

(PRE-)PRE-STUDY FOR  
**KOREAN LARGE**  
**SPECTROSCOPY TELESCOPE**

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# ASTRONOMY & ASTROPHYSICS IN 2020s

- ▶ Arrival of 4<sup>th</sup> generation of telescopes and surveys including large telescopes (DESI, LSST, GMT, WFIRST, TMT, etc.)
- ▶ Going high resolution: Shifting from imaging to spectroscopy

**Seeking an opportunity to lead in wide-deep field multi-object spectroscopy (5<sup>th</sup> generation)**

# CURRENT AND NEAR-FUTURE STATUS

## ▶ 2000s-2010s

- ▶ Multi-object spectroscopy on the 2m-class telescopes
- ▶ Example: SDSS with a 2.5 meter size telescope

## ▶ 2020s

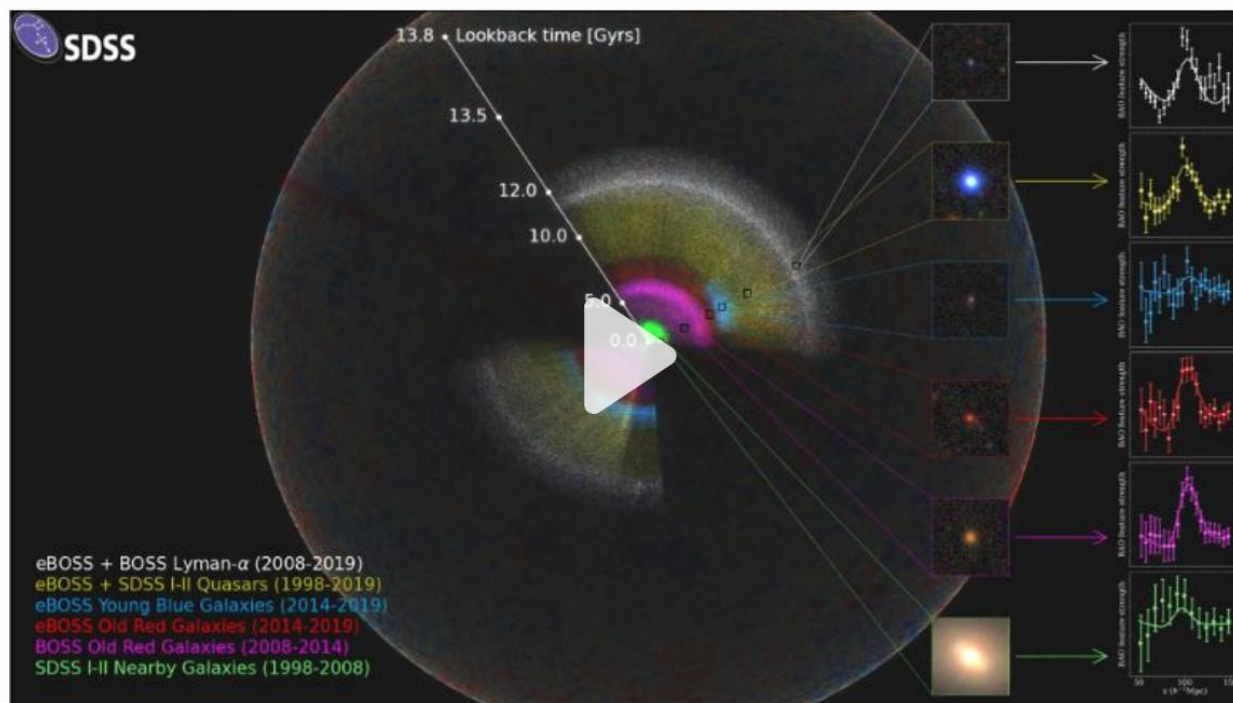
- ▶ Large-scale spectral surveys with the 3~4m-level telescopes
- ▶ Example: DESI with a 4 meter telescope and 5000 fibers

# 11 billion years of history in one map: Astrophysicists reveal largest 3D model of the universe ever created



By [Joshua Berlinger](#) and [Jessie Yeung](#), CNN

🕒 Updated 1748 GMT (0148 HKT) July 22, 2020



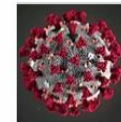
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**(CNN)** — A global consortium of astrophysicists have created the world's largest three-dimensional map of the universe, a project 20 years in the making that researchers say helps better explain the history of the cosmos.

