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The Book of Abstracts contains abstracts of presentations to the International Conference “Actual Questions of Ground-based Observational Astronomy” to be held in Mykolaiv, Ukraine, on September 26-29, 2016. Methods and technical means of ground-based observations, IVOA role in modern research and actual problems of ground-based astronomy are presented.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The International Conference “Actual Questions of Ground-based Observational Astronomy” (MAO195) will be held in Research Institute “Mykolaiv Astronomical Observatory”, Mykolaiv, Ukraine on September 26-29, 2016.

The conference is organized to discuss methods and technical means of ground-based observations, IVOA role in modern research, actual problems of ground-based astronomy as well as history of astronomical research. Working languages are English, Ukrainian and Russian.

Main Topics of the Workshop:

- Methods, technical means and software for ground-based observations and data processing.
- Use of IVOA technologies for solution of modern astronomical problems.
- Results of data processing for ground-based observations.
- History of astronomical research.

Information about Participants:

- General number of registered participants – 48;
- General number of represented organizations – 22;
- Number of submitted papers – 38;
- Number of authors of submitted papers – 84.

EFFECT OF THE REFERENCE CATALOG SYSTEM TO THE ASTEROID POSITIONS OF MPC DATA BASE

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The results of analysis MPC asteroid positions are presented. The database contains asteroid positions were obtained with about 50 reference catalogues by different observers. The problems of star systematic errors and astrometric weighting are discussed with using observations of the 12 selected asteroids. The observational series for these asteroids include 30-year period obtained with Zone Astrograph in Mykolaiv during 1960-1990. The residuals $(O - C)_{\alpha,\delta}$ of the selected asteroids has shown significant linear trends that change with using catalog bias corrections.

ASTRONOMICAL WEB SERVICES OF UKRVO

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Ukraine Virtual Observatory (UkrVO) has been a member of the International Virtual Observatory Alliance (IVOA) since 2011. The virtual observatory (VO) is not a magic solution to all problems of data storing and processing, but it provides us standards for building infrastructure of astronomical data centre. Astronomical databases facilitate data mining and provide users an easy access to observation metadata, images within celestial sphere and results of image processing. Astronomical web services (AWS) of UkrVO provide users handy data selection from a large astronomical catalogues for a relatively small region of interest in the sky. Examples of the AWS usage are given.

Ground-based and space telescopes have produced large volume of data over entire electromagnetic spectrum. In 2010, the Executive Committee of IVOA formally endorsed a note describing technical architecture to deal with all accumulated data resources. Interoperability of computer systems is one of the main concepts behind the technical

architecture to share and use astronomical data and metadata. The IVOA technical architecture consists of three main layers, namely user layer, VO core layer, resource layer. The VO core as the middle layer provides quick and easy access to the resources wherever they are located. The AWS allow users to obtain access to the resources, distributed across five continents, thanks to the interoperability between different astronomical archives and data centers. Simple cone search is one of many data access protocols, which provides the interoperability.

The AWS of UkrVO have successfully passed 30 regular checks out of 36 since November 2012. Most failures were caused by communication errors between servers in Ukraine and the USA.

The UkrVO image servers in Mykolaiv and Kyiv allow the user to get access to databases of observations, conducted with photo plates and CCD, via a web browser or a desktop application by using different graphical user interfaces.

PHOTOMETRIC OBSERVATIONS OF SELECTED ASTEROIDS ON TELESCOPE KT-50 OF MOBITEL COMPLEX OF RI NAO

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The results of asteroid observations performed on the telescope KT-50 (Mobitel, RI NAO) during 2014-2016 were presented. Asteroids were selected from the infrared survey NEOWISE, moving objects catalog SDSS MOC-3 and MPC database. Selected asteroids have a relatively high albedo ($pV > 0.2$) and are located in the outer part of the Main Belt (semi-major axis $a > 0.28$). The moments of opposition of the selected asteroids were obtained from HORIZONS service. The program of observations evenly covers the entire range of possible phase angles. The observations were made with filter close to the R standard band of Johnson-Cousins system. More than 1000 images were received. The instrumental magnitude of the selected asteroids and reference stars were computed. The standard deviations (RMS) of the measurements of instrumental magnitude for a 12-15.5^m reference stars are in range of 0.01-0.03^m. The lightcurves and phase dependencies were obtained for some asteroids.