New era of asteroid-family studies:
with adaptive-optics observations of big asteroids

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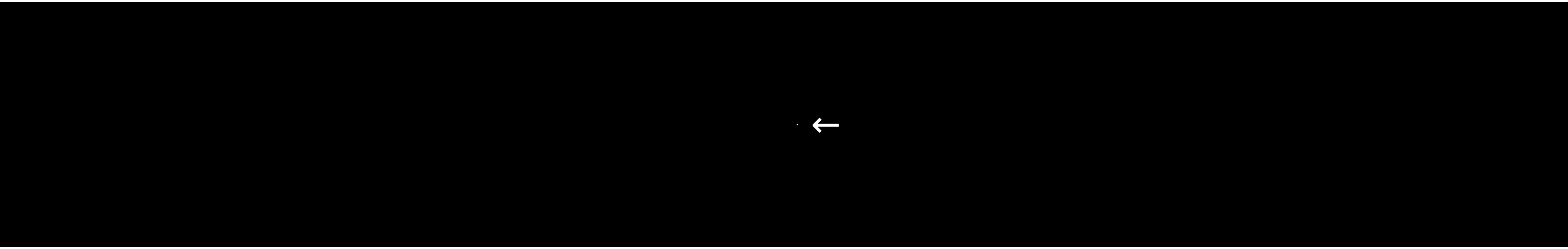

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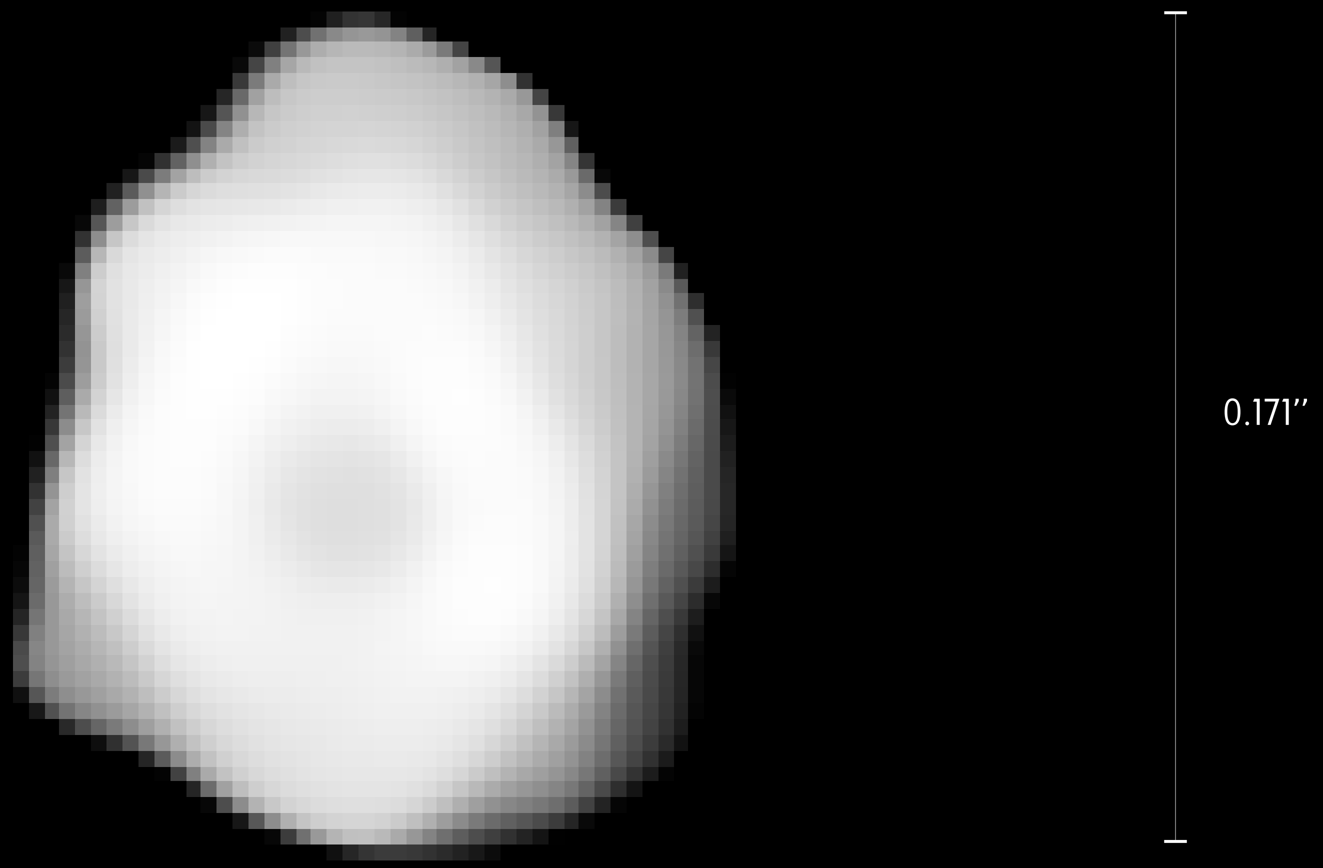
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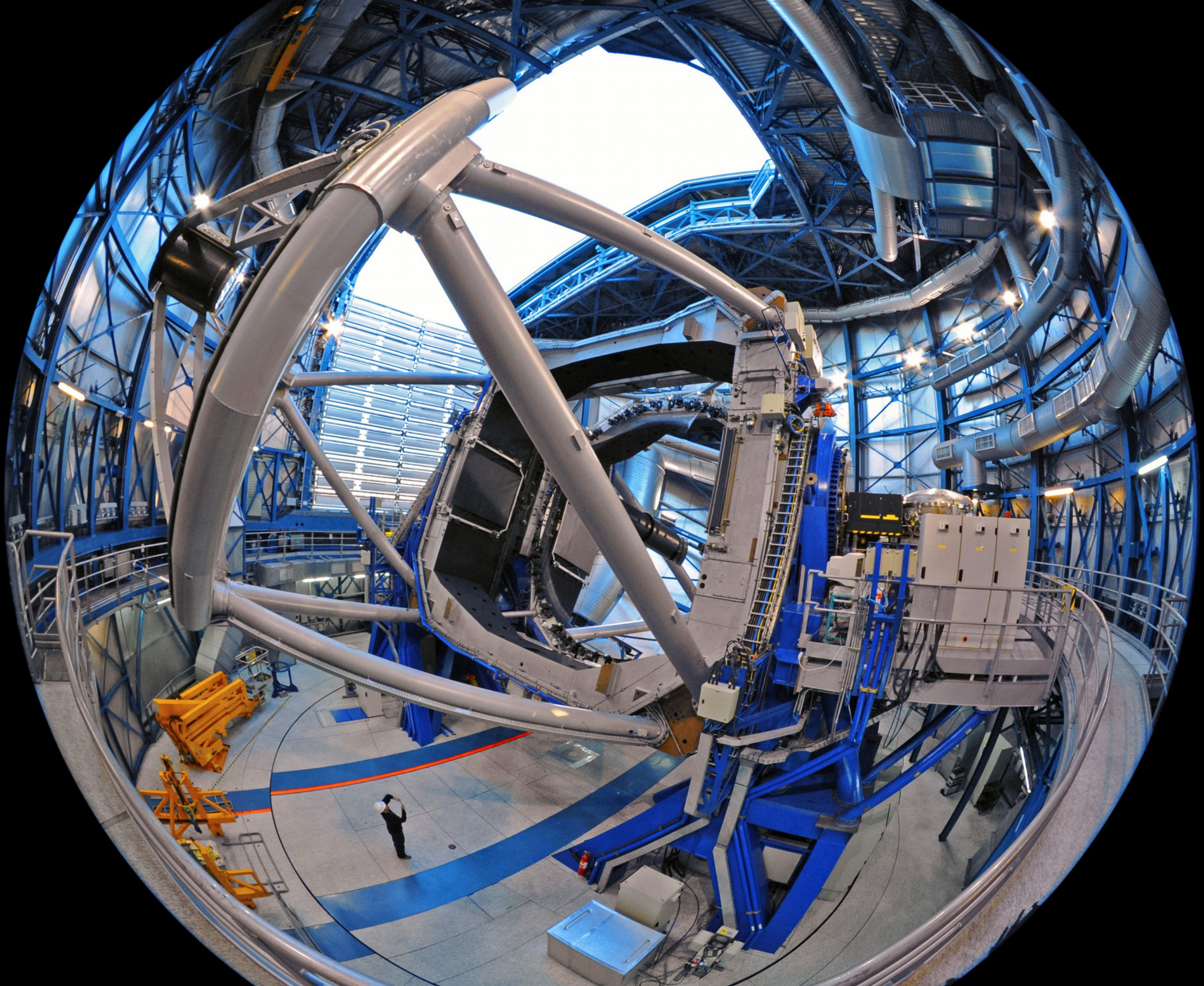

