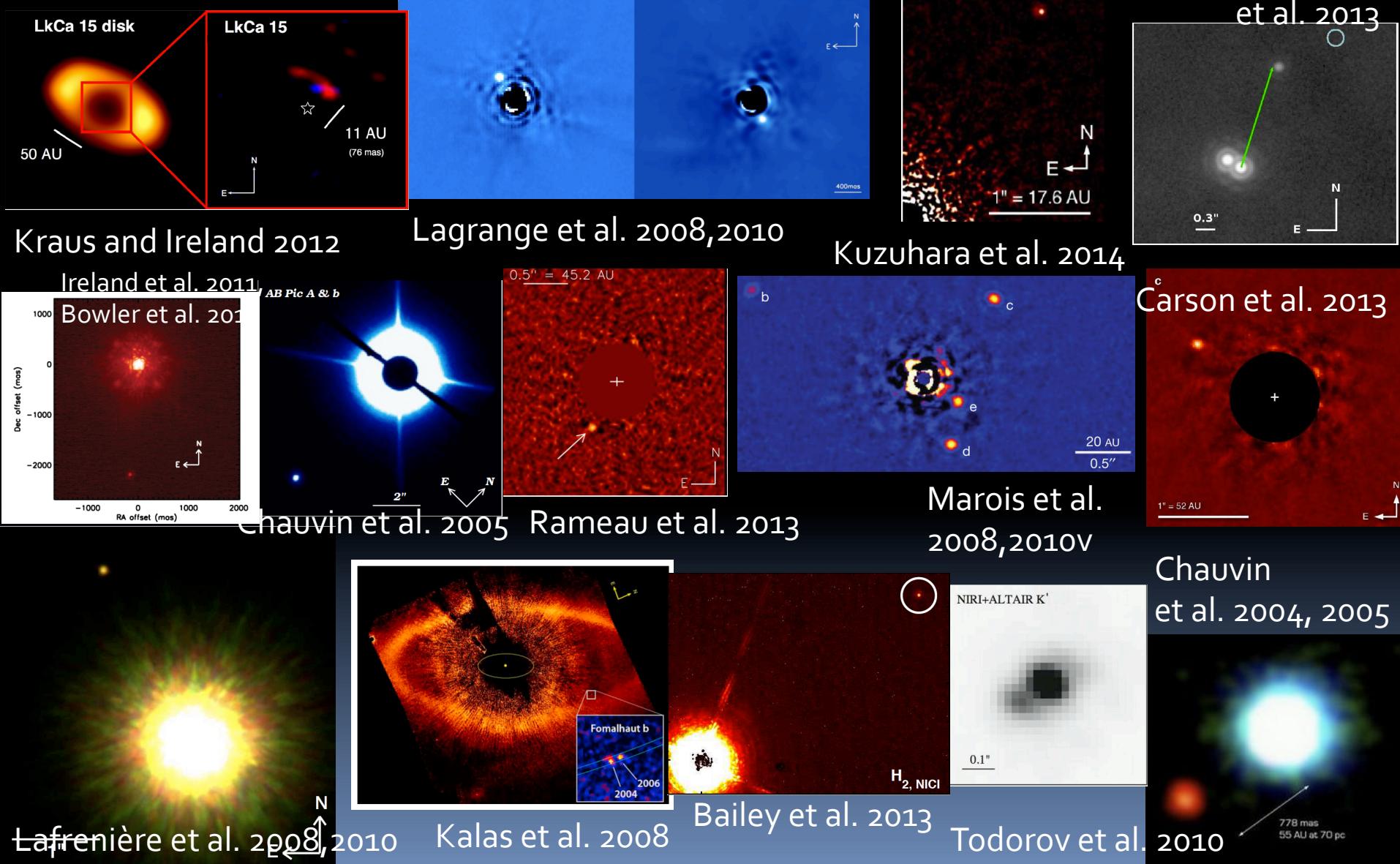


SURVEY OF SURVEYS AROUND YOUNG STARS

Beth Biller, University of Edinburgh

Directly Imaged Planetary (or Nearly Planetary) Companions



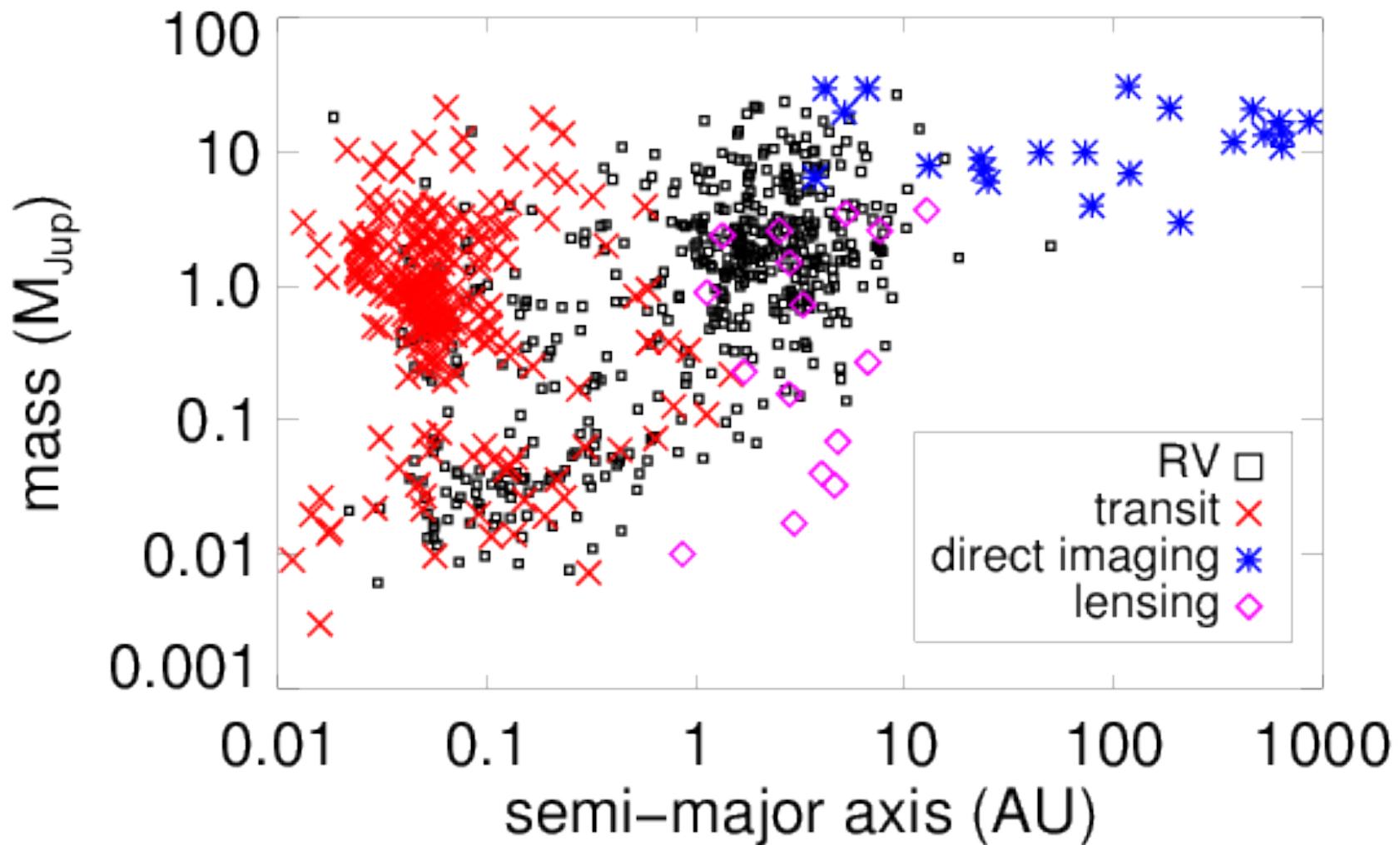
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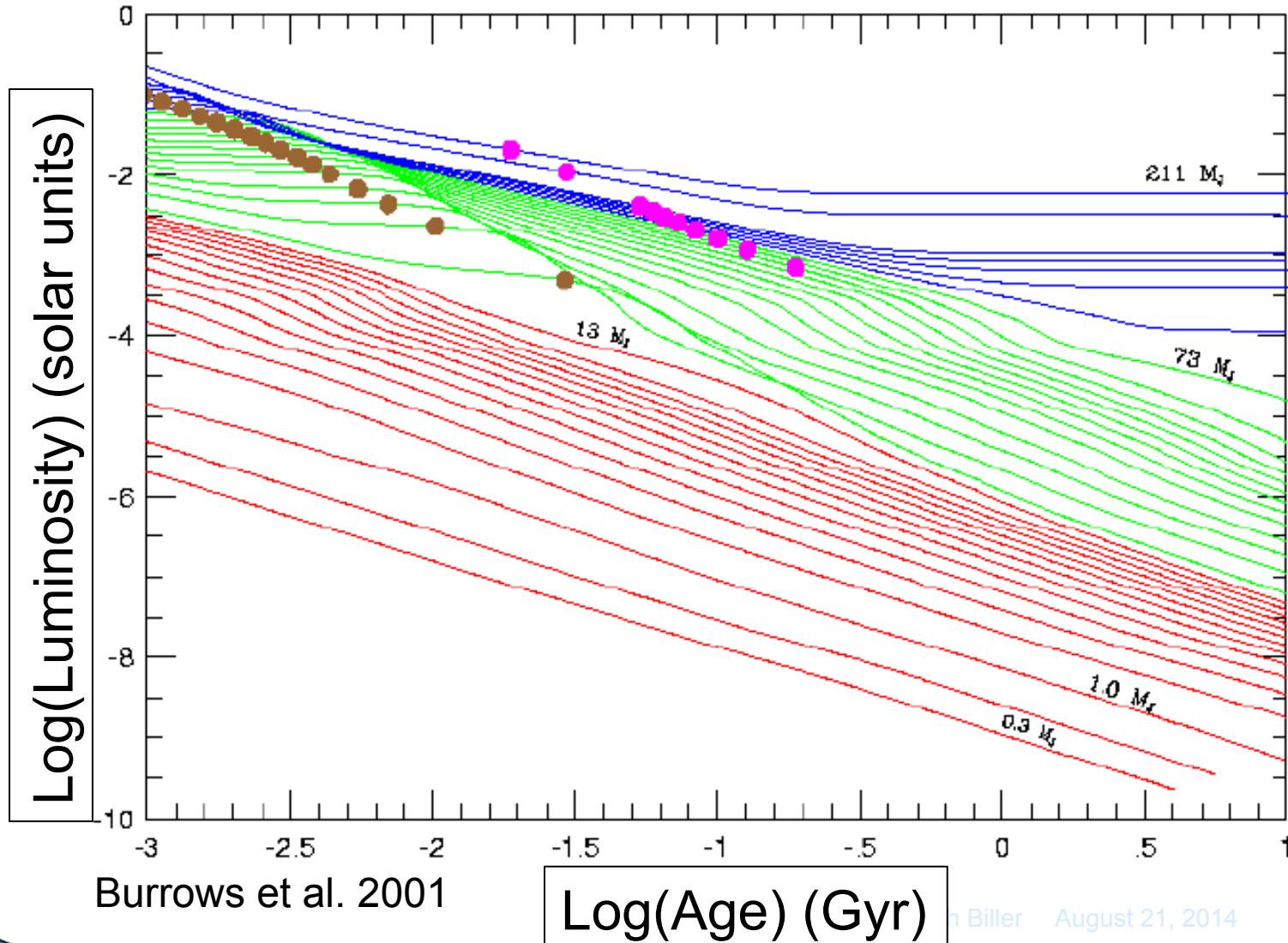
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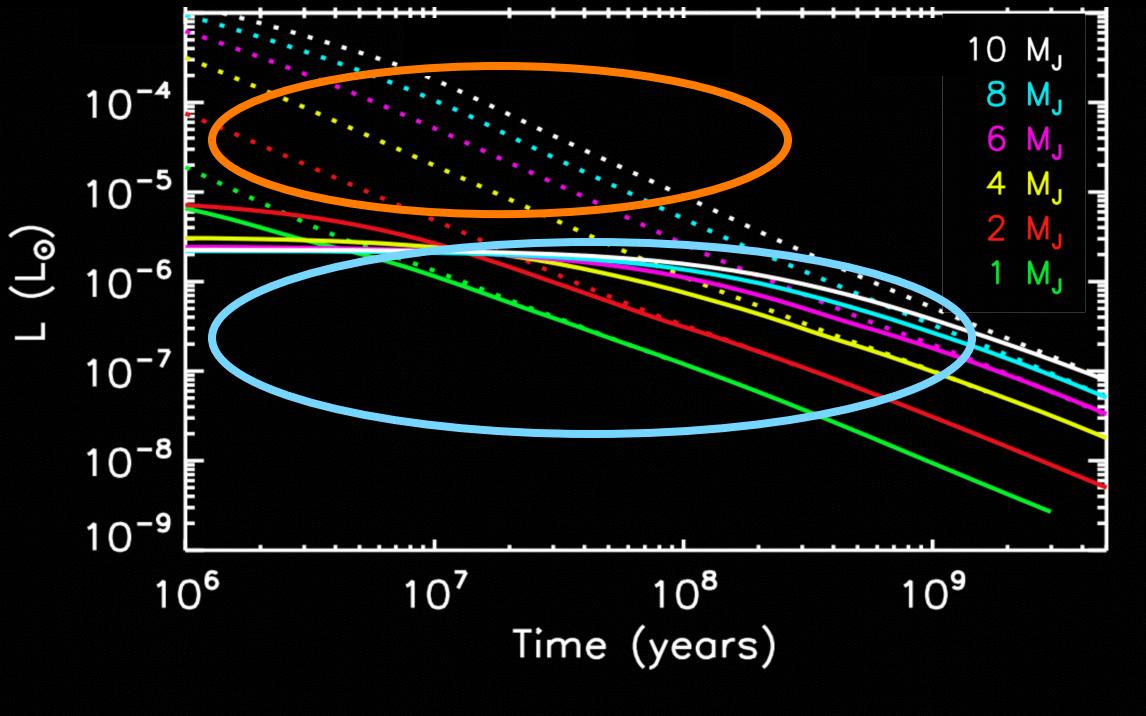
Data from exoplanet.eu

