

# Meteor spectra 2024

## Overview

This is a collection of meteor spectra obtained at Maienfeld (station MAI\_2, <http://www.meteorastronomie.ch/stationen.html>)

Setup:

Camera: **DMK 33GX249**

Resolution 1920x1200

Frame Rate: 25 Hz

Sensor Type Sony IMX249LLJ-C

Sensor Format 1/1.2 inch

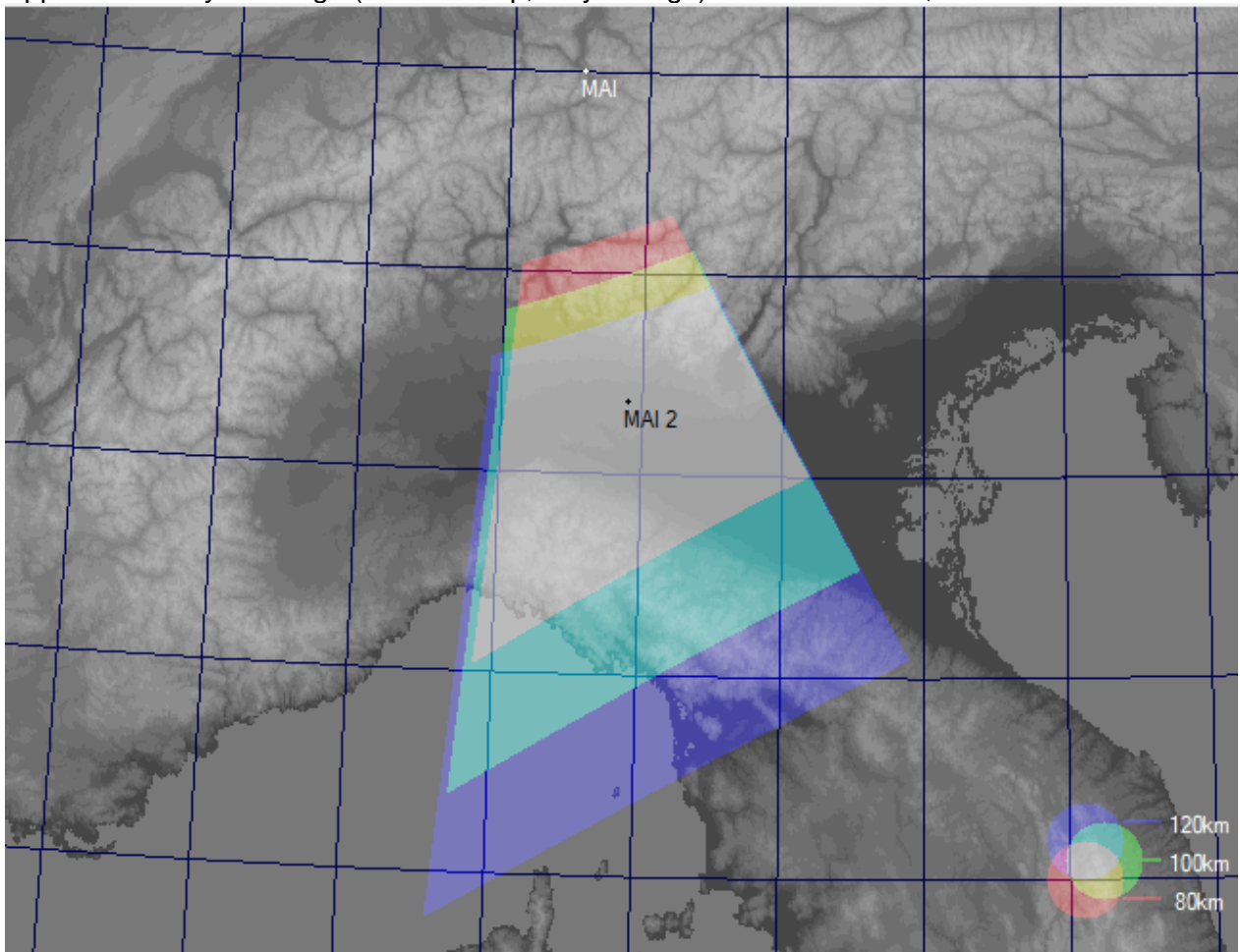
Pixel Size **5.86  $\mu\text{m}$**

### Lens

Kowa LM16HC f: 16mm F/1.4

Field of view horizontal: 39°

Approximate sky coverage (mobile setup, may change) for elevation 37°, Azimuth 170°



Grating: Thorlabs 600l/mm, dispersion: 0.598 nm/pixel

Spectra analysed with Python M\_SPEC.py.

1<sup>st</sup> order spectra were further analysed by fitting synthetic meteor spectra to the observed spectra

(<https://meteorspectroscopy.org/2022/03/08/synthetic-meteor-spectra/>).

In addition, meteors were recorded with a Watec 902H2 ultimate, equipped with a wide angle lens: Tamron VG412 ASIR at  $f \cong 4\text{mm}$ , MAI\_1.

M20240112\_202632\_MAI\_2, spo, -2.9m

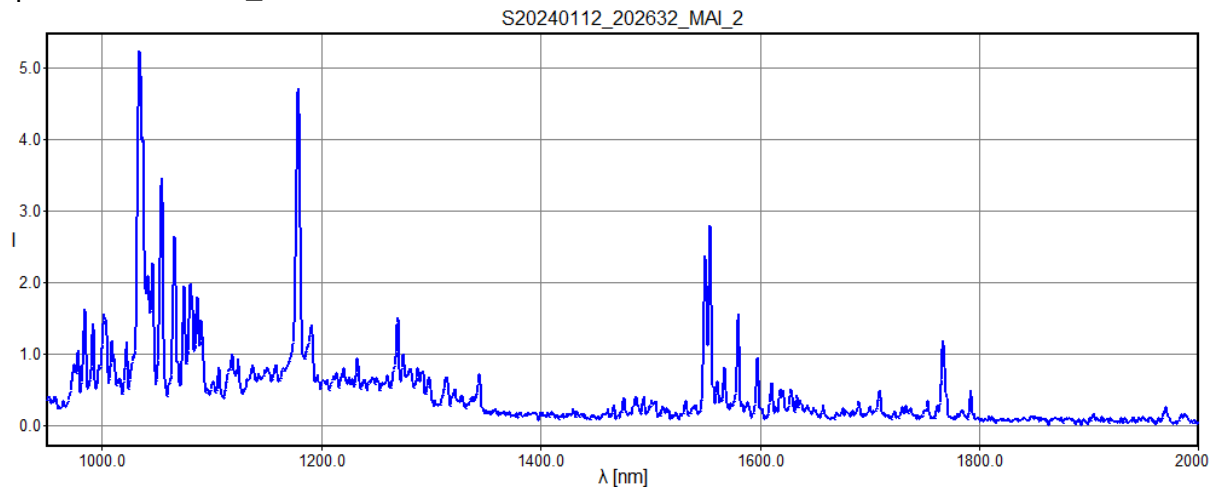


polynom for fit lambda c: [5.9786e-01 9.3960e+02]

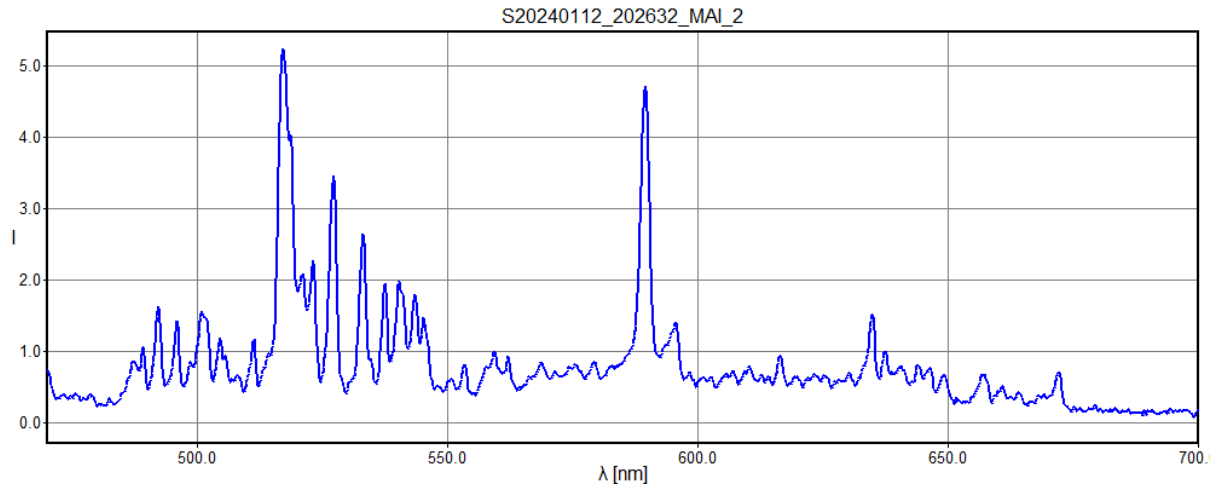
pixel	lambda	fit	error
158.42,	1035.00,	1034.32,	-0.6829
400.17,	1178.00,	1178.85,	0.8508
1383.64,	1767.00,	1766.83,	-0.1679

rms\_x = 0.6373

spectrum 240112\r\_add52cal.dat saved



2nd order converted to wavelength:



M20240204\_041032\_MAI\_2, spo, -2.9m

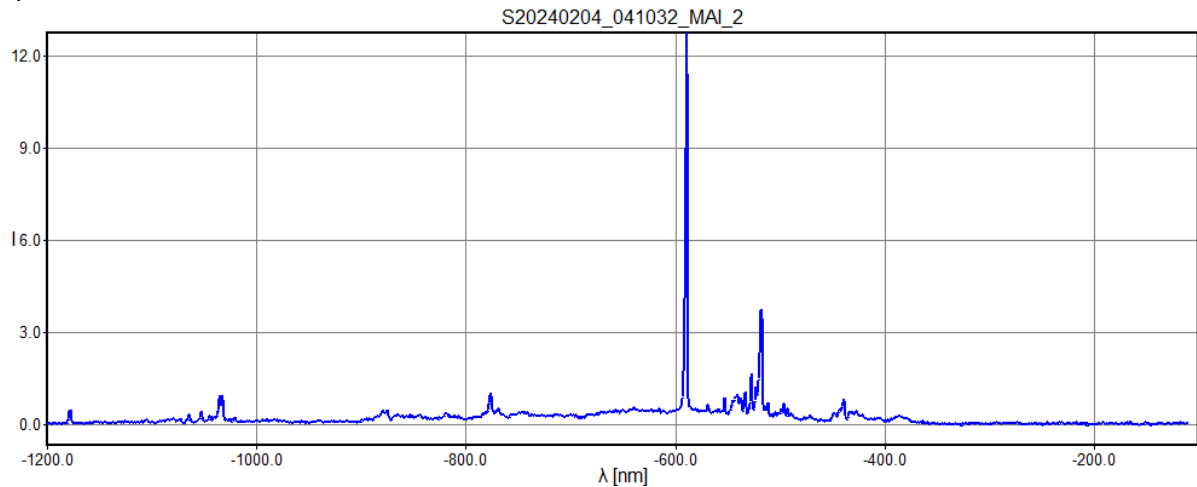


polynom for fit lambda c: [ 5.978e-01 -1.257e+03]

