

# **Image reconstruction in the visible**

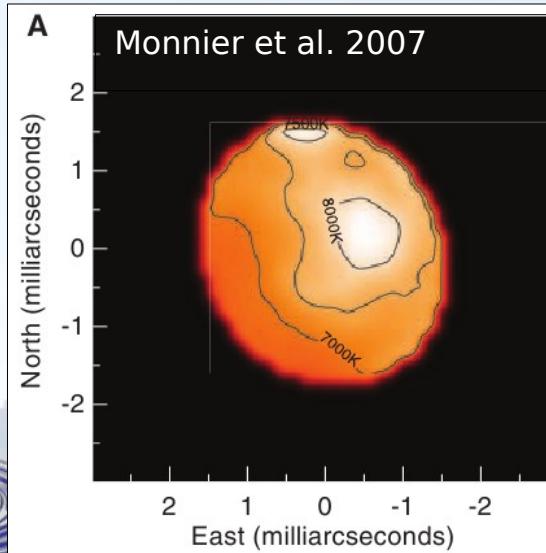
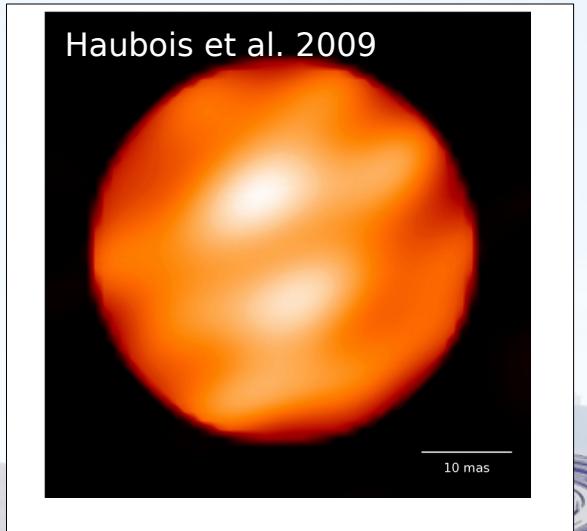
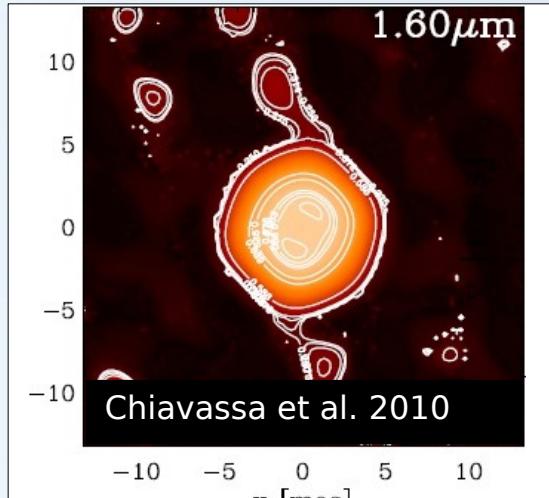
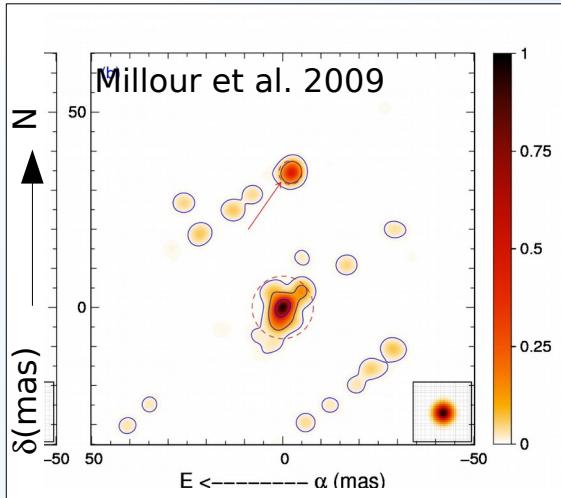
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# Imaging with interferometry

