

Palomar Adaptive Optics Test Plan

Title	Laser optimization at zenith
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Time requested	-
Required conditions	-

Purpose

Perform any optimizations on the laser that can be done at zenith

Test procedure

1. Go to LGS mode
2. Move lgs_x to lgs position (92000)
3. Lock HOWFS on LGS
 - 3.1. Acquire laser on HOWFS
 - 3.2. Start Chopper
 - 3.2.1. Using terminal window on PC
 - 3.2.1.1. Set to external reference
 - 3.2.1.2. Set to run
 - 3.3. Take a background
 - 3.4. Lock UTT and DM
4. UTT gains
 - 4.1. With loops locked, note UTT residuals at UTT gains of 0.2, 0.4, 0.8, 1.6, 3.2
 - 4.2. Set gain to "optimal" gain
5. Chopper
 - 5.1. Check chopper settings
 - 5.1.1. Startup aomonitor in idl to check average counts
 - 5.1.2. Startup connection to delay generator (see setup procedure)
 - 5.1.3. Detune laser
 - 5.1.4. Increase delay on chopper (channel 3) to see no Rayleigh. Decrease the delay on the chopper to find the limit where Rayleigh is just visible.
 - 5.1.5. Retune laser
 - 5.1.6. Increase the delay to see maximum signal. Decrease the delay to find the limit where signal starts to drop off.
 - 5.1.7. Select a delay time between the two limits

Results and conclusions