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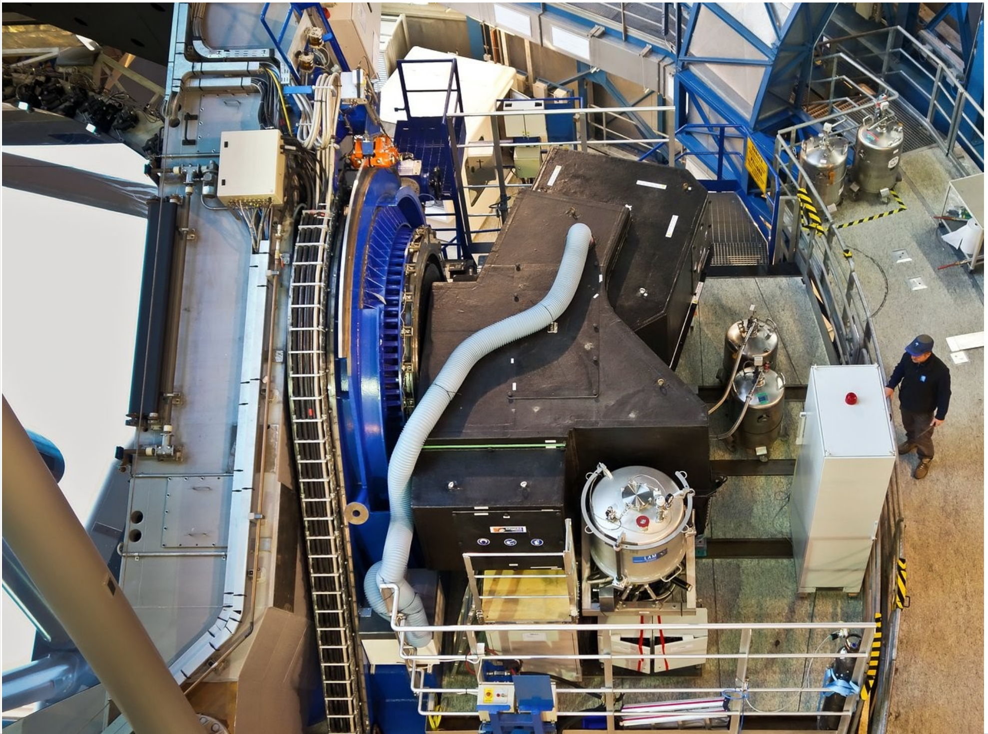
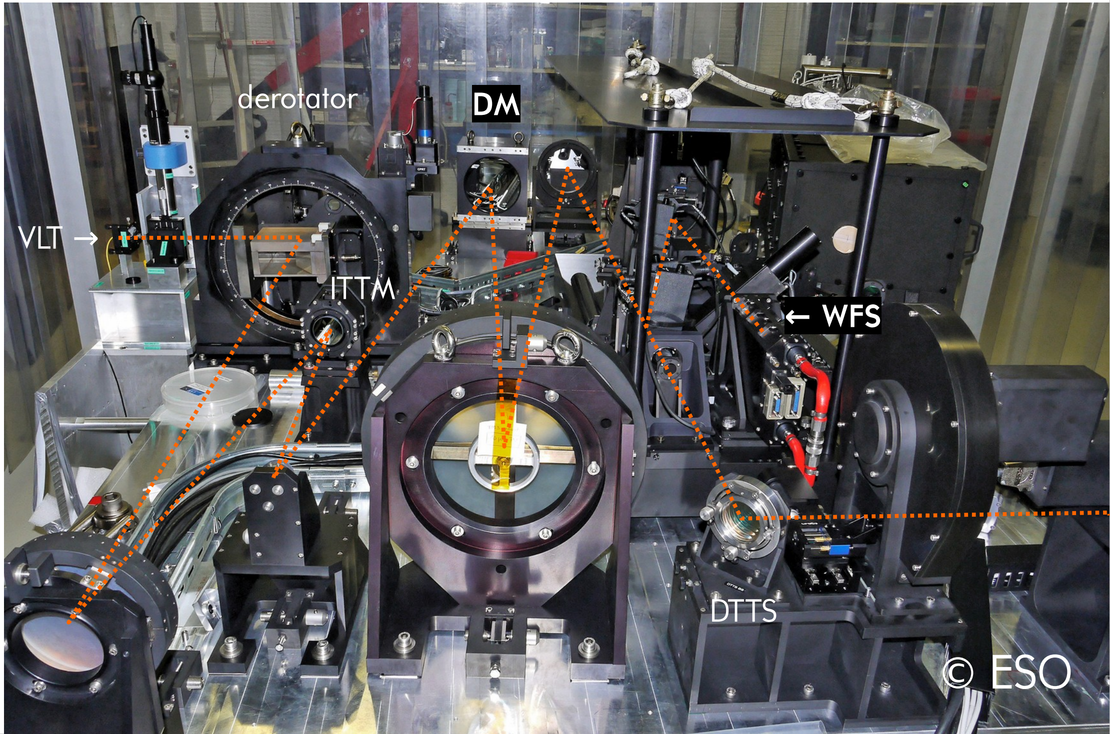
Extreme Adaptive Optics

f = 1.2 kHz, 40×40 lens & actuators ↑

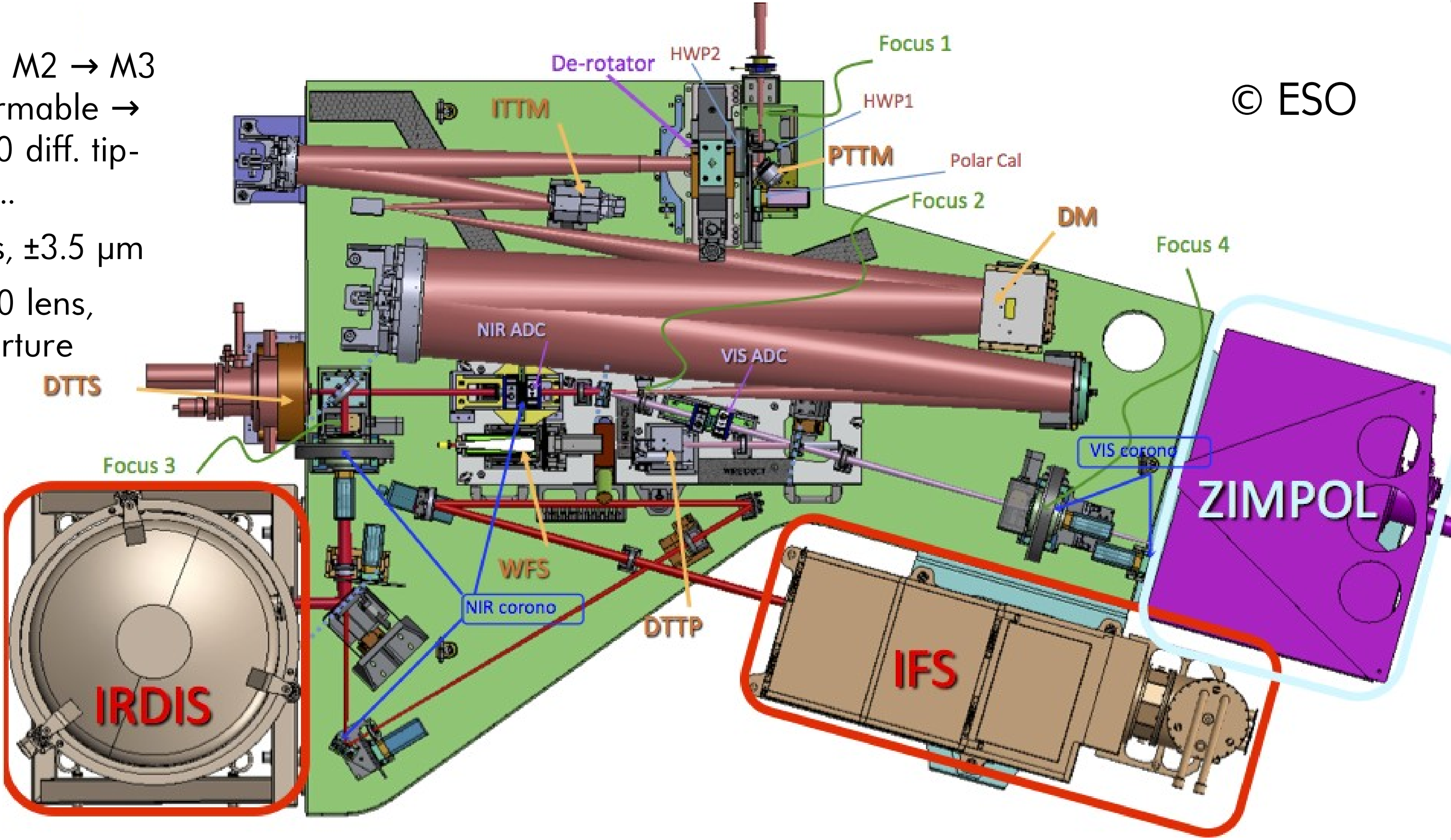
- VLT/SPHERE/ZIMPOL instrument (Schmid etal. 2018), designed for exoplanets (M_J), diffraction-limited imaging, maximum contrast (planet/star), coronograph





SPHERE instrument

- M1 tip-and-tilt → derotator → M2 → M3 tip-and-tilt → M4 → M5 deformable → M6 → M7 → M8 … M9 → M10 diff. tip-and-tilt → wavefront sensor …
- DM: 180 mm, 41×41 actuators, ±3.5 μm
- WFS: Hartmann-Shack, 40×40 lens, EMCCD, 6×6 pxl per sub-aperture
- NIR, V coronographs



