



Hitomi-related Geant4 activities

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Outline



Geant4-related Hitomi scientific activities are introduced.

"Scientific"?—Detector response, background or astrophysical simulations ©

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- 2. Detector science—responses and backgrounds
 - Background simulation of SXS
 - HXI background simulation, including activation
 - GRB localization by SGD
 - Polarimetry performance of Si/CdTe Compton camera
 - X-ray polarization detection from Crab nebula by SGD
- 3. Astrophysical application
 - Resonance scatter in Perseus cluster core

Hitomi introduction



- 6th Japanese X-ray astronomy satellite (a.k.a., ASTRO-H)
- 1.7t mass, 14m length
- LEO of 550 km altitude, ~30 deg inclination angle
- Launched on 2016-02-17
- Lost due to attitude control accident on 2016-03-26
- All the detectors worked as expected



Hitomi Detectors



Four kinds of detectors:

SXS: X-ray micro calorimeter, with <u>a few</u> hundred kg aluminum alloy

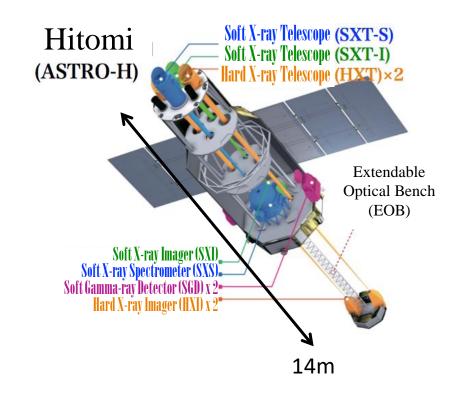
HXI: Si-strip and CdTe-pixel cameras for > 10 keV band, <u>also sensitive for activation and atmospheric neutron backgrounds</u>

SGD: Compton kinematics telescopes with BGO active shields for a few hundred keV band

SXI: X-ray CCD camera with thick Al shield for < 10 keV band (← not presented this time)

Different photon detection mechanism, complicated structure and sensitivity for background radiation

-> MC simulation is essential



Detector science—responses and backgrounds Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency

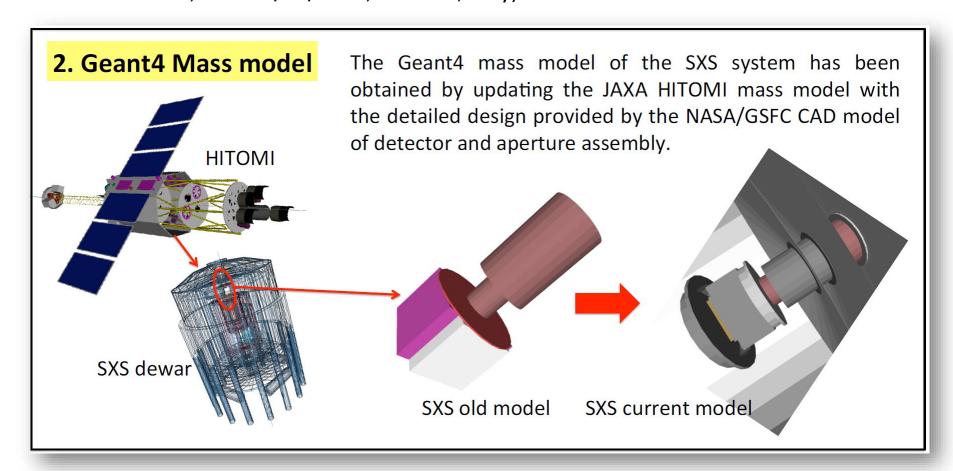
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Background simulation of SXS



Fioretti+ (2018) simulated the BGDs using Geant4

(from the poster at "Exploring the Hot and Energe2c Universe: 2° ATHENA Science Conference", 24 – 27/09/2018, Palermo, Italy)



Background simulation of SXS (cont'd)



