

NIRMOS

**: Near-Infrared Multiple
Object Spectrograph
for the GMT**

(Fabricant et al., 2012)

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Introduction

- Near-Infrared Multiple Object Spectrograph (NIRMOS)
- NIRMOS : 0.9 - 2.5 μ m imager/spectrograph concept for the GMT

Parameter	Requirement	Goal	Notes
Wavelength Range	1 – 2.5 μ m	0.9 – 2.5 μ m	Coverage of a full band in a single exposure
Spectral Resolution	$R \geq 1,500$	$R=5000$ with narrow slits	Baseline mode is expected to match GLAO image sizes
Multiplex Factor	> 100	-	For slit MOS mode
Field of View Slit MOS	20 arcmin ²	25 arcmin ²	
Field of View Imaging	5' x 5'	-	
Field of View Fiber MOS	Full 20' diameter field		Only expected to operate in the J & H bands
Image Quality	0.15" 80%EE	-	Don't degrade images from telescope/site by more than 5%
Velocity Stability	< 0.1	-	Flexure in units of spectral resolution element per hour
Throughput	$\geq 20\%$ at 2.2 μ m	$\geq 30\%$ at blaze peaks	Exclusive of slit losses, telescope and atmosphere

[Detailed requirements of the GMT project office]

Optical Design

- Use of **refractive** optics
 - 1. reflective optics
 - a. simple, achromatic nature
 - b. impossible for wide-field spectroscopic design & fast camera
 - 2. more feasible refractive optics
- Material
 - ; CaF₂, infrared fused quartz, S-TIM28 - only suited for large telescopes
- **Aspheric** surface
 - ; expensive, but better performance in scattered light and throughput
- Scattered light
 - 1. potential problems in IR spectroscopy
 - 2. sources - light scattered from gratings and detectors
 - 3. 3% of sky background in J Band & 8% of sky background in H Band
 - ; can be reduced by using VPH grating

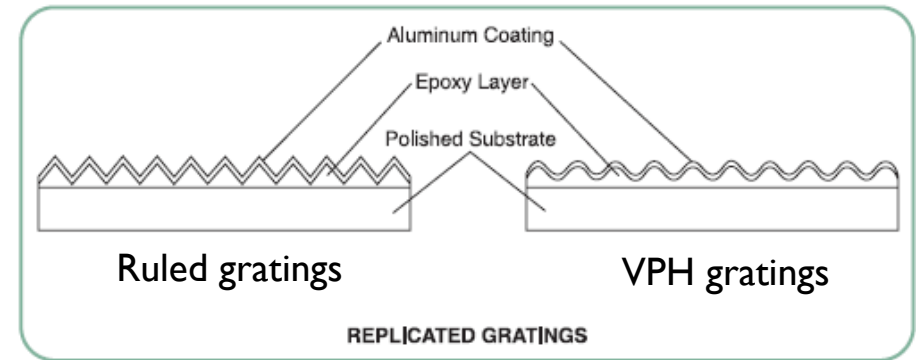
Optical Design

● Volume Phase Holographic(VPH) transmission gratings

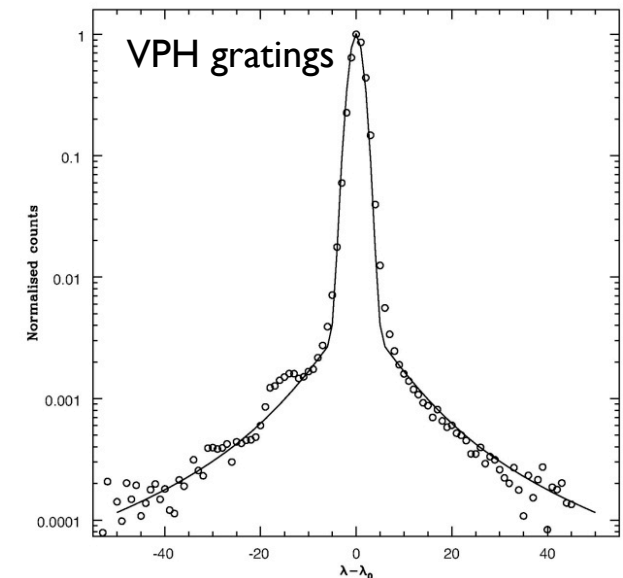
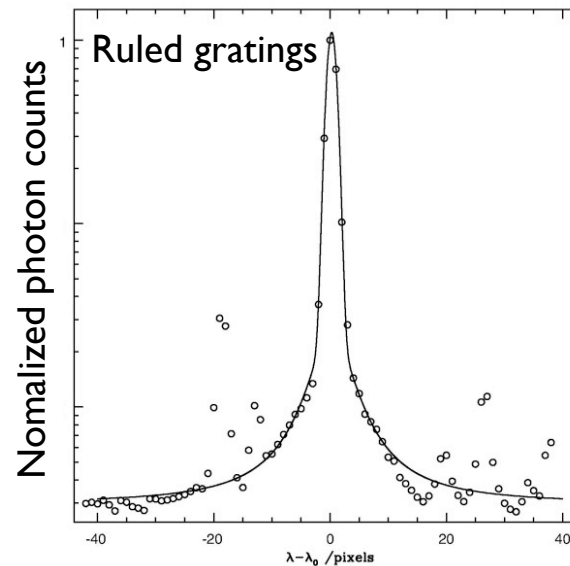
1. two transmission gratings
; ruled gratings, holographic gratings

