

### **Observational Exam** – 1<sup>st</sup> attempt

1 – Estimate the field of view of this telescope, using 10mm Plöss eyepiece and *star chart-1*, showing nearby region of open cluster NGC 6231. Star chart 1 shows two angular distances. Use them as reference. Express your answer in arc minutes and tenths of it.

2 -Use *star chart-2* to estimate the magnitude of the missing star, shown as a cross, inside NGC 6231. Use the magnitude of other stars as reference.

**Note**: To avoid confusion between decimal dots and real stars, dots where supressed. So, magnitude 60 corresponds to magnitude 6.0. Give your answer using one decimal figure and 0.1 precision.

3 – Point your telescope to the binary star  $\varepsilon$  - **Trianguli Australis** using *star chart-3* as a guide. That pair components are magnitude 4.1 and 9.3 separated by 82". Choose the best option for the correct color of each star:

Brighter:	White/blue (	)	Yellow (	)	Red (	)
Dimmer:	White/blue (	)	Yellow (	)	Red (	)

4 – Identify objects pointed by the evaluator as Open Cluster (OC), Globular Cluster (GC), Emission Nebulae (EN) or Planetary Nebulae (PN).

Object 1	(	)	Object 3	(	)
Object 2	(	):	Object 4	(	)

5 - Use your green laser pointer to spot the stars Antares, Vega, Altair and Peacock. Also point to the constellation Corona Australis.

#### Material needed for each student:

Red flashlight, green laser pointer, chair, table, pencil, rubber and clipboard.



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#### Chart 1 – NGC 6231 Field of view





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### **Observational Exam** – 2<sup>nd</sup> attempt

1- Use your green laser pointer to aim at 3 zodiacal constellations of your choice.

2 - Point to  $\beta$  and  $\nu$  scorpii (star chart-4), two binary stars. Use 2x Barlow + 10mm eyepiece to determine the main difference on both stars, besides differences in distance between the components and magnitude.

3 – Point your telescope to the star SAO 209318 (star chart-5). Pay attention to a small nebulous patch close to that star. Use your 10mm or 10mm + 2x Barlow to estimate the distance between the star and the nebulous patch, in arc minutes. (coordinates to SAO 209318 are RA: 17h50m51s and Dec:  $-37^{\circ}02'$ ). Express your answer using 0.5' precision, knowing that field of view of the 10mm eyepiece on this telescope is 24 arcminutes or 0.4°.

4 – Point your telescope to the binary star Albireo ( $\beta$ -Cygni) using **star chart-6** as guide. That pair components are magnitude 3.2 and 4.7 separeted by 34.8" (2010). Choose the best option for the correct color of each star:

Brighter:	White ()	blue (	)	Yellow (	)	Red (	)
Dimmer:	White ()	blue (	)	Yellow (	)	Red (	)

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Object 1	(	)	Object 3	(	)
Object 2	(	):	Object 4	(	)

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### Chart 6 – Cygnus

