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THE INT PHOTOMETRIC Ha SURVEY



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IPHAS Overview

- WFC at 2.5m INT, La Palma
- 4 CCD
- FOV ~ 0.25 sq. deg
- 0.33 "/pixel
- 1850 sq. deg. of the northern galactic plane
- -5 < b < 5
- 30 < | < 215
- Filters: Halpha 120s, r 30s, i 10s







IPHAS – Introduction

IPHAS – Observing Statistics

- Observations started in 2003
- Mostly bright time
- Field/Offset Field strategy
 - Covers CCD gaps
 - Provides overlap for calibration
 - Ensures 2 measurements / source
- 7635 fields
- 15270 pointings
- Area finished on 08. Dec. 2008
- Reobservations ongoing
- Final Data Quality criteria
 - FWHM < 2 arcsec
 - Ellipticity < 0.2



IPHAS – Observing



Observing "Problems":

- Moon passes through plane near anti-GC => dark time
- Winter weather in La Palma

Unfortunately both issues correlate

IPHAS – Observing

IPHAS Object selections to date mainly based on field pairs:

- Emitters (Witham et al., 2008)
- Symbiotics (Corradi et al., 2008)
- Point source PNe (Viironen et al., 2009)
- Extended PNe (Sabin et al., unpublished)
- ERSOs (Wright et al., 2008)
- High Proper Motion IPHAS-POSS I (Deacon et al., 2009)
- Accreting low mass stars (Valdivielso et al., 2009)
- Variable Stars (Greimel, unpublished)

Global selections require **global** calibration => work ongoing (see talk by Brent Miszalski)

Global calibration also delivers important information about fields that need to be reobserved. (Currently \sim 160 field pairs, \sim 2 % of the survey area).

IPHAS – Source Catalogues

Global selection of Halpha Emitters

- Apply photometry offsets from global calibration
- Select stellar sources (class -1 or -2) in all bands
- r-Ha > 0.06 and
- r-Ha > -0.015 + 0.675*(r-i) -0.098*(r-i)^2 + 3*sigma(r-Ha)
- => 3242449 Measurements selected
- Clearly lots of garbage -> look at stamps of outliers



Data Problems – Mirror Oscillation -> reobserve



Data Problems – Clouds -> reobserve



Data Problems – Astrometry -> recreate catalog



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Data Problems – Source detection/matching -> get Mike to improve Software ;-)



- Looking at outliers is important for QC (finding bad data), but will not significantly reduce candidates.
- It will however provide hints on selection refinements that should drastically reduce the number of candidates

For example:

#candidates	%	selection refinement
3242449	100	initial selection
3091324	95	mag<22
2618597	81	mag<21
2656680	82	dpos<0.5 arcsec
2402369	74	dpos<0.1 arcsec
2369305	73	single (magnitude only assigned to 1 object)

- Apply single, mag<22 and dpos<0.5 arcsec
- => 2337974 (72%) Measurements selected
- Outliers clearly much reduced, but still too many candidates
- Natural spread of unreddened main sequence
 add offset to r-Ha selection criterion



IPHAS – Example Selection Emitters

- Apply single, mag<22 and dpos<0.5 arcsec (as before)
- Shift selection line upward by 0.075 mag in r-Ha
- r-Ha > 0.075 -0.015 + 0.675*(r-i) -0.098*(r-i)^2 + 3*sigma(r-Ha)
- => 233532 (7.2%) Measurements selected
- Much improved numbers, but still impossible outliers
- => require (at least) two detections/source



IPHAS – Example Selection Emitters

- Apply single, mag<22, dpos<0.5 arcsec, shift r-Ha 0.075 (as before)
- Require (at least) two selected measurements/source
- => 46134 (1.4%) Measurements selected
- => 21681 candidate emission line stars
- Note reduced colour range of candidates in final selection
- Further check on extreme outliers necessary



Asteroids in IPHAS

- Ecliptic crosses the galactic plane close to the GC and anti-GC.
- Up to ~10/asteroids per IPHAS image
- Main belt asteroids move with dRA< 45"/hr, dDec<20"/hr
- 3 Minutes between Halpha and i image (mid exposure)
 -> movement is < 2.5" or 8 pixel
- Movement during exposures: Halpha<1.6", r<0.28", i<0.14"
- Most asteroids will appear stellar and as one object in the merged catalogue



IPHAS – Asteroids

Asteroid (13812) 1998 YR r~17 mag

- Not visible in top and bottom images
- Position shifts between Halpha, r and i image
- If this was a variable star it would have to brighten from r>22 to r~17 mag in less than 2 hours
- At MPC expected position

05:58:41.48 + 26:00:41.8



Asteroid (25) Phocaea r~12 mag

- The brightest asteroid found on IPHAS images
- Position shifts between Halpha, r and i image
- Visible in middle and bottom images



Asteroid (1263) Varsavia r~15 mag

- More crowded area closer to GC
- Visible in first but not in second set of images

19:00:38.11 + 11:25:10.5



intphas_4426 r 2004-07-10 00:33:49.8 UT



Asteroid (1031) Arctica r~14 mag

- More crowded area closer to GC
- Visibly moved within and between set of IPHAS images

18:51:30.22 -01:18:37.0

intphas_4242 r 2004-06-13 01:05:32.4 UT

5 min

intphas_4242o r 2004-06-13 01:10:23.1 UT



Things To Do:

- Check all IPHAS (and UVEX) observations for known asteroids
- Search for unknown fast moving objects
 - Select sources that shift in the same direction between Halpha and r images and between r and i images. (Problem: Seeing, astrometric accuracy, ...)
 - Select (bright) sources that are visible only at one epoch
- Report positions to MPC

IPHAS – Asteroids

QSOs in IPHAS

An odd source from spectroscopic follow up



=> QSO at z=0.105 (Chris Benn)

Where do QSOs appear in the IPHAS colour-colour diagram ?

- Best source for QSO spectra is SDSS
- Fold SDSS spectra with IPHAS filter curves and CCD
- Look at resulting colours as a function of redshift

r-Halpha

Peaks at redshifts where emission lines are shifted into Halpha filter: z=0.32 OIII

- 0.35 Hbeta
- 0.51 Hgamma
- 2.44 CIII
- 3.27 CIV
- 4.41 Ly Alpha

r-i mostly "constant", Ly Alpha at z~4-5





Is it easy to select high-z QSOs in IPHAS ?

In principle yes, but



... they are likely too faint for IPHAS :-(

Another odd source from spectroscopic follow up



=> QSO at z=1.35 (Chris Benn)

IPHAS – QSOs

(plus a few QSOs from UVEX spectroscopic follow up)



IPHAS – Galaxies

IPHAS – Stellar Density Map (Hywel Farnhill, U. Hertfordshire)

- All sources with classification -1,-2 and +1, r < 19
- Black = high density, White = low density



IPHAS – Stellar Density / CO Comparison

IPHAS – Stellar Density Map (Hywel Farnhill, U. Hertfordshire)

- Contours: CO-map from Dame et al., 2002
- Good anti-correlation of stellar density and CO



IPHAS – Stellar Density / CO Comparison



Thanks for listening :-)



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