



**ABSOLUTE GRAVITY MEASUREMENTS AT THE ALPINE
RESEARCH CENTRE IN OBERGUGL (AUSTRIA)
IN SEPTEMBER 2018**

Final Report

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Foreword

This report contains the results of absolute gravity measurements carried out at Alpine Research Centre (University of Innsbruck) in Obergurgl. The measurements took place on the pier 0-173-02 (Figure 1) in September 2018.

The absolute gravimeter FG5X#216 was operated by Olivier Francis and Sajad Tabibi from the University of Luxembourg.

The measurements are part of an on-going research collaboration between the Geophysics Laboratory of the University of Luxembourg and Christian Ullrich from the Bundesamt für Eich- und Vermessungswesen (BEV, Federal Office of Metrology and Surveying) in Vienna, Austria.

After the completion of the measurements, the pier was occupied with the FG5#242 of the BEV. The comparison of the g -values will be used to estimate the offset between both gravimeters to ensure consistency of the results while different gravimeters will be used in the coming years.



Figure 1. Pier at the Alpine Research Centre (University of Innsbruck) in Obergurgl.

Data processing

Raw data from the absolute gravimeters consist of vectors of time and position of the falling object during the drops. To obtain the gravity value, a linear equation representing the equation of motion is fit to the raw data including the gravity gradient which has been measured with relative meters.

The data processing follows the protocol adopted during absolute gravimeters comparisons at the BIPM in Sèvres (Francis and van Dam, 2003). Geophysical corrections are applied to the raw gravity data: Earth tides using modelled tidal parameters, atmospheric pressure effect using a constant admittance, and the polar motion effect using pole positions from the International Earth Rotation Service (<http://hpiers.obspm.fr>).

The g-soft v9.12.04.23 software from Microg-LaCoste Inc. was used for the processing. All the text outputs as well as some figures are compiled in the annexes of this report for future reference.

Vertical Gravity Gradient

The vertical gravity gradient is needed to linearize the equation of motion but also to transfer the measured absolute gravity value from the reference height around 1.3 m to the desired height (1.22 in the present report). Its determination requires relative measurements using a smaller and portable relative gravimeter. We used $-1.82 \mu\text{Gal}/\text{cm}$. This value was provided by Christian Ullrich.

Results of the absolute gravity measurements

The FG5X#216 operated from the 17th of September 2018 at 09:45 UTC until the 8th of September 2018 at 12:55 UTC. A total of 51 sets of 100 drops (1 drop /10 sec) were taken with a rate of 1 set per hour. It represents a total of 5100 drops.

Site	Gravity value/ μGal	Mean Set Standard Deviation/ μGal
AGM @ 1.22 m	980 239 670.04	0.66

Reference

Francis O., van Dam T.M., Processing of the Absolute data of the ICAG01, *Cahiers du Centre Européen de Géodynamique et de Séismologie*, vol.22, 45-48, 2003.
<https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.7890604>

ANNEXES

STATION: Alpine Research Centre (University of Innsbruck) in Obergurgl			
City:	Obergurgl	Country:	Austria
Location:	Alpine Research Centre	Particularity:	
Situation:	Pier 0-173-02	Remarks:	
Date:	17-18 September 2018		
Code number:	0-173-02		
Latitude:	46.86709 degrees		
Longitude:	11.02489 degrees		
Elevation:	1935.40 m		
Gradient:	-1.82 µgal/cm		
Reference height	0. 1290 m + 1.2583 m = 1.3873 m		
Meter:	FG5X		
S/N:	216		
Tidal corrections using observed tidal parameters			
Polar motion correction		Air pressure correction	
X-coordinate	0.2121	Arc seconds	Nominal air pressure: 801.35 mbar
Y-coordinate	0.3502	Arc seconds	Barometric admittance factor 0.3 µgal/mbar
Gravity			
Set gravity mean:	980 239 670.04	microgal	
Set std. dev.:	0.66	microgal	
Mean std. dev.:	6.13	microgal	
Number of sets:	51		
Number of drops per set:	100		
Drop interval:	10 seconds		
Set interval:	60 minutes		
Nominal/datum height:	1.22 m		
Author: O. Francis	University of Luxembourg		
Date: October 10, 2018			

