# update on BRTF measurements <a href="mailto:pab gonio">pab gonio</a>–photometer II



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measurement of light scattering (BRTF) and lamps



#### pab photo-goniometer II

advantages:

servo drives & controlincreased speed higher precision

arbitrary scan paths
faster measurements

15 years BRTF experience optimized design

Linux controlled direct coupling of signal and position

modular design
adaptable to special needs

please find more information at http://www.pab-opto.de/gonio-photometer

#### pab-goniometer II news 2006

- enhanced signal/noise ratio of detector, higher dynamic range
- design of sample changer completed, incl sample RFID reader
- control of multiple light sources fully integrated
- switched from filesystem to database for BRTF data storage

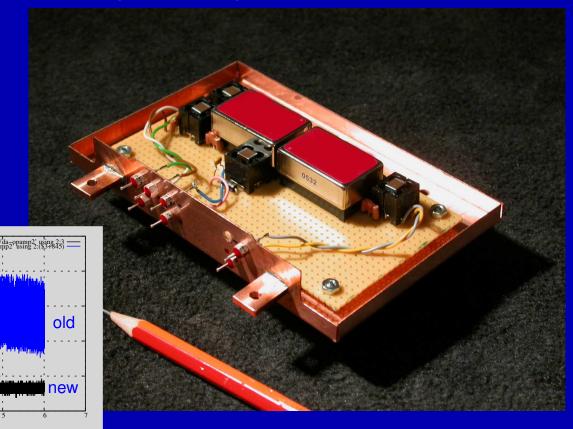
minor technical detail: prototype lamp control unit (USB interface)



standard detector head (shielded, max 5 sensors)

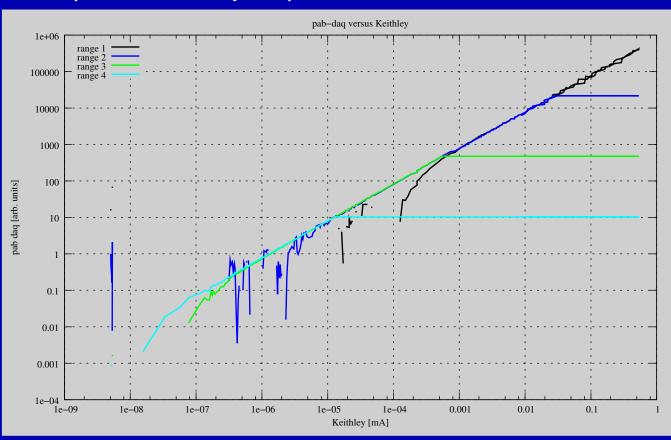


new minor technical detail: DC power without peaks



#### sensor signal:

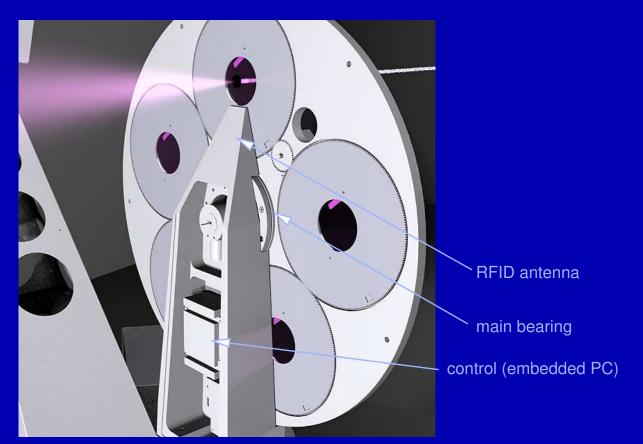
comparison with Keithley 6485 picoammeter



