



Detection and Characterization of Extra-Solar Planets

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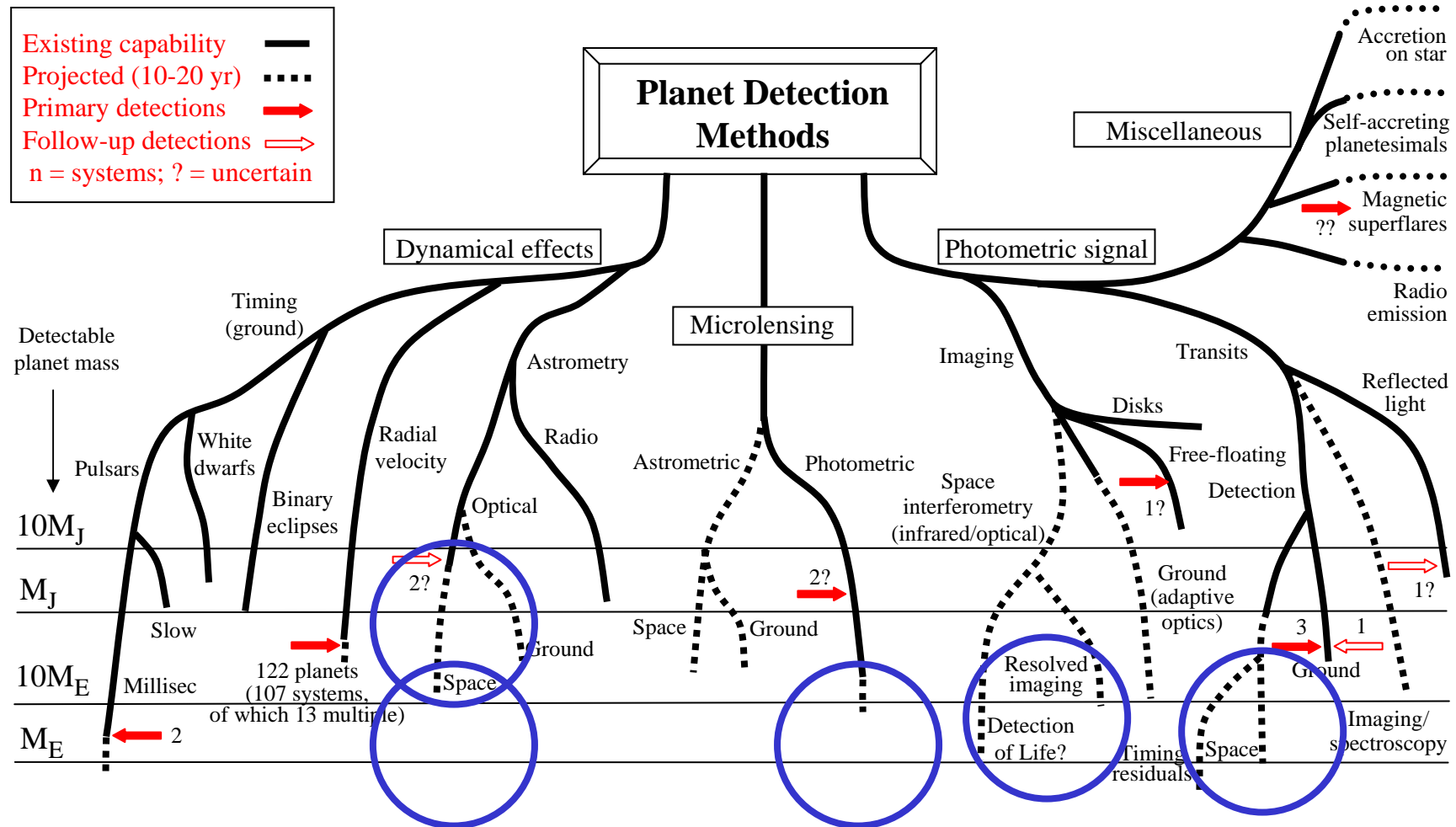
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Planet Detection Methods

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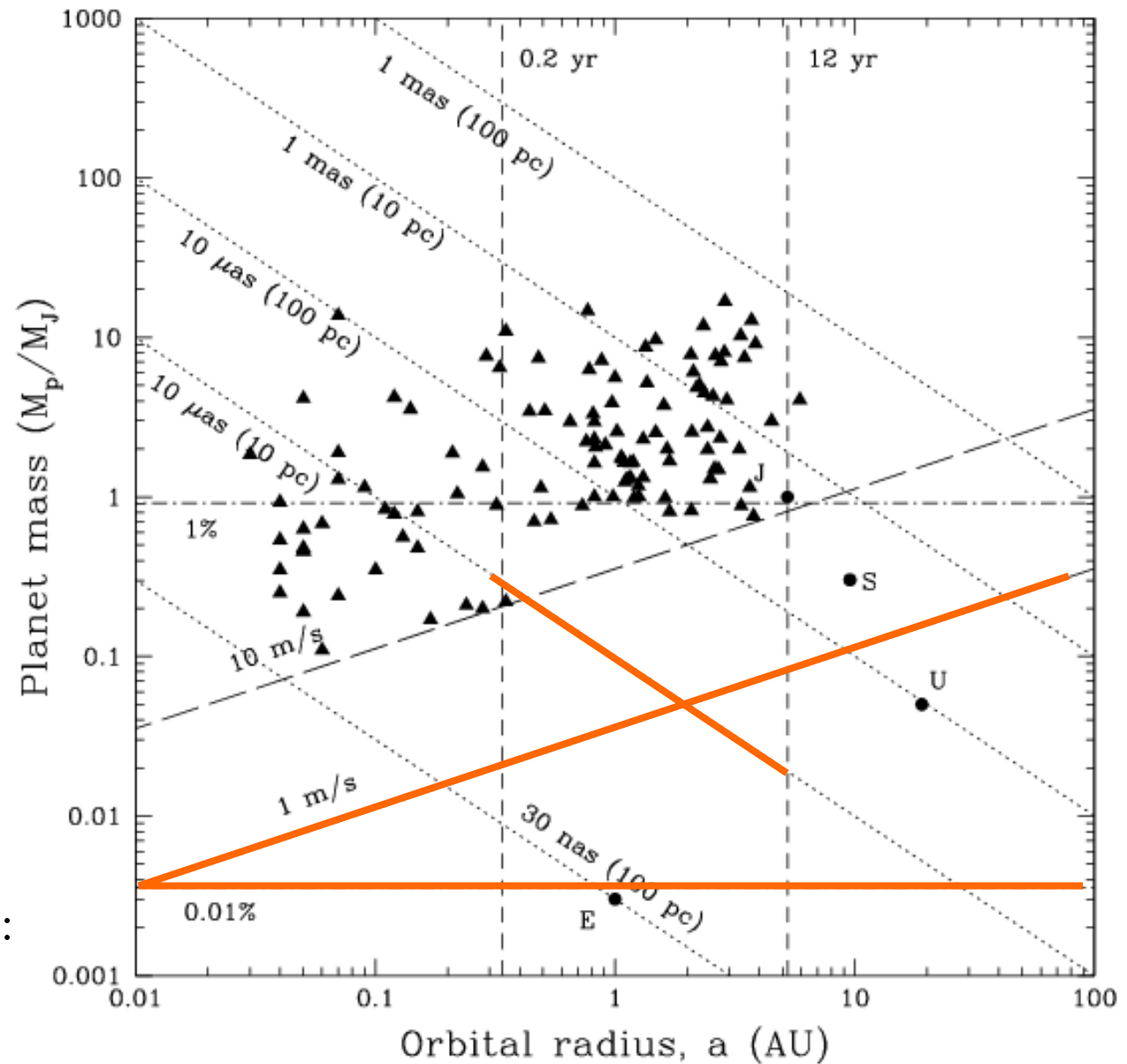
What will not be covered...

- Observations of protostellar disks, formation, evolution, migration, stability, etc
- Review of ground-based surveys:
 - radial velocity: 15 ongoing 3 planned
 - transit: 13 2
 - micro-lensing: 5 -
 - imaging (detection): 2 8
 - radio: 2 (+ pulsar) -
 - astrometry: 1 2
- Space observations by HST, Spitzer, JWST
- Capabilities of OWL/ELT (see talk by Hainaut)

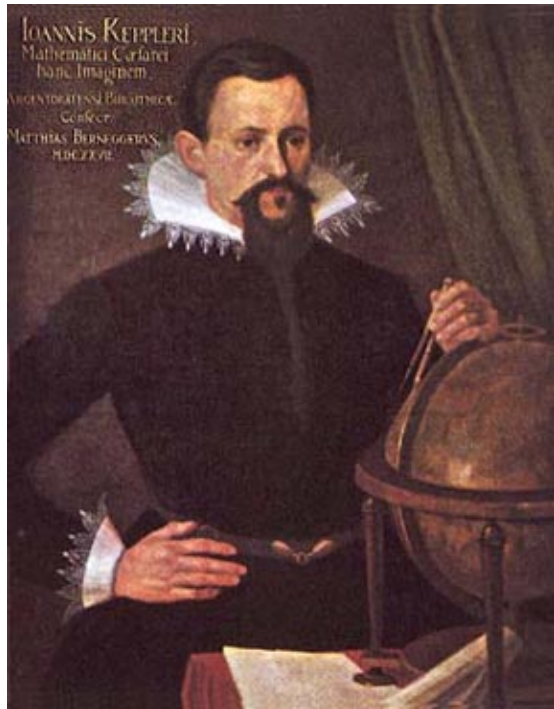
Detection domains:

- radial velocities
- astrometry
- transits
- Not shown:
 - imaging/detection
 - lensing

These address different
types of objects, with
at least two different goals:
formation; habitability



MOST: launched June 2003, 15cm
(‘working beautifully’, results soon...)
COROT: launch planned June 2006
HST bulge: Sahu 100-200 expected



Launch: Oct 2007

<http://www.kepler.arc.nasa.gov/>

Kepler (NASA)

Method:

- high precision, long-duration photometry
- 1 m telescope, 12° field
- 10^5 main sequence stars, $V < 14$ mag

Objectives:

- photometric transits for Earth-like objects

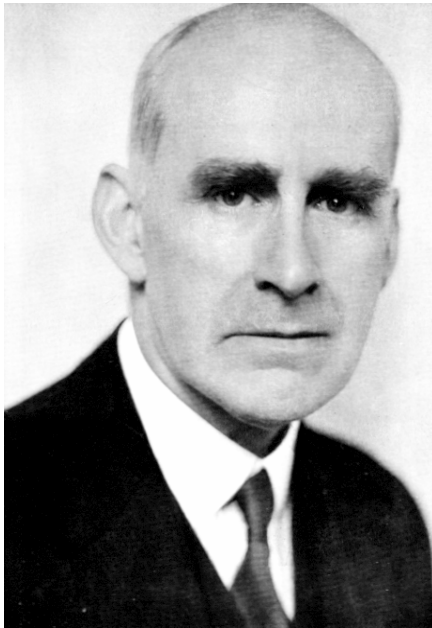
Results:

- **terrestrial inner-orbit transits:**
 - 50/185/640 with $R \sim 1.0/1.3/2.2 R_{\text{Earth}}$
- **giant inner planets from reflected light:**
 - ~ 870 planets with $P < 1$ week
- **giant planet transits:**
 - 135 inner-orbit planets + 30 outer orbit

To note:

- sensitive to acceptable S/N
- monochromatic observations

Eddington (ESA)



Launch: TBC

<http://www.rssd.esa.int/Eddington>

Method:

- high precision, long-duration photometry
- 1.2 m telescope, 3° field
- 5×10^5 stars, $V < 18$ mag

Objectives:

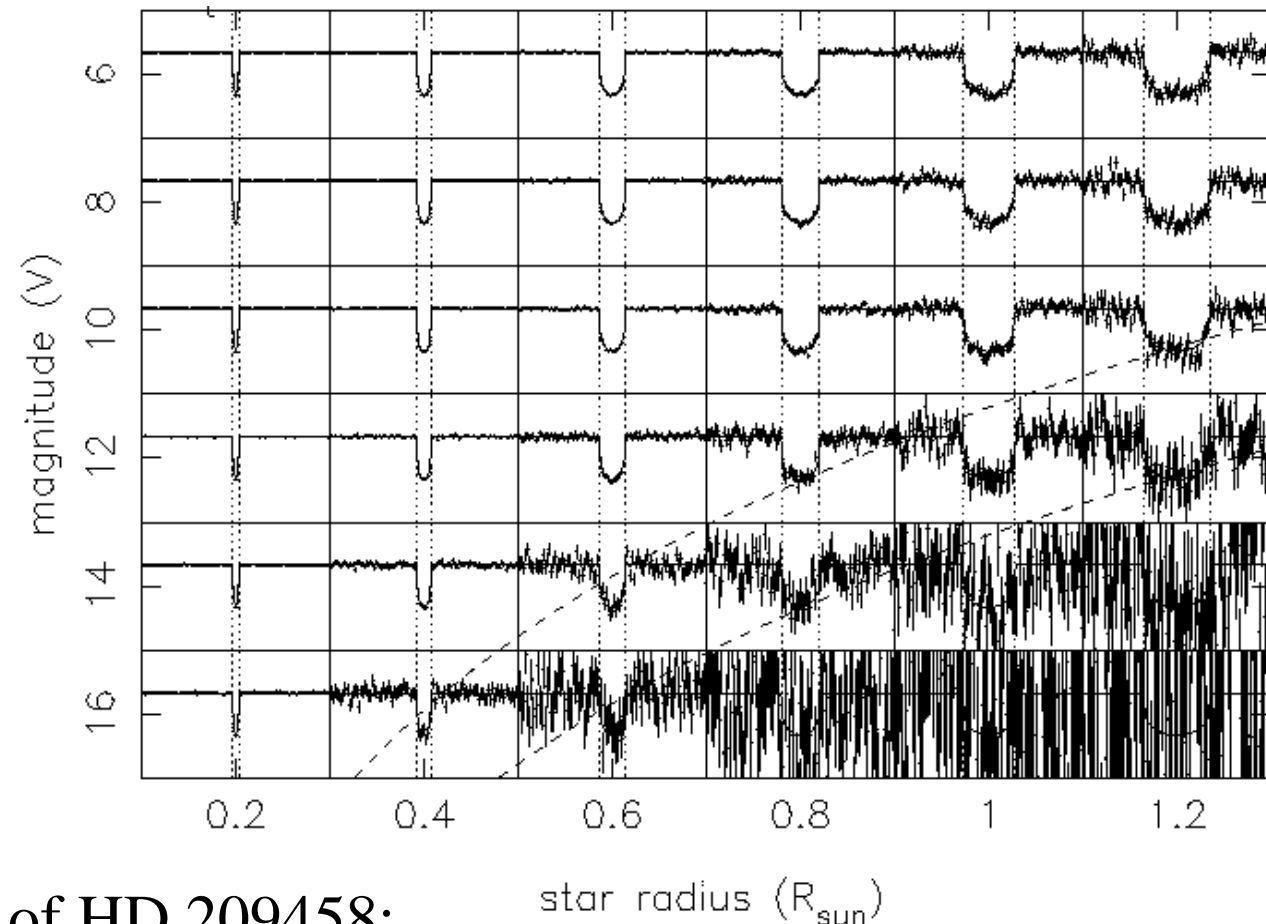
- asteroseismology + photometric transits

Results:

- **20,000 planets with $R < 15 R_{\text{Earth}}$**
- **2000 terrestrial planets**
- **dozens of Earth-like planets**

- Approved: 2002
- Cancelled: Nov 2003
- Studies continue in context of future options

Transits of habitable Earths



Physical diagnostics of HD 209458:

- detection of sodium (Charbonneau et al 2003)
- extended hydrogen exosphere (Vidal-Madjar et al 2003)
- detection of O and C (Vidal-Madjar et al 2004)
- search for CO (Brown et al 2002, Deming et al); water (Rojo et al)

Gaia (ESA)

Method:

- astrometry, Hipparcos principles
- two $1.4 \times 0.5 \text{ m}^2$ mirrors + CCDs
- continuous 'revolving' sky scanning
- 5-year observations: 100 epochs per star

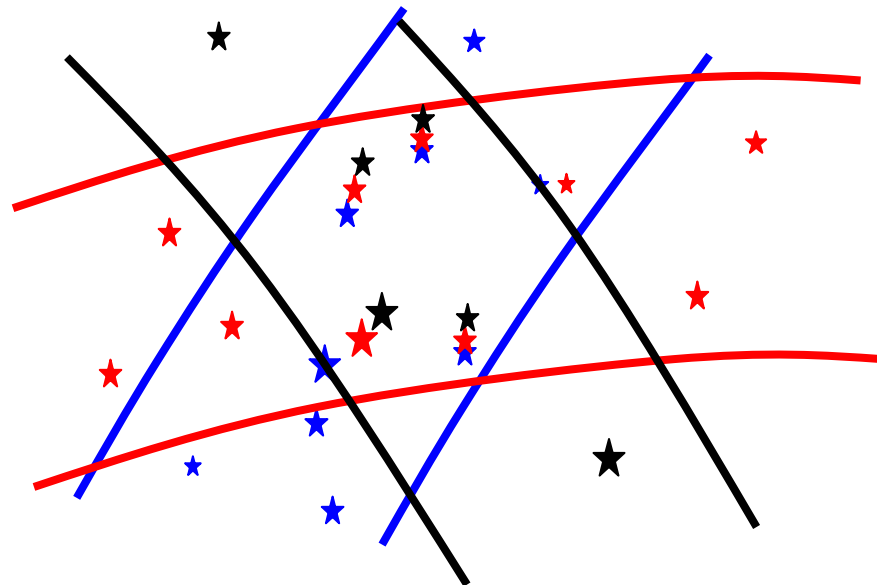
Objectives:

- distances + motions for 10^9 stars
- 10-20 microarcsec at 15 mag
- structure and evolution of Galaxy



