

# Software for analysis of visual meteor data

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# SOFTWARE

- ▶ R package MetFns  
`cran.r-project.org/web/packages/MetFns/`
- ▶ Java application MetRApp  
`bitbucket.org/ivail/metrapp`

# CONTENTS

- ▶ data frames containing visual meteor data
- ▶ functions for manipulation of the data

# DATA

- ▶ *rateXX* - yearly rate data
- ▶ *magnXX* - yearly magnitude data
- ▶ accompanying data:
  - ▶ *radiant* - coordinates of shower radiant throughout the year
  - ▶ *shw\_list* - list of observed meteor showers
  - ▶ *vmdbpers* - list of observers
  - ▶ *vmdbsite* - list of observing sites

# FUNCTIONS

- ▶ Read visual meteor data from IMO site
  - ▶ *read.rate(data)* - read rate data
  - ▶ *read.magn(data)* - read magnitude data
- ▶ Select (filter) data by one or more criteria
- ▶ Perform calculations over data
- ▶ Draw graphics

# FILTER FUNCTIONS

- ▶ *filter.shw(data,shw)* filter by shower code
- ▶ *filter.date(data,year,month,day.beg,day.end=day.beg)* filter by date(s)
- ▶ *filter.time(data,time.low,time.up)* filter by time period
- ▶ *filter.imocode(data, imocode)* filter by IMO observer code
- ▶ *filter.obsname(data,name,fname)* filter by observer's first and last name

# FILTER FUNCTIONS

- ▶ *filter.gc(data, long.low=0, long.up=180, ew=c("E", "W"), lat.low=0, lat.up=90, ns=c("N", "S"))* filter by geographical coordinates
- ▶ *filter.site(data, site)* filter by name of the site
- ▶ *filter.country(data, country)* filter by country
- ▶ *filter.sol(data, sol.low=0, sol.up=359.999)* filter by solar longitude
- ▶ *filter.F(data, F.low=1.0, F.up=3.0)* filter by correction factor for clouds (rate data)

# FILTER FUNCTIONS

- ▶ *filter.mag(data,mag.low=2.0,mag.up=7.5)* filter by limiting magnitude
- ▶  
*filter.h(data,shw,Ralpha=NULL,Delta=NULL,h.low=10,h.up=90)*  
filter by radiant elevation
- ▶ *filter.totcor(data,shw,Ralpha=NULL,Delta=NULL,r,C=5)* filter by total correction factor (rate data)
- ▶ *filter* global filter - various data selections, wrapper function for all filters



# FILTER FUNCTIONS

- ▶ Example: select rate data for observations of Orionids, period 21-22th October 2006, limiting magnitude of 5.5 and above, total correction factor below 5.

```
filter(rate06, shw="ORI", year=2006, month=10,
       day.beg=21, day.end=22, mag.low=5.5, r=2.5)
```

IMCode	sitecode	day	month	year	start	stop	sollong	Teff	F	lmg	SPO	Shw	N
BADPI	16131	21	10	6	10	120	207.392	1	1	6.4	9	ORI	19
RENJU	11152	21	10	6	55	113	207.405	0.3	1	6.16	3	ORI	9
RENJU	11152	21	10	6	113	143	207.421	0.5	1.02	6.15	4	ORI	18
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
STOWE	25971	22	10	6	1116	1132	208.828	0.25	1	7	4	ORI	21
STOWE	25971	22	10	6	1132	1147	208.839	0.25	1	7.1	6	ORI	22
STOWE	25971	22	10	6	1147	1203	208.85	0.25	1	7.1	3	ORI	13

# CALCULATION FUNCTIONS

- ▶ *solar.long(year, month, day, time)* - calculation of solar longitude with respect to the equinox of 2000.0
- ▶ *pop.index(data, year, month, day.beg, day.end=day.beg, shw, mag=-6:7)* - calculation of population index of a meteor shower
- ▶ *zhr(data, year, month, day.beg, day.end, shw, r=NULL, Alpha=NULL, Delta=NULL, k,c=1)* calculates average zenithal hourly rate (ZHR)

