

WASP

A new wafer scale imaging camera for the **Palomar Observatory 2018**

E2V 6144x6160 CCD231-C6 Back Illuminated Science Detector

Two STA3600A 2064x2064 Guide and Focus Detectors

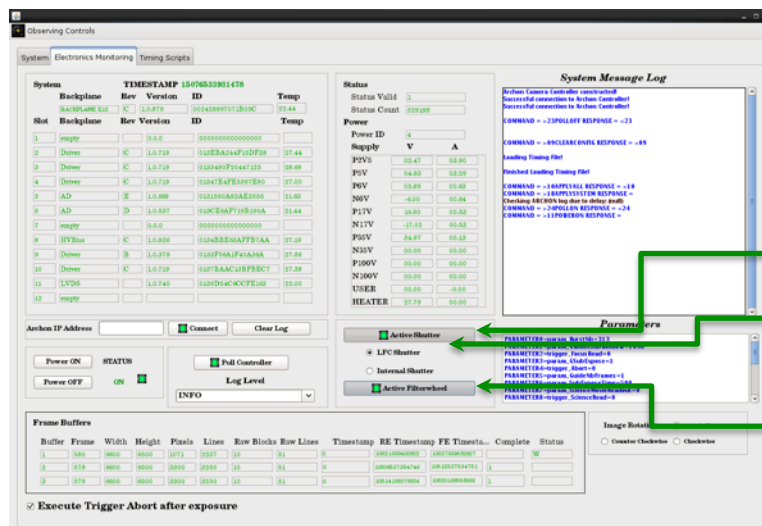
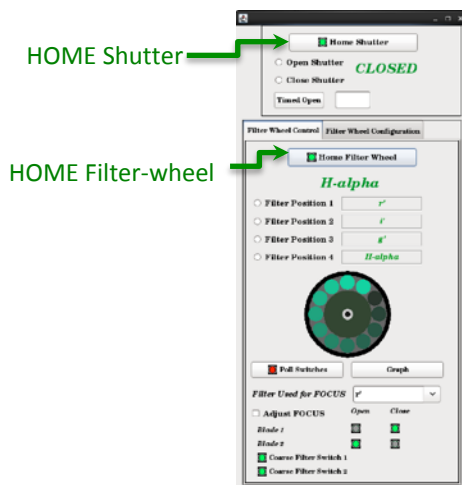
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Quick Start Guide

- Open the following **vnc** desktop on the observer computer (**vncviewer 198.202.125.140:16**)
- Right mouse click on the desktop and select open terminal.
- Start the WASP instrument control software by typing “wasp”
- Open the **“WASP Filter-wheel and Shutter Control”**
- “Home” the shutter first
- “Home” the filter-wheel
- Select filter you wish to focus in.
- Open the **“Electronics Monitoring”** tab and engage **“Activate Shutter”** and **“Activate Filter-wheel”**
- Select **“LFC Shutter”** radiobutton.
- Return to the main panel and engage the **“Display in DS9”** button
- The WASP software is now ready to take images



Quick Start Guide –continued

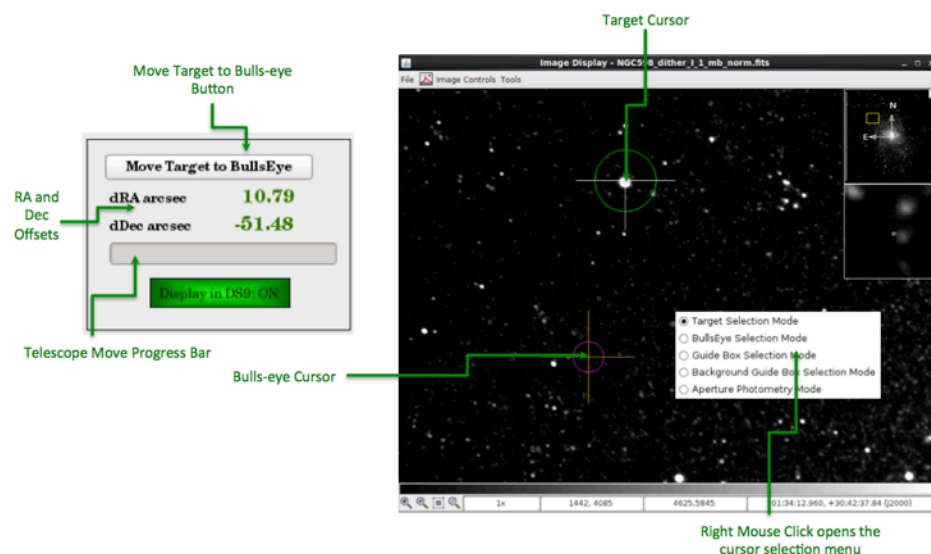
Taking calibration frames while the dome is dark in the afternoon

- Taking BIAS frames:
 - The easiest way to take bias frames is to set the exposure time to 0 seconds.
 - Deactivate the shutter so that it doesn't open ("Activate Shutter" icon should be red not green on the "Electronics Monitoring" tab).
 - Engage the "continuous" button so that it turns from grey to green (to the right of the "GO" button)
 - Press "GO" and then wait for the desired number of frames to be taken.
 - Disengage the "continuous" button so that the system stops taking frames after the desired number have been taken.
 - IMPORTANT: Remember to "Activate Shutter" after the finishing your bias frames
- Taking FLATS
 - The easiest way to take flats is to run a script "flats.txt" that will take 10 images in each of the 4 filter positions.
 - Open the "WASP Script Execution" control.
 - Select the "File" button and open the "flats.txt" script
 - Select the "Script Editor" panel
 - edit the filter names and the output BASENAME for each filter. Be careful with the filter names, they must exactly match the names in the filter GUI
 - Ask the support astronomers for the recommended exposure times and lamp settings for your filters. Edit the exposure time for each filter
 - Press the "Parse Script File" so that the commands table is updated
 - Press the "GO" button on the "WASP Script Execution" control
 - Go the dinner ☺
- Reducing the calibration frames
 - IRAF is installed on the WASP computer and is the typical tool for reducing WASP data.
 - Use imcombine with combine=median to create a master bias frame
 - Use imarith to subtract the master bias from each of the flat field images.
 - Use imcombine to combine the flat field images after the bias has been subtracted using combine=median, scale=mode
 - Run imstat on the combined image to calculate the mode
 - Normalize the combined flat field image by using imarith and divide the image by the mode.
 - Note: you can remove the prescan from a WASP image with *imcopy \$filename[51:6194,1:6160] \$new_filename* for images without overscan.

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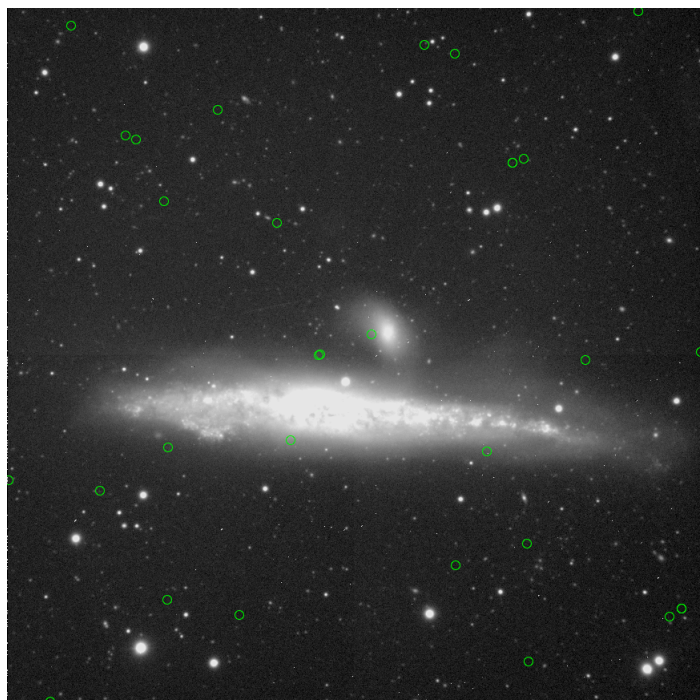
When your first On-Sky

- Establish telescope pointing
 - When you're first on-sky you need to set the telescope pointing so that a requested target star falls directly in the center of the science detector. This is important so that the preliminary WCS in the images is essentially correct.
 - Request that the telescope operator select a bright SAO star near zenith. The star simply needs to be bright enough so that you can easily identify the star in the image.
 - Take a short exposure time image (1 to 10 seconds) and examine where the star lies in the science detector field
 - Use the “Target to Bullseye” function to move the star to the center of the detector.
 - Right mouse click on the image and select the “Target” cursor. Place the target cursor on the SAO star.
 - Right mouse click on the image and select the “Bullseye” cursor. Place the bullseye cursor at the center of the science detector
 - Verify that the delta RA and delta Dec below the “Move Target to Bullseye” button are reasonable.
 - Press the “Move Target to Bullseye” button and then wait for the progress bar to indicate that the move is complete
 - Take a new image and verify that the SAO star is now at the center of the science detector
 - If the SAO star isn't in the exact center of the field then repeat the previous step with “Target to Bullseye”



Quick Start Guide –continued

When your first On-Sky – Calibrating the WCS



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- The image above displays the overlay of the UCAC3 catalog on the image. Note that the stars obviously don't line up correctly.
- It's relatively easy to visualize that the catalog is shifted to the North and West (up and to the right) relative to the image.

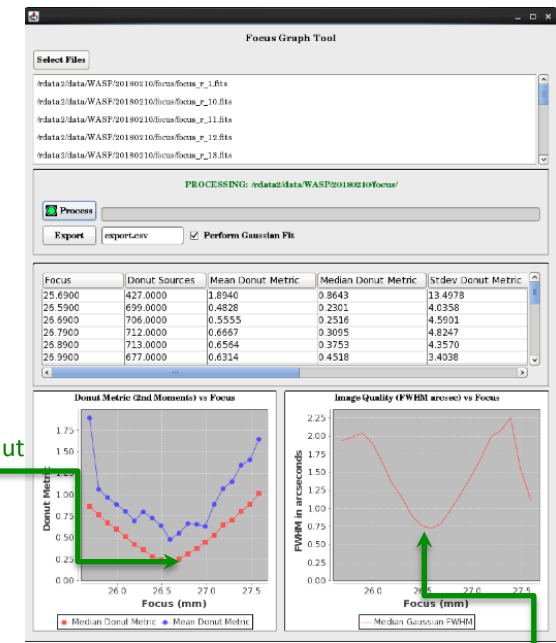
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- Adjust the CRPIX1 and CRPIX2 keywords until the stars in the catalog obviously line up with the stars in the image.
- Since distortions are greatest near the lower right corner it's best to line up stars in the middle of the field and to allow the distortion polynomials to take care of the correction.

Quick Start Guide –continued

Focusing the the telescope

- Focus the telescope
 - If the WASP instrument has just been installed you need to run a complete focus increment set of observations and then analyze the results
 - Open the “WASP Script Execution” control and then open the “focus2.txt” script. This script will take 20 images at focus increments of 0.1mm starting at a value below best focus. (ask the support astronomer if the script has been updated to take a smaller number of images)
 - Run the focus script to create the 20 images
 - Open the “SExtractor” control and press the “Focus Graph Analysis” button to open the control
 - Select the files created by the script by pressing the “Select File” button and browsing for the files.
 - Press “Process” and wait for the analysis to complete.
 - Determine the minimum focus position from the “Median” focus donut graph (left red curve), verify that it matches with the minimum of the FWHM graph (right).
 - Tell the telescope operator to set focus to the measure value.
 - If this isn’t the first night of a WASP install then you can use the “Quick Focus” tool to determine focus.
 - Ask the telescope operator what the focus was the last time the instrument was used and enter that value into the “Estimated FOCUS” field
 - Ask the support astronomer for the current best known value of ALPHA and enter it into appropriate field
 - Set the “Offset in mm”. The nominal value for this is 1mm but it can range from 0.7 to 1.5mm. As the support astronomer for their advice on what the best value is for the offset.
 - Set the exposure time (typically 10 to 30 seconds)
 - Press “GO” on the Quick Focus control. The system will then take two images, one at the estimated focus minus the offset and the other at estimated focus plus the offset. The system will then run SExtractor on both images and calculate the donut metric for each.
 - The estimated “BEST FOCUS” will be displayed.
 - Now enter the “BEST FOCUS” value into the “Estimated FOCUS” field and rerun the quick focus.
 - Check that the resulting donut metrics on the high and low side are close to identical.
 - Tell the telescope operator to set the focus to the “BEST FOCUS” value returned for the second run of the “Quick Focus”.
 - The instrument is now in focus.



Median Donut

FWHM Minimum

The Quick Focus control interface includes a "GO!" button and several input fields. The fields are labeled with their current values: ALPHA (0.68), Estimated FOCUS (26.9), Offset in mm (1.0), High Side Metric (0.0), Low Side Metric (0.0), and BEST FOCUS (0.0). There are also buttons for "Focus Graph" and "Clear".

ALPHA value

Estimated FOCUS

Focus Offset

BEST FOCUS

Quick Start Guide –continued

Congratulations! You are now ready to do science!

- **Summary:**
 - Start the WASP software
 - Home the Shutter
 - Home the Filter Wheel
 - Operations in the afternoon once the dome is dark
 - Collect calibration frames
 - Collect BIAS frames and create a master BIAS frame
 - Run the “flats.txt” script to collect flat field images.
 - When you’re first on sky
 - Establish pointing with a bright SAO star
 - Focus the telescope
- You’re DONE! It’s time to do science





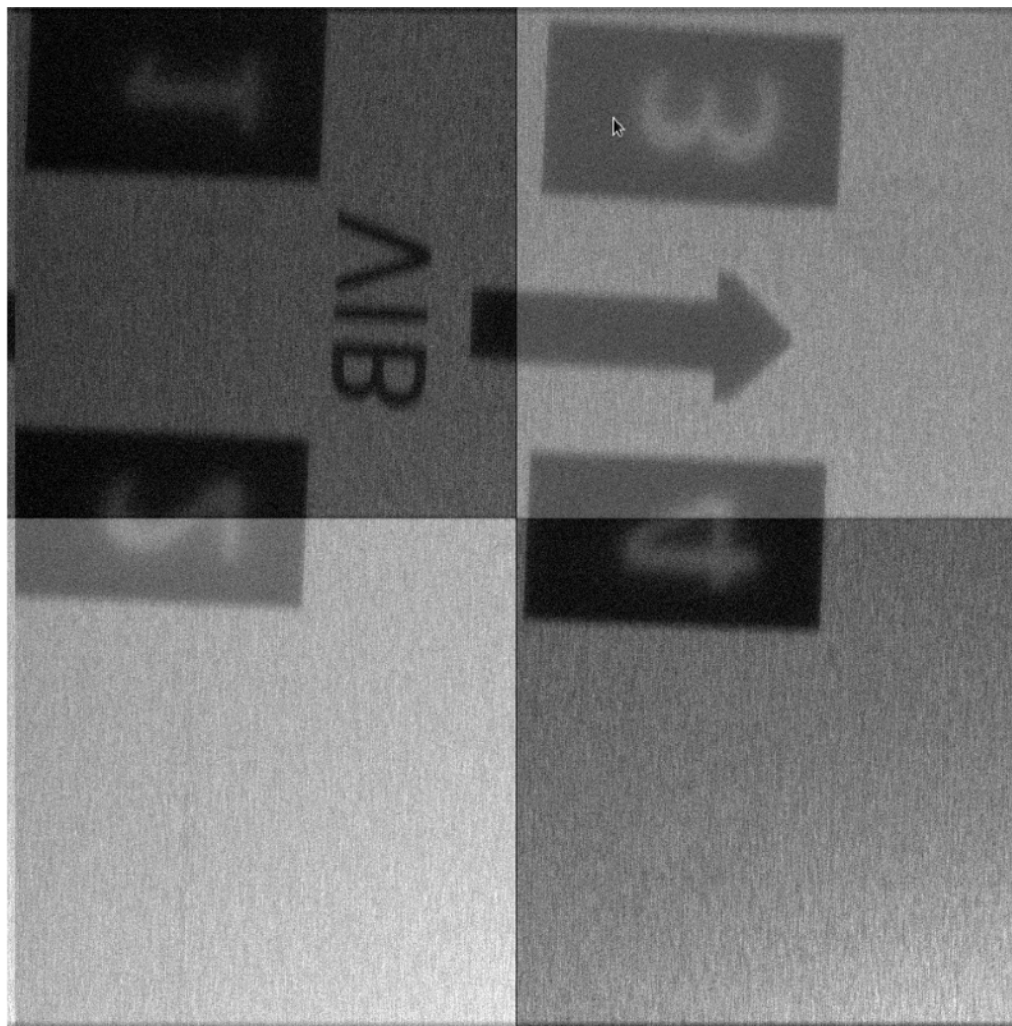
FIRST LIGHT IMAGES

WASP hardware components ready for assembly



WaSP “Laboratory First Light” Image

E2V 6144x6160 CCD231-C6 Back Illuminated Science Detector
January 29, 2016

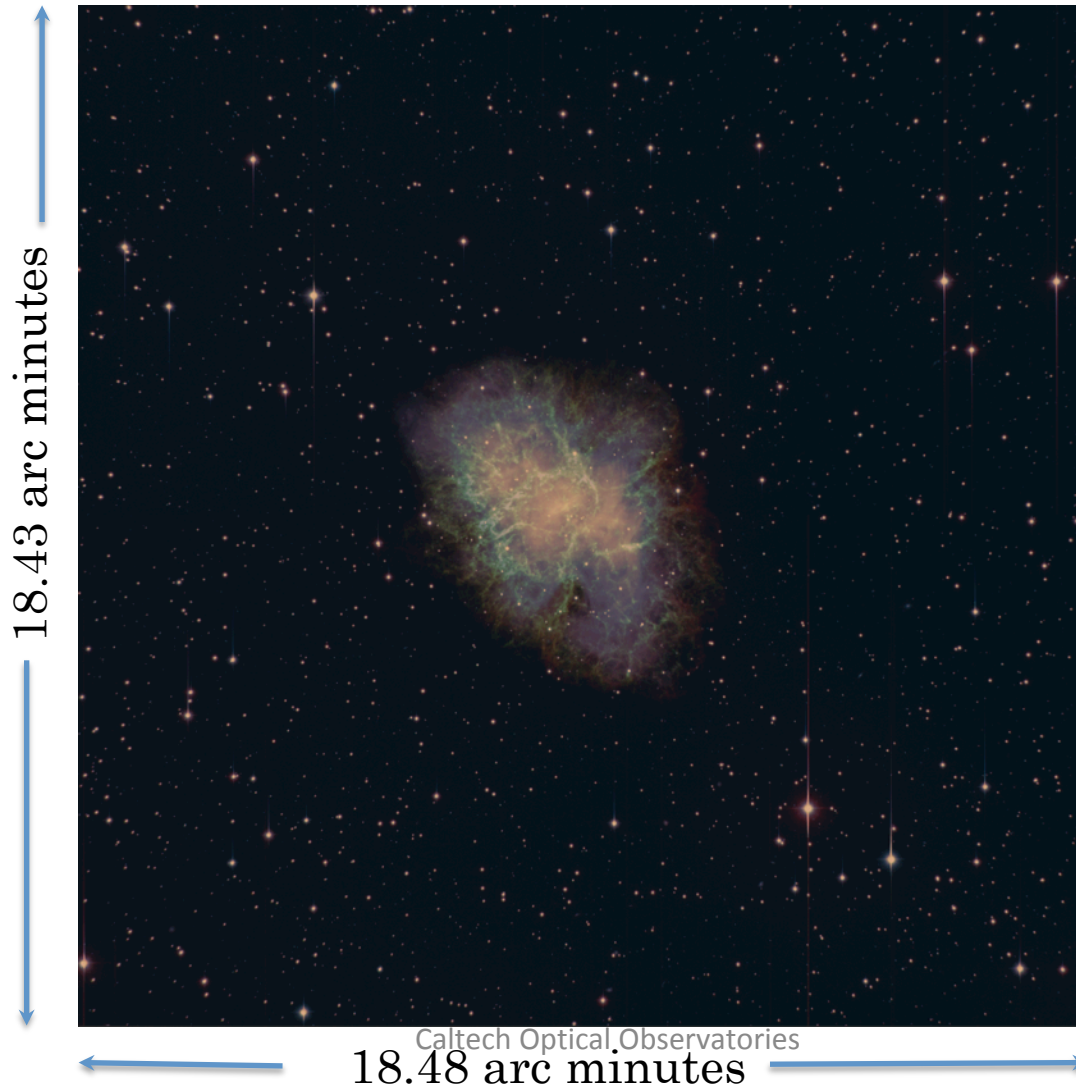


WASP First Light Images

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CRAB Nebula (M1)

G'=green, R'=red, I=blue



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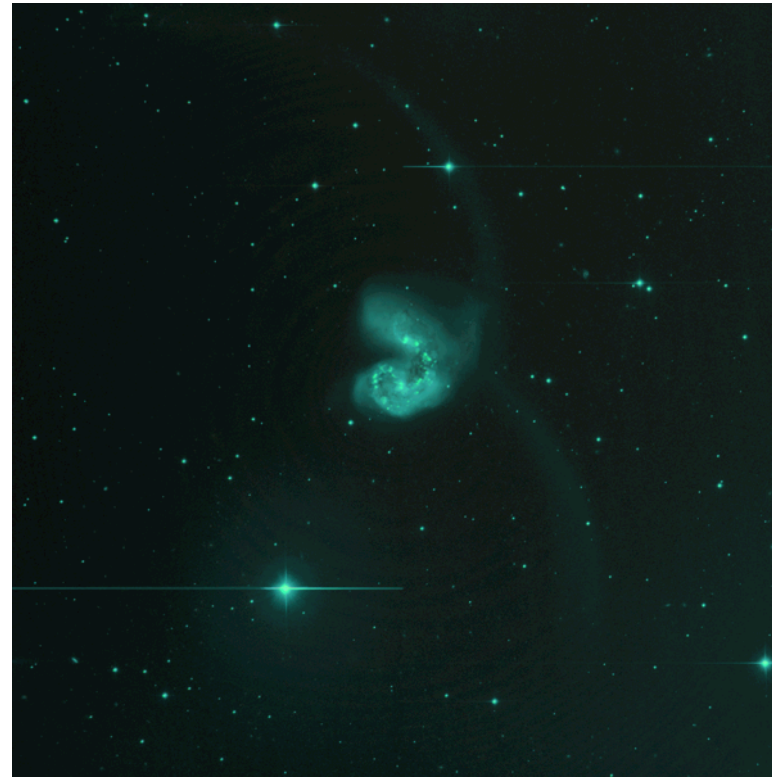
M51 and M52, NGC4038 – The Antennae Galaxies

COLLIDING GALAXIES



M51 and M52

Taken March 2016 Palomar
Observatory by Jennifer
Milburn
Processed by Justin Belicki



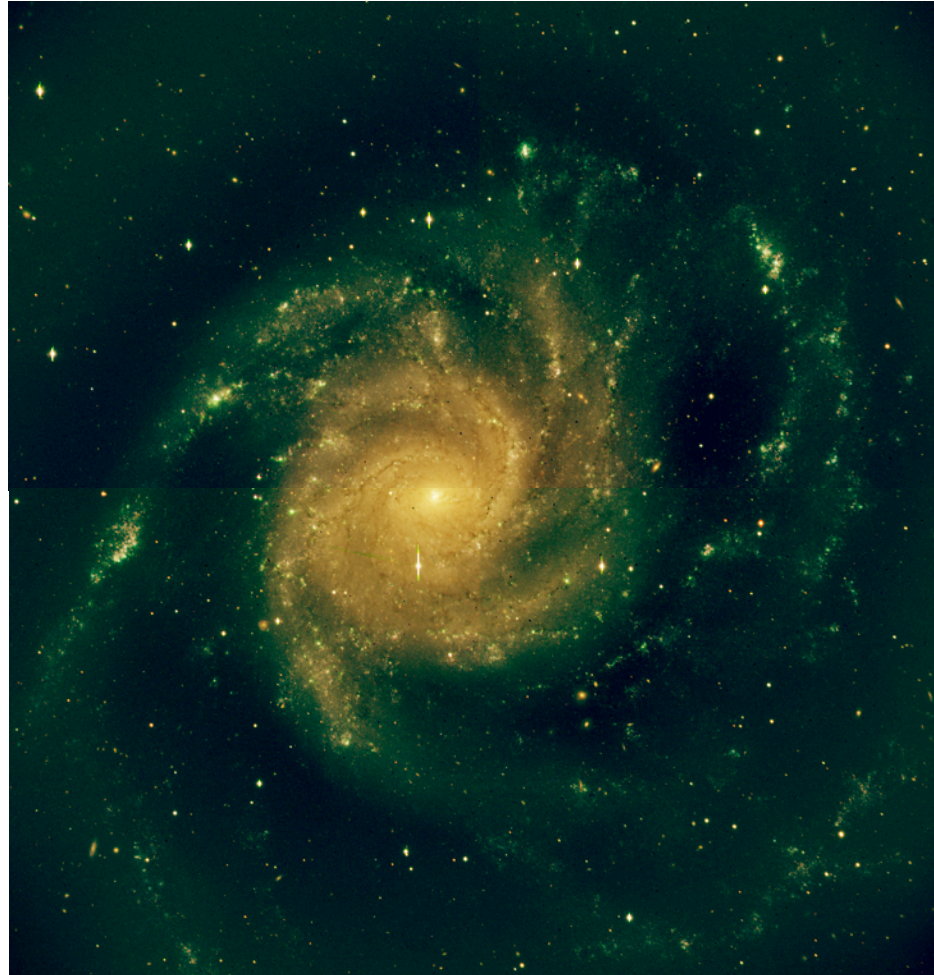
NGC 4038 The “Antennae Galaxies”

DS 9 Overlays G'=green, R'=red, I=blue

WASP First Light Images

December 31, 2017

M101 – The Pinwheel Galaxy



WASP – Palomar P200 Telescope
First Light Delta-Doped STA3600A Detectors
September 13, 2016

Colliding Galaxies – NGC 7674 G' Band and U' band

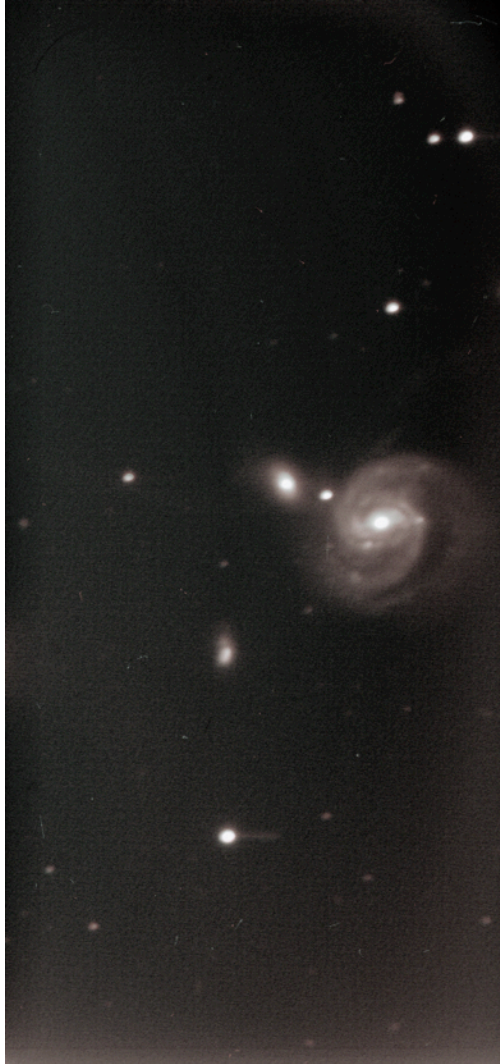


Colliding Galaxies – Stephen's Quintet R' Band
NGC 7318

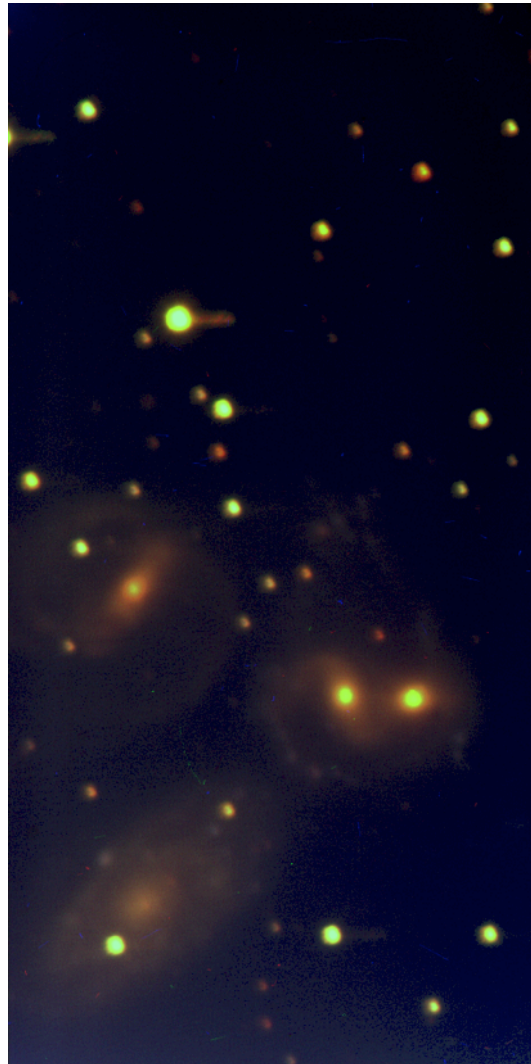


WASP – Palomar P200 Telescope
First Light Delta-Doped STA3600A Detectors
September 13, 2016
Exposure Time = 100seconds, U',G',R'

Colliding Galaxies – NGC 7674 G',R', and U'
G'=green, R'=red, U'=blue



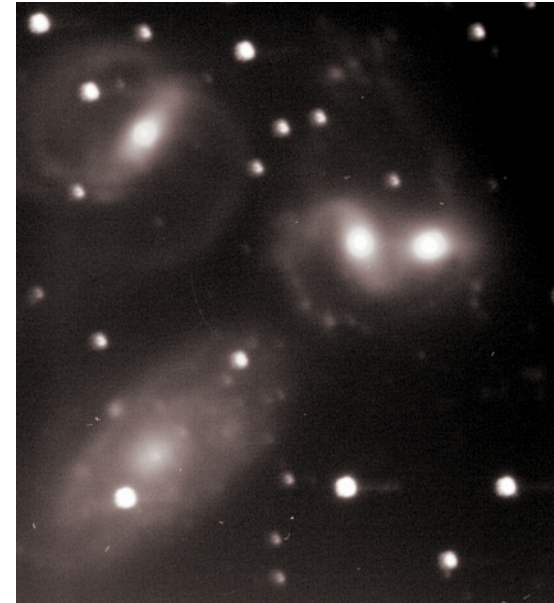
Colliding Galaxies – Stephen's Quintet
NGC 7318 G'=green, R'=red, U'=blue

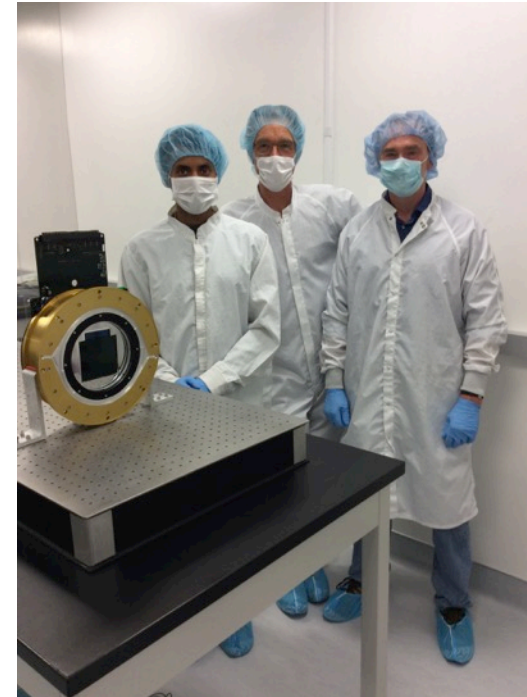
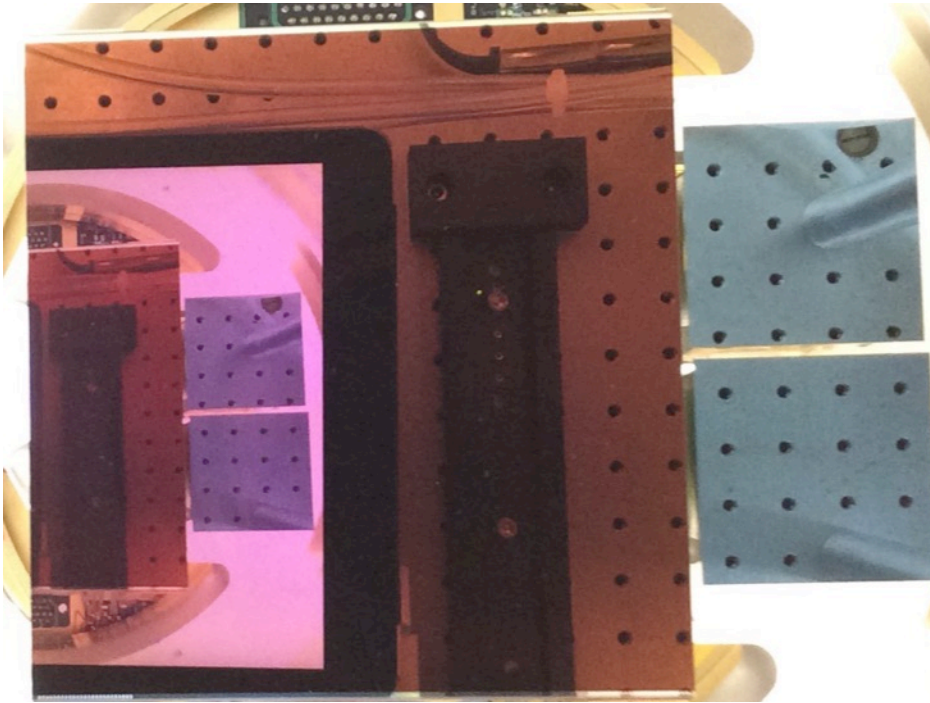


Colliding Galaxies – NGC 7674



Colliding Galaxies – Stephen's Quintet NGC 7318





Left to right: Pavan Bilgi, Roger Smith and Alex Delacroix during assembly of the WASP focal plane

DETECTOR CHARACTERISTICS

WASP Detector Characteristics Summary

- Summary of Detector Characteristics

	SCIENCE DETECTOR	GUIDE AND FOCUS DETECTORS
	<i>E2V CCD231-C6 Back Illuminated</i>	<i>STA 3600A delta-doped CCD</i>
<i>number of pixels</i>	6144 (H) x 6160 (V)	2064x2064
<i>microns/pixel</i>	15 um square	15um square
<i>image area mm</i>	92.2mm x 92.4mm	30.96mm x 30.96mm
<i>Image area arcminutes</i>	18.43 arcminutes x 18.48 arcminutes	6.192 arcminutes x 3.096 arcminutes
<i>outputs</i>	4	2
<i>Readout Noise</i>	5.0 e	2.0 e
<i>full well capacity</i>	350,000 e-	200,000 e-
<i>dark current</i>	3 e-/pixel/hour	2.0 e-/pixel/hour

Unique Features

19.2 arcminutes squared frame transfer enabled autoguider

Autofocus using a dedicated focus detector ("Donut" method)

Simple scripting language to allow complete control of complex imaging sequences

WASP Detector Characteristics

Summary from Data Sheet

SCIENCE DETECTOR
E2V CCD 231-C6 Back Illuminated, Deep Depletion Device

SUMMARY PERFORMANCE (Typical)

Number of pixels	6144(H) x 6160(V)
Pixel size	15 μm square
Image area	92.2 mm x 92.4 mm
Outputs	4
Package size	98.5 x 93.7 mm
Package format	Silicon carbide with two flexi connectors
Focal plane height, above base	20.0 mm
Height tolerance	$\pm 15 \mu\text{m}$
Connectors	Two 37-way micro-D
Flatness	$< 40 \mu\text{m}$ (peak to valley)
Amplifier sensitivity	$7.5 \mu\text{V}/\text{e}^-$
Readout noise	5 e^- at 1 MHz 2 e^- at 50 kHz
Maximum pixel data rate	3 MHz
Charge storage (pixel full well)	$350,000 \text{ e}^-$
Dark signal	$3 \text{ e}^-/\text{pixel}/\text{hour}$ (at -100°C)

GUIDE AND FOCUS DETECTORS
STA 3600A delta-doped CCD*

FEATURES

- 2064 x 2064 CCD Image Array
- 15 μm x 15 μm Pixel
- 30.96 mm x 30.96 mm Image Area
- Near 100% Fill Factor
- Readout Noise Less Than 3 Electrons at 100KHz
- 4 Single Stage 3MHz Outputs
- Three-Phase Buried Channel Image area
- Multi-pinned Phase (MPP)
- Three-Phase Buried Channel Readout Registers
- Selectable Video Output Channels
- Backside Illuminated

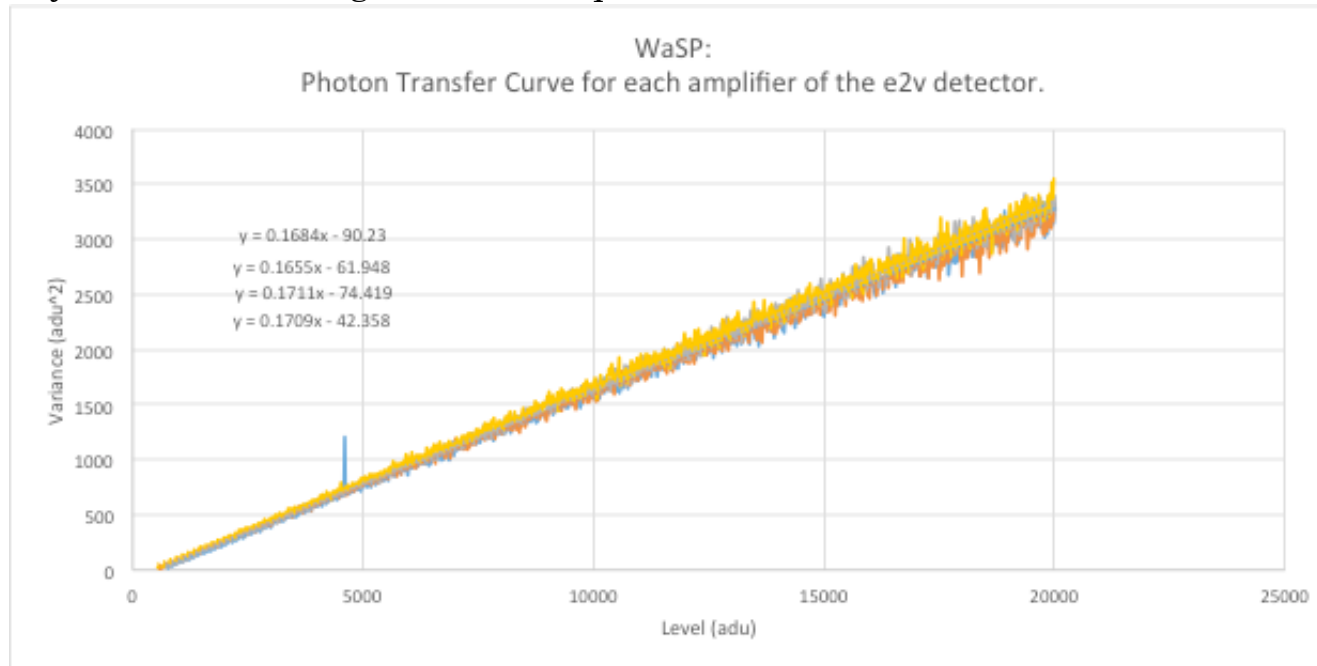
Operated as frame-transfer devices
 With effective image area of 2064x1032 *pixels*

** delta-doped to enhance UV performance*

WASP Detector Characteristics

E2V CCD 231-C6 Photon Transfer Curve

- The science detector is readout in quadrants with 4 separate amplifiers. The full well capacity and conversion gain for each quadrant are listed below.



