China's Future Space High Energy Astrophysical Missions

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#### Hard X-ray Modulation Telescope (HXMT)

➤Main scientific objectives (1-250 keV energy band)
✓Scan monitoring of the Galactic plane → transients watch dog: need ground follow-up observations.

✓Pointed observations → Black hole and neutron star x-ray binaries: need coordinated ground observations

Satellite Facts:

- ✓ Mass: ~2800 kg
- ✓ Orbit: 550 km, 43°
- ✓ Lifetime: 4 yrs



Officially approved in March 2011 Entered Phase-B (Engineering model phase) in 12/2011 Now finishing the construction of the qualification models Planned launch time: Dec. 2015

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# **HXMT** Payloads



High Energg (HE): Nal/Csl, 20-250 keV, 5000 cm<sup>2</sup>

Medium (ME): Si-PIN,5-30 keV, 952 cm<sup>2</sup>

Low Energy (LE): SCD,1-15 keV, 384 cm<sup>2</sup>

# **HXMT Sensitivity**



#### Current status of HXMT



#### Gamma-ray burst polarization : POLAR

- China- Switzerland
   collaboration
  - Energy range: 50-350 keV;
     FOV of POLAR: ~<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> sky
- Onboard China's spacelab TG-2: launch time Dec. 2015
- Main science: GRB jet & central engine; tests of quantum gravity theories









## **POLAR Qualification Modules**





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## **POLAR ESRF Calibration**





Results agree with Monte-Carlo simulations



## **POLAR** capability



#### DAMPE: launch in ~2015



W converter + thick calorimeter (total 33  $X_0$ ) + precise tracking + charge measurement  $\implies$ high energy  $\gamma$ -ray, electron and CR telescope

#### **Vibration Test**

#### Plastic Hodoscope



BGO Cal.



#### **Neutron Detector**





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#### **Energy Resolution**



Energy Resolution can reach 0.79%@ 250 GeV

#### **Gamma-ray Sensitivity**



## **DAMPE for gamma-ray line observations**



DAMPE will confirm or deny the "suspicious" dark matter annihilation line of Fermi with high significance

#### SVOM: ~2020 launch



## Space instrument performances

	Spectral band	Field of View	Allocation Accuracy	GRBs/yr (Dect. Rate)
GRM	30 keV-5 MeV	2 sr	2-5 deg	~80
ECLAIRs	4-250 keV	2 sr	10 arcmin	~70
MXT	0.3-5 keV	65× 65 arcmin	30 arcsec	~90%
VT	400-650 nm 650-950 nm	26 × 26 arcsec	1 arcsec	~80%

#### X-ray Timing and Polarization (XTP) mission

- Science: 1-singularity (BH); 2-stars (NS and Magnetar); 3extremes (gravity, density, magnetism)
  - Precise light curve + energy spectrum: Matter under extreme conditions, NS state equation, BH parameters
  - Polarization of X-ray: BH spin, nature of magnetars, pulsar radiation mechanism...
- Instrument Design Goal
  - The most sensitive light curve with good energy resolution and polarization at 1-30 keV → from faint Xray binaries to bright AGNs

#### **XTP** satellite



# Satellite fitting in launcher





## **XTP** payload layout



#### **Slumped glass mirror**







#### Before D263 & Mandrel



After Mirror & Mandrel



T= 200µm L=200mm Material: D263

Surface roughness: 0.3 nm  $\rightarrow$  arcmin angular resolution

#### **Effective Areas**



## **XTP Polarimetry Sensitivity**



P =  $15\% \pm 5\%$  (Novick et al. 1972) P =  $19\% \pm 1\%$  (Weisskopf et al. 1976, 1978)

#### XTP Polarimetry: GRS 1915+105





# Einstein Probe (EP)

#### Lobster-eye optics







Selected for Phase 0/A in 2013, expected launch in 2020-2025.

