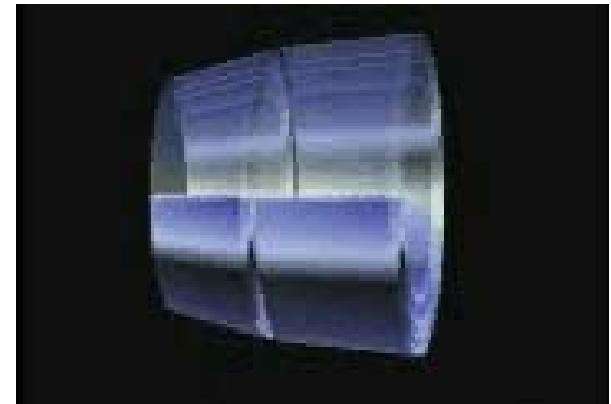
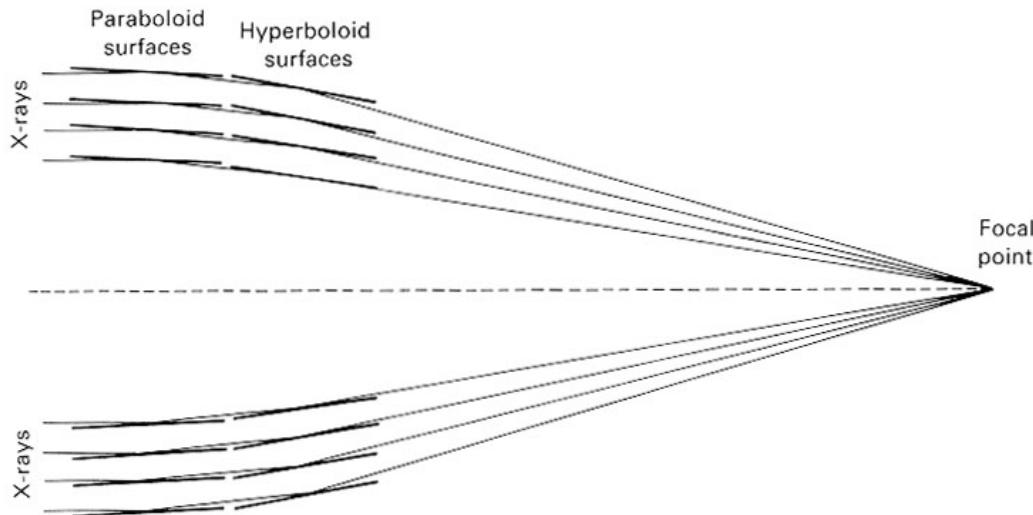


# The Experimental Task in the 10 keV ... 10 GeV Energy Range

- Sources, Cosmic Gamma Radiation:
  - ★ Typical Intensities  $\sim 10^{-3} \dots 10^{-6}$  ph cm $^{-2}$  s $^{-1}$
  - ★ Continuum Radiation, Lines of Largely-Different Widths
  - ★ Embedded / Occulted Sources
  - ★ Examples:
    - ☞ Active Galaxies and Black-Hole Radiation Phenomena
    - ☞ Hot PlasmaSupernova Remnants
    - ☞ Interstellar-Medium Interactions
    - ☞ Cosmic Background Radiation Spectrum
- Instrumental Constraints:
  - ★ Low Interaction Cross Sections
  - ★ No/Problematic Reflecting Surfaces
  - ★ Instrumental Background

# X-Ray Telescopes: Concentrating Radiation

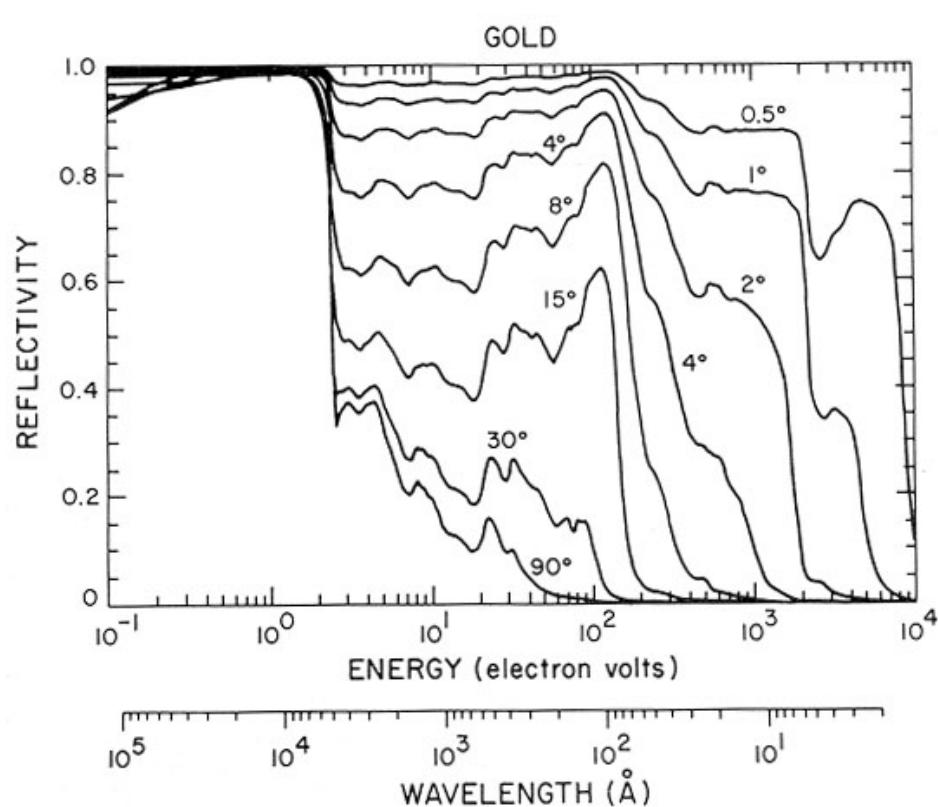
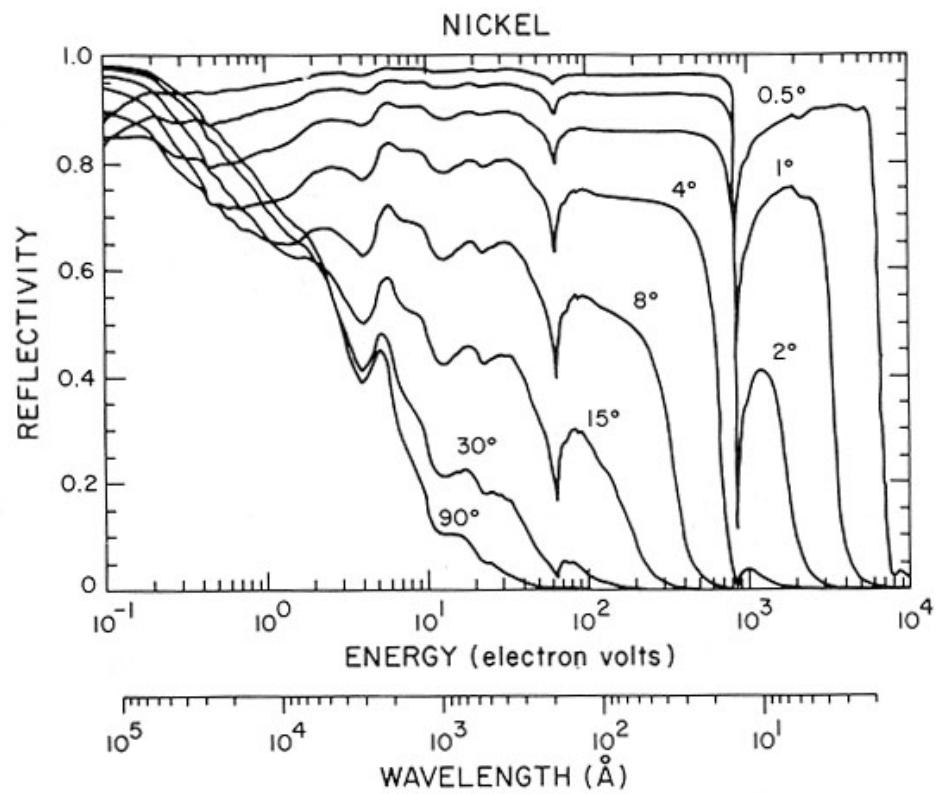


## ★ Concentration of Cosmic Radiation

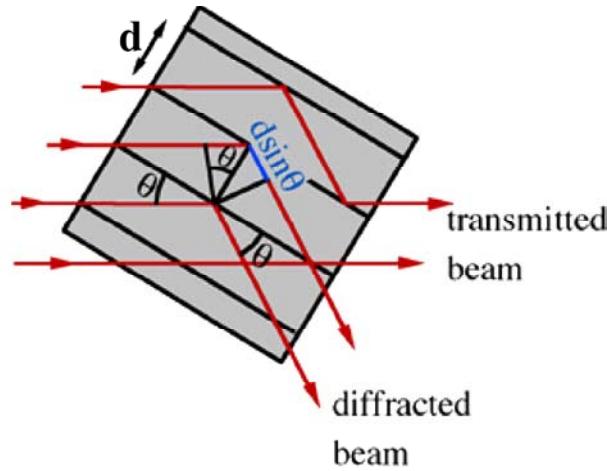
- Signal ~ Telescope Area
- Background ~ Detector Volume

👉 Signal/Background Ratio Improves with Radiation Concentration

# Metal Surface Reflectivity



# Focusing Gamma-Rays through Crystal Diffraction



$$\lambda(511 \text{ keV}) = 2.42632 \cdot 10^{-2} \text{ \AA}$$

Bragg condition

$$2ds\sin\theta = n\lambda$$

$$\begin{aligned} d[220] &= 2.0004 \text{ \AA} \\ \arcsin(\lambda/2d) &= 0.347^\circ \end{aligned}$$

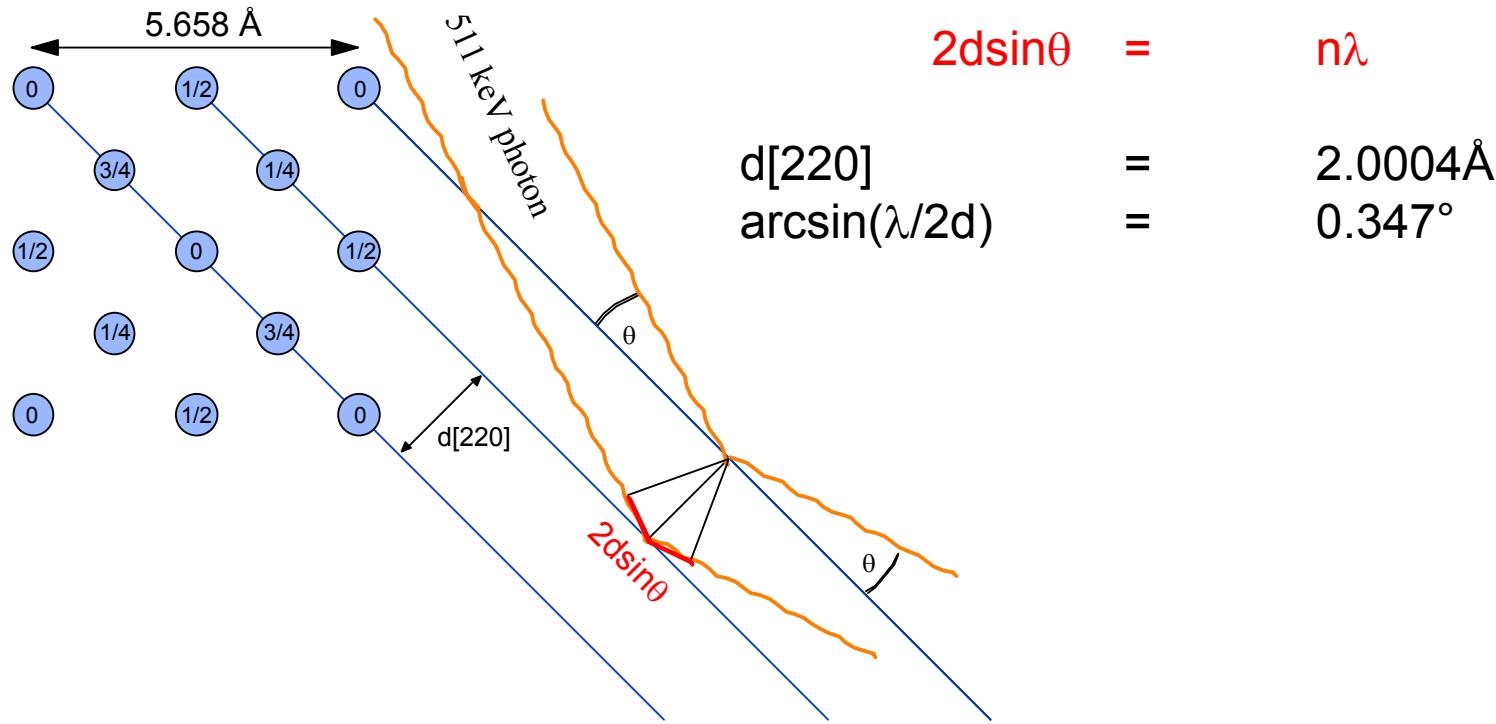
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# Focusing Gamma-Rays: e.g. 511 keV Photons

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Bragg condition

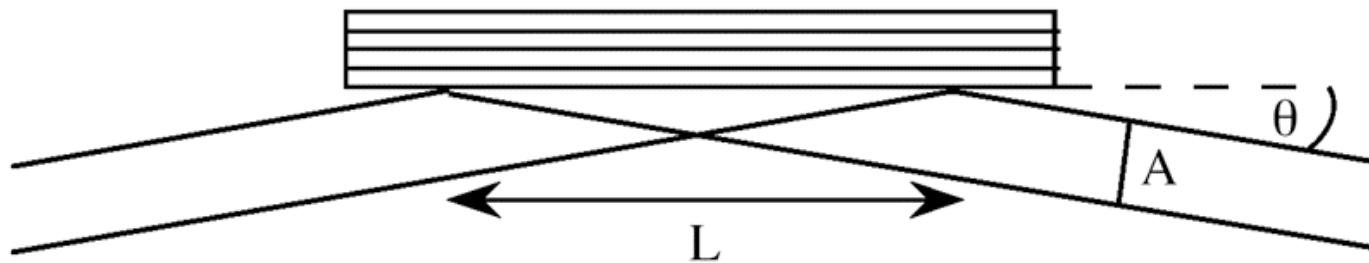


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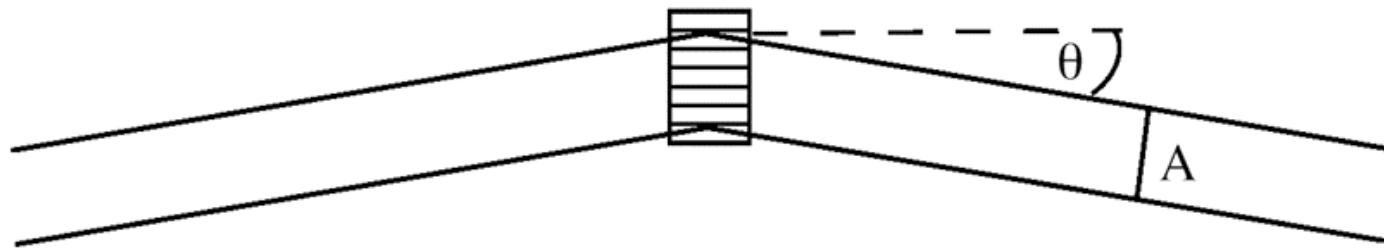
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# Crystal Diffraction Lenses: Bragg vs Laue Geometry

Bragg geometry



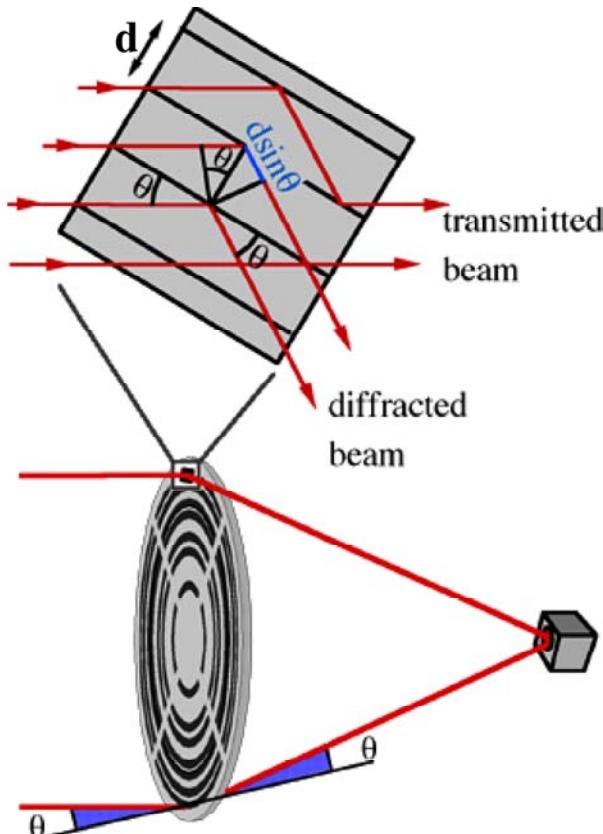
Laue geometry



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# Focusing Gamma-Rays: Laue Lens Telescope



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Laue-type Gamma-ray lens

$$\begin{aligned} 2\theta &= 0.695^\circ \\ \text{ex. radius [220]} &= 10.1 \text{ cm} \\ \Rightarrow \text{focal lenght} &= 8.2 \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

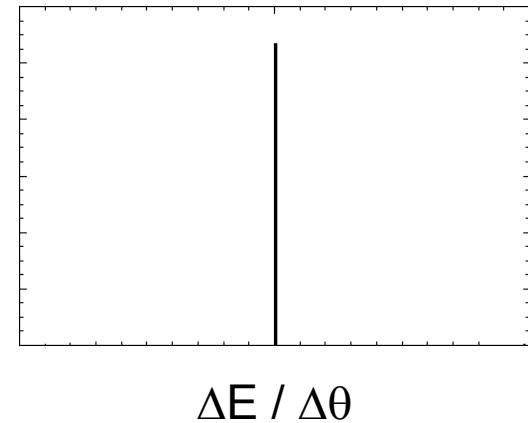
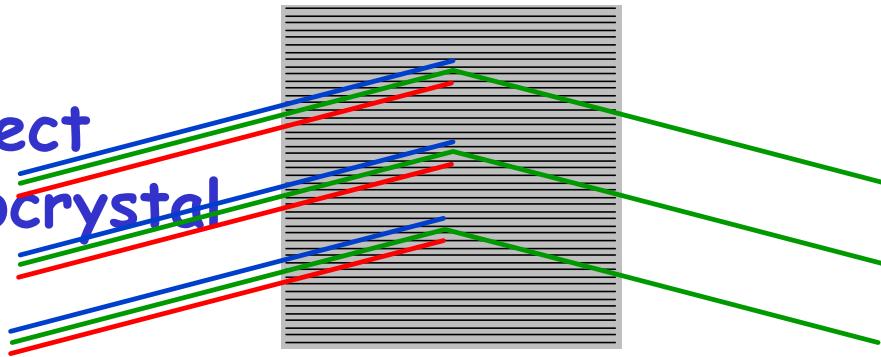
narrow band Laue lens :  
broad band Laue lens :

higher orders at larger radia (CLAIRE)  
most efficient order at all radia (MAX)

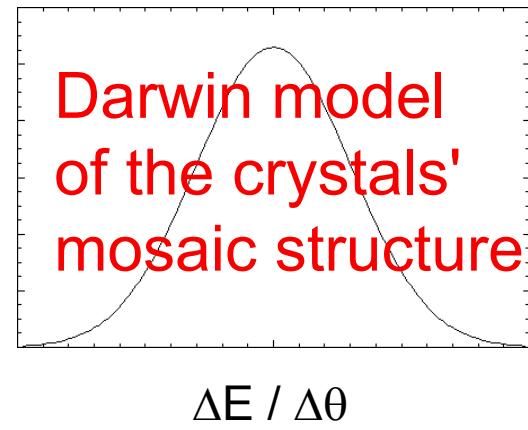
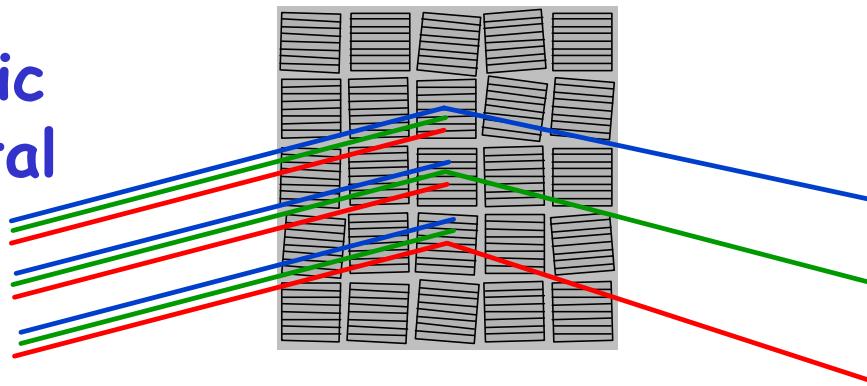
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# Energy Bandpass $\Delta E$ and Field of View $\Delta\theta$

- perfect monocrystal



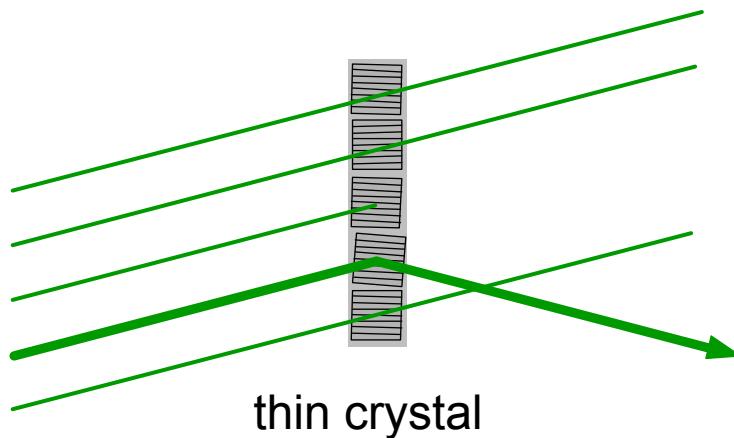
- mosaic crystal



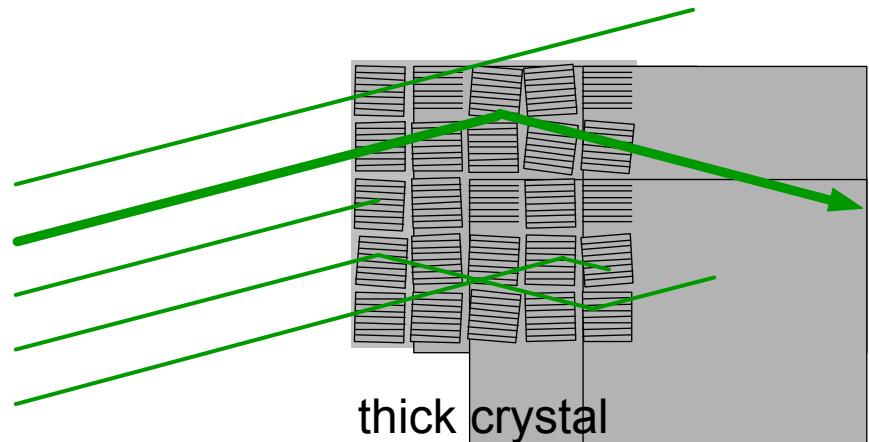
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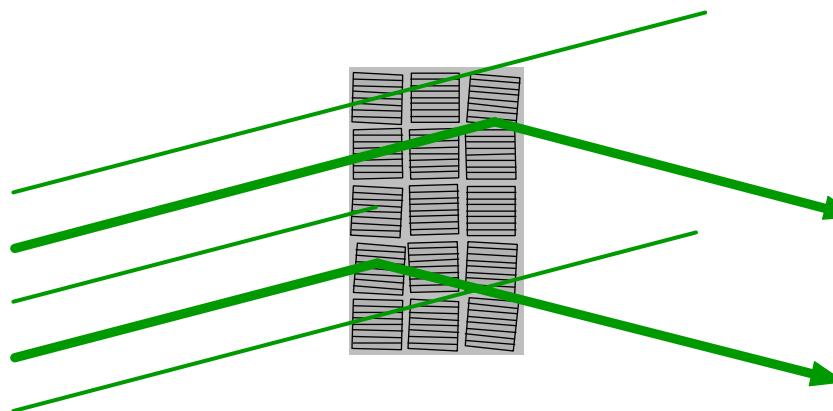
# Thickness of Diffraction Crystal



thin crystal



thick crystal



optimal thickness - energy dependent !

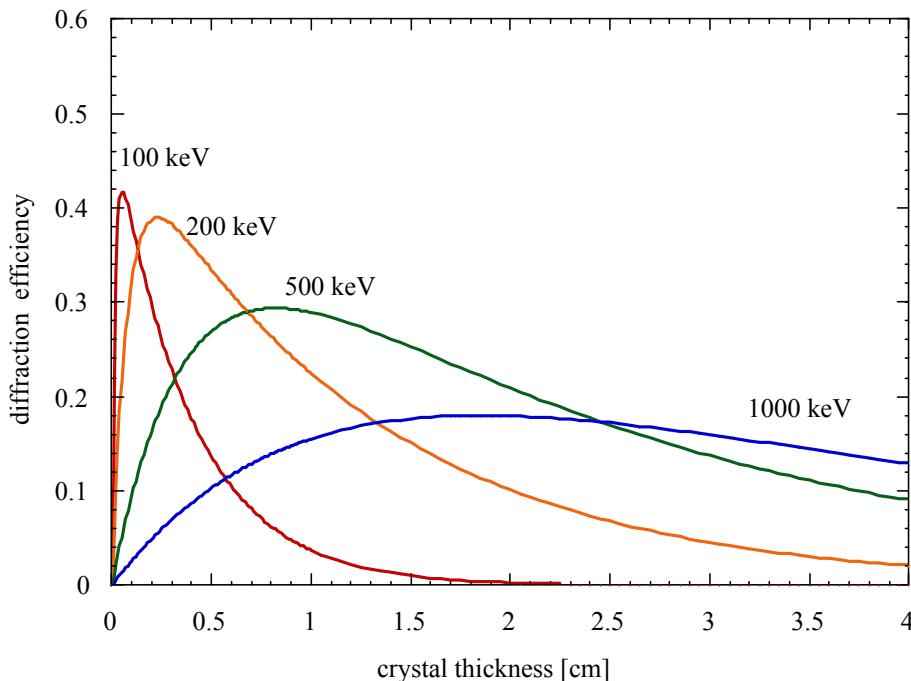
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# Performance Parameters of a Ge Lens:

## Focussing Gamma-Rays of Specific Energy Onto a Detector

Diffraction Efficiency for Ge [440] Planes



$$r_{th}(\theta) = 0.5(1 - e^{-2\alpha T})(e^{-\mu T}) \text{ at } E_{Bragg}$$

$\mu$ : Absorption coefficient

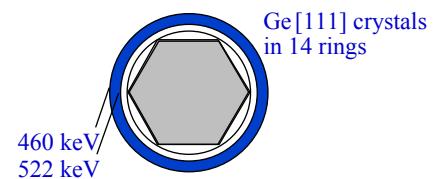
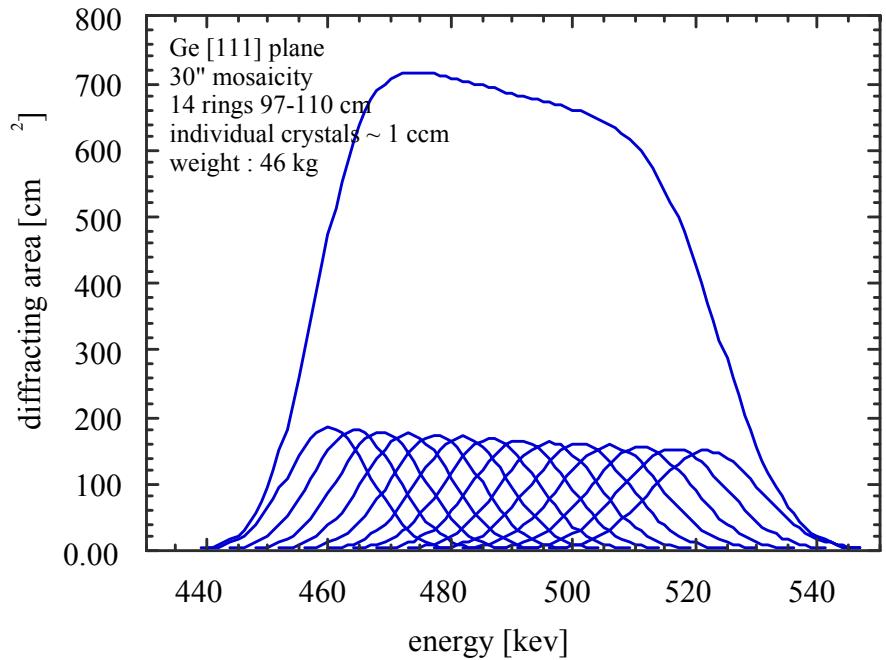
T: crystal thickness

