



The Wide Field Imager

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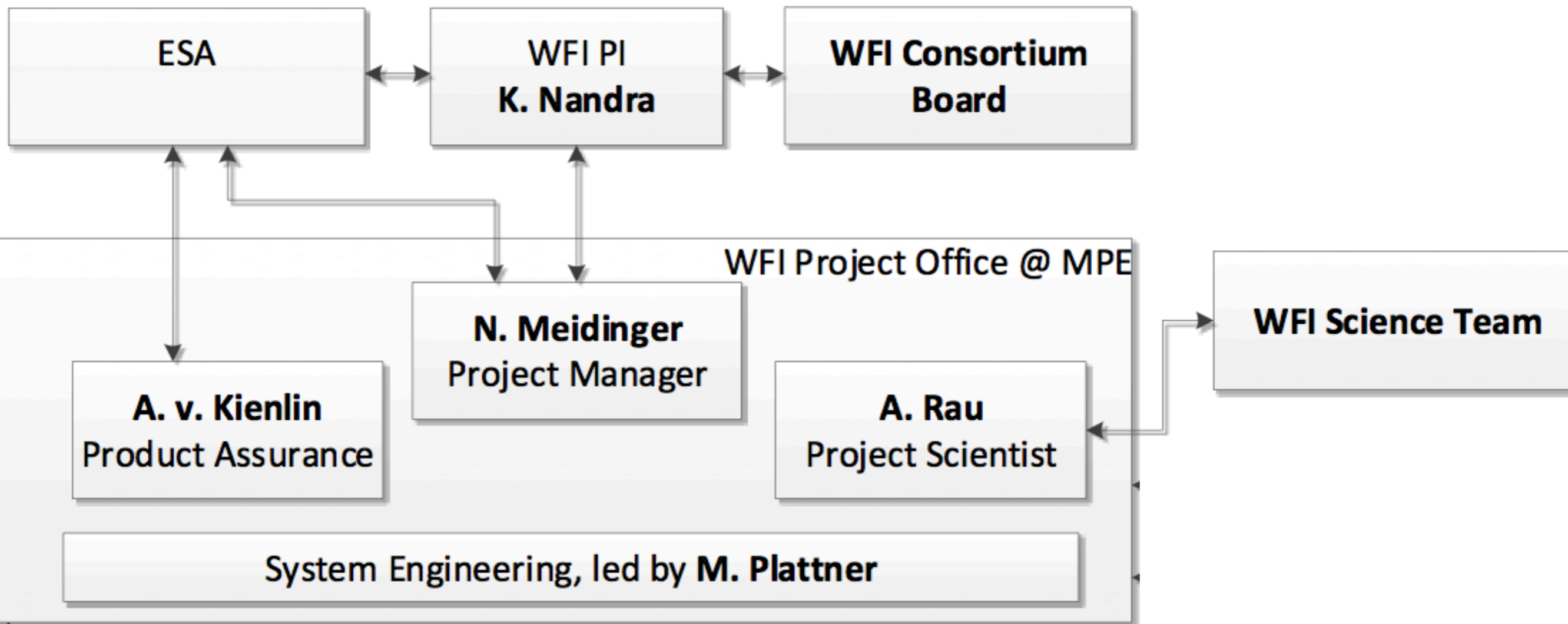
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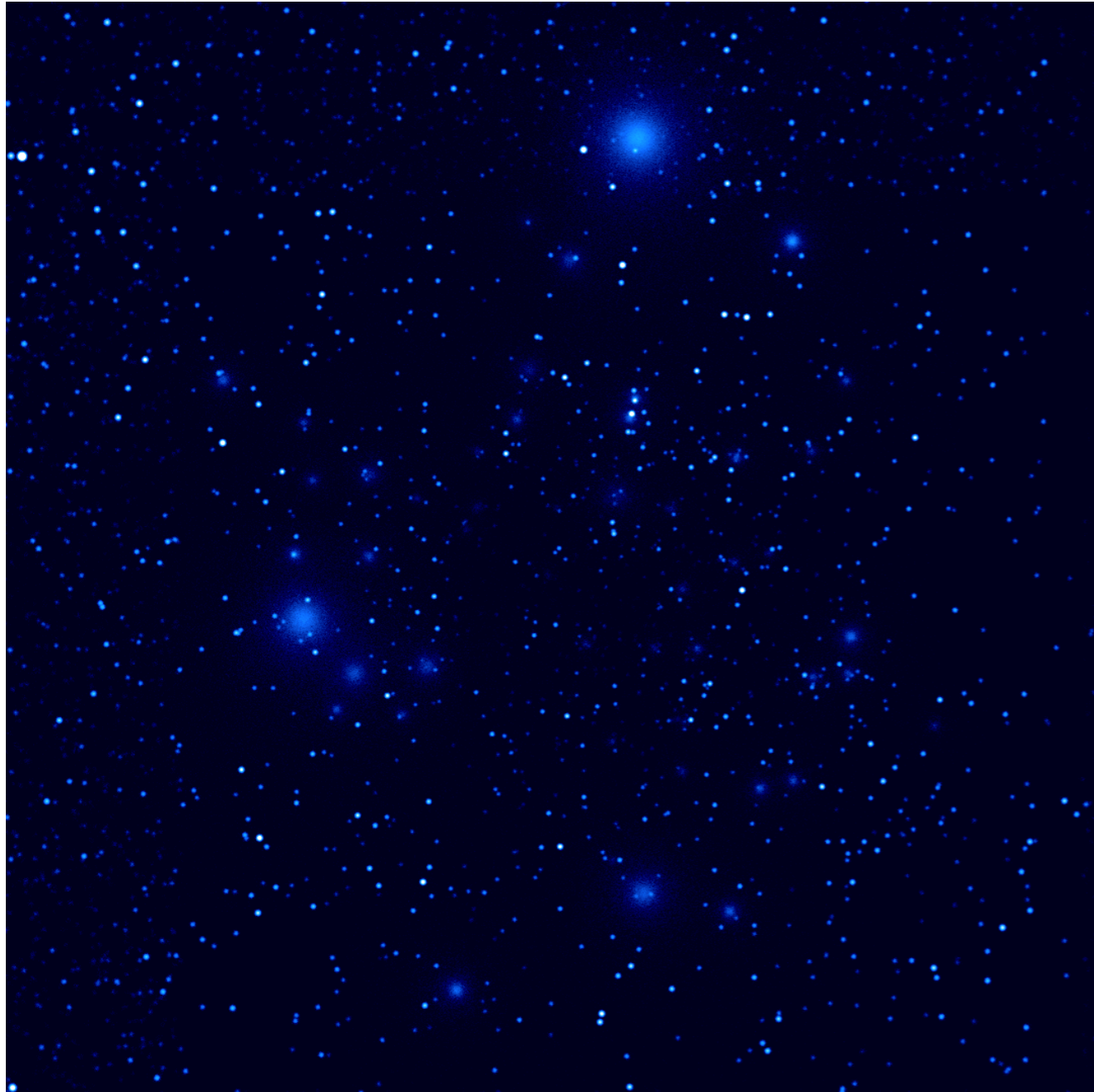


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Key Science Drivers

The Energetic Universe



Formation and growth of earliest SMBHs

Understanding the build-up of SMBHs

Close environments of SMBHs

The physics of accretion

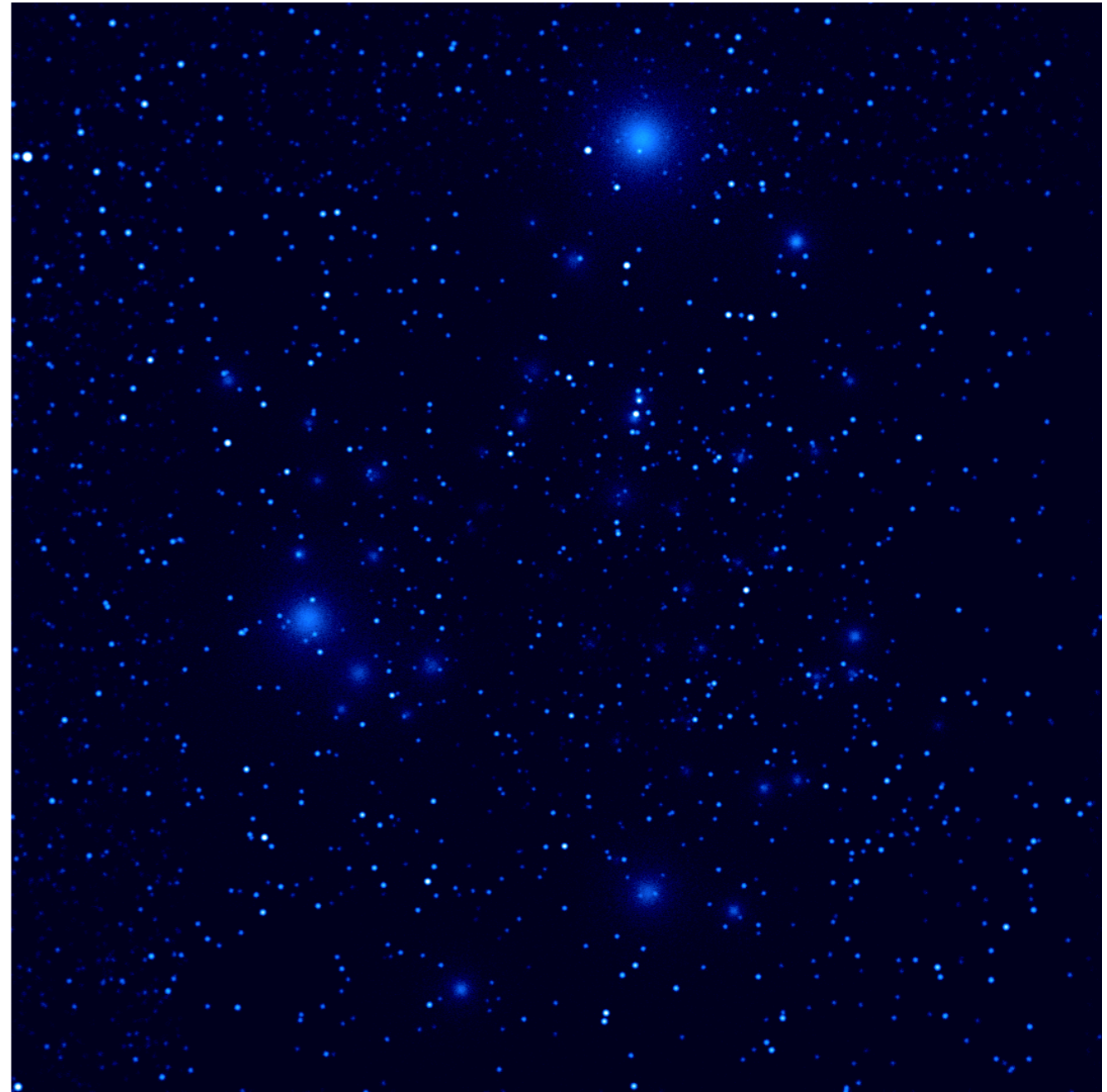
Luminous extragalactic transients

The Hot Universe

The evolution of galaxy groups
and clusters

The astrophysics of galaxy groups
and clusters

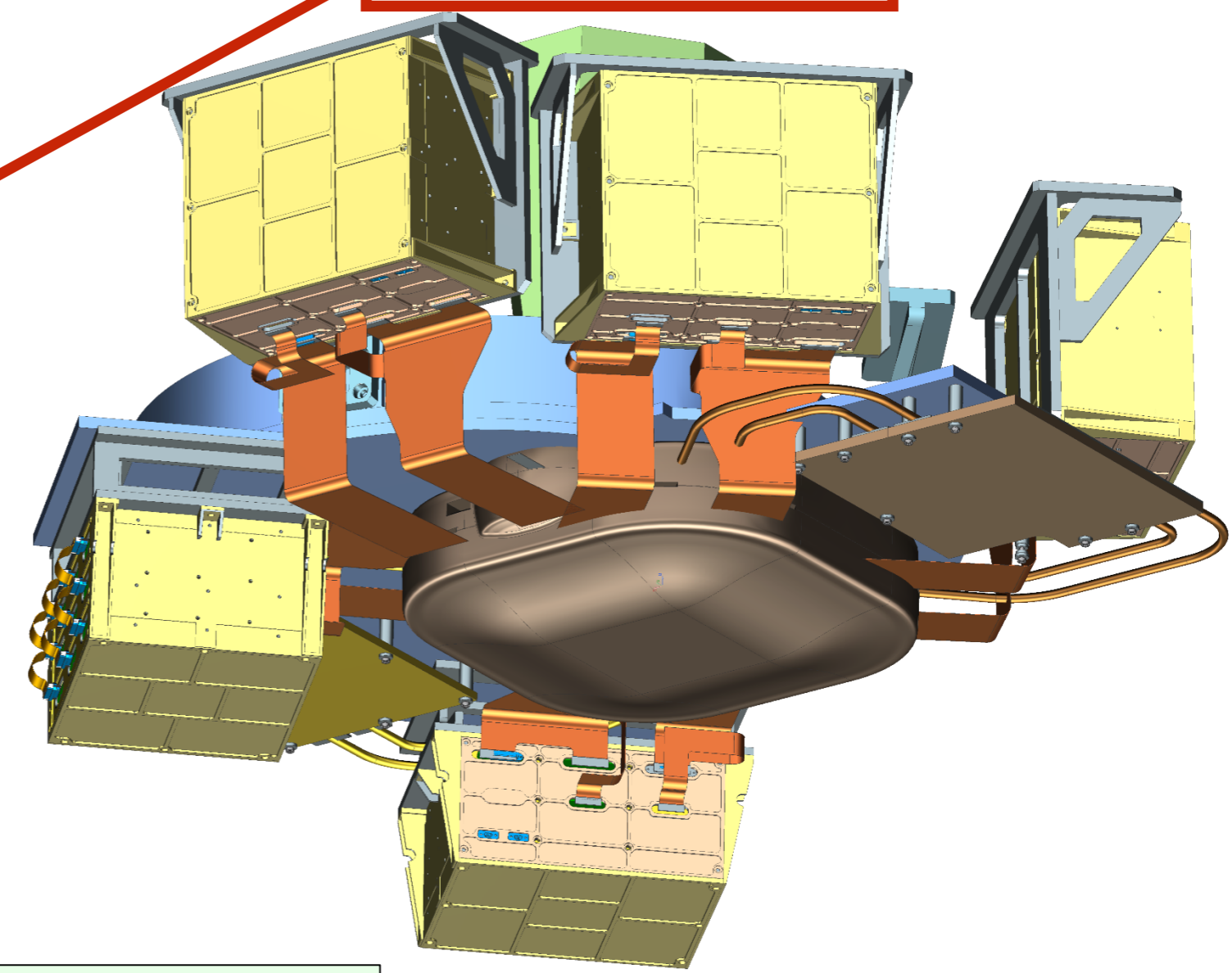
AGN feedback in galaxy groups
and clusters



