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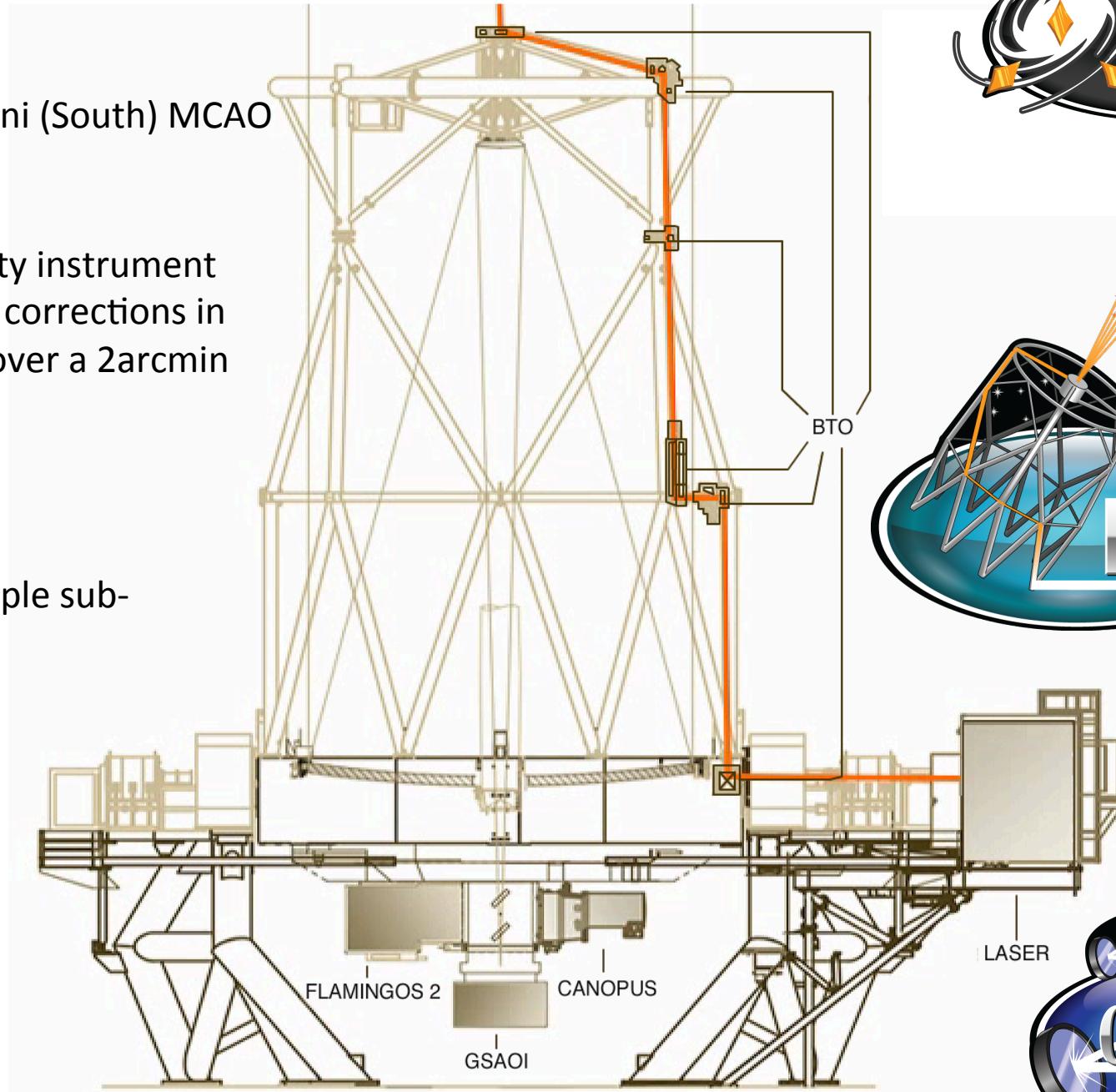
Introduction to GeMS
Future science with NIR MCAO

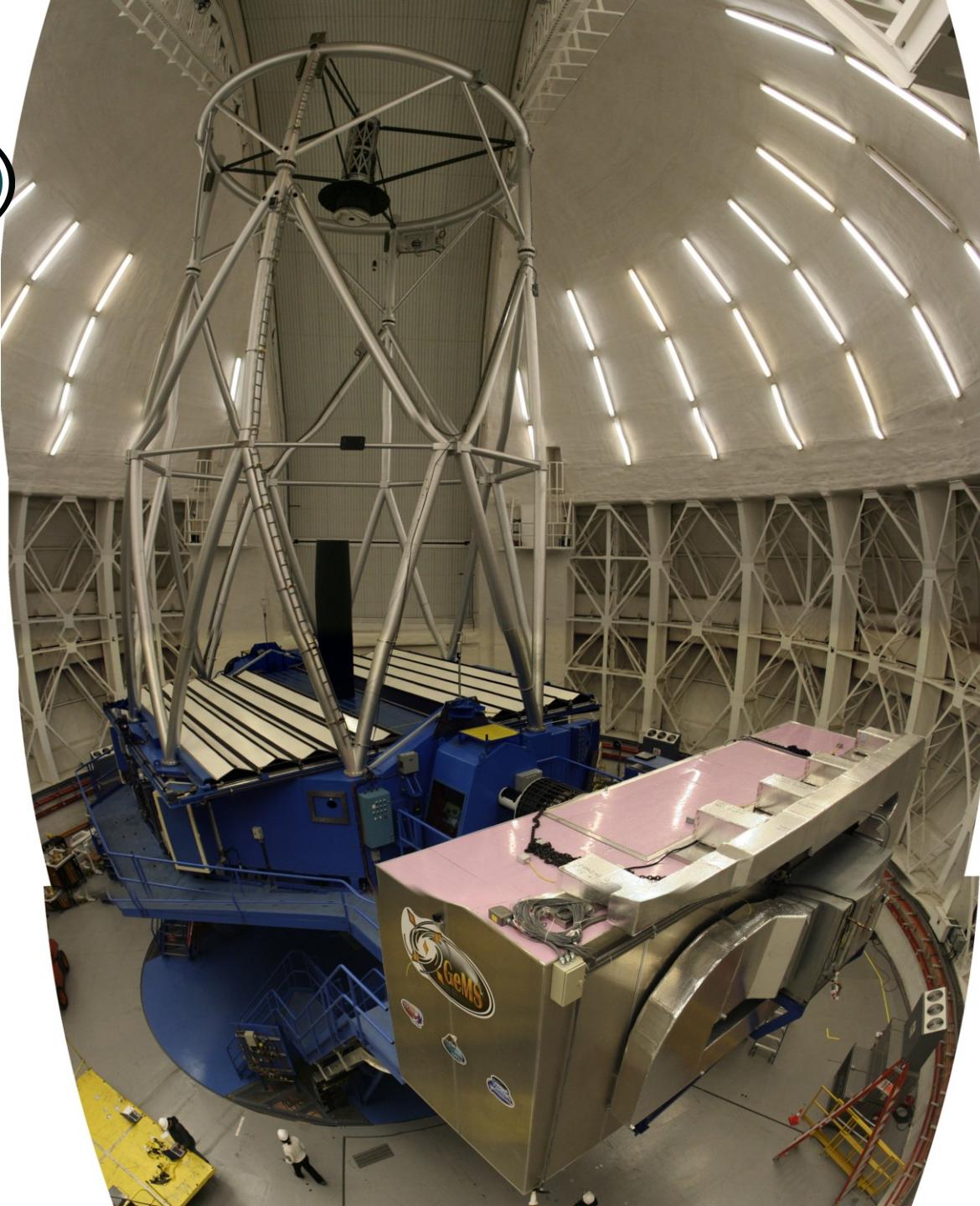


GeMS = Gemini (South) MCAO system

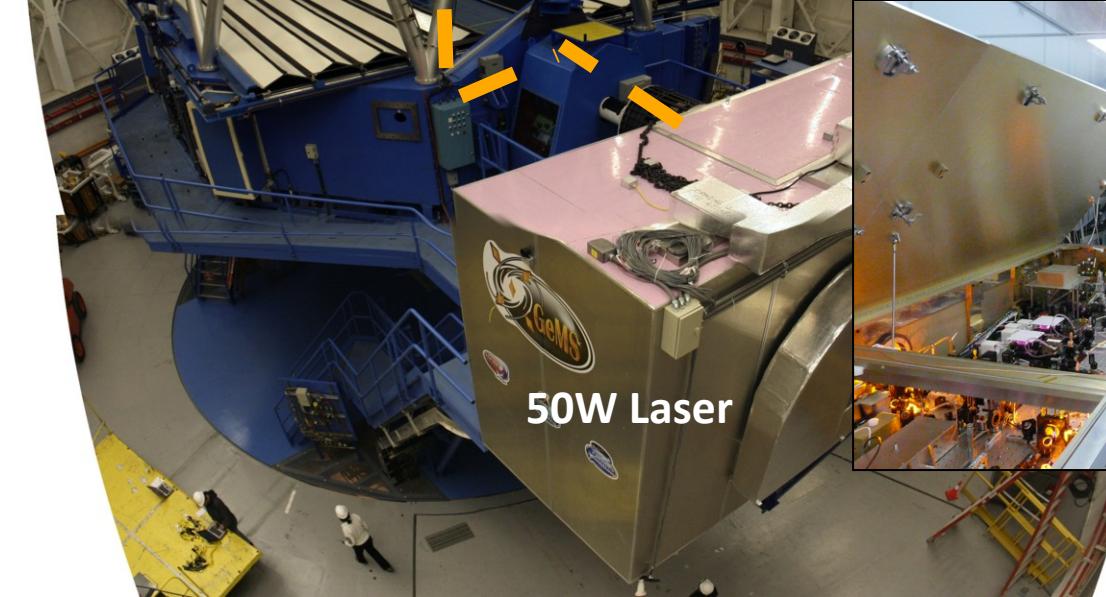
GeMS = Facility instrument delivering AO corrections in the NIR, and over a 2arcmin diameter FoV

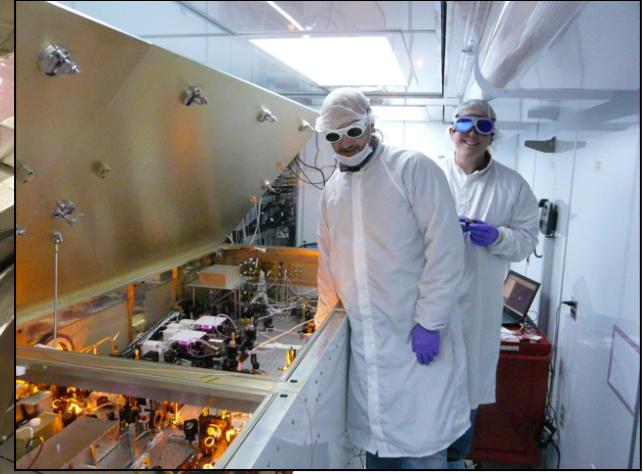
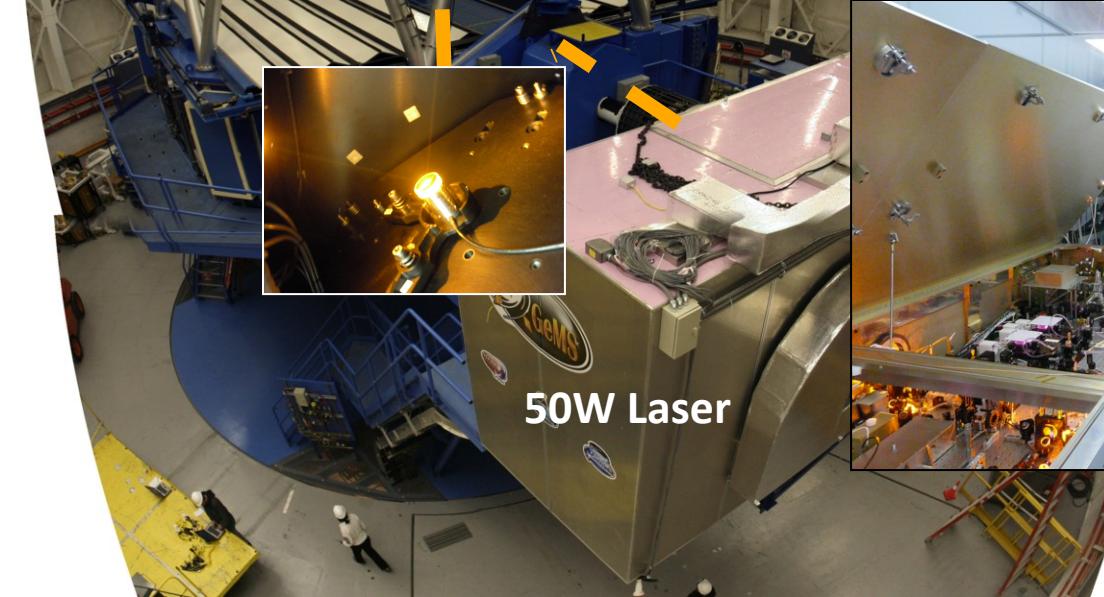
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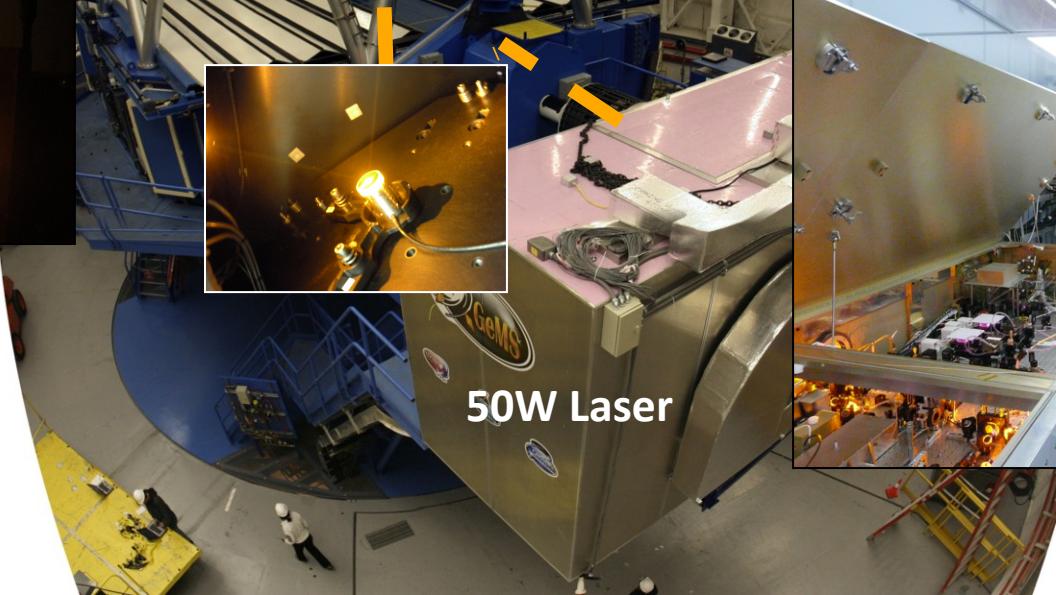