Launch: 2010

<http://www.rssd.esa.int/GAIA>

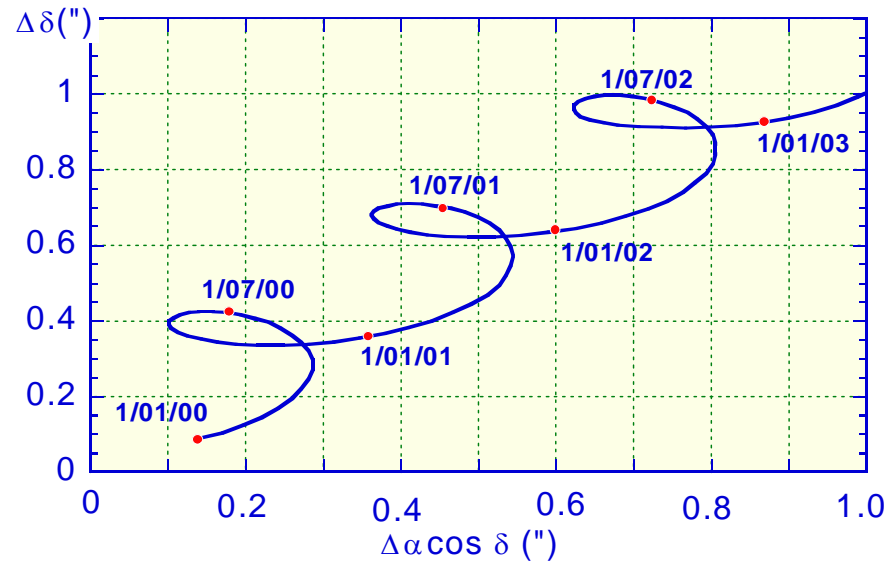


Gaia: Planet motions

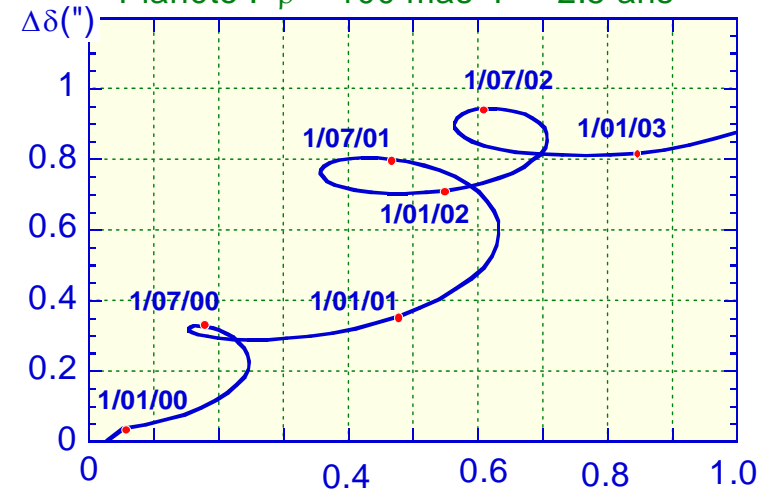
$\mu \sim 250$ milliarcsec/year

$\pi \sim 100$ milliarcsec

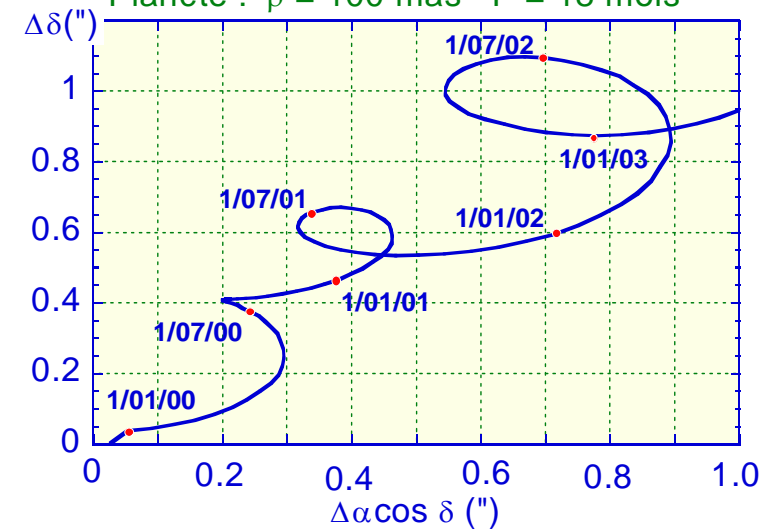
Single star



Planète : $\rho = 100$ mas $P = 2.5$ ans



Planète : $\rho = 100$ mas $P = 18$ mois



... and their resulting astrometric signatures

$$\alpha = \left(\frac{M_p}{M_s} \right) \left(\frac{a_p}{d} \right)$$

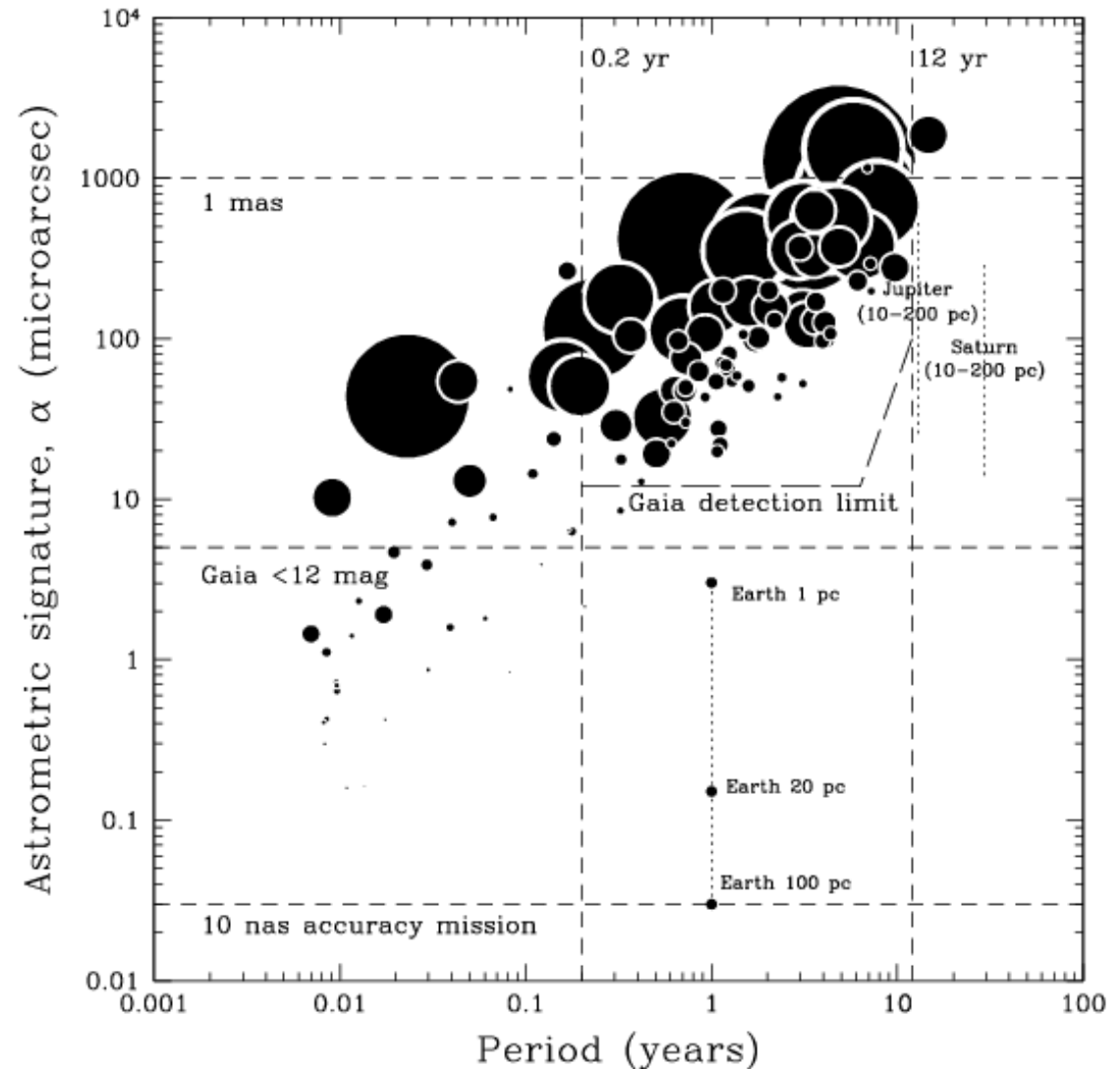
... α in arcsec if a in AU
and d in pc

At 10 pc:

Jupiter: 500 μ arcsec

10 Earth: 3 μ arcsec

Earth: 0.3 μ arcsec



Gaia: Expected Astrometric Discoveries

- Survey to 150–200 pc:
 - complete census of all stellar types; periods in range 2–9 years
 - primarily sensitive to Jupiter-type systems
- Large-scale detection and physical characterisation:
 - detection of 20–30,000 planetary systems
 - masses, rather than lower limits ($M \times \sin i$)
 - orbits for ≈ 5000 systems + multiple systems: relative inclinations
 - mass down to $10 M_{\text{Earth}}$ to 10 pc
- Photometric events:
 - transits: ~ 4000 ‘hot-Jupiters’ possible
 - planetary collisions: Zhang, ApJ2003, 596, L95: 2×10^9 * for 1 year

SIM (NASA)



Launch: 2009

Mission:

- pointed interferometer
- baseline: 10 m

Objectives:

- astrometric detection
- 1-4 microarcsec to 20 mag
- survey: thousands of stars
- detailed orbits
- **planet programmes:**
 - **50 epochs \times 1 hour each**
 - **250 stars at 1 microarcsec**
 - **2000 stars at 4 microarcsec**

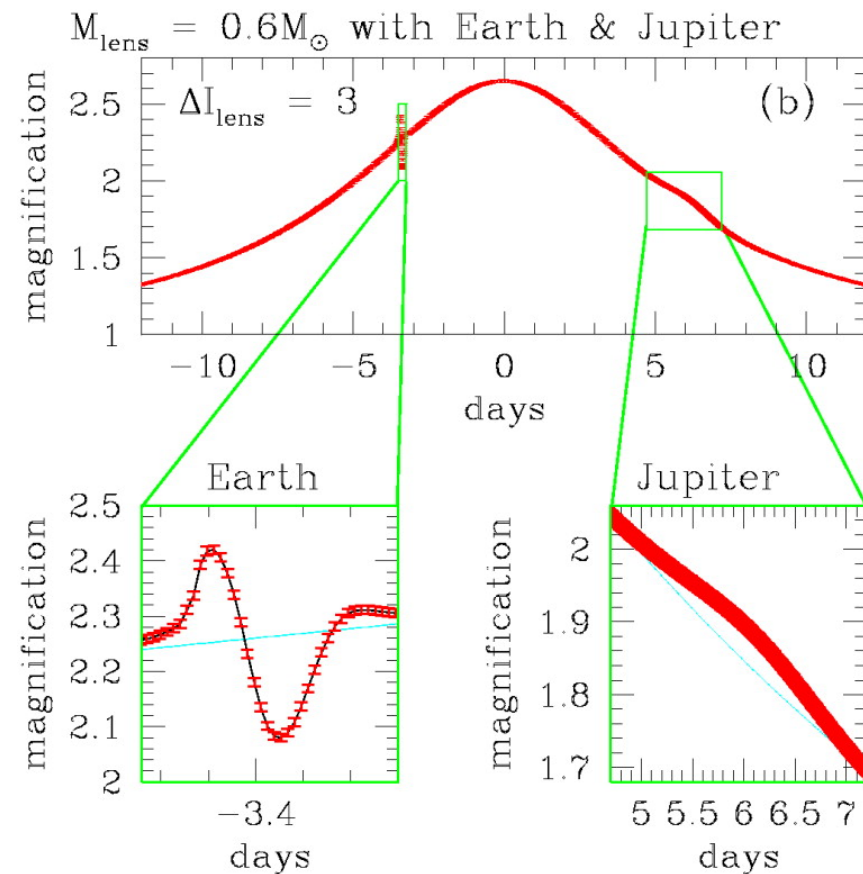
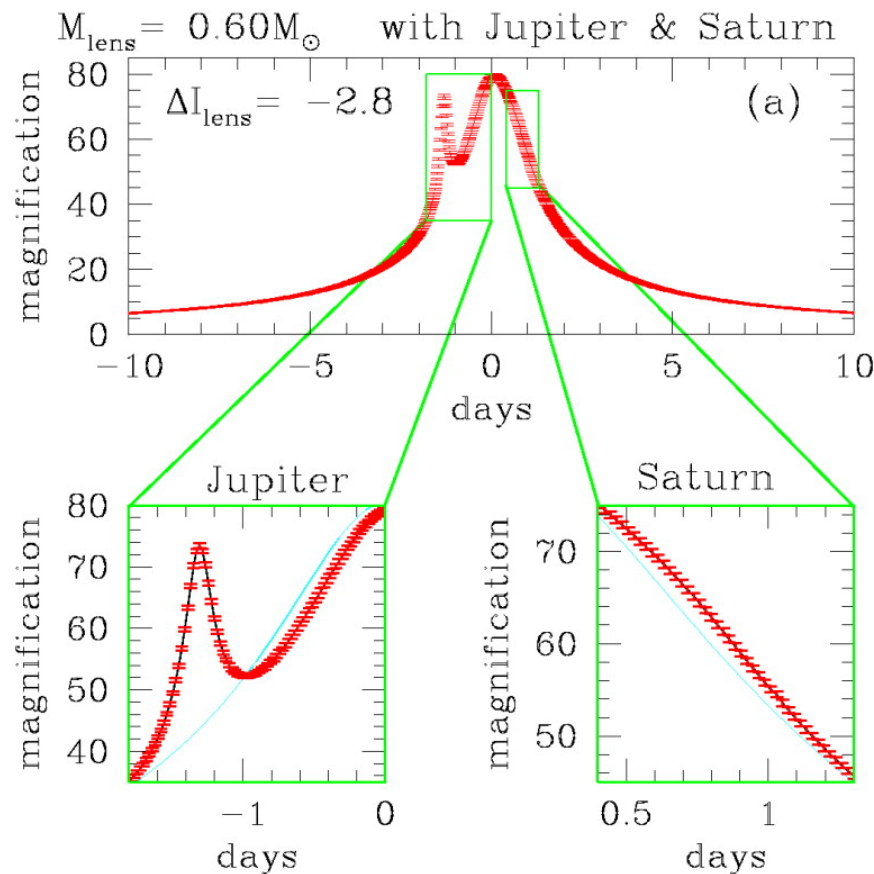
GEST

