

Science, technology and detectors for Extremely Large Telescopes



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Acronyms

- **ELT = extremely large telescope**
 - © Tom Sebring
 - Appropriated as generic term
 - Sometime used as European LT
- **GOD = giant optical device**
 - © Jerry Nelson
 - (and they said "OWL" showed our *hubris*...)
- **FGT = future giant telescope**
 - ➔ Use ELTs as generic term
- **ELD = extremely large detectors**
 - are what we need for the future
 - Ah, they also need to be *cheap* 😊
 - and have zero readout noise...

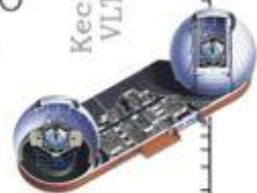
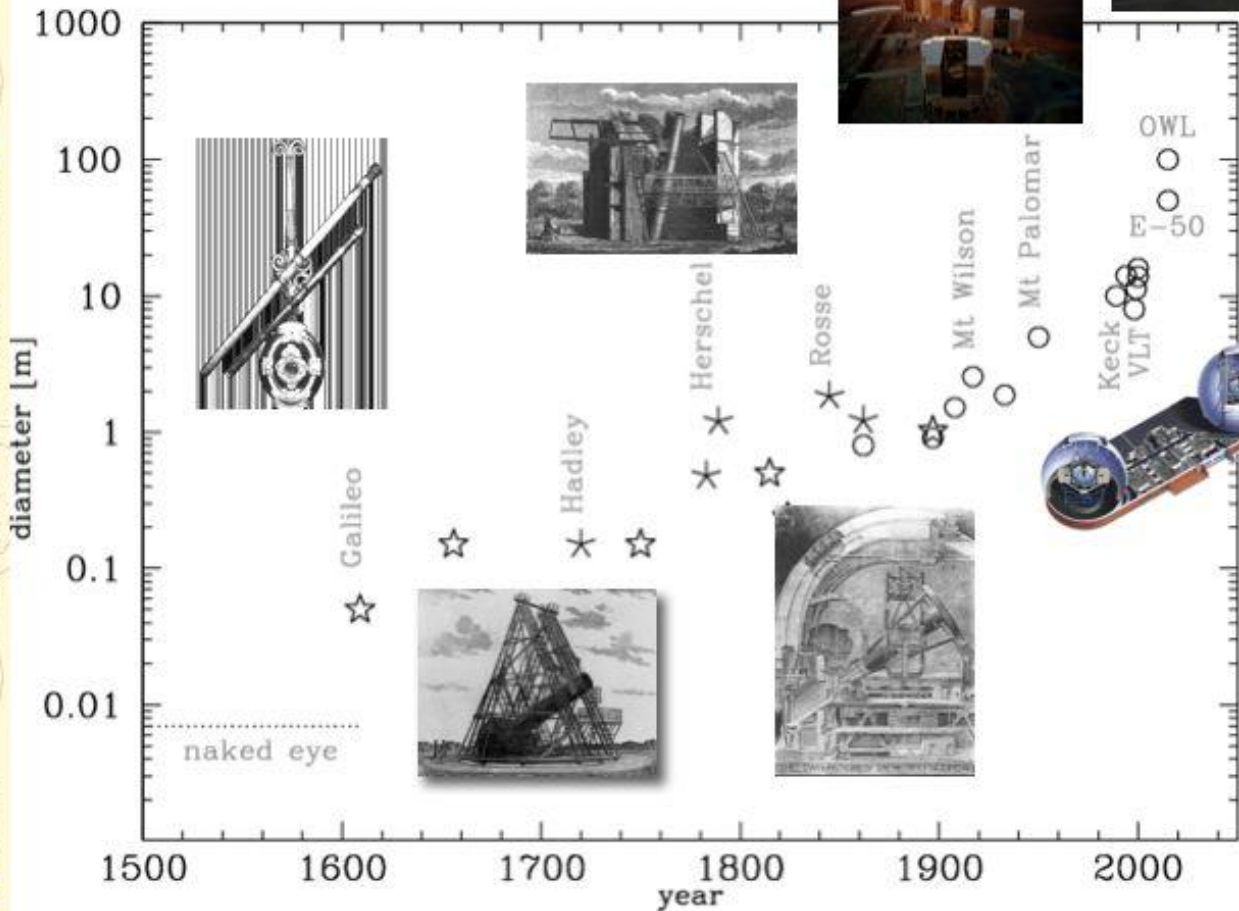
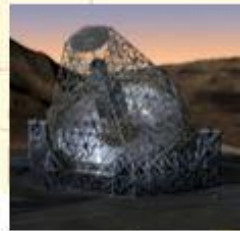


Context: II decade, III millennium AD

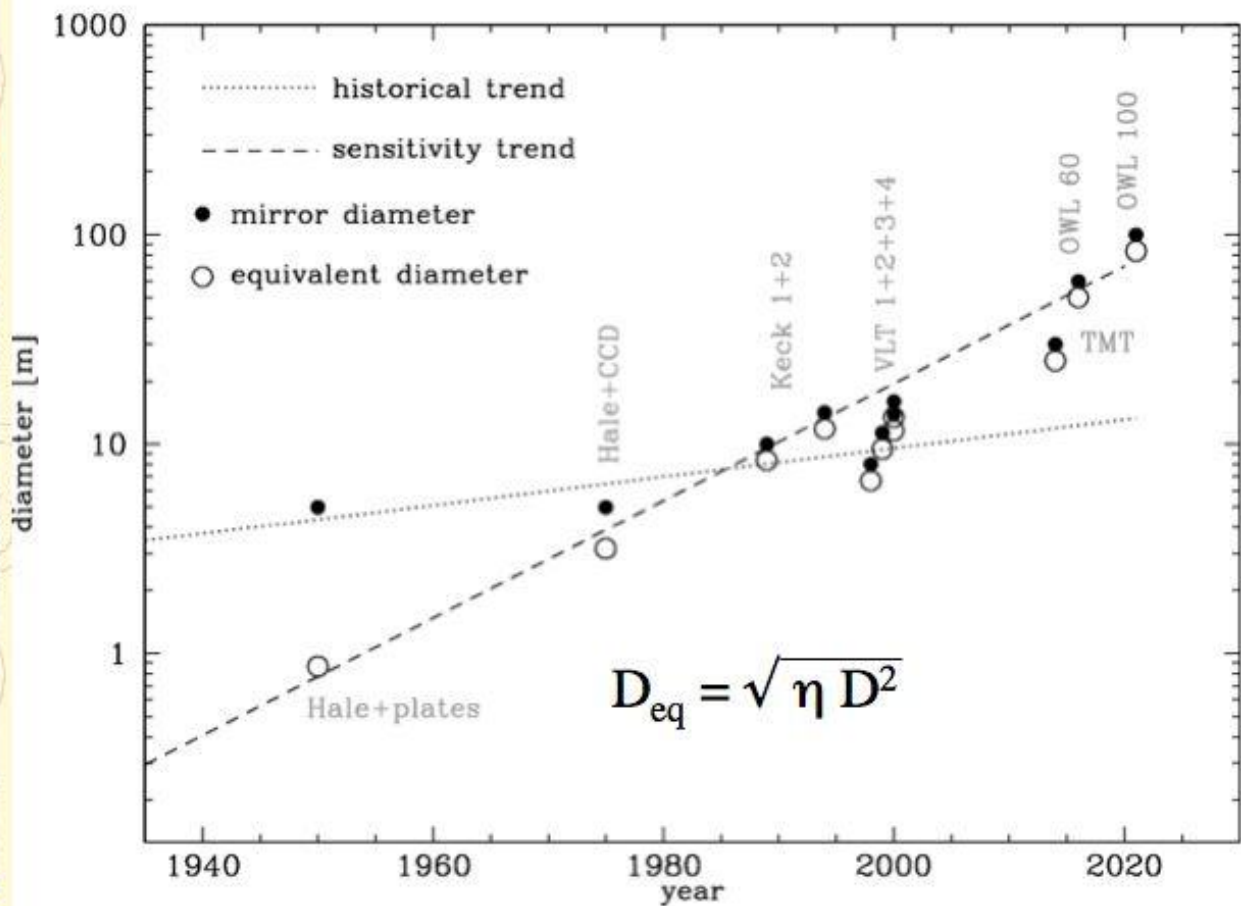
- **"Maturity" of current generation**
 - VLT, Keck, Gemini, Subaru, HET, LBT, GTC, SALT...
 - AO \rightarrow λ/D performance, 2nd gen instruments
- **Interferometry**
 - "Faint object" regime ($K \sim 20$), astrometry (μas)
- **ALMA**
 - mm, sub-mm "equivalent" of optical facilities
- **New ground-based telescopes**
 - 30 to 100m diameter, $\lambda/D \sim \text{mas}$
 - OWL, CELT+GSMT=TMT, GMT, ...
- **New space telescopes**
 - JWST, XEUS, TPF/Darwin precursors...




Telescope growth since Galileo



Detectors improved more than diameters



Confusion about Confusion

- **Inheritance of the 1980s?**
 - Poor spatial resolution
 - X-ray "background" (not there any longer...)
 - Overlapping faint galaxies (2" seeing!)
 - HDF's: mostly empty (**5% covering factor**)
 - **DIFFRACTION LIMIT!**  remember this
 - 3D information
 - Absence thereof: does it tell us something?
 - $\sim 10^{11}$ galaxies in $\sim 10^{11}$ square arcsec \rightarrow typical size?
 - Olbers paradox
 - Can we deduce the "galaxy covering factor"?
- **Not easy to predict how the universe looks at milliarcsecond resolution...**



Not easy to predict how fast technology develops, either

- **1943**

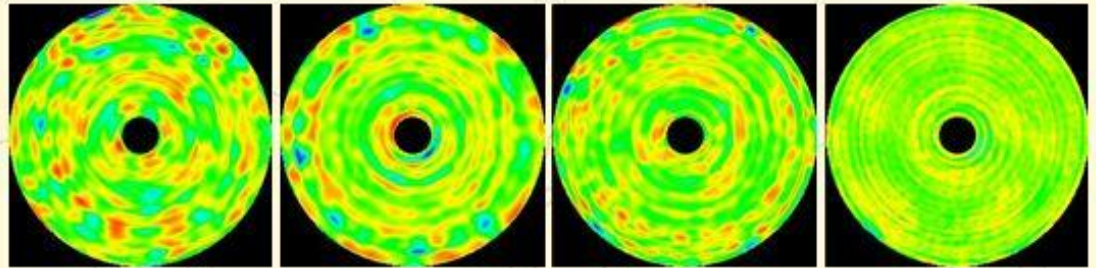
- Thomas Watson, chairman of IBM:
"I think there is a world for maybe five computers"

- **1981**

- Bill Gates, founder of Microsoft:
"640K ought to be enough for anybody"



Example of progress



	SPEC	Mirror 1	Mirror 2	Mirror 3	Mirror 4
R. curvature (mm)	28800+-100	28762.9	28760.0	28762.6	28759.2
surface RMS (nm)	N/A	22	19.5	17.5	8.5
θ RMS (arc secs)	N/A	0.080	0.074	0.087	0.062
CIR @ $r_0=500\text{mm}$	>0.82(*)	0.875	0.898	0.893	0.975
CIR @ $r_0=250\text{mm}$	N/A	0.935	0.951	0.935	0.981
Strehl	>0.25(*)	0.762	0.791	0.824	0.953

- Very high spatial frequency errors ~3-7 nm RMS (wavefront)
- Microroughness < 20 Å
- Correction forces typically ~80 N (spec <120 N)
- Matching error measured by direct Hartmann test, negligible (below measurement accuracy)
- All radii of curvature within 3.7 mm
- *Provisionally accepted in 1996 (No 1 and 2), 1997, 1999.*

The challenges

- **Sensitivity**

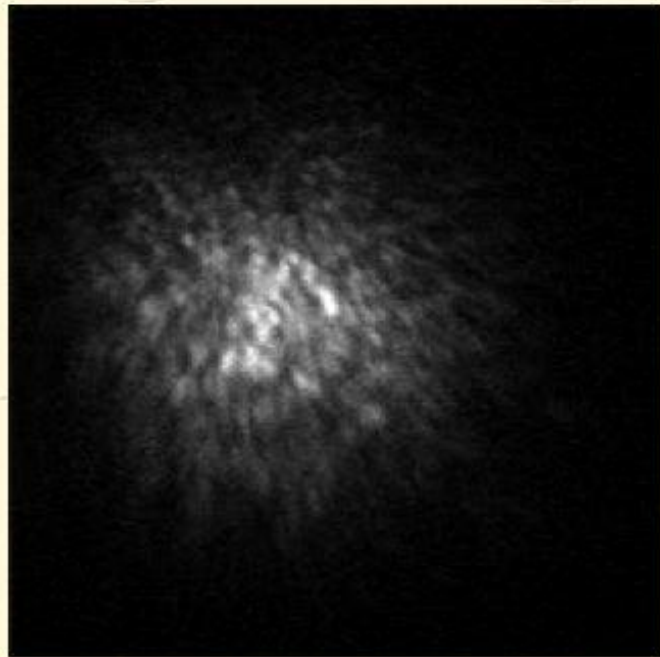
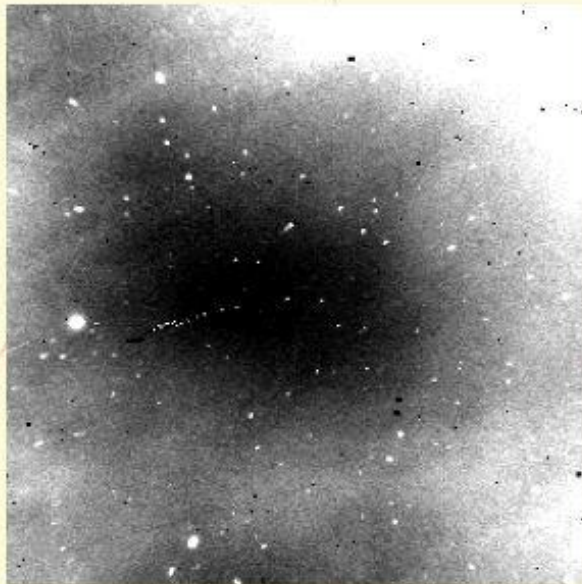
- If you want to get spectroscopy of the HDF galaxies you need at least a 30m telescope
- If you want to get spectroscopy of the faintest galaxies discovered by JWST you need at least a 100m
- If you want to get spectroscopy of candidate earth-like planets within 10pc you need at least an 80m

➔ **Maximize diameter**

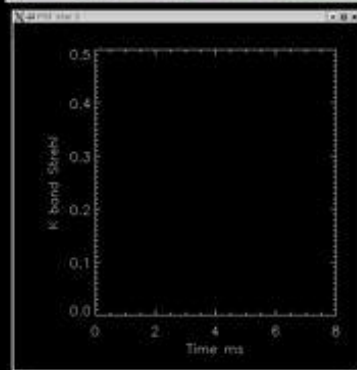
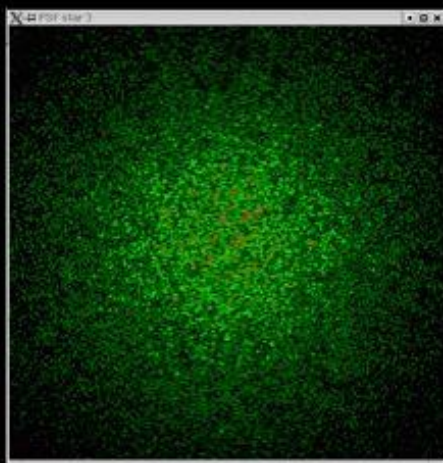
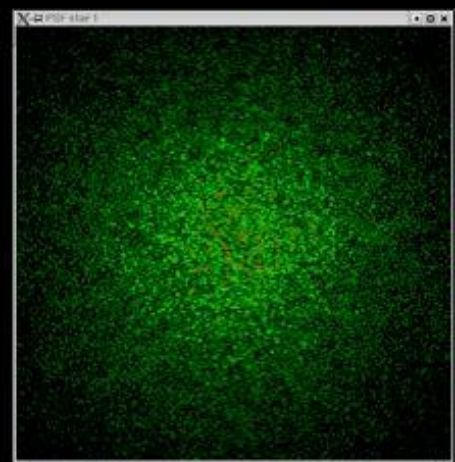
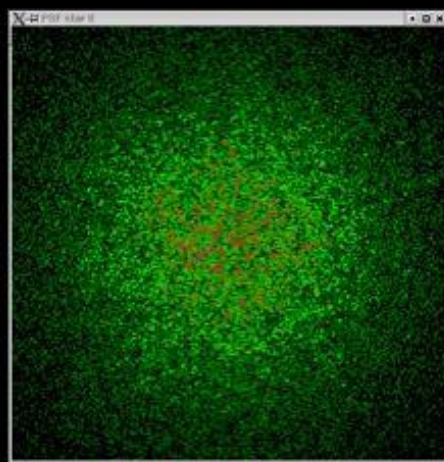
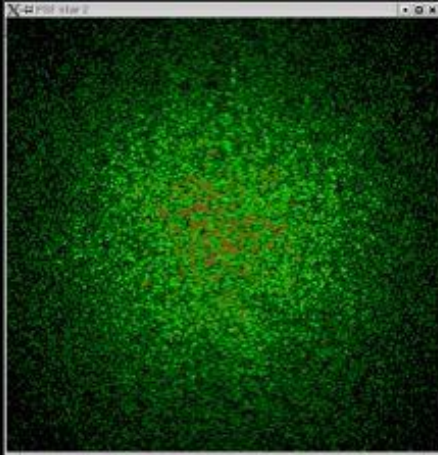