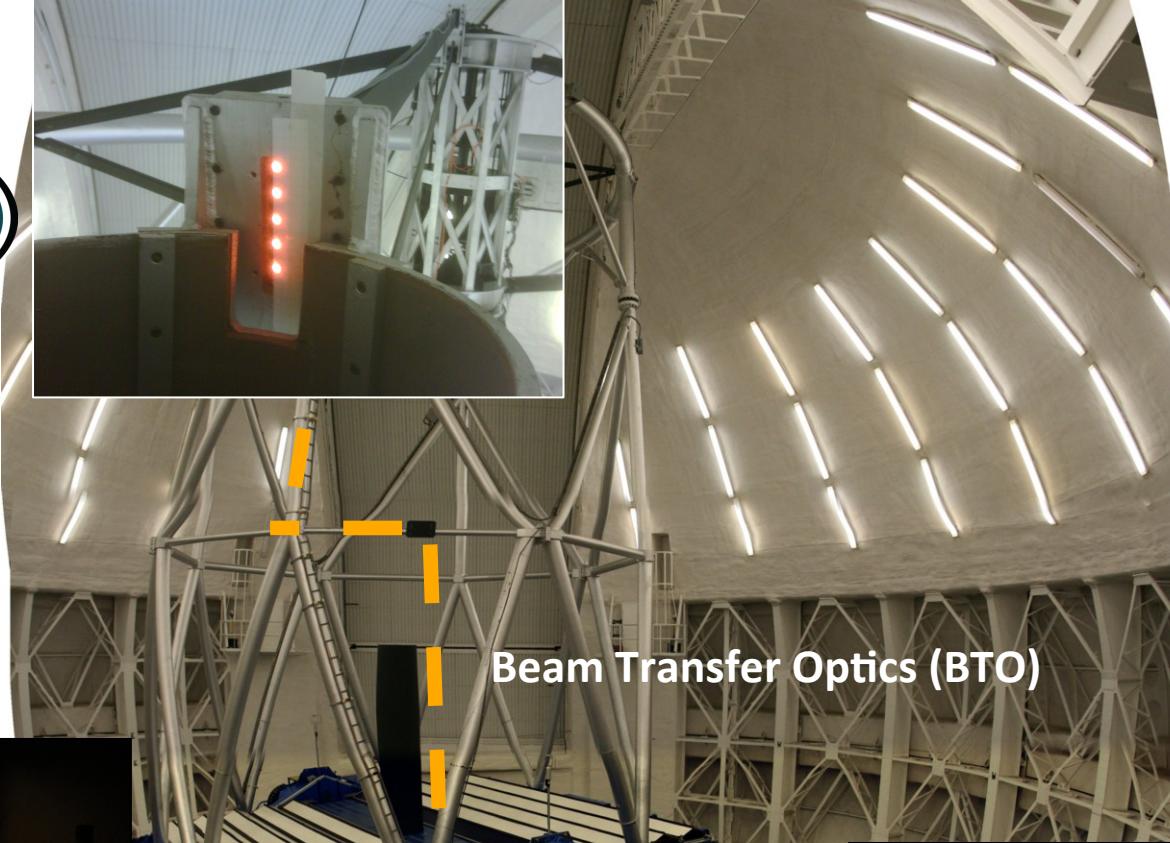










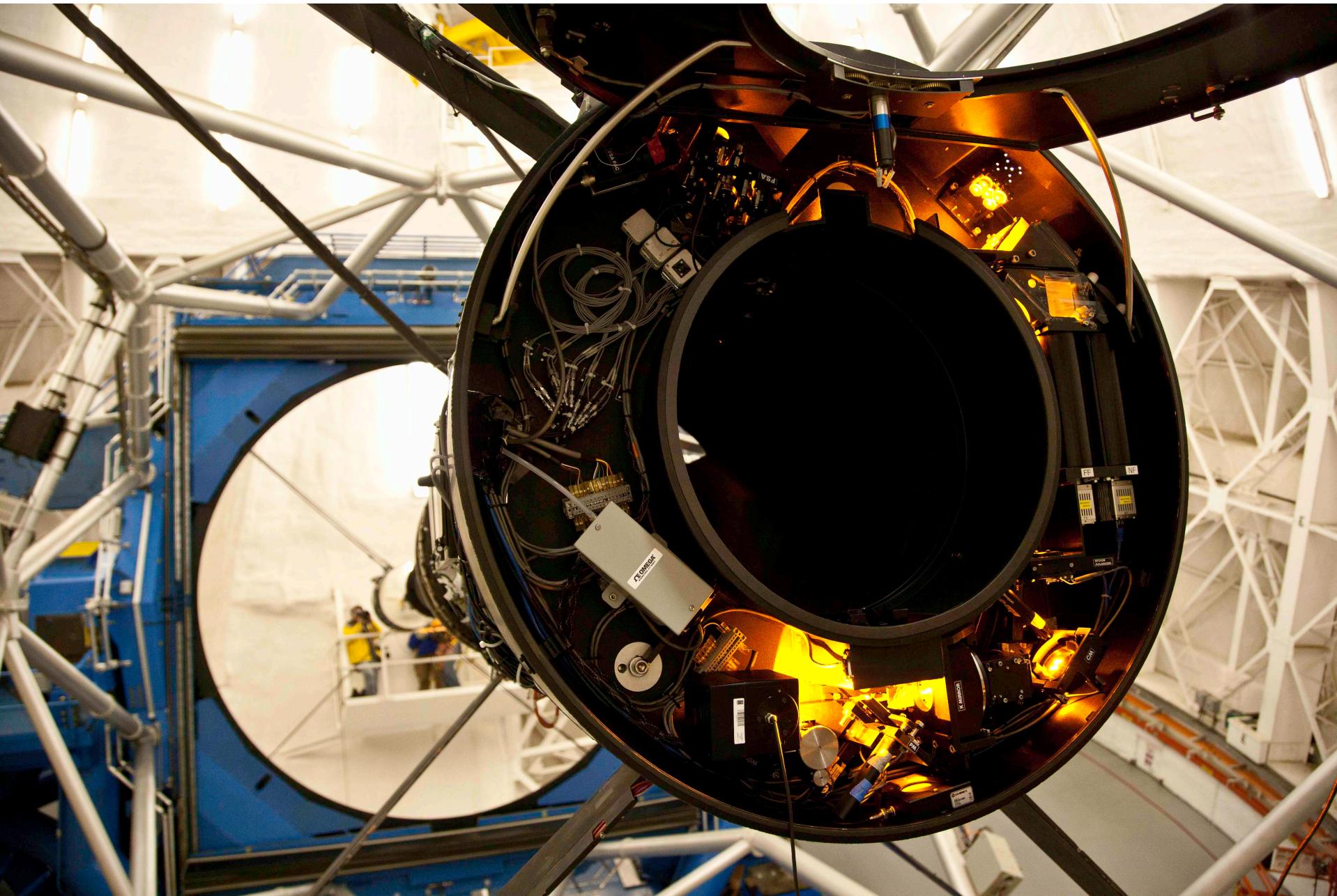


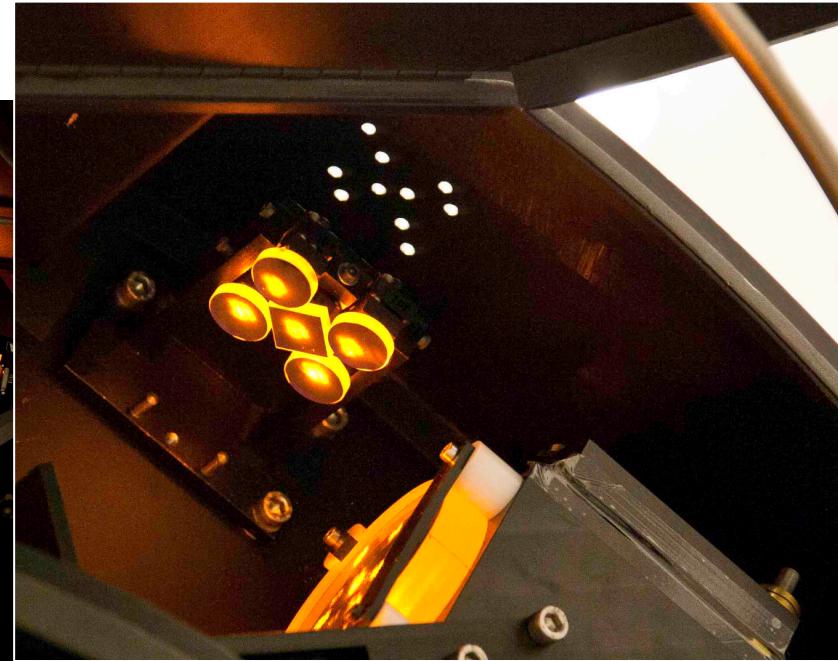
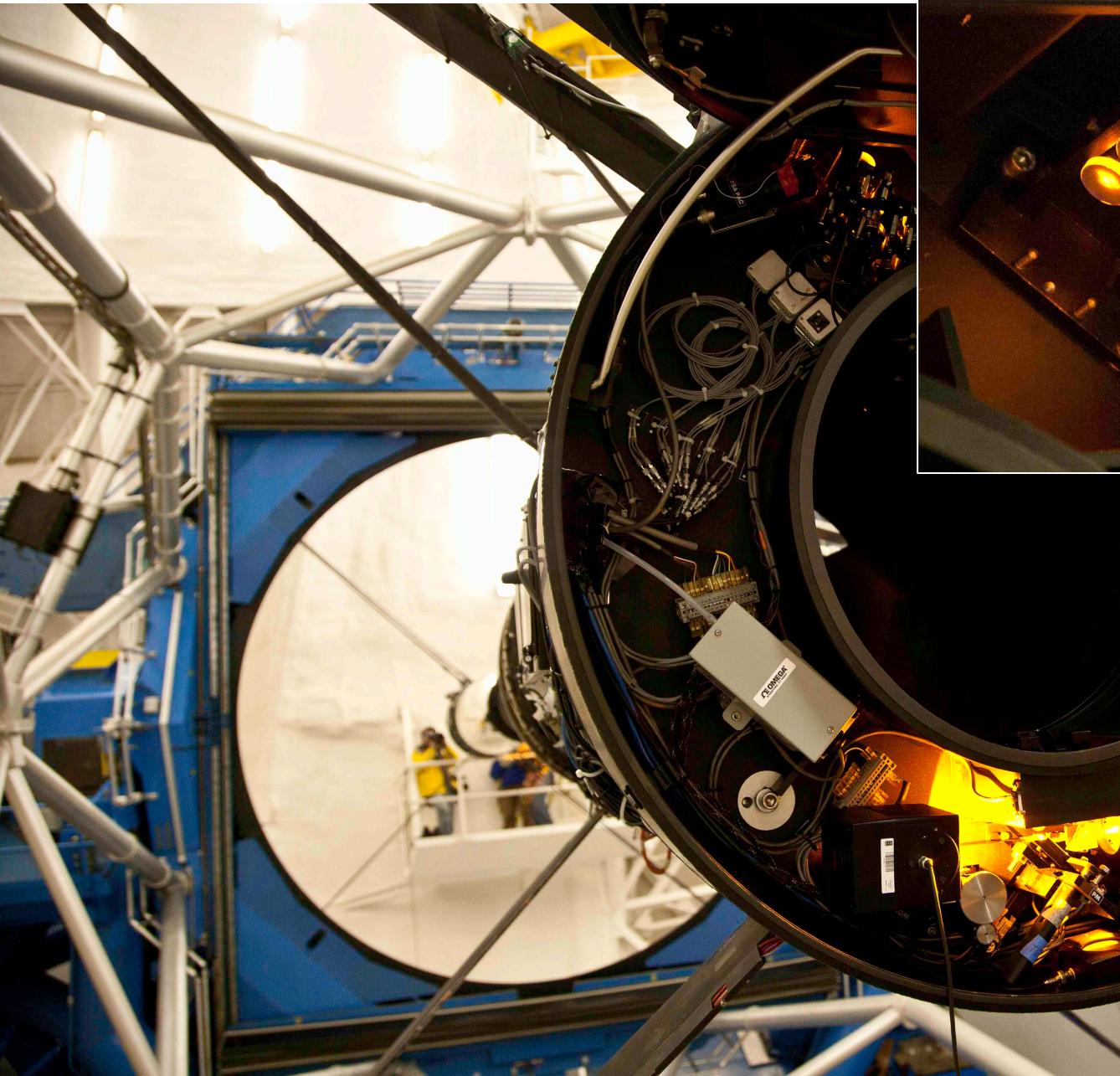
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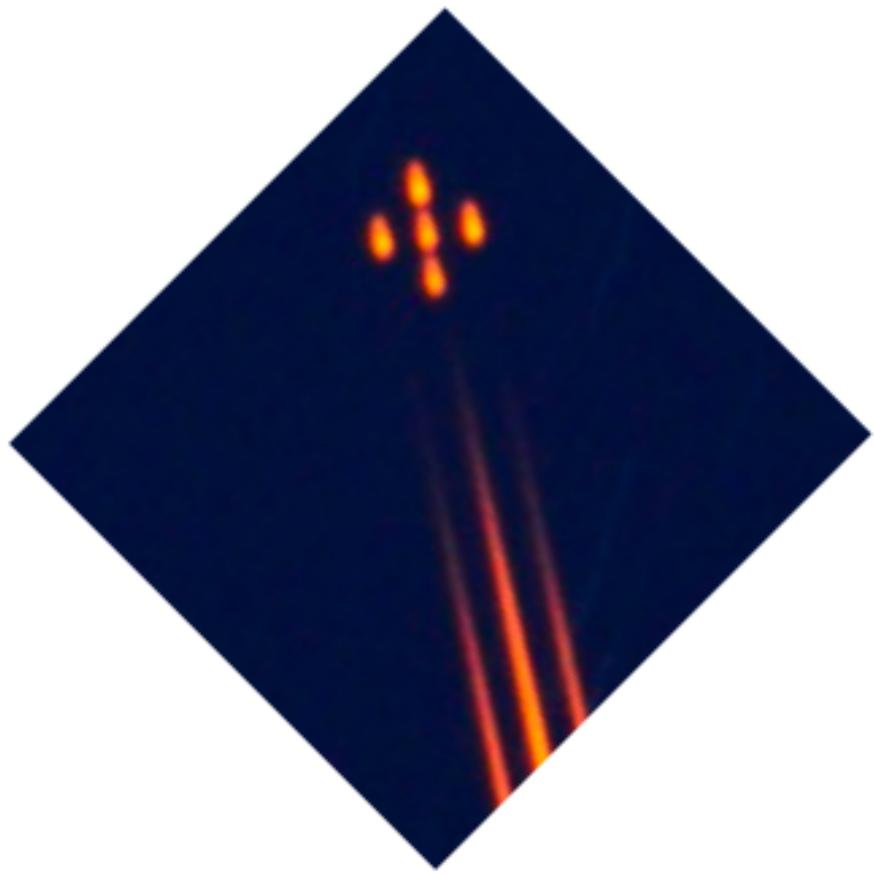
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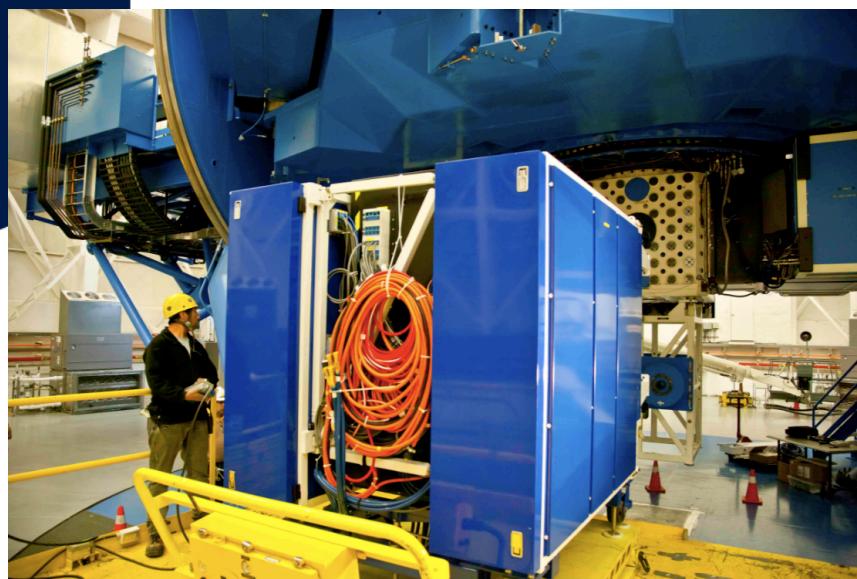
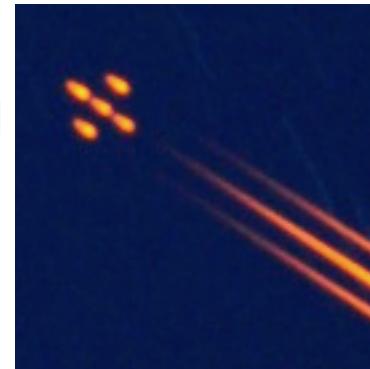
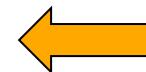










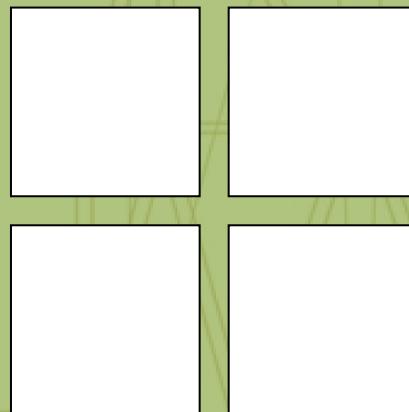


Instruments fed by GeMS

GSAOI

Near-Infrared wide field imager

2 x 2 mosaic Rockwell HAWAII-2RG 2048 x 2048 arrays



0.9 - 2.4 μm wavelength

85" x 85" field-of-view

Pix. scale of 0.02"/pixel

Flamingos-2

Near-Infrared wide field imager and multi-object spectrometer

0.95-2.4 μm wavelength

FoV = 120" diameter

Pix. Scale 0.09 arcsec/pix

Long Slit (slit width from 1 to 8 pixels)

MOS (custom masks)

R = 1200-3000

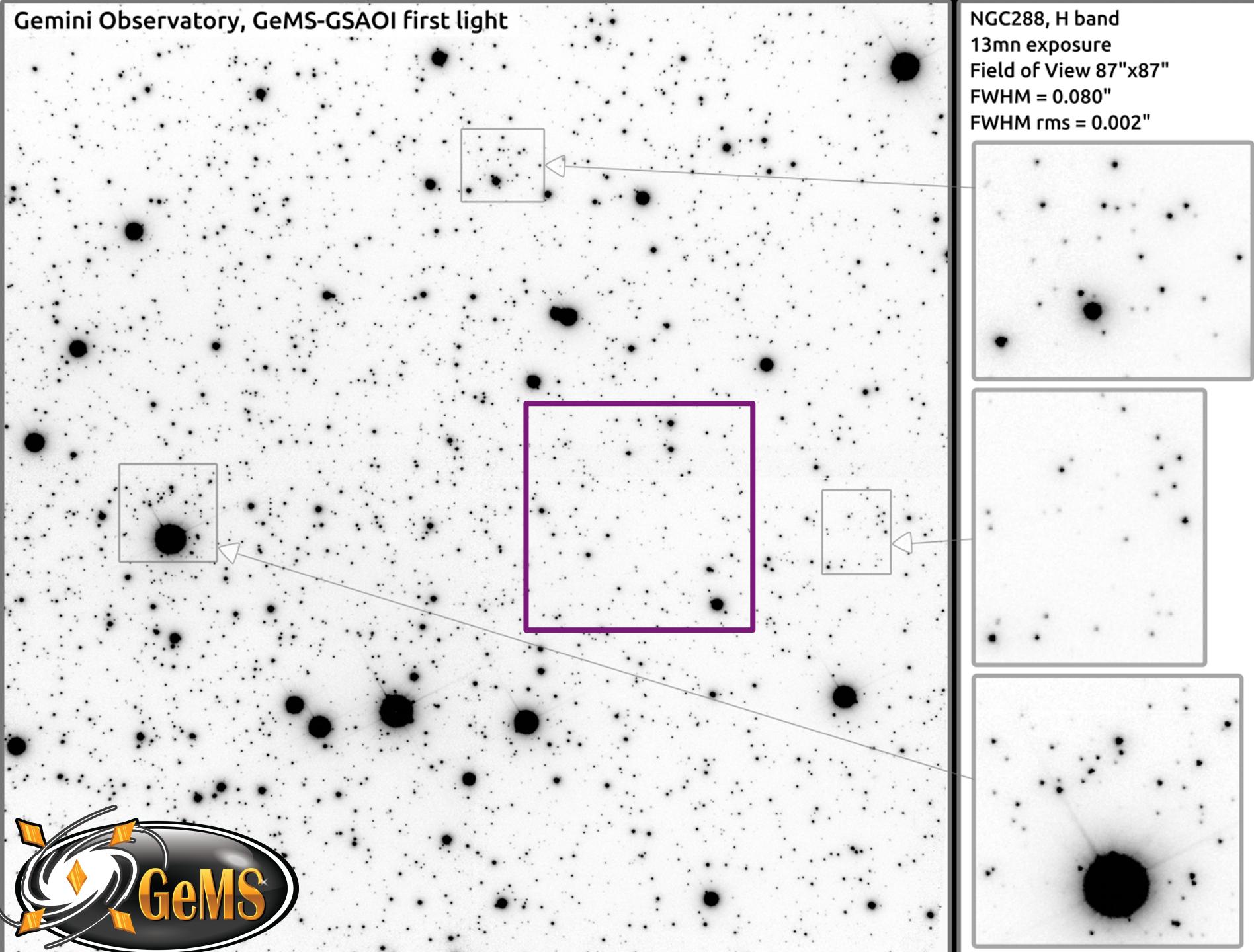
GMOS

0.36-0.94 μm (New Hamamatsu-Red-Sensitive CCDs)
Imaging, long-slit and multi-slit spectroscopy

FoV = 2.4 arcminute diameter.

Integral Field Unit (IFU) - pix = 0.1arcsec - FoV = 17arcsec - R150 to 1200

Gemini Observatory, GeMS-GSAOI first light



Science with NIR MCAO

Future Science with MCAO in the NIR (For VLT3)

Some examples of “current science”
What to expect in 8/10 years from now

NIR MCAO systems

MAD

2007 - 2008

Telescope:VLT

2 deformable mirrors (0 and 8.5km)

Pix Scale=0.028"/pix

(Marchetti et al., SPIE, 2008)



(2017 ?)

LBT

2DMs / path

Provide 2arcmin NIR imaging



2012 ->

Gemini-South

2 (3) DMs at 0, (4.5) and 9km

Works with GSAOI (NIR camera)

On-going commissioning for Flamingos 2

Potential commissioning with GMOS

See F. Rigaut / Hibon presentations

Current MCAO is almost exclusively coupled with imagers
GeMS may get spectroscopy with F2 in a couple of years

Current Science with MCAO in the NIR

(examples from MAD and GeMS)

Main science cases:

- 1. Star Clusters
 - 2. Astrometry
 - 3. A bit of extra-galactic (but difficult to compete with HST)
 - 4. A bit of everything else
- 60 to 80% of the proposals**

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1. Globular clusters
2. Star forming regions

Dense as a Globular cluster...



Scientific interests

- Fossils of galaxy archaeology
- Chronology of the Galactic halo and bulge assembly
- Testing ground for stellar evolutionary theory
- Tracers of chemical evolution
- Laboratory for dynamical stellar interaction
- The place to study exotica objects as Blue Stragglers and Black holes
- Basis for our understanding of any stellar system in the Universe
- Lower limit to the age of the Universe

(Slide from G. Fiorentino)

MCAO, by providing 1-2 arcmin FoV is ideal for GC

⇒ Gain in sensitivity / crowding vs. seeing limited

⇒ 8m NIR MCAO FWHM (~60-80mas) matches HST visible

Star Clusters, the MAD experience

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Resolving stellar populations outside the Local Group: MAD observations of UKS 2323-326*

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A MAD view of Trumpler 14*,**

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ON A NEW NEAR-INFRARED METHOD TO ESTIMATE THE ABSOLUTE AGES OF STAR CLUSTERS: NGC 3201 AS A FIRST TEST CASE*

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The R136 star cluster hosts several stars whose individual masses greatly exceed the accepted 150 M_\odot stellar mass limit

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Multi-Conjugate Adaptive Optics VLT imaging of the distant old open cluster FSR 1415

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VLT-MAD observations of the core of 30 Doradus

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MAD about the Large Magellanic Cloud*

Preparing for the era of Extremely Large Telescopes

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A FOSSIL BULGE GLOBULAR CLUSTER REVEALED BY VERY LARGE TELESCOPE MULTI-CONJUGATE ADAPTIVE OPTICS*

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A benchmark for multiconjugated adaptive optics: VLT-MAD observations of the young massive cluster Trumpler 14*

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The cluster Terzan 5 as a remnant of a primordial building block of the Galactic bulge

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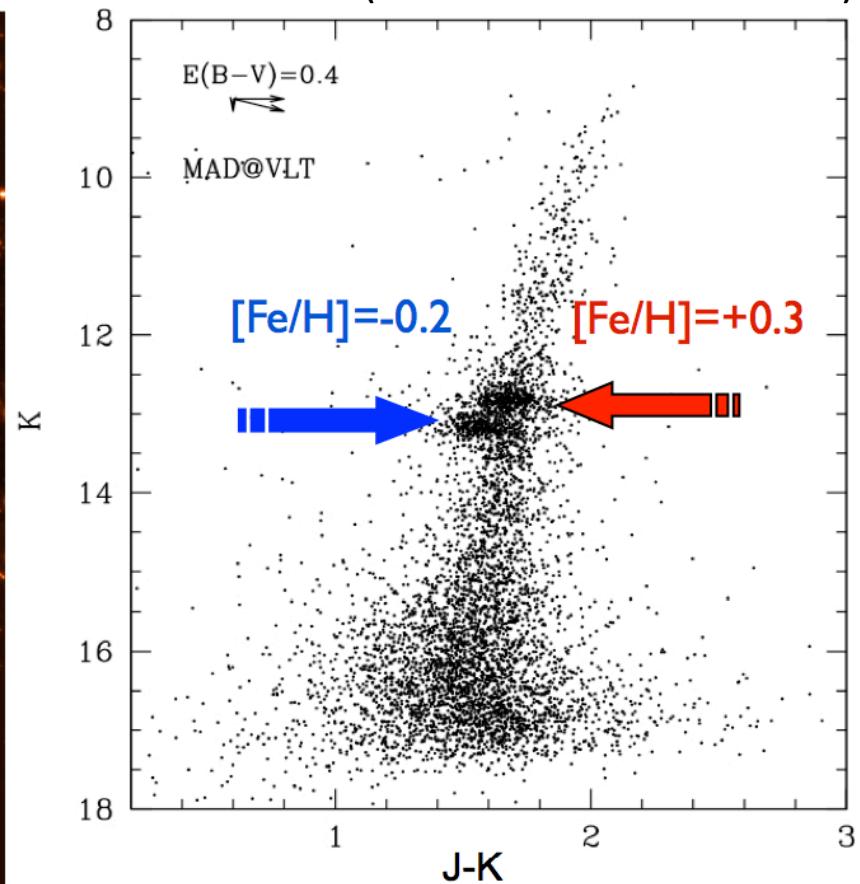
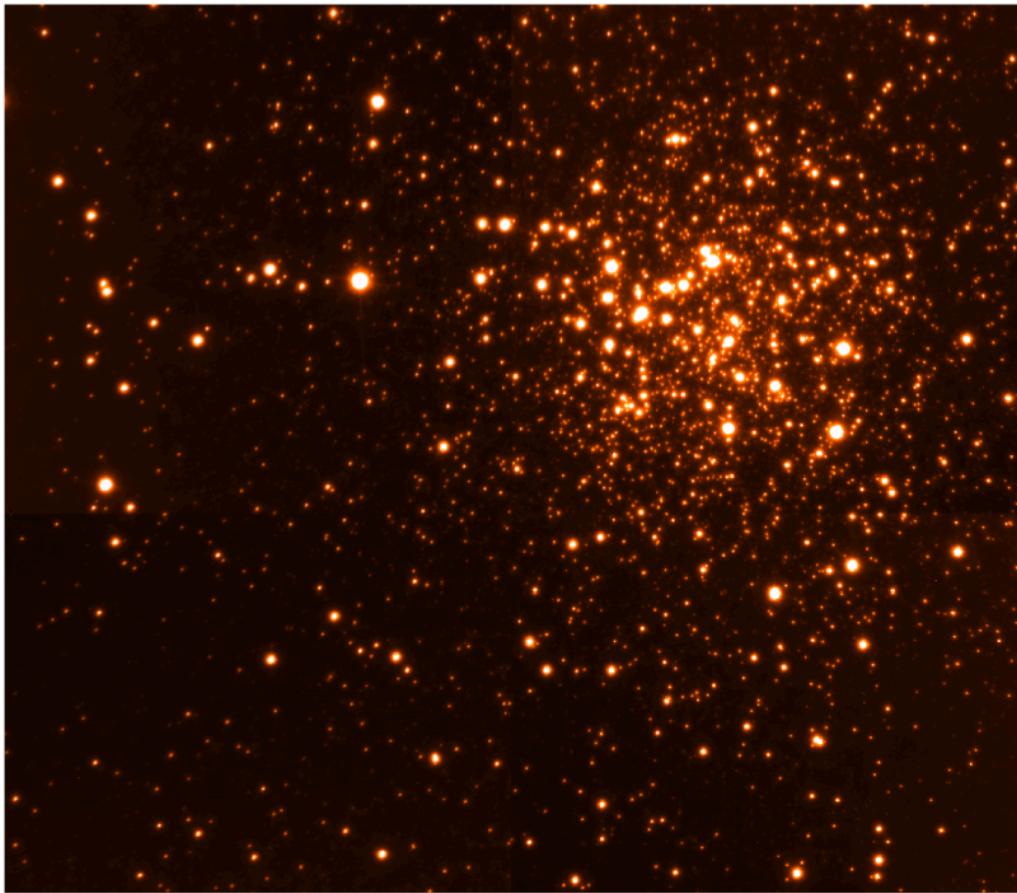
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MCAO near-IR photometry of the globular cluster NGC 6388: MAD observations in crowded fields*

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Ferraro et al. (2009, Nature)

(Slide from G. Fiorentino)



Ter 5 hosts two different populations (confirmed by spectroscopic follow-up):

- 1) one metal-poor and possibly old (12Gyr) that traces the early stage of the bulge formation
- 2) one metal-rich and possibly young (6Gyr) that could contain important information about the metal-enrichment and the dynamical evolution.



