

The Silicon Charge Detector for the CREAM Experiment



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- Cosmic rays
- The CREAM instrument
- Requirements in Silicon Charge Detector (SCD)
- Building of the SCD and CERN beam tests
- The first flight of CREAM and the performance of SCD



Cosmic Rays



- 1912 discovered by Victor Hess (after Wilson & others)
- 1938 Pierre Auger discovered
 Extensive Air Showers (EAS) (> 10¹⁵ eV)
- Energy range: ~ 10^9 eV to > 10^{20} eV

a compilation of direct and indirect cosmic ray observations integrated into a single spectrum

Direct Measurements of Cosmic Rays



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Grand-Unified Cosmic Ray Spectrum



Low energy cut off is due to solar magnetic fields.

The spectrum falls rapidly with energy, but it is a remarkably smooth curve over 12 decades of energy with a single power laws.

Knee and Ankle in Energy spectrum



What is the end of energy one can measure?



The Mystery of High Energy Cosmic Rays



- 1. How are cosmic rays accelerated to such very high energies?
- 2. Where do they come from?
- 3. What s the composition?
- No one knows ...
- 100 years old puzzle !

Supernova : Source up to the Knee energy ?



Supernova Remnant Shock Wave Model

Supernovae believed to be a source





• Enrico Fermi first

explained how cosmic rays are accelerated (1949)

- Stochastic collision with moving magnetic clouds produced from SNR
- Acceleration limit in SNR shock wave near the knee
 - 2 x 10¹⁴ x (Z)(eV)
 - Change in elemental composition

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Cosmic Ray Energetics And Mass An ULDB Cosmic Ray Astrophysics Mission



- ✓ Elemental composition near the knee
- ✓ Direct measurement of Energy & Charge of primary cosmic rays
 ✓ Optimized arrangement of several components
 - •TCD (Timing based Charge Detector)
 - Charge measurement
 - Plastic scintillator + PMT
 - TRD (Transition Radiation Detector)
 - Measure Lorentz factor for $Z \ge 3$ for low energy
 - SCD (Silicon Charge Detector)
 - Charge measurement
 - Pixellated silicon
 - HDS (Hodoscope)
 - Track Reconstruction, charge identif.
 - Plastic scintillator + PMT
 - CAL (Calorimeter)
 - \bullet Energy measurement for $Z \geq 1$
 - Scintillator-Tungsten with C targets
 - Energy measument
 - TRD, CAL
 - Charge measurement
 - TCD, SCD
 - Trigger
 - Z-low trigger : CAL + TCD
 - Z-Hi trigger : TCD + TRD-chrenkov





CREAM Baseline configuration

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Requirements in SCD

- Precision charge measurement

 Charge resolution dZ = 0.2
 Charge measurement up to Z=26 (Fe)
- Unambiguous backscatter rejection -Work in high backsplash from
 - Calorimeter/Target
- Volume < **2** × **79** × **79** cm³
- Number of channel < 3000
- Power budget < 50 W
- Weight < 12 kg
- Operate at low pressure (5 torr)
- Dead area free





Choice of "pixellated silicon" detector

Why do we use silicon?



Principle of Charge Measurement using Silicon

Energy loss of a charged particle in the matter by Bethe-Bloch formula

$$-\frac{dE}{dx} = 2\pi N_{\rm a} r_{\rm e}^2 m_{\rm e} c^2 \rho \frac{Z}{A} \frac{z^2}{\beta^2} \left[\ln \left(\frac{2m_{\rm e} \gamma^2 v^2 W_{\rm max}}{I^2} \right) - 2\beta^2 - \delta - 2\frac{C}{Z} \right]$$

density of absorbing material

charge of incident particle in

v/c of the incident particle

with $2\pi N_{\rm a} r_{\rm e}^2 m_{\rm e} c^2 = 0.1535 \,{\rm MeV cm^2/g}$

units of e

 $1/1 - \beta^2$

 ρ :

z:

 $\beta =$

 $\gamma =$

C:

- I: mean excitation potential
- Z: atomic number of absorbing material
- A: atomic weight of absorbing material

 W_{max} : maximum energy transfer in a single collision.

 For relativistic particle, energy deposit, dE/dx, doesn't depend strongly on Energy

$$-\frac{dE}{dx} \propto z^2.$$

 r_{e} : classical electron

 m_e : electron mass

 N_a : Avogadro's

 δ :

radius = 2.817×10^{-13} cm

number = $6.022 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$

density correction





Silicon Sensor Structure

- PIN diode
- DC type
- Wafer: (1,1,1) type, 380 um, 5", double polished, Wacker
- P+ implantation process, while N+ diffusion process
- Three guard rings





Silicon Sensor Fabrication

Fabricated by SENS Technology (www.senstechnology.co.kr)



SCD Sensor Performance

ILeakage and Capacitance Measurement



Find the full depletion voltage by measuring capacitance of sensor

- Leakage current about <u>3 nA</u> <u>per pixel</u> at full depletion voltage
- Yield ~ 90%



Analog Electronics (Frontend Readout)