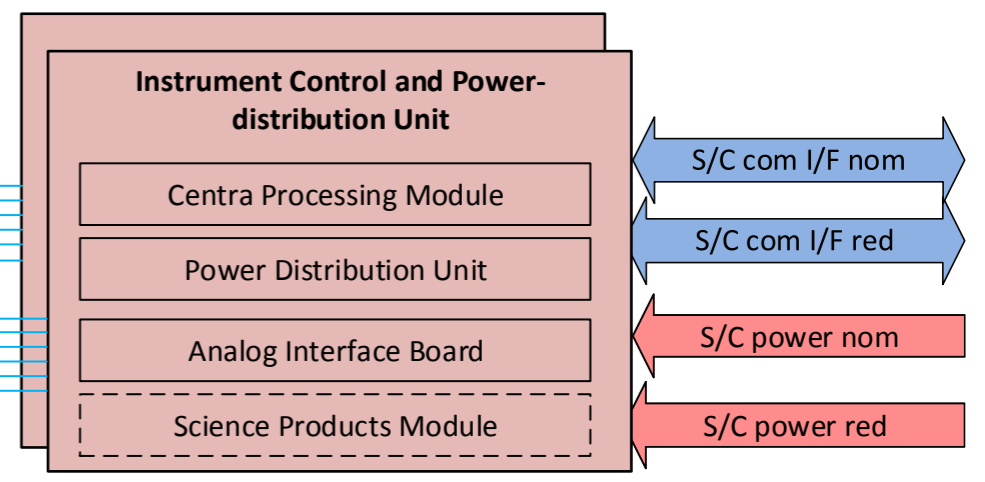
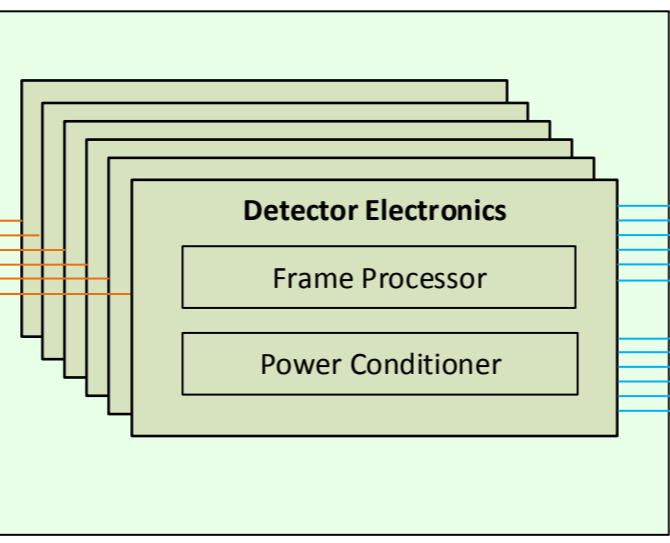
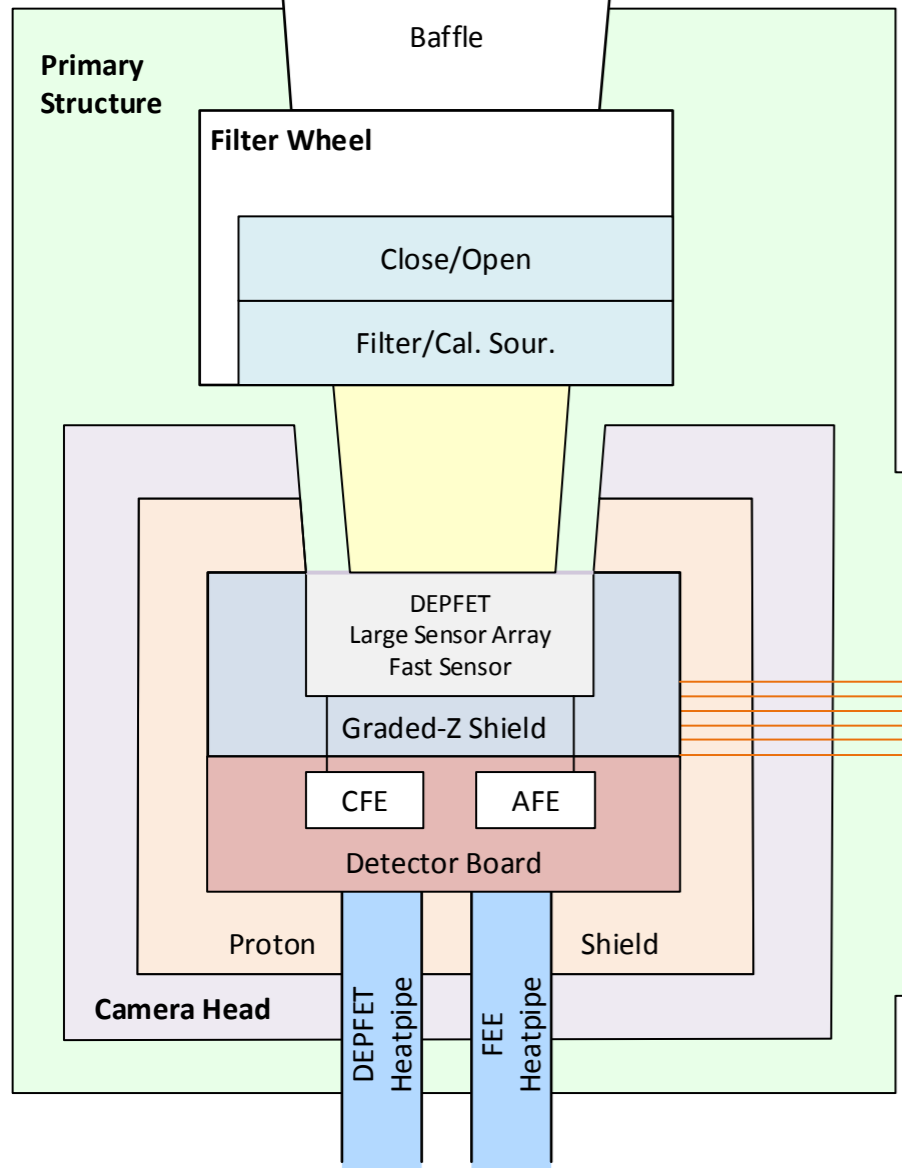
Parameter	Requirement			
Energy Range	0.2-15keV			
Point Source Sensitivity (0.5-2keV)	$\leq 2.4 \times 10^{-17}$ erg/cm ² /s (450ks)			
Surface Brightness Sensitivity (5-7keV)	$\leq 6.2 \times 10^{-16}$ erg/cm ² /s/arcmin ² (100ks; 5' circle)			
	0.2keV	1keV	7keV	10keV
Effective Area (on-axis)	$\geq 0.069\text{m}^2$	$\geq 1.25\text{m}^2$	$\geq 0.15\text{m}^2$	$\geq 0.034\text{m}^2$
Grasp		$\geq 0.268 \text{ m}^2/\text{deg}^2$	$\geq 0.014 \text{ m}^2/\text{deg}^2$	
Energy Resolution		$\leq 80\text{eV}$	$\leq 170\text{eV}$	
Field of View (LDA)	40' x 40'			
PSF Sampling	130 μm x 130 μm pixels (i.e. 2.24" x 2.24")			
Positional Accuracy	$\leq 1''$ (99.7% confidence)			
Frame time	LDA: $\leq 5\text{ms}$		FD: $\leq 80\mu\text{s}$	
FD Count Rate Capability	1Crab: $\leq 1\%$ pile-up, $\geq 80\%$ throughput			
Instrumental Background Level	$\leq 5 \times 10^{-3}$ cnt/s/cm ² /keV (2-7keV)			
Instrumental Background Knowledge	$\leq 2\%$ (2-7keV)			
Absolute flux calibration uncertainty	$\leq 12\%$			

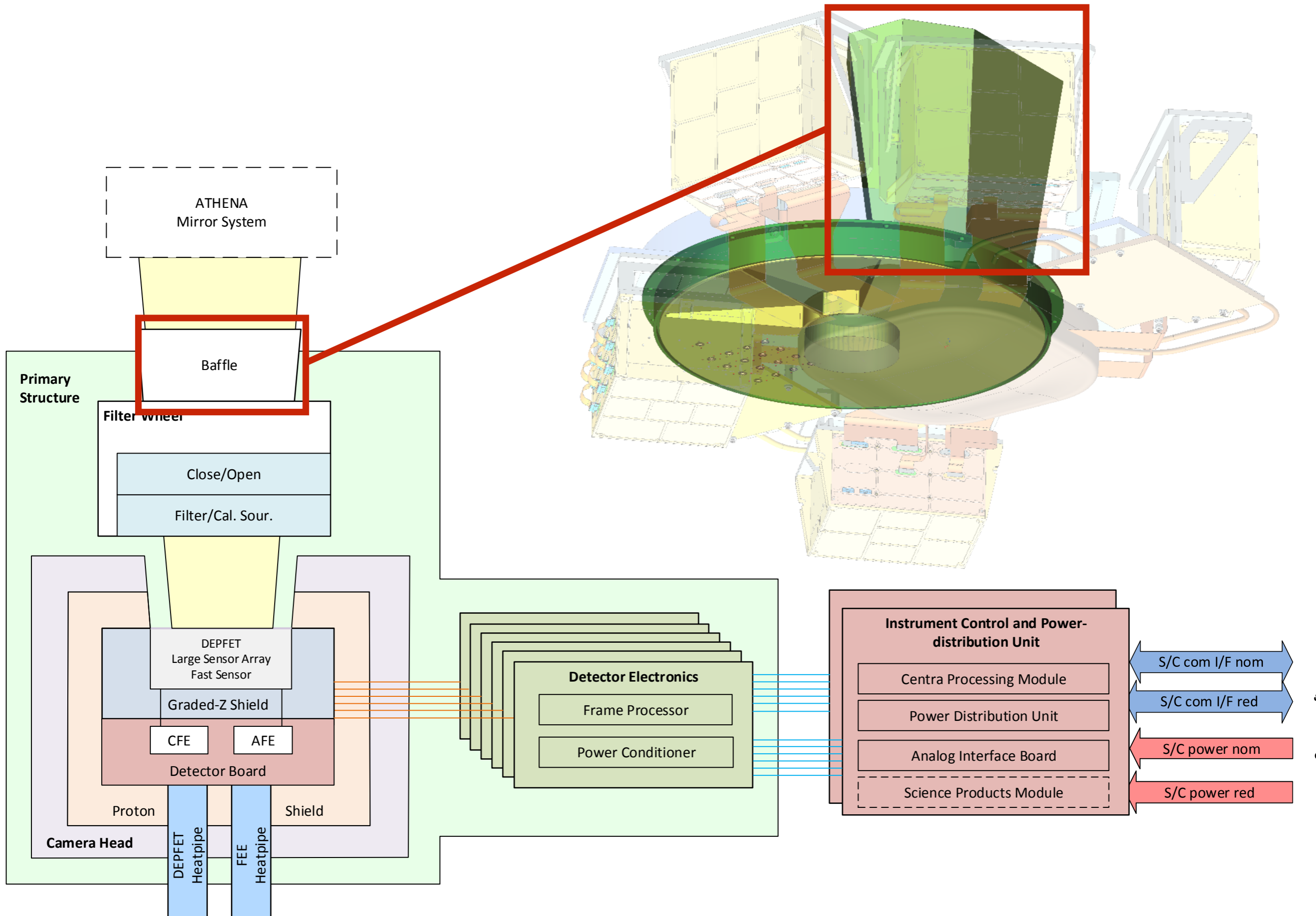
Instrument and Technology Development

ATHENA Mirrors



ATHENA Mirror System





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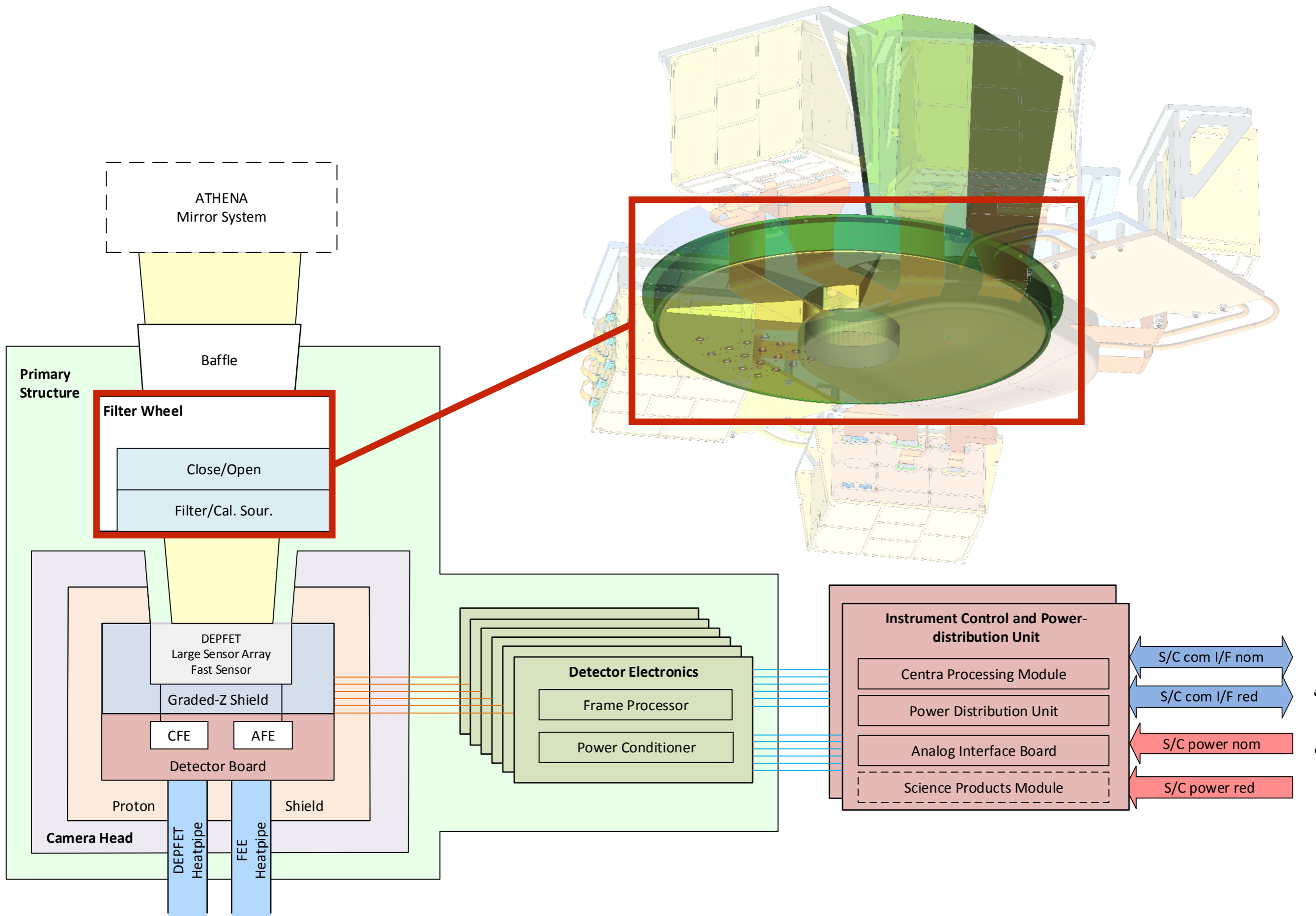
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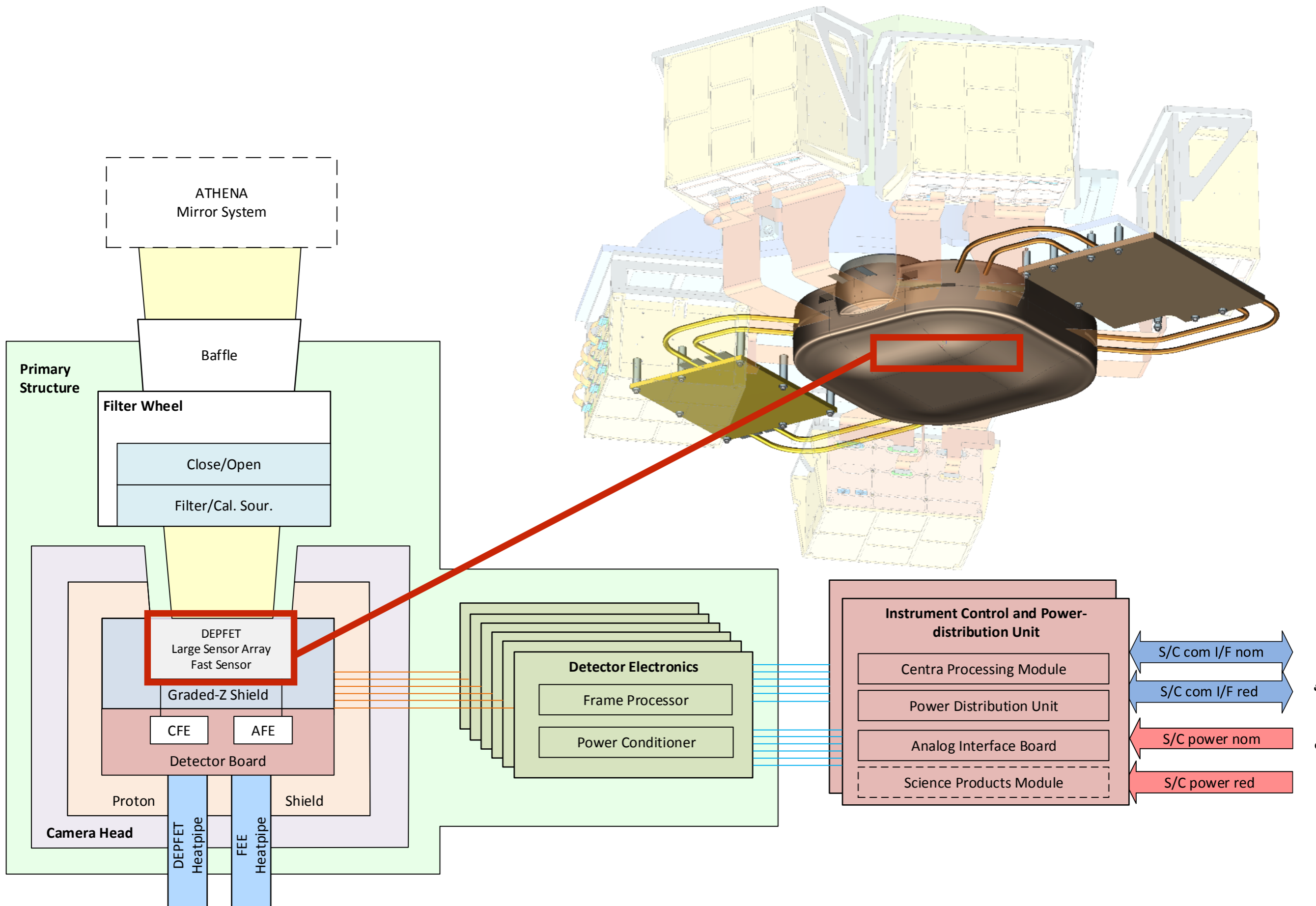
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Spacecraft