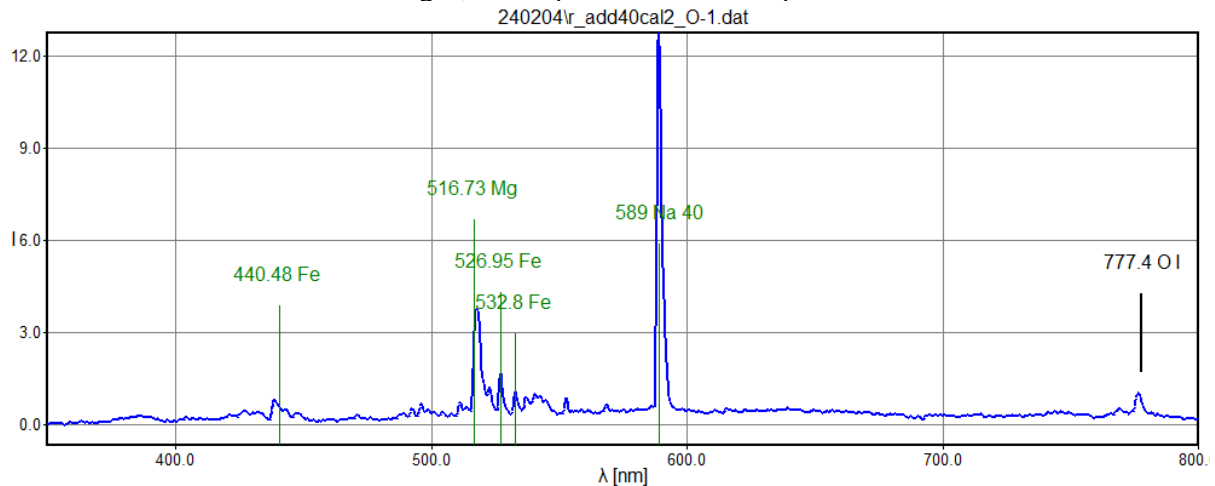
pixel	lambda	fit	error
1236.45	-517.50	-517.85	-0.3545
1117.11	-589.00	-589.20	-0.1965
803.83	-777.40	-776.48	0.9232
371.13	-1035.00	-1035.15	-0.1468
131.79	-1178.00	-1178.23	-0.2253

rms\_x = 0.4667

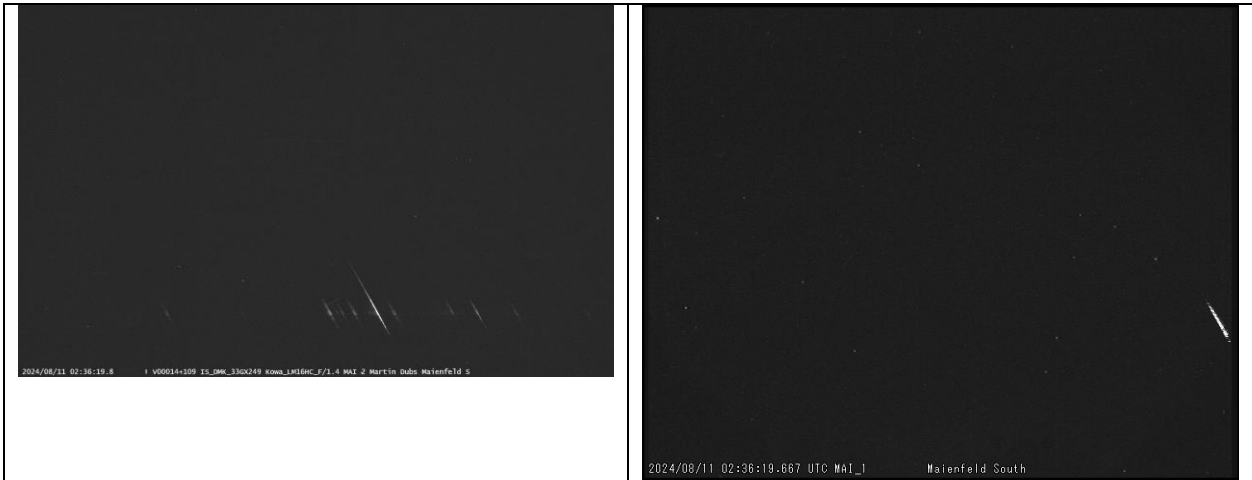
spectrum 240204\r\_add40cal.dat saved



-1st Order converted to wavelength, overlap with 3rd order spectrum:



M20240811\_023619\_MAI\_2, PER, -1.6m

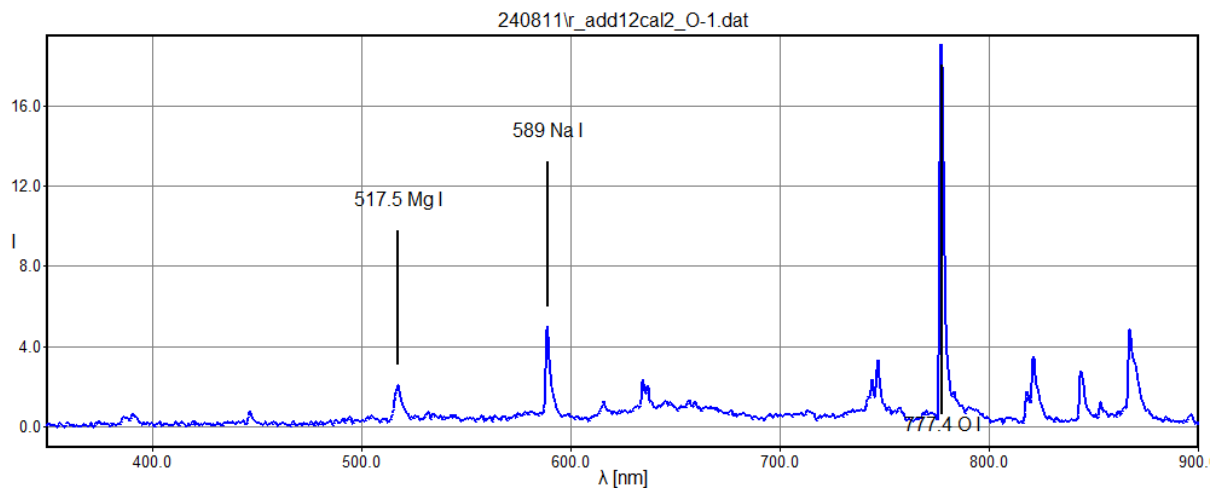
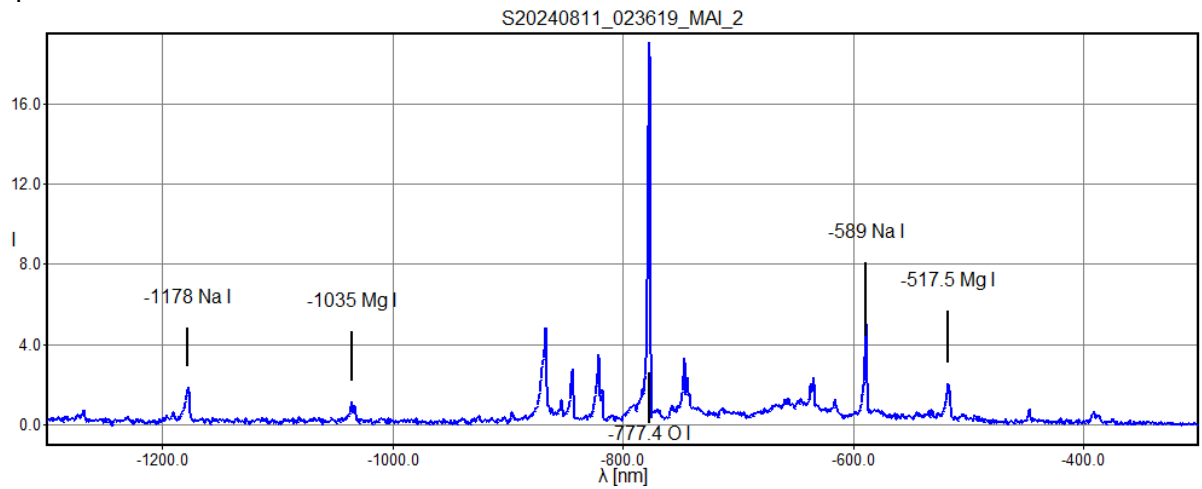


polynom for fit lambda c: [ 5.9641e-01 -1.4166e+03]

pixel	lambda	fit	error
1507.60,	-517.50,	-517.47,	0.0271
1387.72,	-589.00,	-588.97,	0.0293
1071.97,	-777.40,	-777.29,	0.1123
638.92,	-1035.00,	-1035.56,	-0.5637
400.76,	-1178.00,	-1177.61,	0.3950

