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On the possibility to study antiproton production at the SPD detector at NICA collider for dark matter search in astrophysical experiments

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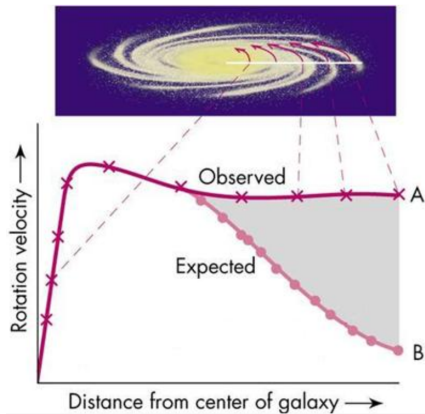
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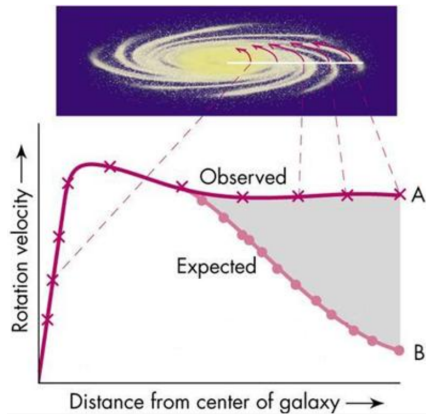
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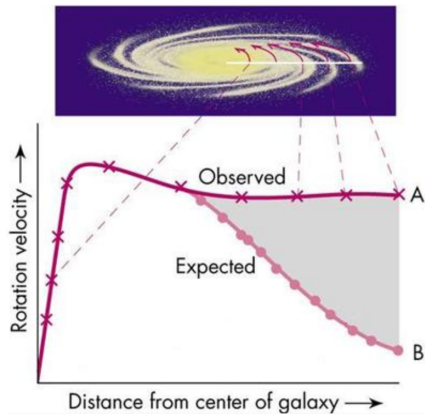
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- Galaxy cluster (M/L)



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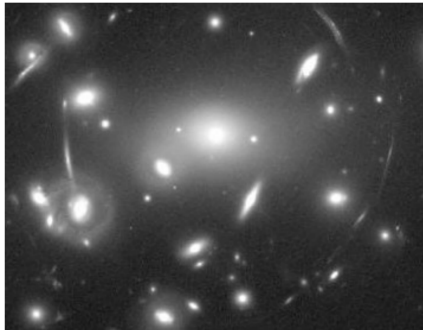
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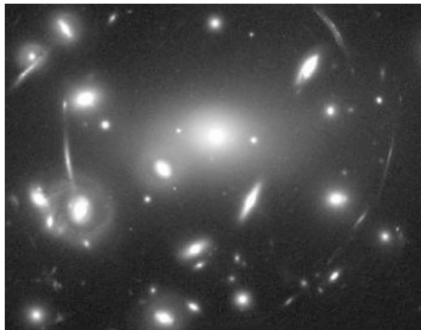
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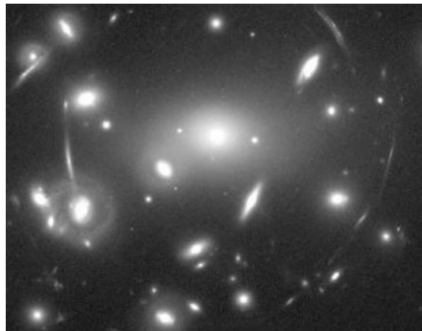
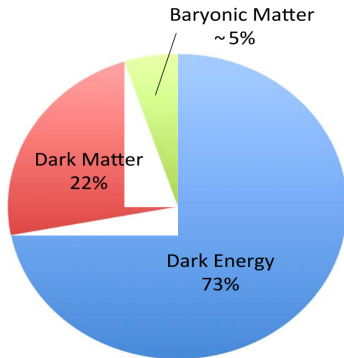
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- **WIMPs** (Weakly Interacting Massive Particles)
- MACHOs
- SUSY candidates
- Kaluza-Klein candidates
- Sterile neutrinos
- Axions

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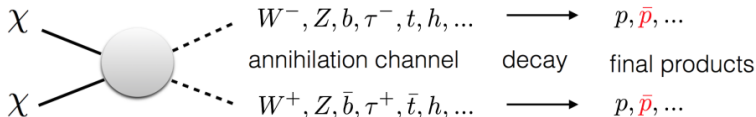
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- Can pair-annihilate and produce, through primary and secondary processes: $\nu, \gamma, e^+, \bar{p}$, and other anti-nuclei



