
Mauna Loa Solar Observatory Observer's Log

Tue Jul 6 16:47:58 GMT 2010

Year: 10 Doy: 187

Observer: koon

WEATHER COMMENT: Tue Jul 6 16:48:00 GMT 2010

Clear sky, wind=5mph from the SE, temp=53F.

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Tue Jul 6 16:55:05 GMT 2010 MKIV Start Patrol

Tue Jul 6 16:55:22 GMT 2010 CHIP Start Patrol

PSPT COMMENT BY DARRYL: Tue Jul 6 17:14:00 GMT 2010

Observing.

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Tue Jul 6 17:36:33 GMT 2010 MKIV End Patrol

Tue Jul 6 18:01:36 GMT 2010 CHIP LSD

Tue Jul 6 18:03:08 GMT 2010 CHIP End LSD

Tue Jul 6 18:03:16 GMT 2010 CHIP BiasLSD

Tue Jul 6 18:04:02 GMT 2010 CHIP End BiasLSD

Tue Jul 6 18:04:10 GMT 2010 CHIP Bias

Tue Jul 6 18:04:56 GMT 2010 CHIP End Bias

Tue Jul 6 18:05:09 GMT 2010 CHIP ReStart Patrol

Tue Jul 6 20:19:18 GMT 2010 MKIV Start Cal

MKIV PROBLEM COMMENT BY DARRYL:
Tue Jul 6 20:19:40 GMT 2010

I think the CCD on the Mk4 camera is failing, we're seeing the same "dark noise" signal like we did when the last CCD sensor failed in this camera, it's not exactly the same but there is signal even when the sensor isn't illuminated by the solar image, last bad CCD had raised noise across the sensor with a high point in the central region, this sensor has a fairly level raised signal area across the sensor but dip a lot near the right edge, and there are high spikes on the outside edges of where the double signal "humps" normally fall and lowered spikes on the inside edges of where those humps normally fall - even though it is dark and there aren't any humps. This is the case even with the camera and SK lens covered with black photography cloth so it isn't a light leak problem. The double humps also show a big dip in the right humps as first noticed by Ben back on 6/28/10 before I started to realign the camera to increase the Vgain and in hopes of eliminating this dip. I've taken pictures and sent out an explanatory email with a timeline and the request for help in getting a new CCD sensor. We should keep running Mk4 anyway, the data may still be useful. I'm running a calibration now, after that I'll do a "Correct" and then run another calibration.

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Tue Jul 6 20:38:05 GMT 2010 MKIV End Cal

Tue Jul 6 20:45:53 GMT 2010 MKIV Start Correct

Tue Jul 6 20:47:25 GMT 2010 MKIV End Correct

MKIV COMMENT BY DARRYL: Tue Jul 6 20:48:16 GMT 2010

Last output line from "Correct" shows:

s & p hairlines 97 274 97 282
 and the up/down signal looks greater than the last Correct showed. Back in 5/09 the hairlines were found at 107,275 and 108,274 instead of 97,274 and 97,282 like now, but the Correct graph looks bad at low heights around that 95-110 region if I'm reading it right (there aren't any labeled axes) so that corresponds to the bad looking lower heights in the scans and in the double humps (inside edges are lower heights for both humps) and so it makes sense that the Correct program would have difficulty finding hairlines there. I'm going to cycle the KCC power as we have to do between running a "Correct" and "Patrol" else the barrel runs to a limit and sits there. Then I'll go on with other tasks and leave Mk4 as-is until I get back to MLSO on 7/18.

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 Tue Jul 6 21:40:36 GMT 2010 MKIV Start Patrol
 Tue Jul 6 21:46:52 GMT 2010 MKIV End Patrol
 Tue Jul 6 21:47:42 GMT 2010 MKIV Start Cal

MKIV COMMENT BY DARRYL: Tue Jul 6 21:51:57 GMT 2010
 After the Correct the real-time scans look the same except for the ring inside of the lowest corona is now mostly white instead of mostly blue. Running another Cal then it's back to Patrol.

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 Tue Jul 6 22:07:12 GMT 2010 MKIV End Cal
 NOTE BY DARRYL: Tue Jul 6 22:12:41 GMT 2010
 I setup a delivery of LN2 for 7/21/10, a 170 Liter dewar.

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 Tue Jul 6 23:02:37 GMT 2010 CHIP LSD
 Tue Jul 6 23:04:12 GMT 2010 CHIP End LSD
 Tue Jul 6 23:04:21 GMT 2010 CHIP BiasLSD
 Tue Jul 6 23:04:56 GMT 2010 CHIP End BiasLSD
 Tue Jul 6 23:05:12 GMT 2010 CHIP Bias
 Tue Jul 6 23:05:56 GMT 2010 CHIP End Bias
 Tue Jul 6 23:06:03 GMT 2010 CHIP ReStart Patrol
 Tue Jul 6 23:40:42 GMT 2010 CHIP End Patrol
 Tue Jul 6 23:44:14 GMT 2010 MKIV End Patrol
 Wed Jul 7 00:00:40 GMT 2010

MkIV

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