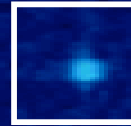
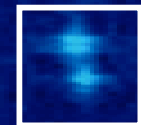
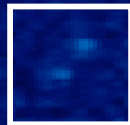


On-board data handling for DMS



Frédéric Arenou



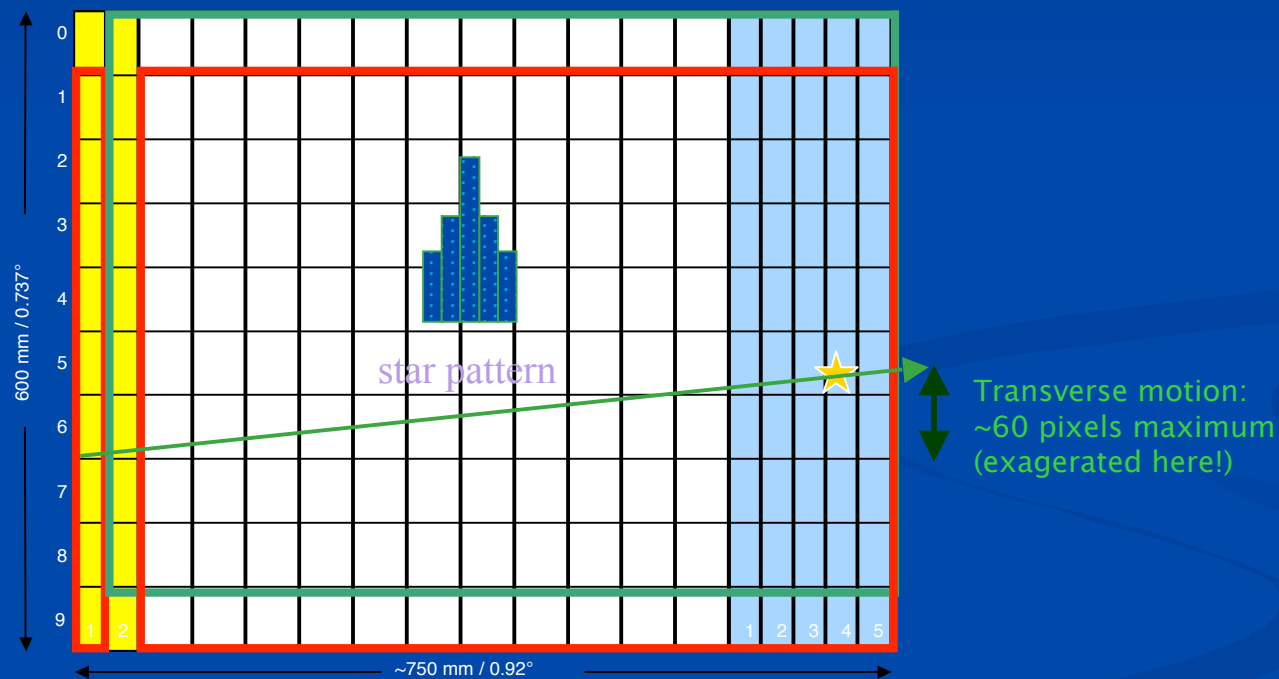
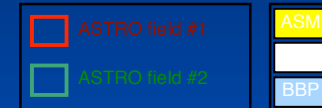
The instruments

