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## **POX – PANGU Optimization and eXperimental verification**

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# Outline

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# The PANGU Concept

PANGU (PAir-productionN Gamma-ray Unit) is a sub-GeV  $\gamma$ -ray telescope with unprecedented angular resolution:

- energy range 10 MeV- 1 GeV
- point spread function (PSF)  $\leq 1^\circ$  @ 100 MeV
- novel concept for low weight mission (<100 Kg, but easily up-scalable)

Presented at the ESA-CAS Workshop for a joint scientific space mission on 2014 (arXiv:1407.0710 [astro-ph.IM])

# The Science Case

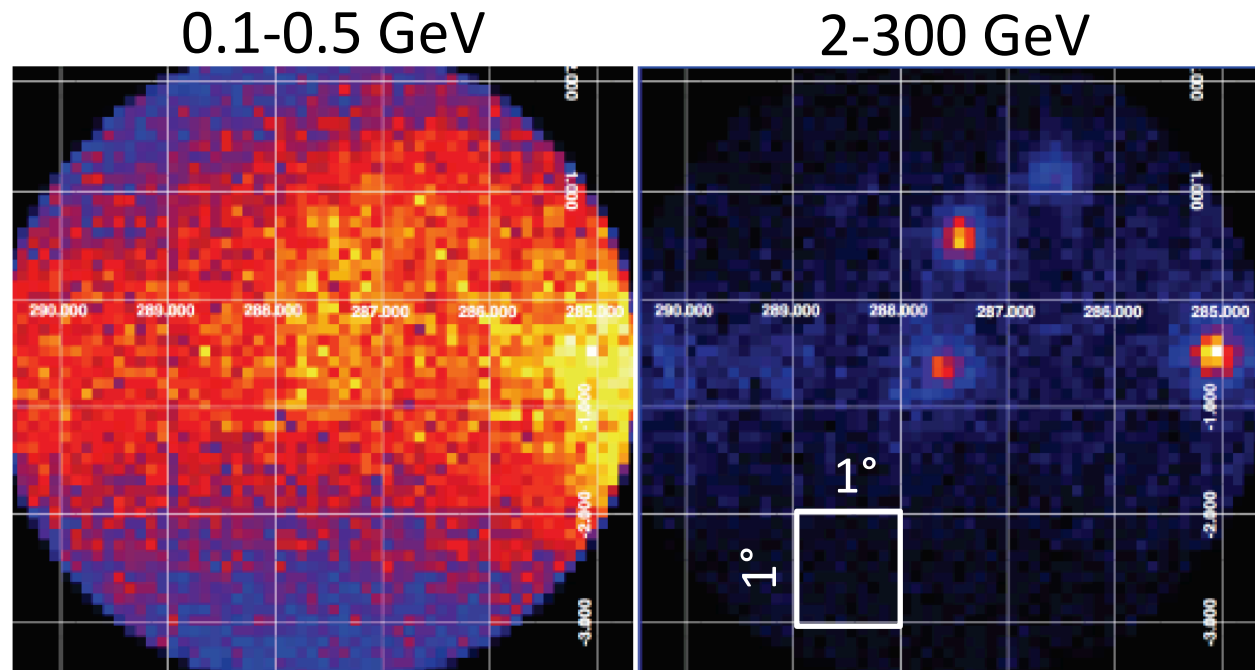
- Source identification and multi-wavelength astronomy, e.g.
  - Millisecond Pulsars
  - $\gamma$ -ray emission from solar flares
- Galactic and isotropic diffuse  $\gamma$ -ray emission
- Indirect DM search (low mass DM)
- Baryon asymmetry signature in diffused  $\gamma$ -ray background
- Origin and acceleration of high energy cosmic rays

# Source identification

Sub-GeV sky is dominated by diffuse  $\gamma$ -ray emission

→ **good angular resolution to identify sources**

Eta Carinae (binary system) seen from Fermi with two different angular resolution (AR)

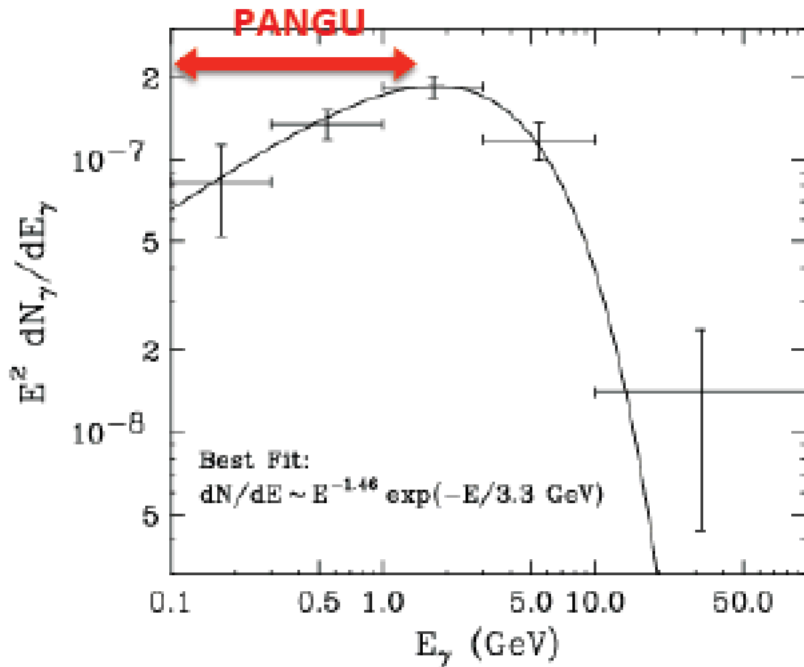


**Goal: PANGU AR  
@0.1-0.5 GeV**

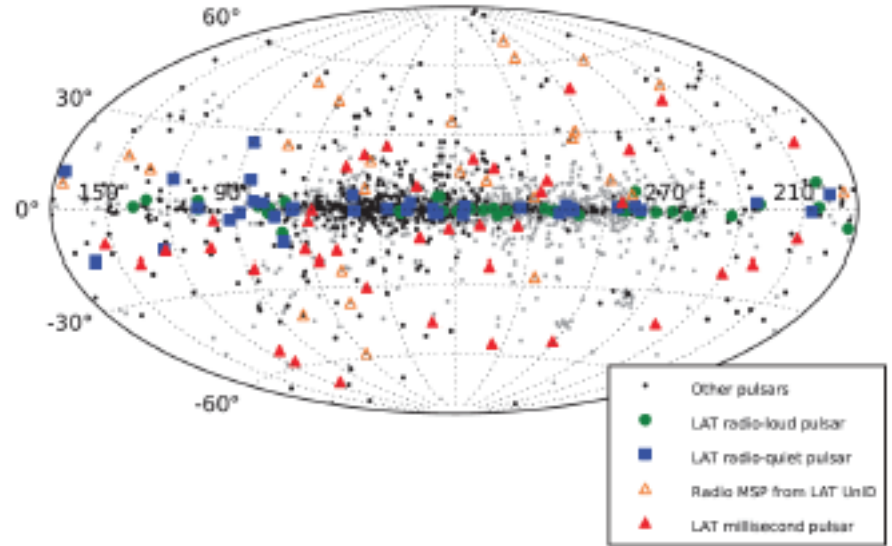
# Millisecond Pulsars (MSP)

Millisecond pulsars emission peaked at  $\sim$ GeV

better PSF  $\rightarrow$  lower background



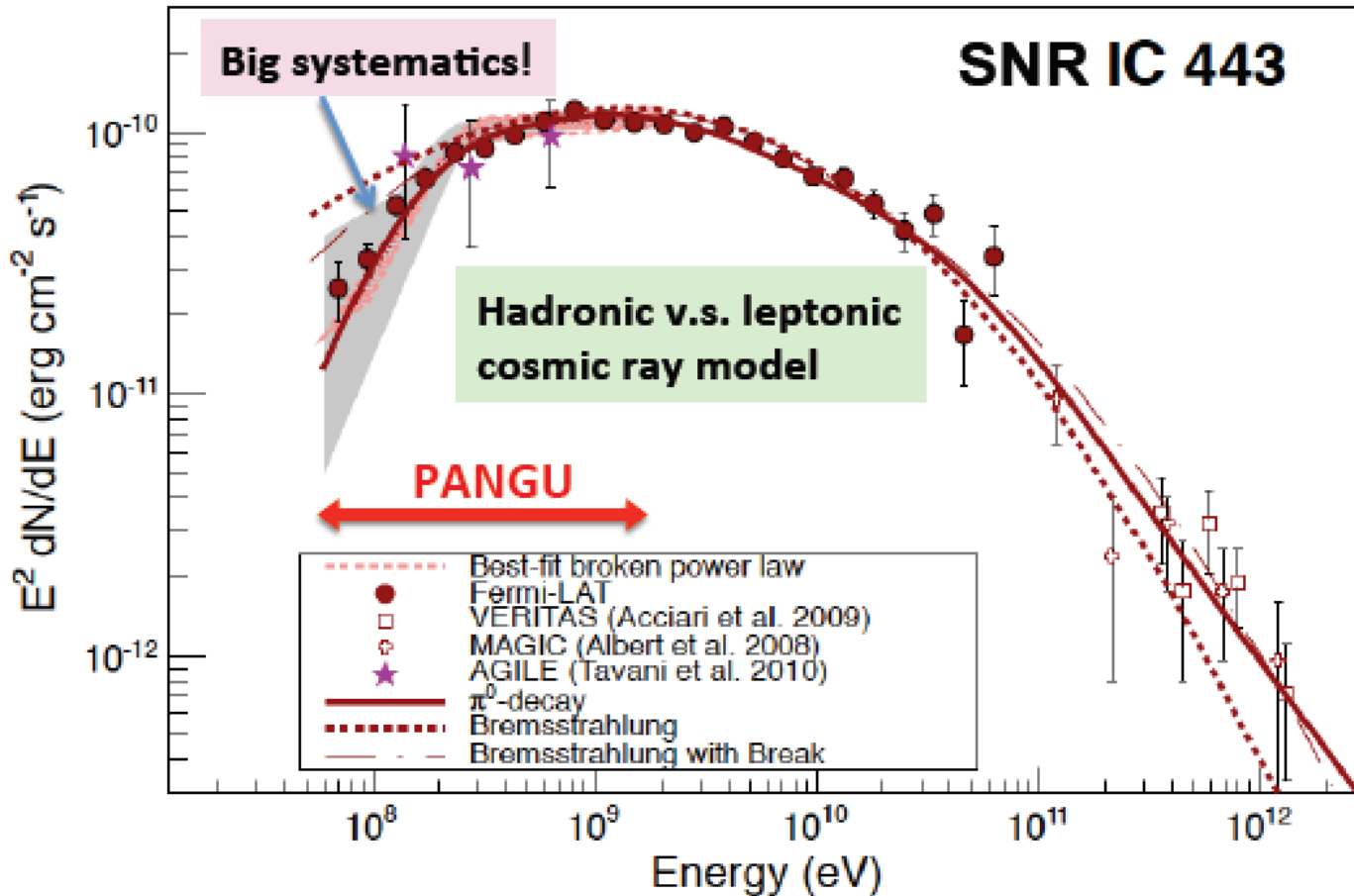
Example of MSP energy spectrum



Fermi pulsar distribution affected by disk contamination (**small PSF required**)

**$\gamma$ -ray observations can help to disentangle the geometry of pulsar magnetospheres and emission regions**

# SNR and Particle Acceleration



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- PANGU will be able to:
- distinguish between the two scenarios (hadronic vs leptonic)
  - detect more SNR (thanks to a good resolution)

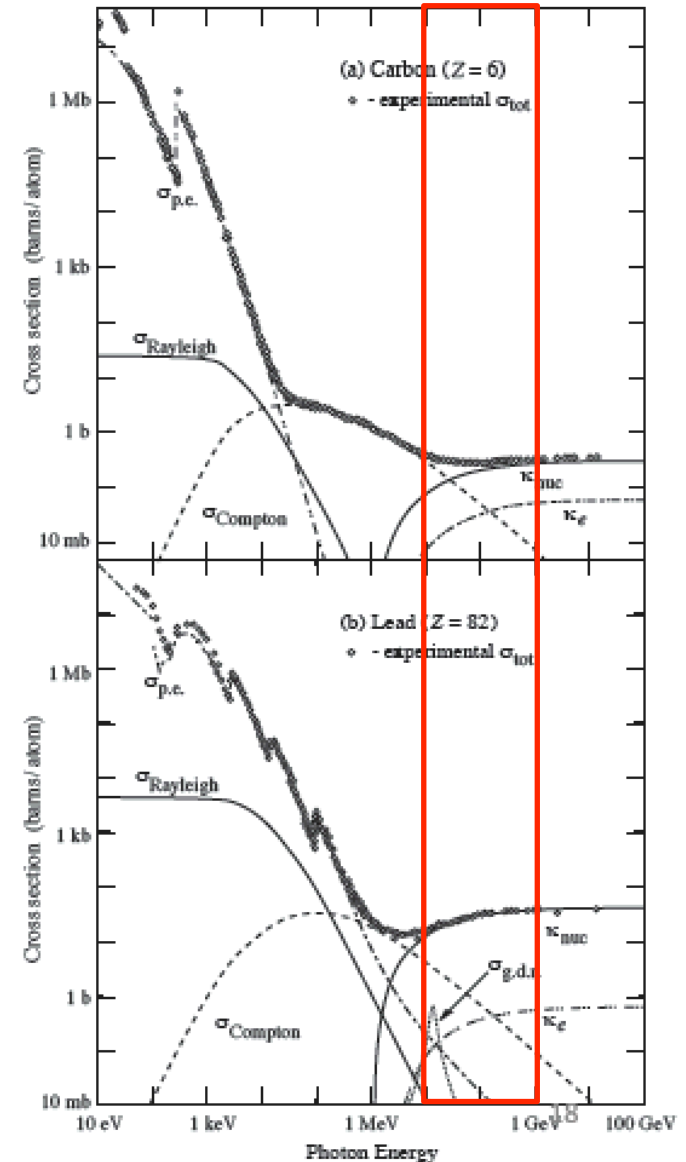
# Detection principle

At  $\sim 100$  MeV, pair production dominates

- small cross section  $\rightarrow$  more material to increase acceptance
- material limiting factor of angular resolution, due to multiple scattering (MS) in the MeV energy range

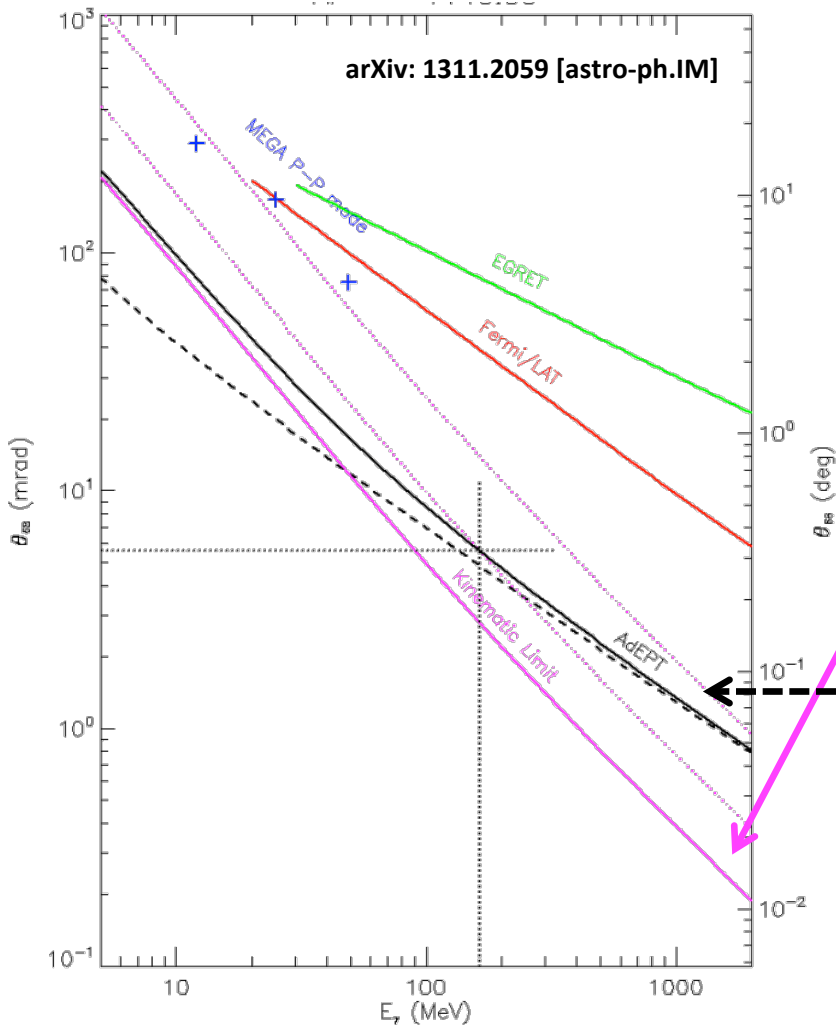
The approach for PANGU is to:

