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**Gamma rays  
to shed light  
on dark matter**

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# GAMMA-RAY ASTRONOMY

Part 2.

## A story of instruments

'Gamma rays to shed light on dark matter'

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# Program

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Small recap

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The family of experiments

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Satellites instruments

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Ground-based Instruments

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# Who am I



## Michele Doro

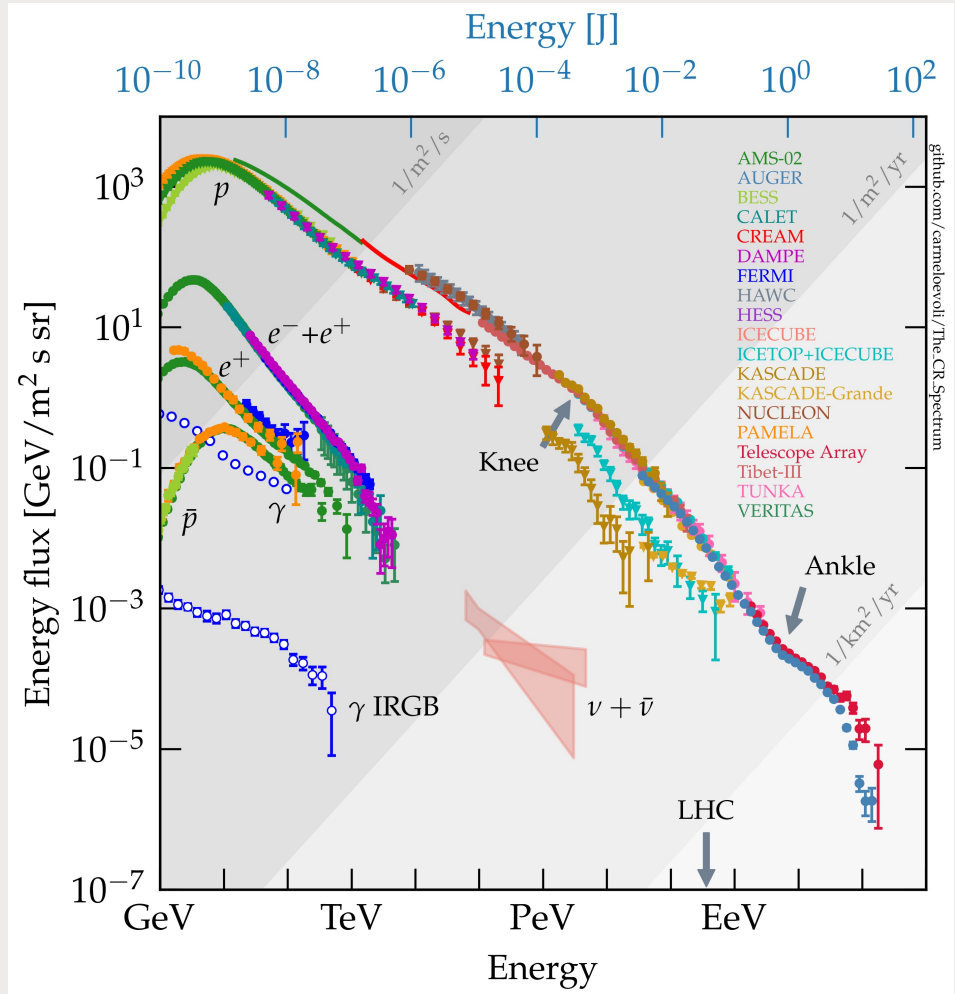
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MAGIC telescopes!



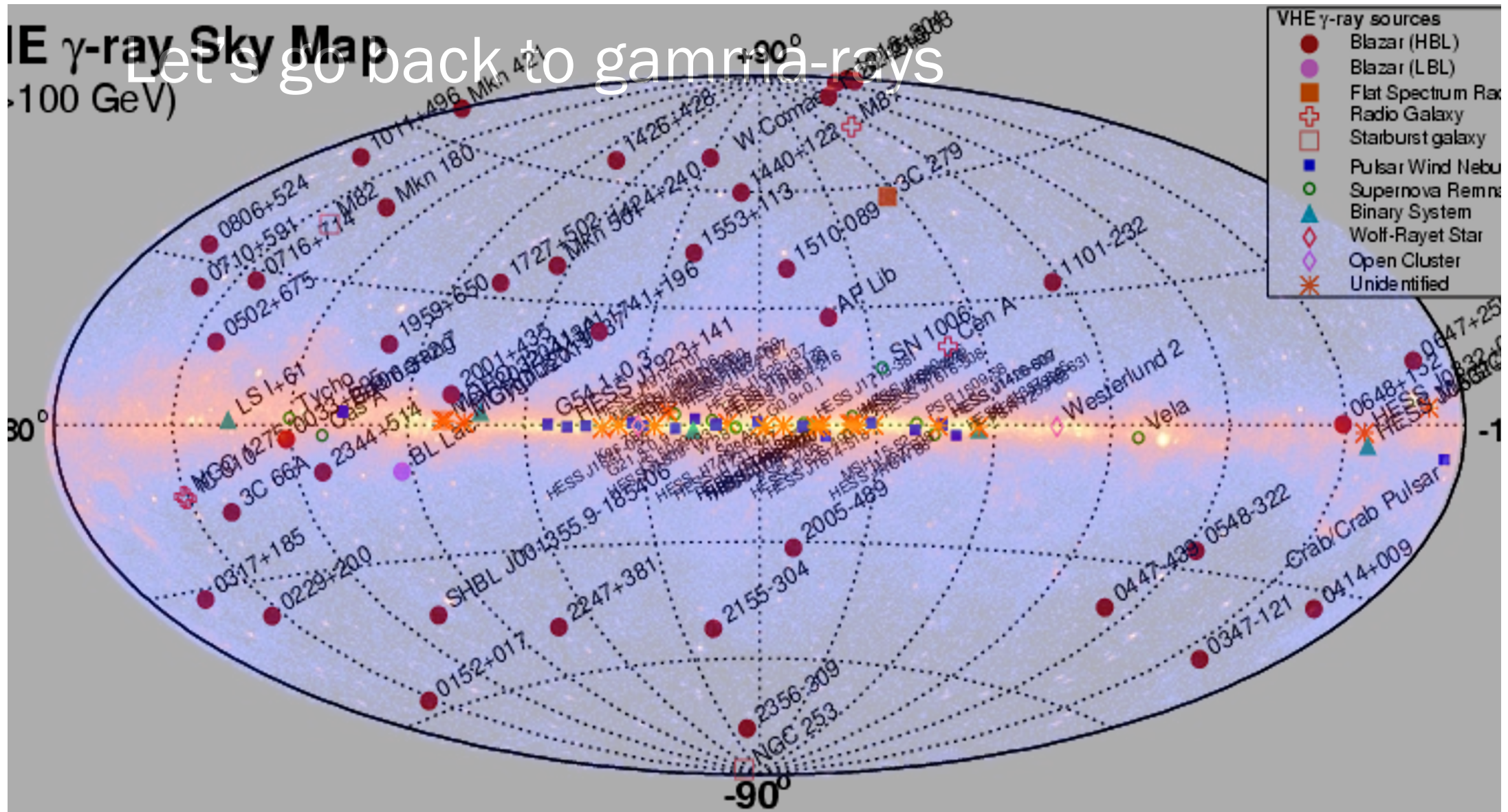
# The amazing cosmic ray spectrum



# HE γ-ray Sky Map

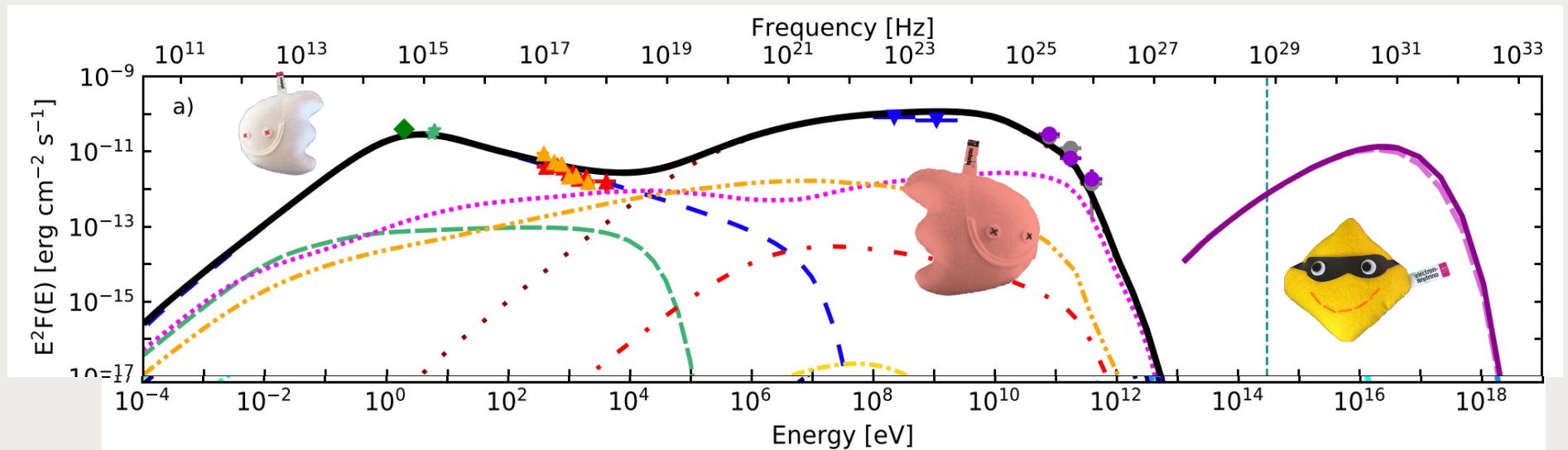
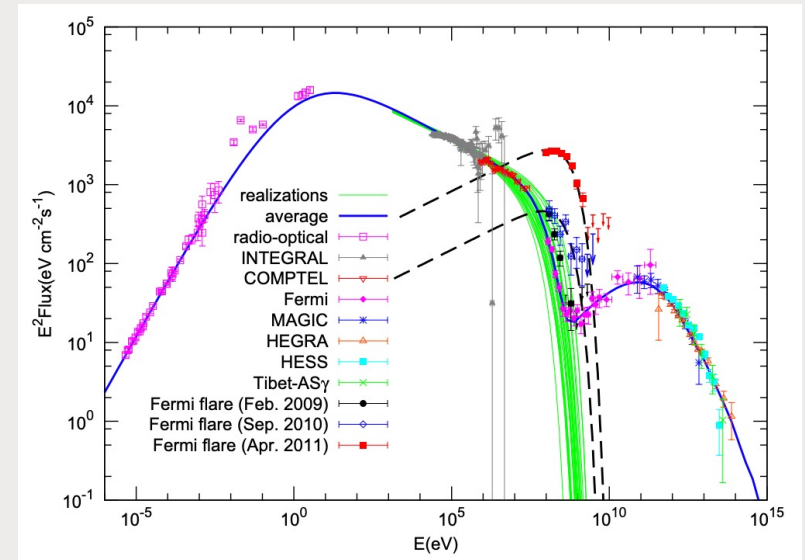
(>100 GeV)

Let's go back to gamma-rays

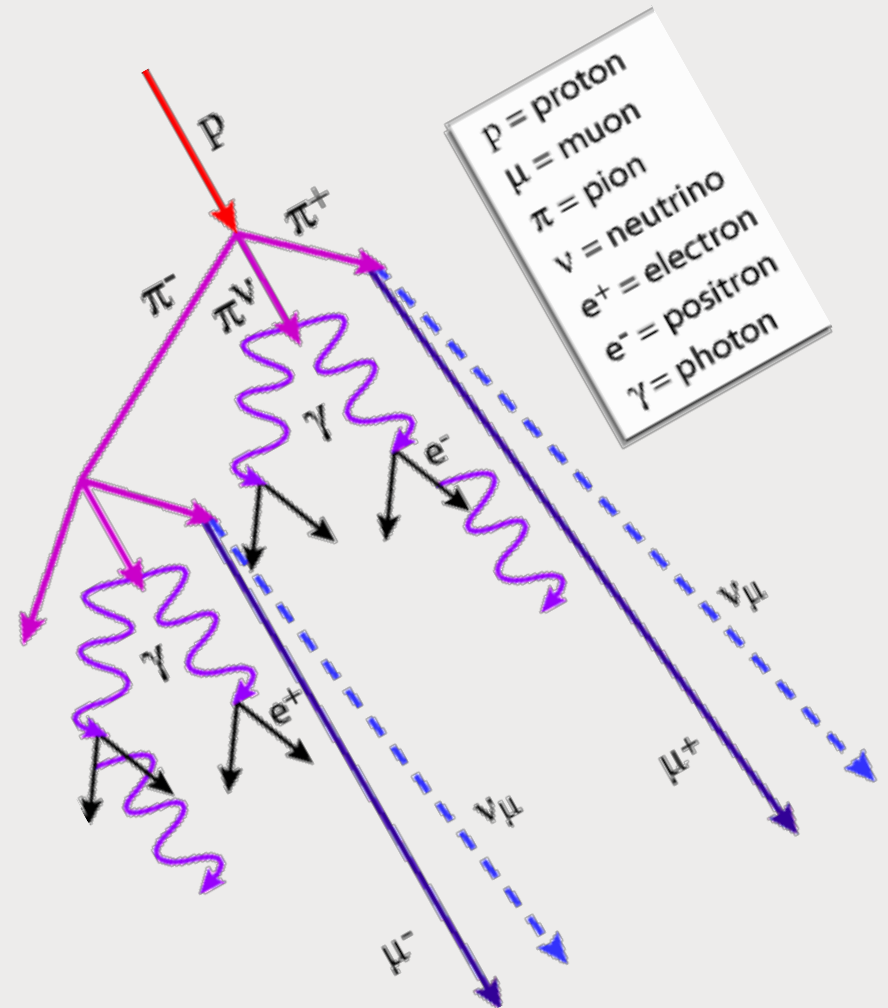
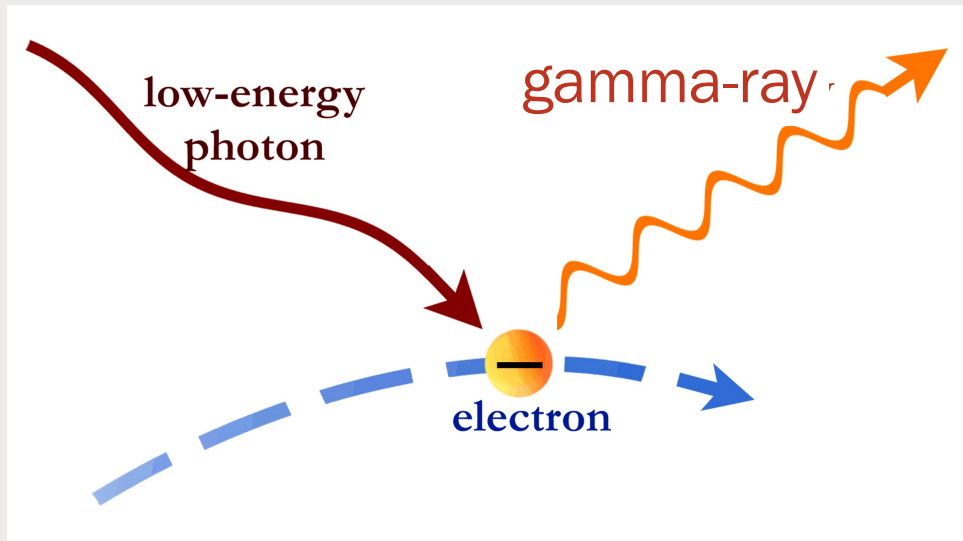


# Multi-w multi-m

- From radio to gamma
- From gamma to neutrinos



# Generate gamma-rays with leptons





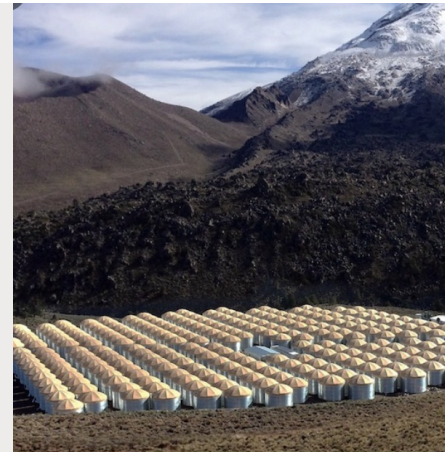
# Instruments/ How to detect gamma-rays



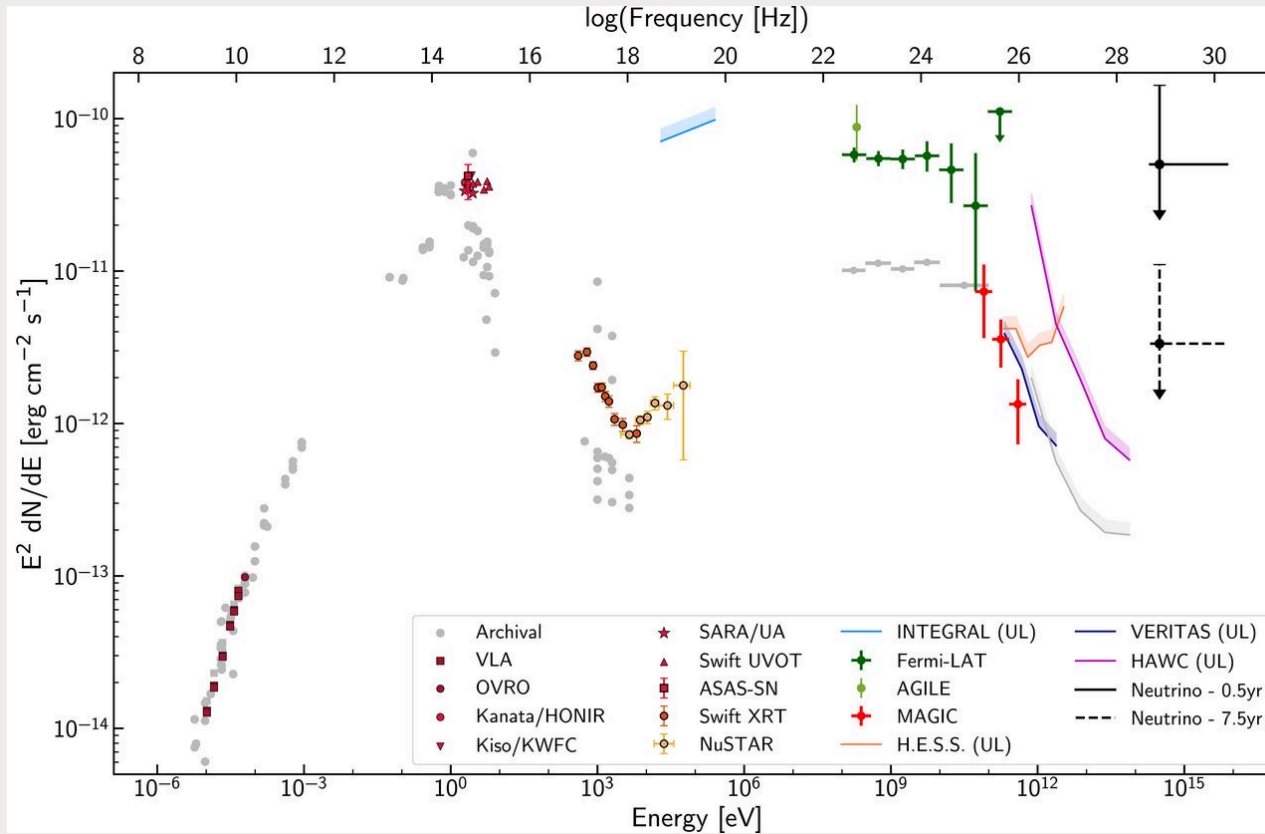
# Gamma Ray (Cosmic-ray) Nomenclature

	Range	Type	Detection mec.	Experiments
LE	< 30 MeV	Balloon	Compton Effect	
HE	30 MeV–30 GeV	Satellite	Calorimeter	EGRET, Fermi Agile, DAMPE+
VHE	100 GeV–30 TeV	Ground	Atm.–Cherenkov	Whipple, HEGRA (past) <b>MAGIC</b> , HESS, Veritas CTA+
UHE	30 TeV–30 PeV	Ground	Water–Cherenkov	Milagro HAWC, +
EHE	> 30 PeV	Ground	Atm. Fluorescence	Hires, Auger TA

**Table 1.1:** Classification of  $\gamma$ -ray astronomy. The energy range, the main type of detector and the principal physical detection mechanism are reported, together with the principal experiments.



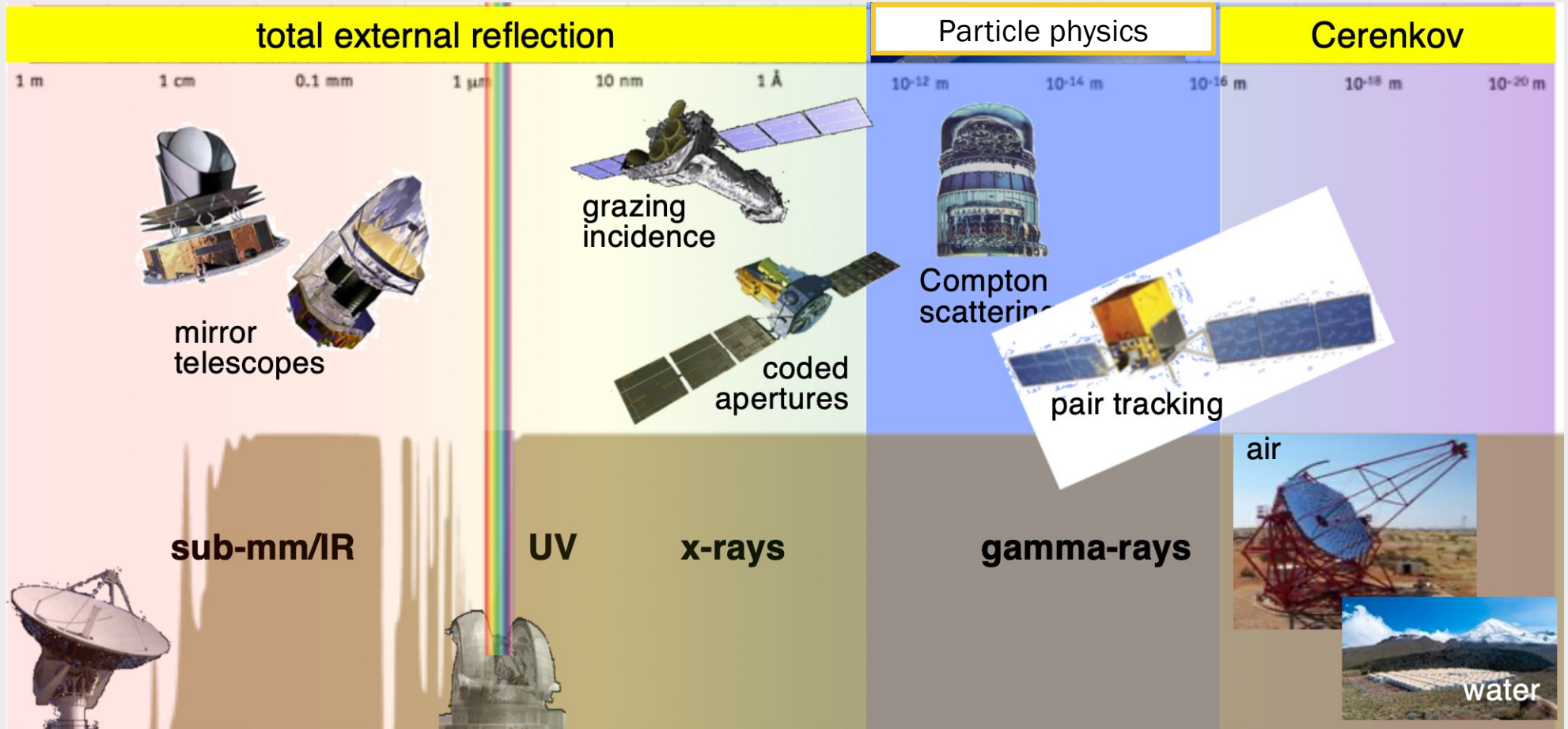
# Single instrument?



Gamma ray spectra with photon index -2 to -5

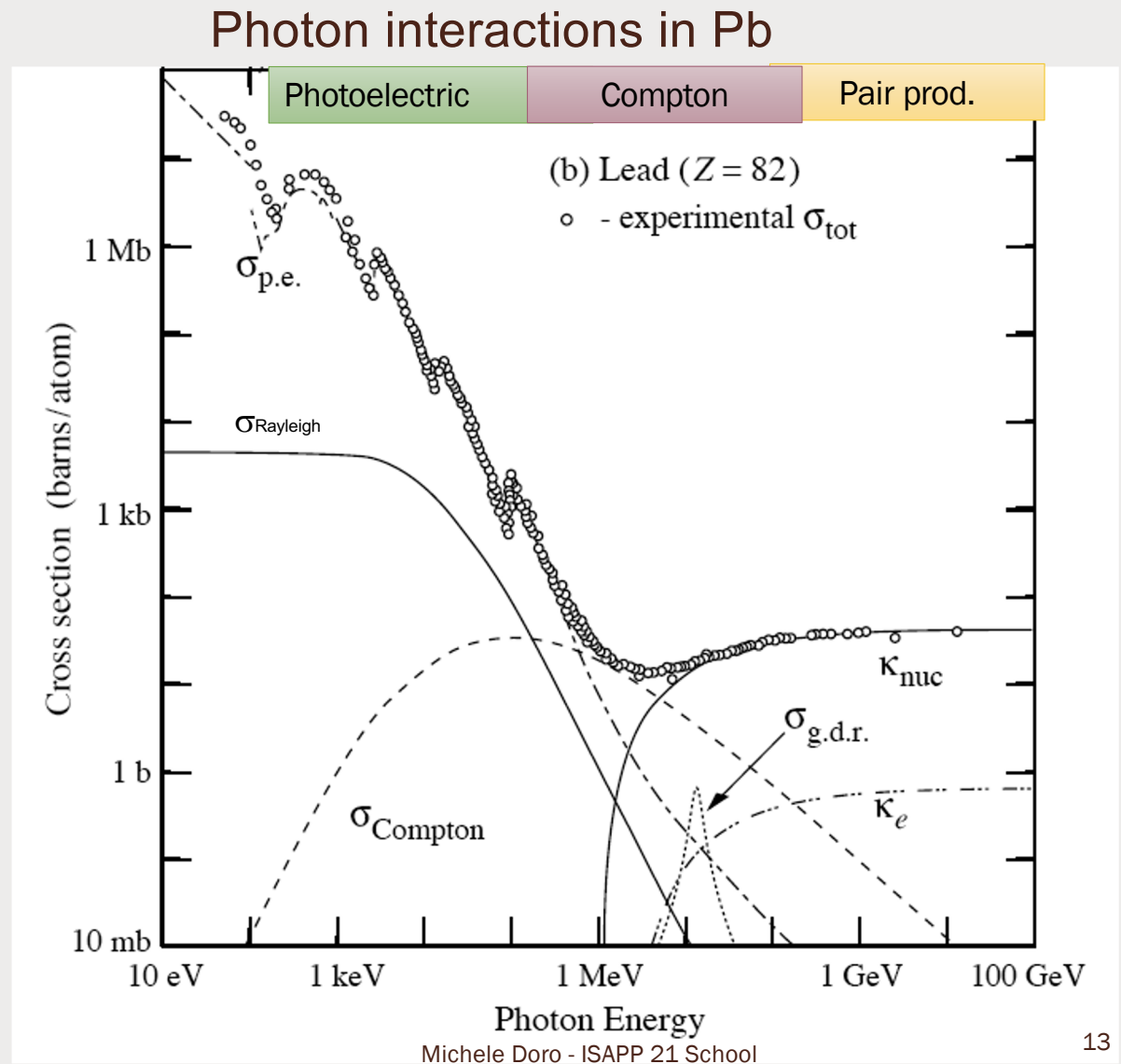


# There is no gamma-ray “reflection”



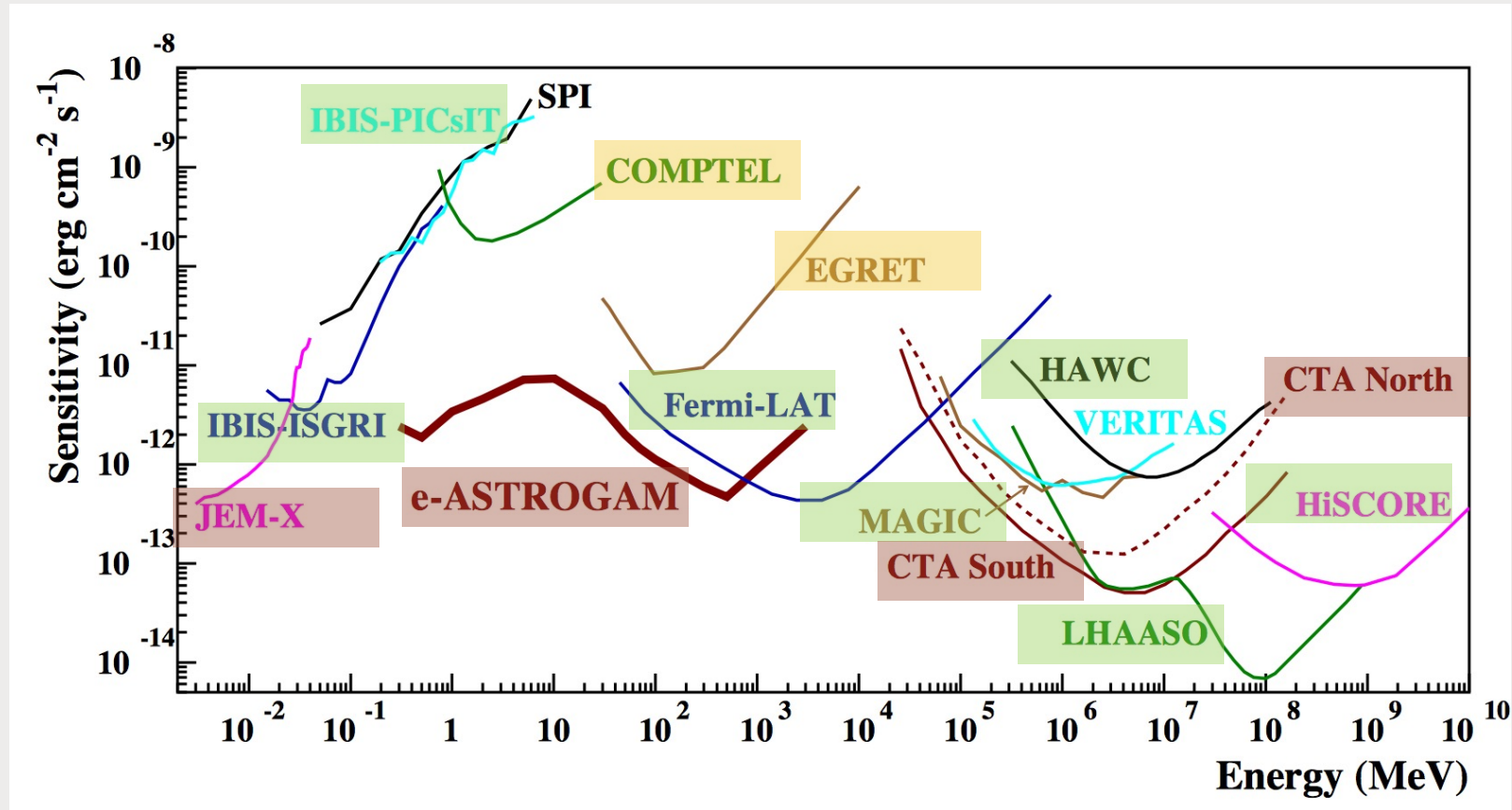
# Detection

- Gamma rays cannot be reflected, and thus not concentrated (they interact with nuclei)
- The dominant interaction depends on the energy of the gamma ray



# Comparing experiments

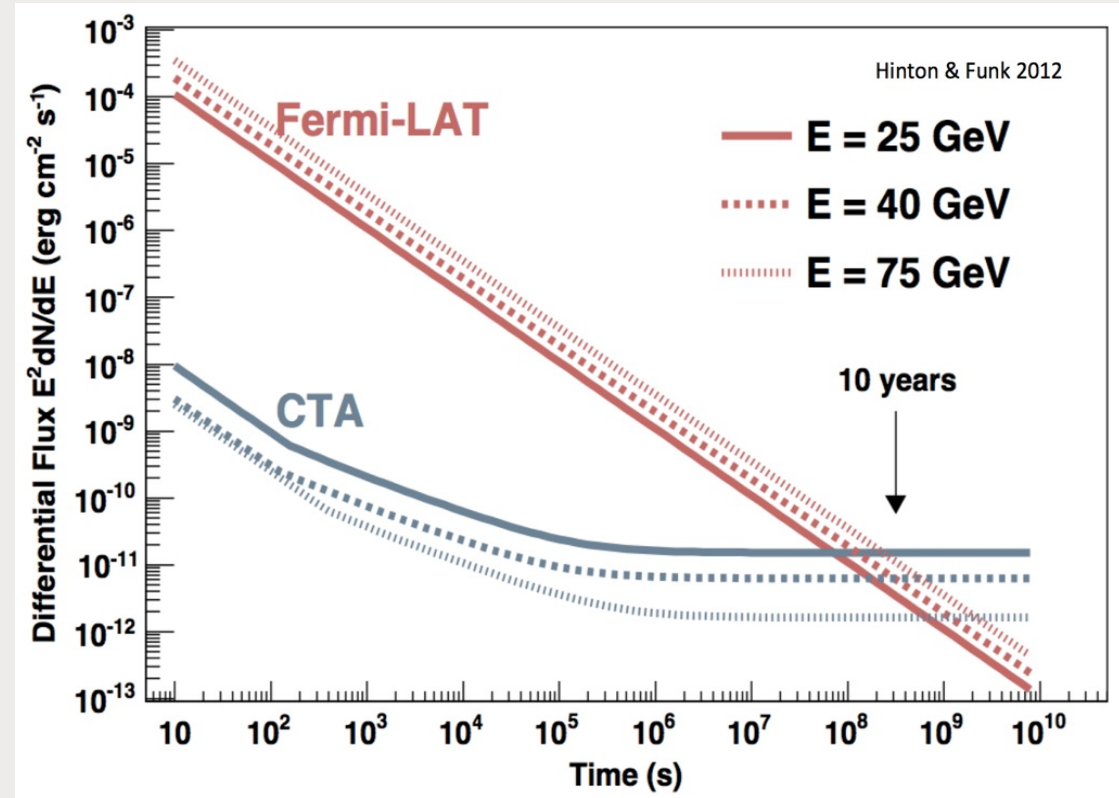
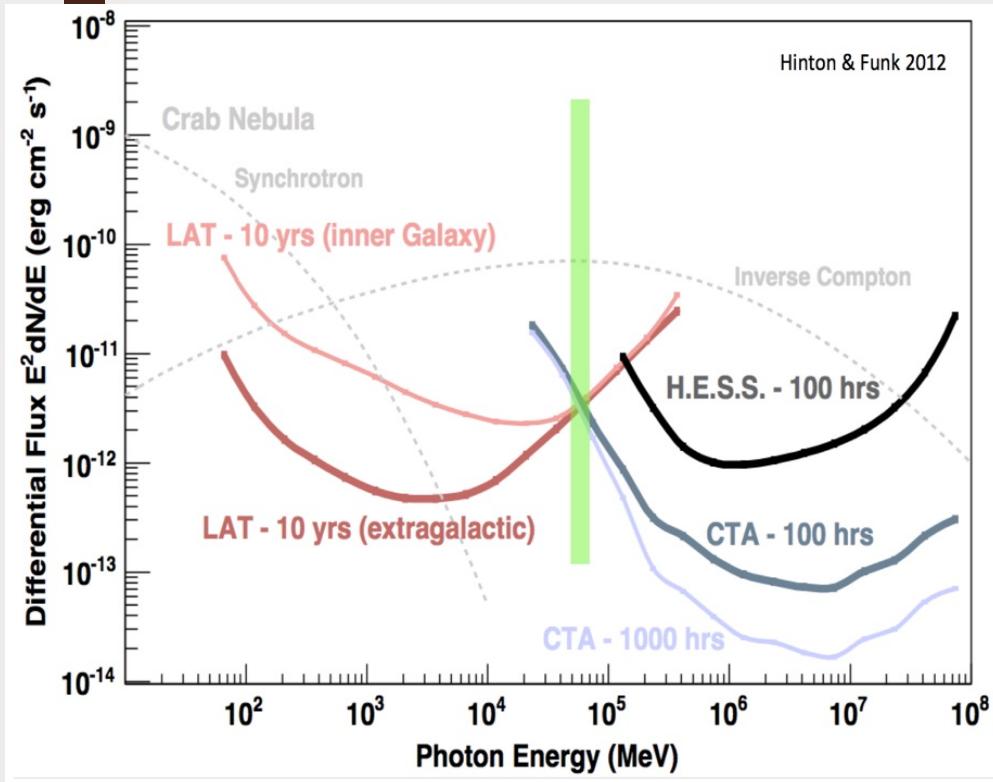
Plot from <https://arxiv.org/abs/1611.02232>



- Past
- Present
- Future

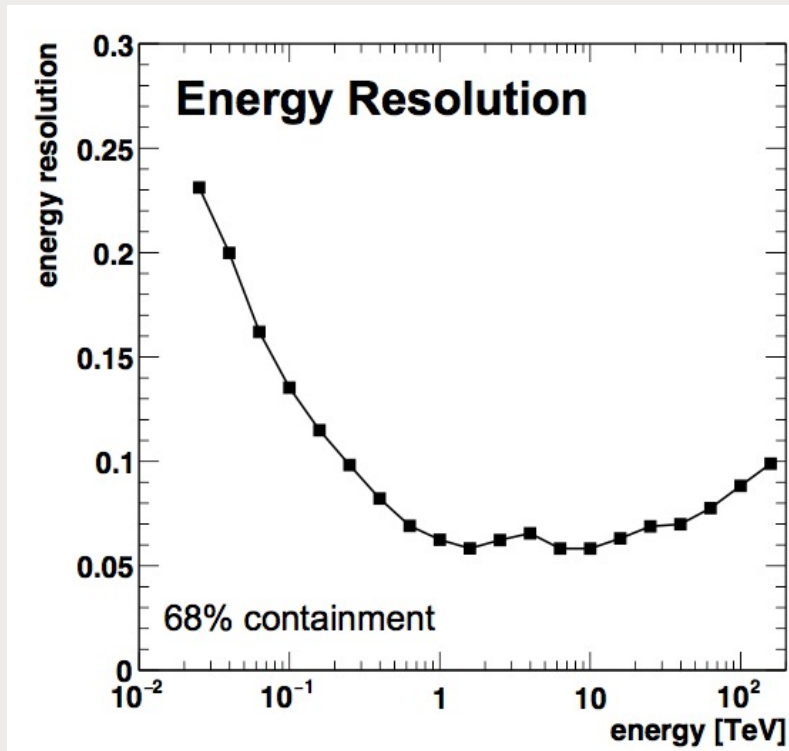
Sensitivity is not the only thing that matters

# Steady and transient sensitivity

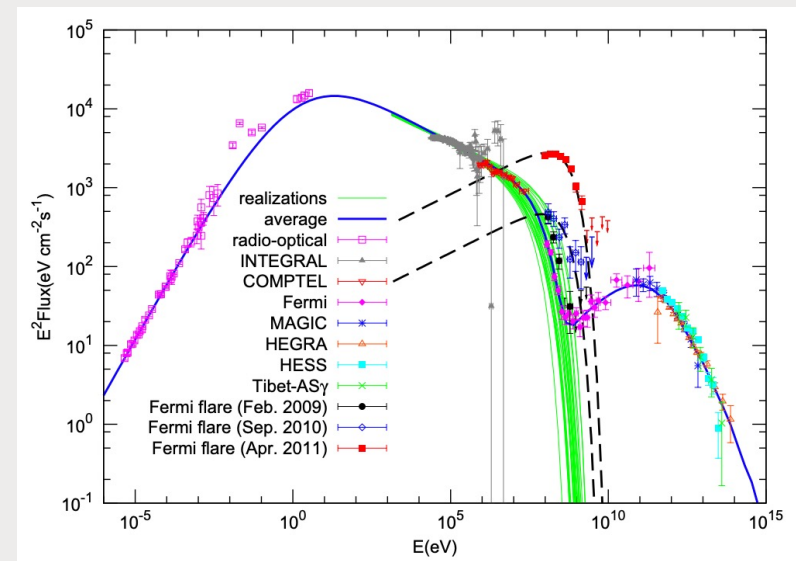


● Sensitivity is defined for INTEGRATION TIME

# Energy resolution

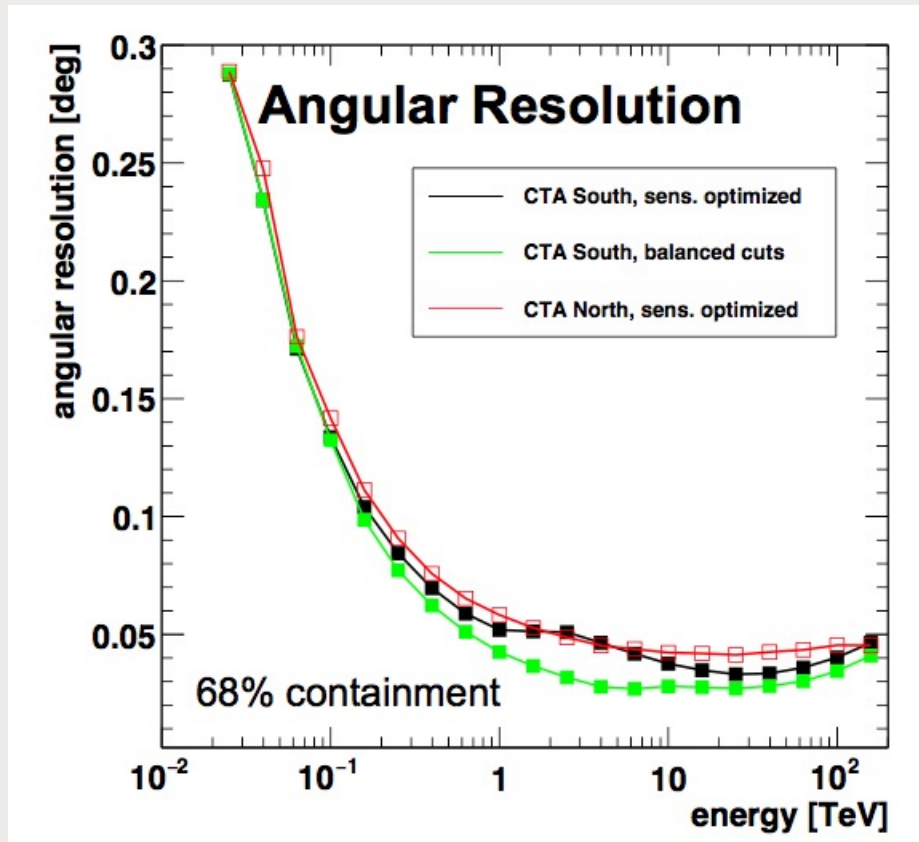


- The ability to discriminate between photon of similar energies
- Very important for spectral shape

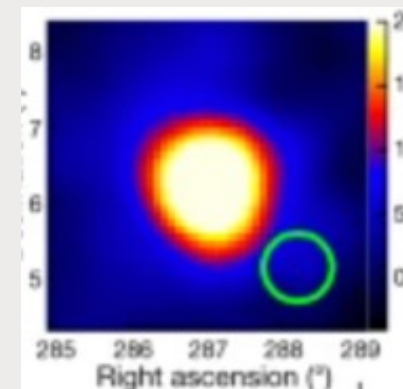




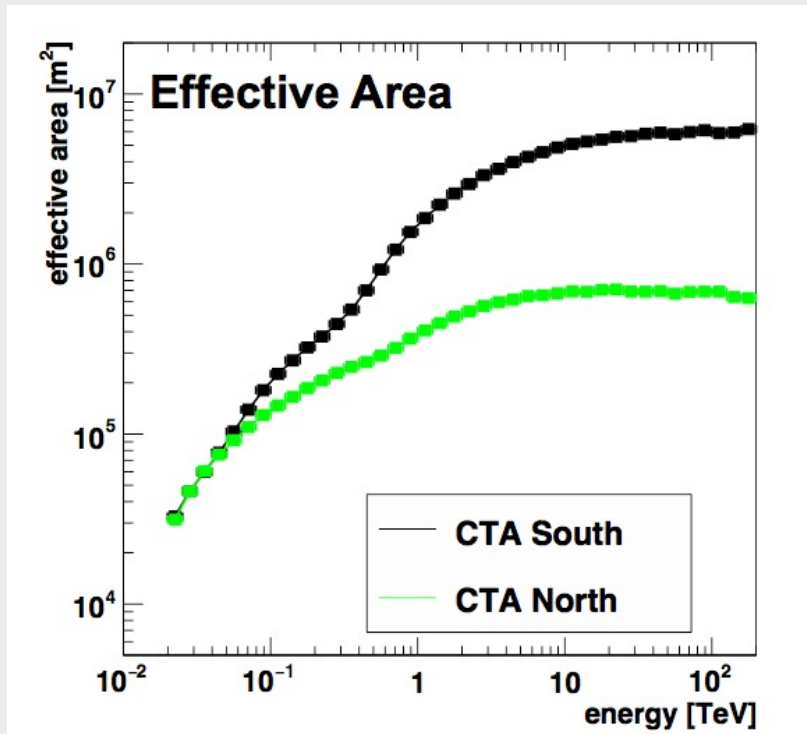
# Angular resolution



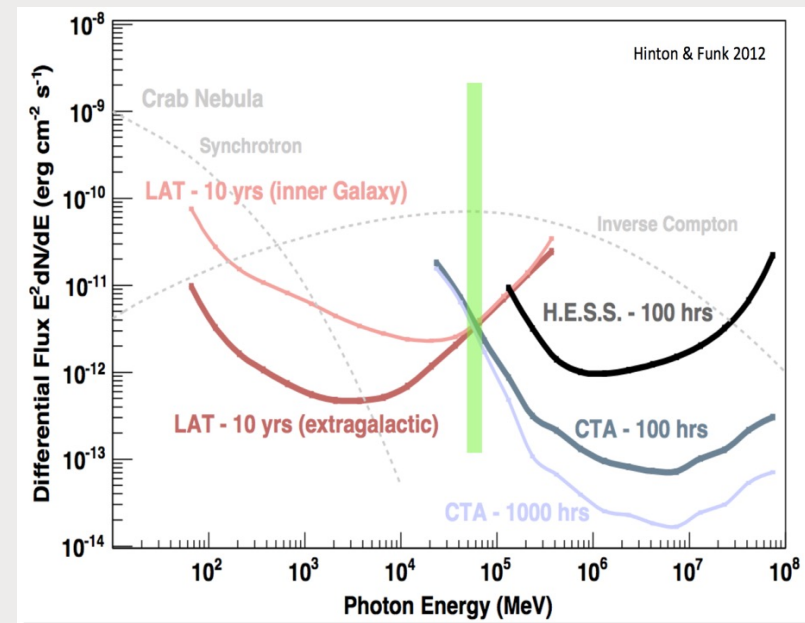
- The ability to discriminate photons from close angular distance
- Very important for morphology
- Objects smaller than minimum angular resolution are not resolved as extended...



