

#### **Optimizing WFIRST Coronagraph Science**

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47 Uma - 61 Uma



### The Potential of the WFIRST CGI





 $\log_{10}(F_P/F_S)$ 





#### **Team Structure**





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#### **Collaborators:**

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- Leslie Rogers
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- Natalie Batalha
- Jonathan Fortney
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### Simulations

- Lead: Bruce Macintosh
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## **Full-physics simulation flow**





# **Key Simulation tasks**

- Develop faster simulation approaches
- Develop open framework to merge astrophysics from other groups.
- Support Turnbull SIT



We will provide a public release of our simulations framework that can be used to evaluate GO/GI science opportunities.



# Science modeling

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WFIRSTaccessible known RV planets span a range of properties





# Step 1: Albedo spectra generation with full-physics models





### **Planet models**

- Full-physics planet models to generate input spectra
- Planets properties will be extremely diverse and different than our solar system
- Parameters including metallicity, clouds, chemistry
- Previous work produces many models; we will organize and curate





# Step 2: Propagate through CGI models (analytic or full)





# Step 3: Use MCMC inversion to recover parameters





### Circumstellar dust 47 UMa + 30 Zodi disk



Disk is detected at low SNR in multiple resolution elements, Planets b (2.1 AU) and c (3.6 AU) are easily seen

#### PSF-subtracted image



Binned SNR map of disk (peak SNR=15)

SDT report, Schneider & Greene



# Disk (Debes et al) flowing through simulation and data pipeline





Simulated astrophysical scene

**Recovered astrophysical scene** 

Model a range of disks (mature zodiacal disks, young debris disks, transitional disks...). Collaboration with Turnbull SIT We will also use MCMC inversion to retrieve the disk parameters.



## **Key Science Modeling tasks**

- Plan to collate library of theoretical planet and disk spectra/models that will be made available online and identify critical areas on which to focus our modeling efforts (e.g. mini neptunes and super earths)
- Evaluate importance of polarization measurements for planets and disks
- Model orbit-fitting





# Instrument operations, requirements

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- Mike McElwain
- Tyler Groff
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# **Development of operating scenarios**

- Observing scenarios involve three stars per target
- Wavefront reference star (bright)
- Science target
- PSF reference star (matching science target)
- Are all three necessary? How close to a match does it need to be?





### Wavefront control convergence



Need to include wavefront control overheads in DRMs. Should wavefront control continue during science?

Can science images generated in wavefront control distinguish speckles and planets?



# Key instrument tasks

- Work to push wavefront control algorithms within ExEP / WFIRST
- Co-organize "Stanford meetings" with instrument team
- Setting level 2 requirements
  - Define spatial and spectral sampling
  - Current design overampled spatially and undersampled spectrally
  - Explore dark current vs readnoise
  - Maximize throughput
- Explore polarimetry modes
  - Polarization-dependent aberrations in beam
  - DM can only correct one polarization state for some modes
  - How to split, modulate polarization
  - Scientific value?



# **DRM and exoplanet strategy**

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#### Planets within 30 pc



Kepler-consistent RF; 1.9 pl/star Main sequence non binary stars



#### **WFIRST** sensitivity space





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### **Exoplanet Yield Estimates**

	Giants (4-15 R <sub>E</sub> )	Sub- Neptunes (2-4 R <sub>E</sub> )	Super-Earths (1-2 R <sub>E</sub> )	Total
Known RV Studies*	16	0	0	16
180-day Blind Search	2	6	4	12
Total**	18	6	4	28

- RV yield could be augmented by the WIYN program for future RV observations; see poster by Chontos et al
- \*\* Yield assumes 0.4 jitter and 30x speckle attenuation



# **DRM optimization**

- Add to models
  - Target ID by GAIA, WIYN precision RV
  - RV planet recovery and full characterization
  - Blind search optimization including recovery and orbits
  - Extrasolar zodiacal dust models with varying properties and higher fidelity



Long term: evaluate a range of possible planet populations:

- Model multiplanet correlations,
- Bimodal planet formation (Kepler-blind solar analogs)



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# PSF subtraction and image processing

Karhunen-Loève Image Processing (Soummer et al 2012)



Slide by M. Ygouf



# **PSF** subtraction and data processing

 Ongoing STScI project uses standard algorithms (KL mode / PCA base) against project data.

**HBLC OS3 distribution** 



(a) Without LOWFC



(b) With LOWFC



- Optimal estimation of recovered planet properties
  - Algorithmic self-subtraction biases
- Properly asses probabilities (false positive and missedplanet) for blind surveys







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# Long-term tasks that will enable GO/GI science

- Iterative cycles of simulated high-fidelity data
  - This will include public data releases
- Refined science models
  - Improved disk models with consistency with planet models, observations
  - Mini-Neptune and Super-Earth atmospheric models
  - Public releases of models developed in support of SIT effort
- DRM cycles
  - Public release of yield analysis code via github
- GO coronagraph science collaboration
  - Exoplanet topics young planets and planet-forming disks, selfluminous planets
  - Non-exoplanet science