

OWL Instrument Concept Studies

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OUTLINE :

- **Scope and setting up of the studies**
- **Quick presentation of the instrument concepts**
- **Summary of the results and feedback to telescope design**

SCOPE

- ❖ to support the main OWL science cases with **feasible instrument concepts**
- ❖ to verify and optimize the **telescope- instrument interfaces**
- ❖ to identify the instrument **enabling technologies** and the **required R&D**

BEWARE !

- ***Do not claim to cover all important science with OWL***
- ***The studies were completed in October 2005 only. Feedback to the telescope design will be taken into account in the next Phase of the project.***

SELECTION OF THE INSTRUMENT PACKAGE

- ❖ **Guided by requirements from OPTICON ELT Science Case and the previous work on OWL science**

- ❖ **Choice of external teams based on previous expertise on VLT or other large telescope instruments and availability at short call**

- ❖ **6 led by external P.I., 2 coordinated by ESO**



SETTING UP OF THE STUDIES

- ❖ **Studies officially launched in 3 and 4Q 2005. All completed by October 2005 (6-12 months)**
- ❖ **Steered by dedicated Statement of Work**
- ❖ **Supported by:**
 - **An ESO Instrument Scientist for each study**
 - **An OWL Telescope Interface Document**
 - **Exposure Time Calculator**
 - **Exchanges with telescope design and AO teams**

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INSTRUMENT	Wav. range	Main Capability	P.I. (I.S. at ESO)	INSTITUTES
CODEX	0.4-0.7 μm	High Velocity Accuracy, Visual Spectrograph	L Pasquini (ESO)	ESO, INAF-Ts, Geneve Obs, IoA Cambridge
QuantEYE	0.4-0.8 μm	Photometry at 10^{-3} - 10^{-9} second resolution	C.Barbieri & D.Dravins (R.Fosbury)	Padova Univ. & Lund University
HyTNIC	1.1-1.6 μm	High-contrast diffraction-limited Imager	O.Lardière, V.Borkowski & A.Labeyrie (G.Monnet)	LISE- Collège de France
EPICS	0.6- 1.9 μm	Camera-Spectrograph at diffraction limit	N.Hubin, M.Kasper, C.Vèrinaud (ESO)	ESO + ext. experts
MOMFIS	0.8-2.5 μm	Near IR Spectrograph using many deployable IFUs	J.G.Cuby (M.Casali)	CRAL, LAM, OPM
ONIRICA	0.8-2.5 μm	NIR Imaging Camera on a field up to 3 x 3 arcmin	R.Ragazzoni (E.Marchetti)	INAF Arcetri ,Padova, Roma& Heidelberg MPIfA
T-OWL	2.5-20 μm	Thermal, Mid Infrared Imager and Spectrograph	R.Lenzen & B.Brandl (H.U.Käufel)	MPIfA Heid., Leiden, ASTRON, ESO
SCOWL	250-450-850 μm	Imager at Sub-millimeter Wavelengths	B. Dent (R.Siebenmorgen)	ATC

The Study Teams were asked to :

Develop high priority science cases to define the requirements to the instrument



Derive an instrument concept and use it to estimate the performance and make the first guesses on volume, mass and cost



Assess performance in the context of present and future key facilities (JWST, ALMA) and as a function of diameter in the range 50-100m



Identify critical components



Identify discrepancies and special requirements to the telescope design

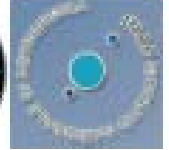
Outcome of the Studies:

- ❖ **Presentation and discussion of all study reports at ESO on September 27, 2005. They include quantitative science cases and advanced instrument concepts**

- ❖ **All Reports delivered to ESO by October 20 .
A total of 1200 A4 pages.**

- ❖ **Available as of last week to the Review Board on the OWL Documentation password-protected web site. Now on CD**

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PRIMARY SCIENCE GOAL:

To test the cosmological model by measuring the predicted drift in the redshift of distant sources as a function of time

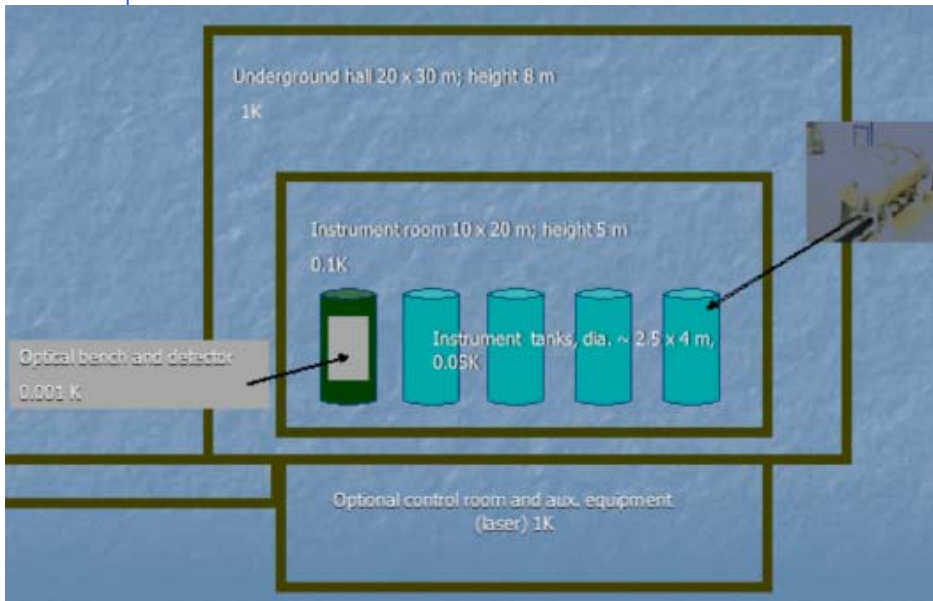
Unique in probing the validity of the dark matter and dark energy concordance model in the redshift range $z = 1.5- 4$. Based on **Dynamics, not Geometry** (\rightarrow High Z SNaE search and WMAP)

THE METHOD

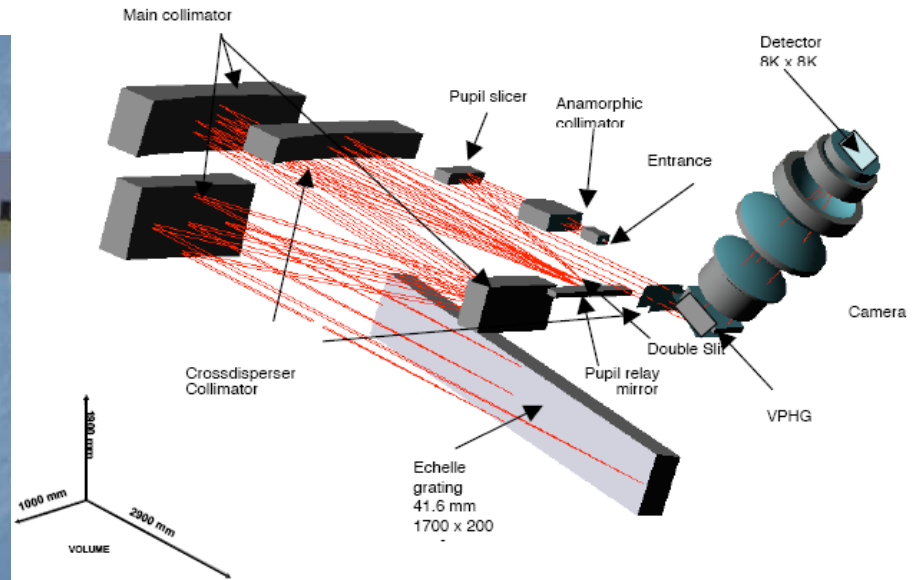
Exploits OWL huge collecting area and an high resolution spectrograph with a highly accurate and stable wavelength scale to measure the shifts in the Ly α forest and metal systems in the direction of bright QSOs over a large time interval (≥ 10 years).

THE INSTRUMENT :

High Resolution Spectrograph operating in the spectral range:400-680 nm at $R = 150000$ with a long term **stability of 1cm / s** from an absolute calibration and stable environment



CODEX Laboratory floor plan (with thermal requirements)



Optical layout of one of the 5 CODEX Unit Spectrograph

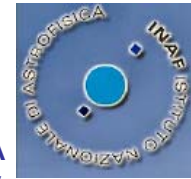
WILL ENABLE CORNUCOPIA OF UNIQUE SCIENCE. Three additional cases studied in the report:

- Cosmological variation of the Fine-Structure Constant: at the accuracy of the OKLO reactor measurement ($D\alpha/\alpha \sim 10^{-8}$)
- Terrestrial planets in extra-solar systems (radial velocity of Earth-mass planets, spectroscopy of planets in transit)
- BB nucleosynthesis by measuring primordial Li7 and Li6/Li7

CHALLENGES: CODEX implies:

- Very large, gravity invariant, thermally stable (0.01 K) laboratory fed by a coude train (fibre)
- Efficient optical design with novel features delivering a manageable 2D spectral format
- Calibration system with absolute reference (Laser comb project)
- Development of a number of advanced optical components

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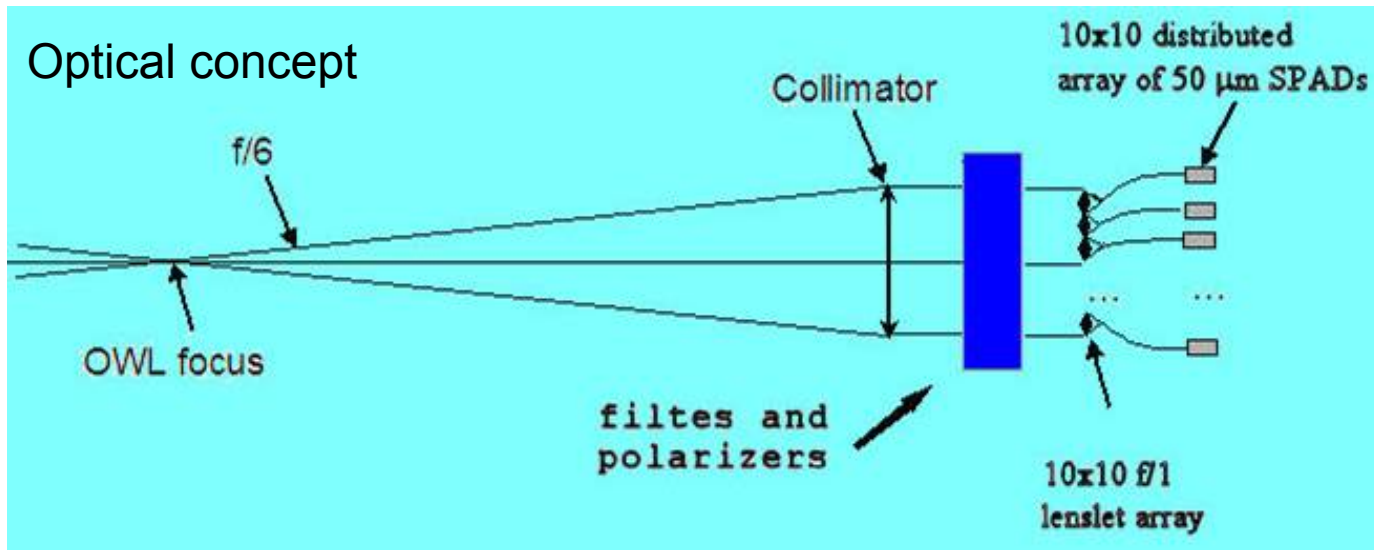
SCIENCE GOAL:

- To investigate photons and their properties in Astronomy beyond conventional imaging, spectroscopy, polarization, interferometry.
Open up quantum optics as another information channel from the Universe

- Proposal focussed on use of the OWL photon collecting power to explore for the first time photon arrival statistics of astrophysical targets at an unexplored time resolution, $\ll 10^{-3}$ s

(Potential targets: Millisecond pulsars ; Variability near black holes ; Surface convection on white dwarfs ; Non-radial oscillations in neutron stars ; Surface structures on neutron-stars ; Photon bubbles in accretion flows ; Free-electron lasers around magnetars ; Astrophysical laser-line emission)

INSTRUMENT CONCEPT : two head, high time resolution (10^{-3} - 10^{-9} s) photometer operating in the Vis-Red bands



The $f/6$ beam from OWL is collimated and sampled by a 10×10 array of 10×10 mm square section lenses, working at $f/1$ and feeding a 10×10 Single Photon Avalanche Diode Array

Optically simple, light instrument. It does not require AO

Advantages of very large telescopes in photon statistics

Telescope diameter	Intensity $\langle I \rangle$	Second-order correlation $\langle I^2 \rangle$	Fourth-order photon statistics $\langle I^4 \rangle$
3.6 m	1	1	1
8.2 m	5	27	720
4 x 8.2 m	21	430	185,000
50 m	193	37,000	1,385,000,000
100 m	770	595,000	355,000,000,000

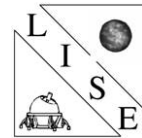
CHALLENGES:

- Reliability of high speed photon counting detectors
- Data handling computer
- Separate source intrinsic phenomena from atmosphere and telescope-instrument effects

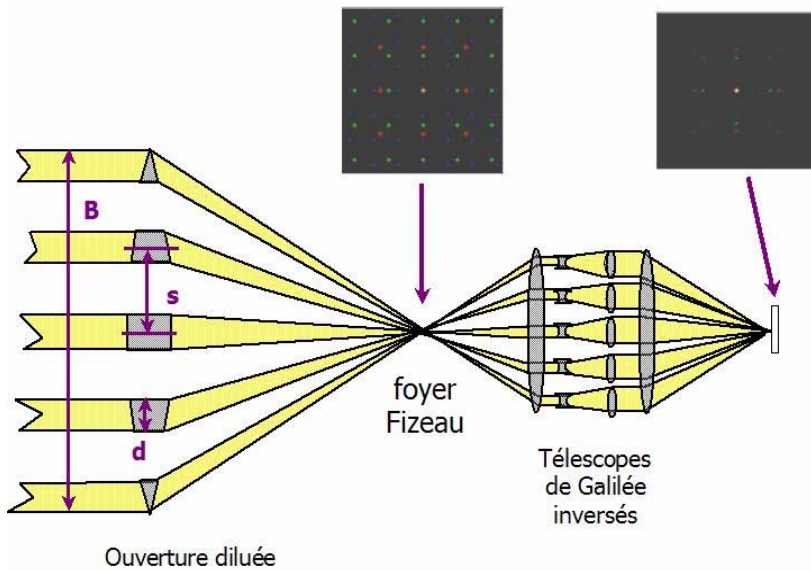
HYPERTELESCOPE CAMERA CONCEPT O.
Lardière, V. Borkowski and A. Labeyrie



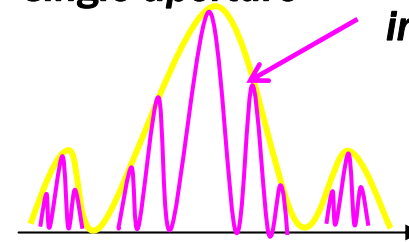
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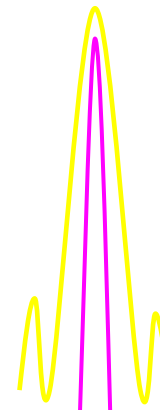
Hypertelescope is a multi-element imaging interferometric array



Envelope produced by a single aperture
interferences

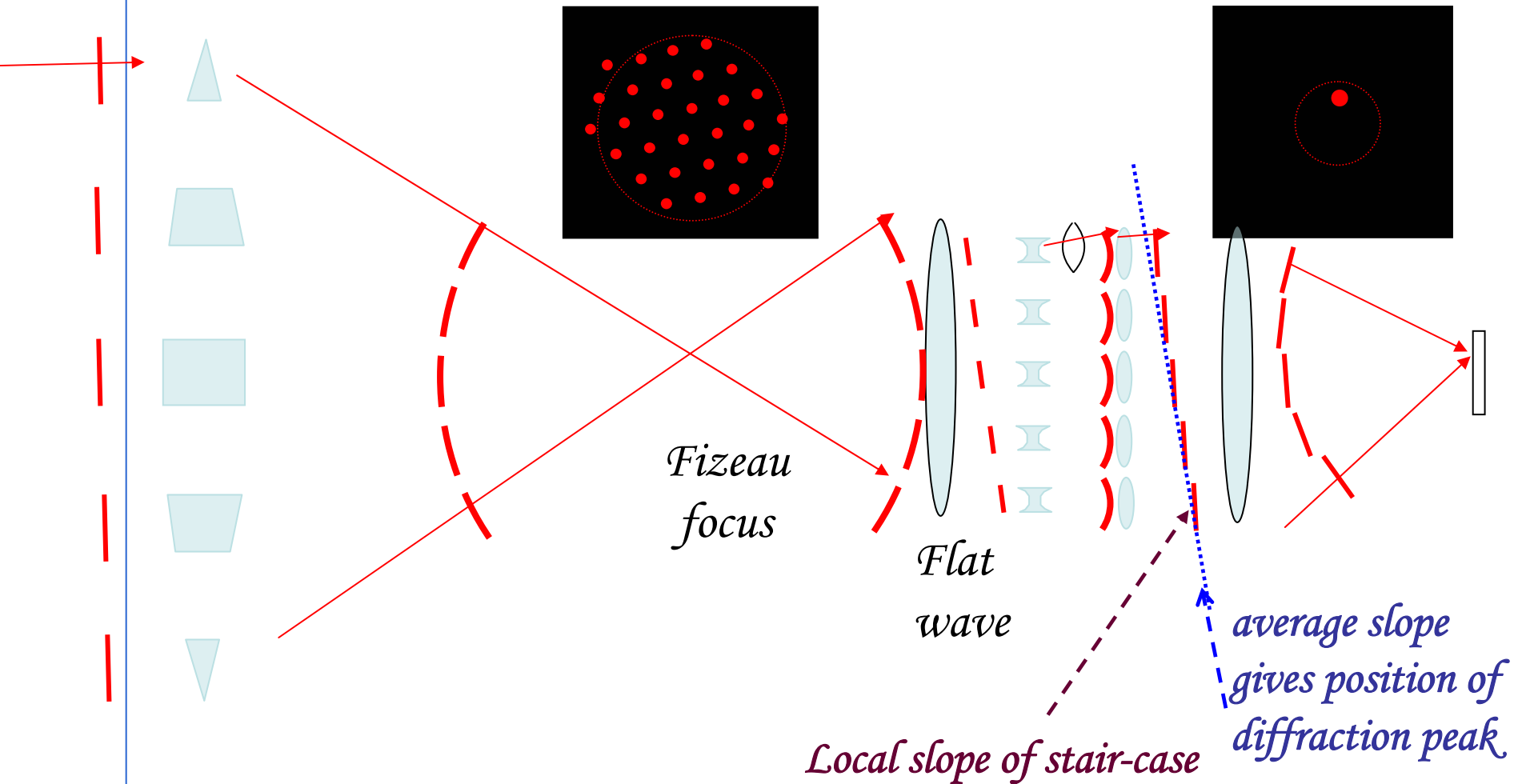


at Fizeau focus



after densification

Optical Concept of Hypertelescope (drawing by A.Labeyrie)

