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# **MODEL 370 OPTOMETER**

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3. All semiconductor devices are susceptible to electrostatic discharges (ESD). Ensure that the unit is switched off before connecting or disconnecting any cable(s) or accessories. Failure to do so can cause "ESD" damage and reduce the lifetime of the instrument drastically.
4. Units with ieee-488 capability must use a shielded cable; similar to Hewlett-Packard part number HP10833x or Io-Tech part number CA-7-X, to maintain compliance.
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**Never use alcohol, acetone, or other chemical solvents to clean any part of the unit.**

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## CAUTION

Each Model 370 is calibrated at the factory for specific detector and accessories included with the instrument. Do not substitute different detector or accessories without verifying that the calibration is installed in the instrument.

The maximum input power level for this instrument, assuming only a radiometric filter is used, is 10mW total or 500mW/cm<sup>2</sup>, whichever is less. Beyond these flux levels the detector becomes nonlinear. Beyond 10mW total or 500mW/cm<sup>2</sup> there is a risk of irreversible detector damage.

Verify proper line voltage selection prior to operation. See the rear panel switch for line voltage. Attempted operation at incorrect line voltage will cause catastrophic damage.

Disconnect AC line prior to removal of top cover to avoid electrical shock or accidental damage.

## SPECIFICATIONS

Display Alphanumeric 16 x 2 lines, character liquid crystal, display update rate 2 to 4 readings/second, 4 to 5 significant digits displayed; contrast adjustment provided on rear of display, switch selective electroluminescent backlighting.

Controls: 10 touch sensitive controls set instrument function, also programmable through IEEE-488 interface.

Push-button power on/off with red LED power indicator.

Calibration: Calibration information stored in rear panel mounted EPROM. EPROM contains current measurement calibration for pico-ammeter function and calibration information on specified detectors.

Digital Interface: Removable front panel BNC connector modules provided for detector connections.

Power Required: 90-132VAC or 180-264VAC 47-440Hz, switch selected on rear panel, 12 VA max required. Fused at 1/8 A for 115VAC operation, 1/16 A for 230VAC operation. Uses low blow fuses. Accepts 3AG, 0.25" (6mm) diameter x 1.25" (31mm) long fuses. Male IEC line connector provided. Rear panel DC input 9 to 15 VDC, 500mA max, not switched. Mating connector is Switchcraft type 760.

Dimensions: 3.69" (94mm) H x 8.5" (216mm) W x 9.25" (235mm) D.

Weight: 4.0 pounds (1.8Kg)

Operating Temperature Range: 0°C to 45°C

Storage Temperature Range: -20°C to 60°C

A/D Converter: Resolution: 15 bits plus sign

Full Scale Voltage: 2.5V

Sampling Rate: 2 to 4 readings per second

Trans-impedance Amplifier System:

Gain Ranges: 10 to 10 V/A, decade steps

Input Current Error, Temperature Drift: 2pA max, doubles every 10°C

Input Voltage Error: 10µV max over temp.

Maximum Operational Input Current: 1.5mA

Maximum safe input current: 7.5mA

FULL SCALE CURRENT	UNCERTAINTY @22° C % OF READING	TEMPERATURE DRIFT % OF READING	FRONT END AMPLIFIER RESPONSE 10%-90%, mS	INPUT RESIST- ANCE OHMS
1nA	0.1pA	0.7%	150mS	<1000
10nA	1pA	0.7%	150mS	<1000
100nA	10pA	0.15%	150mS	<10
1µA	100pA	0.11%	150mS	<10
10µA	1nA	0.15%	120mS	<1
100µA	10nA	0.11%	120mS	<1
1mA	100nA	0.13%	120mS	<1

## 1.0 GENERAL INFORMATION

### 1.1 Introduction

The UDT Instruments Model 370 Optical Power Meter is a microprocessor-based radiometer / photometer of the quality synonymous with UDT Instruments instrumentation. Human engineering and innovative features permit an operator to make a variety of precision optical measurements.

Versatility and accuracy are the prime design parameters incorporated in the UDT Instruments Model 370. By selecting from the broad range of available detector / filter heads and accessories, the user may tailor the Model 370 to any specific application requirement and can easily modify the instrument to meet future application needs.

### 1.2 Applications

Applications of the model 370 include:

Radiometry from 200 to 1800nm

Photometry

Laser Power Measurement

Cathode Ray Tube Luminance

Optical Energy Measurements

Fiber optics Power and Loss Measurements

Remote Controlled Monitoring/Automatic Testing Measurements with optical



Equipment such as Scanning Monochromators

### 1.3 Accessories

The instrument is designed to accept all standard UDT Instruments Radiometric /Photometric accessories including microphotometer and telephotometer attachments, radiometric and photometric detector head assemblies, visible and infrared LED measurement systems, integrating spheres for attenuation and uniform response, detectors with smaller active areas, low profile head assemblies for tight spaces, and special bandpass filters for UV through near infrared measurements.

### 1.4 Calibration

Detector assemblies may be obtained with calibrations stored in a plug-in calibration (PIC) EPROM. Stored information includes data for calibrations with standard filters and accessories for radiometric or photometric measurements, special filters, or specialized detector assemblies for measurements at particular wavelengths such as 632.8nm for HeNe lasers, or continuous calibration data covering a wide spectral range.