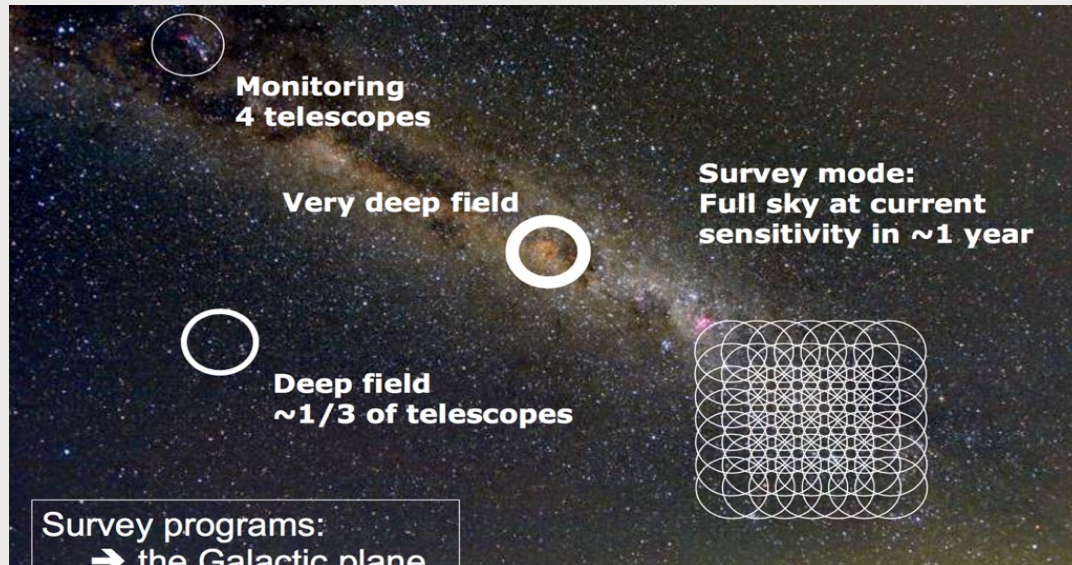
# Ingredients to discovery



- The acceptance to photons of different energies is not the same



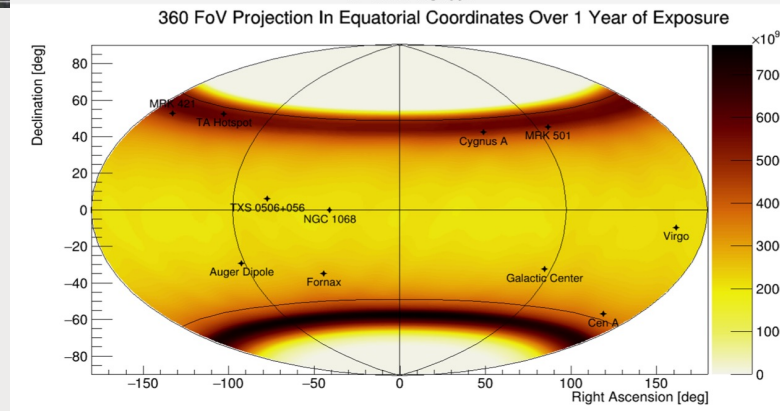
# Field of view



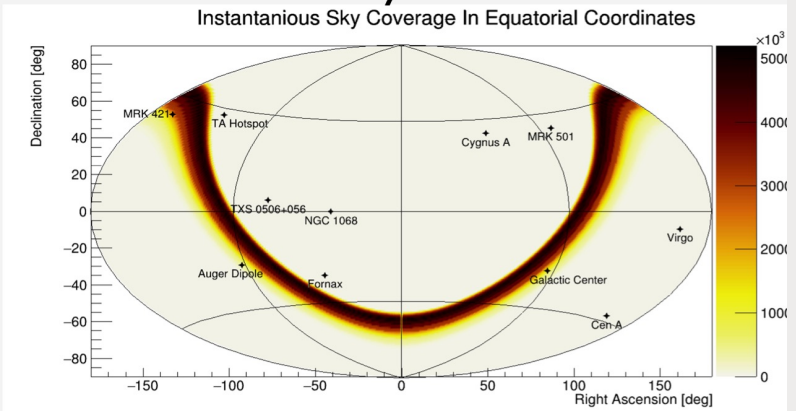
Survey programs:  
 → the Galactic plane  
 → a quarter of the sky

- How large a sky fraction can be observed
  - *In a shot*
  - *In a night*
  - *In a year*

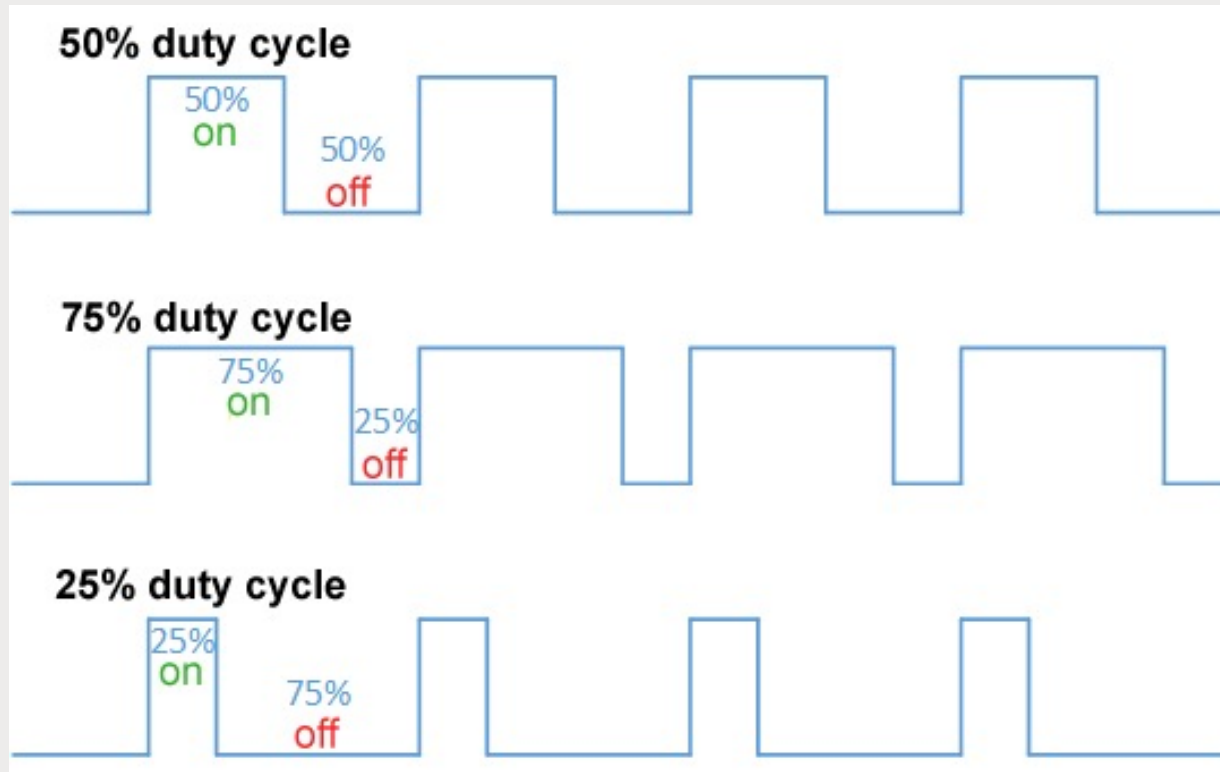
Annual



Daily



# Duty cycle



- Some instruments work during
  - *Moonless Night*
  - *Night*
  - *All-day*
- Duty cycle from 1000h/year to 9000h/year

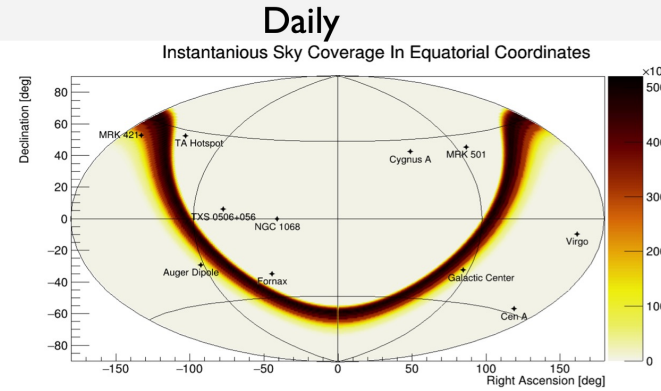
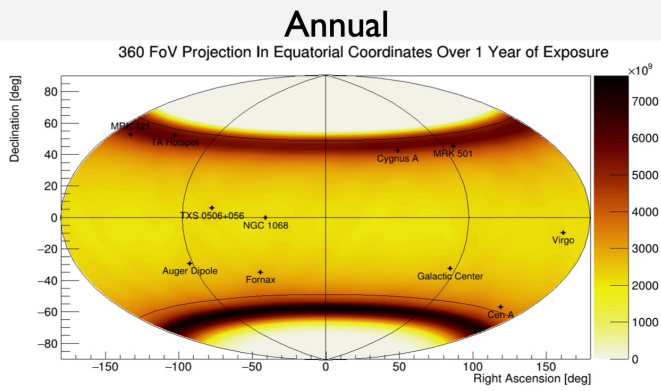
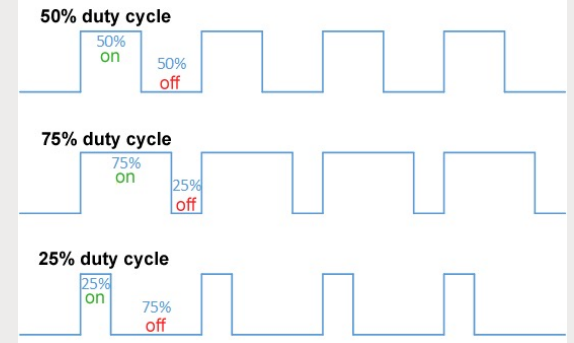
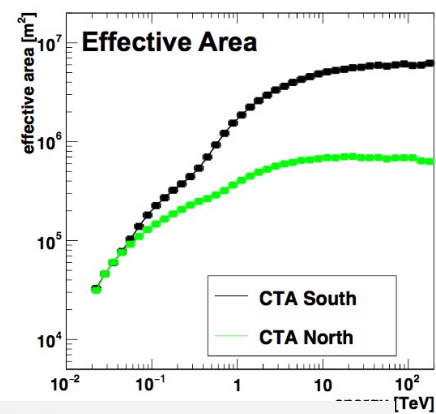
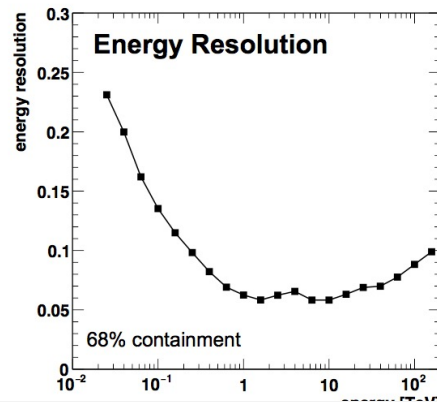
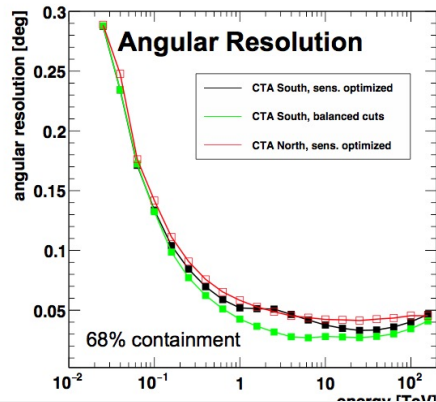
# Other very interesting things to check



- Data
  - *Are the data public/available?*
  - *Are data available with what delay?*
- Software
  - *Is there any instrument related software?*
  - *Is there a general astro-software?*
- Science
  - *Is there a guest observer program?*

Do I have all the experimental knowledge to make a data reconstruction?

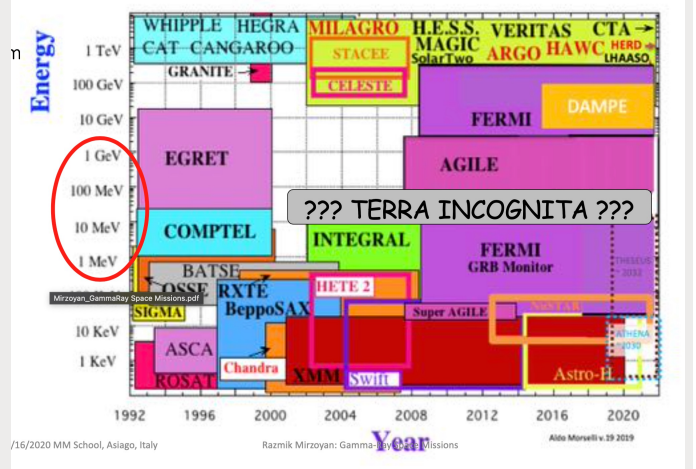
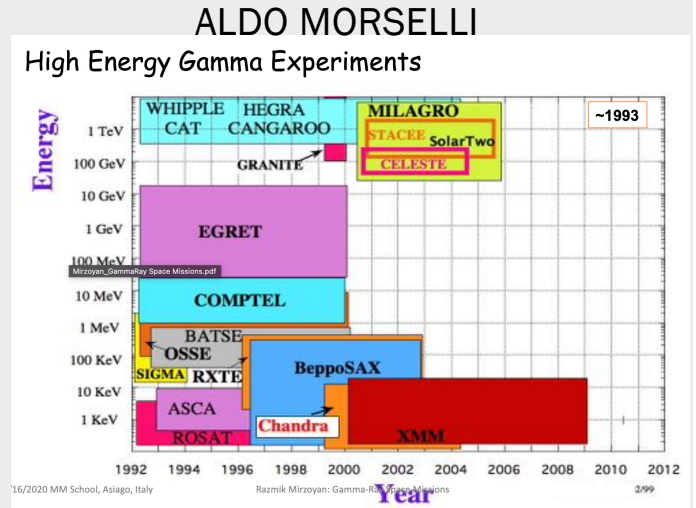
# Ingredients to discovery



# Many, so many, too many?



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# Still useful



PHYSICAL REVIEW LETTERS **122**, 041104 (2019)

## ***Voyager 1* $e^\pm$ Further Constrain Primordial Black Holes as Dark Matter**

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Primordial black holes (PBHs) with a mass  $M \lesssim 10^{17}$  g are expected to inject sub-GeV electrons and positrons in the Galaxy via Hawking radiation. These cosmic rays are shielded by the solar magnetic field for Earth-bound detectors, but not for *Voyager 1*, which is now beyond the heliopause. We use its data to constrain the fraction of PBHs to the dark matter in the Galaxy, finding that PBHs with  $M < 10^{16}$  g cannot contribute more than 0.1% (or less for a log-normal mass distribution). Our limits are based on local Galactic measurements and are thus complementary to those derived from cosmological observations.

DOI: [10.1103/PhysRevLett.122.041104](https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevLett.122.041104)

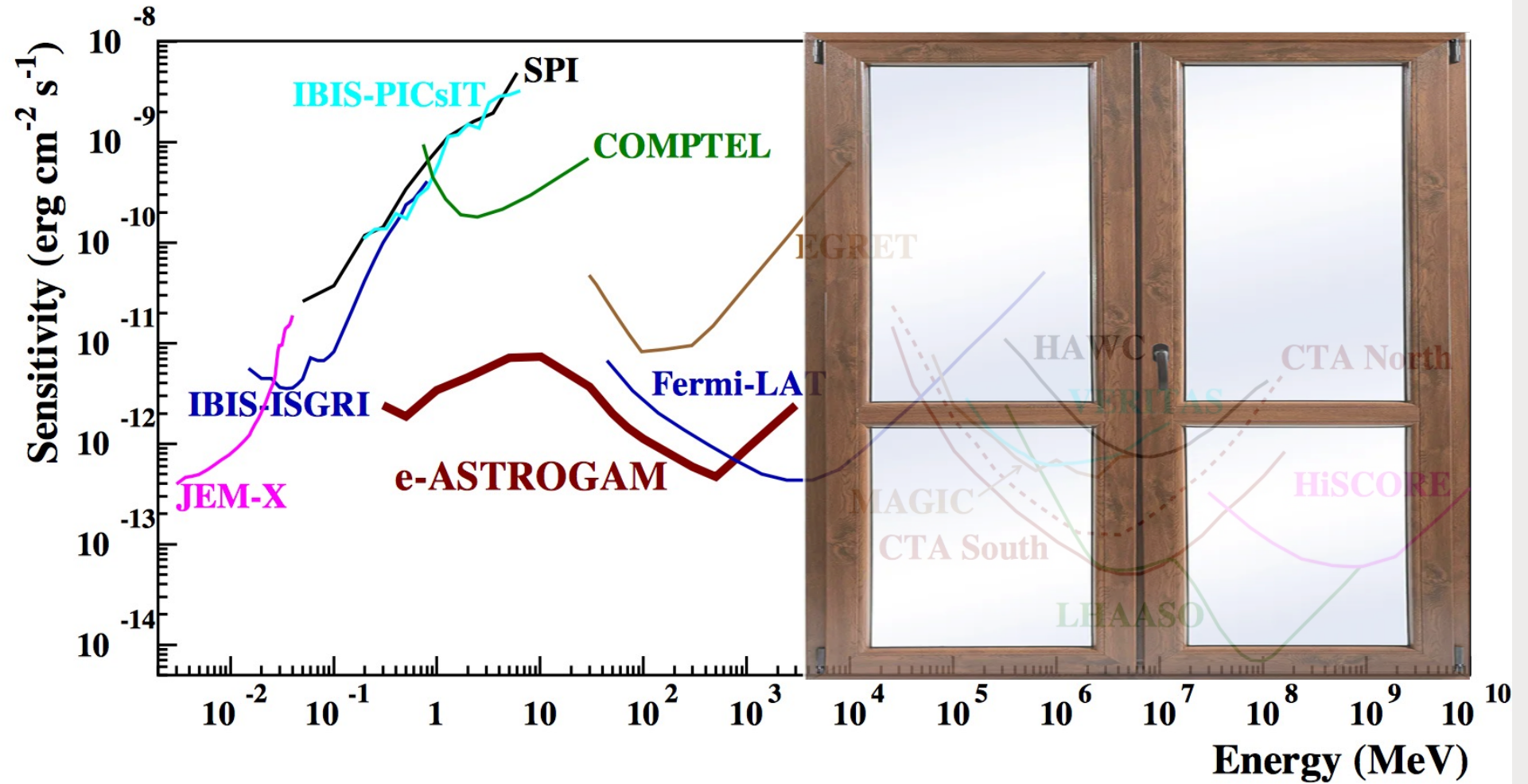




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CODED MASKS AND  
COMPTON

# Where are we



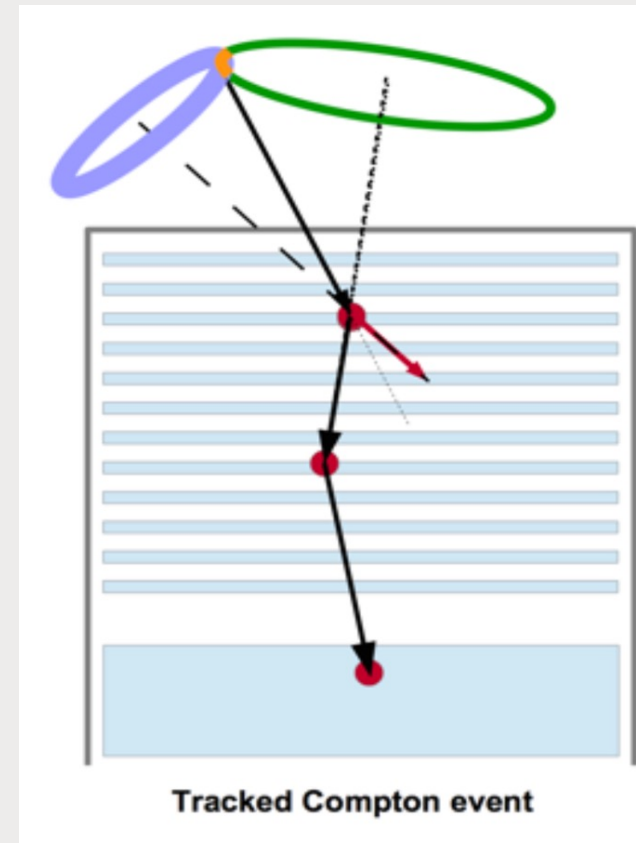
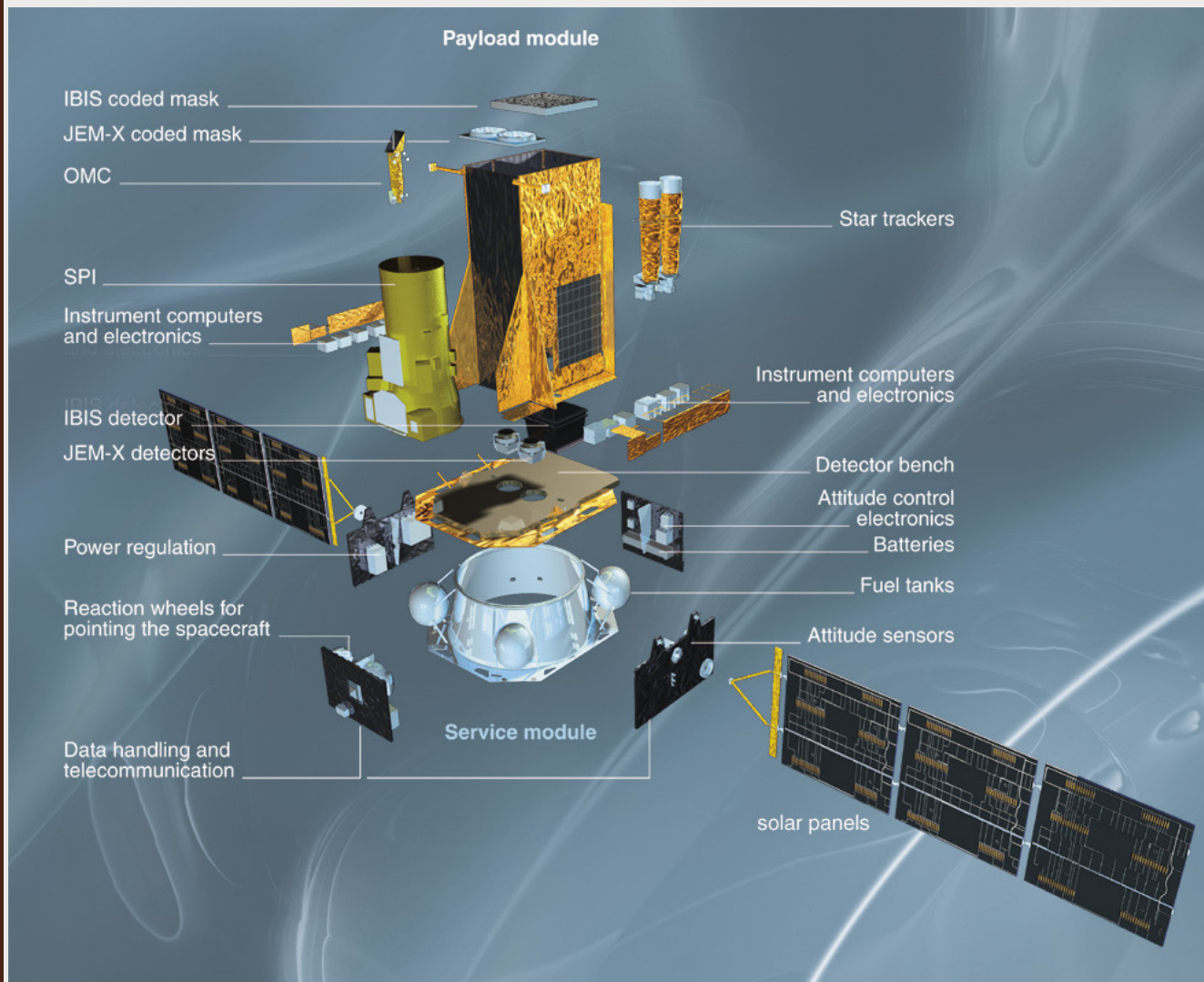
# INTEGRAL



- INTEGRAL is dedicated to the fine spectroscopy ( $E/\Delta E = 500$ ) and fine imaging (angular resolution: 12 arcmin FWHM) of celestial gamma-ray sources in the energy range 15 keV to 10 MeV
- The INTEGRAL payload consists of the two main gamma-ray instruments
  - *the spectrometer SPI*,
  - *the imager IBIS*
- INTEGRAL was launched on October 17, 2002

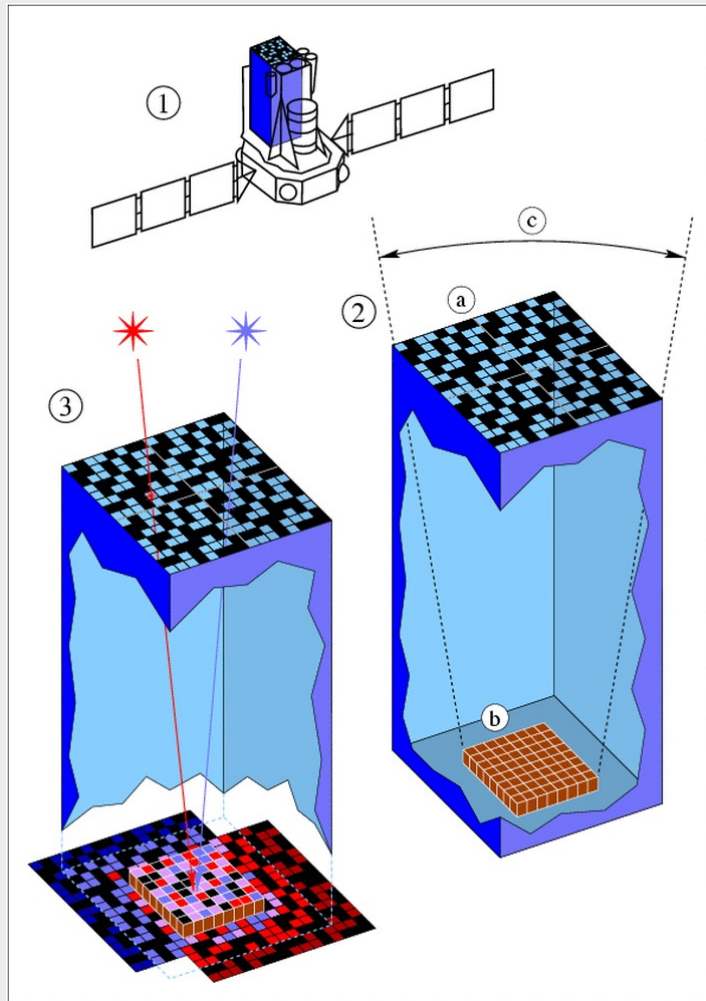
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# Integral



# Coded mask

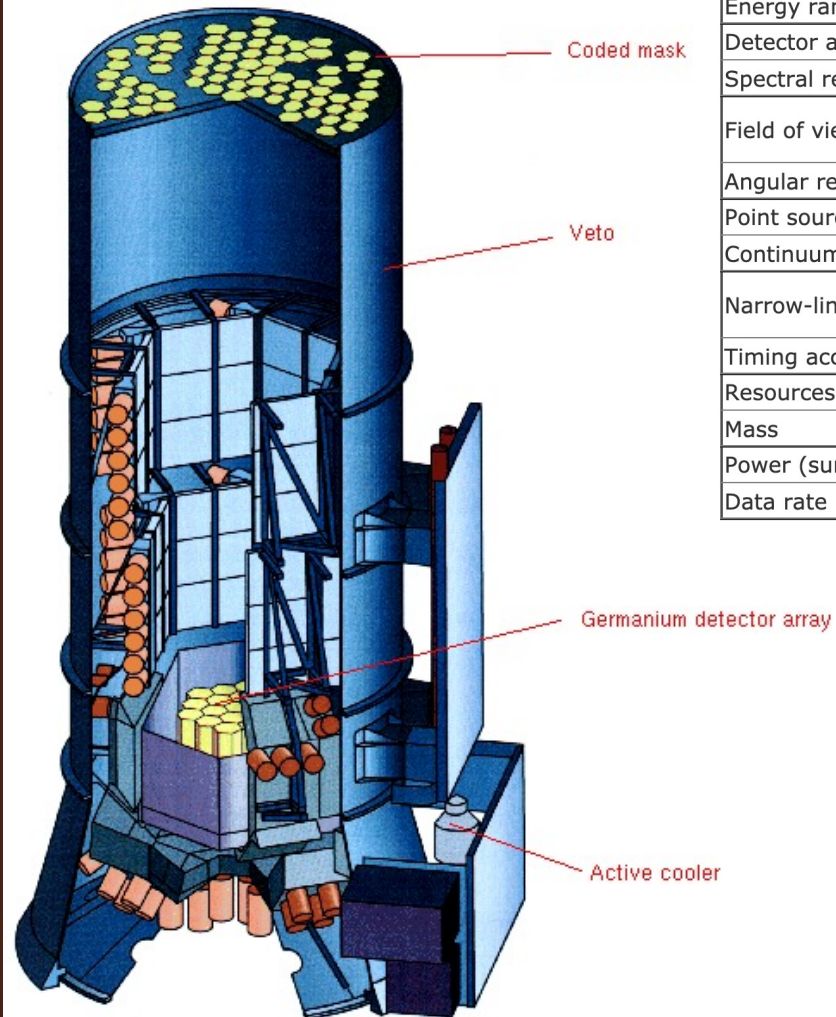
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- Allows imaging and separating and locating sources.
- provides near-perfect background subtraction, the detector pixels can be considered to be split into two intermingled subsets,
  - those capable of viewing the source and
  - those for which the flux is blocked by opaque mask elements.
- The shift of each projection encodes the position of the corresponding point source in the sky;
- the 'strength' of each projection encodes the intensity of the point source

[https://personal.sron.nl/~jeanz/cai/coded\\_intr.html](https://personal.sron.nl/~jeanz/cai/coded_intr.html)

# SPI

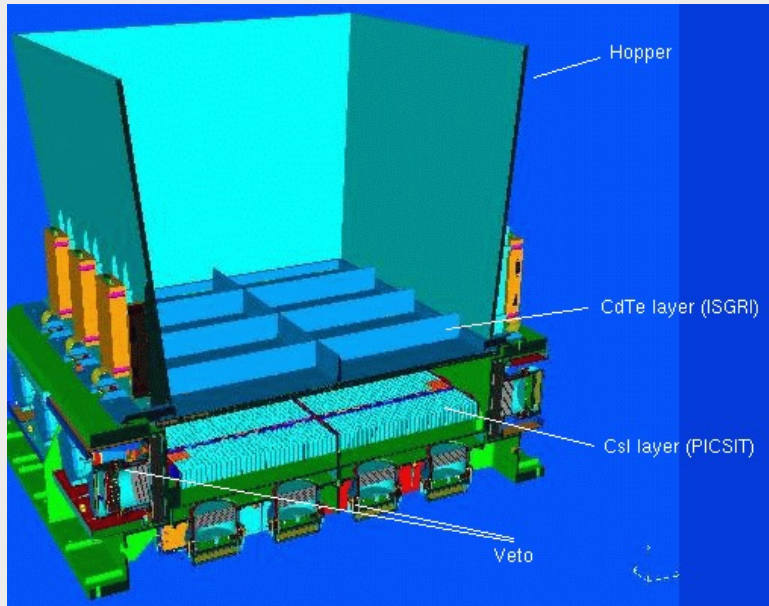


## OVERVIEW OF SCIENTIFIC CAPABILITIES OF SPI

Energy range	18 keV - 8 MeV
Detector area	500 cm <sup>2</sup> (Ge - Germanium)
Spectral resolution	2.2 keV FWHM @ 1.33 MeV; E/ΔE=~450, for each detector
Field of view	fully coded: 14° flat to flat, 16° corner to corner zero coding (zero sensitivity): 32° flat to flat, 35° corner to corner
Angular resolution (point sources)	2.5° deg (FWHM)
Point source positioning	<1.3° for point sources (depending on point source intensity)
Continuum sensitivity*	8.8e-4 ph/(s cm <sup>2</sup> MeV) [3σ in 10e6 s, @ 1 MeV, ΔE = E/2]
Narrow-line sensitivity*	2.4e-5 ph/(s cm <sup>2</sup> [3σ in 10e6 s, @ 1 MeV] 4.6e-5 ph/(s cm <sup>2</sup> [3σ in 10e6 s, @ 511 keV]
Timing accuracy (3σ)	0.129 ms
Resources (following EID-A allocation):	
Mass	1309 kg
Power (sun/eclipse)	385/110 W
Data rate	45 kbps

- SPI (SPECTrometer on INTEGRAL)
  - 18 keV - 8 MeV energy range with an energy resolution of 2.2 keV (FWHM)
  - array of 19 hexagonal high purity Germanium
  - A hexagonal coded aperture mask is located 1.7 m above the detection plane in order to image large regions of the sky (fully coded field of view = 16°) with an angular resolution of 2.5

# IBIS

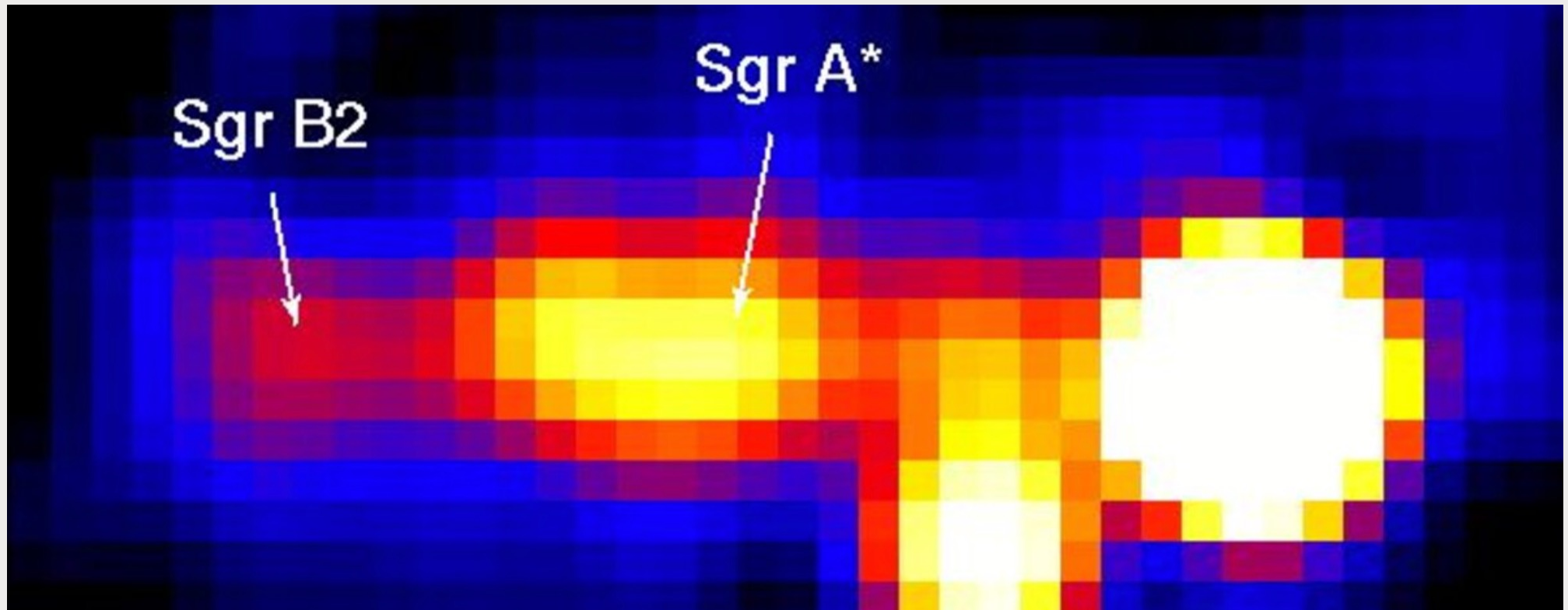


- IBIS, the Imager on Board the INTEGRAL Satellite
- 15 keV and 10 MeV.
- The total field of view (down to zero response) is  $29.1^\circ \times 29.4^\circ$ ,