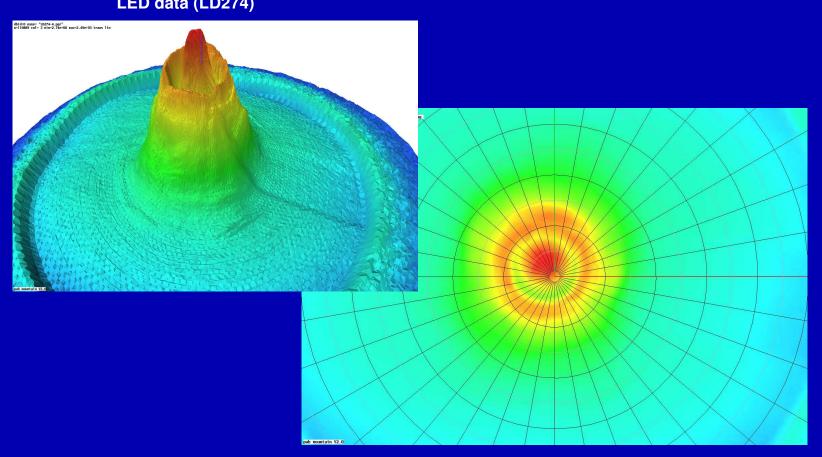
new: sample changer



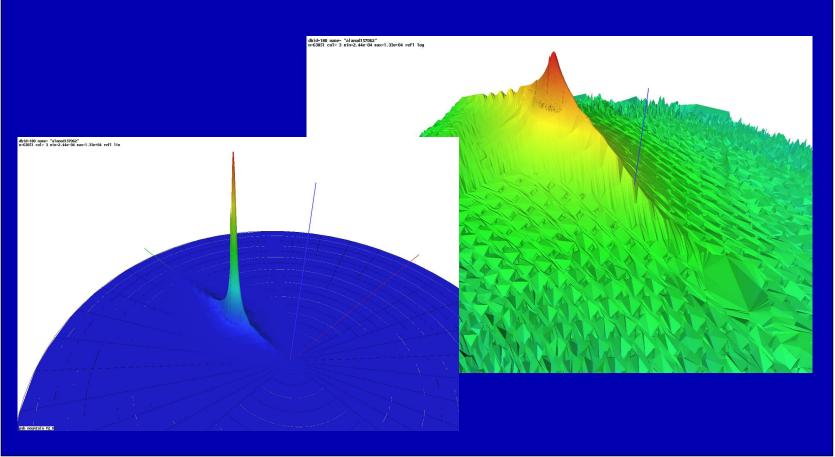
new: sample RFID, less self shadowing, larger samples



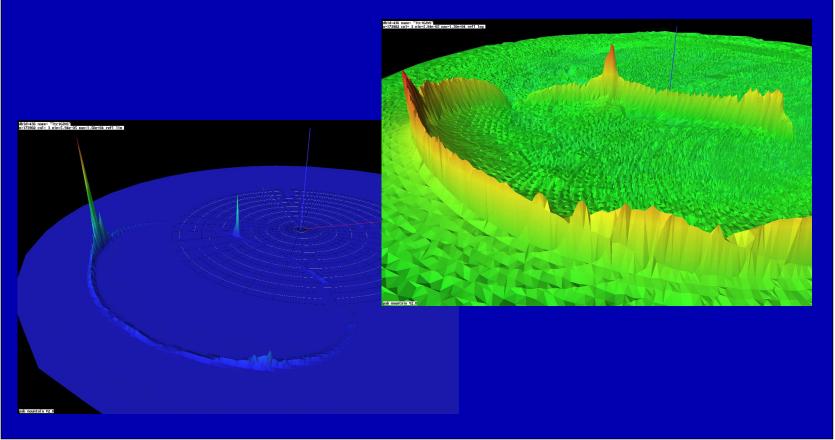
LED data (LD274)



Aluminium data (Alanod 157062)



roof material (Lexan Thermoclear)



#### minor thoughts on Radiance

funding of current caretaking:

crossfunding (freetime funded by Radiance–based projects)
young enthusiasts (aka students)
add–ons funded in context of project

no todo–list, no road map

#### minor thoughts on Radiance

#### number of developpers ?

quality assurance & test-releases (technically no problem, but socially ?) we may need software branches – will they mess up the release process ? serious software contributors must be prepared to maintain their work (for years) this is especially relevant to university projects (tutors, please take note) funding (!)

#### road map & transparent SW development

funding scheme needed for implementation of new features deemed 'urgent'

#### documentation

community of primary writers/compilers estimated at 5–10 folks (per planet) hierachical structure needed to insert and retrieve information configurable responsibilty for contents (for a branch of the doc tree) comments open to all (but clearly marked as such)

target: ease use, put Radiance on broader base

- many thanks for your attention
- happy rendering
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