The Alpha Magnetic Spectrometer on the International Space Station

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TRD: Transition Radiation Detector

TOF: (s1,s2) Time of Flight Detector

MG: Magnet TR: Silicon Tracker ACC: Anticoincidence Counter

AST: Amiga Star Tracker

TOF: (s1,s2) Time of Flight Detector • Transition Radiation Detector

• Time of Flight scintillator counters

• 8 layers of Si strip tracker planes in superconducting magnet

RICH: Ring Image Cherenkov Counter

EMC; Electromagnetic Calorimeter • Rich Imaging Cerenkov detector

• Electromagnetic calorimeter

Japan.

### The Alpha Magnetic Spectrometer



On International Space Station from October 2006

> • Study of charged particles and nuclei with rigidity 0.5 GV- few TV

• Direct search for antimatter (antihelium)

• Indirect search for Dark Matter

### How to detect antimatter in space? Basic idea: magnetic spectrometer



### **Cosmic ray sensitivity for dark matter search**



Cosmic-ray spectroscopy with high precision in particle identification:

p<sup>+</sup> Rejection > 10<sup>6</sup> e<sup>+</sup> Efficiency > 90%



y2K025 \_5 Gamma

# **AMS02 on International SpaceStation**

### •High Statistics (10<sup>10</sup> ev) + Good Discrimination

### •Space:

- -Thermal Environment (day/night:  $\Delta T \sim 100^{\circ}C$ )
- -Vibration (6.8 G RMS) and G-Forces (17G)
- Limitation : Weight (14 809 lb) and Power (2000 W)
- –Vacuum: < 10<sup>-10</sup> Torr
- -Reliable for more than 3 years Redundancy
- -Radiation: Ionizing Flux ~1000 cm<sup>-2</sup>s<sup>-1</sup>
- **–Orbital Debris and Micrometeorites**
- -Must operate without services and human Intervention

### Superconducting Magnet

### **Superfluid helium vessel**



### Analyzing power

### $BL^2 = 0.8 Tm^2$



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A puncture in the tank would result in expanding the volume from 2500 litres to  $1.9 \times 10^6$  litres (six times the volume of the shuttle cargo bay) with extremely serious consequences.

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# Superconducting





### 2500 Liters Superfluid He

### **AMS-02 Transition Radiation Detector**

Transition radiation is produced when particles cross boundaries between materials with different dielectric properties S.Gentile Talk 14 OG.1.5, 1-P-109

Significant for relativistic γ =E/m >~ 1000

At >~ GeV energies, electrons produce TR x-rays; protons do not: 3 –300GeV



# **TRD Support Structure**

### Mechanical Accuracy <100µm

328 chambers = 5248 tubes

### Modules



#### Honeycomb

**Support Panels** 

- •Trigger
- •Time-of-flight (velocity).
- Up/Down Separation
- •|Charge| Determination (dE/dx)
- •120 ps Time Resolution

- •8 m<sup>2</sup> Total Area
- •4 Planes (2 upper,2 lower)





### **Scintillator Paddles With Phototubes at Both Ends**

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# **Silicon Tracker**



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•Rigidity ( $\Delta R/R \approx 2\%$  for 1 GeV Protons) with Magnet •Signed Charge (*dE/dx*) •8 Planes, ~6m<sup>2</sup> •Pitch (Bending): 110 μm (coord. res.  $10 \mu m$ ) •Pitch (Non-Bending): 208µm (coord. res. 30 µm)

# **Silicon Tracker Ladder**





# **Ring Imaging Cerenkov Counter**

- Accurate Velocity
  Measurements via Opening
  Angle of Cerenkov Cone →
- Isotopic Separation.
- **|Q|** measurements
- $\Delta\beta/\beta \sim 0.1\%$
- •Cosmic Ray Propagation.
- •Additional Particle Identification capability



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### AMS II - RICH





#### **RICH - Test Beam Results**



# **Electromagnetic Calorimeter**

# **3D sampling calorimeter**

- •9 superlayers of 10 fiber/lead planes each alternate in x and y scintillating fibers viewed by PMT
- 16.4  $X_0$  radiation length
- Measure energy and (angle) of  $\gamma$ , e<sup>+</sup>,e<sup>-</sup>
- •Distinguish e, p better than 10<sup>3</sup> in the range 1 GeV-1 TeV.

### **Electromagnetic Calorimeter**



### **10-3 p<sup>±</sup> Rejection at 95% e<sup>±</sup> Efficiency Via Shower Profile**

### **ECAL Prototype After Testbeam**





#### **PMT's + Readout**

PMT + Readout Housing Al Support Structure

# Energy resolution



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#### **AMS-02 Electronics**

A.S., CIEMAT, CSIST, ETH, Geneva, INFN (Perugia), LAPP, MIT, NCKU, NSPO, RWTH-1, SJTU,...



The AMS electronics is based on accelerator physics technologies. It is ~ 10 times faster than commercial space electronics.



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Most are made in CSIST, Taiwan

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### **ACOP:** AMS Computer facility



A "off" board backup is forseen once a month by austronauts simonetta gentile, ICRC03, Tsukuba, 27 Japan.



# **Star Tracker**

# Angular resolution



30 arcsec



- |Q| measured from Tracker, RICH, TOF.
- $\pm Q$  measured from tracker.
- Velocity  $\beta$  measured from TOF, TRD, RICH.
- Hadron Rejection TRD, ECAL.

Main design characteristics:

- Minimum X<sub>o</sub> (up to ECAL)
- $\bullet$  Many independent measurement of  $\beta$
- •Acceptance 0.5 m<sup>2</sup> anti-He search
- •Hadron/positron  $\Delta\beta/\beta = 0.1$  % to distinguish <sup>9</sup>Be, <sup>10</sup>Be, <sup>3</sup>He, <sup>4</sup>He isotopes.
- •Rigidity R = pc/|Z| e GV resolution 20% at 0.5 TV and Helium resolution of 20% at 1TV.

# Conclusions

- AMS02 will measure charged cosmic rays up to few TeV rigidity for 3 to 5 year on International Space station from October 2006.
- To search for:
- Antimatter
- Dark Matter
- Cosmic Ray Fluxes and propagation
- Search for isotopes
- High Energy  $\gamma$

Many channels are measured simultaneously, which will give a strong constrain on models and increase the potential of discovery.