## OVERVIEW OF SCIENTIFIC CAPABILITIES OF IBIS

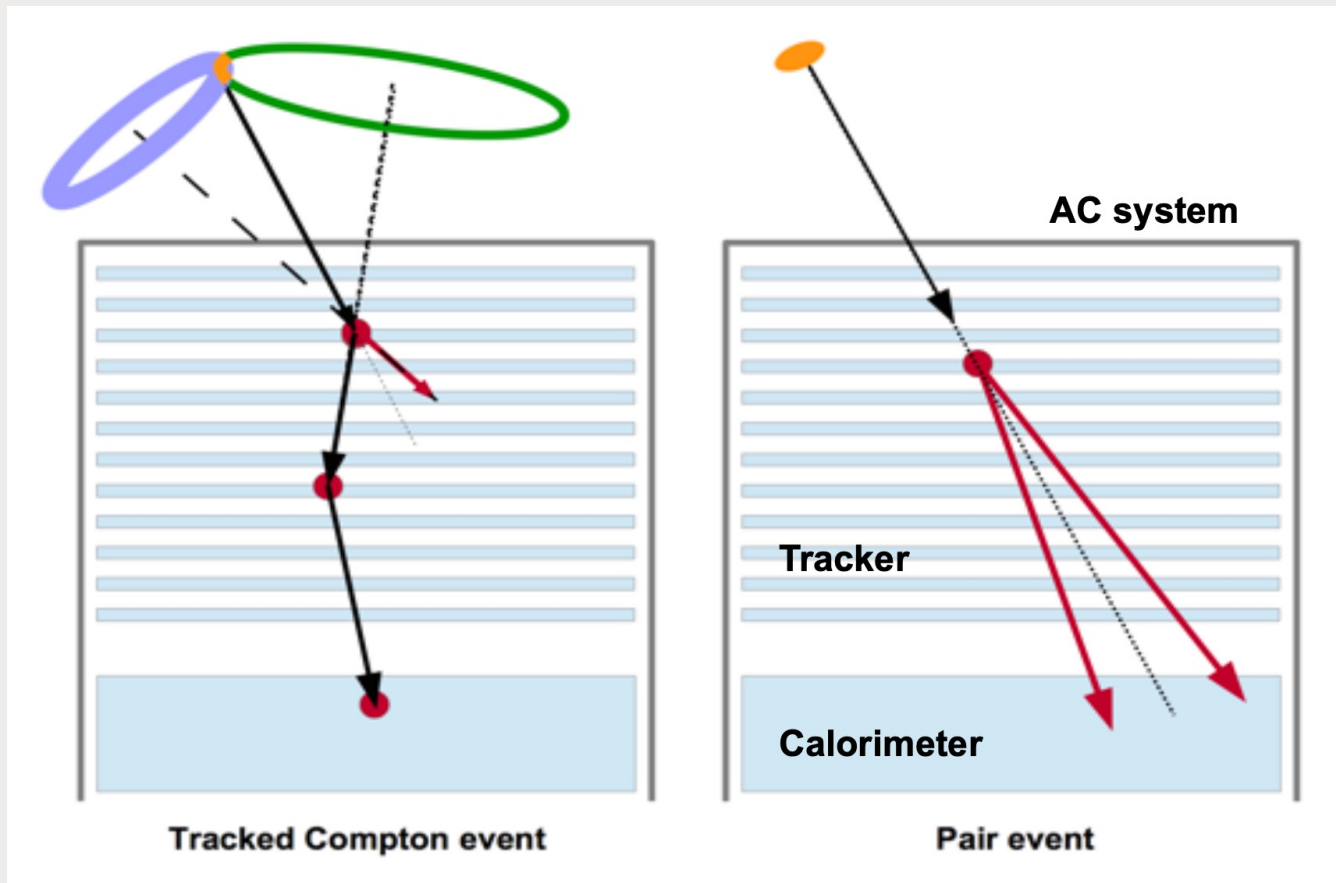
Energy range	15 keV - 10 MeV
Detector area	2600 cm <sup>2</sup> (CdTe - Cadmium Telluride) 3000 cm <sup>2</sup> (CsI - Caesium Iodide)
Spectral energy resolution (FWHM)	8% @ 100 keV 10% @ 1 MeV
Field of view	8.3° x 8.0° (fully coded) 29.1° x 29.4° (down to zero response)
Angular resolution	12' FWHM
Point source location accuracy (90% error radius)	30" @ 100 keV (5 $\sigma$ source) 3' @ 100 keV (5 $\sigma$ source) 5-10' @ 1 MeV (5 $\sigma$ source)
Continuum sensitivity*	2.85e-6 ph/(s cm <sup>2</sup> keV) [3 $\sigma$ in 10e5 s, @ 100 keV, $\Delta E = E/2$ ] 1.6e-6 ph/(s cm <sup>2</sup> keV) [3 $\sigma$ in 10e5 s, @ 1 MeV, $\Delta E = E/2$ ]
Line sensitivity*	1.9e-5 ph/(s cm <sup>2</sup> ) [3 $\sigma$ in 10e6 s, @ 100 keV] 3.8e10-4 ph/(s cm <sup>2</sup> ) [3 $\sigma$ in 10e6 s, @ 1 MeV]
Timing accuracy	61 $\mu$ s - 1 hr
Typical source location	30" @ 100 keV (50 sigma source) 3' @ 100 keV (5 sigma source)
Resources (following EID-A allocation):	
Mass	677 kg (+ 96 kg for tube inside PLM)
Power (sun/eclipse)	240/0 W
Data rate (solar maximum)	59.8 kbps
Date rate (solar minimum)	56.8 kbp

# Galactic Center as seen by Integral-IBIS





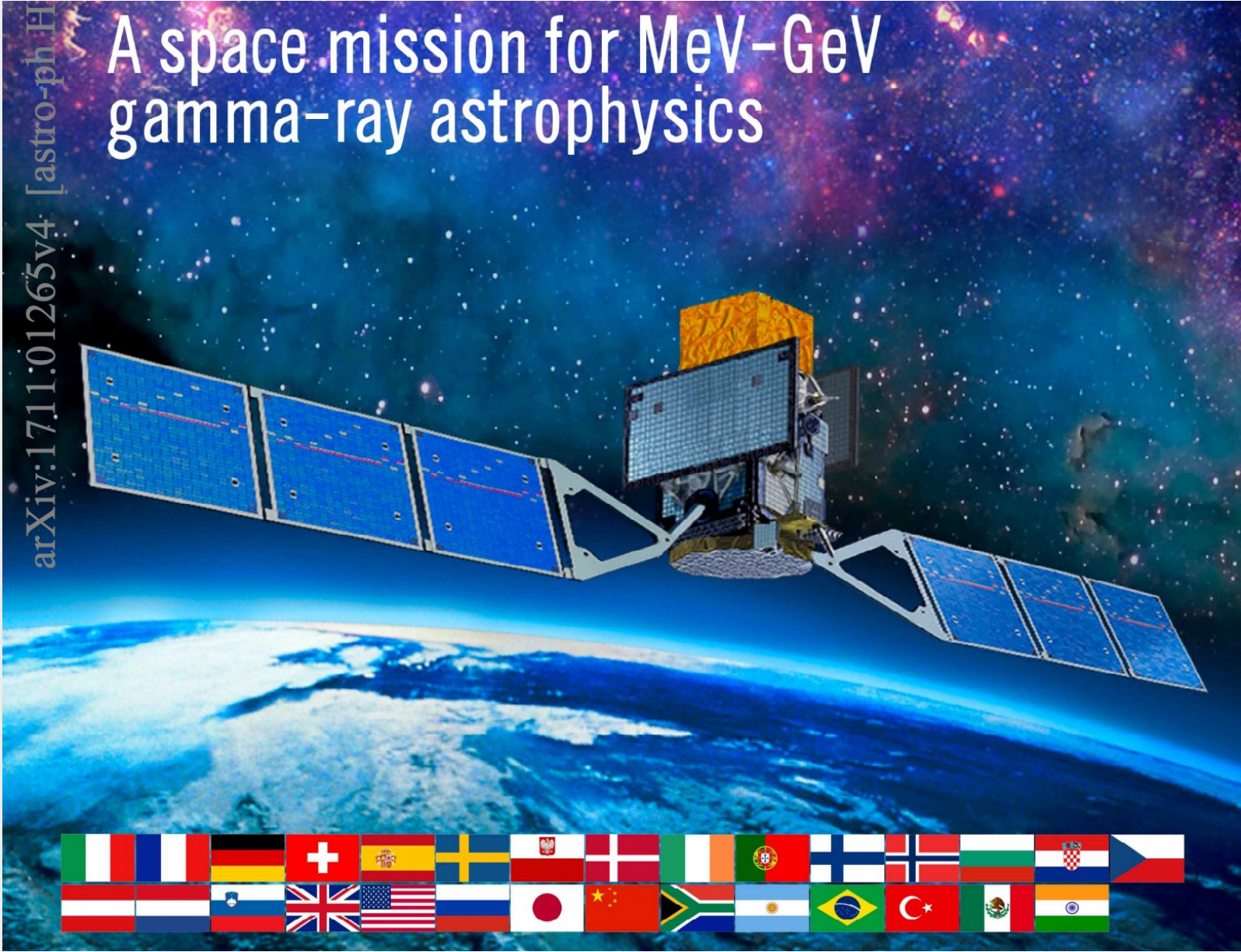
# Compton+Pair = e-Astrogam/Amego



- By adding more layers +calorimeter one can see the full development of a pair produced by higher energy gamma-rays
- Two proposed sister instruments
  - *E-Astrogam*
  - *Amego*

arXiv:1711.01265v4 [astro-ph.HE]

# A space mission for MeV-GeV gamma-ray astrophysics



<https://arxiv.org/pdf/1711.01265.pdf>

Compton event

Event circle

Event arc

$\theta$

$E_1$

"Tracker"

$e^-$

$E_2$

"Calorimeter"

$E_1$

$e^-$

$E_2$

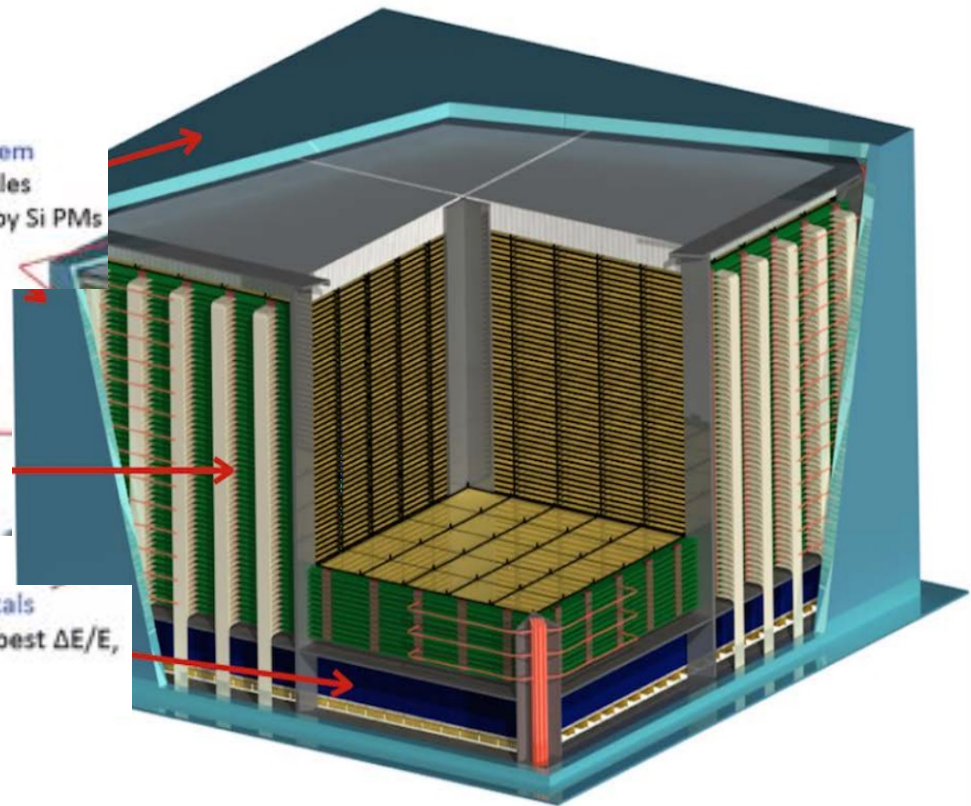
$E_2$

Pair event

Anti-Coincidence System  
to veto charged particles  
plastic scintillators readout by Si PMs  
+ Time of Flight

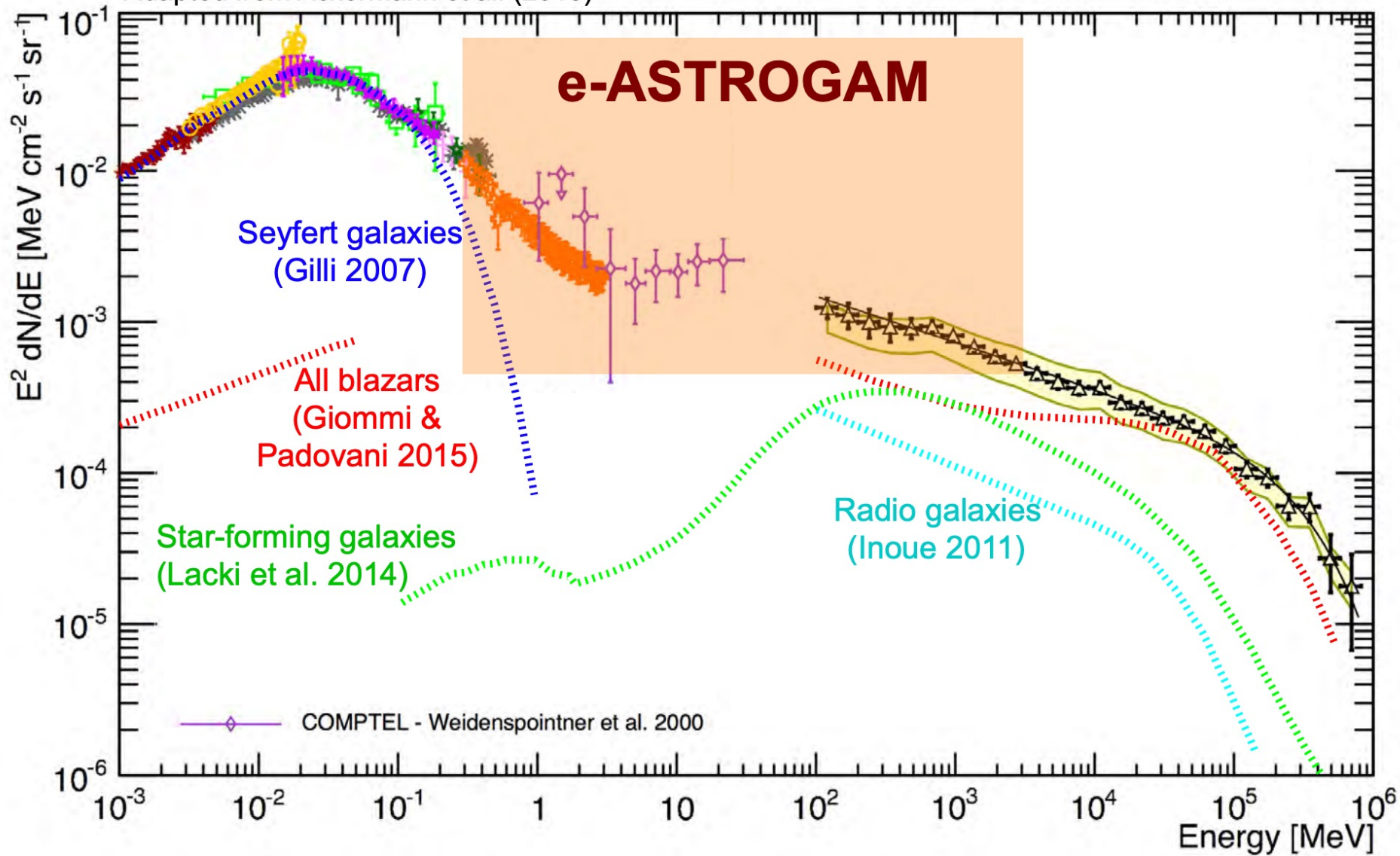
Tracker – DS Si strip detectors  
for spectral resolution  
& 3-D resolution  
1m<sup>2</sup>, 500  $\mu$ m thick, 0.3 X<sub>0</sub> tot

Calorimeter – CsI(Tl) crystals  
readout by Si drift detectors for best  $\Delta E/E$ ,  
8 cm (4.3 X<sub>0</sub>)



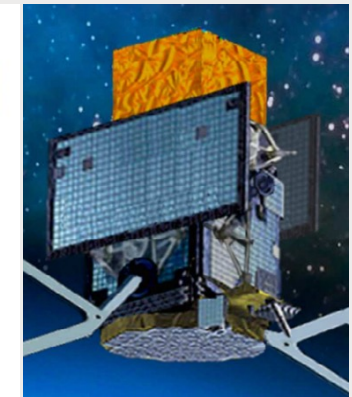
ASTROGAM is made of 56 Silicon planes, about 1 m<sup>2</sup> each, v

Adapted from Ackermann et al. (2015)

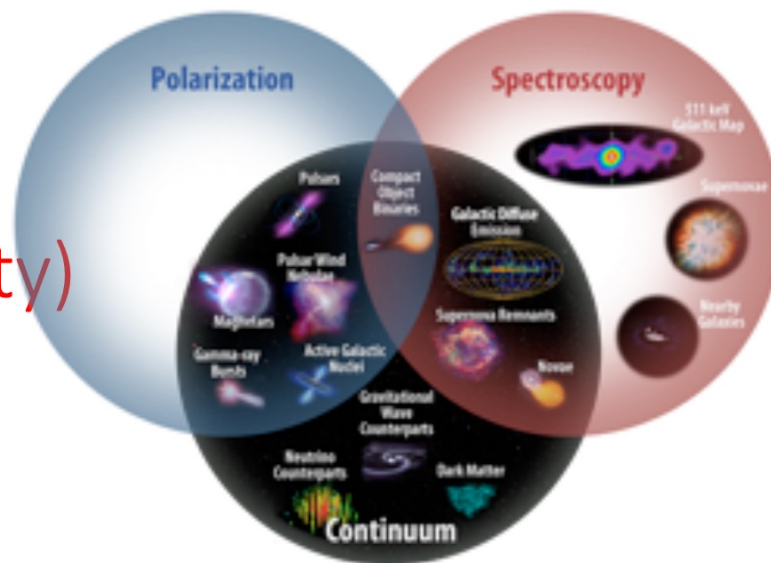
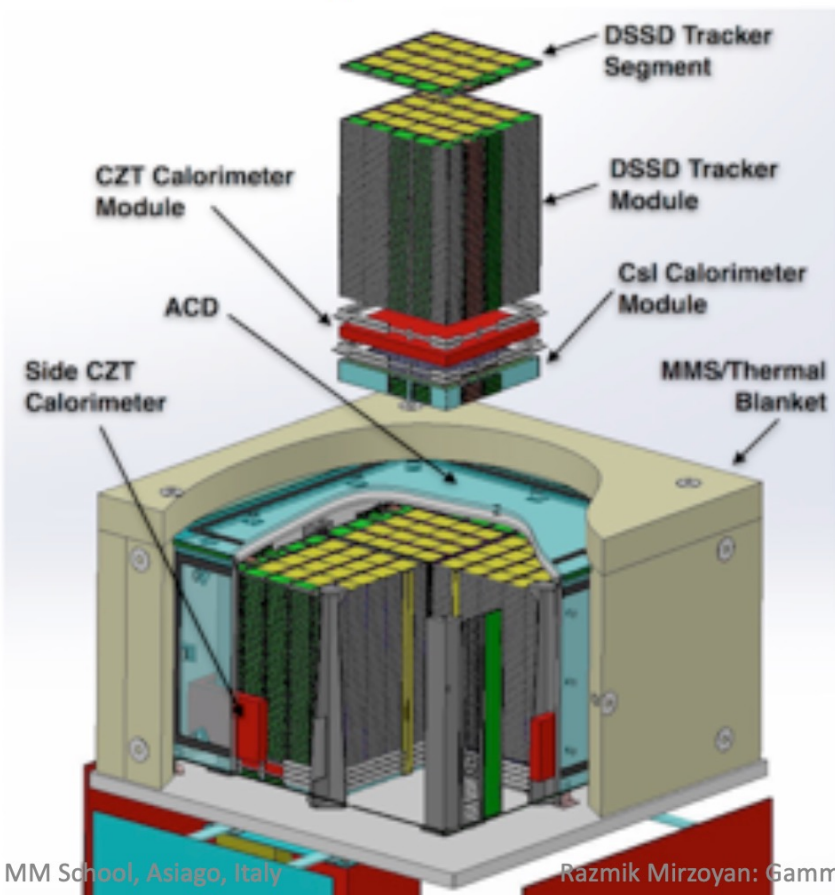


**Table 1.1.1: e-ASTROGAM scientific requirements.**

Parameter	Value
Energy bands:	0.3 MeV – 3 GeV (Gamma-ray imager: Tracker + Calorimeter) 30 keV – 200 MeV (Calorimeter burst search)
Gamma-ray imager FOV (at 100 MeV)	$\geq 2.5$ sr
Gamma-ray imager Continuum flux sensitivity at $3\sigma$ confidence level	$< 2 \times 10^{-5}$ MeV cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> at 1 MeV ( $T_{\text{obs}} = 10^6$ s effective observation time) $< 5 \times 10^{-5}$ MeV cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> at 10 MeV ( $T_{\text{obs}} = 10^6$ s, high-latitude source) $< 3 \times 10^{-6}$ MeV cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> at 500 MeV ( $T_{\text{obs}} = 10^6$ s, high-latitude source)
Gamma-ray imager Line flux sensitivity at $3\sigma$ confidence level	$< 5 \times 10^{-6}$ ph cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> for the 511 keV line ( $T_{\text{obs}} = 10^6$ s effective obs. time) $< 5 \times 10^{-6}$ ph cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> for the 847 keV SN Ia line ( $T_{\text{obs}} = 10^6$ s) $< 3 \times 10^{-6}$ ph cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> for the 4.44 MeV line from LECRs ( $T_{\text{obs}} = 10^6$ s)
Gamma-ray imager angular resolution	$\leq 1.5^\circ$ at 1 MeV (FWHM of the angular resolution measure) $\leq 1.5^\circ$ at 100 MeV (68% containment radius) $\leq 0.2^\circ$ at 1 GeV (68% containment radius)
AC particle background rejection efficiency	$> 99.99$ %
Polarization sensitivity	MDP $< 20\%$ (99% c.l.) for a 10 mCrab source (0.3-2 MeV, $T_{\text{obs}} = 1$ yr) Detection of a polarization fract. $\geq 20\%$ in more than 20 GRBs per year
$\Delta E/E$ (Gamma-ray imager)	3.0% at 1 MeV 30% at 100 MeV
$\Delta E/E$ (Calorimeter burst)	$< 25\%$ FWHM at 0.3 MeV $< 10\%$ FWHM at 1 MeV $< 5\%$ FWHM at 10 MeV



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



- ~20% smaller tracker
- CZT calorimeter layer

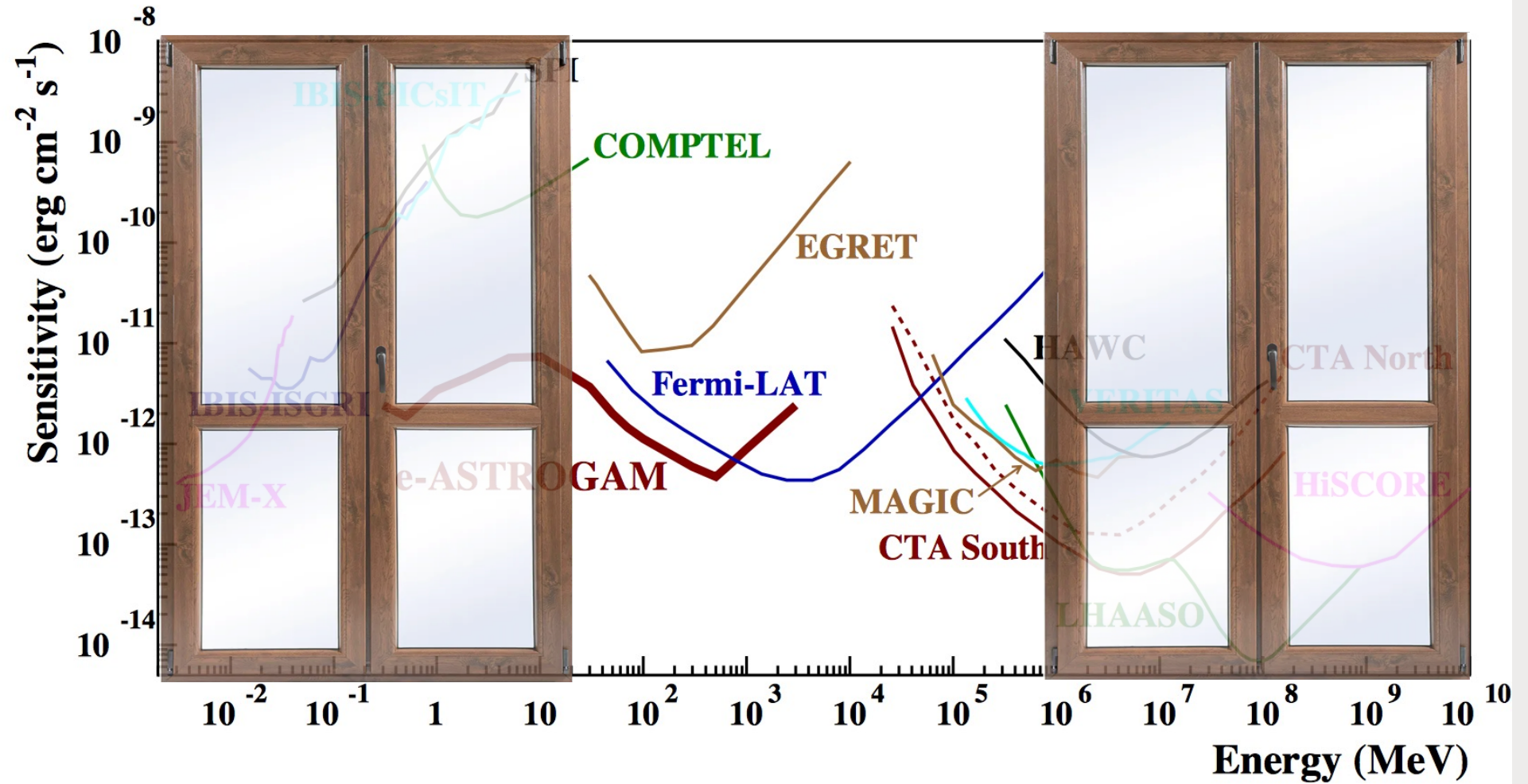


SATELLITE – GEV

PAIR PRODUCTION

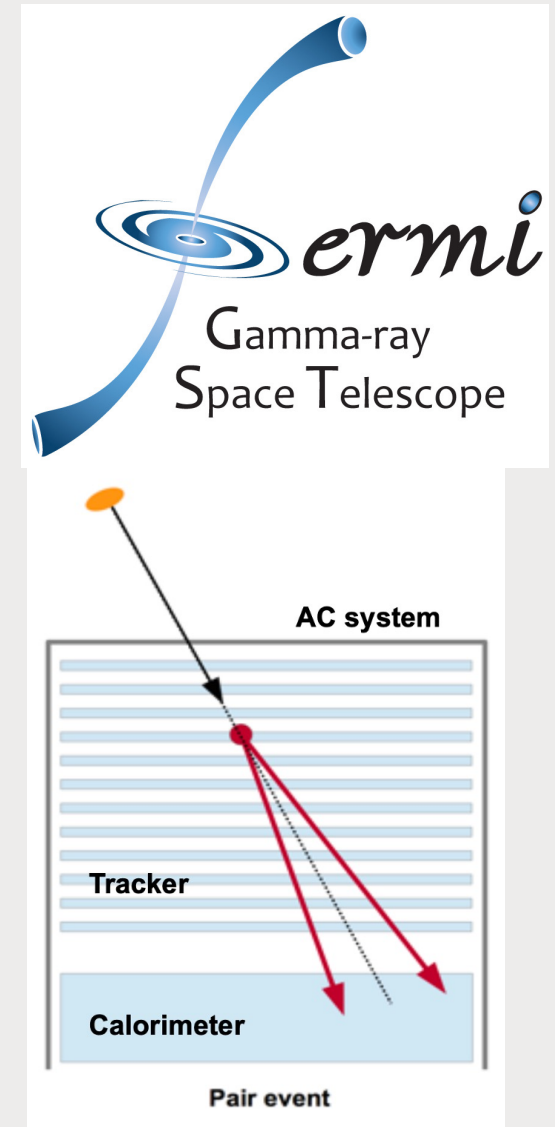
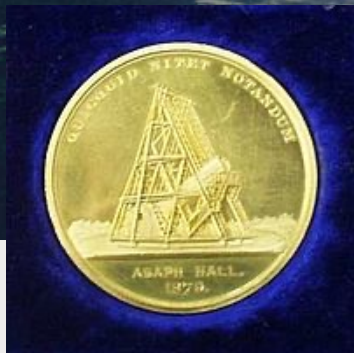


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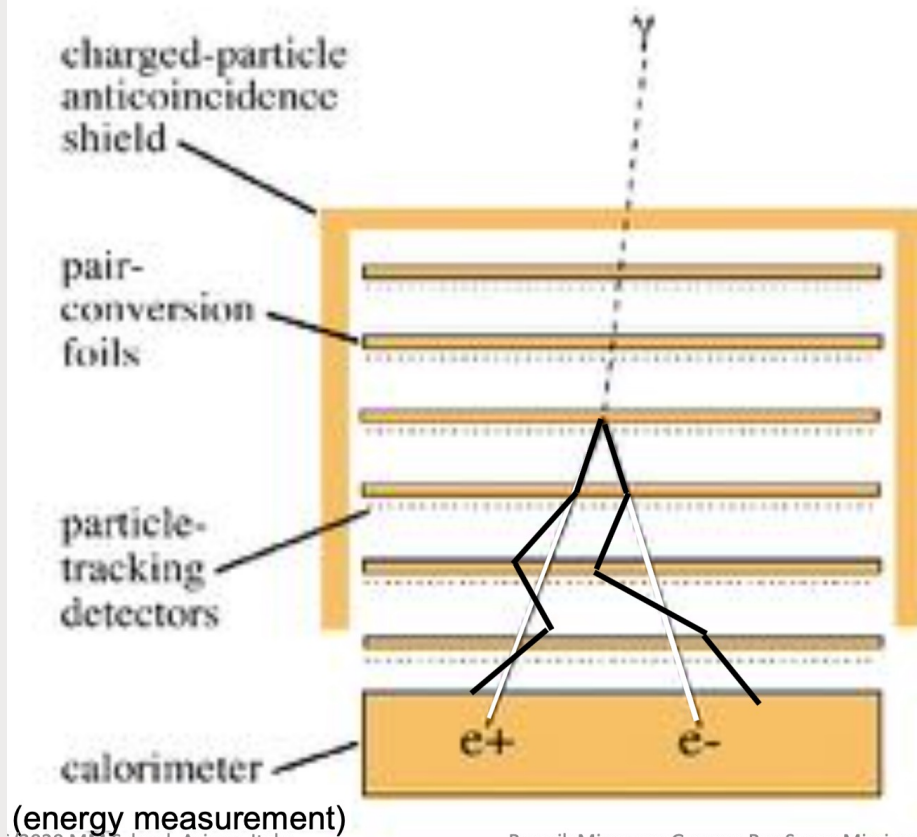


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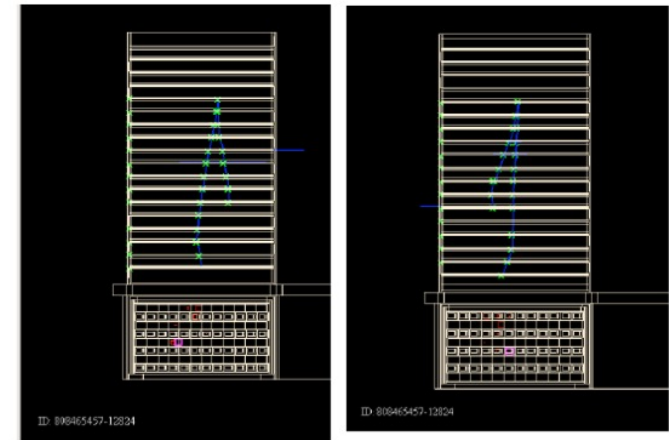


# A PP event

## Elements of a pair-conversion telescope



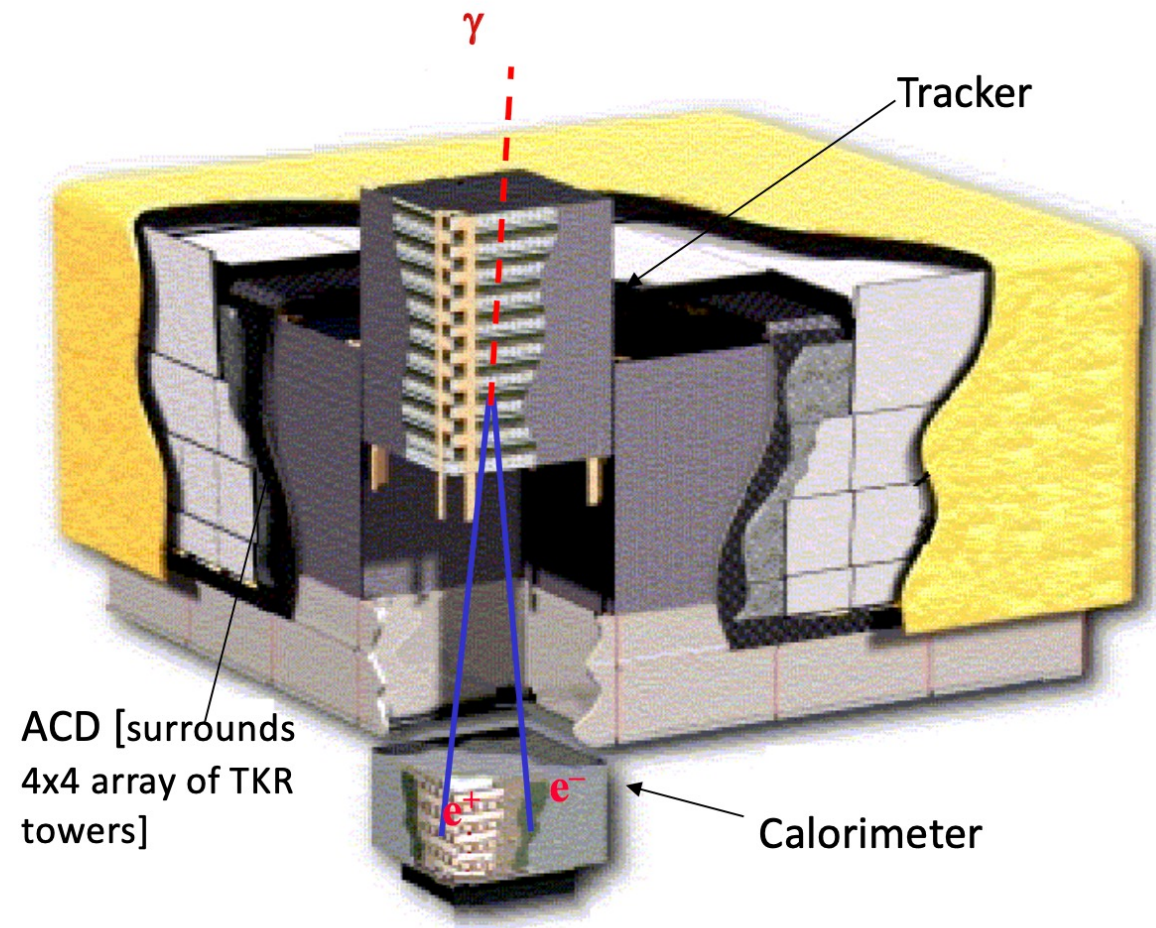
(more realistic)



- 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

# 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.

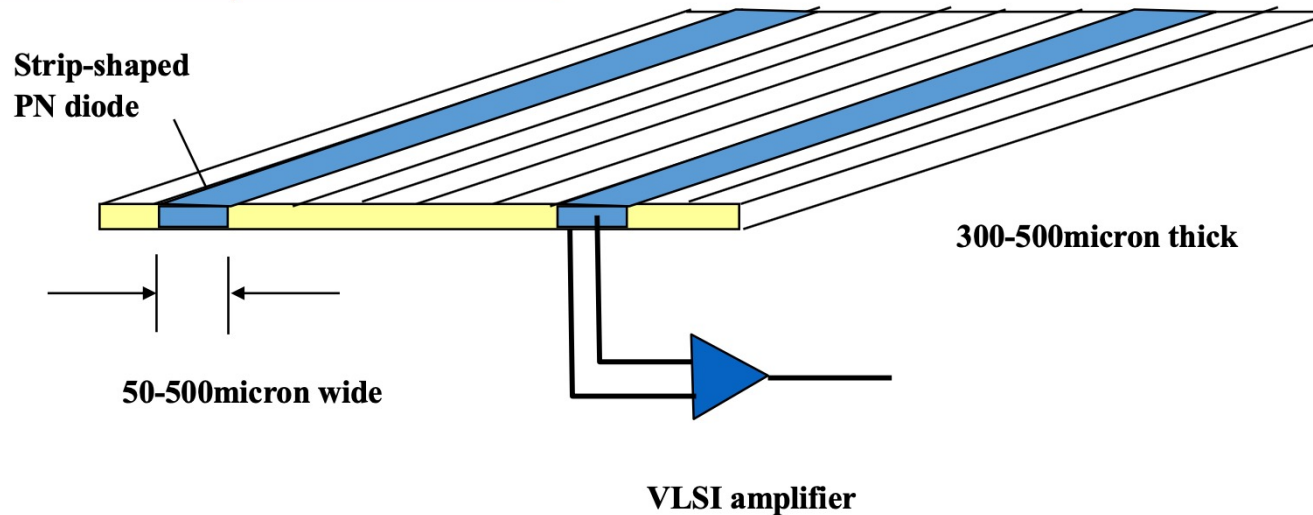


# Amazing satellites



# Particle physics detectors

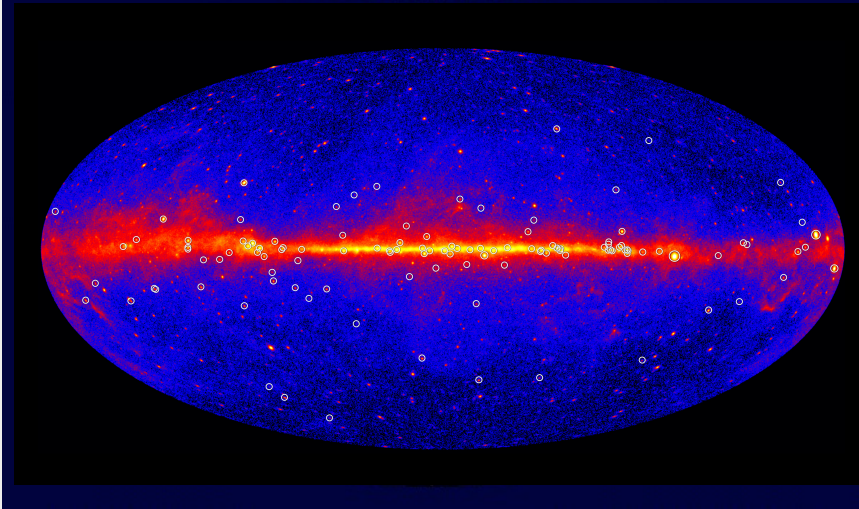
- **Silicon strip detector**



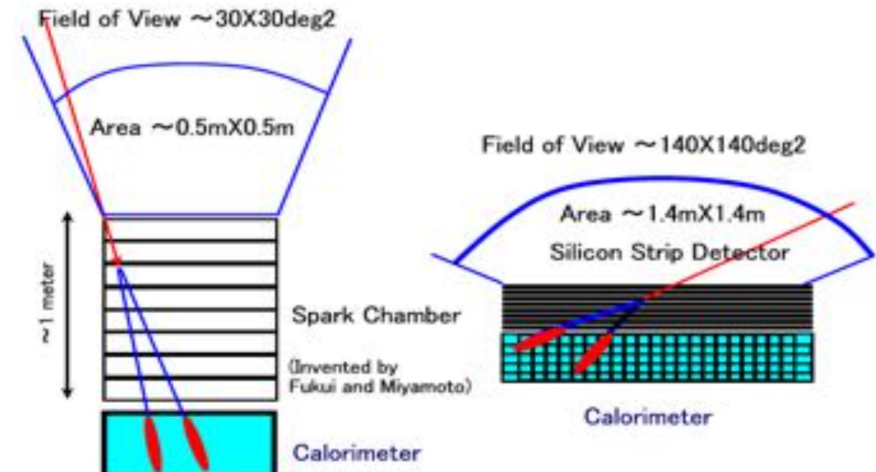
**Stable particle tracker that allows micron-level tracking of gamma-rays**

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

EGRET All-Sky Map Above 100 MeV



EGRET(Spark Chamber) VS. Fermi LAT (Silicon Strip Detector)



Fermi Large Area Telescope (2008-2018)