Measured WASP Full well and Conversion Gain

Quadrant	Full Well Capacity (e-)	Conversion Gain (e-/adu)	SATURATE (DN)
AD5	326000	5.9382	54898.4
AD6	331000	6.0423	54780.5
AD7	330000	5.8445	56463.0
AD8	334000	5.8514	57080.6
Average	330250	5.919	55806

WASP Detector Characteristics

E2V CCD 231-C6 Linearity Curve

- Detector Linearity: Within 1% up to 45,000 ADU

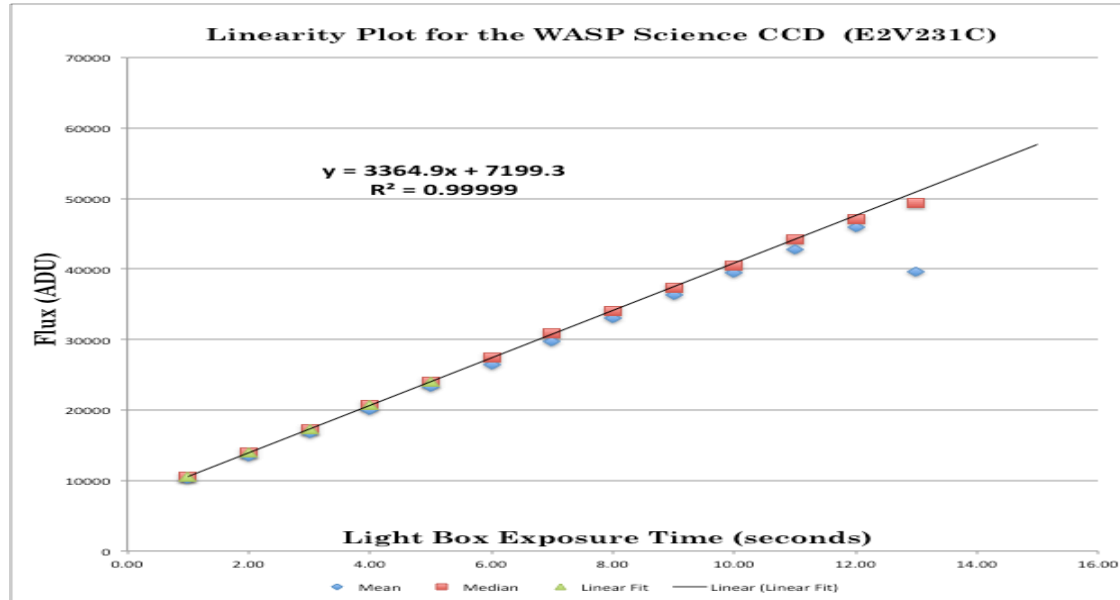
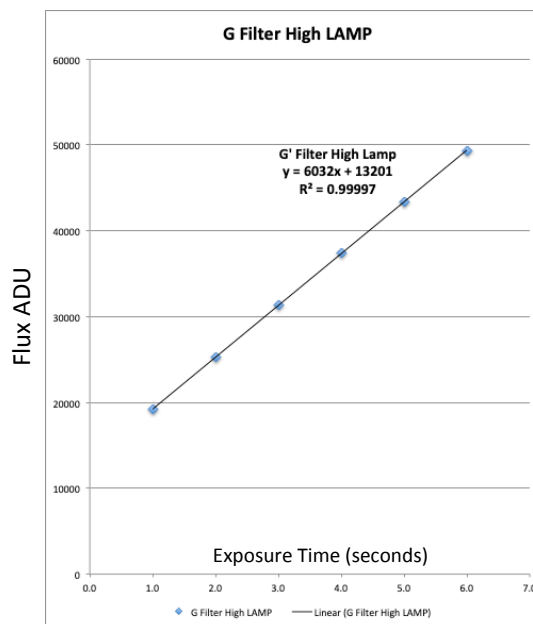
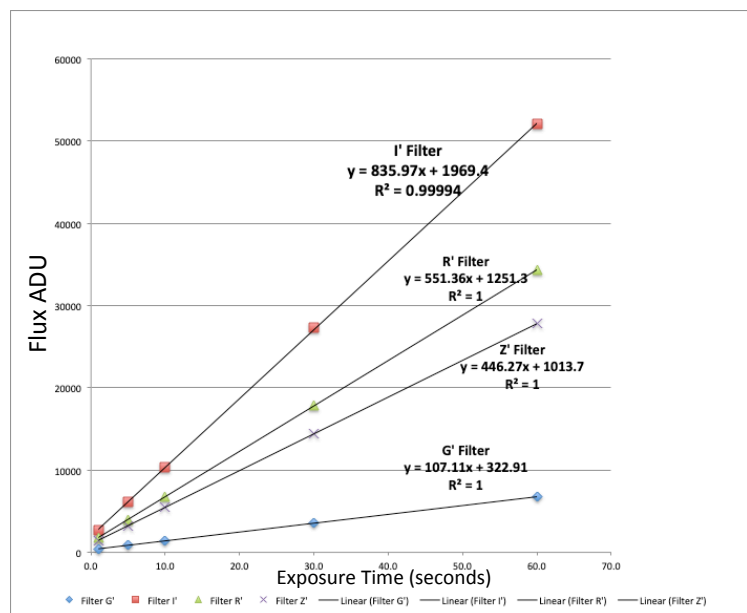


Table of Linearity Measurements

Exposure Time	Mean	Mode	Standard Deviation	Estimated Flux	Error ADU	Error %
1.00	10207	10567	1331	10564.2	-2.8	-0.03
2.00	13422	13908	1752	13929.1	21.1	0.15
3.00	16689	17311	2181	17294	-17.0	-0.10
4.00	19952	20677	2608	20658.9	-18.1	-0.09
5.00	23232	24007	3037	24023.8	16.8	0.07
6.00	26515	27404	3466	27388.7	-15.3	-0.06
7.00	29762	30868	3890	30753.6	-114.4	-0.37
8.00	33051	33974	4320	34118.5	144.5	0.42
9.00	36288	37281	4742	37483.4	202.4	0.54
10.00	39532	40540	5166	40848.3	308.3	0.75
11.00	42781	44204	5588	44213.2	9.2	0.02
12.00	45996	47101	6006	47578.1	477.1	1.00
13.00	39666	49423	17114	50943	1520.0	2.98

WASP Flat Field Calibration

Low and High Lamp flux in ADU/second



Recommended Exposure Time for Sloan Flats

Sloan Filter

G'	4.48 High Lamp (seconds)
I'	32.30 Low Lamp (seconds)
R'	48.97 Low Lamp (seconds)
Z'	60.50 Low Lamp (seconds)

Optimal Flux for Flats: 60% full well

Full Well = 45000

Low Lamp Flux Summary

		1000	5000	10000	25000	50000	60% Full Well
G	107.11 ADU/second	9.34	46.68	93.36	233.40	466.81	252.08 seconds
I	835.97 ADU/second	1.20	5.98	11.96	29.91	59.81	32.30 seconds
R	551.36 ADU/second	1.81	9.07	18.14	45.34	90.68	48.97 seconds
Z	446.27 ADU/second	2.24	11.20	22.41	56.02	112.04	60.50 seconds

High Lamp Flux Summary

G	6032 ADU/second	0.17	0.83	1.66	4.14	8.29	4.48 seconds
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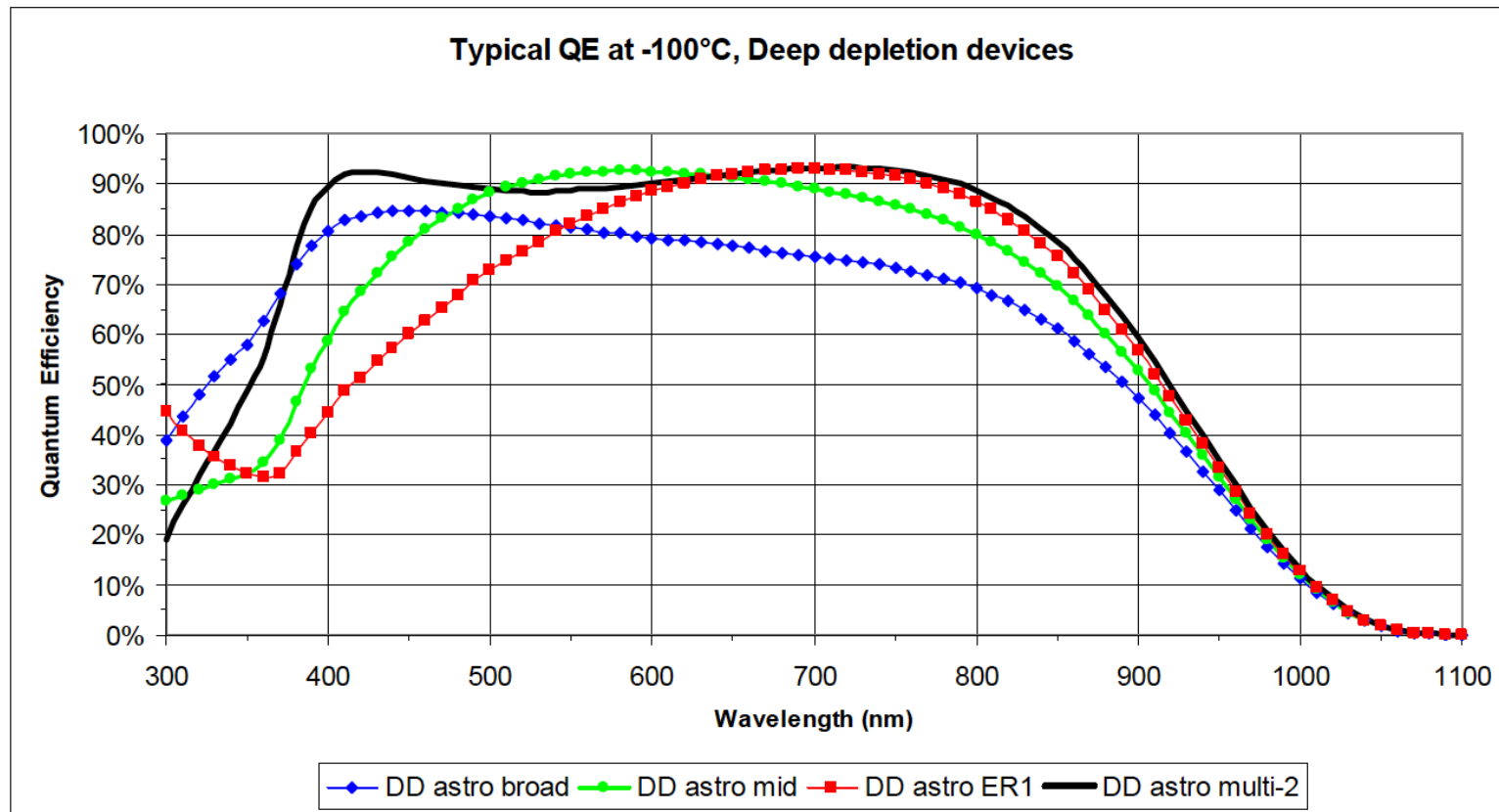
Note: R', I' and Z' filters saturate in less than 1 second with the High Lamp

WASP Detector Characteristics

E2V CCD 231-C6

Quantum Efficiency Curves

- The quantum efficiency as a function of wavelength for the WASP science CCD (black curve)

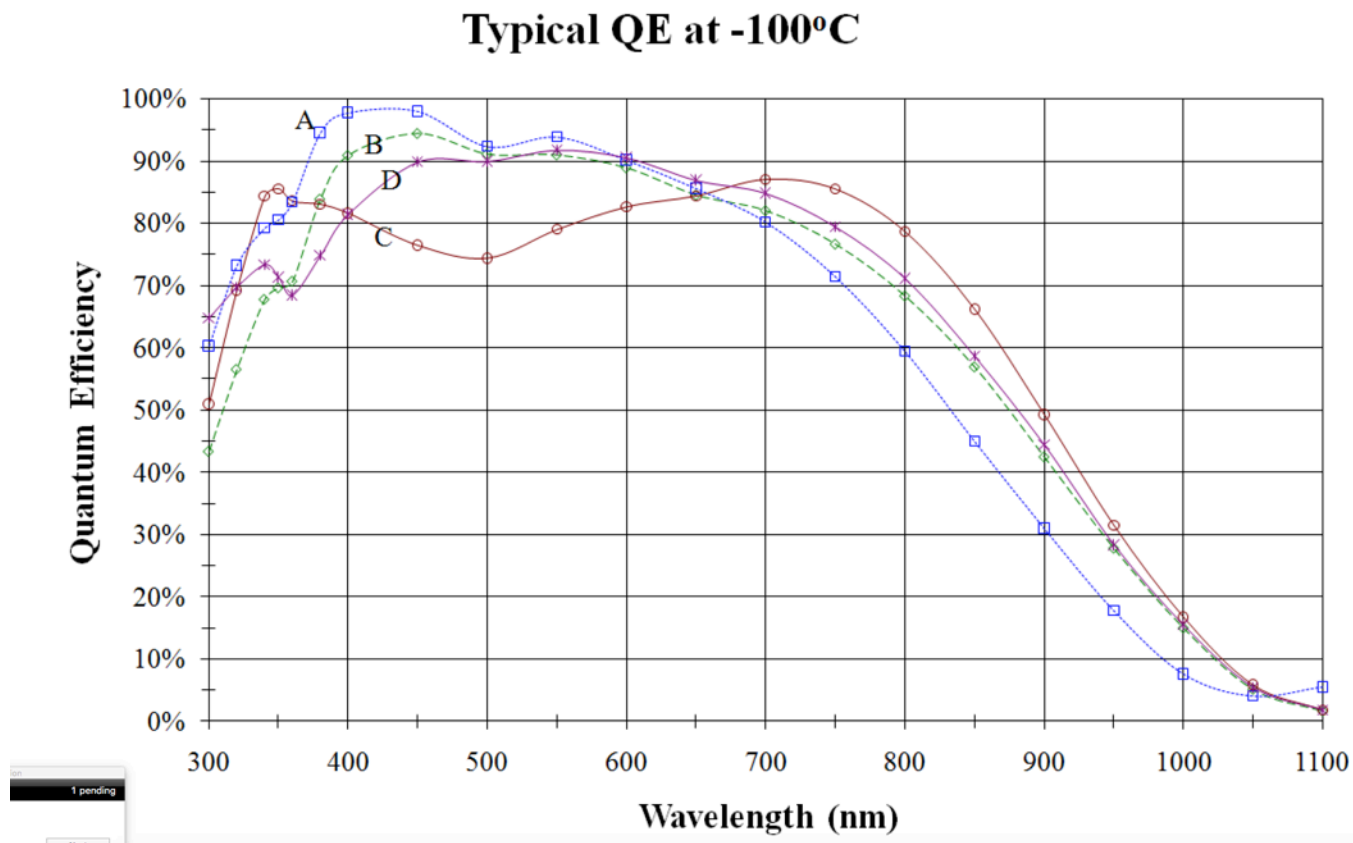


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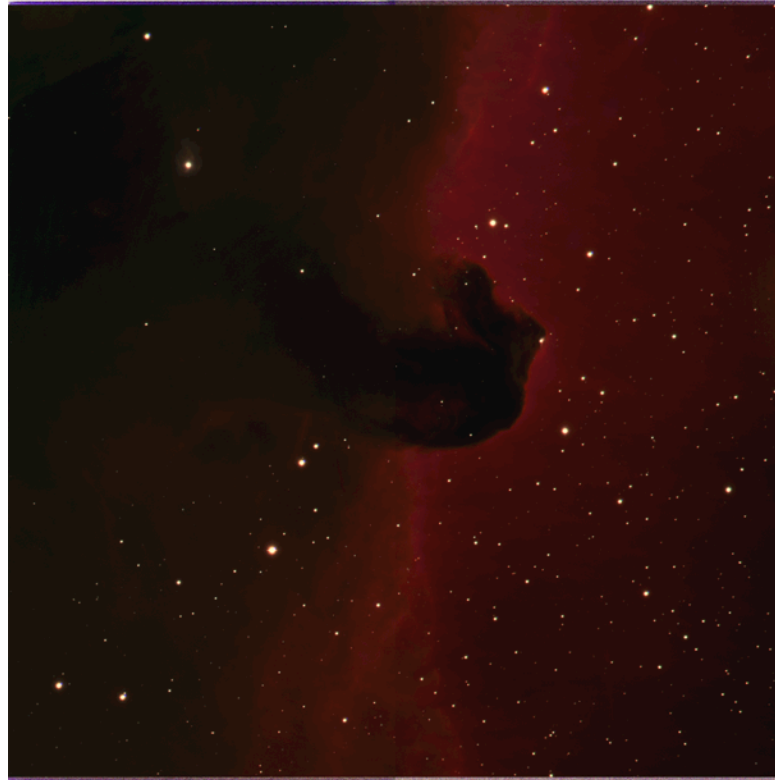
STA 3600 A 2064x2064 pixels CCD

Quantum Efficiency Curves

- The quantum efficiency as a function of wavelength for the WASP Guide and Focus CCD's (without the delta-doping)



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WASP FILTERS

WASP Filters

Transmission Curves for WASP filters

- WASP uses the same filter-wheel employed by LFC so the entire set of LFC filters is available.
- www.astro.caltech.edu/palomar/observer/200inchResources/lfcspecs.html

4. Filter Specs

Filter wheel has slots for 4 filters.

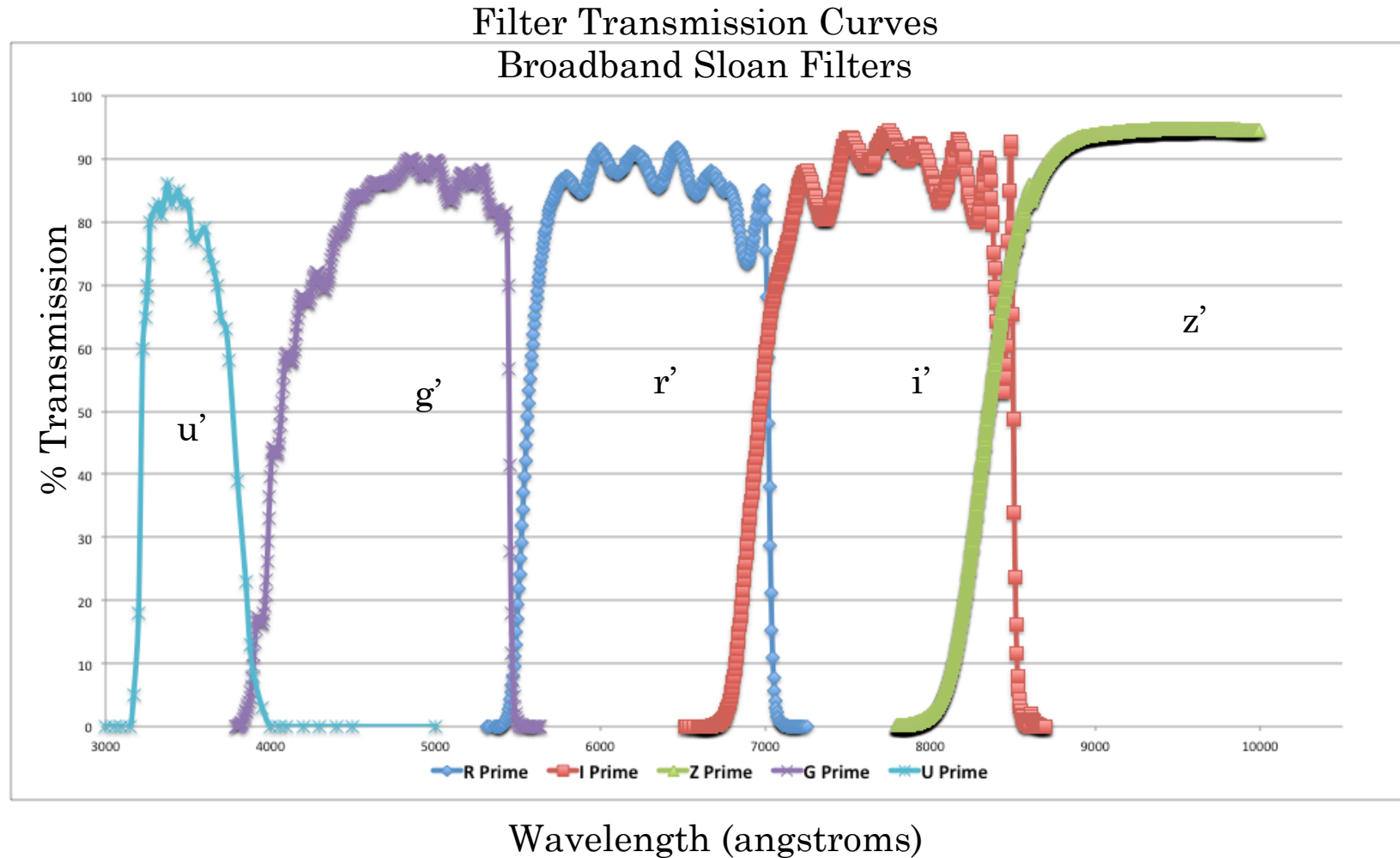
Filter	Central λ (Å)	Width (Å)	Thickness (mm)	Focus offset (mm from r')	Domeflats [b]	Dark sky [b] (raw chip 0)	Transmission
r'	6255	1470	3.05	—	5	1400	data , plot
i'	7680	1540	3.05	—	3	650	data , plot
z'	~9000	~1800 (w/qe)	3.05	—	5	750	data , plot
g'	4660	1400	8.02	+1.5	40		data , plot
u'	3540	590	8.38	+1.6	120 (highlamp)		data , plot
Rs	6930	1220	10.26	+2.0	8		data , plot
Is	8190	1670	10.26	+2.0	5		data , plot
B-bess	4400	1000	7.0	+1.3	2 (highlamp)		data , plot
V-bess	5500	900	7.0	+1.3	40		data , plot
R-bess	6300	1200	7.0	+1.3	10		data , plot
I-bess	9000	3000	7.0	+1.3			data , plot
Broad-RI	7670	2940	6.0				data , plot
Ha	6570	100	11.68	+2.8	120		plot
S-II	6730	90	11.68	+2.8	120		plot
6610/100	6610	100	7.06	+1.3	120		plot
6650/100	6650	100	7.06	+1.3	120		plot
6700/100	6700	100	6.93	+1.3	120		plot
5200/70	5200	70	4.90	?			not yet on record
5085/70	5085	70	5.13	?			not yet on record

[b] Seconds to 10,000 DN (unbinned)

WASP Filters

Transmission Curves for WASP filters

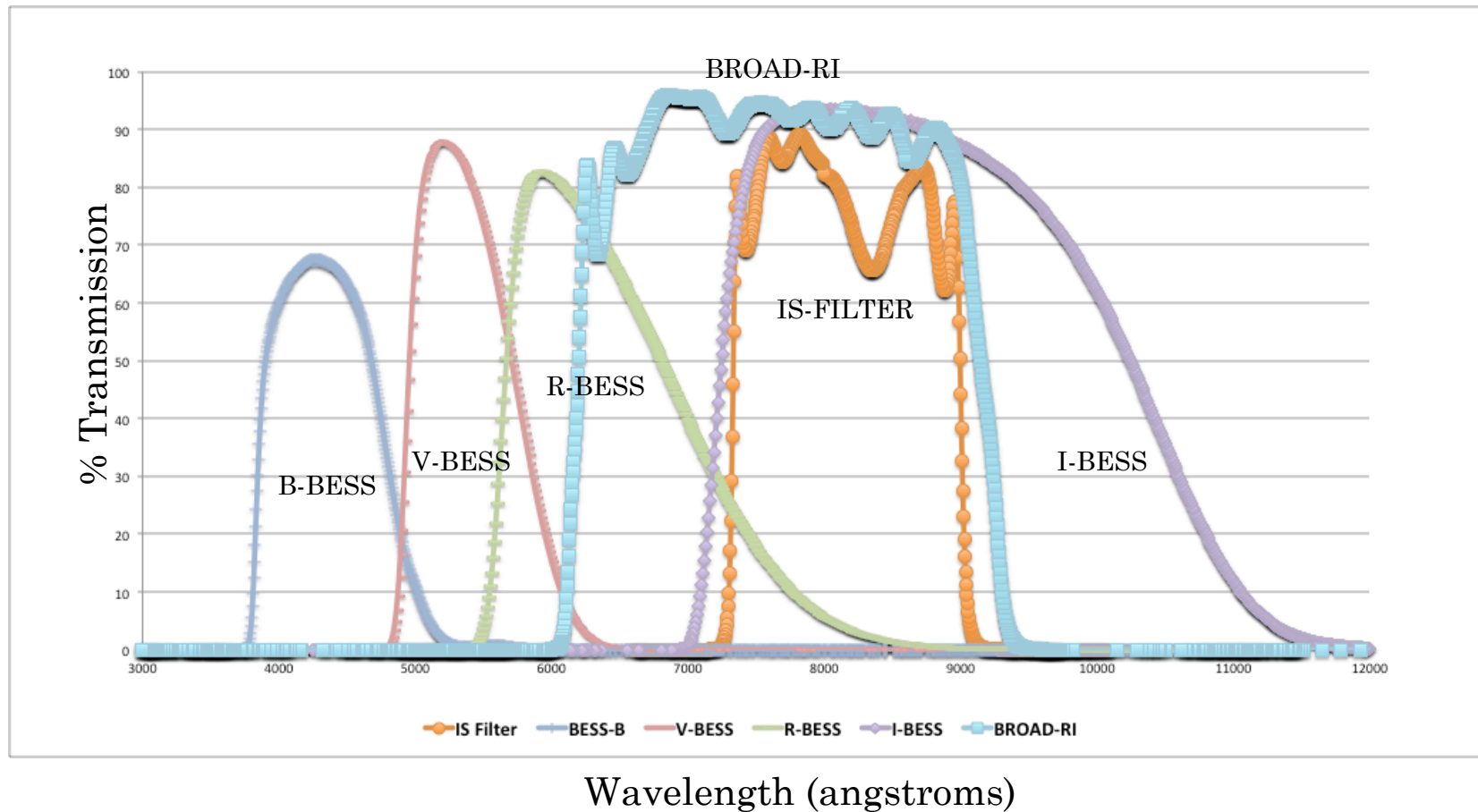
Broadband Sloan Filters



WASP Filters

Transmission Curves for WASP filters

Narrow Band and Special Filters

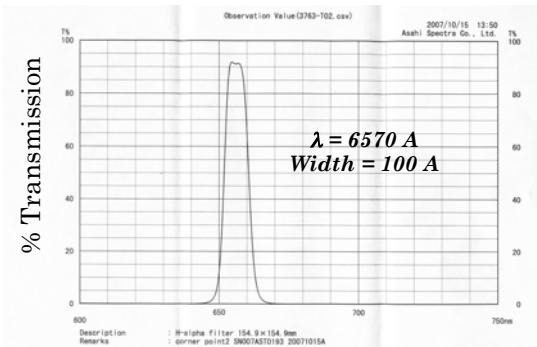


WASP Filters

Transmission Curves for WASP

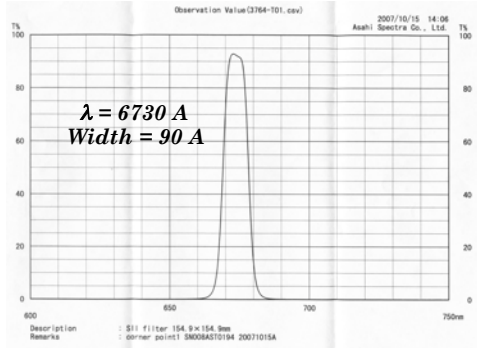
Narrow Band Filters

H-Alpha Filter



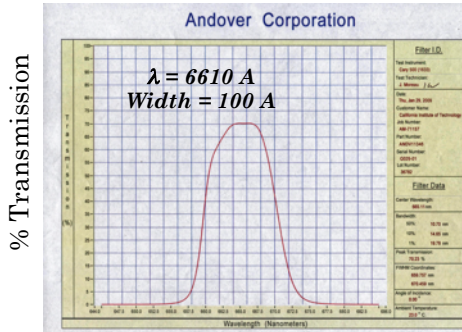
Wavelength (angstroms)

S-II Filter



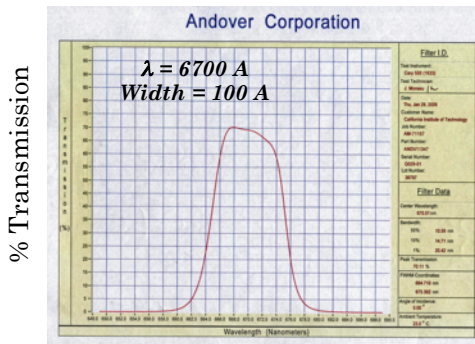
Wavelength (angstroms)

6650/100



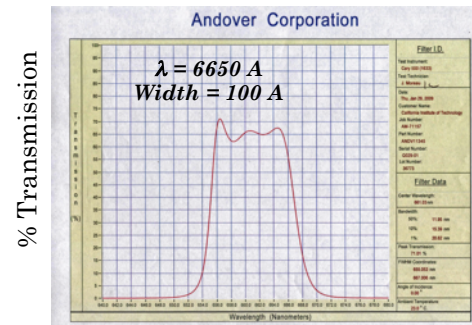
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6700/100

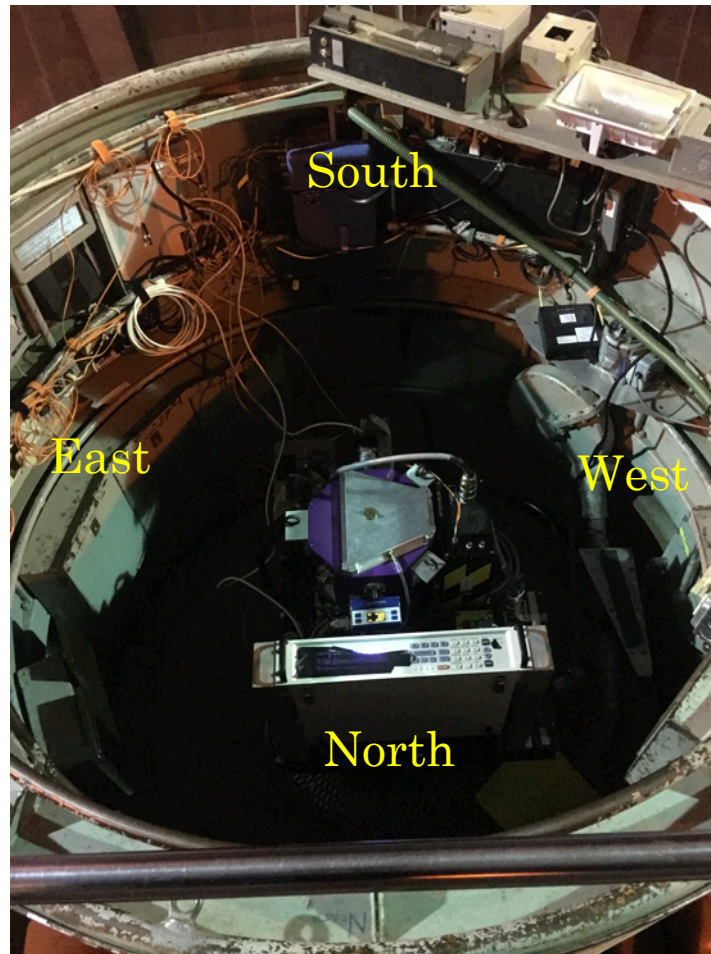


Wavelength (angstroms)

6610/100



Wavelength (angstroms)

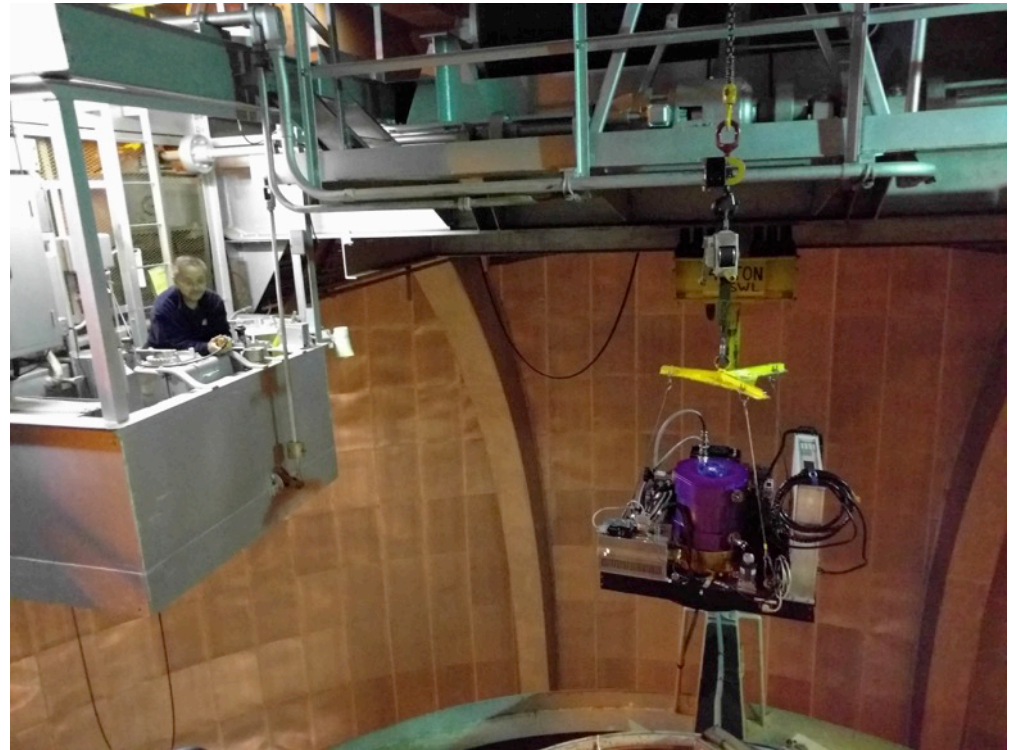


WASP INSTALLATION

WASP Installation at prime focus of the Hale 200" Telescope at Palomar Observatory February 28, 2016

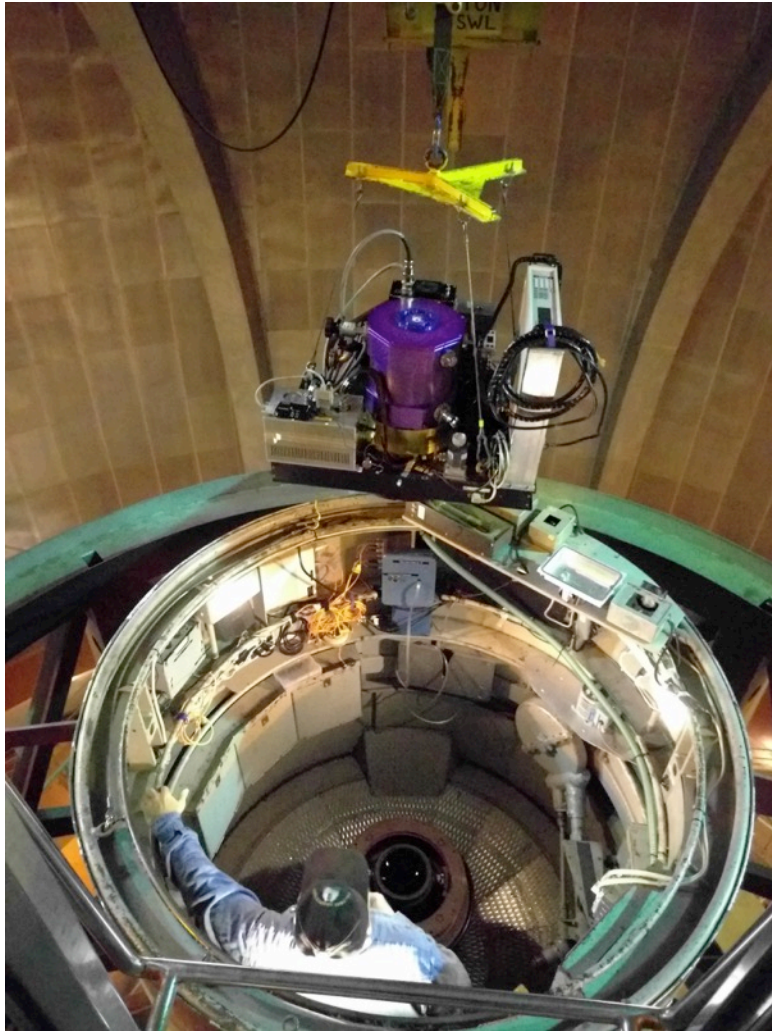


**WASP assembled with shutter and filter wheel
ready to be lifted to prime focus**



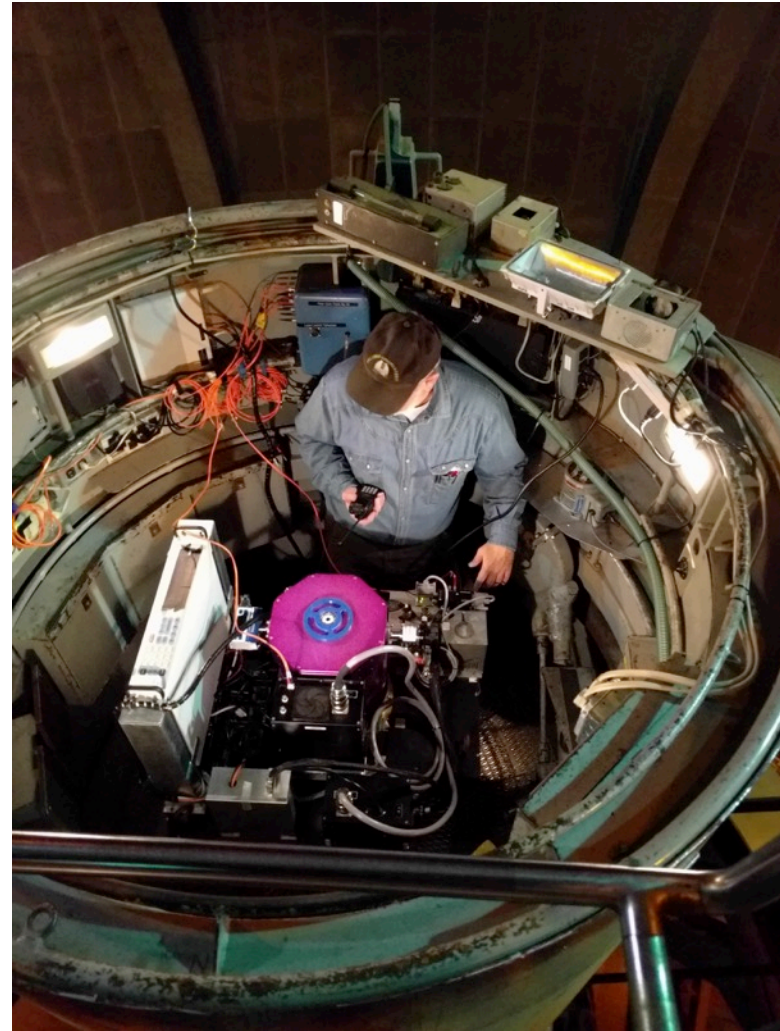
WASP being lifted by the crane to prime focus

WASP Installation at prime focus of the Hale 200" Telescope at Palomar Observatory February 28, 2016



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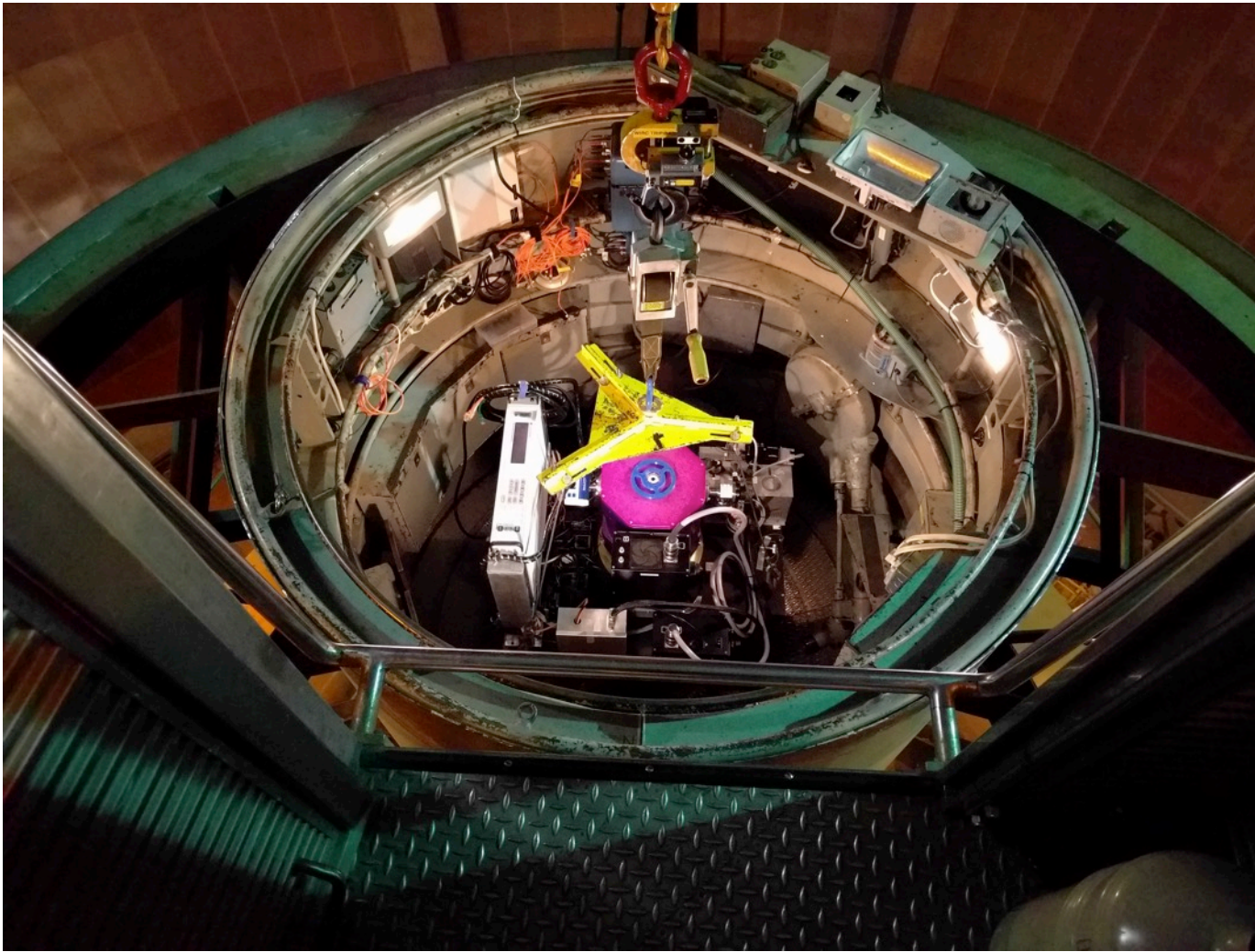
WASP being lowered into the prime focus cage



Caltech Optical Observatories

WASP installed and cabled – READY FOR OBSERVING!

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February 28, 2016



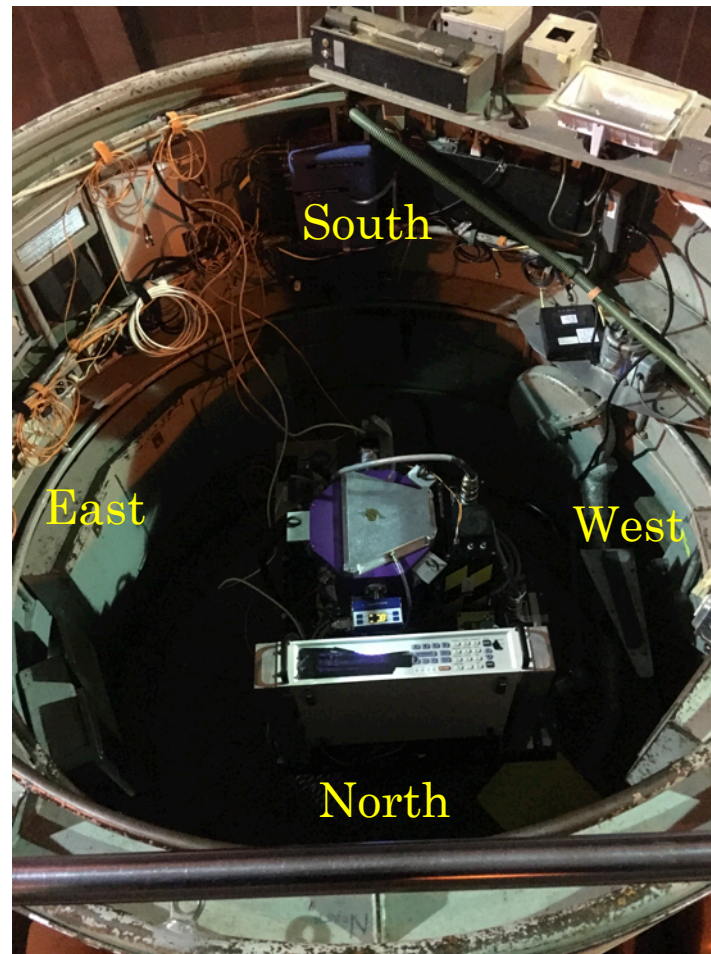
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WASP installed and cabled – READY FOR OBSERVING!

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WASP Installation Procedure

- WASP should only be installed in this orientation



The WASP Instrument

A Visual Tour

Network enabled power strip

LN2 fill port

Motor Controller box for
the shutter and filter wheel

LAKESHORE 330
Temperature controller

Lesker Pressure Monitor

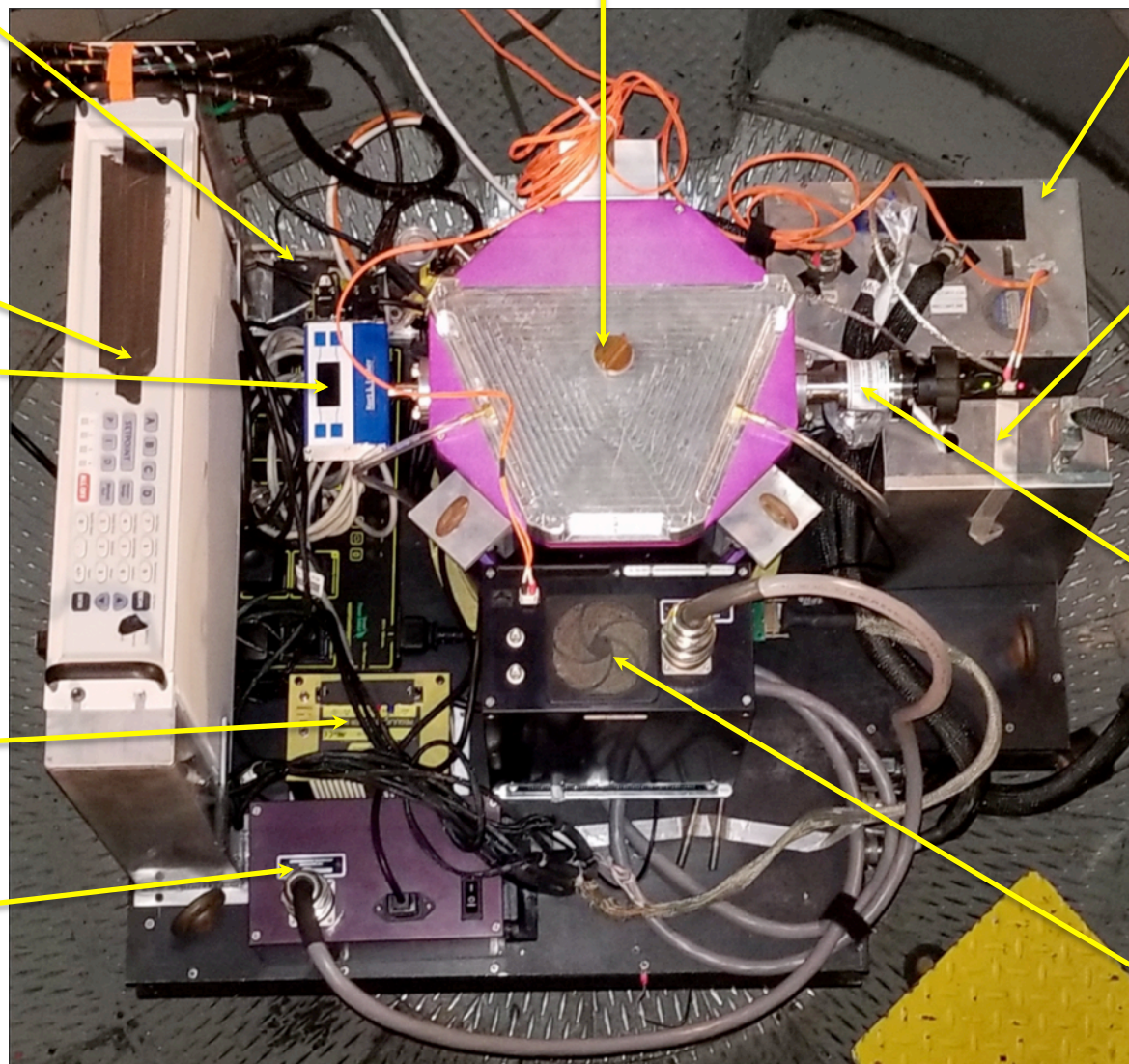
LabJack enclosure –
reads the hall sensor states
for both shutter and filter
wheel

High voltage supply
For the STA detector
back side bias

ARCHON electronics
Power supply

Vacuum port

ARCHON VIB electronics

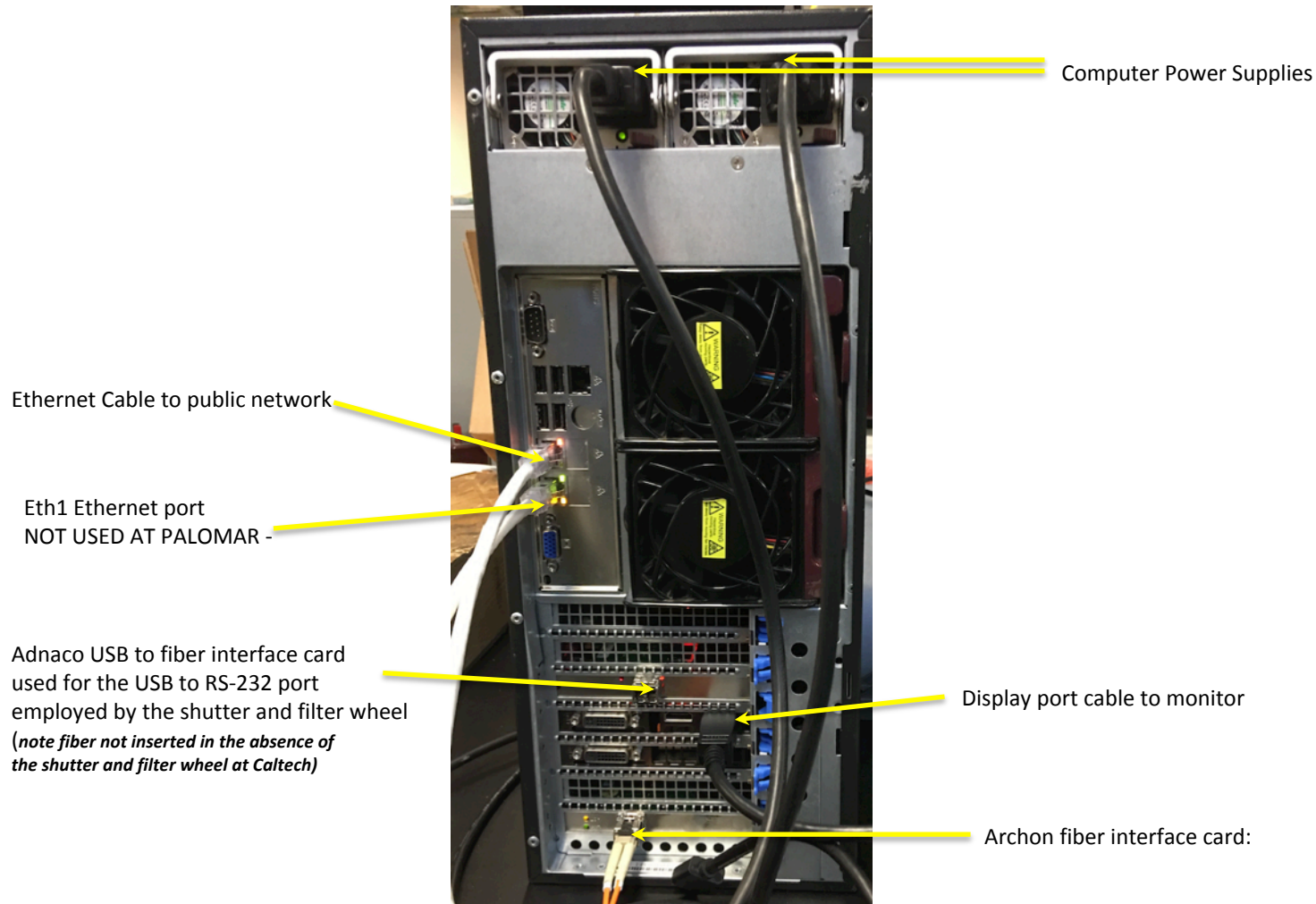


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The WASP Instrument

The computer connections



The WASP Instrument

How to tell that the shutter and filter-wheel are properly connected?

