The CILBO meteor orbit database

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- Koschny & Diaz (2002) published the MOTS software for calculating trajectories from stereoscopic meteor data

- Albin et al. (2016, International Meteor Conference, not published yet): Monte-Carlo based MOTS extension to determine the orbital elements of meteors
  - Resample “Virtual Observations”
  - Compute an Ensemble of trajectories per meteor
  - Determine statistics → generate “cleaned” dataset
1. Introduction

Sphere of Influence (~900,000 km)

Trajectory within Earth’s Sphere of Influence

Trajectory in ECLIPJ2000

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- “Cleaned” and unbiased Database:
  - No meteors with frames less than 4 (velocity bias, Albin et al. 2015b)
  - No trajectory deviations with more than 500 meters
  - Altitude check (at least 80 km altitude)
- This leads to a database with 12,045 meteors (Jan 2013 – AUG 2015)
- Quantitative “quality” of the data...
2. Data Quality

- Median Absolute Deviation (Inclination)
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- Median Absolute Deviation (Eccentricity)
2. Data Quality

- Median Absolute Deviation (Tisserand (Jupiter))
3. EBP & IDP

- Some meteors in the MC Simulation did not reach Earth's SOI
- The determined initial velocity of the meteor was smaller than 11.2 km/s
  - Meteor decelerated already before detection
  - Captured IDP in Earth's SOI
  - Space Debris
3. EBP & IDP

- Earth-bound particles
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- The database contains approximately 10,000 IDPs

- Classification by the Tisserand (Jupiter) Parameter:
  - $T > 3$ (Asteroidal) ~ 50 %
  - $T < 2$ (JFC) ~ 30 %
  - $2 < T < 3$ (Halley-type) ~ 20 %

$$T = \frac{a_p}{a} + 2 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{a}{a_p} (1 - e^2) \cos i}$$
3. EBP & IDP

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4. Bias Effects

- The large database allows also extensive bias analysis

- In previous works we have identified miscellaneous bias effects
  - Velocity determination bias (Albin et al. 2015b)
  - Velocity distribution bias (Kretschmer et al. 2015)
  - Camera pointing bias (Albin et al. 2015a)

- With the database we can determine possible camera and pointing depending bias effects
4. Bias Effects

- Brightness distribution depending on the radiant-boresight distance
- Possible consequence: mass index of streams varies during the night (?)
5.1 Summary

- Database with over 12,000 meteor orbits
  - Orbital elements in ECLIPJ2000 and Earth-centric coordinates
  - Detection parameters (altitude, angular distance, radiant, velocity, …)
- Database: SQLite
  - No server needed
  - One file
  - Several programming languages understand the format
5.2 Outlook

- Analysis of:
  - IDPs
  - ISDs (Hyperbolic Particles)
  - Earth-bound particles
- Identification of source regions (streams, sporadics), mass index → and comparison with e.g. the IMEX model (R. H. Soja's presentation at 10.00 am)
- Unbiasing of the dataset
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