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Overview

- Opto-Mechanical Requirements
- Optical Layout and Folding
- Optical Bench and Support Structure
- Functional Blocks
- Filter Wheels
- Cold Pupil to Etalon Change











Opto-Mechanical Requirements

- Ease of alignment and maintenance over 5-10 year lifetime
- Provide a stable instrument support structure
 - \cdot \leq 1/2 pixel image shift during 20 minute integration
 - · Centering repeatability to ≤ 5 arcsec throughout a 180° rotation
 - · Negligible change in image quality throughout a 180° rotation
- Provide light-tight baffling along optical path
- Field stop at telescope focal plane (warm)
- Suspended mass < 500 lbs. (estimated at 330 lbs.)
- Torque off rotator < 1500 lbs. (estimated at 1000 ft-lbs.)
- Provide support cart with electronics



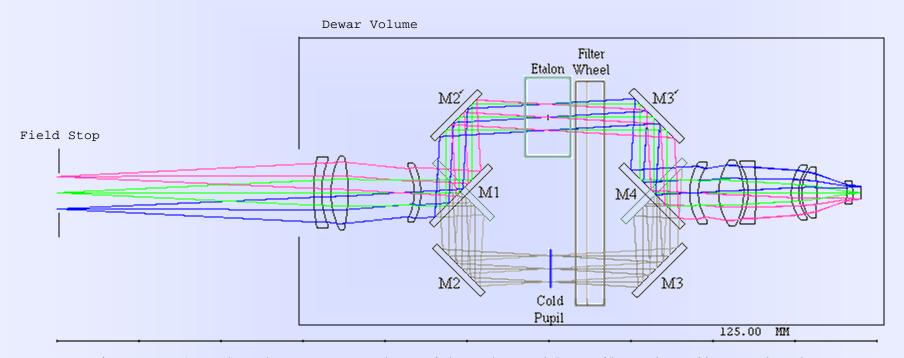








Optical Layout



- Mirrors M1 and M4 rotate to select either the cold pupil or the Filter Wheel
- Mirrors M2, M2′, M3 and M3′ are stationary
- Length 1.22 m (48 inches) from telescope focal plane to focal plane array
- 0.81 m (32 inches) from field lens to focal plane array
- Width 230 mm (9 inches) between cold pupil and etalon centers











Optical Bench and Support Structure

- Support structure based on Ohio State's G10 ring design
 - OSIRIS, TIFKAM, ANDICAM and FLAMINGOS use this design

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- CTIO version of NIC-FPS was to use this design
- G10 ring fabricated of layers of 1/32 inch sheet wrapped over a mandrel and epoxied together
- Optical bench is cantilevered
 - Flexure ~10 arcsec from to vertical horizontal
 - FLAMINGOS flexes 44 μm over its 870 mm length
 - Optical alignment is independent of dewar shell
- Optical bench provides a long, wide flat surface (up to 32 x 12 inches)

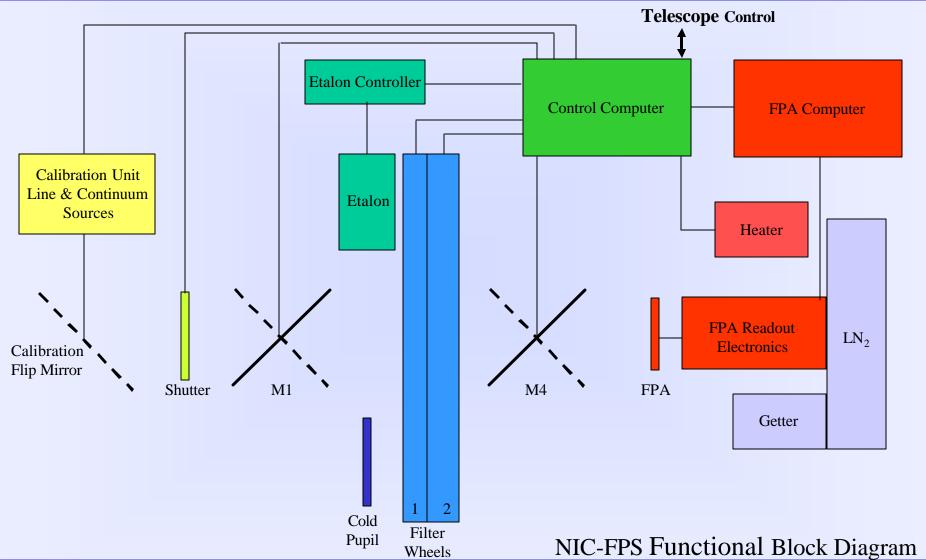






















Filter Wheels

- 2 x 10 slots filter wheels provides up to 18 slots for filters and 2 open slots
- Outer Diameter ~ 315 mm (12.4 inches)
- Nominal filter size 65 mm dia. x 5 mm thick, 5° tilt
- Face loading for easy insertion and removal
- < 90 seconds for full rotation, ~ 10 seconds between slots
- Direct filter position readout.
 - Binary readout of 4 microswitches when filter is in position











Cold Pupil to Etalon Mode Change

- Rotate M1 and M4 to select modes
- Direct detent readout on M1 and M4
- < 90 seconds access time between modes
- Image repeatability of ≤ 5 arcsec. when returning to a given mode
- Image shift of ≤ 30 arcsec. between modes











Under Review

- Lens, Mirror and Filter mount designs
- Cold pupil alignment technique

ARC Input

- Centering tolerances
- Flexure









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