

VLOF

Mobile measuring set for testing VIS-NIR cameras



Fig. 1. Photo of the VLOF measuring set

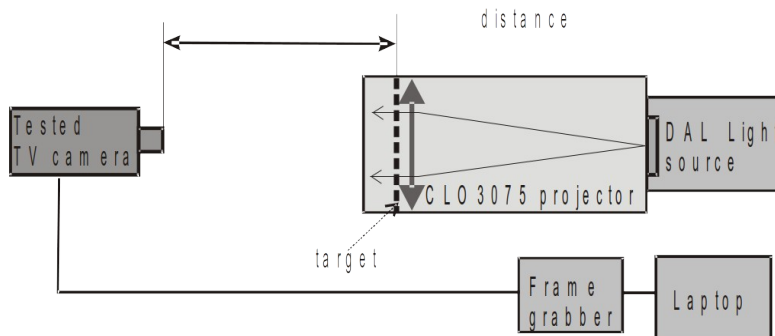


Fig.2. Block diagram of the VLOF measuring set

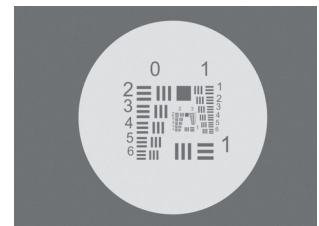


Fig.2. Image of USAF 1951 target generated by tested TV camera during MRC measurements

BASIC INFORMATION:

The VLOF measuring set is a mobile variable distance measuring system that project images of a set of standard targets directly to the tested VIS/NIR camera. The tested camera generates a distorted copies of the projected images. Quality of the images generated by the VIS-NIR camera is evaluated and its important characteristics are measured.

The VLOF test set does not use collimator for image projection and the distance target- camera must be longer than the minimal focusing distance of the tested imager. Therefore VLOF is optimized for testing short/medium range cameras. Different patterns can be projected into the direction of the tested imager. All

important parameters of surveillance VIS/NIR cameras can be measured but VLOF system is recommended for basic tests of cameras (resolution, MRC, sensitivity, dynamic range).

The VLOF test system are recommended for testing VIS-NIR cameras field conditions or at laboratory/depot conditions when a long corridor as a test place can be used. Accuracy of measurements with VLOF test systems is similar as accuracy of measurements with laboratory class TVT/VINIS systems assuming proper measurement conditions.

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FEATURES:

- Versatile measuring tool that can be used in both field and laboratory applications
- Enable testing both level TV cameras and LLLTV cameras for night applications
- Small size test set suitable for field/depot applications
- No limitations on optical aperture of tested TV cameras when minimal distance between the VLOF measuring set and the tested imager is higher than the minimal focusing distance of the tested imager
- Possible to test TV cameras from some distance (no necessity to remove imager from a helicopter to test it)
- A few TV cameras can be tested at the same time (VLOF can project imagers to a few TV cameras at the same time)
- Test capabilities: resolution, MRC, MTF, sensitivity, NEI, FPN, non uniformity, SNR, distortion, FOV

SPECIFICATIONS

Parameter	Value
Modules	LS-DAL light source, CLO3075 projector, set of targets, transport box/tripod, laptop, frame grabber, TAS-V computer program, LS Control program
Light emitting aperture	Diameter 300 mm
Uniform aperture	Diameter 250 mm
Modes of work light source:	1) halogen bulb of 2856K color temperature for night and typical day simulation 2) white LED of color temperature over 5000K for simulation of ultra bright days
Total luminance range of light source	30 $\mu\text{cd}/\text{m}^2$ – 3 kcd/m^2
Simulated illuminance ranges (approximate values)	About 100 μlx – 10 klx
Spectral band	Calibrated for testing VIS-NIR cameras of spectral band not wider than 400-1100nm
Targets	Set of five variable contrast USF 1951 targets, edge target, distortion/FOV target
PC Control	USB 2.0 (all functions of LS-DAL light source)
Accepted electronic image formats	Analog (PAL, NTSC), USB 2.0 and optional: HD-SDI, Camera Link, LVDS, GigE
Mass	22 kg
Dimensions	350x350x1100 mm
Operating temperature range	5°C to 40°C
Storage temperature range	5°C to 55°C
Humidity	Up to 95% (non-condensing)
Power	AC230/110 V (option: DC12V)

*specifications are subject to change without prior notice

VERSIONS

LOF-A: Test capabilities: resolution, MRC

LOF-B : Test capabilities: Basic version: resolution, MRC; Expanded version: resolution, MRC, MTF, sensitivity, NEI, FPN, non uniformity, SNR, distortion, FOV.

Options: a)customized light intensity range, b)internal control keyboard of LS-DAL light source.

Version 1.4

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