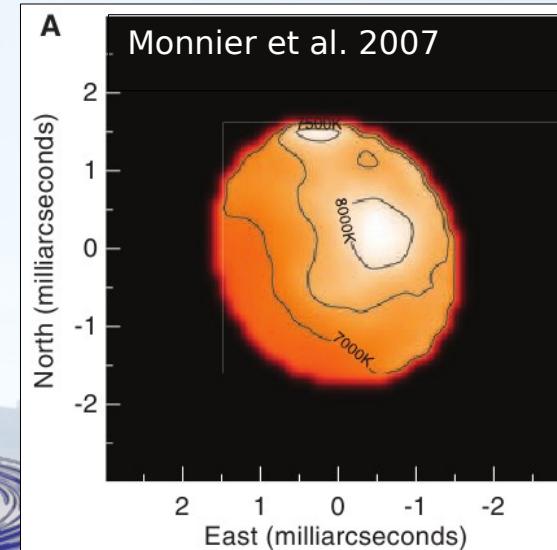
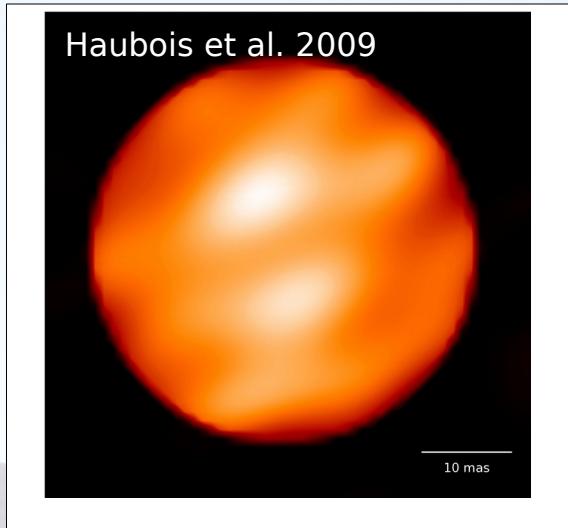
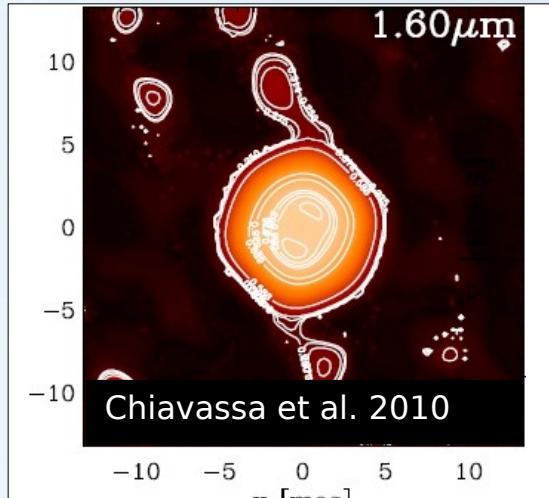
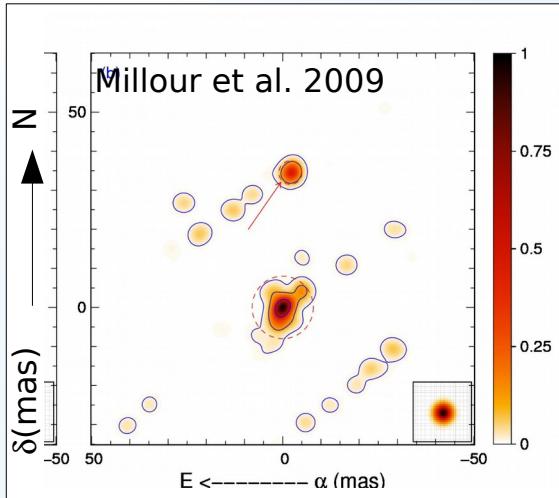
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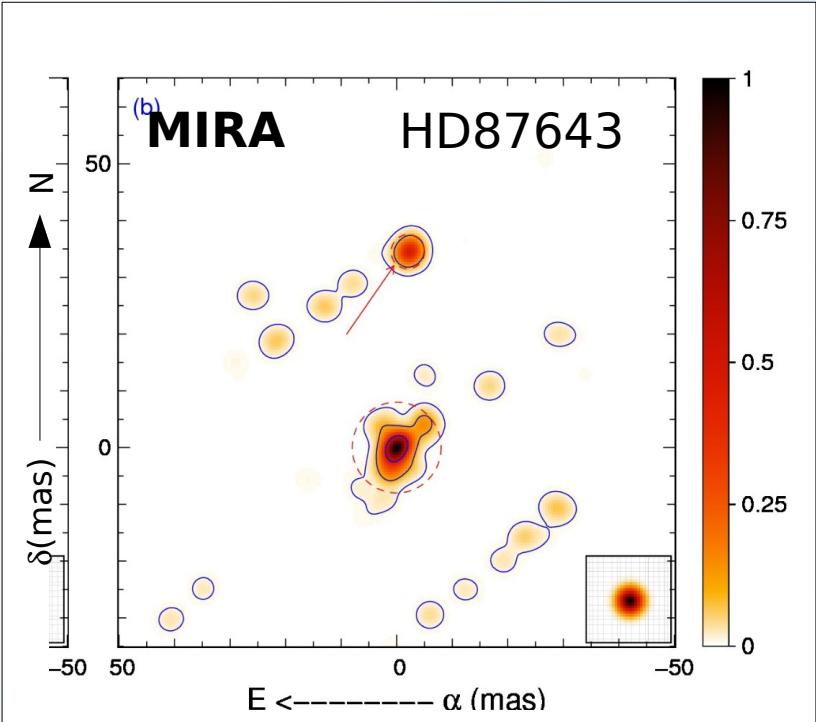
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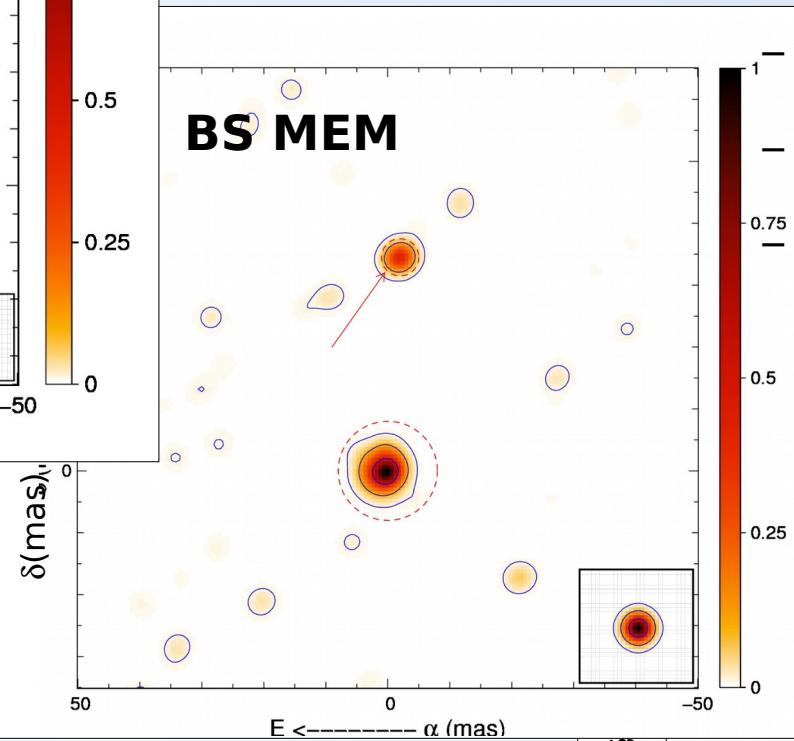
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# Image-reconstruction software



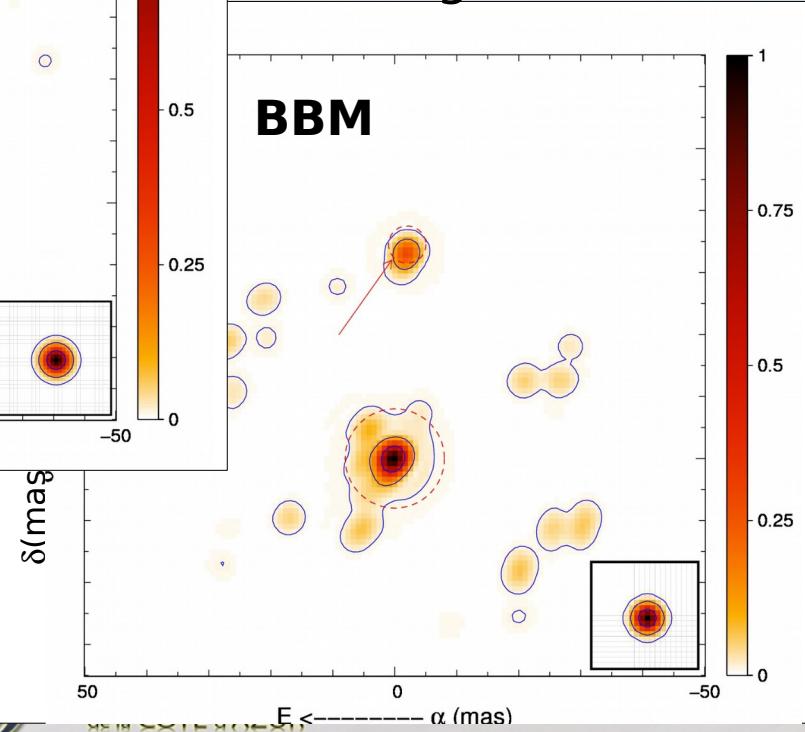
Millour et al. 2009

$N_{\text{parameters}} \gg N_{\text{obs}}$   
=> regularization prior



- **Many free parameters:**

- Super-parameter,  
prior,  
Initial image  
Convergence?



