

PlaneWave at AIC 2011 - Sky & Telescope

“STELLAR TRAIL SEEING MONITOR”

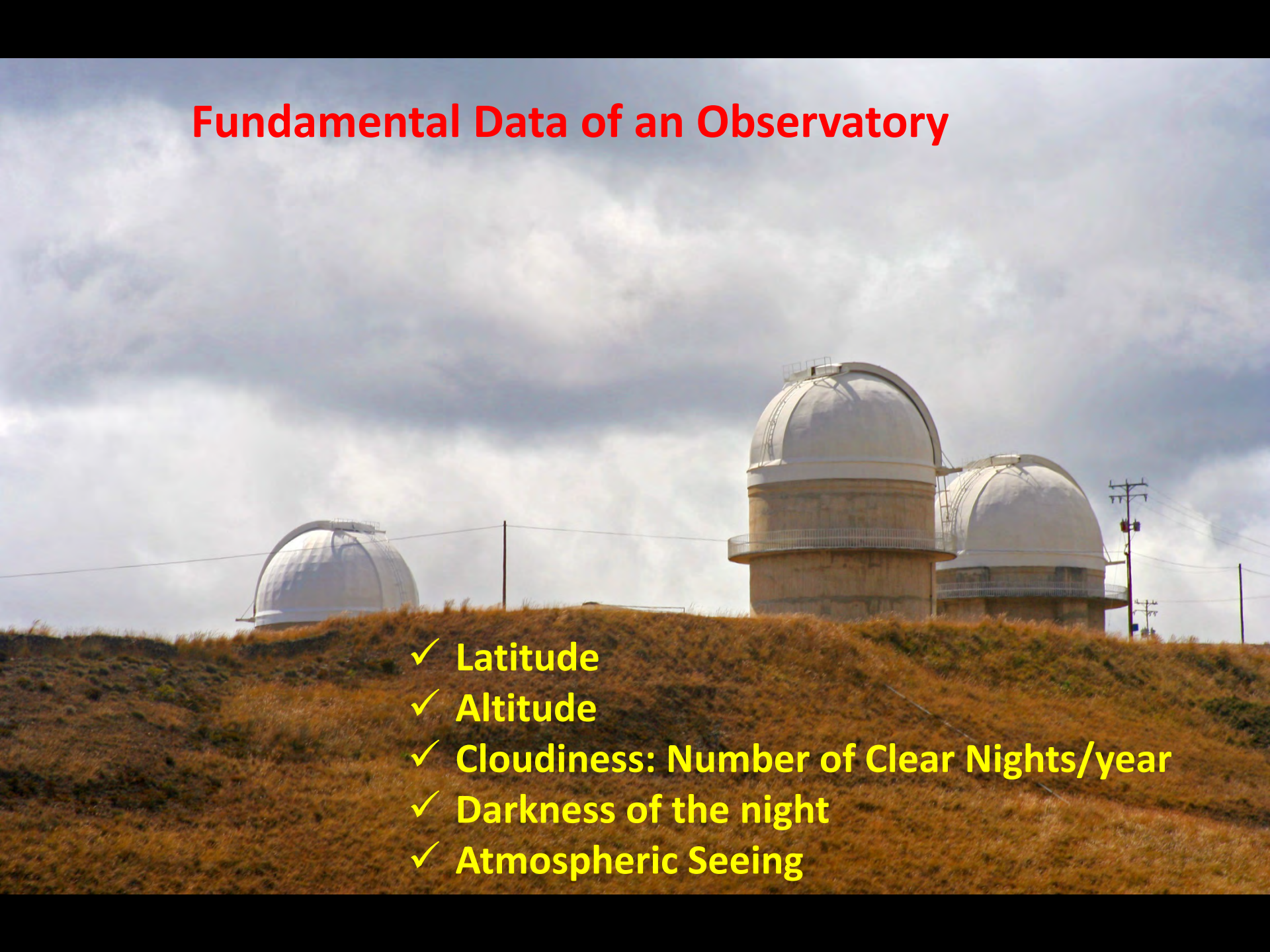
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Fundamental Data of an Observatory

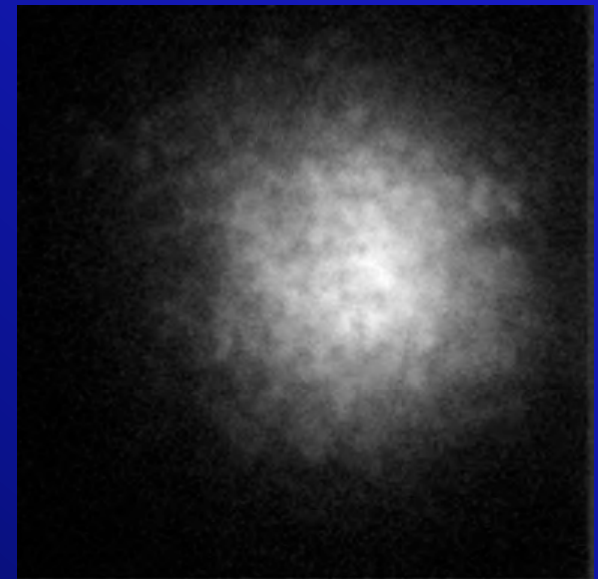
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- The image shows three large, white, dome-shaped astronomical observatories situated on a grassy hill. The sky is filled with heavy, grey clouds. In the foreground, there is a list of five items, each preceded by a yellow checkmark. The observatories are made of concrete and have metal railings around their bases. A utility pole with wires is visible on the right side of the image.
- ✓ Latitude
 - ✓ Altitude
 - ✓ Cloudiness: Number of Clear Nights/year
 - ✓ Darkness of the night
 - ✓ Atmospheric Seeing

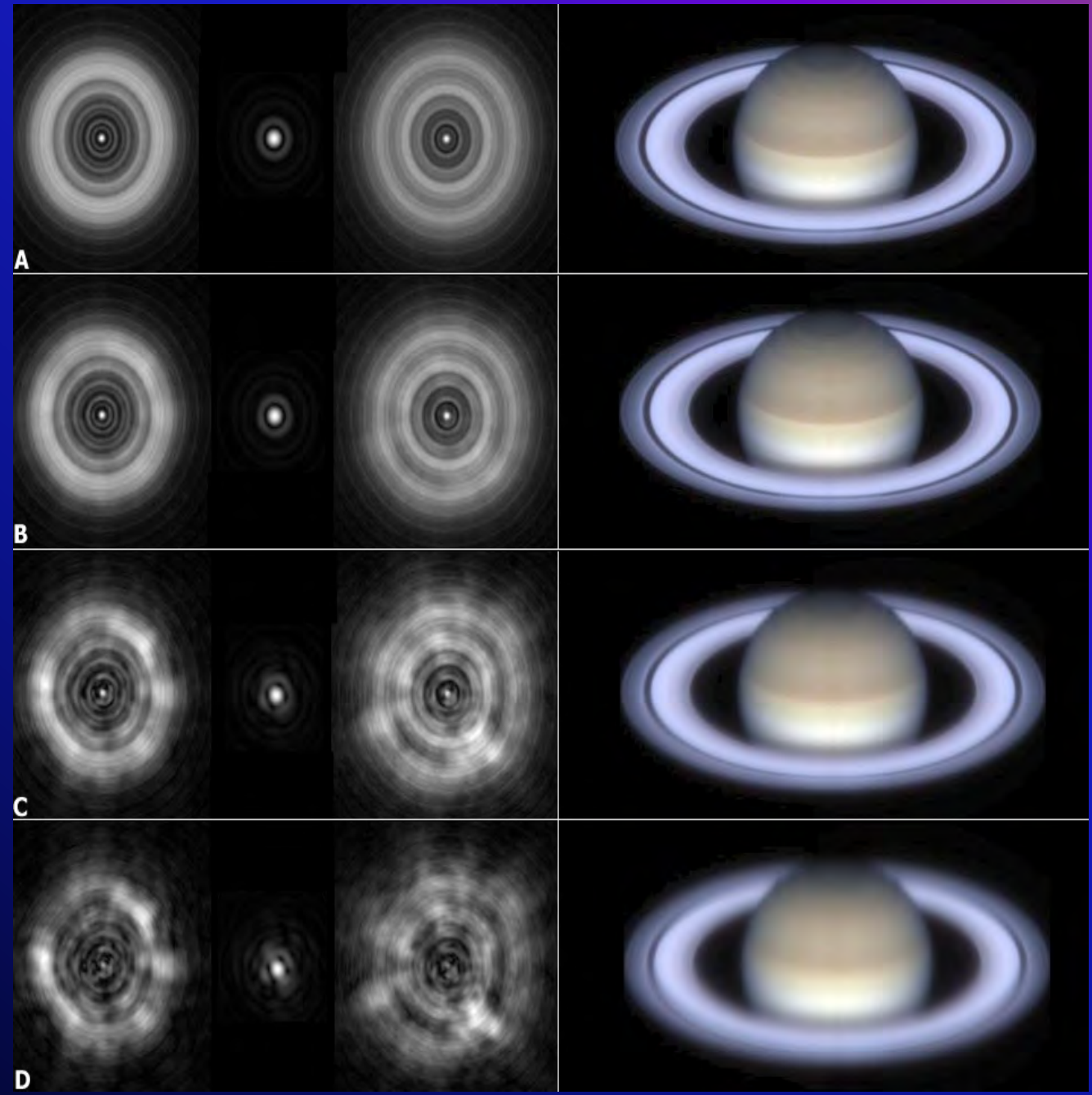


Effect of "Seeing"

