





Preliminary results from gamma-ray observations with the CALorimeteric Electron Telescope (CALET)

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What's CALET



- highest energy region accessible from space
 - long duration observation onboard the international space station (ISS)
 - instrument featuring the thick calorimeter of 30 radiation length
 - specialized to electron measurements
 - continuous observation since October 2015
- Direct and indirect measurements of cosmic rays are complementary to each other.

CALET System Overview





CALET-CAL Detector



Fully active thick calorimeter (30X₀) optimized for electron spectrum measurements well into TeV region



fully contained in TASC

CALET-CAL Flight Model



14 × 1 layer (x,y) = 28 32mm x 10mm x 450mm Plastic Scintillator



448 x 8 layers (x,y) = 7168 1mm² x 448 mm Scintillating Fiber + 64anode PMT



CHD

16 x 6 layers (x,y)= 192 19mm x 20mm x 326mm

> Scintillator(PWO) + APD/PD or PMT (X1)



CHD TASC

Completed Component with Front End Circuit CHD/IMC



TASC



CALET-CAL Shower Imaging Capability (MC)



- Proton rejection power of 10⁵ can be achieved by taking advantage of shower imaging capability of IMC and TASC
- Angular resolution of ~0.2° for 10GeV gamma rays

Intrinsic Advantage of CALET Instrument

EM Shower Energy Measurement = TASC Energy Sum × "small" Correction

- Active and thick calorimeter absorbs most of the electromagnetic energy (~95%) up to the TeV region
- In principle, energy measurement with very small systematic error is possible.
- We can use penetrating particles to do absolute calibration of the instrument (so called "MIP" calibration).
 - NO worries about quantum efficiency or collection efficiency



Resultant Energy Resolution



- All the calibration including position/temperature dependence, dynamic range calibration are applied and accuracy of each calibration is estimated.
- Considering the calibration errors and instrument noise, energy resolution is estimated as a function of energy
- Space based direct detection with CALET
 - event-by-event particle identification
 - excellent energy resolution
 - limited effective area
- Ground based indirect detection method
 - very large effective area
 - decent energy resolution



CALET Scientific Objectives

While CALET is optimized for observation of TeV electrons, the instrument is sensitive to gamma-rays, protons and nuclei.

Science Objectives	Observation Targets
Nearby Cosmic-ray Sources	Electron spectrum in trans-TeV region
Dark Matter	Signatures in electron/gamma energy spectra
Origin and Acceleration of Cosmic Rays	p-Fe over several tens of GeV, Ultra-heavy ions
Cosmic-ray Propagation in the Galaxy	B/C ratio up to several TeV/nucleon, Diffuse gamma-ray observation up to TeV
Solar Physics	Electron flux below 10 GeV
Gamma-ray Transients	X-rays/Gamma-rays in 7 keV—20MeV in CGBM and GeV gamma-rays in CAL

Objectives of CALET Gamma-Ray Observation

- Diffuse Component => High energy region
 - Galactic
 - Extragalactic
- Point Source
 - Calibration of pointing accuracy
 - Confirmation of angular resolution
 - Cross check of energy measurements/efficiency
- Transient Object
 - GRB
 - Gravitational wave
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Statistics is the KEY

GW Counterpart Search with CALET

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GW 151226 [B. P. Abbott *et al.,* PRL 116 (2016) 241103]

- GW trigger Time: 2015/12/26 3:38:53.647 UT
 - gravitational-wave signal produced by the coalescence of two stellar-mass black holes at a luminosity distance of ~440Mpc.

CALET Observation

- CGBM HV-on (3:20 3:40 UT)
 - No on-board trigger
- CAL: low-energy gamma-ray mode (> 1GeV) 3:30-3:43UT



Overview of CALET Trigger System

High Energy Shower Trigger (HE)

- High energy electrons (10GeV \sim 20TeV)
- High energy gamma rays (10GeV \sim 10TeV)
- Nuclei (a few10GeV~1000TeV)

Low Energy Shower Trigger (LE)

- Low energy electron at high latitude (1GeV \sim 10GeV)
- GeV gamma-rays originated from GRB (1GeV \sim)
- Ultra heavy nuclei (combined with heavy mode)

Single Trigger (Single)

- For detector calibration : penetrating particles (mainly non-interacting protons and heliums)
- (*) In addition to above 3 trigger modes, heavy modes are defined for each of the above trigger mode. They are omitted here for simple explanation.