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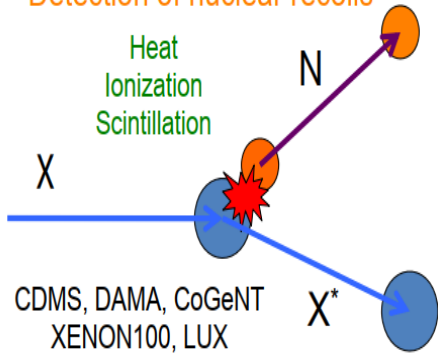
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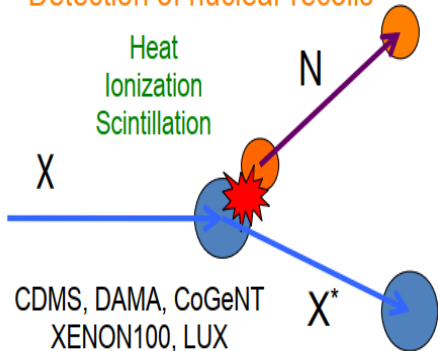
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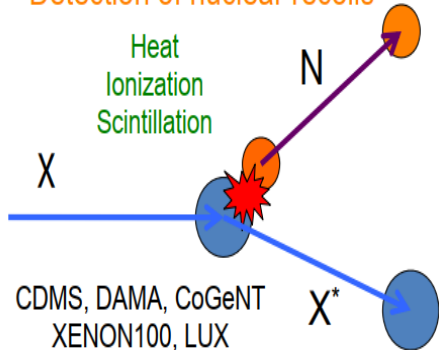
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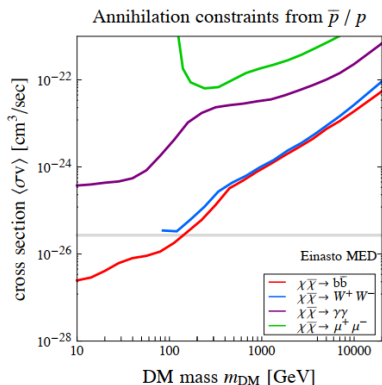
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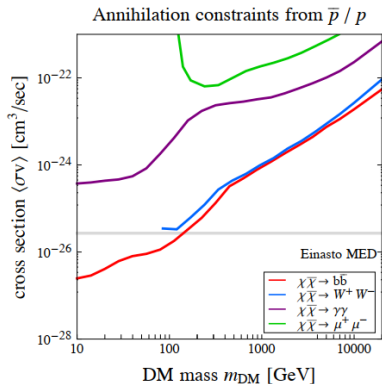
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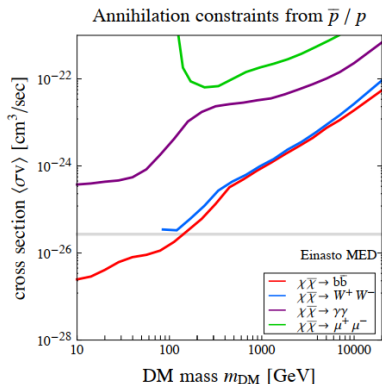
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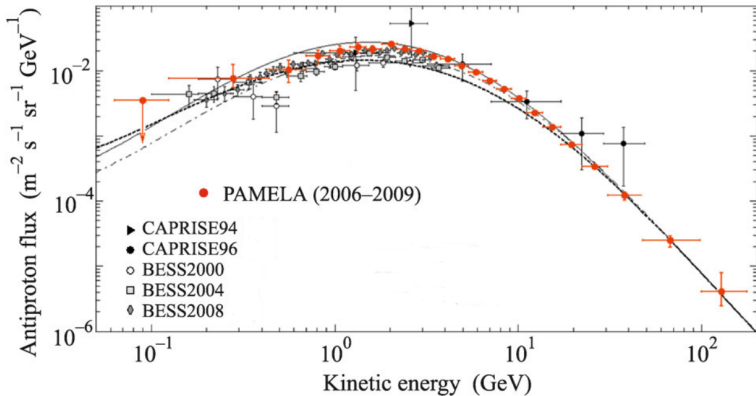
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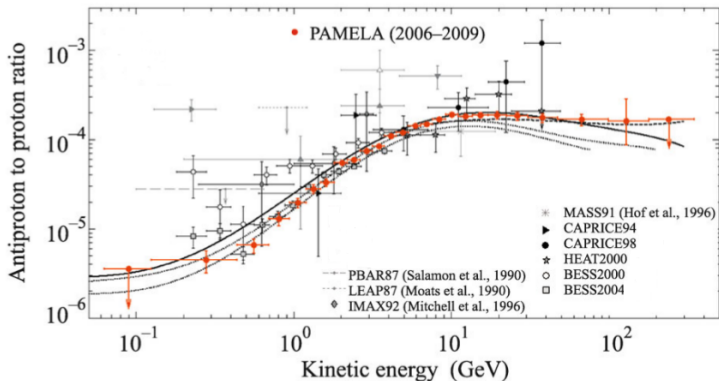
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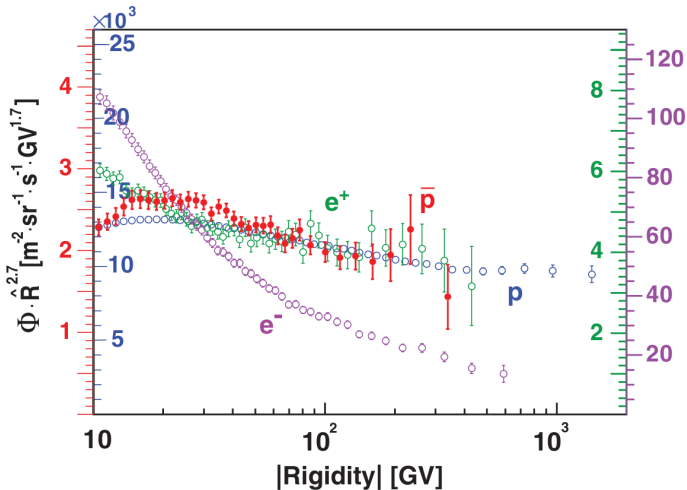
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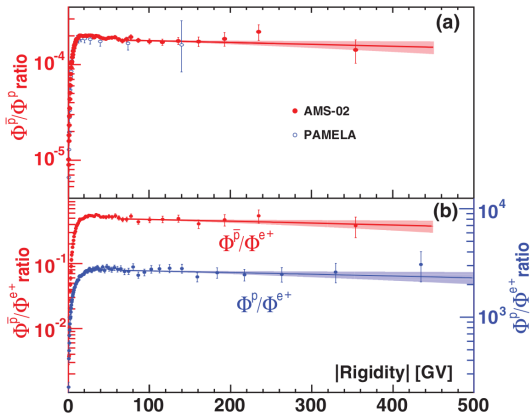
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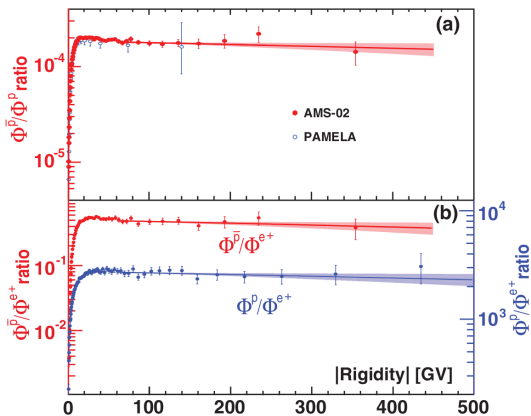
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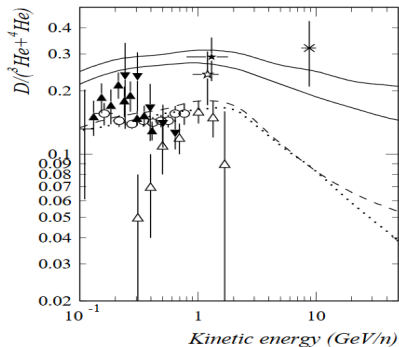
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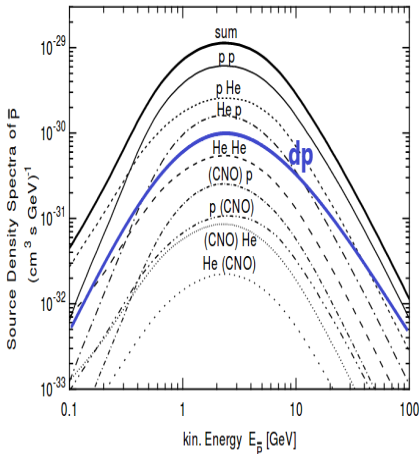
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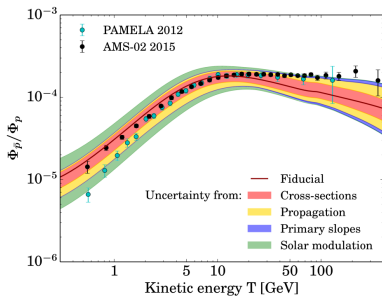
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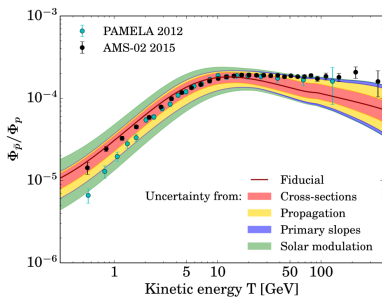
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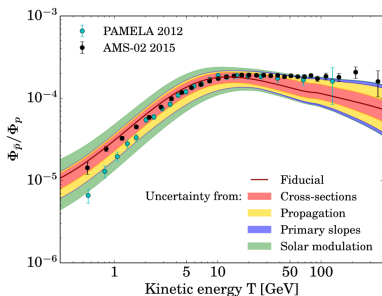
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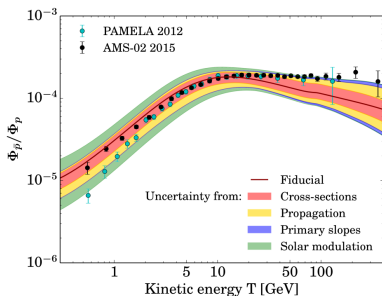