# CALCULATION FUNCTIONS

- ▶ Example: select visual meteor data for observation of Orionids, period 20-24th October 2006, 12hrs time intervals, and calculate ZHR

```
rateOri<-filter(rate06, shw="ORI", year=2006, month=10,
day.beg=20, day.end=24)
zhr(rateOri, year=2006, month=10, day.beg=20,
day.end=24, shw="ORI", r=2.5, k=12)
```

# CALCULATION FUNCTIONS

day	month	year	start	stop	sollong	nINT	nORI	ZHR	st.err	density	dens.err
20	10	2006	0	12	206.617	33	389	30	1.5	54.3	2.7
20	10	2006	12	24	207.114	14	157	39.4	3.17	71.1	5.7
21	10	2006	0	12	207.611	38	810	46.6	1.6	84.3	3
21	10	2006	12	24	208.108	54	690	53.1	2	95.9	3.6
22	10	2006	0	12	208.606	122	1882	52.1	1.2	94.2	2.2
22	10	2006	12	24	209.104	24	240	38.8	2.5	70	4.5
23	10	2006	0	12	209.602	43	644	47.5	1.9	85.7	3.4
23	10	2006	12	24	210.1	5	54	49.6	6.7	89.6	12.1
24	10	2006	0	12	210.598	23	326	39.2	2.2	70.8	3.9
24	10	2006	12	24	211.096	8	30	20.7	3.7	37.3	6.7

# DRAWING GRAPHS FUNCTIONS

- ▶ *zhr.graph(data,year,month, day.beg, day.end=day.beg,shw, r=NULL, Ralpha=NULL, Delta=NULL, k,c=1,type=c("UTC","sol"))* - graphic of Zenithal Hourly Rate
  - ▶ xy plot of Zenithal Hourly Rate
  - ▶ time (UTC) or solar longitude on x-axis and ZHR on y-axis
  - ▶ ZHR -black filled circles with one sigma error bars
- ▶ *mag.distr(data,year, month, day.beg, day.end=day.beg, shw)* - graphic of magnitude distribution
  - ▶ histogram
  - ▶ boxplot

# MOTIVATION

- ▶ Provide easy-to-use environment for R package
- ▶ Enable anyone to use our software without any necessary knowledge of R programming language

# DEPENDENCIES

Because there is none programmatical access to IMO data, our app has many dependencies.

The screenshot displays the METRAPP application window with the following sections:

- Buttons:** "Load saved properties file" and "Save properties".
- R path:** A section for configuring the R environment, including a "choose file" button for "Rscript.exe", a text field for "Your file:", and an example path: "C:\Program Files\R\R-3.1.0\bin\x86\Rscript.exe".
- Folder to save properties file:** A section for selecting a save location, including a "choose folder" button and a text field for "Your selection:".
- Files needed for execution of R code:** A list of required files with "choose" buttons: "vmdbsite.csv", "radiant.csv", "table1.csv", "shwlist.csv", and "vmdbpers.csv". Each item has a corresponding text field for "Your [filename].csv file:".

# FILTERS

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by shower code

by date Year:  Month:  Day beginning:  Day ending:

by observer's IBO code IBO code:

by observer's first and last name First name:  Last name:

by latitude & longitude Lower longitude:  Upper longitude:  EW  Lower latitude:   
Upper latitude:  NS

by observer's site name Site name:

by country Country name:

by limiting magnitude Lower magnitude:  Upper magnitude:

by F F low:  F up:

by time period begin:  end:

by solar longitude low:  up:

by elevation low:  up:  alpha:  delta:  type:

global filter

RUN





# SOFTWARE ARCHITECTURE

- ▶ Data tier (possible problems with maintainability of versions of data)
- ▶ Logic tier ((Almost) all R filters had to be re-implemented)
- ▶ Presentation tier (At some point, this app should be moved to the web)

# CONCLUSION

- ▶ All software is made to be upgradeable
- ▶ All resources are publicly available