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# Recent Gamma-ray Results from DAMPE

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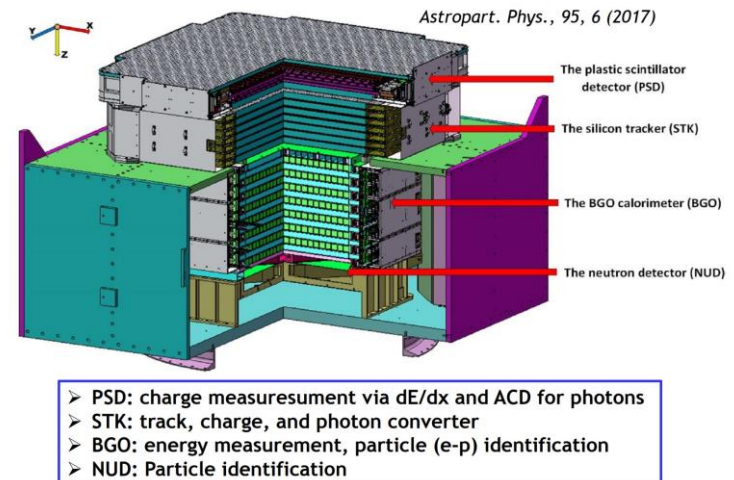
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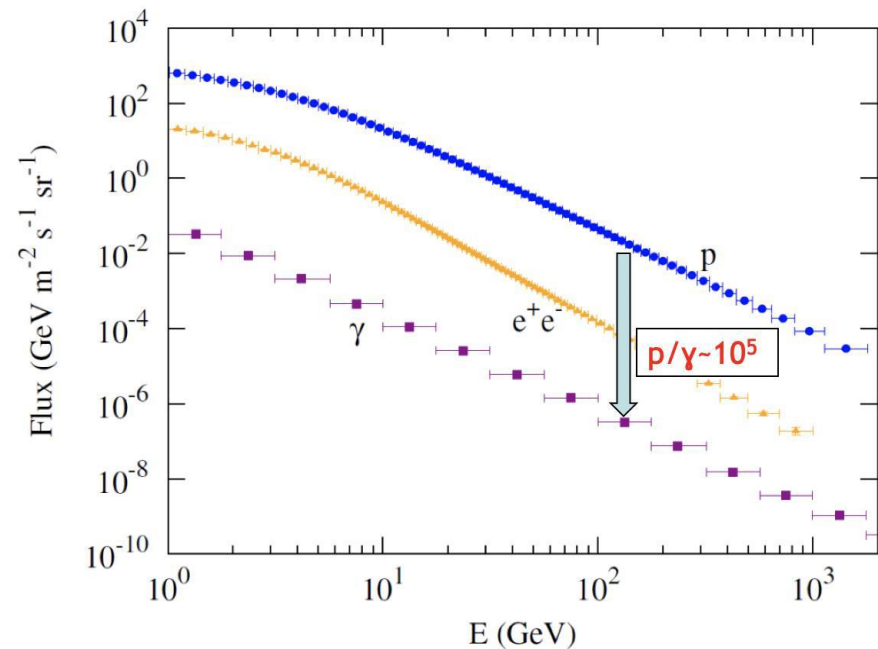
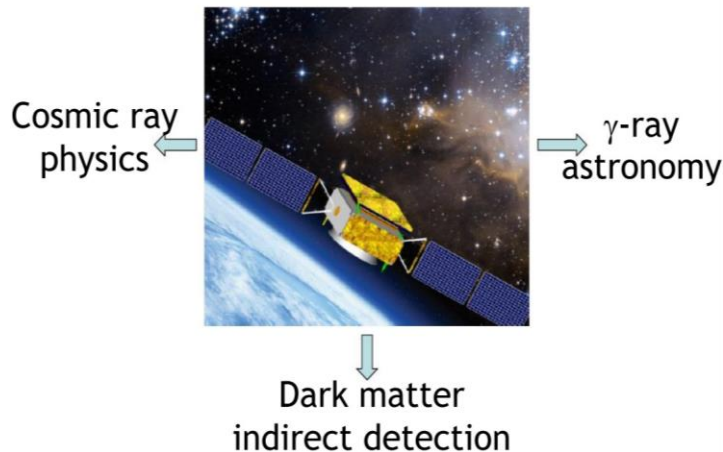
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# Introduction — gamma-ray observation of DAMPE