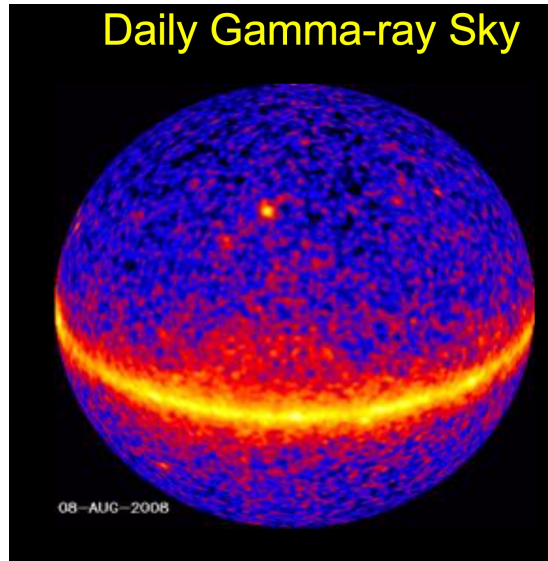
nma-Ray Space Missions

## LAT Specifications & Performance

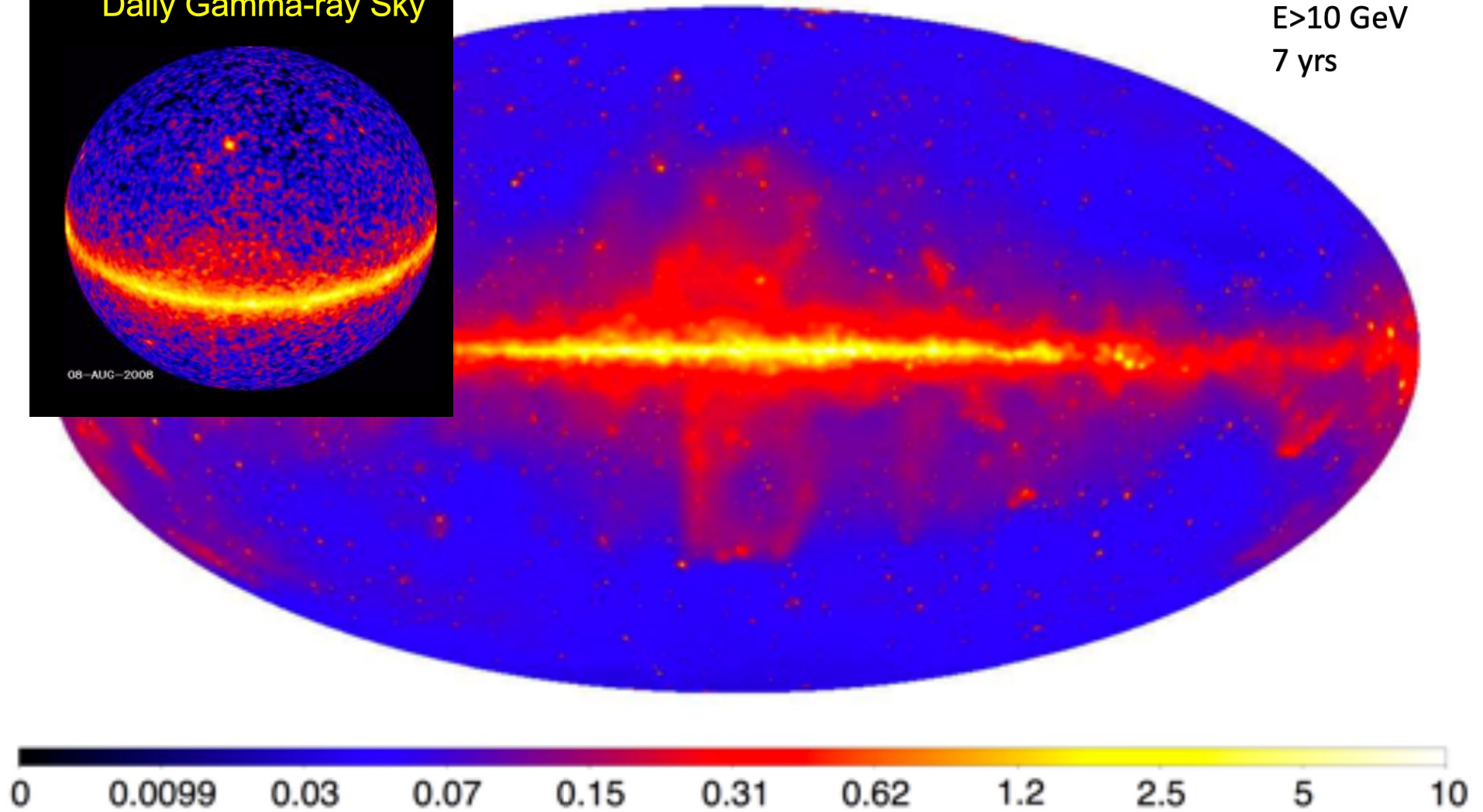
Quantity	LAT (Minimim Spec.)	EGRET
Energy Range	20 MeV - 300 GeV	20 MeV - 30 GeV
Peak Effective Area <sup>1</sup>	> 8000 cm <sup>2</sup>	1500 cm <sup>2</sup>
Field of View	> 2 sr	0.5 sr
Angular Resolution <sup>2</sup>	< 3.5° (100 MeV) < 0.15° (>10 GeV)	5.8° (100 MeV)
Energy Resolution <sup>3</sup>	< 10%	10%
Deadtime per Event	< 100 μs	100 ms
Source Location Determination <sup>4</sup>	< 0.5'	15'
Point Source Sensitivity <sup>5</sup>	< 6 x 10 <sup>-9</sup> cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	~ 10 <sup>-7</sup> cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>

GeV  
revolution  
Mother and  
daughter

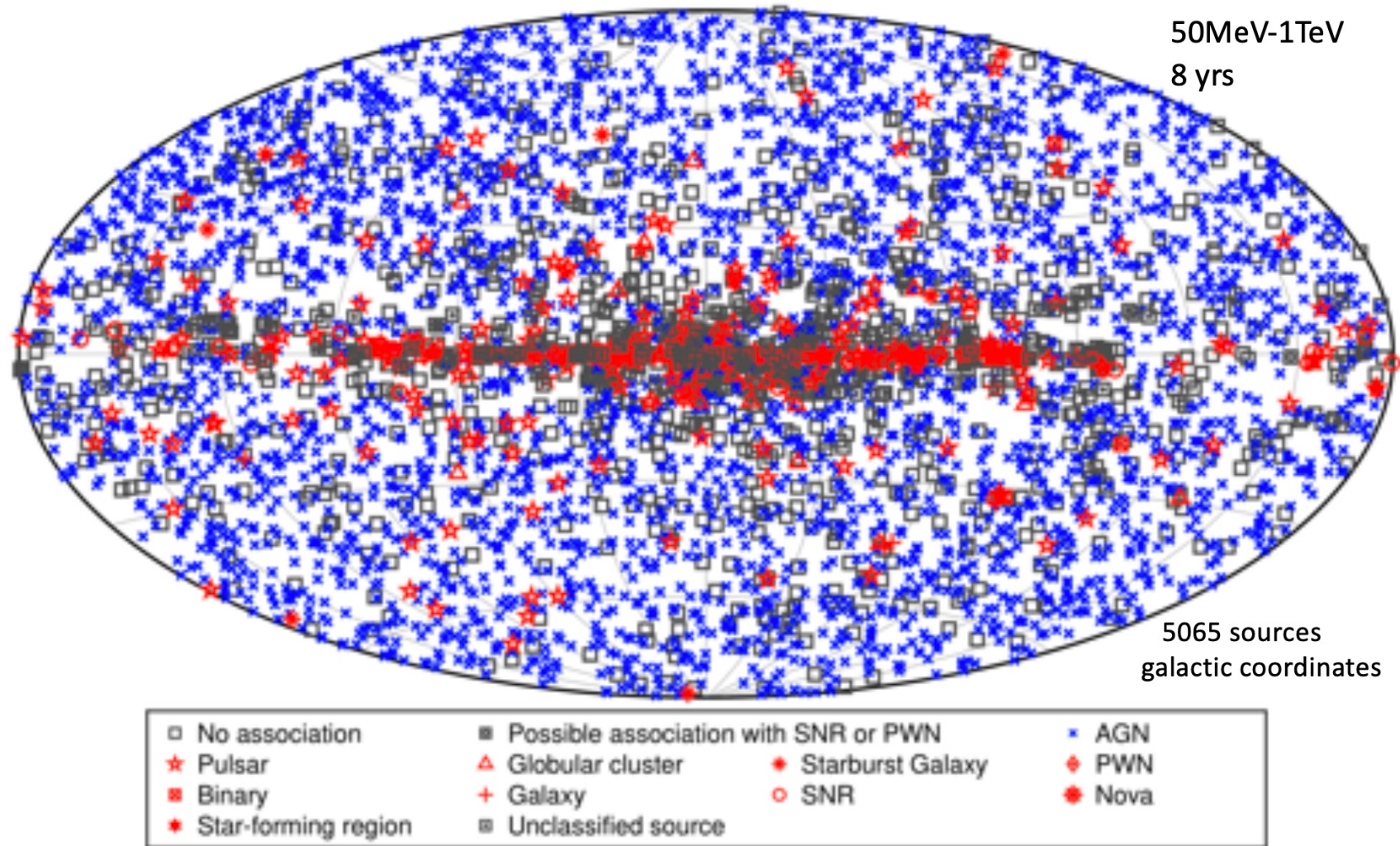
# The sky in gamma-rays



$E > 10$  GeV  
7 yrs

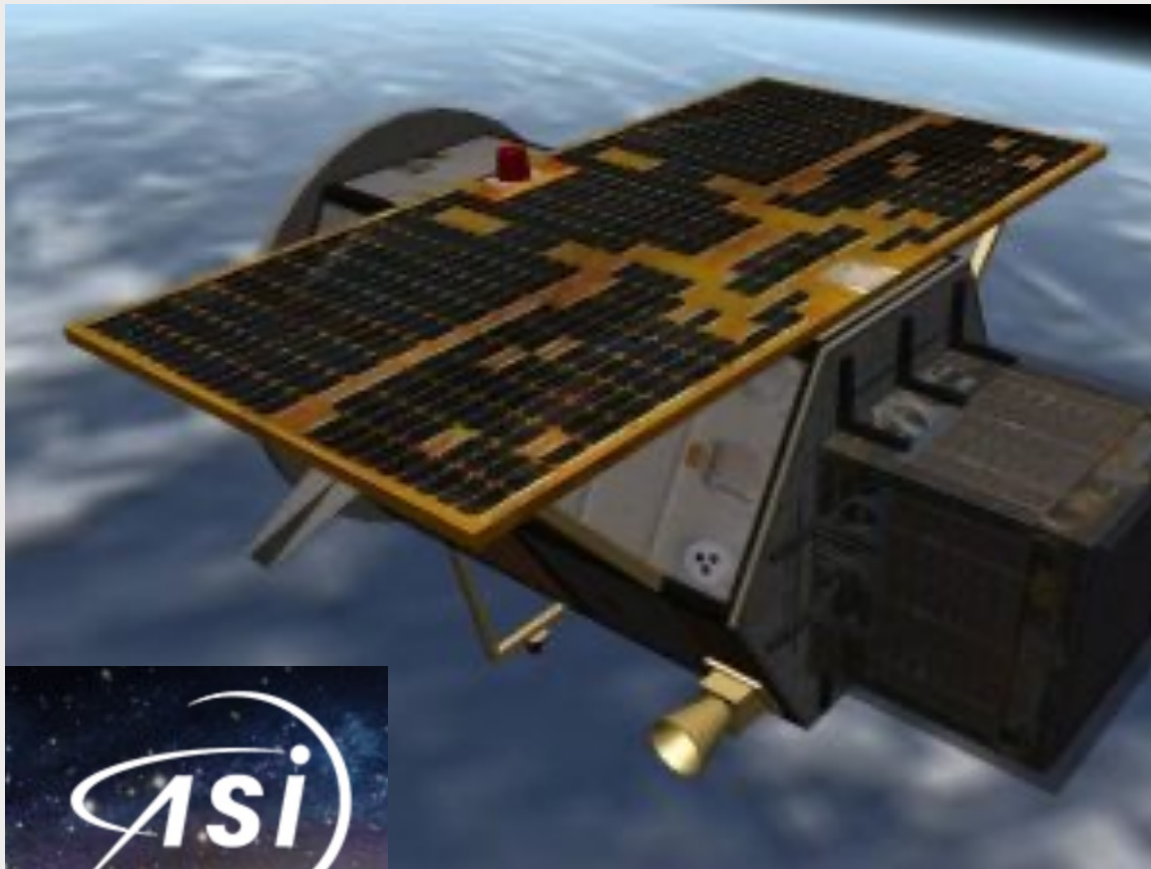


# The sky in gamma-rays 4<sup>th</sup> source catalog



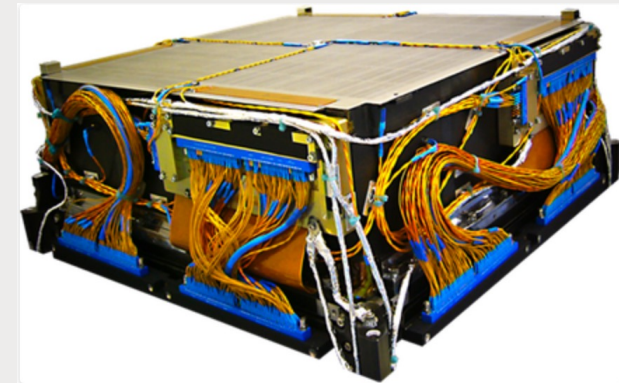


# AGILE

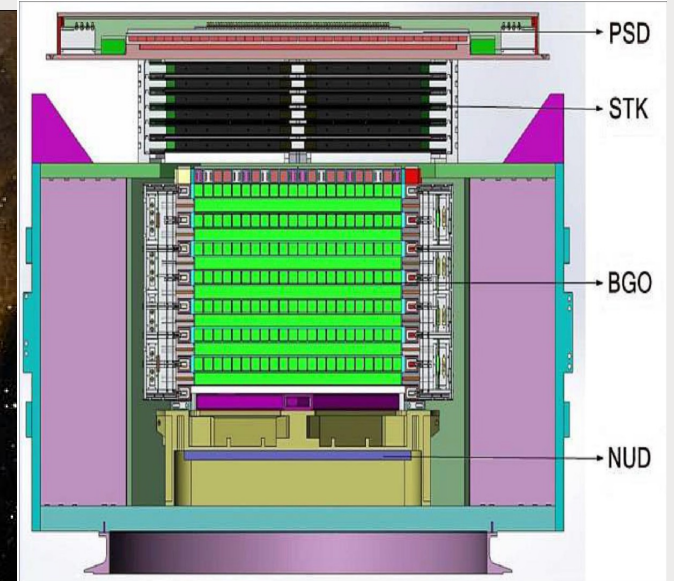


<http://www.agilescienceapp.it/>

- Launched in 2007
- Should have been a precursor of LAT



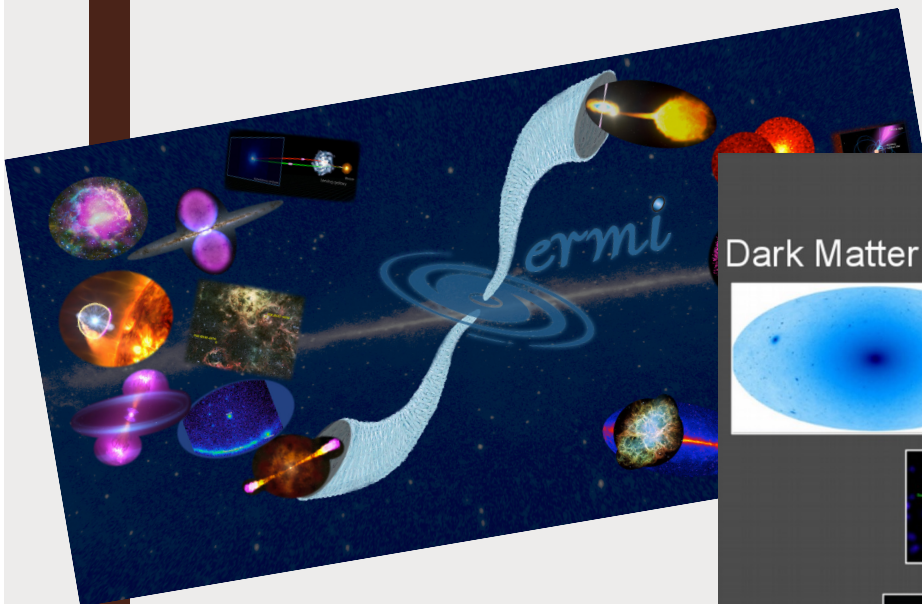
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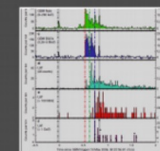
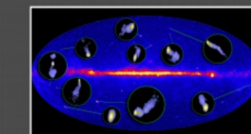
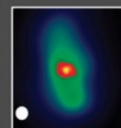
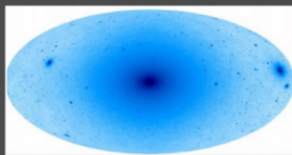
Mostly Chinese mission

<https://directory.eoportal.org/web/eoportal/satellite-missions/d/dampe>

# Science with Fermi



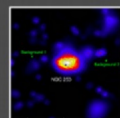
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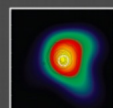
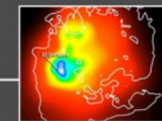
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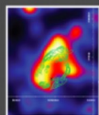
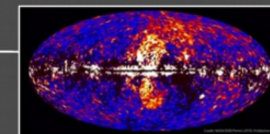
Starburst Galaxies

LMC & SMC

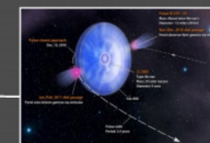


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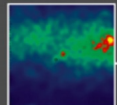
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SNRs & PWN

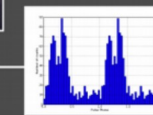


$\gamma$ -ray Binaries

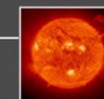


Novae

Pulsars: isolated, binaries, & MSPs



Sun: flares & CR interactions



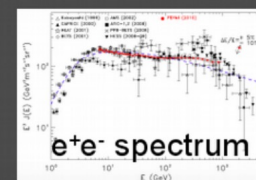
Terrestrial  $\gamma$ -ray Flashes



Unidentified Sources

Galactic

Extragalactic



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## Installing the Fermitools

The FSSC now uses the [Conda](#) package manager to install the [Fermitools](#), and the source code is now hosted on [GitHub](#).

Please see the [Fermitools Wiki](#) for the [Quickstart Guide](#), detailed [Installation Instructions](#), and other documentation about the Tools.

If you encounter problems, please see the [Troubleshooting](#) and [Error Reporting](#) guides.

For more information about why the change to Conda was made, please read [The Fermitools and Conda](#).

The release of new versions of the Fermitools will be announced on the fermi-soft mailing list. Please see the [Fermi newsletter](#) page if you would like to be added to the list.

The FSSC has also created a [Docker](#) container pre-loaded with many of the necessary tools required to do Fermi Analysis. It includes the Science Tools, the HEASARC [FTOOLS](#), Python 2.7 and associated libraries along with a host of other programs. This container will run on Windows, MacOS, and Linux. You can find it (with instructions) on [github](#) or [Docker Hub](#).

The previous version of the Science Tools, [v11r5p3](#), released Feb 15, 2018 is still available for download.

## GIANT GAMMA-RAY BUBBLES FROM *FERMI*-LAT: ACTIVE GALACTIC NUCLEUS ACTIVITY OR BIPOLAR GALACTIC WIND?

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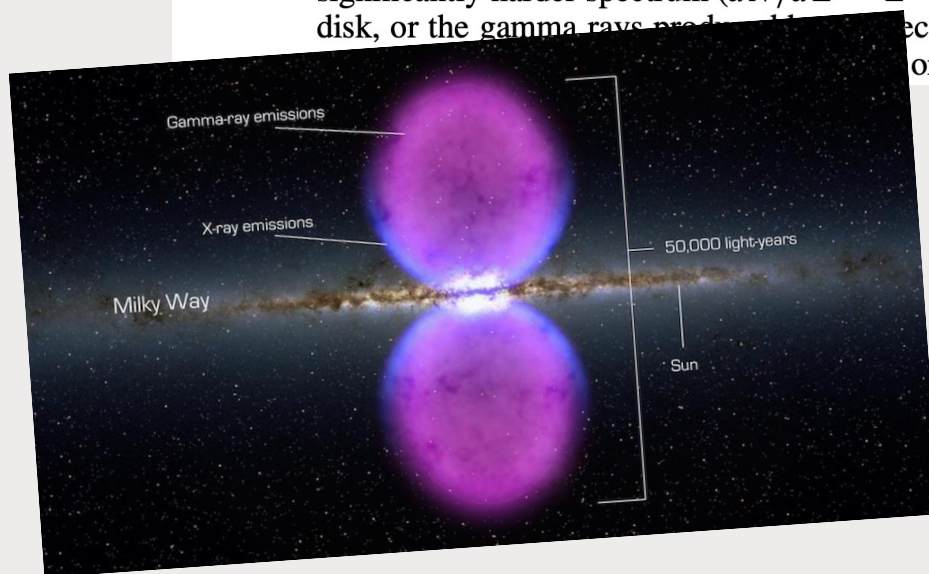
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### ABSTRACT

Data from the *Fermi*-LAT reveal two large gamma-ray bubbles, extending  $50^\circ$  above and below the Galactic center (GC), with a width of about  $40^\circ$  in longitude. The gamma-ray emission associated with these bubbles has a significantly harder spectrum ( $dN/dE \sim E^{-2}$ ) than the inverse Compton emission from electrons in the Galactic disk, or the gamma rays produced by the decay of pions from proton–interstellar medium collisions. There is no significant variation in longitude or gamma-ray intensity within the bubbles, or between the north and



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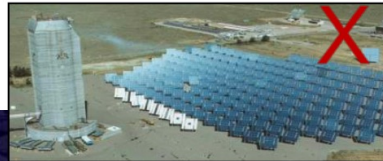
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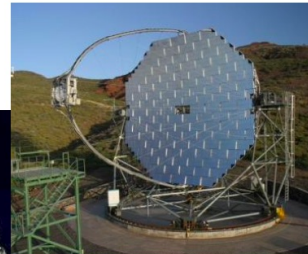
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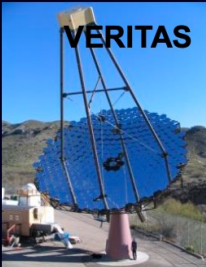
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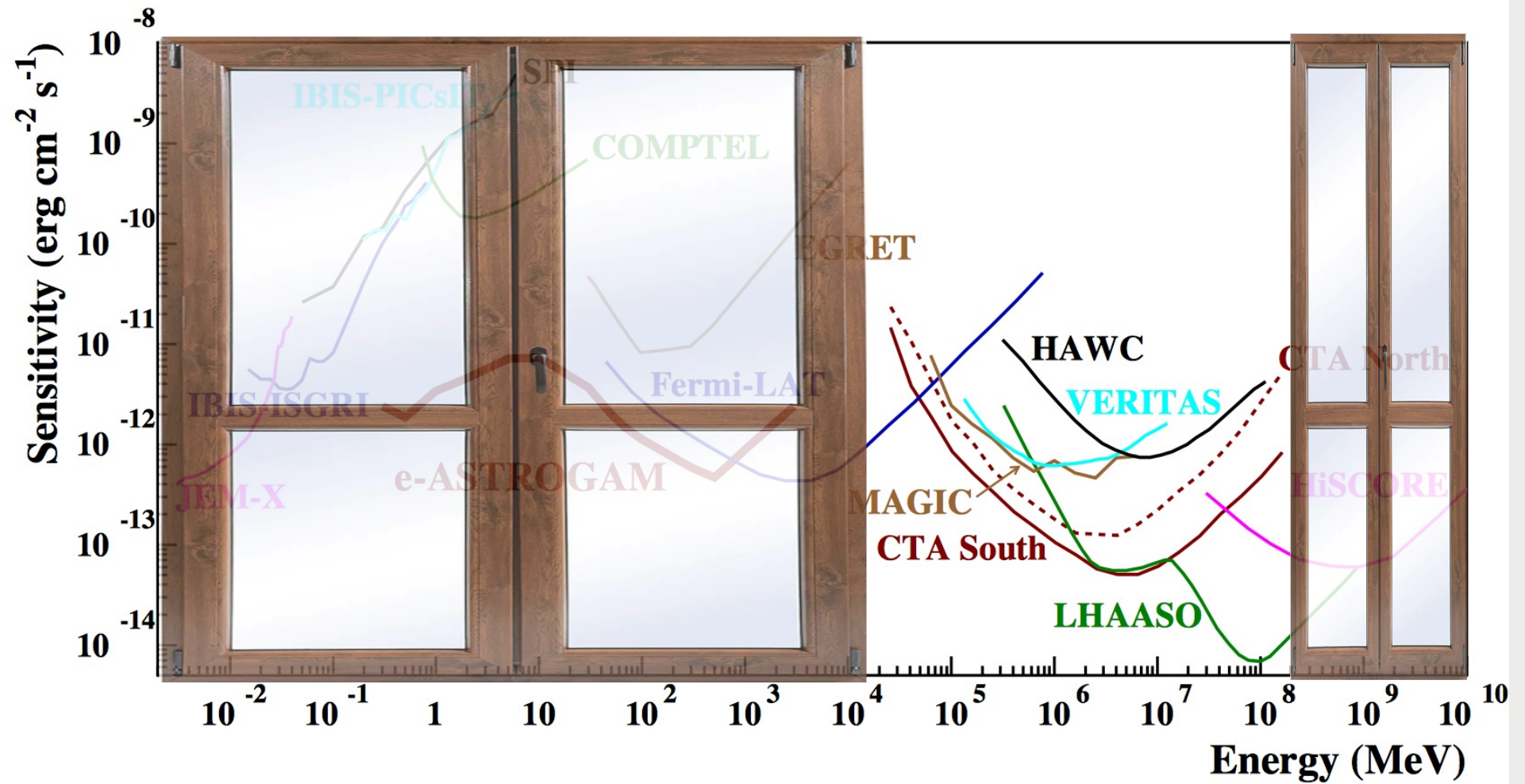
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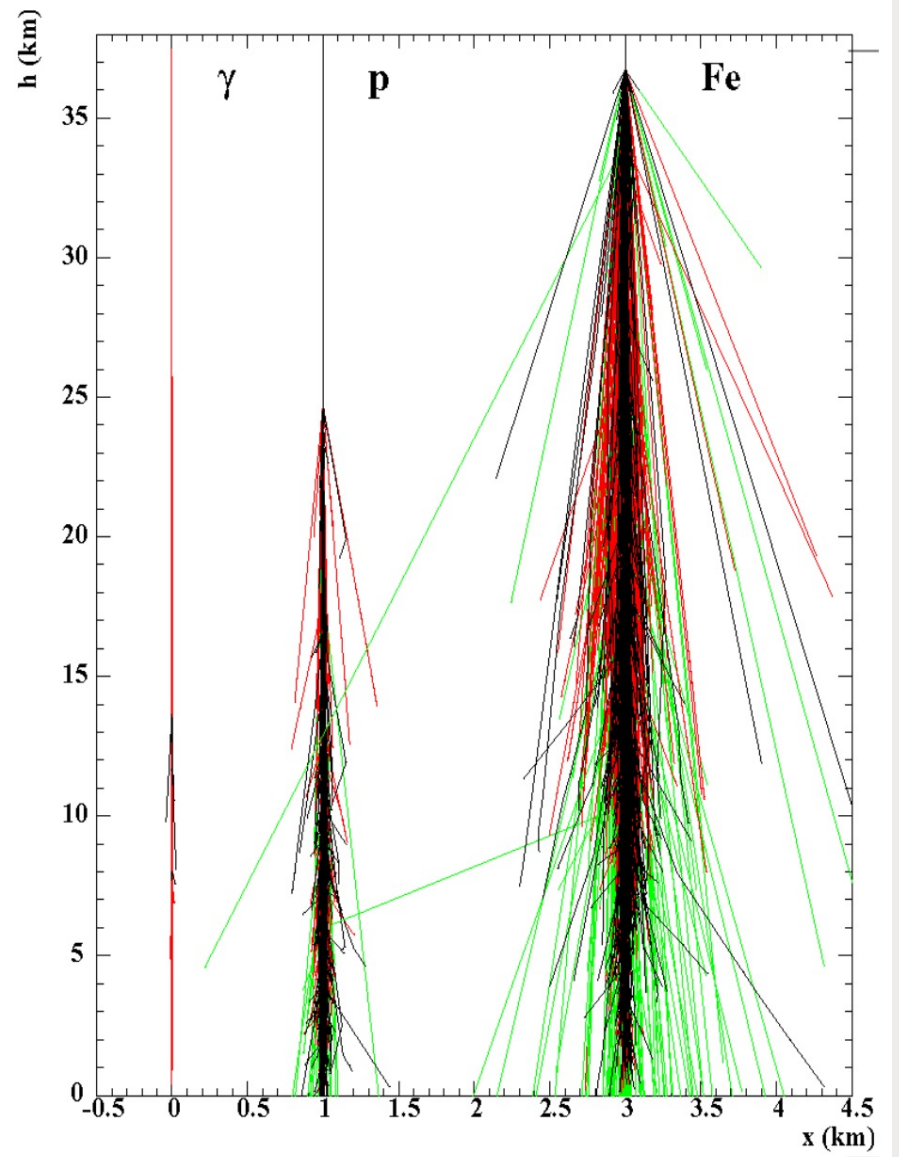
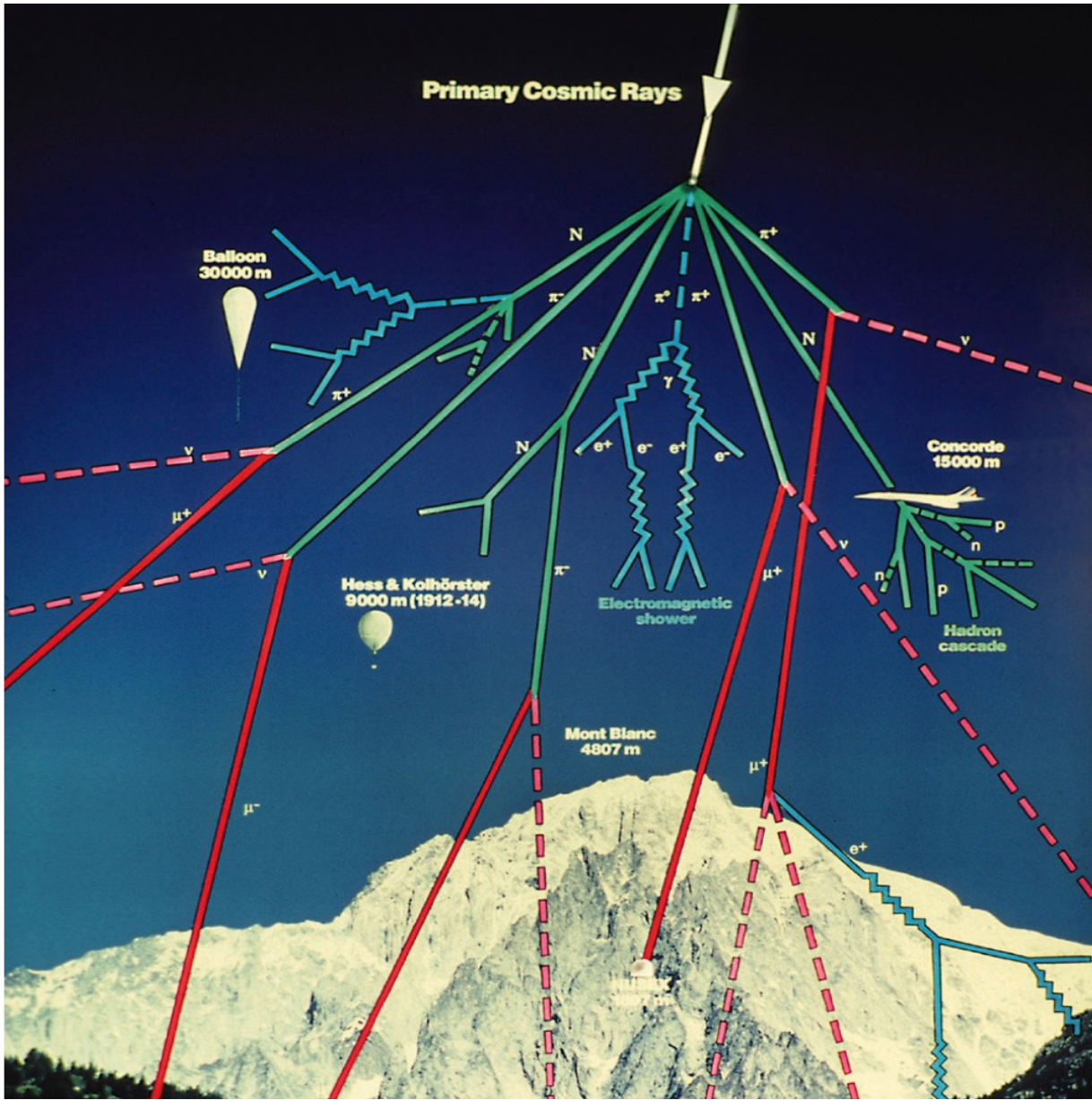
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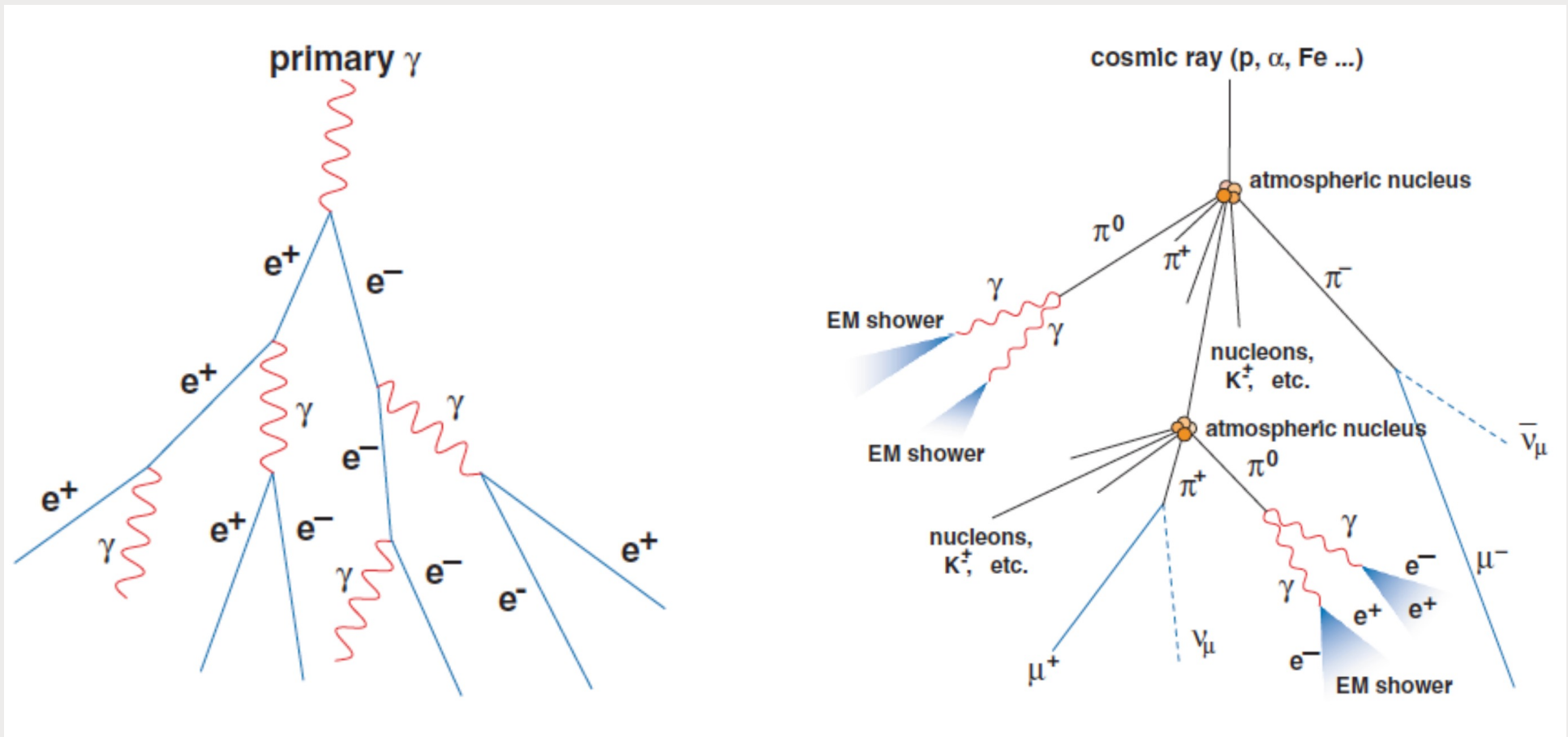




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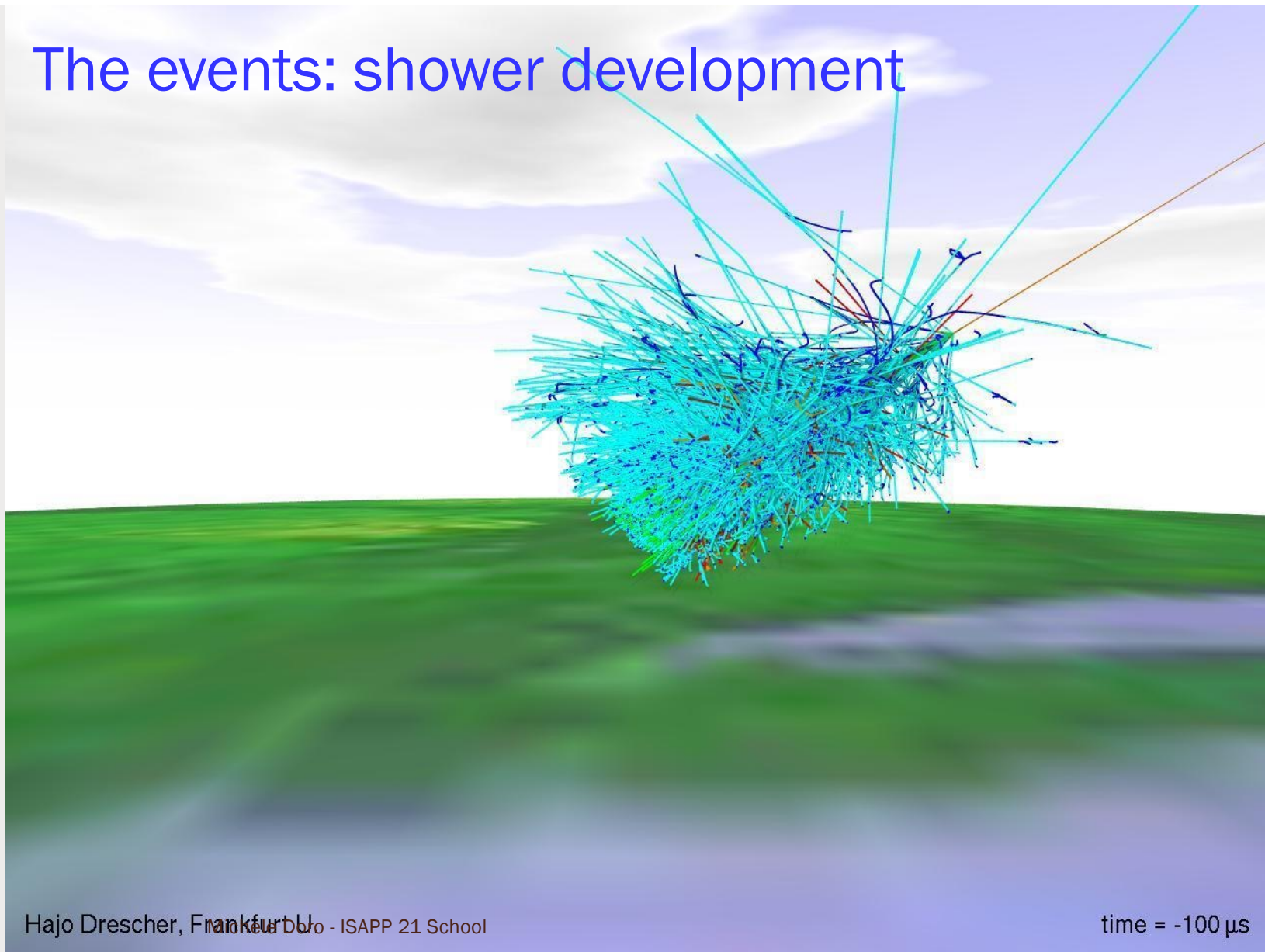
# Extended Atmospheric Shower (EAS)



