

Robust high-contrast imaging with segmented telescopes in space: on-going R&D at Lagrange

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Instrumental R&D expertise at Lagrange

Interferometry – high-contrast imaging – adaptive optics – atmospheric optics

Strong historical expertise in coronagraphy

CIA – APLC & DZPM – PKC – Apodization - Starshades

Implication in former and current projects

VLT/SPHERE – coronagraph (APLC) – numerical simulator (CAOS) – Other science program JAXA/SPICA – participation to the coronagraph instrument (testbed DIAMS) Subaru/SCExAO – participation to the instrument development (Project Scientist)

On-going R&D

SPEED – high-contrast imaging at small IWA w/ segmented telescope
ERC KERNEL – synergy between interferometry & high-contrast imaging at small IWA
HIPIC-CIAO – on-sky AO-based platform (1-m telescope at C2PU)
SIA – Stable Imaging in Astronomy (instrumental overall stability efforts, project unrelated)
& related researches (cophasing sensors – wavefront sensors – coronagraphs, etc.)

C4PO (Center for planetary origin)

Structural project gathering people from instrumentation/planetology/fund. Physics



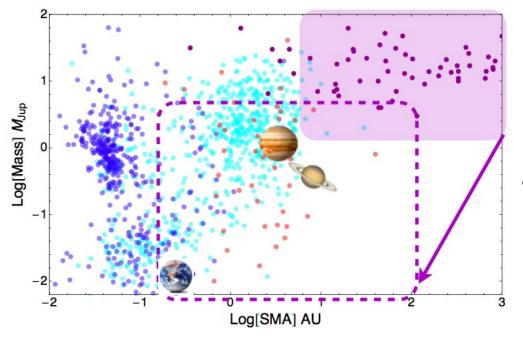
General [science] context

Exoplanets detection down to Earth-like planets

 \Rightarrow Understanding of formation and evolution of planetary systems

Ground-based observatories: VLT/SPHERE – Gemini/GPI – Subaru/SCExAO, etc. Space missions: HST – JWST – WFIRST/AFTA

LUVOIR: natural gain in sensitivity and angular resolution



Sensitivity and angular resolution are not good just for exoplanets... (see yesterday presentation)



On-going relevant projects at Lagrange



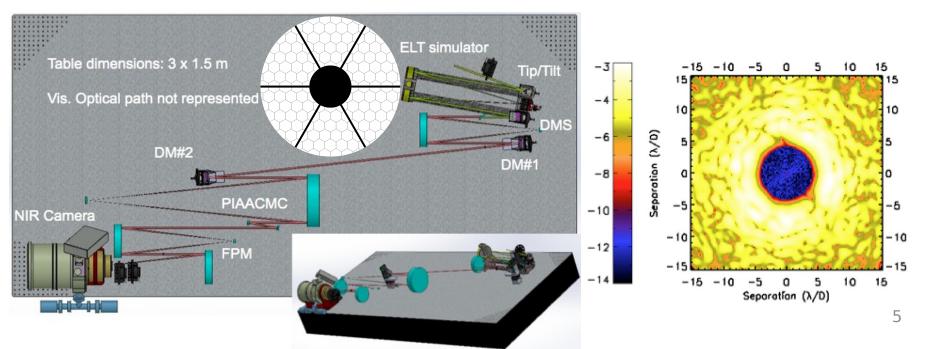
On-going R&D SPEED: the **S**egmented **P**upil **E**xperiment for **E**xoplanet **D**etection

SPEED (Martinez et al.)

Project: 700 k€ (hardware wo/ manpower), 2 PhDs (2014-2017), 1 PhD (2017-2020)

High-contrast imaging @ 1 λ /D with up to 163 segments (modulable) in the telescope pupil Vis. path (cophasing sensors) and NIR path (science) Instrumental and contrast design (PIAACMC, multi-DMs, EFC, etc.) Martinez et al. SPIE 2014-2016, Beaulieu et al. MNRAS submitted 2017

Collaborations: LESIA (SCC-PS - Fresnel/Talbot optical design) - O. Guyon (PIAACMC) - LAM (ZELDA)

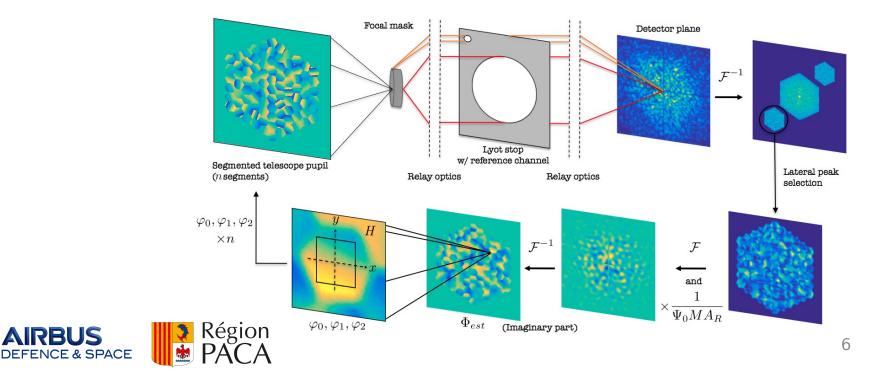




SCC-PS: Self-Coherent Camera-Phasing Sensor - based on the SCC concept (LESIA) (SCC is a fine wavefront sensor: Baudoz et al. 2006, Galicher et al. 2008, Mazoyer et al. 2013)