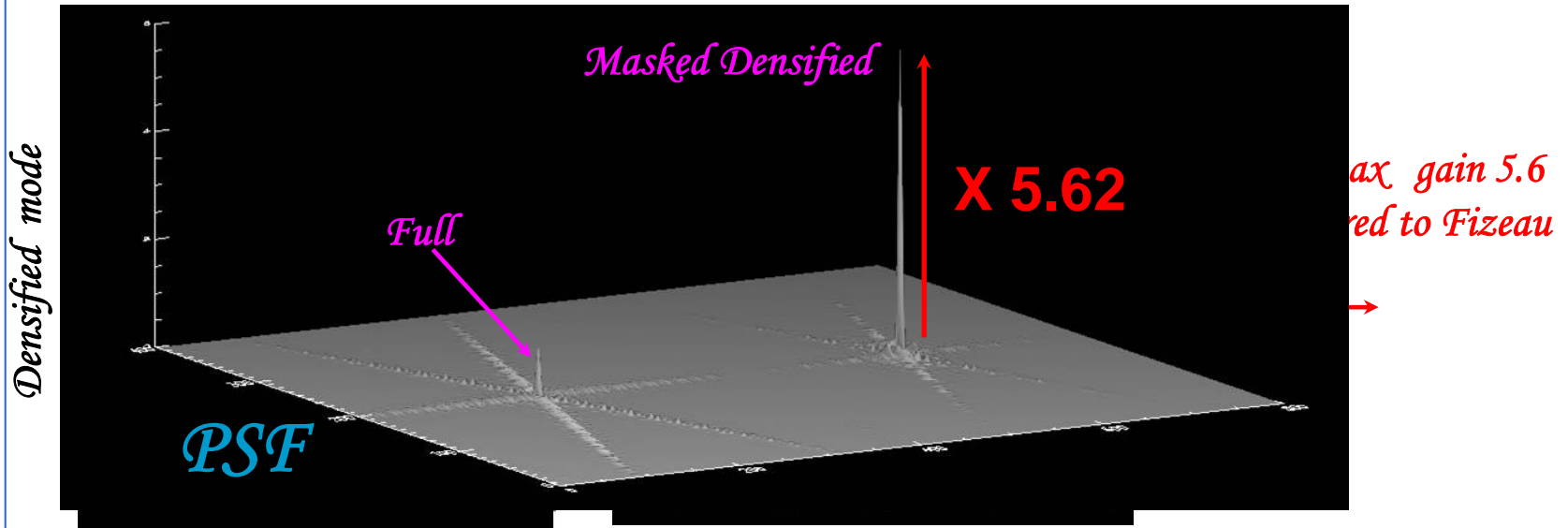


- *flat wave becomes stair-case shaped*
- *image is translated in envelope*

Local slope of stair-case wave due to 1 sub-aperture < average slope

4 Pupil Densification Strategies explored by simulations

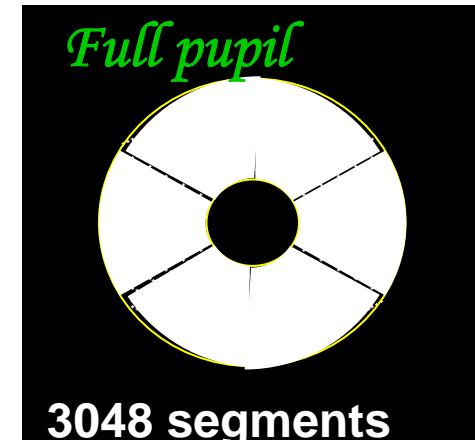
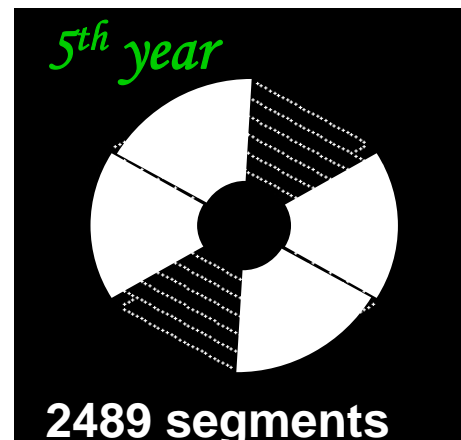
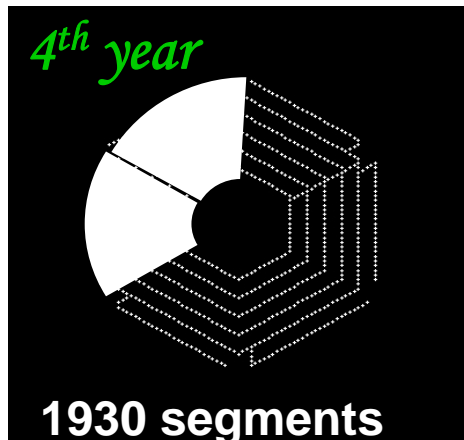
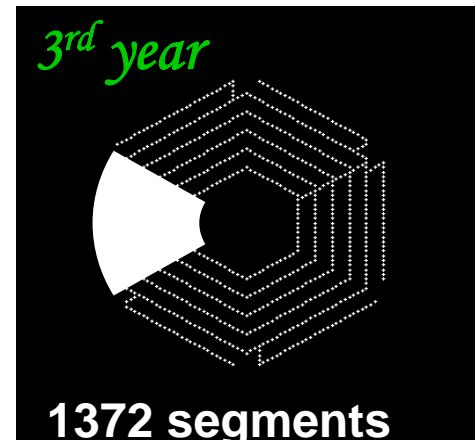
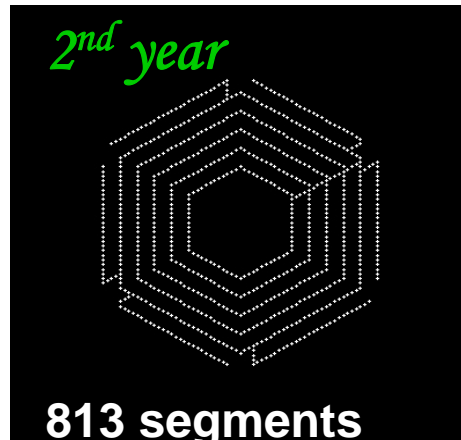
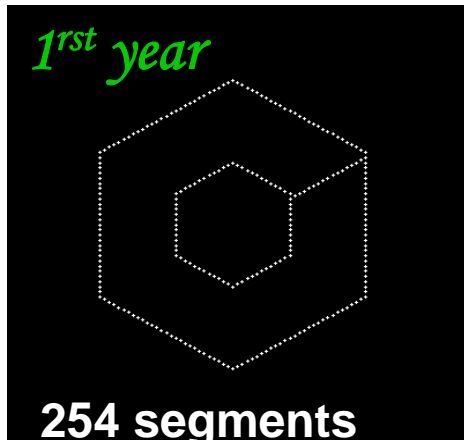
- Best result with concentric rings with connection masked



Speckle Interferometry observing mode would allow detection of
 Further explored in the study:
 hot Jupiters 10^{**4} times fainter than their parent stars without AO

- Use of Dispersed Speckles Principle to cophase segments during first years of integration
- Use of hypertelescope camera in combination with AO and Coronagraph

IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY: Coexistence of a diluted pupil (High-resolution) with compact pupil (high-dynamic)



N.Hubin, M.Kasper & C. Verinaud (ESO) + 43 scientists & engineers in 14 institutes



Science goals:

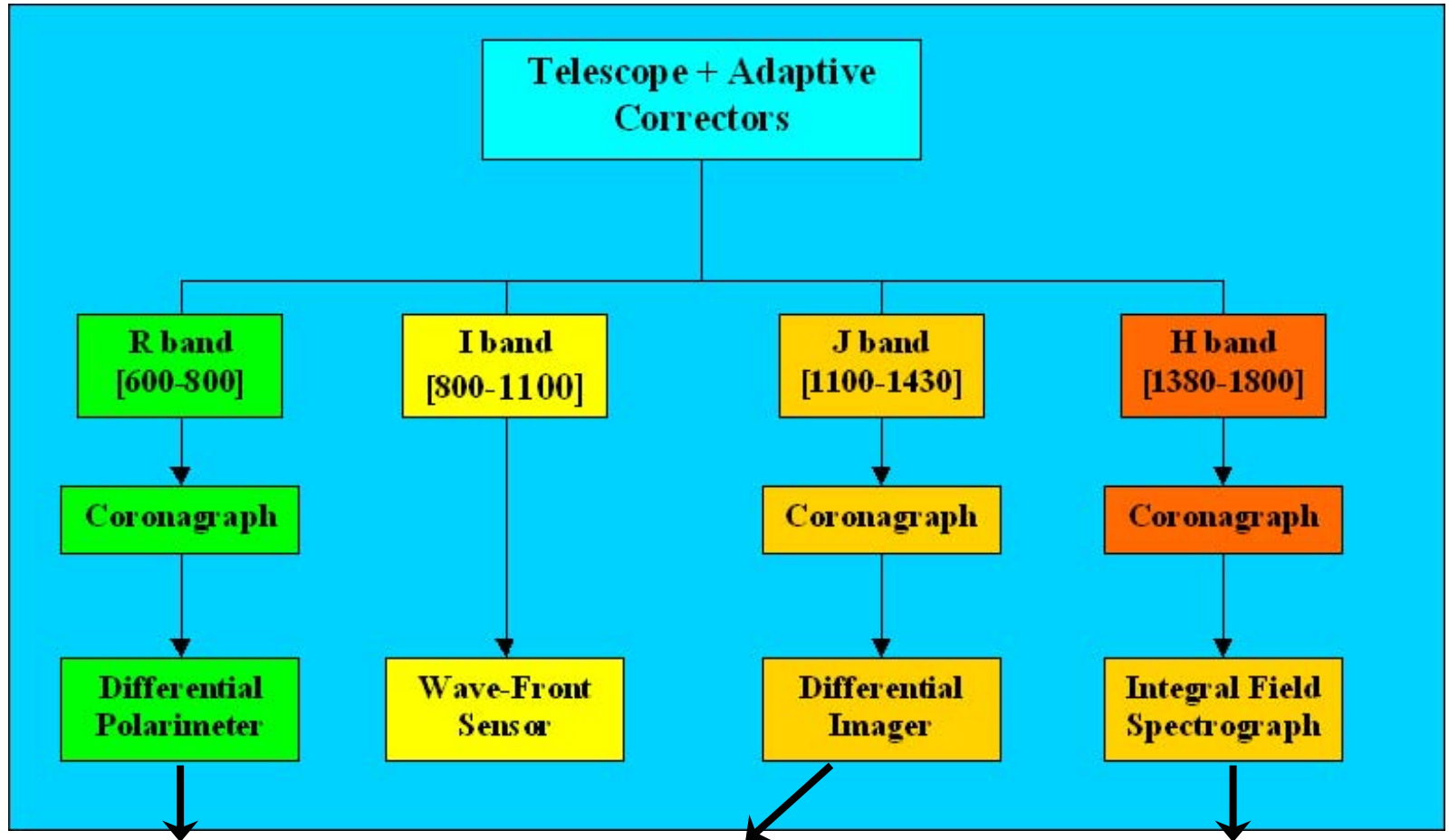
- Primary: Statistics on Rocky Planets in Habitable Zone (HZ)
Detection via H₂O, CO₂, O₂
- Secondary: Detection (via CH₄) and Characterization of evolved gaseous giant planets

Targets: significant sample of G, K and M stars, ~300 targets (100 for each spectral type)

