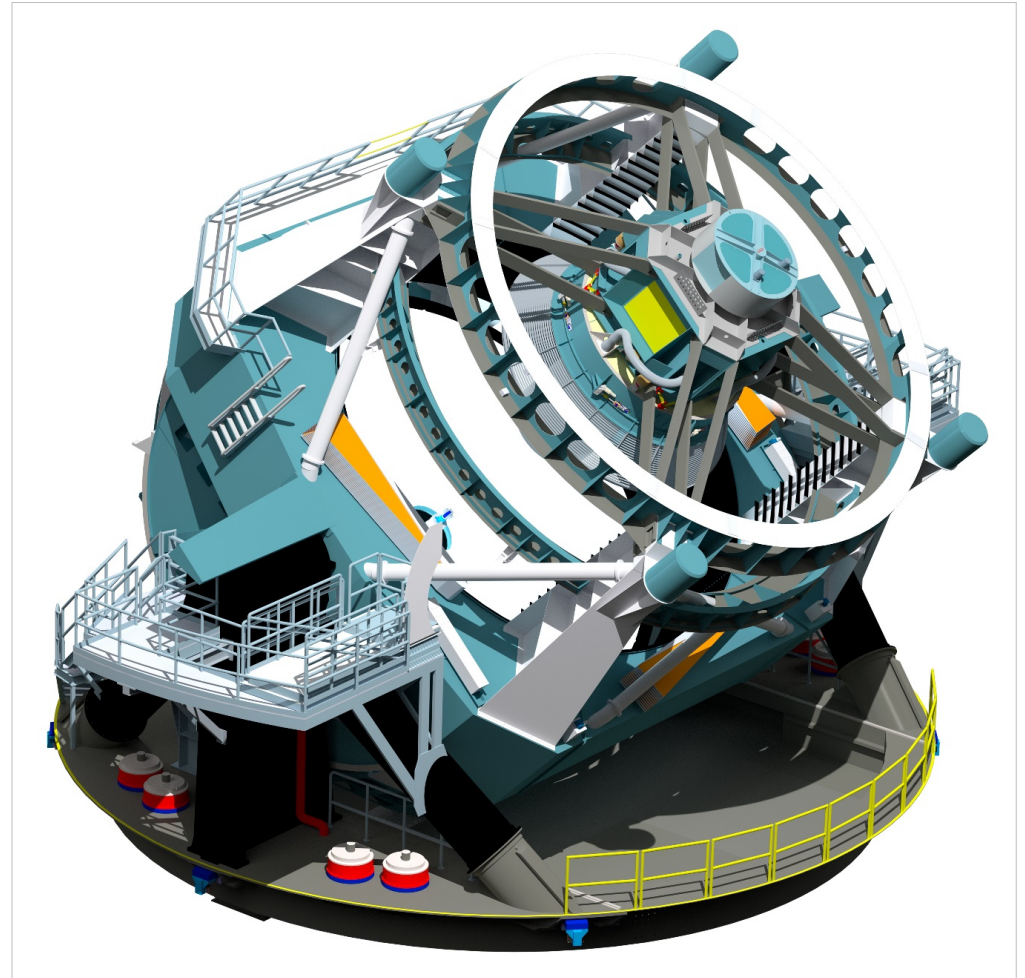


LSST

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Opening a Window of Discovery on the Dynamic Universe

OUTLINE

- What is **L**arge **S**ynoptic **S**urvey **T**elescope?
- Scientific motivation and areas
- Telescope design and mission schedule
- Science on solar system bodies
- Science on dark matter and dark energy
- Summary

WHAT IS LSST?

Large

- **8.4-meter** primary mirror
- **largest digital camera(3.2 G-pixel)** in the world
- **large Etendue, enormous survey sky area(20000deg²)**
- **largest public data set(200 PB)** in the world

Synoptic

- **Billions** of objects imaged in **six colors** in an unprecedented large volume of our universe
- At a frequency that enables images of **every part** of the visible sky to be obtained **every few nights**

Survey

- **Near real time(60s response time)**, operating **over a decade** to collect the deepest, widest, image of the Universe

DESIGNATED SCIENCE AREAS

- **Hazardous Asteroids and the Remote Solar System**
- **Understanding the Mysterious Dark Matter and Dark Energy**
- The Transient Optical Sky(Transits, SNe etc.)
- The Formation and Structure of the Milky Way

- *Single data set serves most science programs (instead of science-specific surveys executed in series), massively parallel astrophysics. –" LSST Science Book"*

