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CHARACTERIZATION OF EXOPLANET HOST STARS

AND IMPACT OF PERTURBATING ELEMENTS





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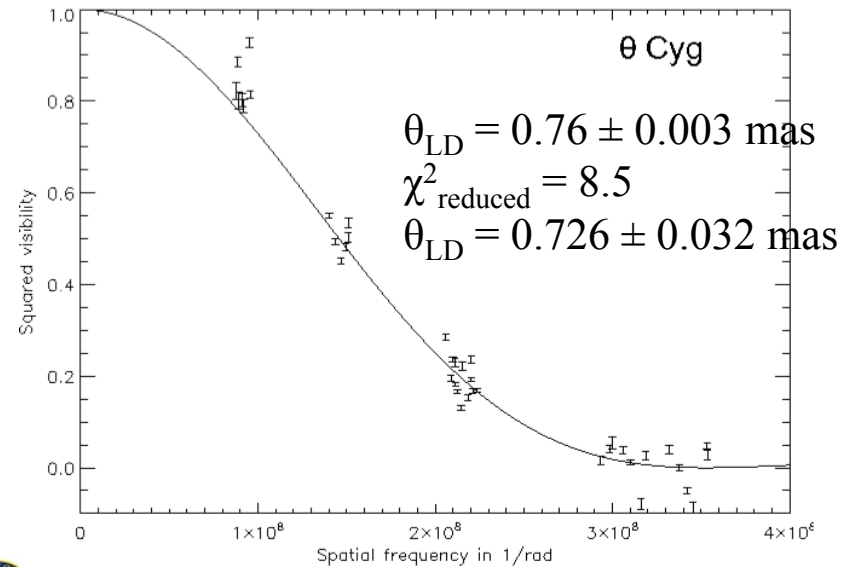
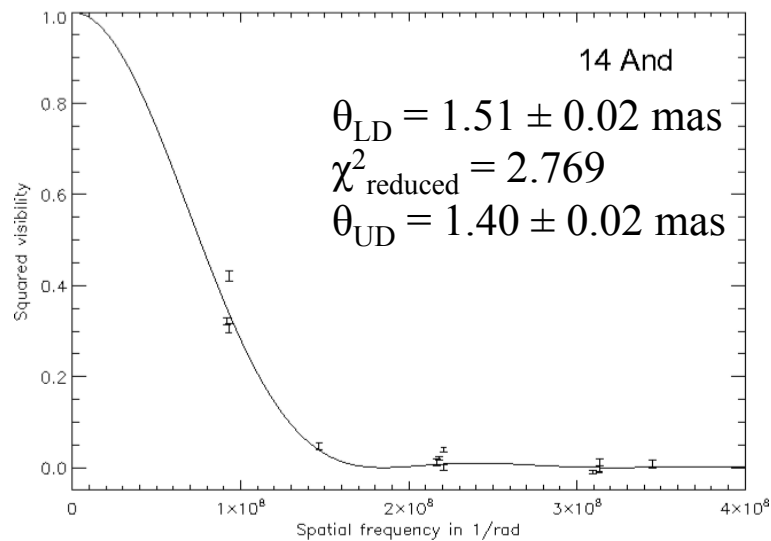
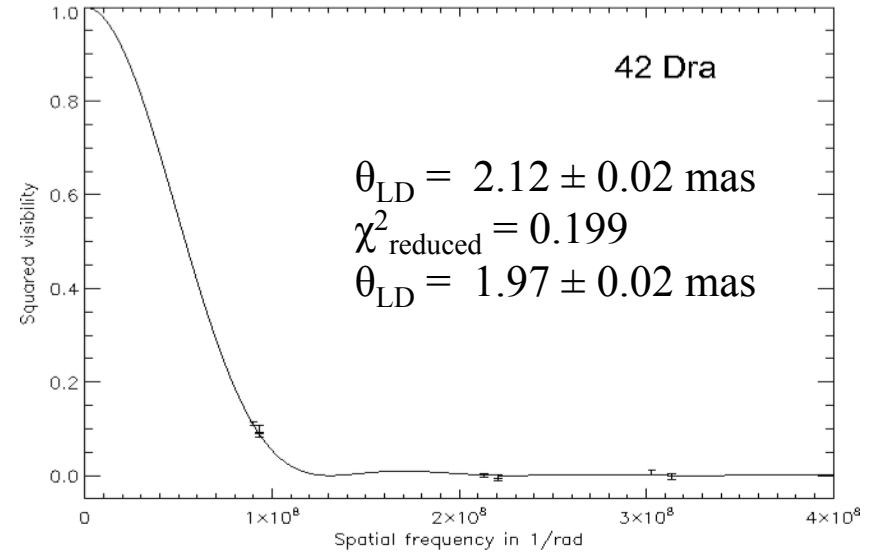
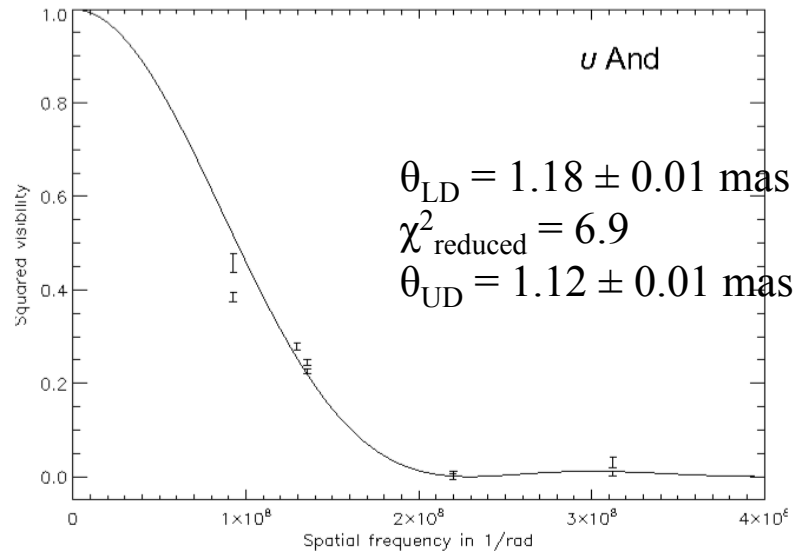


