Design Considerations for Monochromatic Imagers and Imaging Spectrographs

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#### SAR ARC (6300A) Millstone Hill



#### Low Latitude Airglow Depletions from El Leoncito Argentina



#### Mesospheric Gravity Waves (5577A)



#### Imaging Spectrograph (~5580A-7100A)



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#### Typical Imager Installation Arequipa (1994 – 2000)



#### Imaging Spectrographs Installed at Tromso( winter 2002-2003)



#### Optical path of an All Sky imager built at Boston University



#### **Collimating vs Telecentric Systems**



#### **Details of Collimating System**



#### Simple Field Lens

#### Field Lens with Field Flattener

#### Details of Collimating System (cont.)



#### **Details of Telecentric System**



#### Some Basic Characteristics of Interference Filters



#### Some Basic Characteristics of Interference Filters (cont.)



$$\lambda = \lambda_{\max} \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{n_o}{n_e} \right)^2 \sin^2 \phi \right]$$

# Design Choices

 How does the size of the detector, the choice of the front objective lens, and the size of the filter affect the sensitivity of the complete system?.....OR......

# Does Size Matter?

### Design Choices (cont.) A few terms to be familiar with:

- F ratio or F number (F/) = Focal Length/ Diameter
- Angle-aperture product or Grasp
- Chromatic aberration (focus shift with wavelength)
- Astigmatism
- Field curvature
- Back focal length

- Consider two systems:
- System1:
- 16mm fl F/2.8 fisheye (40mm dia. image)
- 1k by 1k, 24 micron pixel CCD
- System2:
- 8mm fl f/2.8 fisheye (23mm dia. Image) 1k by 1k 13 micron pixel CCD

- In both systems the images from the fisheye lenses are reimaged to just fit onto the CCDs.
- In both systems the angular size of the pixels are the same when projected onto the sky.
- In System 1 and System 2 the F/ of re-imaging lens will be ~F/1.64
- However, System 1 has an aperture of 16mm/2.8 = 5.7mm while System 2, has an aperture of 8mm/2.8 = 2.8 which is 2 times smaller (0.25 in area) and therefore, 4 time less sensitive!

- What if the smaller chip is used with the larger fisheye?
- 40mm dia. Image has to be reduced to 13mm to fit
- F/ of the re-imaging lens has to be 13/40 x 2.8 or f/0.9
- Same sensitivity as previous example with larger chip

- What is the filter size and bandwidth needed in a collimating system?
- Angle at filter (and therefore bandwidth) is a function of size of image and the focal length of collimator
- Size of filter is a function of F/ and focal length of collimator
- Once filter diameter is fixed, all other parameters follow

- Choose 100mm dia. Filter
- Both systems need an F/2.8 100mm dia. Collimator FL=280mm
- Max angle for system 1= arctan(20/280)= 4.1 deg. Minimum filter bandwidth = 12A or so
- Max angle for system 2 = arctan(12/280)= 2.5 deg. Minimum filter bandwidth = 4A or so (this filter is beyond the state of the art and would be prohibitively expensive!)

 If collimator in system 2 is reduced to 50mm dia. and 140mm FL, the angles are the same as system 1 and the filter can be 50mm dia. 12A FWHP (much less expensive!) Remember system 2 is 4 times less sensitive than system 1.

 If 75mm dia. filters are used in system 1 the angle at the filter would increase to 5.4 deg. and the FWHP to 18A or so.

- Telecentric systems have filters the same size as the image.
- Typical 24mm fl F/4 system uses 20A HPFW filters
- "grasp" is similar to system 1 above

#### **Imaging Spectrograph Schematics**





#### "COTIF" SPECTROGRAPH



#### Parameters for COTIF Spectrographs

ANGLE OF INCIDENCE = -11.0 BLAZE ANGLE = 11.5 ANGLE BETWEEN THE INCIDENT AND THE EXIT BEAM = 45.0 LINE DENSITY = 600.0 lines/mm DIFFRACTION ANGLE RANGE = 8.0

ORDER	MIN	MAX	DISP (A/DEG)	DISP (A/pix)	OCURRENCE
1	5153.2	7080.9	240.9615	1.8825	4
2	2576.6	3540.4	120.4807	0.9413	0

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#### **Grating Equation**

For reflection Gratings:

### $m\lambda = d(sin\beta' + sin\beta)$

For Grisms:

### $m\lambda = d(n-1)(sin\beta' + sin\beta)$

#### Slit Curvature $m\lambda = d (sin\beta' + sin\beta) (cos\alpha)$



FIGURE 5.7(b). Radiation at oblique incidence from a straight slit. Mercator projection of the unit sphere, showing the formation of a parabolic image of the slit.

#### COTIF Spectra from Cornish Maine



#### **HITIES Schematic**







Figure 4



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