- First check that the USB 3.0 root hub shows up when you run “lsusb” in a terminal.
- 2nd check that the “Prolific Technology PL2303 Serial Port” is present.
- As root, change the permissions on /dev/ttyUSB0 to rw (chmod a+rw ttyUSB0)
- If the USB 3.0 hub doesn’t show up; check that you have 2 green lights on the Adnaco (indicating correct fiber connection) then reboot the computer.

```
[developer@wasp2 ~]$ lsusb
Bus 001 Device 001: ID 1d6b:0002 Linux Foundation 2.0 root hub
Bus 002 Device 001: ID 1d6b:0002 Linux Foundation 2.0 root hub
Bus 001 Device 002: ID 8087:0024 Intel Corp. Integrated Rate Matching Hub
Bus 002 Device 002: ID 8087:0024 Intel Corp. Integrated Rate Matching Hub
Bus 001 Device 003: ID 062a:4101 Creative Labs Wireless Keyboard/Mouse
Bus 001 Device 004: ID 0557:2221 ATEN International Co., Ltd Winbond Hermon
Bus 003 Device 001: ID 1d6b:0002 Linux Foundation 2.0 root hub
Bus 004 Device 001: ID 1d6b:0003 Linux Foundation 3.0 root hub
Bus 003 Device 002: ID 067b:2303 Prolific Technology, Inc. PL2303 Serial Port
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Adnaco USB to fiber interface card
used for the USB to RS-232 port
employed by the shutter and filter wheel

*(note fiber not inserted in the absence of
the shutter and filter wheel at Caltech)*

The WASP computer has no native USB 3.0 hub on the motherboard so the presence of a USB 3.0 hub indicates that the Adnaco is correctly connected. The “Prolific Technology, Inc. PL2303 Serial Port” is the 25 pin serial to USB cable connected to the motor controllers for the shutter and filter-wheel.

WASP installation

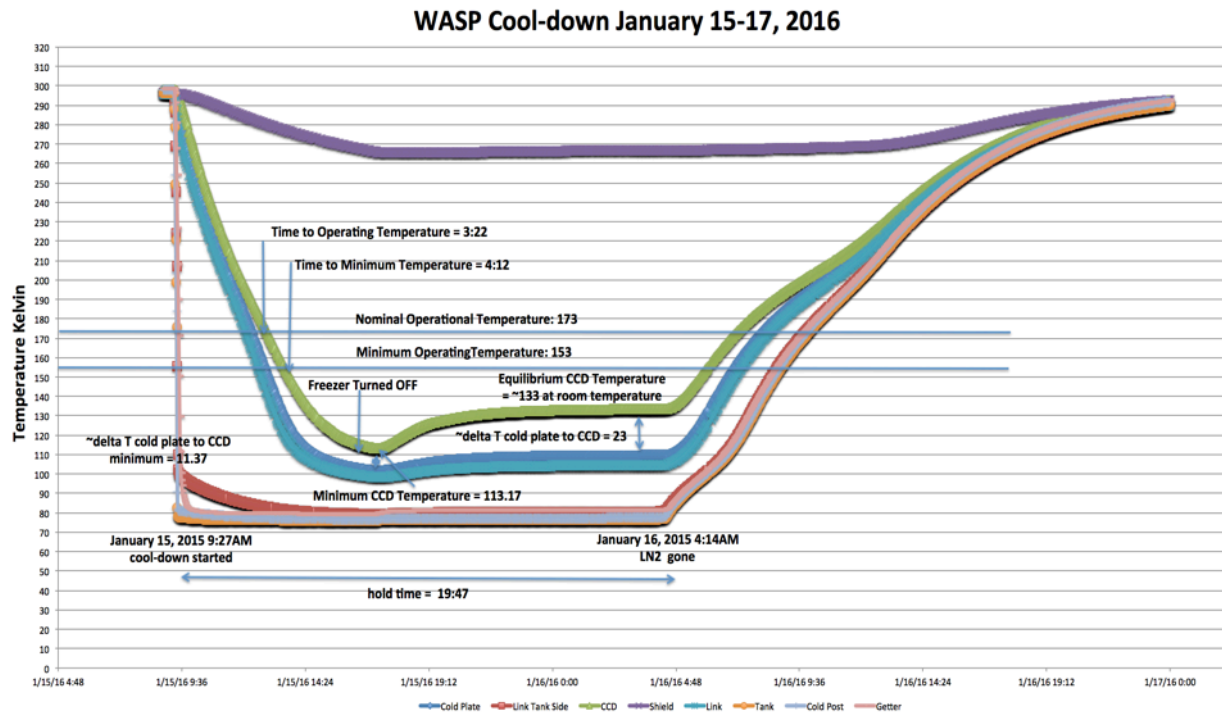
- PRIME FOCUS CAGE INSTALLATION

- WASP connections to the Palomar prime focus cages - 2 pairs of fiber
 - Optical fiber connections
 - Archon controller
 - Adnaco USB to fiber
- Ethernet connection - 3 Ethernet connections
 - Two possible configurations: With Ethernet switch and without
 - Without Ethernet switch: - each individual unit must be plugged into
 - Lakeshore 330 – used for monitoring temperatures PRIVATE NETWORK
 - LabJack Analog and Digital signal monitoring PUBLIC NETWORK
 - Network power switch PRIVATE NETWORK
 - With Ethernet switch
 - All of the Ethernet devices are first plugged into the Ethernet switch on the shutter and filter wheel base and then a single cable goes to the switch in the prime focus cage.
- Power – 1 power connection
 - all electronic devices are plugged into the integrated network power switch. Only the main power cable for the network switch actually needs to be plugged in.



- COMPUTER INSTALLATION

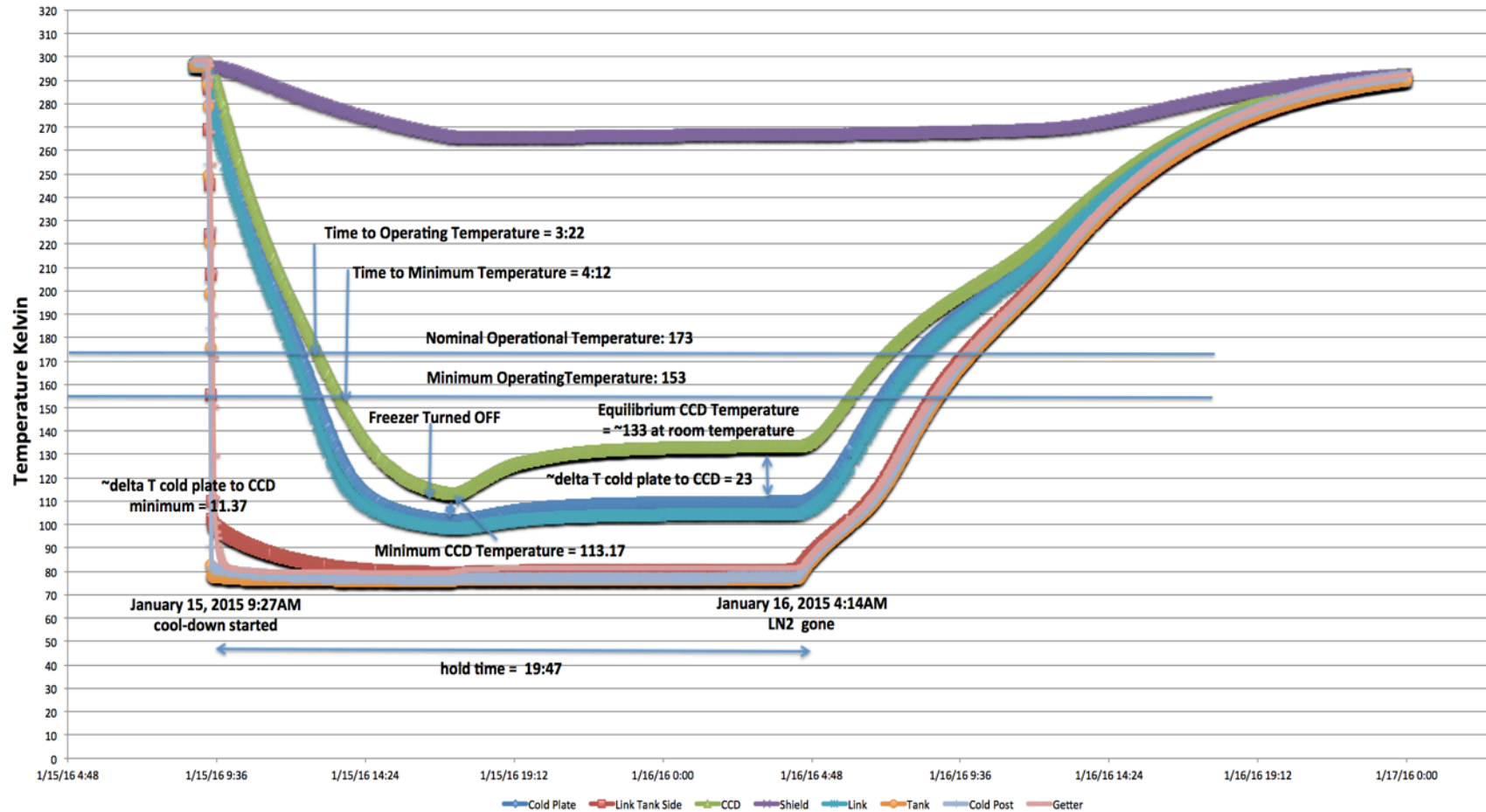
- Connect the optical fibers to the Adnaco card (upper fiber interface) and the Archon interface card
- Plug in 2 power cables for the computer redundant power supplies
- Plug in the Ethernet cable to Eth0 (upper network port if vertical, left-most port if the computer is horizontal)



THERMAL MONITORING AND HOLD TIME

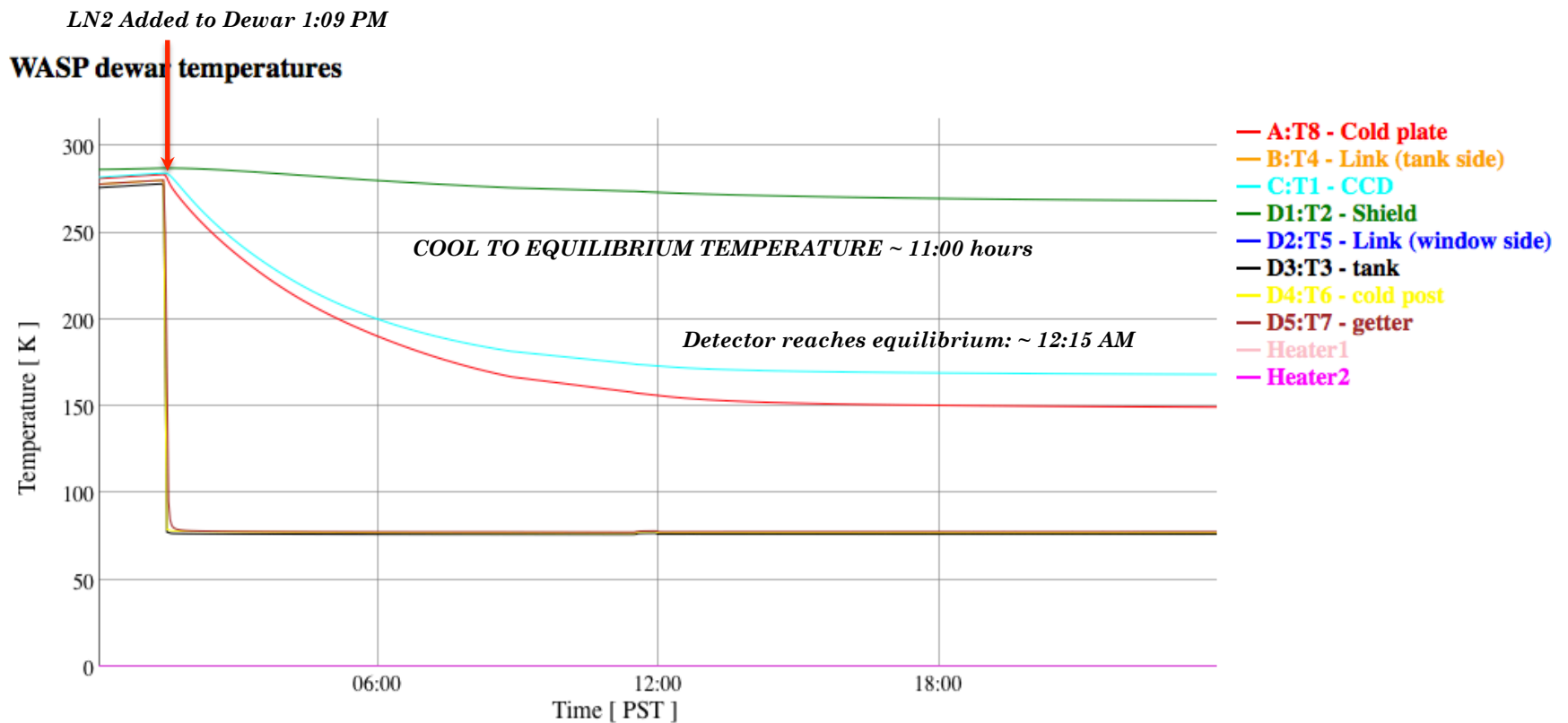
WASP First Cool-down

WASP Cool-down January 15-17, 2016

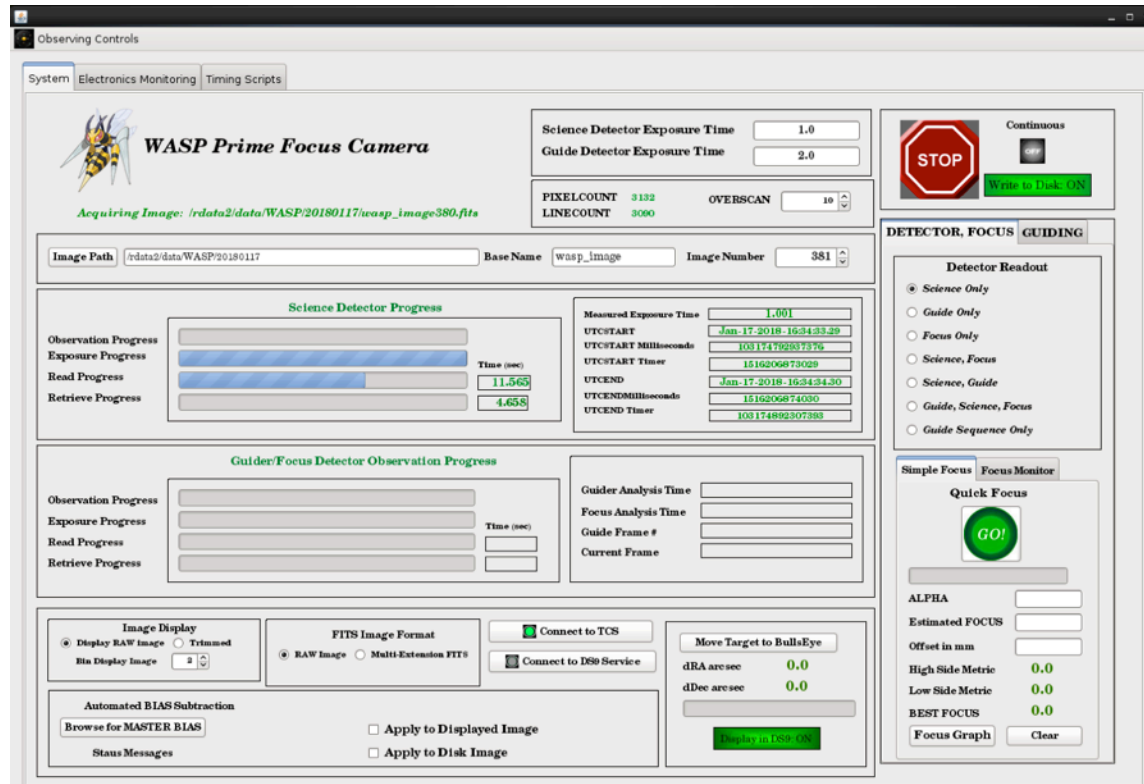


Liquid Nitrogen Hold-Time > 24 hours after optimization

How long does WASP take to cool to operational temperatures?



Liquid Nitrogen Hold-Time > 24 hours after optimization



BASIC OPERATION OF WASP

Basic Operations of WASP

Electronics Monitoring

Enter Exposure Time

Enter Overscan

Press GO button!

GUIDING

Continuous Button

Enter Image Basename

Enter Image Number

Select Detector Readout Mode
 Science ONLY
 Guide ONLY
 Focus ONLY

Science, Focus
Science, Guide
Science, Focus, Guide
Guide sequence

FOCUS Monitoring

Quick FOCUS

Move Target to Bullseye

Display in DS9

Subtract BIAS
 Browse for MASTER BIAS image
 Subtract BIAS from Display Image
 Subtract BIAS from Disk Image

Select FITS output format
 Single Extension FITS
 Multi-Extension FITS

Select Image Display Settings
 Trim prescan and overscan
 Bin the Display Image

Science Detector
 Exposure Progress
 Read Progress
 Retrieve Progress

Guide / Focus Detector
 Exposure Progress
 Read Progress
 Retrieve Progress

Observing Controls
 Dithering
 Astrometry.net
 Sextractor
 Science Image Display
 Guide/Focus Image Display
 WASP Scripting

WASP Prime Focus Camera

Science Detector Exposure Time: 1.0
 Guide Detector Exposure Time: 2.0
 PIXELCOUNT: 3132
 LINECOUNT: 3000
 OVERSCAN: 10

Acquiring Image: /rdata2/data/WASP/20180117/wasp_image380.fits

Image Path: /rdata2/data/WASP/20180117 Base Name: wasp_image Image Number: 381

Science Detector Progress
 Observation Progress
 Exposure Progress
 Read Progress
 Retrieve Progress

Guider/Focus Detector Observation Progress
 Observation Progress
 Exposure Progress
 Read Progress
 Retrieve Progress

Image Display: Display RAW Image Trimmed
 Bin Display Image: 2

FITS Image Format: RAW Image Multi-Extension FITS

Connect to TCS
 Connect to DS9 Service

Automated BIAS Subtraction
 Browse for MASTER BIAS
 Status Messages

Apply to Displayed Image
 Apply to Disk Image

Measured Exposure Time: 1.001
 UTCSTART: Jan-17-2018 16:34:33.29
 UTCSTART Milliseconds: 103174792037376
 UTCSTART Timer: 1516209673029
 UTCEND: Jan-17-2018 16:34:34.30
 UTCEND Milliseconds: 1516209674030
 UTCEND Timer: 103174892307383

Guider Analysis Time
 Focus Analysis Time
 Guide Frame #
 Current Frame

Detector Readout
 Science Only
 Guide Only
 Focus Only
 Science, Focus
 Science, Guide
 Guide, Science, Focus
 Guide, Science, Focus, Guide
 Guide Sequence Only

Simple Focus Focus Monitor
 Quick Focus
 GO!

ALPHA
 Estimated FOCUS
 Offset in mm
 High Side Metric
 Low Side Metric
 BEST FOCUS
 Focus Graph
 Clear

Move Target to Bullseye
 RA arcsec: 0.0
 Dec arcsec: 0.0
 Display in DS9

Electronics Monitoring

Power Monitor per Board

Science Image Rotation

Basic Operations of WASP

Timing File

