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Combined Investigations of Solar Bursts Type III and V

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ABSTRACT

This review intended to update the results of combination two burst, type III and V in one solar flare event. Magnetic reconnection of both burst will be explained theoretically. Both bursts are found on 19th September 2011 associated with C-class flares on active region 1295. We concentrate on the mechanism of evolution the bursts which play a role in the event. It is found that type V burst appeared with five second after type III. There are a few sunspot regions on the solar disk but most are magnetically simple and have remained rather quiet. An interpretation of this new result depends critically on the number of sunspot and the role of active region 1295. Sunspot number is increases up to 144 with seven sunspots can be observed. During that event, the speed of solar wind exceeds 433.8 km/second with 2.0 g/cm3 density of proton in solar corona. Currently, radio flux is also high up to 150 sfu. Solar flare type C6 is continuously been observed in x-ray region for 24 hours since 1541 UT and a maximum C1 is detected on 1847 UT. Although the sources of both bursts are same, the direction and ejection explode differently. It is believed that the ejection of particles in type III burst is more compare type V. In summary, the behavior of type III should be critically understood in order to predict the formation of type V burst.

Key words: Solar radio burst, solar flare, type III, type V, CALLISTO
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INTRODUCTION

Solar radio bursts are produced by energetic electrons that accelerated to keV energies. It has been observed since the earliest days of astronomical radio observations. Radio signatures generally guide us to the corona, since the opacity (and the minimum height of formation of the emission) increases in height almost monotonically with wavelength (S.M. White, 2010). There are five main types of burst and usually associated with flares and coronal mass ejections (CMEs) which occur over wide frequency range. This main types situated in the spectrum between the metric range ($\leq$ 300 MHz), and the centimetric (or microwave) synchrotron emissions at frequencies ($\geq$ 3000 MHz). Meanwhile, previous studies have shown the combination of more than one type in one event. Statistically studies on detection of type III and V during solar flare proved that are generated from the same coronal structure from the same active region. Sometimes type III will continue by type V but usually there are not. Although it is well known that type III and V can be joining together due to solar flare event, to what extend type III will form type V is still be a main question that to be answer. Previous observations showed unique results instead of range of frequency, the type of solar flare, sunspot number during that particular event and the active region that responsible eject this phenomenon.

We begin this article with a general overview of type III burst and V burst with the main factors of both bursts. There are five classifications of radio noise bursts but only two are associated with a flash phase solar flare: Type III and V (Kraus, 1986). Significant effort has been invested into the explanation of an apparently miniscule effect in radio emission from some objects, in particular from the Sun during type III radio bursts. It is commonly believed that type III radio bursts originate from active regions. Accordingly, the type III burst occurrence rate can be used as an additional index of solar activity (Robinson, 2011). It characterized by short duration, large bandwidth and rapid fast drift. In principle, the investigation through solar burst type III provide us the information about the structure and properties of active region streamers, which are the most prominent structure in solar corona corresponding to the plasma level for frequency of observation.

Observations of low frequency solar type III radio bursts has long been of interest as it associated from the ejection of plasma oscillations localized disturbance due to excited in the plasma frequency incoherent radiations such as gyro synchrotron and free–free emissions. In this case, radio wavelengths play a dominant role at meter and decimeter wavelengths. Determination of solar burst this type could be interpreted as a very fast outward movement of disturbance through solar corona with could exceed from $3\,x\,10^4$ to $3\,x\,10^5$ km/sec based on solar flare phenomenon.

Interestingly, this velocity represents one-third velocity of light. Previous study also shown that this type of burst extend out to 1 AU with more than 20 keV electrons. On the other hand, solar flare impulsive emissions which generally generated by longitudinal electron streams, as it propagate along magnetic field lines from solar corona to interplanetary medium is always correlated with this type. Free magnetic energy that can be converted into other forms of energy requires the presence of an electric current and an associated electric field before the flare-like process as shown in Figure 1a. Let us consider a type V burst. This type is a broad-band continuum radiation following a type III burst, as a diffuse prolongation (usually below 150 MHz).

The phenomenological continuum-like of type V bursts is misleading; physically it rather belongs to the class of drift bursts. It is believed that at least 2 MeV were required to account for the observed intensity (Stewart, 1965). It is assumed, that this is emission of a part of the electrons, producing the type III burst, trapped in a magnetic loop. They occurred 10 percent of type III bursts and observed near radio limb. This type is due to synchrotron radiation from the same electron stream responsible for the type III plasma radiation. The pulses superimposed onto the broadband solar bursts emission might be interpreted as a response to physical processes at the origin of the Solar flares. Probably the best explanation for the long duration of type V burst is that pitch-angle scattering removes electrons from the type III stream and slows down their propagation. Unfortunately, there are many factors of various radio emission are still largely unknown after more than 60 years. It is suggested that type V burst is much more likely to be synchrotron radiation from relativistic electron spiraling in the local magnetic field (see Fig 1b). There is no evidence structured has been noted. However, in centimeter bursts an impulsive continuum radiation at centimeter wavelengths that lasts for just a few minutes above the tops of coronal loops potentially attributed to gyro synchrotron emission of high-speed electrons accelerated to energies of 100 to 1000 keV.

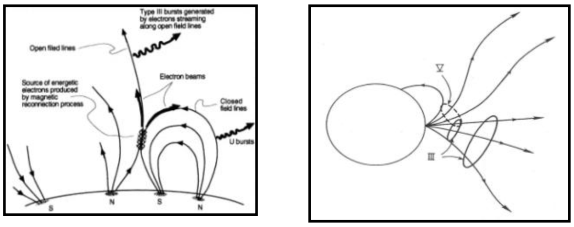

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Fig. 1 The formation of type III burst on an open magnetic field lines (a) Schematic illustration of field lines diverging rapidly as they produced from an active region (b)

The present work is aimed at studying solar burst type III by looking at several parameters that might indicates a formation of type V burst. The data used in the study are described in Section 2. Our results and discussion is outlined in Section 3 and the conclusion is summarized in the last section.

