# Phase-3 IRC data & imaging pipeline

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### Part 1: Phase3 IRC data

#### • Differences from the Phase 1&2

- Observation sequence
  - Now it takes 10 dark images
- Data quality
  - PSF
  - Sensitivity
  - Linearity, Saturation limits

#### Observation sequence in Phase3



#### Exposure time (Long&Short) is same as in Phase1&2



#### Observation sequence: differences from P1&2



- Take 5 dark images BEFORE observing a target.
- Take 5 another dark images AFTER observing a target.

In total, 10 dark images are taken in 1 pointing. (cf.only 2 NIR dark images were taken in P1&2)



- The IRC FITS data is not a usual 2D one. A raw data FITS file is created for each Exposure Cycle during a pointing for the NIR channel. (1 NIR FITS file per Exposure Cycle). The filename format is given as F\*\*\*\* N.fits, where \*\*\*\*\* is a distinct incremental reference number.
- A NIR raw fits file is a data cube containing 2 image within it, corresponding to one short and one long exposure.

#### Data quality (1) Broad overview



The same field observed in Phase3



PSF and Saturation limits get worse. Image gets noisy

#### Data quality (2) PSF: slightly get worse



#### Data quality (3) No. of Hot pixels: Increased

Dark image in Phase1&2 Dark image in Phase3



Number of hotpixels -> Significantly increased.

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#### Data quality (4) Sensitivity: get worse by 0.7



- Compared the aperture photometry fluxes of the same star.
- Assuming that the system throughput has not changed.

### Data quality (5) Dynamic Range: get 1/6

- Dynamic range get narrow
  - 12000 ADU -> 2000 ADU
  - get 1/6
- Saturation Limit get worse
  - About 9 mJy at N3@Long
  - Cf. about 30 mJy in Phase1&2
- Detector linearity
  - measured with in-flight data taken in PV2 phase.
    - Take calibration lamp image with increasing range of integration time
  - after the correction, the deviation from the ideal linear curve is better than  $\pm 5\%$  at the DN of 2000



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#### Data quality (6) Flats: don't look good



N2, N3, and N4 flat images from left to the right. Displayed level: 0.95-1.05



- Flat field images
  - Made with all imaging data obtained so far in phase3
    - Will be updated in future, by using more data.

#### Data quality (7) Short frame: Exp time ????

- Those who use
  - AOTZ0 and AOTZ4

should not use short exposure data. (at now)

Their Tlong / Tshort ratio is not understood yet.

#### **System stability**



- We monitor several stars in the CVZ
  - Using data taken in the period from Apr to Oct.
    2008
    - Data provided by Dr. T. Tanabe



#### Summary



- Analyses of phase-3 N3 image showed that
  - PSF: slightly gets worse
  - Sensitivity: gets worse by 0.7
  - Saturation limits: gets worse
    - 30 mJy -> 9 mJy @N3, long exposure
- N2 and N4 will be analyzed, although we do not expect match dependency on wavelength.
- Calibration constants (ADU -> Jy) are not supplied yet.

# Part 2: imaging pipeline for Phase3

- Requirements
- Changes from the previous version

#### Requirements

- Unix (Linux, BSD, OSX, Solaris)
- Perl
- GCC3.0 or later
- IRAF version 2.12.2a
  - Does not work on IRAF 2.14.
  - May work on IRAF 2.14.1 (Not fully tested).

## Changes from the previous version.



- Not significantly changed
  - Only but important change: Handling of DARK.
  - Now self-dark is always used.
    - Cf. With phase1&2 pipeline, super-dark was always used for NIR data, because there were only 2 darks.
    - In phase3, we have in total 10 independent dark images in a pointing opportunity. These dark images are combined to make a self-dark image, and then it is subtracted from each object image.
- No change in usage, nor structure of the pipeline