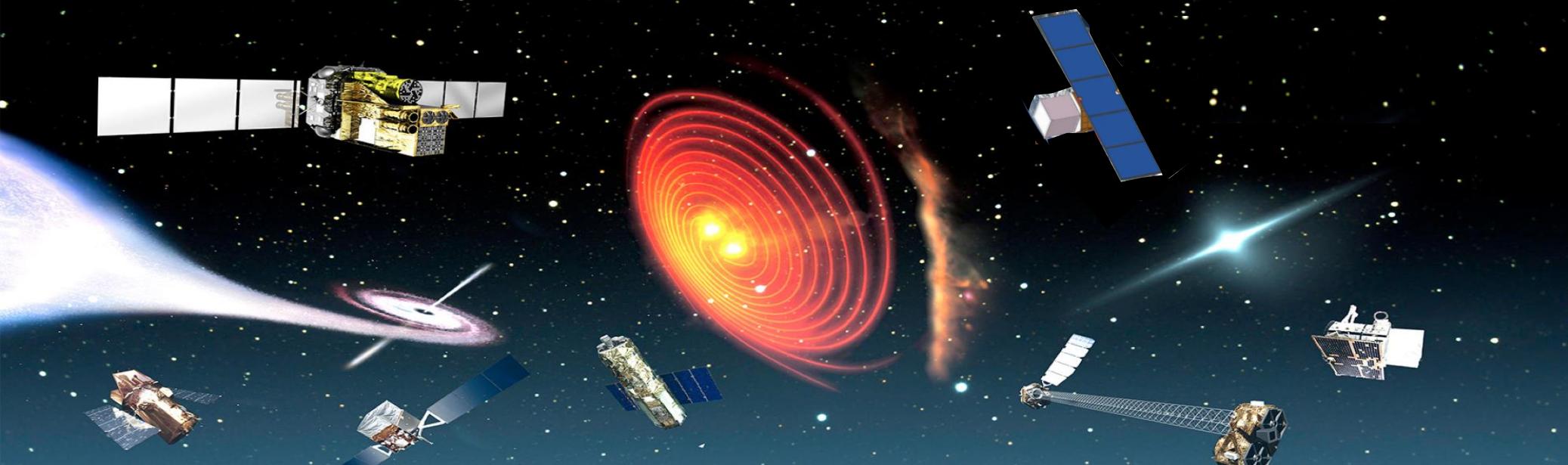


# Indirect dark-matter searches with gamma-rays experiments : status and future plans from 300 KeV to 100 TeV



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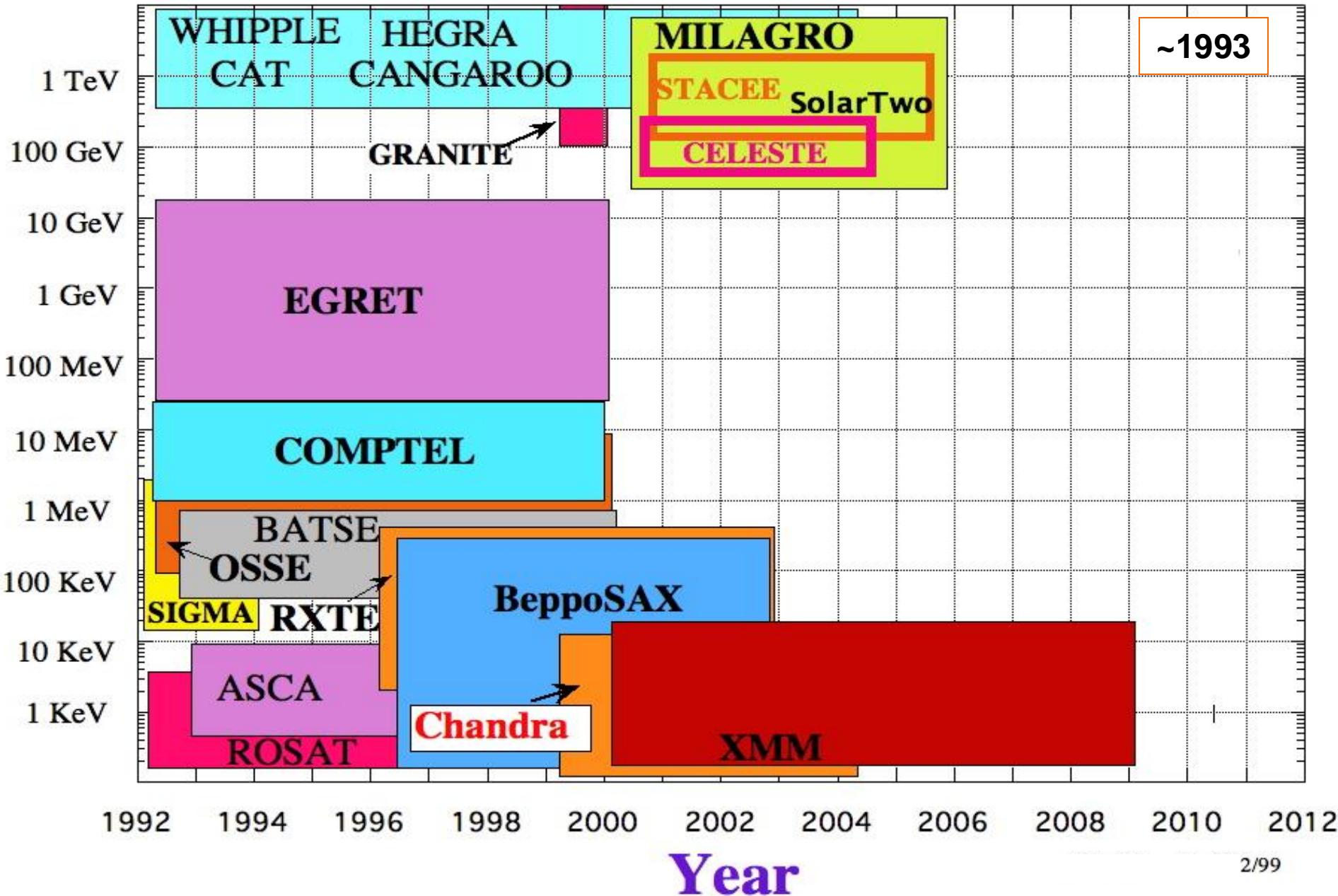


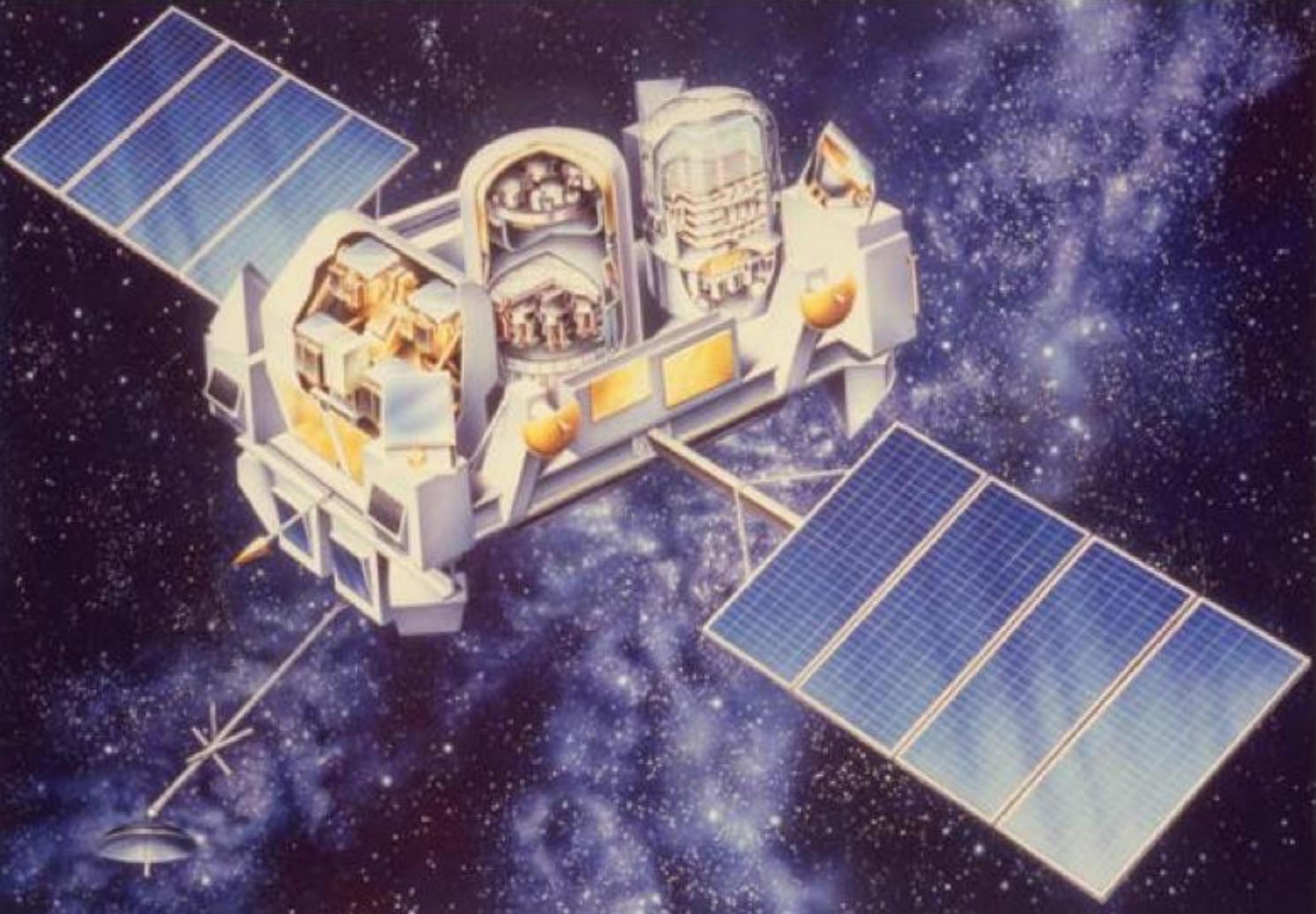
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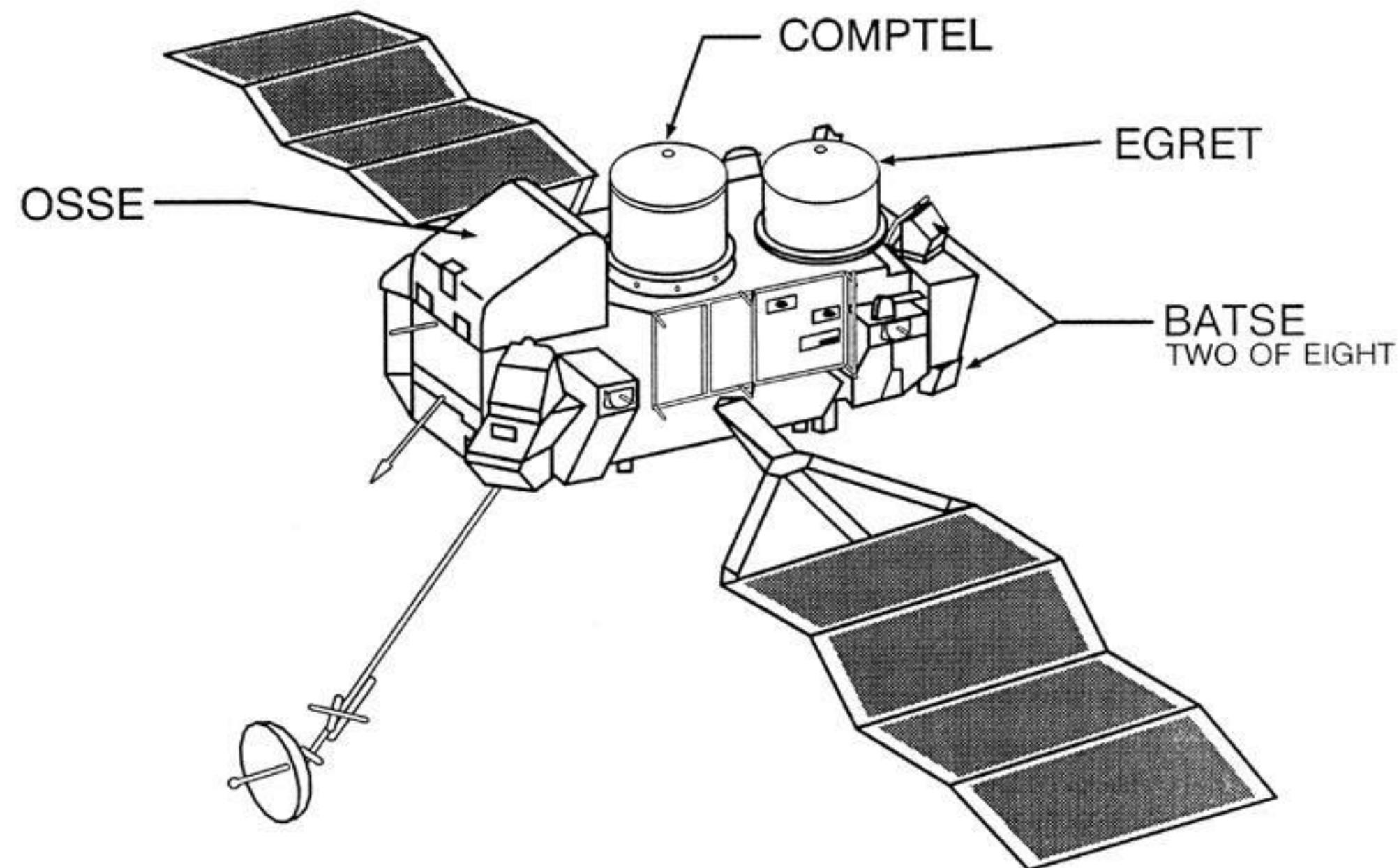
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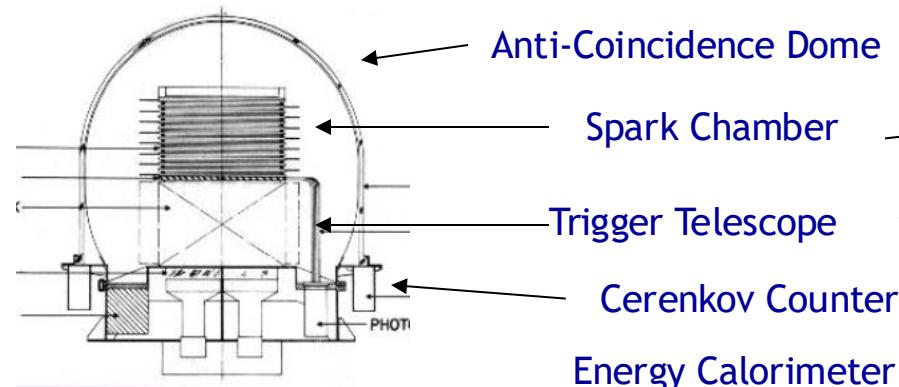
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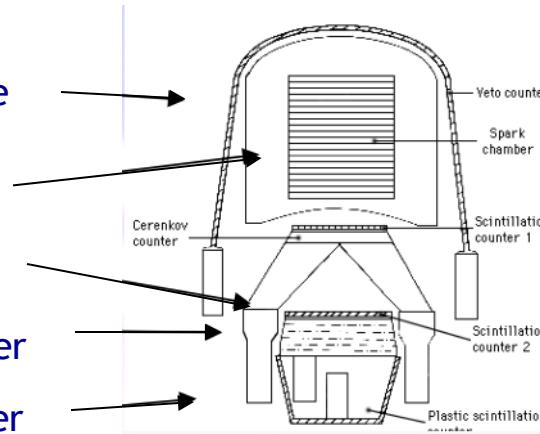


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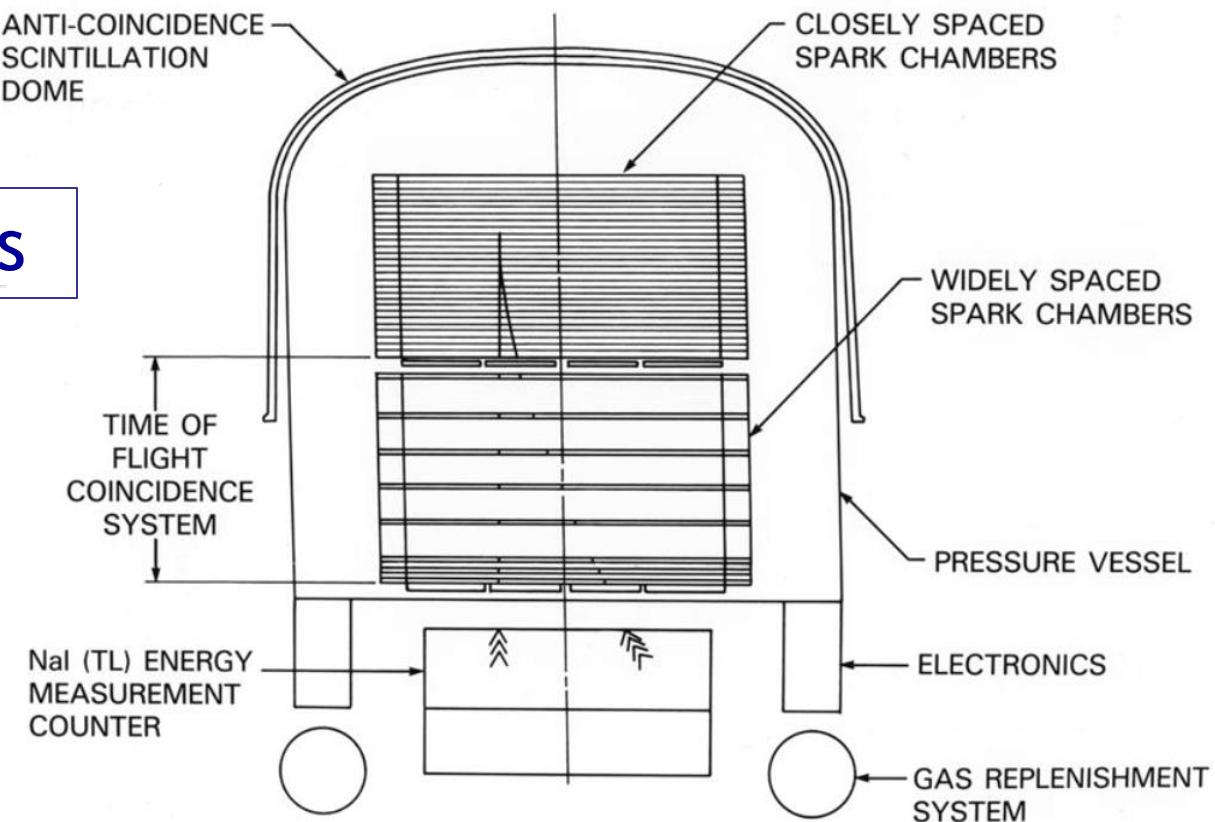
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## The gamma-ray missions

EGRET 4/1991-1999



# EGRET:the detector

Energy range: 20 MeV - 30 GeV

Weight: 1820 Kg

Power: 160 W

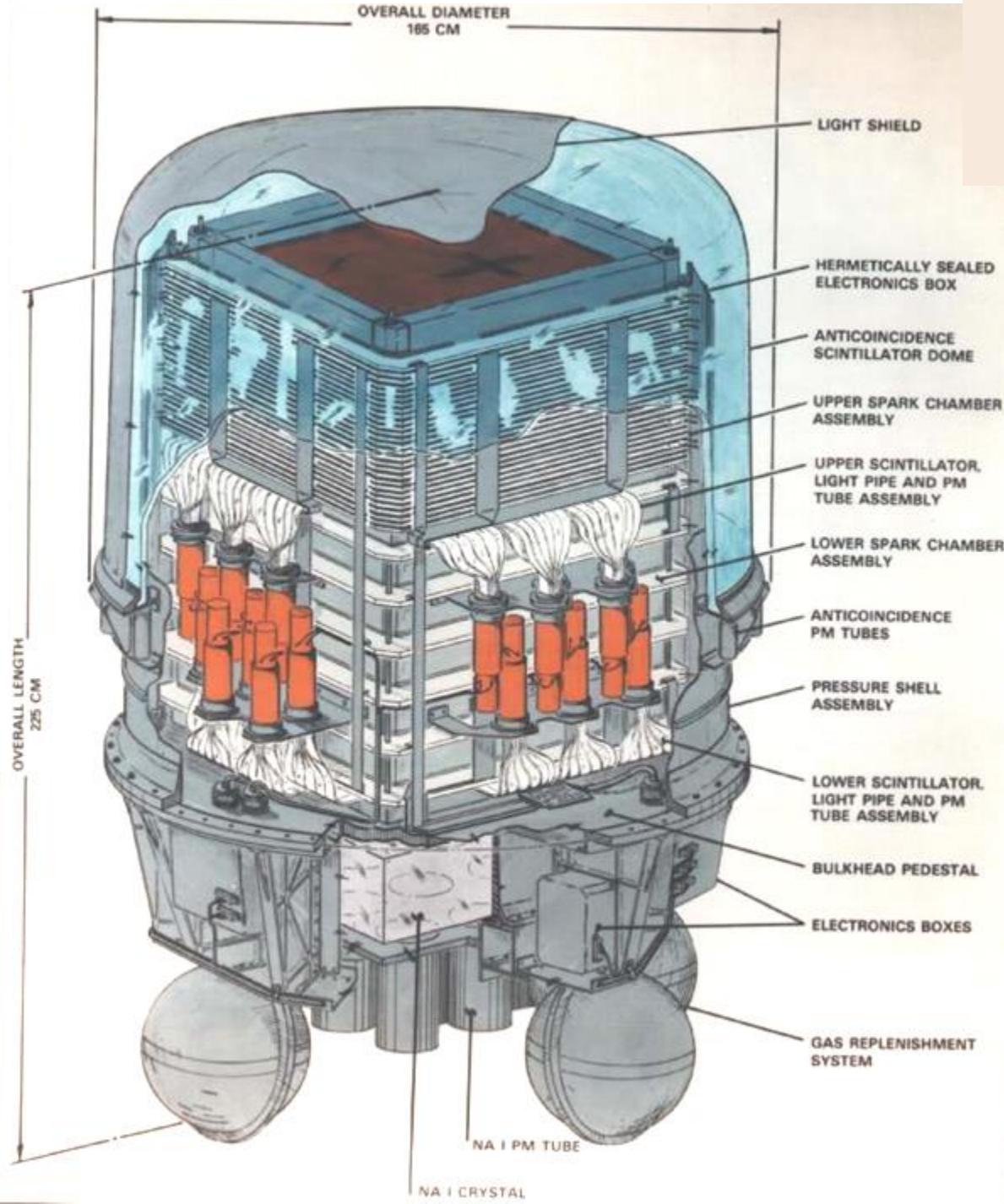
Field of view: 0.5 sr

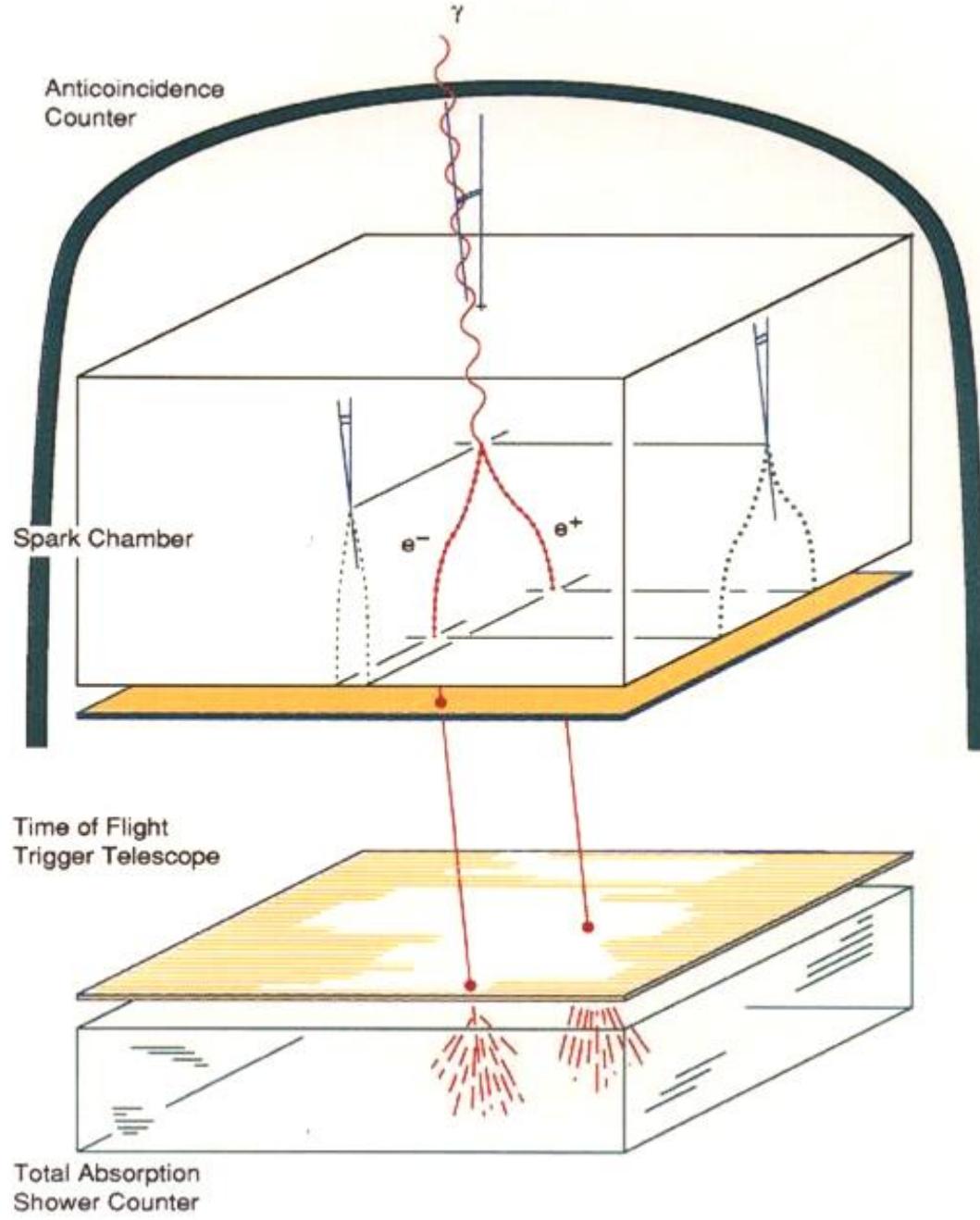
Dead Time: 100 ms

Effective Area (@1GeV) 1200 cm<sup>2</sup>

Angular resolution  
(@100MeV) 5.8'

Sensitivity	0.1 GeV	$5 \times 10^{-8}$
for point	1 GeV	$1 \times 10^{-8}$
sources	10 GeV	$2 \times 10^{-8}$
(ph cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> ) <sup>*</sup>		



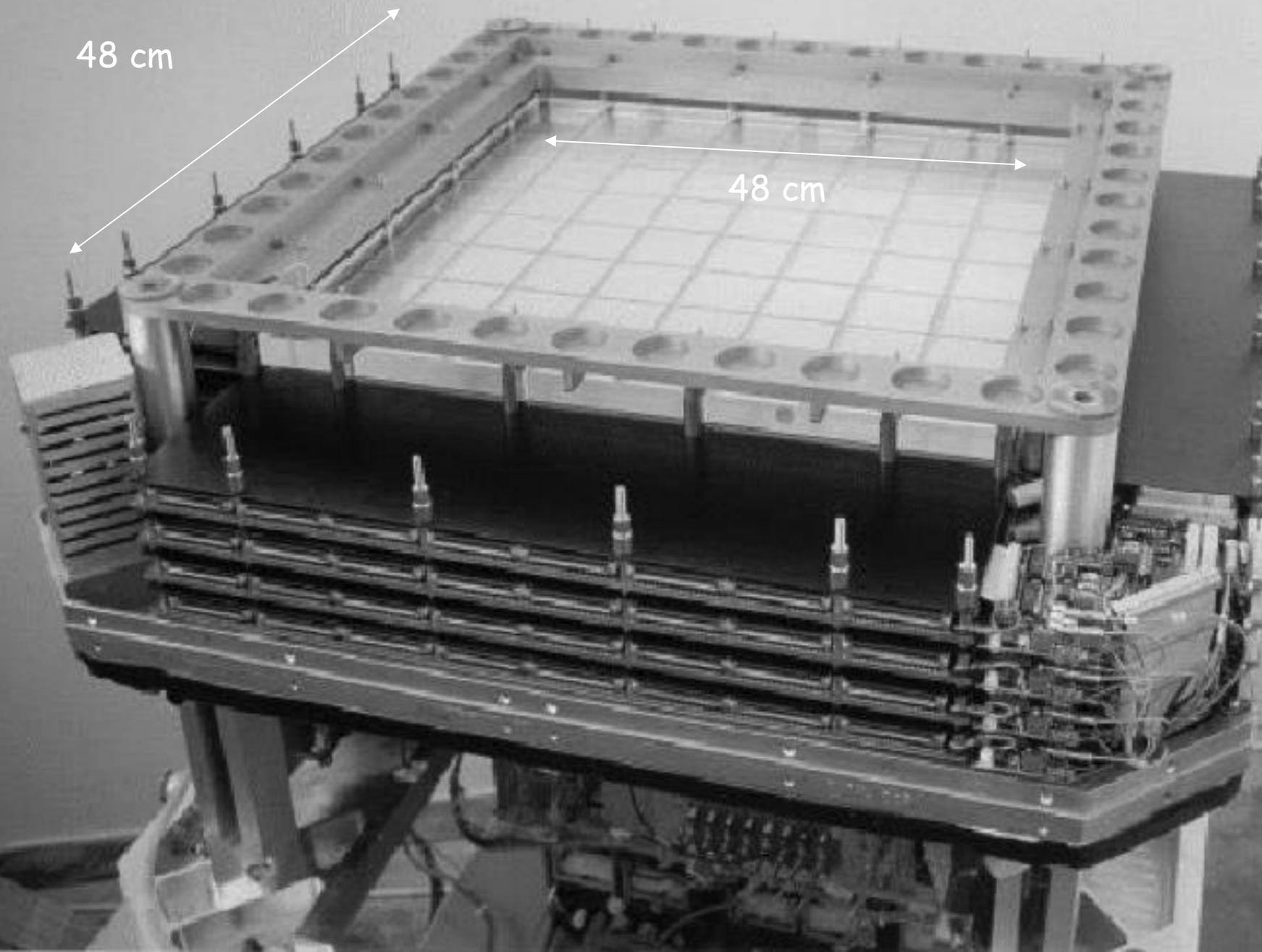


## EGRET - Principle of gamma ray detection

A  $\gamma$  ray which enters the top of the EGRET instrument will pass undetected through the large anticoincidence scintillator surrounding the spark chamber and has a probability 33% of converting into an electronpositron pair in one of the thin tantalum (Ta) sheets interleaved between the 28 closely spaced spark chambers in the upper portion of the instrument.

Below the conversion stack are two 4 x 4 arrays of plastic scintillation detector tiles spaced 60 cm apart which register the passage of charged particles. If the timeofflight delay indicates a downward moving particle which passed through a valid combination of upper and lower scintillator tiles, and the anticoincidence system has not been triggered by a charged particle, the track information is recorded digitally. In this manner, a three dimensional picture of the path of the electronpositron pair is measured. The energy deposition in the NaI(Tl) Total absorption Shower Counter (TASC) located directly below the lower array of plastic scintillators is used to estimate the photon energy.

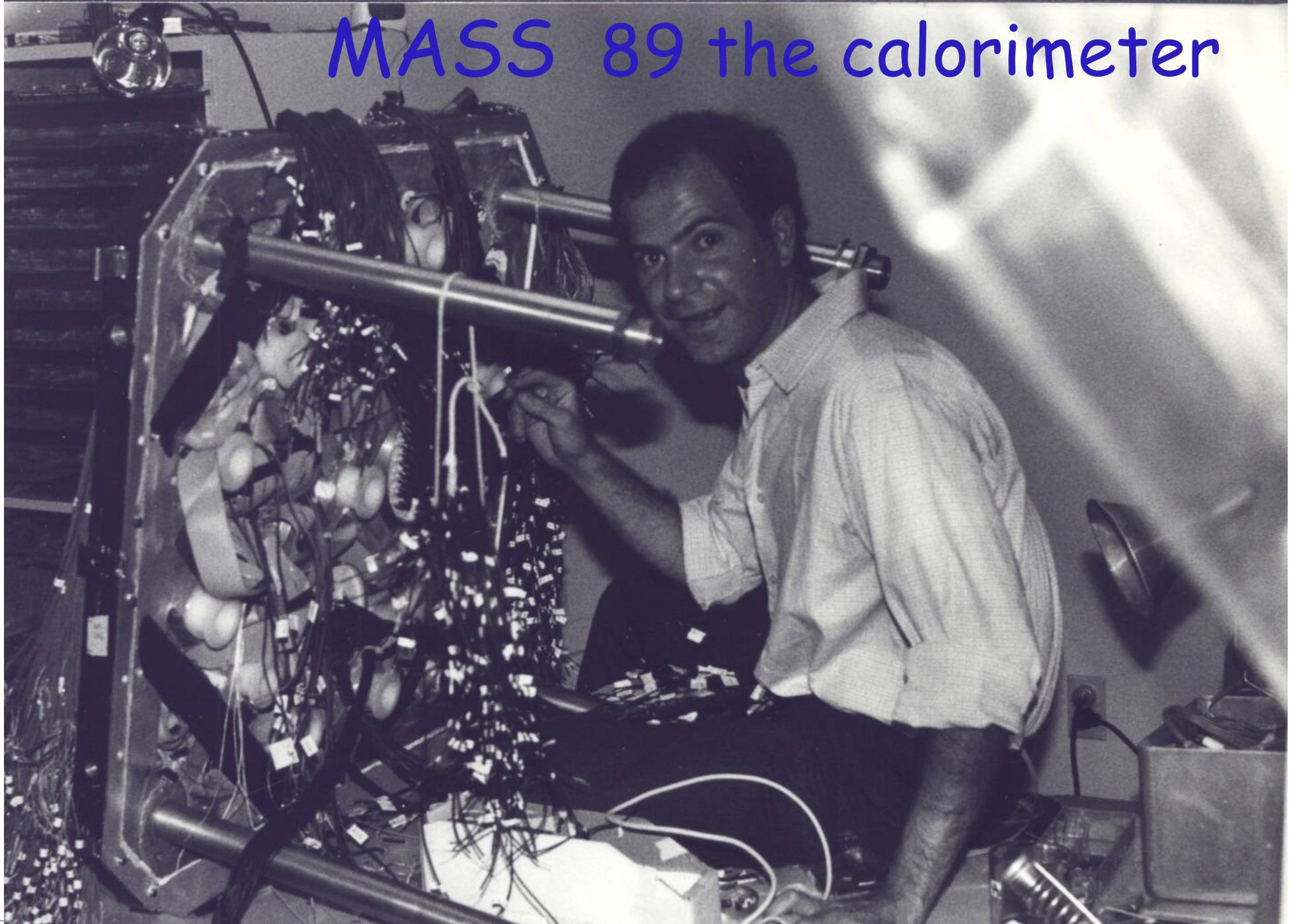
The TS93 and CAPRICE silicon-tungsten imaging calorimeter.



# The CAPRICE 94 flight



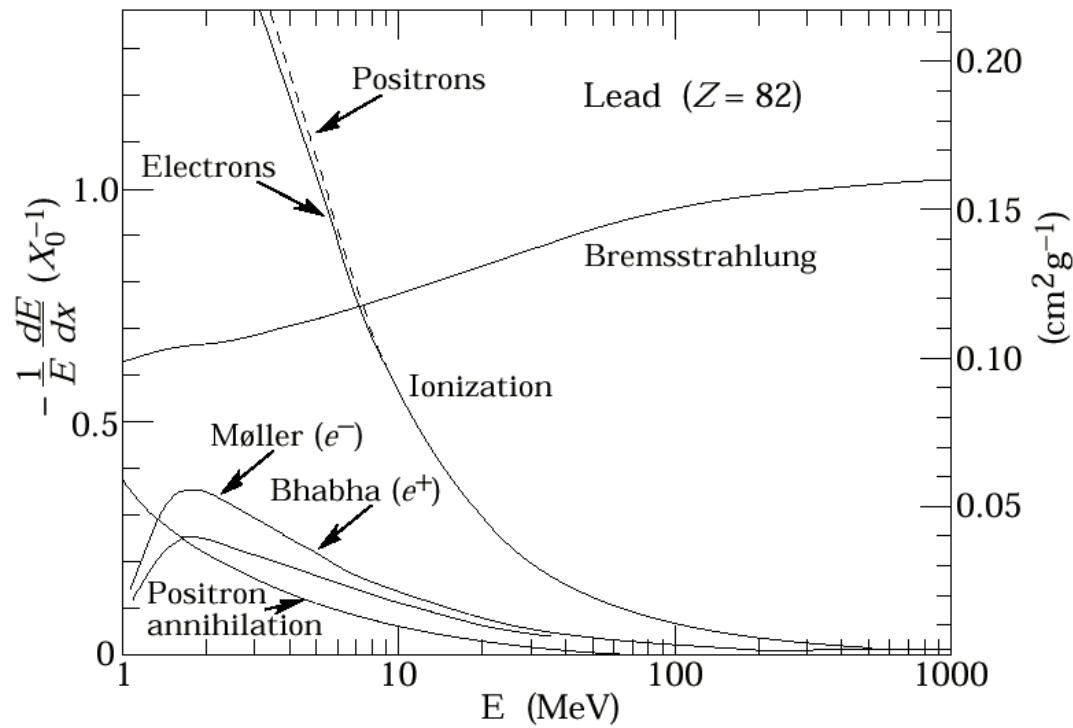
# MASS 89 the calorimeter





# Interaction of photons with matter

## Fractional energy loss for $e^+$ and $e^-$ in lead



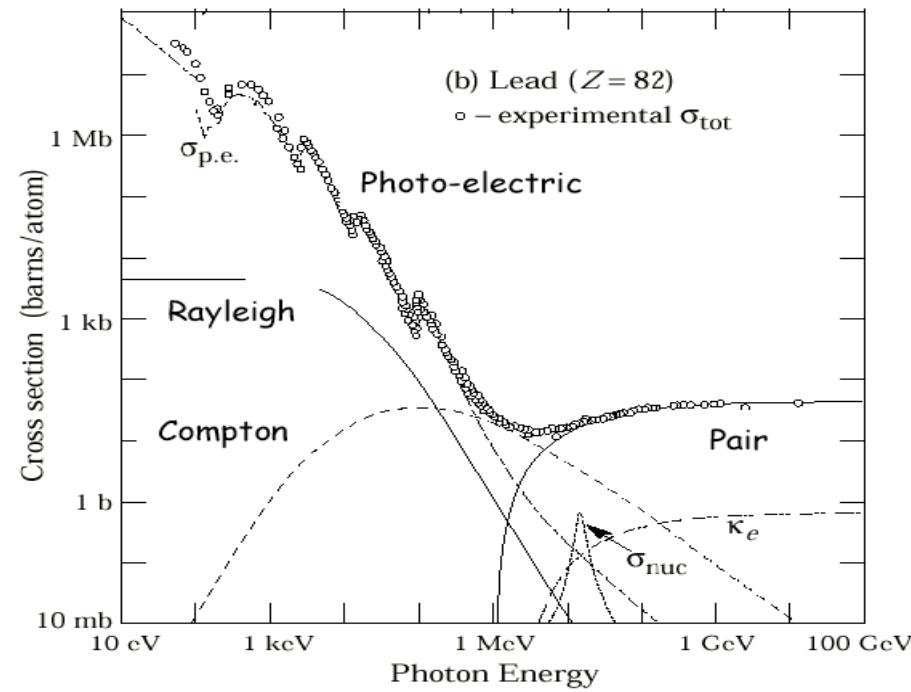
$$\frac{dE}{dx}_{\text{Brems}} = -\frac{E}{X_0} \Rightarrow E(x) = e^{-\frac{x}{X_0}}$$

with  $X_0$  = radiation length

$$X_0 = 716.4 \text{ g cm}^{-2} \frac{A}{Z(Z+1) \ln \frac{287}{\sqrt{Z}}}$$

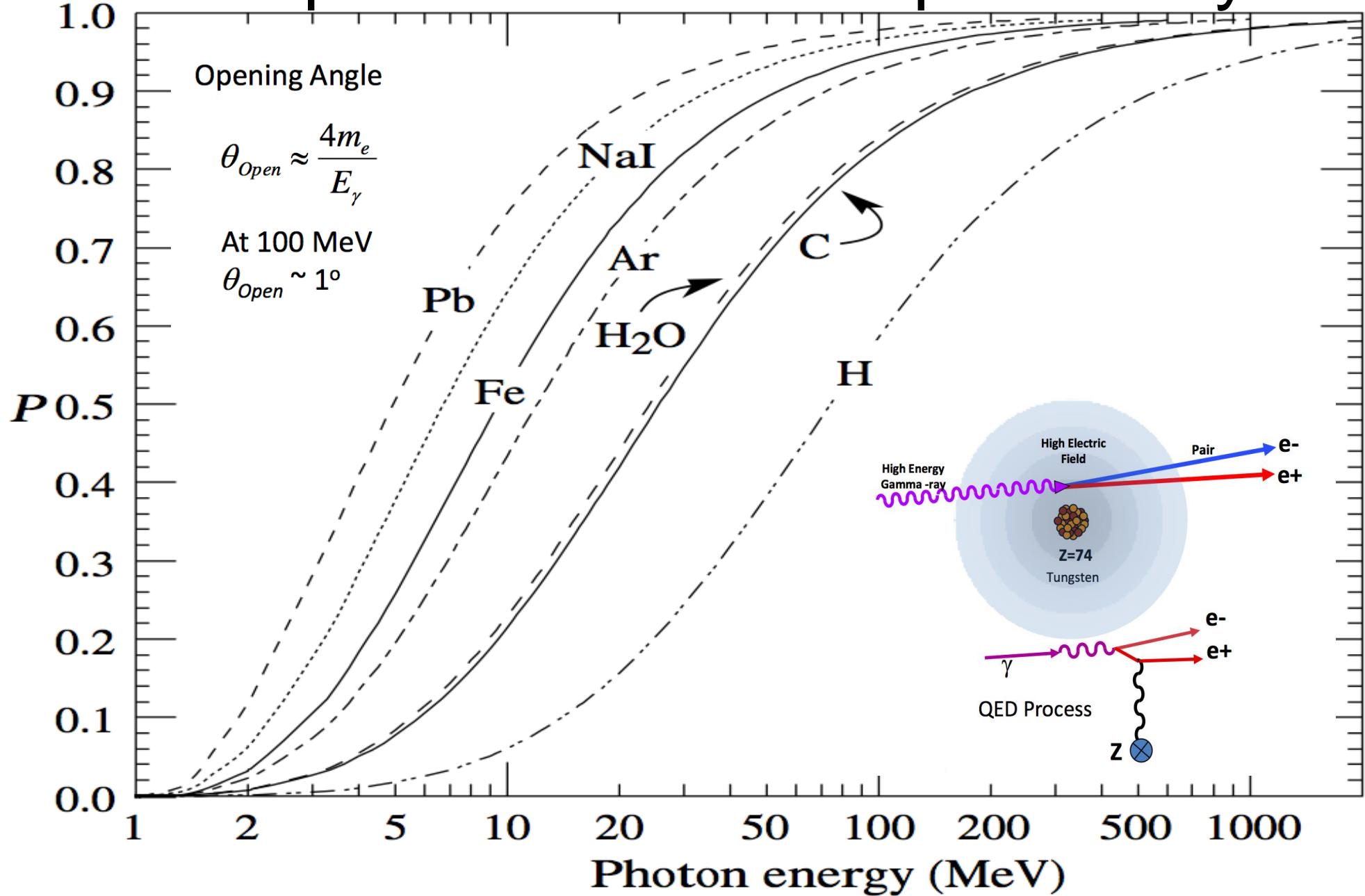
$$\text{Prob. of Int.} = 1 - \exp^{-\frac{7}{9} \frac{x}{X_0}}$$