```
LINE0=Start:
LINE1=STATE000; CALL SerialReceiving
LINE2=STATE000; CALL SynchedLineTransfer
LINE3=STATE000; CALL wReset
LINE4=STATE000; CALL Wait1us
LINE5=STATE000; CALL wUnsetReset
LINE6=STATE000; CALL GroundBLC
LINE7=STATE000; CALL ADClamp
LINE8=STATE000; CALL Wait1us
LINE9=STATE000; CALL OpenBLC
LINE10=STATE000; CALL ADClamp
LINE11=STATE000; CALL Idling(10)
LINE12=STATE000; CALL FParallel3P
LINE13=WaitForExposure:
LINE14=STATE000; CALL Idling
LINE15=STATE000; if trigger_ScienceExpose CALL DoExpose
LINE16=STATE000; GOTO WaitForExposure
LINE17=Idling:
LINE18=STATE000; CALL wCloseShutter
LINE19=STATE000; CALL wReset
LINE20=STATE000; CALL SFG_LineTransfer
LINE21=STATE000; CALL PushFastSerialOutputClocking(100)
LINE22=STATE000; CALL SerialReceiving
LINE23=STATE000; CALL wReset
LINE24=STATE000; CALL Wait1us
LINE25=STATE000; CALL GroundBLC
LINE26=STATE000; CALL ADClamp
LINE27=STATE000; CALL Wait1us
LINE28=STATE000; CALL OpenBLC
LINE29=STATE000; CALL ADClamp
LINE30=STATE000; RETURN Idling
LINE31=DoExpose:
LINE32=STATE000; CALL wOpenShutter
LINE33=STATE000; CALL SetParallelExpose
LINE34=STATE000; CALL wReset
LINE35=STATE000; if trigger_ScienceRead CALL SelectScienceReadoutMode
LINE36=STATE000; if trigger_GuideRead CALL DoFocusReadOut
LINE37=STATE000; if trigger_FocusRead CALL DoGuideReadOutFrameTransfer
LINE38=STATE000; if trigger_Abort GOTO WaitForExposure
LINE39=STATE000; GOTO DoExpose
LINE40=SelectScienceReadoutMode:
LINE41=STATE000; CALL wCloseShutter
LINE42=STATE000; if param_ScienceClassicReadout CALL DoScienceReadout
LINE43=STATE000; if param_ScienceMovieReadout CALL DoMovieReadout
LINE44=STATE000; if trigger_Abort GOTO WaitForExposure
LINE45=STATE000; GOTO SelectScienceReadoutMode
LINE46=DoMovieReadout:
LINE47=STATE000; CALL FastSerialOutputClocking(param_SciencePixels)
LINE48=STATE000; CALL SerialReceiving
LINE49=STATE000; CALL wFrame
LINE50=STATE000; CALL ScienceRead(100)
LINE51=STATE000; CALL wOpenShutter
```

Basic Operations of WASP

- The first thing an observer needs to decide when using WASP is the format and naming of the FITS image files produced.
 - FITS images are stored within date stamped image directories that are automatically created whenever the software is started. The date stamped image directory is created under the DEFAULT_DATA_DIRECTORY specified in the Archon.ini configuration file. The currently configured output data directory is DEFAULT_DATA_DIRECTORY = /rdata2/data/WASP. This directory may be changed in the future dependent upon disk space requirements.
- FITS format: WASP science detector images are readout using 4 separate amplifier channels and the observer can choose to write the images as either multi-extension FITS images with each quadrant written to a different image extension (including the prescan and overscan) or as single image frames. The default is to use the “raw” format where a single image extension is included in the FITS file. If the primary analysis method will be using iraf’s ccdproc then the multi-extension format is preferred. For all other analysis methods the “raw” format is preferred.
- What overscan does the observer want in the image? The overscan size can be configured by setting the overscan size in the provided spinner control. Observers using ccdproc may want to set a specific overscan size. Observers who do not require the overscan for their data reduction process can simply set it to zero.



A screenshot of a software configuration window. It contains two labels on the left: 'PIXELCOUNT' and 'LINECOUNT', both followed by green numerical values '3172' and '3130' respectively. To the right of these is a label 'OVERSCAN' followed by a spinner control. The spinner control has a text box showing the value '50' and up/down arrow buttons.

- Image naming convention:
DEFAULT_DATA_DIRECTORY + \$YYYYMMDD+\$BASENAME+\$IMAGENUMBER.FITS
where DEFAULT_DATA_DIRECTORY = default data directory specified in the Archon.ini configuration file
\$YYYYMMDD = the date directory in year, month and day format
\$BASENAME = the image base name entered in the base name text field
\$IMAGENUMBER = the image number, this number automatically increments after each image is taken
GUIDER IMAGES = DEFAULT_DATA_DIRECTORY + \$YYYYMMDD+\$BASENAME + "_guide_" + \$IMAGENUMBER.FITS
FOCUS IMAGES = DEFAULT_DATA_DIRECTORY + \$YYYYMMDD+\$BASENAME + "_focus_" + \$IMAGENUMBER.FITS

Specifying how the FITS image is displayed and written to disk

- Specifying the image name: Set the BASENAME and the IMAGE NUMBER



A screenshot of a software interface for specifying image names. It contains three input fields: 'Image Path' with the value '/rdata2/data/WASP/20180126', 'Base Name' with the value 'wasp_image', and 'Image Number' with a spinner control set to '22'.

- Specifying the FITS format: Single or Multi-Extension FITS



A screenshot of a control box titled 'FITS Image Format'. It contains two radio buttons: 'RAW Image' (which is selected) and 'Multi-Extension FITS'.

- Determine how you want the image displayed: Trim prescan and overscan?
 - The size of the WASP images makes image display slow so the displayed image is binned 2x2 by default.
 - You can turn off binning by setting the “Bin Display Image” spinner control to 1x1 or increase the size of the binning.



A screenshot of a control box titled 'Image Display'. It contains two radio buttons: 'Display RAW image' (selected) and 'Trimmed'. Below these is a 'Bin Display Image' label followed by a spinner control set to '2'.

- Do you have a bias frame that you'd like to subtract from the displayed image or the disk image?



A screenshot of a control box titled 'Automated BIAS Subtraction'. It features a 'Browse for MASTER BIAS' button, a text field showing '/MASTER_BIAS_2018_1_1.fits', and two checkboxes: 'Apply to Displayed Image' (checked) and 'Apply to Disk Image' (unchecked). Below these is a 'Status Messages' label and a green text message: 'Dimension of current and bias image are not the same!!'.

WASP Readout Modes

- Detector Readout Modes
 - **Science ONLY** – reads out only the science detector
 - **Guide ONLY** – reads out only the guide detector
 - **Focus ONLY** – reads out only the focus detector
 - **Science, Focus** – reads out both the science and focus detector after EXPTIME. Used for focus monitoring by automatically running Sextractor on each image.
 - **Science, Guide** – first exposes the guide detector for the selected guide exposure time, finds all stars in the image, automatically selects guide stars and configures the ROI for fast readout, guide during exposure, close shutter and readout the science detector.
 - **Guide, Science, Focus** – first exposes the guide detector for the selected guide exposure time, finds all stars in the image, automatically selects guide stars and configures the ROI for fast readout, guide during exposure, close shutter and readout the science detector then the focus detector.
 - **Guide sequence only** – first exposes the guide detector for the selected guide exposure time, finds all stars in the image, automatically selects guide stars and configures the ROI for fast readout, guide during exposure, close shutter. This is essentially a test mode for guiding and is not used in observing.

Detector Readout

☒ ***Science Only***

☐ ***Guide Only***

☐ ***Focus Only***

☐ ***Science, Focus***

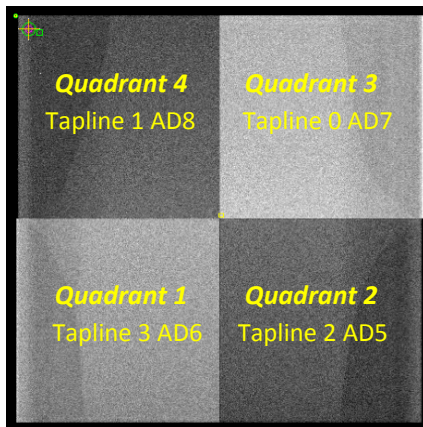
☐ ***Science, Guide***

☐ ***Guide, Science, Focus***

☐ ***Guide Sequence Only***

WASP Sub-array Mode

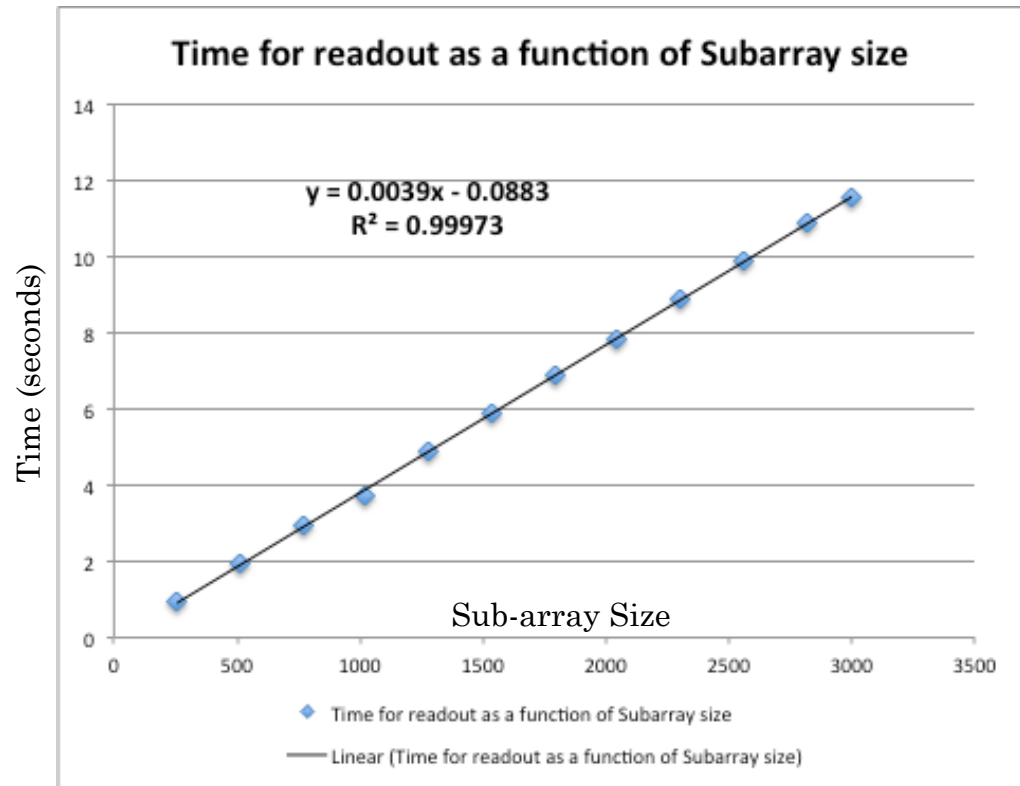
- Sub-arrays may be readout centered in any of the 4 quadrants
- Quadrants are numbered starting in the lower left quadrant and then numbered counter-clockwise.

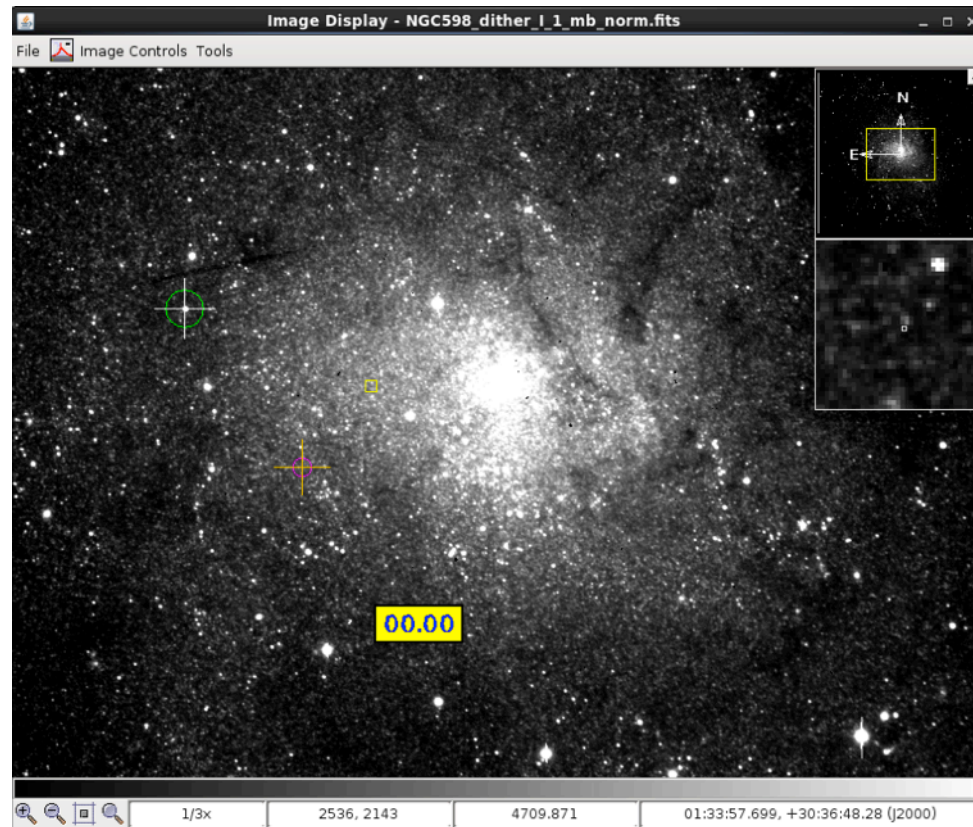


Subarray Size	Readout Time (seconds)
256	0.961
512	1.927
768	2.929
1024	3.726
1280	4.883
1536	5.898
1792	6.857
2048	7.801
2304	8.883
2560	9.863
2816	10.874
3000	11.553

Subarray Size

Quadrant

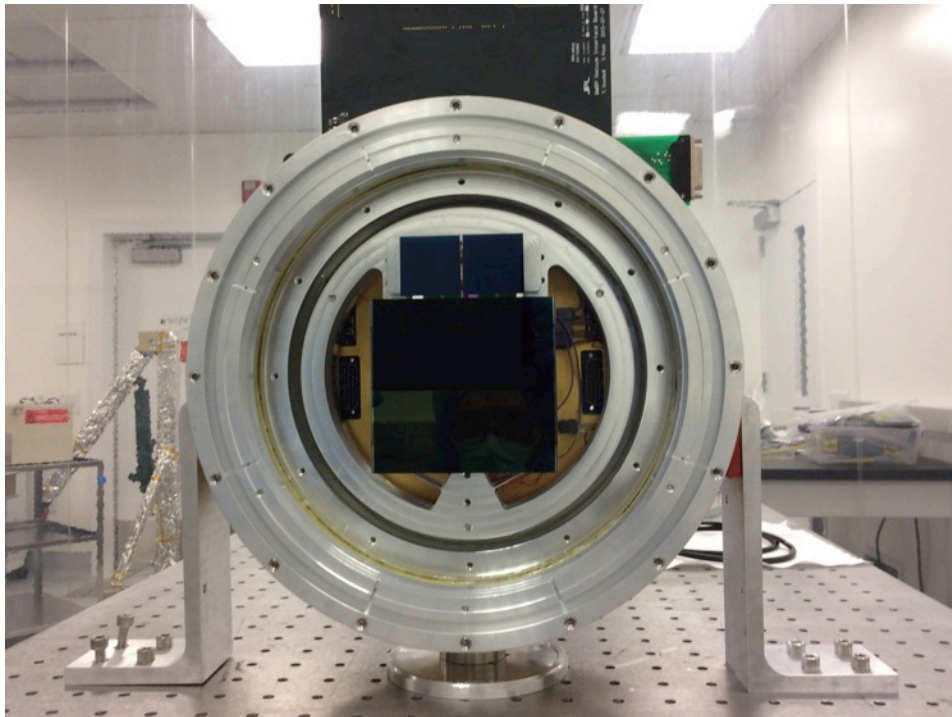




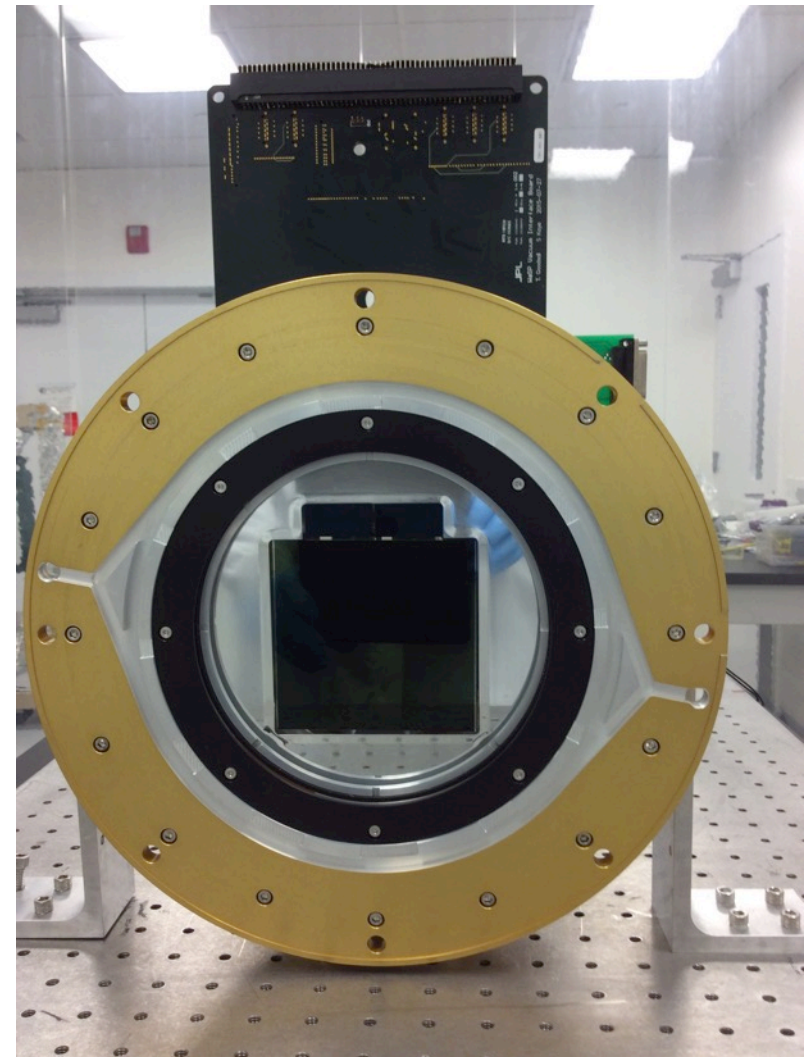
THE IMAGE DISPLAY SYSTEM

Science, Guide and Focus Detectors Installed in the WASP dewar

**STA3600A 2064x2064
Guide Detector**



**STA3600A 2064x2064
Focus Detector**



**E2V 6144x6160 CCD231-C6
Back Illuminated Science Detector**

Lower half of the dewar with VIB attached fully assembled

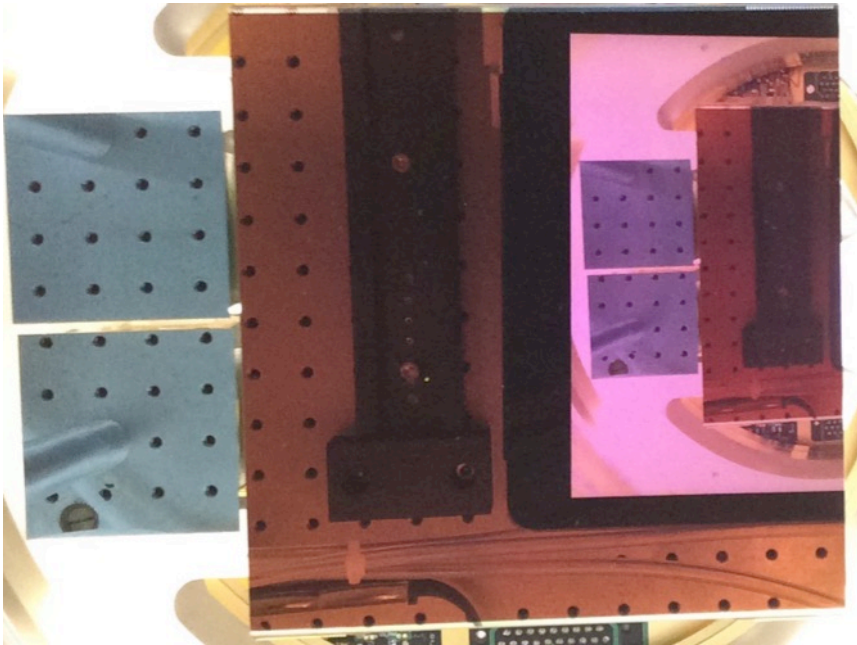
WASP – Palomar P200 Telescope

On-Sky Orientation of Science, Guide and Focus CCDs

September 13, 2016

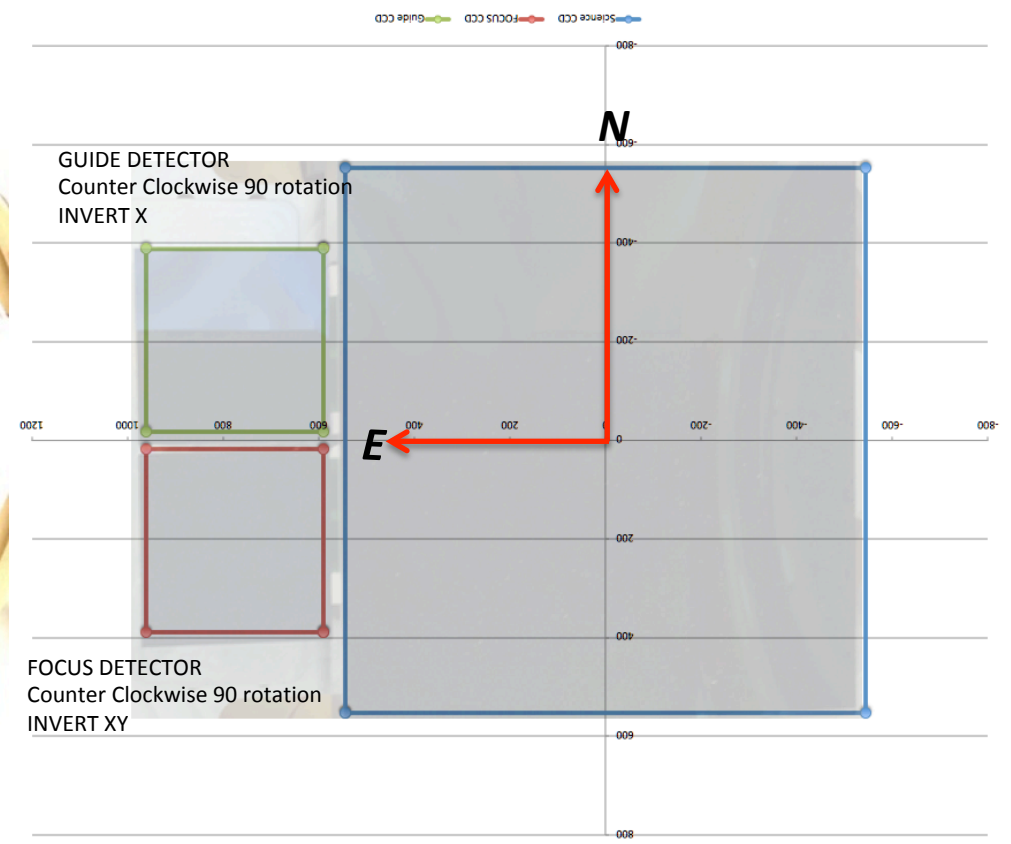
Science Detector Plate Scale = 0.18 arc-seconds/pixel

STA3600A 2064x2064
Guide Detector



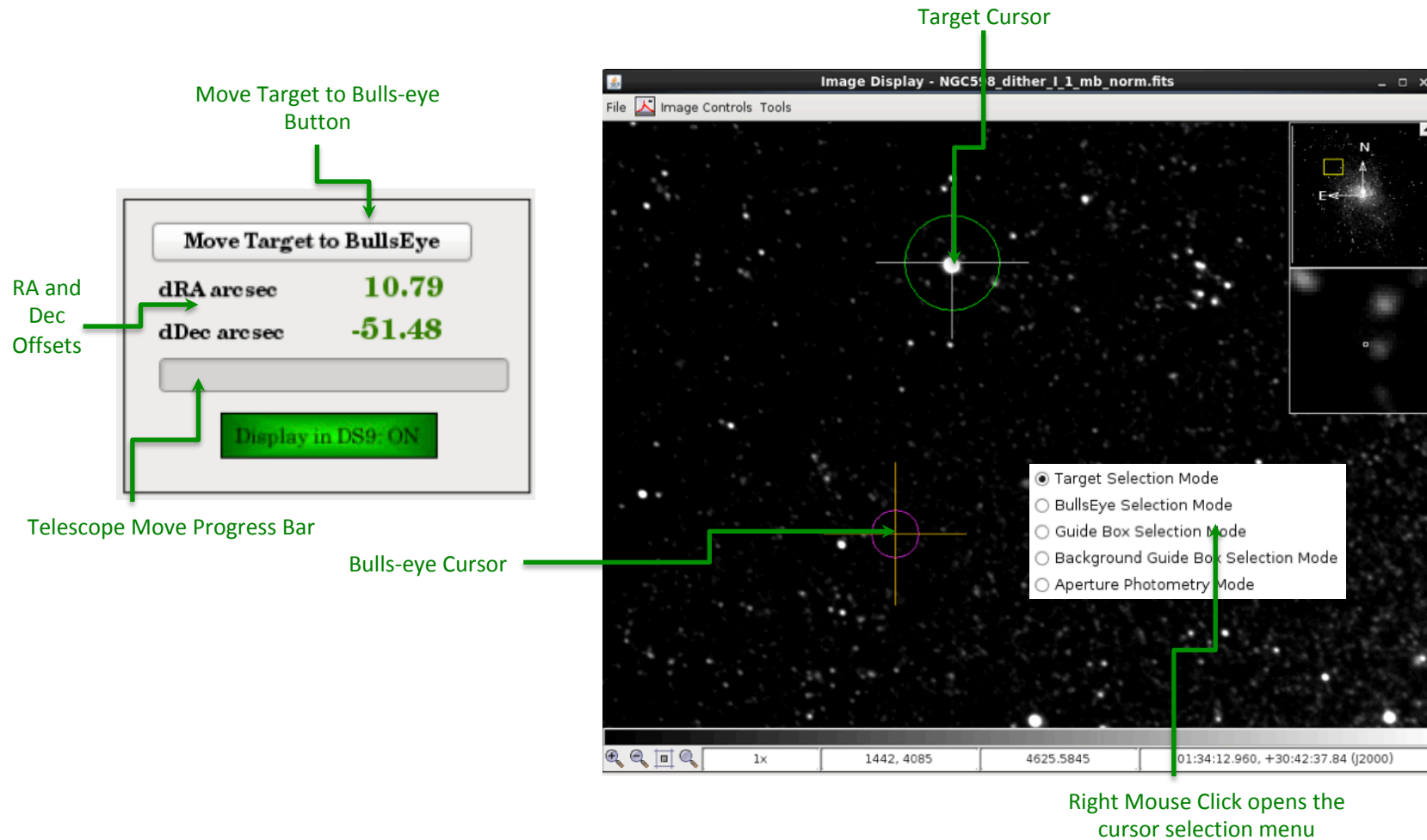
STA3600A 2064x2064
Focus Detector

E2V 6144x6160 CCD231-C6
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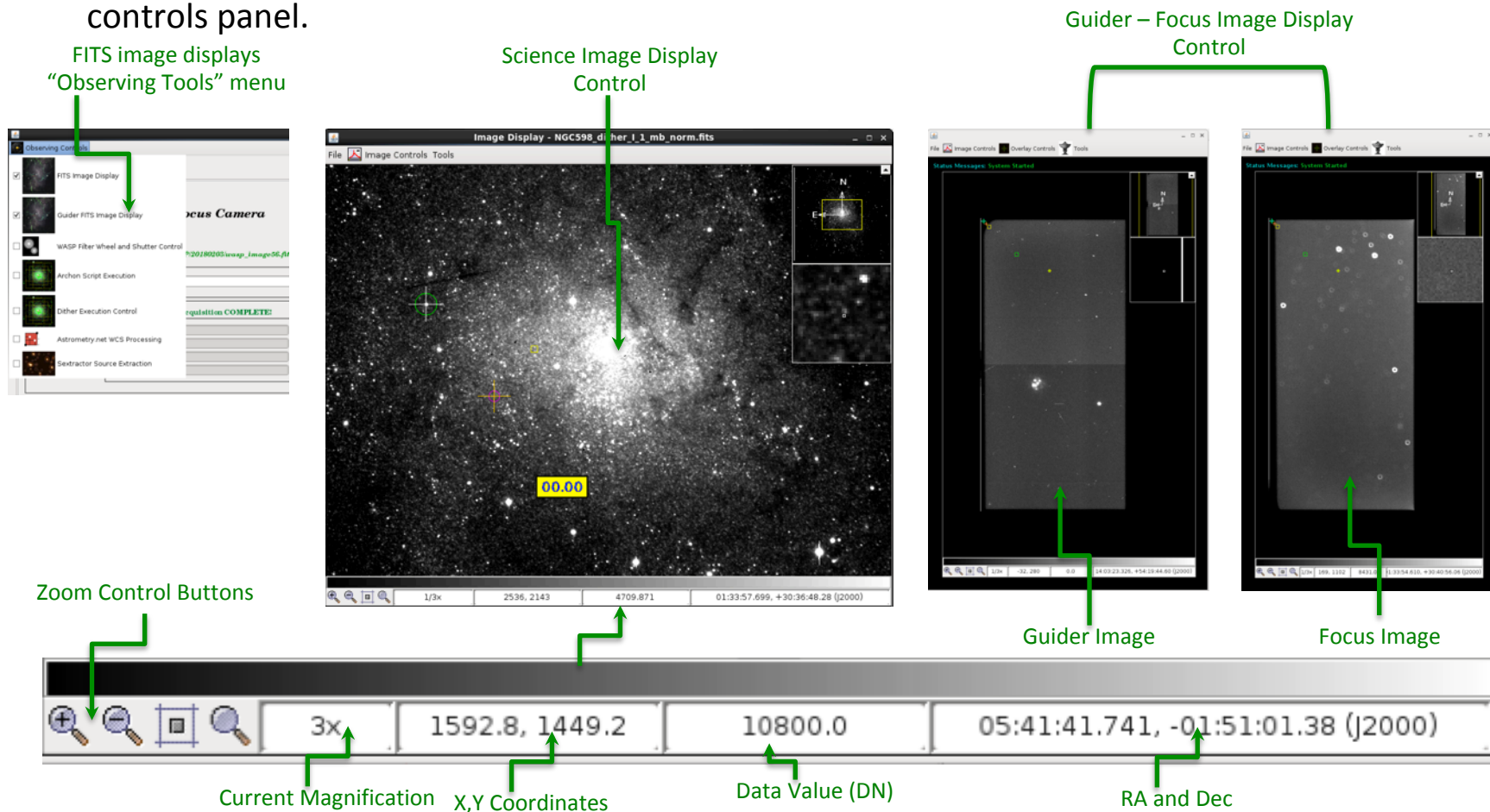
Target Acquisition and Placement with WASP

- **Where do you want your target to be placed on the WASP detector?**
- The WASP image display system integrates telescope control into the image display using the “Target to Bulls-eye” system.
- Place the “Target” cursor on the object that you wish to move and the “Bulls-eye” cursor where you want the object to be placed. The calculated offset required to move the target to the bulls-eye location is displayed on the main WASP controls panel.
- Press the “Move Target to Bulls-eye” button and the target is moved to the selected location.



WASP Image Display System

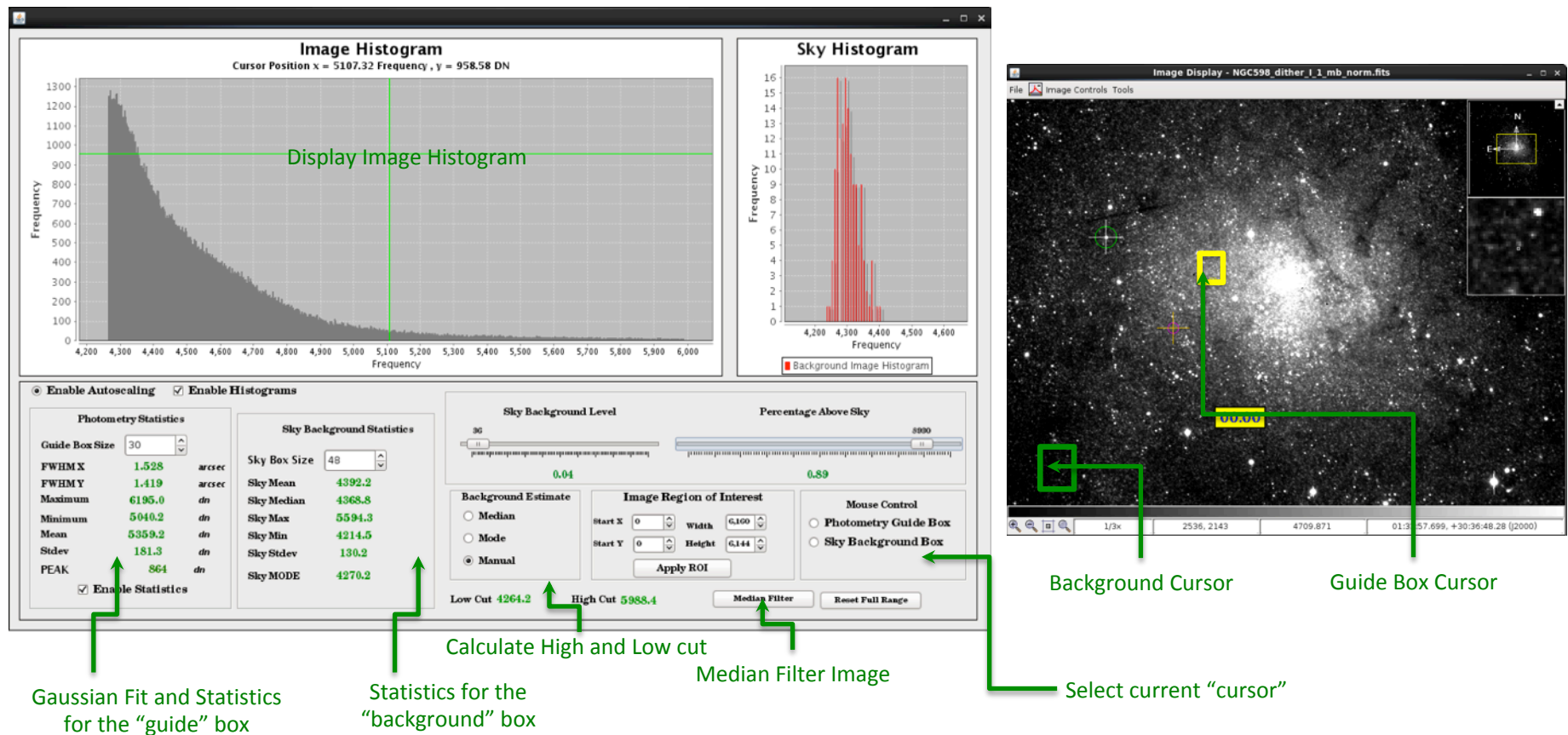
- The WASP instrument software uses two separate image displays for the science detector images and the guider/focus detector images.
- Access to the image displays is available from the “Observing Tools” menu on the main WASP controls panel.



WASP Image Display System

Image Contrast Controls

- The science CCD image display has a sophisticated image contrast and brightness control that uses 2 mouse cursors to set the scaling limits for the image.
- First enable auto-scaling then place the “background” cursor on an area of the image to set the base of the image scale and the “guide” cursor on a star that sets the top of the image scale.



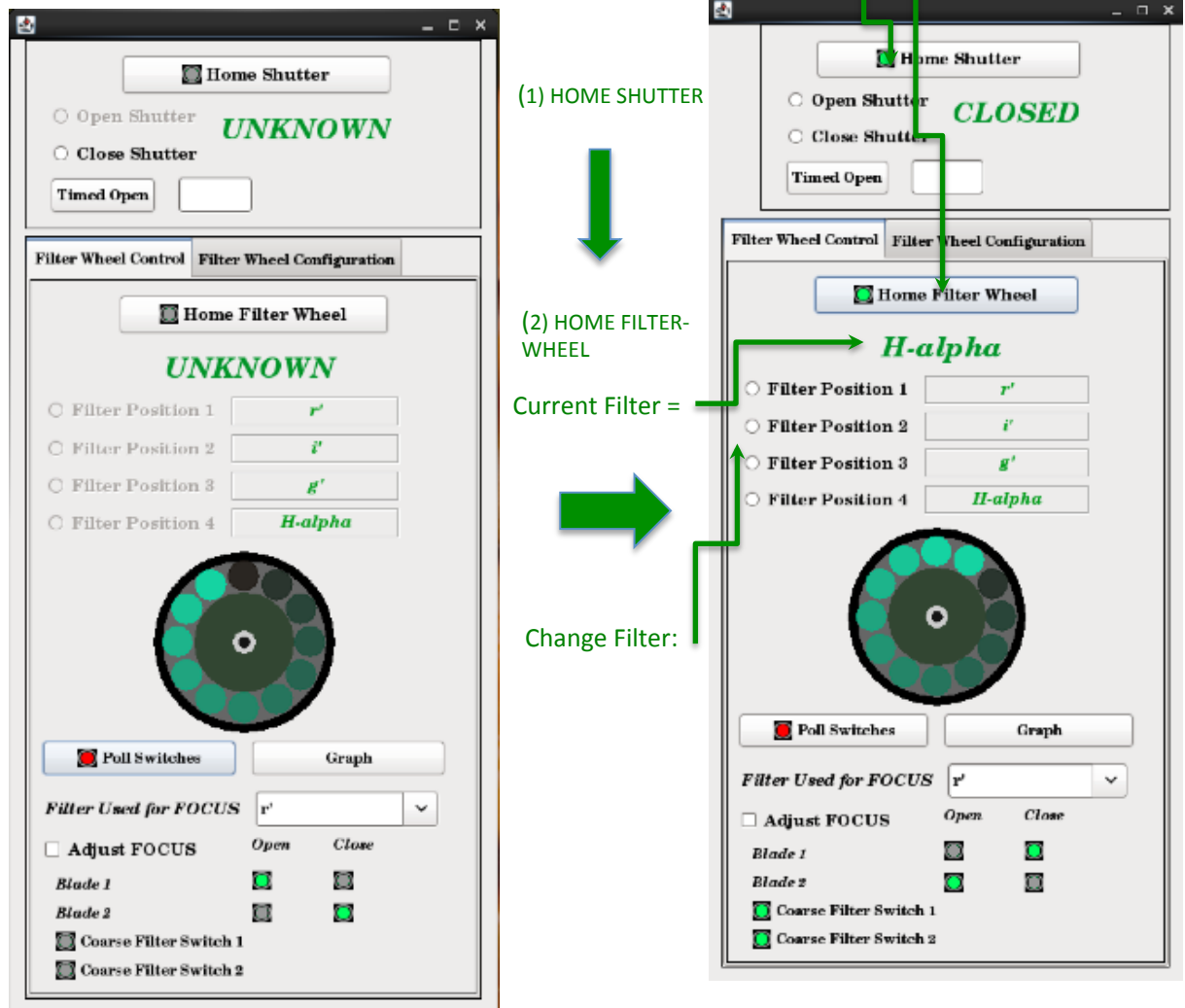


WASP MECHANISMS

WASP Mechanisms

Shutter and Filter Wheel Control

- The WASP camera uses the same shutter and filter-wheel originally created for LFC.
- Unlike LFC, the shutter and filter-wheel are controlled via a GUI accessed from the “Observing Tools” menu on the main panel
- It is necessary to “HOME” both mechanisms prior to use.
- IMPORTANT: FIRST HOME THE SHUTTER THEN THE FILTER-WHEEL
- EVEN MORE IMPORTANT: NEVER MOVE BOTH MECHANISMS AT THE SAME TIME!!! (*communication to both mechanisms is through a single serial port*)
- Shutter homing normal takes less than 60 seconds
- Filter wheel homing can take up to 5 minutes so please be patient.
- The filter wheel is SLOW due to the need to position the filter with high precision so that flats are reproducible.



WASP Mechanisms

Shutter and Filter Wheel Control

- Palomar staff are responsible for loading the filters into the filter-wheel.
- Once the filters are placed in the filter-wheel the Palomar staff will select the correct filter for each position using the combo-box controls (Filter 1,2,3,4) and then save the configuration so that future software starts contain the correct filter name.
- Changing filters can effect the focus position by as much as 2.8mm so it's necessary that the software "knows" which filter was used to focus the instrument.
- If the "Adjust FOCUS" checkbox is checked then changing the filter also automatically changes the focus based upon the knowing which filter was used for focusing:
- Example: r' and i' filters focus at the same position but the g' filter focuses +1.5mm higher. If you focus in i' or r' and then change to g' the software automatically changes focus by 1.5mm

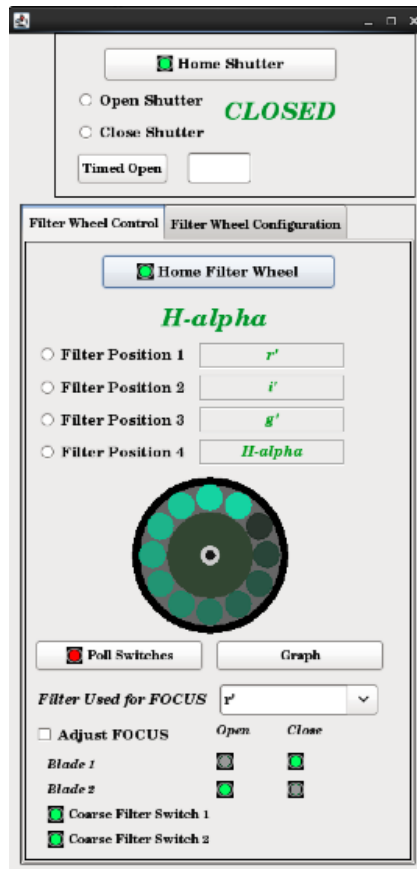
ACTIVATE SHUTTER and ACTIVATE FILTER-WHEEL

Select current filter in position:
PALOMAR STAFF ONLY!!

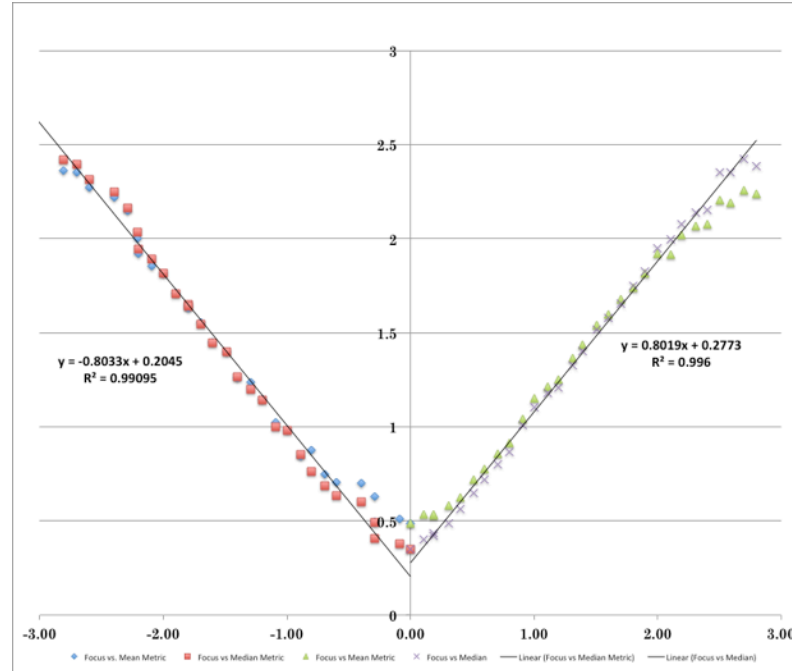
WASP Mechanisms

Filter wheel timing: How long does it take to move from one position to the next?

- The WASP filter-wheel takes approximately 18.68 +/- 1.1 seconds to move from one filter position to the next.



<i>Filter Wheel Move</i>	<i>Time (seconds)</i>
2 to 1	20.02
1 to 2	18.52
2 to 3	18.16
3 to 4	18.76
2 to 3	18.22
3 to 4	19.38
1 to 2	18.05
2 to 3	18.39
3 to 4	19.63
4 to 3	20.61
3 to 2	16.81
2 to 1	17.55
Mean	18.68 seconds/position
Standard Deviation	1.07



FOCUSING THE INSTRUMENT

Focusing the WASP camera

- There are 3 principle mechanisms for focusing the WASP camera
 - (1) Run a “focus script” that acquires a set of images at different focus values and analyze the results using the provided focus graph tool. This should only be necessary when the instrument is first installed on the telescope and the best focus position is truly unknown.
 - (2) Run the “Quick Focus” tool. This is a quick method for determining focus by measuring the donut metric at two positions offset from and estimated best focus and calculating the best focus from the results.
 - (3) Monitor best focus using the integrated focus detector. The focus detector is offset from the science focal plane by 1.485 mm so the best focus can be calculated directly from a measurement of the donut metric on both the science and focus detectors.

Focus Script Analysis



Quick Focus Tool

The screenshot shows the 'Quick Focus' tool interface. It has two tabs: 'Simple Focus' and 'Focus Monitor'. The 'Quick Focus' section has a large green 'GO!' button. Below it are several input fields and labels:

- ALPHA: 0.680
- Estimated FOCUS: 27.1
- Offset in mm: 1.0
- High Side Metric: 0.0
- Low Side Metric: 0.0
- BEST FOCUS: 0.0

At the bottom are two buttons: 'Focus Graph' and 'Clear'.

Focus Monitoring

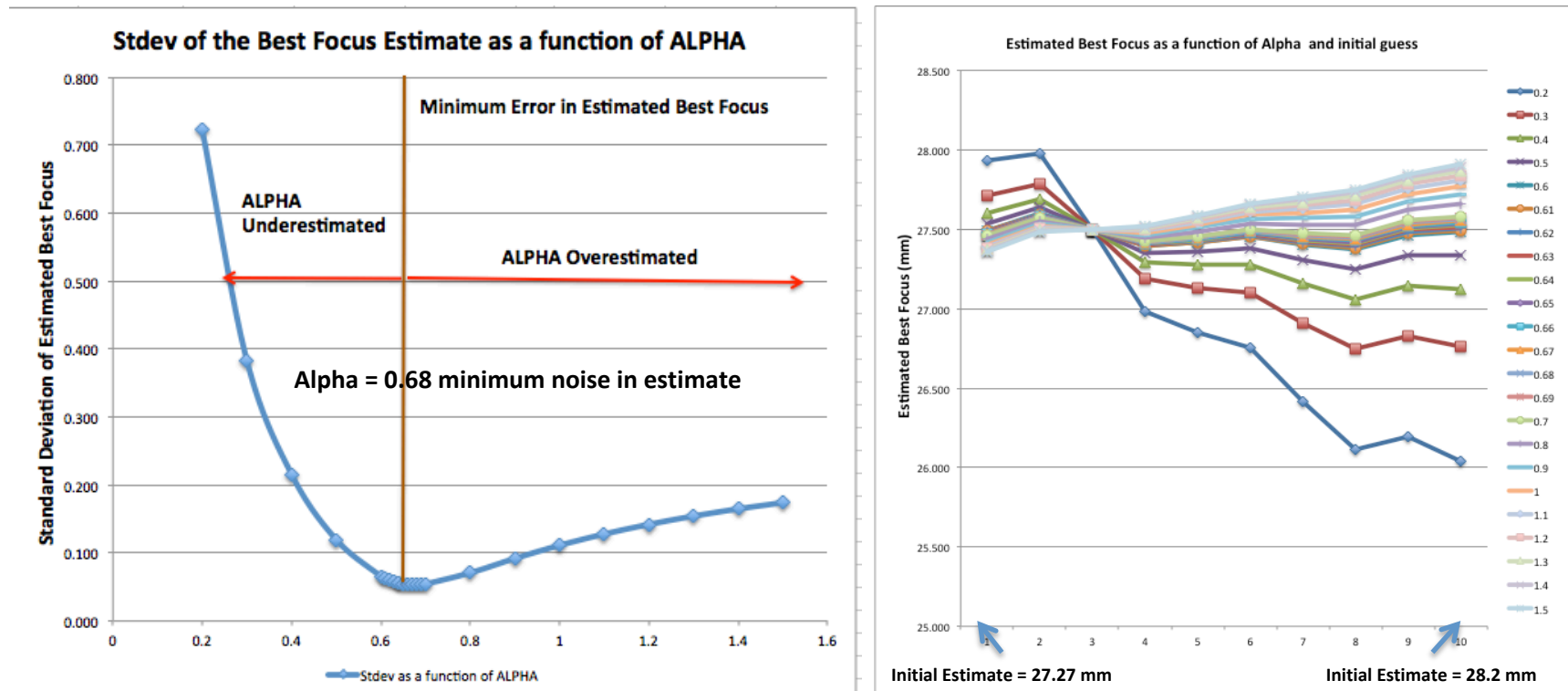
The screenshot shows the 'Focus Monitoring' tool interface. It has two tabs: 'Simple Focus' and 'Focus Monitor'. The 'Focus Donut Analysis' section shows the following values:

- Science Detector: 0.0
- Focus Detector: 0.0
- Focus - Science: 0.0
- Best Focus: 0.0

Below these values is a button labeled 'Enable Focus Monitoring'. At the bottom are two buttons: 'Focus Graph' and 'Clear'.

Do we really know the value of Alpha?

Estimated best focus should be constant and not effected by initial estimate of focus.
For what value of Alpha is the standard deviation of the estimated best focus a minimum?

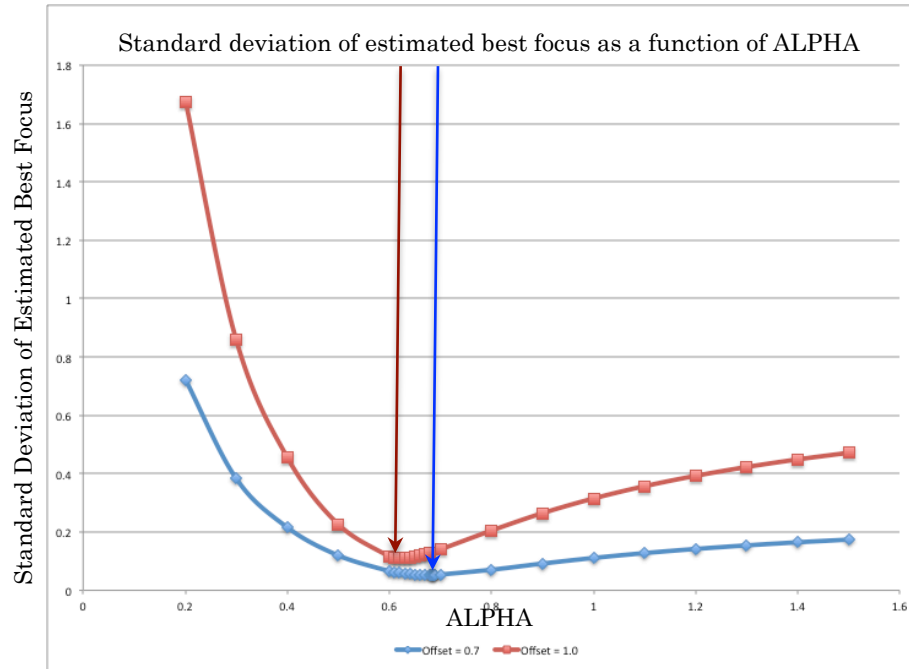


Value of Alpha for minimum noise in Estimated Best Focus = 0.68
Estimated error in Best Focus Estimate = 0.053 mm

Do we really know the value of Alpha? (continued)

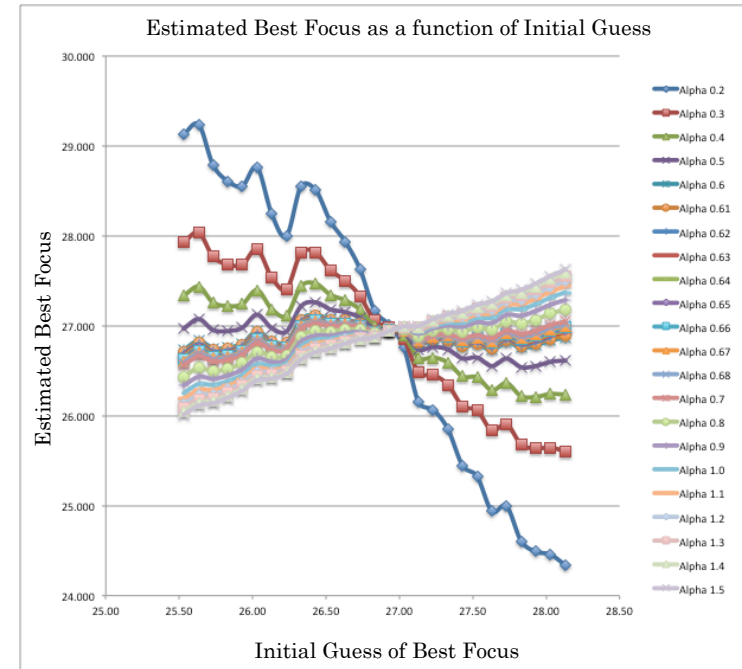
Does the offset from the initial guess change the ALPHA value?

Estimated best focus should be constant and not effected by initial estimate of focus.
For what value of Alpha is the standard deviation of the estimated best focus a minimum?



OFFSET = 1.0mm Value of Alpha for minimum noise in Estimated Best Focus = 0.63
Estimated error in Best Focus Estimate = 0.11mm

OFFSET = 0.7mm Value of Alpha for minimum noise in Estimated Best Focus = 0.68
Estimated error in Best Focus Estimate = 0.053 mm



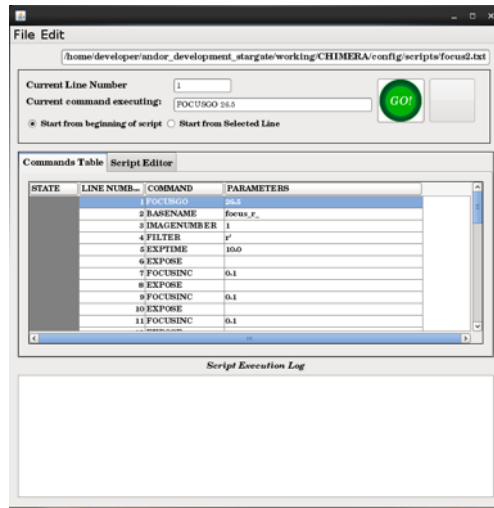
Focusing the WASP camera

Running a complete focus curve analysis

Open the SExtractor controls panel and
Press the Focus Graph Tool button in the upper
right corner of the control

Press "Select Files" and browse to locate the files produced
by the Focus script and select and add them to the tool.

Open and run the focus.txt script



Specify the following parameters:

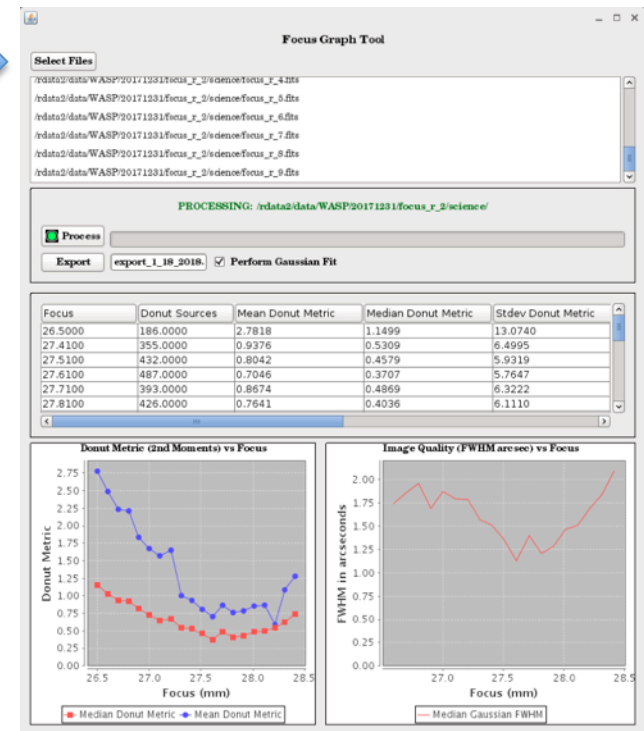
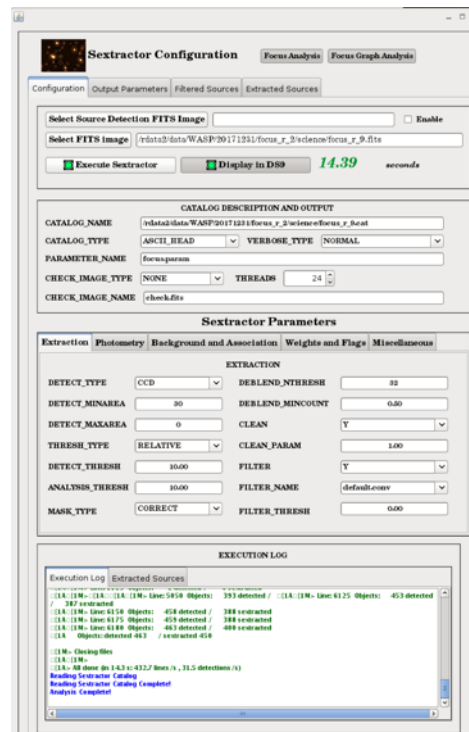
Initial focus

Focus increment

Exposure Time

Image BASENAME

Starting image number



Press the "Process" button and wait while the tool
analyzes the images and creates the plots

Focusing the WASP camera

Running the Quick Focus Tool

Equation (1) $F_0 = (F^+ + F^-)/2 + (A_4^- - A_4^+)/(2\alpha).$

Quick Focus Tool

- The “Quick Focus” Tool is a the fast way to determine the best focus.
- Requirements:
 - Estimate the best focus
 - Set the offset in mm
- Process: The “Quick Focus” Tool first takes an image with the focus set to (ESTIMATED_FOCUS – OFFSET) followed by setting the focus to (ESTIMATED_FOCUS + OFFSET) and taking a second image. Each image is then analyzed using Sextractor to calculate the median donut metric in each image. Using the measured donut metric on both sides of focus and the known value of α , the best focus can be calculated from equation (1).
- How close does the estimated focus need to be? For Equation (1) to be valid each of the images must be taken of different sides of focus. Therefore, the estimate must be within +/- OFFSET in mm from the true best focus.
- How can you tell that you’re really at the “best” focus? If you set focus to the “best” focus estimate and then repeat the measurement (i.e. re-run the tool) the resulting high and low side donut metrics should be the same indicating that the measurements were taken symmetrically about the best focus position.
- ADVANTAGE: The measurement of the donut metric for images that are $\geq 0.5\text{mm}$ out of focus is not dependent upon the seeing and doesn’t show the same noise

Quick Focus Tool

Simple Focus Focus Monitor

Quick Focus

GO!

ALPHA 0.680

Estimated FOCUS 27.1

Offset in mm 1.0

High Side Metric 0.0

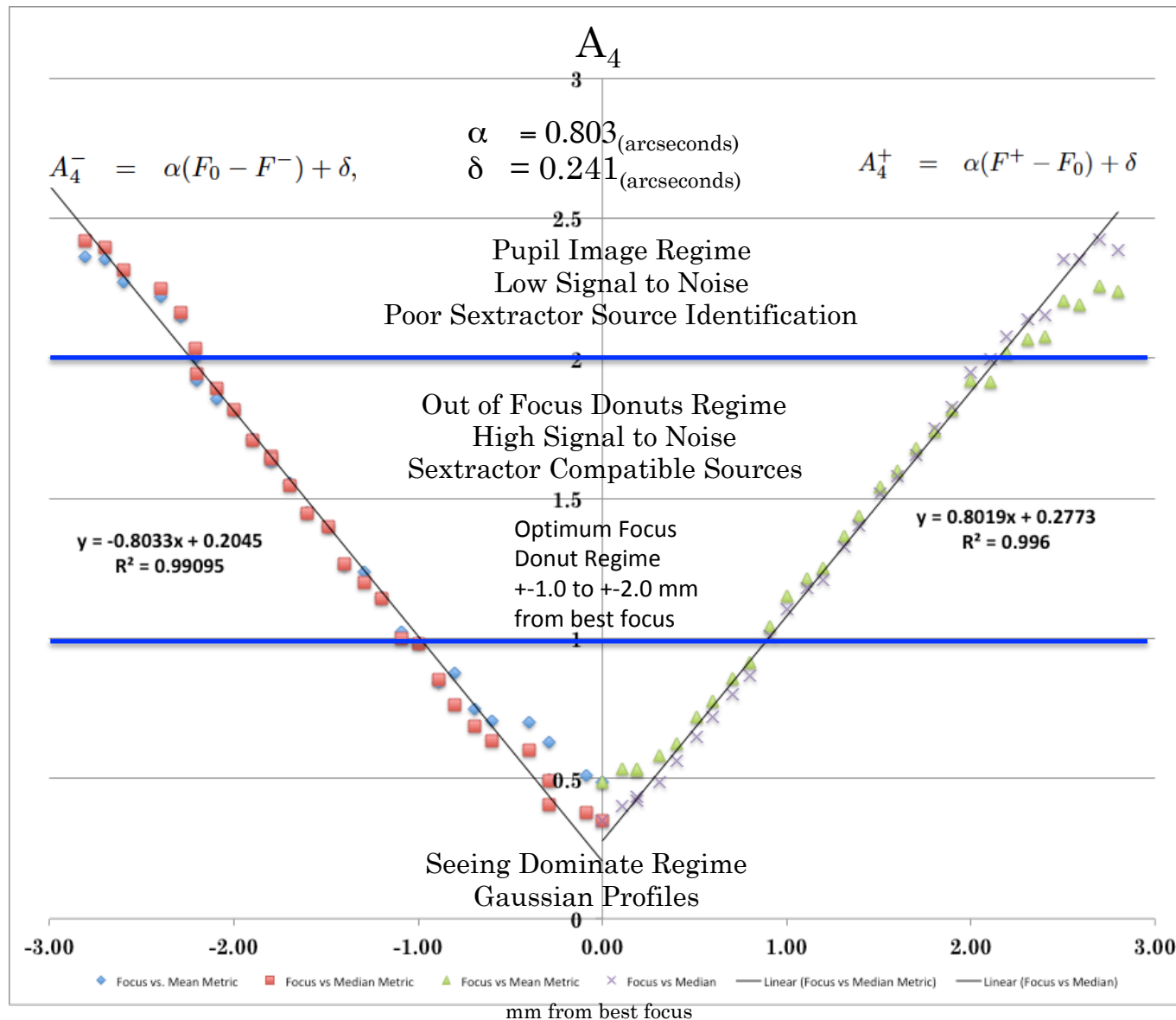
Low Side Metric 0.0

BEST FOCUS 0.0

Focus Graph Clear

WASP – Palomar P200 Telescope Focus Analysis

Developing the “Donut” method for focus determination



Focusing the WASP camera

Turn on FOCUS Monitoring

Equation (1) $F_0 = (F^+ + F^-)/2 + (A_4^- - A_4^+)/(2\alpha).$

Focus Monitoring

- The focus monitoring system uses the integrated focus detector which is offset from the science detector by 1.485mm. By taking an image of both the science and focus detector simultaneously and measuring the donut metric on each the requirements of equation (1) can be satisfied.
- Substituting $F^- = F^+ - 1.485\text{mm}$ into equation (1) allows a best focus estimate to be calculated from knowledge of the current focus, the measured donut metric on the two detectors and a known α .