Project file

Micro-g LaCoste g Processing Report
File Created: 11/06/18, 12:47:56

Project Name: OB201809
g Acquisition Version: 9.160516
g Processing Version: 9.120423

Company/Institution:
Operator: Olivier Francis

Station Data

Name: OBERGURLP
Site Code: PIER 0-173-02
Lat: 46.86709 Long: 11.02489 Elev: 1935.40 m
Setup Height: 12.90 cm
Transfer Height: 122.00 cm
Actual Height: 138.73 cm
Gradient: -1.820 $\mu\text{Gal}/\text{cm}$
Nominal Air Pressure: 801.35 mBar
Barometric Admittance Factor: 0.30
Polar Motion Coord: 0.2121 " 0.3502 "
Earth Tide (ETGTAB) Selected
Potential Filename: C:\gData\gWavefiles\ETCPOT.dat
Delta Factor Filename: D:\ABSOLU\DATA\INI\OceanLoad-OBERGURLP.dff
Delta Factors

Start	Stop	Amplitude	Phase	Term
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0.000002	0.249951	1.160000	0.0000	Long
0.721500	0.906315	1.154250	0.0000	Q1
0.921941	0.974188	1.154240	0.0000	O1
0.989049	0.998028	1.149150	0.0000	P1
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1.991787	2.002885	1.161720	0.0000	S2
2.003032	2.182843	1.161720	0.0000	K2
2.753244	3.081254	1.07338	0.0000	M3
3.791964	3.937897	1.03900	0.0000	M4

Ocean Load ON, Filename: D:\ABSOLU\DATA\INI\OceanLoad-OBERGURLP.olf
Waves: M2 S2 K1 O1 N2 P1 K2 Q1 Mf Mm Ssa
Amplitude (μGal): 1.447 0.478 0.134 0.135 0.294 0.047 0.125 0.037 0.000 0.000 0.000
Phase (deg): 56.2 28.4 71.9 -188.8 73.5 84.3 26.6 -131.8 0.0 0.0 0.0

Instrument Data

Meter Type: FG5
Meter S/N: X216
Factory Height: 125.83 cm
Rubidium Frequency: 10000000.00000 Hz
Laser: WEO100 (242)
ID: 632.99117754 nm (0.25 V)
IE: 632.99119473 nm (-0.25 V)
IF: 632.99121259 nm (-0.65 V)
IG: 632.99123023 nm (-1.03 V)
IH: 632.99136890 nm (-1.63 V)
II: 632.99139822 nm (-1.38 V)
IJ: 632.99142704 nm (-1.15 V)
Modulation Frequency: 8333.340 Hz

Processing Results

Date: 09/18/18
 Time: 00:15:42
 DOY: 261
 Year: 2018
 Time Offset (D h:m:s): 0 0:0:0
 Gravity: 980239670.04 μGal
 Set Scatter: 0.66 μGal
 Measurement Precision: 0.09 μGal
 Total Uncertainty: 0.09 μGal
 Number of Sets Collected: 53
 Number of Sets Processed: 51
 Set #s Processed:
 2,3,4,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20,21,22,23,24,25,26,27,28,29,30,31,32,33,34,35,36,37,38,39,40,41,
 42,43,44,45,46,47,48,49,50,51,52,53
 Number of Sets NOT Processed: 2
 Set #s NOT Processed: 1,5
 Number of Drops/Set: 100
 Total Drops Accepted: 5074
 Total Drops Rejected: 26
 Total Fringes Acquired: 1100
 Fringe Start: 2
 Processed Fringes: 1030
 GuideCard Multiplex: 4
 GuideCard Scale Factor: 250

Acquisition Settings
 Set Interval: 60 min
 Drop Interval: 10 sec
 Number of Sets: 53
 Number of Drops: 100

Gravity Corrections
 Earth Tide (ETGTAB): -14.60 μGal
 Ocean Load: -0.03 μGal
 Polar Motion: -2.70 μGal
 Barometric Pressure: 3.15 μGal
 Transfer Height: 30.45 μGal
 Reference Xo: 0.00 μGal