- avoid the MS degradation with less material between consecutive measurements of the pair
- increase the cross section using many layers of converter





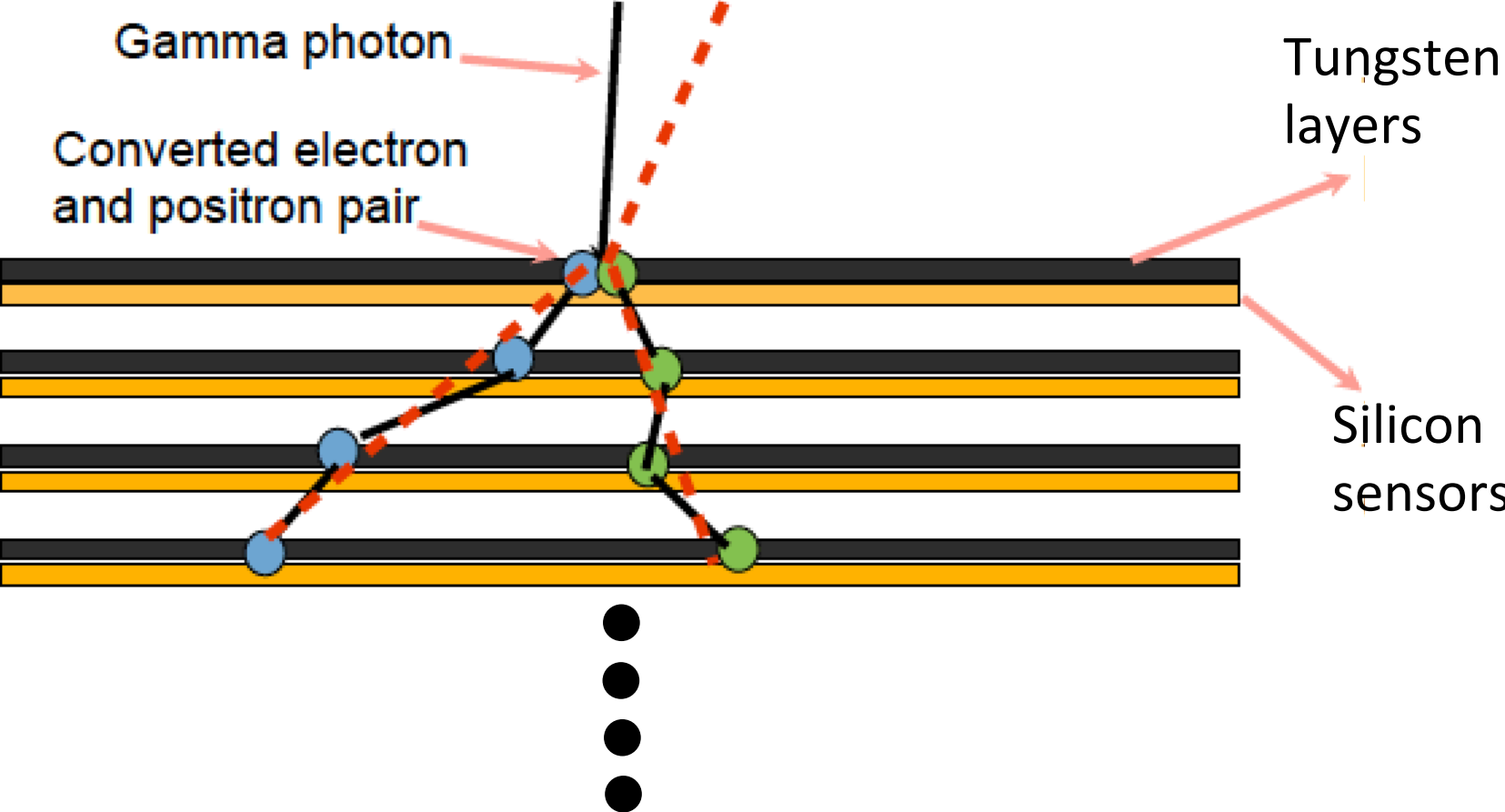
# Pair-conversion telescope angular resolution



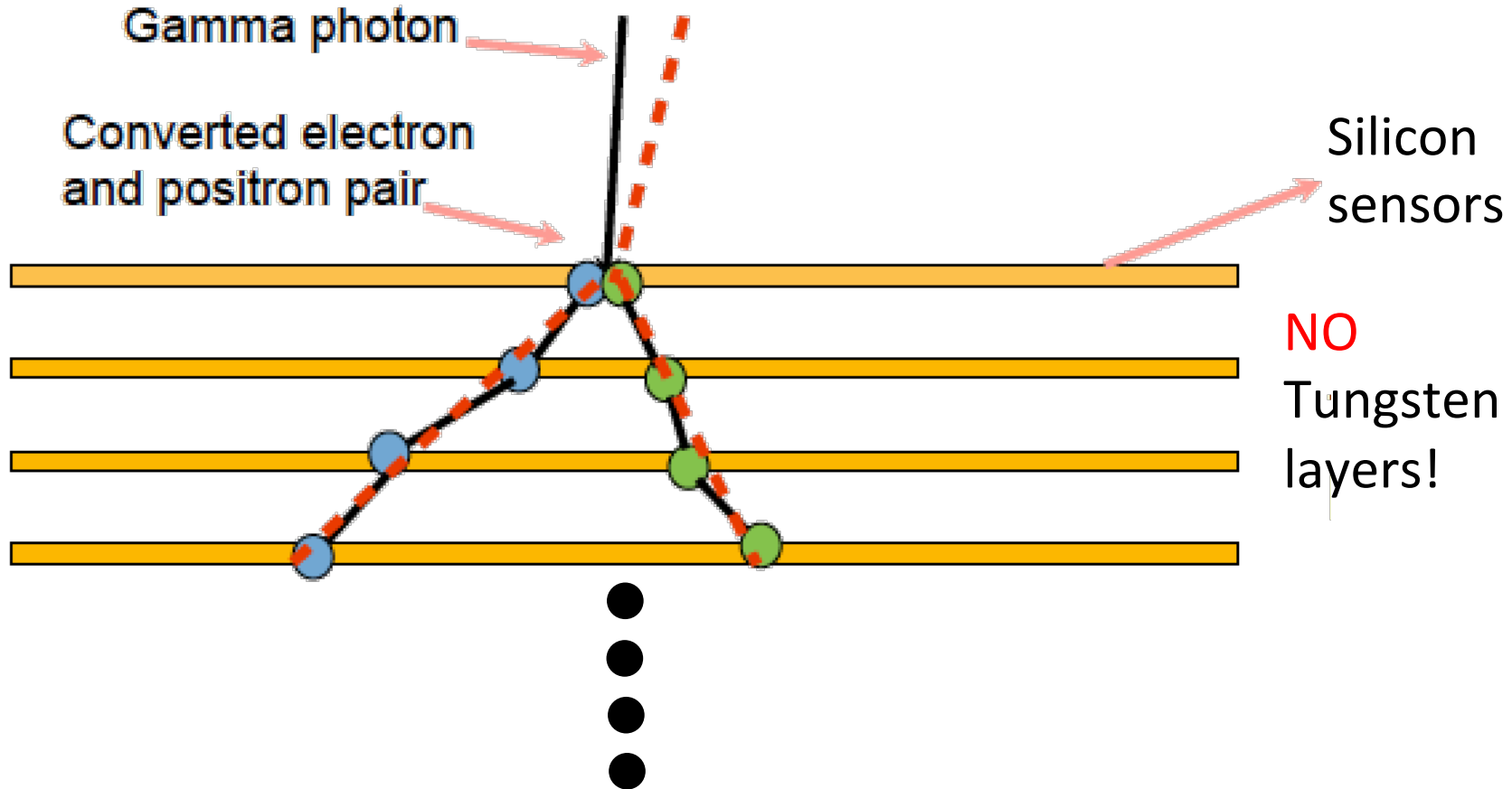
The angular resolution of a pair-conversion telescope:

- relies on the reconstruction of the photon incident angle by the full kinematic measurement of the electron-positron pair
  - energy/rigidity measurement
  - direction (i.e. tracking)
- is limited by the uncertainty on the nucleus (or electron) recoil energy (i.e. “**kinematic limit**”)
- is limited by the Multiple Scattering changing the electron and positron direction
  - the MS is dominating after few  $mX_0$  (10  $mX_0$  for 900 MeV photons)
- decreases as the energy increases

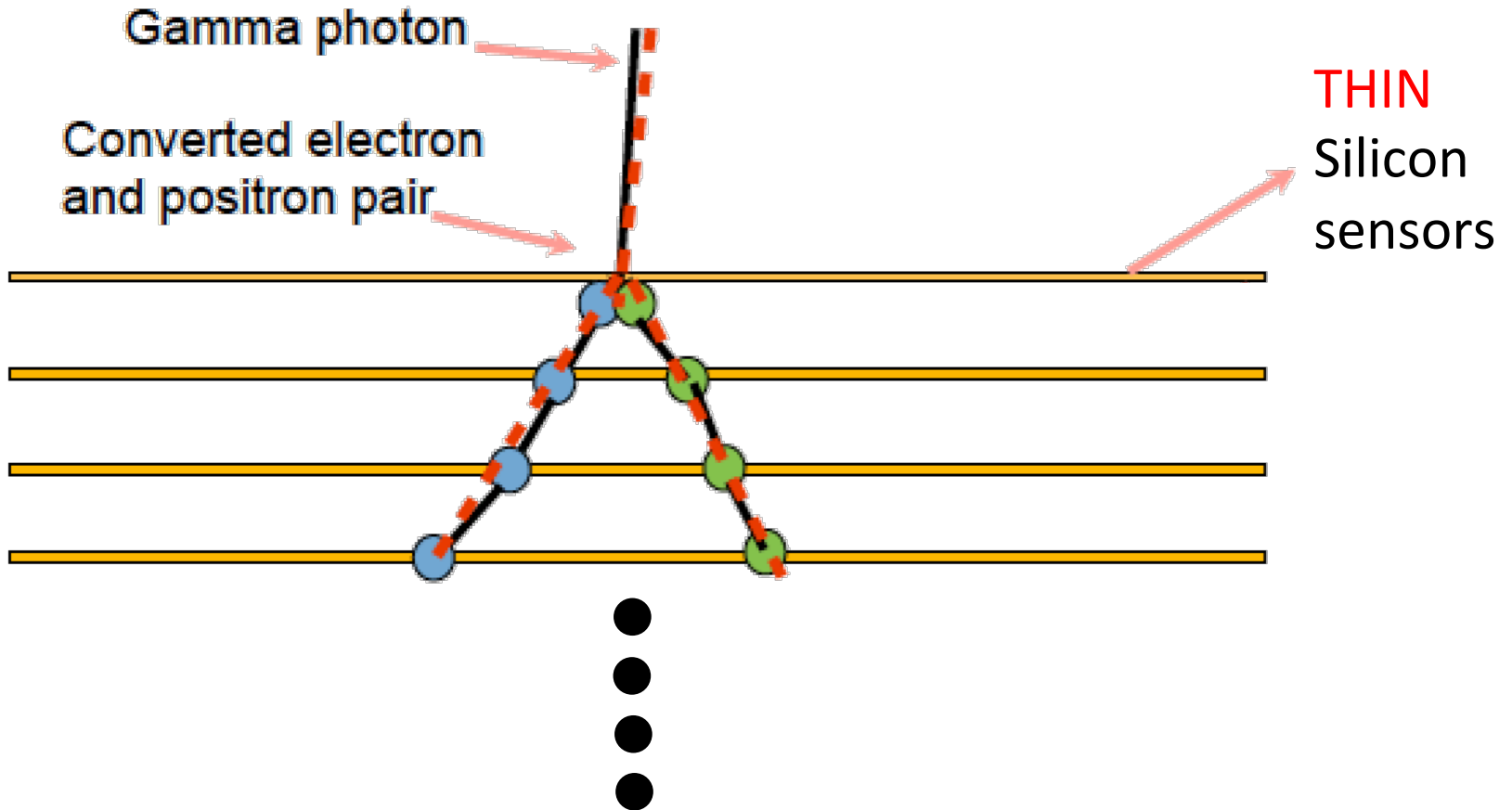
# Detection principle: Fermi-LAT



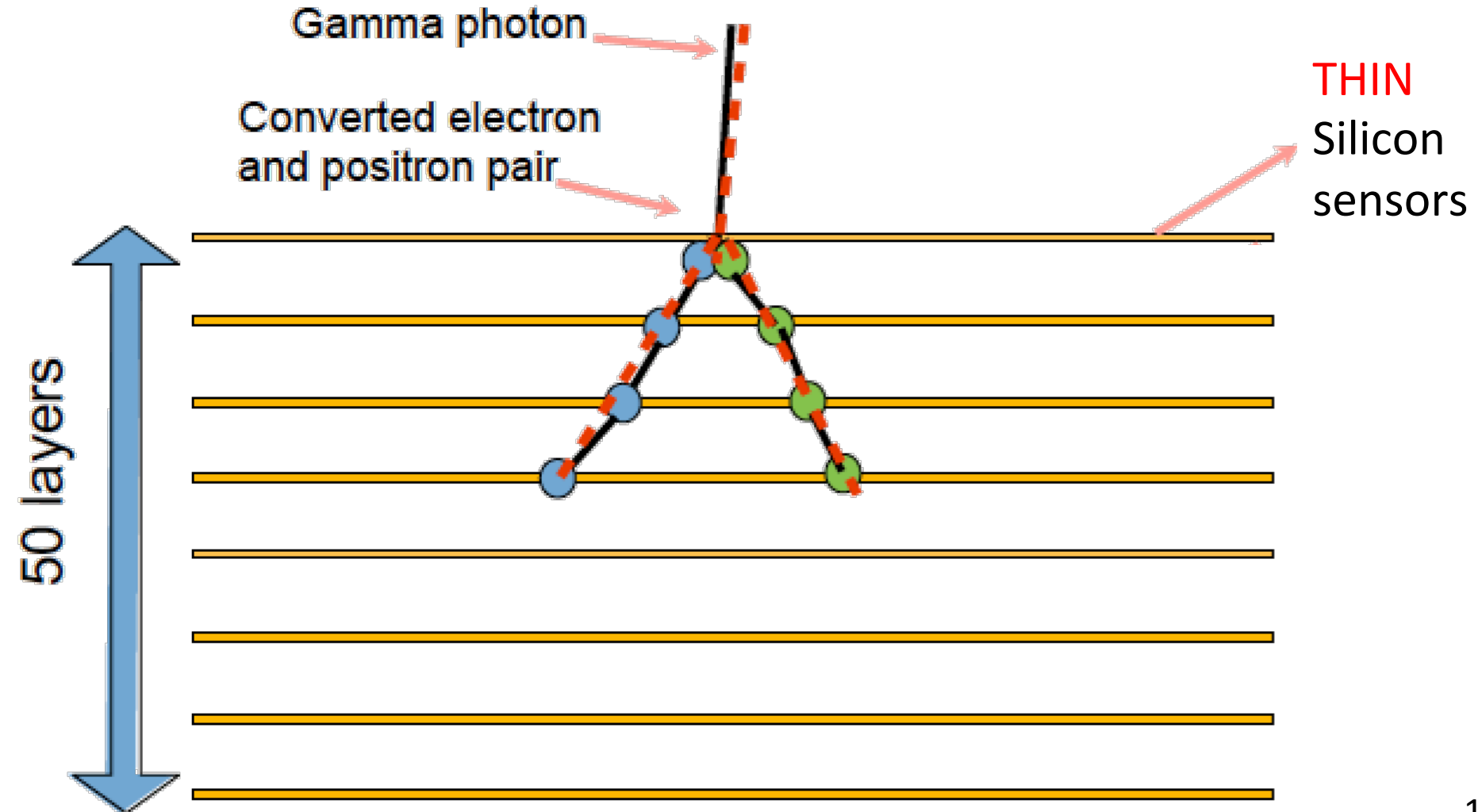
# Detection principle



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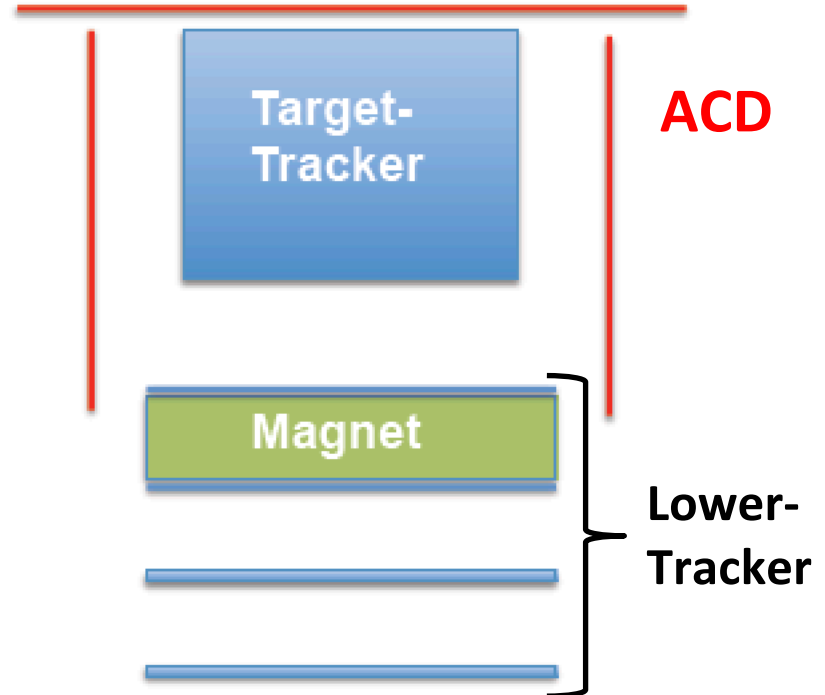


