

Astrofisica Nucleare e Subnucleare
GeV Astrophysics II

Exercise #4

- Find the web sites of AGILE and Fermi/LAT
- Check the status of future gamma-ray detectors (CALET, DAMPE, Gamma-400(?), HERD)

AGILE

RECENT DETECTIONS

Gamma-ray flare from Cygnus X-3 detected by AGILE
ATel # 13458

Swift X-ray Observations of the Repeating FRB 180916.J0158+65
ATel # 13446

AGILE gamma-ray observations of Cygnus X-3 during the current quenched/hypersoft state
ATel # 13423

AGILE detection of enhanced gamma-ray activity from the FSRQ PKS 0208-512
ATel # 13352

Enhanced gamma-ray activity from Eta Carinae
ATel # 13329

AGILE confirmation of the gamma-ray flaring activity from the narrow-line Seyfert 1 Galaxy PKS 2004-447
ATel # 13244



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Time elapsed since the AGILE launch on April 23, 2007 at 10:00 GMT

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AGILE Launch

AGILE Principal Investigator and ASI Directors



<http://agile.rm.iasf.cnr.it/>

AGILE

The screenshot shows the top section of the AGILE website. At the top left is the SSDC logo (Space Science Data Center) with a globe. In the center is the main title 'Space Science Data Center' in large orange letters. To the right is the ASI logo (Agenzia Spaziale Italiana). Below the title is a navigation menu with links: Home, About SSDC, News and Communication, Quick Look, Missions, Multimission Archive, Catalogs, Tools, Links, Bibliographic services, Helpdesk, and Privacy. Below the menu is a banner image of the AGILE satellite in space, with the text 'AGILE Science Data Center' overlaid. At the bottom of the banner is another navigation menu: AGILE Home, About AGILE, ASI HQ AGILE, AGILE News, AGILE Data Archive, Public Software, AGILE Pointings, AGILE Catalogs, Restricted Area, Guest Observer Program, User Feedback Form, AGILE Workshops, and Agile Helpdesk.

Welcome to the AGILE Data Center Home Page at SSDC

These pages provide updated information and services in support to the general scientific community for the mission AGILE, which is a small Scientific Mission of the Italian Space Agency (ASI) with participation of INFN, IASF/INAF and CIFS .

AGILE is devoted to gamma-ray astrophysics and it is a first and unique combination of a gamma-ray (AGILE-GRID) and a hard X-ray (SuperAGILE) instrument, for the simultaneous detection and imaging of photons in the 30 MeV - 50 GeV and in the 18 - 60 keV energy ranges. After more than 13 years of operations, AGILE is working nominally, providing valuable data and important scientific results.

AGILE operations:

Launch date 23 April, 2007

Planned Nominal Phase: 2 + 2 extended years

Elapsed: 13 years in orbit completed on 23 April, 2020

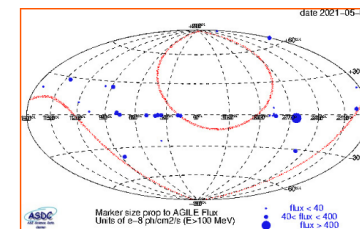
Current Extended Phase: ASI extended AGILE operations up to 31 May, 2022

The AGILE Mission Board (AMB) has executive power overseeing all the scientific matters of the AGILE Mission and is composed of:

- AGILE Principal Investigator: Marco Tavani, INAF Rome (Chair)
- ASI Project Scientist: Paolo Giommi, ASI
- ASI Mission Director: Fabio D'Amico, ASI
(Former ASI Mission Directors: Luca Salotti, up to September 20, 2010 and Giovanni Valentini up to January 22, 2015)
- AGILE Co-Principal Investigator: Guido Barbiellini, INFN Trieste
- 1 ASI representative: Elisabetta Tommasi di Vignano
(Former ASI representative: Sergio Colafrancesco up to June, 2010)
- INAF Project Scientist: Carlotta Pittori (from November 10, 2020)

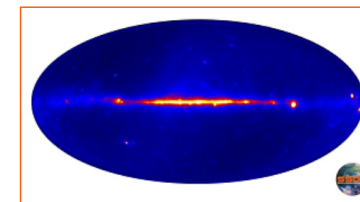
AGILE current spinning sky view

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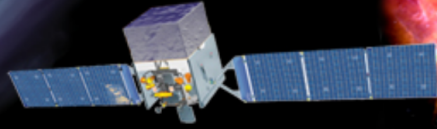


AGILE total intensity map up to Sep. 30, 2017.

<https://agile.ssdsc.asi.it/>

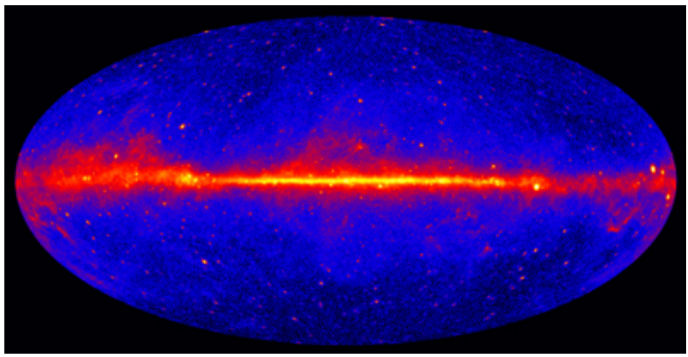
Fermi/LAT

Fermi Gamma-ray Space Telescope



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The Fermi Science Support Center (FSSC) runs the guest investigator program, creates and maintains the mission time line, provides analysis tools for the scientific community, and archives and serves the Fermi data. This web site is the portal to Fermi for all guest investigators.



This view shows the entire sky at energies greater than 1 GeV based on five years of data from the LAT instrument on NASA's Fermi Gamma-ray Space Telescope. Brighter colors indicate brighter gamma-ray sources.
Image Credit: NASA/DOE/Fermi LAT Collaboration

Look into the "Resources" section for finding schedules, publications, useful links etc. The "Proposals" section is where you will be able to find the relevant information and tools to prepare and submit proposals for guest investigator projects. At "Data" you will be able to access the Fermi databases and find the software to analyse them. Address all questions and requests to the helpdesk in "Help".

Fermi Observations for MW 675

Mission week 675 starts with a continuation of the asymmetric rocking +50/-60 profile from the previous week. On day of year 126 (2021-05-06) at 01:59 there is a 10 minute freeze observation during which an updated asymmetric profile is loaded. This profile continues until DOY 129 (2021-05-09) at 03:01 when there is a 10 minute freeze observation during which a symmetric +/-50 deg. profile is loaded. This profile continues until the end of the week. Note that positive rock angles are south, and negative angles are north.

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Latest News

» [Fermi Sky Blog](#)
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Apr 20, 2021

Updated Spacecraft Position and History Files Available

The updated files include the addition of the SC_VELOCITY column. This column contains a vector with the spacecraft velocity in meters per

<https://fermi.gsfc.nasa.gov/ssc/>

Fermi/LAT

Stanford | The Fermi Large Area
Telescope

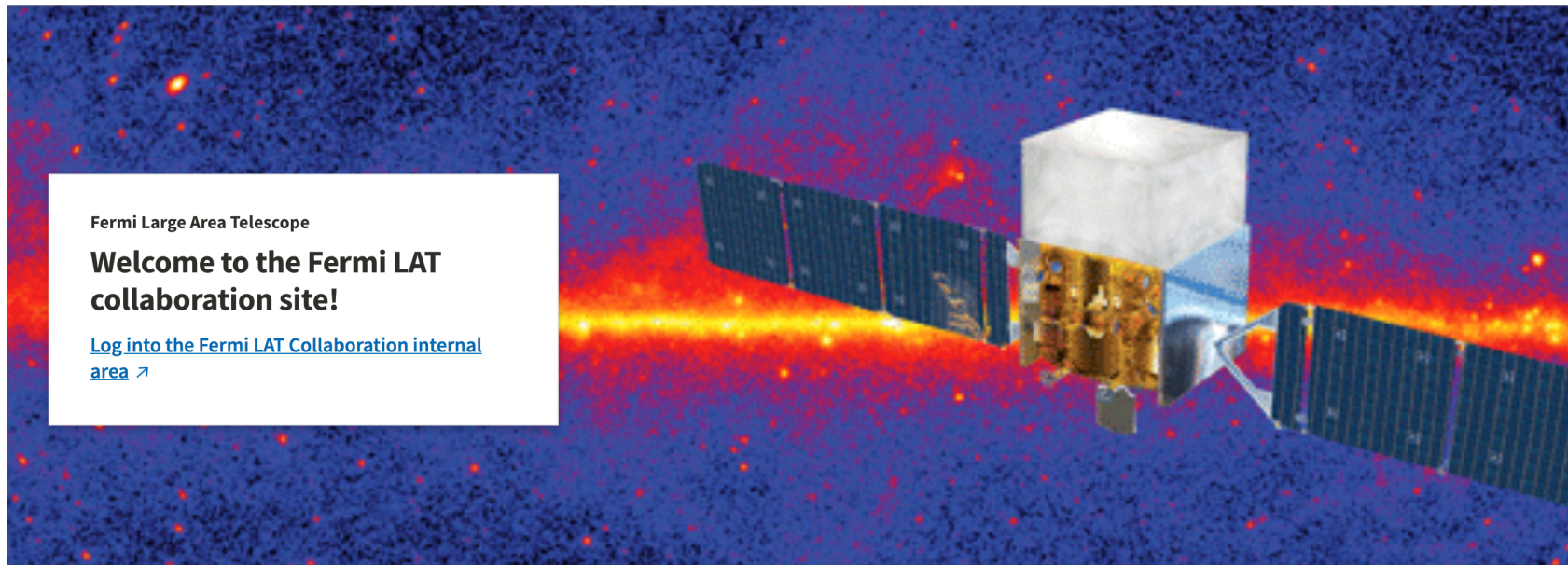
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CALET

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Calorimetric Electron Telescope (CALET)
on the International Space Station for High Energy Astroparticle Physics



News - CALET LAUNCHED



2015 August 24th: CALET reaches the ISS. The Japanese Aerospace Exploration Agency's (JAXA) "Kounotori" H-II Transfer Vehicle (HTV-5) carrying the CALET...

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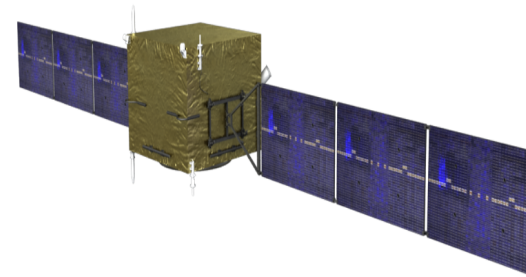
<http://calet.pi.infn.it/>

DAMPE

DArk Matter Particle Explorer

DAMPE has been launched the 17th December 2015 at 00:12 UTC!

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HERD

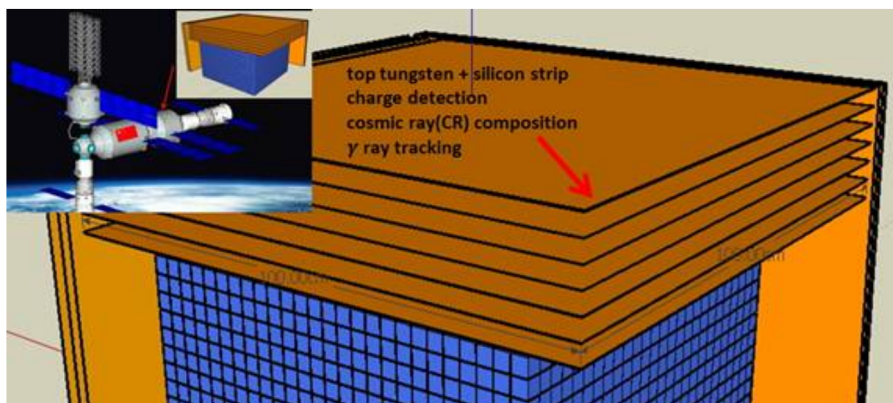
HERD The High Energy cosmic Radiation Detection facility

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The High Energy cosmic Radiation Detection facility (HERD)

HERD(High Energy Cosmic Radiation Detection) facility is one of the Cosmic Lighthouse Program onboard China's Space Station, planned to be launched and assembled in 2020. The main science objectives of HERD onboard china's space station are detecting dark matter particle, study of cosmic ray composition and high energy gamma-ray observations. The main constraints imposed on HERD are: total weight less than around 2 tons and total power consumption less than around 2 kilowatts.

To achieve HERD's science objectives, HERD must have the capability of accurate electron and gamma-ray energy and direction measurement (tens of GeV – 10TeV), adequate cosmic ray energy measurement with charge determination (up to PeV).



News

The 3rd international workshop on HERD was held in Xi'an during Jan. 19-20, 2016.

External Links

[IHEP](#)
[China Space Station wiki](#)
[LHAASO](#)
[CR observatory in Tibet](#)
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<http://herd.ihep.ac.cn/>

Gamma-400



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NEWS

May 2021

- > 2020-03-06 Presidium of the Russian Academy of Sciences awarded the Skobeltsyn gold medal of 2019 Professor Galper A.M. Roscosmos signed with LPI the state contract for the GAMMA-400 project in 2016-2021.
- > 2017-03-14 Roscosmos signed with LPI the state contract for the GAMMA-400 project in 2016-2021.
- > 2016-06-15 In Frascati, Italy the meeting was held, which dedicated to the PAMELA experiment and the GAMMA-400 project.