How do we open up the parameter space for exoplanet imaging?

Step 1) Focus on Young Stars



Planet Properties can depend on initial conditions



hot-start models

cold-start models

Marley et al (2006), Fortney et al (2008)

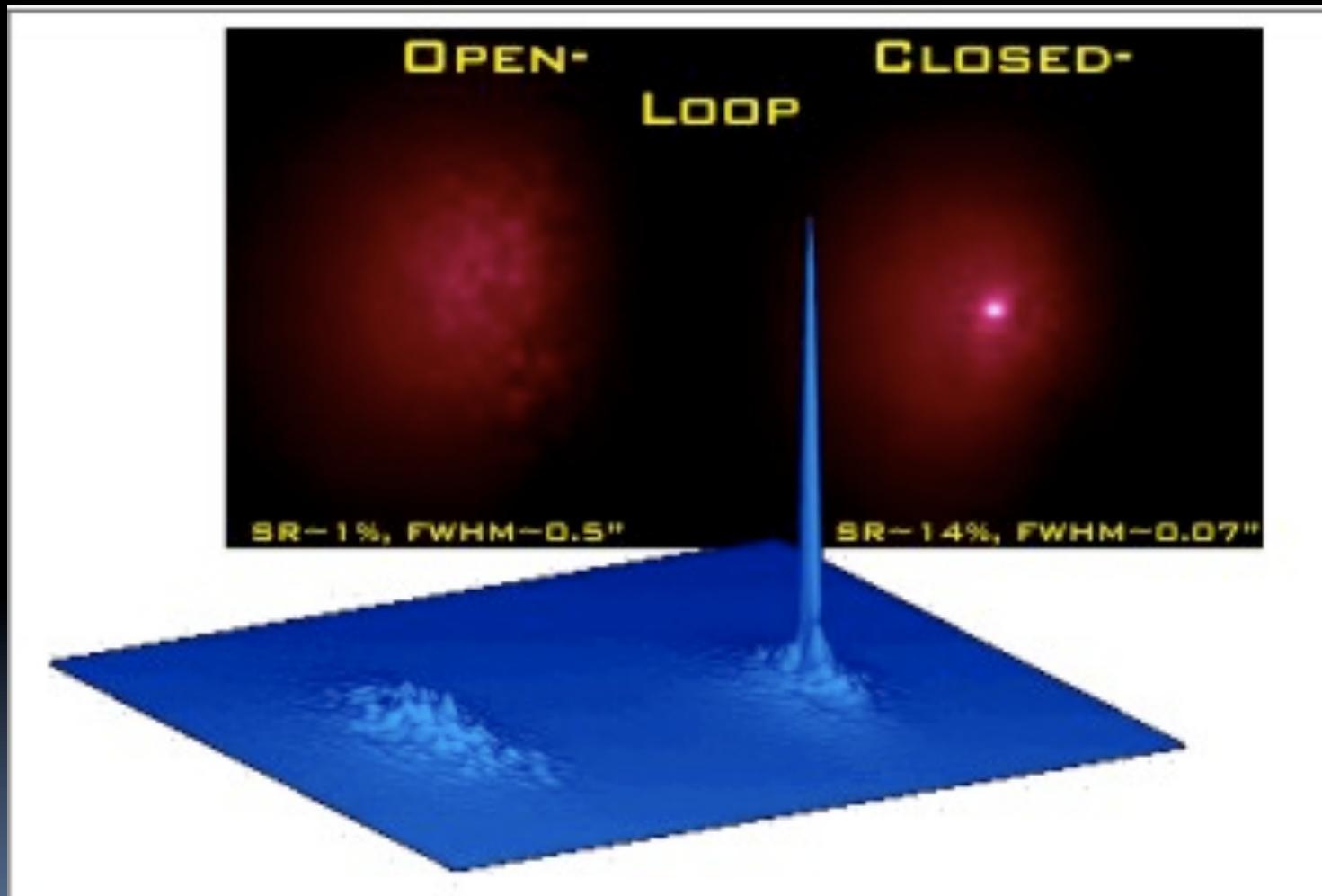
Step 2: Overcoming Technical Hurdles

Difficulties with Direct Detection (1)