Astrometric focal plane

ASM1-2
2600x1966, 1.9s

BBP1-5
2600x1966, 1.9s

<-- AF1-11: 4500x1966 px, 3.3s -->

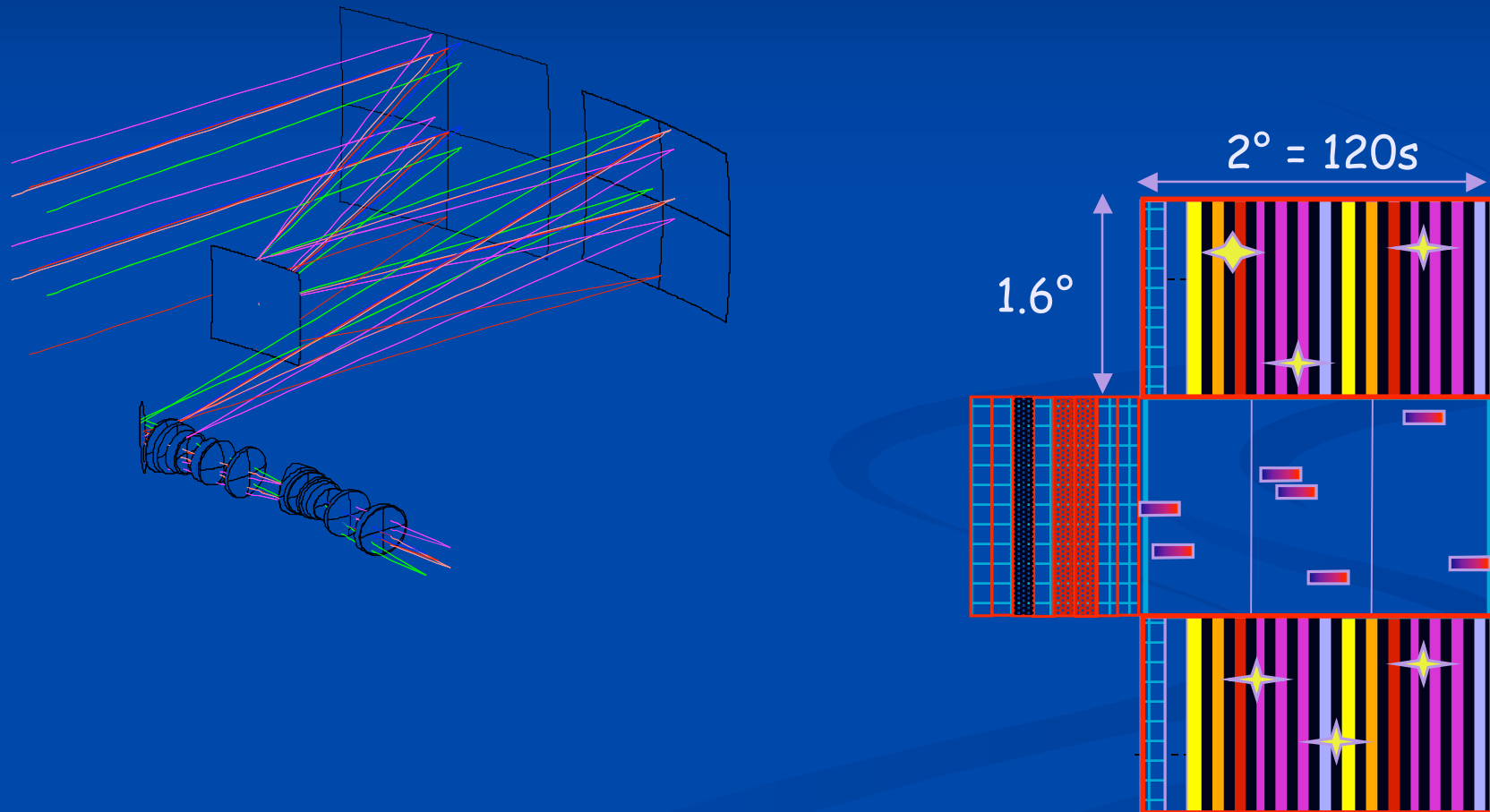


Sky
Mapper

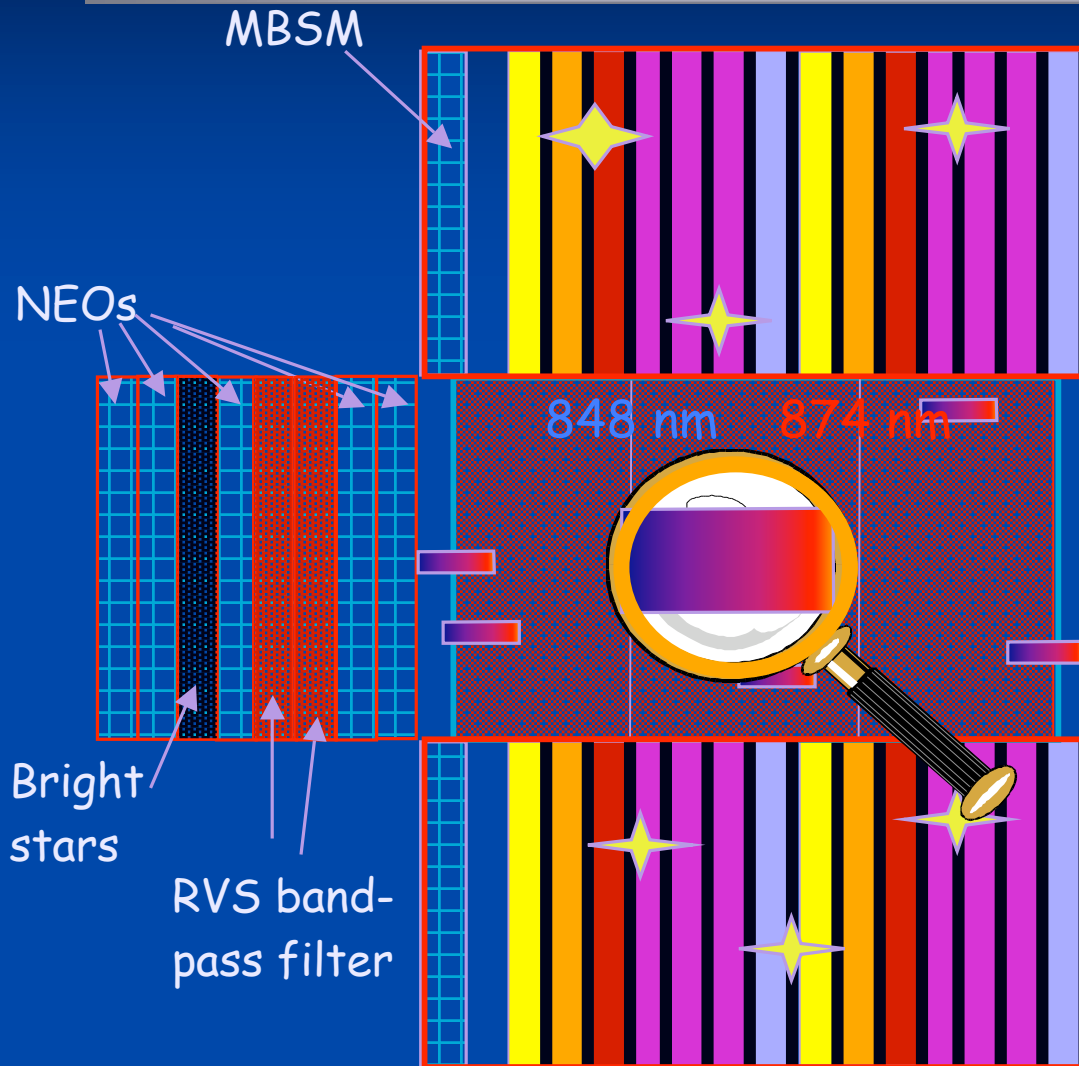
Astrometric Field

Broad Band
Photometry

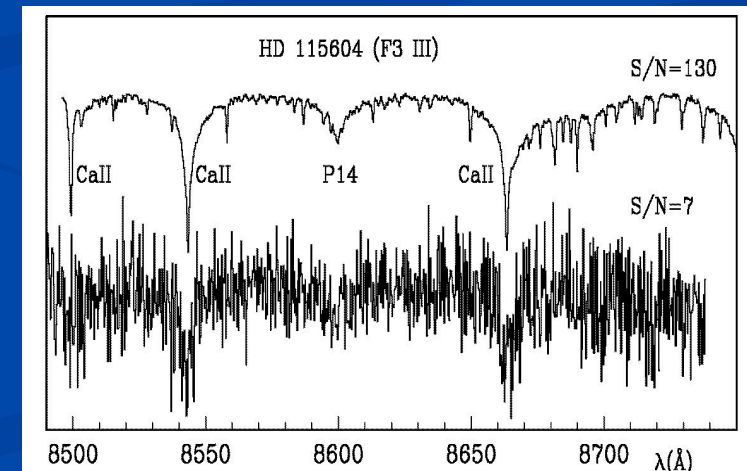
Spectrometer and MBP/RVS focal plane



Spectro field



- Confirmation and redundancy
 - For spectro sky mapper
- Two MBP fields
 - 1+15 CCDs = 1+11 filters TBC



Sampling

Sampling and patches

■ Scientific Requirements

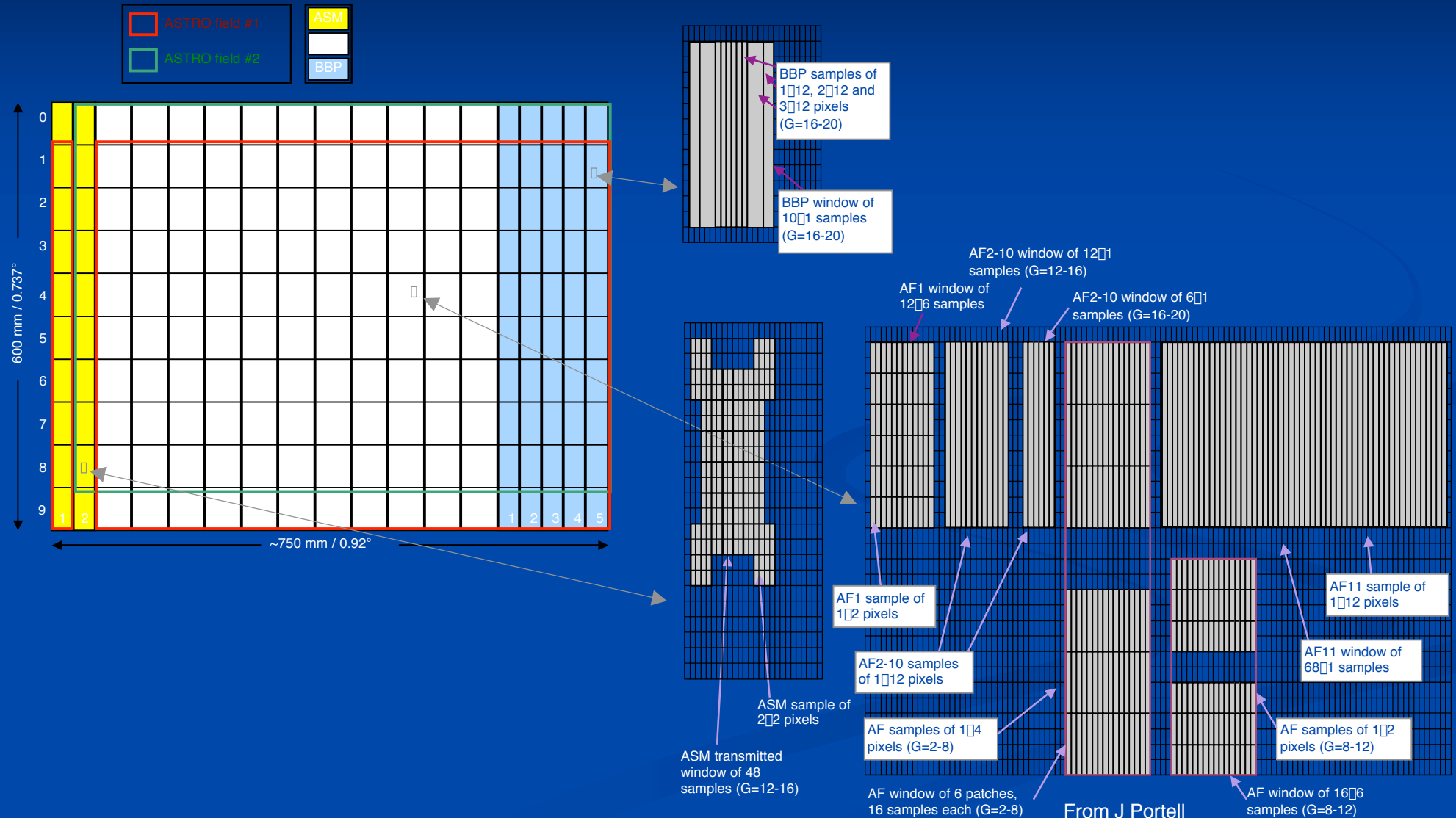
- Highest precision along-scan
- Highest signal/noise: smallest read-out noise: electronic binning
- Enough flux per object for on-ground reconstruction