## Photon total cross sections

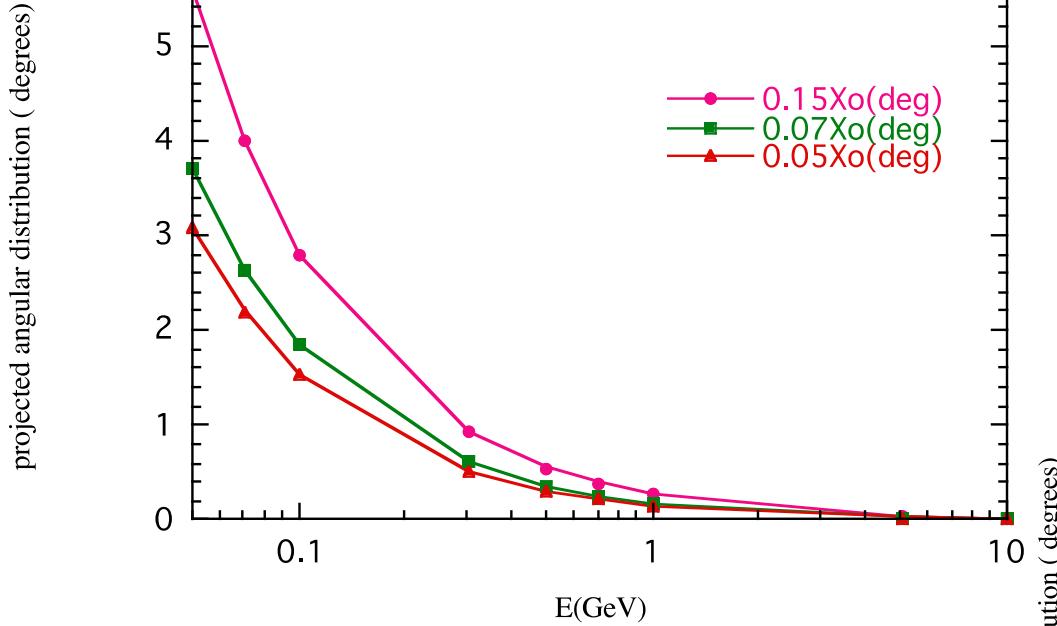


$x/X_0$	Prob Int.
0.5	0.40
1	0.54
2	0.79
7	0.995

# Pair photon interaction probability

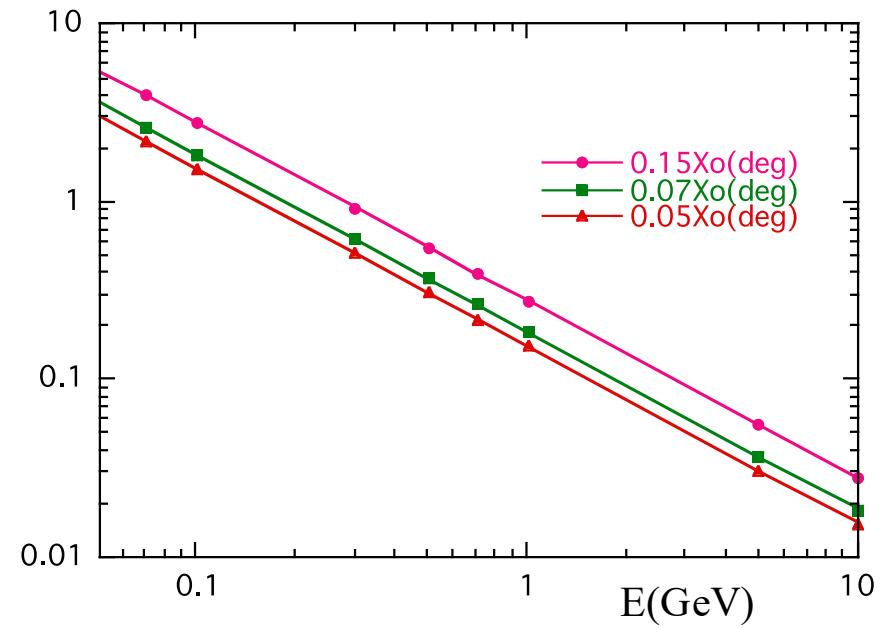


# Multiple Scattering

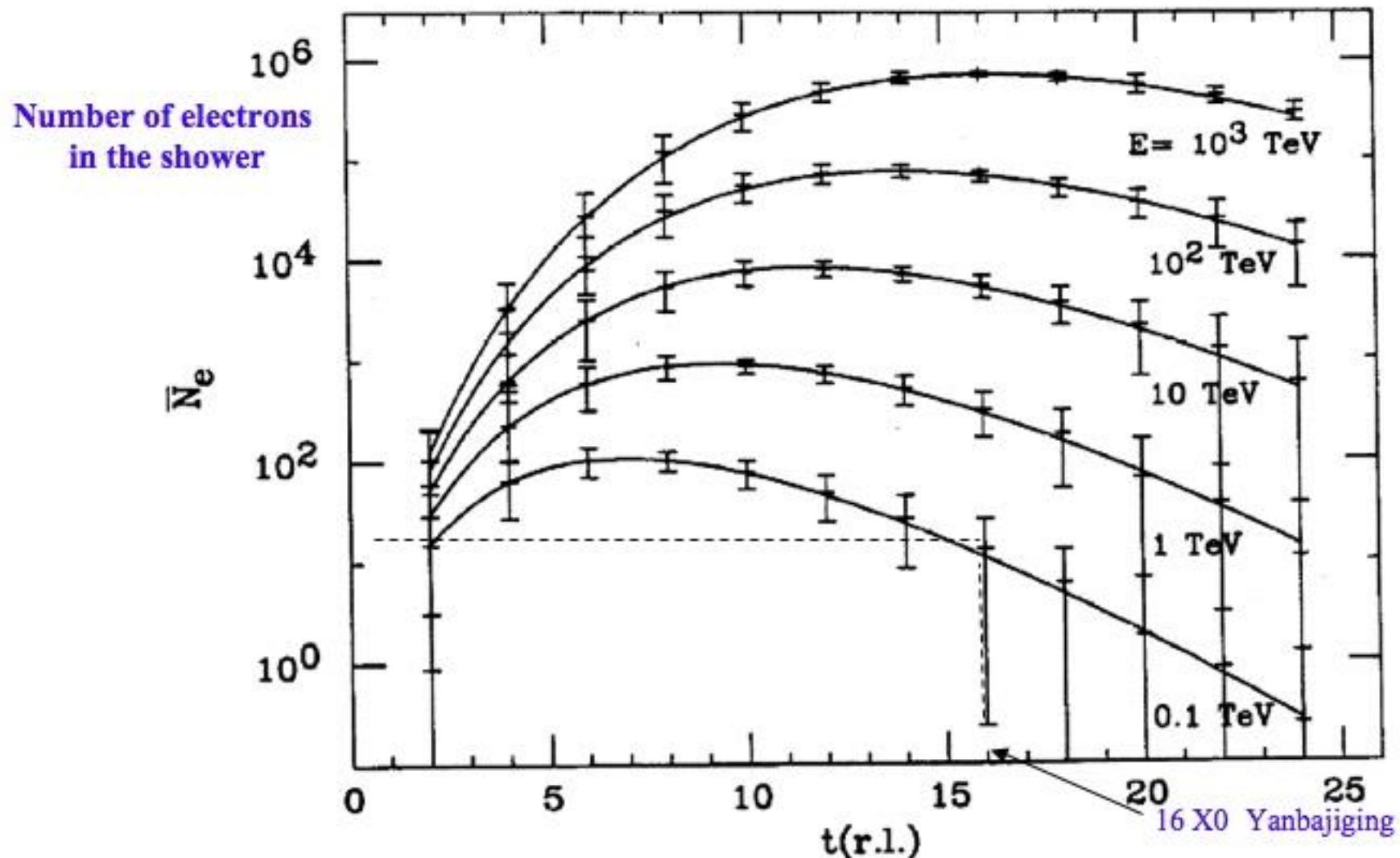


$$\theta_0 = \theta_{plane}^{rms} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \theta_{space}^{rms}$$

$$\theta_0 = \frac{13.6 MeV}{\beta cp} z \sqrt{x/X_0} [1 + 0.038 \ln(x/X_0)]$$



# Longitudinal development of the electron component of photon initiated shower ( with electron threshold energy of 5 MeV and fluctuations superimposed )



## A wide aperture telescope for high energy gamma rays detection

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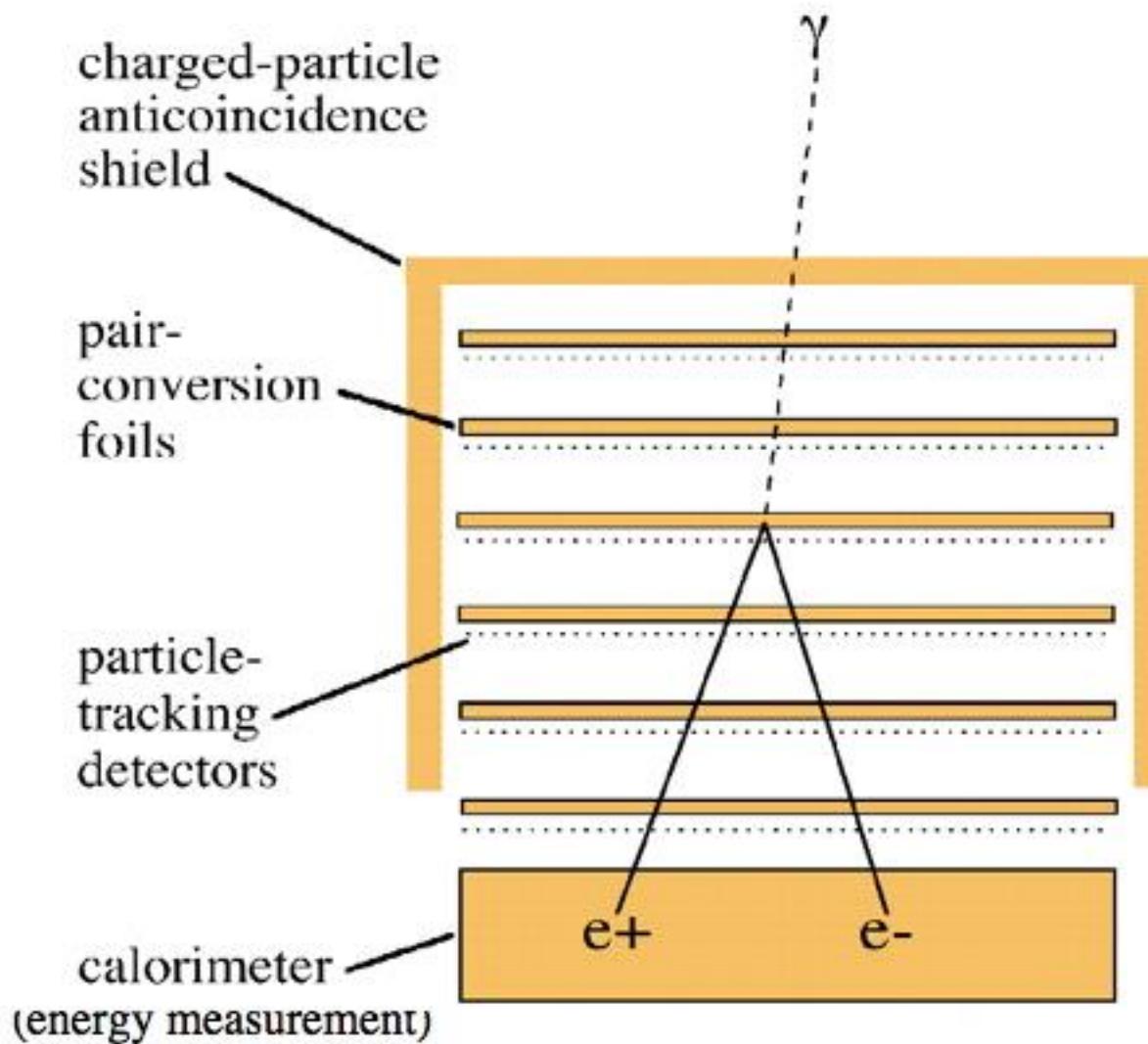
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# Elements of a pair-conversion telescope



- photons materialize into matter-antimatter pairs:  
 $E_\gamma \rightarrow m_{e^+}c^2 + m_{e^-}c^2$
- electron and positron carry information about the direction, energy and polarization of the  $\gamma$ -ray



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

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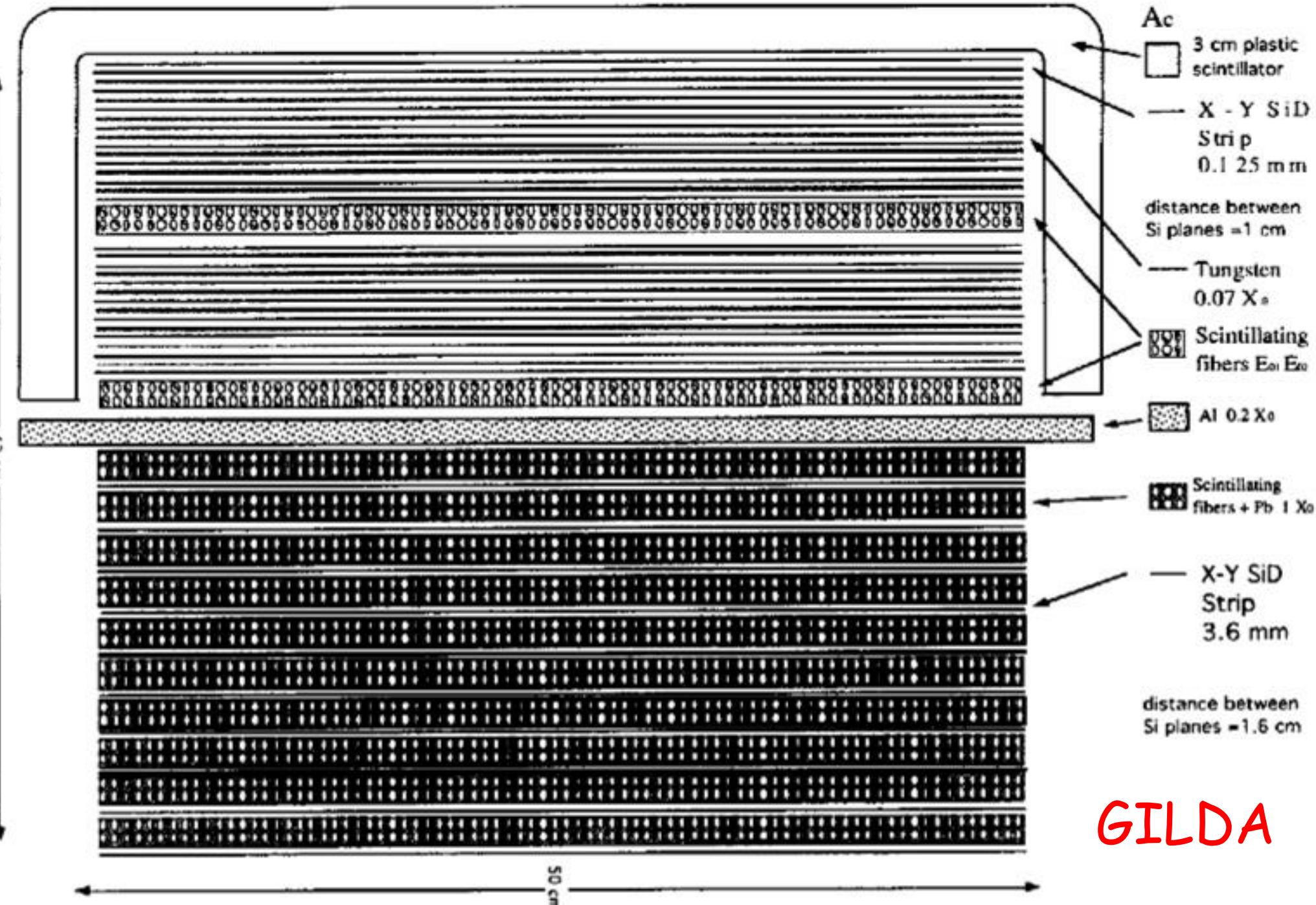
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## Abstract

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.

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## AGILE: Rivelatore a immagini gamma leggero

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### Introduzione

L'astrofisica gamma delle alte energie nella banda 30 MeV–10 GeV beneficierebbe enormemente durante i primi anni del 2000 dall'esistenza di un rivelatore al silicio a largo campo e con sensibilità e accuratezza confrontabili o migliore di EGRET. Presentiamo qui il concetto di tale missione leggera, AGILE (*Astro-rivelatore Gamma a Immagini LEggero*) dalle dimensioni e peso (inferiore ai 50 kg) ridotte ma dall'elevata e unica capacità di rivelare sorgenti gamma galattiche e extragalattiche. La tecnologia al silicio permette di rivelare radiazione gamma con enormi vantaggi rispetto a EGRET. AGILE non presenterà problemi di rifornimento di gas, non necessita di alti valori di tensione, è caratterizzata da un tempo morto breve ( $1\mu\text{s}$ ) e da un trigger fornito esclusivamente dai piani di silicio. L'assenza di un calorimetro non consente di avere informazione spettrale dettagliata. Tuttavia, l'enorme vantaggio di realizzare uno strumento molto leggero e dalle elevate prestazioni di rivelazione (sia di risoluzione angolare che di flusso) rende AGILE altamente competitivo rispetto a future missioni astrofisiche di alta energia. AGILE sfrutta l'esperienza del gruppo proponente nella realizzazione di satelliti astrofisici con tecnologia al silicio. L'intero rivelatore è da realizzarsi in Italia con un costo dello strumento inferiore ai 10 miliardi e costo complessivo della missione inferiore ai 25 miliardi di lire.

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## GILDA40: rivelatore di raggi gamma al Silicio

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### Introduzione

La proposta del telescopio gamma GILDA40 nasce dall'attivita' consolidata della collaborazione internazionale denominata WiZard che prevede le missioni *Nina* (prevista volare per l'autunno 1997) e *Pamela* (programmata per la seconda meta' del 2000). Cio' significa che esiste un contesto scientifico in cui GILDA40 si inserisce naturalmente. Costi e tempi di sviluppo possono essere realisticamente e sensibilmente bassi visto che e' possibile attingere a tutto il lavoro di progettazione, realizzazione e test gia' esistente (vedi descrizione tecnica). Il telescopio GILDA40 fa infatti uso di rivelatori al silicio ad alta risoluzione spaziale. Questi offrono grandi vantaggi per la rivelazione astrofisica di radiazione gamma: non presentano problemi di rifornimento di gas, non necessitano di alti valori di tensione nè di fotomoltiplicatori per l'analisi del segnale, presentano un tempo morto breve ( $1\mu s$ ) e un trigger dato esclusivamente dai piani di silicio. Lo strumento consiste in un tracciatore al silicio e di un calorimetro di dimensioni e peso opportunamente configurati in base all'orbita scelta. GILDA40 puo' volare sia su un satellite a puntamento con orbita equatoriale, che in *scanning mode* su un satellite elio-sincrono. GILDA40 puo' essere realizzata interamente in Italia entro tre anni con un costo dello strumento inferiore ai 10 miliardi di lire.

# AGILE

Phase A Report  
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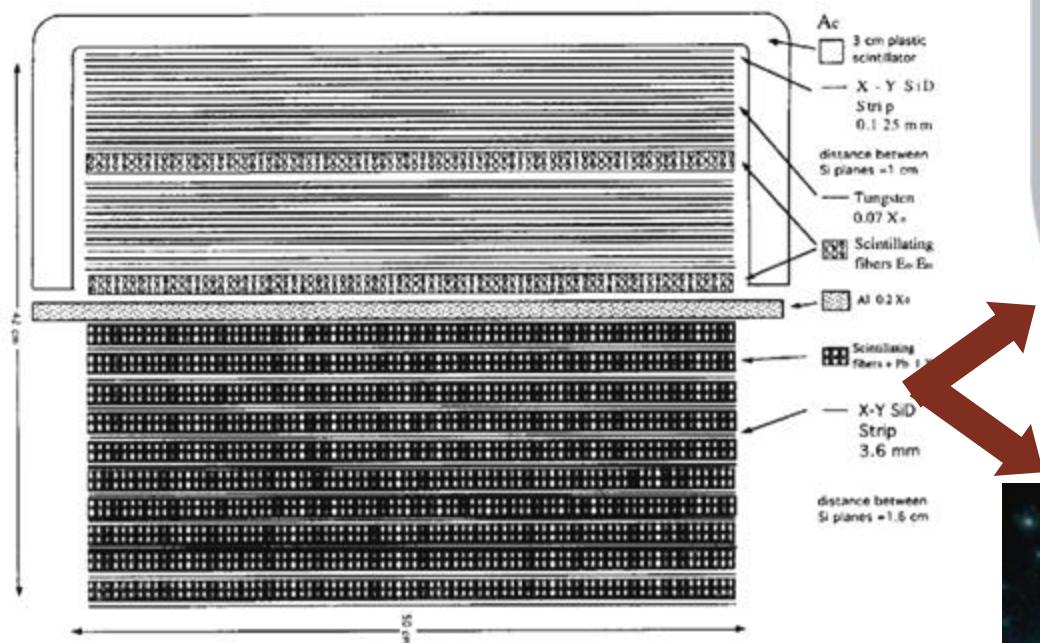
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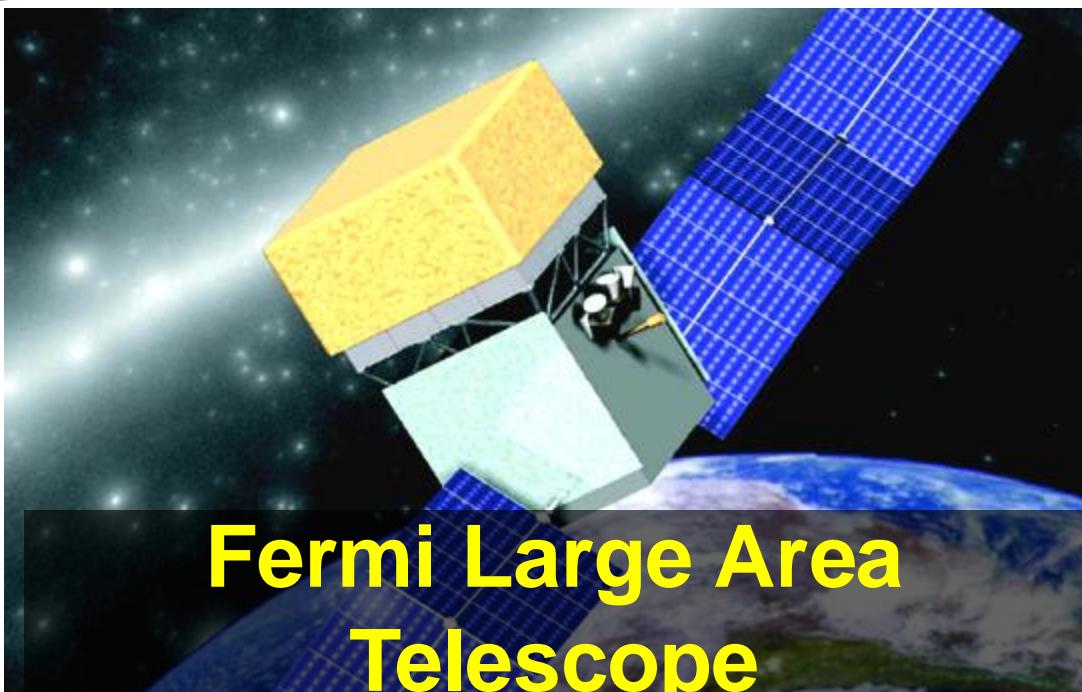
# GILDA



## Development of GLAST, a broadband High-Energy Gamma-Ray Telescope using Silicon Strip Detectors

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Proposal presented to NASA, Space Physics Division in response to "Proposal for High Energy Astrophysics Supporting Research and Technology Program", NRA 95-OSS-17



# AGILE

23 April 2007

16 years and 10 month in orbit



# AGILE



23 April 2007 - 23 April 2022

Happy 15<sup>th</sup> Birthday Agile !!

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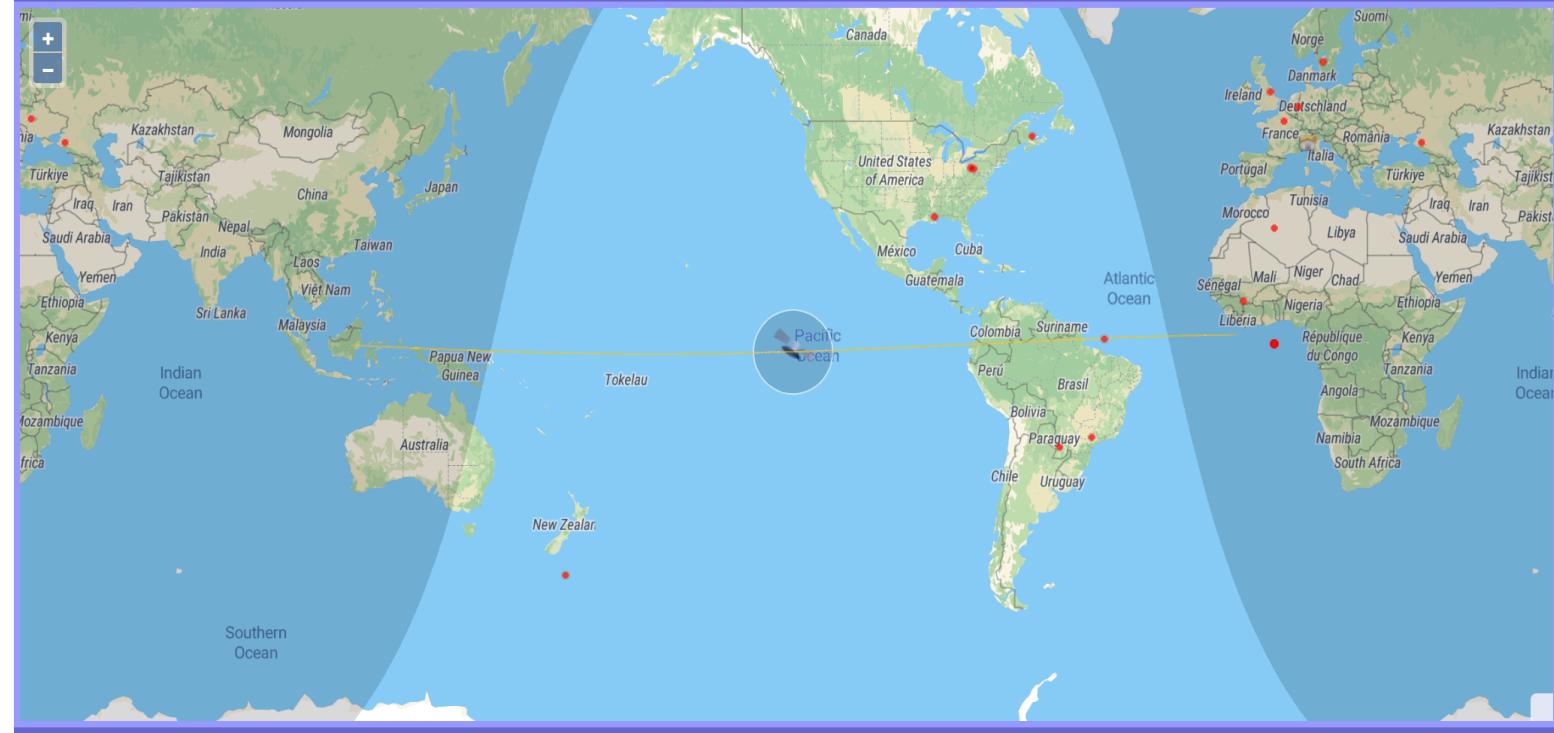
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# Summary of AGILE results in >16 years of operations

- **Publications:** the scientific production of the AGILE Team consists of **> 800 bibliographic references in ADS, of which > 160 refereed articles.**
- The monitoring of the sky with a rapid and efficient alert system led to the publication of **>240 ATels** and **>300 GCNs**. From May 2019, **101 MCAL GCN automatic notices** have been published.
- The Quick Look system developed by INAF-OAS, distributed between the data center at SSDC and INAF-OAS in Bologna, produced **scientific results within ~ 25 min** from the data downlink to the ASI Malindi ground station: an absolute record for gamma astrophysics. The Team has also developed **AGILEScience - App on Google Play and App Store** to monitor and follow the observations of the AGILE satellite on mobile devices.
- **AGILE and the search for GW counterparts:** participation of Team members with shifts 24/7 during LIGO-VIRGO observational runs. AGILE follow-up of all **pre-O4 GW events**, with **96 GW-AGILE type GCNs published during O3** and collected in a dedicated web page in SSDC:  
[https://agile.ssdc.asi.it/news\\_gw.html](https://agile.ssdc.asi.it/news_gw.html)      AGILE completed the follow-up of all GW events **up to the end of LVK O4a (first part) on Jan 16, 2024**.
- AGILE contribution to **Fast Radio Bursts** science: **very important discovery** on April 28, 2020 published in **Nature, Tavani et al. 2021** (2021NatAs...5..401T)

## THE AGILE LEGACY

AGILE archives and catalogs are available to the community through the ASI SSDC.

Science activities continue. We have just published on Feb. 29, 2024 all AGILE-GRID data **up to January 15, 2024. A data reprocessing is in progress.**

Open-source Python software package **Agilepy** (INAF-OAS) and/or **SSDC AGILE-LV3 online data analysis tool**.

**With AGILE's re-entry, the in-orbit operational phase ended, but a new phase of scientific work on the satellite legacy data archive opens.**

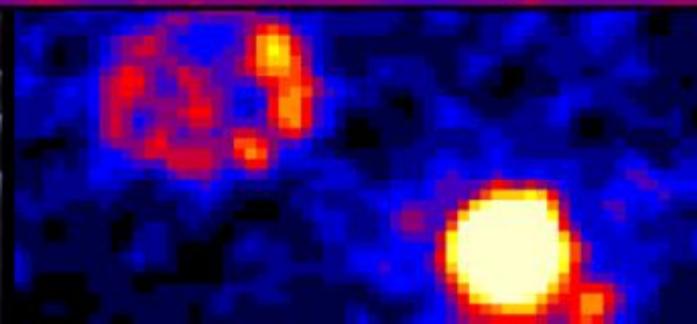
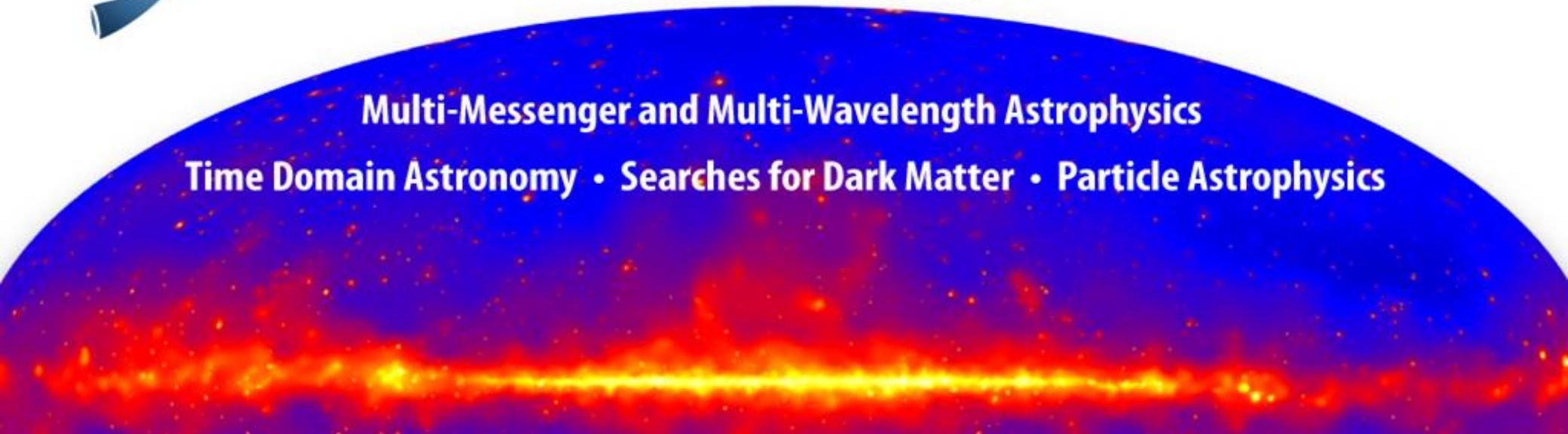
Work in progress on new catalogs with and without **Machine Learning** techniques.  
**Stay tuned for further results.**



# Fermi Gamma-Ray Space Telescope

Multi-Messenger and Multi-Wavelength Astrophysics

Time Domain Astronomy • Searches for Dark Matter • Particle Astrophysics



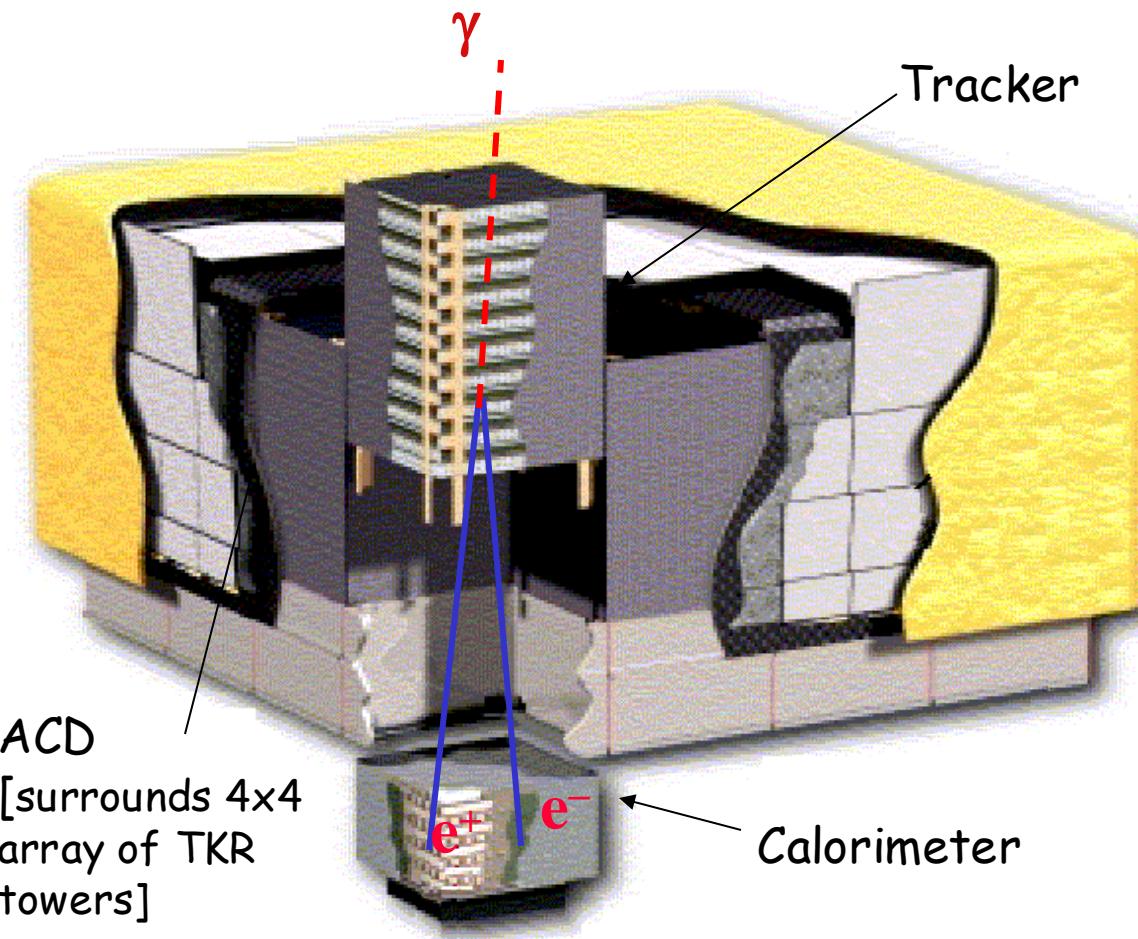


Happy 16<sup>th</sup> Birthday Fermi !!

11 June 2008

# Fermi LAT: A Telescope Without Lenses

- Precision Si-strip Tracker (TKR) 70 m<sup>2</sup> of silicon detectors arranged in 36 planes. 880,000 channels.
- Hodoscopic CsI Calorimeter(CAL) 1536 CsI(Tl) crystals in 8 layers, total mass 1.5 tons.
- Segmented Anticoincidence Detector (ACD) 89 plastic scintillator tiles.
- Electronics System Includes flexible hardware trigger and onboard computing.



