Progress of UV background analysis from EUSO-Balloon data

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EUSO-Balloon measurements



- using of CPU-TRIGGER data: "normal" acquisition mode
- 1 point ~ averaged value of counts per good active pixels of PDM per 128 GTUs
- Good pixels suggested by Camille Moretto (all pixels with low gain or with too high noise are rejected)



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Histogram of active good pixels: 03:08:45 - 05:47:53 (UT)

• Histogram of all active good pixels measurements

We have focused on measurements without city lights by Timmins -> 05:16:14 - 05:47:53 (UT)



EUSO-Balloon measurements

 Only "ACTIVE" PMTs are included to the averaged values per whole PDM





 Only "GOOD & ACTIVE" pixels are included to the averaged pixels values per all good & active pixels of PDM

(all jumps disappeared)

Example of UV BG measurements without additional light sources



The 3 best PMTs with the highest number of good pixels (with 57, 57 and 58 pixels) have been chosen from Camille Moretto map to crosscheck our results



Good pixels (DAC 250)

Time evolution - histograms of 3 best PMTs of particular .dat files



Example of UV BG measurements without additional light sources

-> best single peak histograms

Investigation of PDM observed structures (ground, clouds, light sources, ...) is crucial for UV BG analysis

- PDM FoV 05:16 05:48 (each 8 min)
- PDM side projection ~ 8.4 km, azimuth reconstructed by Camille Catalano

UV background map - each observed value of PDM pixel was associated with its calculated ground position

EUSO- Balloon, UV BG map, 05:16:15 - 05:47:37 (UT), azimuth(t), Good pixels only

Clouds could change UV intensity (due to higher albedo)

A few notes to PDM - IR CAM - Google Earth referencing

• we found light source from Helicopter in PDM data

• we used table from Mario Bertina and Gregorio Suino (INFN)

• we found IR camera image with nearest time and associated it with Google Earth

- IR image: 206 → 05:34:48 (UT)
- Azimuth ~ 267.45° (in correspondence with azimuth reconstruction by Camille Catalano)

• we calculated position of each pixel of PDM for this time and azimuth, and plot Helicopter position

- Time: 05:34:24 (UT)
- Azimuth ~ 267.45°

EB center Lat: 48.6366° EB center Lon: -82.1063° Helicopter Lat: 48.6523° Helicopter Lon: -82.1267° 14 • we compared position of PDM with its observation

NO geographical correspondence for standard PDM mapping!

• we proposed correct orientation of PDM

GOOD correspondence for vertical flipped and + 90° turned PDM

- \rightarrow vertical flip could be due to optics or due to side from which you look on PDM
- → rotation + 90° is due to fact that X axis points geographical North when the azimuth is 0°

Conclusions

- We have estimated value of UV background
 ~ 0.68 pe counts of pixel
- We have created UV background map which is needed for complex investigation of UV BG
- Clouds which are visible in IR could increase intensity in UV range
- Correct orientation of PDM should be taken into account

Future plans

- Preparation of UV Background map for whole EB flight from the PDM measurements
- Study of cloud effects on UV intensity
- Investigation of UV BG changes during the night
- Comparison of results with AURIC model
- Production of complex UV background map (for 24 Aug 2014) anchored to balloon results