■ Technical Constraints

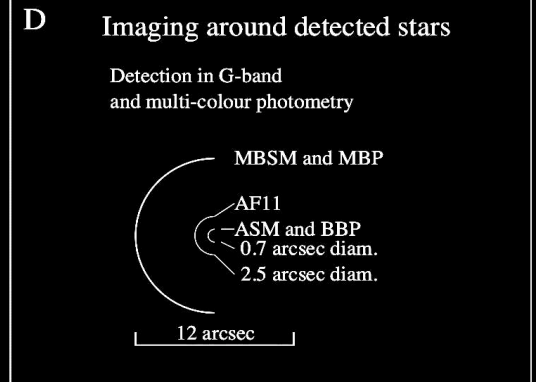
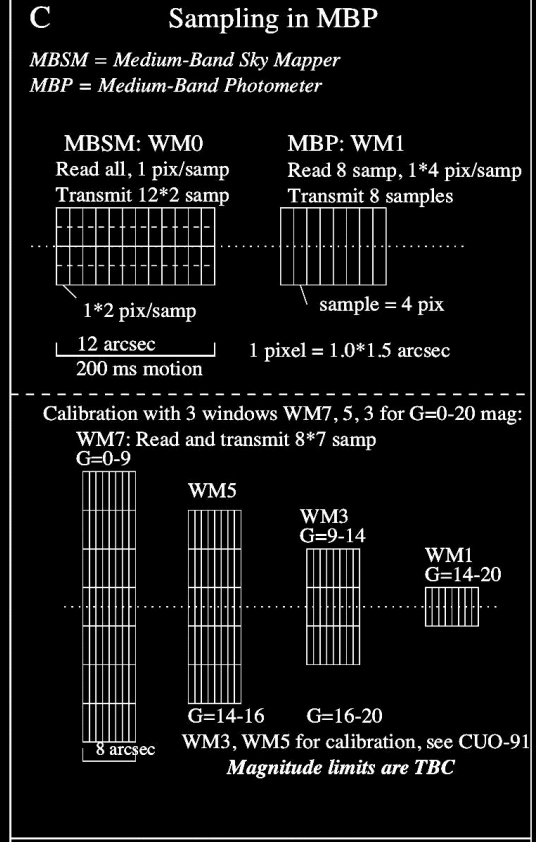
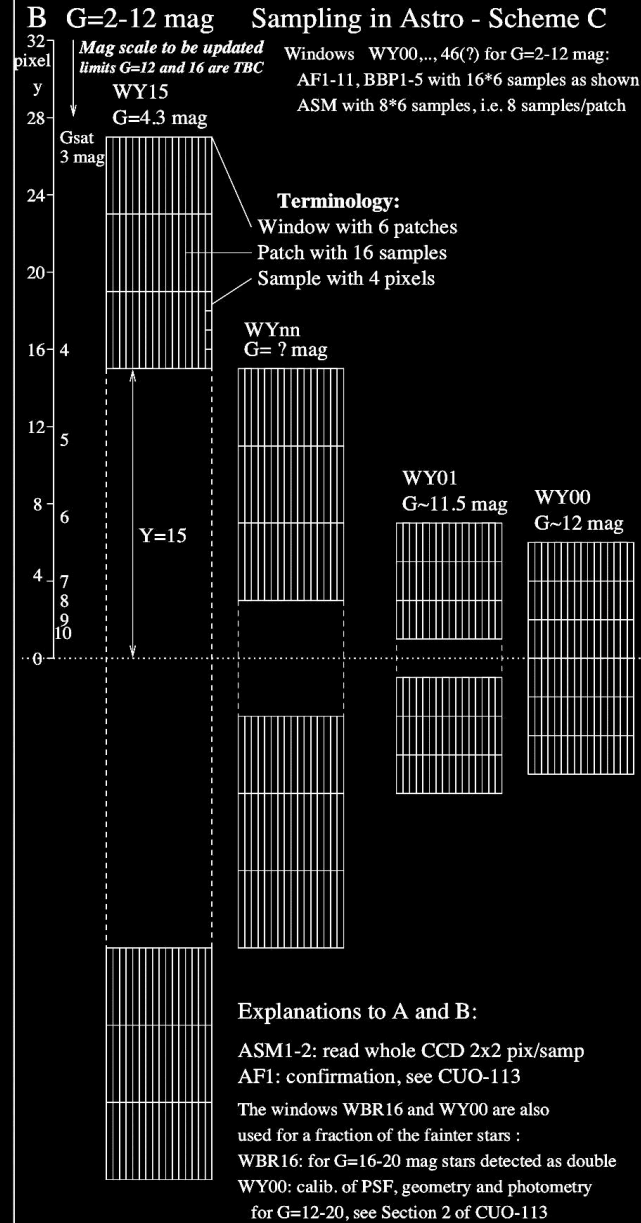
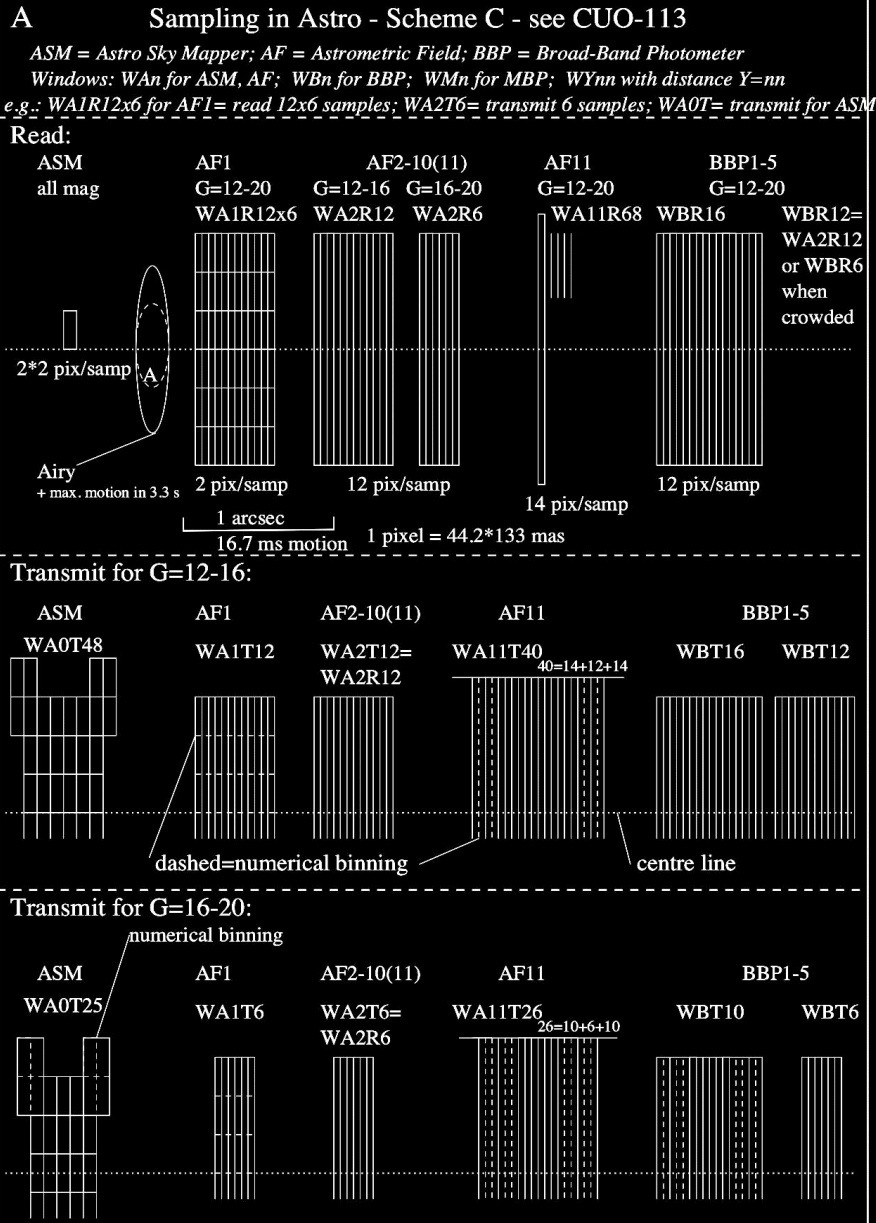
- CPU: limited instantaneous number of objects
- Telemetry: small number of patches, size of patches
- Number of samples AC fixed by the max. density
 - $\sim 3 \cdot 10^6$ in astro
 - $\sim 10^5$ in MBP, RVSM