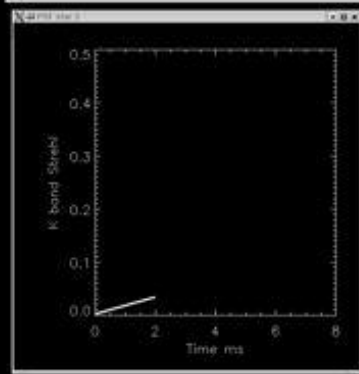
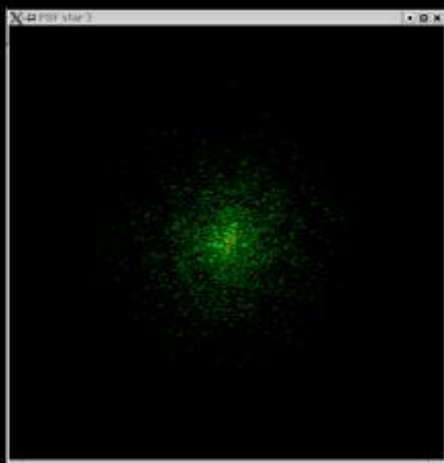
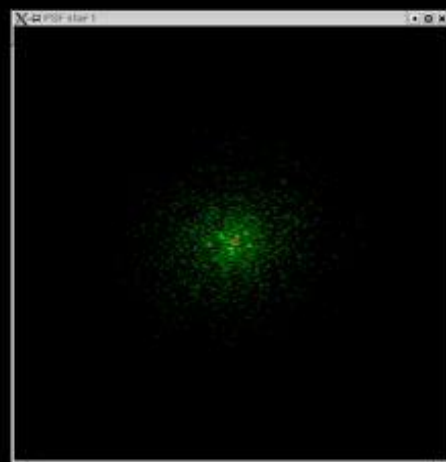
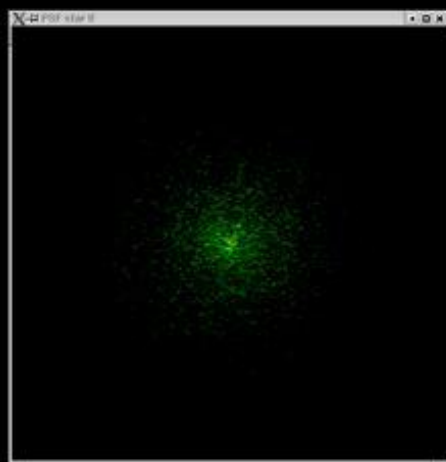
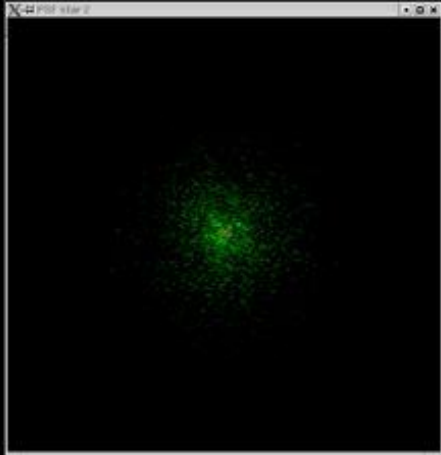
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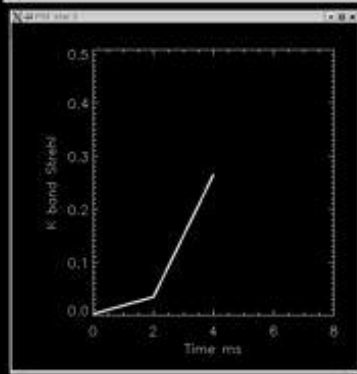
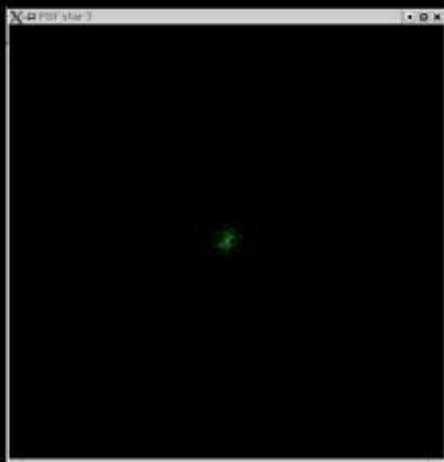
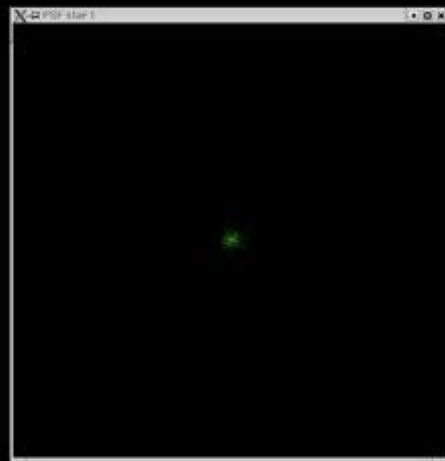
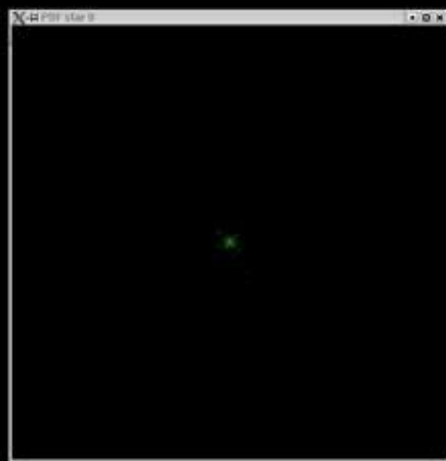
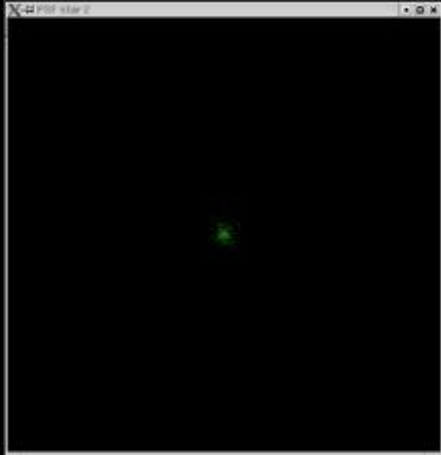
- The atmosphere

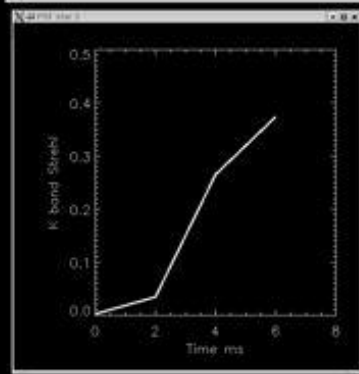
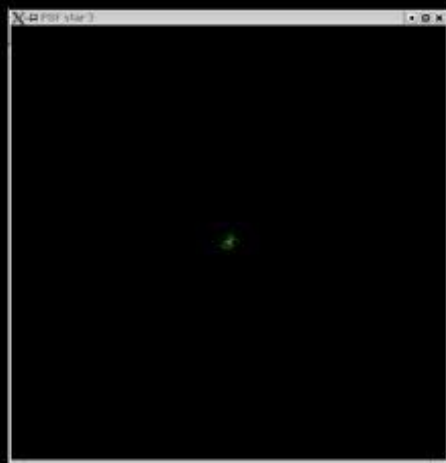
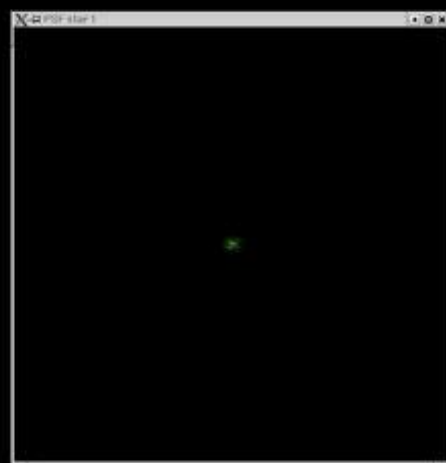
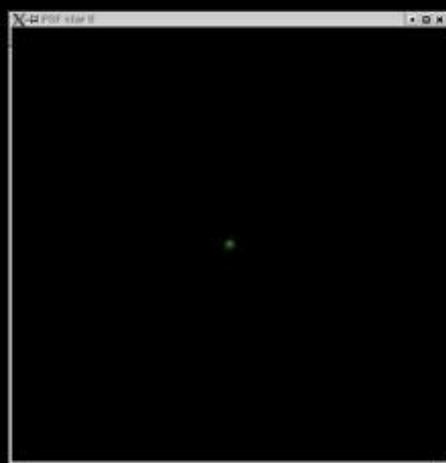
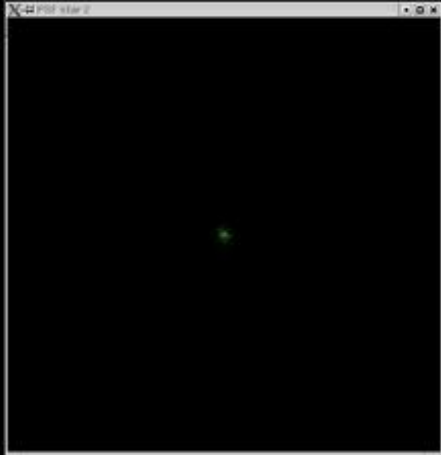


MCAO simulation

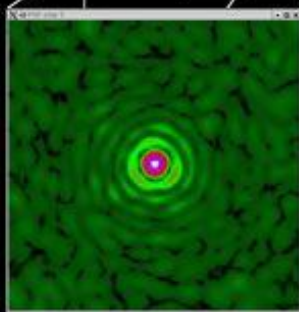
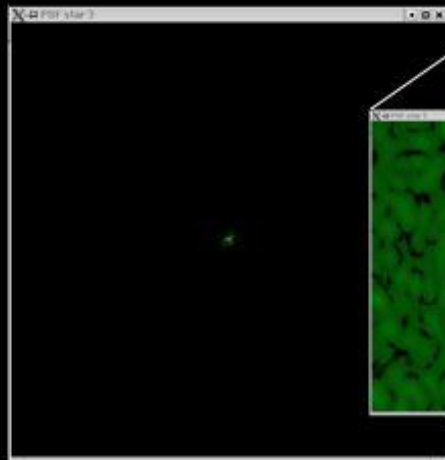
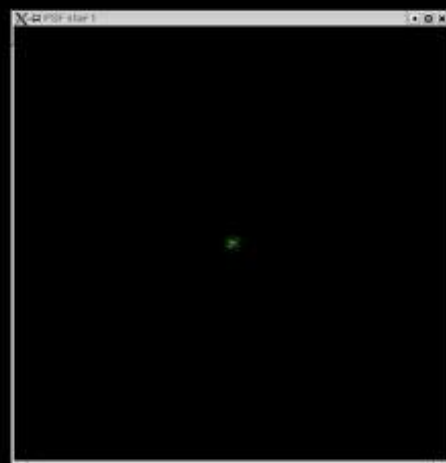
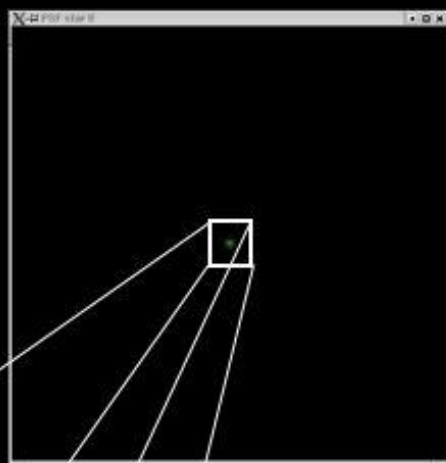
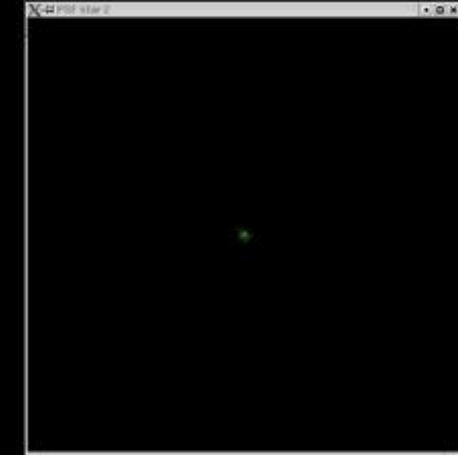




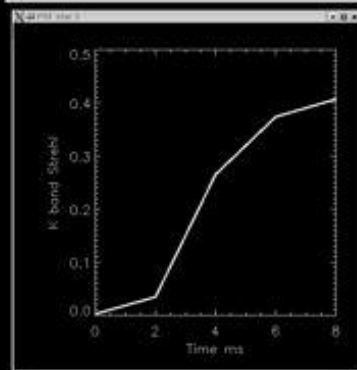




Total FOV: 2' (diameter)
100m telescope, K-Band
FWHM: ~ 5 mas, Sr ~ 30 -40%
2 DMs (8k - 9k actuators)
3 NGSs (100x100 Shack-Hartmann)



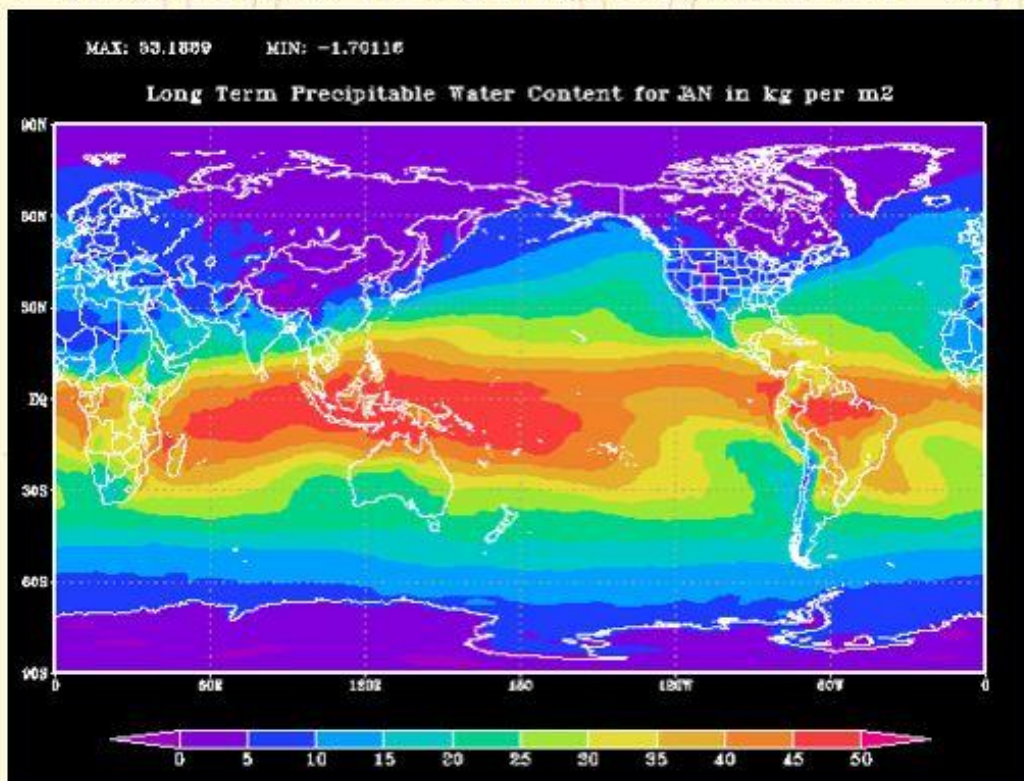
Sqrt stretch



The challenges *cont'd*

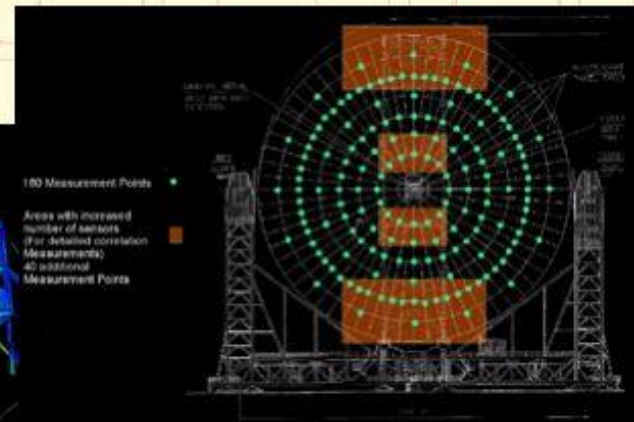
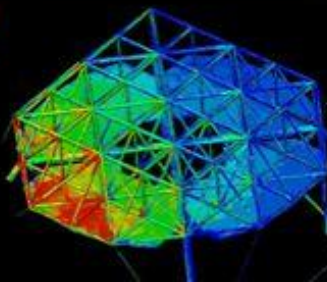
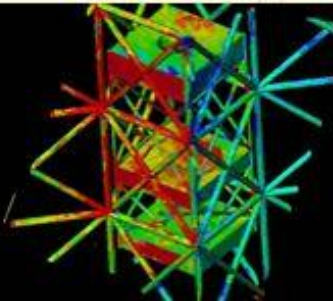
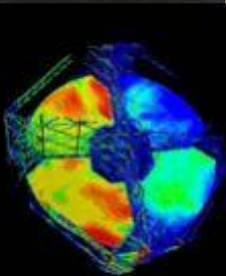
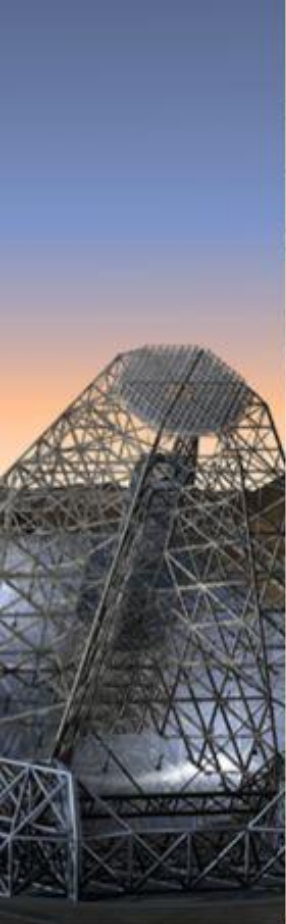
- **Site selection**

NCEP / NCAR PRECIPITABLE WATER CONTENT 1948-2001



The challenges *cont'd*

- **Wind**
 - Control system
 - Design
 - Brute force (enclosure, screens,...?)
 - A lot of work being done (CFD, wind tunnel, experiments, etc)



The challenges *cont'd*

- **The instruments**

- A **LOT** of pixels
- "easy" for single point sources
 - Beam size $\sim D \times \text{slit} \sim D \times 1/D \sim \text{const}$
- Not easy at all for other applications
 - Though an F/30 camera is better than a F/0.5!
- Large multiplex required
- Large stability required
- Physics experiment-like approach?
- Active control?