# The Fermi Observatory

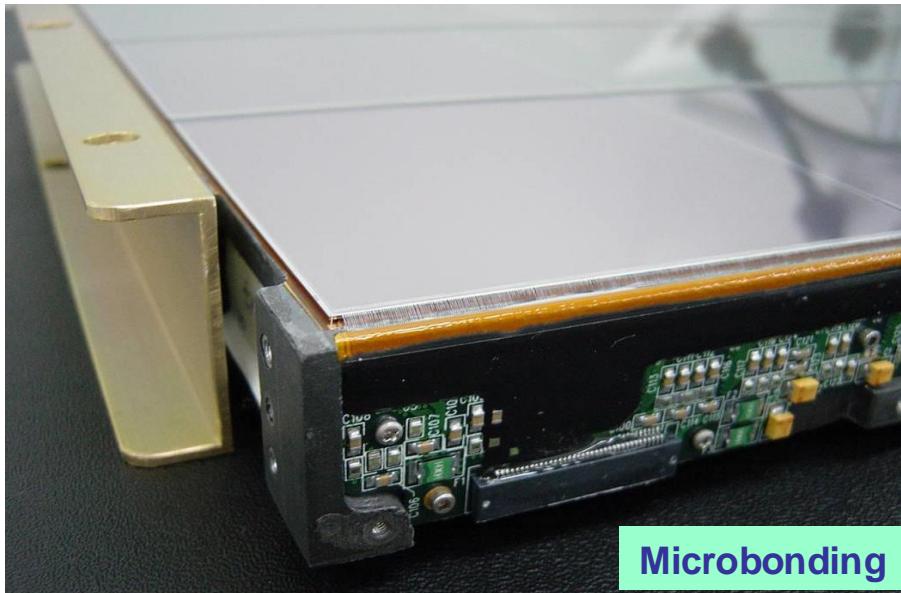
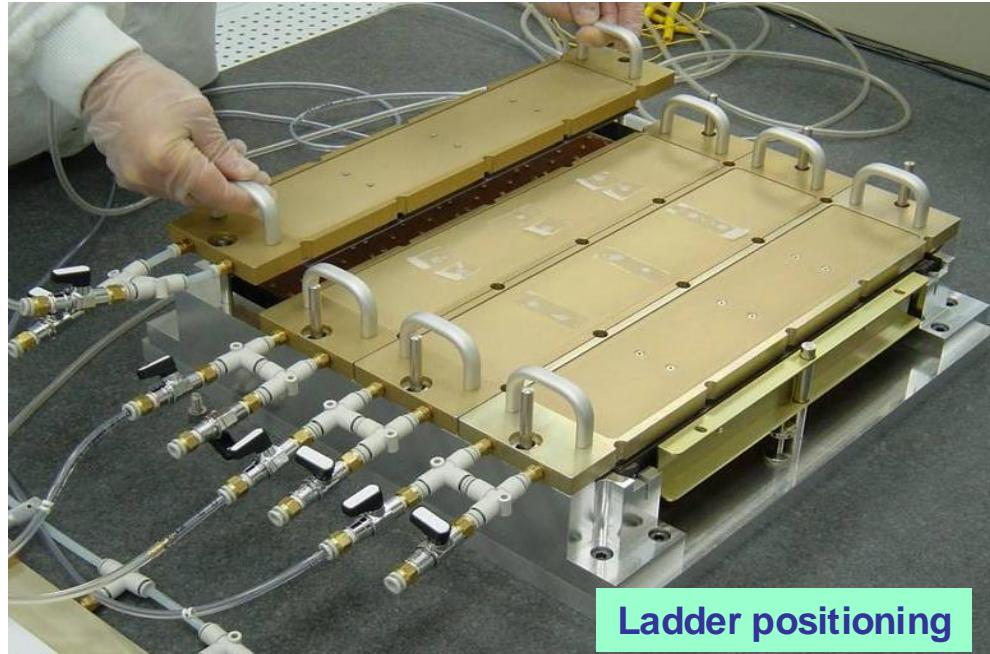
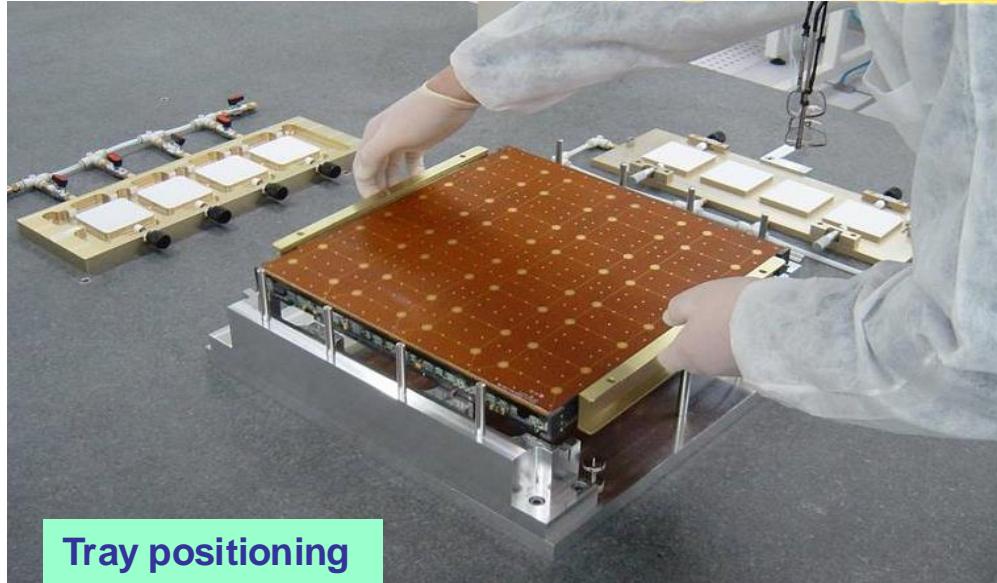


LAT  
Large  
Area  
Telescope

GBM  
Sodium Iodide  
Detector

GBM  
Bismuth  
Germanate  
Detector

# Tray assembly in G&A



Microbonding

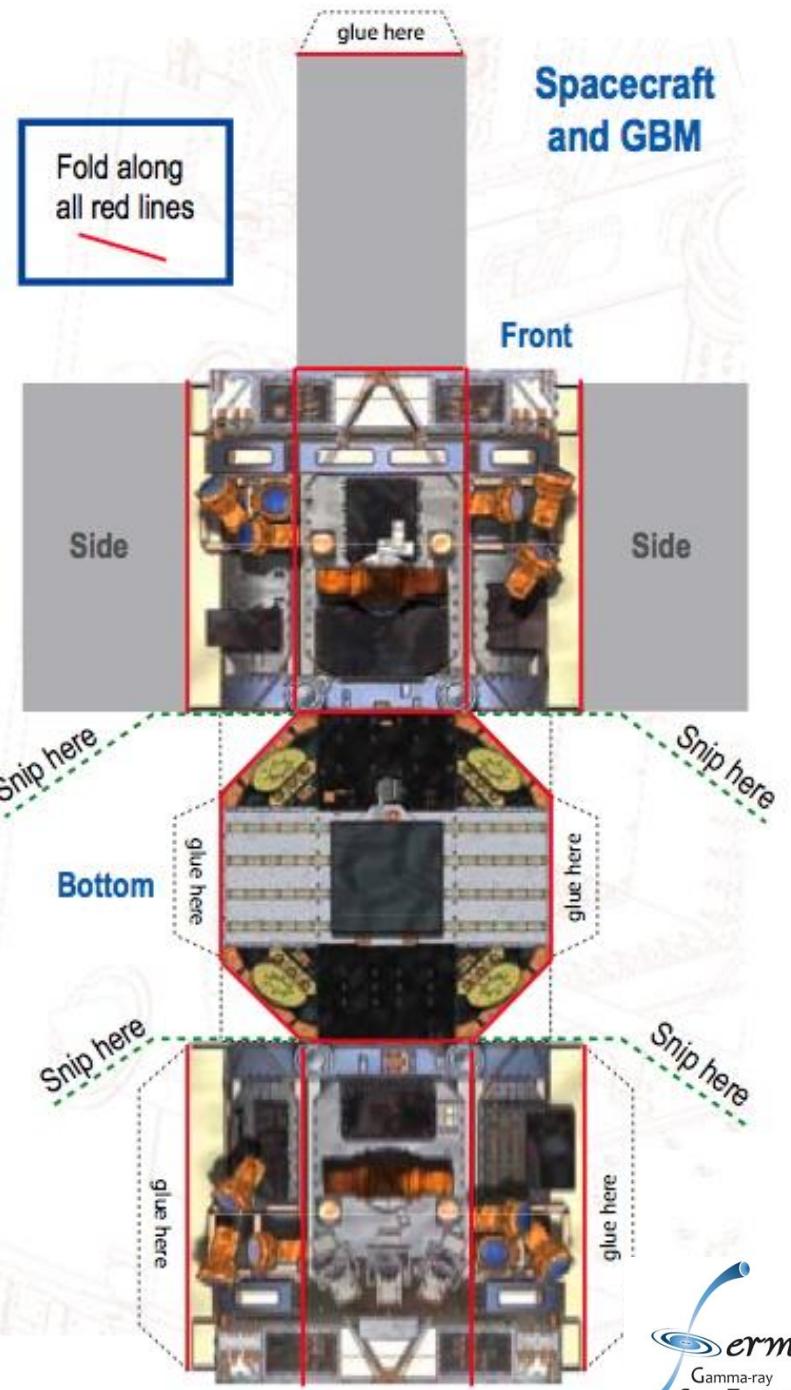
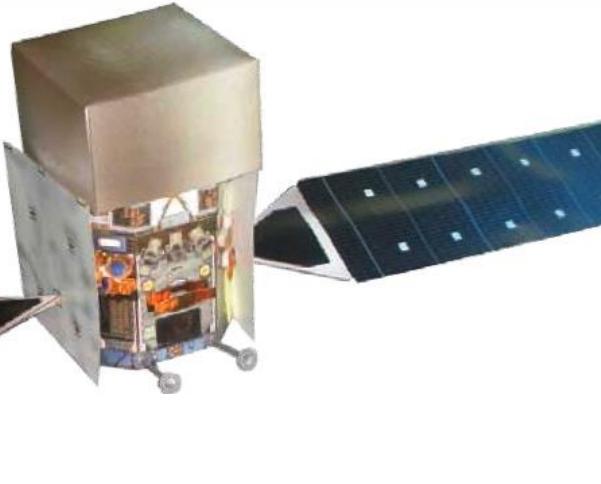
- 160 bare panels produced
- 100 tested and qualified for integration with ladders
- completed trays for 3.3 towers
- 6 assembly chain ready
- Max assembly rate : 3 trays/day/shift



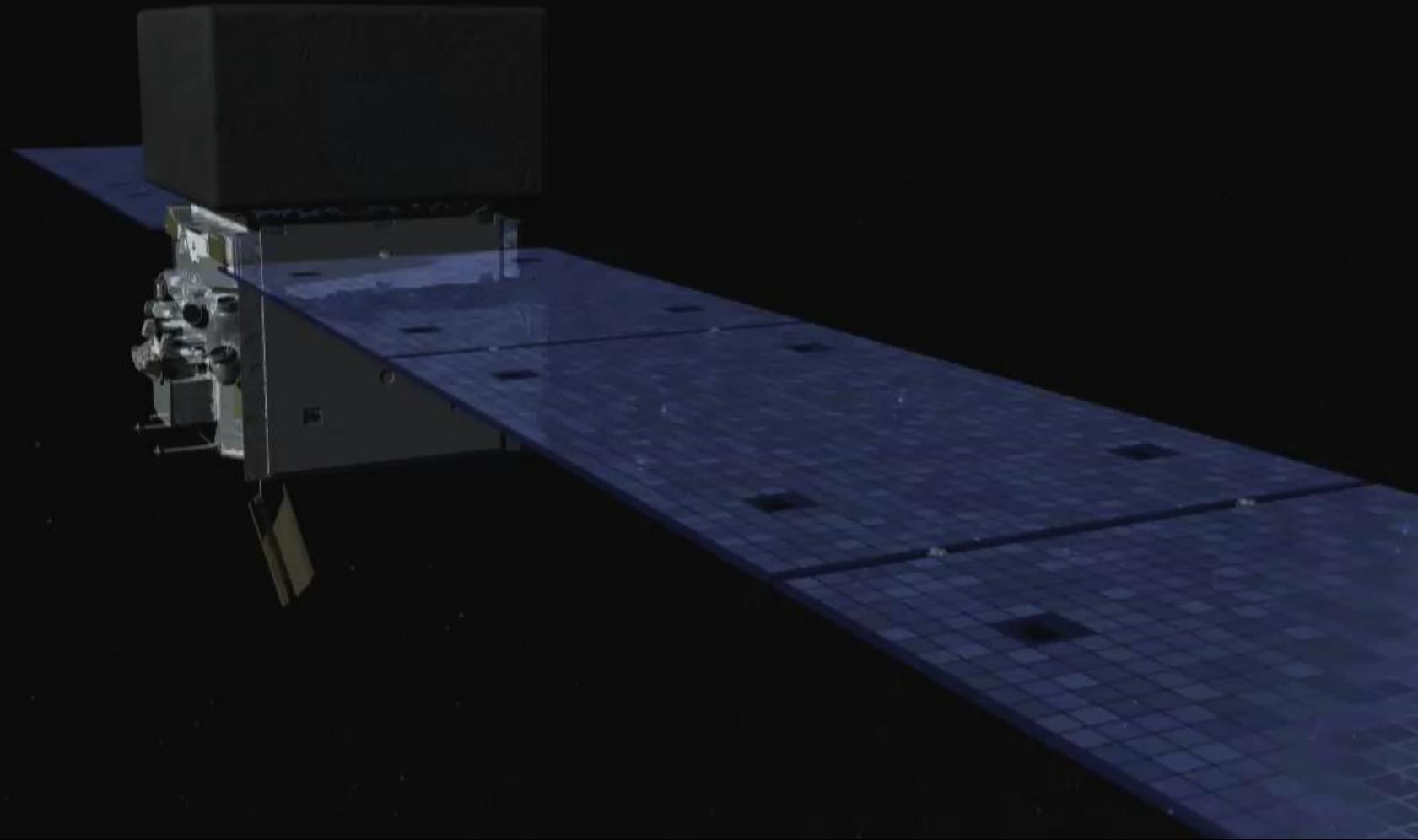
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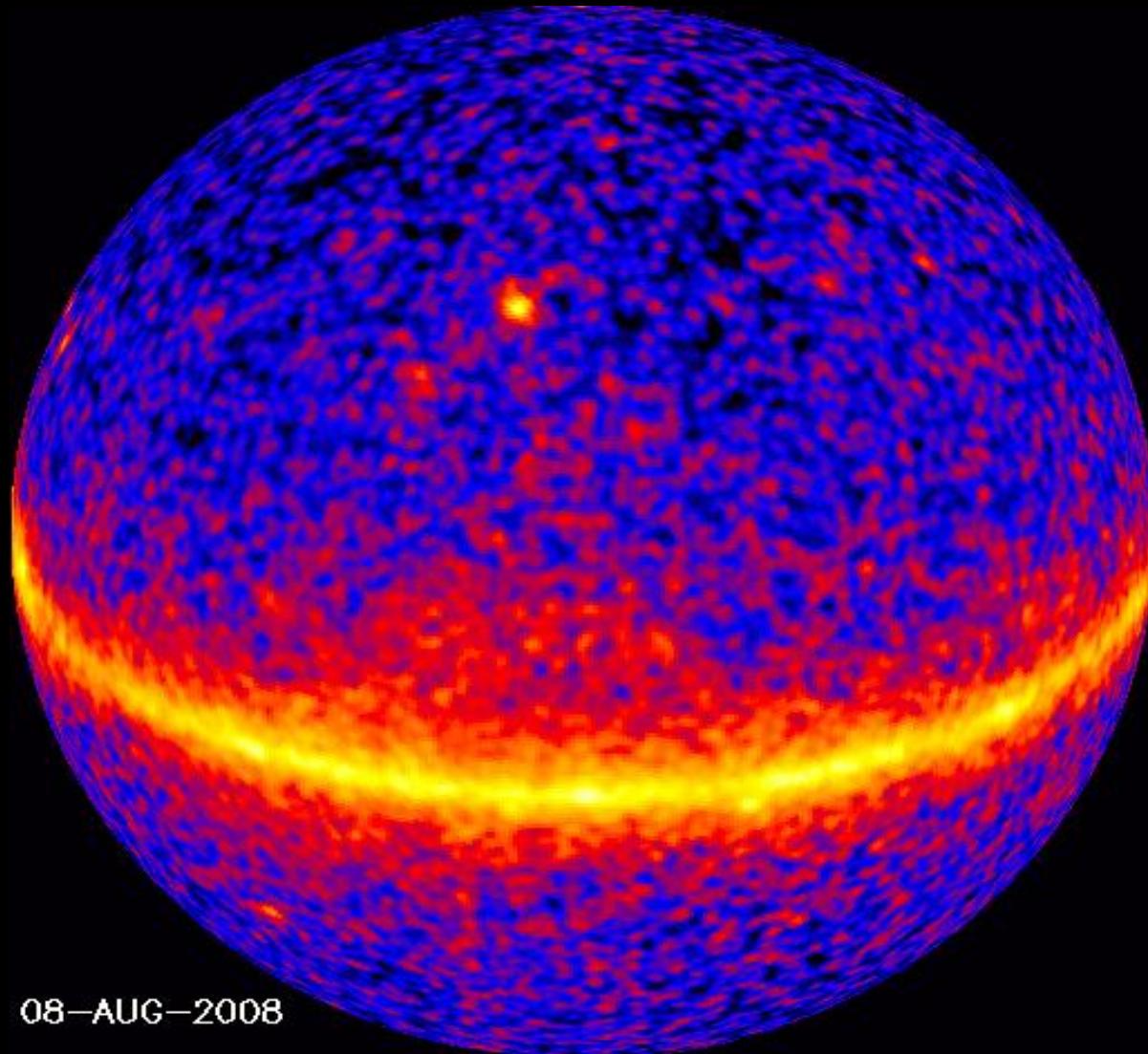


Spacecraft  
and GBM





# Daily Gamma-ray Sky



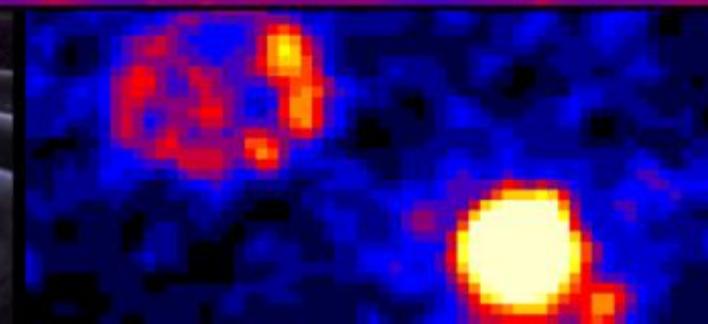
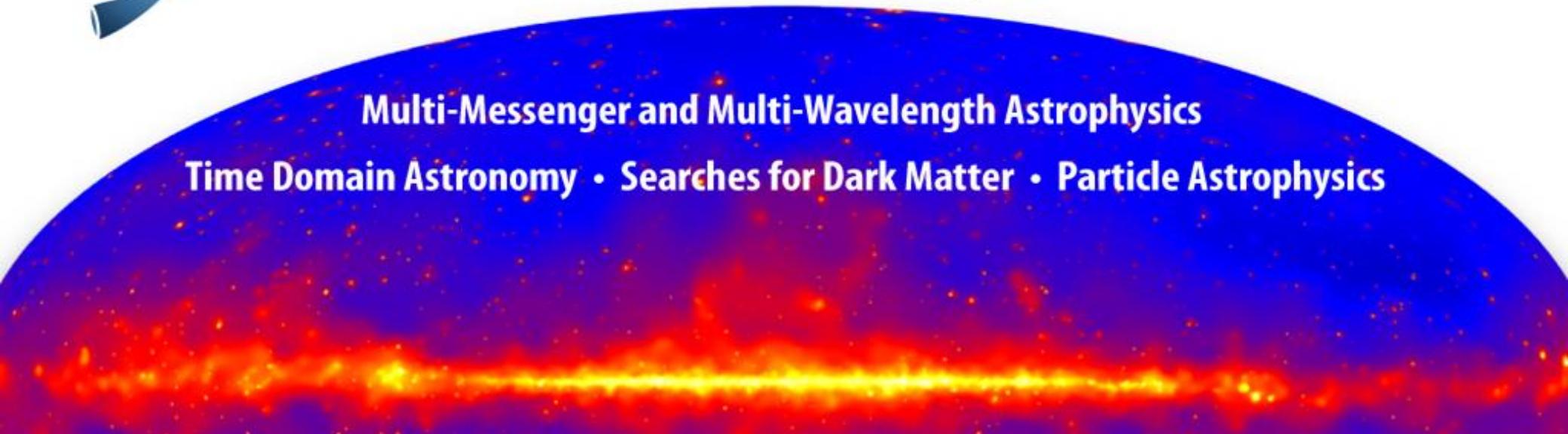
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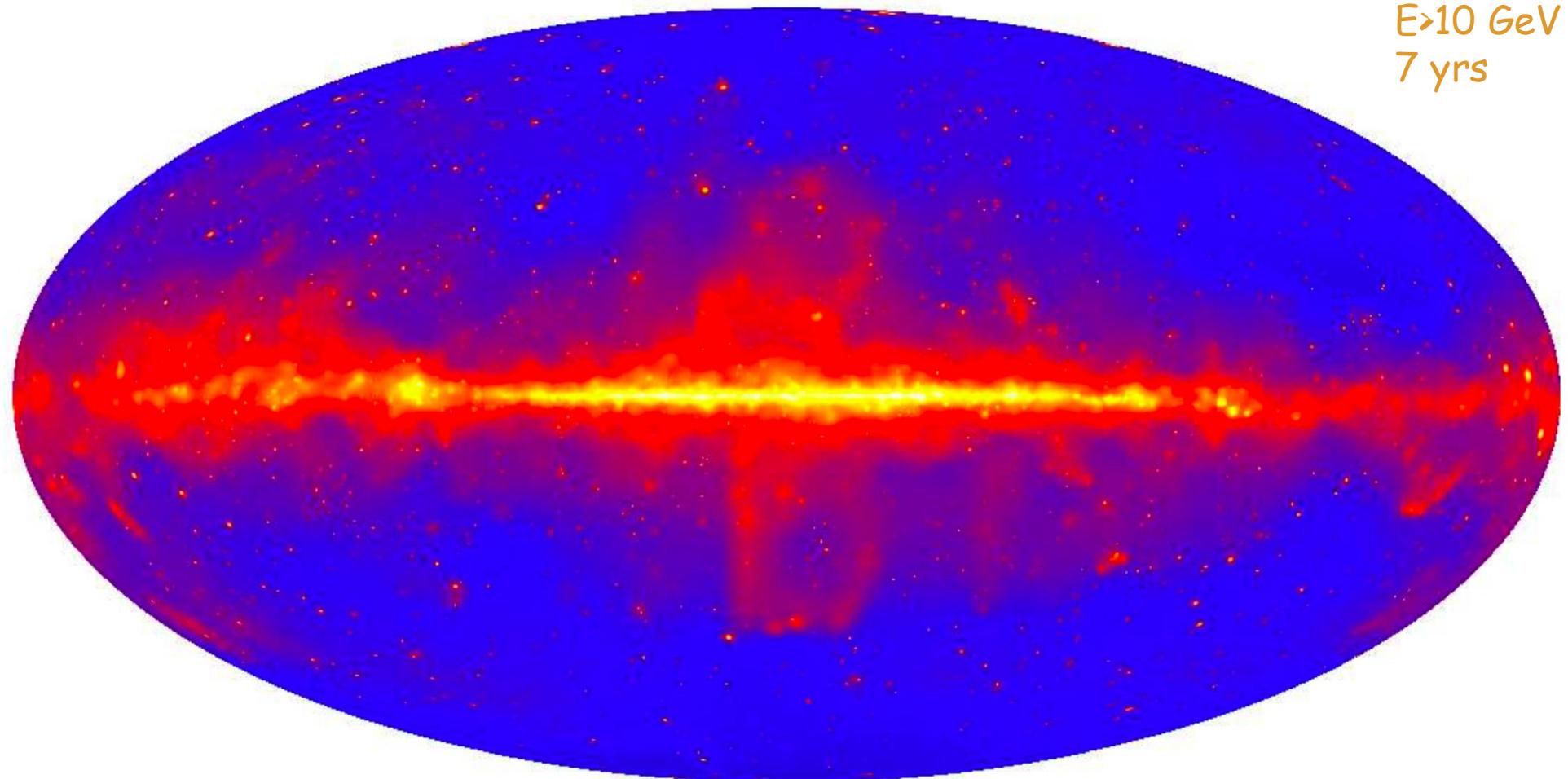
# Fermi Gamma-Ray Space Telescope

Multi-Messenger and Multi-Wavelength Astrophysics

Time Domain Astronomy • Searches for Dark Matter • Particle Astrophysics

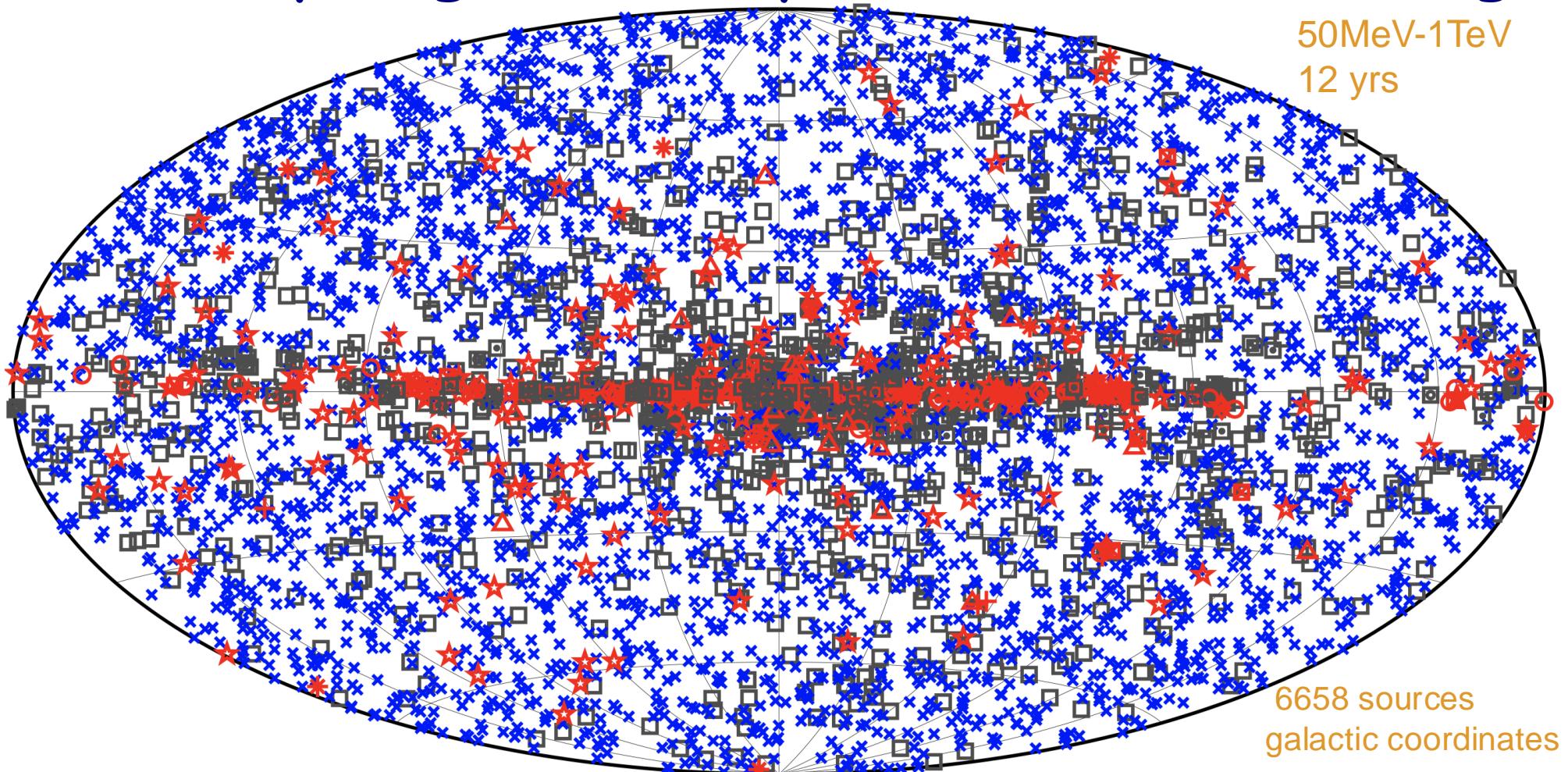


# The sky in gamma-rays



M.Ackermann et al. [Fermi Coll.] 3FHL: The Third Catalog of Hard Fermi-LAT Sources ApJS 2017 232 arXiv:1702.00664

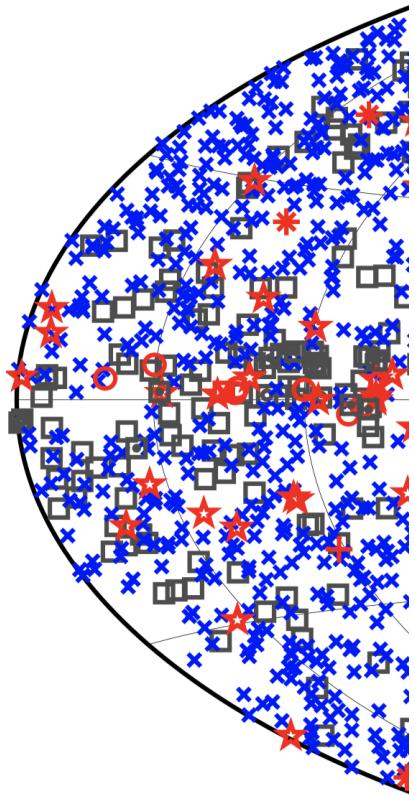
# The sky in gamma-rays 4<sup>th</sup> source catalog



- |                       |  |   |      |
|-----------------------|--|---|------|
| □ No association      | ▣ Possible association with SNR or PWN | × | AGN  |
| ★ Pulsar              | △ Globular cluster                     | * | PWN  |
| ▣ Binary              | + Galaxy                               | ○ | Nova |
| ★ Star-forming region | ▣ Unclassified source                  |   |      |

Incremental Fermi Fouth Source Catalog, ApJS 260, 53 (2022) [arXiv: 2201.11184]

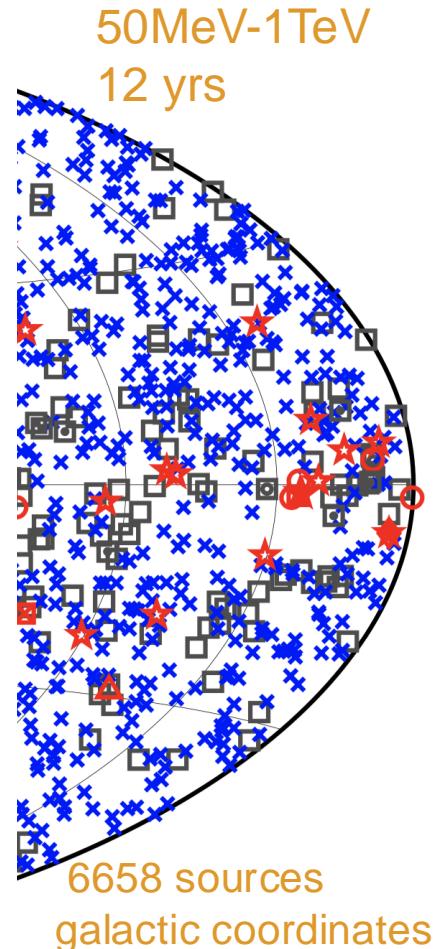
# The sky in gamma-rays 4<sup>th</sup> source catalog



- No assoc
- ★ Pulsar
- Binary
- ◆ Star-form

Description	Identified		Associated	
	Designator	Number	Designator	Number
Galactic center	GC	1	...	...
Young pulsars, identified by pulsations	PSR	135	...	...
Young pulsars, no pulsations seen in LAT yet	...	...	psr	2
Millisecond pulsars, identified by pulsations	MSP	120	...	...
Millisecond pulsars, no pulsations seen in LAT yet	...	...	msp	35
Pulsar wind nebula	PWN	11	pwn	8
Supernova remnant	SNR	24	snr	19
Supernova remnant / Pulsar wind nebula	SPP	0	spp	114
Globular cluster	GLC	0	glc	35
Star-forming region	SFR	3	sfr	2
High-mass binary	HMB	8	hmb	3
Low-mass binary	LMB	2	lmb	6
Binary	BIN	1	bin	6
Nova	NOV	4	nov	0
BL Lac type of blazar	BLL	22	bll	1435
FSRQ type of blazar	FSRQ	44	fsrq	750
Radio galaxy	RDG	6	rdg	39
Nonblazar active galaxy	AGN	1	agn	8
Steep spectrum radio quasar	SSRQ	0	ssrq	2
Compact steep spectrum radio source	CSS	0	css	5
Blazar candidate of uncertain type	BCU	1	bcu	1491
Narrow-line Seyfert 1	NLSY1	4	nlsy1	4
Seyfert galaxy	SEY	0	sey	2
Starburst galaxy	SBG	0	sbg	8
Normal galaxy (or part)	GAL	2	gal	4
Unknown	UNK	0	unk	134
Total	...	389	...	4112
Unassociated	...	...	...	2157

NOTE—The designation ‘spp’ indicates potential association with SNR or PWN. ‘Unknown’ are  $|b| < 10^\circ$  sources solely associated with the likelihood-ratio method from large radio and X-ray surveys. Designations shown in capital letters are firm identifications; lower-case letters indicate associations.



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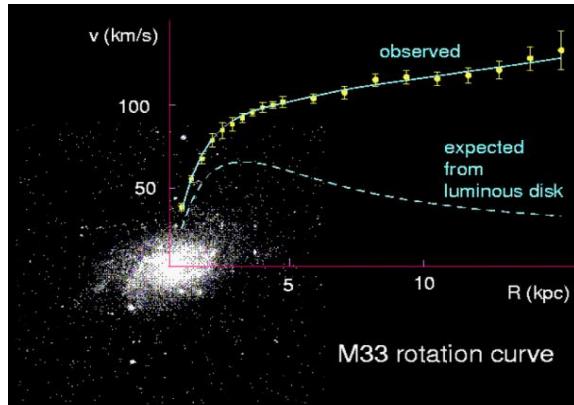
# Dark Matter EVIDENCE

In 1933, the astronomer Zwicky realized that the mass of the luminous matter in the Coma cluster was much smaller than its total mass implied by the motion of cluster member galaxies.

Since then, even more evidence:



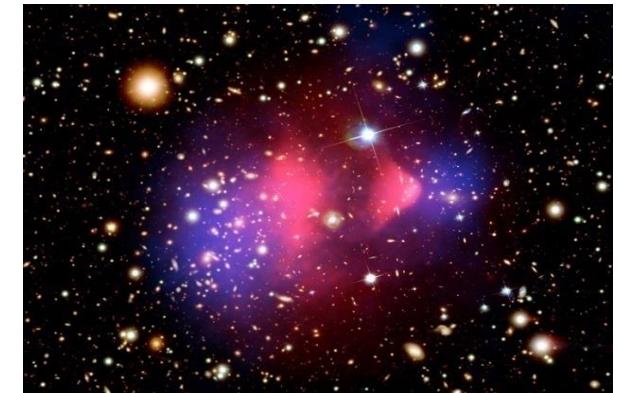
Rotation curves of galaxies



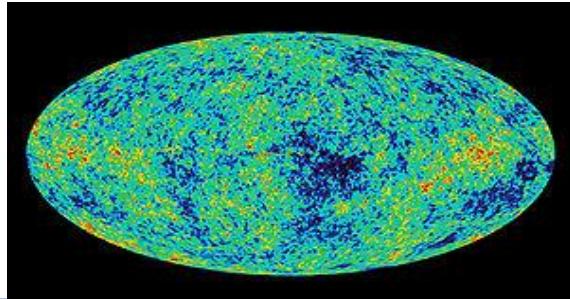
Gravitational lensing



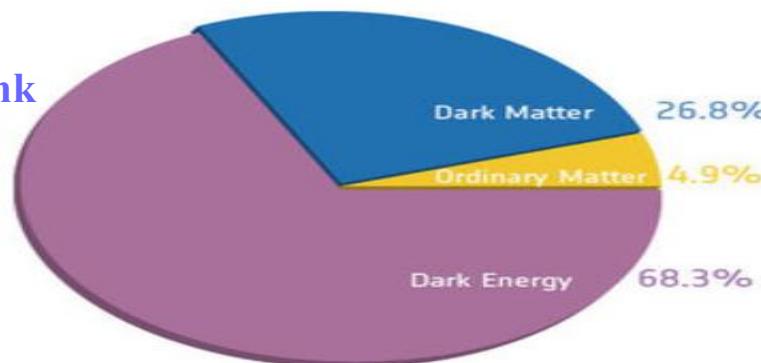
Bullet cluster



Structure formation as deduced from CMB



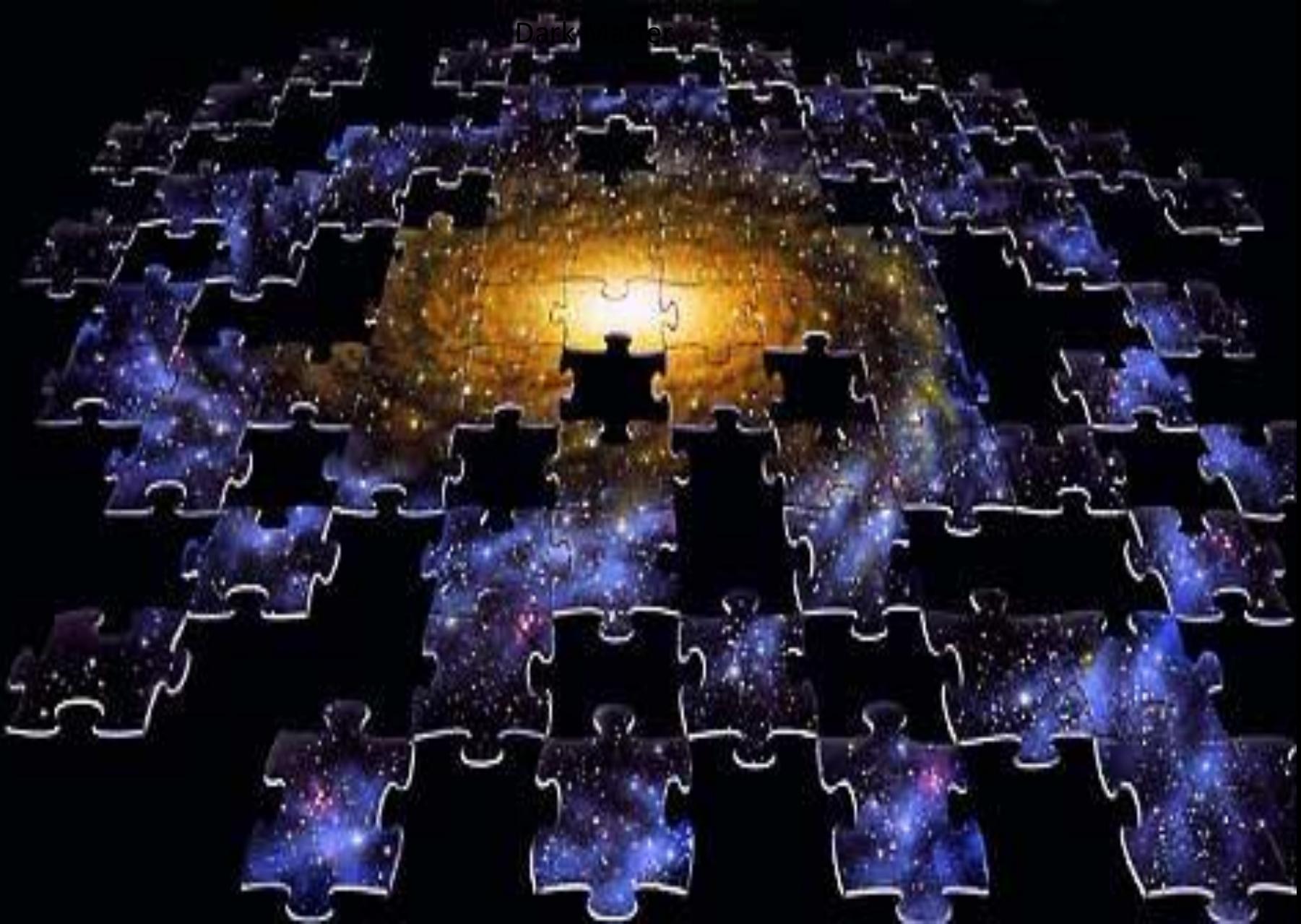
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imply:



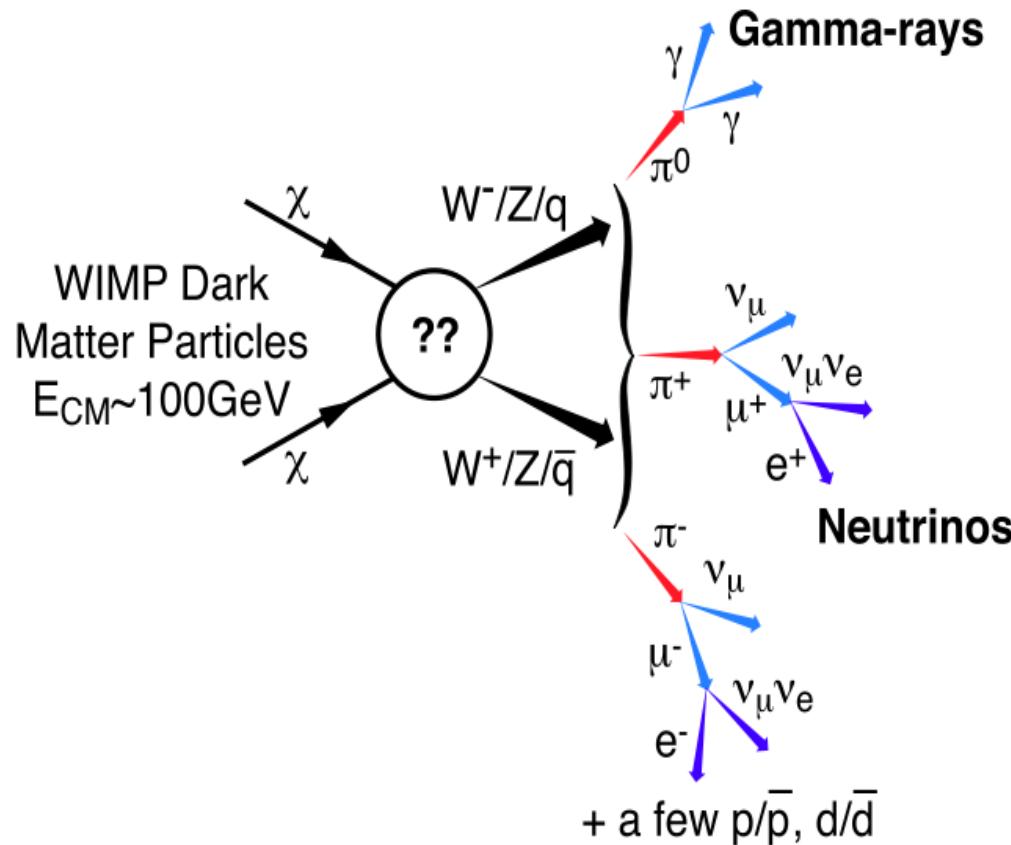
$$\Omega_{\text{DM}} \approx 26.8\%$$

$$\Omega_{\text{M}} \approx 4.9\%$$

Dark Matter



# Annihilation channels



Analysis  
Chain



Dark Matter Density e.g. N-body Simulation

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New Particle Theory e.g. SUSY, Extra-dim

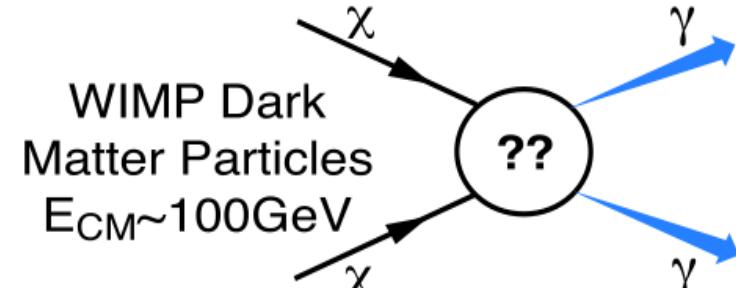
Final State Hadronization e.g. PYTHIA Simulation

??