TOWARDS PRECISION PHOTOMETRY WITH EXTREMELY LARGE TELESCOPES:
THE DOUBLE SUBGIANT BRANCH OF NGC 1851

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**GeMS MCAO observations of the Galactic globular cluster
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**Ultra-deep GEMINI near-infrared observations of the bulge
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Resolving the low-mass content of Westerlund 1 using MCAO

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**HAFFNER 16: A YOUNG MOVING GROUP IN THE
MAKING**

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**The Orion Fingers: Near-IR Adaptive Optics Imaging of an
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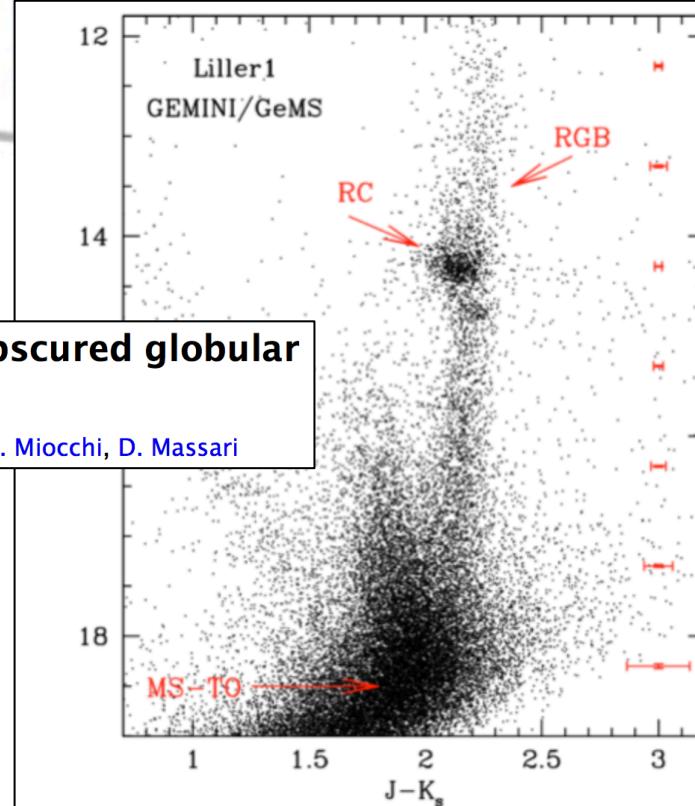
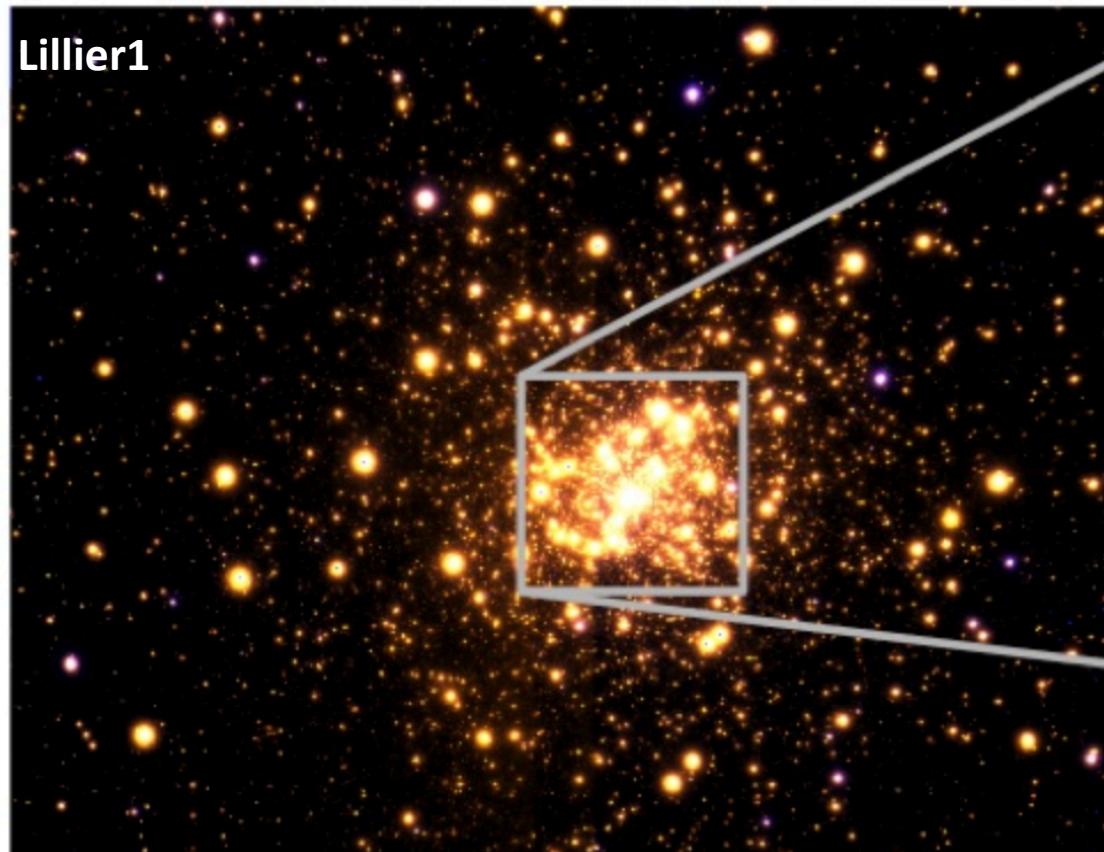
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**GeMs/GSAOI observations of La Serena 94: an old and far open cluster inside the solar
circle**

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Liller1

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"We find that Liller1 is significantly less concentrated and less extended than previously thought. The mass of Liller1 is comparable to that of the massive clusters in the galaxy. Liller1 has the second highest collision rate (after Ter5), confirming that it is an ideal environment for the formation of objects such as ms pulsar."

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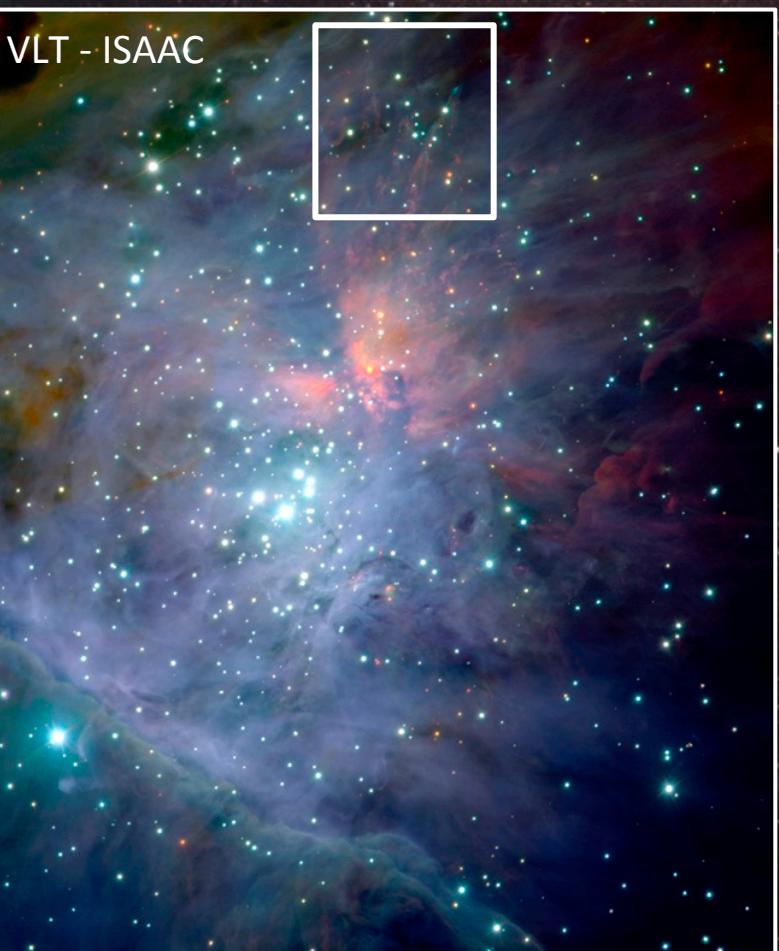
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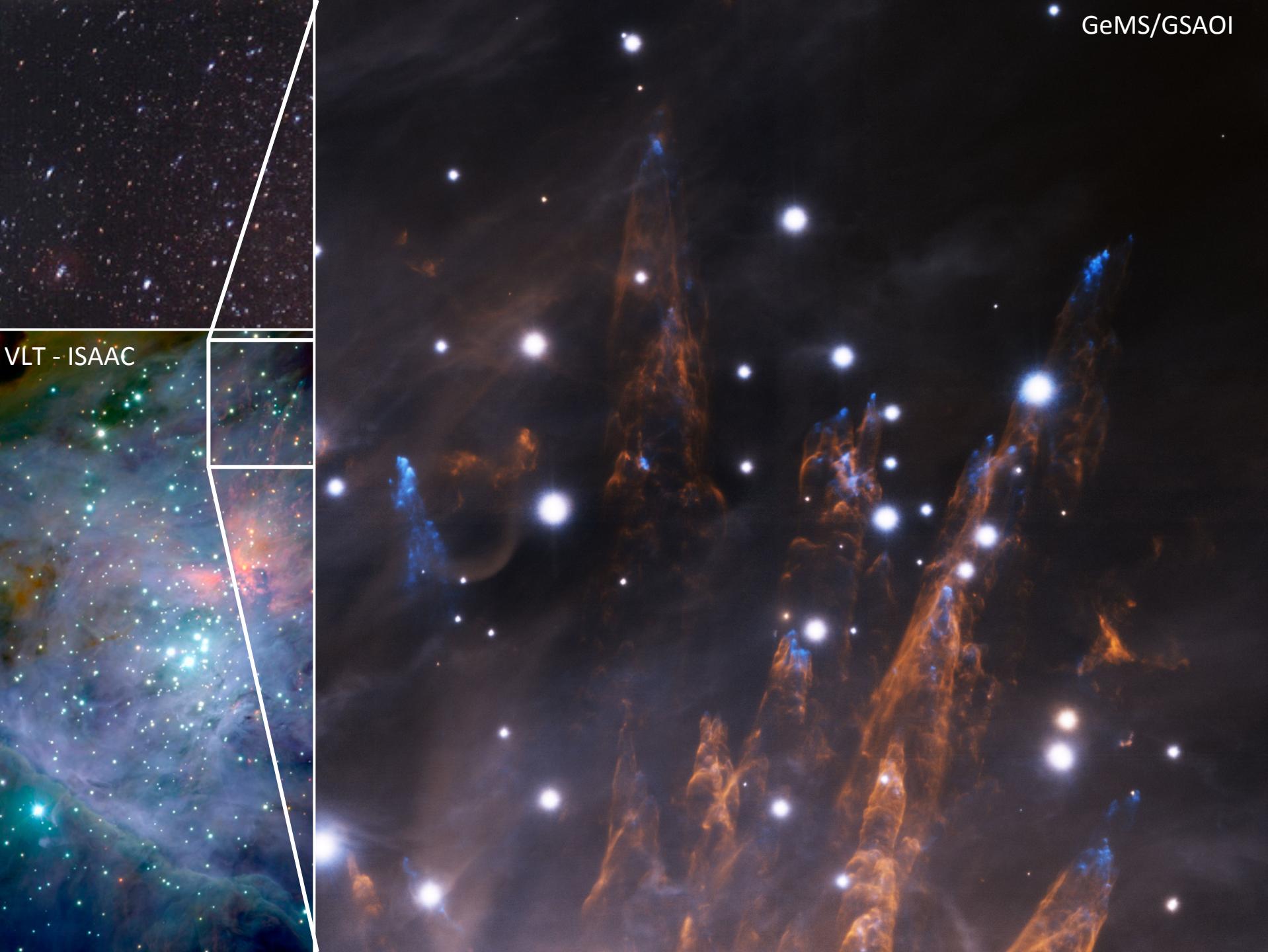
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VLT - ISAAC



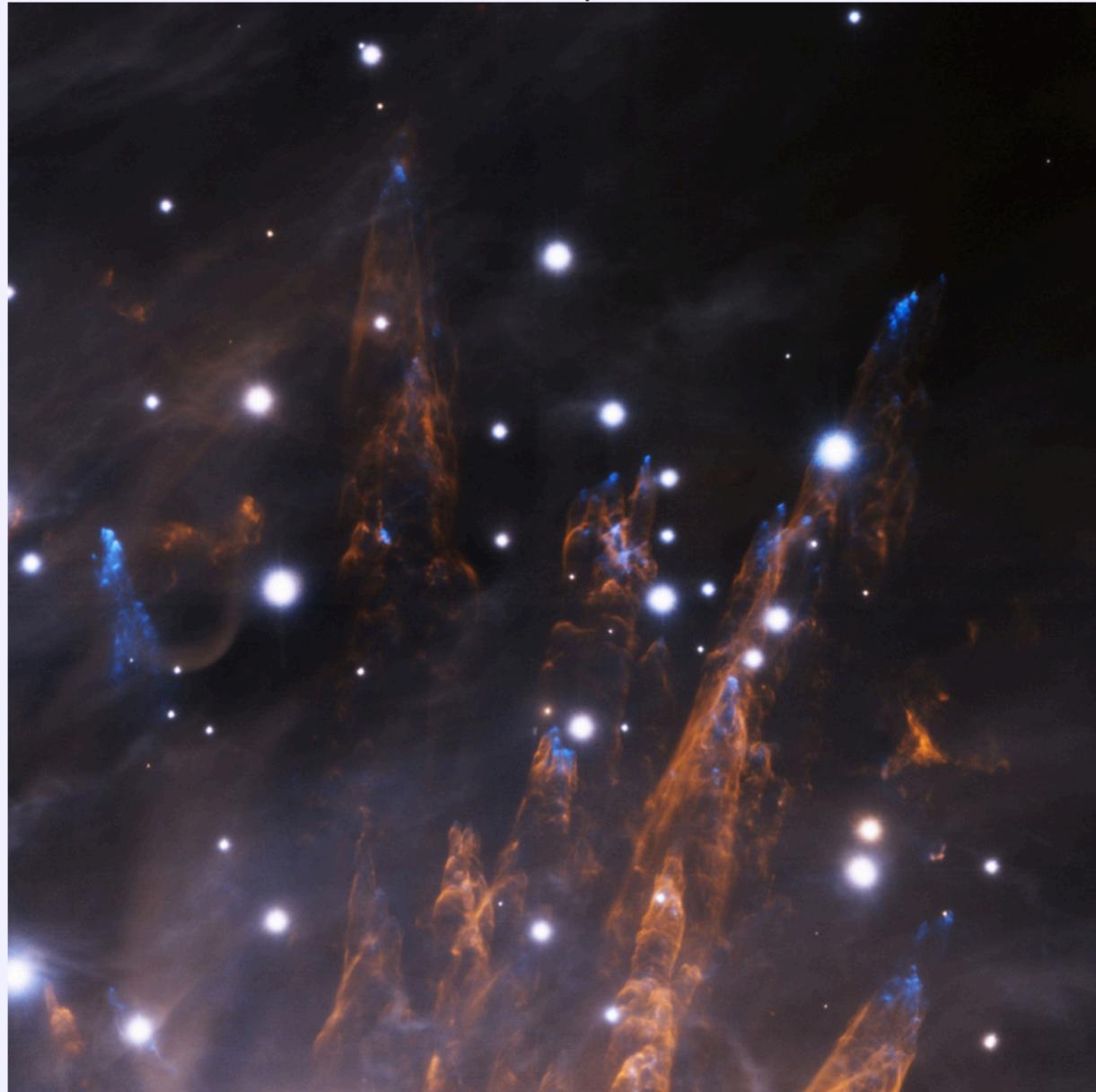


VLT - ISAAC

Astronomy Picture of the Day

[Discover the cosmos!](#) Each day a different image or photograph of our fascinating universe is featured, along with a brief explanation written by a professional astronomer.

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The Orion Bullets

Image Credit: GeMS/GSAOI Team, [Gemini Observatory, AURA](#)

3 Fields:

OMC1 – North

OMC1 – Center

OMC1 – South-East

Filters:

Mol. Hydrogen (H₂) - 2.122 μm (orange)

[Fe II] - 1.644 μm (blue)

Ks continuum - 2.093 μm (white)

Exposure Time per field:

H₂ = 12min

[Fe II] = 10min

Ks continuum = 10min

<FWHM> :

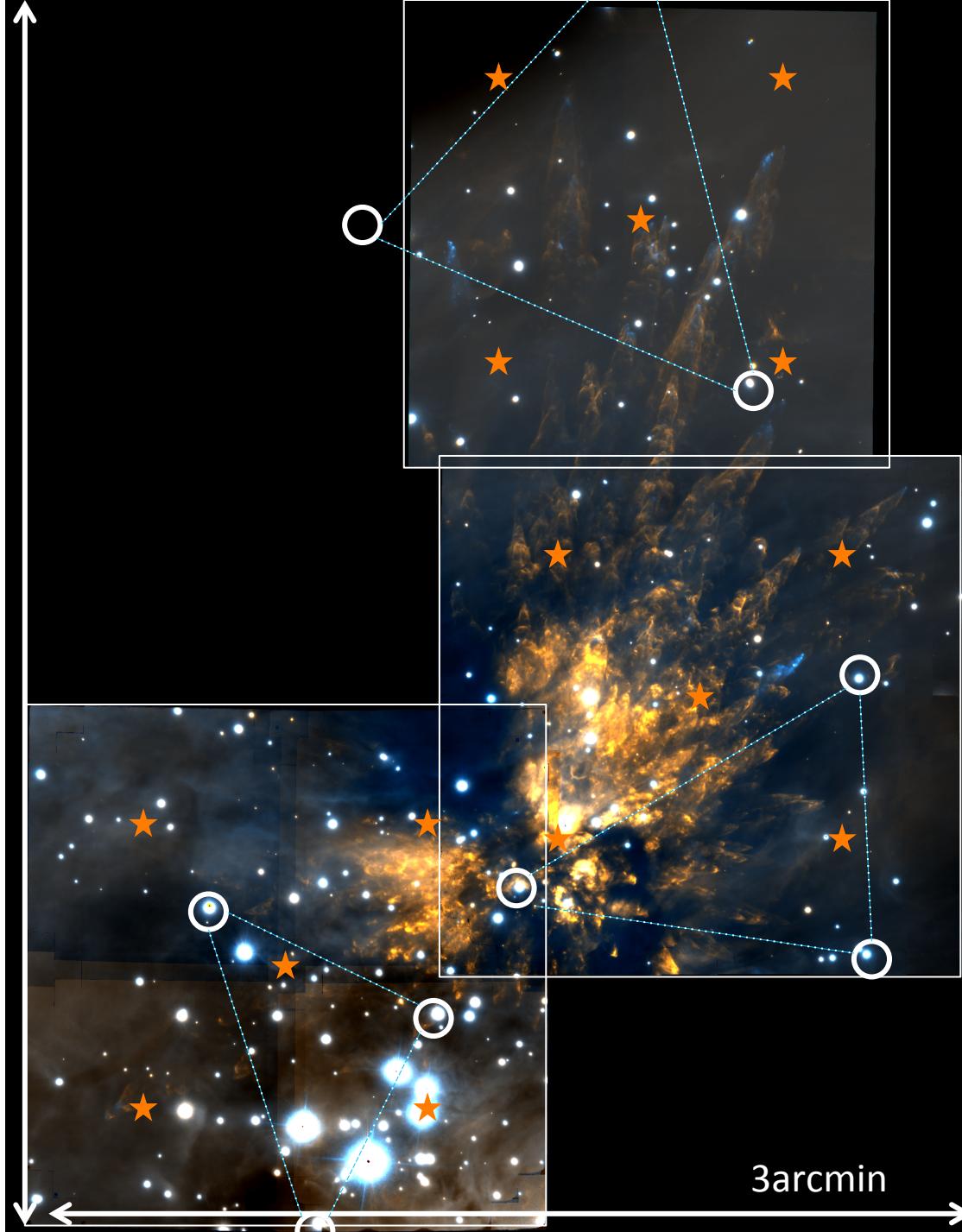
H₂ = 90mas

[Fe II] = 100mas

Ks continuum = 90mas

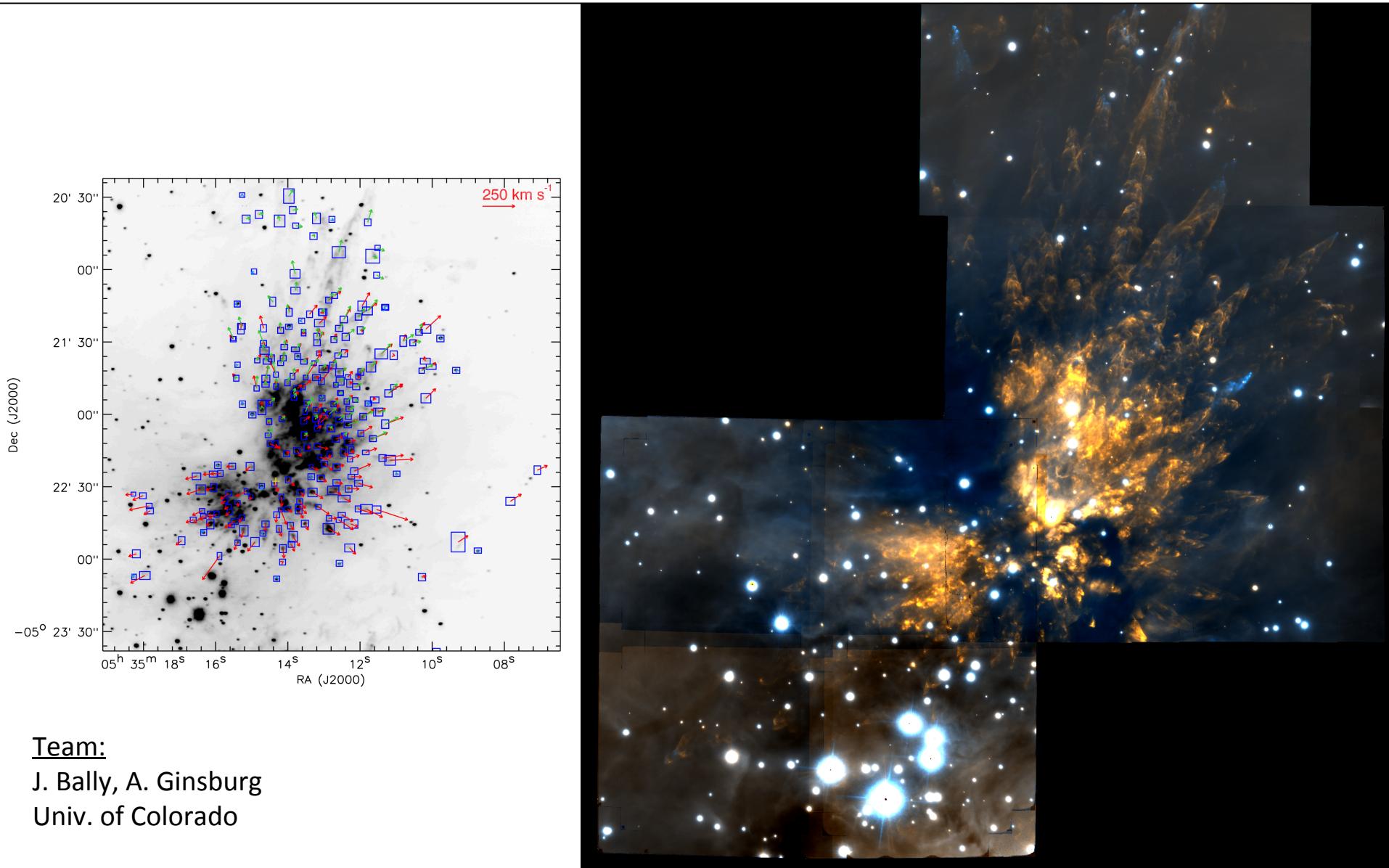
Natural seeing:

0.6" to 1.1" @ 550nm



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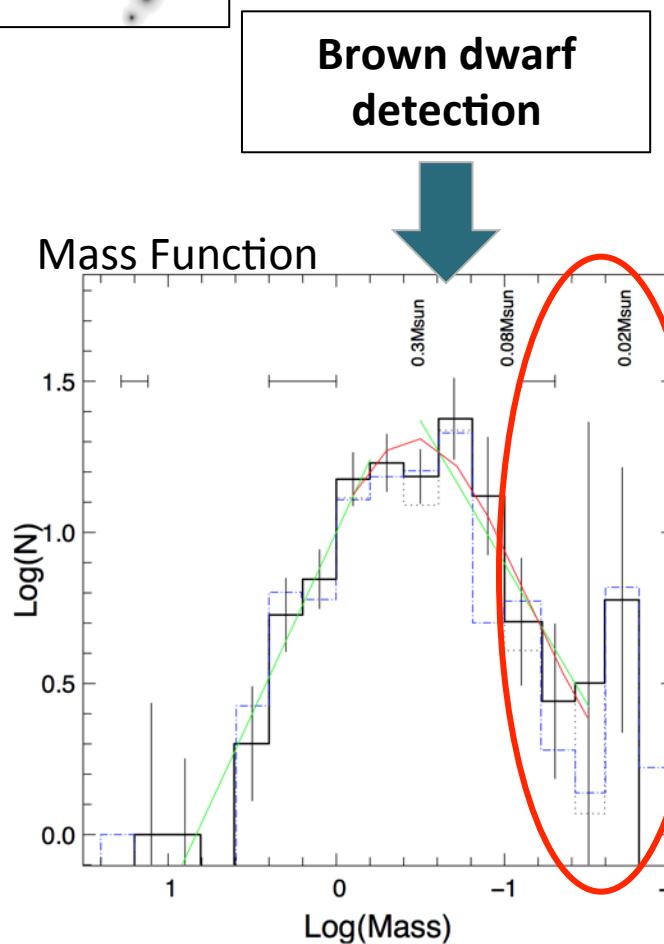
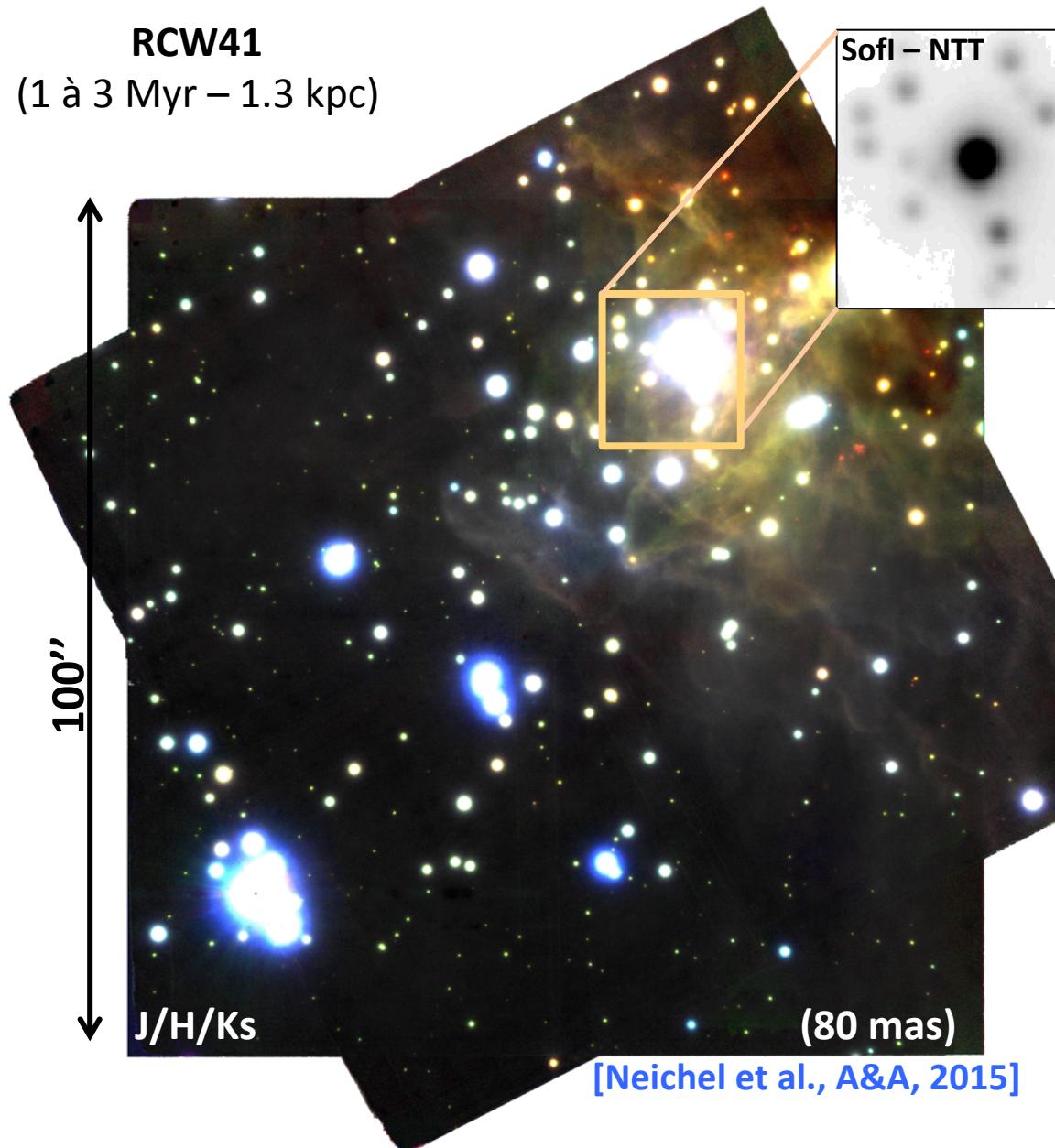
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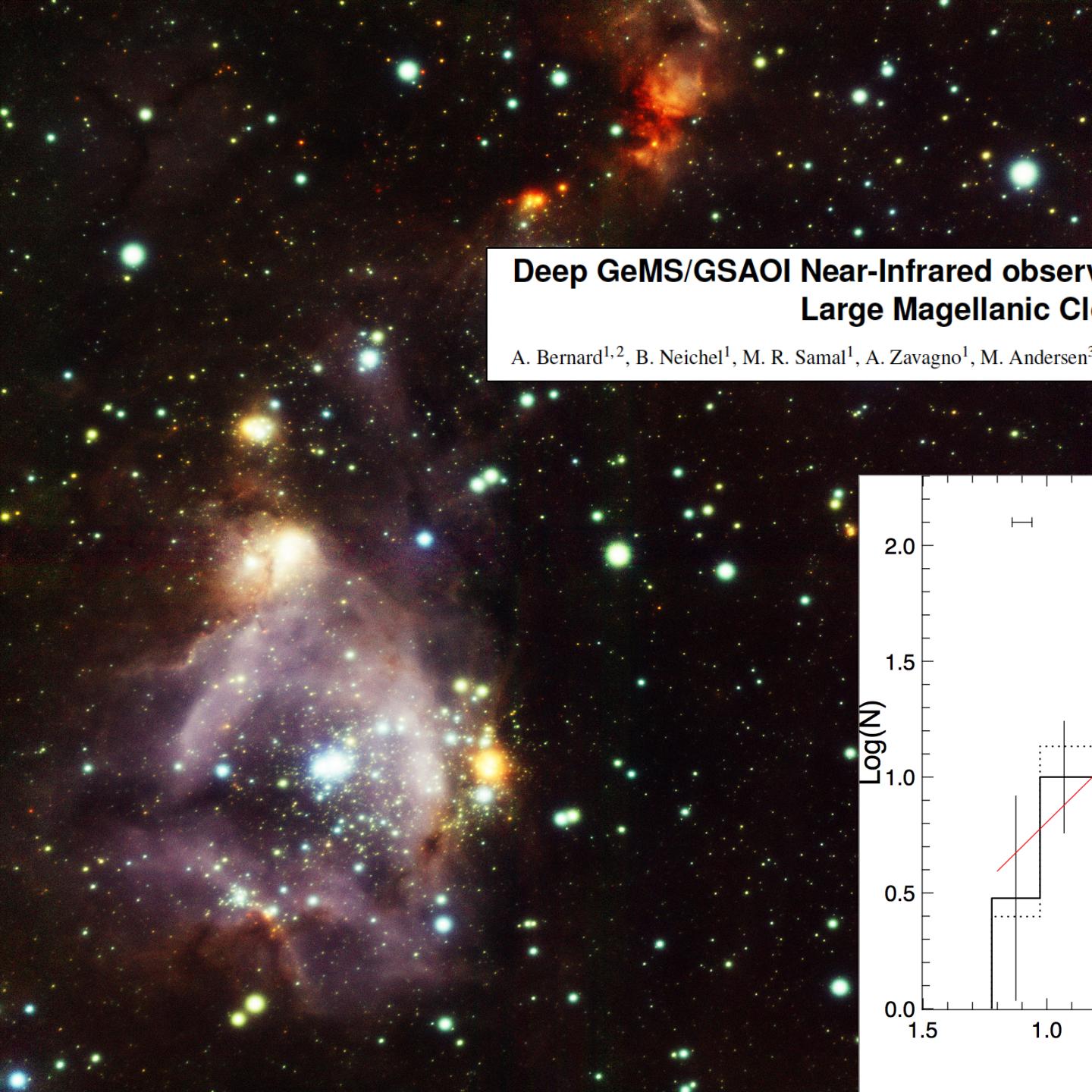


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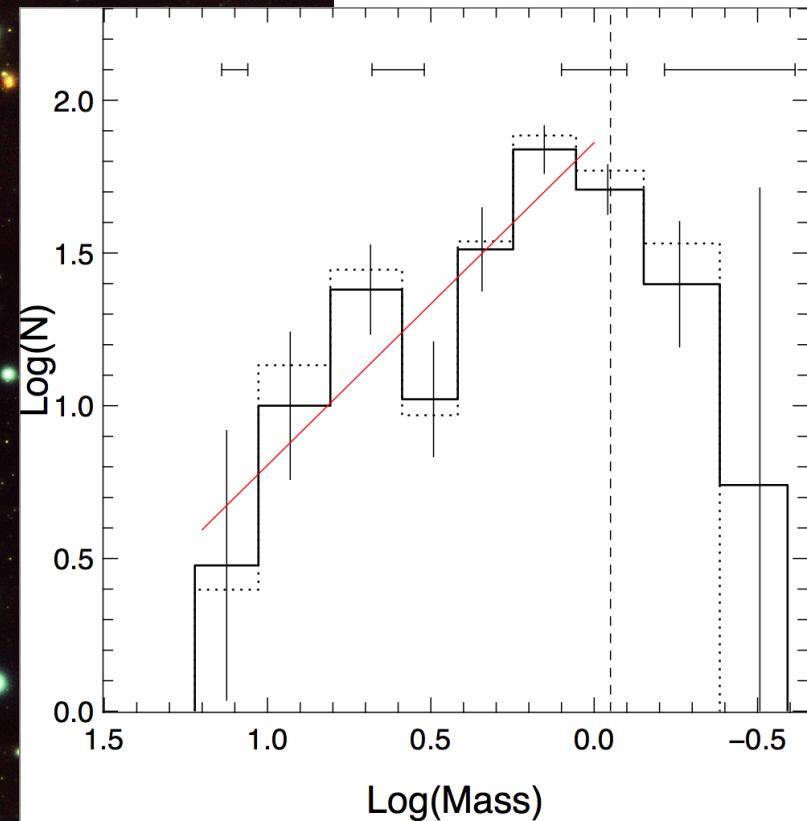
Star Clusters





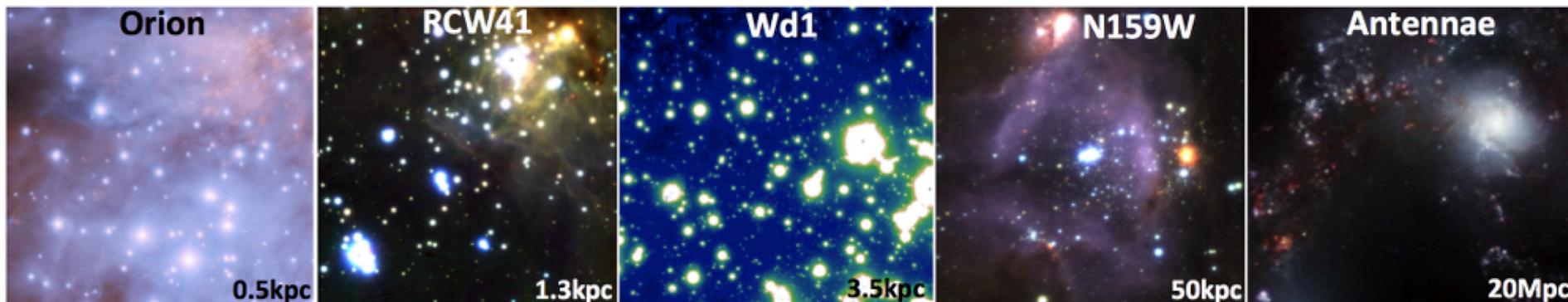
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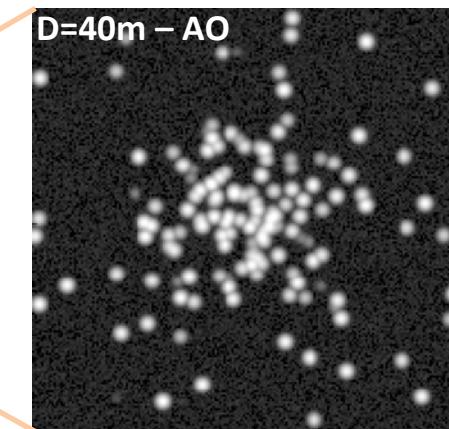
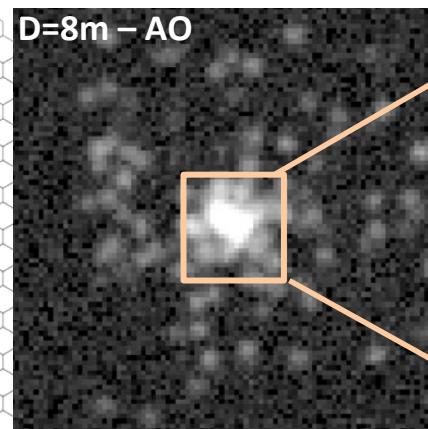
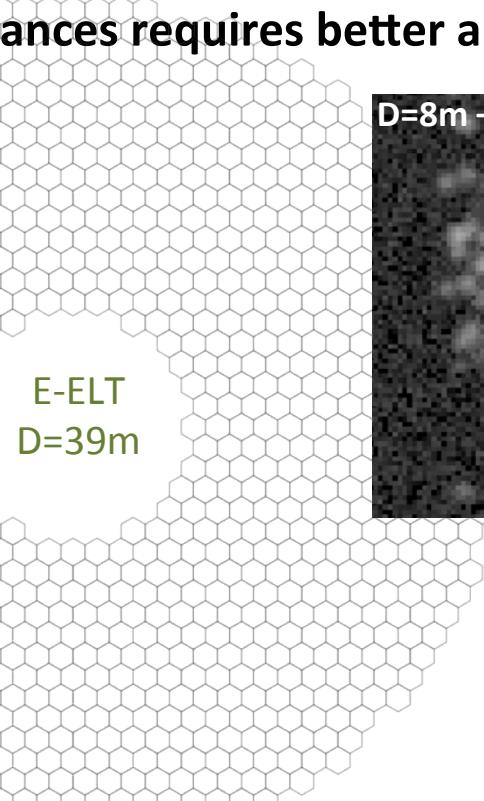
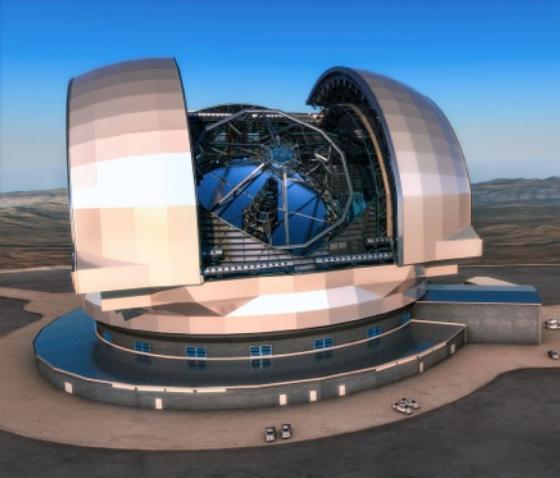


What's next for MCAO star cluster science ?

Pushing to larger distances:



Pushing toward larger distances requires better angular resolution and better sensitivity



Gain in resolution x 5
Gain in sensitivity x 5^4



What's next for MCAO star cluster science ?

In the time frame of VLT3 both E-ELT and TMT will be equipped with NIR MCAO systems

E-ELT

Name	1 st light	Modes	FoV & OA	Comments
MICADO + MAORY	2024	Imager 0.8 -> 2.4 microns Single slit @ R=8000	Imaging ~40" SCAO + MCAO	8 / 10 mas resolution

TMT

Name	1 st light	Modes	FoV & OA	Comments
IRIS	2024+	Equivalent to MICADO + HARMONI	MCAO	
IRMS	2024+	Equivalent to Keck MOSFIRE = multislit Spectro (46 slits) Slit = 160mas	MCAO FoV = 2.3' R=5000 0.8 -> 2.5microns	

What will the E-ELT be able to detect?

$H_{AB} \sim 31$ mag for isolated sources after several hours.

from Deep+ 11 & Greggio+ 12:

old Main Sequence Turnoffs out to ~ 2 Mpc

Local Group, Sculptor & M81 groups:
several large spirals

Horizontal Branch out to ~ 10 Mpc

Cen A: closest peculiar elliptical

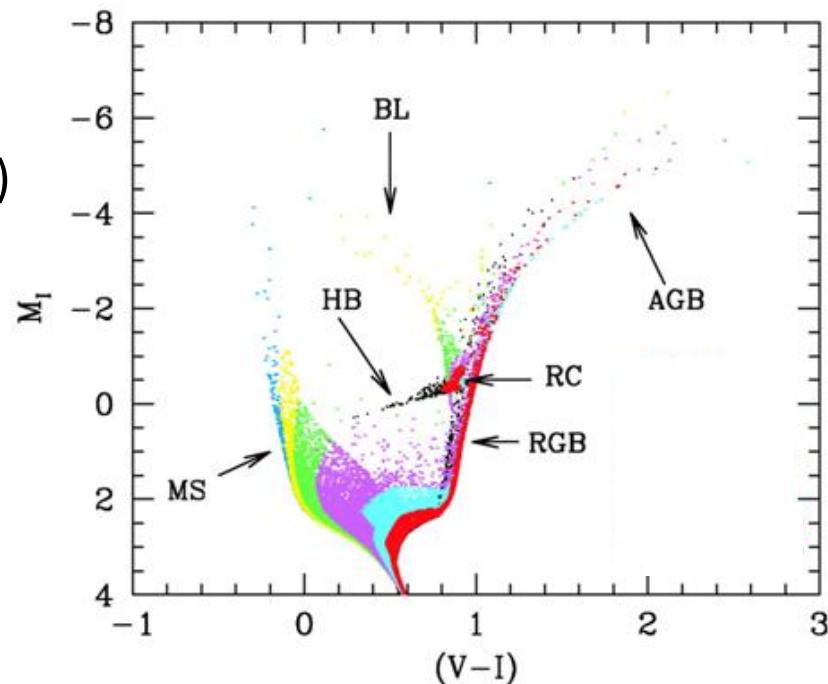
Leo Group: closest normal elliptical (NGC3379)

Red Giant Branch

Virgo Cluster: many large galaxies

tip of Red Giant Branch & luminous variable
stars out to > 100 Mpc

- < 0.1 Gyr
- 0.1 – 0.4 Gyr
- 0.4 – 1.0 Gyr
- 1.0 – 3.0 Gyr
- 3.0 – 6 Gyr
- 6 – 10 Gyr
- 10 – 13 Gyr



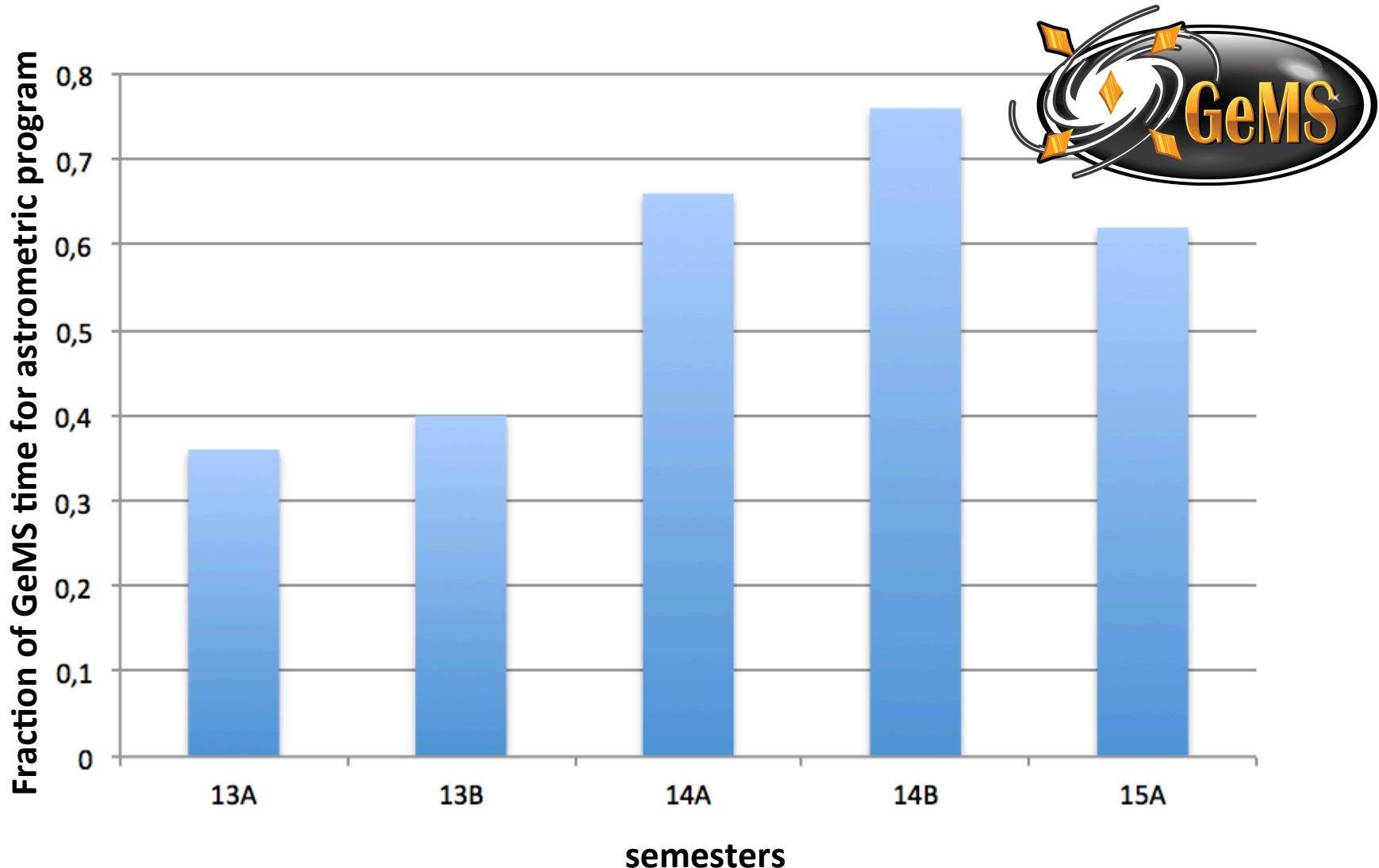
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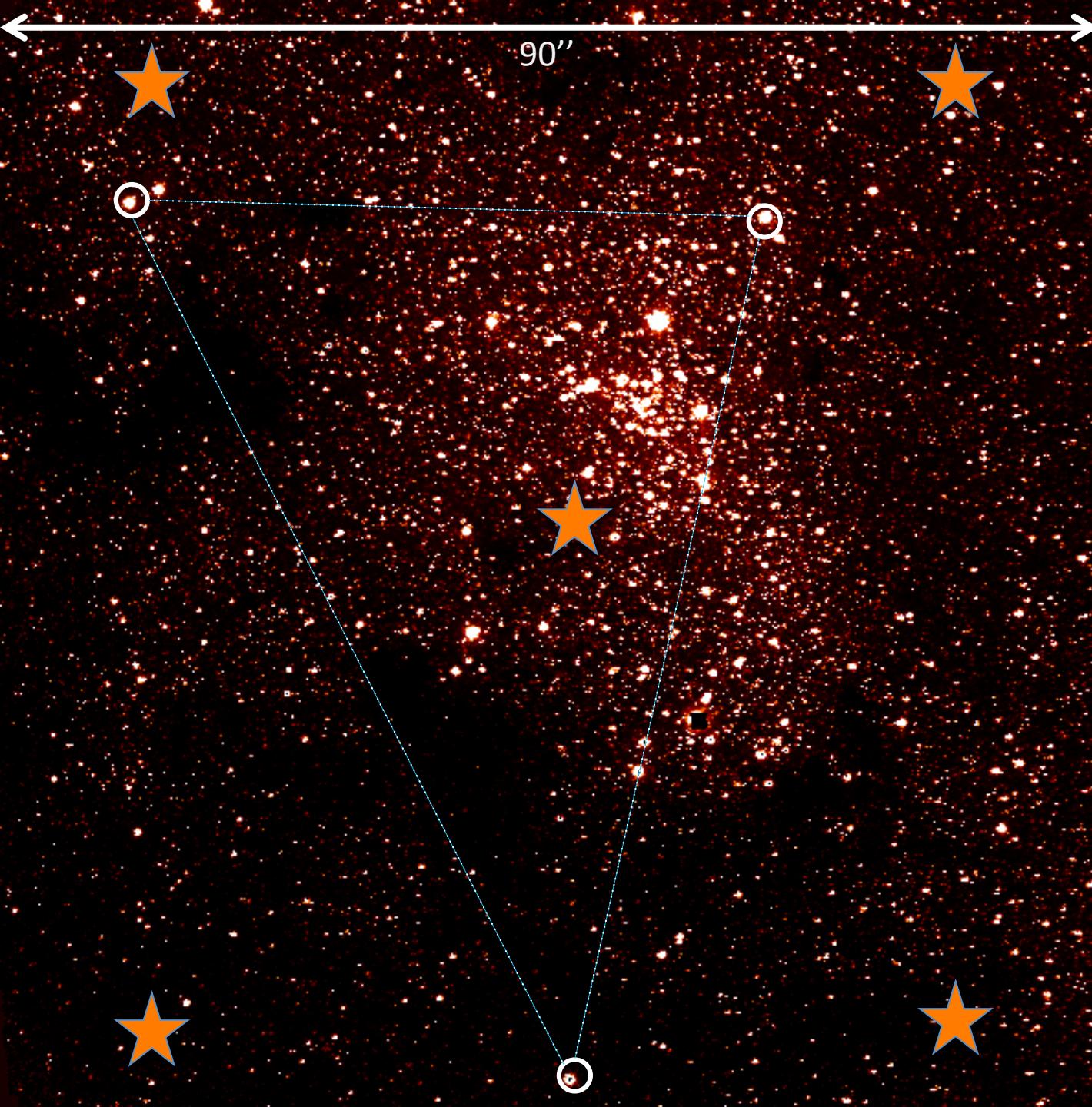
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Science cases for astrometry