If accessories are obtained after initial purchase, either the PIC module can be returned for calibration additions or a new one purchased.

Calibration data includes calibration certification listing model and serial numbers of items calibrated, description of calibration including wavelength, measurement units, special accessories or conditions, and a statement of traceability to NBS. UDT Instruments maintains standards and equipment optimized for accurate calibration and recalibration of instruments. The normal period to recalibration is six months. An electrical calibration lab may have the facilities to check the current measurement accuracy of the 370 (See performance verification). In this case only the detector assemblies and PIC modules need be returned for calibration.

UDT Instruments keeps calibration data for each instrument on file.

## 2.0 PREPARATION FOR USE

### 2.1 Inspection

Before shipment this instrument was inspected and found to be free of defects. When unpacking, inspect for damage that may have occurred during shipment. If damage is found, file a claim with the carrier and notify the UDT Instruments customer service department.

The Model 370 shipping container should contain:

1 – Model 370 Optometer

1 – Instruction Manual

1 – Carrying Case

## 1 – Plug in Calibration Module

A/R – Detector Assemblies Ordered Separately

### 2.2 Instrument Identification

The instrument's model and serial numbers are on a label on the rear panel. The instrument history is maintained in a serial number file at UDT Instruments.

### 2.3 Input Power Requirements

The instrument operates on 90-132VAC or 180-264VAC 47-440Hz, 10VA nominal.

Line voltage is selected by a switch on the rear panel power supply circuit board.

The instrument is fused at 1/8 AMP for 115VAC, 1/16 AMP for 230VAC.

Verify proper line voltage and fuse rating prior to operating the instrument.

### 2.4 Packaging for Shipment

The carrying case supplied with the instrument is intended to be used as a shipping, carrying, and storage case. It is recommended that this case be used when returning the instrument for repair and recalibration.

## 3.0 OPERATION

This section describes the switch functions and basic operation of the Model 370. Stand alone operation and use of the IEEE-488 interface is described. For an introduction to measurements see the "User's Guide".

### 3.1 Front Panel Controls

#### 3.1.1 Power

Turns on the instrument. The display shows the message "UDT Instruments Model S370"

#### 3.1.2 The following touch sensitive switches perform:

Halt Instrument Function  
Display Status of Indicated Channel  
Item being Changed is underlined

Autorange/Manual: Changes the range control from auto to manual range or manual range to auto range. When in manual range the gain may be changed by pressing the up/down keys.

Function: Allows selection of measurement type, the first push displays the present status, additional pushes change the function selected to the next one.

Linear: For normal average measurements.

Log Ratio: For logarithmic average ratio measurements of the signal to the previous measurement, which is saved when using this function. To change the reference value, change mode to linear, start measurement, adjust signal and change the mode back to log ratio.

Ratio: Performs linear ratio of the signal to the previous measurement, which is automatically stored when using this function. To change the reference value, change mode to linear, start measurement, adjust signal and change the mode back to log ratio.

Responsivity/User Entered Responsivity: Displays the set responsivity. Pushing the start/stop key moves cursor from left to right. Pushing up/down key changes values at cursor (sign, value and measurement units). When the last character is set, pushing start/stop key will display measurement units which can then be changed.

Analog/Digital: Changes the digital reading to analog reading or analog reading to digital reading. When in analog reading, the scale factor may be changed by pushing the up/down keys. Display returns to the normal scale when start/stop is pushed twice.

Calibration Select: Pushing calibration select displays calibration.

Typical Display: 268R S/N 17790

The message, usually containing the detector model number, serial number. Other Calibrations are obtained by pressing the up/down key.

Wavelength Select: The calibration status is displayed.

Calibrations at other wavelengths may be obtained by using the up/down keys. The keys will scroll through the available wavelengths with auto repeat if held down.

Zero: Saves previous readings for subtraction from following readings. A cursor will appear on the right side of the display. To implement the zero function, push the zero switch again, a “z” will appear on the right side of the display. The cursor or “z” will not be displayed if the start/stop key is pressed following the zero procedure. To change back to a non-zeroed measurement, press the zero key so that the cursor is obtained on the right side of the display.

If the measurement function is log ratio or ratio, pressing zero in half mode will display the value of the reference signal.

Start/Stop: Begins or halts the measurement cycle. Pushing start clears the display and begins measurement.

Display Illumination: Turns the display back light on or off.

## 3.2 IEEE-488 Interface

3.2.1 The IEEE interface allows communications between the instrument, a talker/listener, and a controller such as a Hewlett Packard desk top computer equipped with the HPIB interface or any system with an IEEE-488 interface.

As a listener, the instrument terminates communication when ASCII line feed (LF) or end of identify (EOI) is received. Carriage return, commonly sent by HP systems is received and ignored.

Talking is terminated with CRLF, EOI is sent with the last character.

### 3.2.2 Device Address

The Device address is factory set to address code 04. The address code may be changed by resetting dip switch 1 (IEEE address SW1) accessed through the rear panel. Then resetting is accomplished by turning the power off and the on again after the display has gone blank. The address is determined by converting the desired address (0 to 31) to a binary number. For example, the binary value for the factory-set address of 4 is 001000. Use the tip of a pen or a small tool to set the switches.

### 3.2.3 IEEE Control Codes

The following codes sent via the IEEE bus set the instrument functions. The codes perform the same functions as obtainable from the front panel except that Up/Down key presses are replaced with numbers representing the desired values.

