Penetrating particle Analyzer (PAN) for deep space exploration

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Penetrating Particle Analyzer

Space radiation environment

- Galactic Cosmic Rays (GCRs):
	- "Static" component, inward diffusion
	- 85% protons, 4% helium particles and 1% heavy ions and 2% electrons
	- Dominant at high energy (Difficult to shield)
	- Modulated by solar activities (Balanced by outward expansion of solar wind)
	- Affected by local magnetic field

Space radiation environment

- Solar Energetic Particles (SEPs):
	- Rare but intense, largest flux happens during maximum solar activity
	- 92% protons, 6% Helium particles, 2% heavy ions
	- Associate to solar flares, coronal mass ejection (CME)
	- Energy mostly under 1000 MeV
	- Flux can reach > 1000 times of GCR flux
	- Currently not predictable

PAMELA SPE 2006-2014 (ApJ 862:97, 2018) **GCR (SPENVIS)**

Space radiation environment

- Trapped particles in radiation belts
	- Van Allen belts (keV-100MeV electrons, protons)
	- **Jupiter**, Saturn, Uranus and Neptune
	- Jupiter radiation belt (20000 times stronger than Earth, ~100 GeV protons can be trapped)
- Albedo particles
	- Particles generated at the surface by GCR/SEP (reflection, activation)

Motivation • Many instrumer

- limited to a few
	- $IMP-8(1973)$ SOHO (199
- \sim Geo flux only n missions at high
	- AMS-02 (20
	- Dependend
		- Rate drop b

Nature Astro. V3, 1013-1

 $E(GeV/N)$

Objectives

- PAN Versatile multi-disciplinary instrument
	- Precise monitor charged particles from 30 MeV/n to 10 GeV/n
- objective also includes:
	- Solar physics study
	- Space weather model improvement
	- Radiation environment measurement in different planetary system(Lunar, Jupiter)
	- On-board dosimetry for deep space travel
	- Anti-matter search

Mini-PAN instrument

Challenge of measuring penetrating particles

- Energy of penetrating particles cannot be measured by the ΔF -F method
	- ~4 cm of Silicon needed to stop 100 MeV protons completely
		- **To stop 1 GeV protons 170 cm of Silicon is needed!**
	- Silicon nuclear interaction length = 46.52 cm
		- More likely to produce a **shower of secondary particles** (including the dangerous neutrons)
		- Calorimeter method: **very heavy, with bad resolution**
	- Similarly relativistic electrons shower in thick material

Instruments for space radiation

EPT (Energetic Particle Telescope) Dimension: $13 \times 16 \times 21$ cm³ Mass: 4.6 kg Power consumption: 5.6 W Dynamic range: proton (9-300 MeV) Helium (36 - 1200 MeV) Mission: Proba-V

SREM (Standard Radiation Environment Monitor) Dimension: $9.5 \times 12 \times 22$ cm³ Mass: 2.64 kg Consumption: 2.5 W Dynamic range: electrons from 0.3 MeV to 6 MeV and protons from 8 to 300 MeV Mission: Integral, Rosseta, Planck, etc

RAD (Radiation Assessment Detector) Dimension: 240 cm3 Mass: 1.56 kg Power consumption: 4.2 W 10-100MeV/n, also measure neutrons and gammas Mission: Mars Rover

Penetrating Particle Analyzer (PAN)

ASR,V63,2672-2682(2019)

- Instrument featuring a compact magnetic spectrometer to measure the bending of charged particles in the B-field -> rigidity (p/Z)
- Magnetic spectrometer = magnetic field + tracking detectors

PAN Consortium

²nd PAN workshop @ Prague 2021.10

- ~30 people involved
- University of Geneva (coordinator)
- INFN Perugia
- Czech Technical University in Prague Magnet design and tests: Pierre Thonet, Carlo, Petrone, M.Liebsch, and Guy Deferne - (CERN)

Mini-PAN demonstrator: Project funded by EU

Mini-PAN detector

Magnet (UniGe)

- 2 Halbach permanent magnet sectors
- Dipolar magnetic field of 0.4 Tesla
- Each 5 cm long and 5 cm diameter

Silicon Strip (UniGe, INFN Perugia)

- 25 um pitch (X) 2048 strips for bending plane
- 400 um pitch (Y) 128 strips for non-bending plane
- Energy measurement and trigger

Pixel (CTU)

- Two modules providing Time of Arrival (1.6 ns resolution) and Time over Threshold
- 262, 144 pixels (512 x 512), 55 um Si pixels
- Timepix3 or Timepix4

Time of Flight (TOF) (UniGe)