Uncertainties
 Sigma Reject: 3.00
 Earth Tide Factor: 0.000
 Average Earth Tide Uncertainty: 0.00 μGal
 Ocean Load Factor: 0.00
 Average Ocean Load Uncertainty: 0.00 μGal
 Barometric: 0.00 μGal
 Polar Motion: 0.00 μGal
 Laser: 0.00 μGal
 Clock: 0.00 μGal
 System Type: 0.00 μGal
 Tidal Swell: 0.00 μGal
 Water Table: 0.00 μGal
 Unmodeled: 0.00 μGal
 System Setup: 0.00 μGal
 Gradient: 0.000 μGal (0.000 $\mu\text{Gal}/\text{cm}$)

Comments:
 Files Merged:
 OB20180917.fg5
 OB20180917a.fg5

Set File

Source Data Filename: OB201809

g Acquisition Version: 9.160516

g Processing Version: 9.120423

Set	Time	DOY	Year	Gravity	Sigma	Error	Uncert	Tide	Load	Baro	Polar	Transfer	Refxo	Tilt	Diffraction	SelfAttract	Temp	Pres	Chan5	Chan6	Chan7	Chan8	Chan9	Chan10	Accept	Reject	
2	09:52:59	260	2018	980239670.425	4.212	0.428	0.428	2.050	-0.860	3.448	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.116812.845	-0.006	184.794		60.505	0.000	0.000	0.000	97	3
3	10:53:00	260	2018	980239670.107	4.302	0.430	0.430	-16.113	-0.722	3.368	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.456812.577	-0.006	167.590		52.180	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0	
4	11:53:00	260	2018	980239671.286	4.152	0.415	0.415	-32.491	-0.440	3.293	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.600812.326	-0.006	156.960		48.110	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0	
6	13:20:51	260	2018	980239670.010	4.027	0.409	0.409	-50.080	0.092	3.127	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	33.098811.773	-0.006	141.567		30.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	97	3	
7	13:50:52	260	2018	980239670.193	4.524	0.452	0.452	-53.978	0.266	3.092	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	33.013811.658	-0.006	149.300		29.930	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0	
8	14:20:51	260	2018	980239670.430	5.054	0.508	0.508	-56.797	0.420	3.026	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	33.118811.438	-0.006	149.101		30.657	0.000	0.000	0.000	99	1	
9	14:50:47	260	2018	980239670.193	4.877	0.493	0.493	-58.615	0.545	3.006	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	33.190811.371	-0.007	146.663		28.878	0.000	0.000	0.000	98	2	
10	15:20:52	260	2018	980239670.433	5.163	0.516	0.516	-59.558	0.635	2.987	-2.697	30.449	0.003	0.000	0.000	0.000	33.273811.306	-0.007	140.750		23.040	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0	
11	15:50:49	260	2018	980239670.607	5.547	0.558	0.558	-59.764	0.686	2.983	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.970811.294	-0.007	83.051	-2.727	0.000	0.000	0.000	99	1		
12	16:20:52	260	2018	980239669.712	4.894	0.489	0.489	-59.403	0.695	3.011	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.998811.385	-0.007	105.020		1.450	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0	
13	16:50:52	260	2018	980239670.057	4.921	0.492	0.492	-58.645	0.663	3.061	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.950811.554	-0.007	95.940	3.560	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0		
14	17:20:51	260	2018	980239669.659	5.574	0.560	0.560	-57.648	0.594	3.120	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.964811.749	-0.007	93.475	3.273	0.000	0.000	0.000	99	1		
15	17:50:52	260	2018	980239670.659	5.430	0.543	0.543	-56.548	0.492	3.172	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.945811.923	-0.007	92.660	-1.430	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0		
16	18:20:52	260	2018	980239671.514	5.502	0.550	0.550	-55.447	0.365	3.207	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.953812.039	-0.007	98.850	-3.620	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0		
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18	19:20:52	260	2018	980239670.980	6.055	0.606	0.606	-53.442	0.071	3.282	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.935812.290	-0.007	91.100	-2.250	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0		
19	19:50:52	260	2018	980239669.842	6.340	0.634	0.634	-52.528	-0.077	3.300	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.854812.349	-0.007	87.070	-4.320	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0		
20	20:20:50	260	2018	980239669.678	6.743	0.678	0.678	-51.594	-0.213	3.342	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.808812.490	-0.007	85.222	-2.808	0.000	0.000	0.000	99	1		
21	20:50:52	260	2018	980239670.395	5.833	0.583	0.583	-50.535	-0.329	3.350	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.758812.515	-0.007	84.700	-9.240	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0		
22	21:20:52	260	2018	980239669.495	6.726	0.673	0.673	-49.225	-0.416	3.329	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.676812.448	-0.007	84.680	-8.400	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0		