IEEE bus commands “LLO”, “GTL”, and “SDC” may also be sent to set the instrument in local lockout (front panel controls disabled) and go to local (front panel controls enabled), and send device clear. Local lockout is useful to prevent interference with bus operation by accidental contact with the front panel.

### 3.2.4 Typical Bus Operation

The following examples indicate typical operation of the IEEE bus using a HP-85 computer. Characters are interpreted from left to right and are set as upper case ASCII character strings.

OUTPUT 704 ; “K3W700M7G”

Sets for third calibration from EPROM at wavelength of 700nm, manual range = 7, and go.

OUTPUT 704 ; “K”

Displays the current calibration.

OUTPUT 704 ; “G”

Asks for data. If the instrument is in operation, data will be available at the end of the measurement sequence;

Or

OUTPUT 704 ; “HF”

Asks for data and halts.

ENTER 704 ; A\$

Enters data as a string

Or

ENTER 704 ; A

Enters data as a floating point number.

TABLE 1  
IEEE CONTROL CODES

A	Set Autorange
B0	restore screen
B1	blank screen
B2	Turn on backlight
B3	Turn off backlight
D	set mode, DL log, DN linear, DR ratio, DG logratio.
E0	digital reading
E1	analog bar reading
F	send current reading
	Data is equal to input current divided by responsitivity
G	Go
H	Halt
K	Display Caldata
Kx	select Caldata x
M	set Manual mode, does not change range
Mx	set gain to specific exponent 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9
R	Send responsivity; R+x.xxxE+xx set responsivity
S	send status of current channel to controller. Format is MODE WAVELENGTH AUTO/MANUAL GAIN with each datapoint separated by space (ASCII 20h)
U	ask for Unit of measure
V1	-set unit to W
V2	- set unit to fc
V3	- set unit to Lux
V4	- set unit to f
V5	- set unit to W/cm <sup>2</sup>
V6	- set unit to W/cm <sup>2</sup> *sr
V7	- set unit to Cd/m <sup>2</sup>
V8	- set unit to Lm
WX	set Wavelength 200 to 2000 depending on cal
WU	Increments current wavelength by current step
WD	Decrements current wavelength by current step
X	display status of current channel
ZX	set Zero mode, Z to turn on zero mode, Z1 to reset zero mode
*MESSAGE*	displays "message" where message is an ASCII String of up to 16 characters

### 3.3

#### Data Format

The format of the data string consists of fourteen characters:

±D.DDDDE+DD\_S

The first twelve characters are data in floating point notation with five significant digits plus sign, following the E is the exponent which is two significant characters plus sign.

The fourteenth character is a space, separating the status character. These characters are ignored if the data has been entered as a floating point number.

The status character, S indicates

O Overrange – data points have exceeded the full scale range of the A/D converter.

P Previously read – This data has been outputted before.

N Normal – valid new data.

U Undefined – result of indefinable calculation

### 3.4

#### Typical Operation

Typical operation requires calibration selection for each channel, optional selections are: manual range control, auto zero, and function.

3.4.1 Select calibration. Measurements may also be calculated externally. Set the instrument for current measurement and calculate the power by dividing the current in amps by the responsivity in amps per unit of measure/

3.4.2 Check that the detector assembly serial number agrees with the serial number of the detector assembly in the calibration status display. Connect the detector to the BNC connector on the rear panel of the instrument.

3.4.3 If the calibration has continuous calibration data, the wavelength of interest should be selected.

3.4.4 Measurements will begin when the start button is pressed. The message “OVERRANGE” will be displayed when the full scale value of the A/D converter is exceeded. The autorange function will normally locate the best measurement range. A message “Undefined” will occur if a divide by zero or log of negative number calculation has been attempted.

#### 3.4.5 Optional Selections

##### 3.4.5.1 Manual/Autorange

Initial selection is for autoranging. A change to manual ranging may be helpful if a time varying signal causes the display to flash, indicating

overrange. Push “auto/ manual”, then the up/down keys to locate the best range, start operation by pressing “start”.

#### 3.4.5.2 Zero

Zero stores the present reading for subtraction from the next readings. It is useful when measuring LED or laser power in the presence of ambient light. Turn off, or block the source to be measured while the instrument is operating, then perform the “zero” operation.

### 4.0 THEORY OF OPERATION

4.1 The Model 370 contains an analog current to voltage converter, digital interface, processor, IEEE interface, and power supply sections. Normally the instrument is used with photodiodes, which generates photocurrent proportional to the power of incident light. Photodiodes can be silicon, germanium, or InGaAs or other junction or inversion layer types, vacuum or photomultiplier tubes; photoconductive devices may also be used.

#### 4.1.1 Preamplifier

Referring to the schematic, the sensor diode is connected to U1, which is an op amp functioning in the transimpedance mode. This stage converts the current from the sensor to signal voltage. The gain of the amplifier (actually the transimpedance gain) is determined by the resistor in the feedback network. Relays K1 through K3 select gain resistors R1 through R3. Resistor R4 is always in the circuit. Actual gain of the front end, the parallel resistance of R4 and R1 through R3 (if selected) is the gain in volts “out” per amps “in”. The second stage, U2 provides voltage gain of 10 to fill in decade gains from 10 V/A through 10 V/A. Analog output voltages from both channels are available from rear panel BNC connectors.