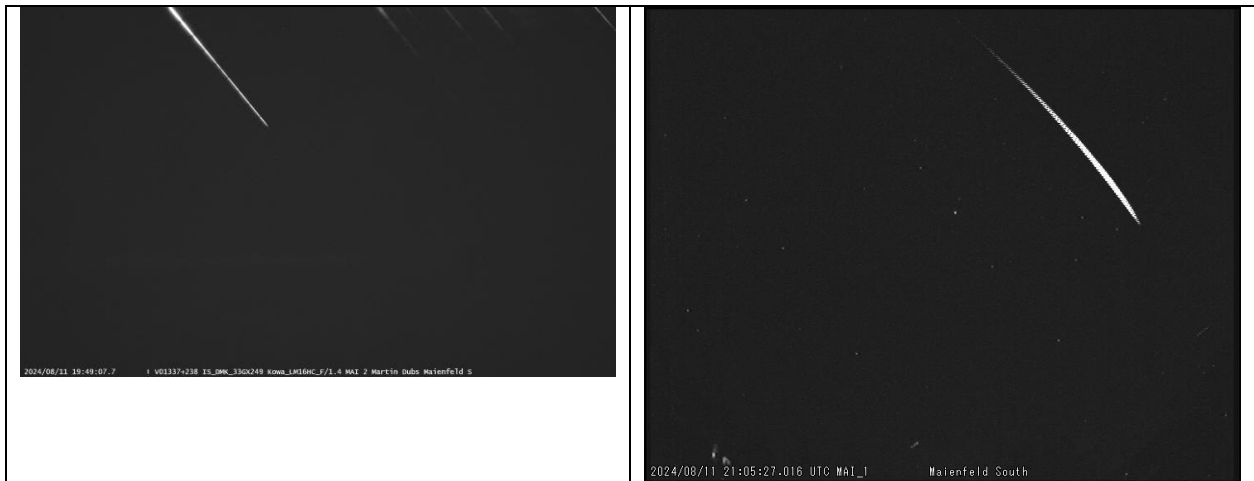
rms\_x = 0.3124

spectrum 240811\r\_add12cal.dat saved

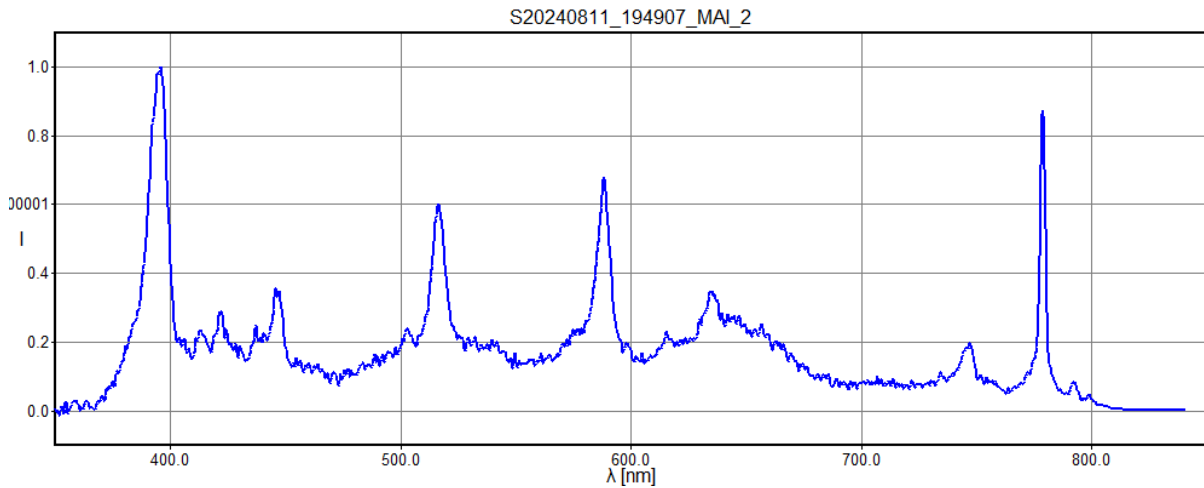
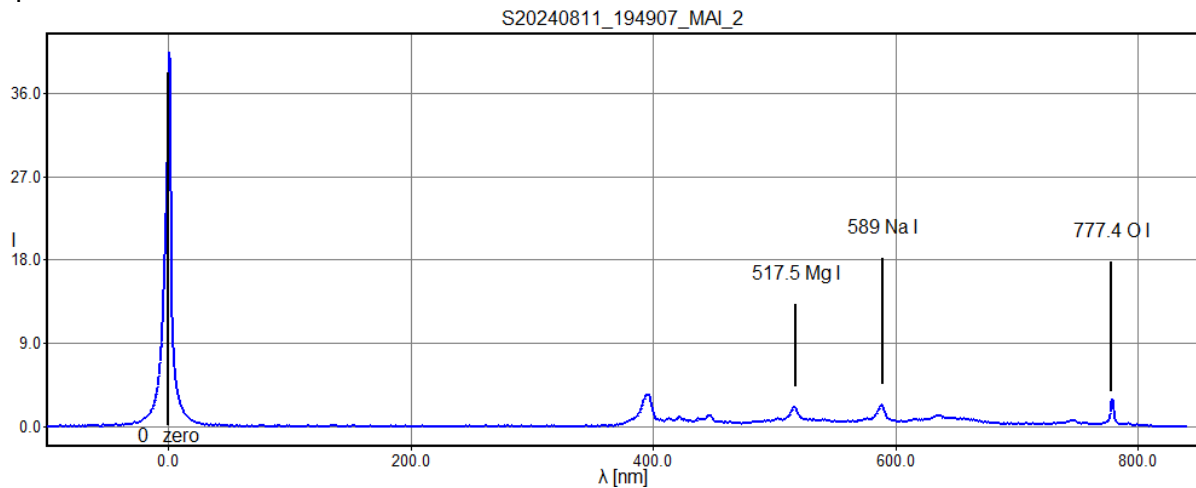


-1<sup>st</sup> order converted to wavelength

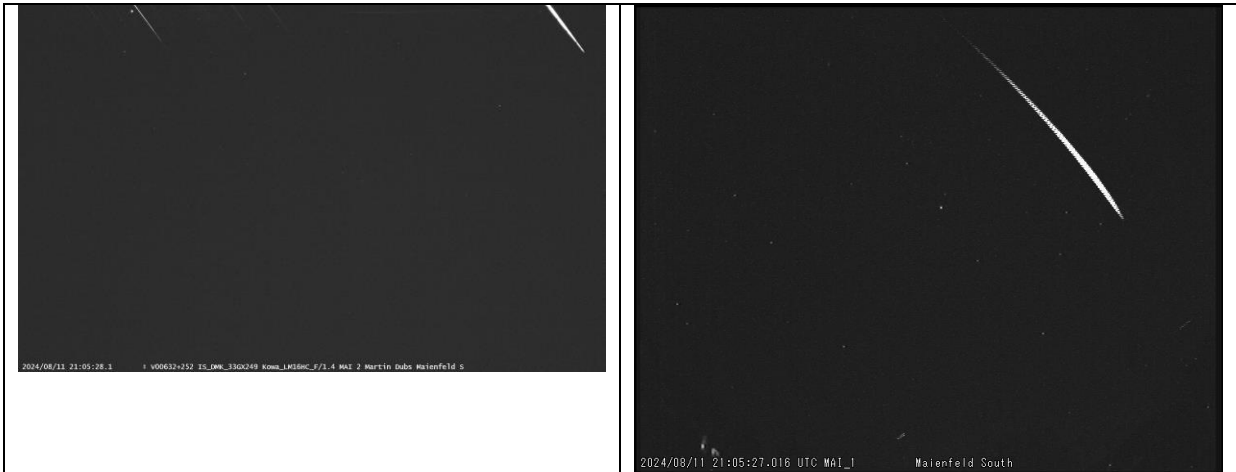
M20240811\_194907\_MAI\_2. PER, -3.6m



polynom for fit lambda c: [ 0.598 -305.4541]  
 pixel lambda fit error  
 511.78, 0.00, 0.60, 0.5983  
 1374.10, 517.50, 516.28, -1.2208  
 1494.43, 589.00, 588.24, -0.7616  
 1813.06, 777.40, 778.78, 1.3841  
 rms\_x = 1.0421  
 spectrum 240811\ra\_add9cal.dat saved



M20240811\_210528\_MAI\_2, PER, -4.2m

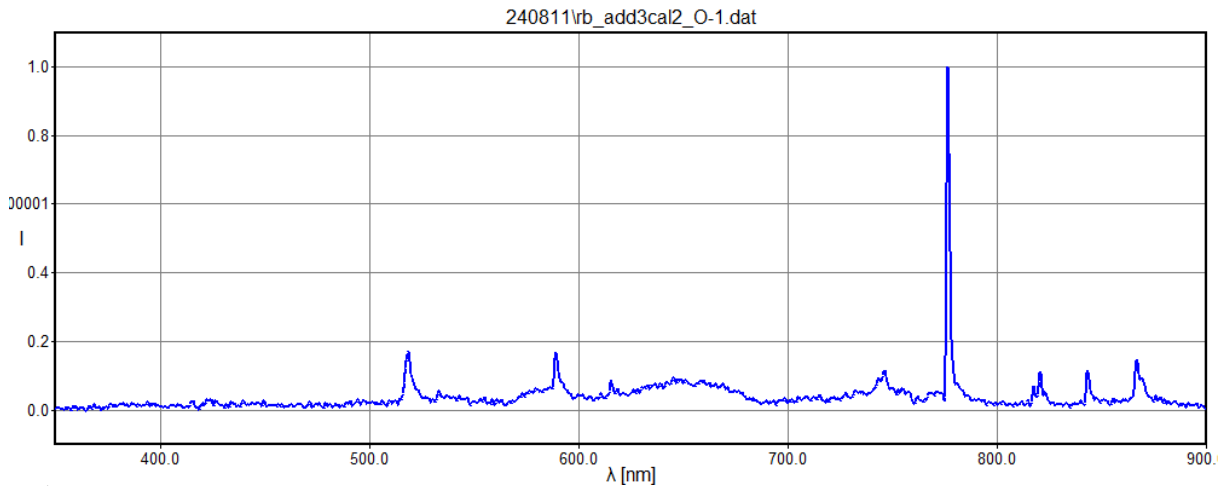
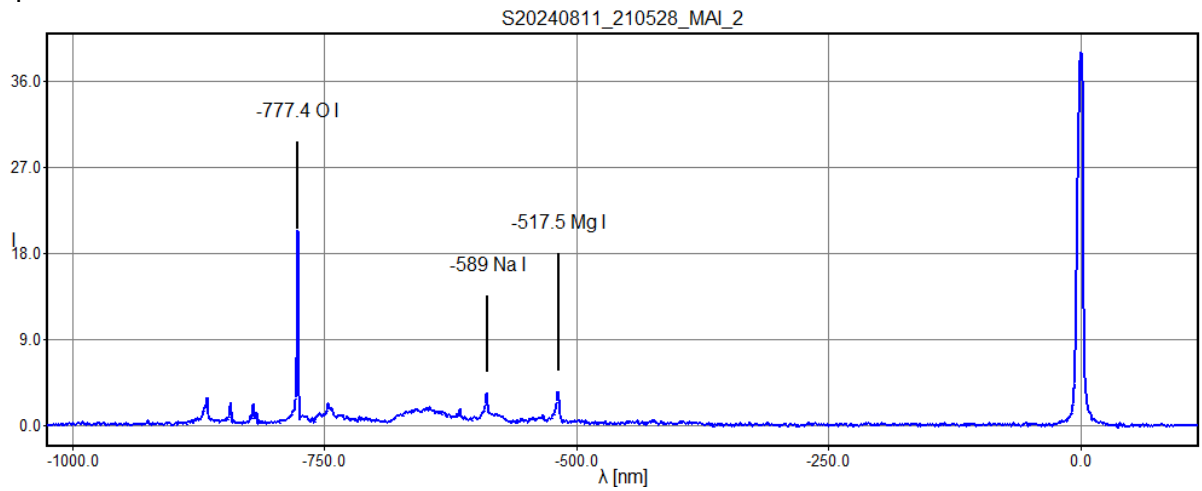


polynom for fit lambda c: [ 5.9732e-01 -1.0263e+03]

pixel	lambda	fit	error
1718.86	0.00	0.38	0.3841
850.19	-517.50	-518.49	-0.9871
731.75	-589.00	-589.23	-0.2333
418.13	-777.40	-776.56	0.8362