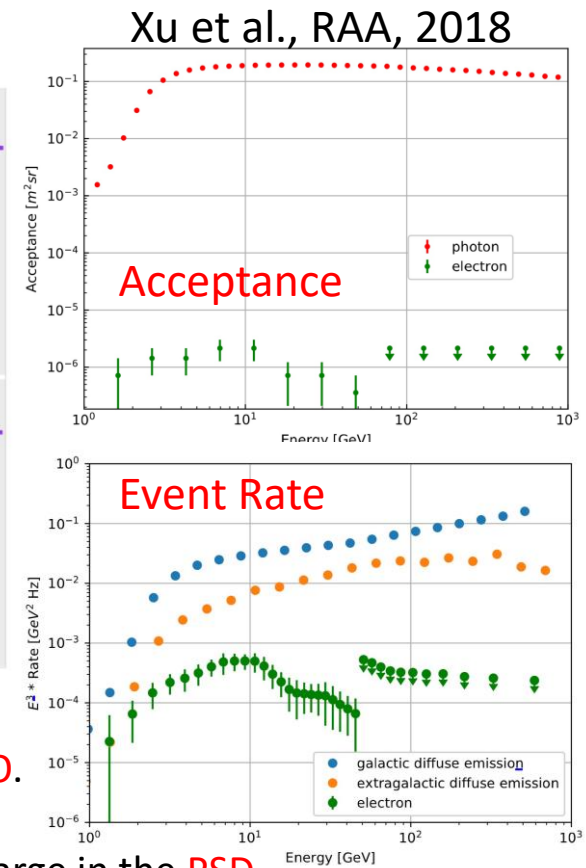
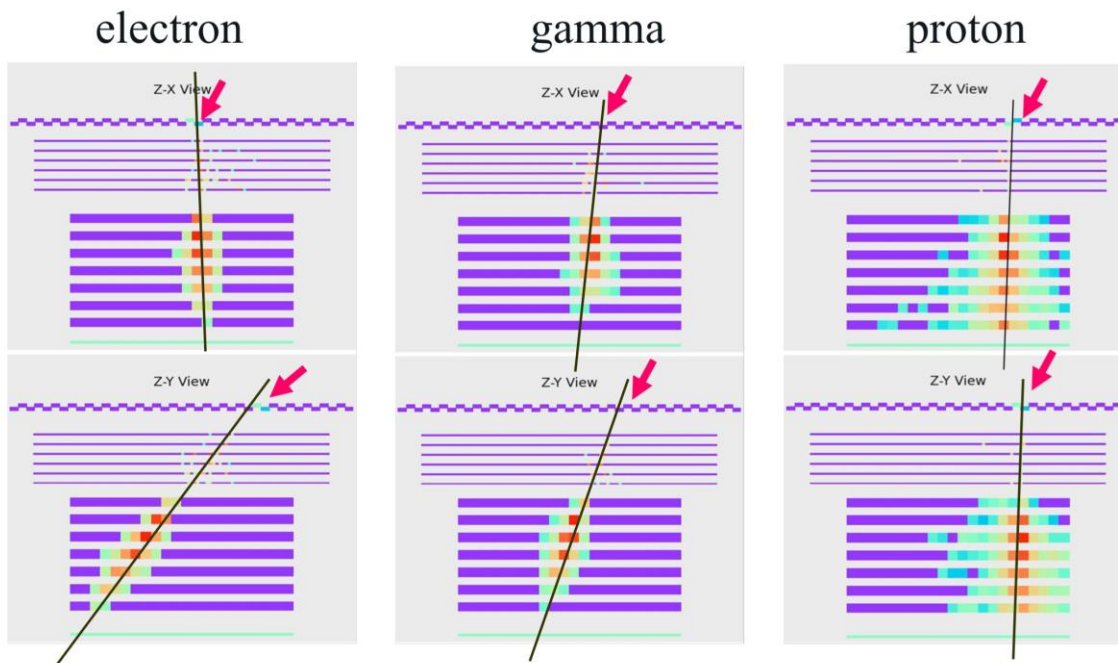
## Three major scientific goals



Gamma-ray astronomy is one of the three major scientific goals of DAMPE, but the flux of the gamma rays is orders of magnitude lower (by 3 to 5 orders) compared to that of electrons and protons in the GeV energy band.



# Introduction — gamma-ray selection of DAMPE



- Distinguish electrons and protons based on the shower in the **BGO**.
  - Reconstruct the direction using the tracker in the **STK**.
  - Differentiate between electrons and gamma rays based on the charge in the **PSD**.
- These steps enable us to distinguish gamma-ray events from the cosmic ray background effectively.

# Introduction — performance for gamma-ray observation

## ➤ Effective area:

~ 1200 cm<sup>2</sup> @ 10 GeV

~ 1200 cm<sup>2</sup> @ 100 GeV

## ➤ Angular resolution:

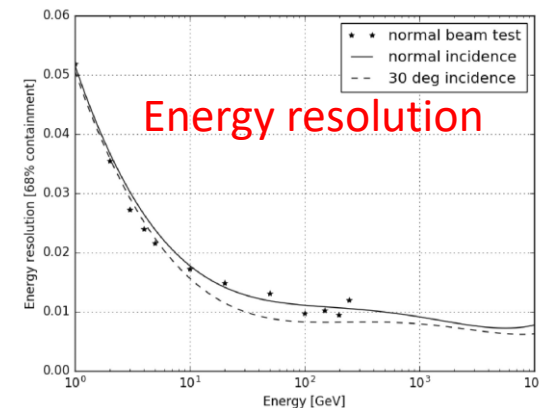
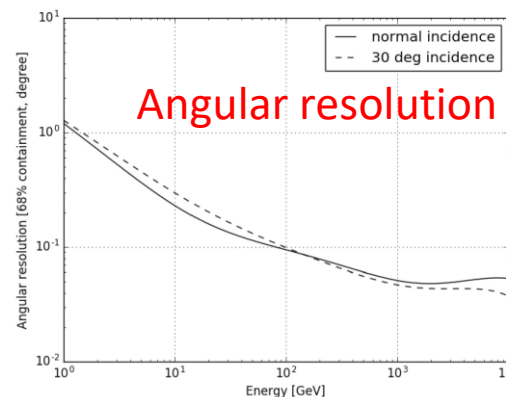
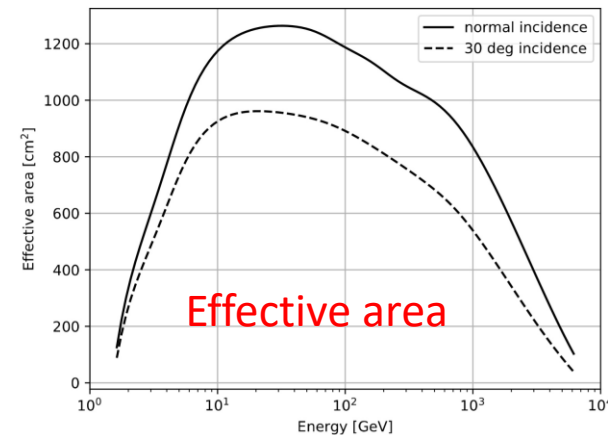
~ 0.3 degree @ 10 GeV