2. cryogenic environment of NIRMOS
; holographic gratings

3. VPH gratings
a. higher efficiency
b. lower scattering



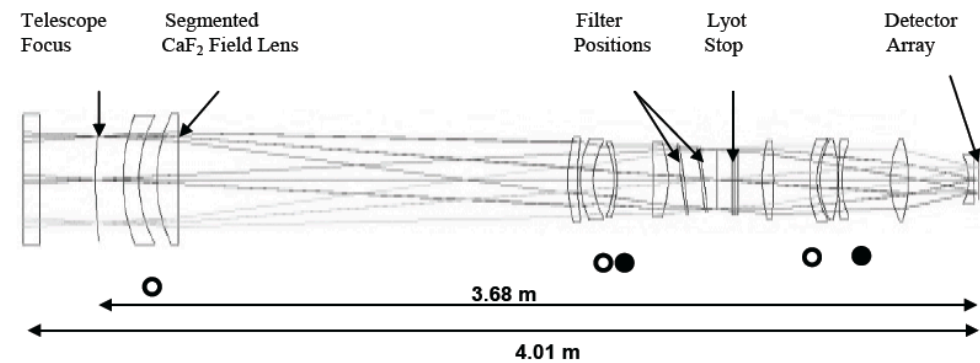
[Scattering profile]



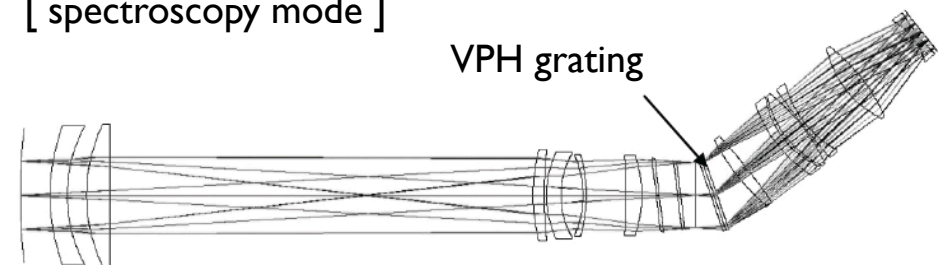
Optical Design

Parameter	Value
FOV	42 arcmin ⁻²
Multiplex Capability	~ 80 with 5 inches long slits
Scale at Detector	0.049 arcsec / pixel
Collimated Beam Diameter	270 mm
Collimator Focal Length	2200 mm
Camera Focal Length	665 mm
Camera Focal Ratio	f/2.4

[imaging mode]

