

Kohyama Astronomical Observatory - Current Status -

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outline

- Kohyama Astronomical Observatory
- Two Color Imager
- Condition
- Observation



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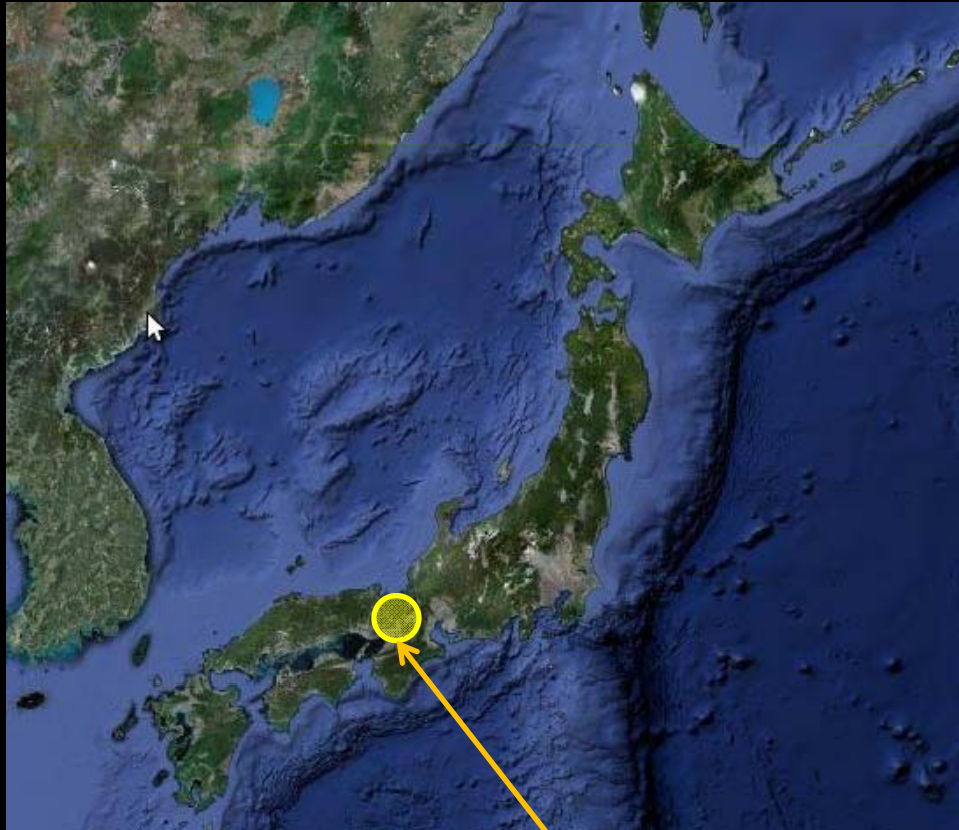
students & 3 secretaries