PUBLICATIONS

- > Capabilities of the GAMMA-400 gamma-ray telescope to detect gamma-ray bursts from lateral directions
- > Design of the readout electronics for the fast trigger and time of flight of the GAMMA-400 gamma-ray telescope
- > Capabilities of the GAMMA-400 gamma-ray telescope for lateral aperture

RELATED LINKS

- > Russian Federal Space Agency
<http://www.roscosmos.ru/>
- > National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)
<http://www.nasa.gov/>
- > Italian Space Agency (ASI)
<http://www.asi.it/en>

GAMMA-400 scientific complex



GAMMA-400

Happy New Year



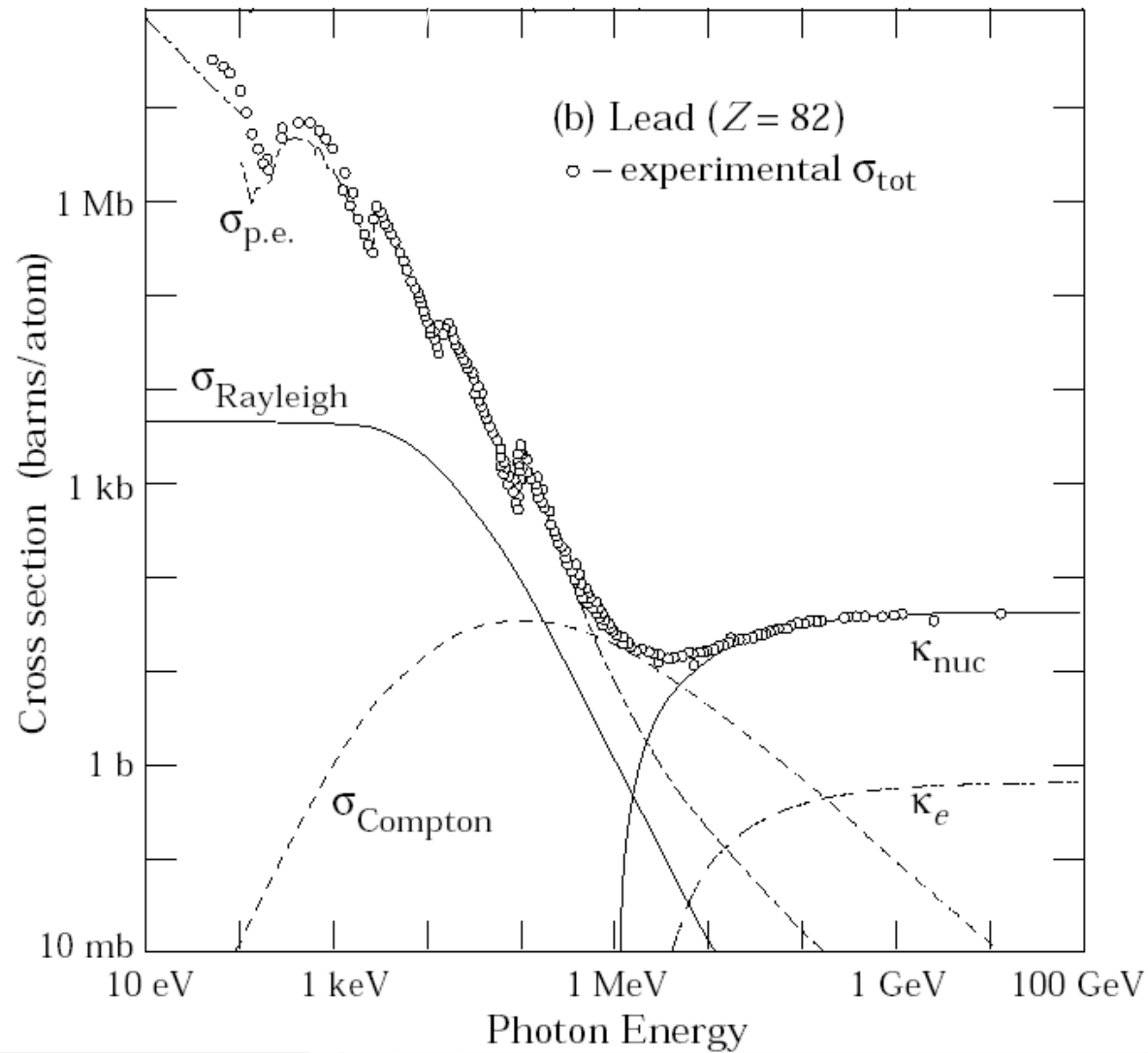
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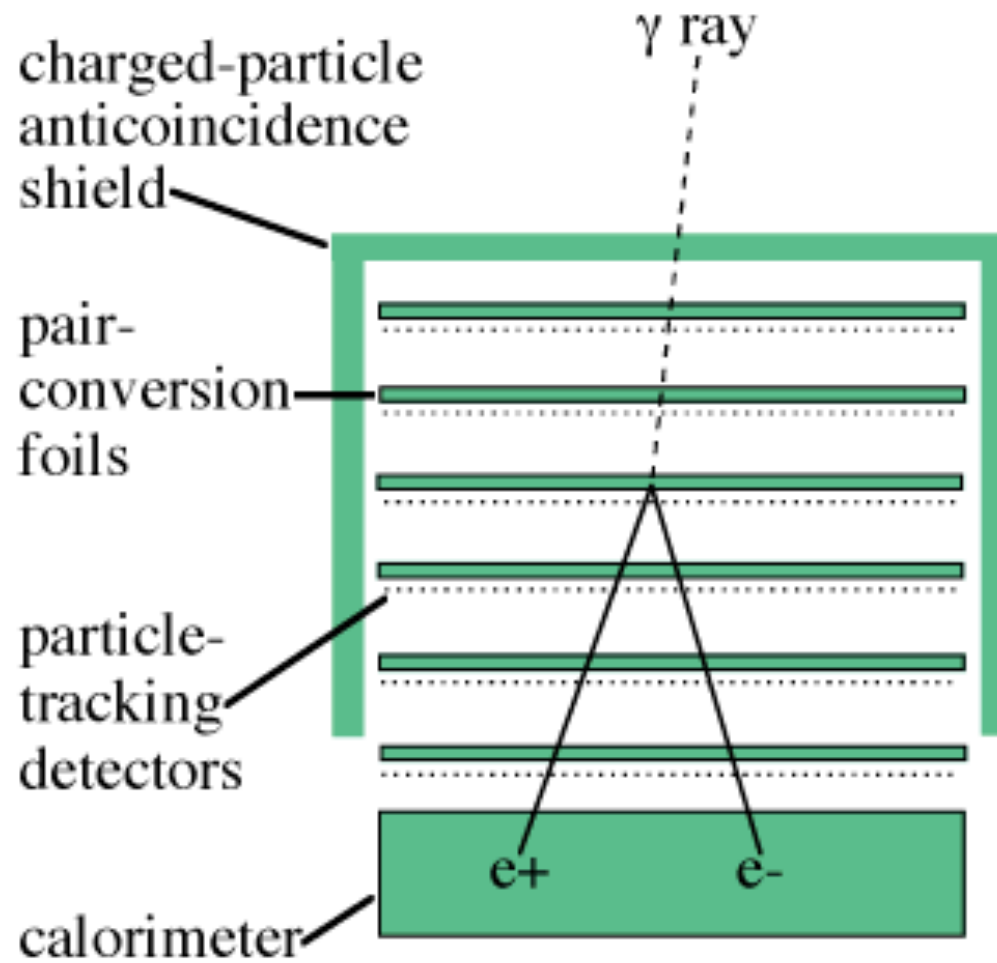
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<https://gamma400.lebedev.ru/indexeng.html>

Photon Interactions



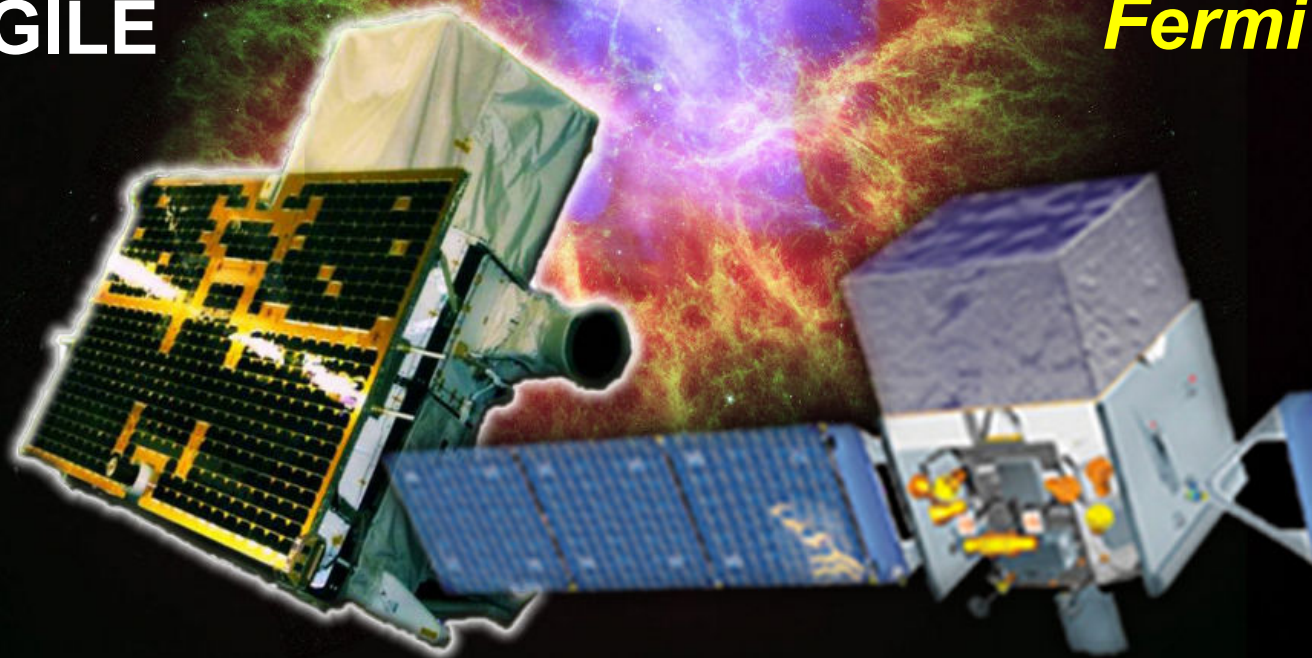
Detector Project



Gamma-ray astrophysics above 100 MeV

AGILE

Fermi

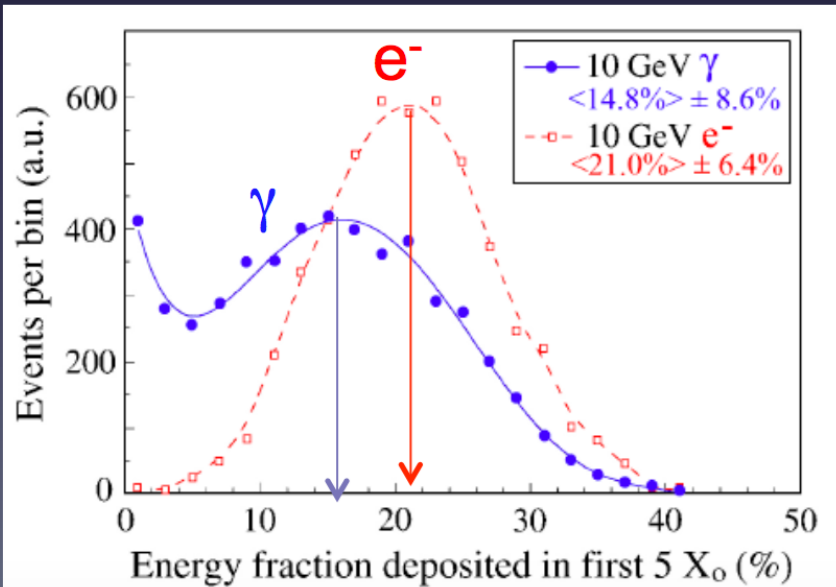
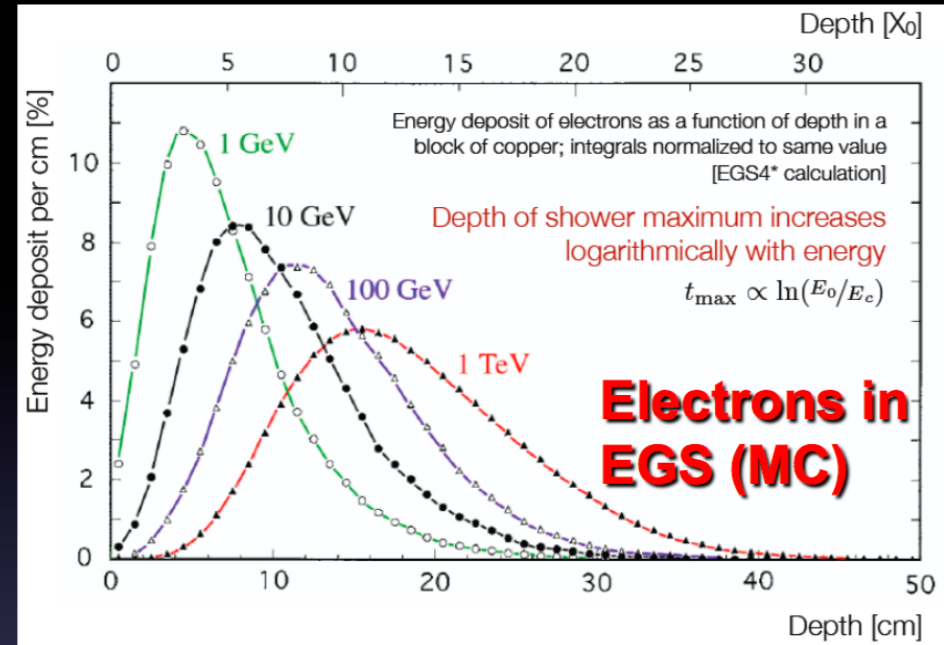
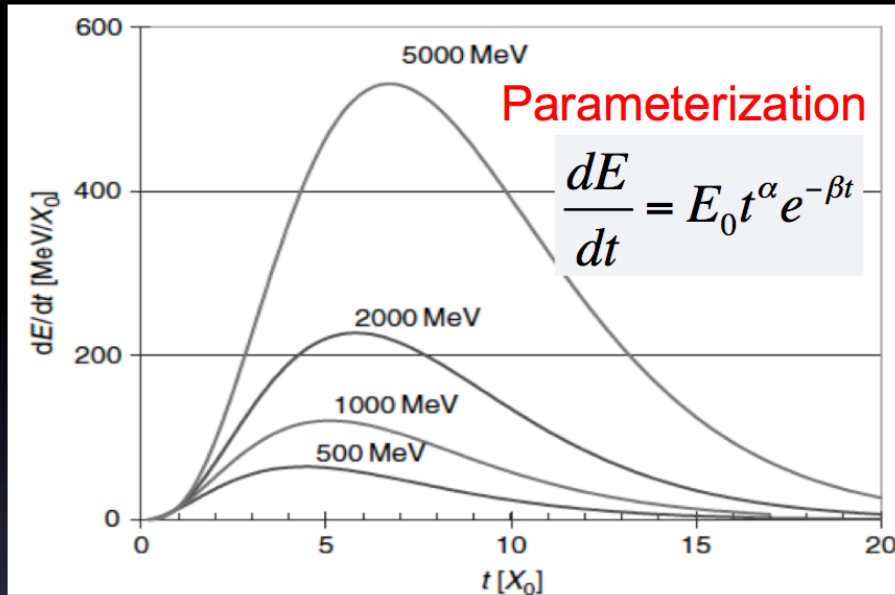