- **Collaboration ESO-community**

- Instrument designs from science cases
(see talk by Sandro D'Odorico)





The science case

EXTREMELY LARGE TELESCOPES:

The next step in mankind's quest for the Universe

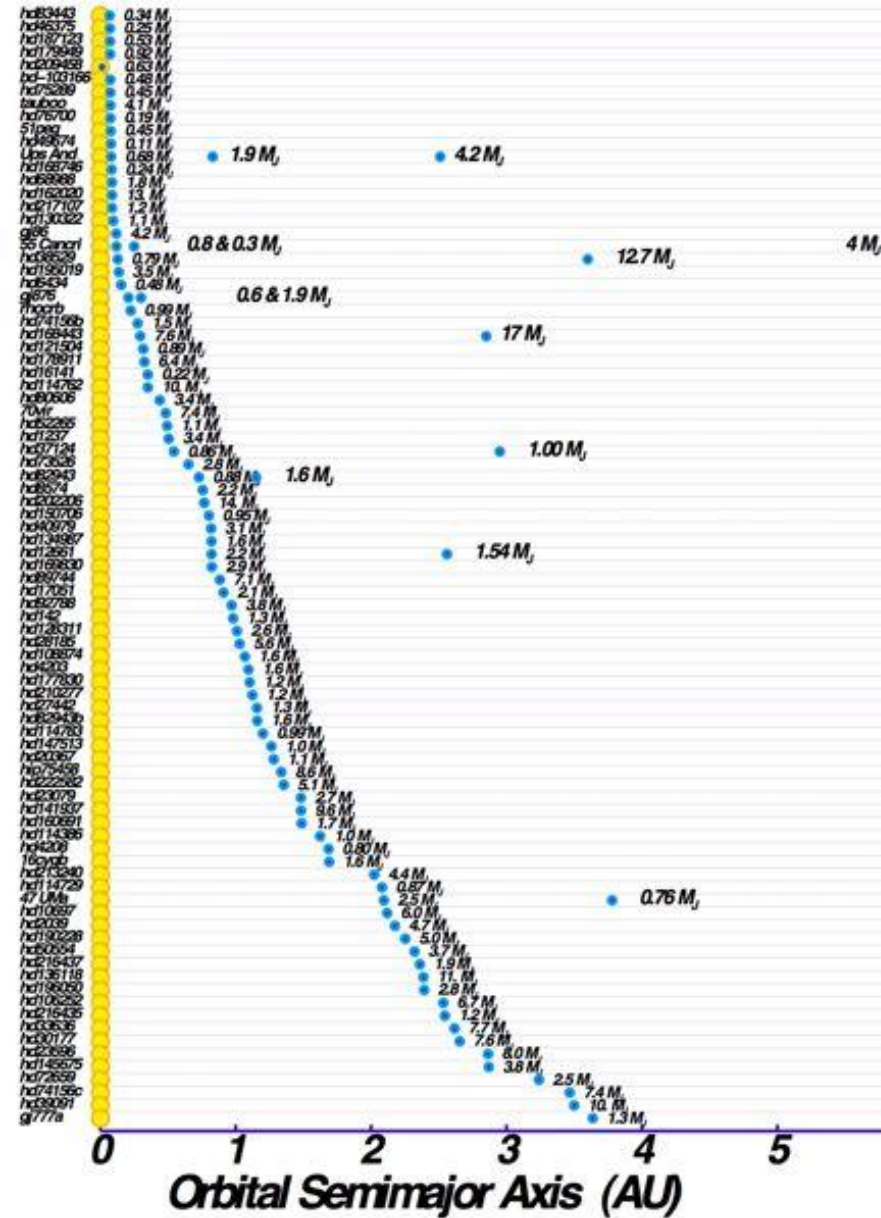


Science requirements*

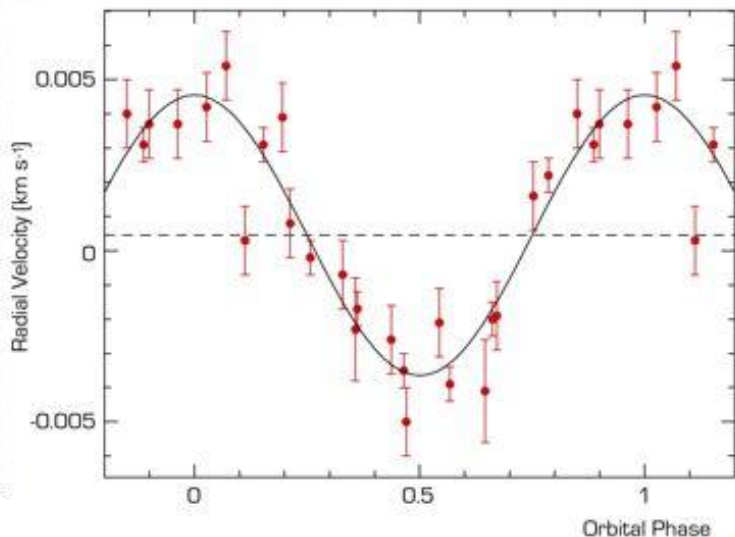
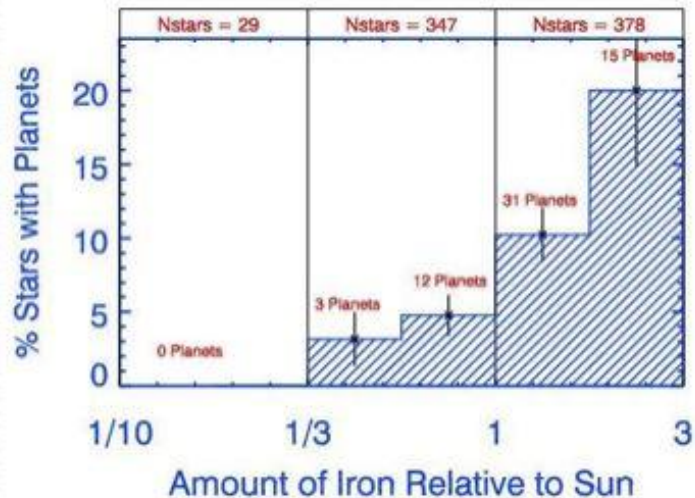
- **Choice of design driven by science**
 - (new science)
 - Terrestrial planets in extra-solar systems
 - Imaging and spectroscopy (exo-biospheres)
 - Virgo or bust!
 - What is the stellar population of ellipticals?
 - Dark matter and dark energy
 - Map DM content (~80%), link to particle physics
 - Star formation history of the Universe
 - Evolution of the Cosmos from Big Bang to today
 - First objects and the re-ionization
 - Primordial stars and their role
 - Direct measurement of deceleration
 - No assumptions, no extrapolations, no models

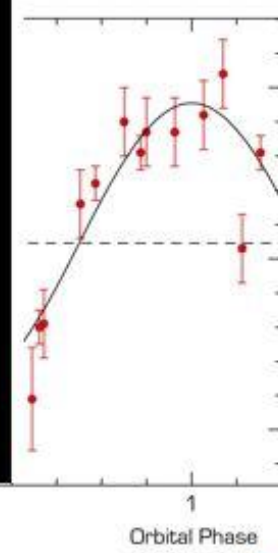
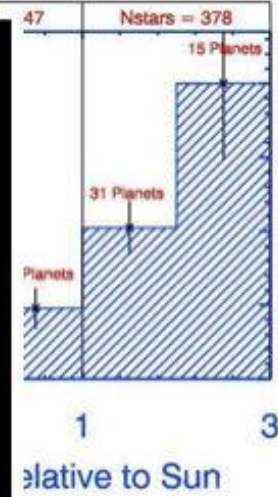
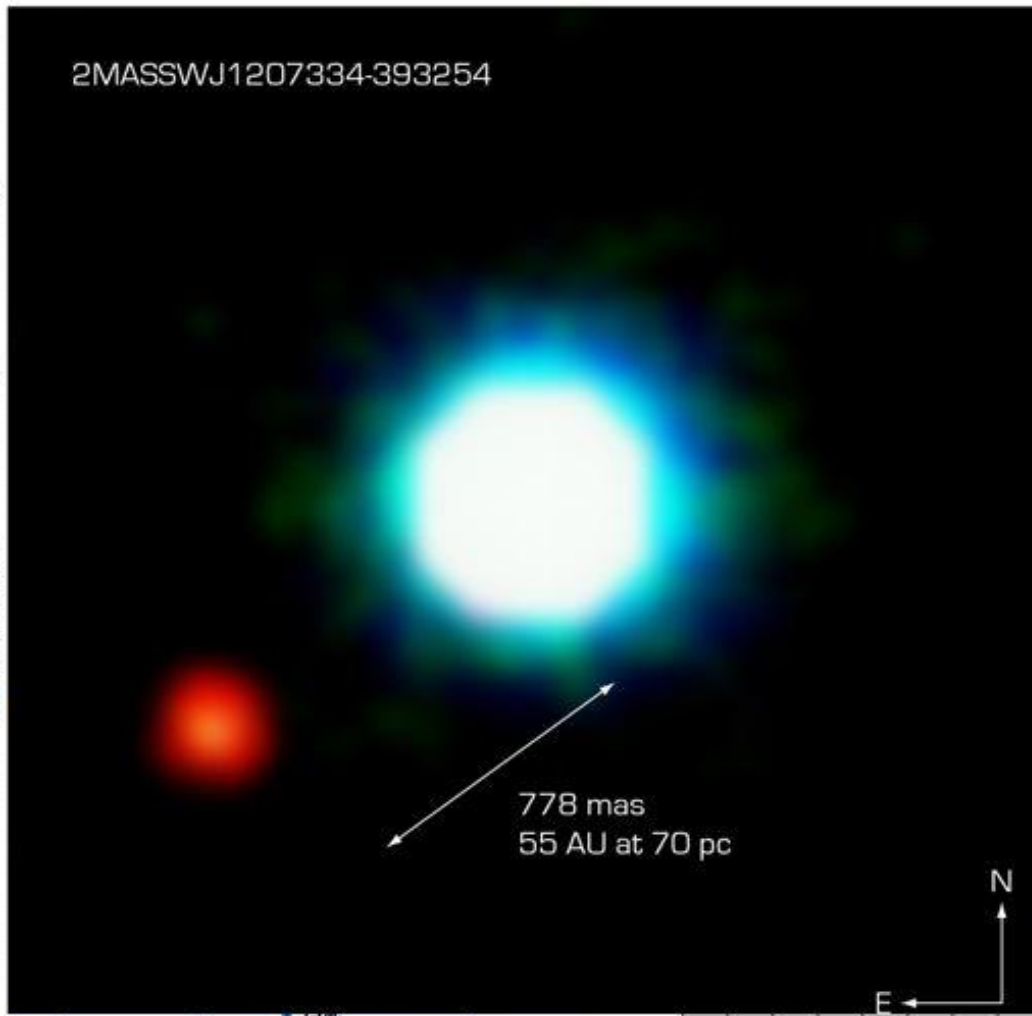
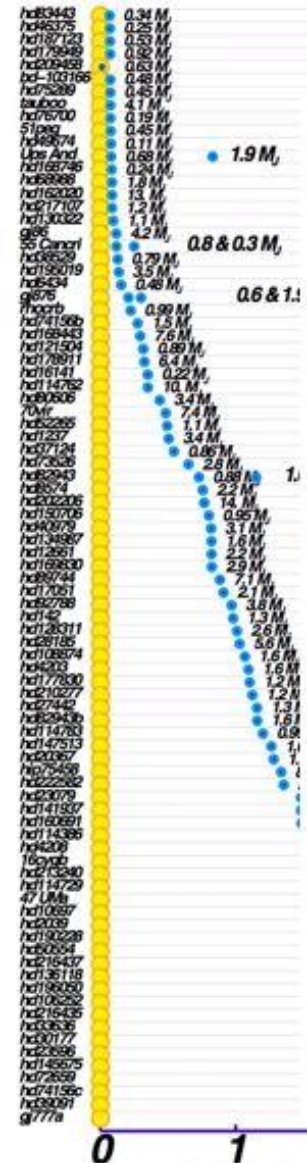
(*) what we think today we will do with ELTs, which probably has little to do with what we actually will do





Planet Occurrence Depends on Iron in Stars

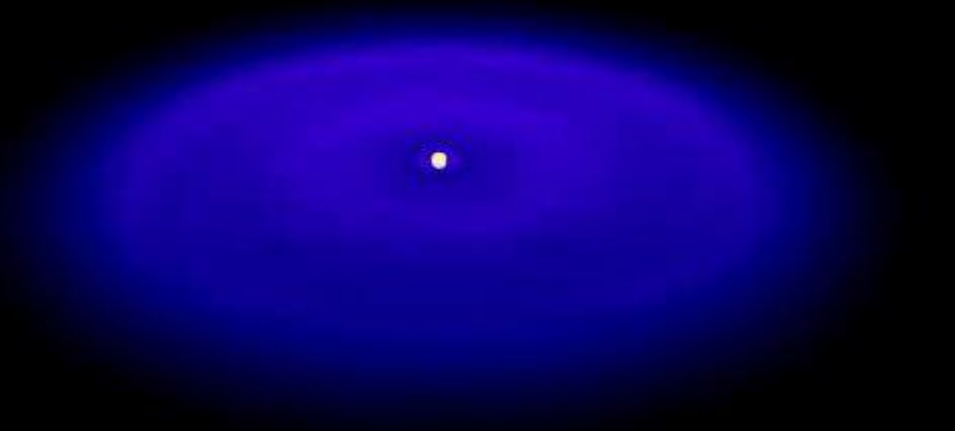




We think we know how they form
So we expect earth-like ones to exist...

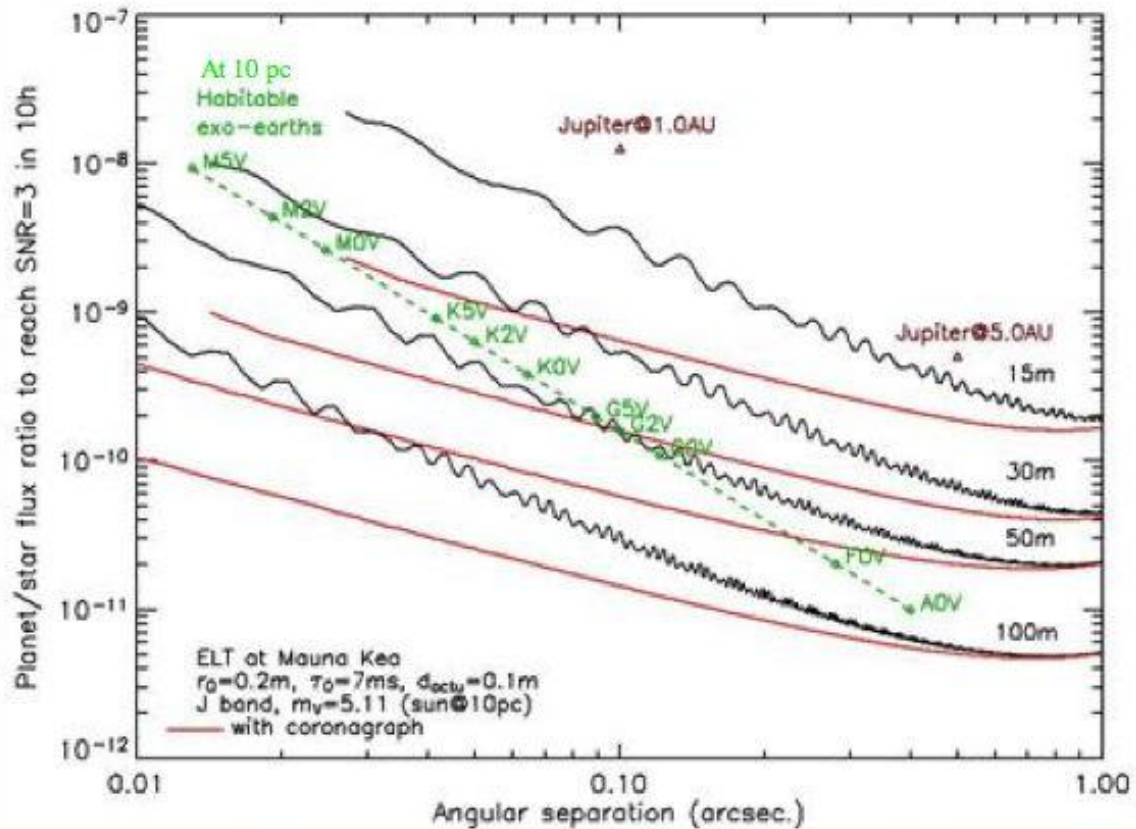


Silhouette Disk Orion 114-426 (J_s band)



**Density fluctuations
in protoplanetary disks**

Detecting exo-earths



Lardiere et al 2003



Quest for high-contrast imaging

- **Coronagraphy**
- **Nulling interferometry**
- **Multi-Conjugated Adaptive Optics**
- **eXtreme Adaptive Optics**
- **Simultaneous Differential Imaging**



The spatial resolution challenge

0.6 arcsec



The spatial resolution challenge

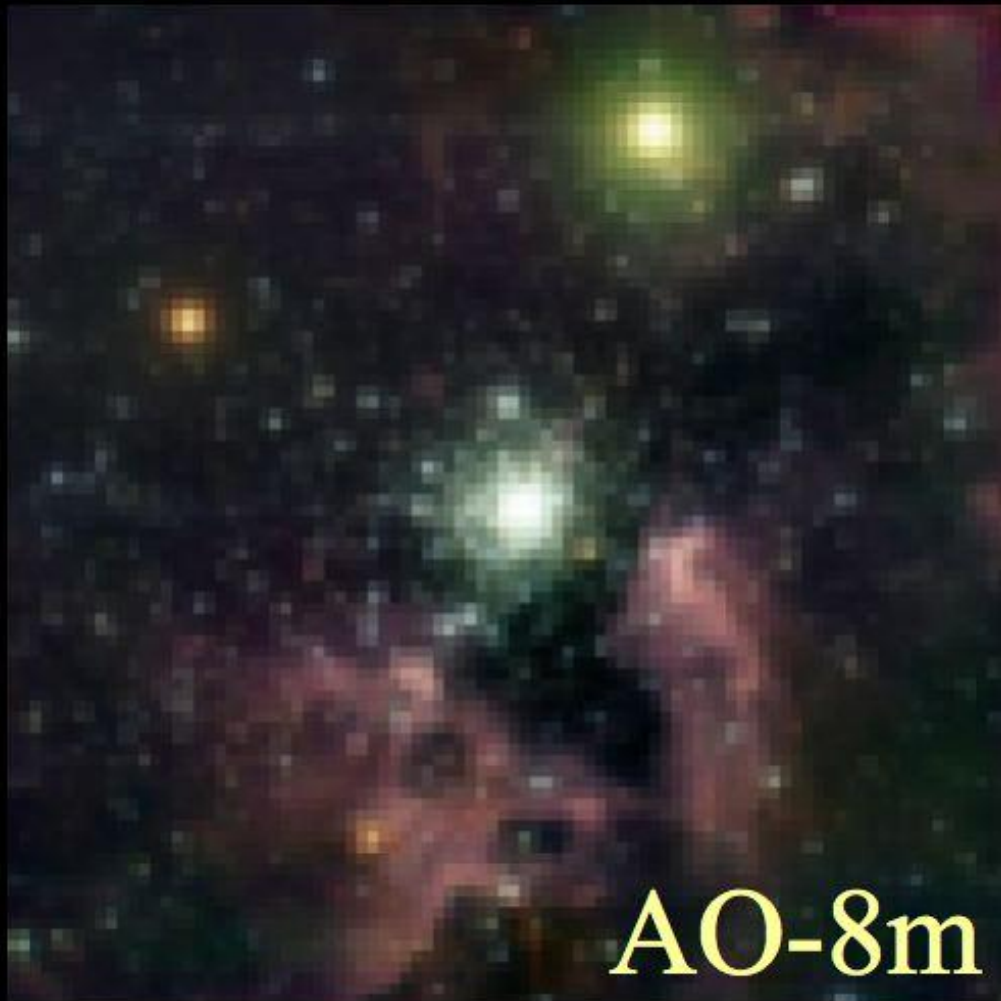
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HST

The spatial resolution challenge

0.6 arcsec



AO-8m

The spatial resolution challenge

0.6 arcsec



**Limiting
mag in 10^h:
V=38**

Sensitivity and Field-of-view

Simultaneous Differential Imaging

Adaptive Optics

- @ Specific wavelengths
- Cancel the speckles in real time
- Very high contrast ($\sim 50k$)
- **Today** on NaCo, VLT UT4
Hartung, Close, Lenzen et al,
A&A July 2004

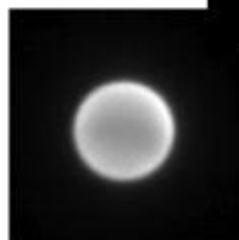
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Quadrant 2: 1.575 μm