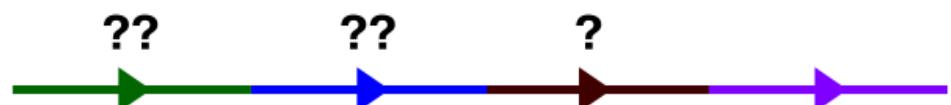
Cosmic Ray Propagation and Galactic Interaction i.e. GALPROP

Detector Simulation i.e. GEANT4

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# Signal rate from WIMP annihilation

gamma-ray flux from  
WIMP annihilation

$$\phi(E, \Delta\Omega) \propto \left( \frac{\sigma v}{m_\chi^2} \right) \int_{l.o.s} \int_{\Delta\Omega} \rho^2(l) dld\Omega$$

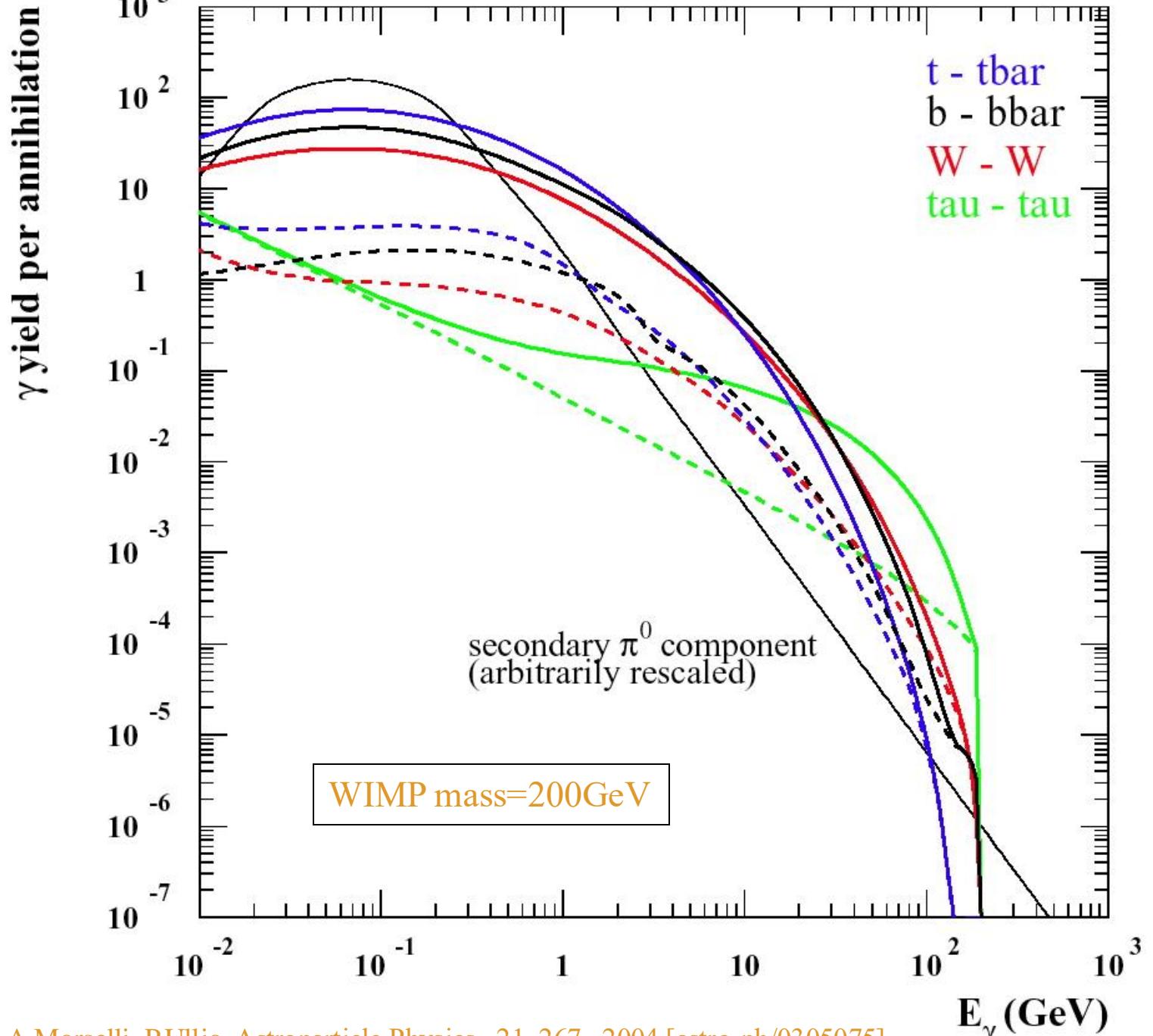
governed by  
particle physics  
(supersymmetric  
parameters .. etc )

J( $\varphi$ ):  
governed by  
halo distribution

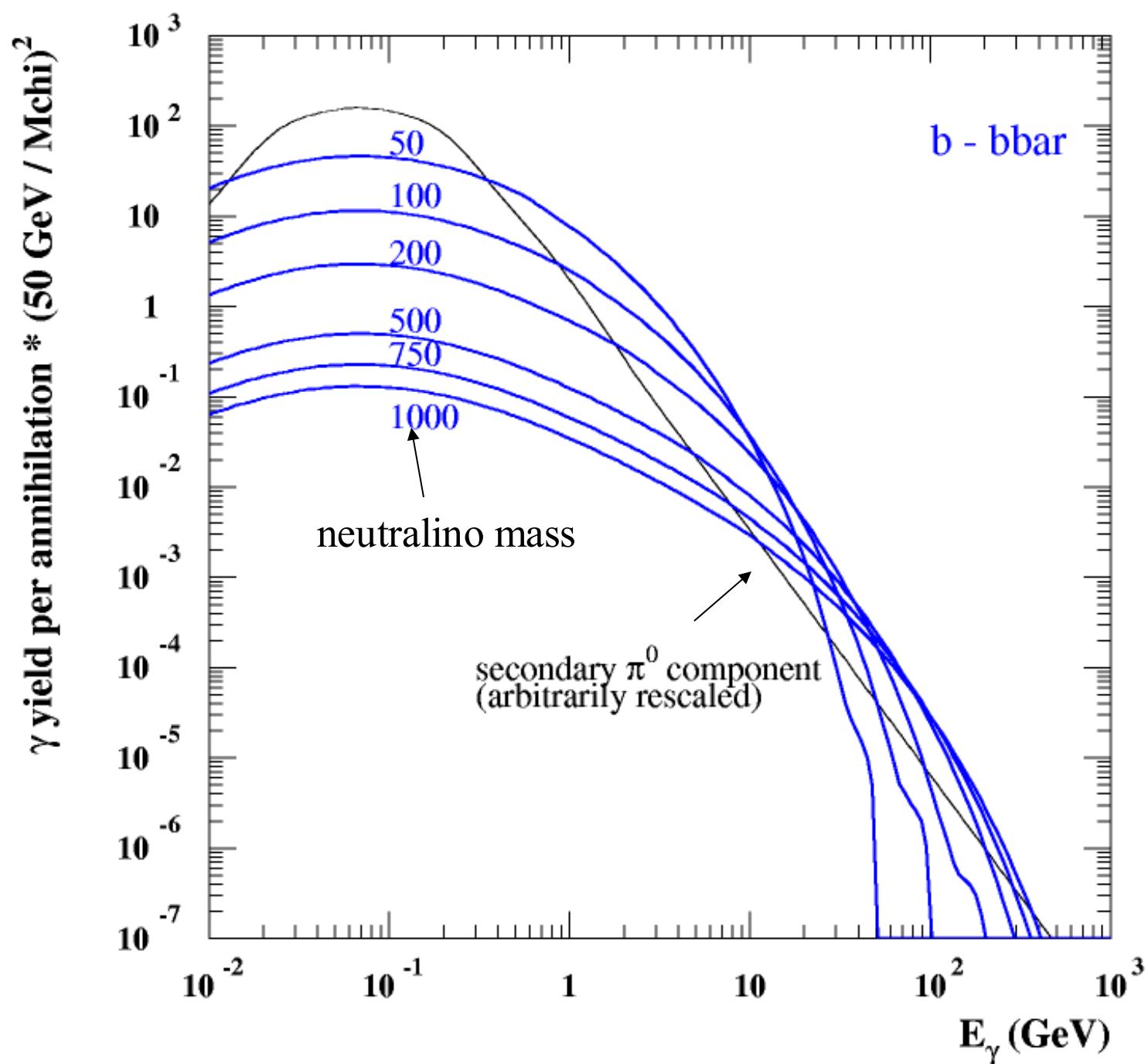
A red circle surrounds the term  $\left( \frac{\sigma v}{m_\chi^2} \right)$ . A larger red oval surrounds the entire spatial integration term  $\int_{l.o.s} \int_{\Delta\Omega} \rho^2(l) dld\Omega$ . Two arrows point from blue boxes at the bottom to these red shapes: one arrow points to the interaction term, and another points to the spatial integration term.

## Differential yield for each annihilation channel

dashed lines are components not due to  $\pi^0$  decay.



## Differential yield for b bar



# Dark Matter Search: Targets and Strategies

## Satellites

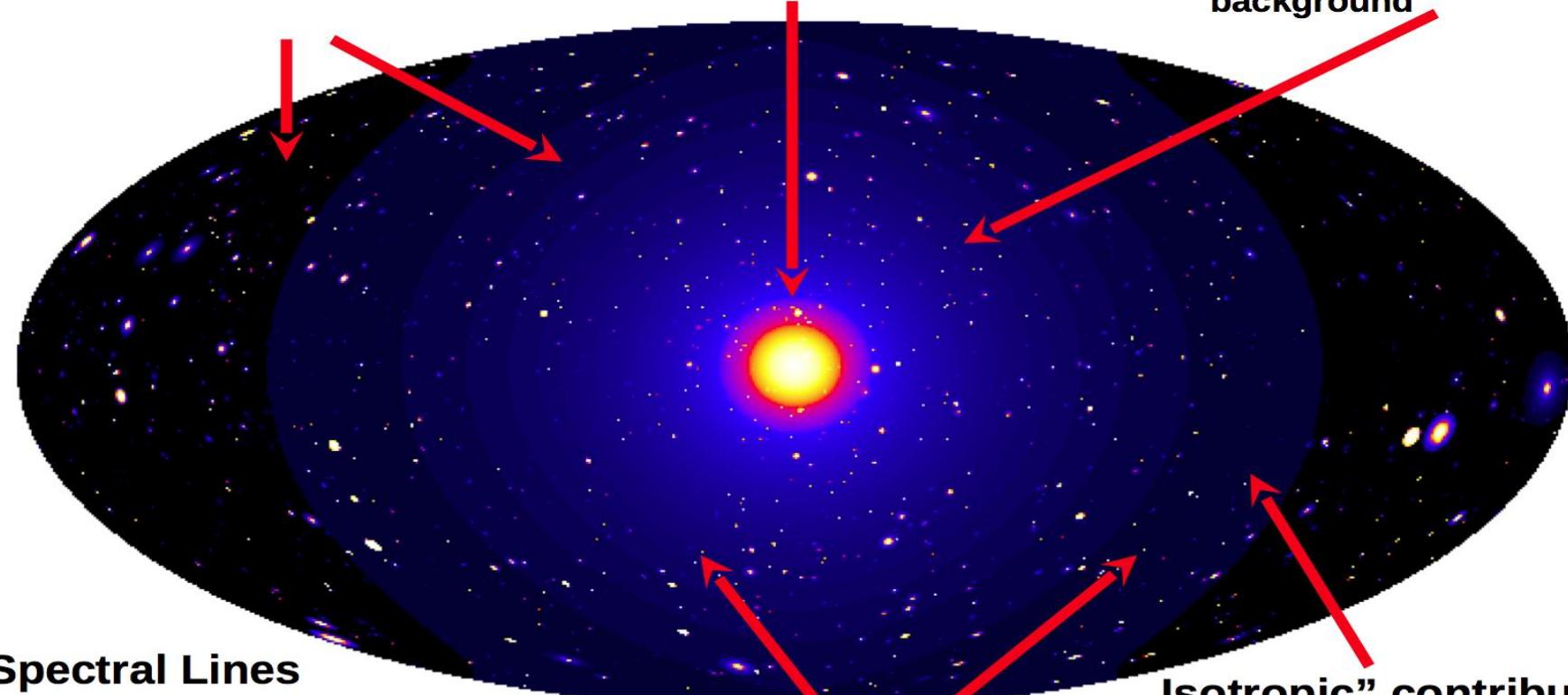
Low background and good source id, but low statistics

## Galactic Center

Good Statistics, but source confusion/diffuse background

## Milky Way Halo

Large statistics, but diffuse background



## Spectral Lines

Little or no astrophysical uncertainties, good source id, but low sensitivity because of expected small branching ratio

## Galaxy Clusters

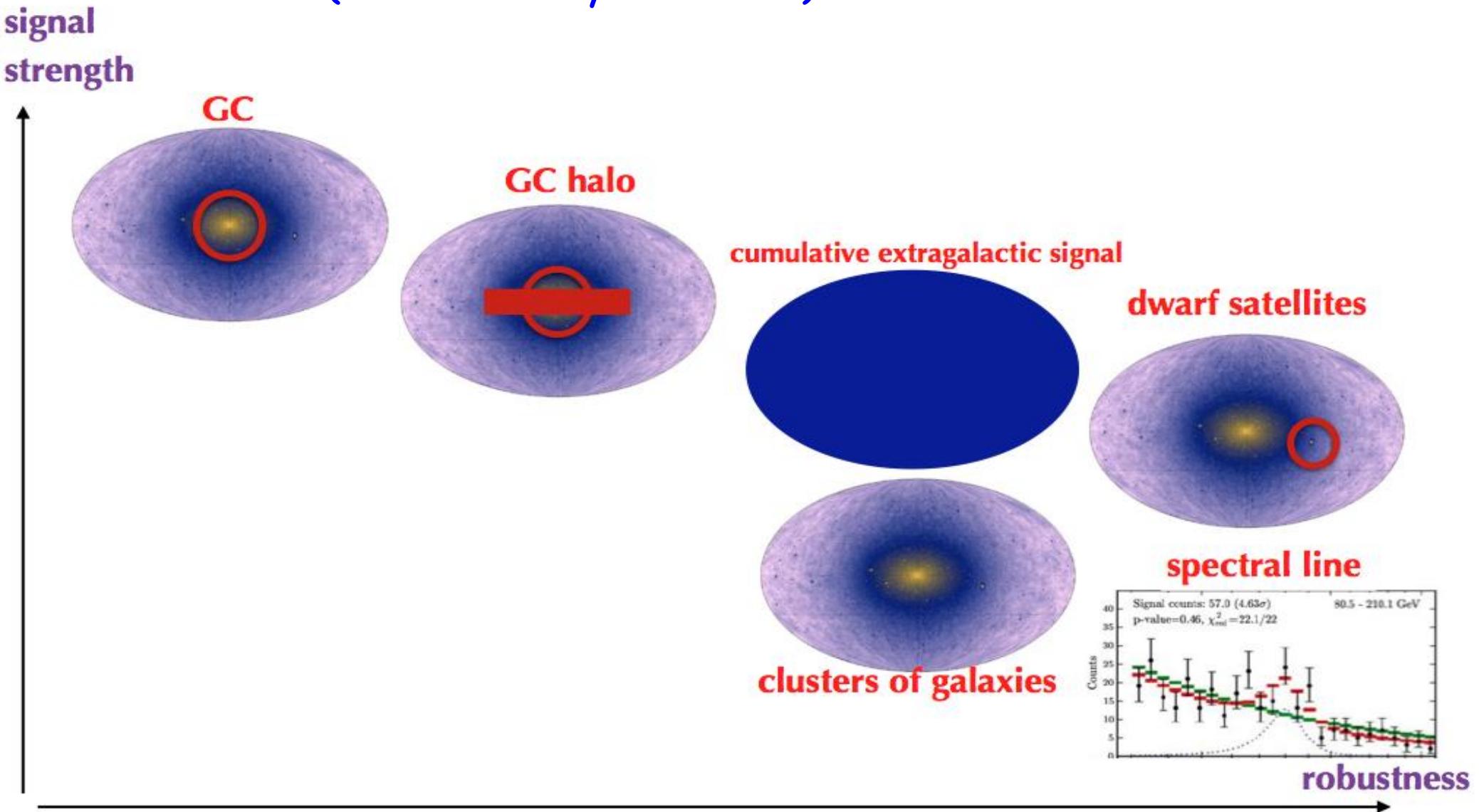
Low background, but low statistics

## "Isotropic" contributions

Large statistics, but astrophysics, galactic diffuse background

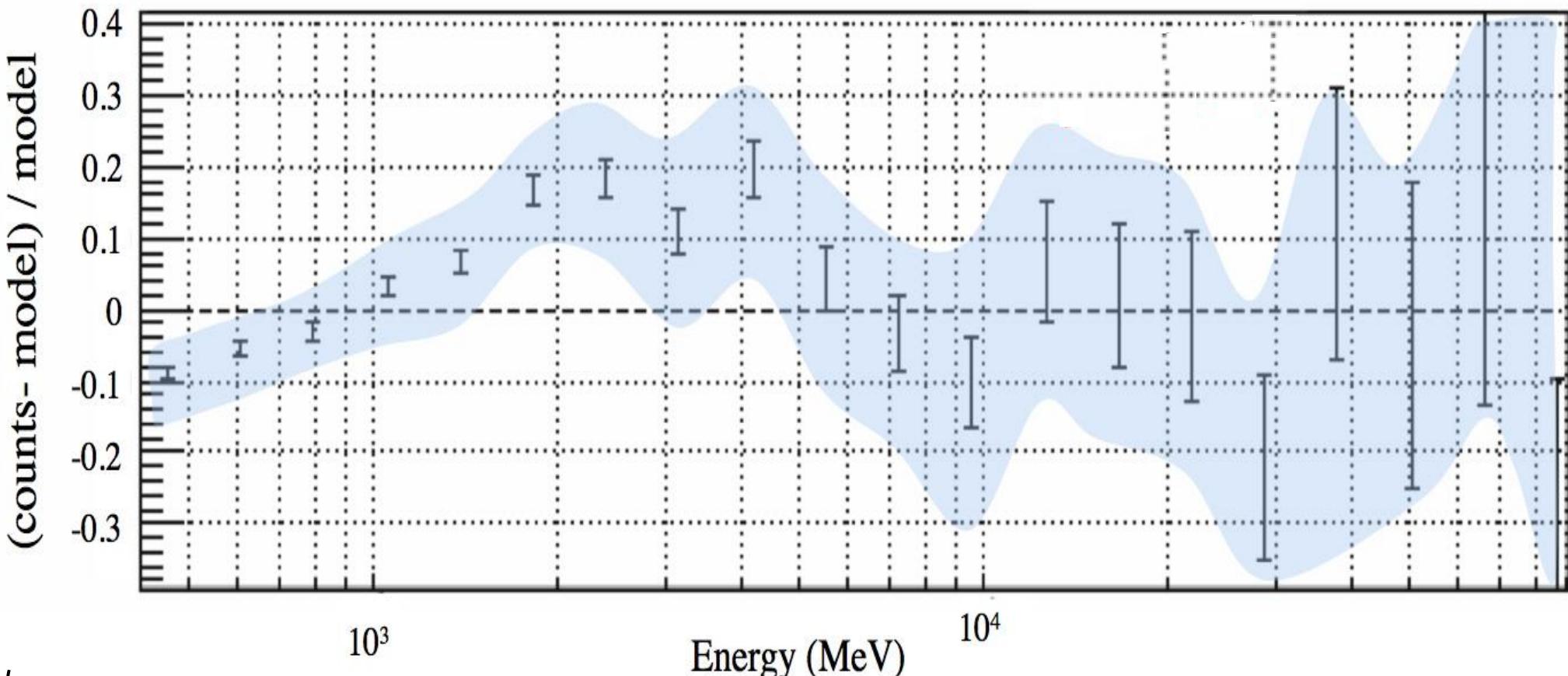
Dark Matter simulation:  
Pieri+(2009) arXiv:0908.0195

# Dark Matter Search: Targets and Strategies (Another way to see it)



# The GeV excess $7^\circ \times 7^\circ$ region centered on the Galactic Center 11 months of data, $E > 400$ MeV, front-converting events analyzed with binned likelihood analysis )

- The systematic uncertainty of the effective area (blue area) of the LAT is  $\sim 10\%$  at 100 MeV, decreasing to 5% at 560 MeV and increasing to 20% at 10 GeV



# the GALACTIC CENTER : any hints of Dark Matter?

the beginning of the history :

## The Galactic Center as a Dark Matter Gamma-Ray Source

A.Morselli, A. Lionetto, A. Cesarini, F. Fucito, P. Ullio, Nuclear Physics B 113B (2002) 213-220 [astro-ph/0211327]

A.Cesarini, F.Fucito, A.Lionetto, A.Morselli, P.Ullio Astroparticle Physics 21, 267-285, 2004 [astro-ph/0305075]

## Possible Evidence For Dark Matter Annihilation In The Inner Milky Way From The Fermi Gamma Ray Space Telescope

Lisa Goodenough, Dan Hooper arXiv:0910.2998

## Indirect Search for Dark Matter from the center of the Milky Way with the Fermi-Large Area Telescope

Vincenzo Vitale, Aldo Morselli, the Fermi/LAT Collaboration

Proceedings of the 2009 Fermi Symposium, 2-5 November 2009, eConf Proceedings C091122 arXiv:0912.3828 21 Dec 2009

## Search for Dark Matter with Fermi Large Area Telescope: the Galactic Center

V.Vitale, A.Morselli, the Fermi-LAT Collaboration NIM A 630 (2011) 147-150 (Available online 23 June 2010)

## Dark Matter Annihilation in The Galactic Center As Seen by the Fermi Gamma Ray Space Telescope

Dan Hooper, Lisa Goodenough. (21 March 2011). 21 pp. Phys.Lett. B697 (2011) 412-428

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## Background model systematics for the Fermi GeV excess

F.Calore, I. Cholis, C. Weniger JCAP03(2015)038 arXiv:1409.0042v1

## Fermi-LAT observations of high-energy $\gamma$ -ray emission toward the galactic centre

M. Ajello et al.[ Fermi-LAT Coll.] Apj 819:44 2016 arXiv:1511.02938

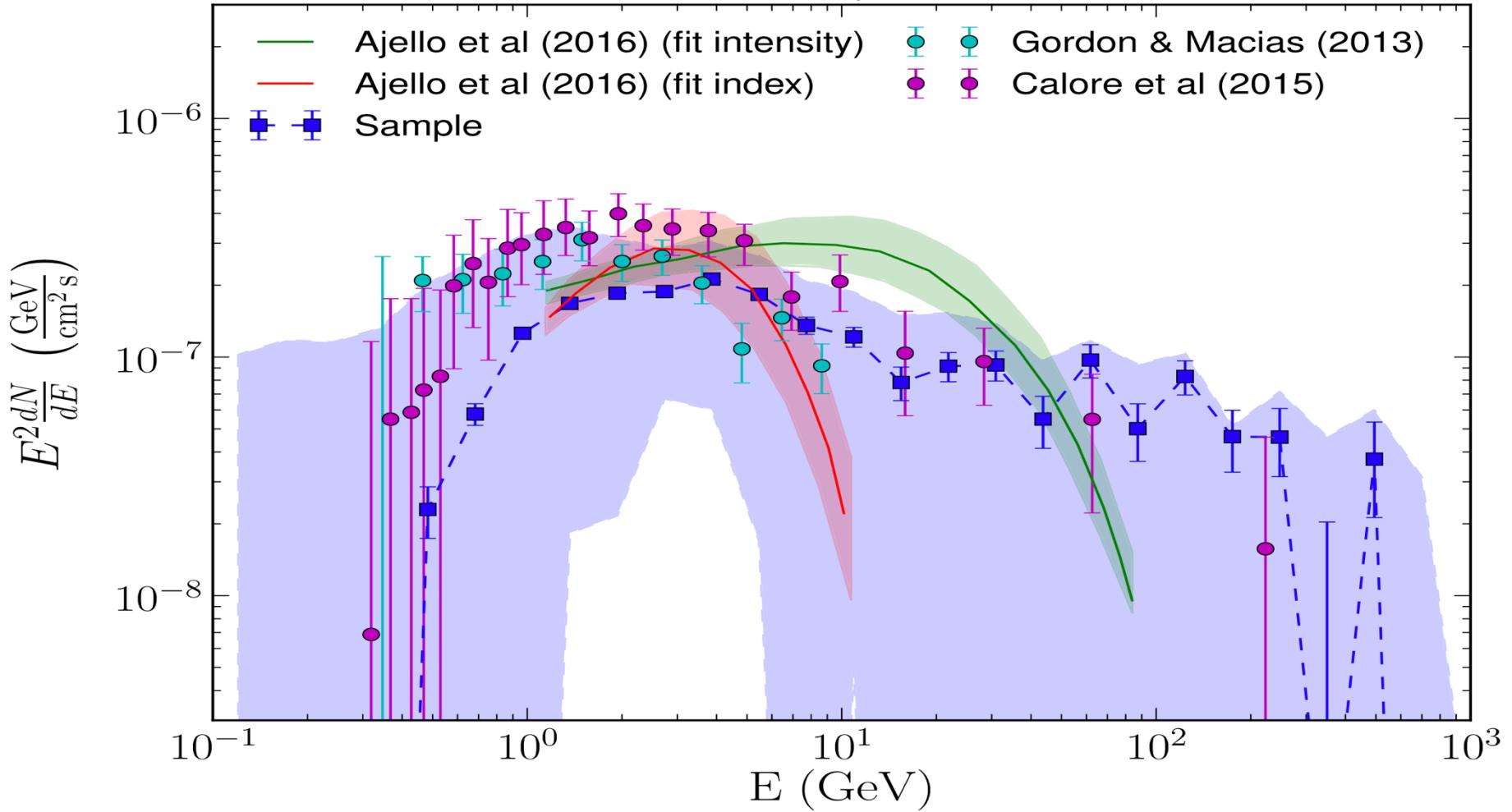
## The Fermi galactic center GeV excess and implications for dark matter

M. Ajello et al.[ Fermi-LAT Coll.] Apj 819:44 2016 arXiv:1511.02938

## Revisiting the Gamma-Ray Galactic Center Excess with Multi-Messenger Observations

IC, Zhong, McDermott, Surdutovich, PRD 105, 103023 (2022)

# The GeV excess (Pass8 analysis)



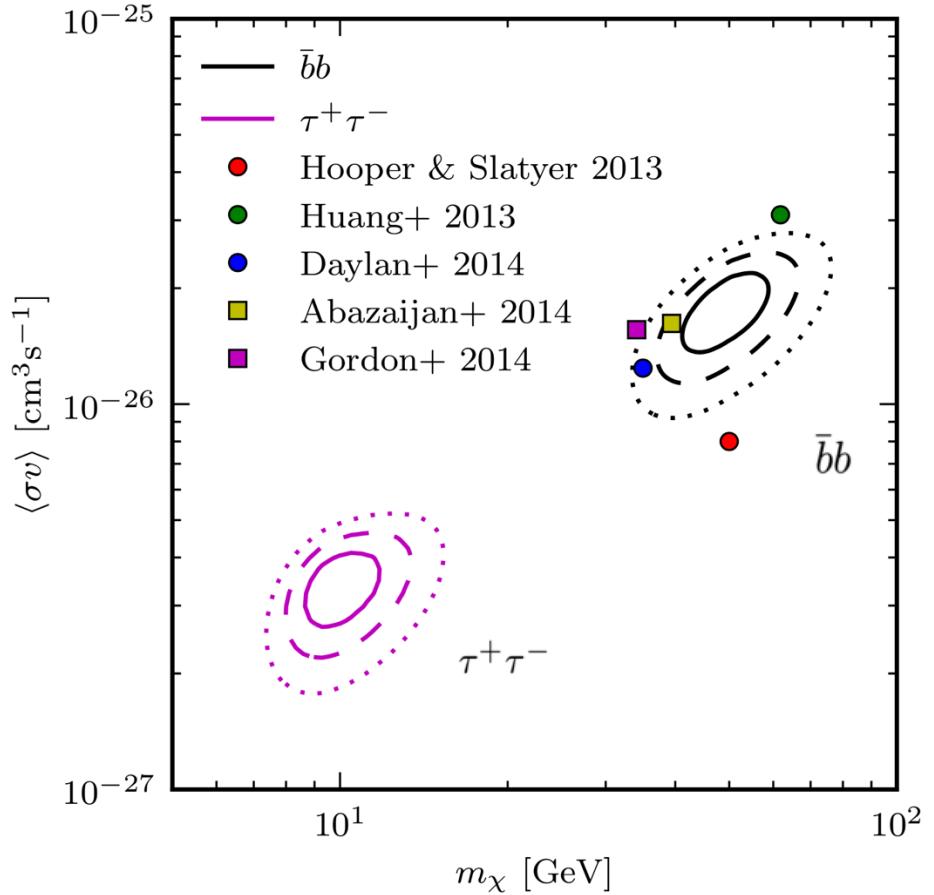
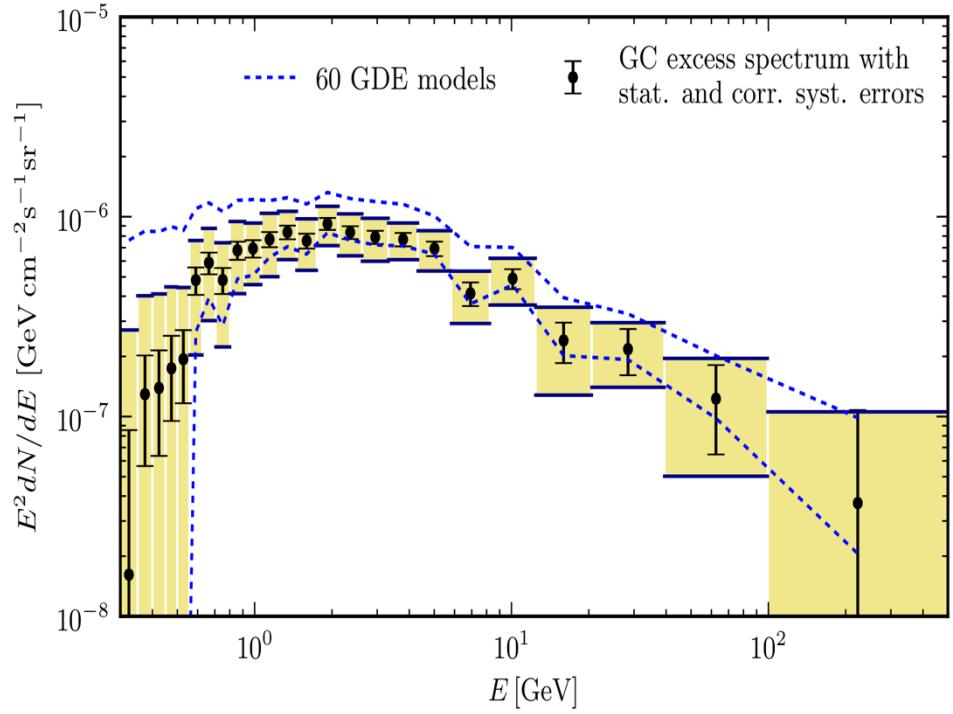
following uncertainties have relatively small effect on the excess spectrum

- Variation of GALPROP models
- Distribution of gas along the line of sight
- **Most significant sources of uncertainty are:**
- Fermi bubbles morphology at low latitude
- Sources of CR electrons near the GC



Fermi-LAT Collaboration Apj 840:43 2017 May 1 arXiv:1704.03910

# The GeV excess



A lot of activity outside the Fermi collaboration with claims of evidence for dark matter in the Galactic Center

Calore et al., arXiv:1409.0042

Cholis et al., Phys. Rev. D 105, 103023 (2022) arXiv:2112.09706

# The GeV excess : Other explanations exist

- past activity of the Galactic center

(e.g. Petrovic et al., arXiv:1405.7928, Carlson & Profumo arXiv:1405.7685)

- Series of Leptonic Cosmic-Ray Outbursts

Cholis et al. arXiv:1506.05119

- Stellar population of the X-bulge and the nuclear bulge

Macias et al. arXiv:1611.06644

- Population of pulsars in the Galactic bulge

e.g. , Yuan and Zhang arXiv:1404.2318v1, Lee et al. arXiv:1506.05124, Bartels et.al. 1506.05104

M.Ajello et al. [Fermi-LAT Coll.] Phys. Rev. D 95, 082007 (2017) [arXiv:1704.07195]

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- Robustness of the Galactic Center Excess

leading explanations being annihilating dark matter or an unresolved population of millisecond pulsars Zhong & Cholis arXiv:2401.02481

*see also the talk of Deheng Song*

## How to discriminate between different hypothesis ?

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## eROSITA

Modeling of the Fermi bubbles

Look for correlated features near the Galactic center

## HESS, MAGIC, CTA

Fermi bubbles near the GC are much brighter

Possible to see with Cherenkov telescopes?

## Radio observations, MeerKAT, SKA

Search for individual pulsars in the halo around the GC

## Radio surveys, Planck

Look for correlated synchrotron emission near the GC

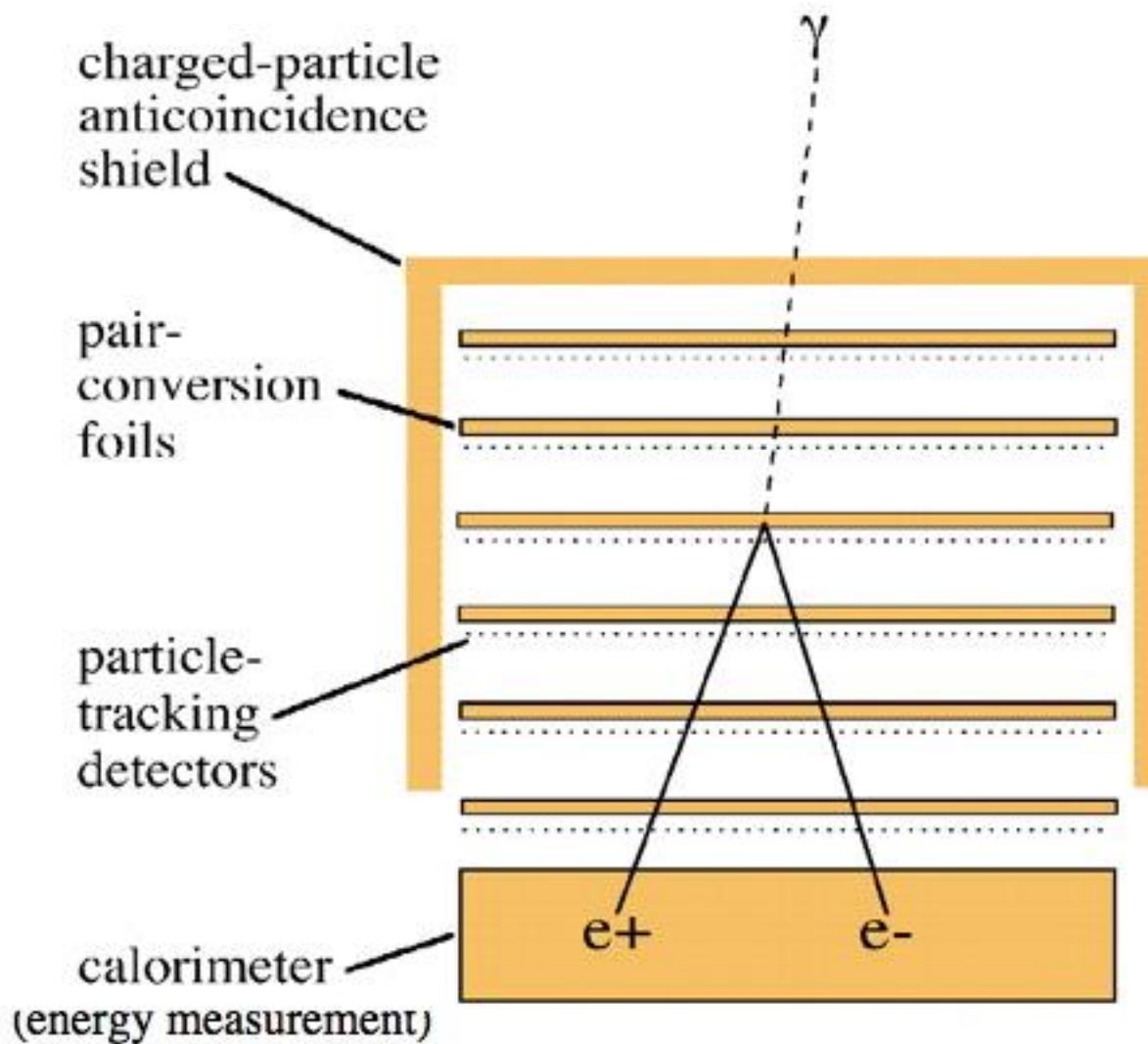
## More Fermi LAT analysis

Diffuse emission modeling

Analysis of point sources near the GC

But ultimately We need a new experiment with better angular resolution below 100 MeV

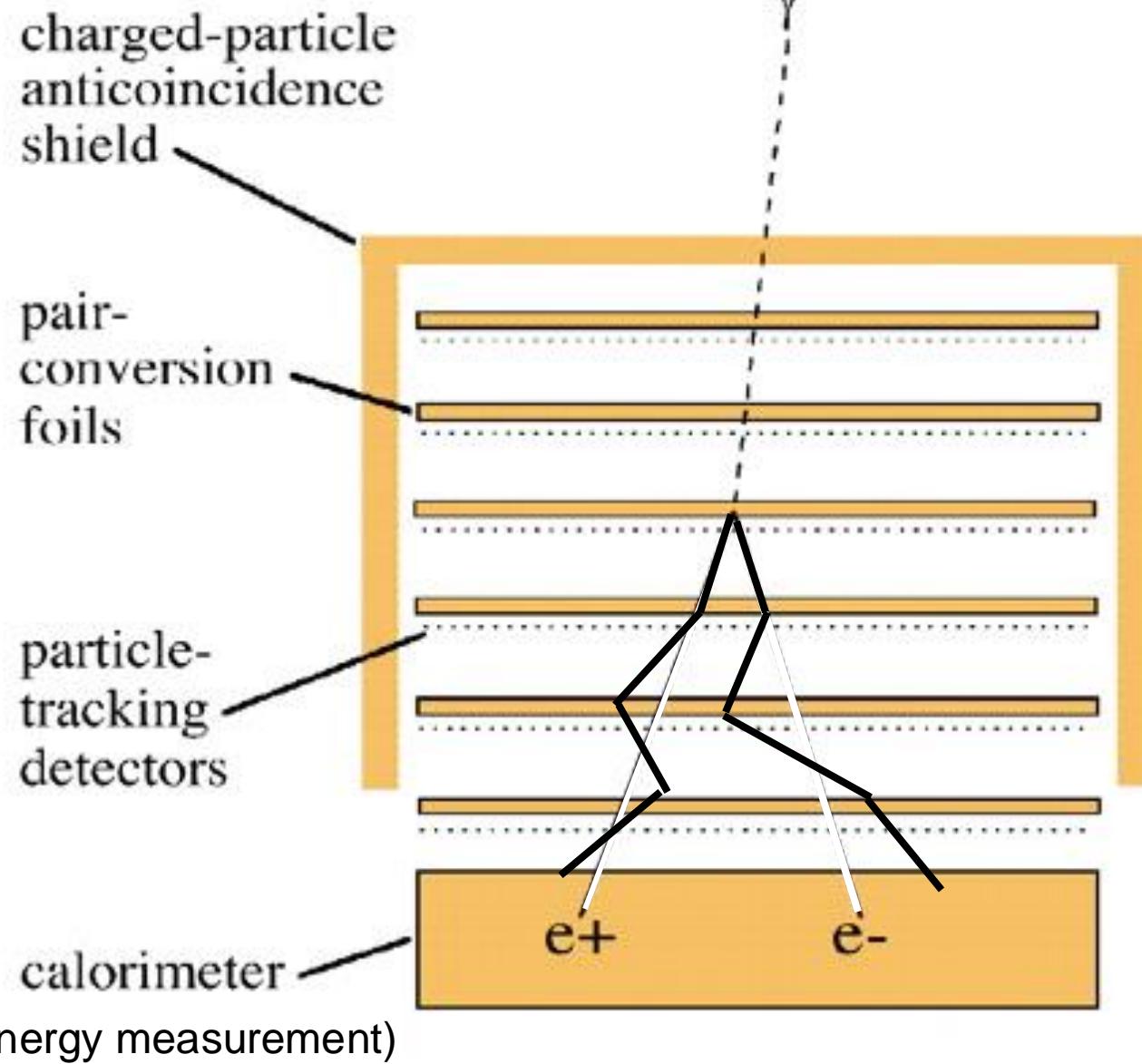
# Elements of a pair-conversion telescope



- photons materialize into matter-antimatter pairs:  
 $E_\gamma \rightarrow m_{e^+}c^2 + m_{e^-}c^2$
- electron and positron carry information about the direction, energy and polarization of the  $\gamma$ -ray

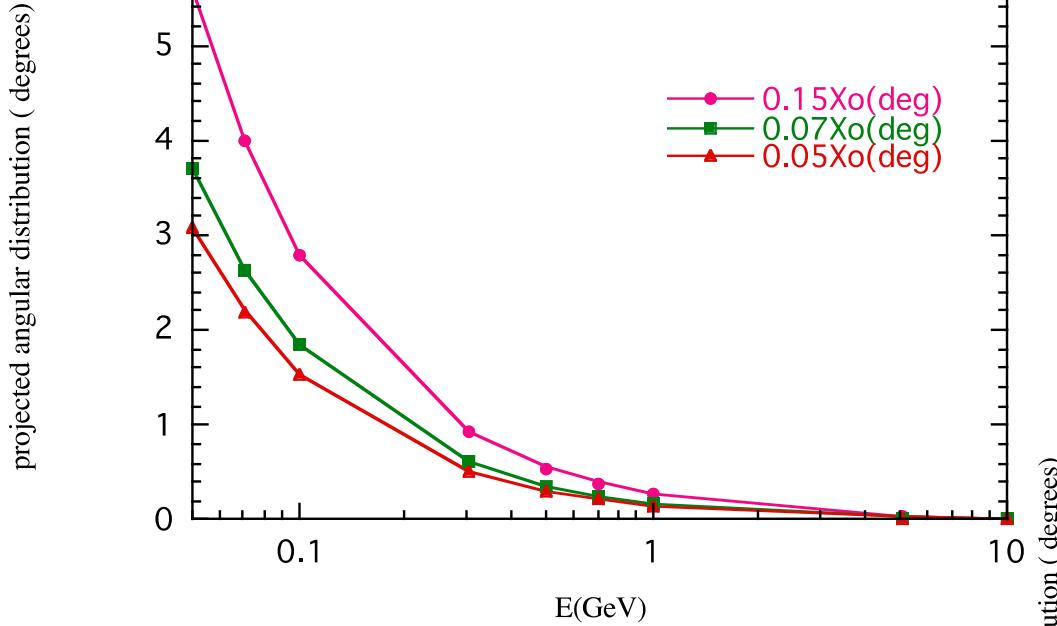
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(more realistic scheme)



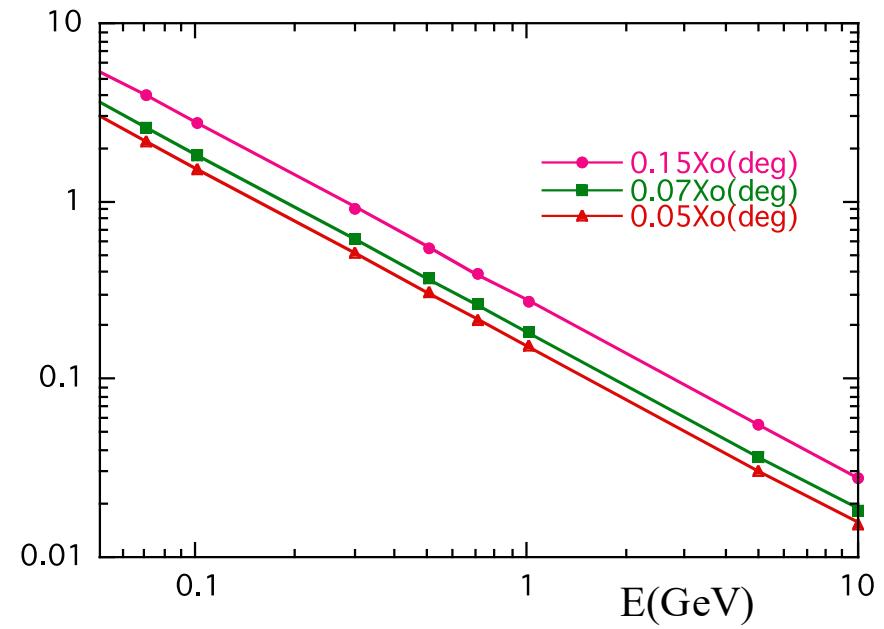
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# Multiple Scattering