rms\_x = 0.6848

spectrum 240811\rb\_add3cal.dat saved



-1<sup>st</sup> order converted to wavelength

M20240812\_020100\_MAI\_2, PER, -3.0m

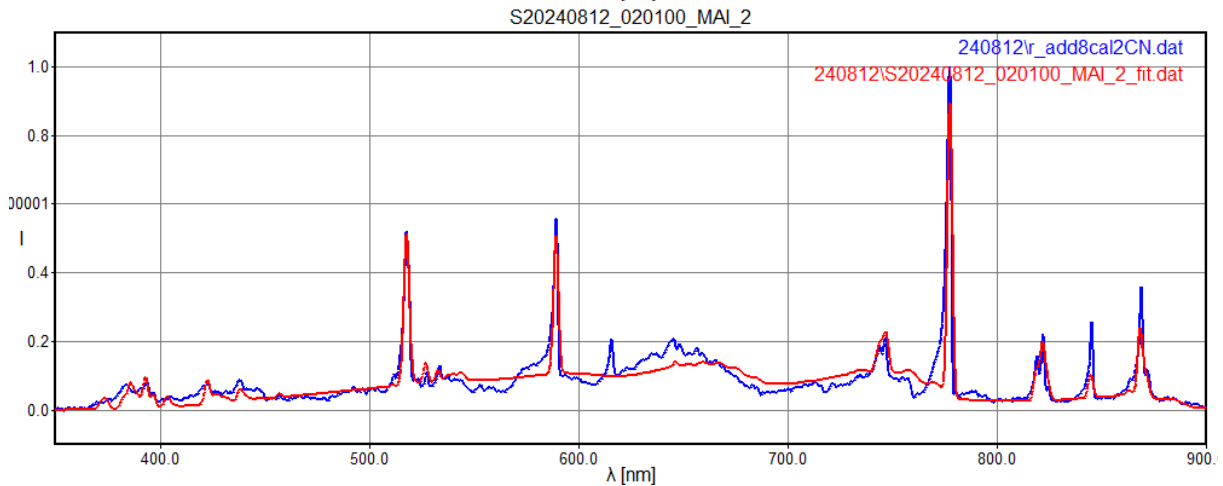
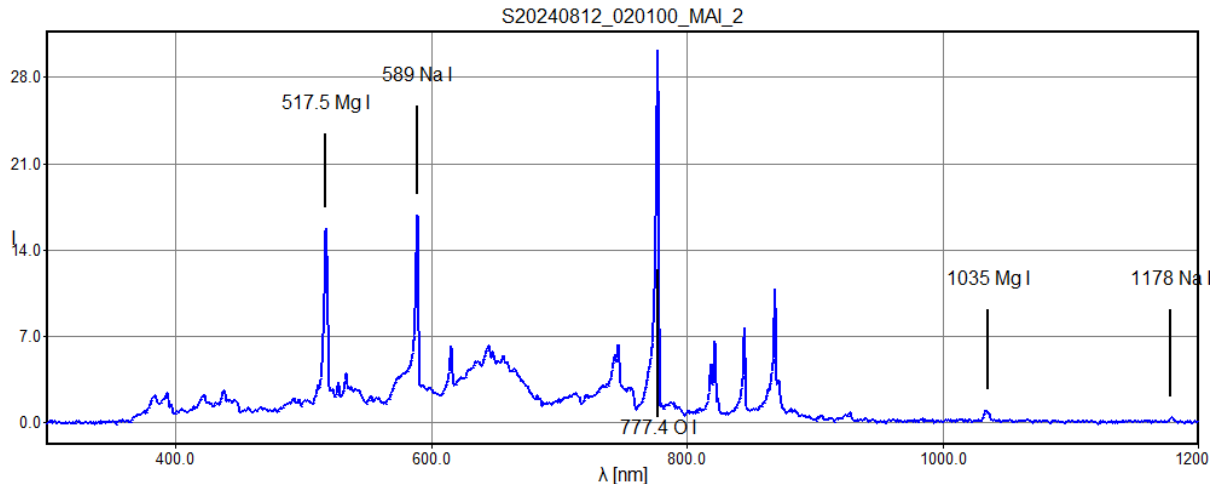


polynom for fit lambda c: [ 0.597 166.6224]

pixel	lambda	fit	error
588.40,	517.50,	517.87,	0.3729
707.76,	589.00,	589.13,	0.1259
1022.52,	777.40,	777.02,	-0.3754
1452.71,	1035.00,	1033.83,	-1.1698
1695.97,	1178.00,	1179.05,	1.0464

rms\_x = 0.7429

spectrum 240812\r\_add8cal.dat saved



M20240812\_022334\_MAI\_2, PER, -3.4m

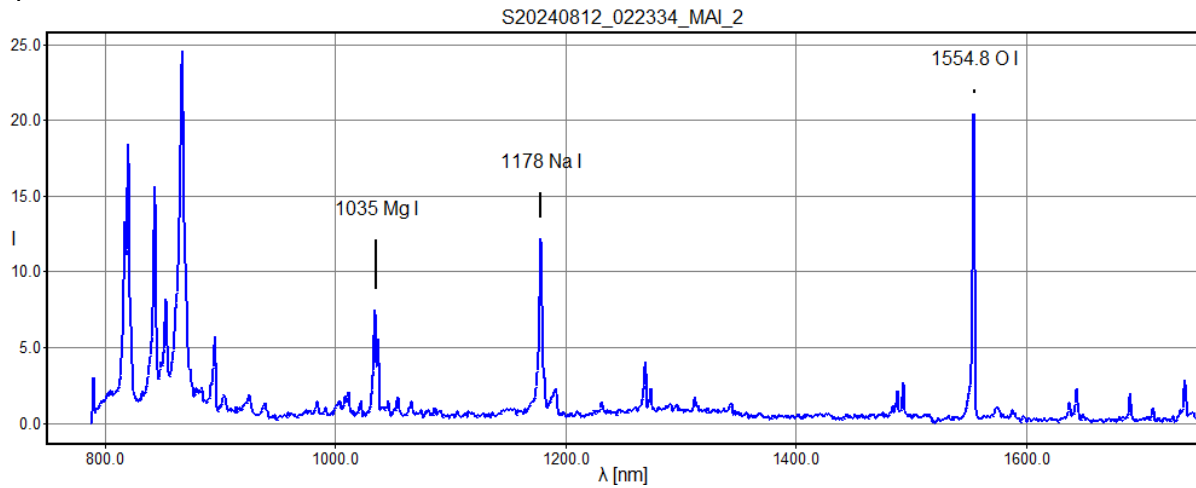


polynom for fit lambda c: [5.9674e-01 7.8787e+02]

pixel	lambda	fit	error
413.35	1035.00	1034.53	-0.4668
654.85	1178.00	1178.65	0.6457
1284.90	1554.80	1554.62	-0.1789

rms\_x = 0.4715

spectrum 240812\ra\_add8cal.dat saved



M20240812\_030155\_MAI\_2, PER, -3.0m

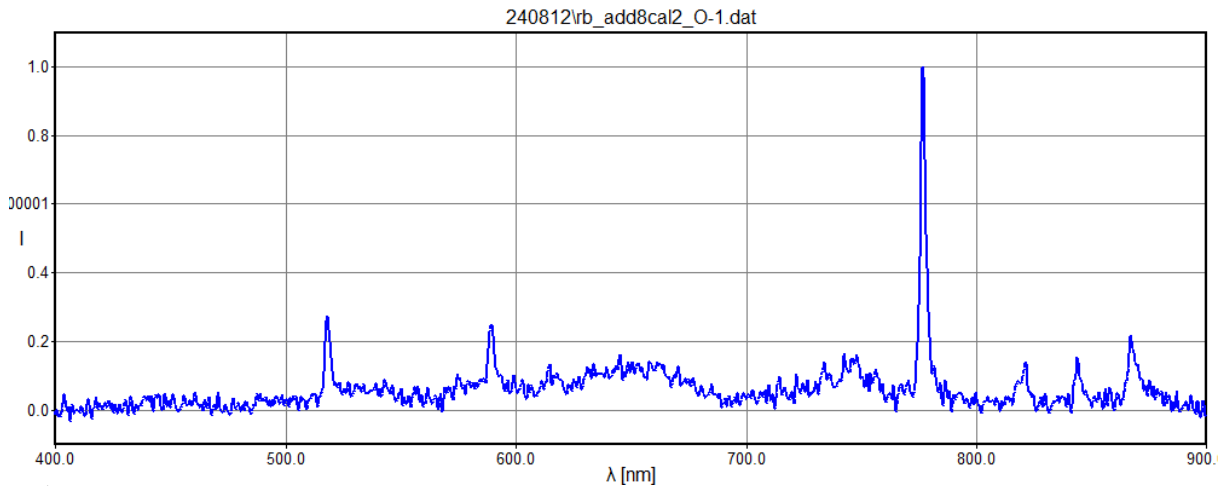
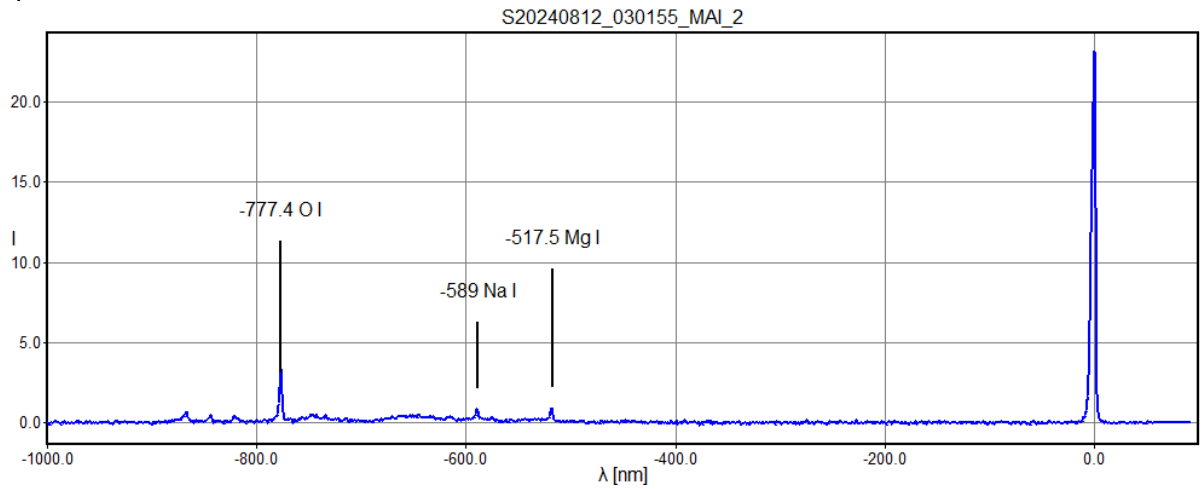


polynom for fit lambda c: [ 5.9404e-01 -1.0456e+03]

pixel	lambda	fit	error
1760.67,	0.00,	0.30,	0.2950
887.86,	-517.50,	-518.19,	-0.6893
768.20,	-589.00,	-589.27,	-0.2722
452.63,	-777.40,	-776.73,	0.6665

rms\_x = 0.5197

spectrum 240812\rb\_add8cal.dat saved



-1<sup>st</sup> order converted to wavelength

M20241107\_052501\_MAI\_2, spo, (-0.5m)