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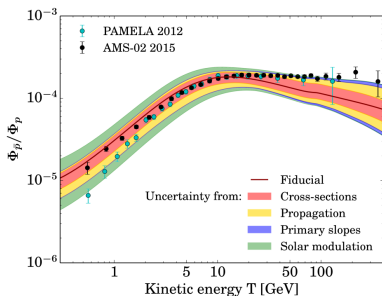
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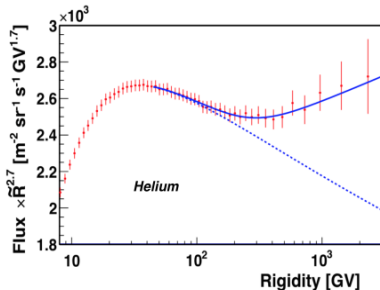
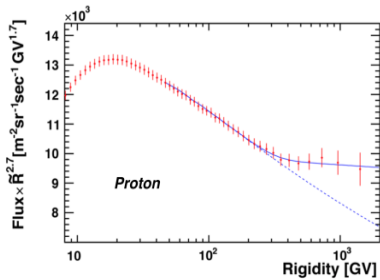
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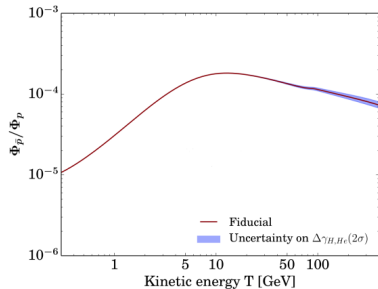
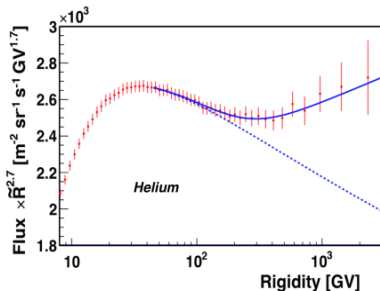
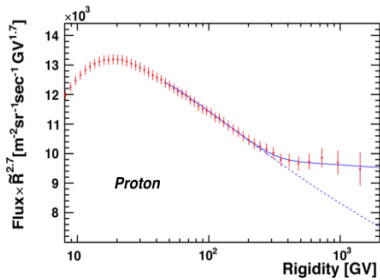
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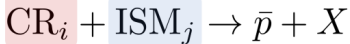
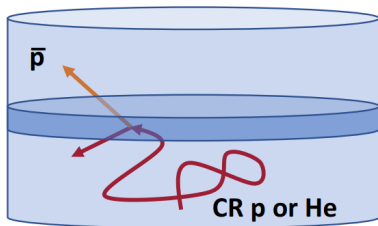
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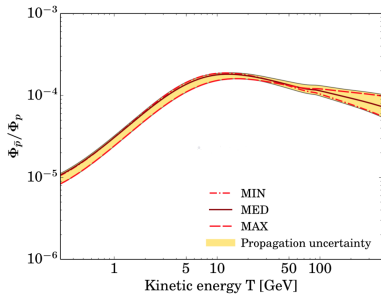
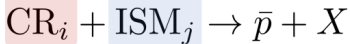
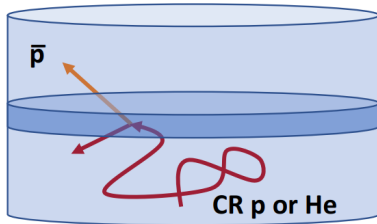
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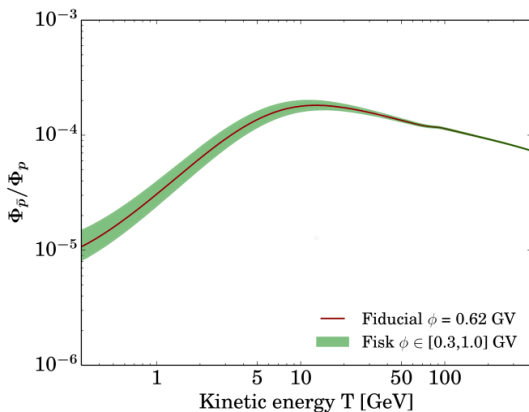
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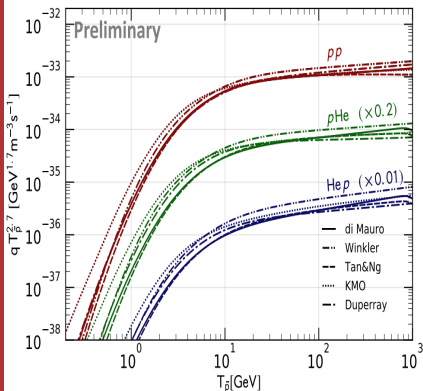
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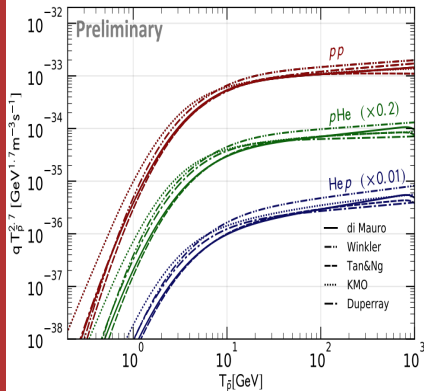
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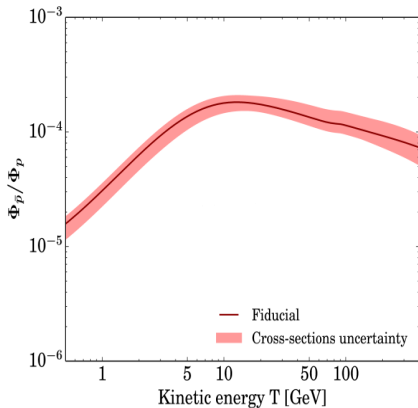
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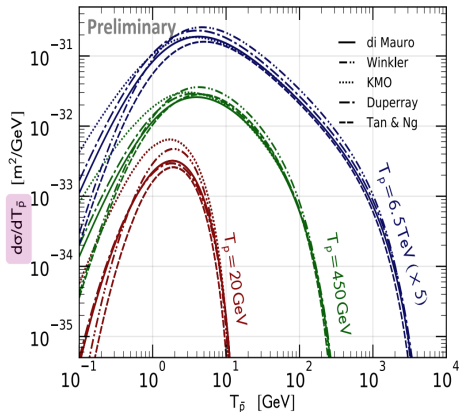
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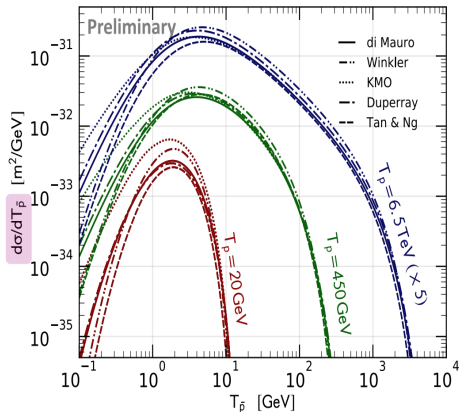
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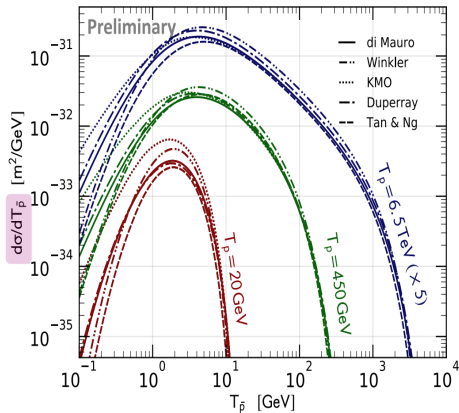
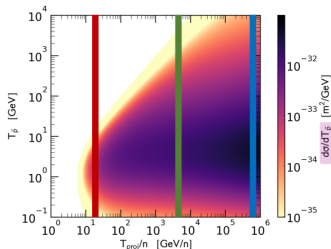
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$$\text{Radial-scaling variable: } x_R = \frac{E_{\bar{p}}}{E_{\bar{p}.max}}, \quad E_{\bar{p}.max} = \frac{s - 8m_p^2}{2\sqrt{s}}$$