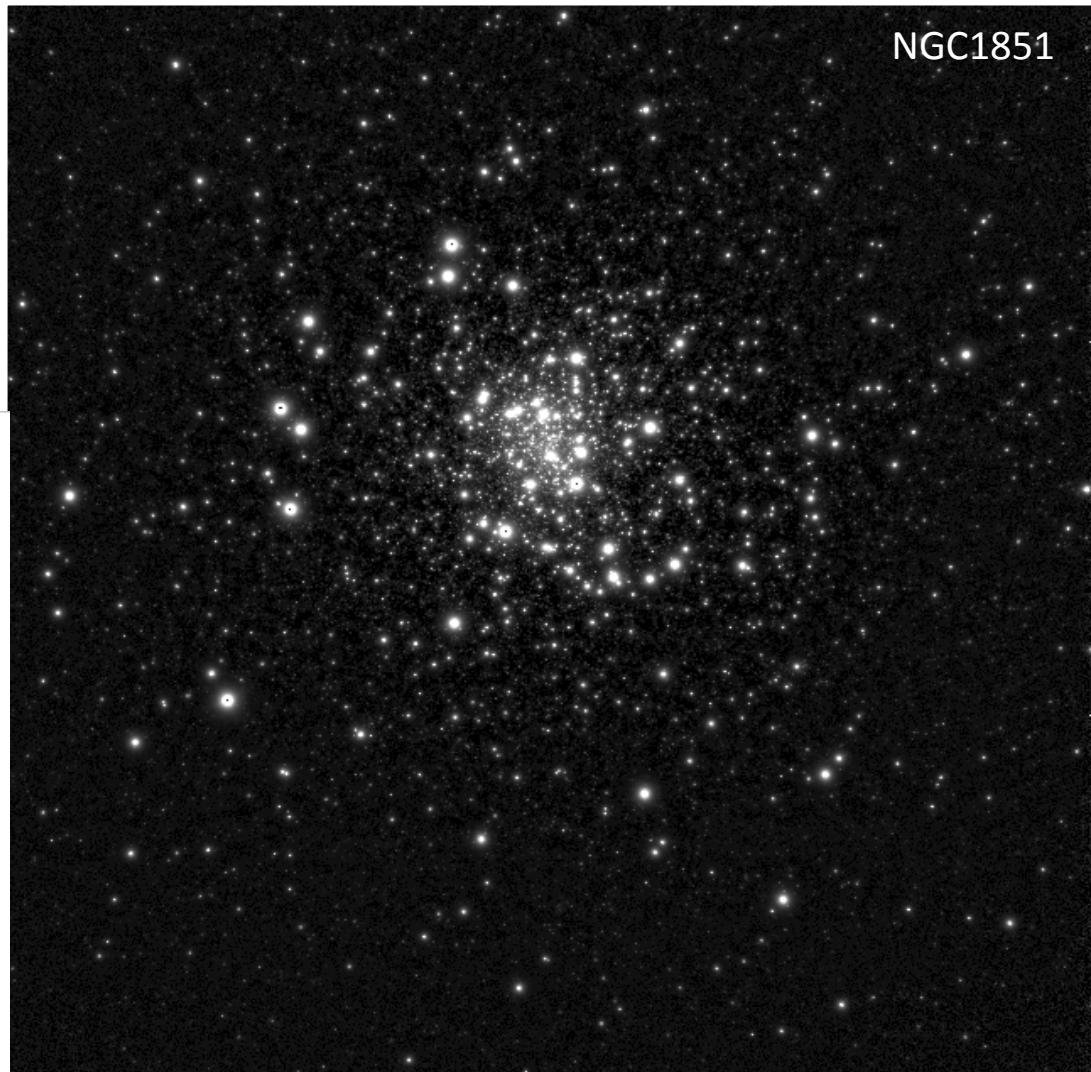
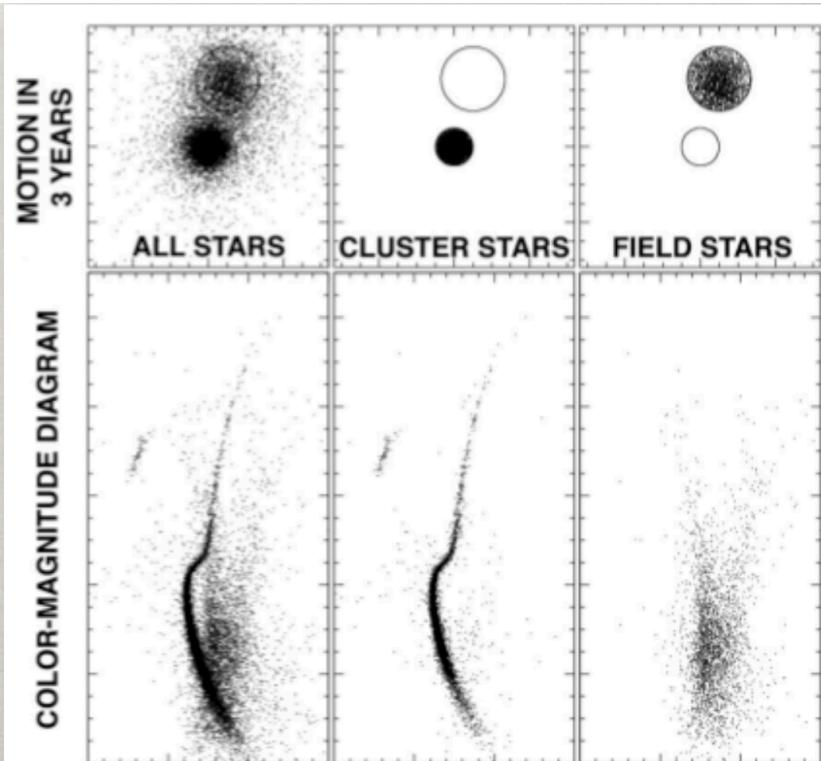
Galactic Center

Filter = Ks
Exposure Time = 5min
 $\langle \text{FWHM} \rangle = 90\text{mas}$



Multi-epoch observations of star clusters:

- Foreground / Background contamination
- Proper motions: trace the GGCs in space and time (using cluster age) providing a link to their birthplace.
- Internal dispersion: Occurrence of IMBH at the center of GGC.



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Open questions in near field cosmology

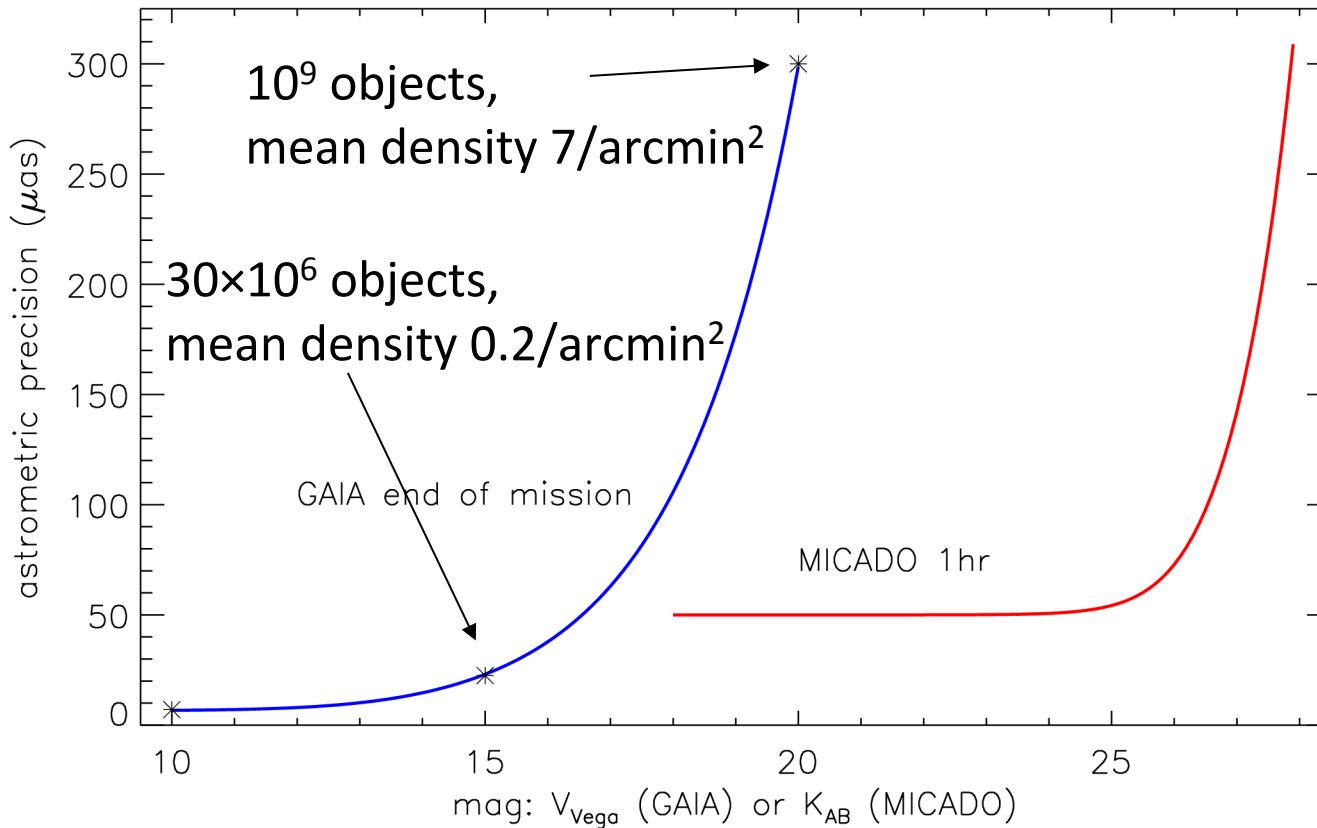
- **Mass of the Milky Way** uncertain, e.g. compare
 - $1.6 \pm 0.4 \times 10^{12} M_{\text{sol}}$ (Boylan-Kolchin et al. 2013)
 - $0.56 \pm 0.12 \times 10^{12} M_{\text{sol}}$ (Gibbons et al. 2014)
- **Too big to fail:**
 - There are too few dwarf galaxies with central dispersion of $30 \sim < v < 60$ km/s. (Zavala et al 2009, Boylan-Kolchin et al. 2012)
 - Are such dwarf galaxies missing?
 - Or have dwarfs less dense cores?
 - Less massive Milky Way could be (part of) the solution (Wang et al 2012)
- **Shape of the halo uncertain:**
 - Oblate but edge on the disk? (Law & Majewski 2010)
- We address these points with **absolute proper motions** in the halo of the Milky Way.

Astrometry: GAIA & MICADO

Relative vs Absolute astrometry.

MICADO & GAIA have different sensitivity & crowding limits:

- GAIA: Milky Way structure & evolution, exoplanets, solar system minor bodies
- MICADO: dense &/or dusty regions, IMBHs, star clusters, dwarf galaxies



V_{Vega} and K_{AB} magnitudes are roughly equivalent

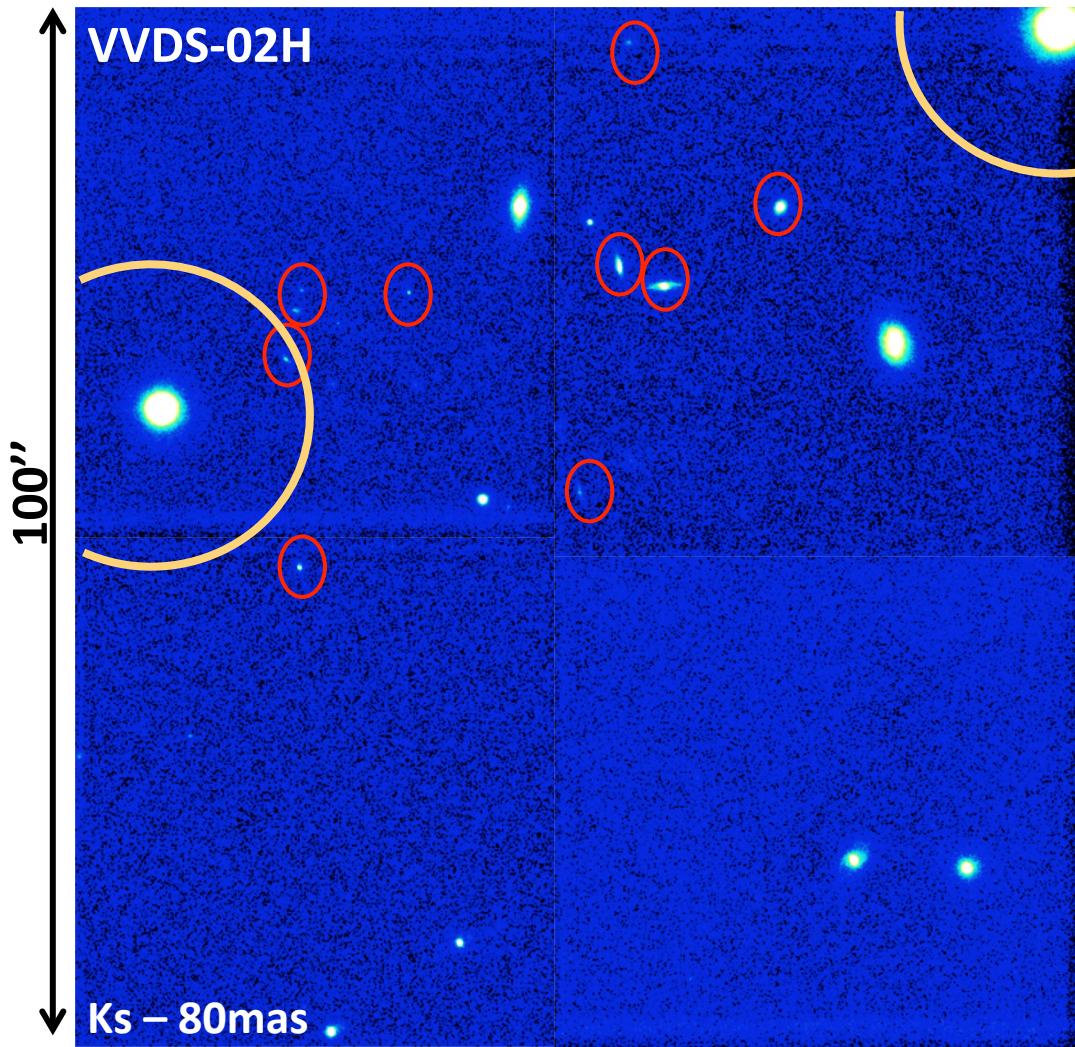
Current Science with MCAO in the NIR

(examples from MAD and GeMS)

Main science cases:

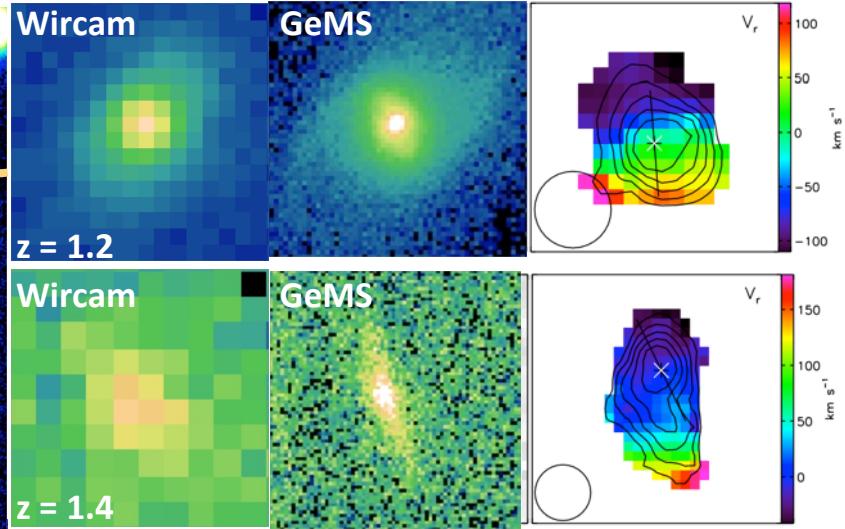
1. Star Clusters
2. Astrometry
- 3. A bit of extra-galactic**
4. A bit of everything else

Morpho-dynamics of galaxies



[Epinat, Contini et al.]

Échantillon MASSIV – SINFONI (ESO)



Collab.: B. Epinat, P. Amram (LAM), T. contini (IRAP)

Perspective: Follow-up of in the NIR
of MUSE observations

Scientific Context in ~8/10 years

Space instrumentation: JWST

Name	1 st light	Modes	Comments
NIRCam	2018	Imager 0.6 to 5microns	FoV = 2'x2' Nyquist /2;/4
NIRSpec	2018	Multi-slit spectro 1-5 microns 0.6-1micron	FoV = 3'x3' Slit = 200mas R = 100 (< 1mic) R < 3000 (>1mic)
NIRISS	2018	Imager + Spectro R=700 (0.6 -> 3mic) R=150 (1-> 2.5mic)	FoV = 2.2' x 2.2'

Galaxies at High Redshift

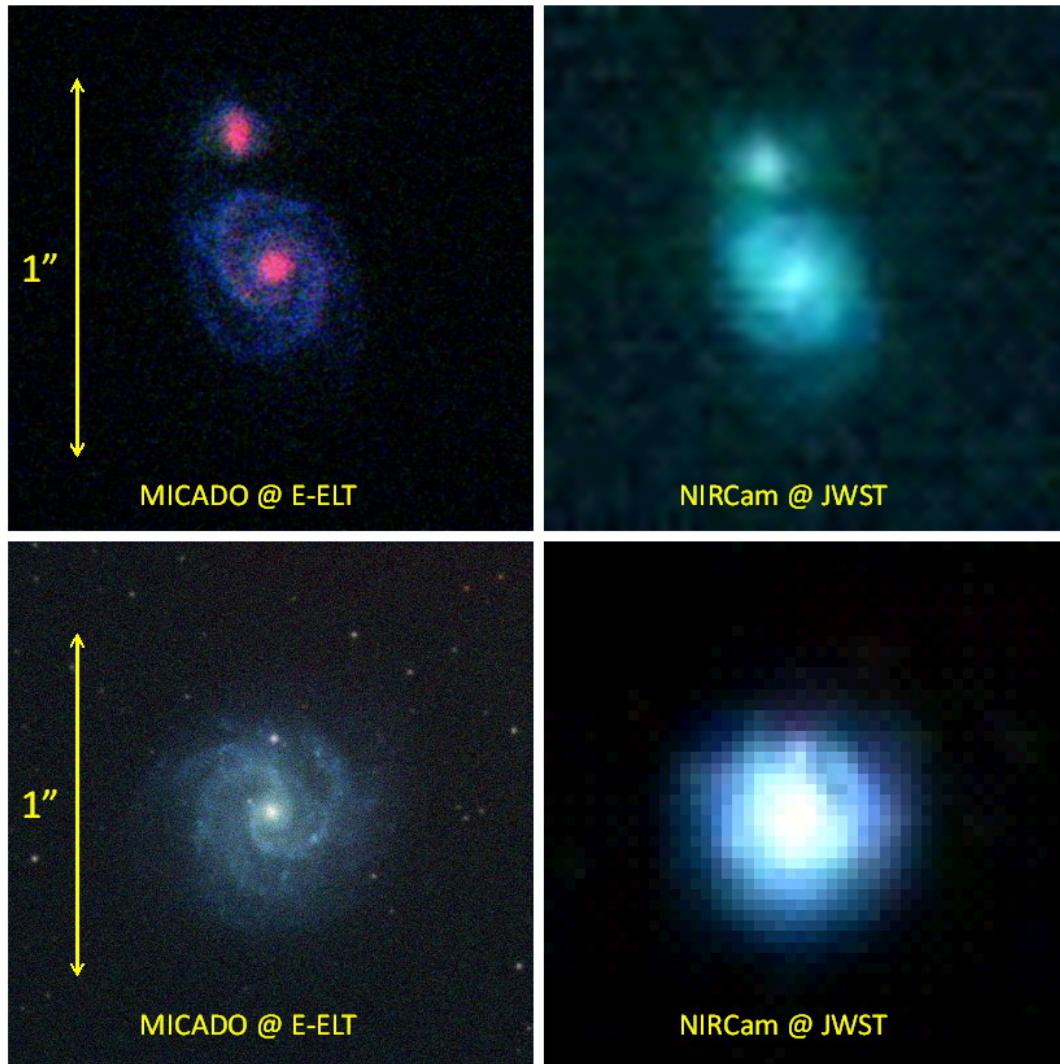
JWST will select samples & measure basic galaxy properties

MICADO will trace stellar continuum & provide detailed structure

HARMONI will give kinematics & emission line distribution (but more limited spatial sampling)

ALMA will trace molecular component

All are needed to answer:
What are the physical processes driving their evolution?



combined JHK images of local templates (BVR bands)
shifted to $z=2$ (top) and $z=1$ (bottom), with $R_{\text{eff}}=0.5''$ and
 $M_V=-21$. 5hrs integration.

Intermediate-Conclusion:

What is done currently by 8/10m MCAO NIR
(MAD/GeMS/Linc Nirvana) will be fully covered
by MICADO / JWST / TMT-NFIRAOS

So what's left for an 8m MCAO NIR ?

Current MCAO NIR are imaging only.
(Except GeMS that will provide MOS with Flamingos 2 in a couple of years)



Multiple Object Spectroscopy (IFUs ?), or spectro-imaging
behind an MCAO NIR might be appealing

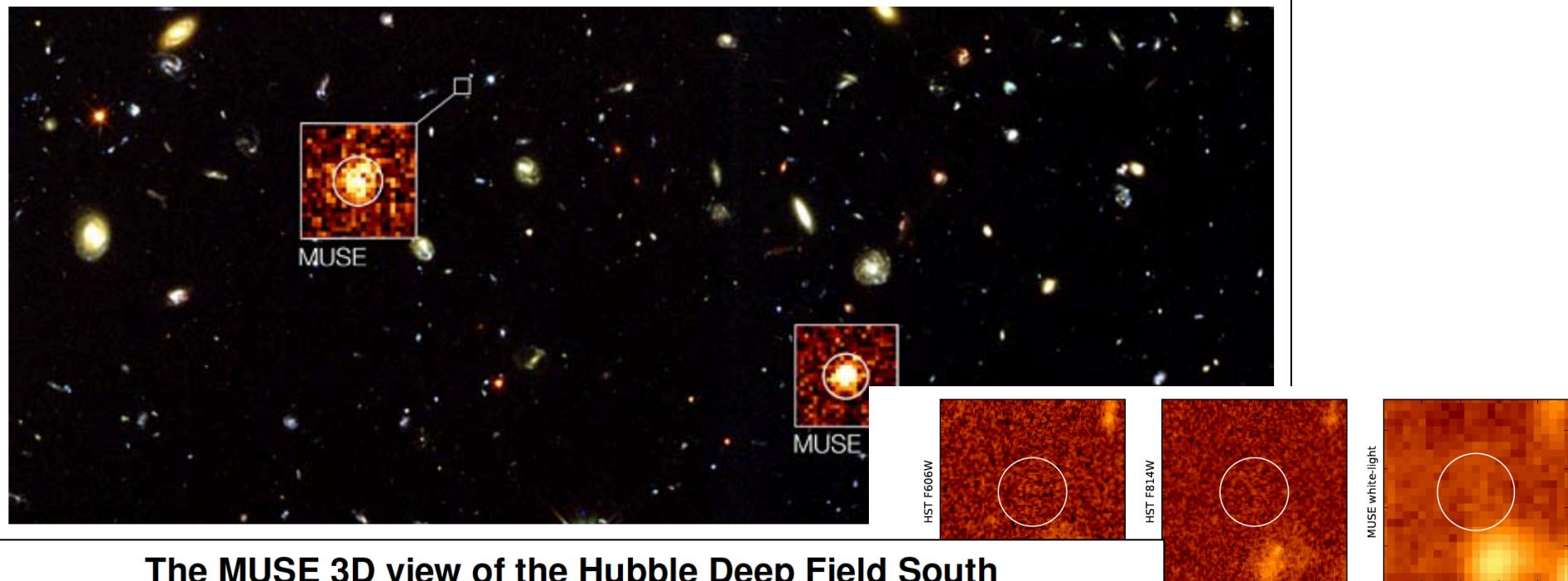
Can we build a NIR MUSE ?