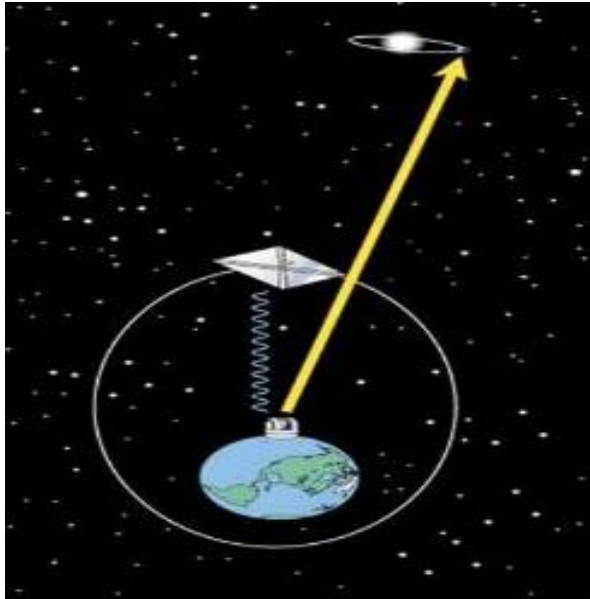
- microlensing
- 1.5 m aperture
- 1.25° field
- targets: 10^8 distant, bulge main-sequence stars

Objectives:

- **~100 Mars-Earth mass between 0.7-10 AU**
- **free-floaters (if by-products of formation)**
- **50,000 giant planets via transits**

Status: not selected in 2002 Discovery, but re-proposal expected in 2004





BOSS (and UMBRAS, CORVET, NOME)

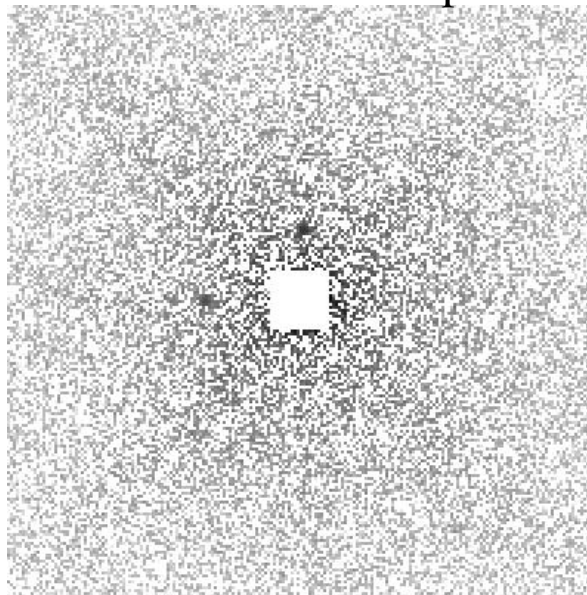
Concept: Big Occulting Steerable Satellite

- e.g. $70 \times 70 \text{ m}^2$ occulting screen
- solar sailing + ion/chemical propulsion
- e.g. used in conjunction with JWST at L2
- Copi & Starkman 2000, ApJ 532, 581
- but: TPF focusing on interferometry/coronagraphy

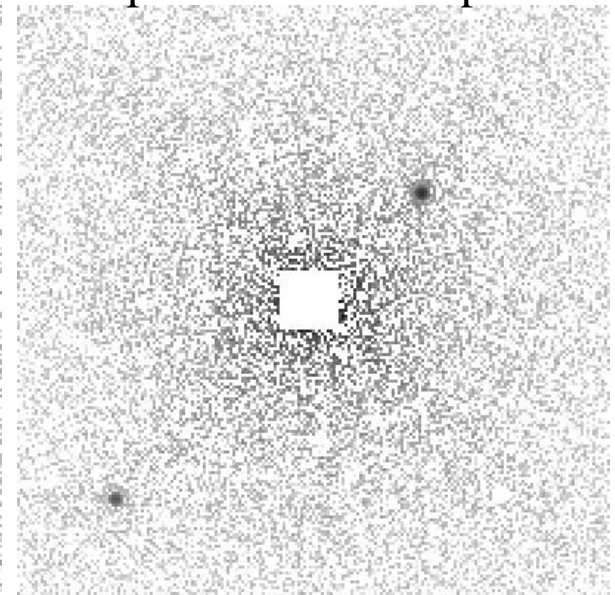
Results (C&S 2000):

- $2 \times 2 \text{ arcsec}^2$ ‘solar systems’
- $\lambda = 1 \mu\text{m}$
- 8m telescope, $t = 3000\text{s}$
- separations of $0.1\text{--}0.2 \text{ arcsec}$
- 10^{-9} at 8 mag

Venus/Earth at 3 pc

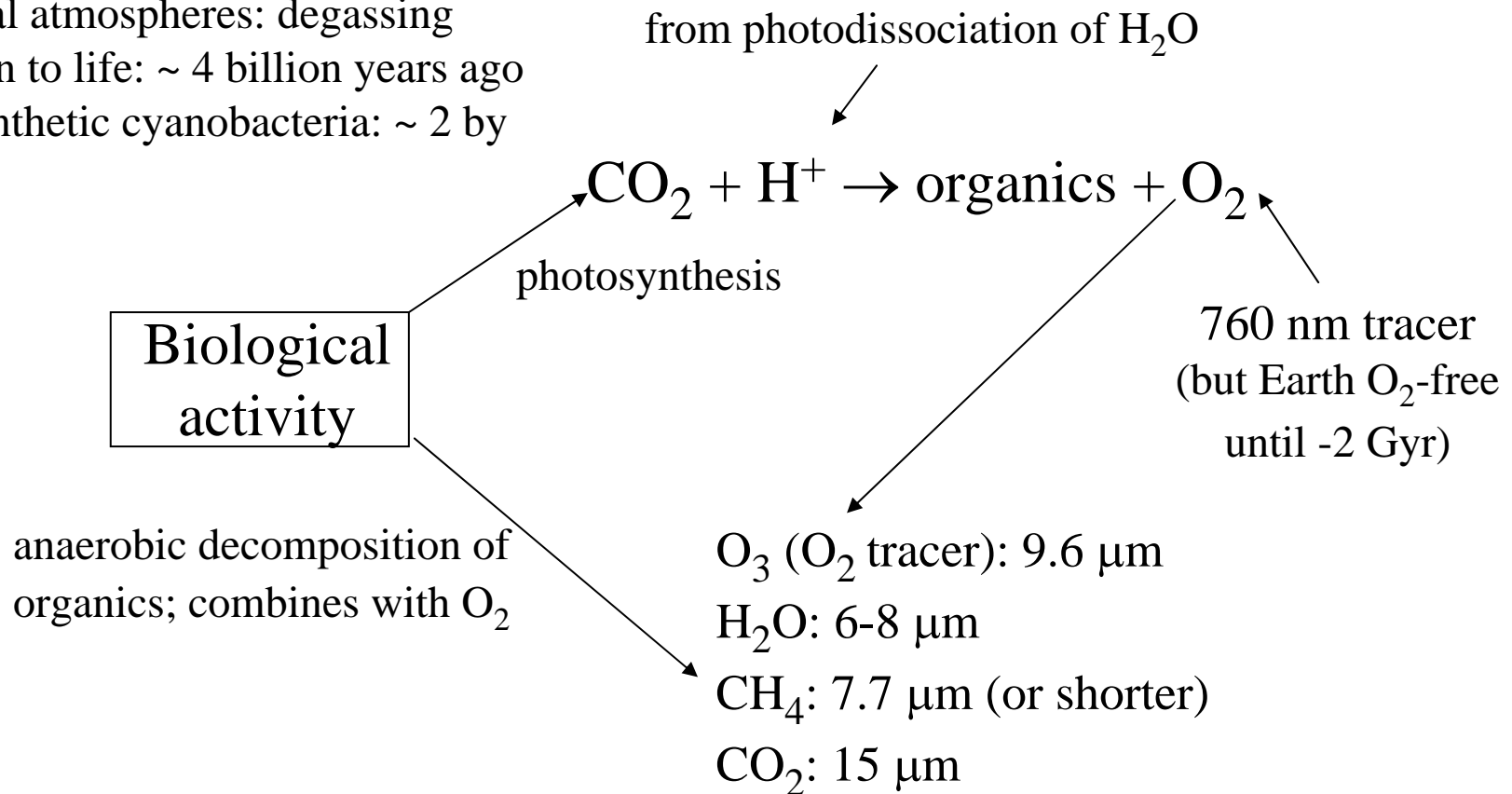


Jupiter/Saturn at 10pc



Biomarkers: a synopsis

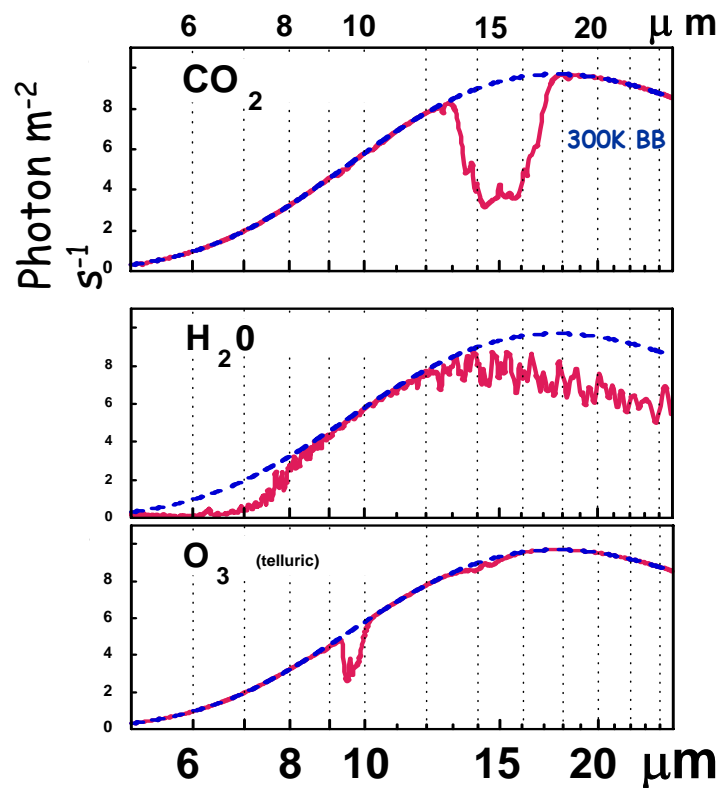
- terrestrial atmospheres: degassing
- transition to life: ~ 4 billion years ago
- photosynthetic cyanobacteria: ~ 2 by