Picture of the day, Feb. 28, 2011, NASA-HEASARC[®]

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Electromagnetic Showers

Longitudinal shower distribution

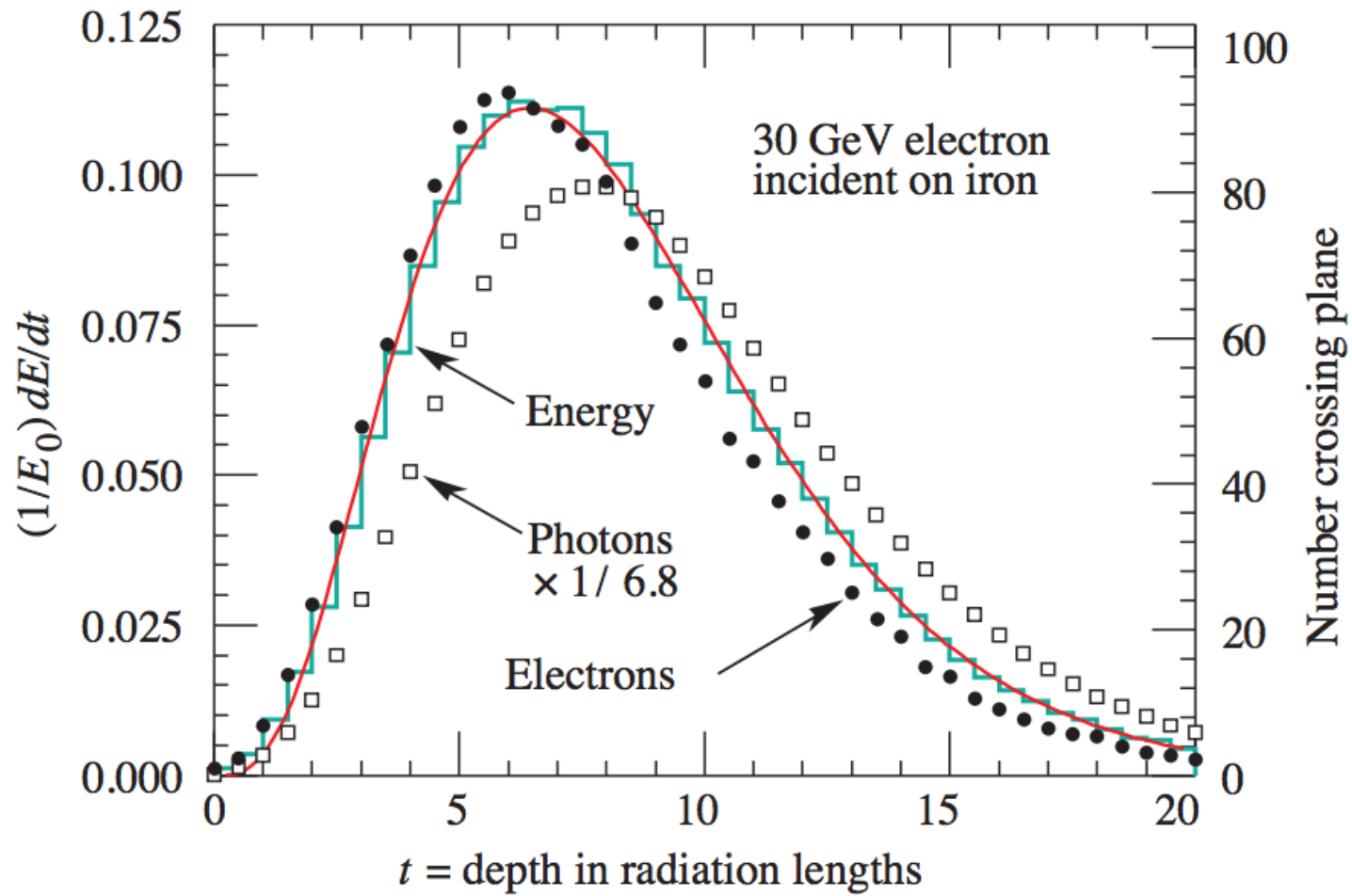


- Differences between electrons and photons generated showers
- Some photons penetrating (almost) the entire slab without interacting (peak at 0)