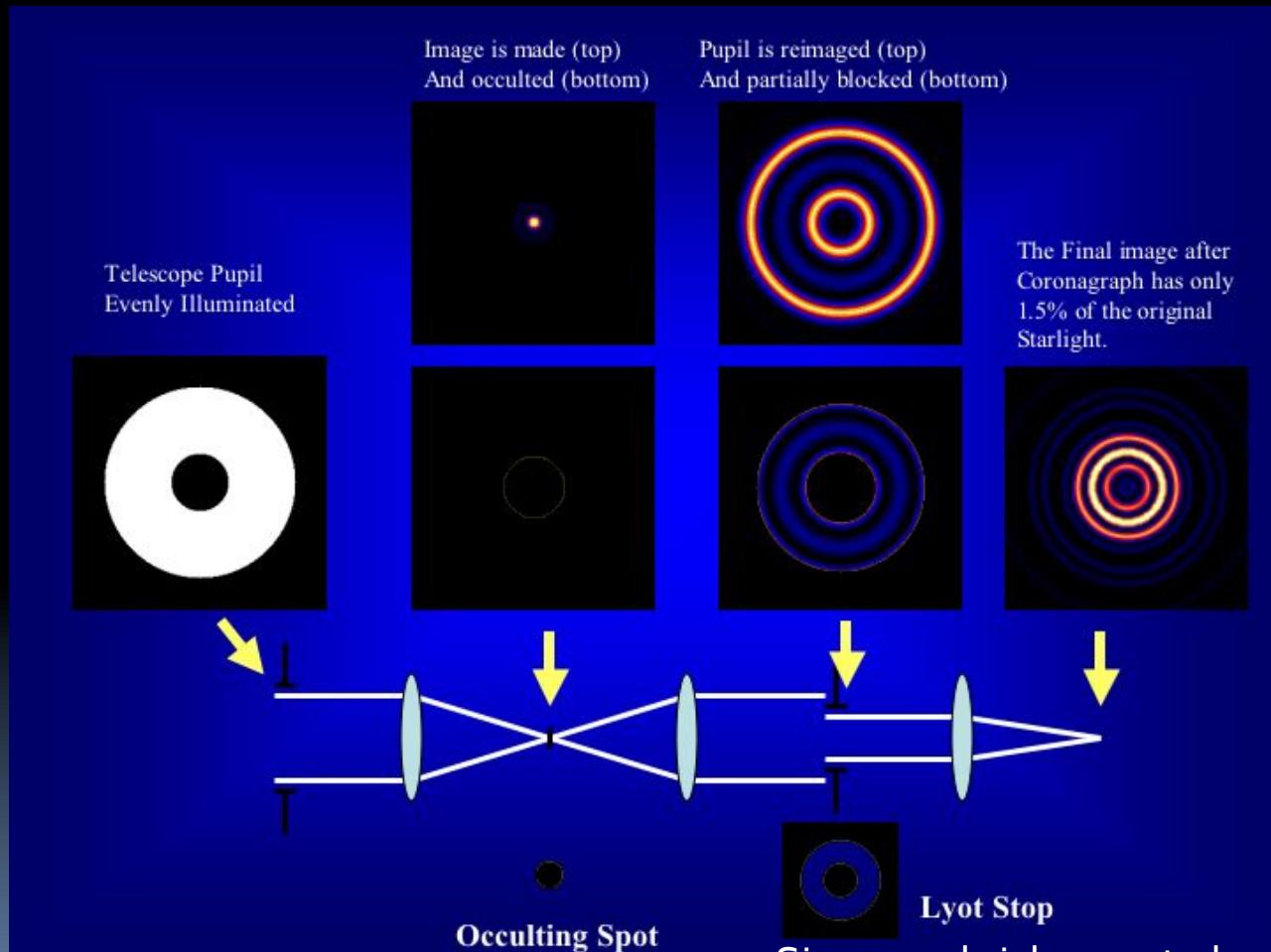
Huge contrast ratio between planet and star

- >2 Gyr gas giant planets $>10^8$ fainter than primary.
- Young planets $\sim 10^{4-7}$ times fainter than primary.

Adaptive Optics



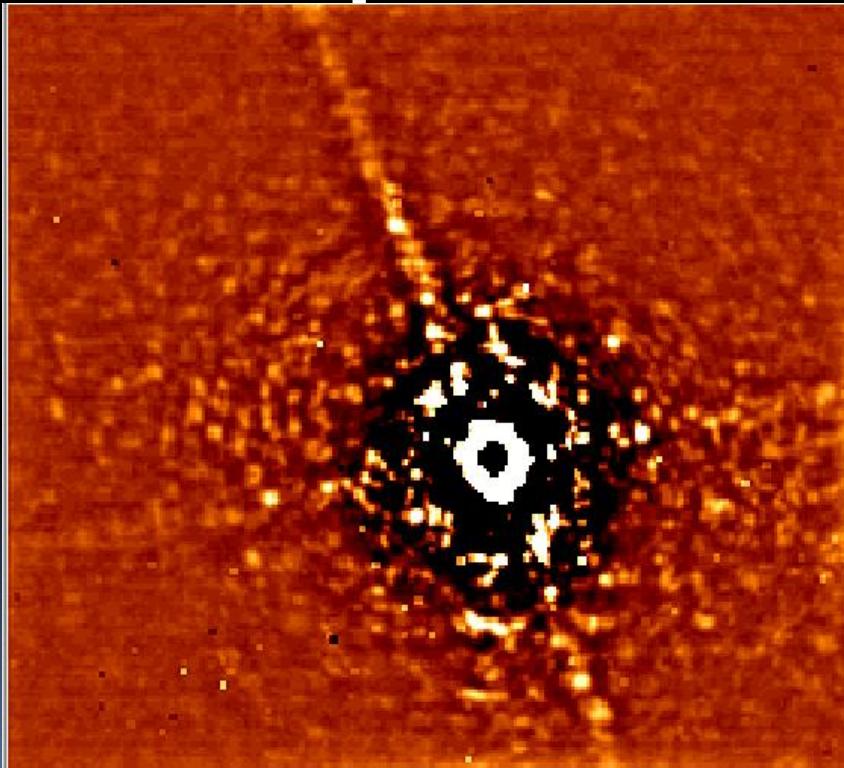
Coronagraphy



Sivaramakrishnan et al. 2001

Difficulties with Direct Detection (2)

Speckle Noise



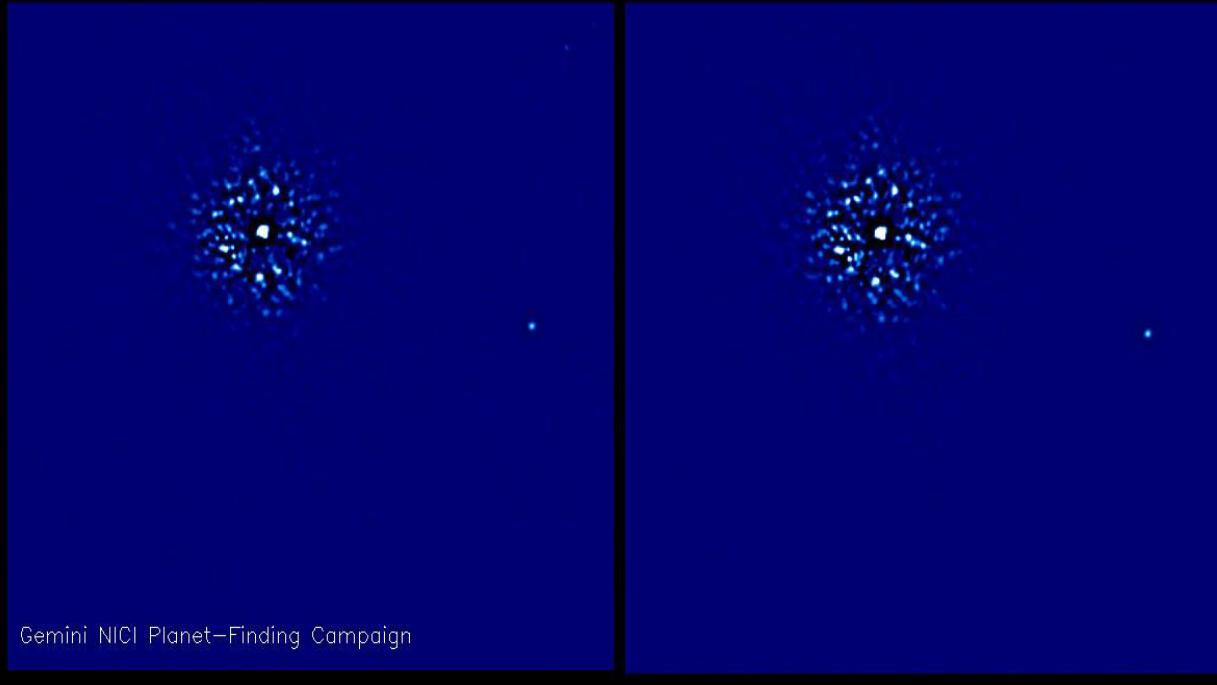
For photon-noise limited data:

$$S/N \sim t_{\text{exp}}^{0.5}$$

For speckle-noise limited data:
 S/N does not increase with time past a speckle noise floor.