#### 4.1.2 Digital Electronics

The A/D converter U9 is a 15 bit plus sign integrating converter. The integration period is 100mS which rejects 50 pr 60Hz powerline ripple. A 1.235V band gap reference, CR2 provides for radiometric signal measurement. The precise reference voltage is recorded during test and stored with calibration data.

The microprocessor is a CMOS version of the Z80 operating at a clock frequency of 6MHz. The processor is responsible for system control and data processing.

Digital input and output are handled by U4, a programmable I/O controller. The controller interfaces the processor to the keyboard, display, range select switches, and power supply.

The display is a two line by 16 segment alphanumeric liquid crystal display which uses the ASCII character set in communication with the processor.

The display may be illuminated with the integral electroluminescent panel. A viewing angle adjustment potentiometer is provided on the rear panel to adjust for best contrast. The Texas Instrument TMS9914A IEEE controller, 75160 and 75161



interface buffers provide I/W communications through the IEEE 488 interface.

Switch SW1 at the rear panel determines the IEEE bus address for the instrument. Binary coding is read during power on initialization.

#### 4.1.3 Software

At power on, a start up routine initialixes the system and displays the power on message.

The displayed readings are calculated from:

$$\text{Linear} = \frac{\text{A/D data (binary)} * 2 * V_{\text{ref}} * \text{Calibration} * \text{A/unit}}{32678 * \text{Gain V/A}}$$

Logarithmic readings are calculated using Log<sub>10</sub> Software. All data values are calculated using floating point routines.

#### 4.1.4 Power Supply Circuitry

The standard IEC line connector P10, fuse F1 and line voltage selector switch SW2 provide AC voltage to power transformer T1. Isolated low voltage AC from the transformer is rectified, filtered, and regulated to 5VDC by diodes CR5, CR6, Capacitor C7, and U5. U19, a power supply inverter, provides -5V for the analog circuitry.

### 5.0 USER ADJUSTMENT, PERFORMANCE VERIFICATION, AND CALIBRATION INFORMATION

Sections 5.1 and 5.2 describe adjustments and measurements to verify the performance of the Model 37. Section 5.3 describes the calibration data format in the EPROM

#### 5.1 LCD Viewing Angle

The viewing angle of the LCD display may be adjusted by turning the potentiometer on the rear of the instrument. Adjust the potentiometer for best contrast and viewing angle.

#### 5.2 Performance Verification

The accuracy of the Model 370 may be verified using a precision current source such as a Keithley Model 220 or equivalent. The Model 370 will change range as the signal causes the display to increase beyond 24000 counts. Verify accuracy by comparison of indicated currents to the accuracy table in the specifications section.

#### 5.3 Calibration Data Format

Calibration information is stored in the 32K x 8 EPROM starting at hex memory address 6000 in standard Intel hex format. The format of the calibration EPROM is as follows:

<u>No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Bytes</u>
1.	Number of cals	C	1
2.	System Voltage Reference	B	8
3.	Germanium	C	1
4.	Unit	B	8
5.	Message 1	B	16
6.	Message 2	B	16
7.	Start of Wavelength	A	2
8.	End of Wavelength	A	2
9.	Step of Wavelength	A	2
10.	Address for Next Cal	C	2
11.	Address for Previous Cal	C	2
12.	Cal Data floating point, use minus for common Cathode and conventional current measurement.	B	10 per

#### Calibration

Note: Repeat numbers 3 to 12 for next cals.

A. For single wavelength:

- wavelength step = 10,
- start wavelength = wavelength

For calibration without wavelength information, set start wavelength Th = 0.