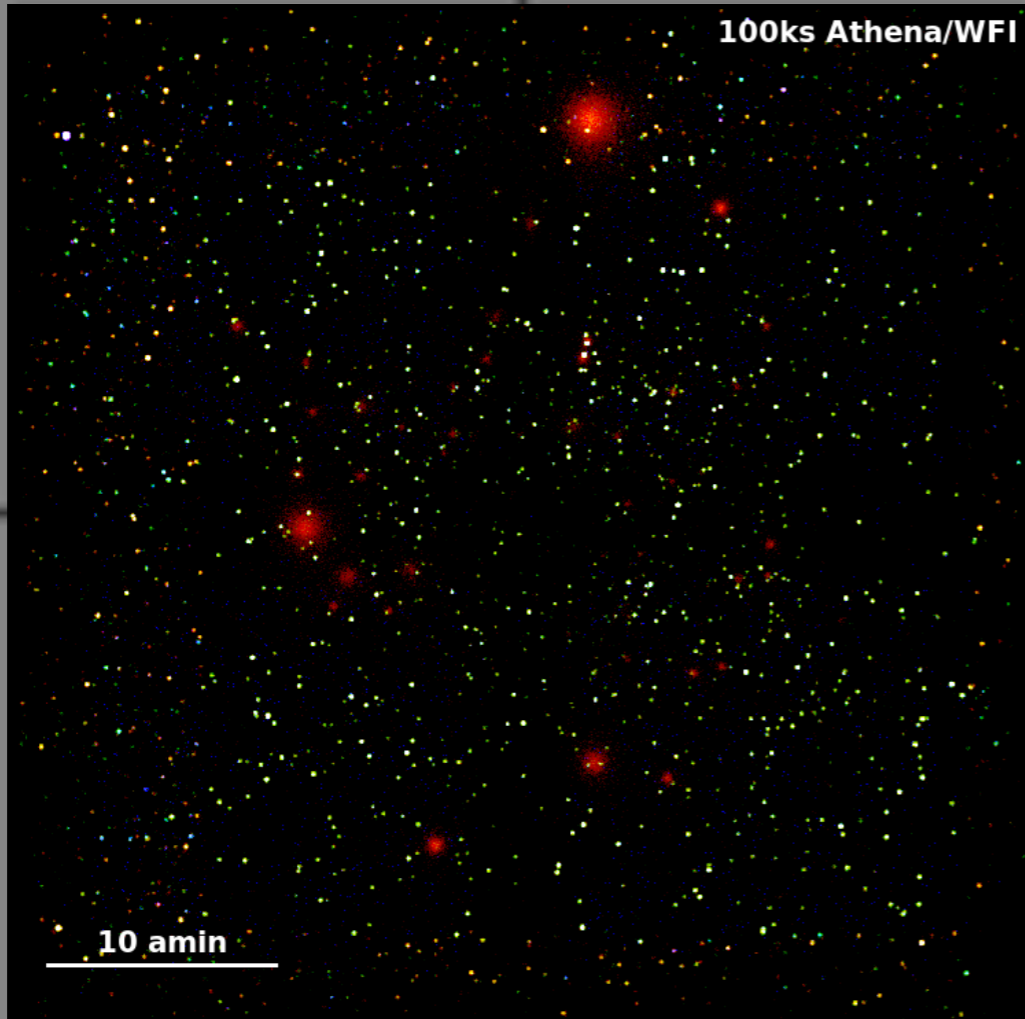
A schematic diagram of a detector system. On the left, a large blue rectangular structure represents the detector array, divided into four quadrants. It contains several red circular markers and is surrounded by a complex blue and grey support structure. On the right, a smaller, more detailed assembly is shown, including a black cylindrical component, a grey square component, and a central square detector element. An arrow points from the text '40'x40' 4x512x512pxl' to the large array. Another arrow points from the text 'Fast Detector: 80µs/frame (12500fps) defocussed' to the central square detector element.

40'x40'
4x512x512pxl

Large Detector Array:
5ms/frame (200fps)

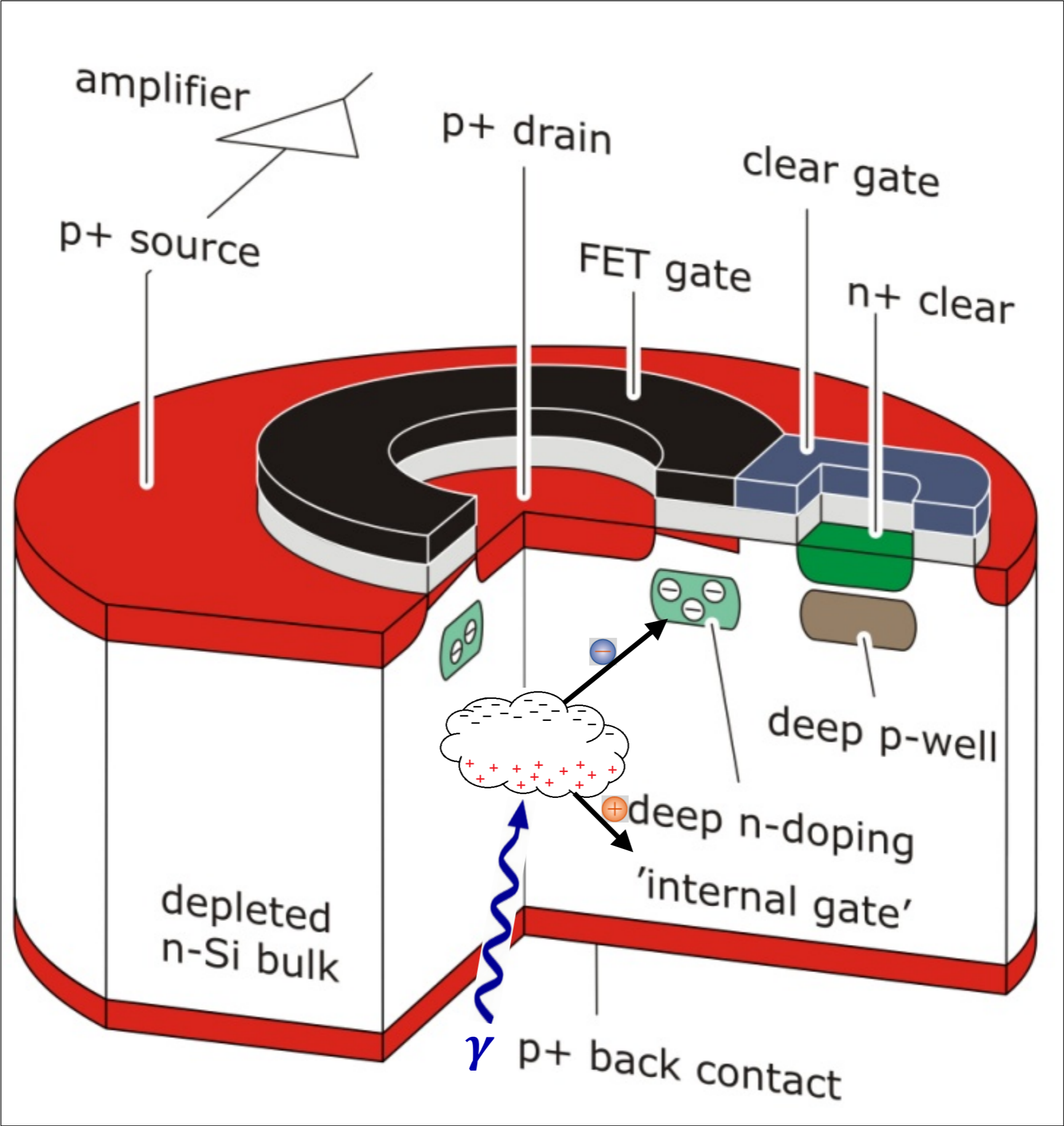
Both:
130µm x 130µm DEPFETs

Fast Detector:
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defocussed

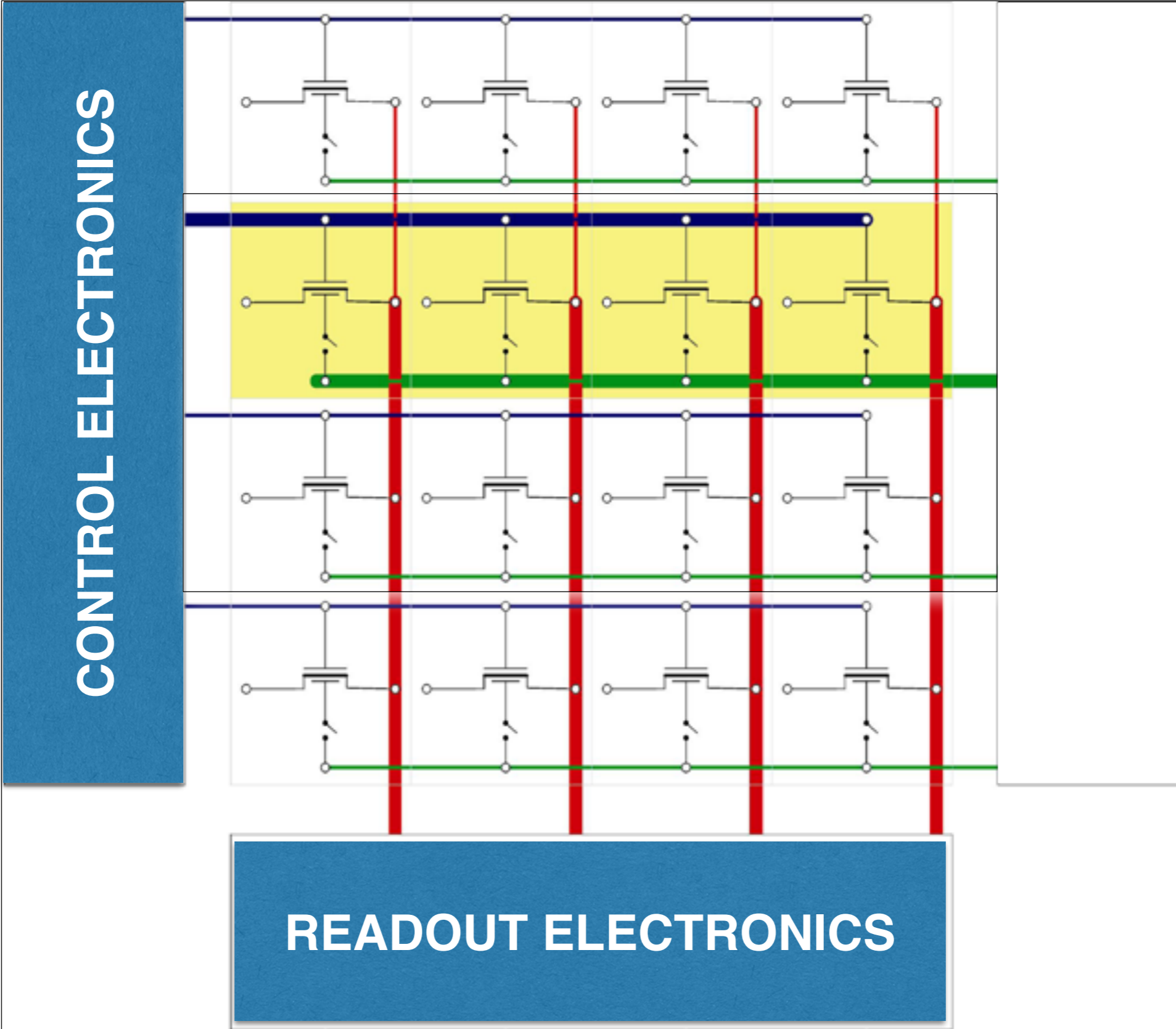


(SIXTE end-to-end simulations)

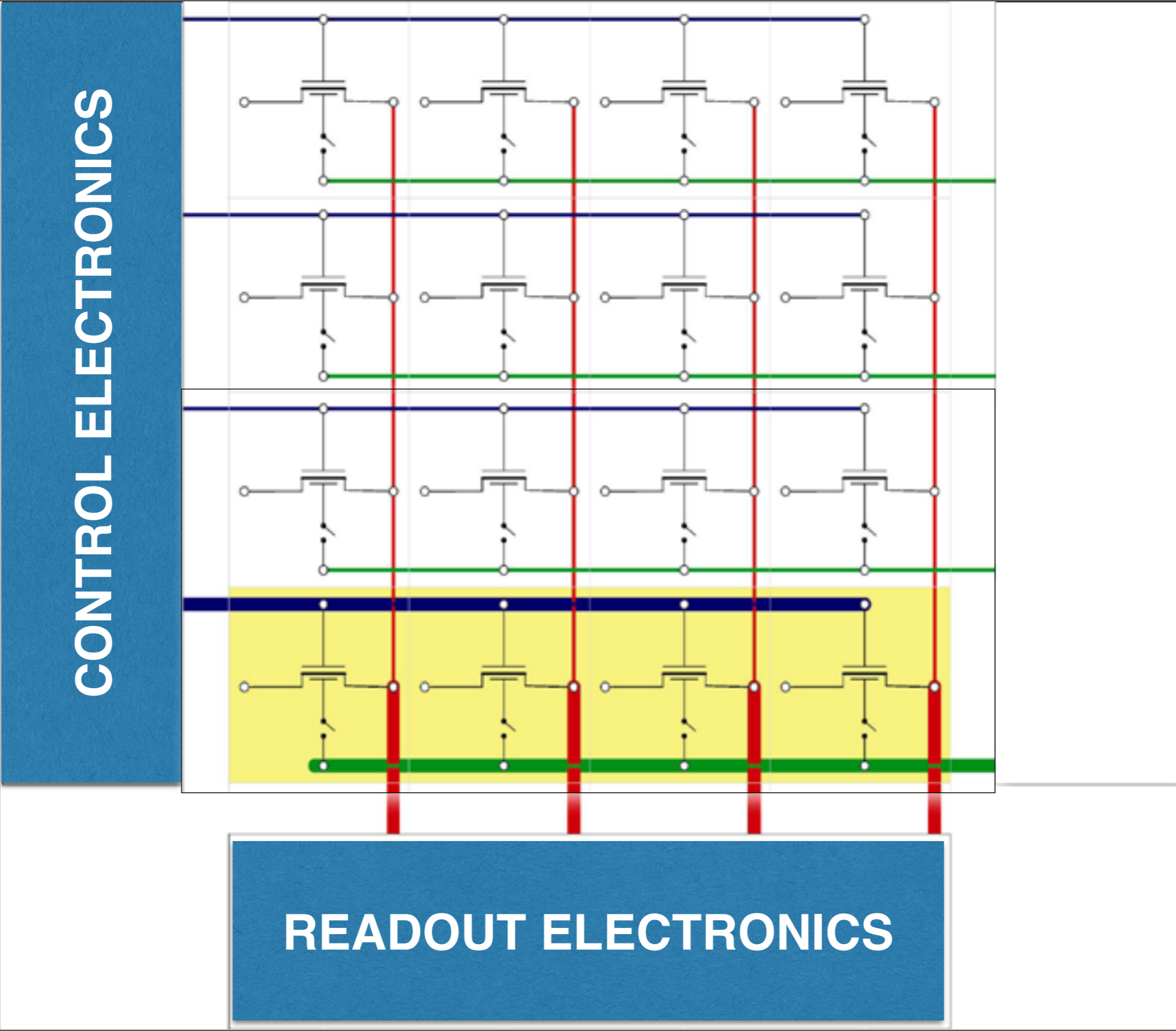
The WFI uses matrices of DEPFET active pixel sensors.