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# CURRENT AND NEAR-FUTURE STATUS

- ▶ Korean community has participated in several international spectroscopy programs (SDSS & DESI).
- ▶ We also have access to spectrographs in current and future large & extremely large telescopes such as Gemini (8.1m) and GMT (24.5m).
- ▶ **We have been involved with various large programs, maybe its time to lead!**

## SPM-TWIN TELESCOPES: PROJECT OVERVIEW

J. Jesús González<sup>1</sup> and The SPM-Twin Project Team



TABLE 1  
GENERAL SPM-TWIN INSTRUMENT CONCEPT

	Wide-Field Telescope (WFT) (Modified Magellan/MMT)	Standard Field Telescope (SFT) (Updated Magellan/MMT)
Optimized for:	Wide-Integral-Field Spectroscopy	Multi-purpose Seeing-limited Visible-IR Astronomy and AO prepared
Field of view:	$\Phi \geq \sim 1.5^\circ$	$\Phi \sim 1.5'$ (seeing limited) $\Phi \sim 1'$ (with AO)
Operation Range:	Visible to NIR (0.32–1.8 $\mu$ m)	Visible to Mid-IR ( $\sim 0.4 - 28\mu$ m)
Spatial Resolutions	Seeing-limited (Narrow-Band imaging) $\sim 1'' - 3''$ Spaxel-limited sampling (Integral-Field Spectroscopy)	Seeing-limited (normal mode)  Diffraction limited (AO mode)
Spectral Resolutions	$\sim 4000$ (IF Spectroscopy) $\leq \sim 1000$ (Tunable N-B imaging)	Wide range (science instrument suite)
1 <sup>st</sup> Generation Instrumentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Wide-Field &amp; Atmospheric Dispersion Corrector system</li> <li>b) Deployable single-spaxel and Integral-Field units, coupled to a suit of spectrographs, for simultaneous full-range spectra spectra of thousands of objects</li> <li>c) Wide-Field Imager (Tunable Narrow-Band)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Secondary set (Nass/Cass/AO)</li> <li>b) High-Resolution Visible &amp; Near-Infrared Spectrographs</li> <li>c) NIR/AO Science Instrument</li> <li>d) Mid-IR New-Generation Instrument</li> </ul> Ready to accommodate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Artificial-Star System &amp; Adaptive secondary mirror</li> <li>(ii) Guest &amp; Replicated Instruments</li> </ul>

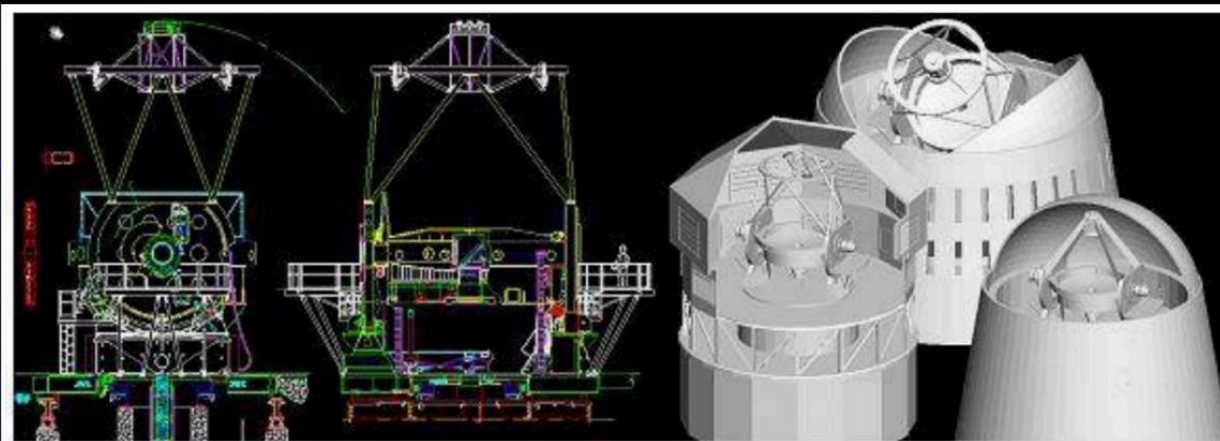


Fig. 6. Examples of detailed Magellan proprietary drawings and design updates. Some potential upgrades and optimizations are also shown: a higher building (for better seeing at SPM), wind-flow optimized dome, top-end of telescope optimizations for a wide-field secondary of WFT and low-emissivity SFT.

