

# GLAST Science Requirements Document

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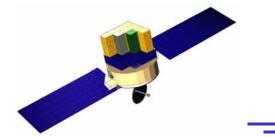
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**GLAST** Requirements Development Process

GLAST scientific requirements developed and sanctioned by NASA and DOE committees over past ~5 years

## Foundation

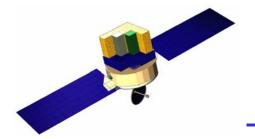
•	EGRET science	1991-2000
•	SR&T/ATD/DOE GLAST development programs	1994-1999
Co	mmittees / Working Groups	
•	NASA Gamma Ray Astronomy Program Working Group (GRAPWG)	1997-1999
•	NASA SEU Subcommittee	1997-2000
•	DOE Scientific Assessment Group for Experiments on Non-Accelerator Physics (SAGENAP)	1998-1999
•	NAS Decadal Review of Astronomy & Astrophysics	1999-2000
•	GLAST Facility Science Team	1998-1999
٠	GLAST Science Working Group	2000-



## Facility Science Team (FST)

- Formed by NASA in 1997 to develop GLAST science and generate Science Requirements Document (SRD)
- Members chosen from astrophysics and particles physics communities. Technology development team members, community data experts and theoreticians included.
- Final report is SRD. Signed off at NASA in January 2000. FST disbanded in June 1999.
- FST Membership
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  - Guido Barbiellini (Trieste)
  - Elliott Bloom (SLAC)
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  - Brenda Dingus (Utah)
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### **GLAST SRD**

SIGNATURE PAGE

Gamma-ray Large Area Space Telescope

**Science Requirements Document** 

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6/25/99 Date Prof. Peter Michelson

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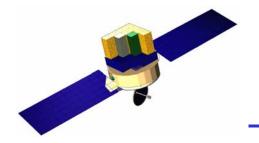
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## Sources Classes Predicted for GLAST

Source Class

Active Galactic Nuclei (AGN)

Diffuse Cosmic Background

Gamma Ray Bursts (GRBs)

Molecular Clouds, Supernova Remnants Normal Galaxies

Galactic Neutrons Stars (NS) &

Black Holes (BHs)

Unidentified Gamma-ray Sources

Dark Matter

**Basis for Prediction** 

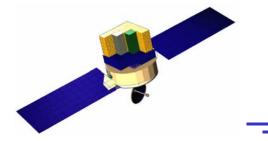
EGRET quasars

EGRET, Theory

EGRET, BATSE, Milagrito

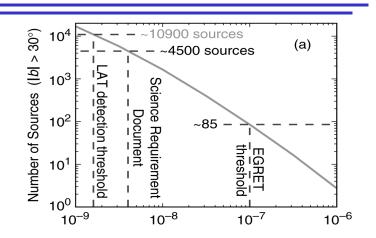
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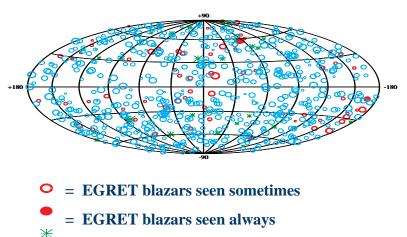


## Requirements Flowdown, AGN

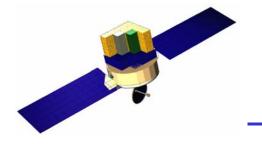
- Objectives
  - Determine population of gamma-ray AGN
  - Measure spectra of AGN to study source physics
  - Detect AGN flares
- Requirements
  - Broad energy range (20 MeV >300 GeV) for spectroscopy
  - Good energy res. (<10%) for spectroscopy
  - Large area (>8000 cm<sup>2</sup>) for flare studies
  - Large FOV (>2 sr) for flare detection





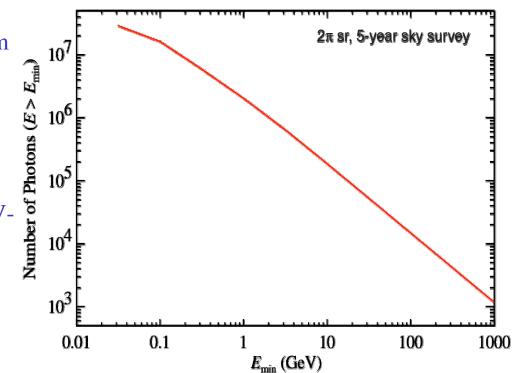


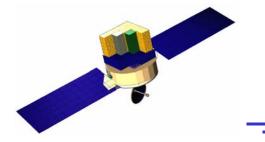
- = EGRET unidentified high-latitude variables
- = Simulated GLAST 20 AGN detections



# Requirements Flowdown, Cosmic Background

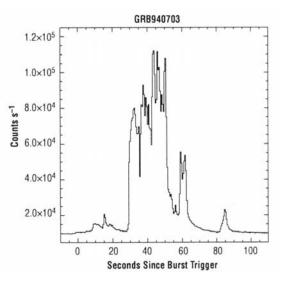
- Objectives
  - Determine origin of cosmic flux
  - Measure broadband spectrum
  - Resolve out sources
- Requirements
  - Reject unwanted particle background (10<sup>5</sup>:1)
  - Broad energy range (20 MeV-300 GeV)