23	21:50:52	260	2018	980239669.245	6.172	0.617	0.617	-47.522	-0.470	3.287	-2.697	30.449	0.003	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.692812.307	-0.007	78.170	-6.790	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0		
24	22:20:52	260	2018	980239670.267	6.863	0.686	0.686	-45.284	-0.488	3.282	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.707812.289	-0.007	80.330	-10.370	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0		
25	22:50:52	260	2018	980239671.034	7.269	0.727	0.727	-42.378	-0.467	3.270	-2.697	30.449	0.003	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.582812.249	-0.006	80.490	-13.490	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0		
26	23:20:52	260	2018	980239670.717	6.655	0.665	0.665	-38.696	-0.411	3.214	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.561812.064	-0.006	83.170	-12.460	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0		
27	23:50:52	260	2018	980239670.085	6.431	0.643	0.643	-34.161	-0.323	3.195	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.531811.999	-0.006	83.800	-18.500	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0		
28	00:20:52	261	2018	980239669.177	7.422	0.742	0.742	-28.741	-0.208	3.193	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.549811.993	-0.006	77.180	-11.610	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0		
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31	01:50:52	261	2018	980239669.334	6.093	0.609	0.609	-7.553	0.214	3.134	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.416811.798	-0.007	64.530	-16.290	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0		
32	02:20:52	261	2018	980239668.215	6.249	0.625	0.625	0.765	0.349	3.113	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.355811.728	-0.007	63.190	-18.220	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0		
33	02:50:52	261	2018	980239669.533	6.087	0.609	0.609	9.395	0.467	3.101	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.377811.688	-0.007	60.650	-15.940	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0		
34	03:20:52	261	2018	980239669.524	6.460	0.646	0.646	18.086	0.559	3.111	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.394811.719	-0.007	63.020	-16.300	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0		
35	03:50:52	261	2018	980239669.330	6.130	0.613	0.613	26.558	0.619	3.083	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.301811.627	-0.007	64.210	-23.510	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0		
36	04:20:52	261	2018	980239669.298	6.952	0.695	0.695	34.513	0.641	3.084	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.297811.629	-0.007	58.400	-19.510	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0		
37	04:50:52	261	2018	980239670.131	6.945	0.695	0.695	41.647	0.624	3.080	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.369811.616	-0.007	60.930	-21.880	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0		
38	05:20:52	261	2018	980239669.852	6.477	0.648	0.648	47.666	0.567	3.110	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.306811.716	-0.007	56.050	-14.260	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0		
39	05:50:56	261	2018	980239669.595	5.794	0.585	0.585	52.307	0.474	3.129	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.359811.780	-0.007	62.041	-15.071	0.000	0.000	0.000	98	2		
40	06:20:52	261	2018	980239670.468	6.709	0.671	0.671	55.312	0.348	3.128	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.467811.777	-0.007	58.630	-15.590	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0		
41	06:50:49	261	2018	980239669.726	6.203	0.630	0.630	56.525	0.198	3.105	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.506811.700	-0.007	62.701	-16.969	0.000	0.000	0.000	97	3		
42	07:20:56	261	2018	980239671.018	5.950	0.601	0.601	55.815	0.028	3.105	-2.697	30.449	0.003	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.519811.700	-0.007	66.714	-11.255	0.000	0.000	0.000	98	2		
43	07:50:50	261	2018	980239670.132	7.740	0.782	0.782	53.152	-0.147	3.147	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.496811.841	-0.007	69.143	-12.276	0.000	0.000	0.000	98	2		
44	08:20:52	261	2018	980239670.067	9.630	0.963	0.963	48.546	-0.322	3.150	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.477811.851	-0.007	72.940	-13.910	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0		
45	08:50:52	261	2018	980239669.290	6.837	0.684	0.684	42.128	-0.483	3.157	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	32.519811.872	-0.007	76.950	-10.840	0.000	0.000	0.000	100	0		
46	09:20:52	261	2018	980239669.490	7.118	0.712	0.712	34.088	-0.624	3.127	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0												