Looking Deeply into the Universe in 3D

See J. Vernet
Presentation

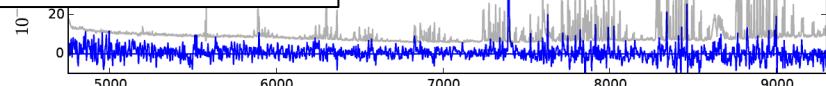
MUSE goes beyond Hubble

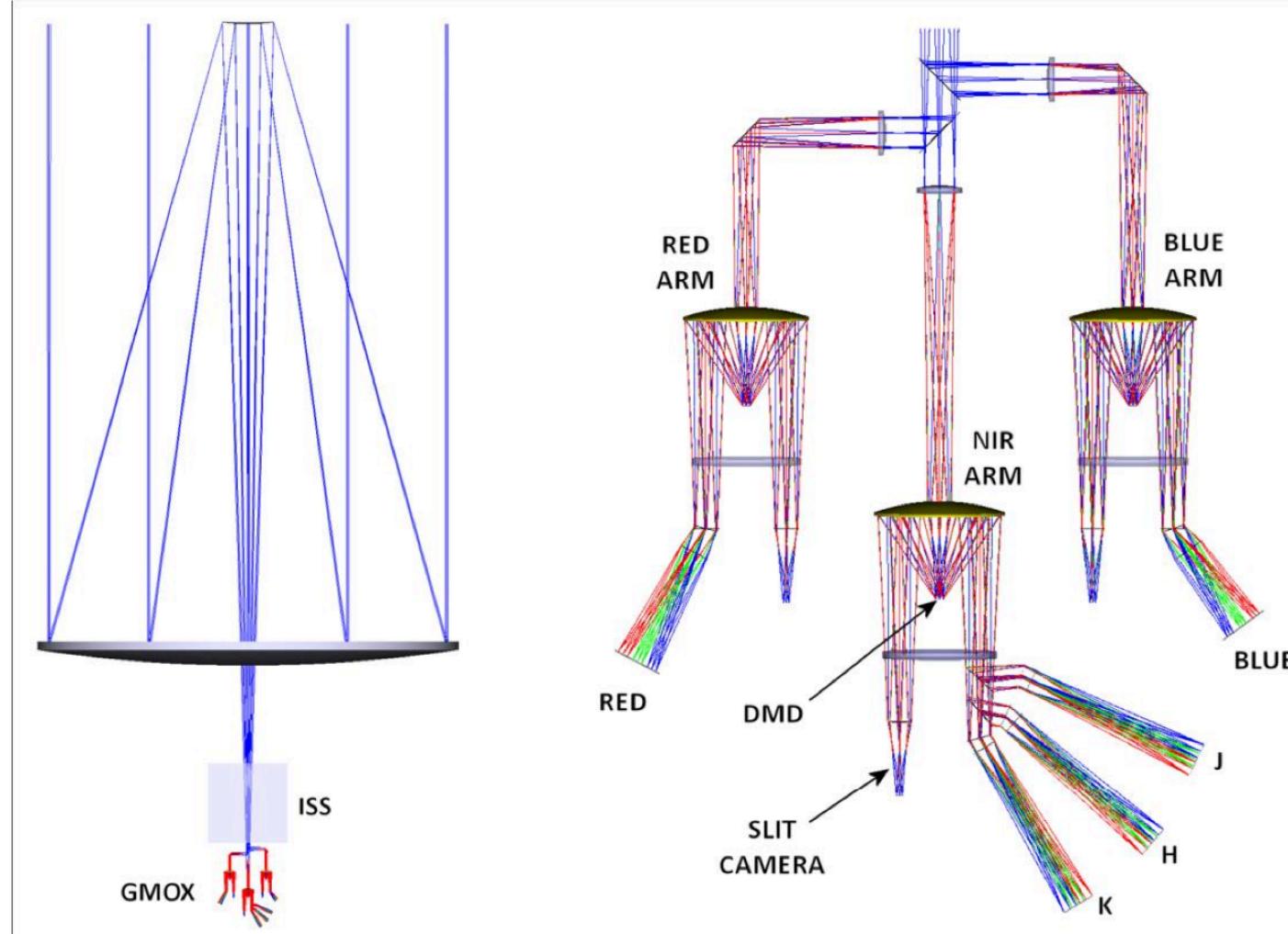
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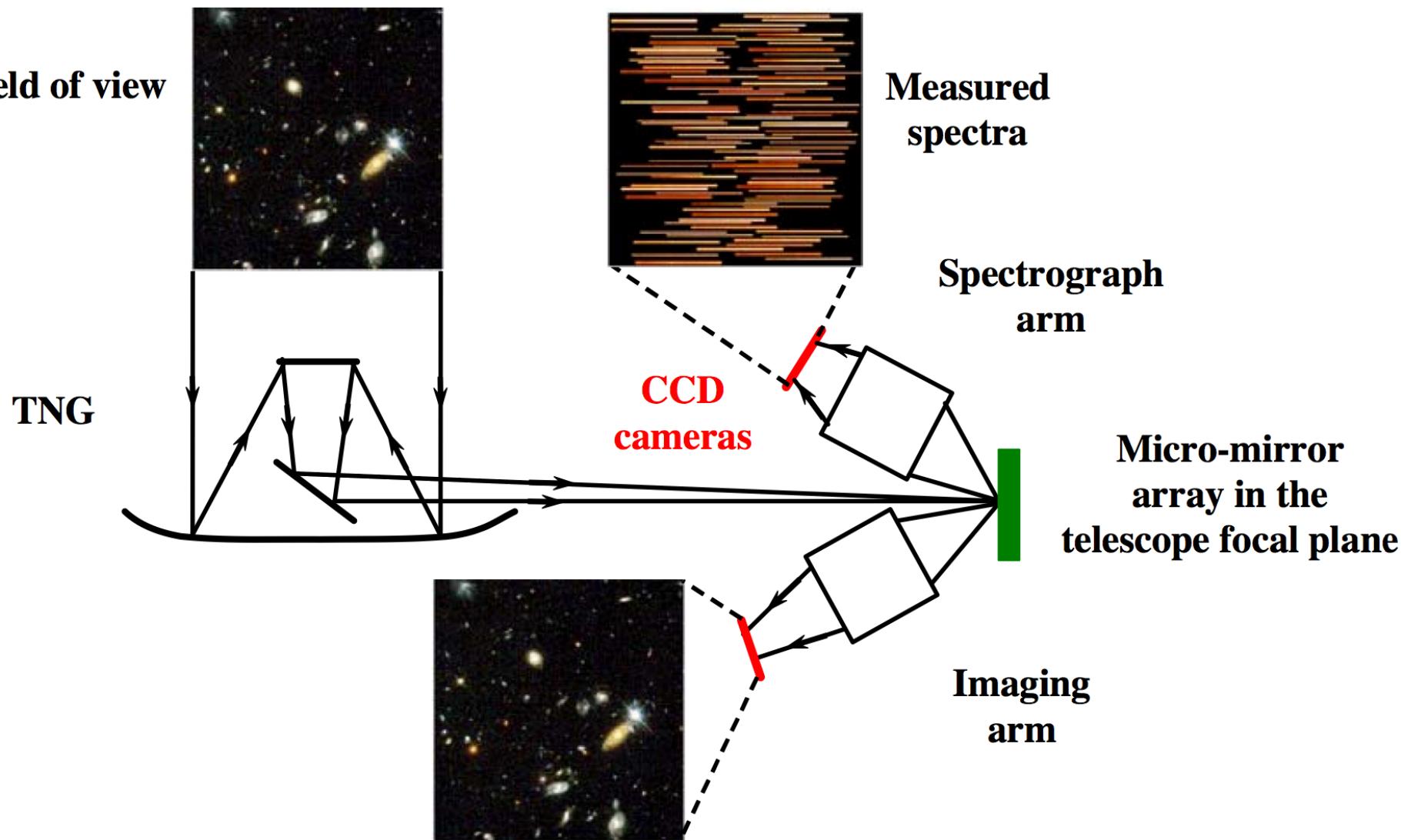
The MUSE 3D view of the Hubble Deep Field South

R. Bacon¹, J. Brinchmann², J. Richard¹, T. Contini^{3,4}, A. Drake¹, M. Franx², S. Tacchella⁵, J. Vernet⁶, L. Wisotzki⁷, J. Blaizot¹, N. Bouché^{3,4}, R. Bouwens², S. Cantalupo⁵, C.M. Carollo⁵, D. Carton², J. Caruana⁷, B. Clément¹, S. Dreizler⁸, B. Epinat^{3,4,9}, B. Guiderdoni¹, C. Herenz⁷, T.-O. Husser⁸, S. Kamann⁸, J. Kerutt⁷, W. Kollatschny⁸, D. Krajnovic⁷, S. Lilly⁵, T. Martinsson², L. Michel-Dansac¹, V. Patricio¹, J. Schaye², M. Shirazi⁵, K. Soto⁵, G. Soucail^{3,4}, M. Steinmetz⁷, T. Urrutia⁷, P. Weilbacher⁷, and T. de Zeeuw^{6,2}





- **Wide-bandwith spectrograph: $0.32 - 2.4\mu\text{m}$**
- **Moderate resolution: $R \sim 5,000$**
- **Multi-object spectrograph: 2.1M selectable slits over a few arcmin field.**
- **Excellent follow-up capabilities: wide-band spectroscopy and parallel imaging.**



Conclusions

The performance provided by a MCAO NIR instrument will be in direct competition with JWST/EELT/TMT.



A competitive instrument for an MCAO-VLT, in the NIR, would have to provide unique capabilities:

- Wide Field IFUs (MUSE-like)
- Parallel observations (e.g. Spectro + imaging, NIR+Visible, ...)

- Announcement -

- Looking for a post-doc to work on VLT3 instrument at LAM
- 2 years
- Start date can be any time from now to mid-2017
- Can be more technological, or more “astro”

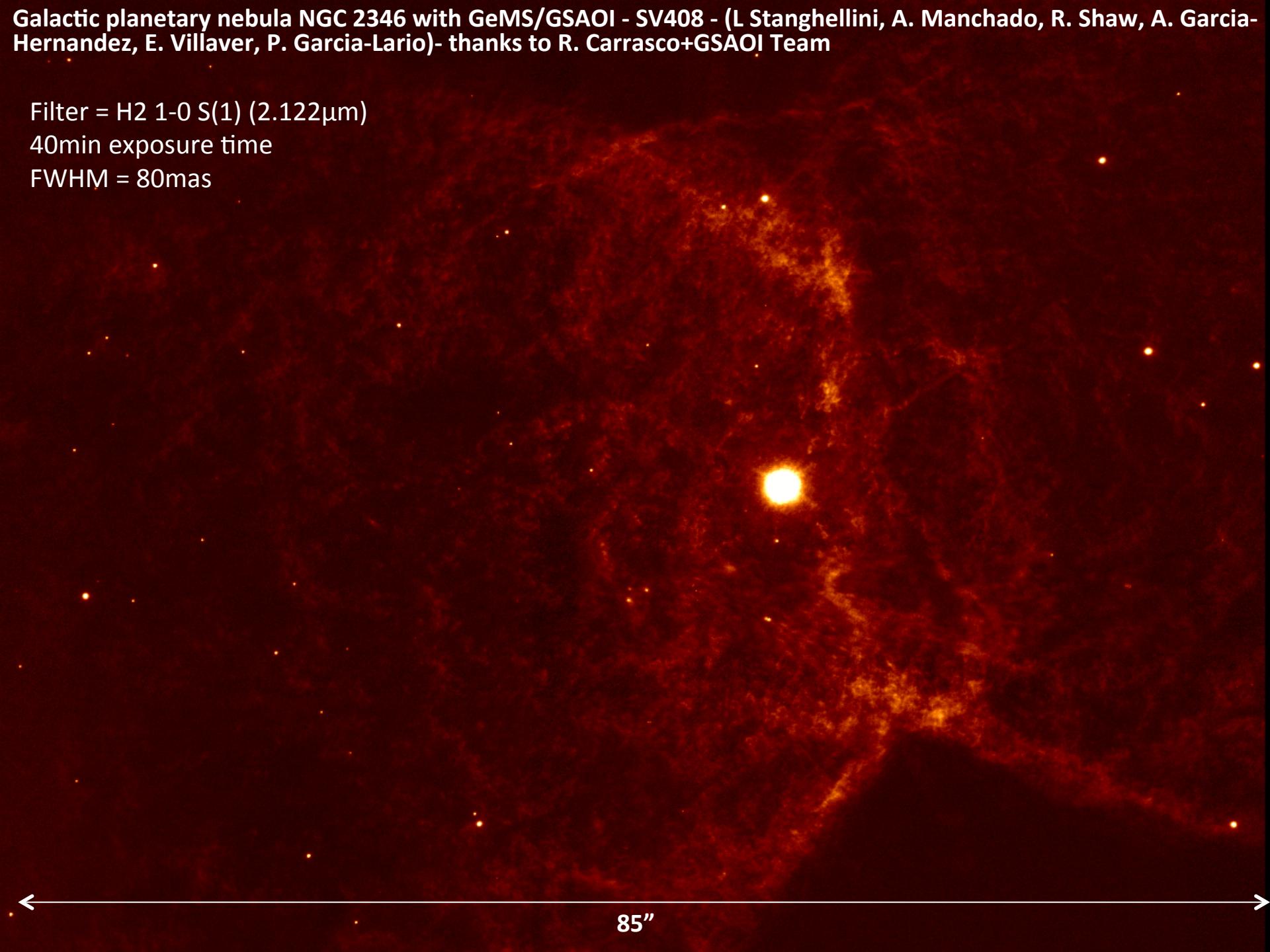
If you know good candidates, please forward the information !!

Galactic planetary nebula NGC 2346 with GeMS/GSAOI - SV408 - (L Stanghellini, A. Manchado, R. Shaw, A. Garcia-Hernandez, E. Villaver, P. Garcia-Lario)- thanks to R. Carrasco+GSAOI Team

Filter = H₂ 1-0 S(1) (2.122μm)

40min exposure time

FWHM = 80mas



85''

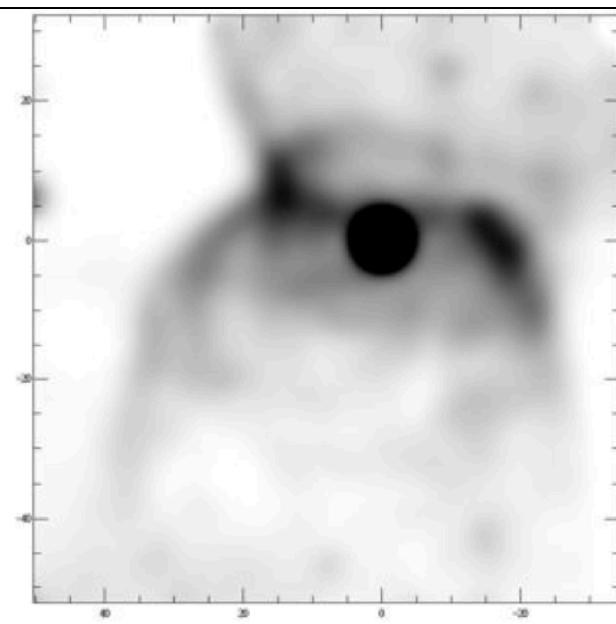
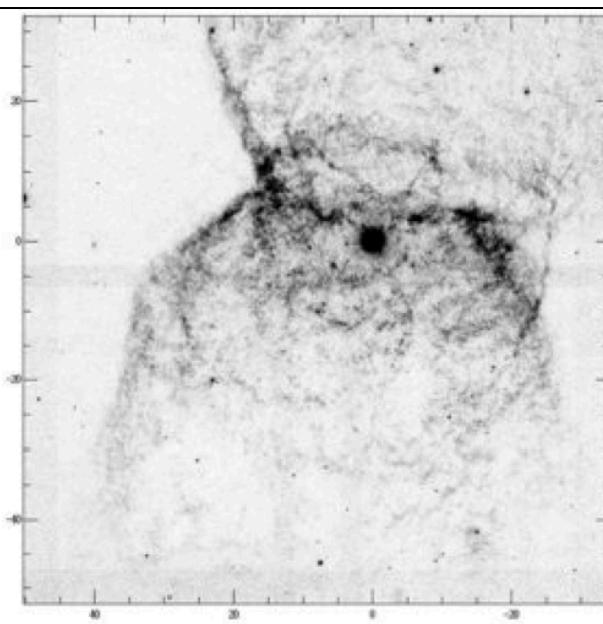
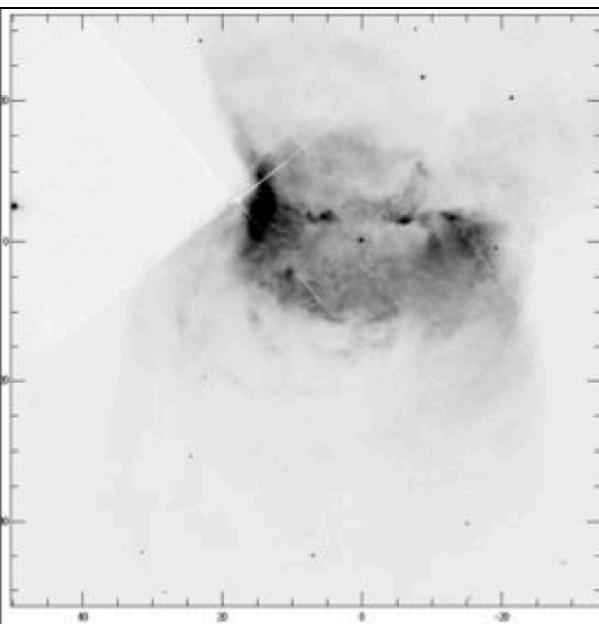
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High resolution imaging of NGC 2346 with GSAOI/GeMS: disentangling the planetary nebula molecular structure to understand its origin and evolution.

Arturo Manchado^{1,2,3}, Letizia Stanghellini⁴, Eva Villaver⁵, Guillermo García-Segura⁶, Richard A. Shaw⁴ & D. A. García-Hernández^{1,2}



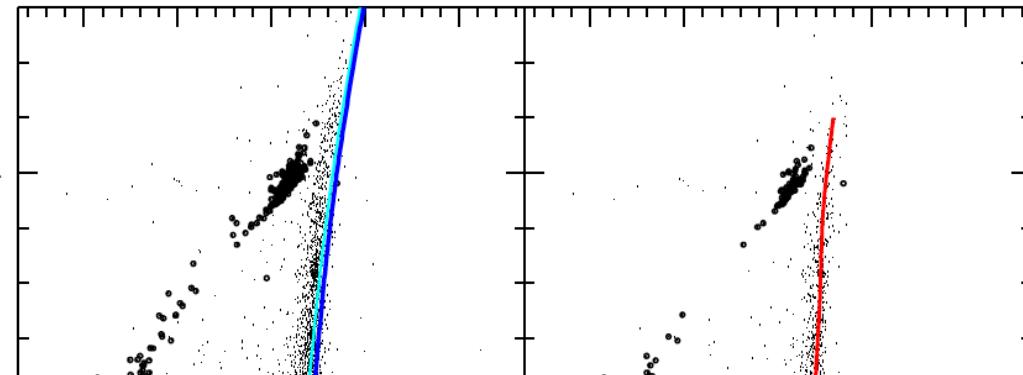
HST H image

GeMS H₂ image

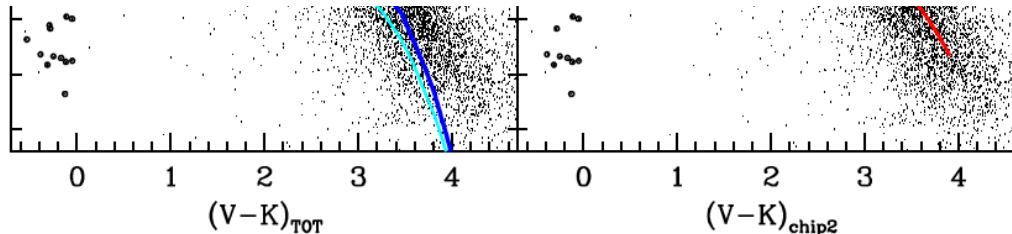
low seeing image

GeMS MCAO observations of the Galactic globular cluster NGC 2808: the absolute age

D. Massari^{1,2}, G. Fiorentino¹, A. McConnachie³, G. Bono^{4,5}, M. Dall’Ora⁶, I. Ferraro⁵, G. Iannicola⁵, P.B. Stetson³, P. Turri⁷, and E. Tolstoy²



Results. We found that NGC 2808 has an age of $t = 10.9 \pm 0.7$ (intrinsic) ± 0.45 (metallicity term) Gyr. A possible contamination by He-enhanced population could make the cluster up to 0.25 Gyr older. Although this age estimate agrees with the age coming from the classical turn off method ($t = 11.0$ Gyr), its uncertainty is a factor ~ 3 better, since it avoids systematics in reddening, distance assumptions and photometric zero points determination. The final absolute age indicates that NGC 2808 is slightly younger than other Galactic globular clusters with similar metallicity.



