

# Grism Spectroscopy

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# Summary

- What are grisms & how they work?
- HST & JWST capabilities
- Grism Tutorial



# **Basic Spectroscopy**



# How do grisms work?



- a combination of a prism and grating
- light at a chosen central wavelength passes straight through
- one and the same camera can be used both for imaging and spectroscopy
- · grisms are inserted into a collimated beam

image courtesy of Benjamin Weiner

# What is SLITLESS spectroscopy?



Fig. 3.— This example shows the process (Panels 1 through 4) of Object Based simulation, where the footprint of the object, shown on the left, is convolved with the spectral trace.

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# The 3D-HST Survey

Colors: F814W(B)/F125W(G)/F160W(R) 3dhst.research.yale.edu





## Motivation: What are the grisms good for?

- Rest-frame optical @ 0.5 < z < 2.5: high-z spectroscopic surveys
- Complete samples, high multiplexing : clusters of galaxies
- Spatially resolved emission lines: resolved emission line diagnostics
- Continuum sensitivity (low res): quiescent galaxies
- 10 x redshift accuracy over photometry: clustering, mergers
- Lots of great archival data (pst, 3D-HST just did a data dump: <u>http://</u> <u>3dhst.research.yale.edu</u>)
- Future grism capabilities: JWST/NIRISS, WFIRST, Euclid

# HST & JWST

Capabilities



## WFC3: Grism Spectroscopy



## WFC3/IR - G102 & G141 Grism (zY, JH)



• Always dither!

## WFC3/IR - Spatial Scanning Spectroscopy

- Slew telescope during exposure to collect more photons without saturation
  - reduce overheads for time series with short exposures
  - can observe bright objects
  - better spectrophotometry (more photons)
- 0 to 4.8 arcsec per sec with FGS; up to 7.84 arcsec per sec in gyro mode (see WFC3 ISR 2012-08 for recommendations)



see Knutson et al. 2014, Kreidberg et al. 2014 and McCullough et al. 2014

• Overlapping objects a greater issue

## WFC3/UV - G280 UV Grism

	Grism	Channel	Wavelength range (nm)	Resolving power <sup>1</sup>	Dispersion (nm/pixel)	Tilt (deg) <sup>2</sup>
	G280	UVIS	190–450	70 @ 300 nm	1.3	-3
n	G102	IR	800-1150	210 @ 1000 nm	2.45 <sup>3</sup>	+0.7
	G141	IR	1075-1700	130 @ 1400 nm	4.65 <sup>3</sup>	+0.5
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- Reference direct imaging: F300X or F200LP
- Dithering not recommended, use CR-SPLIT

### ACS - G800L





# Future Prospects





Capabilities science capabilities with dramatic improvements in:

- Sensitivity
- Resolution
- Bandpass

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Contam cleaned



**Emission line map** 





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 NIRCam F356W
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#### WFIRST GRS grism

- 0.28 deg<sup>2</sup> at a shot, 2400 deg<sup>2</sup> (!) High Latitude Survey (z for BAO, RSD, public survey)
- 2.4m telescope (≈HST)
- 1.3–1.9  $\mu$ m, R = 4 x G141 (e.g., just resolves Ha, [NII])



#### WFC3/G141







# WFIRST: 0.28 deg<sup>2</sup> / pointing, 2400 deg<sup>2</sup> total





# Grism Tutorial

Grizli





GOODS-S-34\_19576 323  $H_{140}$ =21.76  $z_{spec}$ =0.999  $z_{phot}$ =0.897  $z_{gris}$ =1.004  $\Delta z$ = 0.0027



Grism Processing Example

https://github.com/gbrammer/grizli