■ Sampling design now steady

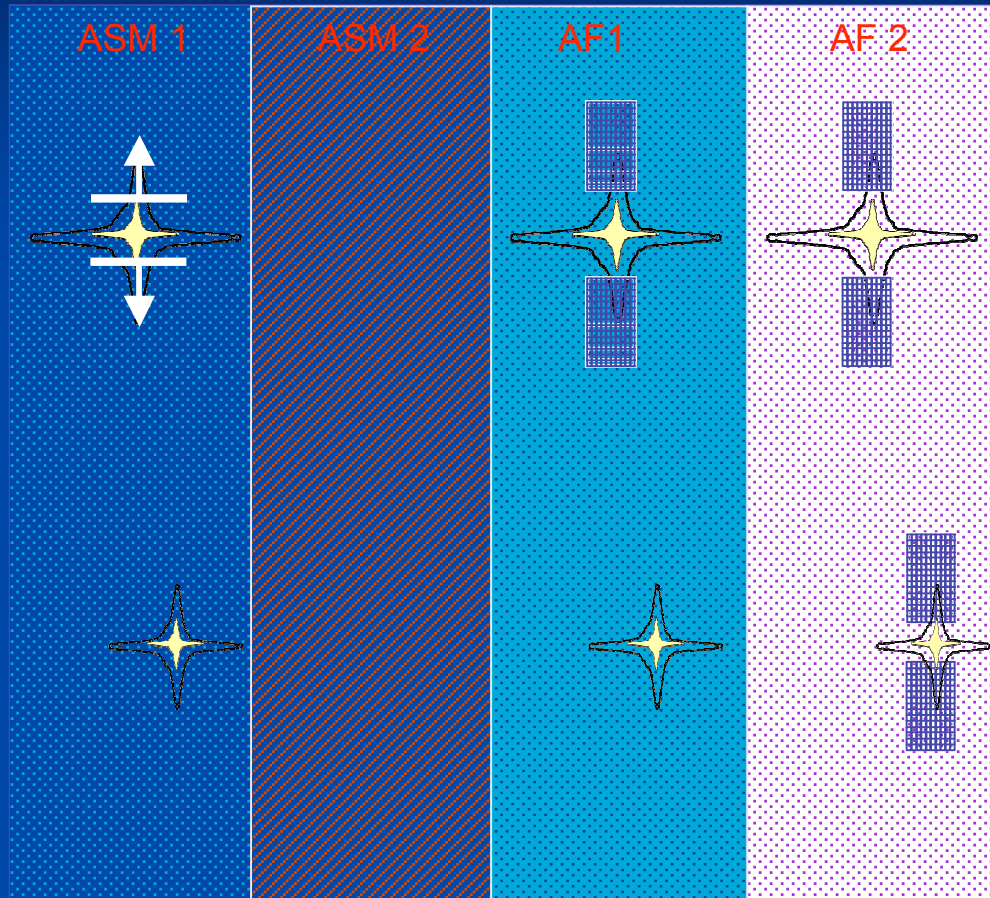
Sampling in the astrometric field



Sampling in Astro and MBP



Bright stars (E.Høg)