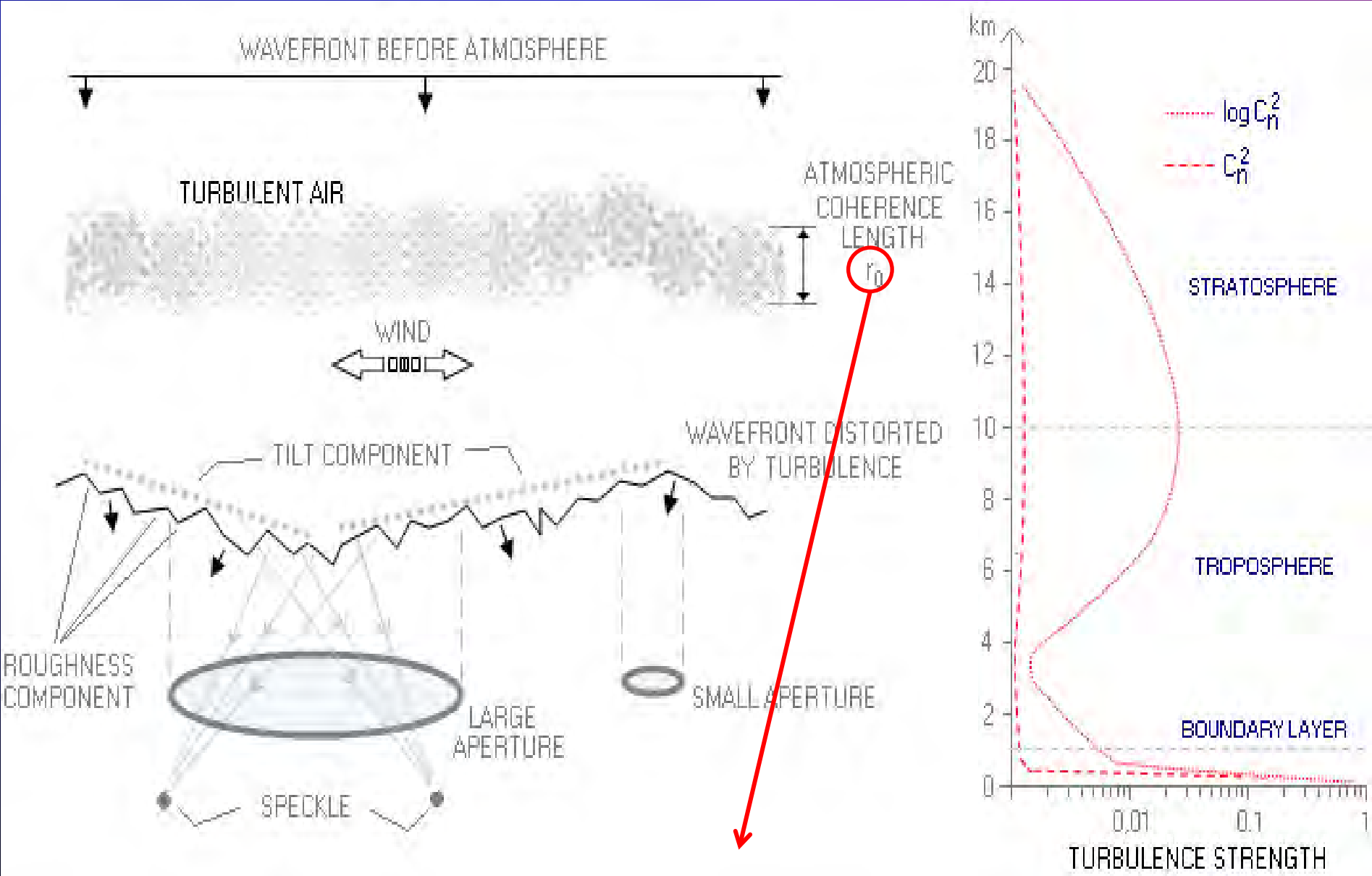


Mars on Different Nights

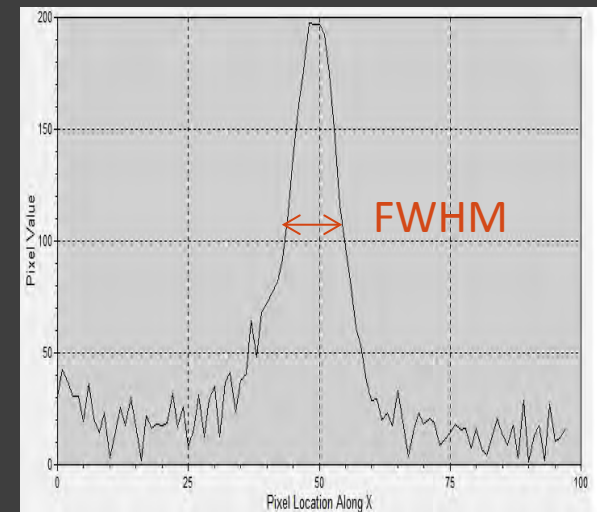




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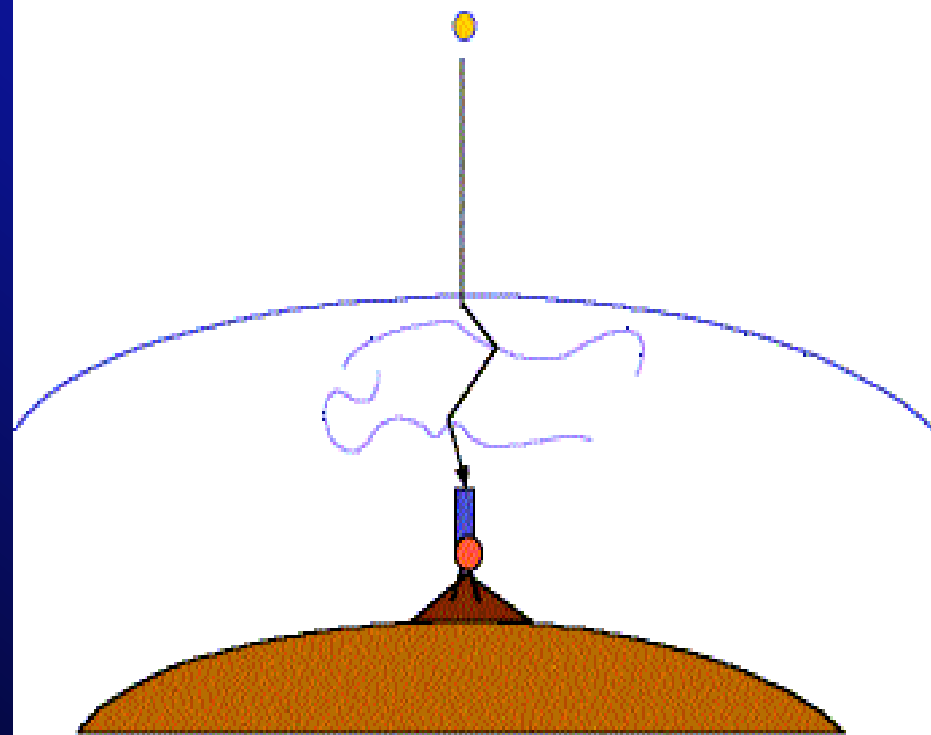
Fried r_0 (cm) Parameter



FWHMs typical 1 ~ 3 seconds of arc

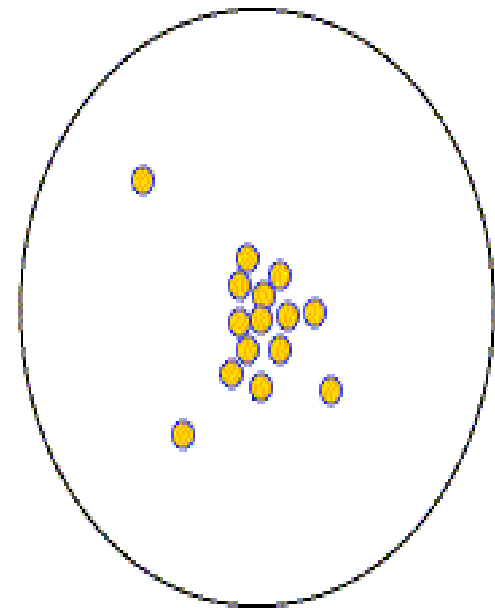
¿Why a Stellar Trail Seeing Monitor?: STSM

- ✓ To monitor the imagen quality (FWHM)
- ✓ Obtain the Fried parameter
- ✓ Determine the Greenwood's frequency
- ✓ Determine the resonant frequency of a telescope



on mountain tops there is
less atmosphere to look
through—less distortion.

