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INTERFEROMETRY AND EXOPLANETS

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EXOPLANETS: Several problematics

Nature of the planets?
→ Composition, size...





- Formation?
 → Place of birth, migration...
- ≪ Habitability »?
 → Distance to the star (temperature), tectonic...





- Is our solar system unique?
 - → Need to probe many systems!

Transit method



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HARPS/La Silla





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STARS AND PLANETS: Parameters dependence

Direct imaging

- Provides separation, position angle, orbit, spectrum.
- Need a model to derive the nature of the companion, and this model depends on stellar parameters: age, and mass in particular.





STARS AND PLANETS: Parameters dependence

Stellar parameters drive our knowledge of exoplanets



$$T_{\rm env} = \alpha T_{\rm eff} \sqrt{\frac{R_{\star}}{2a}}$$

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Models of planetary interiors
depend on many stellar
parameters: radius, mass,
density, abundances

Parameter	Prior range	Distribution
Core radius $r_{\rm core}$	$(0.01-1) r_{\text{core+mantle}}$	Uniform in $r_{\rm core}^3$
Fe/S1 _{mantle}	$0 - \text{Fe/S1}_{\text{star}}$	Uniform
Mg/Si _{mantle}	Mg/Si _{star}	Gaussian
fmantle	00.2	Uniform
Size of rocky interior $r_{\rm core+mantle}$	$(0.01-1) R_{\rm p}$	Uniform in $r_{\text{core+mantle}}^3$
Pressure imposed by gas envelope P_{env}	20 mbar-100 bar	Uniform in log-scale
Temperature of gas envelope α	0.5–1	Uniform
Mean molecular weight of gas envelope μ	$16-50 \text{ g mol}^{-1}$	Uniform

Ligi+ 2019

STARS AND PLANETS: Internal composition





The internal composition of exoplanets is inferred from planetary interior models:

- Need parameters as inputs (stellar and planetary)
- Hint toward formation and habitability
- Suffer from degeneracy



Valencia et al. 2013 (Bulk Composition of GJ 1214b and Other Sub-Neptune Exoplanets)

STARS AND PLANETS: Populations

Trends are found between stellar parameters and exoplanets occurence/type.



Mulders 2018, arXiv:1805.00023v1

Contrast





Resolution





Contrast

Resolution







- Need to hide the star
- Problem very close to the star



Ém

Contrast





Resolution





Contrast





Resolution



- 1 mas = 2 peaces of 2€ in Bretain seen by the slidefrom Nice !
- Stellar diameter of the order of the millisecond of arc (mas)
- Separation from star and planet of a few mas to a few arcs



We've seen that:

- Direct and indirect methods do not provide the same observables.
- Need of stellar parameters to derive exoplanets properties.
- Often, need of a model to derive additional parameters, that are important to characterize the system (like the stellar age).
- Open questions on the link between stellar parameters and exoplanets population.

What can interferometry do in this context?

Characterization

- Interferometry allows an almost direct measurement of stellar radii
 - \rightarrow transits and other parameters

Detection

- Closure phases and kernel phase can be used to detect exoplanets
 - → mix between imaging and interferometry

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INTERFEROMETERS WORLDWIDE

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In the case of a uniform disk:

$$V_{\lambda}^{2} \left(\frac{B}{\lambda}\right) = 4 \left|\frac{J_{1}(z)}{z}\right|^{2}$$
 with $z = \pi \frac{\theta_{UD}}{\lambda}$

angular diameter of the star



Point source \rightarrow contrast = 1 (Young).

Extended source

→ several fringe patterns which don't overlap exactly



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Aspro2

E2-E1

E2-W2

E2-W1

E1-W2

E1-W1

-W2-W1

INTERFEROMETRY: The problem of limb-darkening

Claret & Bloemen 2011

the linear law

$$\frac{I(\mu)}{I(1)} = 1 - u(1 - \mu),$$

the quadratic law

$$\frac{I(\mu)}{I(1)} = 1 - a(1 - \mu) - b(1 - \mu)^2,$$

the square root law

$$\frac{I(\mu)}{I(1)} = 1 - c(1 - \mu) - d(1 - \sqrt{\mu}),$$

the logarithmic law

$$\frac{I(\mu)}{I(1)} = 1 - e(1 - \mu) - f\mu \ln(\mu),$$



Fig. 9. Comparison of the best-fit power law intensity profiles of α Cen A and B (red curves) with the observed solar profile in the *H* band (orange curves) measured by Pierce et al. (1977). The horizontal scale is the same for both diagrams to show the difference in size of the two stars.



Fig. 2. Comparison of different parametric limb darkening models of the Sun with the observed limb darkening profile measured by Pierce et al. (1977) in the H band. The residuals in percentage of the observed intensity profile are shown in the *lower panel*.

Kervella+ 2017

- Difficult to measure the LD
- Discrepancies between transit/interferometry and different laws
- Impact on final radius



INTERFEROMETRY: Measure of the radius



INTERFEROMETRY: Effective temperature



Planetary transit а 3rd Kepler law $\frac{P^2}{4\pi^2} = \frac{a^3}{G(M_* + M_p)} \simeq \frac{a^3}{GM_*}$ $T = \frac{2R_*}{(2\pi a/P)}$ Measure of stellar density p (Maxted et al. 2015, Seager & Mallén-Ornelas 2003) $P/T^3 = (\pi^2 G/3) \rho_{\star}$ $\rho_* \equiv \frac{M_*}{R_*^3} = \left(\frac{4\pi^2}{P^2 G}\right) \left\{ \frac{\left(1 + \sqrt{\Delta F}\right)^2 - b^2 \left[1 - \sin^2(t_T \pi/P)\right]}{\sin^2(t_T \pi/P)} \right\}^{3/2} \quad \text{with} \quad \Delta F \equiv \frac{F_{\text{no transit}} - F_{\text{transit}}}{F_{\text{no transit}}} = \left(\frac{R_p}{R_*}\right)^2$







HD97658 (Ellis et al., in rev.)