$\alpha(\theta)$ : diffraction coefficient

$\alpha(\theta) \sim F^2 \lambda^3 / V^2 \sin(\theta) \sim \theta^{5/3} / E^2$

Efficiency Decreases with Increasing Energy and Order

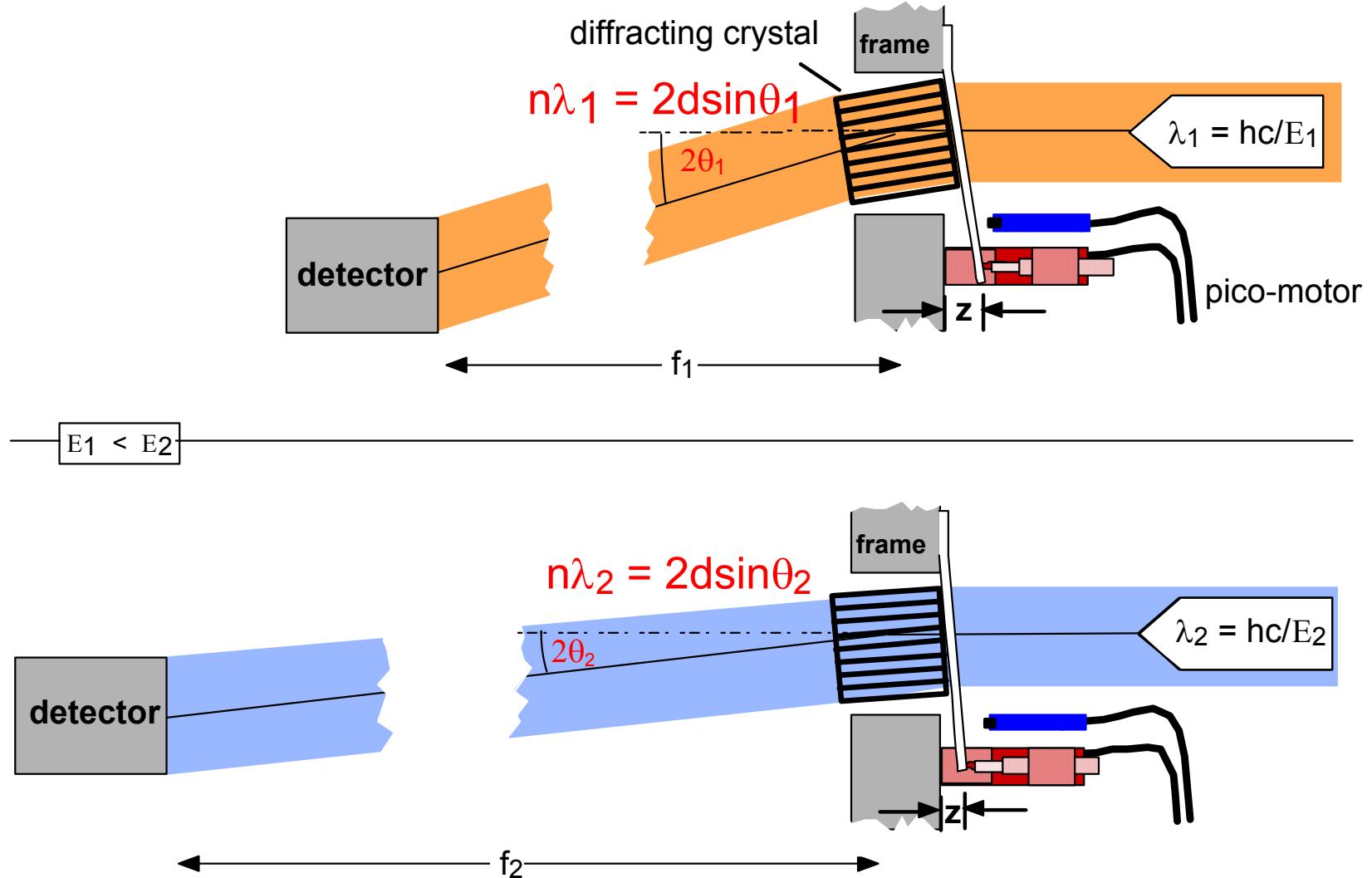
Ge [111] lens ring - diffracting area



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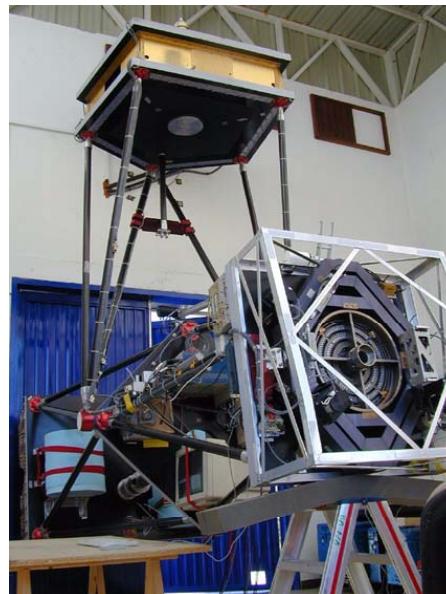
# the principle of a tunable Laue Lens



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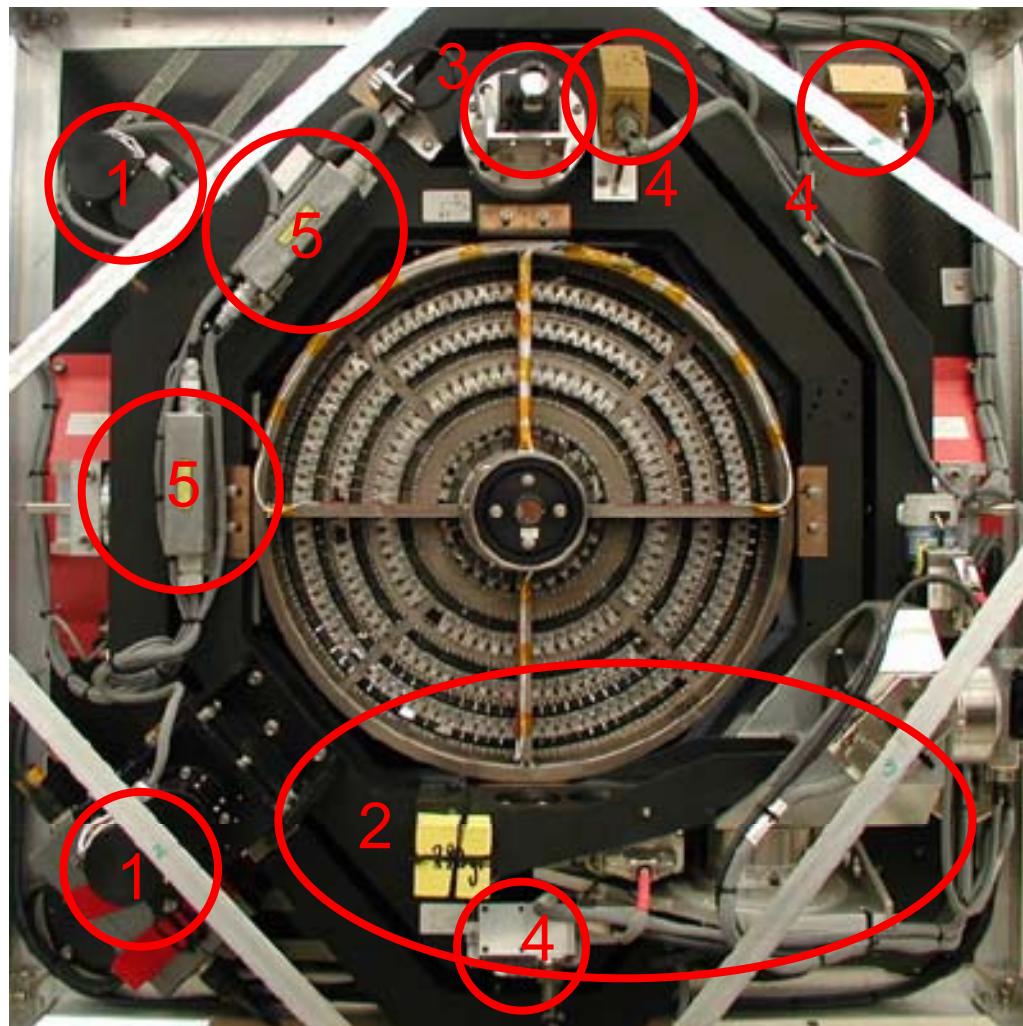
# Balloon Experiment with Laue Lens: "Claire" (Gap->Bordeaux, June 2001)



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# CLAIRE 2001 : Laue lens and fine pointing system



## lens

- 576 Ge crystals
- $A_{geo} = 511 \text{ cm}^2$
- $E_{\text{diff}} = 170 \text{ keV}$ ,  $\Delta E \approx 1.5 \text{ keV}$
- FOV  $\approx 45 \text{ arcsec}$

## optical axis

- invar. pixel of rotating CCD

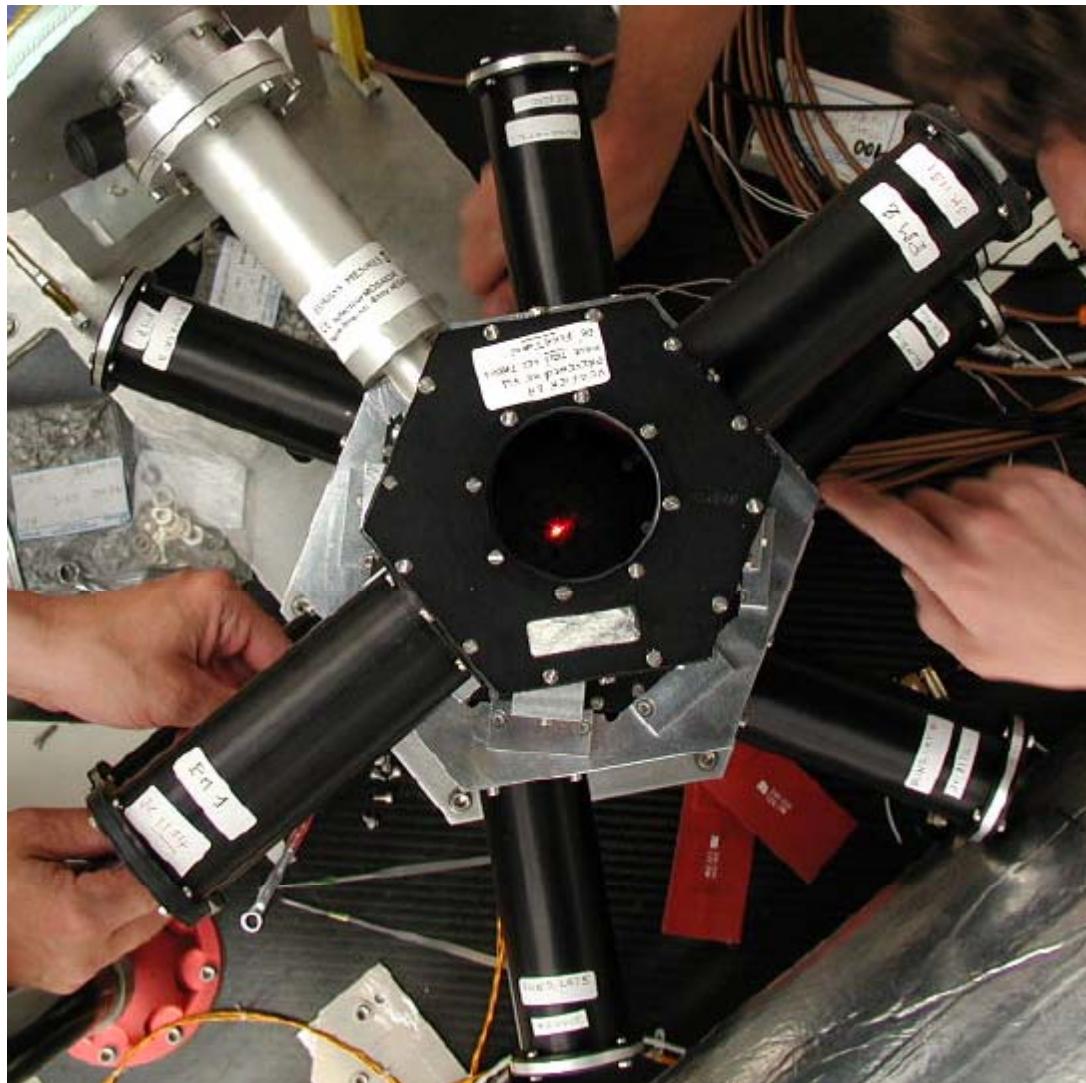
## fine pointing

- Geneva actuators 1
  - precision sun sensor 2
  - wide field CCD camera 3
  - inclinometers 4
  - mechanical & laser gyros 5
- => stability  $\approx 3 \text{ arcsec}$

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# CLAIRE 2001 : Ge detector matrix and ACS



## detector

- 3x3 matrix
- high purity Ge
- 1.5\*1.5\*4cm

## cooling

- pressurized N<sub>2</sub> dewar

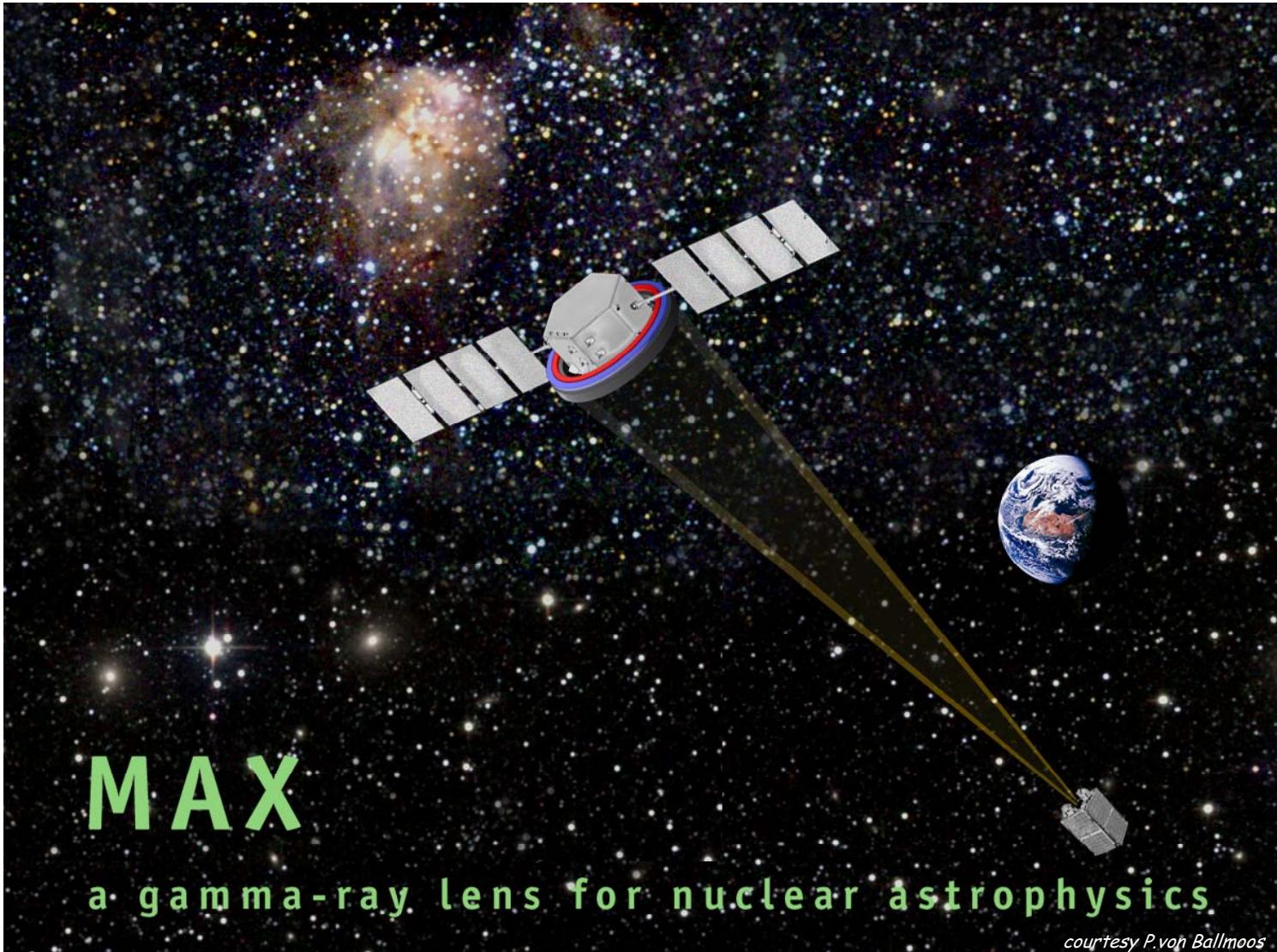
## ACS system

- CsI shield
- BGO collimator

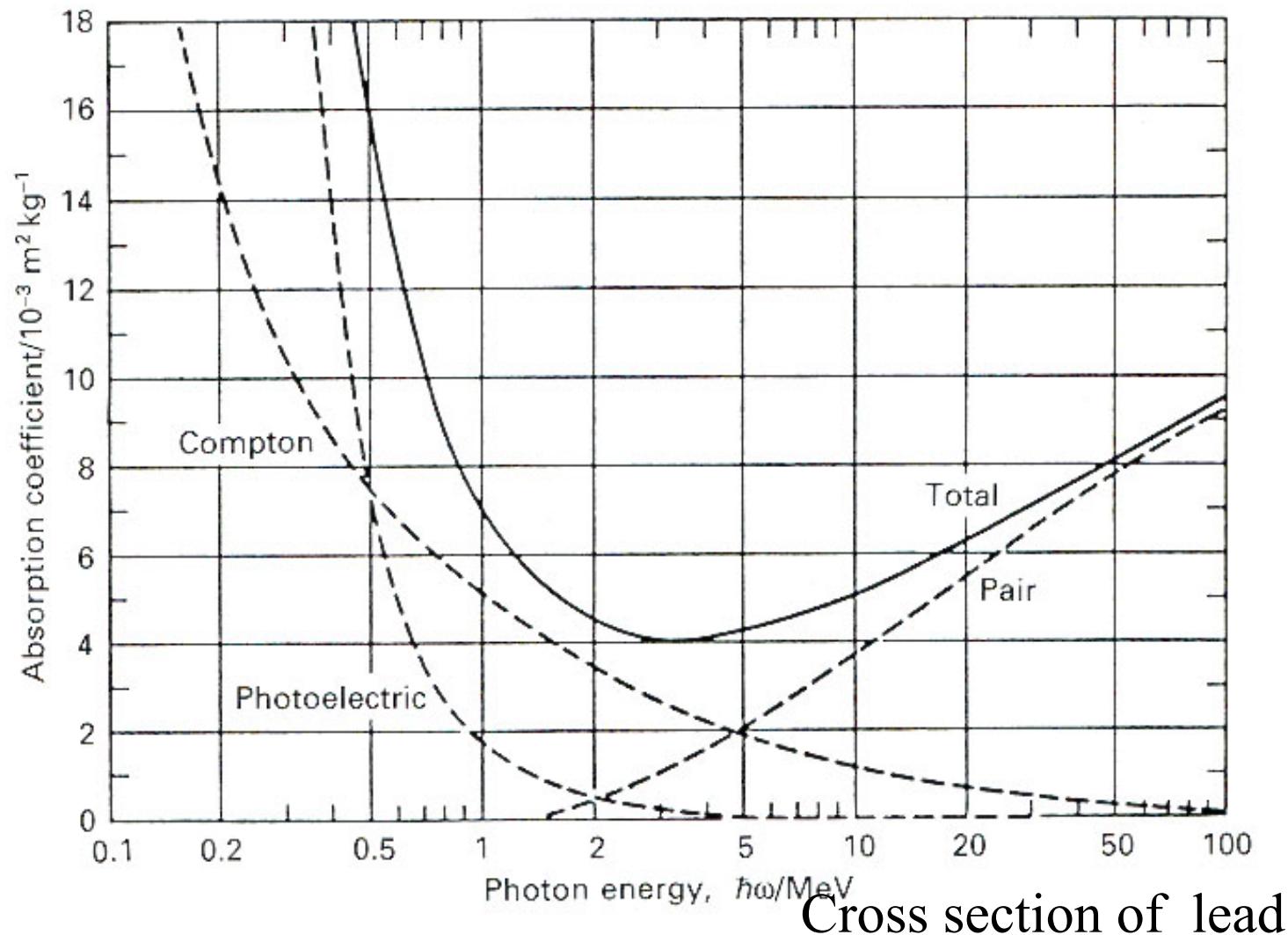
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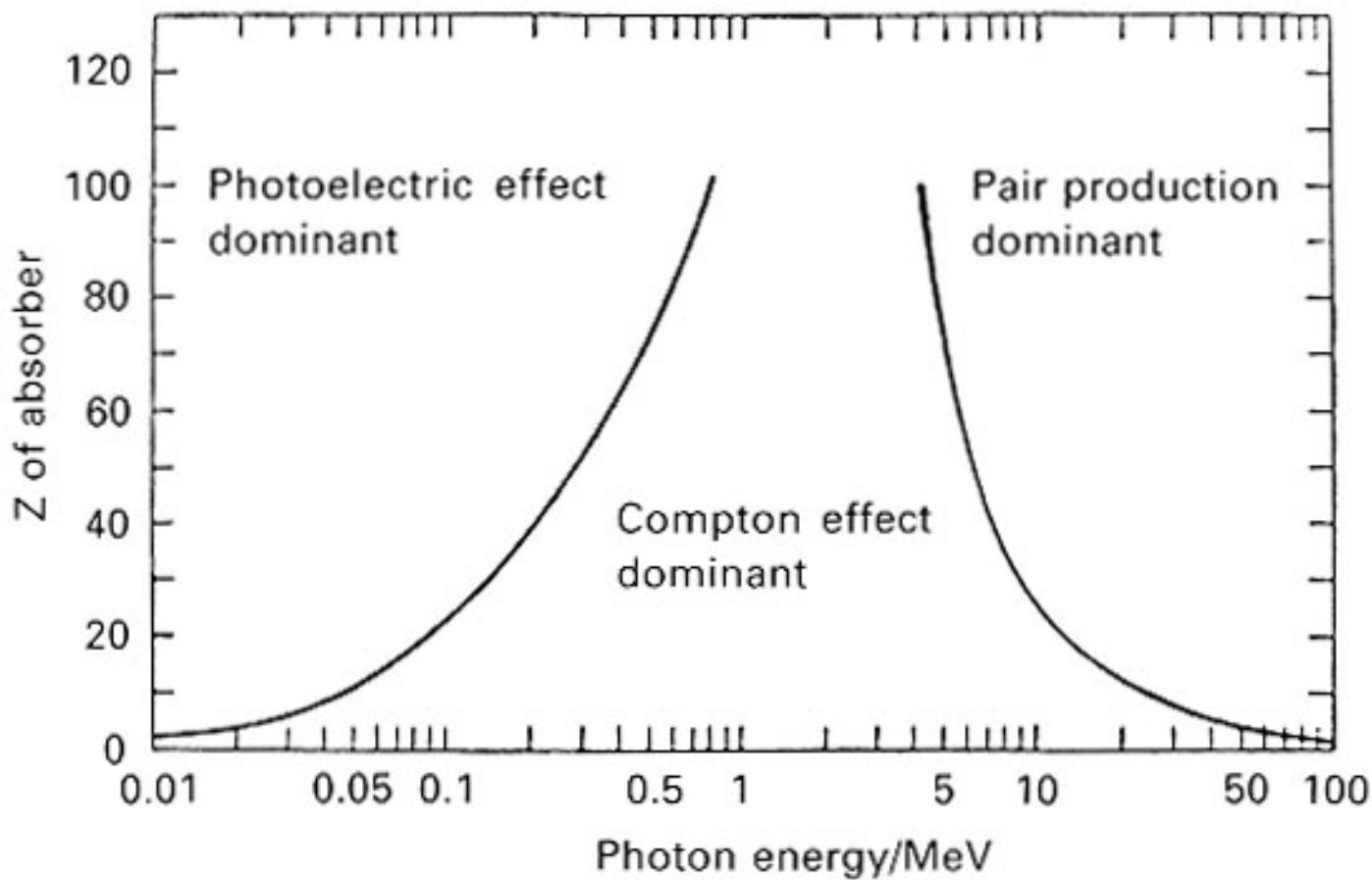
# Proposed Laue Lens Space Mission



# Interaction of HE photons with matter

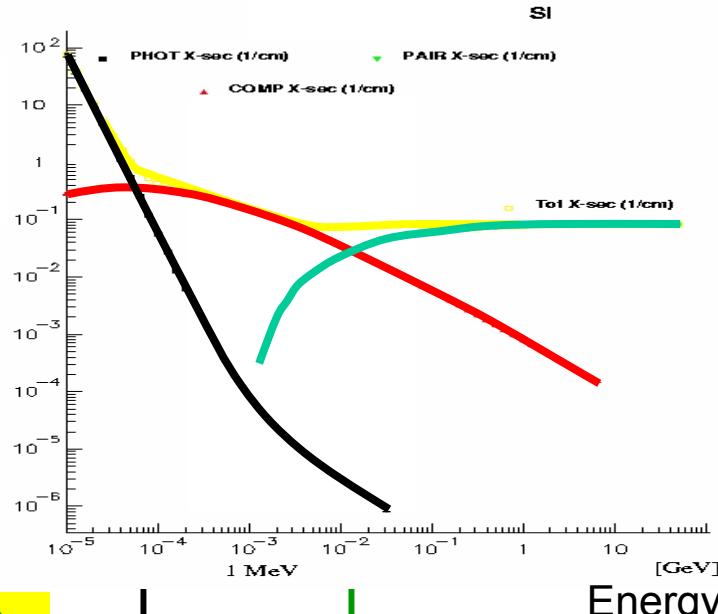


# Interaction of HE photons with matter



# Experimental Regimes for the Detection of Gamma Radiation

Interaction  
Cross  
Section



Pair Creation ( $> 10$  MeV)  
Photons completely converted to  $e^+e^-$

Telescope:  
Tracking chambers  
to visualize the pairs

Photoeffect (< 100 keV)

Photons effectively blocked and stopped

Telescopes:

Collimators  
Coded Mask Systems

Compton Scattering (0.2-10 MeV)

Photon Crossection Minimum  
Scattered photons with long range

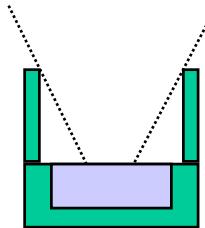
Telescope:

Compton Camera Coincidence System

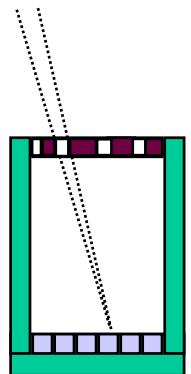
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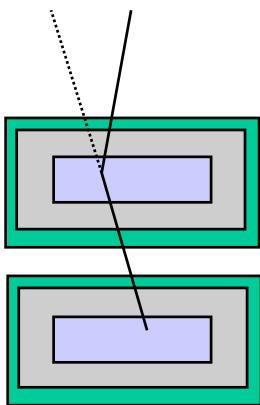
# Gamma-Ray Telescope Principles



- **Simple Detector (& Collimator)**  
(e.g. HEAO-C, SMM, CGRO-OSSE)  
Spatial Resolution (=Aperture) Defined Through Shield



- **Coded Mask & Detector Array**  
(e.g. SIGMA, INTEGRAL)  
Spatial Resolution Defined by Mask & Detector Elements Sizes

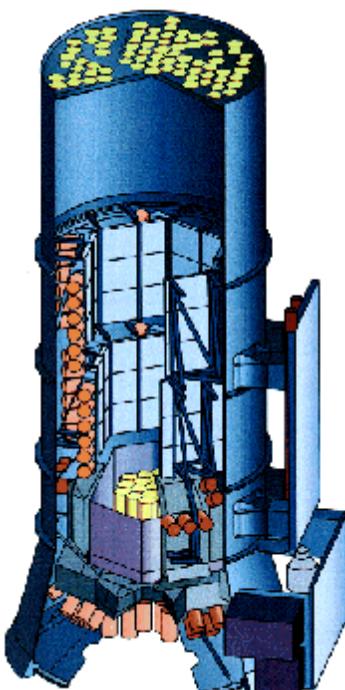
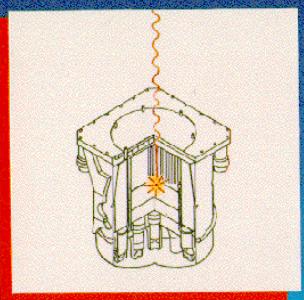
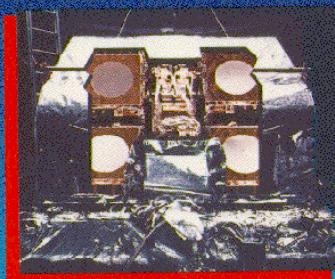


- **Compton Telescopes**  
(Coincidence-Setup of  
Position-Sensitive Detectors)  
(e.g. CGO-COMPTEL, Athena,...)  
Spatial Resolution Defined by Detectors' Spatial Resolution

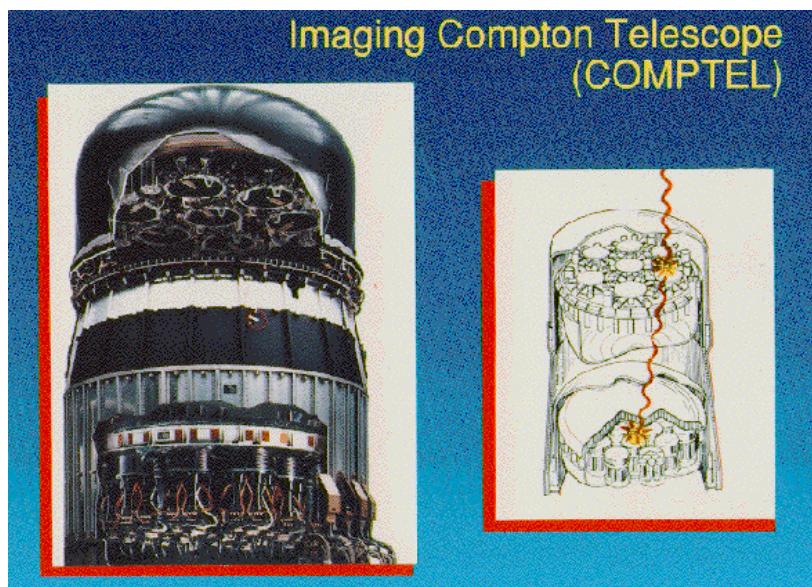
Achievable Sensitivity:  $\sim 10^{-5}$  ph cm $^{-2}$  s $^{-1}$ , Angular Resolution  $\geq$  deg

# Successful Telescopes for Gamma-Rays

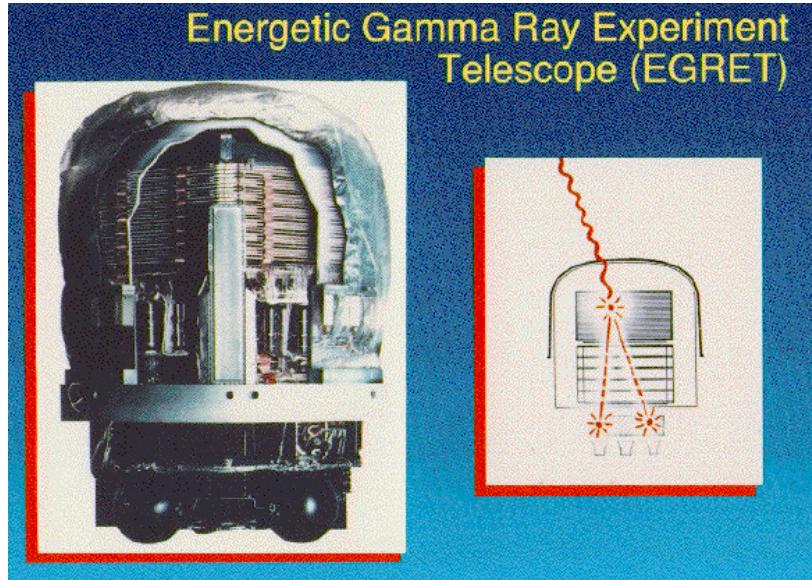
Oriented Scintillation Spectrometer Experiment (OSSE)



Imaging Compton Telescope (COMPTEL)



Energetic Gamma Ray Experiment Telescope (EGRET)



# Simple HE "Telescope": Collimating Incident Radiation

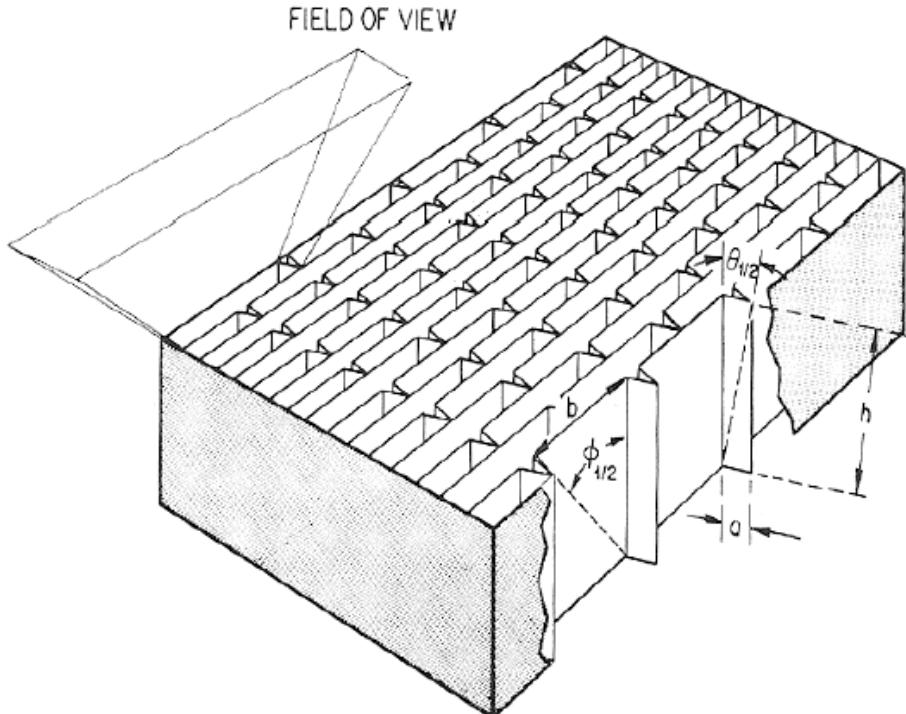


Fig. 2.16. A slat collimator, comprised of rectangular tubes of height  $h$  and cross section  $a \times b$ . X-rays which strike the tubes cannot reach the detector. The response pattern within the field of view has a triangular shape in each of the two orthogonal directions. The half-transmission angles are determined simply by the geometry:  $\tan\theta_{1/2} = a/h$ ;  $\tan\phi_{1/2} = b/h$ .

