Astrometric accuracy in astrowise

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Purpose

- Investigate astrometric and photometric accuracies reached by AW with the standard reduction
- Is it good enough for shear measurements in KIDS and accurate photo-Zs?
- Set Reqs. for KIDS
- Method: use DEEP3a data for which we have a good reference with Theli

DEEP 3a Dataset

- 30 WFI pointings i.e. 240 chips
- Exposure time = 300s (total=6.25 hours)
- 1.01<airmass<1.32
- 5 observing nights (9 nights)
- Selection:
 - seeing < 2" (median 0.8")
 - all airmasses
 - all nights
- Source extraction: Detect_Threshold =5 sigma

Methods

- Compare source positions on the regridded frames to the ones detected on Coadded frame for:
 - Astrowise: LDAC
 - Theli: Astrometrix
 - Scamp
- Compare quality and speed
- All data : 30 pointings
- One night : 16 pointings

Astrowise/LDAC: 1 chip, 30 p.

11852 sources

Nb=



UNTIL LAST WEEK!

Astrowise/LDAC: all chips, 18 selected pointings



Fig 19 from John's report, standard reduction. 18 selected pointings (5 plus 3 consecutive dithers)

RMS: 0.041" (RA) 0.038" (DEC)

SINCE LAST WEEK!!

Astrometrix - All chips, 30 p.

Nb= 83911 sources <dra> = 0.000 " FWHM 0.061 <ddec>= 0.000 " FWHM 0.033

WFI.all.wcs.D3AA.resamp_5sig.ascii.idl Deep3a_R.D3AA.swarp_5sig.ascii.idl



Scamp - All chips, 1 night (16 p.)

Nb= 41731 sources



Relative Photometry: 1 night, 1 CCD, photometric?



Summary

- <u>AW/LDAC:</u>
 - RA/DEC: 0.041"/0.038"
 - Detect_Threshold = 10
 - 18 **selected** pointings
 - 43000 associations
 improves to 0.025" with
 manual tweaking
- <u>Astrometrix</u>:
 - RA/DEC: 0.026"/0.014"
 - Detect_Threshold = 5
 - all 30 pointings
 - 84000 Associations
 - RA \sim 2x worse than DEC

- <u>SCAMP</u>:
 - RA/DEC:0.011"/0.010" as a first try (loose option)
 - Detect_Threshold = 5
 - All 16 pointings in 1 night (no limitation) but similar results with all nights
 - Can still be improved

5 very good reasons to install SCAMP in Astrowise

- It gives better results than LDAC without any refinement (a factor ~2-4)
- It is much faster (50 times for 16 WFI pointings 50mn/1mn)
- It has many options
- It derives absolute astrometry + global astrometry+relative photometry at ONCE
- It is maintained and updated