

Precision Measurement of the Daily Fluxes in Cosmic Rays with the Alpha Magnetic Spectrometer on the ISS



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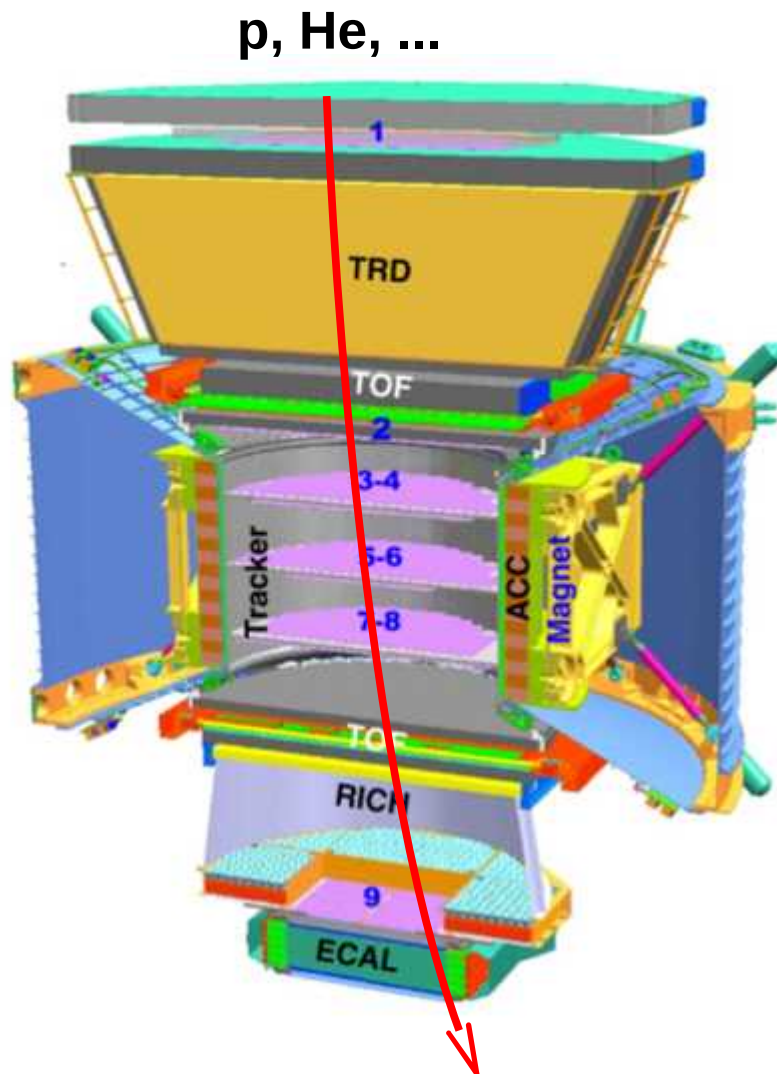
AMS Period of Observation

AMS is a GeV-TeV precision, multipurpose, magnetic spectrometer, on the ISS since May 2011.



Among the physics goals of AMS are measuring GCR fluxes and their time variation, to study solar modulation effect and short-term solar activity in the present and next solar cycle (24th-25th)

AMS Detector and Proton and Helium Identification



Transition Radiation Detector

- $e^+ e^-$ identification

Time-of-Flight counter

- Trigger
- Velocity
- Particle flight direction
- Charge

Silicon Tracker + Magnet

- Rigidity
- Charge & sign

Ring Imaging Cherenkov detector

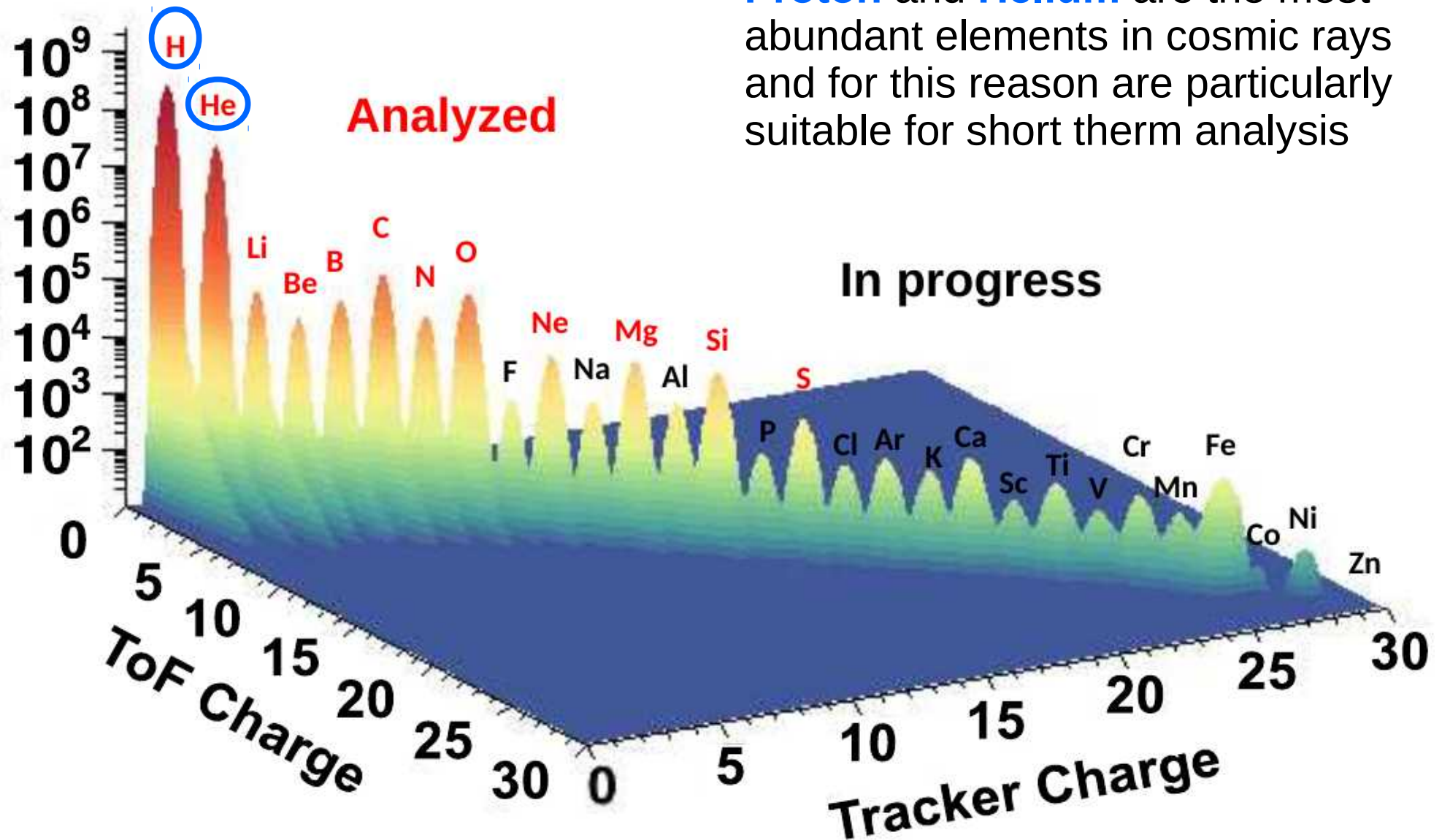
- Velocity
- Charge

Electromagnetic Calorimeter

- $e^+ e^-$ identification
- $e^+ e^-$ Energy

AMS Proton, Helium & other Nuclei

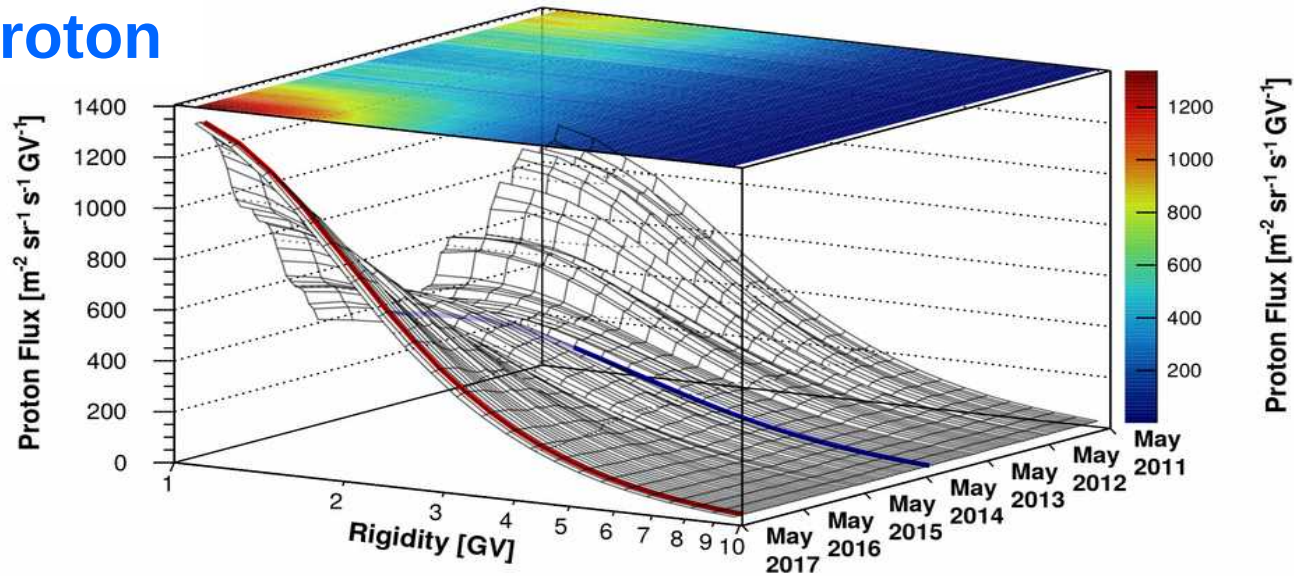
Proton and **Helium** are the most abundant elements in cosmic rays and for this reason are particularly suitable for short term analysis