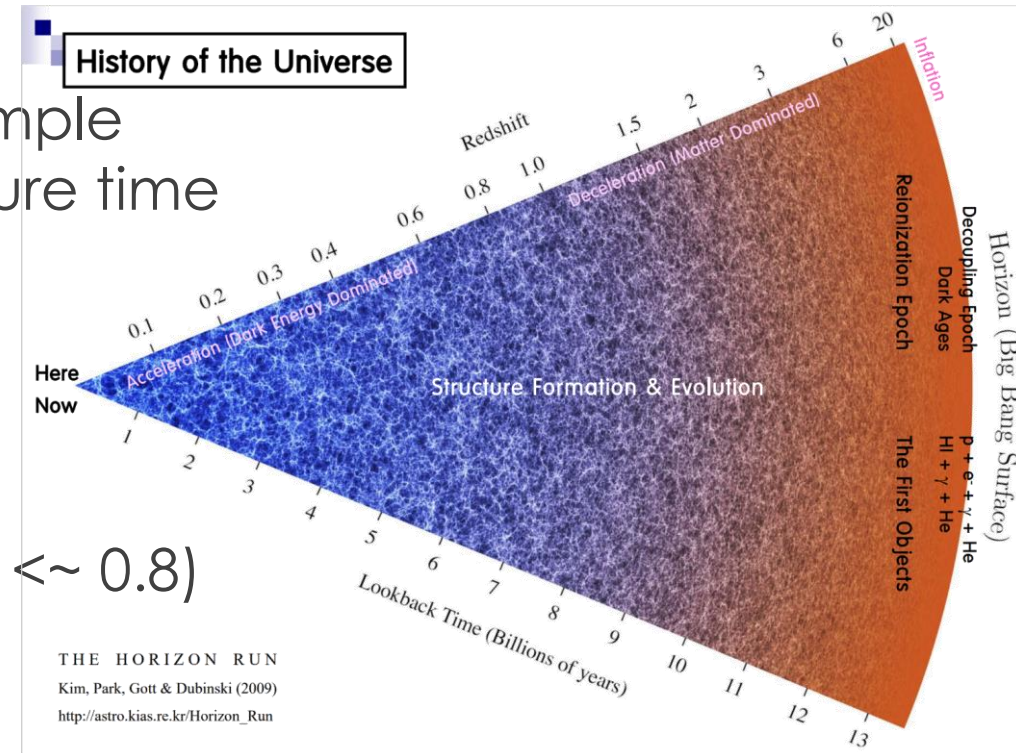
# 6.5M-CLASS SPECTROSCOPIC SURVEY?

## ► Why **6.5m-class**?

- To get scientifically meaningful spectrum sample at Hubble distance ( $z \sim 1$ ) with 1-hour exposure time