- In order for the calculation to fulfill the requirements of equation (1) the science detector must be either at best focus or on the high side of focus. For this reason the focus monitoring tool is better used to monitor and make minor adjustments to focus rather than as the primary means of determining best focus.
- In order for the “Focus Monitoring” function to work both the science and focus detectors must be readout and analyzed. As a result the readout mode must be set to either Science, Focus or Guide, Science, Focus

Focus Monitoring

Focus Donut Analysis	
	Donut Metric
Science Detector	0.0
Focus Detector	0.0
Focus - Science	0.0
Best Focus	0.0

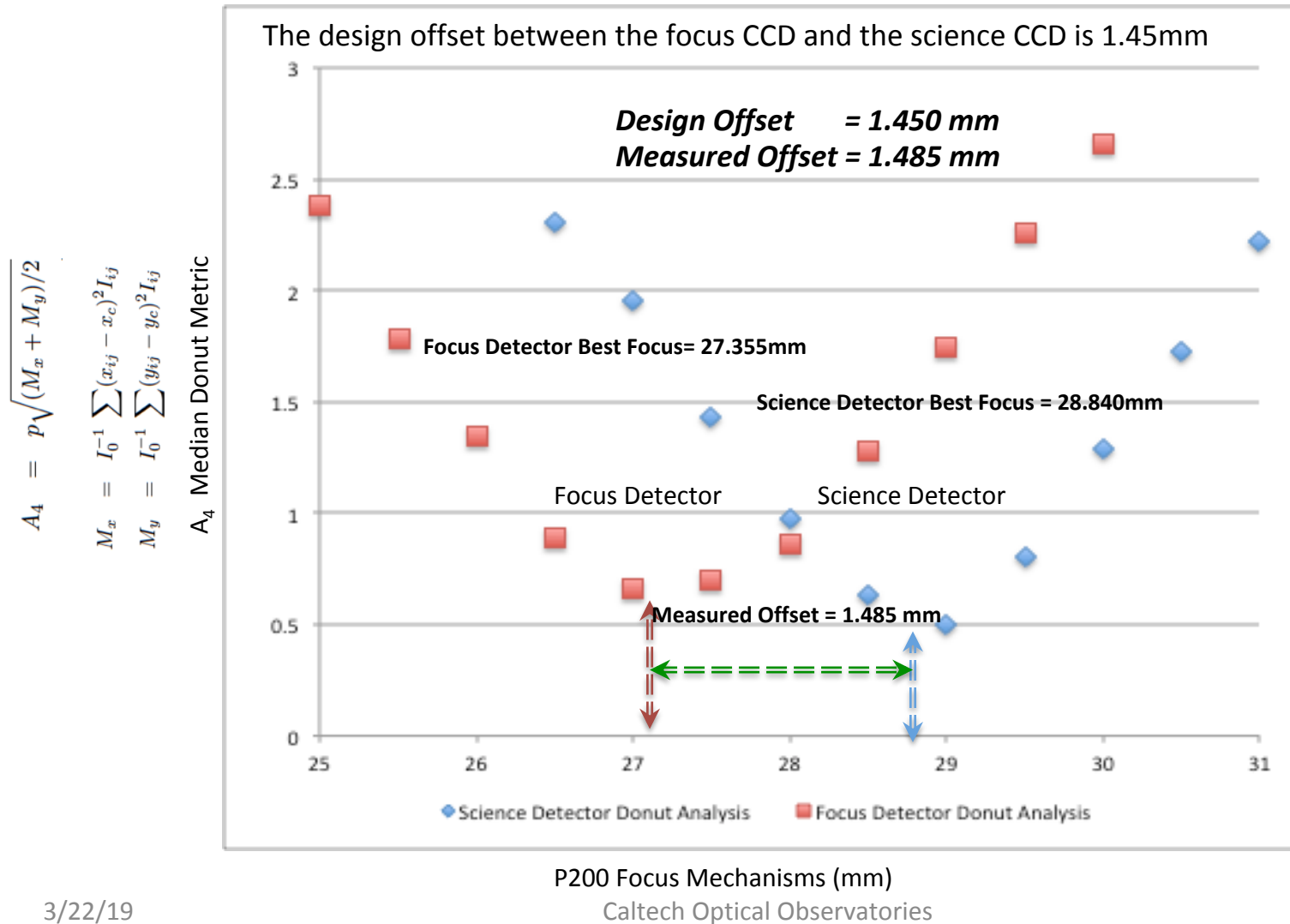
☒ Enable Focus Monitoring

Focus Graph Clear

WASP – Palomar P200 Telescope Focus Analysis

September 13, 2016

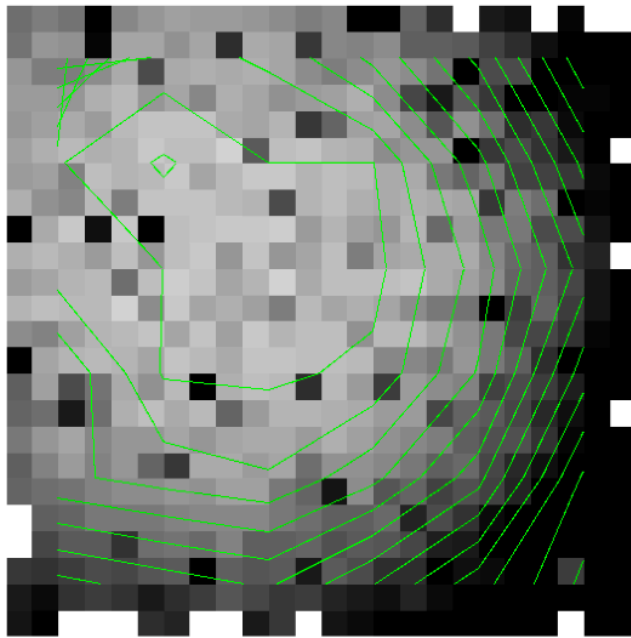
Measuring the focus offset of the integrated STA focus detector



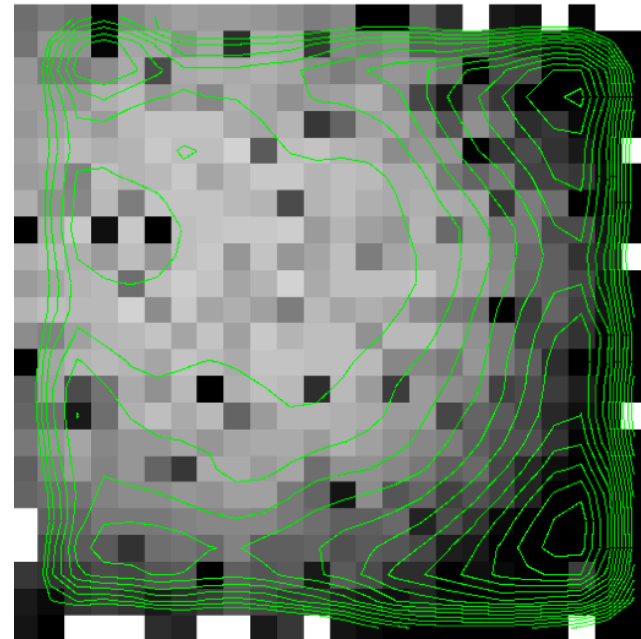
Focusing the WASP camera

The shape of the WASP best focus surface

FWHM Map of the WASP science detector



DS9 Contour METHOD = BLOCK



DS9 Contour METHOD = SMOOTH

CONTOURS

0.95
1
1.05
1.1
1.15
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1.35
1.4
1.45
1.5
1.55
1.6
1.65
1.7
1.75
1.8
1.85
1.9
1.95
2

FWHM arcseconds

CONTOUR INTERVAL = 0.05 arcseconds per contour

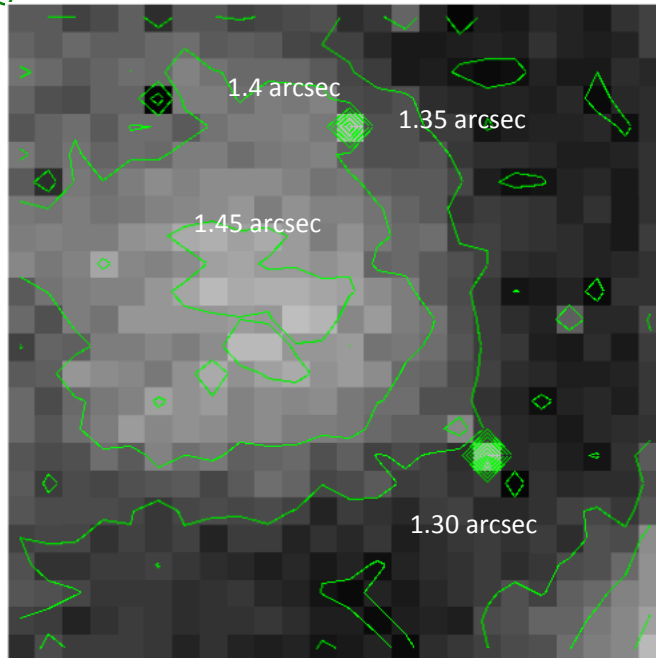
Focusing the WASP camera

The shape of the WASP best focus surface December 2018

FWHM Map of the WASP science detector

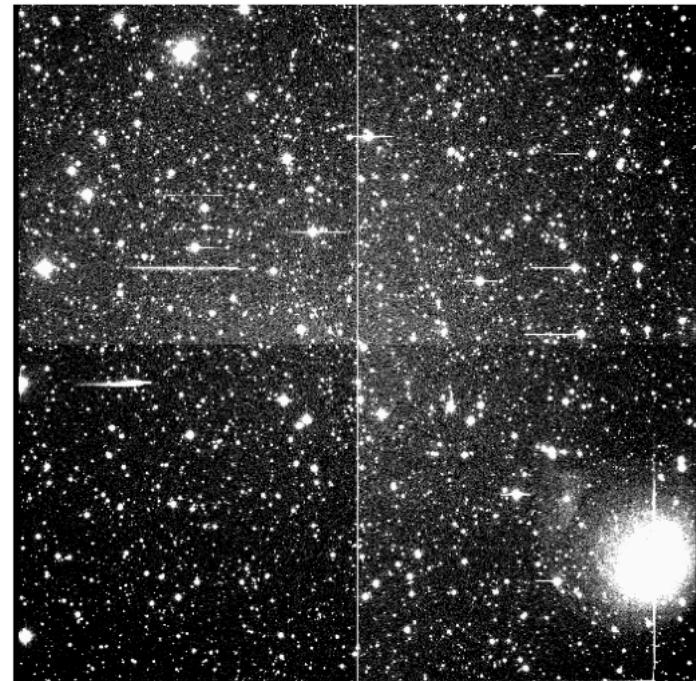
CONTOURS

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1.85
1.9
1.95
2



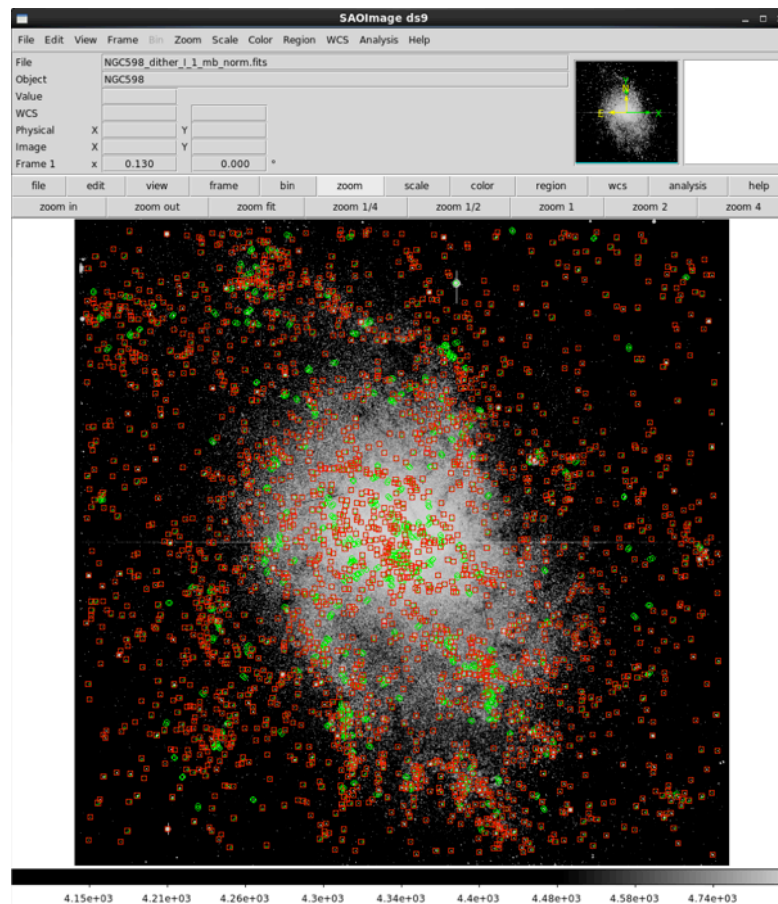
FWHM arcseconds

DS9 Contour METHOD = BLOCK



30 second "Best Focus" image used for generating the focus height map

CONTOUR INTERVAL = 0.05 arcseconds per contour

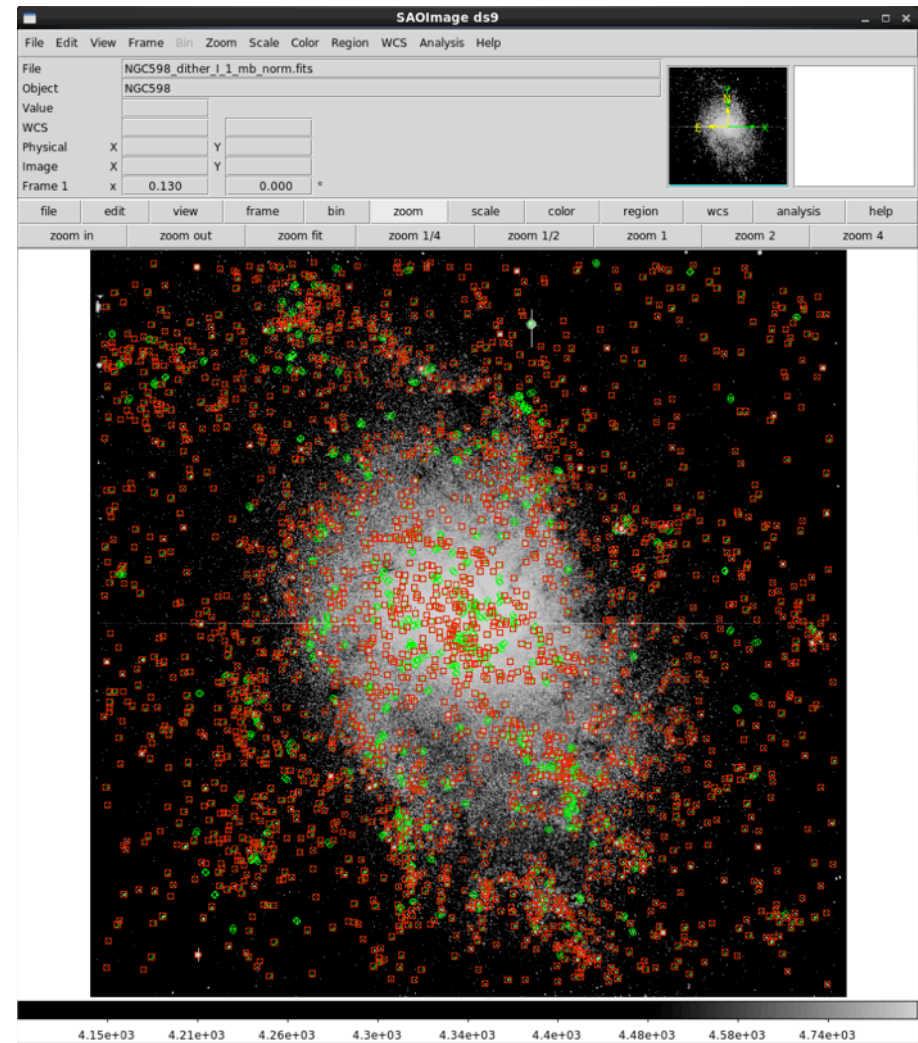


SEXTRACTOR INTEGRATION

WASP and SExtractor

GUI integration with DS9

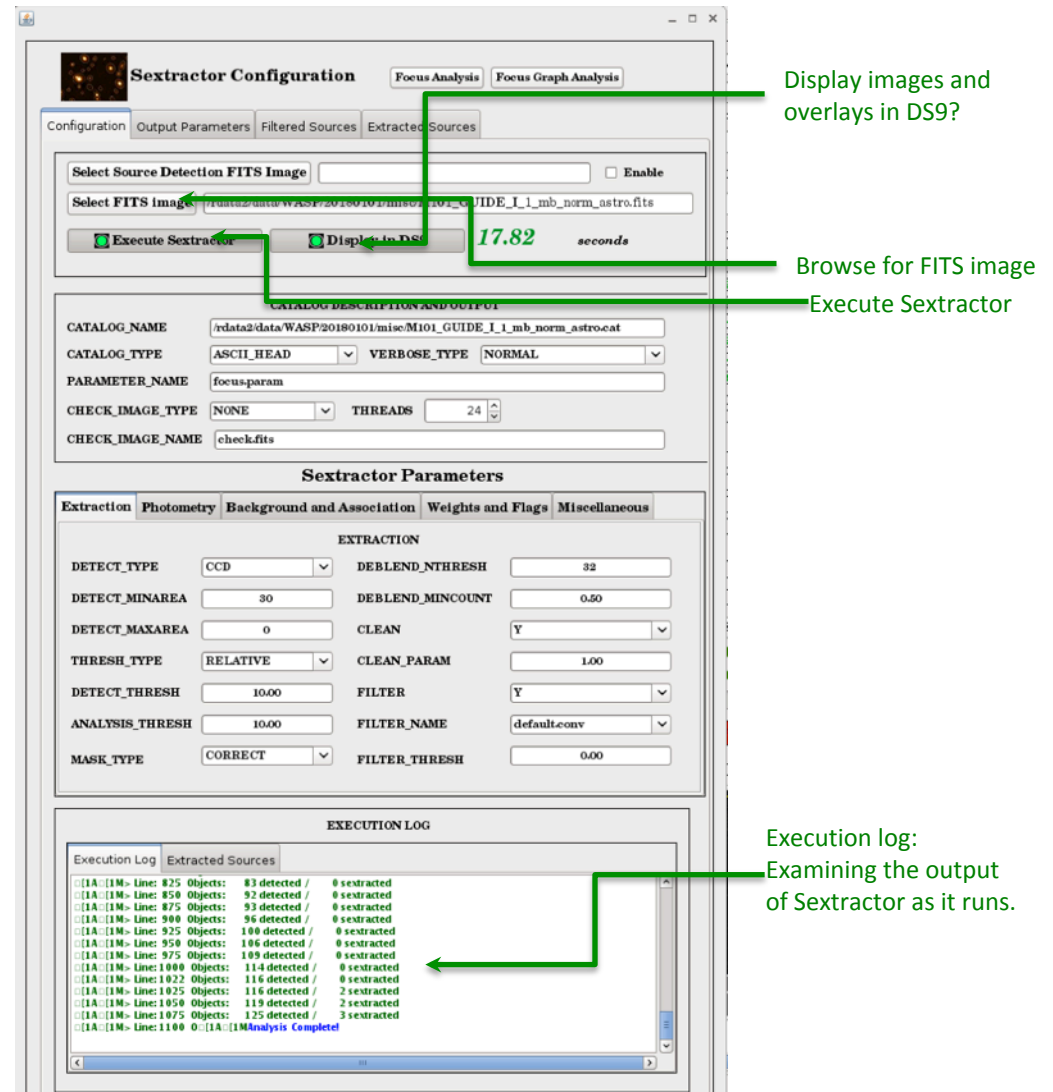
- When SExtractor is run inside WASP it automatically displays the selected image in DS9 (if Display in DS9 is ON)
- After analysis the SExtractor catalog file is read and output as DS9 region file.
- All of the green circles in the image below correspond to entries in the original, unfiltered SExtractor output catalog
- The red squares in the image correspond to the subset of star that pass the filtering for signal to noise, flux and distance from the nearest adjacent star.
- The goal of the filtering step is to identify, as far as possible, those stars that are not saturated at any point within their aperture, and that are separated sufficiently from adjacent stars.
- Filtering acts to remove outliers in the distribution and to select stars that might be appropriately used as guide stars.



WASP and Sextractor

Overview – Basic Operations

- Sextractor is actually run as a separate command line program but the GUI allows the observer to easily modify extraction parameters and specify the output configuration from the GUI.
- The Sextractor configuration files are created on the fly containing the information in the GUI.
- Not all Sextractor options are available but most are.
- You do NOT need to know Sextractor to run WASP.
- All Sextractor configuration is done internally by the WASP software so observers do not need to edit any parameters for the system to work.
- This control is intimately integrated with DS9 and all identified sources are written into a “regions” file and displayed as an overlay.
- Sextractor catalogs and the associated DS9 region files are stored in the same image directory that contains the FITS image and named after the original image.



WASP and Sextractor

Extraction Parameters

Basic Output Parameters

CATALOG DESCRIPTION AND OUTPUT	
CATALOG_NAME	/rdata2/data/WASP/20180101/NGC698/science/guiding/1/normalized/NGC698_diti
CATALOG_TYPE	ASCII_HEAD VERBOSE_TYPE NORMAL
PARAMETER_NAME	focus.param
CHECK_IMAGE_TYPE	NONE THREADS 24
CHECK_IMAGE_NAME	check.fits

Extraction Parameters

SExtractor Parameters				
Extraction	Photometry	Background and Association	Weights and Flags	Miscellaneous
EXTRACTION				
DETECT_TYPE	CCD	DEBLEND_NTHRESH	32	
DETECT_MINAREA	30	DEBLEND_MINCOUNT	0.50	
DETECT_MAXAREA	0	CLEAN	Y	
THRESH_TYPE	RELATIVE	CLEAN_PARAM	1.00	
DETECT_THRESH	10.00	FILTER	Y	
ANALYSIS_THRESH	10.00	FILTER_NAME	default.conv	
MASK_TYPE	CORRECT	FILTER_THRESH	0.00	

Photometry Parameters

SExtractor Parameters				
Extraction	Photometry	Background and Association	Weights and Flags	Miscellaneous
PHOTOMETRY				
PHOT_APERTURES	6.00	MAG_ZEROPOINT	28.4000	
PHOT_AUTOPARAMS	2.50 2.50	MAG_GAMA	4.0000	
PHOT_PETROPARAMS	2.00 2.50	GAIN	0.0000	
PHOT_AUTOAPERS	0.00 0.00	GAIN_KEY	GAIN	
PHOT_FLUXFRAC	0.500	PIXEL_SCALE	0.1800	
NATUR_LEVEL	50000.0			
NATUR_KEY	SATURATE			

Background and Associations

SExtractor Parameters				
Extraction	Photometry	Background and Association	Weights and Flags	Miscellaneous
BACKGROUND				
BACK_TYPE	AUTO	ASSOC_DATA	2 3 4	
BACK_VALUE	0.00	ASSOC_PARAMS	2 3 4	
BACK_SIZE	64	ASSOC_COORD_TYPE	PIXEL	
BACKPHOTO_TYPE	GLOBAL	ASSOC_RADIUS	2.00	
BACKPHOTO_THICK	24	ASSOC_TYPE	NEAREST	
BACK_FILTTHRESH	3	ASSOCSELEC_TYPE	MATCHED	
ASSOC_NAME	sky list			

Weights and Flags

SExtractor Parameters				
Extraction	Photometry	Background and Association	Weights and Flags	Miscellaneous
WEIGHTS				
WEIGHT_TYPE	NONE	FLAG_IMAGE	flag.fits	
RESCALE_WEIGHTS	Y	FLAG_TYPE	OR	
WEIGHT_IMAGE	weight.fits			
WEIGHT_GAIN	Y			
WEIGHT_THRESH	0.00			

Miscellaneous Parameters

SExtractor Parameters				
Extraction	Photometry	Background and Association	Weights and Flags	Miscellaneous
MISCELLANEOUS				
HEADER_SUFFIX	.head	MEMORY_OBJSTACK	3000	
WRITE_XML	N	MEMORY_PIXSTACK	300000	
XML_NAME	sex.xml	MEMORY_BUFSIZE	1024	
XSL_URL	file://usr/local/share/sextractor/sextractor.xsl EXPERIMENTAL			
INTERP_MAXLAG	16	PSF_NAME	default.psf	
INTERP_MAXYLAG	6	PSF_NMAX	1	
INTERP_TYPE	Item 1	PATTERN_TYPE	RINGS-QUADPOLE	

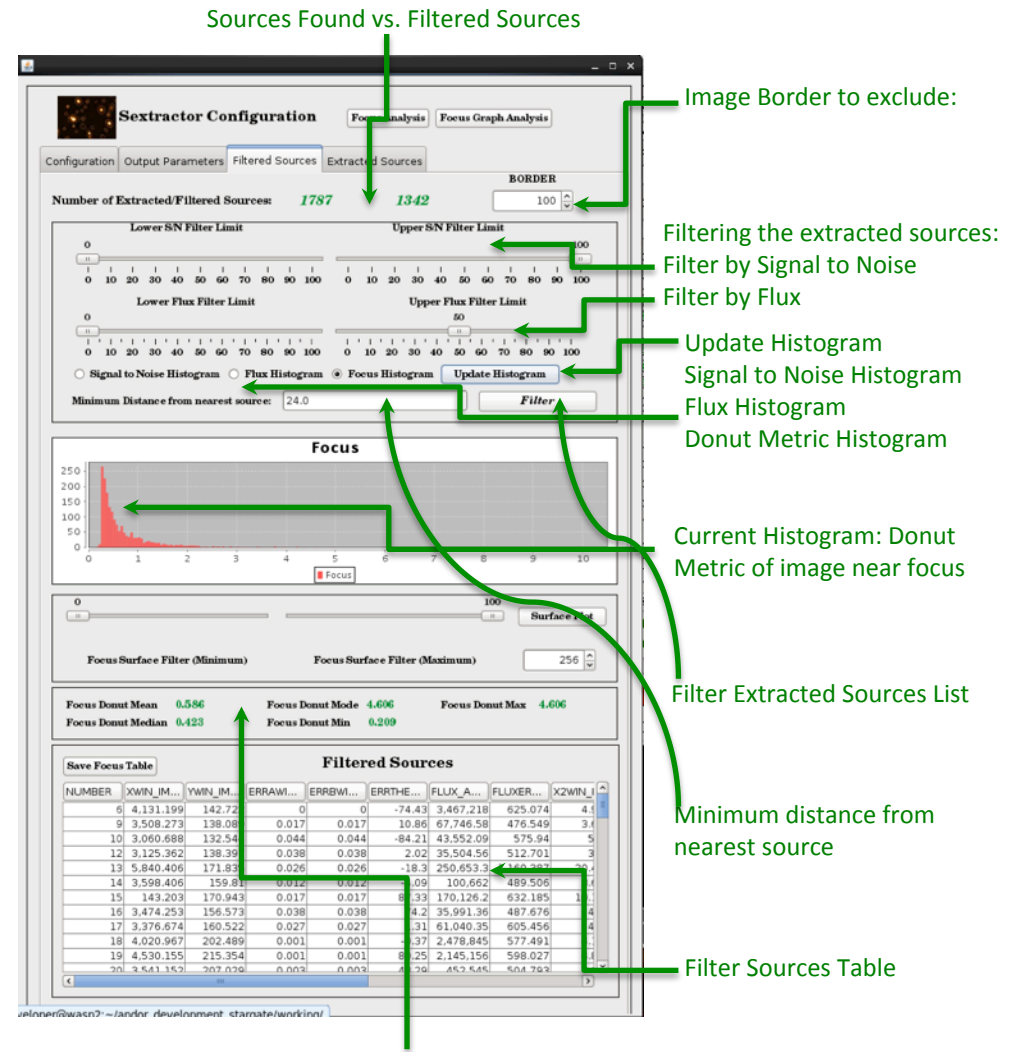
For a help understanding each of these parameters, please refer to the following primary source:

Bertin, E. & Arnouts, S. 1996: [SExtractor: Software for source extraction, Astronomy & Astrophysics Supplement 317, 393 \[BibTeX entry\]](#).

WASP and Sextractor

How does WASP actually use Sextractor?

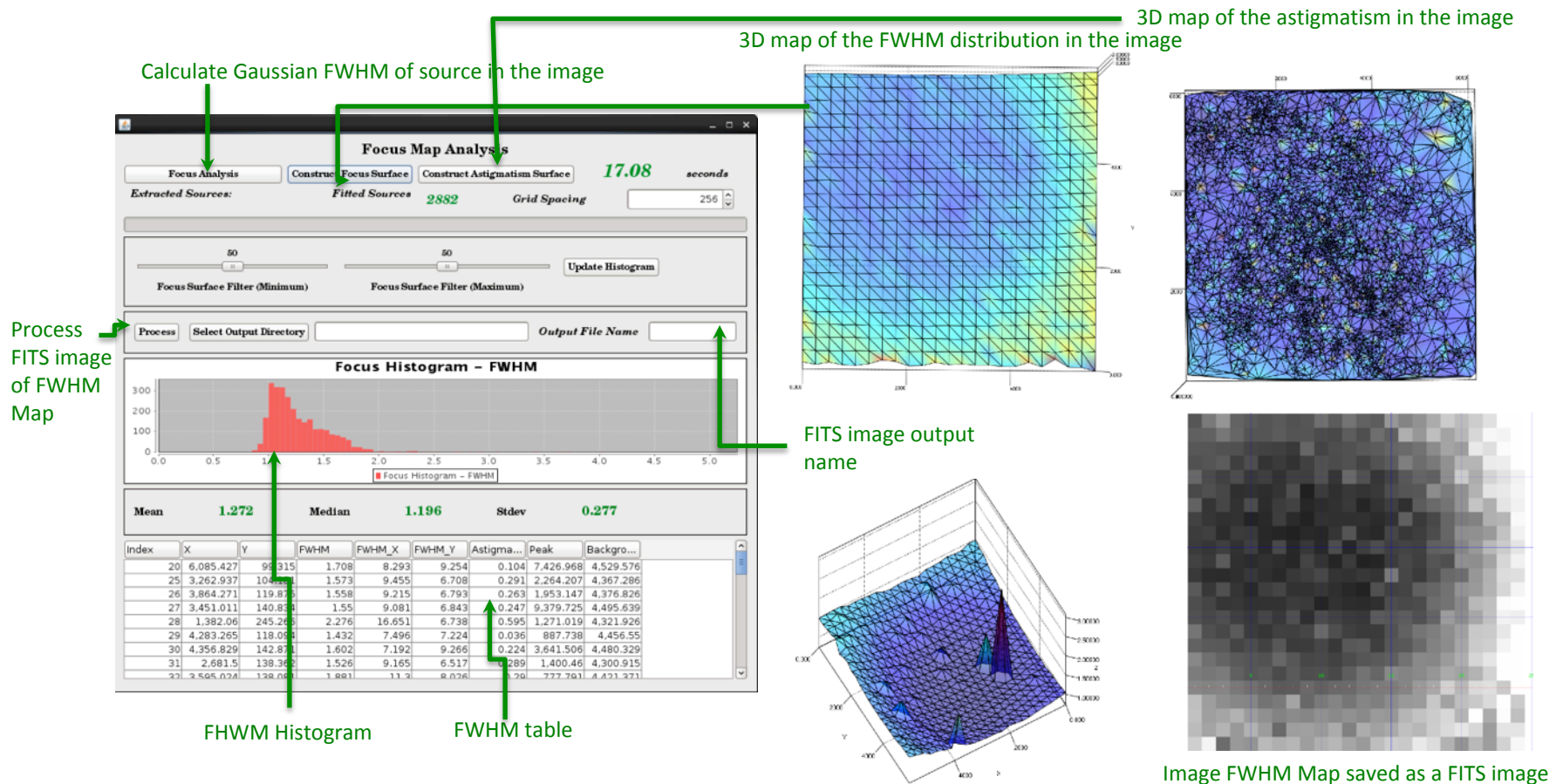
- WASP uses Sextractor internally in 2 fundamental ways
 - (1) extraction of source locations for guiding
 - (2) calculation of the “Donut” metric from Sextractor calculated 2nd moments
 - Source locations are also used as the starting point for complete 2D Gaussian fits to determine the FWHM as an image quality metric.
- In general, WASP doesn’t simply calculate the image quality metric (either FWHM or Donut metric) for a star but instead uses Sextractor to calculate the image quality of ALL extracted sources in an image and displays the distribution of values found across the entire field.
- Experience has shown that the median Donut metric and the median FWHM are much better measure of delivered image quality than the mean or any single measurement in the field.



WASP and Sextractor

2D Gaussian Analysis of stars in a WASP image

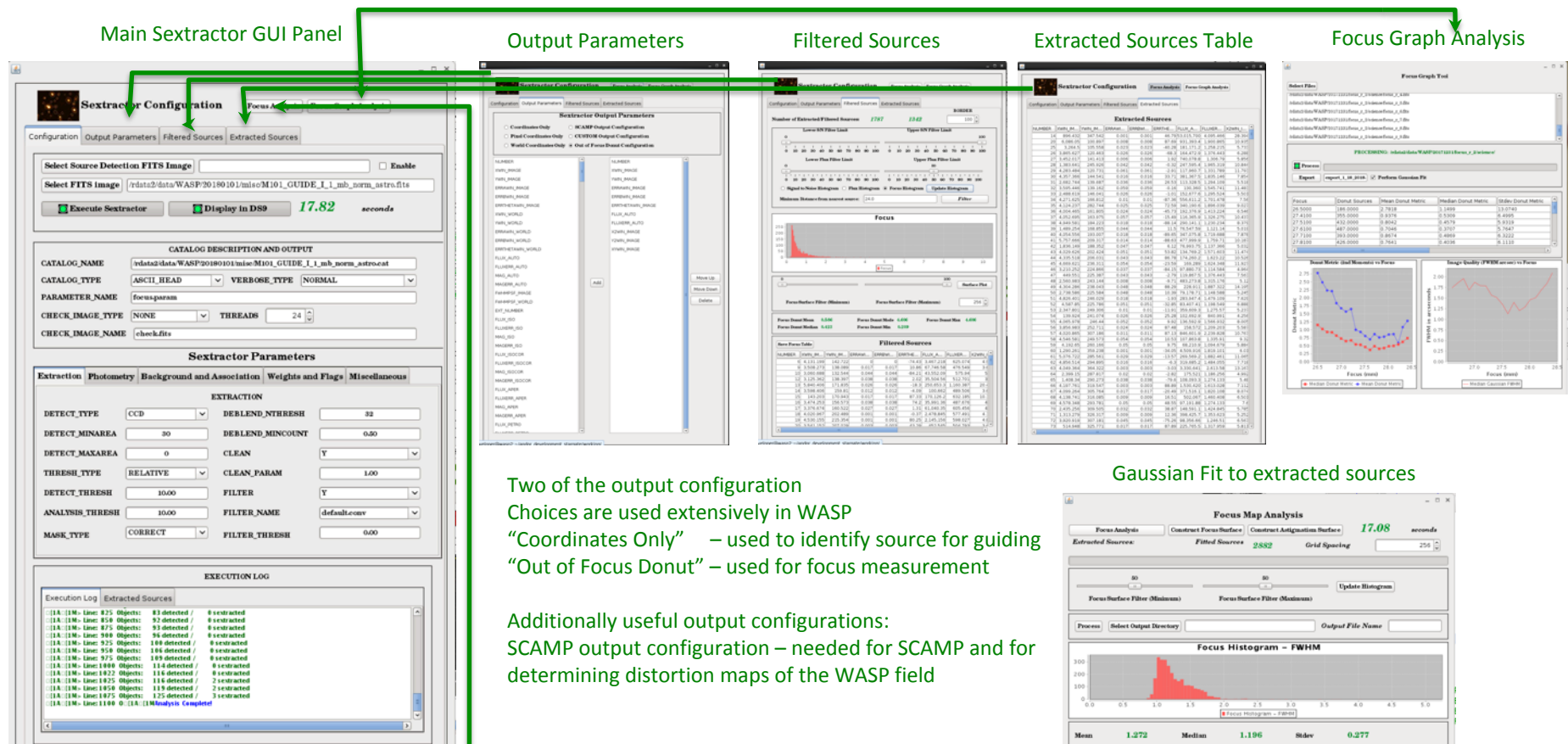
- After running Sextractor and identifying the sources, an observer can choose to fit 2D Gaussian to each of the identified sources using the Focus Analysis control.
- The primary output of this analysis is a histogram of the FWHM values measured in the image along with the mean, median and standard deviation of the distribution.



WASP and Sextractor

Overview

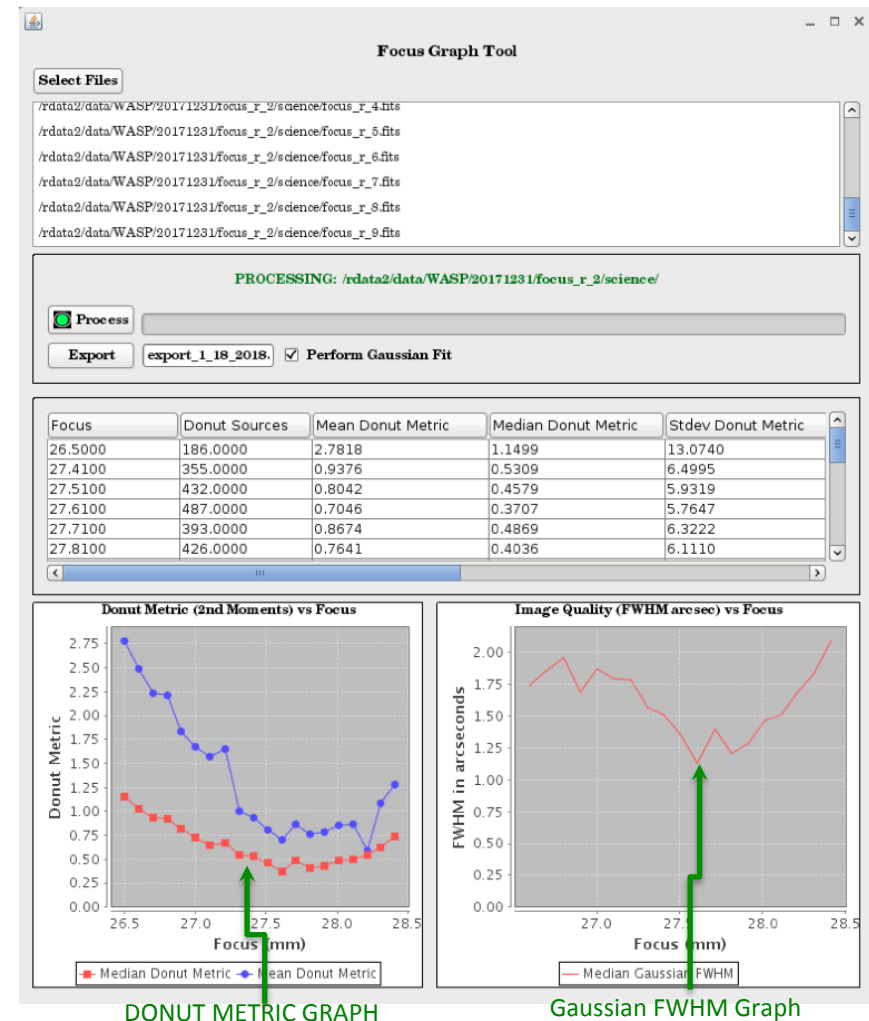
- The WASP instrument software makes extensive use of Sextractor for both focus and guiding.
- Sextractor is integrated into the WASP software through a GUI available in the “Observing Tools” menu.



WASP and Sextractor

Creating Focus Curves with both the Donut metric and FWHM

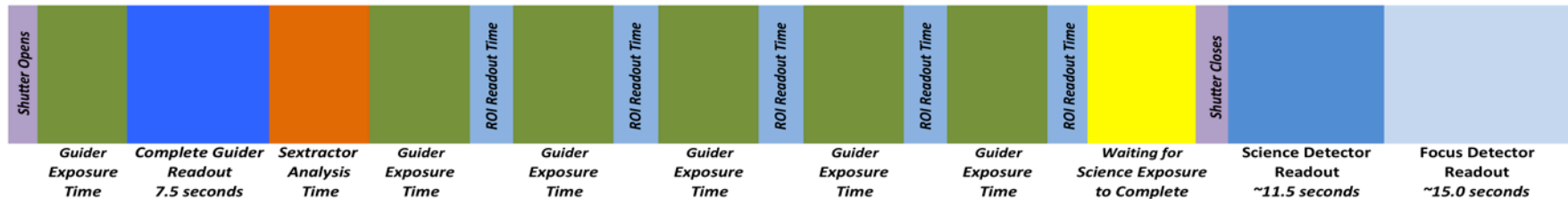
- If the user has observed a set of images at different focus values (see Focusing WASP) the simplest and most robust way to analyze the results is to use the “Focus Graph Tool”
- The “Focus Graph Tool” is available from the main Sextractor panel by pressing the “Focus Graph” button in the upper right hand corner of the display.
- Procedure:
 - Browse for FITS image files
 - Press the “Process” button.
- The donut metric graph (left) and the FWHM graph (right) are updated after each image is analyzed.
- After completion the table of values may be exported for further analysis.



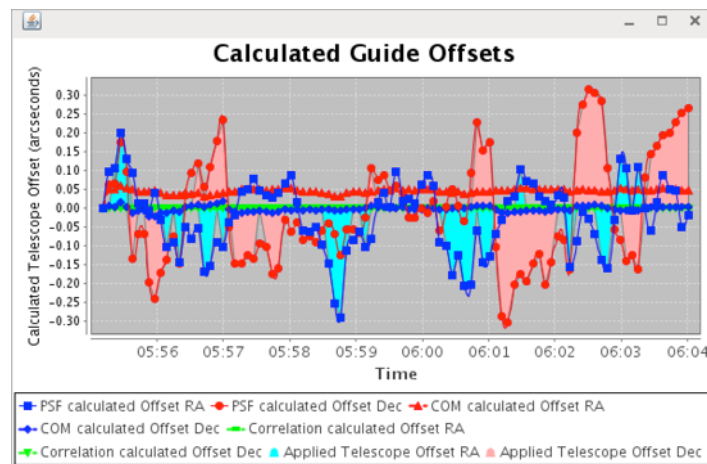
Guide, Science, Focus Operational Mode Timeline

Science Detector Exposure Time

Focus Detector Exposure Time



Note: After the Sextractor Analysis the system calculates how many guide frames can be observed before the science exposure is completed

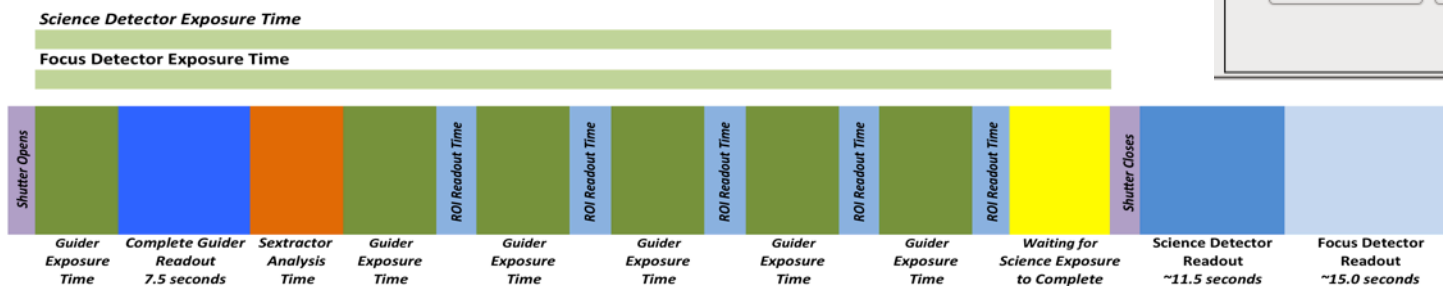


GUIDING

Guiding and the WASP camera

- The Hale telescope is a remarkably stable platform for observing with cumulative tracking error on the order of 1 arc-second every 15 minutes.
 - Tracking errors are typically larger in RA than in Dec.
 - Tracking errors in Dec increase with increasing distance from zenith but don't reach the same magnitude as the errors in RA.
- Guiding is typically not needed for exposures less than 300 seconds duration and has practically no effect for exposure times less than 150 seconds.
- Attempting to guide for exposure times less than 100 seconds may result in no actually guide frames being taken since the system calculates how many frames it can fit into the time remaining in the science exposure.
- Minimum possible science exposure with guiding:
 - $2 * (\text{GUIDER_EXPOSURE_TIME} + \text{GUIDER_READOUT}) + \text{SEXTRACTOR_ANALYSIS_TIME}$
 - Example: GUIDER_EXPOSURE_TIME = 5.0 seconds
 - GUIDER_READOUT_TIME = 7.5 seconds
 - SEXTRACTOR_ANALYSIS_TIME = 10.0 seconds – note: analysis may be much faster (1.0 second)
 - Minimum Science exposure for 1 guide frame = 35 seconds

Guide, Science, Focus Operational Mode Timeline



Note: After the Sextractor Analysis the system calculates how many guide frames can be observed before the science exposure is completed

The screenshot shows the WASP camera control interface with the following settings:

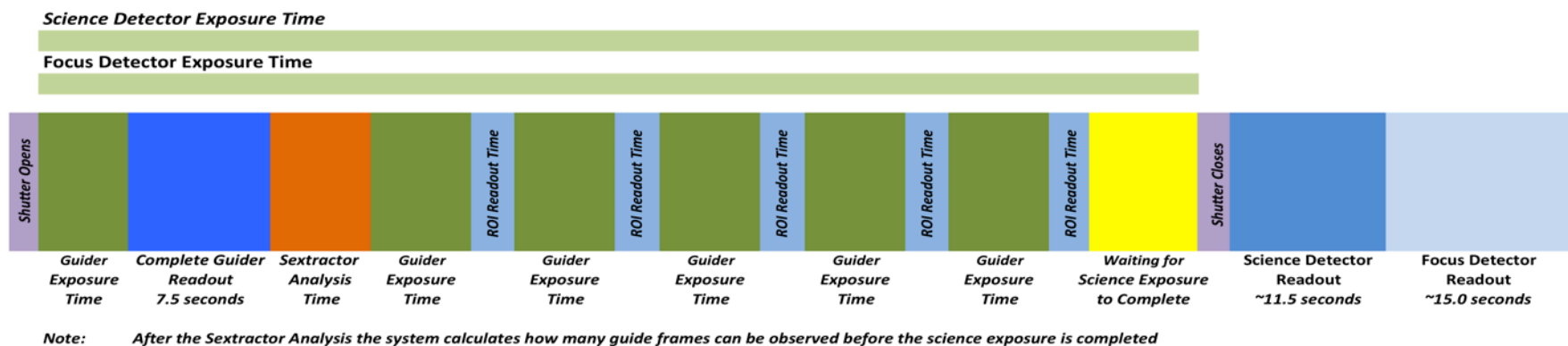
- Enable Autoguiding**: Checked (green button)
- Guide ROI Height**: 64
- Selected Star X**: (empty field)
- Selected Star Y**: (empty field)
- ROI Start Line**: (empty field)
- ROI End Line**: (empty field)
- N Guide Stars**: (empty field)
- Percentile for Guide Star Selection**: 90
- Guider GAIN**: 50
- GUIDING**: (green circle button)
- Cross-section Graph**: (button)
- Guide Graph**: (button)
- clear**: (button)

Guiding and the WASP camera

How does guiding actually work?

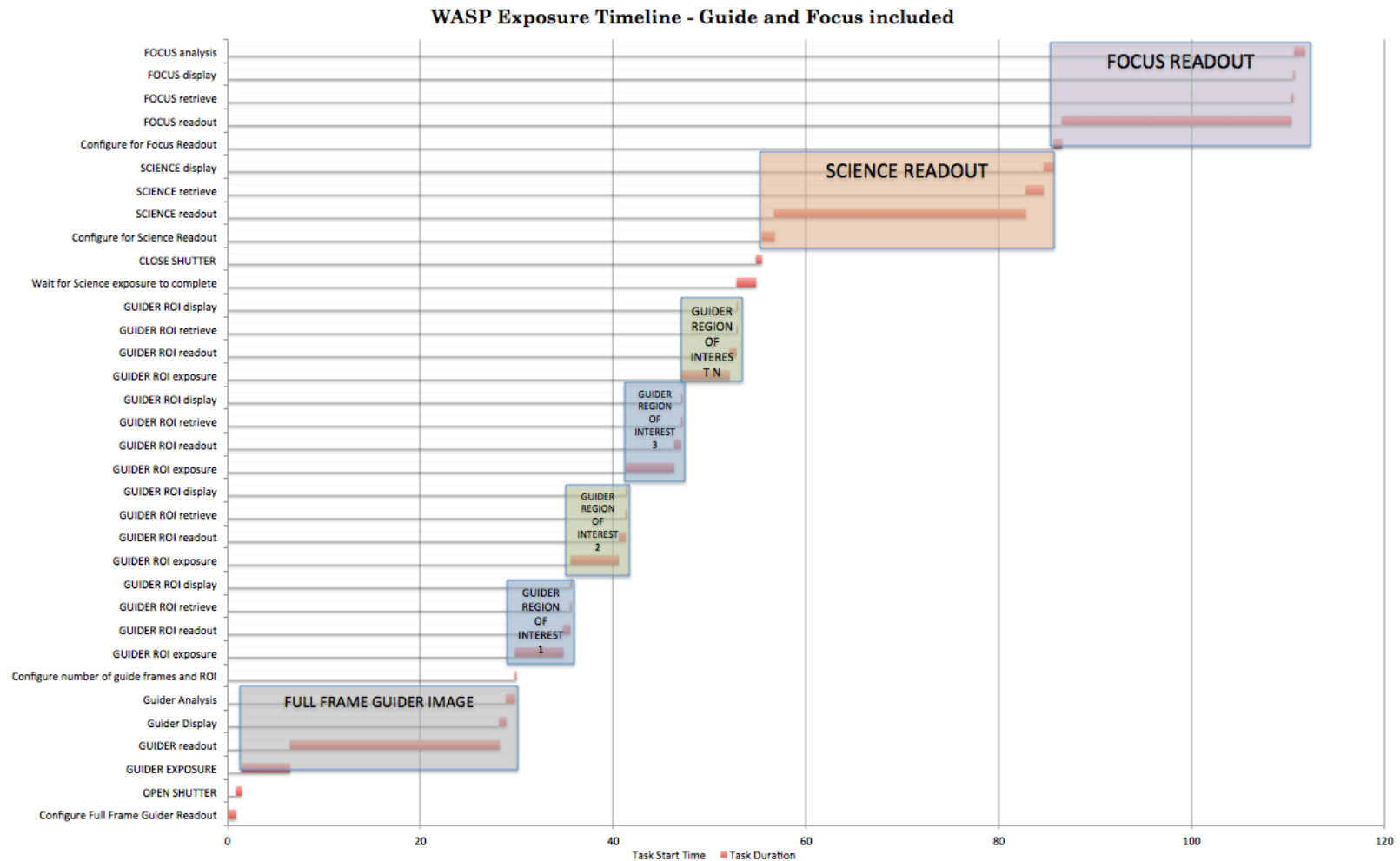
- WASP has only a single shutter and both the science and guide CCD's are located on the same focal plane. As a result, guiding with WASP requires that the shutter remain open while the science CCD is exposed and the guide detector must be read out while the CCD is still exposing.
- WASP attempts to completely automate the guiding process by internally finding all of the stars in the guider CCD field and then setting up the guide configuration as follows:
 - Run SExtractor to locate all stars in the image
 - Remove stars that are saturated on any pixel
 - Sort the resulting stars by total flux and select a single star at the 90th percentile (i.e. 90 percent of the stars in the image have less flux than the selected star) (note: the 90th percentile value is adjustable on the GUI)
 - Configure the region of interest (ROI) as a strip ROI_WIDTH wide (default = 64 pixels), centered on the selected star.
 - Identify any other stars that are wholly within the ROI.
 - Setup "guide boxes" on each star in the set identified in the previous step. (this step involve calculating where the stars will fall on the ROI based upon their coordinates in the original full frame guide image.
- With WASP the observer does not select the stars used for guiding; the system automatically picks the appropriate star.

Guide, Science, Focus Operational Mode Timeline



Guiding and the WASP camera

Example timeline for a GUIDE,SCIENCE,FOCUS mode image



Guiding and the WASP camera

What guiding parameters are adjustable by the observer?

- So what guiding parameters are adjustable and how do they effect the guide performance?
 - Guide Exposure Time (Default = 2 seconds)
 - Guide Box Size (Default = 24 pixels)
 - ROI Height (Default = 64)
 - Guide Star selection percentile (Default = 90%)
 - PID loop gain
- **Guide Exposure Time** guidelines: guide exposure times between 1 and 10 seconds are appropriate. The selected guider exposure time depends upon how many and how bright the star in the guider CCD image are.
- The **ROI height** (i.e. the width of the ROI strip) effects only HOW MANY stars will be measured to calculate the guide signal. Increasing the ROI height increases the size of the ROI strip and more stars will be wholly contained within this strip. The example on the right shows that 3 guide stars are contained within the configured ROI strip.
- **Guide star selection percentile.** The slider control allows the observer to adjust the percentile used for selecting the primary guide star. If only one bright star is in the field along with a large number of faint stars you can force it's selection by setting the slider to 100%.
- **Guide Box Size.** The guide box size can be adjusted from 16 to 100 pixels with the default value at 24. Typical seeing at Palomar is on the order of 1 arc-second (FWHM = ~5 pixel) so most stars require a minimum guide box size of 16x16. Increasing the guide box size also increases the chance that other stars will contaminate the measurement and decreases the number of stars that fit wholly within the configured region of interest.
- **Gain.** The guiding loop is a simple proportional controller (only the P of the PID formalism is used) and the gain on the loop can be directly adjusted from the GUI.

Enable Autoguiding

Guide ROI Height: 64

Selected Star X: 137.2994

Selected Star Y: 1766.1109

ROI Start Line: 105

ROI End Line: 169

N Guide Stars: 3

Percentile for Guide Star Selection: 90

Cross-section Graph

Guide Graph clear

Enable Autoguiding

Guide ROI Height: 64

Selected Star X: 137.2994

Selected Star Y: 1766.1109

ROI Start Line: 105

ROI End Line: 169

N Guide Stars: 3

Percentile for Guide Star Selection: 90

Guider GAIN: 50

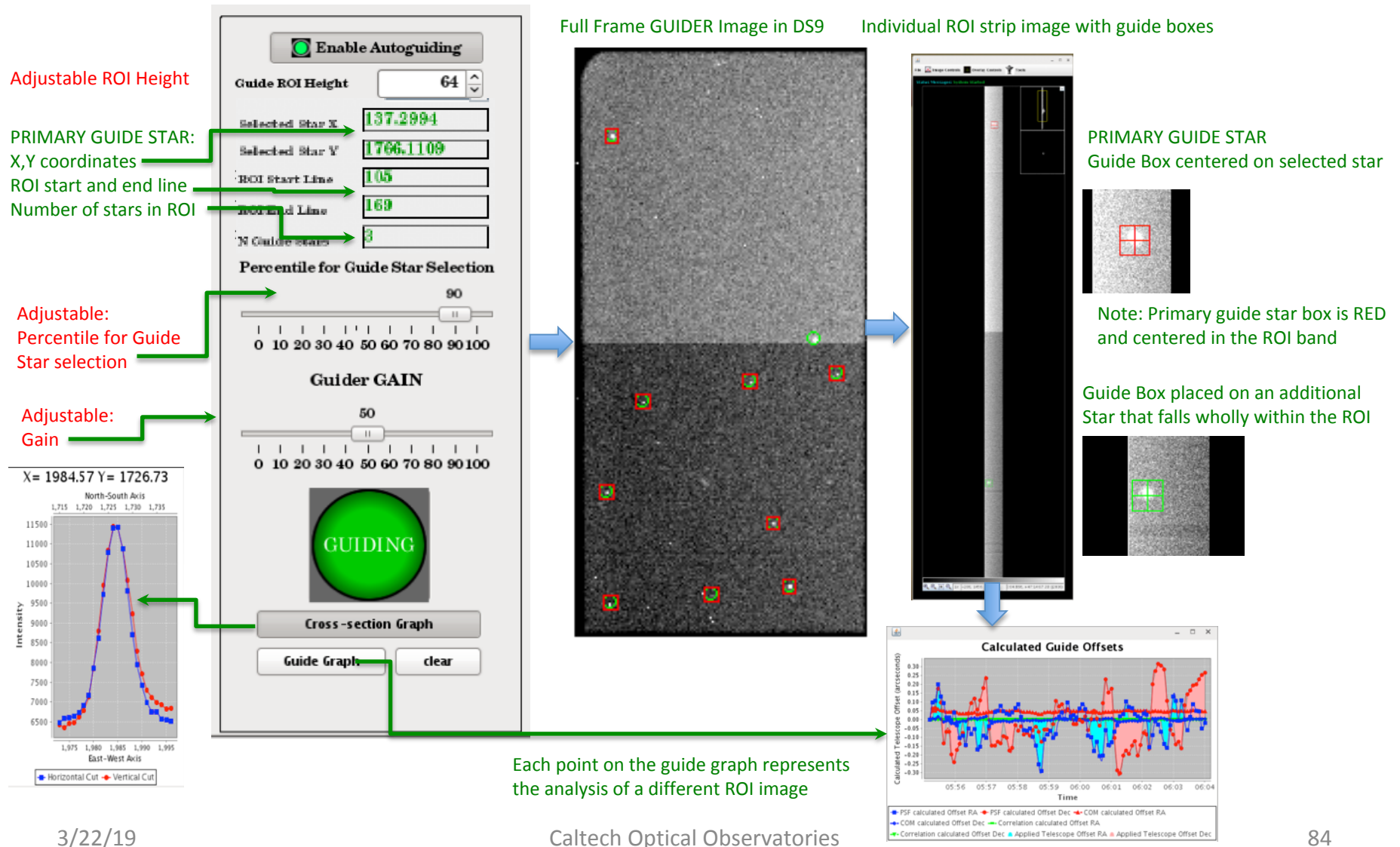
GUIDING

Cross-section Graph

Guide Graph clear

Guiding and the WASP camera

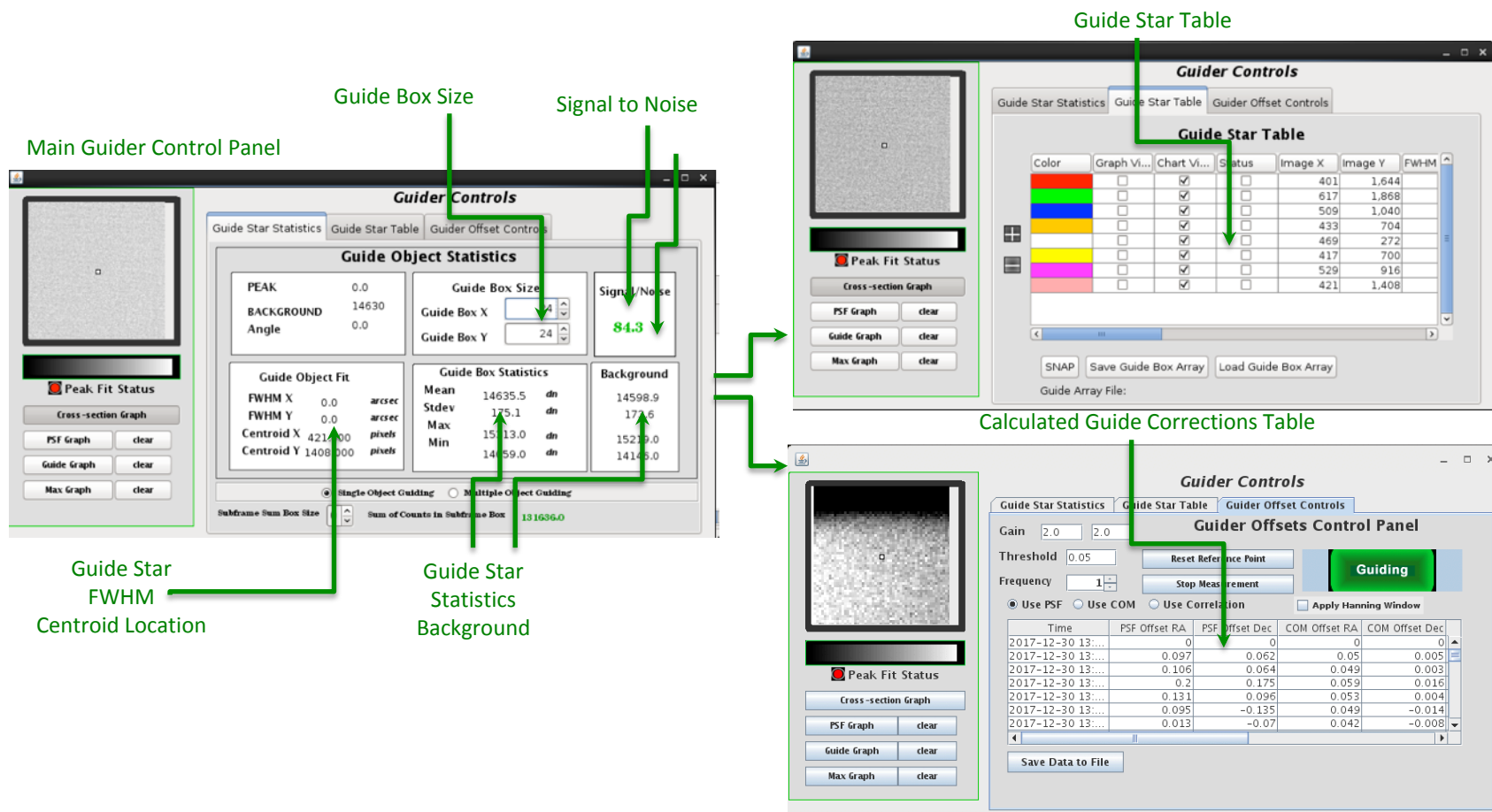
Guiding in action



Guiding and the WASP camera

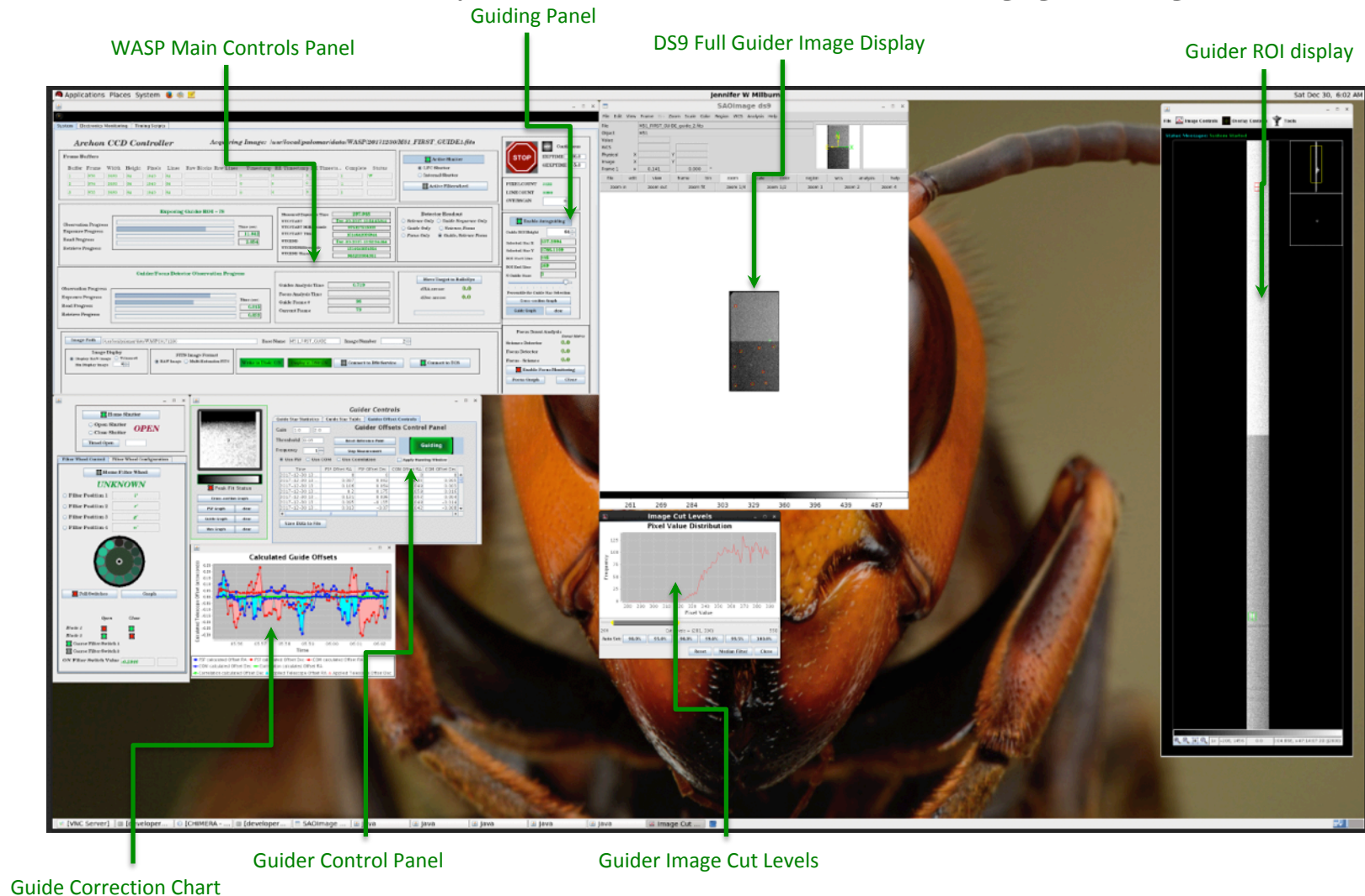
The Guider Control Panel

- The Guider Control Panel is integrated into the guider image display system and supports the operation of the guiding system. The Guider Control Panel is accessed from the guider image display panel under the “Tools” menu.
- The Guider Control Panel maintains the list of guide star locations and the record of calculated guide corrections.



Guiding and the WASP camera

What do you need to monitor during guiding?



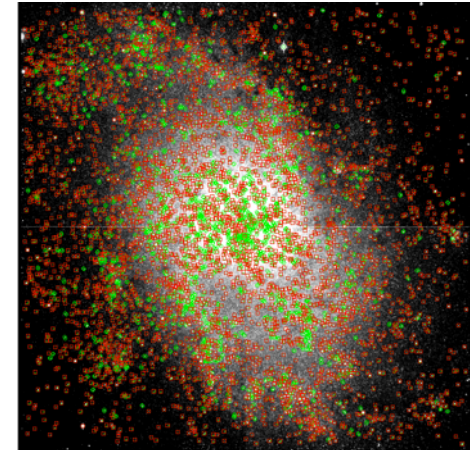
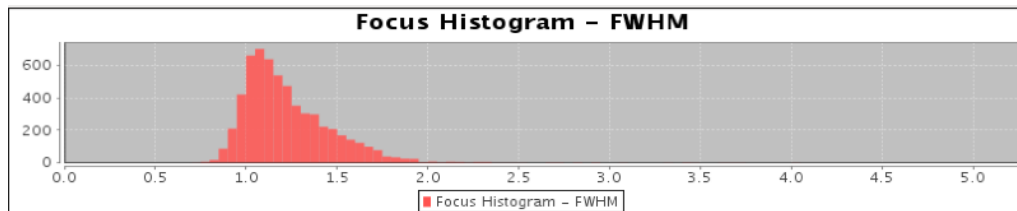
The results of Auto-Guiding

NGC 598 R' filter

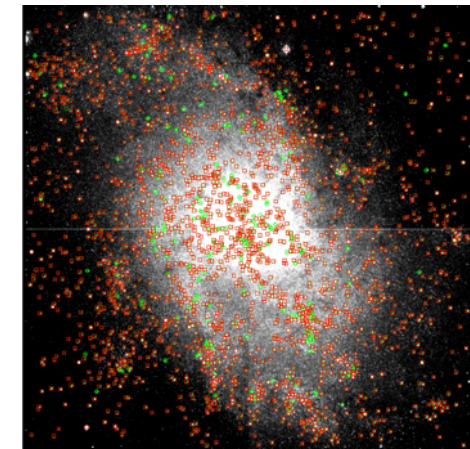
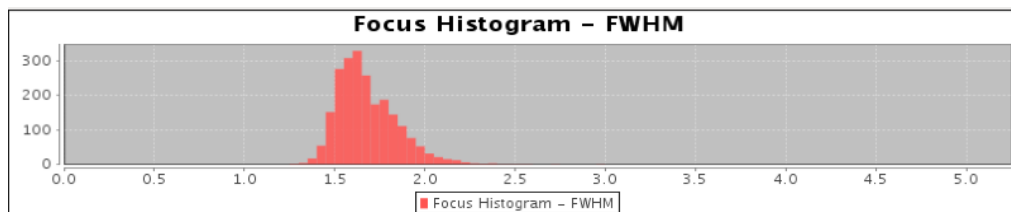
Image Quality Assessment

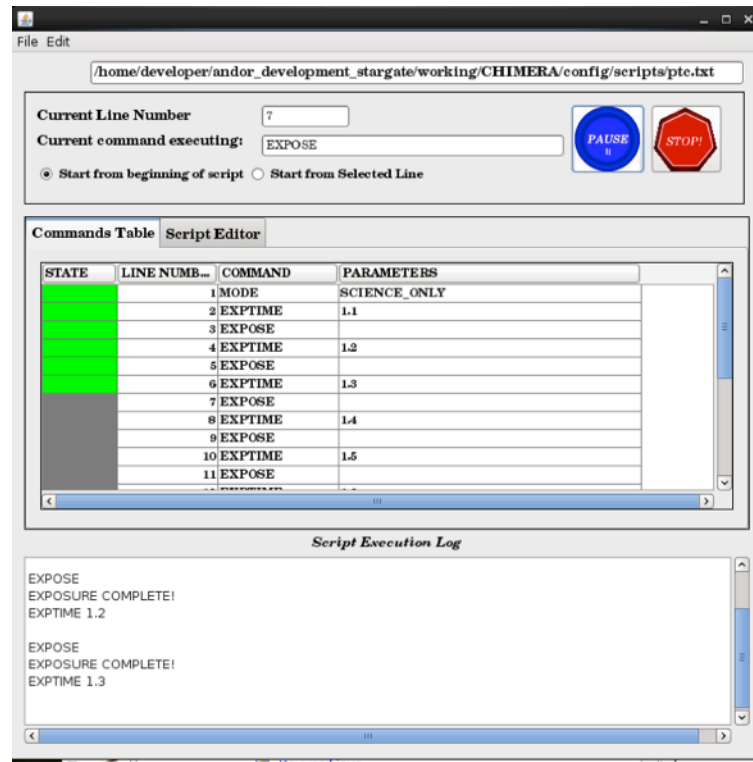
- Comparison between FWHM distribution with and without guiding.
- Two 300 second exposure images in the same (r') filter taken consecutively with and without guiding

300 Second – Auto-guiding image



300 Second – no guiding image





WASP SCRIPTING LANGUAGE

WASP Scripting Language

- WASP supports a simple scripting language that executes sequential commands stored in simple text files. All commands consist of keywords followed by parameters (if necessary). If you find that additional commands would be desirable please request them.

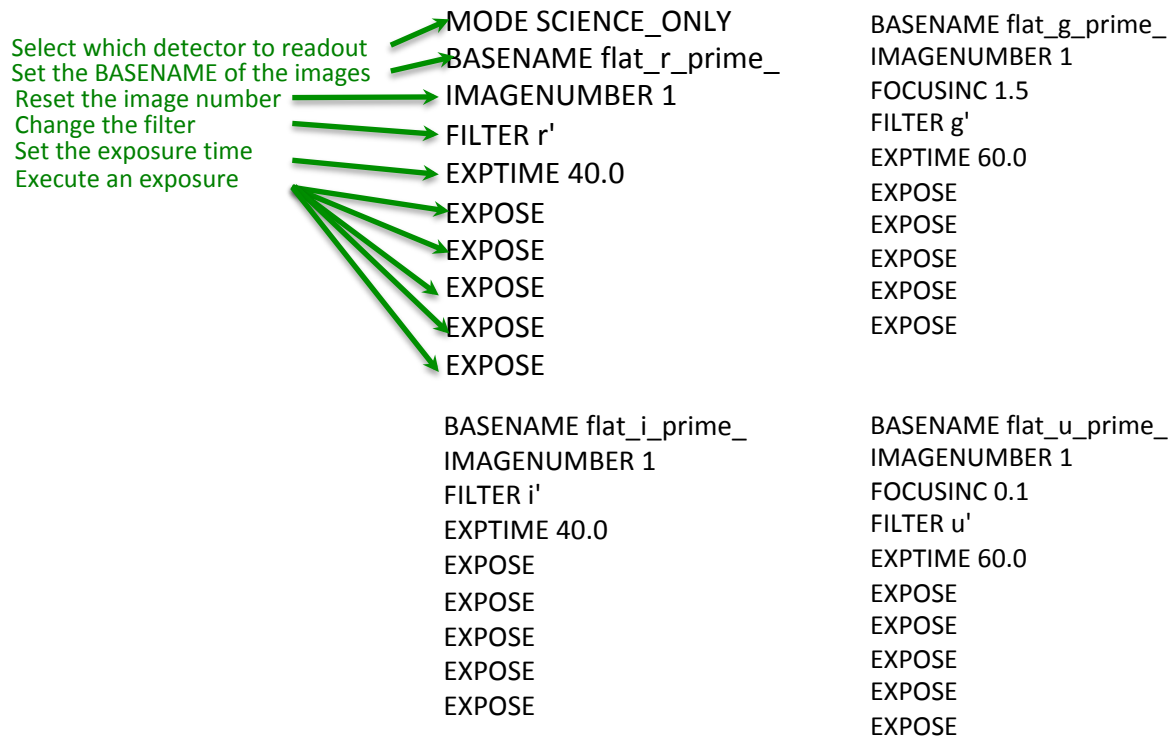
WASP SCRIPTING LANGUAGE

Keywords	Parameters	Description
EXPTIME	double	<i>sets the exposure time for the science detector and focus detector if both are being readout</i>
BASENAME	string	<i>sets the basename for the FITS image file</i>
IMAGENUMBER	int	<i>set the image number for the FITS image file</i>
GEXPTIME	double	<i>set the guider exposure time</i>
MODE	string	<i>sets the operational mode of the camera (i.e. the detectors that will be readout)</i>
	SCIENCE_ONLY	
	FOCUS_ONLY	
	GUIDE_ONLY	
	SCIENCE_FOCUS	
	SCIENCE_GUIDE	
	SCIENCE_GUIDE_FOCUS	
EXPOSE		<i>starts the exposure of the camera given the current camera settings.</i>
FOCUSGO	double	<i>sets the telescope focus to the value specified in the command</i>
FOCUSINC	double	<i>increments the focus from the current value to the current value + offsset</i>
MOVE_TELESCOPE	double,double	<i>move the telescope by the specified offset in RA and Dec</i>
SET_DITHER_PATTERN	string	<i>name of a currently available dither pattern</i>
SET_DITHER_SCALE	double	<i>sets the scale factor for the dither pattern (scales pattern to the sky)</i>
RETRIEVE_DITHER_IMAGE		<i>retrieves a DSS image of the current telescope field</i>
FILTER	string	<i>selects the current filter, returns error if the specified filter is not installed.</i>

WASP Scripting

A simple example: FLATS in 4 filters

- One of the most useful simple scripts automatically takes a set of N images (N=5 in the example below) in each of the 4 filters installed in WASP. Note that the script sets the focus for each filter using the FOCUSINC command.

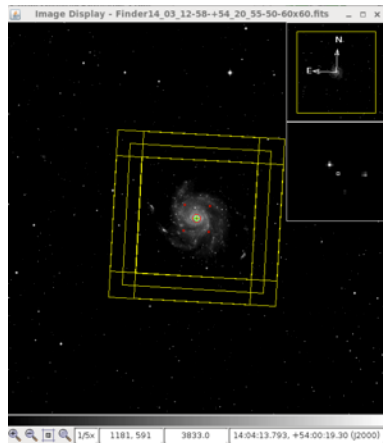


WASP Scripting

A more complex example: DITHERS in 3 filters

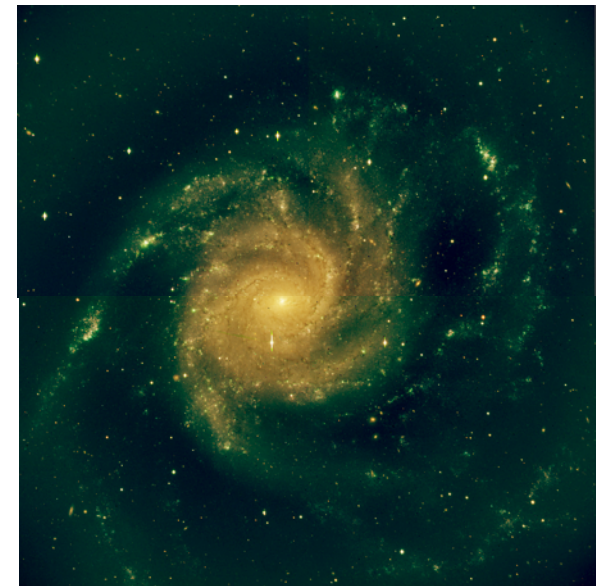
- The following script carries out a set of three, 5-point dither patterns in three filters (r' , i' , g') of the object M101 with a 120 second exposure time at each position. A total of 15 fits images are produced by this script.

Retrieve a DSS image of the dither field → RETRIEVE_DITHER_IMAGE
Set the BASENAME of the image → BASENAME M101_DITHER_R_
Reset the image number → IMAGENUMBER 1
Change the filter → FILTER r'
Set the exposure time → EXPTIME 120.0
Select the dither pattern → SET_DITHER_PATTERN DITHER_5_SIMPLE
Set the dither scale factor → SET_DITHER_SCALE 100.0
Execute dither pattern → EXECUTE_DITHER



