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Status and future prospects of the Limadou HEPD on board the CSES satellite

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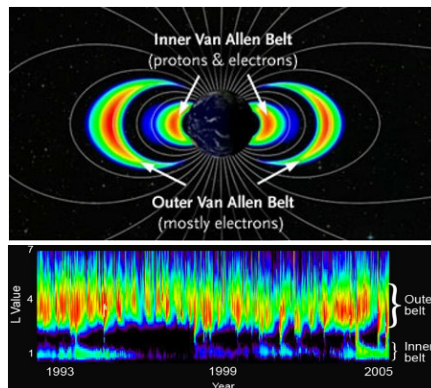
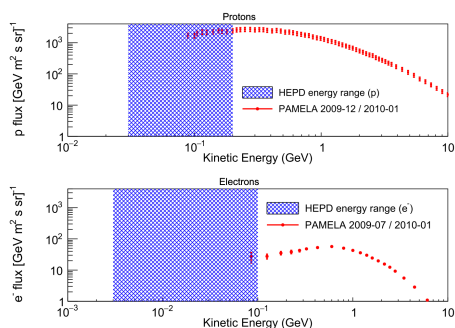
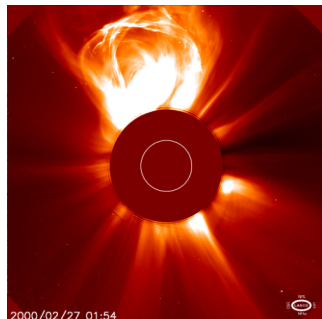


The CSES scientific mission

The **CSES mission** is a scientific collaboration between Italy and China.

Scientific goals:

- **Investigate the ionosphere** and gather world-wide data;
- Measure the particles and plasma **perturbations in the ionosphere and magnetosphere**: natural sources (EQs) and anthropic emitters;
- Study solar-terrestrial interactions and solar physics: CMEs, SEPs, solar flares;
- Study and extend **low energy spectrum of cosmic rays**;



The CSES-01 Satellite

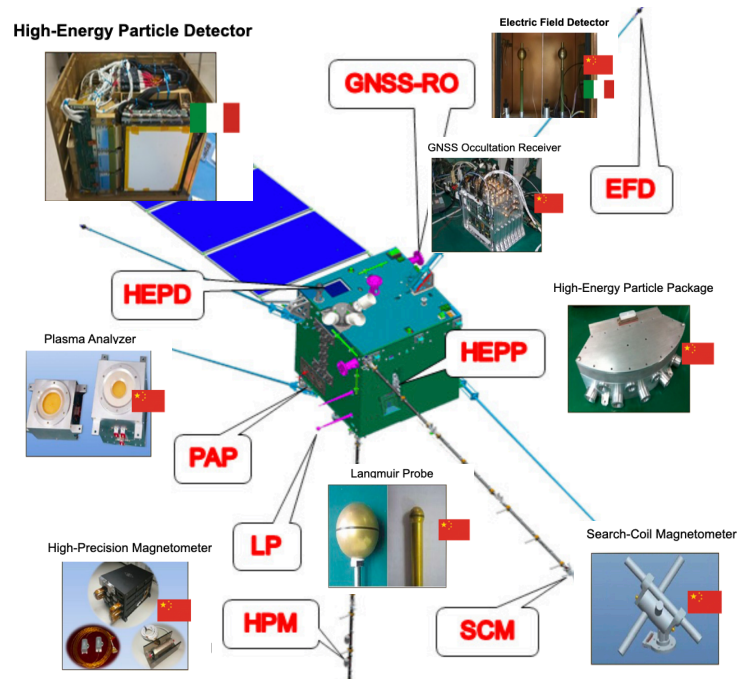
CSES-01 was launched on 02/02/2018

- Sun-Synchronous orbit at 500 km;
- Equipped with 9 instruments, among them the **High-Energy Particle Detector (HEPD-01)**
- Payload operation range $-65^{\circ}/65^{\circ}$ lat



Category	Payload Name	Observation Targets
Electro-Magnetic Field	Electric Field Detector	Electric Field: DC \sim 3.5MHz
	High Precision Magnetometer	Magnetic Field: DC \sim 15Hz
	Search Coil Magnetometer	Magnetic Field: 10Hz \sim 20kHz
Energetic Particle	Italian HEPD(INFN Prod.)	Proton : 2MeV \sim 200MeV
	High Energy Particle Package	Electron : 100keV \sim 100MeV

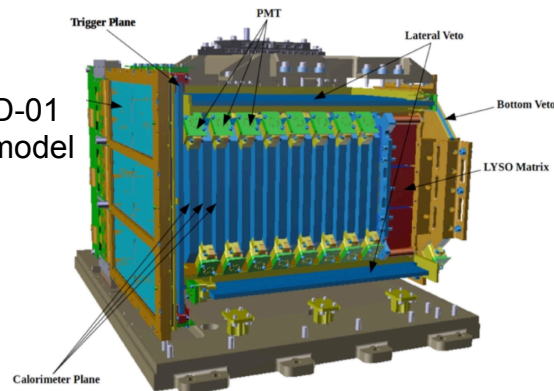
CSES-01: is a sophisticated space observatory.



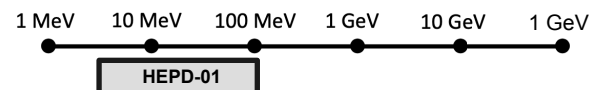
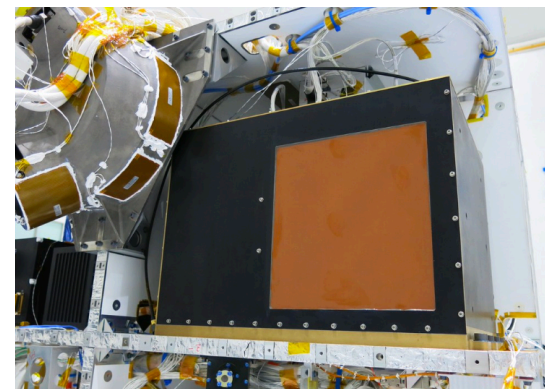
The High Energy Particle Detector HEPD-01

HEPD-01 is designed to measure fluxes of charged particles: electrons (3-100 MeV) and protons (30-200 MeV).

HEPD-01
CAD model



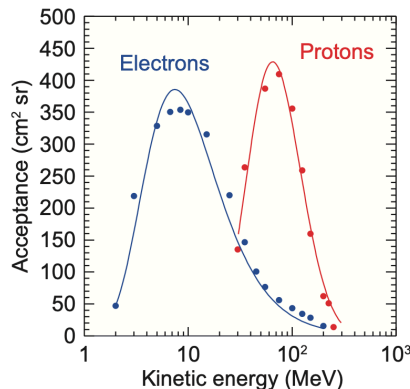
Limadou HEPD-01 integrated on CSES



electrons



Protons



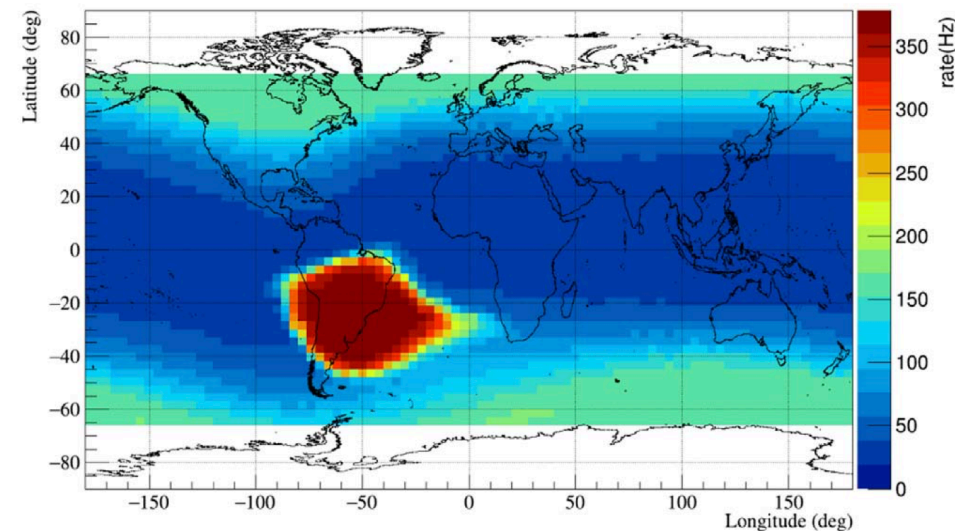
Acceptances for
contained particles
Peak $\sim 400 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ sr}$

[Sci. China Technol. Sci. 61, 643–652 \(2018\)](#)