Novel focal plane phasing sensor from coronagraphic image => monitoring during observations Janin-Potiron et al. A&A 2016

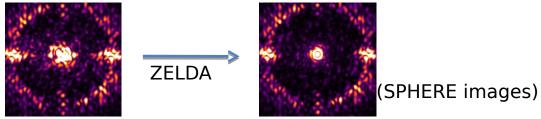
Novel broad capture range cophasing solution (DWCT, Dual Wavelengths Coherence Technique) Martinez & Janin-Potiron A&A L 2016



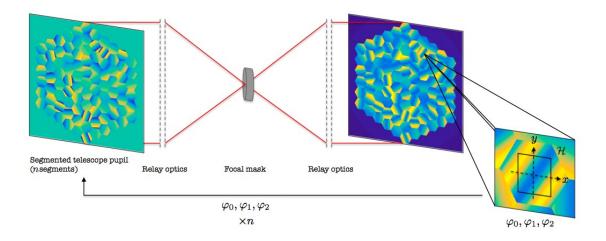


On-going R&D Cophasing segmented apertures: ZELDA-PS "The LAM connection"

ZELDA: non-common path aberrations correction Pupil plane fine wavefront sensor (nanometric measurements from intensity analysis in the pupil)... **N'Diaye et al. A&A 2013 - 2016**



...towards a fine pupil plane phasing sensor (**ZELDA-PS**: ZELDA-Phasing Sensor) Janin-Potiron et al. A&A 2017 in prep.







On-going R&D

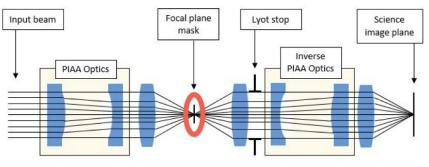
Robust coronagraph concepts: "The STScl & Subaru connections"

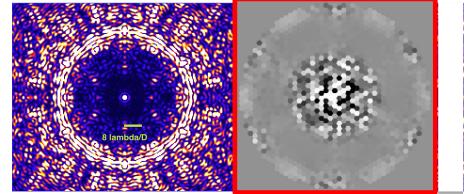
PIAACMC development in collaboration w/ O. Guyon (Subaru)



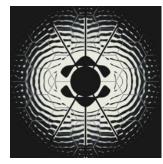
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- Optimized for the SPEED pupil (correction of pupil discontinuities) & stellar flux extinction
- Towards very small IWA (1 λ /D or sub- λ /D, w/ C = 10⁻⁷ a IWA)





- Merging APLC & Shaped Pupil in collaboration w/ STScl
- Post-JWST development (NASA Segmented Design Coronagraph & Analysis SCDA)
- Achromaticity & stellar angular size robustness



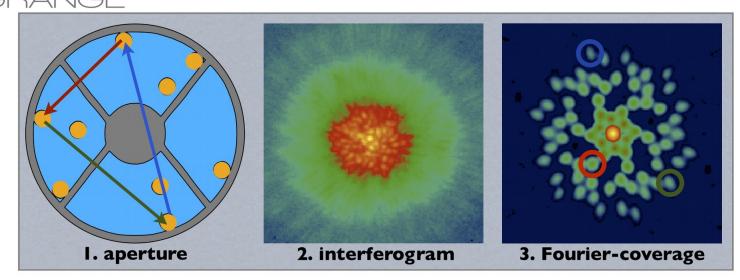
Binary shaped pupil for APLC

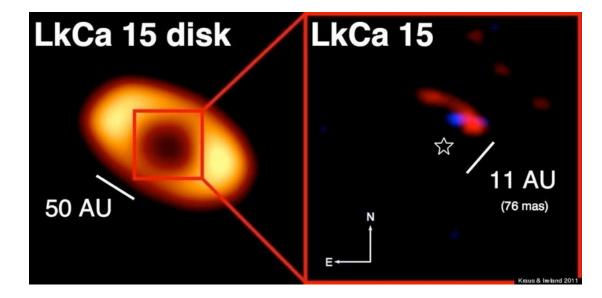
Solar System @ 13pc in 40h





Expertise: NRM-interferometry



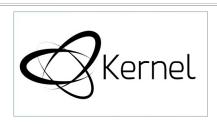


Super resolution !

