SWIMS-IFU Development and engineering observation at Subaru telescope

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SWIMS

(Simultaneous-color Wide-field Infrared Multi-object Spectrograph)

Near-infrared Imager and spectrograph

For TAO 6.5 m telescope @ Chajnantor (5640 m), Atacama, Chile



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Also operated at Subaru telescope

- Engineering observations in 2018-2020
- Open-Use as a PI-type instrument in 2021-2022



SWIMS at Cassegrain focus of the Subaru telescope



SWIMS

(Simultaneous-color Wide-field Infrared Multi-object Spectrograph)

Two-color simultaneous observation

0.9-1.4 (Blue arm) / $1.4-2.5~\mu m$ (Red arm)

4 HAWAII-2RG detectors on each arm (Currently 2 detectors on each arm)

Wide field imaging

Φ9'.6 at TAO

 $6'.7 \times 3'.3$ at Subaru due to the number of detectors

Wide simultaneous wavelength coverage

0.9 – 2.5 µm simultaneous spectroscopy

 $\lambda/\Delta\lambda\sim 1000$

Multi-objects ~ 30 objects

Light from telescope f/12.2 Slit mask Storage Robotic arm П Filters Blue arm & Grism Dichroic mirror Red arm

Add integral field spectroscopy mode by developing image-slicer IFU

Basic Concept of SWIMS-IFU

Handle in the same way as slit masks

 \rightarrow Compact (< 235 × 170 × 55 mm³) and light in weight (< 1kg)

Specification

Larger FoV than existing NIR IFS instruments by optimizing for seeing limited observation \rightarrow More than twice the area of the FoV of VLT/ERIS(SINFONI) of 8" × 8"

Efficient observation of spatially extended object/area over the entire NIR wavelength

Field of View	13".5 × 10".4 (13".5 × 4".8)	
Slice Width x Number	0″.4 × 26 (12)	
Wavelength Coverage	0.9 – 2.5 μm	
λ/Δλ	Blue arm: 875 – 1500 Red arm: 750 – 1250	



Optics of SWIMS-IFU



Development using ultra-precision cutting

Ultra-precision cutting = Ultra-precision machine + Precise diamond tools

Simple assembly by monolithic fabrication & ultra-precision machined flat surfaces High-quality mirror surfaces: Roughness RMS < 10 nm, Shape error P-V < 300 nm



Completed SWIMS-IFU



Observations at Subaru telescope

First engineering observation (S22A)

Date	First-half night on Mar. 27, 2022
Weather	Clear
Engineering items	 Object acquisition Standard star (IFU imaging & spec. Globular cluster (IFU imaging)

Standard star at the center of FoV

Blue arm: 0.9 – 1.45µm



Second engineering observation & Open-Use observation (S22B)

Date	Dec. 2nd and 3rd, 2022
Weather	Mauna Loa eruption



Image quality

~ 0.5-0.6 arcsec including seeing (seeing=0.45-0.49 arcsec): As designed.



Throughput

Measured from dome flat data with and without SWIMS-IFU





Toward TAO 6.5 m telescope

Fix some problems

- Vignetting by PO1 lens \rightarrow Redesign enlarger optics 1.
- 2. Thermal stray light \rightarrow Minimize entrance aperture + modify pupil position Thermal stray light

Vignetting of FoV





Additional improvement to achieve better performance

- Better image quality \rightarrow Use aspherical surfaces 1.
- 2. Better throughput \rightarrow Change the mirror material and/or coating

Summary

SWIMS-IFU is an image-slicer type IFU with a larger FoV than existing NIR IFS instruments.

The optical design is compact and easy to assemble, which is realized using the ultra-precision cutting technique.

The SWIMS-IFU at the Subaru telescope has been completed and its performance was confirmed through engineering observations.

Development of a new SWIMS-IFU for the TAO 6.5 m telescope.

We would like to appreciate the support by Subaru telescope!!