Telescope design and mission schedule

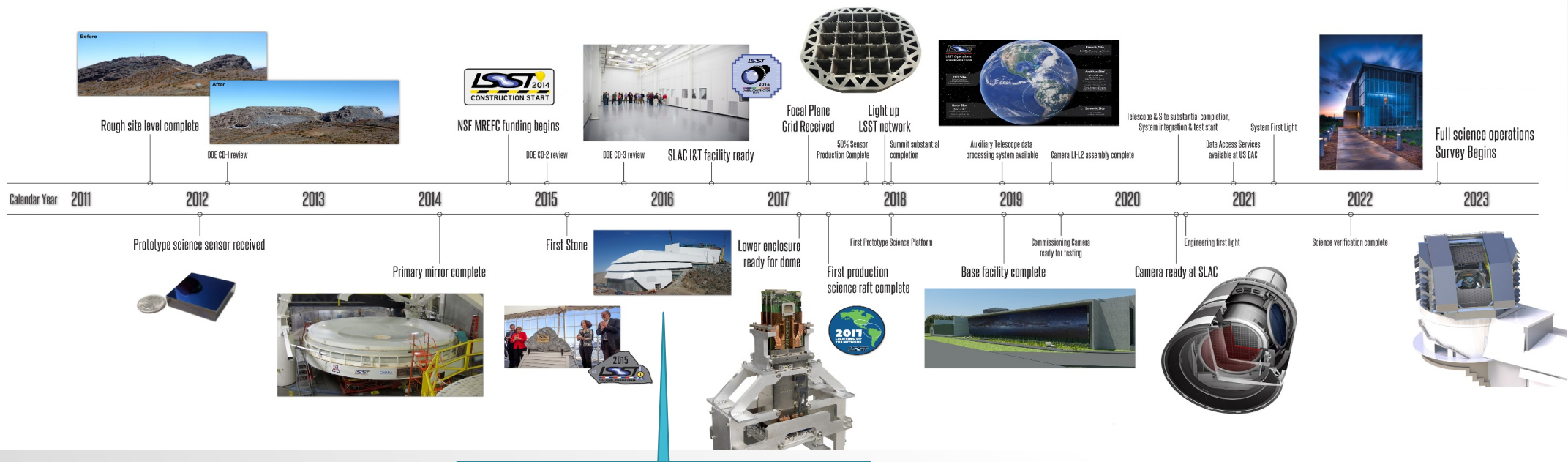
MISSION SITE AND FACILITIES



Cerro Pachón – Future site of the LSST



MISSION SCHEDULE



LSST Summit Facility
completed March 23, 2018

THE DESIGN

Configuration: 3-mirror
Mount: Alt-azimuth

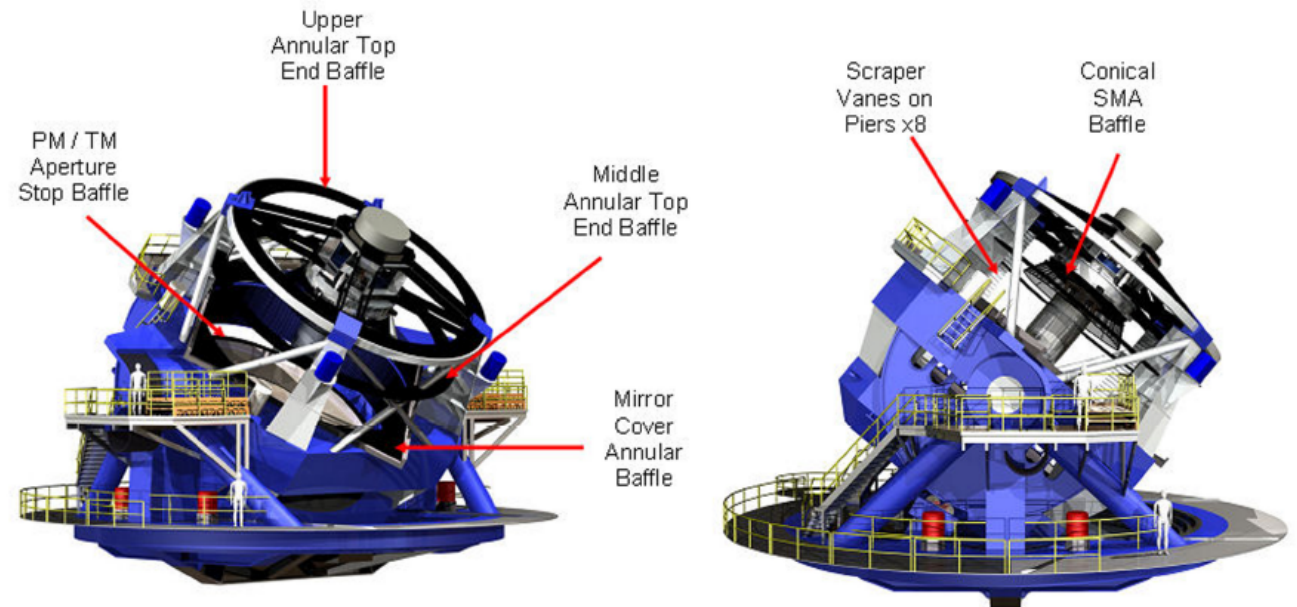
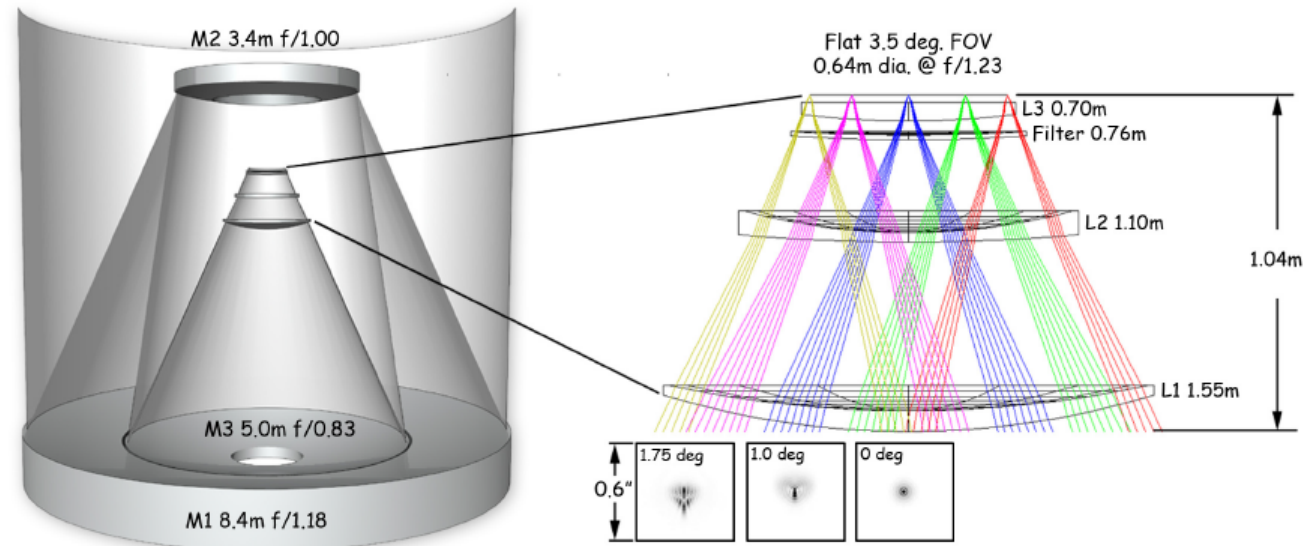
Effective on-axis clear aperture (accounting for obscuration) : 6.7m

Focal plane diameter: 63cm (FOV)

Final f ratio: 1/1.23

Plate scale: 50 microns/arcsec

Etendue: $319\text{m}^2\text{deg}^2$



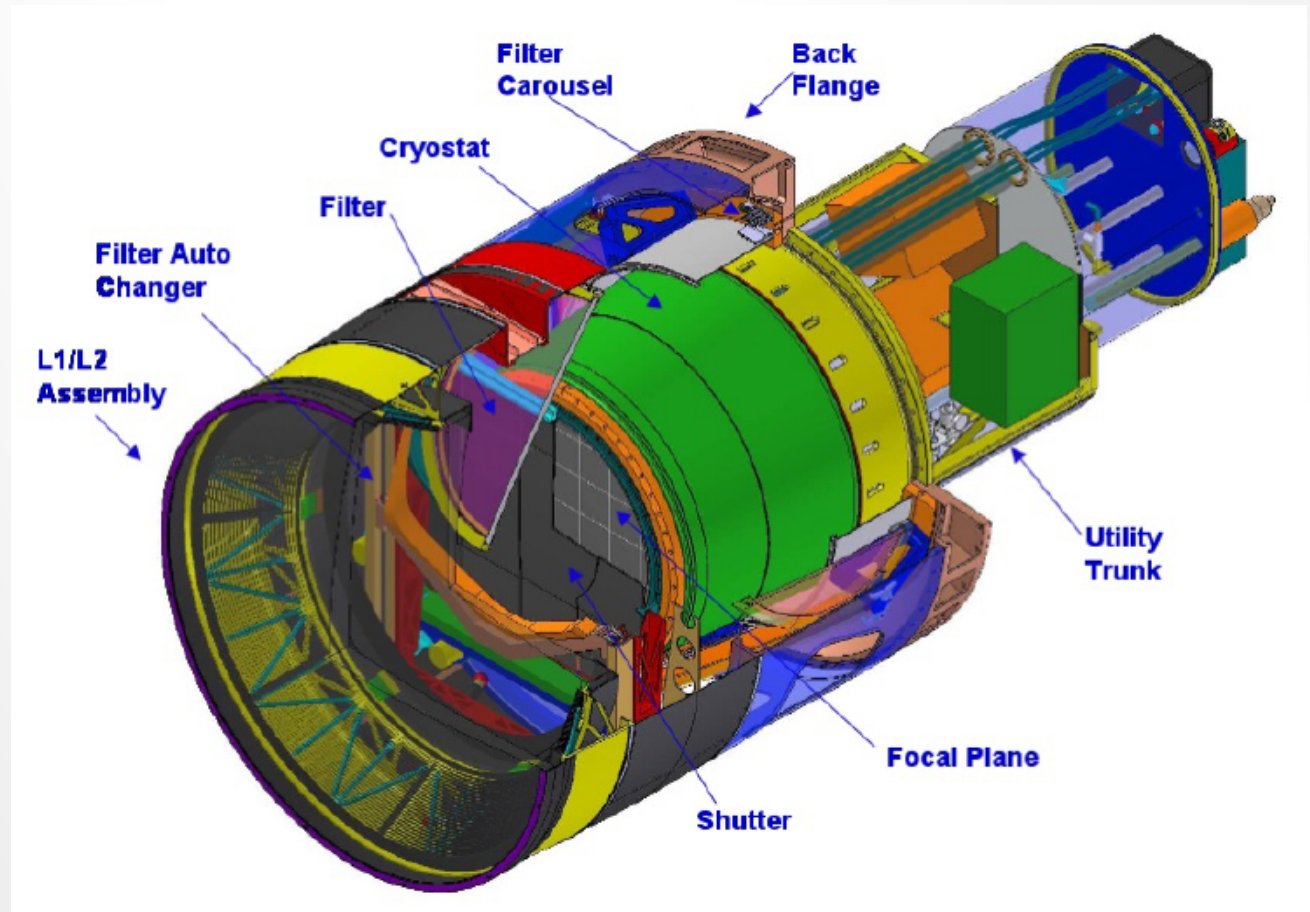
CCD CAMERA

Pixel size: 10microns(0.2 arcsec)