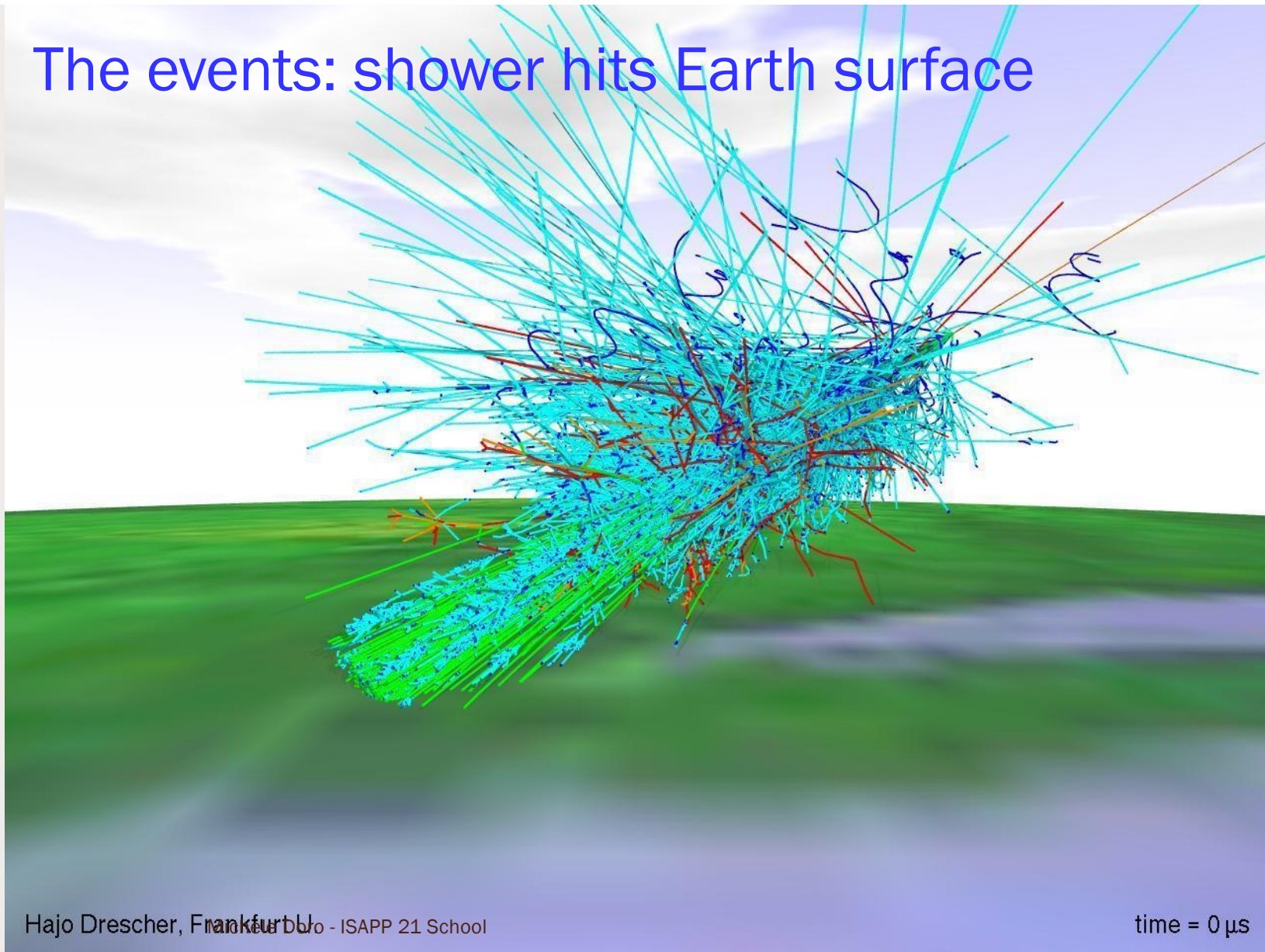
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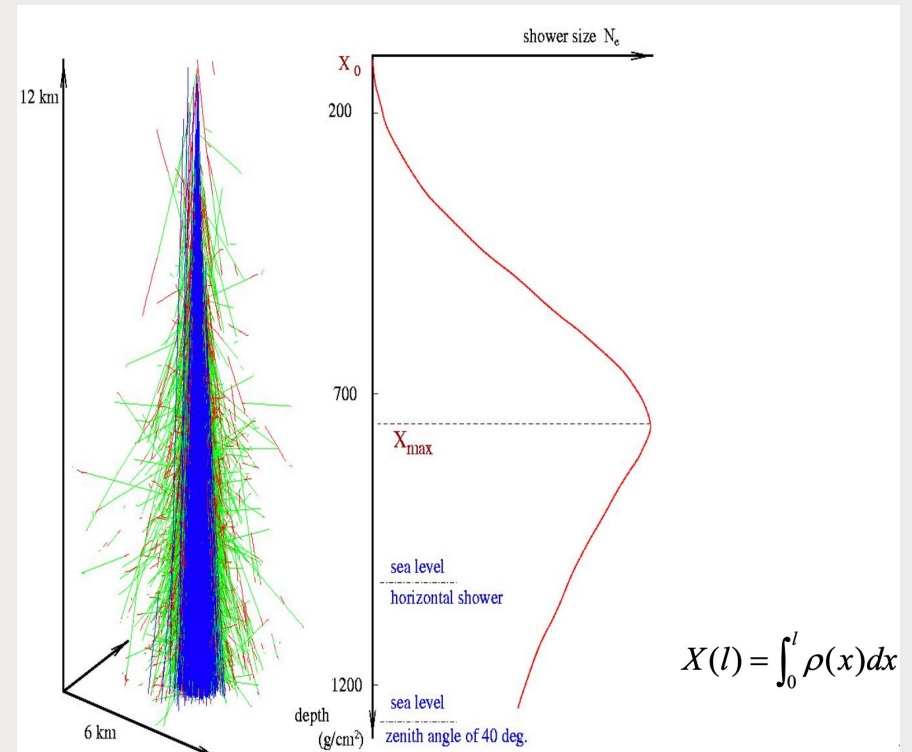
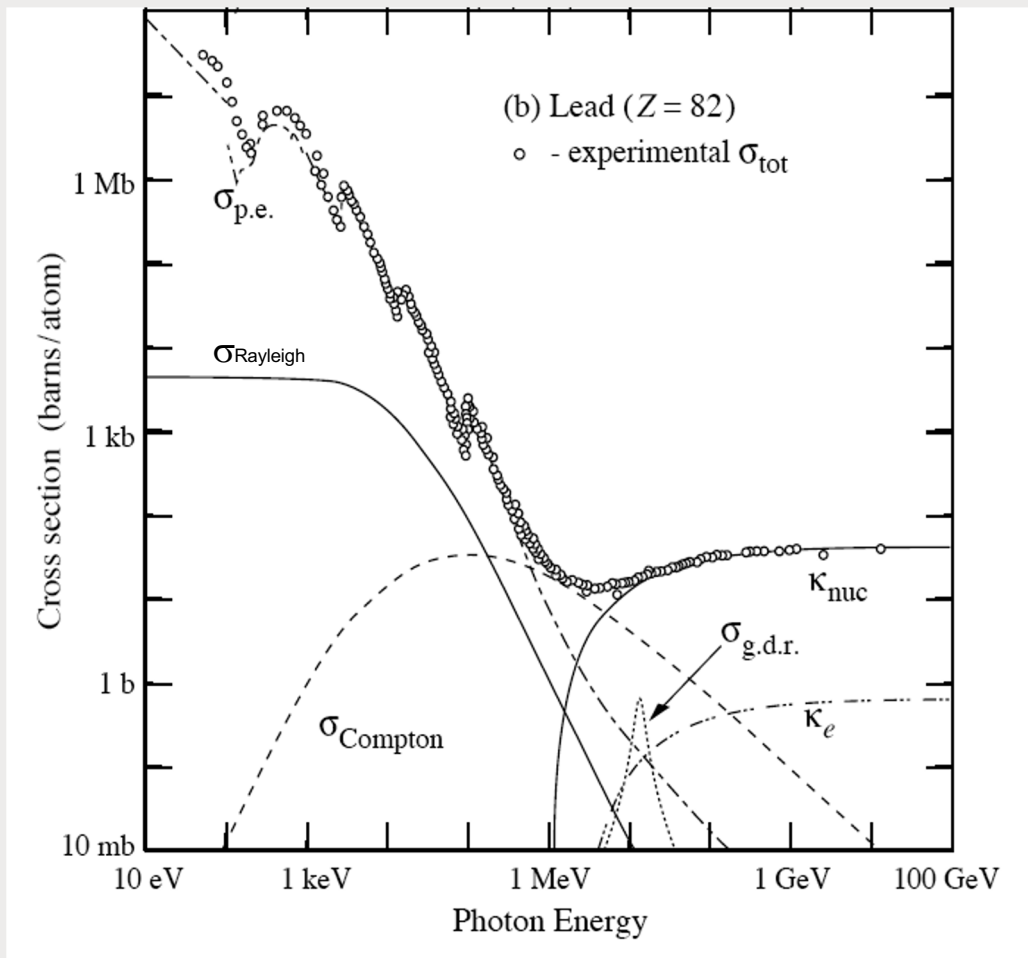


## The events: shower hits Earth surface



# HOW TO DETECT THE SHOWER?

# The shower dies of photo-eletric effect



$$X(l) = \int_0^l \rho(x) dx$$

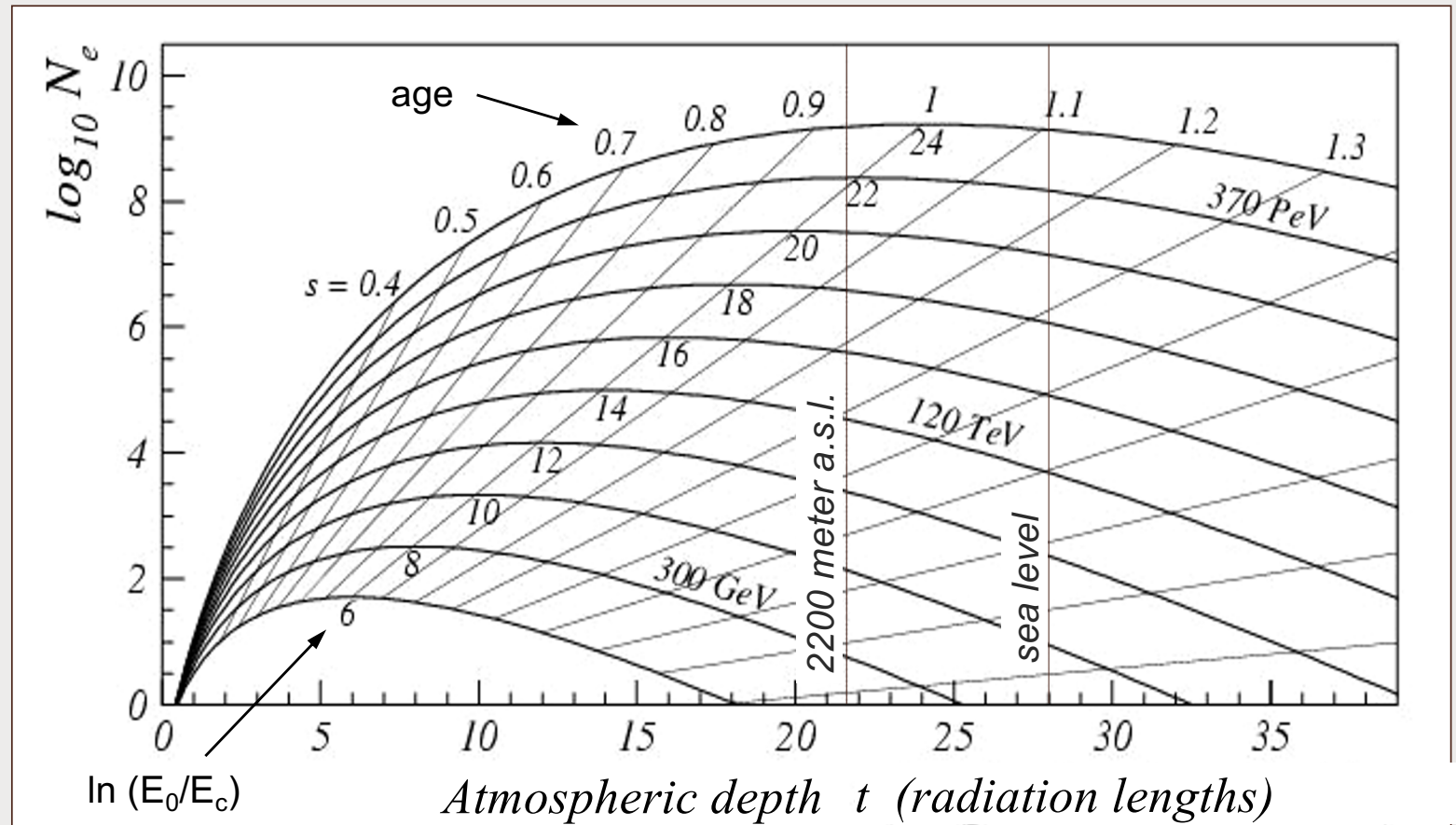


# Longitudinal EM shower development

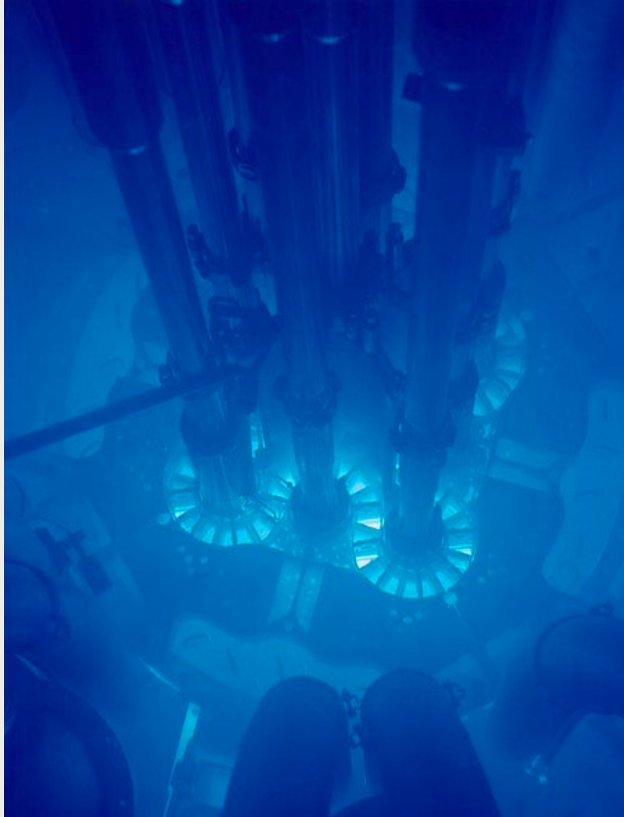
Rossi & Greisen approximation B



Bruno Rossi



# Pavel Cherenkov



- Had to find the fluorescence nature of solvents of uranium salts, emitting bluish light
- Big was his surprise that also pure solvents and even water were emitting the annoying background light
- Initially complaining about his boss: he had to spend >1-1,5 hours in a dark, cold cellar, for accomodating his eyes
- He noticed that the emission is not chaotic, but is related to the track of moving particle.

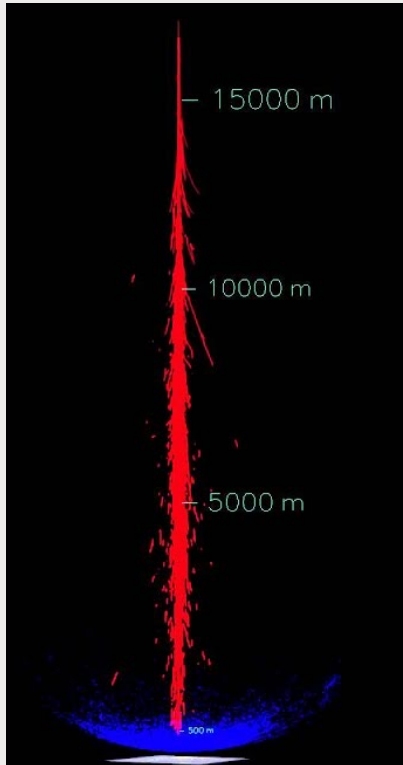
# Cherenkov radiation in the atmosphere



In 1948, [P.M.S. Blackett](#) suggested that secondary CR's should produce Cherenkov radiation which would account for a fraction  $10^{-4}$  of the total night sky light

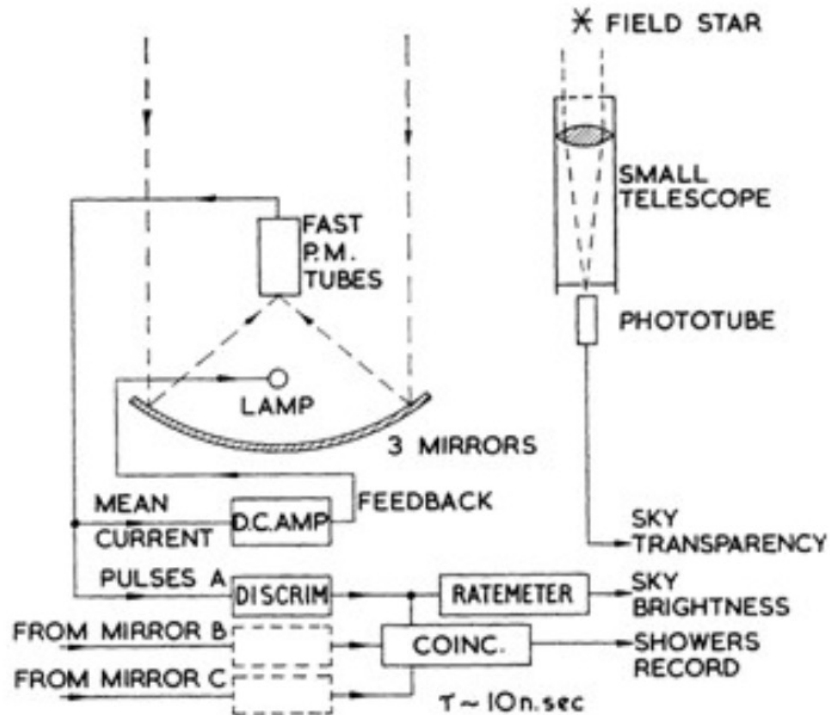
Pulses of Cherenkov light from air showers were first recorded by [Galbraith](#) and [Jelley](#) in 1953

# Cherenkov flashes

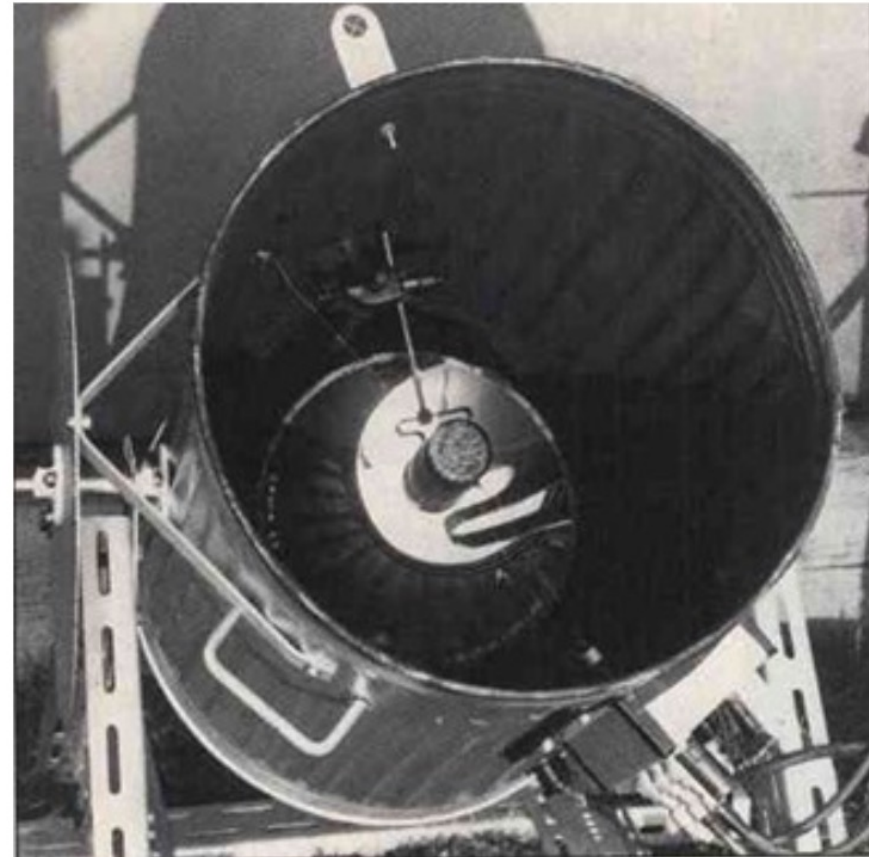


# Be creative

- The classical PMTs have radically improved the situation



Galbraith & Jelley, 1st telescope, 1953



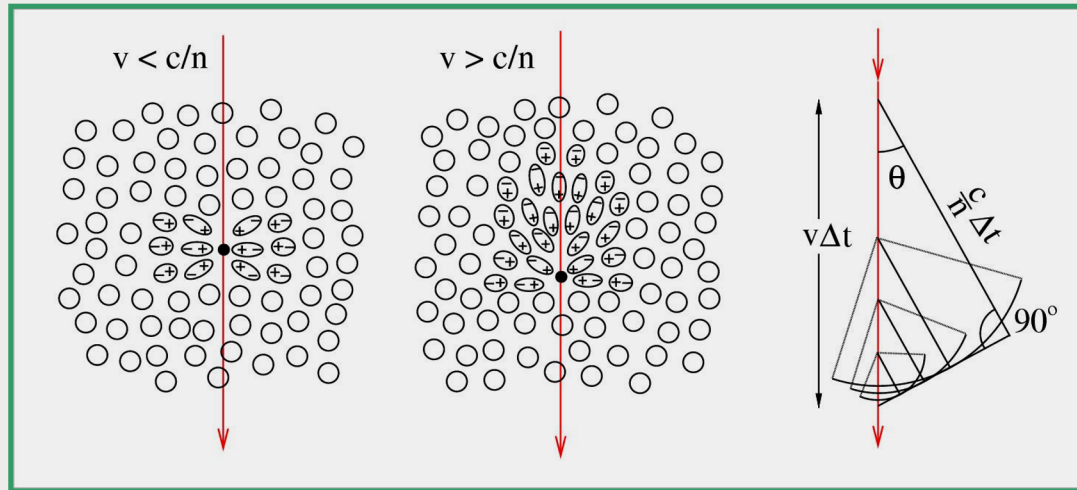


# The 1st large-scale instrument for $\gamma$ astronomy

Crimea, Chudakov et al., 1960-64



# Cherenkov Radiation – light ‘boom’

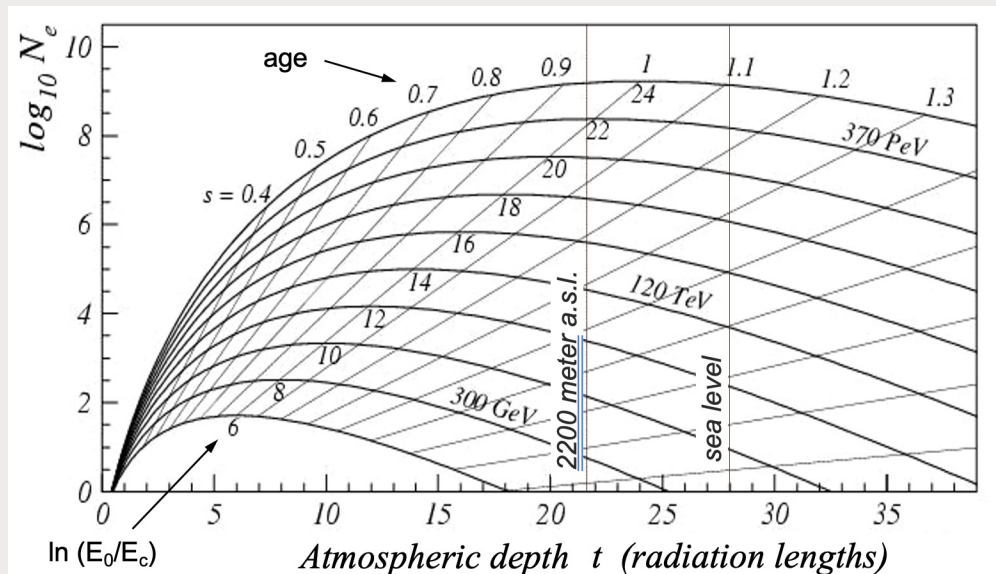


- Emitted whenever a charged particle traverses a medium at a speed larger than that of light in the medium
- The radiation results from the **reorientation of electric dipoles** induced by the charge in the medium.
- When  $v > c/n$  the contributions from different points of the trajectory arrive in phase at the observer as a **narrow light pulse**

# A model for Cherenkov emission

## Ingredients

- Model of the energy of primary electrons and positrons in the shower
- Model of the medium  $v > c/n$



Air density

$$\rho(h) = \rho_0 \cdot e^{-\frac{h}{h_0}} \quad h_0 = 7.1 \text{ km}$$

Refraction index

$$n = 1 + \eta_h = 1 + \eta_0 \cdot e^{-\frac{h}{h_0}}$$

$$\eta_0 = 2.9 \cdot 10^{-4}$$

at sea level



- Minimum energy for a charged particle to emit Cherenkov light

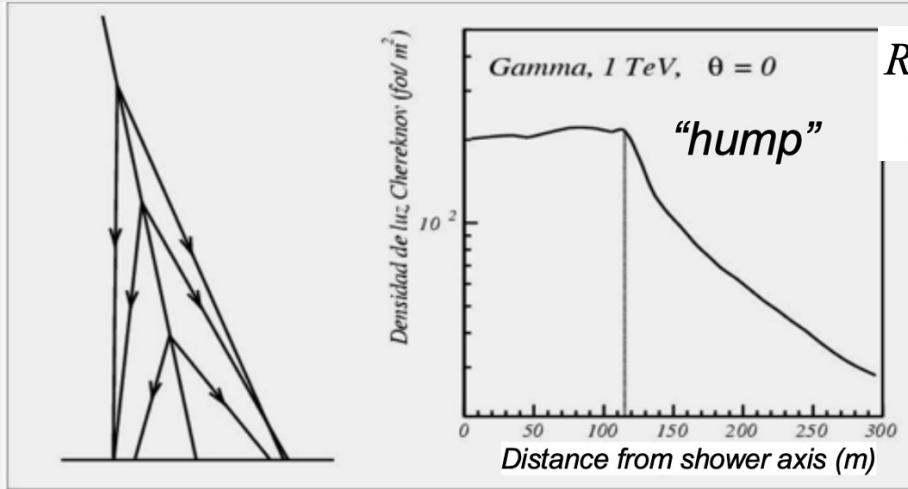
$$E_{min} = \frac{mc^2}{\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}} > \frac{mc^2}{\sqrt{1 - n^{-2}}} \sim \frac{mc^2}{\sqrt{2\eta_h}}$$

particle type	e±	μ±	p
E <sub>thr.</sub> @ sea level, GeV	0.021	4.4	38.9
@ 2 km a.s.l.	0.024	5.1	44.8
@ 10 km a.s.l.	0.043	8.9	78.6
@ 15 km a.s.l.	0.061	12.6	111.5

- Assuming  $\beta \sim 1$  the Cherenkov angle

$$\cos(\vartheta_{max}) = \frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{1 + \eta_h} \sim 1 - \eta_h$$

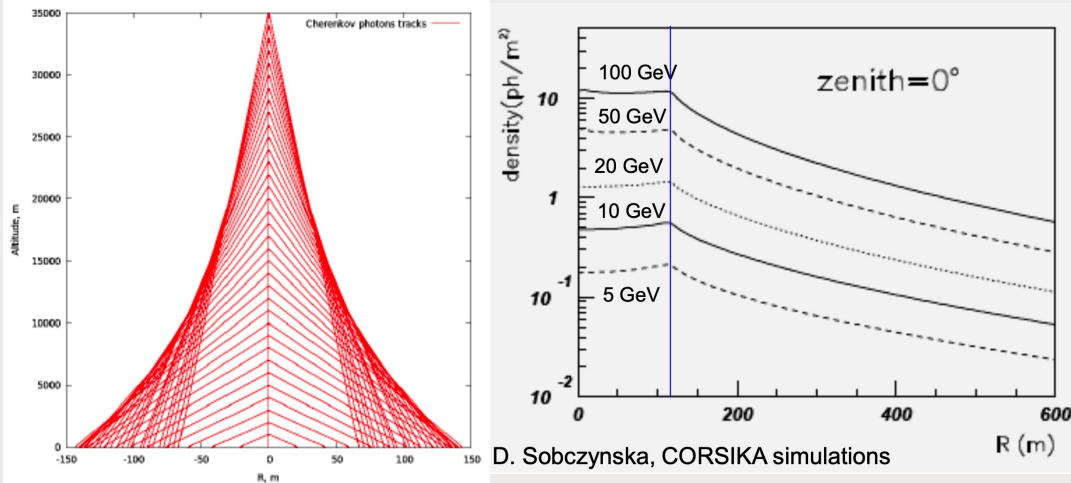
# Lateral distribution



$R_c$ : Distance from shower trajectory at which the C-photons hit the ground

$$R_c \equiv (h - h_{obs}) \cdot \tan \theta_{max} \quad \text{for } \beta = 1$$

- Hump position depends only on observation altitude but not on energy



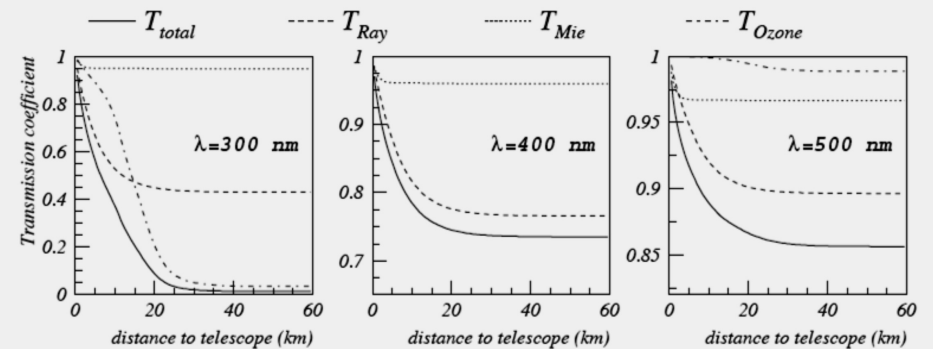
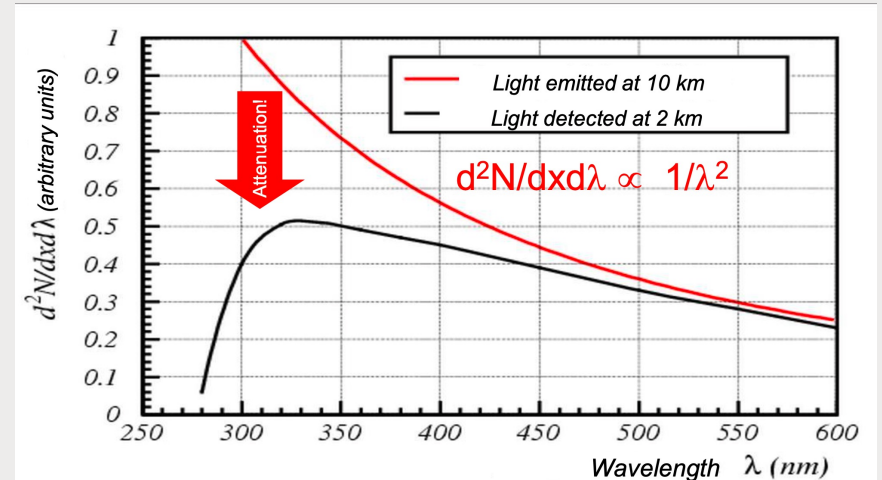
# Photon yield and absorption

$$\frac{dN}{dx} = 2\pi\alpha \cdot \left( \frac{1}{\lambda_1} - \frac{1}{\lambda_2} \right) \cdot \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\beta^2 n^2} \right)$$

Slant depth, g/cm <sup>2</sup>	100	300	800	1036
Height a.s.l., km	16	10	2.2	0
Number of emitted C-photons/m	4.5	13	35	45

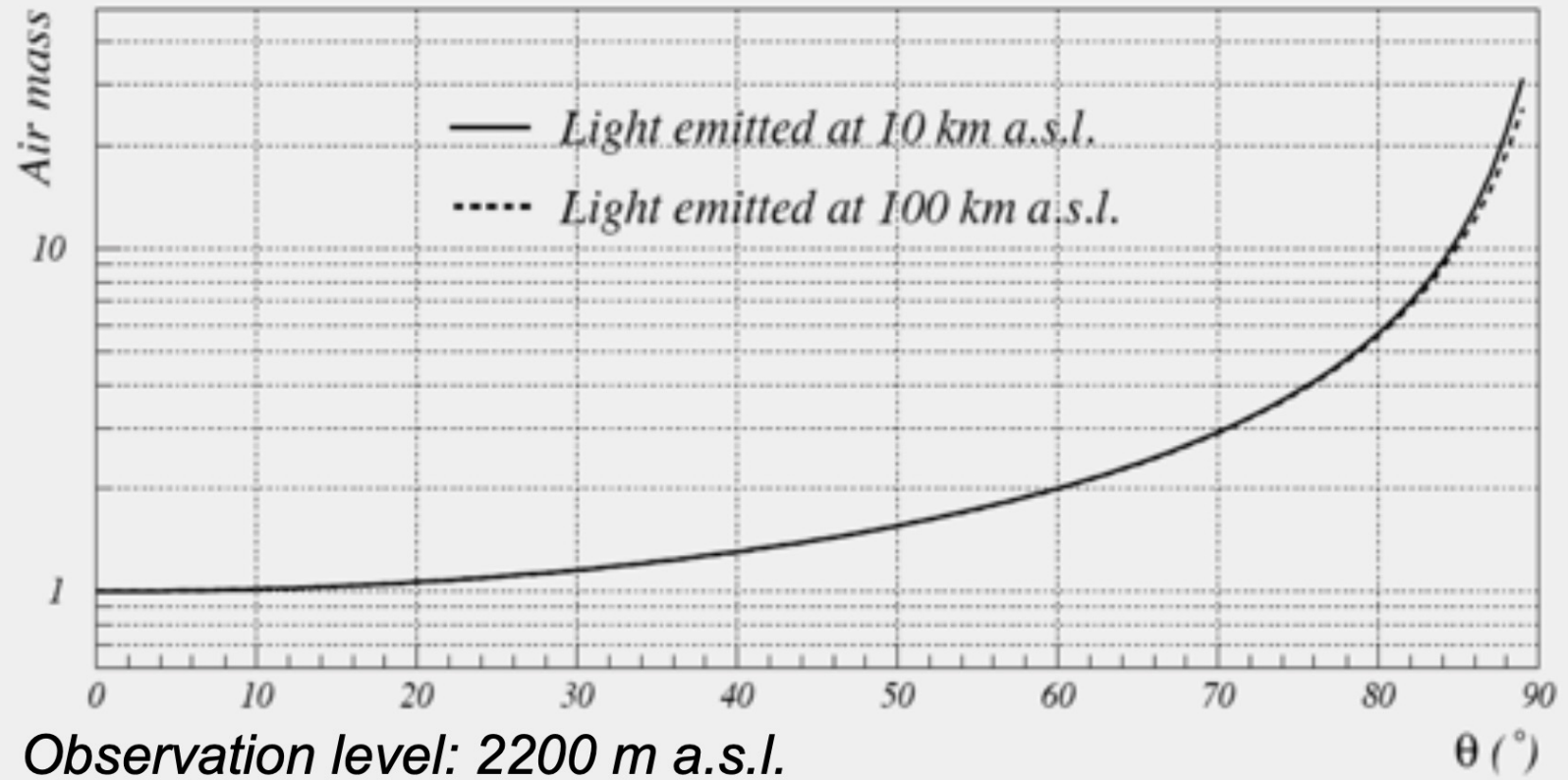
Image from low-energy showers (less particles) have lower density at ground

Peak in the UV-Blue (300nm)

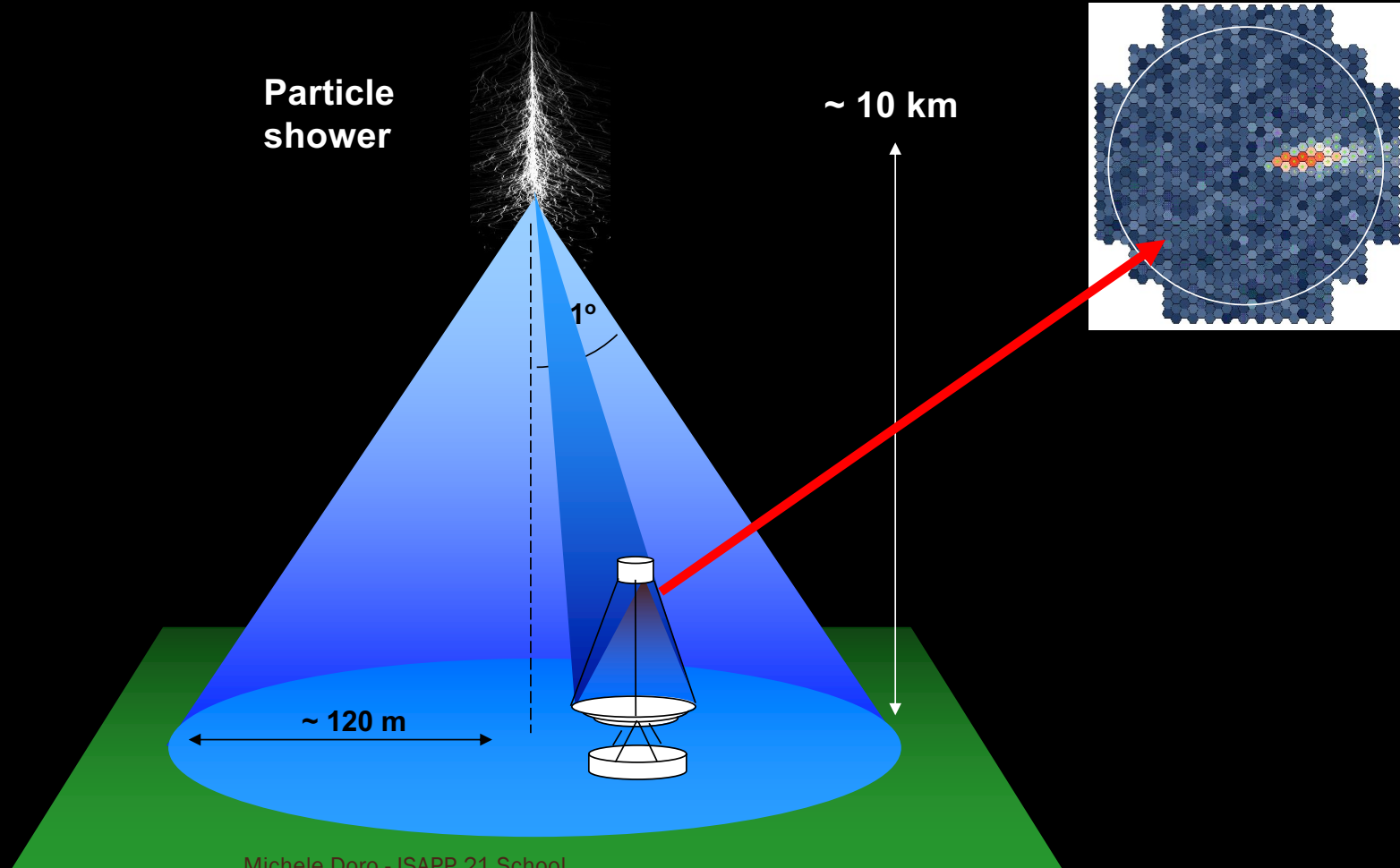


# Attenuation in function of elevation

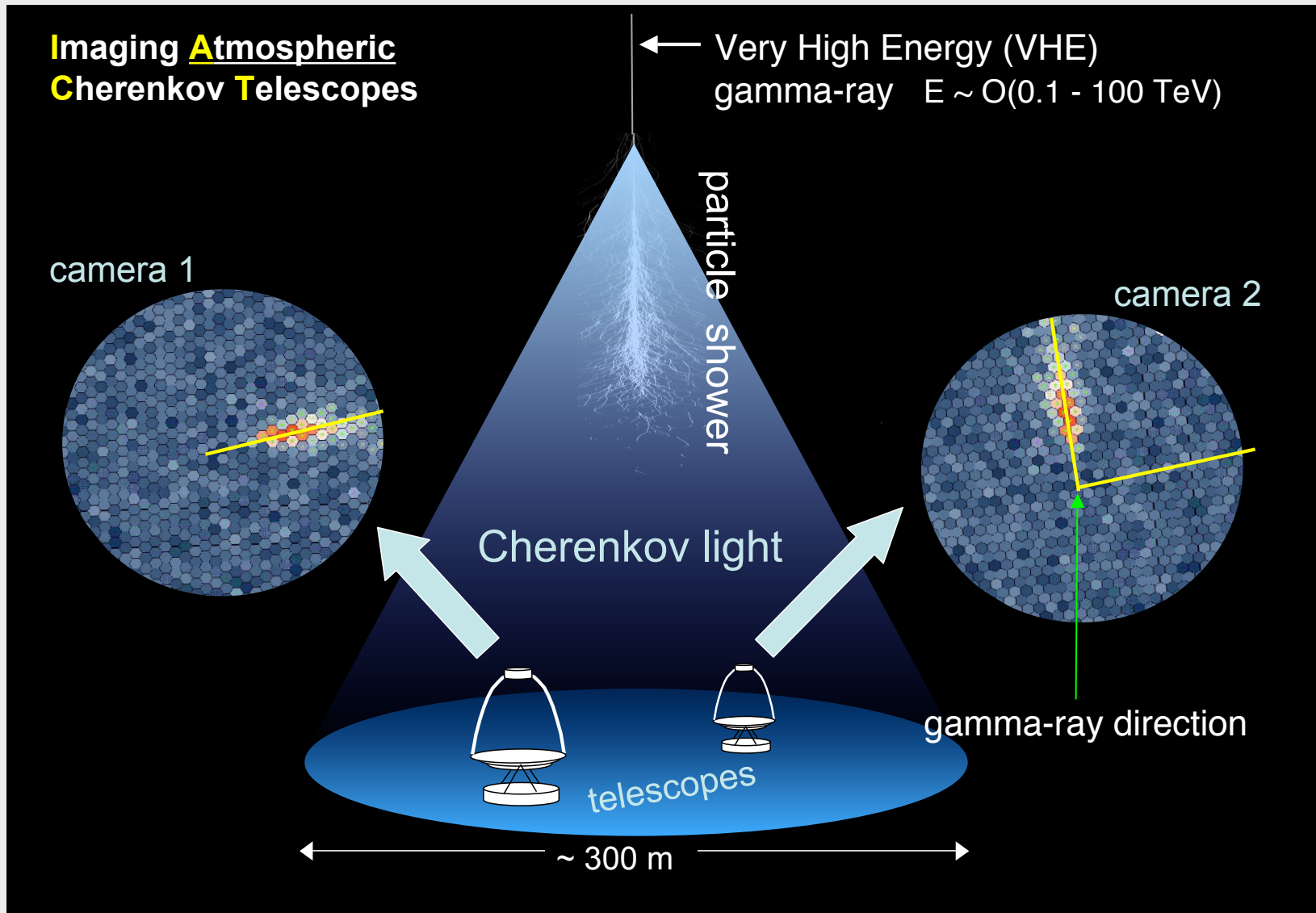
Air mass: ratio between the traversed atmospheric mass ( $\text{g}/\text{cm}^2$ ) at z.a.  $\theta$  and that at vertical incidence