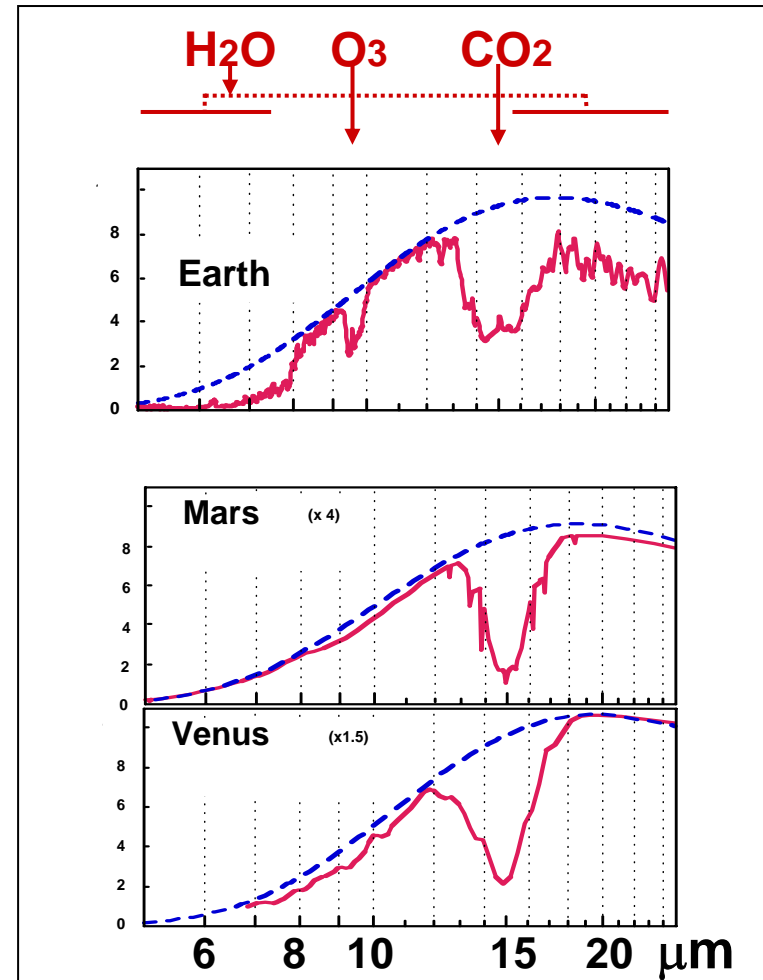
- Absence of $\text{O}_2 \neq$ absence of life
- Simultaneous detection of $\text{CH}_4 + \text{O}_2 \Rightarrow$ life?
- Simultaneous detection of $\text{H}_2\text{O} + \text{O}_3 \Rightarrow$ photosynthesis?
- Detection of vegetation signature?

Characterizing Earths

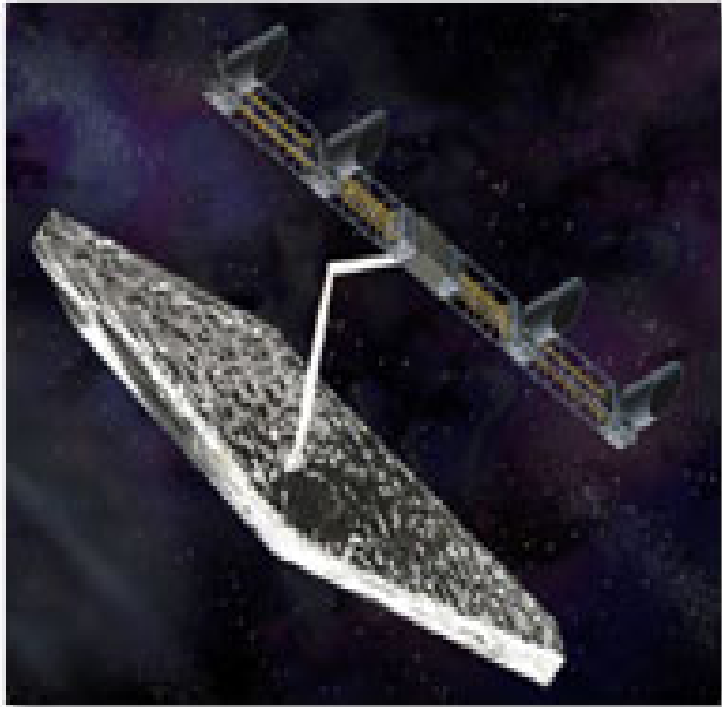
Calculated atmospheric
spectra ($\lambda/\Delta\lambda = 200$)



Observed spectra



TPF (NASA)



Launch:

- precursor (TPF-C): 2014
- free-flying interferometer: <2020

Mission (pre-March 2004):

- instrument choice:
 - IR interferometer (40m²), or...
 - optical coronagraph
- scientific choice: reflected or thermal

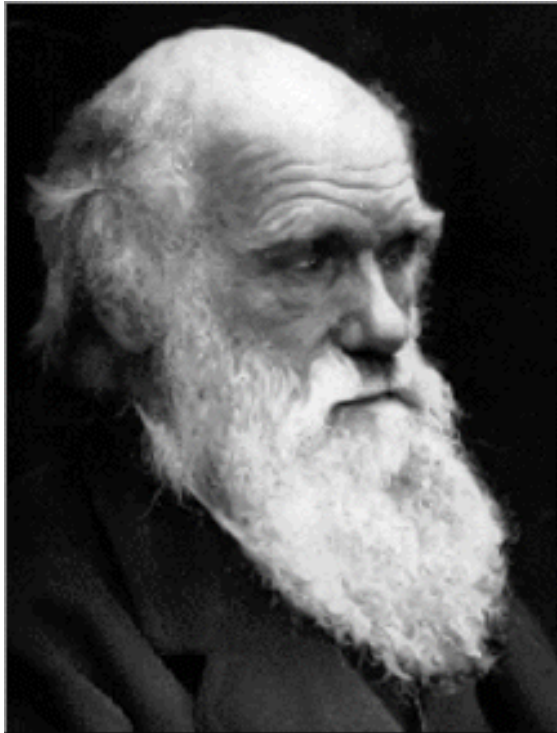
Objectives:

- direct detection of planetary systems
- spectroscopy indicating life
- ozone at 25pc: 2-8 weeks/object

April 2004: NASA announcement:

- 6×3.5m visual coronagraph in 2014:
 - 32 nearby stars full search
 - 130 stars incomplete search
(low p(Earth), but good for Jupiters)
- ESA collaboration for full mission

Darwin_(ESA)



Launch: 2015?

Method:

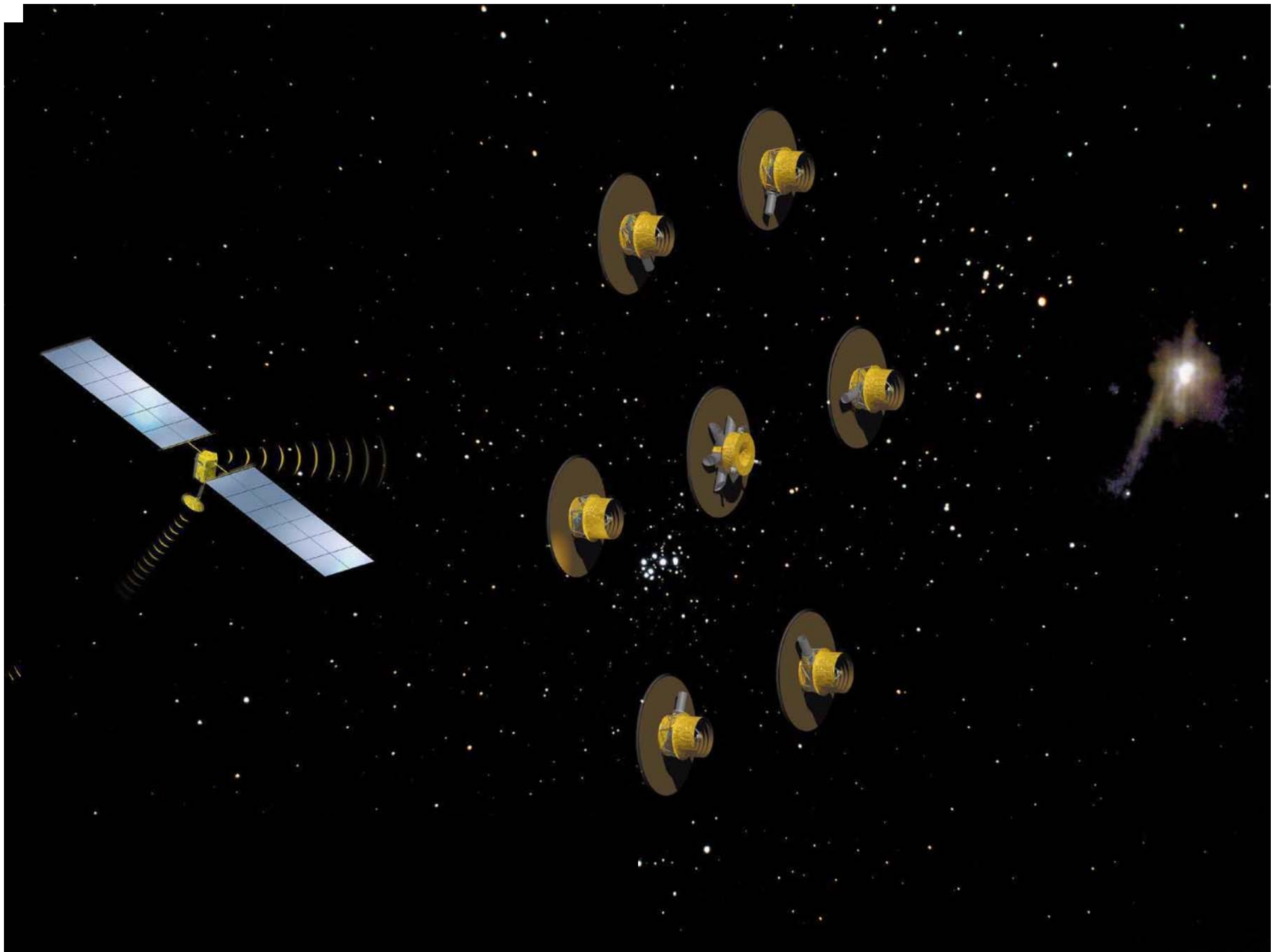
- 20–80 m baseline mid-IR interferometer
- 4×2.5 m (was 6×1.5) telescopes
- star/planet intensity: 10^6 – 10^9