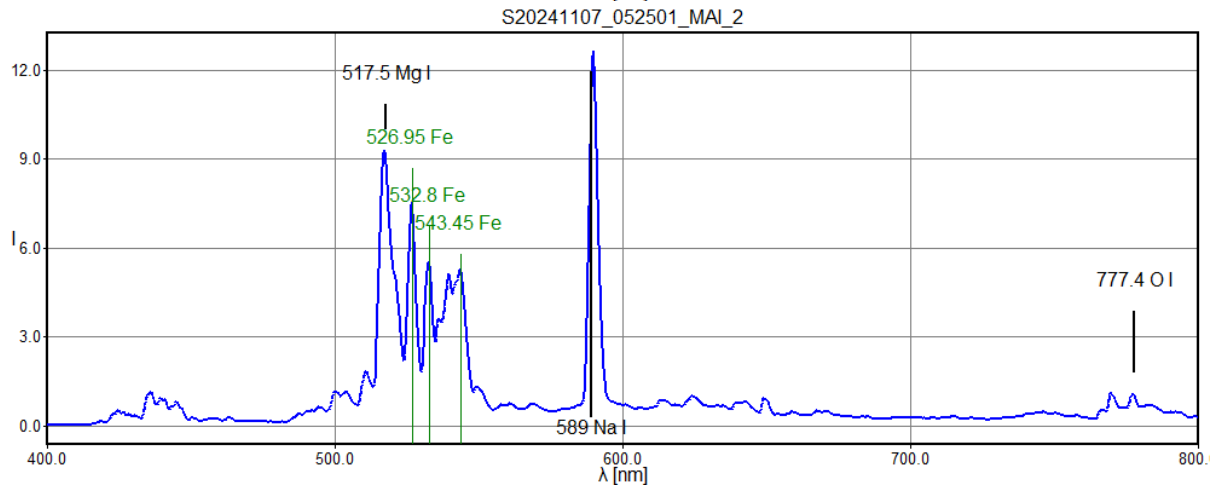
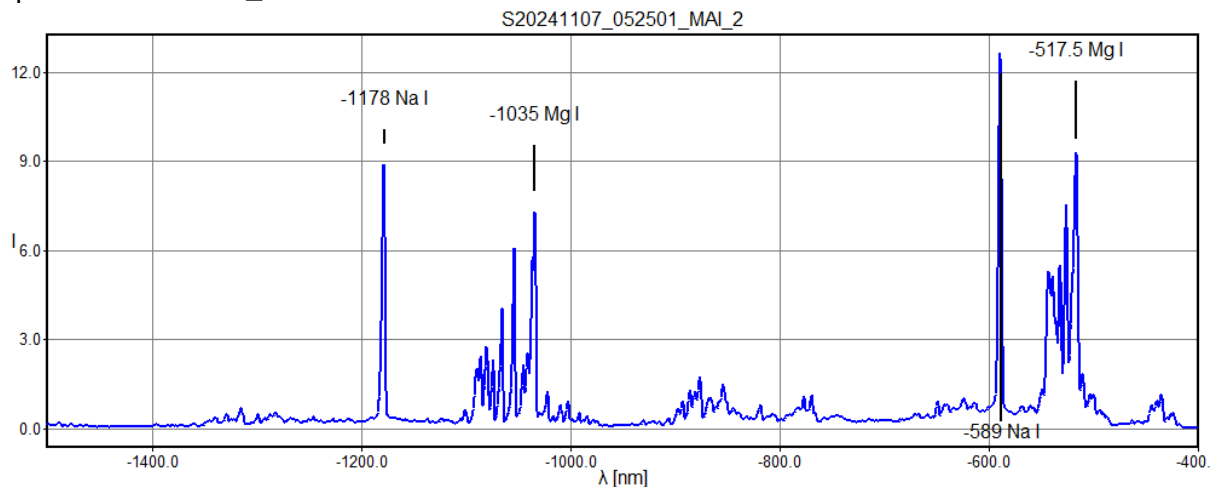


polynom for fit lambda c: [ 5.9672e-01 -1.5181e+03]

pixel	lambda	fit	error
1677.59,	-517.50,	-517.07,	0.4320
1555.92,	-589.00,	-589.67,	-0.6707
810.89,	-1035.00,	-1034.24,	0.7566
569.11,	-1178.00,	-1178.52,	-0.5179

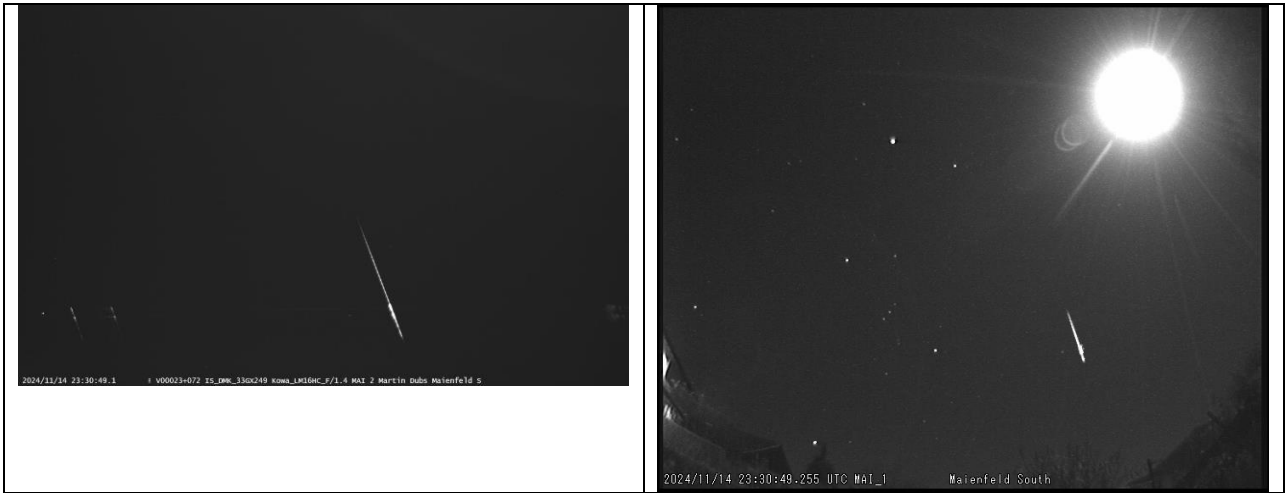
rms\_x = 0.6077

spectrum 241107\r\_add29cal.dat saved



-1<sup>st</sup> O converted to wavelength

M20241114\_233049\_MAI\_2, NTA, -2.3m

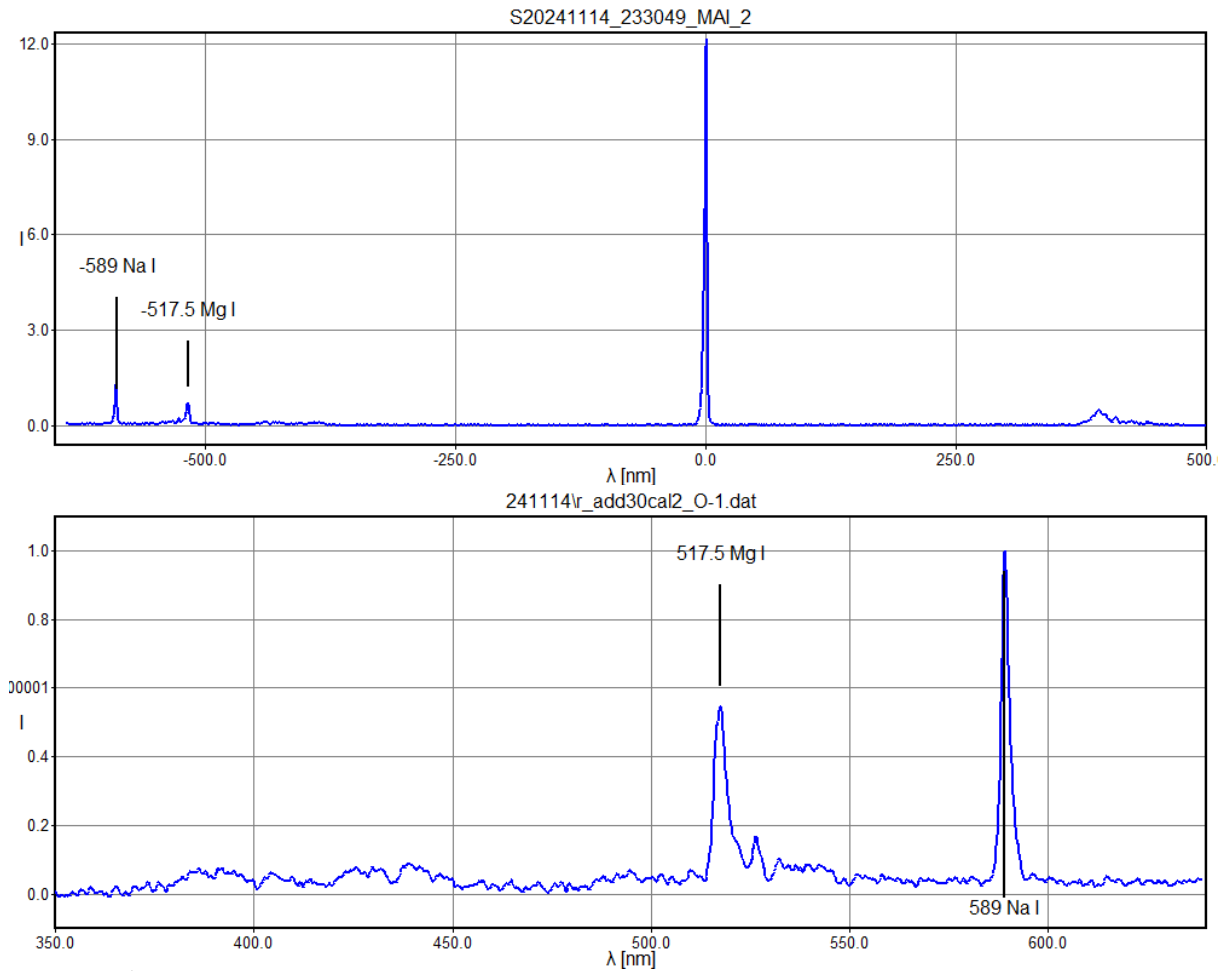


polynom for fit lambda c: [ 5.9672e-01 -6.4035e+02]

pixel	lambda	fit	error
1073.08,	0.00,	-0.02,	-0.0232
206.19,	-517.50,	-517.31,	0.1898
85.77,	-589.00,	-589.17,	-0.1667