- very high-Z material
- walls extremely thin  
→ max. aperture
- but thick enough to stop X-rays of the highest energies
- usage for very long time possible
- cheap

# Collimated Gamma-Rays: OSSE on CGRO

## Oriented Scintillation Spectrometer Experiment (OSSE)

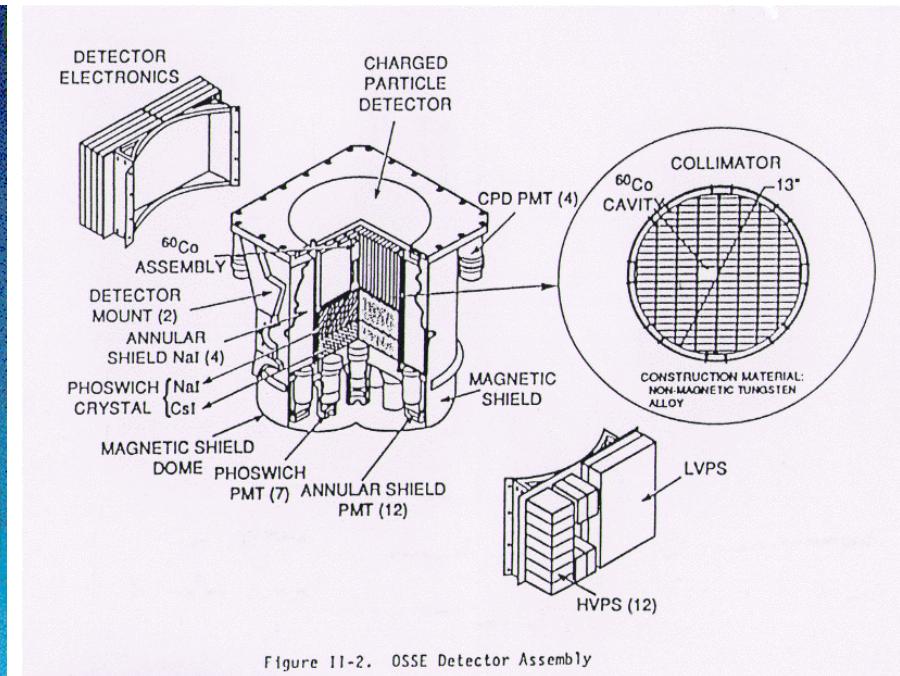
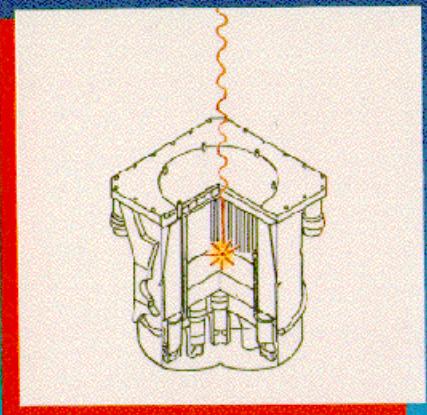
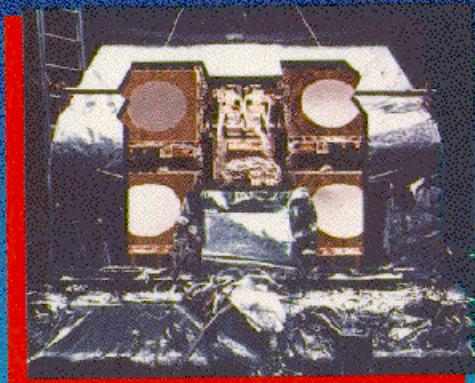
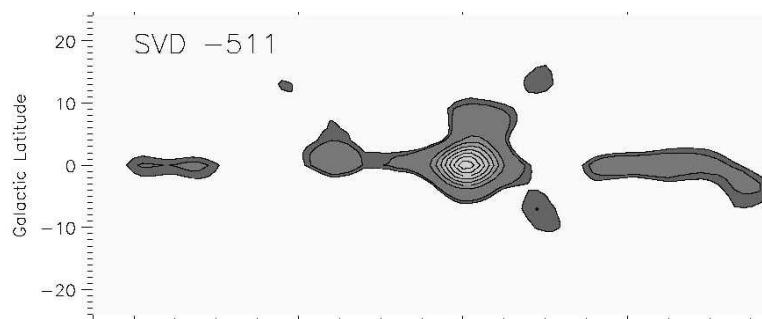


Figure II-2. OSSE Detector Assembly

## ★ Tungsten Collimators

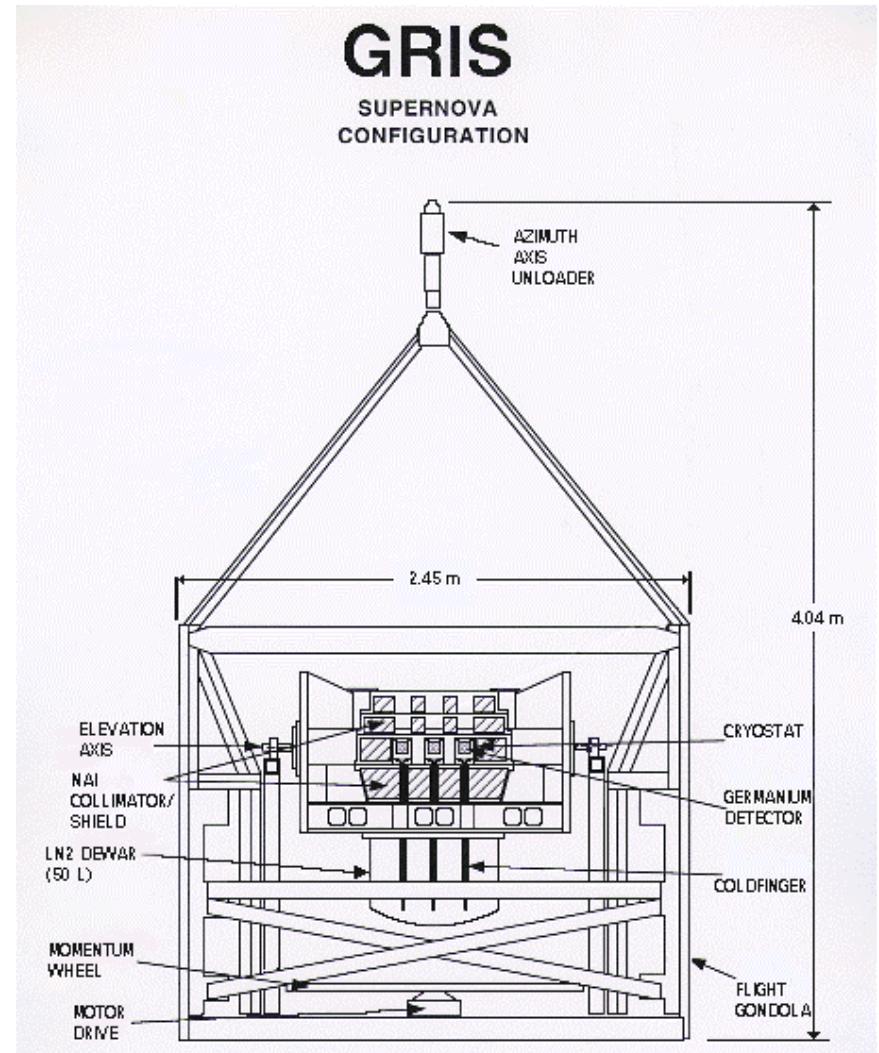
- ☞ Field of View  $3.8^\circ \times 11.4^\circ$
- ☞ Scanning Observations,  
Deconvolution Imaging Analysis



Courtesy of Roland Diehl, Institute für Physik und Kosmologie, Universität Regensburg

# Other “simple” Telescopes: GRIS

- High Spectral Resolution through Ge Detectors
- Aperture Defined Through NaI Shield Detectors
- Successful Balloon Flights 1987,... 1995



# Rotation Modulation Collimator

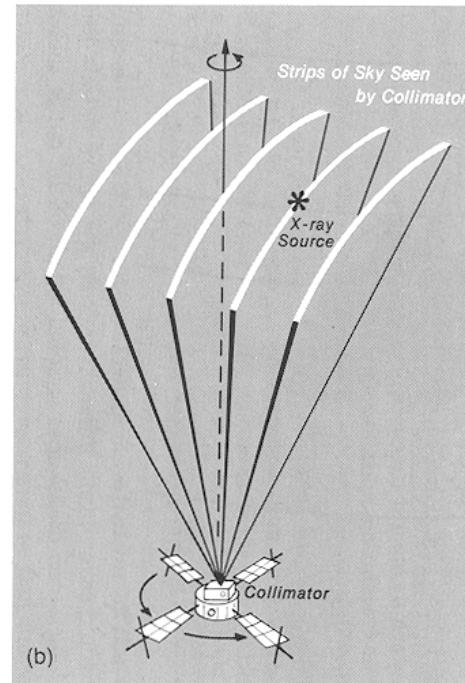
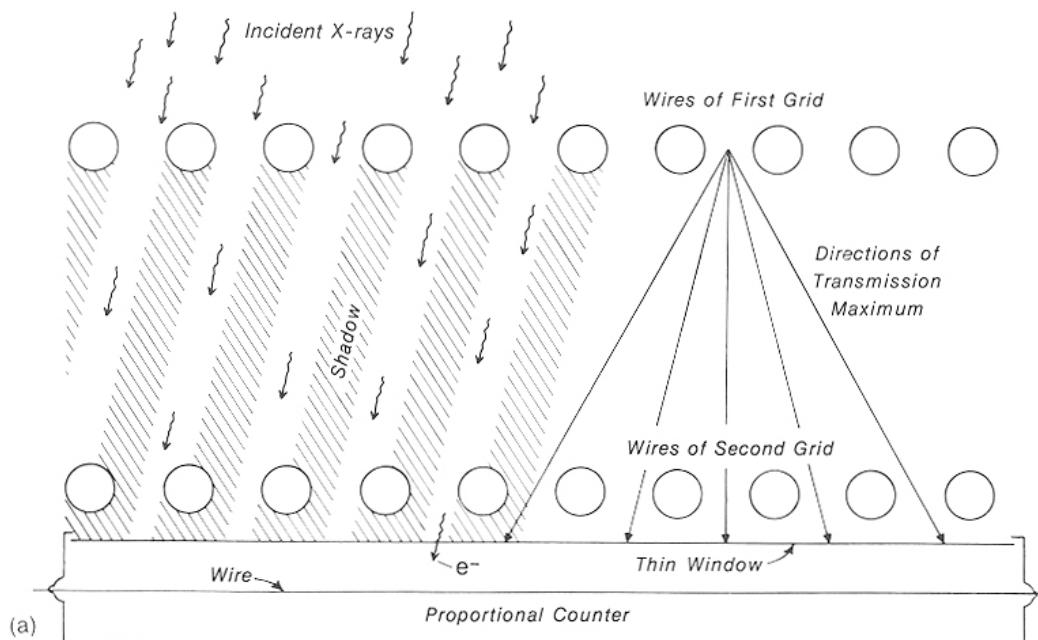
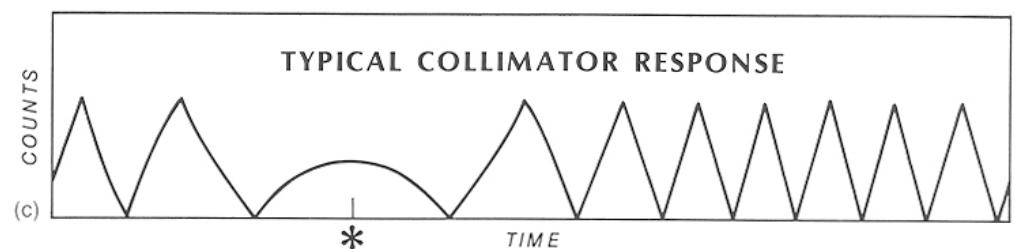


Fig. 2.3 Principle of operation of the modulation collimator, first used in rocket flights in the mid-1960s. Two separated wire grids (a) define a set of bands on the sky through which X-rays can be seen. By rotating the whole spacecraft a point source in this region will cross these bands (b) producing a modulated count rate as a function of time, as shown in the lower figure (c). This response pattern depends on where the source is within the overall field of view of the collimator, usually  $15^\circ$  or  $20^\circ$  across overall, and hence the location of the source can be determined to typically 1 arcminute. If the source is close to the centre of the rotation then the modulation is very slow compared to if the source were near the edge of the field of view, far from the centre of rotation. It is also possible to model such a detector's response to several X-ray sources in the field of view, thereby simultaneously determining the positions of all the sources. (Based on original diagrams by Hale Bradt and Herb Schnopper.)



# "Imaging" using Earth Occultation

- **Data Selection**

- **“Source” = Region of Interest Exposed**
- **“Background” = Region of Interest Behind Earth**

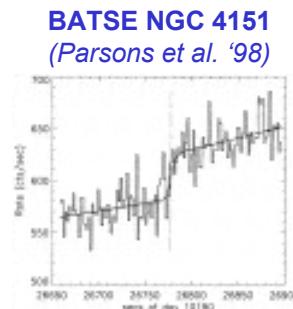
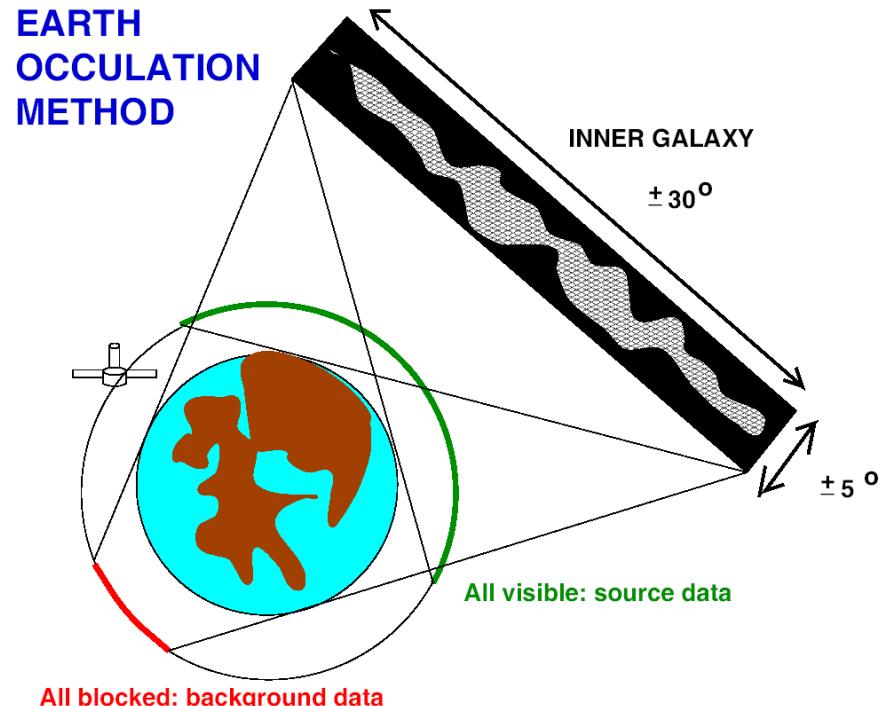
- **Applications**

- **BATSE on CGRO**

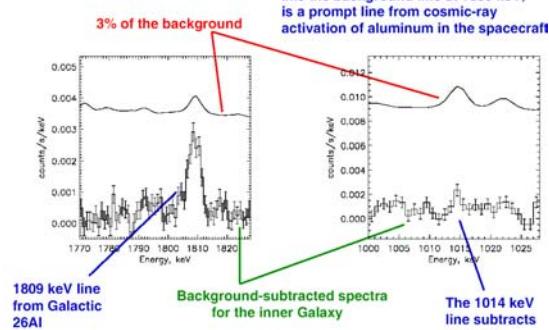
- **Monitoring of Point Sources;**  
*Harmon et al. 1991; ...*

- **RHESSI**

- **Imaging Diffuse Galactic Emission;**  
*Smith 2003*

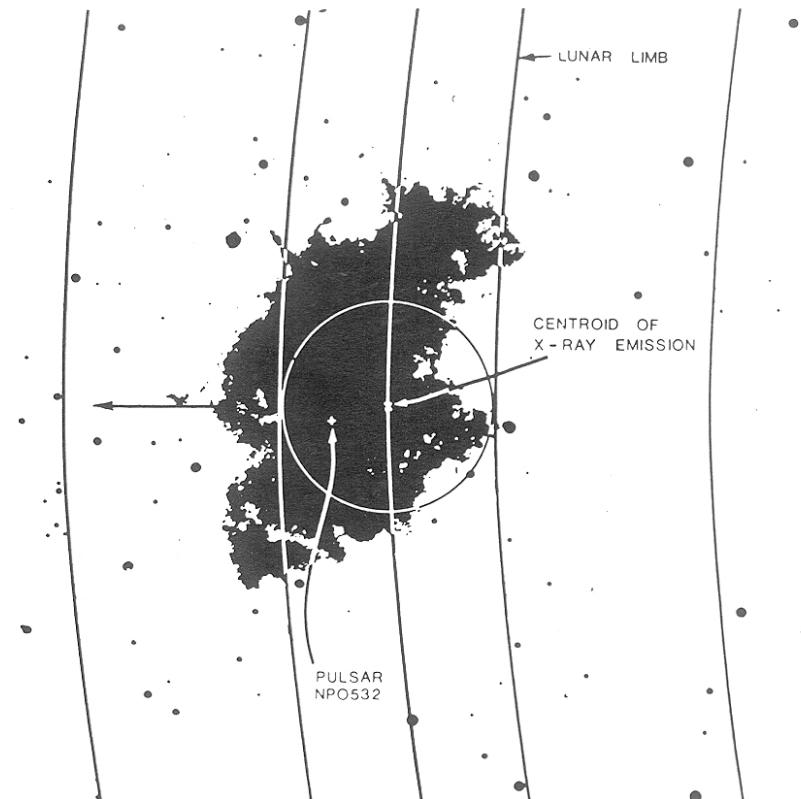
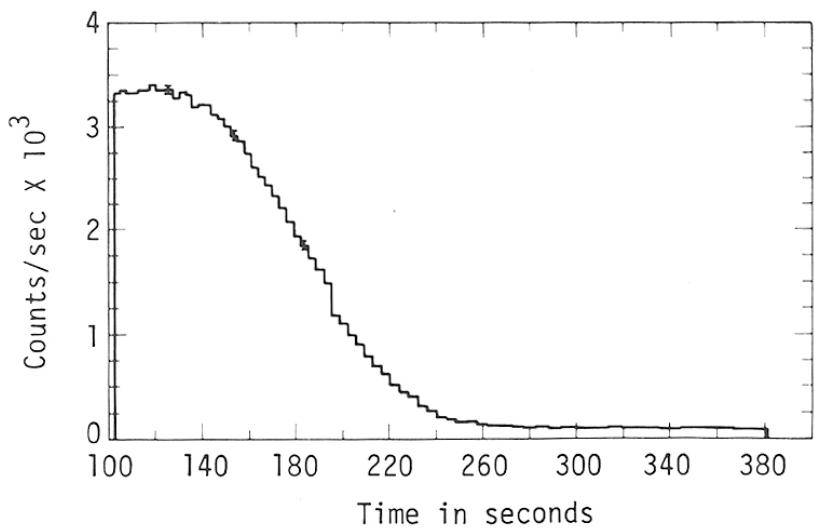


**RHESSI SPECTRA: 9 MONTHS OF DATA (3/02-11/02)**  
(Smith '03)

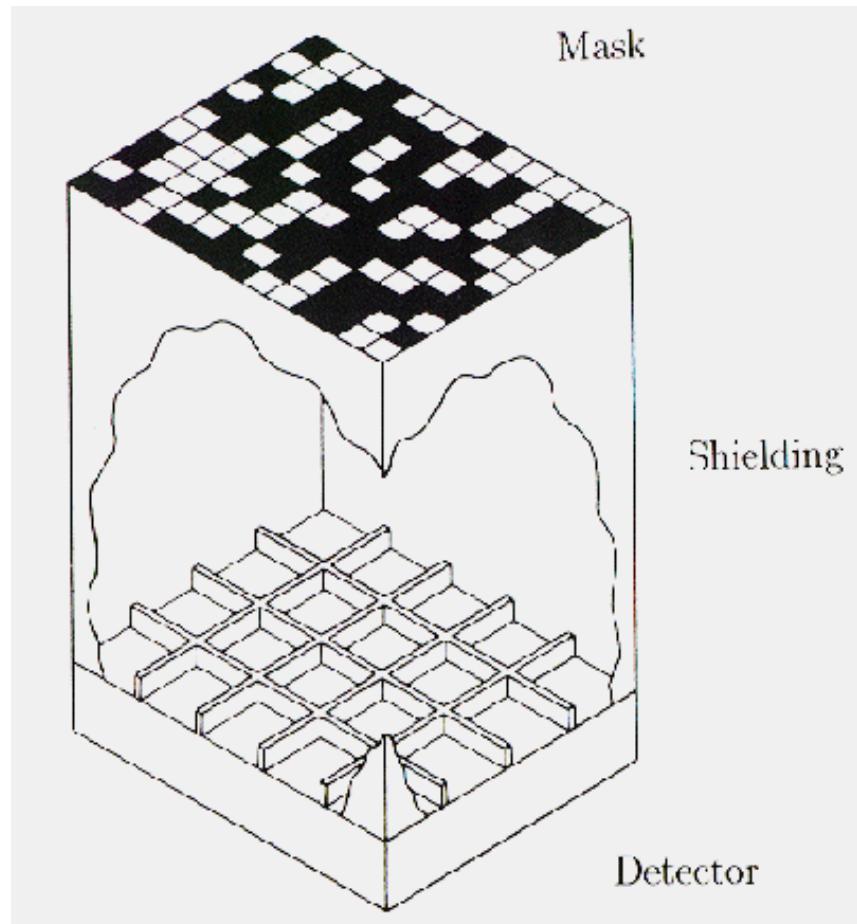
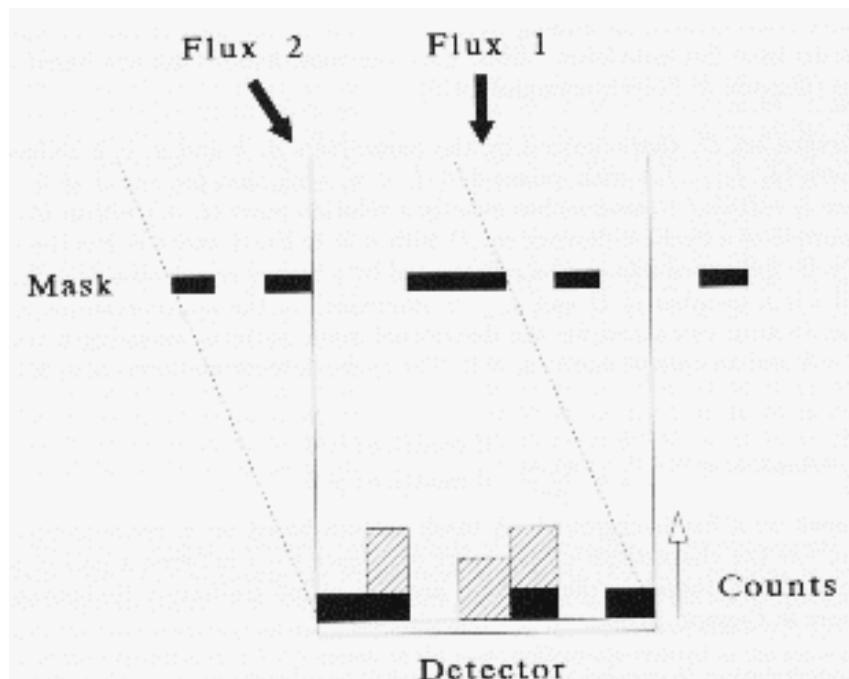