Kohyama Astronomical Observatory



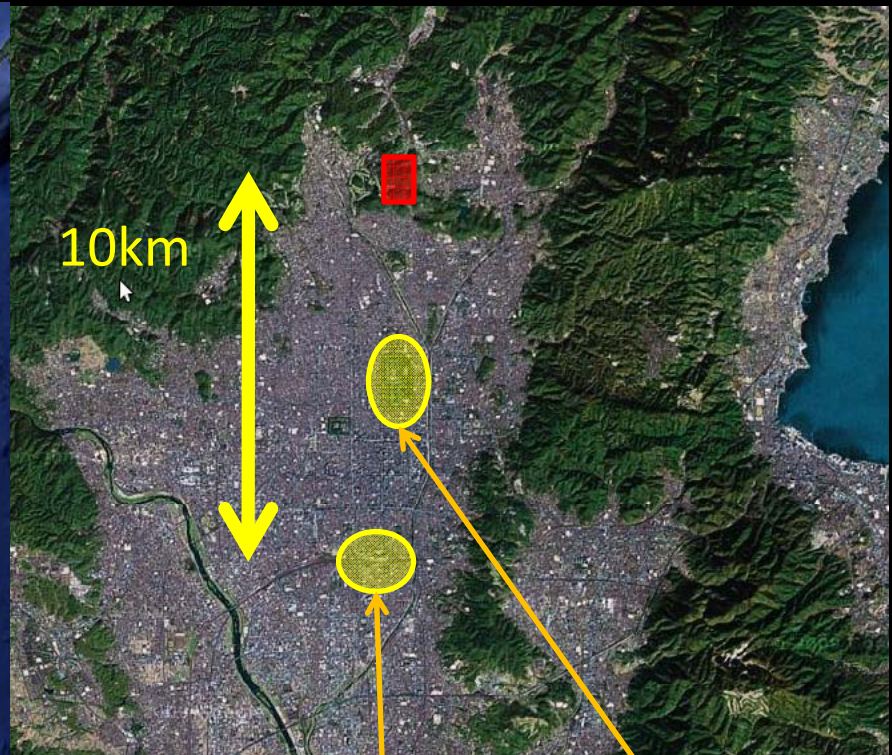
Location

Japan



Kyoto City

Kyoto City



10km



Kyoto Station

Kyoto Imperial Place

Purpose

1. Public Outreach

Star gazing, Public lectures etc.

2. Business

Designing optics, Consulting etc.

3. Research

Astronomy, Development etc.

(variables, microlensing, comets)

“ARAKI” Telescope

ARAKI telescope (1.3m)

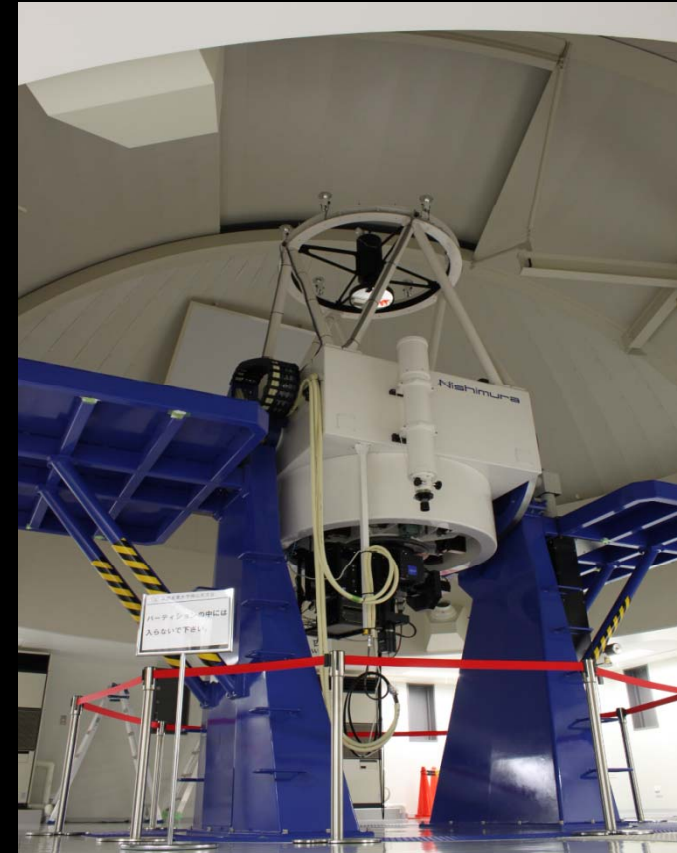
- Cassegrain
- Nasmyth (x2)

Optics: Ritchy-Chtr' tien

Mount: Alt-Azimuth

Pointing acc. : $\sim 3''$

Guiding acc. : $\sim 0.5'' / 5$ [min]



Telescope Time

We can use our telescope whenever we want



except...

- Open for public at night (1/week)
- Educational purpose (1/week)
=> even in this case, we can use tel.
from 20:00 (21:00 at the latest)
- Objects, alt. lower than 20[deg]