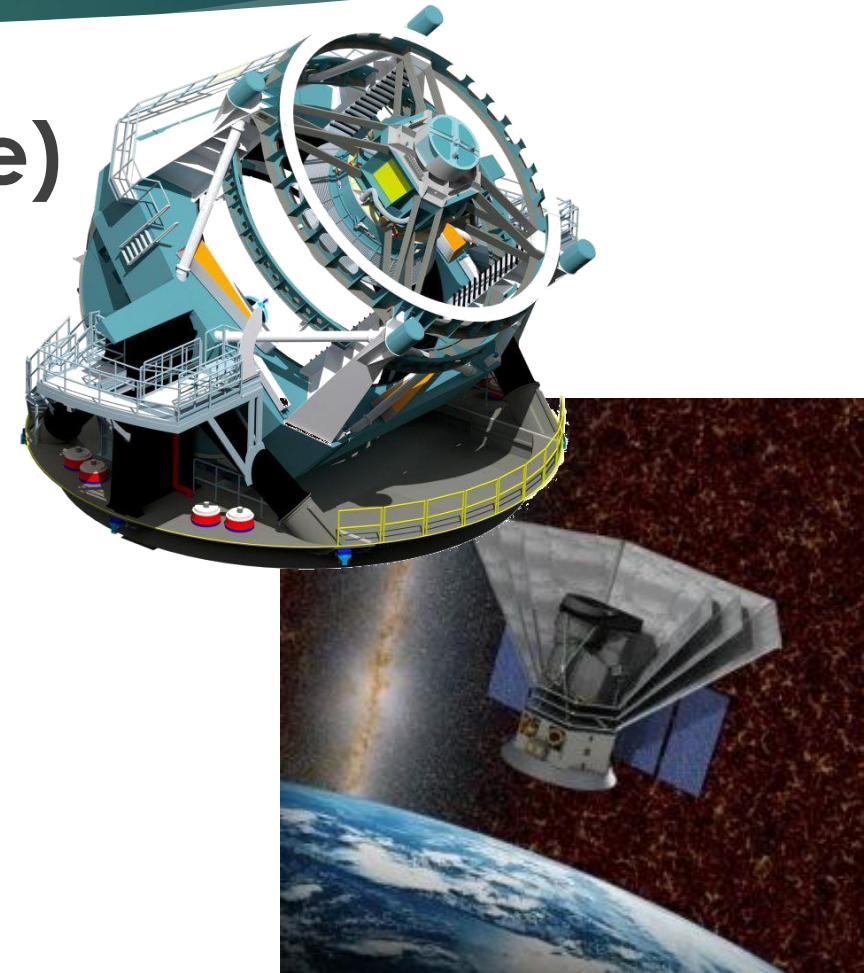
## ► Why **Flux-limited Survey**?

- To maximize the sample density at the limited dark energy-dominated era ( $z < \sim 0.8$ )
- To study various astrophysical phenomena other than just dark energy



# 6.5M-CLASS SPECTROSCOPIC SURVEY?

- ▶ **Synergy with other surveys (example)**
  - ▶ Full follow-up spectroscopic observations of LSST
  - ▶ Complementary of SPHEREx with higher spatial/spectral resolutions & different wavelength