rms\_x = 0.1465

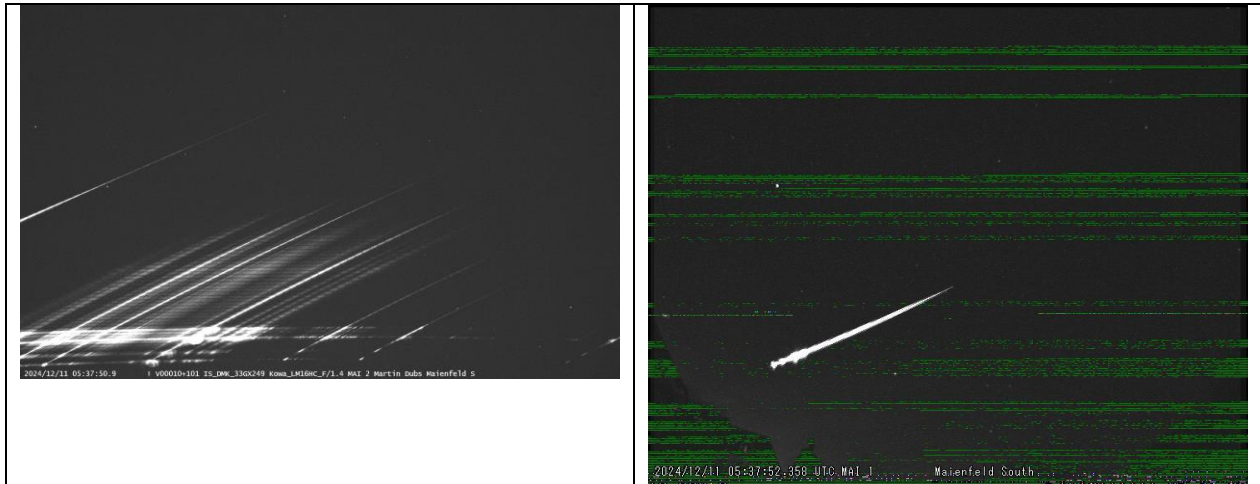
spectrum 241114\r\_add30cal.dat  
saved



- 1<sup>st</sup> Order converted to wavelength



M20241211\_053750\_MAI\_2, MON, -3.3m

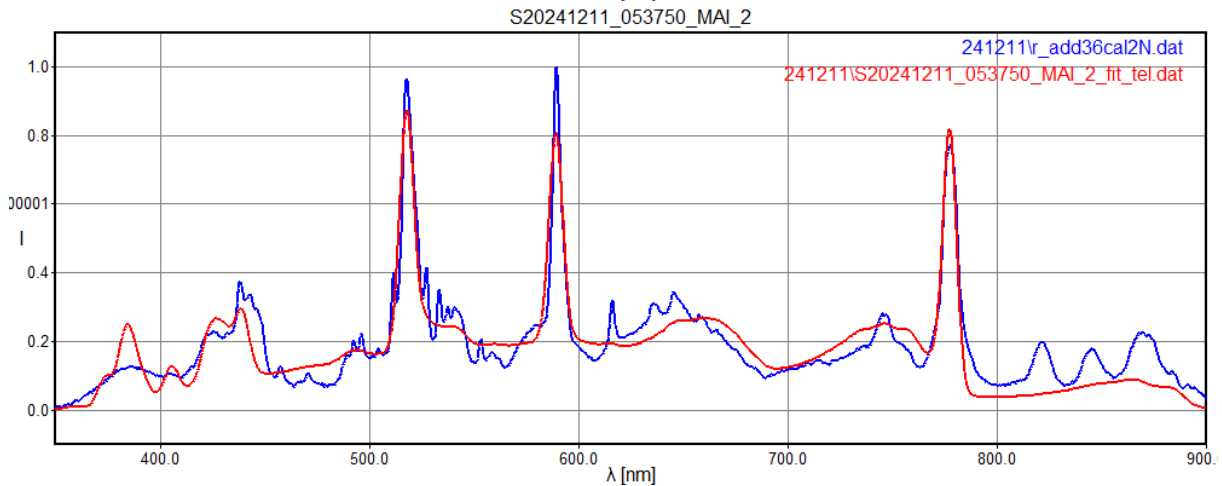
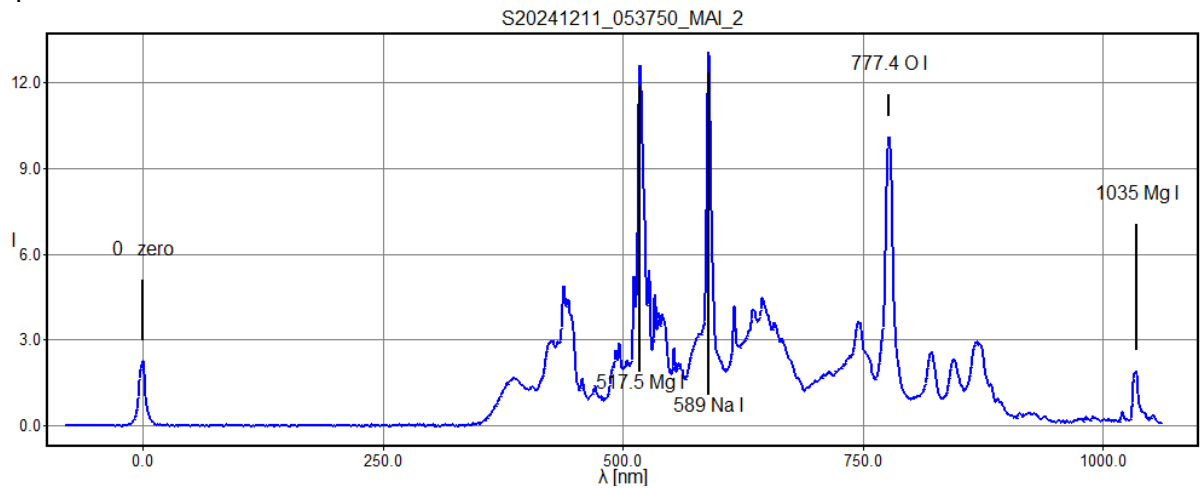


polynom for fit lambda c: [ 0.5973 -82.6455]

pixel	lambda	fit	error
137.71,	0.00,	-0.38,	-0.3847
1005.34,	517.50,	517.89,	0.3925
1125.08,	589.00,	589.42,	0.4190
1439.83,	777.40,	777.43,	0.0343
1870.24,	1035.00,	1034.54,	-0.4611

rms\_x = 0.3718

spectrum 241211\r\_add36cal.dat saved



Fit T\_el = 4500K

M20241211\_234131\_MAI\_2, GEM, -1.6m

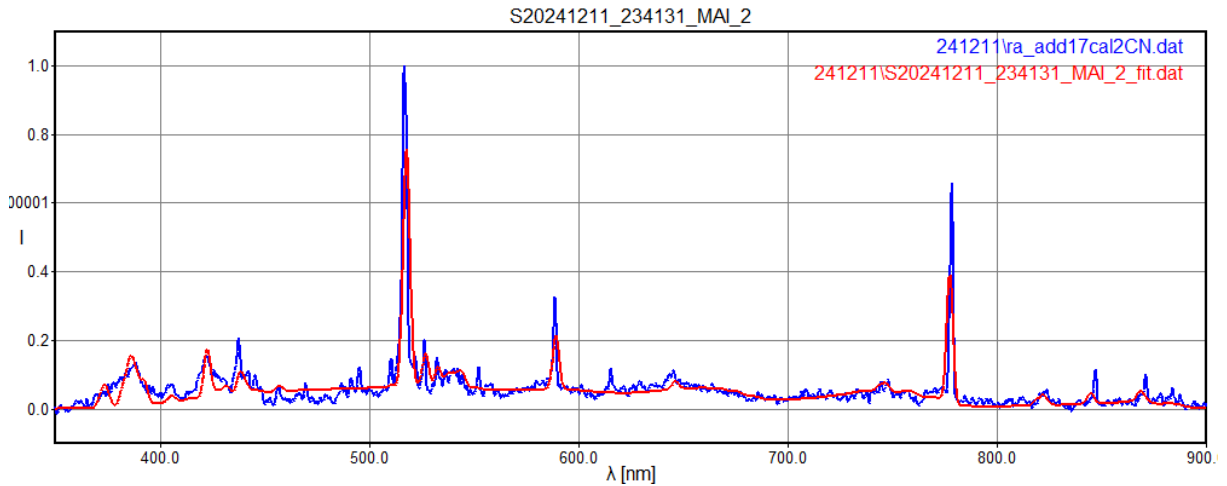
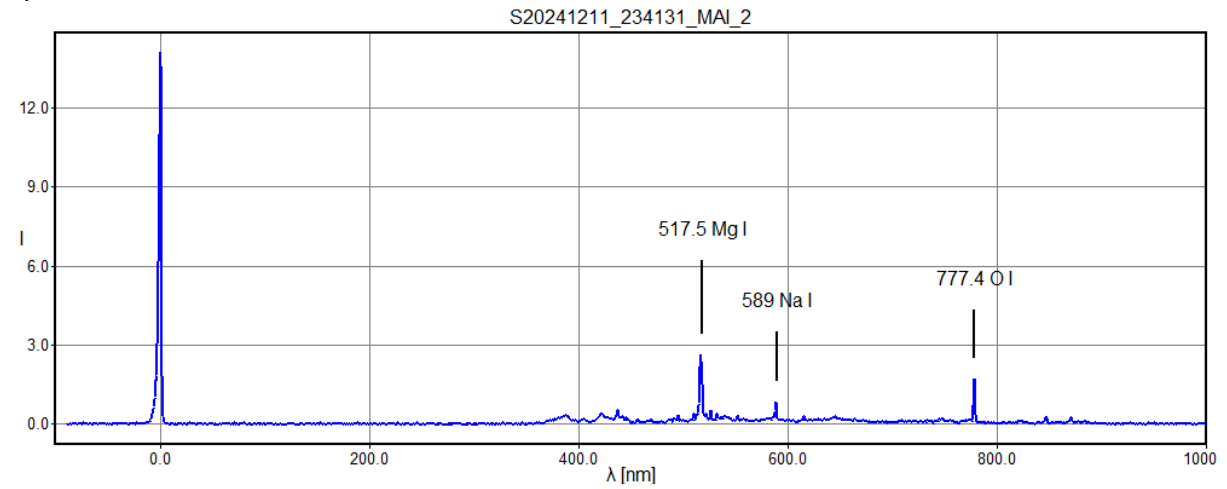


polynom for fit lambda c: [-3.3010e-06 6.0378e-01 -9.1495e+01]

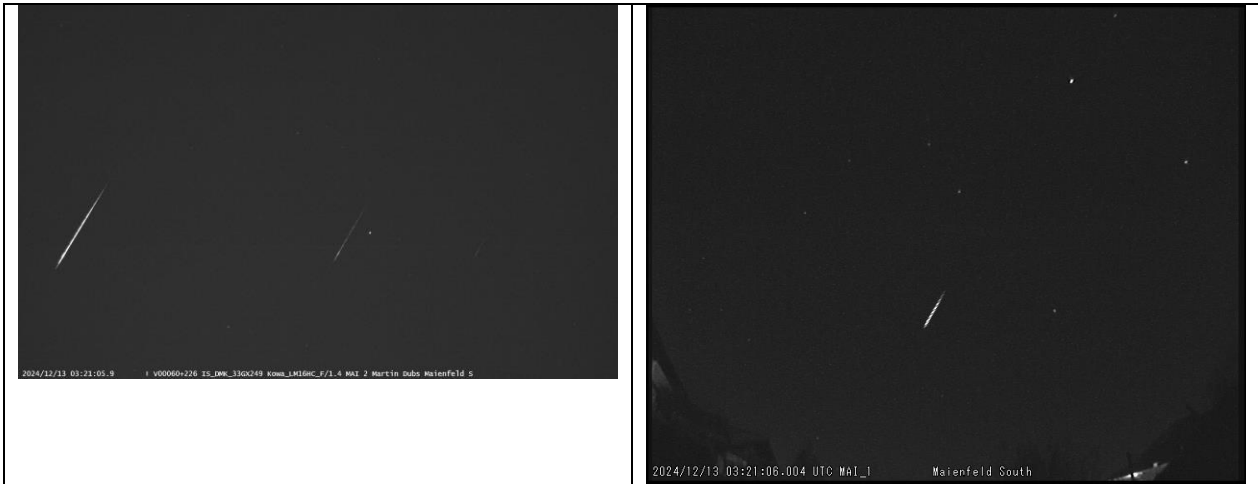
pixel	lambda	fit	error
151.66,	0.00,	-0.00,	-0.0017
1014.33,	517.50,	517.54,	0.0426
1134.00,	589.00,	588.95,	-0.0515
1450.61,	777.40,	777.41,	0.0107