The space between windows is determined by ASM1

No saturated samples are downloaded

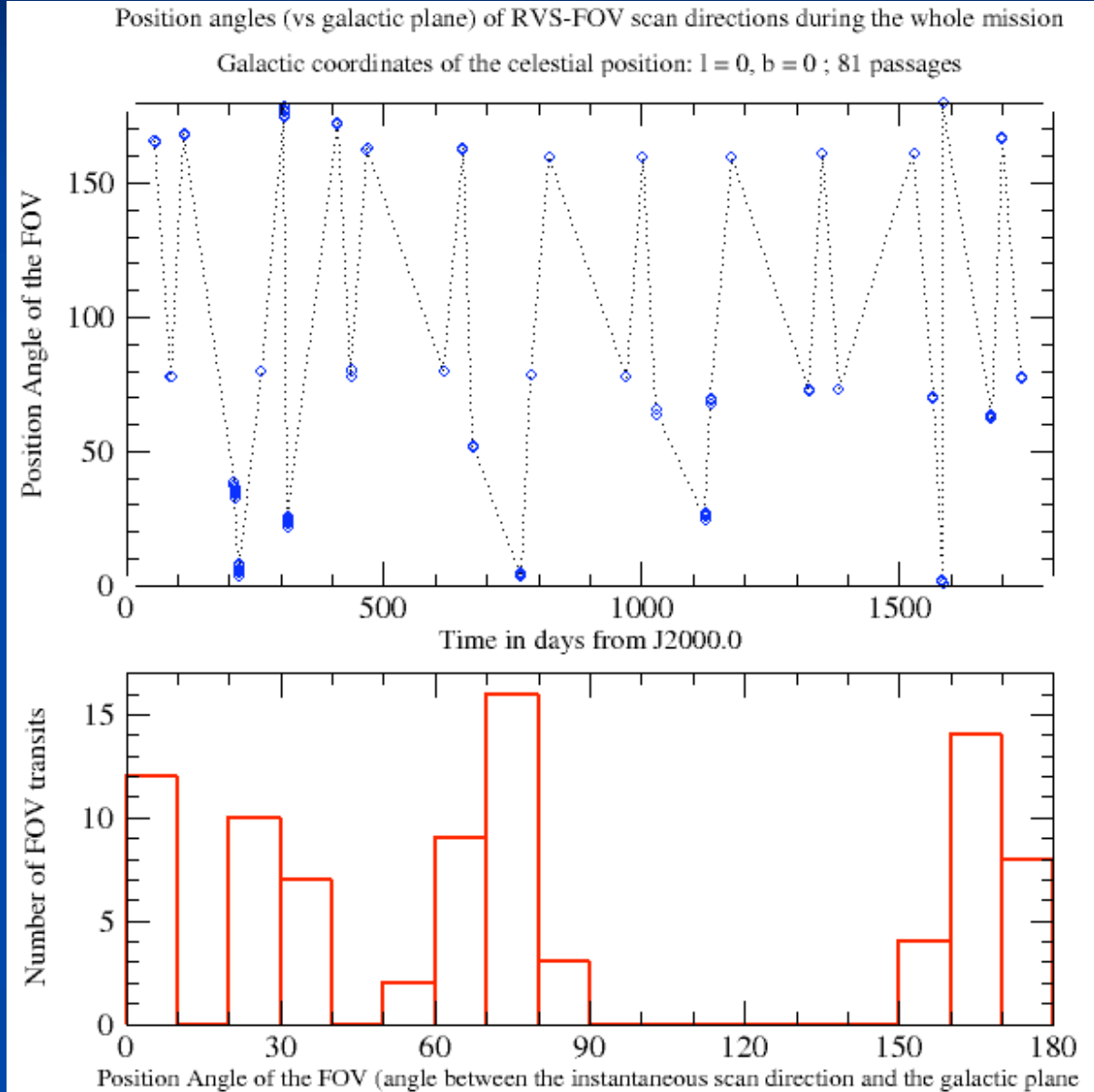
GAIA-CUO-100,
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CCD study uses gates and 1x1 samples

The scanning law

Scanning directions

- Far from being uniform...
- Render detection of some couples difficult



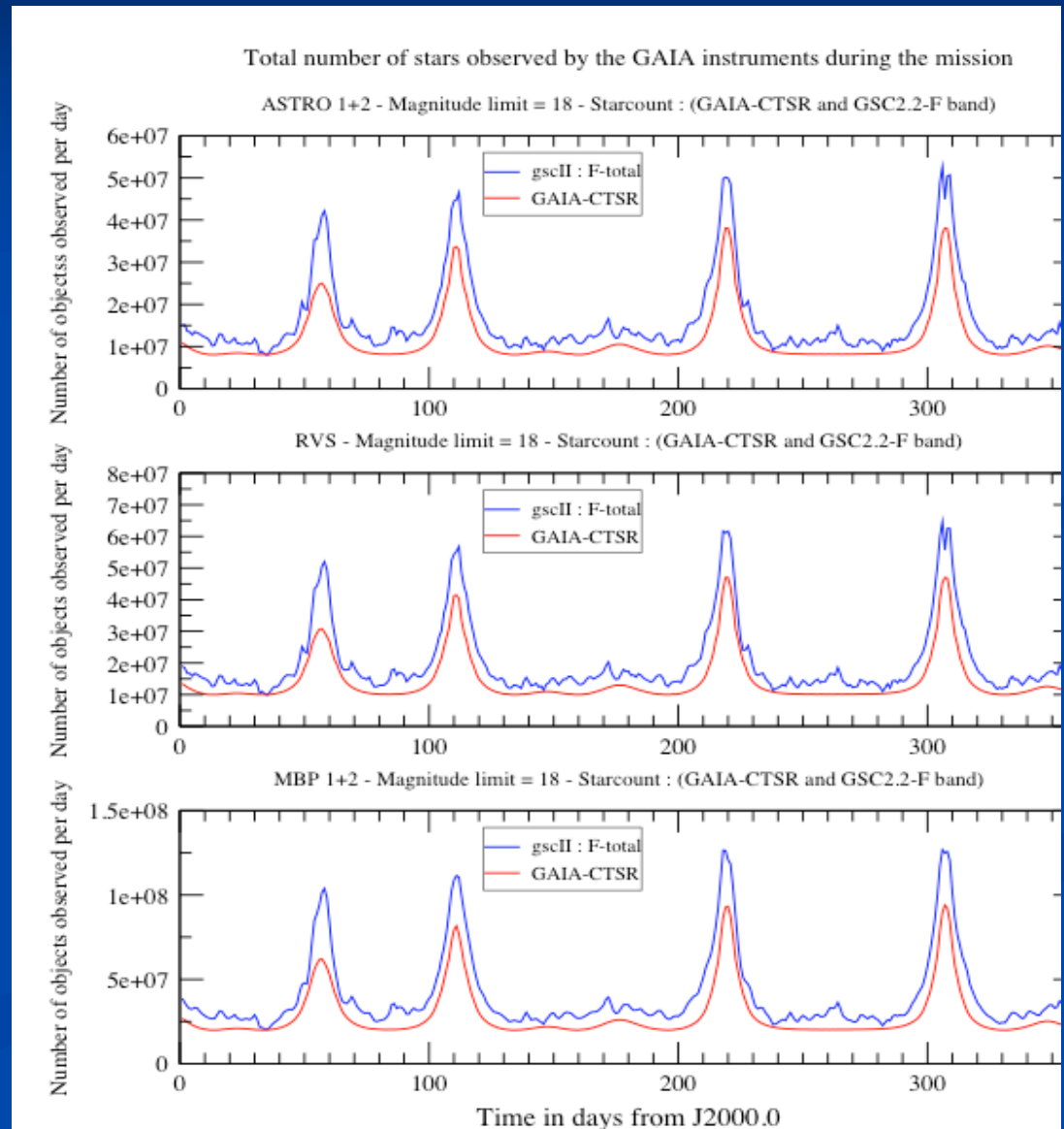
From Y. Viala

Peaks and valleys

- Telemetry by Yves Viala
- Using GSC II
- Astro and MBP to be extrapolated to $G=20$
- Data peaks are due to great circles along the galactic plane
- Between two data peaks, stars fainter than 20 could be sent (second priority)