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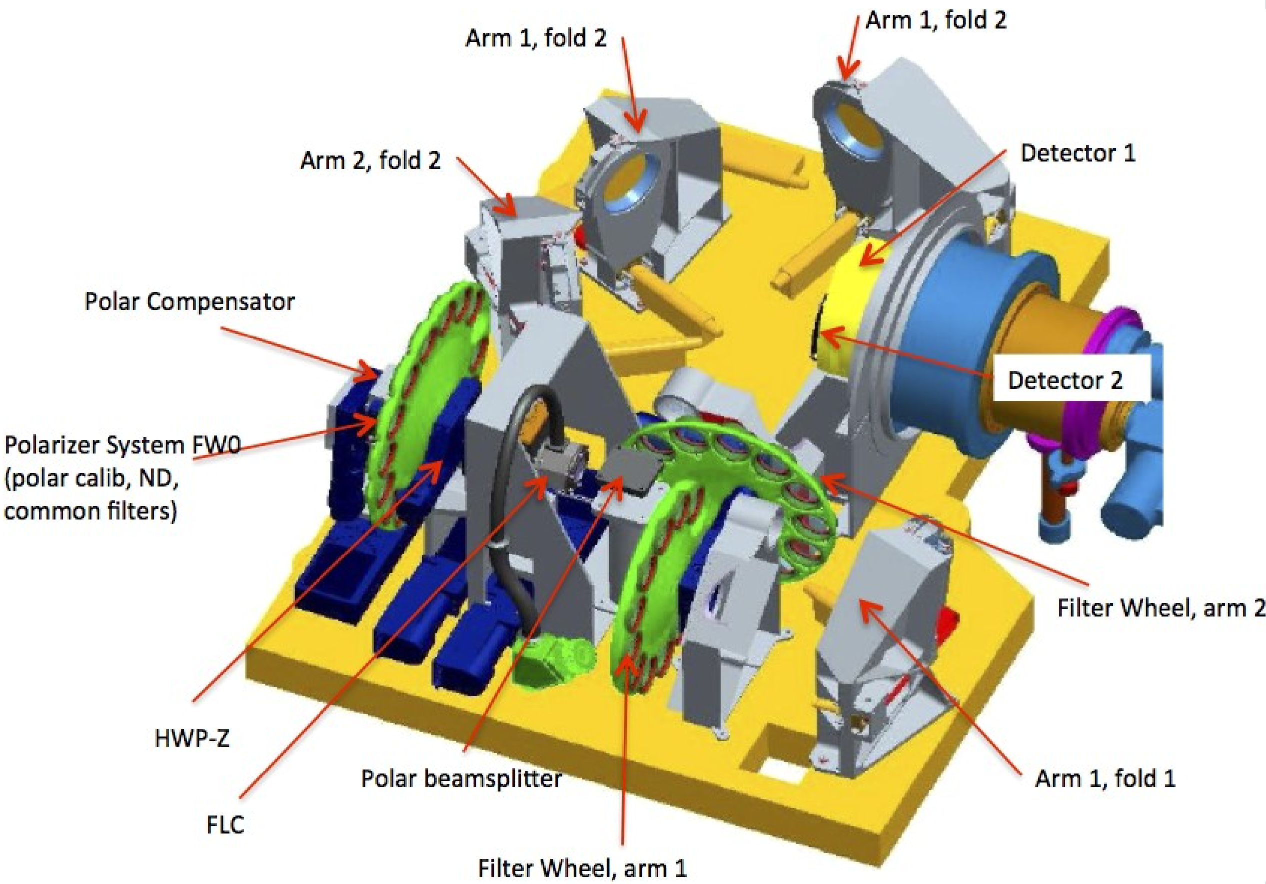
ZIMPOL instrument

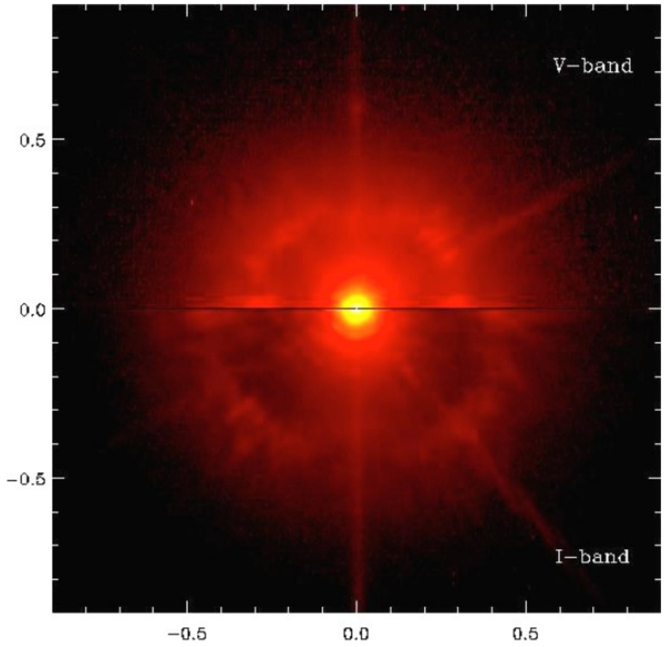
- imaging polarimeter
- polarizer → electrooptic modulator (1 kHz) → polarizing beam splitter → filter wheels → M1's → M2's → cylindric lens → CCD's
- demodulation: 2nd rows masked, charges m. in/out
- for imaging only, Σ signals



PSF & its variability

- N_R filter (645 ± 28 nm), dependence on λ, seeing conditions (<0.8'')
- asteroid as NGS, nearby * as PSF, 5 series of 10-s exposures @ epoch

1''



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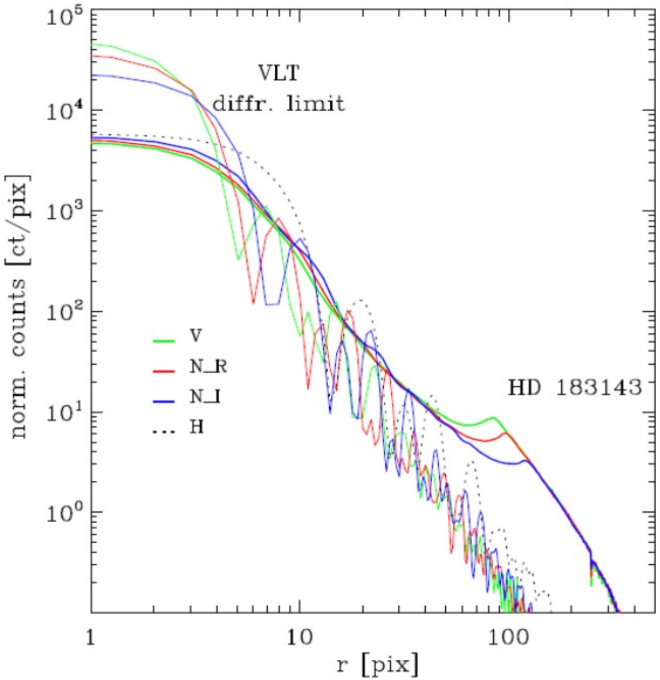


Schmid etal. (2017)

← Strehl 0.095 (V)

3.6 mas per pxl

Deconvolution (Bayes statistics)

- I … degraded image, H … PSF, O … ideal image, N … Noise

$$I = H * O + N$$

- Bayes theorem for conditional probabilities, where $p(I) = I \div 65535$ ADU

$$p(O \wedge I) = p(O|I)p(I) = p(I|O)p(O) \;\rightarrow\; p(O|I) = \frac{p(I|O)p(O)}{p(I)}$$

- maximalisation of $p(O|I)$, i.e. minimalisation of the functional wrt. O:

$$J = -\ln[p(I|O)p(O)] = -\ln p(I|O) - \ln p(O) \equiv J_N + J_O$$

Deconvolution (Richardson-Lucy)

- Poisson statistics for $p(I\,|O)$, where k … I, λ … $H*O$ & functional:

$$p(k;\lambda) = \frac{\lambda^k\, \mathrm{e}^{-\lambda}}{k!}$$

$$J_N = -\ln p(I|O) = \sum_r [-I \ln(H*O) + H*O]$$

- min: compute ∇, shift to $-\nabla$, in case of convergence ($n \to \infty$) assume $O^{n+1} = O^n$ → iterative algorithm (Richardson 1972, Lucy 1974):

$$O^{n+1}(r) = O^n(r)\left[H(-r) * \frac{I(r)}{H(r) * O^n(r)}\right]$$

Myopic deconvolution ← MISTRAL algorithm

- problems of RL: divergence (if not P.), artifacts on edges, “ringing”
- Gaussian noise (photon, PSF, seeing, jitter, ...), regularisation (Conan etal. 2000):

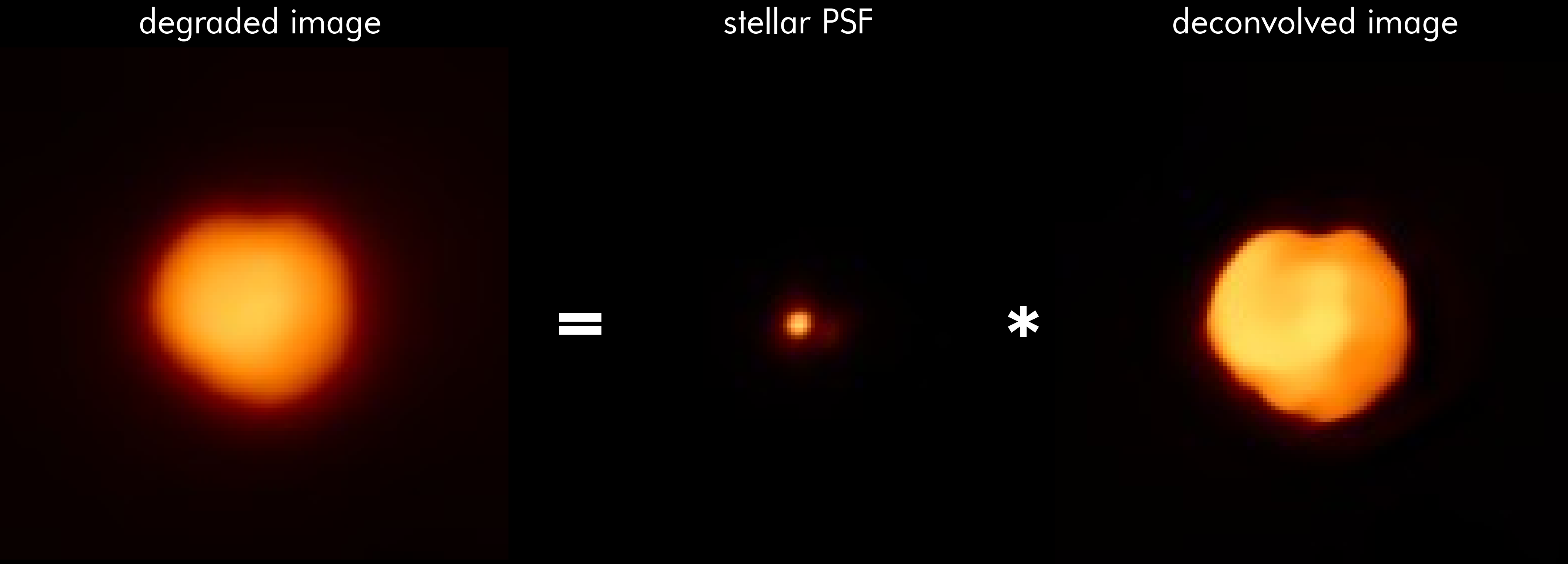
$$p(x;\sigma) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}}\,\mathrm{e}^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}} \quad \rightarrow \quad J_N = \sum_r \frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(I - H * O)^2$$