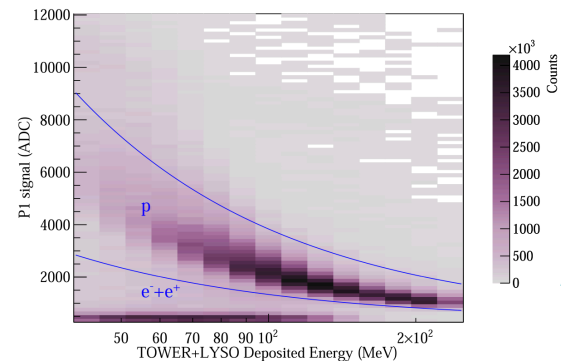
Data acquisition performed in several modes/with different trigger masks:

- T \rightarrow rate studies @ low energies
- T & (P1&P2) \rightarrow standard DAQ mask

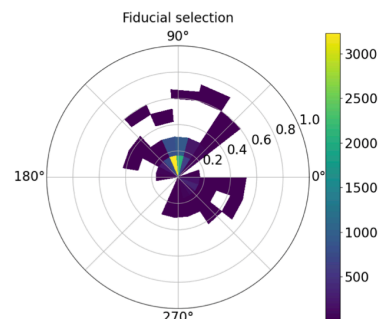
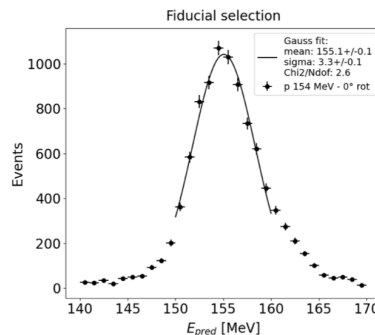
Event reconstruction strategy



Event acquired also in SAA (saturation effects)

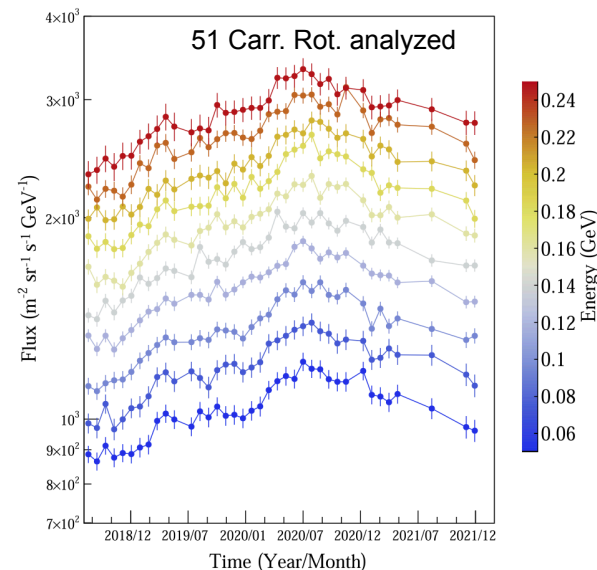
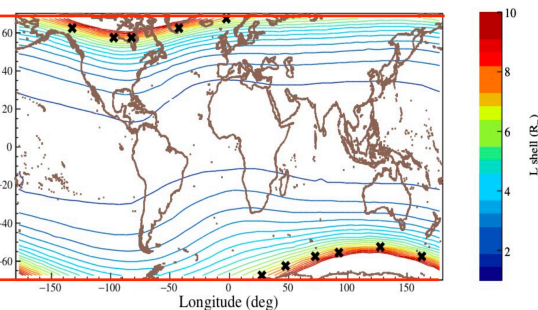
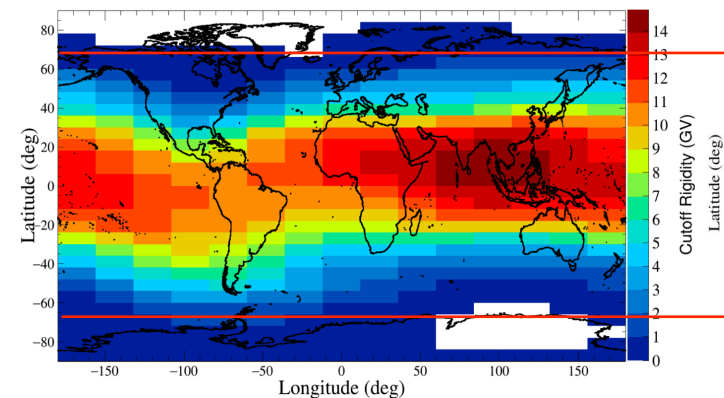


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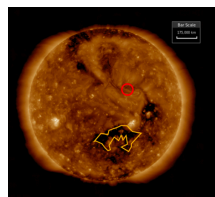
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HEPD-01 demonstrated excellent capabilities to measure protons and the possibility to study the solar modulation.



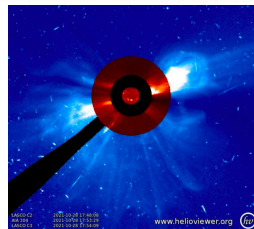
- To separate primary cosmic ray protons from albedo protons, a rigidity cut-off/
L-shell map ($L\text{-shell} > 7$) was used;
- Residual contamination, due to high-energy electrons is below 10%.

[ApJL 945 L39 \(2023\)](#)



Geomagnetic storm of 26/08/2018

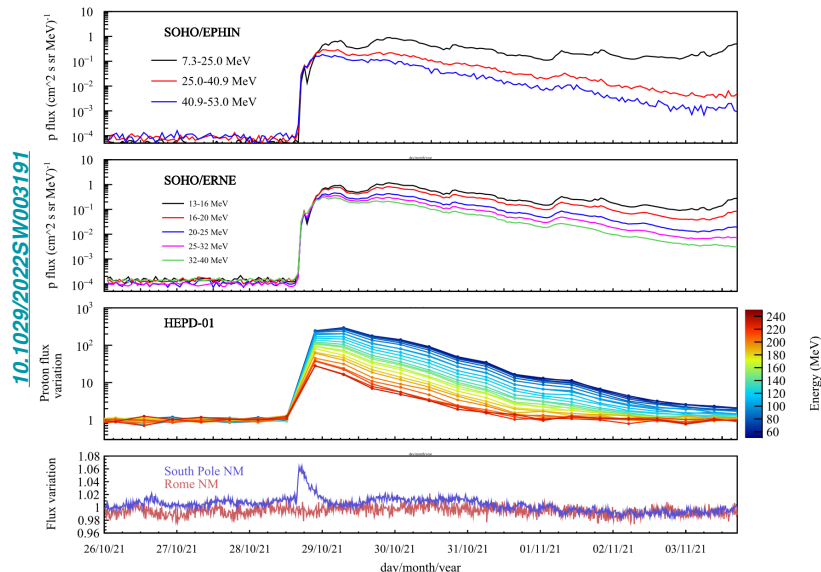
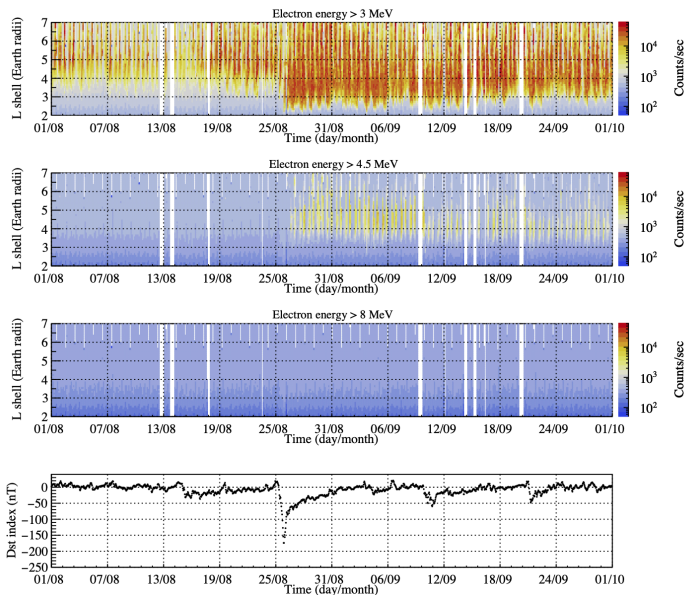
- A clear enhancement of HEPD-01 count rate for electrons @ $L > 3$
- Other geomagnetic storms under study



SEP/Ground-Level Enhancement (2021)