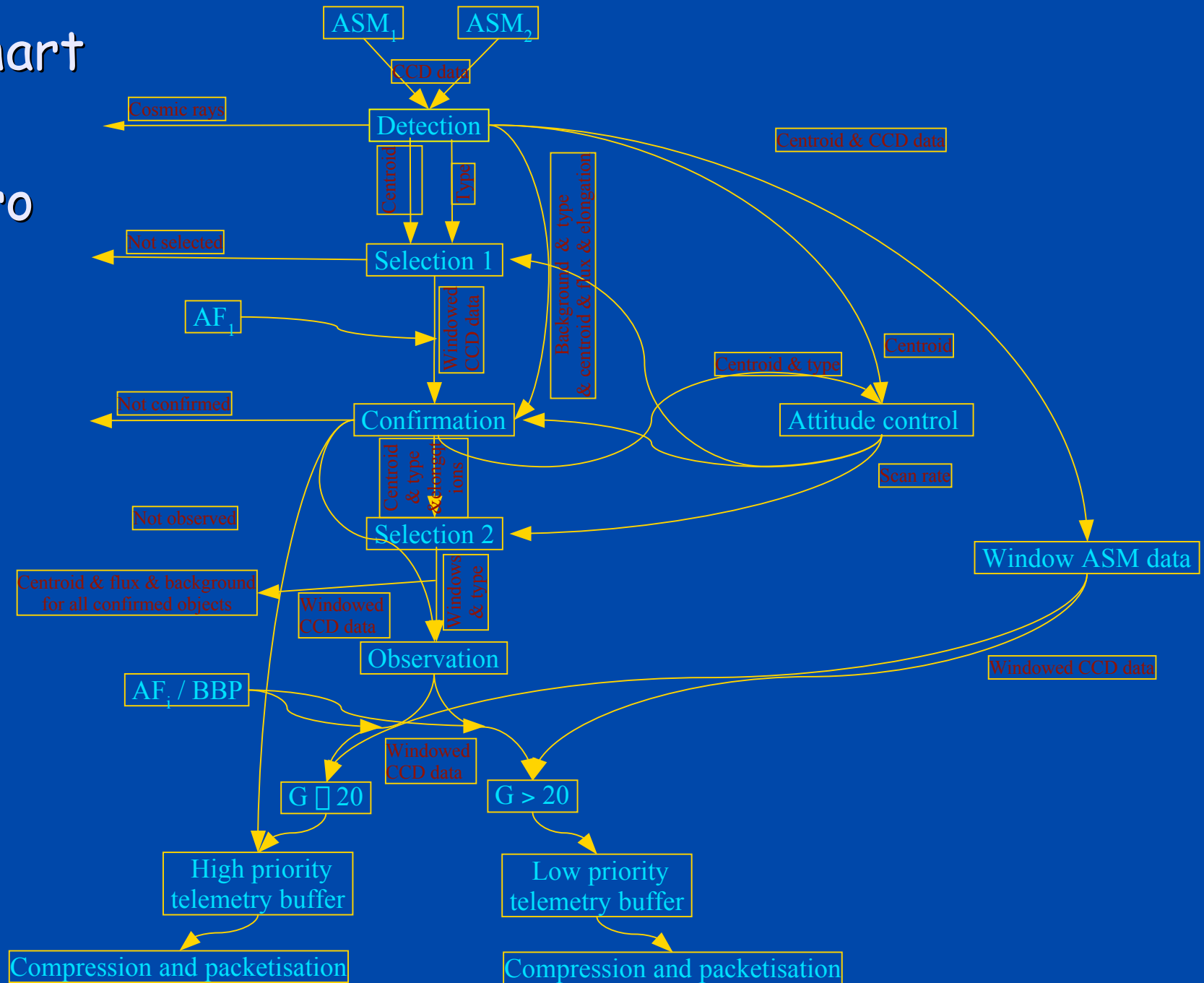
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Observing strategy

Flowchart in astro



Constraints

■ Scientific Requirements

- Highest precision along-scan
- Highest signal/noise : smallest read-out noise :
electronic binning
- Enough flux per object for on-ground
reconstruction (two close objects)

■ Technical Constraints

- CPU: limited instantaneous number of objects
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patches
- Number of samples AC fixed by the max. density
 - $3 \cdot 10^6$ in astro
 - $\sim 10^5$ in MBP, TBC

■ DMS need to get components into patches

- Companions should be detected to be in AF1
(otherwise secondary not observed)
- Companions can further be detected in AF1
- Companions should be correctly centred

■ Particles (TBC)

- Cosmic rays
- Solar protons
- For 4% time at sunspot maximum,
rate could be much larger than star rate
- Two levels of rejection:
 - Shape
 - AF1 confirmation
- Isolated particles give less constraints than
those superimposed on stars (fake DMS)

Window allocation

■ Confirmation

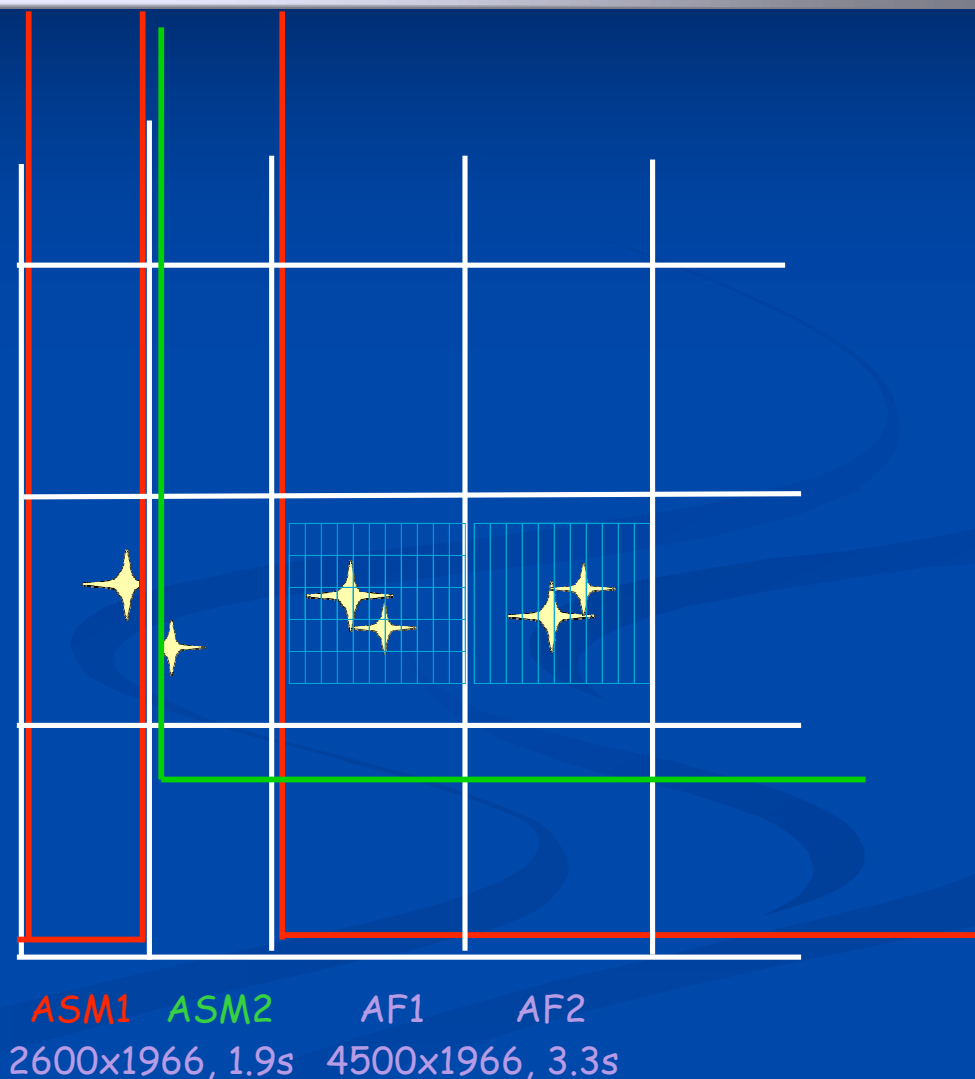
- Detection algorithm is run on the AF1 window.
- Cross-matching based on centroid position
- If cross-matching fails: false detection
- A larger AF1 window for NEOs when low density?