All pixels in one active row are read out simultaneously.



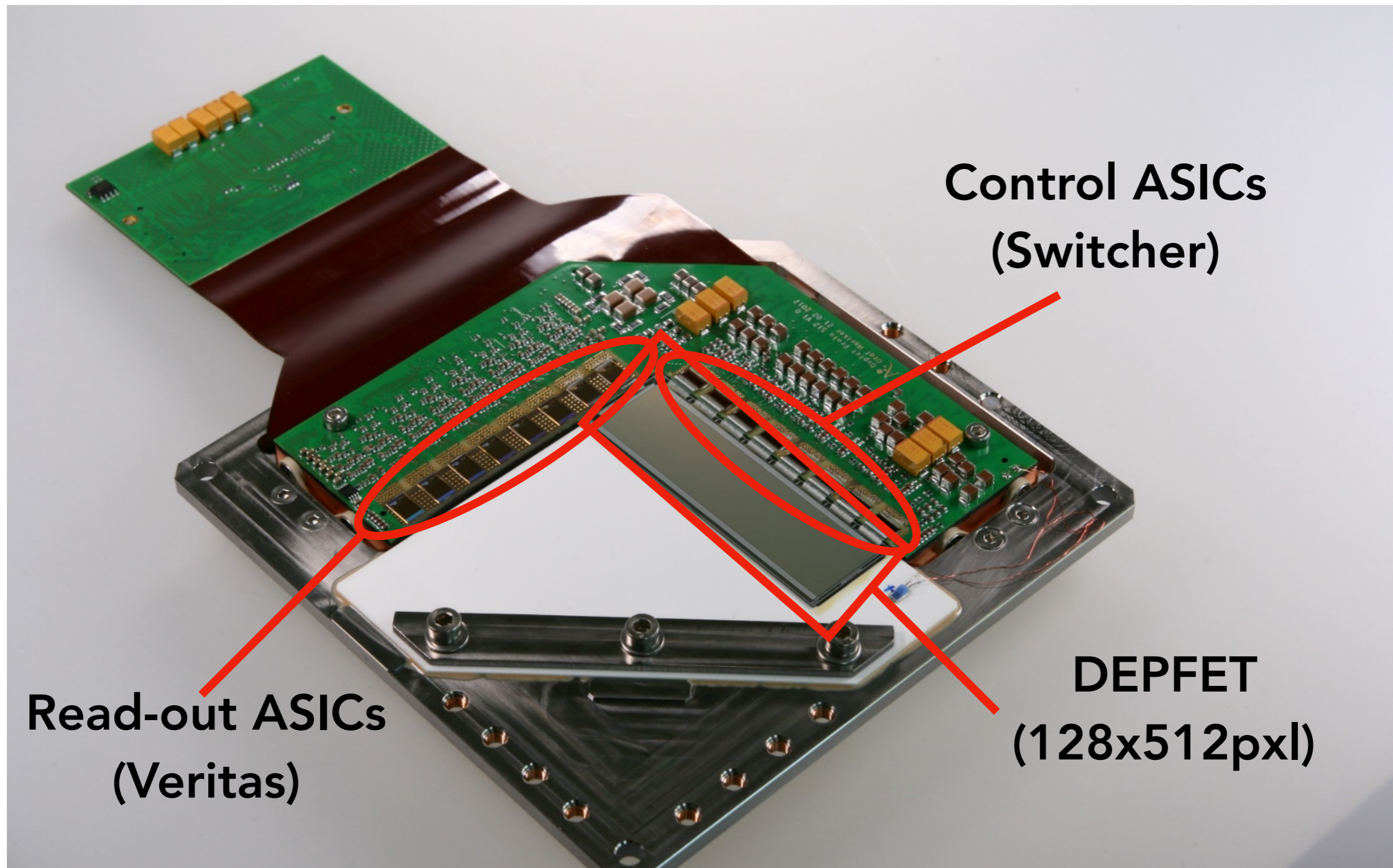
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Challenge: verification of function and performance



- DEPFET Proto-type production completed in 2016.
- Different shapes and sizes produced with different layout and technology.



Control ASICs
(Switcher)

Read-out ASICs
(Veritas)

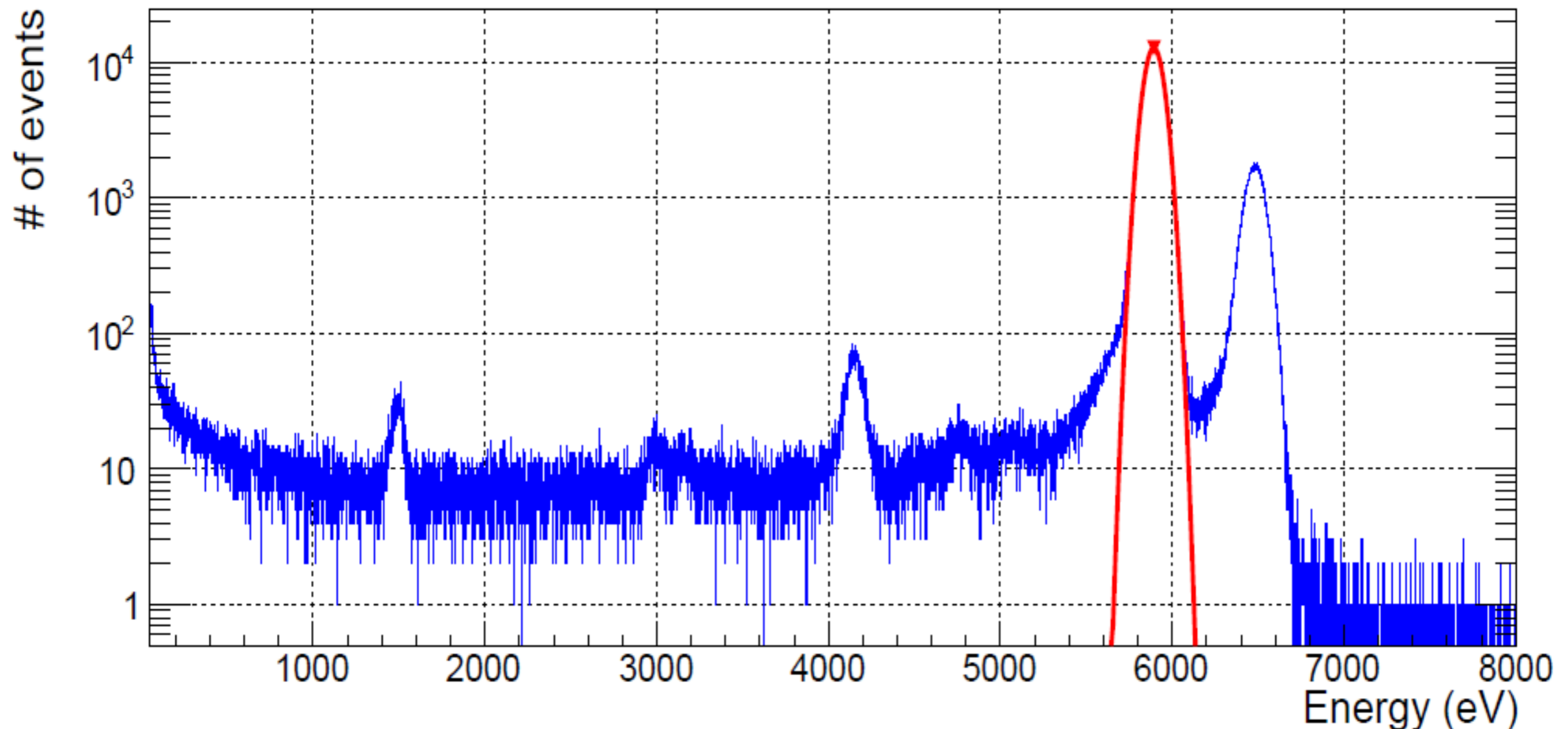
DEPFET
(128x512pxl)

64x64 pxl (FD):

- $\sigma \approx 2.0 - 2.5$ el. rms + FWHM(5.9keV) ≈ 130 eV for 2.5 μ s/row

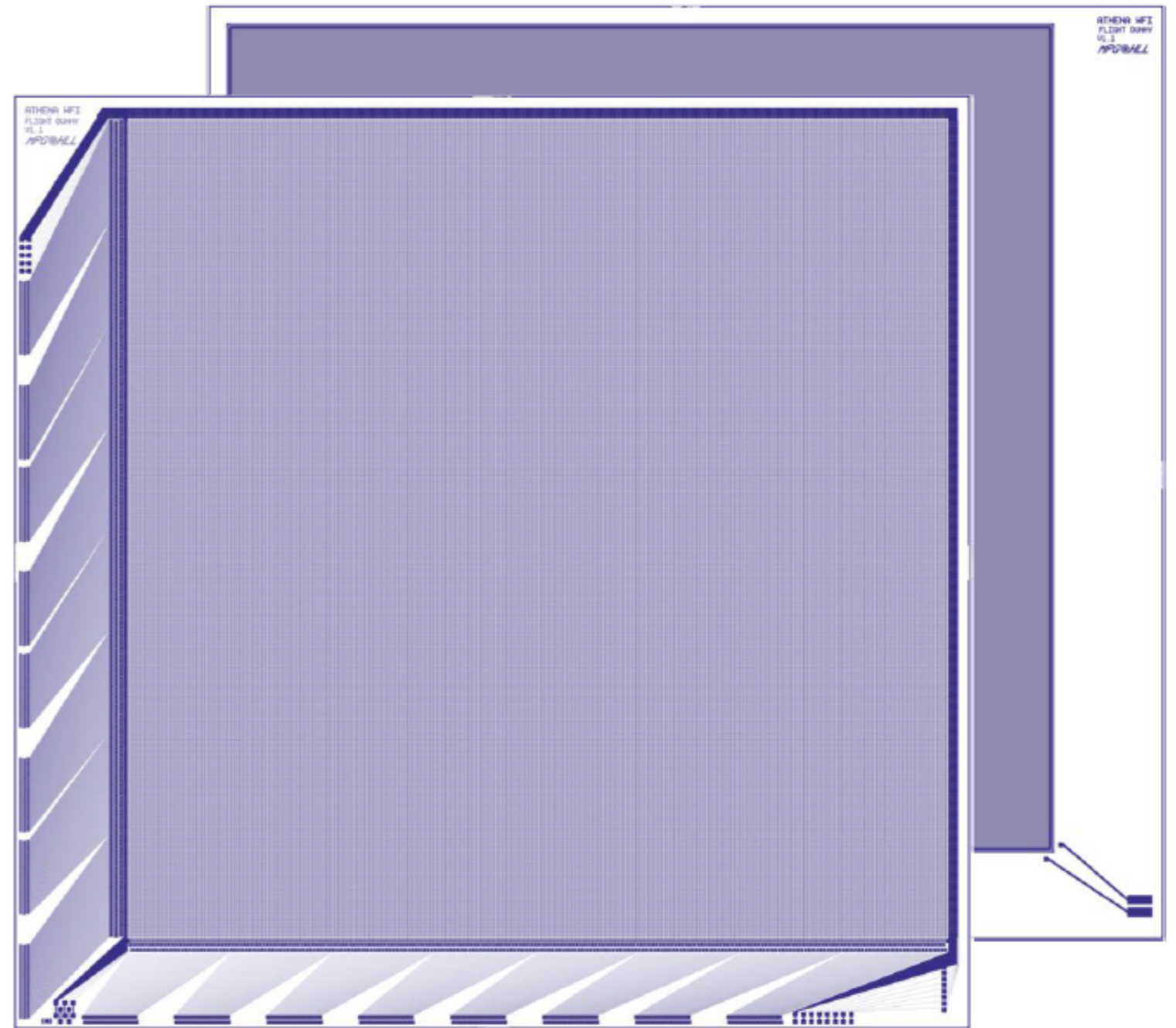
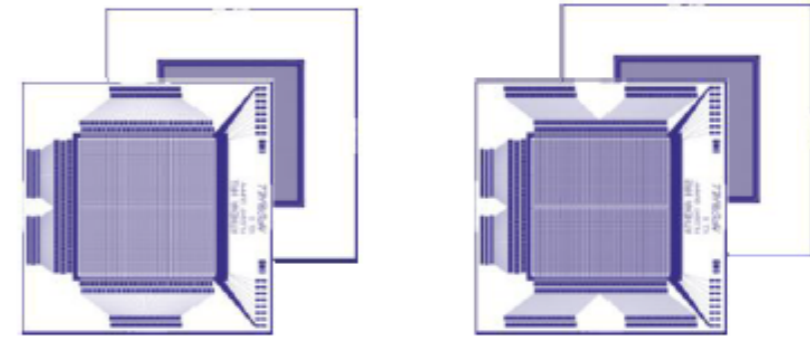
256x256 pxl (1/2 LD):

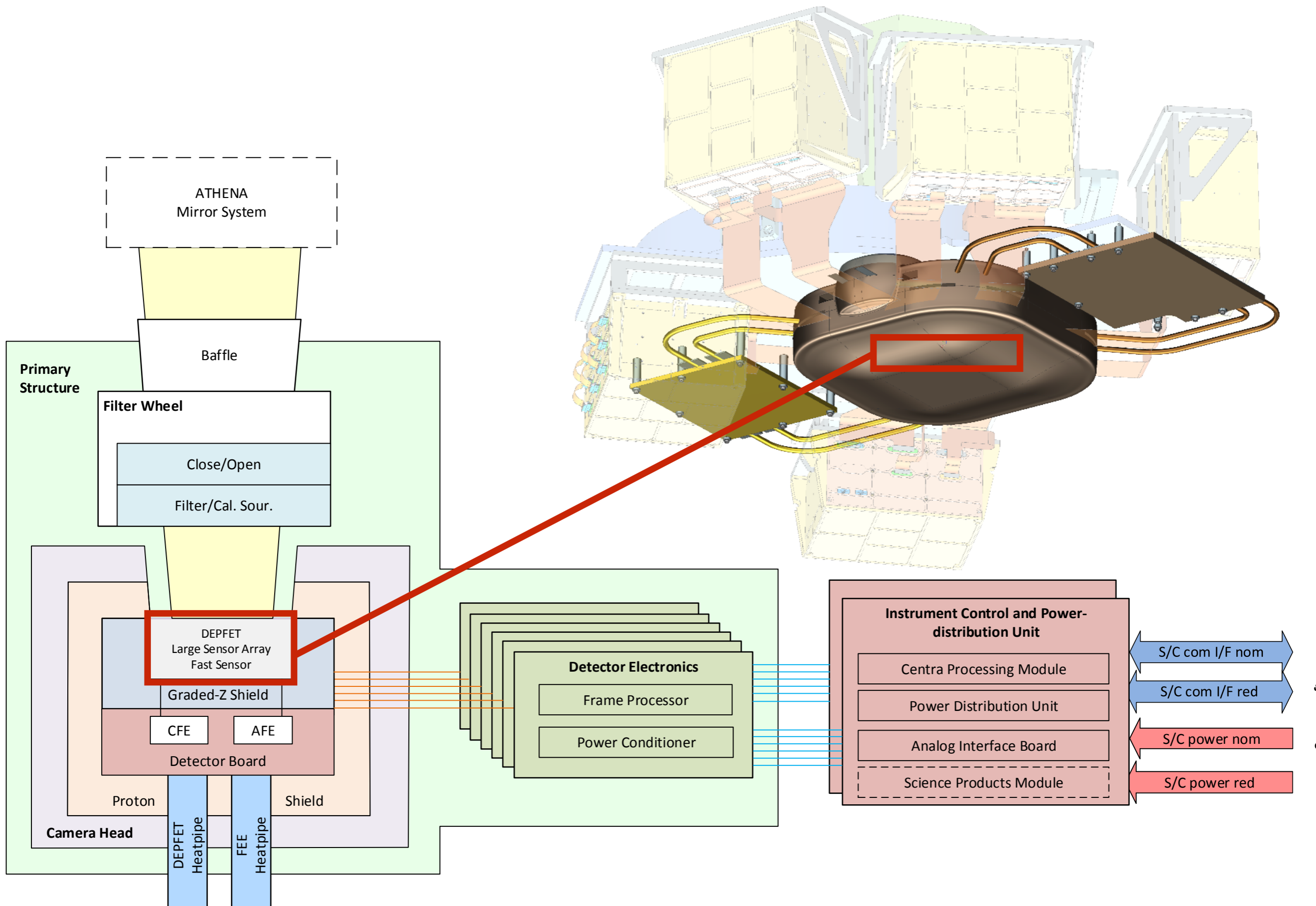
- $\sigma \approx 2.5$ el. rms + FWHM(5.9keV) ≈ 134 eV for 8.7 μ s/row