52	12:20:52	261	2018	980239668.234	6.915	0.695	0.695	-29.806	-0.687	2.978	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	33.068811.275	-0.007	85.626	-2.222	0.000	0.000	0.000	99	1
53	12:50:50	261	2018	980239670.060	6.029	0.606	0.606	-39.429	-0.560	2.910	-2.697	30.449	0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000	33.046811.050	-0.007	88.424	-2.889	0.000	0.000	0.000	99	1

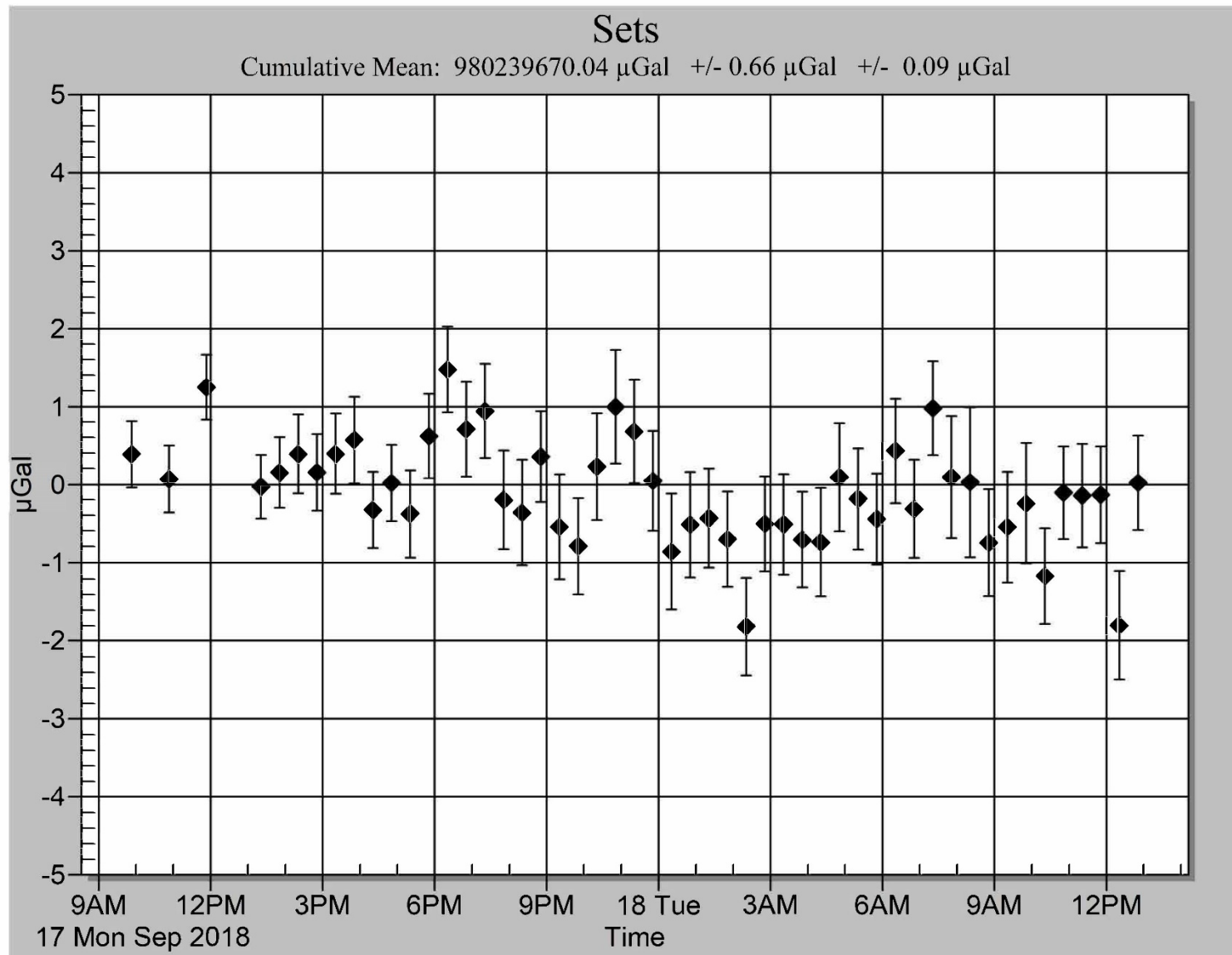


Figure 2. Plot of the set gravity values (1 set = 100 drops).