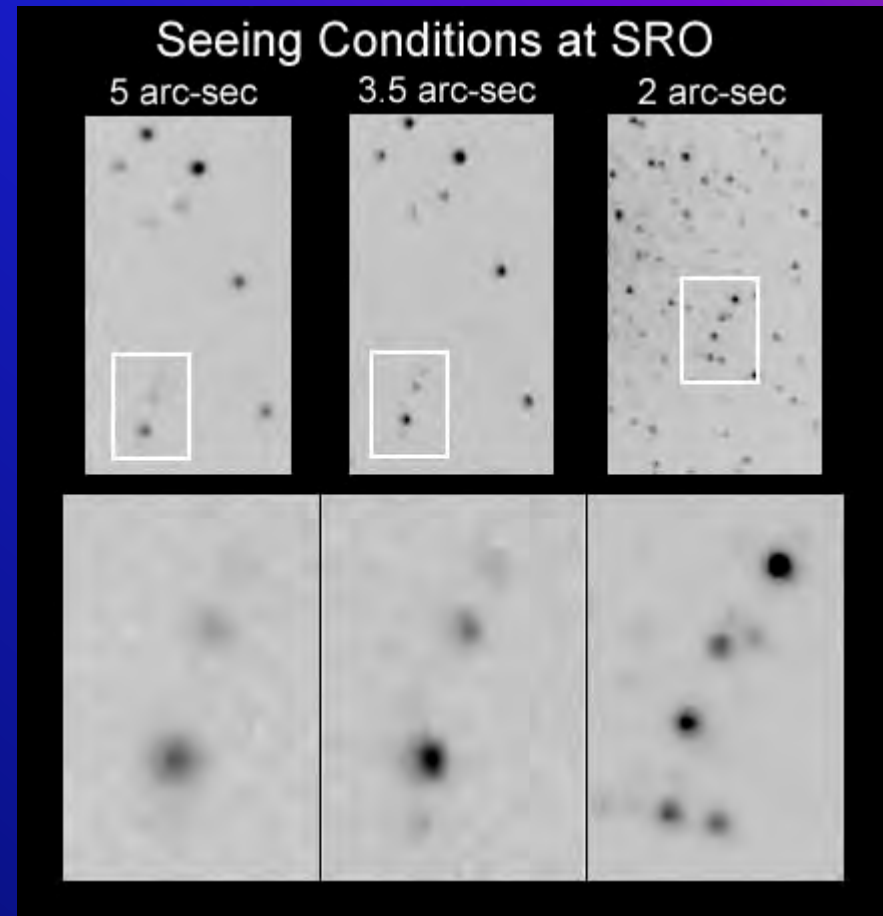
telescope view
(high magnification)



The **detectability** of a faint source goes as the inverse squared of the seeing:

$$1/S^2$$

=> Laminar Flow



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Harlan, 1965

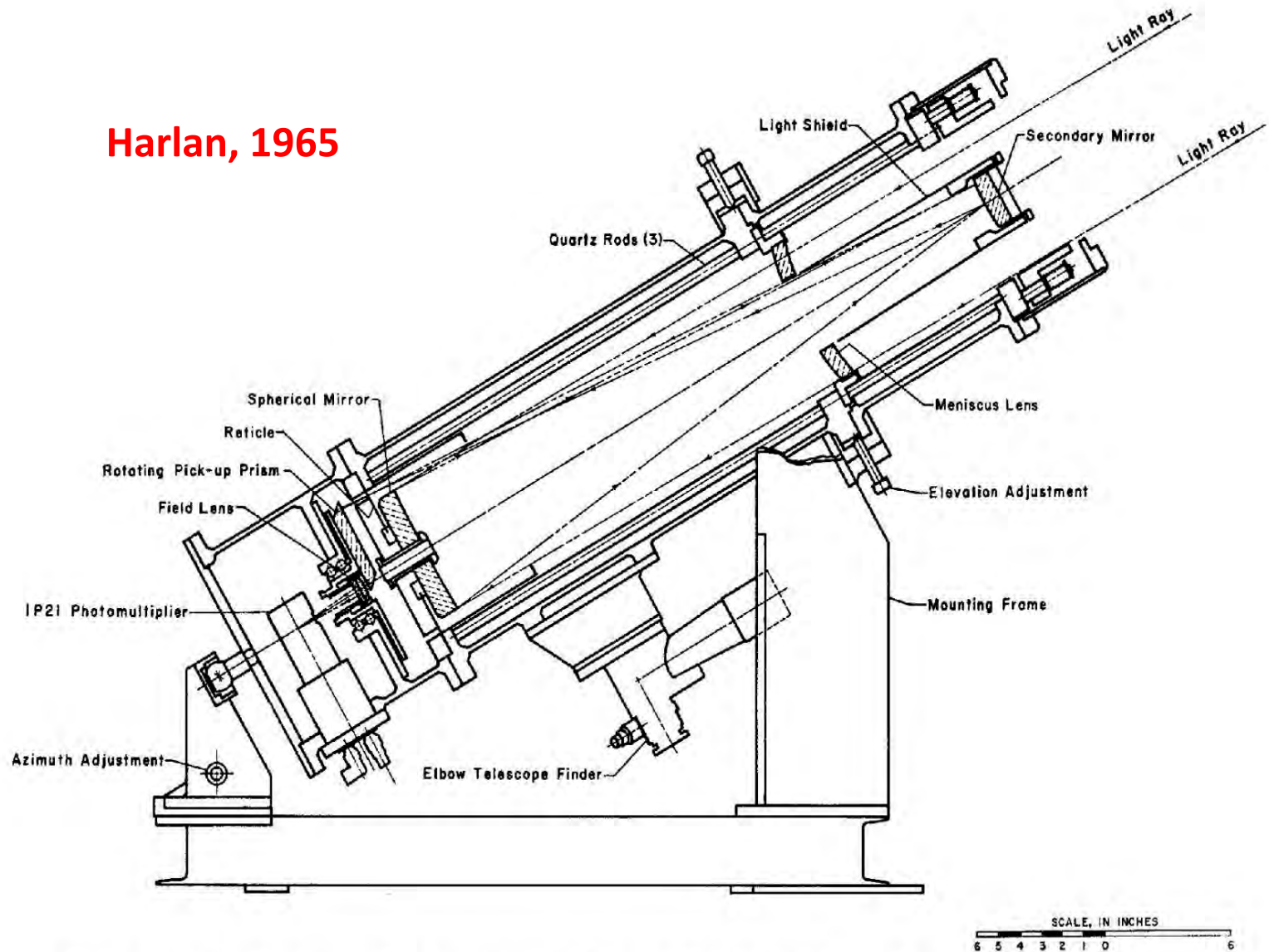


FIG. 4.—Cross-section drawing of the Polaris seeing monitor. The image of Polaris is formed outside the periphery of the primary mirror

Harlan, 1965



Six and one-half inch site-testing telescope on a fixed mounting for observation of star trails of Polaris, situated about 400 feet west of the 120-inch reflector.

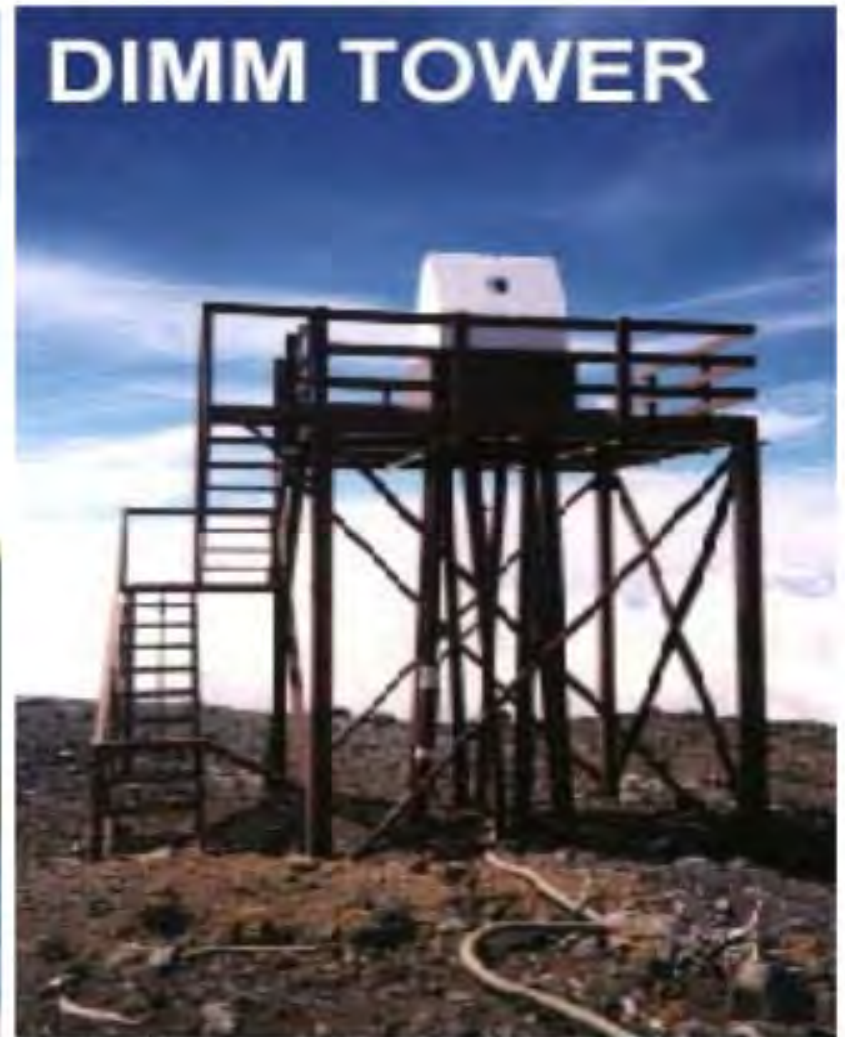
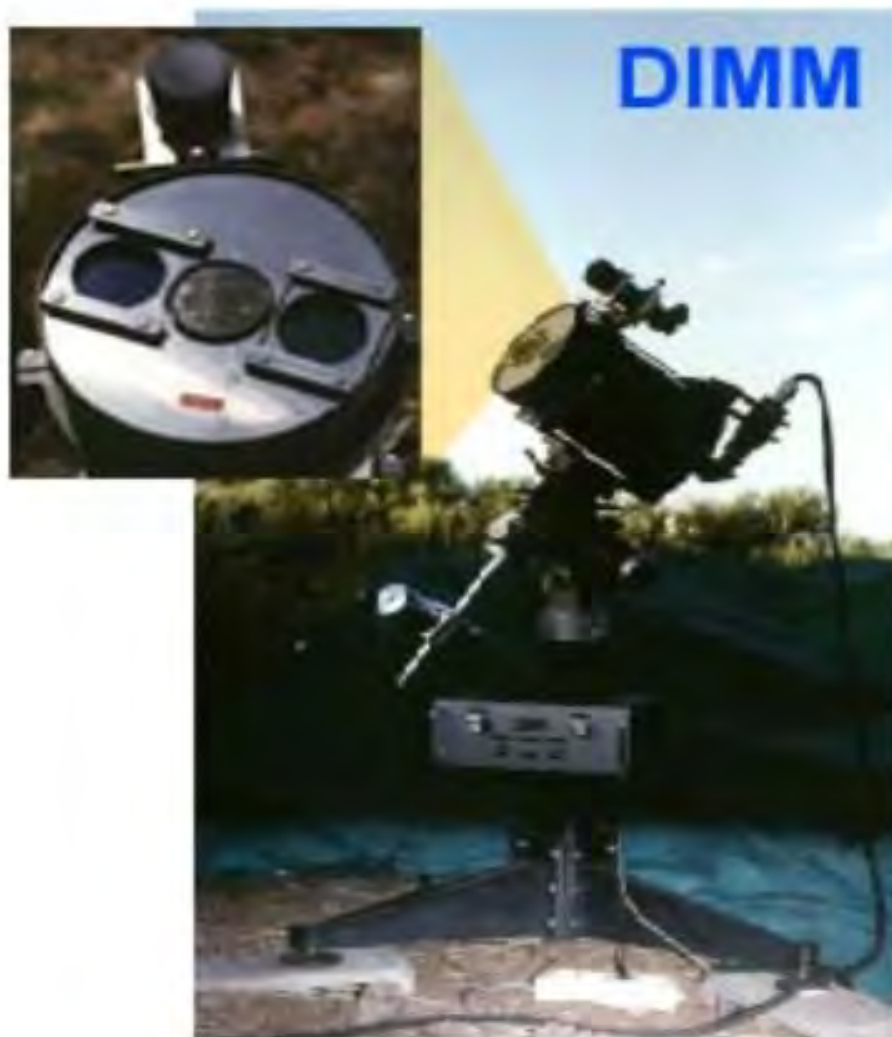