# Image-reconstruction limits

## **Problems**

- $N_{\text{pixels}} \gg N_{\text{observations}}$
- Weak phases  
(1/3 information 3T)
- Bad UV sampling
- Convergence

## **Workarounds**

- Regularization
- Prior
- Field-of-view
- Symmetries
- Spectral coverage
- Phase referencing

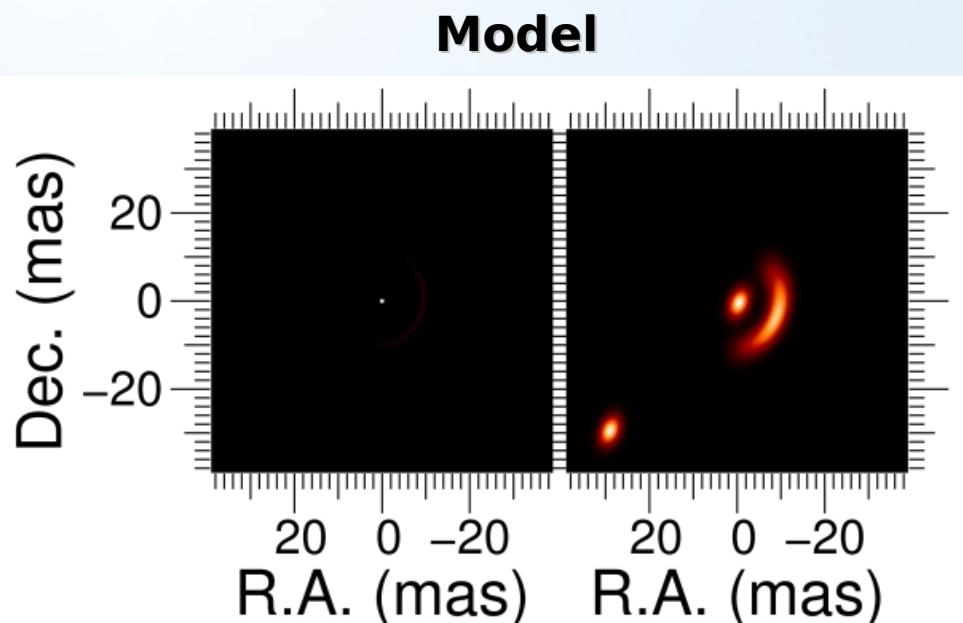
# Facilities

- VLTI
  - South hemisphere / 4T/4T or 8T(?)
  - Good UV coverage (reconfiguration)
  - Future NAOMI adaptive optics / current MACAO **dichroic issue**
  - Observation strategy / use IR WFS of GRAVITY ?
- CHARA
  - North hemisphere / 6T
  - Limited field of view (**not enough short baselines**)
  - Adaptive optics
- SUSI (?)
- PFI (?)
- MROI (?)