Objectives:

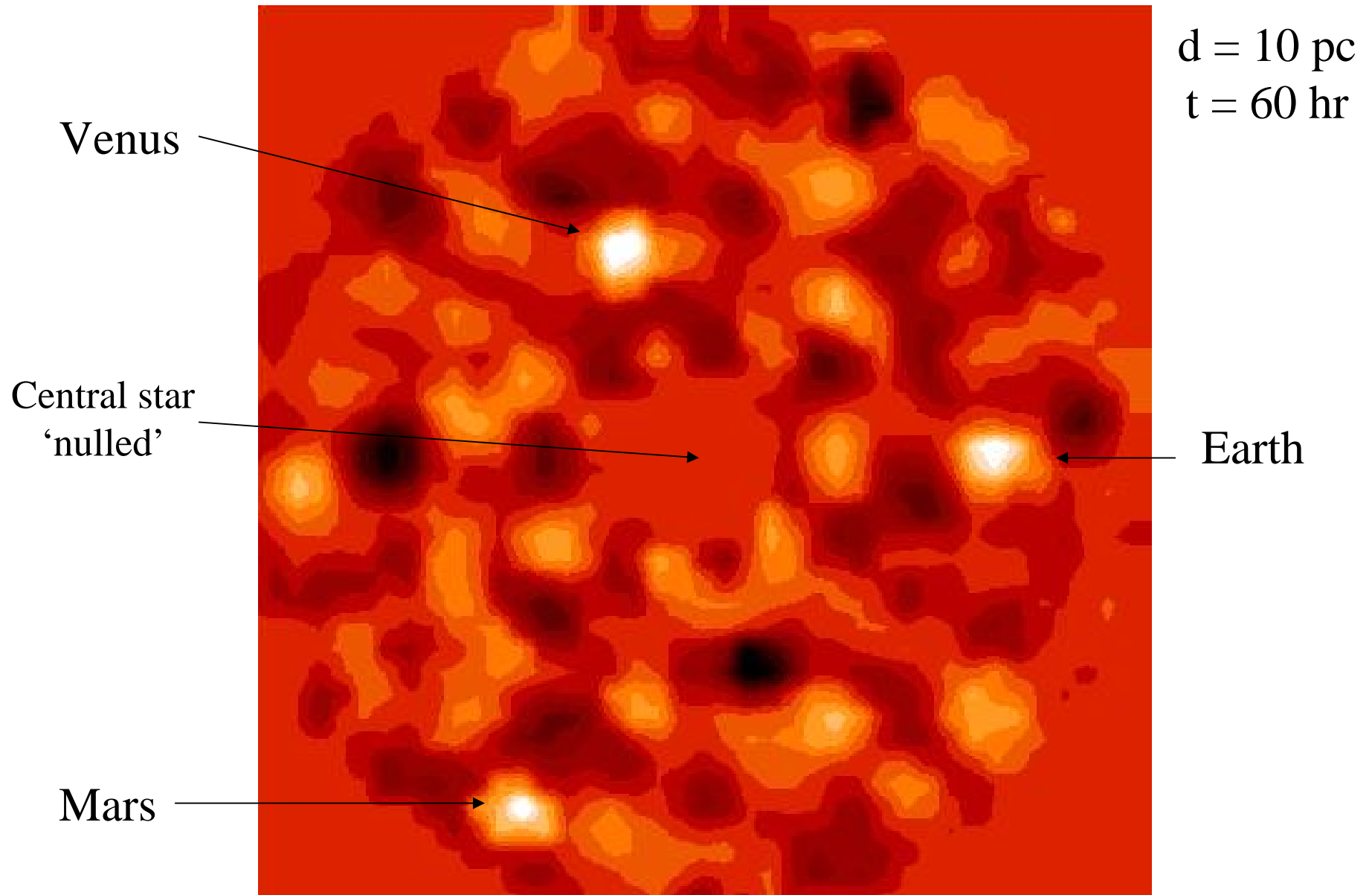
- direct detection
- are Earth-like planets common?
- how do they form?
- detect tracers of life in mid-infrared

Precursors:

- GENIE (ongoing): VLTI nulling interferometer
 - technical precursor, using UTs or ATs, $L=3.6\mu\text{m}$
 - required for pre-launch study of Darwin targets
 - to ESA/ESO 5-7 May, ESO Council late 2004
- SMART-3 (not yet approved): demonstration of formation flying for 2 spacecraft (Darwin/XEUS)




Darwin/TPF detection (Mennesson & Marrioti 1997)



Interferometry vs Coronagraphy

- Science aspect:
 - is reflected (optical or near IR) or thermal (mid-IR) best to characterise planets (albedo, colour, temperature)?
- Instrumental aspect:
 - is an interferometer or coronagraph the ‘best’?
- NASA technology plan for TPF:
 - “Technology readiness, rather than a scientific preference for any wavelength region, will probably be the determining factor in the selection of a final architecture”
- ESA effort (Darwin) is focused on an interferometer
- Many idea for precursors to TPF, especially in US:
 - which are scientifically driven, decoupled from long-term technology?
 - which are mandatory technology precursors?

Unapproved TPF ‘precursors’: missions/concepts

- **Eclipse**: (Trauger et al. 2003) – 2004 Discovery?
 - 1.8 m + coronagraph + wavefront correction – Jupiters to 5 AU for stars to 15 pc
 - **JPF**: Jovian planet finder (Clampin et al. 2002) – 2004 Discovery?
 - 1.5 m + coronagraph, originally on ISS – Jupiters to 2-20 AU
 - **ESPI**: Extrasolar planet imager, Midex, (Lyon et al. 2003)
 - 1.5×1.5 m apodized square aperture – Jupiters around 160 stars to 16 pc
 - **ExPO**: Extrasolar planet observatory (Gezari et al. 2003)
 - similar concept to ESPI proposed as Discovery class mission
 - **SPF**: Self-luminous planet finder (Woolf et al. 2001)
 - search for younger/more massive Jupiters in Jupiter orbits
 - **FKSI**: Fourier-Kelvin stellar interferometer (Danchi et al. 2003)
 - mid-infrared nulling interferometer: detection of 25 EGPs within 10 pc
 - **OPD**: Optical planet discoverer (Mennesson et al. 2003)
 - midway between coronagraphy and Bracewell nulling
 - **PIAA**: Phase-induced amplitude apodization (Guyon 2003)
 - reflection of an unapodized flat wavefront on two shaped mirrors
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Detection capabilities: Earth at 10pc (Angel 2003)

$[\Delta\theta=0.1 \text{ arcsec}, t=24 \text{ hr}, QE=0.2, \Delta\lambda/\lambda=0.2]$

Telescope	Size	λ (μm)	Mode	S/N	Comment
Darwin/TPF-I	$4 \times 2 \text{ m}$	11	N	8	
TPF-C	3.5 m	0.5	C	11	Typical launcher fairing diameter
“	7 m	0.8	C	5–34	
Antarctic	21 m	11	N	0.5	
		0.8	C	6	
CELT, GMT	30 m	11	N	0.3	30m too small at 11 μm with coronagraph
		0.8	C	4	
OWL	100 m	11	C	4	Large Φ for IR coronagraphic suppression
		0.8	C	46	Optical spectroscopy possible
Antarctic OWL	100 m	11	C	17	Comparable to Darwin/TPF
		0.8	C	90	Water bands at 1.1 and 1.4 μm feasible