Angular Differential Imaging

e.g. Schneider et al 2003, Liu 2004, Marois et al 2006, Heinze et al 2008



Rotation on sky decorrelates
real objects from speckles

Elements of Exoplanet Imaging

1. Adaptive optics

- *Increasing the contrast*

2. Coronagraphy

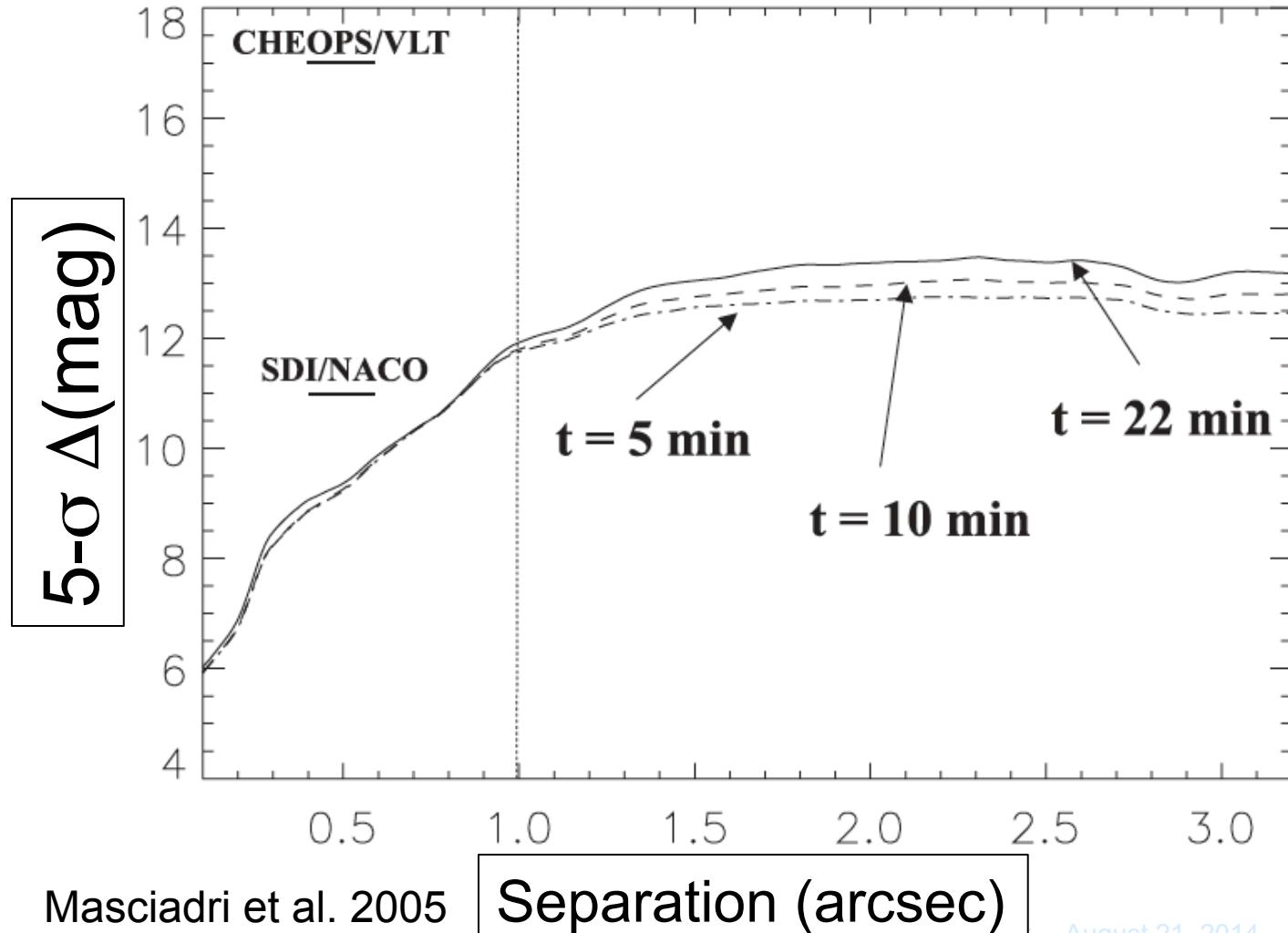
- *Boosting dynamic range and contrast*

3. Speckle Suppression Techniques

Spectral Differential Imaging (SDI), Angular Differential Imaging (ADI), etc.

- *Removing quasi-static speckles*

Generation 0 A0 enabled and HST efforts



Generation 0

A0 enabled and HST efforts

- Typical sample size: <50 stars
- Typical contrast: $\Delta\text{mag} \sim 8$ @ 0.5"
- VLT: Masciadri et al. 2005
- ESO 3.6 m: Chauvin et al. 2003
- HST: Lowrance et al. 2005

Generation 1

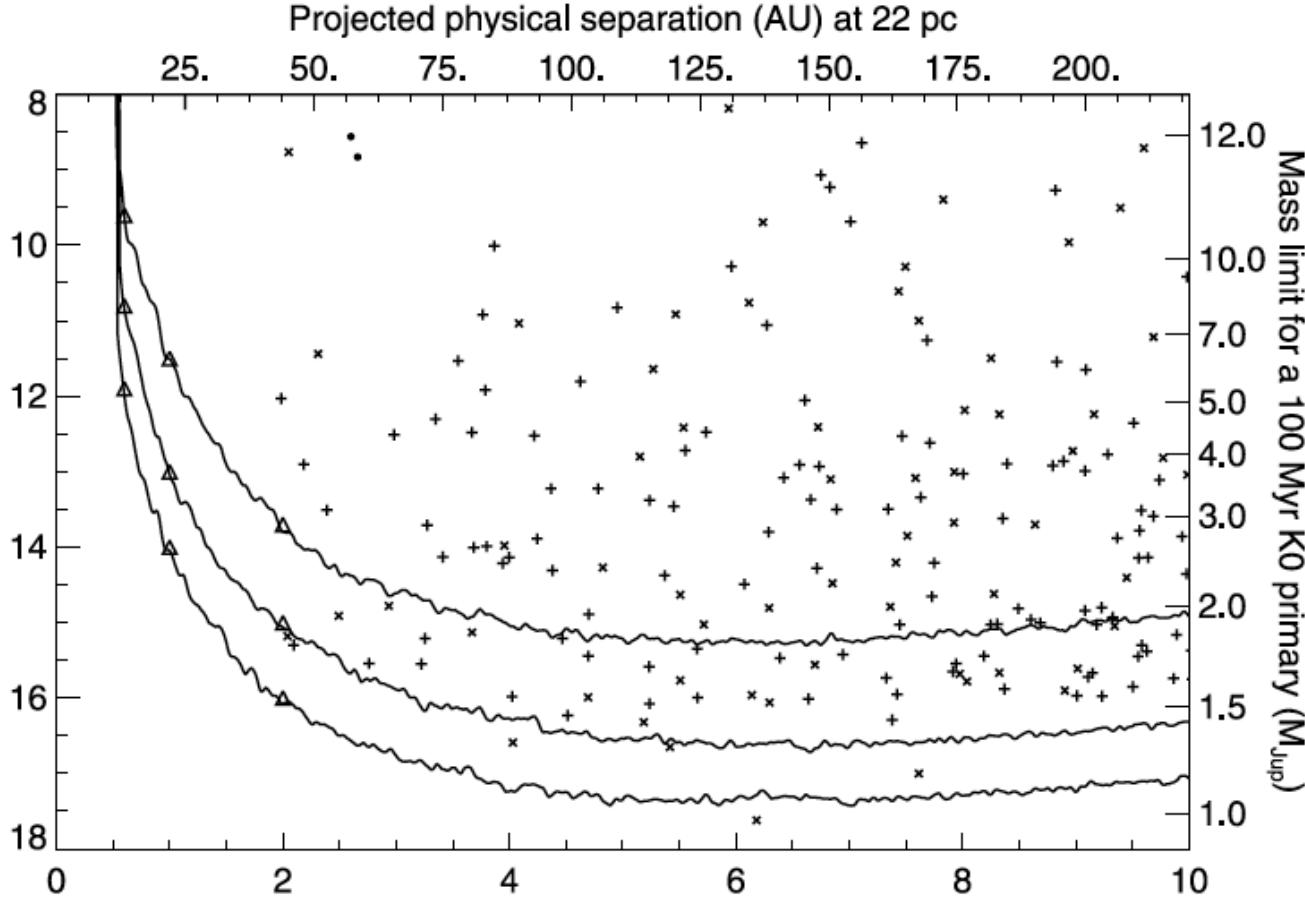
large telescope + AO + speckle suppression techniques

- Typical sample size: 50-100 stars
- Typical contrast: $\Delta\text{mag} \sim 10$ @ 0.5"
- VLT: Biller et al. 2007, Chauvin et al. 2010
- Gemini: Lafreniere et al. 2007
- Keck: Metchev et al. 2009
- Palomar: Carson et al. 2006, 2009, Metchev et al. 2009
- 3.6 AEOS + Lyot coronagraph: Leconte et al. 2010
- MMT: Heinze et al. 2010a, 2010b, Biller et al. 2007

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large telescope + AO + speckle suppression techniques

5- σ ΔV (mag)