| Experiment | \sqrt{s} (GeV) | P_T (GeV) | x_R |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Dekkers <i>et al.</i> , CERN 1965 | 6.1, 6.7 | (0.00, 0.79) | (0.34, 0.65) |
| Allaby <i>et al.</i> , CERN 1970 | 6.15 | (0.05, 0.90) | (0.40, 0.94) |
| Capiluppi <i>et al.</i> , CERN 1974 | 23.3, 30.6, 44.6, 53.0, 62.7 | (0.18, 1.29) | (0.06, 0.43) |
| Guettler <i>et al.</i> , CERN 1976 | 23.0, 31.0, 45.0, 53.0, 63.0 | (0.12, 0.47) | (0.036, 0.092) |
| Johnson <i>et al.</i> , FNAL 1978 | 19.4, 23.8, 27.4 | (0.77, 6.15) | (0.08, 0.58) |
| Antreasyan <i>et al.</i> , FNAL 1979 | 23.0, 31.0, 45.0, 53.0, 63.0 | (0.12, 0.47) | (0.036, 0.092) |
| BRAHMS, BNL 2008 | 200 | (0.82, 3.97) | (0.11, 0.39) |
| NA49, CERN 2010 | 17.3 | (0.10, 1.50) | (0.11, 0.44) |
| NA61, CERN 2017 | 6.3, 7.7, 8.8, 12.3, 17.3 | — | — |