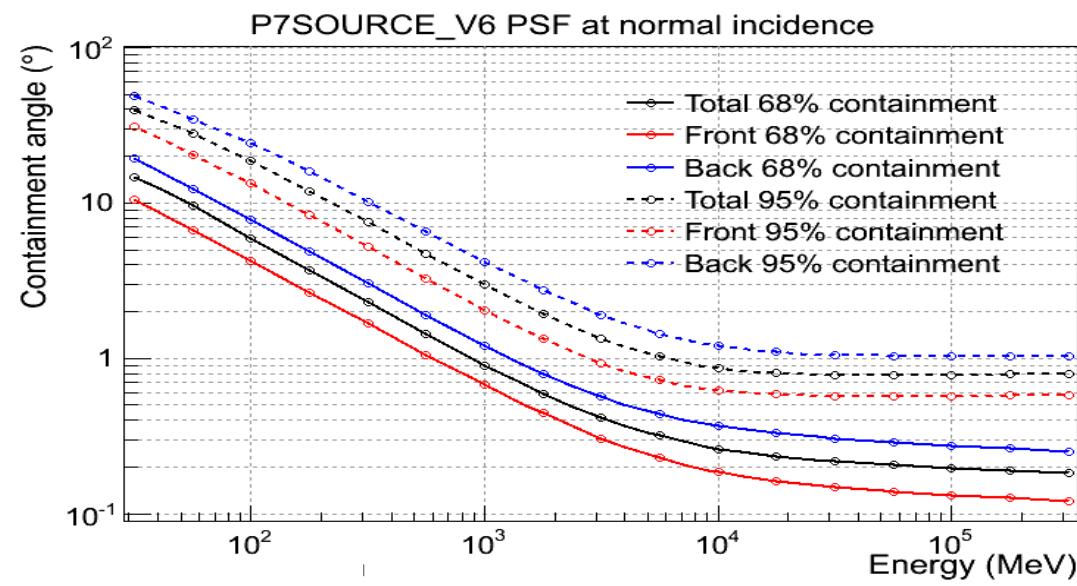
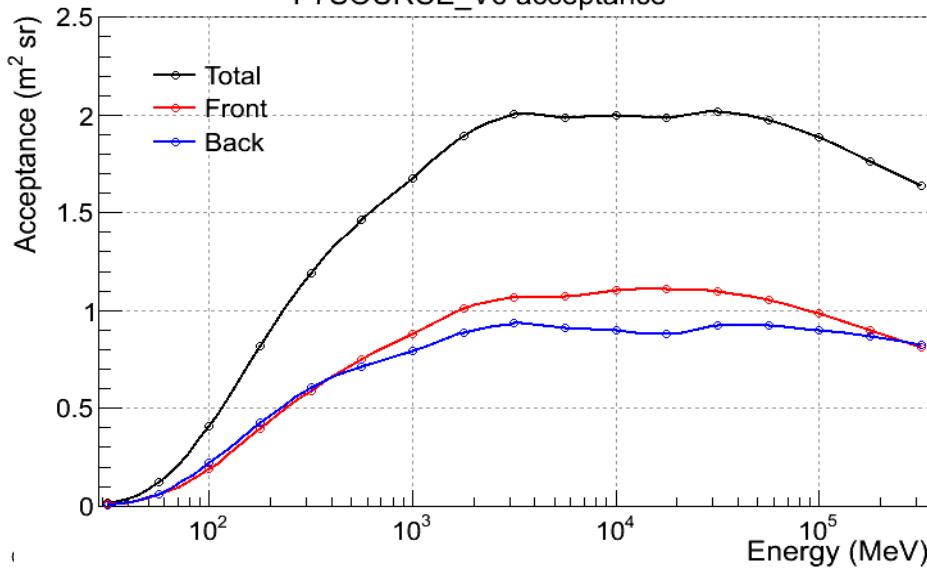
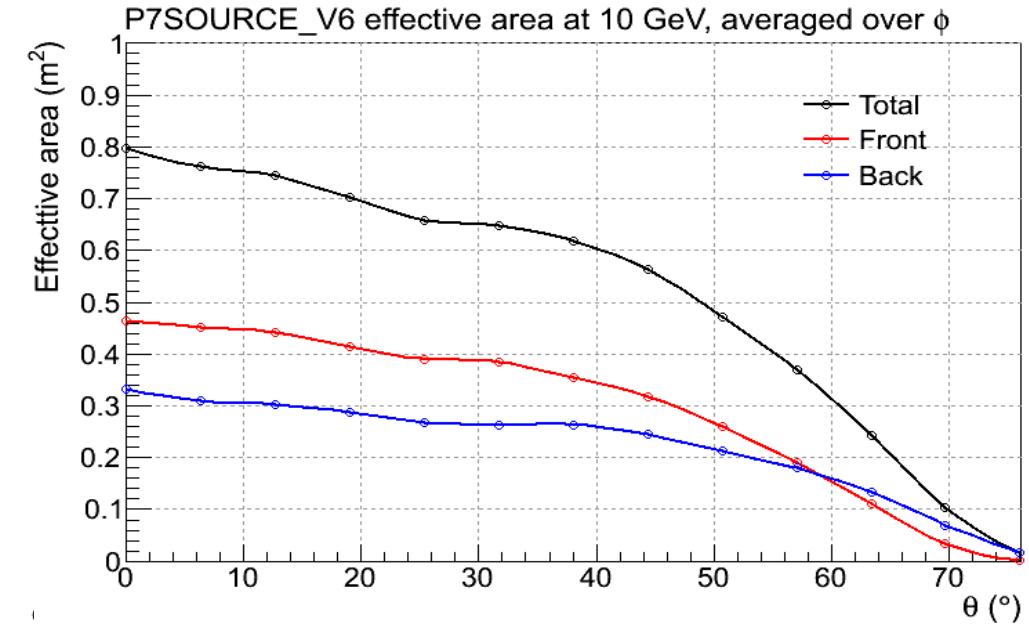
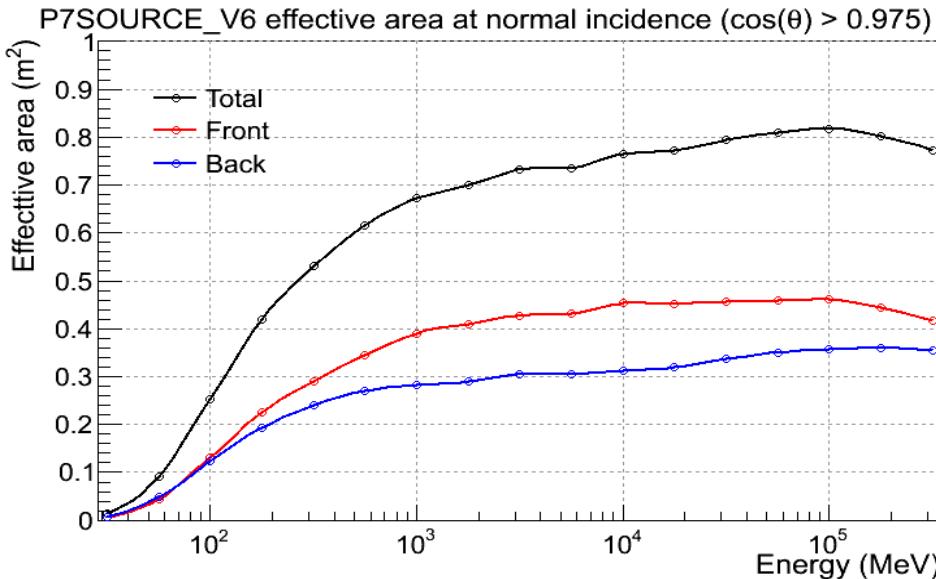


$$\theta_0 = \theta_{plane}^{rms} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \theta_{space}^{rms}$$

$$\theta_0 = \frac{13.6 MeV}{\beta cp} z \sqrt{x/X_0} [1 + 0.038 \ln(x/X_0)]$$



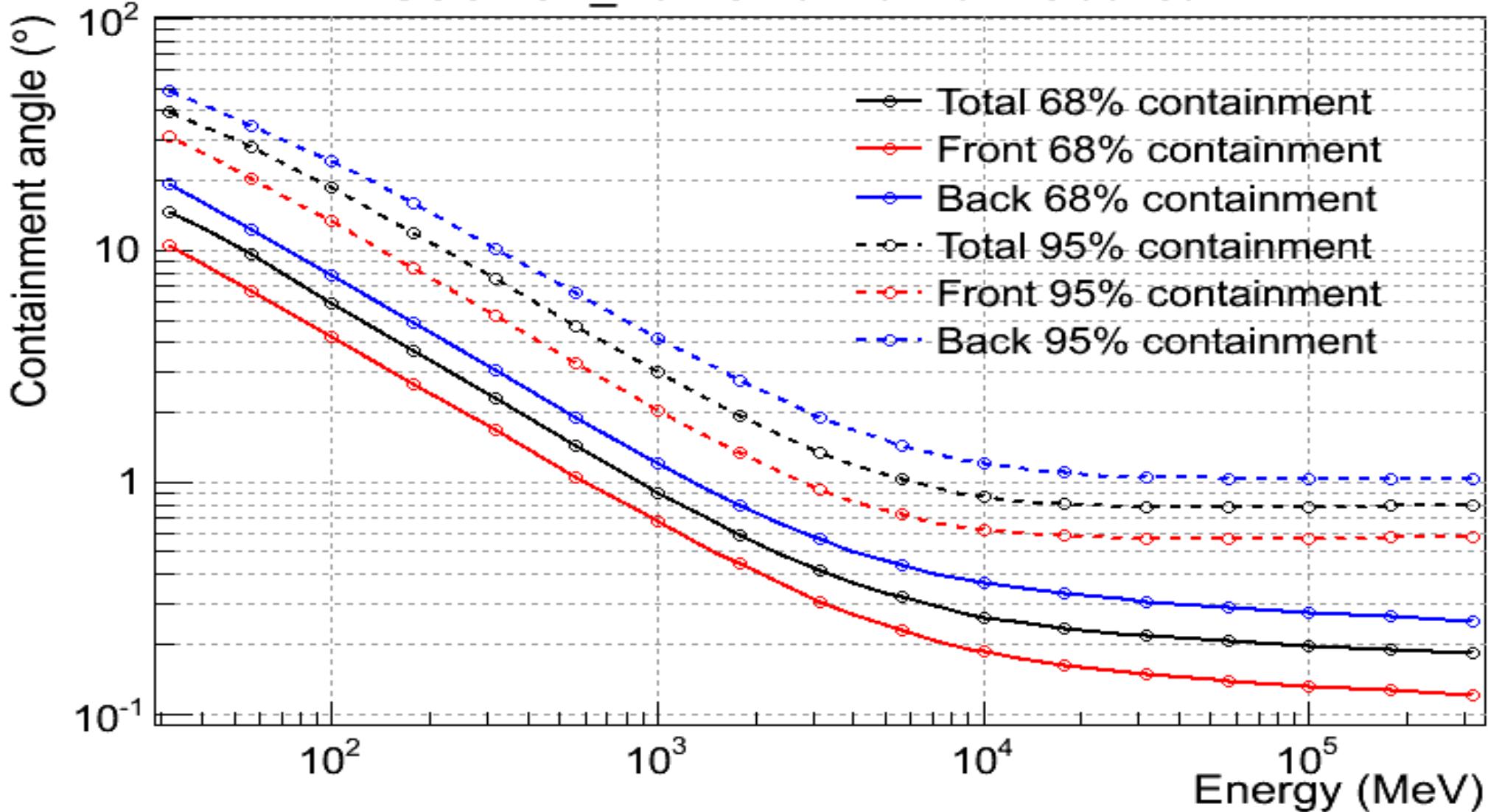
# Fermi Instrument Response Function



[http://www.slac.stanford.edu/exp/glast/groups/canda/lat\\_Performance.htm](http://www.slac.stanford.edu/exp/glast/groups/canda/lat_Performance.htm)

# Fermi Instrument Response Function

P7SOURCE\_V6 PSF at normal incidence

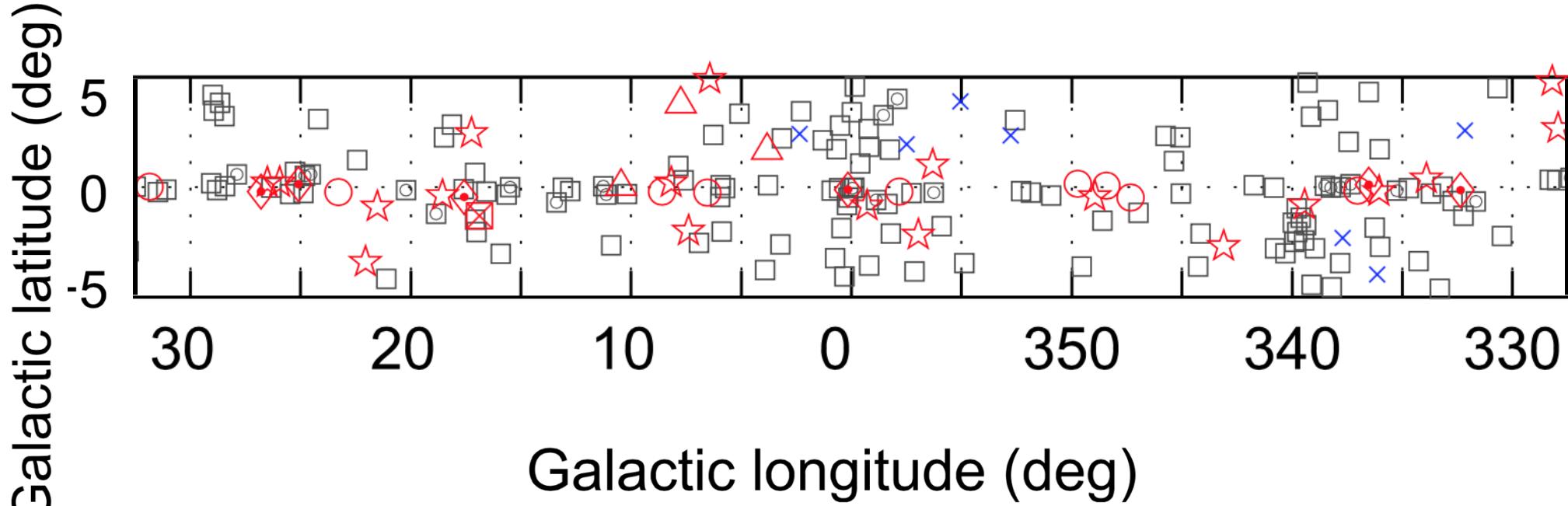


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# The Fermi LAT 3FGL Inner Galactic Region

August 4, 2008, to July 31, 2010

100 MeV to 300 GeV energy range

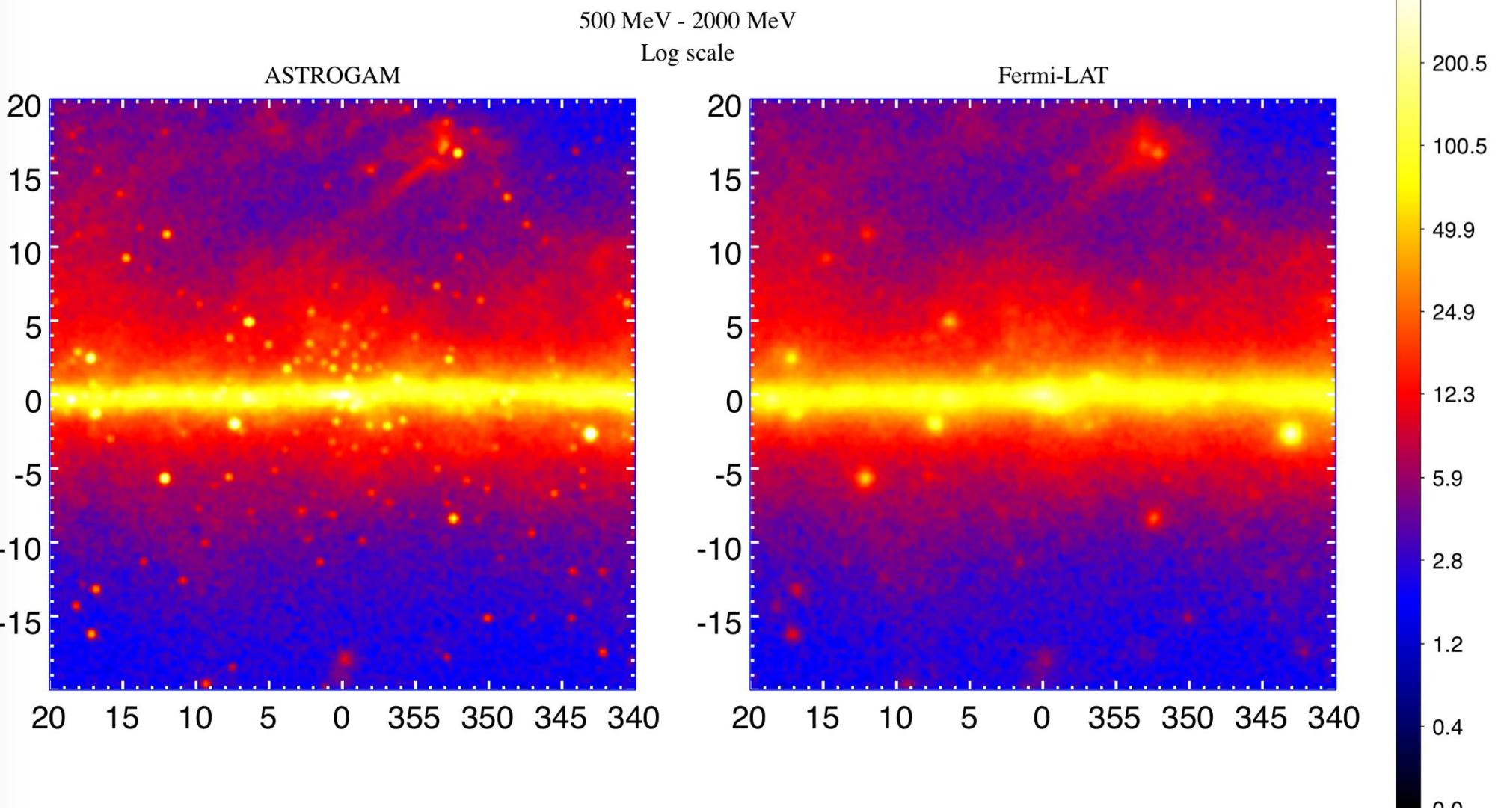


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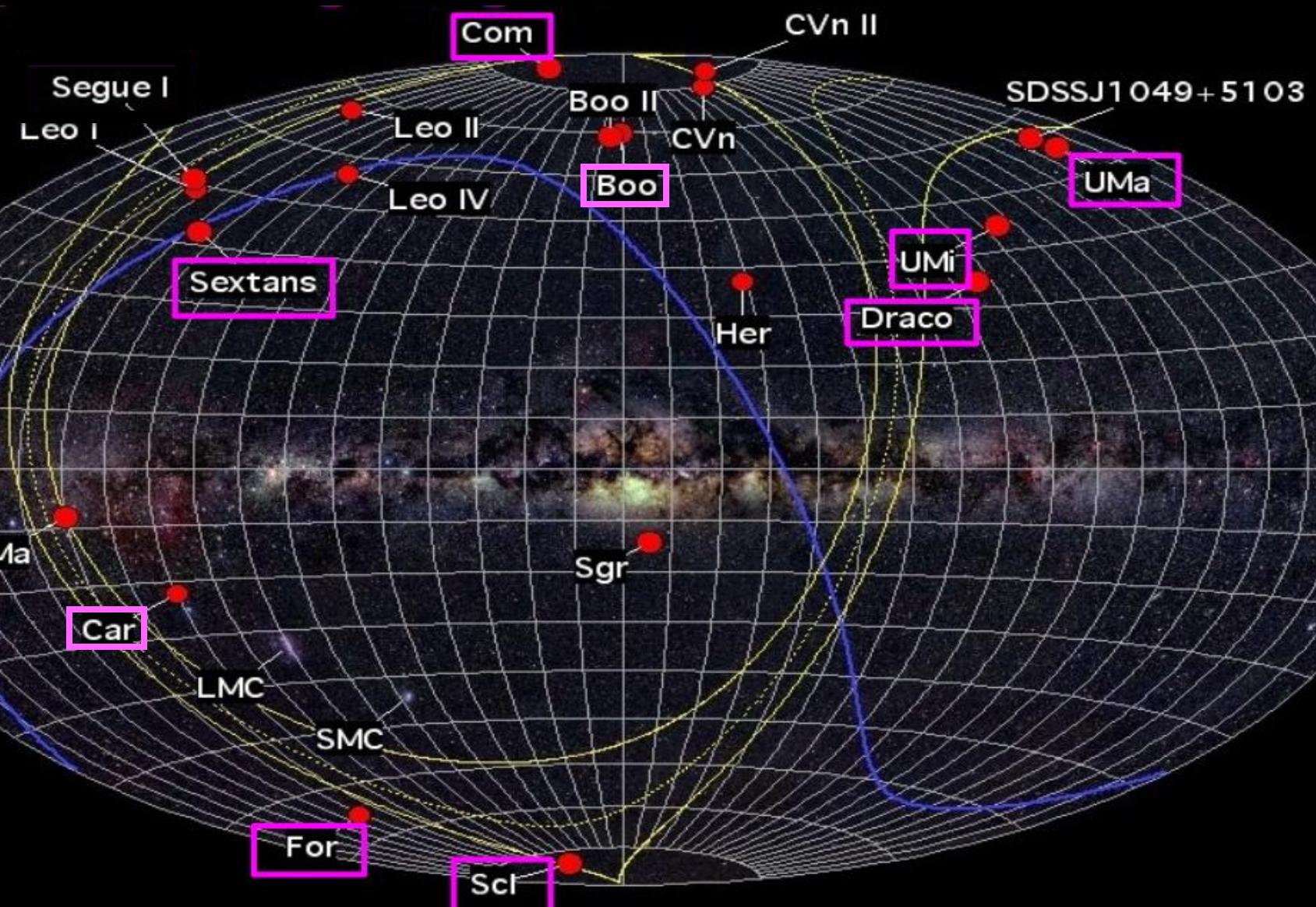
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★ Star-forming region			

# Galactic Center Region 0.5-2 GeV

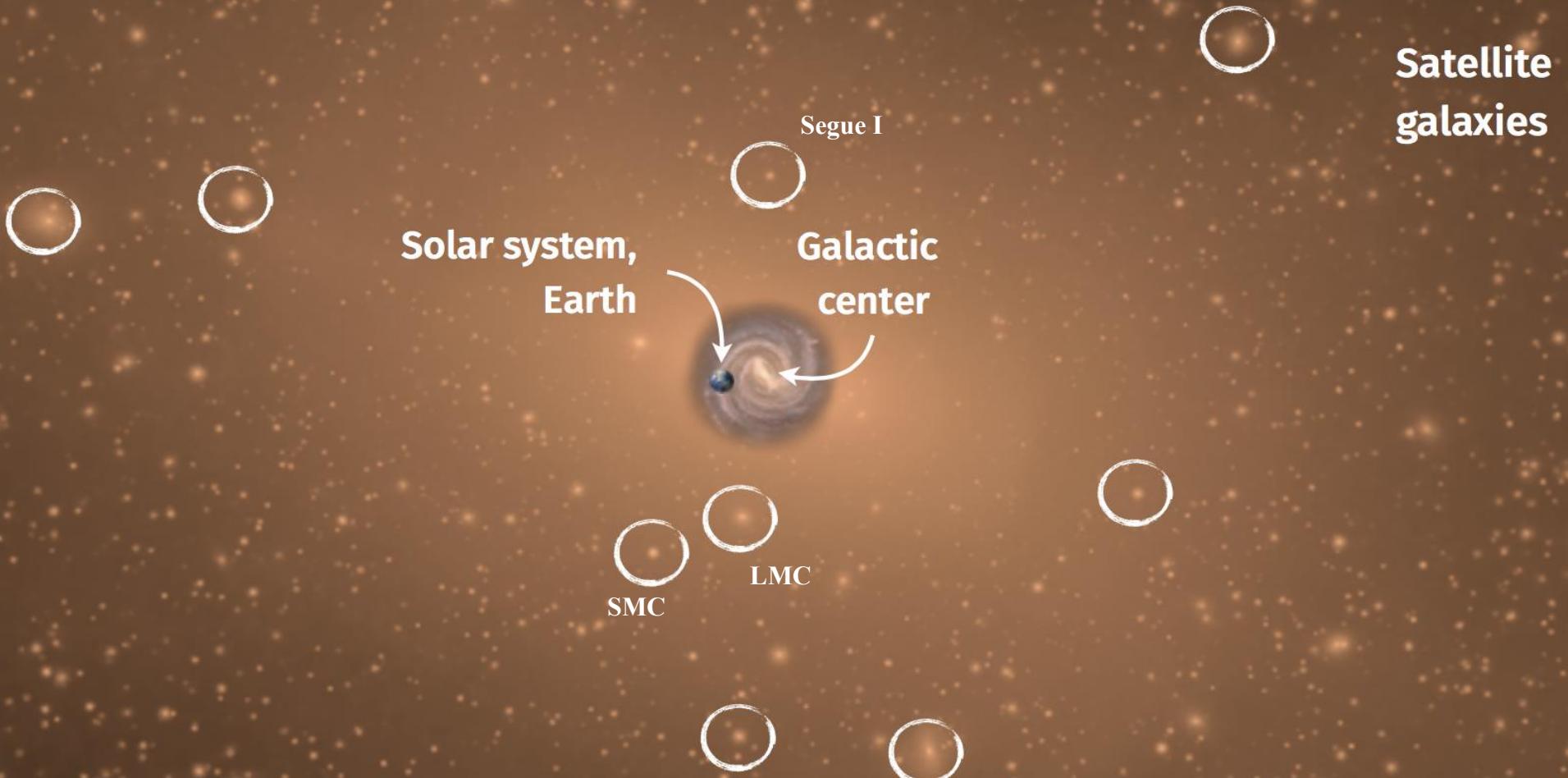
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# Classical Dwarf spheroidal galaxies: promising targets for DM detection



# Dark Matter in the Milky Way (from simulations)

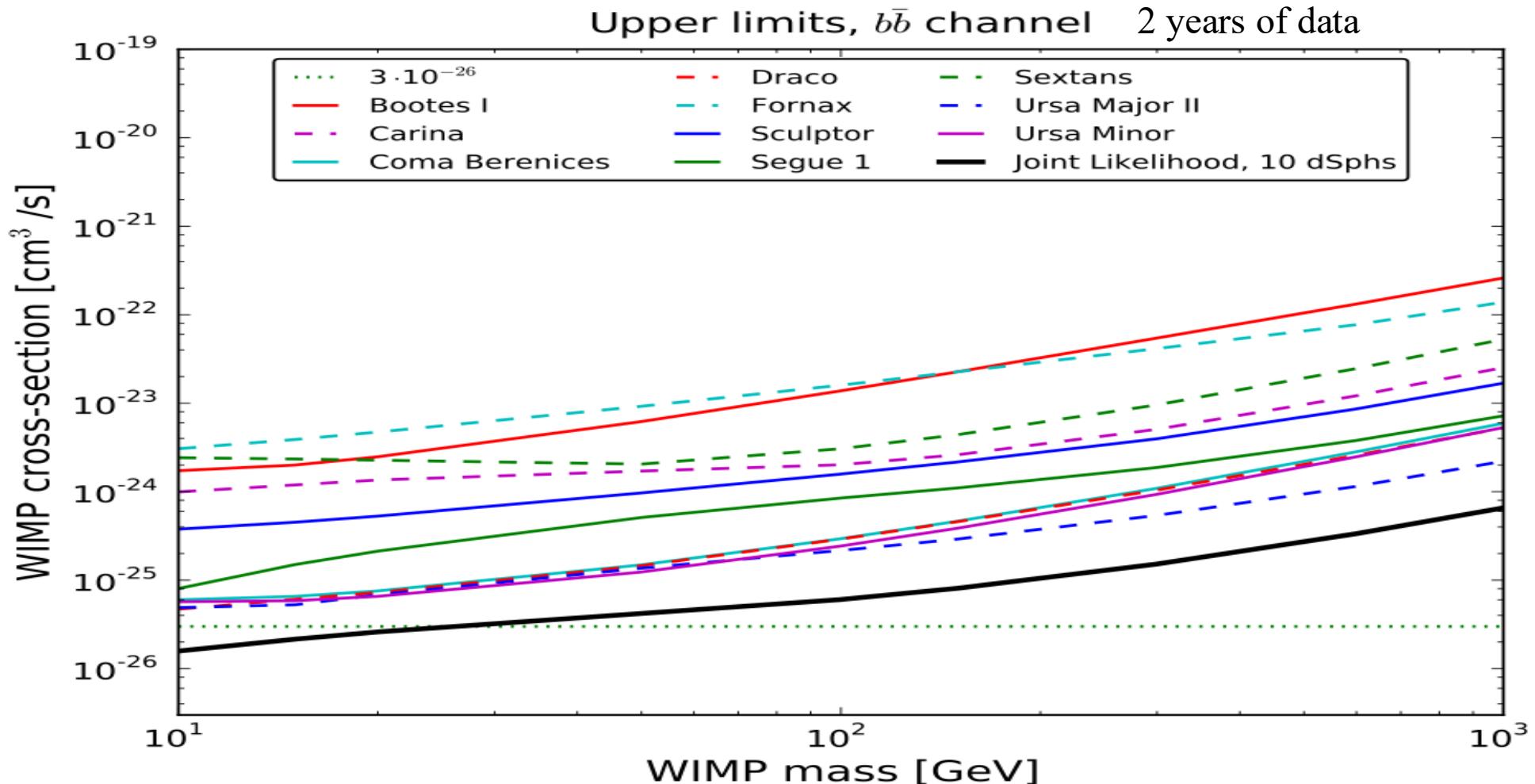


40 kpc

Projected DM square density (constrained) simulations

Springel et al. (Nature, 2005)

# Dwarf Spheroidal Galaxies combined analysis



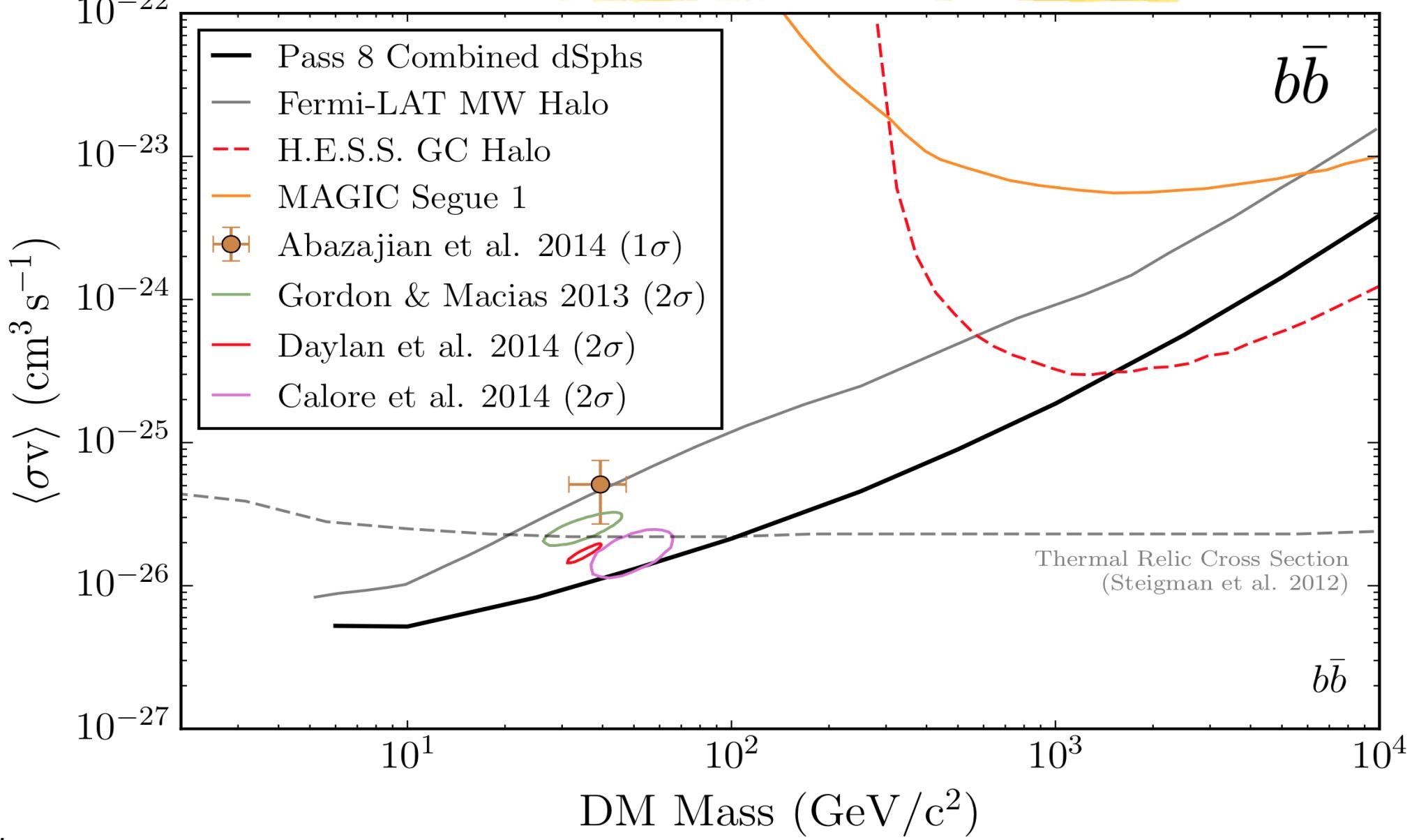
robust constraints including J-factor uncertainties from the stellar data statistical analysis

NFW. For cored dark matter profile, the J-factors for most of the dSphs would either increase or not change much



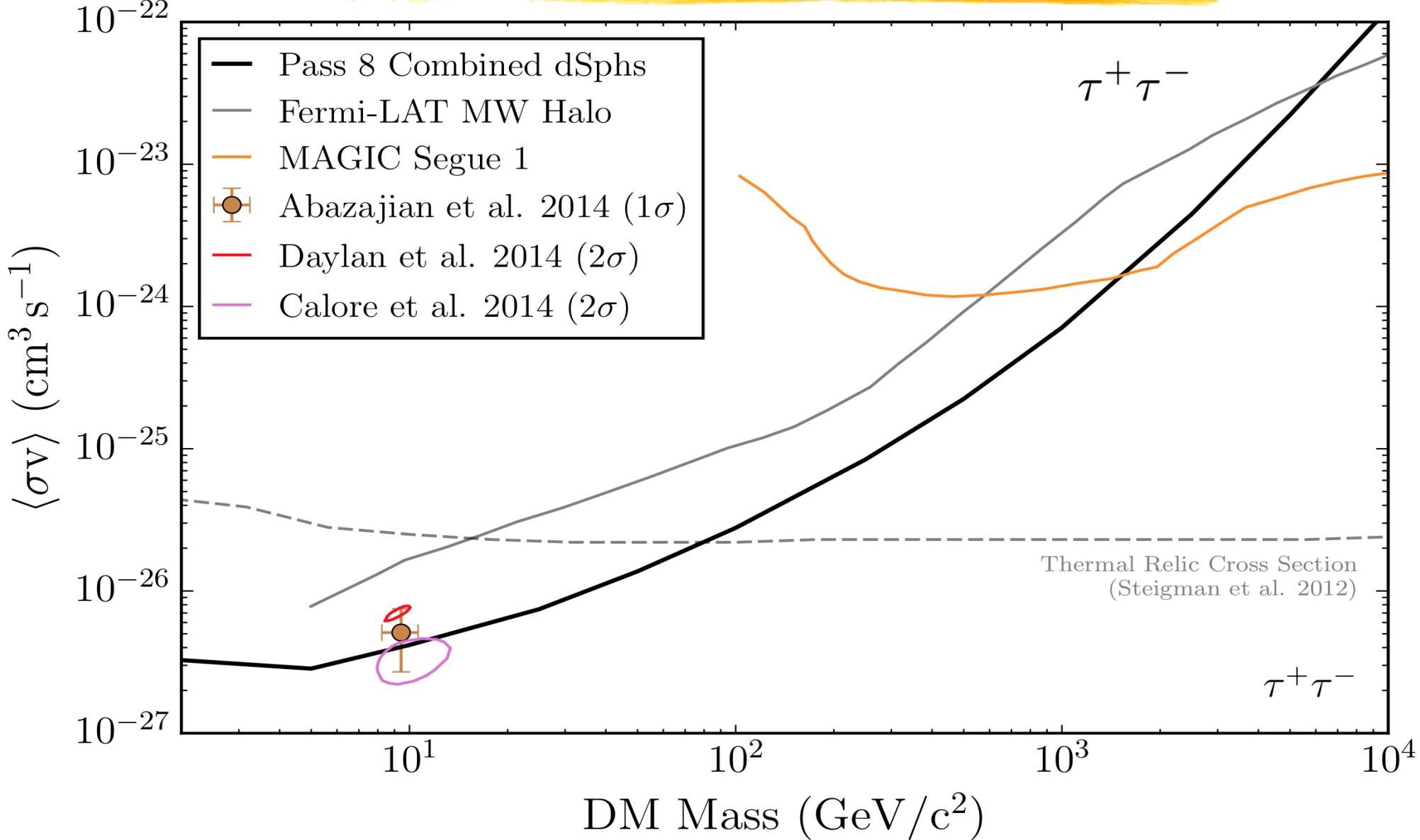
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# Dwarf Spheroidal Galaxies upper-limits (6 years)



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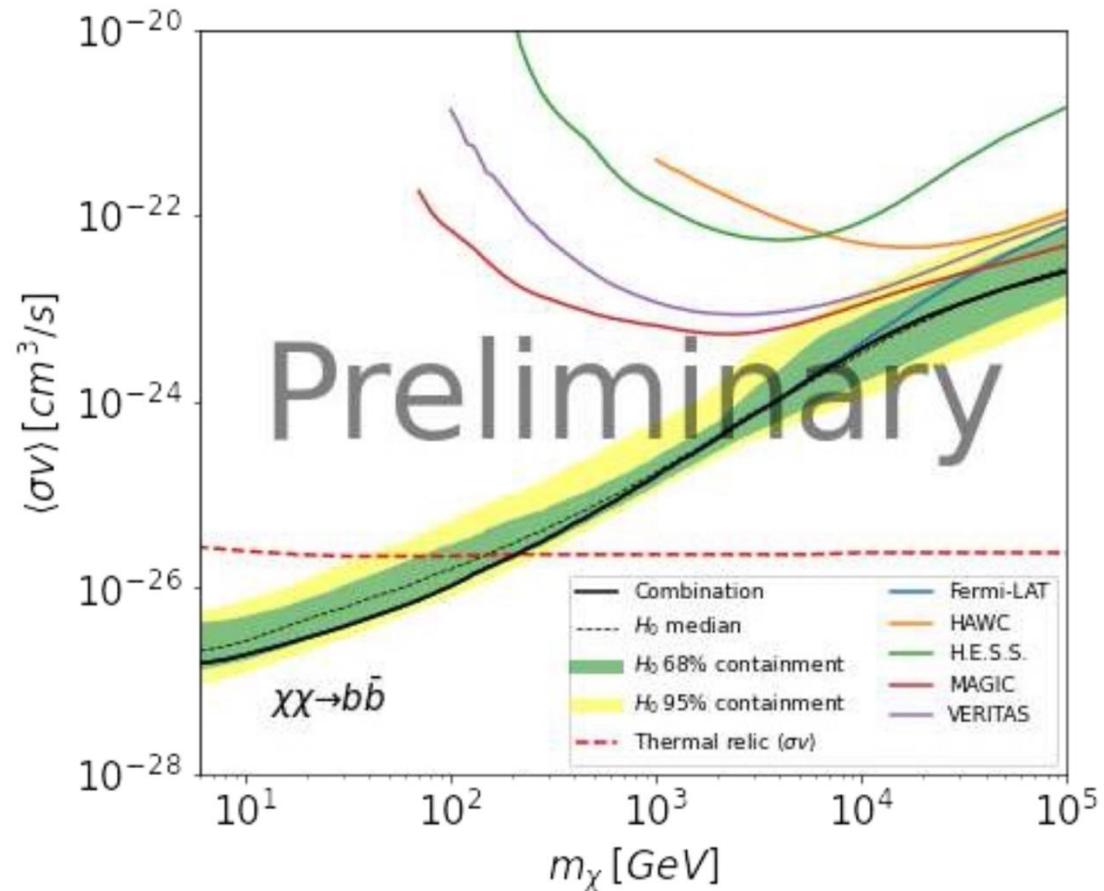


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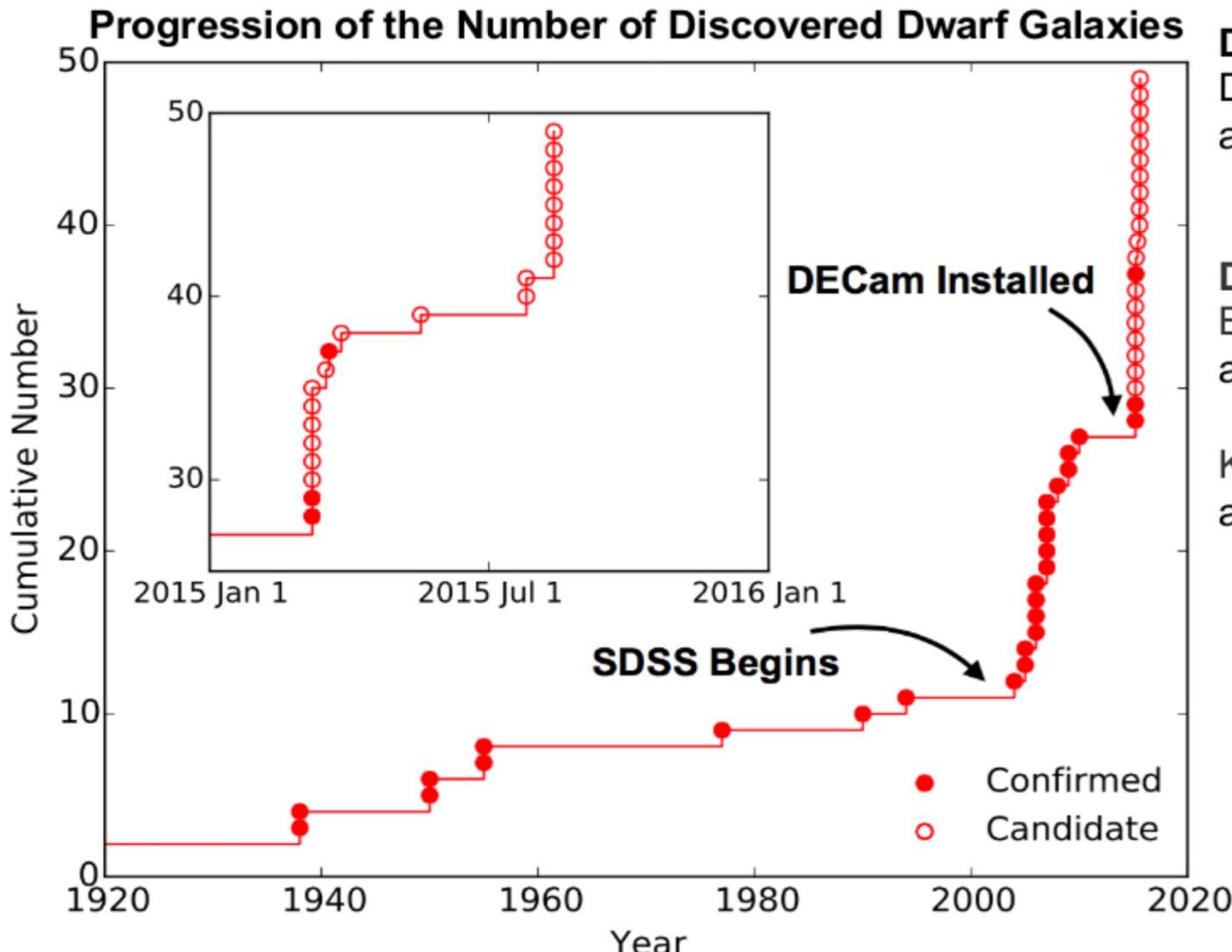
# Combining all dSph observations



- Combination of the observation results towards 20 dwarf spheroidal galaxies (dSphs)
  - Significant increase of the statistics
  - > Increase the sensitivity to potential dark matter signals
  - Cover the widest energy range ever investigated : 20 MeV – 80 TeV
- Common elements :
  - Agreed model parameters
  - Sharable likelihood table formats
  - Joint likelihood test statistic



