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Image Analysis I – Image Processing and the Ring Nebula

Pre-Lab Quiz

Record your team's answers as well as your reasonings and explanations.

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Part 1: Measuring the Height of the Danforth Chapel

This PC → Astronomy_Lab_images → Terrestrial → (Chapel in R, G, B filters)

1. Under "Color", click "Combine Color" and determine the mixing ratio of your red, green, and blue filter images that produces the most realistic image. Note: You can adjust the contrast using the screen stretch tool (ctrl+h).

Filter	R	G	B
Value			

2. Explain how you judged that the image looked “realistic”.

3. What is the angular size ("height") of the chapel in pixels? Use the information window (ctrl + i) and set the mode to "area".

4. If the pixel scale of the image is 4' (arcminutes) / pixel, what is the angular size of the chapel in degrees?

Note: $1^\circ = 60' = 3600''$ (arcseconds).

5. Determine the height of the Danforth chapel in meters if the photographer measured their distance from the chapel and it was 46 meters away. You will need to use the Small Angle Formula (**consider that your angular size is in degrees, not radians**). Show your work and include units in your answer.

Part 2: The Ring Nebula (M57)

This PC → Astronomy_Lab_images → Nebula → Ring Nebula M57 (R, V, B filters)

1. Make a tricolor image of the Ring Nebula. Note the following
 - For the green color, select the "V" filter image.
 - Click the "Align" option in the "Combine Color" window.
 - ◆ Set the "Align Mode" to "Auto – star matching" and click "OK"

The last part will align the stars, which are slightly offset from one image to the next.

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2. Why are the inner and outer regions different colors?

3. What type of star is at the center of this planetary nebula and what is its surface temperature?

4. If a typical planetary nebula is 1 light year in diameter, how far away is the Ring Nebula located in light years? Show your work and include units in your answer.

Note: The pixel scale of the image is 0.73" / pixel.