# Silicon tracking detector for space-borne experiments





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#### The total Cosmic Ray flux



- Up to ~ 10<sup>20</sup> eV;
- Energy density  $\approx$  1 eV / cm<sup>3</sup>;
- Luminosity, L > 10<sup>40</sup> erg/s;

$$\Phi(E)dE = kE^{-\gamma}dE \qquad \gamma \approx 2.6 - 2.7$$

- energies much higher than reachable at accelerators on ground;
- to investigate the spectral and chemical composition accurate detector ('a la particle physics') are needed;
- to reach higher energies, bigger and bigger detectors are needed;

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#### The experimental challenge



#### The instrument we need has ...

- performance a la `particle physics':
  - high resolution measurements of momentum, velocity, charge and energy
- characteristics to properly access and work in space:
  - Vibration (6.8 G rms) and acceleration (17 G)
  - Temperature variation (day/night  $\Delta T = 100$ °C)
  - Vacuum (10<sup>-10</sup> Torr)
  - Orbital debris and micrometeorites
  - Radiation (Single Event Effect)
- limitation in
  - weight (15000 lb)
  - power (3KW), bandwidth and maintenance
- Compliant with EMI/EMC specs

exact stress numbers depend from the details of the mission, here AMS-02 values are reported

## **Tracking in space: Spectrometer vs Calorimeter**

Magnetic spectrometer

Calorimetric detector



Spatial resolution:  $3 - 10 \,\mu m$ 

Spatial resolution: 30 – 70 μm



#### (very) Simplified test flow-chart



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#### SERMS laboratory in Terni

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if you are good enough you can break a detector ;-)

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## **Technology Readiness Level**



Source: Adapted from NASA and Mankins (1995)

#### L3 Silicon Microvertex Detector at LEP (1993)















## AMS-01 Silicon Tracker (1998)



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#### Space:



HEAO3-C2 (nuclei) < 40 GeV/n

#### Short missions (days)/ Larger payloads



AMS-01 on Discovery (8 days, 1998)

**CRN on Challenger** (3.5 days 1985)





Long missions Large payloads

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#### AMS-02: A TeV precision, multipurpose spectrometer



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#### The DAMPE detector



#### **The DAMPE detector**



## AMS-02 Silicon Tracker (2011)



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 $\mu$  ch 27.5 μm ut pitch 110 μm

## The DAMPE Silicon TracKer (2015)









## FERMI (2008)



#### strip pitch 230 μm readout pitch 230 μm





73 m<sup>2</sup> surface 9216 sensors 2304 ladders 221kchannels

#### LAUNCH!





#### Tracker signals and charge ID (AMS-02)



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#### AMS-02 noise behavior vs time



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#### **FERMI** noise time evolution



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## **AMS tracking efficiency and resolution**



#### implantation pitch is 25 $\mu$ m, readout pitch 100 $\mu$ m

#### $\sim$ 5 $\mu$ m intrinsic position resolution after on-orbit alignment

**DAMPE STK position resolution** 



# implantation pitch is 121 $\mu$ m, readout pitch 242 $\mu$ m ~40 $\mu$ m intrinsic position resolution after on-orbit alignment

#### current experiments



All the current and past detectors are designed as 'telescopes': they're sensitive only to particles impinging from "the top" limited FoV → small acceptance



# new paradigma: CALOCUBE

- Exploit the CR "isotropy" to maximize the effective geometrical factor, by using all the surface of the detector (aiming to reach  $\Omega = 4\pi$ )
- The calorimeter should be highly isotropic and homogeneous:
  - the needed <u>depth</u> of the calorimeter must be guaranteed for all the sides (i.e. cube, sphere, ...)
  - the <u>segmentation</u> of the calorimeter should be isotropic

# Development in the framework of the CALCUBE INFN initiative



## HERD: cosmic ray detector on board the China Space Station





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#### PS + SiPM

@INFN Bari, Lecce, GSSI, Pavia





Silicon Track @INFN Perugia

Fiber Tracker @Univ. of Geneva















## a Tracker for HERD

very preliminary design, work in progress



## Lagrangian point 2: a nice place in space



(i) Ahttps://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\_of\_objects\_at\_Lagrangian\_points

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#### L2 [edit]

L<sub>2</sub> is the Lagrangian point located approximately 1.5 million km from Earth in the direction opposite the Sun.