AMS Proton and Helium Monthly Fluxes

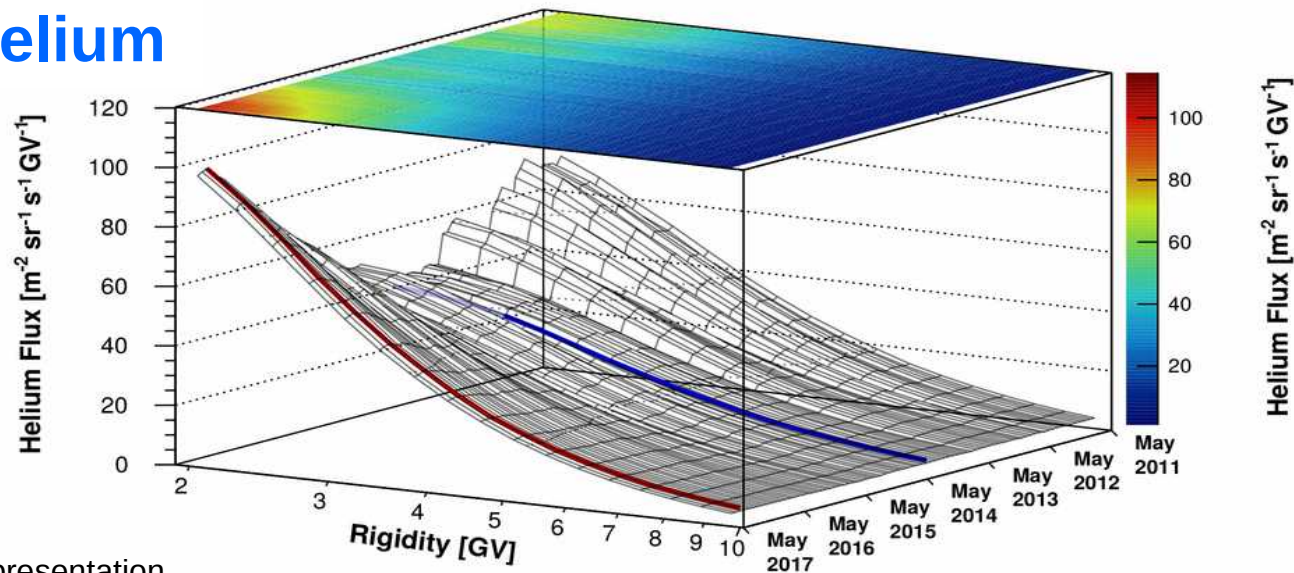
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Proton



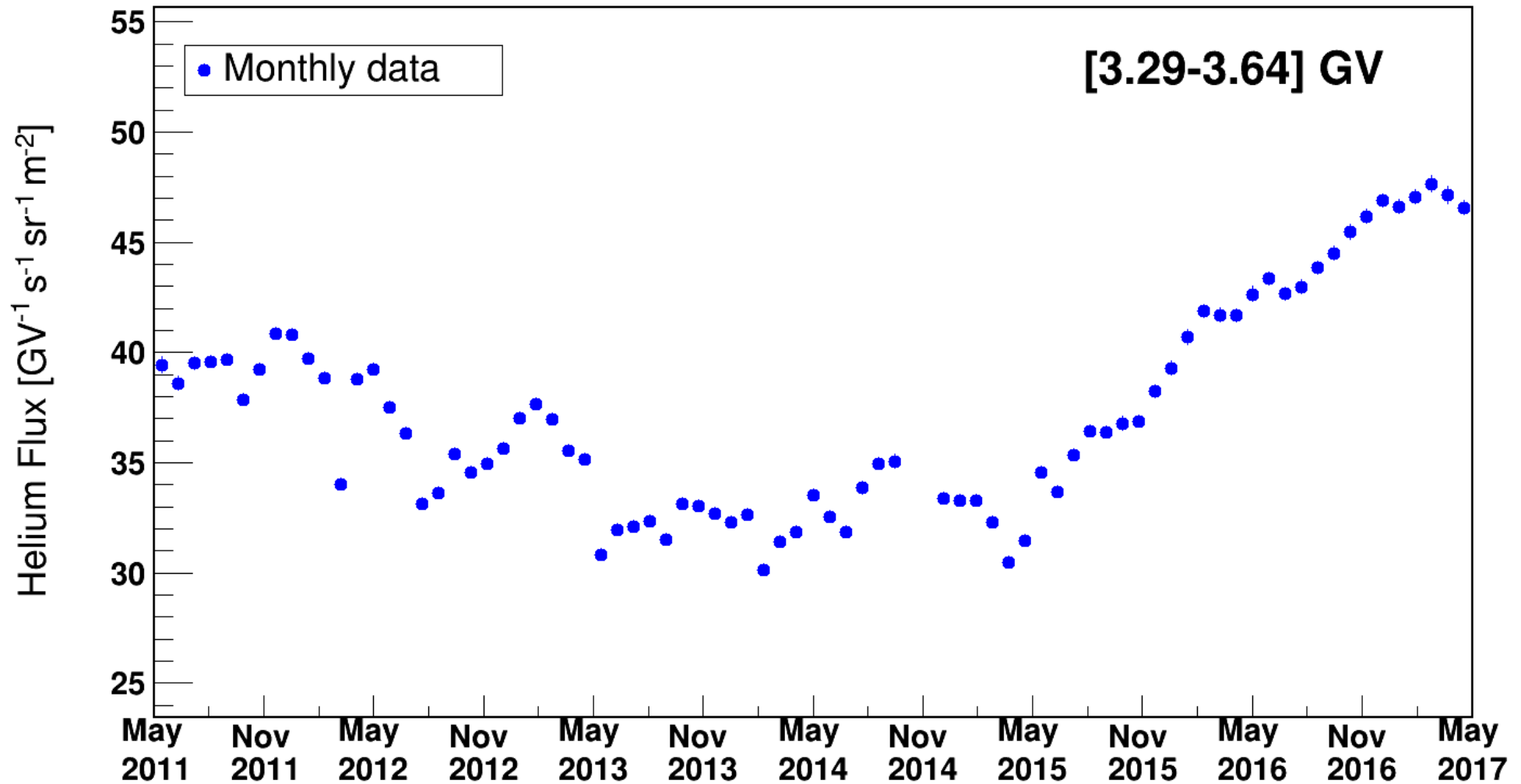
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Helium



