

Palomar Adaptive Optics Test Plan

Title	Field-dependent LOWFS focus
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Time requested	30 minutes
Required conditions	Any

Purpose

Measure the focus as a function of field angle (aka. field curvature) at the LOWFS focus.

Previous analysis

Lab tests performed on 3/26/07 using the stimulus gave conflicting results. LOWFS focus offset from the HOWFS "sweet spot" to pixel (490,345) was +1.50 mm when using the white_x motor to offset the fiber, and -0.60 mm when using SSMs to offset.

Test procedure

1. Setup
 - 1.1. Center SSMs.
 - 1.2. Move LGS_X to LGS position.
 - 1.3. Set Acq to Video.
 - 1.4. Set LOWFS framerate to 500 Hz. (or optimum)
 - 1.5. Set ttm_integral_gain to something reasonable.
2. Acquire a bright (V~10.0) star near zenith. Center on HOWFS sweet spot: (282,262)
3. Acquire star with LOWFS.
 - 3.1. Send LOWFS to star position.
 - 3.2. Offset to sky and take a LOWFS background.
 - 3.3. Return to star and zero LOWFS centroids.
 - 3.4. Close TTM loop.
 - 3.5. Record average LOWFS focus.
4. Offset telescope and reacquire star
 - 4.1. Open TTM loop.
 - 4.2. Set Acq to Video.
 - 4.3. Offset the telescope 20" West.
 - 4.4. Repeat steps 3.1-3.5
5. Repeat step 4 at 20" intervals over entire field.
6. Return to center and take a final focus measurement.

Results and conclusions

X offset (")	Y offset (")	X (pix)	Y (pix)	LOWFS focus
0.0	0.0			