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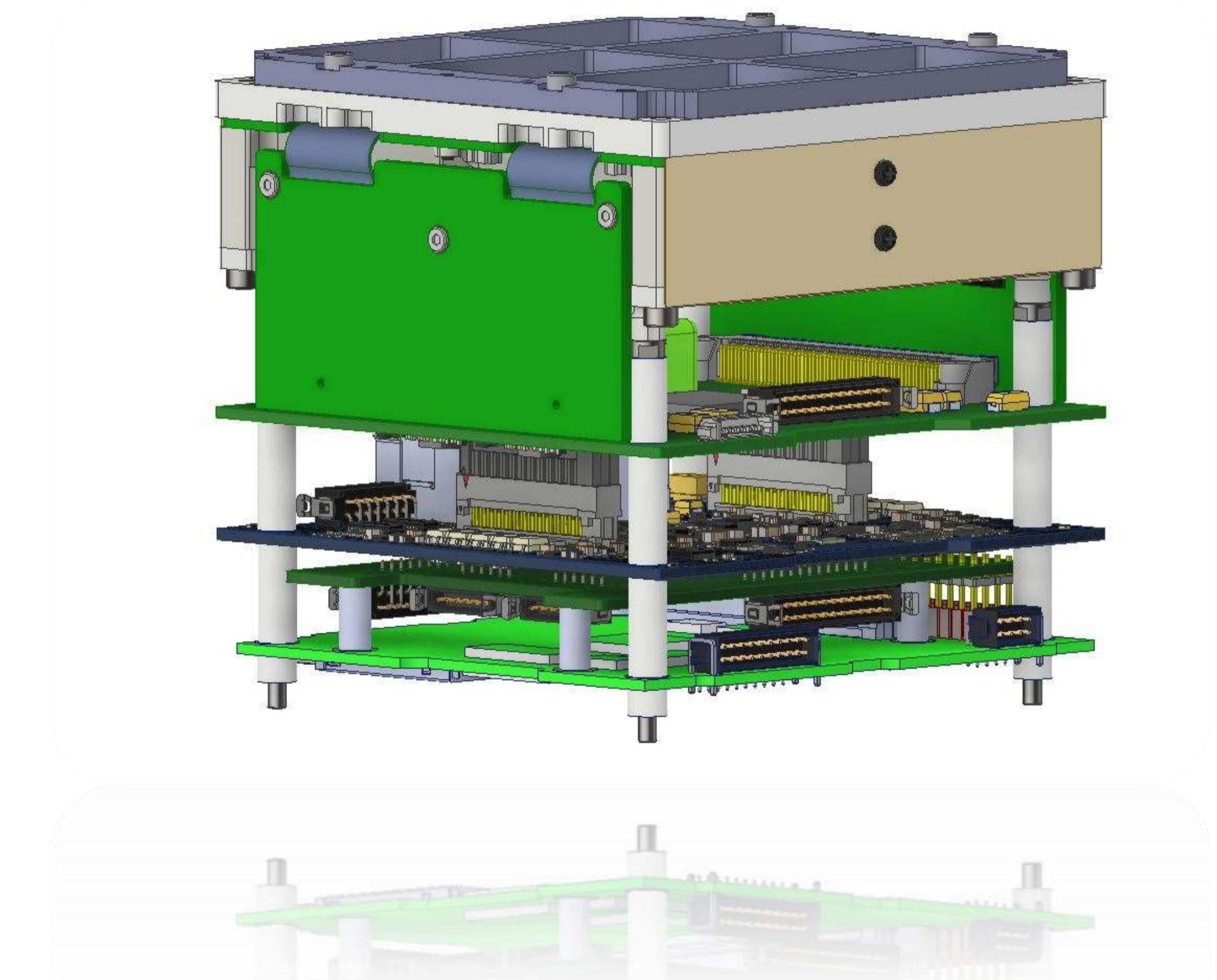
Payload Design

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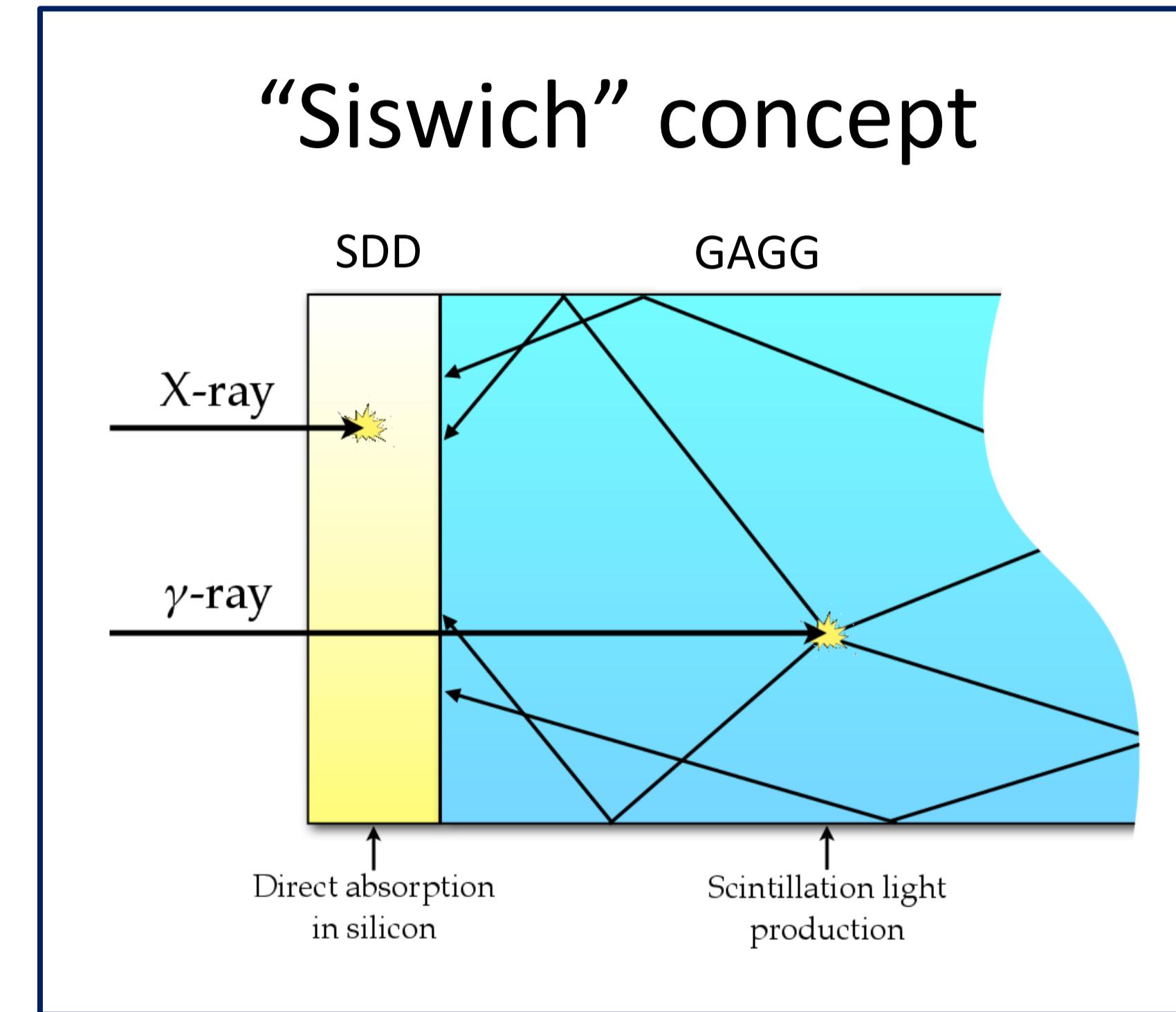


HERMES P/L REQUIREMENTS

- **SENSITIVITY** → better than $2 \text{ ph/cm}^2/\text{s}$
 - **EFFECTIVE AREA** → larger than 50 cm^2
 - **ENERGY BAND** → $E_{\text{low}} \leq 5 \text{ keV}$ & $E_{\text{high}} \geq 2 \text{ MeV}$
 - **ENERGY RESOLUTION** → better than 1 keV (X) and 5 keV (γ) EOL
 - **TIME RESOLUTION** → better than 400 ns
 - **TIME ACCURACY** → better than 200 ns
 - **FOV** → larger than 3 sr FWHM
 - **BACKGROUND** → lower than $12 \text{ counts/cm}^2/\text{s}$
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- **VOLUME** → smaller than 1.25 U
 - **MASS** → lower than 1.8 kg
 - **POWER** → lower than 5 W
 - **RADIATIVE ENV** → LEO (EQ or SSO)
 - **THERMAL CONTROL** → passive
 - **COMPONENTS** → COTS (mainly)
 - **RELIABILITY** → higher than standard CubeSats
 - **REDUNDANCY** → segmented detector
 - **OTHER** → “mass” production

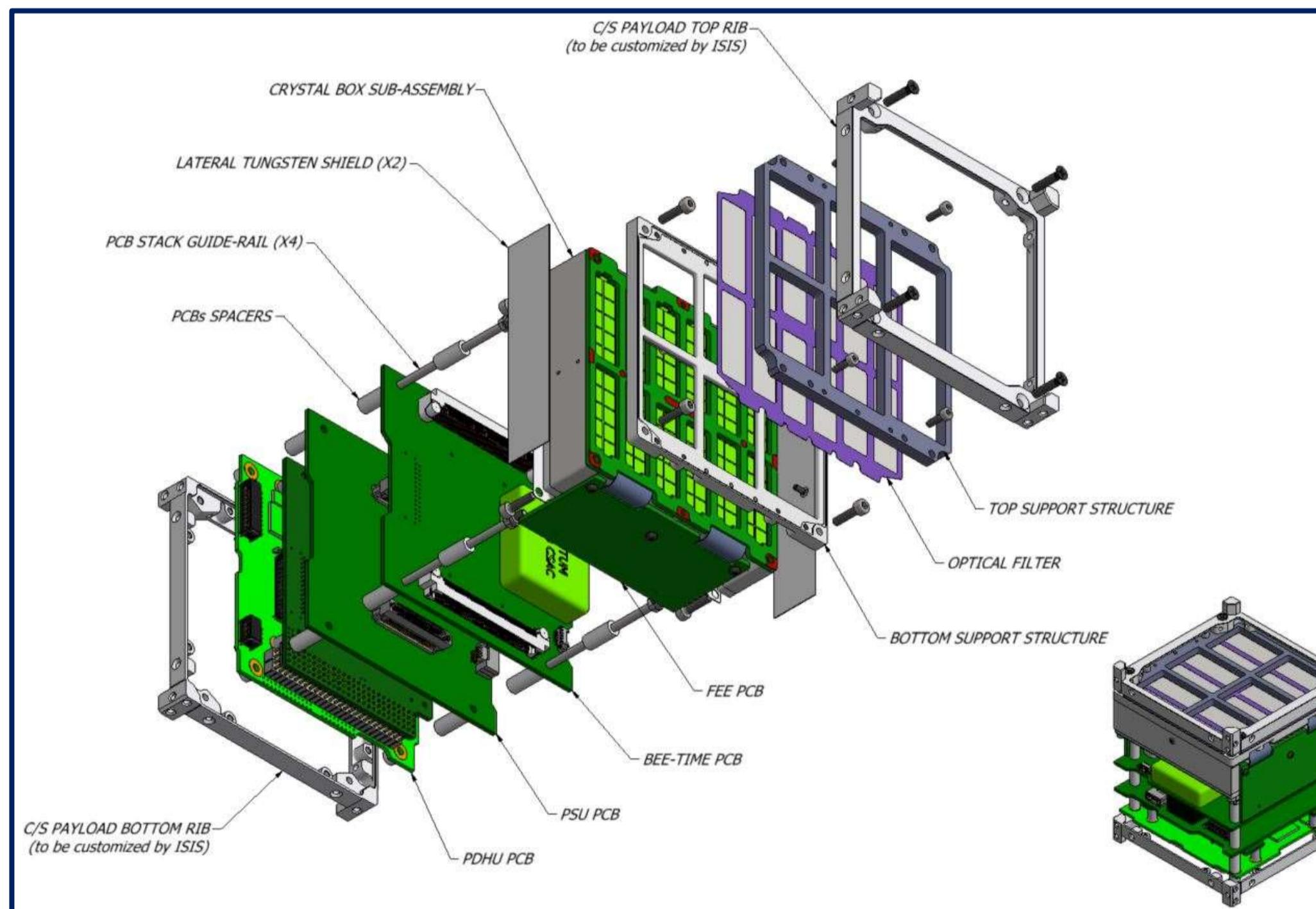


Compact and lightweight instrument with a very wide sensitivity band



- Silicon drift detectors (SDD) as direct X-ray and “indirect” gamma-ray (scintillator light) detectors
- GAGG scintillator crystals
- Custom designed front-end and back-end ASICs
- Custom designed BEE and PSU electronics
- Very compact ($96 \times 96 \times 30 \text{ mm}^3$)