~ 0.1 degree @ 100 GeV

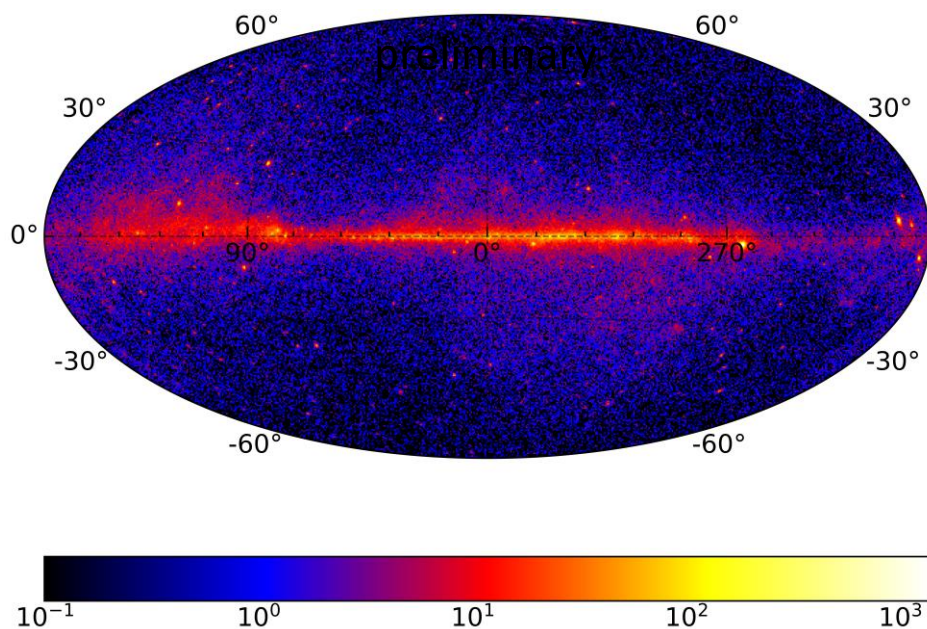
## ➤ Energy resolution:

~ 2% @ 10 GeV

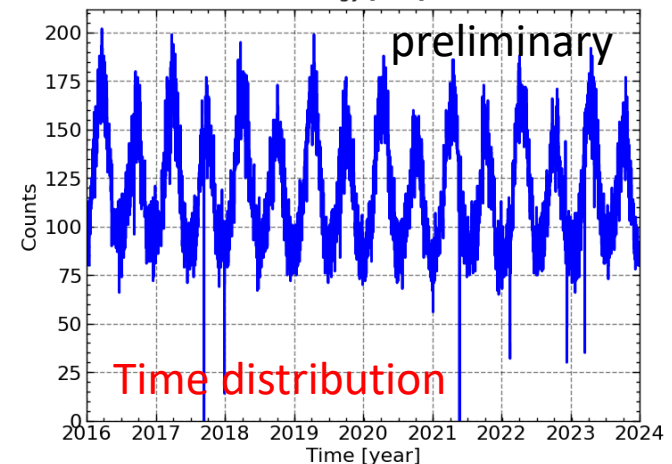
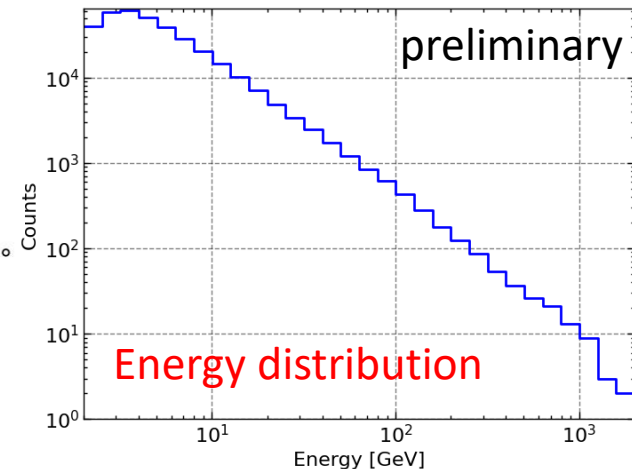
~ 1% @ 100 GeV