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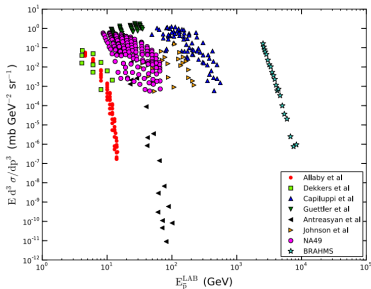
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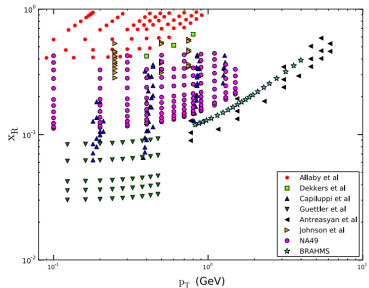
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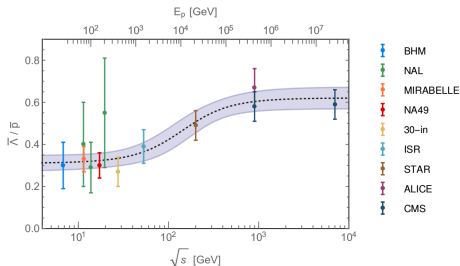
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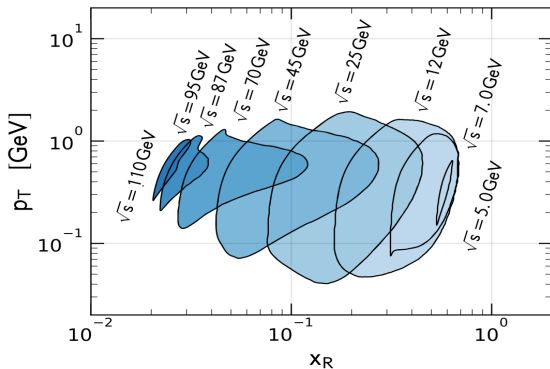
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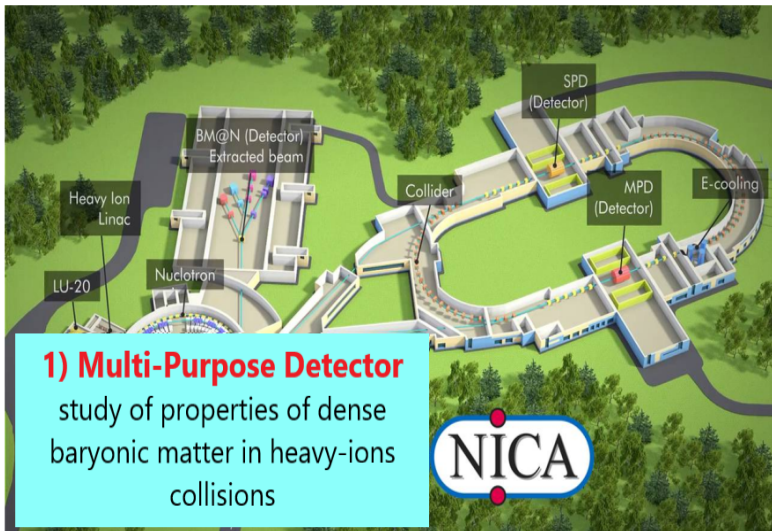
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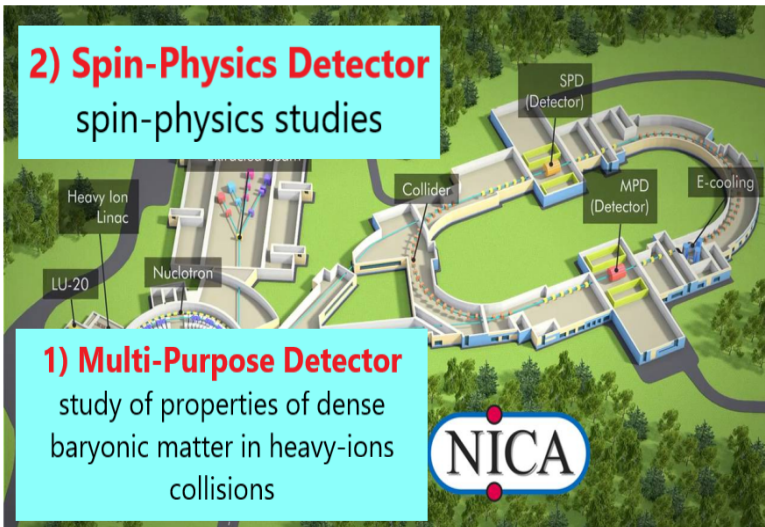
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- Possibility to collide any available polarized particles: pp , pD , and $p^3\text{He}$.