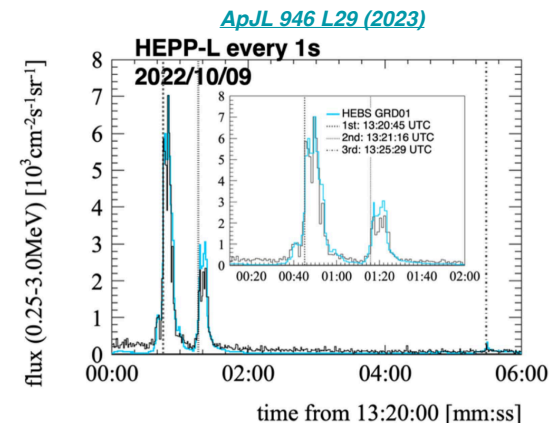
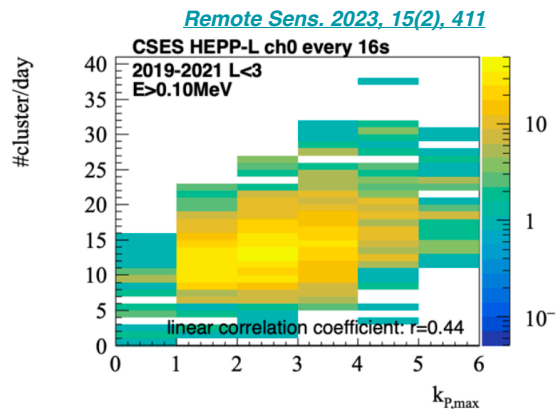
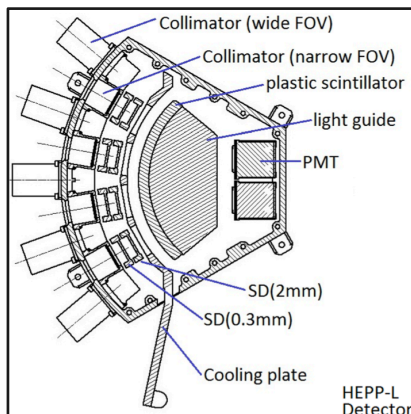
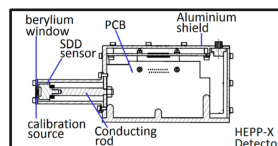
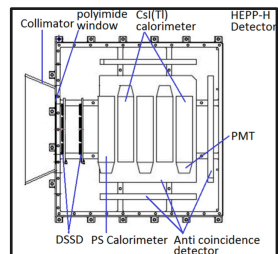
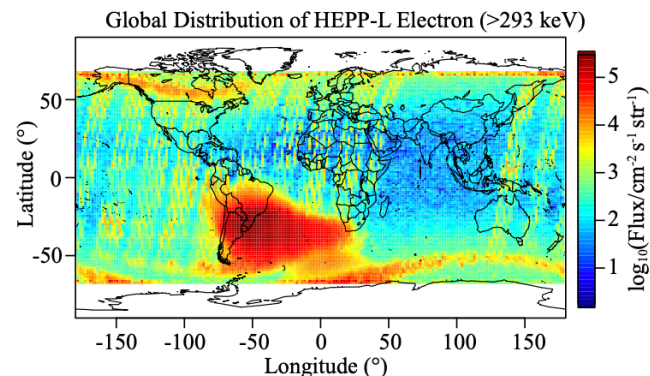
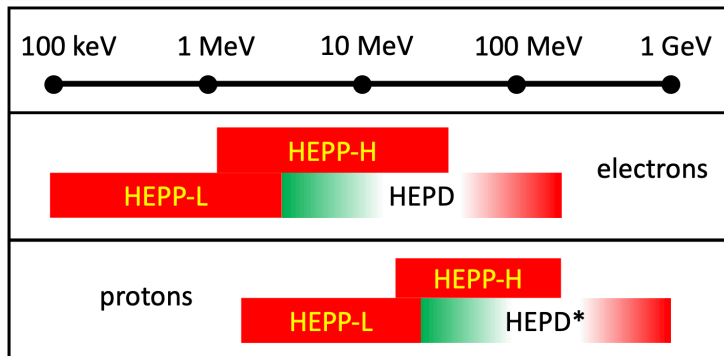
- 200x flux variation for ~50 MeV proton flux
- Rapid increase for energies up to 250 MeV

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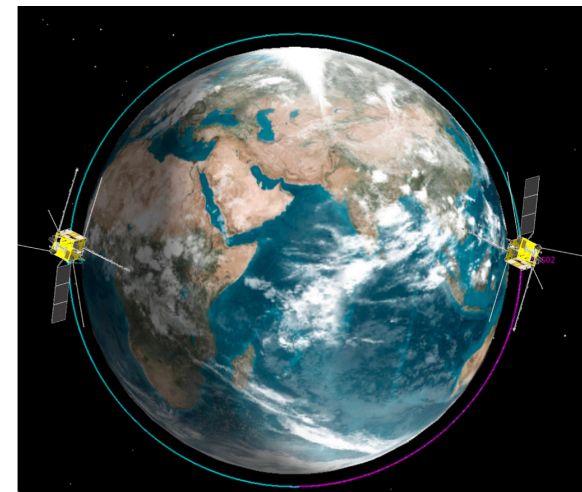
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Other particle detectors on board CSES-01

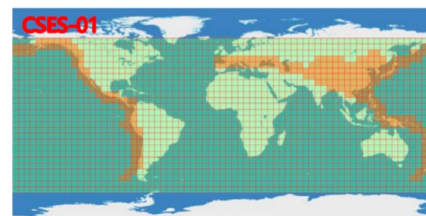


The launch of the second satellite CSES-02 will lead to a new era for the project, **making CSES a sophisticated multi-satellite space observatory:**

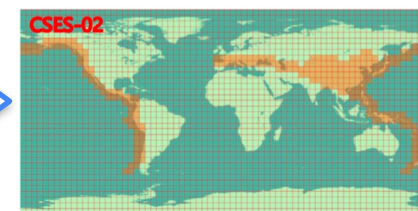
- Same platform of CSES-01 with some upgrades
 - system with orbit manoeuvre capability
 - X-Band Data Transmission 120Mbps → 150Mbps
 - Total Mass: 730kg → 900kg
 - Peak Power Consumption: ~900W
 - Design Life-span: 5 years → 6 years
- Complementary Orbit with CSES-01
 - Same Orbit Plane but shifted by 180°;
 - Return cycle: 5 days → 2.5 days
- Operation mode: Full time operational



Operation area between lat [-65,65]

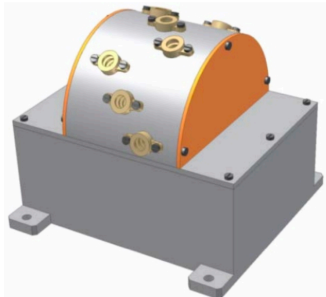


Full coverage at extreme latitudes

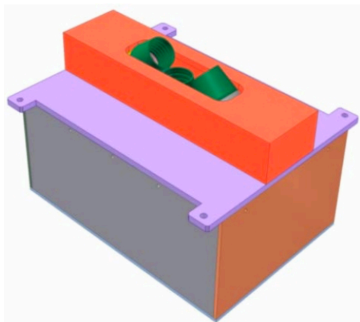


The Limadou Collaboration committed to build HEPD-02

MEED-L



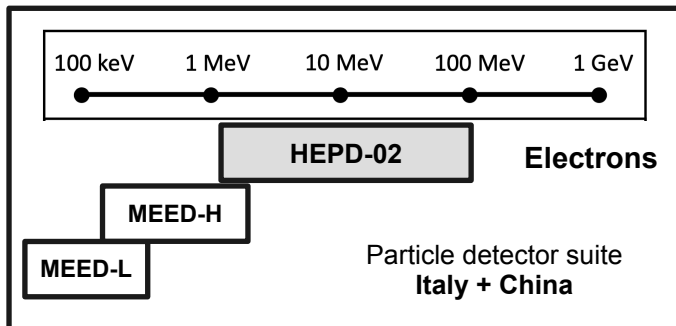
MEED-H



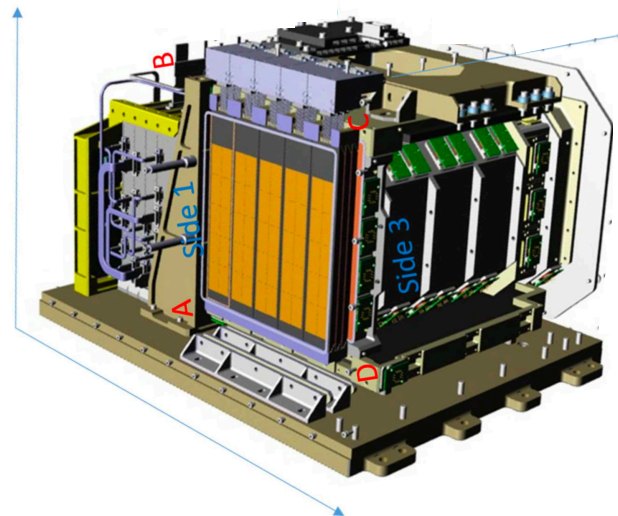
In situ measurement of electrons:

- MEED-L: 9 silicon sensors, energy range 25 keV to 400 keV
- MEED-H: 3 sensors, energy range: from 200 keV to 3.2 MeV

