 4 GeV)



new: Fermi Electron + Positron spectrum (end 2009)







An extra-component with injection index = 1.5 and an exponential cutoff at 1 TeV gives a good fit of all datasets!





the positron ratio accounting for nearby pulsars (d < 1 kpc)



Electron spectrum and a conventional GALPROP model



Electron spectrum and a conventional GALPROP model +...



Pulsars

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1. On purely energetic grounds they work (relatively large efficiency)

- 2. On the basis of the spectrum, it is not clear
 - The spectra of PWN show relatively flat spectra of pairs at Low energies but we do not understand what it is
 - 2. The general spectra (acceleration at the termination shock) are too steep

The biggest problem is that of escape of particles from the pulsar
1. Even if acceleration works, pairs have to survive losses
2. And in order to escape they have to cross other two shocks

Extensive discussion two week ago @ GGI (Serpico, Blasi..) New Fermi data on pulsars will help to constrain the pulsar models

What if we randomly vary the pulsar parameters relevant for e+e- production?

(injection spectrum, e+e- production efficiency, PWN "trapping" time)



Under reasonable assumptions, electron/positron emission from pulsars offers a viable interpretation of Fermi CRE data which is also consistent with the HESS and Pamela results.





other Astrophysical solution



 Positrons created as secondary products of hadronic interactions inside the sources

 Secondary production takes place in the same region where cosmic rays are being accelerated

-> Therefore secondary positron have a very flat spectrum, which is responsible, after propagation in the Galaxy, for the observed positron excess Blasi, arXiv:0903.2794

Boron-to-Carbon Ratio



electron + positron expected anisotropy in the directions of Monogem and Geminga





• Room for improvements with a better event selection!

Measurements of anisotropies: systematics

3.25

2.75

2.25

1.75 8



Terrestrial coordinates (South Atlantic Anomaly clearly visible). Fermi does not take science data within the SAA polygon.



Exposure map For gammas, after three months of mission (used for the bright source list). It will not be very different for the electrons and for longer time periods.

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≈ 25% disuniformity in the exposure map induced by the SAA.
 Measuring a 0.1% anisotropy requires a knowledge of the exposure map at the ≈ 0.1% level.

New Data is Forthcoming

Electron Spectrum:

- PAMELA & FERMI (GLAST) (taking data in space);
- ATIC-4 (had successful balloon flight, under analysis);
- CREST (new balloon payload under development);
- AMS-02 (launch date TBD);
- CALET (proposed for ISS);

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ECAL (proposed balloon experiment).

Comparison of High-Energy Electron Missions				
Mission	Upper Energy	Collecting Power	Calorimeter Thickness	Energy Resolution
	(TeV)	(m ² sr)	(X ₀)	(%)
CALET	20	0.75	30.8	< 3 (over 100 GeV)
PAMELA	0.25 (spectrometer) 2 (calorimeter)	0.0022 0.04	16.3	5.5 (300 GeV) 12 (300 GeV) 16 (1TeV)
GLAST	0.7	2.1 (100 GeV) 0.7 (700 GeV)	8.3	6 (100 GeV) 16 (700 GeV)
AMS-02	0.66 (spectrometer) 1 (calorimeter)	0.5 0.06 (100 GeV) < 0.04 (1 TeV)	16.0	< 3 (over 100 GeV)

Positron / Electron Separation: PAMELA & AMS-02




Conclusion:

The Electron+positron spectrum (CRE) measured by Fermi-LAT is significantly harder than previously thought on the basis of previous data Adopting the presence of an extra e^+ primary component with ~ 1.5 spectral index and $E_{cut} \sim 1$ TeV allow to consistently interpret Fermi-LAT CRE data (improving the fit), HESS and PAMELA Such extra-component can be originated if the secondary production takes place in the same region where cosmic rays are being accelerated (to be tested with future B/C measurements) • or by pulsars for a reasonable choice of relevant parameters (to be tested with future Fermi pulsars measurements) •or by annihilating dark matter for model with $M_{DM} \approx 1 \text{ TeV}$ Improved analysis and complementary observations (CRE anisotropy, spectrum and angular distribution of diffuse γ , DM sources search in γ) are required to possibly discriminate the right scenario.

Announcement for SciNeGHE 2010

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