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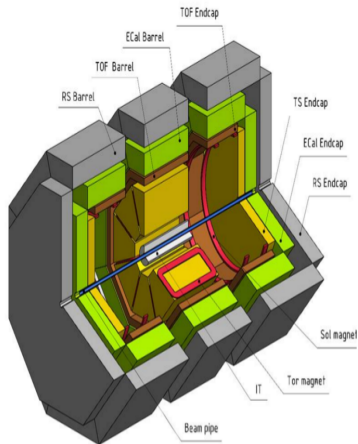
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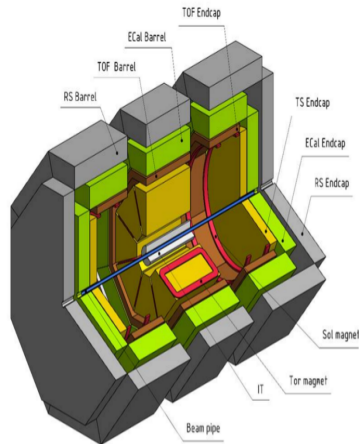
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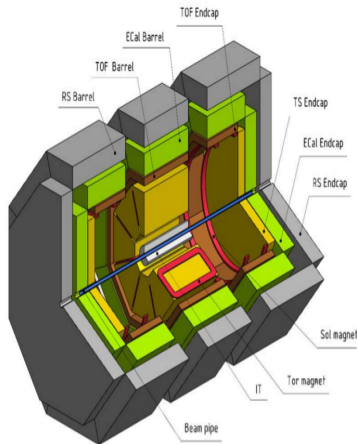
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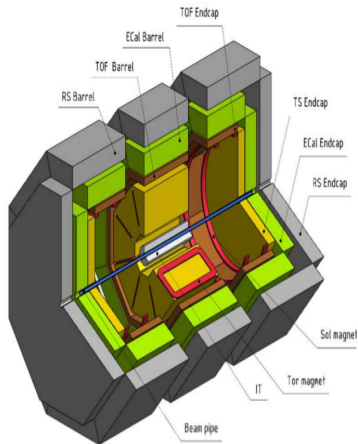
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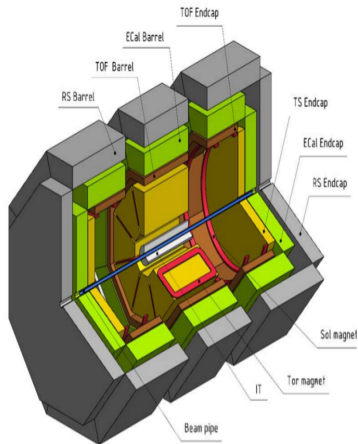
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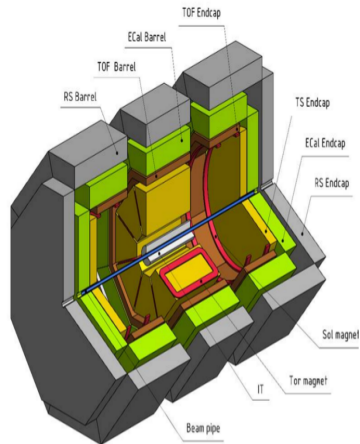
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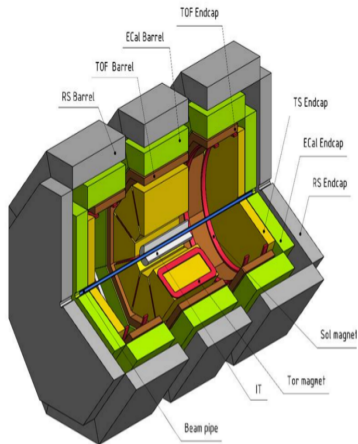
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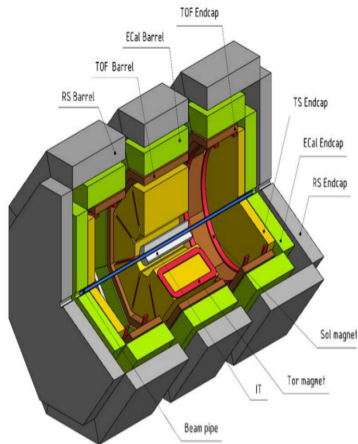
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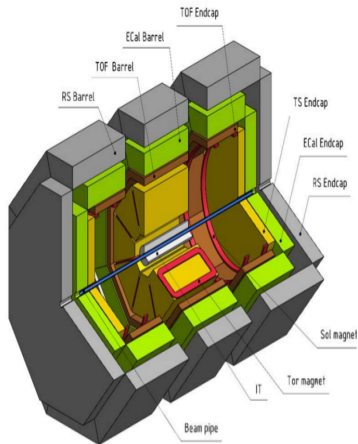
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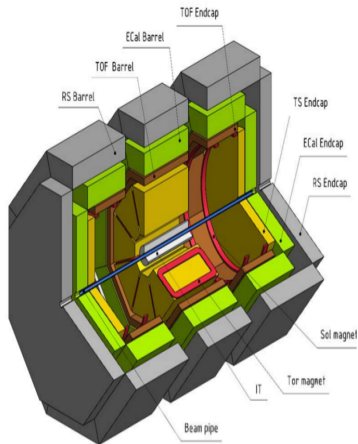
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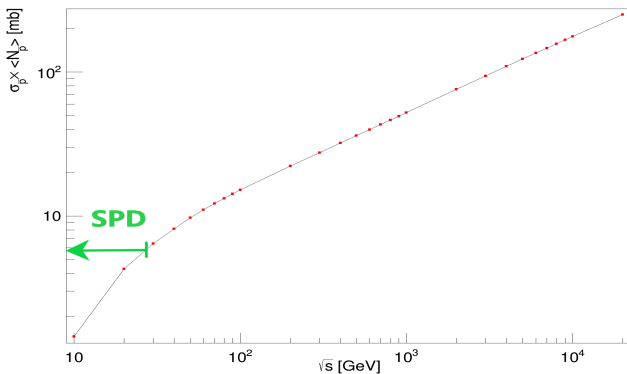