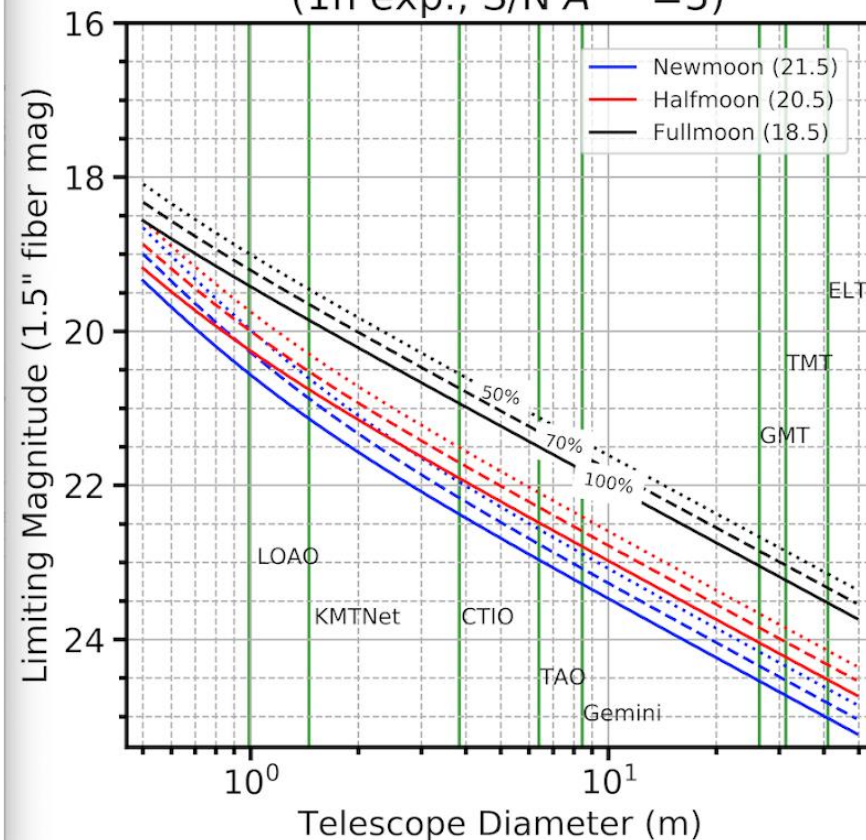




# SURVEY SPECIFICATION (TENTATIVE)

Name	Limiting mag.	Exposure	Goal (S/N)	Fiber Size	Spectral Resolution
SDSS/Main SDSS/BOSS (2.5m)	$r_{Pet}=17.77$ $r_{cModel}<19.5$ (LOWZ) $i_{cModel}<19.9$ (CMAS S)	45 min 90 min	10 per Ang. $S/N_i^2 > 20$	3" 2"	~1800 ~1500-2200
DESI/BGS (4m)	$r_{(Mod)}=19.5$	10 min	- minimum S/ N (~3?)	1.5"	2000-5000
MSE (10m)	$i < 23$ (where $r-i=0-1$ )	60 min	Not yet?	1"	2000-3500, 6000, 40000
This Study (6.5m)	$r_{Petro} \sim 21.5 \Rightarrow \sim 22$ (if $S/N \sim 3$ per spectral resolution) <b>Fully flux-limited data</b>	60 min	$S/N \sim 3$ per Ang. g.	1.5"	1000-2000?

r-band Limiting Magnitude  
(1h exp.,  $S/N \text{ \AA}^{-1} = 3$ )



# SURVEY SPECIFICATION (TENTATIVE)

Telescope (Project name)	Primary Mirror Diameter	Maximum Instrumental FoV	Etendue ( $A\Omega$ [ $m^2 \text{deg}^2$ ])
Mayall (DESI)	4m	3.2 deg.	101
Blanco	4m	2.2 deg.	47.8
VISTA (4MOST)	4.1m	2.6 deg.	70.1
WHT (WEAVE)	4.2m	2 deg.	43.5
MMT	6.5m	1 deg.	26.1
MegaMapper	6.5m	3 deg.	235
Subaru (HSC)	8.2m	1.5 deg.	93.3
Rubin Obs. (LSST)	8.4m	3.5 deg.	533
MSE	11.3m	1.5 deg.	177