Top-Level Requirements: Contrast & Angular separation

Star spectral type	Star – Planet Distance (AU)	Star-planet contrast in NIR and VIS	Angular separation (90 deg phase)
G2 at 25 pc $m_v=7.0$	1.00	2.21×10^{-10}	40 mas
K2 at 20 pc $m_v=8.0$	0.51	8.07×10^{-10}	25 mas
M2 at 15 pc $m_v=10.0$	0.16	8.30×10^{-9}	15 mas

EPICS : Differential Imaging based on VLT-PF concepts

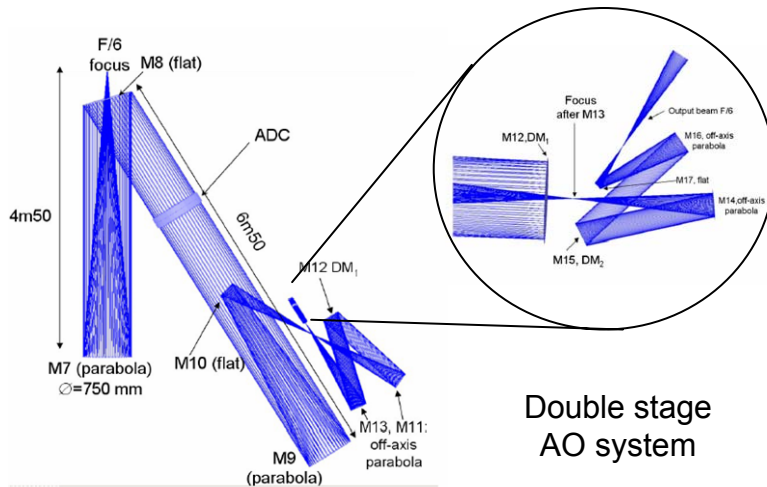


- Polarization detection
- O₂ detection (dedicated spectrum)

- 4 arcsec field
- 4 filters R=15
- Main markers: H₂O, CH₄

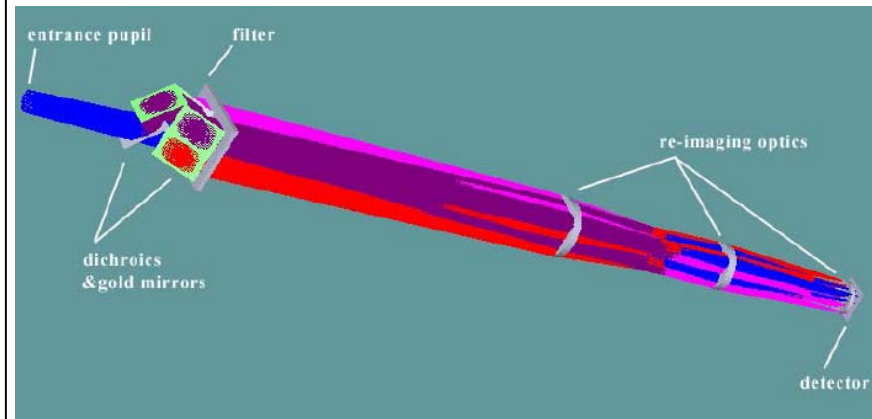
- 2 arcsec field
- R=15-30
- Main markers: CO₂, CH₄, H₂O

AO common path optics

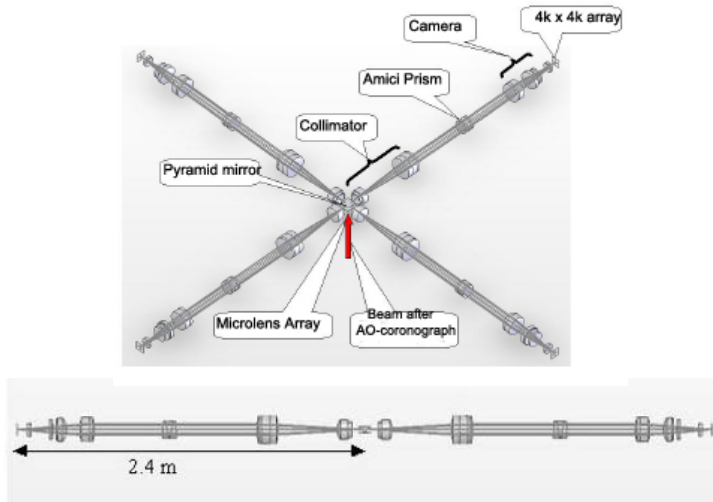


Double stage AO system

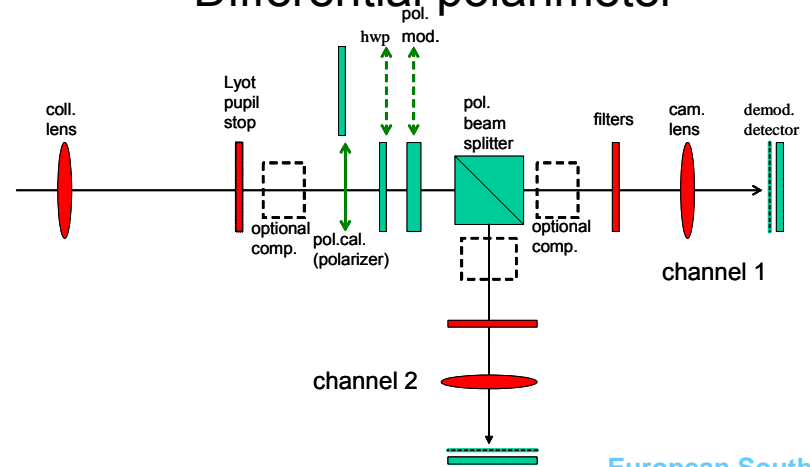
Differential imager



Integral field spectrograph



Differential polarimeter

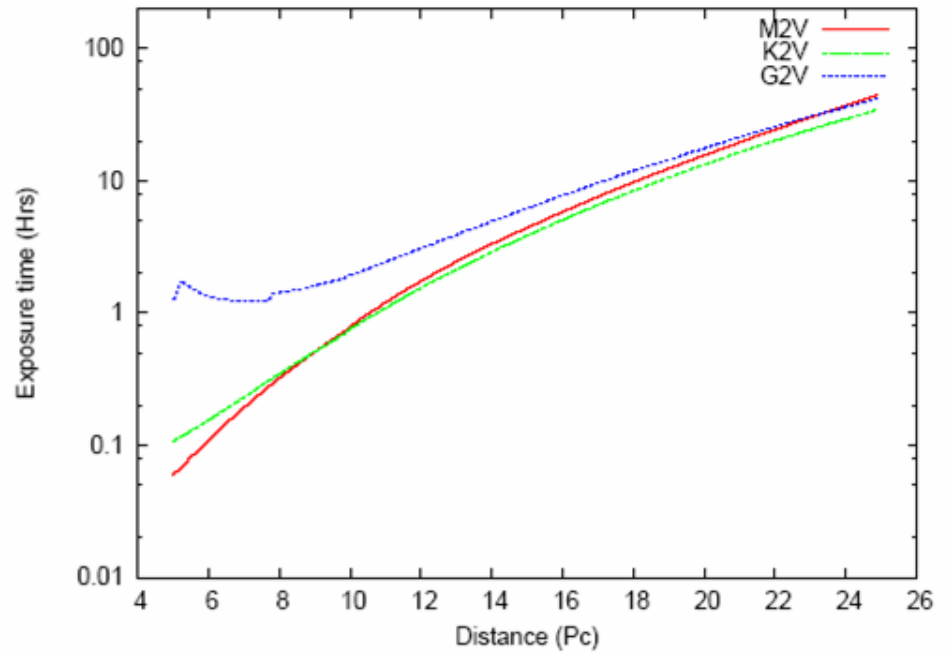


EPICS: Performance in dual imaging, detection at SNR=5

- Conditions: Good seeing: 0.5 arcsec ,16% instrumental transmission, altitude 4000-m (atm. transmission for H₂O and O₂)
- H₂O and CO₂ (if abundance > 10%) detected in a few hours at 10 pc and in 1-2 nights at 25 pc
- O₂ detection possible in follow-up in ~10-200 hours up to 15 pc
- Detection of Earth-like planets by polarization in ~3-50 hours up to 15 pc
- Jupiter-like planets up to 25 pc detected at high SNR (50 σ) in one night.

Time to detect an Earth-like planet in H₂O bands.
 $\lambda=1300$ nm

Time to detect O₂ in an Earthlike planet.
 $\lambda=760$ nm



CHALLENGES:

- **Single instrument to aim at diffraction-limit at visual wavelengths, although over a very small field**
- **Very challenging contrast values for Earth –like planets in habitable zone (up to 10^{-10})**
- **needs ad-hoc X-AO system (3rd generation !) to reach the required high Strehl**
- **Complex error budget which involved diverse subsystem of telescope and instrument. To be fully explored**

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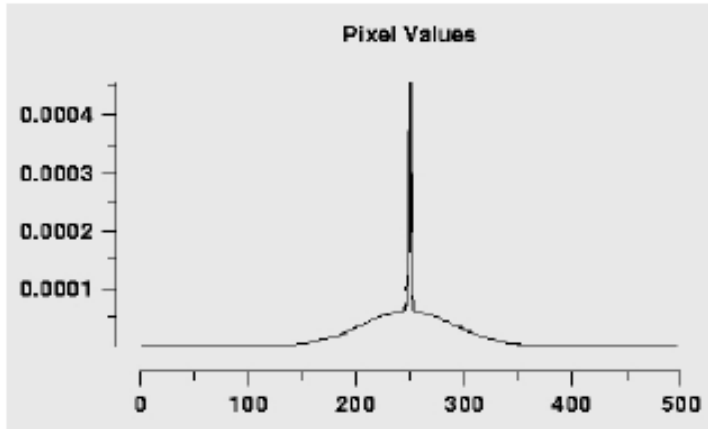
WORKHORSE NIR IMAGER FOR OWL

- COMPETITORS : 6.5m JWST, 30m class telescopes
- REQUIREMENTS: Diffraction-limited to fully realize OWL advantage in observations of stellar objects over space and smaller ground-based telescopes

