Status and Plans for the Sun-Lunar Photometer

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This picture has been taken by! Isabelle Jouvie, IPEV CNRS, at the Amsterdam Island AERONET site, (Indian Ocean), May 2016.

Current Status

- Cimel CE318-T Photometer deployed and functional at Armazones
 - · Data retrieved by Dusan Mandat
 - \cdot No data analysis yet
- IoP CAS seeks funding for a second one to be installed at La Palma
 - Negligible chance in 2016
 - · ~30% chance in 2017
 - · ~50%+ in 2018+
 - some other institute may have resources? our proposal can be withdrawn at anytime
- New PhD student in Prague to focus on data analysis Jakub Jurysek
 - \cdot Starts in July

Photometers

- Measure optical depth (integral value)
- Passive
- Formerly only a day cycle
- Data analysis mainly via AErosol RObotic NETwork (AERONET), a global monitoring network
 - Three levels of data quality:
 - · Level 1.0 (unscreened)
 - · Level 1.5 (cloud-screened)
 - · Level 2.0 (cloud-screened and quality-assured)

Cimel CE318-T

- New generation of Lunar Photometer(s)
- Able to perform Sun / Sky / Lunar measurements
- Measures triplets to asses stability of conditions
- Needs > 50% of Moon illumination
- Built-in control unit data acquisition + storage, communication
- Built-in battery, solar panel
- GPS synchronization
- Robust



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- Communications:
 - Automatic real-time transfer through RS-232 to a local PC with PhotoGetData software
 - via the Data Collection System though meteorological satellites (optional)
 - Manual collection through USB
 - Real-time transfer by GPRS
- Data processing:
 - Obtains: Aerosol Optical Depth (AOD), Angstrom coefficient, precipitable water vapor
 - Via the AErosol RObotic NETwork (AERONET)
 - Calibration may be possible at no cost using the ACTRIS infrastructure (http://actris2.nilu.no)
 - Through the provided DIAAMS software (??)

Specification	value
Irradiance precision	< 0.1%
Field of view	1.3°
Minimal scaterring angle from the sun	2°
Spectral range	340 to 1640 nm
Optical filter drift	< 1% / year
Automated mount	Azimuth and zenith motors
Sky angular scanning	Whole sky : Azimuth: 0 – 360° Zenith: 0 – 180°
Mechanical precision spot	0.003°
Solar tracking precision	0.01°
Power consumption	< 2W
Interferential filter bandwidth	< 30 nm
Total weight without support	25 kg
Power supply	Autonomous through solar panel
Mode	Sun, Sky, Lunar
memory	32 GB on SD card
Solar and moon scanning	4 quadrant sensor
Temperature	-30 to 70° C
humidity	0 to 100 %
RS232 (up to 100 m cable)	9600 baud/s
Numeric count dynamic	0 to 2 097 152

Filters : 340-380-440-500-675-870-936-1020-1640 nm.

Calibration transference from a master to secondary instrument:

Reference (master) instruments daytime uncertainty ~ 0.005 secondary inst. ~ 0.015

Secondary inst. night-time uncertainty ~ 0.021



Precision Filter Radiometer Precision Spectro-radiometer



Izaña site, June 2014, Saharan Air Layer intrusion



Izaña site, March 2014, "Pristine" conditions



Comparison with a stellar photometer



- Cross-calibration still needed
- Synergistic Lidar Photometer measurements may be possible (already some literature...)

Backup

Zero airmass:
$$V_{0,\lambda}^i = I_{0,\lambda} \cdot \kappa_{\lambda}^i$$
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$$AOD_{\lambda} = \frac{\ln(\kappa_{\lambda}) - \ln(\frac{V_{\lambda}}{I_{0,\lambda}}) - m_{atm}(\theta) \cdot \tau_{atm,\lambda}}{m_{a}(\theta)}.$$

 $\ln(\text{AOD}(\lambda_j)) = \ln(\beta) - \text{AE} \cdot \ln(\lambda_j).$