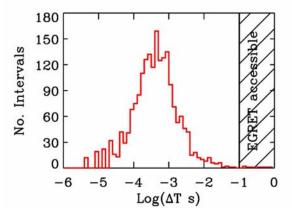


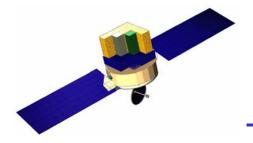
## Requirements Flowdown, GRBs

- Objectives
  - Determine physical mechanism of GRB explosions
  - Find GRB classifications
  - Measure broad-band spectrum for physical studies
  - Study GRB afterglows
- Requirements
  - Large FOV (>2 sr) for detecting large number of GRBs
  - Rapid recognition, localization and notification
  - Separate instrument for low energy gamma rays
  - Goal: autonomous S/C repointing



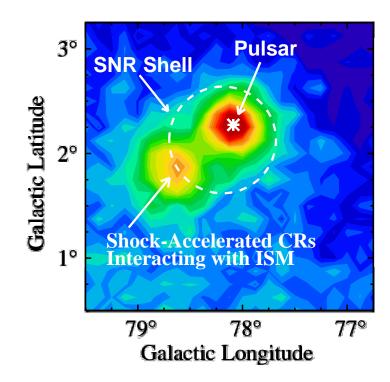
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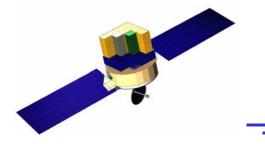


# Requirements Flowdown, Clouds & Supernovae

- Objectives
  - Determine sites and mechanisms of particle acceleration in Galaxy
  - Study cosmic ray confinement in galaxies
  - Resolve angular structure of molecular clouds, supernova remnants and galaxies
  - Measure spectra
- Requirements
  - Good (< 1) angular resolution
  - Good spectral resolution (<30%)

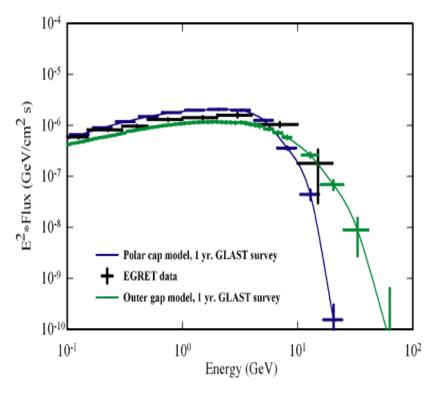


#### **GLAST SNR Simulation**

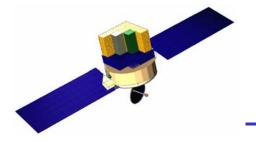


## Requirements Flowdown, NSs & BHs

- Objectives
  - Determine physics of pulsars and BH jets
  - Discover new pulsars
  - Search for radio-quiet pulsars
  - Determine NS population of Galaxy
  - Discover galactic BH jets through gamma-ray detection
- Requirements
  - Good (10%) spectral resolution
  - Absolute timing to 10 μsec

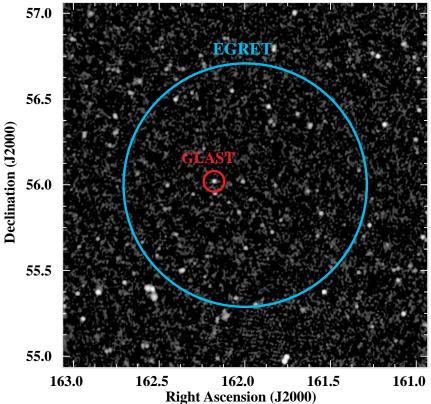


#### Modeled Pulsar Spectra



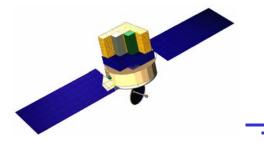
# Requirements Flowdown, unidentified Sources

- Objectives
  - Discover nature of unidentified sources
  - Learn about new types of galactic and extragalactic objects
- Requirements
  - Accurate (few arcmin) source locations
  - Broad energy range for spectral studies and correlation with other wavelengths



Lockman Hole

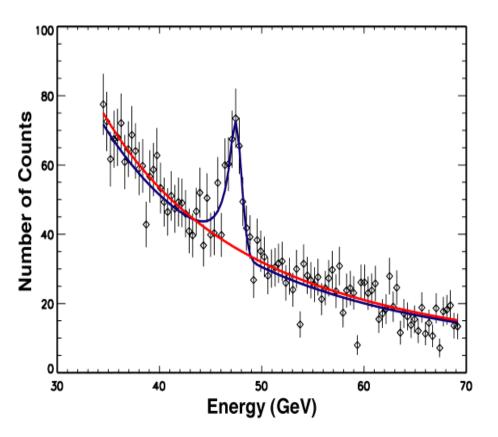
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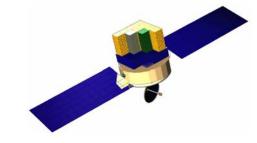