P/L SUBSYSTEMS

**Detector assembly – INAF, INFN, PoliMi, UniPV, FBK, IHEP**

- Detector Support Structure (provides mechanical I/F, FEE stiffness, hosts the optical filter)
- Front-End Electronics (FEE) (hosts: 12 Silicon Drift Detector (SDD) arrays, each with 10 independent cells; 120 LYRA-FE ASIC dies; 4 LYRA-BE ASICs; 2 connectors toward the BEE; 6 temperature sensors)
- 60 GAGG scintillator crystals (optically isolated on 5 sides), optically connected to the SDD through a space qualified silicone pad)
- Crystal box (with 200 µm Tungsten shields)

Back-End Electronics (BEE) – INAF

- FEE electrical I/F
- A/D conversion
- Time generation and time tagging (baseline solution)
- Data preformatting

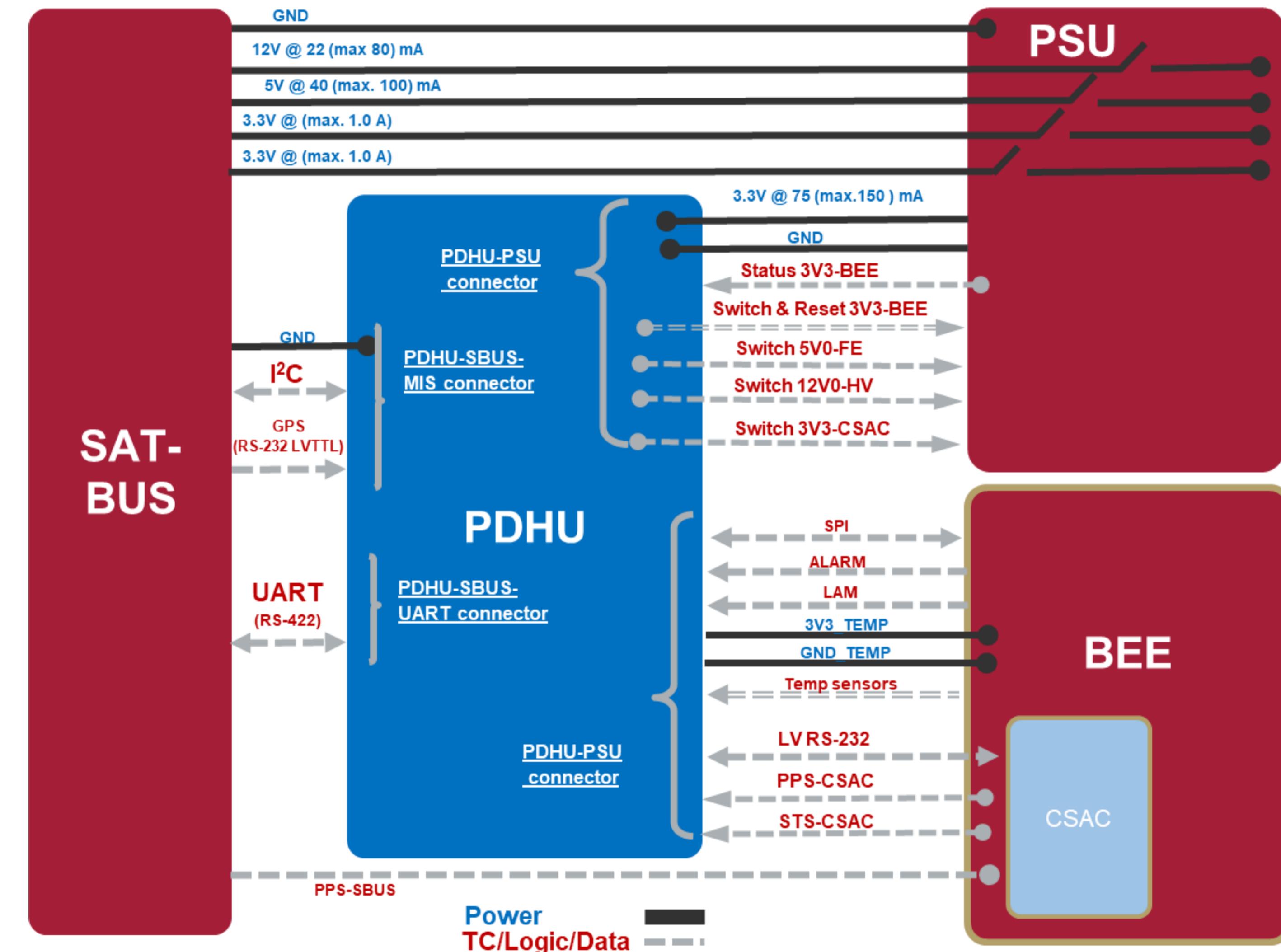
Power Supply Unit (PSU) – INAF

- I/F to S/C power bus
- Generation, control and monitoring of P/L power supplies;
- Latch-up control

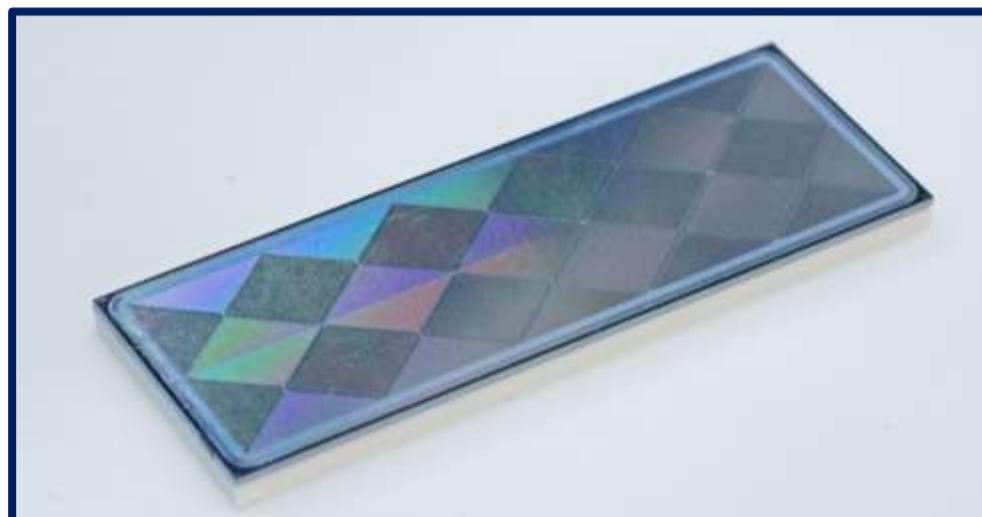
Payload Data Handling Unit (PDHU) – University of Tubingen

- onboard computer
- manage FEE and BEE configuration
- Data formatting
- Burst search
- TM/TC interface

P/L ELECTRICAL INTERFACES



SILICON DRIFT DETECTORS

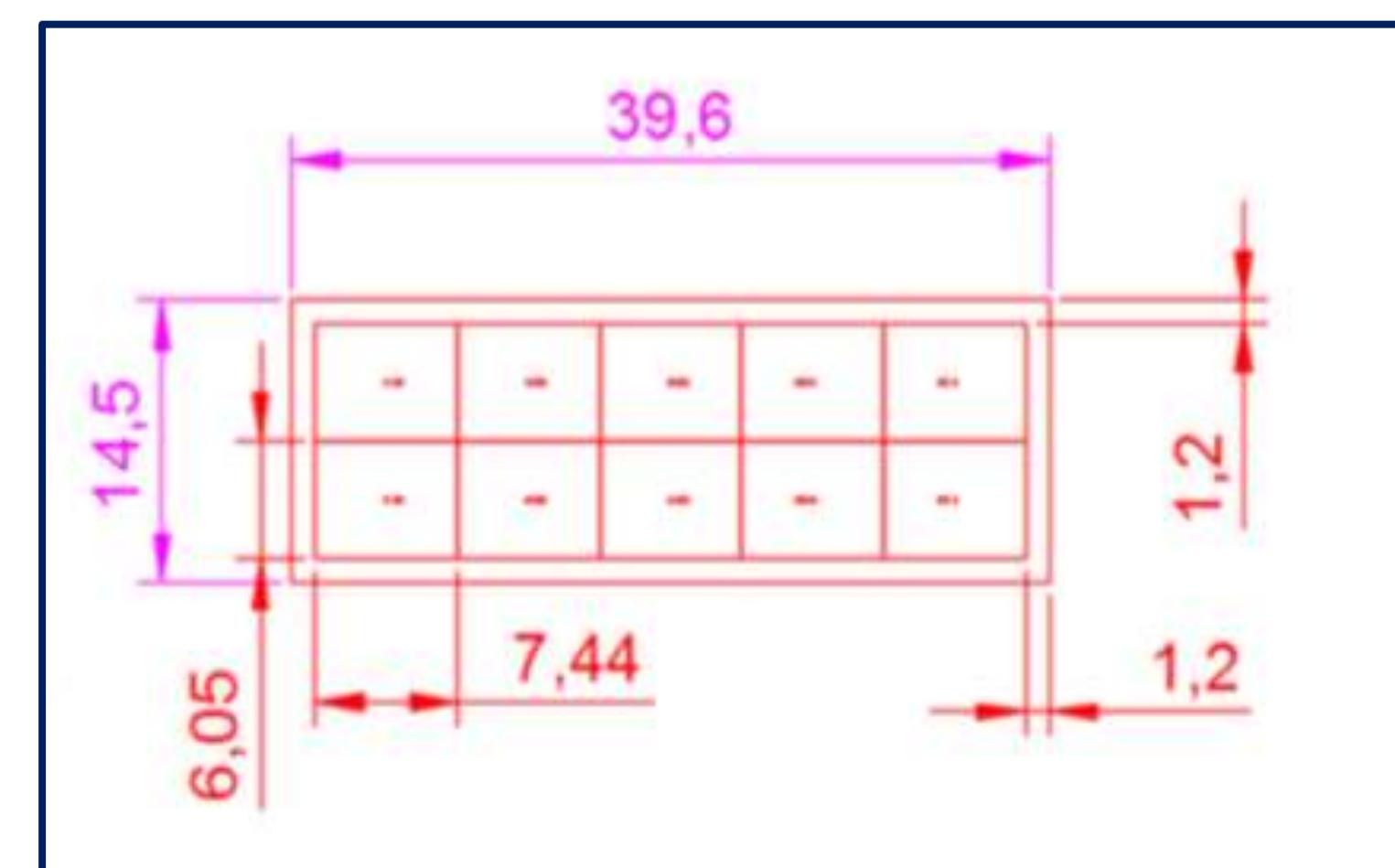


State-of-the-art results achieved within the framework of the Italian ReDSoX collaboration. Strong synergy between INFN-Trieste and Fondazione Bruno Kessler (FBK, Trento) for design/production, funding by ASI, INAF and INFN for design consolidation and space qualification (LOFT & HERMES)