PREVIOUS RESULTS FROM OBSERVATIONS WITH VEGA/CHARA

- Observations of exoplanet host stars from 2010 to 2012.
- Determination of fundamental parameters of observed stars and exoplanets.
- Good results in 2010-2011, less good in 2012...waiting for 2013 season.
- One paper published (Ligi et al., 2012).



PUBLISHED RESULTS





PUBLISHED RESULTS

Star	Radius	Mass	T_{eff}
14 And	12.82 ± 0.32	2.60 ± 0.42	4450 ± 78
ν And	1.70 ± 0.02	1.12 ± 0.25	5819 ± 78
42 Dra	22.04 ± 0.48	0.92 ± 0.11	4301 ± 71

Planet	$P_{\text{orb}} [\text{days}]$	$K [m.s^{-1}]$	e	$M_{\text{pl}} \sin(i) [M_{\text{Jup}}]$	
				This work	Previous work
14 And b	185.84 ± 0.23	100.0 ± 1.3	0	5.33 ± 0.57	4.8^{15}
ν And b	4.62 ± 0.23	70.51 ± 0.45	0.022 ± 0.007	0.62 ± 0.09	0.69 ± 0.04^{22}
ν And c	241.26 ± 0.64	56.26 ± 0.52	0.260 ± 0.079	1.80 ± 0.26	1.98 ± 0.19^{22}
ν And d	1276.46 ± 0.57	68.14 ± 0.45	0.299 ± 0.072	3.75 ± 0.54	4.13 ± 0.29^{22}
ν And e	3848.86 ± 0.74	11.54 ± 0.31	0.0055 ± 0.0004	0.96 ± 0.14	1.06 ± 0.28^{22}
42 Dra b	479.1 ± 6.2	112.5	0	3.79 ± 0.29	3.88 ± 0.85^{17}