$$t_{\max} = \ln\left(\frac{E_0}{E_c}\right) + C_{ey}$$

$C_{ey} = -0.5$ for photons
 $C_{ey} = -1$ for electrons

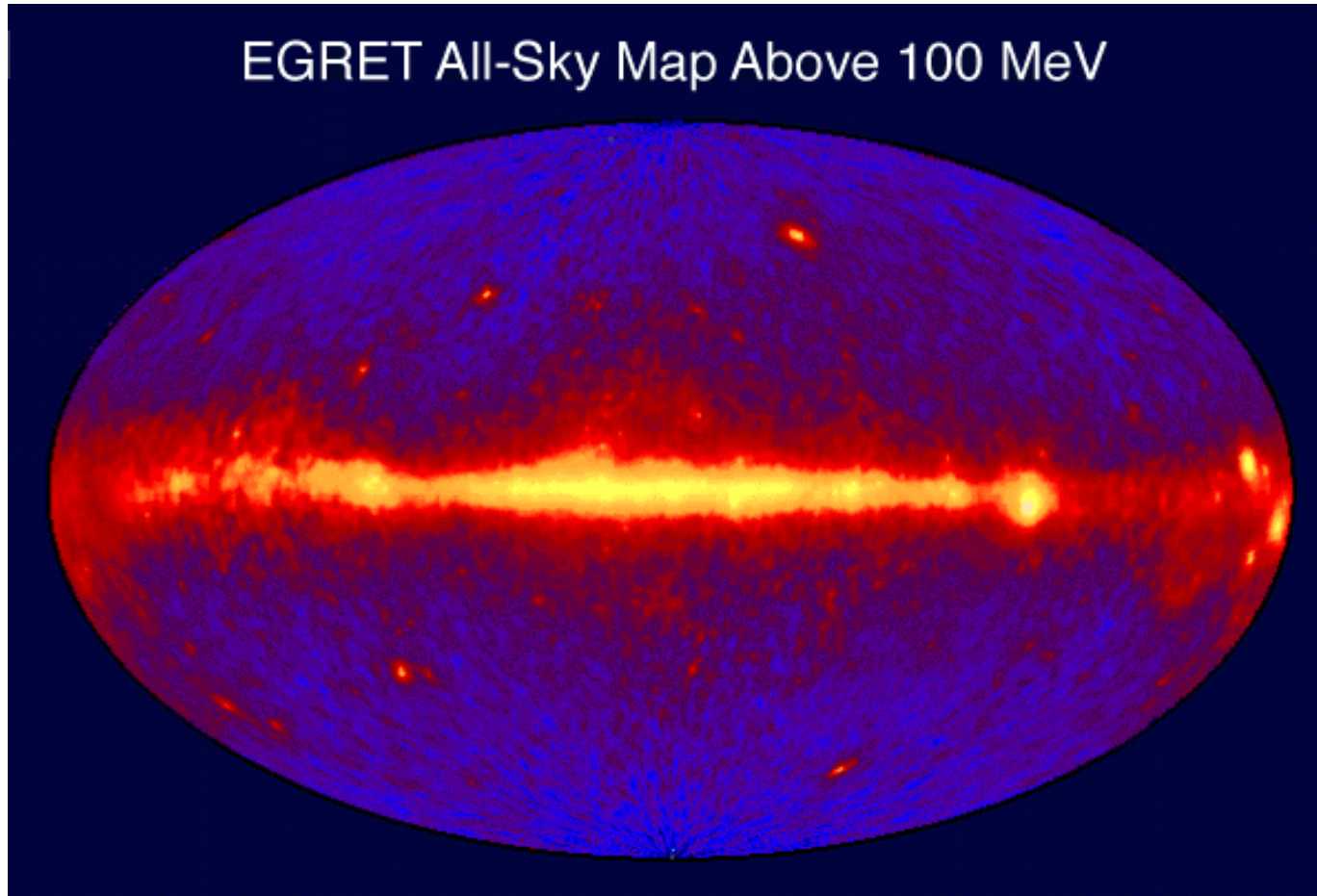
Electromagnetic Showers



HE Gamma-ray Astrophysics

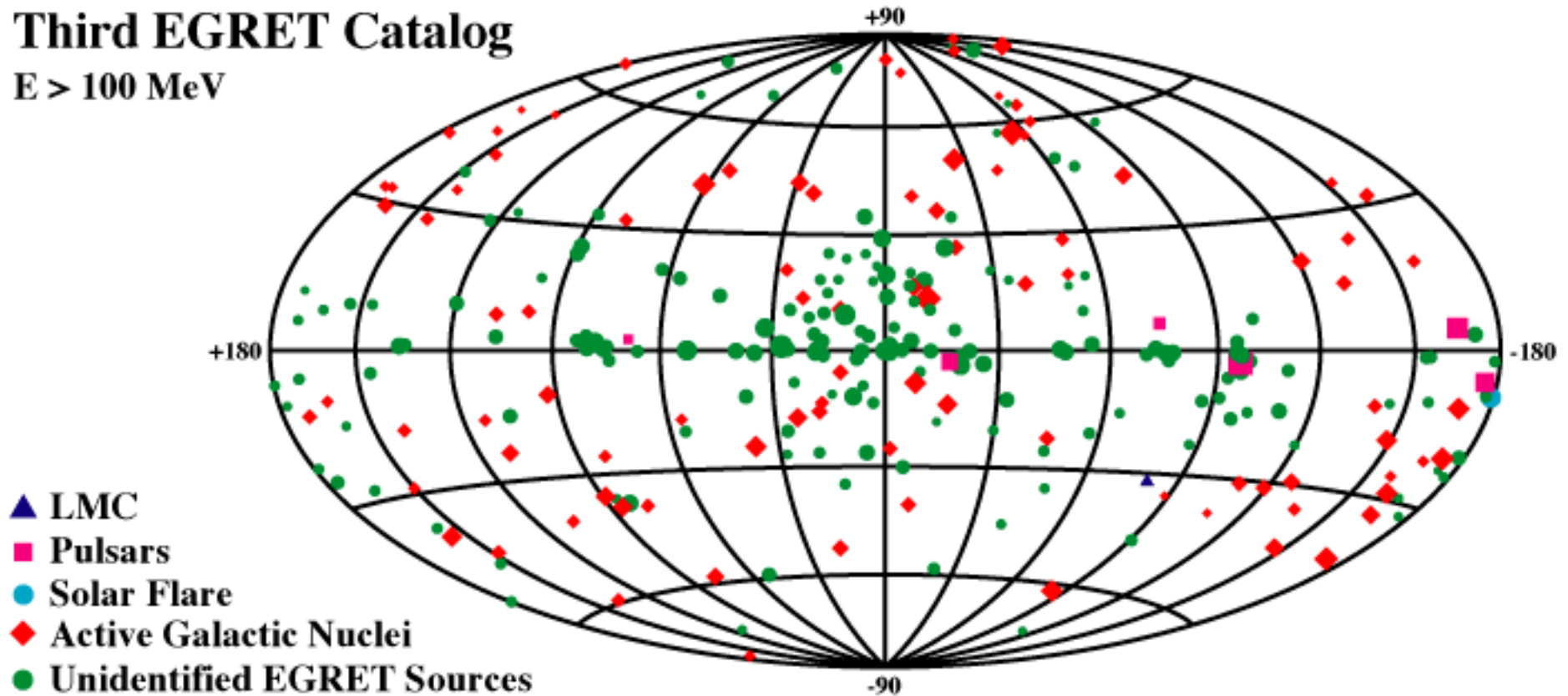
The EGRET legacy

The HE sky from EGRET



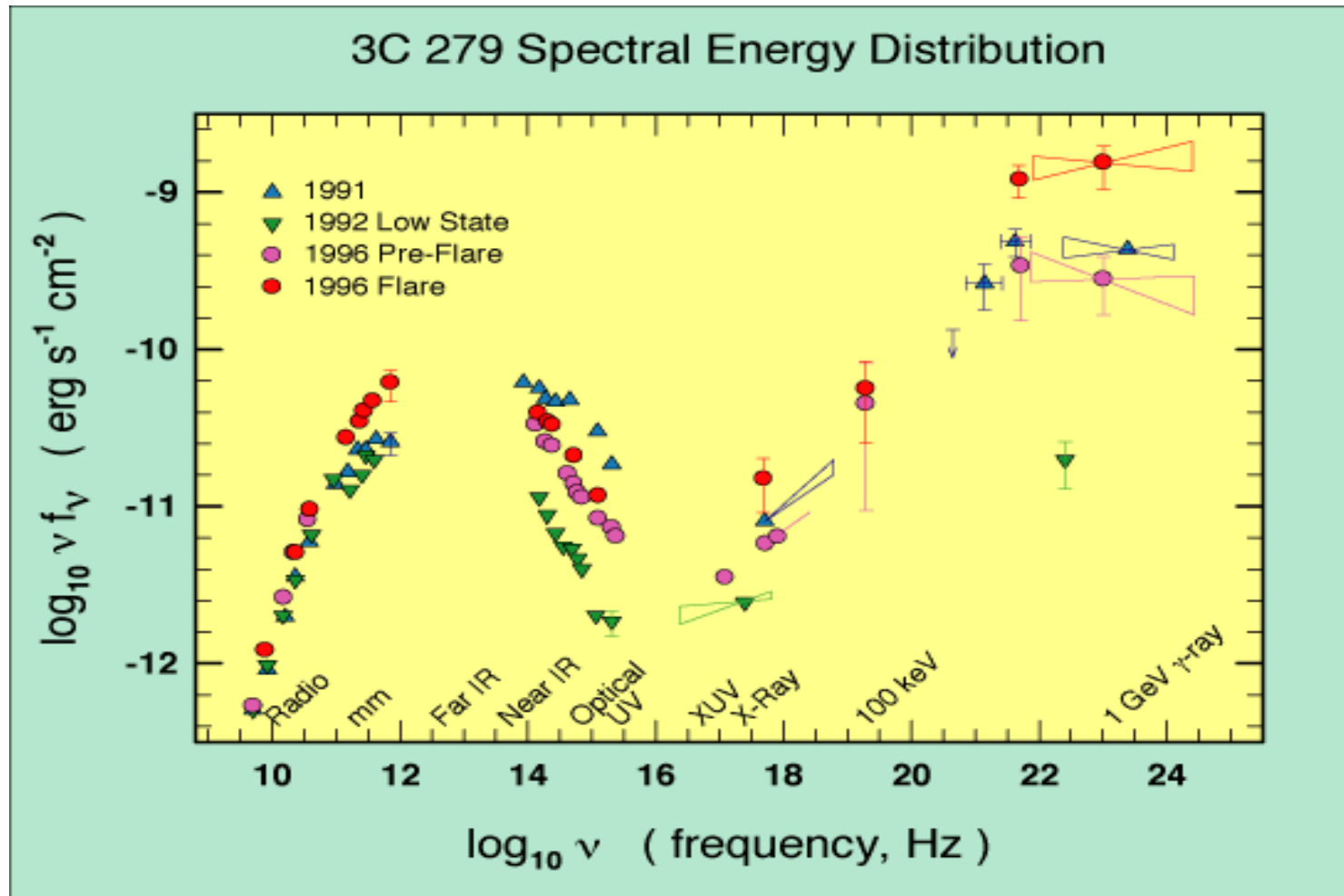
EGRET Gamma-ray Sources

Third EGRET Catalog
 $E > 100 \text{ MeV}$



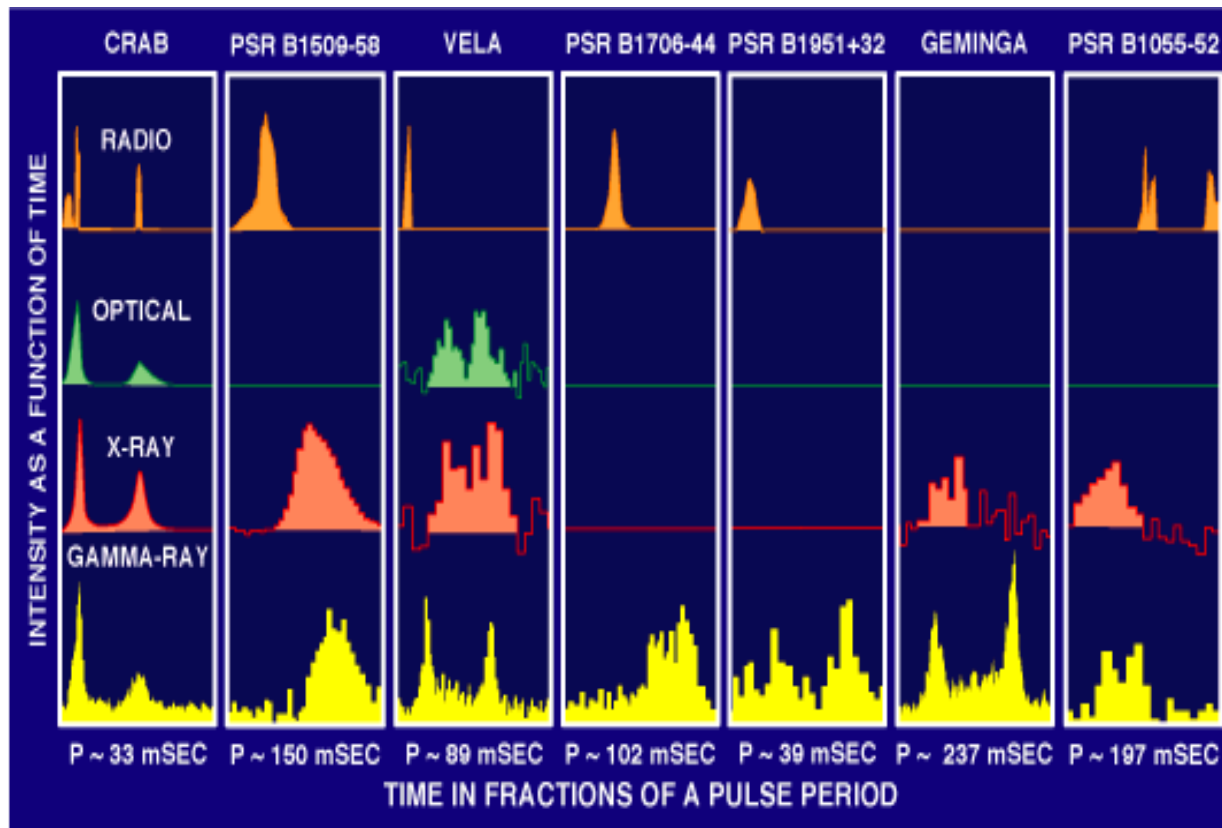
Challenge # 1

- Need simultaneous multiwavelength data to study variability and emission processes



Challenge # 2

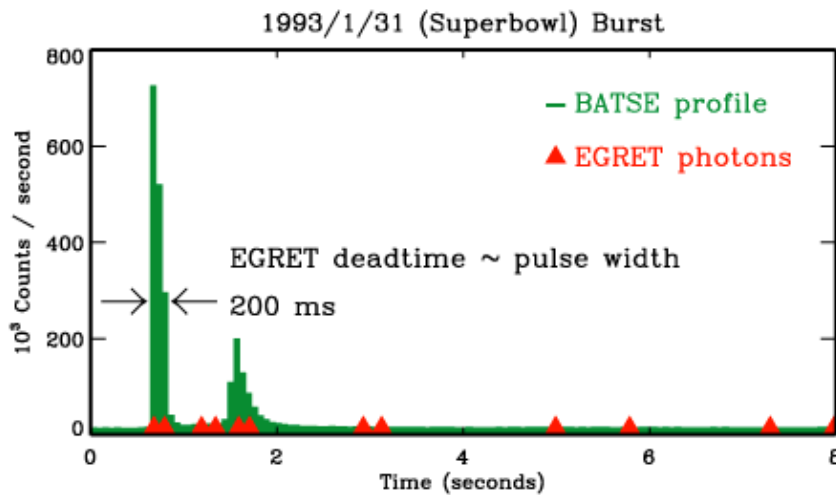
- Need more exposure and optimal timing (and radio monitoring) to discover more gamma-ray PSRs.



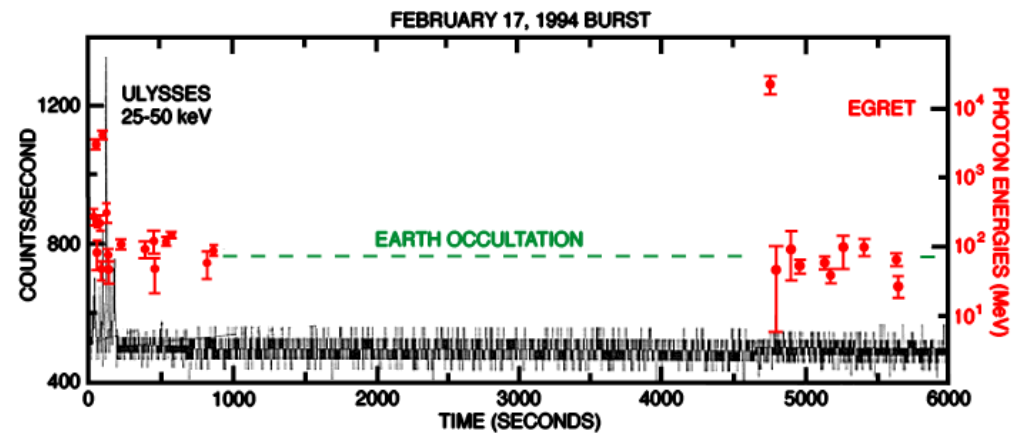
Challenge # 3

- Need fast timing for gamma-ray detection (improving EGRET deadtime, 100 msec → 100 microsec or less).

Prompt Emission (GRB 930131)

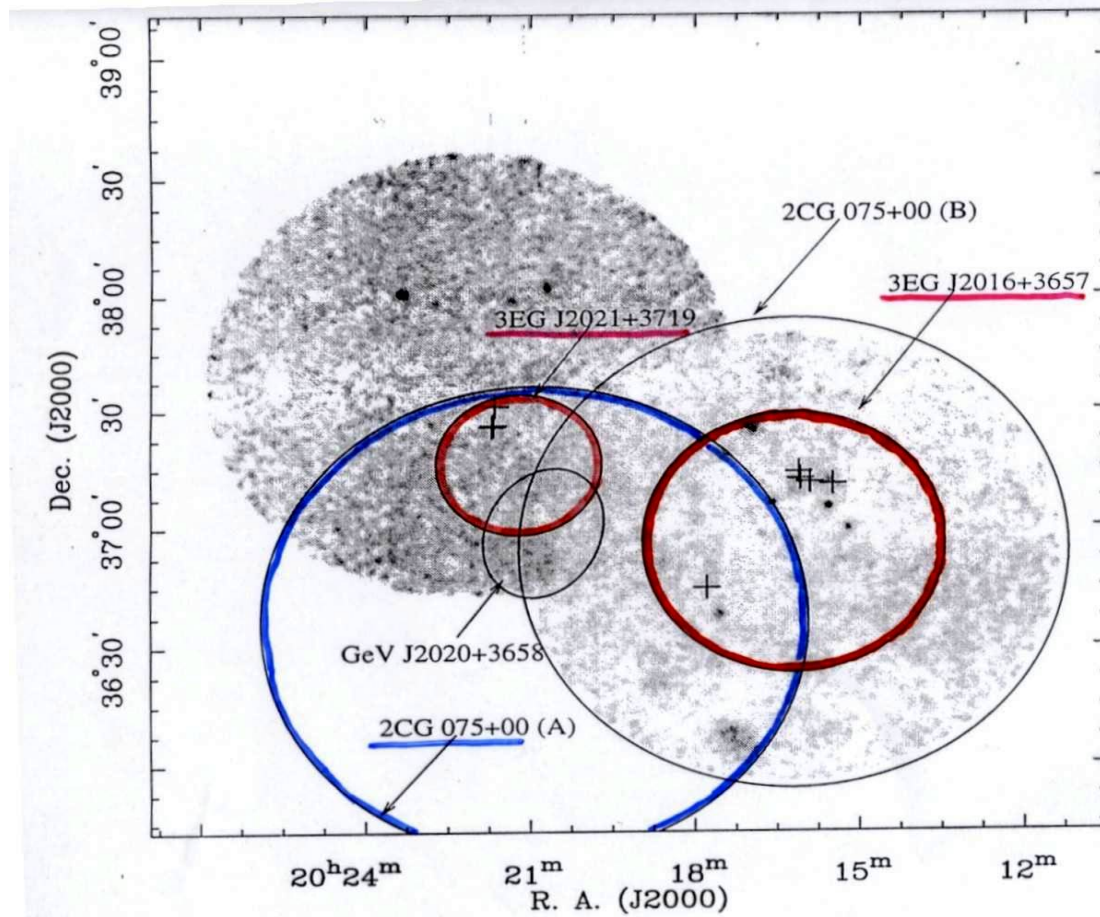


Delayed Emission (GRB 940217)