# Dwarf Spheroidal Galaxies: Growing number of known targets



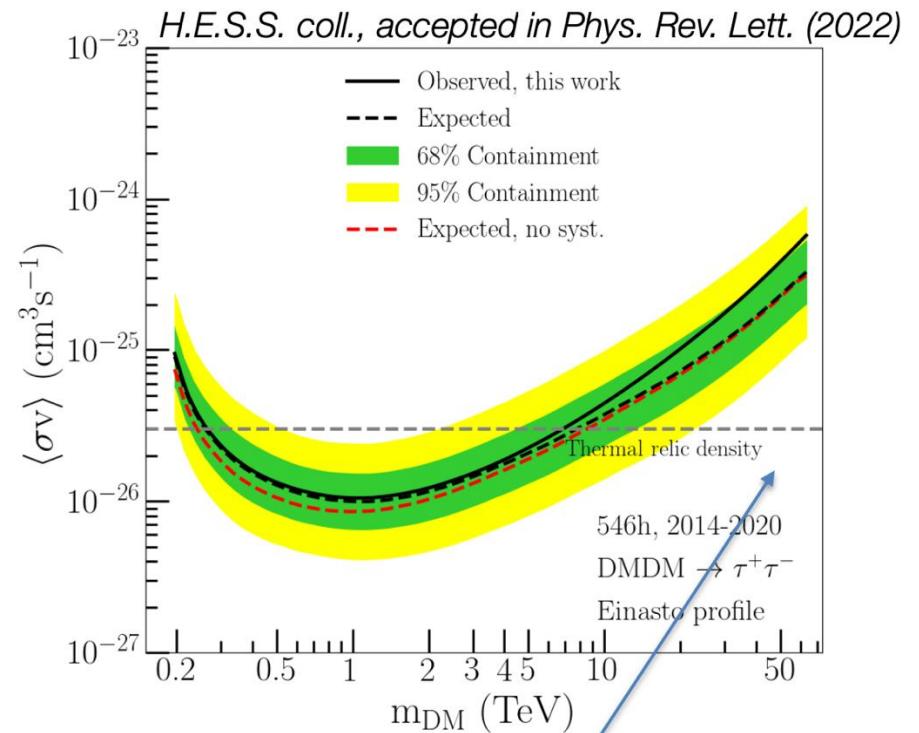
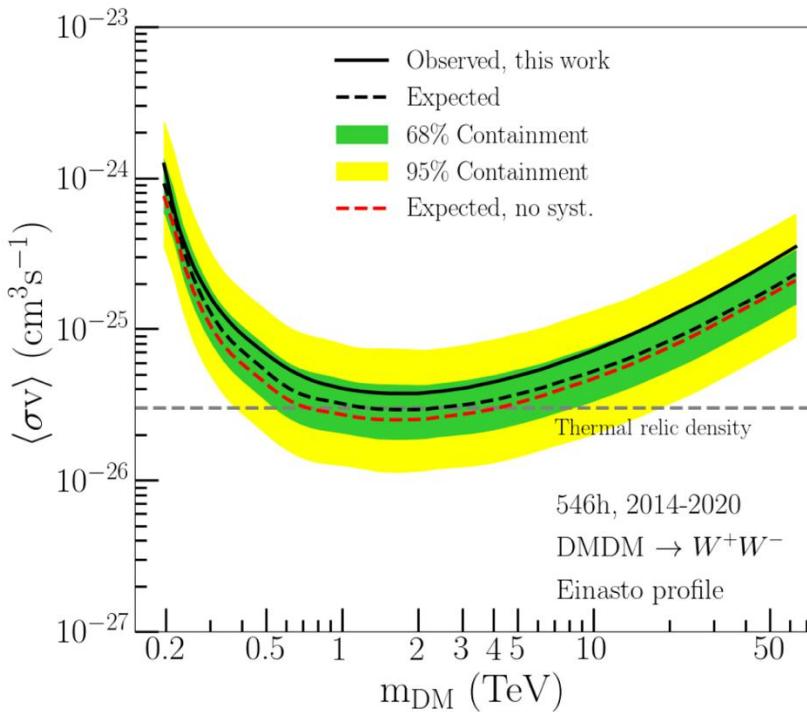
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Drlica-Wagner+,  
arXiv:1508.03622

**DES Year 1 Data:**  
Bechtol+:  
arXiv:1503.02584

Koposov+:  
arXiv:1503.02079

# Galactic center with H.E.S.S.

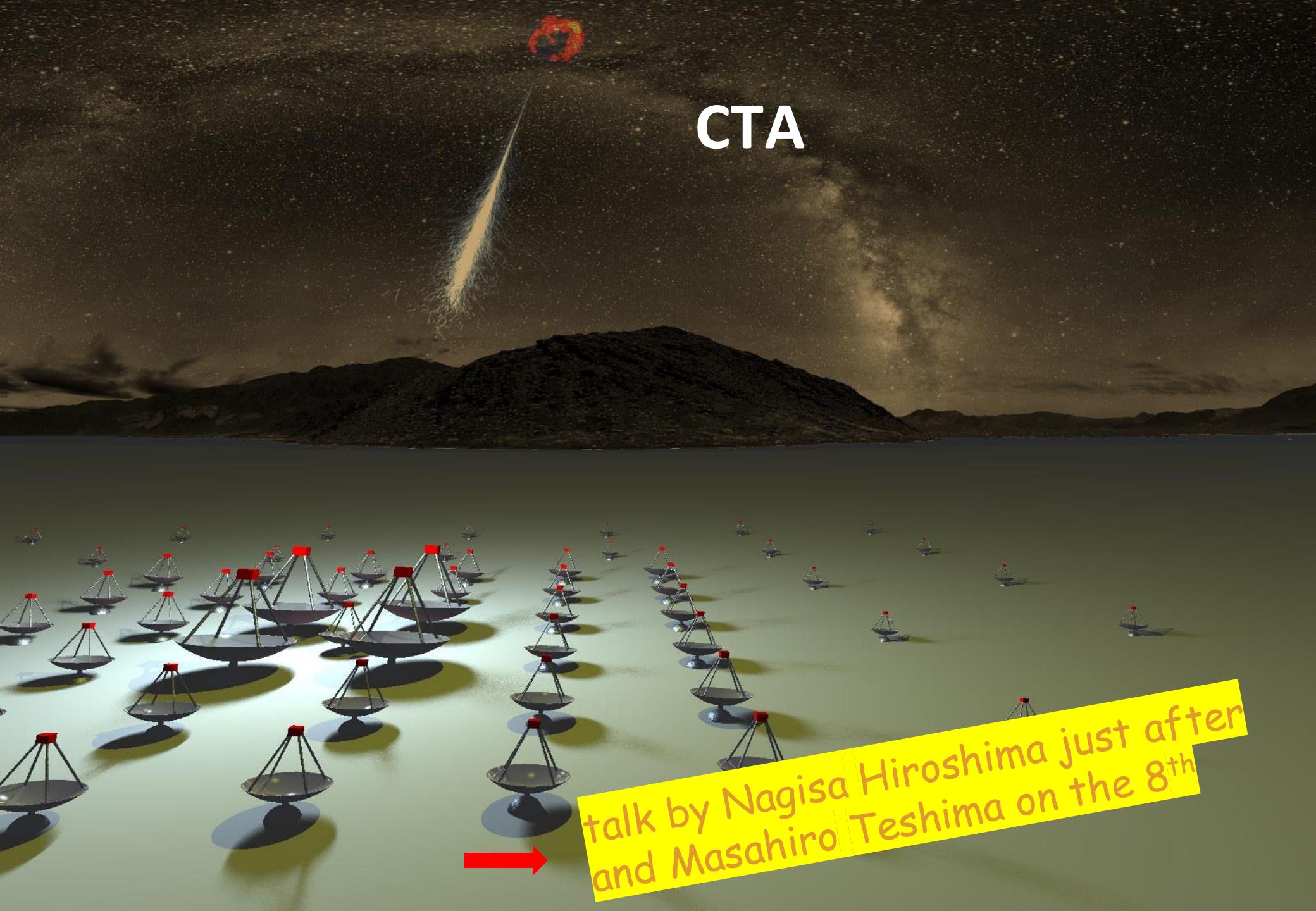
- No significant DM signal found in any ROI  
→ 95% C.L. upper limits on  $\langle\sigma v\rangle$



- Systematic uncertainty included in the limit computation

*Thermal cross-section expected for vanilla (s-wave) annihilating WIMPs that account for 100% of DM*

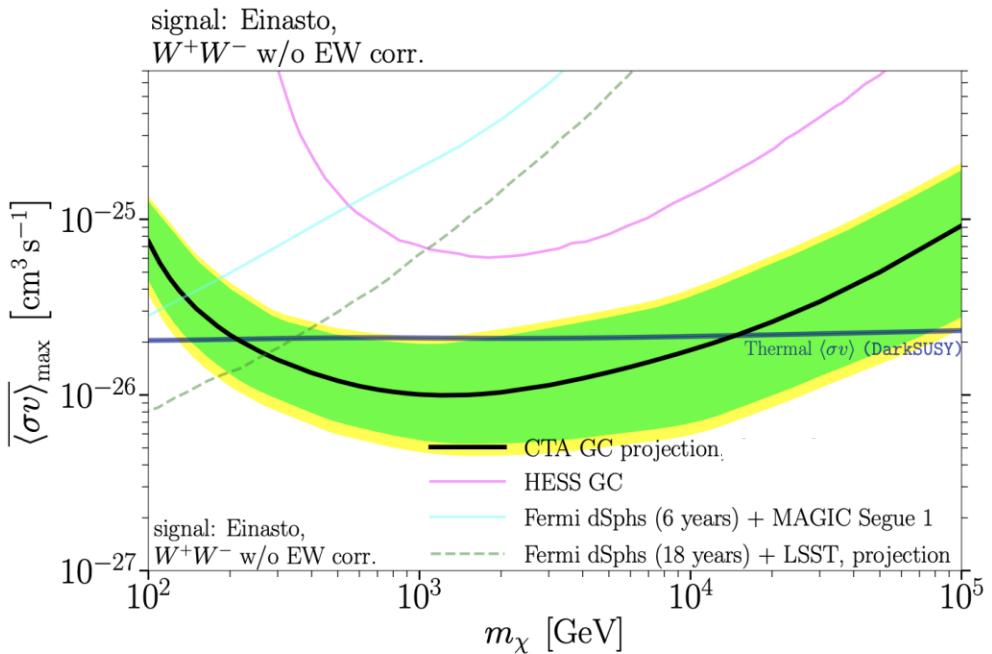
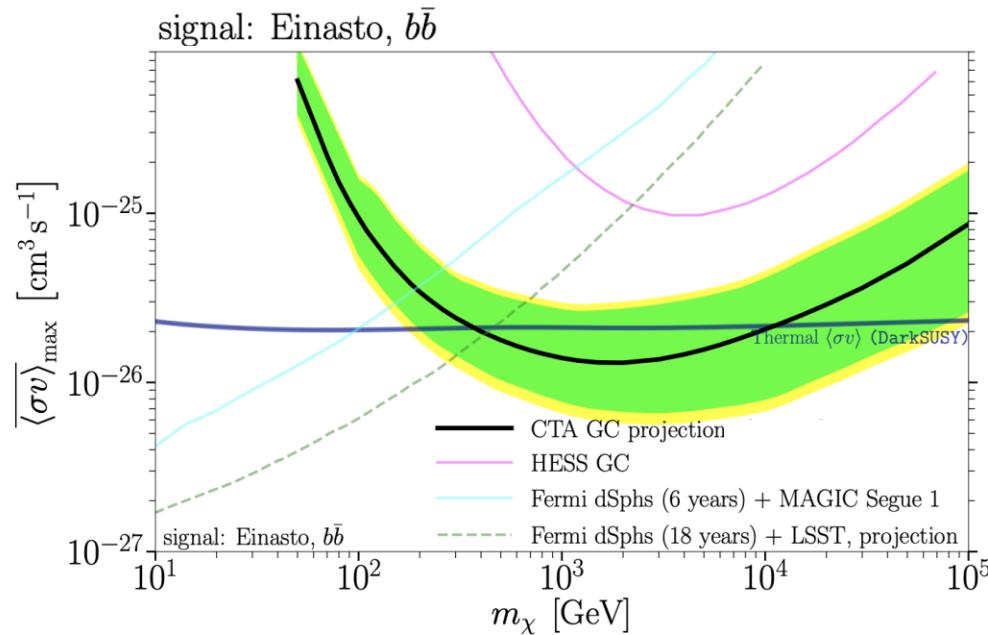




# CTA

talk by Nagisa Hiroshima just after  
and Masahiro Teshima on the 8<sup>th</sup>

# Galactic center CTA Sensitivity



- **Einasto profile**

$$\rho_{\text{DM}} = \rho_s \exp \left[ -\frac{\alpha}{2} \left( \frac{r}{r_s} \right)^\alpha - 1 \right], \quad J \sim 7.1 \times 10^{22} \text{ GeV}^2/\text{cm}^5$$

520 h

- Main source of background : sources, Fermi Bubble, interstellar  $\gamma$ , residual CR



The CTA Consortium JCAP01(2021) 057 January 27, 2021 [arXiv:2007.16129]

# Measuring DM densities in dSph halos

Optimal dSphs selected according to:

1. Distance( $d < 100\text{pc}$ )
2. Culmination zenith angle ( $Z\text{Amin} < 30^\circ$ )

Targets with no/poor brightness and/or kinematic data excluded from the MCMC Jeans analysis.

Surviving sample:

- 6 Northern dSphs (1 classical + 5 ultra-faint)
- 6 Southern dSphs (3 classical + 3 ultra-faint)

Name	Abbr.	Type	R.A. (hh mm ss)	dec. (dd mm ss)	Distance (kpc)	$Z\text{A}_{\text{culm N}}$ (deg)	$Z\text{A}_{\text{culm S}}$ (deg)	Month
Andromeda XVIII	AndXVIII	uft	00 02 14.5	+45 05 20	$1330 \pm 104$	16.3	69.7	Sep
Aquarius	Aqr	uft	20 46 51.8	-12 50 53	$1030 \pm 57$	41.6	11.8	Aug
Boötes I	BoöI	uft	14 00 06.0	+14 30 00	$65 \pm 3$	14.3	39.1	Apr
Boötes II	BoöII	uft	13 58 00.0	+12 51 00	$39 \pm 2$	15.9	37.5	Apr
Boötes III	BoöIII	uft	13 57 12.0	+26 48 00	$46 \pm 2$	2.0	51.4	Apr
Canes Venatici I	CVnI	uft	13 28 03.5	+33 33 21	$216 \pm 8$	4.8	58.2	Apr
Canes Venatici II	CVnII	uft	12 57 10.0	+34 19 15	$159 \pm 8$	5.6	58.9	Apr
Carina	Car	cls	06 41 36.7	-50 57 58	$106 \pm 1$	79.7	26.3	Dec
Cetus I	CetI	uft	00 26 11.0	-11 02 40	$748 \pm 31$	39.8	13.6	Sep
Cetus II	CetII	uft	01 17 52.8	-17 25 12	$30 \pm 3$	46.2	7.2	Oct
Columba I	ColI	uft	05 31 26.4	-28 01 48	$182 \pm 18$	56.8	3.4	Dec
Coma Berenices	CBe	uft	12 26 59.0	+23 54 15	$42 \pm 2$	4.9	48.5	Mar
Draco I	DraI	cls	17 20 12.4	+57 54 55	$75 \pm 4$	29.2	82.5	Jun
Draco II	DraII	uft	15 52 47.6	+64 33 55	$20 \pm 3$	35.8	89.2	May
Eridanus II	EriII	uft	03 44 21.5	-43 31 48	$330 \pm 16$	72.3	18.9	Nov
Eridanus III	EriIII	uft	02 22 45.5	-52 16 48	$95 \pm 27$	81.0	27.7	Oct
Fornax	For	cls	02 39 59.3	-34 26 57	$146 \pm 1$	63.2	9.8	Oct
Grus I	GruI	uft	22 56 42.4	-50 09 48	$120 \pm 17$	78.9	25.5	Sep
Grus II	GruII	uft	22 04 04.8	-46 26 24	$53 \pm 5$	75.2	21.8	Aug
Hercules	Her	uft	16 31 02.0	+12 47 30	$137 \pm 11$	16.0	37.4	May
Horologium I	HorI	uft	02 55 28.9	-54 06 36	$87 \pm 13$	82.9	29.5	Oct
Hydra II	HyaII	uft	12 21 42.1	-31 59 07	$134 \pm 10$	60.7	7.4	Mar
Indus I	IndI	uft	21 08 48.1	-51 09 36	$69 \pm 16$	79.9	26.5	Aug
Indus II	IndII	uft	20 38 52.8	-46 09 36	$214 \pm 16$	74.9	21.5	Aug
Laevens 3	Lae3	uft	21 06 54.3	+14 58 48	$67 \pm 3$	13.8	39.6	Aug
Leo I	LeoI	cls	10 08 28.1	+12 18 23	$272 \pm 10$	16.5	36.9	Feb
Leo II	LeoII	cls	11 13 28.8	+22 09 06	$240 \pm 9$	6.6	46.8	Mar
Leo IV	LeoIV	uft	11 32 57.0	-00 32 00	$151 \pm 4$	29.3	24.1	Mar
Leo V	LeoV	uft	11 31 09.6	+02 13 12	$169 \pm 5$	26.5	26.9	Mar
Leo T	LeoT	uft	09 34 53.4	+17 03 05	$377 \pm 28$	11.7	41.7	Feb
Phoenix I	PheI	uft	01 51 06.3	-44 26 41	$427 \pm 31$	73.2	19.8	Oct
Phoenix II	PheII	uft	23 39 57.6	-54 24 36	$95 \pm 18$	83.2	29.8	Sep
Pictor I	PicI	uft	04 43 48.0	-50 16 48	$126 \pm 24$	79.4	25.7	Nov
Pisces II	PscII	uft	22 58 31.0	+05 57 09	$182 \pm 13$	22.8	30.6	Sep
Reticulum II	RetII	uft	03 35 40.9	-54 03 00	$32 \pm 2$	82.8	29.4	Nov
Reticulum III	RetIII	uft	03 45 26.3	-60 27 00	$92 \pm 3$	89.2	35.8	Nov
Sagittarius I	SgrI	dis	18 55 19.5	-30 32 43	$31 \pm 1$	59.3	5.9	Jul
Sagittarius II	SgrII	uft	19 52 40.5	-22 04 05	$67 \pm 5$	50.8	2.6	Jul
Sculptor	Scl	cls	01 00 09.4	-33 42 37	$84 \pm 2$	62.5	9.1	Oct
Segue 1	Seg1	uft	10 07 04.0	+16 04 55	$23 \pm 2$	12.7	40.7	Feb
Segue 2	Seg2	uft	02 19 16.0	+20 10 31	$36 \pm 2$	8.6	44.8	Oct
Sextans	Sex	cls	10 13 03.1	-01 36 53	$84 \pm 3$	30.4	23.0	Feb
Triangulum II	TriII	uft	01 13 11.4	+36 10 42	$30 \pm 2$	7.4	60.8	Oct
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Tucana II	TucII	uft	22 52 16.7	-58 33 36	$58 \pm 6$	87.3	33.9	Sep
Tucana III	TucIII	uft	23 56 35.9	-59 36 00	$25 \pm 2$	88.4	35.0	Sep
Tucana IV	TucIV	uft	00 02 55.3	-60 51 00	$48 \pm 4$	89.6	36.2	Sep
Ursa Major I	UMaI	uft	10 34 52.8	+51 55 12	$105 \pm 2$	23.2	76.6	Mar
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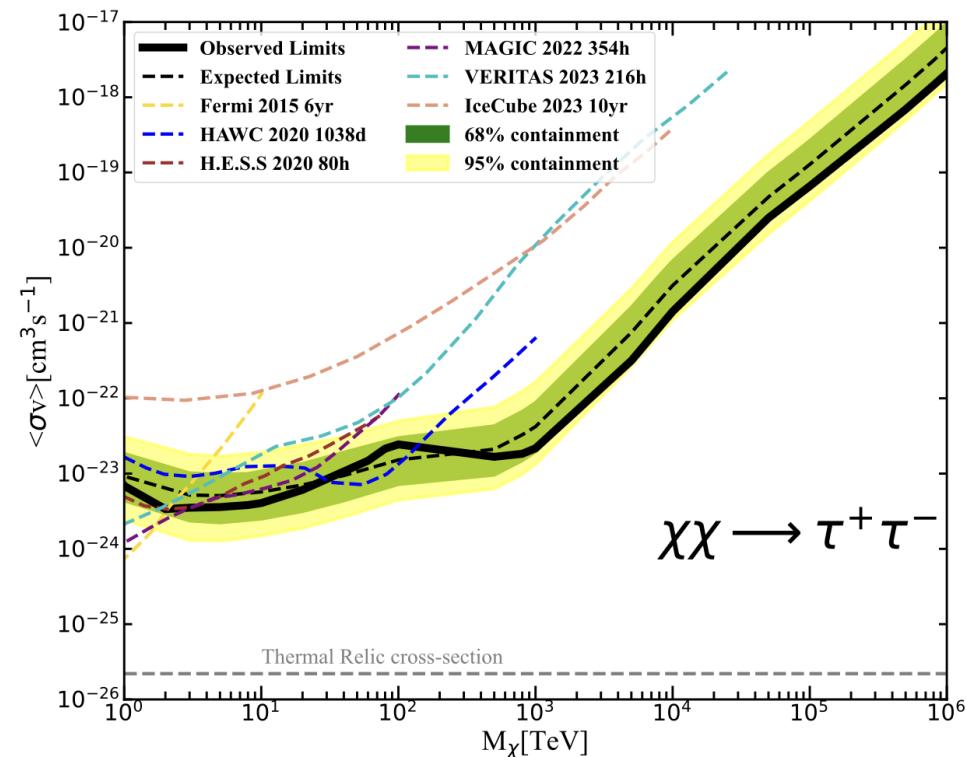
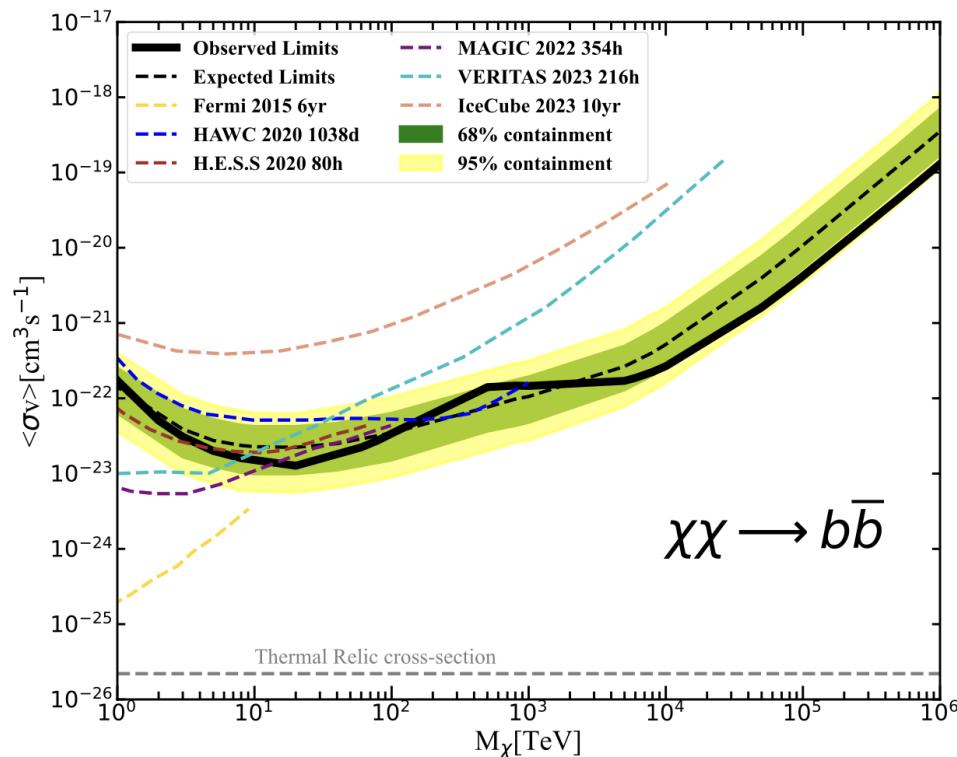
LHAASO



Mt. Haizi 4410 altitude

# Constraints on Ultra Heavy Dark Matter Properties from Dwarf Spheroidal Galaxies with LHAASO Observations

## DM annihilation cross-section



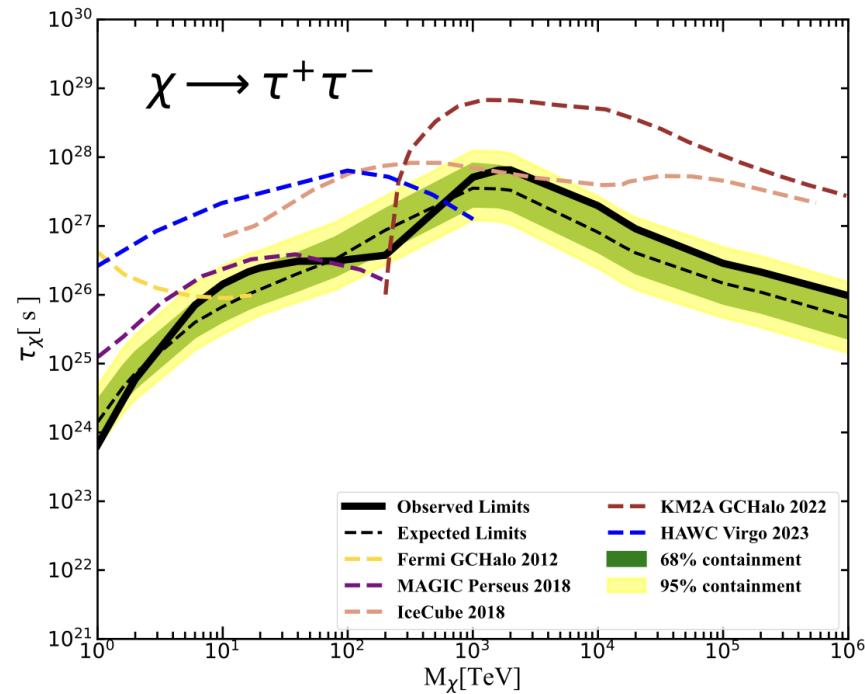
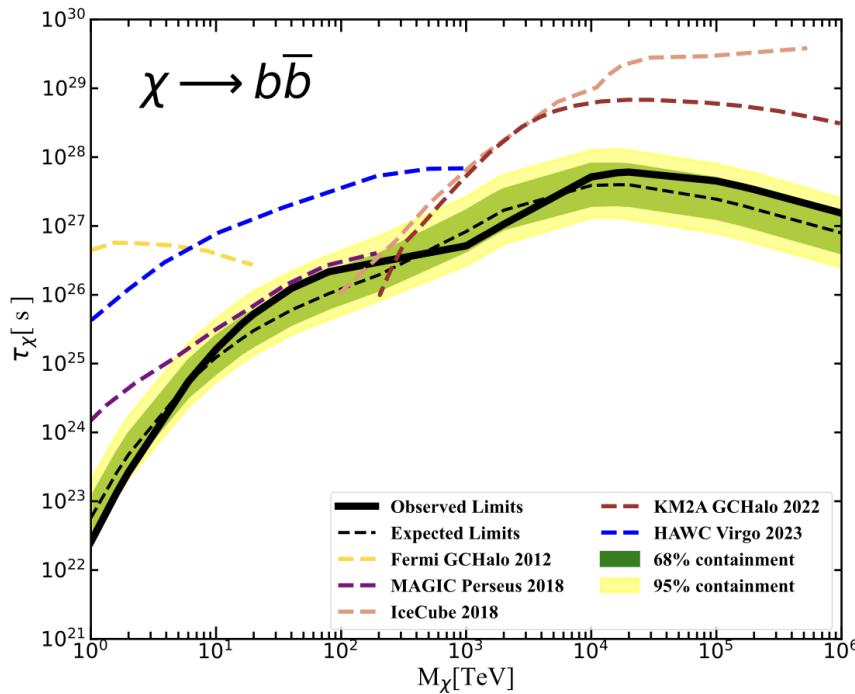
700 days, 16 dwarf spheroidal galaxies



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## DM decay lifetime

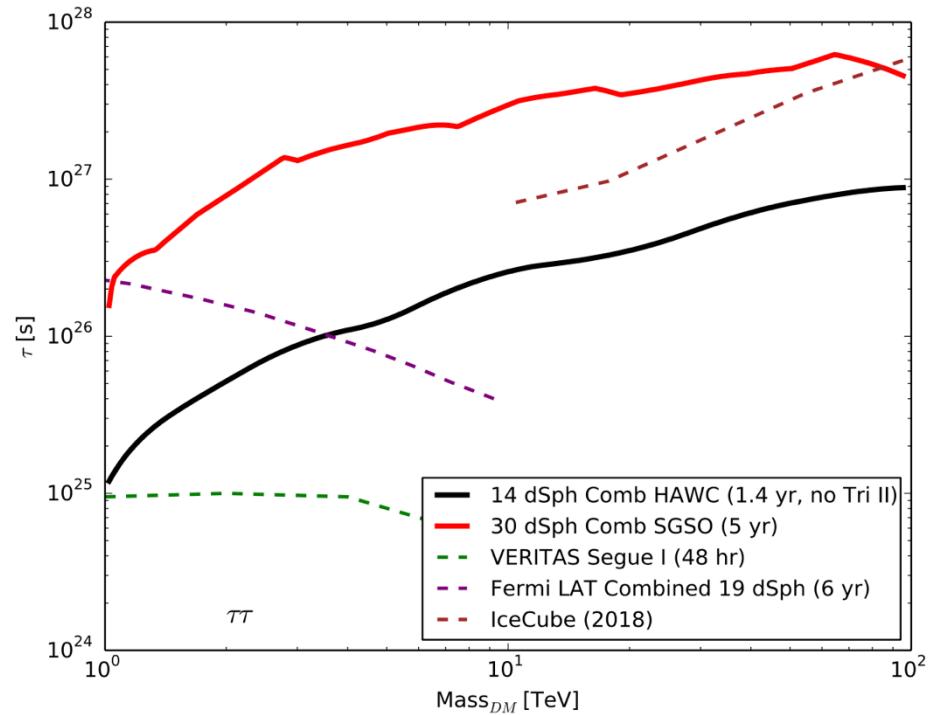
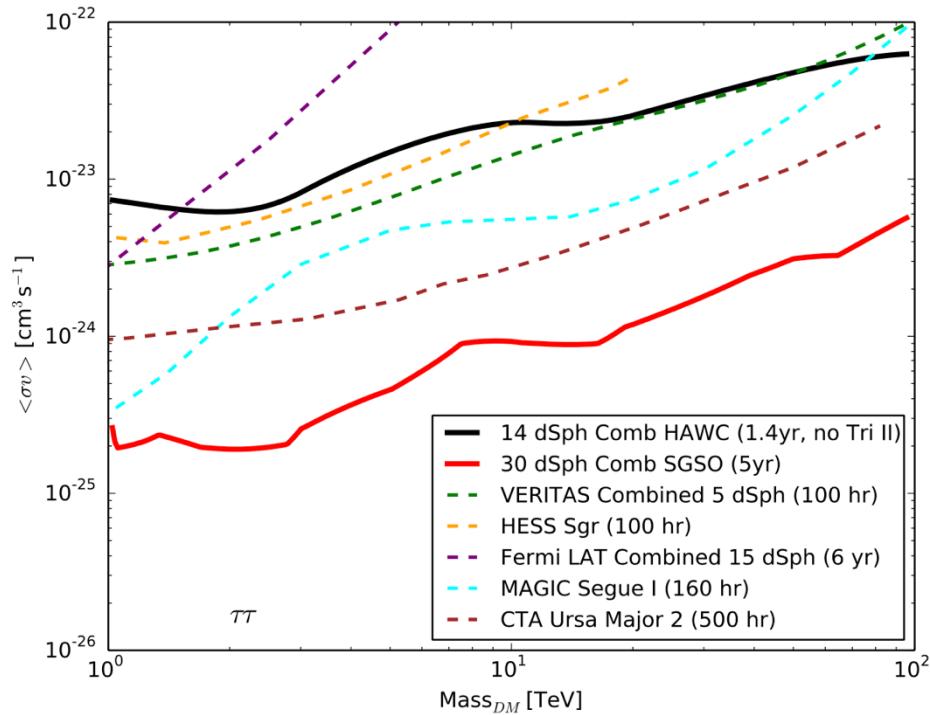


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# SWGO sensitivities

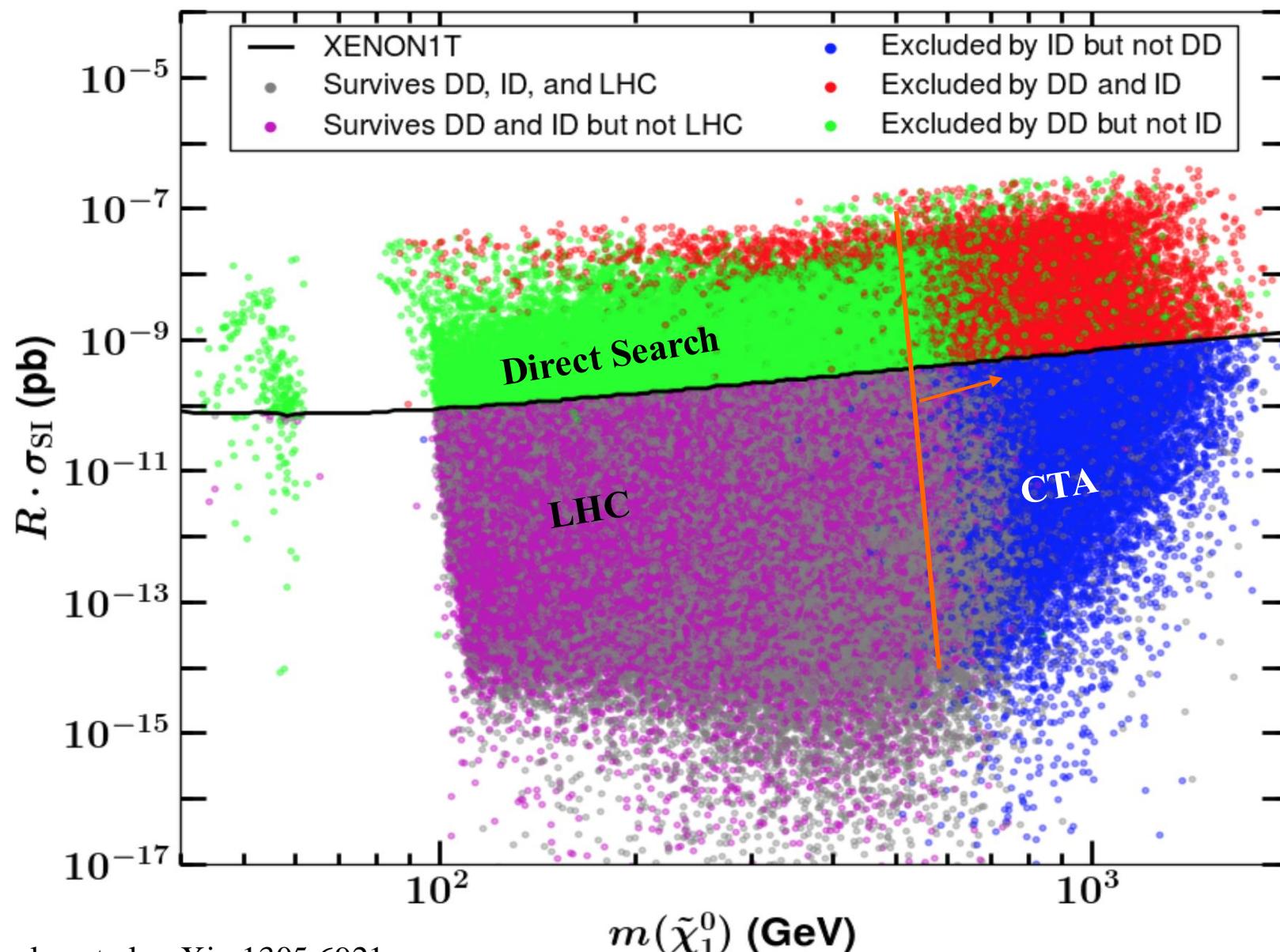


Assumed new dSph discovery and  
J-factor and D-factor distributions of the new dSphs matches that of the previously known  
dSphs



SWGO White paper arXiv:1902.08429

# Complementarity and Searches for Dark Matter in the pMSSM



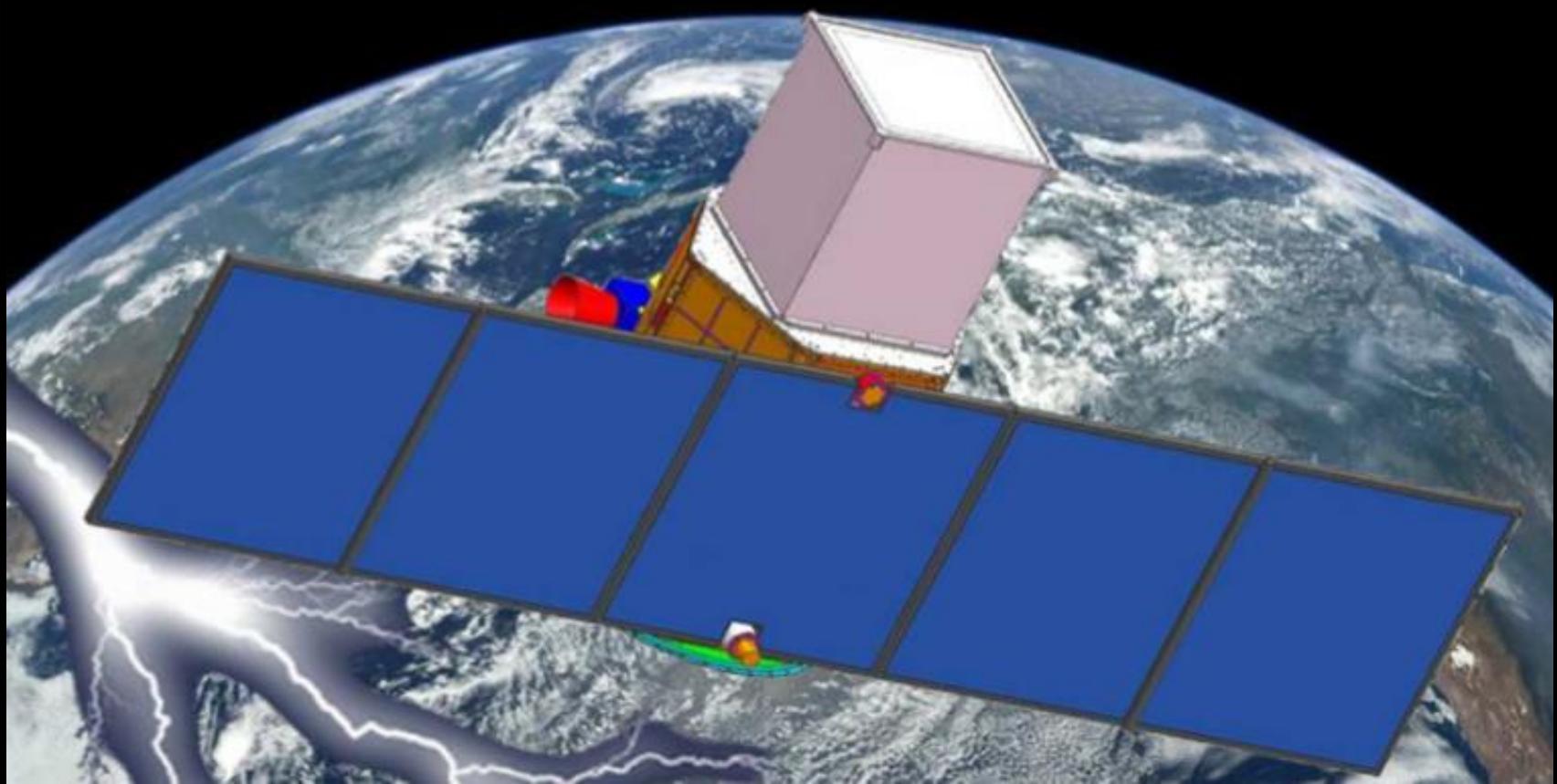
Cahill-Rowley et al. arXiv:1305.6921

# The Low Energy Frontier





# Gamma-Light



# Gamma-light project

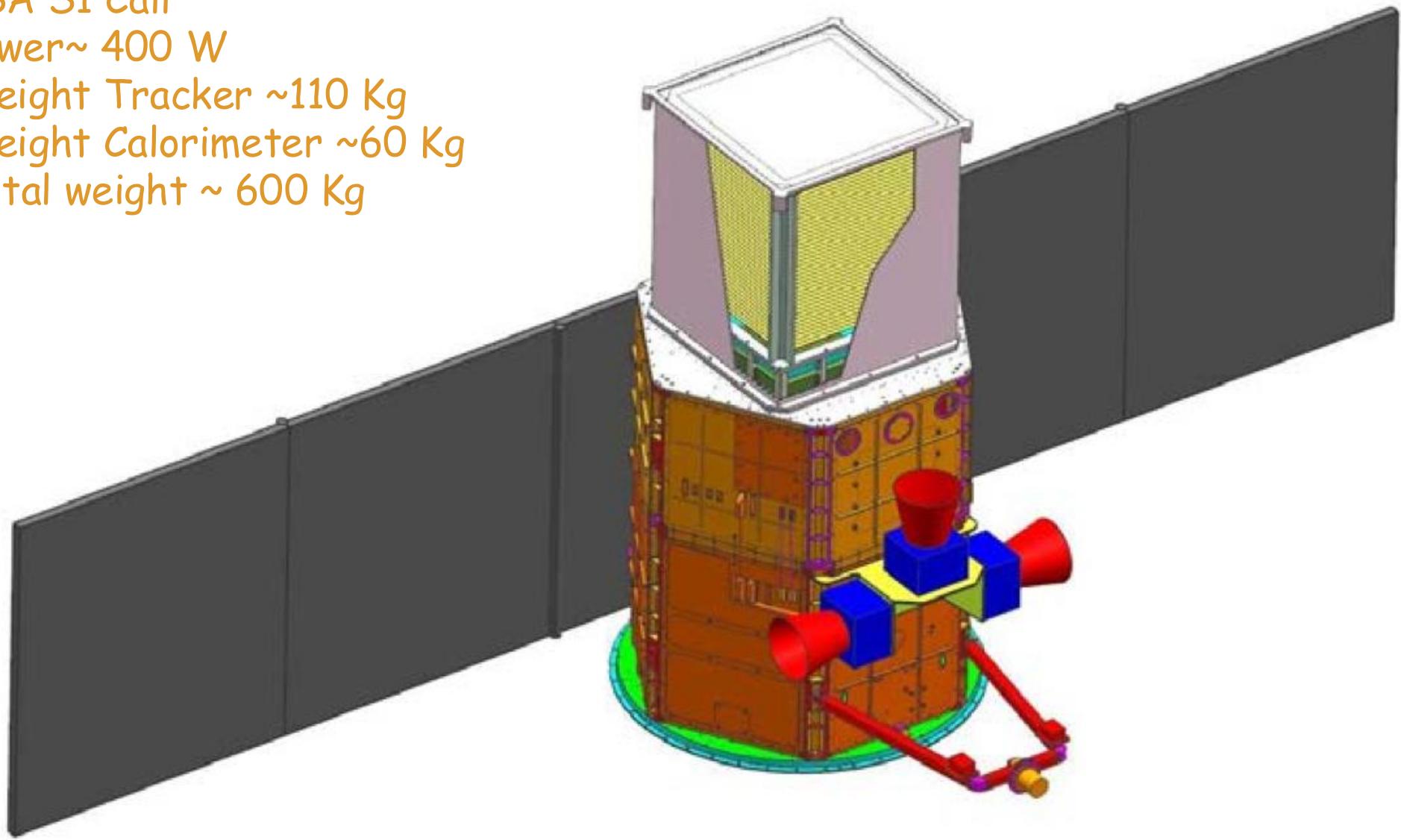
ESA S1 Call

Power~ 400 W

Weight Tracker ~110 Kg

Weight Calorimeter ~60 Kg

Total weight ~ 600 Kg



# Gamma-light scheme

40+1 x-y planes

100  $\mu\text{m}$  pitch  
each

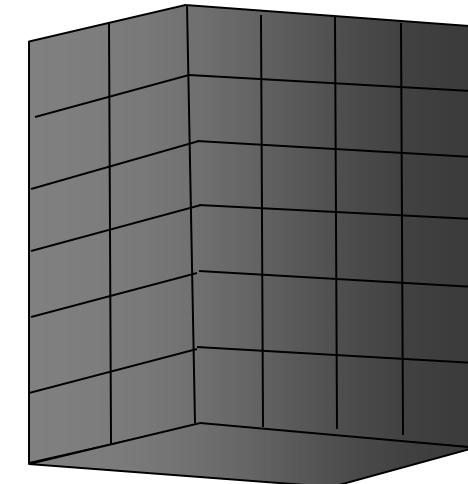
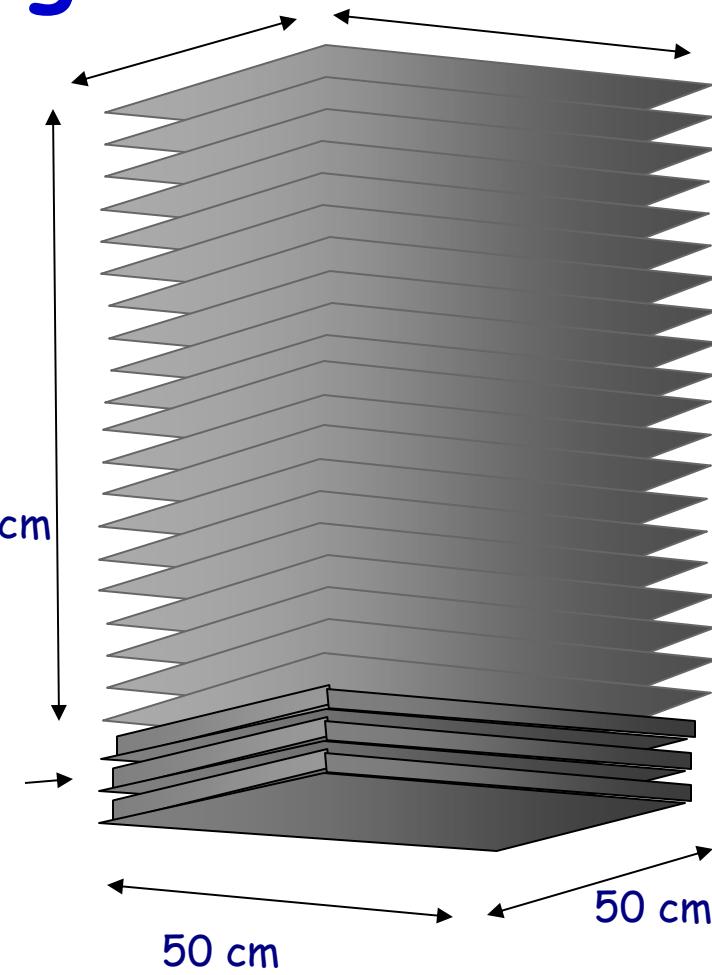
$\sim 0.025 X_0$