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# Lunar Occultation



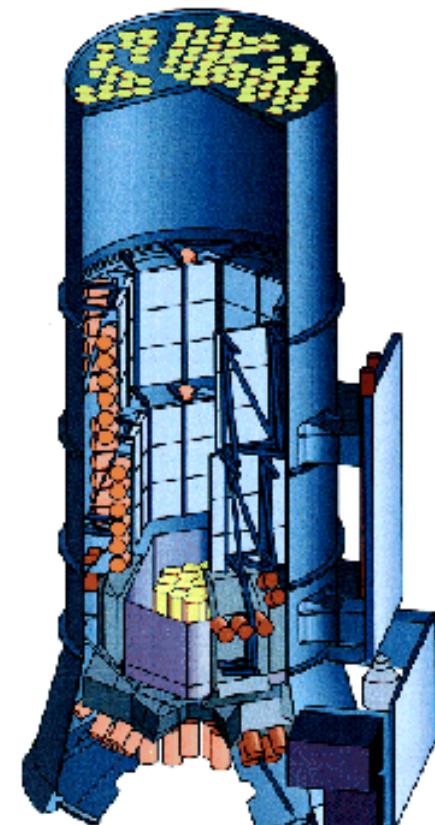
# Coded Mask Imaging



# Casting a Source Shadow: Coded Mask Telescopes

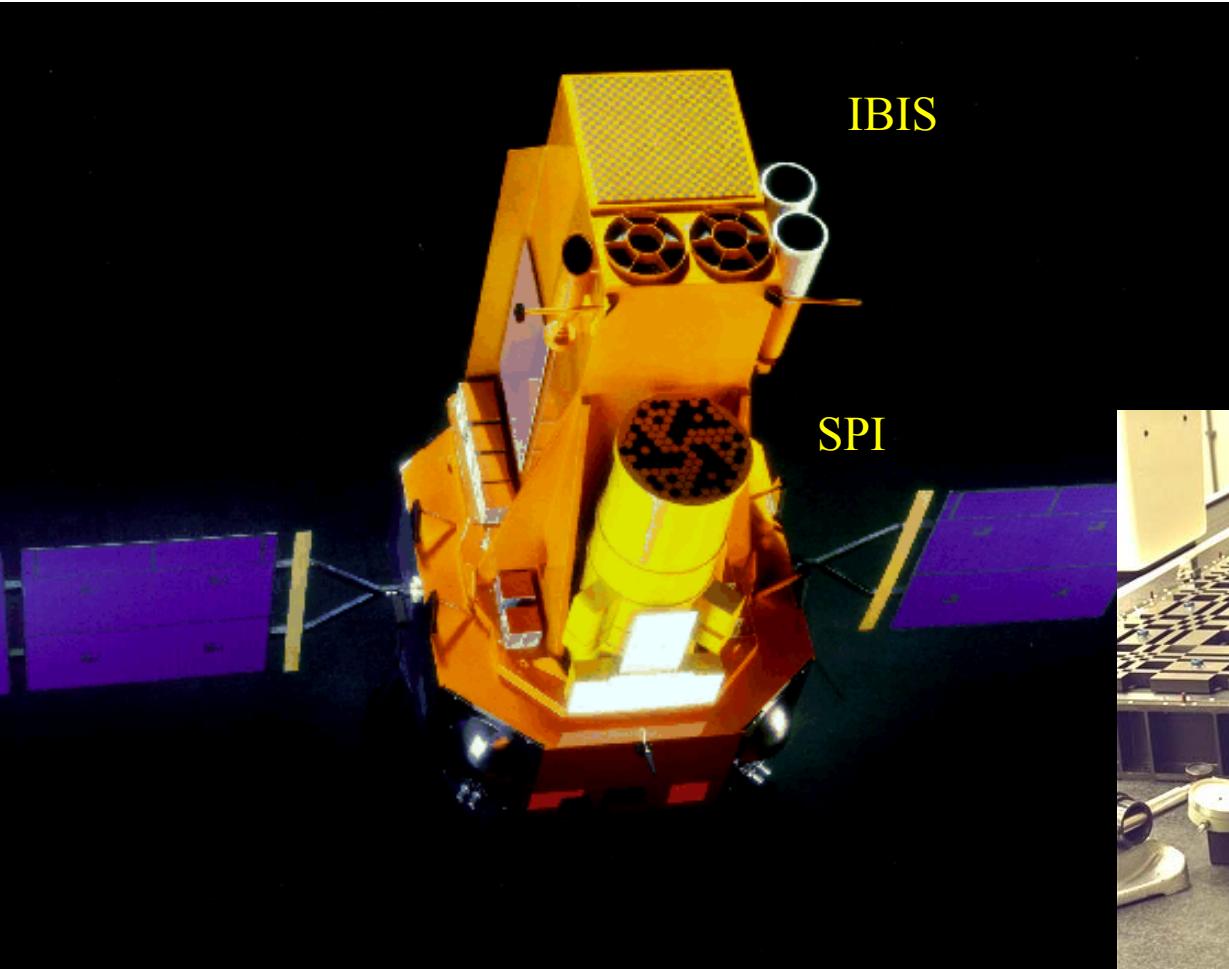
ref. e.g.: Skinner

- ★ A Semi-Transparent Mask Occults Part of the Position-Sensitive Gamma-Ray Detector Plane
- ★ Recognition of the Mask Shadow in the Detectors' Signal -> "Imaging a Source"
  - ☞ Telescope = Mask & Detector Hardware + Imaging Software
- ★ Masks
  - ☞ Uniformly Redundant Arrays
  - ☞ Adapted to Detector Spatial Resolution
  - ☞ Optimized for Larger Field of View
    - » Partially/Fully Coded FoV
- ★ Imaging
  - ☞ Correlation
  - ☞ Fourier-Domain Filtering



SPI on INTEGRAL

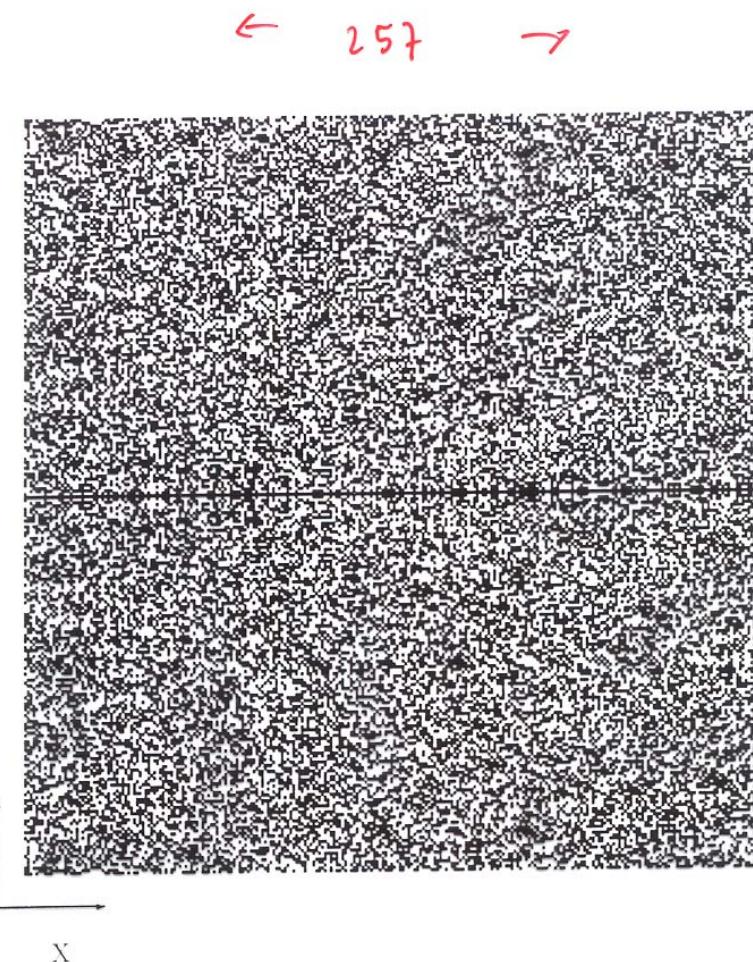
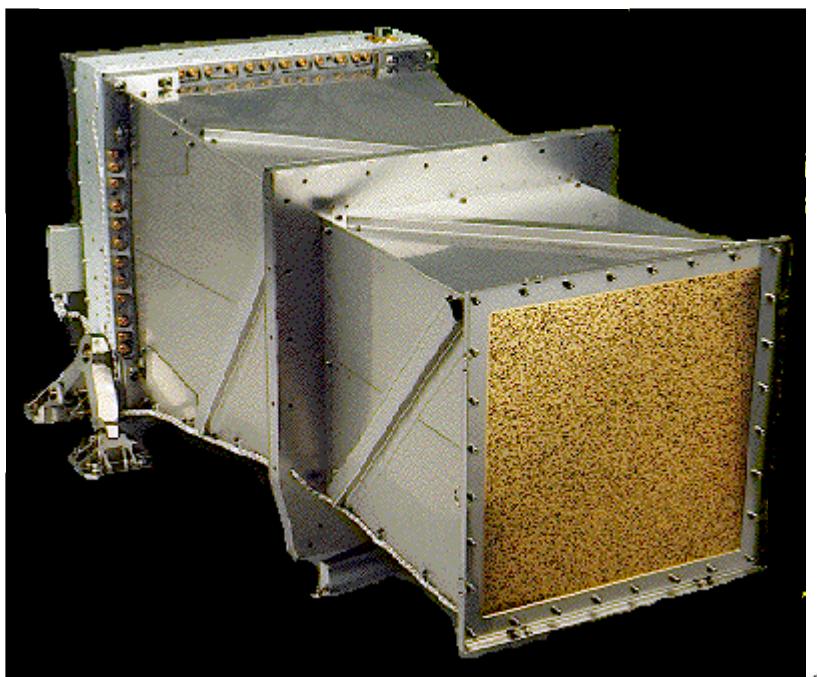
# Integral



IBIS Coded Mask



# BeppoSAX Coded Mask Camera (WFC)



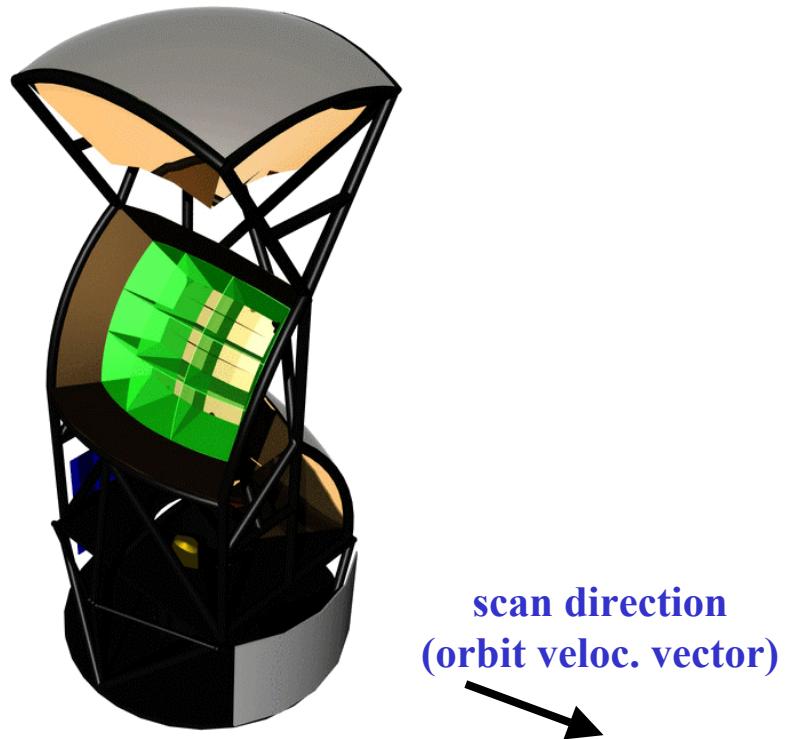
# EXIST Mission Concept

*Free-Flyer (500 km,  $i \sim 20^\circ$ ):*

- Zenith pointing (Survey mode)
- 3-axis pointing (Observatory *and* survey)
- 3 coded aperture telescopes ( $60^\circ \times 75^\circ$  each)  
→  $180^\circ \times 75^\circ$  fan-beam: all sky per orbit

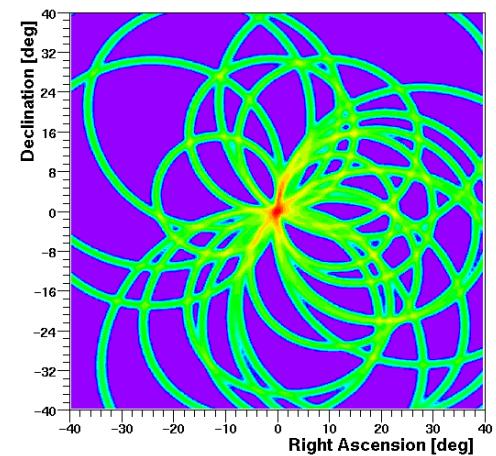
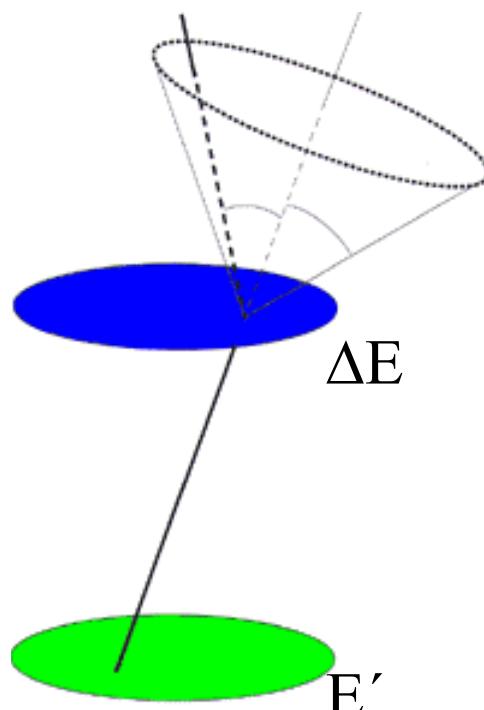
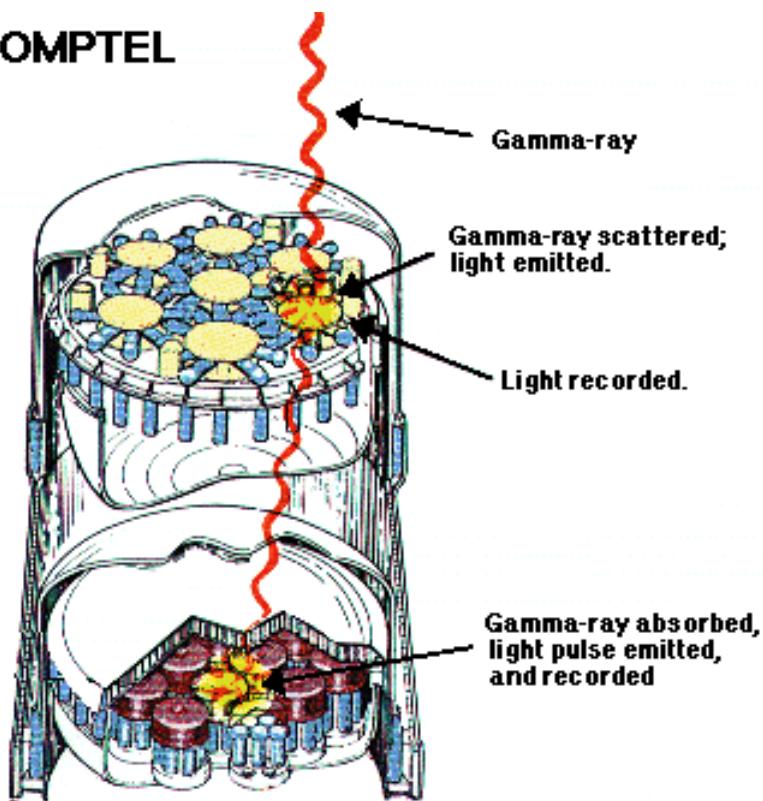
*Mission Parameters:*

- CZT tiled arrays: 8m<sup>2</sup> total area
- Passive and active shielding
- Mass, power, telemetry: 8500kg, 1200W, 1.2mbps (X-band)
- Delta-IV launch



# Compton Telescope

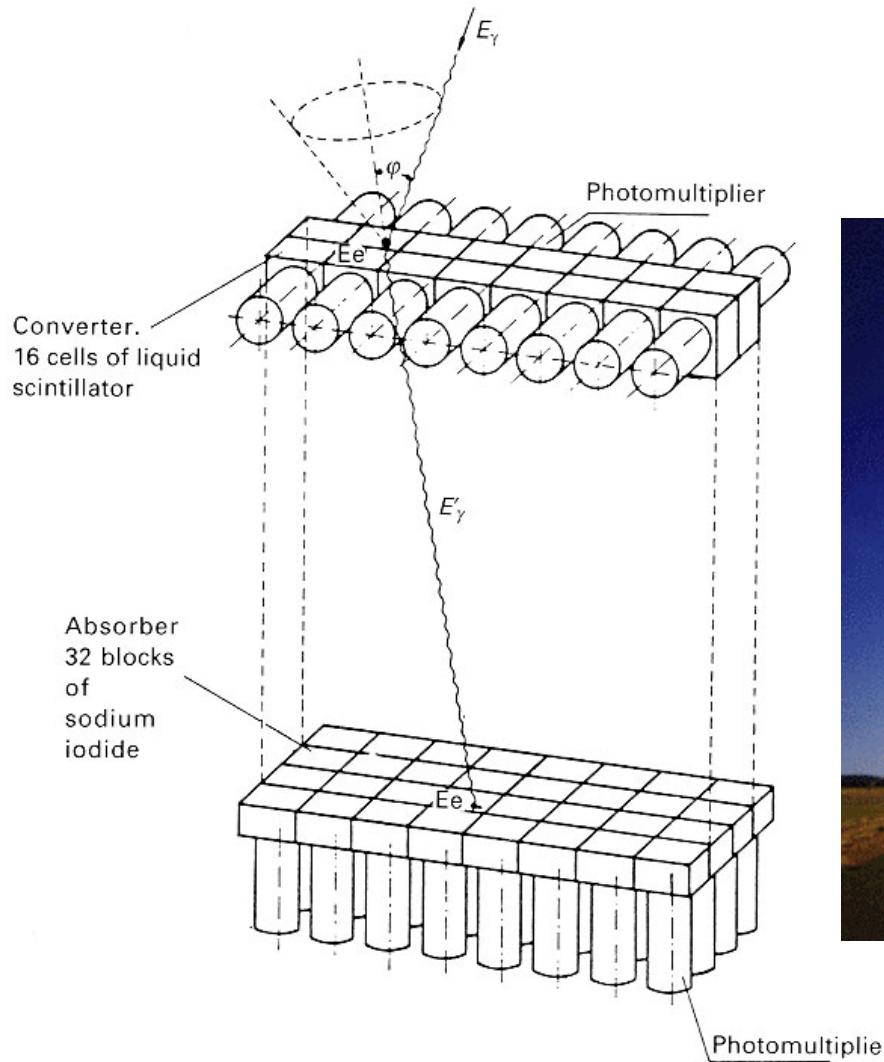
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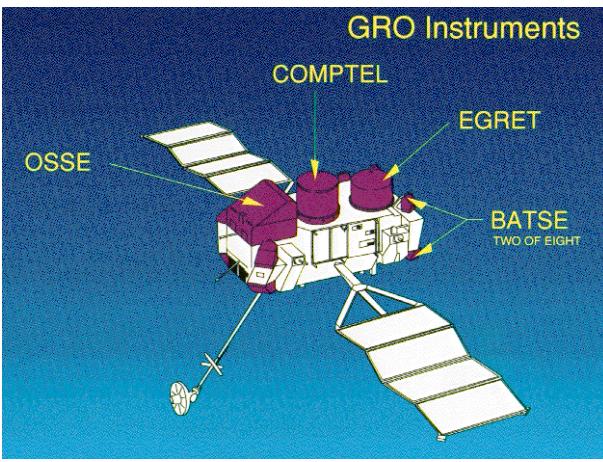
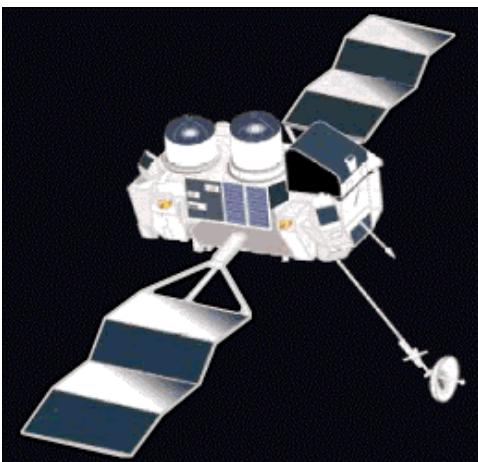
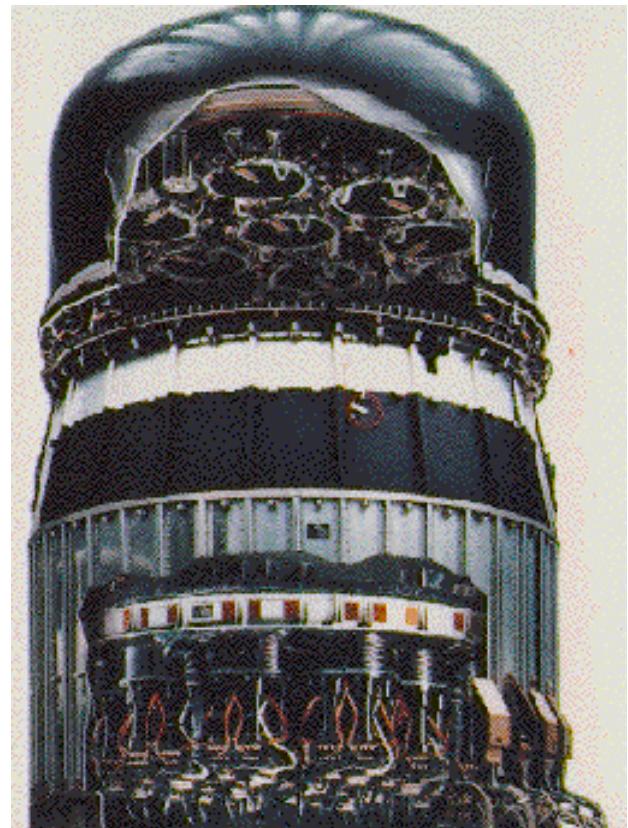
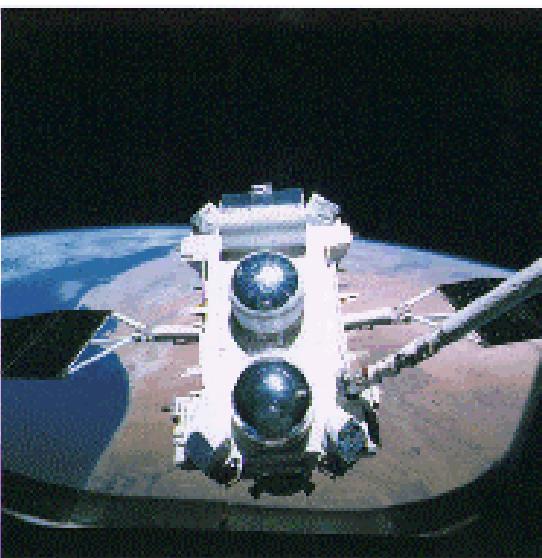
$$E' = \frac{E}{1 + \frac{E}{m_e c^2} (1 - \cos \theta)}$$

$$\varphi_{geometric} = \arccos \left\{ 1 + m_e c^2 \left( \frac{1}{E_\gamma} - \frac{1}{E_\gamma - \Delta E} \right) \right\}$$

# Compton Telescope Balloon

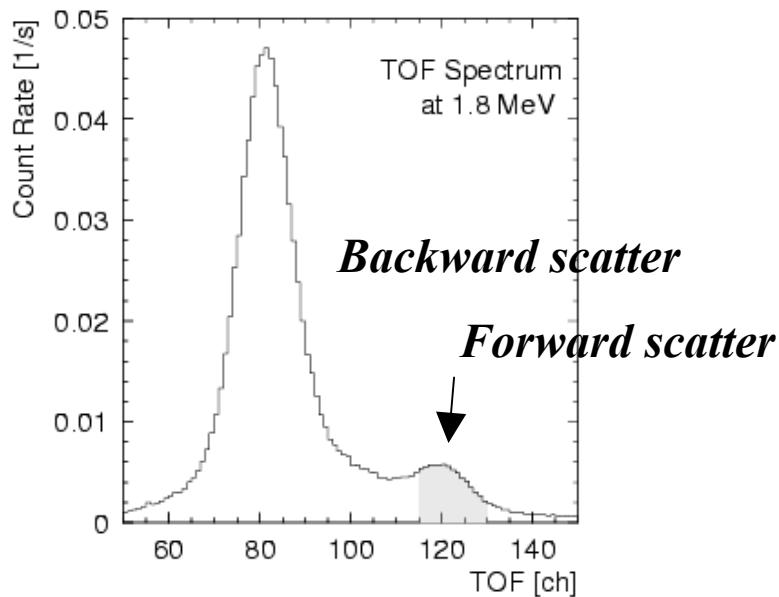


# Pioneering Space Compton Telescope: COMPTEL on CGRO (1991-2000)



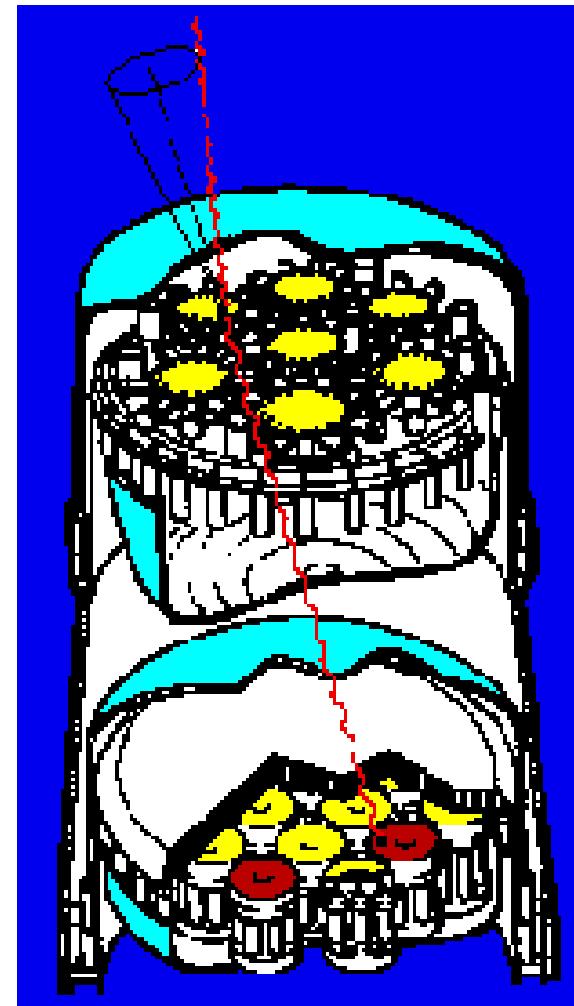
# Pioneering Space Compton Telescope: COMPTEL on CGRO

Interaction sequence obtained by time-of-flight (TOF) measurement.

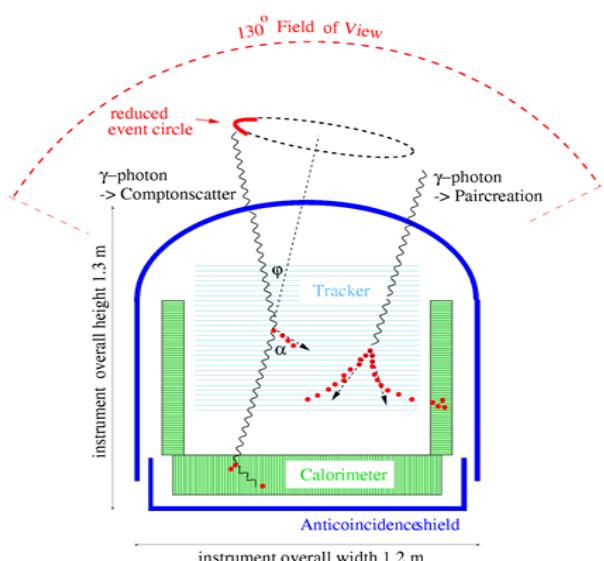


Advantage: clear separation of forward and backward events.

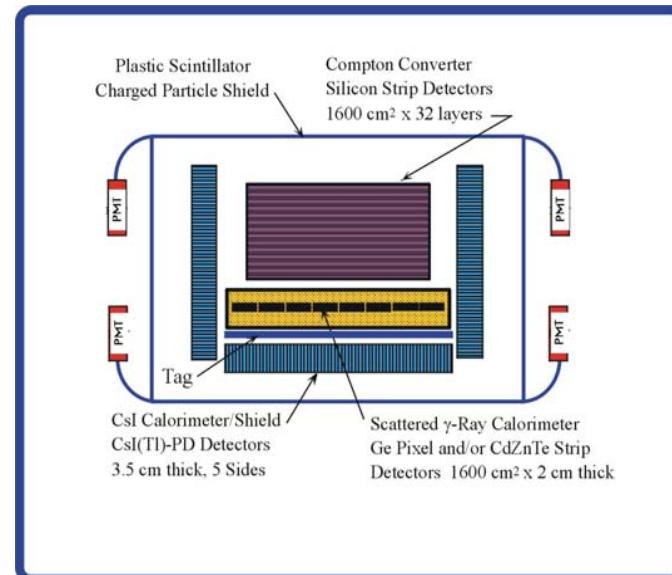
Disadvantage: low efficiency due to solid angle effect.