# Detection principle: PANGU!



# PANGU Proposed Detector Layout

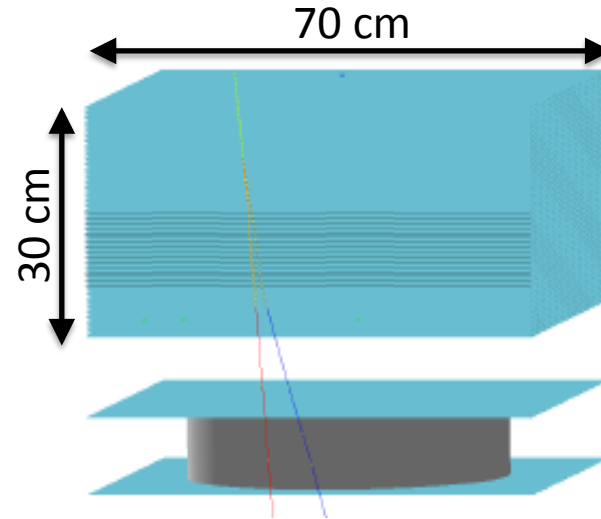
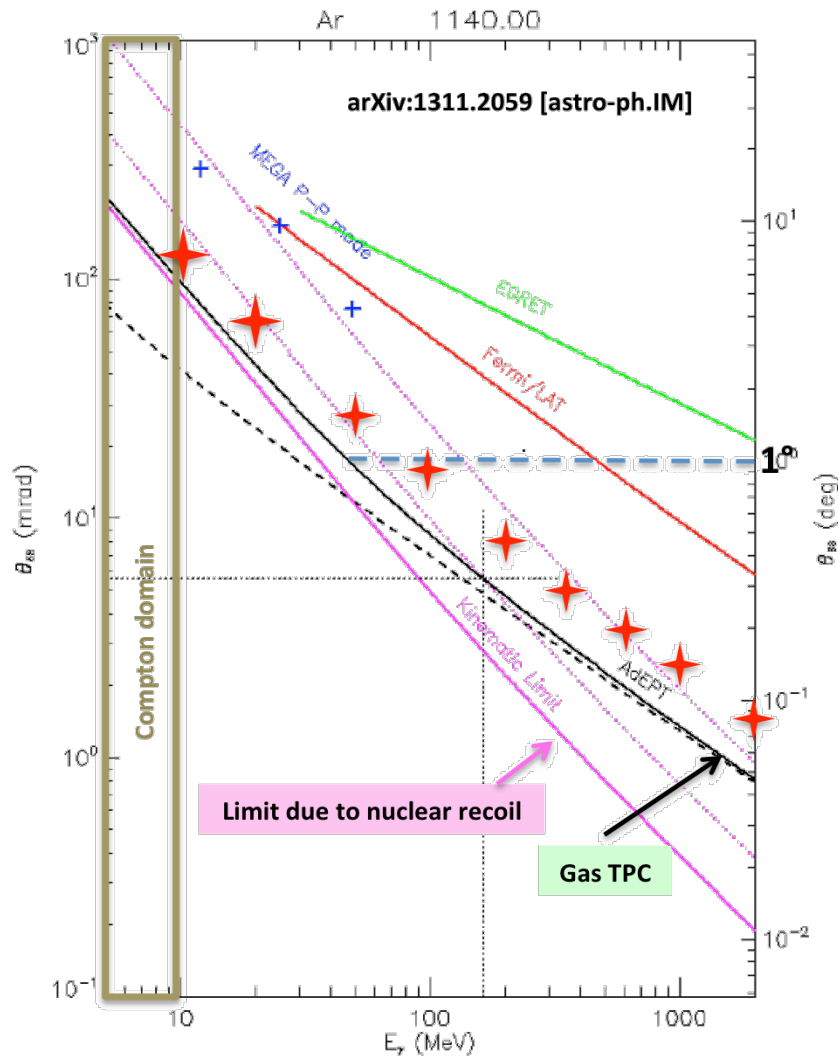
- ✓ Minimum passive material and active material thin to achieve an angular resolution  $<1^\circ$
- ✓ Many layers or large volume to increase effective area
- ✓ No calorimeter, to keep weight under **100 kg**



3 sub-system: target-tracker, magnet+lower tracker, Anti-Coincidence

- ❑ Target-tracker (TT): 50 Silicon layer,  $\sim 40 \times 40 \times 40 \text{ cm}^3$
- ❑ Magnet (M):  $r_2 = 26 \text{ cm}$ ,  $r_1 = 25 \text{ cm}$ , height 10 cm,  $B = 0.1 \text{ T}$
- ❑ Lower tracker (LT): 2 X-layers, 2 X-Y layers,  $\sim 10 \text{ cm}$  inter-layer space
- ❑ Anti-Coincidence Detector (ACD) on 5 sides

# PANGU telescope angular resolution

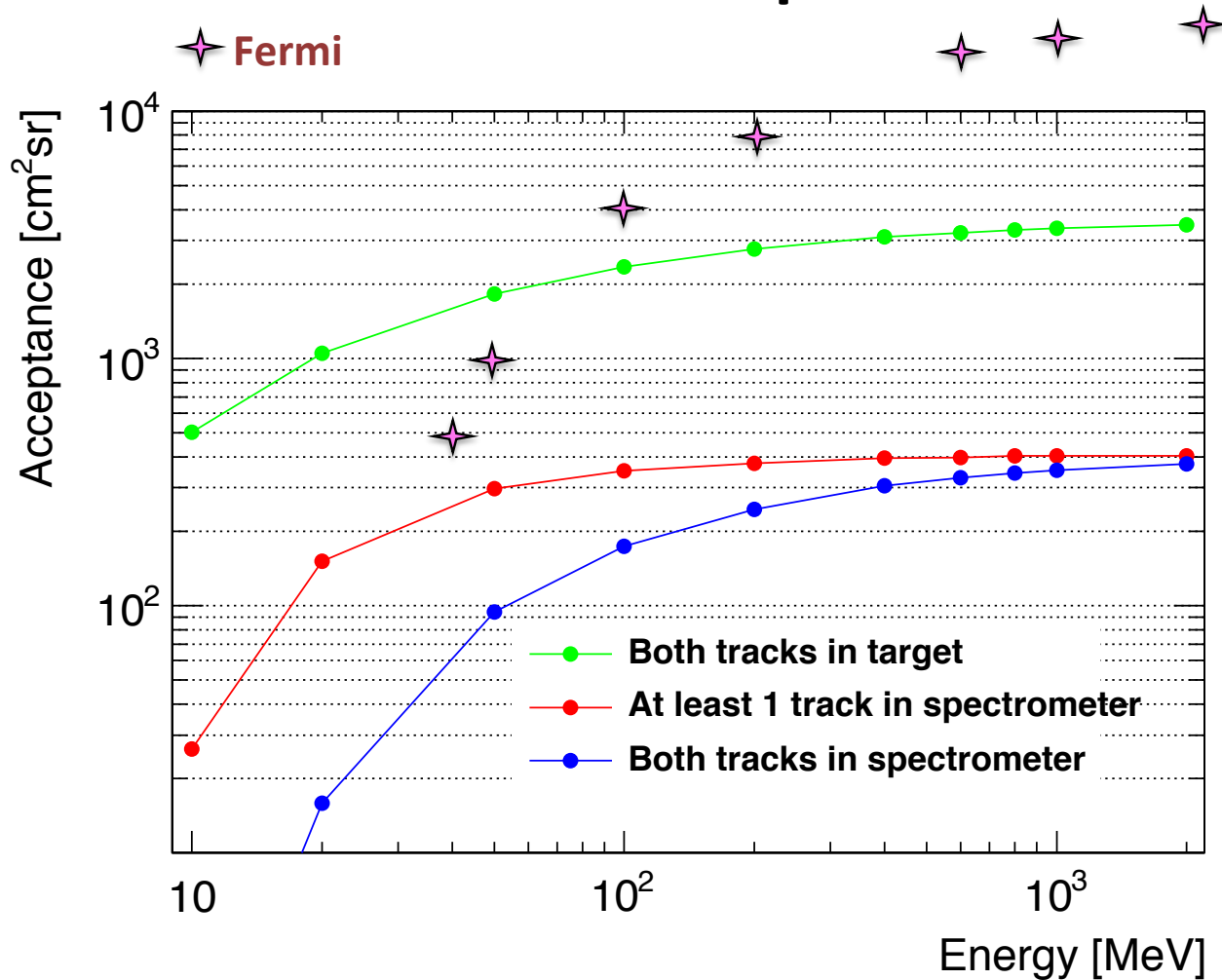


Geant4 “fast” Monte Carlo (MC) simulation:

- 150  $\mu\text{m}$  Si detector;
- 242  $\mu\text{m}$  pitch  
 $\rightarrow$  70  $\mu\text{m}$  resolution simulated  
 (very conservative:  
     35  $\mu\text{m}$  resolution @ 242  $\mu\text{m}$   
     10  $\mu\text{m}$  resolution @ 110  $\mu\text{m}$   
     easily achievable)

$\rightarrow$  results very preliminary and to be confirmed with a dedicated and reliable MC

# PANGU acceptance

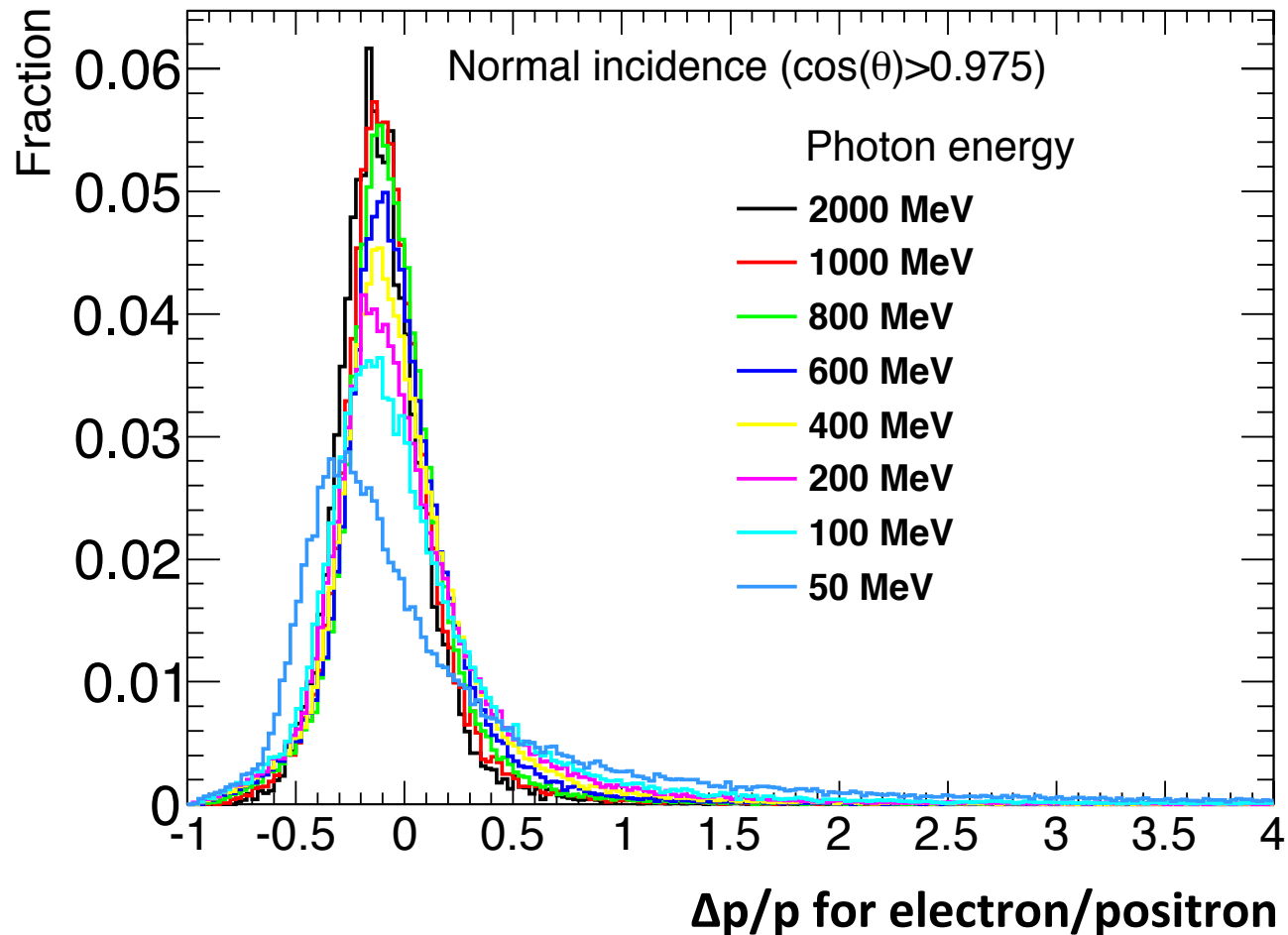


Acceptance is small for a <100Kg mission,  
but the design can be easily up-scaled for heavier payloads



# Photon energy resolution

For normal incidence ( $\cos(\theta) > 0.975$ ), both tracks in the lower tracker



A 20-30% resolution in [0.1-1] GeV easily reachable

# Pangu Optimization and eXperimental verification: Objectives

Design optimization of a PANGU-like detector

- detailed Monte Carlo (MC) detector simulation
  - minimize the PSF: trade off between high detection efficiency (thick tracker detector) and low multiple scattering effects (thin tracker detector)

