Progress of UV background analysis from EUSO-Balloon data

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Intensity of PDM data

- CPU-TRIGGER data: "normal" acquisition mode
- Values of PDM pixels averaged per 128 GTUs

Conversion of intensity units:

- → Good pixels with their efficiency suggested by Camille Morreto QE = 0.2 (for this calculation)
- → Efficiency of the optics: OE = 0.24
- Number of PDM pixels: $N_p = 2304$
- Acceptance: *A* = 144/3282.81 m² sr
- Exposure time: t = 1 GTU = 2500 ns



Good pixels with efficiency (DAC 250, gain 64)



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Averaged UV intensity

EUSO-Balloon measurements



• Understanding of each observation for current time, position and weather situation is desired for UV background analysis

PDM UV map



- Calculation of ground position of each PDM pixel for each time were performed (height, position, azimuth as function of time were needed)
- Measured intensity of each pixel was associated with its position

EUSO- Balloon, UV map, 03:08:45 - 05:47:53 (UT)



PDM UV map



- UV map match geographical map just for time 05:16 05:48 (UT)
- Update of azimuth is required to match also data over Timmins



IR map

- Calculation of ground position of each IR camera pixel for each time were also performed
- Scale is in number of counts
- Not so clear overlapping clouds were moving

EUSO- Balloon, IR map, 03:12:58 - 05:46:51 (UT)



Video: Observations of IR camera



- Clouds (green and blue) are moving!
- Only frames with good azimuth are displayed

Region without clouds

Region and time without clouds were selected and investigated



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UV BG without clouds: 276 ph m⁻² sr⁻¹ ns ⁻¹

- Region and time without clouds and without mine were selected
- Histograms for IR and UV were filled with values from this region only

EUSO- Balloon, IR map, 05:30:47 - 05:46:51 (UT), FoV of PDM EUSO- Balloon, UV BG map, 05:29:49 - 05:47:53 (UT) 48.7 48.68 48.68 48 deg 1600 1000 48.68 1400 800 48.66 48.66 1200 1000 48.64 600 48.64 800 48.62 400 48.62 600 400 48. 200 48.6 200 -82.04 -82.02 -82.02 -82.04 Longitude [deg] Longitude [deg] Histogram of active good pixels: 05:29:49 - 05:47:53 (UT) Entries 227190 282.7 Histogram of IR pixels: 05:30:47 - 05:46:51 (UT) Jumber of pixels [%] Mean RMS 61.32 Entries 298373 4umber of pixels [%] 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1462 Mean RMS 51.19 $\lambda = 276$ ← Fitted by no clouds <= **Poisson distribution** in selected region 400 1000 1200 1400 1600 1800 Counts 100 200 300 400 500 600 700 800 Intensity [ph m⁻² sr⁻¹ ns⁻¹]

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UV BG with "some" clouds: 438 ph m⁻² sr⁻¹ ns ⁻¹

Region and time with "some" clouds



UV BG with clouds: 733 ph m⁻² sr⁻¹ ns ⁻¹

• Region and time with full cloud coverage



UV BG of ground surface



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A – region with lakes
B – region with young forest
C – region with forest and river







Overall UV histogram

Histogram filled with all PDM data corresponds to
measurements at conditions mentioned previously

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





Conclusions



- We have created UV and IR maps and investigated level of UV background at different conditions
- We have presented that clouds play much more important role in estimation of UV background than different type of ground surfaces
- We have estimated that it comes 2.6 times more UV light from clouds than from the ground without clouds (for balloon observation i.e. nadir observation from altitude ~38 km)
- We have shown that watter surface is too small to gain qualitative comparison between watter surface and ground surface even though the level of UV background for different ground surface is almost the same → 6% difference is negligible assuming total error 15-25%
- After correction of azimuth, the analysis will be more complex another cases will be investigated

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