

### AO assisted NIR Spectroscopy [integral-field and long-slit]





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# The context: high-contrast spectroscopy (imaging) of exoplanets

Direct technique: planet's photons → Targets: Giant Planets on wide orbits around young, nearby stars



#### **Orbital & Physical properties:**

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- Multiple: Architecture & Stability
- Planet disc connection

(Chauvin et al. 2005, 2010, 2017; Lafrenière et al. 2007; Soummer et al. 2011; Vigan et al. 2012)

<u>High-contrast spectroscopy:</u>

(Low) gravity, composition, non-LTE chemistry, cloud coverage...

(Janson et al. 2010; Bonnefoy et al. 2009, 2012, 2018 ; Bonavita+ 2017)

### SPHERE IFS



HIP 65426 (Chauvin+ 2017)



HD 163296 (Mesa+ 2019, in press)



From the spectral datacube To extraction and determination of the atmospheric properties





HD 169142 (Gratton+ 2019)

### The long-slit coronagraphic spectroscopy

The main issue in high-contrast imaging is given by the speckle noise  $\theta_{\text{speckle}} = \lambda/D$ .

The planet (unresolved point source) image has FWHM that is approximately equal to the

 The problem
 Inc planet (a)

 diffraction limit.
 Distinguishing a faint planet PSF from a speckle is therefore impossible with a single image, and without using a temporal sequence or other spectral information.

The position and size of a speckle is wavelength-dependent: as the wavelength increases from  $\lambda_1$  to  $\lambda_2$ , the FWHM of a single speckle and its angular separation from the star increase by a factor  $\lambda_2/\lambda_1$ . However, a fixed physical object (e.g., a planetary companion) will not change its position with wavelength: only its FWHM will be multiplied by that factor  $\lambda_2/\lambda_1$ .

### Speckle removal and planet spectrum (for free!)



#### Vigan+ (2008)

## Why ? Spectroscopic characterisation of (known) planets/BDs

The implementation of a long-slit coronagraphic mode furnishes spectral classification if  $R \gtrsim 30$  and molecular band + atomic feature identification if  $R \gtrsim 100$ 

High-quality (SNR) spectra are FUNDAMENTAL as to determine physical properties:

(1) Gravity (age)

(2) Clouds

(3) Chemical composition (with higher resolution)

Limited number of sub-stellar objects with accurate spectra because of:

- very few planets observed with high-contrast imaging
- high-contrast (at least 10<sup>-3</sup> 10<sup>-4</sup>)
- o small angular separation (currently limitations to 200 mas)

NIR photometry suffers degeneracy!

## References & Work in progress

Vigan+ 2016 Bonavita, D'Orazi, Mesa+ 2017



D'Orazi, Mesa, Vigan+ 2019, in prep. (DRS by D. Mesa)

### The SHARKs@LBT



Exoplanets detection (GPs on wide orbits) Discs/jets around young stars AGN/QSOs SS bodies (Main belt + trans-neptunians objects)



SINERGY IS VITAL: TRINOCULAR OBSERVATIONS

Coro performances similar to SPHERE (hopefully we gain in magnitude limit with SOUL!) But MULTI-WAVELENGHT observations will be a unique feature !

### Looking forward.. MAORY+MICADO

Because of their location sufficiently far away from the host stars (e.g., the Eta Tel system (Lowrance+ 2000), whereby the companion is at ~ 4 arcsecond separation, d=48 pc, Beta Pic moving group [age ~ 20 Myr])

several of these sub-stellar companions can be studied with no need of \*\*coronagraphs\*\* HR 7329 A and B **VLT-UT1-ISAAC**  $\Delta mag = 5.6$ (primary H=5.5)flux 0.4 Guenther+ (2001) M8 **ISAAC H** band (**R**~ 500) 0.2 4 arc sec  $\rightarrow$  Only Sp. Type from the continuum shape 1.75 1.65 wavelength (micro-meter

### We want to know:

- 1. Chemical composition
- 2. Surface gravity (age)
- 3. Clouds

the long-slit spectroscopy R~18 000 for point sources in IzJ band (and HK), will allow us not only to identify broad molecular bands (e.g., CH<sub>4</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O), but also to resolve atomic features, which are critical diagnostics as to atmospheric characterisation (not possible for e.g., JWST due to lower resolution) SNR=30 in 1 hour of integration for objects with H=21 and SNR=10 for H=23 objects, implying that in very young systems (1-5 Myr) objects less massive than Jupiter will be investigated.

The Orion complex (d=400 pc, age 1 - 10 Myr): ONC, OBIa,b. H=12-13 (suitable for SCAO)



(from Alves & Bouy 2012)

W40 (d=500 pc, 0.8 - 1.5 Myr)



RCW36 (d=700pc, age=1 Myr)



Moving to older ages: Beta Pic moving group, Tucana, IC 2391 supercluster, .. (d< 200 pc and age 20 - 50 Myr)

The sample is (and will be) provided by complimentary facilities, e.g., with SPHERE@VLT or GPI@Gemini in the South and SHARKs in the Northern emisphere

### Hot points

This is SPECTROSCOPY, folks!

Is this Laboratorio aimed at dealing ONLY with big MOS spectroscopic surveys ? Then "Laboratorio Survey Spettroscopiche MOS"

How our research field is "seen" by the Laboratorio Nazionale (interaction ?)

The expertise in the Italian community is quite restricted (despite nextcoming Italian facility such as e.g., SHARK-NIR)

Tools for data reduction and analysis are very specific and no public software is basically available