



#### **GLAST Large Area Telescope:**

Collaboration Meeting September 28-30, 2004

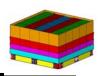
# AntiCoincidence Detector: From Rome 2003 to SLAC 2004

David J. Thompson, Subsystem Manager Thomas E. Johnson, Instrument Manager Alex A. Moiseev, Lead Scientist

NASA Goddard Space Flight Center



#### **Anti-Coincidence Detector**



- One year ago where we were
- Top level tasks for this year. ACD people
- ACD system structure major components
  - Detectors
  - Electronics
    - PMT
  - Mechanical structure
    - GSE
  - ACD performance analysis
    - Conclusion



#### Tasks for this year. ACD people

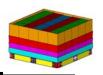


We have solved numerous tasks during last years. For this year we have the only task – build flight ACD





#### One year ago - where we were



### We were in Rome: Basic ACD design was finished

GAFE – final design has not chosen yet

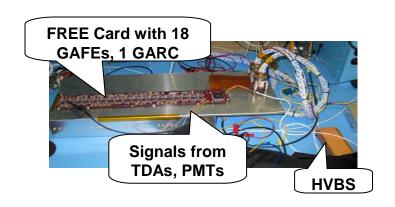
EGSE – not received yet

HVBS – designed, some parts not approved yet

Mechanical structure – some panels built

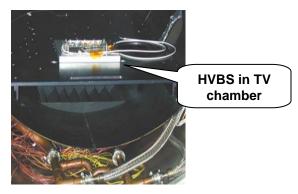
Tile Detector Assembly (TDA) - prototyped

PMT – ready for flight assembly





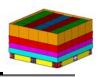




**Alexander Moiseev** 



#### Where we are now?



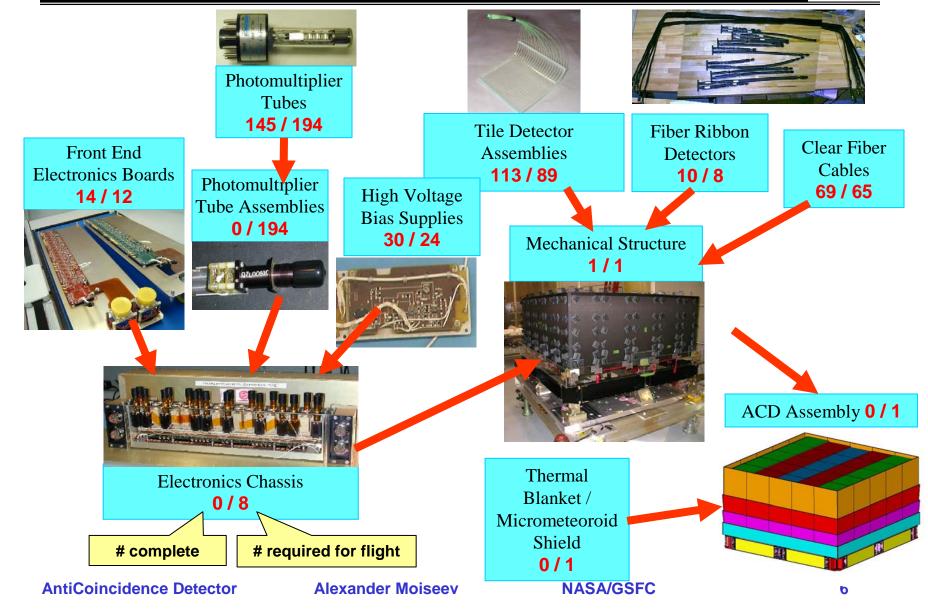
## Now we are at SLAC and one more year closer to 2007

- Design finished in details
- All fabrication documentation is in place
- Most parts are ready for the integration to ACD
- Numerous problems, which are common for hardware fabrication phase, are solved (tens and tens of EO's, PR's, PFR's); some remaining being solved



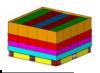
#### **ACD Assembly Flow and Build Status**

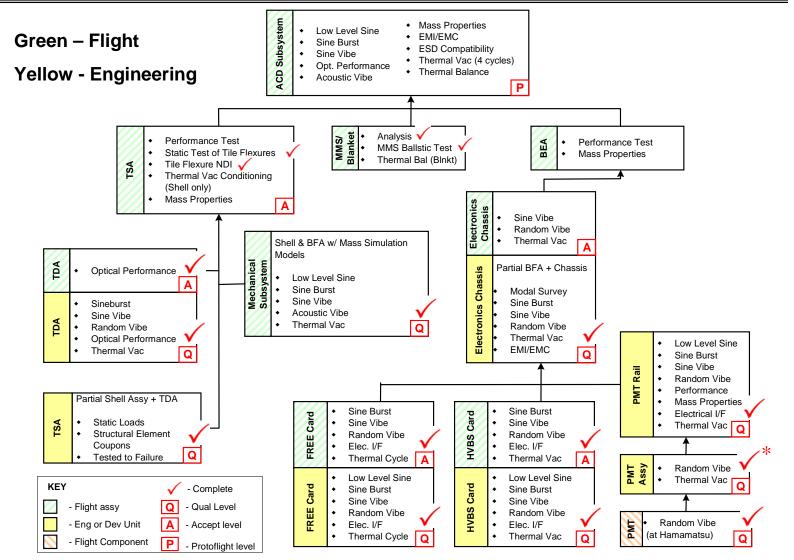






#### **ACD Environmental Test Flow**

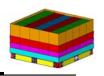






**ACD** 

#### **Detectors - TDA's**

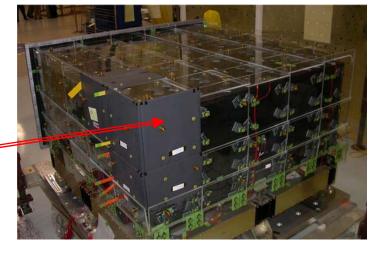


#### ACD contains 89 tile detectors (TDA's) and 8 scintillating fiber ribbons

- **TDA:** 17 different designs depending on their place in ACD. There are spare tiles for every type
- every TDA except bottom row, has its own clear fiber cable (light guide) to connect detector with PMT
- every TDA has passed acceptance test which includes "tomography" to map light yield uniformity over the tile area
- light yield from every TDA (created by cosmic muons) was measured with assigned clear fiber cable to determine light attenuation in cable