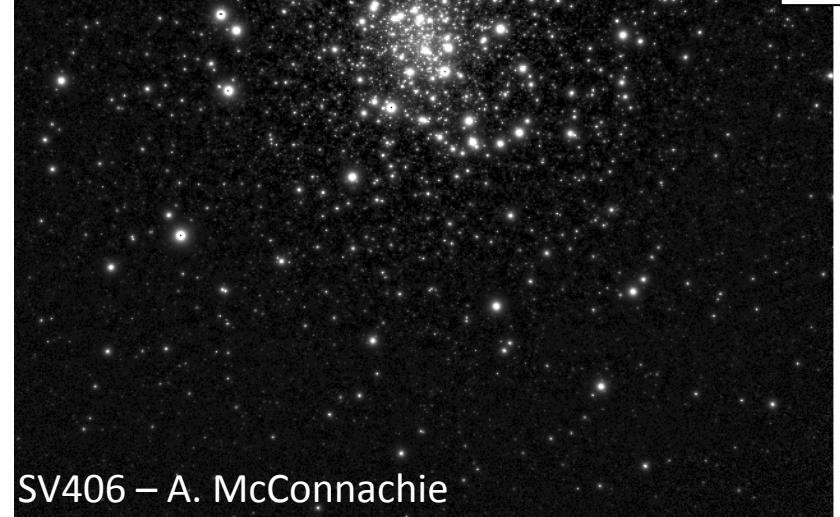


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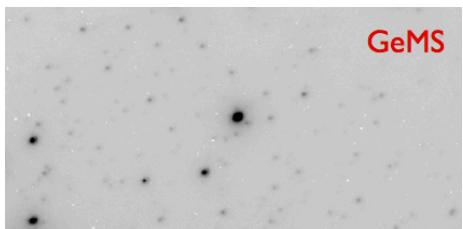
TOWARDS PRECISION PHOTOMETRY WITH EXTREMELY LARGE TELESCOPES:
THE DOUBLE SUBGIANT BRANCH OF NGC 1851

P. TURRI¹

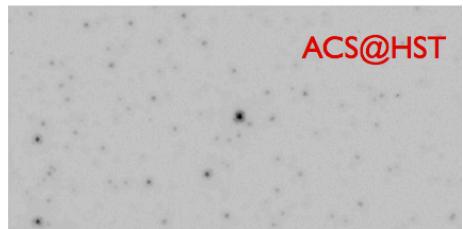
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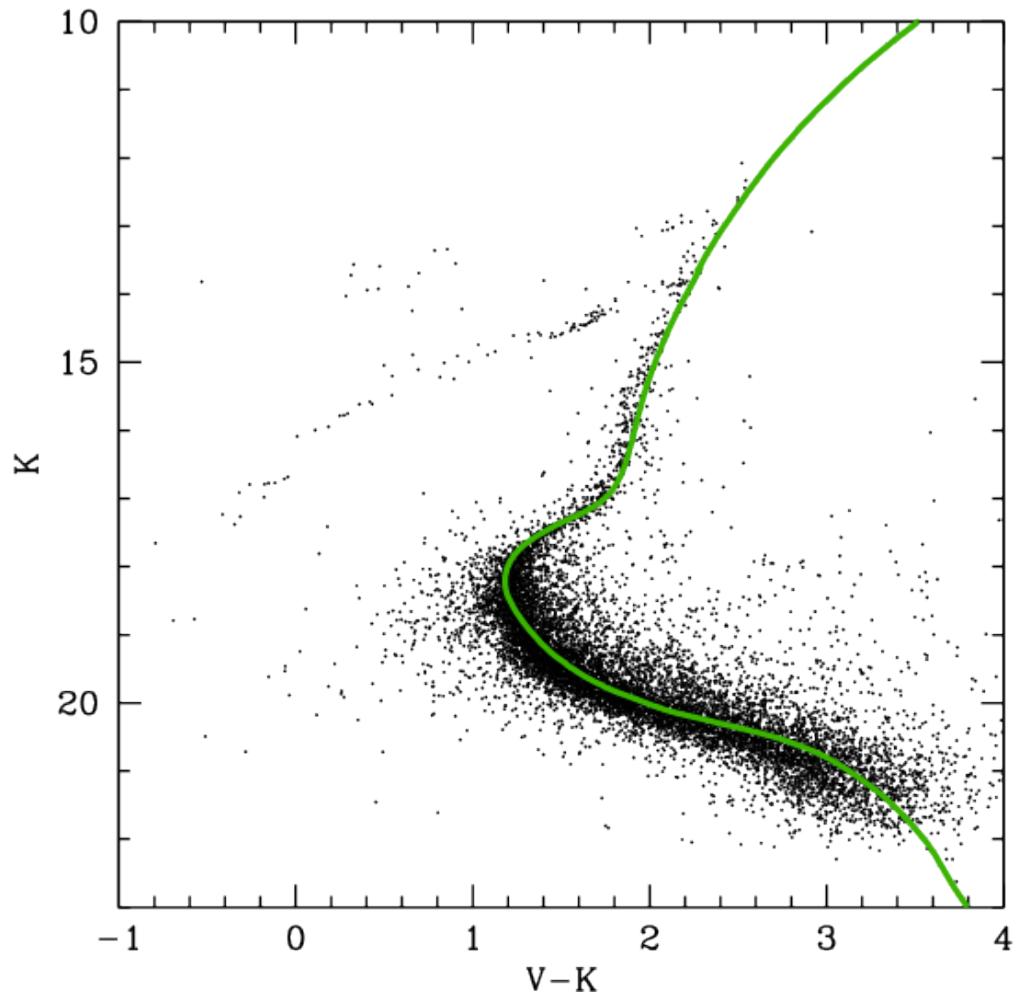
SV406 – A. McConnachie



80mas



50mas



P. Turri – PhD thesis

Ultra-deep GEMINI near-infrared observations of the bulge globular cluster NGC 6624¹

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"By adopting the MS-TO fitting method, we determined an absolute age of about 12.0+/-0.5 Gyrs.

The LF and MF show significant signatures of mass segregation. The number of low-mass stars gradually increases from the innermost to the outskirts. This confirms that NGC6624 is a dynamically old cluster, already relaxed"

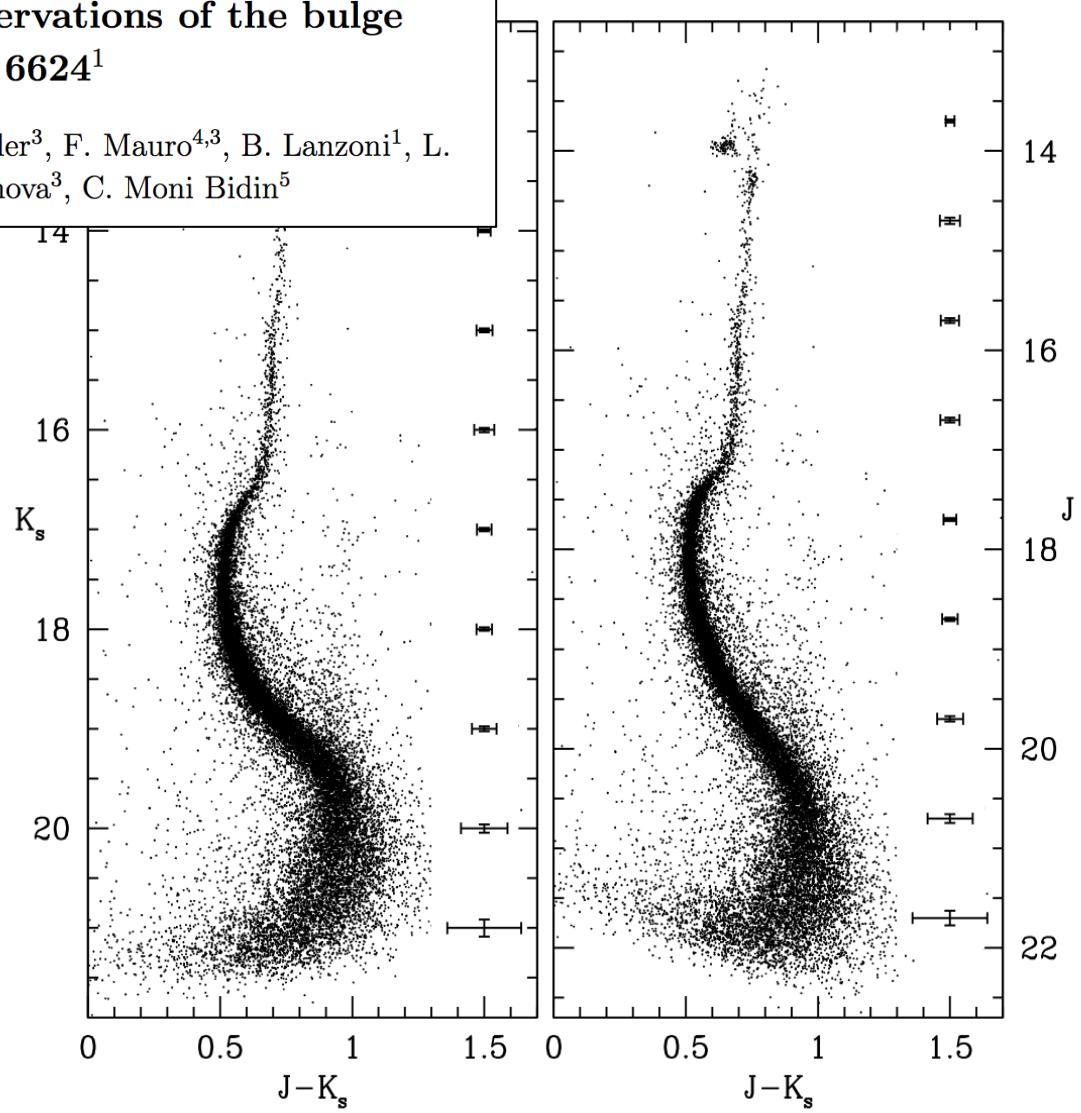
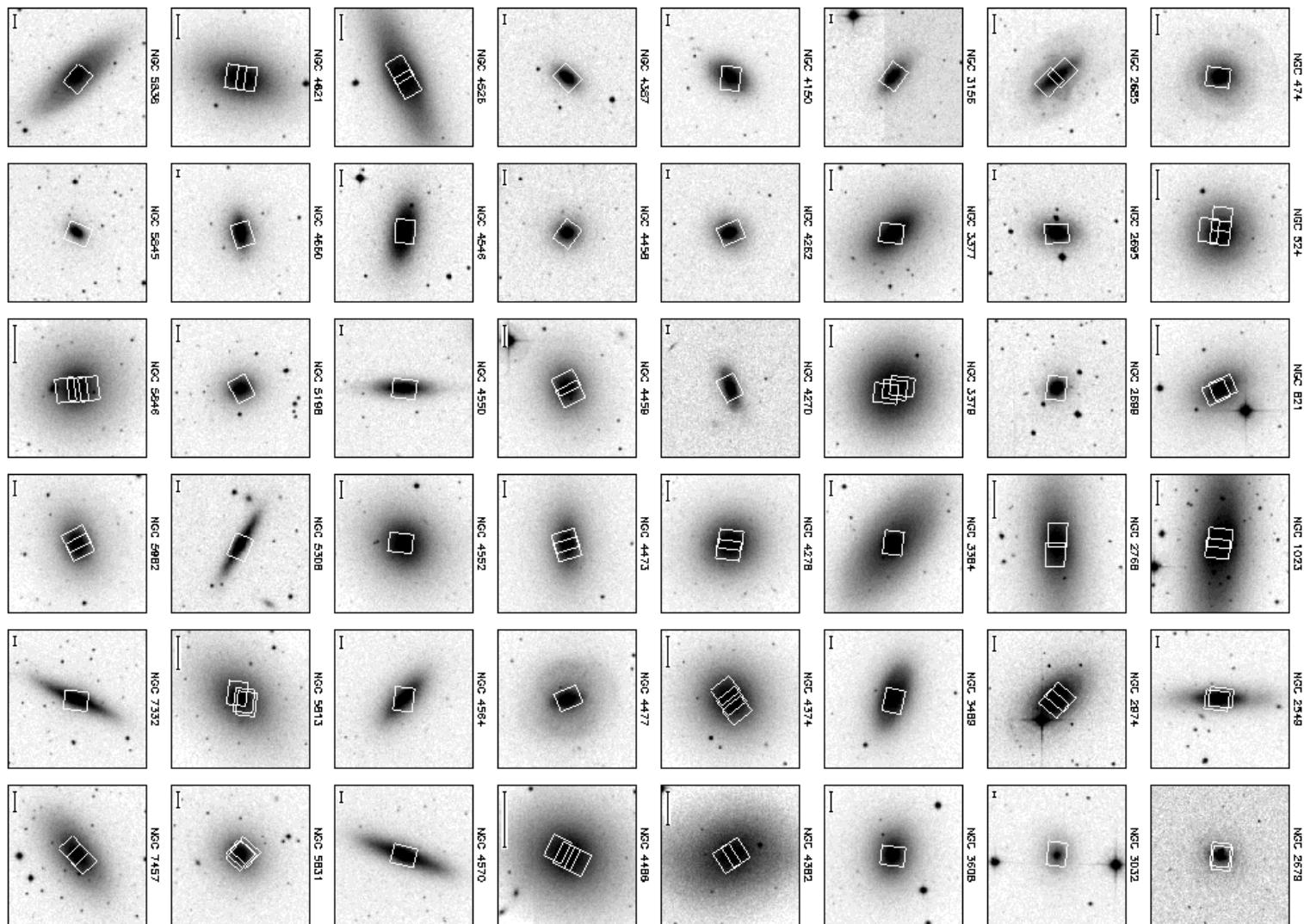


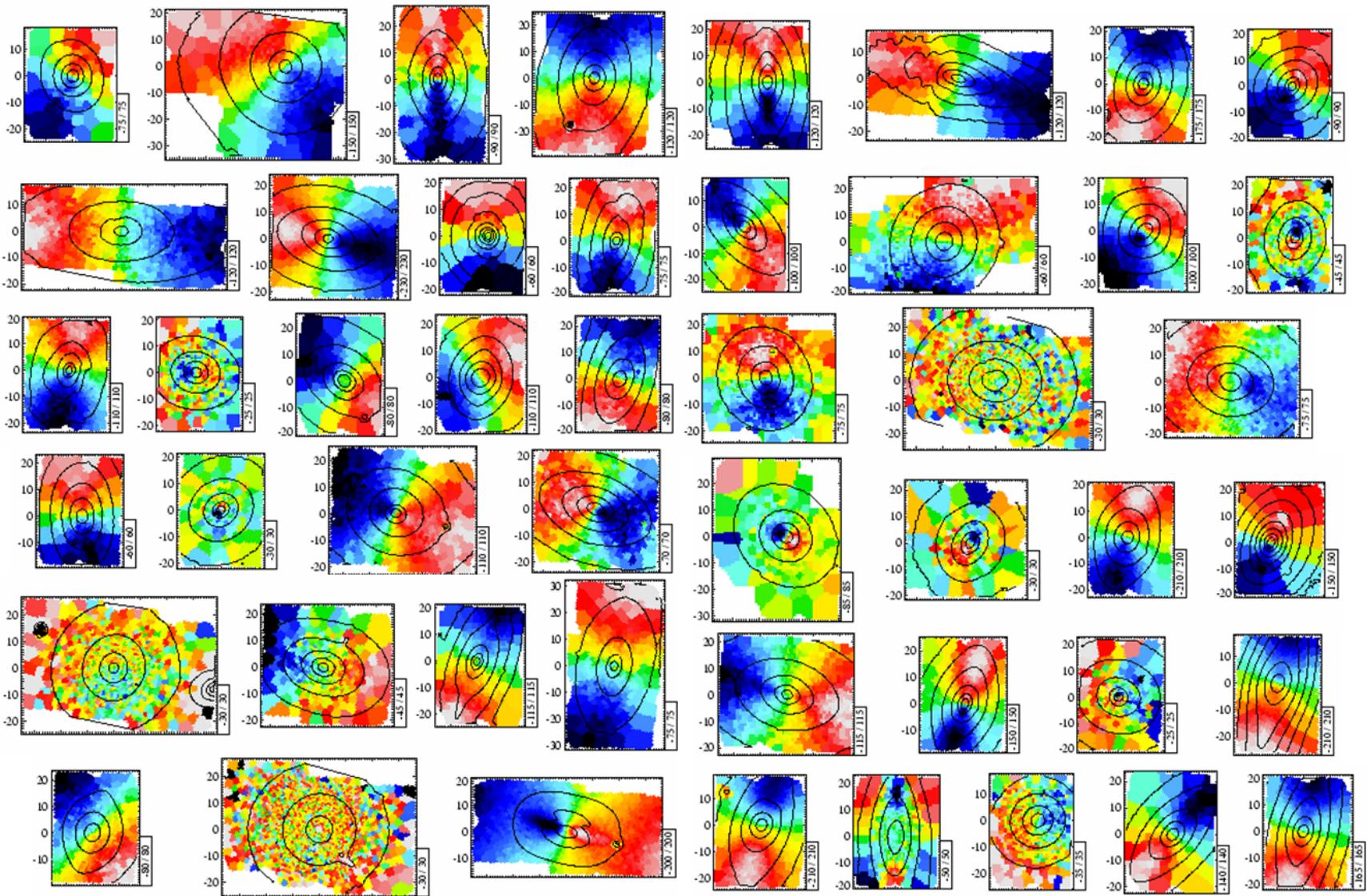
Fig. 5.— $(K_s, J - K_s)$ and $(J, J - K_s)$ CMDs of NGC 6624 obtained from the GEMINI observations discussed in the paper. All the main evolutionary sequences of the cluster are well visible, from the RGB, HB, MS-TO down to the MS-K. These NIR diagrams turn out to be comparable to the HST optical ones, both in depth and in photometric accuracy. The photometric errors for each bin of K_s and J magnitudes are shown on the right side of the panels.

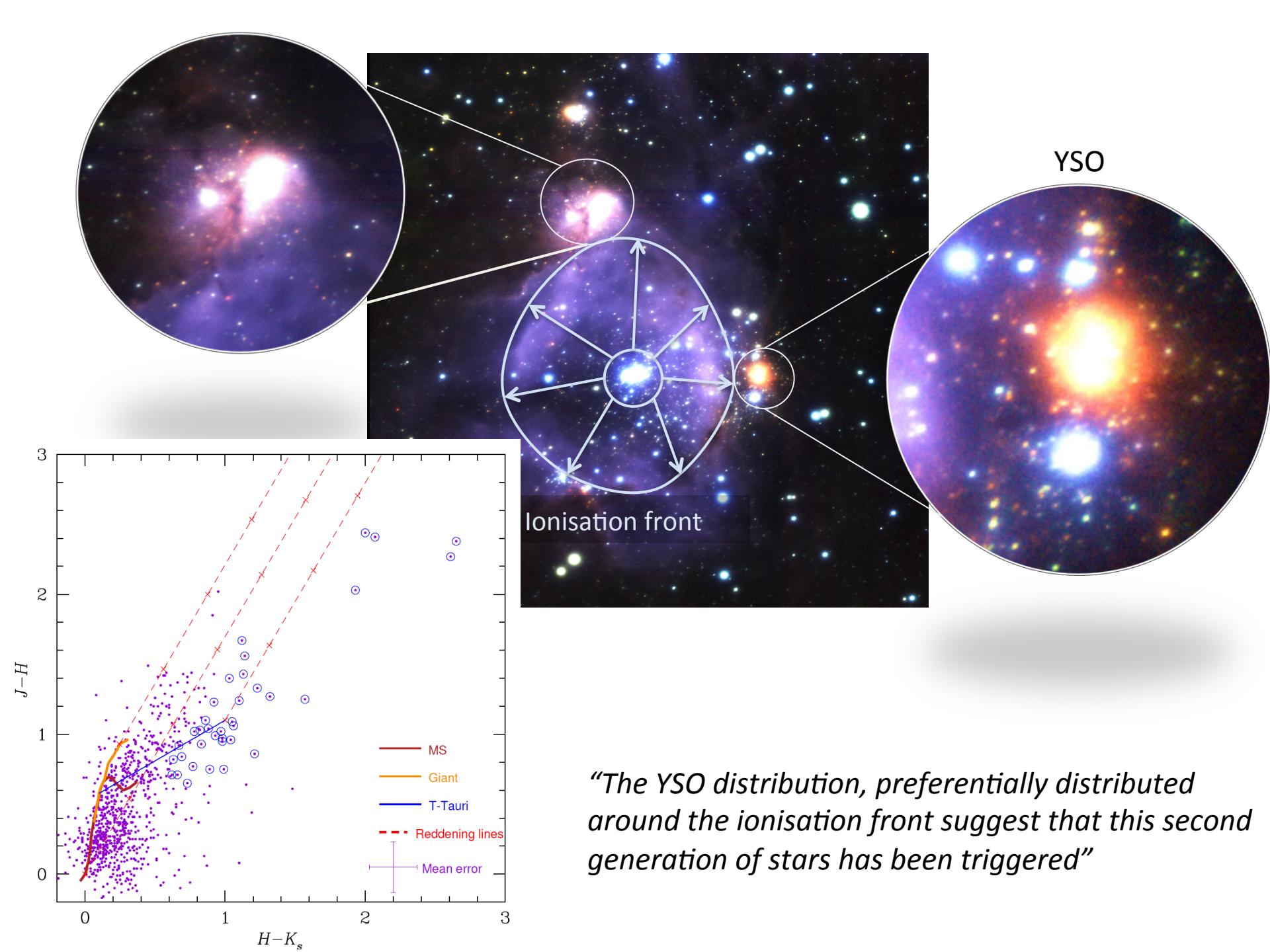
SAURON Survey: 48 ETGs

Aim: Cover one effective radius = half the light



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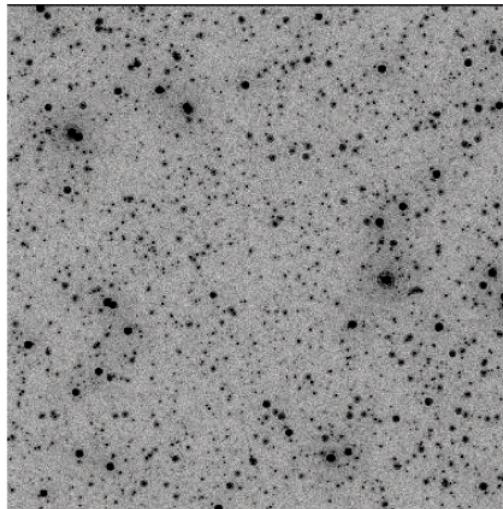




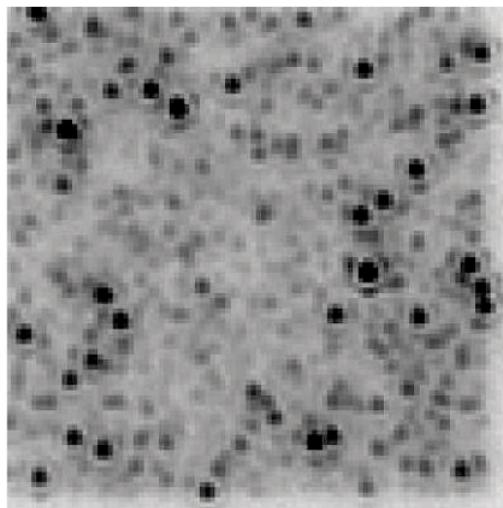
Anticipating the ELTs

Resolution gives an effective sensitivity gain wrt JWST – cf. 3mag for MAD vs ISAAC.
Can probe tip of RGB out to Virgo ($\delta_{\text{Virgo}} = +12.5^\circ$, zd at transit is $37^\circ \rightarrow$ seeing $\sim 0.1''$ worse)

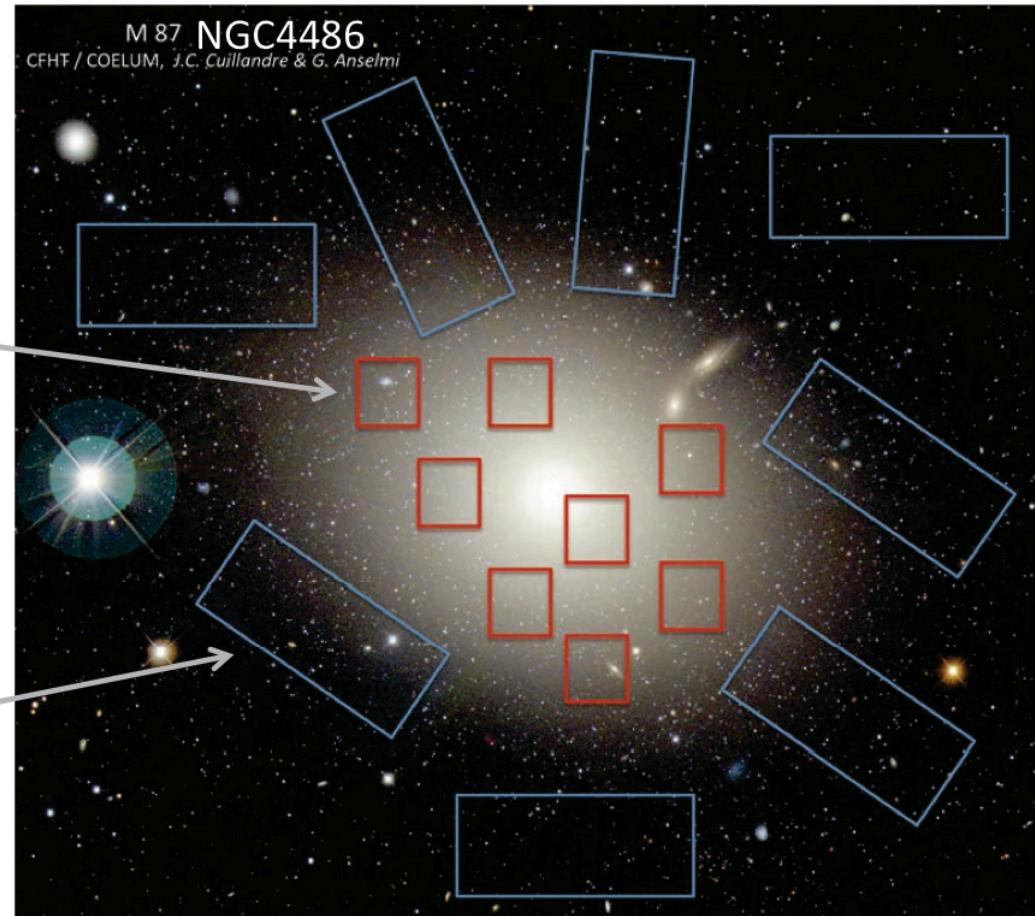
5-hr K-band simulated exposures



MICADO
@ E-ELT



NIRCAM
@ JWST



(Slide from Ric Davies)