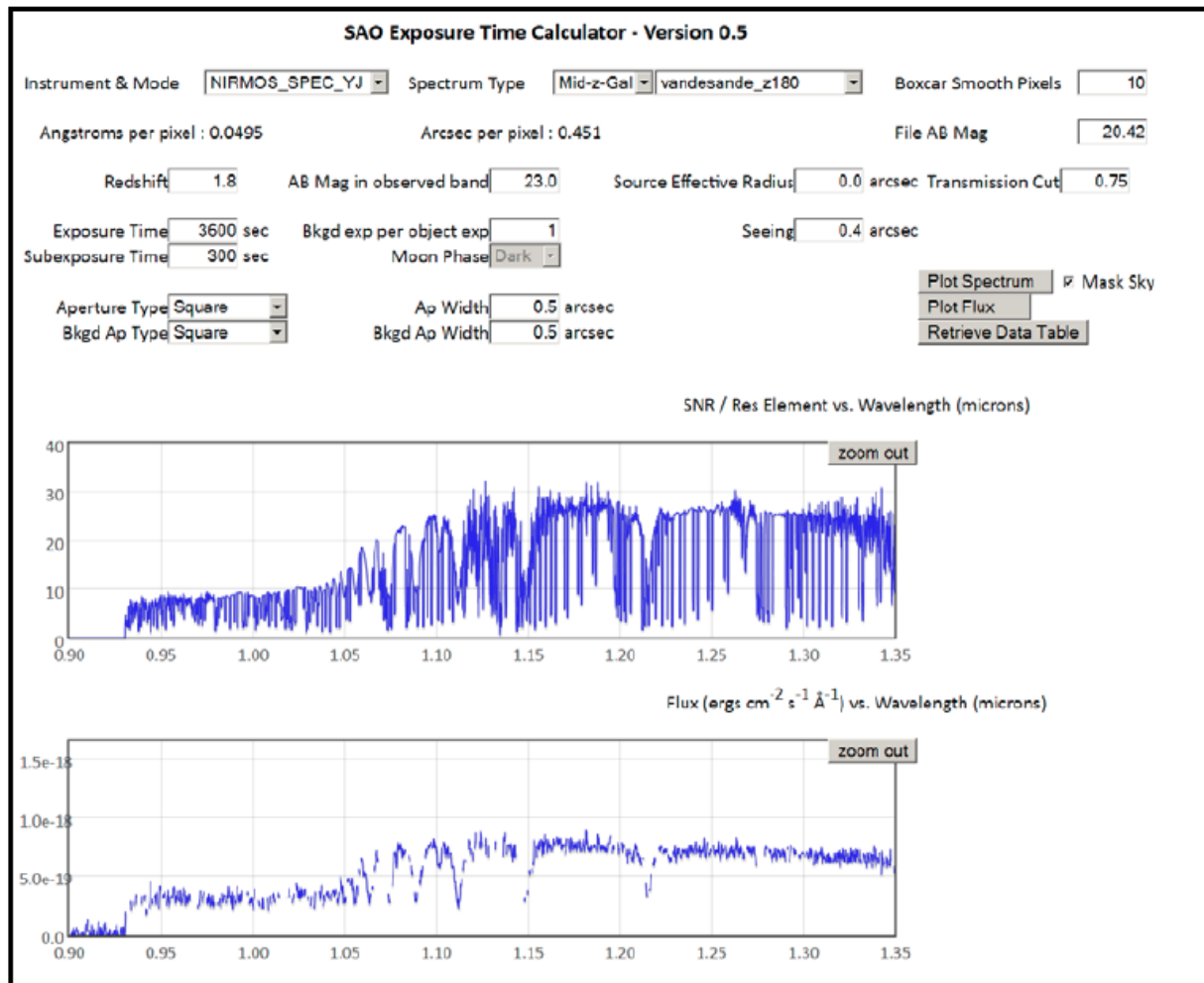


[spectroscopy mode]



Multiplex advantage & sensitivity

[NIRMOS exposure time calculator and spectral simulator]



Noise source

- atmospheric emission lines
- sky background
- dark current
- read noise

(<http://hopper.si.edu/saoetc/sao-etc>)

Multiplex advantage & sensitivity

[Galaxy counts with photometric $z>2$ from Chandra Deep Field South from Franx]

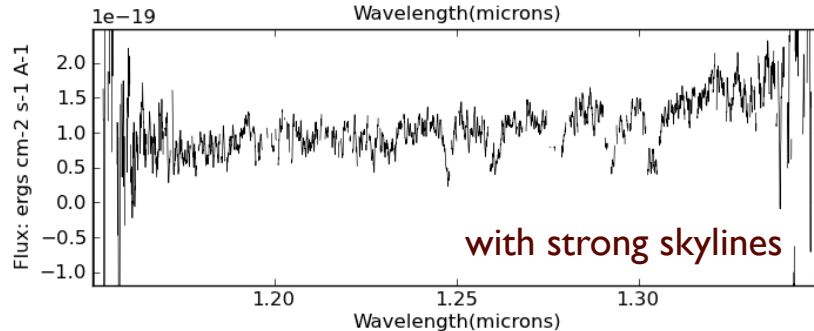
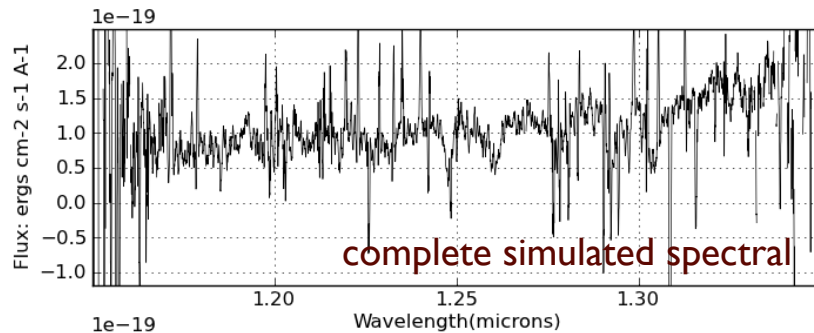
K_{AB}	$z>2$ galaxies per sq. arcmin	$z>2$ galaxies in 42 sq. arcmin. NIRMOS field
22.7	1.0	42
23	1.7	71
23.5	2.6	109

Multiplex Capability \sim **80** with 5 inches long slits

Simulated J band spectrum of $z=2.3$ galaxy

- $J_{AB}=24.6$ ($K_{AB}=23.5$)

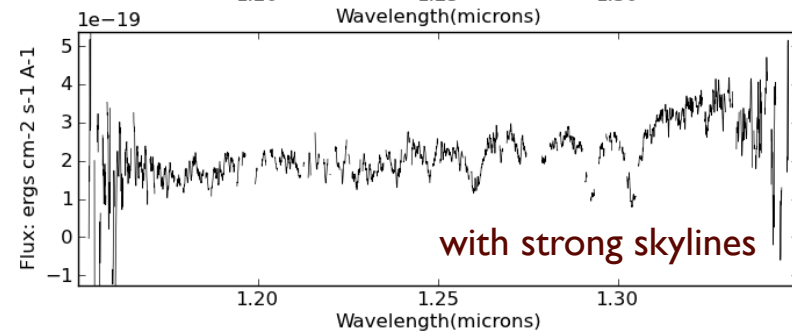
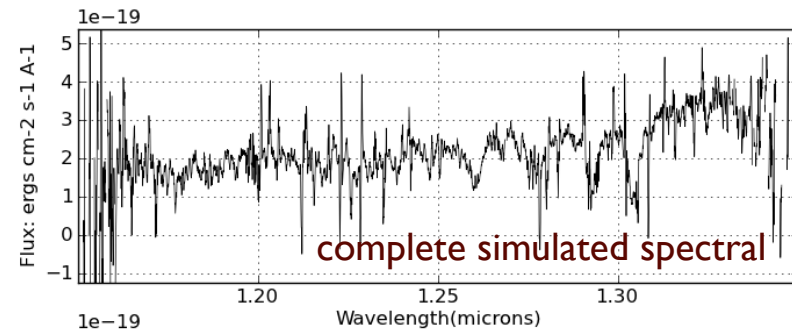
- four hours exposure time



