DigiSun: a software dedicated to scientific measurement of sunspot drawings

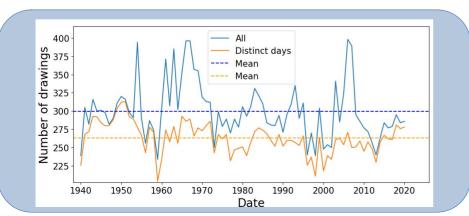


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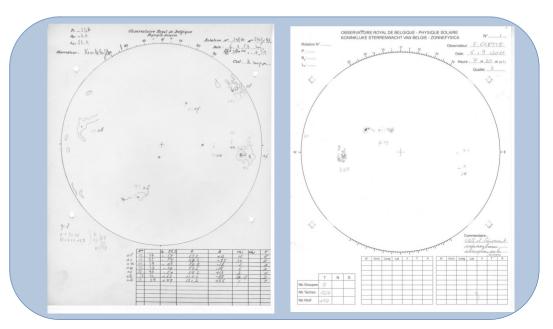
USET: instrument and sunspot drawings collection





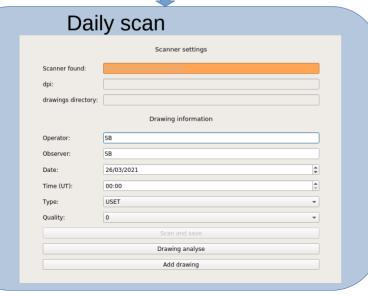


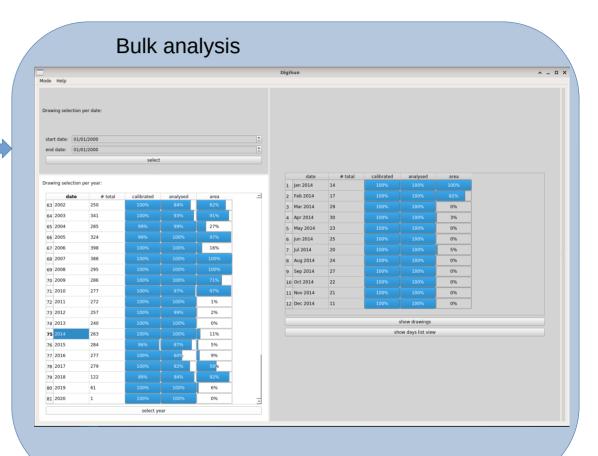
- · Located in Brussels, Belgium
- 16 cm Merz-Grubb refractor
- Observation since 1940, without interruption → homogeneous collection over 80 years
- Taken daily if weather permits
- On average: 263.2 drawings/year



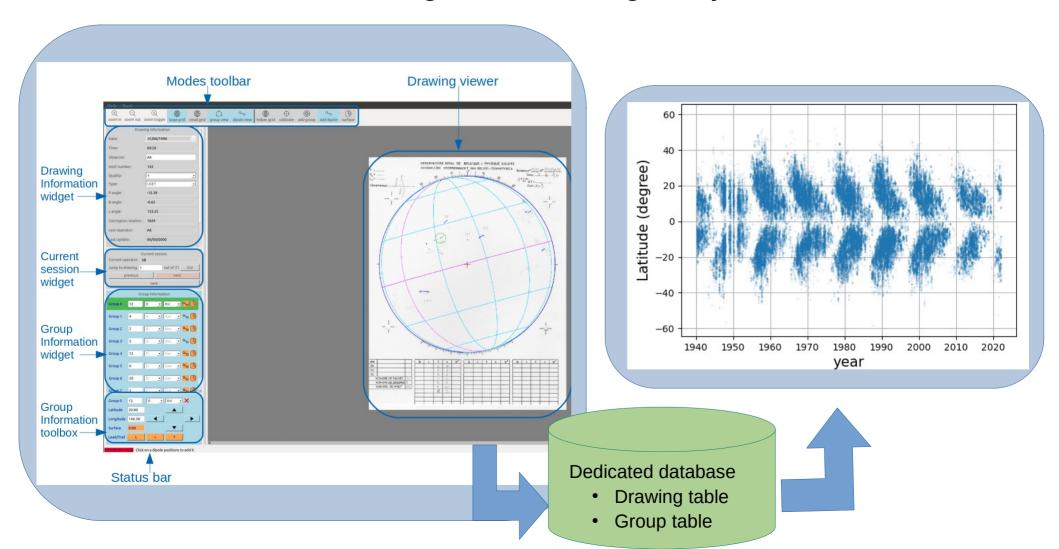
DigiSun: the software



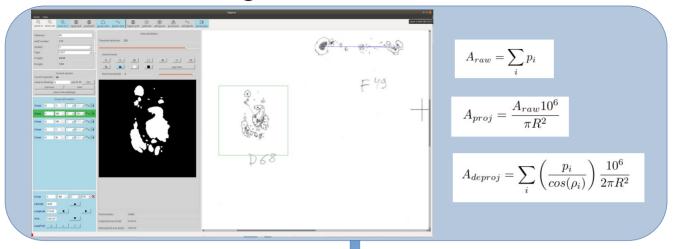


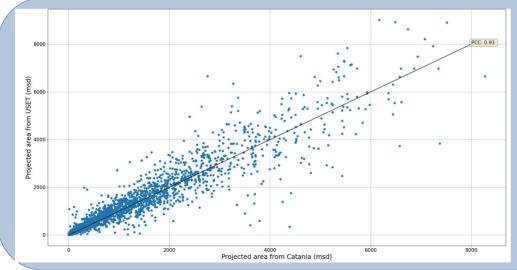


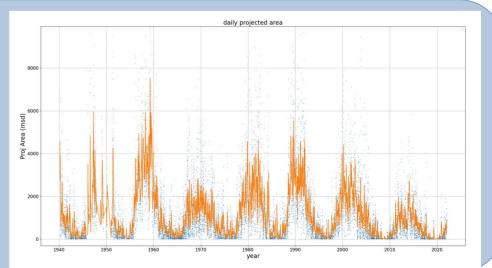
DigiSun: drawing analysis



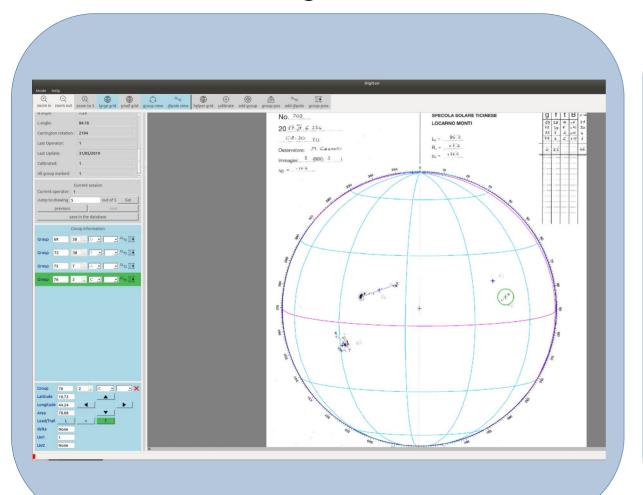
DigiSun : the area module







DigiSun: Distribution to other observatories



- Easy to share
 - Modularity
 - Portability
 - Flexibility
- Successful collaboration with the Specola Observatory in Locarno
 - Different drawing orientation
 - Additional fields (group number, weighted sunspot number)
- Better standardization of data extracted from solar collection
 - Inter-operable data
 - Fill the gap due to bad weather
 - Extend data in the past