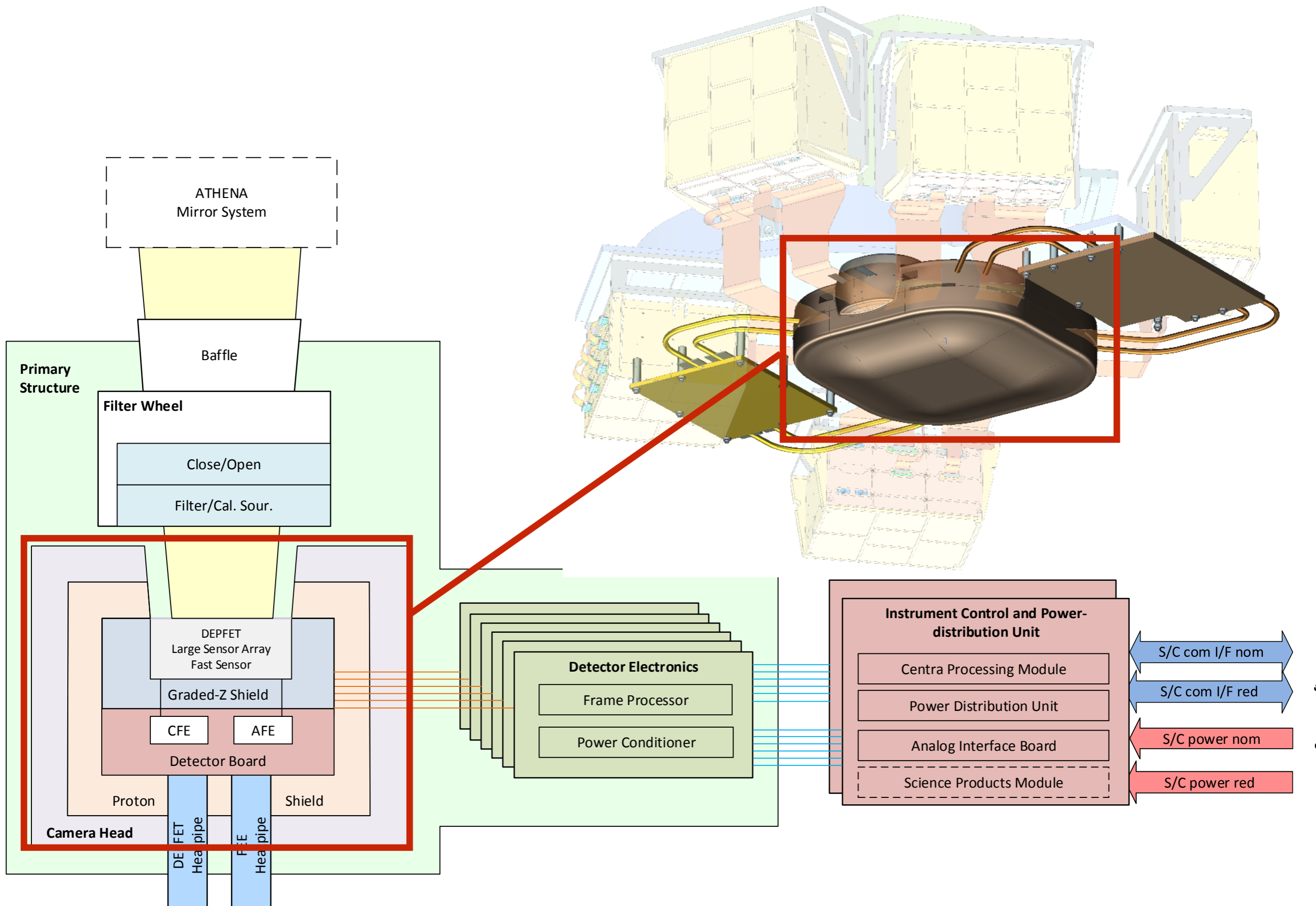


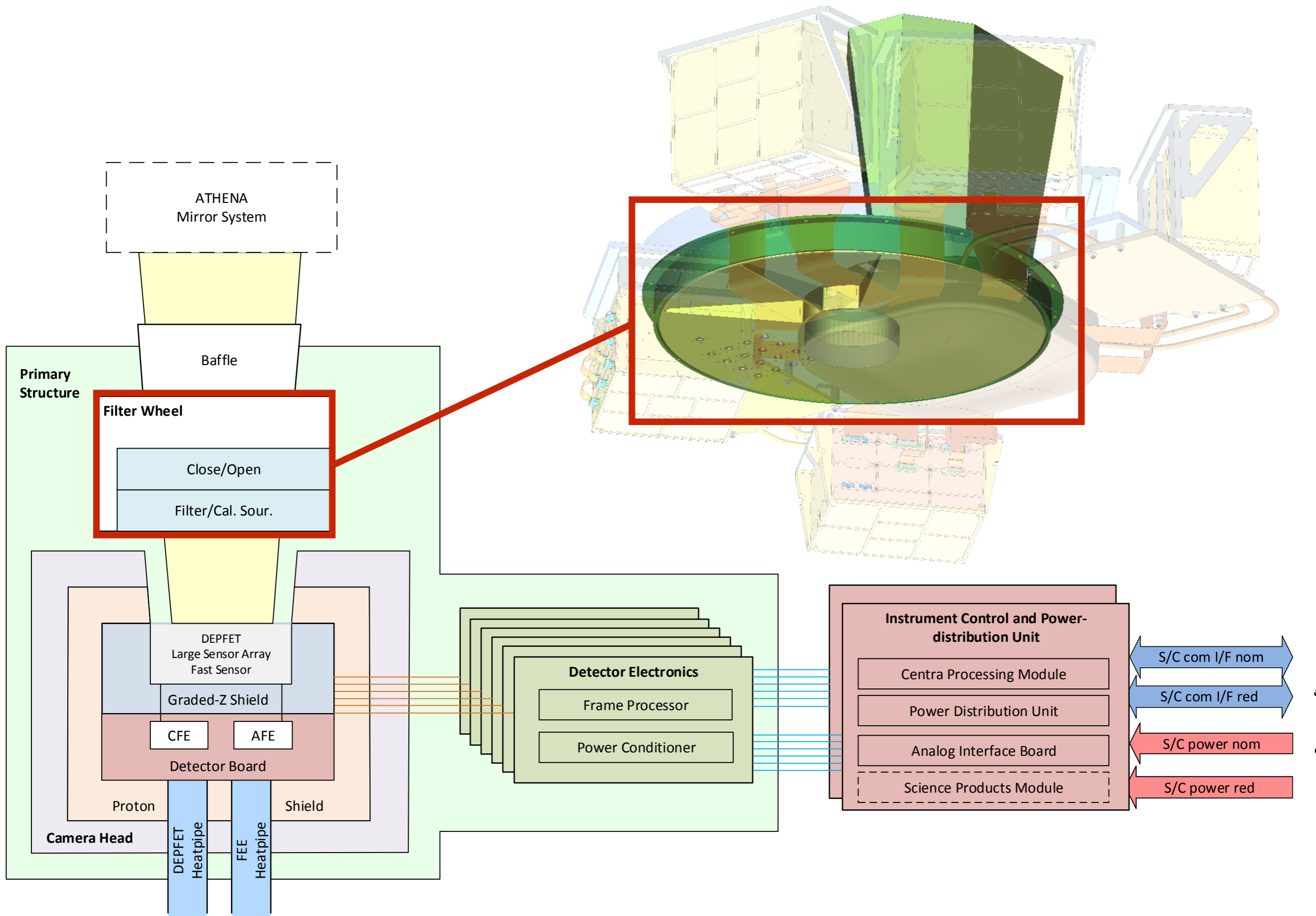
DEPFET Pre-flight production started in 2017.

EM Quality in form/fit/function/
performance and similar to
flight devices









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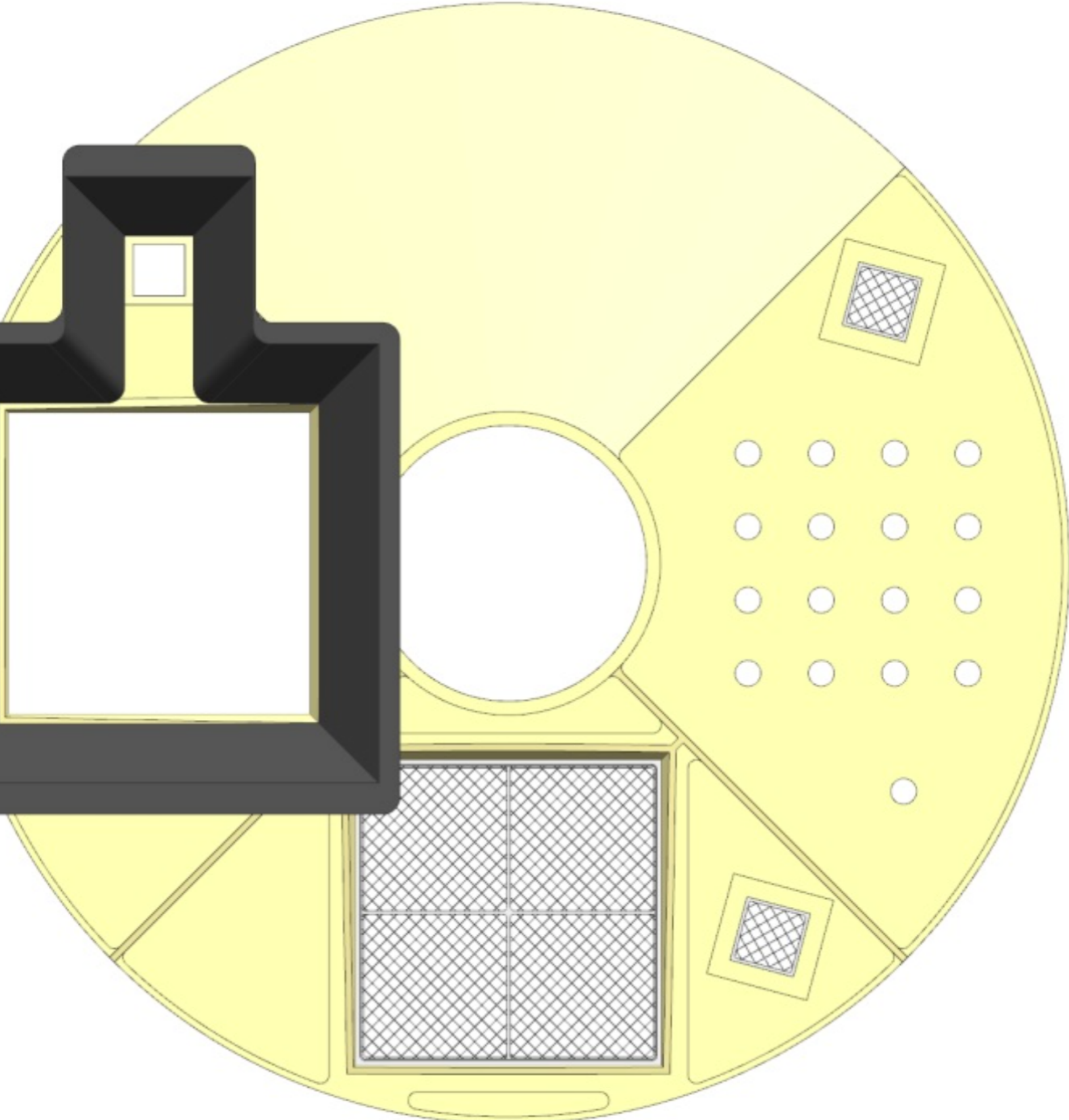
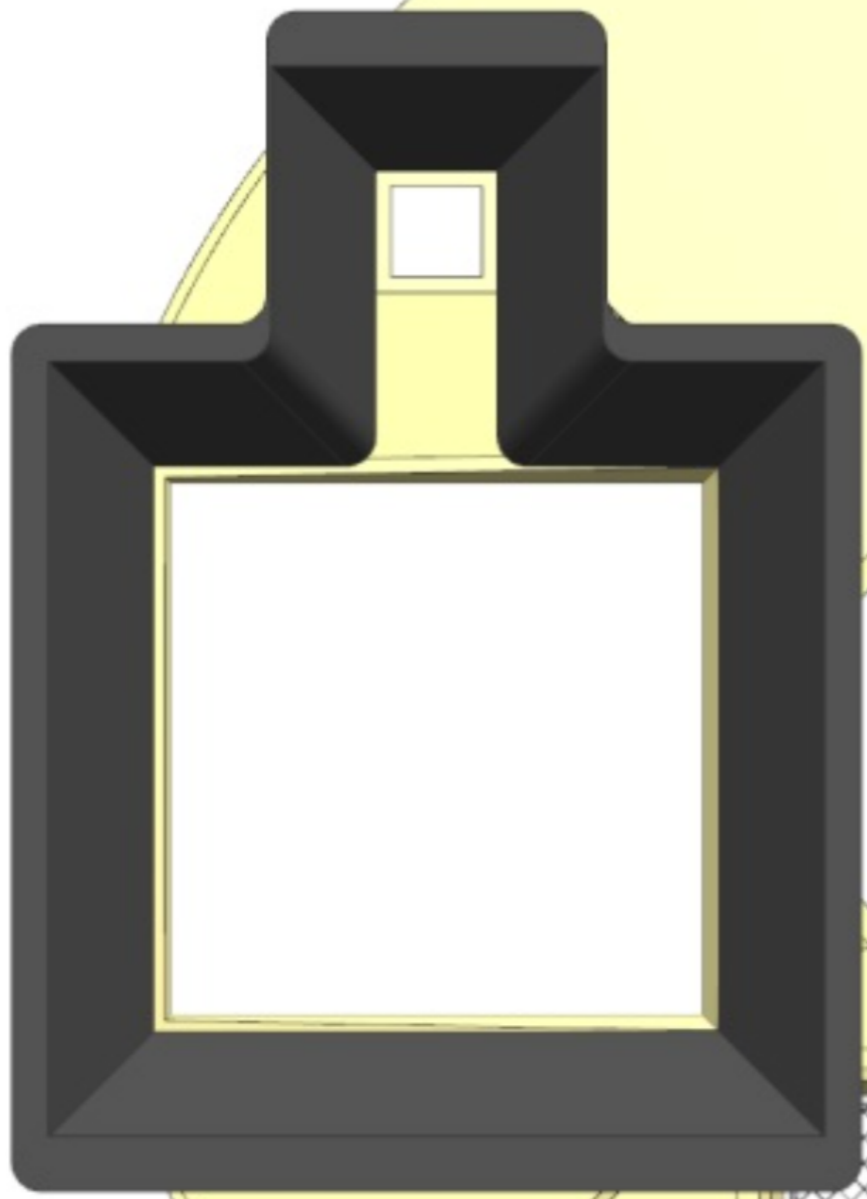
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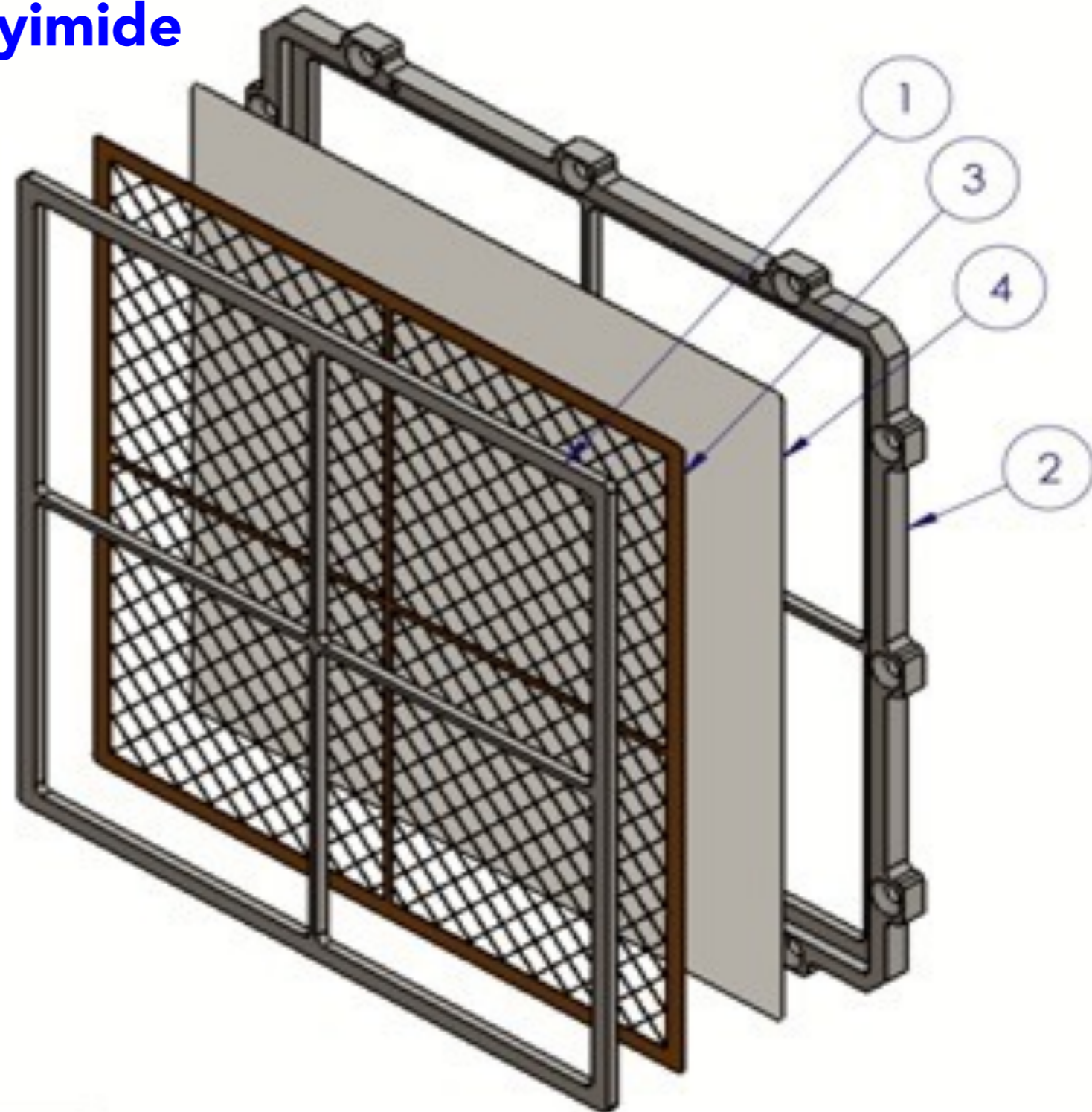