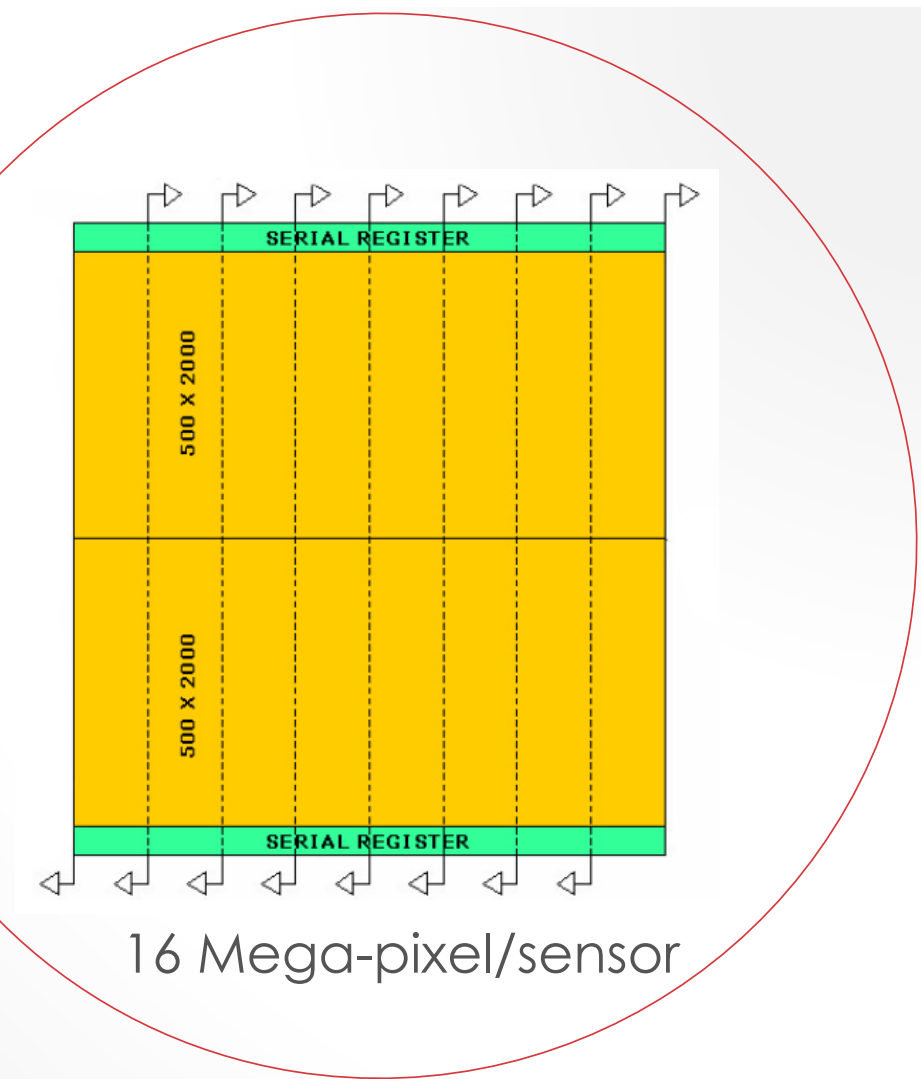
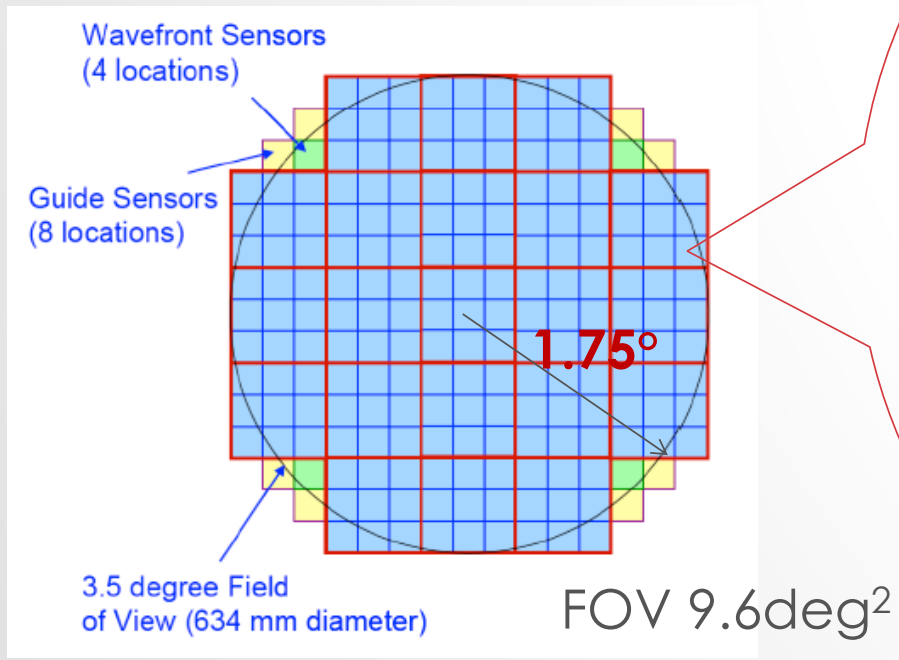
Readout time: 2s

Filter change time: 120s

Dynamic range: 16bit



CCD SENSOR



21x9 = 189 sensors
4x wavefront sensors(AO)
8x guide sensors(slew & tracking)

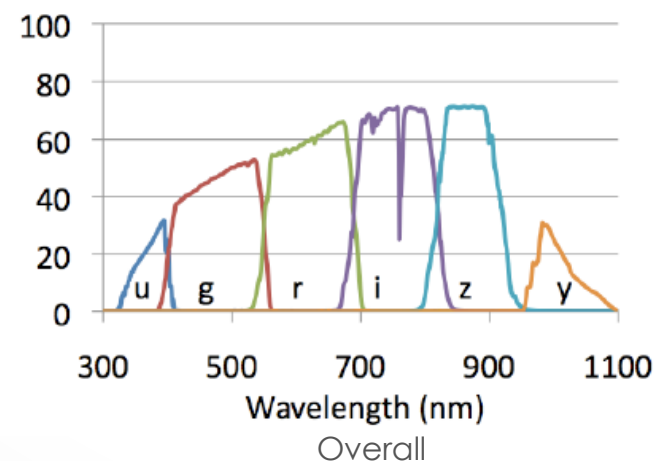
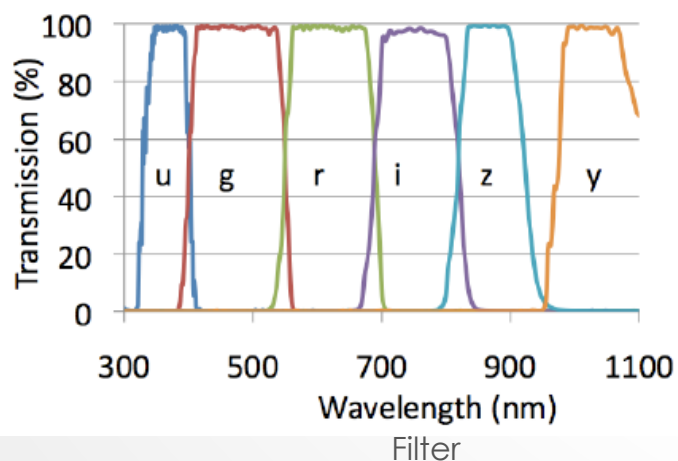
3.2 Giga-pixel in total!

FILTERS

- Wavelength: 320-1080nm
- Single visit depth(point source 5σ): u23.9, g25.0, r24.7, i:24.0, z23.3, y22.1
- Coadded depth(10 yrs): u26.3, g27.5, r27.7, i:27.0, z26.2, y24.9
- # of visits(10 yrs): u70, g100, r230, i:230, z200, y200
- Photometric error(r-22):
 $\sim 0.02\text{mag}$ (single visit),
 $\sim 0.005\text{mag}$ (coadded)

Table 2.1: Design of Filters: Transmission Points in nanometers

Filter	Blue Side	Red Side	Comments
<i>u</i>	320	400	Blue side cut-off depends on AR coating
<i>g</i>	400	552	Balmer break at 400 nm
<i>r</i>	552	691	Matches SDSS
<i>i</i>	691	818	Red side short of sky emission at 826 nm
<i>z</i>	818	922	Red side stop before H ₂ O bands
<i>y</i>	950	1080	Red cut-off before detector cut-off