```
BASENAME M101_DITHER_I_  
IMAGENUMBER 1  
FILTER  $i'$   
EXPTIME 120.0  
SET_DITHER_PATTERN DITHER_5_SIMPLE  
SET_DITHER_SCALE 100.0  
EXECUTE_DITHER  
BASENAME M101_DITHER_G_  
IMAGENUMBER 1  
FILTER  $g'$   
EXPTIME 120.0  
SET_DITHER_PATTERN DITHER_5_SIMPLE  
SET_DITHER_SCALE 100.0  
EXECUTE_DITHER
```

Example output after data reduction



WASP Scripting Language

WASP Scripting Control

Select script file

Selected Command Number

Current Selected Command

Press GO button

Start from the beginning of the script

Start from the selected command number

Script Execution Log

STATE	LINE NUM...	COMMAND	PARAMETERS
	1	RETRIEVE_DIT	
	2	BASENAME	M101_DITHER_R_
	3	IMAGENUMBER	1
	4	FILTER	F
	5	EXPTIME	120.0
	6	SET_DITHER_P	DITHER_5_SIMPLE
	7	SET_DITHER_S	100.0
	8	EXECUTE_DITH	
	9	BASENAME	M101_DITHER_I_
	10	IMAGENUMBER	1
	11	FILTER	F

Press PAUSE: Pauses execution after current command

Press STOP: Stops execution after current command

Script Execution Log

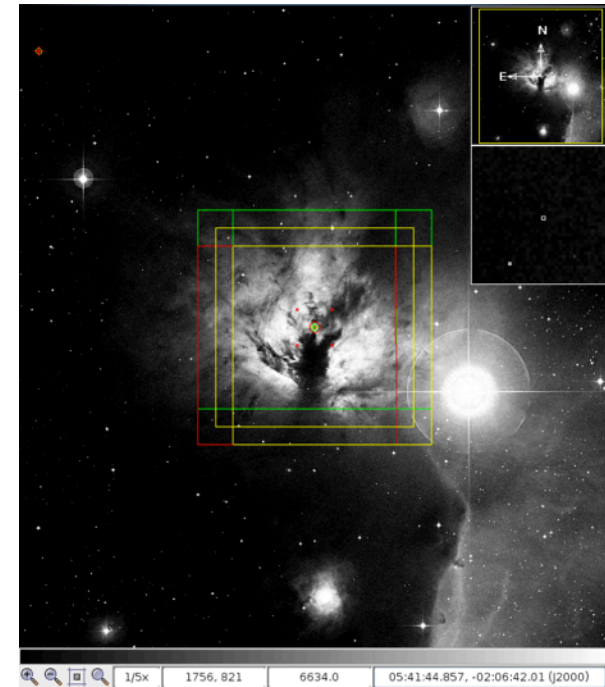
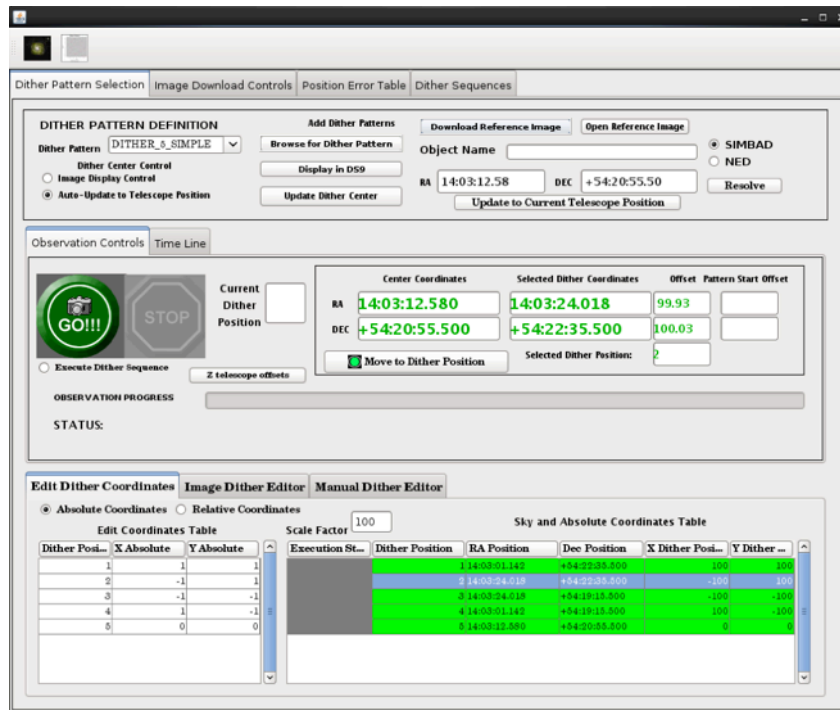
EXPOSE
EXPOSURE COMPLETE!
EXPTIME 1.2

EXPOSE
EXPOSURE COMPLETE!
EXPTIME 1.3

Script Execution Log

Script editor

Press Parse Script File after editing

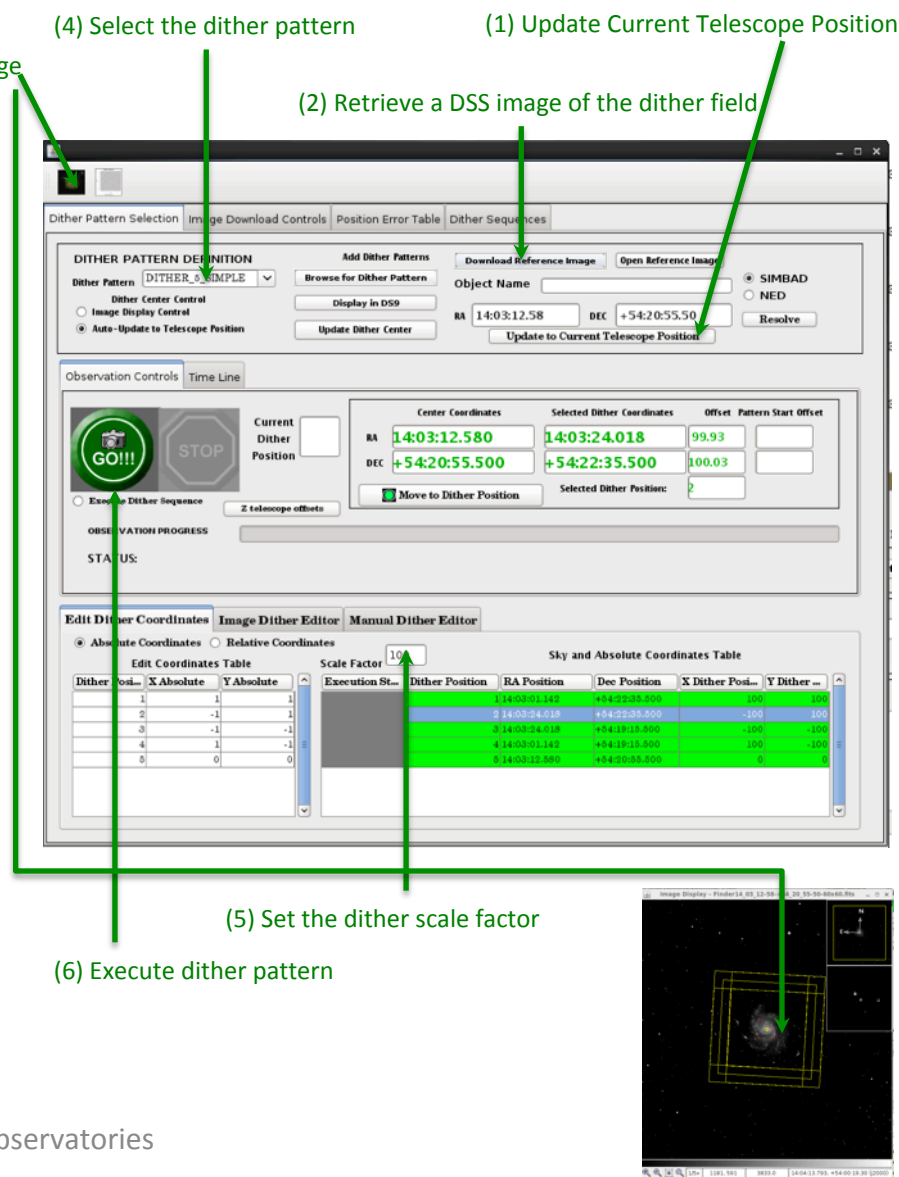


DITHER OPERATIONS

WASP Dither Pattern Control Introduction

• **Executing a Dither sequence**

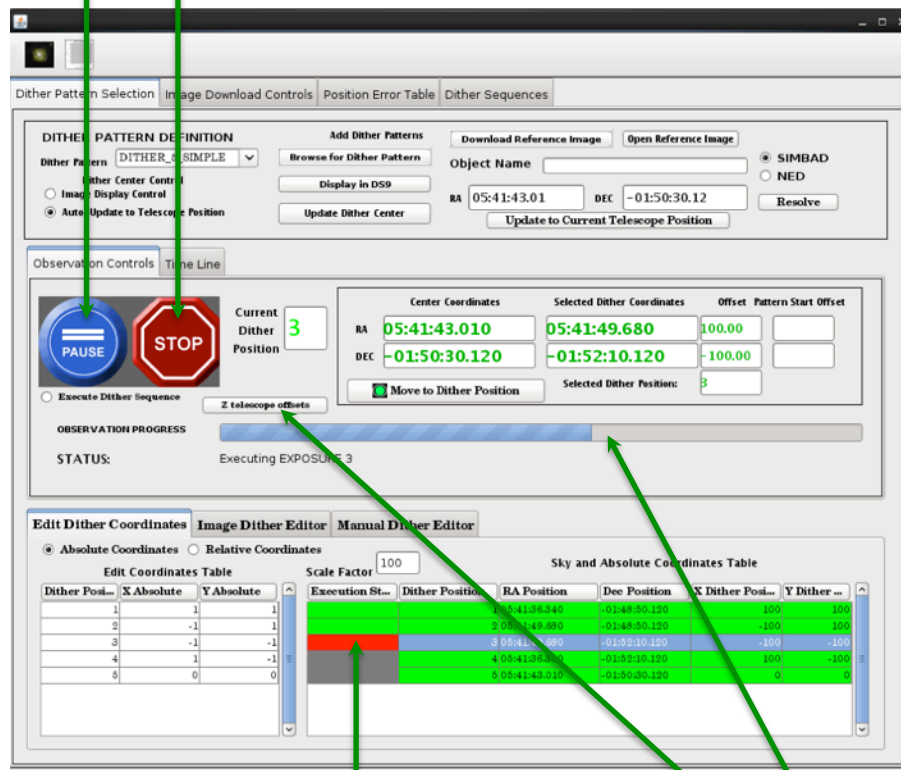
- (1) Update Current Telescope Position (this tells the control the current telescope pointing)
- (2) Download DSS reference image (based on the second Palomar Sky Survey)
- (3) Optional (open the DSS image display window)
- (4) Select the dither pattern to be executed.
- (5) Set the scale factor for the dither pattern's layout on the sky.
 - Typically dither patterns are specified with each position having an absolute x, y offset from the center between 0 and 1. The layout of the pattern on the sky is then determined by the scaling factor. The X and Y coordinates are multiplied by the scale factor to determine the offset in arcseconds from the pattern's center point. The RA and Dec coordinates of each dither position is calculated and displayed in the dither positions table.
- (6) Press the GO button
- Note: exposures are taken using whatever the current configuration (i.e. exposure time, overscan, image name, etc.) of the GUI is in effect



WASP Dither Pattern Control

The Dither Control in operation

While the Dither pattern is running you can either PAUSE or STOP the pattern at any point. Note that the current Observation step must finish before the control is reset to ready (i.e. if you stop during an exposure that exposure must finish first)

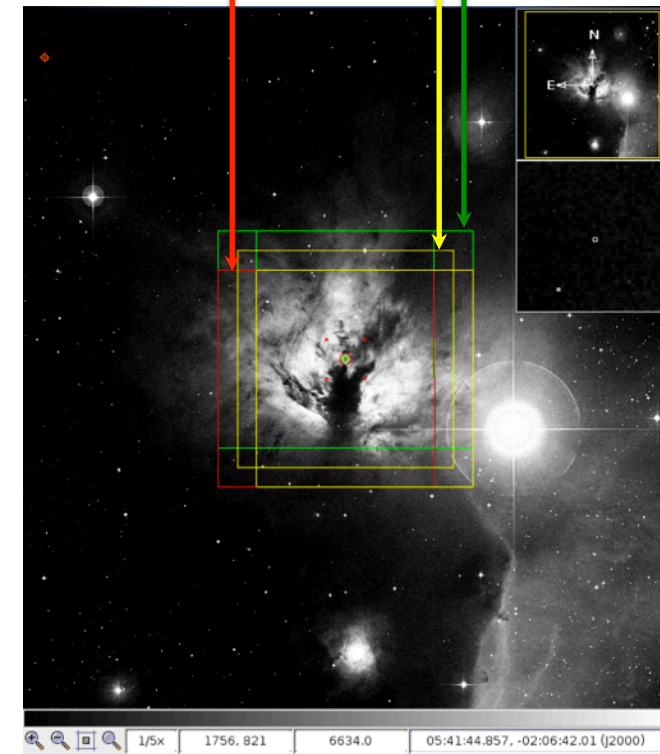


DITHER PATTERN TABLE:

GREEN = dither position completed
RED = dither position currently being observed
GREY = dither position not yet observed

During dither acquisition the dither position overlay changes Color based upon the state of the observation:

GREEN = COMPLETED
YELLOW = NOT COMPLETED
RED = CURRENTLY OBSERVING



Progress Bar indicates the percentage of the total pattern completed

If you Z the telescope offsets prior to starting the dither, then FACSUM and the telescope status displays will display the real current offset from the dither center

WASP Dither Pattern Control

A tour of the Dither Pattern Control

Display DSS image with Dither overlay

Display dither position graph

Open a previously downloaded image

Retrieve a DSS image of the dither field

Optional: Enter Object Name

Optional: Resolve coordinates for the object using NED or SIMBAD

Select the dither pattern

RA and Dec coordinates for the center of the dither pattern

Offset from current position to the selected dither position.

Offset from dither center to the selected dither position.

SELECTING a row in table is linked to "Selected Dither Coordinates" and the Move to Dither Position Button

PRESS GO!! when ready

Observation Progress Bar

Status Messages

Execution State:
GREEN completed
RED observing
GREY not yet observed

Dither Sequence Number

RA and Dec of dither position

X,Y offset to position

Dither Positions Table:

The screenshot shows the WASP Dither Pattern Control software interface. It includes tabs for Dither Pattern Selection, Image Download Controls, Position Error Table, and Dither Sequences. The Dither Pattern Definition section allows selecting a pattern (DITHER_5_SIMPLE) and controlling its display. The Observation Controls section features a large 'GO!!!' button and a progress bar. The bottom section, Edit Dither Coordinates, contains a table for defining dither positions with columns for execution state, dither position, RA/Dec coordinates, and X/Y offsets. Green arrows point from descriptive text labels to specific UI elements across the interface.

Execution State	Dither Position	RA Position	Dec Position	X Dither Pos...	Y Dither ...
GREEN	1	14:03:01.142	+54:22:35.500	100	100
GREEN	2	14:03:24.018	+54:22:35.500	-100	-100
GREEN	3	14:03:24.018	+54:19:13.500	-100	-100
GREEN	4	14:03:01.142	+54:19:13.500	100	-100
GREEN	5	14:03:12.580	+54:20:35.500	0	0

WASP Dither Pattern Control

A tour of the Dither Pattern Control (continued)

- The image download control panel allows observers to load a target list (i.e. in the same format as used by FACSUM, either *.csv or *.ptc format) and then automatically download DSS images for each of the fields in the list.
- The primary use for this panel is to allow observers to download the DSS images in the afternoon for the coming nights run making operations slightly faster.

Automatically download the target list images

Specify the size of the image to download:
Recommend 30x30 arc-minutes so the entire WASP field is visible

Browse for target list:
Formats accepted = *.csv and *.ptc

Specify the target list format

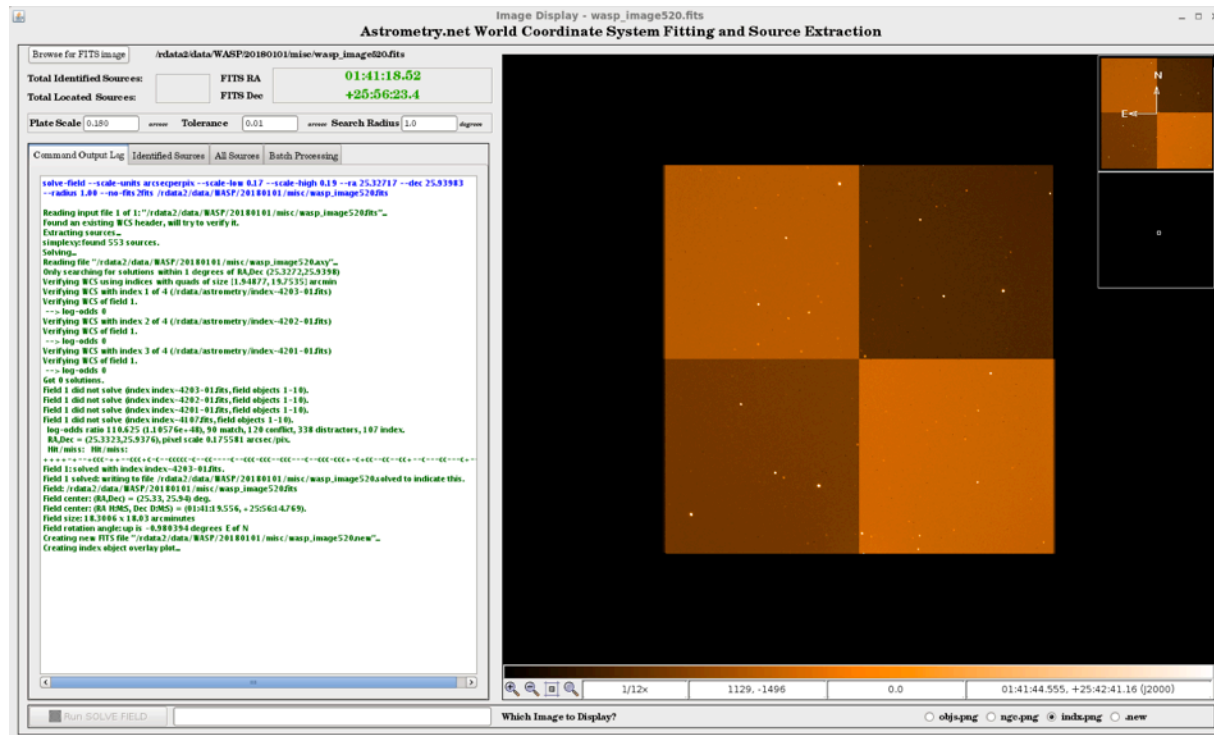
Select row in the table and then press
"Retrieve Image" to load the image into the control.

GREEN = downloaded
RED = currently downloading
GREY = not yet downloaded

Download...	Object Name	RA	Dec	RA decl...	Dec decl...	RA motion	Dec mot...	Equinox	
GREEN	M3	13:42:11.62	+28:22:38.20	205.548	28.377	0	0	2,000	
GREEN	M13	16:41:41.63	+36:27:40.75	250.423	36.461	0	0	2,000	
GREEN	M15	21:29:58.33	+12:10:01.20	322.493	12.167	0	0	2,000	
GREEN	Trapezium	05:35:16.50	-05:23:14.00	83.819	-5.387	0	0	2,000	
GREEN	CrabM1	05:34:31.94	+22:00:52.20	83.633	22.015	0	0	2,000	
GREEN	M51	13:29:52.70	+47:11:42.93	202.47	47.195	0	0	2,000	
GREEN	M101	14:03:12.51	+54:20:53.10	210.802	54.348	0	0	2,000	
GREEN	NGC2770	09:09:33.62	+33:07:24.29	137.39	33.123	0	0	2,000	
GREEN	NGC598	01:33:50.09	+30:39:35.79	23.459	30.66	0	0	2,000	
GREEN	HRDel	20:42:20.35	+19:09:39.31	310.585	19.161	0	0	2,000	
RED	GC150-Palomar1...	16:59:51.00	-00:32:18.00	254.963	-0.538	0	0	2,000	
RED	M4	16:23:35.22	-26:31:32.70	245.897	-26.526	0	0	2,000	
RED	NGC6715	18:55:03.33	-30:28:47.50	283.764	-30.48	0	0	2,000	
RED	NGC2158	06:07:25.00	+24:05:48.00	91.854	24.097	0	0	2,000	
RED	RW Triangulum ...	02:25:36.15	+28:05:50.90	36.401	28.097	0	0	2,000	
RED	NGC6543	17:58:33.42	+66:37:59.52	269.639	66.633	0	0	2,000	
RED	NGC2024	05:41:43.00	-01:50:30.00	85.429	-1.842	0	0	2,000	
RED	Cep A	22:56:17.90	+62:01:49.00	344.075	62.03	0	0	2,000	
RED	Rho Ophiuchi	16:25:35.12	-23:26:49.82	246.396	-23.447	0	0	2,000	
RED	SH 2-106	20:27:27.10	+37:22:39.00	306.863	37.377	0	0	2,000	
RED	PTFEB11.441	00:45:46.00	+41:50:30.00	11.442	41.842	0	0	2,000	
RED	PTFEB28.235	01:52:56.60	+38:44:13.40	28.236	38.737	0	0	2,000	
RED	PTFEB28.852	01:55:24.70	+37:31:53.80	28.853	37.532	0	0	2,000	
RED	M22	18:36:23.94	-23:54:17.10	279.1	-23.905	0	0	2,000	

RA 00:00:00.0 Dec 00:00:00.0
Proper Motion RA 0 Proper Motion DEC 0

EXAMPLE CSV FORMAT: Ring Nebula,18:53:35.079,+33:01:45-03,2000,SNAME,RA,DEC,EQUINOX



ASTROMETRY.NET INTEGRATION

WASP and Astrometry.net

- The WASP computer contains a local distribution of the Astrometry.net program and it's associated set of database files.
- The main WASP GUI's "Observing Tools" menu allow the observer access to the built in Astrometry.net GUI

Identified SOURCES in the Image

Browse for FITS image

Command Output Log

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value-field --scale-units arcseconds --scale-low 8.17 --scale-high 8.19 --ra 25.32717 --dec 25.83983
--radius 1.88 --on-the-spot /data2/data/WASP/20180101/nits/wasp_image520.fits
Reading input file 1 of 1 "/data2/data/WASP/20180101/nits/wasp_image520.fits"
Found an existing WCS header, will try to verify it.
Extracting sources...
simplexfound 553 sources.
Solving...
Reading file "/data2/data/WASP/20180101/nits/wasp_image520.fits"
Only searching for solutions within 1 degrees of RA/Dec (25.3272,25.8398)
Verifying WCS using indices with quads of size 1.0/0.0/0.0/0.0 arcmin
Verifying WCS with index 1 of 4 (/data2/astrometry/indices-4283-81.fits)
Verifying WCS of field 1.
--log index 0
Verifying WCS with index 2 of 4 (/data2/astrometry/indices-4282-81.fits)
Verifying WCS of field 1.
--log index 0
Verifying WCS with index 3 of 4 (/data2/astrometry/indices-4281-81.fits)
Verifying WCS of field 1.
--log index 0
Get 0 solutions.
Field 1 did not value index-indices-4283-81.fits, field objects 1-10.
Field 1 did not value index-indices-4282-81.fits, field objects 1-10.
Field 1 did not value index-indices-4281-81.fits, field objects 1-10.
Field 1 did not value index-indices-407000, field objects 1-10.
log odds ratio 118.825 (1.8957e-48), 90 matches, 1.28 conflicts, 338 distractors, 187 indices.
RA/Dec = (25.3272,25.8398), pixel scale 8.175581 arcsec/pix.
RM/notes:
*****
Field 1 solved with index-indices-4283-81.fits.
Field 1 solved writing to file /data2/data/WASP/20180101/nits/wasp_image520 solved to indicate this.
Index: /data2/data/WASP/20180101/nits/wasp_image520.fits
Field center: (RA/Dec) = (25.33, 25.84) deg.
Field center: (RA/MJD, Dec/MJD) = (014118.556, +255623.4) deg.
Field size: 18.888 x 18.83 arcminutes
Field rotation angle: up to -6.88394 degrees E of N
Creating new FITS file "/data2/data/WASP/20180101/nits/wasp_image520new.fits"
Creating index object overlay plot.
  