Lebreton & Goupil 2014

	Planetary Properties			
Transit Depth [ppm]	712 ± 38	$\S4$ Exofast		
Period [days]	$9.48971157 \pm 0.00000077$	§4 Exofast		
T_0 [BJD]	2458904.9366 ± 0.0008	§4 Exofast		
$ m R_p/ m R_{\star}$	$0.02668 {\pm} 0.0007$	§4 Exofast		
Inclination [deg]	$89.05_{-0.24}^{+0.41}$	§4 Exofast		
Impact Parameter	$0.39_{-0.18}^{+0.11}$	§4 Exofast		
Eccentricity	$0.054_{-0.034}^{+0.039}$	§4 Exofast		
Mass $[M_{\oplus}]$	7.52 ± 0.86	§4 Exofast		
a/R_{\star}	24.16 ± 0.69	§4 Exofast		
$R_{ m p} \; [{ m R}_{\oplus}]$	$2.12{\pm}0.061$	§4		
$ ho_{ m p}~[{ m g~cm^{-3}}]$	3.681 ± 0.51	<mark>§4</mark>		
$T_{\rm Eq}[{ m K}]$	749 ± 12	<u>§</u> 4		
Stellar and Planetary Properties from Transit Observables				
$\rho_{\star} [\mathrm{g \ cm^{-3}}]$	3.11 ± 0.27	§4		
$M_{\star} [M_{\odot}]$	0.85 ± 0.08	§4		
$\log(g)$ [cgs]	$4.64{\pm}0.04$	§4		
$\operatorname{Corr}(R_{\star}, M_{\star})$	0.41	§4		
$ ho_{ m p} \; [{ m g \; cm^{-3}}]$	4.835 ± 0.70	<u>§4</u>		
$R_{ m p} \left[{ m R}_{\oplus} ight]$	$2.11 {\pm} 0.059$	<u>§4</u>		
Mass $[M_{\oplus}]$	8.25 ± 1.01	<u>§</u> 4		
$\operatorname{Corr}(R_{\rm p}, M_{\rm p})$	0.09	84		



- Discrepancies between models, methods, measures
- Need measures to calibrate models

→ Interferometry + planetary transits can bring very important information on usually non-measurable properties

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THE KERNEL APPROACH



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Difficult to detect at <1 as





51 Eri, GPI Macintosh et al. 2015





Transformation of a 1-dish telescope into an interferometer







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Many residuals due to the correction of AO.

« Clean » visibility.

F. Martinache HDR





Closure phase

$$\Phi(A-B) = \Phi_O(A-B) + (\varphi_A - \varphi_B)$$

$$\Phi(A-C) = \Phi_O(A-C) + (\varphi_A - \varphi_C)$$

$$\Phi(B-C) = \Phi_O(B-C) + (\varphi_B - \varphi_C).$$



Measured Expected

Piston



F. Martinache HDR, Martinache+ 2020



A A-B A-C O B-C O O O O O

Generalization of the Closure phase

$$\Phi = \Phi_O + \mathbf{R}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{A} \cdot \varphi$$
$$\mathbf{K} \cdot \mathbf{R}^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{A} = 0.$$

A Baseline mapping matrix (subapertures + baselines)

R Redundancy matrix (number of subapertures contributing to the phase of one baseline)

Kernel-phase K

Projection of the Fourier phase into a subspace theoretically untouched by residual aberrations.



F. Martinache HDR, Martinache+ 2020

Phase transfert matrix

R⁻¹.**A**

(description of the propagation

of pupil phase aberration into

the Fourier plane)



Non redundancy



Redundancy: repeated baseline (distance+orientation)



Redundancy

HDR F. Martinache





Non redundancy



Redundancy: repeated baseline (distance+orientation)



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Redundancy

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Examples of masks





http://frantzmartinache.eu/static/index.html







Model of the mask







Model of the mask



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Model of the aperture

Associated

U-V

coverage











SPHERE data





HD142527

THE KERNEL PHASE: Example of SPHERE data

HD142527 and its companion at 73 mas (11.4 au), Claudi+ 2019



Ligi+, in prep.





SAM (reconstruction with MiRA)



THE KERNEL PHASE: Example of SPHERE data



THE KERNEL PHASE: Example of PHARO data





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Star h Planet $D. sin\theta$ D T2 T1 T2Recombination Recombination T2 Recombination T2 Recombination T2 Recombination T2 Recombination T2Recombination Recombination Recombination

Rotation of the interferometer with the star at the center

- Star constantly nulled
- Modulation of the signal where the planet is



The Kernel nuller

Idea first introduced by Bracewell (1978). Application to the case of the VLTI: 4 telescopes



Kernel « cleaned » from perturbations Same properties as closure phases



Martinache+ 2018 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vn6280hGTL8



THE SKA FOR EXOPLANETS



SKA in South Africa



SKA in Australia

(artist impression, <u>www.skatelescope.org</u>)

SKA (Square Kilometer Array): Radio wavelengths interferometer array

« Cradle of life » section

- Detect radio-emission from earth-analogous high-power radars (Siemion+ 2014)
- Magnetic field of exoplanets (aurorae)
- Search for pre-biotic molecules and amino acids
- Grain growth (cm-sized) particules in proto-planetary disks (Hoare+ 2014)

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