Experimental verification of a PANGU-like demonstrator

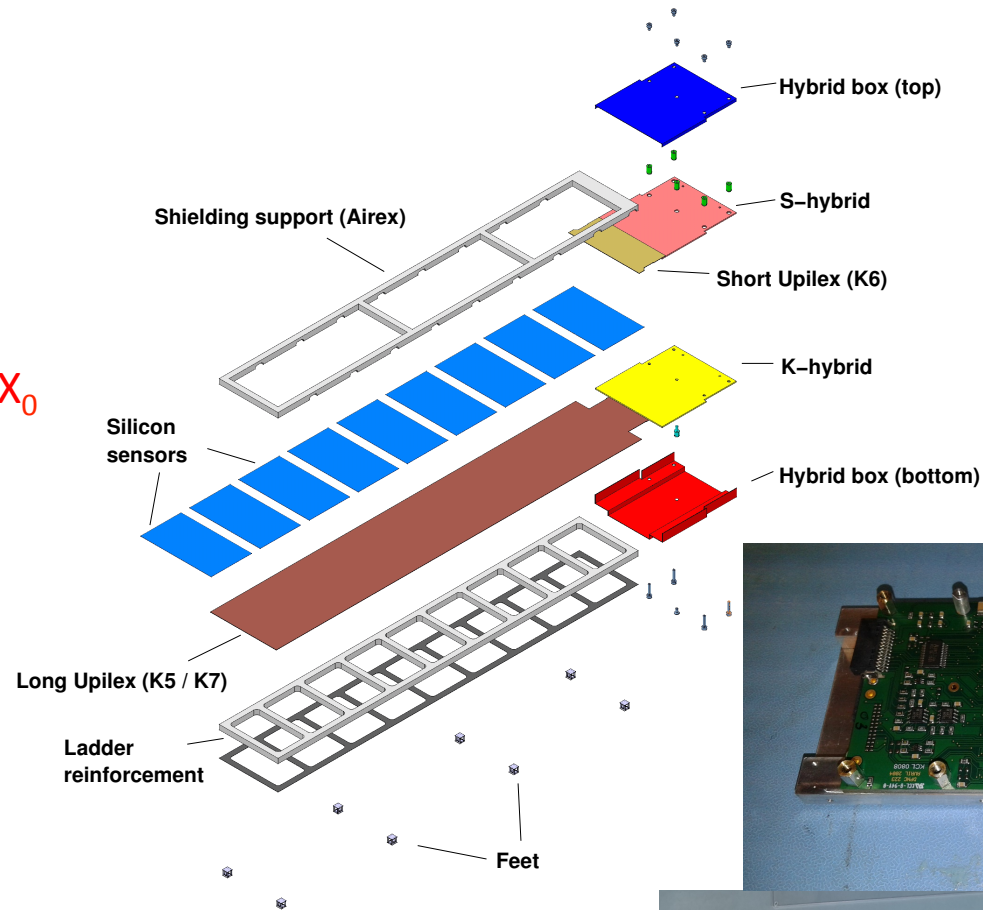
- beam test with tagged photons
  - validation of MC simulation with a demonstrator and a tagged photon beam
  - design and construction of new silicon tracking unit with optimal thickness
  - experimental measurement of the “final” figures of merit of the optimized demonstrator

# Available resources

- computing power to run the simulation code and for the data analysis (UniSS and INFN-UniPG);
- 7 AMS-02 spare silicon sensors;
- AMS-02 silicon detector spare Front-End hybrids;
- clean room with equipment for silicon sensors testing and assembly;
- cylindrical permanent magnet with uniform B-field (0.05T);
- 5(+3) researchers + 3 technicians

# AMS-02 microstrip silicon sensors

- 7(+2) AMS-02 spare microstrip silicon sensors
- resolution:  $10\mu\text{m}/30\mu\text{m}$
- size:  $7 \times [4-48] \text{ cm}^2$
- thickness:  $300\mu\text{m}$   $\rightarrow$  one sensor accounts for  $0.3\% X_0$  (i.e.  $3 mX_0$  or  $3mRL$ )

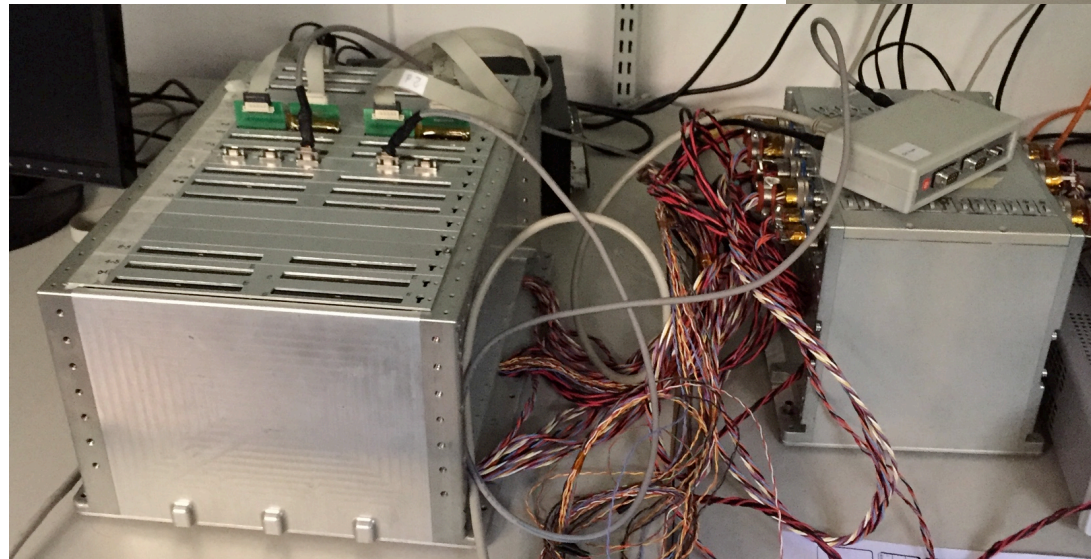
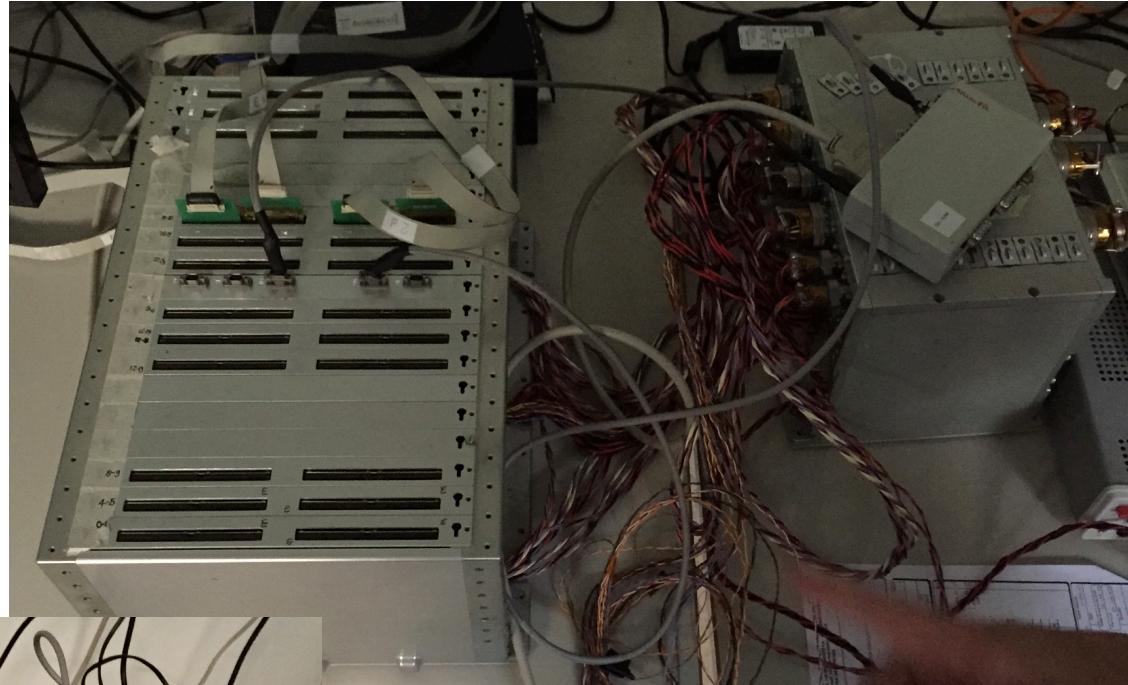


One of the “in kind” contribution given for the project is constituted by several spare part and modules built for the AMS-02 Silicon Tracker

# AMS-02 DAQ

## AMS "TCrate":

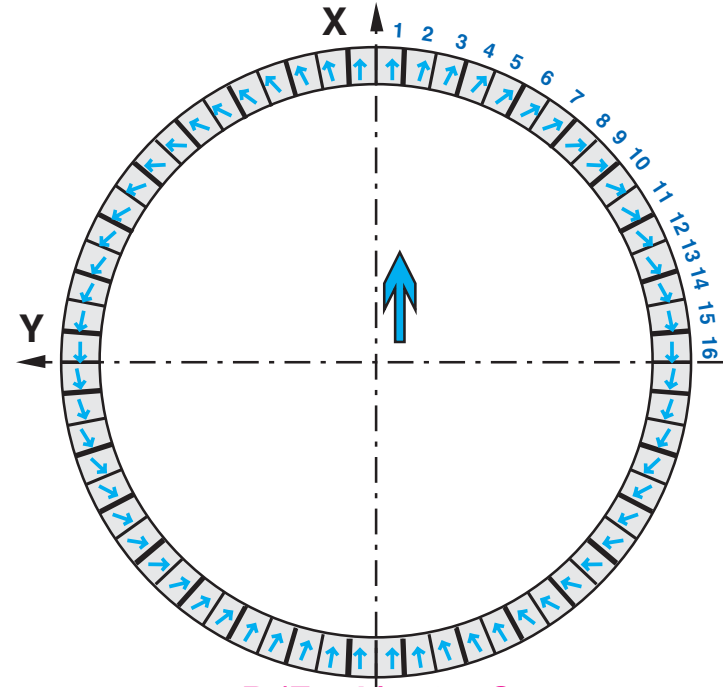
- up to 24 TDR's (i.e. silicon sensors)
- up to  $\sim 2$  khz of rate
- busy management
- DAQ sw already implemented
- Analysis routines already implemented



We have 2 complete setups:  
up to 48 silicon sensors

# “AMS-like” small magnet

The PANGU spectrometer is based on a permanent magnet designed to provide a  $\sim$ uniform field similar to the AMS02 magnet

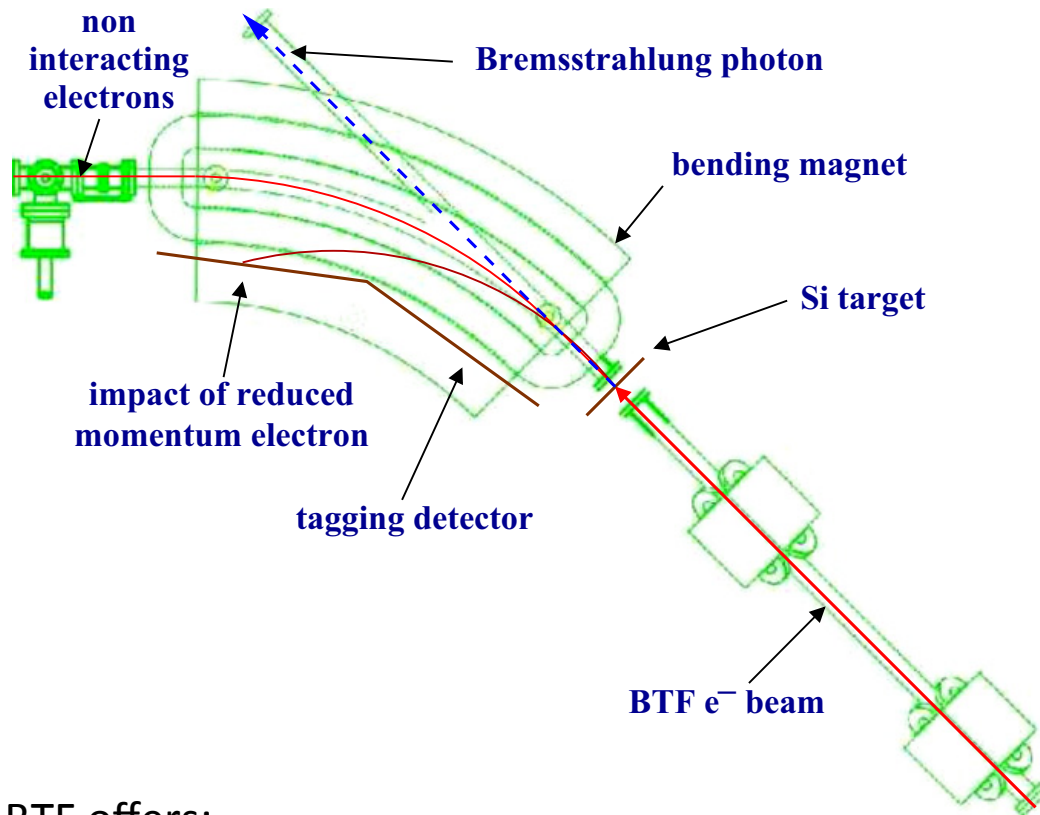


A small version of the AMS magnet was built and used in few BT's:

- 18 cm length
- 14 cm diameter
- 0.05 T (half of PANGU design)
- 5 Kg

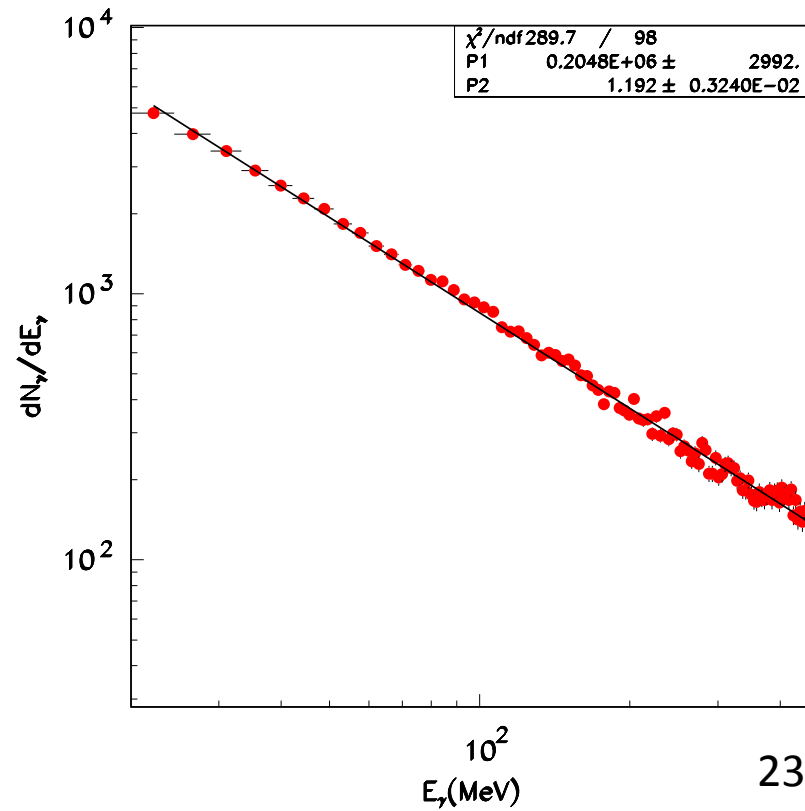


# Tagged photon beam @ BTF



Beam Test Facility @INFN-Frascati is the “natural” choice for the experimental verification of the merit figures of the demonstrator.

Has been used to validate, for example, AGILE



BTF offers:

- tagged photon beam;
- photons produced by brems in 30-750 MeV range;
- tunable photon multiplicity;
- partially polarized beam (still to be confirmed);

# Project phases

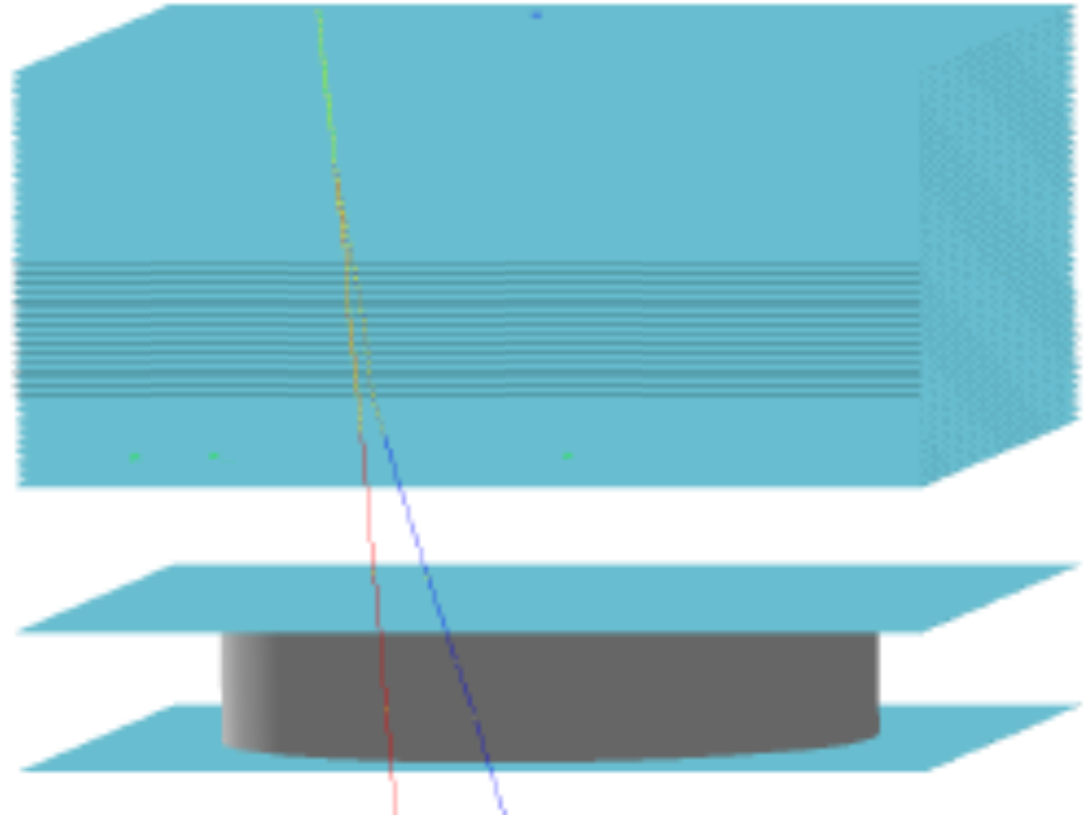


# MC development (phase 1)

A reliable custom *MC software* (based on *Geant4*) will be developed during the *phase 1* of the project.