- additional priors (edge, seeing), 2nd regularisation:

$$J_O = -\ln p(O) = \mu \sum_r \left[\frac{|\nabla O|}{\delta} - \ln\left(1 + \frac{|\nabla O|}{\delta}\right)\right]$$

δ, μ ... free parameters,
E() ... expectation (average over I),
$\tilde{H}$ ... Fourier transform, i.e. MTF

$$J_H = \frac{1}{2}\sum_q \frac{|\tilde{H} - \mathrm{E}(\tilde{H})|^2}{\mathrm{E}[|\tilde{H} - \mathrm{E}(\tilde{H})|^2]}$$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8 epochs
Jul 7th - Oct 10th 2017
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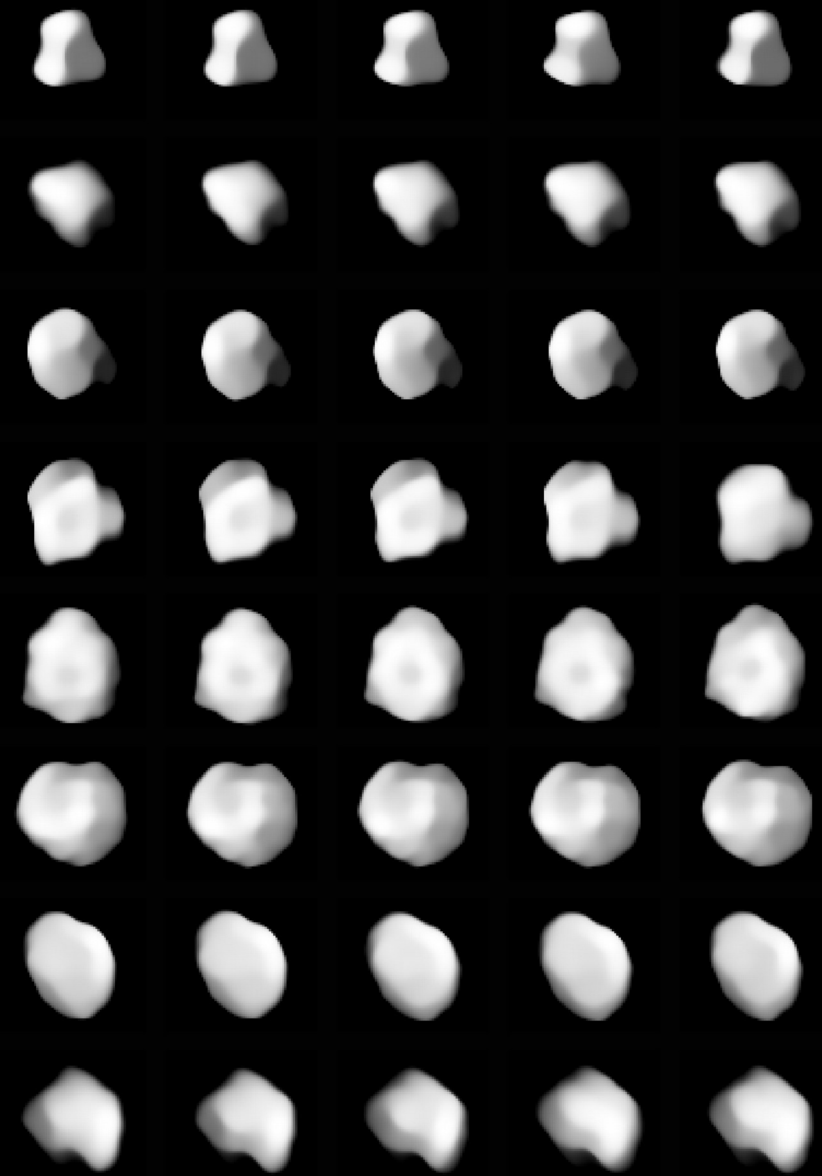
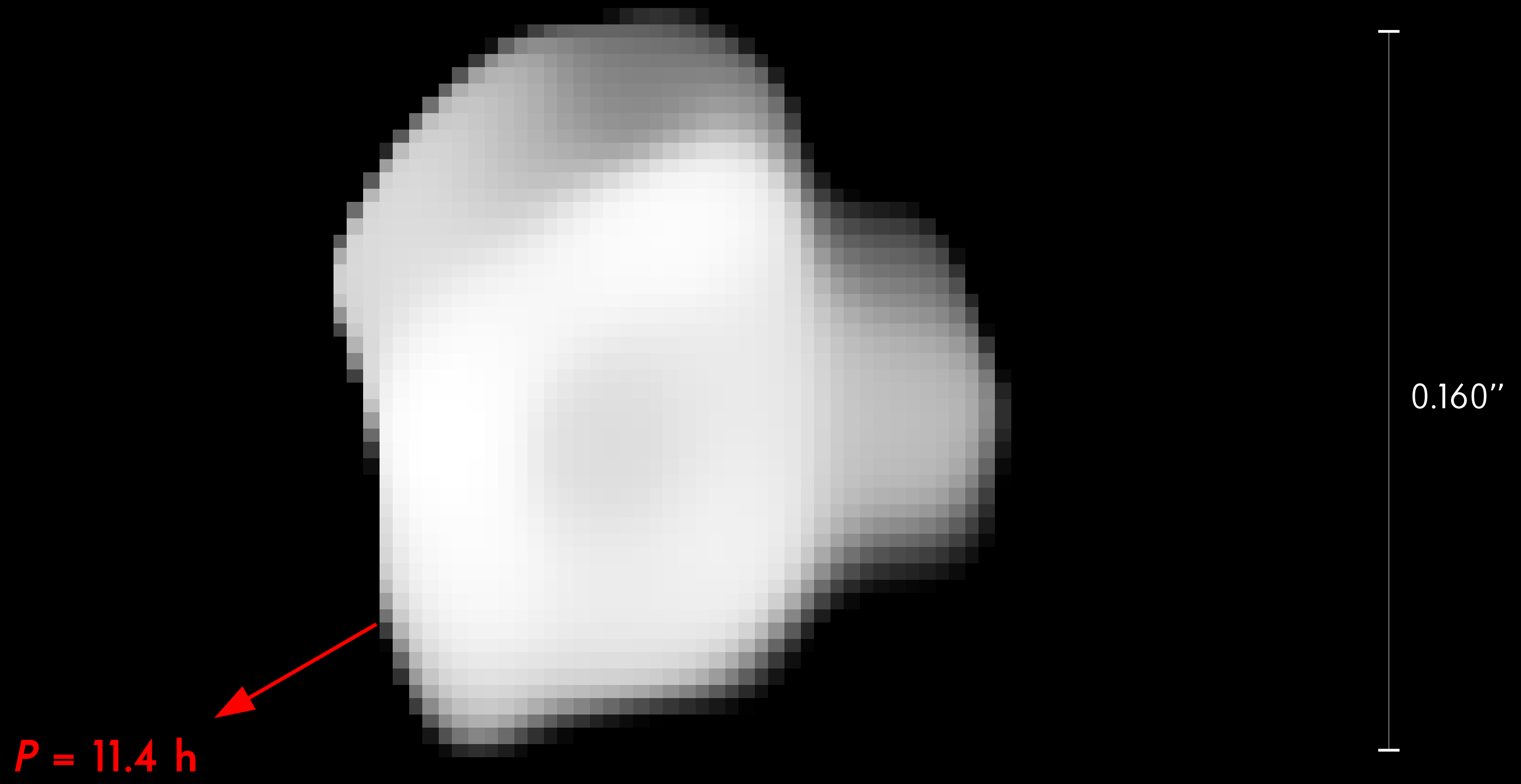
by MISTRAL algorithm
(Fusco etal. 2003)




P = 11.4 h
0.160''

Crater (“Nonza”)

- 3D shape reconstruction by ADAM (Viikinkoski etal. 2015): AO + LC + regularisation
- crater visible at longitude 0° (def.) and latitude -32°