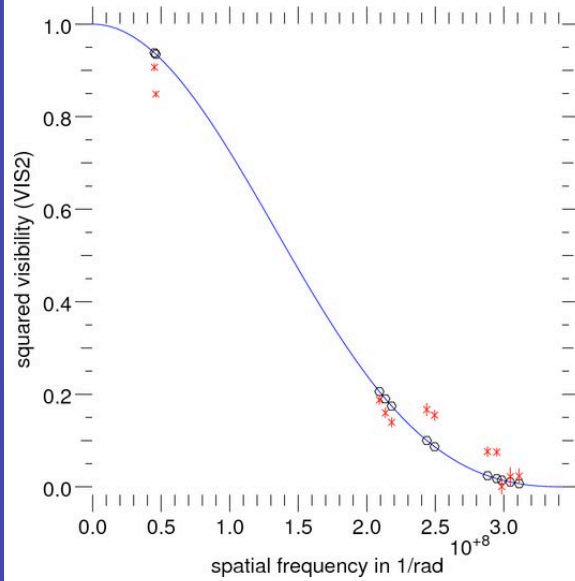


ON-GOING RESULTS

- In 2012, observations of 7 exoplanet host stars.
- Bad forecast and instrumental difficulties prevented us to get good data in general.
- However, some data remain usable (up to now): 55 Cnc, HD19994, HD1367.
- Work still in progress.



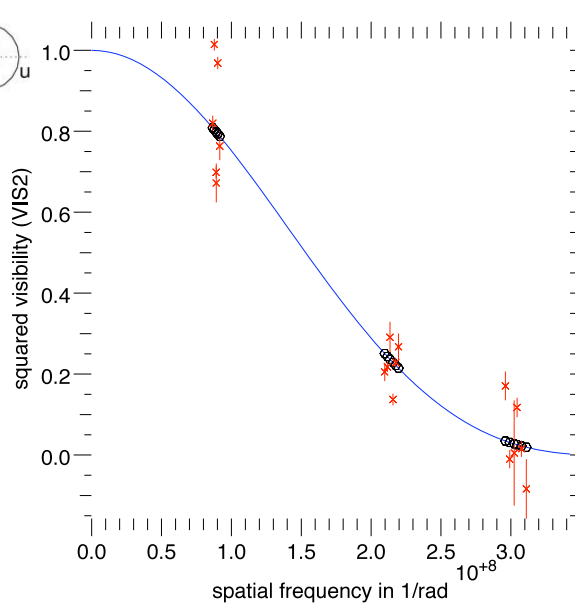
ON-GOING RESULTS



HD19994

- ◆ Host star, θ_{UD} expected ≈ 0.75 mas, magV = 5
- ◆ 1 exoplanet
- ◆ 3 observations during Fall 2012, 2 correct data points.

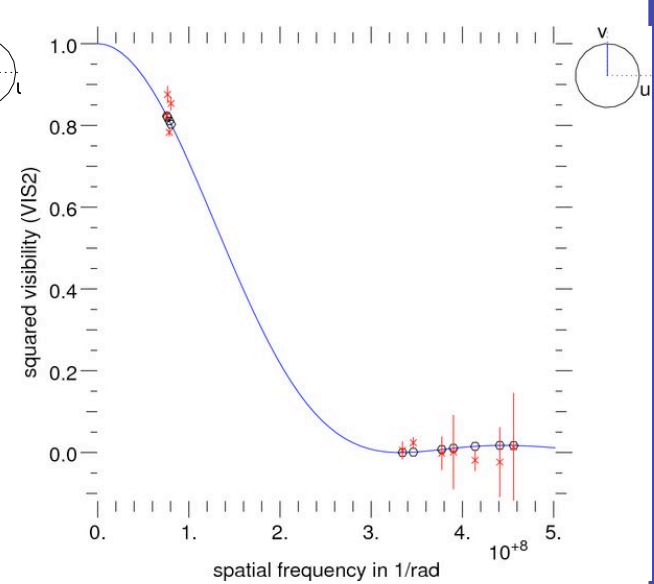
θ_{UD} measured $\approx 0.74 \pm 0.005$ mas



HD 1367

- ◆ Star, θ_{UD} expected ≈ 0.63 mas, magV = 6.2
- ◆ 3 observations during Fall 2012.

θ_{UD} measured $\approx 0.69 \pm 0.005$ mas



55 Cancri

- ◆ Host star, θ_{UD} expected ≈ 0.70 mas, magV = 5.95
- ◆ 5 exoplanets, (1 transiting planet).
- ◆ 4 observations, 2 good data points.