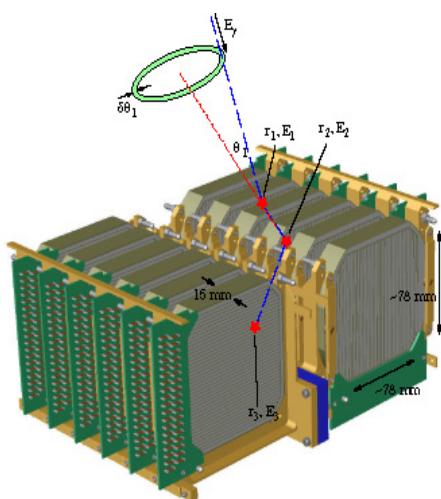
# Compton Telescopes



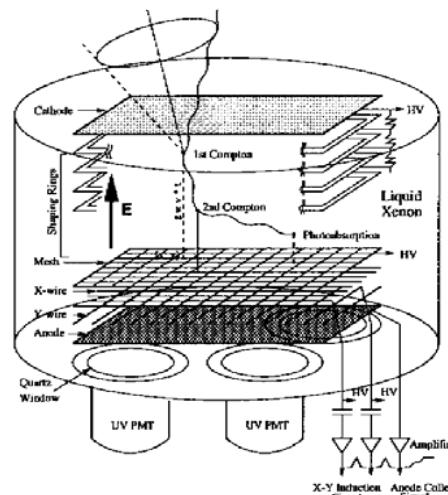
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Nuclear Compton Telescope (NCT)



LXeGRIT

FIGURE 1. Schematic of the liquid xenon time projection chamber

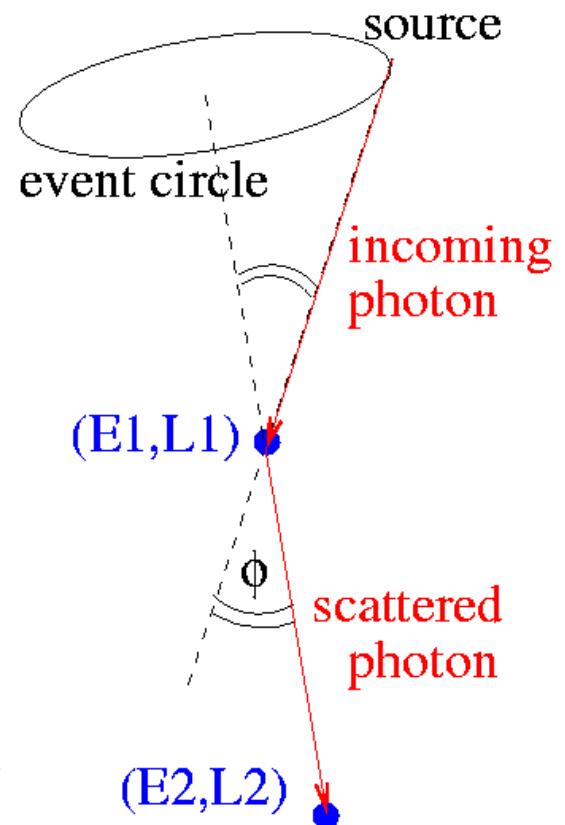
# Compton Imaging: Limits & Improvements

## Compton Imaging Measurement of:

- Gamma-ray energy  $E_g$
- Energy transfer to electron  $E_e$
- Direction and orientation of scattered  $\gamma$ -ray

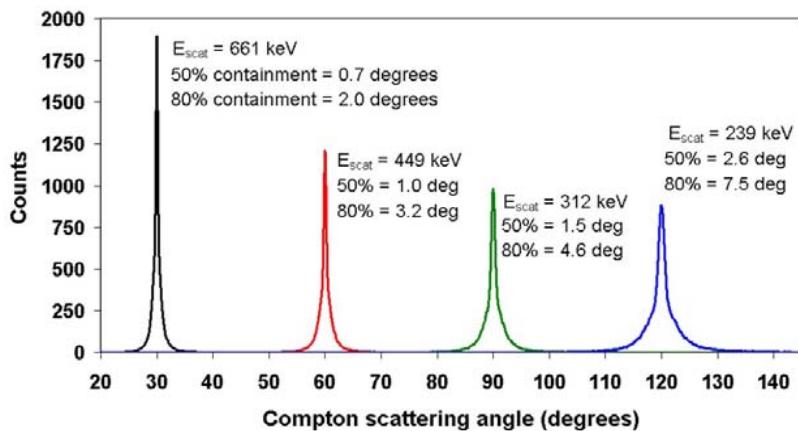
## Issues:

- Direction/Momentum of  $e^-$
- Compton-scattered  $e^-$  not at Rest
- Multiple Interactions
- Background Events

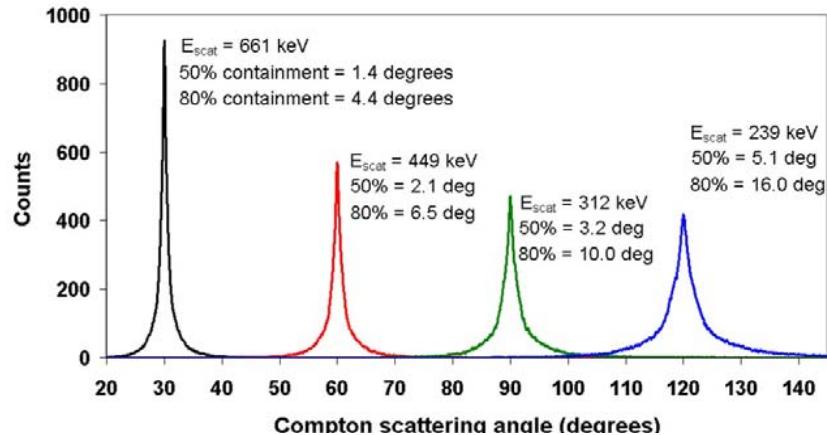


# Angular Resolution Limits due to Doppler Broadening

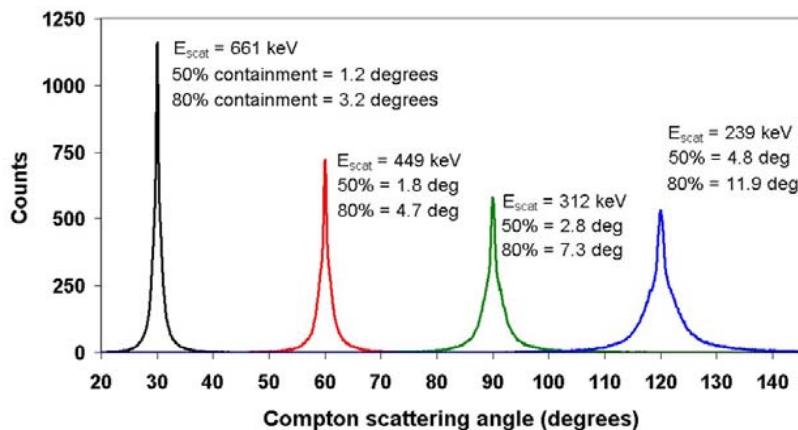
Silicon:  $E_{\text{inc}} = 800 \text{ keV}$



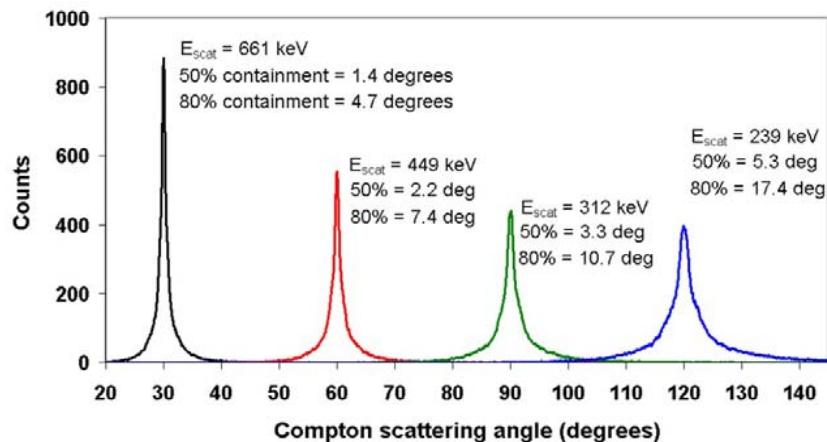
CZT:  $E_{\text{inc}} = 800 \text{ keV}$



Germanium:  $E_{\text{inc}} = 800 \text{ keV}$



Xenon:  $E_{\text{inc}} = 800 \text{ keV}$



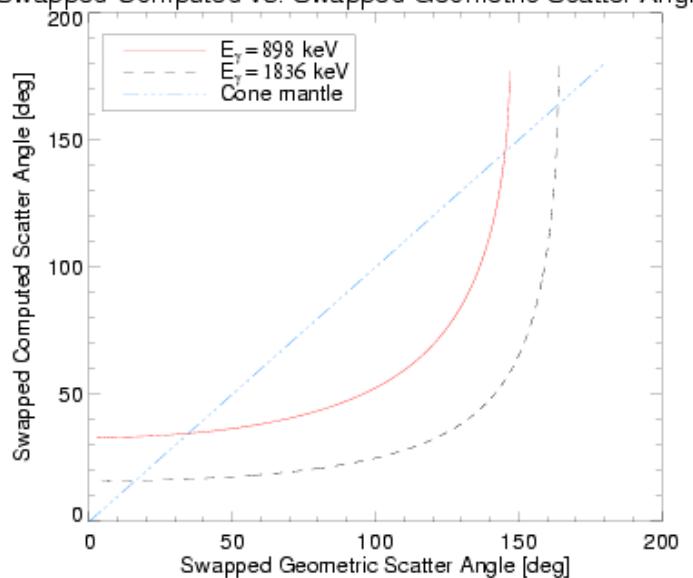
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# Two-Site Events: The Problem of Time Sequence

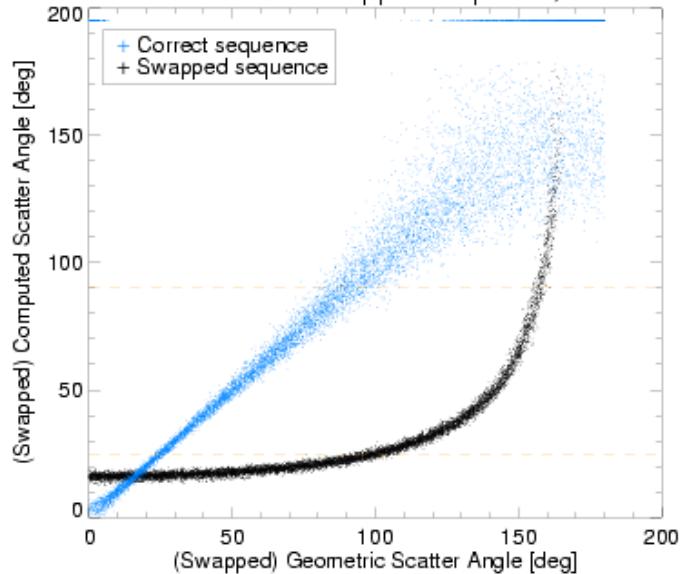
## Options for Discrimination:

- Time-of-flight
- Electron tracking
- Probabilities of sequences:
  - without assumption of source location: energy sharing.
  - with (some) assumption of source location, e.g., for a gamma-ray originating from the sky (above horizon):
    - locations of interactions
    - orientation
- Allow both sequences in imaging, assign corresponding probabilities in response function.

Swapped Computed vs. Swapped Geometric Scatter Angle



PSF for Correct and Swapped Sequence, 1836 keV



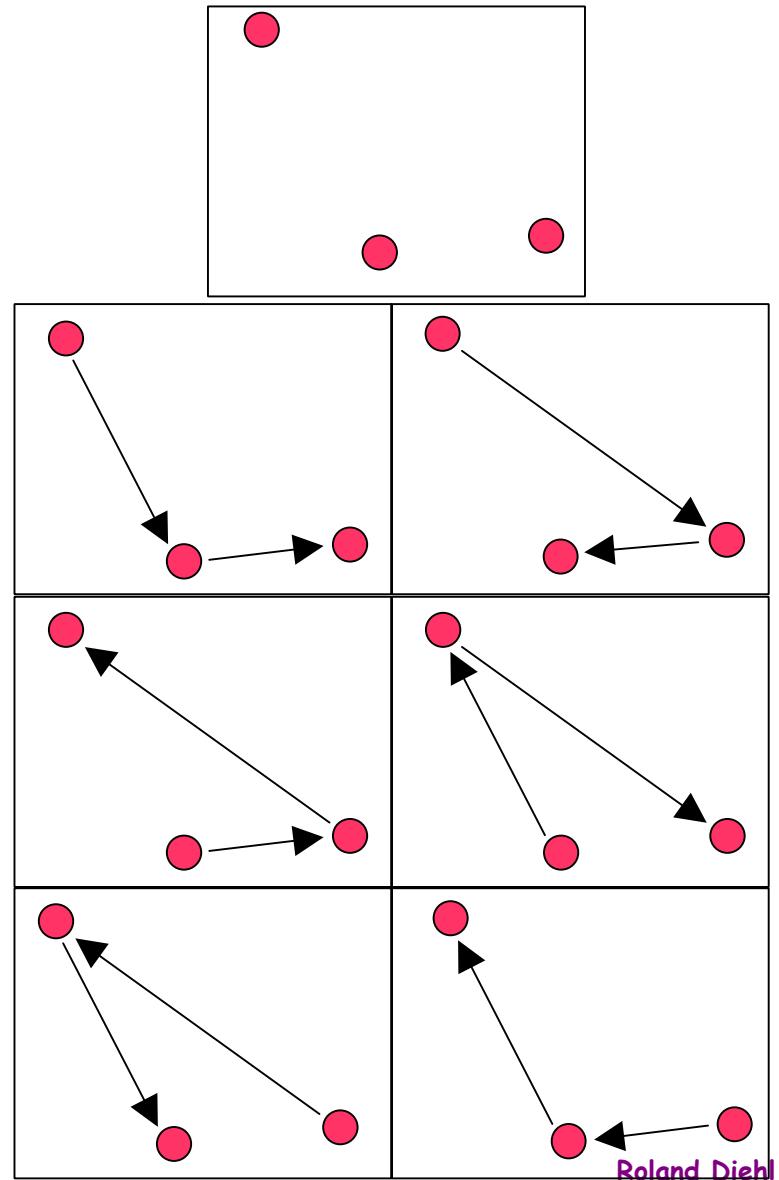
# The Problem of the Time Sequence for Multiple-Site (>2) Events

Number of possible scatter directions and orientations grows with  $n!$

Allowing any sequence is therefore *not* an option.

Options (other than TOF or tracking):

- " Probabilities of sequences based on Compton kinematics, using redundant information on the interior angles.
- " Probabilities of sequences based on additional criteria:
  - separations
  - energy deposit in "last" scatter
  - location of "first" scatter, ...



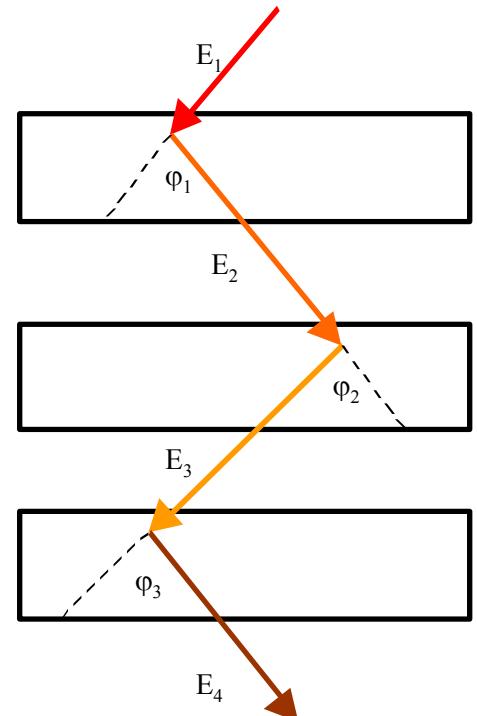
# 3-Compton Multiple Scatter Technique

$$\cos \varphi_1 = 1 - m_e c^2 \left( \frac{1}{E_2} - \frac{1}{E_1} \right) \quad L_1 = E_1 - E_2$$

$$\cos \varphi_2 = 1 - m_e c^2 \left( \frac{1}{E_3} - \frac{1}{E_2} \right) \quad L_2 = E_2 - E_3$$

$$\cos \varphi_3 = 1 - m_e c^2 \left( \frac{1}{E_4} - \frac{1}{E_3} \right) \quad L_3 = E_3 - E_4$$

$$E_1 = L_1 + \frac{L_2 + \left[ L_2^2 + \frac{4m_e c^2 L_2}{1 - \cos \varphi_2} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}}{2}$$



Incident gamma ray energy determined with partial energy loss

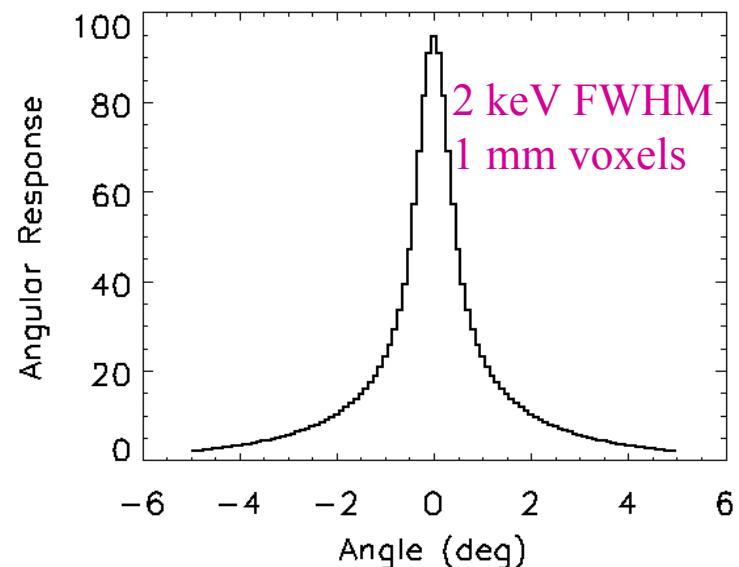
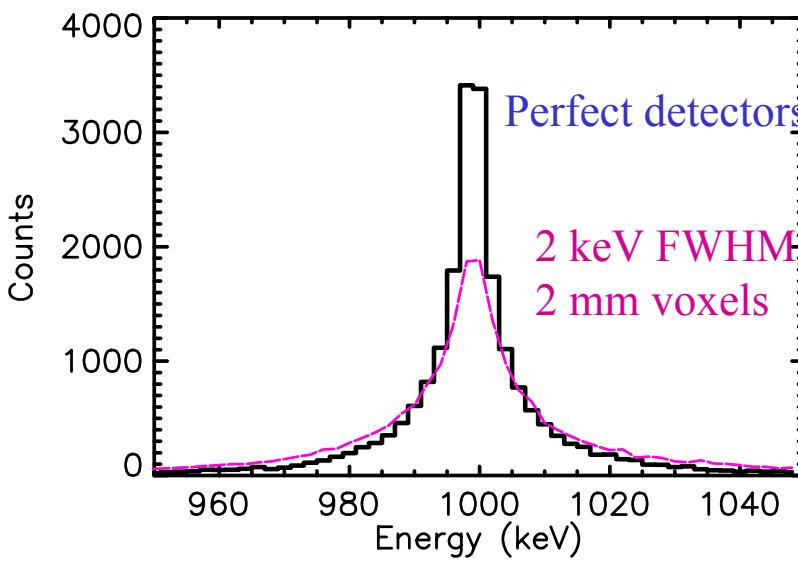
- Unknown source: 3 interactions required to determine energy,  $E_1$
- Known source: 2 interactions required to determine energy,  $E_1$
- Dramatic improvement in efficiency
- New alternative: Compton telescope using thick silicon detectors
- Kurfess et al., Proc. 5<sup>th</sup> Compton Symp. AIP 510, 789 (2000)

courtesy J. Kurfess

# *Errors in E<sub>1</sub> and φ<sub>1</sub>*

$$dE_1 = \left[ dL_1^2 + \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} \left[ L_2^2 + \frac{4mc^2 L_2}{(1-\cos\varphi_2)} \right]^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left[ 2L_2 + \frac{4mc^2}{(1-\cos\varphi_2)} \right] \right)^2 dL_2^2 + \left( \frac{\sin\varphi_2}{4} \left[ L_2^2 + \frac{4mc^2 L_2}{(1-\cos\varphi_2)} \right]^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left[ \frac{4mc^2 L_2}{(1-\cos\varphi_2)^2} \right] \right)^2 d\phi_2^2 \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

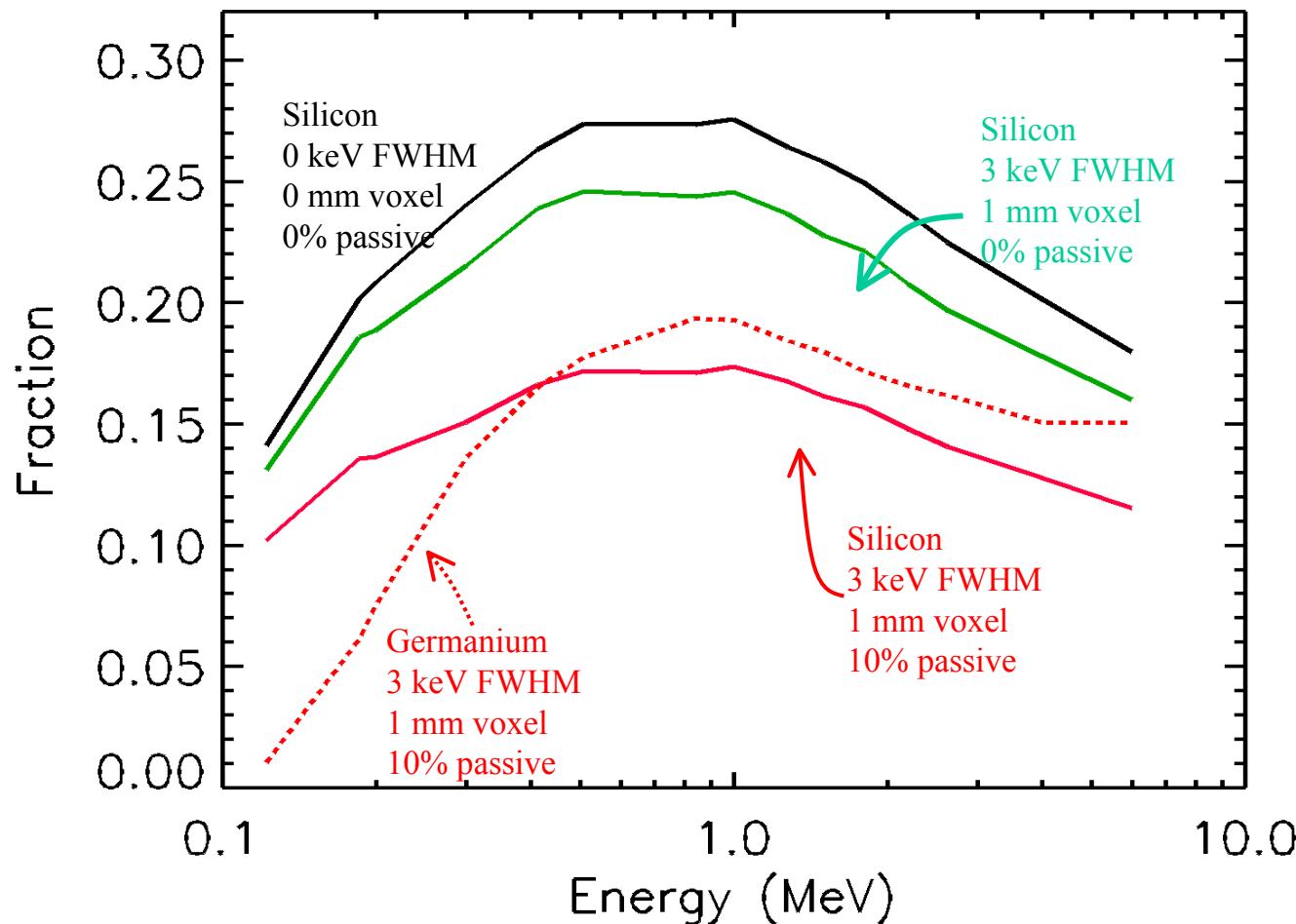
$$d\varphi_1 = \frac{mc^2}{\sin\varphi_1} \left[ \left( \frac{1}{(E_1 - L_1)^2} - \frac{1}{E_1^2} \right)^2 dE_1^2 + \frac{dL_1^2}{(E_1 - L_1)^4} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$$



**Typical energy and angular response at 1 MeV for 3-gamma instrument**

*courtesy J. Kurfess*

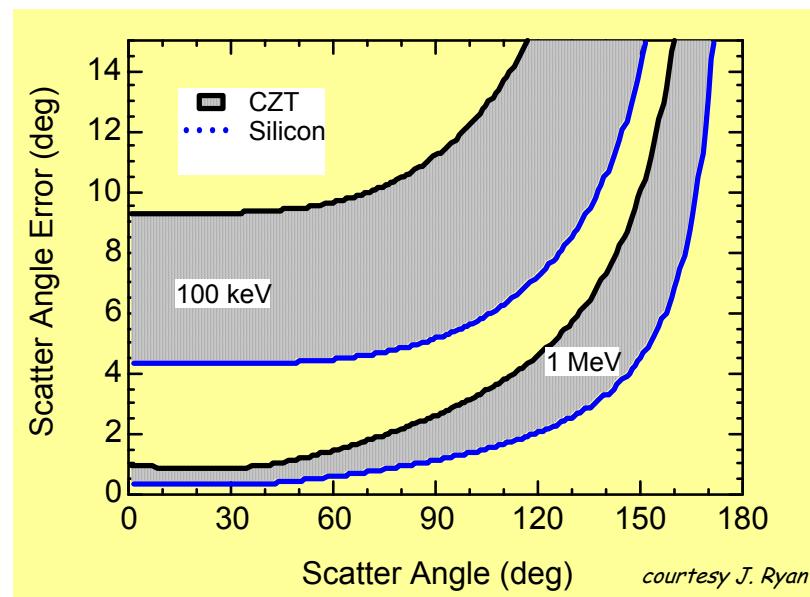
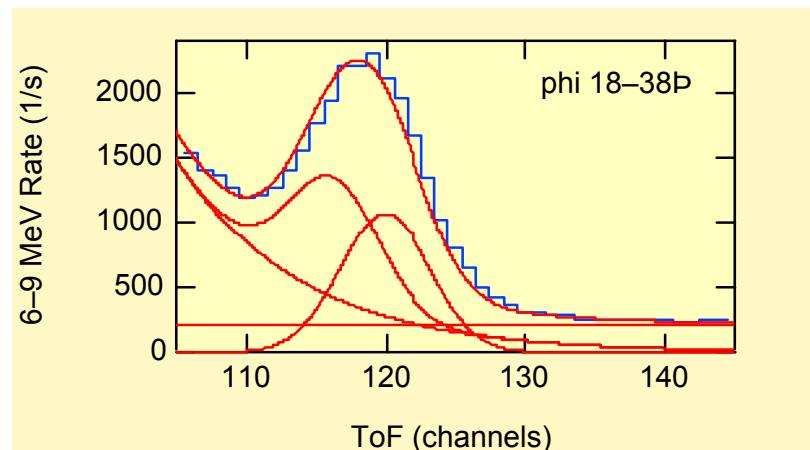
# 3-Compton Efficiency



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# Background Issues for Compton Telescopes

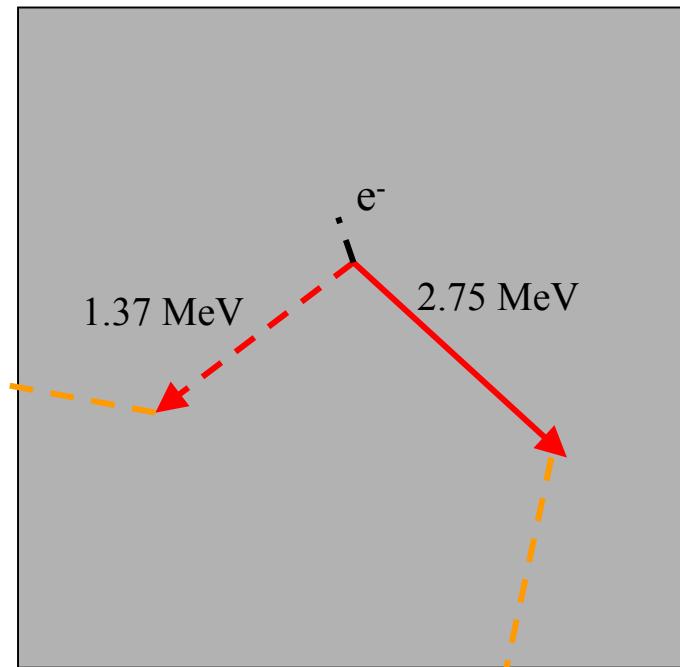
1. Event ambiguity.
    - A. Forward vs. backward
    - B. Neutron vs.  $\gamma$
  2. Accidental coincidences with high count rate from large area.
  3. Multiple photon, neutron induced, background.
  4. Activation of passive material.
  5. Doppler broadening effect.
- COMPTEL suffered from all but 1A and 5.