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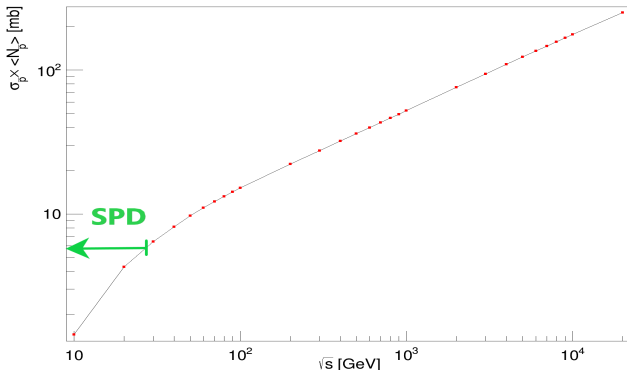
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Near threshold energies would likely be accessible as well.



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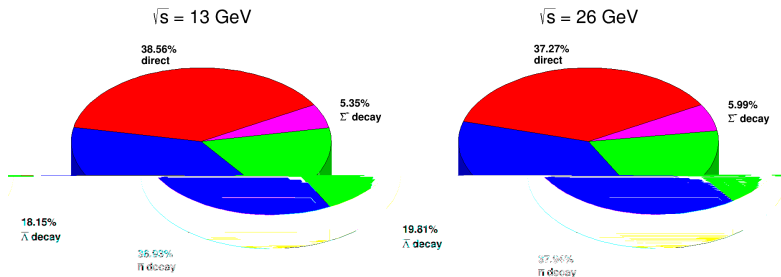
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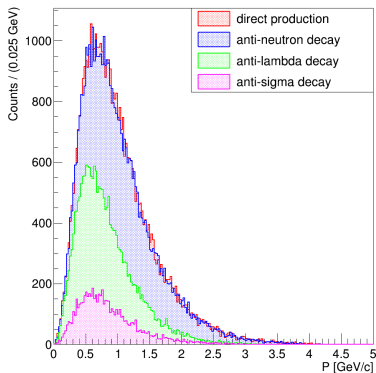
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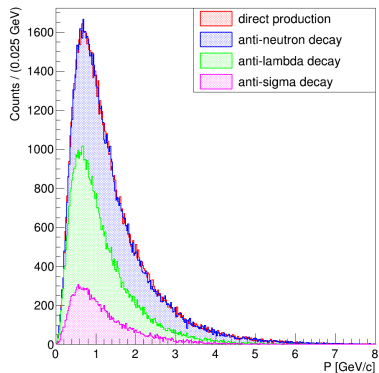
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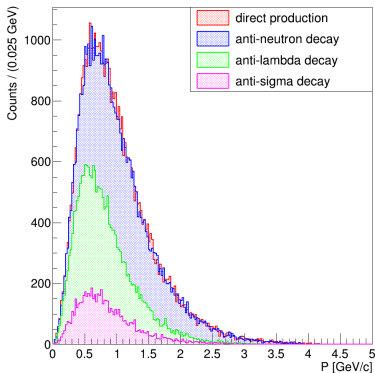
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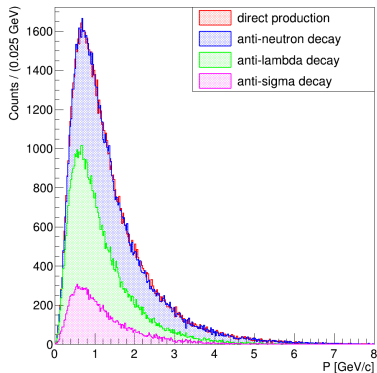
Produced momenta

Most produced \bar{p} 's would have momenta less than ~ 5 GeV/c, which should be accessible by the SPD.

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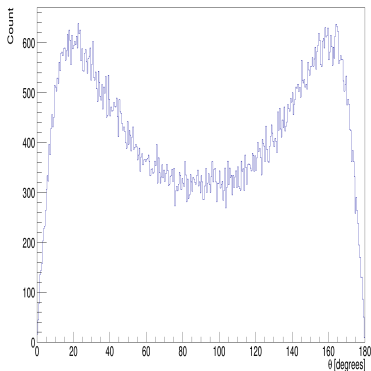
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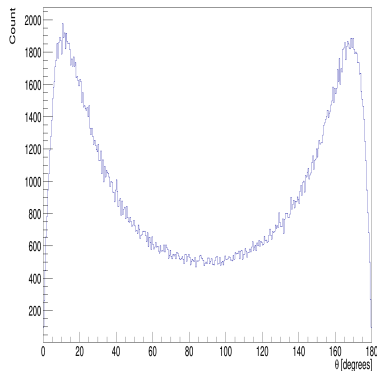
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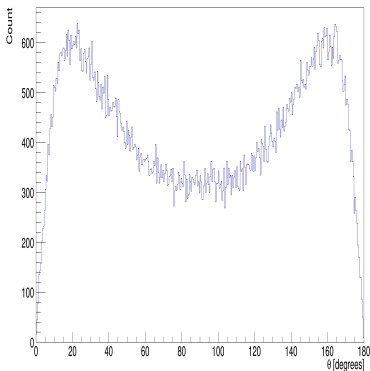
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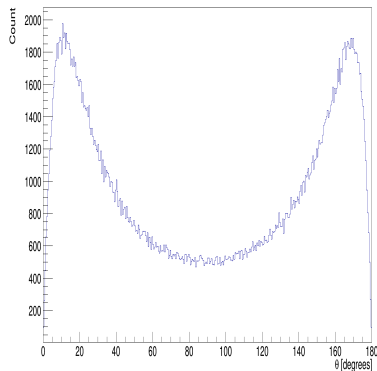
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$\sim 4\pi$ angular acceptance and low material budget
(planned to be ~ 0.012 RL)

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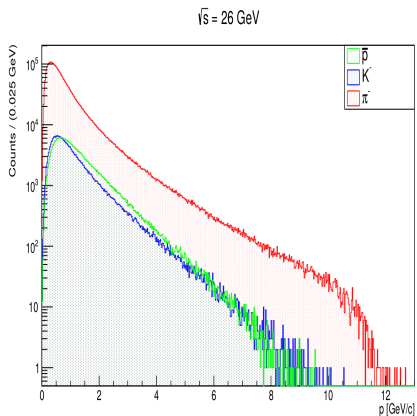
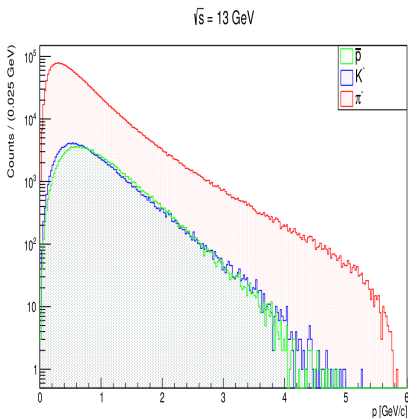
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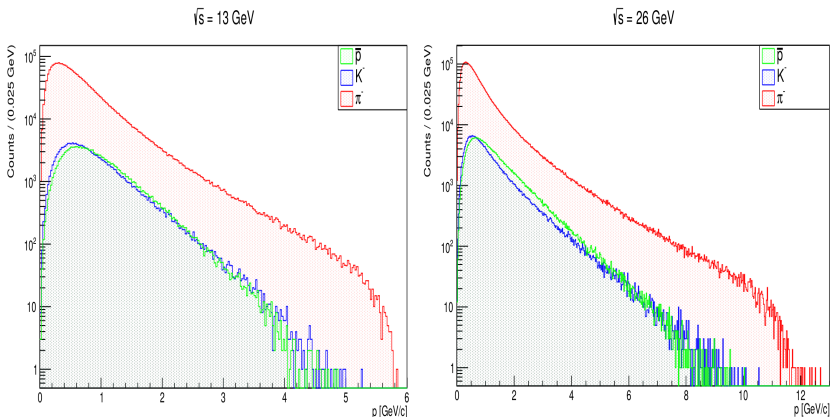
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ToF system: planned time-resolution $< 60\text{ps}$, which corresponds to a proton/kaon separation up to 5 GeV/c