θ_{UD} measured $\approx 0.76 \pm 0.014$ mas





ON-GOING RESULTS

Conclusion

- Diameters to be confirmed.
- When conditions are good, we get good precisions on the measured diameters.
- We still have data to reduce in order to complete the star sample of 2012.



MODELING OF TRANSITING EXOPLANETS AND STELLAR SPOTS

- Nowadays, more than 800 exoplanets have been detected.
- Many methods:
 - Radial velocity (RV): the most prolific one.
 - Transit method
 - Astrometry
 - Gravitational lens
- However, many difficulties to characterize them: R_{pl} , $v \sin i$, M_{pl} ... are hard to measure with accuracy.
- Combining interferometry and RV measurements allows to accurately determine $M_{pl} \sin i$.



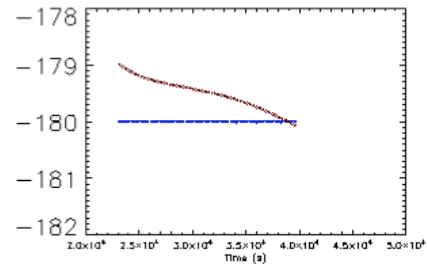
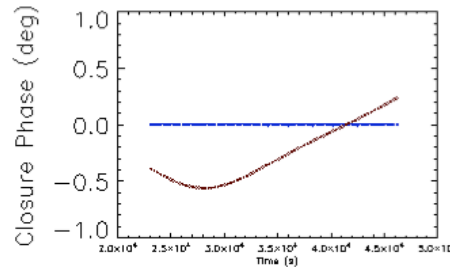
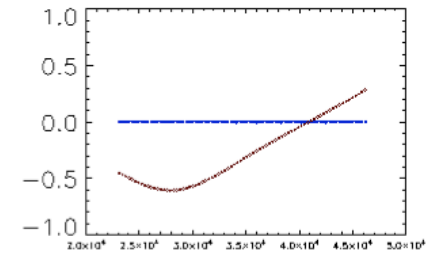
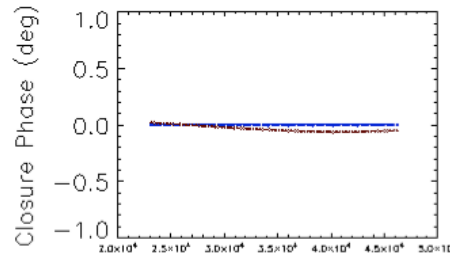
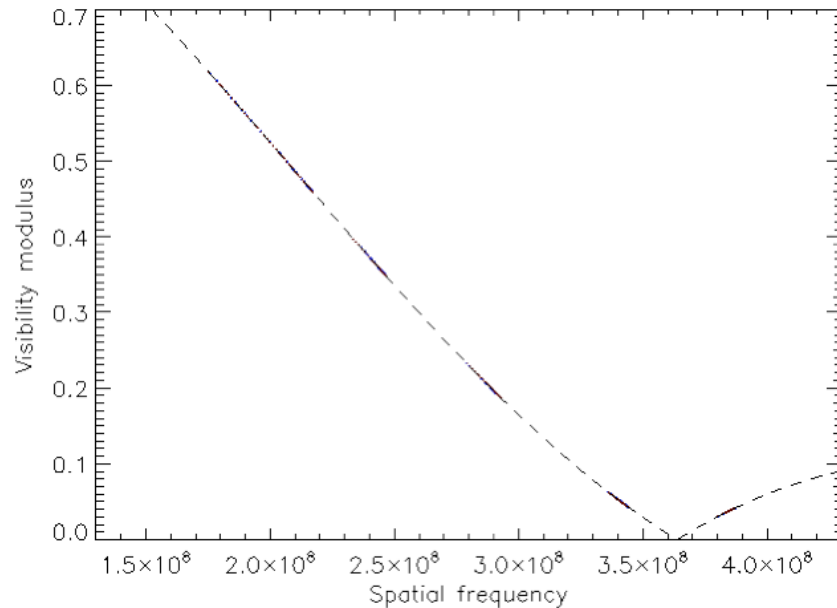
OBJECTIVE

- Main goal: Which baseline length could detect the signature of a transiting exoplanet or a spot on the visibility or the closure phase?
- Is CHARA able to detect the signature of an exoplanet or a spot?
 - Study of the variation of each impact parameter
 - Study of the Minimum Baseline Length (MBL) needed to detect a transiting exoplanet or a spot according to these parameters.