Designed to have a small overlap with Limadou HEPD-02

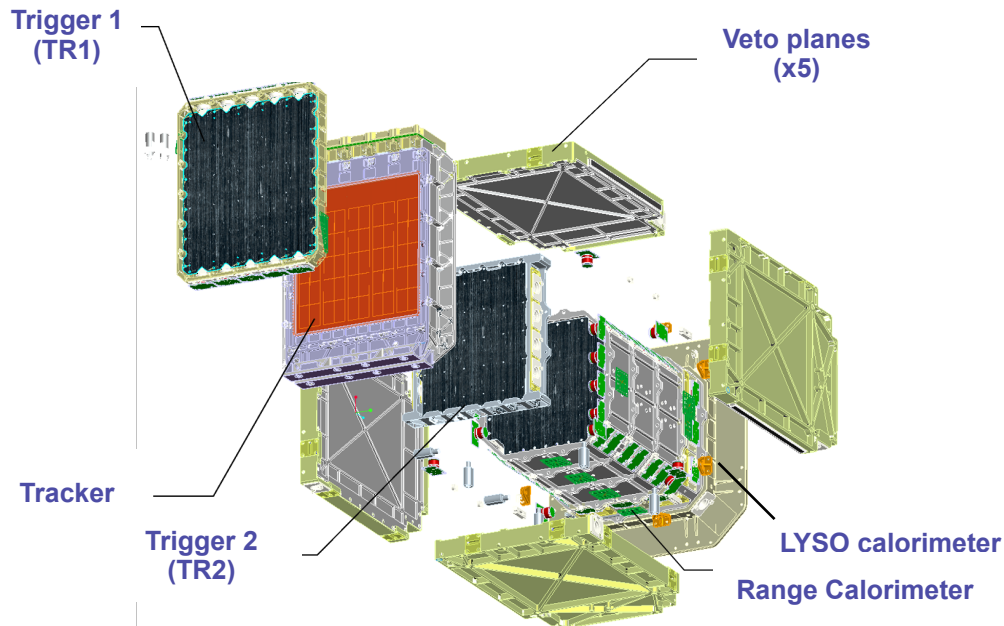


Limadou HEPD-02



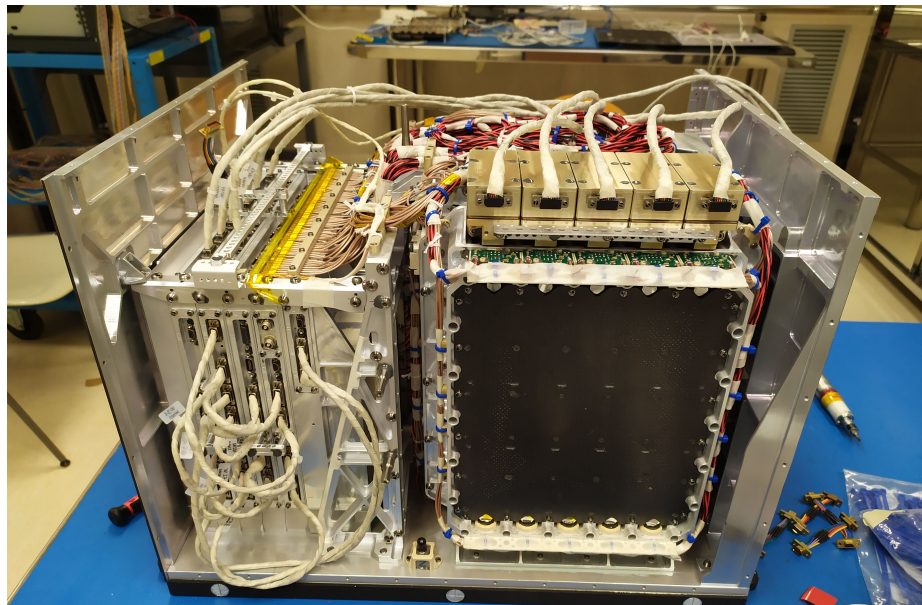
Major Changes with respect to HEPD-01

1. **Pixel tracker (MAPS modules)**
-> 28 μm pixel pitch
2. **Trigger doubled (2 planes):**
 - TR1 is 5 bars 0.2 cm thick
 - TR2 is 4 bars 0.8 cm thick (opposite direction w.r.t. TR1)-> Decrease energy threshold and increase redundancy.
3. **Range calorimeter planes reduced** from 16 to 12 (15x15x1 cm^3 thick);
4. **Lyso:** from 9 cubes to **6 bars** (5x15x2.5 cm^3);
-> Increase energy range, position sensitivity and redundancy.

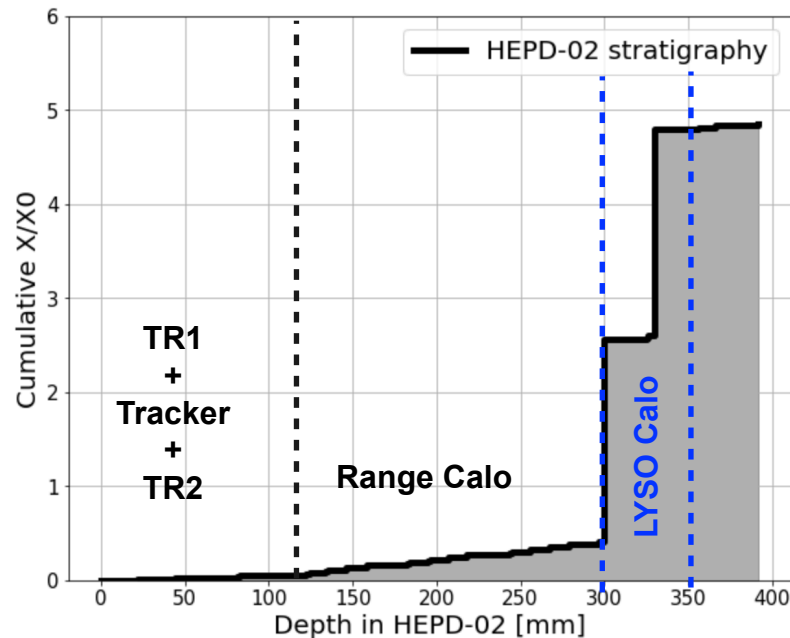


Major upgrades with HEPD-02

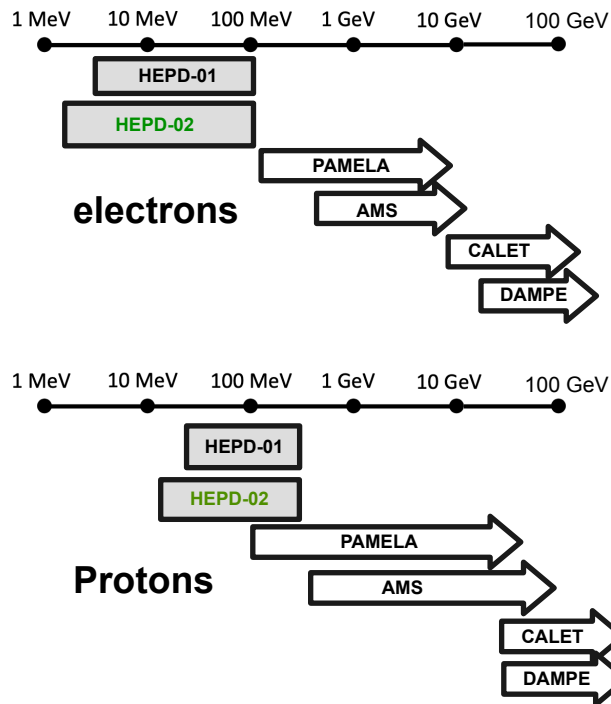
Assembled HEPD-02 FM



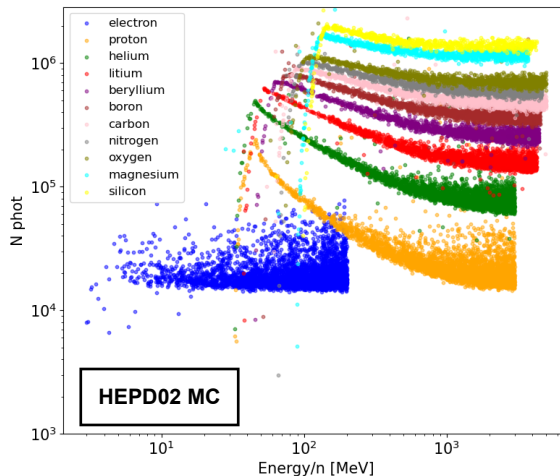
HEPD-02 thickness in X/X_0



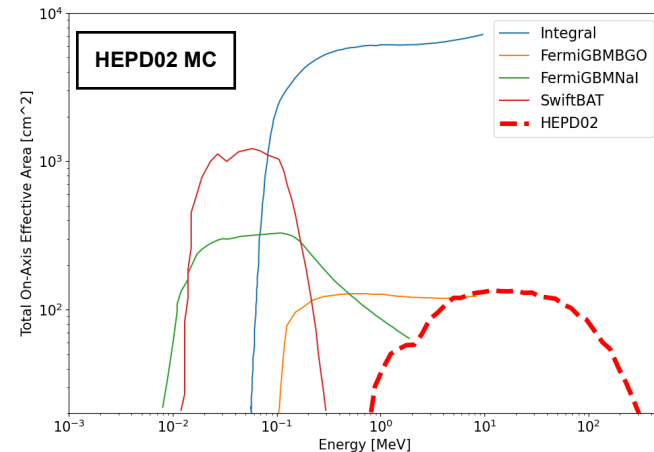
HEPD-02 is designed to measure fluxes electrons, protons and heavy nuclei in a wide range of energies and it has sensitivity to Gamma Ray Burst down to the MeV level



