



"Doing astronomy by looking downward"

"The JEM-EUSO mission"

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I. The JEM-EUSO mission

The Extreme Universe Space Observatory on-board the Japan Experiment Module (JEM) of the ISS





2001-2004

Heritage of the ESA EUSO study



JEM EUSO Collaboration

- Japan, USA, Korea, Mexico, Russia
- Europe: Bulgaria, France, Germany, Italy, Poland, Slovakia, Spain, Switzerland
- 77 Institutions, more than 250 researchers
- RIKEN: Leading institution



Main Scientific Objectives (1)

- Main Objective: Astronomy and Astrophysics through the particle channel
 - Identification of sources by high-statistics arrival direction analysis (+multi-wavelength!)
 - Measurement of the energy spectra of individual sources (spectral shape, flux, power)
 - Understand and constrain acceleration and emission mechanisms

Physics and Astrophysics at E>5. ×10¹⁹eV

Exploratory Scientific Objectives (2)

- Exploratory Objectives: new messengers
 - Discovery of UHE neutrinos by neutrino discrimination and identification via X₀ and X_{max}
 - Discovery of UHE Gammas by discrimination of X_{max} due to geomagnetic and LPM effect
- Exploratory Objectives: magnetic fields
 - Constrains on the galactic and local extragalactic fields



High discovery potential; tests of new physics models

Scientific Objectives 3

- Exploratory Objectives: Atmospheric science
 - Nightglow
- <u>⊨ ^{90 km} j</u>
- Transient luminous events



- Space-atmosphere interactions and climate change
- Exploratory Objectives: Meteors and meteoroids



A fast UV monitoring of the atmosphere

Take home messages:

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But also… Explore new physics in the energy range E≈1 10²¹eV

Highest statistics and therefore largest exposures at extreme energies

$$E \approx 10^{20-21} eV$$

Lower Energies are important for overlapping with current generation observatories with significant statistics... $E < 5 \times 10^{19} \text{ eV}$

Observational Technique: fluorescence from space







J. Linsley

(+e⁻)

▶ N₂*

Y. Takahashi

The observation of the UV fluorescence tracks is a well established technique

330–400 *nm*, UV

Kakimoto et al., 1996 A. Bunner, 1967; Nagano, 2009;



GTU time units



a) Fluorescence b) Scattered Cherenkov c) Direct (diffusively reflected Cherenkov) $1 GTU = 2.5 \mu sec$ **Back.** = $500 / (m^2 \text{ sr ns})$ FAST SIGNAL duration $\approx 50 - 150 \ \mu s$

Simulation of the light profile observed at the entrance pupil (above) and throught the instrument using the ESAF code

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Peculiarities from space

- Far and almost constant distance of the shower (no proximity effect)
- Shower is contained in the FOV: observation of the entire profile
- Possibility of observing in cloudy conditions (in most cases X_{max} above the cloud-top)
- Less contamination by Cherenkov
- Efficient gamma/hadron separation using different geographical areas
- Measurement of neutrino showers at high altitude
 with less LPM effect





... and uniform exposure

Japanese Experiment Module "Kibo" July 2009

きぼう, Hope





Mission aspects have been successfully studies by JAXA and RIKEN

Parameter	Value		
Launch date	JFY 2016		
Mission Lifetime	3+2 years		
Rocket	H2B		
Transport Vehicle	HTV		
Accommodation on JEM	EF#2		
Mass	1938 kg		
Power	926 W (op.) 352 W (non op.)		
Data rate	285 kbps (+ on board storage)		
Orbit	400 km		
Inclination of the Orbit	51.6°		
Operation Temperature	-10° to 50°		



Conceptual View of the JEM-EUSO Telescope



International Role Sharing



The UV Telescope Parameters

Parameter	Value		
Field of View	±30°		
Monitored Area	>1.3×10⁵km²		
Telescope aperture	≥2.5 m		
Operational wavelength	300-400 nm		
Resolution in angle	0.075°		
Focal Plane Area	4.5 m ²		
Pixel Size	<3 mm		
Number of Pixels	≈3×10⁵		
Pixel size on ground	≈560 m		
Time Resolution	2.5 µs		
Dead Time	<3%		
Detection Efficiency	≥20%		

+ Optics Throughput

BBM of the Optics (Protypes)



Tested performances meet already the requirements (or are close to it) *large diameter Fresnel lenses manufactured in Japan and tested in the US at the University of Alabama (Huntsville) and at MSFC (NASA)*



Full aperture tests, Xenon lamp at 40 m Source wavelength range: 300-400 nm, CCD Images of the focal spots - 9x7 mm²



Measured with the source on the optical axis.

Measured with the source at 10 degrees to the optical axis.