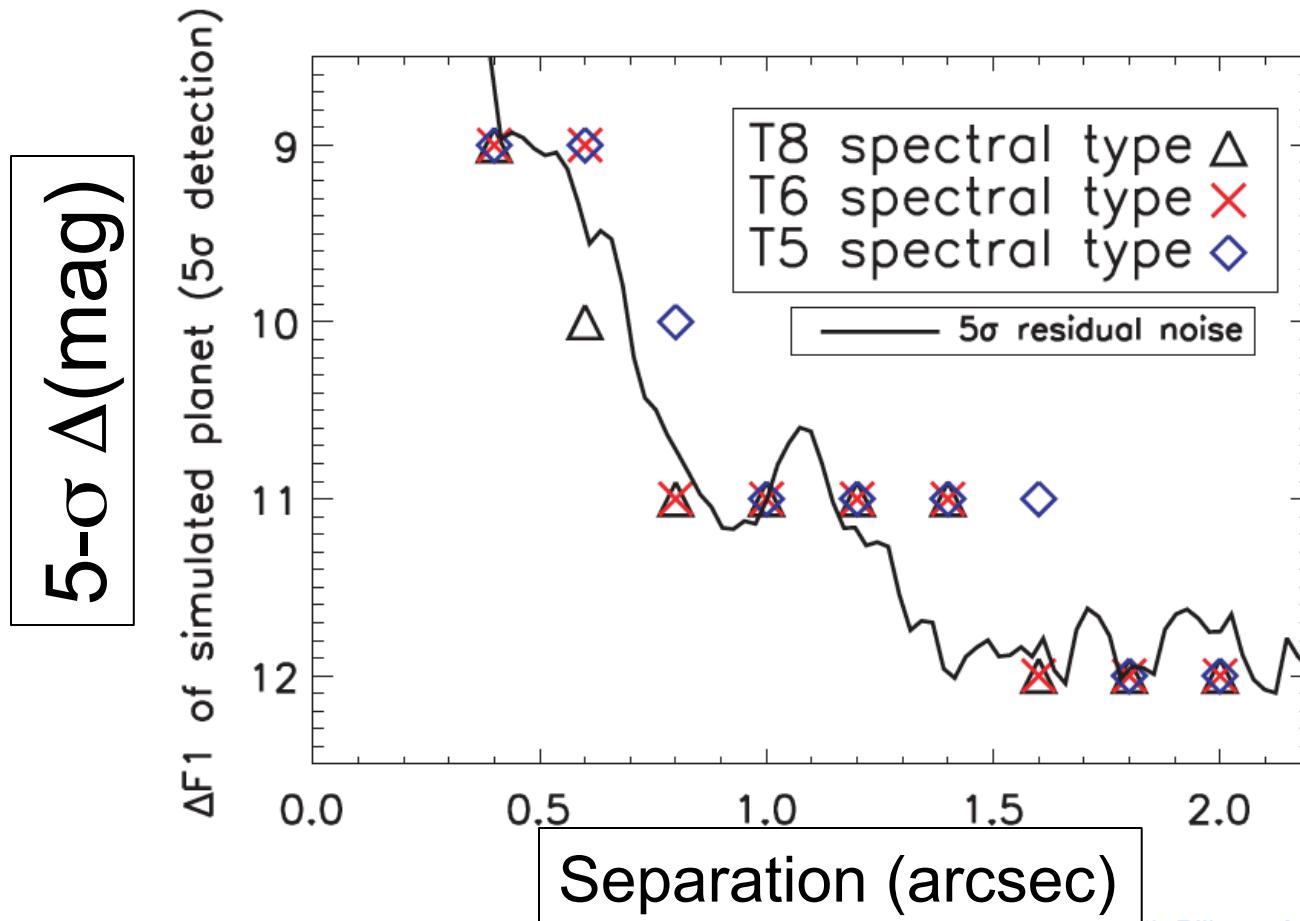


Lafreniere et al. 2007

Biller August 21, 2014

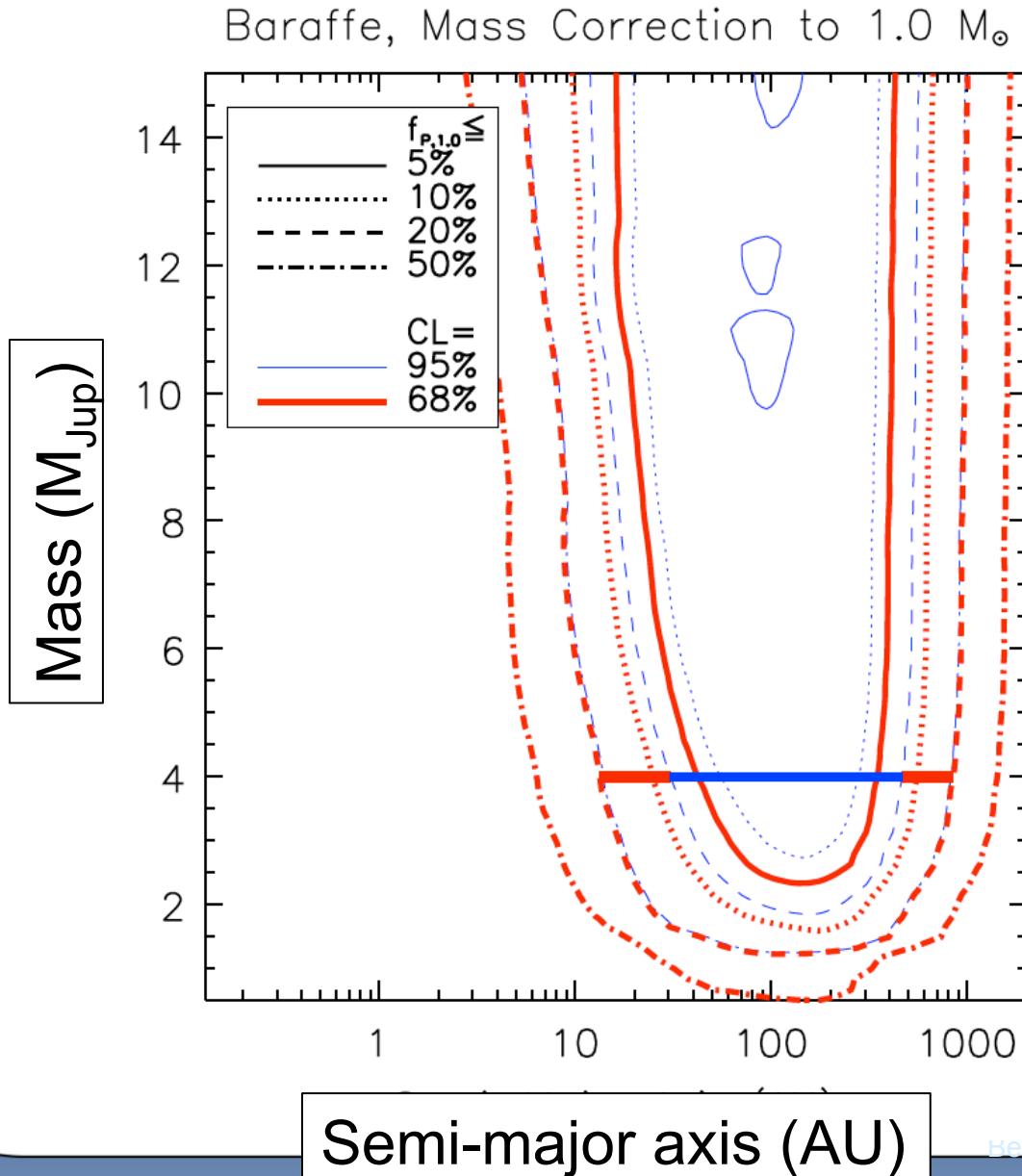
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Biller et al. 2007

Generation 1 survey statistics



Results from Nielsen and Close 2010, compiling data from 118 stars from Masciadri et al. 2005, Biller et al. 2007, and Lafrenière et al. 2007

Current Direct Imaging Efforts

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Current State of the Art: large telescope + AO + coronagraphy + speckle suppression techniques

- Typical sample size: >100 stars
- Typical contrast: $\Delta\text{mag} \sim 14.5$ @ 1"

Ongoing and Recently Completed Surveys:

NICI Science Campaign, Biller et al. 2013, Wahhaj et al. 2013, Nielsen et al. 2013, Nielsen et al. in prep, Liu et al. in prep.

NACO Large Program, Desidera et al. 2014, Chauvin et al. 2014, Vigan et al. in prep

IDPS, Vigan et al. 2012

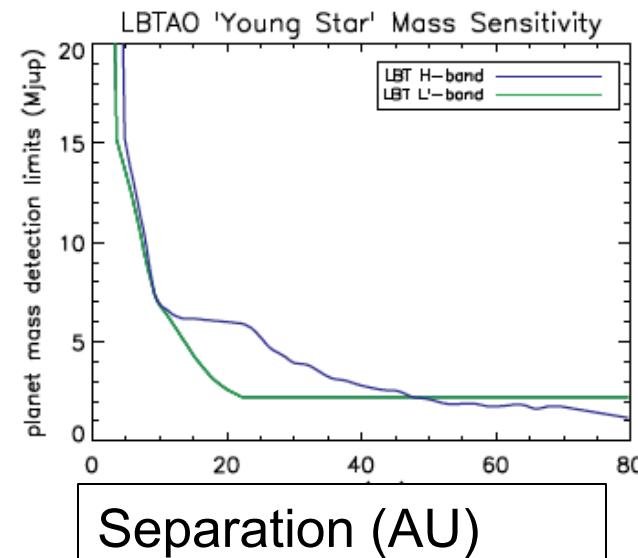
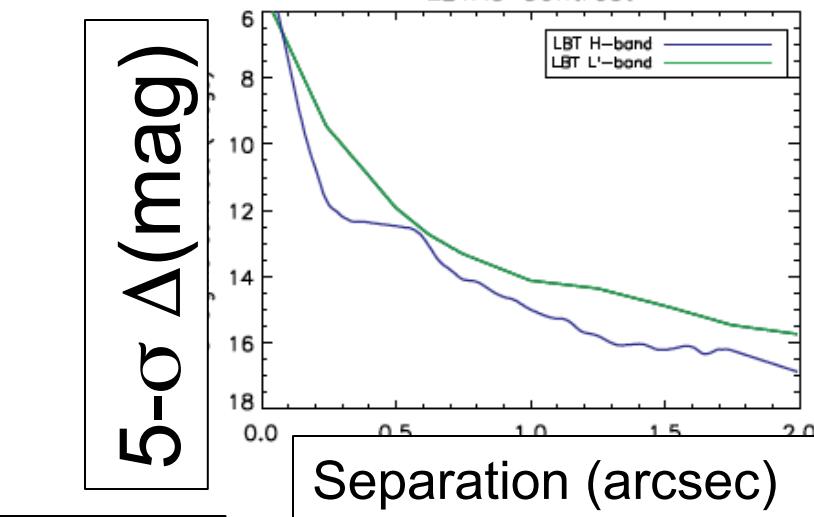
SEEDS, Brandt et al. 2014, Janson et al. 2013, Carson et al. in prep

M star based surveys, Bowler et al. 2013, Delorme et al. 2013

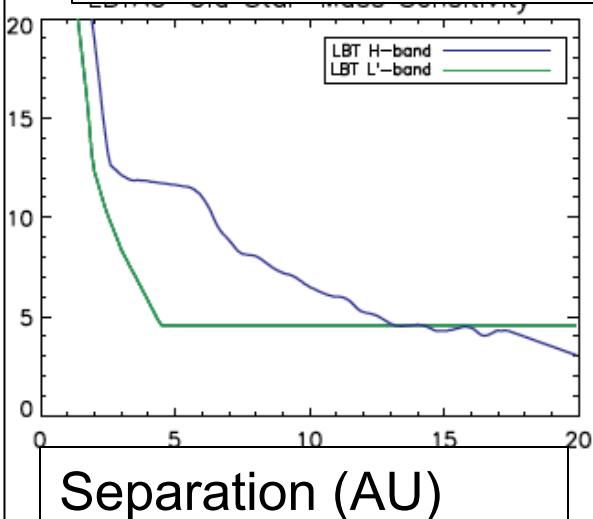
LEECH, Skemer et al. 2013

Near-IR vs. Mid-IR?

