Focal Plane Layout with Fixed Filters





Step and Stare and Rotation







New Technology CCD's



- New kind of CCD developed at LBNL
- Better overall response than more costly "thinned" devices in use
- High-purity silicon has better radiation tolerance for space applications
- CCD's can be abutted on all four sides enabling very large mosaic arrays
- Measured Quantum Efficiency at Lick Observatory (R. Stover):



LBNL CCD's at NOAO





Science studies to date at NOAO using LBNL CCD's:

- 1) Near-earth asteroids
- 2) Seyfert galaxy black holes
- 3) LBNL Supernova cosmology



Blue is H-alpha Green is SIII 9532Å Red is Hell 10124Å.

Cover picture taken at WIYN 3.5m with LBNL 2048 x 2048 CCD (Dumbbell Nebula, NGC 6853)

See September 2001 newsletter at http://www.noao.edu

Integral Field Unit Spectrograph



- Integral field unit based on an imager slicer- Data cube.
- Input aperture is 3" x 3" reduces pointing accuracy req.
- Simultaneous SNe and host galaxy spectra.
- Internal beam split to visible and NIR: 3500-17000Å.



What makes the SN measurement special? Control of systematic uncertainties



At every moment in the explosion event, each individual supernova is "sending" us a rich stream of information about its internal physical state.



Lightcurve & Peak Brightness

Science Reach



SNAP parameters from 2000 supernovae including systematics

	s(W _M)	s(W _w)	s(w)	s(w´)
w=-1	0.02	0.04		
w=-1; flat		0.01		
w=const; flat		0.02	0.08	
flat; Ω_{M} known; w=const			0.03	
flat; Ω_{M} known; w(z)=w ₀ +w	N [´] Z		0.06	0.19

Key Cosmological Studies

- Type II supernovae
- Weak lensing
- Strong lensing
- Galaxy clustering
- Structure evolution
- Star formation / reionization

SNAP: The Third Generation





mass density

From Ground to Space





Deep SN surveys represent a major advance in understanding dark energy SNAP Cosmology Fitting Working Group



Time variation w' is a critical clue to fundamental physics.

- Deep surveys of galaxies and SN to z>1
- Large scale structure formation
- CMB constraints from $z_{lss} = 1100$

New parametrization

 $w(a) = w_0 + w_a (1 - a)$

Linder 2002 PRL; astro-ph/0208512

- Model independent, 2D phase space
- Well behaved at high z
- More accurate reconstruction
- More sensitive to data!

Evolving Equation of State





 $w(a) = w_0 + w_a(1-a)$

Accurate to 3% in EOS back to z=1.7 (vs. 27% for w_1). Accurate to 0.2% in distance back to $z_{lss}=1100$!

SN + CMB Complementarity





SNAP tightly constrains dark energy models.

SNAP+Planck have excellent complementarity, equal to a prior $s(W_M)$ £0.01.

Frieman, Huterer, Linder, & Turner 2002

SNAP+Planck can detect time variation w´ at 99% cl (e.g. SUGRA).

Expansion History of the Universe





SNAP will map the expansion history, uncovering physics just like the thermal history revealed early universe physics.

Density History of the Universe



SNAP

Present Day Inflation





SNAP will map the expansion history precisely and see the transition from acceleration to deceleration.

Beyond Dark Energy





Primary Science Mission Includes...

Requiring complementary measurements of cosmological parameters, Dark Matter, Dark Energy,...

Type Ia supernova calibrated candle: Hubble diagram to z = 1.7

Type II supernova expanding photosphere: Hubble diagram to z = 1 and beyond.

Weak lensing:

Direct measurements of P(k) vs z Mass selected cluster survey vs z

Strong lensing statistics: Ω_{Λ}

10x gains over ground based optical resolution, IR channels + depth.

Galaxy clustering:

 $W(\Theta)$ angular correlation vs redshift from 0.5 to 3.0

Weak lensing galaxy shear observed from space vs. ground







Wide, Deep, Colorful



- 9000 times the area of Hubble Deep Field
- 15 sq.deg. to AB mag R=30 (scan 28, coadd 31)
- 300 sq.deg. to AB mag R=28
- 9 bands from 3500-17000Å
- Time domain survey
- Feed NGST, CELT (as Palomar 48" to 200", SDSS to 8-10m)
- Guest Survey program
 - Quasars to z=10

Galaxy morphology, evolution studies, merger rate to coadd m=31

Stellar populations, distributions, evolution

Epoch of reionization thru Gunn-Peterson effect

Low surface brightness galaxies in H² band, luminosity function

Ultraluminous infrared galaxies

Kuiper belt objects; Proper motion, transient, rare objects

SNAP and the Community



Resource Book on



Contributions from the Snowmass 2001 Workshop on the Future of Particle Physics



edited by Eric Linder Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory

APS/DPF meeting – April 2003

Dark Energy in the Next Generation (session U12) Kallosh & Linde Albrecht Seljak Jain Bernstein Linder Caldwell Haiman Tegmark

Resource for the Science Community

For Cosmologists

- Mapping the expansion history of the universe through the accelerating phase back into the decelerating epoch
- Precision determination of cosmological parameters

For Astronomers

- SNAP main survey will be 5000x larger (and as deep) than the biggest HST deep survey, the ACS survey
- Complementary to NGST: target selection for rare objects
- Can survey 300 sq. deg. in a year to J=28 (AB mag)
- Archive data distributed
- Guest Survey Program

Whole sky can be observed every few months

For Fundamental Physicists

- Exploring the nature of dark energy
- Testing higher dimension theories
- Testing alternate theories of gravitation