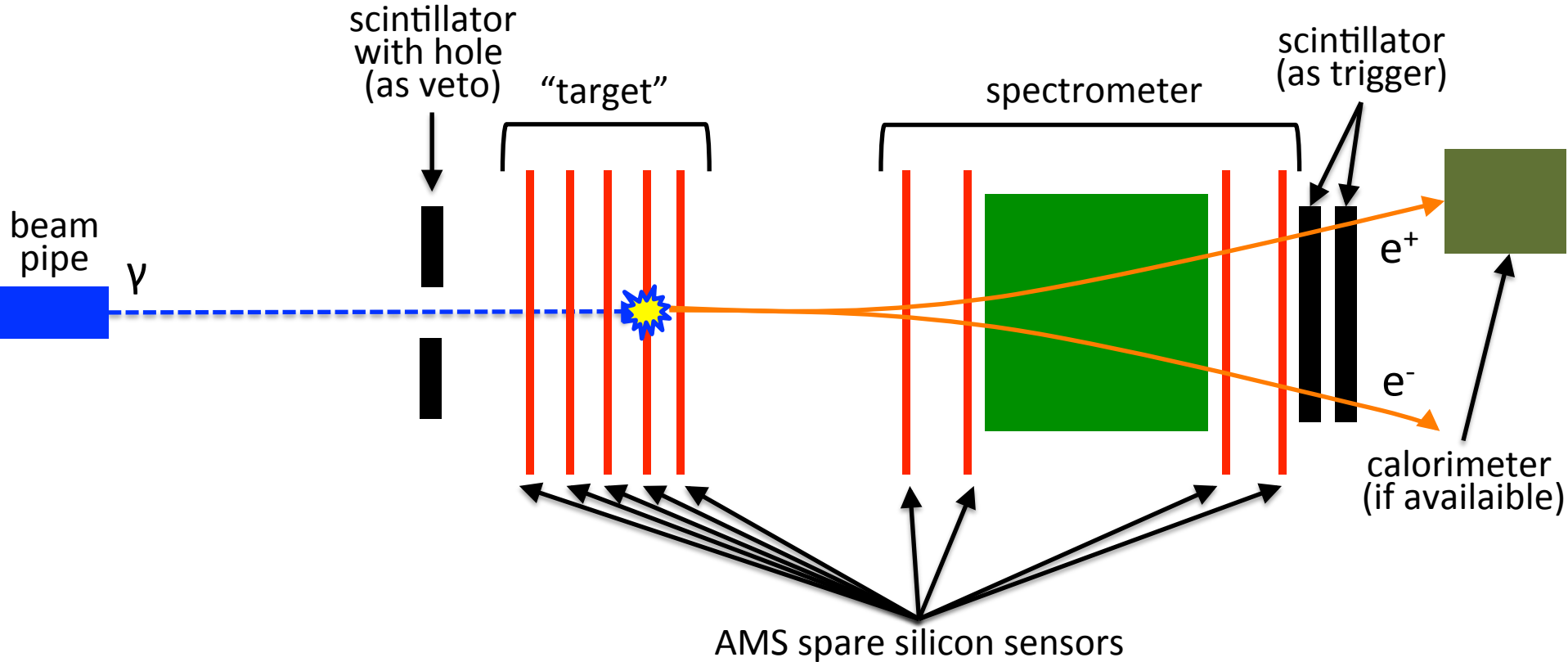
The *sw* will allow to:

- simulate the physical process
- predict the figures of merit of the detector
  - angular resolution
  - polarization measurement capability
  - energy resolution



→ this will allow to “plug” different detector geometries and, moreover, sensor thickness to improve the design

# Beam Test (phase 2)



- last 4 silicon sensors are needed for the spectrometer
- pair-conversion can happen in any of the previous silicon sensors (3 guaranteed, 5 possible)
- the "true" incidence angle of the photon can be known with 1mrad accuracy if the beam pipe window is  $\sim$  cm, at 10m distance (if unknown divergence!)

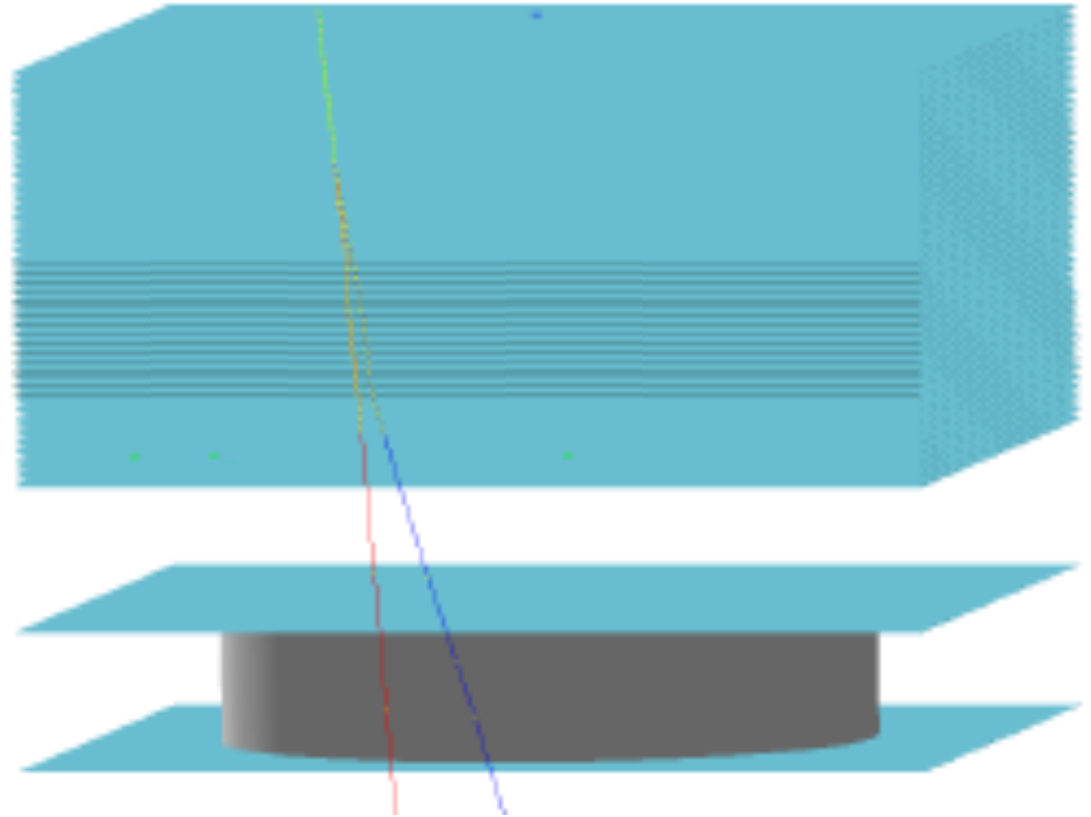
# MC validation thickness optimization (phase 3)

After the analysis of the data collected at the Beam Test:

- the MC sw is validated;
- any discrepancy between real data and simulation are understood and tuned.

→ the MC sw is reliable;

→ we can “play” with the thickness of the sensors and the detector geometry to optimize the layout.



# New silicon sensors to be built (phase 4)

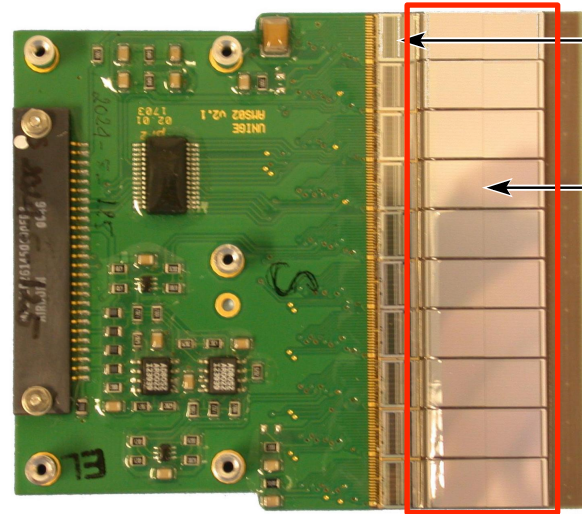
- ???  $\mu\text{m}$
- $9.5 \times 9.5 \text{ cm}^2$
- 640 (S), 640 (K) canali
- pitch  $150 \mu\text{m}$  (S),  $150 \mu\text{m}$  (K)
- resolution  $15 \mu\text{m}$  (S),  $20 \mu\text{m}$  (K)
- no multiplicity

Once the optimal “thickness” has been determined, we plan to build new microstrip silicon sensors:

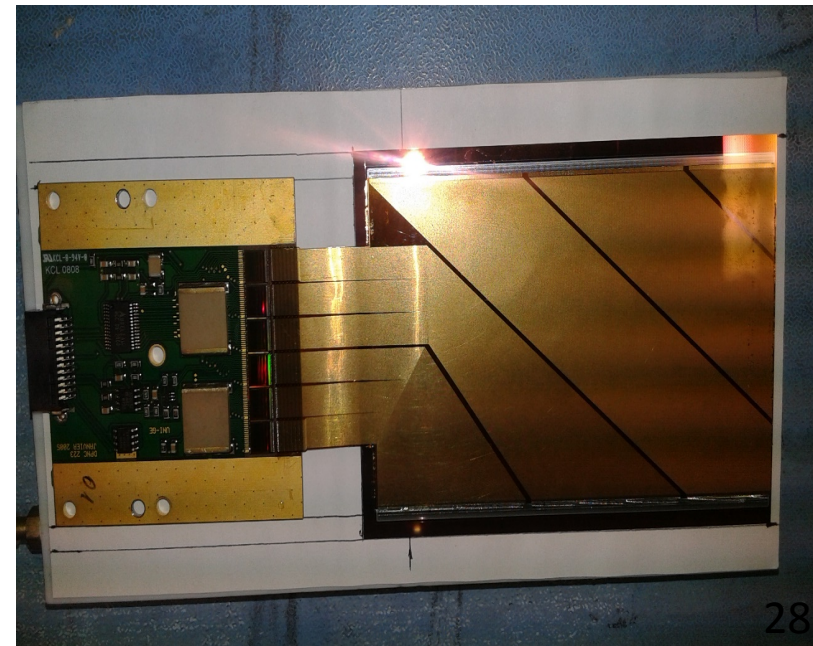
- the silicon batch production at the foundry has a fixed cost  $\rightarrow$  10 sensors is the minimum number
- 10 square sensors, with  $\sim 150 \mu\text{m}$  pitch, require 200 VA's

$\rightarrow$  the important costs to be sustained for the project are:

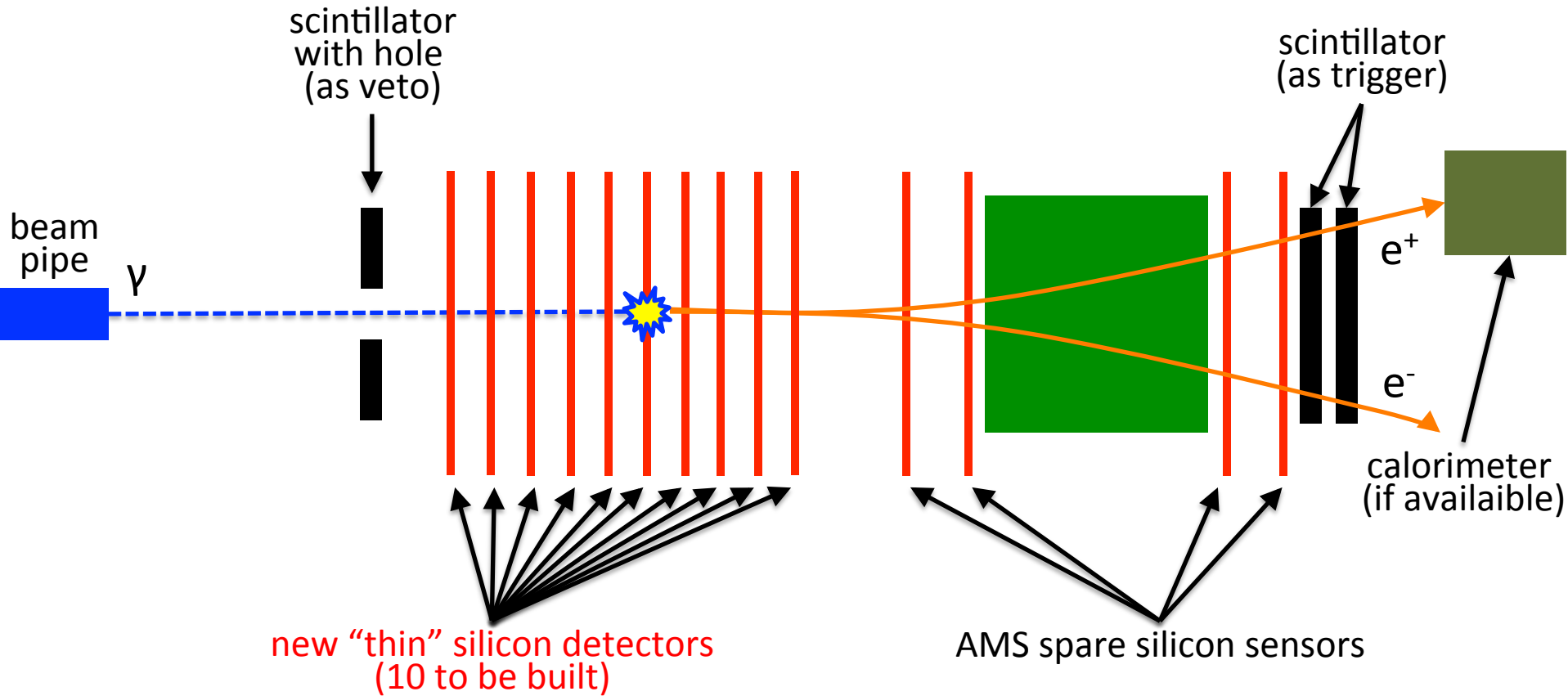
- the batch production of the 10 silicon sensors (not function of their number)
- the 200 VA's to be bought



