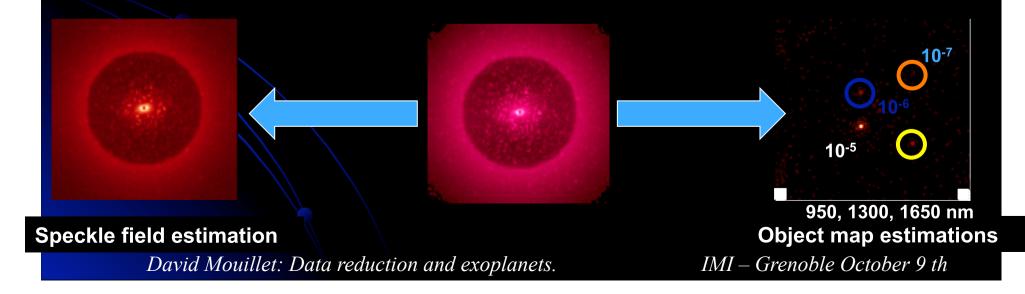
Data reduction experience and tools, to get the best of exoplanet observations

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Why caring about such boring matters as data reduction ?

- Not boring: field of research by itself
 - Signal processing = important and active field of research by itself ; a lot to exchange and gain with such specialists
 - Active field within astronomy:
 - Eg: in the last few months ! Soummer et al, Quanz et al, Milli et al, Ygouf et al, ...

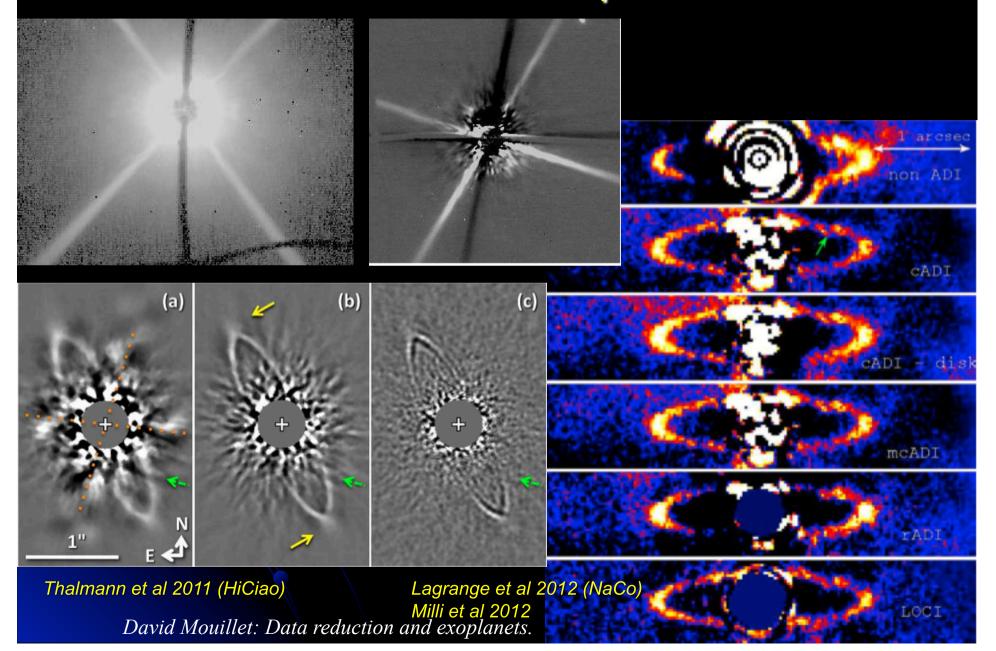


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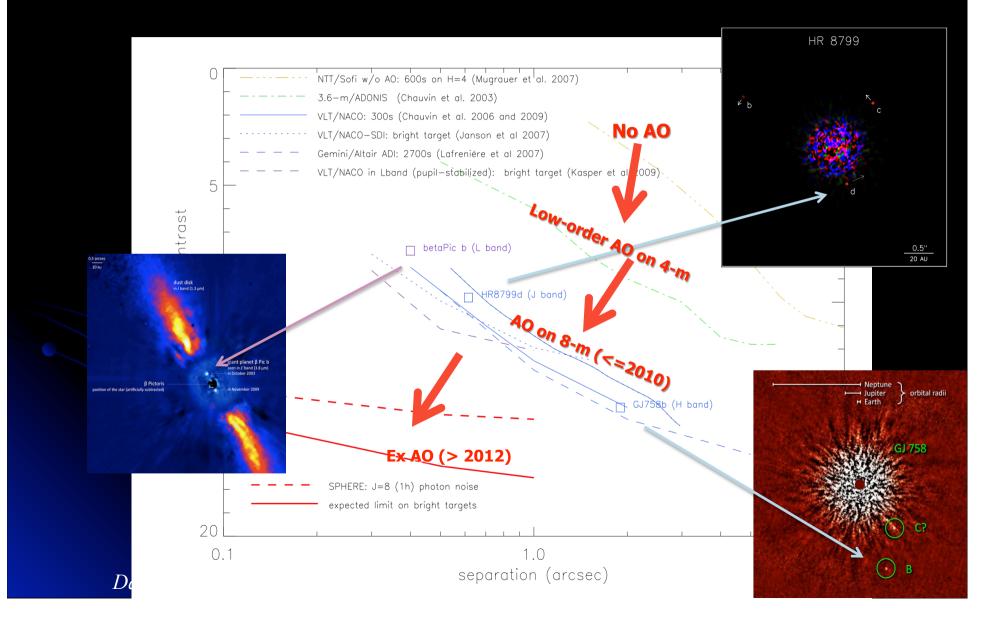
- Not boring: field of research by itself
- Motivation to produce and share efficient tools
- Mandatory anyhow for the most exciting astronomical results:
 - Detection of the faintest sources
 - Characterization capability at low SNR (ppm, photometry, spectroscopy,..)
 - False alarm issues, biases and artefacts ?