rms\_x = 0.0338

spectrum 241211\ra\_add17cal.dat saved



M20241213\_032105\_MAI\_2, GEM, -2.2m

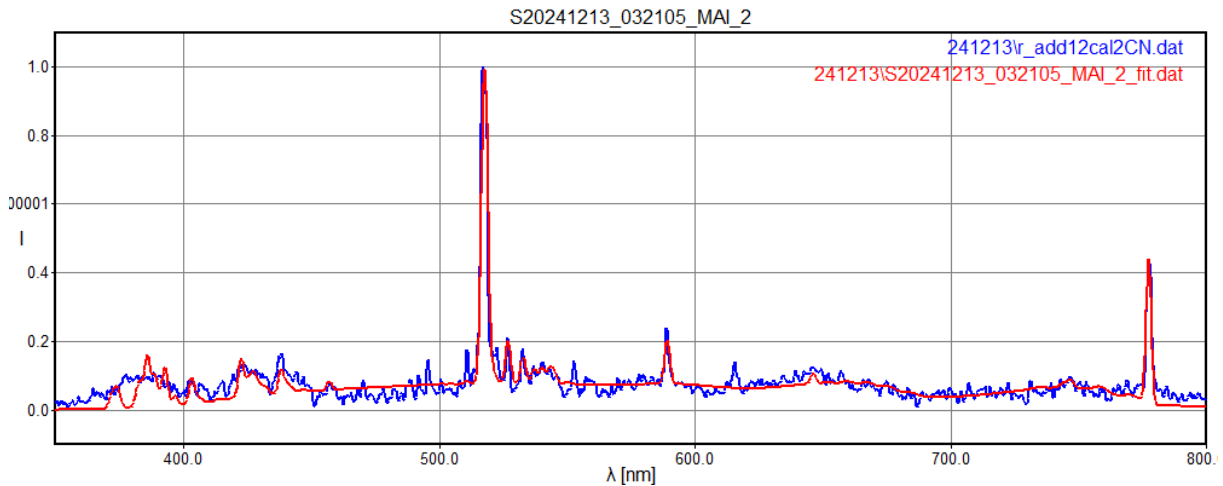
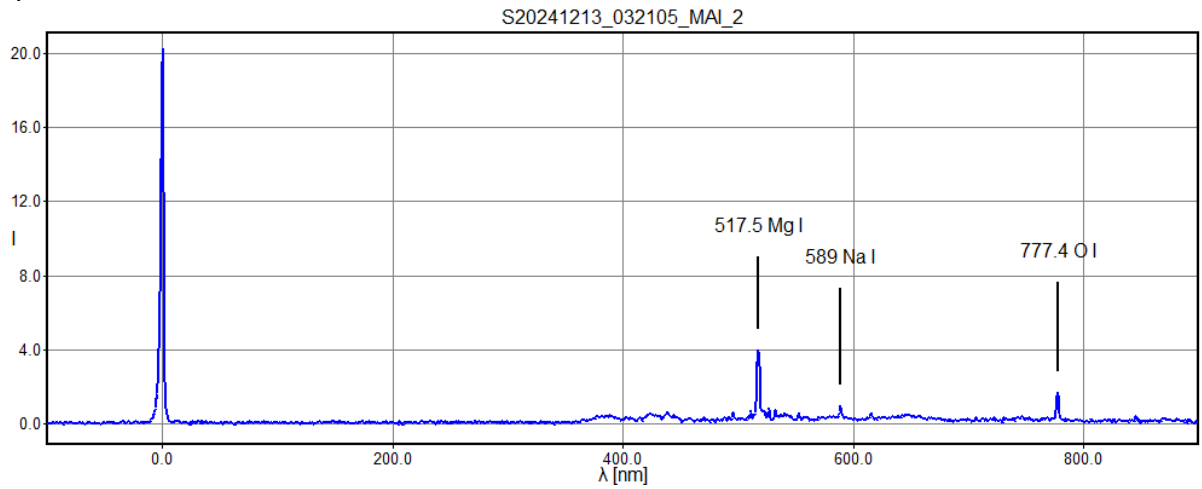


polynom for fit lambda c: [-1.5349e-06 6.0010e-01 -1.6120e+02]

pixel	lambda	fit	error
268.81,	0.00,	-0.00,	-0.0016
1134.34,	517.50,	517.54,	0.0402
1254.07,	589.00,	588.95,	-0.0486
1570.40,	777.40,	777.41,	0.0101

rms\_x = 0.0319

spectrum 241213\r\_add12cal.dat saved



M20241213\_044756\_MAI\_2, GEM, -3.2m

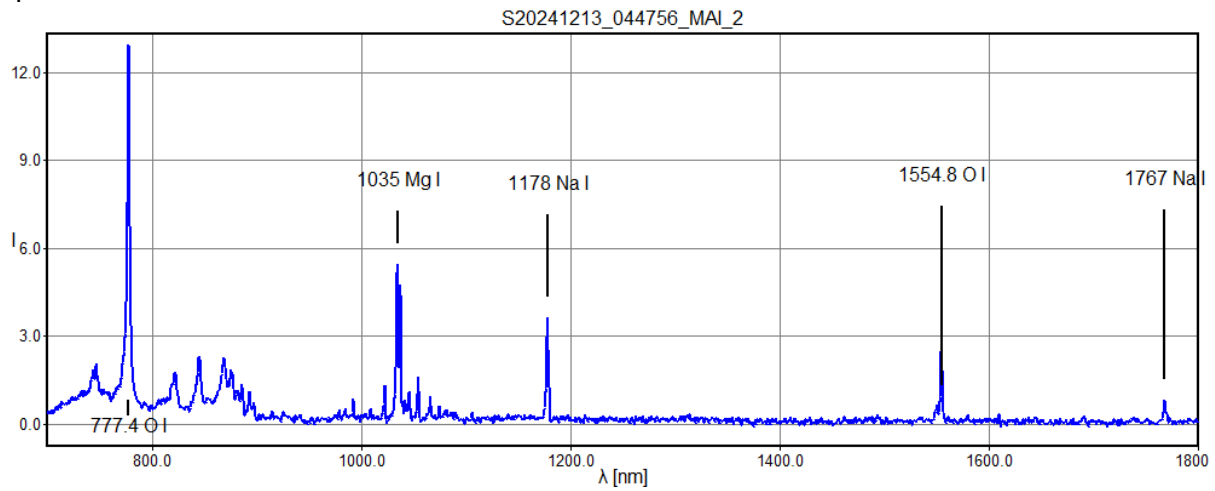


polynom for fit lambda c: [5.9560e-01 6.5941e+02]

pixel	lambda	fit	error
198.72,	777.40,	777.77,	0.3693
629.94,	1035.00,	1034.60,	-0.3954
870.82,	1178.00,	1178.07,	0.0731
1502.40,	1554.80,	1554.24,	-0.5570
1860.47,	1767.00,	1767.51,	0.5100

rms\_x = 0.4168

spectrum 241213\ra\_add10cal.dat saved



M20241228\_054640\_MAI\_2, spo, -1.8m

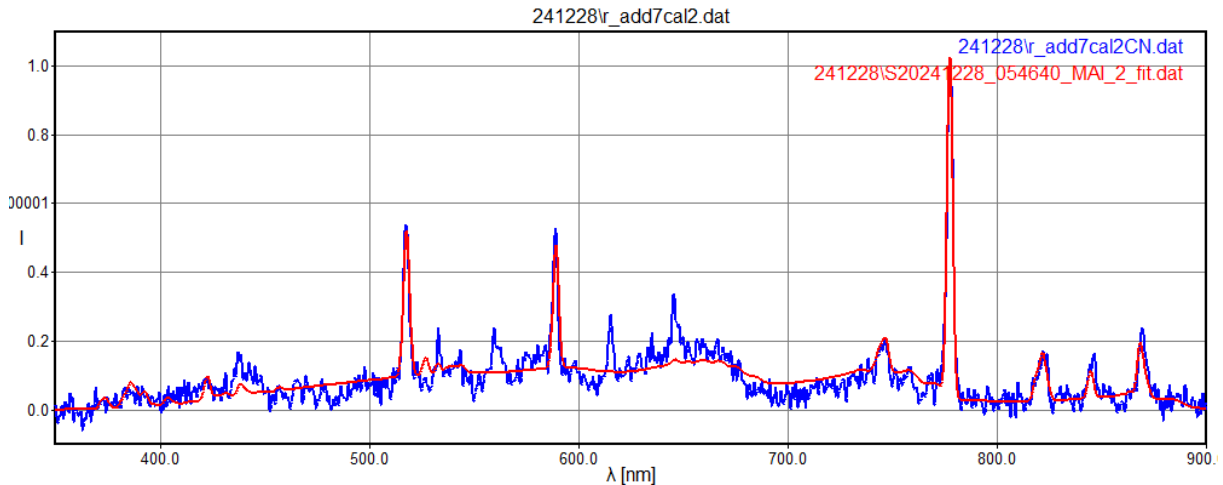
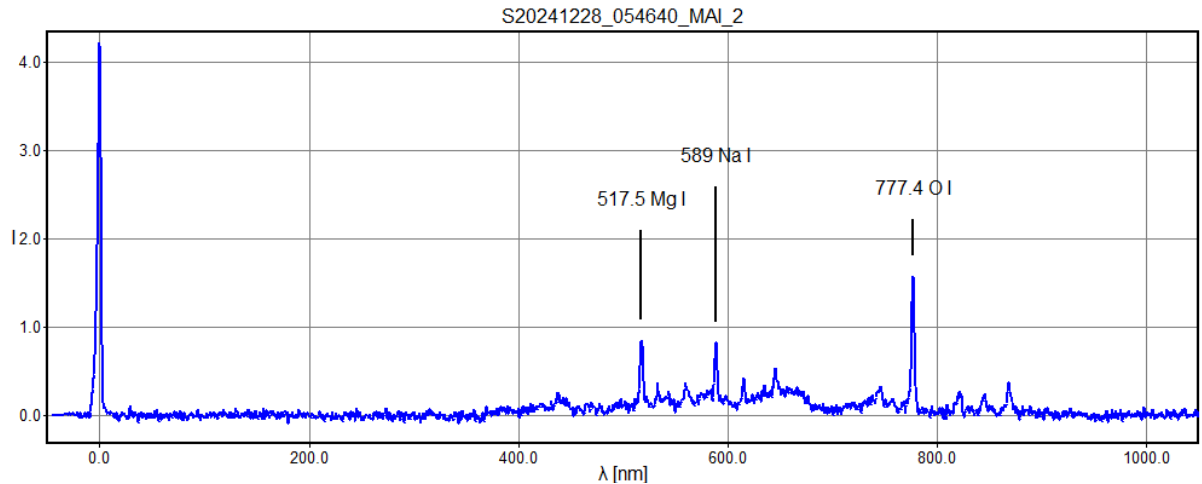


polynom for fit lambda c: [ 1.0570e-06 5.9468e-01 -4.7271e+01]