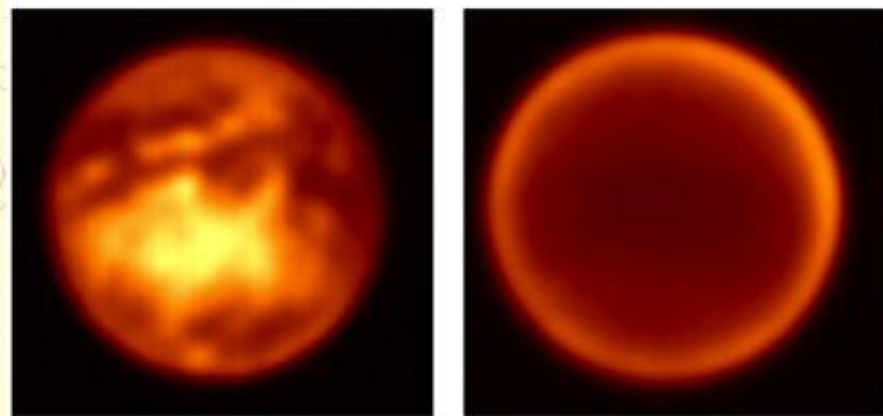
Quadrant 3: 1.625 μm



Quadrant 4: 1.625 μm



Four SDI-NACO Images
(VLT YEPUN + NACO/SDI)



Simultaneous Views of Titan's Surface and Atmosphere
(VLT YEPUN + NACO/SDI)

Exo-earths: strong dependence on D

- **Accessible volume $\propto D^3$**

30m: 20 G stars (*)

60m: 165 G stars

100m: 750 G stars

- **Sensitivity**

Science case $\propto D^4$

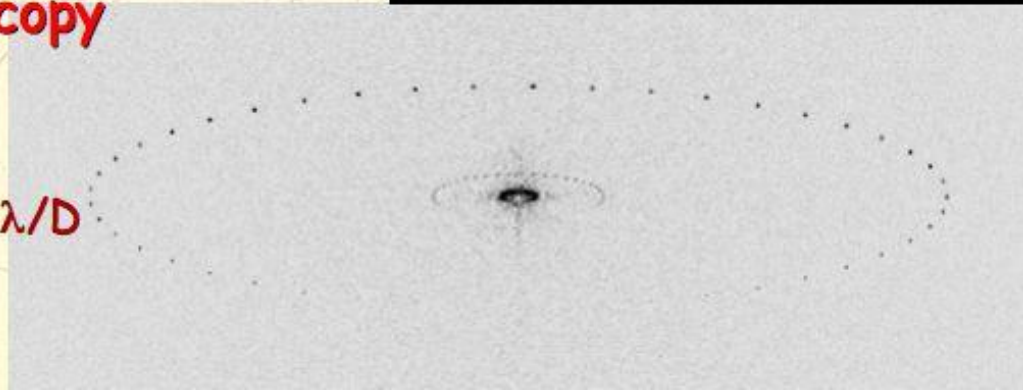
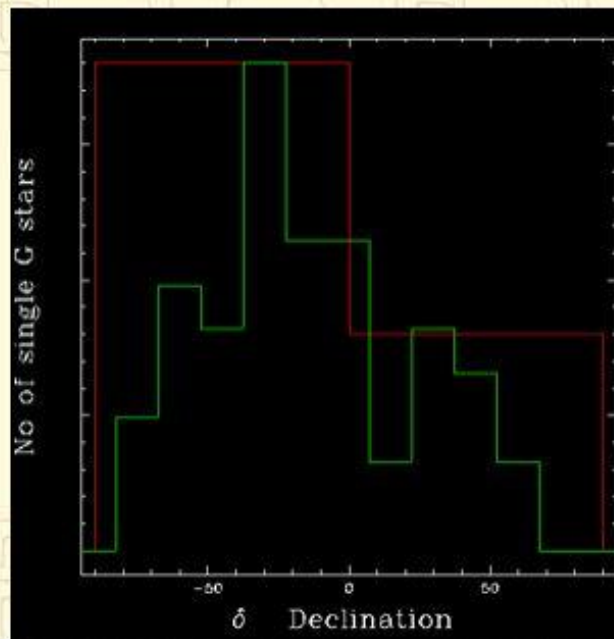
→ to reach same S/N:

$$t_{30m} = 123 \times t_{100m}$$

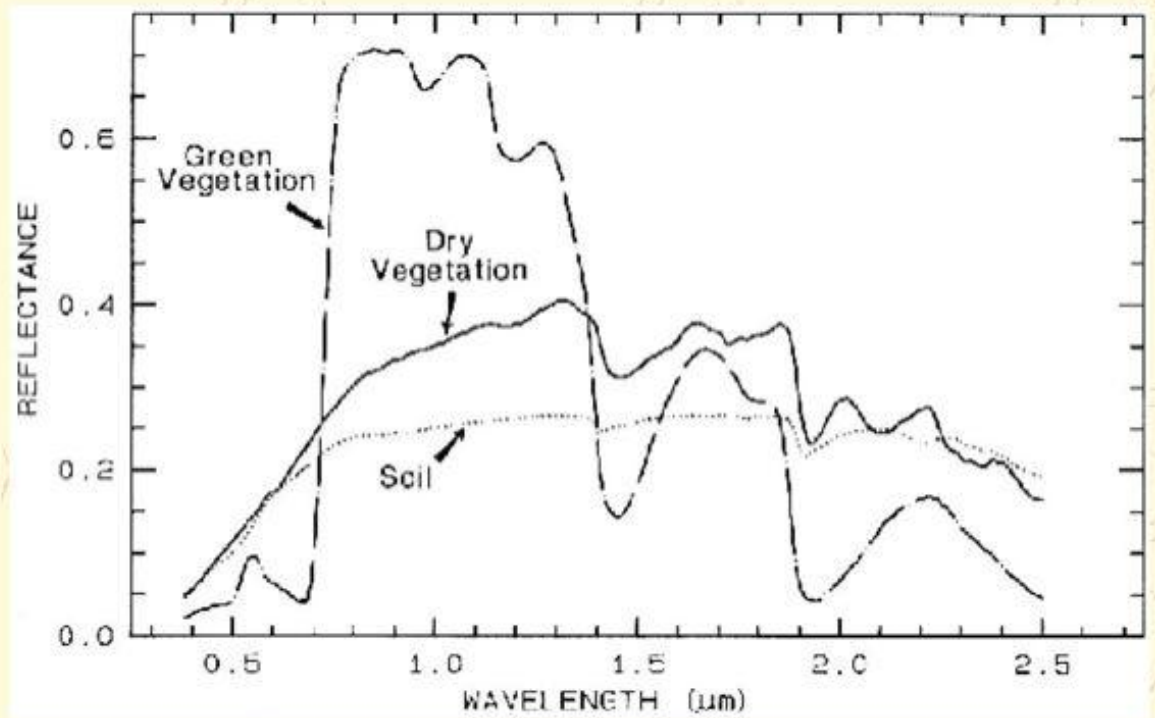
- **Spectroscopy**

$D \geq 80m$

(*) $\forall d_{min} = 5 \lambda / D$



Detecting vegetation



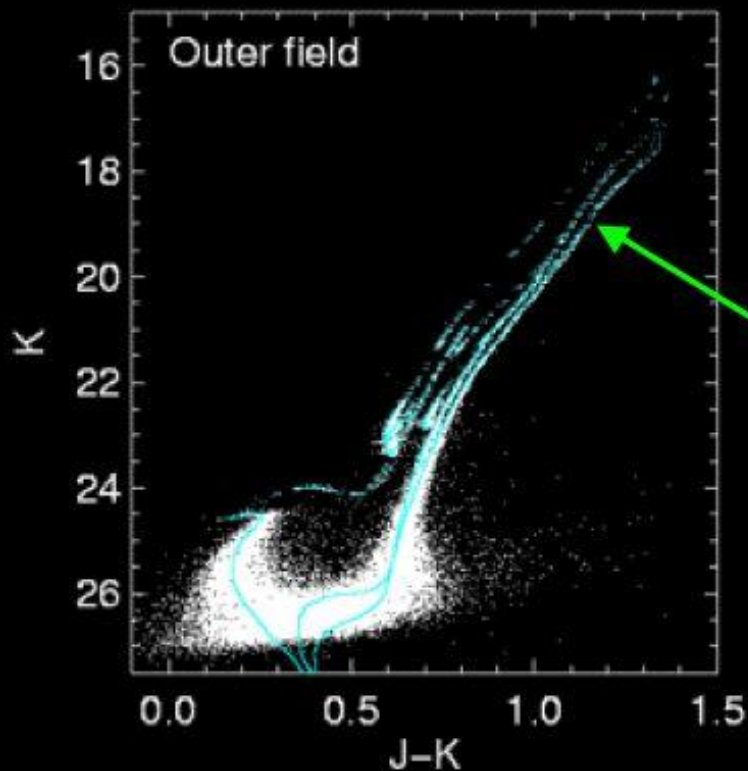
Arnold et al 2002

Exo-earths: detection comparison

(Angel, 2003)

telescope	wave (μm)	mode	S/N	(earth@10pc, t=24h)
space interf	4x2m	11 nulling	8.4	Darwin, TPF
space filled	7m	0.8 coronagr	5.5-34	JWST or HST successor
Antarctic	21m	11 nulling	0.52	GMT
		0.8 coronagr	5.9	
ground	30m	11 nulling	0.34	Celt, GSMT
		0.8 coronagr	4.1	
ground	100m	11 coronagr	4.0	OWL
		0.8 coronagr	46	
Antarctic	100m	11 coronagr	17	BOWL=better OWL
		0.8 coronagr	90	

Resolved Stellar populations and Galaxy Formation

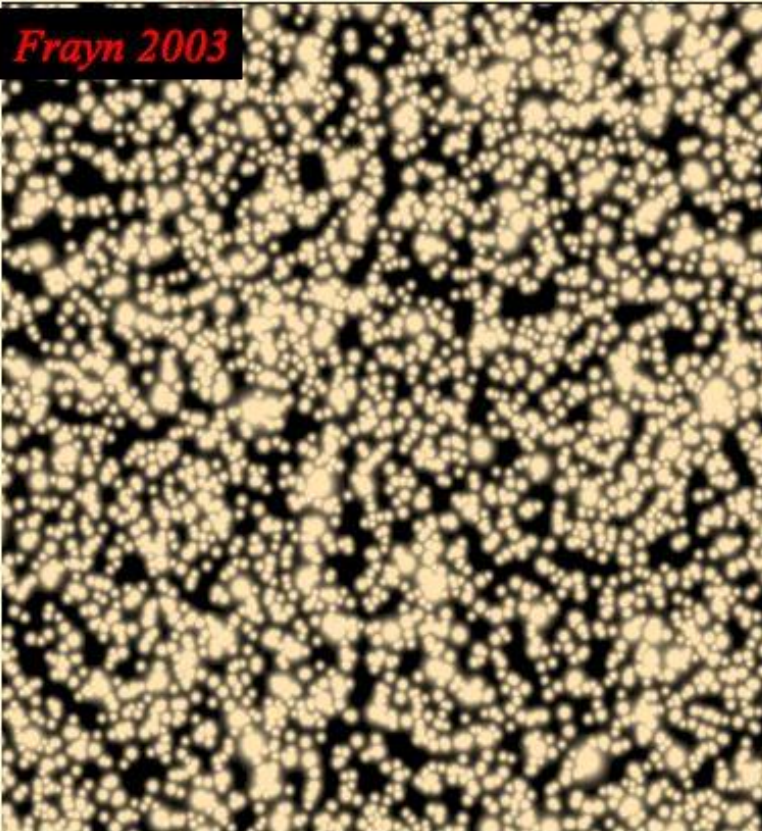


Simulated M32 CM Diagram Observed
with 30-m Telescope *from GSMT study*

- We can learn a lot about the formation and evolution of our nearby neighbours with a 30-m telescope

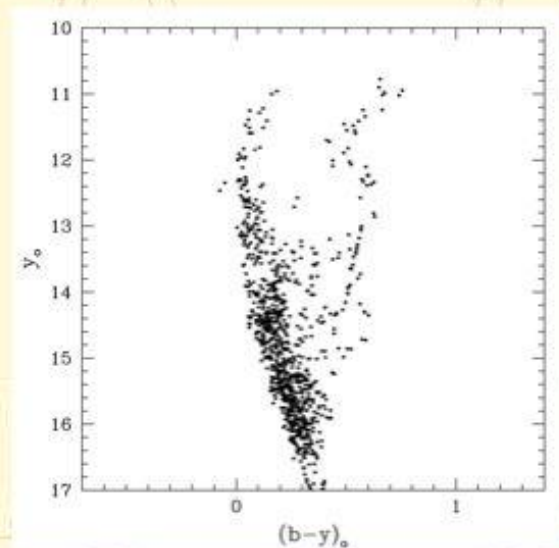
E.g. Colour-mag diagram reveals multiple stellar pops

- What about a more representative slice of the Universe?



Simulated M87 field
observed with
100-m telescope

- 3 hour exposure
- Diffraction-limited observation
- Outer field ($\mu I = 28$)
- Realistic IMF plus population synthesis to two magnitudes below MSTO

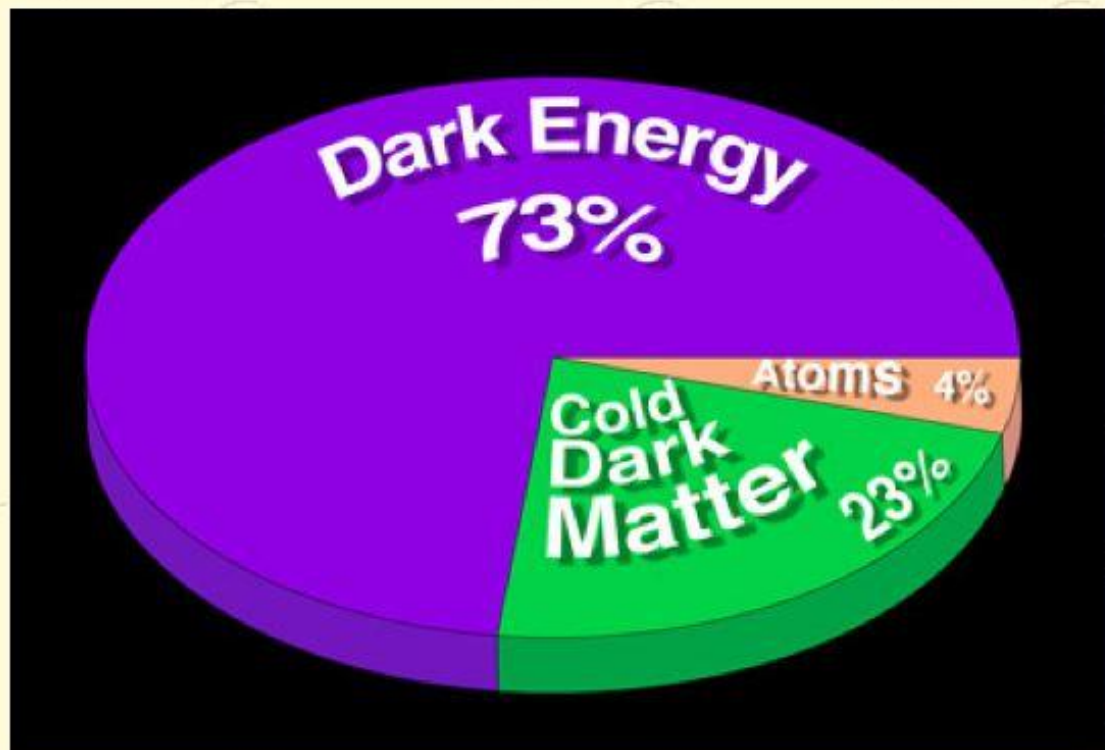


Simulated observations with
a 50m *by Peter Linde*

Need ~100m to reach Virgo
Need AO-corrected imaging over
10 arcsec - preferably in optical

Cosmology:

96% of Universe unaccounted for

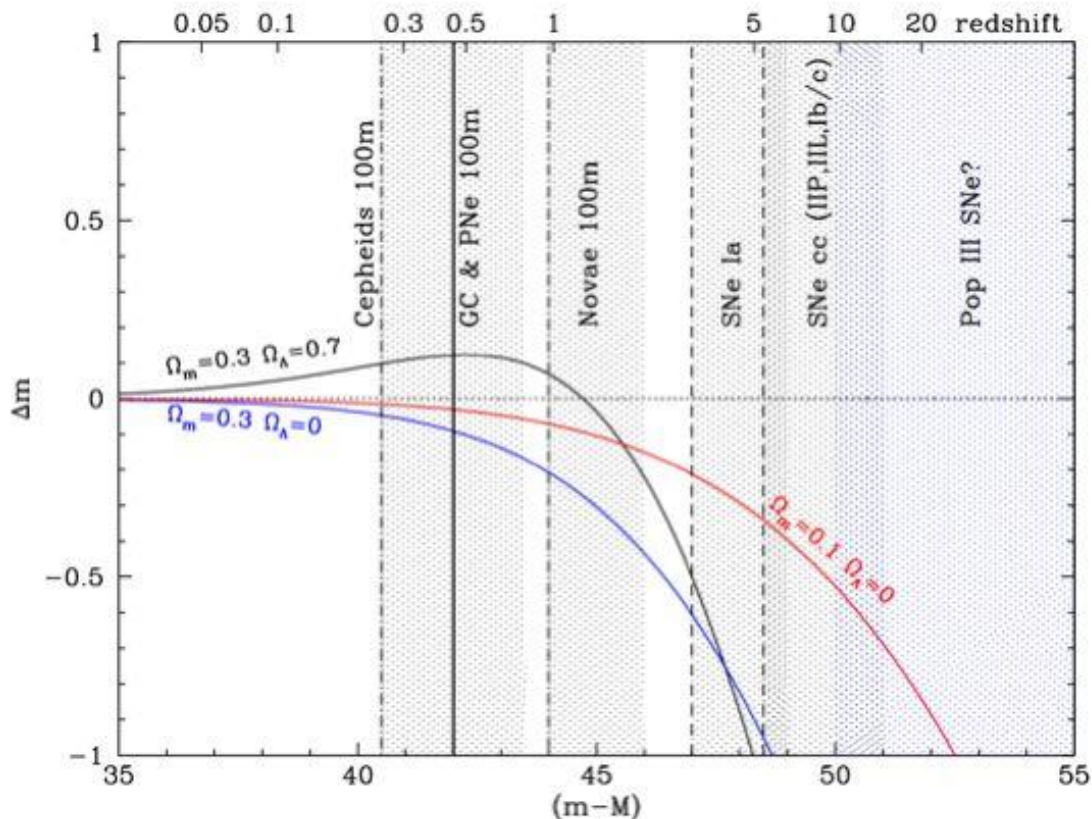


It is indeed embarrassing that 95% of the universe is unaccounted for: even the dark matter is of quite uncertain nature, and the dark energy is a complete mystery

Sir Martin Rees, Astronomer Royal



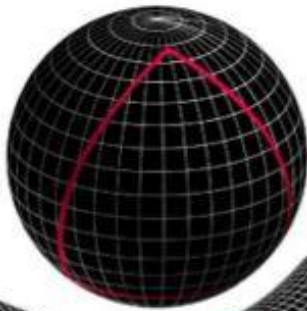
Measure of cosmic parameters with primary distance indicators