OBJECTIVE

Exemple: 55 Cnc observed with VEGA/CHARA, oifits file made with ASPRO2. $\theta_{pl}=0.015$ mas.

- Visibilities: nothing is detected.
- Closure phase: the signal does not exceed 1° .



Blue: without exoplanet

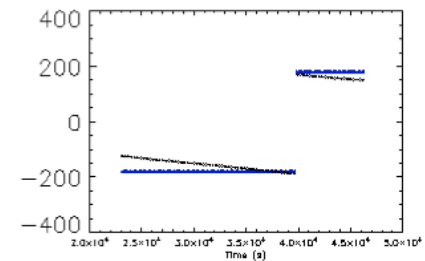
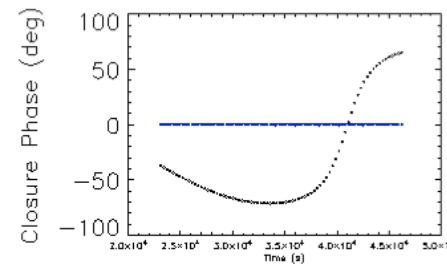
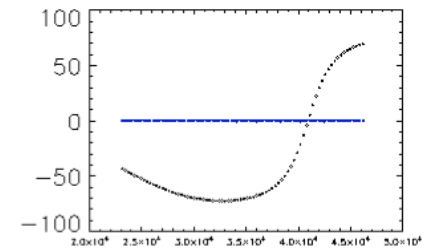
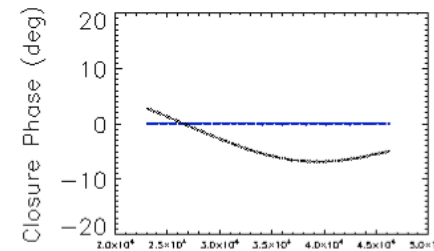
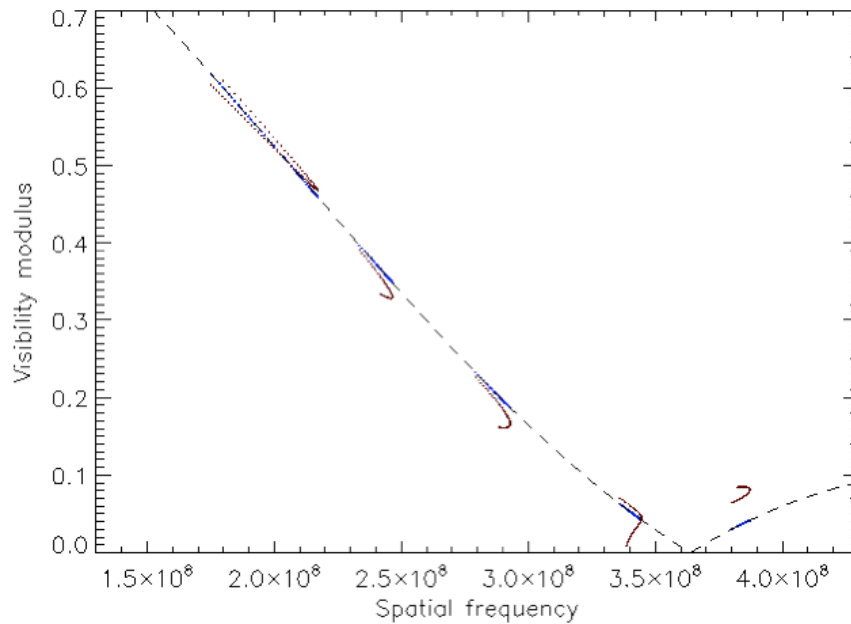
Red: with exoplanet

S1S2W2E2, $\theta_{LD} = 0.74$ mas

OBJECTIVE

Illustrative exemple: a fictive 55 Cnc observed with VEGA/CHARA, oifits file made with ASPRO2. But we assume $\theta_{pl}=0.15$ mas.