- Plastic scintillators (EJ-230) readout by SiPMs
- ASIC is TRIROC (Time), CITIROC (Energy)
- Charge Measurement $(Z = 1-26)$
- Time measurement and trigger

MiniPAN Detector

- Weight(Detector): ~9 kg
- Power consumption(front-end electronics):Tracker 6W +Pixel 8W +TOF 3W

TOF->Pixel->Tracker->Tracker->Tracker->Pixel->TOF

MiniPAN Expected performance

- Excellent energy resolution
	- Aim to reach <5 μm (goal) hit resolution, 15-20% @ 1GeV for protons
	- Acceptance from one end: 2.1 cm²sr for crossing 2 sectors, extra 4.2 for crossing 1 sector
	- ~1 Hz recording rate from GCR with 2-sectors(best precision)
	- 1-1.1 GeV estimated rate: 1 event per 10 seconds (2-sectors)

• Proton intensity at 1 GeV: 4 m² sr s/ MeV(estimated from page 5)

Magnet

Each sector is a 16-block Halback array

The blocks will be glued with space-qualified epoxy

Table 1 - Main design parameters

Magnet

Magnet frame

Polarity aligned by pins

Distance between two units: 12 mm

Magnetic Field Meausrement

MiniPAN Magnet at the 3D mapper CERN Magnetic Measurements Lab

Silicon strip detector

1.Silicon Wafer common properties for both types of silicon strip detectors:

Device type: Single side AC-readout/double metal Silicon type: N-type, Phosphorus doped Crystal orientation: <100> Chip thickness: 150±15m Front and back side metal: Al Full depletion voltage: Max. 50 V Breakdown voltage: Min. 100 V Tot. Leakage current (at $1.5V \times V$ depletion): Max. 3 μ A 2. Silicon Strip X sensor properties:

X sensor overall size: $59000 \pm 20 \times 59000 \pm 20 \text{ }\mu\text{m}$ Active Area: 51200 × 51200 µm Number of Strips: 2048 ch Strip pitch: 25 µm Strip width: 13 µm Readout AL width: 10 µm Readout PAD pitch: 96 µm 3. Silicon Strip Y sensor properties

Y sensor overall size: $59000 \pm 20 \times 59000 \pm 20 \mu m$ Active area Circular with $D = 51200 \mu m$ Number of Strips: 128 ch Strip pitch: 400 µm Strip width: 380 µm Readout Al width: 10 µm Readout PAD pitch: 91.2(lines) um

Strip Orientation

Zigzag shape: Al routing

Silicon strip detector

4x2 digitization chains

1x Hamamtsu sensor + routing

DAQ connectors

IDE1140 VA 0-400 fC 6.5 us

4x8 Ideas

HV filters

shaping

Type A, IV curve

Strip-X FE board

Type B, IV curve

Silicon strip detector

Strip-Y FE board

Read out by VATAGP7 128 channels 500 ns shaping time Can provide trigger

Tracker

Mini.PAN consists of three tracker modules (two at the extremities of the detector and one between two magnets).

Each tracker module is composed of two Strip-X (bending coordinate) and one Strip-Y detector.

A more compact mechanics for tracker module

Three trackers with different layout

Tracker performance

Pixels

TimePix3 quad detector:

- 262,144 pixels with pixel pitch 55 µm
- 4 Sensors in total 2.8 \times 2.8 cm
- Simutaneuously ToA and ToT measurement in each pixel
- Sensor thickness: 300 µm
- ToA binning: down to 1.56 ns

Pixel performance

Beam spot

Pixels at beam test 120 GeV pions

Pixel performance

a) High power mode

b) Low power mode

- No significant performance loss in analogue low power mode
- Power consumption/Temperature: LP: ~4 W - 50-60°C

HP: ~6 W - 70-80°C

Pixel performance

Challenge for Pixel

Without cooling, temperature reaches as high as 100 degree

P. Burian *et al* 2019 *JINST* **14** C01001

TOF

Plastic scintillators(EJ-230) SiPMs: S13360-6050, 1325, etc Reflector: 3M ESR ASICs: Citiroc(Charge), Triroc(Time)

Scintillators

- 65*65*6mm (larger than tracker)
- Trade-off between fast time constant and light yield.
- Trade-off between light yield/time resolution and particle threshold(Minimum energy to cross TOF :~30 MeV for protons).

SiPM finger plot measured by Citiroc

S13360-1325

• Gains are parameterized by temperature, operating voltage in the analysis.

 51.85 ± 0.06

 51.90 ± 0.03

 0.057 ± 0.002

 0.054 ± 0.002

 -9.2 ± 0.2

 -10.2 ± 0.2

S13360-6025

S13360-1325

• 1 mm SiPMs (good linearity < 1500 PE) are used for desaturation of 6 mm SiPMs.