# Detection of TeV gamma rays using Cherenkov telescopes



# Imaging Atmospheric Cherenkov Telescopes

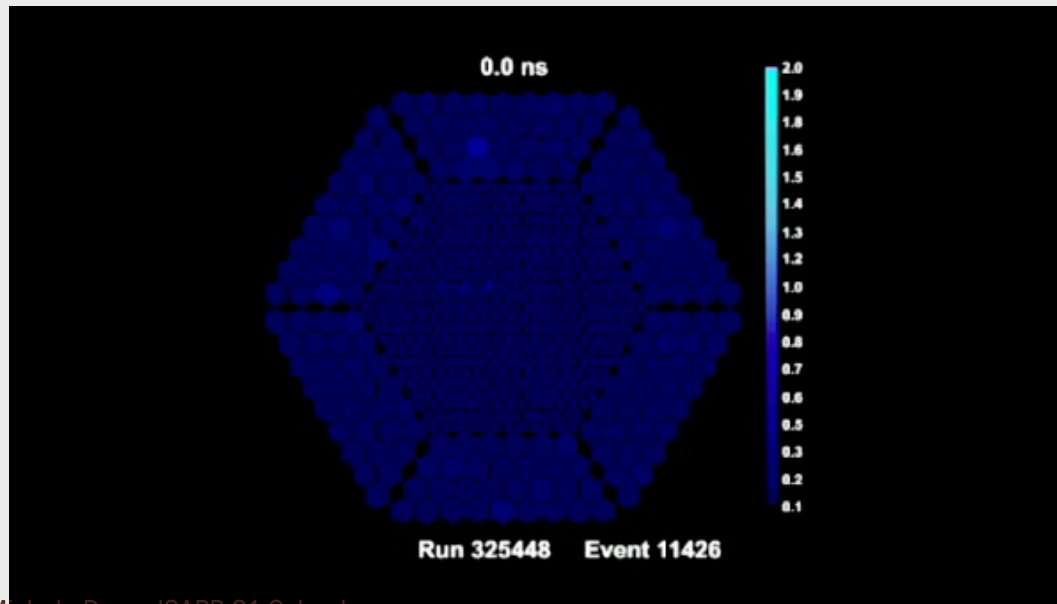




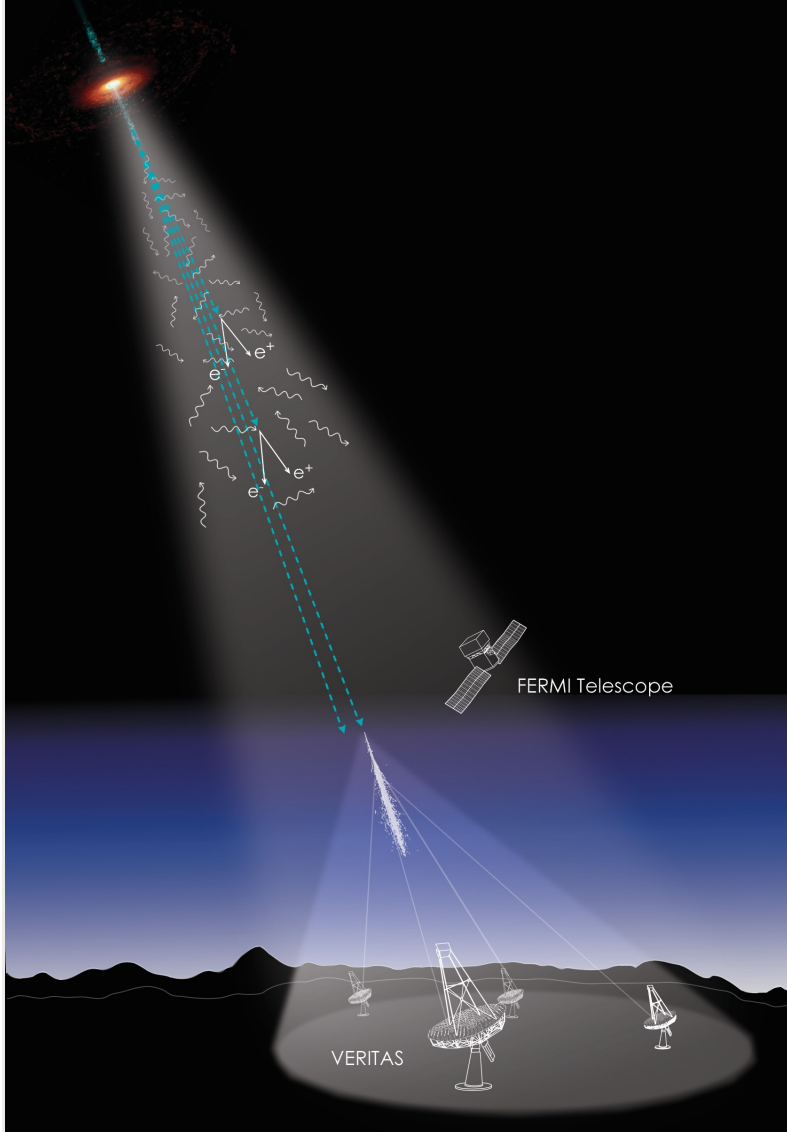
~1 picture/sec



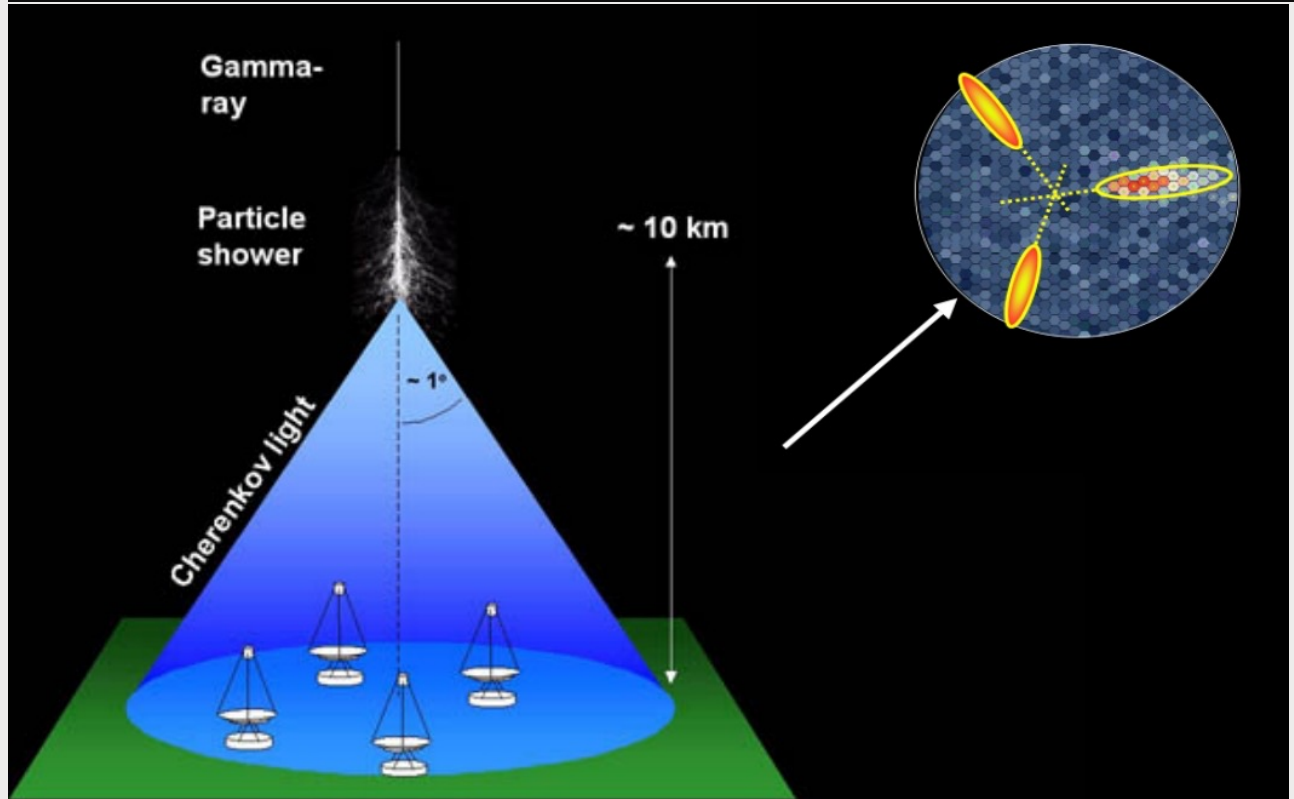
$2 \times 10^9$  pictures/sec!



Credit: Nina McCurdy and Joel R. Primack/UC-HiPACC



- Figure of merits of current generation:
- FOV 5x5 deg
  - 50 GeV- 100 TeV
  - Eff.Area  $\sim 10^5$ - $10^6$  m<sup>2</sup>
  - Dark time:  $\sim 1000$  h/year
  - $\sim 10$ -50 h source for detection
  - $\sim 0.1$  angular resolution
  - $\sim 10$ -20% energy resolution

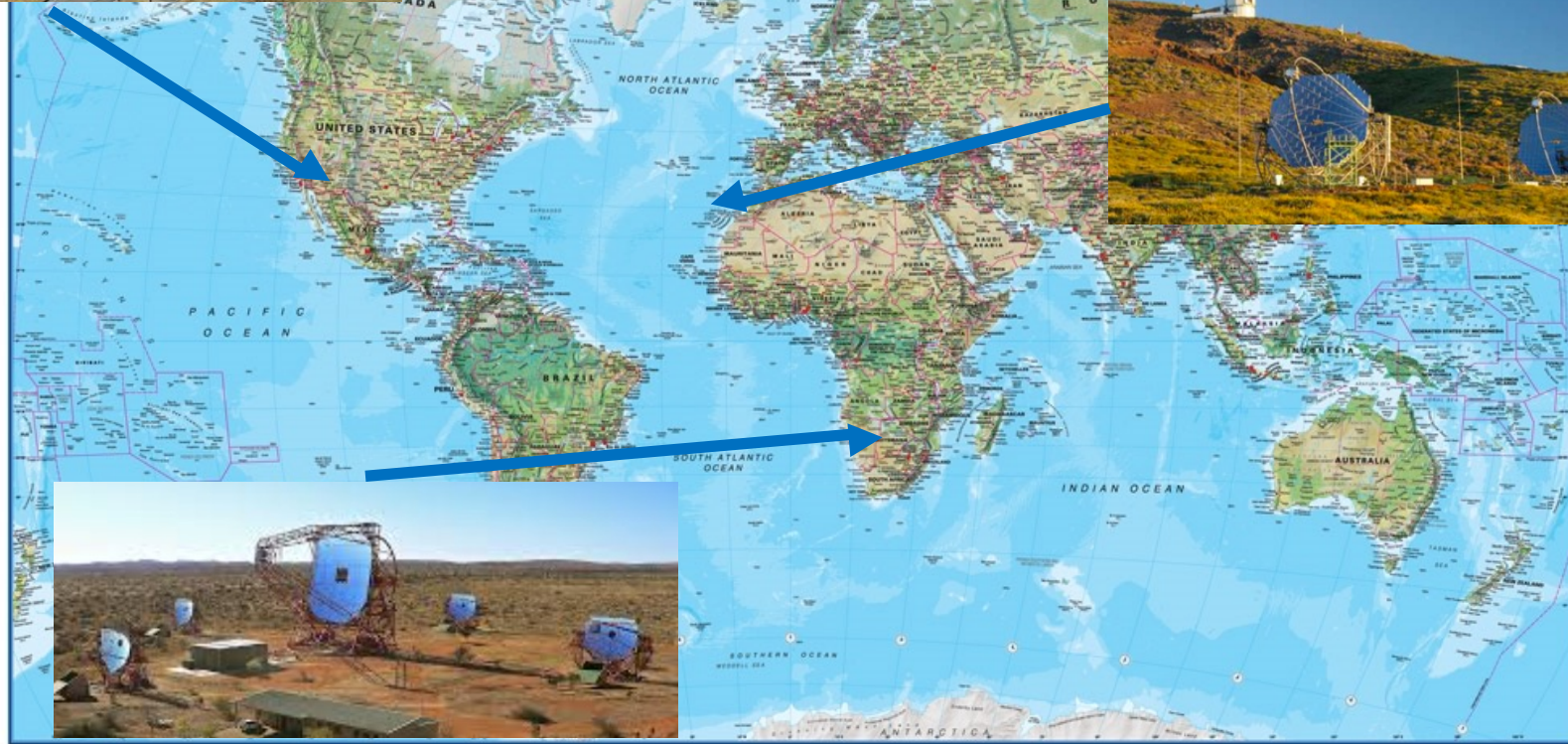
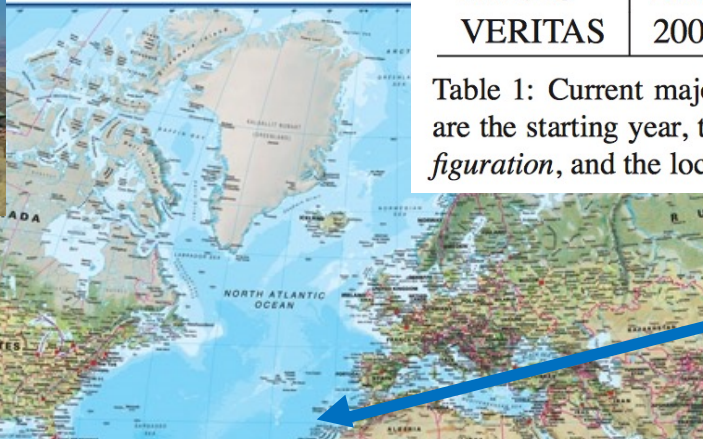




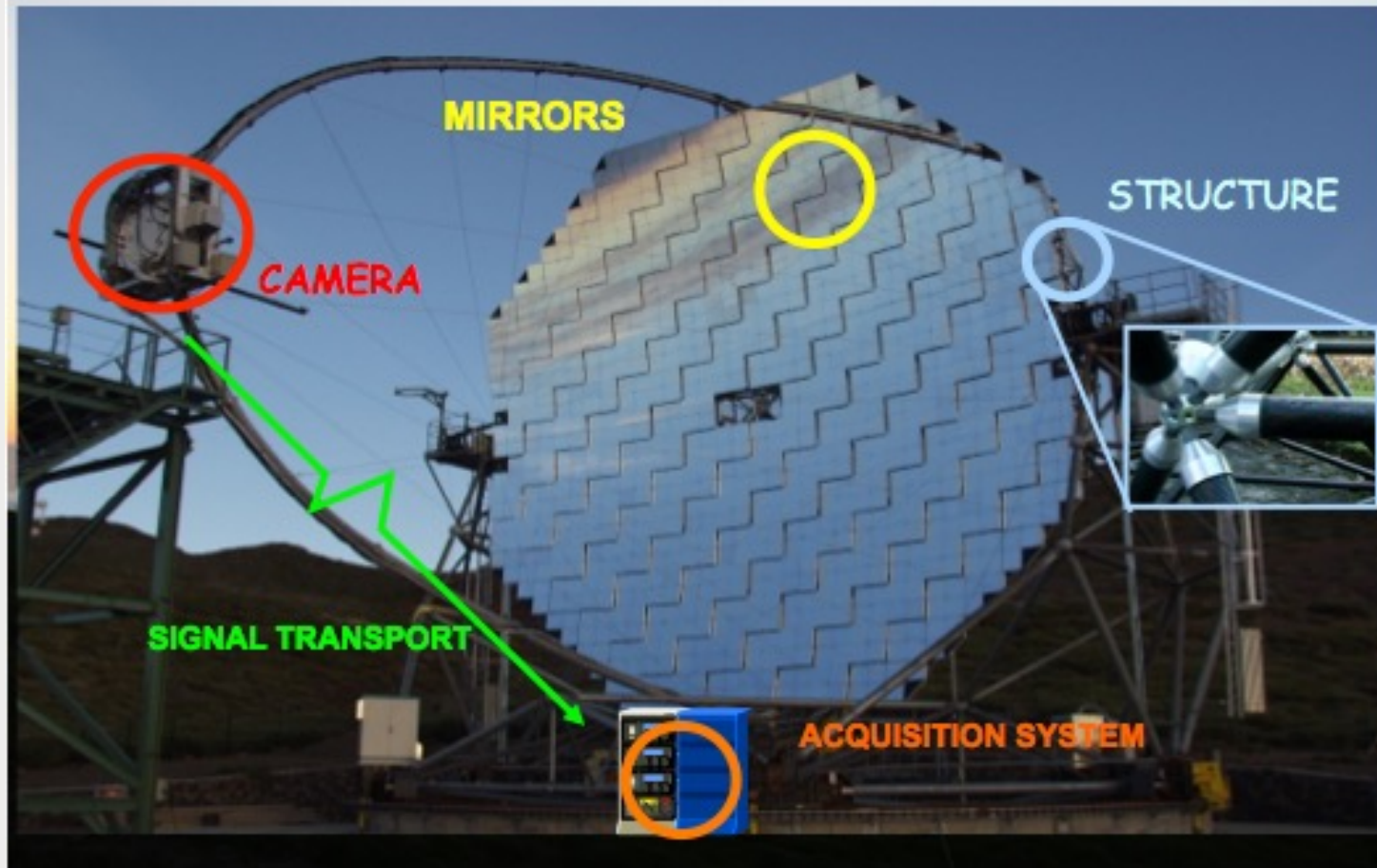
# Current IACTs

IACT	Year	Nr. tels & diameter	Location
<del>Whipple</del>	<del>1968</del>	<del>1×12 m</del>	<del>Arizona, USA</del>
H.E.S.S.	2003	4×12 m+1×28 m	Gamborg, Namibia
MAGIC	2004	2×17 m	La Palma, Spain
VERITAS	2007	4×12 m	Arizona, USA

Table 1: Current major operating ground-based Cherenkov telescopes. Given are the starting year, the array multiplicity and dish diameter *in the latest configuration*, and the location.  
 MD NIMA742 (2014) 99-106



# Key technological elements for **MAGIC**



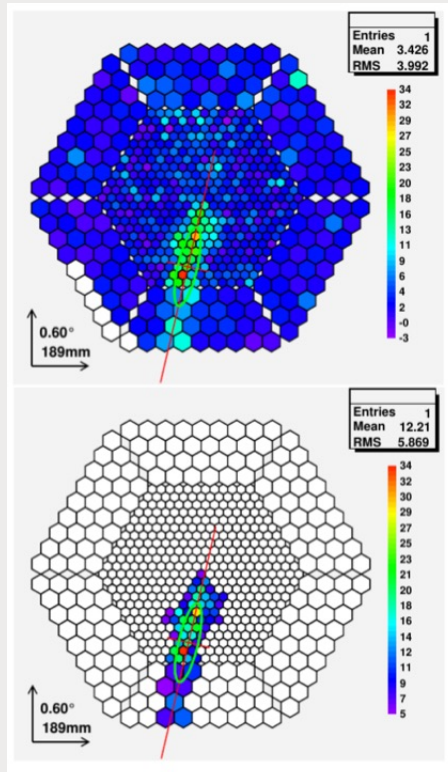
# Events rate and selection

- During data-taking, e.g., MAGIC acquires @ 200 Hz. *These are mostly hadronic showers. Gamma-rays are less than 1/1000 of this rate.*
- During data reconstruction, **only 1/1000 hadronic events survive** (very energy dependent)

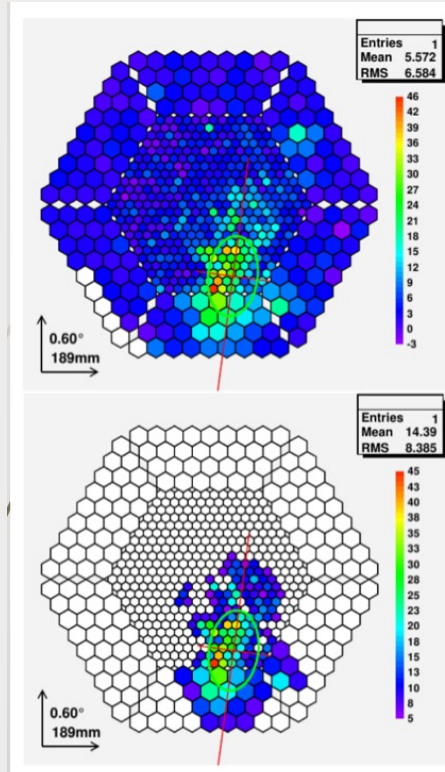


# Events classes

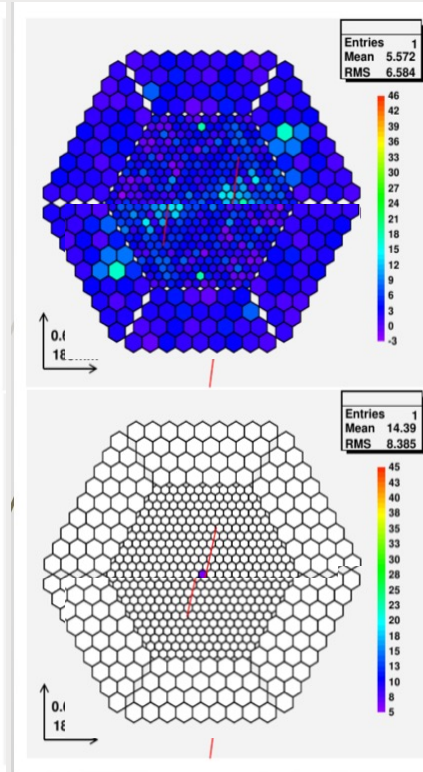
Gamma (the good)



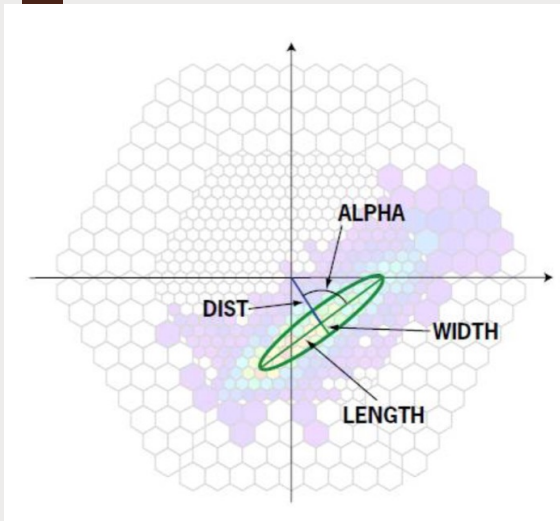
Hadron (the bad)



NSB (the ugly)



# Event tagging

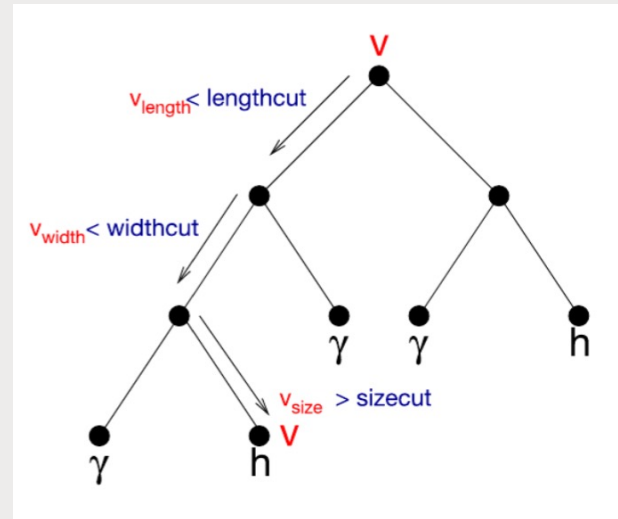


**1**

You “clean” the image and extract shape parameters

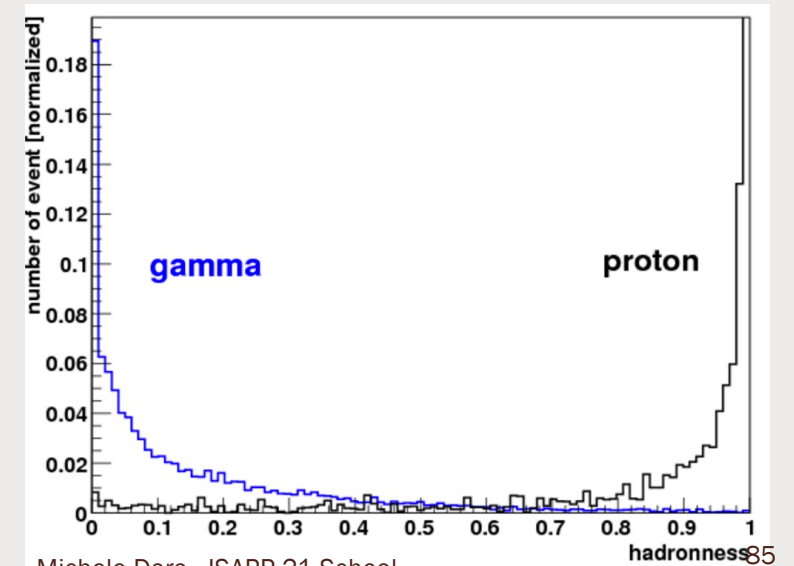
**2**

You make a Random Forest is a collection of decision trees, by comparing with Monte Carlo



**3**

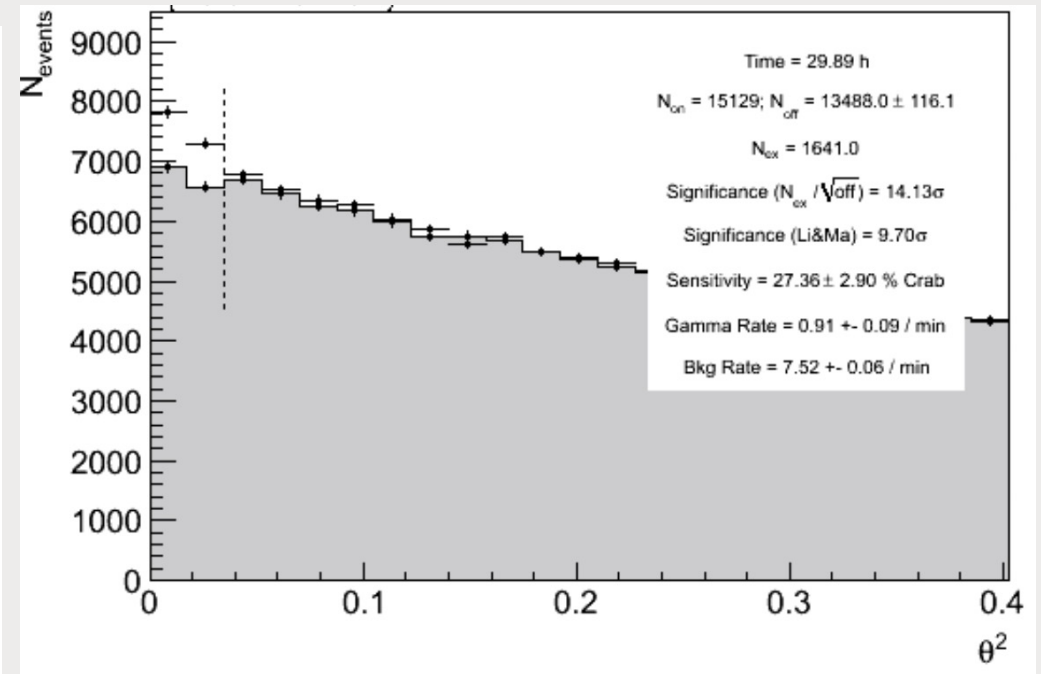
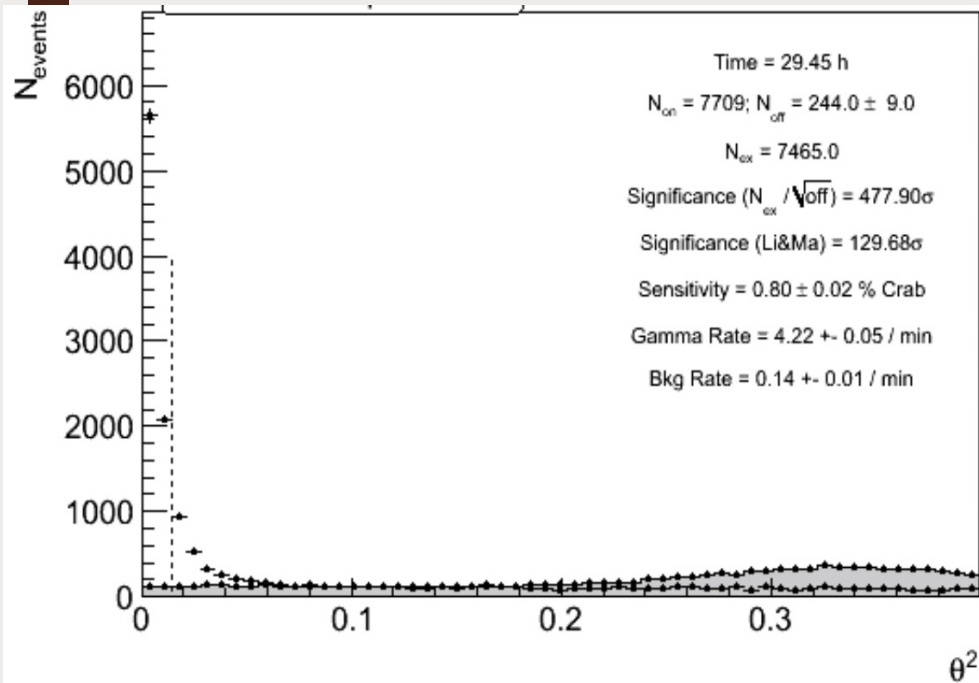
You have classified events according to “hadronness” and start to make cuts

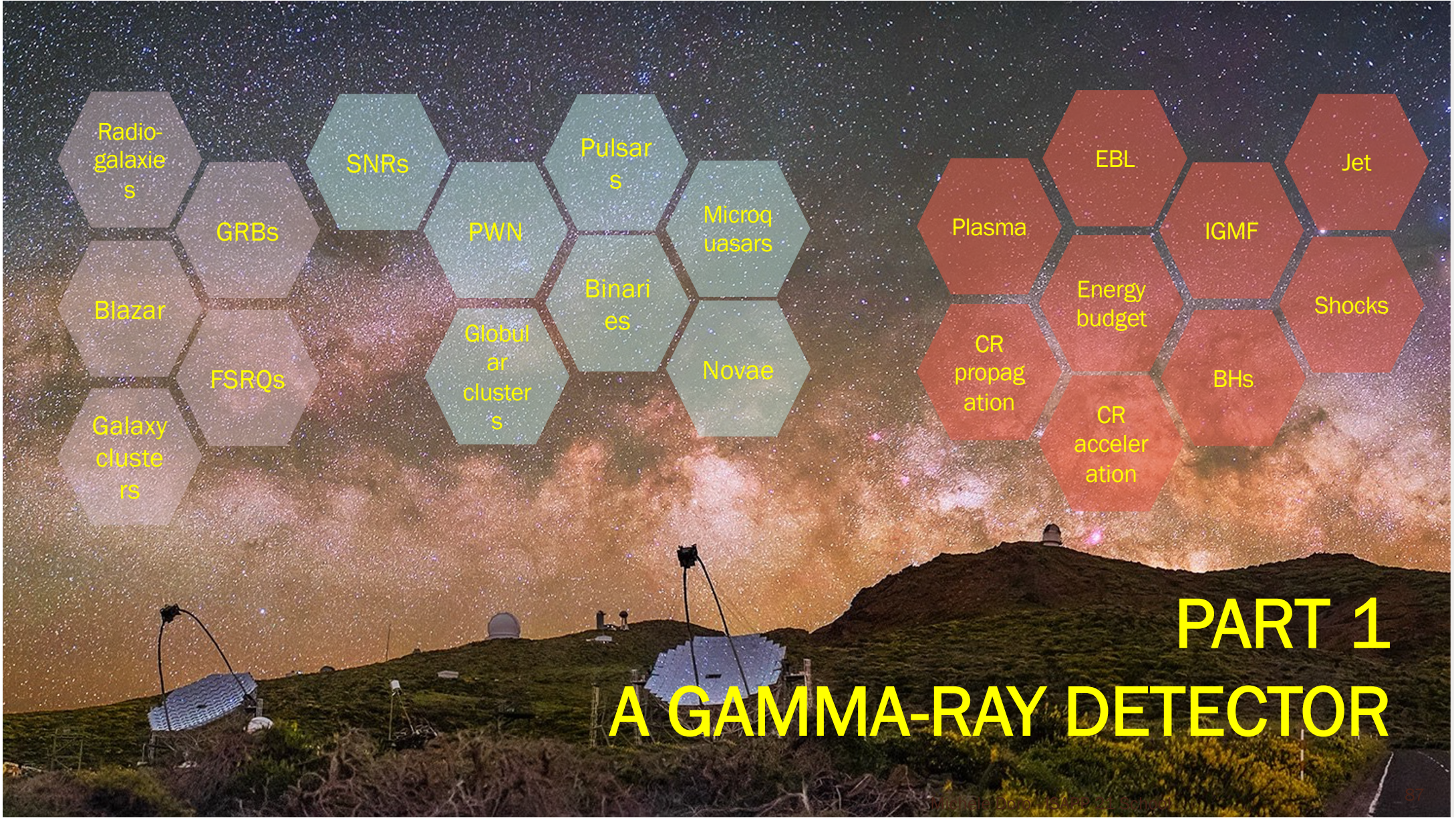


# Some background survives

● Strong!

➤ Weak





Radio-galaxies

GRBs

SNRs

PWN

Pulsars

Microquasars

Plasma

EBL

IGMF

Jet

Blazar

FSRQs

Globular clusters

Binaries

Novae

Energy budget

BHs

Shocks

Galaxy clusters

CR propagation

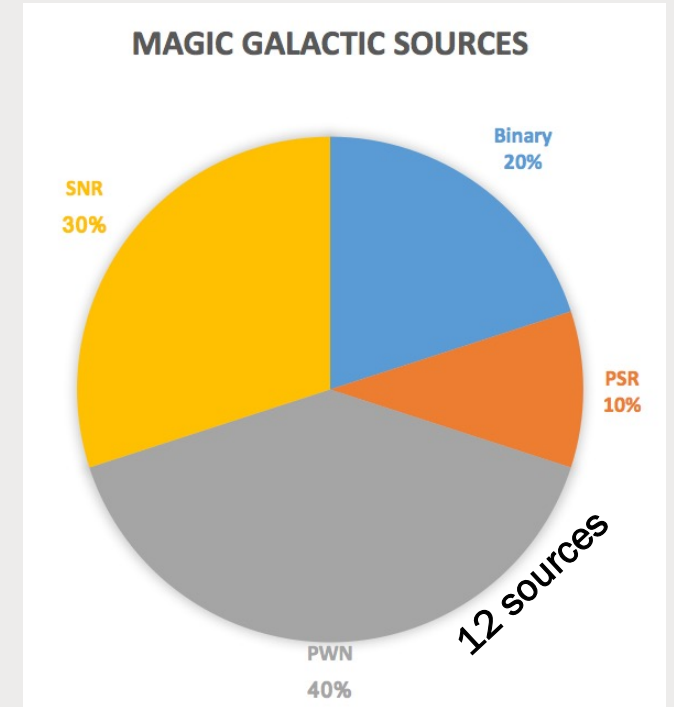
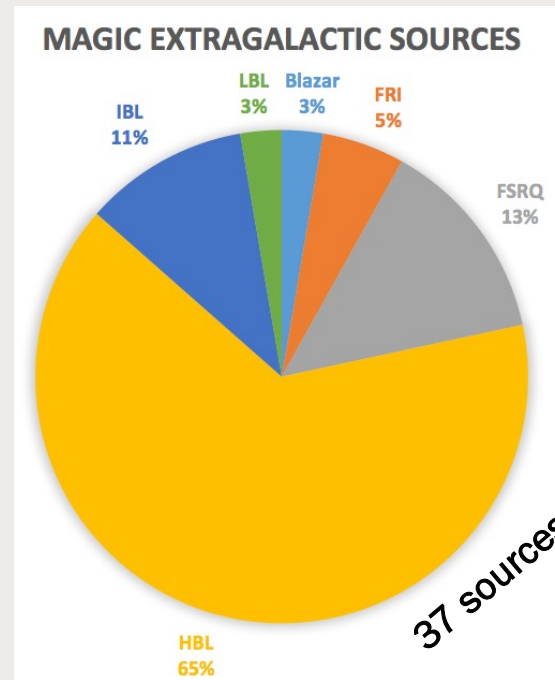
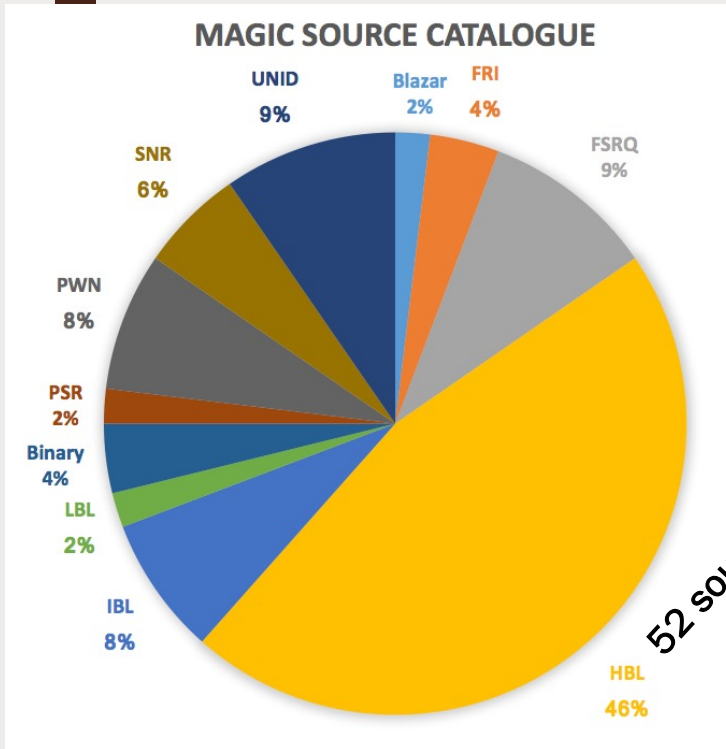
CR acceleration

# PART 1

# A GAMMA-RAY DETECTOR

# The MAGIC “catalogues”

From TeVCat 2.0 <http://tevcat2.uchicago.edu>



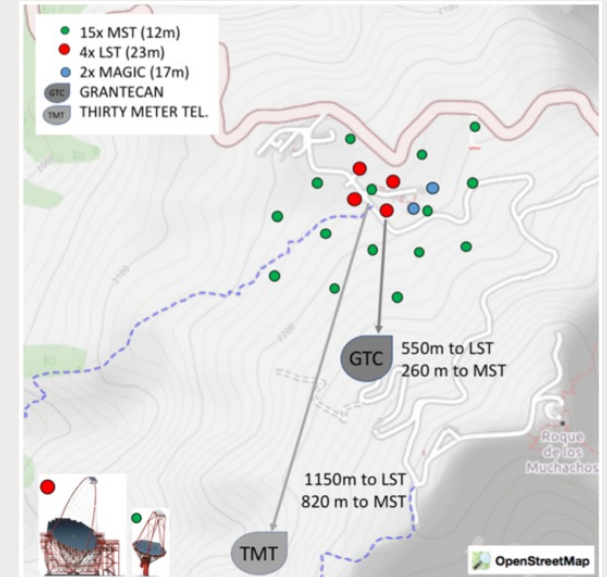
- Wide extragalactic and galactic catalogues
- MAGIC hunts the farthest objects due to lowest energy threshold



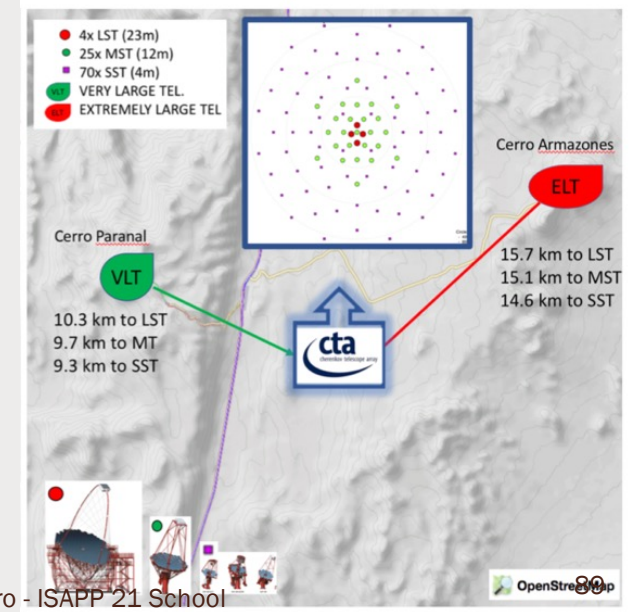
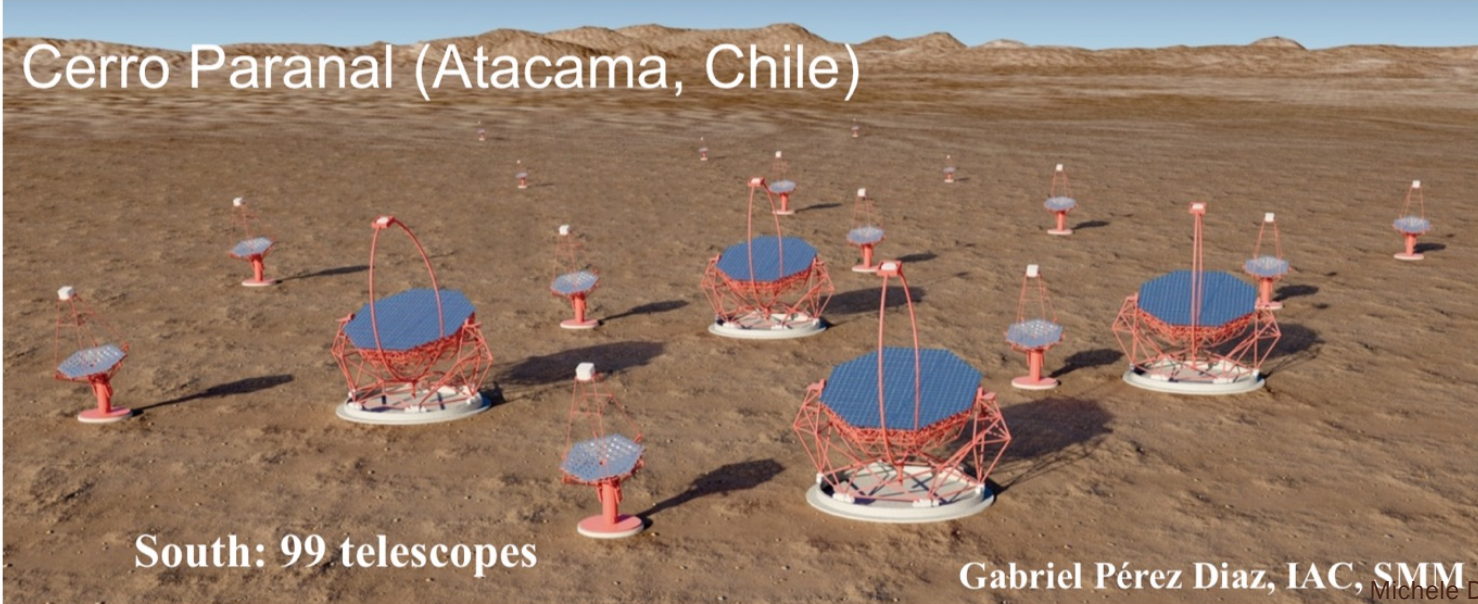
# Two CTA arrays