- Visibilities: reach 6% difference close to the 0 of visibility.
- Closure phases: the signal reaches 100°.



Blue: without exoplanet

Red: with exoplanet

S1S2W2E2, $\theta_{LD} = 0.74$ mas



OBJECTIVE

- We want to study the difference between the visibility modulus of a star without exoplanet and a star with a transiting exoplanet.
 - We look for differences of 1% and 2% between both.
- We want to study the difference between the closure phase of a star without exoplanet and a star with a transiting exoplanet.
 - We look for differences of 2° and 20° between both.

METHOD

- Impact parameters: θ_* , θ_{pl} , location of the exoplanet x or the spot, Claret coefficient α , Intensity of the spot I_{spot} .
- We fix every parameters but one, and make it vary.
 - ✧ Fixed values: $\theta_*=1$ mas, $I_{pl}=0$, $x=0.2$ mas, $\alpha=0.5$.
 - ✧ Variation:
 - Of x : from 0 to 0.5 mas
 - Of θ_{pl} : from 0.04 to 0.24
 - Of α for studying the impact of LD: from 0.44 to 0.74.
 - ✧ α , x fixed, and variation of θ_{pl}/θ_* (steady ratio).
 - ✧ α , x , θ_{spot} , θ_* fixed, variation of I_{spot} .

METHOD

- Analytical model: calculation of the visibility for a single star and for a star with a transiting exoplanet or a spot.
 - Stars: limb-darkened (LD) disks model.
 - Exoplanets: $I_{pl}=0$, assumed to be uniform dark disks.
 - For spots: their T_{eff} can vary so I_{spot} too, we assume LD disk models.
- For each parameter, we create baselines of 2 km large and calculate the corresponding visibilities and closure phases. We then compare with the visibility and the closure phase with no exoplanet.

NB: We settle for the calculation of phases only since we are not interested in one particular triplet telescopes, which would have allowed to calculate closure phases.

RESULTS

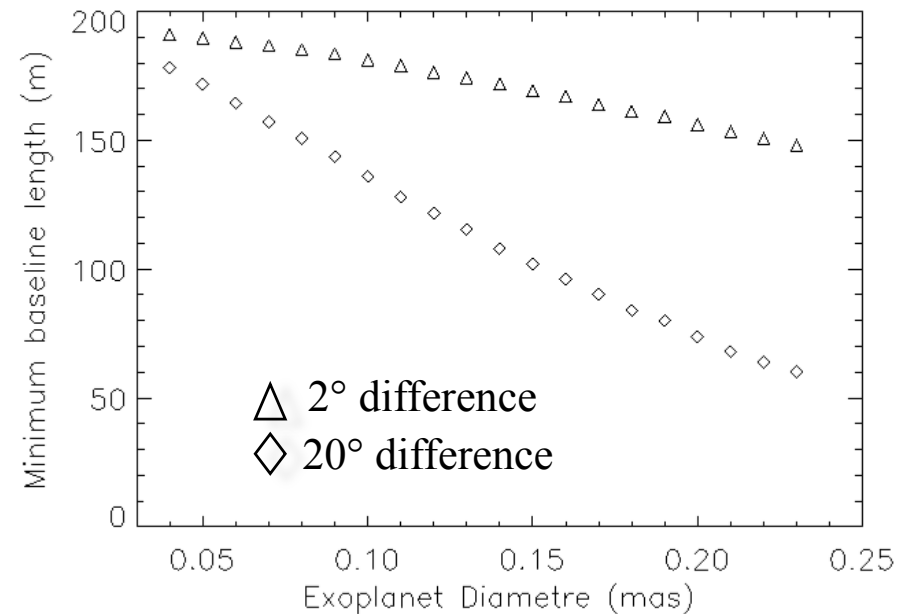
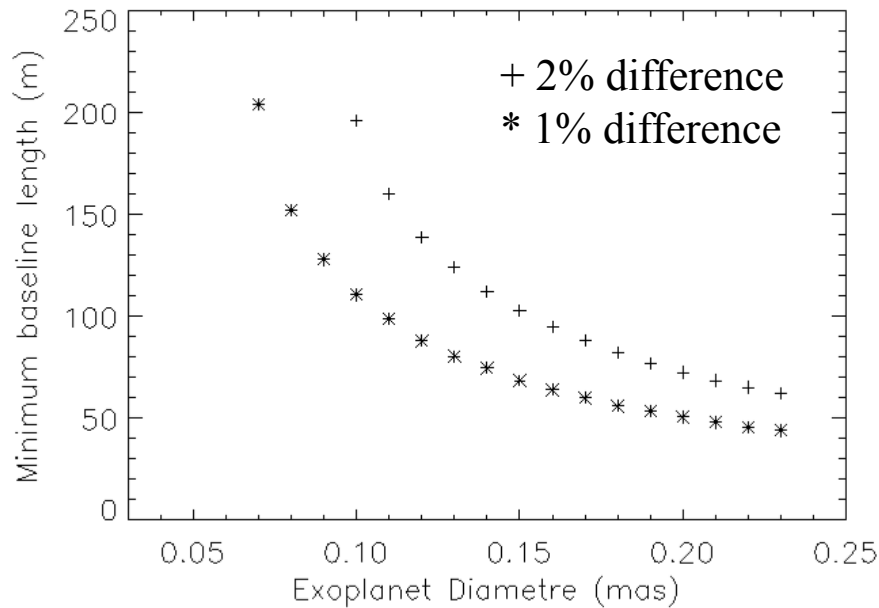
Variation of exoplanet's diameter