Nuclei



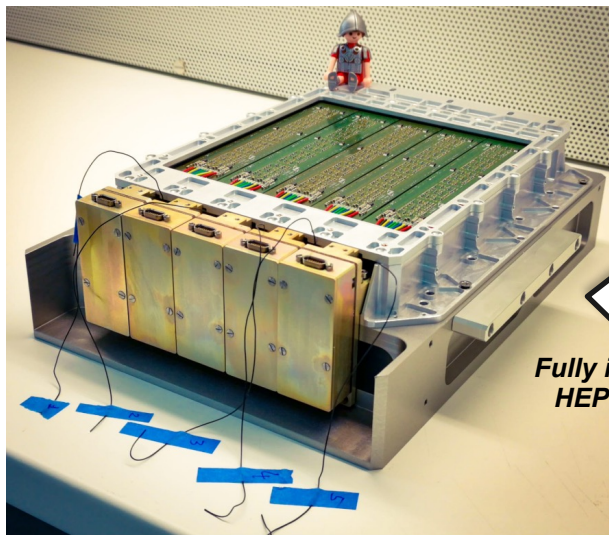
Sensitivity to Gamma Ray Burst



First MAPS pixel tracker in space

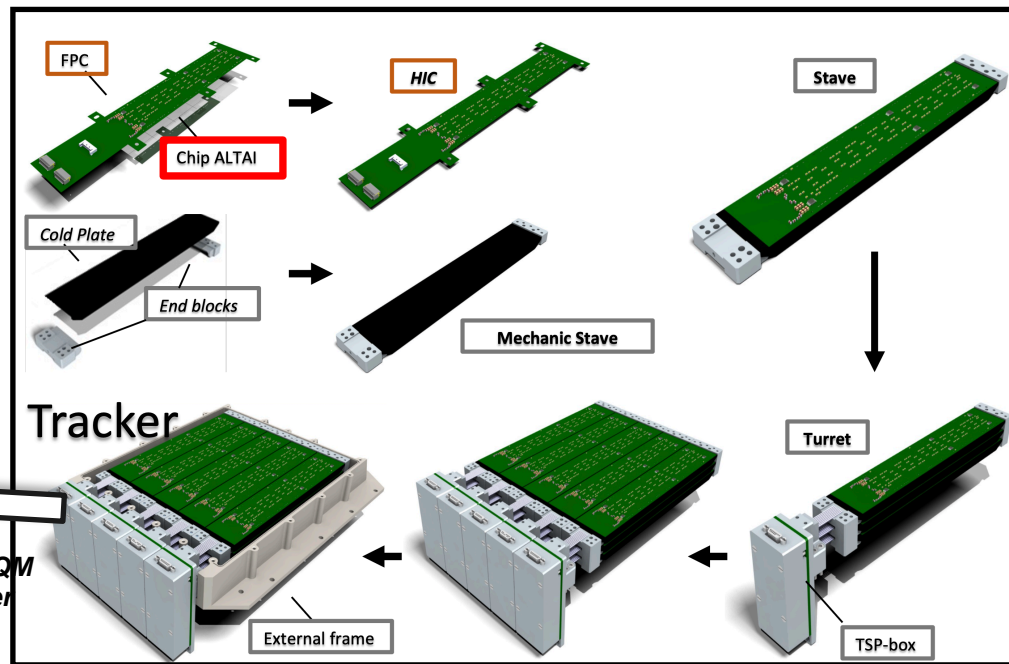
Based on the MAPS developed for ALICE experiment

- Pixel size $29.24\ \mu\text{m} \times 26.88\ \mu\text{m}$ ($\sim 4\ \mu\text{m}$ single-hit resolution)
- ALTAI: 512x1024 pixels \rightarrow 10 chips per stave;
- 5 turrets, each made of 3 staves with active area $15 \times 3\ \text{cm}^2$ each;
- Low material budget $\sim 0.015\ X_0$;



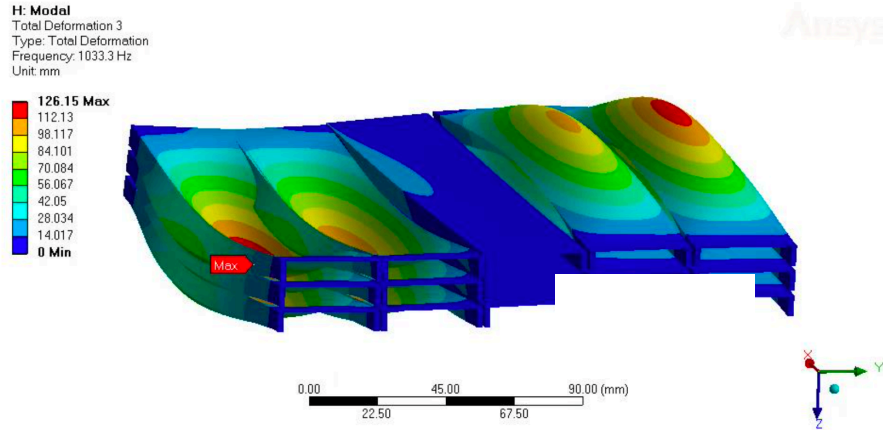
Fully integrated QM
HEPD-02 tracker

Tracker integration steps

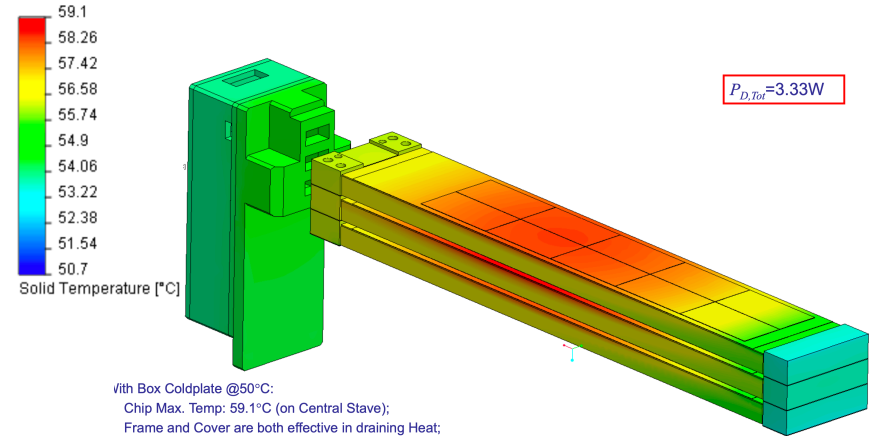


A 80 megapixel CMOS camera for charged radiation

Modal analysis of tracker mechanics (sustain structural stresses > 10 G)



Thermal analysis of a turret at high temperatures (thermal cycling between -30°C and +50 °C)



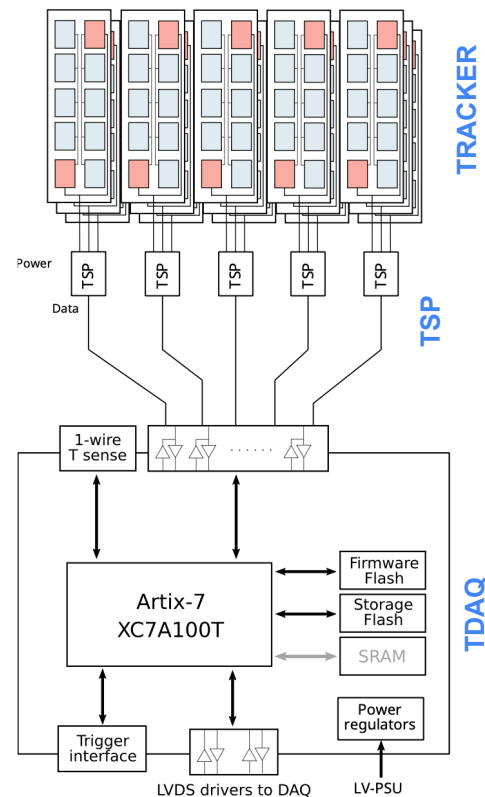
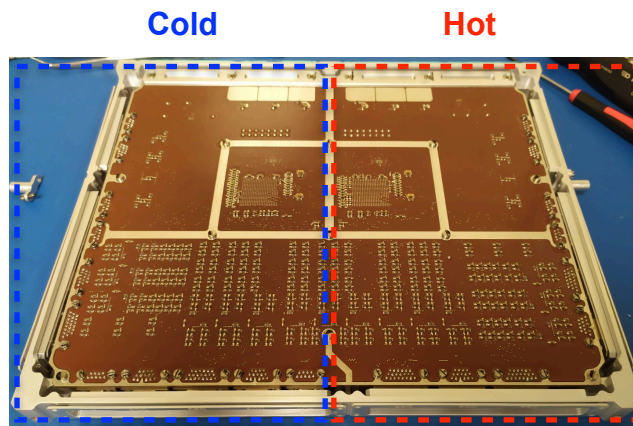
Tracker Readout (TDAQ)

Customized ALTAI readout for HEPD-02 space application

- Designed to respect the power **consumption limit of the full tracker**.
- manage tracker configuration and full DAQ and data reduction.
- Implement a **hot/cold** design to increase overall reliability during flight.