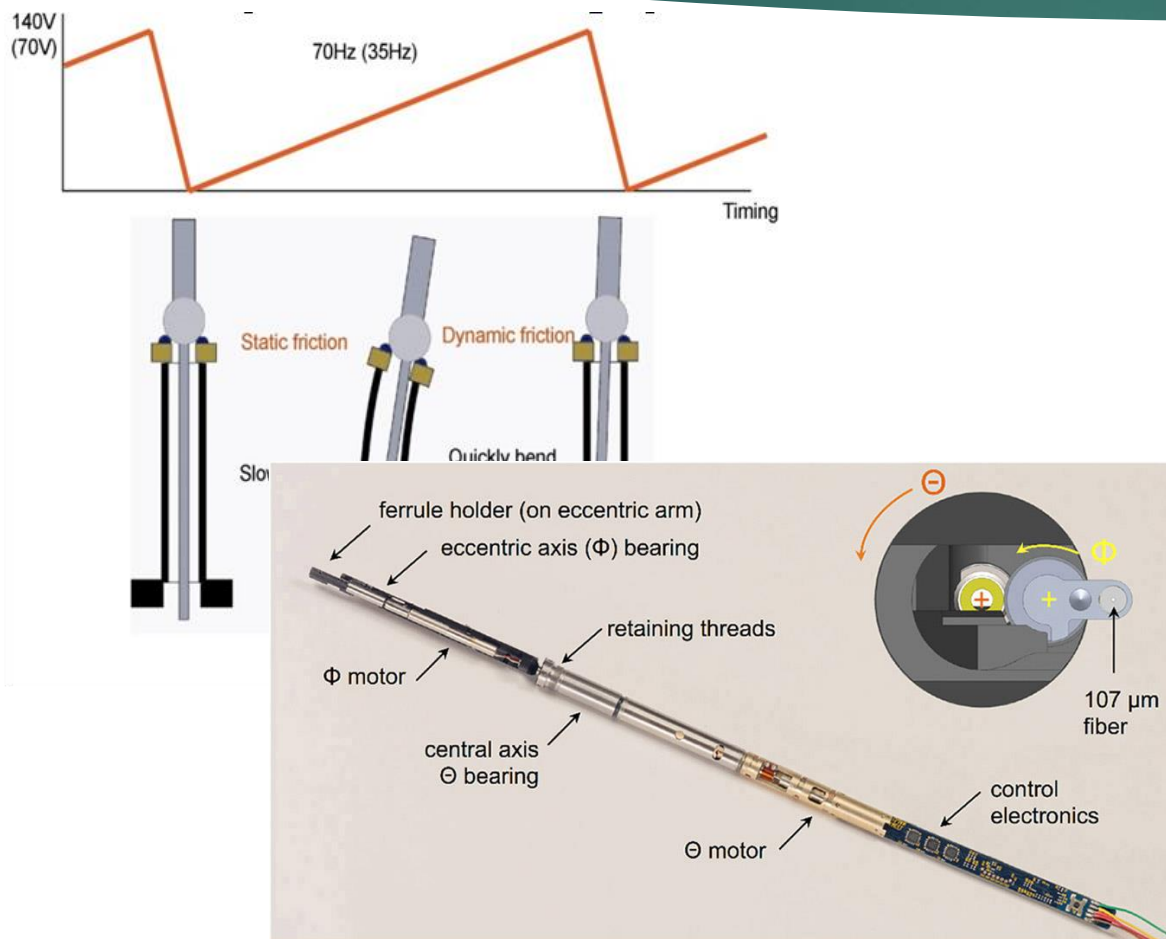
**Survey Coverage ( $\text{deg}^2$ )**  
3,000 (shallow) + 300 (deep)

**FoV Diameter (deg.)**  
~2 (min.) / ~3 (goal)

**Max. Multiplex**  
~10,000 (min.) / ~70,000 (goal)

**Spectral Resolution**  
 $R \sim 2,000$  ( $\Delta v \sim 30\text{-}40 \text{ km/s}$ )

# MULTIPLEX SPECIFICATION (TENTATIVE)



## Robotic Fiber Positioner

- Mean separation:  $\sim 4.6$  mm
- Positional accuracy:  $< \sim 10$   $\mu\text{m}$
- Possible options
  - Echidna (FMOS)
  - Theta-phi (DESI, A-SPEC)

**Fiber Core Diameter: 75  $\mu\text{m}$**

# BUDGET (INITIAL GUESS)

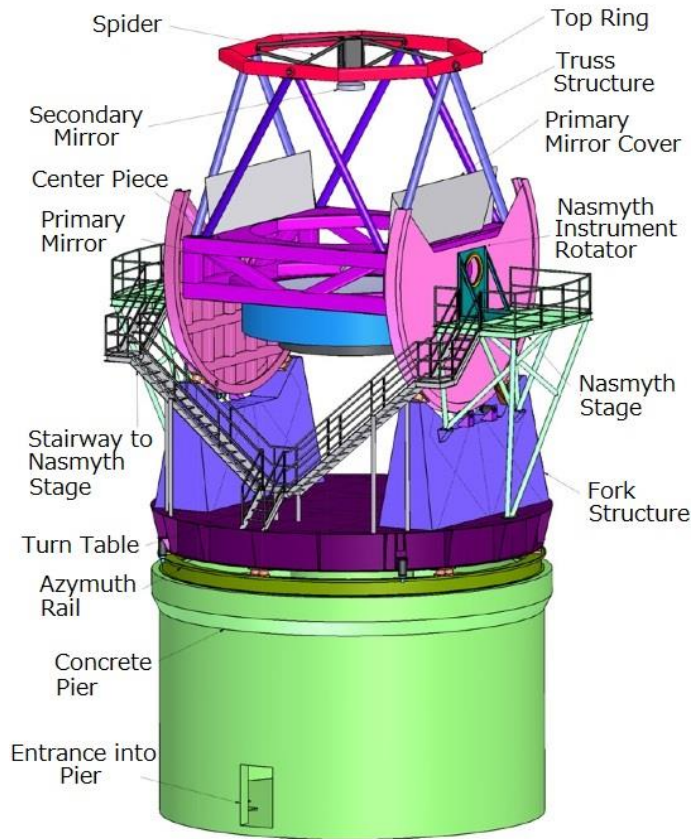
Item	Budget (USD)
Telescope	>> 70M
Secondary Mirrors	> 10M
Wide-field Corrector	> 70M
Focal Plane	> 20M
Fiber Positioner System	> 5M
Spectrograph	> 20-50M