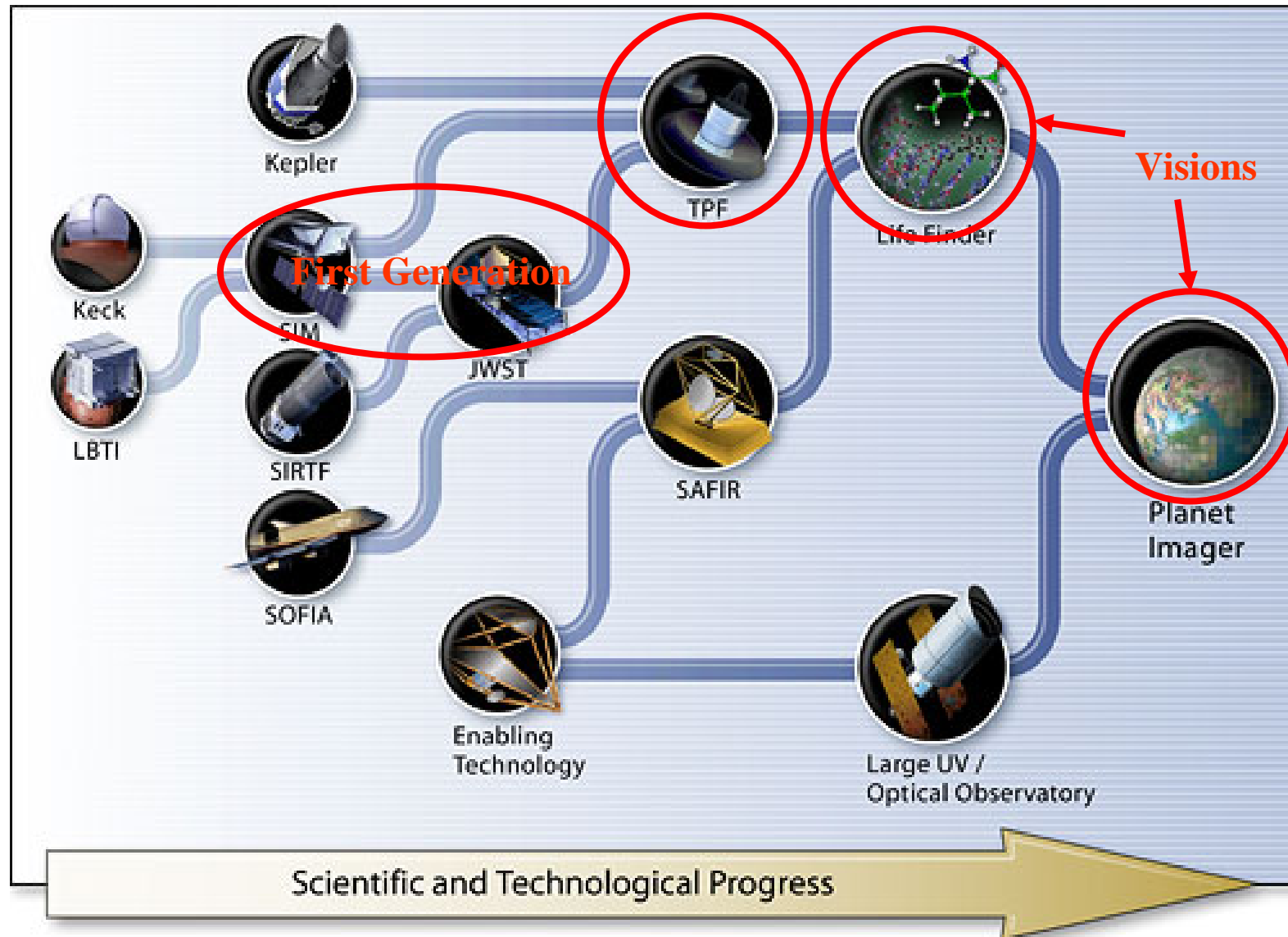
Background = thermal, zodiacal (unknown density), stellar

N = null, C = coronagraph

Ground results assume long-term average, fast atmospheric correction

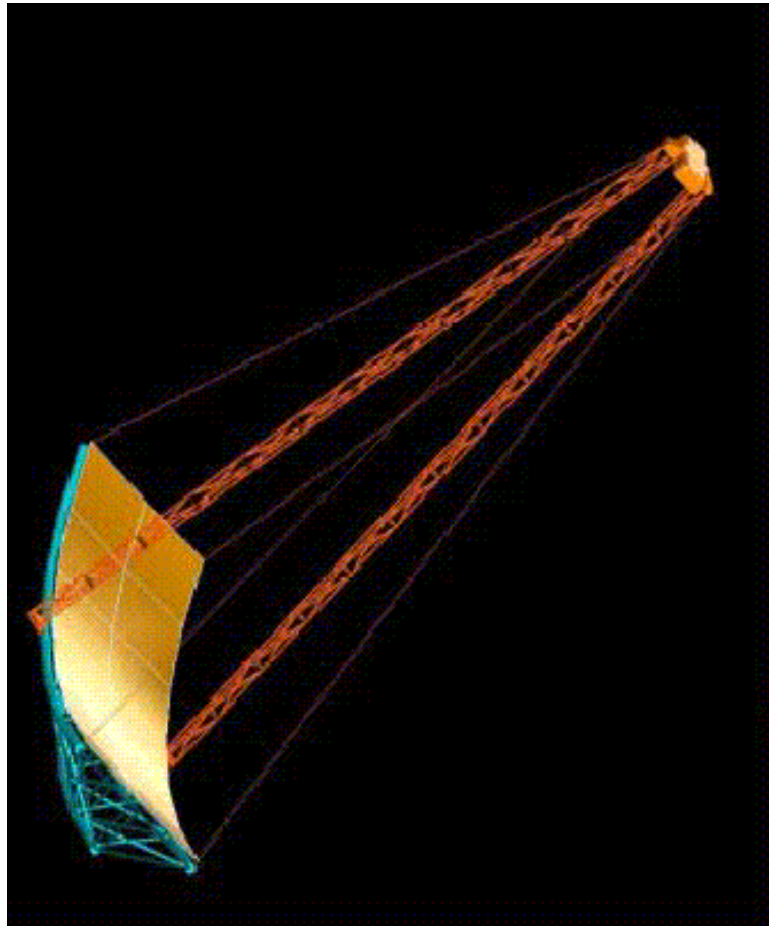
NASA's Origins development

Second Generation



Life Finder

Mini Life Finder (Woolf et al 2001)
50 x 10 m², 10 tons (optics+structure)



<http://www.niac.usra.edu>

Objectives: confirm evidence of life revealed by TPF/Darwin (e.g. oxygen/methane or ‘vegetation signature’). Targets are as faint as HDF galaxies, in star glare at 0.1 arcsec

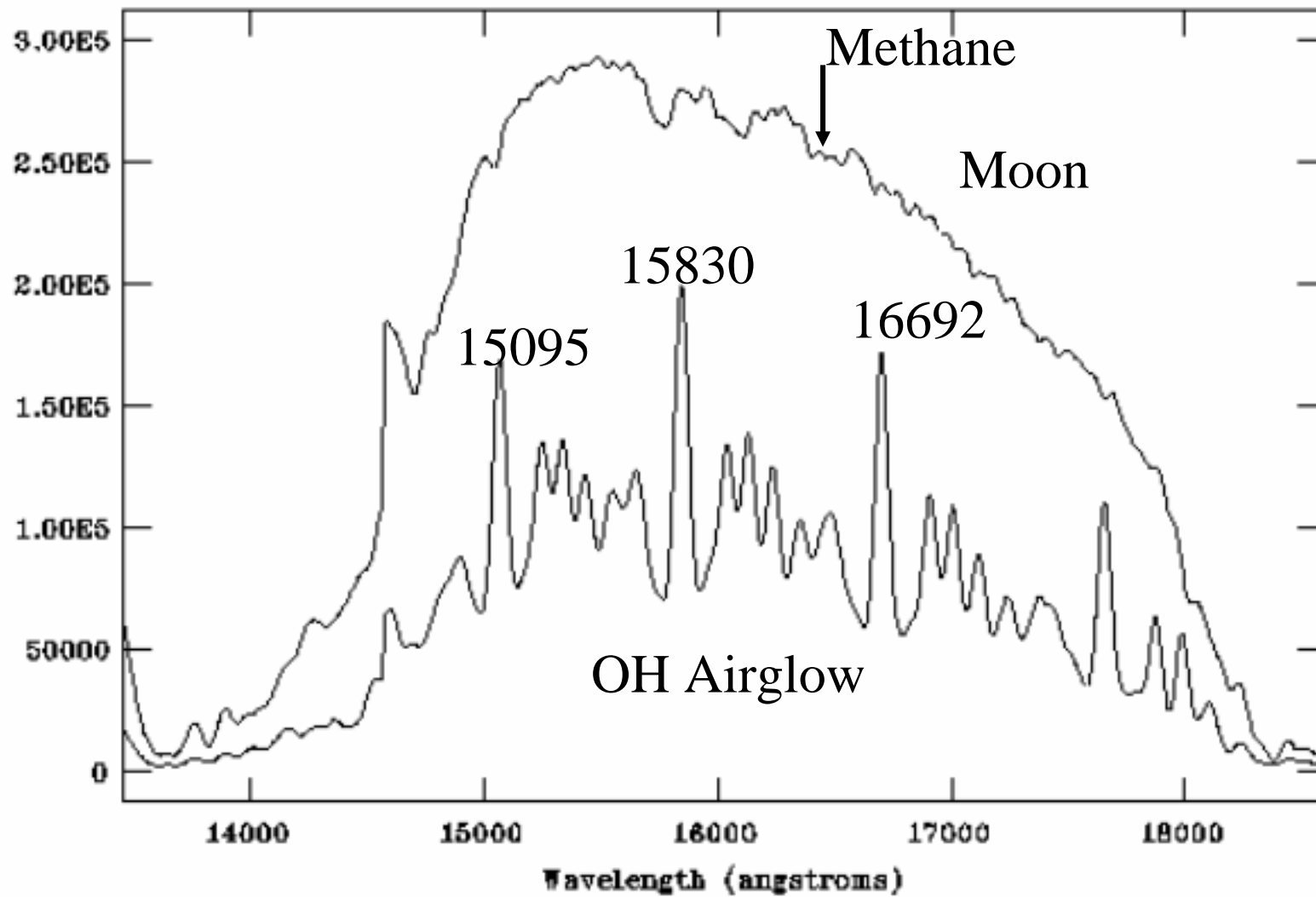
Developments needed:

- lower mass, better wavefront optics
- pointing/sunshield/vibration damping
- cooling, orbit control
- space assembly: costs $\propto D^3$

Requirements (how big is needed?):

- **for 7.6 μm methane (50m² for TPF):**
 - **220 m² (5 \times 8m) at $d = 3.5$ pc**
 - **4000 m² (80 \times 8m) at only $d = 15$ pc**

NOAO/IRAF V2.12.1-EXPORT ngorlova@cepheis.as.arizona.edu Fri 17:33:18 12-
Separation step = 0.