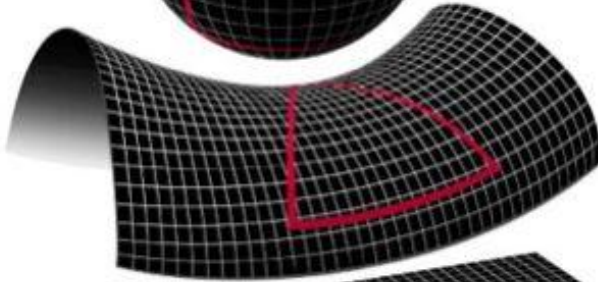
Note: NOT H_{NOT} ☺

Geometry

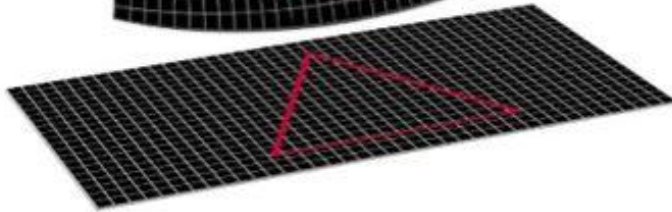
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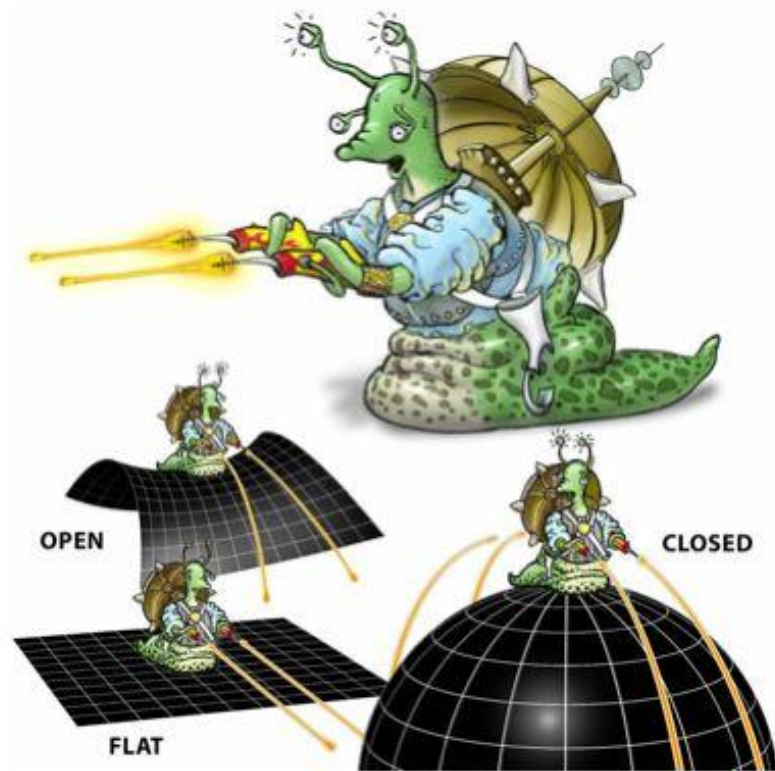
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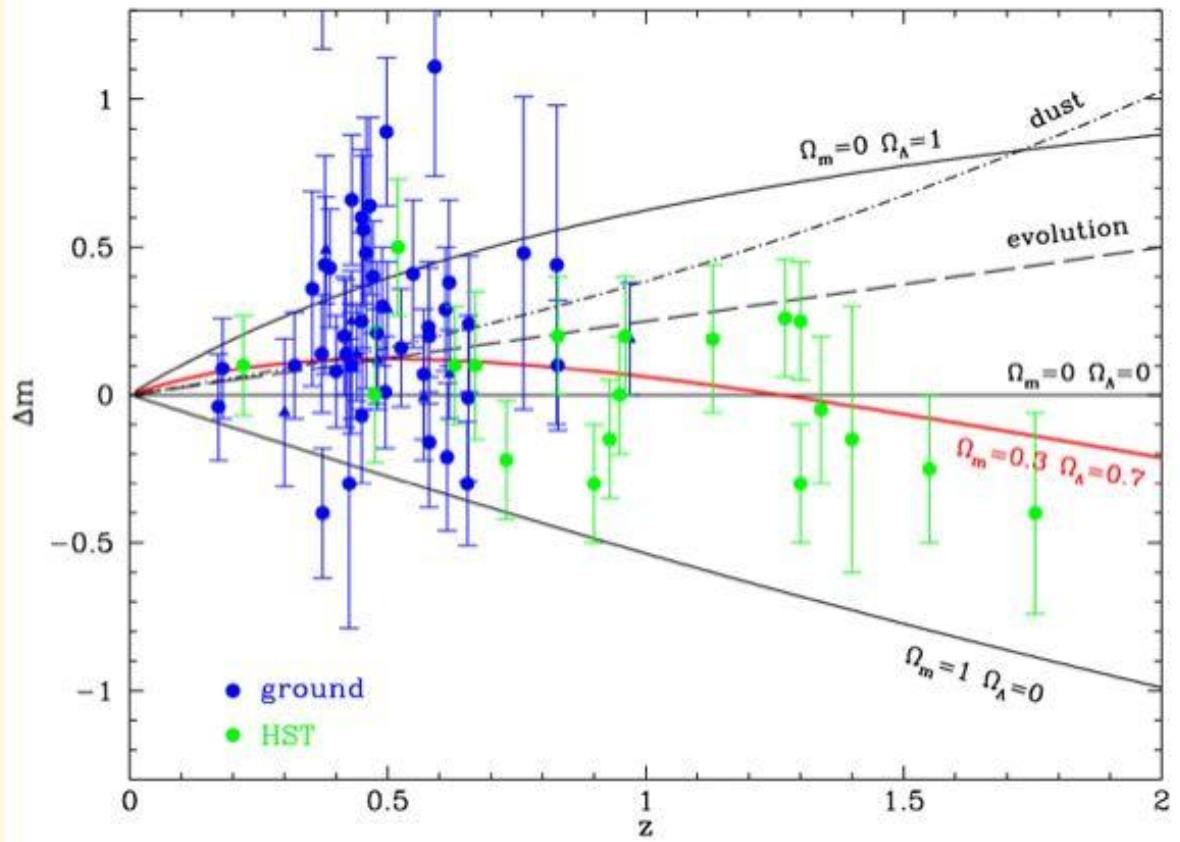


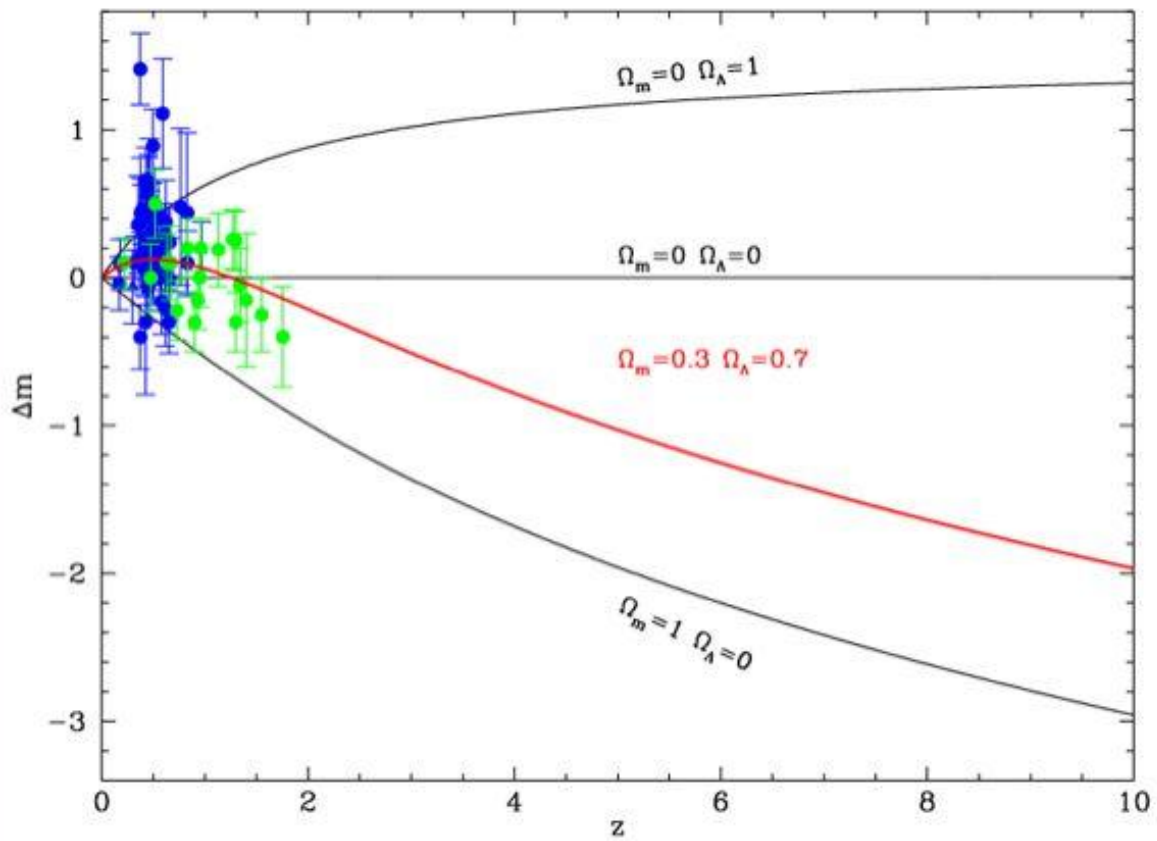
WMAP has shown that the Universe is flat

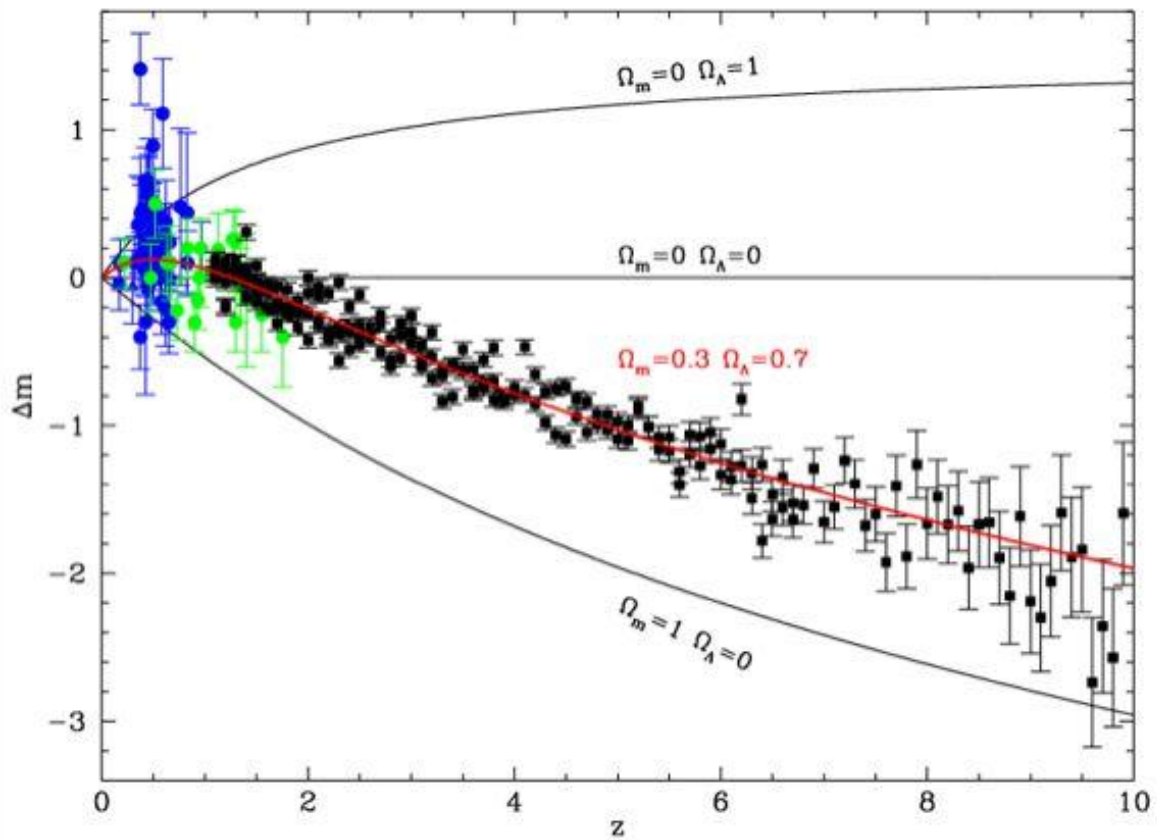
Science with OWL: a practical case

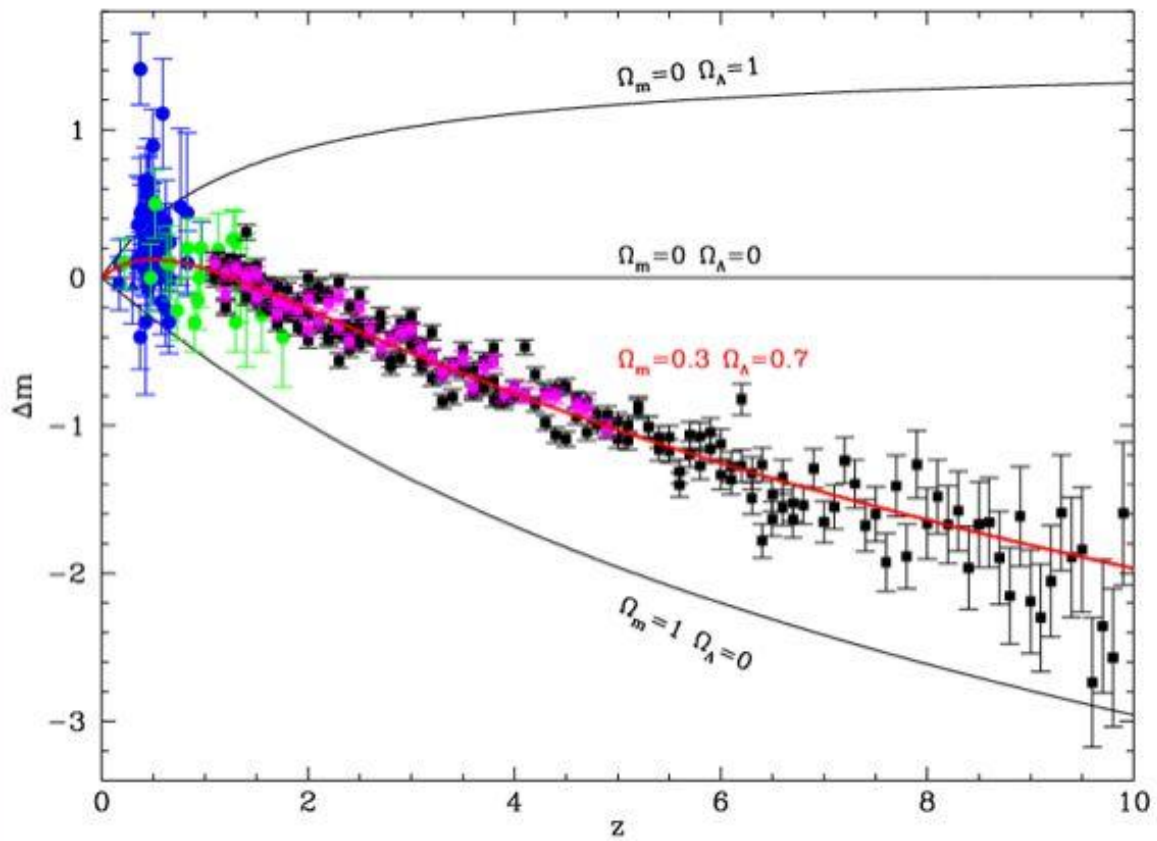
- The cosmic SN rate up to $z \sim 10$
 - Simulations of OWL observations yield:
 - $Jx3+Hx3+Kx7$: ≥ 200 SNe (extrapolating Miralda & Riess 1997) or ≥ 400 SNe (MDP 1998)
 - Light curves, photometric redshifts (galaxy & SN)
 - Spectroscopy $\mathfrak{R} \sim 50$: ~ 50 -100 SNe at $z < 4.5$
 - Spectral classification:
 - **SNe Ia visible up to $z \sim 5$**
 - Blind below 2400Å, K last useful band
 - **SNe II visible up to $z \sim 10$**
 - Strong UV emitters (time-dilated UV flash)
 - **Pop III SNe (?)**
 - Possibly much brighter and visible to $z \sim 20$