## Requirements Flowdown, Dark Matter

- Objectives
  - Search for dark matter signatures with gamma rays
  - Perform detailed spectroscopy at high energies (<10 GeV) over wide regions of sky
- Requirements
  - Broad energy range (to >300 GeV)
  - Goal: Excellent spectral resolution (2%) at high energies (>10 GeV)

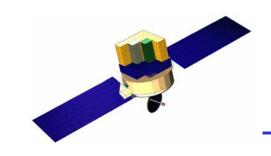
Dark Matter Modeled Spectral Line





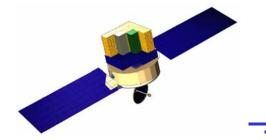
## **GLAST LAT Requirements**

Quantity	EGRET	GLAST Requirement	GLAST Goal	Science Driver
Energy Range	20 MeV - 30 GeV	20 MeV - 300 GeV	10 MeV - >300 GeV	ALL
Energy Resolution	10%	10% (100 MeV-10 GeV) <sup>1</sup>	2% (E > 10 GeV)	ALL
Effective Area <sup>2</sup>	1500 cm <sup>2</sup>	8000 cm <sup>2</sup>	> 10,000 cm <sup>2</sup>	ALL
Single Photon Angular Resolution - 68% <sup>3</sup> (on-axis)	5.8° (@100 MeV)	< 3.5° (@100 MeV) < 0.15° (E > 10 GeV)	< 2° (@ 100 MeV) < 0.1° (E > 10 GeV)	ALL
Single Photon Angular Resolution - 95% <sup>3</sup> (on-axis)		$< 3 \ x \ \theta_{68\%}$	2 x θ <sub>68%</sub>	ALL
Single Photon Angular		< 1.7 times on-axis	< 1.5 times on-axis	ALL
<b>Resolution</b> (off axis at FWHM of FOV)				
Field of View <sup>4</sup>	0.5 sr	2 sr	>3 sr	ALL
Source Location <sup>5,8</sup> Determination	5 - 30 arcmin	1-5 arcmin	30 arcsec - 5 arcmin	Unidentified EGRET Sources, GRBs
Point Source Sensitivity <sup>6,8</sup> (> 100 MeV)	~1 x 10 <sup>-7</sup> cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	4 x 10 <sup>-9</sup> cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>	$< 2 \text{ x } 10^{-9} \text{ cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$	AGN, Unidentifieds, Pulsars, GRBs



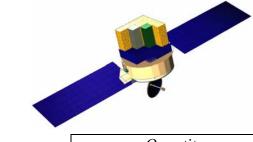
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Quantity	EGRET	GLAST Requirement	GLAST Goal	Science Driver
Time Accuracy	0.1 ms	10 $\mu$ sec absolute <sup>7</sup>	2 $\mu$ sec absolute <sup>7</sup>	Pulsars, GRBs
Background Rejection	> 10 <sup>6</sup> :1	> 10 <sup>5</sup> :1	> 10 <sup>6</sup> :1	ALL, Especially Diffuse
Dead Time	100 ms/event	< 100 µs /event	<10% instrument ave. for bursts up to 10kHz (<20 µs/event)	GRBs
Transients			Complementary low-energy observations	GRBs,Primordial BHs
			Trigger and location for S/C repointing	
			High efficiency recognition and reconstruction of multi- $\gamma$ events	



## Expected Performance of the Gamma-Ray Burst Monitor

Quantity	Baseline
<b>Energy Range</b>	Low energy gamma-ray, X-ray
Field of View	>~3 sr
Sensitivity	0.5 photons cm <sup>-2</sup> s <sup>-1</sup>



## **GLAST** Mission Requirements

Quantity	GLAST Requirement	GLAST Goal	Science Driver
Mission Life	5 years, with no more than 20% degradation	10 years	ALL
Telemetry Downlink - Orbit Average	300 kbps 1 kbps near-realtime for notifying ground of transients in progress	>1 Mbps	GRBs,AGN,ALL
Telemetry Uplink	4 kbps	1 kbps near-realtime for notifying GLAST of transients in progress	GRBs,AGN,ALL
Spacecraft Repointing		< 5 min. autonomous	GRBs,AGN
<b>Pointing Accuracy</b> <sup>1</sup>	2° accuracy <30 arcsec knowledge		ALL
<b>Observing Modes</b>	Rocking zenith pointing Pointed mode		ALL
Targeting		Point anywhere in the sky at any time. More than 1 target per orbit.	ALL
Spacecraft Clock Accuracy	8 $\mu$ sec absolute <sup>2</sup>	1 $\mu$ sec absolute <sup>2</sup>	PULSARS,GRBs
Spacecraft Position Accuracy	3 km	1 km	PULSARS,GRBs
Data Loss Data Corruption	< 2 % < 10 <sup>-10</sup> undetected corrupted event fraction		ALL