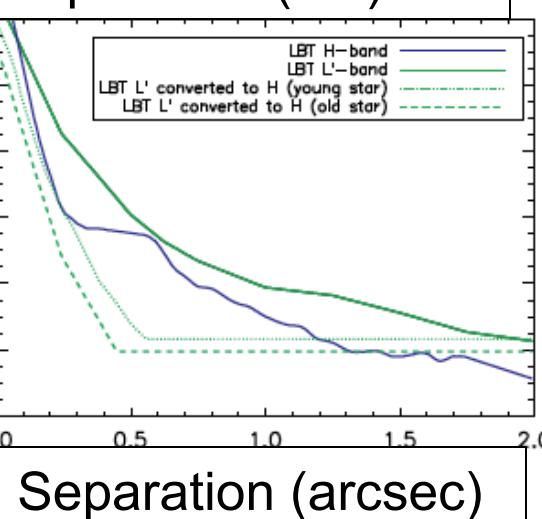
Skemer et al. 2014



Minimum
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$5-\sigma \Delta(\text{mag})$



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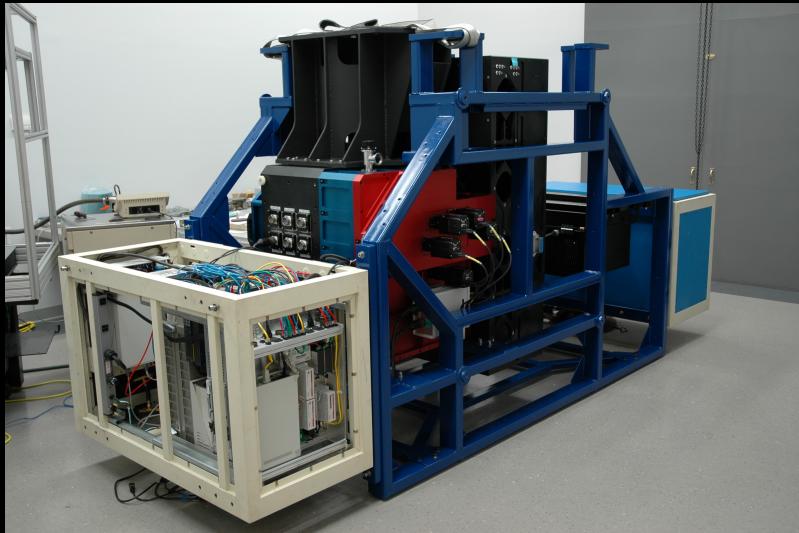
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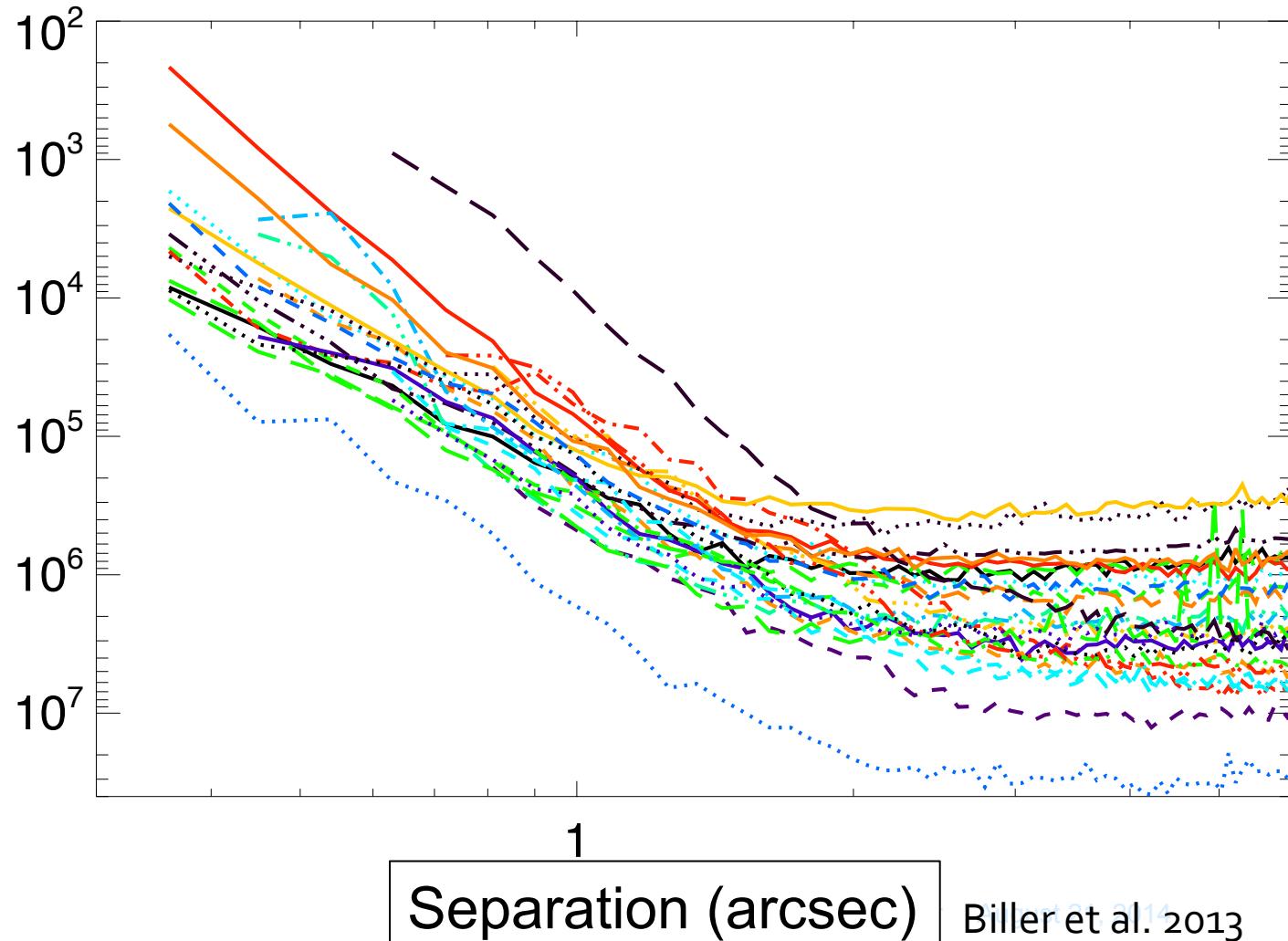
Gemini/NICI Planet-Finding Campaign



- Recently completed major campaign (PI Michael Liu)
@ Gemini-South for direct imaging of exoplanets: 500 queue hrs, ~230 stars.

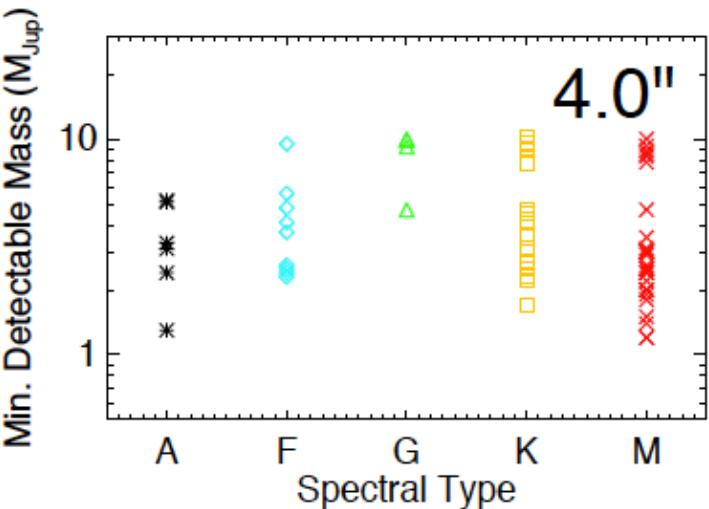
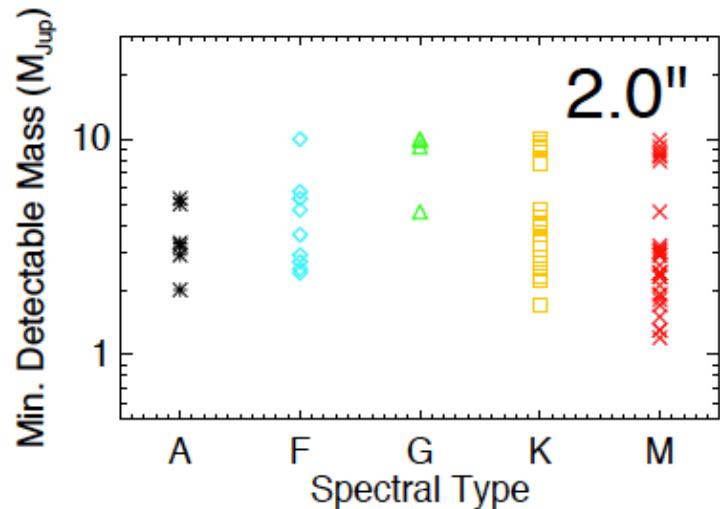
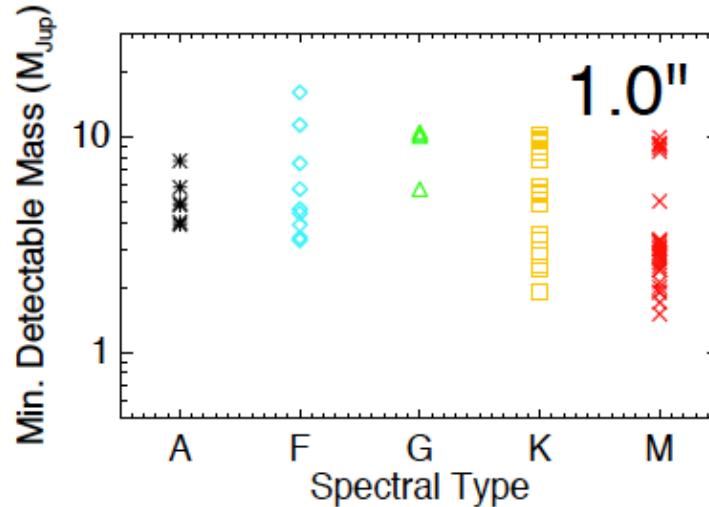
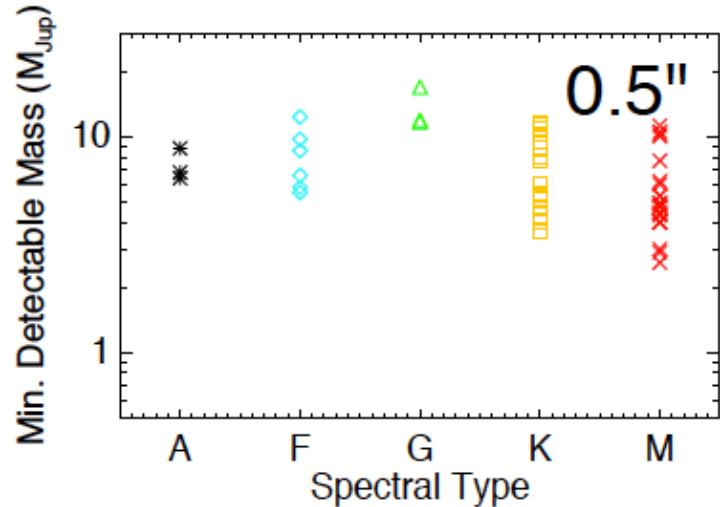
Excellent contrasts achieved