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5. Non X-ray Background: Simulation vs in-flight data anti-co rate (>30 keV) Anti-co: anti-co simulation = 83% data real rate = 0.64 cts s⁻¹ simulated rate = 0.531 ± 0.002 cts s⁻¹ the MIP peak at ≈200 keV is reproduced with high accuracy; • missing low energy (<100 keV) events: we found no influence of SAA low energy electrons - not simulated - on the real NXB Primary background source GCR protons and albedo positrons contribution to the total anti-co contribute to 65% of the anti-con rate SXS background rate - 10.4 SPACE - COR > 12 GV - T = 100.0 ks SXS [0.3 – 12 keV]: $COR > 12 \text{ real SXS } (0.0367 \text{ cts cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1})$ SXS NXB (0.3 - 12 keV) real NXB = 0.037 cts cm⁻² s⁻¹ = 12.6 simulated SXS $(0.0303+/-0.0011 \text{ cts cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1})$ Au LB1 simulated NXB = 0.030 ± 0.001 cts cm⁻² s⁻¹ albedo v-rav ΑΙ Κα Cu Κα Au La1 (calibration. not simulated) X-ray fluorescence lines are reproduced by the Geant4 simulation (not including the MnKα calibration source) • the errors on the real NXB spectrum are of the order of the simulated ones SXS simulation = 83% data albedo particles and photons contribute to 60% of the residual NXB Primary background sources Energy [keV] contribution to the total NXB.

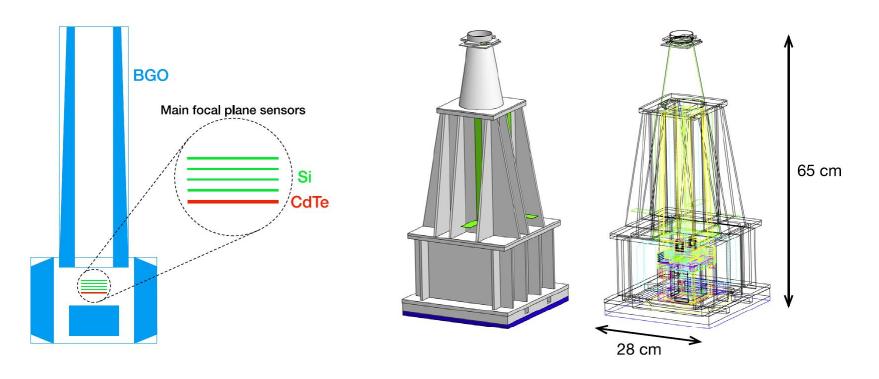
HXI background simulation



• Focusing imager of hard X-rays covering 5–80 keV

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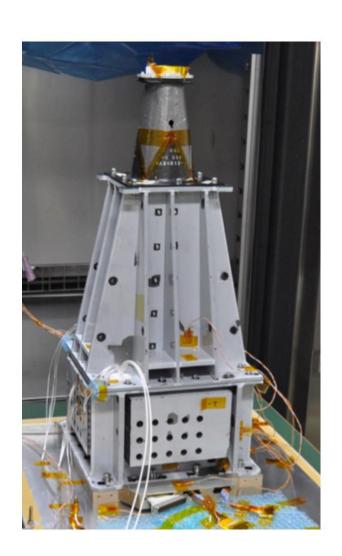
- The focal plane detector consisted of stacked double-sided strip detectors of Si and CdTe.
- High sensitivity thanks to thorough background rejection design using anticoincidence and focusing with the Hard X-ray optics.



HXI background simulation (cont'd)



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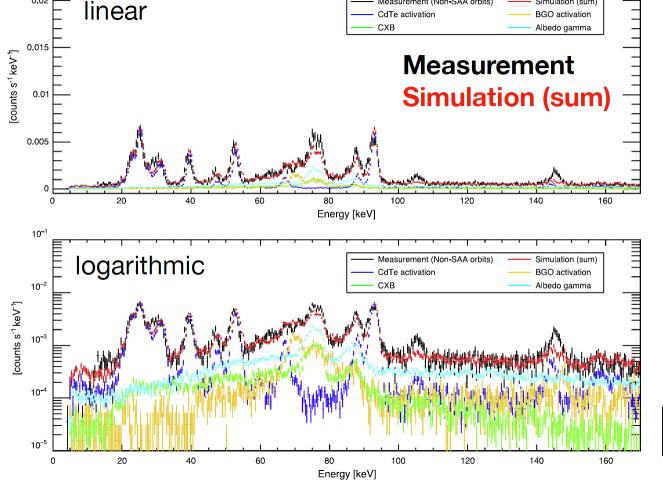
HXI background simulation (cont'd)