#### EM counterparts of GW explosions



#### Black holes of all scales in the universe



## **Capability of Einstein Probe**



#### China's Space Station Program

- Three phases
  - 1<sup>st</sup> phase: so far 10 Chinese astronauts have been sent out and returned back successfully; many space science research has been done. Completed successfully.
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> phase: spacelab: docking of 3 spaceships with astronauts delivering and installing scientific instruments. 1<sup>st</sup> launch on Sept. 29, 2011.
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> phase: spacestation: several large experimental cabins with astronauts working onboard constantly. 1<sup>st</sup> launch ~2020.

International collaborations on space science research have been and will continue to be an important part.

#### Cosmic Lighthouse Program: China's Space Station

Candidate Projects	Main Science Topics		
Large scale imaging and spectroscopic survey facility ( <b>approved</b> )	Dark energy, dark matter distribution, large scale structure of the universe		
HERD ( <b>concept</b> )	Dark matter properties, cosmic ray composition, high energy electron and gamma-rays		
Soft X-ray-UV all sky monitor (?)	X-ray binaries, supernovae, gamma-ray bursts, active galactic nuclei, tidal disruption of stars by supermassive black holes		
X-ray polarimeter (?)	Black holes, neutron stars, accretion disks, supernova remnants		
Galactic warm-hot gas spectroscopic mapper (?)	The Milky Way, interstellar medium, missing baryons in the Universe		
High sensitivity solar high energy detector (?)	Solar flares, high energy particle acceleration mechanism, space weather		
Infrared spectroscopic survey telescope (?)	Stars, galaxies, active galactic nuclei		

#### background



He

Gamma-ray

electron

E and

Dark matter particle-

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proton

#### HERD: High Energy cosmic-Radiation Detector

Science goals	Mission requirements		
Dark matter search	R1: Better statistical measurements of e/γ between 100 GeV to 10 TeV		
Origin of Galactic Cosmic rays	R2: Better spectral and composition measurements of CRs between 300 GeV to PeV* with a large geometrical factor		

Secondary science: monitoring of GRBs, microquasars, Blazars and other transients.

#### **Baseline design of HERD**



#### Characteristics of all components

	type	size	Χ0,λ	unit	main functions
tracker (top)	Si strips	70 cm × 70 cm	2 X0	7 x-y (W foils)	Charge Early shower Tracks
tracker 4 sides	Si strips	$65~{ m cm} imes$ 50 cm		3 х-у	Nucleon Track Charge
CALO	~10K LYSO cubes	$\begin{array}{c} \text{63 cm}  imes \\ \text{63 cm}  imes \\ \text{63 cm} \end{array}$	55 X0 3 λ	$3 \text{ cm} \times$ $3 \text{ cm} \times$ 3  cm	e/γ energy nucleon energy e/p separation

Total detector weight: ~2000 kg

### Expected performance of HERD

γ/e energy range (CALO)	tens of GeV-10TeV
nucleon energy range (CALO)	up to PeV
γ/e angular resol. (top Si-strips)	0.1°
nucleon charge resol. (all Si-strips)	0.1-0.15 c.u
γ/e energy resolution (CALO)	<1%@200GeV
proton energy resolution (CALO)	20%
e/p separation power (CALO)	<10 <sup>-5</sup>
electron eff. geometrical factor (CALO)	3.7 m <sup>2</sup> sr@600 GeV
proton eff. geometrical factor (CALO)	2.6 m <sup>2</sup> sr@400 TeV

## Simulation results: energy resolutions



Electron < 1%; Proton: ~20% Essential for spectral features!

#### HERD Eff. Geometrical Factor: CALO



## Gamma-ray Sky Survey Sensitivity



## HERD sensitivity to gamma-ray line



#### DM annihilation line of HERD



#### **Expected HERD Proton and He Spectra**



#### Expected HERD Spectra of C and Fe



## good economy + international collaboration



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