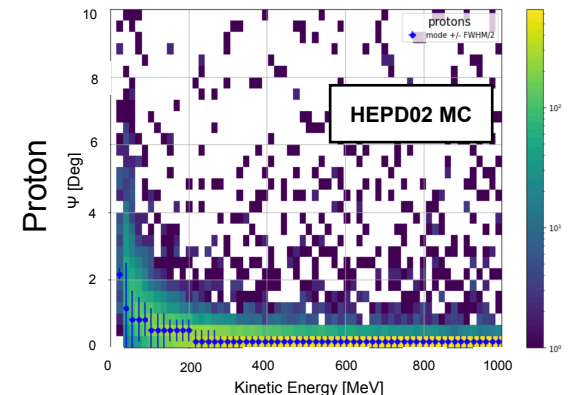
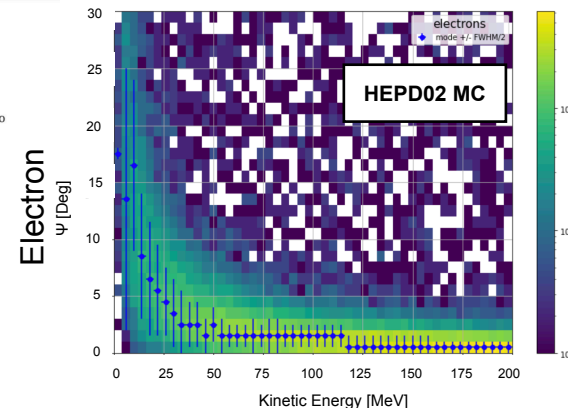
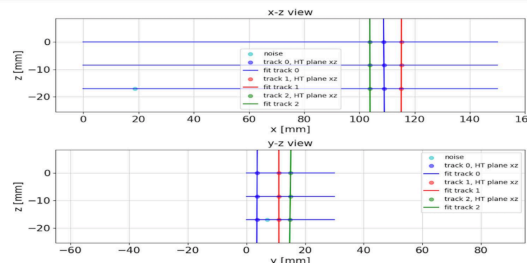
TDAQ implementation

- Xilinx Artix7 in the low-power version.
- Modular structure to implement a sparse readout to achieve high throughput rate.
- MicroBlaze soft processor manage lightweight in-flight calibration procedures.



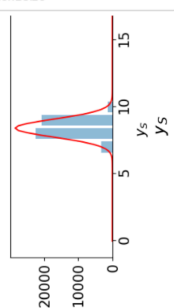
HEPD-02 tracking capabilities

- Good correlation between cluster size and deposited energy;
- Energy resolution limited by multiple scattering at low energies;
- Digital output makes room for online tracking.

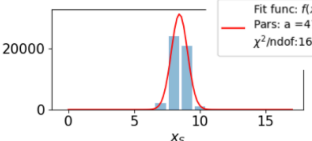
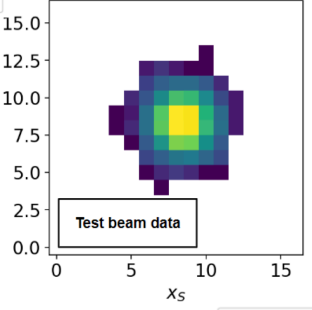


Data from proton test beam

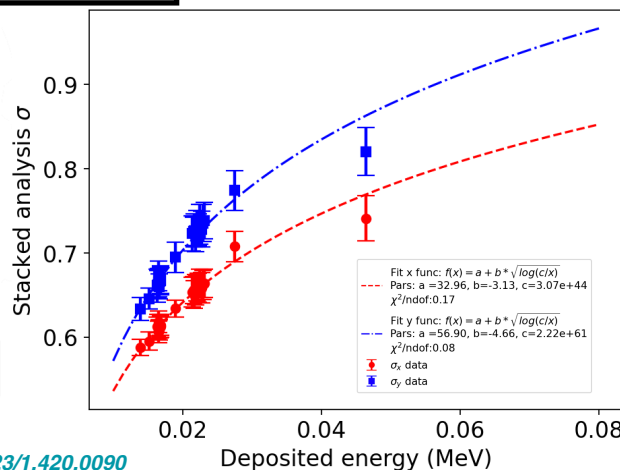
Fit func: $f(x) = a * \text{Norm}(x; x_0, \sigma)$
 Pars: $a = 47788.73$, $x_0 = 8.42$, $\sigma = 0.67$
 $\chi^2/\text{ndof}: 28.20$



Beam energy: 174.1 MeV



Fit func: $f(x) = a * \text{Norm}(x; x_0, \sigma)$
 Pars: $a = 47986.55$, $x_0 = 8.43$, $\sigma = 0.61$
 $\chi^2/\text{ndof}: 16.87$



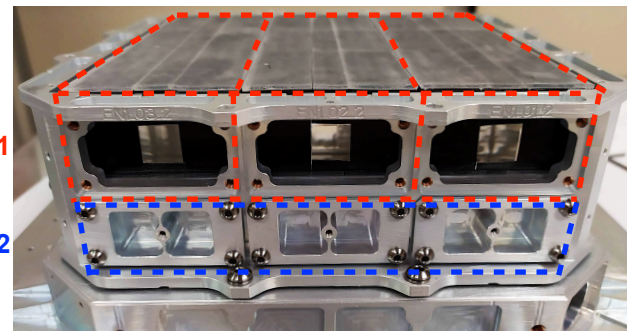
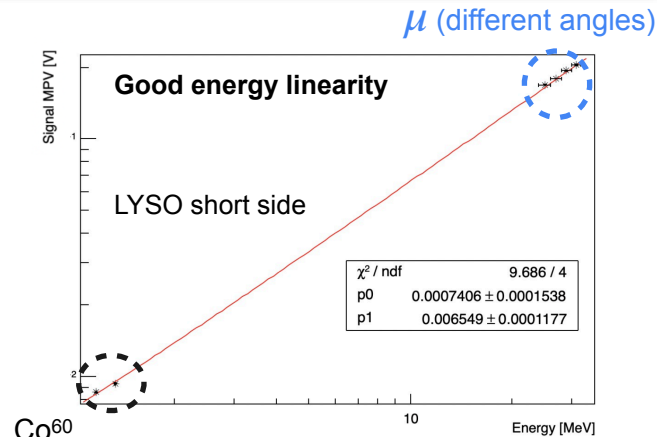
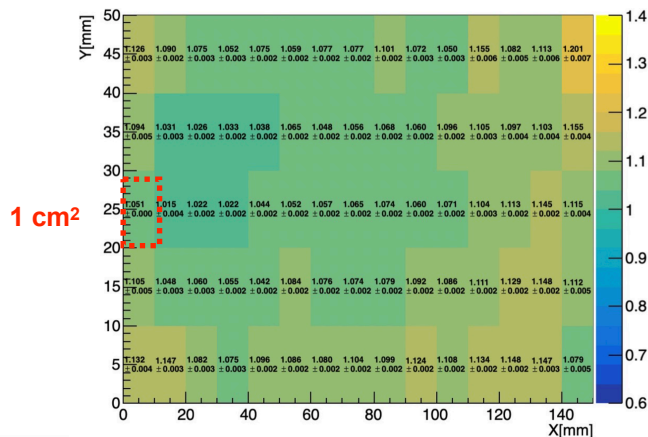
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1LYSO = $15 \times 5 \times 2.5 \text{ cm}^3$



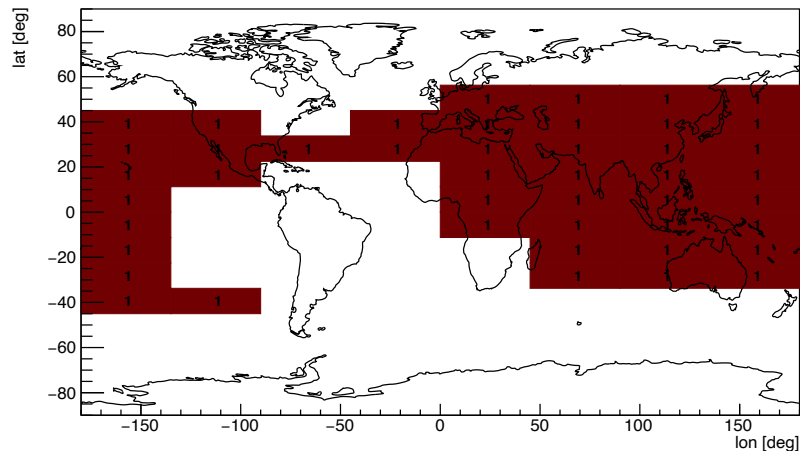
LYSO calorimeter structure:

- Among the largest LYSO crystal ever fabricated $15 \times 5 \times 2.5 \text{ cm}^3$;
- Two layers of LYSO bars and a layer contains three bars (read-out by two PMTs each) $\sim 4.3 X_0$
- Optical features and light propagation properties compatible within 5%.