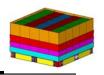
- 113 TDA's (flight and spare) are made and tested; ready for integration in







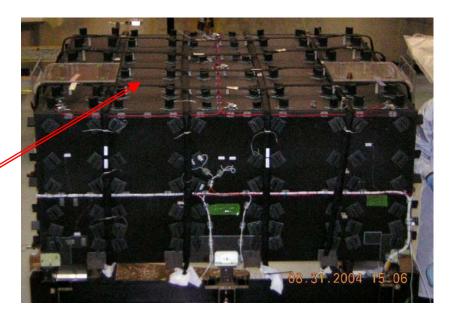
#### **Detectors – fiber ribbons**



- There are 8 scintillating fiber ribbons in ACD to seal the gaps between TDA's. It was shown that without ribbons ACD would not achieve required charged particle efficiency
- There are 4 different ribbon configuration of that 8
- All ribbons (plus spares) are built and tested, yielding ~ 4 photoelectrons from muon passing in the middle of ribbon

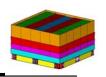






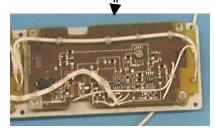


#### **Electronics**



- There are 12 Front End Electronics Boards (FREE) in ACD + 2 spares
- Each board can support up to 18 channels. It contains front end analog (GAFE) ASIC per each channel and one digital (GARC) ASIC
- Each FREE has two High Voltage Uprits (HVBS), main and redundant, to power PMT's (24 to fly + 6 spares)
- Each FREE will be integrated in chassis with PMT's
- All FREE boards, including HVBS, are made, tested and ready for integration in ACD

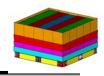




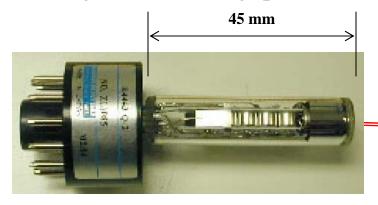




#### **PMT**



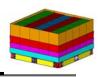
- There are 194 PMT's in ACD
- We use Hamamatsu R4443 tubes, which is a ruggedized version of popular R647 tube
- Each tube has its own low current (<2 μA) resistor divider, big challenge to build in such limited space
- Currently this is a biggest problem in ACD we are modifying PMT housing to reduce thermal stress on PMT at low temperature. The new design is now being qualified







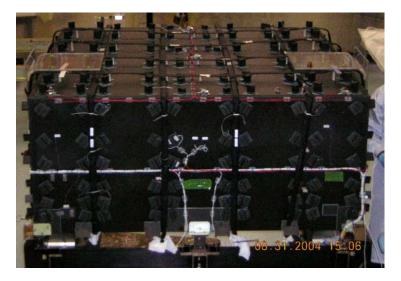
#### **Mechanical structure**



## Built, fully tested, equipped with accelerometers and thermistors and ready to host ACD detectors

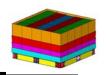




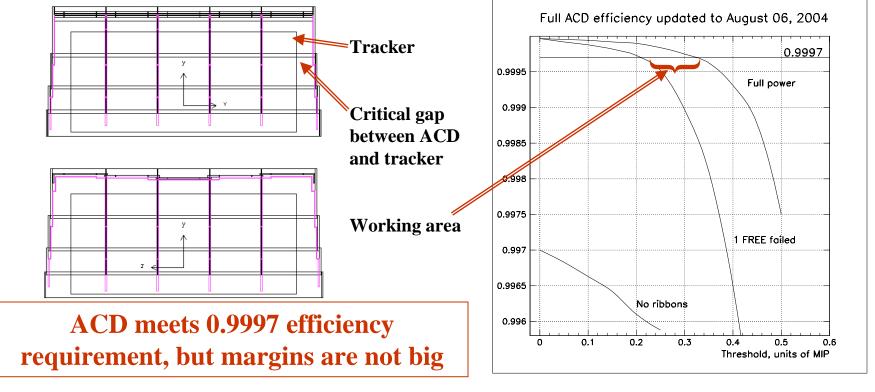




#### **ACD Performance analysis**

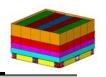


- Now we have real and exact ACD geometry
- Now we have all flight detectors performance measured
- Following the concept presented in Rome, all this was put in ACD simulations to determine single charged relativistic particles detection efficiency





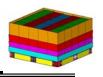
#### How to get data out from ACD: EGSE



- ACD hardware is being built have to test the data coming out of it
- It was a long waiting time to receive EGSE test stand!
- G3 test script progress:
- Most scripts have been written and tested
  - EMI Test Scripts have been defined
  - Still have an issue with event rates, including some crashes of the system issues are being worked.



#### Conclusion



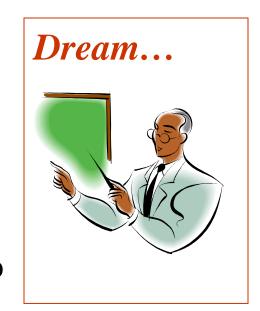
Flight ACD integration has started



Most problems solved



 Remaining issues: PMT housing and data taking (EGSE)



 And, of course, very heavy struggle to keep schedule and budget