Baseline detectors for eXTP (LAD, WFM) and THESEUS (XGIS)

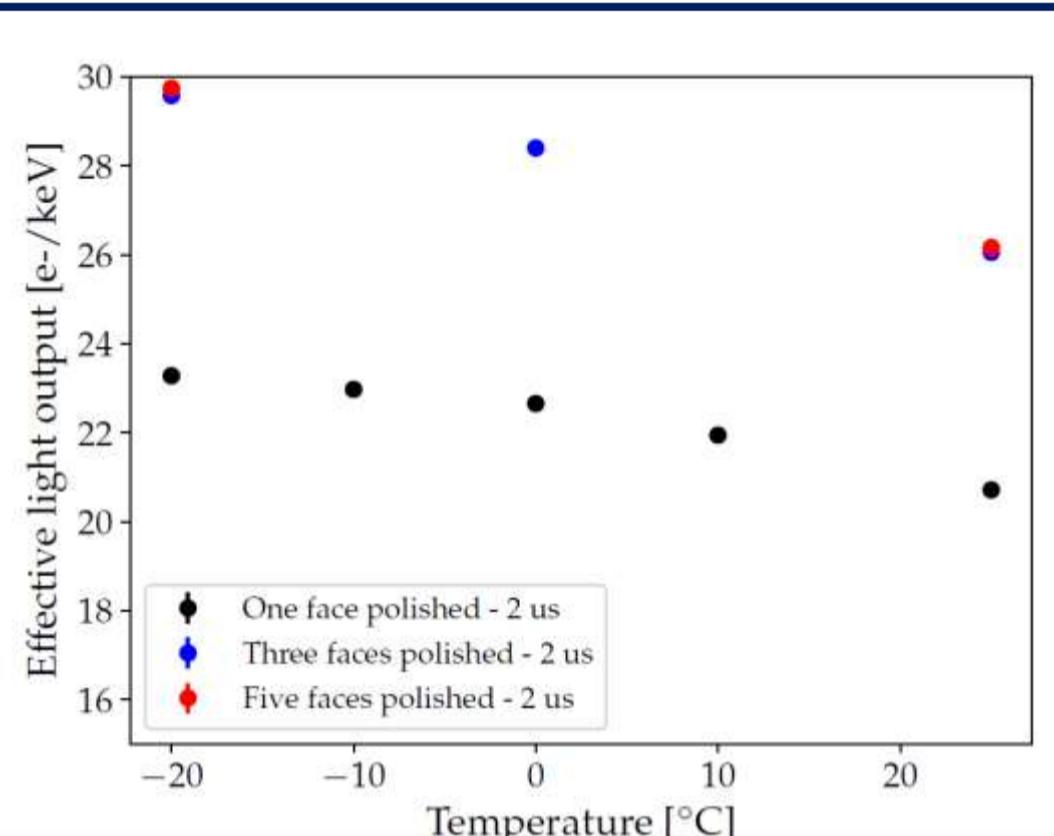
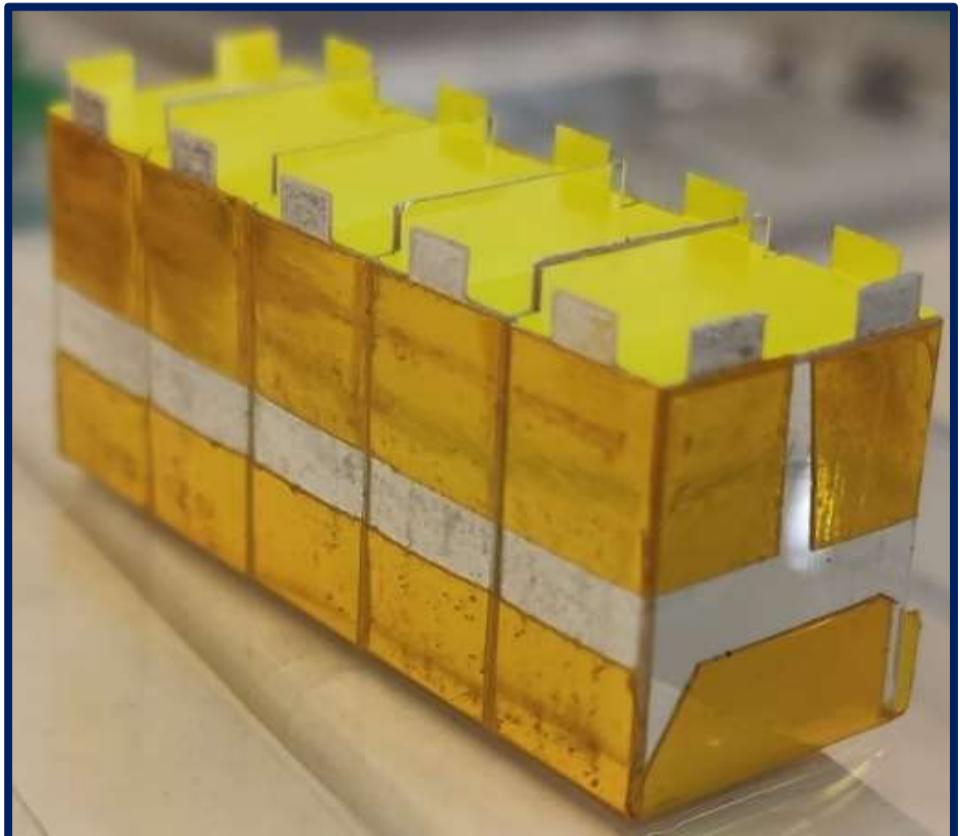
Design optimized for:

- Energy resolution and noise (threshold)
- Modularity (redundancy)
- FEE PCB complexity and integration
- Time resolution
- X/gamma discrimination (via multiplicity)
- Resources (i.e. power consumption, bias voltages)



GAGG SCINTILLATORS

	LaBr ₃ (Ce)	NaI(Tl)	CsI(Tl)	GAGG	GFAG	BGO
Density [g/cm ³]	5,08	3,67	4,51	6,63	6,7	7,13
Lambda max [nm]	380	415	560	520	520	480
Decay time [ns]	16	250	1000	88	45	300
Hygroscopic?	yes	yes	no	no	no	no
Light yield [ph/keV]	63	38	54	57	45	8
Energy res @662 keV [%]	2,6	7	5	5,2	5	10
Rise time				200 ps		
Radioactive?	yes	no	no	no	no	no

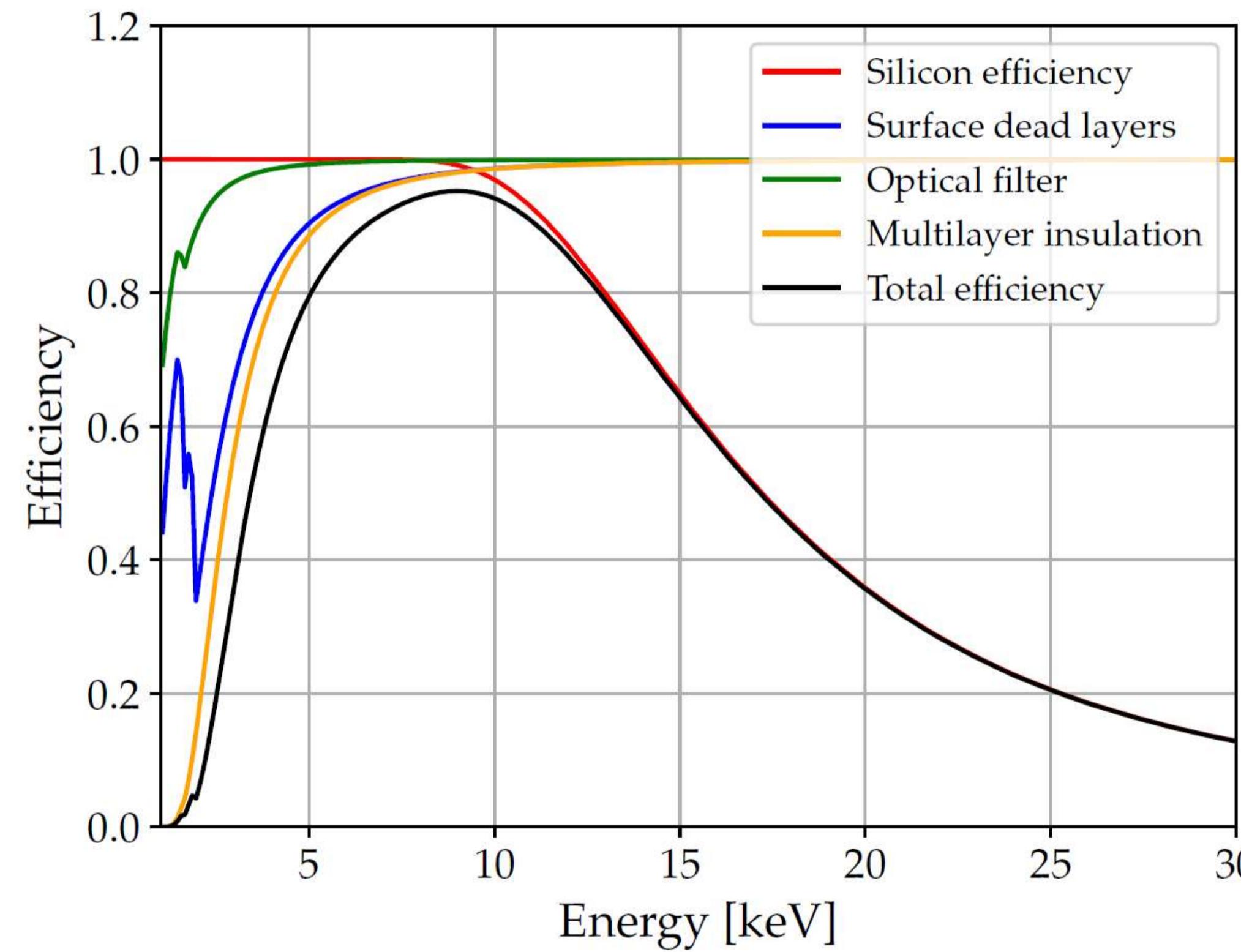


GAGG crystals:

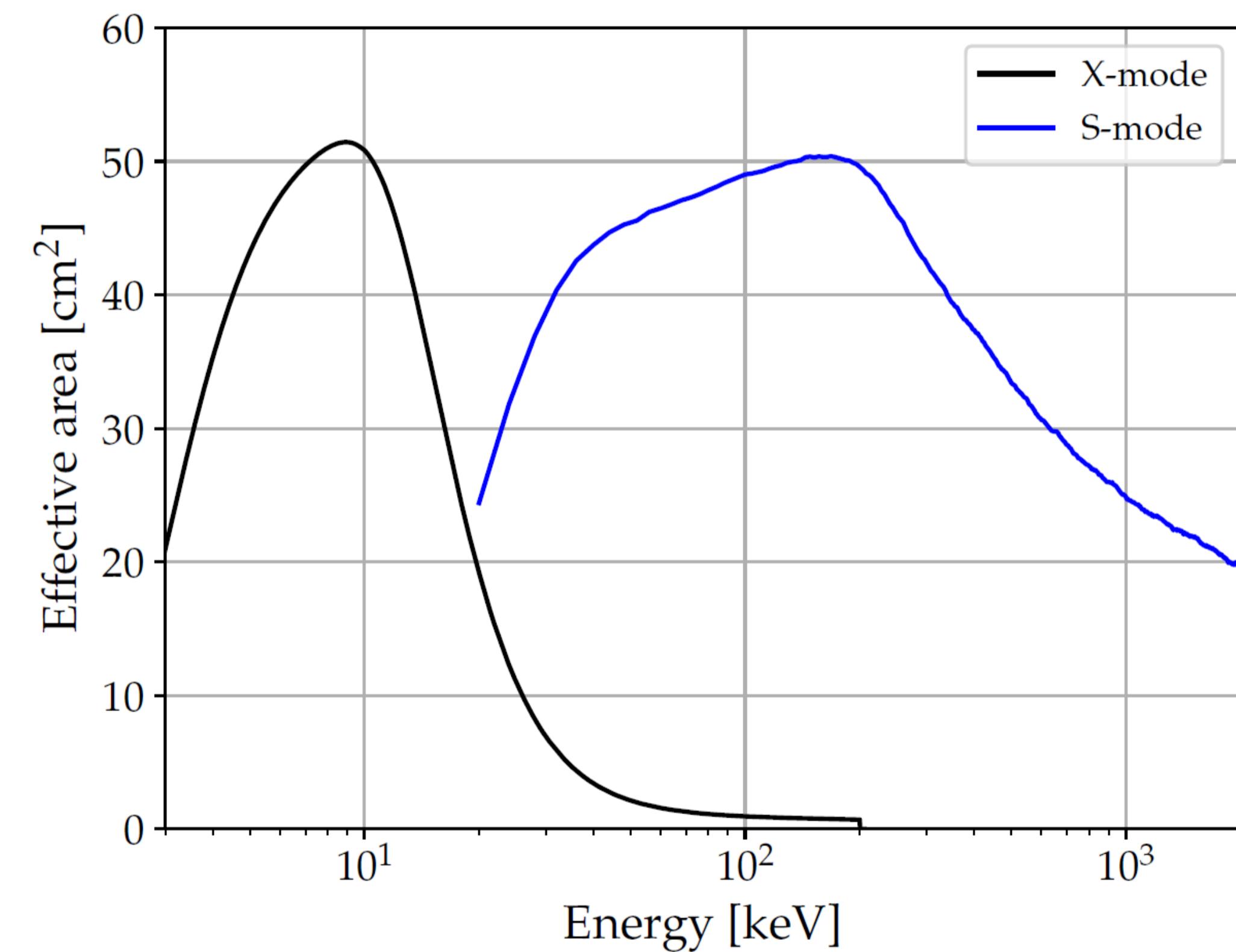
- High stopping power, fast response, optimal lambda max for Si coupling
- Not hygroscopic
- Not radioactive
- Radiation tolerant (although not flight proven so far due to SiPM failure - GRID)
- Proton irradiation in the framework of the HERMES project
- Geometrical design, surface finishing and wrapping procedure optimized for light output (i.e. energy resolution and lower E_{thr})

EFFECTIVE AREA BREAKDOWN

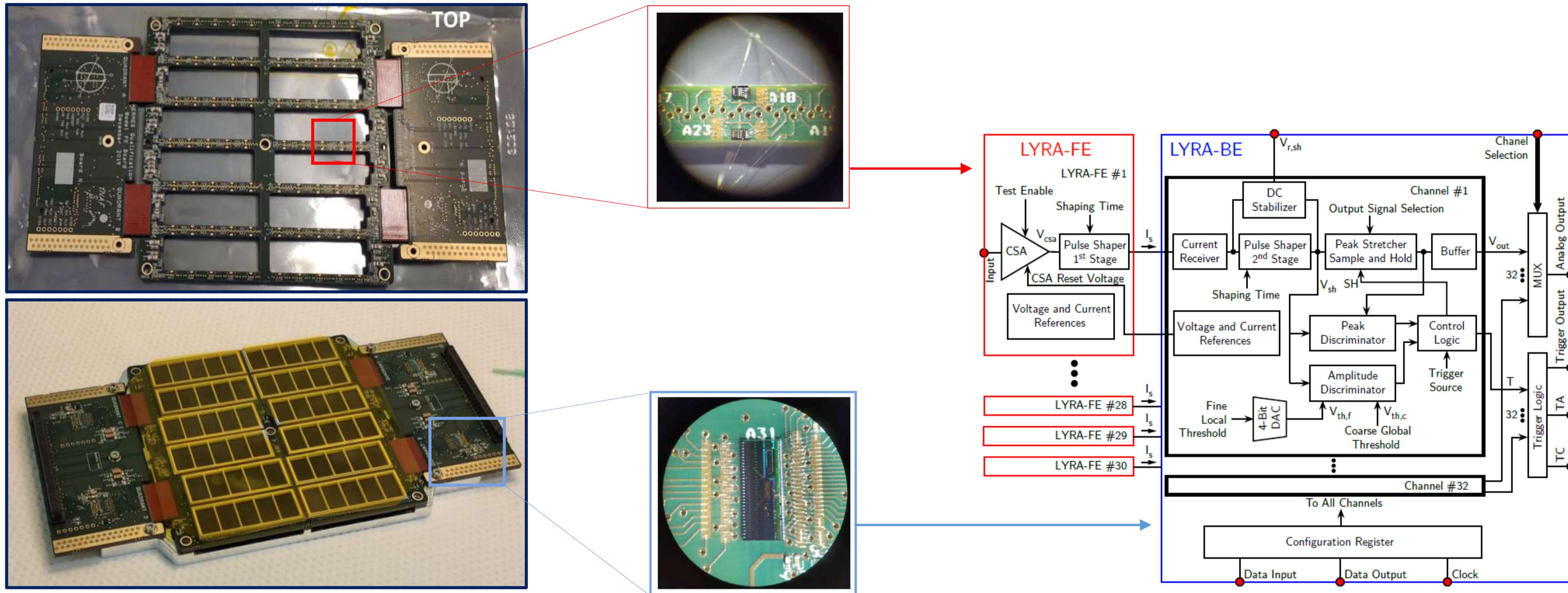
SDD Efficiency



Effective Area



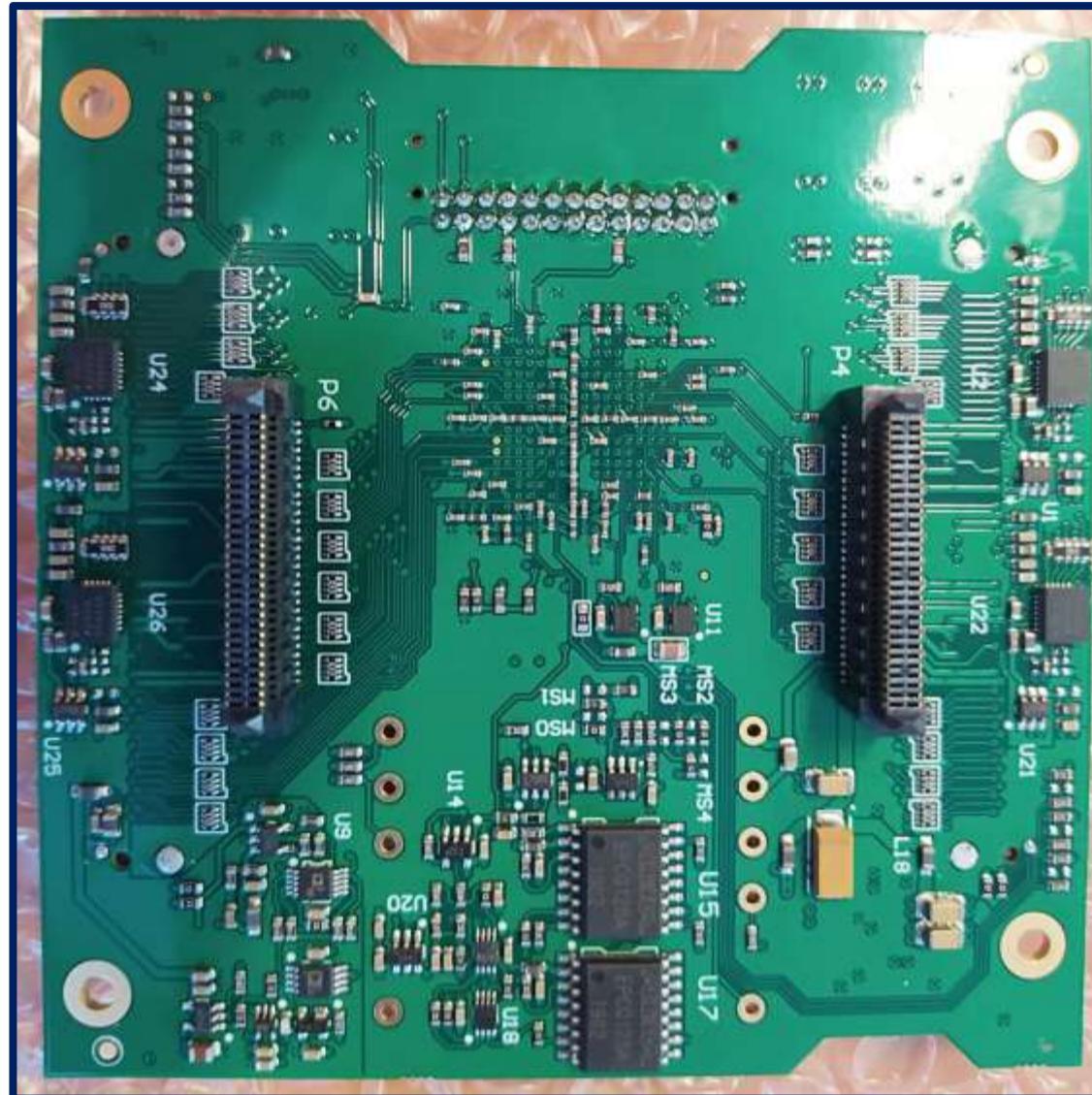
FEE PCB & READOUT ASIC



State of the art ASICs developed by PoliMi and UniPavia (with long heritage on SDD readout)

ASIC and FEE design optimized for:

- Noise performance (also leakage & capacitance matching)
- Energy range: 0-33000 e⁻ (0÷120 keV in Si, 0÷2.5 MeV in GAGG)
- Low power: < 1mW/channel
- Signal routing and low cross-talk (I-based I/F, separation in LYRA-FE and LYRA-BE)
- Rad. tol. technology (AMS 0.35) with flight heritage (e.g. Solar Orbiter)



BEE tasks/functionalities

The core of the BEE is a SEL immune Intel/Altera Cyclone V FPGA

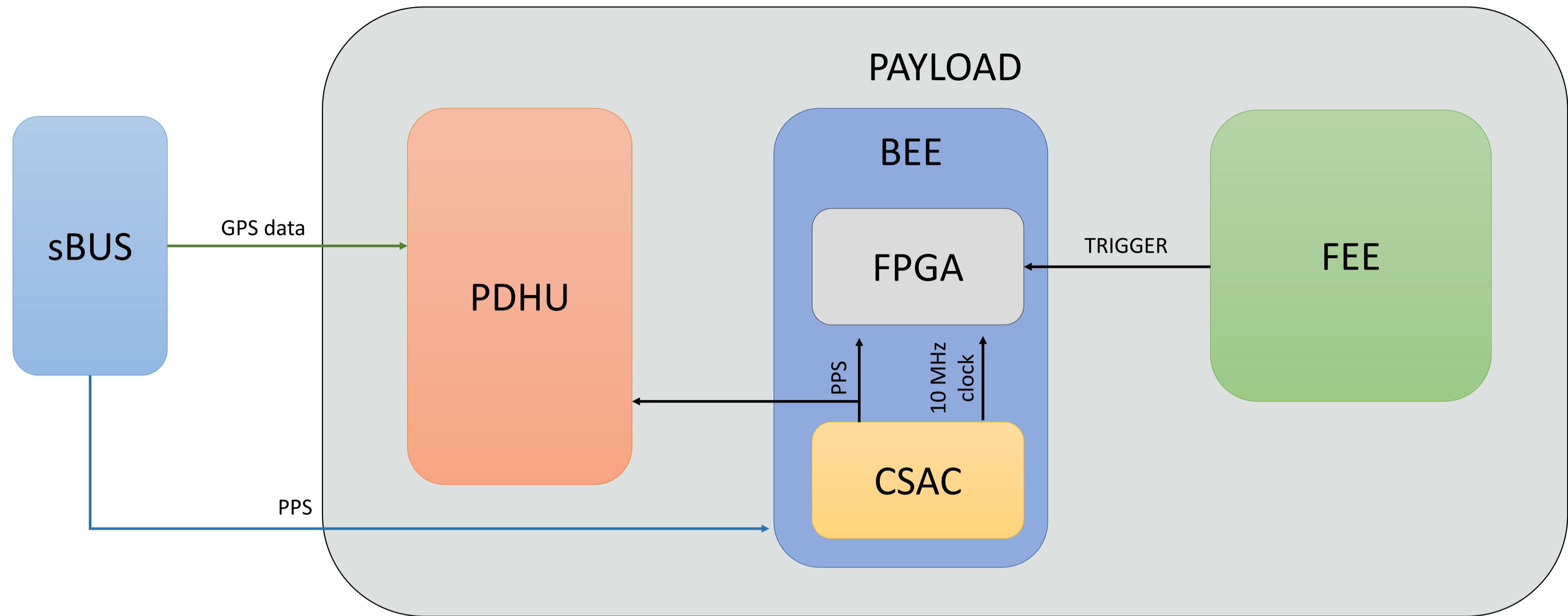
- ASICs Configuration
 - Logic for Event Trigger Detection and Acquisition
 - Generation of a configurable test pulse for in-flight calibration
 - HKs collection
 - TCs parser
 - Time-tagging management (local rad-hard Chip Scale Atomic Clock – CSAC)