Attainable Star-
Planet Contrast



Minimum Detectable Mass (M_{Jup})

Mass Sensitivity



Spectral Type

Strongest Constraint on Planet Fraction to date from 78 NICI Campaign stars:

<8% host 1-20 Mjup
planets at semi-major
axes of 10-150 AU
(95% confidence level, COND models)

Summary

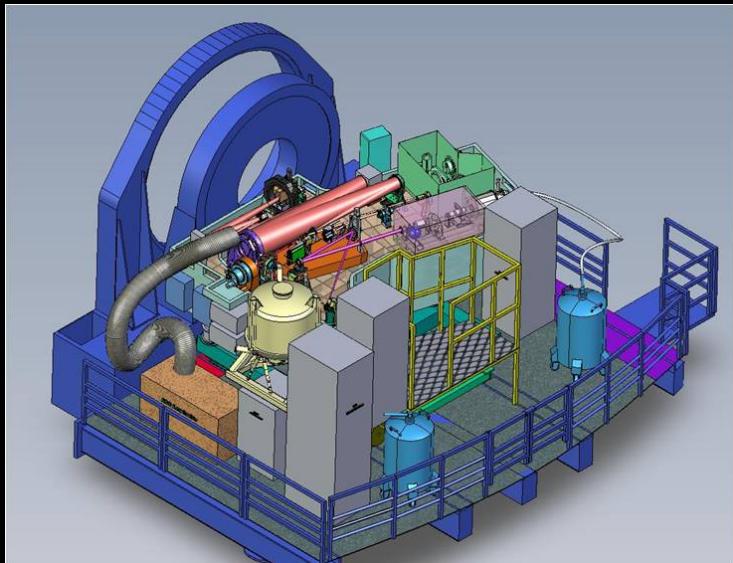
Hot-start gas-giant planets are rare at >10 AU.

- *HR 8799b planets are rare, β Pic b could be common.*
- *If hot start corresponds to gravitational instability (GI), then GI planets must rarely occur.*
- *If wide planets are due to scattering, this happens rarely.*

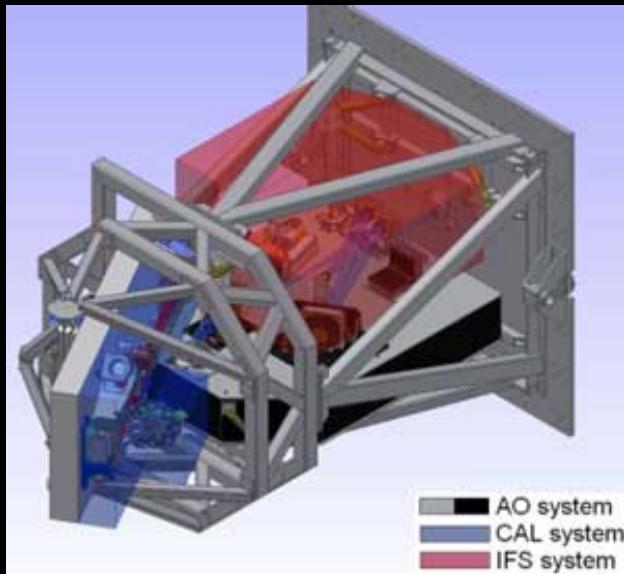
Next Generation Direct Imaging Efforts

New Instruments

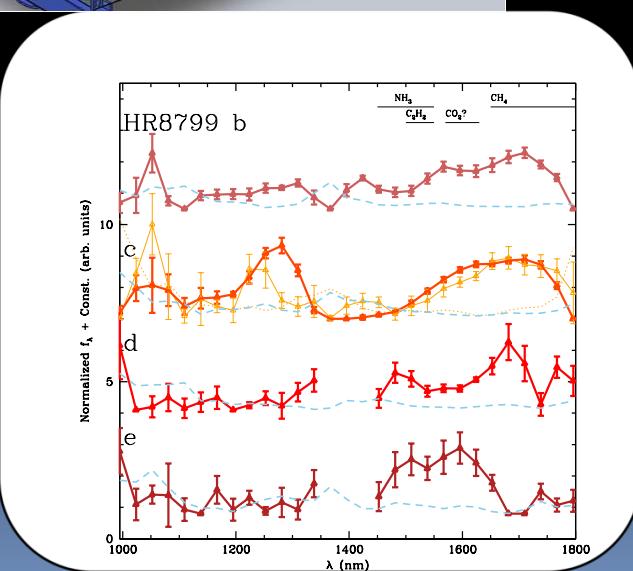
SPHERE @ VLT



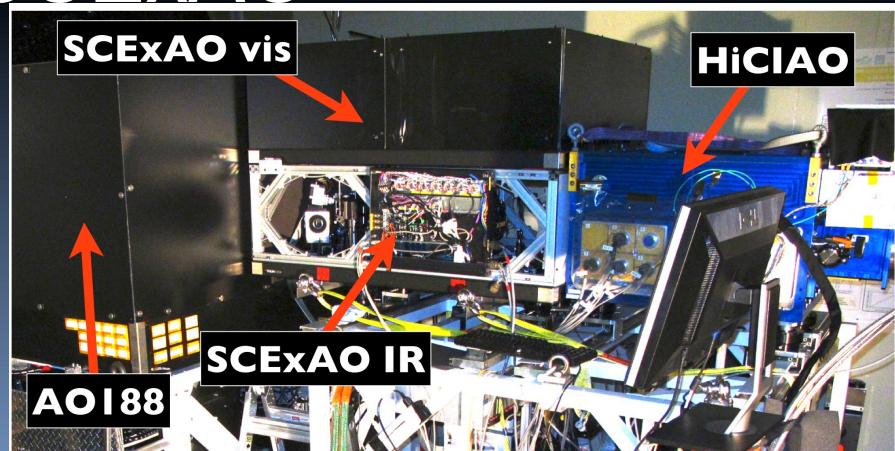
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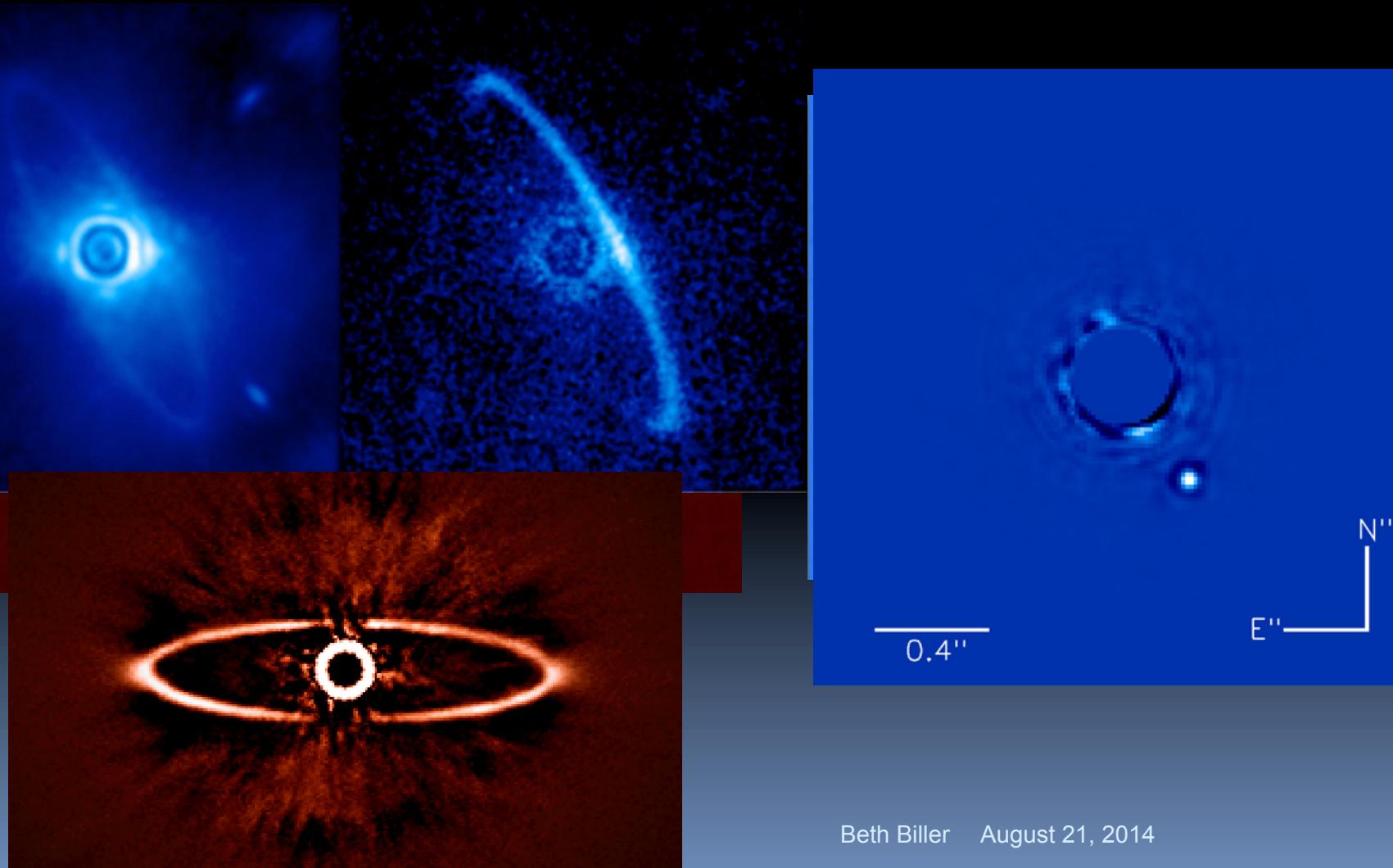
Project 1640