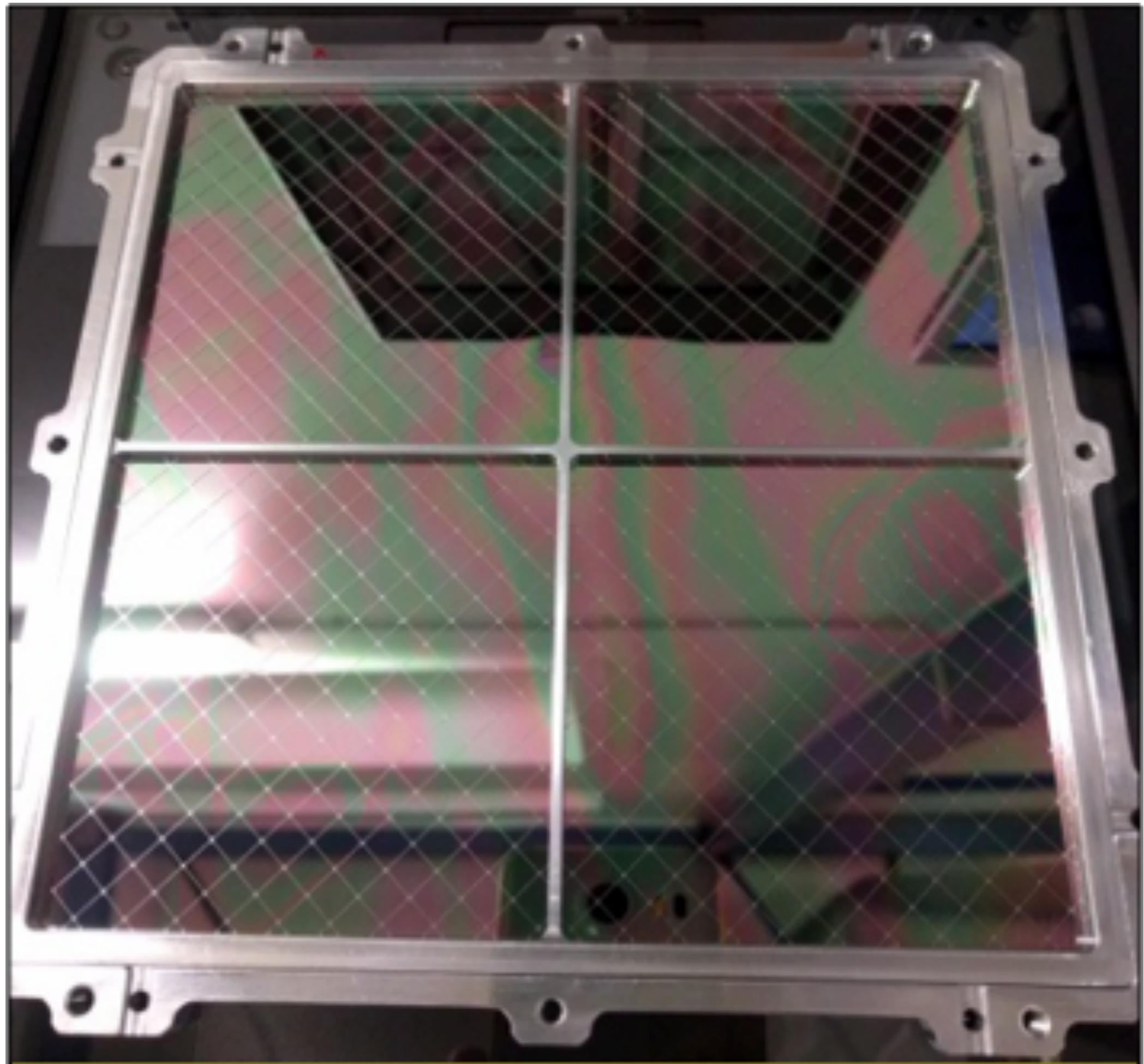
OPTICAL BLOCKING FILTER

1 - ON-CHIP: 90nm Al+30nm Si₃N₄+20nm SiO₂

2 - FW: 30nm Al on 150nm polyimide

- 170x170mm²
- FW w/o vacuum enclosure
- **Challenge:** acoustic noise loads during launch
- frame + mesh + cross-shaped stiffening

