

LIFE AND WORK OF PROFESSOR JOVAN SIMOVLJEVIĆ (1929-2007)

Professor Jovan Simovljević belongs to the narrow circle of the most prominent Serbian astronomers. He contributed significantly to the mathematical and computing methods for the ephemeris computation, as well as for computing total Solar eclipses. As the professor of the Department for astronomy of the Faculty of mathematics of the Belgrade University, he introduced the new subject in undergraduate studies, the theoretical astronomy. Professor Simovljević was a very educated person, he possessed encyclopedic knowledge in many areas, and he was speaking several languages. Many generations of Serbian astronomers in the second half of the twentieth century were his students. Professor Simovljević died in Belgrade on 19. October 2007. In this article, his scientific and personal biography is presented.