Figura 1: Izquierda.- Imagen del DIMM y tapa con dos aperturas para la obtención de dos imágenes de la misma estrella. Derecha.- Torre de 5m diseñada por el Grupo italiano Galileo sobre la que se instala el DIMM, protegido por una cúpula de protección realizada en los talleres del IAC.

DIMM vs STSM

DIMM-ADVANTAGES

1- Focus is not critical

DIMM-DISADVANTAGES

1- Mount has to follow the sky => needs electricity

2- Needs a video => heavy files

non-trivial processing, more than 200 images needed

3- Bright stars

STSM-ADVANTAGES

- 1- Fix telescope pointing to the zenit**
- 2- No need of electricity**
- 3- Trivial processing of one single image**
- 4- Fourier techniques allow the determinations of atmospheric frequencies**
- 5- Faint stars easy to find can be used**
- 6- FWHM in real time**

STSM-DISADVANTAGES

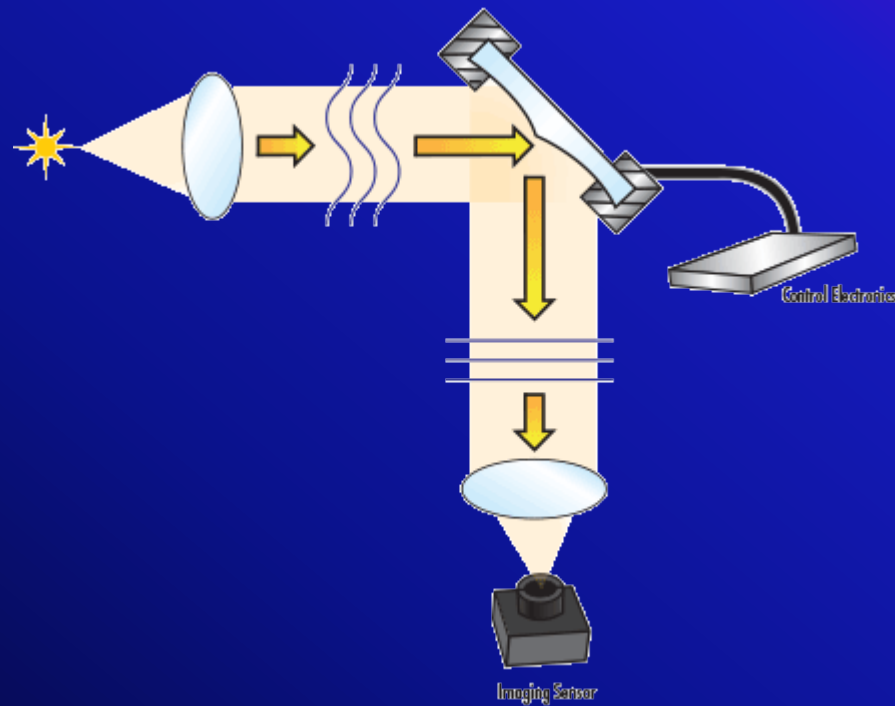
- 1- Focus is critical**
- 2- Sensitive to local vibrations and wind**

Fried parameter (r_0)

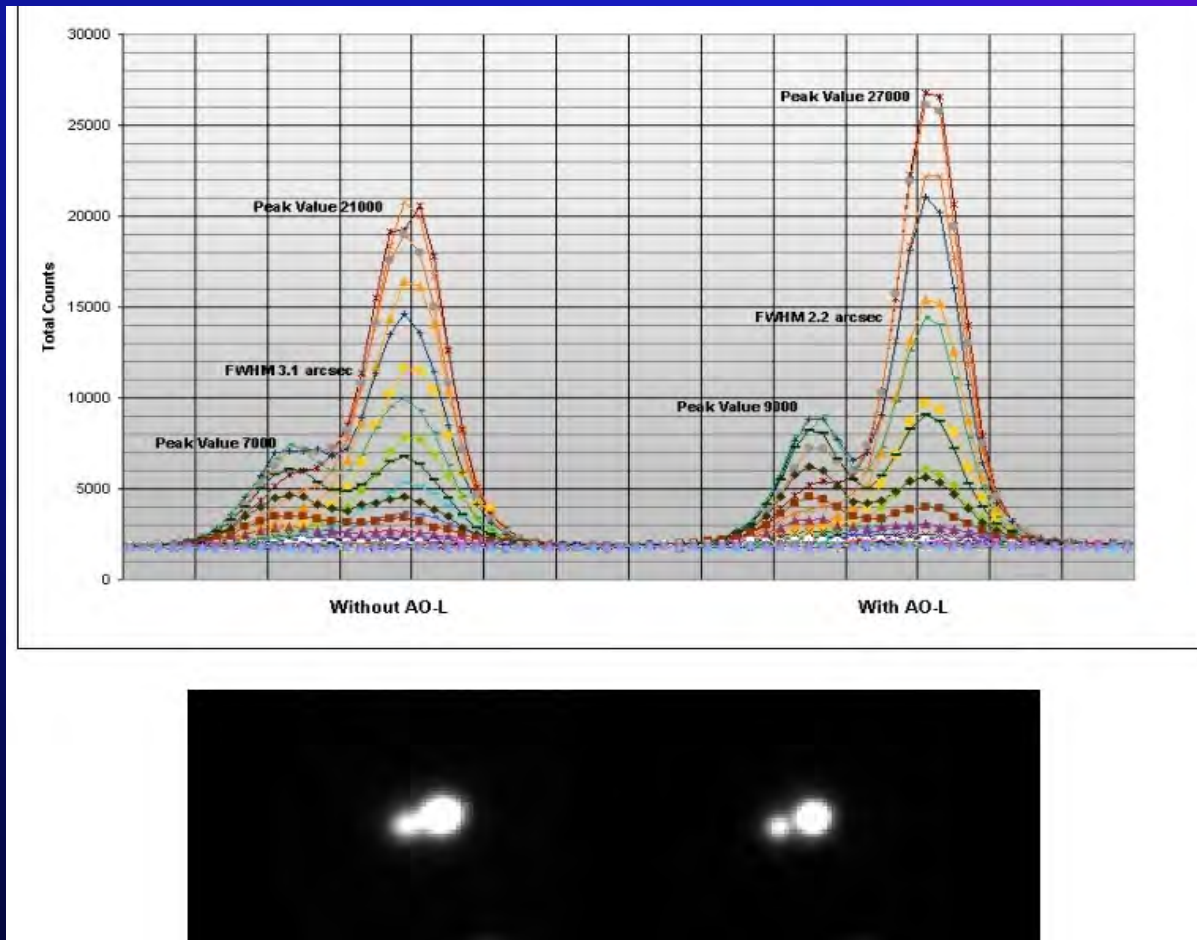
It is a measure of the quality of the optical
Transmission of the atmosphere due to
Index of refraction

Es una medida de la calidad de la transmision
Óptica a traves de la atmosfera debido a
Inhomogeneidades del indice de refracción.
Tiene unidades de longitud y se mide en
cm.