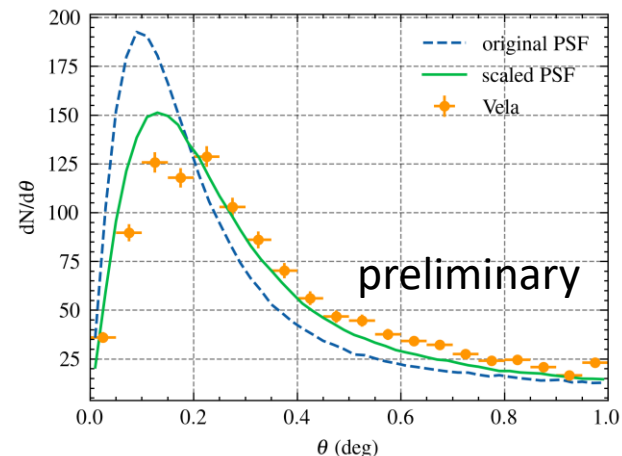
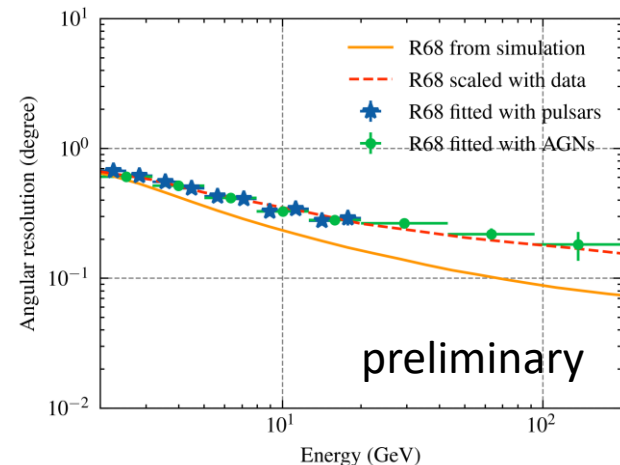
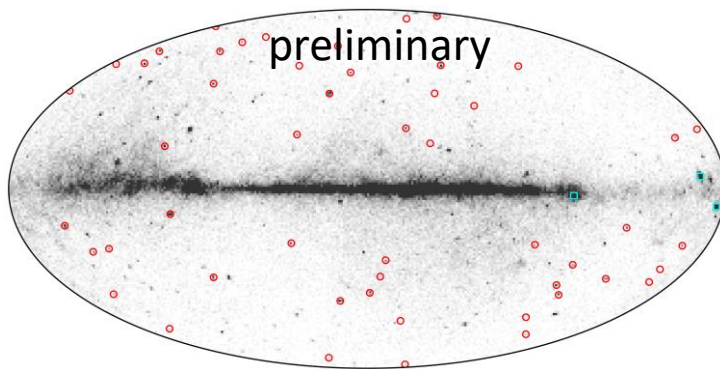
# Introduction — 8-yr gamma-ray photons' distribution



After eight years of operation, DAMPE has recorded over **0.3 million** gamma-ray photons ranging from 2 GeV to 2 TeV with **192 million** seconds of live-time.

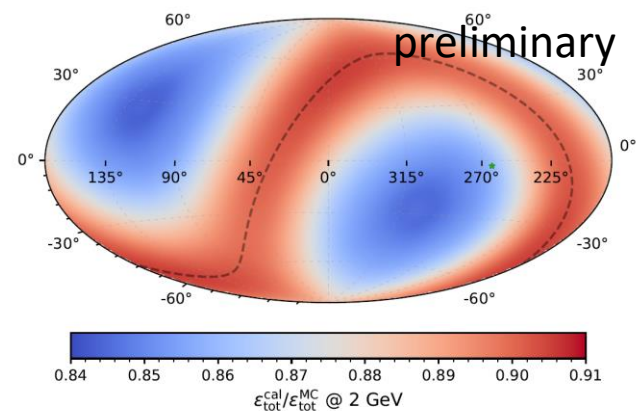
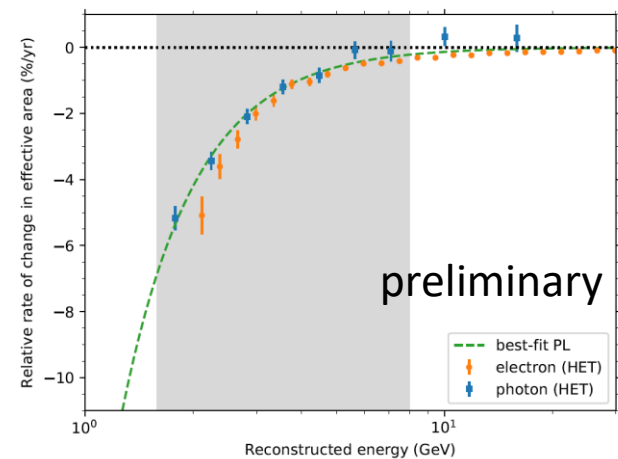
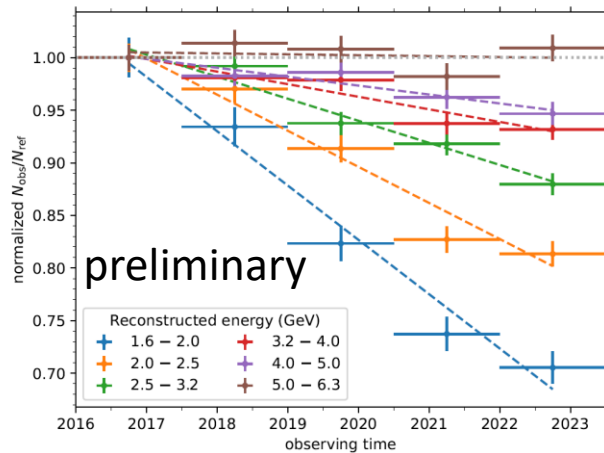


# Calibration — PSF Calibration with pulsars and AGNs



- With data around pulsars and bright AGNs, we calibrated the Point-Spread Function (PSF).
- The calibration improved the angular resolution to closely match the values obtained from observation.
- The angular distribution of the observed data around Vela pulsar shows a significant improvement.