M.Gaug, MD, MNRAS accepted 10.1093/mnras/sty2188→

## La Palma (Canary Islands, Spain)

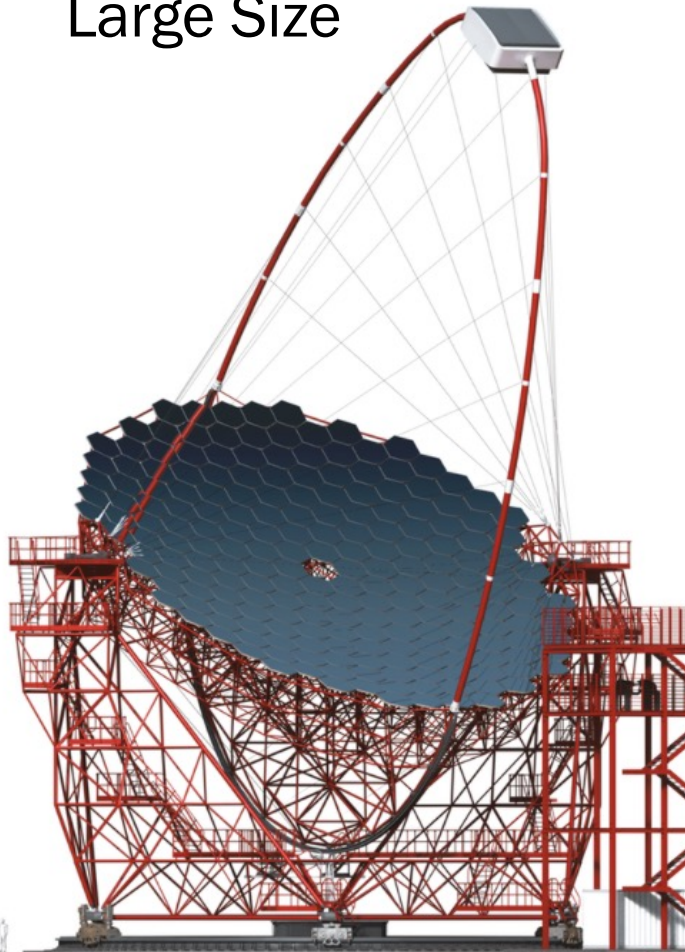


## Cerro Paranal (Atacama, Chile)

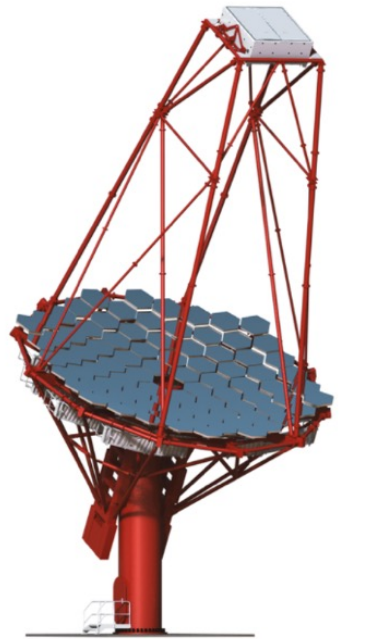


# Three telescope sizes

Large Size



Medium Size

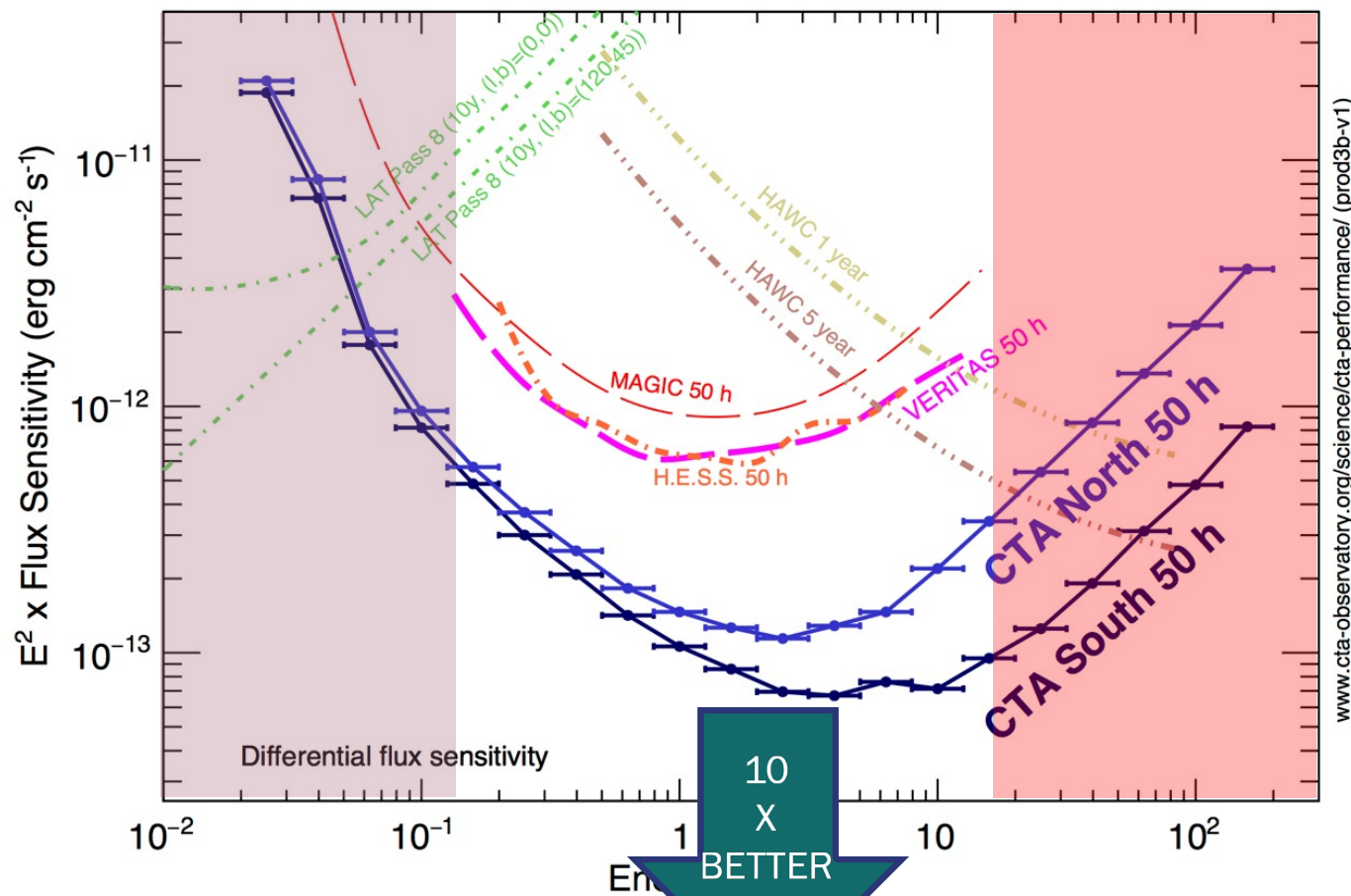


2017 Begin Pre-Construction  
2022 Begin Operation  
2022-25 Commissioning and Early Science  
2024/5 Construction completion

Small Size

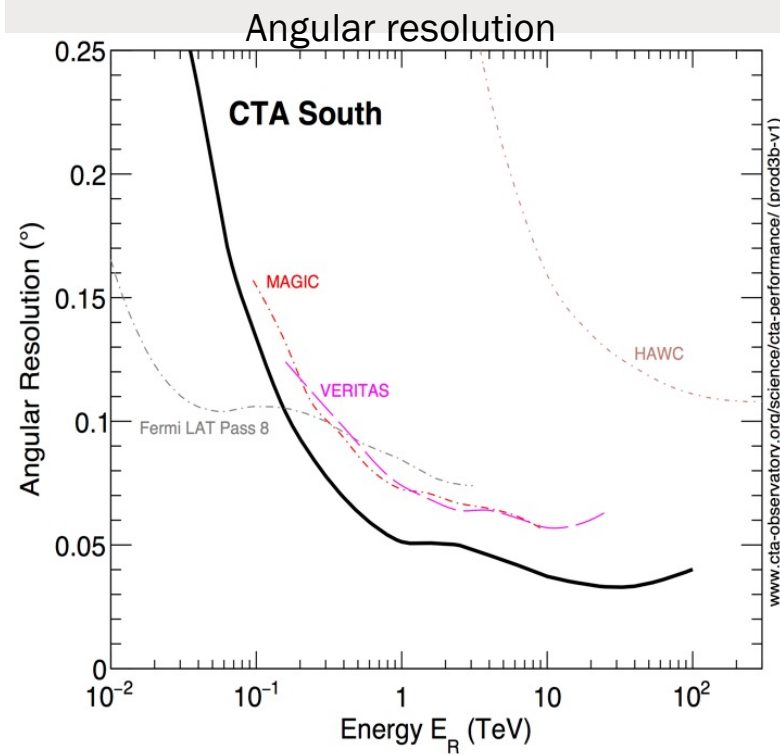
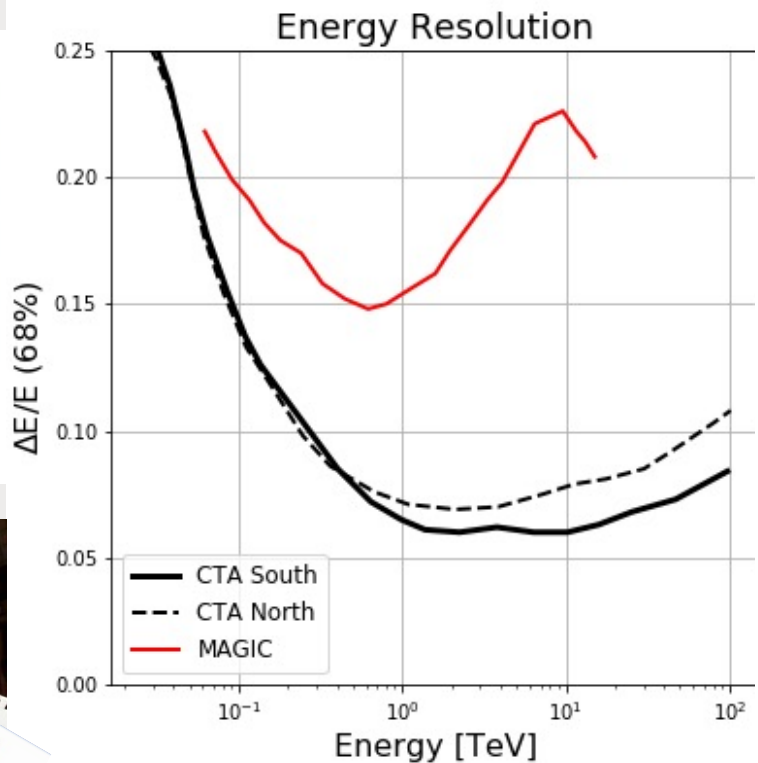
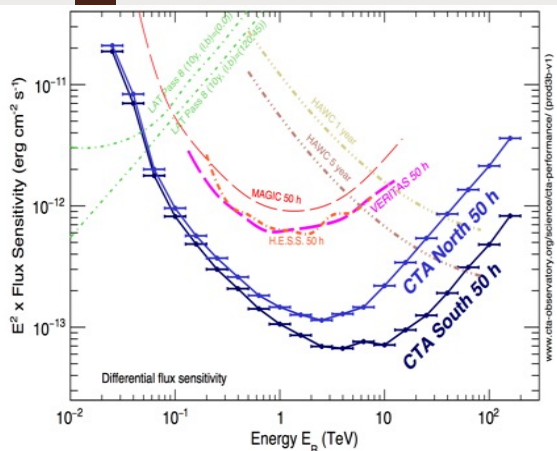


# A sensitivity leap



www.cta-observatory.org/science/cta-performance/ (prod3b-v1)

# CTA energy and angular resolution



→ spectral features

→ Morphology discrimination



**Monitoring  
4 telescopes**

- It would be even better if somebody told us where dark subhalos could be...
- Fermi-LAT follow ups?

**Very deep field**



**Survey mode:  
Full sky at current  
sensitivity in  $\sim 1$  year**



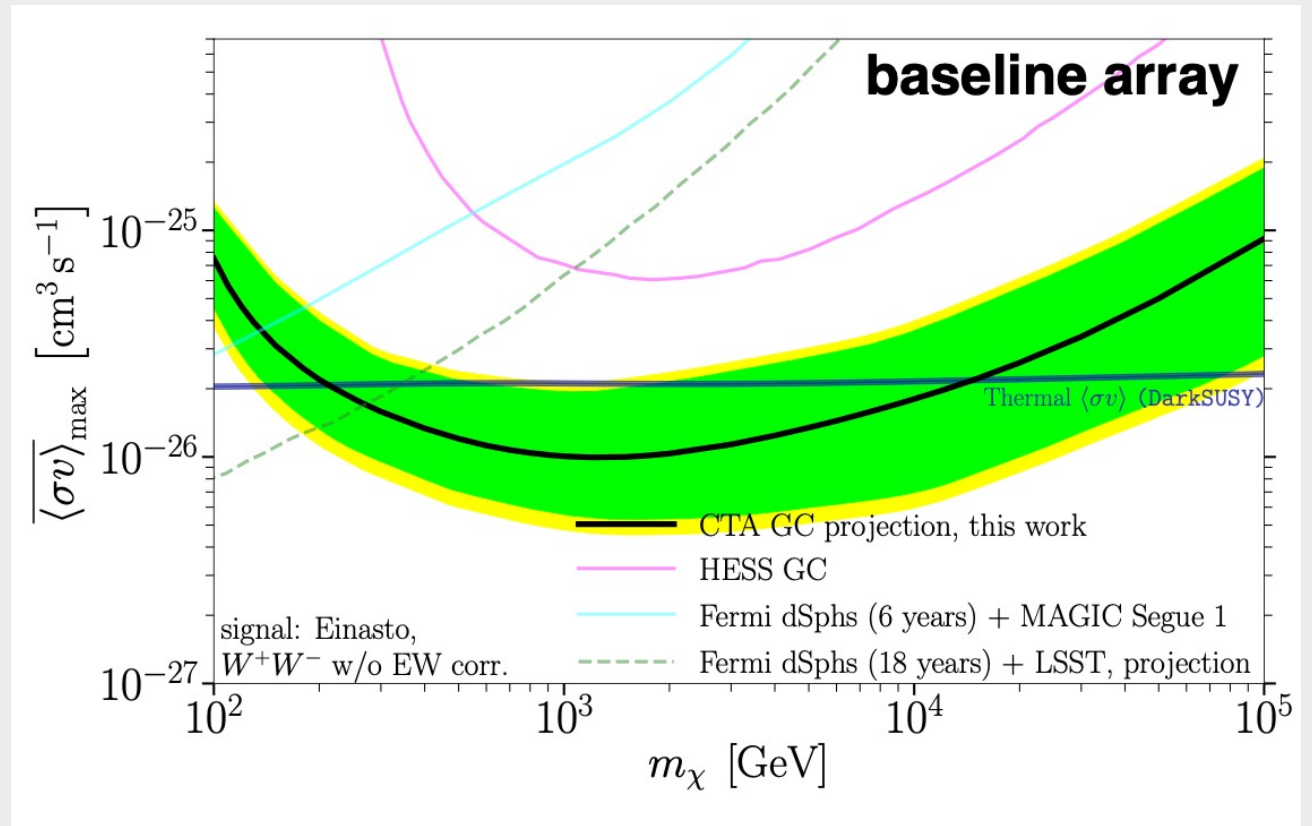
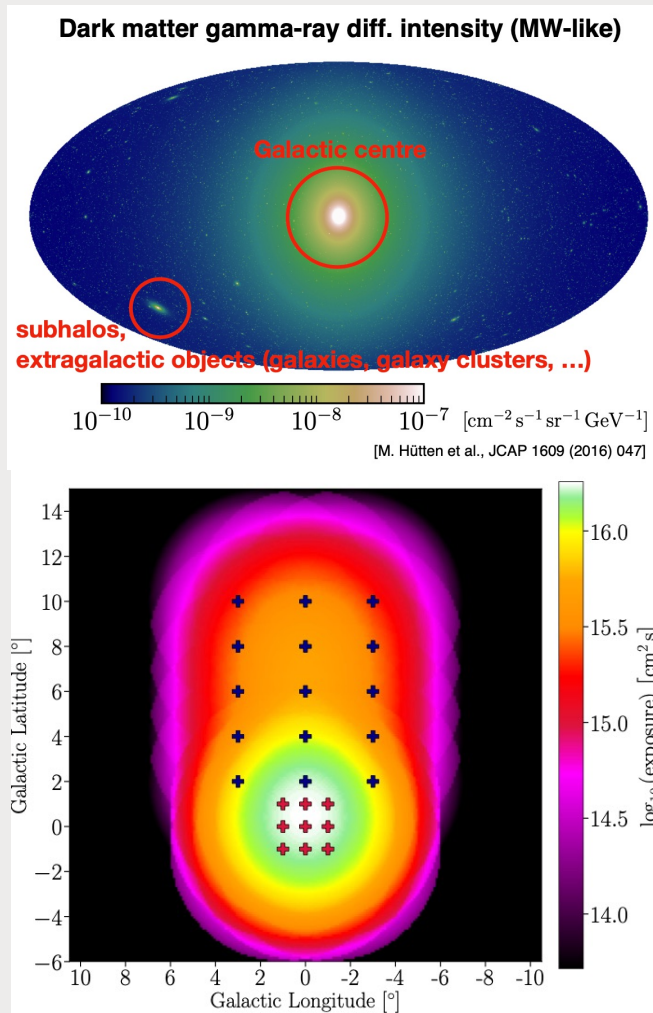
**Deep field  
 $\sim 1/3$  of telescopes**



**Survey programs:**

- the Galactic plane
- a quarter of the sky

# CTA and dark matter



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# CTA

## Introduction

The **Cherenkov Telescope Array** (CTA) is the next generation ground-based observatory for gamma-ray astronomy at very-high energies. Gammapy is a prototype for the CTA science tools (see [2017arXiv170901751D](#)).

This page provides a little bit of information and links to useful resources concerning simulation and analysis of CTA data with Gammapy. Most of the pages we link to here require a CTA user account to access the information.

## Getting started

To learn how to use Gammapy for CTA analysis, use the **Gammapy tutorials**. We suggest you do the "Getting started with Gammapy" one first, and then continue with "CTA first data challenge (1DC) with Gammapy" and "CTA data analysis with Gammapy" and finally the "CTA 2D source fitting with Sherpa".

If you have questions, please post on the Gammapy CTA mailing list or contact the Gammapy coordination committee (see [Gammapy contacts page](#))

Please note that Gammapy is a very young project and is under heavy development. At the moment we are participating in the CTA first data challenge, fixing issues and adding new functionality for CTA.