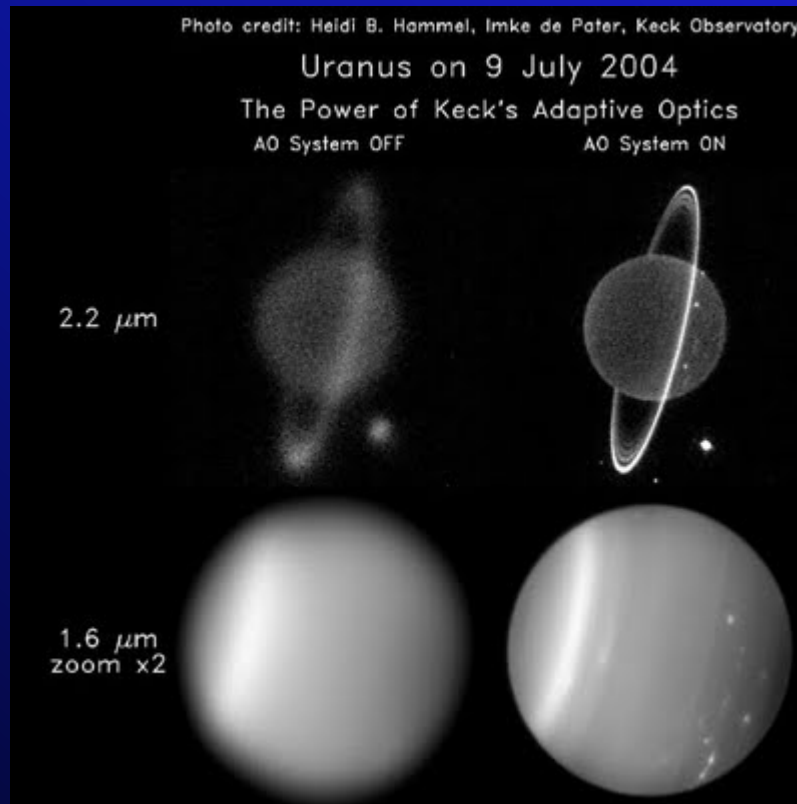
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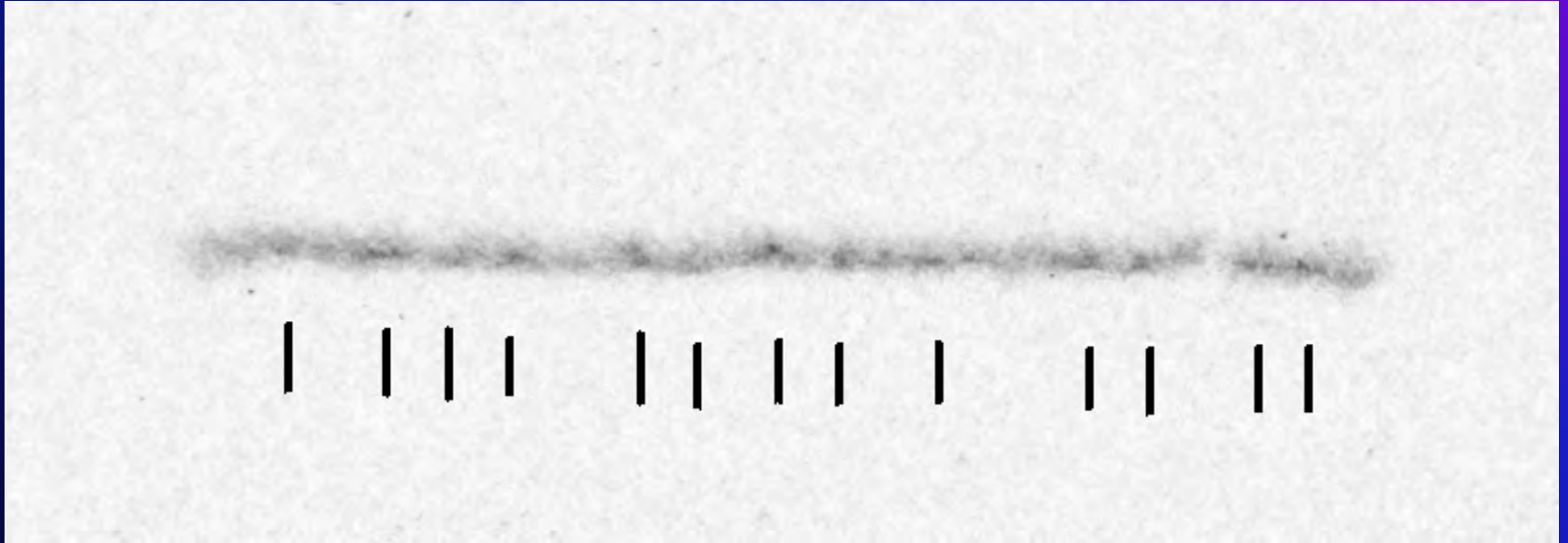
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Frecuencia de Greenwood y Longitud de Escala de Titilación

Es la frecuencia o ancho de banda para la corrección óptima de un Sistema de optica adaptativa. Va desde decaHz a KiloHz.

Determinamos $GF = 0.59 \text{ Hz}$

Definimos Scintillation Scale Length = v / GF

donde v = velocidad del viento = 2.5 km/h

$SSL = 1.2 \text{ m} = \text{Fried Parameter}$

Telescopio Maksutov-
Cassegrain

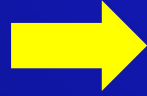
Apertura 180mm

Focal 2751mm (medida)

Razón Focal f/15.3

Resolución

0.7 segundos de arco @
550nm



MOSA

Cámara

Canon EOS 500D

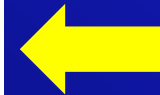
Sensor CMOS 4752 ×
3168 (22.3 × 14.9mm²)

Pixel 4.69 × 4.69μm²

Escala

0.35seg.arco/pixel

Campo 27.8 × 18.6
minutos de arco²



Pruebas Nocturnas de MOSA

16/17, 17/18 y 19/20 de marzo del 2013



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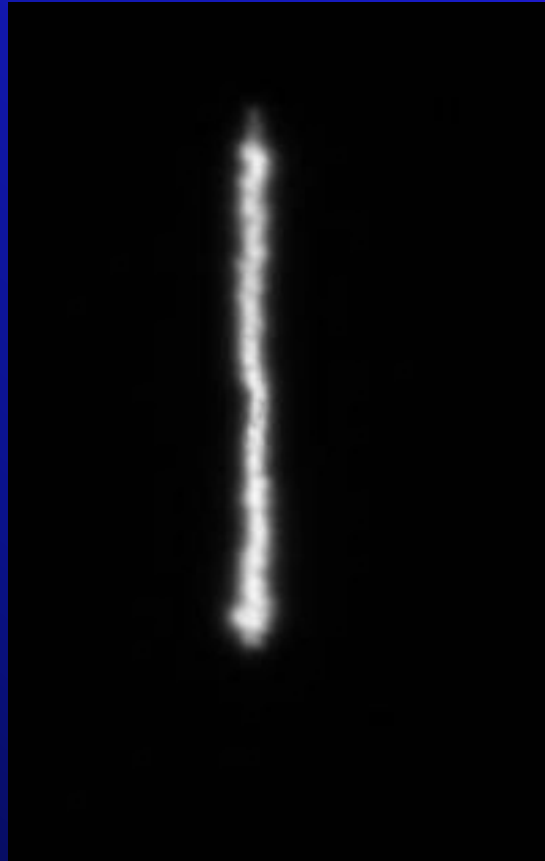
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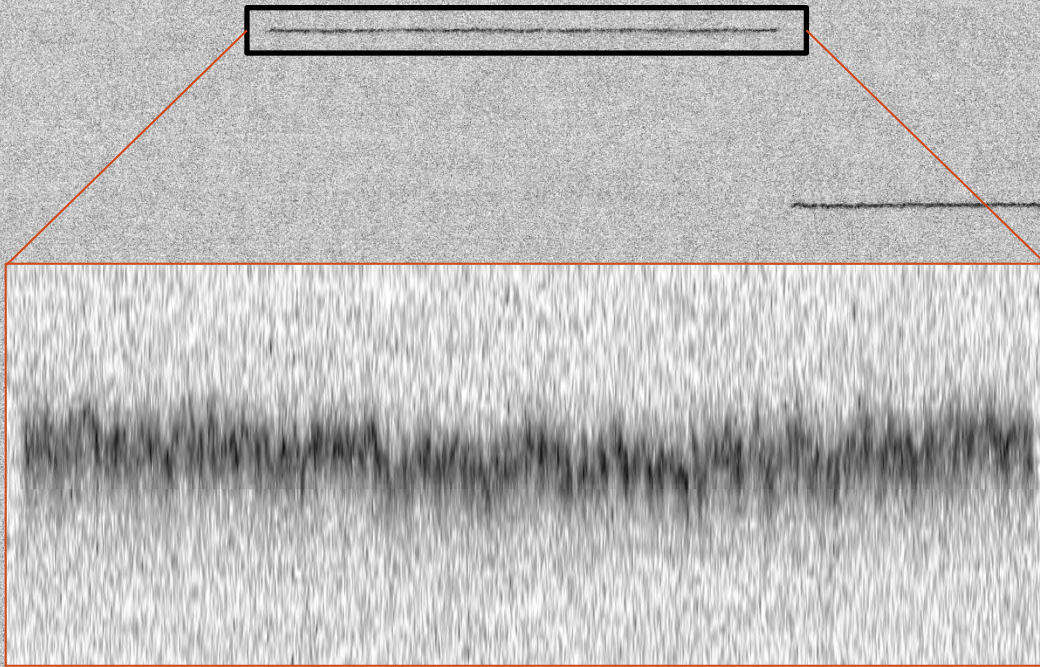
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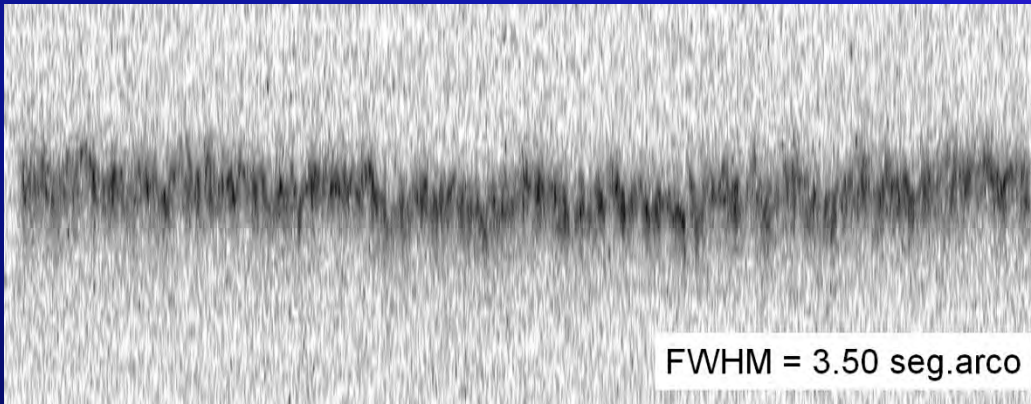
Ejemplo de vibración y viento