#### Past probes [edit]

- NASA's Wilkinson Microwave Anisotropy Probe (WMAP) observed the cosmic microwave background from 2001 until 2010. It was moved to a heliocentric orbit to avoid posing a hazard to future missions.
- NASA's WIND from November 2003 to April 2004. The spacecraft then went to Earth orbit, before heading to L1.
- The ESA Herschel Space Observatory exhausted its supply of liquid helium and was moved from the Lagrangian point in June 2013.
- At the end of its mission ESA's Planck spacecraft was put into a heliocentric orbit and passivated to prevent it from endangering any future missions.
- CNSA's Chang'e 2<sup>[1]</sup> from August 2011 to April 2012. Chang'e 2 was then placed onto a heliocentric orbit that took it past the near-Earth asteroid 4179 Toutatis.

#### Present probes [edit]

• The ESA Gaia probe

#### Planned probes [edit]

- The joint Russian-German high-energy astrophysics observatory Spektr-RG
- The ESA Euclid mission, to better understand dark energy and dark matter by accurately measuring the acceleration of the universe.
- The joint NASA, ESA and CSA James Webb Space Telescope (JWST), formerly known as the Next Generation Space Telescope (NGST)
- The ESA PLATO mission, which will find and characterize rocky exoplanets.
- The JAXA LiteBIRD mission.
- The NASA Wide Field Infrared Survey Telescope (WFIRST)
- The ESA ARIEL mission, which will observe the atmospheres of exoplanets.
- The ESA Advanced Telescope for High ENergy Astrophysics (ATHENA)
- The NASA Advanced Technology Large-Aperture Space Telescope, which would replace the Hubble Space Telescope and possibly the JWST.

#### Cancelled probes [edit]

- The ESA Eddington mission
- The NASA Terrestrial Planet Finder mission (may be placed in an Earth-trailing orbit instead)

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## Aladino

AntimatterLargeAcceptanceDetectorInOrbit

supercoducting coils: magnet



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## AMS-100



# **HEPD-02 tracker**





ADVANTAGES Low fake hit rates Low cost Small pitch Thin detector LIMITS High power consumption Temperature control Increasing number of channels 5 years and ~5M for development

From microstrips to MAPS:







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#### **PAN detector modules**

• 5 tracker modules, 2 TOF modules, 2 pixel modules



- 2 StripX: 25 μm readout pitch, 150 μm thick, 2 μm resolution, to measure both bending radius and bending angle, 40k channels, total power budget 8W
- 1 stripY: 500 μm readout pitch, 150 μm thick, high dynamic range ASIC for Z = 1 26, trigger signal, time stamp (<100 ps resolution), 1k channels, total ~1 W</li>
- TOF module
  - 3 mm thick scintillator, read out on all sides by SiPM: trigger, particle counter (max. ~10 MHz), charge measurement (Z = 1 -26), time (<100 ps), total ~1 W</li>
- Pixel module
  - Avoid measurement degradation for high rate solar events
  - Issue to be resolved: total (static) power consumption ~2-4 W, for ~190 cm<sup>2</sup>

## Conclusions

- Almost 100 m<sup>2</sup> of silicon tracking detector are taking data in orbit
- Silicon microstrip detector are playing a crucial role in running experiments:
  - tuning of spatial resolution vs power is simple (strip pitch)
  - excellent dE/dx measurement for ion identification
  - low power per active unit surface
- Although the technology is 'from last century' it is still optimal for future detector, of any dimension, in space!

#### **Radiation 'hard' electronics**

#### The problem are the SEE (Single Event Effect)



similar test on all active components current limit protection is present for all active components

#### AMS-01 1998





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