## 🏠 Data formats for gamma-ray astronomy

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```
# Hiring 4 Python?
while is_open(job):
    try:
        # Hire easier!
        promote(RTD)
    finally:
        print('HIRED')
```

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### ⚠ Caution

This is a Work-In-Progress draft for the next iteration of the standard. To view the latest released version of the standard, visit <https://gamma-astro-data-formats.readthedocs.io/en/v0.2/>

# Data formats for gamma-ray astronomy



A place to propose and share data format descriptions for gamma-ray astronomy.

- Repository: <https://github.com/open-gamma-ray-astro/gamma-astro-data-formats>
- Docs: <https://gamma-astro-data-formats.readthedocs.io/>
- Mailing list: <https://lists.nasa.gov/mailman/listinfo/open-gamma-ray-astro>

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# Last week - ESCAPE

<https://escape2020.github.io/school2021/>

The screenshot shows the ESCAPE School 2021 website. At the top, there is a navigation menu with buttons for 'Coding', 'Day 1' through 'Day 7', 'Day 8', 'Day 9', 'Julia', 'Jupyter', 'ML', 'Python', 'README', and 'Spark'. Below the menu is a grid of article cards:

- Welcome** (20/05/2021) by Thomas Vuillaume, 2 minutes read. Icon: A dashed box with the word 'WELCOME' inside.
- Keynote Reproducible Science** (10/05/2021) by Rachael Ainsworth, 1 minute read. Icon: A computer monitor displaying a bar chart and a pie chart.
- Seminar - AI in Cosmological Experiments** (06/05/2021) by Prof. Ofer Lahav, 1 minute read. Icon: A telescope on a tripod.
- Environment Setup** (10/05/2021) by Enrique Garcia, 1 minute read. Icon: Logos for Python, Jupyter, and a green circular logo.
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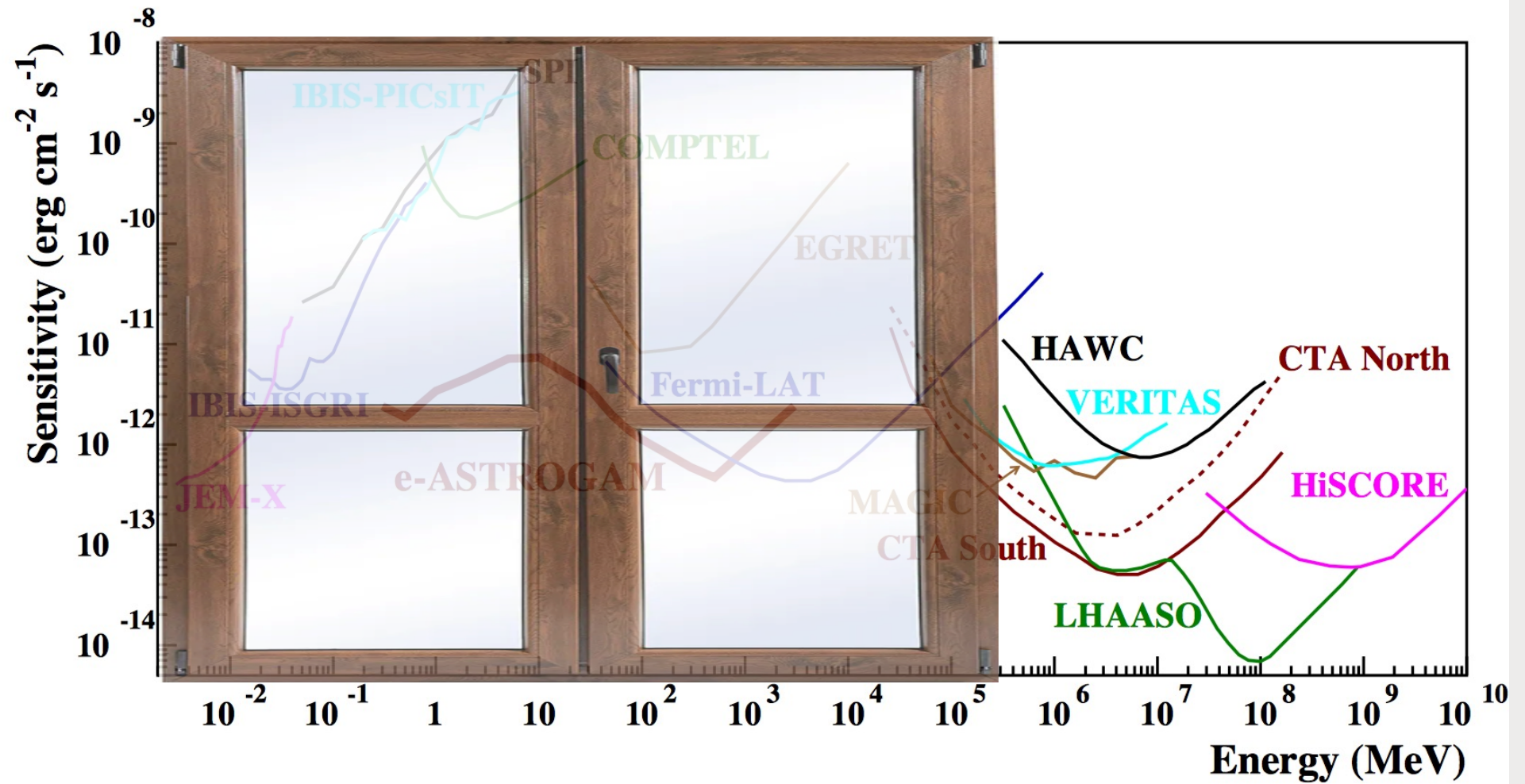


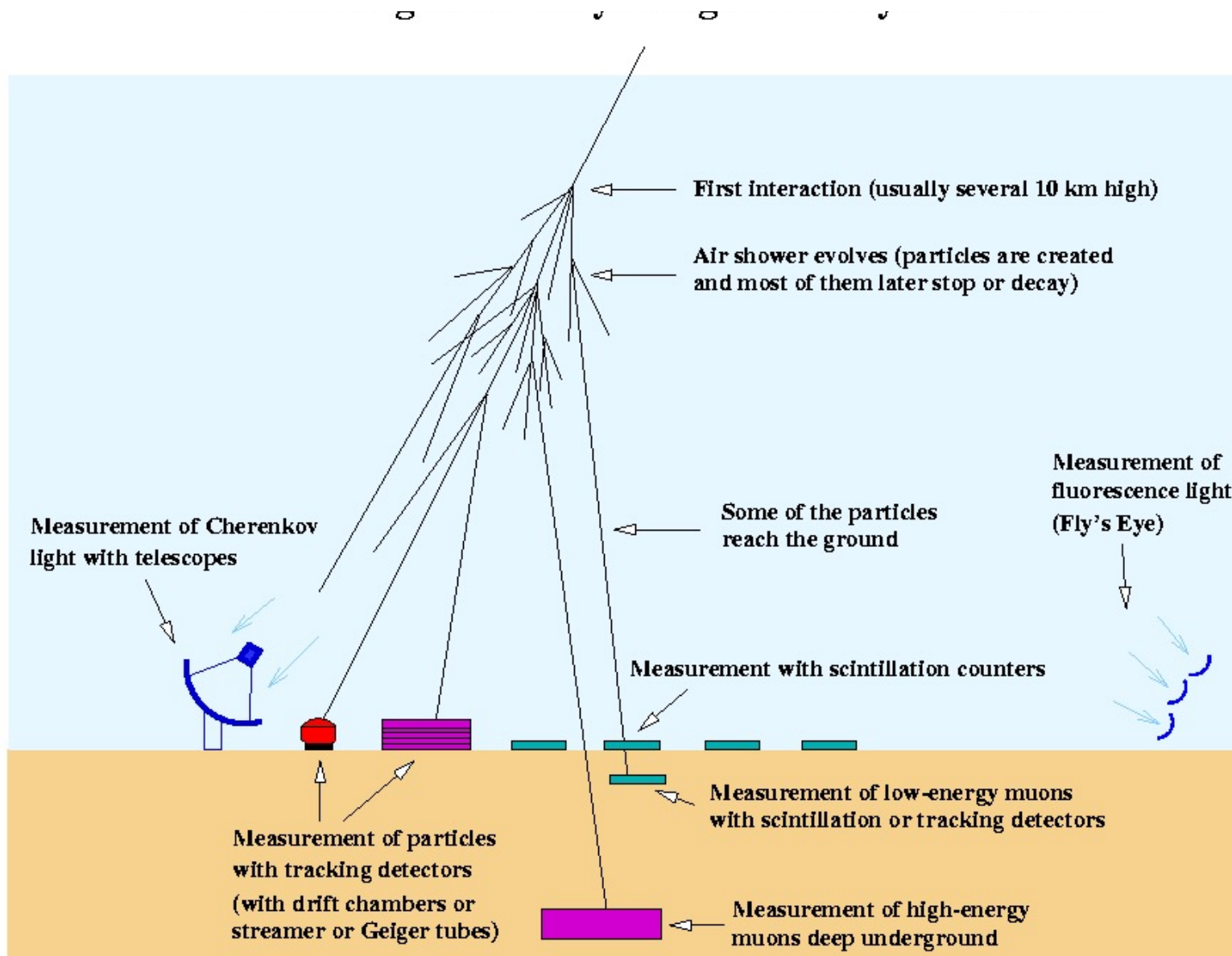
GROUND-TEV-WIDE FOV

SHOWER FRONT



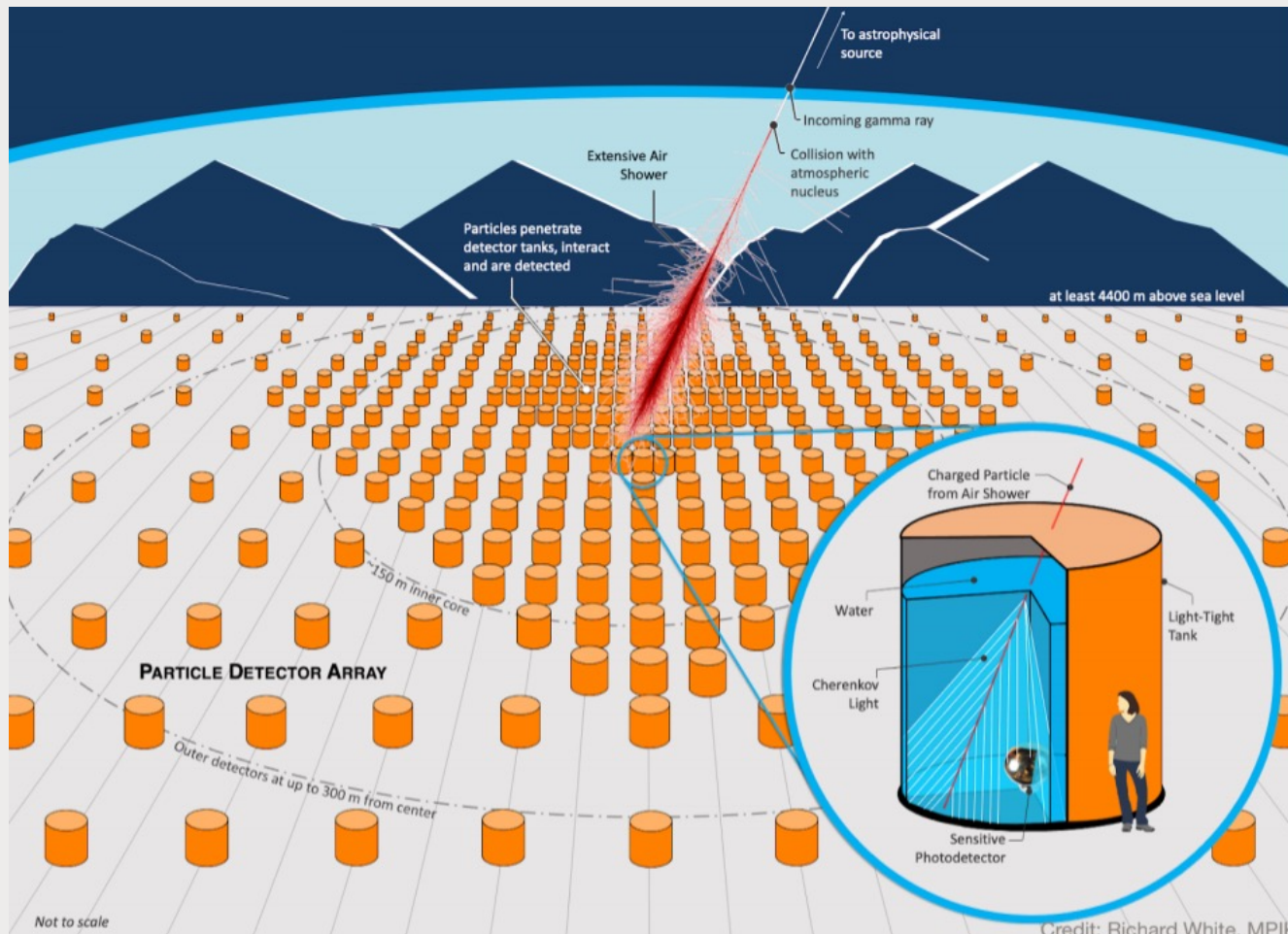
# Where are we





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# Particle detectors



- Detection of charged shower constituents through several instruments  
 $e^+, e^-, \mu, (\gamma)$
- Large arrays
- Higher altitudes
- All-day duty cycle
- Wide FOV
- TeV+ threshold

# What detectors?



Water  
Cherenkov

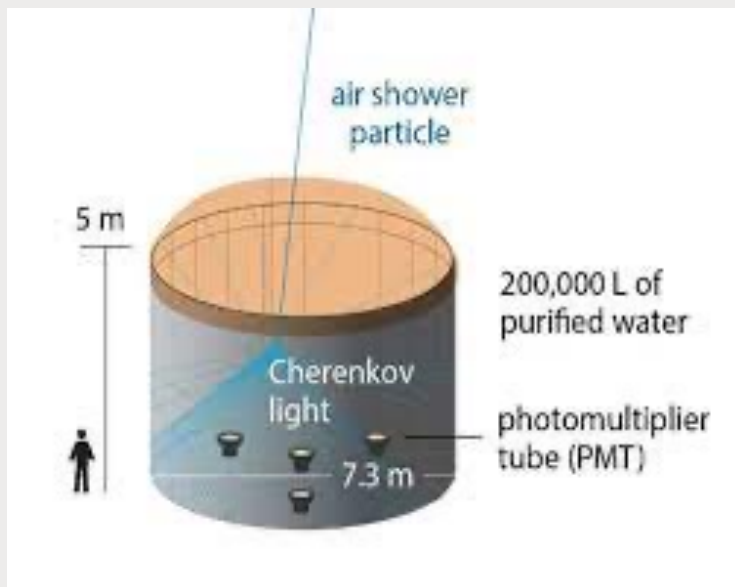
Scintillators

Resistive  
Plate  
Counters

- Charged particle detectors
  - *Water Cherenkov (in tank, manmade or natural water pond)*
  - *Scintillator units*
  - *Resistive Plate Counters*
- To separate electrons from muons one can consider specific 'muon-only' detectors
  - *Shielding with thick material allows  $\gamma$ ,  $e^{\pm}$  absorption*

# Water Cherenkov (tank,pond)

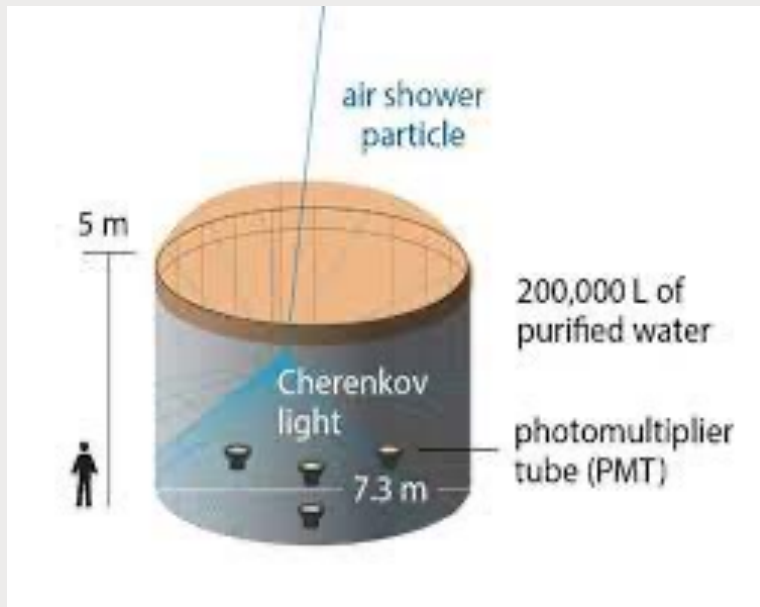
- Water:  $n = 1.33$ ;  
 $\theta_{\max} = 41.2^\circ$   
for  $e^\pm$   $E_{\text{thr}} = 775 \text{ KeV}$   
for  $\mu^\pm$   $E_{\text{thr}} = 160 \text{ MeV}$   
 $N_{\text{photons/mm}} = 36$  for  $\lambda$  in  $(300 - 600) \text{ nm}$



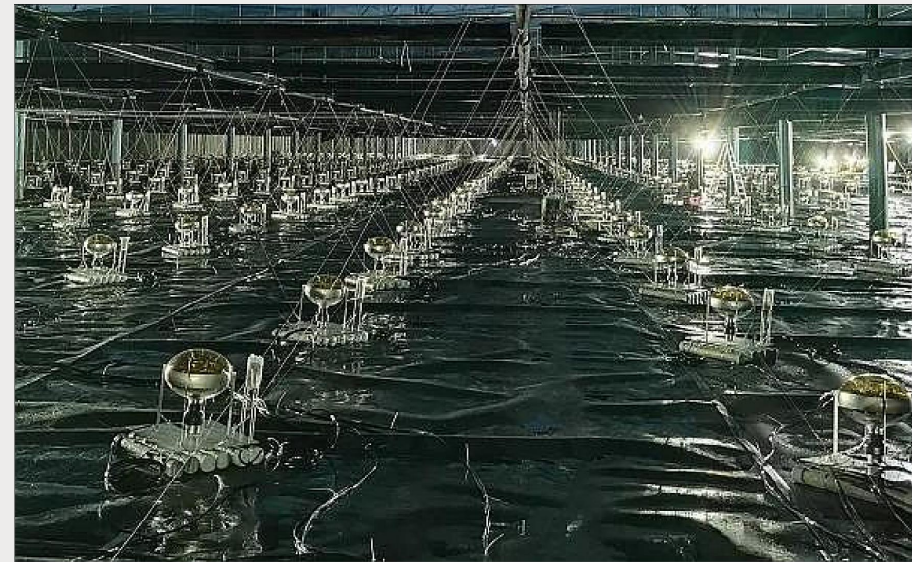
- In water charged particles emit Cherenkov light
  - *Wider angle than in atmosphere*
- Needs
  - *Purified water, few m depth*
  - *Insulated tank*
  - *Few light sensors*
- Can be done in solid materials
- Exp: Milagro, HAWC, LHAASO (also Auger)

- Plexiglas:  $n = 1.50$ ;  
 $\theta_{\max} = 48.2^\circ$   
for  $e^\pm$   $E_{\text{thr}} = 686 \text{ KeV}$   
for  $\mu^\pm$   $E_{\text{thr}} = 142 \text{ MeV}$   
 $N_{\text{photons/mm}} = 46$  for  $\lambda$  in  $(300 - 600) \text{ nm}$

# Single tanks or segmented ponds



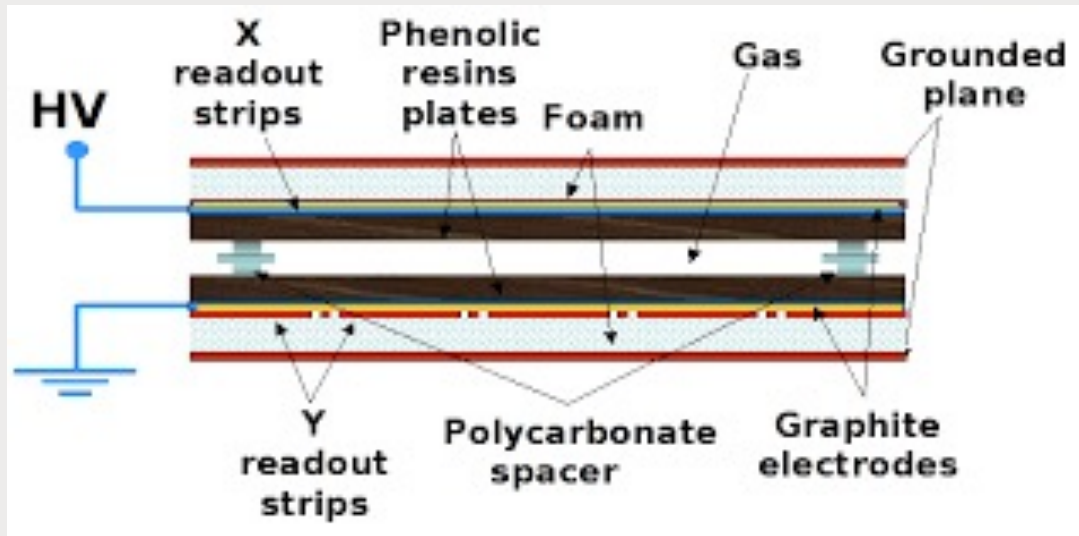
● HAWC, SWGO



● Milagro, LHAASO



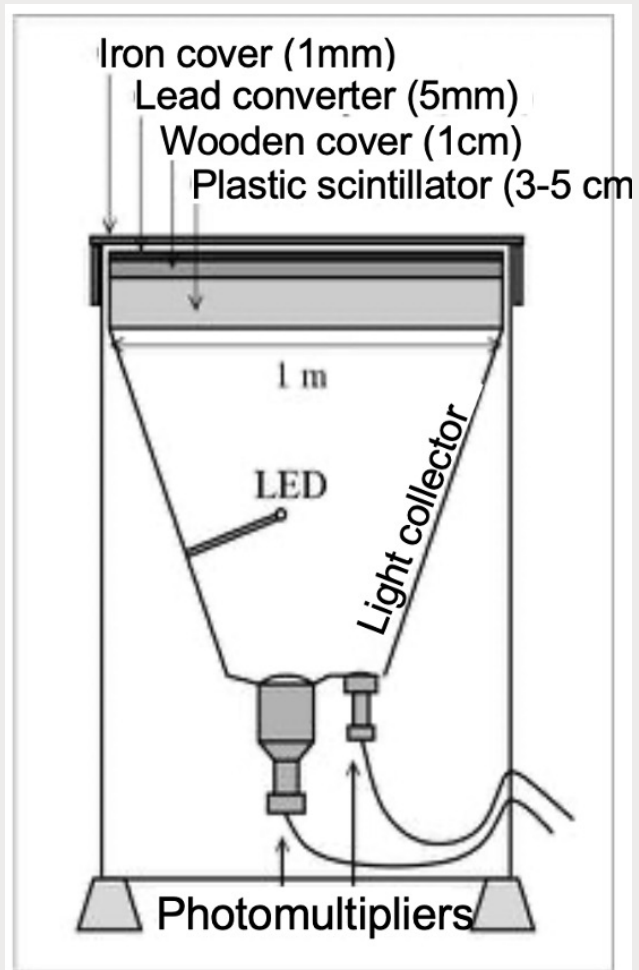
# Resistive Plate Counter



## ● ARGO-YBJ

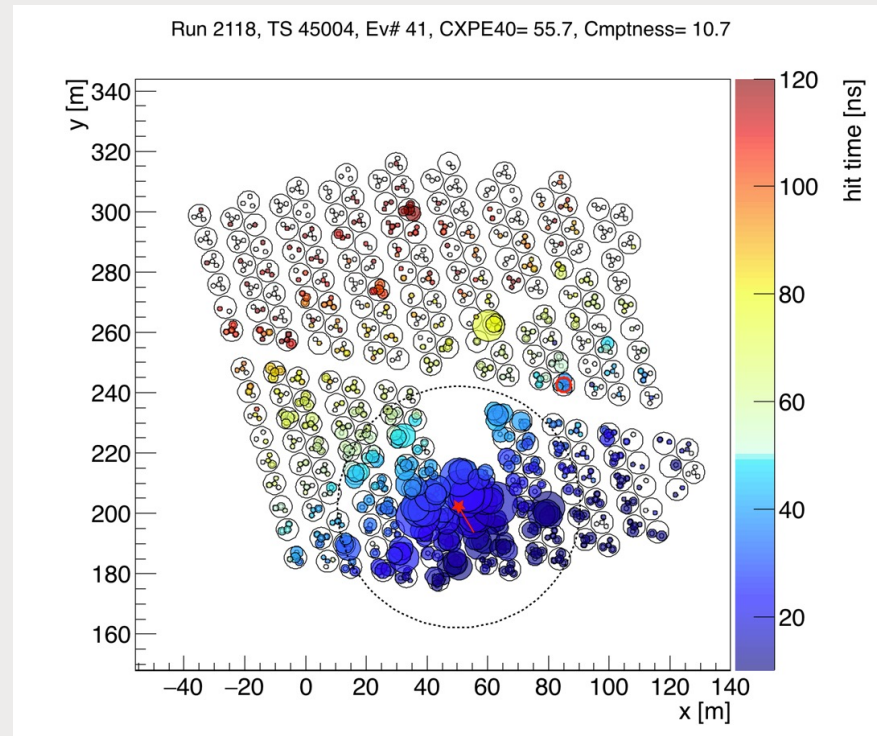
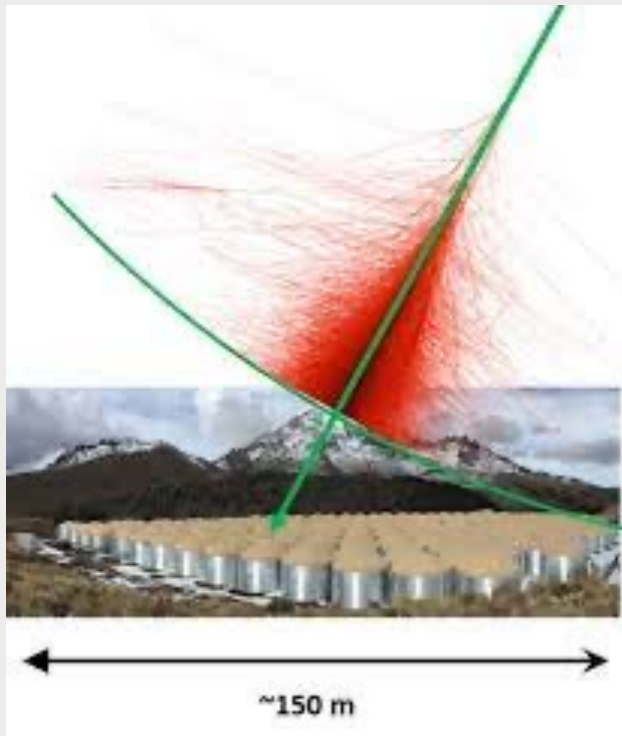
- Needs:
  - Chamber filled with Argon gas
  - HV
  - Charged particle ionize
  - Readout strips allows for very accurate
  - Spatial resolution
  - Temporal resolution
- Experiments: Argo-YBJ
- Not a calorimetric measurement

# Scintillators



- Needs
  - *Wide area scintillator*
  - *Light collector+photosensors*
- Experiments: HEGRA, LHAASO

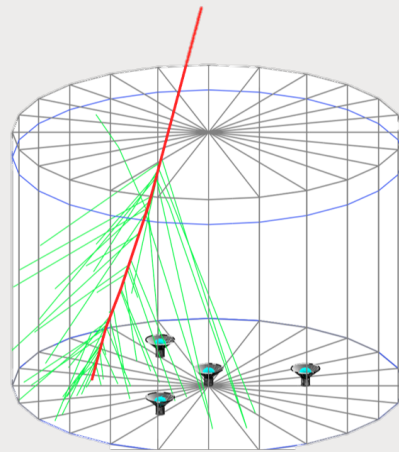
# Shower core-temporal reconstruction



- Need a model for temporal evolution (ns)
- Shower core location and evolution

# HAWC

- Location: Puebla, Mexico, 4100 m asl
- Collaboration: US+Mexico (mostly), 120 scientists
- Operating: 2016+
- Technique:
  - *Inner 300 water Cherenkov tanks 7m d, 4.5m h*
    - 4 PMTs / tank
  - *Outer sparse 350 tanks 1.65m h*
    - 1 PMT / tank



dit: HAWC Collaboration



# LHAASO

- Location: Sichuan, China, 4410 m a.s.l.
- Collaboration: China
- Operating: 2020+

## 5195 Scintillators

- 1 m<sup>2</sup> each
- 15 m spacing

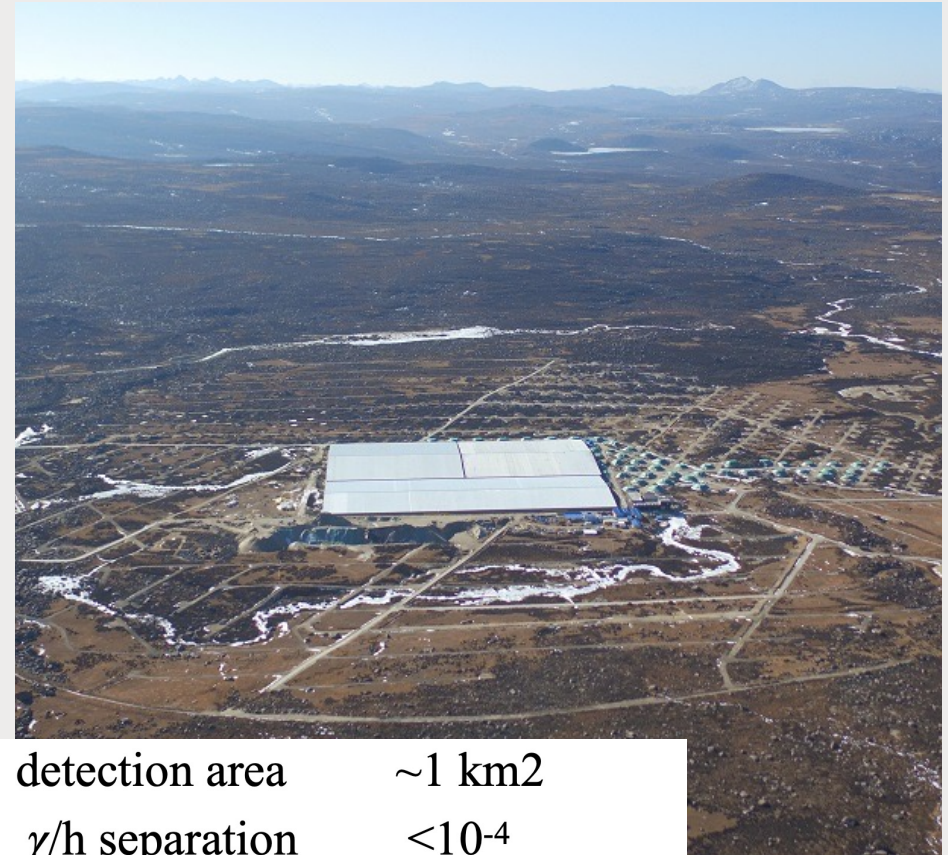
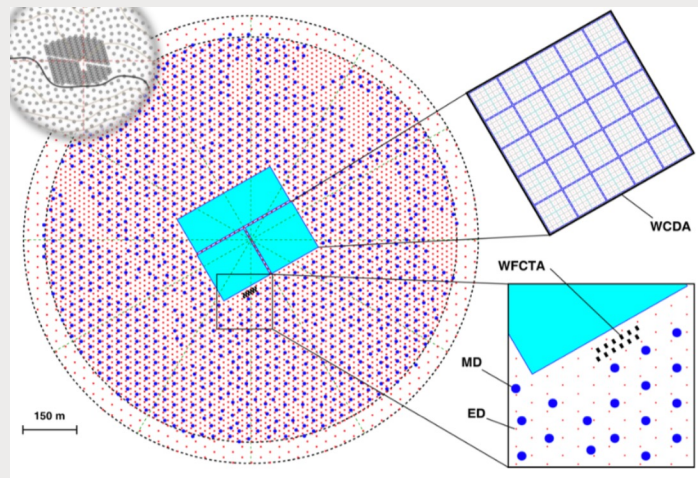
## 1171 Muon Detectors

- 36 m<sup>2</sup> each
- 30 m spacing

## 3000 Water Cherenkov Cells

- 25 m<sup>2</sup> each

## 12 Wide Field Cherenkov Telescopes



detection area	~1 km <sup>2</sup>
$\gamma/h$ separation	$<10^{-4}$
large FoV	~1 ster
exposure time	~2000 h/yr
good PSF	~15 arcmin
energy resolution.	~15%

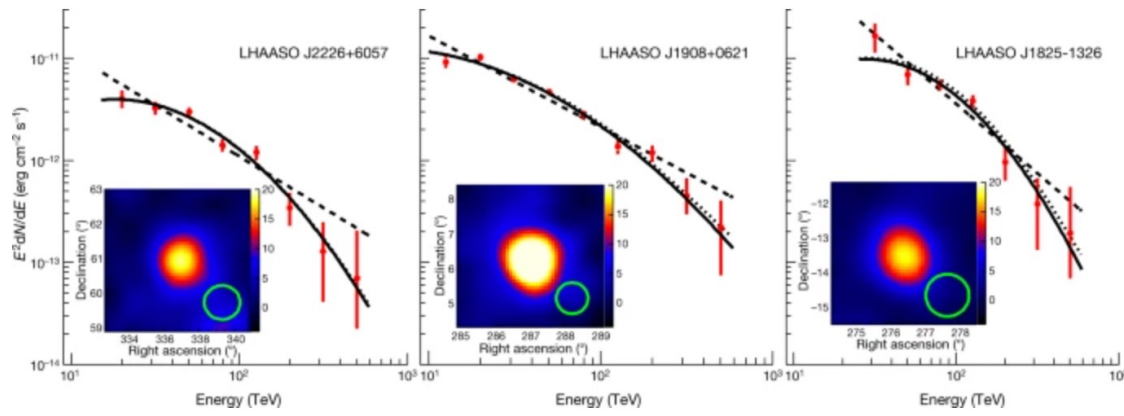
# Ultrahigh-energy photons up to 1.4 petaelectronvolts from 12 $\gamma$ -ray Galactic source

Zhen Cao , F. A. Aharonian , [...]X. Zuo

*Nature* **594**, 33–36 (2021) | [Cite this article](#)

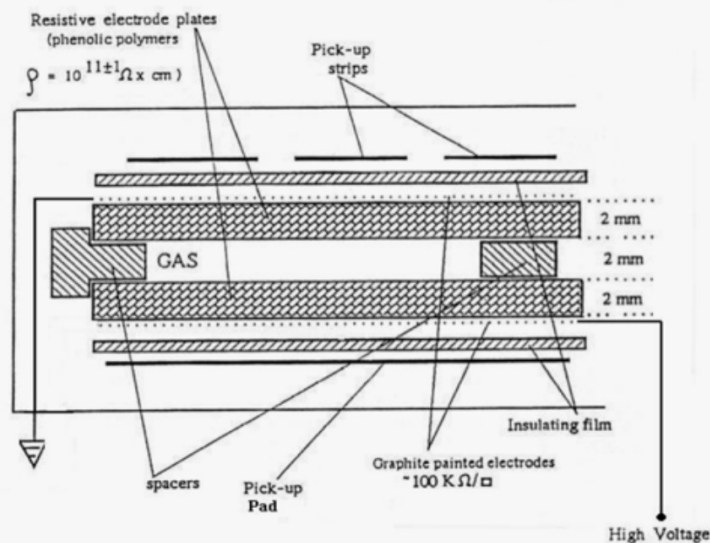
Source name	RA (°)	dec. (°)	Significance above 100 TeV ( $\times\sigma$ )	$E_{\max}$ (PeV)	Flux at 100 TeV (CU)
LHAASO J0534+2202	83.55	22.05	17.8	$0.88 \pm 0.11$	1.00(0.14)
LHAASO J1825-1326	276.45	-13.45	16.4	$0.42 \pm 0.16$	3.57(0.52)
LHAASO J1839-0545	279.95	-5.75	7.7	$0.21 \pm 0.05$	0.70(0.18)
LHAASO J1843-0338	280.75	-3.65	8.5	$0.26-0.10^{+0.16}$	0.73(0.17)
LHAASO J1849-0003	282.35	-0.05	10.4	$0.35 \pm 0.07$	0.74(0.15)
LHAASO J1908+0621	287.05	6.35	17.2	$0.44 \pm 0.05$	1.36(0.18)
LHAASO J1929+1745	292.25	17.75	7.4	$0.71-0.07^{+0.16}$	0.38(0.09)
LHAASO J1956+2845	299.05	28.75	7.4	$0.42 \pm 0.03$	0.41(0.09)
LHAASO J2018+3651	304.75	36.85	10.4	$0.27 \pm 0.02$	0.50(0.10)
LHAASO J2032+4102	308.05	41.05	10.5	$1.42 \pm 0.13$	0.54(0.10)
LHAASO J2108+5157	317.15	51.95	8.3	$0.43 \pm 0.05$	0.38(0.09)
LHAASO J2226+6057	336.75	60.95	13.6	$0.57 \pm 0.19$	1.05(0.16)

**Fig. 1: Spectral energy distributions and significance maps.**



# ARGO-YBJ

Going further down in E: **better coverage** of the detection area



Resistive Plate Chambers (RPCs) are gaseous ionisation detectors with parallel resistive electrodes. Good time and spatial resolution.

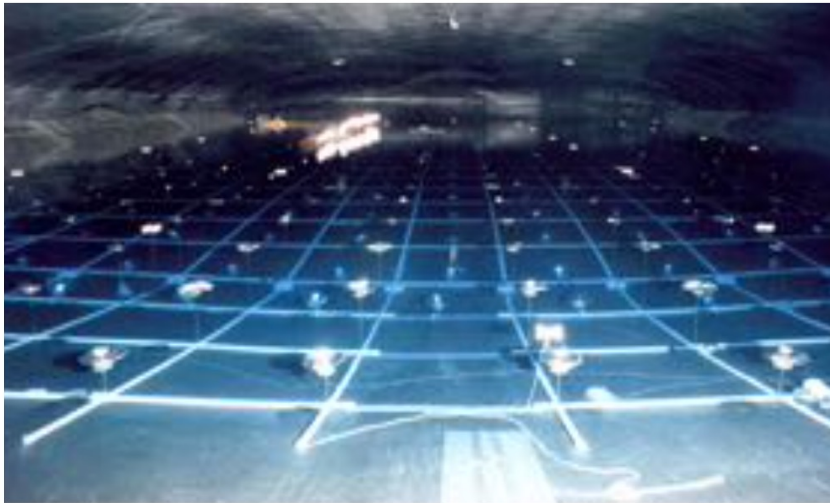
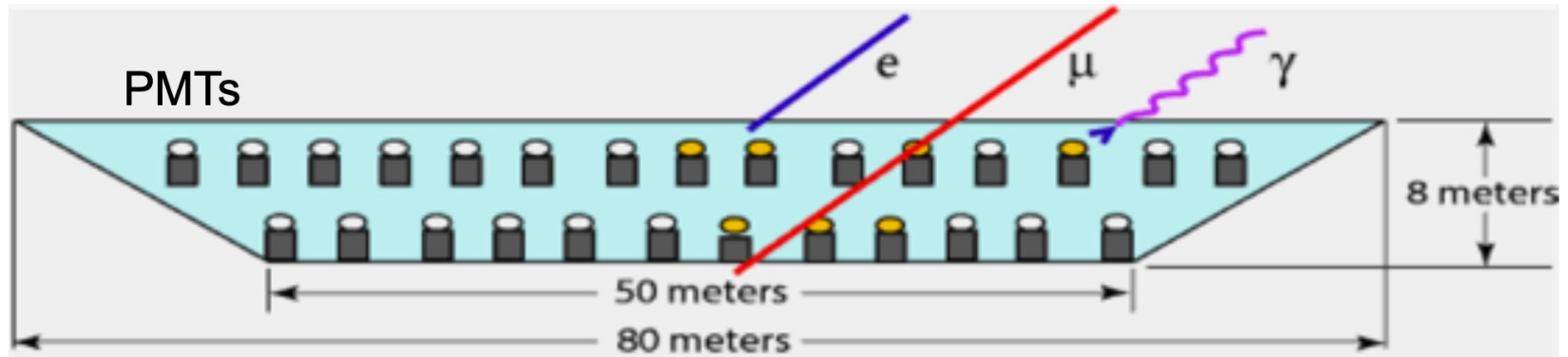


4300 m a.s.l., Yangbajing



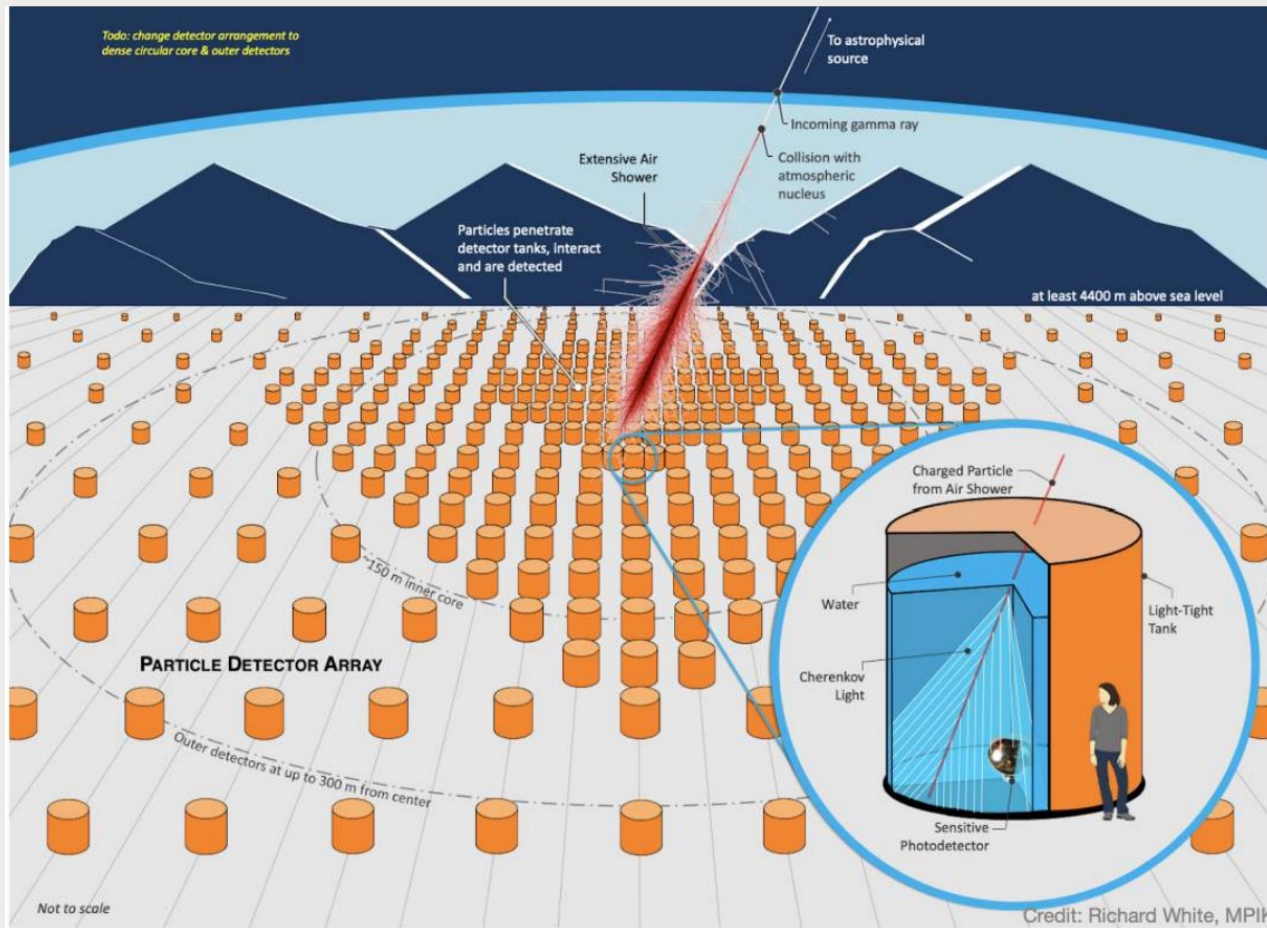
# MILAGRO (moved to → HAWC)

Achieves full coverage in a different way: Cherenkov light emission in water



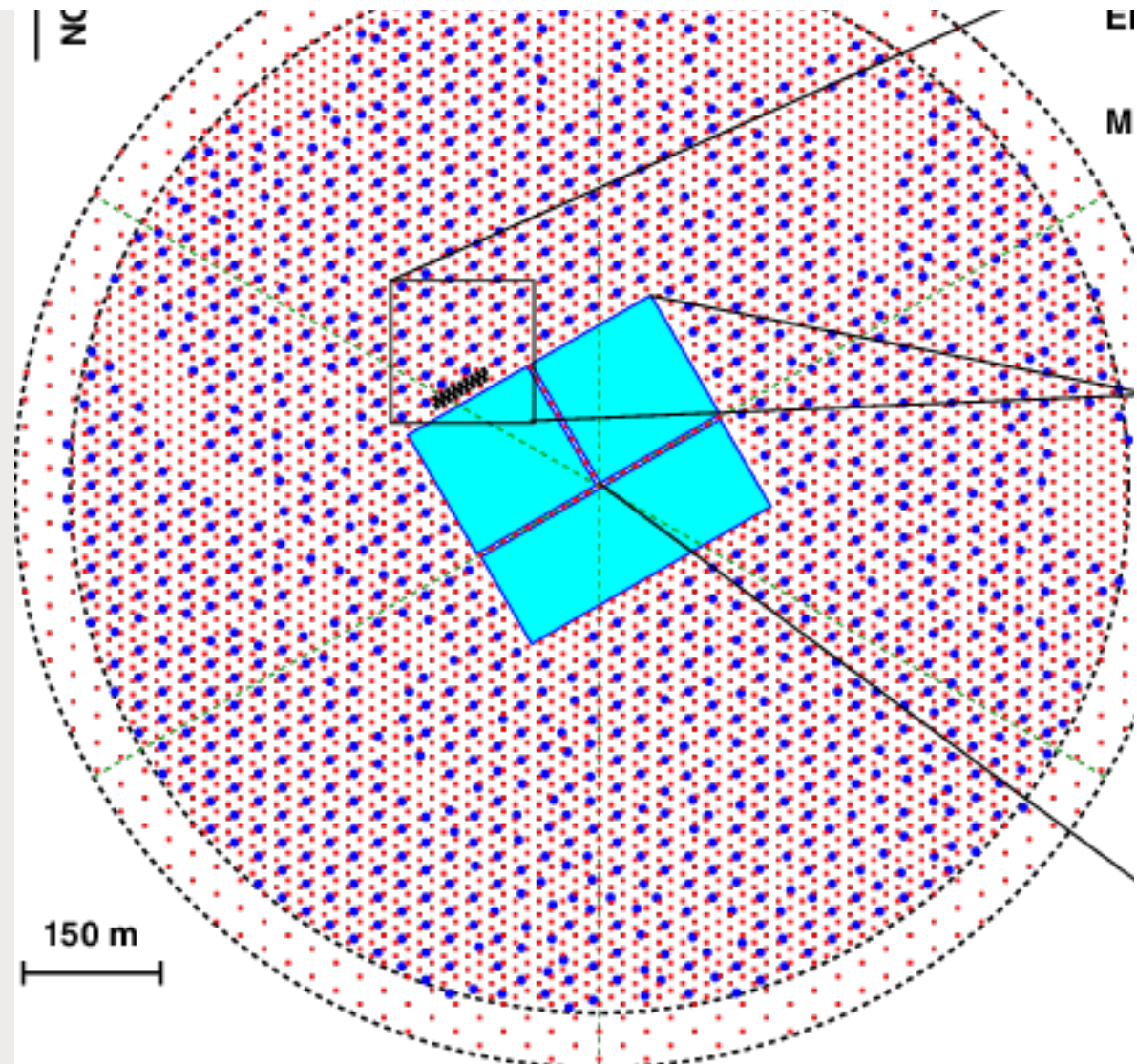
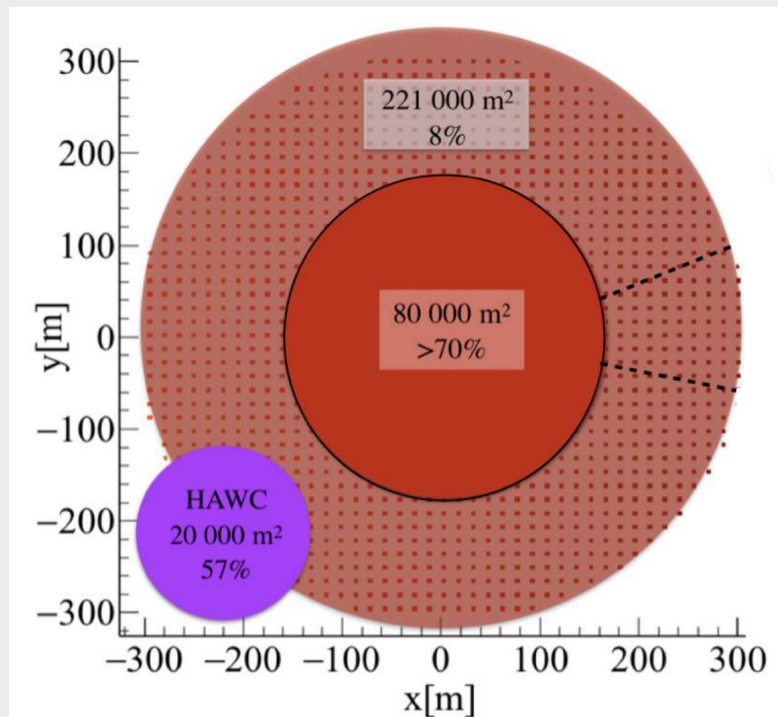


# Southern Wide-Field gamma-ray observatory



- A shower-front detector of TeV gamma rays to be located in South America
- $100^+$  GeV –  $100^+$  TeV
- Built on experience of HAWC, Milagro, Auger + MAGIC, CTA,

# SWG0

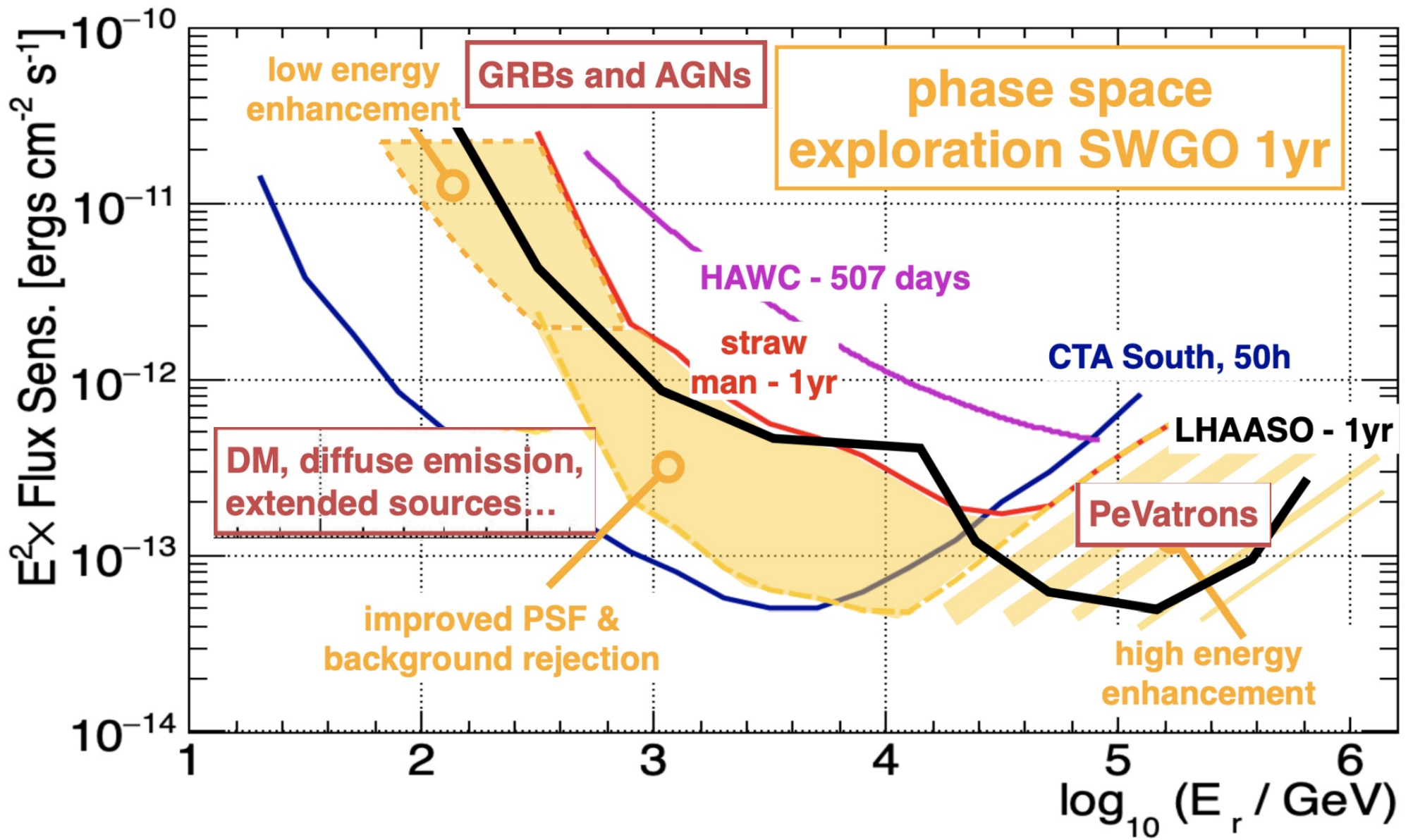


# ...brought up in South America in 201x



Country	Site Name	Latitude	Altitude [m a.s.l]
Argentina	Alto Tocomar	S 24.195; W 66.510	4,430
	Cerro Vecar	S 24.185; W 66.475	4,800
Bolivia	Chacaltaya	16.23 S	4,740
Chile	Pajonales	22.57 S	4,600
	Pampa La Bola	22.56 S	4,770
Peru	Imata	15,50 S	4,450
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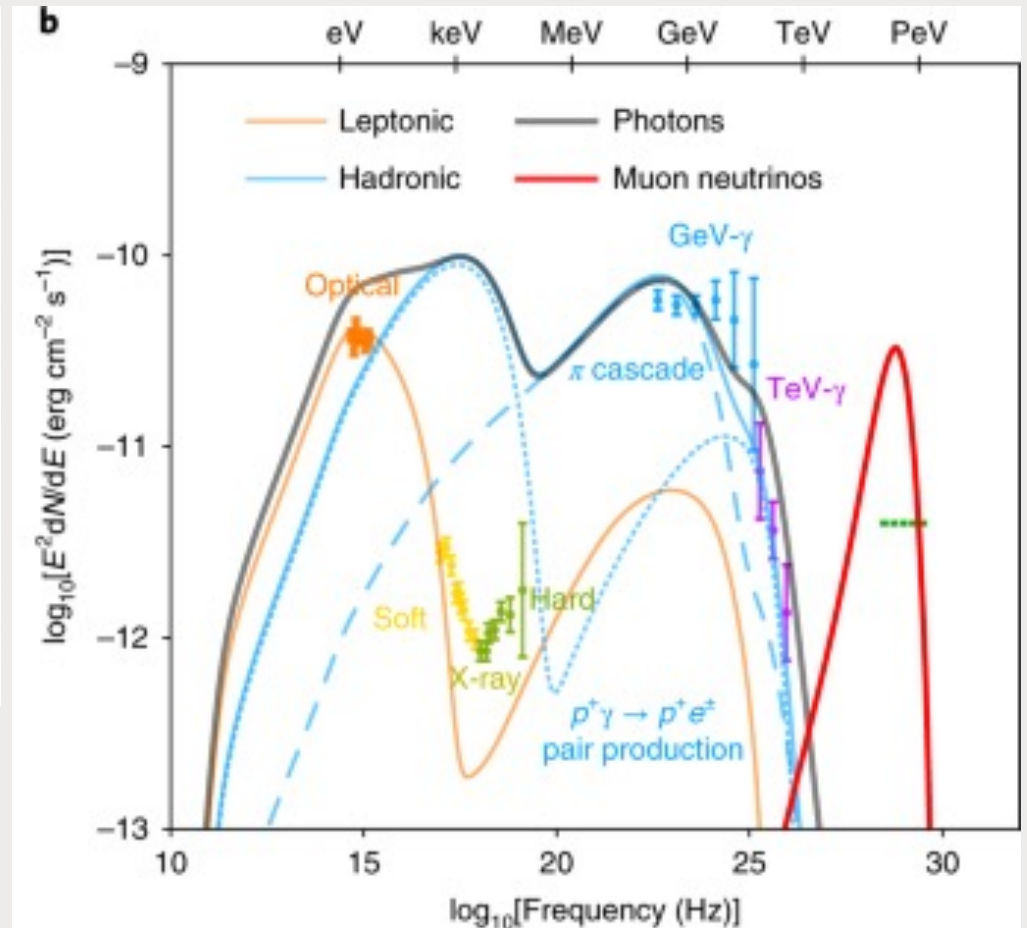
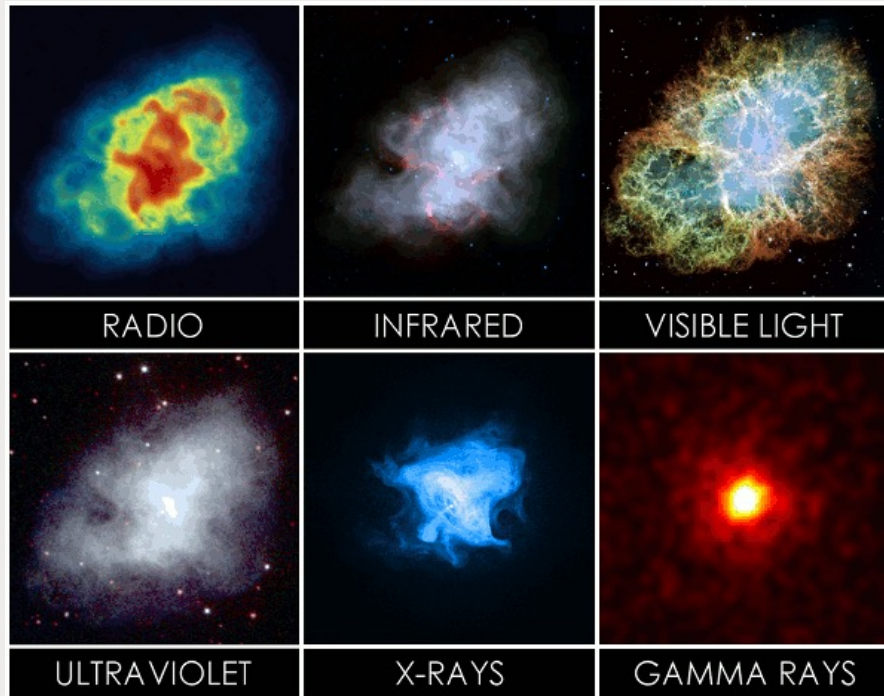
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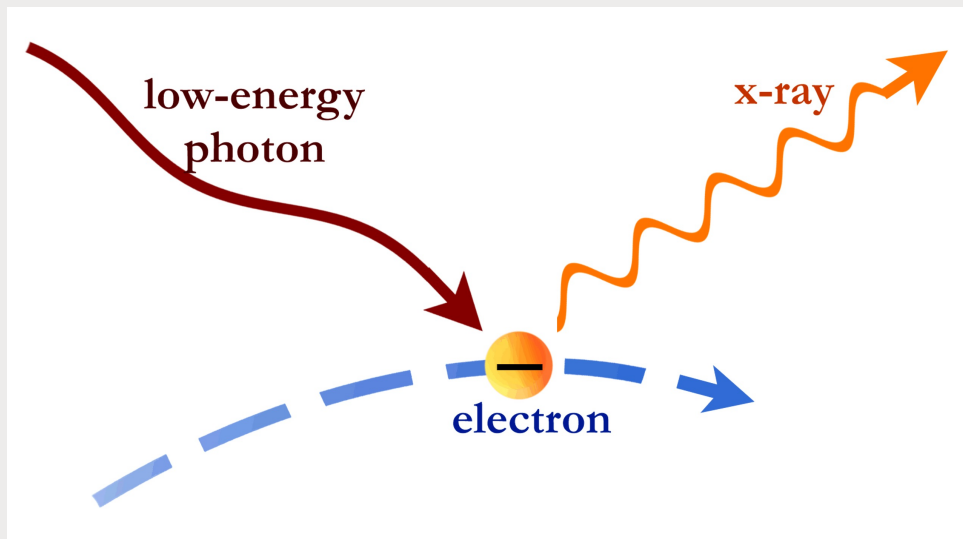


# CONCLUSIONS

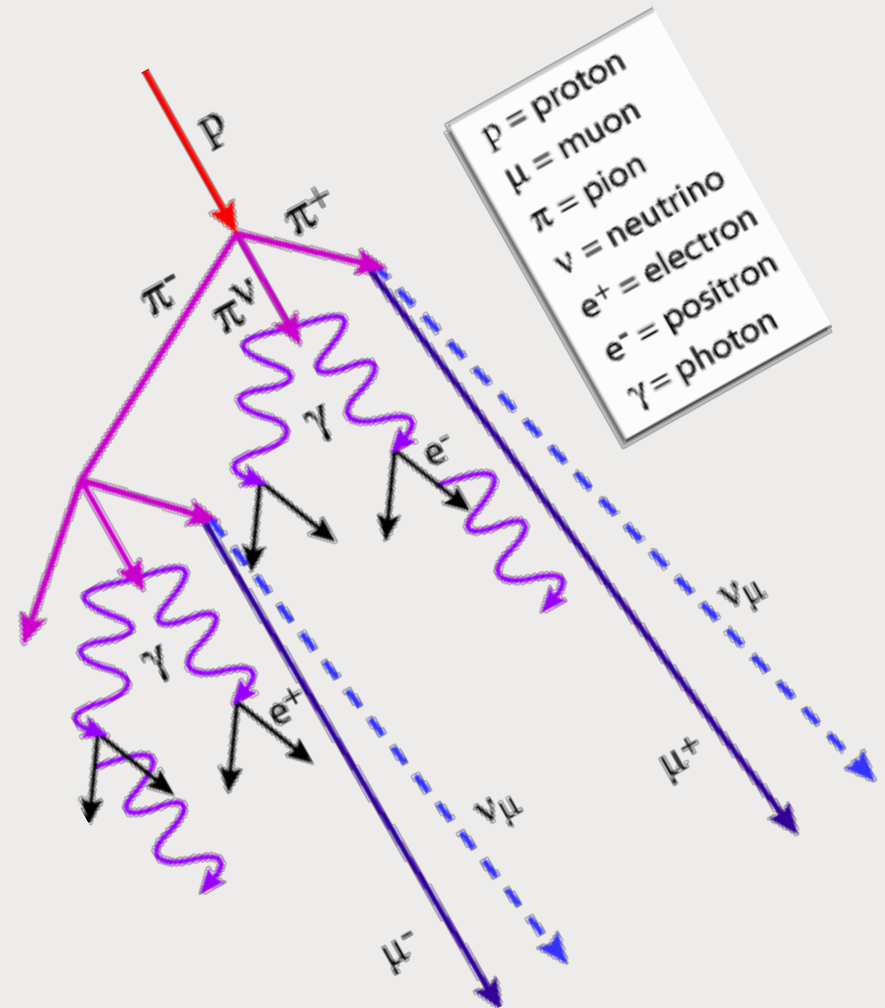
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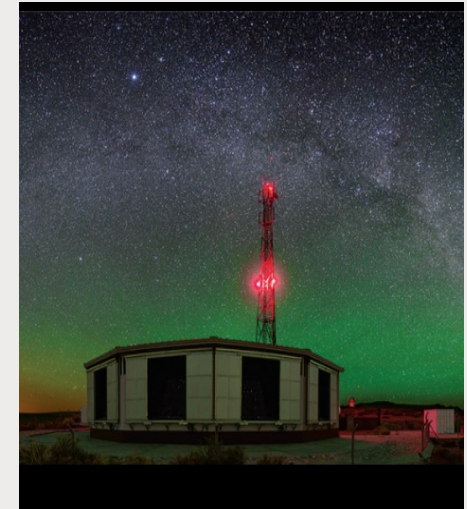
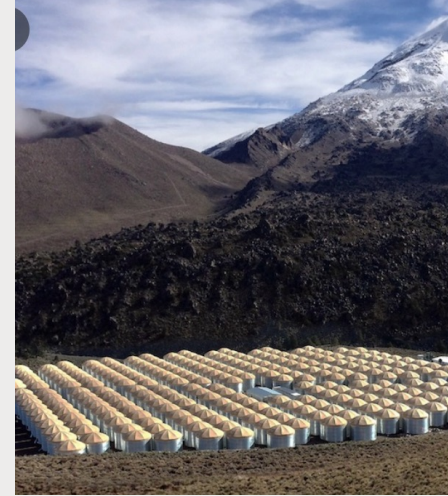
# Gamma-rays



- Probes of astrophysics
- Probes of cosmic-ray physics
- Probes of fundamental physics



# Experiments



- Pick yours and
  - *Know the instrument details in details!*
  - *Know the software (contact members if needed)*
  - *Consider building an experiment, so much fun!*



Good bye and thanks!