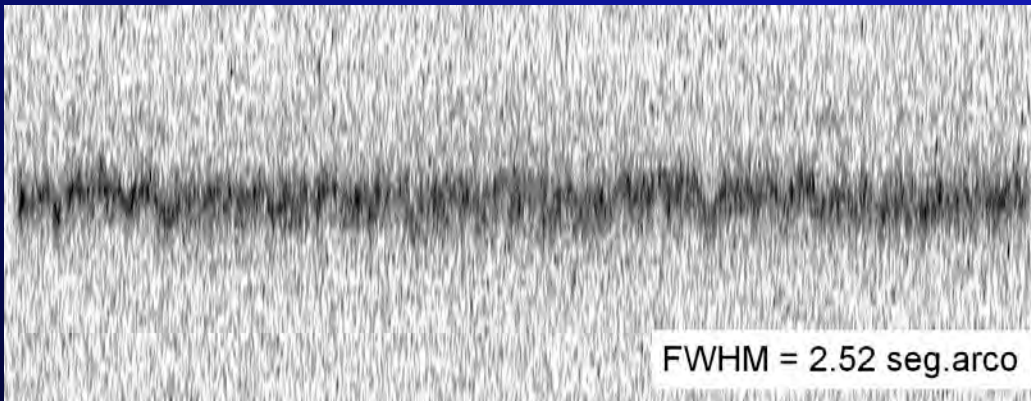


(Escala Vertical 10X)

Un par de ejemplos...



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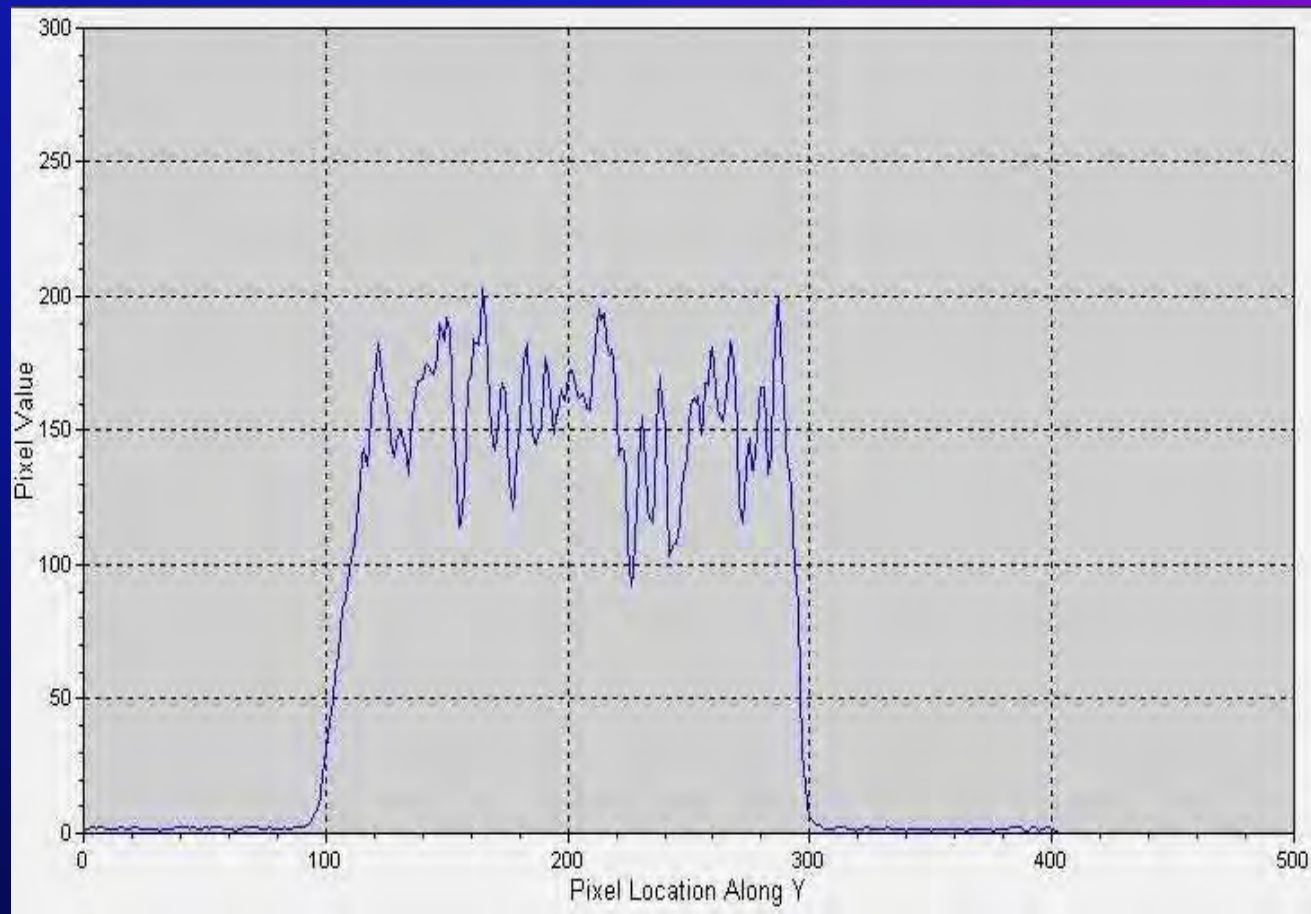
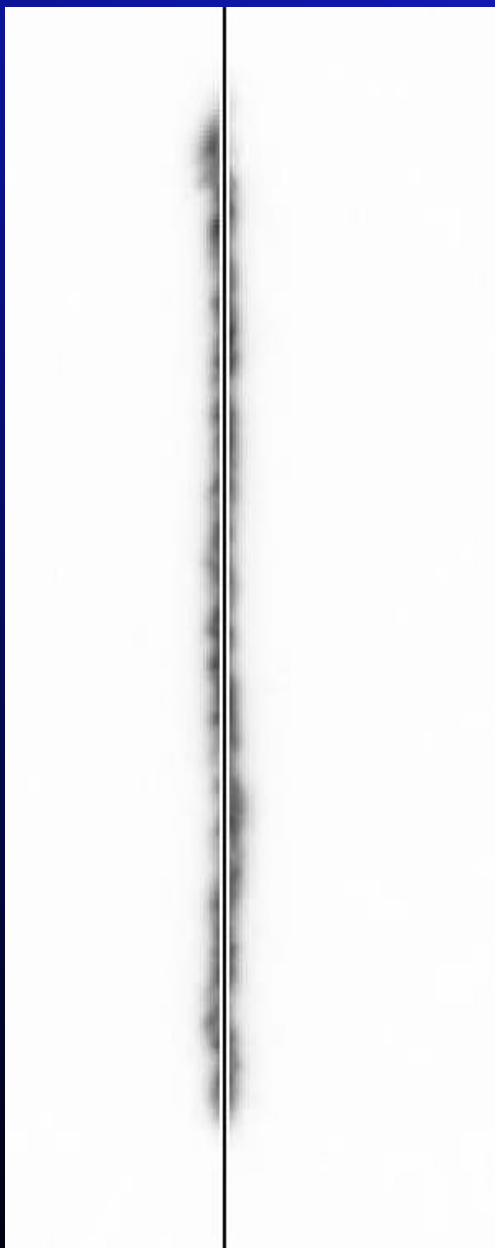