History

Dec., 2010 : construction completed
“eye balls observation” available

Apr., 2010 : open for public
regular operation starts

optical-spectrometer (R~500) available

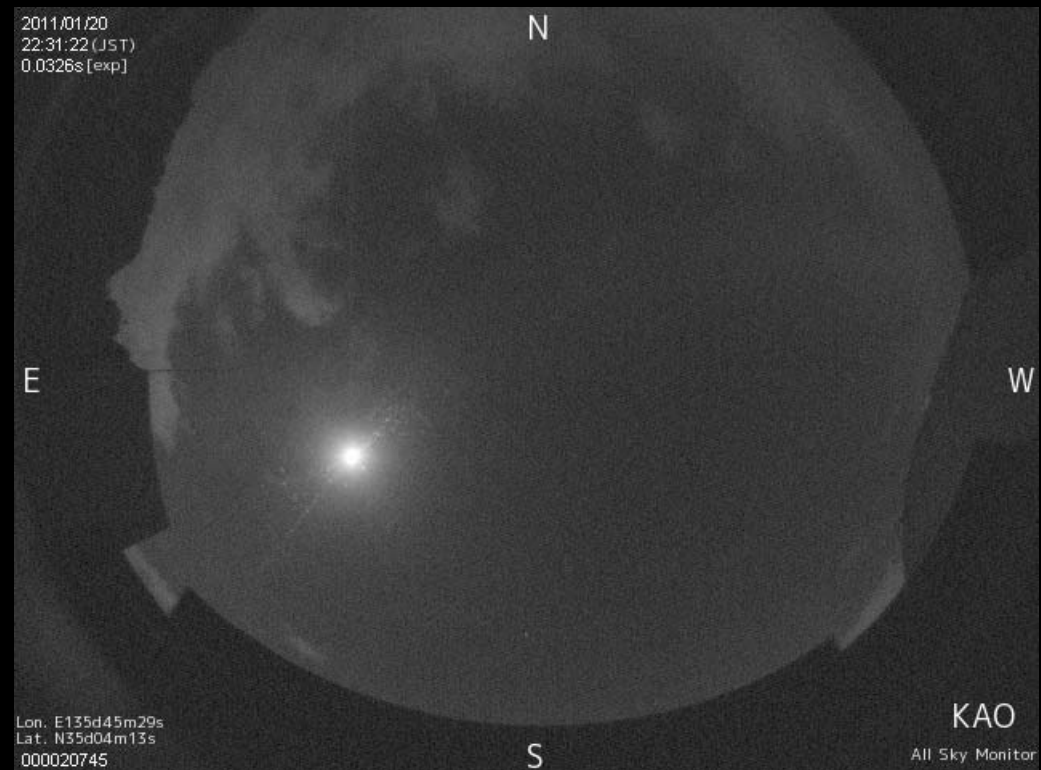
Sep., 2010 : two color imager available

Next ; polarimeter, NIR spectrometer

Sky Monitor Camera

Real-time weather condition on Web.

<http://www.cc.kyoto-su.ac.jp/~arai6a/skymon/skymon.html>



ADLER
- two color imager -



What's ADLER ?

Araki telescope DuaL band imagER
(Two Color Imager)

ADLER
||
“Eagle”
(in German)