TOF Front-end board

Citiroc:

- 0-400 pC
- Can provide trigger
- 4.84 mW per channel
- 16 channels are used

Triroc:

- Time resolution: 88 ps (RMS)
- Provide trigger
- 10 mW per channel
- 8 channels are used

TOF performance

15 GeV proton beam at PS Fitted by gaussian convoluted landau distribution

Low energy proton beam at PAVIA

TOF performance

• Time resolution

Best time resolution achieved: 40 ps for He particles

Time resolution ∝ 1/sqrt(n)

MiniPAN interningger

Trig in (TTL)

Ext Trigger

PIXEL

GPIO boards for TOF and each tracker boards TOF provides trigger for entire system.

Beam test

202111 PS

- Three Tracker modules
- first version of mechanics

202208 SPS

- Integral pixels in mechanics
- motion control
- integrate magnets

• 2 TOF scintillator

module

202206 PS

- +
- Pixels
- First TOF modules
- thermal control

202209 PS

- final TOF modules
- TOF mechanics
- Test box
- **(first assembly of whole miniPAN detector)**

Beam test

202306 CNAO(Italy)

- 115-400 MeV/n carbon beam
- TOF front-end board integration 202307 CNAO(Italy)
- 62-200 MeV proton beam

202310 SPS

- Ion beam
- Time trigger
- DAQ software integration

202211 SPS

• first ion beam

202304 PS

- StripY readout
- compact assembly of front-end electronics and detector

202308 SPS

Synchronization of miniPAN detector

… 202312 Trento

• Low energy proton beam

Mini-PAN performance

ØPosition resolution

Residual distribution (180 GeV pion beam 2022 Aug) • Spatial dependancy

- Alignment of each detector with 6 parameters (translation and rotation).
- Minimization of global chisquare of reconstructed trackes in the XZ and YZ planes.
- Layer 1,8 pixel detectors
- Layer 2-7 strip-X detectors
- Core vaussian sigma is considered as position resolution.

KR 2123

 $3.372e-05 \pm 4.341e-07$
-3.471e-06 ± 2.759e-06

 0.0003718 ± 0.000004

5.707e-06 ± 3.777e-07

 $3.158e - 05 \pm 3.682e - 0$

- Contribution from multiple coulomb scattering is subtracted
- Consistent between 180 pion beam and 15 GeV proton beam

Mini-PAN performance

• Momentum resolution (gaussian sigma)
Gaussian fitting on momentum distribution.

Mini-PAN performance

• Particle identification

Strip-X: 5 th largest strip Z up to $10 \rightarrow Z$ up to 17 Better resolution

P. Smolyanskiy et al 2021 JINST 16 P01022

Tracks are different for different particles $(e/p/\gamma)$

Spot size correlates with energy deposition

TOF: desaturate by 1 mm SiPMs Z up to $7 \rightarrow Z$ up to 20

Space qualification

- Vibration and shock tests on mechanical grade detectors completed successfully for the tracker.
- Pixel and TOF tests scheduled later this year.
- Thermal test and thermal vacuum test may be conducted in the end

of the year.

Possible application

COMPASS

- Measure particle energy and flux at the Jupiter's radiation belts.
- Targeting sub-GeV/n to GeV/n.
- "Pix.PAN", which consists of 6 silicon pixel detectors is being considered
- COMPASS Study Reprot: G. Clark et al,, 10.22541/essoar.167751608.84
- Pix.PAN white paper: J. Hulsman et al., Submitted to Exp. Astro., https:/ 2743432/v1

REMEC

- Precisely measure and monitor the flux, composition and particle's dire magnetosphere.
- Targeting 10 MeV/n $-$ 10 GeV/n.
- Pix.PAN design studied as primarily payload

LUNAR Orbital Platform

- **Proposed as the Galactic cosmic rays detector on the Lunar Orbital Plate**
- Dandouras et al, Front. Astron. Space Sci. Volume 10 2023 doi:10.3389

Proposed to ESA's call "Reserve Pool of Science Activities for the Moon"

Pix.PAN

- Only 6 layers of Timepix4 detectors.
	- One type of detection element, simplicity in design.
	- Data-driven readout, ADC/TDC integrated in ASIC.
	- 195 ps time resolution
	- High rate capability, no saturation up to a hit rate of 385 Mz/cm2
	- Customized long pixel: 13.75 µm x 1760 µm ⇒ **hit resolution** ≲ **3 µm**

Summary

- Currently penetrating particle precise measurement and monitoring in deep space are still lacking.
- We developed a versatile instrument, miniPAN, with a wide range of potential applications, has potential to fill observation gap of galactic cosmic rays in deep space.
- Extensive tests were carried out to make it a promissing instrument for various scientific endeavours.
- REMEC is a L2/Lunar orbit mission concept currently under Phase0/A/B1 study supported by the Czech Republic and ESA, down selection in 2023
- Wer are actively looking for opportunities for deep space deployment.