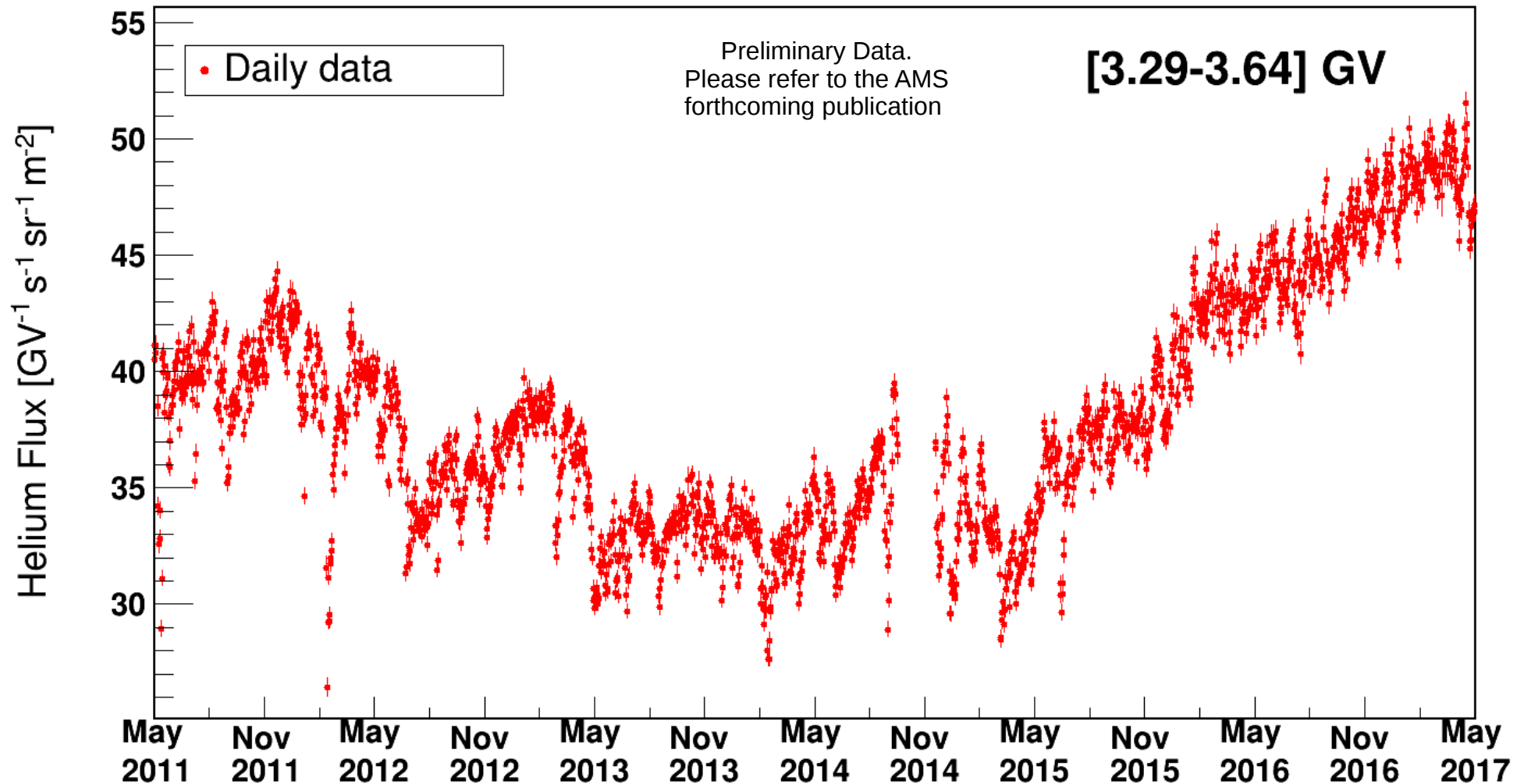
Helium Monthly Fluxes May 2011-May 2017

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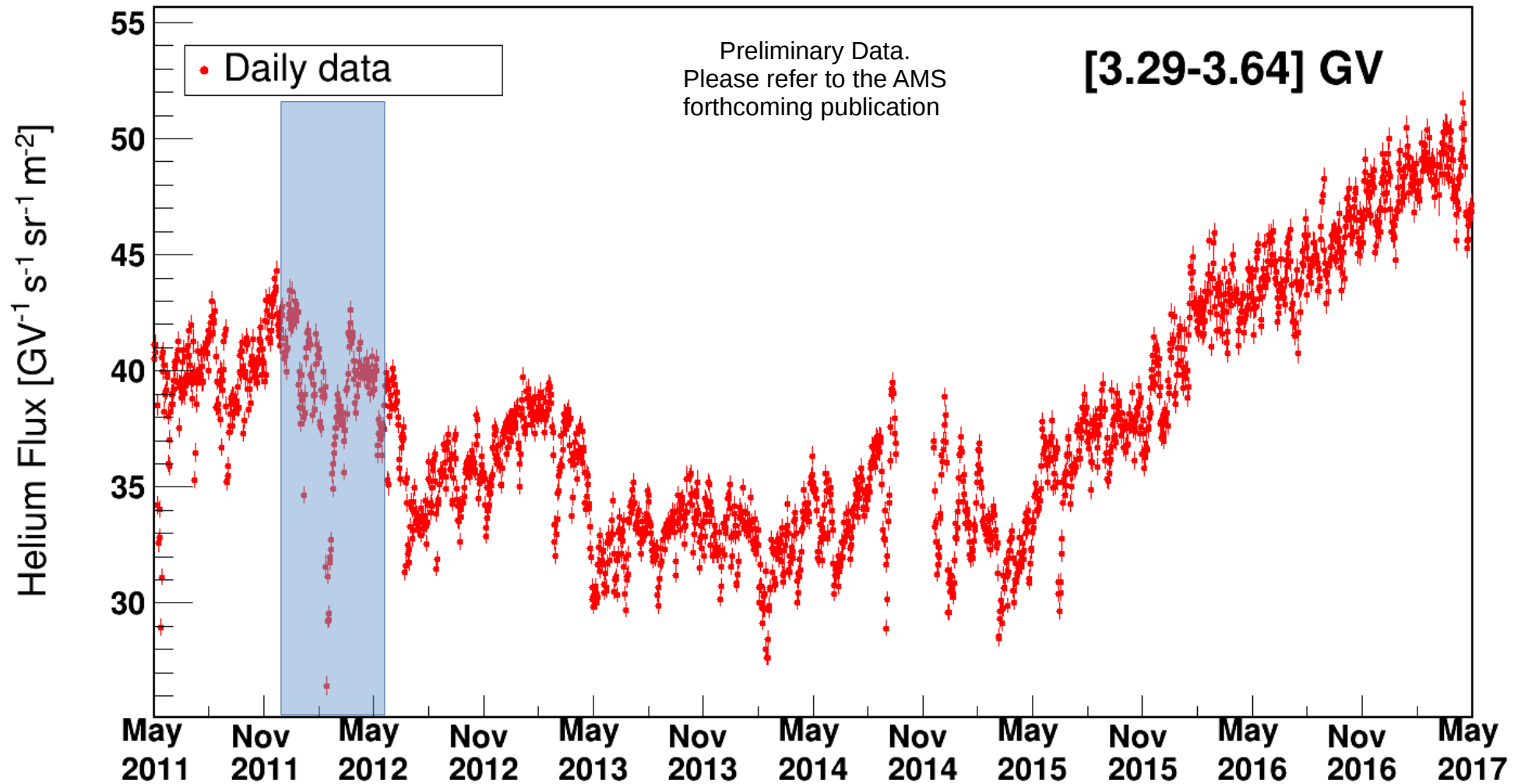
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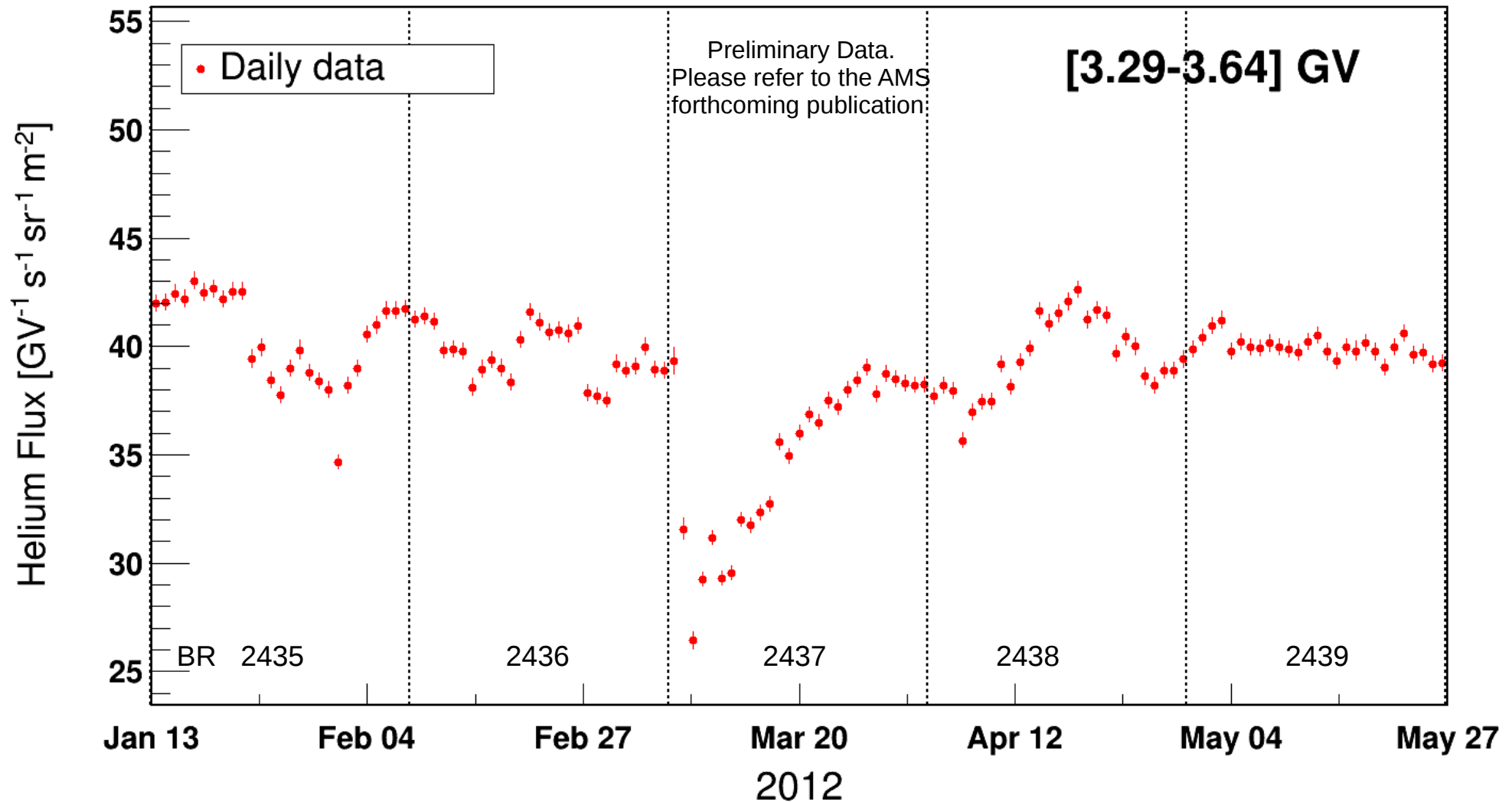
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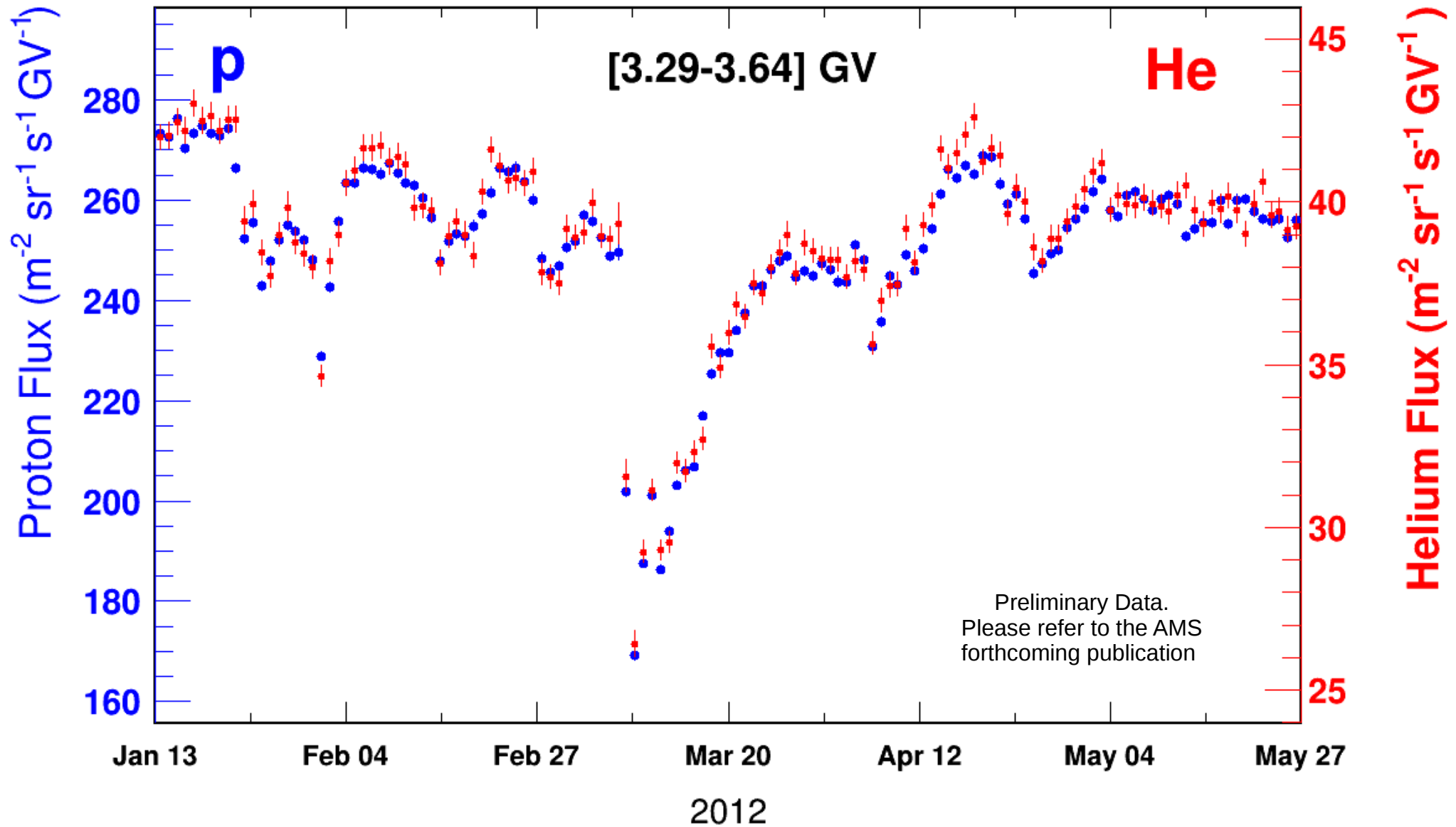