■ Scan rate and prediction of positions

- If one object in ASM and one in AF1 and object identified as star, then delta position is added to a list for scan rate computation
- If delta position too large and object elongated and low density, then followed as NEO; else the scan rate is used to predict the position of object

■ Allocation of windows

- It may happen that the edge of CCD is reached, then download only AF1-5
- It may happen that ASM1 and ASM2 objects overlap so the allocation of windows needs to take this into account



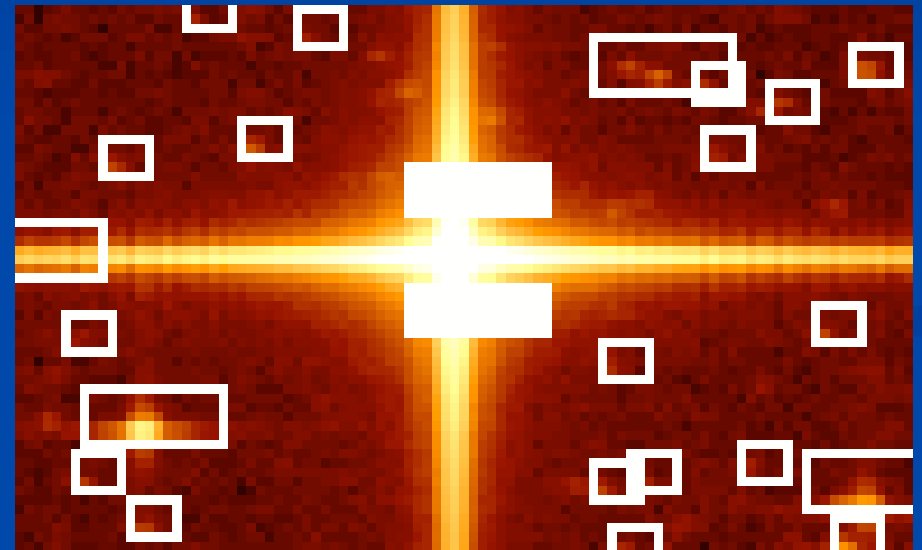
Placement and selection

■ Placement of windows

- Maximum number of samples allowed per row
- None of its samples overlap with other windows
- May be overlapping in AF1
- So that a shift (no more of 2 pixels) is allowed (for DMS)

■ Selection

- First-read first-kept basis
- When bright star can't be observed, last faint windows may be suppressed
- Except if faint star is a companion to the bright star in which case both should be obtained



Patches for double stars (S. Söderhjelm)

■ Proposal for Gaia 2 design

■ Patch sizes

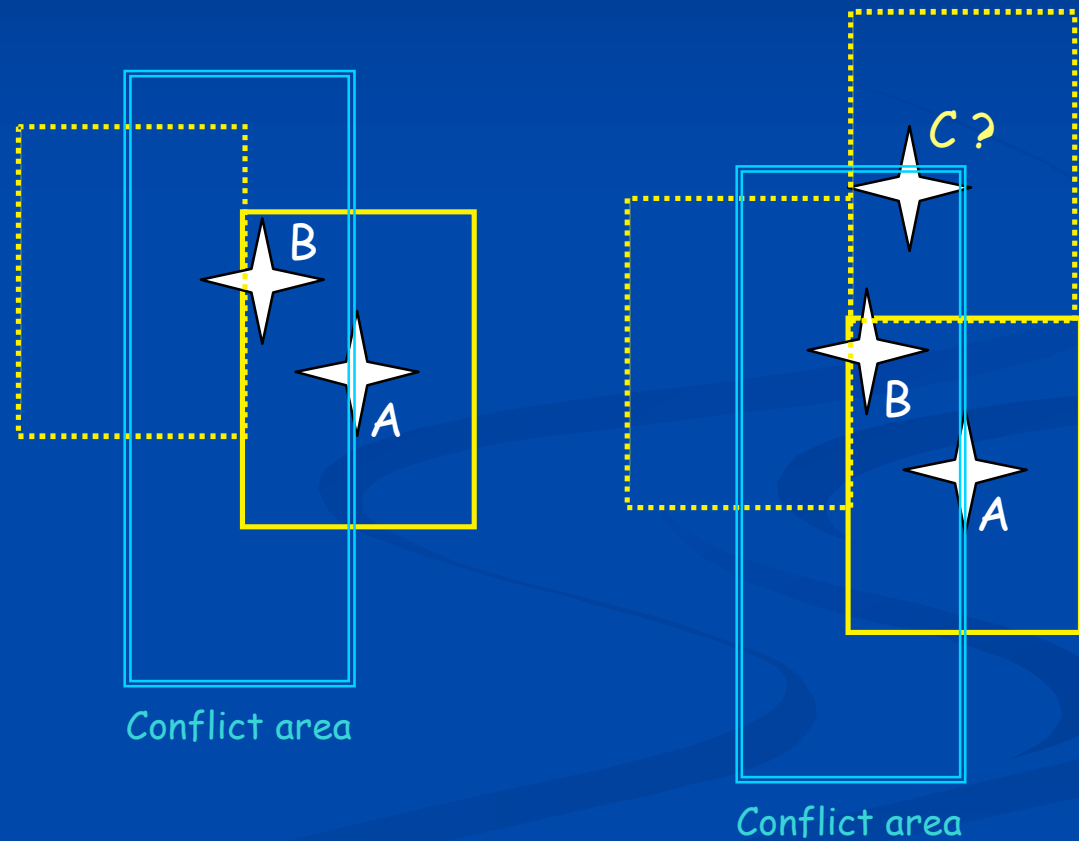
| | single | double |
|-----------------|------------|--------|
| ■ $G < 12$ | (3+3) 16x4 | idem |
| ■ $12 < G < 17$ | 16x14 | 16x14 |
| ■ $G > 17$ | 6x10 | 16x14 |

■ Adopted for tracking

- $G < 12$: it is looked into the 6 spike patches and if there is a companion inside a patch: if priority to bright stars is assumed, the bright star patch is kept; otherwise the patch of the first to arrive is kept.
- $12 < G < 17$: if along-scan and across-scan separation are ≤ 14 pixels, one patch is taken, centered on the geocentre else two patches are taken, with the single star patch size
- $G > 17$: if along-scan and across-scan separation are ≤ 8 pixels, one patch centered on the geocentre else two small patches are taken

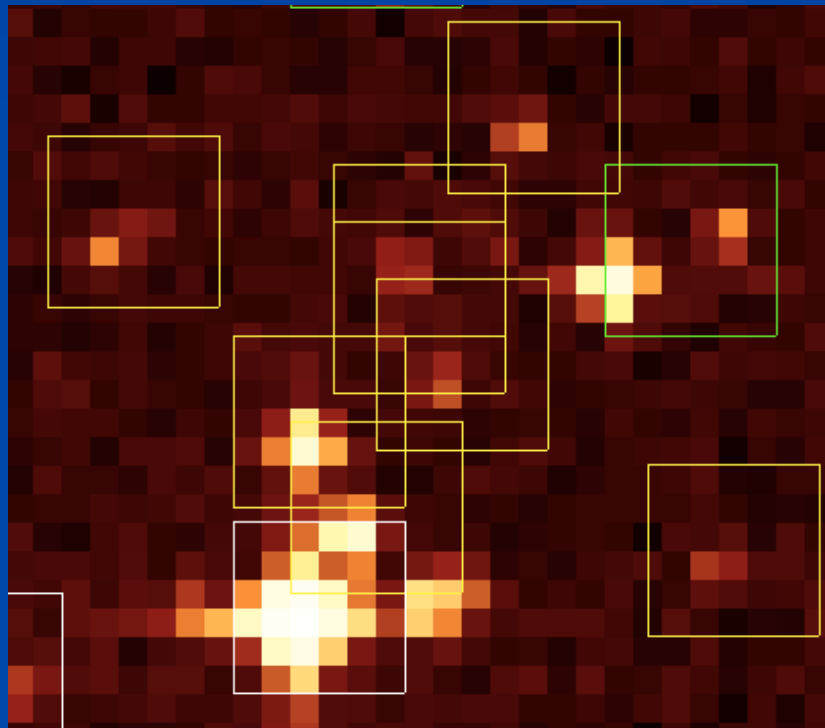
Proposal for DMS patches (E. Høg)