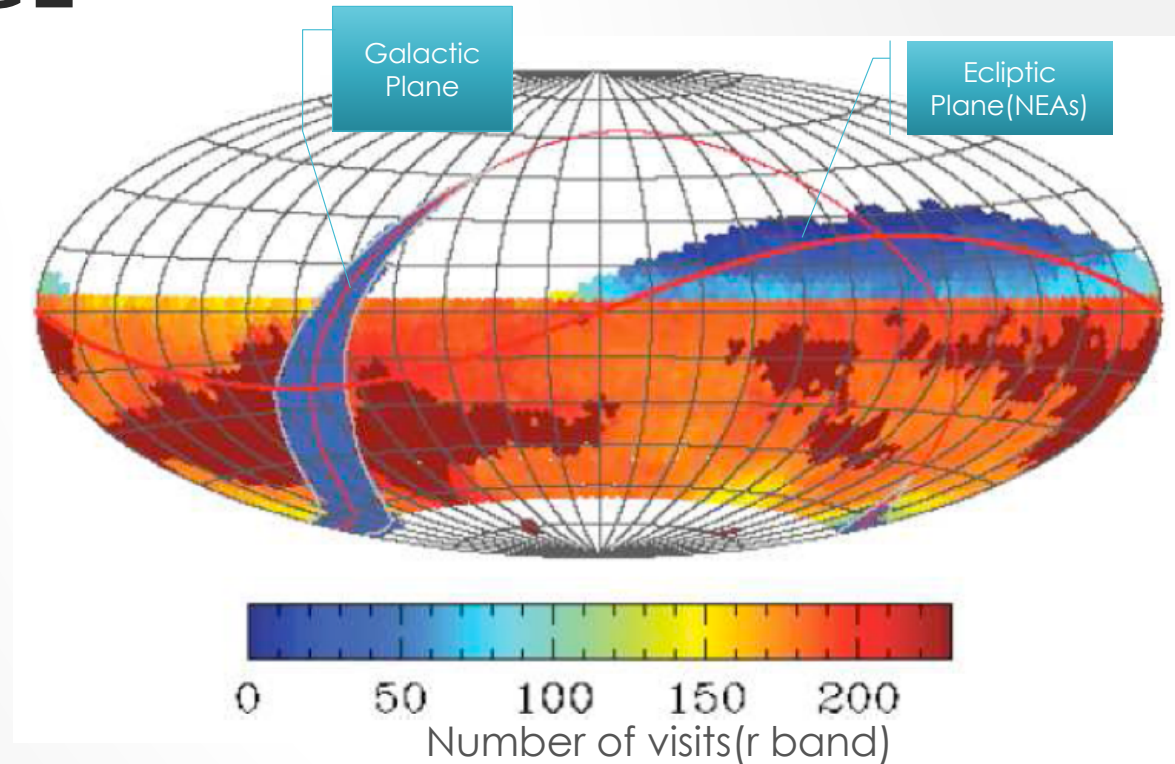


SURVEY SKY COVERAGE

- 20000deg² main survey (90%time), wide-deep-fast mode, r~24.5 depth
- Visit: 2x 15s exposures b2b in a given band, with 4s readout
- Survey efficiency: $t_{\text{vis}} = 30\text{s}$, $t_{\text{slew}} = 5\text{s}$, $t_{\text{readout}} = 4\text{s}$

$$\epsilon = \frac{t_{\text{vis}}}{t_{\text{vis}} + 9 \text{ sec}}$$

- Period: 15-60mins for each band of the same aperture
- Transient alert: 60s

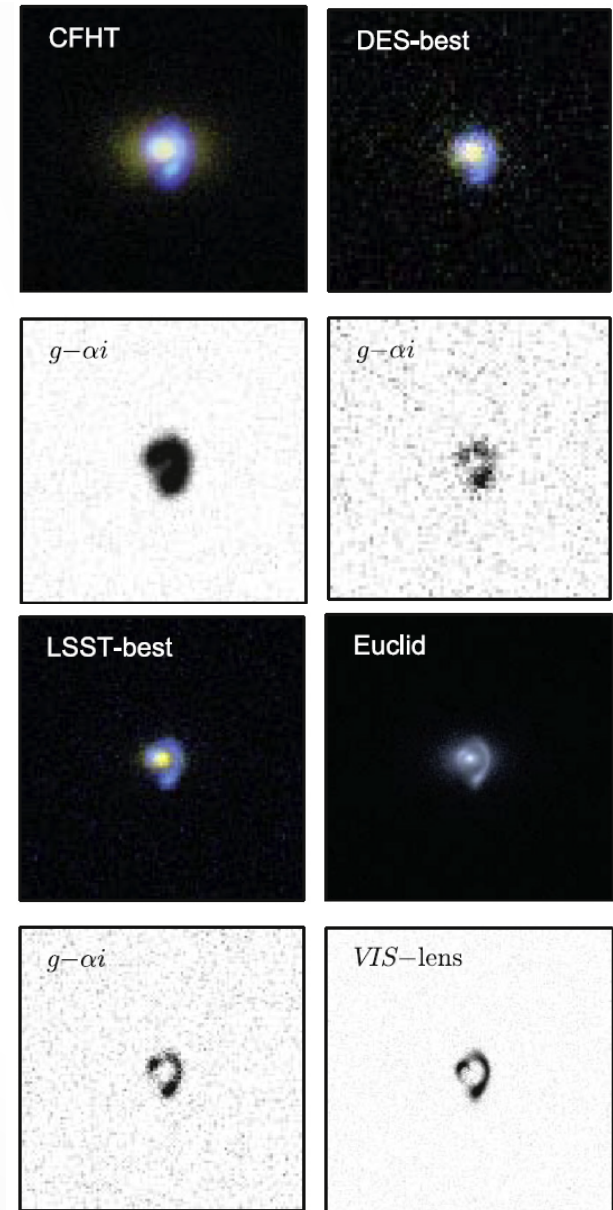
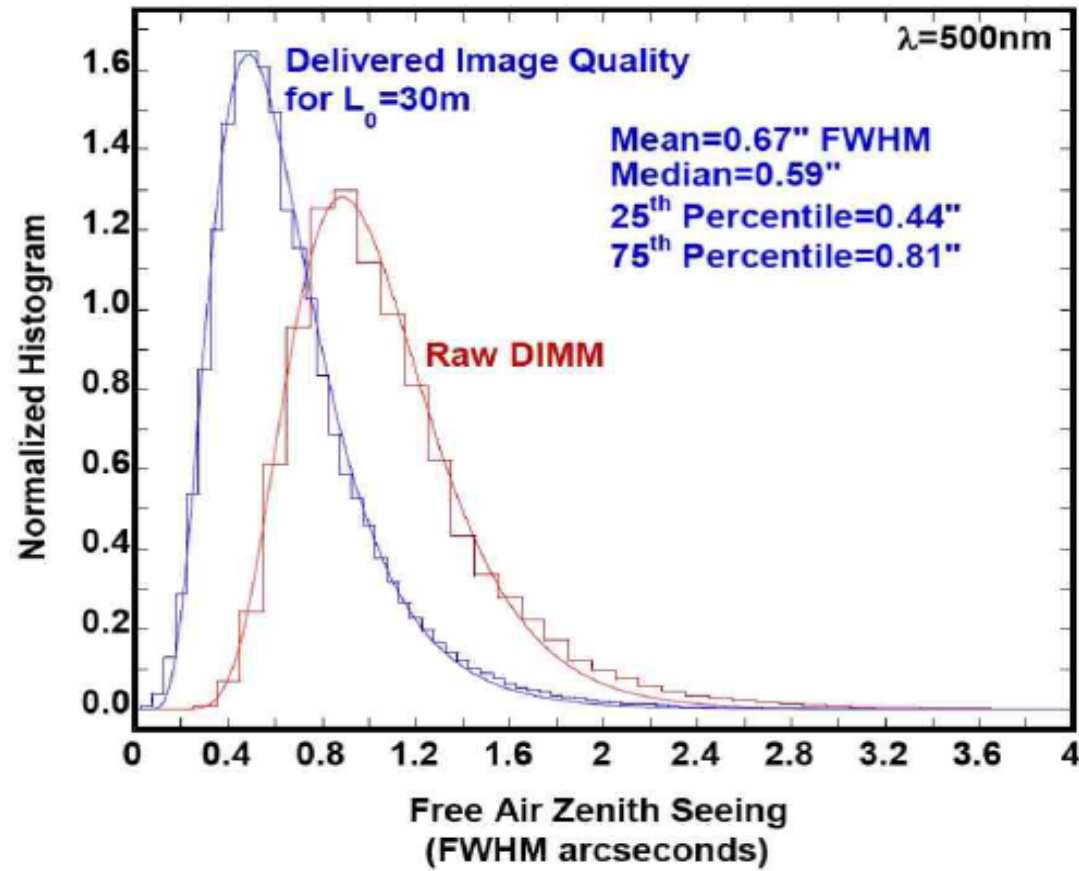


10% time: very deep (r~26) survey; LMC, SMC, Galactic Plane, Ecliptic Plane etc.