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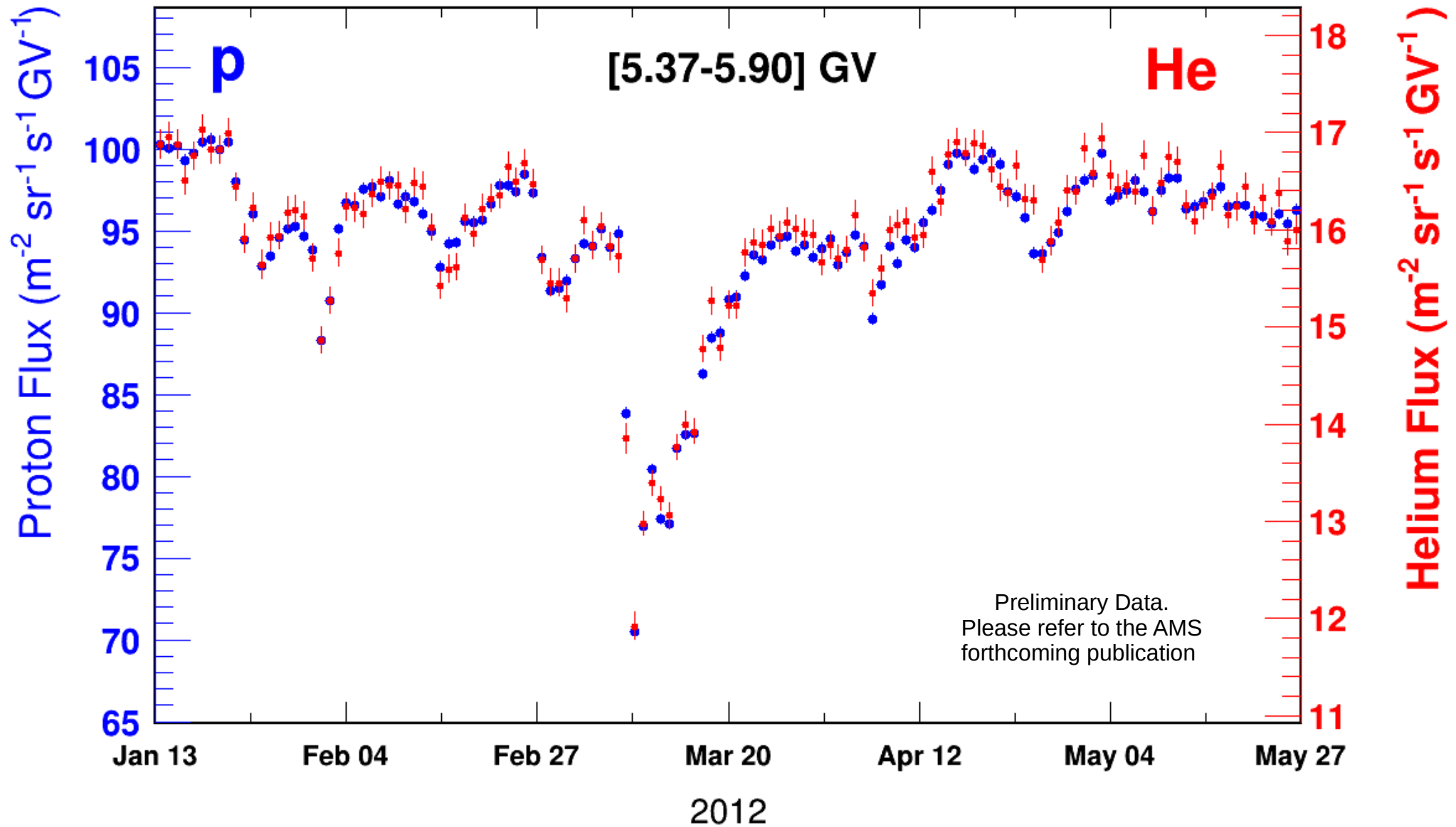
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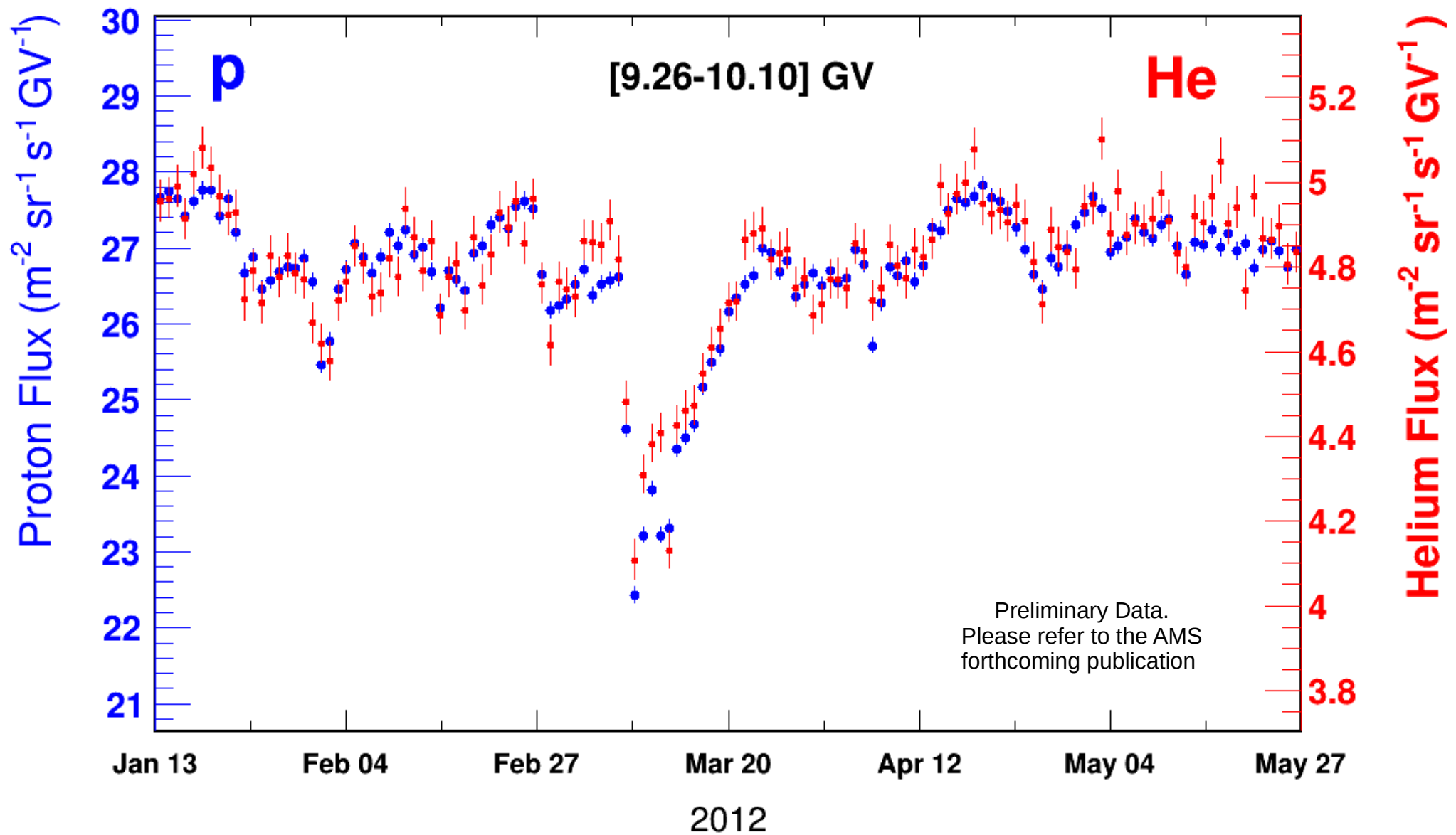
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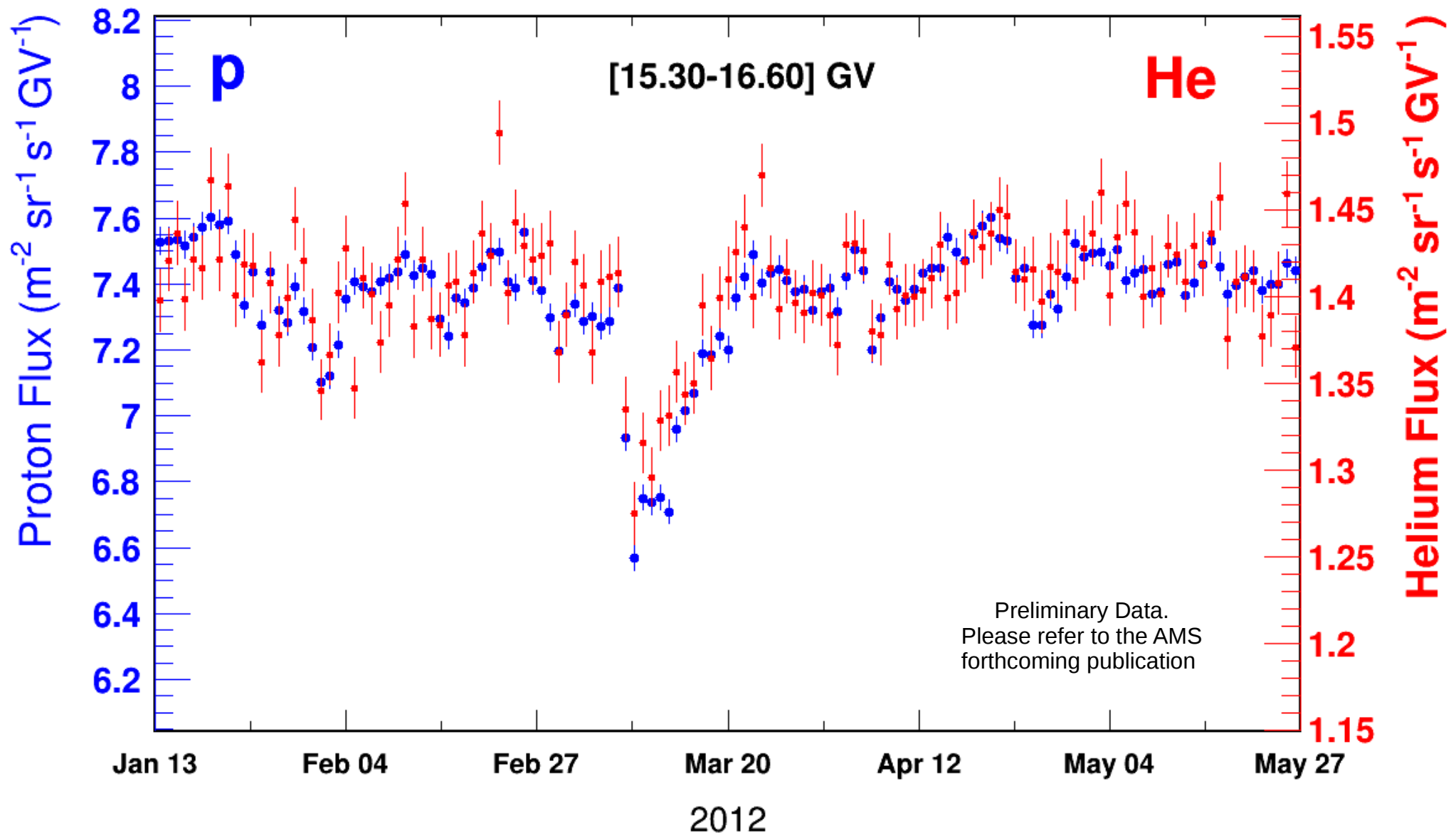
