## Leiden EXoplanet Instrument

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## Imaging through the atmosphere

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Adaptive optics corrected

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## APO1/ALC2



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Non-common path abberations


## Temporal stability

0 min
10 min


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Lets apply this technique

Keck/OSIRIS HR8799 b

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Cross-correlate with water template


See Hoeijmakers et al 2018, Petit dit de la Roche et al. 2018

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High-contrast focal plane
High-resolution spectrograph


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The Leiden EXoplanet Instrument

LEXI


## LEXI








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William Herschel Telescope
4.2 m diameter

LEXI run June 2016

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Palomar strategy: Downscale aperture to create an XAO system



William Herschel Telescope
1.2 m off-axis segment

LEXI run December 2017/2018

LEXI


Shack-Hartmann wavefront sensor


AO speed: 500 Hz
Number of modes: 75-80
Alpao 97-15 DM
generalised Optical Differentiation wavefront sensor


AO speed: 800 Hz Number of modes: 96

Alpao 97-15 DM


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## Advantaged of single-mode fibers



SMFs are diffraction-limited fibers
And spectrographs scale with angular size


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SMF spectrographs are small!

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## Advantages of single-mode fibers

All inputs always transform into a gaussian.


Creates very stable Line Spread Functions.

## Advantages of single-mode fibers



Seeing limited image $5.2 \pm 2 \%$ SR
(a)


AO corrected image
$90.3 \pm 2 \%$ SR
(b)

We put in all the effort to make our instrument diffraction-limited!

Why convert it back to the non-diffraction limit?

Petit et al. 2016

Compact fiber-fed diffraction-limited spectrograph designs


## Specifications

R of 100000
600 to 900 nm
19 fibers
Designed with SCAR Off-the-shelf parts

It is easy to design high-packing efficiencies due to the diffraction-limited spectrograph design.

LEXI spectrum of Aldebaran December 2017 at WHT

Now let's switch to an IFU instead

Filling a field with single mode fibers.

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Pitch on order of 200um

Filling a field with single mode fibers.


- Micron alignment accuracy
- A MLA is a piece of bulk optic
- Fibers are not in a perfect grid.


## Use a SINGLE multi-core fibre

- Excellent core to pitch ratio
- Only a single fiber.
- Dense system.
- Small size is difficult with bulk optics


## In-Situ 3D Nano-printing of freeform optics


"In-Situ 3D Nano-Printing of Freeform Coupling Elements for Hybrid Photonic Integration" Dietrich et al. 2018

## Multi-core single-mode fibers

Pitch of 10.5 um<br>1.83um MFD

Strict
requirements on microlens
alignment from SCAR.


Dietrich et al. 2018 (KIT) MLA manufactured M. Blaicher



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## Latest LEXI run at WHT 2018

- Observing from $23^{\text {rd }}-31^{\text {st }}$ of December 2018
- Telescope broke down during our run. We only had 2 half nights.



## Zoom in of the echellogram

## Imaging through the fiber array on Regulus



A spectrum of Betelgeuse


A spectrum of Betelgeuse zoom-in

## Conclusion

- LEXI has been developed over the past 3.5 years
- The new AO strategy works and delivers high quality PSFs
- Multi-core fibers with the 3D printing works very well for light injection
- With the MCF we can make compact high-resolution IFUs