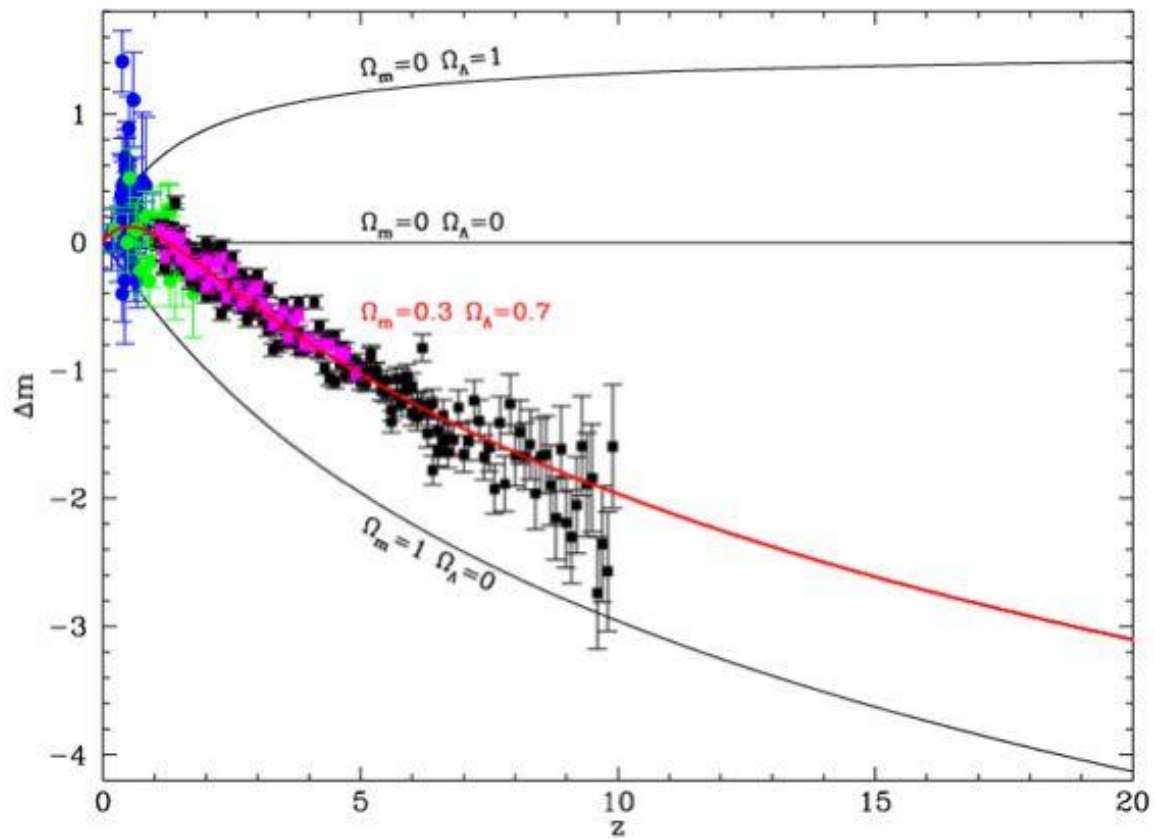


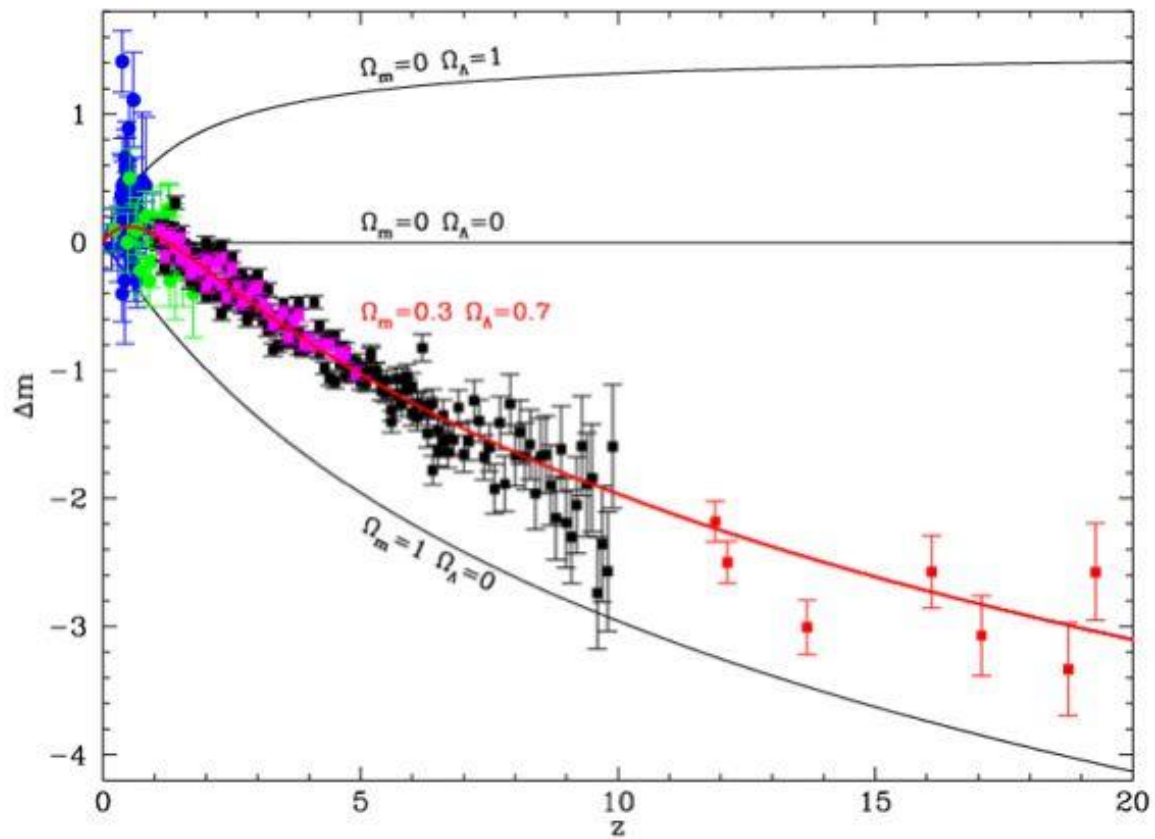


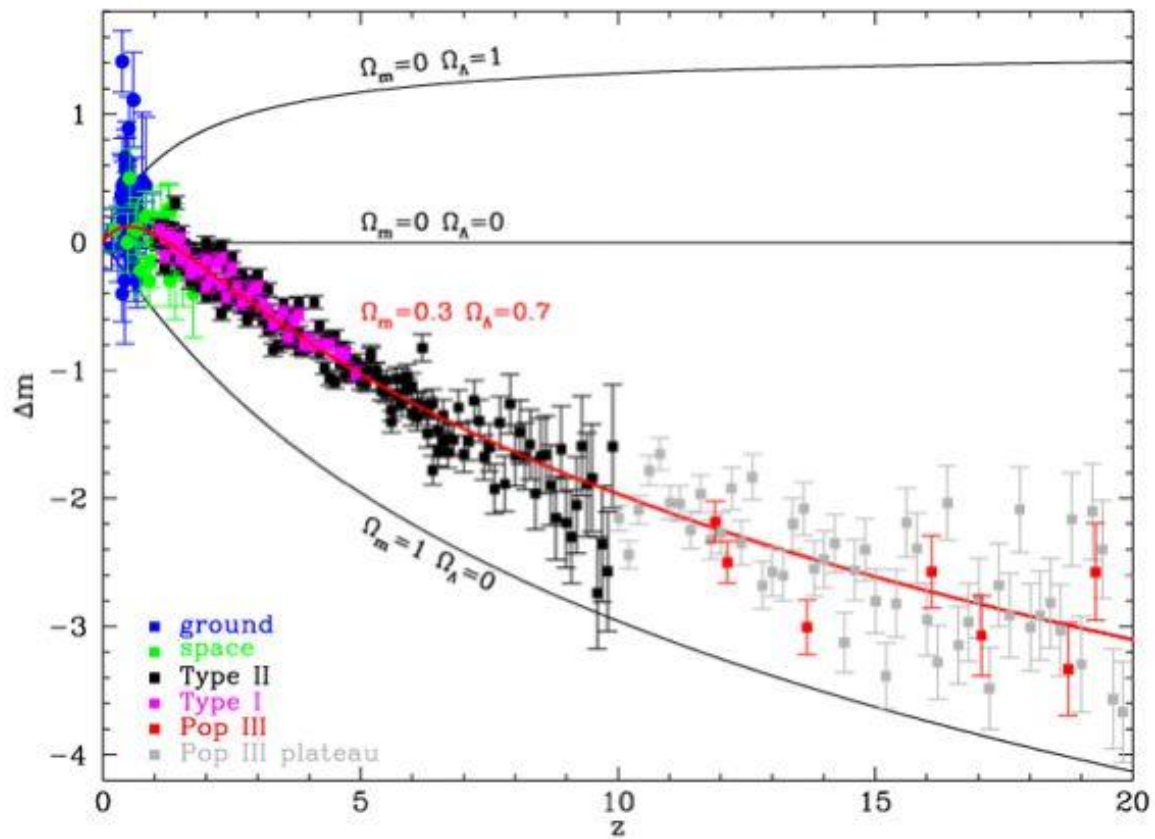














Requirements from this case

- **Field of view**
 - 2x2 arcminutes
- **Resolution**
 - Diffraction limited at J
- **Pixel size: $0.5 \lambda/D \sim 1.6 \text{ mas}$**
 - ➔ **$75,000 \times 75,000 > 5 \text{ G pix}$**

(that's $> 1 \text{ m}^2$ for $15 \mu\text{m}$ pixels)

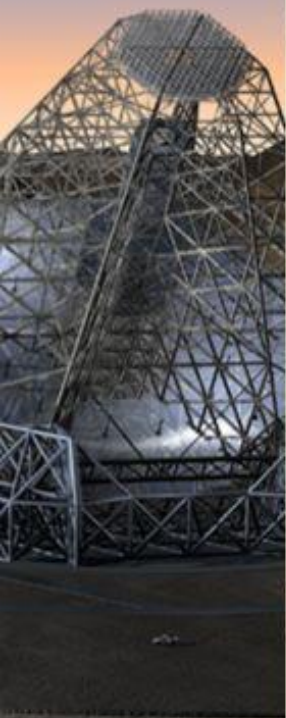
(at present cost of 10¢/pix this would be $\sim \$500$ million)

(hopefully controllers will be manageable by then)



What can be done?

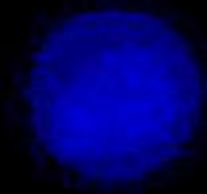
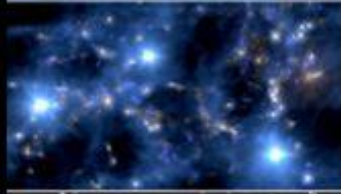
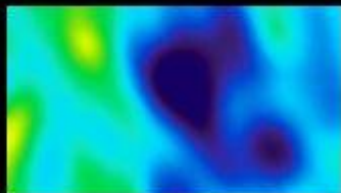
- **Resize science case**
 - Factors of a few are possible
- **Smart focal plane coverage**
 - Observe only where is needed
- **This may reduce 10x-20x**
- **Need for a break-through**
 - eg: mass production of astronomy-grade detectors should decrease cost
 - Volume up by $> 100x$



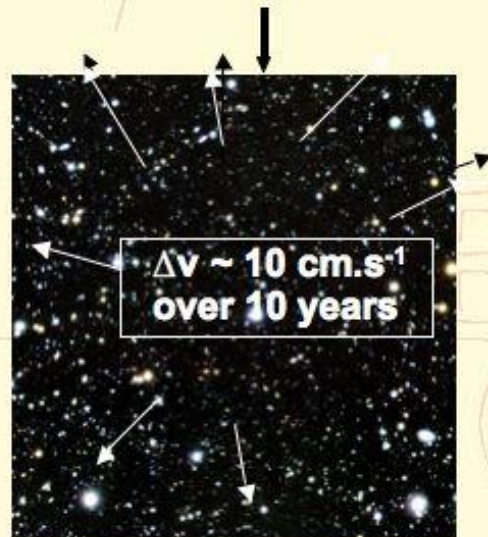
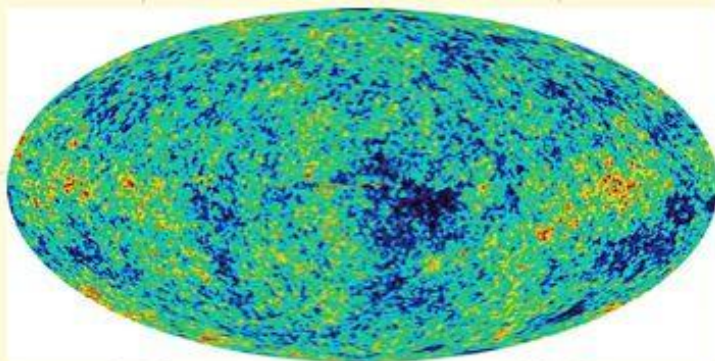
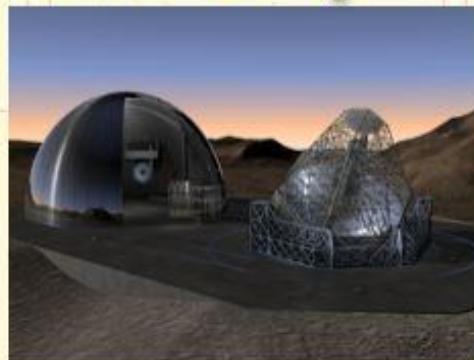
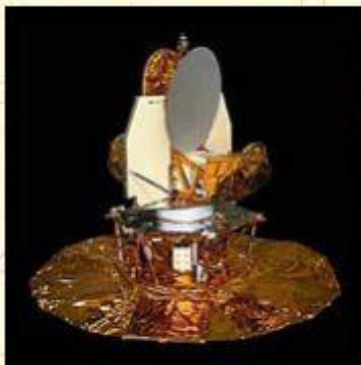


Back to dark matter...

$z=49.000$



Direct Measurement of q



As for WMAP, this experiment with OWL would provide a direct cosmological measurement, albeit a different one: the Universe acceleration around $z \sim 5$

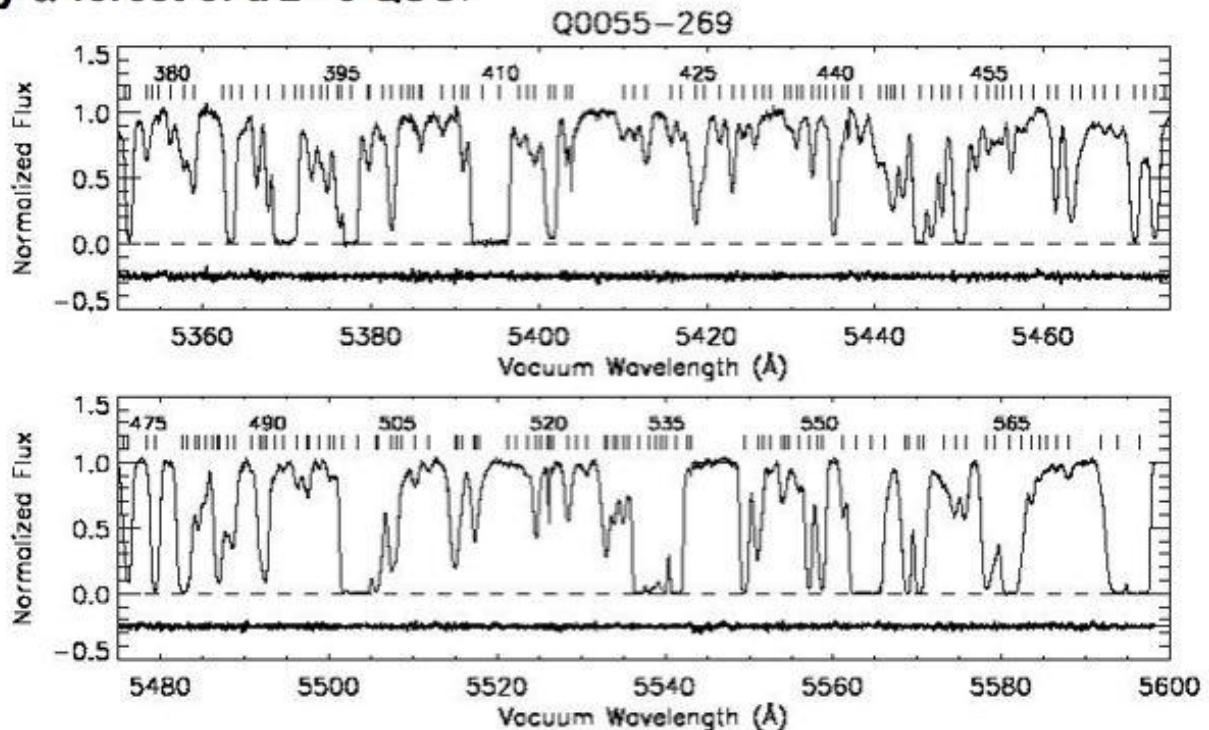
Direct Measurement of q

- ❖ direct measurement of cosmic deceleration
 - from 10 cm/s accuracy Ly α forest R.V. over 10 years (Loeb 1998; Cristiani et al. 2002)
- ❖ scientific feasibility ensured from:
 - $M_V < 17.5$ QSO samples done (HIRES/KECK - UVES/VLT)
 - high R.V. accuracy reached for exo-planets (e.g. HARPS)
 - high collecting power



Direct Measurement of q

Ly α forest of a $z > 3$ QSO.



More challenges: cost

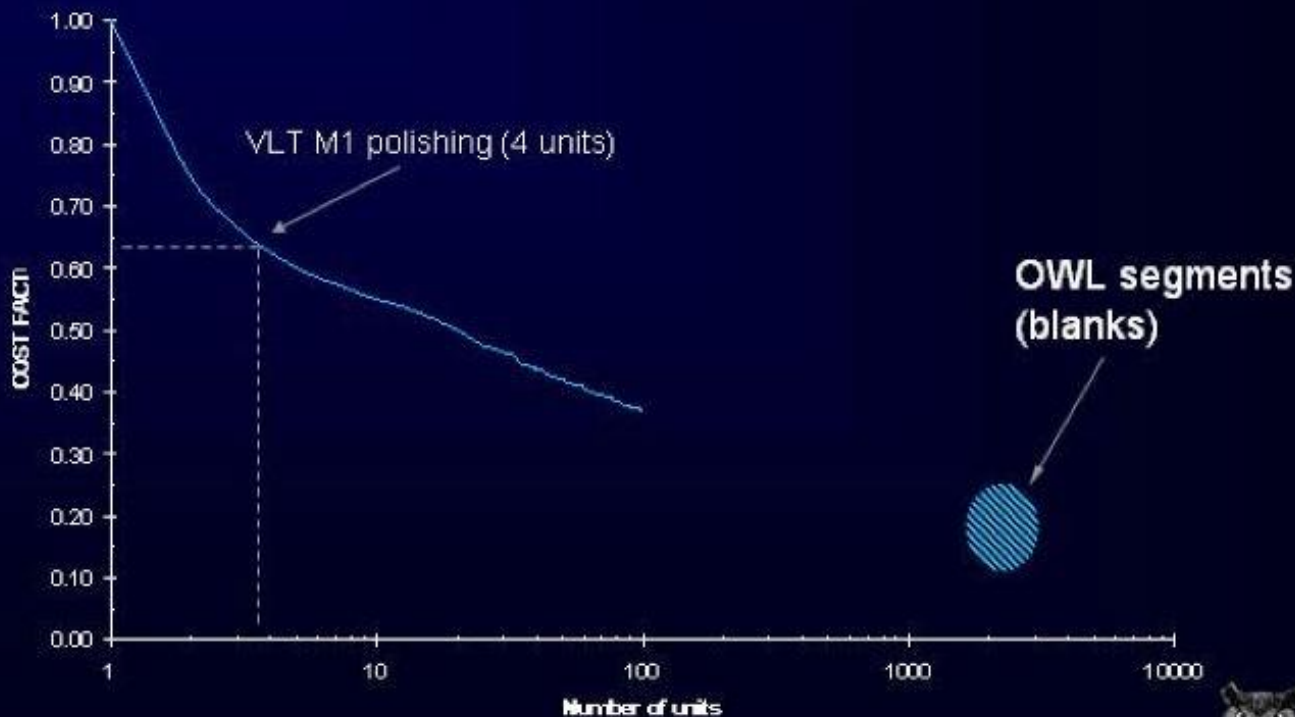
- **Break the historical $D^{2.6}$ cost law**
 - Innovative designs
 - Industrial involvement
 - To determine early in the process what is feasible
 - "New" concepts (e.g. serialized production)
 - New to the art of telescope making, that is
 - "Built-in" maintenance concepts
 - Running a facility with a goal of $\sim 3\%$ of capital per year
- **Constrain budget to a "reasonable" total**
 - e.g. $\text{cost}_{\text{OWL},100\text{m}} < \text{cost}_{\text{JWST},6\text{m}} < \text{cost}_{\text{HST},2.4\text{m}}$
- **Make design scalable where possible**