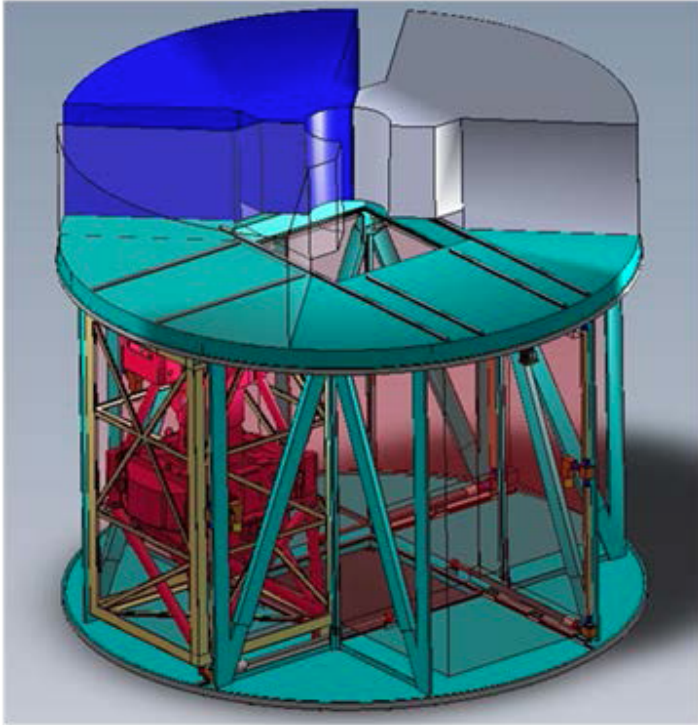
Simulated J band spectrum of $z=2.3$ galaxy

- $J_{AB}=23.8$ ($K_{AB}=22.7$)

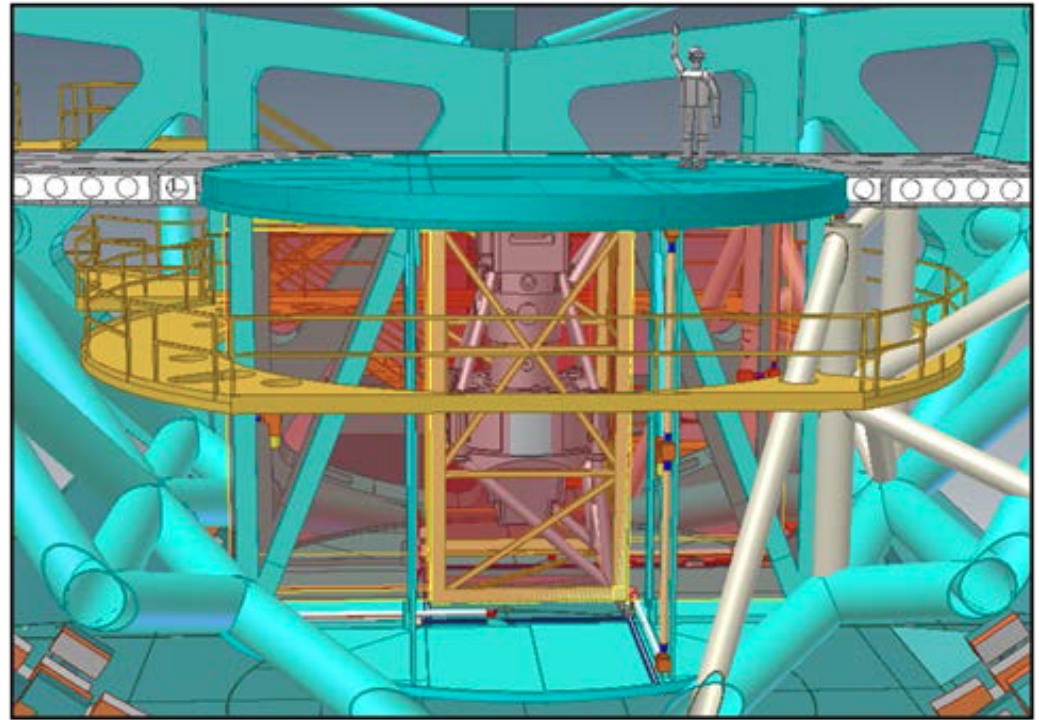
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Mechanical overview