B. Hex Representation of ASCII Character.

C. Hex Integer

The following is an example calibration.

```

00 01 02 03 04 05 06 07 08 09 0A 0B 0C 0D 0E 0F  ASCII-CODE
6000 04 31 2E 32 32 37 30 20 20 00 57 30 35 34 36 41 1.2272...70546A
6010 00 00 57 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 34 35 30 2D 39 35 ..W.....450-95
6020 30 20 6E 6D 00 00 00 00 00 00 32 36 32 20 53 2F 0 nm.....262 S/
6030 4E 20 32 35 31 32 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 0A 00 N 2512.....
6040 4E 60 D8 60 2D 2E 31 34 35 36 00 00 00 00 00 37 N. - .1456.....7
6050 30 35 34 36 42 00 00 57 00 00 00 00 00 00 34 0546B. . W...4
6060 35 30 2D 39 35 30 20 6E 6D 00 00 00 00 00 32 50-950 NM 2
6070 36 32 20 53 2F 4E 20 32 35 32 30 00 00 00 00 00 62 S/N 2520...
6080 00 00 00 0A 00 93 60 09 60 2D 2E 31 33 37 37 00 ...'. '-. 1377.
6090 00 00 00 00 41 4D 50 45 52 45 53 00 41 00 00 00 AMPERES.A
60A0 00 00 00 00 50 4F 53 49 54 49 56 45 20 43 55 52 POSOTOVE CUR
60B0 52 45 4E 54 50 4F 53 49 54 49 56 45 20 43 55 52 PENTPOSITIVE
CUR
60C0 52 45 4E 54 00 00 00 00 0A 00 D8 60 4E 60 31 2E RENT .....N 1.
60D0 30 30 30 30 00 00 00 00 00 41 4D 50 45 52 45 53 0000 AMPERES
60E0 00 41 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 4E 45 47 41 54 49 56 A...NEGATIV
60F0 45 20 43 55 52 52 45 4E 54 4E 45 47 41 54 49 56
ECURRENTNEGATIV
6100 45 20 43 55 52 52 45 4E 54 00 00 00 00 0A 00 09 E CURRENT.....
6110 60 93 60 2D 31 2E 30 30 30 30 00 00 00 00 00 00 .....-1.0000.....
6120 00

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## 6.0 USERS GUIDE

### 6.1 Introduction

The purpose of this guide is to describe the most common applications and how typical measurements should be performed with the UDT Instruments Radiometers.

The instrument is extremely versatile and has been ergonomically engineered for ease of use. The instrument typically uses a 1cm silicon planar diffused detector which is extremely rugged and stable. This stability permits calibrations to be held for very long periods for time and permits very low noise, sensitive, linear and accurate measurements to be routinely performed. UDT Instruments detectors are sensitive from 350 to 1100 nm (200 nm – 1100 nm for special UV-enhanced detectors with quartz window), can measure power typically from picowatts ( $10^{-12}$  watts) to milliwatts ( $10^{-3}$  watts) and even to many watts with the appropriate accessories.

#### 6.1.1 Calibrations

Before using the Instrument refer to the detector/instrument calibration sheet. This tells precisely how the particular instrument was calibrated, the units, the channels used, as well as any multiplication factors. This calibration sheet is fundamental to the proper use of the instrument.

In addition to the calibrations listed on the data sheet, almost any meaningful instrument calibration can be performed by the UDT Instruments Optical Metrology Department.

#### 6.1.2 Standard Detector Filters

The radiometric filter supplied with the Model 248 or 262 detector corrects the intrinsic silicon responsivity shown in Figure E-1 to a spectrally flat response from 450 nm to 950 nm as shown in Figure E-2. This filter, in combination with the UDT Instruments detector, permits radiometric (i.e. true thermal power) measurements of either narrowband or wideband sources, so long as the entire emitted wavelength is within the flat response range.

The photometric filter supplied with most instruments corrects the silicon curve of Figure E-1 to the CIE photometric response of Figure E-3. The filter in combination with the UDT Instruments detector permits photometric measurements of light (i.e., measurements of the human visual response to light sources).