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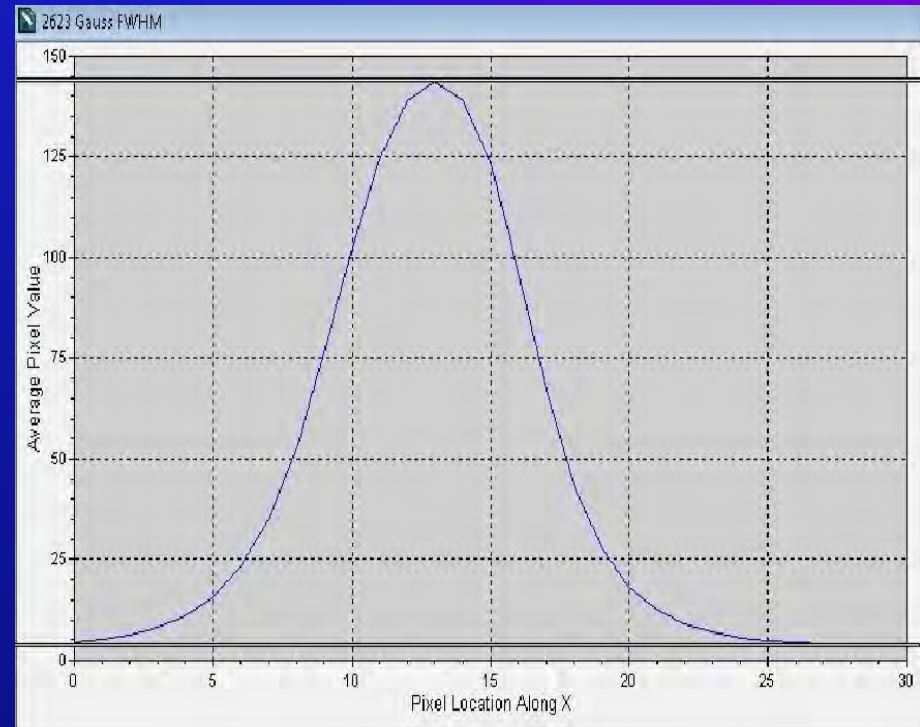
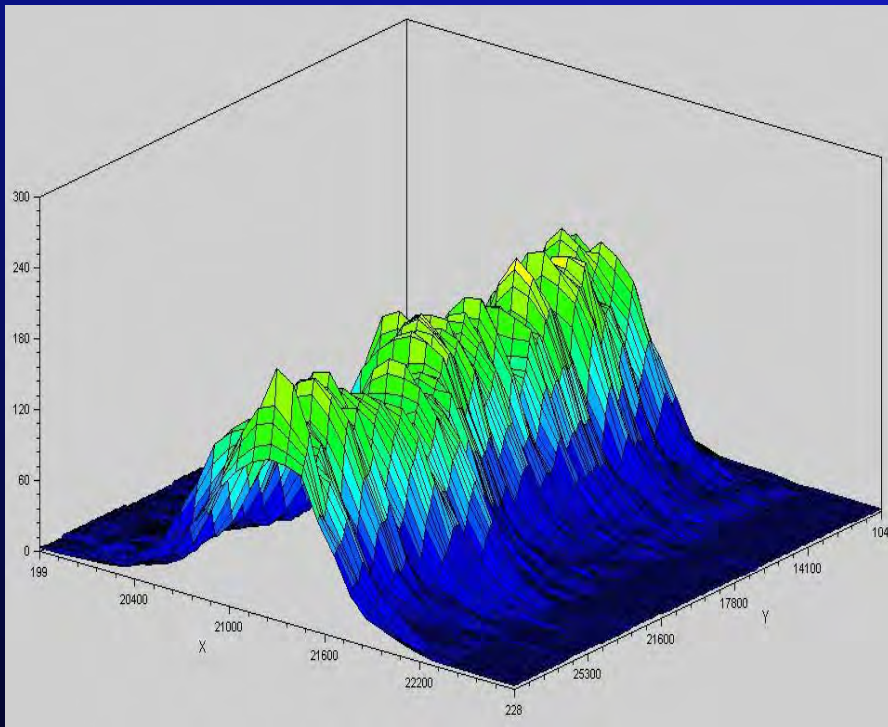
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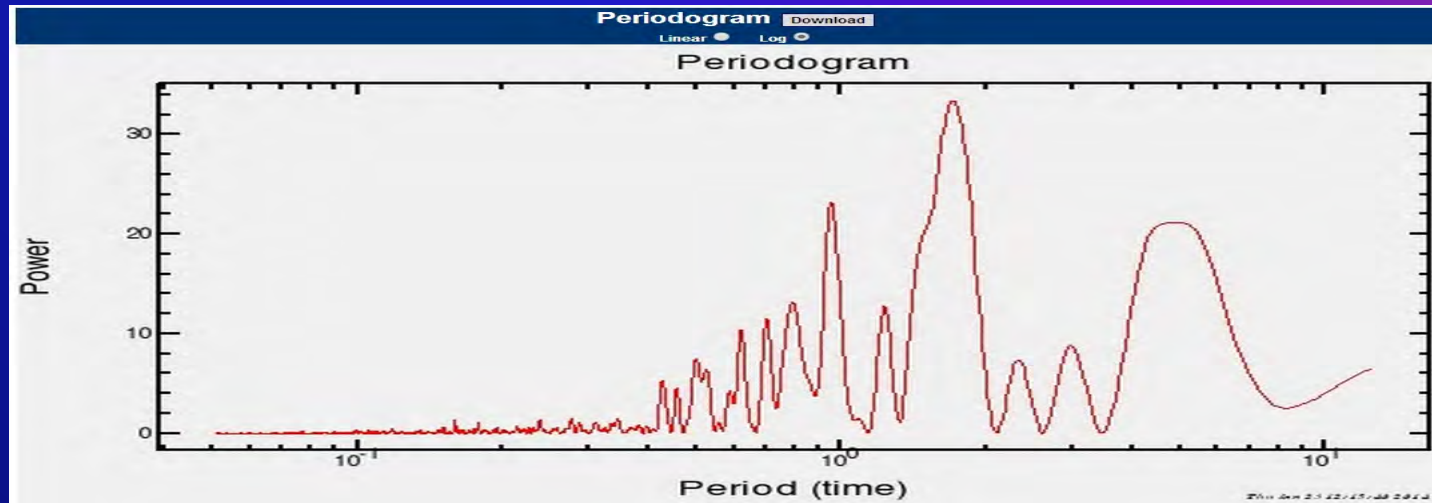
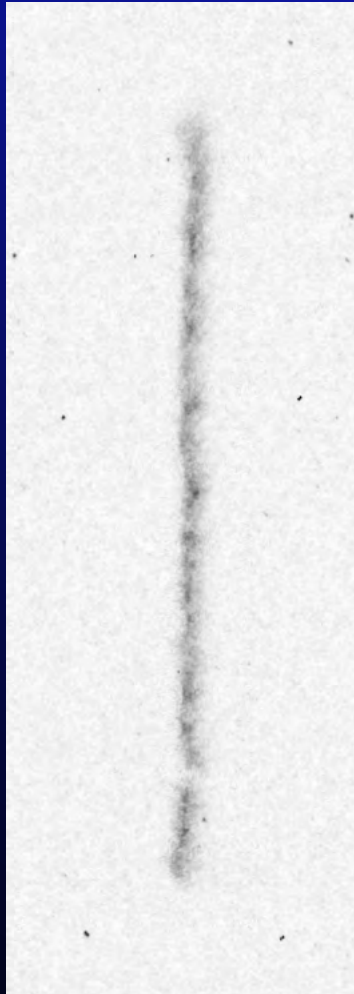




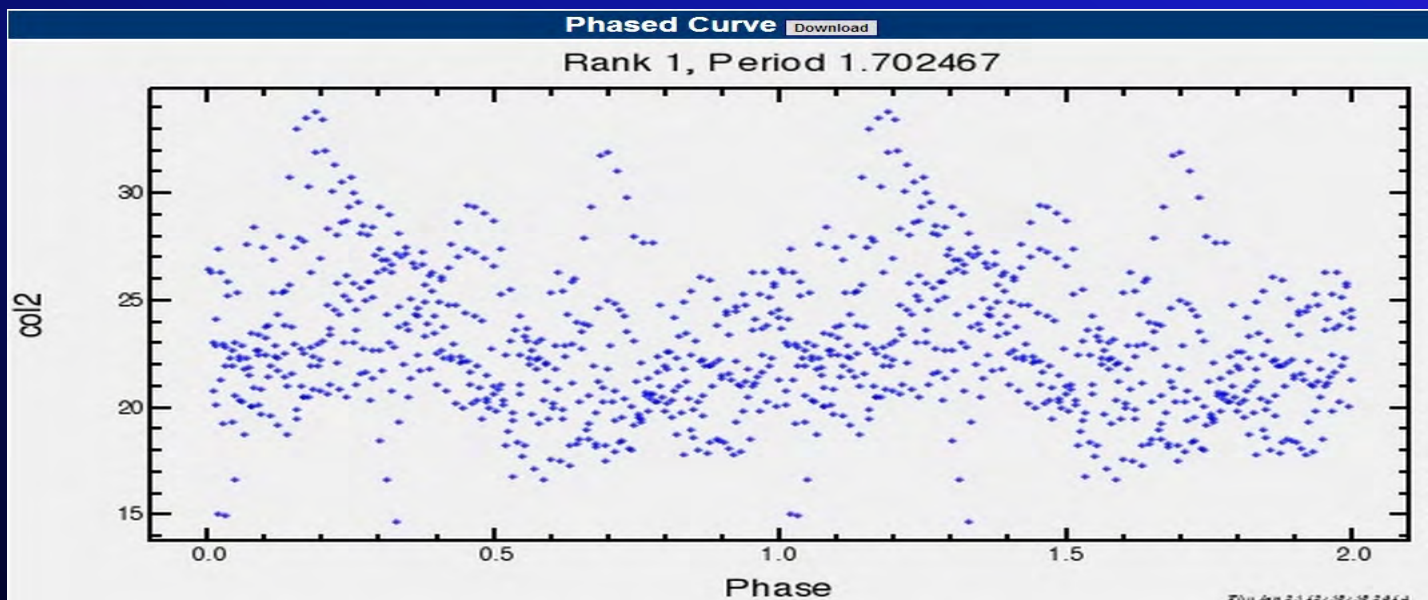
Conversión de 3 a 2 dimensiones



Análisis de Fourier de un trazo



Most Significant Periods Download				
Rank	Period	Power	P-value	Link
1	1.702467	33.395083	1.50768e-11	Phased curve
2	0.955544	23.146046	4.30072e-07	Phased curve
3	4.997324	21.185451	3.05504e-06	Phased curve



Frecuencia de Resonancia de Un Telescopio

Frecuencia de Resonancia

Es la frecuencia a la cual un telescopio vibra debido a fuerzas externas como el viento o golpes.