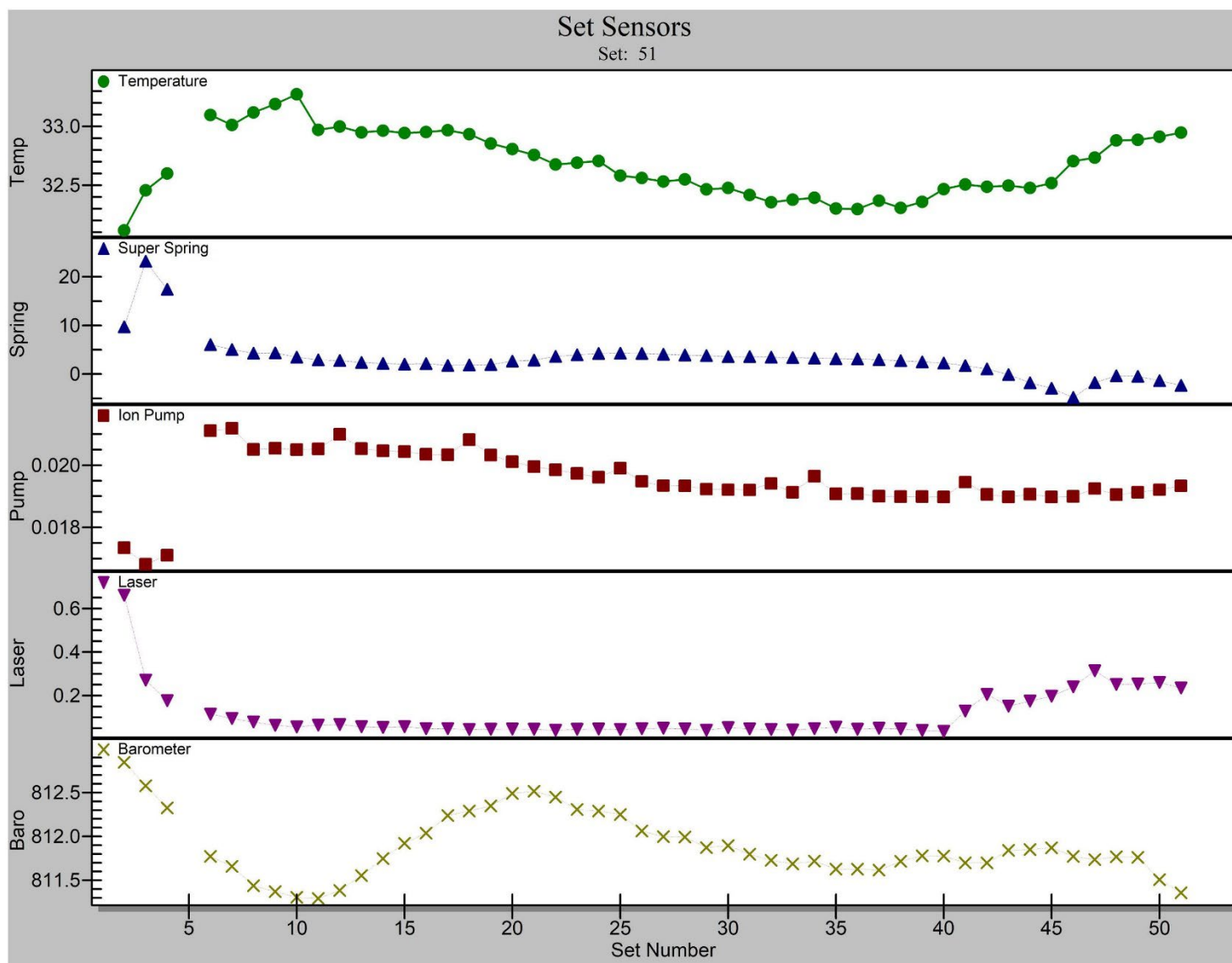


Figure 3. Plot of the set sensor parameters (1 set = 100 drops).