#### 6.1.3 Accessories

All general purpose UDT Instruments radiometers and photometers use common detectors and accessories. This enables the user to choose from a very wide range of specialized accessories. These include special narrowband filters to isolate parts of the spectrum, color temperature filter

sets to measure the blackbody temperature of incandescent sources, red photometric filters to precisely match the red response of the human eye, fiber optic probes, reflex viewing modules to convert the radiometer into a teleradiometer or microradiometer and many other accessories.

In addition special head assemblies are available which allow the user to measure ultraviolet light precisely, as well as heads for measuring Helium-Neon laser compliance and light emitting diode output.

The UDT Instruments optional accessories brochure describes the complete range of accessories.

## 6.2 Illuminance Measurements

### 6.2.1 Purpose

To measure the illuminance of a source such as the illumination level in an office or factory or photographic exposure times.

### 6.2.2 Equipment

A - Radiometer/Photometer Indicator Unit

B - detector and cable

C - photometric filter (Model 111)

D - diffuser (Model 112)

### 6.2.3 Procedure

1. Connect the instrument to the detector using the cable supplied.
2. Attach the photometric filter onto the detector housing with the filter between the detector and limiting aperture and attach diffuser onto the filter.
3. Position the head as desired to make the measurement. The conventional measurement of illumination is done with the head positioned at the work plane pointing vertically upwards (see Figure E-4).
4. Make sure that the measurement is not affected by the shadows from the operator or any other obstacles. The diffuser “sees” objects up to 90° away from the aiming direction.
5. Refer to the calibration sheet. This will indicate which channel should be used, what multiplication factors are applicable, and what attachments or other conditions apply. (Normally illuminance measurements are made with a diffuser, however sometimes illuminance measurements are done without the diffuser when high

sensitivity is required and when the source is within the detector acceptance angle.

6. Follow the zeroing procedure outlined in the operating section of the manual.
7. Adjust the range switch until a non-full scale reading is obtained. When measuring time varying sources it is advisable to view the analog output (on instruments so equipped) with an oscilloscope to ensure that the front end amplifier does not saturate.
8. See Section 7.0 for formulas relating exposure in lux-seconds to film speed.

#### 6.2.4 Typical Measurement Units

- Footcandles (lumen/ft<sup>2</sup>)
- lux (lumen/m<sup>2</sup>)

### 6.3 CW Laser Power Measurements

#### 6.3.1 Purpose

To determine the total power in a CW laser beam, irradiance from a CW laser, or irradiance from any other CW light source.

#### 6.3.2 Equipment

- A - Radiometer/Photometer Indicator Unit
- B - detector and cable
- C - radiometric filter

#### 6.3.3 Procedure

1. The procedure outlined below and the equipment listed above is specifically applicable to sources with the following characteristics:
  - 450 – 950 nm
  - less than 10 mw total power
  - less than 500 mw/cm irradiance

Special cases falling outside this range are discussed separately.

2. Connect the instrument to the detector using the cable supplied.
3. Attach the radiometric filter onto the detector housing with the filter between the detector and the limiting aperture.

4. Position the head in the laser beam or in the measurement field. (See Figure E-5.)
5. Refer to the calibration sheet. This will indicate which channel should be used, what multiplication factors are applicable and what attachments or other conditions apply.