Preamplifier-shaper ASICs, VA  
Each VA reads 64 micro-strips



# Beam Test (phase 5)

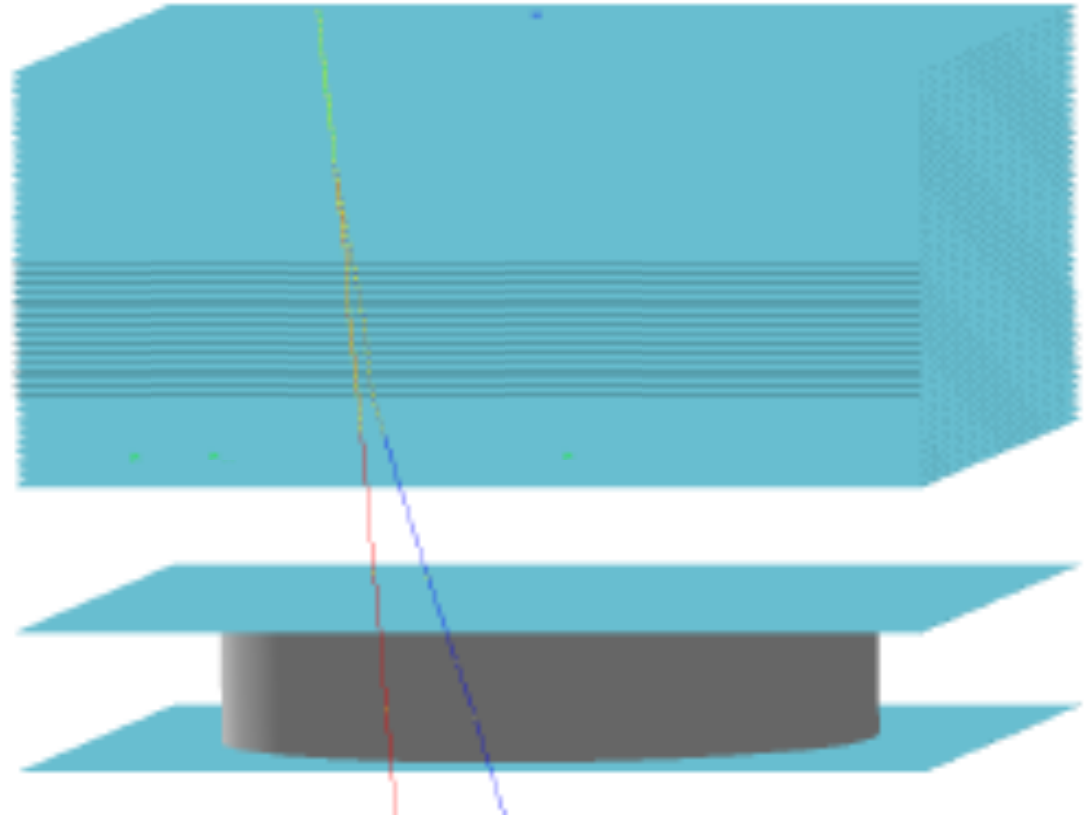


- last 4 silicon sensors are needed for the spectrometer
- pair-conversion can happen in any of the previous silicon sensors (10 new "thin", to be built)
- the "true" incidence angle of the photon can be known with 1mrad accuracy if the beam pipe window is  $\sim$  cm, at 10m distance

# MC finalization and release (phase 6)

After the analysis of the data of the second Beam Test:

- the MC sw is completely validated;
  - the PANGU measurement technique has been proven;
- we can “release” the MC sw;
- we can “play” with the detector geometry to “tailor” it to respond to particular call for missions;



# Work Package Organization

WP1: Project Management – UniSS, UniPG-INFN

WP1.1 Organization of periodic Collaboration Meeting

WP1.2 Preparation of reports and documentation for report meeting to INAF/ASI

WP1.3 Monitoring of project status

WP1.4 Management of problems and opportunity

WP2: Detector Simulation and data analysis - UniSS, UniPG-INFN

WP2.1 Implementation of demonstrator

WP2.2 Characterization of detector unit

WP2.3 Validation of MC simulation with test beam data

# Working Package Organization

WP3: Test beam activity – UniPG-INFN, UniSS

WP3.1 Assembly of detectors for the beam test

WP3.2 Equipment shipping

WP3.3 Beam test campaign management

WP4: Design and construction of a new prototype – UniPG-INFN, UniSS

WP4.1 Design of new detector unit

WP4.2 Construction of new detector unit

WP4.3 Test of new detector unit

WP5: Result dissemination – UniSS, UniPG-INFN

WP5.1 Publication on international scientific journals

WP5.2 Presentation of results and deliverables to International Conferences and Workshops



# Project time evolution

	Year 1												Year 2											
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
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# Costs

<input type="checkbox"/> Personnel (1 fellowship + 1 post-graduated grant)	32k€
<input type="checkbox"/> 2 laptops + 2 workstations	7k€
<input type="checkbox"/> Microstrip Si sensor production (10 sensors)	50k€
<input type="checkbox"/> ASIC VA for front-end electronics (200 VA)	30k€
<input type="checkbox"/> Mechanics and consumable for test beam campaign	10k€
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<input type="checkbox"/> Conference participation	10k€

Total    163.8k€

# Deliverables

- reliable MC tool to simulate the physical process and the detector layout;
- 10 complete sensor prototypes with optimal thickness;
- PANGU-like demonstrator and test “infrastructure” for the experimental verification (mechanical structures, front-end electronics, DAQ system, data handling and first data analysis)
- dissemination: publications on international referred journals and contribution at international conferences

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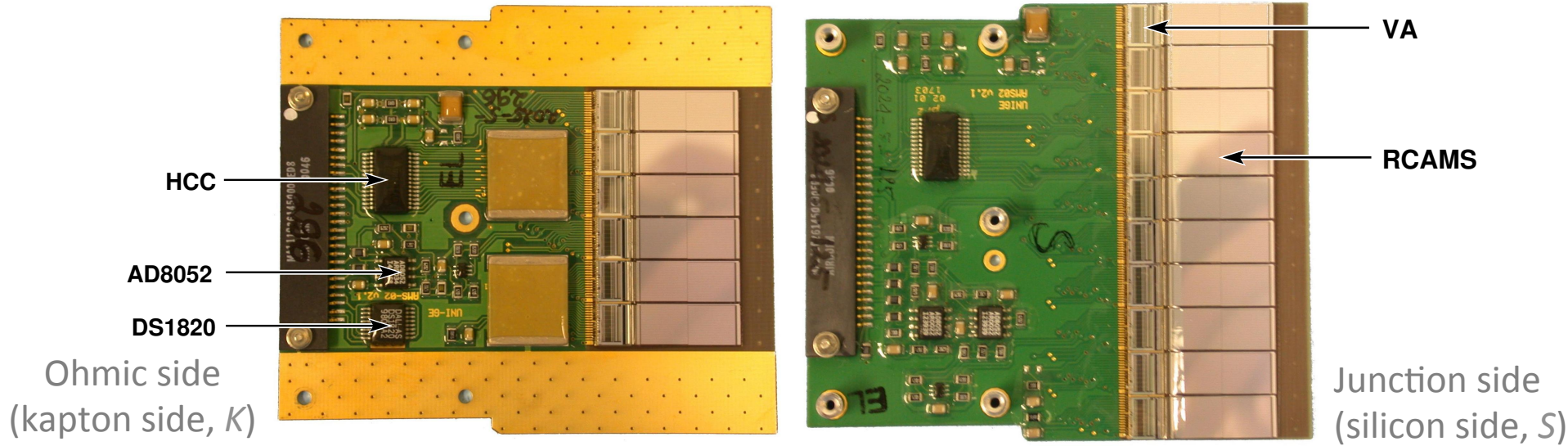
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TPC in  $\gamma$ -ray astronomy:

<https://arxiv.org/abs/1211.1534> arXiv:1211.1534v1 [astro-ph.IM]

Backup

# AMS-02 Front End (“hybrids”)



We can “copy and paste” the AMS-02 Front End circuit:

- **preamplifier-shaper ASICs, VA** (*this is the expensive part of the hybrid*). Each VA reads 64 micro-strips;
- VA digital control sequence circuit, HCC;
- coupling capacitor pad, RCAMS (can be easily removed if silicon already in DC);
- operational amplifier to send a differential signal to the ADC board (TDR), AD8052;
- ~~a temperature sensor, DS1820;~~
- two versions: “grounded” for the junction side and “floating” the ohmic, biased, side. Up to 10 VA’s per side;

# AMS-02 spare sensors

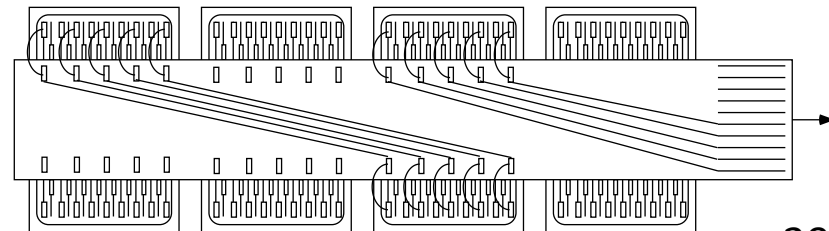
## “AMS”:

- 300  $\mu\text{m}$
- 7\*48  $\text{cm}^2$
- 640 (S), 384 (K) canali
- pitch 110  $\mu\text{m}$  (S), 208  $\mu\text{m}$  (K)
- resolution 10  $\mu\text{m}$  (S), 30  $\mu\text{m}$  (K)
- multiplicity on Kapton side

We have 2 sensors of this kind.



Being “long” (at least in one coordinate) they can cover a large angle even if positioned far, to increase the lever arm. To be used to the “external” telescope.

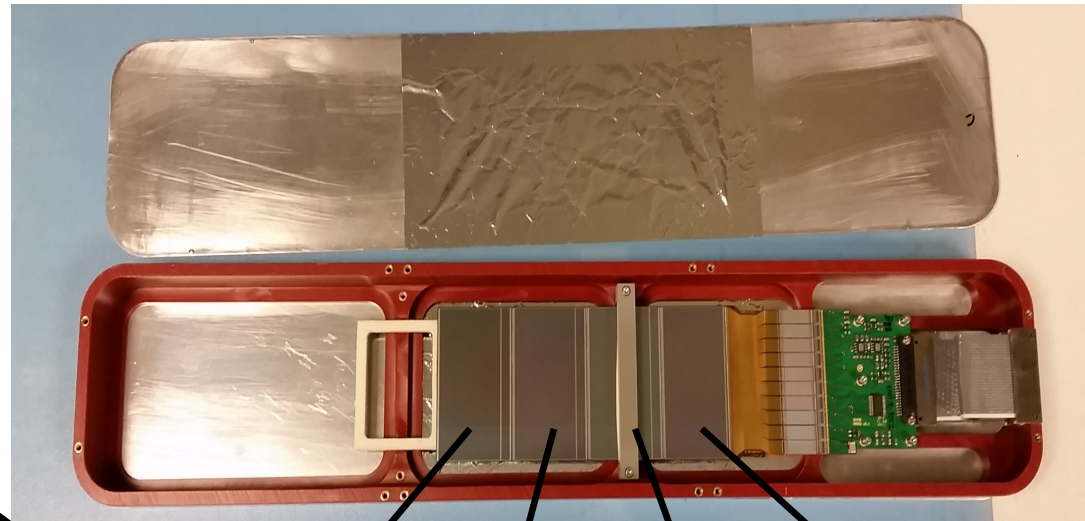


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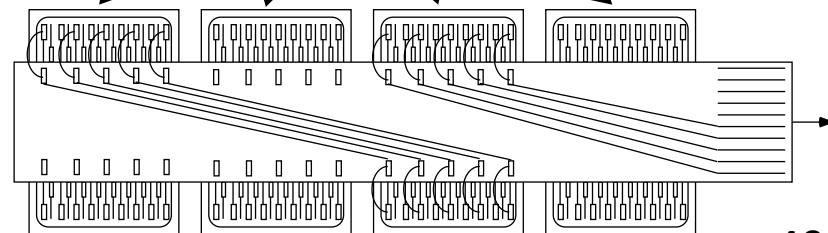
## “AMS-short”:

- 300  $\mu\text{m}$
- 7\*16  $\text{cm}^2$
- 640 (S), 384 (K) canali
- pitch 110  $\mu\text{m}$  (S), 208  $\mu\text{m}$  (K)
- resolution 10  $\mu\text{m}$  (S), 30  $\mu\text{m}$  (K)
- multiplicity on Kapton side

We have 3 sensors of this kind.



These sensors are smaller than the previous one, but still cover a large angle. Can be used for the external telescope or under test in phase 1.





# AMS-02 spare sensors

## “AMS-mini”:

- 300  $\mu\text{m}$
- 7\*4  $\text{cm}^2$
- 640 (S), 384 (K) canali
- pitch 110  $\mu\text{m}$  (S), 104  $\mu\text{m}$  (K)
- resolution 10  $\mu\text{m}$  (S), 15  $\mu\text{m}$  (K)
- no multiplicity

These sensors are small, so cannot be used far from the detector under test.

They are more accurate w.r.t. the previous one so can improve the overall telescope resolution.

They can be the detectors under test in phase 1.

We have 2 sensors of this kind, but we have the material to build another 1 or 2



# Beam Test (phase 2)

- distance between two sensors of the “tracker-converter”:

$$30\mu\text{m}/3\text{cm} = 1\mu\text{m}/1\text{mm} = 10^{-3} \rightarrow 1 \text{ mrad}$$

- spectrometer resolution with 1 GeV photons ( $\rightarrow$  500 MeV of  $e^{+/-}$ ), 0.2m lever arm and 10cm distance between the two sensor of each pair, 0.05T magnetic field and 15 $\mu\text{m}$  spatial resolution:

$$\sigma_p/p = p(\text{GeV}) / (0.3 \text{ B(T)} L(\text{m})) \cdot 2 \sigma_x/d =$$

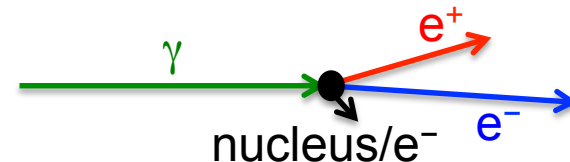
$$(5 \cdot 10^2 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ GeV}) / (0.3 \cdot 0.05\text{T} \cdot 0.2\text{m}) \cdot (2 \cdot 15 \cdot 10^{-6}\text{m} / 10^{-1}\text{m}) =$$

$$5 \cdot 10^2 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot 3 \cdot 10 \cdot 10^{-6} / 3 \cdot 10^{-1} \cdot 5 \cdot 10^{-2} \cdot 2 \cdot 10^{-1} \cdot 10^{-1} = 10^{-6} / 2 \cdot 10^{-5} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 10^{-1} = 0.5 \cdot 10^{-1} = 5 \cdot 10^{-2} = 5\% = \sigma_p/p$$

- 300m of air =  $1X_0 \rightarrow$  3m or air =  $1\%X_0$  (i.e.  $\sim$  3 silicon detectors 300 $\mu\text{m}$  thick), so 10 mRL that on the AdEPT is indicated as the limit to not to be dominated by MS. 3m of air is  $>$  than the total experimental setup length (only the air between two consecutive measurements really matters)

# Angular resolution

- Angular resolution contributions
  - Nuclear recoil introduce  $\sim 0.3^\circ$  on angular resolution @100 MeV
  - Reconstruction of the pair (energy measurement) NIMA 701, 225-230
    - Best if energy of both tracks can be measure
    - If not normally use the direction of the leading (longest and straightest) track
      - Extra error  $\theta_{68}$  of  $\sim 0.65^\circ$  @ 100 MeV
  - Track angular resolution
    - Multiple scattering: For  $\theta_{MS} = 0.5^\circ$  @70 MeV, total material between 2 measurements should be less than  $0.33\% X_0$ !
      - 310 $\mu\text{m}$  Si, 1.3mm Fiber, 5.1cm Xe gas
    - Tracker nominal resolution:  $\sqrt{2}\sigma_x/d = 1.35^\circ$  for  $\sigma_x=100\mu\text{m}$ ,  $d=6\text{mm}$ 
      - Final resolution can approach  $1.15\times\theta_{MS}$  when using many ( $\sim 6$ ) measurement points



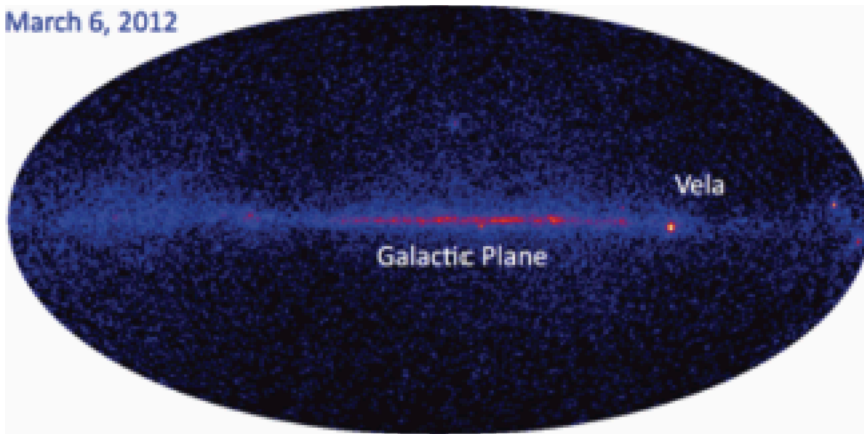
# Polarization capability and MS effect

In low- $Z$  material,  $Z \lesssim 30$ , gamma rays with energy below  $\sim 10$  MeV, are more likely to interact via Compton scattering than pair production, however, the intrinsic modulation factor of polarized gamma rays interacting via pair production is higher above  $\sim 2$  MeV, compared to Compton scattering and photo-electric absorption [26]. Thus, we are motivated to reduce the effective minimum energy of a pair telescope towards the threshold energy, to take advantage of the higher modulation factor. This requires that the direction of the electron and positron emanating from the pair vertex, which forms the basis of the gamma-ray direction and polarization determination, be measured in less than  $\sim 10$  mRL of material after which their directions are dominated by multiple Coulomb scattering (MCS) [25].