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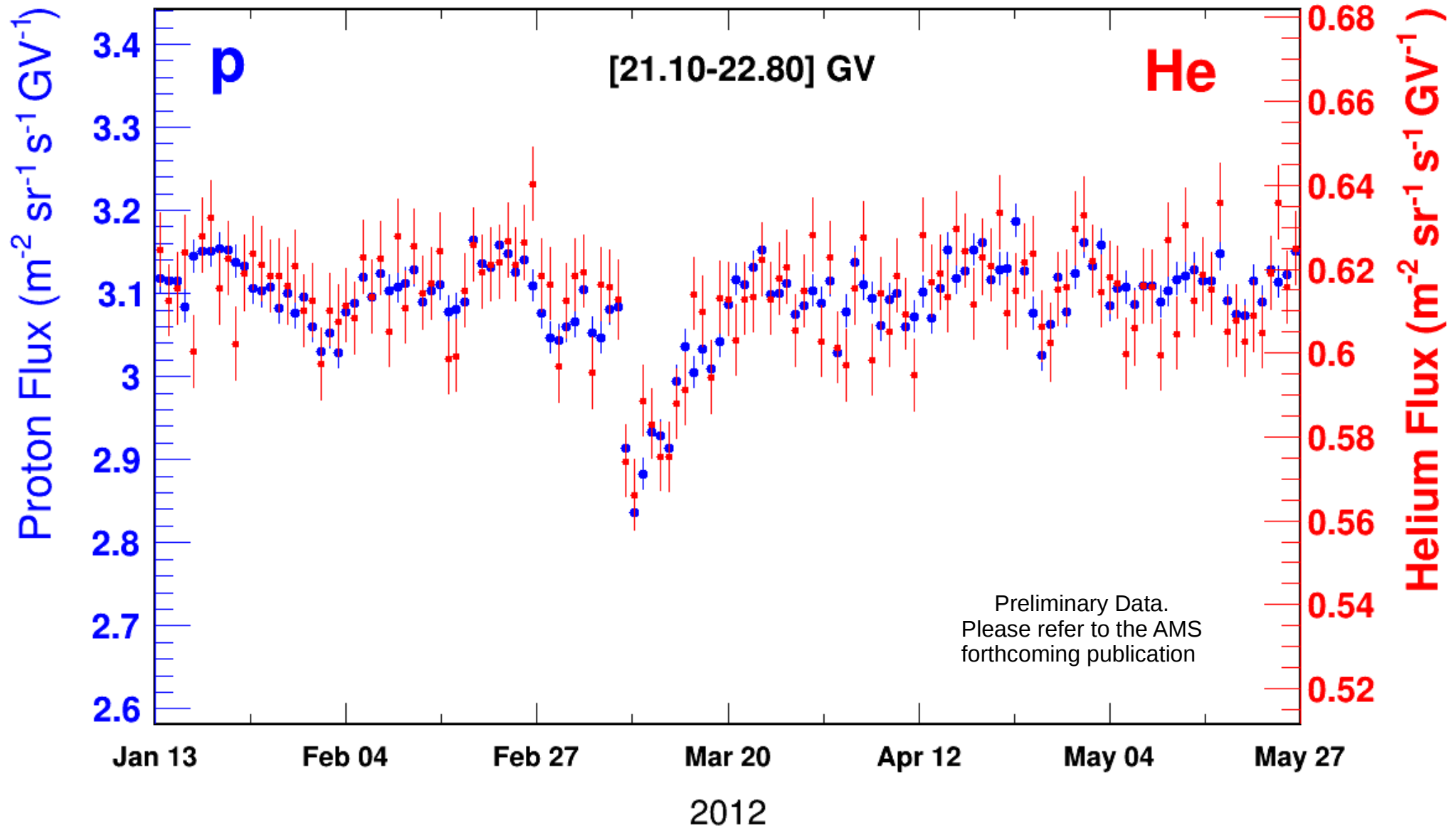
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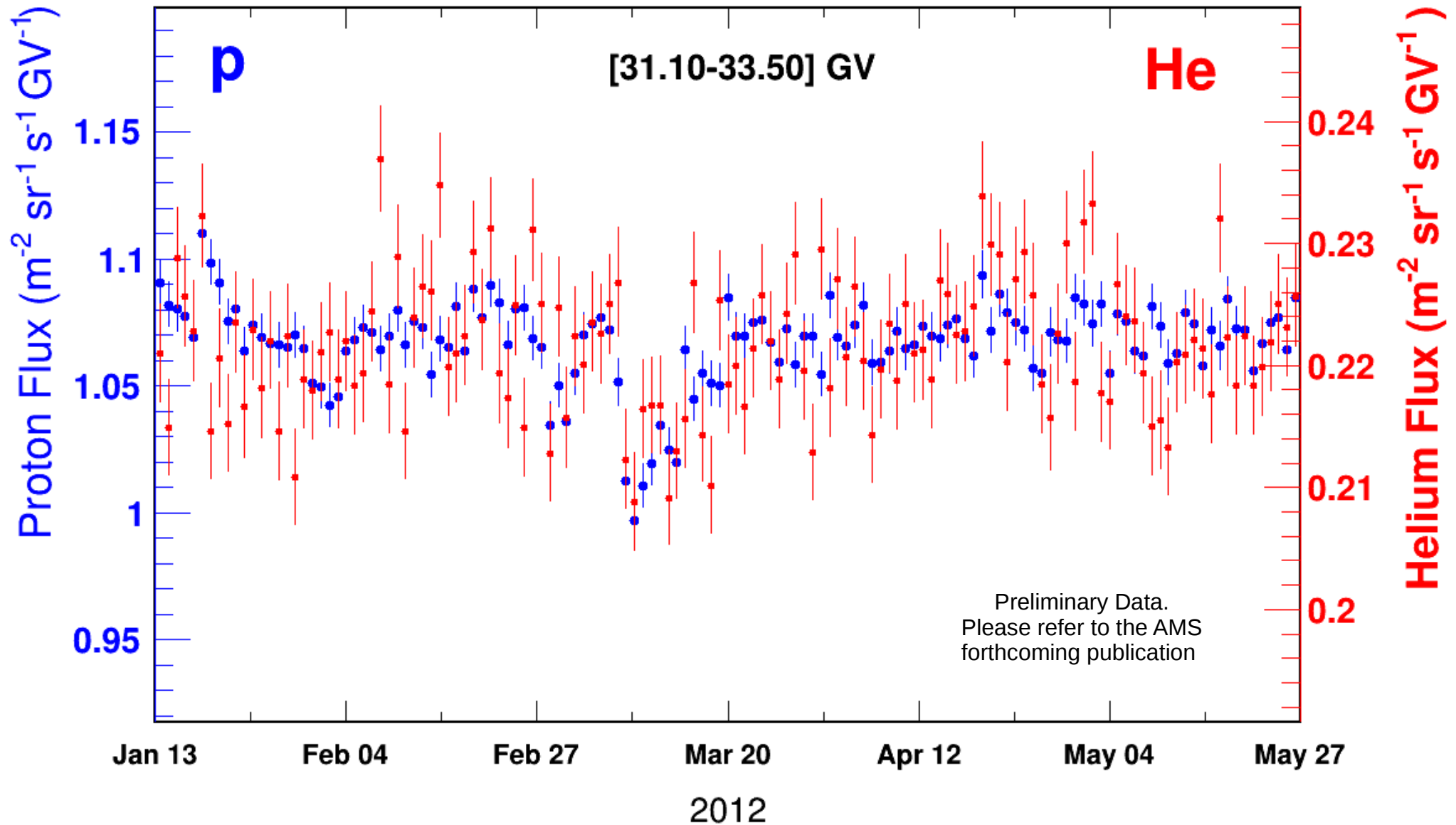
