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                    Mauna Loa Solar Observatory Observer's Log
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            Tue Dec 11 17:01:28 GMT 2001
Year: 01  Doy: 345
Observer: yasukawa
WEATHER COMMENT: Tue Dec 11 17:01:35 GMT 2001
Cool, clear, south wind.
COMMENT: Tue Dec 11 17:08:51 GMT 2001
Waiting for sky tx to clear the dome wall.
Tue Dec 11 17:15:59 GMT 2001     MKIV     Start Patrol
Tue Dec 11 17:16:01 GMT 2001     CHIP     Start Patrol
Tue Dec 11 17:16:11 GMT 2001     PICS     Start Patrol
PSPT COMMENT: Tue Dec 11 17:19:22 GMT 2001
Observations started.
**PSPT PROBLEM**: Tue Dec 11 17:21:12 GMT 2001
Dome did not point correctly.  I will need to redo the dome ephmeris
calibration.
**PSPT PROBLEM**: Tue Dec 11 17:24:00 GMT 2001
Spar did not point correctly either, redoing gdr ephmcal too.
**PSPT PROBLEM**: Tue Dec 11 17:32:43 GMT 2001
Spar ended up pointing low after gdr ephmcal--almost as if it was calibrated
for an hour earlier.  Shut-down to determine if the spar and dome returns
to correct stow positions.  They did.  Re-Start-up.
PSPT COMMENT: Tue Dec 11 17:40:31 GMT 2001
Startup pointed dome a OK, but somewhat behind center (spar is right of center).
Spar pointed close enough for guider to acquire image.  Observation restarted.
**PSPT PROBLEM**: Tue Dec 11 17:48:00 GMT 2001
Daily Obs did not pull image to center during initial loop.
PSPT COMMENT: Tue Dec 11 17:51:22 GMT 2001
Image pulled to center at end of initial loop during centering routine
before the wait for next loop.
Tue Dec 11 18:02:55 GMT 2001     CHIP     LSD
Tue Dec 11 18:04:13 GMT 2001     PICS     Flat
Tue Dec 11 18:05:13 GMT 2001     CHIP     End LSD
Tue Dec 11 18:05:27 GMT 2001     CHIP     BiasLSD
Tue Dec 11 18:06:25 GMT 2001     CHIP     End BiasLSD
Tue Dec 11 18:06:33 GMT 2001     CHIP     Bias
Tue Dec 11 18:07:21 GMT 2001     PICS     End Flat
Tue Dec 11 18:07:26 GMT 2001     CHIP     End Bias
Tue Dec 11 18:10:17 GMT 2001     MKIV     End Patrol
Tue Dec 11 18:10:27 GMT 2001     MKIV     Start Cal
GONG COMMENT: Tue Dec 11 18:19:52 GMT 2001
Going down to GONG to do weekly PM.
Tue Dec 11 18:29:10 GMT 2001     MKIV     End Cal
Tue Dec 11 18:29:20 GMT 2001     MKIV     Start Patrol
GONG COMMENT: Tue Dec 11 18:50:02 GMT 2001
Back from GONG.
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PSPT COMMENT: Tue Dec 11 19:00:02 GMT 2001
Stopped observation to install test software.
Tue Dec 11 19:03:06 GMT 2001   CHIP   LSD
PSPT PROBLEM: Tue Dec 11 19:00:27 GMT 2001
Some of the images in the last loop looked either badly out of focus
or contained image motion. Multiple-soft images of active regions
point to image motion more than a focus problem like we had before
where two of three wavelengths were in focus and one was not due to
slippage of the focus mechanism. This time all three wavelengths
were smeared. This problem appears intermittent. Last image at
abort was sharp. We will need to look into this at a later time.
Tue Dec 11 19:05:25 GMT 2001   CHIP   End LSD
Tue Dec 11 19:05:40 GMT 2001   CHIP   BiasLSD
Tue Dec 11 19:06:39 GMT 2001   CHIP   End BiasLSD
Tue Dec 11 19:06:52 GMT 2001   CHIP   Bias
Tue Dec 11 19:07:50 GMT 2001   CHIP   End Bias
PSPT PROBLEM: Tue Dec 11 19:32:55 GMT 2001
After installing Alice's test software, I tried starting by centering
image. Program stalled at first step. I killed runPspt.pro and restarted
with Pspt and then Center Image again. Dome ran to wrong position.
Tue Dec 11 20:00:58 GMT 2001   CHIP   LSD
Tue Dec 11 20:03:17 GMT 2001   CHIP   End LSD
Tue Dec 11 20:03:28 GMT 2001   CHIP   BiasLSD
PSPT PROBLEM: Tue Dec 11 19:54:14 GMT 2001
Apparently when one exits pspt.pro on the PC, the current RA and DEC values
must be lost. Unless one starts up with the "home-then-position" guider and
dome routine contained in "Start-up" command, the ephemeris doesn't know
where the dome and spar are when trying to point the guider or dome.
Since the dome will want to go to its erroneous position when reconnecting
the computer interface cable after moving it anywhere manually (with cable
unplugged), I left it where it wanted to stay but I repositioned the
spar to its stow position and then restarted Pspt by first killing
runPspt.pro, restarting Pspt on sparc, then selecting Start-up on the gui.