# Calibration — The calibration of effective area

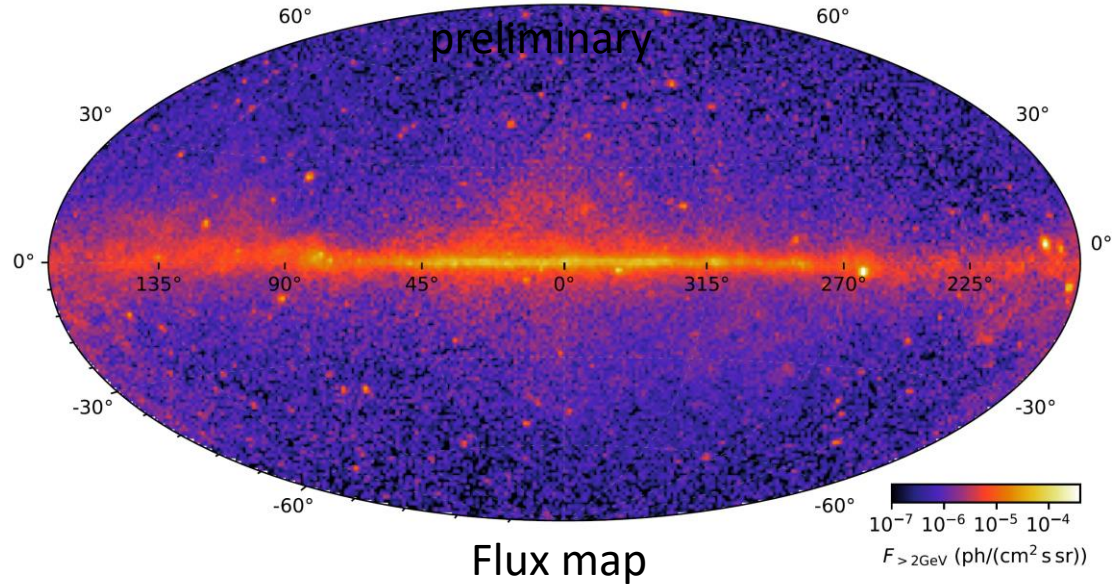


- We observed a significant time variation in the effective area, which can be attributed to the increasing thresholds.
- We calculated data-based correction factors for the effective areas and applied to the exposure maps.
- The calibrated exposure can be  $\sim 12\%$  smaller than the Monte Carlo one on average at 2 GeV.

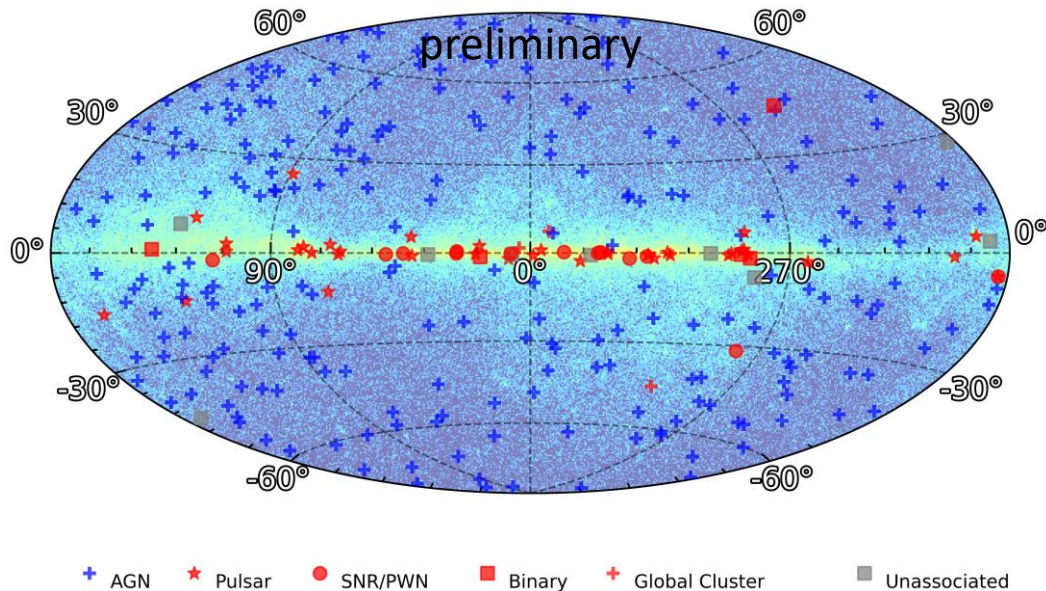


# Scientific results from DAMPE gamma-ray data

- Point Sources
- Fermi Bubbles
- Galactic Center Excess
- Gamma-ray Line Search



# Point Sources

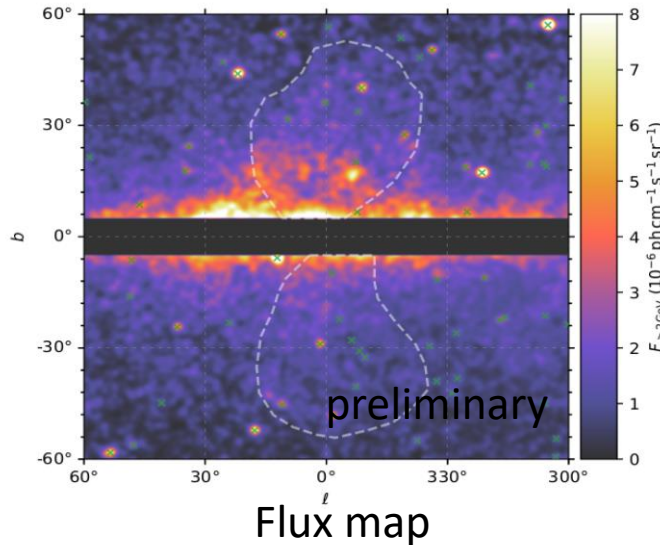


| Source type    | number |
|----------------|--------|
| AGN            | 241    |
| Pulsar         | 62     |
| SNR/PWN        | 14     |
| Binary         | 5      |
| Global cluster | 4      |
| Unassociated   | 10     |
| Total          | 336    |

➤ We use 7.5 yr DAMPE gamma-ray data for point sources searching.