1% time: micro surveys, 25 nights in total

SEEING

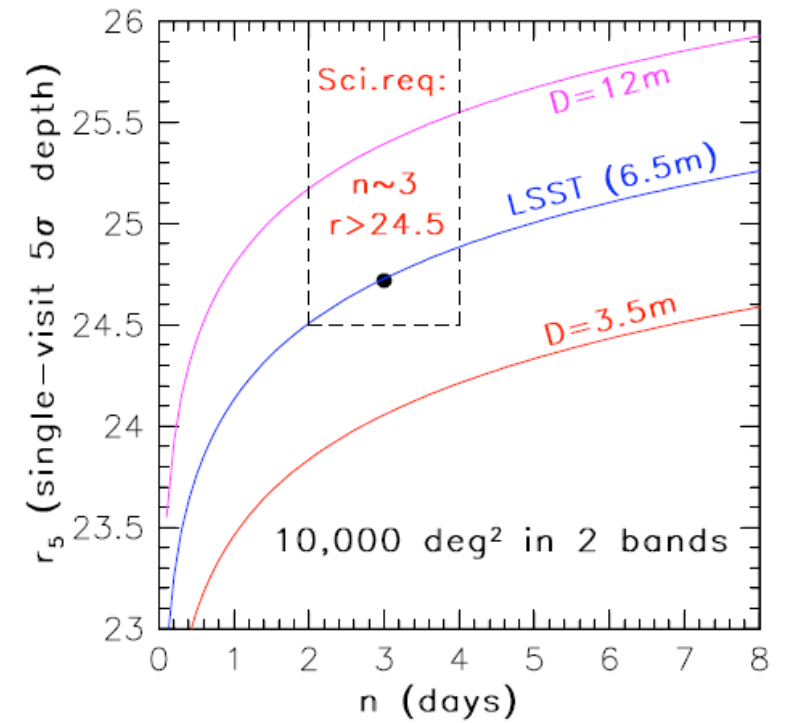
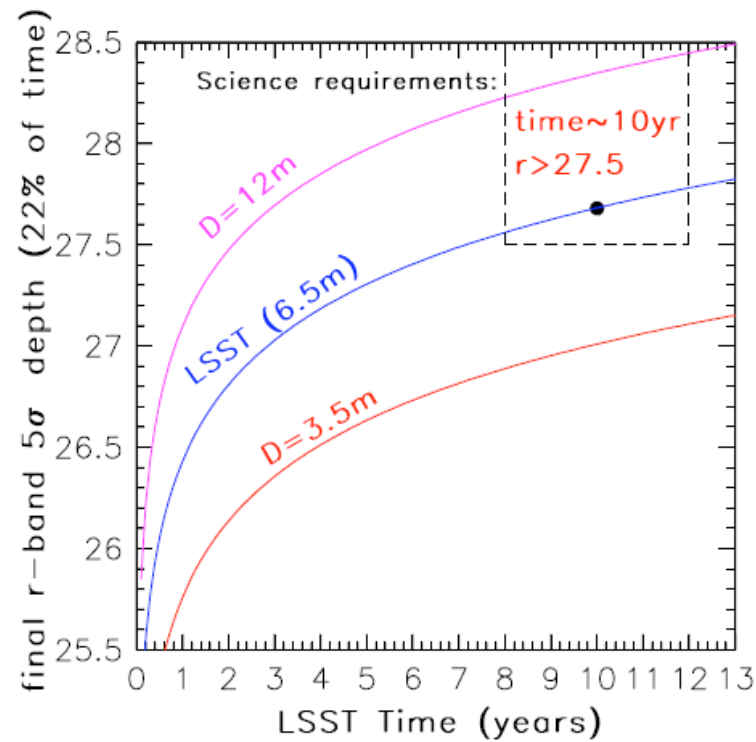
Simulated strong
lensing images
(Collett. 2015)



THE EFFECTIVE APERTURE

Why these parameters?

A: the most optimal choice to meet the scientific requirements of the mission



Science on solar system bodies

EXPECTED NUMBERS FOR SOLAR SYSTEM SMALL BODIES

Table 1: Summary of small body populations observed with LSST

Population	Currently known ¹	LSST discoveries ²	Num. of observations ³	Arc length (years) ³
Near Earth Objects (NEOs)	12,832	100,000	($H \leq 20$) 90	7.0
Main Belt Asteroids (MBAs)	636,499	5,500,000	($H \leq 19$) 200	8.5
Jupiter Trojans	6,387	280,000	($H \leq 16$) 300	8.7
TransNeptunian and Scattered Disk Objects (TNOs and SDOs)	1,921	40,000	($H \leq 6$) 450	8.5

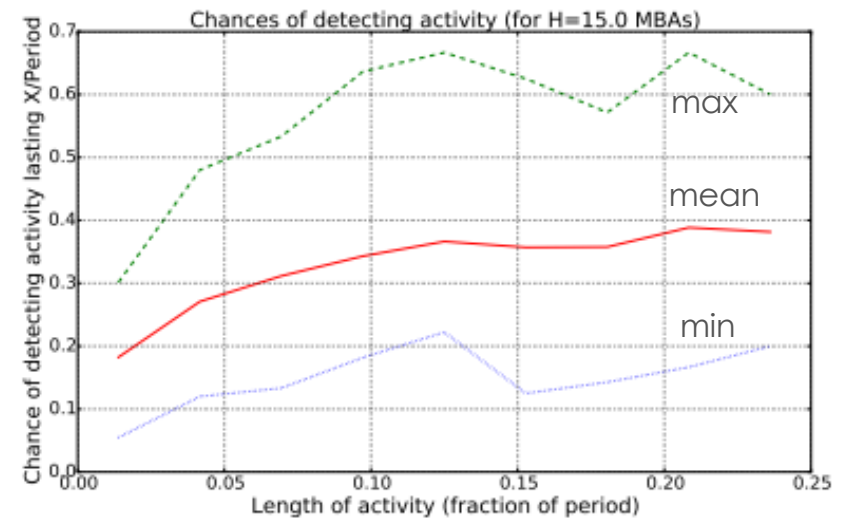
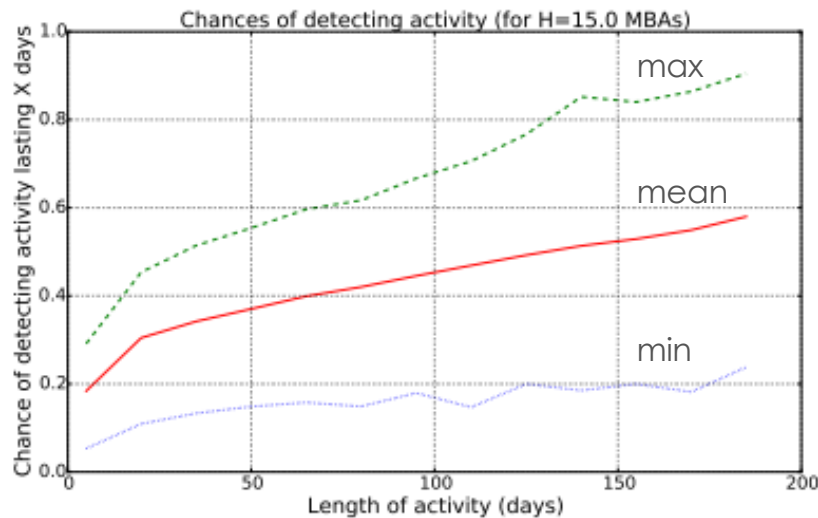
Until: May, 2015

DETECTION WITH MOPS

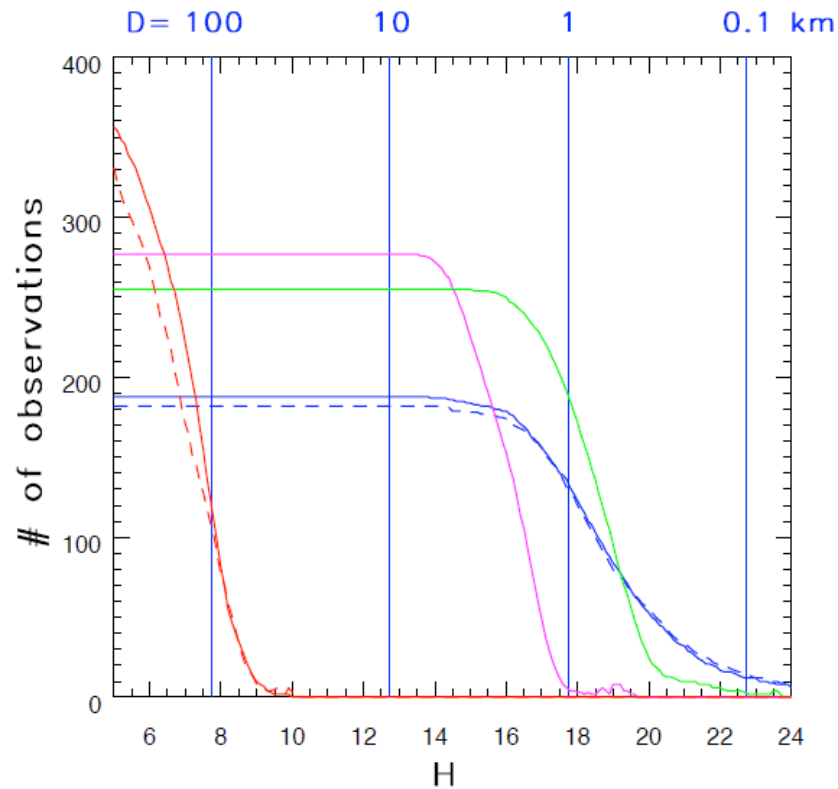
LSST Moving Object Pipeline System(MOPS)