Variation of the Visibility:

No solution is found for $\theta_{pl} < 0.13$ mas for 2% difference. For $\theta_{pl} < 0.09$ mas, much larger baselines are needed.

Variation of the closure phase:

CHARA baselines exist.





CONCLUSION

- In general, very small exoplanets ($\theta_{pl} < 0.10$ mas) need $MBL > 200m$ to be detected on the closure phase.
- Having more than 2% difference on the visibilities is not possible.
 - Need of the closure phases more than the visibility.
- For now, only big exoplanets (hot Jupiter, Neptune-like planets) have a chance to be detected by interferometry.
- The intensity of the spot would allow to disentangle between spots and exoplanets.



CONCLUSION

VEGA catalog: ~10000 stars
observable with CHARA,
from $-30^\circ < \delta < +90^\circ$.

Host stars accessible with VEGA/CHARA:
42 stars.

- 35.7% V
- 52.4% III
- 11.9% IV

Criterion :
magV from 1.2 to 6.5
 $0.3 < \theta_* < 3$ mas

Among them, only 1
transiting exoplanet,
BUT 18 transiting
exoplanets with
magV < 10 that will be
observable with
VEGAS...

HD number	Spec. Type	Mag. V.
3651	K0 V	5,80
9826	F8 V	4,09
14209	K1IVa	4,79
16400	G5III	5,65
19994	F8 V	5,07
22049	K2 V	3,73
28305	K0 III	3,53
32518	K1III	6,44
45410	K0IV	5,86
47205	K1 III	3,96
59686	K2 III	5,45
62509	K0IIIb	1,15
69830	K0V	5,95
73108	K1III	5,79
75732	G8 V	5,95
81688	K0III-IV	5,41
95128	G0V	5,10
100655	G9III	6,45
104985	G9 III	5,79
107383	G8 III	4,74
110014	K2III	4,66
115617	G5V	4,74
117176	G4 V	5,00
120136	F7 V	4,50
122430	K3III	5,48
136726	K4III	5,02
137759	K2III	3,31
139357	K4III	5,98
143761	G0V or G2V	5,40
167042	K1III	5,97
170693	K1,5III	4,83
173416	G8	6,06
188310	G9IIIb	4,72
190360	G6 IV	5,71
192310	K1V	6,13
199665	G6III	5,52
210702	K1III	5,93
216956	A3 V	1,16
217014	G2 IV	5,49
219449	K0 III	4,21
221345	K0III	5,22
222404	K2 V	3,22



PERSPECTIVES

- The method could be improved: the flattening of spots, while exoplanets remains round all along their journey in front of the star, could add more hints to disentangle between exoplanets.
- Only one exoplanet or spot is modeled:
 - ok for transiting exoplanets in general
 - spot generally come by pairs, and their can be many on a same star.
 - Lead to a numerical model.



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