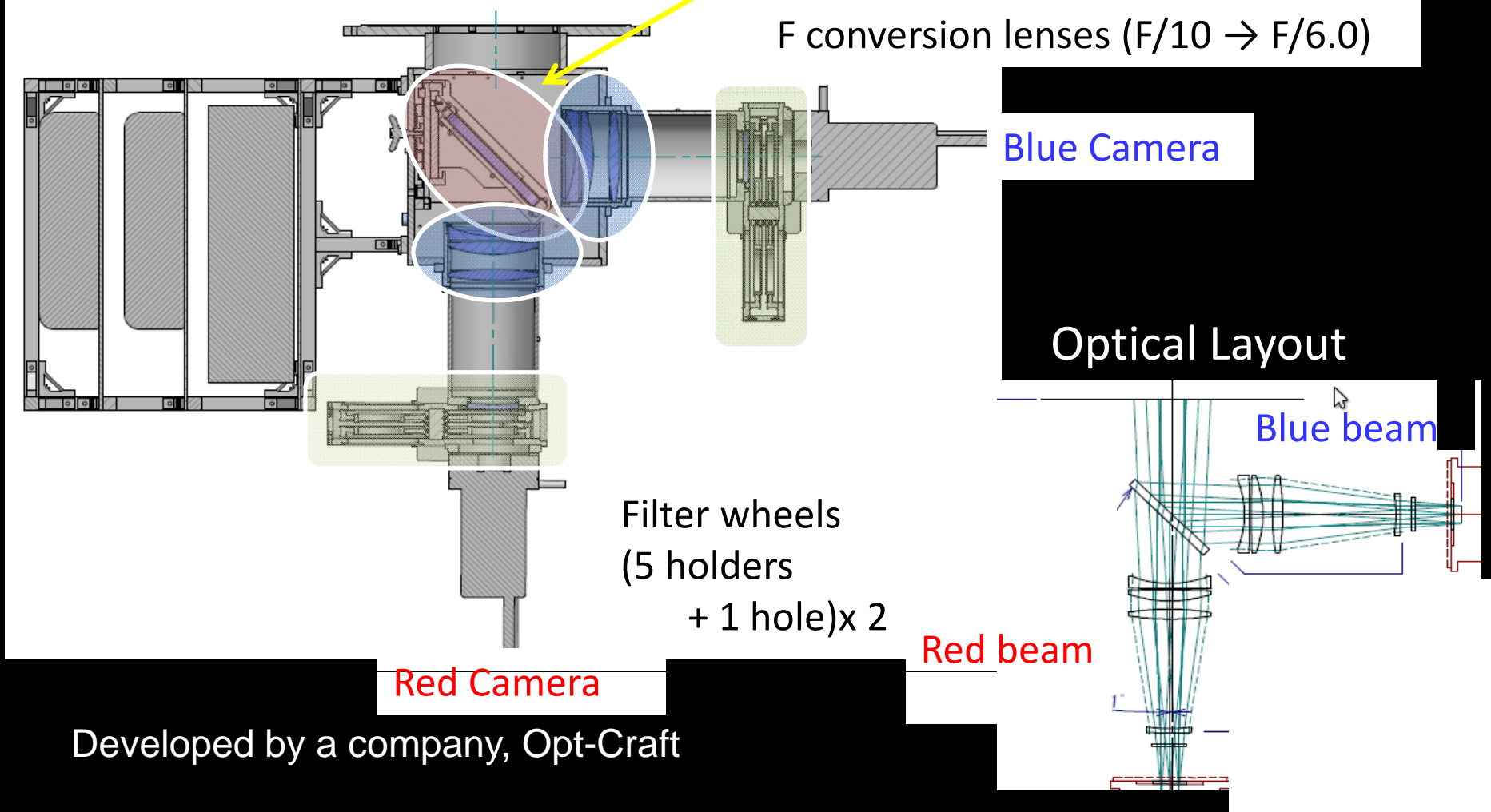
ADLER - design -

Design

at Cassegrain Focus

Dichroic mirrors
(2 holders, change by hand)

F conversion lenses (F/10 → F/6.0)



Blue Camera

Optical Layout

Blue beam

Filter wheels
(5 holders
+ 1 hole)x 2

Red beam

Red Camera

Developed by a company, Opt-Craft

ADLER - spec. -

- Wavelength coverage : 380 ~ 900 [nm]
(T/R change ~ 670 [nm], dichroic mirror)
- 2k x 2k CCD camera (x2)
(Spectral Instruments 850 series)
- Field of View: 12' \Rightarrow 0.357" / pixel
- ~ -90 °C (water chiled)
- Filters: SDSS-g' , l' , z
and some narrow band filters

Conditions



Weather Conditions

YEAR 2010:

fine weather fraction (rough estimation)