- Detected at 3 separate nights within 15-night window
- 2 visits each night(separated by 15-90 mins)
- Single night image -> tracklet
- Multiple night images -> track
- Orbital determination algorithms to determine \surd or \times

False positive rate goal: 13:1 (noise:real)

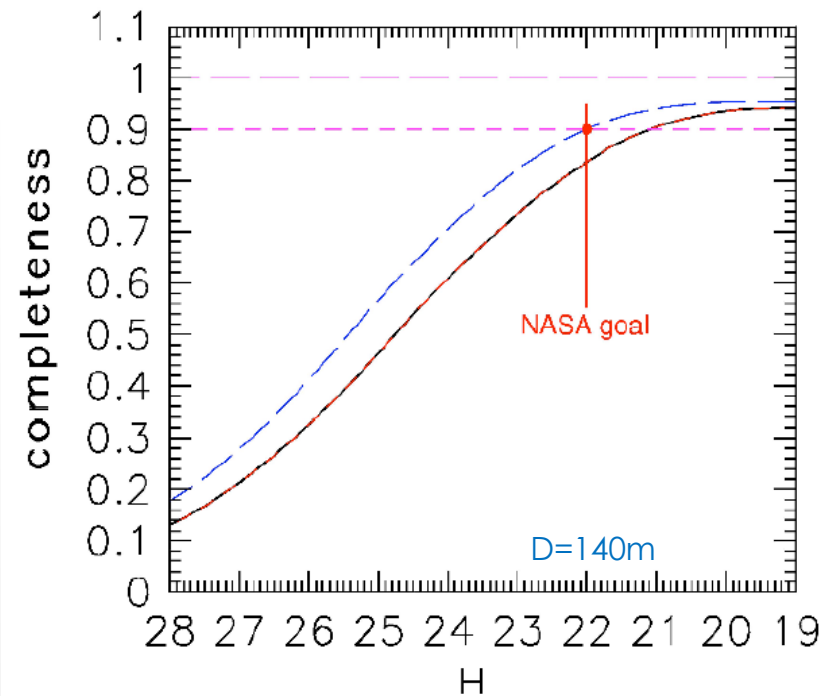


DETECTION EFFICIENCY



Solid lines: classical TNOs (red), Jovian Trojans (magenta), Main Belt Asteroids (green), NEAs (blue)

Dashed lines: scattered disk objects (red), potential hazardous asteroids (blue)

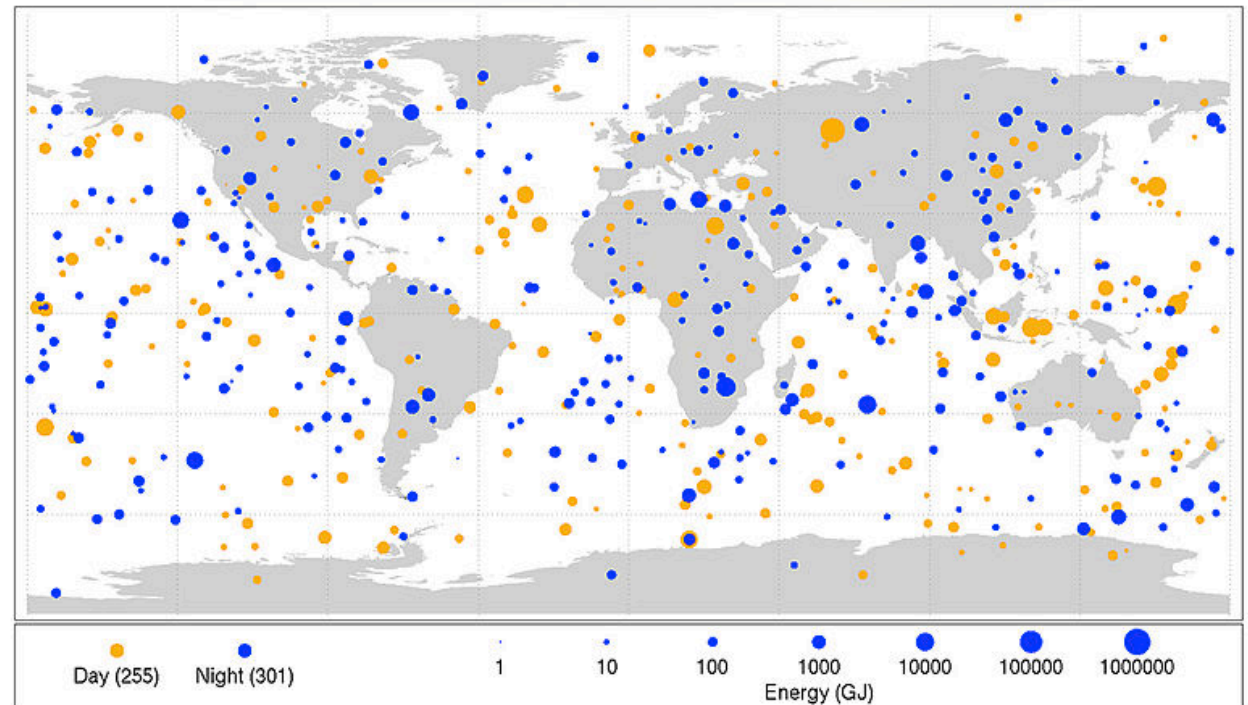


5% time (10yrs) VS 15% time (12yrs)
PHA completeness: 84% VS 90%

NECESSITY OF SURVEYING PHA

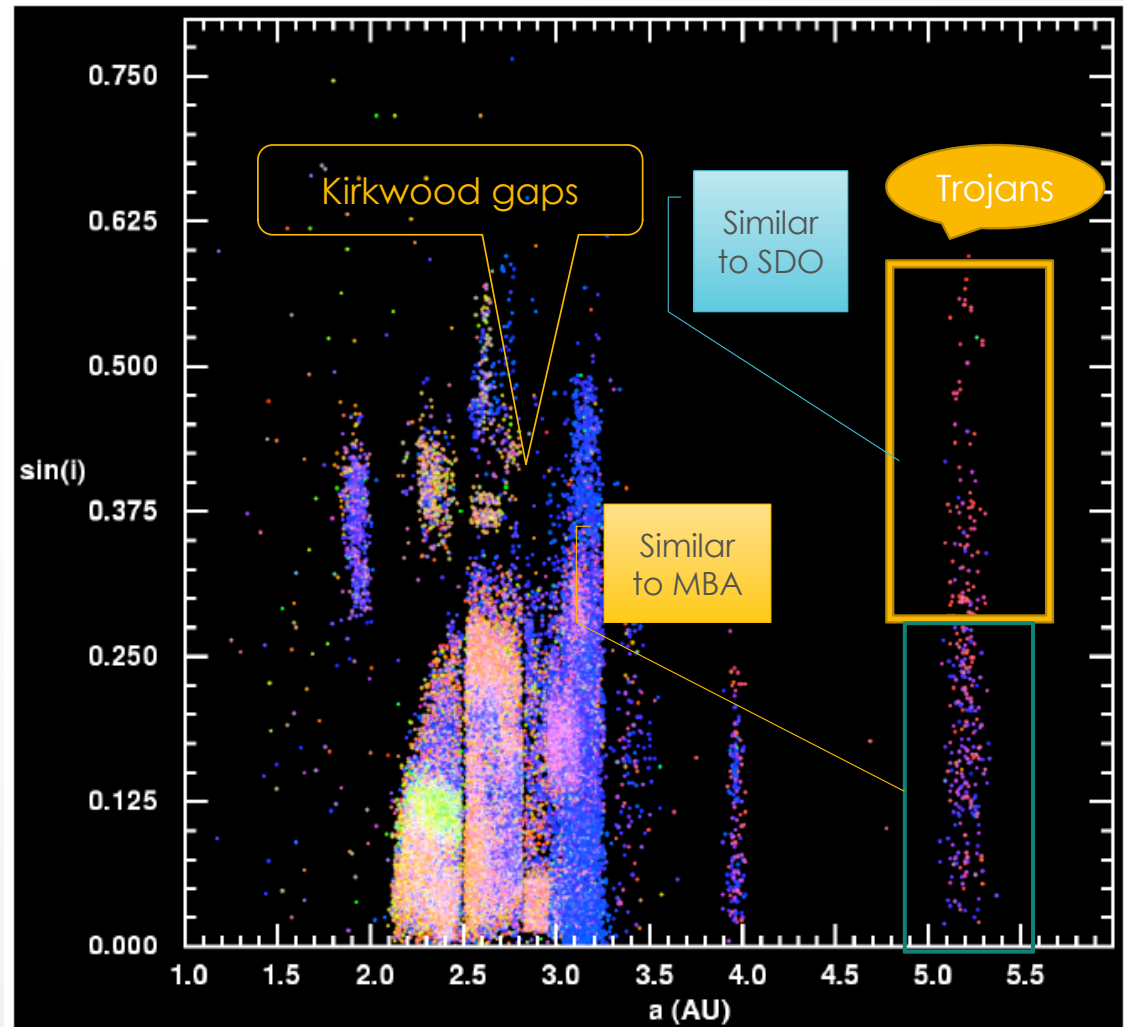
- Potential hazardous asteroids (PHAs) are NEAs that have their closest encounter with Earth $< 0.05 \text{ AU}$
- $\sim 100 \text{ m}$ PHAs can cause catastrophic events to create Tsunami and drastic climate change
- Possible targets for future space missions (resembling Rosetta)