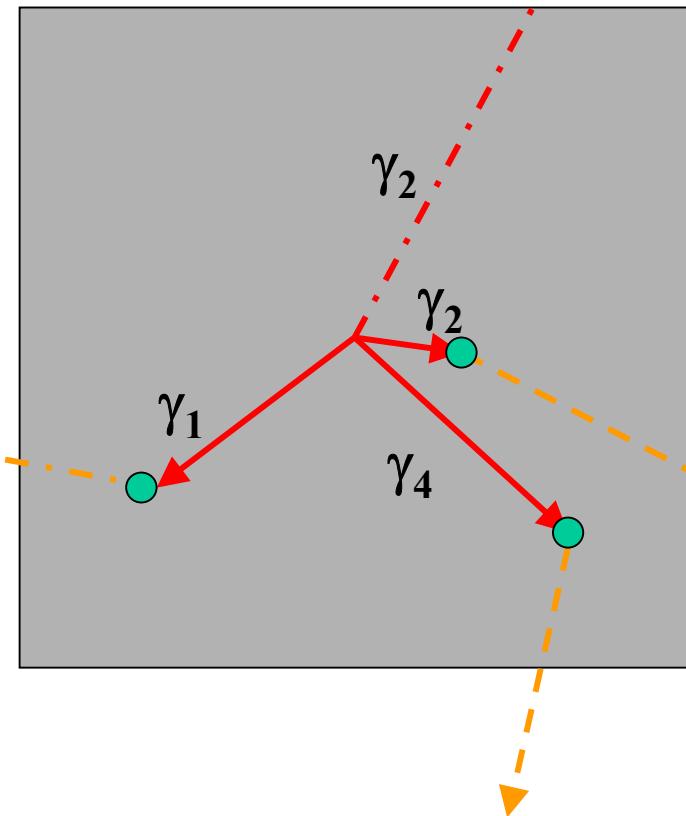
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# *Rejection of Internal Background*

$^{24}\text{Na}$  decay



N-capture cascade

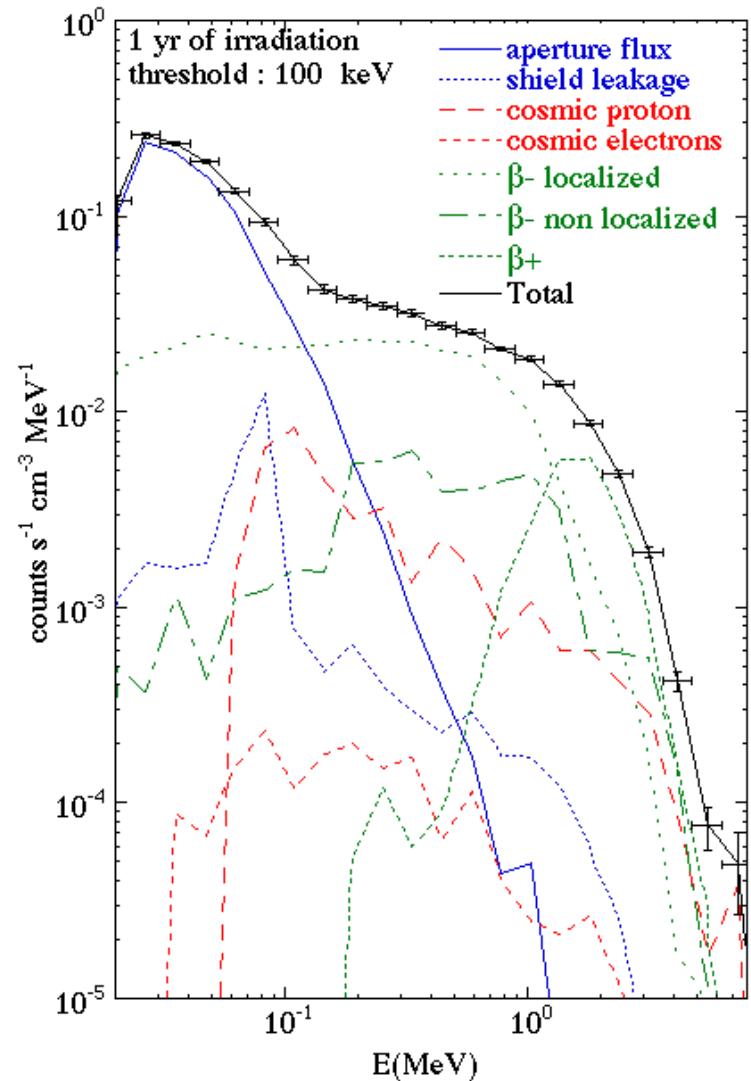


**How does rejection efficiency depend on energy and position resolution?**

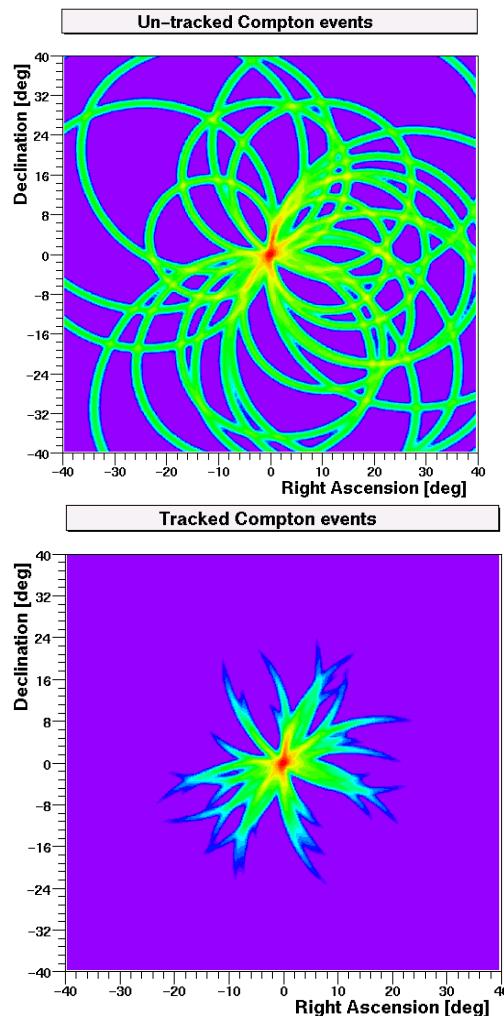
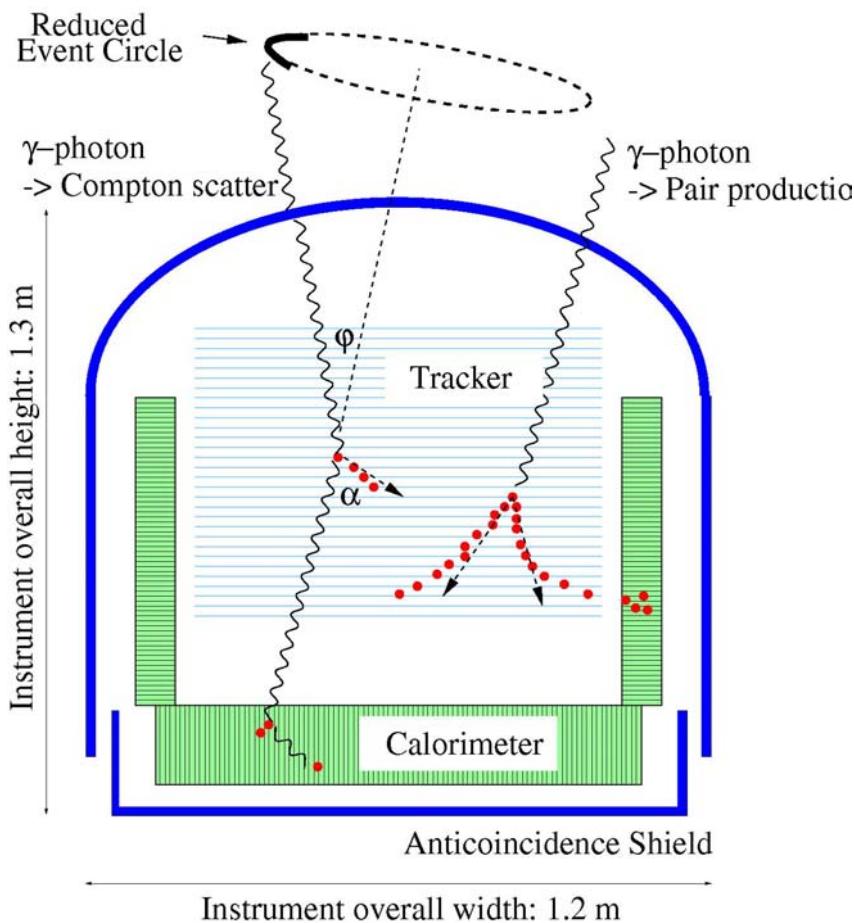
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# Background Simulations

- ★ Use Adopted Cosmic-Ray Environment (Flux, Spectrum)
- ★ Employ Mass Model of Space Experiment
- ★ Follow CR Interactions
  - ☛ Activated Nuclei
  - ☛ Cascades
  - ☛ Neutrons, Protons, Electrons, Gamma-Rays
- ☛ Example for SPI/INTEGRAL Ge Dectector Backgorund



# MEGA: Advanced Compton Telescope Imaging

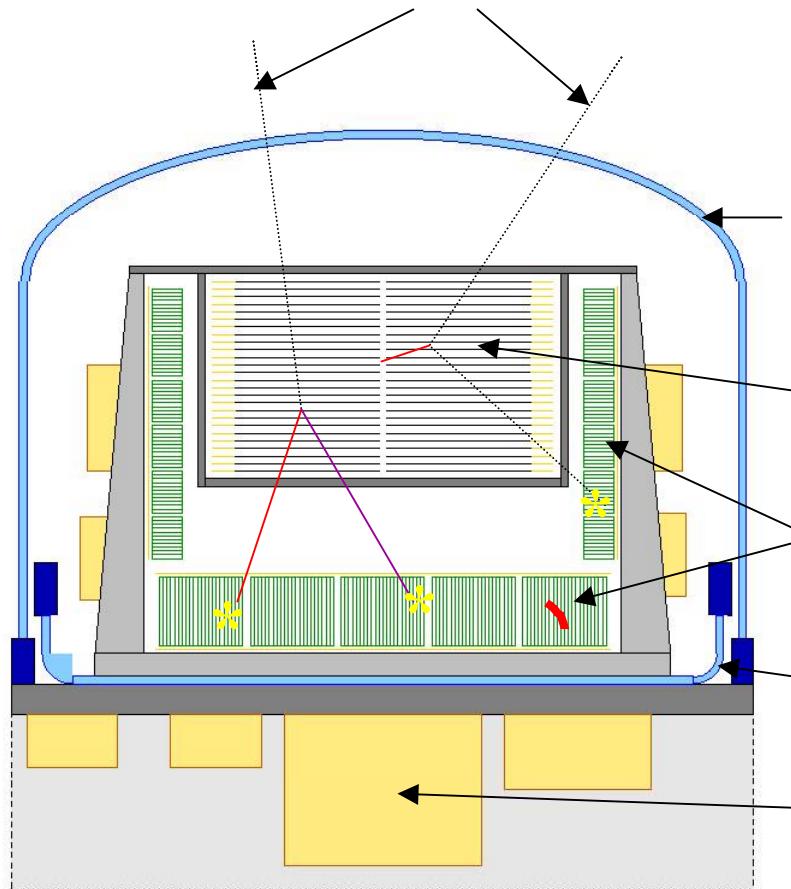


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# MEGA

Incident  $\gamma$  Photons



Charged-Particle Anticoincidence  
(Plastic Scintillator)

Electron Tracker (D1)  
(Si Strip Detectors)

Calorimeter (D2) (CsI)

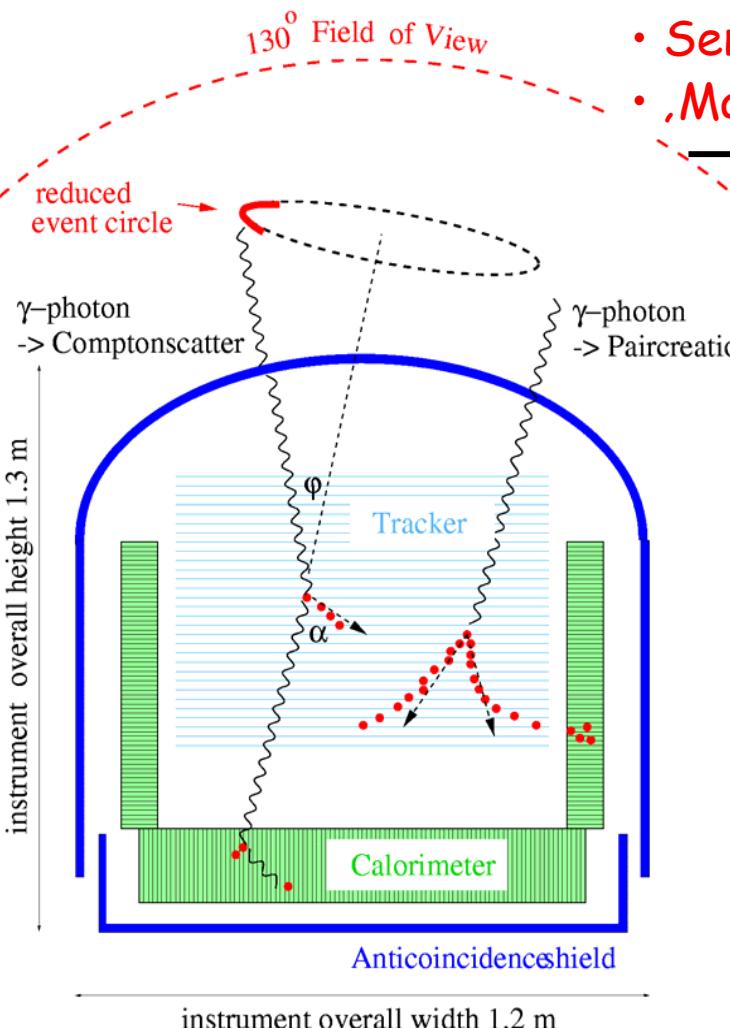
Plastic Scintillator (Anticoincidence)

Electronics

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# Gamma-Ray Detection via Compton and Pair Creation Interactions



- Selective Trigger & good Background Rejection
- Large and Sensitive
- Sensitive to Polarization @ a few MeV
- 'Matched' Resolution (Angular and Energy)

MPE/MEGA choice of technique:

**Tracker:** double sided Si strip detectors

**Calorimeter:** CsI/PIN diode pixel arrays

Scale of detector for  $A_{\text{eff}} \sim 100 \text{ cm}^2$ ?

$$A_{\text{eff}} = (1 - e^{-\mu d}) A_{\text{geom}} \eta$$

$\mu \sim 0.1 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  ( $> 100 \text{ keV}$ ) in Si

$A_{\text{geom}} \sim 1300 \text{ cm}^2$  ( $= 36 \times 36 \text{ cm}^2$ )

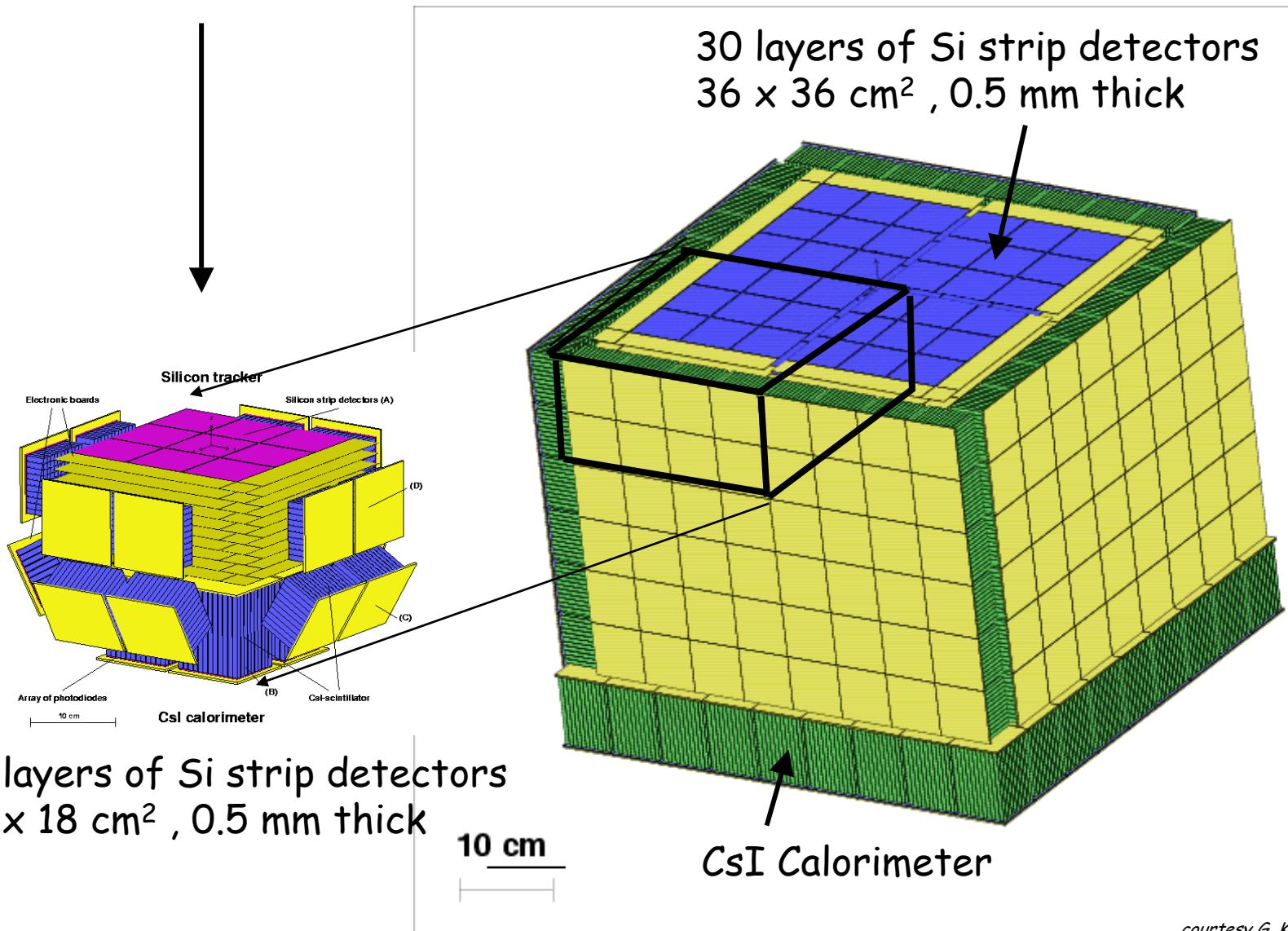
$\eta \sim 0.5$

tracker depth  $\sim 1.7 \text{ cm}$  of Si  
i.e. 34 layers of  $500 \mu\text{m}$ ;  $\sim 5 \text{ m}^2$  Si

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## Prototype and Full-size Instrument



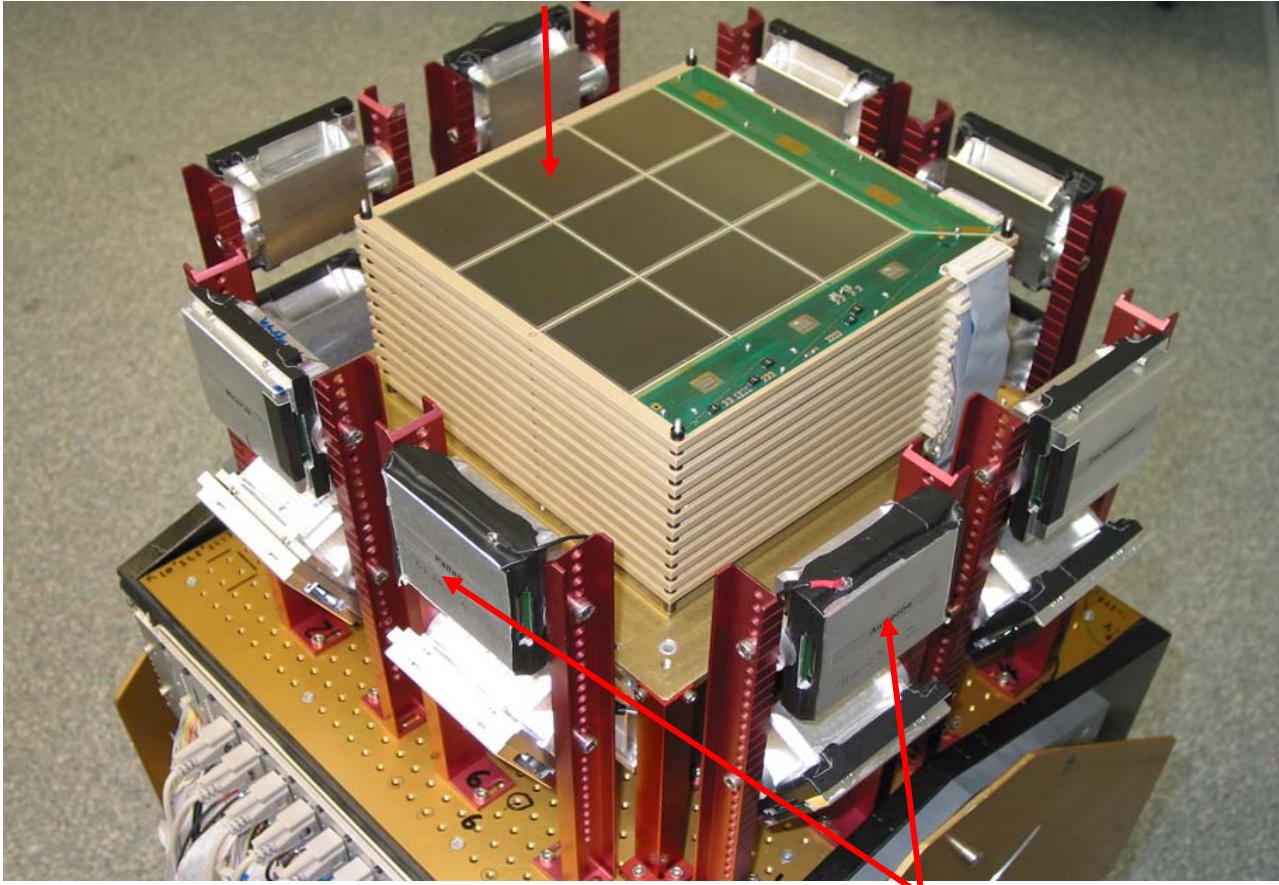
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## Prototype

Tracker:

10 (+1) layers of Silicon stripdetectors (wafers 6x6cm<sup>2</sup>)



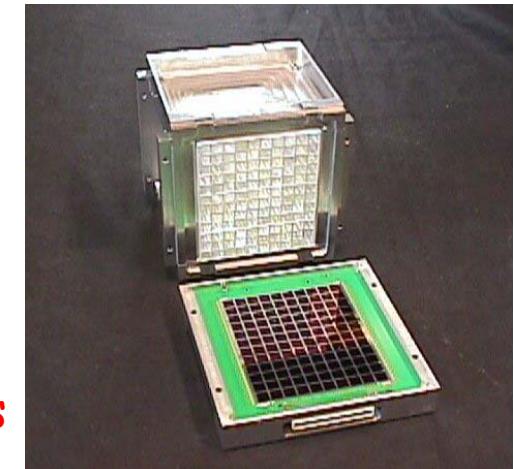
Calorimeter: 20 modules of pixellated CsI(Tl) Scintillators  
Fill factor lower hemisphere ~ 40%

A<sub>eff</sub> estimate:

$$A_{\text{eff}} = (1 - e^{-\mu d}) A_{\text{geom}} \eta \\ = 16 \text{ cm}^2 \eta$$

$$\text{with } \eta = 0.4 \times 0.3$$

$$A_{\text{eff}} \sim 2 \text{ cm}^2$$



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# LXe for Gamma-Ray Detection

- High detection efficiency

$$\rho = 3.06 \text{ g/cm}^3, Z = 54$$

- Short radiation length

$$L_{rad} = 2.6 \text{ cm}$$

- High ionization yield for good  $\Delta E/E$

$$W = 15.6 \text{ eV / pair}, F = 0.04$$

- Sub millimeter spatial resolution

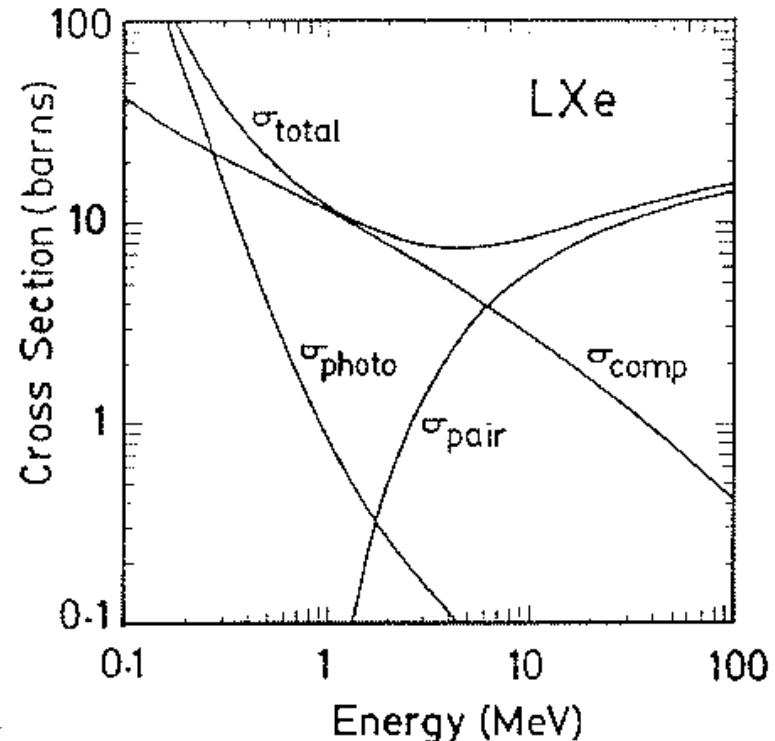
$$D < 80 \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}, \text{ high } \mu, \text{ saturated } v_d$$

- Excellent scintillator with fast decay time

$$N_{ph} = 4 \times 10^4 / \text{MeV}$$

- Three-dimensional localization in homogeneous volume

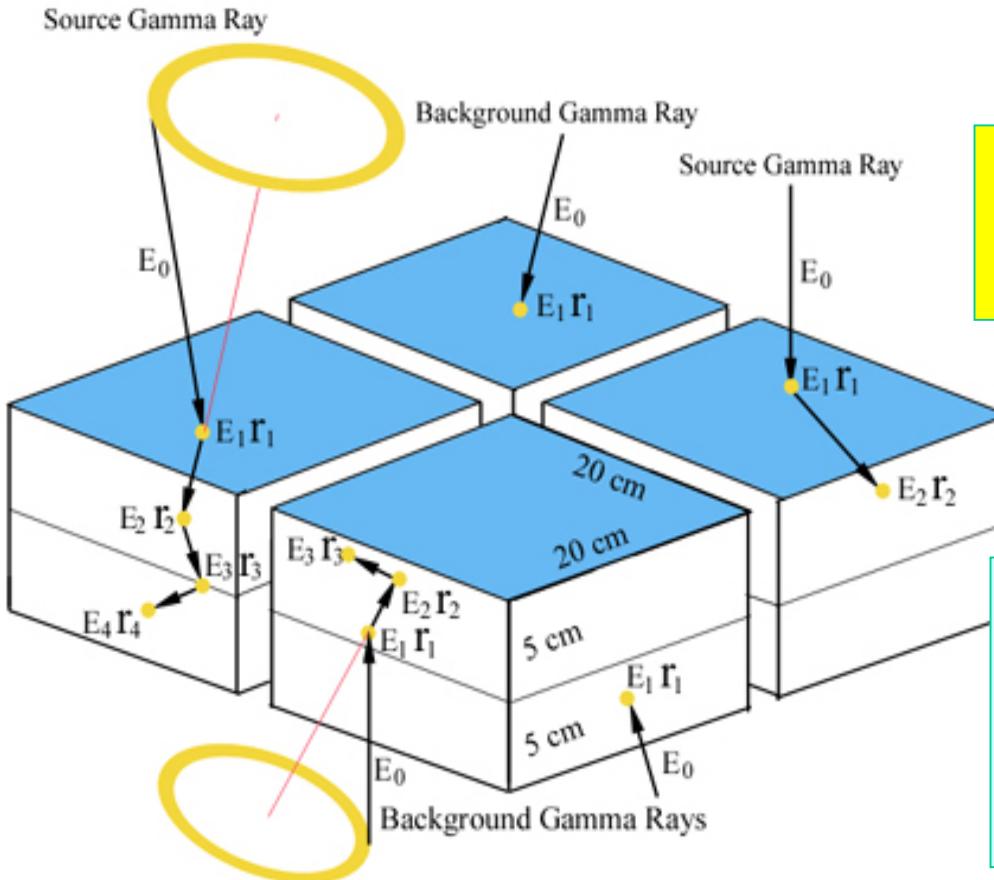
With TPC mode of operation



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# A Time Projection Chamber as Compton Telescope



Detection efficiency is dramatically increased by using one homogeneous material as both D1 and D2

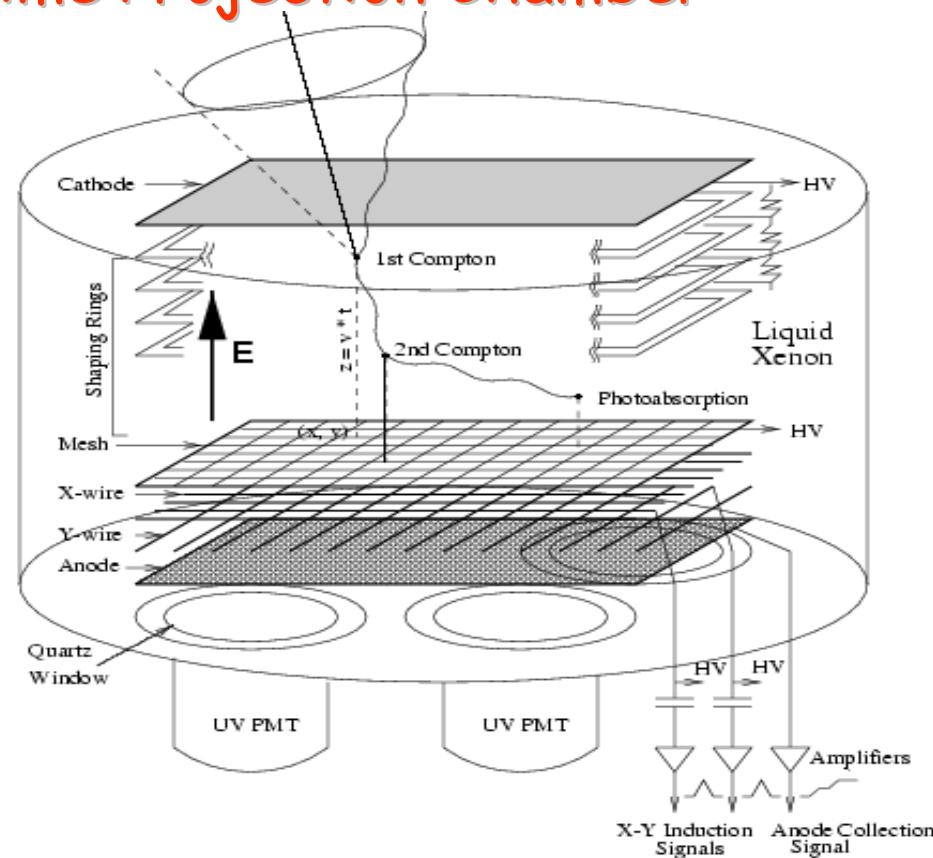
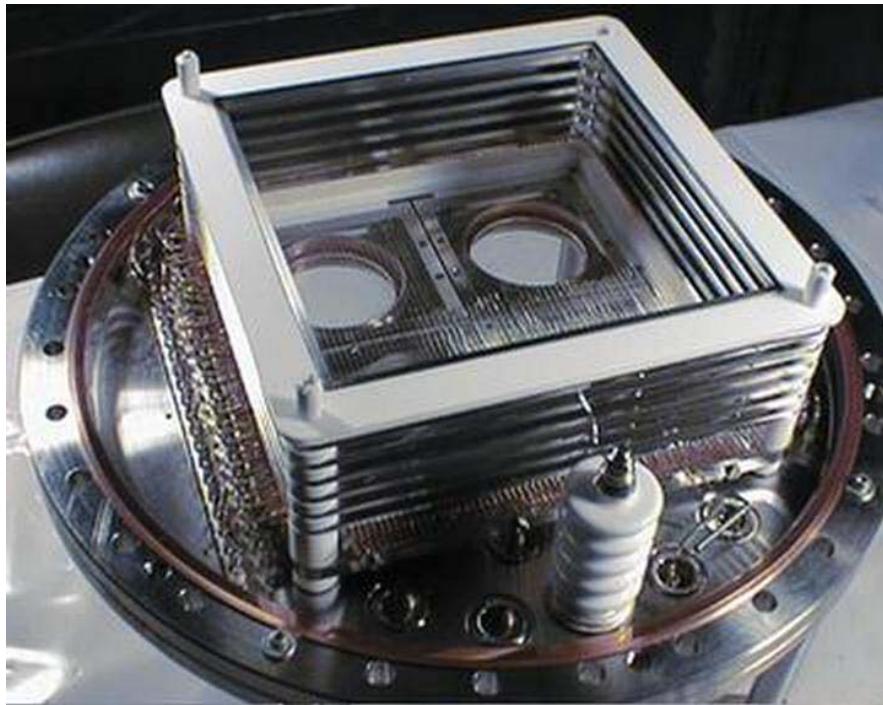
With <1 mm position resolution in 3-D and good energy resolution, the complete event interaction history is recorded thus dramatically enhancing background reduction through event reconstruction