**OUTDATED**  
**NOT FULLY STUDIED**  
**(PROBABLY HIGHLY)**  
**UNDERESTIMATED**

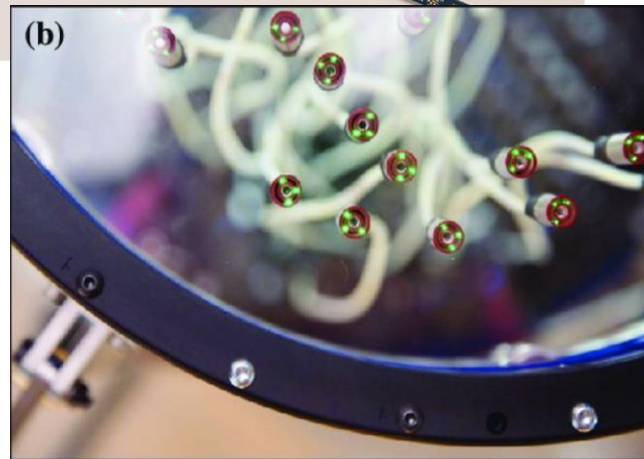
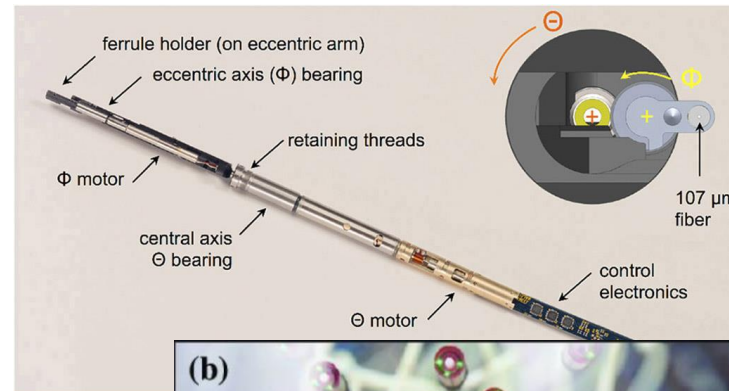
**No single ordinary project can afford this!**

- Need to convince **government**
- Need **community** input & support

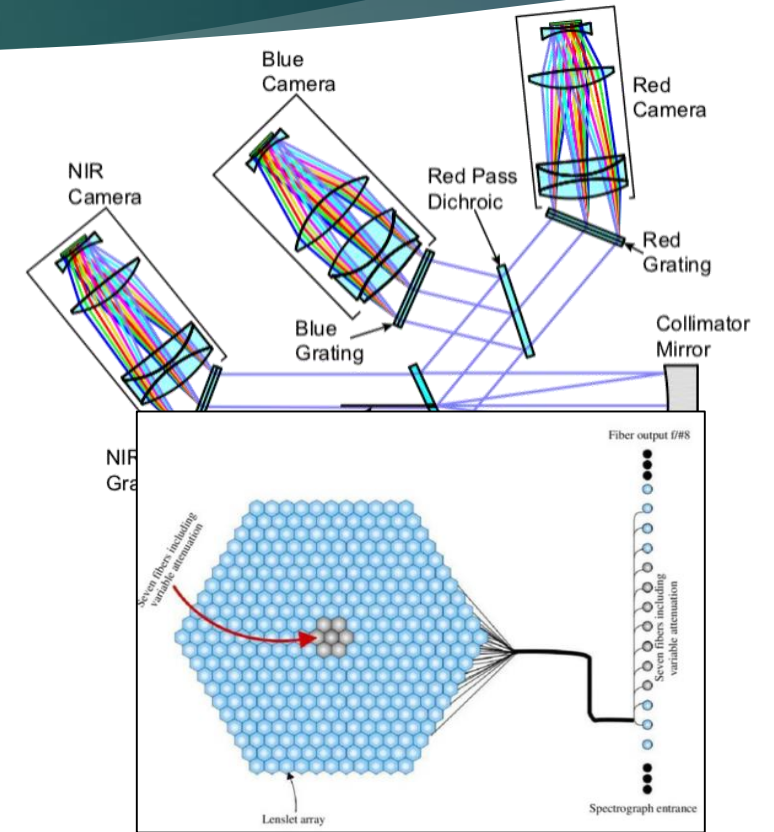
# WHAT TO DETERMINE?