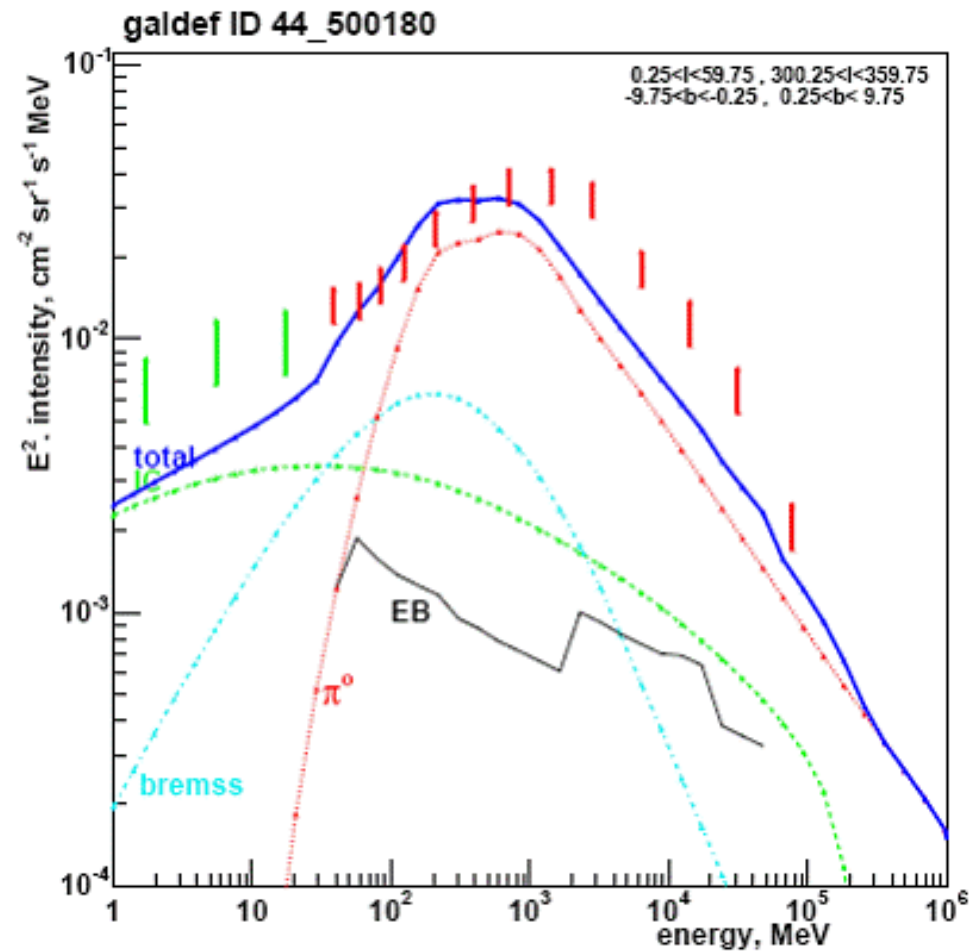
Challenge # 4

- Need arcminute positioning of gamma-ray sources (improving EGRET error box radii by a factor of 2-10).



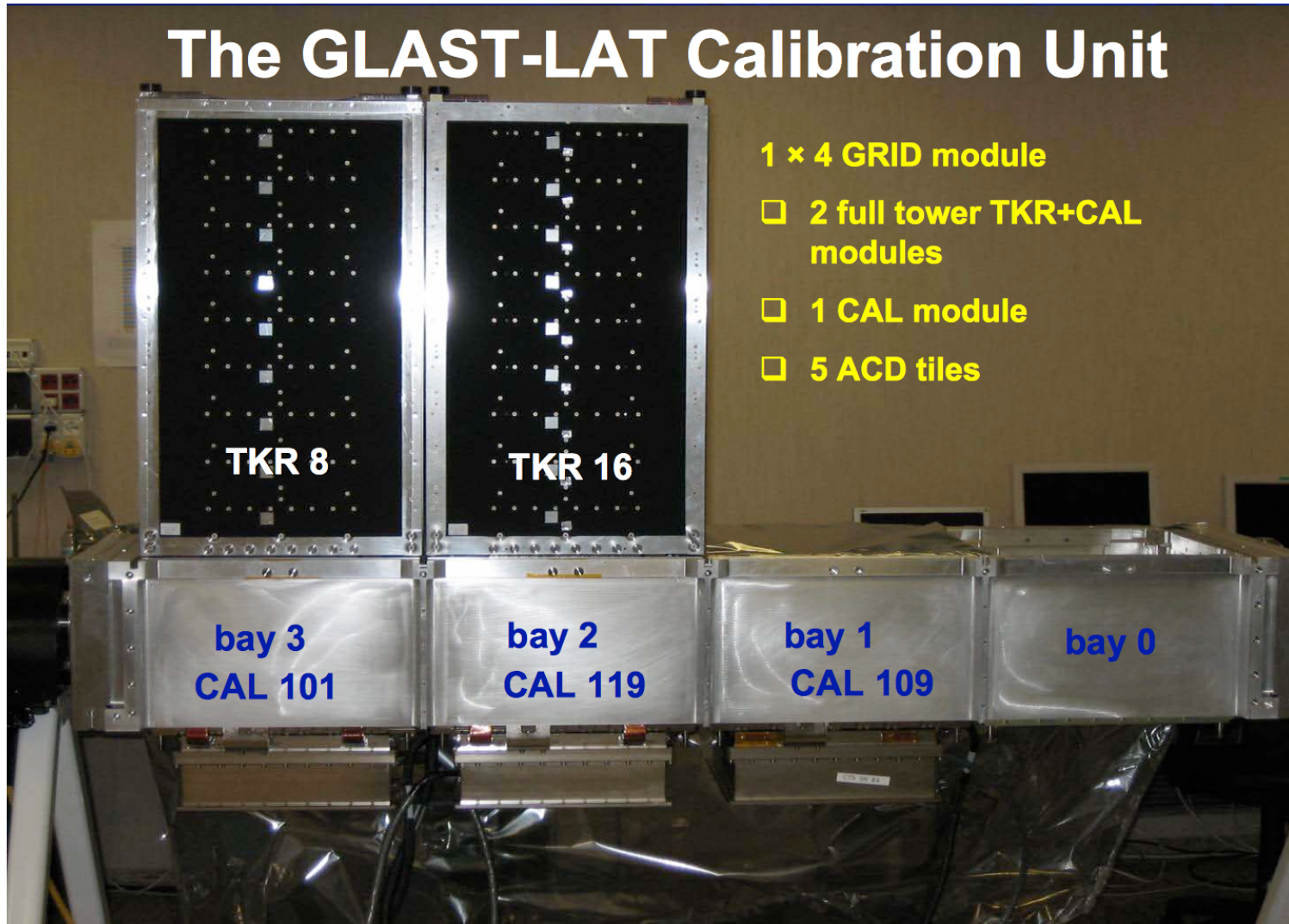
Challenge # 5

- Need improvements in Spectral Resolution fo check for DM signals



Beam test

The GLAST-LAT Calibration Unit



1 × 4 GRID module

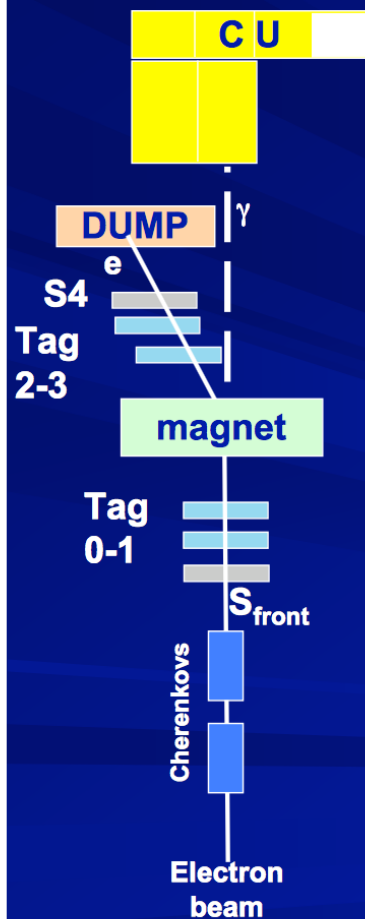
□ 2 full tower TKR+CAL modules

□ 1 CAL module

□ 5 ACD tiles

Beam test

Photon configuration set-up



The gamma ray beam at the CERN PS T9 line was produced by bremsstrahlung between electrons and the upstream materials. A magnet has been used to well separate electrons from photons. Finally a beam dump has been used to stop electrons.

■ Tagged photon beam

- An external tracker (4 x-y view silicon strip detector) was used to track electrons upstream and downstream the magnet, read-out by means of an external DAQ
- Trigger on S4 & S_{front} & Cherenkovs
- External DAQ was synchronized with the CU one, then the data have been merged with the CU one
- Different electron beam energy in the range 0.5-2.5 GeV and magnetic field intensity have been used to provide a gamma spectrum to the CU below 2 GeV

■ Not tagged photon beam

- Trigger on S_{front} & Cherenkov
- Full bremsstrahlung spectrum from 2.5 GeV/c electron beam

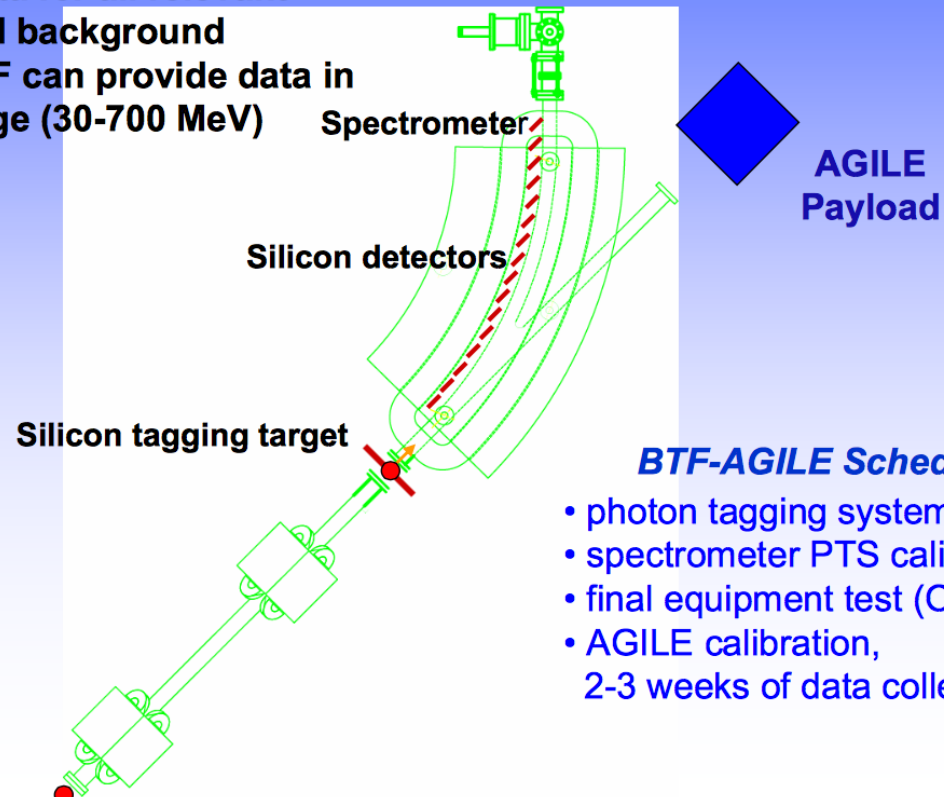
AGILE calibration



AGILE calibration

INFN-LNF-BTF Photon-Tagged Source AGILE GRID Photon Calibration

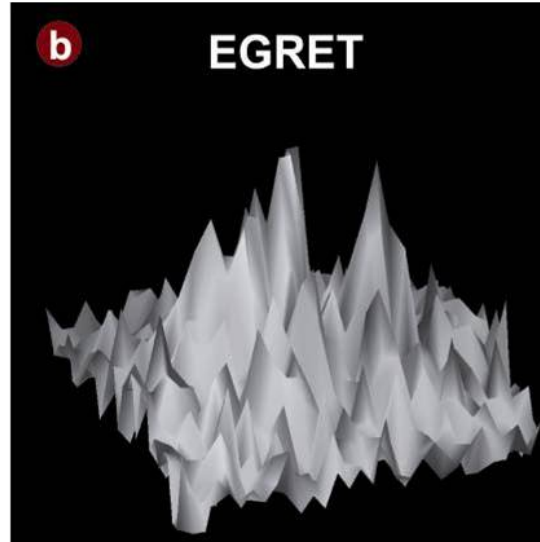
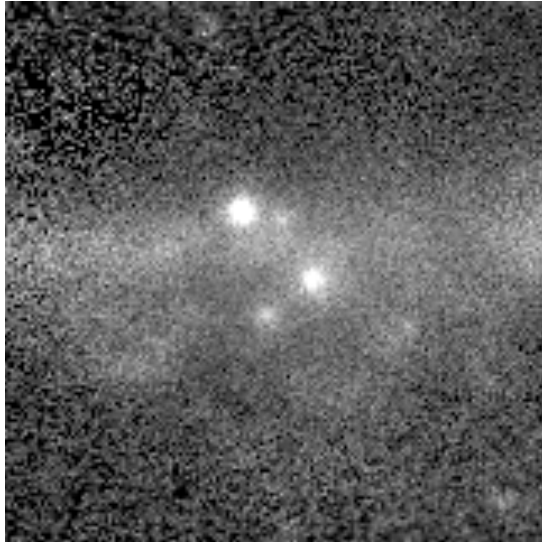
The AGILE Gamma Ray Imaging Detector calibration at BTF is aimed at obtaining data for all relevant geometries and background conditions. BTF can provide data in the energy range (30-700 MeV)



BTF-AGILE Schedule

- photon tagging system (PTS)
- spectrometer PTS calibration
- final equipment test (Oct.)
- AGILE calibration, 2-3 weeks of data collection