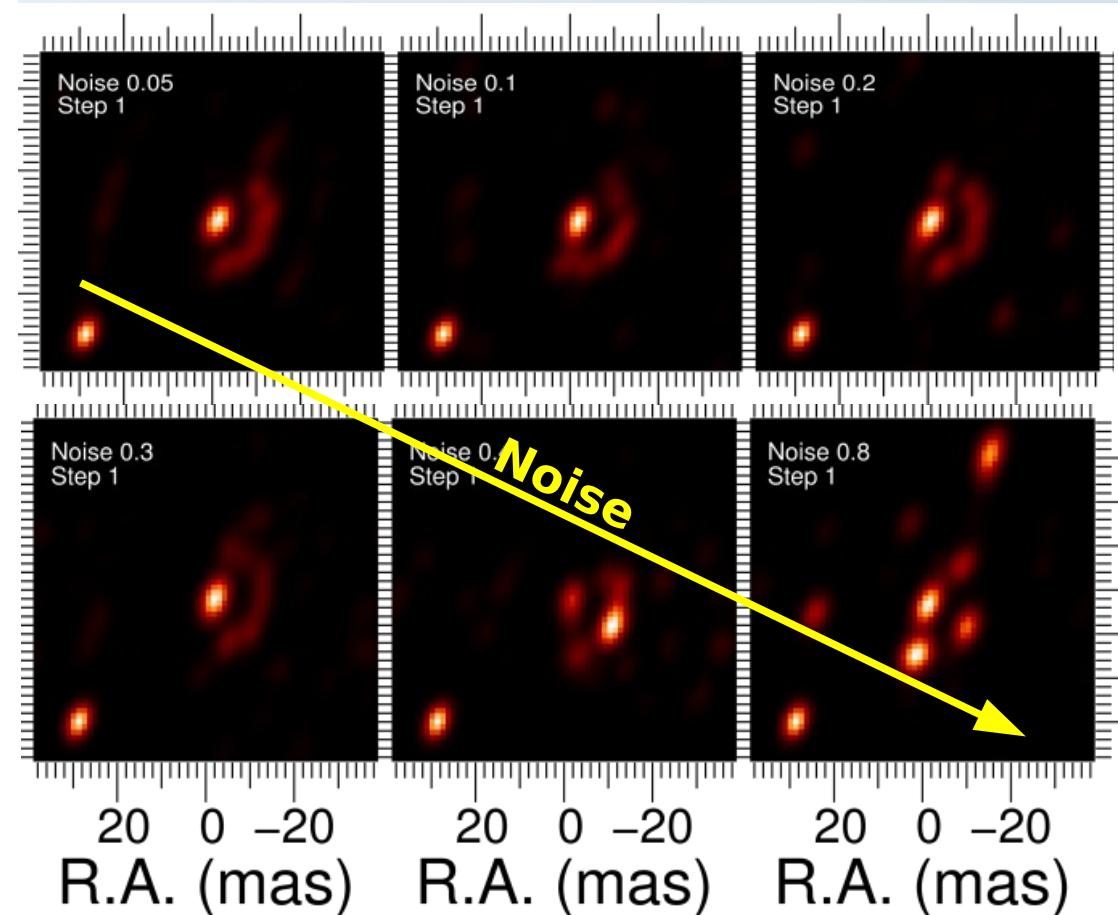


# Limits: noise

- Example : disk simulation « observed » with VLTI/AMBER



**Simulations AMBER  
Reconstruction MIRA**



# Specific noises/biases to the visible ?

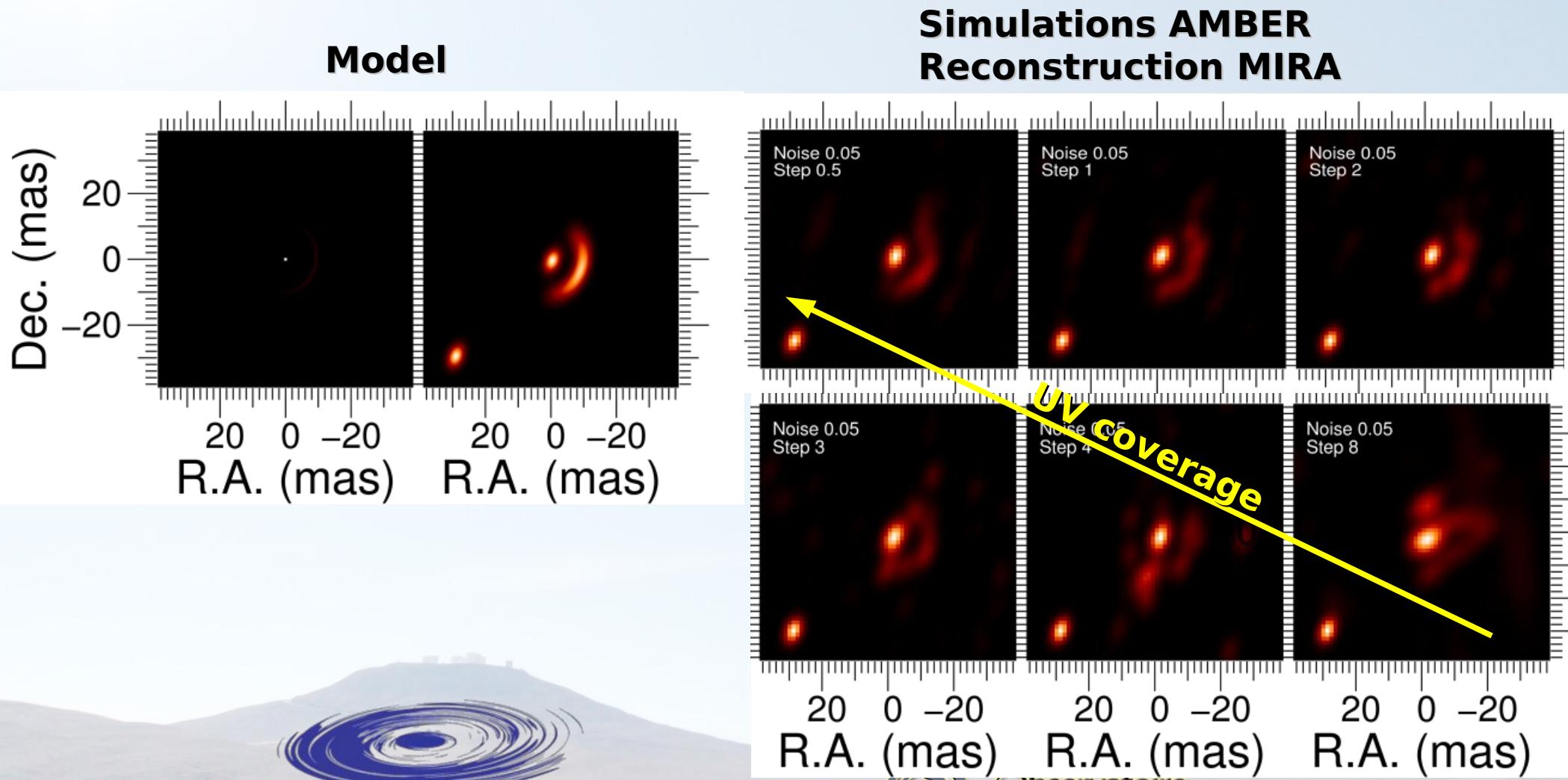
- Photon-counting ⇒ No closure phase !
- « Trou du centreur »
- Other specific bias source?



# Limits: UV plane

CHARA report : Tuthill et al. <Http://www.chara.gsu.edu/CHARA/Reports/tr86.pdf>

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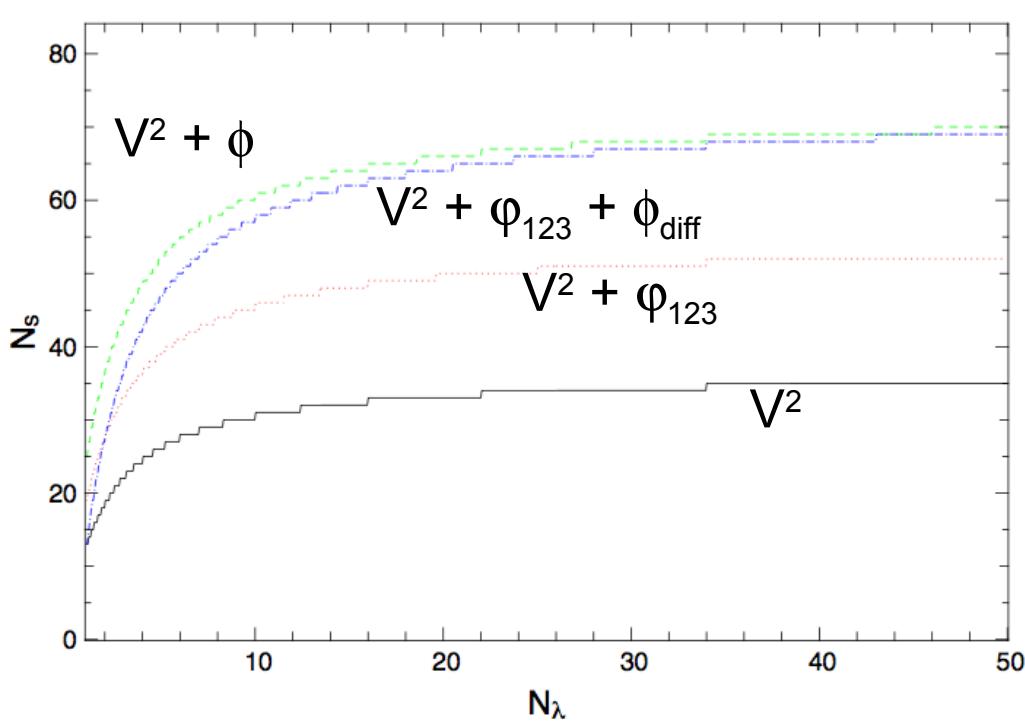