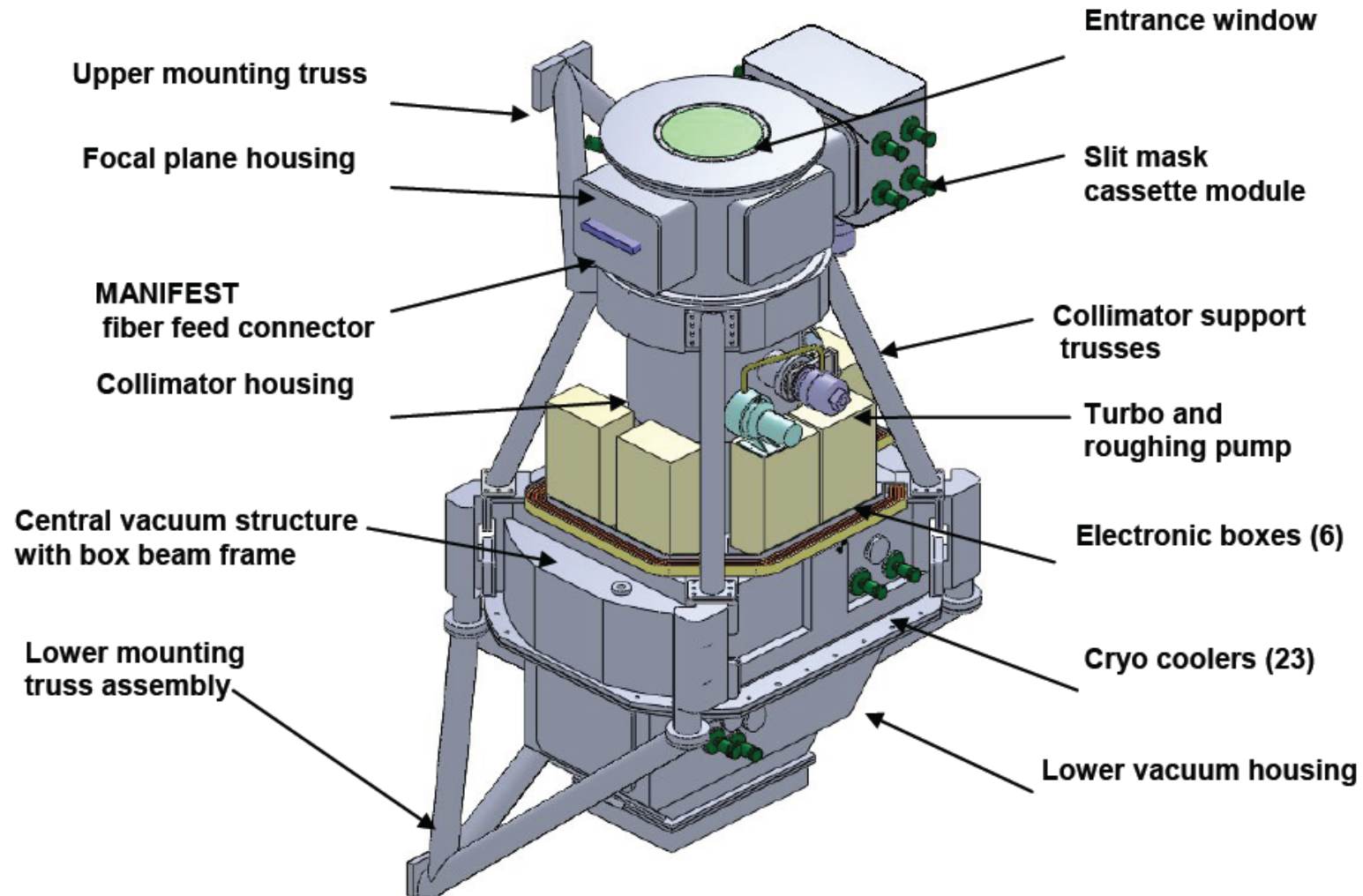
[NIRMOS within the rotating Gregorian Instrument Assembly (GIA)]



[GIA location within the instrument platform]

● NIRMOS : a large cryogenic instrument with a total mass of $\sim 9,000\text{kg}$