Three open questions

- \triangleright Possible applications of the miniPAN detector
- ØSmall and compact magnetic spectrometer for deep space (Fill 1 GeV gap)
- ØJupiter radiation belt measurement

Mini-PAN

Student based cosmic-ray measurement project with balloon_A good proving place for space detector (like GRID)? There will be a fifth station which is suitable for balloon mission

AD

AIRCAS/空天院 is able to produce balloon which can carry 3.6 T payload and fly for >30 days.

They are waiting for scientific projects to explore South Antarctica.

Mini-PAN

Application in nuclear physics.

 \triangleright Heavy ion beams in Huizhou.

 \triangleright Small compact modulized magnetic spectrometer for each sub-beam.

Application in space(Low earth orbit) = Small AMS

- \triangleright Also for nuclear physics
- \triangleright Open data to study cross section of different isotopes

Small compact magnetic spectrometer in deep space

- Strip-like LGAD(Time measurement and Y measurement)
- Si Strip detector with
space qualified ASIC. (Maybe not important if we operate it inside the space station)
- Magnet(Only one magnet might be enough)

Best application place: Lunar space station/Lunar base.

We can transfer data back to earth periodly. Off-line analysis cross check with on-line analysis.

Probe Jupiter radiation belt

Deep space exploration

Tianwen-4 plan to visit Jupiter.

We just arrived at MARS

Jupiter missions

• NASA

Jupiter [edit]

- Pioneer program
	- . Pioneer 10, launched March 1972, completed first to the asteroid belt and Jupiter
	- . Pioneer 11, launched December 1974, completed asteroid belt and Jupiter, first to Saturn
- Voyager program
	- Voyager 1, launched September 1977, operational flybys of Jupiter and Saturn; extended mission to explore interstellar medium; most distant human-made object
	- Voyager 2, launched August 1977, operational flybys of Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune; extended mission to explore interstellar medium; first spacecraft to Uranus and Neptune
- Galileo, launched October 1989, completed Jupiter and its moons
- New Frontiers program
	- New Frontiers $2 -$ Juno, launched August 2011, operational Jupiter orbiter mission^[43]
- Europa Clipper, launching 2024, future

From wikipedia

Jupiter missions

• ESA-JUICE

The launch

Launch: 14 April 2023

Launch location: Europe's Spaceport in French Guiana

Launch vehicle: Ariane 5

Destination: Jupiter system

From ESA website

Jupiter radiation belt measurement

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Experimental Astronomy (2022) 54:745-789

Table 1 List of past, ongoing, and future missions to Jupiter's magnetosphere and radiation belts

Still a glimpse of the radiation belt.

Figure 1. Trajectories of the Pioneer, Voyager 1, Voyager 2 and Galileo missions in a magnetic frame (x axis is the magnetic equator) after [de Soria-Santacruz et al., 2016].

Composition of the radiation belt

Jupiter radius=L=7e4km

Difficulties

1, Detector saturation

2, Radiation damage

Possible particle detectors for Jupiter

radiation belt

Materials to produce light(eg. gas scintillator)

Different layer to divide energy bin

dE/dX method

Limited to a few 100 MeV

Insulate electronics from the belt.

Many tunable factors (light production rate by different material or density, light collection, etc) to avoid saturation problem

Radiation damage: Need validation. Maybe we just have to convert lights into current. Current proportional to proton intensity in each layer.

Might be able to disentangle Sulfur and Oxygen with different filling materials.

Photon sensitive device in Light guide $\overbrace{\hspace{1.5cm}}$ the center of the satelite

V1.0

Low energy-customized micro scale pixel detector with readout asics

Micro acceptance

A stack of single pixel detectors

Eg. 50 * 50 * 50um single pixel detector 4 pixels per sensor/layer

Insulation between each two pixels

No saturation and radiation damage problem.

But the maximum detection energy would be quite limited.

Multiple pixels per sensor help identify electrons and protons

Electronics

High energy

Need more validation.

Shielding & collimator

Ring imaging cherenkov detector(RICH) /Timing of internally reflected cherenkov detector(TORCH) maybe better?

V1.0

Coaxial light guide & MCP-PMT?

Impossible to probe L<10. Data rate would be too high. No detector/sensor could survive.

Thank you

GeV detection in deep space

LURAD: Lunar radiation monitor Group led by university of Athens

Protons in the energy range from 10 MeV to 2 GeV