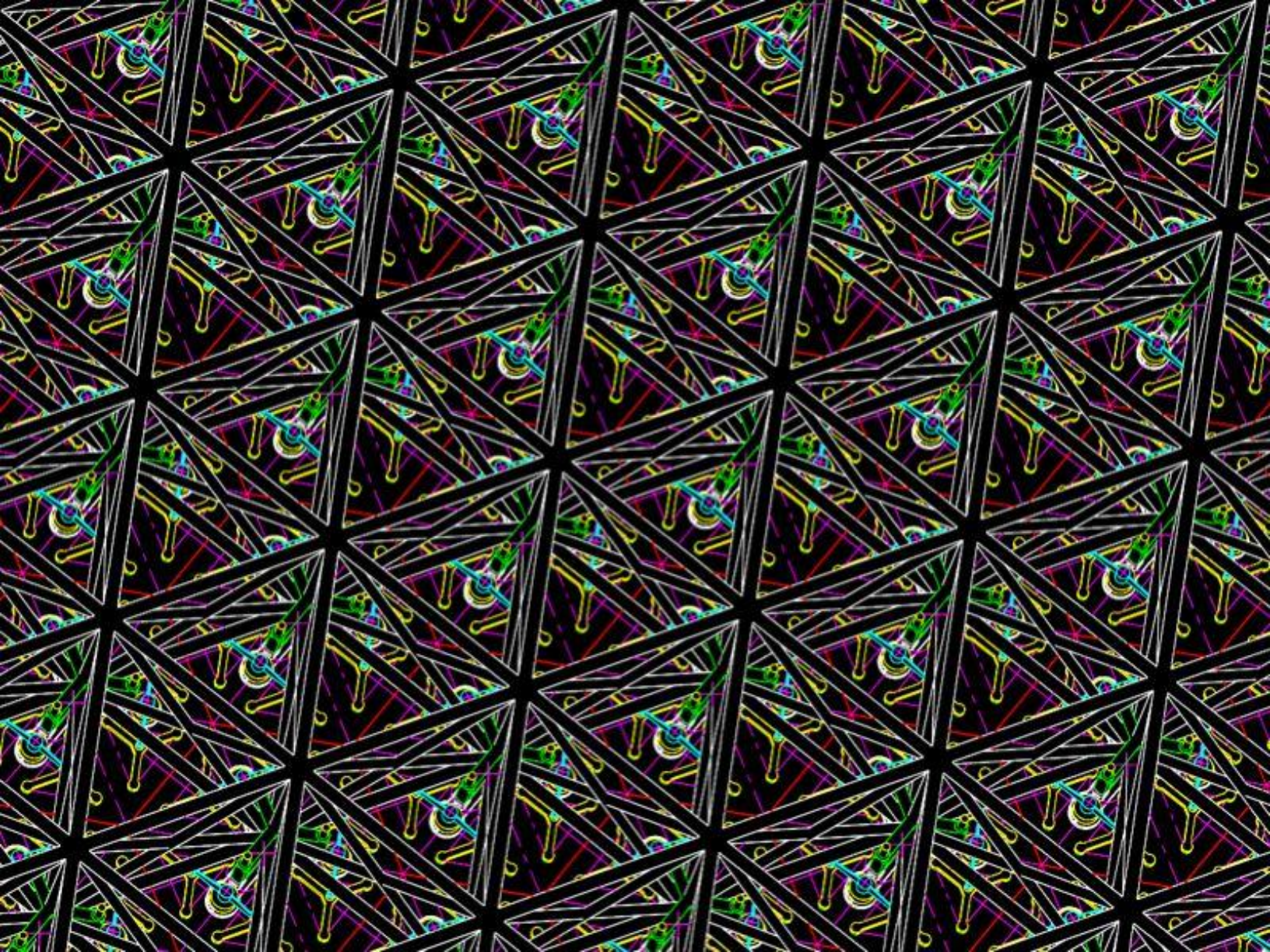




Cost vs quantity

Industrial data
Applies to conceptually simple items
(e.g. segments, structural nodes)





Feasibility – progress of technology

Glass-making

- Slowly evolving technology
- Extrapolation from 5-m required active optics!
- Not easily scaled

Reosc. St Pierre du Perray, 1999 →



Cornell, N.Y., 1993



8-m dia., 8.5 nm RMS

Optical figuring

- Metrology-dependent
- Rapid evolution
- Scalable (somewhat)

Segmentation

Wavefront control

- In-situ control of performance
- Dealing with inevitable error sources
- Tolerances relaxation
- Scalable

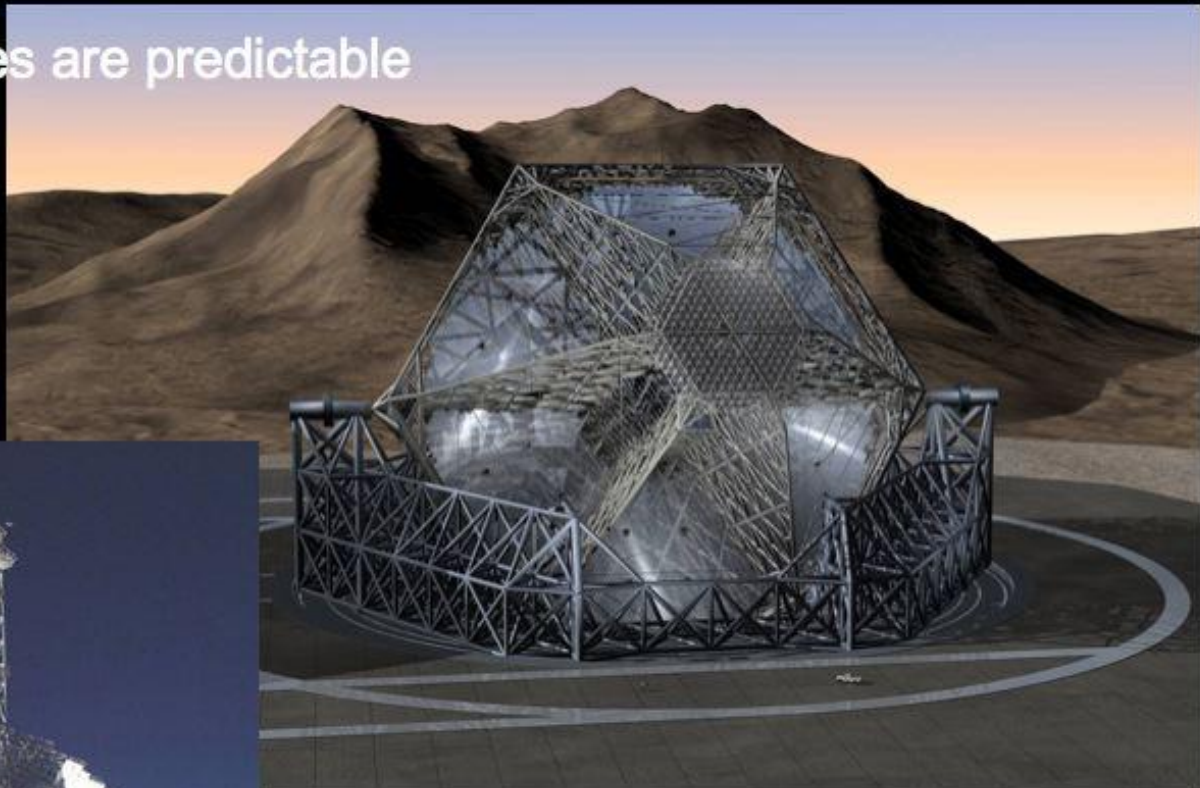
Active optics



Schott, Mainz, 1992



Large structures are predictable

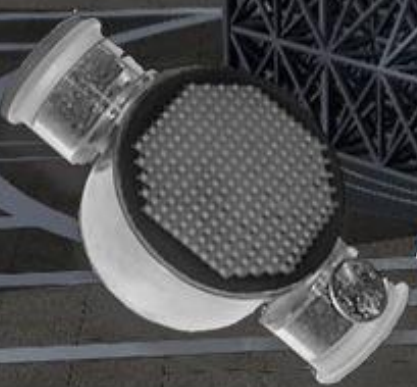
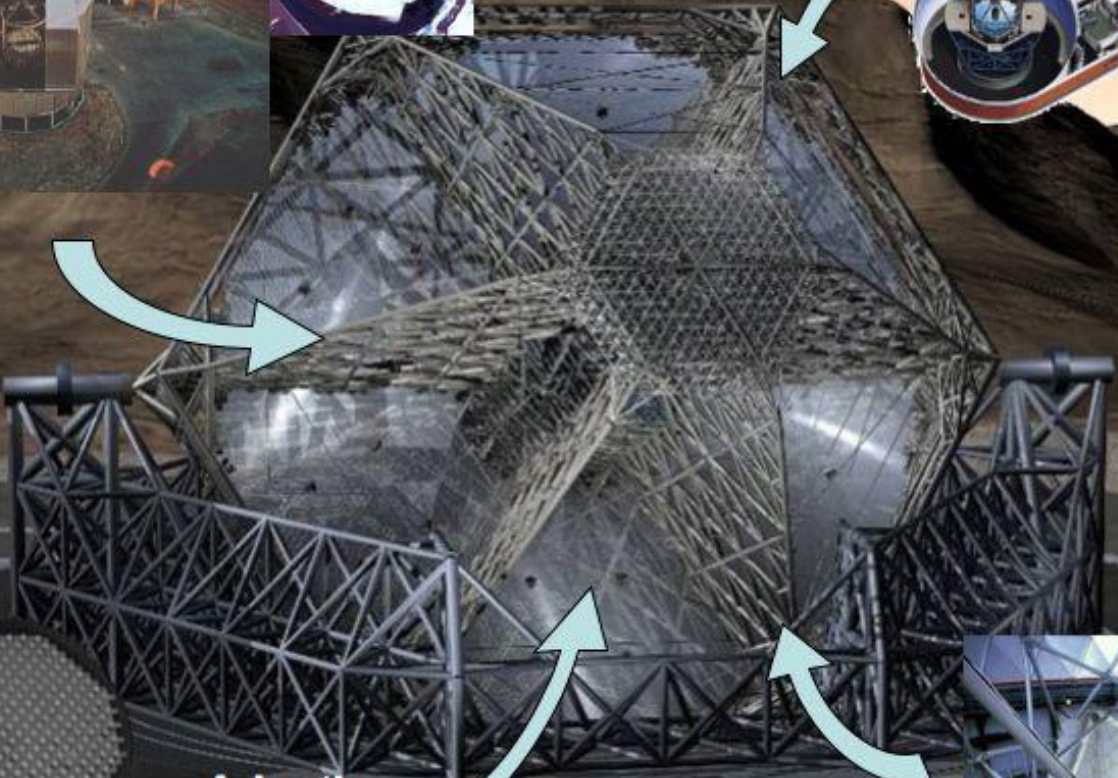


Green Bank
100-m, 7,300 tons
8 years construction
75 Mio. USD

VLT (Subaru, Gemini)
Active optics



Keck
Optical segmentation



Adaptive optics

Hobby-Eberly
Low-cost structures / optics



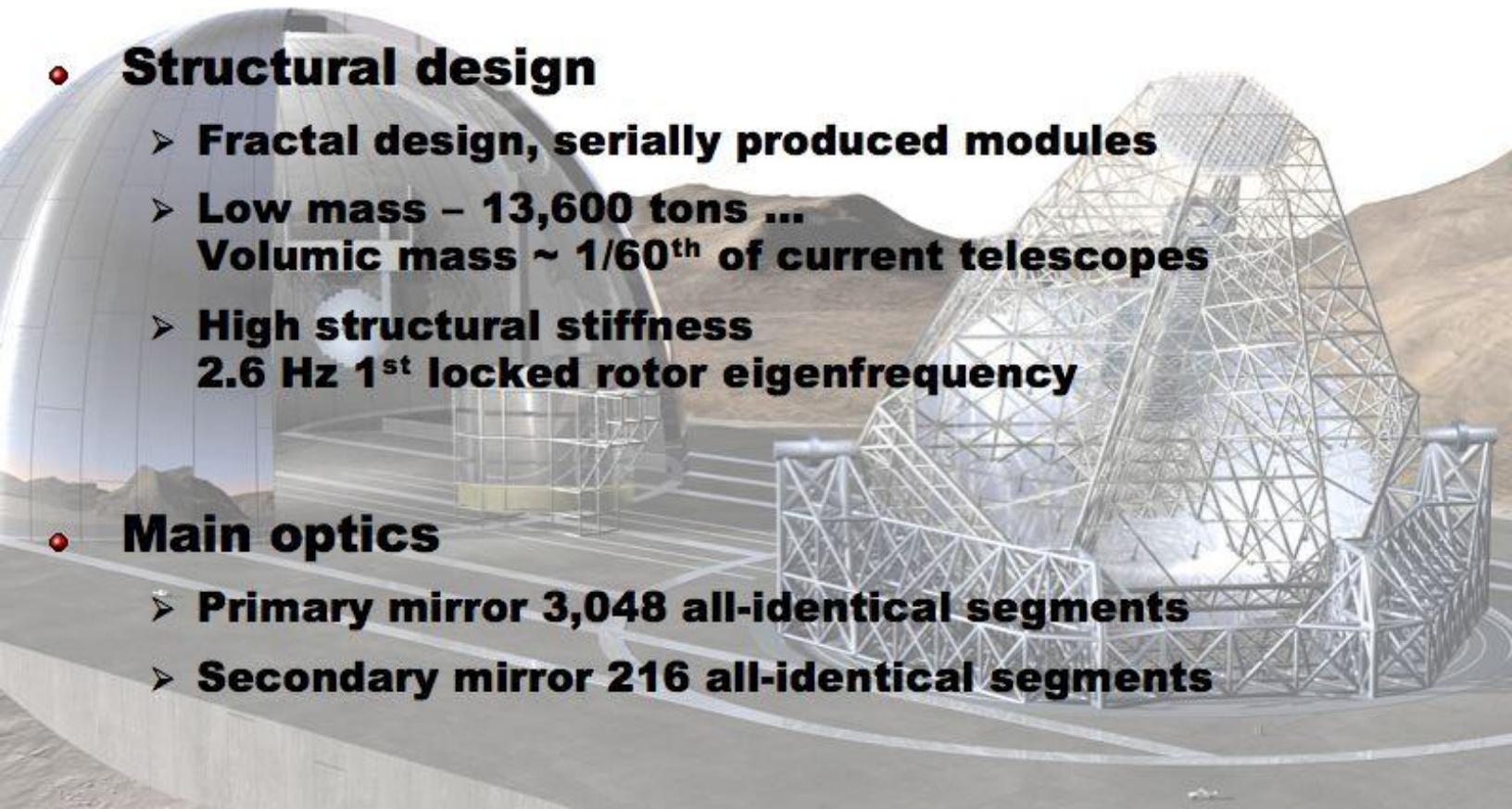
- **6,700 m² collecting area**
Angular resolution 0.001 arc seconds (visible)

- **Structural design**

- **Fractal design, serially produced modules**
- **Low mass – 13,600 tons ...**
Volumic mass ~ 1/60th of current telescopes
- **High structural stiffness**
2.6 Hz 1st locked rotor eigenfrequency

- **Main optics**

- **Primary mirror 3,048 all-identical segments**
- **Secondary mirror 216 all-identical segments**





Optical design

M2 - Flat, 25.6-m, segmented

M3 - Aspheric, 8.2-m, thin active meniscus

4-elements corrector

M4 - Aspheric, 8.1-m, thin active meniscus

M6 - Flat, 2.2-m, Exit pupil, field stabilization

M1 - Spherical, 100-m, f/1.2, segmented

M5 - Aspheric, 3.5-m, focusing

**10 arc min f/6
Field of view**



Controlled optical system

Pre-setting

Metrology:

Correction:



bring optical system into linear regime

internal, tolerances ~ 1-2 mm, ~5 arc secs

re-position Corrector, M3 / M4 / M5

Phasing

Metrology:

Correction:



keep M1 and M2 phased within tolerances

Edge sensors, Phasing WFS

Segments actuators

Field Stabilization

Metrology:

Correction:



cancel "fast" image motion

Guide probe

M6 tip-tilt (flat, exit pupil, 2.35-m)

Active optics

Metrology:

Correction:



finish off alignment / collimation



relax tolerances, control performance & prescription

Wavefront sensor(s)

Rotation & piston M5; M3 & M4 active deformations

Adaptive optics

Metrology:

Correction:



atmospheric turbulence, residuals

Wavefront sensor(s)

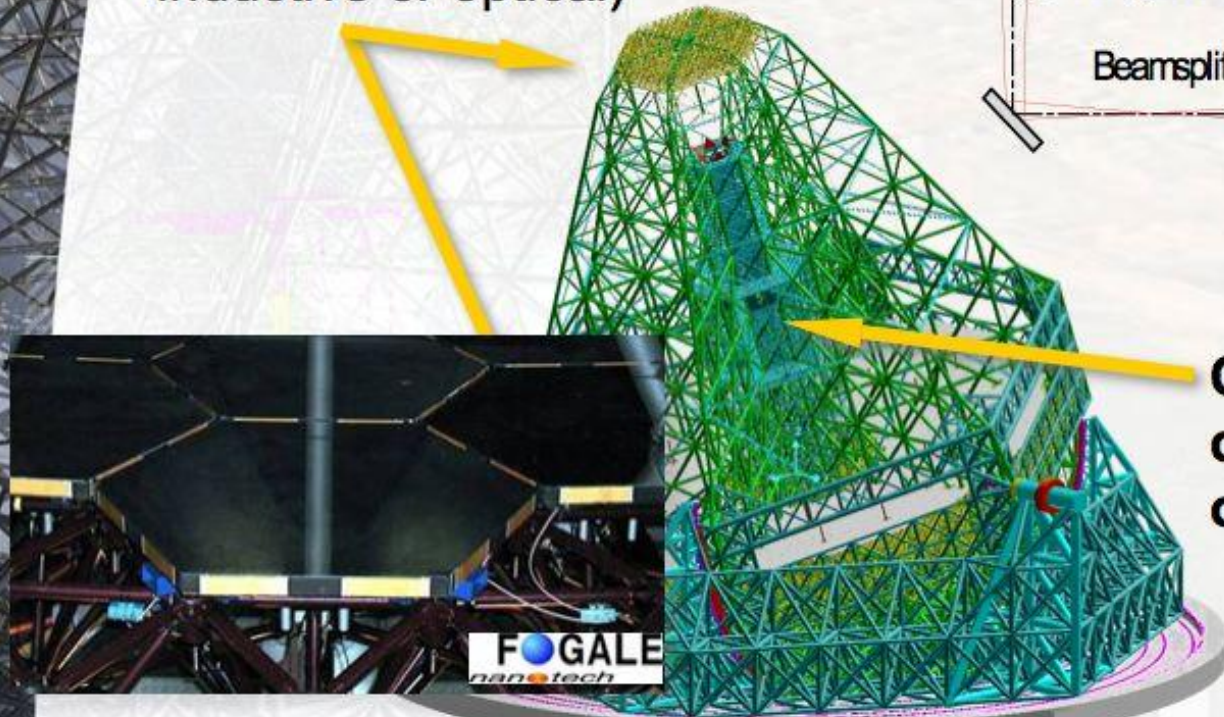
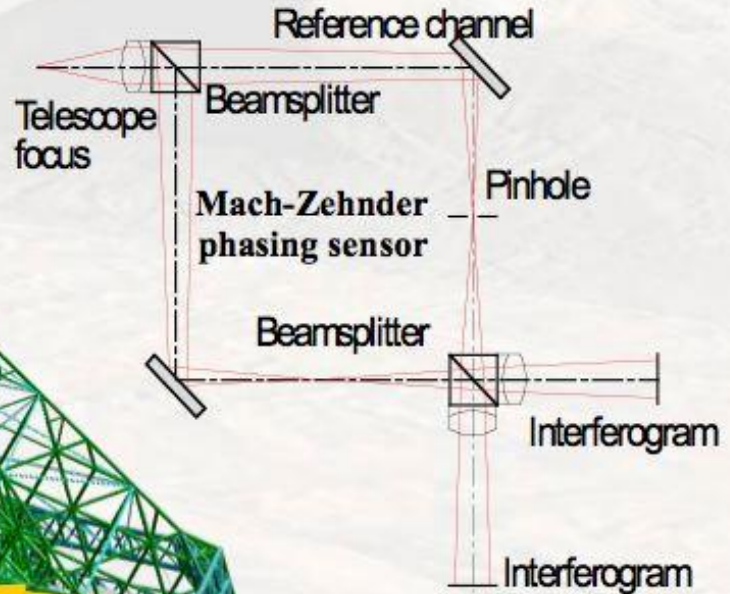
M5, M6, ...