CdTe activation + BGO activation + CXB + albedo gamma rays

Measurement (Non-SAA orbits)

Simulation (sum)



Non-SAA orbits

reproduced important lines

agreed well with the data including the continuum

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HXI background simulation (cont'd)



The Geant4 BGD simulation results:

H.Odaka+ (2018) doi: 10.1016/j.nima.2018.02.071

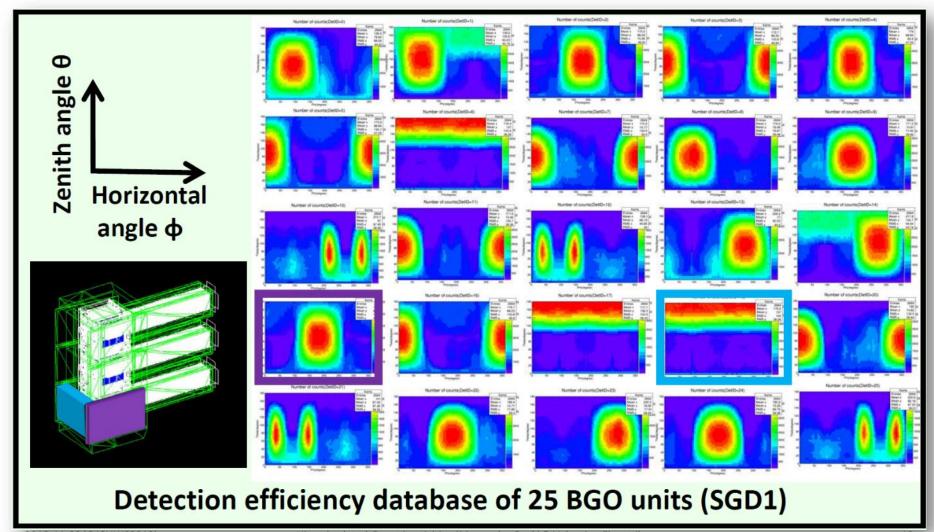
- CdTe sensor:
 - radioactivation of the CdTe itself and the surrounding BGO active shields
 - leakage of photons (CXB and Earth's albedo gamma rays) through openings of the detector shields
- Si sensors:
 - insignificantly suffer from the activation
 - significant impacts from atmospheric neutrons

GRB localization by SGD



G4-based efficiency database of active shields:

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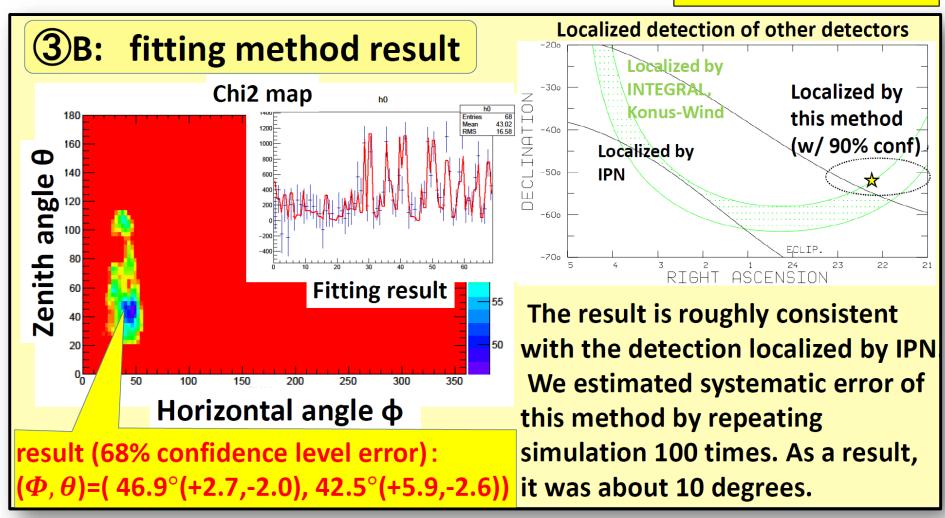


GRB localization by SGD (cont'd)



Succeeded in position localization, by Hitomi alone.