High probability to fully contain the scattered photon energy when using a good stopping material such as Liquid Xenon

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# The LXeGRIT Time Projection Chamber



**Ionization & Scintillation**

**20 cm x 20 cm Active Area**

**Drift Gap = 7cm**

**Drift velocity ~ 2mm/μs @ 1 kV/cm**

**62 X + 62 Y sensing wires (3mm pitch)**

**4 Independent Anodes for total energy**

**4 UV PMTs for light detection**

$(x_1, y_1, x_2, y_2) \rightarrow$  scatter direction  $(\chi, \psi)$

$E_i \rightarrow$  total energy and scatter angle  $\phi$

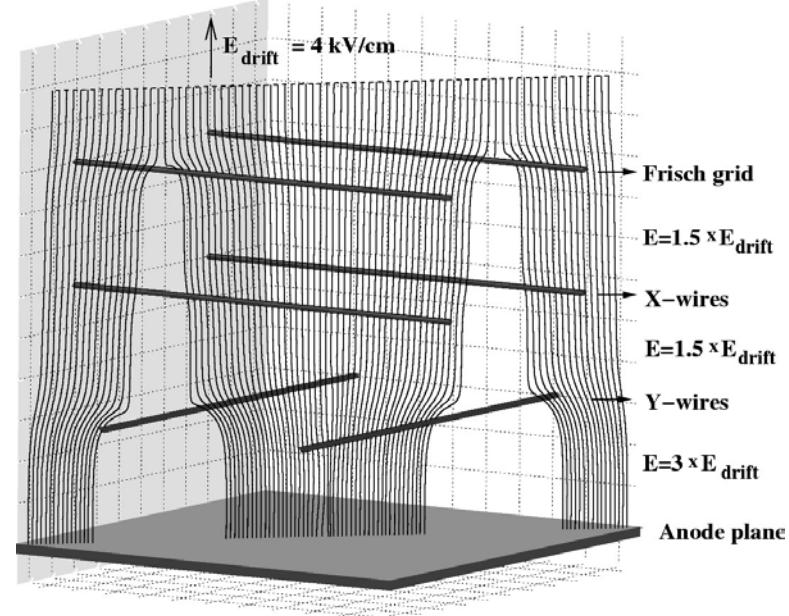
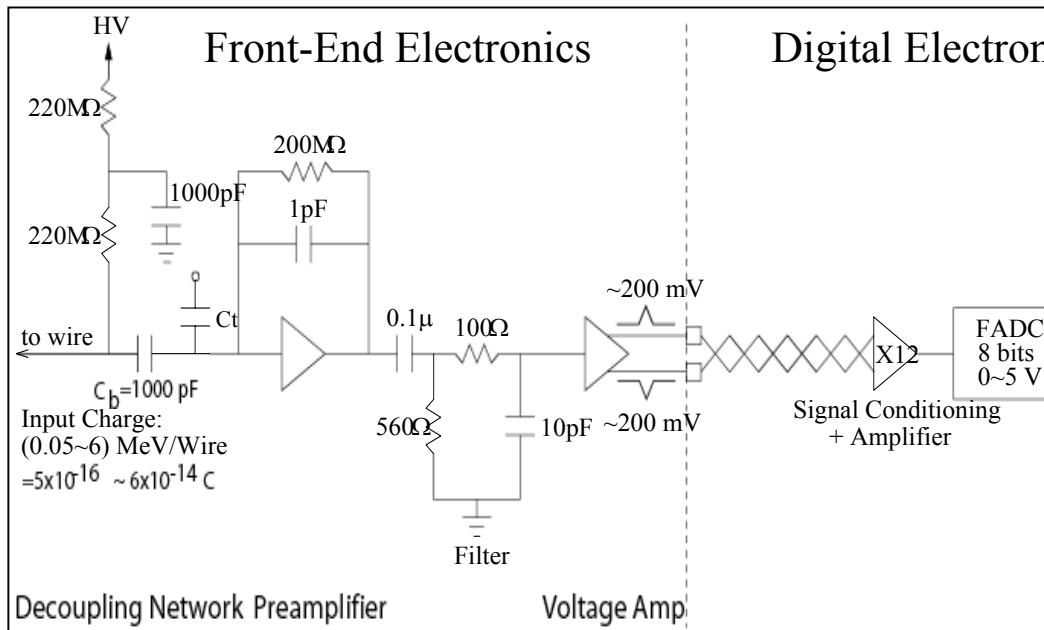
$$\cos \phi = 1 - m_e c^2 \left( \frac{1}{E_2} - \frac{1}{E_1} \right)$$

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# The LXeTPC Charge Readout

**non-destructive readout of point-like ionization clouds → focusing field**  
**ionization signal on anode ~4000 e/ 100 keV @ 1kV/cm → high purity liquid**  
**fraction induced on X-Y Wires ~ 40% → Low Noise Amplifier → 350e RMS**  
**HV on wires for field focusing → Decoupling Network**  
**preserve max signal information → 5 MHz FADC (8/10 bit)**



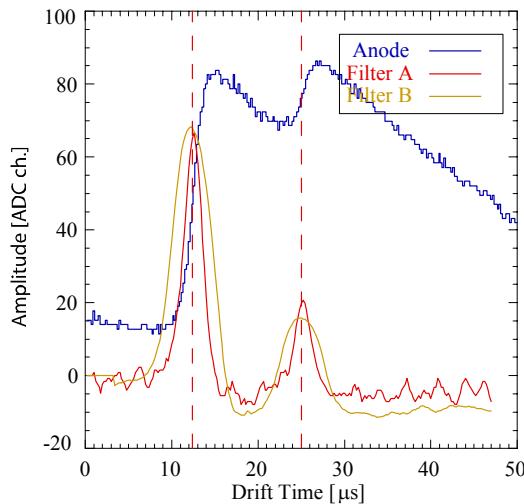
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# LXe Compton Telescope Signal Recognition and Event Reconstruction

## Analysis Steps

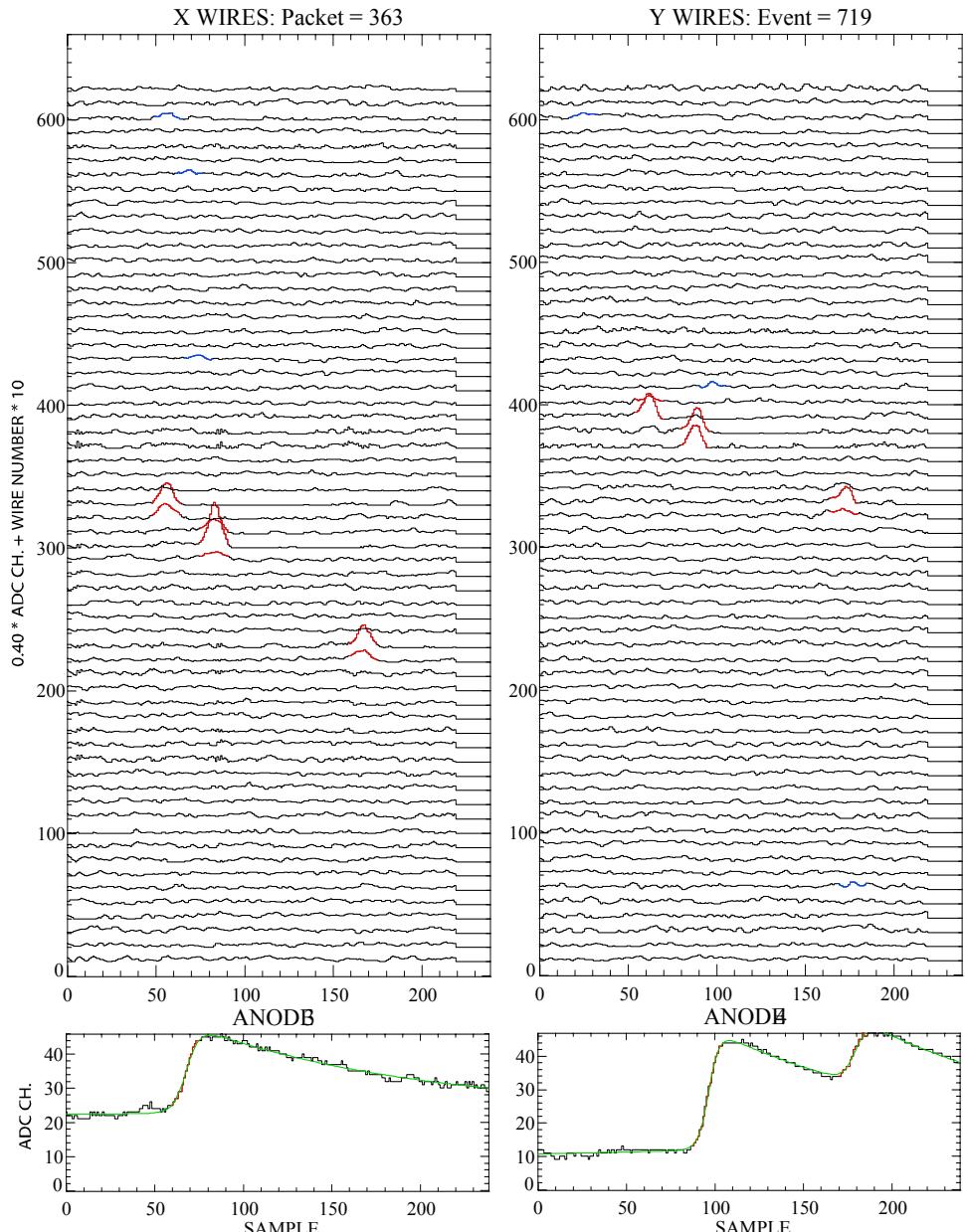
- Find wire signals on each view, collect shared charges.
- Match X- and Y-wire signals.
- Find anode signals, using a digital filter.



- Fit anode signals. Fit function for an N-interaction event:

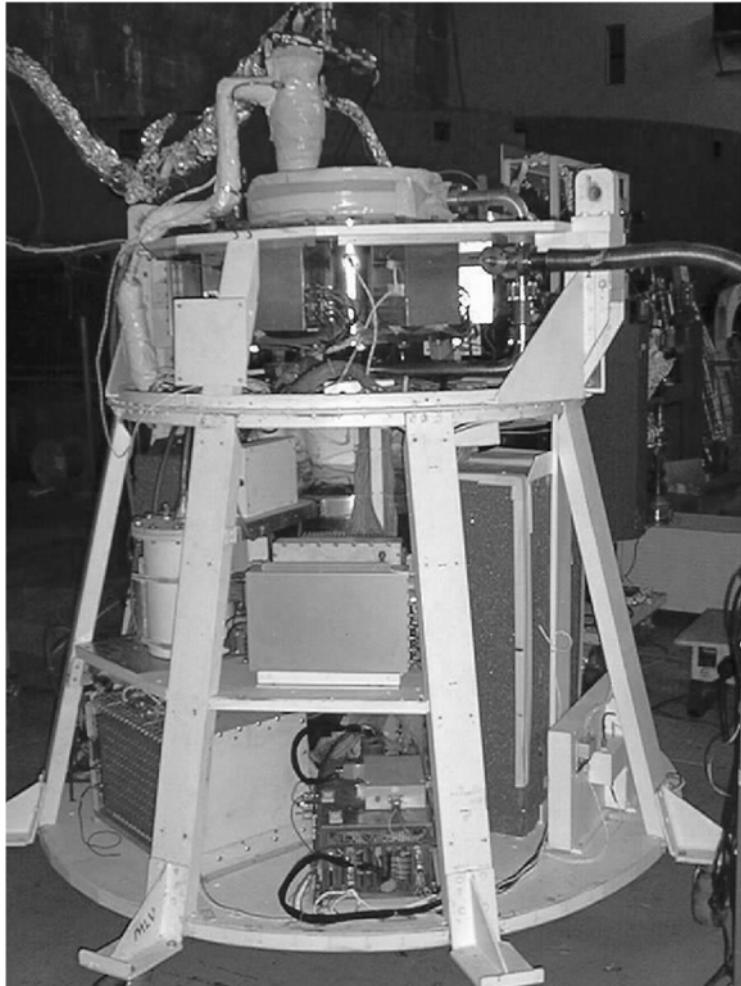
$$f_N(t) = \sum_{i=1}^N A_i \frac{\exp\left\{\frac{t-t_i}{\tau_{decay}}\right\}}{1 + \exp\left\{\frac{t_i-t}{\tau_{rise}}\right\}} + B$$

- Match anode and wire signals.



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# LXeGRIT Characteristics: 2000 Balloon Campaign



Energy Range	0.15-10 MeV
Energy Resolution ( <i>FWHM</i> )	$8\% \times (1 \text{ MeV}/E)^{1/2}$
Position Resolution ( $1\sigma$ )	1 mm (3 dimensions)
Angular Resolution ( $1\sigma$ )	3° at 1.8 MeV
Field of View	1 sr
Detector Active Volume	20 cm × 20 cm × 7 cm
LN <sub>2</sub> Dewar	100-liter
Instrument Mass, Power	2000 lbs, 450 W
Telemetry	2 × 500 kbps
Onboard Data Storage	2 × 36 GB



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# Improvements in Next Generation Compton Telescopes

## Increased Efficiency

- More Compact Design
- Monolithic, Position-sensitive detectors

## Energy Resolution

- Solid State Detectors
- Gas Detectors

## Angular Resolution

- Position-sensitive detectors
- Energy resolution
- Electron tracking

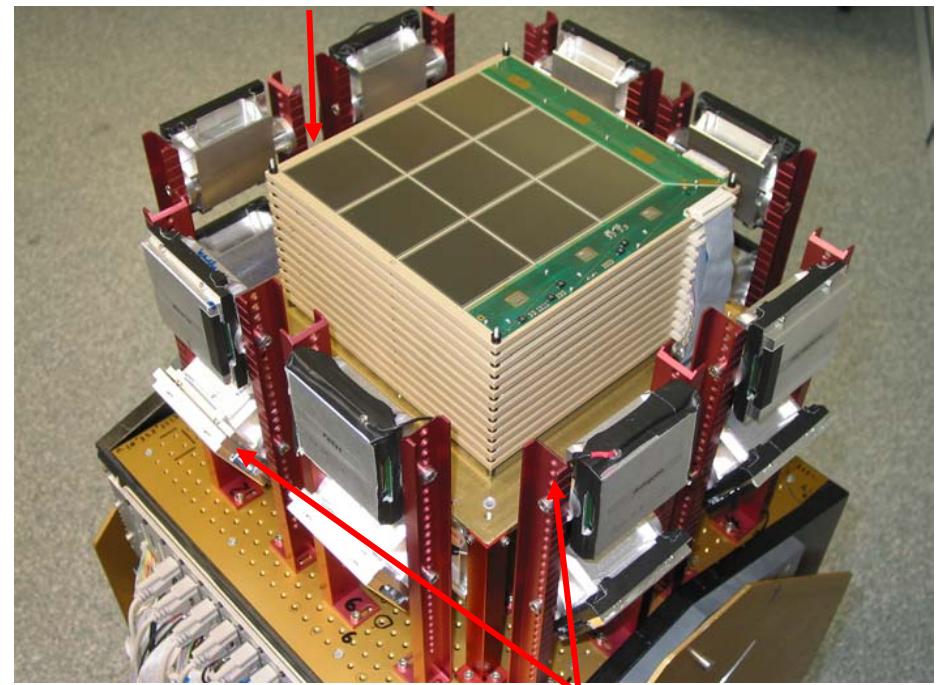
## Background Reduction

- Electron tracking
- Event reconstruction
- Choice of orbit

Note: No time of flight with most systems under consideration

### Tracker:

10 layers of Silicon stripdetectors

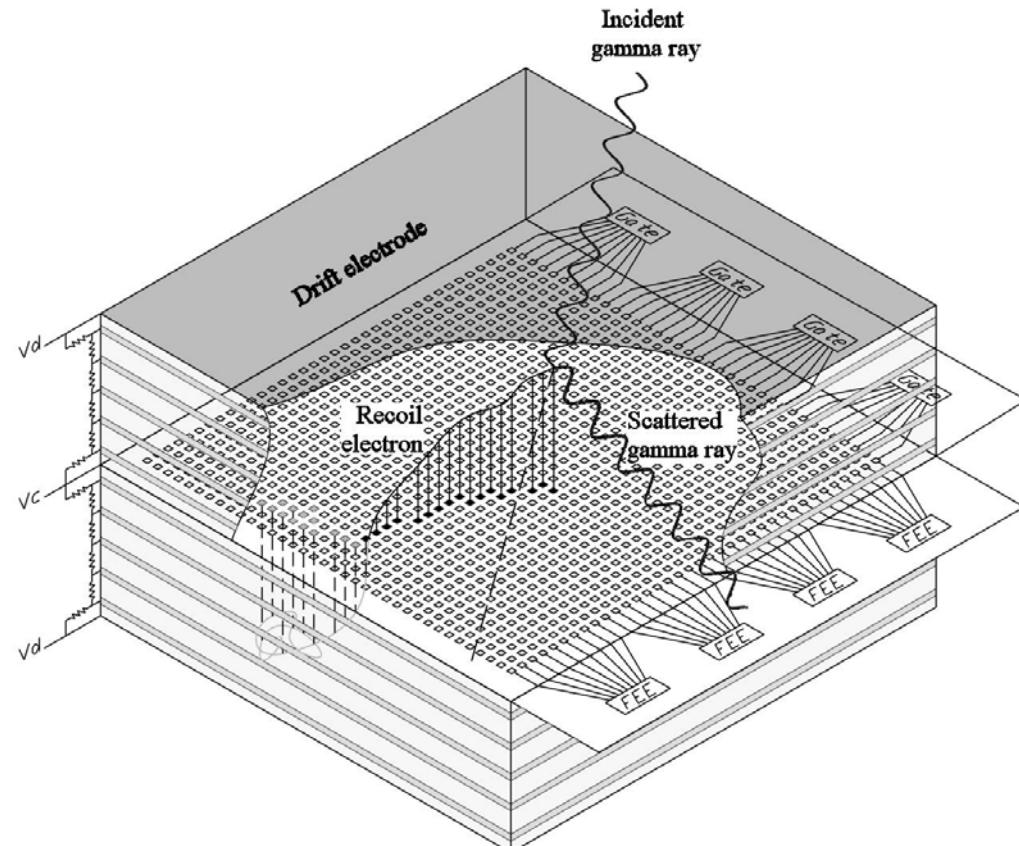


Calorimeter: modules of CsI(Tl) Scintillators

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# Xe-Advanced Compton Telescope Concept

- Make ACT tracker from large gas volume read out by **pixelized gas micro-well detectors (MWDs)** read out by **thin film transistor (TFT)** arrays
- Advantage of this approach is **excellent electron tracking**: RMS error of  $7^\circ$  for 1 MeV electron for Xe at 3 atm
- Electron tracking dramatically lowers PSF area for higher sensitivity, better imaging, and higher polarization sensitivity
- ACT concept: large Xe gas tracker surrounded by CsI calorimeter



Xe 3-dimensional track imager as module of Compton telescope tracker

courtesy J. Kurfess

# Solid-State Detector Advanced Compton Telescope Concept

1 m<sup>2</sup> frontal area

43 g/cm<sup>2</sup> thick

6-mm thick Si(Li)  $\langle\rho\rangle=0.8$

-or-

1 cm thick Ge  $\langle\rho\rangle=2.7$

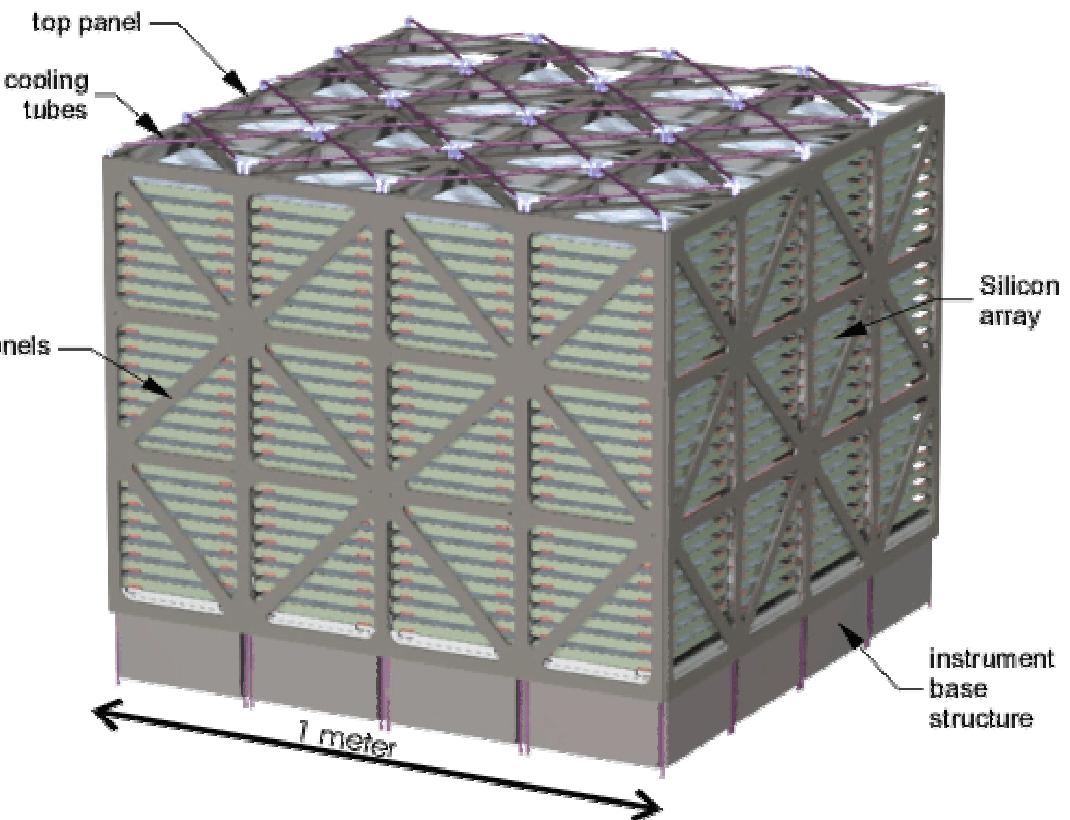
430 kg active volume

Fluid loop cooling

CMOS electronics

Passive mass <10%

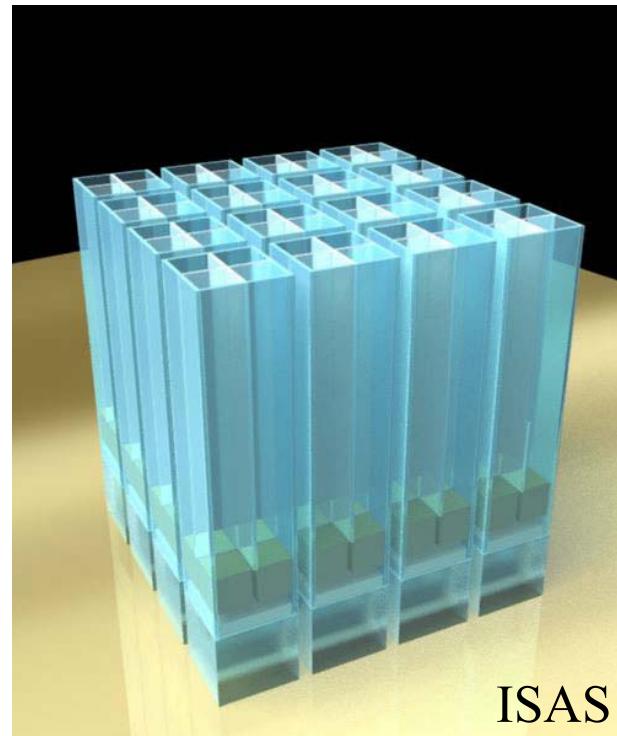
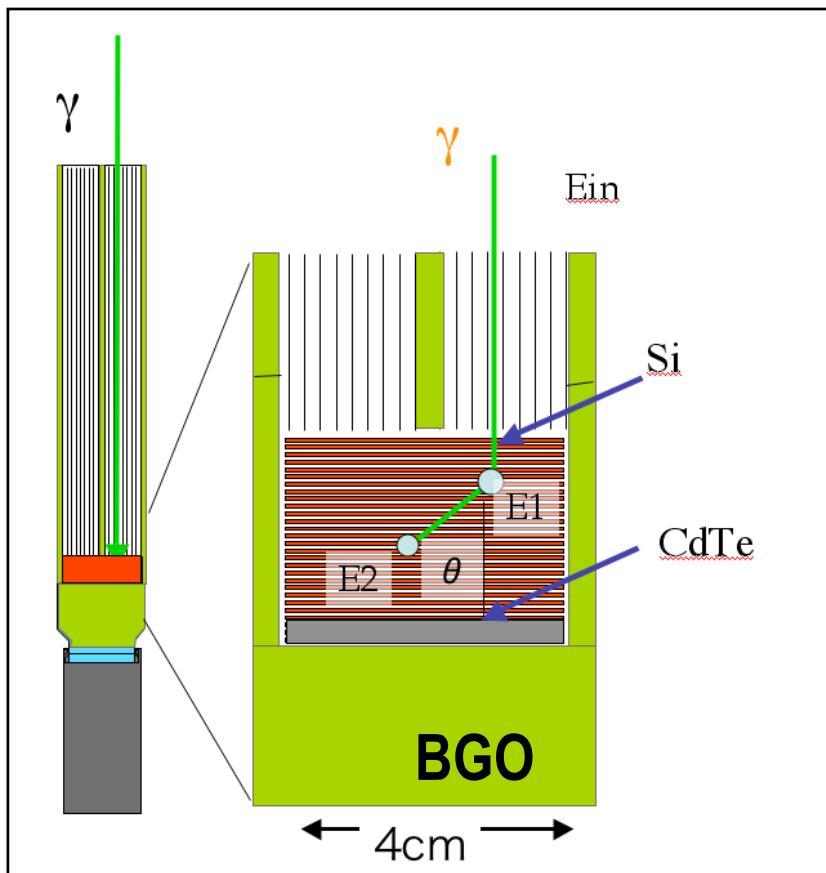
Broad FoV ( $\pm 60\text{-}75$  deg)



courtesy J. Kurfess

# Narrow FOV Compton Telescope for the NeXT mission in Japan

- Incident angle of  $\gamma$ -rays are defined by a well-type active collimator (Extremely Low Background)



## –Stack Configuration

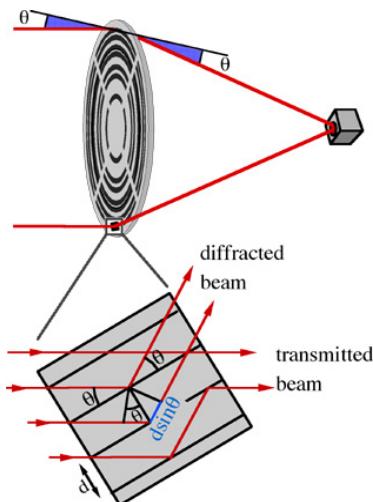
- Low Energy 24 layers of Strip Strip detectors (res. 400 $\mu$ m) and 6 mm thick CdTe Pixel (res. 1mm)
- High Energy Resolution of <1 - 3 keV

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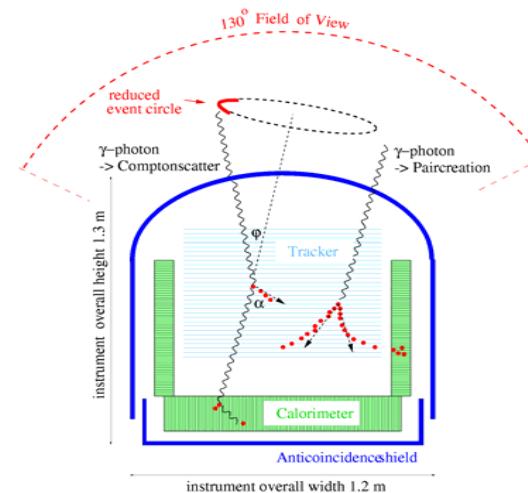
# Mission Options



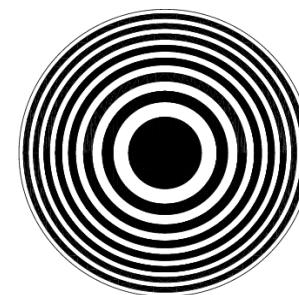
Large Area Coded Aperture--EXIST



Laue gamma ray collector (Claire)



Compton Telescopes



(a)