Controlled opto-mechanical system IV – Phasing

Two segmented mirrors
Bandwidth ~5 Hz TBC
Edge sensors (capacitive,
Inductive or optical)



**On-sky
calibration
off-axis**





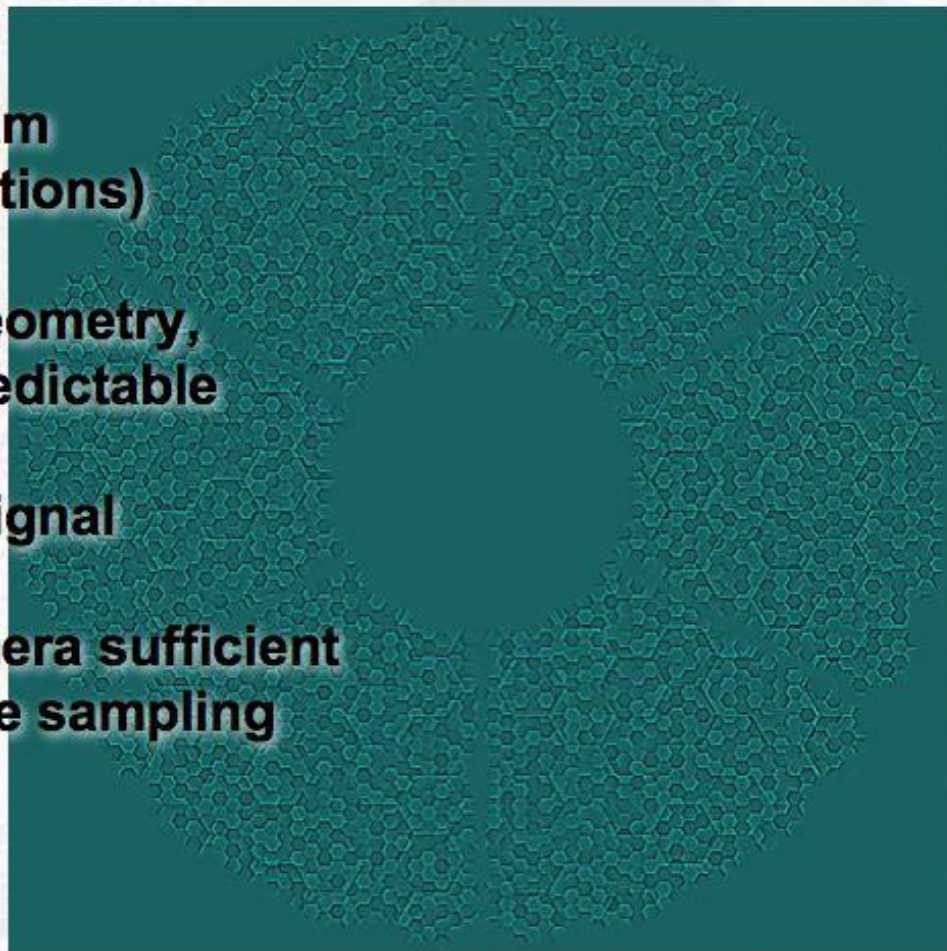
Mach-Zehnder calibration sensor

**Interferogram
(ideal conditions)**

**Complex geometry,
But fully predictable**

Localized signal

**2k x 2k camera sufficient
for adequate sampling**

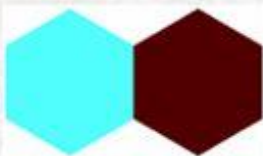




Piston, Tip, and Tilt: Examples

Phase

Piston only



X - tilts
same signs



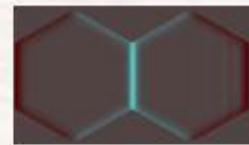
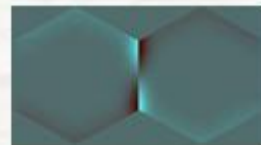
Y - tilts
opposite signs



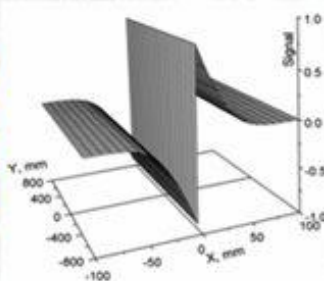
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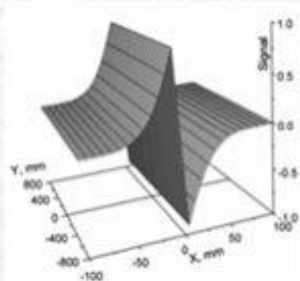
Signal



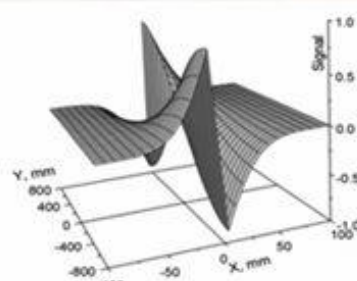
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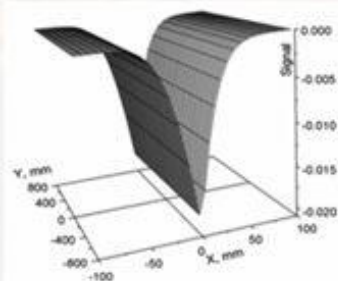
Antisymmetry
axis Y



Antisymmetry
axis Y



Antisymmetry
axis X



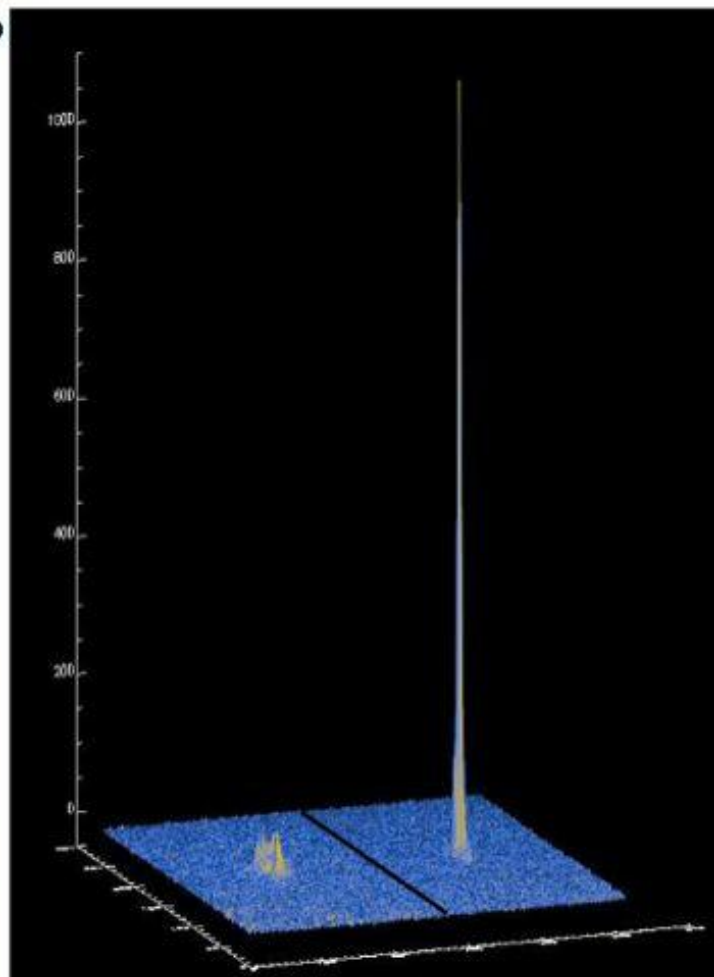
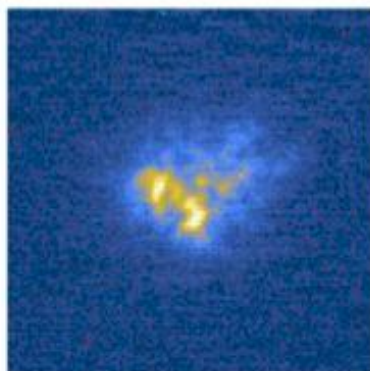
Symmetry
axis Y



Wishful thinking ?

Not really ...

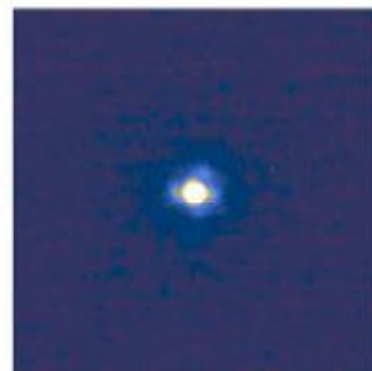
Uncorrected image
FWHM: 0.50"



Left: uncorrected

Right: corrected

AO corrected image
FWHM: 0.07"



"First Light" for NAOS-CONICA at VLT YEPUN
(November 25, 2001)



Adaptive Optics

	Today	2008	2015	2019
IR Deformable Mirrors	LBT (JWST)	Prototype	OWL 1 st Gen.	2 nd Gen.
Diameter	1-m (2-m)	0.3-m	2-m	4-m
Actuator spacing	30 mm	15 mm	20-25 mm	10 mm
XAO corrector				Moems/Pzt
Detector	256x256 ?		512x512	1kx1k
AO real time control			<i>Almost OK</i>	
Reference stars	NGS (LGS)		NGS	NGS / LGS

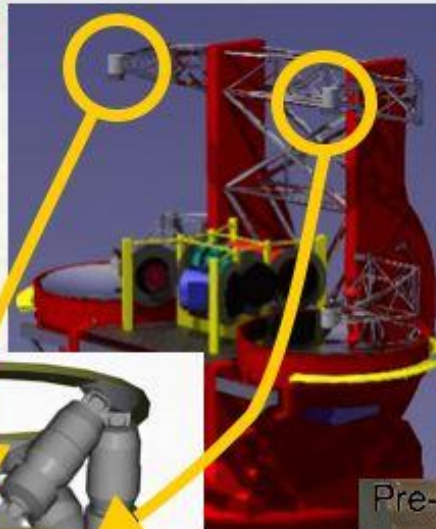
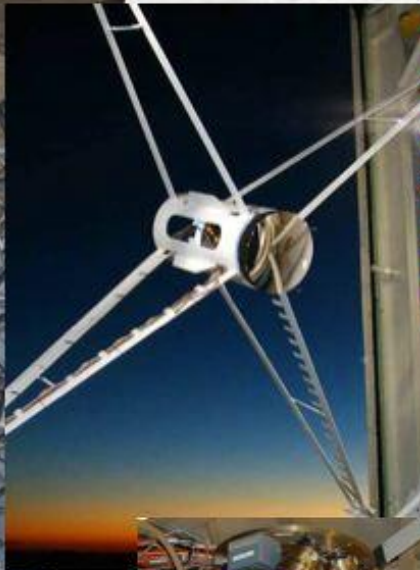
➤ High sky coverage in the near-IR (better filling of metapupil)
➤ LGS needed ~2018; lower number of LGS,
➤ Cone effect requires novel approaches e.g. PIGS (Ragazzoni et al)





Existing Large Adaptive Mirror Technology

MMT:
336 act
640mm diam
2.0mm thick
31 mm/act
(Jan 2003)



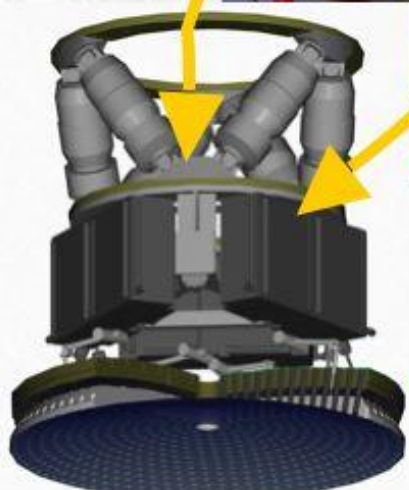
LBT (2 units):
672 act
911mm diam
1.6mm thick
31 mm/act
(in production)



P45proto



640mm



911mm



Pre-integration of final unit

Cost estimate (capital investment, 2002 M€)

SUMMARY	MEuros
OPTICS	406
Primary & secondary mirror units	355.2
M3 unit	14.4
M4 unit	21.4
M5 temporary unit	5.3
M6 temporary unit	10.1
ADAPTIVE OPTICS	110
M5/M6 design & prototypes	10
M6 AO unit	25
M5 AO unit	35
XAO units	20
LGS	20

MECHANICS	185	
Azimuth	53.8	
Elevation	34.9	
Cable wraps	5.0	
Azimuth bogies (incl. motors)	14.7	
Altitude Bogies & bearings	5.7	
Mirror shields	15.0	
Adapters	6.0	
Erection	50.0	
CONTROL SYSTEMS (*)	17	
Telescope Control System	5.0	
M1 Control System	8.0	
M2 Control System	2.0	
Active optics Control System	2.0	
CIVIL WORKS	170	
Enclosure	40.4	
Technical facilities	35.0	
Site infrastructure	25.0	
Concrete	70.0	
INSTRUMENTATION	50	
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Total without contingency	939	938.9

Diffraction-limited instrumentation

(acceptable étendue !)

Assumes "friendly site"

- Average seismicity (0.2g)
- Moderate altitude
- Average wind speed
- Moderate investment in infrastructures

(*) High level cs only; local cs included in subsystems





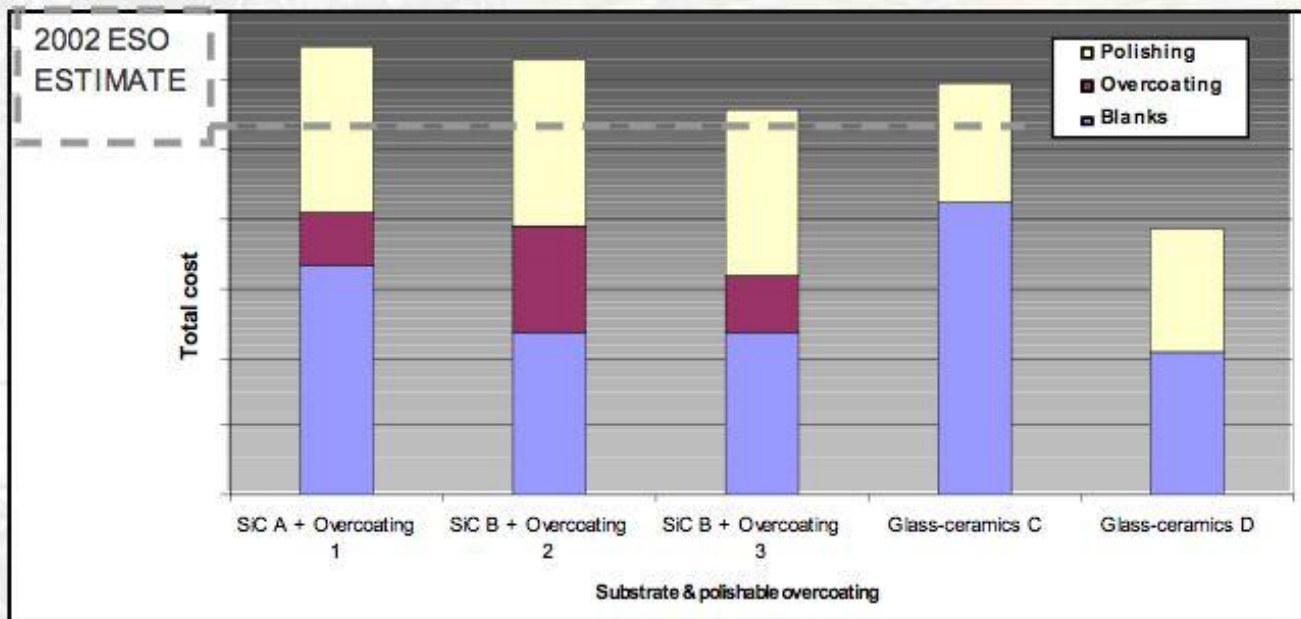
Cost estimates (industrial studies)

Primary & secondary mirror segments; 1.8-m; polished, prices ex works.

Blanks: SiC (2 suppliers A and B) with overcoatings (3 suppliers 1, 2, 3)

Glass-Ceramics (2 suppliers C and D)

Polishing: 2 suppliers, only one shown (both agree within 10%)



Schedule estimate

1st light 2016, start of science 2017, completion 2021

1. Faster path to science start

- Order 8-m blanks in 2008
- Order (competitive) final designs of enclosure & structure in 2008
- Order competitive Preliminary designs of M6 in 2008

⇒ **1st light 2014, 50-m science 2015, completion 2019 (TBC);**

Requires advanced commitment of M€ ~55 in phase B (2006-2010)

2. Faster path to completion

- Advanced order of segments raw material (~50% of blanks cost)
 - Moderate increase segments storage capacity on-site
 - Moderate increase of maintenance capacity (or better coatings...)
 - Count on faster progress of AO technology / concepts
- ⇒ Cost TBD (probably low), **completion in 2018 ?**

NB: alternatives mostly a cash flow problem





Near future



- Phase A report end-2005
- ELT Design Study
 - FP6 EC-funded technology development programme
 - 31.5 M€, approved, running
 - 30 partners under ESO's lead
- 2006-2010 OWL Phase B
 - Estimated cost 43 M€
 - Major design contracts (subsystems)
 - Prototyping, breadboards
 - Site selection (2008)

See also www.eso.org



Conclusions

OWL is a concept already at an advanced stage of design

- Design supported by analysis & competitive industrial studies
- Cost estimate > 50% completed, supported by competitive studies
- Cost-effective design principles & solutions allow major jump in capability

Substantial science at early stage

- Schedule constrained by funding, not by technology
- Progressive implementation of capabilities
- 60-m with IR AO in 2017, 100-m with MCAO in 2019

European-wide technology & concepts development

- Industrial & academic synergy
- ELTs “building blocks”, design-independent

Concerns

- Adaptive optics
- Wind
- Pavlov
- Money
- Detectors

...and solutions

Gradual implementation, max. time for R&D
SiC segments, embedded wind screens, etc.
Think seeing = 0.001 arc seconds, $v=37-38$
Open to suggestions.
It's up to you, guys!



Cast of characters



E. Brunetto
Optomechanics



P. Dierickx
Project Management / Engineering



G. Monnet
Co-PI, Instrumentation



L. Noethe
Wavefront Control



M. Dimmler
Control Systems



E. Fedrigo
Adaptive Optics



M. Quattri
Enclosure / Infrastructure



T. Sadibekova
Site Selection



R. Gilmozzi
Prime Investigator (PI)



F. Gente
Wavefront Control



M. Sarazin
Site Selection



J. Spyromilio
Science & Observatory Operations



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