
Mauna Loa Solar Observatory Observer's Log

Sun Sep 18 17:21:16 GMT 2011

Year: 11 Doy: 261

Observer: koon

WEATHER COMMENT: Sun Sep 18 17:21:44 GMT 2011

Clear sky, wind=20 mph from the SSE, temp=50F.

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Sun Sep 18 17:30:51 GMT 2011 MKIV Start Patrol

Sun Sep 18 17:31:00 GMT 2011 H-ALPHA Start Patrol

Sun Sep 18 17:31:25 GMT 2011 CHIP Start Patrol

Sun Sep 18 17:43:24 GMT 2011: PSPT Start Patrol

Sun Sep 18 17:52:19 GMT 2011 COMP Start Patrol

****COMP PROBLEM COMMENT BY DARRYL**:** Sun Sep 18 17:37:17 GMT 2011

The focus curve since Friday today doesn't show a nice bell curve, the curve is high at the left and then turns into the right half of the normal focus curve around 81,000 (normal value). tried cycling power to Newport Motion Controller w/o any change, multiple focus runs don't change anything. Will run it for a while then stop and test focus again.

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Sun Sep 18 17:59:27 GMT 2011 COMP End Patrol

Sun Sep 18 18:01:44 GMT 2011 CHIP LSD

Sun Sep 18 18:03:13 GMT 2011 CHIP End LSD

Sun Sep 18 18:03:26 GMT 2011 CHIP BiasLSD

Sun Sep 18 18:04:23 GMT 2011 CHIP End BiasLSD

Sun Sep 18 18:04:32 GMT 2011 CHIP Bias

Sun Sep 18 18:05:17 GMT 2011 CHIP End Bias

Sun Sep 18 18:05:30 GMT 2011 CHIP ReStart Patrol

Sun Sep 18 18:06:31 GMT 2011 MKIV End Patrol

Sun Sep 18 18:06:36 GMT 2011 MKIV Start Cal

Sun Sep 18 18:22:21 GMT 2011 COMP Start Patrol

****COMP PROBLEM COMMENT BY DARRYL**:** Sun Sep 18 18:22:12 GMT 2011

Stopped cookbook tried focus, still weird looking, stopped program, closed COMP observing program and brought it up again, still only have high plateau on left side of curve and right side looks good. Will run cookbook I set the focus at 81000 which looks normal, will keep investigating after one Cookbook cycle.

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Sun Sep 18 18:25:56 GMT 2011 MKIV End Cal

Sun Sep 18 18:26:06 GMT 2011 MKIV Start Patrol

Sun Sep 18 21:13:34 GMT 2011 COMP End Patrol

Sun Sep 18 21:13:37 GMT 2011 COMP Start Patrol

Sun Sep 18 21:19:49 GMT 2011 COMP End Patrol

****COMP PROBLEM COMMENT BY DARRYL**:** Sun Sep 18 22:28:55 GMT 2011

Paused obs while I fixed the focus problem. I watched the focus mechanism run while doing a Focus routine, I could see the micrometer drive rod leave the reference stop during part of the routine. I set the Focus position at the lower end of the normal graph (~75000) using the Occulting routine input field, then I went back to COMP upstairs to see the gap I wanted to eliminate. The focusing mechanism wasn't springing all the way up to the fixed push point reference because it was bumping into the filter. The filter stage has 2 set screws that seemed too loose, so I think the filter slipped a little over time. The back end of the filter stage was aligned with the 80 cm mark on the optical rail, but I could see a pencil mark around the 79.85 mark so I moved the filter forward to that position (about 1.5 mm toward O1) and tightened those 2 setscrews on the optical rail. That gave a little more travel than I needed so I think it is set very well for normal focus range. I tested the focus routine and the curve looks great, back to obs.

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Sun Sep 18 22:45:17 GMT 2011 COMP Start Patrol

Sun Sep 18 23:02:44 GMT 2011 CHIP LSD

Sun Sep 18 23:04:14 GMT 2011 CHIP End LSD

Sun Sep 18 23:04:23 GMT 2011 CHIP BiasLSD

Sun Sep 18 23:05:11 GMT 2011 CHIP End BiasLSD

Sun Sep 18 23:05:24 GMT 2011 CHIP Bias

Sun Sep 18 23:06:07 GMT 2011 CHIP End Bias

Sun Sep 18 23:06:19 GMT 2011 CHIP ReStart Patrol
NOTE BY DARRYL: Sun Sep 18 23:08:34 GMT 2011
Lost dome tracking, repointed dome.

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Mon Sep 19 01:33:34 GMT 2011 COMP End Patrol
Mon Sep 19 01:33:37 GMT 2011 COMP Start Patrol
Mon Sep 19 01:58:46 GMT 2011: PSPT Abort Patrol
Mon Sep 19 01:59:37 GMT 2011 CHIP End Patrol
Mon Sep 19 02:00:21 GMT 2011 COMP End Patrol
Mon Sep 19 02:00:50 GMT 2011 MKIV End Patrol
Mon Sep 19 02:00:52 GMT 2011 H-ALPHA End Patrol
Mon Sep 19 02:20:06 GMT 2011
MkIV

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