

Development Atmospheric Spectro-radiometry as a Support Technique to the LOA-UNAL Activities

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Abstract: Remote sensing systems have the ability to obtain information from a far object. This concept may be applied to atmospheric study related to air quality, aerosols transport, and the climate. In the LOA-UNAL has development a singular automatic Spectroradiometer (EPR-LOA) system, which has been incorporated to the LOA-UNAL activities. In this paper, we shown the first results of solar spectrum registered over Medellín city (6.26°N, 75.58W, 1471 a.g.s.l) covering range from 250 nm to 700 nm, and the first attempt for obtain the AOD for the two lidar wavelengths: 355 nm and 532.

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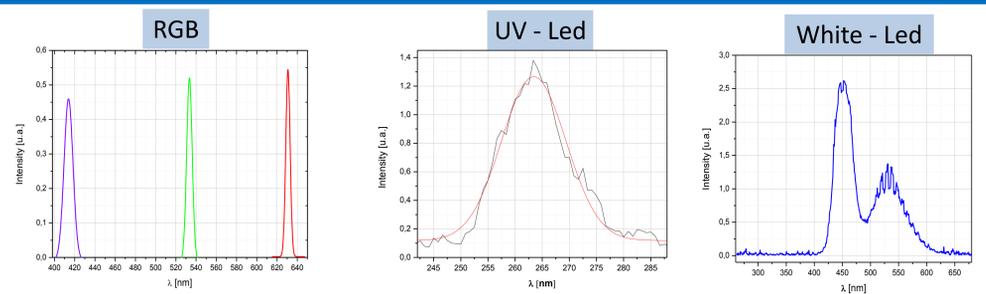
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Research fields:

- Atmosphere remote sensing
- Laser applications
- Spectroscopy

Wavelength Calibration

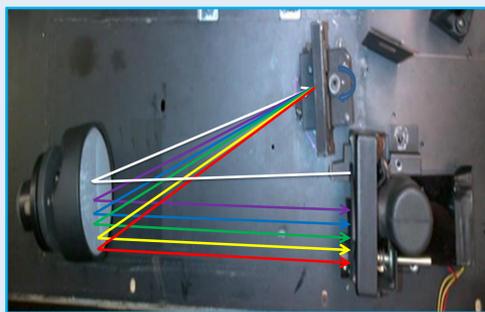


Spectro-radiometer Set-Up

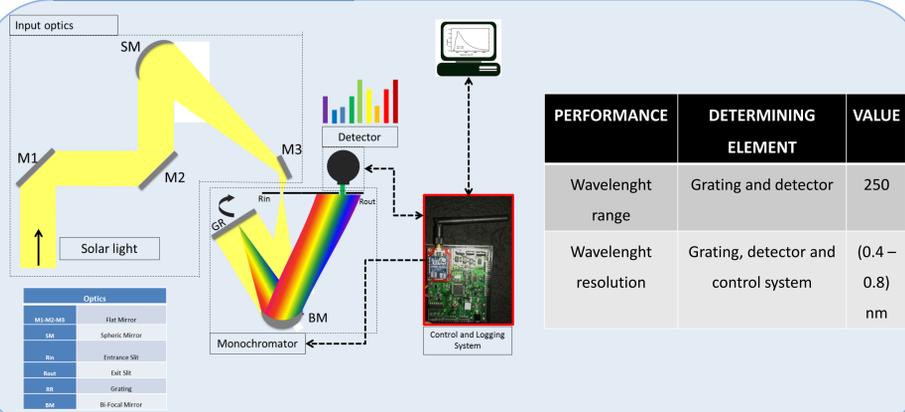
The instrument



Used for fast irradiance scanning over 250 - 700 nm wavelength region. The goal is measuring of solar spectral irradiance.



Design and characteristics



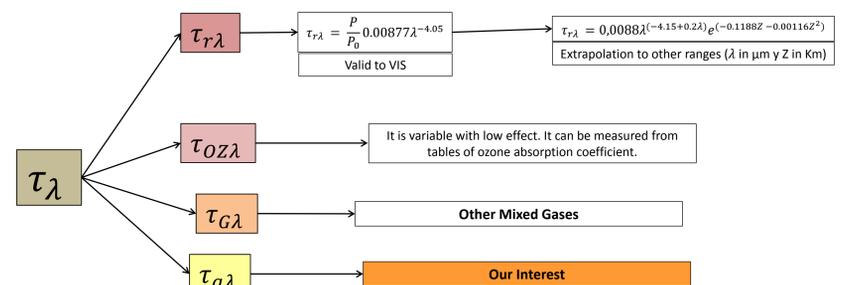
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Methodology to obtain AOD

$$V_{\lambda} = \frac{V_{0\lambda}}{R^2} \exp(-\tau_{\lambda} m) \text{ - Beer-Lambert-Bouguer Law}$$

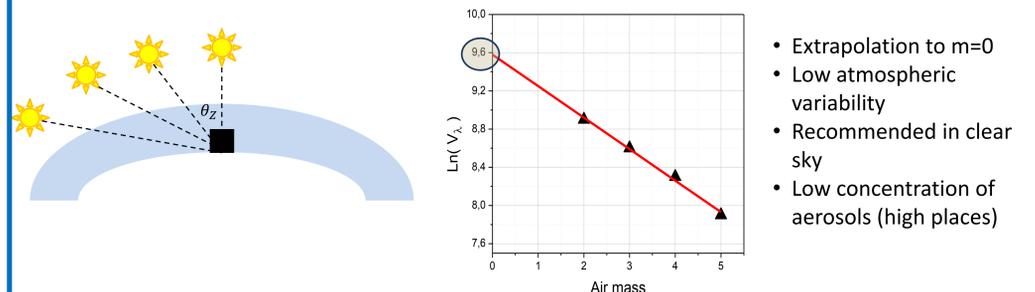
$$m = \frac{1}{(\cos\theta_z + 0.50572(1.46468 - \theta_z)^{-1.6})}$$



$$\tau_{a\lambda} = \tau_{\lambda} - \tau_{o z \lambda} - \tau_{r\lambda} - \tau_{G\lambda}$$

Langley Method: V_0

$$V_{\lambda} = \frac{V_{0\lambda}}{R^2} \exp(-\tau_{\lambda} m) \quad \longrightarrow \quad \ln(V_{\lambda}) = \ln\left(\frac{V_{0\lambda}}{R^2}\right) - \tau_{\lambda} m$$



Conclusions

- LOA-UNAL has developed and built an Spectro-radiometer system fully operationally to atmospheric studies as a support technique to LOA-UNAL activities.
- Spectro-radiometer system was wavelength calibrated by using several light sources.
- The spectro-radiometer, potentially will provide data for algorithm validation of aerosol retrievals and it helps to studying optical aerosol properties.

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