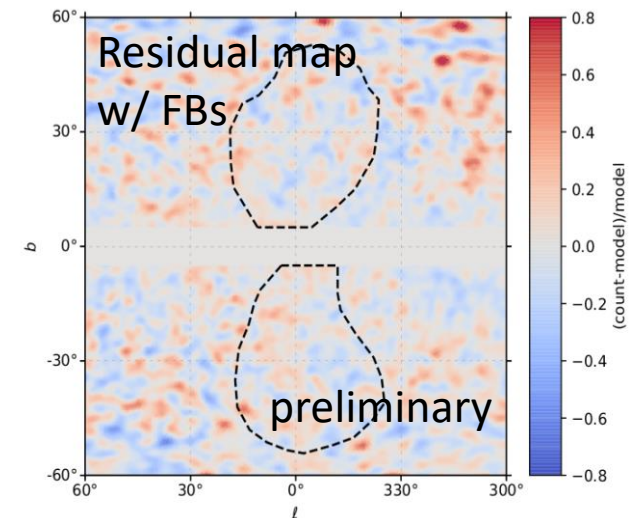
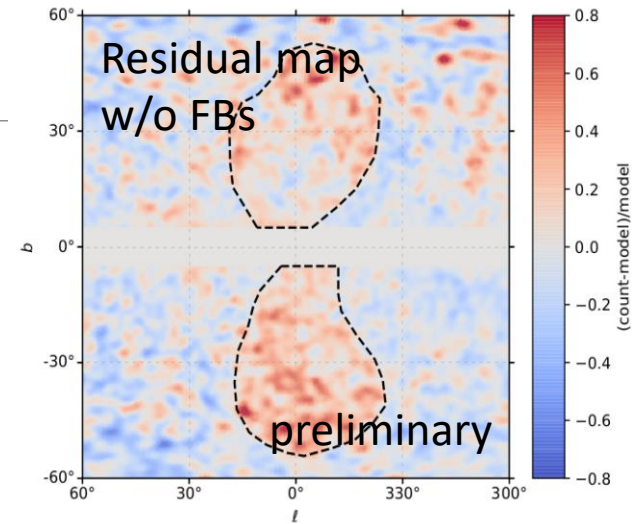
➤ **336** sources are detected with  $TS > 25$ . Most of the sources are AGNs and pulsars.

# Fermi Bubbles



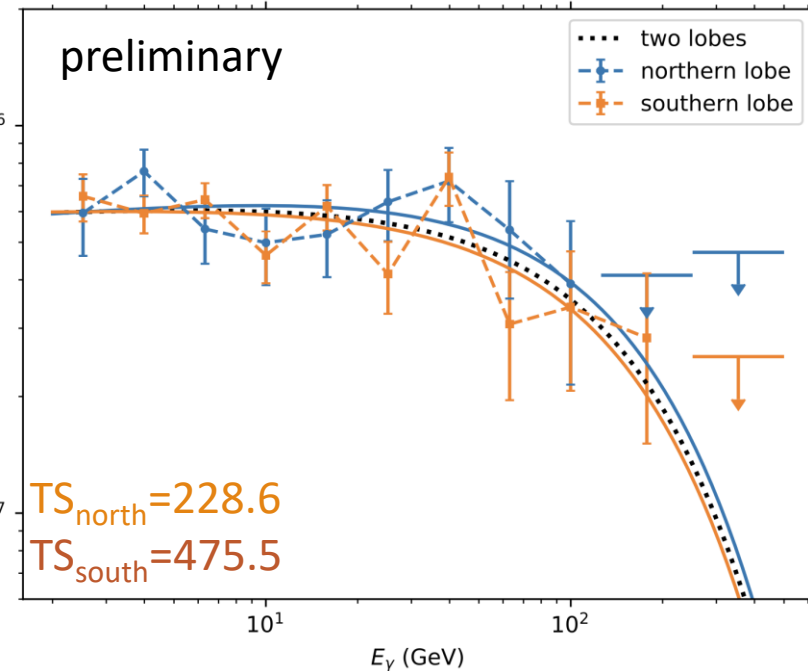
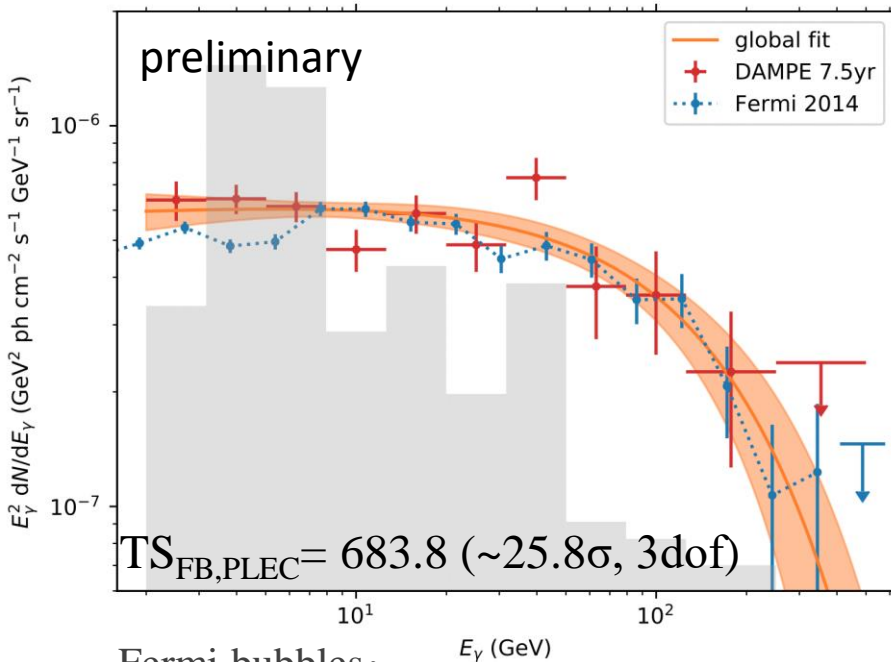
7.5yr DAMPE gamma-ray data  
 $|l| < 60^\circ$ ,  $5^\circ < |b| < 60^\circ$   
 mask  $1.5^\circ$  circular around the point sources

