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APOGEE PYRANOMETERS

Silicon-cell & Thermopile Series



Features

Apogee offers silicon-cell and thermopile

pyranometers that are both rated ISO 9060:2018 Class C (fast response). Our popular silicon-cell models are less expensive and have a faster response time, but can have errors under cloudy conditions. Our thermopile pyranometers feature a unique, cost-effective design with an inexpensive diffuser and blackbody thermopile detector that provides a broader and more uniform spectral response for better performance in all atmospheric conditions.

STABLE MEASUREMENTS

Long-term non-stability determined from multiple replicate pyranometers in accelerated aging tests and field conditions is less than 2 % per year.

UNIQUE DESIGN

An accurate, cosine-corrected patented design sheds water and dirt for a self-cleaning performance. A heated option is available with a 0.2 W heater to minimize errors caused by dew, frost, or snow.

TYPICAL APPLICATIONS

- Solar panel arrays
- Agricultural, ecological, and hydrological weather networks

CALIBRATION TRACEABILITY

Apogee SP series pyranometers are calibrated through side-by-side comparison to the mean of four transfer standard sensors under a reference lamp. The reference sensors are recalibrated under sunlight in Logan, UT traceable to the World Radiometric Reference (WRR) in Davos, Switzerland.







THERMOPILE PYRANOMETERS

SP-510, SP-610, & SP-522

Blackbody accuracy with a cost-effective design

Output Options

- 0 to 114 mV
- Modbus
- Downward sensor available for measuring shortwave reflectance, or combine with an upward head to measure albedo (see SP-710-SS albedometer package)



Product Specifications

	SP-510-SS	SP-610-SS	SP-522-SS			
ISO 9060:2018	Class C (fast response)	N/A	Class C (fast response)			
Sensitivity (variable from sensor to sensor, typical values listed)	0.045 mV per W m ⁻²	0.035 mV per W m ⁻²	_			
Calibration Factor (reciprocal of sensitivity) (variable from sensor to sensor, typical values listed)	22 W m ⁻² per mV	28.5 W m⁻² per mV	_			
Input Voltage Requirement	-	5.5 to 24 V				
Calibration Uncertainty at 1000 W m ⁻²	Less than 3 %					
Output Range	0 to 90 mV	0 to 70 mV	Modbus			
Measurement Range	0 to 2000 W m ⁻² (net shortwave radiation)					
Measurement Repeatability	Less than 1 %					
Long-term Drift	Less than 2 % per year					
Non-linearity	Less than 1 %					
Detector Response Time	0.	0.5 s (baudrate dependent)				
Field of View	180° 150°		180°			
Spectral Range (50 % points)	385 nm to 2105 nm	370 nm to 2240 nm	385 nm to 2105 nm			
Directional (Cosine) Response	Less than 30 W m ⁻² at 80° solar zenith	Less than 20 W m ⁻² for angles between 0 and 60°	Less than 30 W m ⁻² at 80° solar zenith			
Temperature Response	Less than 5 % from -15 to 45 C					
Zero Offset A	Less than 2 W m ⁻² ; Less than 10 W m ⁻² (heated)	Less than 2 W m ⁻² ; Less than 10 W m ⁻² (heated)	Less than 2 W m ⁻² ; Less than 10 W m ⁻² (heated)			
Zero Offset B	Less than 5 W m ⁻²					
Uncertainty with Daily Total	Less than 5 %					
Operating Environment	-50 to 80 C; 0 to 100% relative humidity					
Heater	780 $\Omega,15.4$ mA current draw and 18	4 mA (heater off); 30 mA (heater on)				
Dimensions	23.5 mm diameter, 28.7 mm height	23.5 mm diameter, 27.5 mm height	30.5 mm diameter, 37 mm height			
Mass	90 g	100 g	140 g			
Cable	5 m of four conductor, shielded, twisted-pair wire; TPR jacket (high water resistance, high UV stability, flexibility in cold conditions); pigtail lead wires					
Warranty	4 years against defects in materials and workmanship					