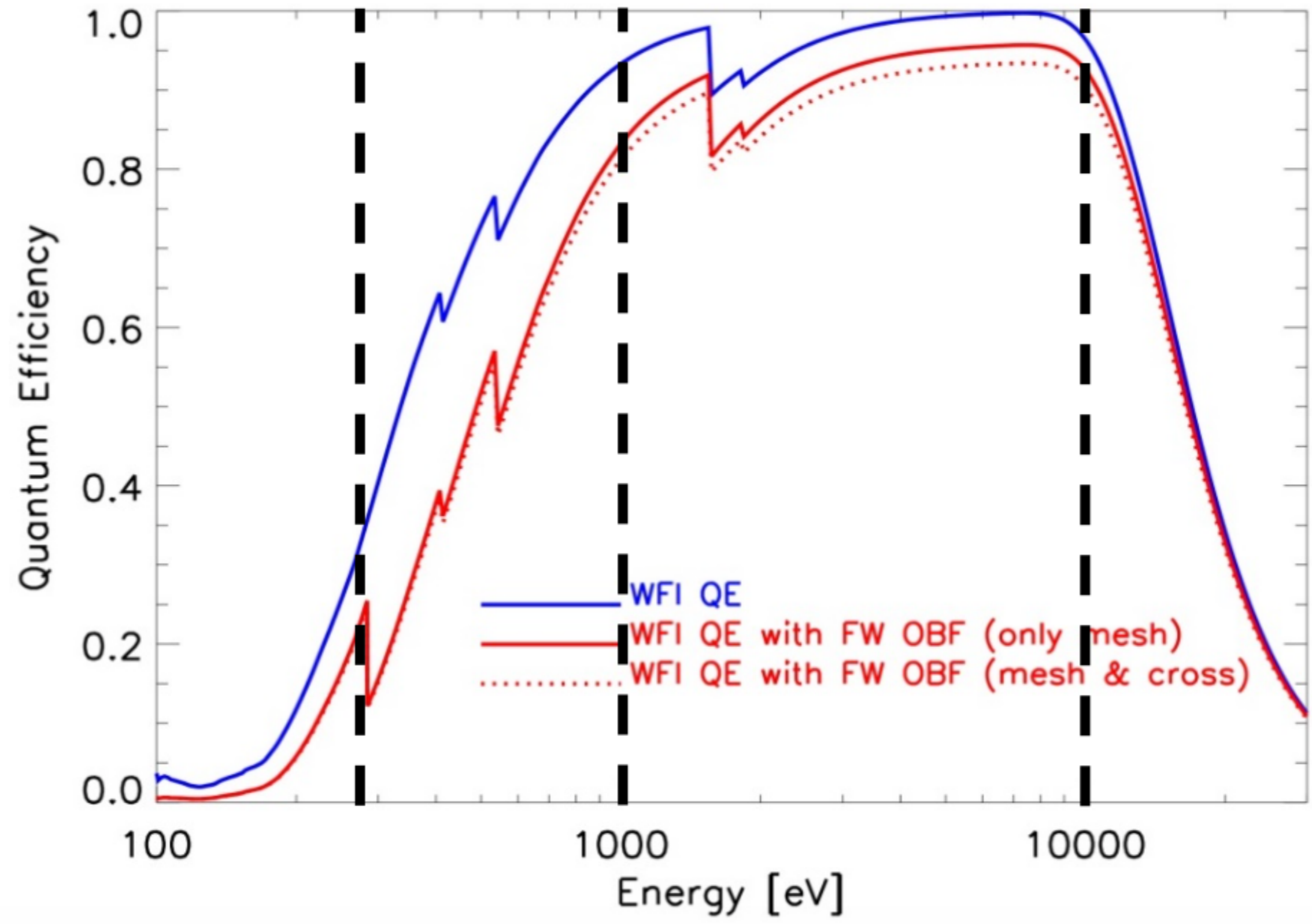




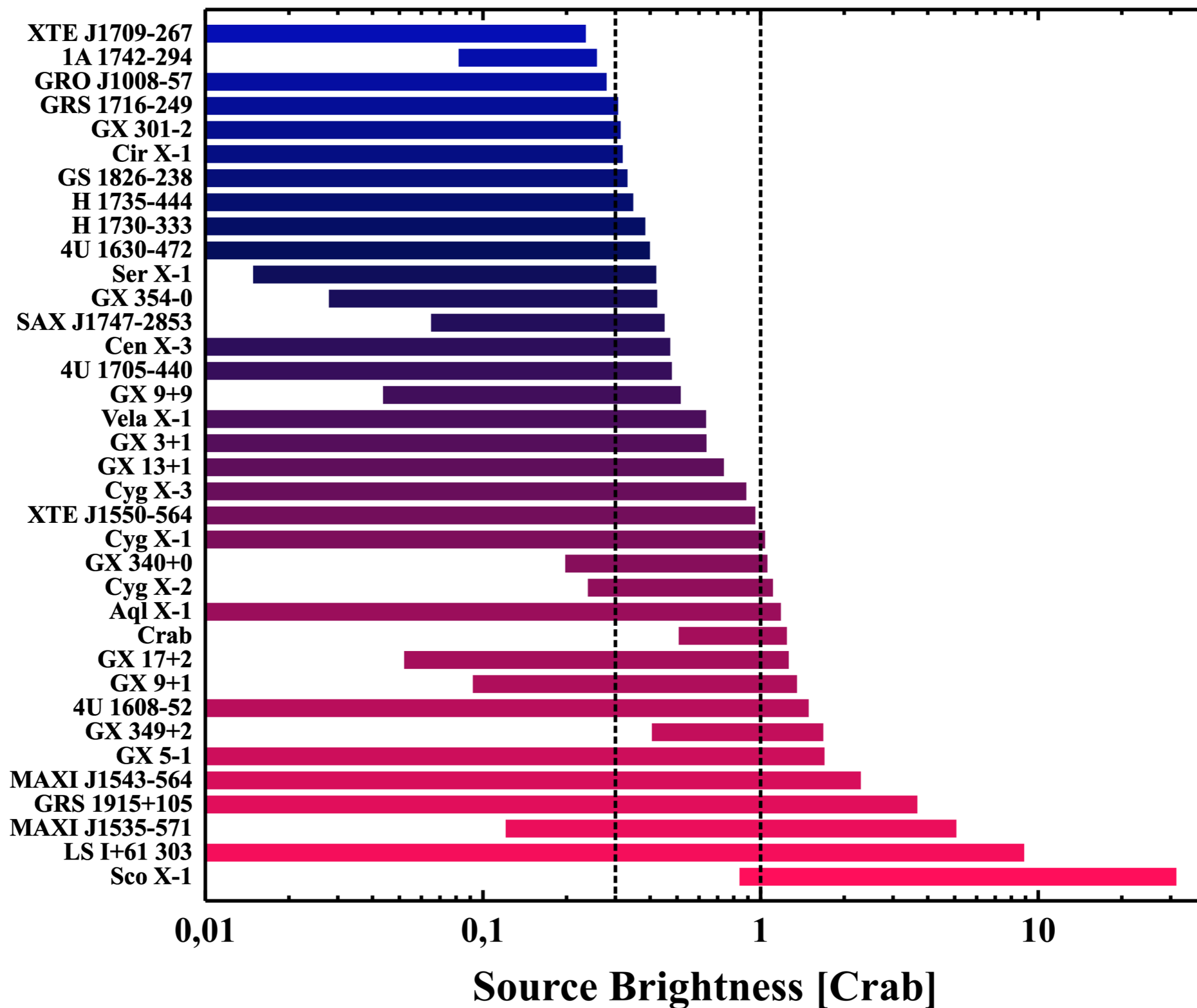
0.277 keV
QE = 23 %

1 keV
QE = 83 %

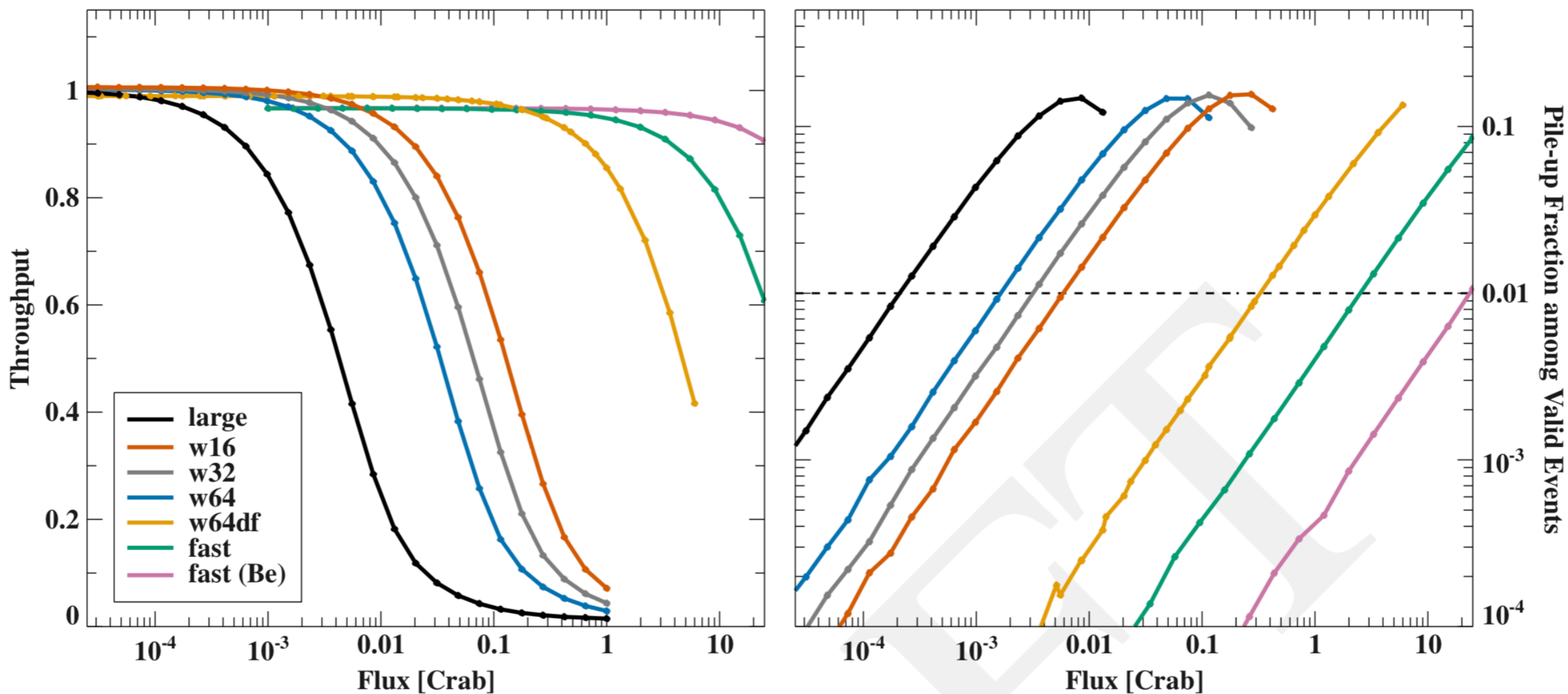
10 keV
QE = 92 %

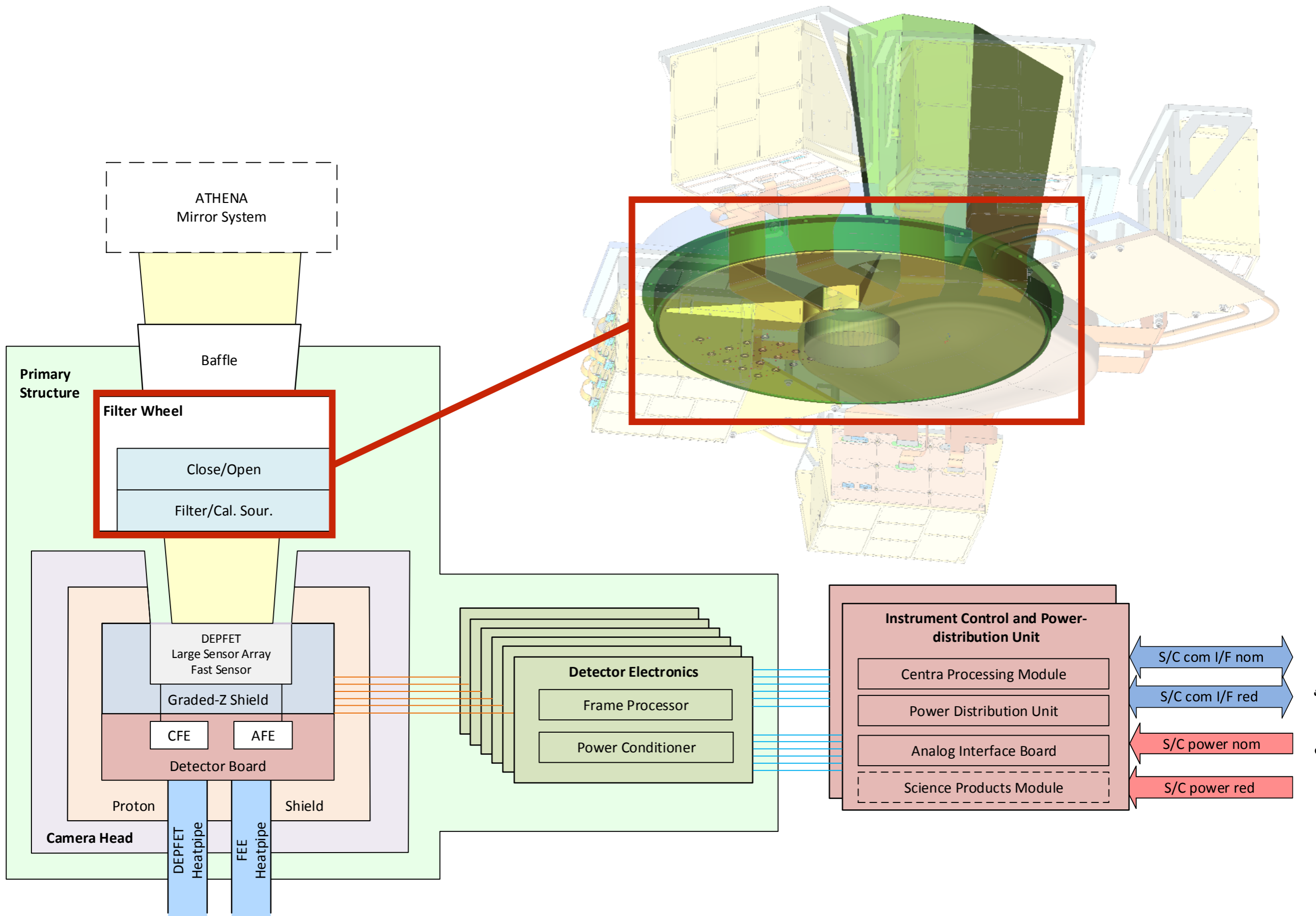


4-10keV daily flux measurements from MAXI (May 2016 - January 2018).



Throughput (right) and Pile-up (left) for different WFI LDA & FD modes





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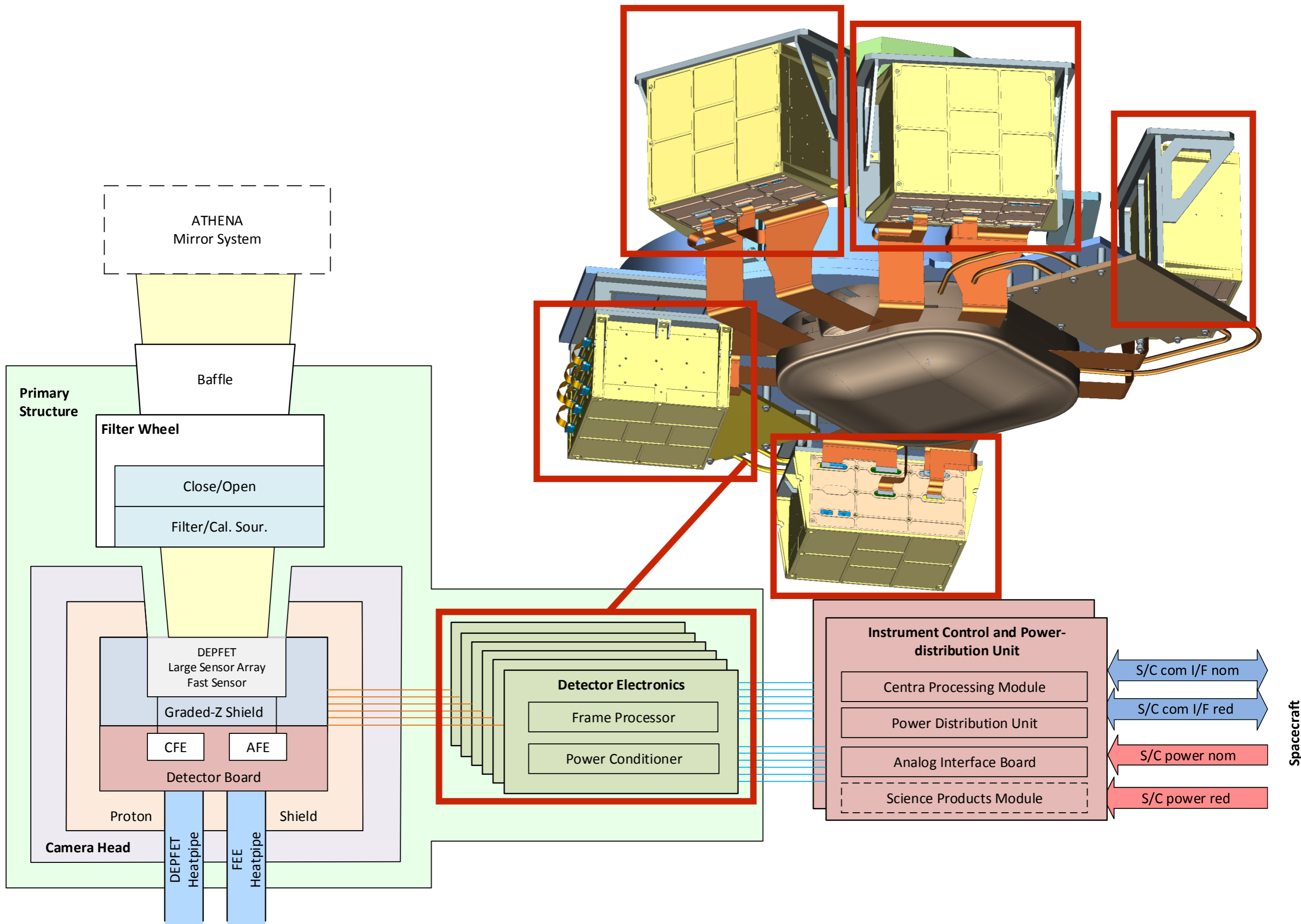
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Challenge: real-time data processing (e.g., 0.72 Gbit/s per LD)

Modular Breadboard designed and manufactured

Commercially available counterparts of flight components

Analysis and component testing ongoing in preparation for design for integrated breadboard (or EM).