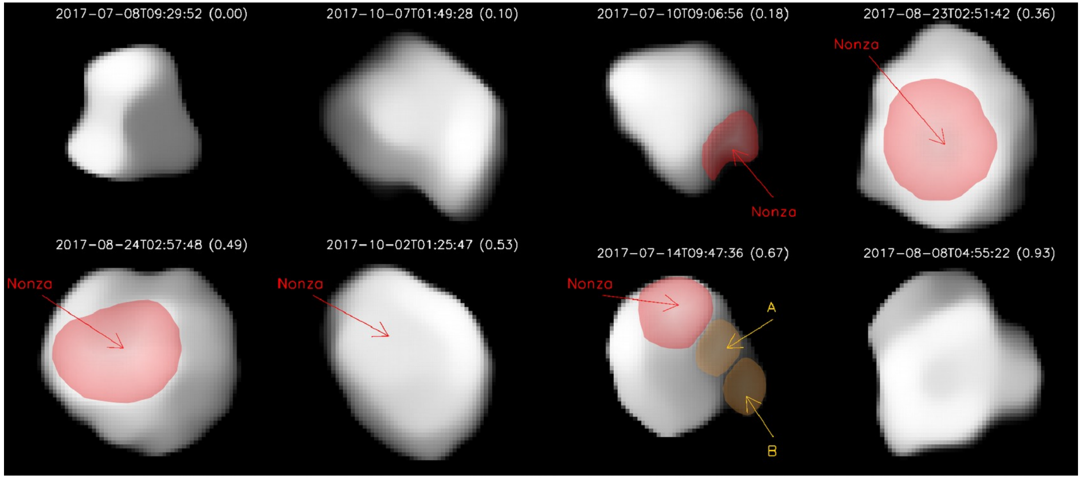
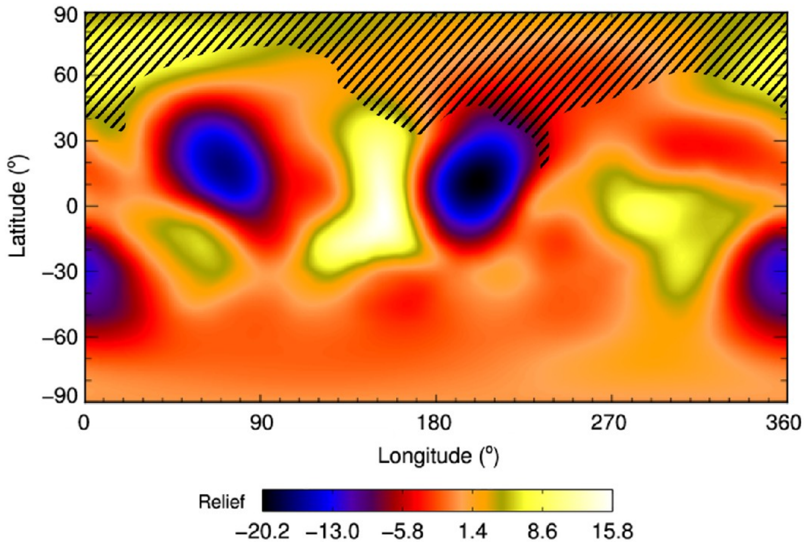
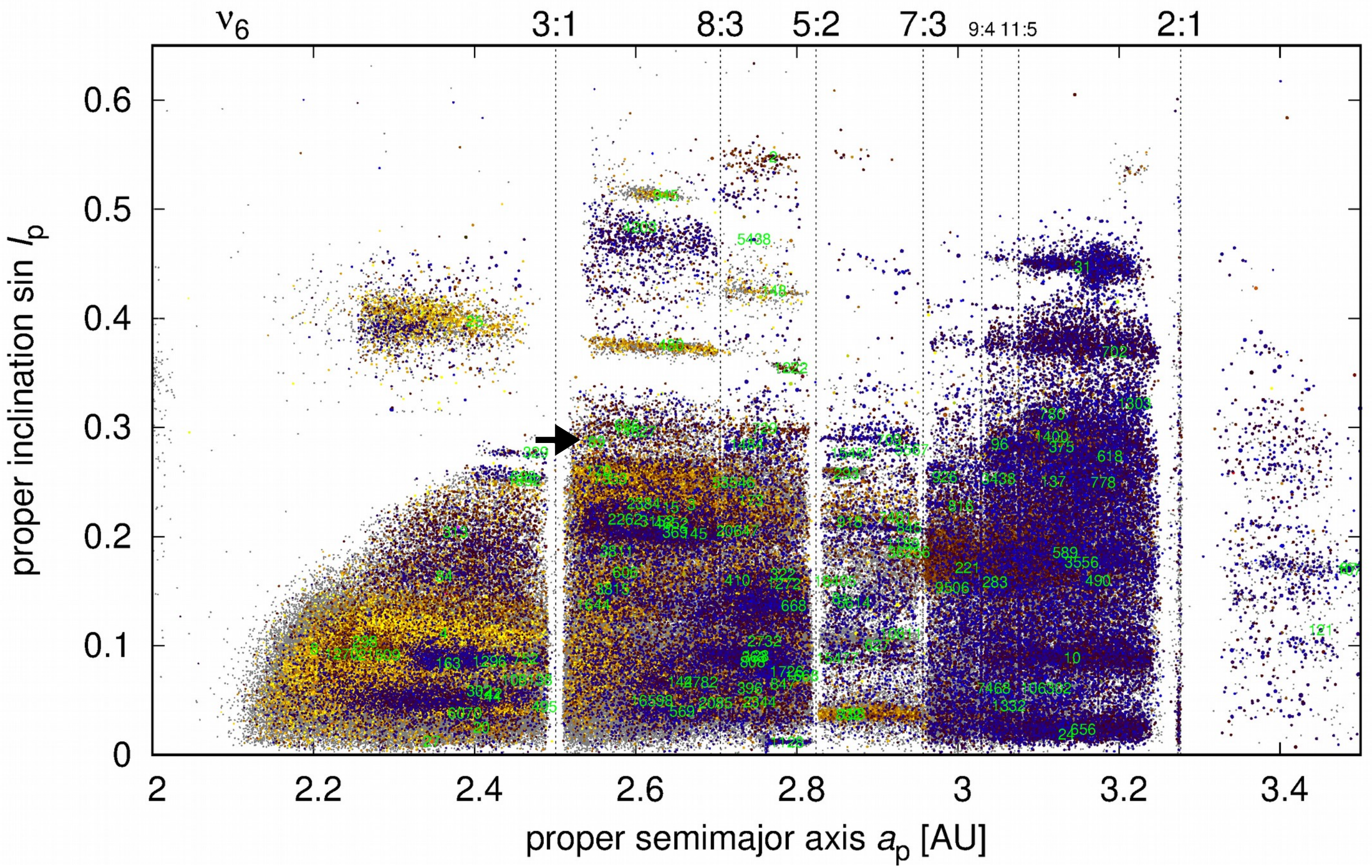


Fig. 3: Identification of the impact craters present at the surface of Julia. Besides the large impact basin Nonza, we identified two possible small craters (A and B) at rotational phase 0.67.



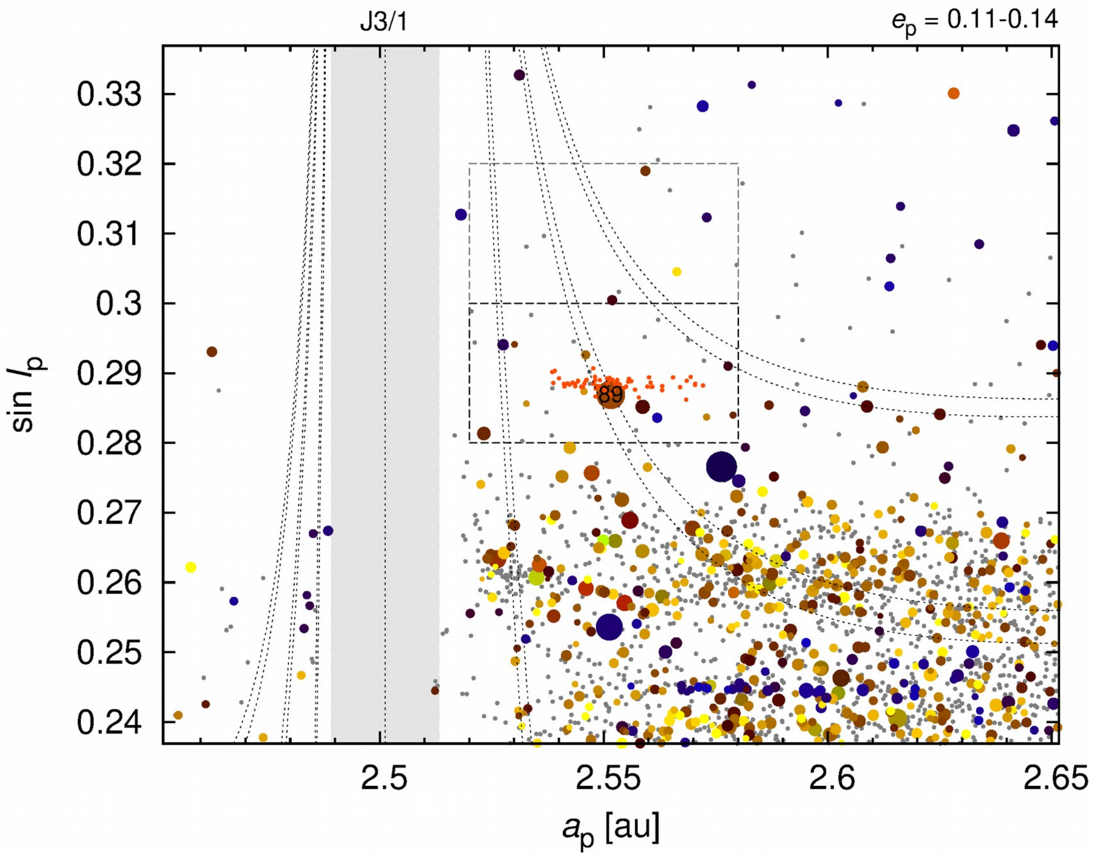
Main Asteroid Belt

- synthetic proper elements (Kneževic & Milani 2003)
- WISE albedos (Masiero etal. 2014)
- **125** families (Nesvorný etal. 2015)



Julia family identification

- middle belt, high-I, low # of a. (Nesvorný etal. 2015)
- hierarchical clustering (Zappala etal. 1995) with $v_{\mathrm{cut}} = 80$ m/s → 66 members
- taxonomy **S** (or K?)
- albedo $p_V = 0.184$
- **LL chondrites** analogue (Vernazza etal. 2014) → $\rho_{\mathrm{bulk}} = 3300\ \mathrm{kg/m^3}$