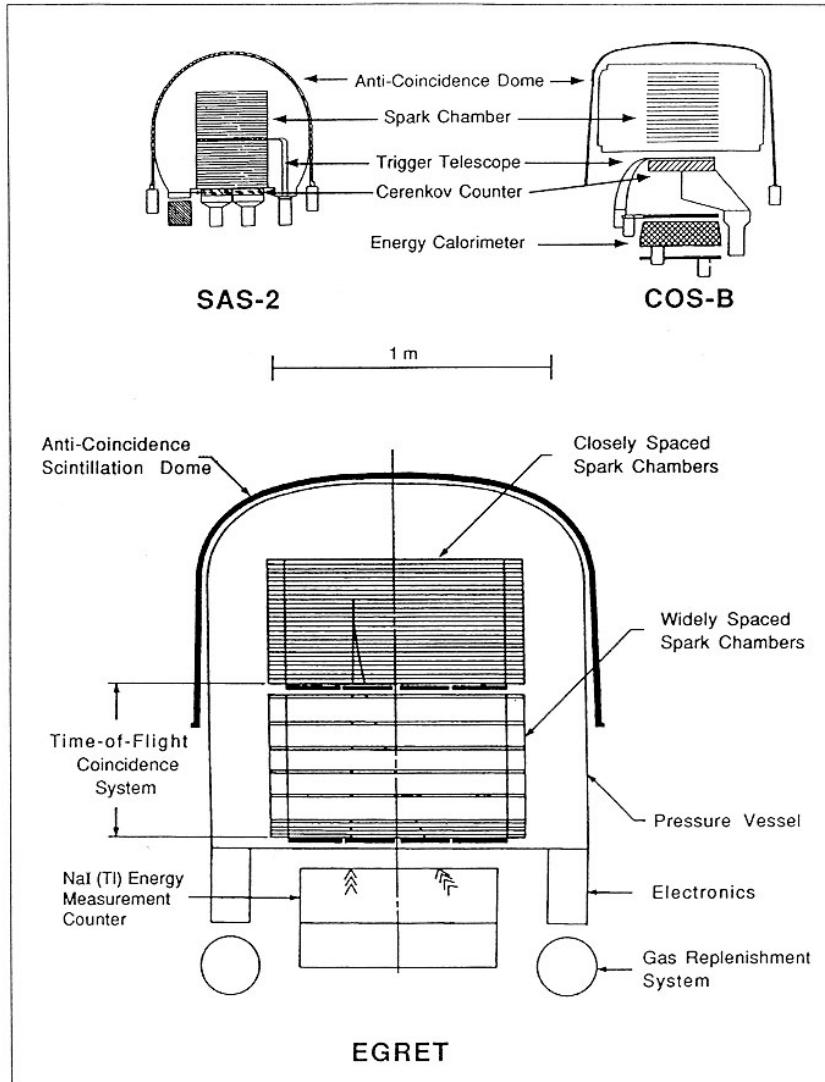
(b)



(c)

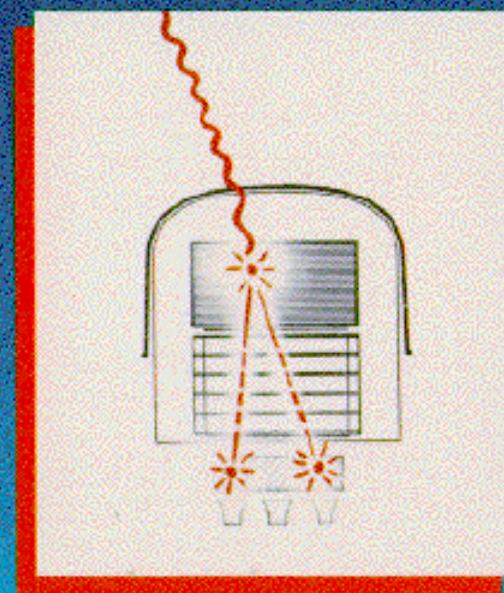
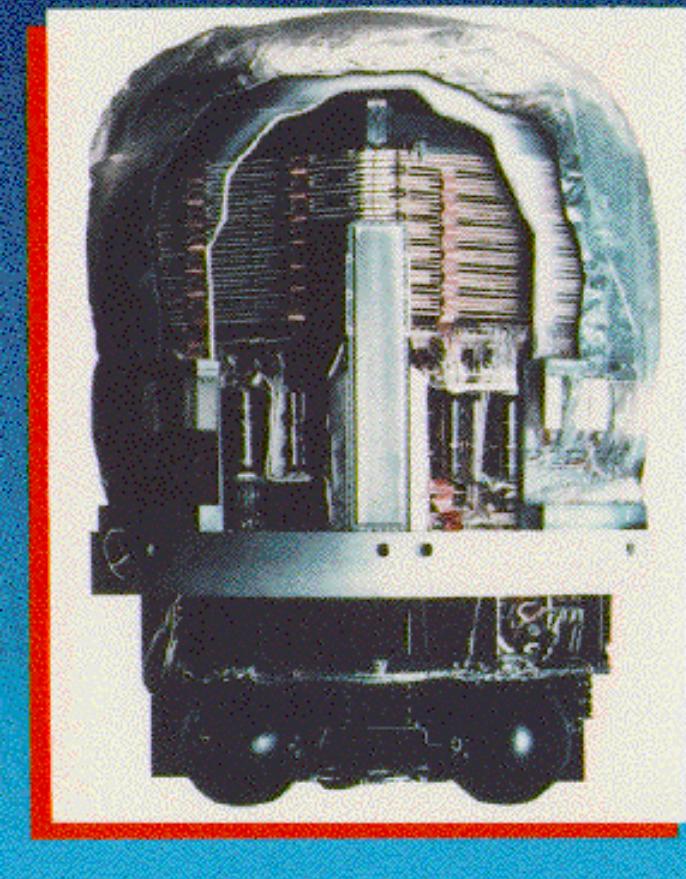
Gamma Ray Lens

# Spark Chambers

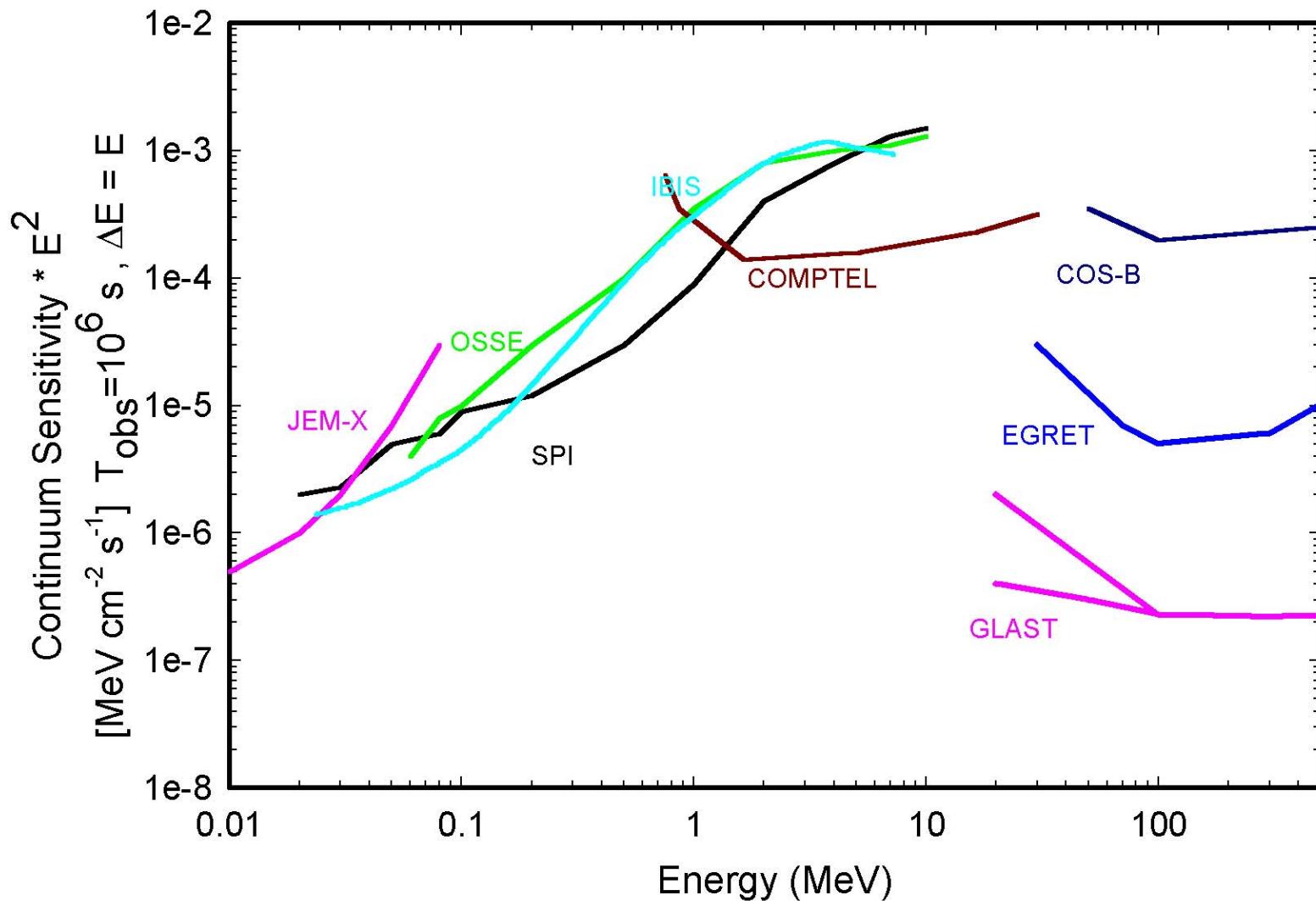


# EGRET

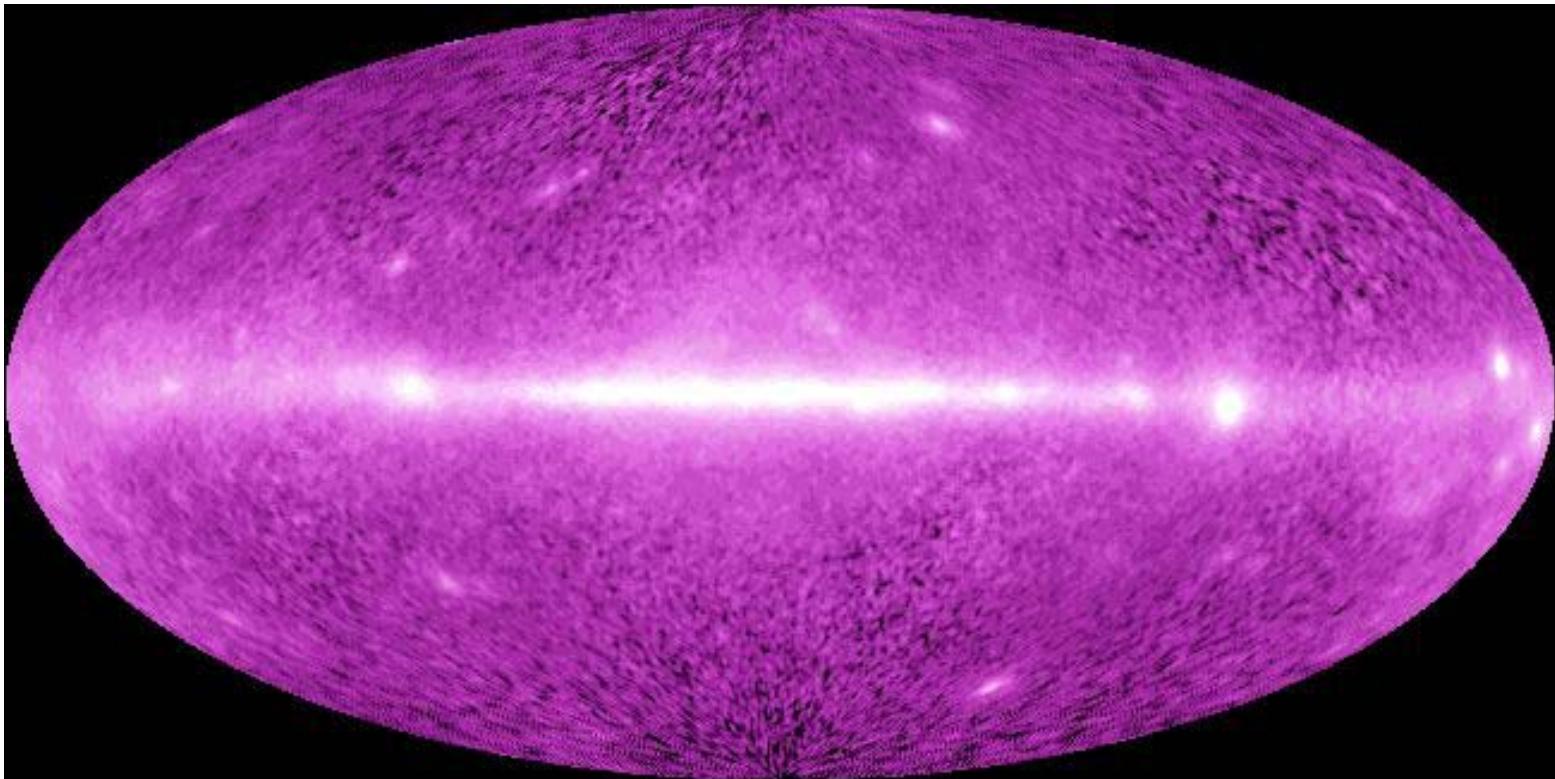
Energetic Gamma Ray Experiment  
Telescope (EGRET)



# Instrumental Sensitivities

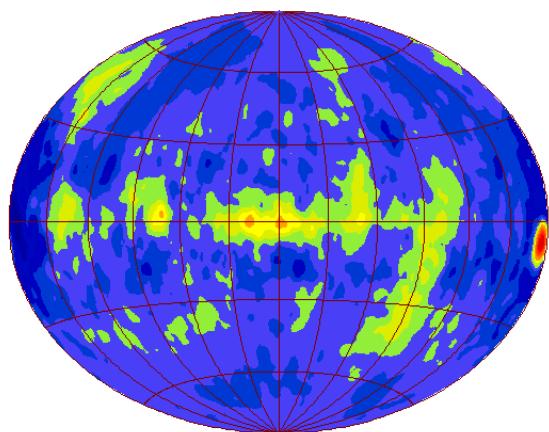


We would like something like this at 1 MeV

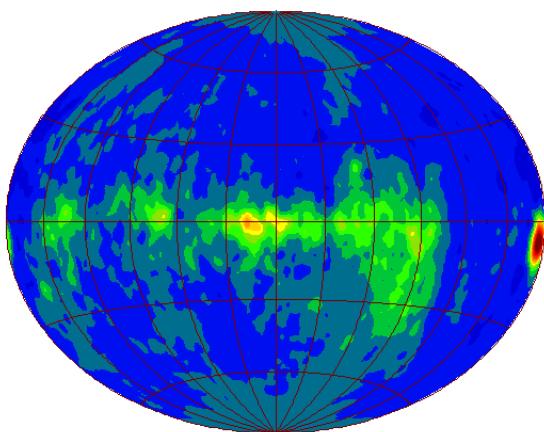


But now, we'd like lots of other things  
too, now that we know what is out there.

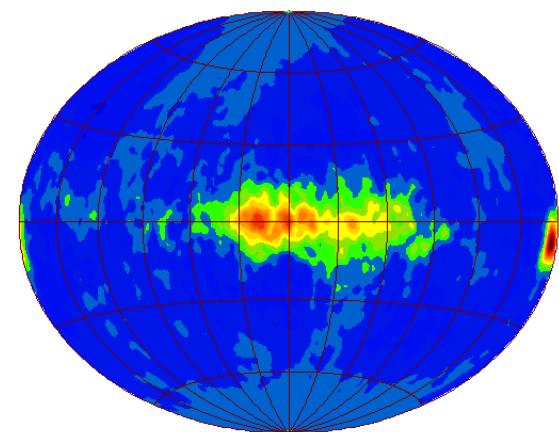
# COMPTEL Sky maps



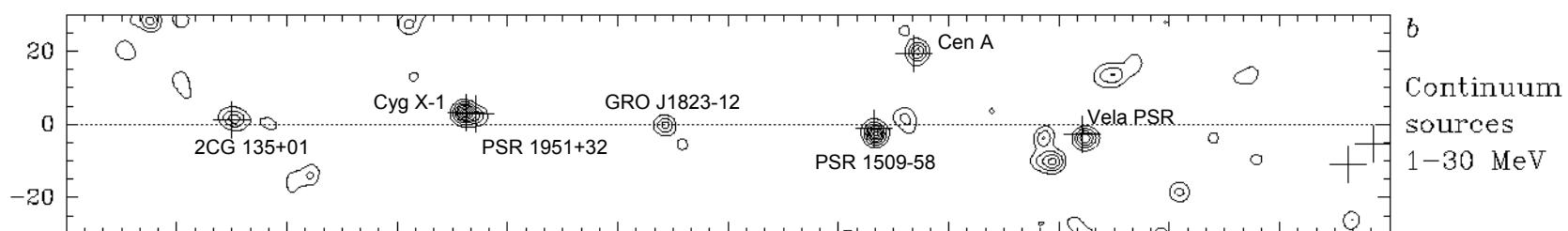
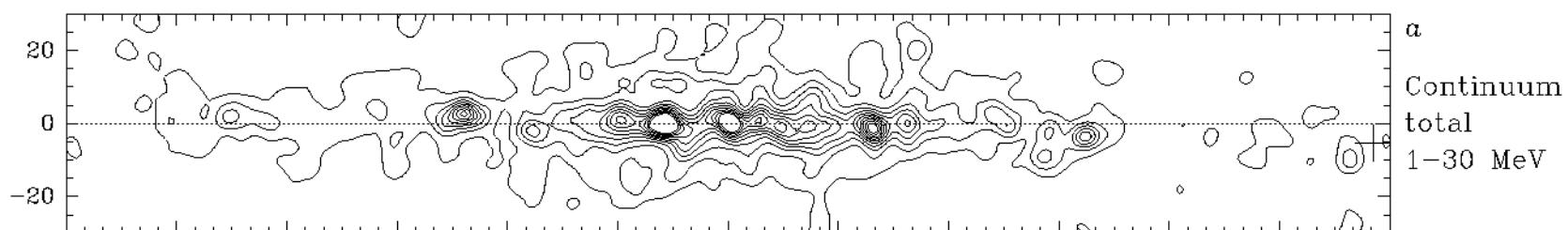
1–3 MeV



3–10 MeV



10–30 MeV



# SN1987A: First Supernova Gamma-Rays

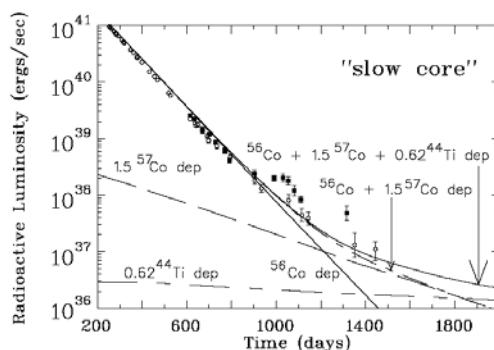
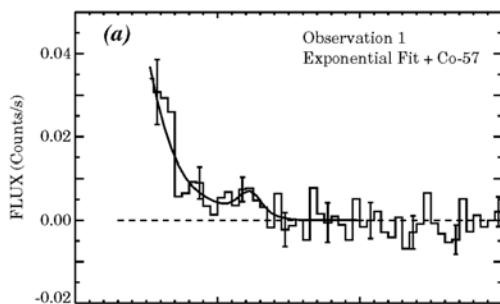
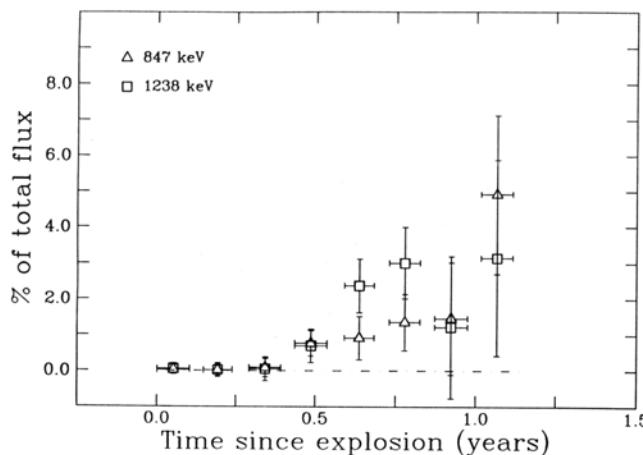
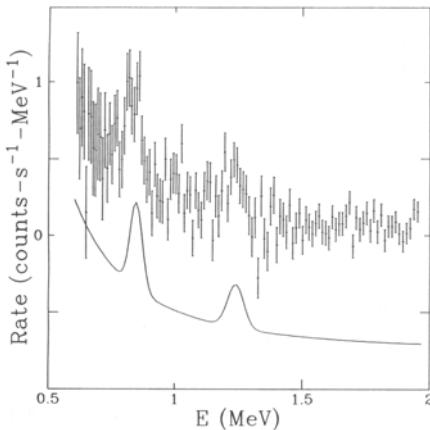
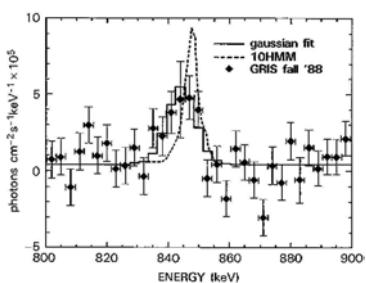
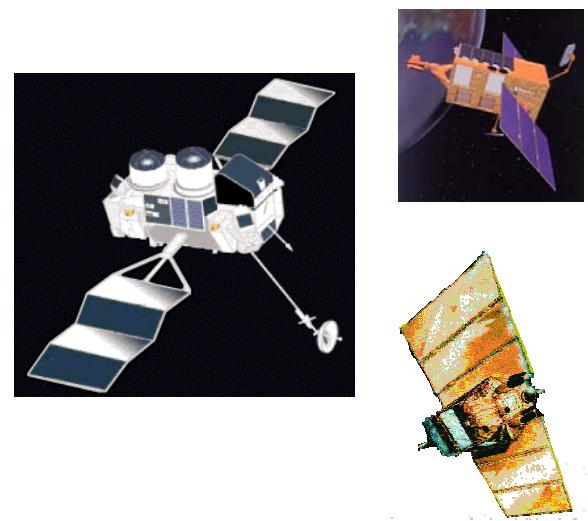
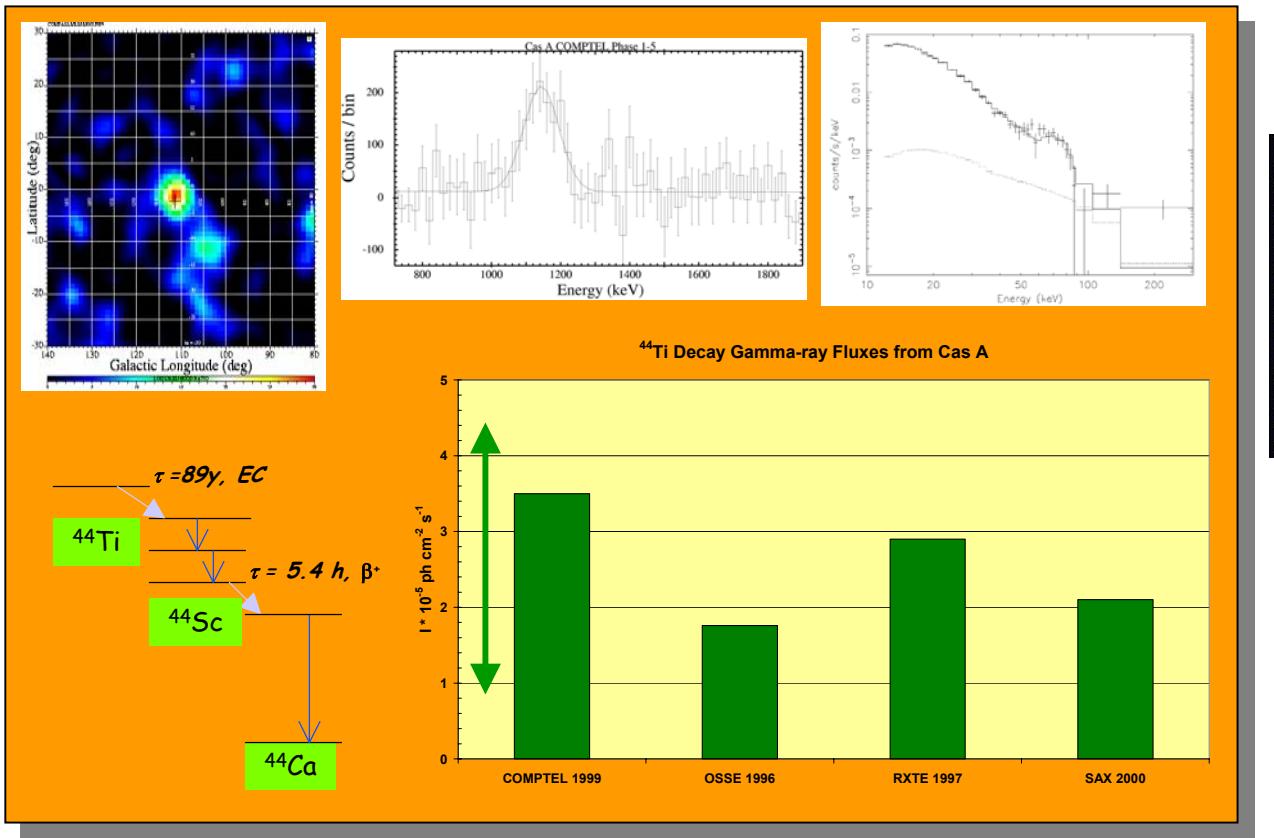


Figure 1.



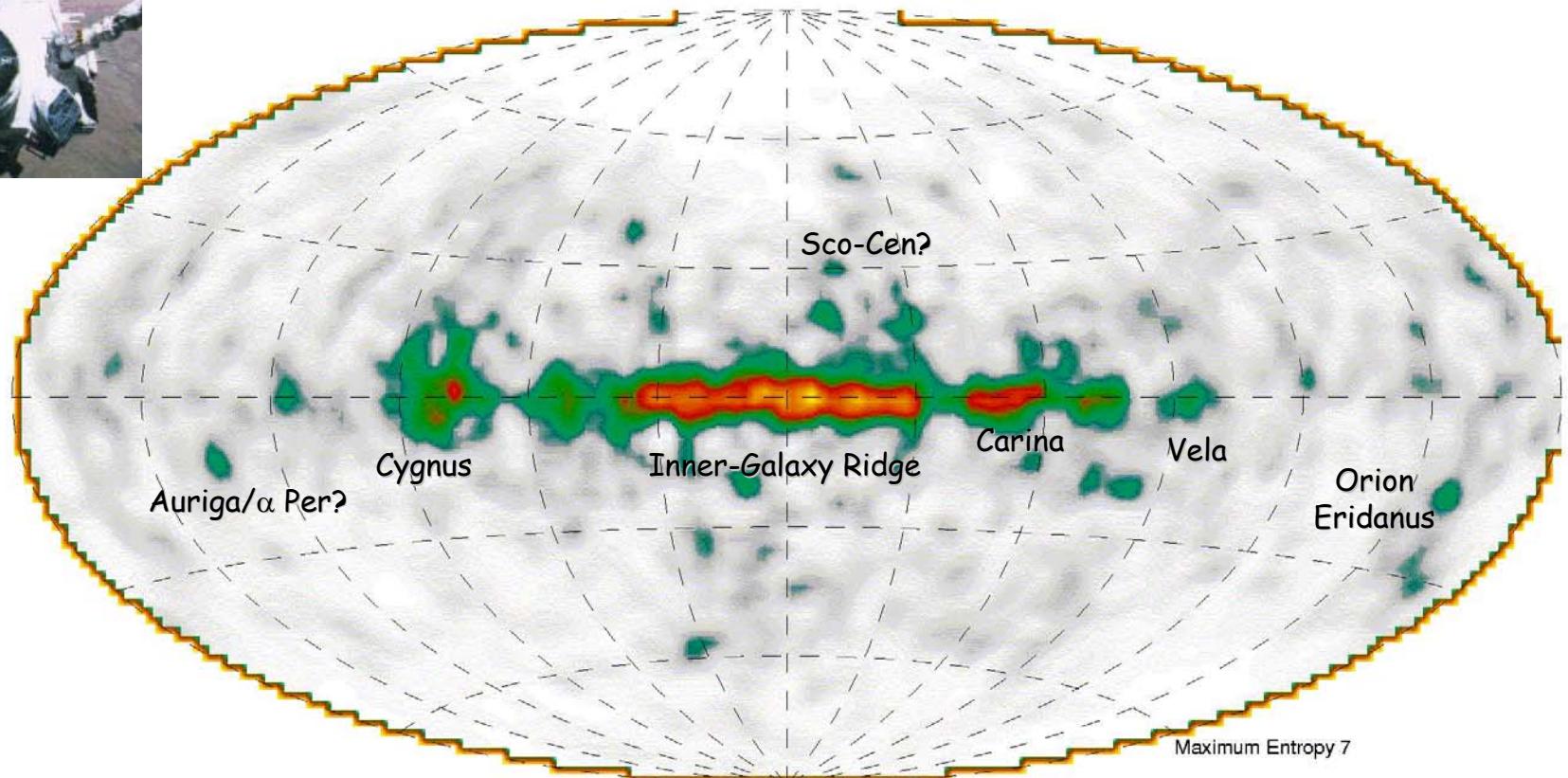
- **SN1987A  $^{56}\text{Co}$  Decay Gamma-Rays Detected Earlier Than Expected; First Proof of Supernova  $^{56}\text{Ni}$  Synthesis**  
(SMM; Matz et al. 1988)
- **SN1987A  $^{57}\text{Co}$  Decay Gamma-Ray Detection Used to Infer Co Isotopic Ratio ( $\sim 1.5 \times$  solar)**  
(OSSE; Kurfess et al. 1992; Clayton et al. 1992)
- **SN1987A  $^{56}\text{Co}$  Line at 847 keV Used for Line Shape Analysis**  
(GRIS; Teegarden et al. 1988)

# Core-Collapse Supernovae: $^{44}\text{Ti}$ from Cas A



- $^{44}\text{Ti}$  Decay:  $\tau \sim 89\text{y}$
- Difficult  $\gamma$ -Ray Region (78, 68, 1157 keV)
- $\rightarrow$  Young SNR
- $^{44}\text{Ti}$  Ejected Mass
- $\rightarrow$  Uncertain  $I_\gamma$
- $\sim 0.8\text{--}2.5 \times 10^{-4} M_\odot$

# The Sky at 1809 keV: $^{26}\text{Al}$



Complete CGRO Mission  
(Plüschke et al. 2001)