Bolide events 1994-2013
(Small asteroids that disintegrated in the Earth's atmosphere)



SOLAR SYSTEM AND PLANET FORMATION

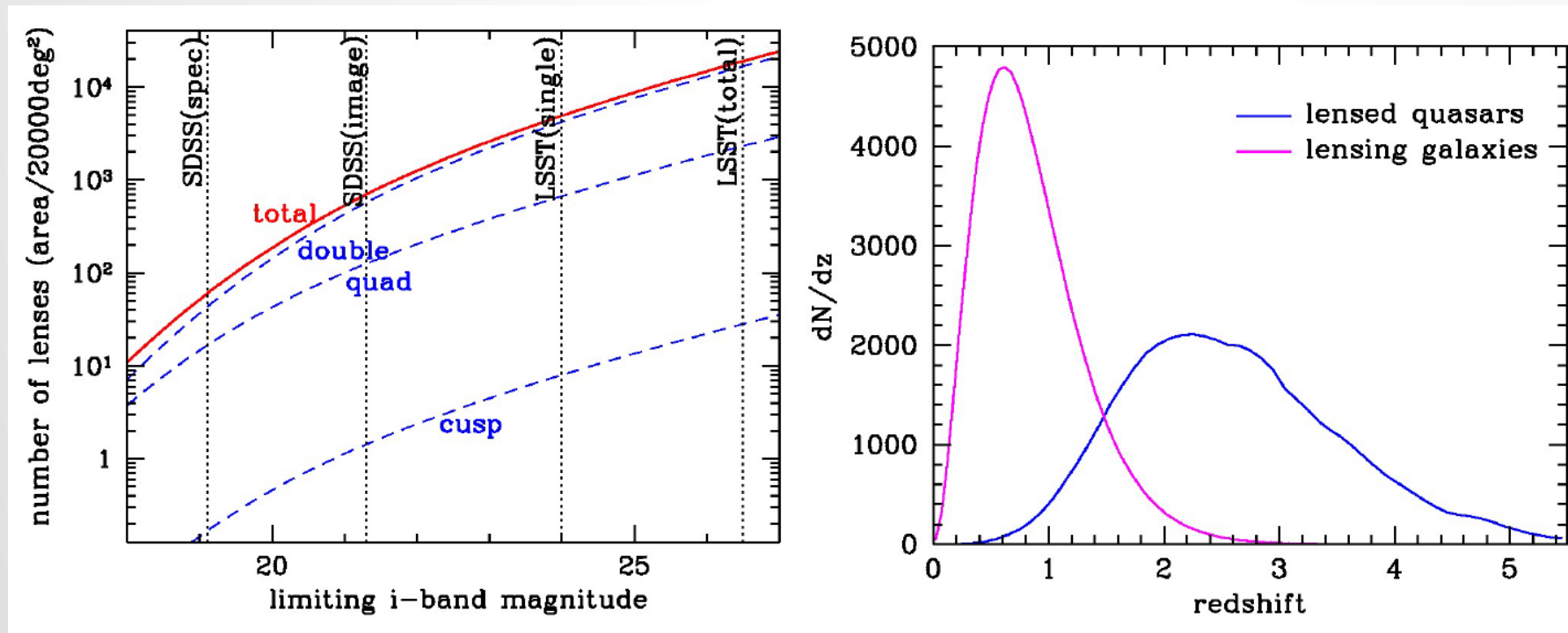
- **Simultaneous formation** of Trojans **with Jupiter** (Peale 1993)
- But Trojans with large orbital inclination are **similar to SDOs** in color
- **Ex situ** formation of Trojans, indicating **gas drag** importance in early solar system
- **Nice model**: Trojans built up by planetesimals *trapped after the 1:2 mean-motion resonance crossing of Saturn and Jupiter*
- $\sim 10^6$ small bodies expected by LSST will provide stringent constraint on these competitive theories of planet formation



Science on dark matter and dark energy

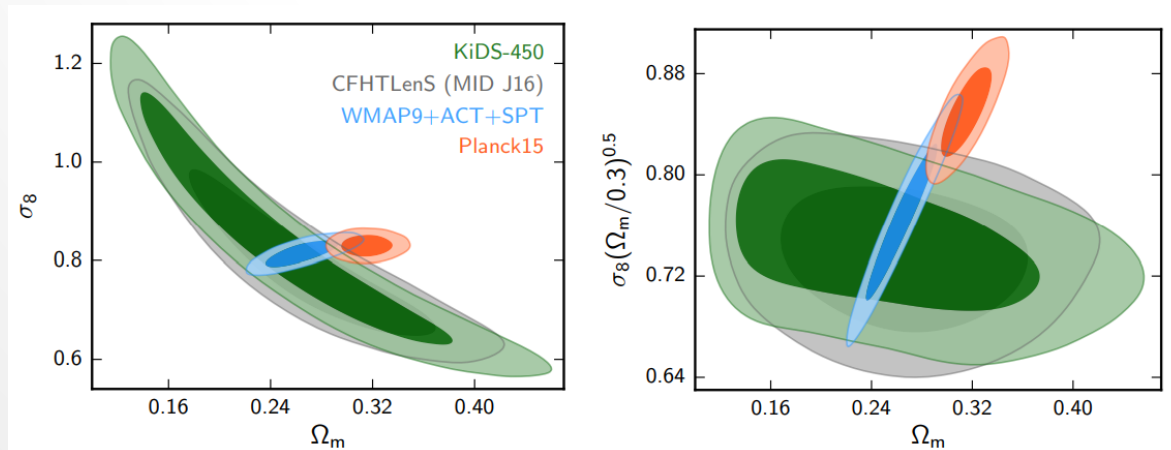
EXPECTED LENSED QSO DISTRIBUTION

- More robust detection compared to galaxy-galaxy lenses
- Time delay measurements for %-level precision cosmology (H_0)
- Substructure discoveries from QSO flux-ratio anomaly



WEAK LENSING MOTIVATION

- Maps all matter (projected) distribution along line of sight
- Shape measurements only, susceptible to noise
- Systematics: galaxy intrinsic alignments, photometric redshift etc.
- Tension between CMB and WL drives larger statistical sample
- Survey efficiency

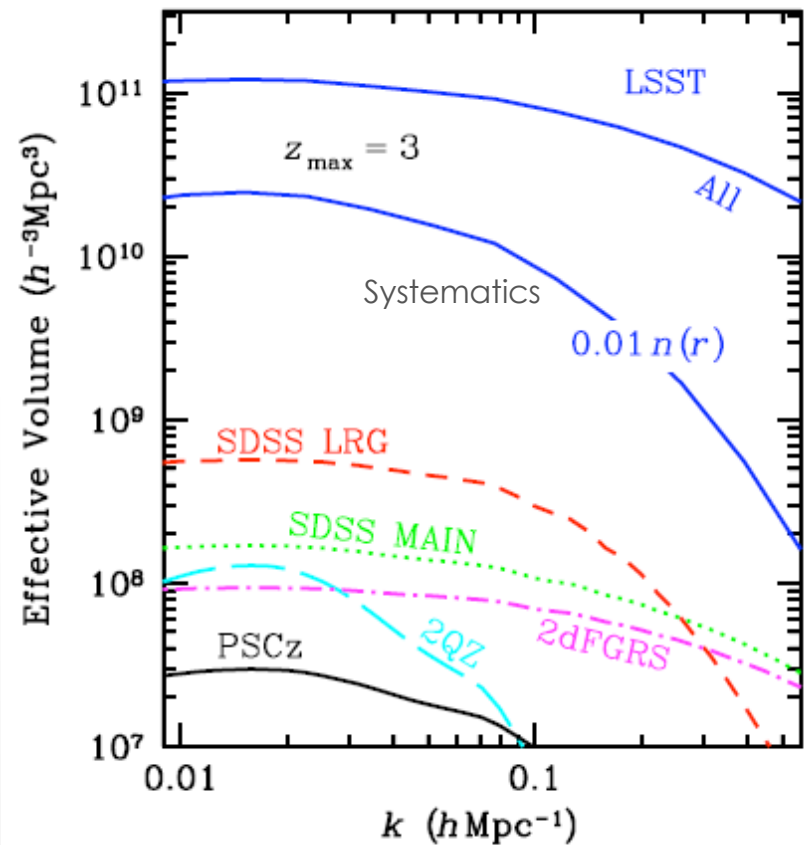


EFFECTIVE SURVEY VOLUME

Effective survey volume:

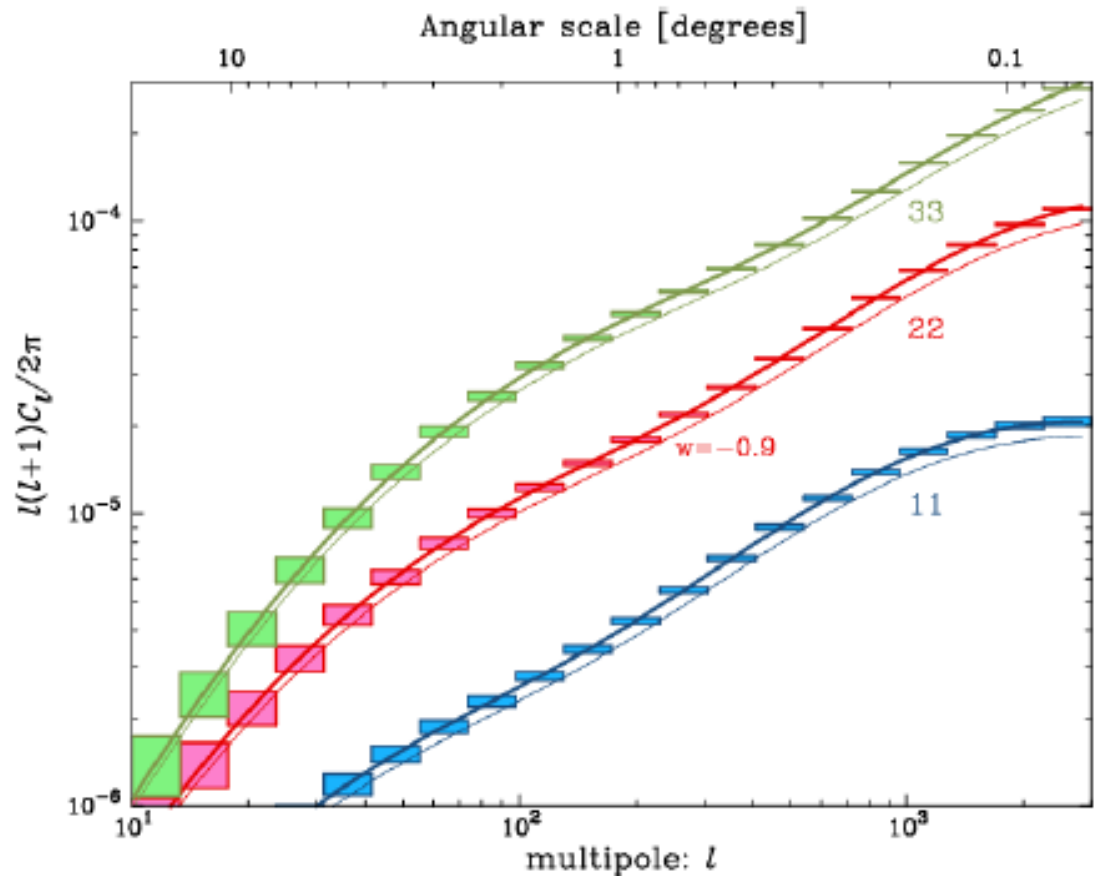
$$V_{\text{eff}}(k) = \int \left[\frac{n_g(\mathbf{r})P'_g(k)}{n_g(\mathbf{r})P'_g(k) + 1} \right]^2 d^3r$$

LSST: unprecedented survey volume and depth. Large statistical samples for both strong and weak lensing

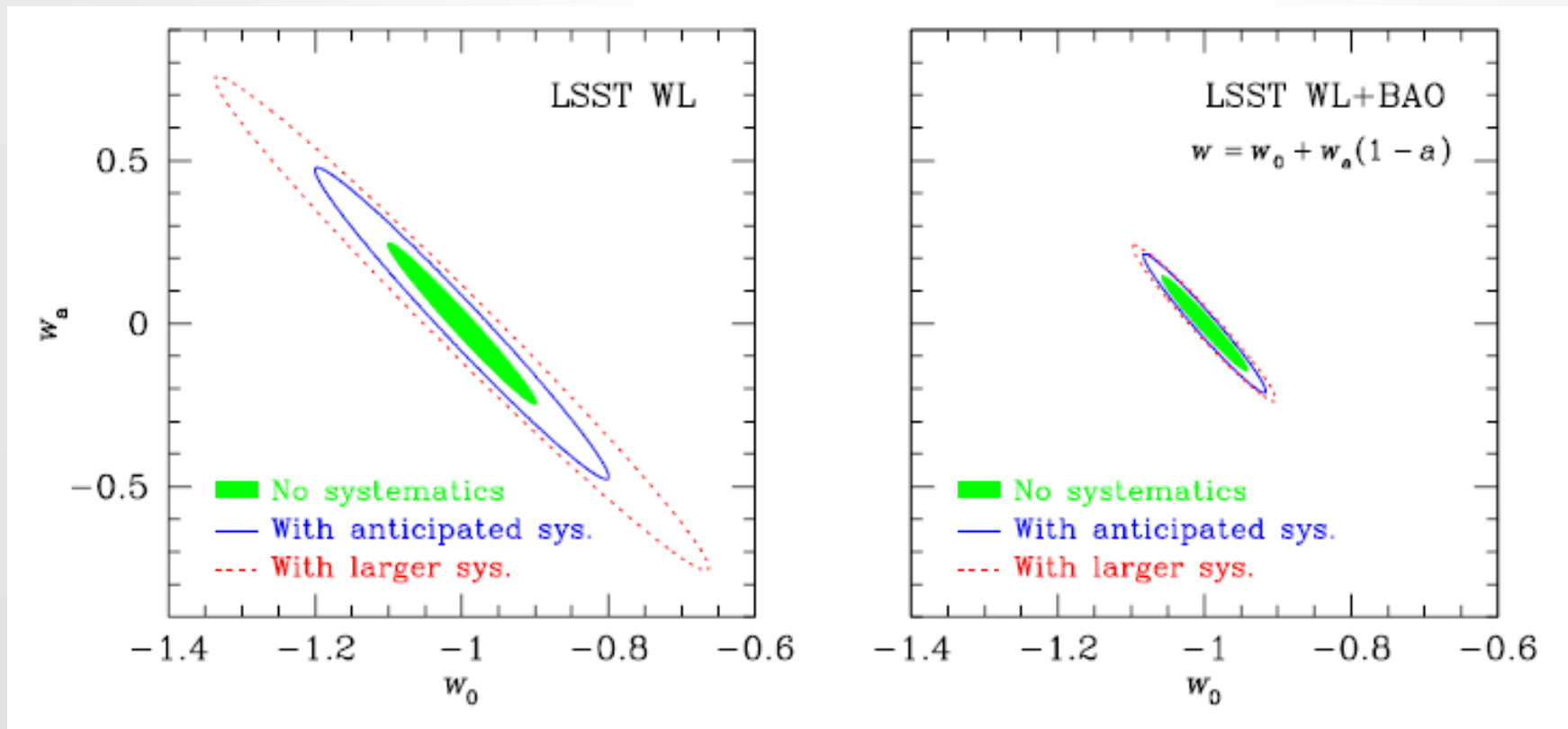


LENSING POWER SPECTRA

- Redshift bins: $z < 0.7$, $0.7 < z < 1.2$, $1.2 < z < 3$
- Solid curves: fiducial Λ CDM model+non-linear evolution
- Dashed curves: dark energy model with $w = -0.9$
- Power spectra very sensitive to dark energy EOS (w)
- Boxes: error due to sample variance and intrinsic ellipticity
- LSST: ~ 100 auto- & cross-correlated power spectra



BAO+WL



SUMMARY

- Wide, deep, fast
- Addressing the key issues of the dynamic universe
- Massively parallel astrophysics
- Public dataset, contribution to the community

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