Auto Trigger (Pedestal/Test Pulse)



- For calibration:
- ADC offset measurement (Pedestal)
- FEC's response measurement (Test pulse)

ISS Orbit and CALET Operations



Dependence of the count rate on geomagnetic latitude



CAL Limit Calculation Procedure



Gamma Ray Event Selection

= Electron Selection Cut + Gamma-ray ID Cut w/ Lower Energy Extension



well contained, constant shower development

larger spread

Gamma Ray Event Selection

= Electron Selection Cut + Gamma-ray ID Cut w/ Lower Energy Extension



- 1. Geometry Condition - CHD-Top to TASC Bottom (415cm²)
- 2. Pre selection
 - Offline trigger
 - Shower concentration
 - Shower starting point
- 3. Track quality cut
 - Track hits >2
 - matching w/ TASC
- 4. Electromagnetic shower selection- shower shape
- 5. Gamma-ray ID - CHD-veto

For quick result, not fully optimized, yet.

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Effective Area and Sensitivity



Effective area is estimated as a function of incident angle (dx/dz, dy/dz) and energy. Maximum effective area is achieved at around 10 GeV, but lower energy is more important for steep spectrum like E⁻².



Effective area as a function of energy. Three representing zenith angle ranges are shown

Maximum sensitivity of $4x10^{-5}$ erg/cm² per Δ (ln E) was achieved at around 1 GeV for E⁻² spectrum

Diffuse Gamma-Ray Observation

• Purpose:

Data set:

Sensitivity validation & BG estimation from 151013 to 160531 (232 days) Low Energy Gamma-Ray Trigger

• Observation Mode:



Black Point: Gamma-ray event candidates Color Map: Exposure in 10-12.6GeV in cm²sec

Right Ascension

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- Observation Mode:

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Low Energy Gamma-Ray Trigger



Black Point: Gamma-ray event candidates

Galactic Longitude exposure is limited in low latitude region, it covers a half of galactic plane including Geminga+Crab region

Galactic Latitude

+180°

Diffuse Gamma-Ray Observation

• Purpose:

Data set:

Sensitivity validation & BG estimation from 151013 to 160531 (232 days)

• Observation Mode:





Filtered with point spread functions to see point sources

Geminga and Crab are clearly identified.

Galactic Longitude

Projection to Galactic Latitude (|||<80deg)

And comparison with diffuse radiation model

Galactic Emission [LE-N_{fit} \ge 3] tryID:6 151013--160531 (|I)<80deg)



Considering the contribution from point sources, it will be consistent with expectation.

Projection to Galactic Latitude (|||<80deg)

And comparison with Fermi-LAT's observation

Galactic Emission [LE-N_{fit} \ge 3] tryID:6 151013--160531 (|I)<80deg)



Considering the contribution from point sources, it was actually consistent with expectation. Therefore, it was found that current selection criteria has a validated sensitivity and can be used to set limit on GW counterpart flux.

Integrated Exposure for GW151226 counterpart search

Assuming E⁻² spectrum, exposure was integrated over 1 to 100GeV.



R.A [deg]

90% CL Upper limit for GW151226 counterpart search

NO event remained after applying all the selection criteria.



R.A [deg]

Background contamination is negligible: ~0.035 event

90% CL Upper limit for GW151226 counterpart search





CALET observation constrains at least some portion of LIGO probability.

Summary & Conclusion

- As a result of GW151226 counterpart search in GeV gamma-rays, CALET-CAL observation constrains 15% of LIGO localization map by 90% upper limit flux of 2x10⁻⁷ erg cm⁻²sec⁻¹.
- 2. Its sensitivity was validated with diffuse gamma-ray observation.
- 3. Due to closeness of GW candidates, FOV coverage is more important than deepness of counterpart search assuming typical short GRBs as candidates.

CGBM Upper Limits:

1.0x10⁻⁶ erg cm⁻² s⁻¹ (7-500keV) @ 33% 1.8x10⁻⁶ erg cm⁻² s⁻¹ (50-1000keV) @ 49% 1.8x10⁻⁶ erg cm⁻² s⁻¹ (50-1000keV) @ 49% 1.8x10⁻⁶ erg cm⁻² s⁻¹ (50-1000keV) @ 49% Assuming the distance of 440 Mpc, the upper limit in luminosity is 3-5 x 10⁴⁹ erg s⁻¹ (typical mean luminosity of s-GRB is 1.6 x 10⁵¹ erg s⁻¹).

Prospects

- Continues observation of transient objects
 - Analysis flow is established through the analysis of GW151226 counterpart.
 - We're ready for LIGO/Virgo O2 and KAGRA's alert.
- Detailed analysis of point source and diffuse components
 - optimizing analysis for each target
 - accumulating more and more statistics



Galactic Longitude

Exposure =