Technology impact -- PSF

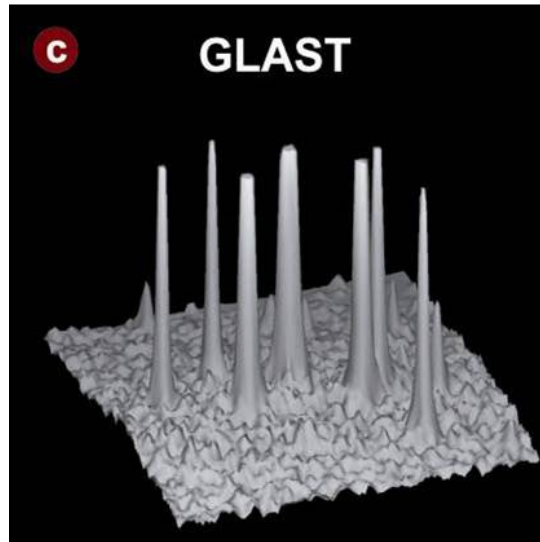
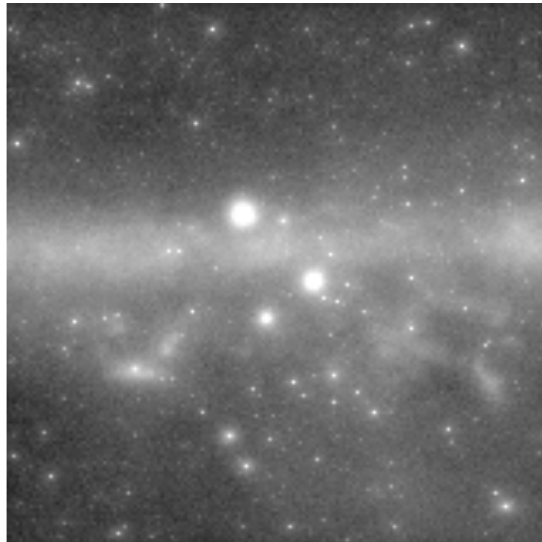


EGRET
(1991-2000)
Phases 1-5



Spark chamber

- sense electrode spacing \sim mm
- sensitive layer depth \sim cm
 - *up to 28 hit over $>1m$*



LAT
(2008- >2013)
1-yr simulation

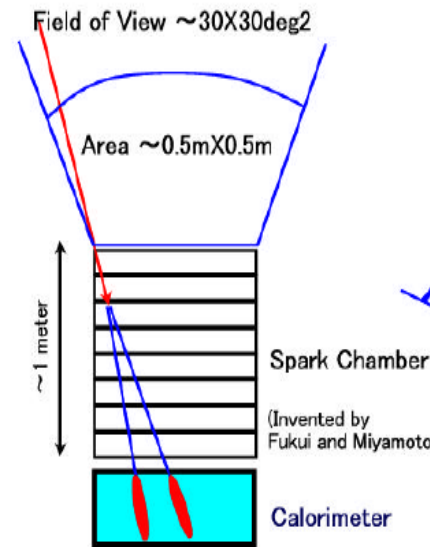
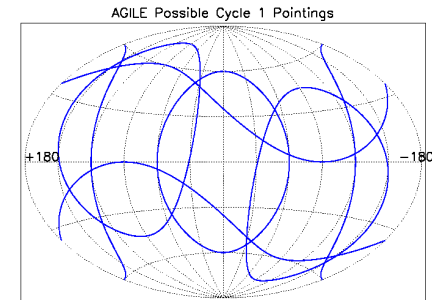
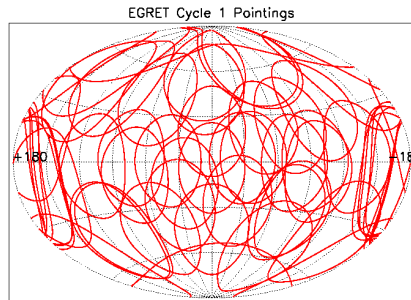
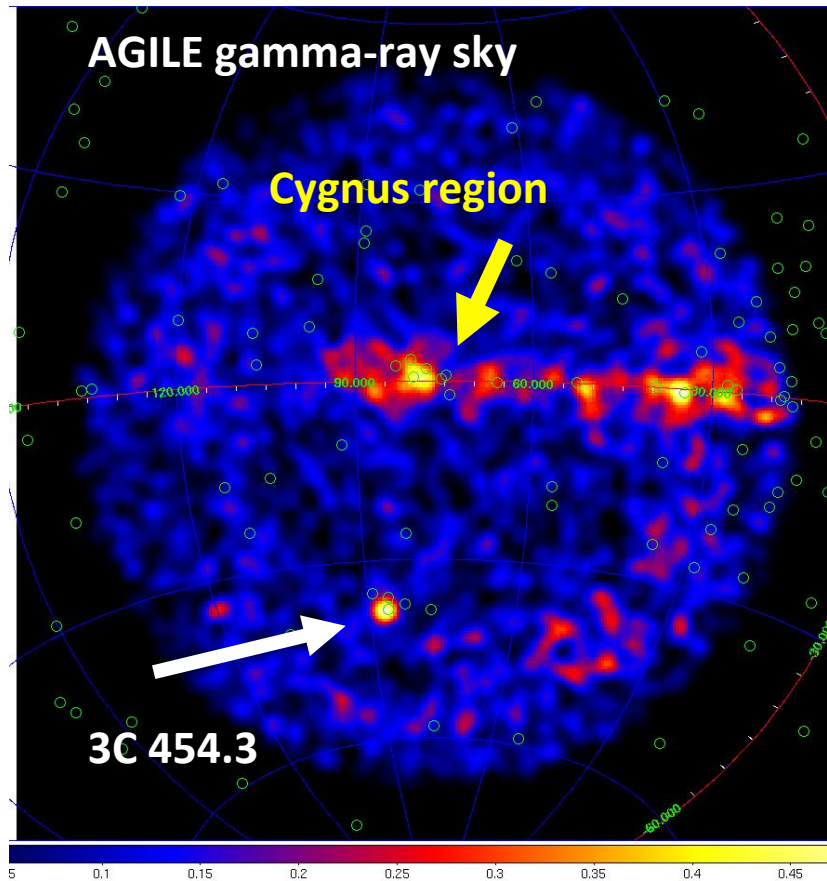


Si-strip detectors

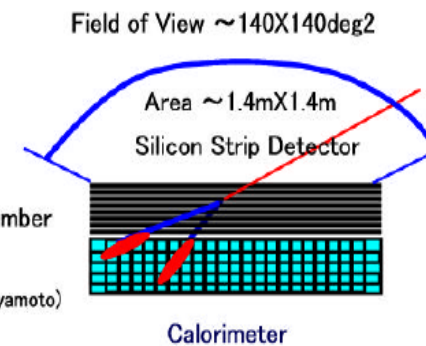
- sense electrode spacing $\sim 0.2mm$
 - *better single hit resolution*
- sensitive layer depth $\sim 0.4mm$
 - *up to 36 hit over $0.8m$*
 - *converter proximity to minimize MCS*

Cygnus region ($15^\circ \times 15^\circ$), $E_\gamma > 1 GeV$

Technology impact - FoV

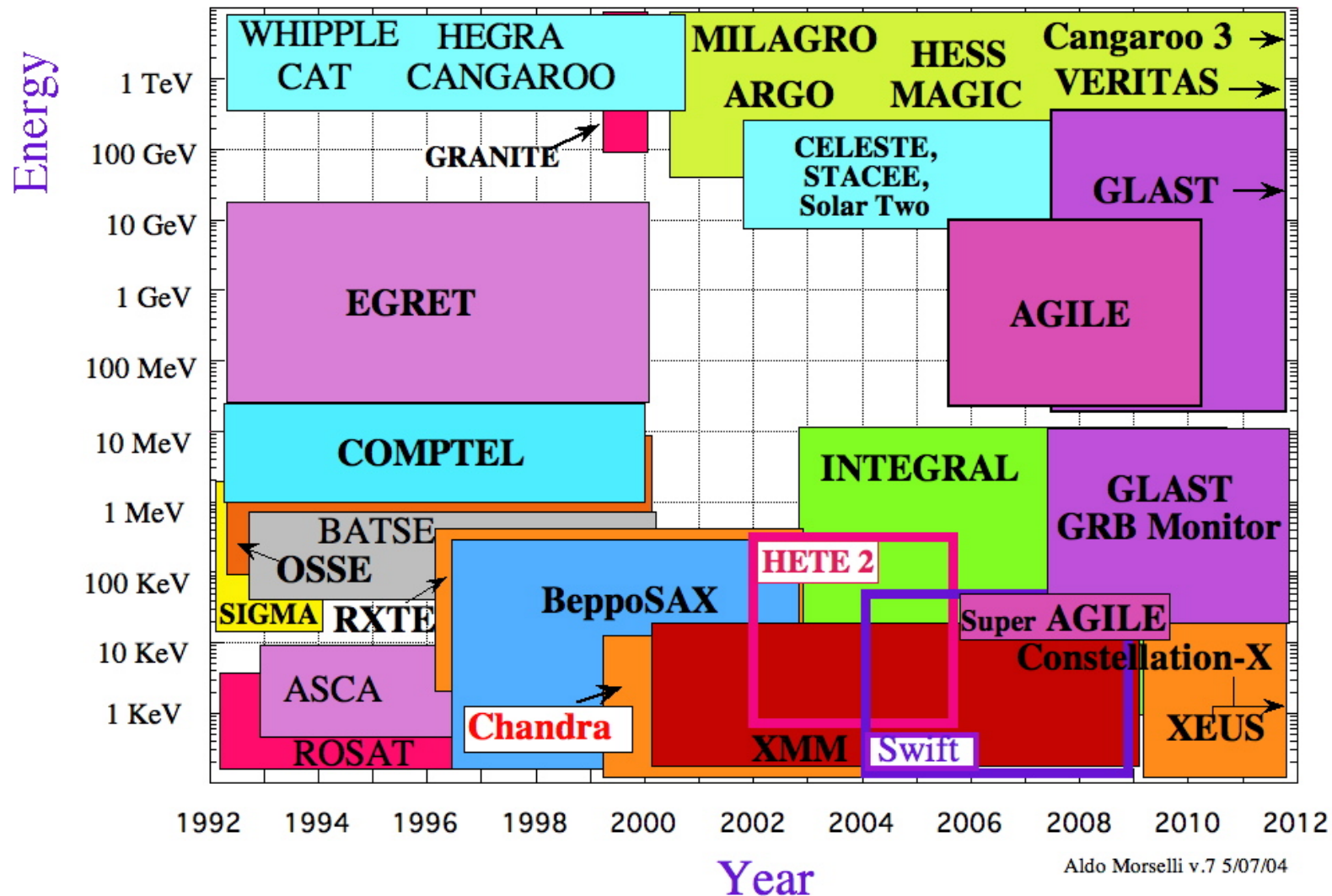


EGRET on Compton GRO



GLAST Large Area Telescope

After a long story ...



AGILE

AGILE



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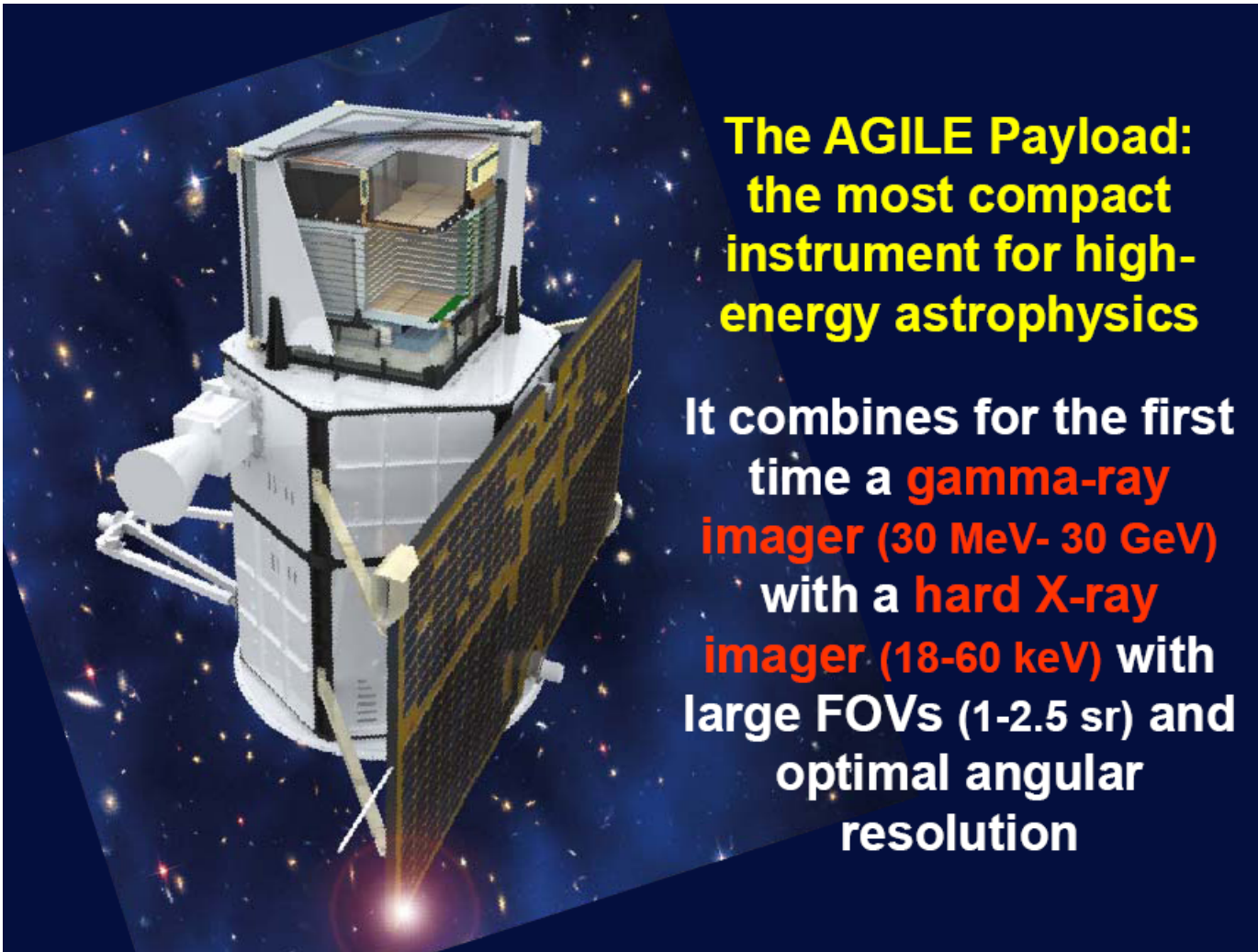
Carlo Gavazzi Space SpA