Labeyrie (1999):

- 150×3 m diameter mirrors over 150 km
- densified free-flying ‘hypertelescope’
- detect Amazon ‘green spots’ at 3 pc

Densified exit pupil: exit pupil has sub-pupils with larger relative size than sub-apertures in the entrance pupil

Simulations (Riaud et al 2002):

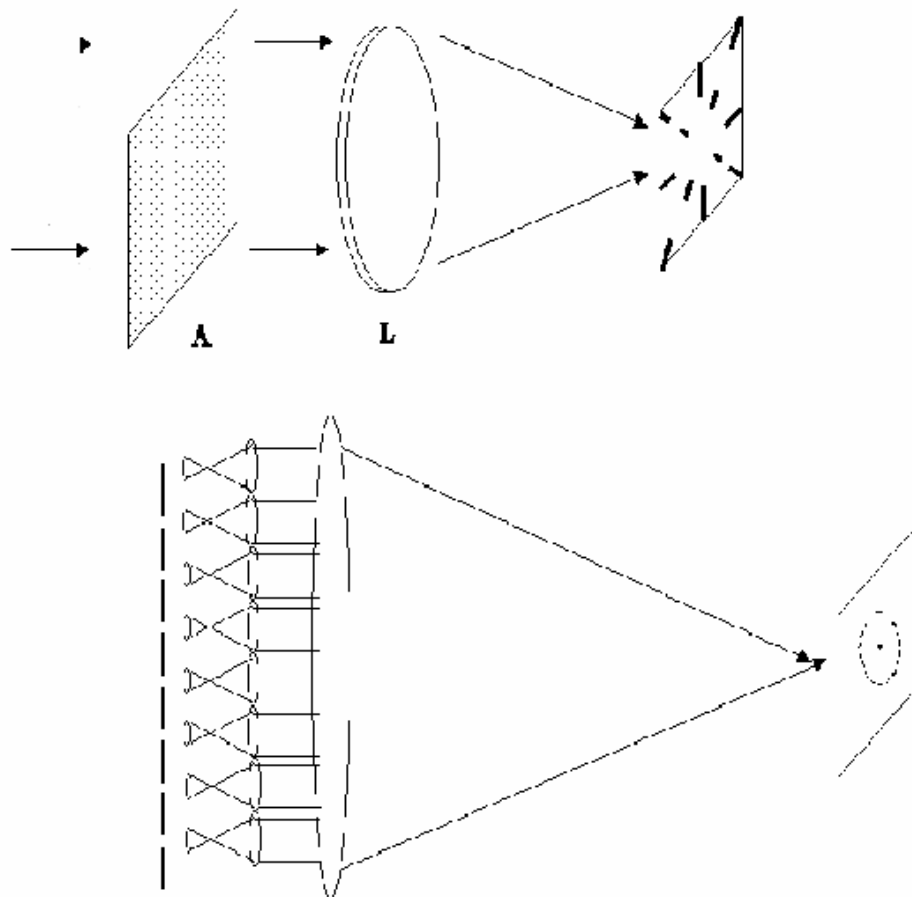
- 37×60 cm infrared telescopes
- baseline = 80 m
- 389 M5-F0 stars < 25 pc
- zodiacal + exo-zodiacal light
- 10-hour ‘snapshots’

Results:

- Earth-like planet detected around 73%

Ground-based imaging:

- Carlina (OVLA-type)
- VIDA: densified pupils on VLTI
- ALIRA: Atacama large IR array
- Antarctic Plateau Interferometer



Earth Imager: imaging of Earth-type planets

- Bender & Stebbins (1996):
 - 10×10 resolution elements across ‘Earth’ at 10 pc:
 - 15–25 spacecraft (telescopes) each of 10 m diameter, spread over 200 km
 - image re-constructi on uncertainties (rotation, variable cloud cover, etc)
(Cho & Seager 2004: large-scale atmospheric flow, coupling of land and ocean, and implications for habitability)
 - 100×100 resolution elements:
 - 150–200 spacecraft distributed over 2000 km, integration time: 10 years
- Labeyrie et al. (1999)
 - Epicurus: extra-solar earth imager, submitted to ESA F2/F3 AO
- Woolf et al (2001):
 - ~50-100 Life Finders, operating in an interferometric array
- The consensus:
 - ‘daunting’, ‘monstrously difficult’, ‘unjustifiable’
 - costs: $50\text{-}100 \times (>> \$2 \text{ billion})$, ‘dwarfing Apollo’

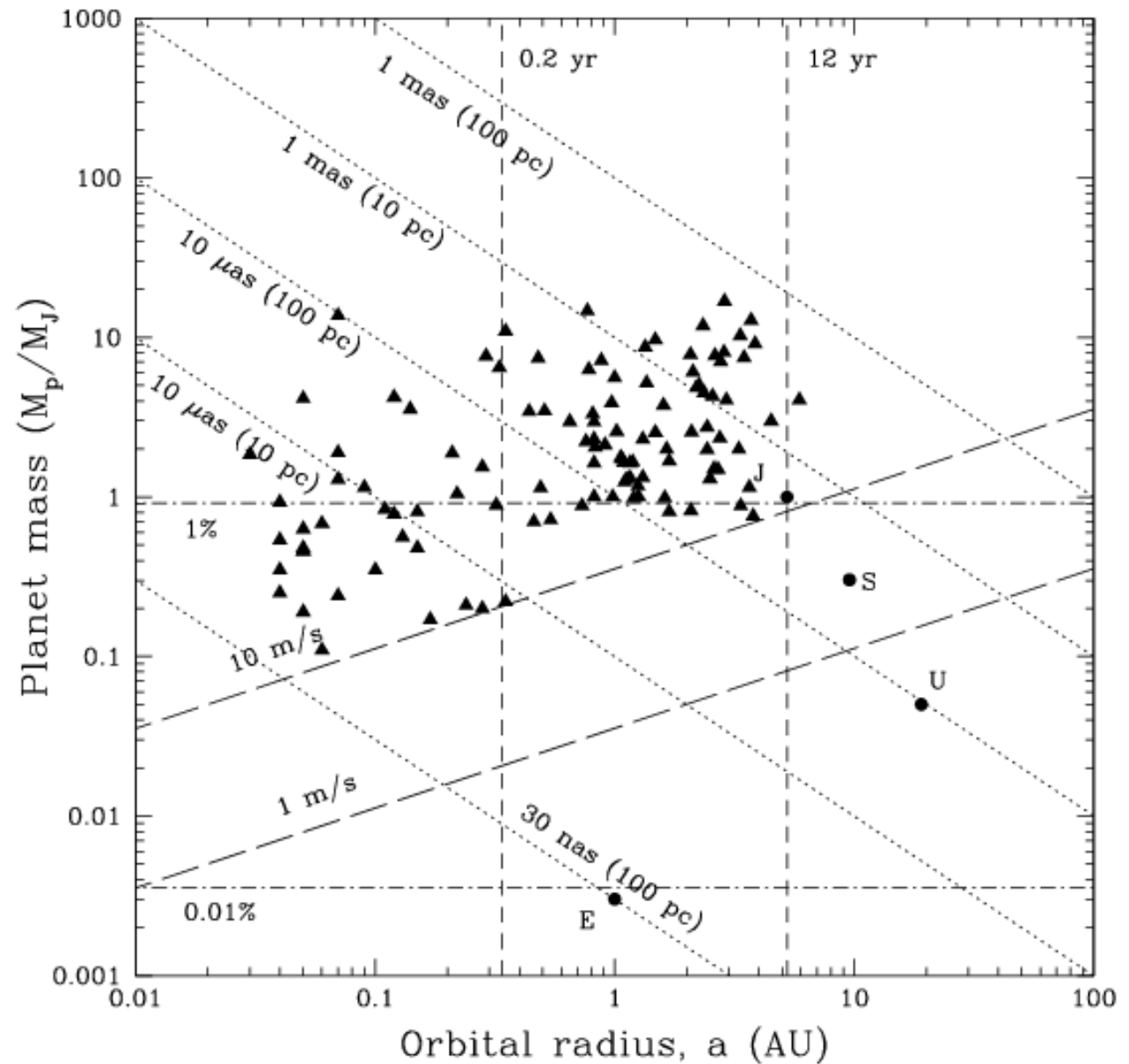
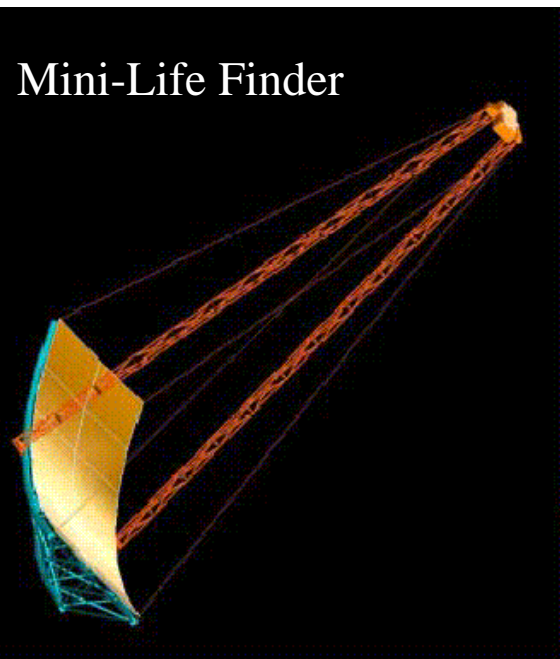
Nanoarcsec Astrometry

Earth at 100pc: 30 nas
Mission: 10 nas

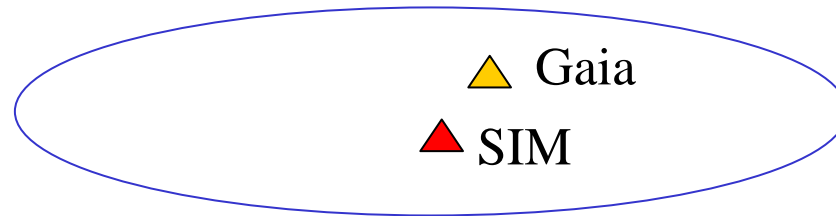
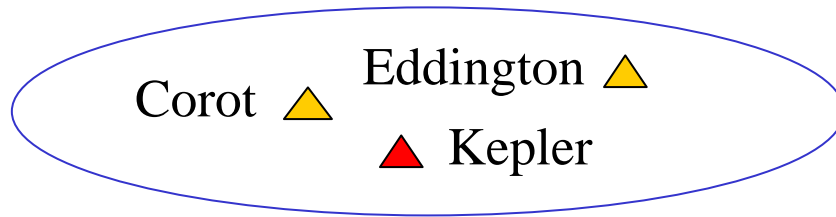
$$\sigma \propto D^{-3/2} \times H^{-1/2}$$

\Rightarrow 50m \times 10m aperture

\Rightarrow focal length: 1600m



Schedule



Very large telescopes
(CELT, OWL) →

Very large space
arrays →

- ▲ Europe
- ▲ US

Summary

- Statistics – formation & habitability (2008-2012):
 - Kepler/[Eddington]: several thousand, several hundred habitable zone
 - Gaia: astrometry: ~ 20,000 Jupiters (P~years) + 5000 photometric
 - [GEST]: lensing + transits, including free-floating planets
- Detection (‘imaging’) of specific systems (2015-20):
 - TPF/Darwin: few Earths in habitable zone to 20–30 pc
- Distant Visions:
 - Life Finder (confirmation of life): ‘very challenging’
 - Planet Imager (resolving surface): ‘monstrously difficult’

END