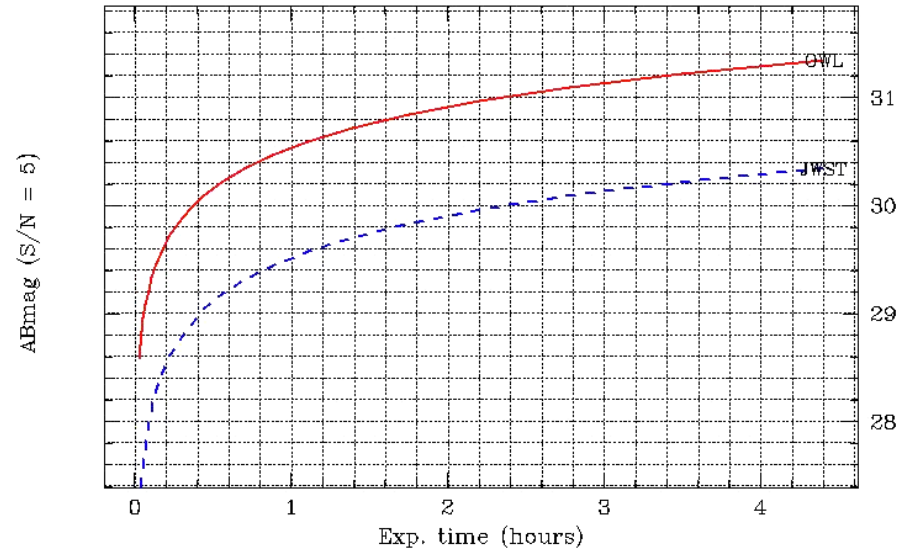
MCAO operating in a different regime than at 8-10m telescope:



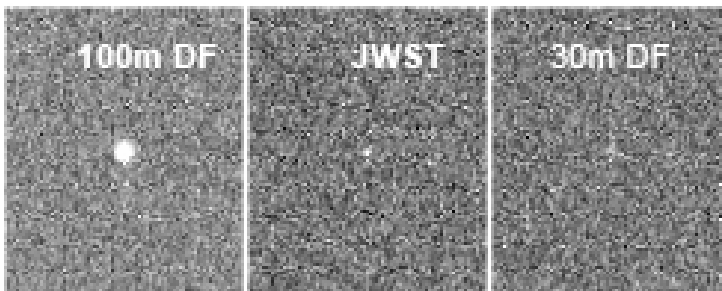
h_{lim}	D=8	D=30	D=60	D=100
FoV=2°	14km	51km	103km	171km
FoV=4°	7km	13km	26km	86km
FoV=6°	5km	17km	34km	57km



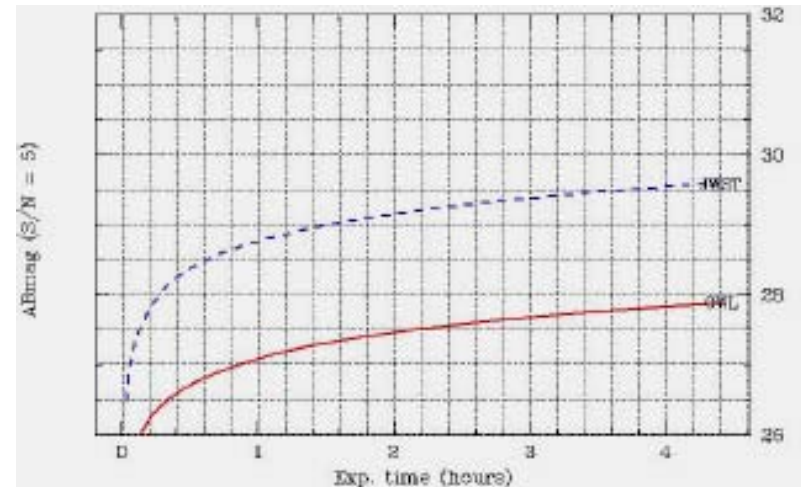
PSF in central field (K band)



ABOVE: Point sources, K-band, Ground (D=100m) vs. Space (D=6.5m); BELOW: Extended (scale length 0.1'')

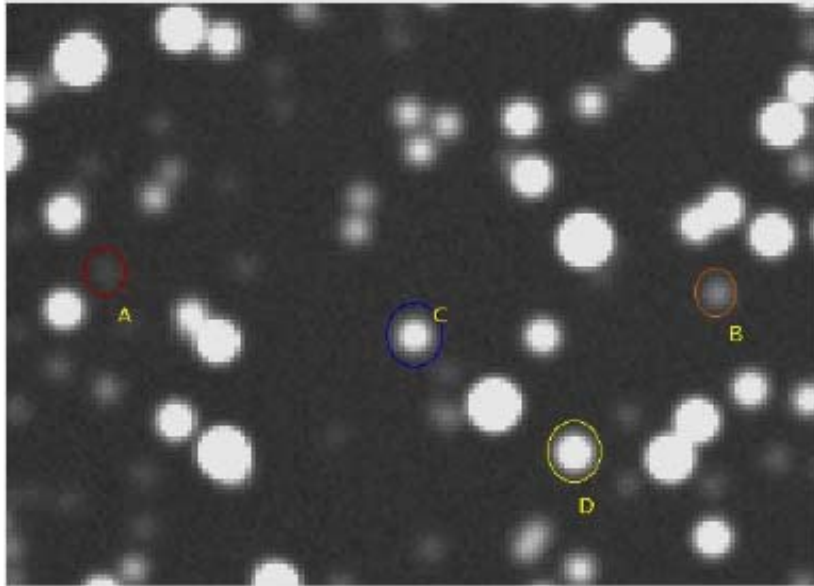


Simulated stellar source (K(AB)=29, 5h exposure)

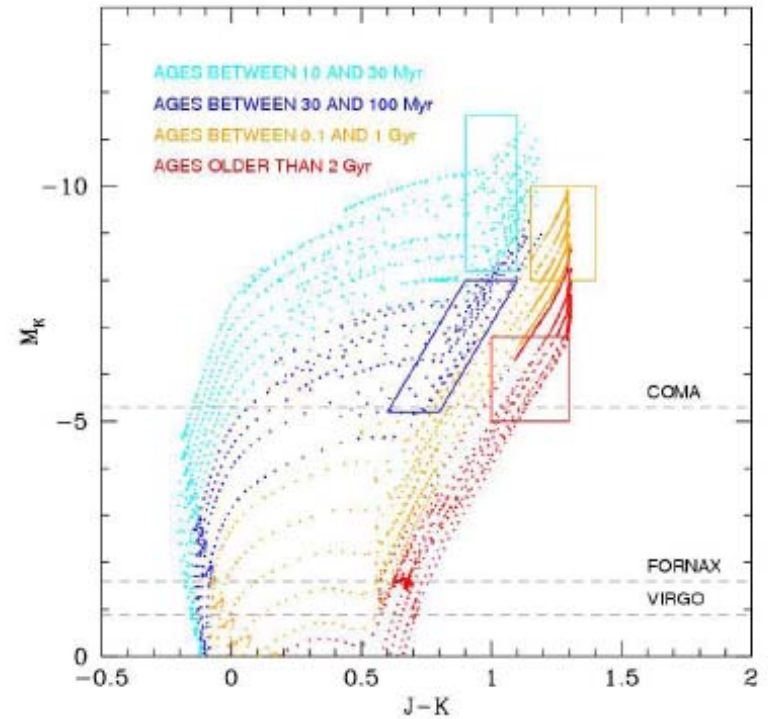


PRIMARY SCIENCE GOAL:

Study of CMDs in distant ellipticals. Counts in different regions of the diagram lead to the SF history of the galaxy.



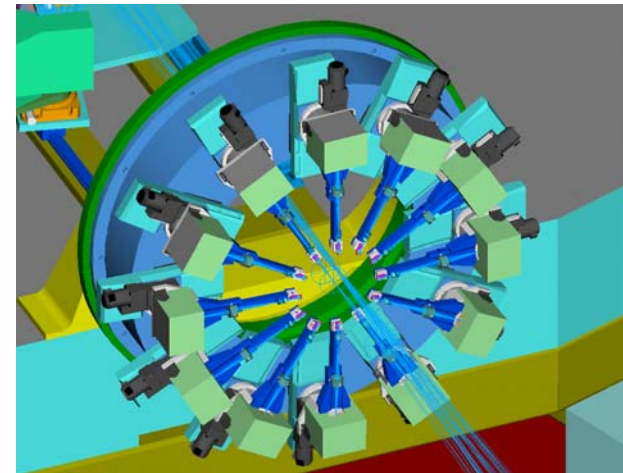
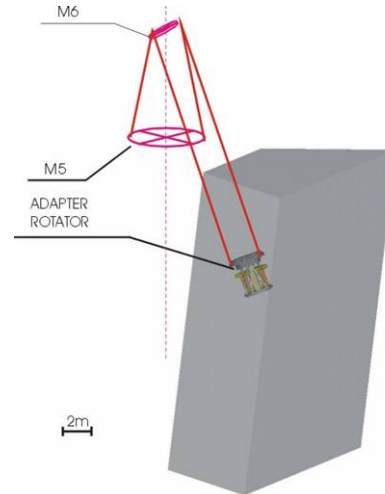
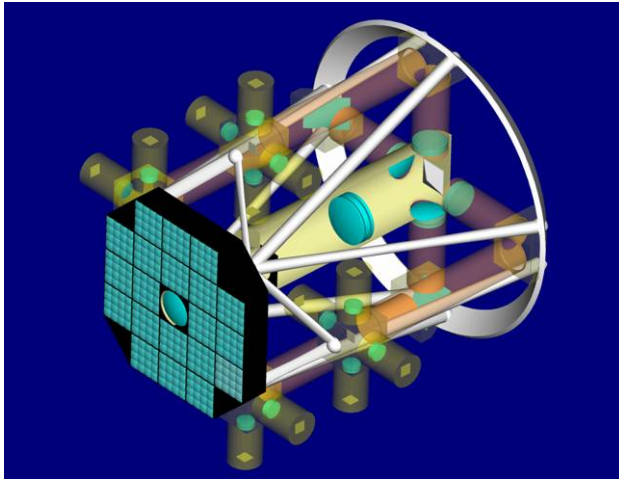
Limiting Magnitude Predictions supported by photometric measurements on simulated images in various conditions of crowding



Theoretical CMD. (Girardi et al 2002). ONIRICA limiting magnitudes of $K(AB)=30$ for different clusters are marked