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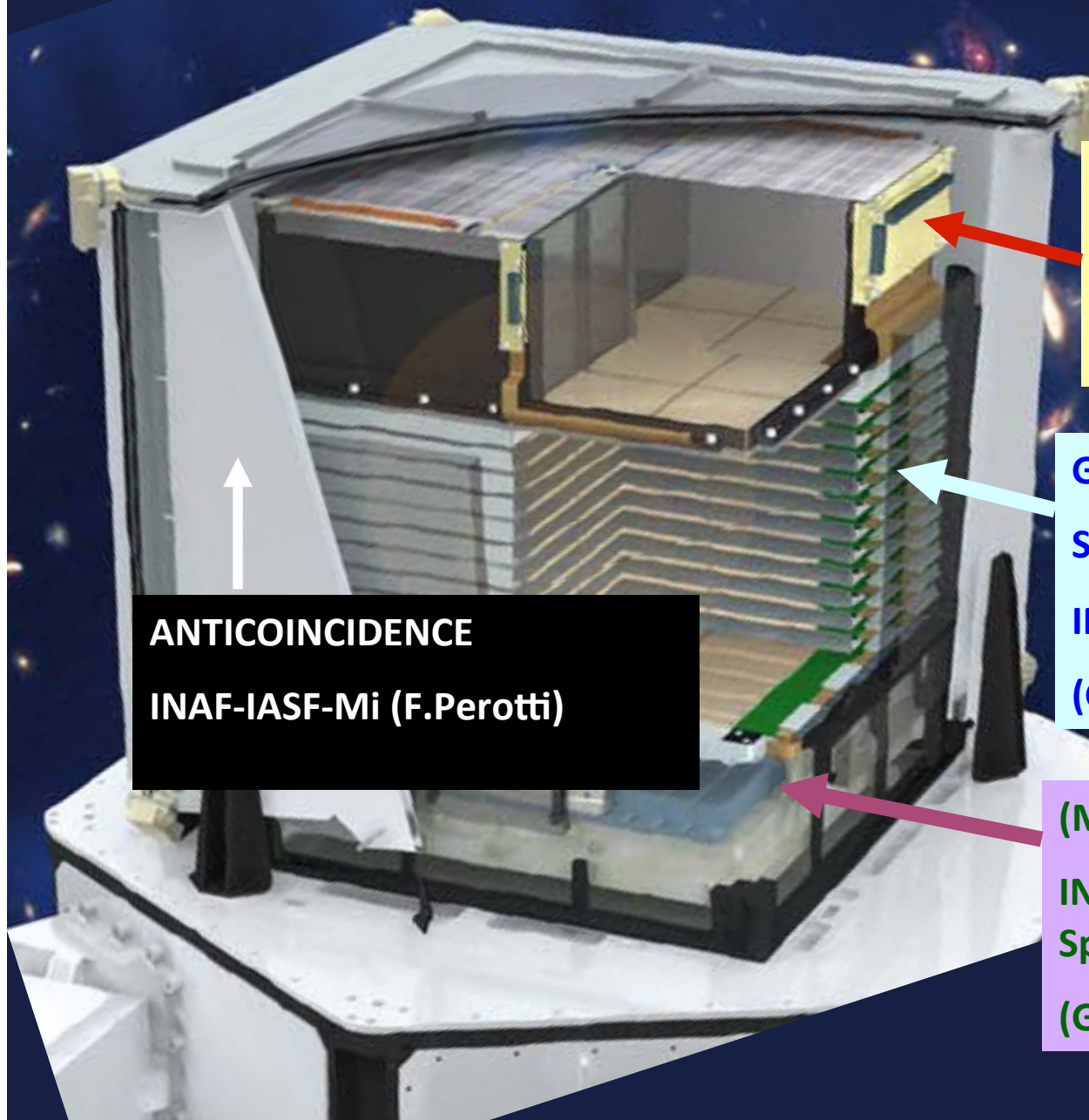
AGILE instrument



**The AGILE Payload:
the most compact
instrument for high-
energy astrophysics**

It combines for the first
time a **gamma-ray
imager (30 MeV- 30 GeV)**
with a **hard X-ray
imager (18-60 keV)** with
large FOVs (1-2.5 sr) and
optimal angular
resolution

AGILE: inside the cube...



**HARD X-RAY IMAGER
(SUPER-AGILE)**
**INAF-IASF-Rm (E.Costa, M.
Feroci)**

**GAMMA-RAY IMAGER
SILICON TRACKER**
**INFN-Trieste
(G.Barbiellini, M. Prest)**

**ANTICOINCIDENCE
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**INAF-IASF-Bo, Thales-Alenia
Space (LABEN)**
(G. Di Cocco, C. Labanti)

The Silicon Tracker

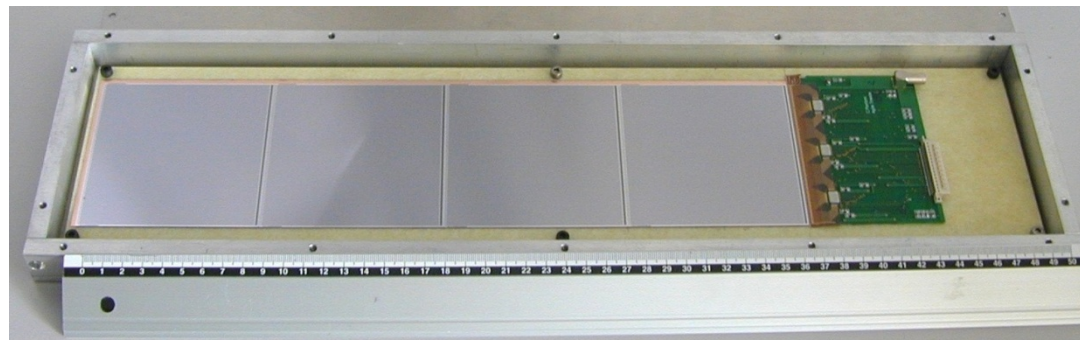
The AGILE silicon detectors

Detector specifications:

- dimension: $9.5 \times 9.5 \text{ cm}^2$
- thickness: $410 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$ (6 inch technology)
- readout pitch: $242 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$;
physical pitch: $121 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$ (one floating strip)
- number of strips/ladder: 384
- Single side and AC-coupled
- leakage current: 2 nA/cm^2 at $V_{\text{bias}} = 2.5 \cdot V_{\text{FD}} = 200 \text{ V}$
- polarization resistor: $40 \text{ M}\Omega$
- coupling capacitor: 55 pF/cm
- Al strip resistance: $4.3 \text{ }\Omega/\text{cm}$
- max number of bad strips: $<1\%$
- average number of bad strips: $<0.5\%$

The AGILE frontend chip: TA1 \rightarrow TAA1

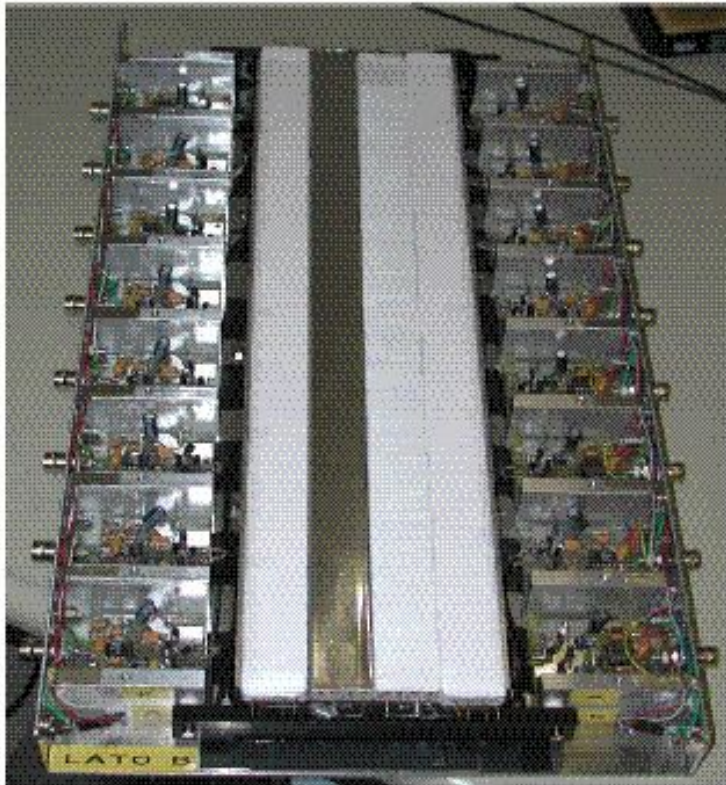
- low noise, low power, **SELF-TRIGGERING**
- technology: $1.2 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$ CMOS, double poly, double metal (final: $0.8 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$ BiCMOS on epitaxial layer)
- features:
 - 128 channels
 - gain: 25 mV/fC ; range: 18 fC
 - noise (e^- rms): $165 + 6.1/\text{pF}$ for $T_{\text{peak}} = 2 \text{ }\mu\text{s}$
 - power: $<0.4 \text{ mW/channel}$**
 - power rails: $\pm 2 \text{ V}$
 - readout frequency: 5 Mhz
 - gain spread: $<1.5\%$
 - threshold offset spread (TA1): 20% (in TAA1 will be implemented a 3 bit DAC per channel)



The AGILE TRK



The CsI Mini-Calorimeter



MINI-CALORIMETER

DETECTOR

- 30 CsI bars wrapped with tight diffusion material organized in 2 orthogonal trays
- bar dimension: $40 \times 2.3 \times 1.5 \text{ cm}^3$
 - total radiation length: $1.5X_0$ (in axis)

FRONTEND ELECTRONICS

- 1 photodiode on each side of the bar
- optically coupled

GOAL

- measure energy deposit of the photon conversion pair (GRID mode)
- detect GRBs and transients in the range 0.25-250MeV (BURST mode)

SCIENTIFIC FEATURES

- energy resolution: 22-24%(FWHM) @ 1MeV
0.7% @ 100MeV
- spatial resolution: 15mm @ 1MeV
2mm @ 100MeV
- timing resolution: $2\mu\text{s}$ (BURST mode)

SuperAGILE X-ray detector



SUPER-AGILE

DETECTOR

- plane with 16 silicon tiles organized in 4 1D detectors
- each detector: 1536 readout strips (0.121mm pitch)
- a coded mask system

FRONTEND ELECTRONICS

- 12 self-triggering readout ASICs (128 channels each) per each detector, positioned on a kapton-FR4 hybrid

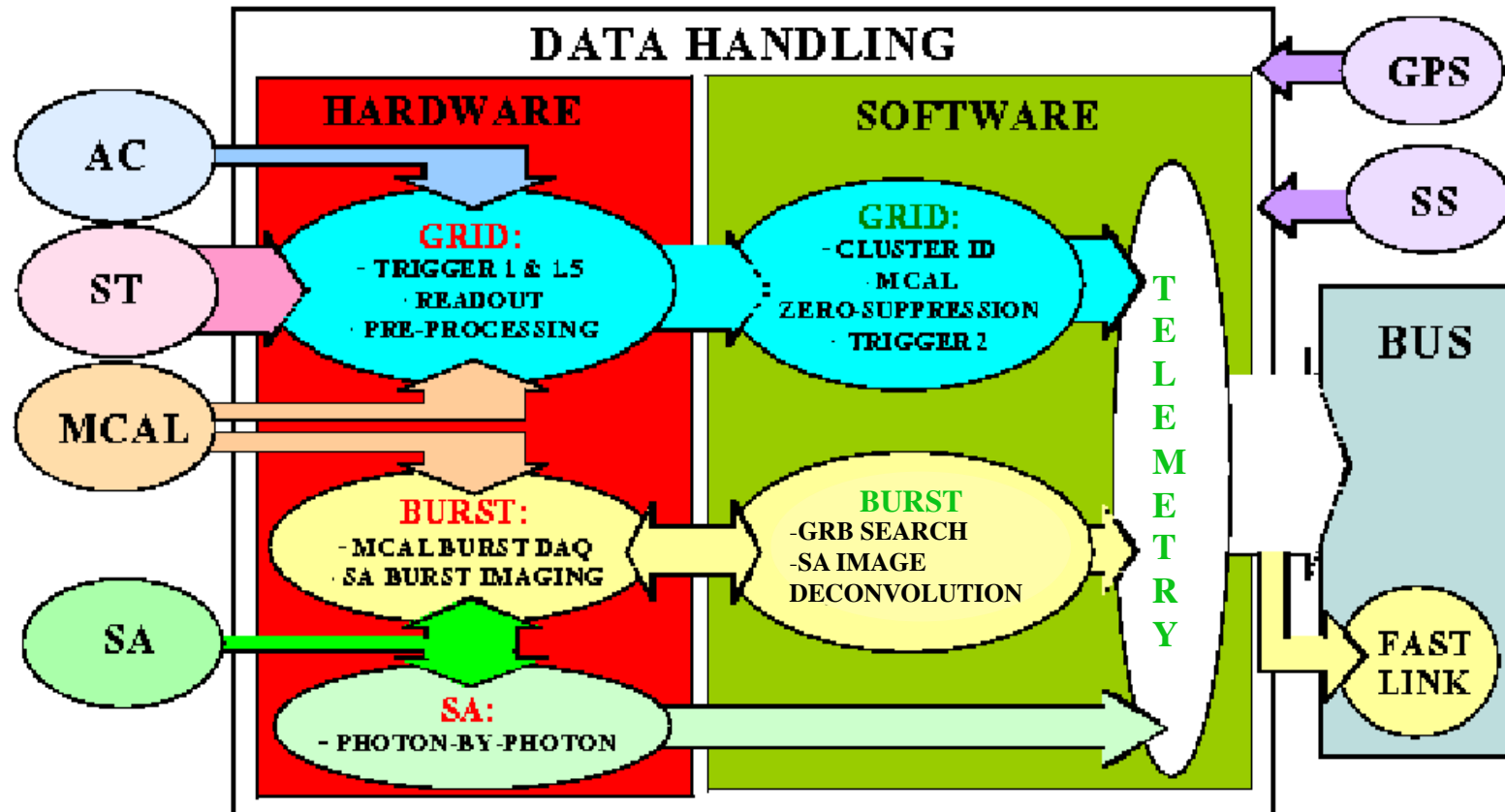
GOAL

measure X-rays in the energy range 10-40keV to detect GRBs, transients, galactic and extra-galactic sources

