Achromatic multi-four quadrant phase mask : laboratory demonstration

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Monochromatic four quadrant phase mask



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FQPM achromatization

•Halfwave plates

Mawet et al. 2006 Boccaletti et al. 2008



• Sub-lambda grattings Mawet et al. 2005, 2006



• Mach-Zender interferometer

Carlotti et al. 2008

• Multi-stage four quadrant phase mask \rightarrow MFQPM Baudoz et al. 2008

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Multi-stage FQPM principle









MFQPM prototype

630nm to 870nm ($\Delta\lambda$ =240nm, 32% bandwidth) Aperture : F/D = 40

 $\lambda_3 = 800 \text{nm}$ $\lambda_2 = 690 \text{nm}$ $\lambda_1 = 740 \text{nm}$



Full pupil R=3 : images

- 630 to 870nm $\rightarrow \Delta \lambda = 32\%$
- Aperture F/D=40
- Throughput = 72%

Total energy rejection ~ 2000 → limited by speckles (no calibration)



Different scales

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No coronagraph $f = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{1}{2} \frac{$



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Full pupil R=4.8

- Throughput = 56%
- Aperture : F/D=250-300
- Differential imaging (factor 10 on raw contrast)

Contrast 1.5 10^8 at 4.5 λ_0 /D SNR=4.5



Obstructed pupil R=3

- 630 to 870nm $\rightarrow \Delta\lambda$ =32%
- Aperture : F/D=40
- E-ELT pupil
- Throughput = 86%











Obstructed pupil R=3 : pupil images



No coronagraph

1st Lyot stop

2nd Lyot stop

3rd Lyot stop

Obstructed pupil R=3 : images 630 to 870nm $\rightarrow \Delta \lambda = 32\%$ Throughput = 86% No speckle calibration τ = total rejection Lab images No coronagraph 1 FQPM 2 FQPM 3 FQPM $\tau = 261$ $\tau = 47$ **Numerical images** 2 FQPM 3 FQPM No coronagraph 1 FQPM = 299 $\tau = 35$

Phase errors 10 nm rms

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Obstructed pupil R=3 : images



Obstructed pupil R=3 : spectra MFQPM E-ELT T=86% Δλ=32% On-axis Off-axis $4\lambda_0/D$ 0.0010 $\Delta\lambda = 32\%$ www.ww intensity Mun mun Normalized Fiber diameter ~ 1 λ_0 /D 0.0001 No speckle calibration 650 700 750 800 Wavelength in nm

Obstructed pupil R=3 : lab planet

630 to 870nm $\rightarrow \Delta \lambda$ =32% E-ELT pupil Throughput = 86%

Lab planet : 1.5 10^{-4} at 3.47 λ_0/D



Detected with SNR=2

No speckle calibration

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Conclusions

- MFQPM very easy to build (works at every λ) already specified for space (JWST)
- Full pupil, F/40, 32% bandwidth, T=72% 2000 total energy rejection Full pupil, F/250, 20% bandwidth, T=56% 10⁸ contrast at 4.5 λ_0 /D
- Obstructed pupil (E-ELT), F/40, 32% bandwidth, T=86%
 650 total energy rejection
 1.5 10⁻⁴ lab planet at 3.5 λ₀/D detection

Ongoing works :

- **New prototype** with less optic aberrations \rightarrow flatten spectra
- Association with a speckle calibrator/killer (Self-coherent camera)

See Marion Mas talk tomorrow

Thanks

Self-coherent camera + four quadrant phase mask coronagraph



Integral Field Spectrometer + Self-coherent camera

Aberrations = function of λ (Fresnel propagation)

Spectral deconvolution strongly limited



One solution : SCC-IFS



Wavelength

MFQPM prototype