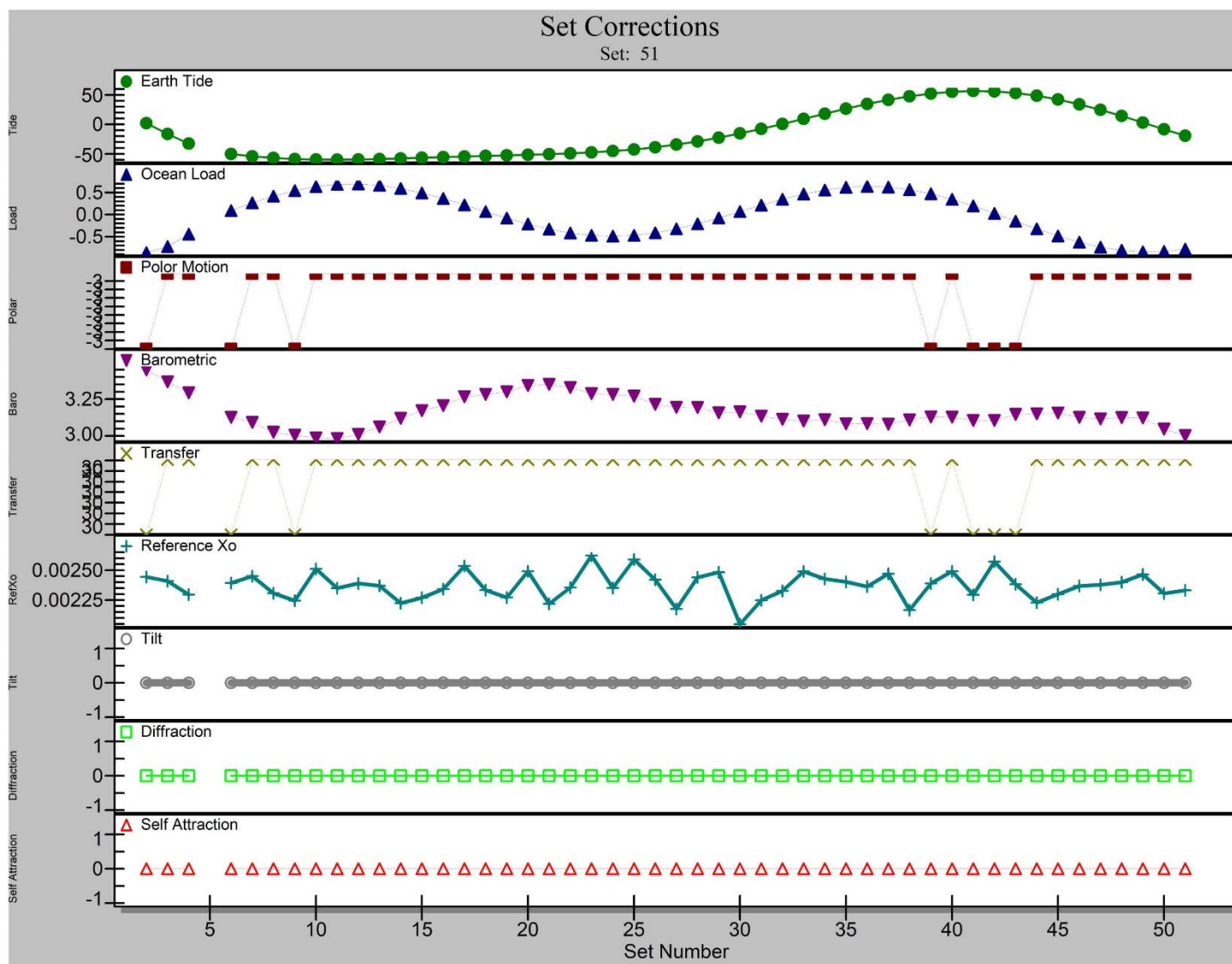


Figure 4. Plot of the set corrections values (1 set = 100 drops).