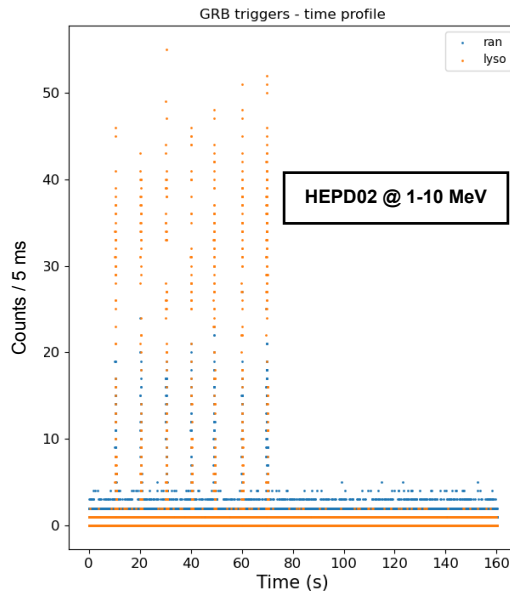


Dedicated GRB trigger has been designed for HEPD-02, exploiting both EJ-200 plastic scintillators (for low energy gammas) and LYSO crystals (for high energy gammas). **Tests of the GRB ongoing @ LINAC - Trento.**

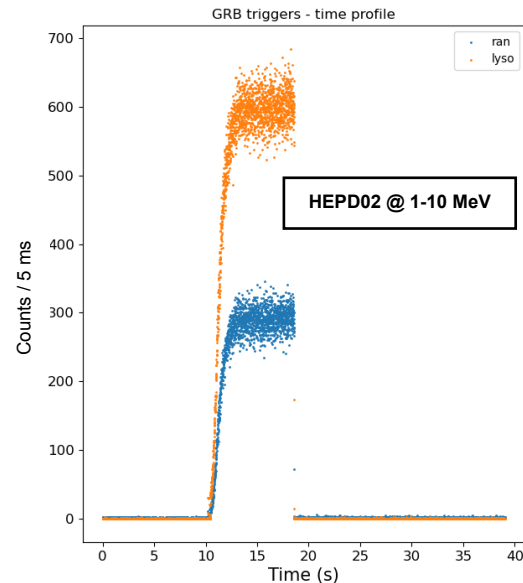
GRB acquisition region



7 consecutive <1 sec
gamma pulses



Single ~10
second pulse

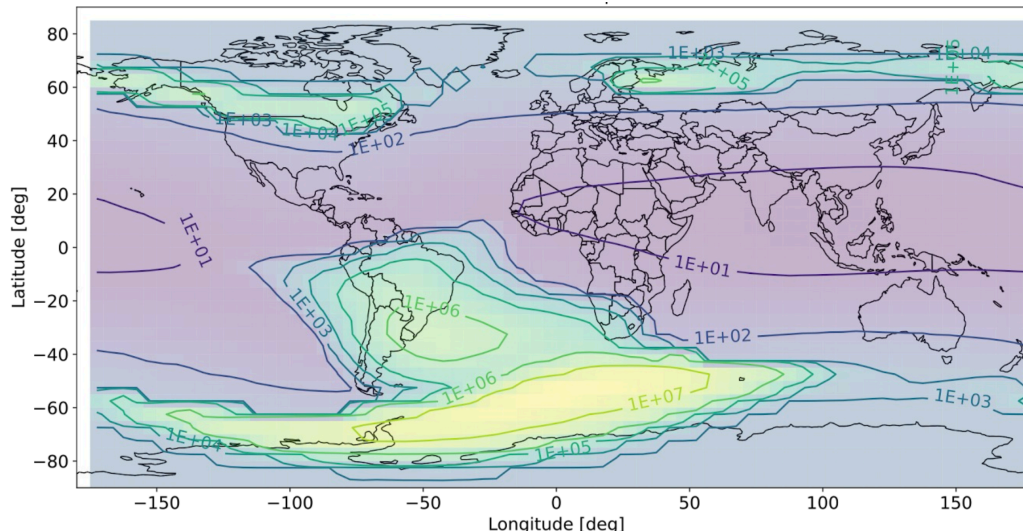


Upgraded trigger capabilities

Depending on the zone along the orbit, different trigger masks can be used at the same time.

- Max **6 concurrent trigger** masks;
- 4 trigger masks can be **pre-scaled**;

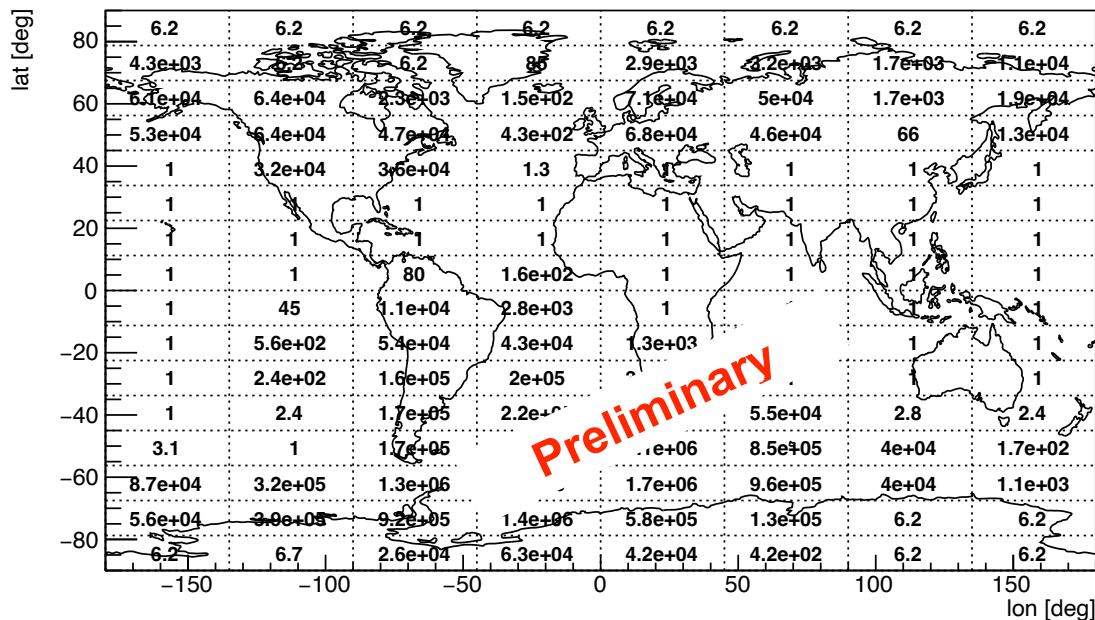
Galactic + Trapped (AE9/AP9)



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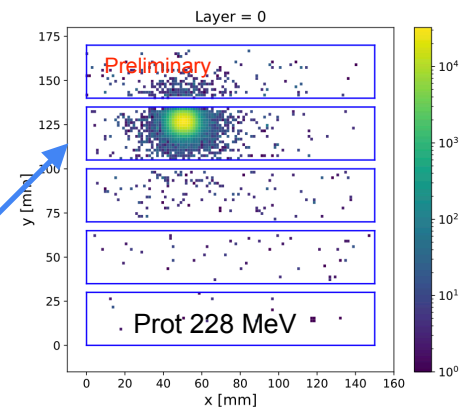
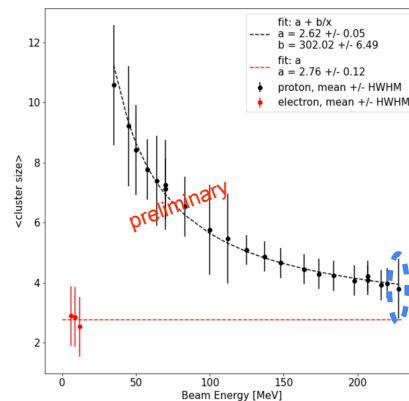
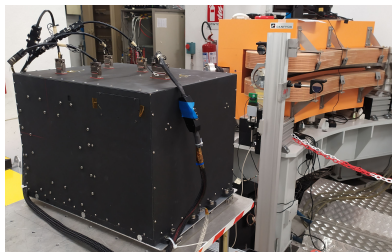
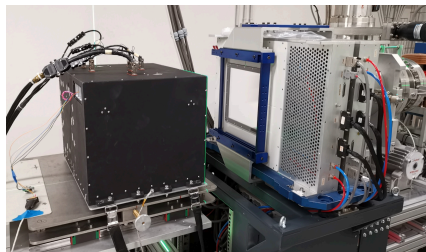
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HEPD-02 Test Beam campaign