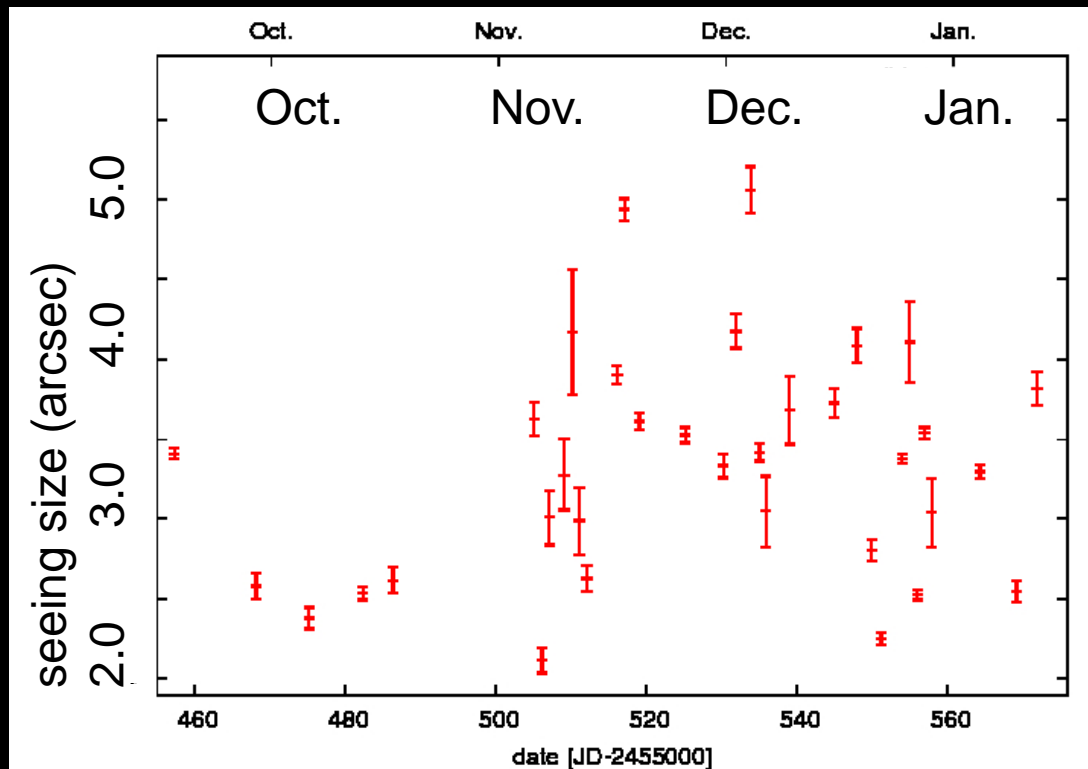
Month	(%)
Apr.	25
May	40
Jun.	30
Jul.	35
Aug.	30

Month	(%)
Sep.	50
Oct.	25
Nov.	50
Dec.	40

30 ~ 40 (%)

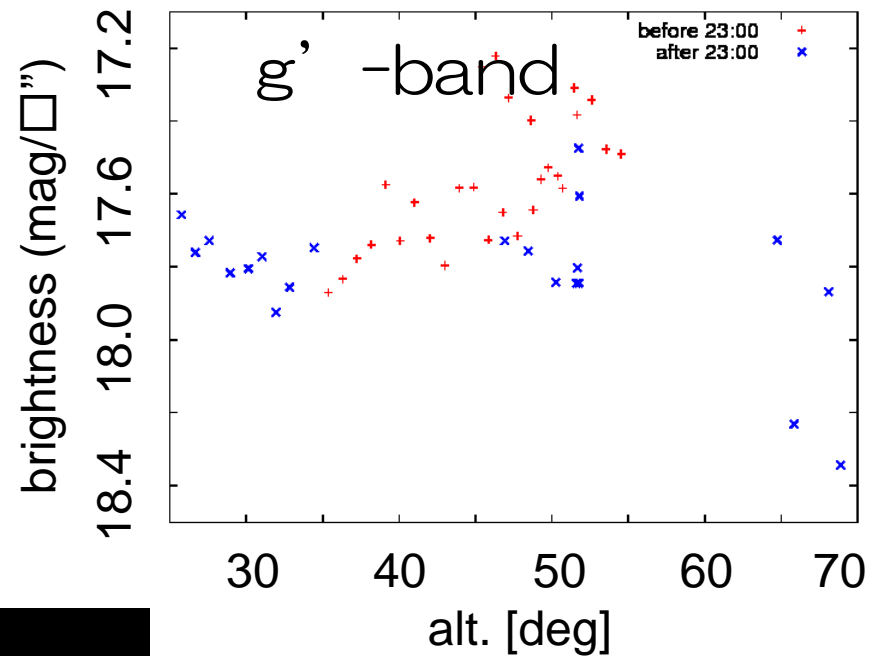
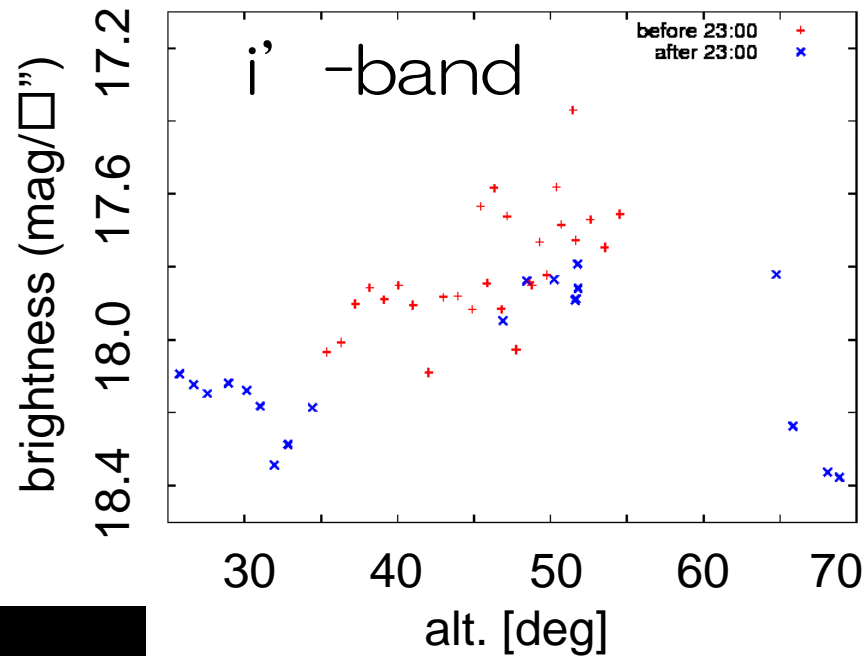
Seeing variation

