

**Galilean Nights Event ID:** gn994

**Number of telescopes:** 2 telescopes (1 ATY2009, 1 Bressel Skylux 312), 1 binocular (60\*90)

**Number of organisers:** 1

**Number of attendees:** 38

**Event photos:** <http://www.flickr.com/photos/44442086@N04/>

**Event Report:**

Although the weather was clear, since there were a small artificial pond nearby, after a while through the observation our papers suffered from humid air.

The main targets were the Moon and the Jupiter.

37 freshmen students of astronautical engineering departments were required to prepare observation reports. There they would draw the craters of the Moon and the position of the satellites of the Jupiter, just as Galileo did 400 hundred years ago. They also recorded the approximate azimuth and elevation angles of the targets; the type of the telescope, and the eyepiece they have used.

A picture of one of the reports is among the pictures.

Our Plan B was to sit in the classroom and watch some astronomy videos and discuss about them. We also had some number of hand-made different Galileoscopes whose primary lenses were glass lenses having different dioptr values. We would study them and choose the best one.

That was the first experience with a telescope for most of the students. Seeing the excitement in their eyes was a great pleasure for me as an organizer.

As the weather permits, we will repeat the activities in the future. In addition to admire the beauty of the nature through the telescopes, this time we will be equipped with some information on astrophotography and some cameras (webcam and others) to try to take some good pictures of celestial objects.