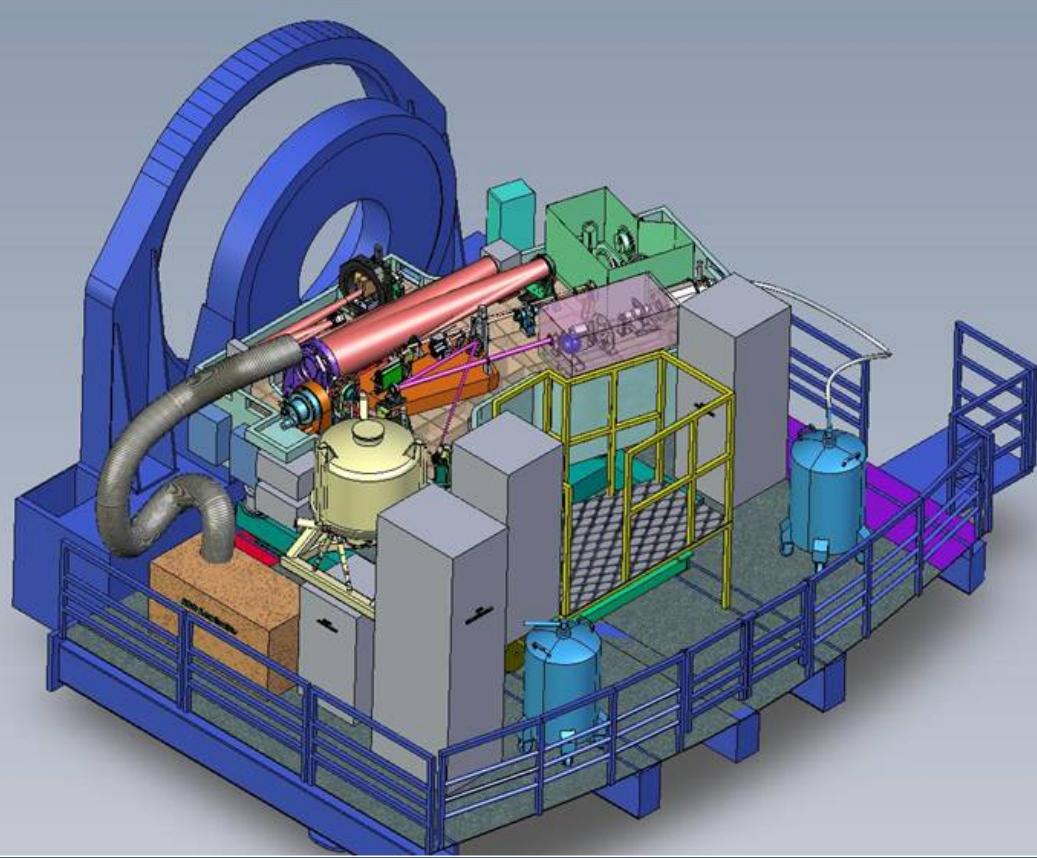
SCExAO



Unprecedented contrasts with SPHERE and GPI



NIRSUR with SPHERE @ VLT - predicted start in 2015



Assumed Planet Distribution

$$dN/dm \propto m^\alpha, \alpha = -0.63$$

$$dN/da \propto a^\beta, \beta = -1.16$$

until cutoff radius

Cumming et al. 2008 found $\alpha \sim -0.63$ and $\beta \sim -1.16$ for
RV planets out to ~ 8 AU

$$R(a, M | \alpha, \text{cutoff}, \beta, C) = CM^\beta a^\alpha$$

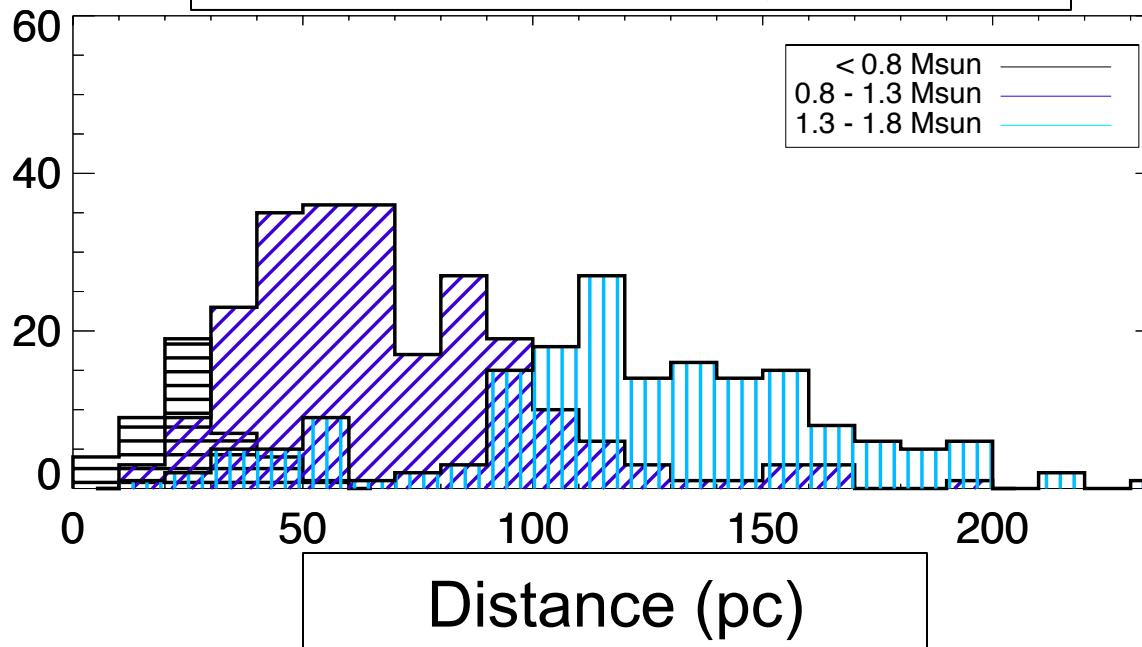
(until cutoff, where C is a normalization factor related
to planet frequency F)

Normalize to known RV planets

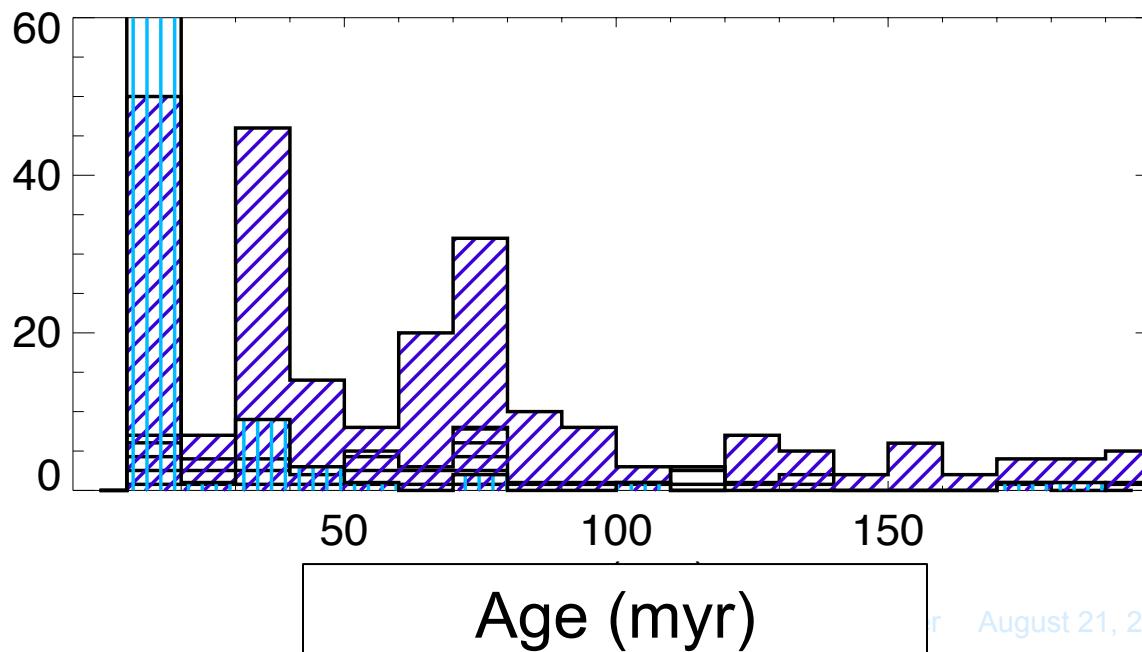
Fischer and Valenti 2005 find a
planet frequency of 3.94% for
planets with:

- Mass 1-13 M_{Jup}
- separations 0.3 – 2.5 AU
- stellar mass: 0.7 – 1.6 M_{Sun}
- [Fe/H]: -0.5 – +0.5

400 star 8 – 200 Myr sample



Distance (pc)



Age (myr)

Conclusions

Physical Properties

Direct imaging yields vital information on atmospheres of young planets

Architecture

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