Star Clusters



FWHM = 0.08"

FWHM= 0.33"

FWHM= 0.75"

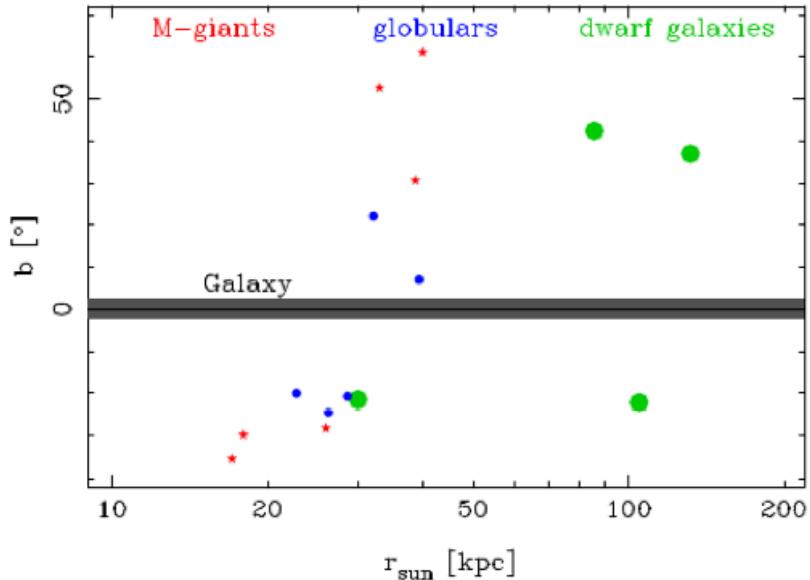
GSAOI

HAWK-I

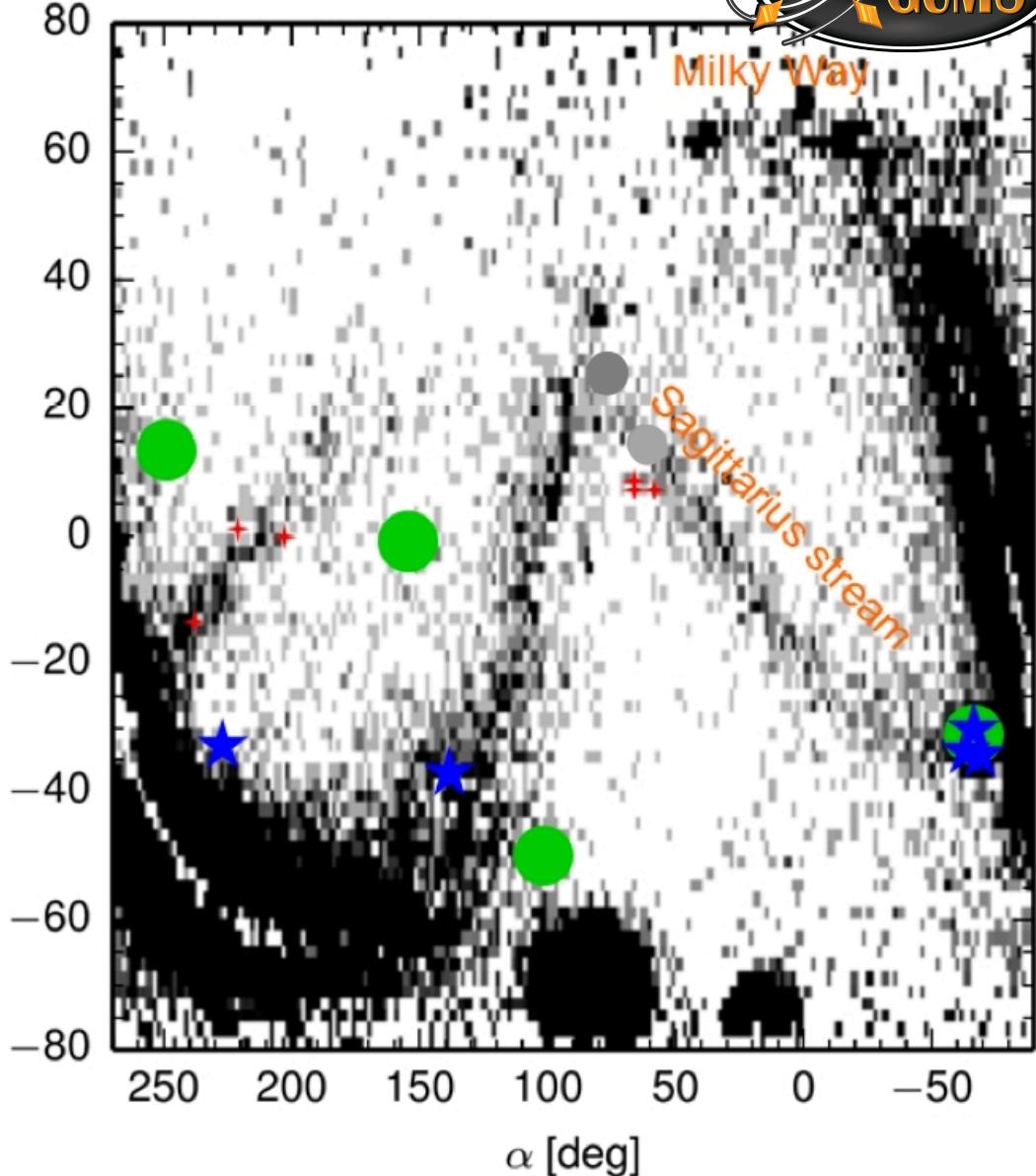
8" x 8" WFI

GSAOI 85" x 85"





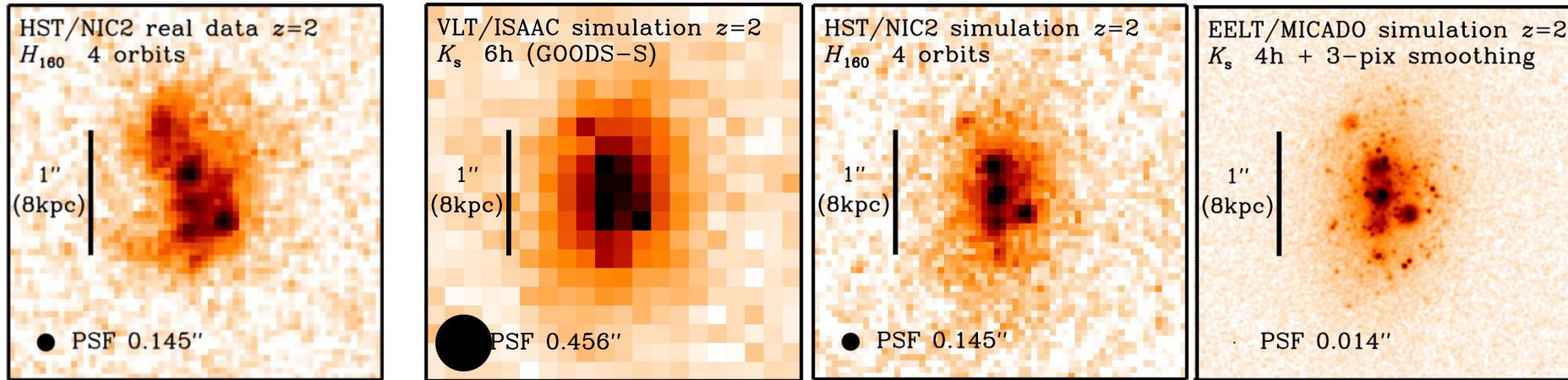
- **15 targets**
- **6 M-giants in the Sagittarius stream**
- **5 globulars**
 - 3 possible members of Sagittarius system: Arp 2, Terzan 7, Terzan 8
 - 2 others in outer halo: NGC5824, Pyxis
- **4 dwarf galaxies:**
 - Sagittarius, Hercules, Sextant, Carina



M-giant density map from Koposov et al. 2015

(Slide from Tobias Fritz)

Galaxies at High Redshift



simulation of a large bright disk galaxy at $z = 2.3$ ($R_{1/2} = 5$ kpc, $K_{AB} = 21.3$), showing that one can measure sizes, distribution and luminosity functions of compact clusters to $K_{AB} \sim 28.5$

spectroscopy: - metallicity, extinction, stellar populations, outflows (AGN)
- relations between mass, SFR, metallicity

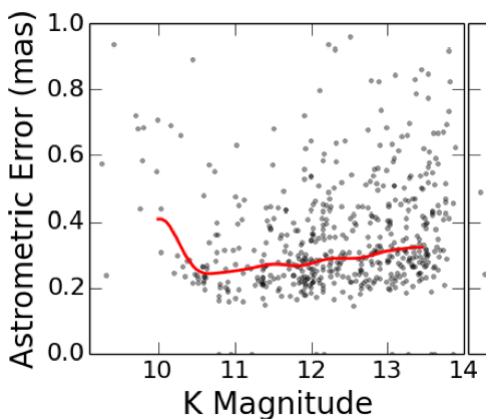
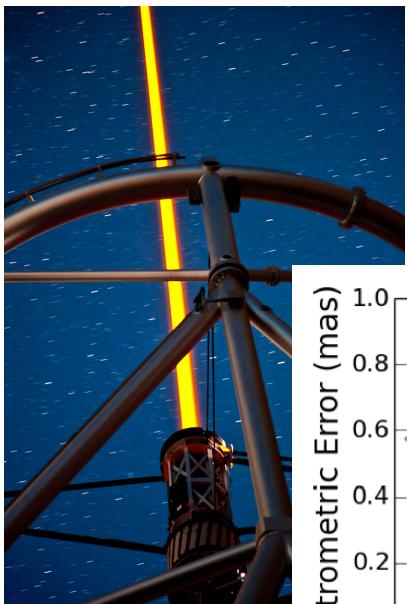
Absorption line diagnostics of early type galaxies at $z \sim 0.5$ to 1.0

- Target clusters of galaxies, with high number density
- Well understood Lick indices redshifted into 0.8 to 1.3 micron region
- Chemical abundance evolution (and gradients) as well as IMF variation with formation process and cosmic epoch are key goals
- Kinematics of stars allows classification into fast and slow rotators (widely believed to be well connected to formation processes).

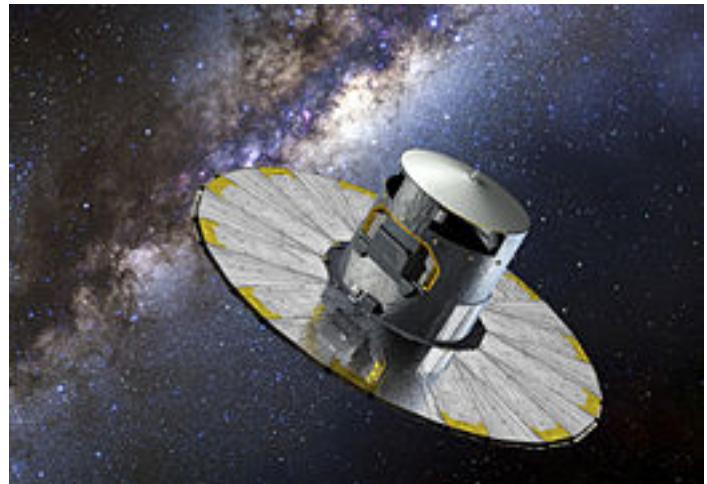
Emission line galaxies at higher redshift

- Galaxy assembly at $z > 2$ and test early stellar formation of massive galaxies at $z = 1$
- Internal properties such as dynamical state, distribution of mass, star formation regions provide test for models
- Distinguish between chaotic or well-ordered velocity fields

Ground based AO vs. GAIA



Visible vs. NIR



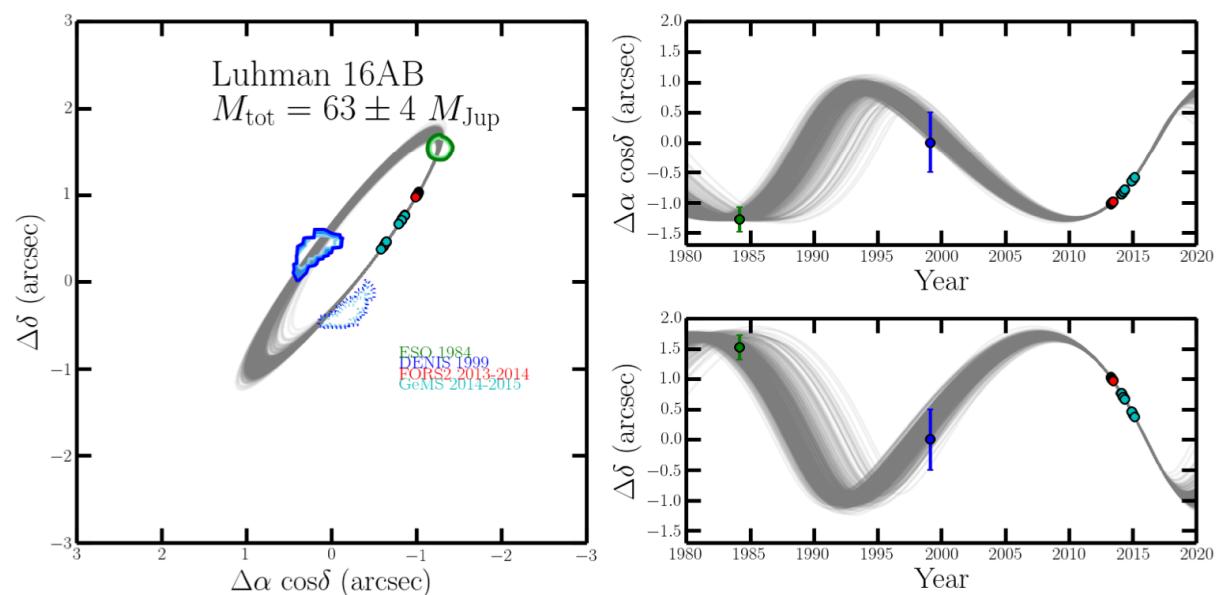
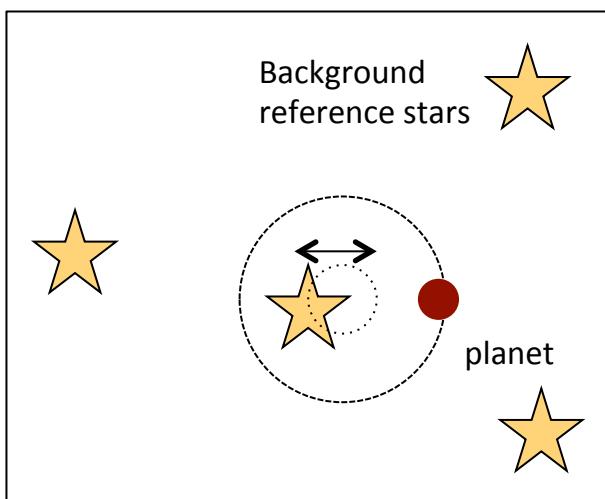
Bright stars	5-16 μ as (3 mag < V < 12 mag)
V = 15 mag	26 μ as
V = 20 mag	600 μ as

Crowding



Individual, Model-Independent Masses of the Closest Known Brown Dwarf Binary to the Sun

E. Victor Garcia¹, S. Mark Ammons¹, Maissa Salama², Jeff Chilcote³, Vincent Garrel⁴, James R. Graham⁵, Paul Kalas⁵, Quinn Konopacky⁶, Jessica R. Lu², Bruce Macintosh⁷, Eduardo Marin⁴, Christian Marois^{8,9} Eric Nielsen^{7,10}, Benoît Neichel¹¹, Don Pham¹, Robert J. De Rosa⁵, Dominic M. Ryan⁵, Maxwell Service², Gaetano Sivo⁴

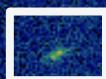
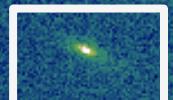


"We constrain the individual masses and mutual orbit parameters of the Luhman 16 AB binary brown dwarf system. The masses are constrained to be 0.025 ± 0.0020 for the northwest T dwarf and 0.033 ± 0.0020 for the southeastern L dwarf. Luhman 16 AB represents the second individual mass measurement for any L or T field brown dwarfs."

COSMOS Field

FWHM 80mas
SR ~ 25% in Ks
FWHM = 70mas
20min exposure

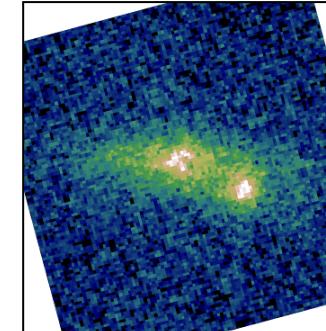
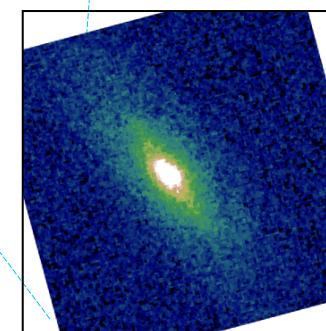
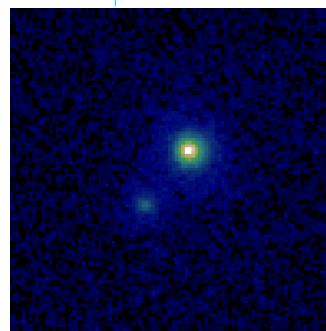
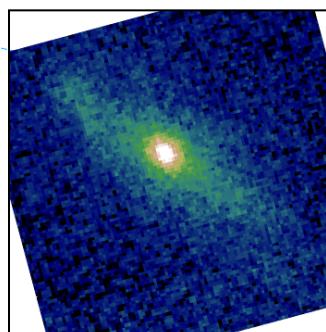
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GeMS

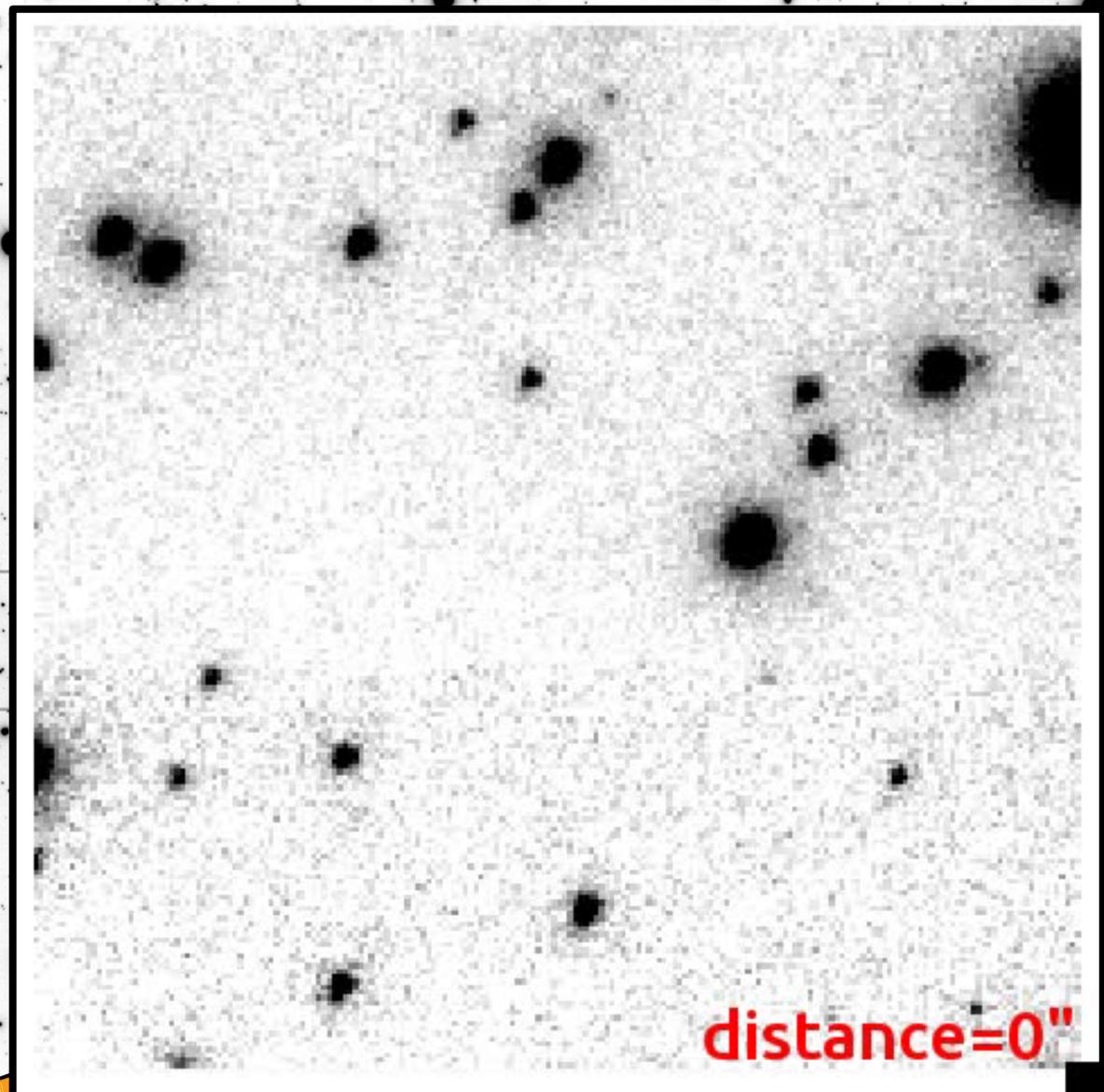
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Z = 0.37

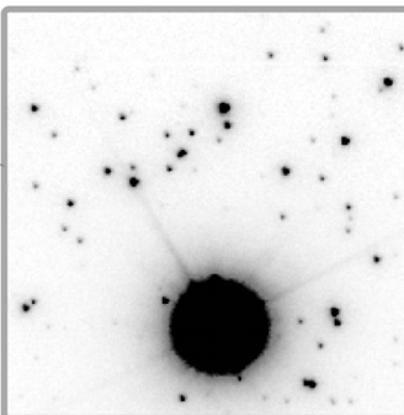
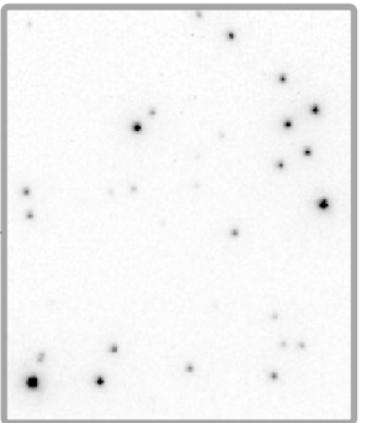
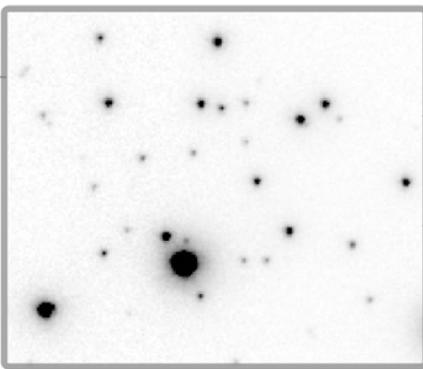


Z = 0.72

Gemini Observatory, GeMS-GSAOI first light



NGC288, H band
13mn exposure
Field of View 87" \times 87"
FWHM = 0.080"
FWHM rms = 0.002"



Can we build a NIR MUSE ?

- Desire 0.1" resolution (100 mas), so 50 mas sampling.
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Another approach would be to use multi-IFUs, but we loose the “blind discovery”

Multi-IFUs:

- Desire 0.1" resolution (100 mas), so 50 mas sampling. $64 \times 32 = 2048$ spatial elements per IFU, results in **3.2" x 1.6" FoV per IFU**.
- A single 4K x 4K detector can accommodate 4 IFU, 2 in spatial direction, and 2 in spectral direction.
- 3 detectors gives **multiplex of 12**

How competitive would that be compared to JWST IFU ? And MOSAIC ?