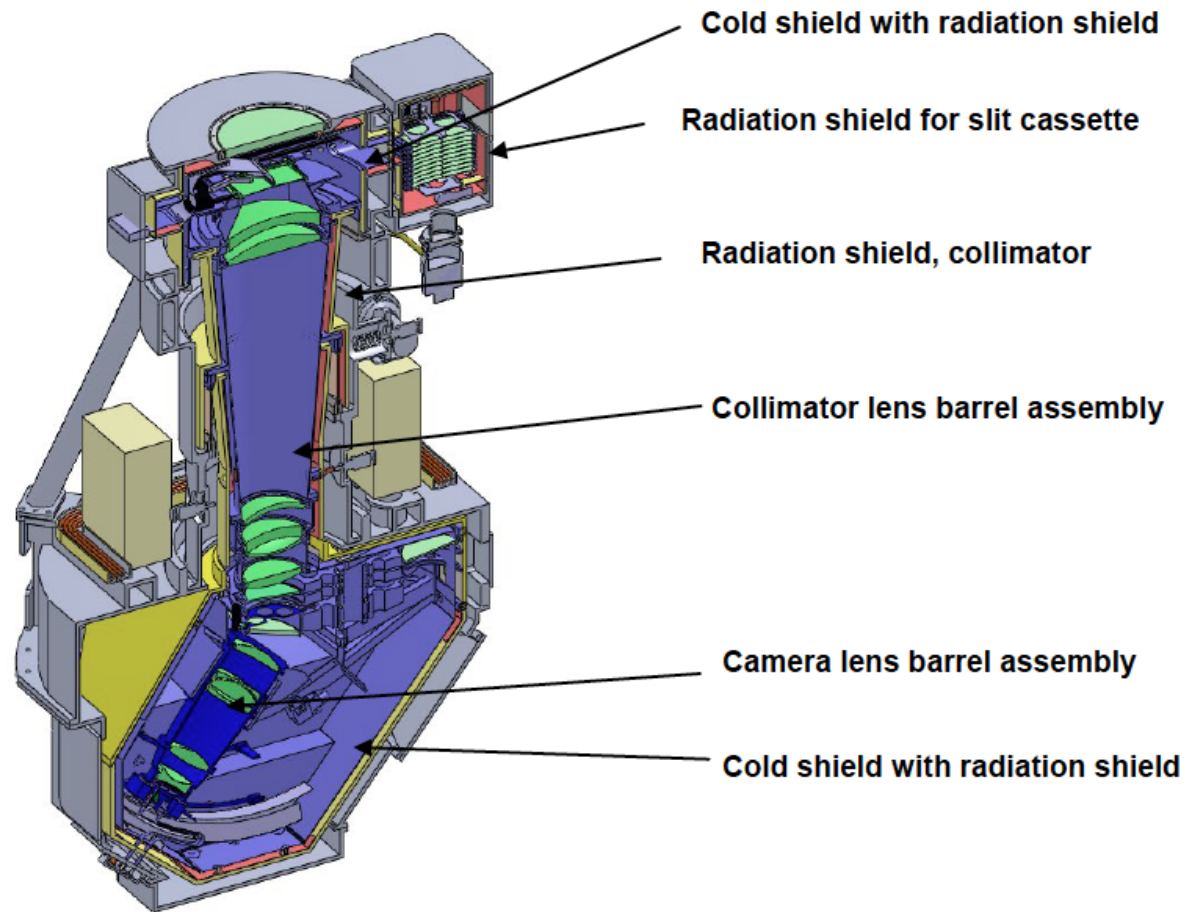
Mechanical overview



[External overview model of NIRMOS]

- The NIRMOS electronics boxes provide the mechanism control, cryogenic control, temperature control, vacuum control, detector support, etc.

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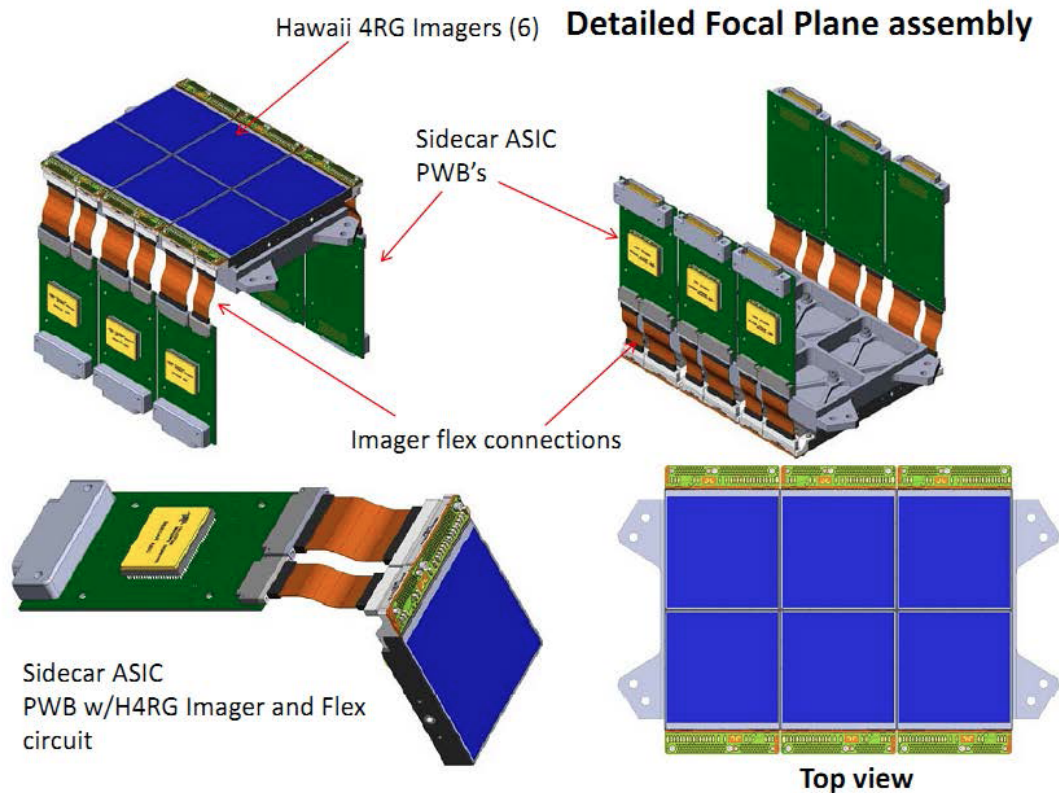


[Cross-sectional view of NIRMOS]

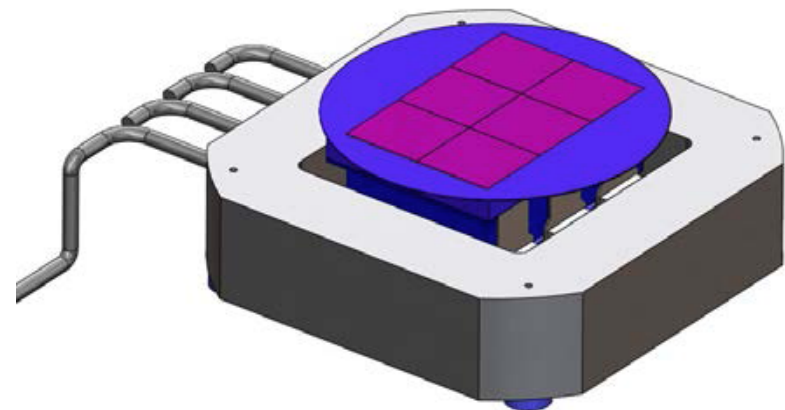
- The NIRMOS optics are completely baffled using cold shield.
→ the temperature of the optics is $\sim 120\text{K}$
- A radiation shield consists of 3 layers of gold coated Kapton.