The Instrument Concept: Full MCAO, superb seeing imager

- J,H,K bands
- Combination of a central field up to 1' diameter sampled close to diffraction limit, with Strehl 30% (MCAO)+ outer field, max 5' x 5', 20-50 mas sampling, "improved seeing" image quality (GLAO)
- Final choice to be dictated by AO performance limitations, science case, cost (large number of NIR arrays) and instrument complexity



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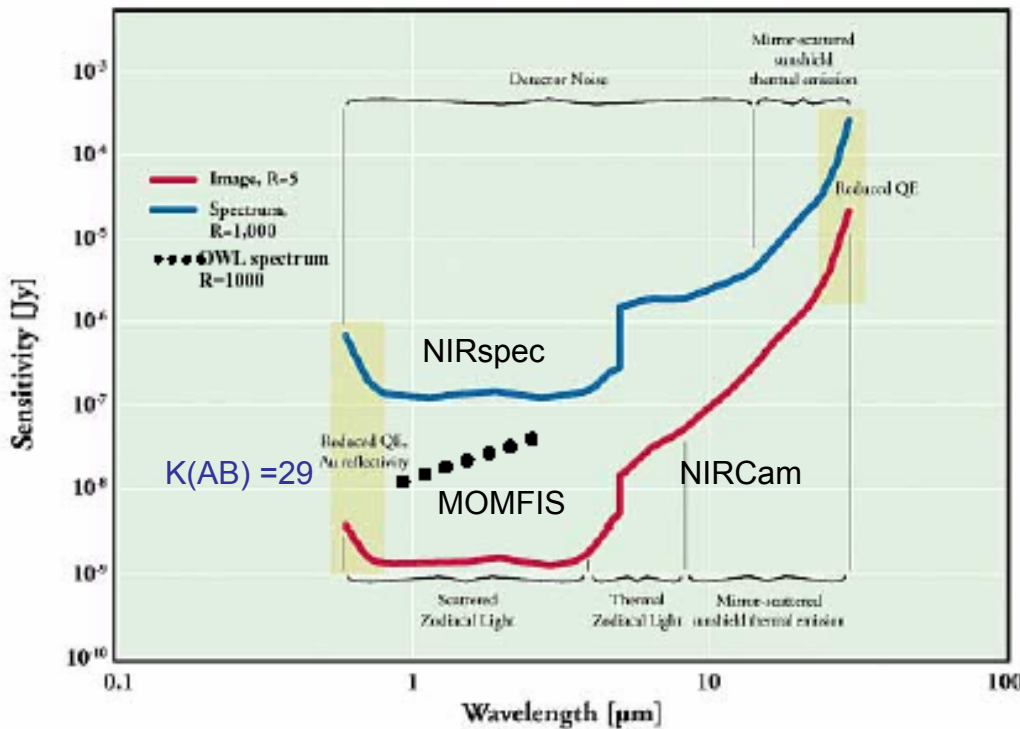


Main Science Goal : First Galaxies in the Universe

High z (7-10) galaxy surveys using NIR spectroscopy to study/constrain:

- luminosity function
- epoch of re-ionization
- galaxy size evolution
- metallicity of IGM
- star formation history at $z > 7$

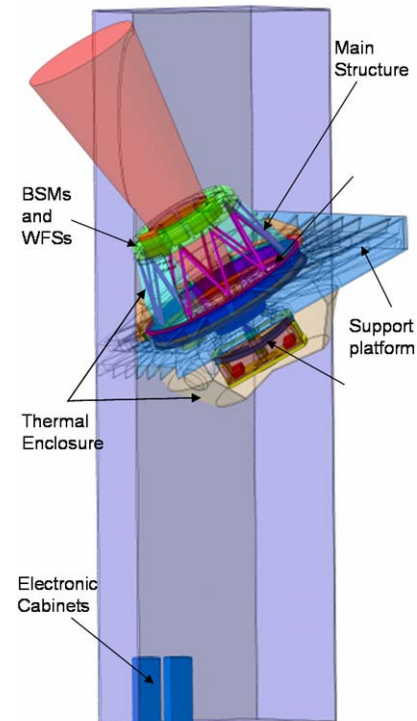
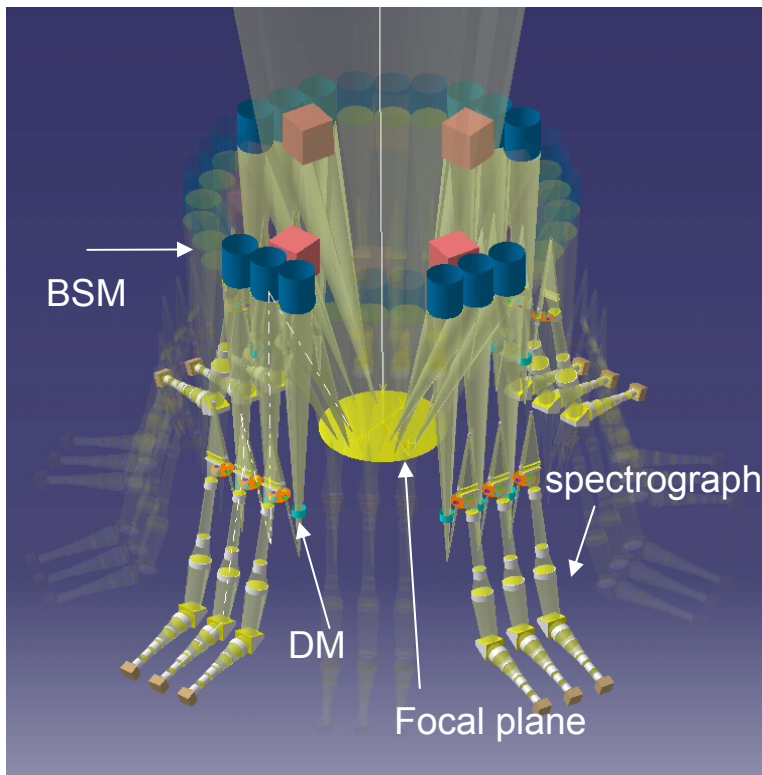
Targets from 30m, JWST, and OWL camera



JWST sensitivity for 100 ksec exposure, red curve: imaging, blue curve: spectroscopy at R=1000. Points: MOMFIS spectroscopy

The Instrument concept

- Multi-IFU (~30) system to pick up targets over a 3'x3' (5' x 5') scientific field
- Image quality: 30% ensquared energy within 50 (30) mas at K, sampling 15 mas/pix
- GLAO + instrument MOAO using mini DMs in the light path of each IFU
- Spectroscopy J or H or K in one shot at R~ 4000; Nr. pixels per IFU 30 x30



CHALLENGES

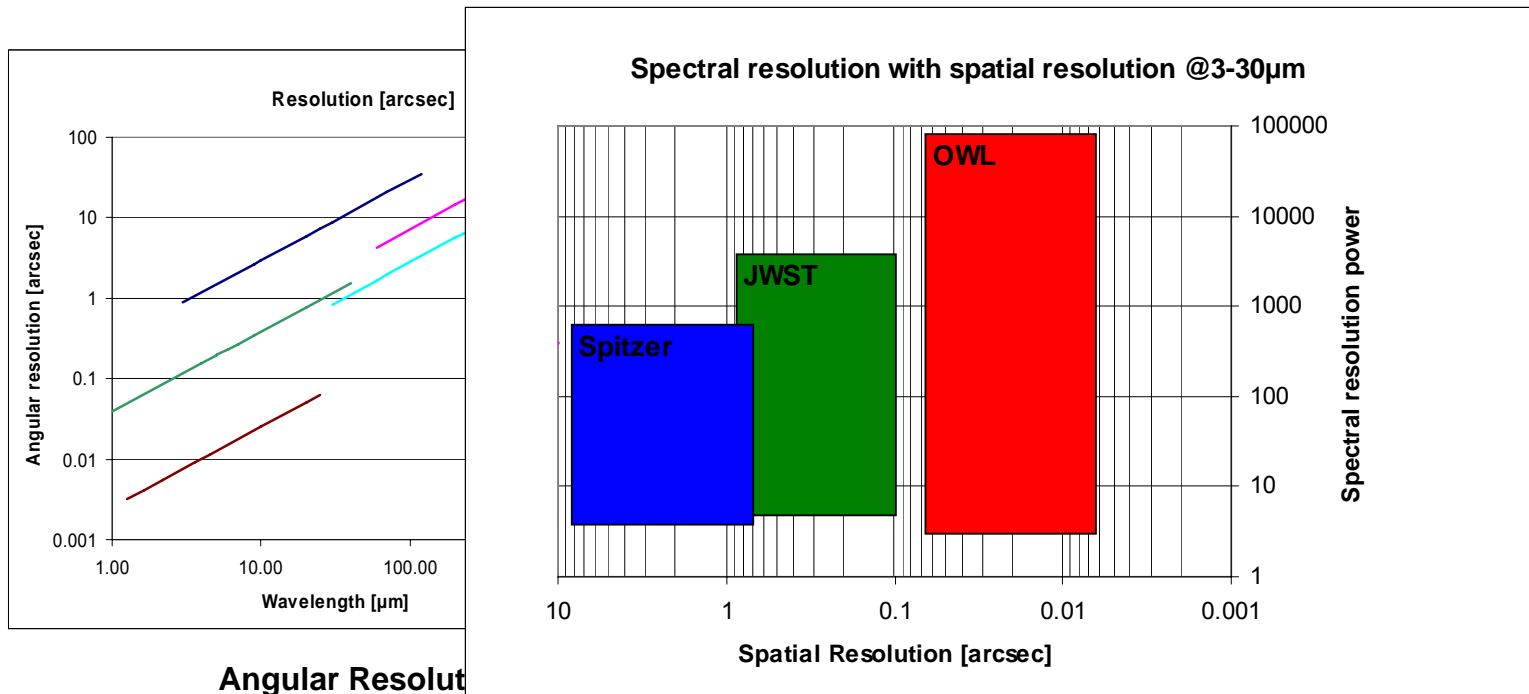
- Relies on a distributed MOAO system delivering a decent energy concentration within the IFU pixel (size 10-30 mas). To be demonstrated
- Density, brightness, size of high z galaxies to tune number, properties of IFUs
- Complex, large, massive instrument with a large number of moving devices requiring very high accuracy.

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WHY A THERMAL INFRARED (3- 20 μm) INSTRUMENT ON THE GROUND IN COMPETITION WITH JWST (MIRI+NIRCAM+NIRSPEC)?