Fermi bubbles (FBs)  
 Galactic diffuse emission  
 Point sources  
 Isotropic diffuse emission





# Fermi Bubbles



Fermi bubbles:

$TS_{\text{FB,PLEC}} = 683.8$  ( $\sim 25.8\sigma$ , 3dof),  $N_{\text{pred}} = 3019.6$ ;  $TS_{\text{FB,bin}} = 686.3$  ( $\sim 25.2\sigma$ , 11dof)

Spectrum curvature:

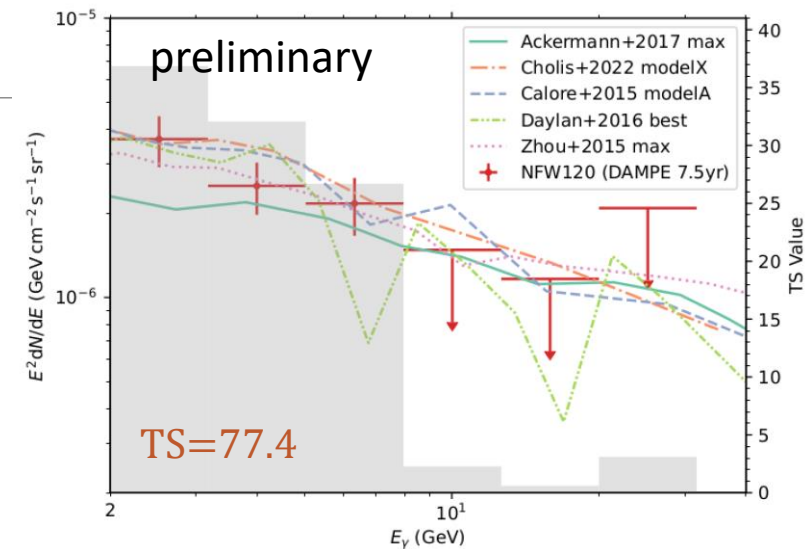
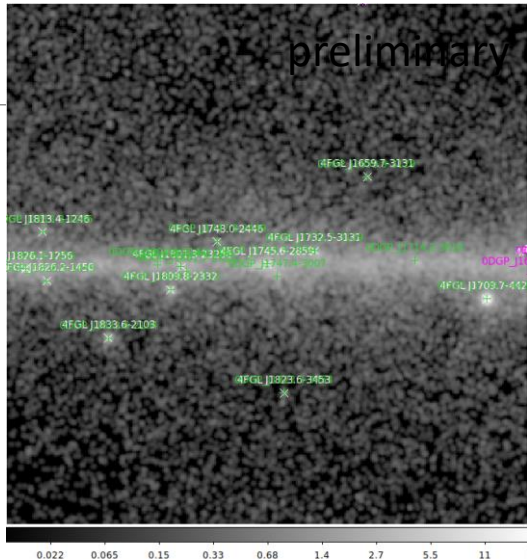
$TS_{\text{curve}} = 11.2$  ( $\sim 3.3\sigma$ , 1dof), the Power-Law with E cut-off spectral type is slightly better than the LogParabola ( $\Delta TS \sim 5.6$ )

Best-fit spectral parameters:

spectral index =  $1.96 \pm 0.08$ , cutoff energy  $E_{\text{cut}} = 149 \pm 61$  GeV,  $F_{>2\text{GeV}} = (2.92 \pm 0.17) \times 10^{-7}$  ph/cm<sup>2</sup>/s/sr

