

Plan May 26 (May 27 UT).

Purpose: Perform validation of Laurent's r_0 (and L_0 ?) estimation by simultaneous comparison of NIRC2 images (TT only), Mauna Kea facility MASS-DIMM, Keck's AO seeing estimate (Matthias Schoeck's closed loop methods) and Laurent's estimate.

Needed:

- MK Facility MASS-DIMM data, see <http://mkwc.ifa.hawaii.edu/current/seeing/>
- Keck AO seeing estimate (r_0 , L_0) normally off, turn on IDL tool and log results (Shui)
- TT tilt only NIRC 2 star images, sanity check of all algorithms and MASS-DIMM
- Keck wavefront controller data (NGWFC telemetry), see details below

Astronomy program: Observations of asteroids for size, rotation and companions

Al and his observing team will cycle between observations of asteroid targets with occasional departures to measure NGS for PSF estimation/calibration. NGS stars will be observed in K-prime filter or if seeing is excellent possibly H band. Calibration star magnitudes are bright, typically between 9-12 (V?) band. Al only has a half night for observations. At this time of the year (summer solstice in June), he will only have about 3 hours of observation. He anticipates getting between 2 to 4 PSF stars observations during the night.

Seeing estimate program piggybacked on Al's astronomy

At the start of the night:

- 1) Check Maun Kea Facility MASS-DIMM is running
- 2) During AO checkout (~12 degree twilight) turn on AO seeing tool logging
- 3) Start TRS recorder (I think this is automatic)
 - a. DM voltages
 - b. Tip Tilt voltages
 - c. loop gains
 - d. WFS centroids
 - e. Other ?

At each PSF Star:

- 4) After acquisition, close only tip tilt loop, record NGS star images, exposure time might need to be increase as star will be spread out over many more pixels.
- 5) Close higher order AO loop record PSF star as normal.
- 6) Repeat 4-5 on next PSF star

At the end of the night

- 1) Save log of Keck AO seeing estimates (get procedure from Shui)

- 7) Save TRS data for half night to “permanent” storage (get procedure form Liz Chock)
- 8) Save Dark, Flats and NGS PSF FITS files from NIRC2
- 9) Save other AO information that is not part of TRS (list is only place holder)
 - a. AO reconstruction matrix (Bayesian inverse of poke matrix)
 - b. AO active subaperture maps (pupil registration, from this)
 - c. AO wavefront sensor centroid offset files (aka cog files)
 - d. DM flat map and offset map (good to have)
 - e. DM actuator influence function (offline)
- 10) Make a giant tar-ball of data, post to FTP site, or other