Detector and electronics

- MAPMT-64
- ASIC Spaciroc
- Electronic Cell Board
- 137 PDM 1st trigger and readout
- CCB 2nd trigger



From 9.6 GB/s to 3 GB/day on the entire FS

PDM Bread board model integrated at RIKEN

II. Performances

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But also ... lower energies are important for overlapping with ground-based detectors and make a statistically significant comparison!

 $E < 5 \times 10^{19} eV$

Key observation and instrument requirements

Observation area (Nadir)	$\geq 1.3 \times 10^{5} (H_{orbit}/400[km])^{2} km^{2}$
Arrival direction determination accuracy	$\leq 2.5^{\circ}$ (at <i>E</i> =10 ²⁰ [eV] and 60^{\circ} zenith angle)
Energy determination accuracy	\leq 30% (E=10 ²⁰ [eV] and 60° zenith angle)
X _{max} determination accuracy	\leq 120 [g/cm ²] (E=10 ²⁰ [eV] and 60° zenith angle)
Energy threshold	≤ 5.5 × 10 ¹⁹ [eV]
Duty cycle	≥ 17%
Lifetime	> 3 years (goal: > 5 years)

Which is the annual exposure?

- Of course it depends on the zenith angle and energy...
- It is determined by three factors: $TA \times \eta \times \kappa$

 $TA \rightarrow Trigger Aperture$ Determined by the trigger efficiency

 $\eta \rightarrow duty \ cycle$

Determined by the background (and operation)

 $\kappa \rightarrow cloud impact$ Determined by the cloud coverage

P.Bobik et al., 2011 Duty cycle estimation

defined as the fraction of time in which the nightglow background doesn't hamper EAS observation

- Based on the Universitetsky Tatiana satellite G. K. Garipov et al. 2005a, 2005b
- Scaling of the UV intensity from Tatiana's to the ISS orbit

The JEM-EUSO duty cycle has been estimated for a set of Solar Zenith angles assuming an UV background < 1500 photons/(m² ns sr)

P.Bobik et al., ID886

Solar zenith angle (deg.)	Duty cycle (%)	
108	22.2	
109	22.1	
110	21.9	
111	21.7	
112	21.5	
113	21.3	
114	21.0	
115	20.6	
116	20.3	
117	19.9	
118	19.5	
119	19.0	
120	18.4	

Duty cycle (2)

Note that: <u>Selecting bckg < 1500</u> <u>photons/(m² ns sr)</u> with its relative occurrence gives a trigger efficiency curve <u>equivalent</u> to an <u>average bckg of 500</u> <u>photons/(m² ns sr)</u>

We can also operate at higher background rates (higher energies)

Duty cycle: EUSO old estimate



C. Berat et al. 2003

F. Montanet et al. 2004

Independent estimate

All these results are in very good agreement with and actually better than *the conservative value* assumed by the JEM-EUSO consortium: 20%

Cloud Coverage

F. Garino et al., 2011

Cloud top

		<3 km	3-7 km	7-10 km	>10 km
hти	τ>2	17.2	5.2	6.4	6.1
an ne	τ ≈ 1-2	5.9	2.9	3.5	3.1
puco	$\tau \approx 0.1$ -1	6.4	2.4	3.7	6.8
	$\tau \approx 0.1$	29.2	<0.1	<0.1	1.2

Occurence of clouds (in %) between 50° N and 50° S on TOVS database. The matrix Optical depth vs. Cloud-top altitude is shown.

Confirmed by ISCCP, CACOLO & MERIS database



L. Saez et al., 2011, K. Shinozaki et al. 2011

Cloud-impact to trigger efficiency $E > 5 \cdot 10^{19} eV$ Cloud top

4		<3 km	3-7 km	7-10 km	>10 km
Optical Dept	τ>2	90%	65%	35%	20%
	$\tau \approx 1-2$	90%	70%	45%	25%
	$\tau \approx 0.1$ -1	90%	80%	75%	70%
	$\tau \approx 0.1$	90%	90%	90%	90%

Average efficiency^{*} = 82% above 50 EeV

*A spectral distribution dN/dE << E⁻³ is assumed



In more than 70% of the cases the UV track including Xmax is observable

*Different geometrical conditions for optically thick or optically thin clouds

Trigger Probability (Zenith angle vs. Energy)




Normalised Aperture: Efficiency



OVERALL NET IMPROVEMENT



Energy threshold of JEM-EUSO lowered by a factor ~1.8 compared Andrea Santangelo, Kepler Center-Tü

Instantaneous Aperture



K.Shinozaki et al., 2011



K.Shinozaki et al., 2011

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Angular Resolution



End to end simulations show that the requirement is met.