Collaborations : STScl, Usydney, LESIA, Subaru Telescope



On-going R&D KERNEL: merging inteferometry and high-contrast imaging





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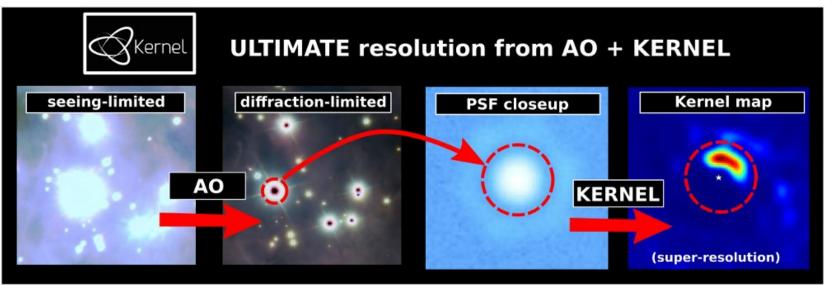
Supporting top researchers from anywhere in the world

KERNEL (Martinache et al.)

ERC #683029, 1.7 M€ Period 2016 – 2021 including 4 PhD + 5 years Postdoc Interferometric methods adapted to classical apertures

✓ Focal plane wavefront sensor (EIGEN PHASES)

✓ Scientific exploitation (KERNEL-PHASES)



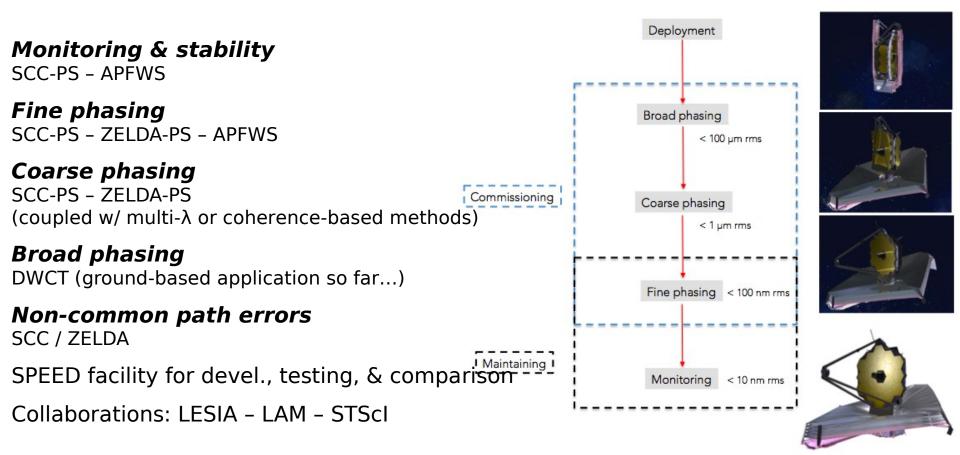


Lagrange Lab. propositions & collaborations for LUVOIR



Guaranty the telescope full optical capacity and performance

 \Rightarrow propose an integrated cophasing & fine wavefront sensor solution





Guaranty the instrument high-contrast imaging capacity and stability ⇒ propose an integrated wavefront control/shaping and coronagraphic solution

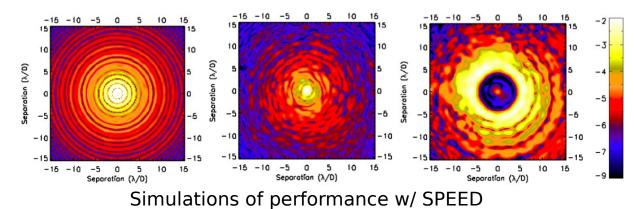
PIAACMC development for SPEED (Supported by the **CNES**)

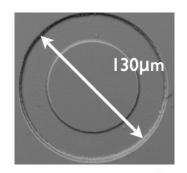
Multi-DM wavefront shaping architecture dedicated to small IWA (SPEED)

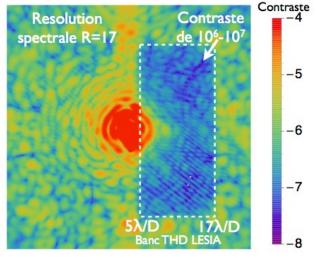
Fine wavefront sensor development (KERNEL, etc.)

Optical components: apodization, phase mask, etc.