# How many telescopes for imaging ?

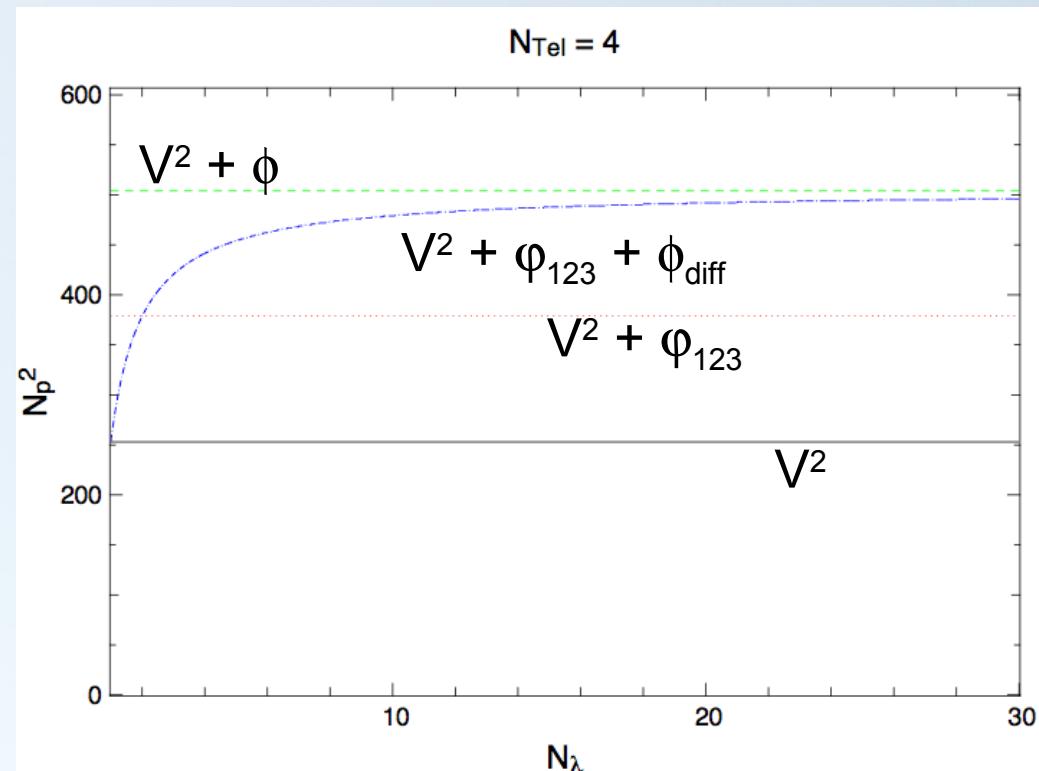
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<Http://www.chara.gsu.edu/CHARA/Reports/tr86.pdf>
- 4 strict minimum with supersynthesis & configurations
- CHARA experience : 6 minimum for snapshot imaging
- How many programs need snapshot imaging  
(« 4D » image reconstruction) ?
- What about speckle data ?

# Que se passe-t-il lorsque l'on ajoute des longueurs d'ondes en interférométrie?

**CLEAN-like**



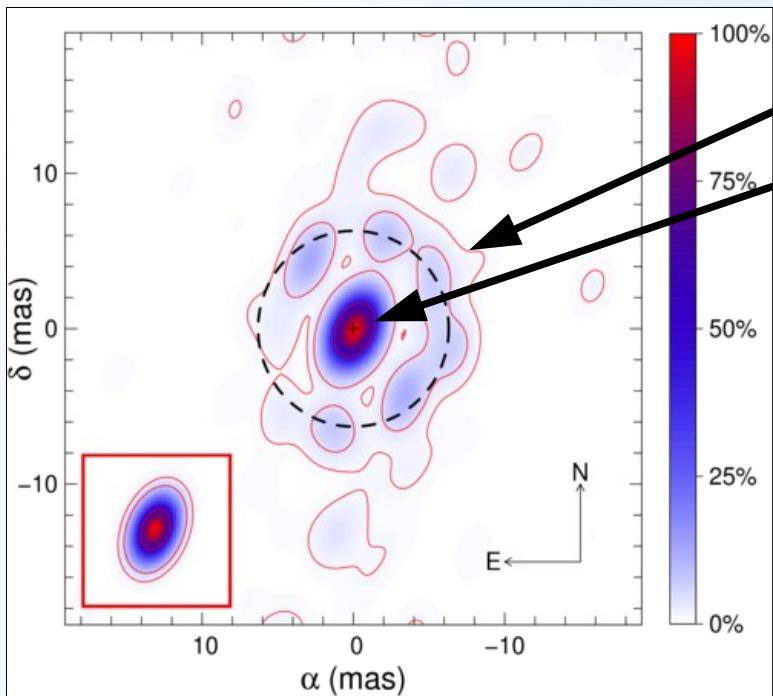
**Reconstruction  
d'images**



# Multiwavelength imaging / model-fitting

- Self-calibration algorithm  
Millour et al. 2011
- ANR POLCA will provide chromatic algorithms
  - Understand noises  
Schutz et al. 2013
  - Develop new algorithms
    - PAINTER  
Schutz et al. 2014
    - MIRA3D  
work in progress Thiebaut
- Chromatic LITpro  
Tallon et al. 2014 SPIE
- FitOmatic prototype tool  
Millour et al. 2009 A&A
- SPIDAST  
Cruzalèbes et al. 2013 MNRAS

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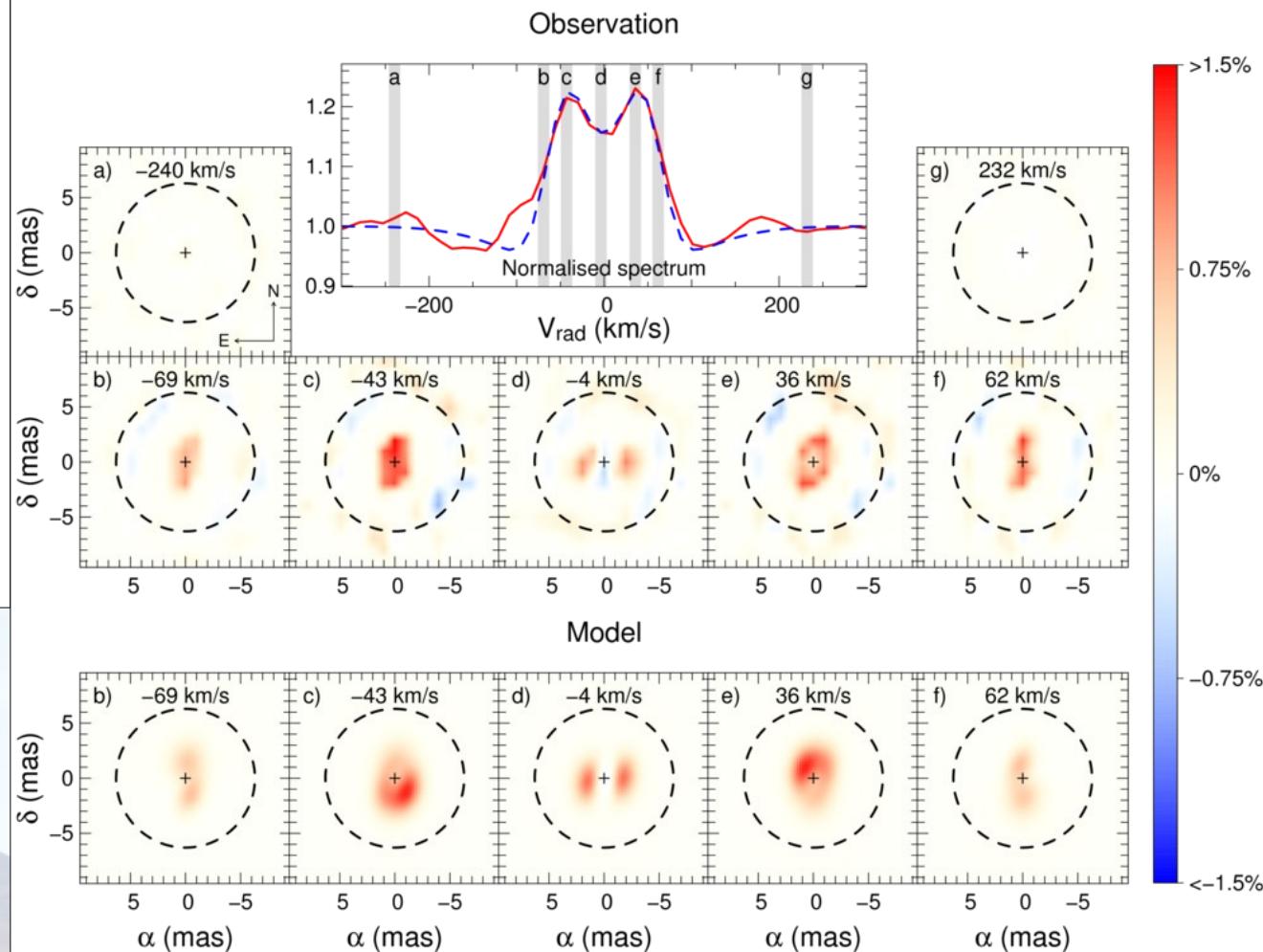