```

Identified Sources

X	Y	RA	Dec	RA decim...	Dec decim...
1.771.716	1.229.832	08:51:15.098	+31:31:35.101	32.854	31.526
1.507.644	5.338.543	08:51:54.025	+31:43:37.657	32.865	31.727
209.059	6.033.555	08:56:20.904	+31:45:43.088	32.939	31.762
63.361	2.423.624	08:57:04.532	+31:35:09.492	32.951	31.586
6,017.542	2.711.046	08:36:35.442	+31:35:42.752	32.61	31.595
285.812	3.637.469	08:56:13.866	+31:38:42.220	32.937	31.645
4,458.957	5.600.653	08:41:43.476	+31:44:15.032	32.695	31.738
5,426.174	3.714.535	08:38:32.489	+31:38:40.916	32.642	31.645
3,182.949	2,040.132	08:46:20.658	+31:33:53.582	32.772	31.565
3,384.305	706.364	08:45:44.453	+31:29:58.481	32.762	31.5
5,456.37	5,791.867	08:38:17.592	+31:44:45.431	32.638	31.746
4,383.016	502.055	08:42:19.876	+31:29:19.572	32.706	31.489
3,061.34	4,643.031	08:46:35.429	+31:41:31.171	32.777	31.692
2,991.712	2,210.662	08:46:59.412	+31:34:24.110	32.783	31.573
4,844.435	3,771.378	08:40:31.721	+31:38:52.735	32.675	31.648
5,232.861	1,482.923	08:39:21.420	+31:32:09.427	32.656	31.536
1,489.698	3,022.755	08:52:06.596	+31:36:51.034	32.868	31.614
1,411.821	6,113.432	08:52:10.913	+31:45:53.896	32.87	31.765
1,887.406	2,183.403	08:50:47.533	+31:34:22.436	32.847	31.573
4,971.324	-4.229	08:40:21.180	+31:27:48.708	32.673	31.464
5,988.496	5,542.914	08:36:29.416	+31:44:00.028	32.608	31.733
932.886	1,364.384	08:54:08.150	+31:32:01.014	32.902	31.534
5,307.888	4,893.882	08:38:51.850	+31:42:08.338	32.648	31.702
1,052.897	2,012.743	08:53:40.862	+31:33:54.695	32.895	31.565
5,613.954	2,287.291	08:37:59.930	+31:34:29.597	32.633	31.575
5,873.464	3,336.794	08:37:02.330	+31:37:33.139	32.617	31.626
4,219.821	4,296.237	08:42:36.034	+31:40:26.825	32.711	31.674

All Sources found in the image

X	Y	Flux	Background
1,772.516	1,404.538	54,889.68	815.32
1,505.588	5,340.939	25,062.836	917.164
6,022.371	2,710.238	4,572.03	953.97
6,027	5,573	3,957.116	698.884
288	3,632	3,105.276	914.724
3,382	713	1,930.682	962.318
4,380.109	501.223	1,372.958	955.042
3,966	4,183	1,377.32	717.68
2,628.139	3,988.193	964.002	919.998
1,505.547	5,333.411	24,383.883	917.117

Batch process for running multiple files at once

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/data2/data/WASP/20180101/TRIANGULUM/Triangulum_R_1.fits
/data2/data/WASP/20180101/TRIANGULUM/Triangulum_R_2.fits
/data2/data/WASP/20180101/TRIANGULUM/Triangulum_R_focus_1.fits
  
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Executing

WASP and Astrometry.net

- Astrometry.net is an excellent way to refine the WCS coordinates in WASP images.
- WASP has a large enough field of view that very few images fail to solve with Astrometry.net
- Supplying the plate scale (0.18 arc-seconds/pixel +/- 0.01) and tolerance with a small search radius speeds up the solution substantially and most analyses complete in around 60 seconds.

Image Display

Which image do you want to display after the solution is found?

- objs.png = png file annotated with sources
- ngc.png = png file with no annotation
- indx.png = displays "QUAD" used for solution
- .new = FITS with updated WCS

Browse for FITS image

RA and Dec retrieved from FITS header

Browse for FITS image

/data2/data/WASP/20180101/misc/wasp_image518.fits

Total Identified Sources: 108

Total Located Sources: 2878

FITS RA: 02:25:36.15

FITS Dec: +28:05:50.8

Plate Scale: 0.180 arcsec

Tolerance: 0.01 arcsec

Search Radius: 1.0 degree

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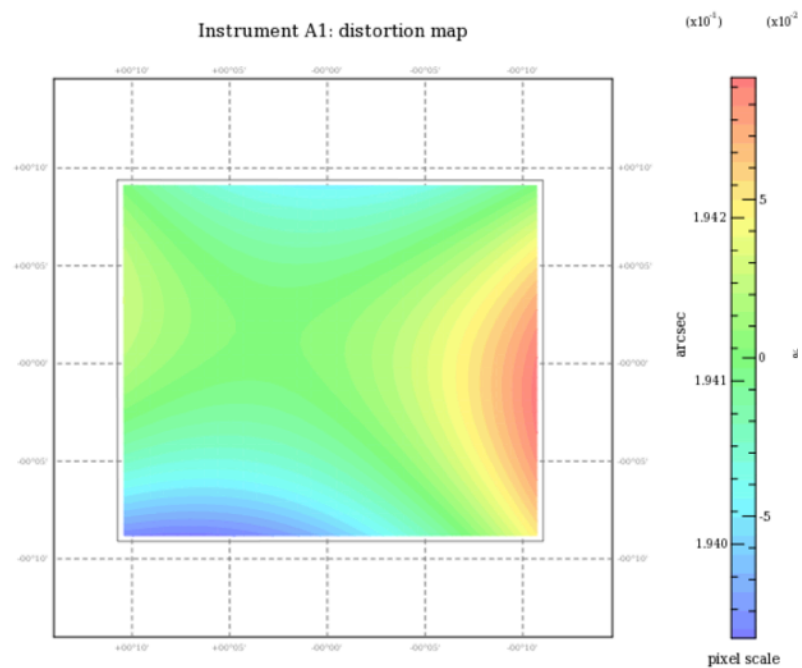
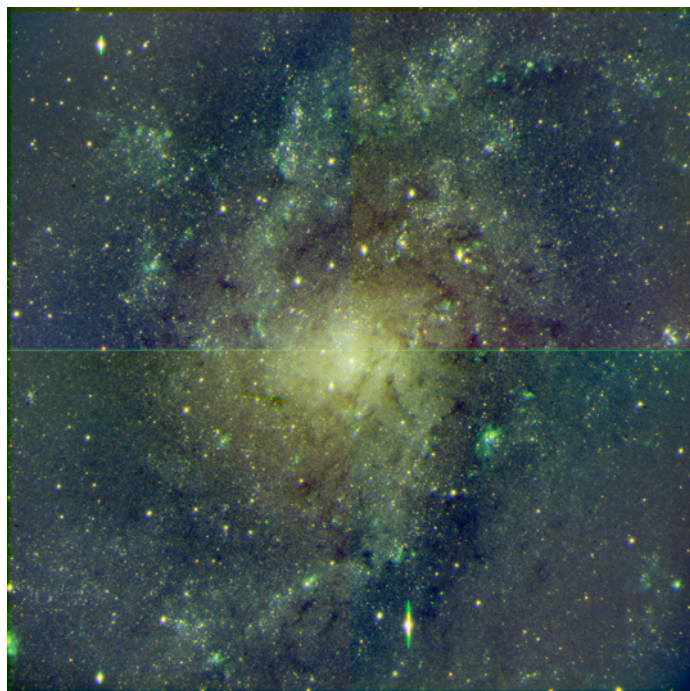
Input estimated Plate Scale: WASP 0.18 arc-seconds/pixel

Caltech Optical Observatories

Plate Scale Tolerance:

Search Radius about RA and Dec

100

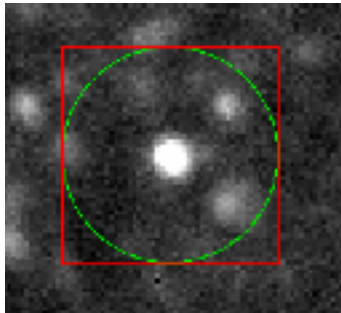


WASP OPTICAL DISTORTIONS

Optical Quality Assessment

Gaussian FWHM Map and examples of coma at the periphery of the optical field

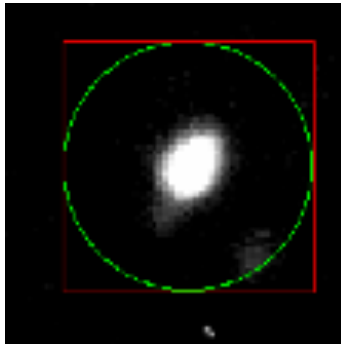
Coma NE quadrant



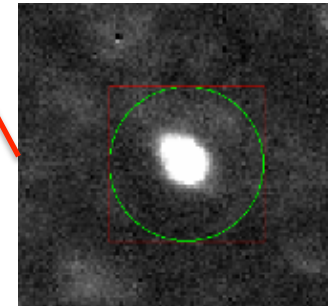
Coma NW quadrant



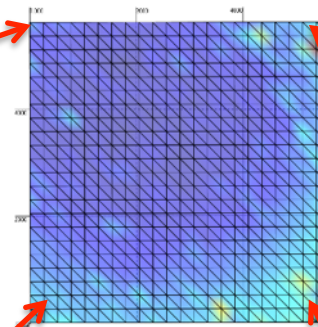
Coma SE quadrant



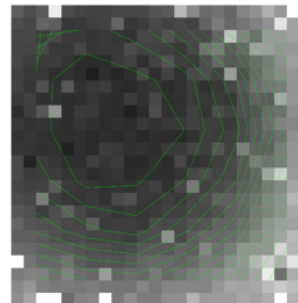
Coma SW quadrant



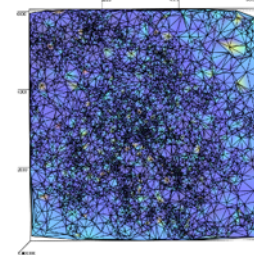
FWHM Map



FWHM Image



Astigmatism Map

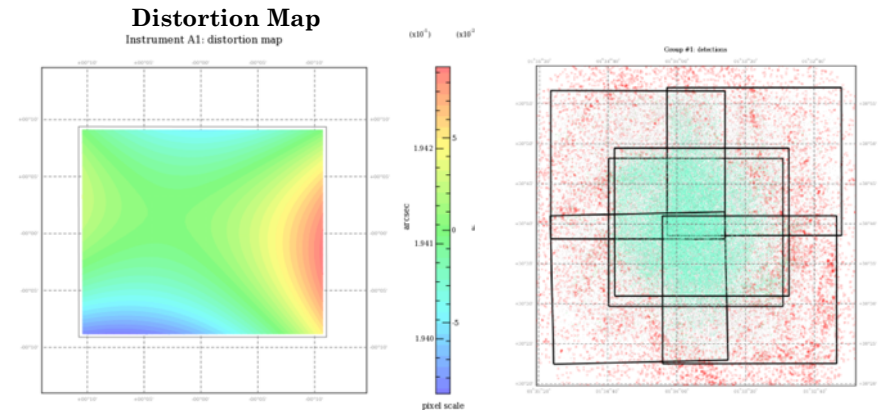
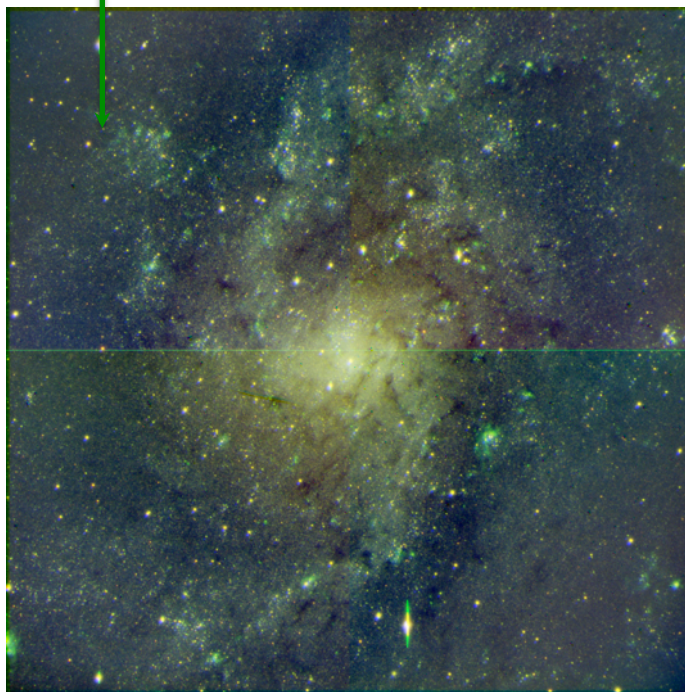


Optical Quality Assessment

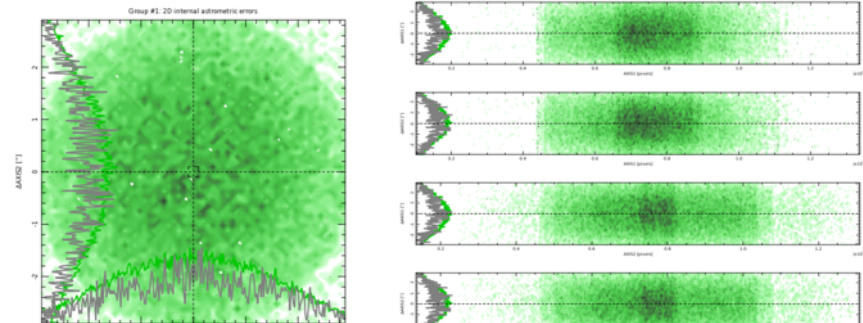
Example: SCAMP evaluation of astrometric distortions

The image of NGC 598 depicted below is a composite of 5 dither positions observed in 3 separate filters (r' , i' , g')

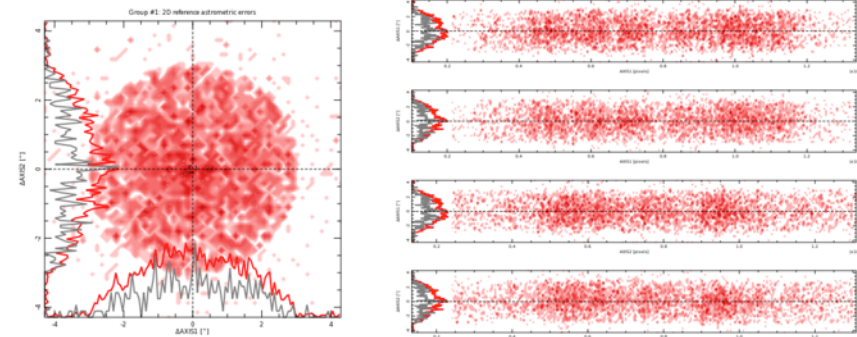
Example: NGC 598



Internal Astrometric Error



Reference Astrometric Error



Aperture Photometry Summary Photometry Positions

Powered By

Aperture Photometry Summary

Position

Aperture RA 23:59:57.000
Aperture DEC +00:00:27.360
Centroid RA 23:59:57.023
Centroid DEC +00:00:25.447
Aperture X 1664
Aperture Y 1666
Centroid X 1664.08
Centroid Y 1666.69
Centroid Flag

Photometry Graph

ACTIVE

(Source Intensity and Magnitude)

Aperture Correction

Source Intensity 19.52
Source Uncertainty 18.35
Magnitude -3.22619963
Magnitude Uncertainty 1.02057898
Source Model
Radial Profile FWHM 5.6957
Data Units

Cross Section Graph

Aperture Definition

Radius Centroid
Aperture Major Radius 8
Aperture Minor Radius 8
Aperture Rotation Angle 0.0
Sky Inner Radius 15
Sky Outer Radius 20
Aperture Number of Pixels 202.34
Aperture Number Rejected 0
Sky Number of Pixels 559

SNAP to Centroid Sky Model

Sky Model Model A
Sky Median 522.00
Sky Mode 522.01
Sky Average 522.10
Sky L NA Bkg -1000000.00
Sky RMS 522.10
Sky Custom
Sky Sigma 0.96
Sky Scale 1.00

Current Photometry Aperture

Aperture Major Radius 8
Aperture Minor Radius 8
Aperture Rotation Angle 0.0
Sky Inner Radius 15
Sky Outer Radius 20
Circular Aperture

Sky Algorithm

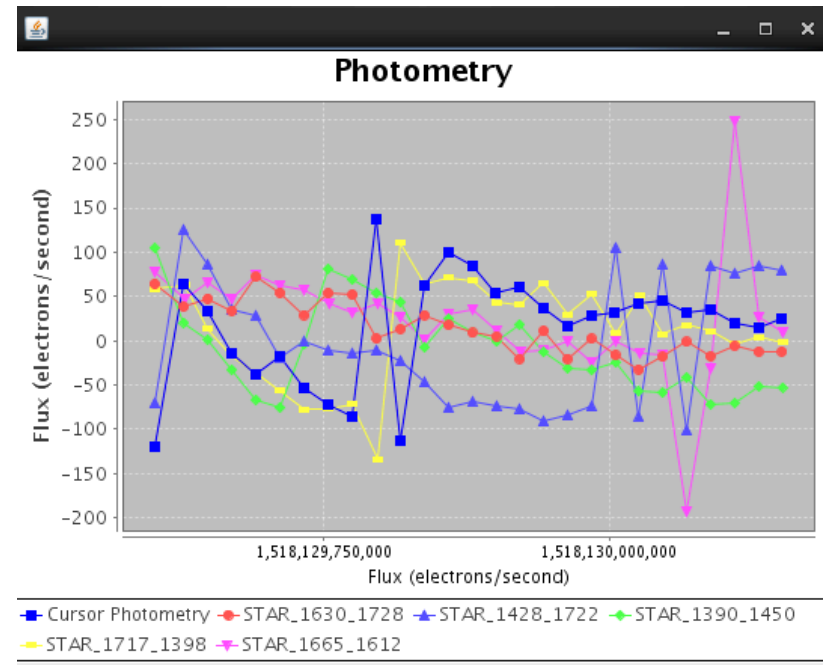
No Sky Background Subtraction
Sky annulus median subtraction
Custom Sky subtraction
Sky annulus average subtraction
Sky annulus mode subtraction
Non-Sky Annulus local mode subtraction

Source Algorithm

No pixel interpolation
Interpolate NAN, Saturated Pixels
Interpolate All Pixels

Conversion factor to photons/second
Zero Point Magnitude

Apply correction to photons/second
Apply Zero Point Magnitude



APERTURE PHOTOMETRY

Aperture Photometry

Aperture Photometry Tool Integration

Aperture Photometry Summary

Position

Aperture RA: 23:59:57.000
Aperture DEC: +00:00:27.360
Centroid RA: 23:59:57.022
Centroid DEC: +00:00:25.447
Aperture X: 1664
Aperture Y: 1606
Centroid X: 1664.08
Centroid Y: 1606.69
Centroid Flag:

Aperture Definition

Radius Centroid: 8
Aperture Major Radius: 8
Aperture Minor Radius: 8
Aperture Rotation Angle: 0.0
Sky Inner Radius: 15
Sky Outer Radius: 20
Aperture Number of Pixels: 202.24
Aperture Number Rejected: 0
Sky Number of Pixels: 559

Current Photometry Aperture

Aperture Major Radius: 8
Aperture Minor Radius: 8
Aperture Rotation Angle: 0.0
Sky Inner Radius: 15
Sky Outer Radius: 20
Circular Aperture: ☒

Sky Algorithm

☐ No Sky Background Subtraction
☒ Sky annulus median subtraction
☐ Custom Sky subtraction
☐ No-Sky-Annulus local mode subtraction

Source Algorithm

☒ No pixel interpolation
☐ Interpolate NaN, Saturated Pixels
☐ Interpolate All Pixels

Photometry Positions

Photometry Graph
Clear Graph

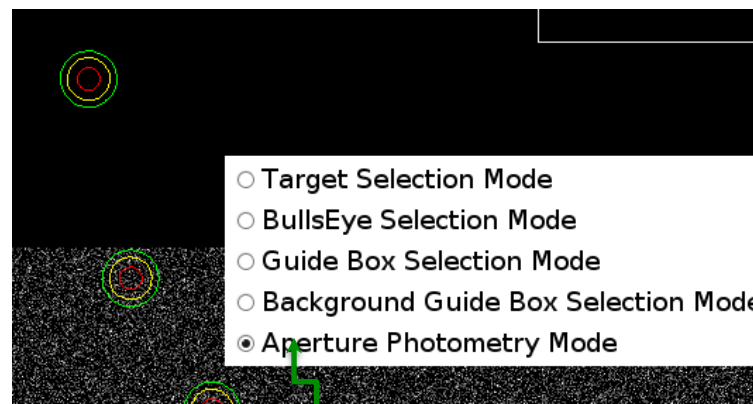
Aperture Photometry Log

Aperture Correction: 19.52
Source Intensity: 18.35
Source Uncertainty: -3.22619963
Magnitude: 1.02057898
Magnitude Uncertainty: 5.6987
Source Model: Data Units

First you need to "Activate" the Aperture Photometry Mode so that images are read into the correct structures for doing the aperture calculations. You need to "Activate" prior to taking the image.

Note: The code used for the aperture photometry calculations was written by Russ Laher of IPAC and incorporated into the WASP instrument. If there is a problem anywhere in the calculations it is solely my responsibility not Russ's.

Each time either the mouse is clicked on the image or a new image is taken the Aperture photometry parameters are updated in the GUI.



After an image has been taken you can right-mouse click on the image to display the cursor dialog and select "Aperture Photometry Mode".

Clicking on the image will then place a "Photometry" cursor on the image using a circular aperture with a Aperture Major Radius and a "Sky Inner Radius" and "Sky Outer Radius" controlled by the dialog spinners.

Aperture Photometry

Monitoring the photometry of multiple objects

If the + sign is engaged (i.e. icon turns green) each click on the image will add a new photometry cursor to the list of objects to monitor. Positions in this table are considered “static” photometry records.

index	object	xc	yc	sky m...	custo...	maj
0	STAR 1630 1728	1.641...	1.659...	0	0	0
0	STAR 1428 1722	1.440...	1.678...	0	0	0
0	STAR 1390 1450	1.373...	1.402...	0	0	0
0	STAR 1717 1398	1.724...	1.309...	0	0	0
0	STAR 1665 1612	1.671...	1.518...	0	0	0

timestamp	object	ApertureRA	Aperture...	Ce
2458158.4442409...	CURSOR	23:59:55...	00:00:13...	0
2458158.4445414...	CURSOR	23:59:55...	00:00:13...	0
2458158.44478728...	CURSOR	23:59:55...	00:00:17...	0
2458158.4450298...	CURSOR	23:59:55...	00:00:16...	0
2458158.4452737...	CURSOR	23:59:55...	00:00:16...	0
2458158.4455184...	CURSOR	23:59:55...	00:00:16...	0
2458158.4457617...	CURSOR	23:59:55...	00:00:16...	0
2458158.4460038...	CURSOR	23:59:55...	00:00:20...	0
2458158.4462521...	CURSOR	23:59:55...	00:00:21...	0
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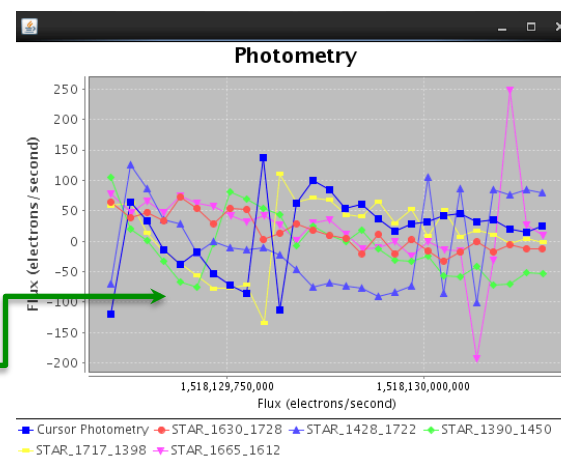
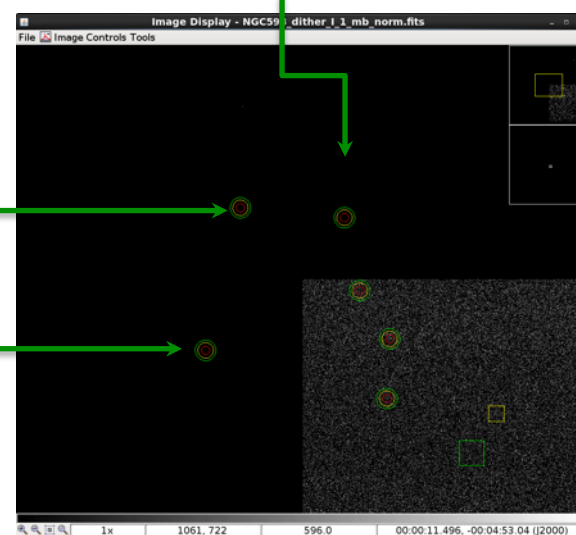
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2458158.4442409...	STAR 1428 1722	00:00...	+00:01:0...	00
2458158.4442409...	STAR 1390 1450	00:00...	-00:00:33...	00
2458158.4442409...	STAR 1717 1398	23:59...	-00:00:23...	23
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2458158.4445414...	STAR 1428 1722	00:00...	+00:01:0...	00
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2458158.44478728...	STAR 1717 1398	23:59...	-00:00:55...	23
2458158.44478728...	STAR 1665 1612	23:59...	+00:00:2...	23
2458158.4450298...	STAR 1630 1728	23:59...	+00:01:0...	23
2458158.4450298...	STAR 1428 1722	00:00...	+00:01:0...	00

Each time the image is clicked with the mouse a new record is added to the “Cursor Photometry Record” (note as long as the + button is not active)

Each new image will produce a new set of measurements in the “static photometry records” table for each photometry cursor.

Photometry Graph: Each “static” photometry cursor appears as a separate “trace” in the photometry graph.

Science Image Display

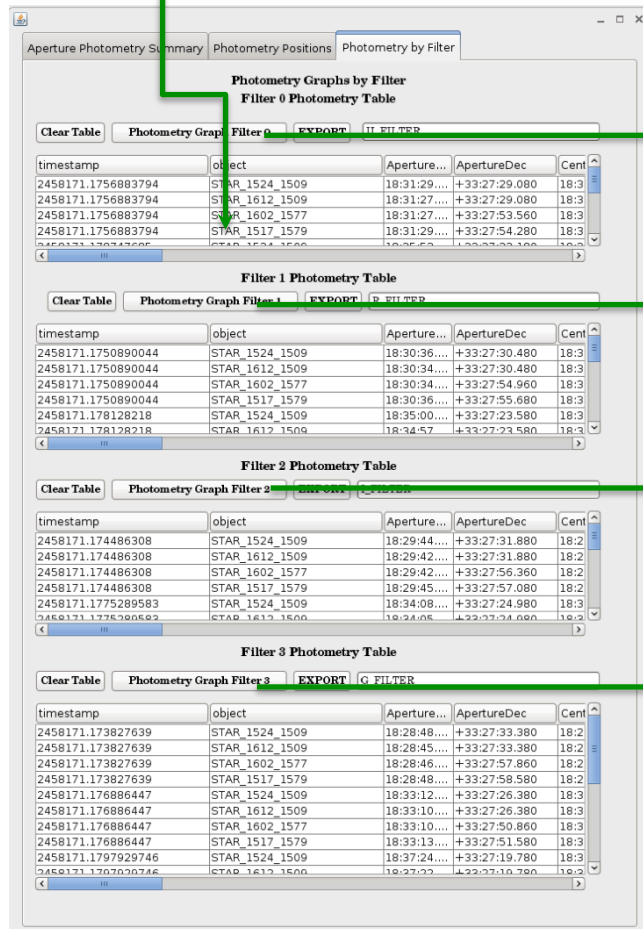


Aperture Photometry

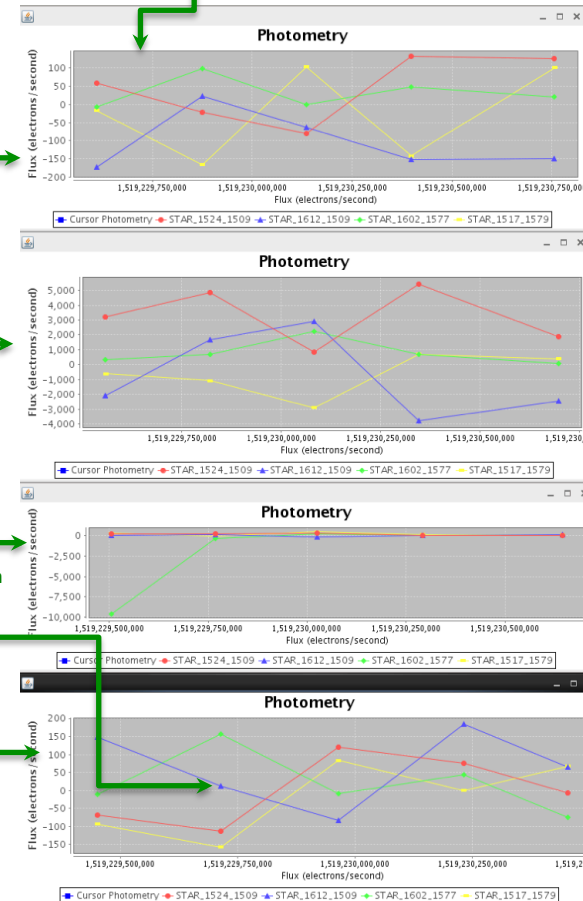
Monitoring the photometry of multiple objects in multiple filters

Static Photometry cursors (4 in this case) are plotted separately for each filter to facilitate monitoring multi-filter observations.

Science Image Display
Observations in each filter are plotted on a separate graph



Photometry Graph: Each "static" photometry cursor appears as a separate "trace" in the photometry graph.