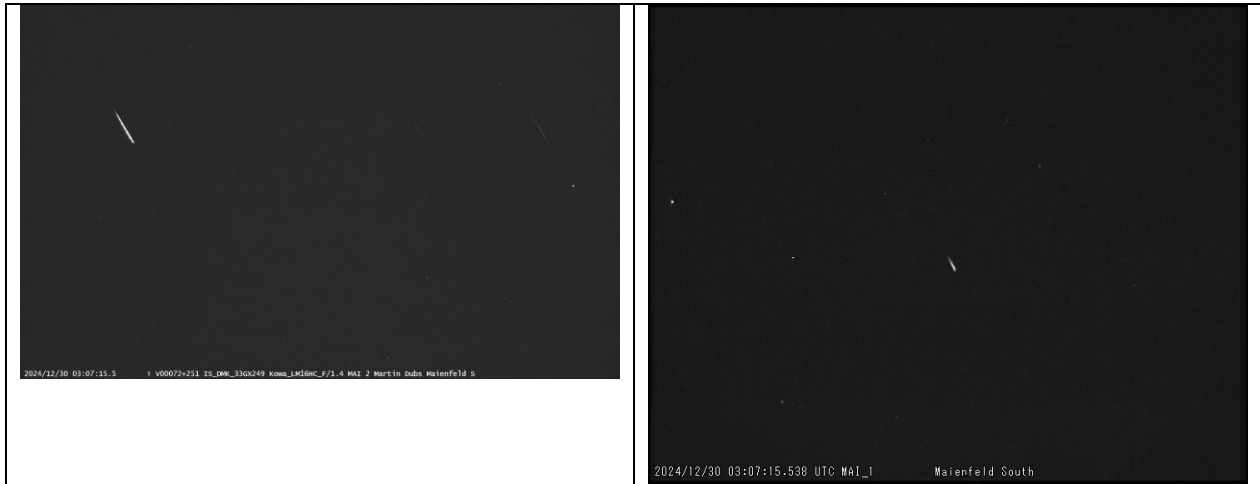
pixel	lambda	fit	error
79.47,	0.00,	-0.00,	-0.0047
948.30,	517.50,	517.62,	0.1168
1067.67,	589.00,	588.86,	-0.1416
1383.39,	777.40,	777.43,	0.0294

rms\_x = 0.0930

spectrum 241228\r\_add7cal.dat saved



M20241230\_030715\_MAI\_2, COM, -1.8m

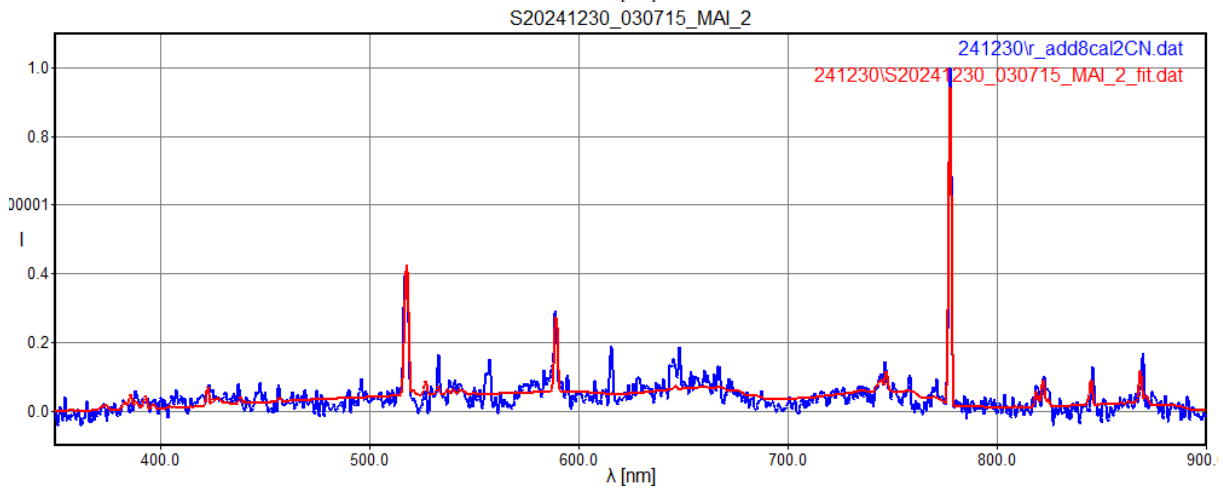
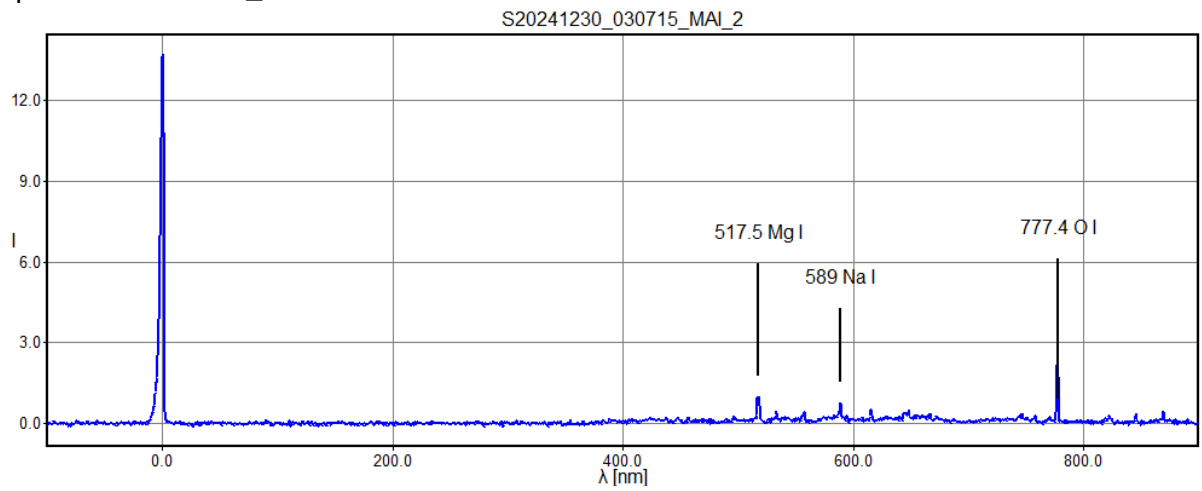


polynom for fit lambda c: [-4.0469e-06 6.0570e-01 -1.8950e+02]

pixel	lambda	fit	error
313.50,	0.00,	-0.01,	-0.0075
1176.79,	517.50,	517.68,	0.1828
1296.14,	589.00,	588.78,	-0.2210
1613.80,	777.40,	777.45,	0.0456

rms\_x = 0.1453

spectrum 241230\r\_add8cal.dat saved



## Meteor spectral lines

**Table 3-7:** List of spectral lines frequently found in meteor spectra and their relative intensities. The identification of the lines (numbers) in our example is also given. Lines marked with an asterisk appear in spectra of fast meteors, such as the Perseids, but much fainter in spectra of slow meteors.

Laboratory data			ident. number	Laboratory data			ident. number
$\lambda_{\text{lab}}$ , [Å]	atom/ion	intensity		$\lambda_{\text{lab}}$ , [Å]	atom/ion	intensity	
3719.9	Fe	10	2	4923.9	Fe <sup>+</sup>	2*	
3734.9	Fe	8		4957.6	Fe	4	
3737.1	Fe	9	3	5012.1	Fe	1	
3745.6	Fe	8		5018.4	Fe <sup>+</sup>	3*	
3749.5	Fe	8		5110.4	Fe	1	
3820.4	Fe	9		5167.3	Mg	17	
3825.9	Fe	8		5172.7	Mg	25	
3829.4	Mg	10		5183.6	Mg	28	
3832.3	Mg	11		5208.4	Cr	10	
3838.3	Mg	12		5227.2	Fe	5	
3859.9	Fe	11		5269.5	Fe	14	
3886.3	Fe	9		5328.0	Fe	12	
3933.7	Ca <sup>+</sup>	40*	8	5371.5	Fe	9	
3968.5	Ca <sup>+</sup>	35*	9	5397.1	Fe	5	
4030.8	Mn	10		5405.8	Fe	6	
4045.8	Fe	10		5429.7	Fe	6	
4063.6	Fe	9		5434.5	Fe	4	
4131.0	Si <sup>+</sup>	1*		5446.9	Fe	4	
4226.7	Ca	11	12	5455.6	Fe	4	
4254.4	Cr	9		5528.4	Mg	2	
4271.8	Fe	10		5615.7	Fe	1	
4274.8	Cr	8		5890.0	Na	40	
4289.7	Cr	7		5895.9	Na	35	
4307.9	Fe	10		6156.8	O	1*	
4325.8	Fe	10		6162.2	Ca	1	
4383.5	Fe	14	15	6347.1	Si <sup>+</sup>	6*	
4404.8	Fe	11		6371.4	Si <sup>+</sup>	3*	
4481.2	Mg <sup>+</sup>	15*		6495.0	Fe	1	
4920.5	Fe	3		6562.9	H	2*	

From: Spectral lines, (IMO Photographic Handbook 03 Spectra, p 47)

<http://www.imo.net/docs/03spectra.pdf>

Another list from Borovicka, 2005

<https://ui.adsabs.harvard.edu/abs/2005Icar..174...15B/abstract>

Free access from:

<https://sci-hub.st/https://doi.org/10.1016/j.icarus.2004.09.011>

Table 1

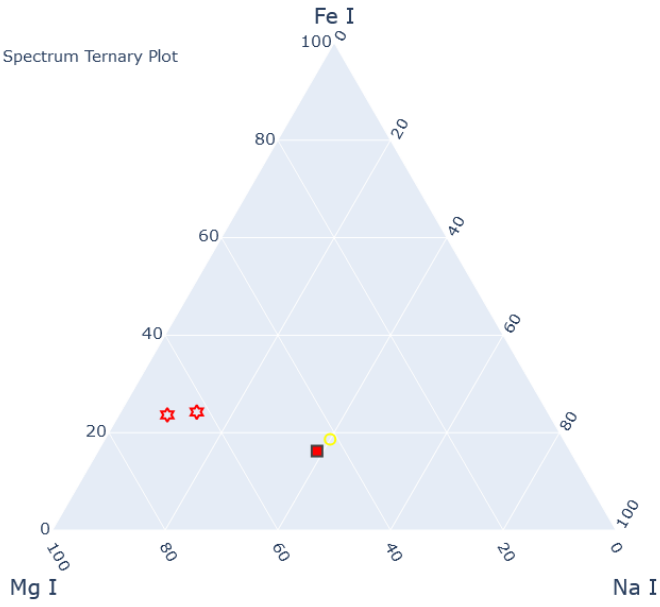
List of the most important atomic lines used to fit the spectra in the 4200–8500 Å range, ordered according to line groups

$\lambda$ (Å)	Atom & multiplet	Typical intensity	$\lambda$ (Å)	Atom & multiplet	Typical intensity
<i>Low temperature lines</i>			<i>Wake lines<sup>a</sup></i>		
4226	Ca I 2	80	4216	Fe I 3	16
4273	Fe I 42	30	4376	Fe I 2	26
4308	Fe I 42	25	4427	Fe I 2	21
4326	Fe I 42	25	4462	Fe I 2	12
4384	Fe I 41	45	4482	Fe I 2	7
4405	Fe I 41	25	4571	Mg I 1	17
4920	Fe I 318	11	5110	Fe I 1	9
4957	Fe I 318	16	5169	Fe I 1	8
5047	Fe I 114	13	5205	Fe I 1	5
5182	Mg I 2	200	<i>Atmospheric lines</i>		
5269	Fe I 15	23	5330	O I 12	47
5328	Fe I 15	19	5436	O I 11	34
5371	Fe I 15	17	6157	O I 10	150
5404	Fe I 15	15	6455	O I 9	17
5431	Fe I 15	13	6484	N I 21	27
5449	Fe I 15	11	7424	N I 3	60
5528	Mg I 9	22	7442	N I 3	120
5589	Ca I 21	5	7468	N I 3	150
5892	Na I 1	150	7774	O I 1	1400
6163	Ca I 3	4	8186	N I 2	400
6439	Ca I 18	3	8218	N I 2	700
6463	Ca I 18	2	8243	N I 2	280
8194	Na I 4	3	8446	O I 4	800
<i>High temperature line</i>			<i>Train line</i>		
4481	Mg II 4	36	5577	[O I] 3F	31

<sup>a</sup> Wake lines are low excitation intercombination lines with a small transition probability. They are so named because they are prominent in meteor wakes, i.e., in the radiation forming a “tail” just behind the meteor head. They may be, nevertheless, present also in meteor heads, in particular when the collisional deexcitation rate is low.

## Ternary plot 2024

Meteor Spectrum Ternary Plot



GEM: red star

PER: red square

MON: yellow circle

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