Garmisch positive dip update, Ralf Sussmann and Markus Rettinger



Sub linear ("negative dip")

True irradiance



True irradiance



Garmisch dip levels [+0.0005; +0.00075] had been the highest positive ones in the network



Cause for positive (Garmisch) dip?

- No dip before 13 Dec 2007
- Changed detector on 13 Dec 2007
- Dip since then between +0.0005 and +0.00075
- Reduction of O2_cl in 2016 due to mirror degradation:

- XCO2 errors became significant

- dip decreased but still too large (≈+0.0003)
- \Rightarrow no way for Garmisch to get rid of the dip

by attenuating the solar beam

Hypothesis: The (bad?) detector inserted on 13 Dec 2007

<u>Test:</u> Perform detector swapping experiments



 The down jump in XCO2 error is coincident with increasing photon intensity by 3.6 (removing the attenuator).

Plan: Swap good Zugspitze InGaAs into Garmisch FTS

Zugspitze DIP timeseries: DIP [0; 0.00008]



Problem: 1994 Zugspitze InGaAs didn't fit into Garmisch instrument
 > ordered electronics/mechanics adapter from Bruker



The (bad?) modern Garmisch InGaAs

The good 1994 Zugspitze InGaAs with adapter



Solar measurements with Zugspitze InGaAs @ Garmisch FTS: Unsucessful 1st attempt



- Dip not smaller with Zugspitze InGaAs as expected (0.00008), but indeed a factor 10 higher than with Garmisch InGaAs
- <u>Possible cause</u>: We had not realigned the focusing mirror before the detector after detector swapping

Redo the experiment: realignment of focusing mirror allowed to increase
 peak amplitude 9000 -> 27000, with the following result:

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Success after realignment of focusing mirror



Ordered a new InGaAs for the Garmisch FTS: Also no positive dip but differing O2-cl sensitivity





Focal distance tuning experiment with new InGaAs



Conclusions to avoid positive dips

- attenuate solar irradiance until your XCO2 errors start to rise
 if you still have a positive dip ⇒
- try another detector
- carefully *x*-*y*-align the focusing mirror to the most sensitive position of the detector element
- carefully check correct focal distance to the detector

never drink such stuff ...