- Image quality at unique OWL diffraction limit (10-50 milli-arcsec) with very modest AO requirements
- For stellar objects in imaging and high resolution spectroscopy superior to JWST and future space missions in atmospheric windows

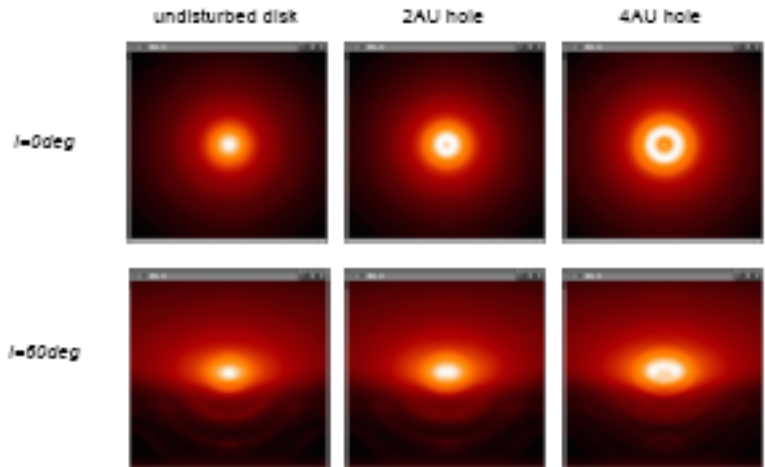


SCIENCE GOALS:

A variety of targets from solar system objects to high redshift AGN

Simulations of dusty circumstellar disks observed with OWL

Probing the masses of BH in dusty AGN



HH star at 140pc. Size of box 40 x40 AU

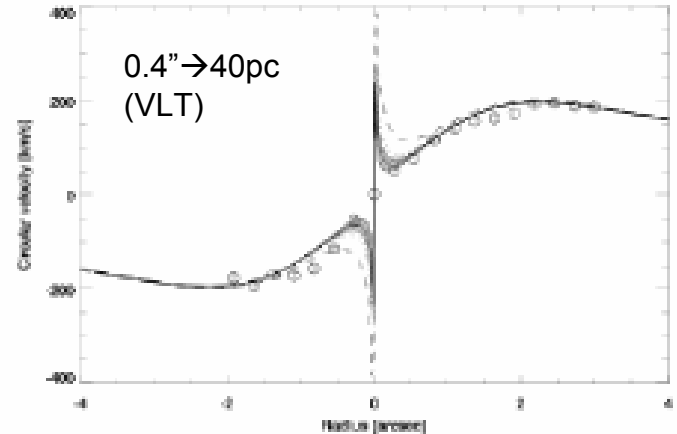
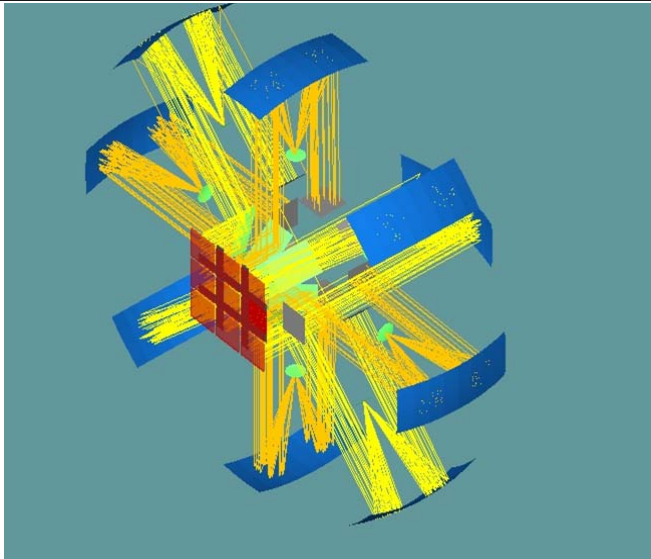


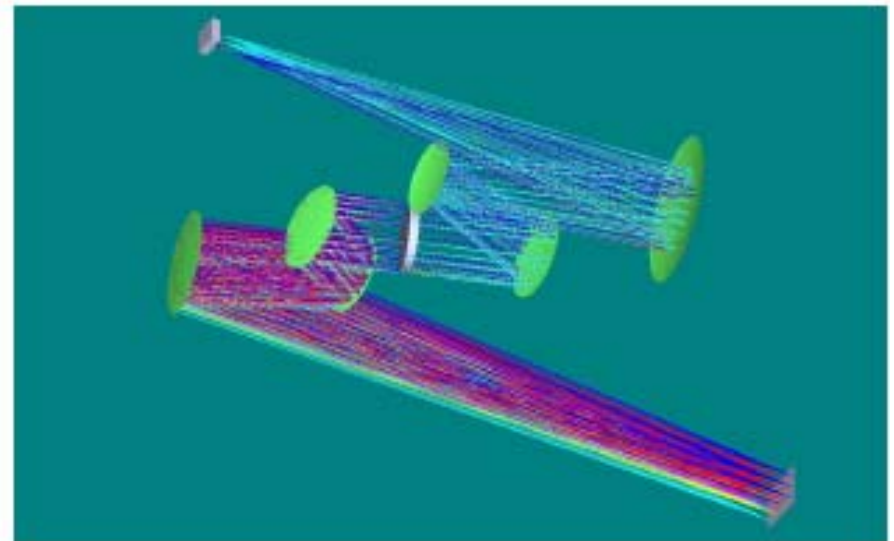
Fig. 29: [Ne II] velocity map of the starburst/Seyfert galaxy NGC 7582, taken with VLT/VISIR in HR mode (Wold et al. 2005).

INSTRUMENT CONCEPT:

Wavelength Range: 3- 27 μm (two paths splitted by dichroic)
Imaging Pixel Scale: 3.5 mas @ 3-5 μm ,
 7.0 mas @ 7-14 and 16-25 μm
Imager FOV \geq 15x15 arcsec
Detectors: 4 (2k x 2k) InSb (0.9 – 5.4 μm)
 4 (1k x1k) Si-As (2-28 μm)
Spectrograph: Modules at R=100000-2000 preliminarily investigated



Splitting of the field over 9 channels



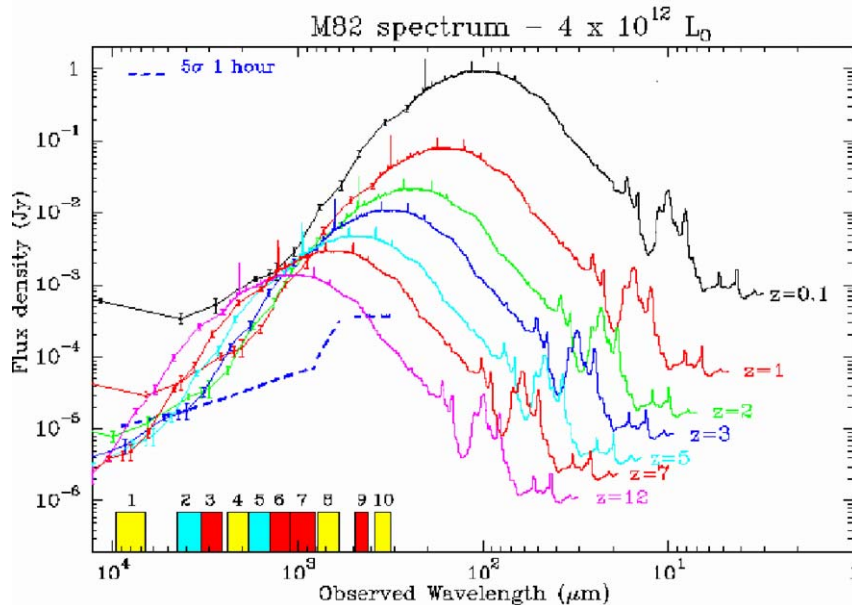
All reflective Imager channel +grism

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SUB-MM SCIENCE:

Formation processes (planets, stars, galaxies) are hidden in clouds with >100 magnitudes of optical extinction – **A survey instrument at OWL makes deep, large-scale mapping projects feasible**



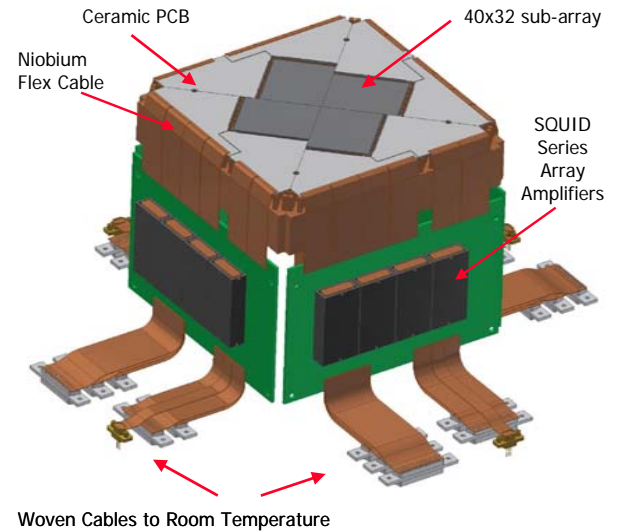
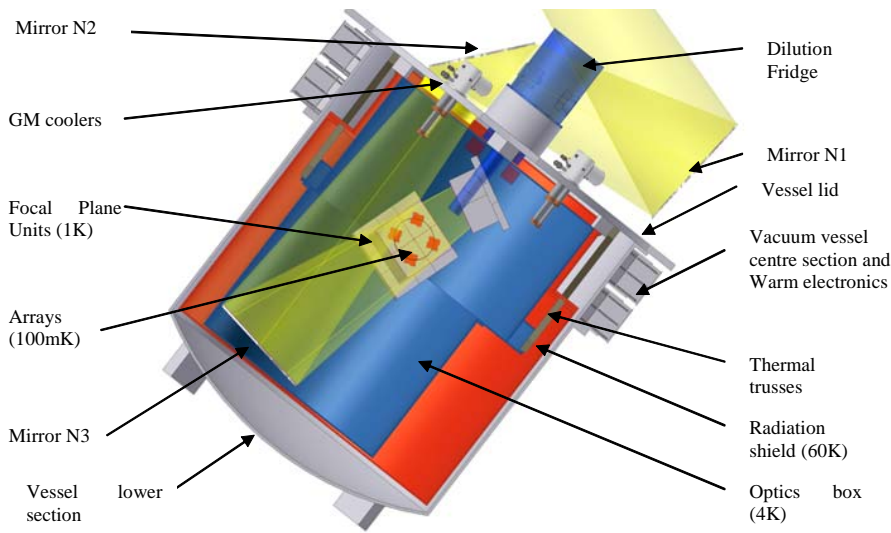
Probing the role of luminous , dusty star-forming galaxies in the field and in clusters, in the early universe