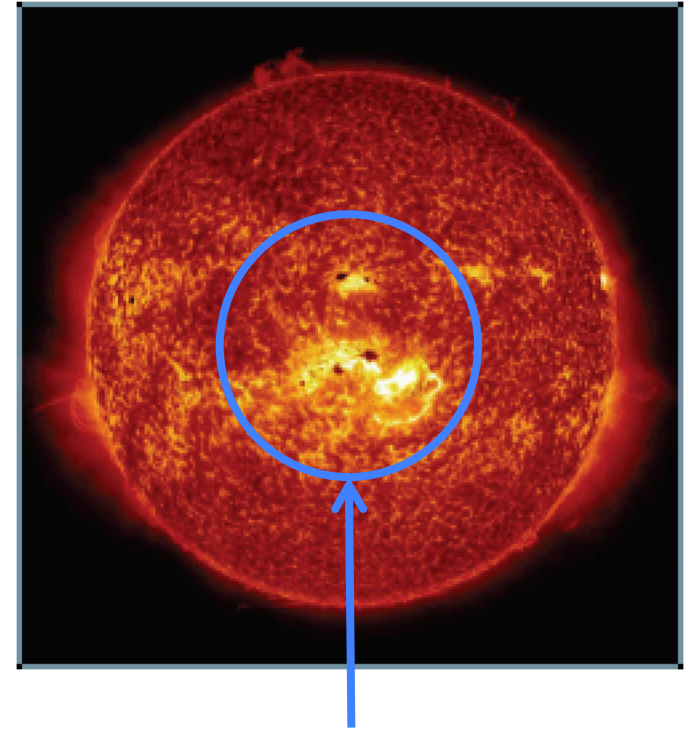
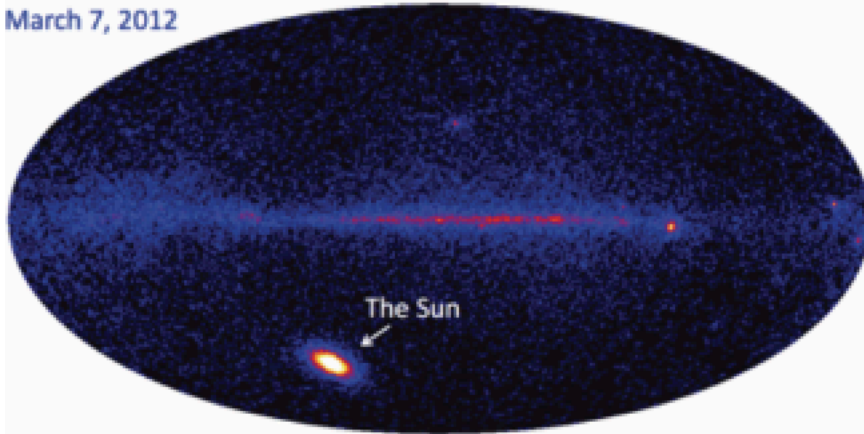
# $\gamma$ -ray Emission from Solar Flares

LAT 1 day all sky data  $> 100$  MeV

March 6, 2012



March 7, 2012

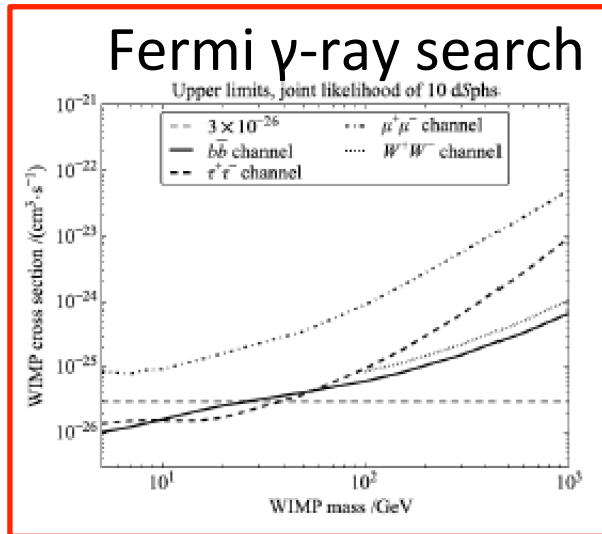


PANGU will resolve the flare in  $\gamma$ -ray

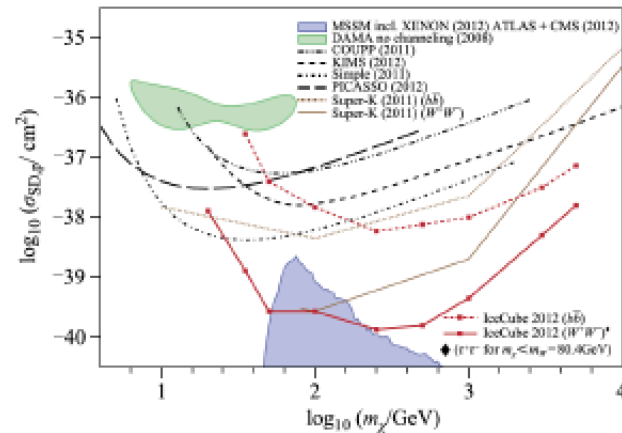
Bad PSF, Sun cannot be resolved  
→ no information on acceleration site

# Low Mass Dark Matter Search

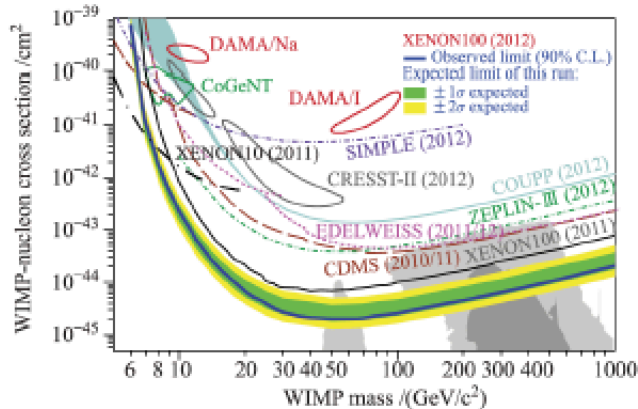
No missions are sensitive in the PANGU's energy range



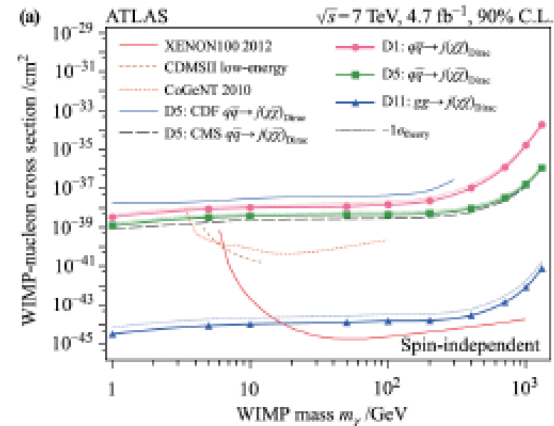
### IceCube neutrino search



### Direct detection search



### Collider DM search



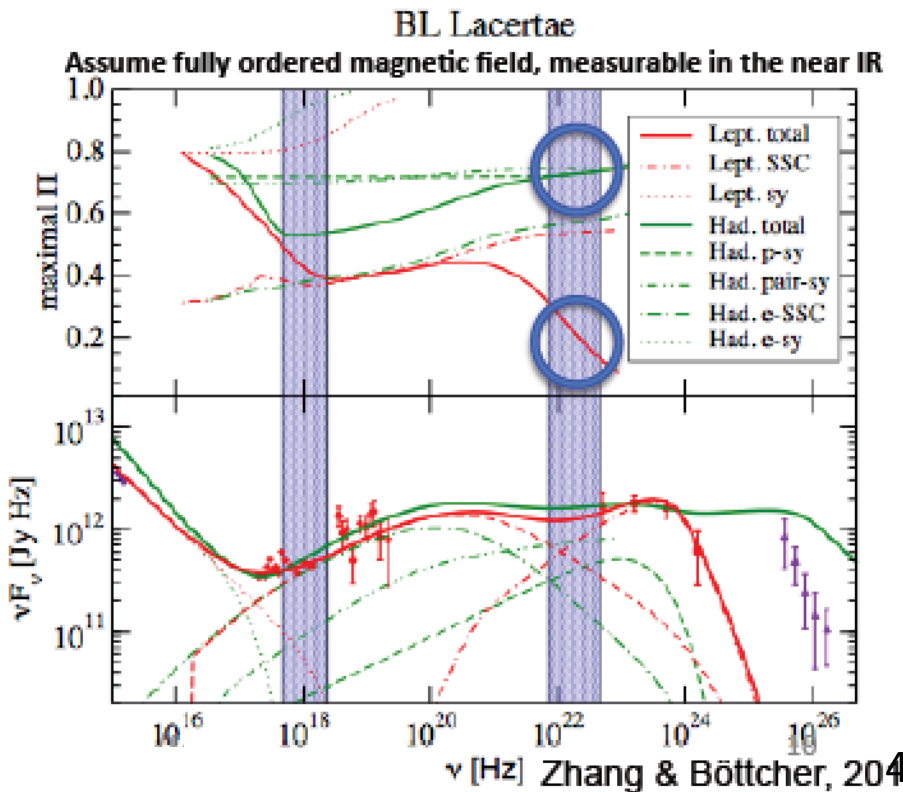
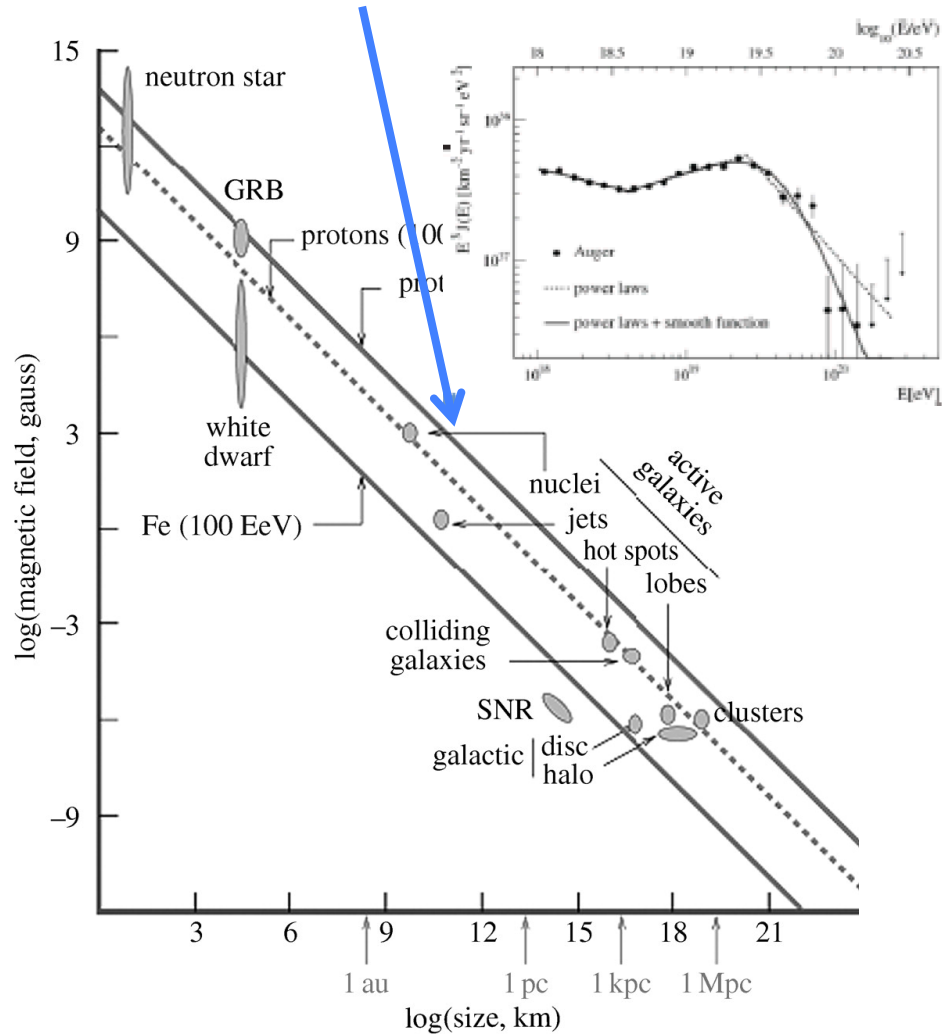
# Blazars and UHECR Origin

**Standard hypothesis: shocks in hadronic jets of Active Galactic Nuclei**

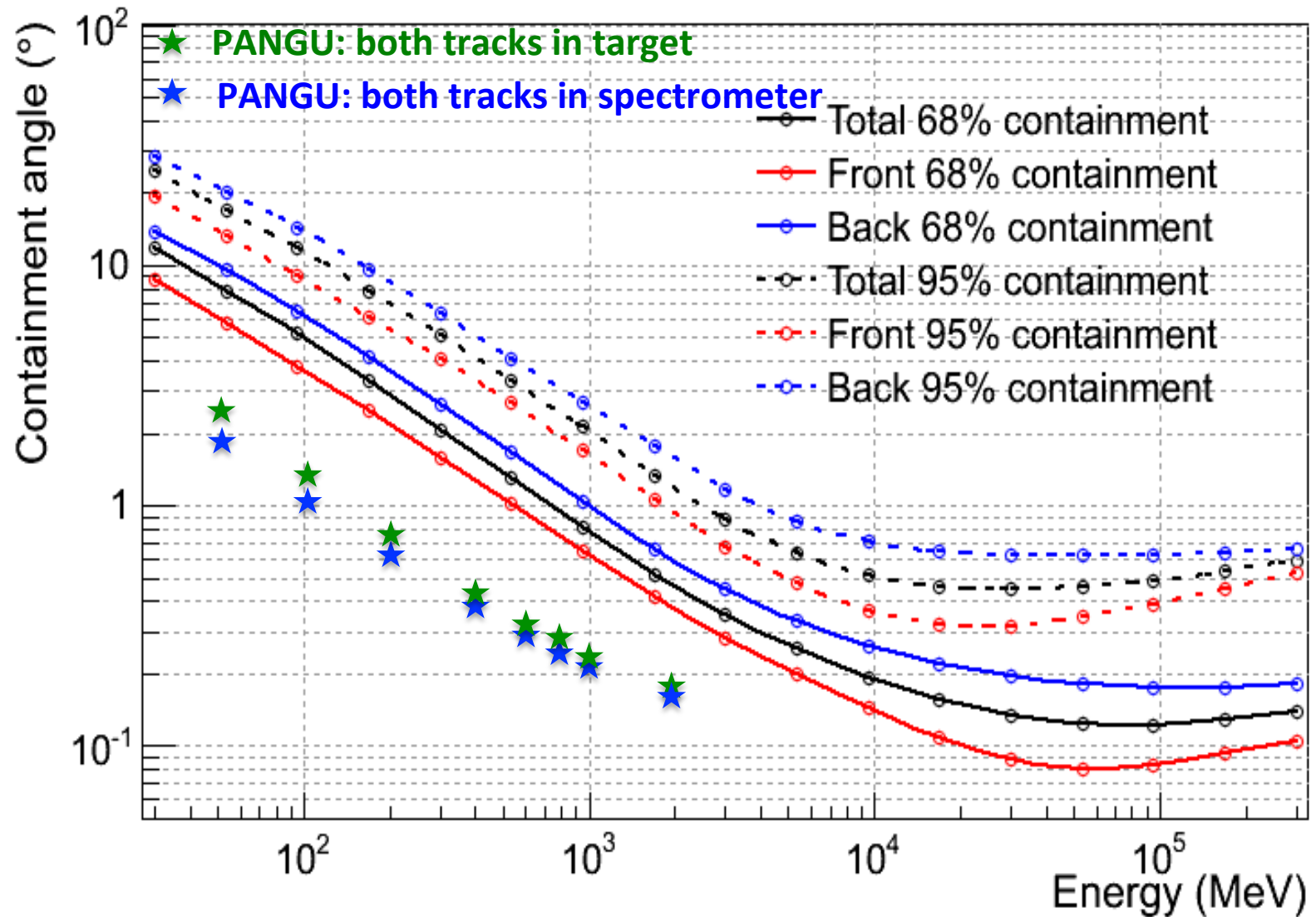
- Jet spectra can be reproduced by leptonic or hadronic models

- Only hadronic models predict neutrinos and high polarisation in sub GeV range.