SYSTEM CONFIGURATION AND OBSERVATIONS

We use archived solar radio spectra provided by e-Callisto network which provide a solar burst data at low frequency region form different sites all over the world. The CALLISTO (Compound Astronomical Low-cost Low-frequency Instrument for Spectroscopy and Transportable Observatory) spectrograph is a new concept for solar radio spectrographs, designed by ETH Zurich (Benz, 2005). The objective is to monitor solar activities within 24 hours monitoring by considering the magnetic field of the Sun. This system can be used to study solar radio bursts and the response of the Earth's ionosphere and geomagnetic field (Zucca P., 2012).

Malaysia also started join this research since February 2012 and routinely monitor 12 hours per day at National Space Centre, Selangor. The spectrometer has 300 kHz bandwidth during a typical frequency sweep of 250 ms, and can be tuned by the control software in steps of 62.5 kHz to obtain a more detailed spectrum of the radio environment. In order to compare with X-ray region, the archive of the NOAA National Geophysical Data Center is used as a primary source of radio data.

Parameter	Specification
Radiometric bandwidth	300 kHz
Dynamic range	~ 50dB at -70 to -30 dBm
Sensitivity	25 ± 1 mV/dB
Noise figure	< 10dB
Maximum sample rate	Internal clock 800 S/s, external clock, 1000 S/s
Weight	~800 g
Dimension	110 mm x 80 mm x 205 mm

Table 1 Specifications of CALLISTO spectrometer

RESULTS AND ANALYSIS

We have carried out a case study on formation solar burst type V after explosion burst type III. Results suggest that the energy released from accelerated particles from solar flare type M. The interpretation of this new result depends critically on the number of sunspot and the role of active region 1295. It is necessary to take into account that the bursts observed in the absence of active regions do not necessarily originate from quiet-Sun regions. As a result, there are a few sunspot regions on the solar disk but most are magnetically simple and have remained rather quiet. One of the characteristic parameters of solar flares is its duration. It is found that during that day the sunspot number is increases up to 144 with seven sunspots can be observed during that period. The speed of solar wind exceeds 433.8 km/second with 2.0 g/cm3 density of proton in solar corona. Currently, radio flux is also high with 150 sfu. Solar flare type C6 is continuously been observed in x-ray region for 24 hours since 1541 UT and a maximum C1 is detected on 1847 UT.

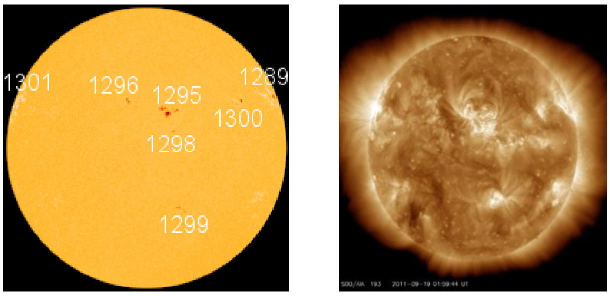

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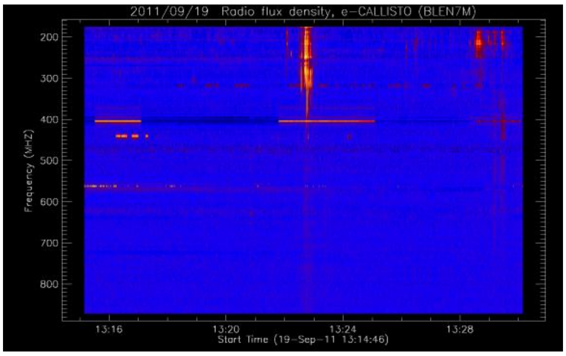
Fig. 2 Active region (1295) in visible wavelength and the image of the Sun in X-ray region from Space Weather website

We found that there are seven active regions or sunspot during that day. However, there are no large coronal holes on the Earth-facing side of the Sun. In this case active region 1295 is responsible eject the solar flare which also correspond to both solar bursts. As the probability of solar emissions are high only when a large sunspot group is present, our data collection dates were thus very subjective to the sun's present activity and are carried out based on forecasts made by a Space Weather monitoring agency.



The data is taken from Blein, Switzerland using CALLISTO spectrometer. The flare originated from sunspot group 1295 and was again identified to be a type III solar burst. The particular frequencies range shown here are correspond to the detection solar burst type III at 13.23 UT from 393 MHz to 170 MHz. Later we found solar burst type V five (5) second after type III burst. In the case of type V, the emission drifts from 230 to 180 MHz in frequency. Our analysis also showed that an intensity of the bursts is 53 sfu and 51 sfu respectively. There is also dominant radio frequencies interference at 330 MHz caused by radio navigation. It should be note that as the degree of X-ray radiation produced by a solar flare increased, the greater was the intensity of radio interference from the Sun. It was identified by GOES as an M class flare with a record X-ray flux density of at least 2.8x10-4Wm-2. However, it does not affect too much on the data. A crucial unsolved problem is the possible relationship between intensity of the solar burst with fine temporal structure and the associated background continuum.

CONCLUSION

In general, by investigating the types of solar radio burst, this will provide a better understanding of the space weather. Although the sources of both bursts are same, the direction and ejection explode differently. It is believed that the particles in type III burst is more compare type V. In summary, the behavior of type III should be critically understood in order to predict the formation of type V burst.

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