**Gas and dust disks detected**

Millour et al. 2011

**3 Pup : supergiant A[e] star**

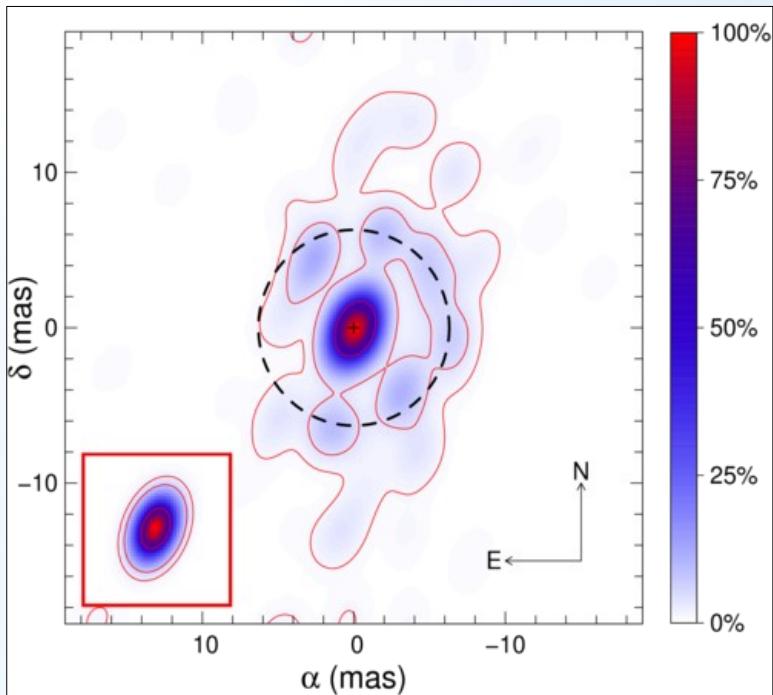
- Dust (Inner sublimation rim)
- Gas (circumstellar disk)



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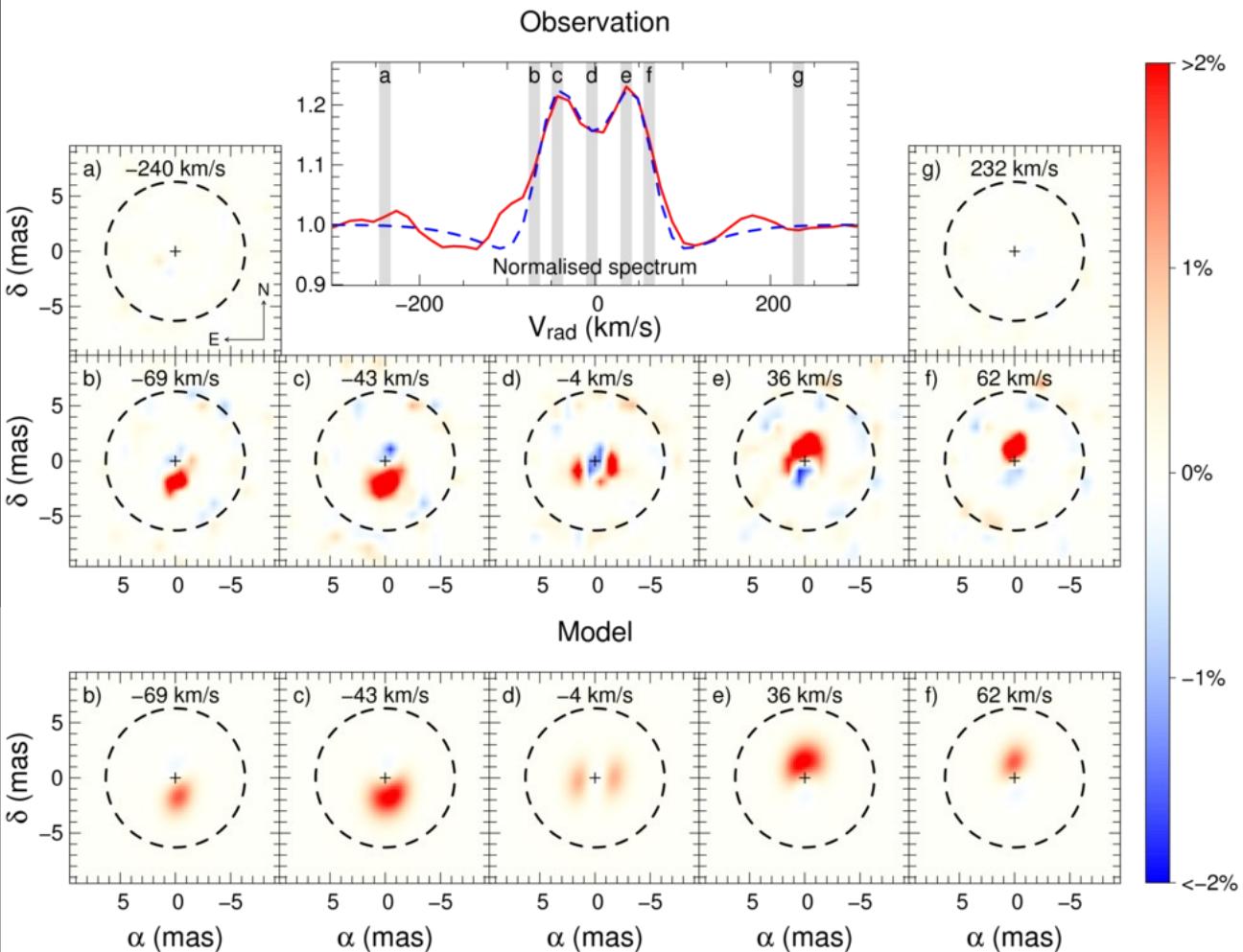
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**self-calibration : differential phases in the image-reconstruction process!**