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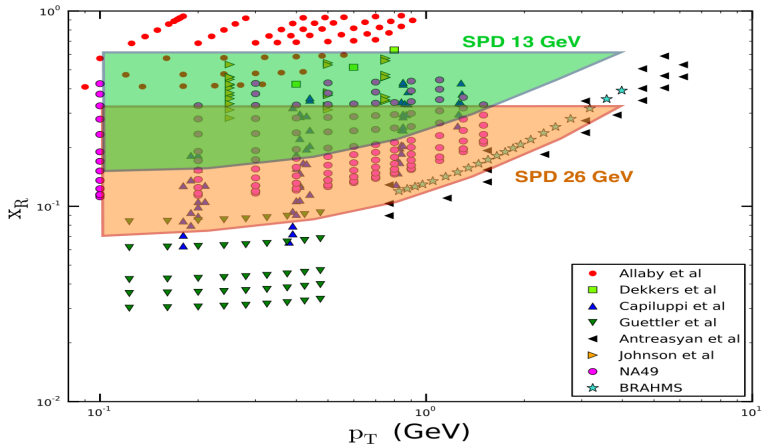
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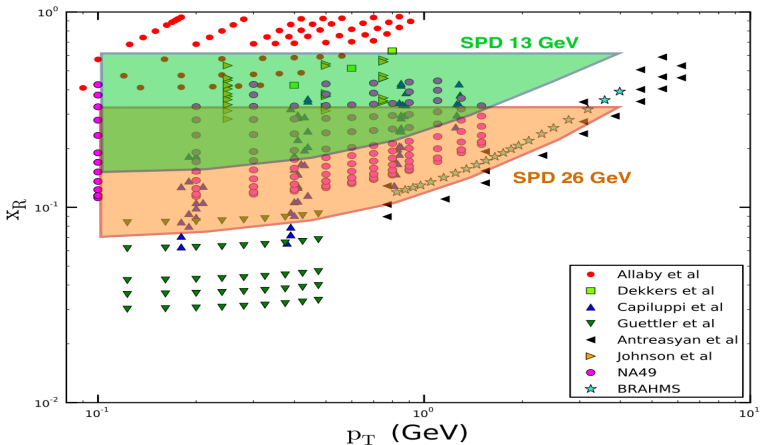
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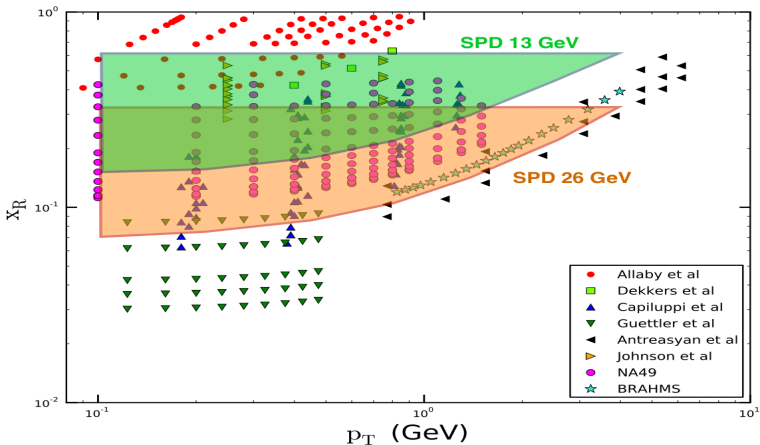
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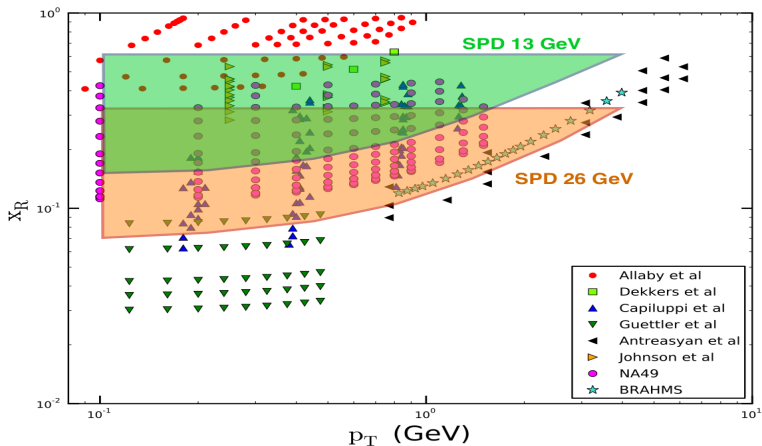
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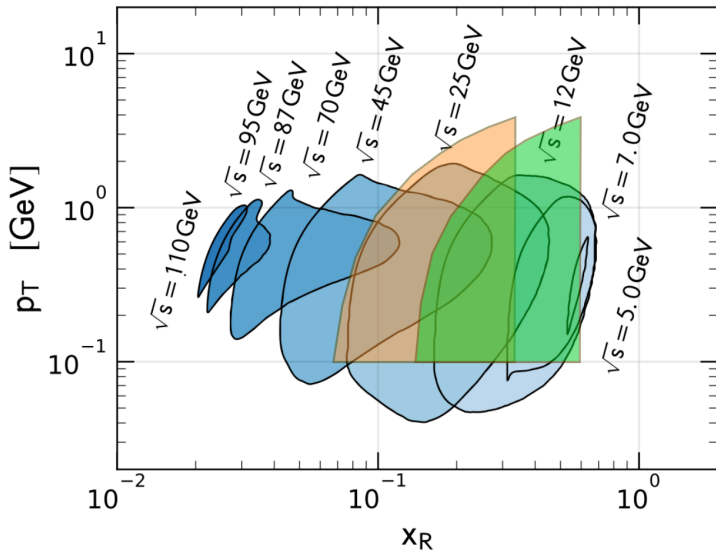
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- SPD can measure energy and angular distributions of \bar{p} 's produced either promptly or via hyperon decay in the kinematic range starting from threshold.

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- More detailed MC studies are needed to discuss the accuracy of the proposed measurements; which would be carried out with [SpdRoot](#).

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\bar{p} production
at 13-26 GeV

SPD Coverage

Requirements
for SPD

Conclusions

Thank You!