⇒ PANGU observations of blazars flares

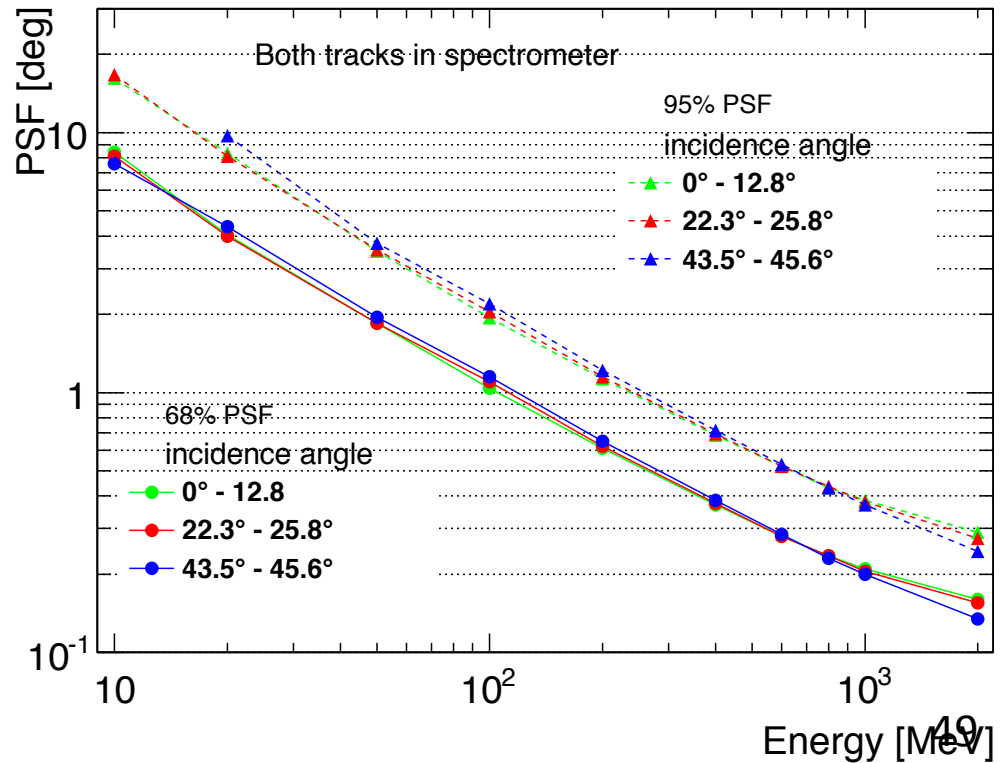
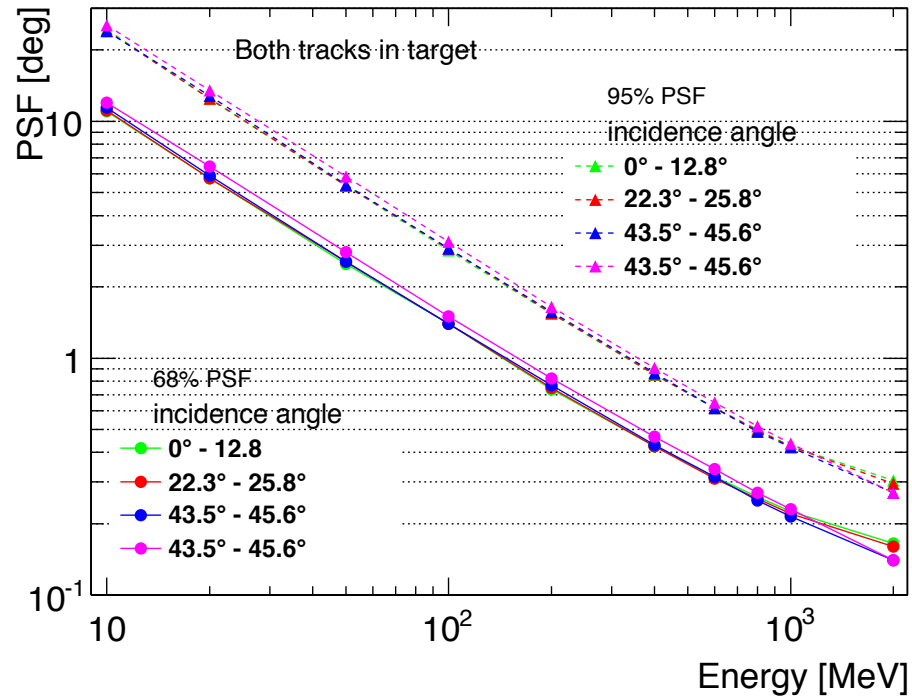


# PSF





# PSF vs Angle



# Polarization measurement

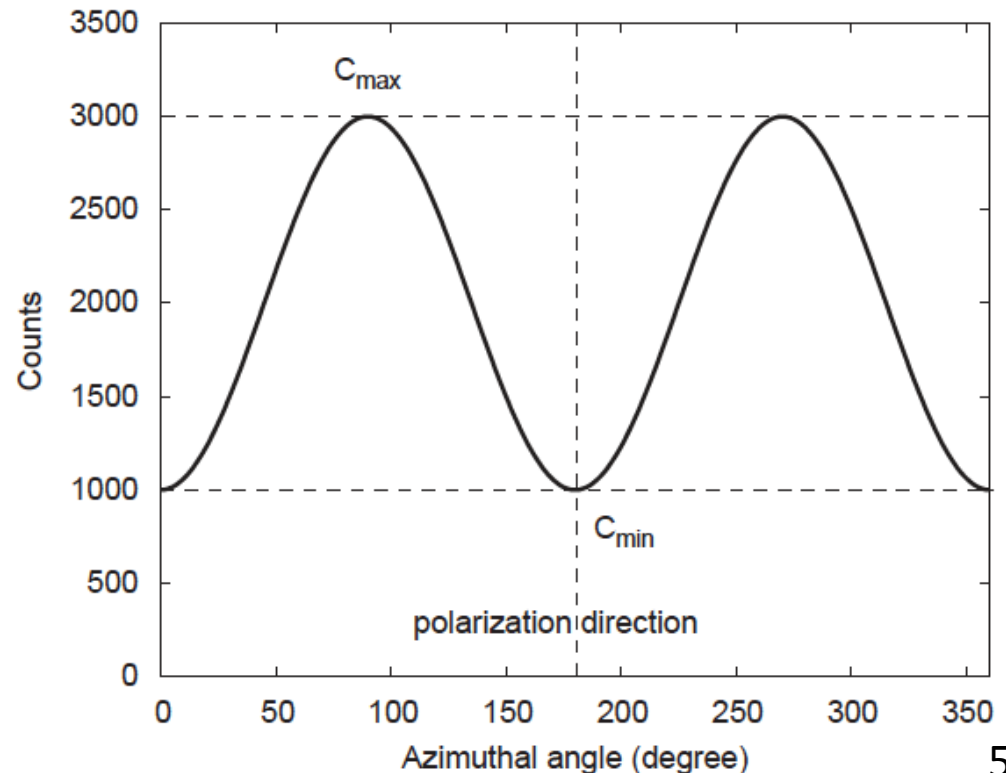
$$d\sigma/d\varphi = 2\pi\sigma_0 \left(1 + P_\gamma \cdot A \cdot \cos(2\varphi - 2\varphi_{pol})\right)$$

**Azimuthal angle distribution in the plane perpendicular to the  $\gamma$  direction**

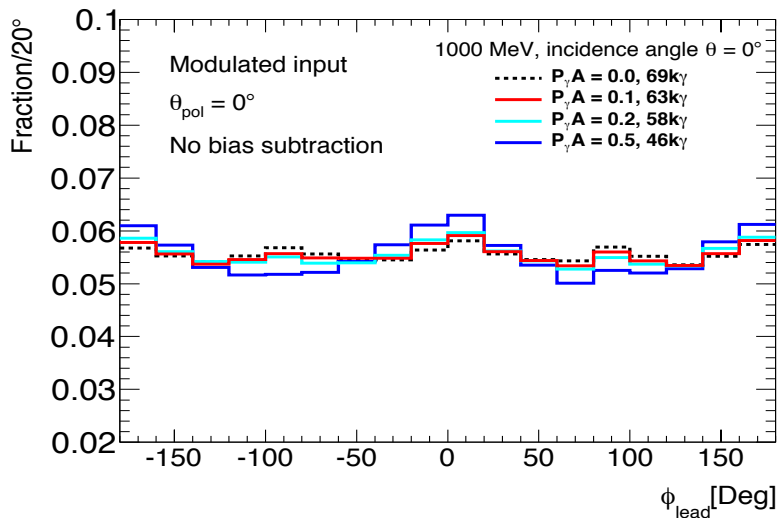
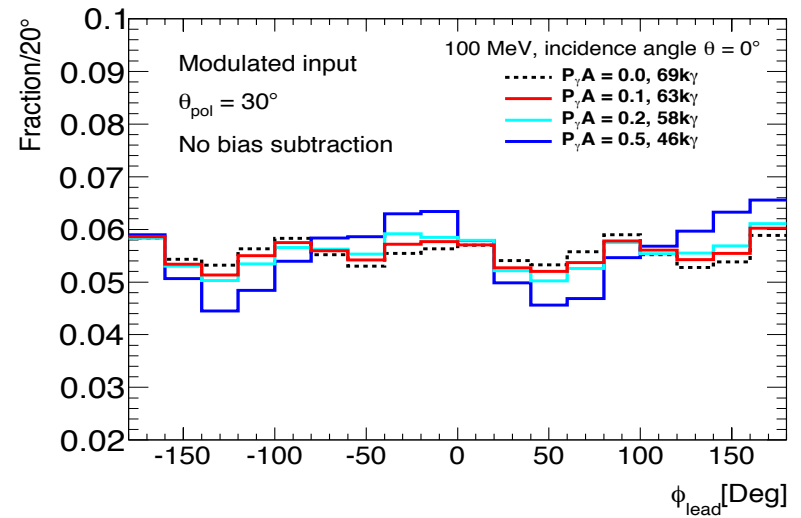
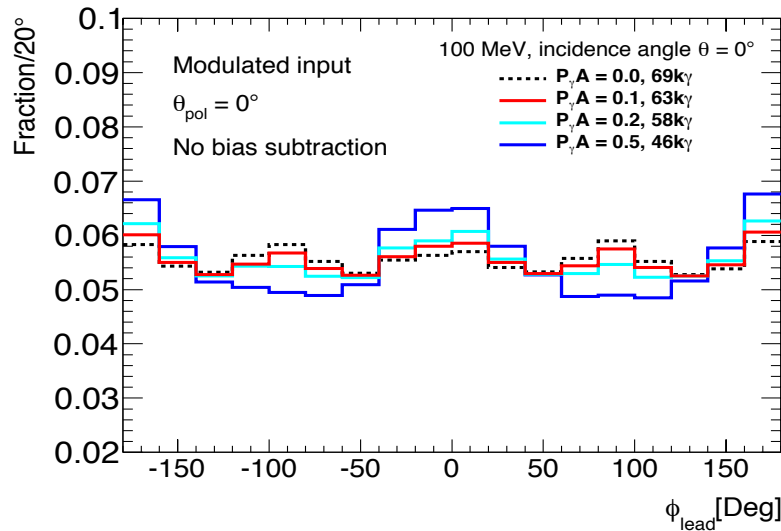
- $P_\gamma$ : degree of polarisation;  $\varphi_{pol}$ : polarisation direction
- $A$ : Analyzing power, average  $\sim 0.2$  for pair production (kinematic dependent)

The key merit figures that allow the polarization measurements are:

- the angular resolution
- the “uniformity” of the detector



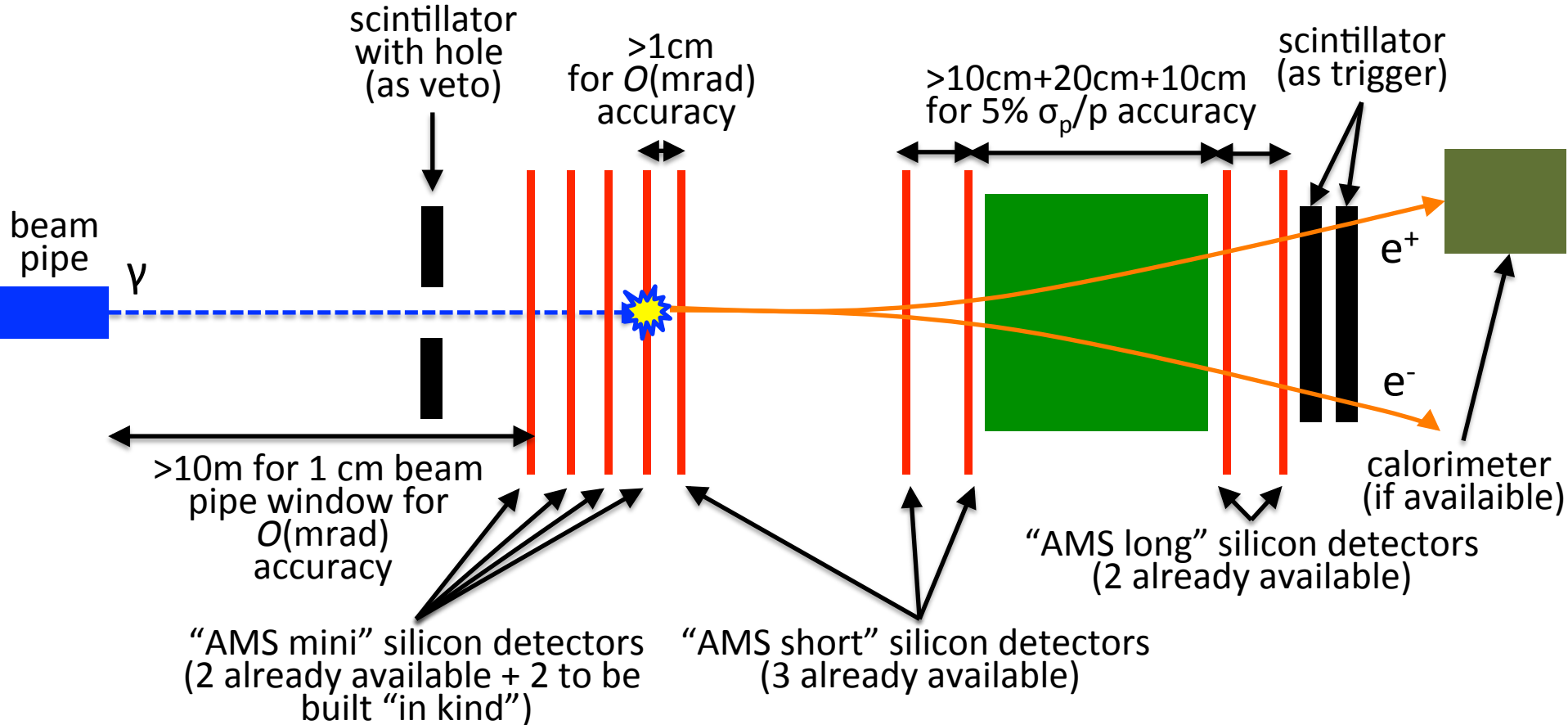
# Expected polarization capabilities



Also the response to a polarized “beam” has been simulated:

- **Possibility to detect polarisation**
- **Further studies needed**
  - **Need reliable simulation code for polarised pair production**

# Beam Test (phase 2)



- last 4 silicon sensors are needed for the spectrometer
- pair-conversion can happen in any of the previous silicon sensors (3 guaranteed, 5 possible)
- the "true" incidence angle of the photon can be known with 1mrad accuracy if the beam pipe window is  $\sim \text{cm}$ , at 10m distance (if unknown divergence!)