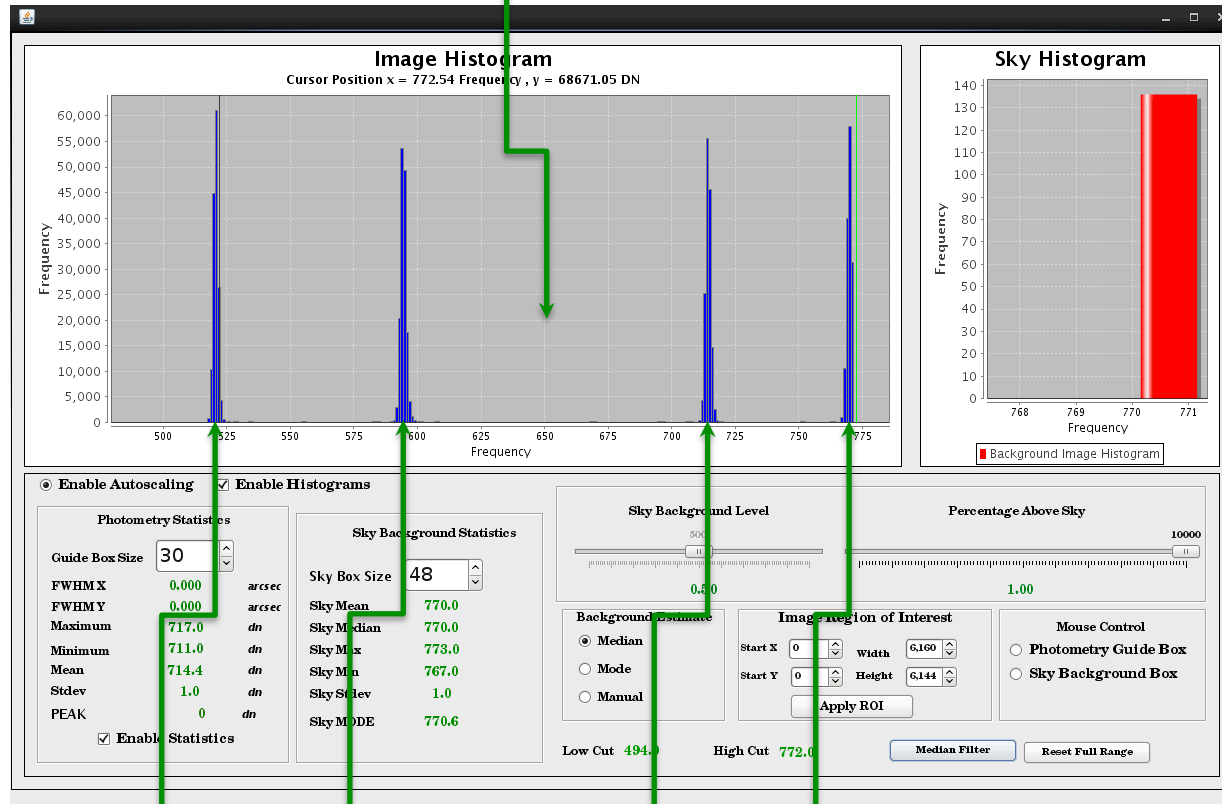


Aperture Photometry

Bias structure of a WASP image

HISTOGRAM OF A BIAS IMAGE

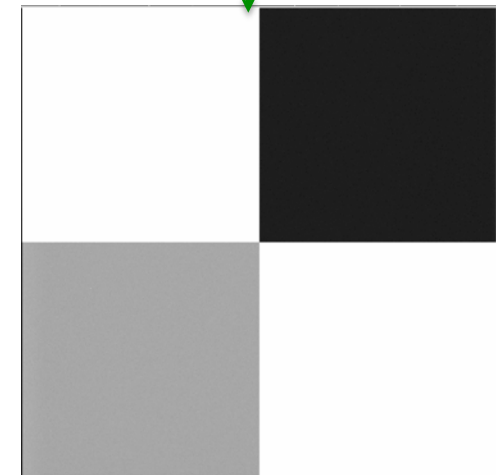
BIAS image of the
WASP Science Detector



UPPER RIGHT
QUADRANT

LOWER LEFT
QUADRANT

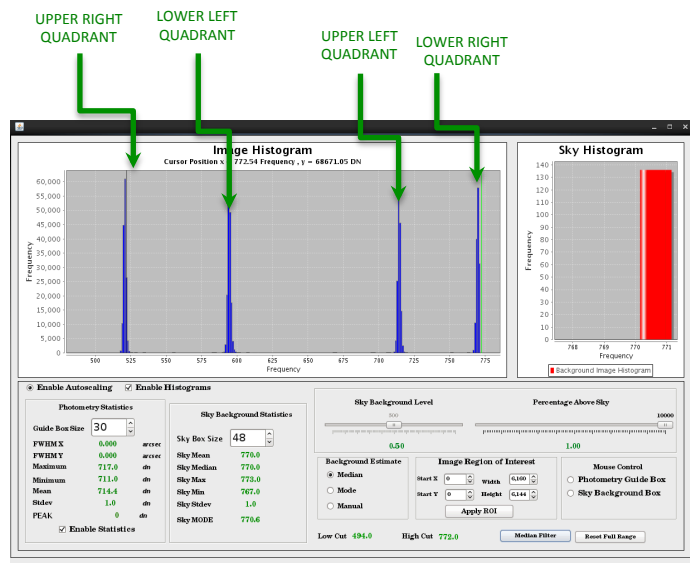
UPPER LEFT
QUADRANT LOWER RIGHT
QUADRANT



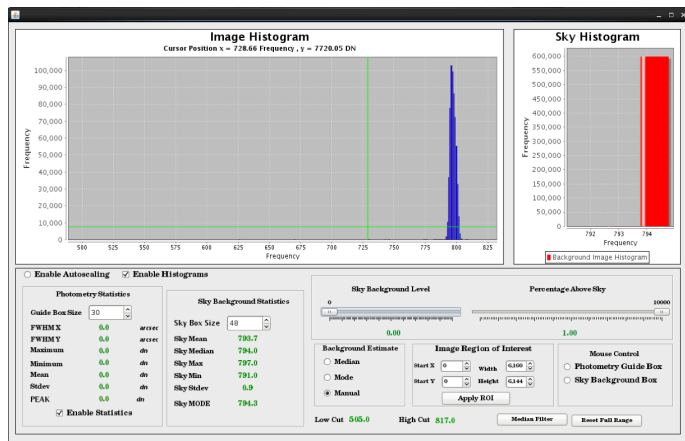
BIAS RANGE = 250 adu

Aperture Photometry

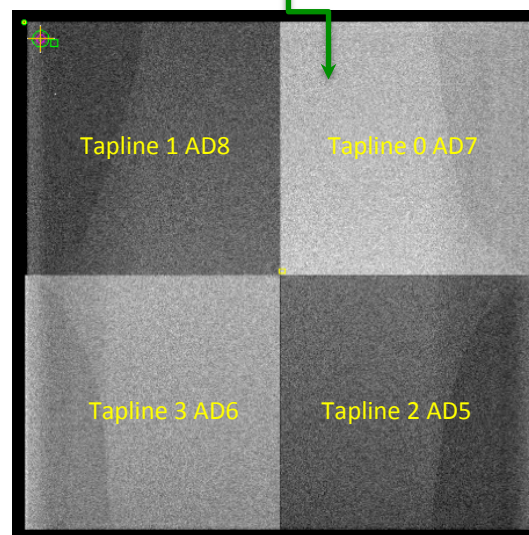
Bias structure of a WASP image



HISTOGRAM OF A BIAS IMAGE AFTER OFFSET CORRECTION



BIAS image of the WASP Science Detector



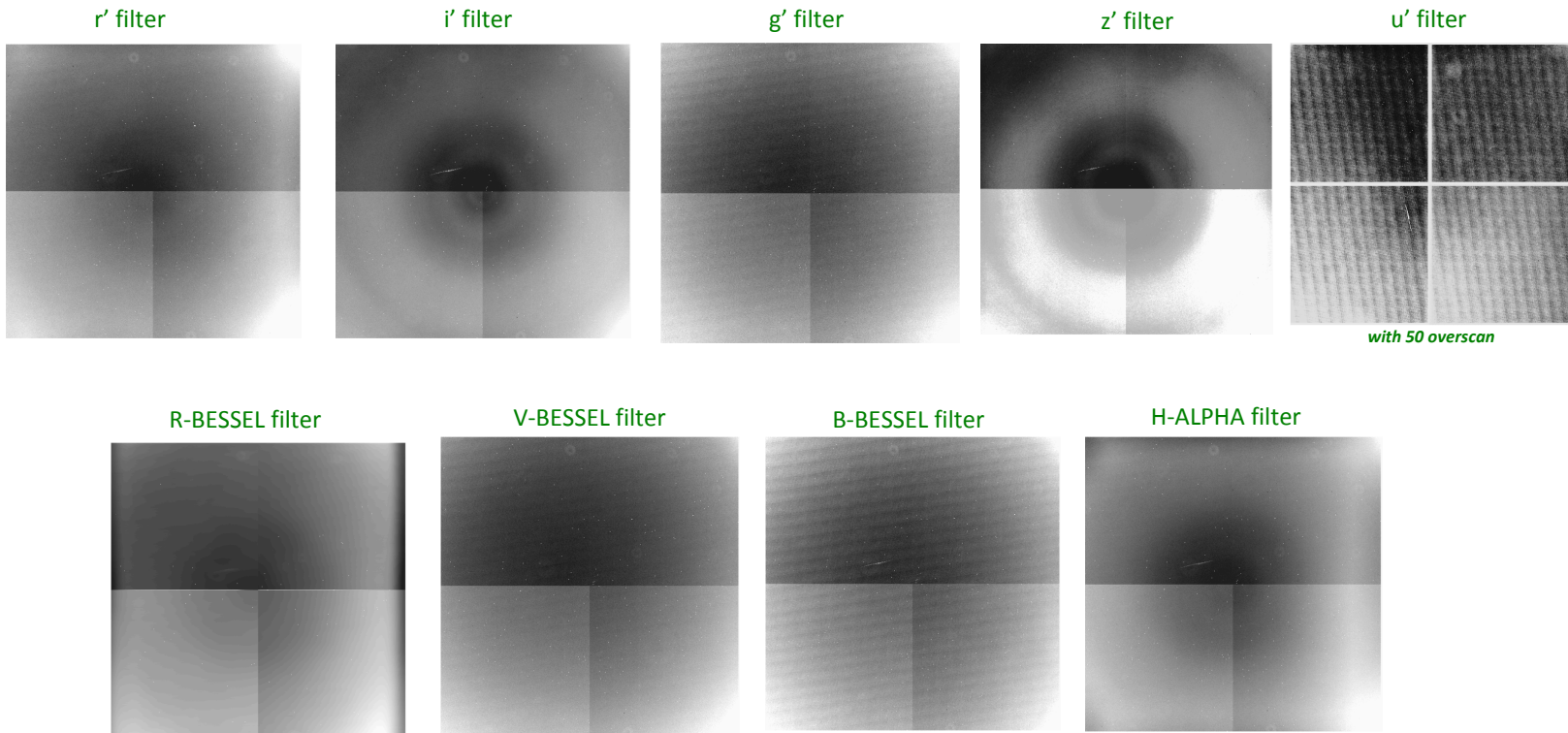
ORIGINAL BIAS RANGE = 250 adu

Offset Correction	Median	Mean	Standard Deviation	Offset	Tapline	
Quadrant 1	607	606.8	1	193	Tapline 3	AD6
Quadrant 2	794	793.6	1.1	6	Tapline 2	AD5
Quadrant 3	530	529.7	1.4	270	Tapline 0	AD7
Quadrant 4	738	737.6	1.1	62	Tapline 1	AD8

BIAS MEASUREMENTS IN EACH QUADRANT BEFORE OFFSET CORRECTION

Aperture Photometry

Comparison between FLAT field images in different filters



WASP Observing Run – August 3, 4 2017

PHOTOMETRIC ANALYSIS – ZERO POINT MAGNITUDES

Photometric Standards

August 2017 – WAS

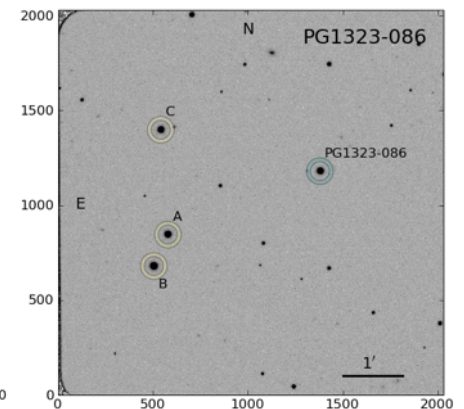
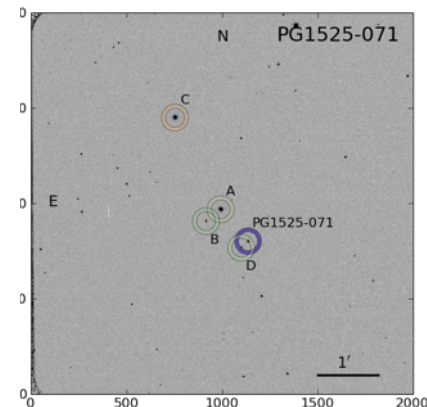
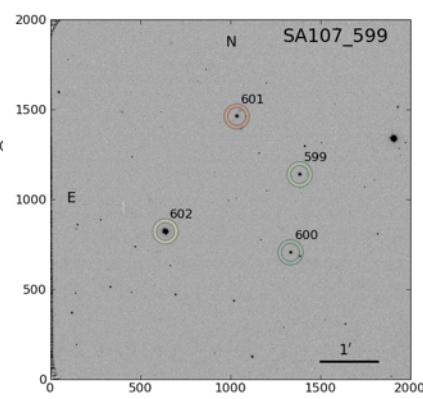
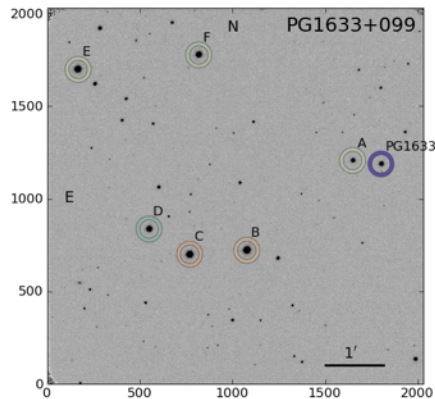
from: <http://www.not.iac.es/instruments/stancam/photstd/>

PG1323-086									
	V	B	U	R	I	B-V	U-B	V-R	V-I
PG1323-086	13.481	13.341	12.66	13.529	13.608	-0.14	-0.681	-0.048	-0.127
PG1323-086A	13.59	13.989	13.97	13.338	13.084	0.399	-0.019	0.252	0.506
PG1323-086B	13.406	14.167	14.432	12.98	12.573	0.761	0.265	0.426	0.833
PG1323-086C	14.003	14.71	14.955	13.608	13.244	0.707	0.245	0.395	0.759

PG1525-071									
	V	B	U	R	I	B-V	U-B	V-R	V-I
PG1525-071	15.046	14.835	13.658	15.114	15.034	-0.211	-1.177	-0.068	0.012
PG1525-071A	13.506	14.279	14.561	13.069	13.085	0.773	0.282	0.437	0.421
PG1525-071B	16.392	17.121	17.262	15.942	16.005	0.729	0.141	0.45	0.387
PG1525-071C	13.519	14.635	15.708	12.926	13.01	1.116	1.073	0.593	0.509
PG1525-071D	16.3	16.693	16.917	15.895	15.957	0.393	0.224	0.405	0.343

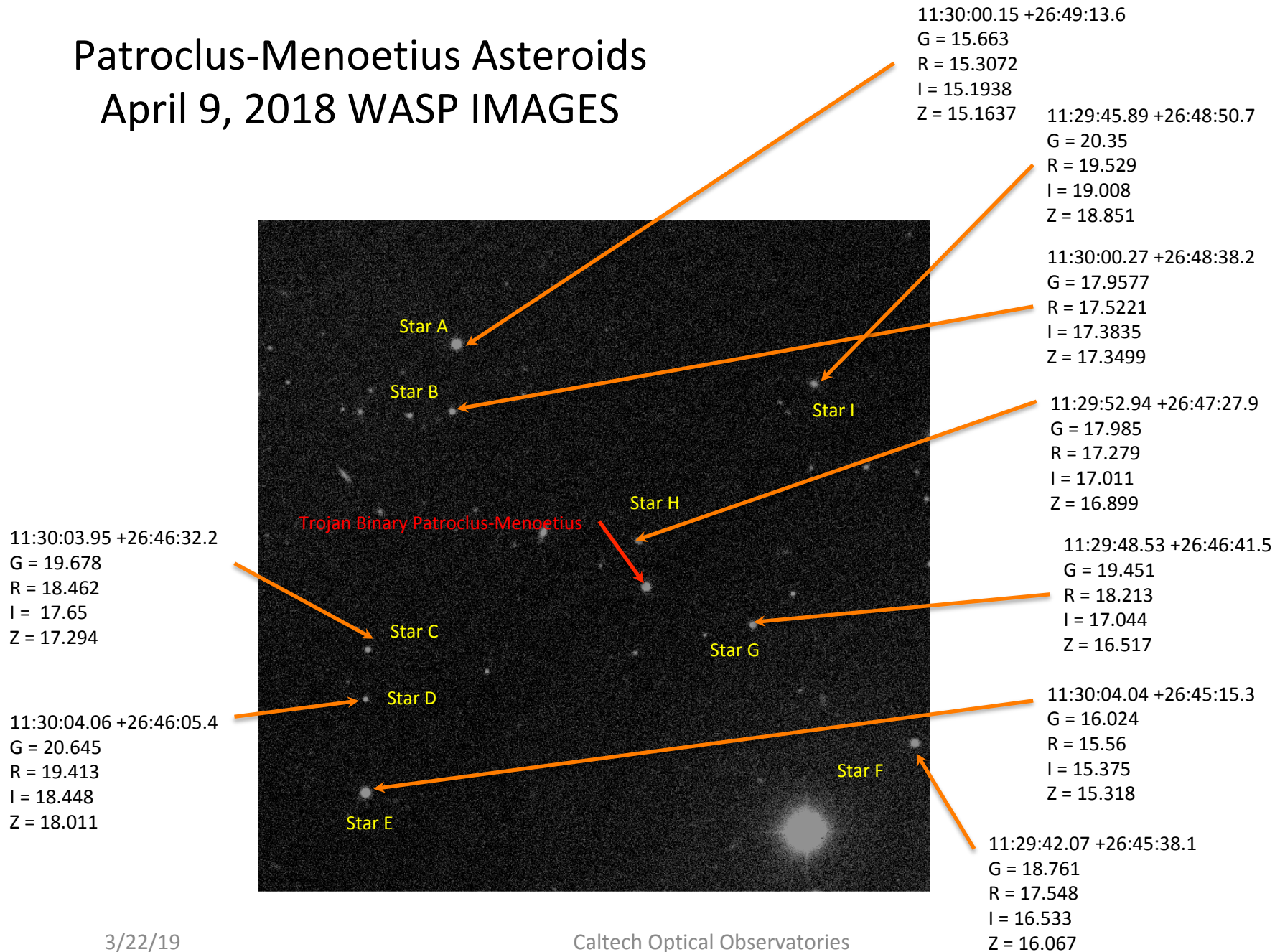
PG1633+099									
	V	B	U	R	I	B-V	U-B	V-R	V-I
PG1633+099	14.396	14.205	13.215	14.481	14.604	-0.191	-0.99	-0.085	-0.208
PG1633+099A	15.259	16.13	16.435	14.753	14.248	0.871	0.305	0.506	1.011
PG1633+099B	12.968	14.049	15.066	12.379	11.878	1.081	1.017	0.589	1.09
PG1633+099C	13.224	14.368	15.514	12.612	12.091	1.144	1.146	0.612	1.133
PG1633+099D	13.689	14.224	14.203	13.365	13.04	0.535	-0.021	0.324	0.649
PG1633+099E	13.113	13.954	14.291	12.629	12.16	0.841	0.337	0.484	0.953
PG1633+099F	13.768	14.646	14.9	13.245	12.733	0.878	0.254	0.523	1.035

SA 107 599									
	V	B	U	R	I	B-V	U-B	V-R	V-I
SA 107 599	14.675	15.373	15.616	14.242	13.806	0.698	0.243	0.433	0.869
SA 107 600	14.884	15.387	15.436	14.545	14.184	0.503	0.049	0.339	0.7
SA 107 601	14.646	16.058	17.323	13.723	12.885	1.412	1.265	0.923	1.761
SA 107 602	12.116	13.107	13.692	11.571	11.042	0.991	0.585	0.545	1.074

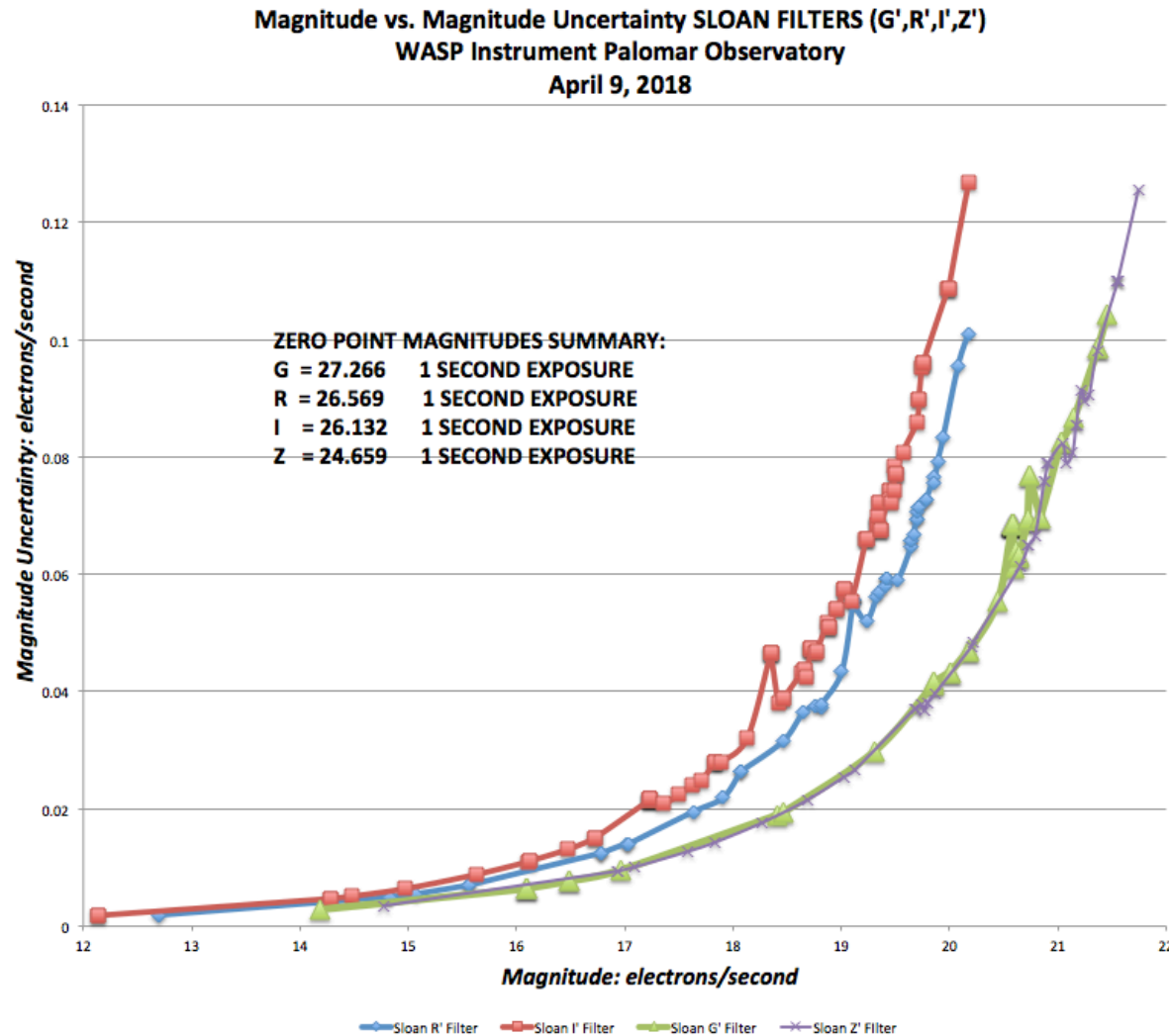


Patroclus-Menoetius Asteroids

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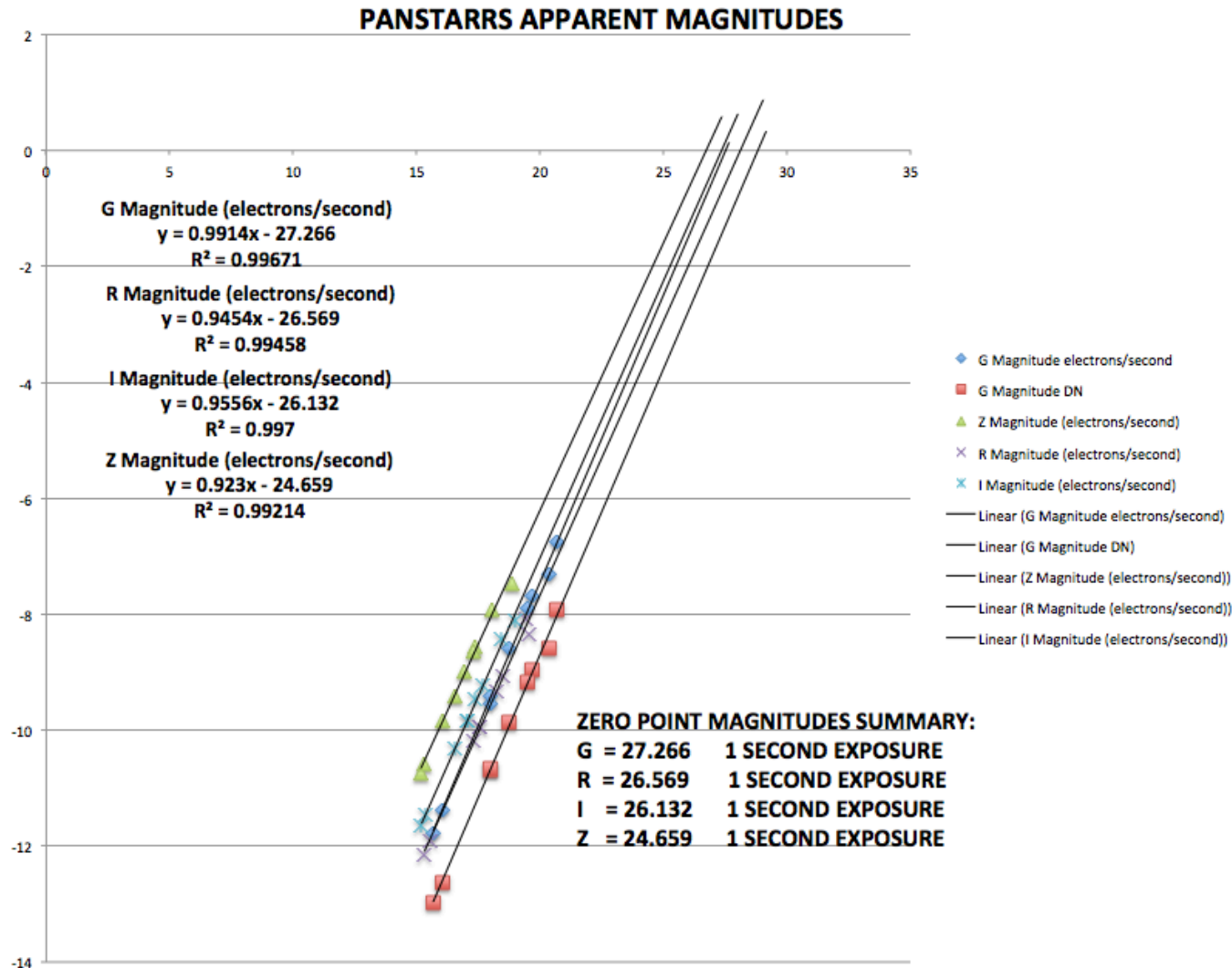
Magnitude vs. Magnitude Uncertainty WASP Instrument Palomar Observatory April 9, 2018



PANSTARRS Apparent Magnitudes vs. Instrumental Magnitudes

Calculation of Zero Point Magnitude for Sloan Filters

April 9, 2018

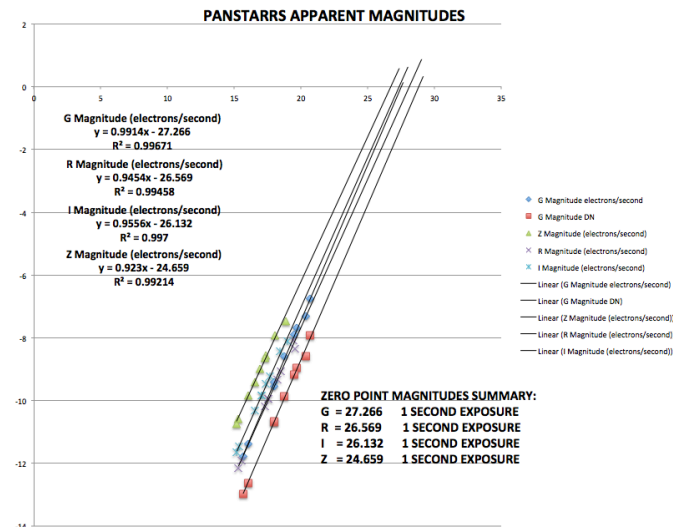


SUMMARY of Sensitivities

Calculation of Zero Point Magnitude for Sloan Filters

April 9, 2018

		Pixel (arcsec ²)	P200 area (m ²)	Gain (e-/DN)	u'	g'	r'	i'	z'	J	H	Ks
Detector	WASP		0.174	5.9	50	90	92	93	60			
Quantum	LFC	17.8	0.180	2	12	24	45	47	19			
Efficiency	WIRC	13	0.250	5.3								
	PHARO	16	0.025	1.9								
Zeropoint (1e/sec)	WASP				25.409	27.266	26.569	26.132	24.659			
	LFC				24.900	27.300	27.400	27.100	26.100			
	WIRC									24.6	24.9	24.4
	PHARO									24.8	25.1	24.7
Measured Sky Background (e/sec/arcsec²)	WASP					339.2	733.4	826.8	560.2			
	LFC					247.0	741.0	1173.0	1420.0			
	WIRC											
	PHARO											



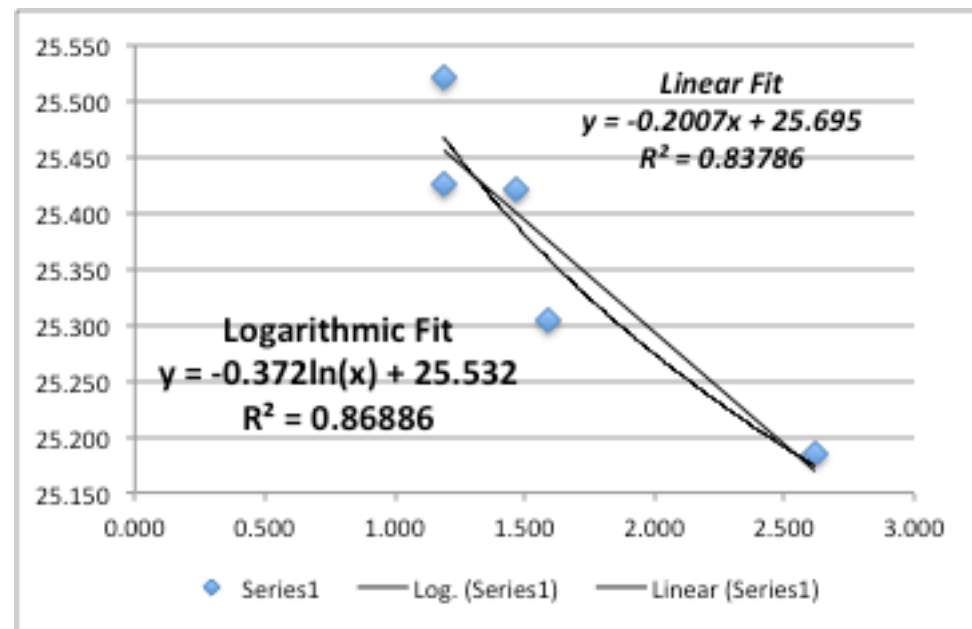
R Band Zero-Point Magnitude Normalized for 1 Second Exposure Time

Aperture Photometry Tool - Determination of Zero Point Magnitude

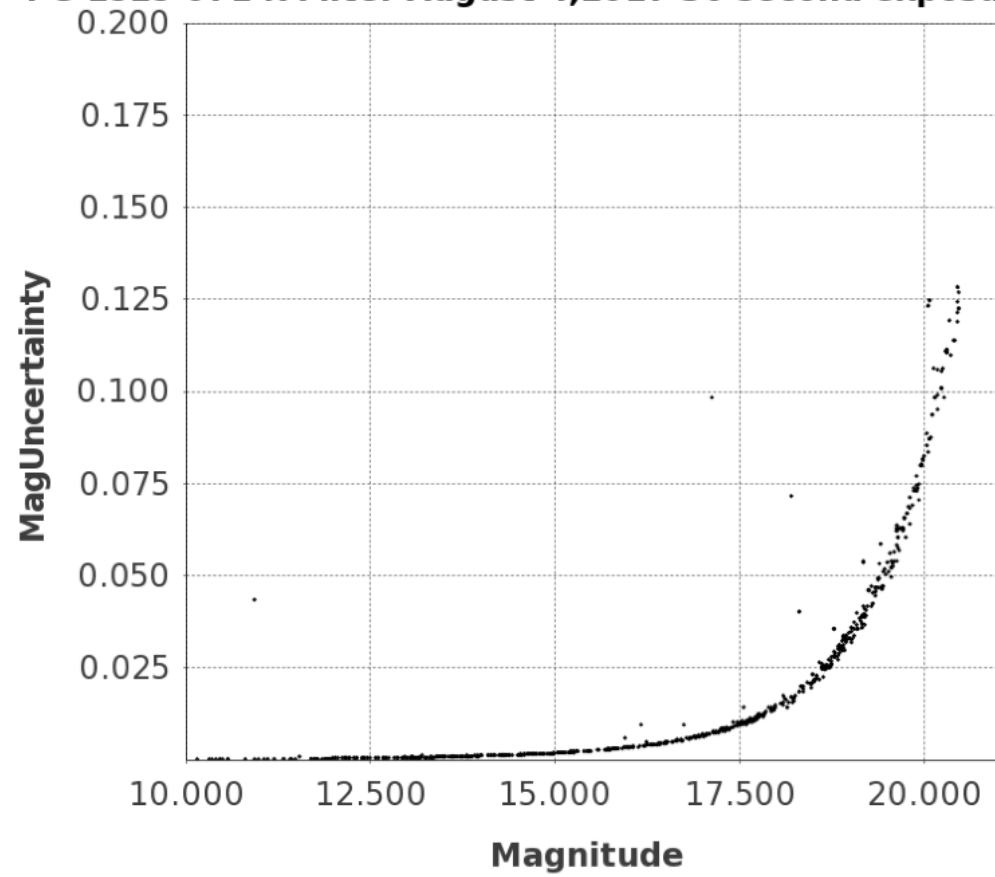
R Band Filter

	Normalized by Exposure Time		Not Normalized		Airmass
	Zero Point	Error	Zero Point	Error	
PG1323-086	25.185	0.022	28.878	0.022	2.618
PG1525-071	25.305	0.016	28.997	0.016	1.593
SA 107 599-602	25.422	0.052	27.922	0.525	1.465
PG1633+099	25.425	0.023	28.678	0.023	1.188
PG1633+099	25.521	0.024	28.021	0.024	1.188
Mean	25.372				
Stdev	0.1294				

Extinction Coefficient **-0.2007**
Zero Point at Airmass 1.00 **25.695**



PG 1525-071 R Filter August 4,2017 30 second exposure



I Band Zero-Point Magnitude

Normalized for 1 Second Exposure Time

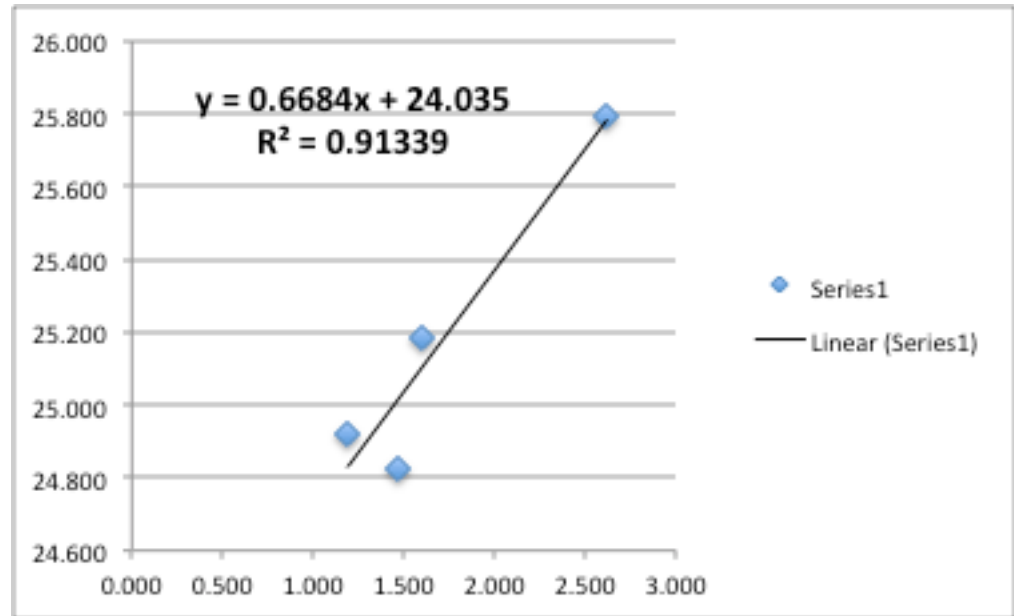
Aperture Photometry Tool - Determination of Zero Point Magnitude

I Band Filter

	Normalized by Exposure Time		Not Normalized		Airmass
	Zero Point	Error	Zero Point	Error	
PG1323-086	25.797	0.0439	28.297	0.044	2.618
PG1525-071	25.183	0.0467	28.860	0.047	1.593
SA 107 599-602	24.829	0.0464	27.329	0.046	1.465
PG1633+099	24.919	0.0526	27.419	0.052	1.188
Mean	25.182				
Stdev	0.4368				

Extinction Coefficient **0.67**

Zero Point at Airmass 1.00 **24.703**



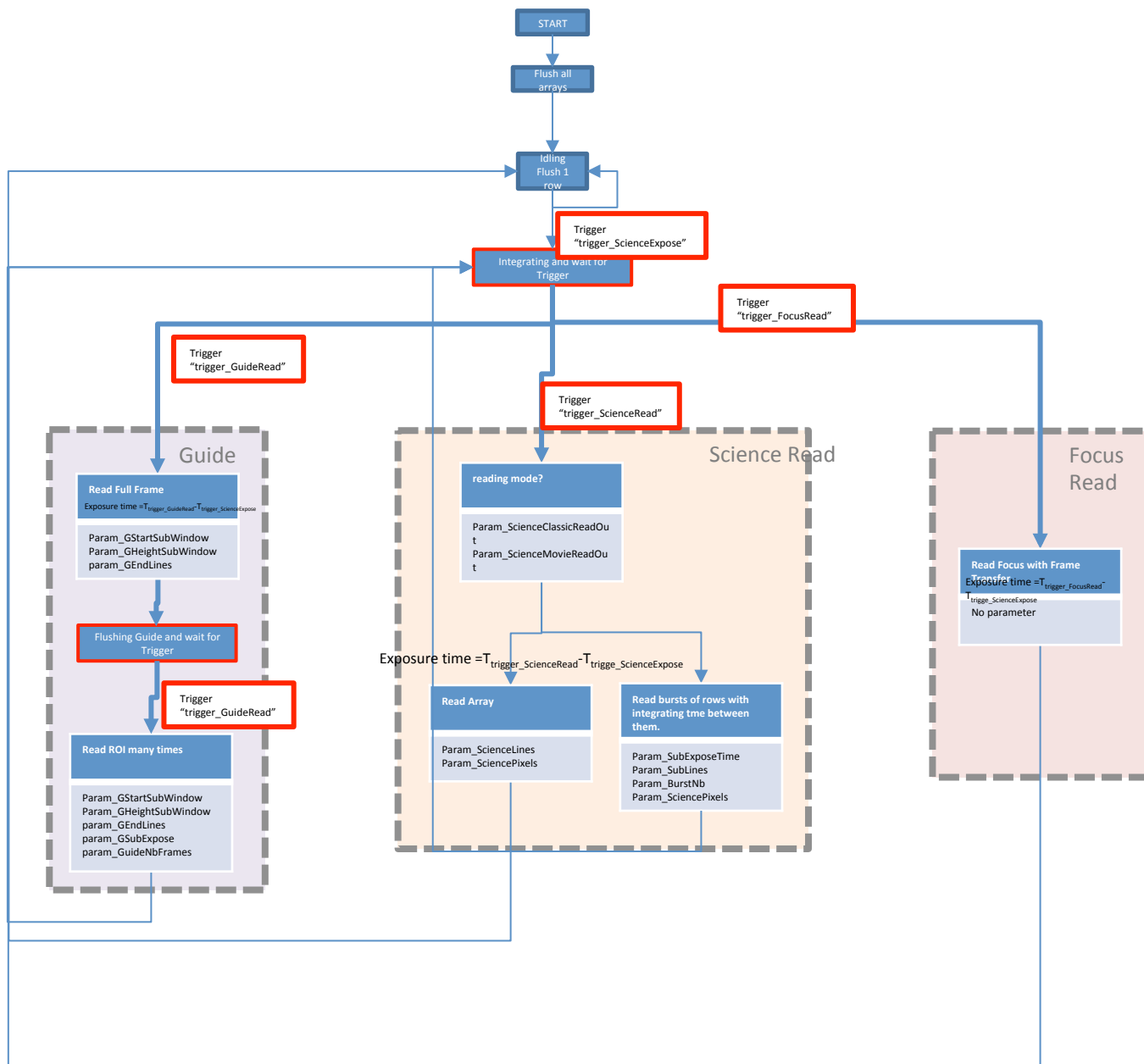
WHAT CAN GO WRONG?

What can go wrong?

- NEVER start 2 instances of the software at the same time.
 - Attempts to connect to the Archon controller when it is already connected to another process causes the controller to fault and requires power cycling to correct.
- Known Bug: If you guide while executing a dither pattern the guiding works correctly for the first and last image of the pattern but appears to not work for the intermediate frames.
- Remember to “Activate Shutter” and “Activate Filter-wheel” after homing the mechanisms. If you forget the shutter will not open when an exposure is taken and the filter-wheel will not move during script execution. (the default will be changed when the next version of the software is deployed.

Timothee Greffe, Caltech Optical Observatory Detector Engineer

APPENDIX A: ELECTRONICS STATE MACHINE AND TIMING



List of external parameters

Triggers:

Name of Trigger	Comment
trigger_ScienceExpose	Trigger to start an exposure. No clocking is then sent to the sensor.
trigger_ScienceRead	Trigger to start a read of the Science detector
trigger_GuideRead	Trigger to start a read of the Guider detector
Trigger_FocusRead	Trigger to start a read of the Focus detector
Trigger_Abort	Trigger to stop current "waiting for trigger" state and goes back in idling mode.

Science detector parameters

Name of parameter	Comment
param_ScienceLines	Total number of lines per Tap.
param_SciencePixels	Total number of pixels per Tap
param_ScienceClassicReadOut	1 if Science Classic full frame ReadOut
param_ScienceMovieReadOut	1 if Movie ReadOut
param_ScienceSubLines	Number of lines in each burst
param_ScienceBurstNb	Number of Bursts. Has to be reset after each frame reading.
param_ScienceSubExposureTime	Exposure time between each burst

Science "Movie Mode" parameters

optional

Guide detector parameters

Name of parameter	Comment
param_GHeightSubWindow	Height of the selected sub-window
param_GStartSubWindow	First row of the sub-window
param_GEndLines	Remaining Lines to read to flush the array. = 1032 - param_GStartSubWindow - param_GHeightSubWindow
param_GuideNbFrames	Number of frames to be read
param_GSubExpose	Exposure time between frames

Focus detector parameters

Name of parameter	Comment
param_FocusRead	Read the focus detector right after a read of Science detector

Parameters of the CDS digital processing unit must be updated before the start of a frame reading.

PIXELCOUNT to the total number of column per tap

LINECOUNT to the total number of lines per tap

Focus Chip

**TAPLINE0=AD3L,
1,0**

**TAPLINE1=AD4L,
1,0**

TAPLINE2=

TAPLINE3=

SHP1=330

SHP2=340

SHD1=700

SHD2=710

Guide Chip

**TAPLINE0=AD1L,
1,0**

**TAPLINE1=AD2L,
1,0**

TAPLINE2=

TAPLINE3=

SHP1=330

SHP2=340

SHD1=700

SHD2=710

Science Chip

**TAPLINE0=AD5L,
1,0**

**TAPLINE1=AD6L,
1,0**

**TAPLINE2=AD7L,
1,0**

**TAPLINE3=AD8L,
1,0**

SHP1=33

SHP2=43

SHD1=76

SHD2=86

Then APPLY using **02APPLYCDS**

Requested Modifications

- **REQUESTED MODIFICATIONS TO THE WASP GUI**

- **DONE** Add an OBJECT keyword, and OBSERVER keywords with dialogs on the main panel
- **DONE** Add a number of repeats for the script
- **DONE** If possible add a number for exposures (i.e. set up so you can do N exposures)
- **DONE** add a PAUSE command in the Script Execution System
- **DONE** Check where and how the photometry records are saved to disk. May need to add an export command
- **DONE** Can you make separate tables and graphs for different filters for photometry?
- **DONE** The SExtractor control doesn't hide the control when closed but closes the program.
- **DONE** Create a new script location, set the location in the config file
- Make it impossible to move the shutter when the filter wheel is moving.
- Make it impossible to move the filter wheel when the shutter is moving
- Make it possible to display frames that are written to disk as multi-extension fits.

WASP Temperature Control Problem

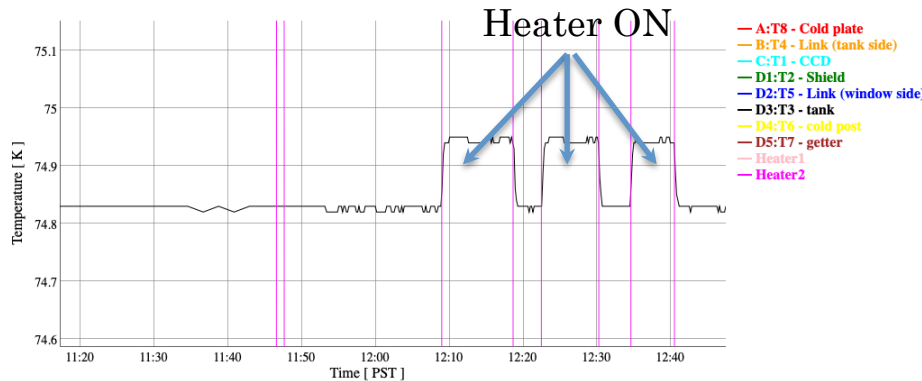
Confirmation that the heater banana plugs were connected incorrectly.

December 13, 2018

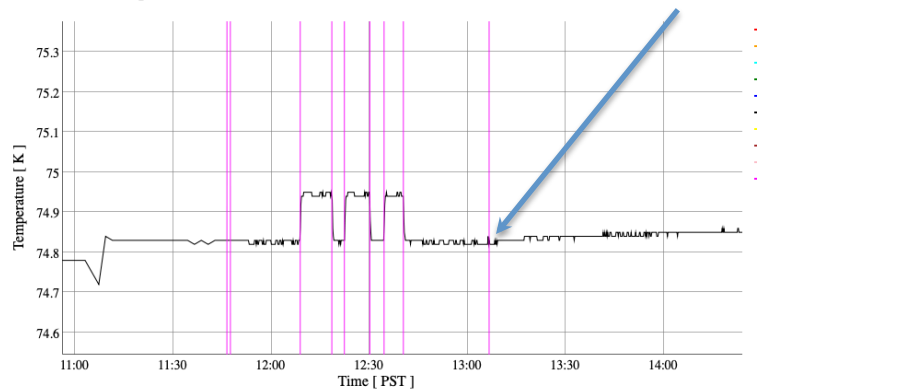
LN2 Tank response to Low Heater Power

New operating configuration:
after switching banana plugs

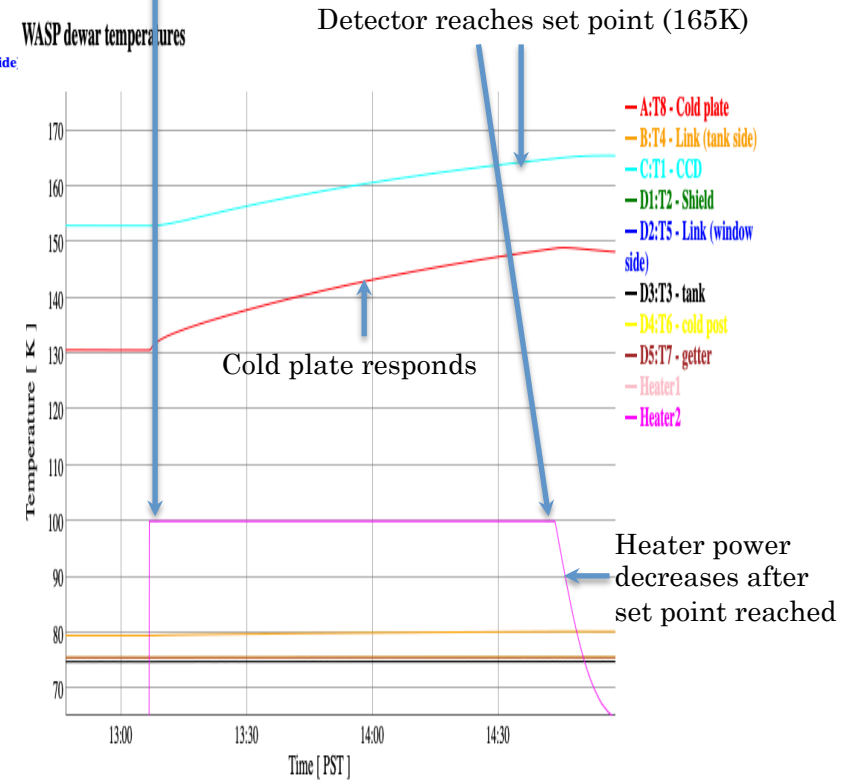
WASP dewar temperatures



WASP dewar temperatures



Heater turned ON



Experiment: Turn on heater in the original configuration and look at the LN2 tank temperature. Does the temperature of the LN2 tank change? (YES) Does the cold-plate temperature change? (NO) Switch the banana plugs and repeat the experiment. Does the cold-plate temperature change (YES) Does the LN2 tank temperature change? (NO)