6. Follow the zeroing procedure outlined in the operating manual.
7. Adjust the range switch until a non-full scale reading is obtained.
8. Verify that the radiant flux and irradiance are less than the values stated in step 1.
9. Adjust the detector head in translation and also in tilt while observing the meter, in order to verify that the beam is fully on the detector and no unusual shadowing is taking place.

#### 6.3.4 Typical Measurement Units

- W, mW
- $W/cm^2$ ,  $mW/cm^2$

#### 6.3.5 Procedure For Use With Narrow-band Light Sources Outside the Range 450-950nm

The set-up described above can be used for sources outside the 450-950nm range but inside the range 300-1100nm with the following procedure.

1. Obtain a single point calibration from UDT Instruments for use without the radiometric filter at the wavelength of interest.
2. Delete the radiometric filter from the test setup and take the reading as outlined above but using the single point calibration.

#### 6.3.6 Procedure For Use With a Light Source Greater Than 10mw or Greater than 500mw/sq cm Irradiance

By adding one or more of the accessories listed below the measurement range can be extended by the multiplication factor indicated.

<u>Model #</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Multiplier</u>	<u>Comment</u>
105	ND 1 filter	10	May cause inaccuracies because of multiple reflections (0.5W max).
105	ND 2 filter	100	May cause inaccuracies because of multiple reflections (0.5W max).
107	ND 3 filter	1000	May cause inaccuracies because of

2500	Laser Integrating Sphere	1,000	multiple reflections (0.5W max). Not spectrally flat, needs single point calibration (100W max).
2525	LED Integrating Sphere	1,000	Not spectrally flat, needs single point calibration (10W max).
2550	Laser Attenuator	100	Not spectrally flat, needs single point calibration (0.5W max).
2575	Mini Integrating Sphere	500	Not spectrally flat, needs single point calibration (10W max).

Refer to the option accessories brochure for the description of the attenuators.

1. Attach the attenuator as shown in Figure E-5.
2. Perform the measurement as outlined in Section 6.3.3.

#### 6.4 Luminance Measurements (Also Radiance, Luminous And Radiant Intensity)

##### 6.4.1 Purpose

To Measure the Luminance (or radiance) of extended sources such as projection screens, cathode ray tubes, etc. (Also to measure the luminous or radiant intensity of a point source).

##### 6.4.2 Equipment

- A – UDT Instruments Indicator Unit
- B – detector and cable
- C – photometric filter (Model 111)
- D – 15° lumilens (Model 1153)

##### 6.4.3 Procedure

1. Connect the instrument to the detector using the cable supplied.
2. Screw the photometric filter onto the detector housing and screw the lumilens onto the filter.
3. Point the head towards the extended source as shown in Figure E-6
4. Make sure that the source is uniform and subtends at least a 15° angle at the detector.
5. Refer to the calibration sheet. This will indicate which channel should be used, what multiplication factors and what attachments or other conditions apply.

6. Follow the zeroing procedure outlined in the operating section of the manual.
7. Adjust the range switch until a non-full-scale reading is obtained. When measuring time varying sources it is advisable to view the analog output (on instruments so equipped) with an oscilloscope to insure that the front end amplifier does not saturate.
8. For luminance measurements or sources smaller than 15° use the 1120 reflex viewing module.

#### 6.4.4 Typical Measurement Units (SI unit)

nit (candela/m<sup>2</sup>) [cd/m<sup>2</sup>]

stilb (candela/ m<sup>2</sup>) [cd/m<sup>2</sup>]

apostilb (1/π candela/ m<sup>2</sup>) [1/π cd/m<sup>2</sup>]