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Dennis DiCicco y Rick Hendrick

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El telescopio de 0.7 m de Plane Wave

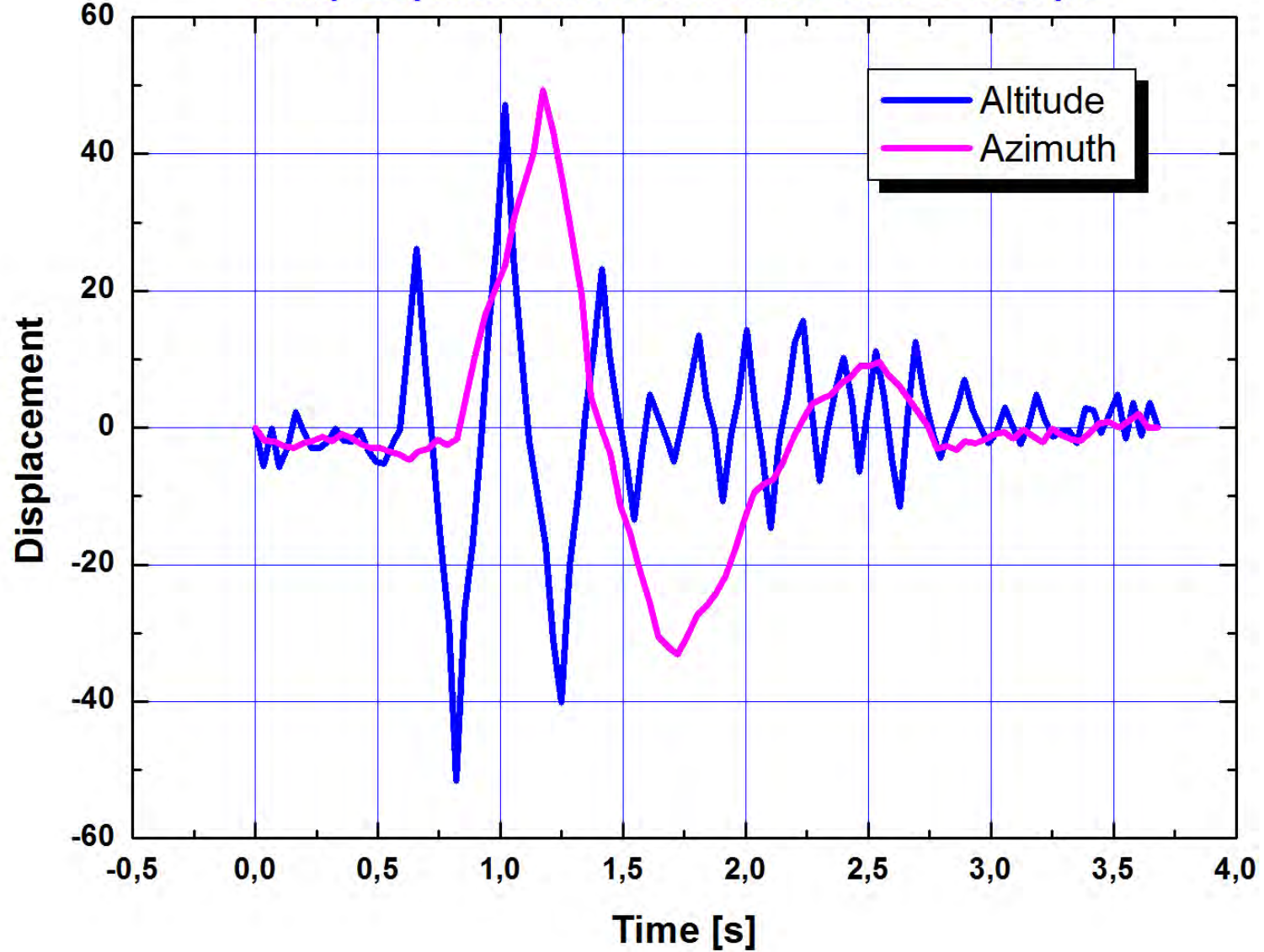
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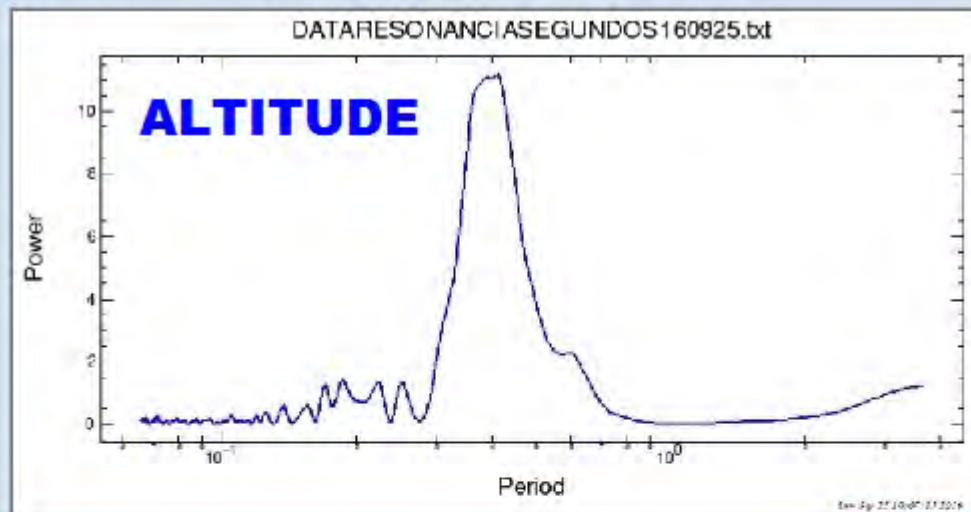
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Bump Displacement of 0.7 m Plane Wave Telescope



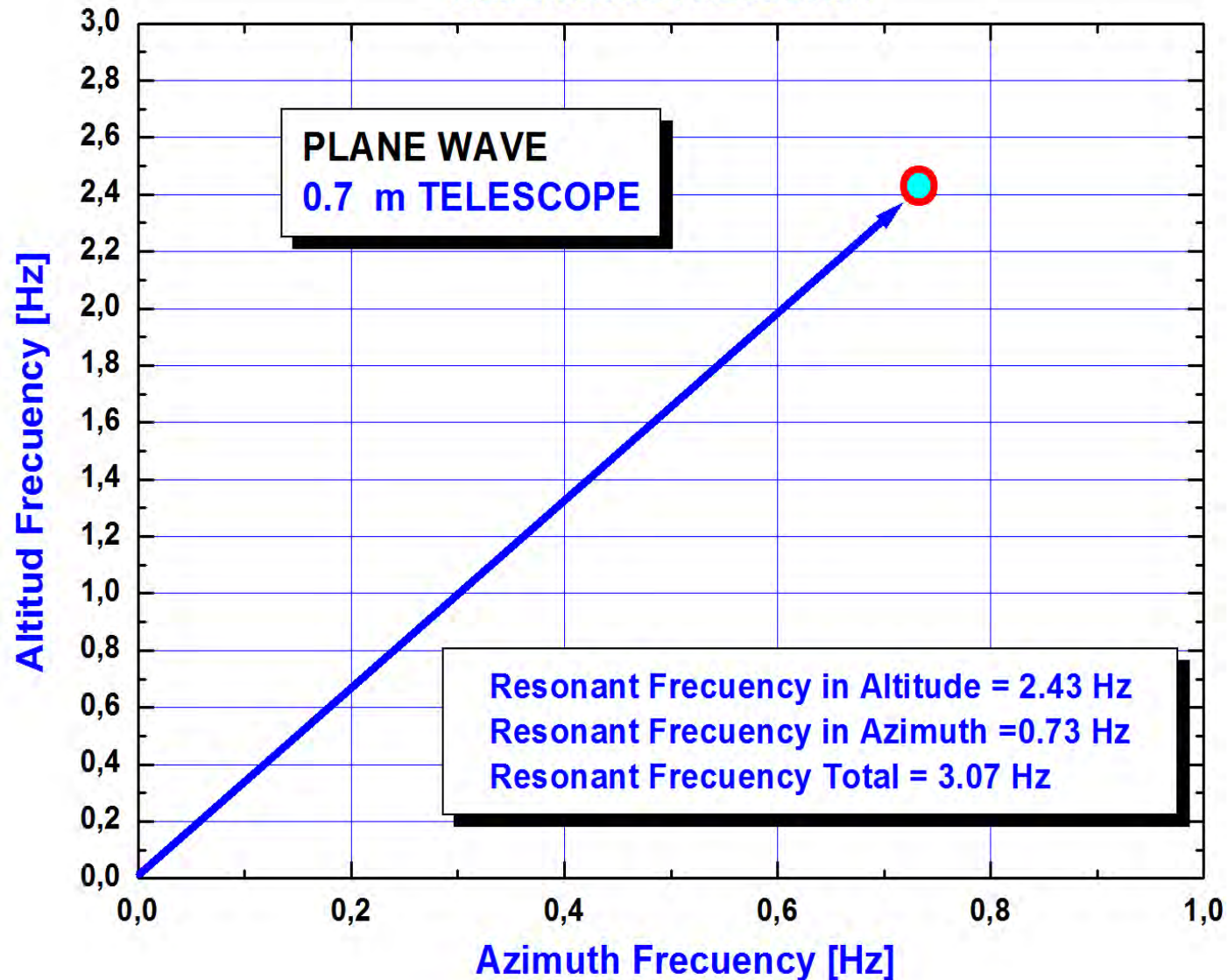
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