Frontend readout chip : CR1.4





CR1.4 ASIC

- Custom VLSI (Very Large Scale Integrated circuit) chip
- Developed for large arrays of silicon detectors in the Pamela experiment
- 16 channels of charge inputs

(integrating the charge pulses -> DC levels)

- Multiplexed to common output line
- Dynamic range : a few fC to about 9 pC with 1 mV/fC Gain, 1200 MIP
- Power consumption : $\leq 6 \text{ mW/channel}, \leq 100 \text{ mW/chip}$ CR1.4
- Noise ~ 5000 e-





I analog board = 7 CR1.4 * 16 channels = 112 channels

SCD Readout Architecture



Digital Electronics



Digital Electronics



- Digitization : 16-bit ADC MAX1133
 - Temperature range : -40 ~ 85 °C
 - Low power consumption
- FPGA (Control distribution) : ACTEL A42MX
 - Temperature range : -40 ~ 80 °C
 - Low power consumption
- Power (DC to DC converter & Low Drop Out)
 - Q01-12
 - Temperature range : -25 ~ 70 °C
 - LM2990S
 - LX8384, LM1086

Auxiliary electronics



- Calibration board :
 - calibration charge and trigger
- Housekeeping board :
 - Power, temperature monitoring
- Command board :
 - Control command distribution
- Sparsification board :
 - Analog, digital part control clock
 - Data I/O between computer and detector
 - Data sparsificatoin

Silicon Charge Detector : Readout electronics





Ladder Assembly

Mount of 7 Sensors on to an electronics board : "detachable design"



A ladder assembled





Total 26 ladders in SCD

Total 182 silicon sensors

Total 2912 readout channels

SCD Assembly : Ladders on Grand Structure



SCD Beam Test

Heavy Ion CERN Beam



• Charge distribution of beam fragments detected in SCD



- $dE/dx \propto Z^2$
- Linearity in detector gain confirmed over the wide range of Q



Silicon Charge Detector for Space Environment

SCD fully assembled for space environment in Aug. 2004



• Preparation for space environment

 The SCD should be kept within the operating temperature range from balloon environment. On the top of atmosphere, conduction of heat is more prior than convection. To reduce the heat from SCD, used copper strips. Also painted whole detector with black paint to make thermal equilibrium on visual light and infrared range.

Thermal Control

Maintain SCD temperature -10 ~ 40 ('C) during operation



Thermal Strap installed to take heat out,

(air cooling does not work at 5 Torr)



Leakage Current increase at higher temp.



Thermal simulation : SCD is hotter than others



Thermal-Vacuum test at NASA Goddard Space Flight Center

All integated for Thermal-Vacuum test at NASA Gaddard space center



- Environment test at NASA GSFC
 - Test with fully assembled CREAM
 - Temperature : -10°C~40°C
 - Pressure : ~4 Torr
- Hang test at NASA WFF





Final Test at NASA Wallops Flight Facility

TDRSS High Gain Antenna (HGA)



CREAM ballooncraft configuration





External Hang
 Test

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CREAM Launch

Launch on Dec. 15^{th} , 2004



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CREAM Flight Operation



The first flight at Antarctica Dec. 2004

Flight trajectory

Total flight time : 41 days 21 hours 31 mins

CREAM broke both duration and distance records for a long duration balloon flight





Landing on Jan. 27th, 2005



Termination and Recovery of CREAM



Impact Location: 417 Nautical Miles (27,660km) north northwest of McMurdo Station Impact Date: 27 January 2005



Instruments came back to UMD in good shape. (2005/04/01)



SCD Performance during the Flight



CREAM Altitude

Temperature of **Frontend Readout Boards**

Pedestal Mean Value

Number of Noisy **Channels** ~ 3% in average (out of 2912 ch.)

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Electronics Gain Calibration

Electronics calibration was made periodically during the flight by injecting a fixed amount of charge



CREAM Event Display

CREAM Monitoring program (CMon)



CREAM Data Processing System (CDPS)



An example event : ~ 10 TeV
 Fe candidate

Correlation Between SCD and Cherenkov Counter

Correlation between SCD signals found in the area near the TRD track intersection and signal of Cherenkov Veto Counter.



Charge Spectrum (High-Z Region)

SCD Charge spectrum by the projection of high energy signal. The relative abundance was not corrected here.



High Energy Cosmic Ray Charge Spectrum

Events triggered by Calorimeter High Energy Threshold The relative abundance was not corrected here.



• The aim of the CREAM(Cosmic Ray Energetics And Mass) experiment is to understand the source and acceleration mechanisms of very high energy cosmic-ray particles.

Summary

- The Silicon Charge Detector (SCD) was built for charge identification of incident cosmic rays.
- CERN Beam tests showed charge resolution better than 0.2 charge unit, as designed
- The CREAM payload was launched successfully in December 2004 from McMurdo Station, Antarctica as a Long Duration Balloon mission.
- SCD operated well on the first flight of 2004-2005 and measured the charge of cosmic rays without any problems
- SCD-II is being ready for 2005-2006 flight

CREAM-II for Dec. 2005 Flight



