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## Μετρήσεις σωματιδίων

Χωφοχφονικές μεταβολές ενεφγητικών ηλεκτφονίων

## Energetic particles in space

what do we measure in space ? omnidirectional flux differential flux pitch angle distribution <u>time evolution</u> of particle fluxes, & pitch angle distributions



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### Interaction of charged particles with matter

When charged particles pass through matter (M >  $m_e$ )

a) <u>they lose energy</u>

inelastic collisions mainly with atomic electrons cause ionization or excitation of the atoms many many many collisions !! statistical average energy loss/unit length <u>"dE/dx"</u>

Stopping power (ισχύς πέδησης):

$$S = -\frac{dE}{dx}$$

b) <u>they change direction</u>
 ➢ elastic scattering from atomic nuclei

## Principle of operation: simple solid-state detector



 $Q \propto \Delta E$ 

Charged particle passing through silicon creates electron-hole pairs. The total charge collected is proportional to the energy lost by the charged particle

## Ανιχνευτές Στερεάς Κατάστασης





Οι φορείς οδηγούνται λόγω του ηλεκτρικού πεδίου στην άνοδο (ηλεκτρόνια) και την κάθοδο (οπές)





#### An electron spectrometer type instrument



Electrons bend in a magnetic field and reach the detection plane at different distances proportional to their energies and are detected by dE/dx loss in individual solid state detectors



## MagEIS: Magnetic Electron Ion Spectrometer of Van Allen Probes





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### Van Allen radiation belts



### Particle motions in a magnetic dipole





### Relativistic Electrons & Geomagnetic Storms



- Recovery phase
  - Increased fluxes
  - Energization
- Main phase
  - Flux dropout
  - Adiabatic field change & particle loss
- Flux changes
  - Decrease or no change in about 50% of storms – GEO data

### **SAMPEX Shows Traditional Two Belt Structure**

Long term (~12 year) plot from SAMPEX shows the established two belt structure





#### Electron acceleration in the outer radiation belt

# **Relativistic Electrons: Energization**



- High solar wind speeds

   ( > 500 km/s) and
   southward B<sub>z</sub>
- Substorm-generated seed population (extending to hundreds of keV)
- Physical processes
  - radial transport
  - in-situ acceleration

## MagEIS Medium Unit (Calculation of nominal energy)

| Pixel  | P1  | P2   | P3   | P4   | P5   | P6   | P7   | P8   |
|--------|-----|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| r (mm) | 8.1 | 10.2 | 12.2 | 14.1 | 16.1 | 17.9 | 19.7 | 21.5 |



### MagEIS Medium Unit (Calculation of differential flux)

$$J = \frac{Counts}{\Delta E \cdot \Delta t \cdot G}$$

| Pixel                      | P1    | P2    | P3    | P4    | P5    | P6    | P7    | P8    |
|----------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| CR (#/sec)                 | 5607  | 2461  | 1932  | 1347  | 906   | 721   | 523   | 398   |
| ΔE (keV)                   | 72    | 90    | 106   | 120   | 132   | 144   | 150   | 162   |
| G (cm <sup>2</sup> sr keV) | 0.281 | 0.328 | 0.342 | 0.343 | 0.332 | 0.316 | 0.303 | 0.287 |