PSU tasks/functionalities

- SDD High Voltage (-120V) generation and ramp-up/ramp-down
 - Overcurrent protection for 12V rail (primary of HV DC-DC)
 - Overcurrent/latch-up protection for BEE PS
 - Overcurrent/latch-up protection for LV rails (FEE)
 - Ultra low-noise, high PSRR LDOs for FEE LV
 - Independent low voltage and high voltage load switches for each quadrant
 - Controlled detector switch-off in case of latch-up/anomaly

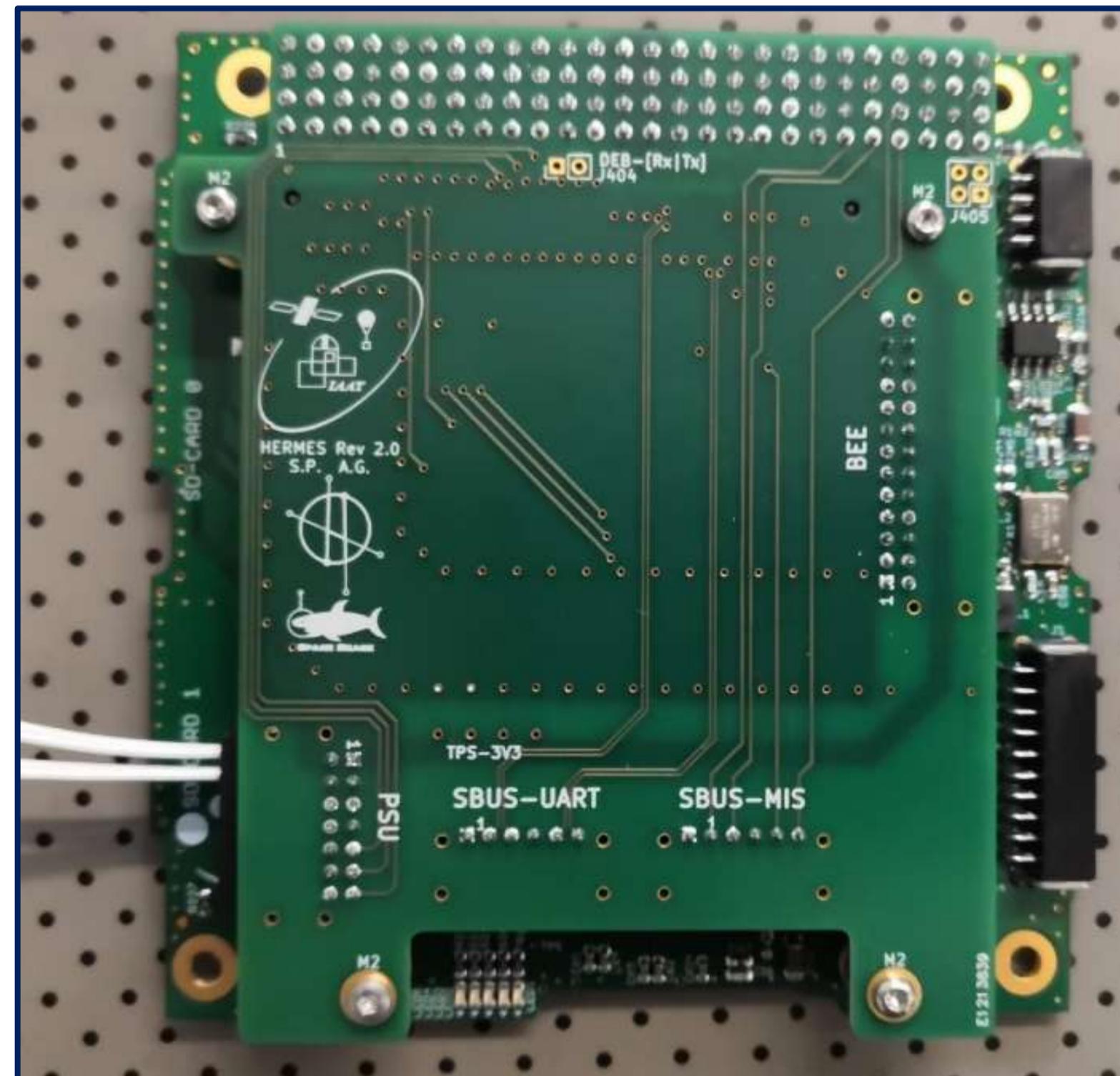


TIMING ARCHITECTURE



Overall time measurement precision (GPS/PPS locked)			
Mode	Time accuracy (68% c. l.)	Time resolution (68% c. l.)	Total (68% c. l.)
X-Mode	53.4 ns	320 ns	324 ns
S-mode	53.4 ns	216 ns	222 ns

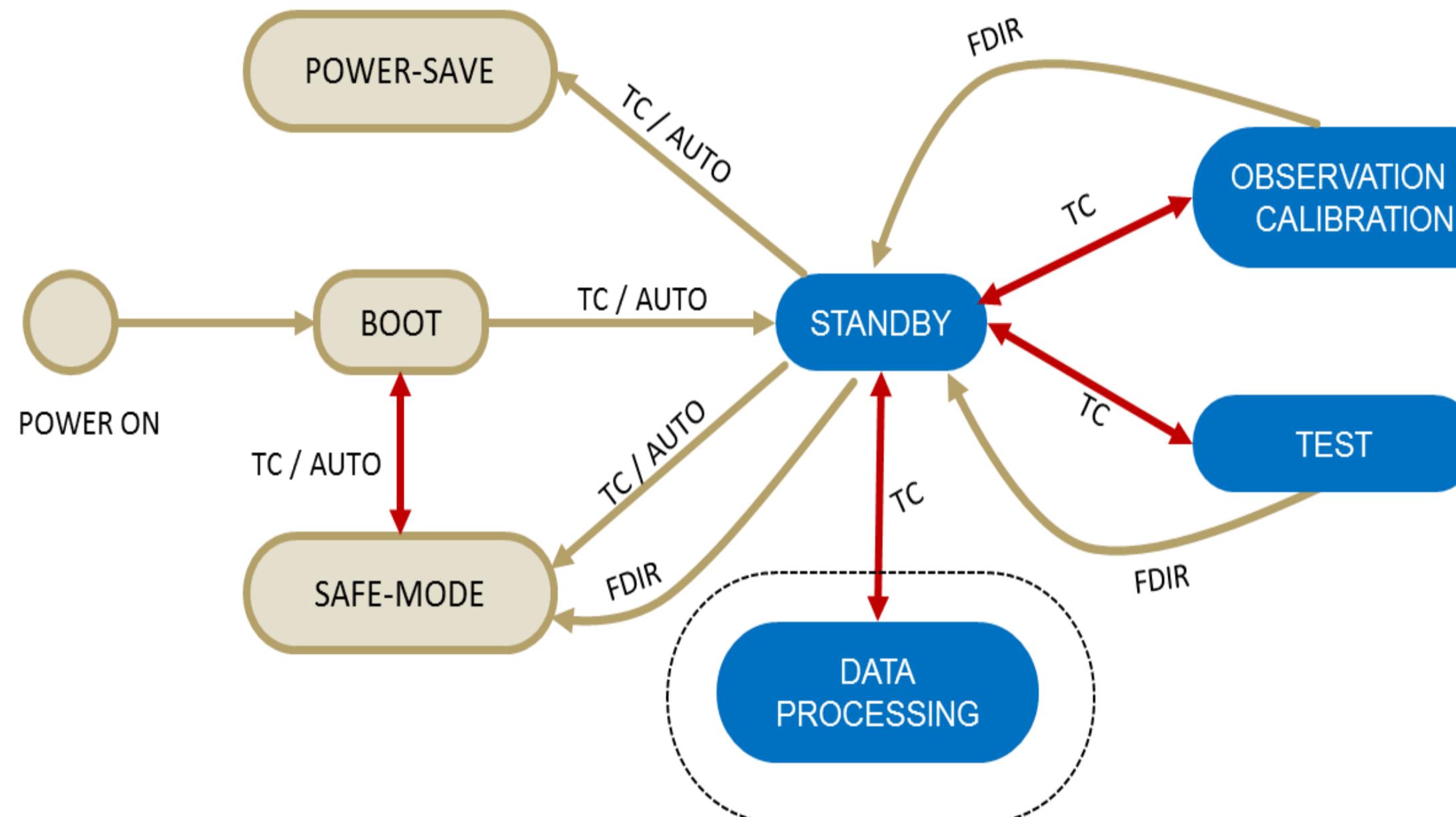
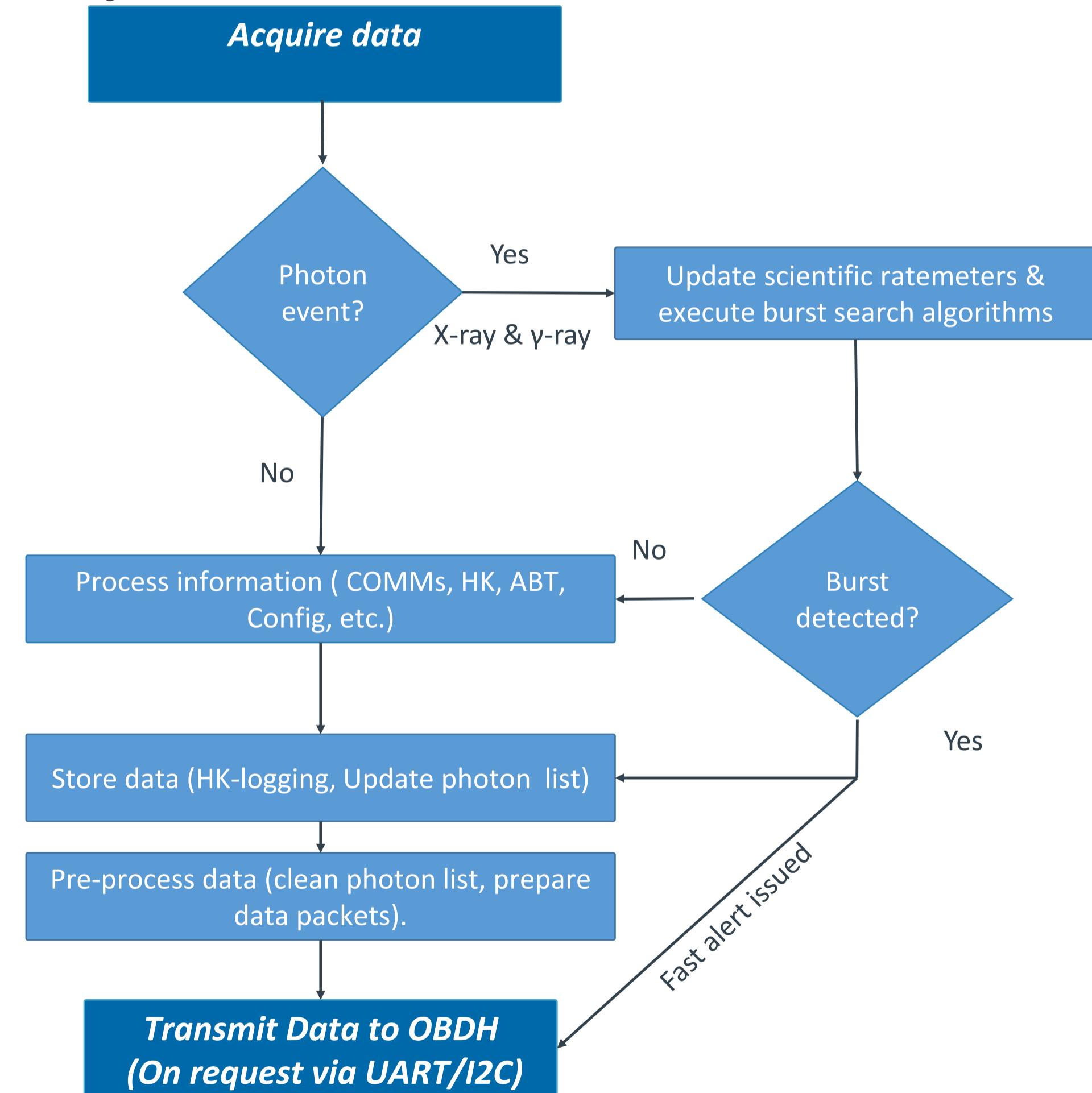
Overall time measurement precision (GPS/PPS unlocked)			
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X-Mode	181 ns	320 ns	368 ns
S-mode	181 ns	216 ns	282 ns