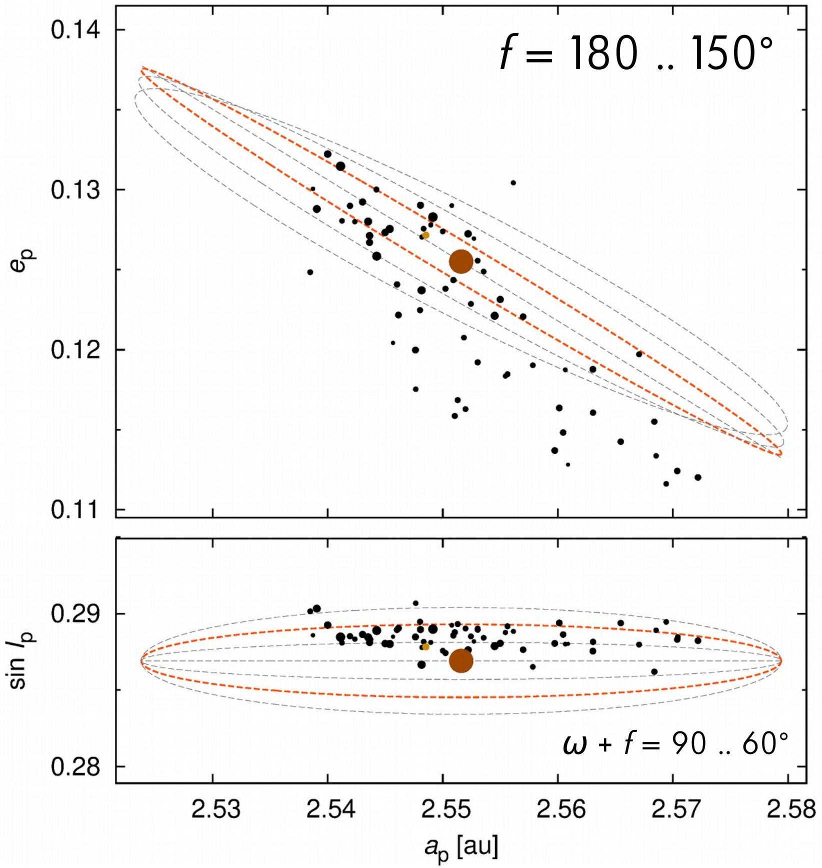
0. Preliminary analysis

- **escape velocity** $v_{esc} \doteq 115$ m/s
- ellipses due to **Gauss equations**:

$$\Delta a = \frac{2}{n\sqrt{1-e^2}}[\Delta v_T + e(\Delta v_T \cos f + \Delta v_R \sin f)]$$

$$\Delta e = \frac{\sqrt{1-e^2}}{na}[\Delta v_R \sin f + \Delta v_T(\cos f + \cos E)]$$

- a cut at $a_p = 2.54$ au ← proximity to J3/1 or secular resonances?
- a shift in $\Delta I_p = 0.002$ rad ← ejection into half-space?



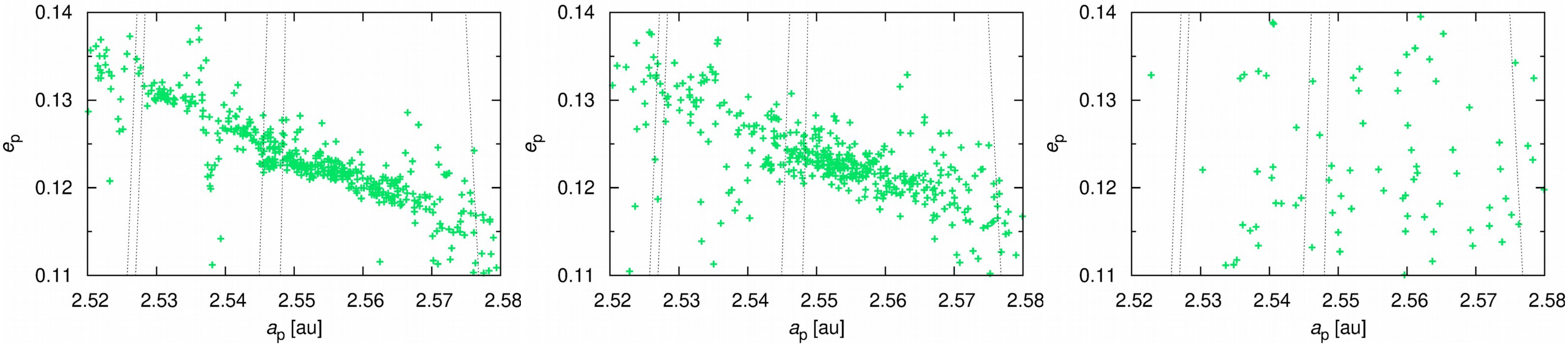
1. N-body orbital simulation

- dynamical model: Sun + 4 giant planets + (13) Egeria (Levison & Duncan 1994), Yarkovsky diurnal & seasonal effect (Vokrouhlický 1998), YORP effect (Čapek & Vokrouhlický 2004), collisional reorientations, mass shedding @ ω_{crit}
- 660 particles, v_{max} = 500 m/s, ρ_{surf} = 1500 kg/m^3, $K = 10^{-3}$ W/m/K, ...

"0 Myr"

30 Myr

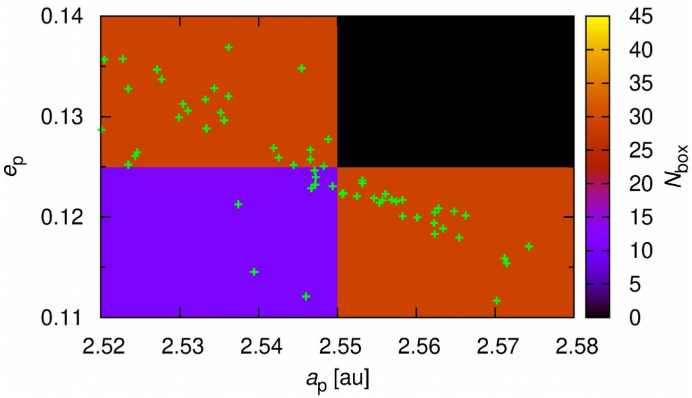
520 Myr



N-body (cont.)

- post-processing: (i) uniform background, (ii) match **SFD** @ every time step, (iii) random selection of orbits from ICs (see Brož & Morbidelli 2018)
- sorry for being so noisy, but 66 is low number...
- Julia family **age**: 10 to 120 Myr (i.e. both lower and upper limits)

"0 Myr"



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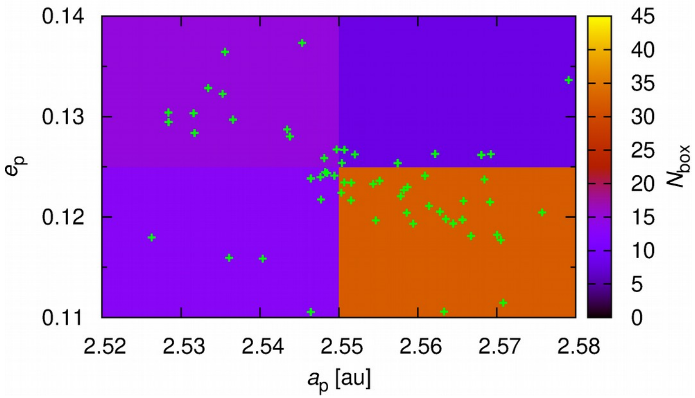

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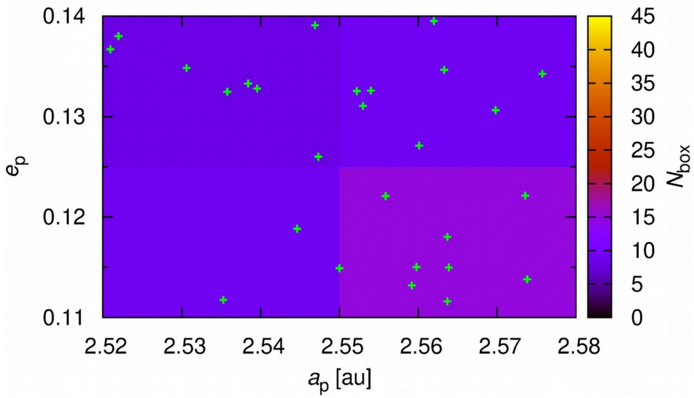
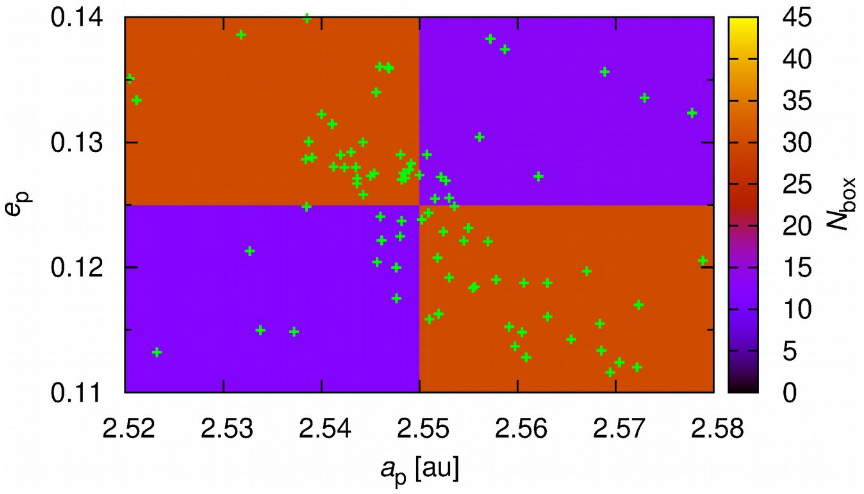