**Gas and dust disks characterized**

**Millour et al. 2011**



# Imaging with VEGA ?

- VEGA can produce images (3/4T)
- 1<sup>st</sup> step: imaging tests on theta ori C
- 2<sup>nd</sup> step: propose dedicated imaging programs
  - Imaging the disk of a Be star
  - Imaging spotty stellar surfaces
  - Not yet feasible: Imaging a « Pinwheel » nebula in the visible
  - Other ideas?

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## Request for Observing Time at the CHARA Array

*For the Period*

***April 1 – August 30, 2011***

Type only within boxed areas immediately after hyphens

**A. P.I. Name** – Florentin Millour

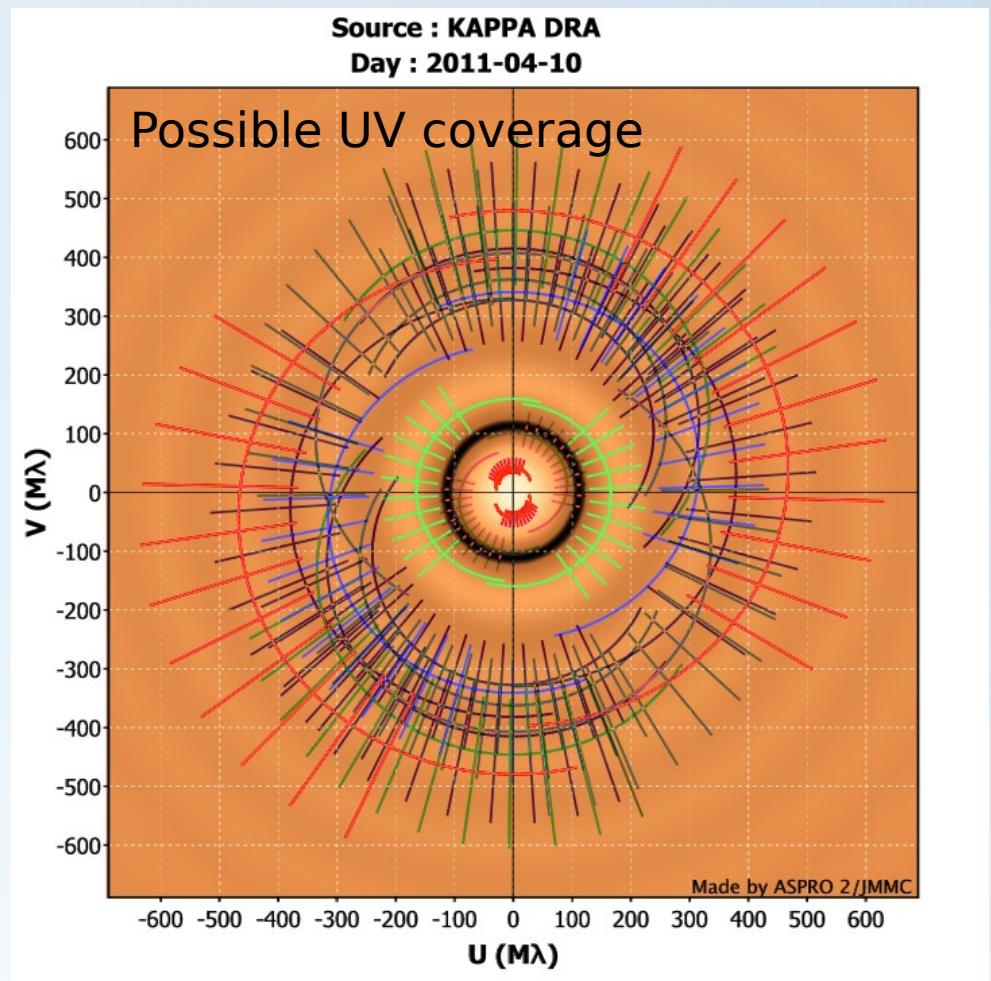
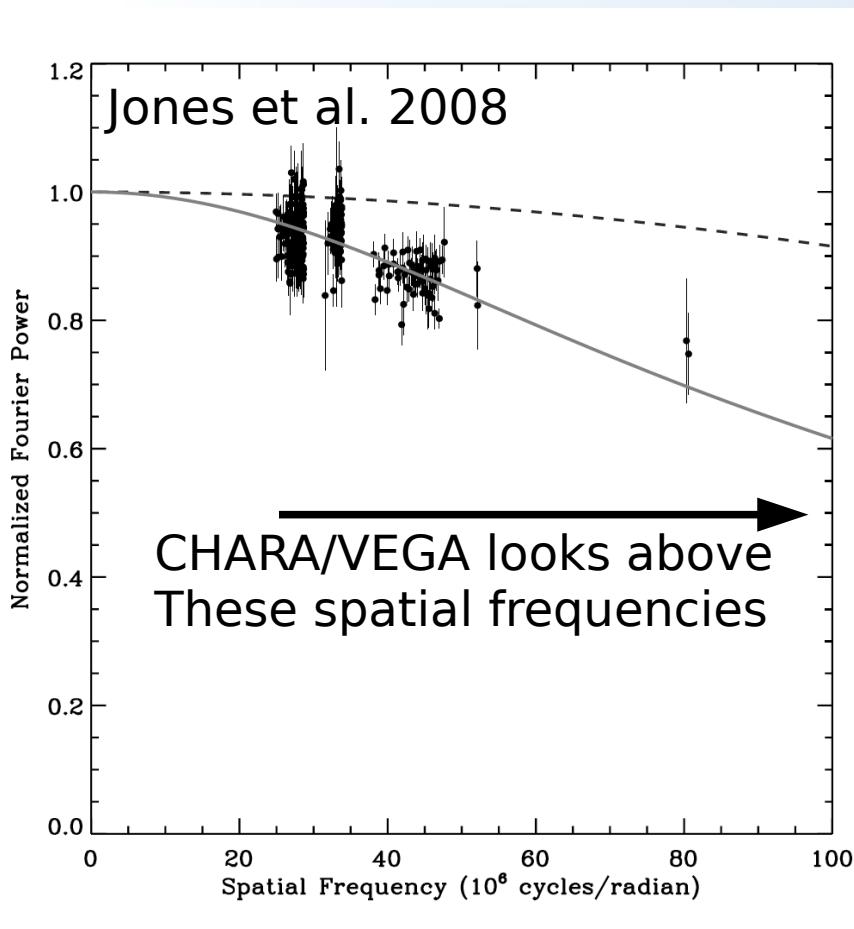
**B. Co-P.I. Names** – Philippe Stee, Anthony Meilland, Omar Delaal