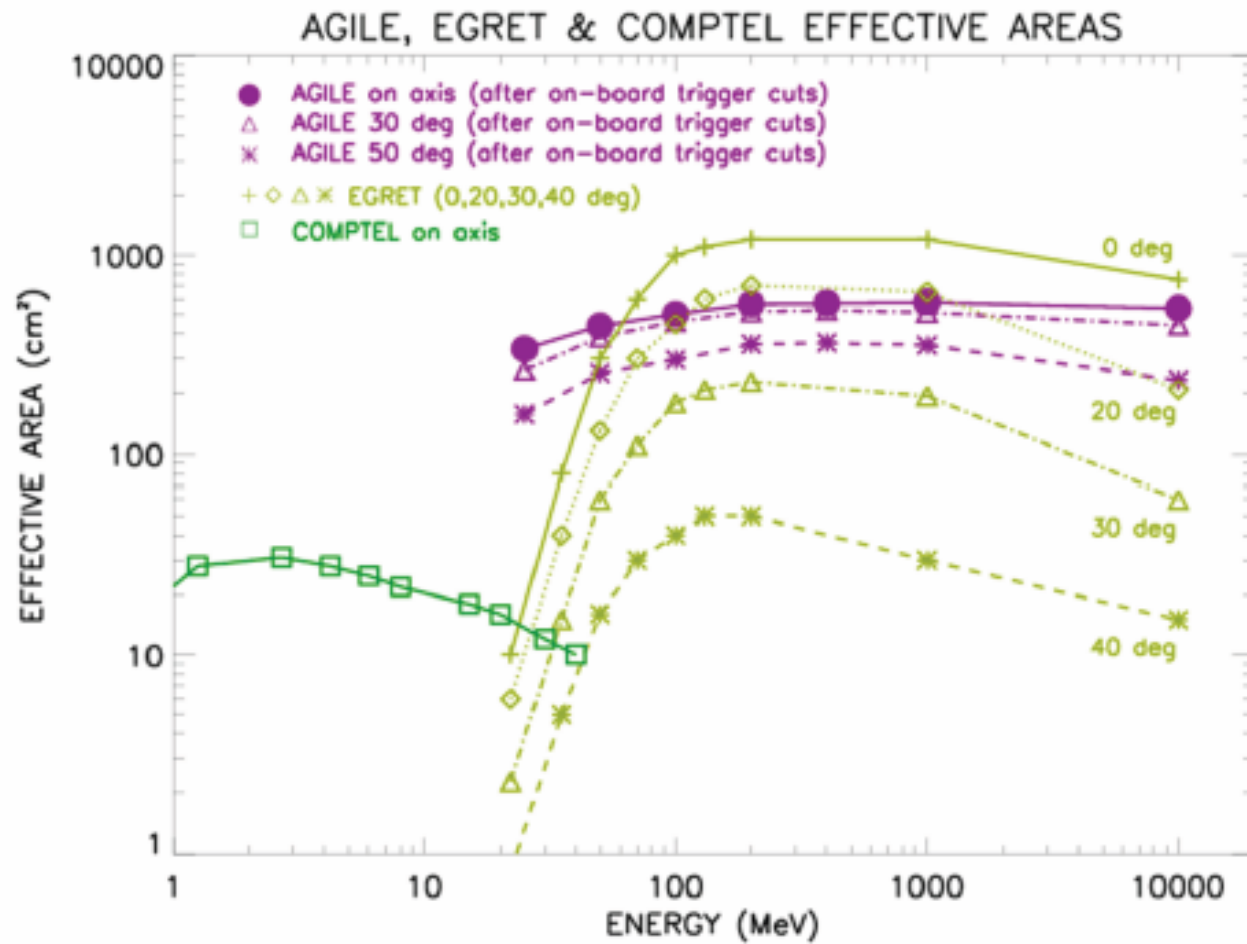
SCIENTIFIC FEATURES

- imaging: 1'-3' at ~20mCrab
- timing resolution: 5 μ s
- energy resolution: 4keV (FWHM)
- flux sensitivity: ~5mCrab (15keV)

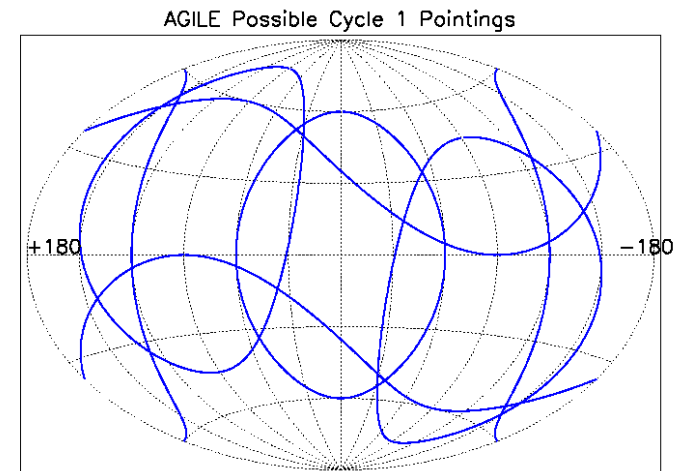
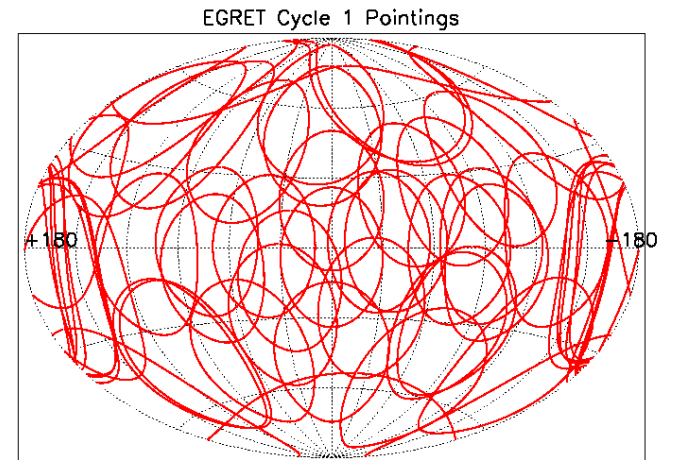
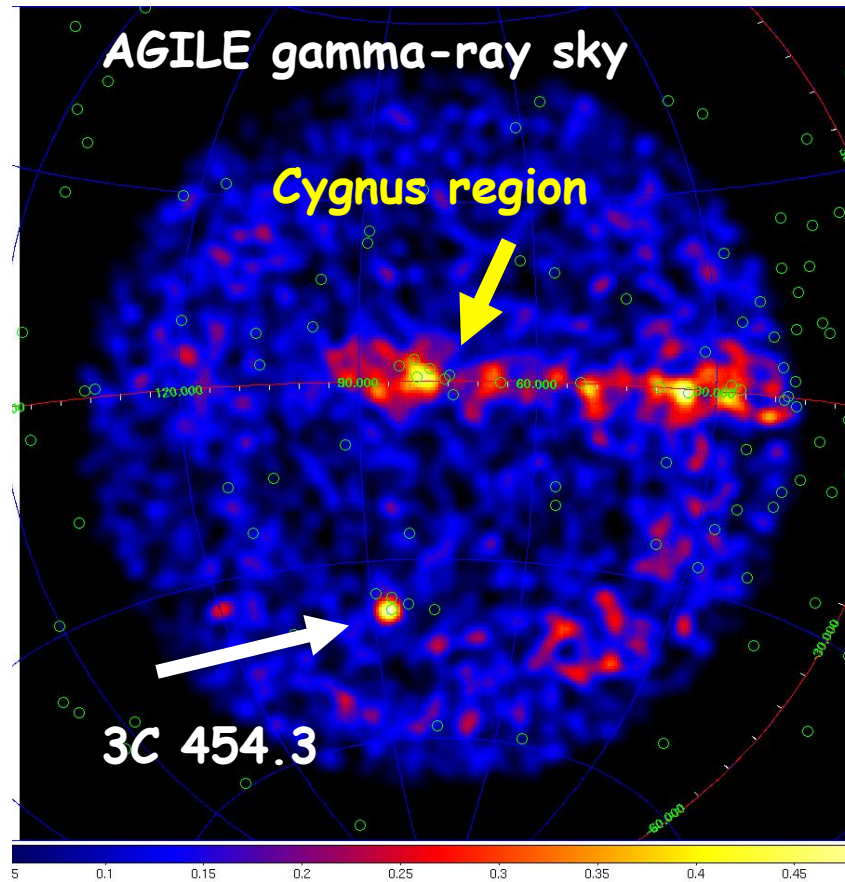
On Board AGILE Trigger



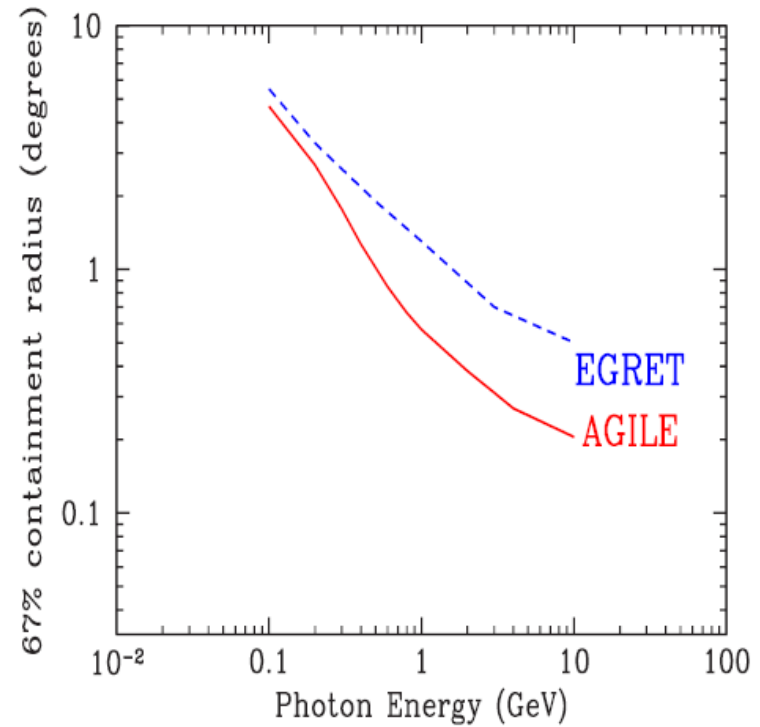
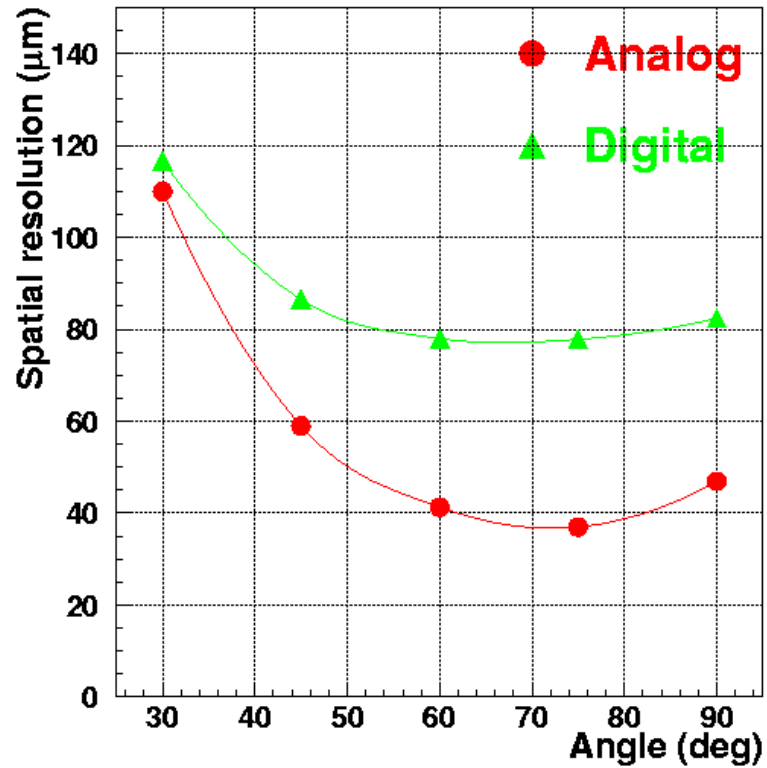
Performance



Si Self Trigger and FoV



Analog readout and PSF



The AGILE launch