SILICON-CELL PYRANOMETERS

SP-100, SP-200, & SP-400 Series

Accurate and stable global shortwave (solar) radiation measurement		Spectral Response
Output Options	Made in USA	60 e0
 0 to 350 mV 0 to 5 V USB Modbus 0 to 2.5 V 4 to 20 mA SDI-12 Hand-held meter 	MP-200	^S 0.4 0.3 0.2 0.1 0.0 100 1100 1200
		Wavelength [nm] Spectral response estimate of Apogee silicon-cell pyranometers.
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	SP-110-SS	SP-212-SS	SP-214-SS	SP-215-SS	SP-230-SS	SP-420	SP-421-SS	SP-422-SS		
ISO 9060:2018	Class C (fast response)									
Power Supply	Self-powered	5 to 24 V DC	7 to 24 V DC	5.5 to 24 V DC	12 V DC for heater	5 V USB	5.5 T0 24 V DC			
Current Draw	-	300 μΑ	22 mA maximum, 2 mA quiescent	300 μΑ	15.4 mA	61 mA when logging	1.5 mA (quiescent); 1.9 mA (active)	RS-232 37 mA; RS- 485 quiescent 37 mA, active 42 mA		
Output (sensitivity)	0.2 mV per W m⁻²	1.25 mV per W m⁻²	0.008 mA per W m⁻²	2.5 mV per W m⁻²	0.2 mV per W m⁻²	USB	SDI-12	Modbus		
Calibration Factor (reciprocal of output)	5 W m⁻² per mV	0.8 W m ⁻² per mV	125 W m ⁻² per mA, 4 mA offset	0.4 W m⁻² per mV	5 W m⁻² per mV	Custom for each sensor and stored in firmware				
Calibration Uncertainty at 1000 W m ⁻²	Less than 3 %									
Measurement Repeatability	Less than 1 %									
Long-term Drift	Less than 2 % per year									
Non-linearity	Less than 1 % up to 2000 W m ⁻²									
Response Time	Less than 1 ms					Updates every second	Less than 0.6 s	Less than 200 ms		
Field of View		180°								
Spectral Range		360 to 1120 nm								
Directional (Cosine) Response	± 5 % at 75° zenith angle									
Temperature Response	0.04 ± 0.04 % per C									
Operating Environment		-40 to 70 C; 0 to 100 % relative humidity; can be submerged in water up to 30 m								
Dimensions	24 mm d; 33 mm h	30.5 mm diameter, 37 mm height			24 mm d; 33 mm h	30.5 mm diameter, 37 mm height				
Mass (with 5 m of cable)	90 g		140 g		90 g					
Cable	5 m of shielded, twisted-pair wire; TPR jacket (high water resistance, high UV stability, flexibility in cold conditions); pigtail lead wires									
Warranty	4 years against defects in materials and workmanship									





Dimensions

Thermopile Models

All other silicon-cell pyranometer models and SP-522-SS



Digital Models

SP-420 USB

Sensor connects to computers and tablets via USB using ApogeeConnect software for Windows and Mac for data logging, graphs, calibration, real-time PPFD readings, and storing downloadable CSV files for further analysis. Sensor can also store 10,000 measurements internally while connected to a standalone 5 V DC USB "always-on" power source.

SP-421 SDI-12

Uses the SDI-12 communication protocol, which is low-power and has the ability to connect multiple sensors to one long bus cable making them ideal for remote locations. Cables only have 3 conductors including a serial data line, a ground, and a 12-volt line. Complex self-calibration algorithms are done in an internal microprocessor making the sensors compatible with a wide variety of data recorders.

SP-422 & SP-522 Modbus

The SP-422 outputs a digital signal using Modbus RTU digital signal over RS-232 or RS-485, based on wiring configuration. Modbus is open protocol and used by many manufacturers in numerous industries.

Apogee Modbus Sensor Communication Defaults: Modbus RTU Slave address: 0x1 Baudrate: 19200 Data bits: 8 Stop bits: 1 Parity: None Byte order: Big Endian (most significant Byte sent first) *User configurable values include the baudrate and slave address.