Detector assembly and flexible control

[Detector assembly]



[Focal plane array of six HAWAII 4RG]



nano-positioning

- X & Y axes : 1mm

- Z axis : 1.5 mm

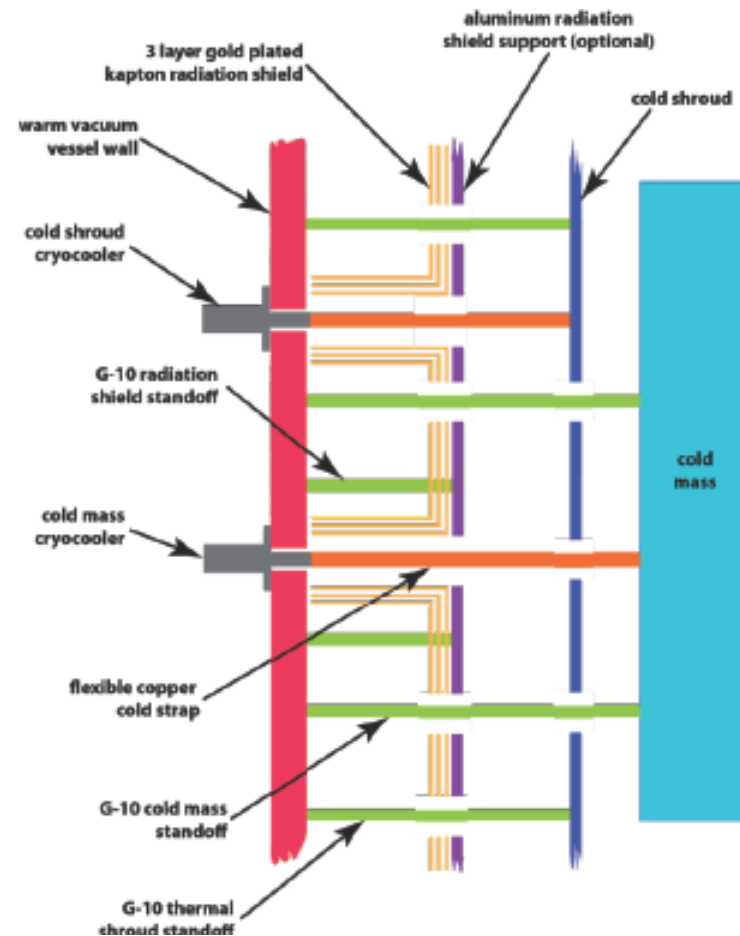
Maximum speed : 500 μ m/s

Thermal design

- Cryogenic temperatures : cooling 1,530 kg, toward 120 K

transient cool-down (293K \rightarrow 120K, 7days)

& warm-up (120K \rightarrow 293K, 5days)



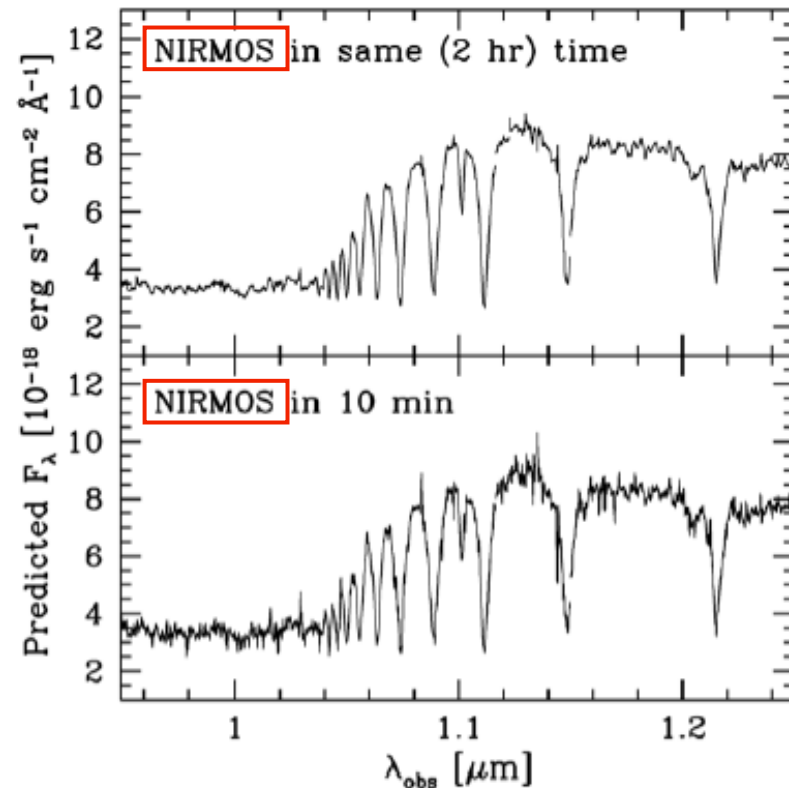
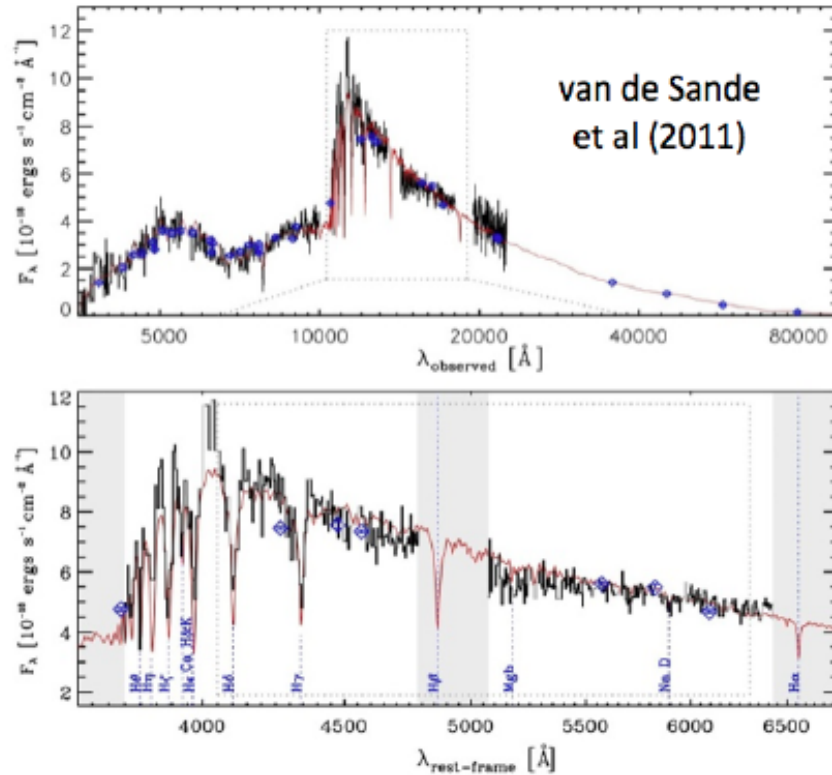
Discussion - GMT Science with NIRMOS