Collaborations: LESIA – LAM – IPAG – STScI







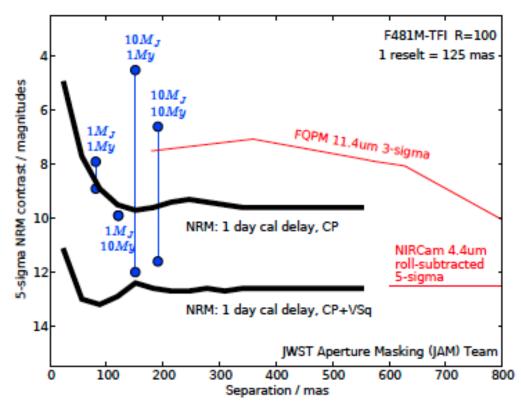
DZPM tests @ THD (LESIA)



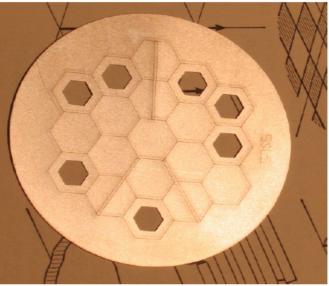
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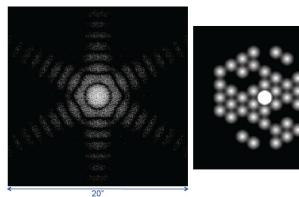
LUVOIR performance evaluation

Performance prediction NRM & co. w/ KERNEL testbench? (LESIA, STScI)



NRM contrast detection limits (JWST NIRISS)

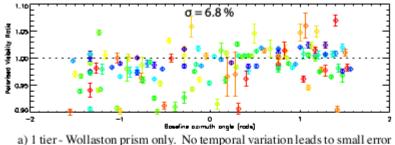




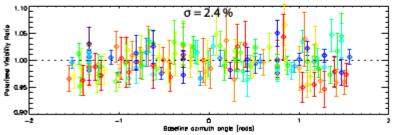


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Polarimetric interferometry w/ LUVOIR (USydney, Subaru)

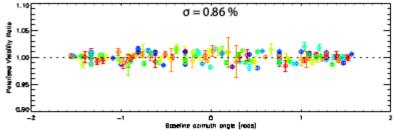


bars, but strong systematic errors (from non-common path) dominate.

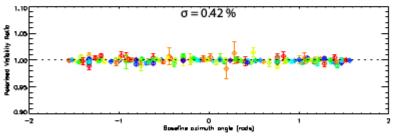


b) 1 tier - LCVR only. No non-common path error, and the mean is ~ 1.0. However since switching is slower than seeing temporal errors lead to large error bars.

On-sky polarimetric visibilities (SCExAO / VAMPIRES)



c) 2 tiers - Wollaston + LCVR. The Wollaston and LCVR cancel each others errors. Systematic errors are still visible.

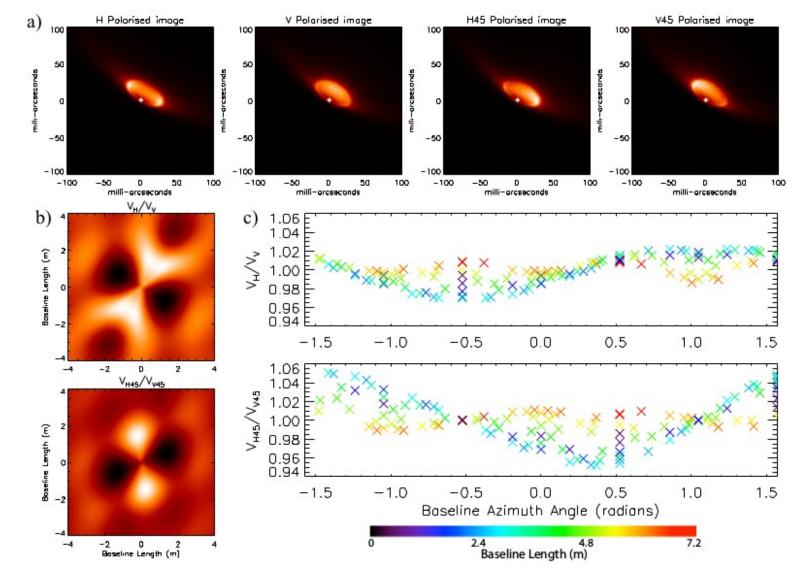


d) 3 tiers - Wollaston + LCVR + HWP. The HWP cancels out static systematic errors (such as those arising from instrumental effects). Here precision is limited by random error; additional integration time would improve precision further.





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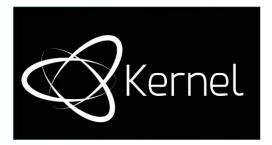
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Lagrange propositions & collaborations Resources and coordination

Projects at Lagrange in connection w/ LUVOIR

Segmented-Pupil Experiment for Exoplanet Detection



SPEED & KERNEL can participate in fields identified as of critical importance in the NASA roadmap for LUVOIR through 2 major topics:

- \Rightarrow telescope full optical performance
- \Rightarrow instrument high-contrast imaging capabilities

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