T.Mernik et al., 2011



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 $\Delta X_{max} < 70 gr/cm^2$ (Requirement $\Delta X_{max} < 120 gr/cm^2$) OK

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T.Mernik et al., 2011

Comparison with current observatories

Observatory	Aperture km ² sr	Status	Start	Lifetime	Duty cycle	Annual Exposure km² sr yr	Relative to Auger
Auger	7,000	Operations	2006	4 (16)	1	7000	1
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TUS	30,000	Developed	2012	5	0.14	4,200	0.6
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JEM-EUSO (highest energies) Tilted mode 35°	1,500,000	Design	2017	5	0.14	200,000	28

Near Term Programmatics

- Test and calibration of the Optics; integration of the PDM engineering model (Spring 2012);
- Summer 2012 integration of a prototype (optics + PDM EM) and ...
- in October December 2012

Tests of the prototype at the TA site

JEM-EUSO Balloon

- Look down from the balloon with an UV telescope (PDM EM + 3 lenses system)
- Engineering test
- Background test
- Airshower from 40 km altitude

2009 Proposal submitted to CNES 2011/6 Approved by CNES

→ 2013, January, first launch from Kiruna

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- The JEM-EUSO duty cycle and cloud impact have been thoroughly estimated to be $\eta \approx 20\%$ and $\kappa > 70\%$.
- JEM-EUSO is designed to have a annual exposure about 9xAuger at 10²⁰ eV in nadir mode and 28xAuger at the highest unexplored energies in tilt mode.
- To reach/approach 1ML integrated exposure it is *necessary to operate the mission also in tilted mode.*
- Simulations in nadir mode shows that the energy, angular and X_{max} resolution meet the requirements.
- JEM-EUSO will have enough exposure and reconstruction capability at 3x10¹⁹ eV to overlap with current generation observatory.
- JEM-EUSO is not EUSO! Optics and PMTs QE have been greatly improved and so have been the performances... Andrea Santangelo, Kepler Center-Tü

H_{max} & ZA dependence



F.Garino et al., ID398

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Beijing, August, 2011

International Cosmic Ray Conference 2011

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Current Status of the Mission

- Phase A study jointly conducted by JAXA and the JEM-EUSO consortium (Payload and Mission) is vigorously ongoing...
- JEM-EUSO has been included (in 2010) in the ELIPS program of ESA
- National contributions have been defined (and in many cases asked and in a few cases already approved!)
- US JEM-EUSO MO proposal (Explorer Call) is being reviewed by NASA (September 2011)

International Cosmic Ray Conference 2011



- We expect to discover several tens of clusters

- Can observe the whole sky

Atmospheric Monitoring System

•IR Camera

Imaging observation of cloud temperature inside FOV of JEM-EUSO

•<u>Lidar</u>

Ranging observation using UV laser

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-JEM-EUSO "slow-data"
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Continuous background photon counting



- Cloud amount, cloud top altitude:
- Airglow :
- Calibration of telescope :

(IR cam., Lidar, slow-data) (slow-data) (Lidar)

Calibration and Monitor by Onboard LIDAR, Ground LIDAR & Xe flasher





0

5

10

Precision optics cancels chromatic aberration



Spot size is 2.5 mm

20

25

30

15

Result of end-to-end simulation



Transfer to the ISS: H-IIB Transfer Vehicle (HTV)



Science Instrument: UV Telescope + Atmospheric Monitoring



Bittermann, 2010

The Zoo of neutrino models



Discrimination of Neutrinos vs Protons



Xmax

X1 initial point

Karlsruhe, June 28, 2011

Joint Seminar of Particle and Astroparticle Physics of Heidelberg, Tübingen and KIT

Neutrino shower simulation



Horizontally incident neutrinos Survival prob. to come in FOV Neutrino: ~exp(-0.001) Proton: ~exp(-1000) for 10²⁰ eV

CONEX code used for shower simulation in atmosphere



Profile of neutrino induced showers



- First peak resulted from hadronic part of shower
- Second and following peaks from electromagnetic part
 - LPM effect more significant at lower altitudes

Neutrino cross sections

Black Hole production



Feng & Shapere, 2002

EW instanton effects



Han & Hooper, 2004

p-brane production



Anchordoqui, Feng and Goldberg, 2002

Exchange of KK modes



Bittermann, 2010

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Constrains from Auger

Auger Collaboration, 2009

Top-down models *are strongly constrained by the absence of identified photon candidates* in the Auger data



Transient Luminous events



Figure 2.2.5-2. Various transient luminous events associated with lightning.

From the JEM-EUSO phase A report

Atmospheric Luminous Phenomena



OH airglow observed from ground



Lightning picture observed from ISS



Leonid meteor swarm in 2001 taken by Hivison camera



Various transient eventsdrea Santangelo, Kepler Center-Tü


JEM-EUSO DAQ – Data reduction block scheme