- The near-infrared(NIR) play a central role in the science programs for ELTs
 - 1) At $z \sim 2.5$ (the peak of the universal star formation), optical emission line tracers are shifted into the NIR.
 - 2) Spectroscopy of high- z sources is very important for the measurement of cosmic reionization.
 - a) Ly- α emission from the first galaxies at $z > 7$
 - b) the afterglows of gamma ray bursts at $z > 7$

Discussion - Dynamic masses

[Comparison between VLT XShooter spectra and NIRMOS simulated spectra]

$z=1.8$, $J_{AB}=19.9$ - 2 hr with VLT XShooter

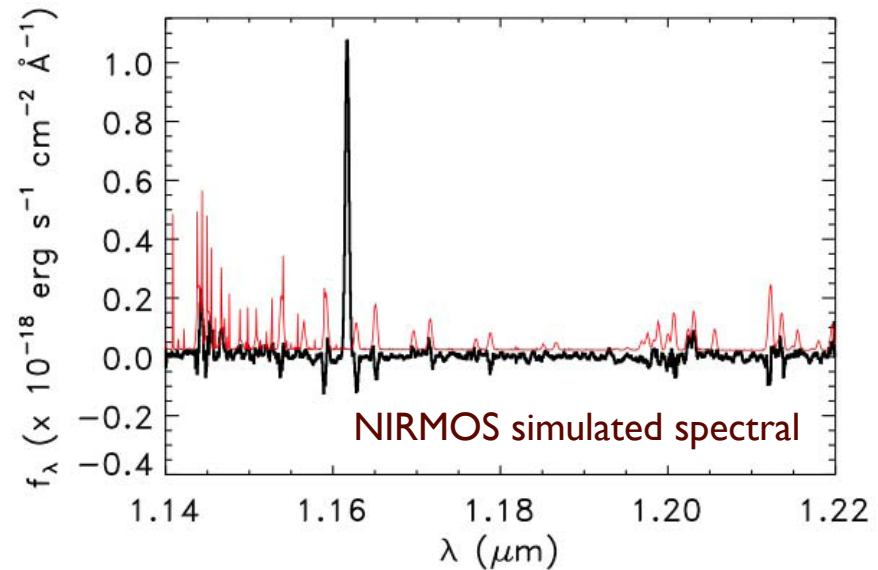
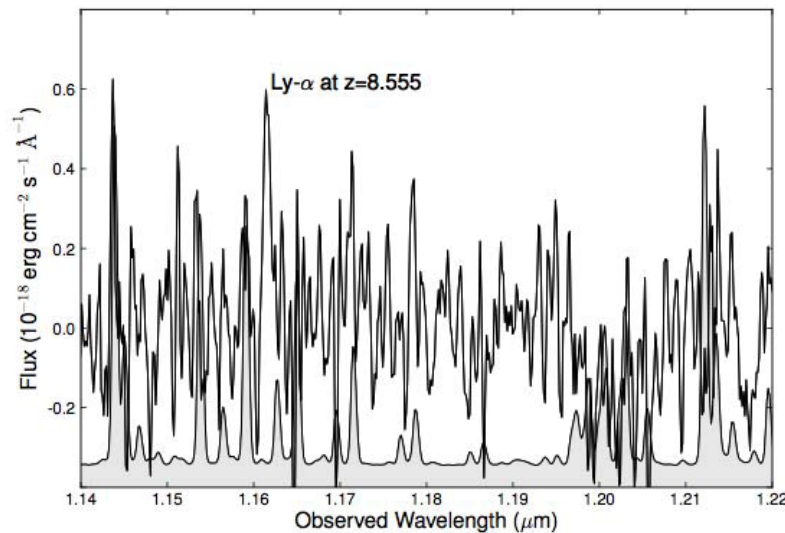


● The GMT+NIRMOS will allow the measurement with high confidence in massive galaxies, and the observation of L^* galaxies at $z \sim 2$.

Ref.) www.gmto.org/Resources/GMT-SCI-REF-00483_2_GMT_Science_Book.pdf)

Discussion - High redshift galaxies

[Comparison btw VLT/SINFONI spectrum of the $z=8.56$ galaxy and simulated spectrum]



- The GMT/NIRMOS will allow us to confirm the redshifts and high quality spectra of the brightest galaxies at $z>7$.
- It will be possible to obtain the UV luminosity function for high- z galaxies.

Thank you