Investigation of spectral continua in solar flares

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Goal

• We are trying to detect an increase of flux in Balmer continuum during flares

Adam F. Kowalski: Time-Resolved Properties and Global Trends in dMe Flares from Simultaneous Photometry and Spectra, 2012 - a *flare on AD Leo 3 April 2010* - spectral class M



Observatory



Instruments





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Slit-jaw camera





Spectrometer Ocean Optics HR4000

- Spectral resolution: 30 pixels/nm
- Range: 350 440 nm
- Minimum integration time: 3.8 ms



Spectral channels



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Processing

1.25

- How to do it?
 - Analysis of a "single" spectra
 - Light curves
 - Statistical analysis

1.37319e30899e30899e30899e30899e30899e30899e30899e30899e460032e448032e448032e448032e4

Time



7000

Counts

7500

8000

0.4

0.35

0.3

0.25

0.2

Relative intensity

Counts

2200

2000

1800

5500

6000

6500

8500

Flare simulation



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Expectations

Our experiment will be moved to a telescope with better parameters

Results?