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Illustrative example: HR4796



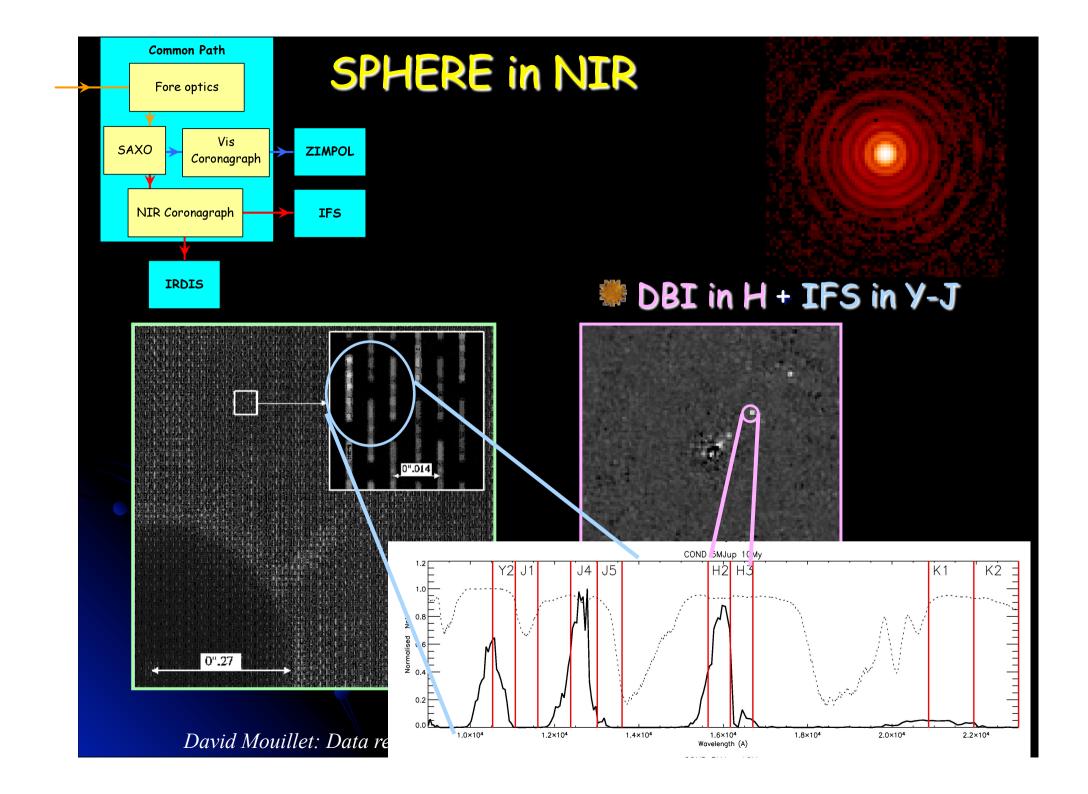
Examples for point-like object observations



A high potential field for Heidelberg – Grenoble collaborations

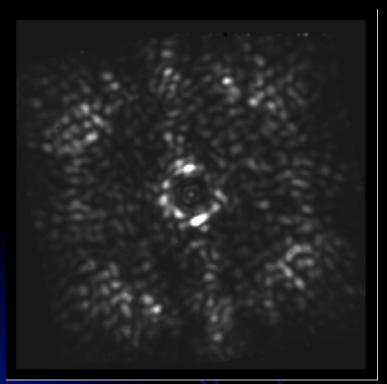
- Crucial step in between instrument development and observation exploitation
- Collaborations are already happening now
- Specific interest in the case of SPHERE

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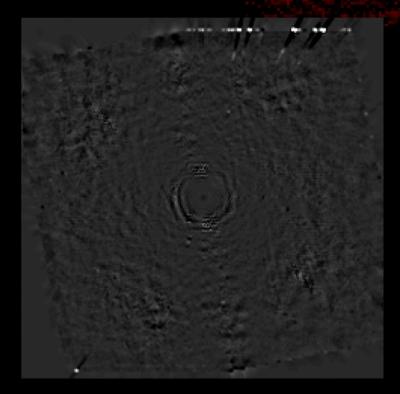




Mesa, Gratton, (september 12)



IFS extracted monochromatic image



Residuals after PSF subtraction At $10^{-6.3}$ 5 σ level

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SPHERE data reduction pipeline

- A robust and consistent software product: high quality for ESO standards, version control, evolution potential, wide use in the community
- From raw data to reduced data for all obs modes
- + including some « data analysis »
- Developped in-time and along the instrument development
- « astronomer-friendly »: options, intermediate output products

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SPHERE (and others) data reduction

- = the best possible by now...
- ... But much more to come !!
 - To complete the current purposes according to actual data
 - To add new tools for better use of astronomical information : better efficiency and quality
 - Biases, false alarm, photometry, spectrum extraction, astrometry
 - To remain at the cutting-edge performance of signal extraction: observing learning curve, new algorithms

Heidelberg - Grenoble as the ideal collaboration basis

- Based on experience and building up on current investment
- Combining expertise on instrument, pipeline and observations
- With high ambition on breaking-through results
- Involving astronomers, engineers and technical infrastructure

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