SCUBA-2 at the JCMT will detect mostly massive galaxies, SCOWL can survey large fields for galaxies down to a few L^* up to very high redshifts

(SCOWL will be able to detect the MW to $z \sim 5$)

Peak of SED (M82-type): $z=0.7 \rightarrow 170$ micron ; $z=1.5 \rightarrow 250$ micron ; $z=2.5 \rightarrow >350$ micron ; $z=4 \rightarrow 500$ micron

INSTRUMENT CONCEPT : Imager in three simultaneous submillimeter bands (350, 450, 850 μm) at resolution 1 arcsec (DL at 350 nm) over a field of $\sim 2'.5$ with a sensitivity of 0.1 mJy

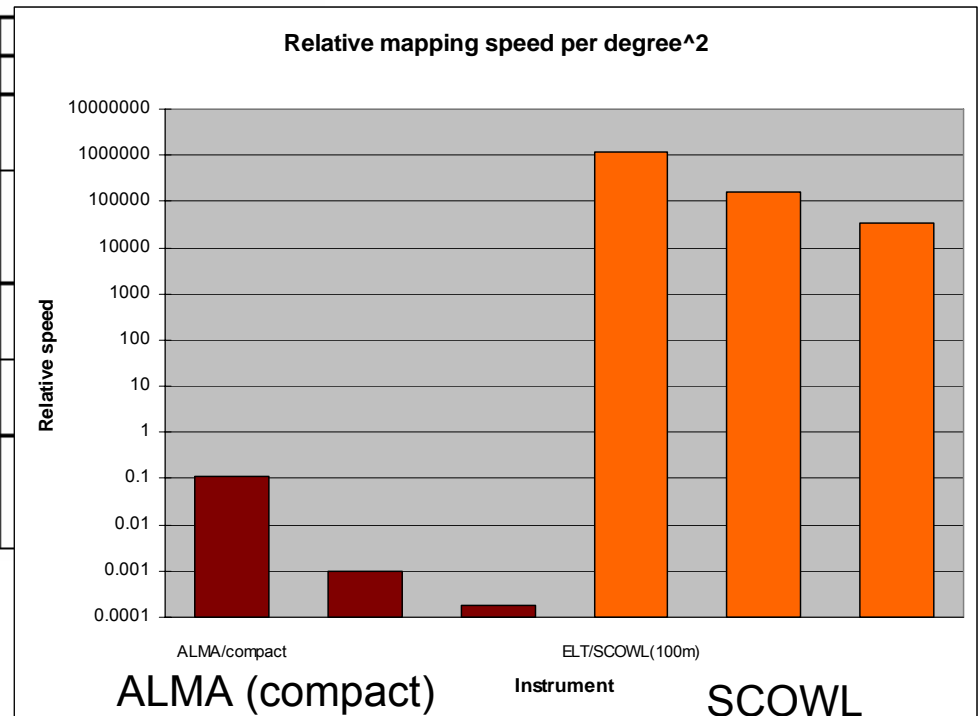


**TES detector array unit
(x4 per focal plane for
SCOWL)**

Complementarity to ALMA:

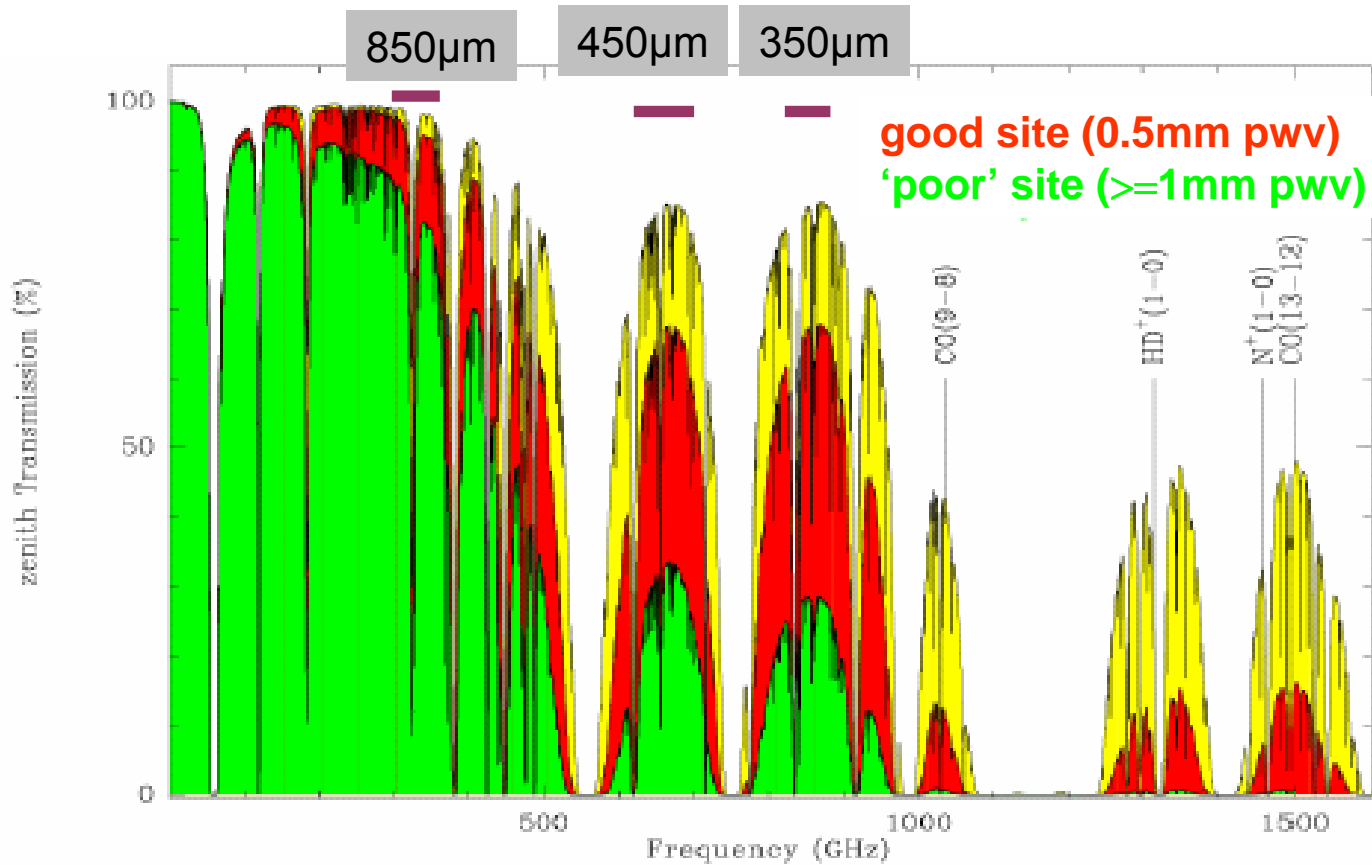
- Higher point-source sensitivity (factor 20-6); much higher large scale mapping speed.
- Much lower resolution and higher confusion limit

	SCOWL (100m)	
	850 μ m	450 μ m
Flux sensitivity (mJy/ \sqrt sec)	0.3	0.6
Dust mass sensitivity (cf SCUBA-2)	70	170
Resolution (arcsec)	2.1	1.1
Confusion limit (mJy)	0.01	0.005
Mapping speed (time per square degree to 0.01mJy)	2 days	10 days



SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

- High altitude, dry site
- Submm seeing dominated by water vapour variations . Tip-Tilt correction driven by water-vapour meter



OVERVIEW OF THE RESULTS (1):

Instrument Feasibility and Performance

- ❖ **The studies show that a wide spectrum of OWL instruments can be build and matched to the telescope**
- ❖ **A number of interface problems identified**
- ❖ **The instruments are mainly based on extension of proved technology. R & D, prototyping required for a few specific subsystems only**
- ❖ **Most critical advances required in the area of associated AO.**
- ❖ **Cost of a major instrument appears in the range of 20-30 MEUR + 100-200 FTEs. ~10% of project budget required for the hardware of four instruments**

OVERVIEW OF THE RESULTS (2):

Feedback to the telescope design

- ❖ **SCIENCE** : Studies confirm that an “overwhelming large” D enables unique science thanks to its huge photon collecting power and exquisite diffraction limit
- ❖ **FOCAL RATIO**: F/6 focal ratio coupled with no focal distance makes cryogenic instruments difficult to build without relay optics
- ❖ **FOCAL STATIONS**:
 - External focus required for space-hungry instruments and/or with extreme stability requirements.
 - Gravity-variant instrument rooms not a bonus for integration, maintenance and operation of largest instruments

OVERVIEW OF THE RESULTS (2):

Feedback to the telescope design (continued)

- ❖ **DIFFRACTION LIMITED FIELD:** based on the present set of instruments, in the NIR and TIR max field $90'' \times 90''$
- ❖ **ADAPTER-ROTATOR** Critical co-existence of wavefront sensors for active and adaptive optics and instrument at the adaptor strongly-curved focal plane
- ❖ **MIRROR COATING:** Desirability of an efficient coating on the mirror train to keep efficiency high and minimize IR emissivity

OVERVIEW OF THE RESULTS (3):

Successful “Call to Arms for an European ELT”

- ❖ **More than 150 scientist and engineers in over 20 Institutes in 7 ESO member states have contributed to the studies**
- ❖ **Significant increase of the awareness of scientists in Europe to the extraordinary capability of an ELT**
- ❖ **A significant fraction of the design parameter space of the OWL Instrumentation (or of any 50-100 m ELT) now explored**

FUTURE WORK

- ❖ **Instrument Concepts further explored within EU FP6 ELT Design in 2006-7 (7 “Small” Studies launched in Sept 2005, 3 Point Design Studies in 2006)**
- ❖ **Pursue development of a selection of the most critical components & subsystems identified in this phase**
- ❖ **Use feedback from OWL instrument studies in future steps of telescope design**