3" ~ 4" seeing is normal, now
(until Oct., we have < 2" seeing)



i' -band
(alt. > 60°)

Sky Brightness

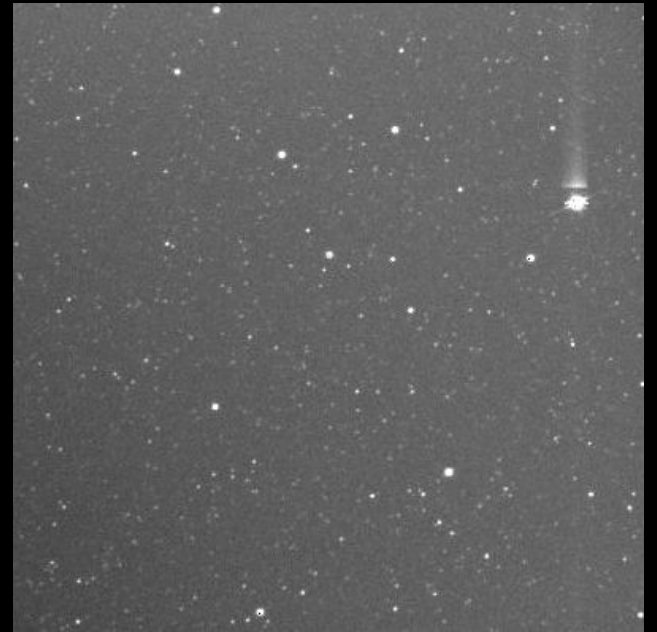


~ 18 [mag/□"],

(city lights, street lights inside Univ.)