Comparison of simulations & observations

- # of a. in boxes in (a_p, e_p) space
- suitable χ^2 metric (Poissonian σ):

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\mathrm{box}}} \frac{(N_{\mathrm{syn}\,i} - N_{\mathrm{obs}\,i})^2}{\sigma^2_{\mathrm{syn}\,i} + \sigma^2_{\mathrm{obs}\,i}}$$

observed



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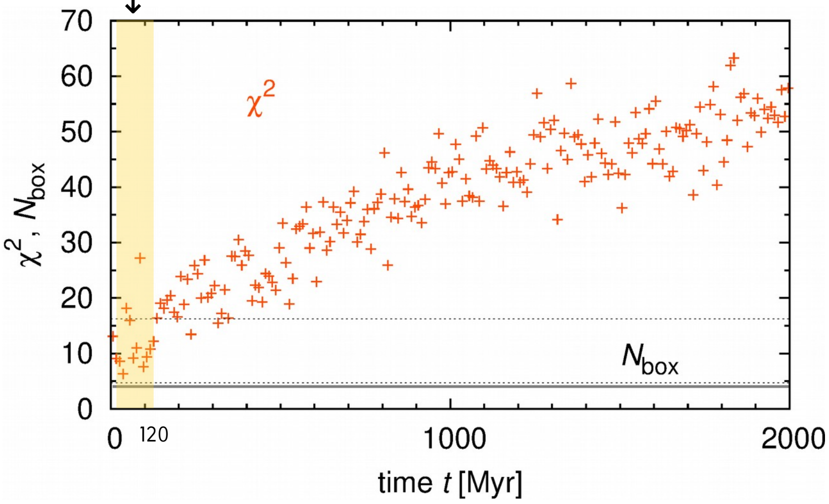
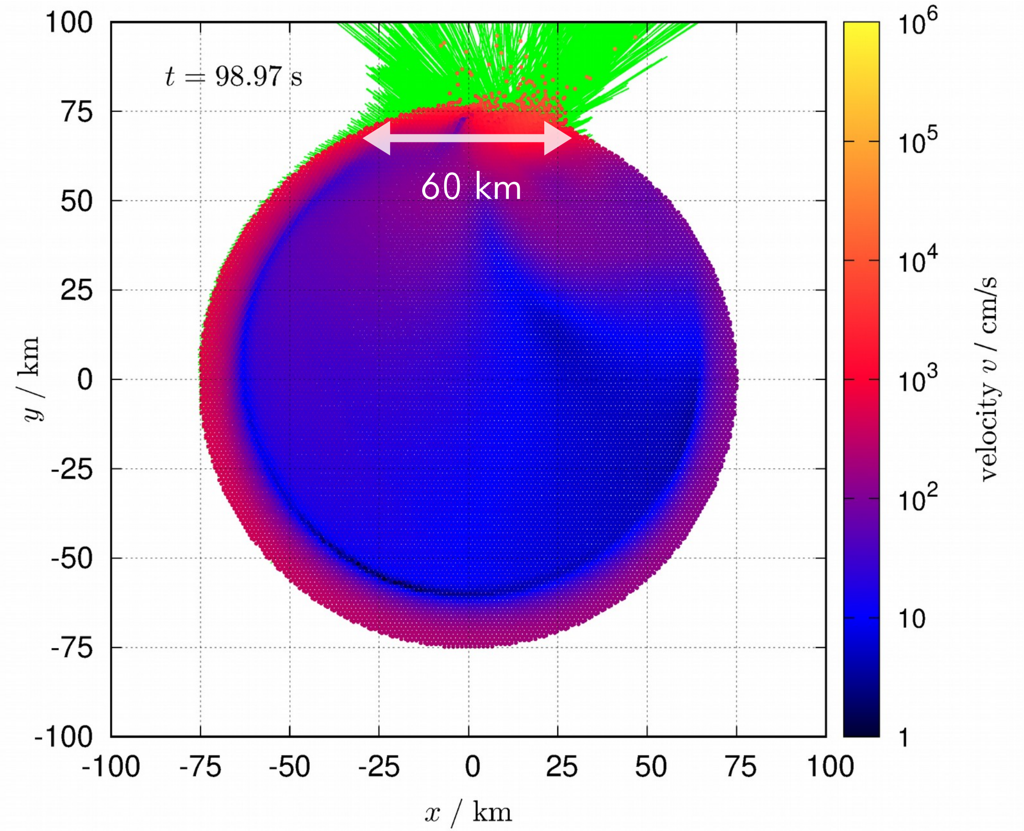


2. SPH break-up simulation

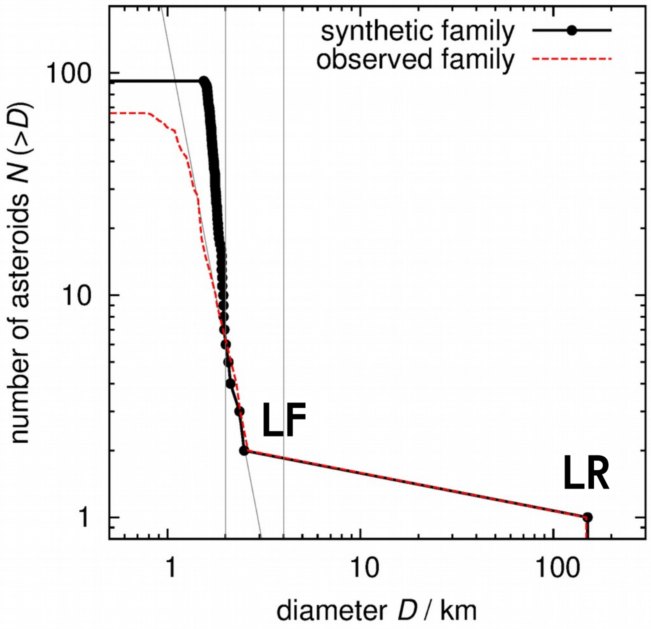
- fragmentation by SPH5 (Benz & Asphaug 1994), reaccumulation by Pkdgrav (Richardson etal. 2000)
- Tillotson (1962) EOS, von Mises yielding, Grady & Kipp (1980) fracture model, no porosity
- basalt material with ρ_0 = 3300 kg/m^3
- $N = 1.4 \cdot 10^6$ to resolve LF
- **IC**: d = 8 km, v = 6 km/s, θ = 75°, …
  → fragment SFD, v-field, **crater size**

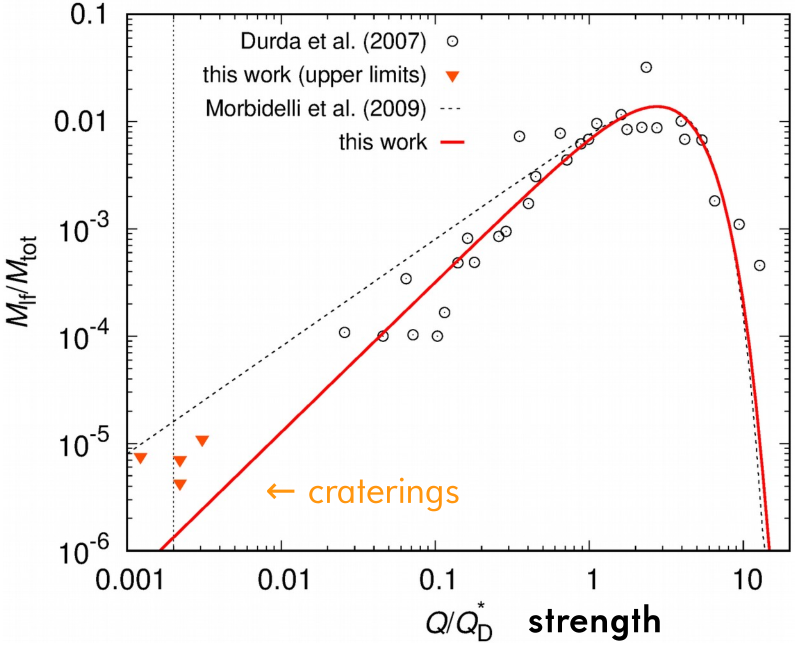
↑
transient



SPH (cont.)

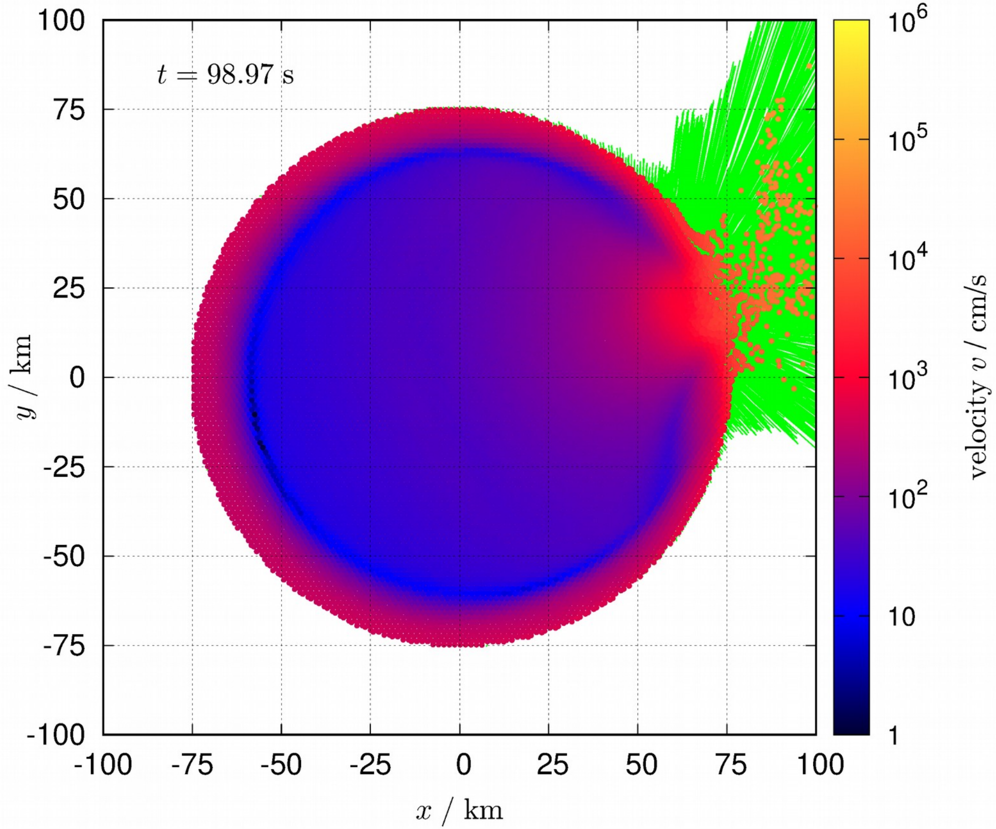
- size-frequency distribution $N(>D)$ → barely resolved **LF** (slope unreliable)
- correction of M_{LF}/M_{tot} parametric relation from Morbidelli etal. (2009) ← important!