This time spar and dome pointed (relatively) correctly. Daily Obs started up
correctly, quickly centering the image and running thru its program.
Tue Dec 11 20:04:22 GMT 2001   CHIP   End BiasLSD
Tue Dec 11 20:04:45 GMT 2001   CHIP   Bias
PSPT COMMENT: Tue Dec 11 20:04:08 GMT 2001
PSPT started up running Alice's modified pspt.exe nicely, beginning with
the flat-field routine (started at 19:50 UT).
Tue Dec 11 20:05:48 GMT 2001   CHIP   End Bias
PSPT PROBLEM: Tue Dec 11 20:08:16 GMT 2001
Images have been in-focus and stable.
PSPT PROBLEM: Tue Dec 11 20:25:56 GMT 2001
After CaK flat field routine, program tried to center image. Program ran thru
two 10-try attempts but could not lock on even though spar looked well
pointed. Blue(?) image looked out of focus or unstable. After the end of the
second attempt, guider locked on and program continued on with Red(?) flat

field routine. Images looked sharp.
PSPT PROBLEM: Tue Dec 11 20:45:43 GMT 2001
After flat field routine finished, progam waited for 2037 UT and started up
by trying to center image. It ran thru a 10-try failed attempt, again spar
looked like it was pointed correctly, displayed an unstable image, and
ran thru another failed 10-try attempt. Guider and mirror servos were
turned off by program and program attempted to start observing without
the guider and mirror. Program stalled and did not continue. Clock
on gui is still running--it stops for the usual crashes. PC is still
responsive--I can enter and delete characters.
PSPT PROBLEM: Tue Dec 11 20:52:38 GMT 2001
Program resumed by itself at 2050 UT. Images were stable byt not centered
(gdr and mir are off?).
Tue Dec 11 21:01:01 GMT 2001   CHIP   LSD
PSPT PROBLEM: Tue Dec 11 21:01:27 GMT 2001
After 2050 routine, program waited for 2100. At 2057 it started a
centering routine which ran smoothely and then it went back to wait mode
for 2100. At 2100, it started up a data routine which is running smoothely,
images are stable and sharp.
Tue Dec 11 21:03:18 GMT 2001   CHIP   End LSD
Tue Dec 11 21:03:32 GMT 2001   CHIP   BiasLSD
Tue Dec 11 21:04:19 GMT 2001   CHIP   End BiasLSD
Tue Dec 11 21:04:34 GMT 2001   CHIP   Bias
Tue Dec 11 21:05:20 GMT 2001   CHIP   End Bias
PSPT COMMENT: Tue Dec 11 21:12:20 GMT 2001
2100 routine and 2110 routine ran smmothely, images were sharp and stable.
Stopped observing to reinstall original pspt.exe.
Shutting down PSPT so that I can restart from stowed position.
PSPT COMMENT: Tue Dec 11 21:22:54 GMT 2001
Copied c:\pspt\save\pspt.exe (working version) back into c:\pspt (overwriting
Alice's test version) an restarting with Start-up.
PSPT PROBLEM: Tue Dec 11 21:26:59 GMT 2001
Start-up crashed (clock stopped) after Homing XY Stage step.
Killed runPspt.pro, Restarting with Startup again.
PSPT COMMENT: Tue Dec 11 21:39:57 GMT 2001
Second Startup attempt ran smoothely. Dome pointed slightly behind where
it should, spar ended up looking into the right edge of the slot slightly,
and the spar pointed so that the image was slightly off the top of the
display area. Dome could use another ephemeris calibration tomorrow
morning to touch up the position. The guider locked onto sun as soon
as Daily obs began running. Images look sharp and stable.
PSPT COMMENT: Tue Dec 11 21:52:46 GMT 2001
Observations stopped for the day. Shutdown went well. Dome and spar
stowed in the usual locations.
PSPT PROBLEM: Tue Dec 11 21:57:53 GMT 2001
Alice figured out that some of the problems we experienced today is because
the old version of pspt.exe remains memory resident even though the
program is overwritten. Clue was PC is never turned off at night and pspt.exe

comes up automatically at boot up. Rebooted PC as requested by Alice.
Tue Dec 11 22:03:25 GMT 2001   CHIP   End LSD
Tue Dec 11 22:03:34 GMT 2001   CHIP   BiasLSD
PICS PROBLEM: Tue Dec 11 22:02:07 GMT 2001
Ah rats! PICS filter wheel may be slipping again, No vignetting, but
gui is showing timeout when going to clear station. May be encoder not
engaging due to slippage.
Tue Dec 11 22:04:14 GMT 2001   PICS   End Patrol
Tue Dec 11 22:04:17 GMT 2001   CHIP   End BiasLSD
Tue Dec 11 22:04:35 GMT 2001   CHIP   Bias
Tue Dec 11 22:05:21 GMT 2001   CHIP   End Bias
Tue Dec 11 22:07:24 GMT 2001   MKIV   End Patrol
Tue Dec 11 22:07:40 GMT 2001   CHIP   End Patrol
Tue Dec 11 22:11:22 GMT 2001
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