lambert (1/π candela/cm<sup>2</sup>) [1/π cd/m<sup>2</sup>]

candela/ft<sup>2</sup> [π footlamber]

footlambert (3.426 candela/m<sup>2</sup>) [1/π cd/ft<sup>2</sup>]

#### 6.4.5 Procedure for Radiance

Perform the same procedure as outlined in Section 6.4.2 but with the radiometric filter in place of the photometric filter. Typical units will be watts/cm<sup>2</sup>-sr.

#### 6.4.6 Procedure for Luminous or Radiant Intensity

Perform the same procedure as outlined in Sections 6.4.2 and 6.4.3 above using the photometric filter for luminous intensity, the radiometric filter for radiant intensity and substituting a point source which subtends less than a 15° angle at the detector in place of the extended source.

Typical units will be:

- Candela (lumen/sr)
- Watt/sr

### 6.5 Miscellaneous Measurements

Utilizing the procedures outlined above, numerous other measurements may be performed. A few representative examples are listed below.

#### 6.5.1 LED Measurements



By using either the UDT Instruments Model 129 LED shade or by making a laboratory setup as shown in Figure E-7 the luminous or radiant intensity of an LED or lamp may be measured. The procedure is similar to that of Section 6.3.

### 6.5.2 Transmission and Absorption Measurements

By interposing a sample between the light source and detector, the transmission or absorption of a sample may be measured.

## 6.6

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## 6.6

### Formulas

#### 1. Speed of Photographic Materials

$E =$  Film exposure for an acceptable print measured in  
lux-sec)

ASA index =  $1/(4E)$

DIN index =  $(10 \log E) - 5$

#### 2. Illumination of camera image plane

- B = brightness of object measured in candelas/sq.ft.  
 I = illumination on camera image plane in footcandles.  
 =  $B/(4(f\#)^2)$

Illumination at object plane if camera is removed and film placed directly at location of camera image plane

= B (footcandles) = 10.76 B (lux)

6.8 Conversion Factors

LUMINANCE (PHOTOMETRIC BRIGHTNESS) CONVERSION FACTORS

- 1 NIT = 1 CANDELA/SQUARED METER  
 1 STILB = 1 CANDELA/SQUARED CENTIMETER  
 1 APOSTILB (INTERNATIONAL) = 0.1 MILLILAMBERT = 1 BLONDEL  
 1 APOSTILB (GERMAN HEFNER) = 0.09 MILLILAMBERT  
 1 LAMBERT = 1000 MILLILAMBERTS

Multiply number of

To Obtain Number of	By foot- lambert	Candela sq. m.	milli- lambert	candela/ sq.in.	candela/ sq.ft.	stilb
footlambert	1	0.2919	0.929	452	3.143	2,919
candela/sq.m.	3.426	1	3.183	1,550	10.76	10,000
millilambert	1.076	0.3142	1	487	3.382	3,142
candela/sq.in.	0.00221	0.000645	0.000205	1	0.00694	6.45
candela/sq.ft.	0.3183	0.0929	0.2957	144	1	929
stilb	0.00034	0.0001	0.00032	0.155	0.00108	1

ILLUMINATION CONVERSION FACTORS

683 lumens/watt at 555 nm (max.)	1 watt-second	=	10 <sup>7</sup> ergs
	1 phot	=	1 lumen/sq.cm.
1 footcandle = 1 lumen/sq.ft.	1 lux	=	1 lumen/sq.m.
		=	1 metercandle

Multiply number of

<u>To Obtain</u> <u>Number of</u>	<u>footcandles</u>	<u>lux</u>	<u>phot</u>	<u>milliphot</u>
footcandles	1	0.0929	929	0.929
lux	10.76	1	10,000	10
phot	0.00108	0.0001	1	0.0001
milliphot	1.076	0.1	1,000	1

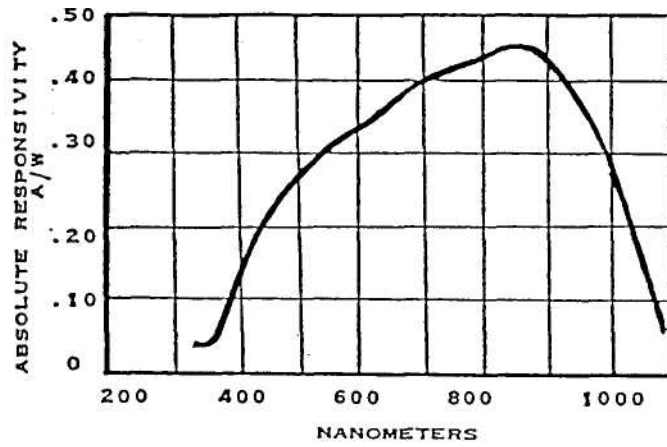


Fig. E-1. Typical Instrument Detector Response

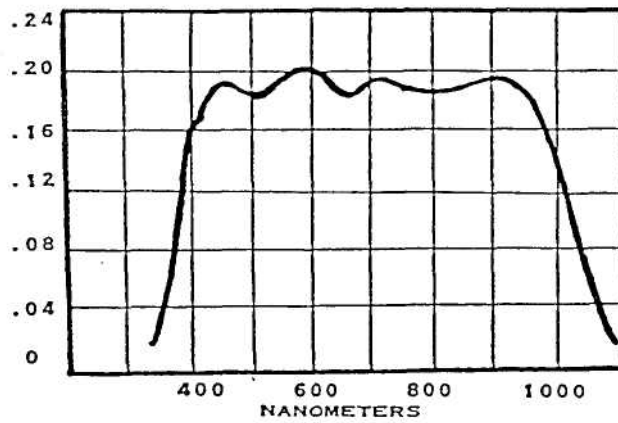


Fig. E-2. Typical Radiometric Filter/Detector Response

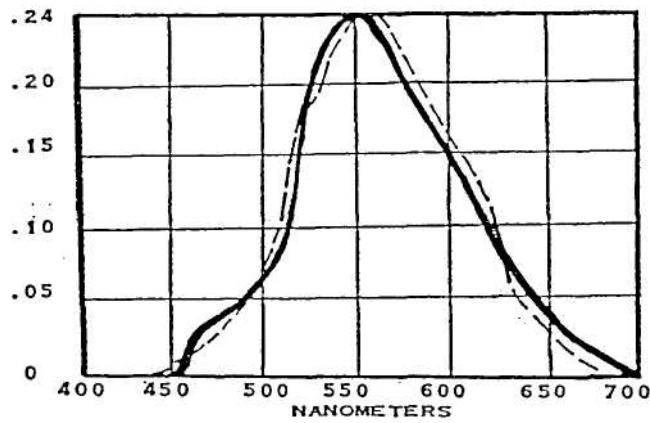


Fig. E-3. Typical Photometric Detector/Filter Response

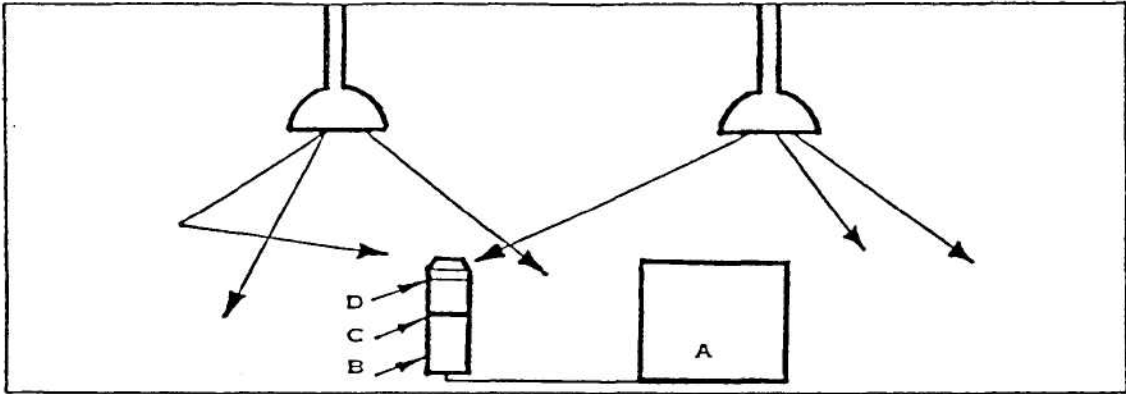


Fig. E-4. Typical Illumination Measurement

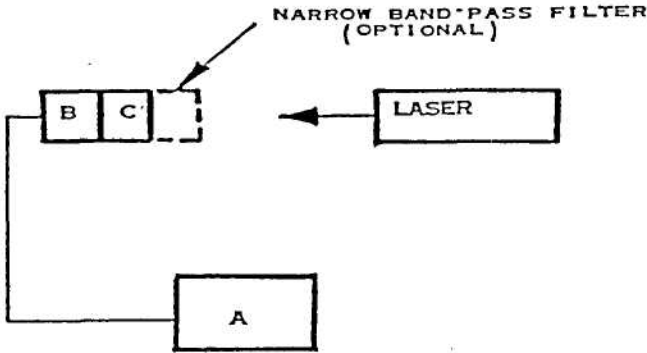


Fig. E-5. Typical Laser Power Measurement

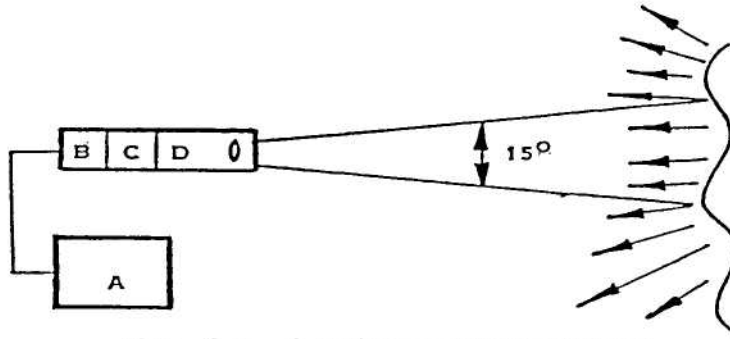


Fig. E-6. Luminance Measurement

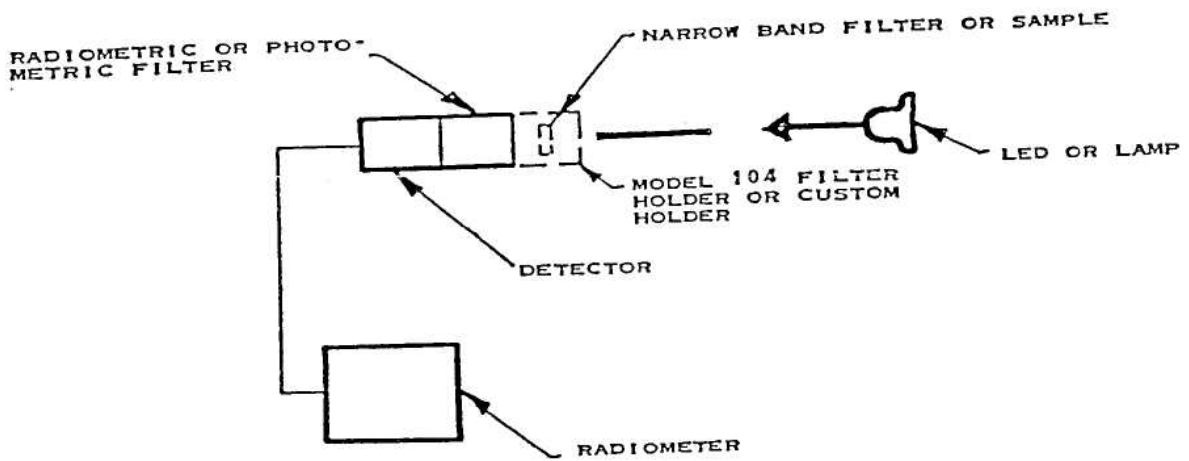


Fig. E-7. LED Measurement



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