Tot  $\sim 1 X_0$

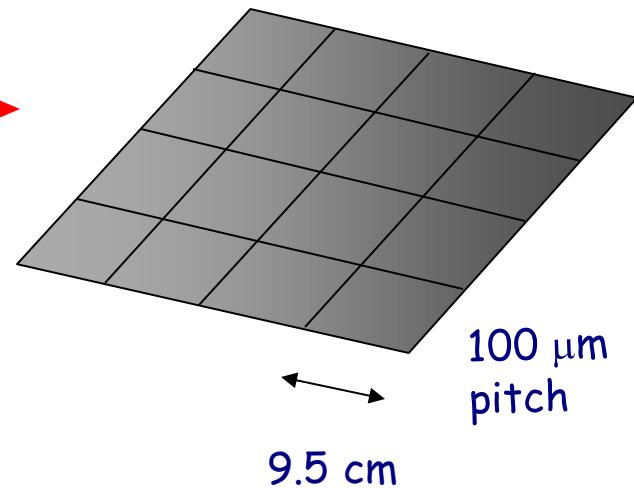
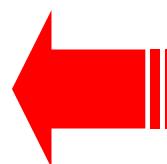
54.7 cm

height of a plane 1.3 cm

2  $X_0$  Calorimeter

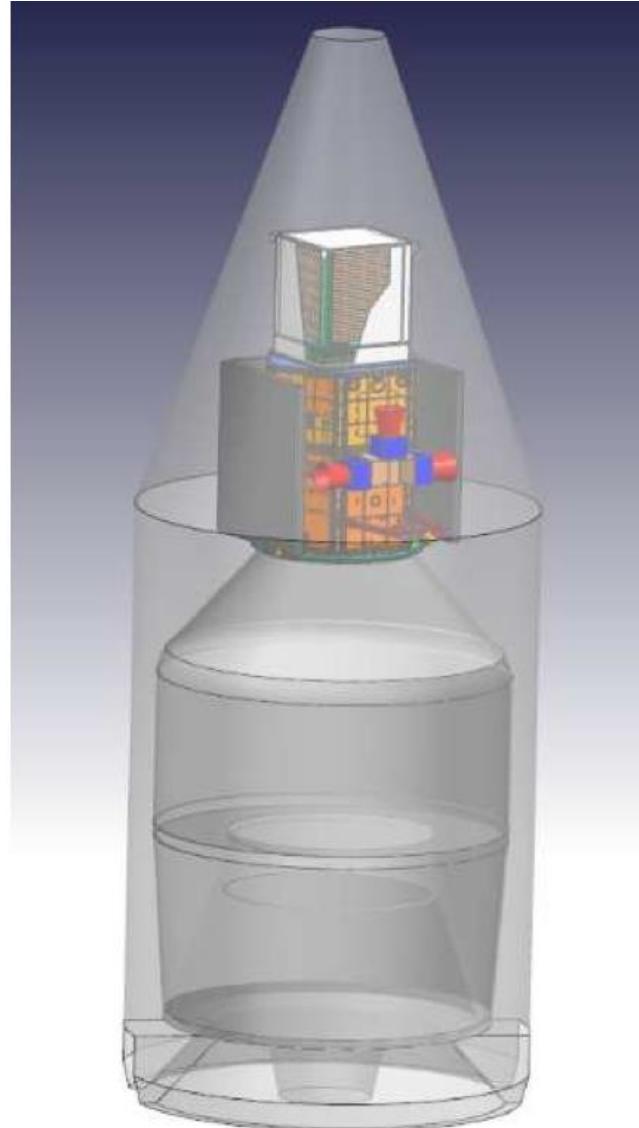
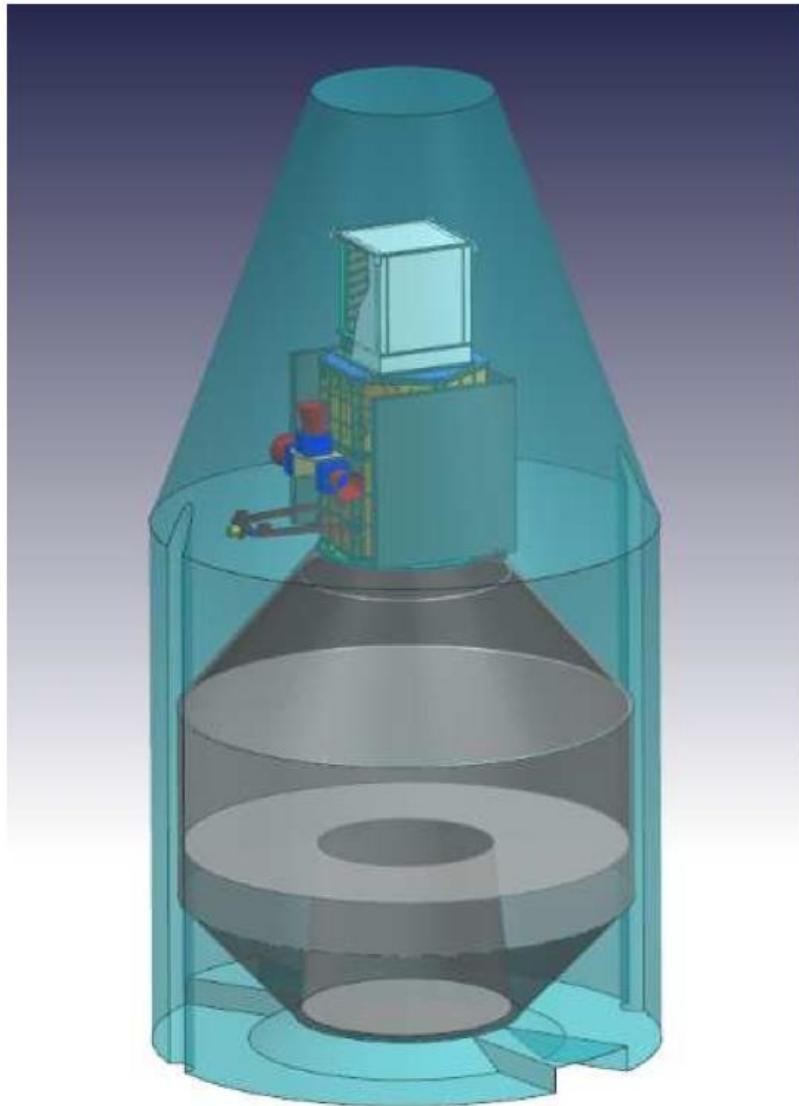


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*Compton scattering and pair production telescope*

# GAMMA-LIGHT satellite launch configurations for the PSLV and VEGA

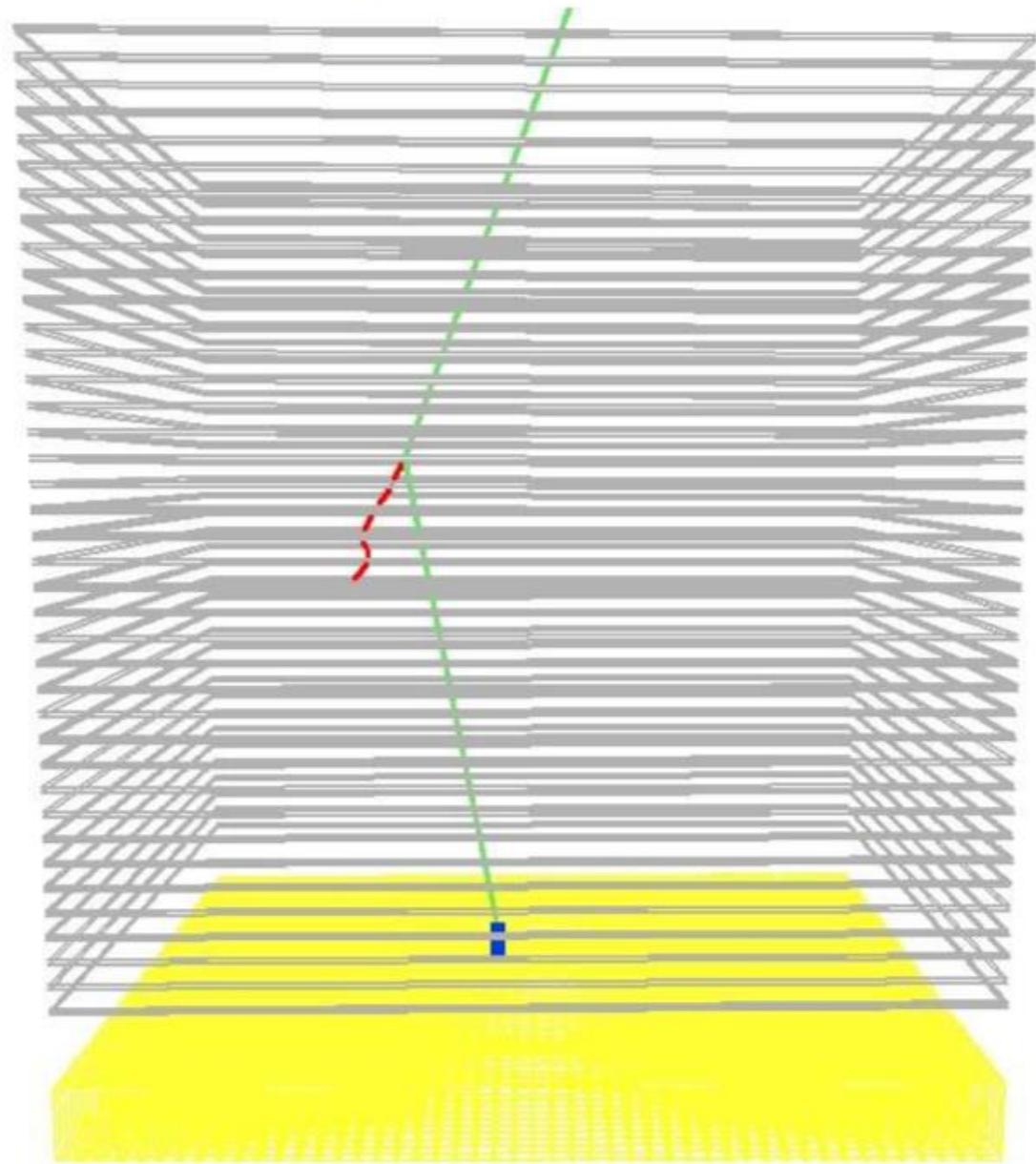


- a companion satellite similar to G-LIGHT can be accommodated.

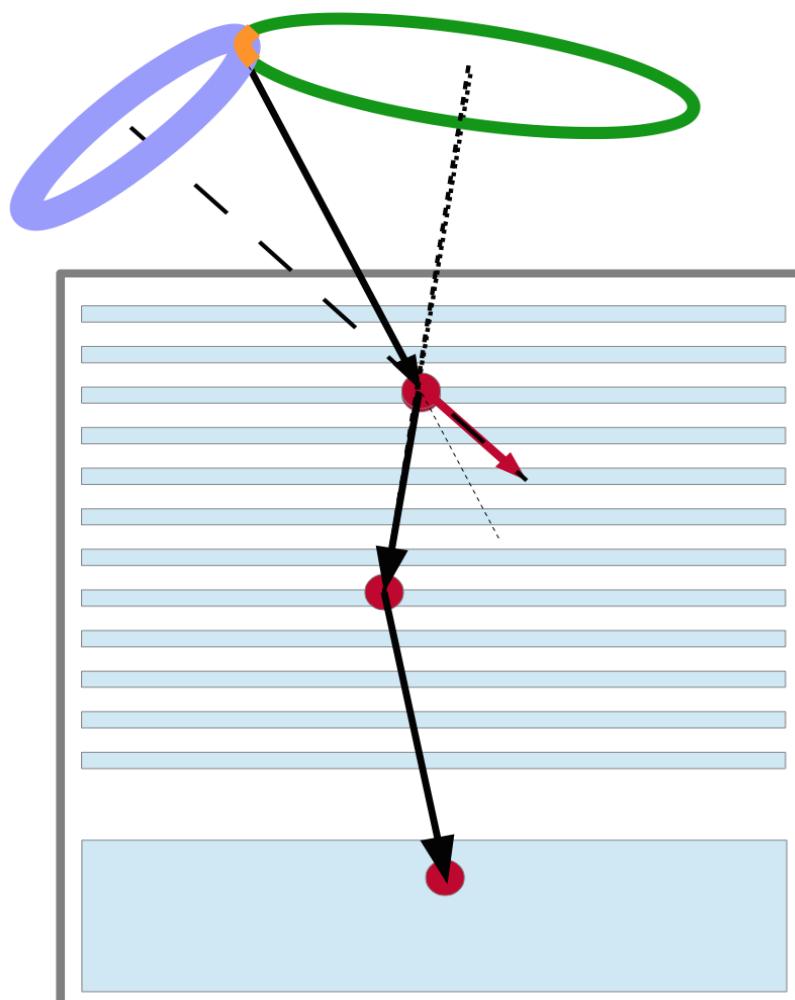
# G-LIGHT Simulation

Compton interaction of  
a 10 MeV photon  
producing a low-energy  
single-track electron,  
and depositing energy  
in the Calorimeter for  
a  $30^{\circ}$  incidence

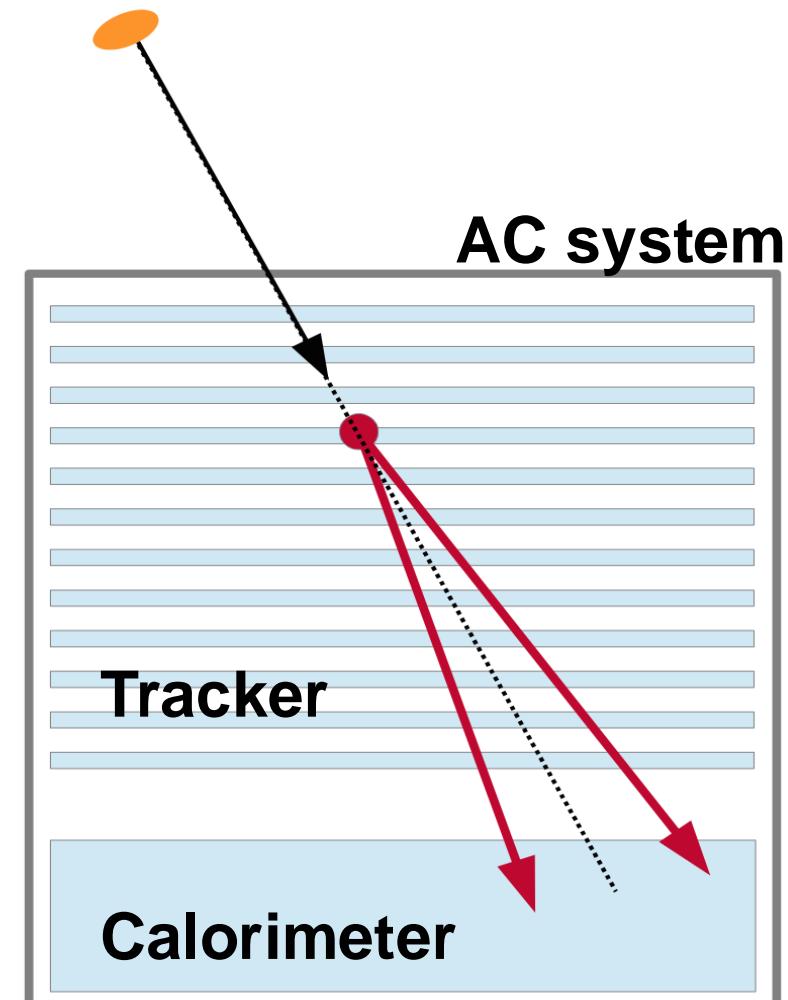
10 MeV



# An instrument that combine two detection techniques



Tracked Compton event

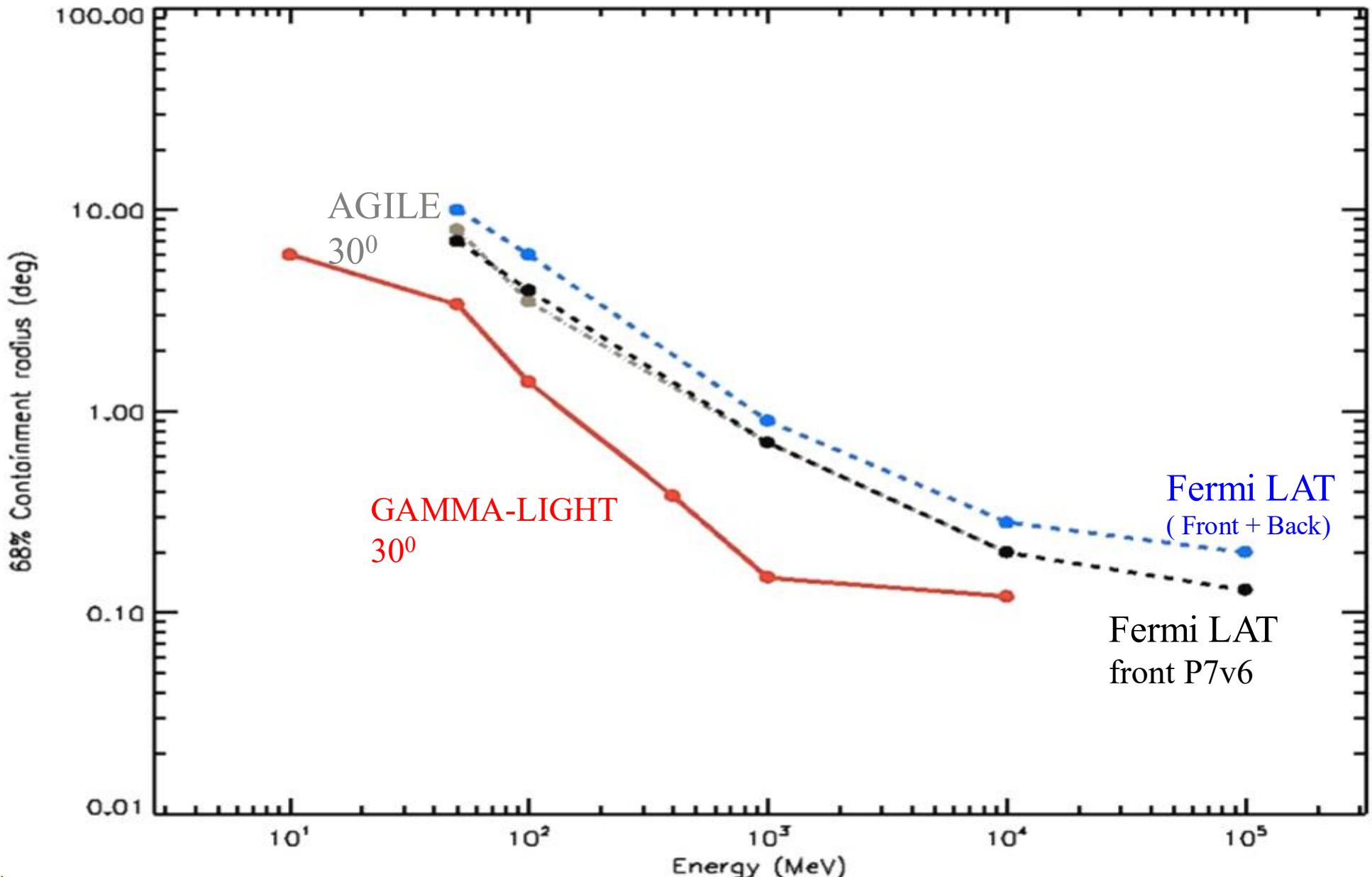


Tracker

Calorimeter

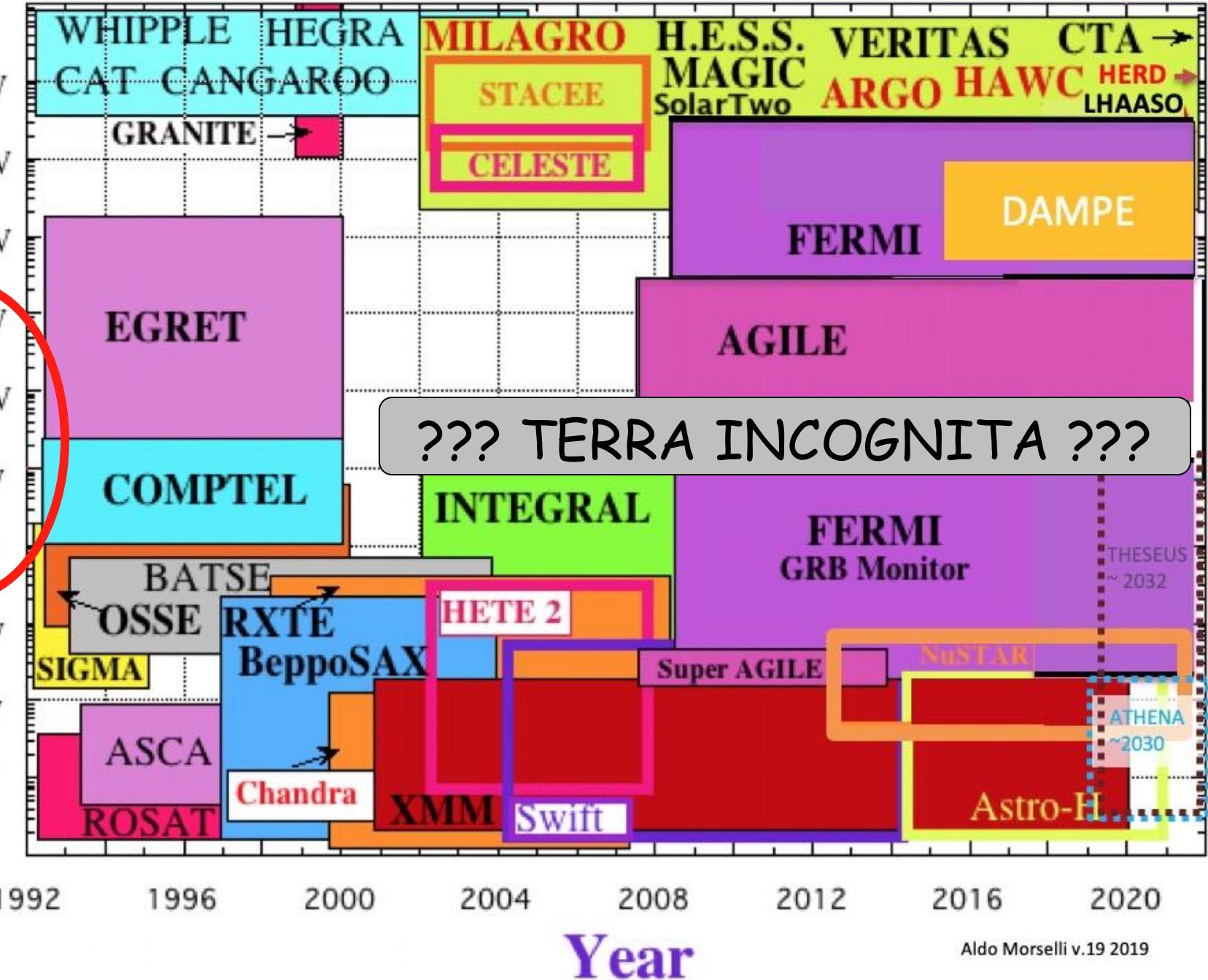
Pair event

# Gamma-Light Point Spread Function (angular resolution)



A.Morselli et al. , Nuclear Physics B Proc. Supp. 239–240 (2013) 193-198 [arXiv:1406.1071]

# Energy

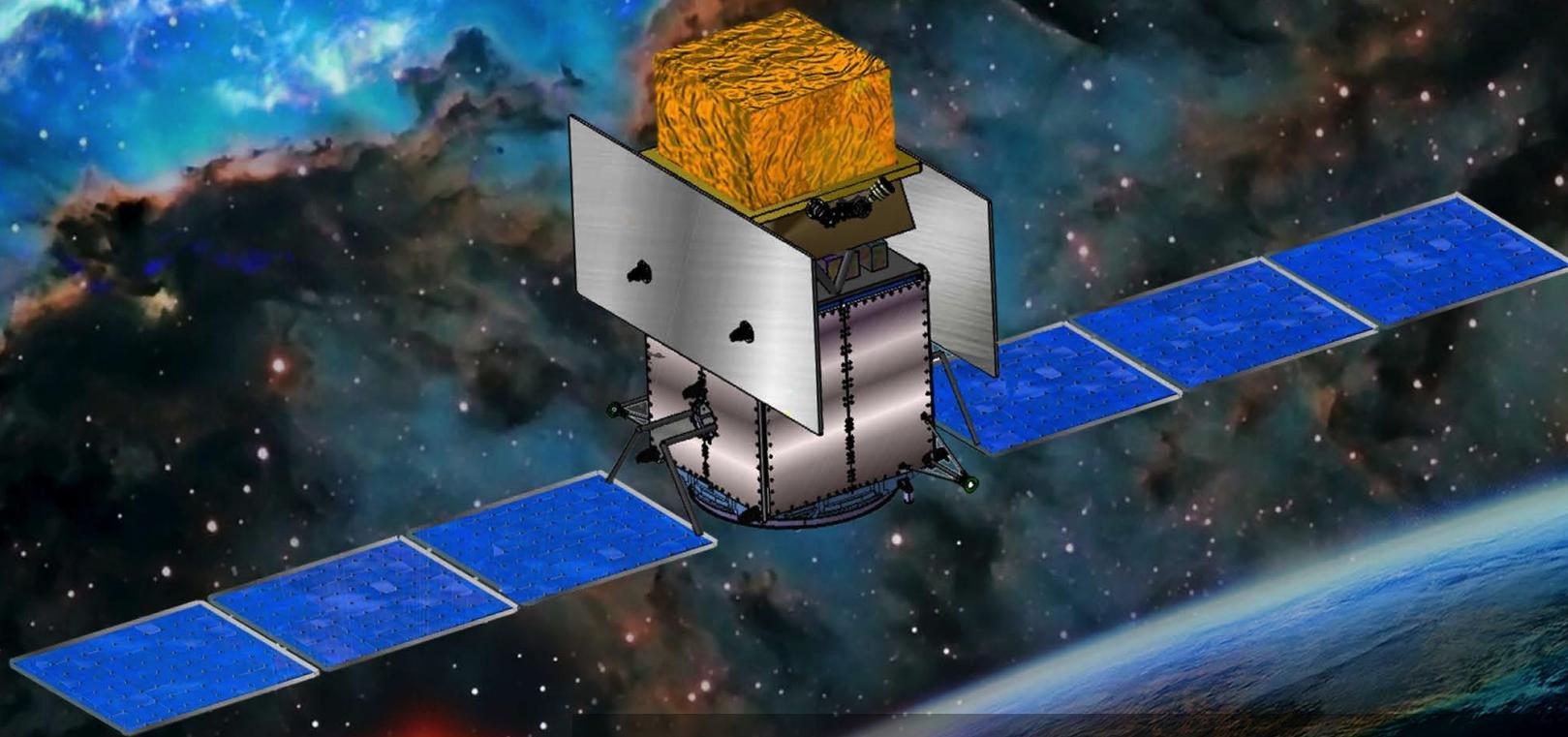


- 1-100 MeV unexplored domain for
  - Dark Matter searches
  - Galactic compact stars and nucleosynthesis
  - Cosmic rays
  - Relativistic jets, microquasars
  - Blazars
  - Gamma-Ray Bursts
  - Solar physics
- and...
  - Terrestrial Gamma-Ray Flashes

# e-ASTROGAM

at the heart of the extreme Universe

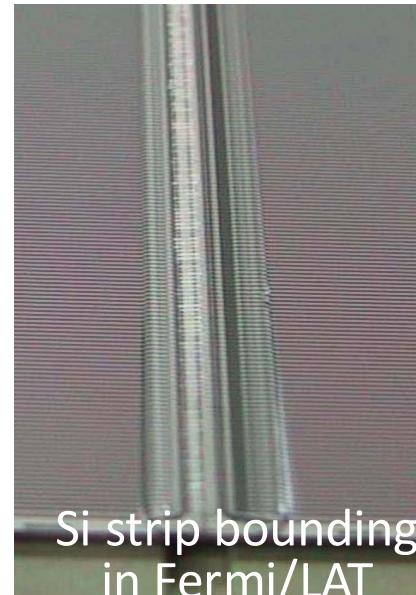
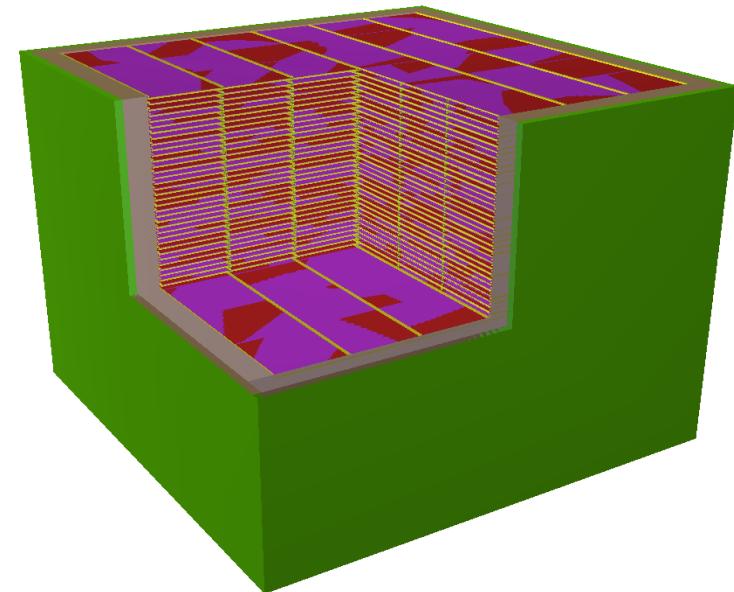
An observatory for gamma rays  
In the MeV/GeV domain



Detector paper: Exp. Astronomy 2017, 44, 25 arXiv:1611.02232  
Science White Book: arXiv:1711.01265 (213 pages)

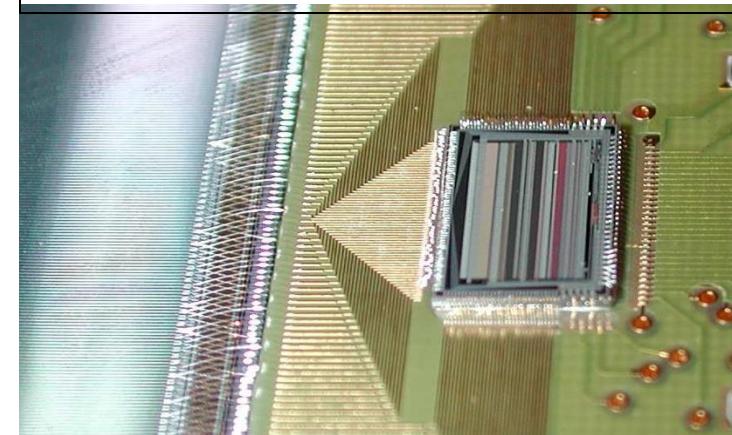


- 70 layers of  $6 \times 6$  double sided Si strip detectors = 2520 DSSDs
  - Each DSSD has a total area of  $9.5 \times 9.5 \text{ cm}^2$ , a thickness of  $400 \mu\text{m}$ , a strip width of  $100 \mu\text{m}$  and pitch of  $240 \mu\text{m}$  (384 strips per side), and a guard ring of 1.5 mm
  - Spacing of the Si layers: 7.5 mm
  - The DSSDs are wire bonded strip to strip to form 2-D ladders
- ⇒ 322 560 electronic channels
- DSSD strips connected to ASICs (32 channels each) through a pitch adapter (DC coupling)
  - 144 ASICs (IDeF-X HD) per layer (72 per DSSD side)
- ⇒ 10 080 ASICs total



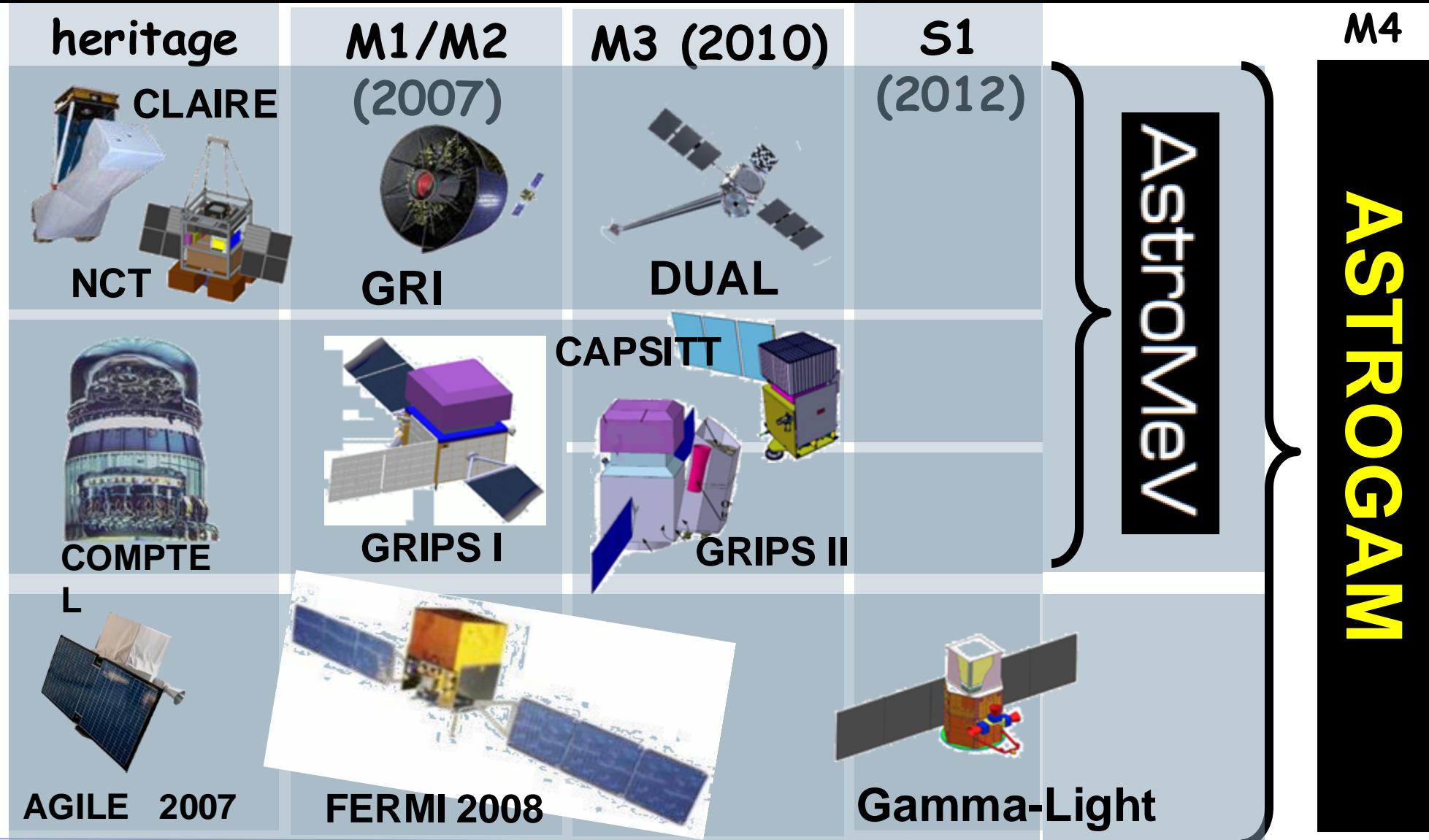
Si strip bounding  
in Fermi/LAT

Detail of the detector-ASIC bonding in the AGILE Si Tracker

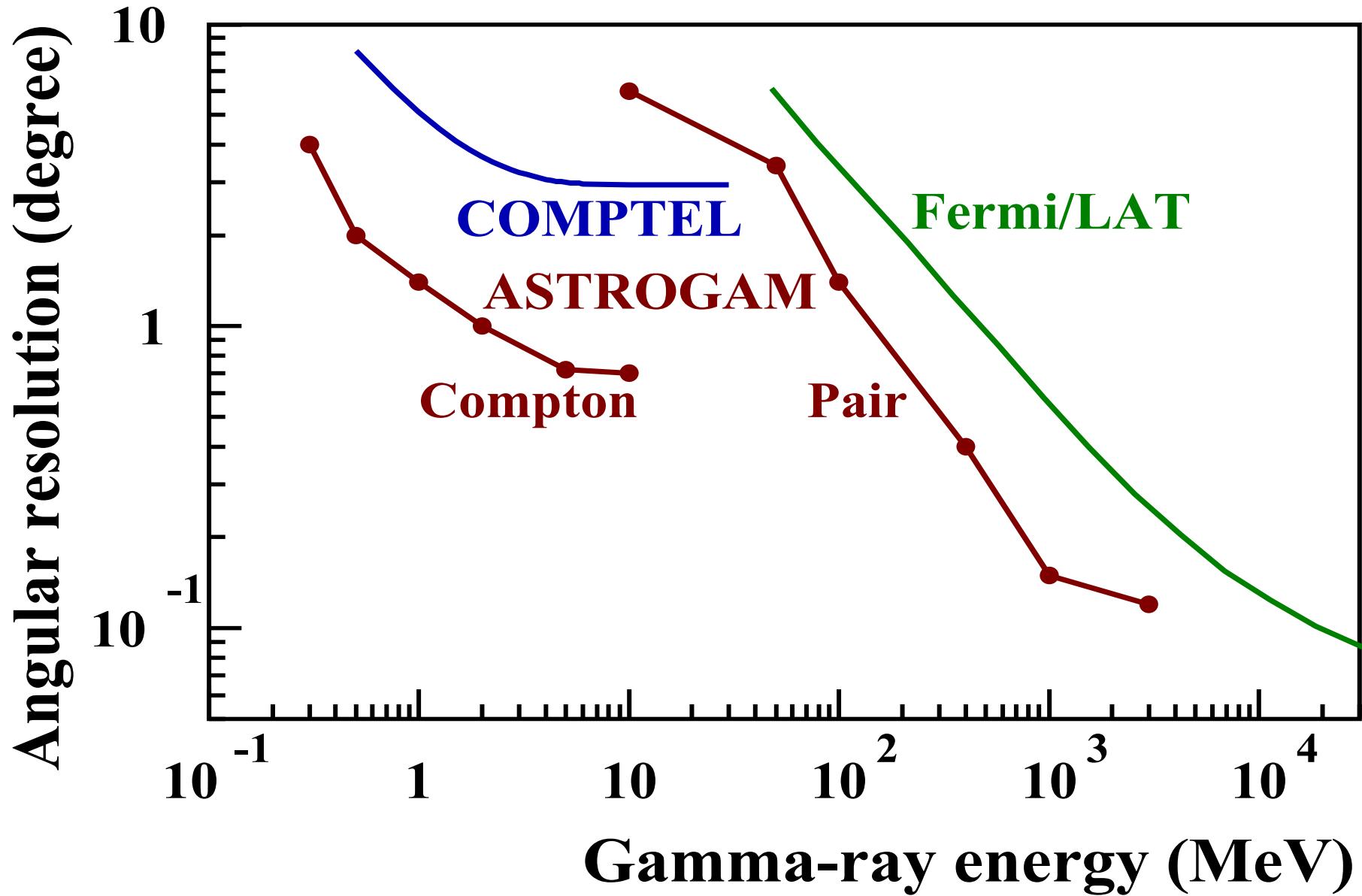




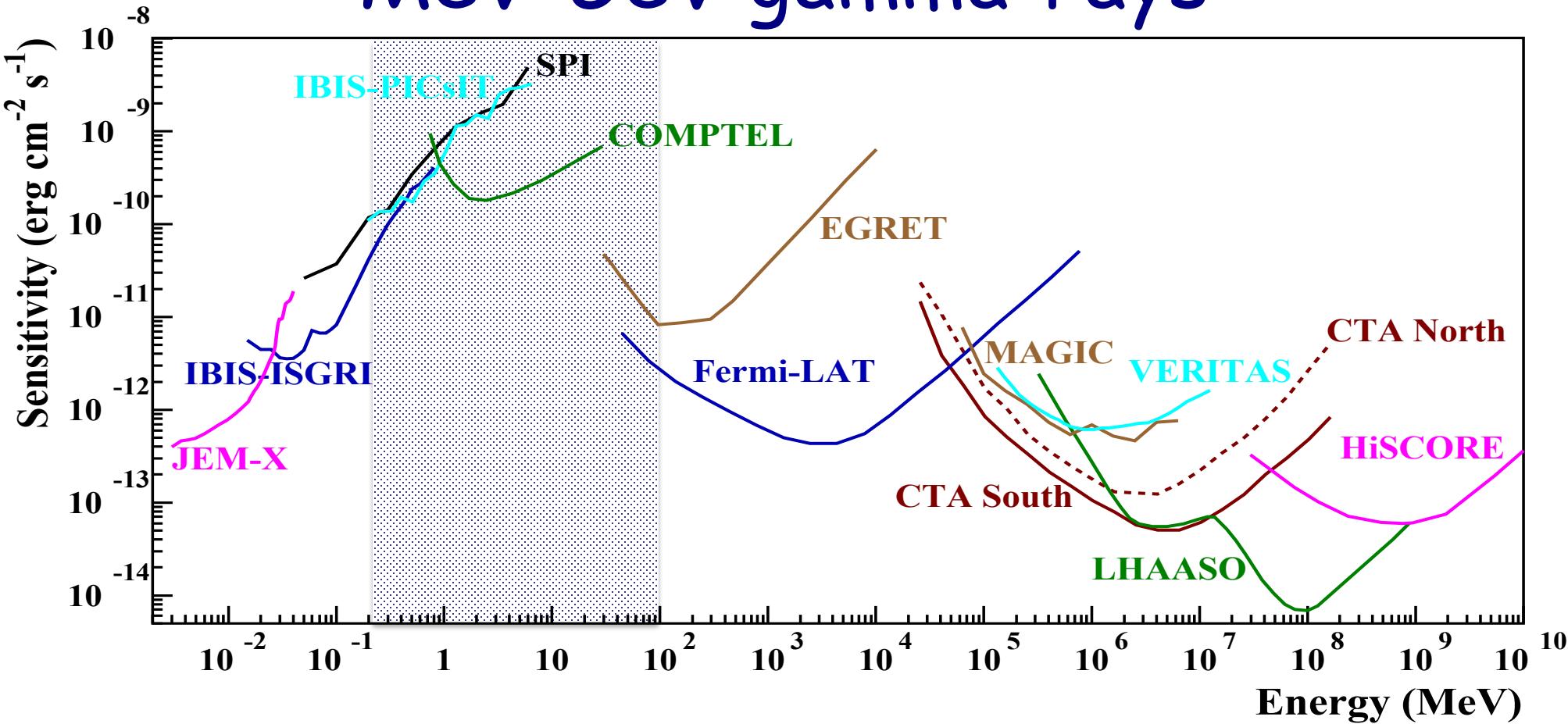
# ASTROGAM a unified proposal from the entire gamma-ray community