- Based on the ISIS On-Board computer (iOBC).
- Flight proven ARM9 processor.
- Power efficient (~380 mW)
- On-board: telemetry, voltage, current and temperature sensors
- External on-board watchdog and power-controller
- High reliability data storage (SD Cards) with FailSafe file system
- Volatile memory 64 MB SDRAM, Code storage 1 MB NOR Flash
- Critical data storage 256 kB FRAM
- Flexible daughterboard architecture
- SW development and deep customization by University of Tübingen

PDHU tasks:

- P/L interface with sBUS
- Operative mode management
- Photon list generation & events buffering
- Photon list ‘cleaning’ (e.g. particles filt.)
- Burst trigger logic management
- Scientific Data packet formatting
- Housekeeping (HK) management
- CSAC I/F
- Mass memory

**P/L data flow**

SCIENTIFIC TELEMETRY

PDHU SRs				
	Sampling [s]	Packet size [byte]	Packet size [bit]	Rate [bit/s]
PDHU SR (4 quadrants, 3 energy bands, 7 timescales)	60	840	6720	112

PHOTON LIST				
	Sampling [s]	Packet size [byte]	Packet size [bit]	Rate [bit/s]
UTC reference	1*	9	72	72
BEE Analog and digital HKs	1	64	512	512
Detector temperatures	1	24	192	192
Number of entries	1*	4	32	32
ABT event	1	8	64	64
SUBTOTAL				872
Photon events	N/A	8	64	N/A

Scientific ratemeters (4 quadrants, 3 energy bands, 7 timescales) produced & stored on the fly. Ready for prompt IRIDIUM transmission in case of trigger

BACKGROUND PHOTON-BY-PHOTON					
Component	evt/s	bit/s	Margin [%]	Margin [bit/s]	Total with margin [bit/s]
Background (50 keV – 300 keV)	72	4608.0	30	1382.4	5990.4
Background (3 keV – 2 MeV)	692	44288.0	30	13286.4	57574.4

Photon-by-photon “background” (50-300 keV) continuous acquisition & storage

VERY BRIGHT BURST PHOTON-BY-PHOTON (3 keV – 2 MeV)					
Component	evts	bit	Margin [%]	Margin [bit]	Total with margin [bit]
Very bright burst (100 counts/cm ² /s + full band background, 50 s duration)	823650	52713600.0	30	15814080	68527680
Pre burst (full band background, 100 s duration)	76400	4889600.0	30	1466880	6356480
Post burst (full band background, 50 s duration)	38200	2444800.0	30	733440	3178240
TOTAL				78062400	

Triggered full band photon-by-photon acquisition and storage

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TOTALS PER DAY (MARGINS INCLUDED)	
Component	bits/day
SR Telemetry budget	9676800
Photon list header	75340800
Background (50-300 keV)	517570560
Very bright burst photon-by-photo data (1 per day)	78062400
Common burst photon-by-photon (2 per day)	38495808
TOTAL [bits/day]	
TOTAL [Gbits/day]	

MASS & POWER BUDGETS

Mass

Item	Q.ty	Volume [cm3]	Material	Specific weight [g/cm3]	Unit Mass CBE [g]	Total Mass CBE [g]	DMM [%]	DMM [g]	Total Mass CBE + DMM [g]
P/L Total					1497.6	92.2			1587.8
Detector assembly	1				1178.34		64.32		1242.65
Detector PCB	1	19.9	FR4		1.95	38.81	38.81	5	1.94
ERM8-060 connector	2	0.82			3.00	2.46	4.92	5	0.25
Crystal Box	1	22.5	Stainless Steel		8.00	180.00	185.60	5	9.28
Crystal Lid	1	22.9	Stainless Steel		8.00	183.20	184.80	5	9.24
Tungsten Shield 0,20mm	1	1.6	Tungsten		19.10	30.56	30.33	5	1.52
Tungsten lat.Shield 0,20mm	2	0.44	Tungsten		19.10	8.40	16.30	5	0.82
Bottom Support Structure	1	8.4	Stainless Steel		8.00	67.20	66.70	5	3.34
Top Support Structure	1	11.9	Stainless Steel		8.00	95.20	92.80	5	4.64
Filter	1	0.4	Kapton+Ni frame		8.90	1.00	1.00	30	0.30
Screws ISO 4762 - M2,5x8	4	0.07	Steel		7.80	0.55	2.18	20	0.44
Screws ISO 4762 - M3x12	9	0.15	Steel		7.80	1.17	10.53	20	2.11
Screws ISO 7045 - M2x5	16	0.03	Steel		7.80	0.23	3.74	20	0.75
Dowel pin 2x12	2	0.038	Steel		7.80	0.30	0.59	20	0.12
SDD tile	12	0.21	Silicon		2.33	0.49	5.87	30	1.76
SDD glue	12				0.22		2.64	30	0.79
Frame	12	0.132	ABS		1.06	0.14	1.68	5	0.08
Frame K	12	0.09	Kovar		8.30	0.75	8.96	5	0.45
Wrapping	60		DF2000MA			0.18	10.80	5	0.54
Optical coupling	60	0.26	Silicone		1.03	0.27	16.07	5	0.80
Crystal	60	1.26	Ce:GAGG		6.51	8.20	492.16	5	24.61
Elastomer springs	60	0.02	Laird Tflex 300		1.78	0.03	1.85	30	0.56
PDHU	1				97.87		4.89		102.76
ISIS iOBC	1				114.00	97.87	5	4.89	102.76
BEE/TIME	1				89.47		4.47		93.94
CSAC	1				35.00	35.00	5	1.75	36.75
ERF8-060 connector	2	1.55			3	4.65			
BEE	1	15.9	FR4		1.95	31.01	54.47	5	2.72
PSU	1				72.28		7.49		77.69
EMI shield	1					9.38	5	2.55	9.85
PICO DC-DC	1				12.00	12.00	20	2.40	14.40
PCB	1	17.7	FR4		1.95	34.52	50.90	5	2.55
Other items					59.67		11.03		70.71
Internal harness	1				30.00	30	9.00		39.00
PCB long Spacers	12	0.3	Aluminium 6082		2.71	0.81	10.08	5	0.50
PCB short Spacers	4	0.08	Aluminium 6082		2.71	0.22	0.72	5	0.04
Guide-rail	4	0.5	Stainless Steel		8.00	4.00	15.20	5	0.76
Ribs screws ISO 7046 - M2x6	4	0.03	Steel		7.80	0.23	0.94	20	0.19
MLI thermal blanket	1		Sheldahal 146454			1.00	1.00	20	0.20
Thermal shield vs BUS	1	0.89	Teflon		1.95	1.74	1.74	20	0.35
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Power

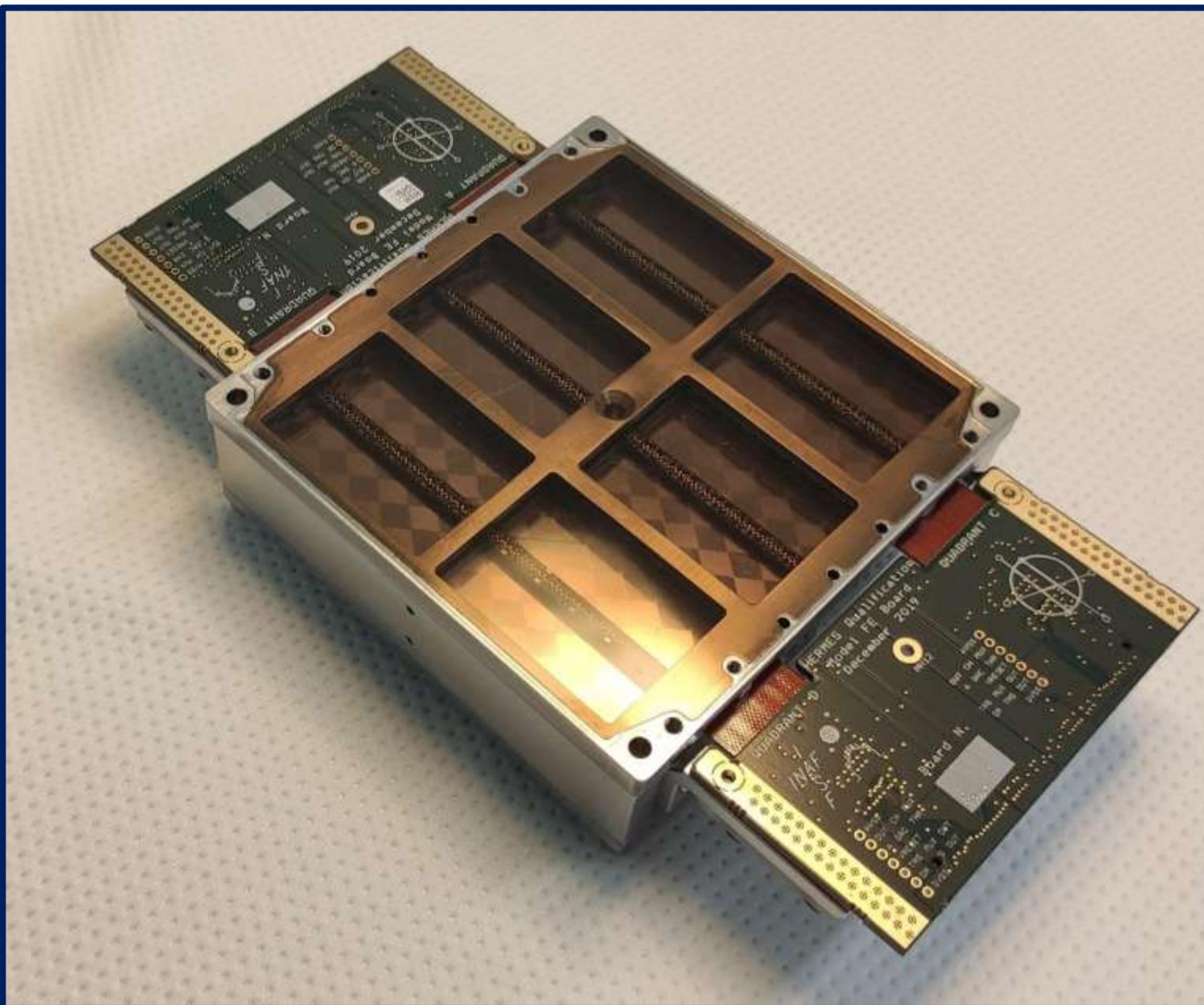
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P/L with system margin	30							6227.8
P/L	1	3112.3	706.8	3819.1	4790.6			
Detector assembly	1	175.3	52.6	227.9	327.7			
SDD	120	0.8	96.5	30	28.9	125.4	0.8	156.8
LYRA-FE	120	0.3	32.4	30	9.7	42.1	0.6	70.2
LYRA-BE	128	0.4	46.5	30	13.9	60.4	0.6	100.7
PDHU	1	550.0	27.5	577.5	577.5			
ISIS iOBC	1	550.0	550.0	5	27.5	577.5	1	577.5
BEE	1	1615.0	529.5	2144.5	2929.6			
FPGA	1	1000.0	1000.0	40	400.0	1400.0	0.8	1750.0
ADC	4	50.0	200.0	20	40.0	240.0	0.6	400.0
CSAC	1	140.0	140.0	5	7.0	147.0	0.8	183.8
Other components	1	275.0	275.0	30	82.5	357.5	0.6	595.8
PSU	1	772.0	97.2	869.2	955.9			
HV DC-DC converter	1	672.0	672.0	10	67.2	739.2	1	739.2
Control electronics	1	100	100.0	30	30.0	130.0	0.6	216.7