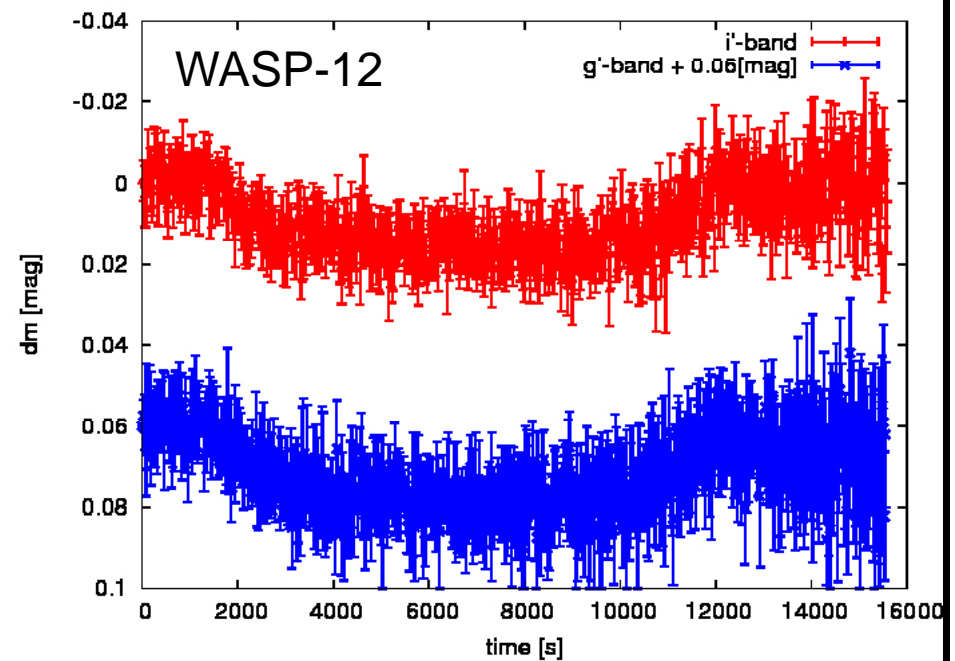
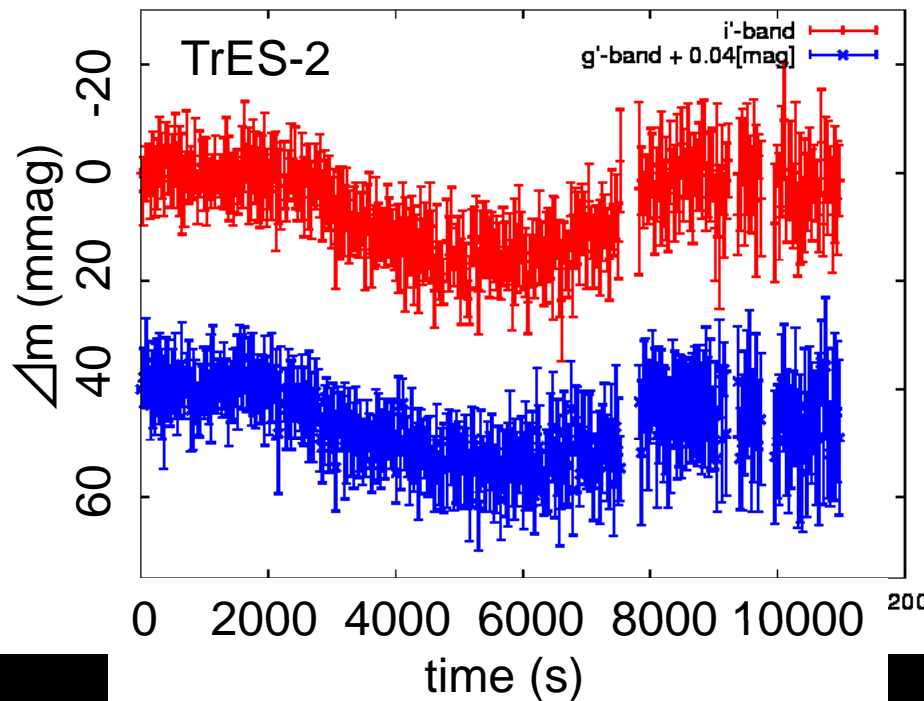
$m_{\text{lim}} \sim 19$ [mag] (3σ , 60[s], 3" seeing)

Observation



Observation (transits)

1%-level flux change is clearly detectable



aperture photometry
(relative photometry)

Observation (lens quasars)

Double Quasar ($\Delta \theta \sim 6''$)



12'

these data are taken by a student

Planned Observations

- Galactic Microlensing : exo-planet
=> follow-up observation
- Quasar Microlensing : accretion disk
=> monitoring observation
- other science (CVs, Comets)

We have just started!



Thank you for your attention