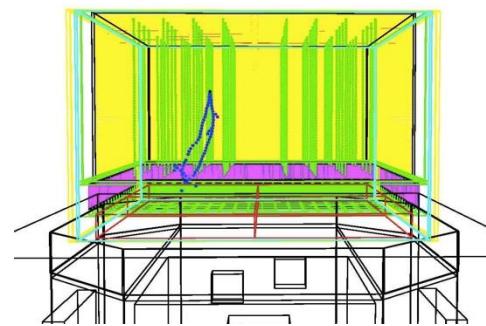
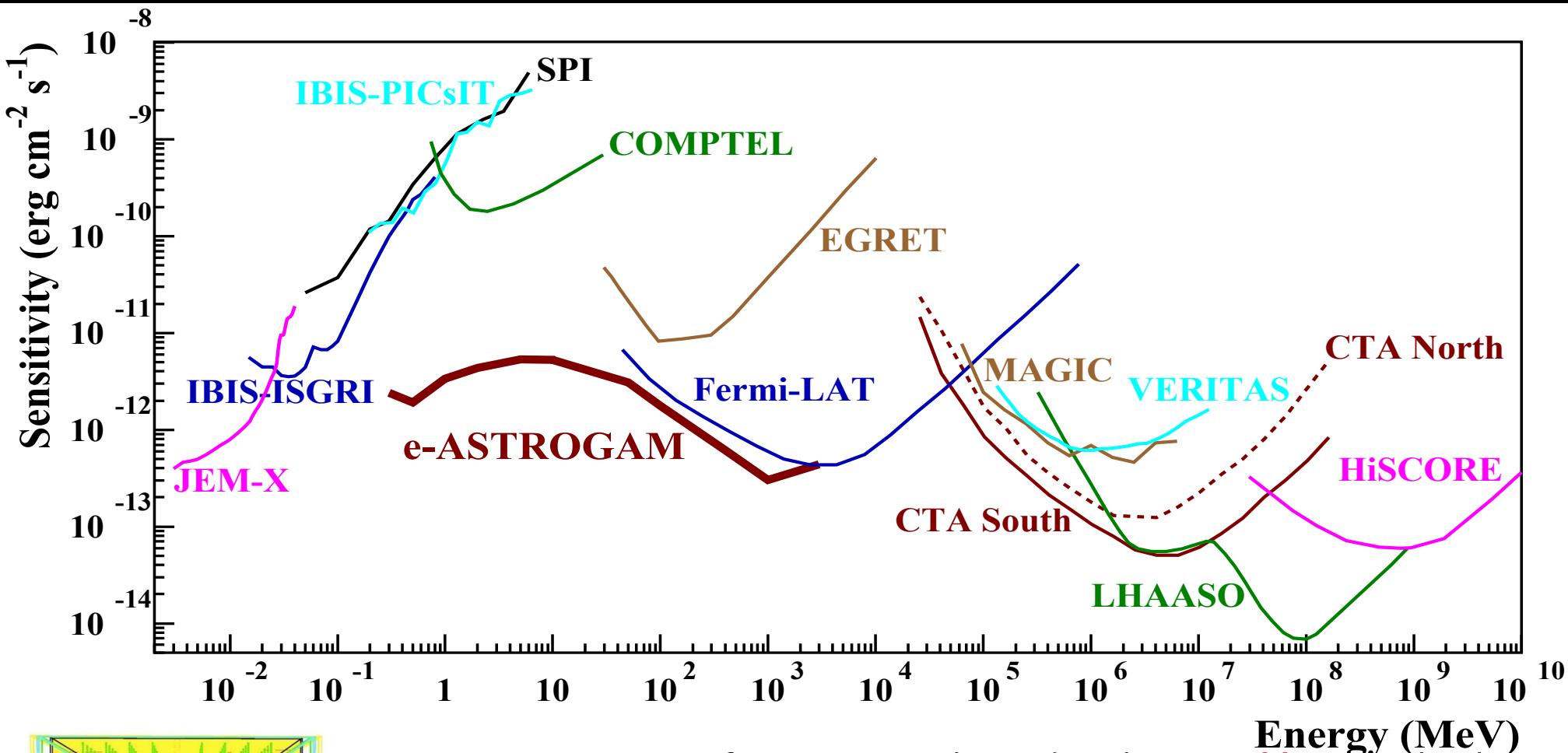
# ASTROGAM Angular Resolution



# MeV-GeV gamma-rays



- Worst covered part of the electromagnetic spectrum in 0.1-100 MeV
- Many objects have their peak emissivity in this range (GRBs, blazars, pulsars...)
- The MeV range is the domain of nuclear gamma-ray lines (supernovae, nucleosynthesis and Galactic chemical evolution)



- e-ASTROGAM performance evaluated with **MEGAlib** and – both tools based on Geant4 – and a **detailed numerical mass model** of the gamma-ray instrument

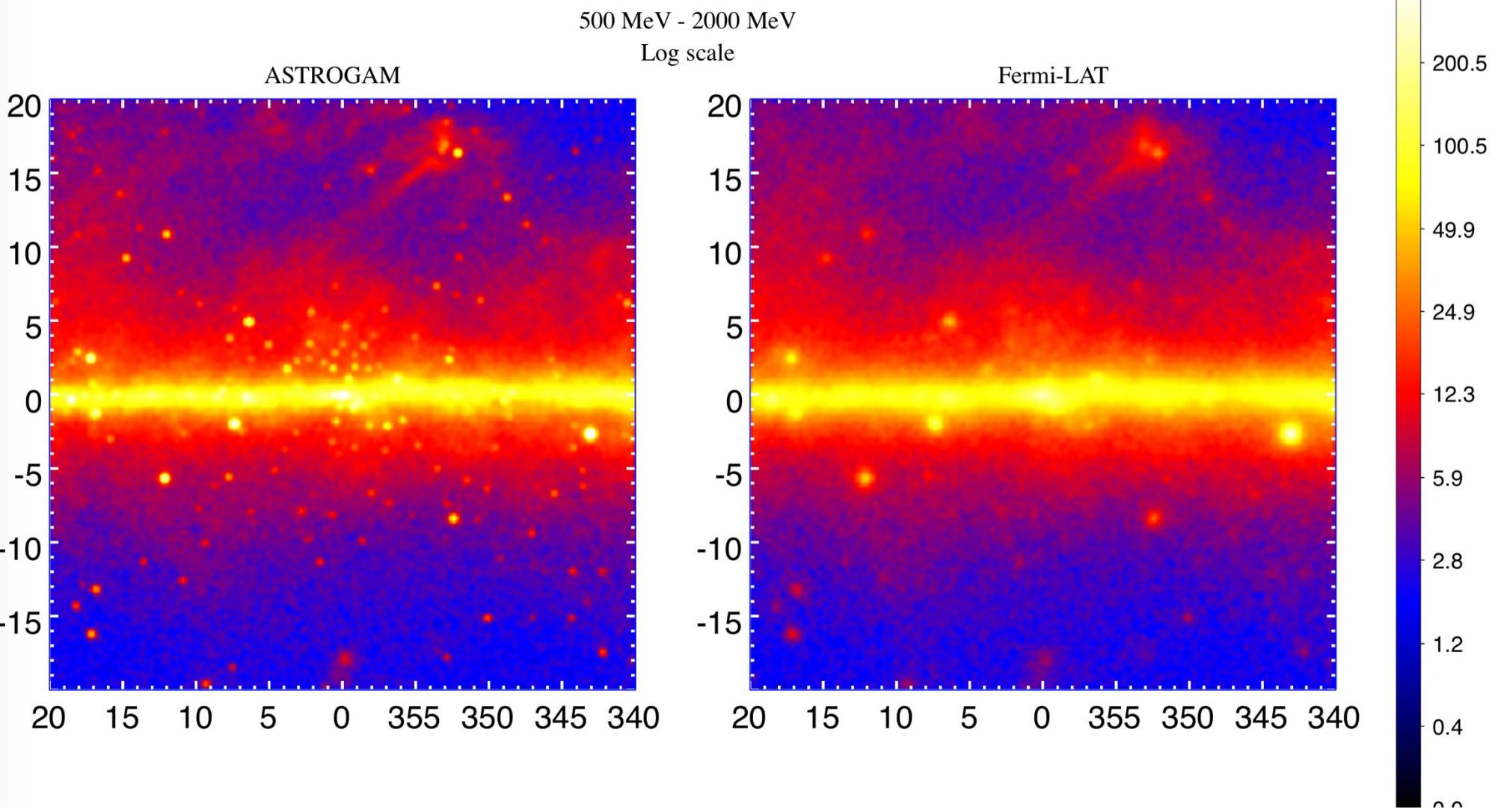


e-AstroGAM: arXiv:1611.02232

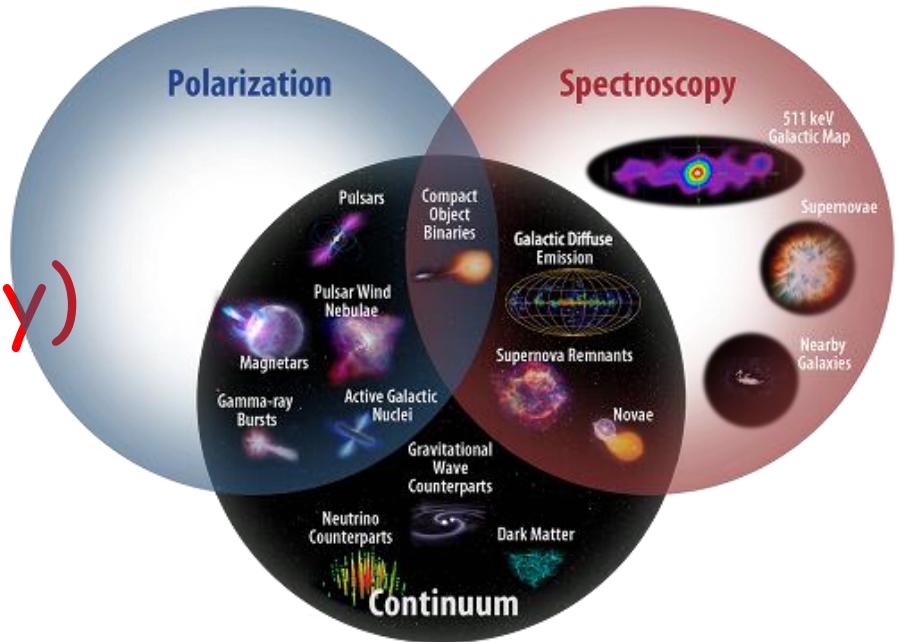
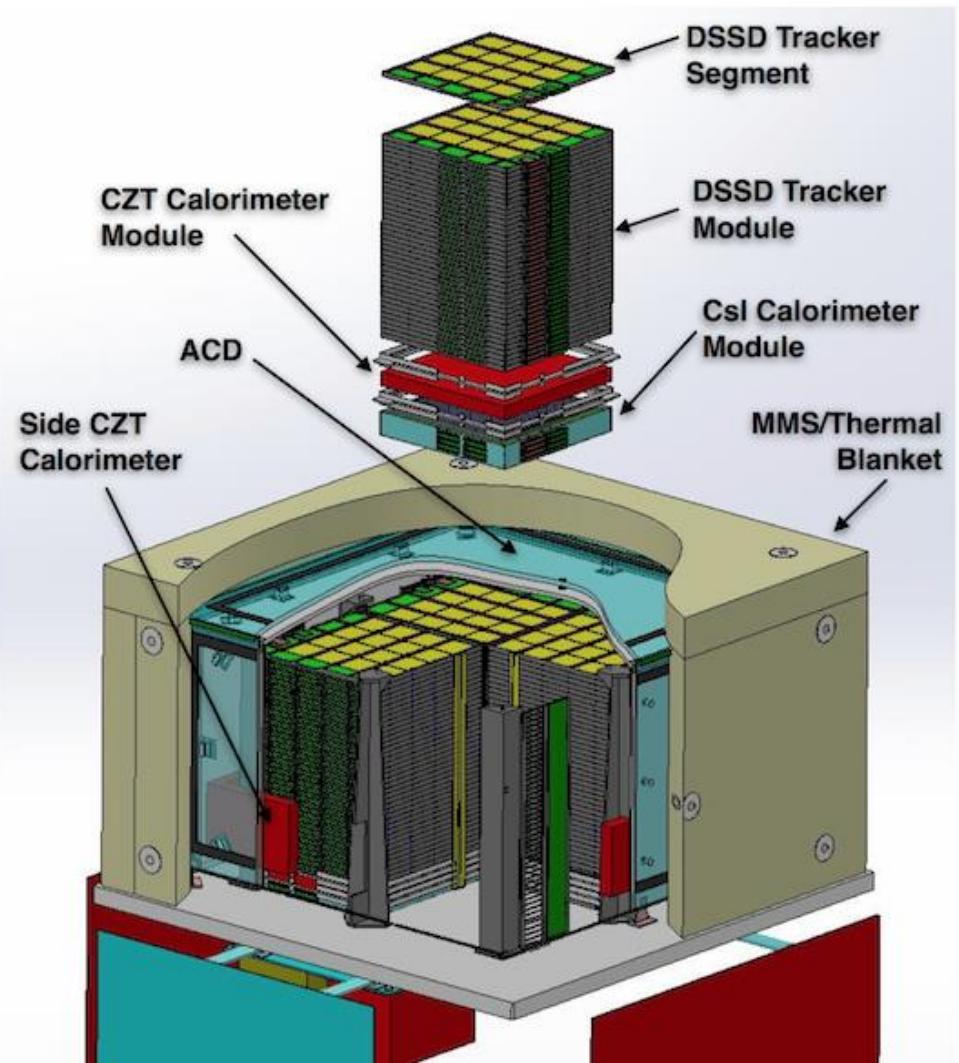
we are now preparing a proposal for ESA M8 in 2025

# Galactic Center Region 0.5-2 GeV

Fermi PSF Pass7 rep v15 source



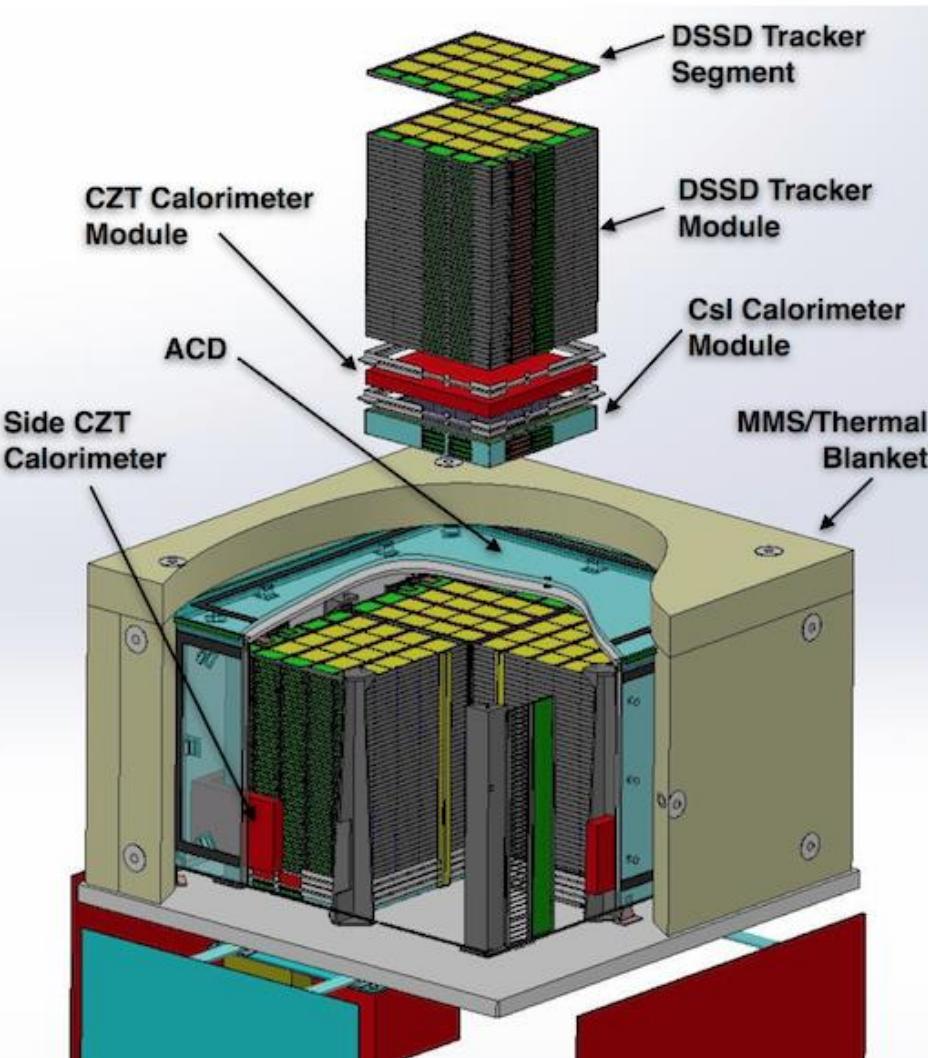
# Our sister experiment: AMEGO (NASA) (two brands, one community)



- ~20% smaller tracker
- CZT calorimeter layer

Status and Plans :  
Resubmit in the next MIDEX round  
(~2027)

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in the meantime:

Advocate to NASA via the Physics of the Cosmos Program Analysis Group (PhysPAG). This is NASA's link to the community.

- Science gaps:  
<https://pcos.gsfc.nasa.gov/physpag/science-gaps/science-gaps.php>
- Technology gaps: [https://pcos.gsfc.nasa.gov/news/2024/6\\_Technology\\_Gaps\\_Submissions\\_Due.php](https://pcos.gsfc.nasa.gov/news/2024/6_Technology_Gaps_Submissions_Due.php)
- Join the Gamma-ray Science Interest Group (GammaSIG)
- <https://pcos.gsfc.nasa.gov/sigs/grsig.php>



# ASTROPHYSICS FLEET

## PRE-FORMULATION

MIDEX/MO 2028

PROBE ~2030

ATHENA EARLY 2030s

LISA MID 2030s

## VERY SMALL MISSIONS

## TRADITIONAL MISSIONS

### KEY

- INTERNATIONAL PARTNER LED
- ISS INSTRUMENT
- SMALLSAT
- CUBESAT
- BALLOON

- FORMULATION
- IMPLEMENTATION
- OPERATING
- EXTENDED

2020

SXG

TESS



2015



SOFIA

NUSTAR

2010



FERMI



GEHRELS SWIFT

2005



CHANDRA



XMM-NEWTON

2000

- ASPERA
- PUEO
- BLACKCAT
- PANDORA
- SPARCS-2
- STARBURST



XRISM



SPHEREX



ULTRASAT



COSI



ROMAN



ARIEL

2025

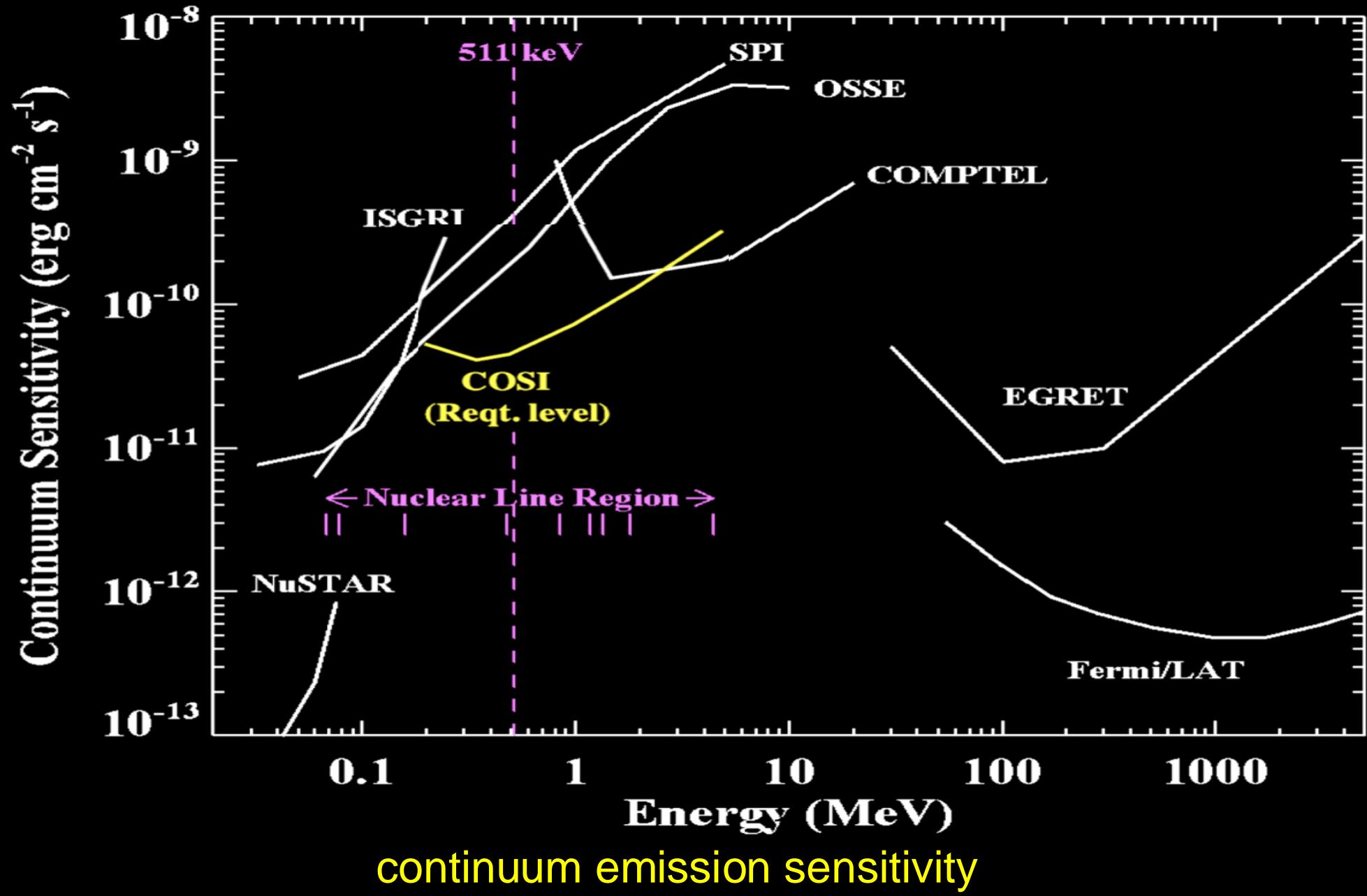
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# COSI The Compton Spectrometer and Imager

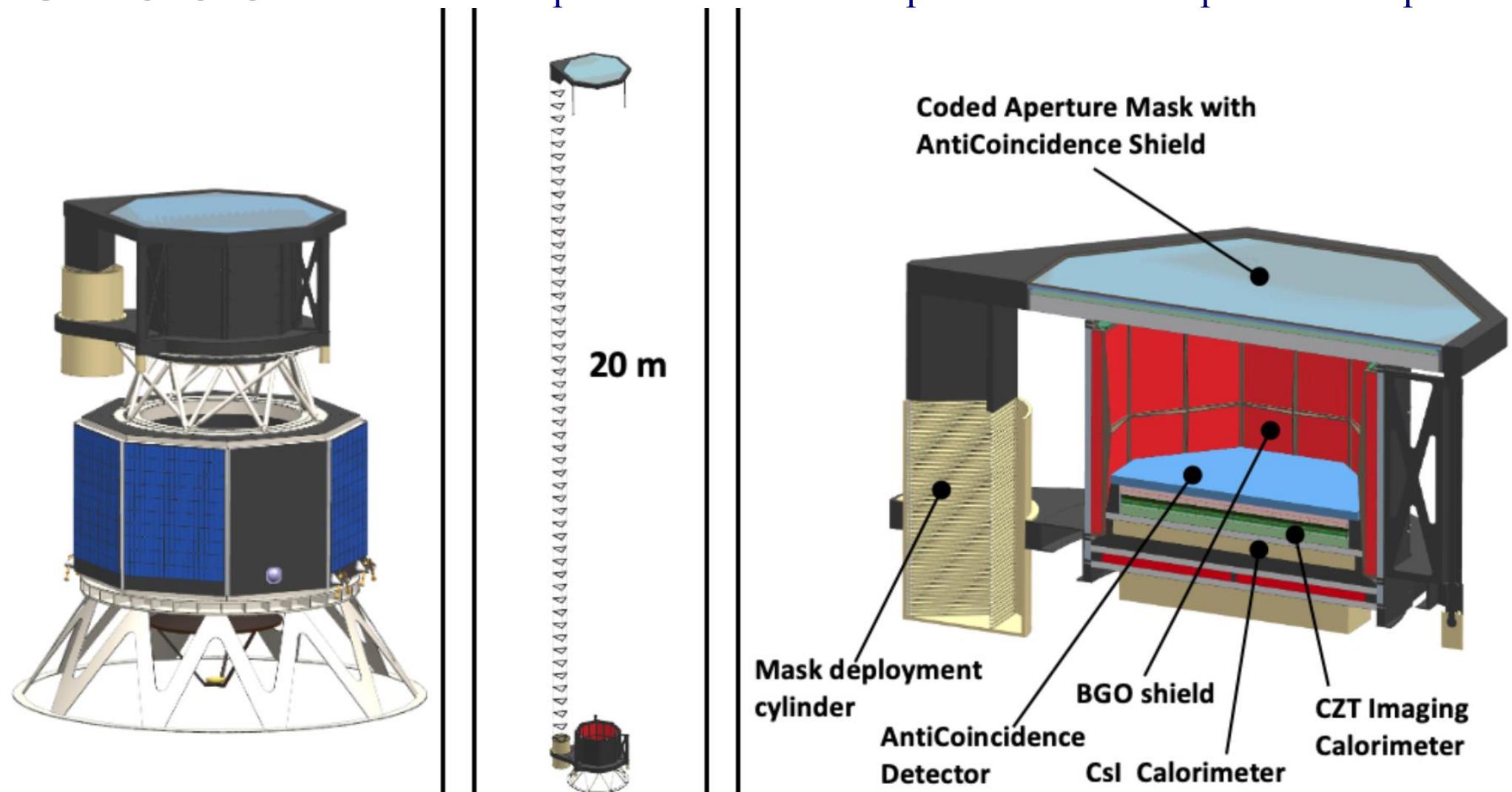
- COSI has been selected by NASA as a SMEX to launch in 2027
  - a Compton telescope for observing 0.2-5 MeV gamma-rays
1. Key capabilities
    - Uses cryogenically-cooled germanium detectors (GeDs) to provide energy resolution ( $\sim 1\%$ )
    - Instantaneous field of view is  $>25\%$ -sky and covers the whole sky every day
  - Goal D emphasizes the connection to gravitational waves
  - Detects short gamma-ray bursts (GRBs) from merging neutron stars
  - Localizations to  $\sim 1^\circ$  accuracy
  - Public alerts in  $< 1$  hour



# COSI



# GECCO The Galactic Explorer with a Coded Aperture Mask Compton Telescope



conceptual design

mask in stowed position

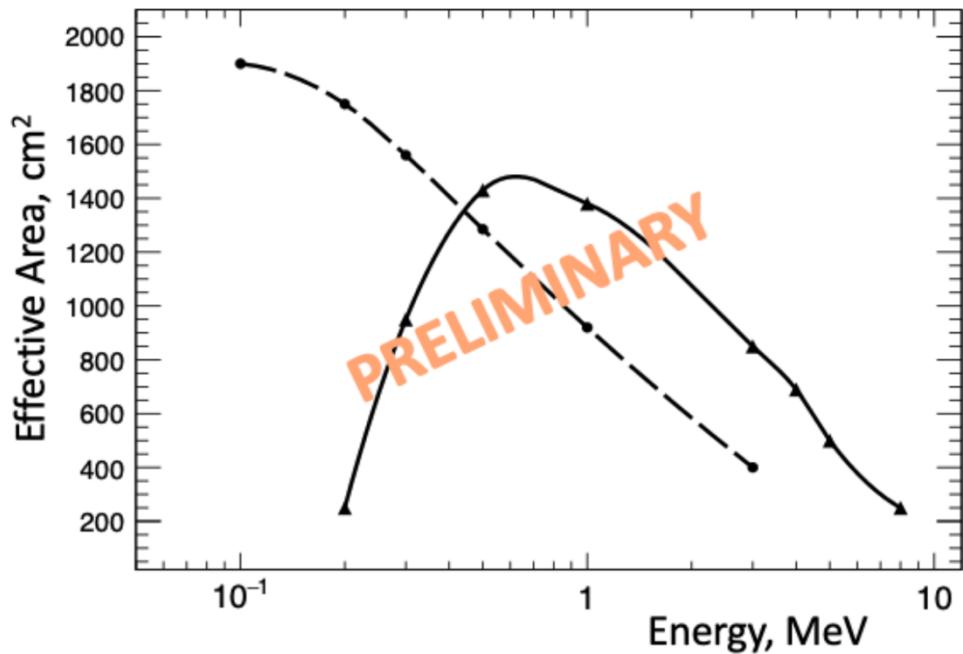
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diameter = 90 cm

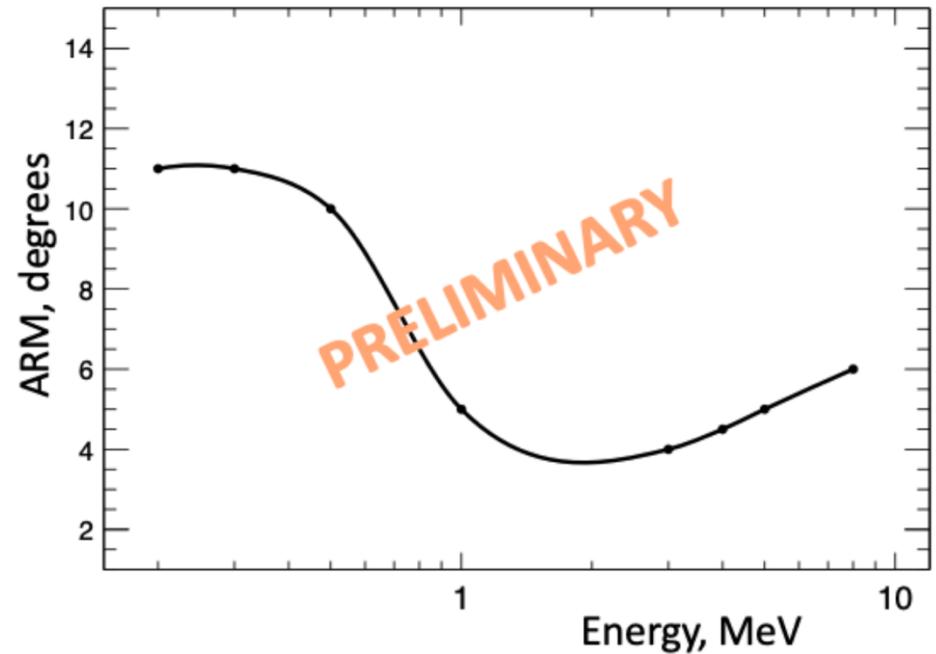


GECCO Team, JCAP07(2022)036 arXiv:2112.07190

# GECCO The Galactic Explorer with a Coded Aperture Mask Compton Telescope



effective area for the CA mask imaging; the solid line is for Compton pointing used, and the dashed line is for classical mask analysis.

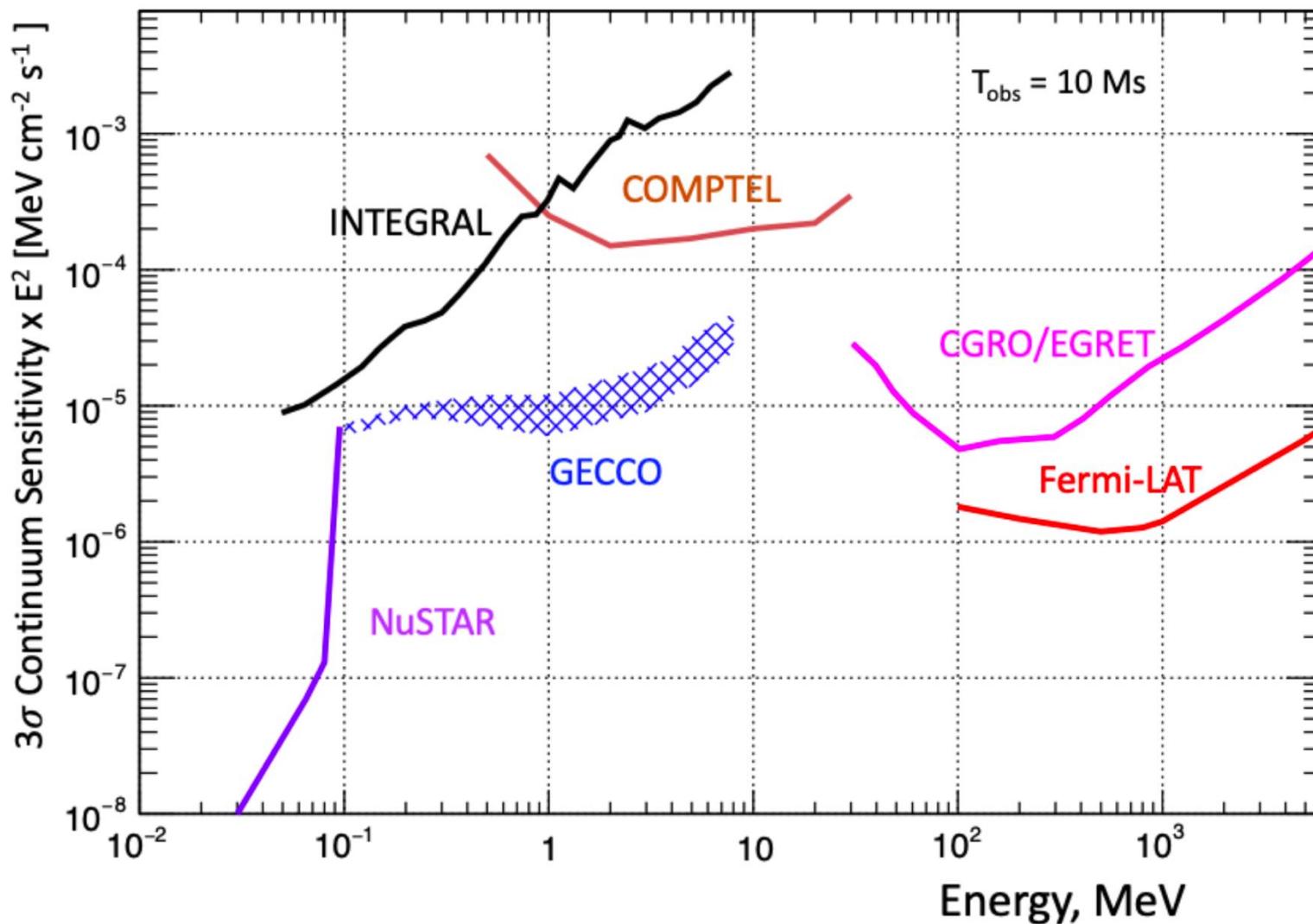


ARM (angular resolution measure) for the ImCal standalone Compton telescope.



GECCO Team, in preparation

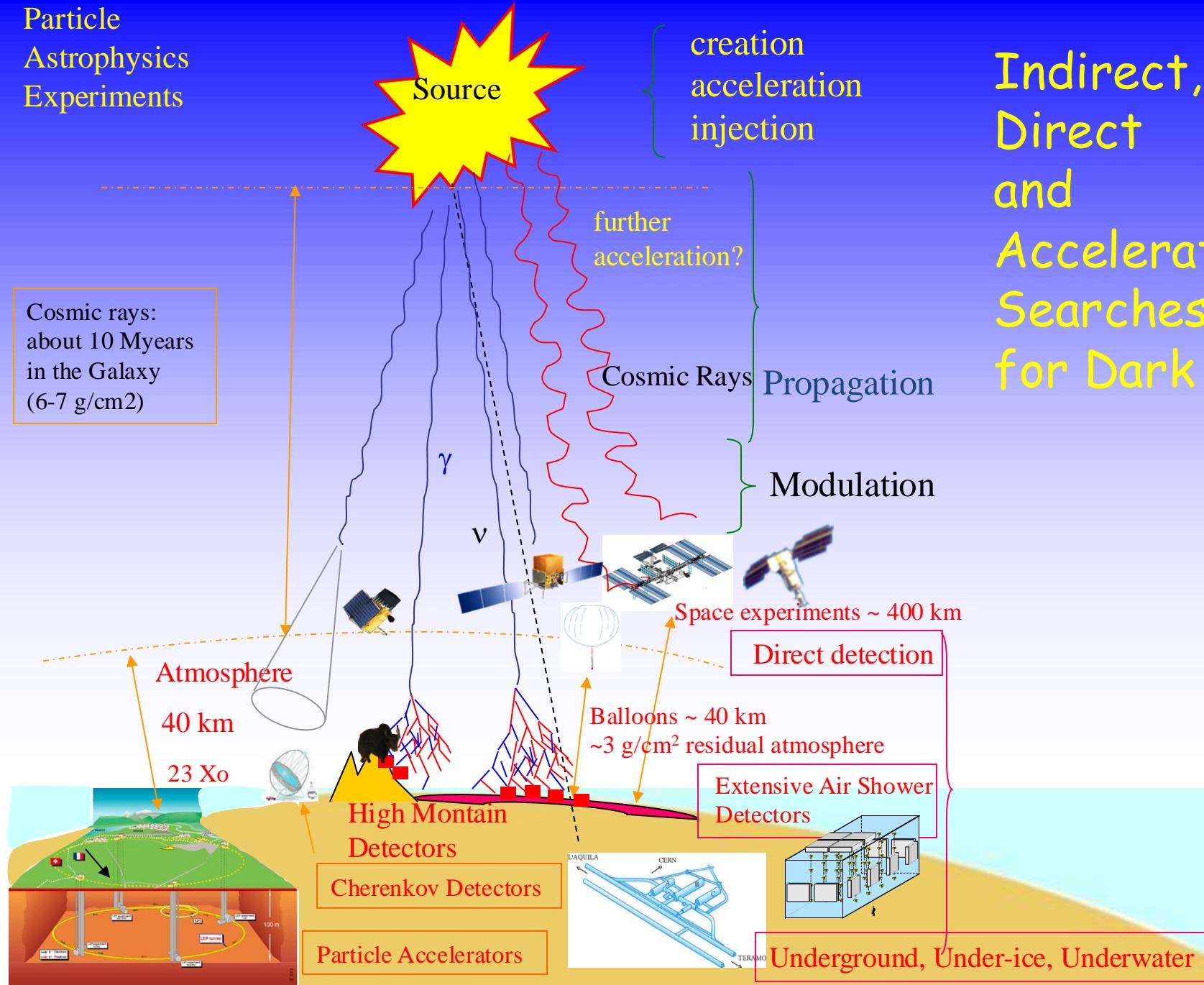
# GECCO The Galactic Explorer with a Coded Aperture Mask Compton Telescope Sensitivity



GECCO Team, JCAP07(2022)036 arXiv:2112.07190

# Summary

- Indirect search of Dark Matter with gamma rays is complementary to all other research in the underground laboratories and at LHC
- CTA, SWGO and LHAASO can explore the high -energy domain
- Fermi is still in orbit but we need a new mission with a focus in the low energy range ( below 100 MeV)
- We are preparing a new proposal to ESA for M8 mission



# Indirect, Direct and Accelerator Searches for Dark Matter

A.M.2019

# Particle Astrophysics Experiments