P/L DM integrated in July-August 2020 with:

- Mechanical assembly
- Optical filter
- FEE board equipped with:
 - 4 LYRA-BE ASICs (one per DA quadrant)
 - 120 LYRA-FE ASICs (30 per quadrant)
 - 3 in-spec SDD arrays (30 channels of Quadrant A)
 - 1 in-spec SDD array, correspondent to 10 channels of Quadrant D
 - 8 dummy SDD arrays, mechanically representative
- 60 GAGG crystals
- Fully representative optical coupling and crystal preload pads
- Tungsten shields

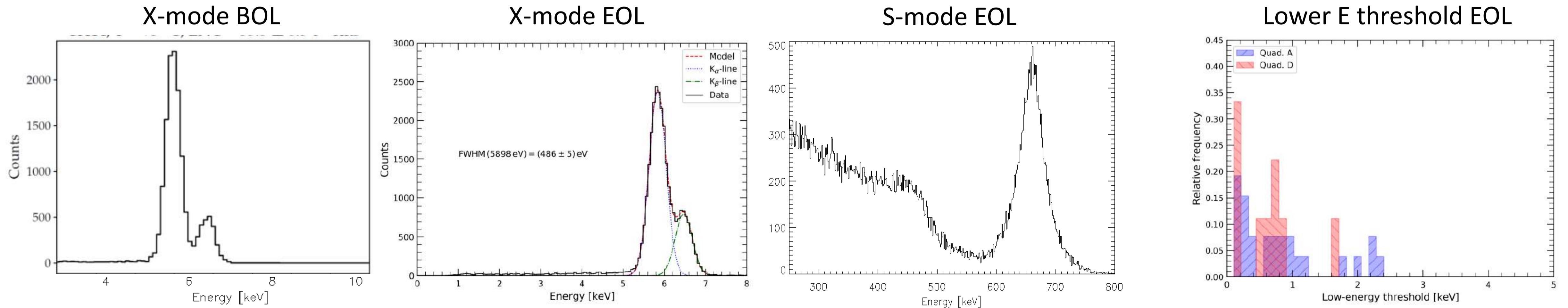


DM PERFORMANCE

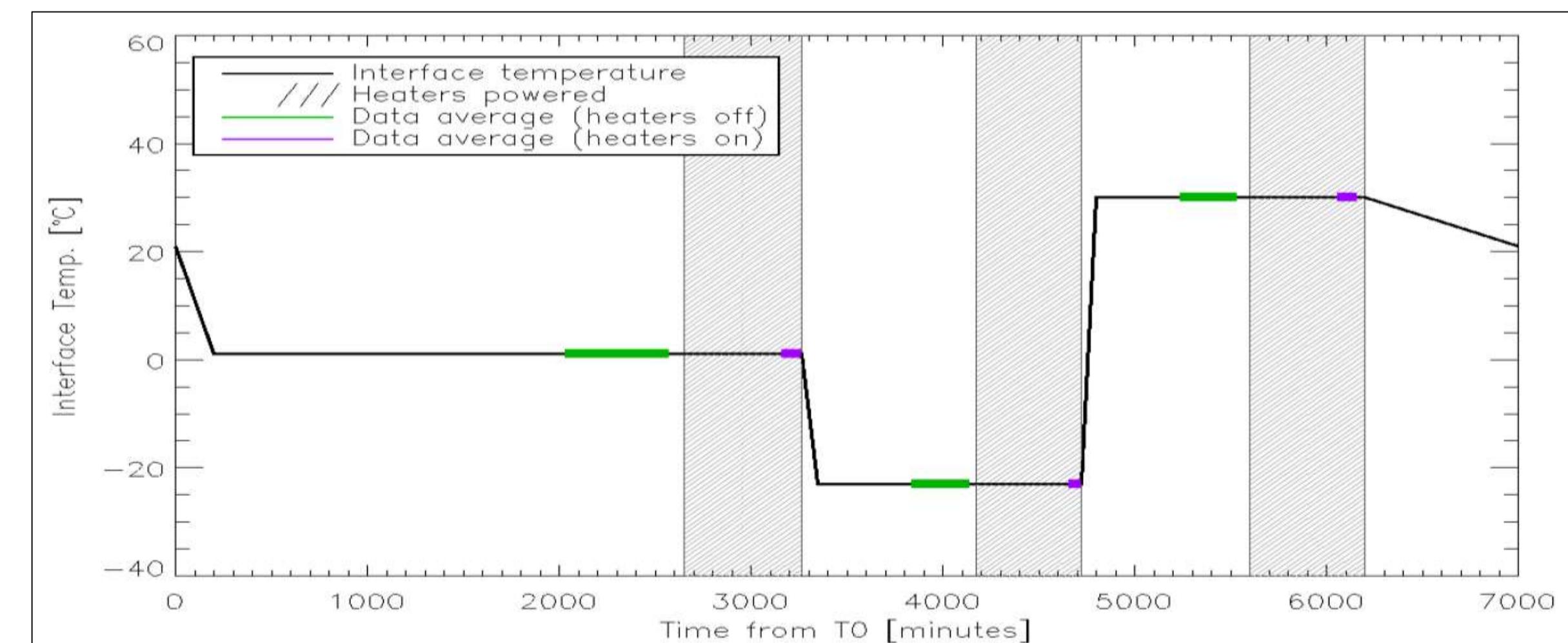
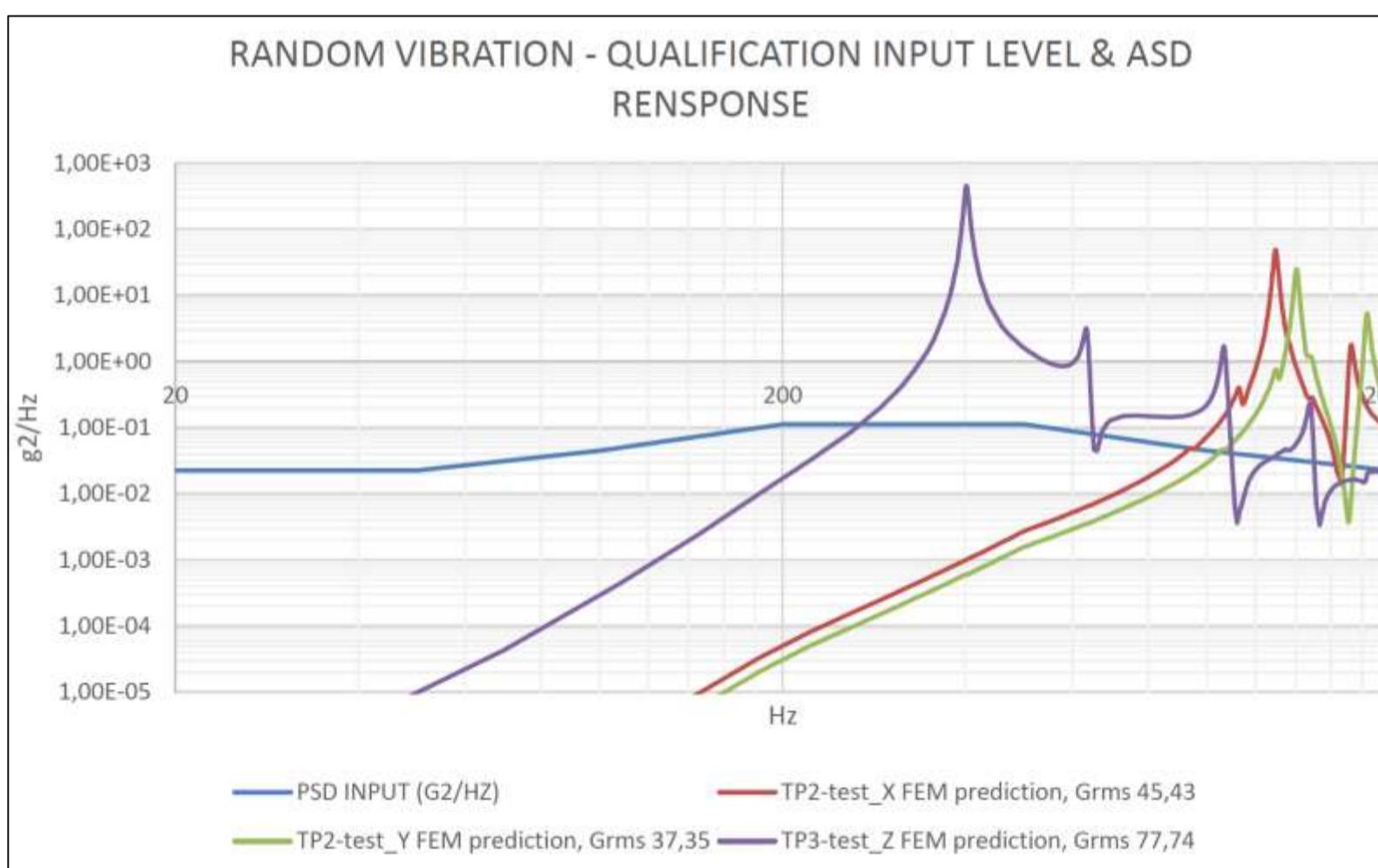
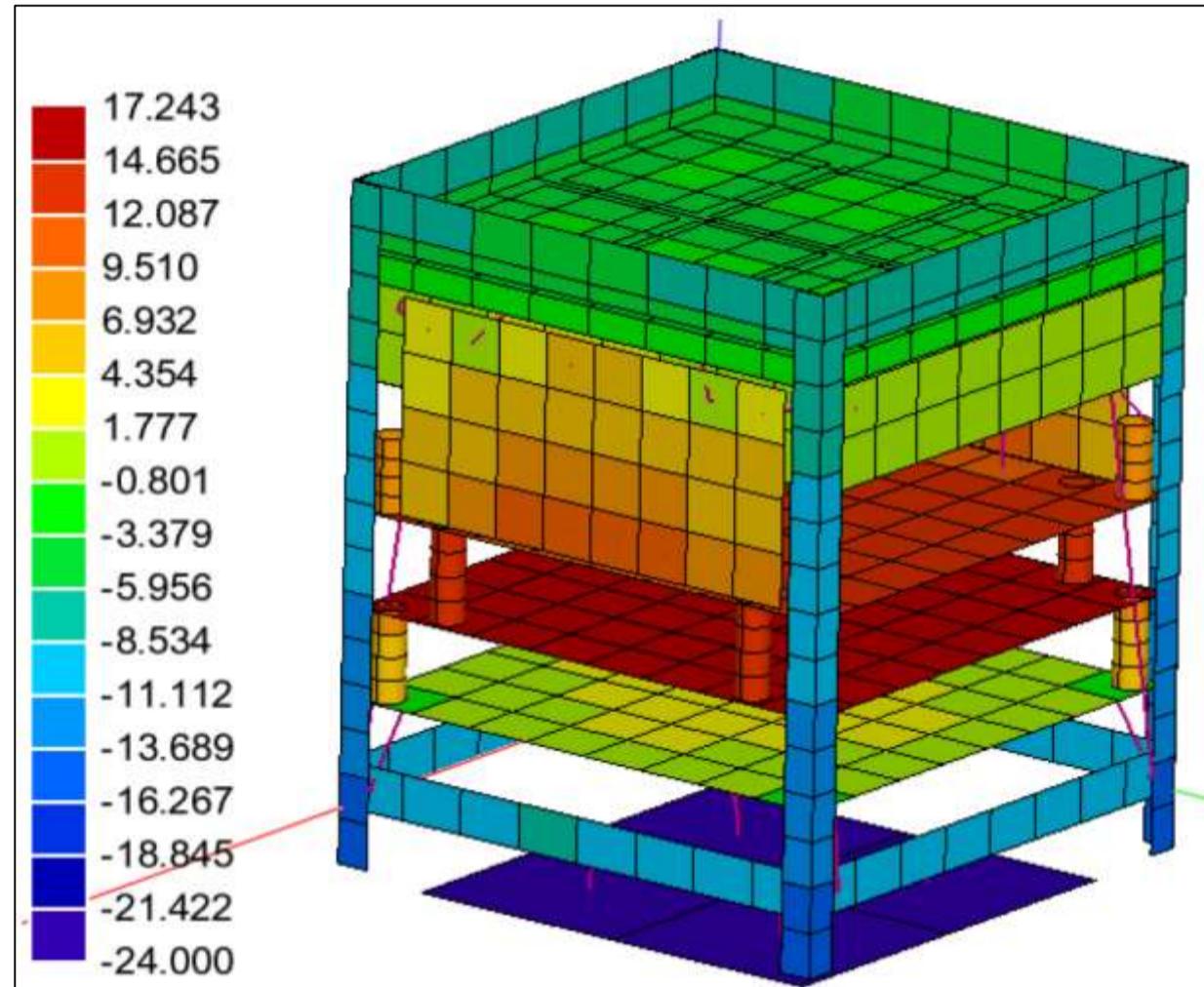
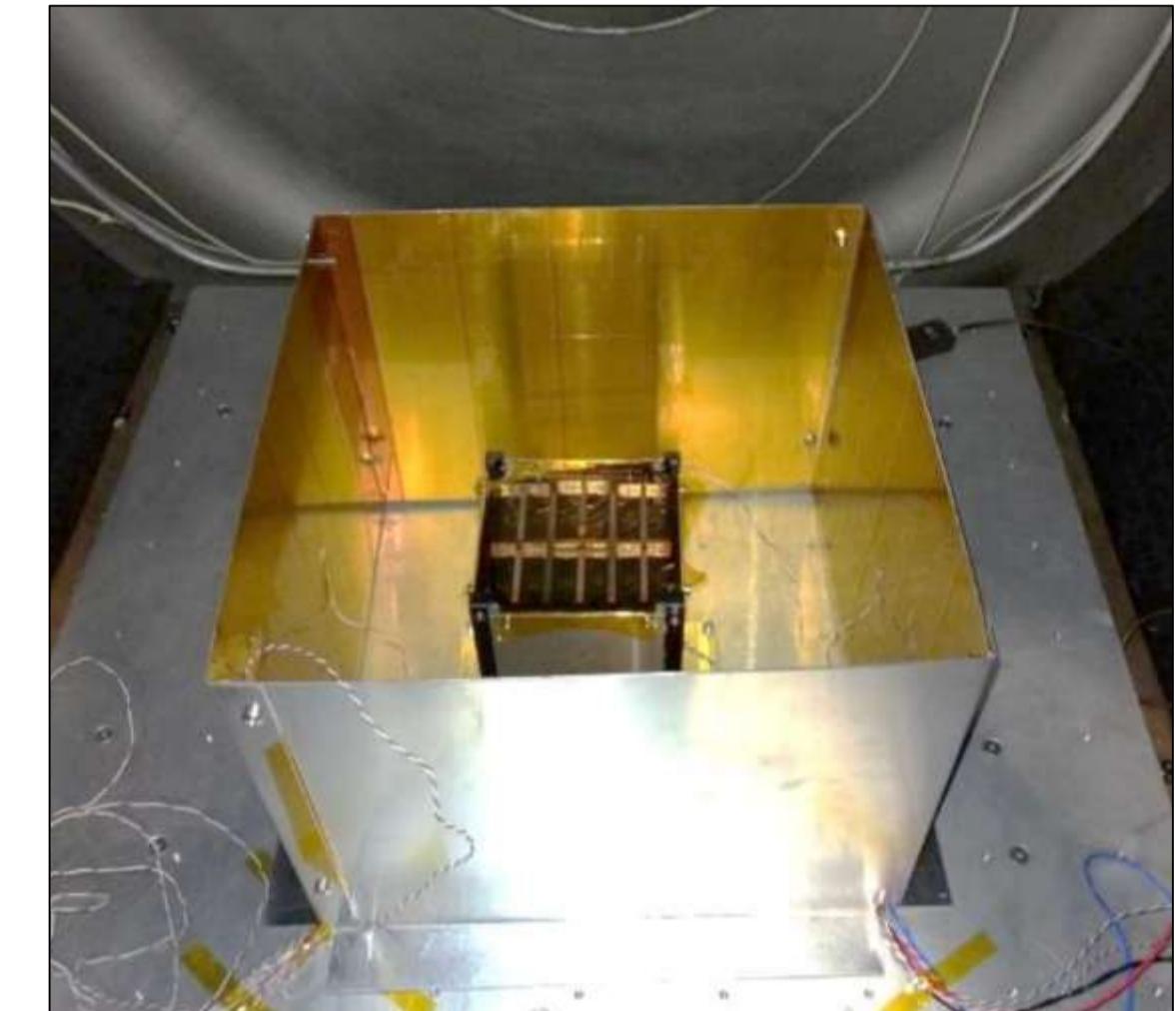