- Window allocation for double stars
 - First in, first kept
- Complexity
 - Adaptation to multiple stars
 - Dense areas in astro
 - Galactic plane in MBP/spectro
 - Increase of telemetry



DMS treatment

- Which model is the best?
- Tests have to be done for multiples

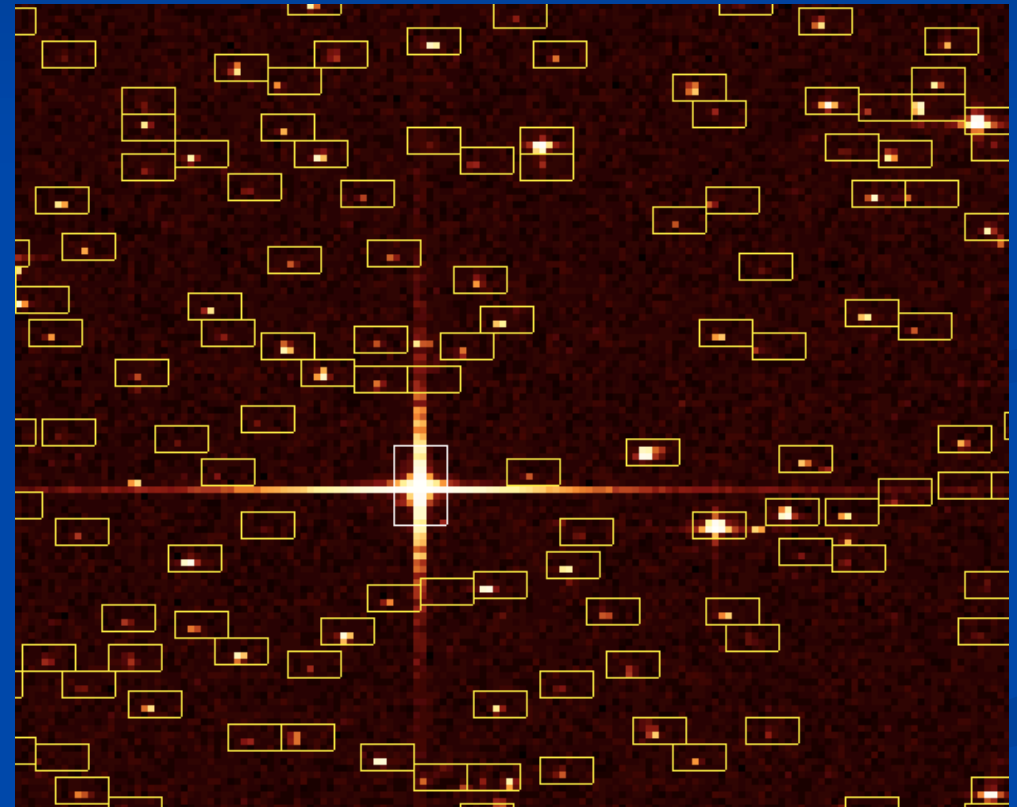


- Observing strategy for special objects
 - one (or two) supplementary windows may be allocated
 - allocation of supplementary windows may also occur after the AF1 (better resolution, better S/N, 12x6 samples)
- Window placement for multiple objects
 - Barycenter in ASM compared to AF1 barycenter
 - If no object is found in the AF1 window, ASM detection is considered as false
 - If less objects in AF1, ASM is considered as containing cosmic ray and AF1 position is adopted
 - If more objects in AF1 and total flux larger, the ASM is considered as reference (cosmic ray)
 - Cosmic rays perturb all this

MBP and RVS

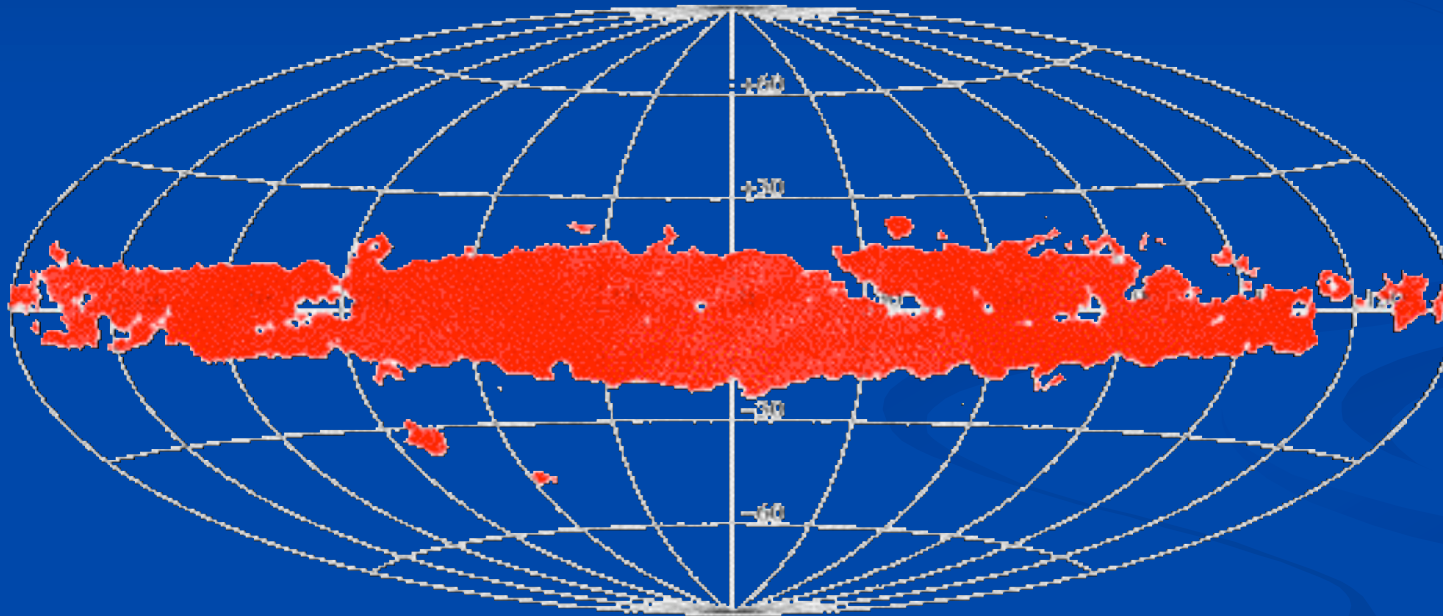
MBSM/RVSM

- In MBP
 - Confirmation using the flux sum of 15 MBP?
- Strategy in RVSM
 - Detections then cross-correlations,
 - Up to a density of 100 000 stars/deg²
 - NEOs recognised by their velocity
- A lot of DMS even in non-crowded fields



RVS full CCDs

- Design now consolidating: baseline $R=11500$, 3 CCDs, tilt mechanism
- When crowding is such high that the RVS CCD should be entirely downloaded:



- Galactic coordinates, limiting magnitude=17, $R=11500$, row/spectrum=2
- Means a *lot* of superimposed spectra
- **Dedicated reduction for DMS**

From Y. Viala

Status

- Requirement document for on-board processing to be issued mid-april
- Implementation done 6 months ago
 - Currently uses Staffan's patches
 - Implements part of these requirements only
 - Needs coding with better standards
- Recent effort has been put on detection
- Next 6 months devoted to implementation of these requirements
 - Needs for tests, in particular multiple stars
 - Perturbation by level of particles
 - Complexity in MBSM/RVSM