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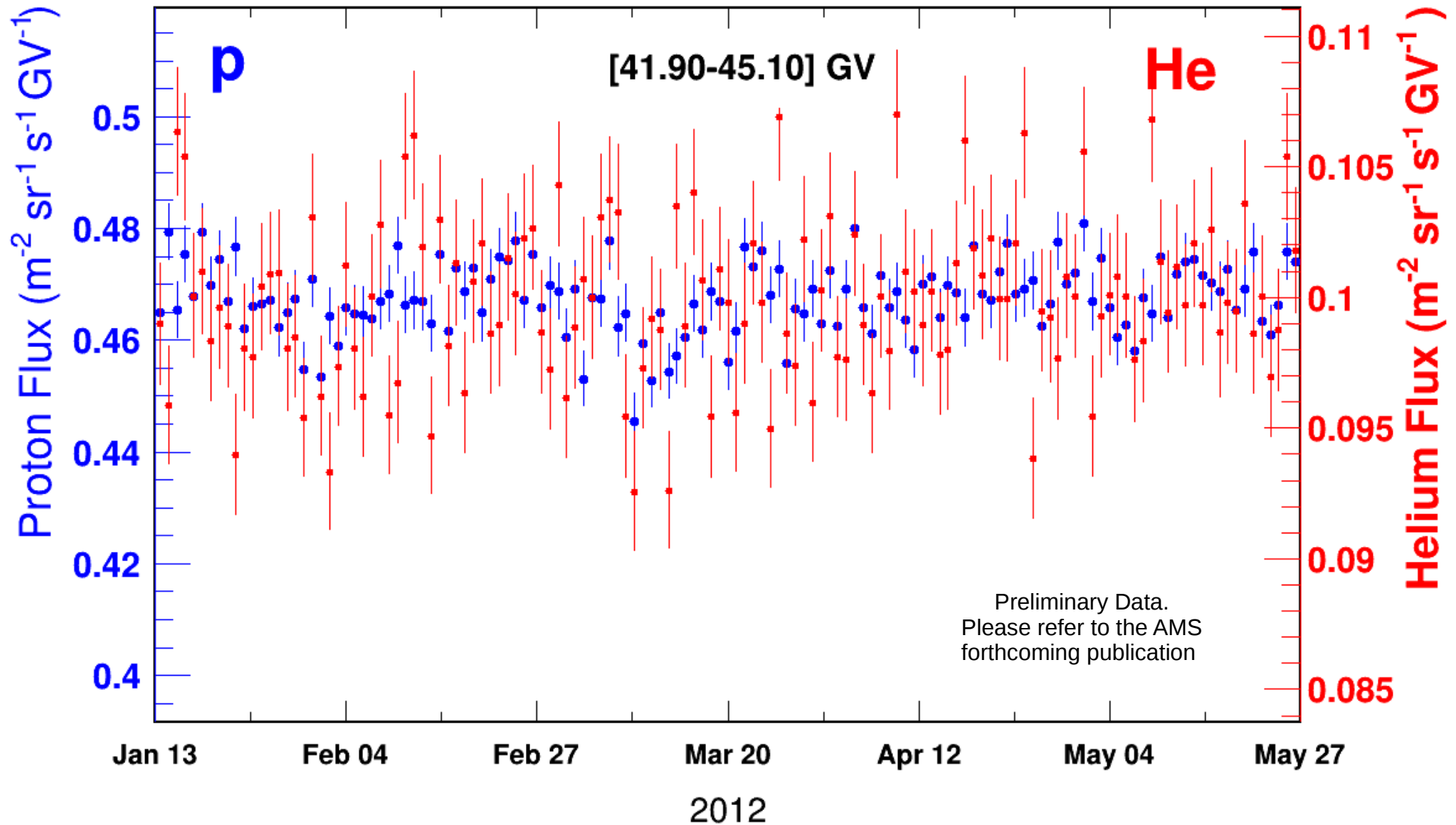
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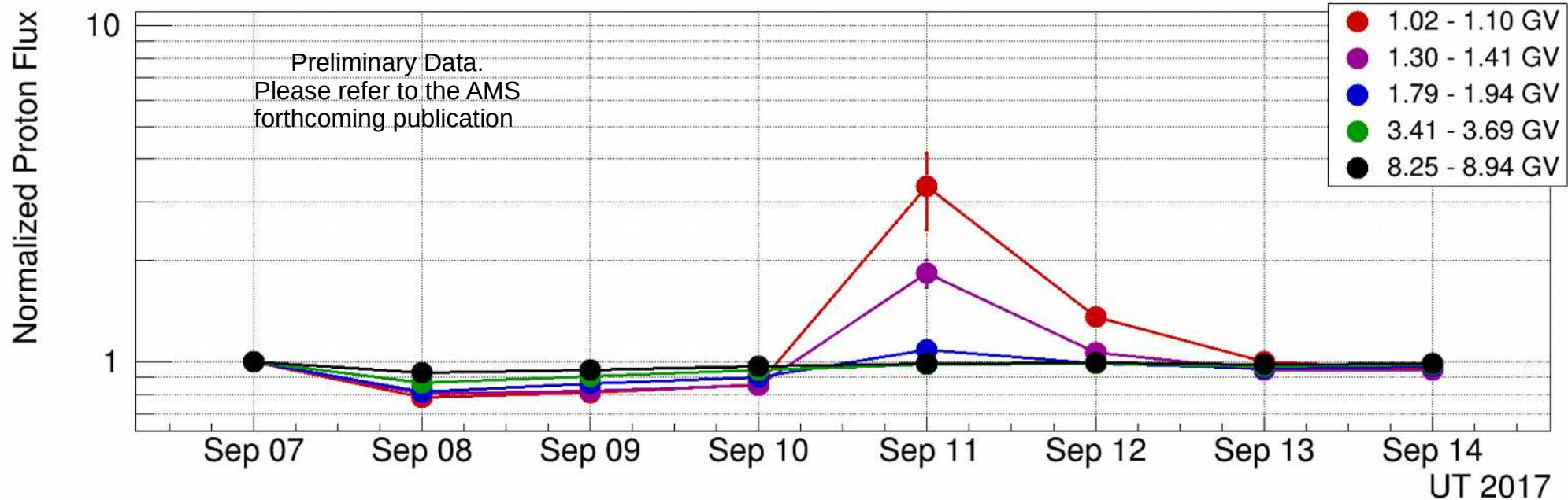
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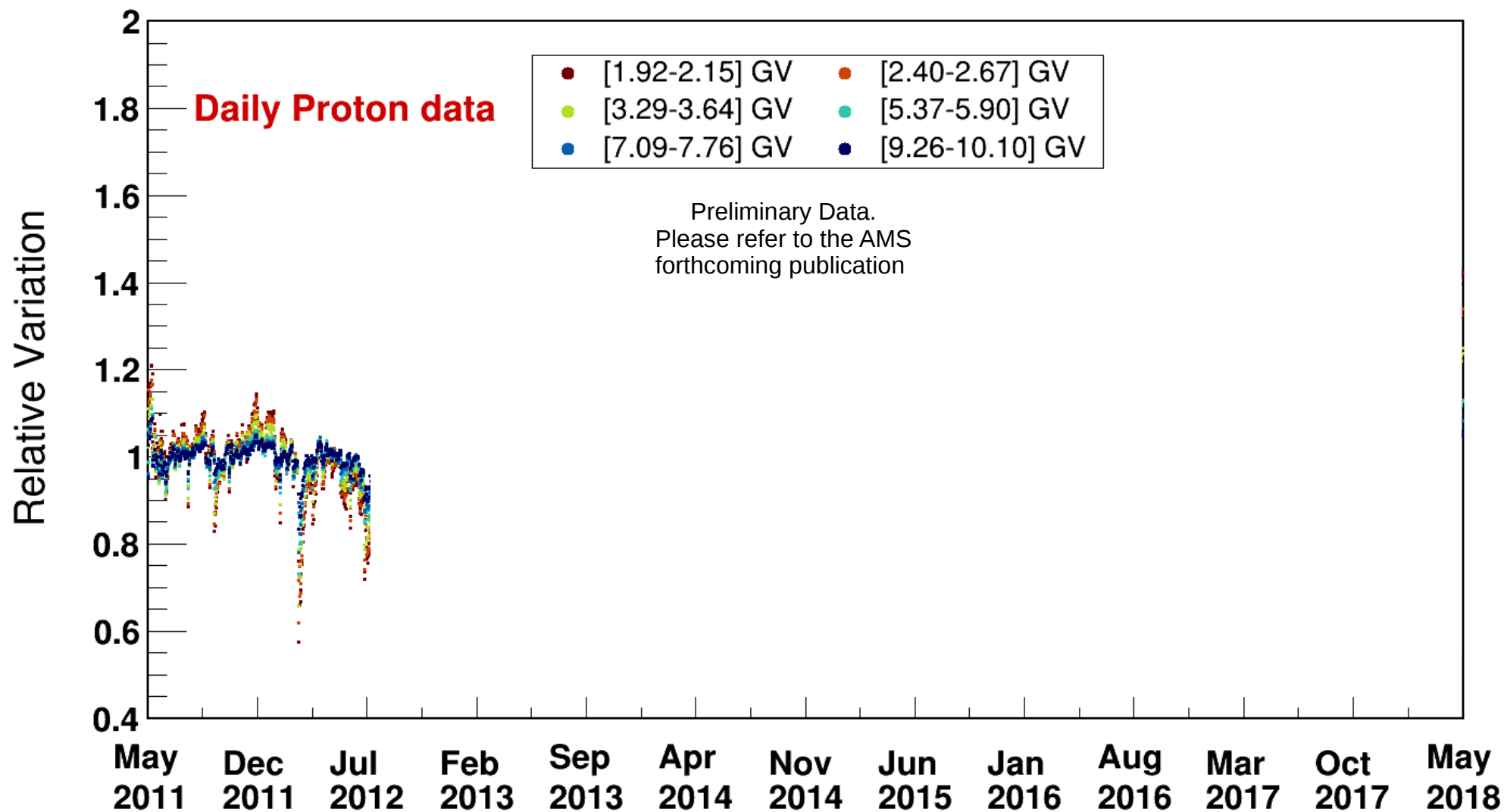