Sensor ID	Anode number	Anode current @ 20 °C [pA]	Sensor ID	Anode number	Anode current @ 20 °C [pA]
W010-4	1	44	W140-3	1	41
	2	40		2	77
	3	35		3	88
	4	83		4	63
	5	33		5	60
	6	62		6	42
	7	76		7	86
	8	30		8	83
	9	34		9	61
	10	37		10	60
W115-3	1	33	W248-3	1	26
	2	90		2	53
	3	46		3	51
	4	44		4	49
	5	33		5	48
	6	34		6	23
	7	85		7	47
	8	44		8	58
	9	42		9	47
	10	35		10	43

High performance SDD arrays representative of FM detectors



DM ENVIRONMENTAL TESTS



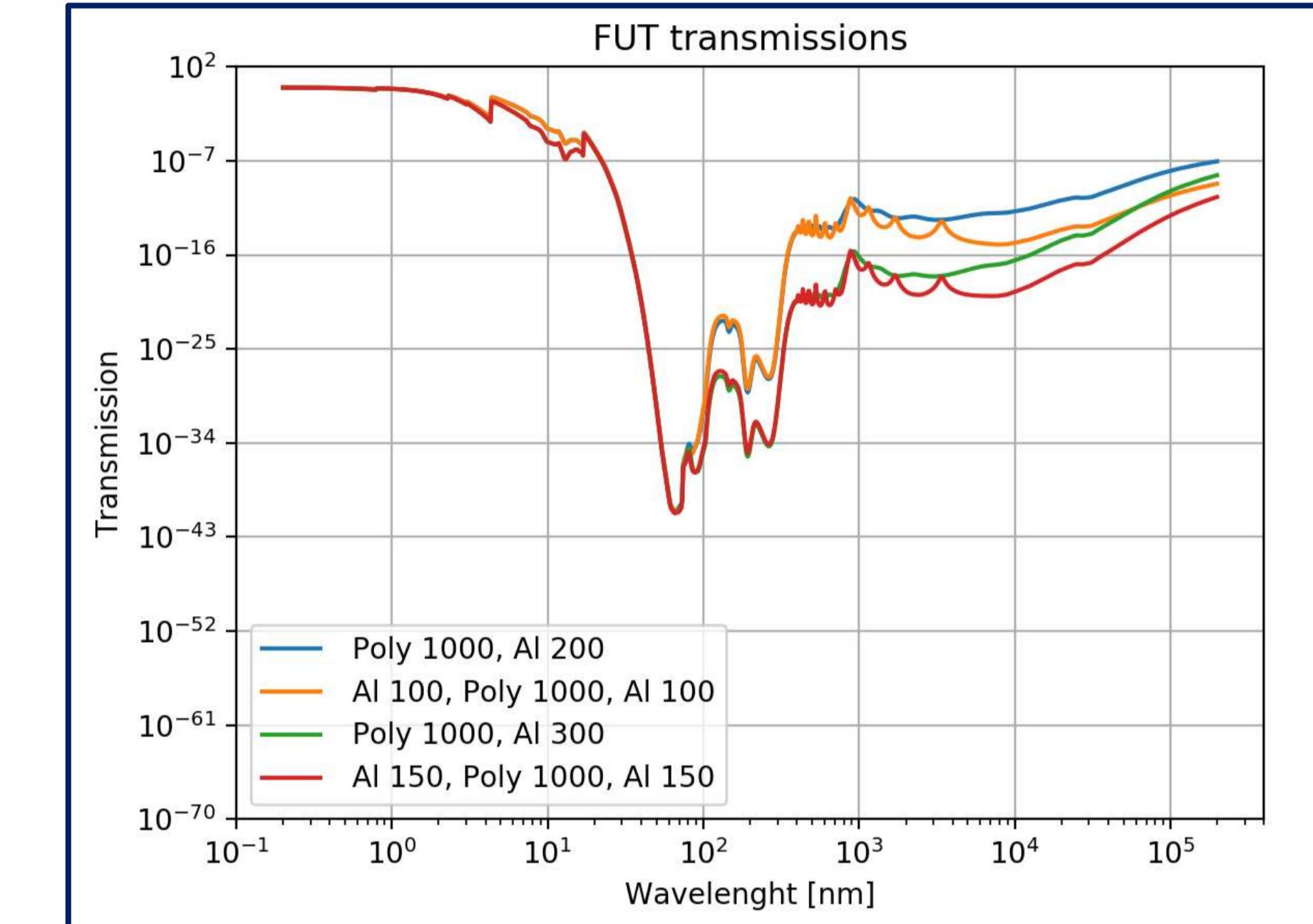
P/L Mechanical design verified with
Ariane V qualification levels (+3db) @
PoliMi shaker facility

P/L Thermal design verified with thermal balance test (TBT)
@ PoliMi TVAC facility



A dark blue background representing space, featuring a glowing ring of light around the Earth's horizon and numerous small white stars. The Earth is visible below, showing green landmasses and blue oceans with bright white city lights concentrated along coastlines and rivers.

TANK YOU



Filter is part of optical and thermal design of the P/L → prime task is to prevent NIR/O/UV light from reaching the SDD (leakage current generation) for wavelengths shorter of 1130 nm (Silicon band-gap).

Required transmission is $< 10^{-7}$ in $10^2\text{-}10^5$ nm

HERMES filters manufactured by IHEP (Beijing).

THERMAL ENVIRONMENT AND RADIATION DAMAGE