Telescopes & Optics?

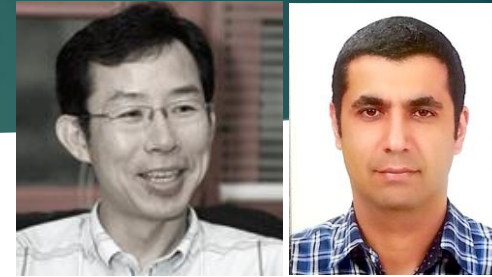


Robotic Positioner?



Spectroscopy Mode?  
(Visiting Instruments?)

# PAST, PRESENT, AND NEAR-FUTURE



Dec 2019

- Initial discussion started

Jan-Sep 2020

- Discuss on main survey
- Start writing a brief white paper

Aug-Oct 2020

- KASI preliminary study proposal:  
*Pre-Study for a Large Korean Spectroscopic Telescope*  
(PI: Arman Shafieloo)

Jul 2022 - Now

- Discussion resumed



## 분광탐사의 시대 도래

광학 및 적외선 천문학은 현대 천문학의 핵심 분야 중 하나이다. 2020년 대에 이 분야에서는 주력 우주 관측방법이 측광에서 분광으로 전환되고, 2030년 대에는 분광탐사의 시대가 본격적으로 열릴 것으로 예상된다. 세계 천문학계는 2020년 대에 진행할 대규모 분광탐사 프로젝트를 20여년 간에 걸친 오랜 준비를 해 왔다. 대표적으로 미국 Caltech의 Keck Observatory LSST 망원경을 사용할 탐사와 일본의 Subaru 망원경을 사용할 탐사가 있다. 최첨단 기술을 세계 최대급 망원경에 장착하는 것은 바로 그 다음 단계가 대규모 분광 탐사의 시대가 올 것을 의미한다.

천문학에서 분광 관측의 역사는 다른 어느 과학 분야에서도 찾아볼 수 없는 뉴턴의 태양빛의 분광에서부터 시작된 것이다. 지난 수십 년 동안 분광 스펙트럼을 얻는 다천체 분광 탐사가 2m 급 망원경에서 3-4m 급 망원경에서 대규모 분광탐사가 수행될 예정이었던 것처럼, 이제 3-4m 급 망원경에서 대규모 분광탐사가 수행될 예정이다. 그러나 현재 계획된 3-4m 급 또는 6-8m 급 망원경에서는 분광 관측이 어렵기 때문에, 10m 급 이상의 망원경을 사용하는 다천체 분광관측이 필요하다. 한국 천문학계가 세계 학계를 선도하는 분광 탐사 프로젝트를 추진하는 것은 바로 그 이유이다. 한국 천문학계가 세계 학계를 선도하는 분광 탐사 프로젝트를 추진하는 것은 바로 그 이유이다.

## Pre-Study for Large Korean Spectroscopic Telescope

Arman Shafieloo & Ho Seong Hwang  
KASI, 4<sup>th</sup> August 2020

# PAST, PRESENT, AND *NEAR-FUTURE*

**Mar-May 2023**

- Apply for KASI Qrontier

**Jul-Dec 2023**

*(If Qrontier selected)*

- *Write Qrontier Preliminary Report*
- *Form domestic/international committee*

**2024-2026**

*(If Qrontier selected)*

- *Detailed study with committee*
- *Surveys to collect community requests from KAS (& KSSS)*
- *Write the Qrontier Final Report as an input for the next step*
- *Consider joining other next-gen international survey projects*