Sequencer I/F

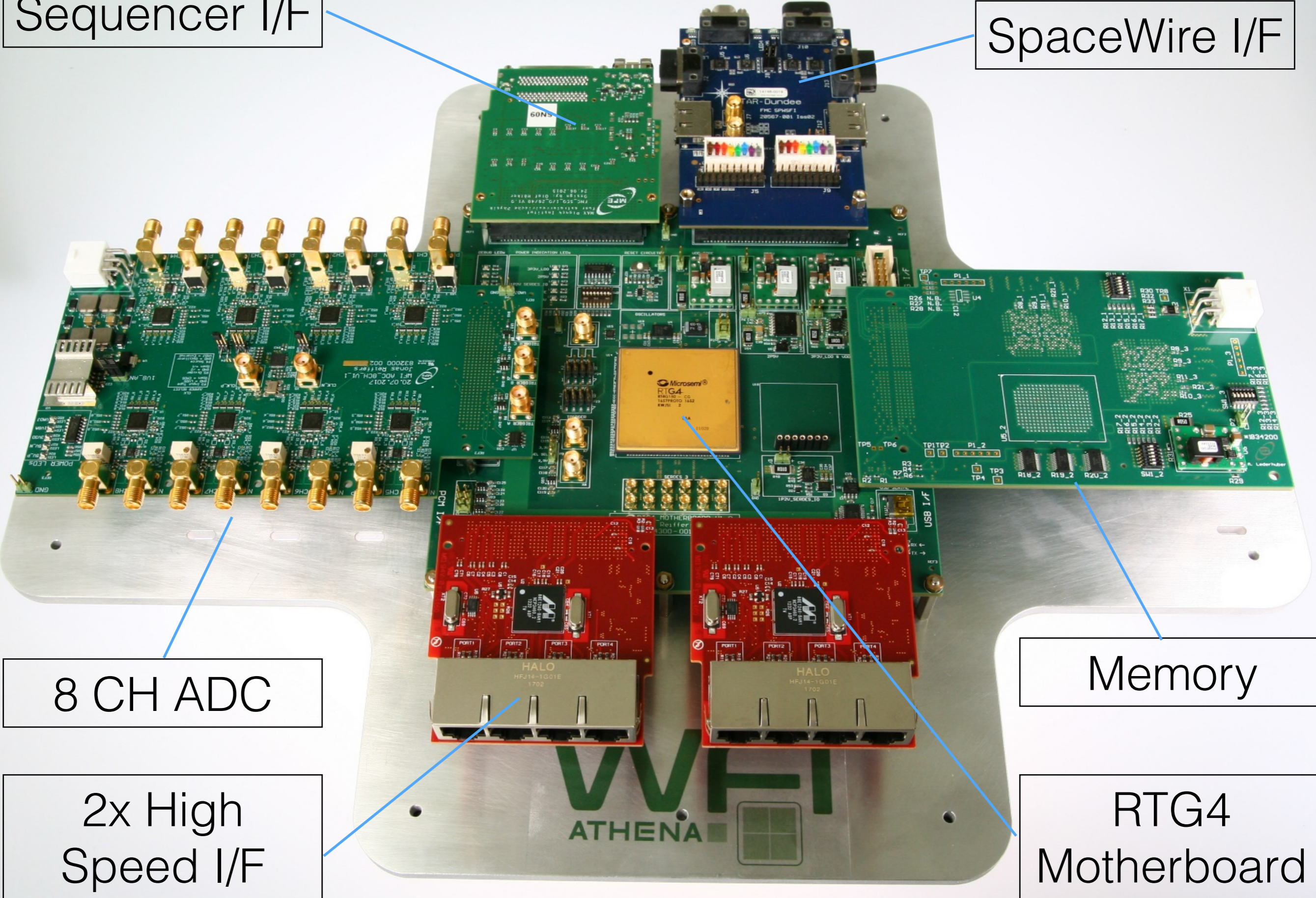
SpaceWire I/F

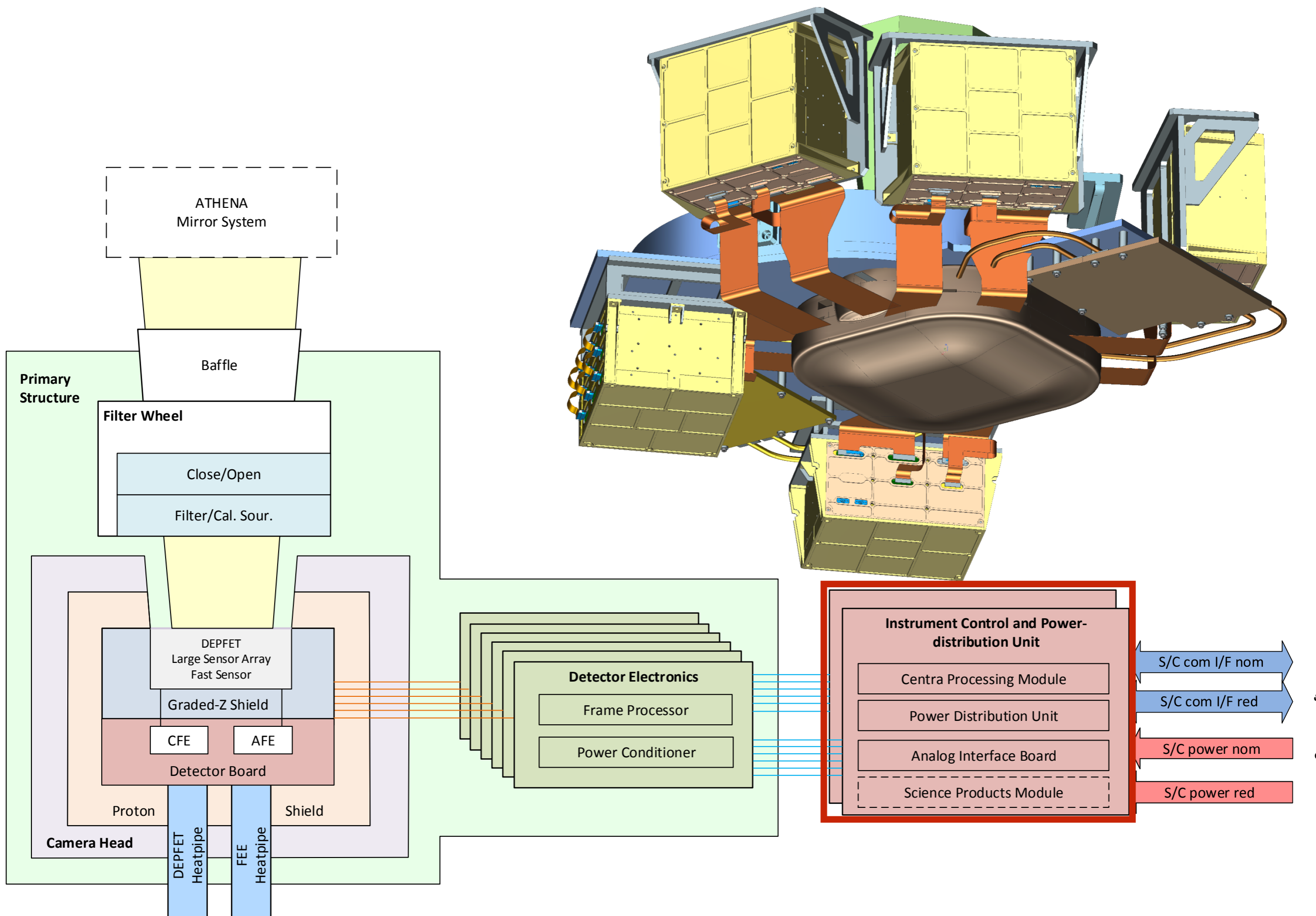
8 CH ADC

2x High Speed I/F

Memory

RTG4 Motherboard





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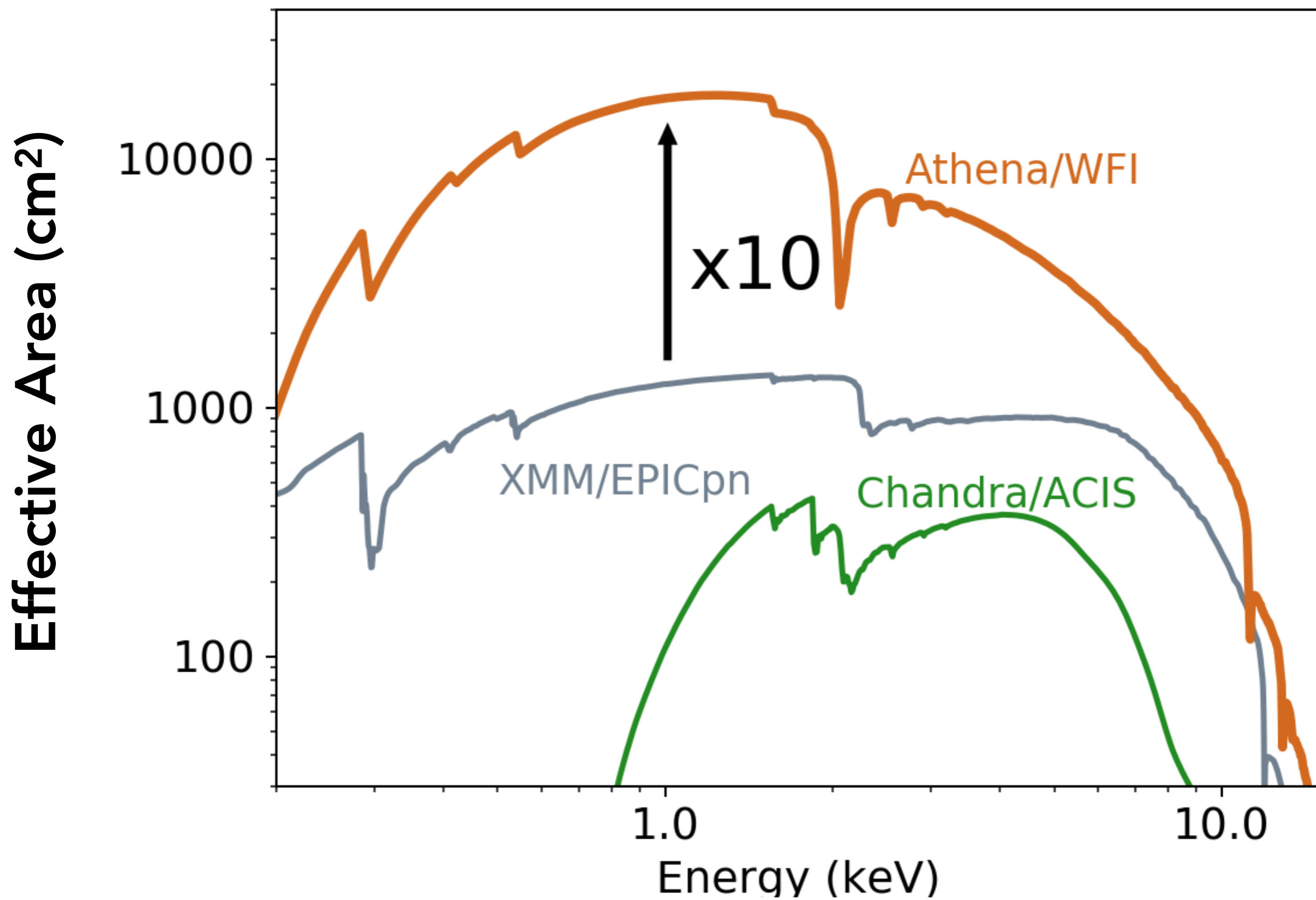
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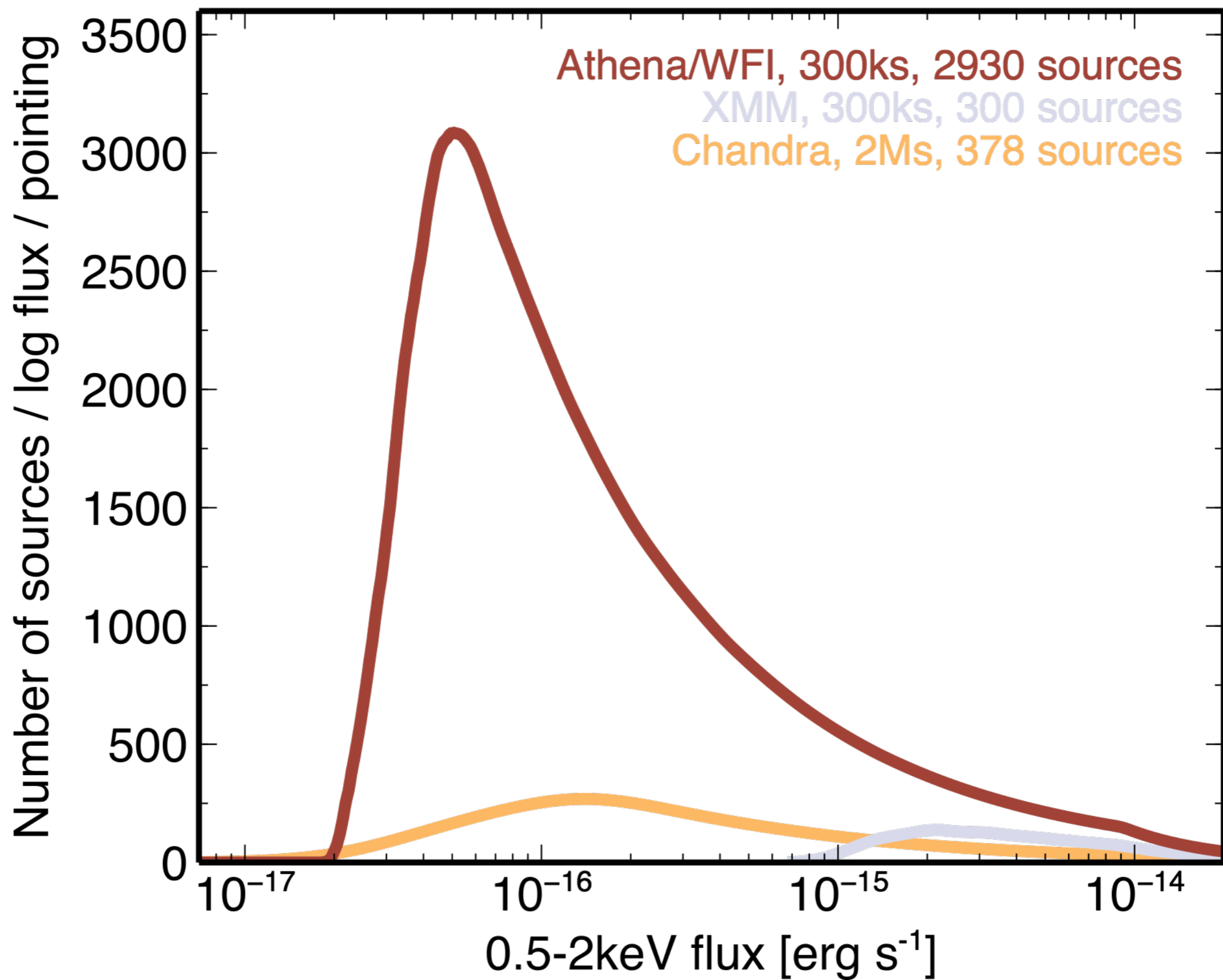
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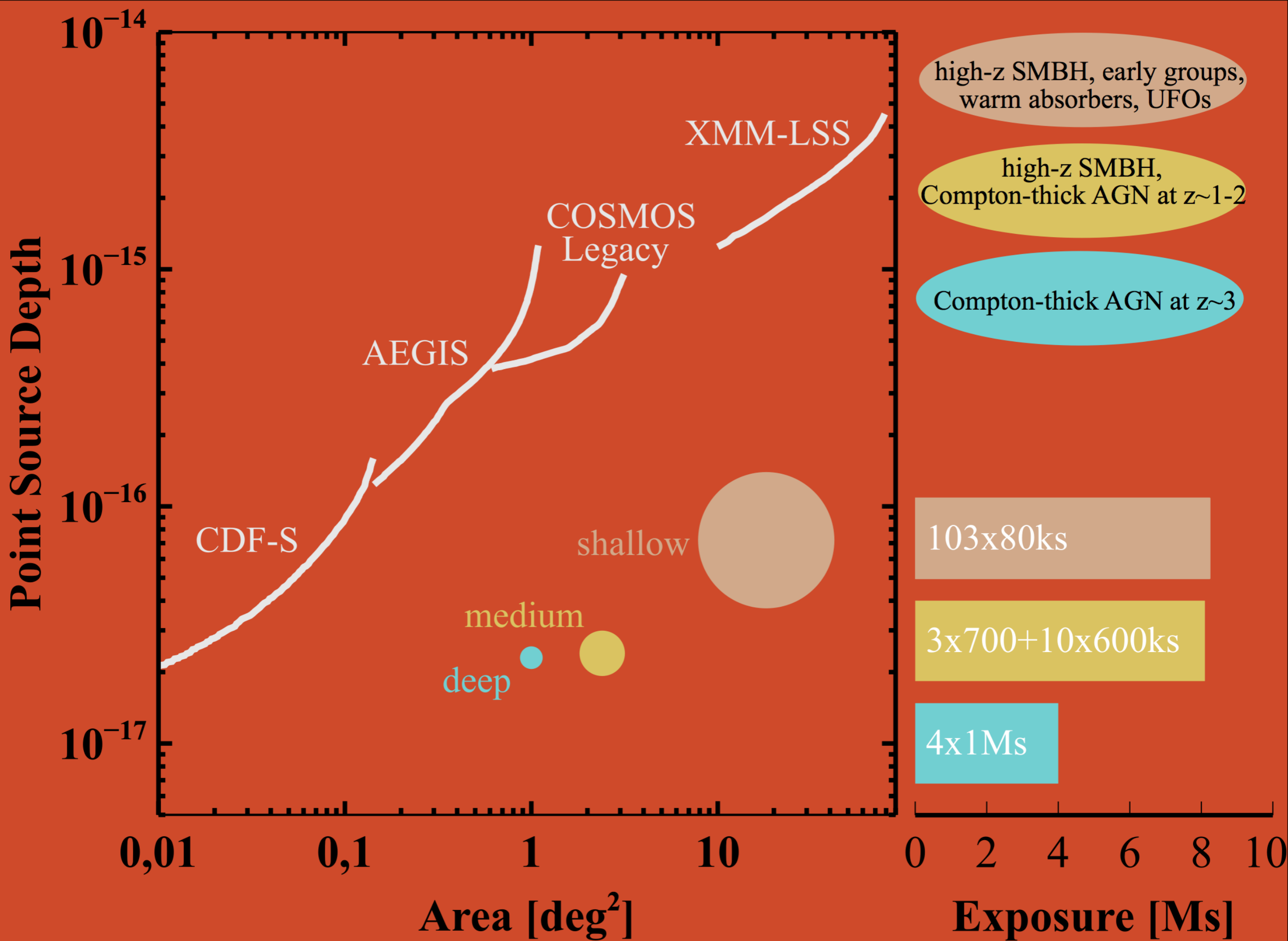
Instrument Performance

On-axis effective area



10x more sources per pointing





Schedule and Reviews

	Name	Start	Finish	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
1	▣ Wide Field Imager - Instrument Development	Jan 2015	Jul 2027										
2	Kick-off	Jan 2015	Jan 2015	KO	◆ Jan 2015								
3	Technology Development Activity (Phase A)	Jan 2015	Dez 2018										
4	Instrument Preliminary Requirements Review close-out	Nov 2018	Nov 2018					I-PRR	◆ Nov 2018				
5	Specification and Requirement Definition (Phase B1)	Dez 2018	Jun 2019						◆				
6	Instrument System Requirements Review	Jun 2019	Jun 2019						I-SRR	◆ Jun 2019			
7	Preliminary Design (Phase B2)	Jun 2019	Dez 2019						◆				
8	Instrument Preliminary Design Review	Dez 2019	Dez 2019						I-PDR	◆ Dez 2019			
9	▣ Phase C	Dez 2019	Dez 2022										

I-PRR

- data package delivered Sep 17th
- co-location meeting Oct 18th
- board meeting Oct 31st

Parameter	Performance			
Energy Range	0.2-15keV			
	0.2keV	1keV	7keV	10keV
Quantum Efficiency; w/ external filter	5.8%	83.1%	95.6%	92.2%
Quantum Efficiency; (w/o) external filter	11.7%	93.2%	99.7%	96.3%
Eff. Area*; on-axis, w/ external filter	0.082m ²	1.19m ²	0.17m ²	0.055m ²
Eff. Area*; on-axis, w/o external filter	0.162m ²	1.33m ²	0.18m ²	0.057m ²
Energy Resolution (end-of-life)		<80eV	<170eV	
Pixel Size	130μm x 130μm (i.e. 2.24" x 2.24")			
Positional Accuracy	<1" (99.7% confidence)			
	LDA		FD	
Field of View	40.17' x 40.17' (outer envelope)		2.38' x 2.38'	
Frame time	5ms		80μs	
FD Count Rate Capability*	1Crab: ~0.3% pile-up, ~95% throughput (w/ standard filter) 15Crab: ~1% pile-up, ~93% throughput (w/ 100μm Be filter)			
Point Source Sensitivity (0.5-2keV)	≤2.4 x 10 ⁻¹⁷ erg/cm ² /s (450ks)			
Surface Brightness Sensitivity (5-7keV)	≤6.2 x 10 ⁻¹⁶ erg/cm ² /s/arcmin ² (100ks; 5' circle)			
Instrumental Background	~5x10 ⁻³ cnt/s/cm ² /keV (2-7keV)			

END