Focal plane wavefront sensing and correction &

Coherence differential imaging

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Current AO systems





real SPHERE sequence





Atmospheric residues



quasi-static speckles

static speckles

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(Quasi)-static aberrations



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Averaging of AO residuals



Goal of focal plane correction high contrast techniques

 Correct for aberrations unseen by the Adaptive Optics (Non common path aberrations) => use the science camera as a sensor to retrieve most aberration in the science channel.



Because your sensing method uses the science detector during observations you can only hope to 29/10/2022 correct for speckles that are varying slower than the typical observations time (a few 10s of seconds)



46 seconds integration

real SPHERE sequence

Goal of focal plane correction high contrast techniques

- Correct for aberrations unseen by the Adaptive Optics (Non common path aberrations) => use the science camera as a sensor to retrieve most aberrations in the science channel.
- Dig a "dark hole" : a region in the focal plane with a higher contrast. Can be as large at the correction zone of SPHERE DMs, or can be smaller if we want to locally increase contraste

Correct for

- Static aberrations (can be done before science sequence)
- Quasi static aberrations things that varies at the same time scale as the science images exposure time (a few 10s of seconds), during the science sequence
- All aberrations faster than the science image exposure time and uncorrected by the AO cannot be corrected

Image creation





brings that part to ~0

Image creation





Waffles

Random ϕ_{up} and cosinus ripple ϕ_{DM} in pupil plane







Stellar intensity in coronagraph focal plane $I_{D,S}$









Dark hole shape





Electrical Field conjugation



Contrast improvment

Raw image



4 iterations

For the moment each iteration is ~4 probes of 1 minute. Can be reduces (less probes and faster)

Contrast improvment

Raw image



After high pass-filter



Contrast improvment



After high pass-filter



Electrical Field conjugation



COFFEE / MEDUSAE



-0.26 -0.14 -0.017 0.22 0.34 0.46 -0.38 0.1

Coherent Differential imaging





Coherent Differential imaging

Reference image

CDI result

MALLAN LAND

Total Intensity

Planet or disks are not impacted !





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Phase and amplitude aberrations

Phase : temporal delay between part of the aperture



Amplitude : local difference in the transmission



Field = exp(a) * P

Field = $exp(i \phi) * P$

Phase and amplitude Field = $E \exp(a + i \phi) = E \exp(\phi_c)$

Dark hole shape