SPH (cont.)

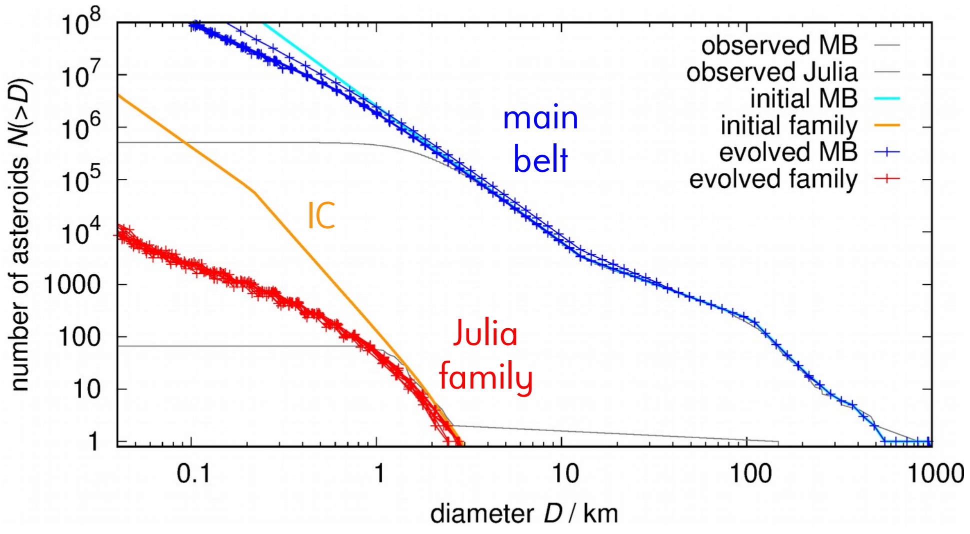
- **IC**: d = 4.4 km, v = 6 km/s, θ = 15°
- not a unique solution...



3. Monte-Carlo collisional simulation

- Boulder code (Morbidelli etal. 2009), scaling law of Benz & Asphaug (1999), ...
- without (89) Julia (LR), i.e. only fragments → family lifetime ~ 100 Myr

30 Myr



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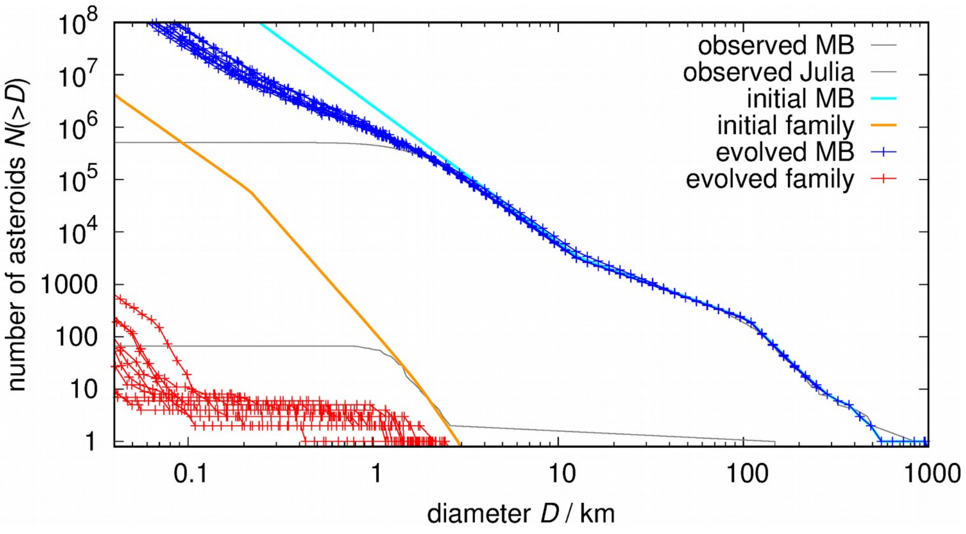
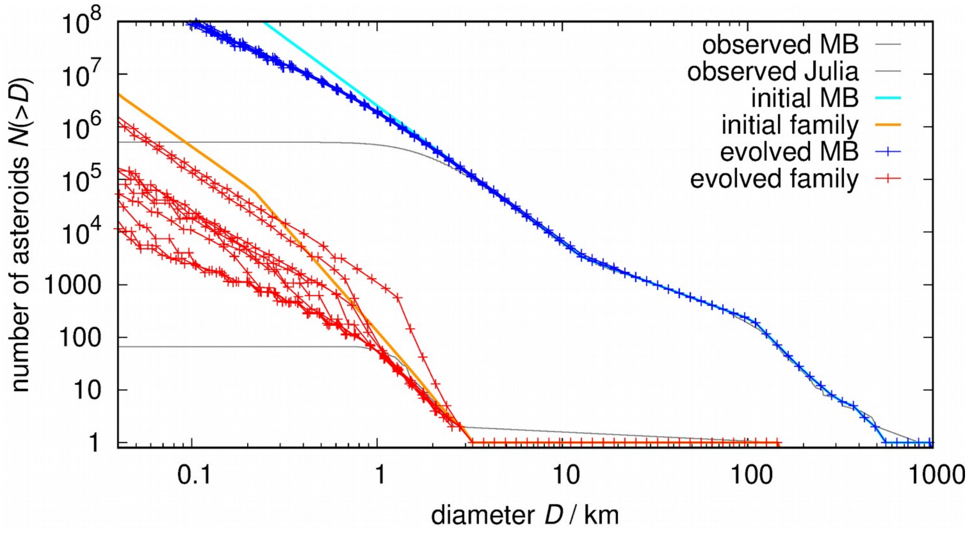


Monte-Carlo (cont.)

$D_{LF} \geq 2.6$ km

- the same with (89) Julia → number of events: **1 to 10** per 4 Gyr (100 MC runs)
- if ≫ 1 then possible **resurfacing**? irregular shape?

30 Myr



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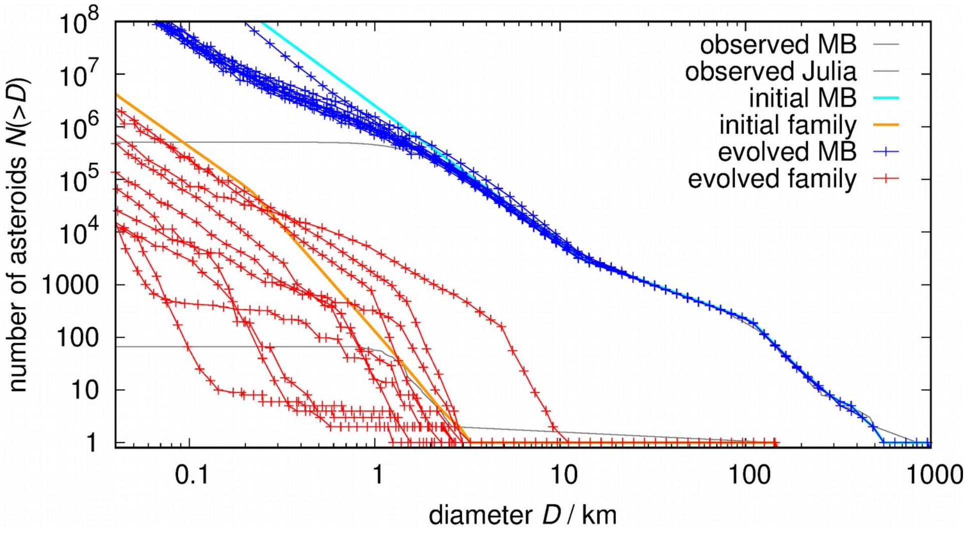

Crater size & position

- estimated crater size D = (74.8 ± 5.0) km (SPH: >60 km)
- **excavated** volume V_{ex} = (9800 ± 4900) km^3 (SPH: 7600 km^3)
- **ejected** volume V_{ej} = 176 km^3, i.e. $V_{ej} \ll V_{ex}$

- SPH: ejection velocity wrt. barycentre $v_{ej} \doteq 100$ m/s → $\Delta I = 0.002$ rad, cf.

$$\Delta I = \frac{\Delta v_W}{na\sqrt{1-e^2}} \frac{r}{a} \cos(\omega + f)$$

- **obliquity** of Julia γ = -17°; for $\varphi = \gamma$, ejecta can fly the most above (or below)
- Nonza with **latitude** φ = -32° is in a suitable position! (no spin evolution)

Conclusions

- 20 yr after HST observations of (4) Vesta...
- **asteroid families ↔ craters identifications** possible from ground-based observations!
- 40-m class telescopes (ELT) will be used

- Vernazza etal. (2018) A&A, **618**, A154