September 2017 SEP Event

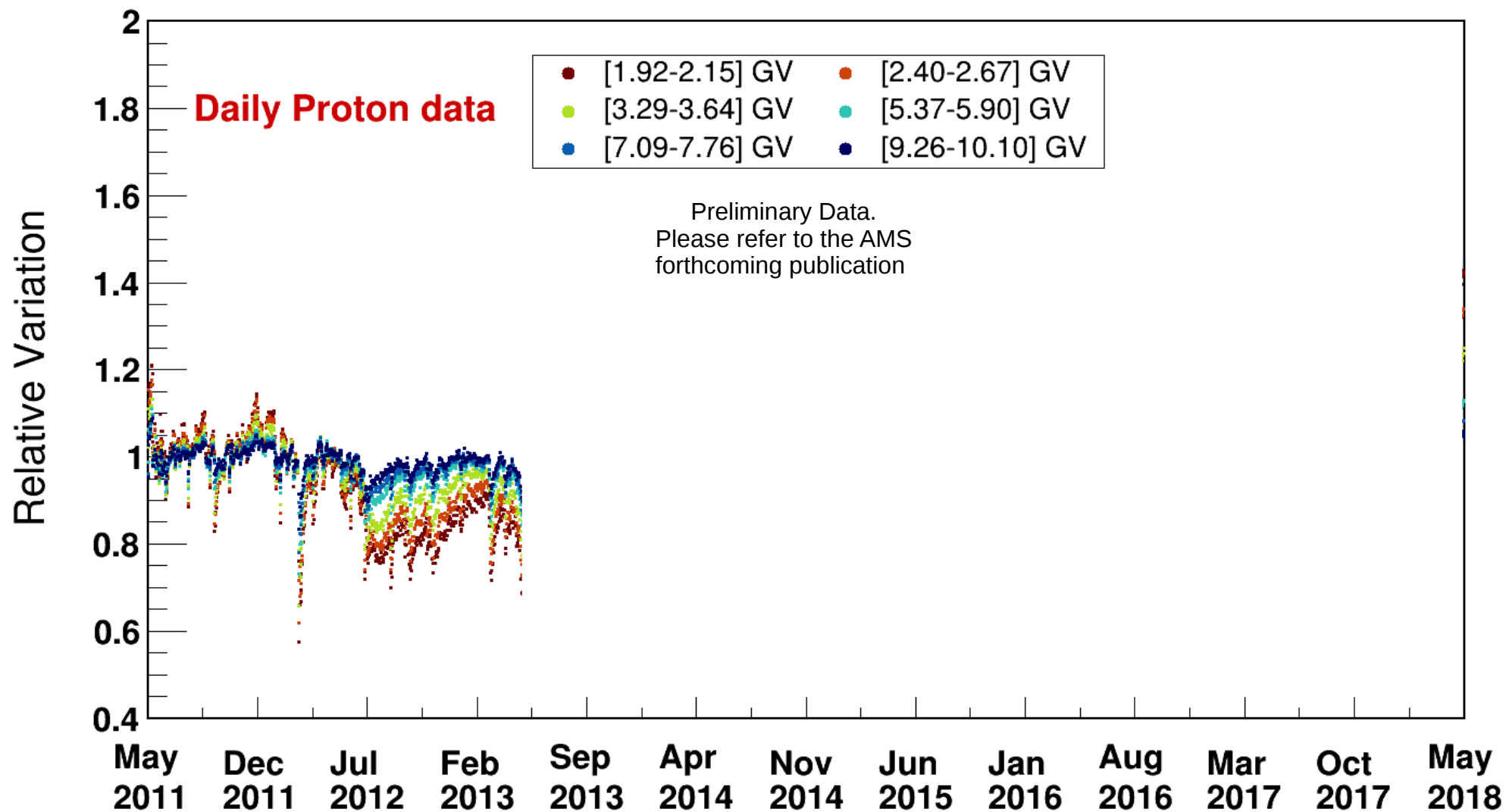


- Most recent Ground Level Enhancement (GLE) SEP event.
- X8.2 Flare at 16:06 on the 10th of Sept.
- Fast (2868 km/s) Halo CME associated with this event
- Interesting event because this was a GLE that occurred deep into the descending phase of solar activity.