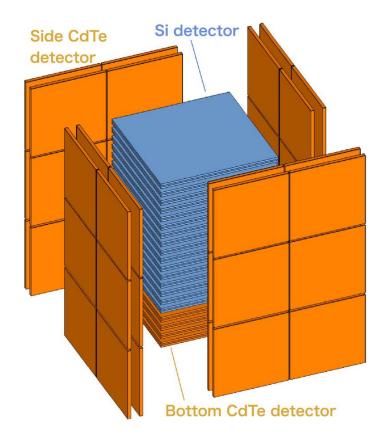
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Polarimetry performance of Si/CdTe Compton camera

SGD can detect the gamma-ray polarization:

- Detection efficiency was modeled by Geant4 simulation.
- G4 model was tuned by beam-line calibration.
- Details are found in Katsuta+2016 (doi: 10.1016/j.nima.2016.09.057).



X-ray polarization detection from Crab nebula by SGD Appan Aerospace Exploration Agency

Using the polarization response, <u>Watanabe+ 2018 (doi: 10.1093/pasj/psy118)</u> succeeded in detecting the X-ray polarization from Crab nebula.

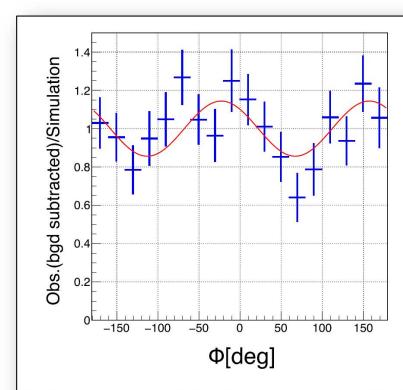


Fig. 17. Modulation curve of the Crab nebula observed with SGD. The data points show the ratio of the background-subtracted observation data to the unpolarized simulation data. The error bar size indicates their statistical errors. The red curve shows the sine curve function substituting the estimated parameters by the log-likelihood fitting.

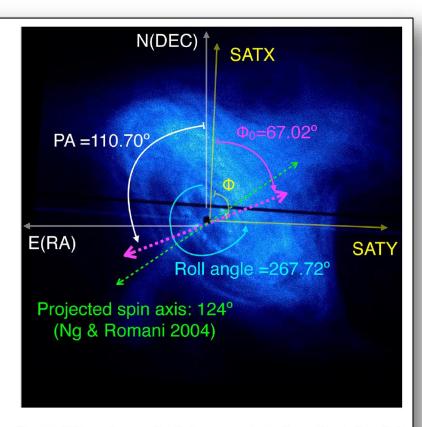


Fig. 18. Polarization angle of the gamma-rays from the Crab nebula determined by SGD. The direction of the polarization angle is drawn on the X-ray image of Crab with Chandra.

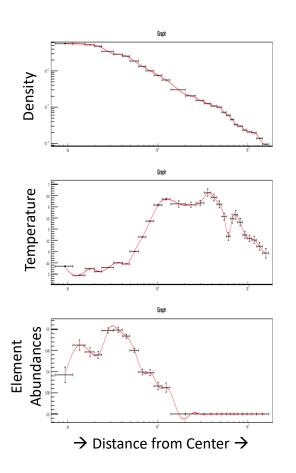
Astrophysical Simulation

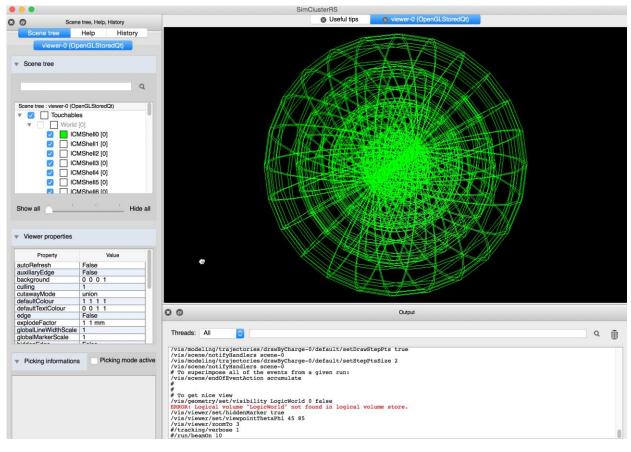


• X-ray spectrum from Perseus cluster was computed based on Geant4 simulation and used for Hitomi data analysis (<u>Hitomi collaboration 2018</u>,

doi: 10.1093/pasj/psx127).

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Conclusion



Hitomi worked only one month, but the team is still generating outputs, with helps by Geant4.

Thank you very much for listening!