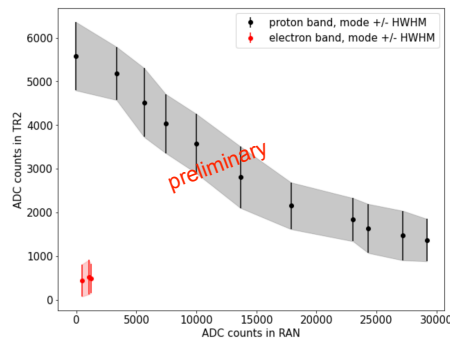
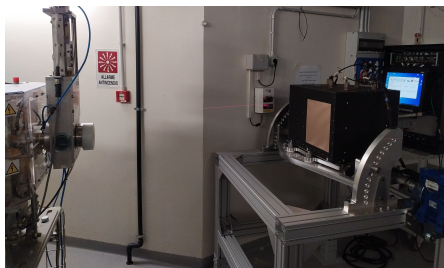
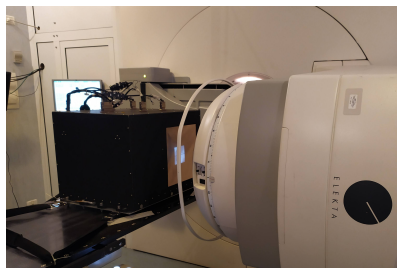
Carbon/proton @ CNAO
Dec 2022 - Jan 2023

$e^- (>30 \text{ MeV})$ @ BTF April 2023

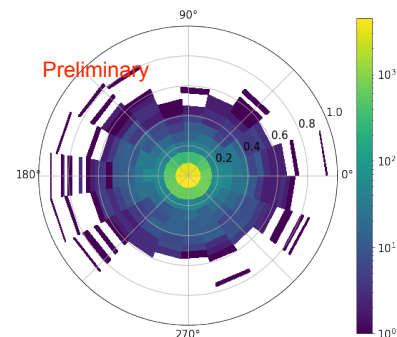


$e^- (6-12 \text{ MeV})/\gamma$ @ (Trento)
Last week June 2023

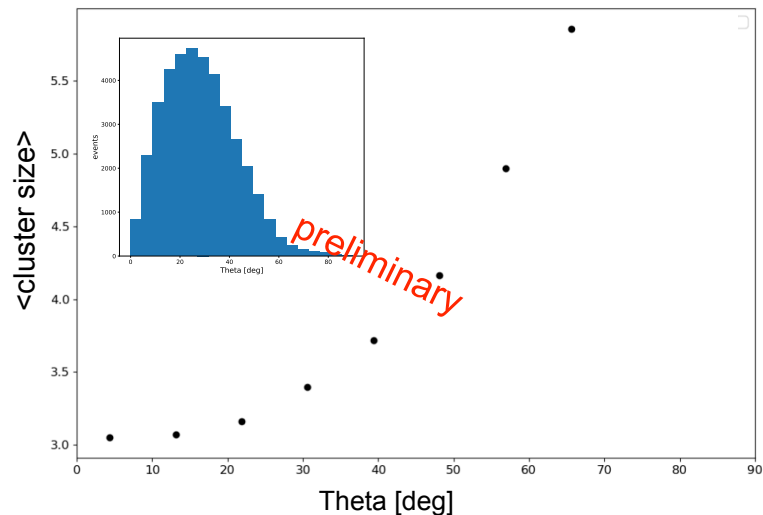
Proton @ APSS (Trento)
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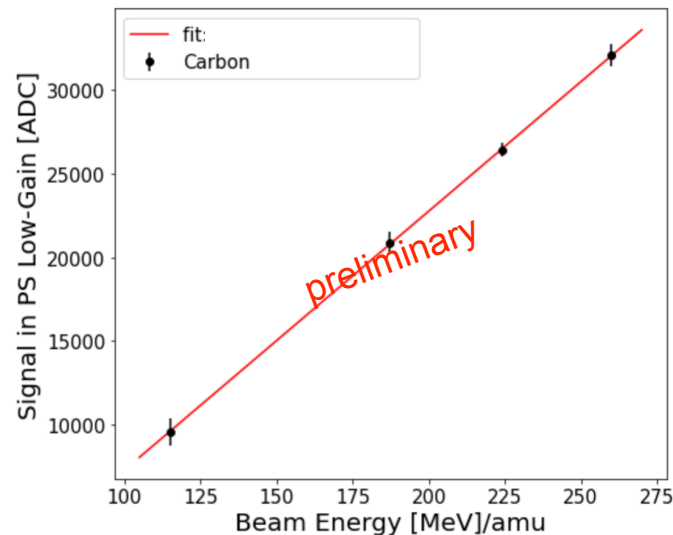
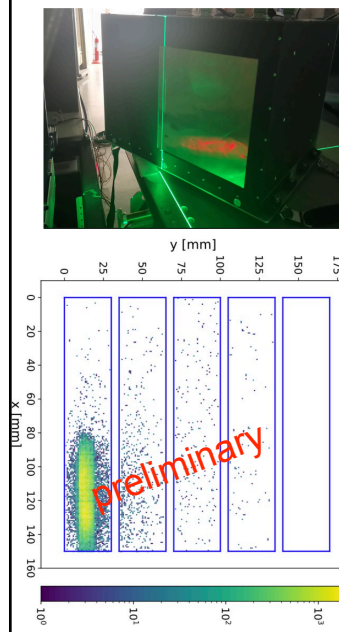
Vertical beam $e^- 120 \text{ MeV}$



Atmospheric muon data



Carbon Beam

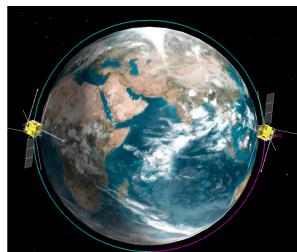


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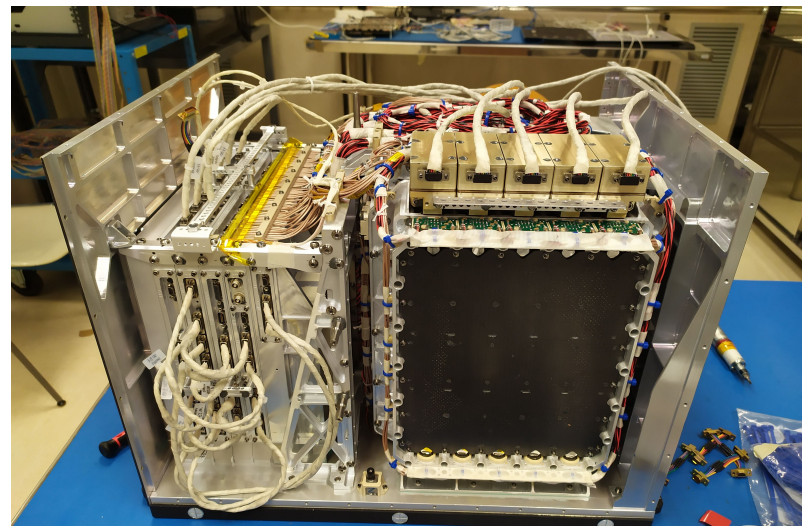
- **The Limadou HEPD-01 detector and activities;**
 - **Solar modulation** of galactic cosmic rays;
 - Observation of impulsive phenomena;
- **The Limadou HEPD-02 detector;**
 - Design and upgrades with respect of HEPD-01;
 - MAPS tracker and LYSO calorimeter;
 - Improved trigger capabilities;

The new phase of the CSES mission will start with launch of the second satellite, during 2024. An exciting phase will start!

*CSES as a new
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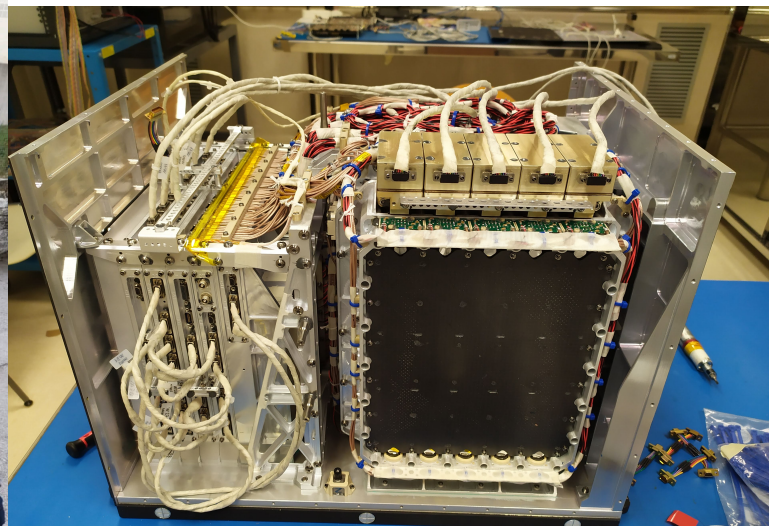
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