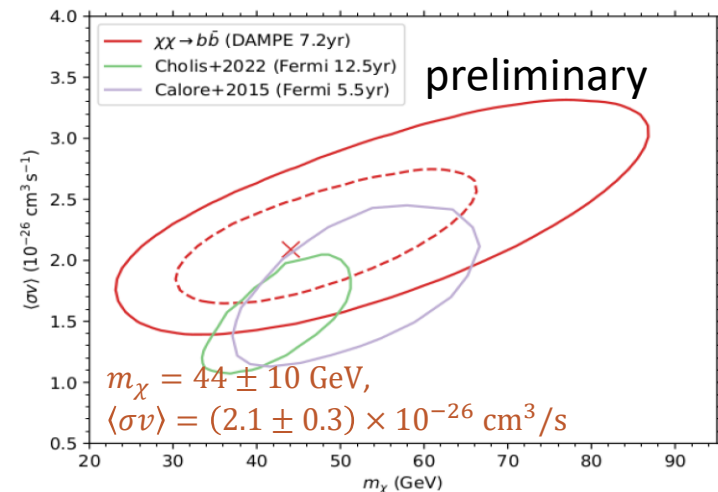


# Galactic Center Excess

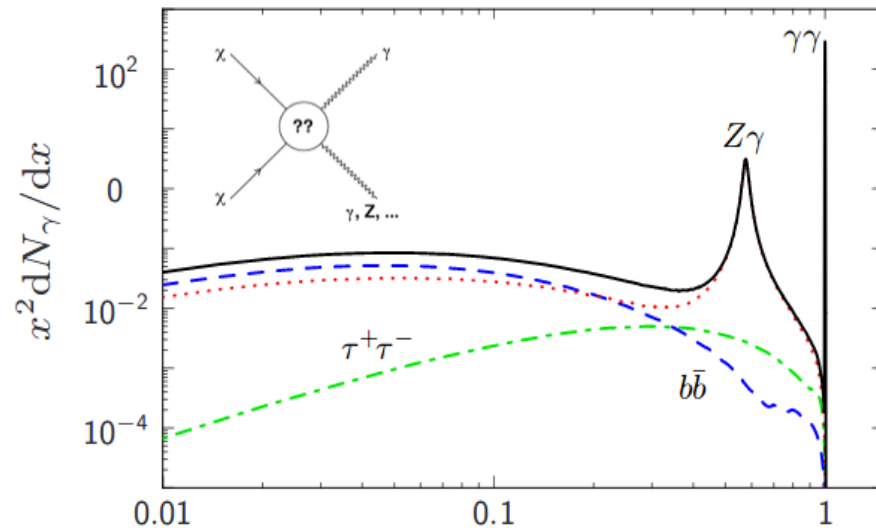


7.5yr DAMPE gamma-ray data  
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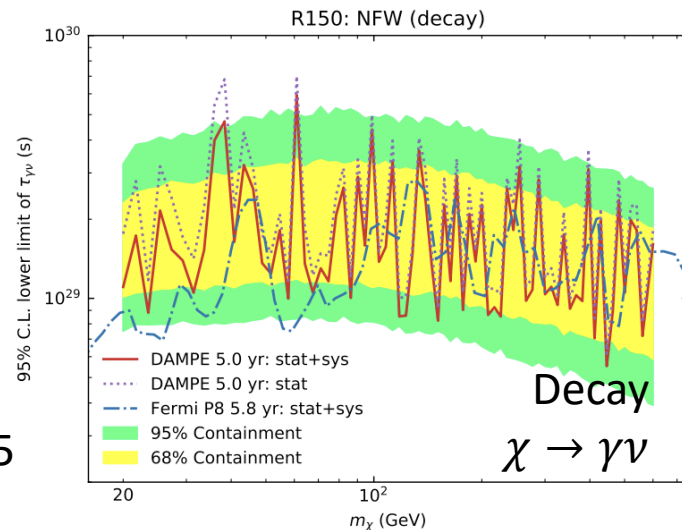
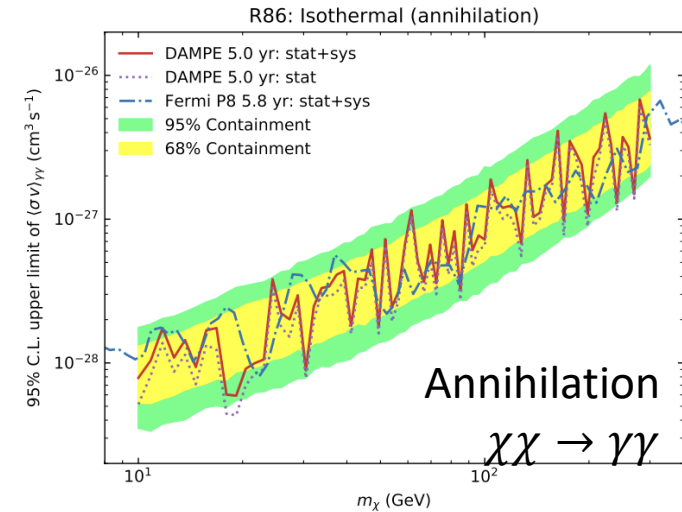
Galactic Center Excess model (NFW)  
 Fermi bubbles (FBs)  
 Galactic diffuse emission  
 Point sources  
 Isotropic diffuse emission



# Gamma-ray Line Search



$$x \equiv E_\gamma/m_\chi$$



- Gamma-ray line is the “smoking gun” signal for dark matter indirect search.
- The energy resolution of DAMPE is excellent for searching gamma-ray lines.
- We searched for the lines with 5 years data between 5 and 450 GeV. No significant line signals are detected.
- More data is currently being analyzed.

# Data Release

## Data

[Data Policy](#)  
[Data Access](#)

## Software

[FITS Tools](#)  
[DmpST](#)

## Related Links

## DAMPE Photon and Spacecraft Data Query

Coordinate system:

J2000

'J2000' for equatorial coordinates, 'Galactic' for Galactic coordinates

Coordinates(degree):

(RA, DEC) in J2000 or (L, B) in Galactic coordinate pair for a target, for example '128.84, -45.18' in J2000 or '263.55, -2.79' in Galactic for Vela pulsar, the range of RA or L is from 0 to 360, the range of DEC or B is from -90 to 90.

Search radius  
(degree):

search radius around the target, for example '7', the range of search radius is from 0 to 180.

Time system:

UTC

'UTC' for Coordinated Universal Time or 'MET' for Mission Elapsed Time

Observation starts:

for example '2016-01-01 00:00:00' or '2016-01-01' in UTC or '94608000' in MET

Observation ends:

for example '2016-02-01 00:00:00' or '2016-02-01' in UTC or '97286400' in MET

Energy range (GeV):

the minimum and maximum event energies, for example '3, 300', the ranges of minimum and maximum energy are from 3 to 1000.

Spacecraft data:

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use this option to download spacecraft data for the requested time range

Start Search

Reset

<https://dampe.nssdc.ac.cn/dampe/dataquerysc.php>

<http://dgdb.pmo.ac.cn/dampe/>



# Summary

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We have calibrated the PSF and effective area of DAMPE for gamma-ray observation.

336 sources are detected with 7.5-yr gamma-ray data.

Fermi Bubbles (FBs) and Galactic Center Excess (GCE) are detected, the results are matched with those of Fermi-LAT.

Gamma-ray line are searched with 5-yr gamma-ray data. Upper limits are constrained for dark matter.

Gamma-ray data of DAMPE are released.



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Thanks for your attention