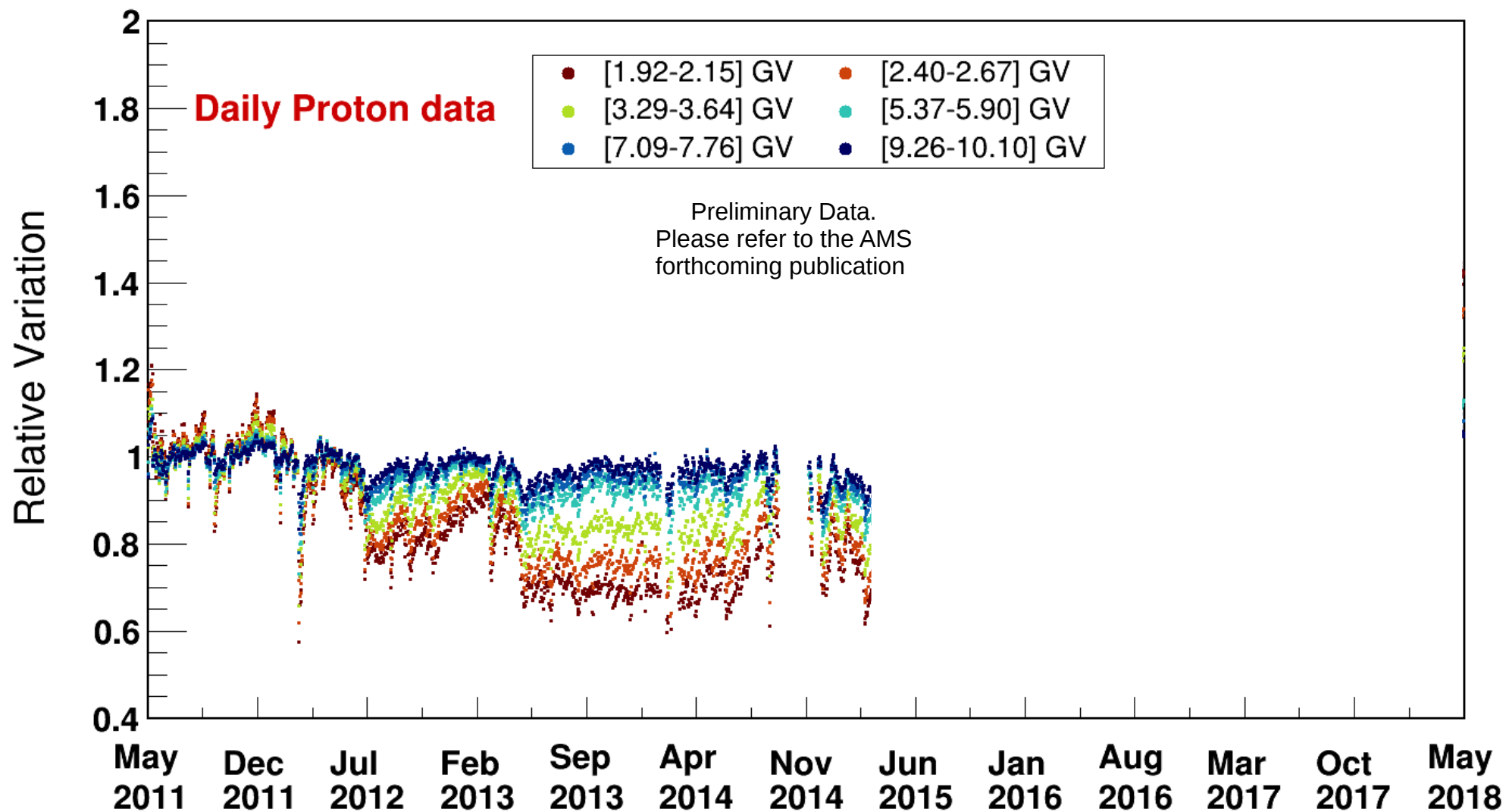
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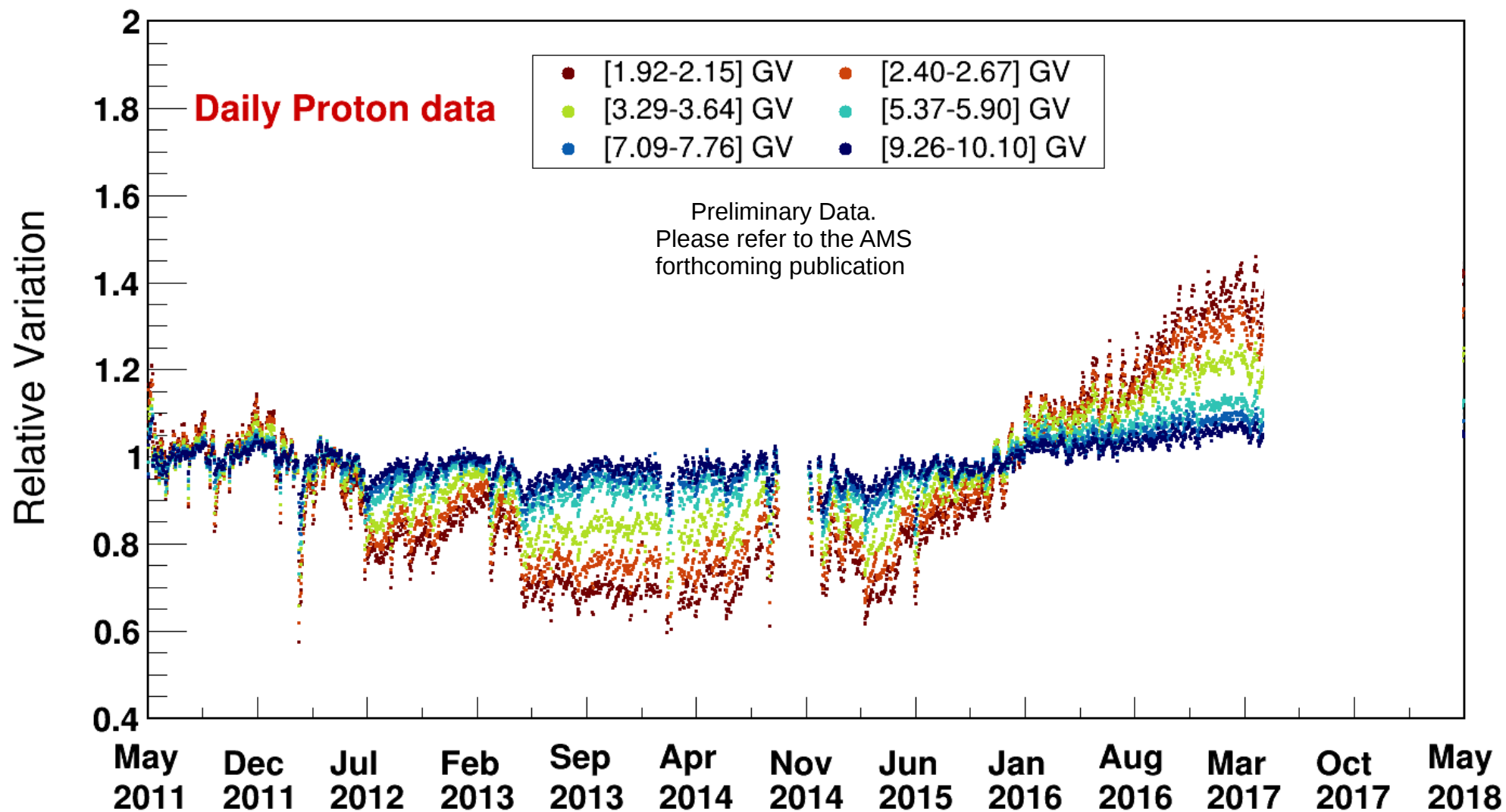
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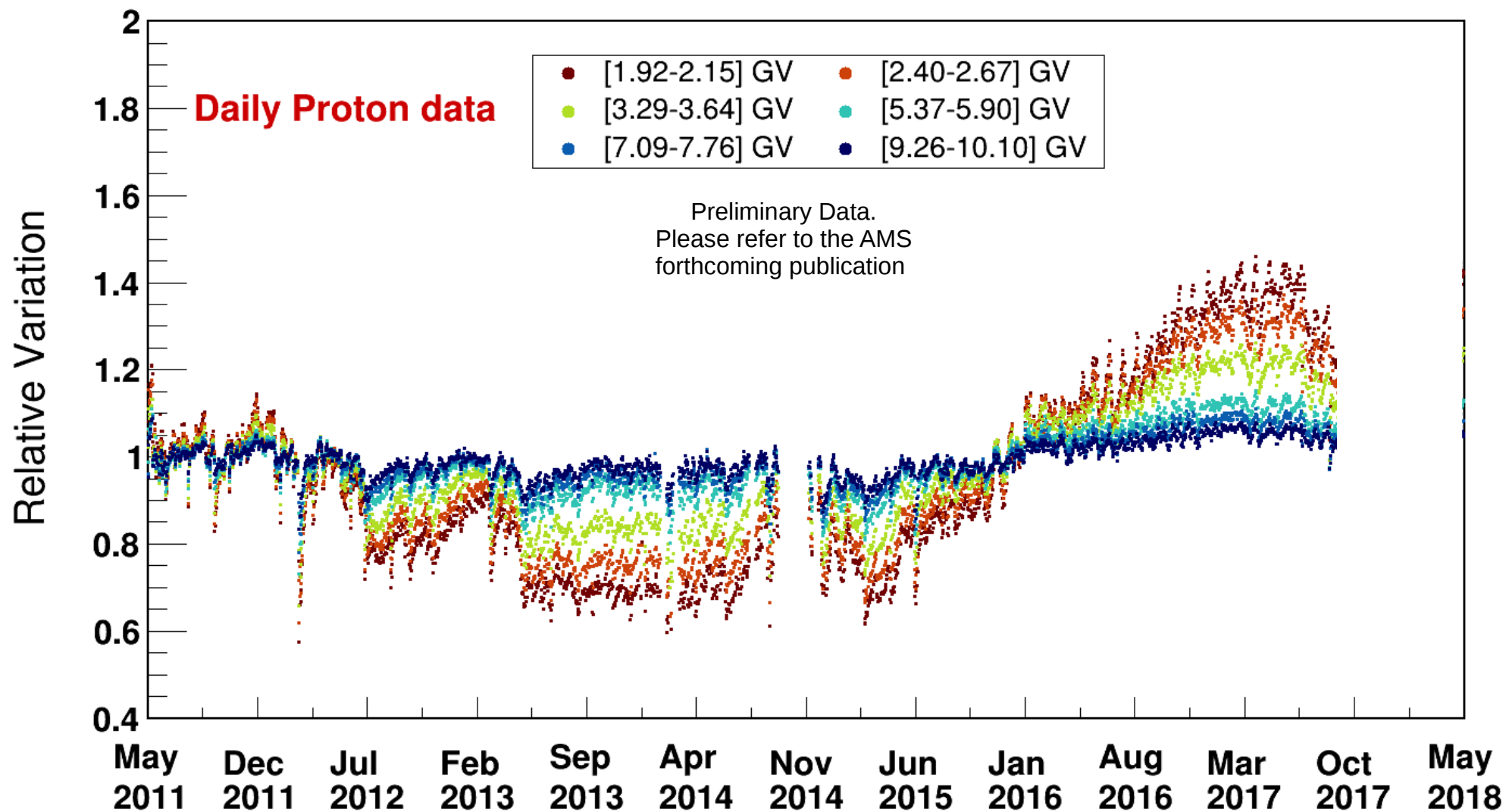
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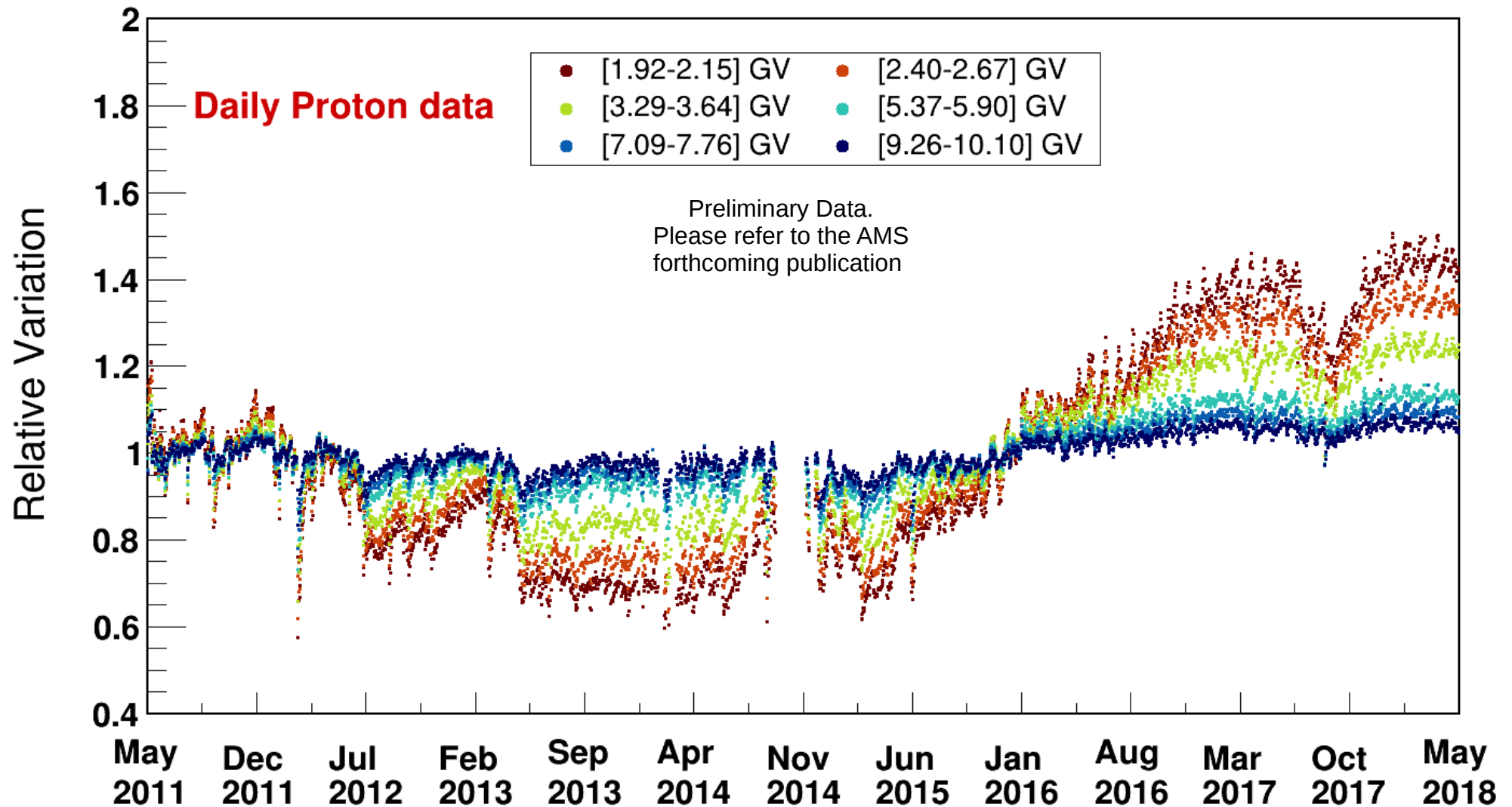
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Summary

- Seven years of AMS data were analyzed.
- Proton and Helium daily fluxes were measured during solar cycle 24.
- Proton and Helium daily fluxes show nearly identical substructures up to ~ 40 GV.
- The comparison of multiple rigidity ranges shows different behaviors depending on the solar cycle phase.