**C. Observing Participants** – Potentially all proposers

**D. Proposal Title** – Imaging the possibly warped disk of the Be star Kappa Draconis

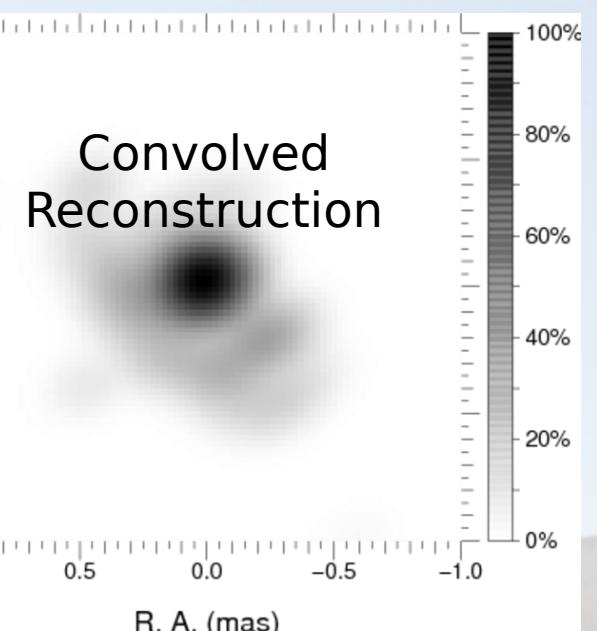
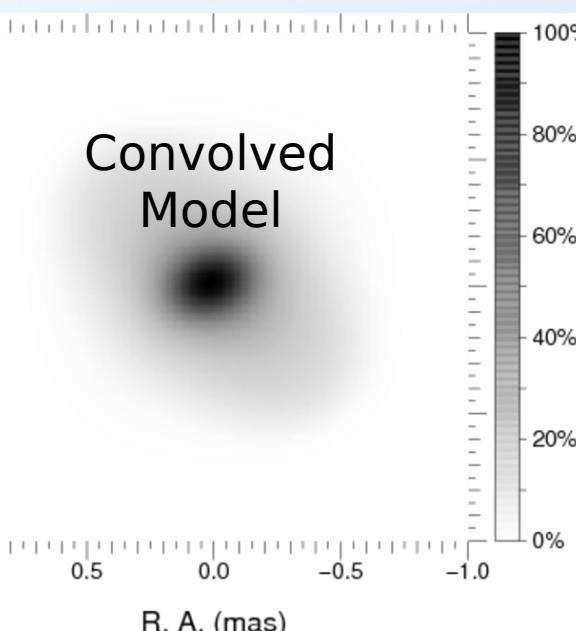
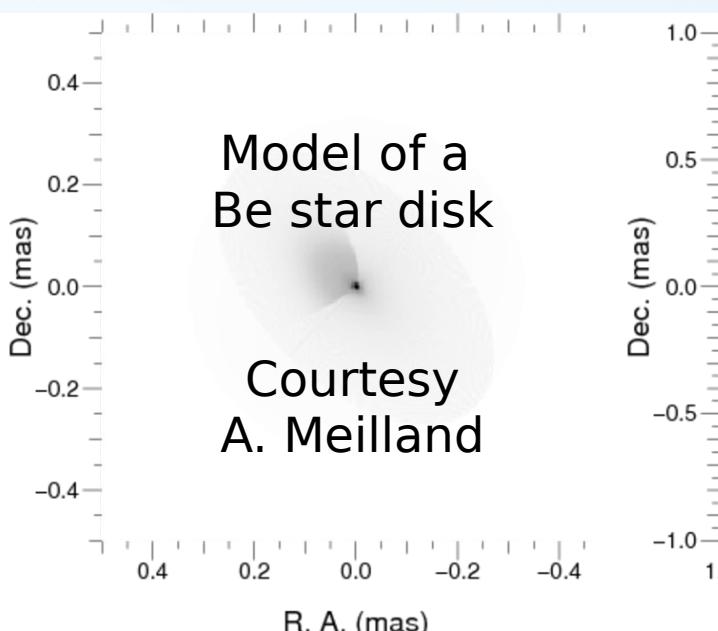
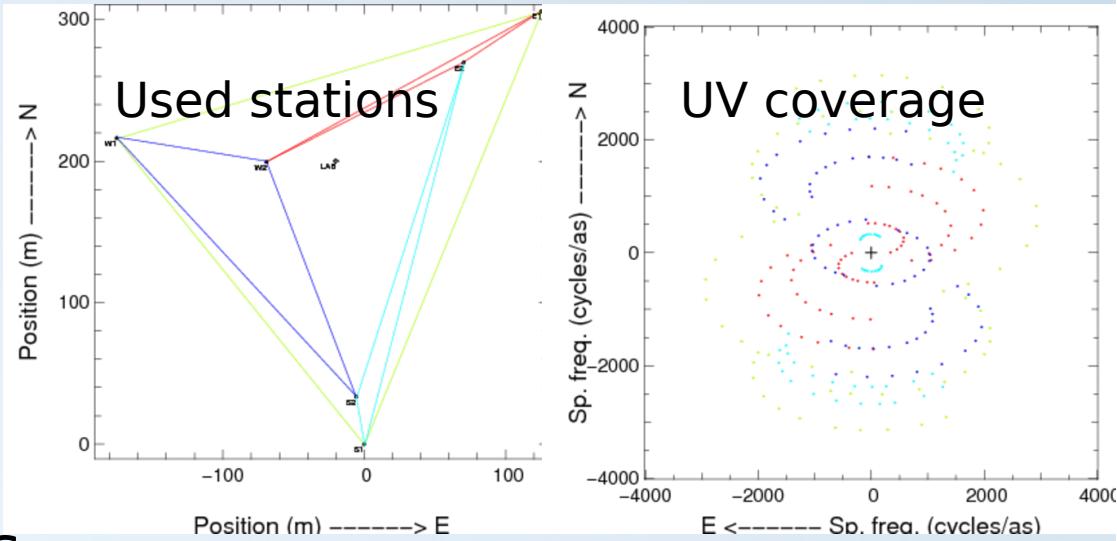
**E. Abstract** (Clearly and briefly state your scientific goals and indicate if this is a PhD thesis project) –

# Imaging the disk of Be stars a self-cal-friendly imaging program

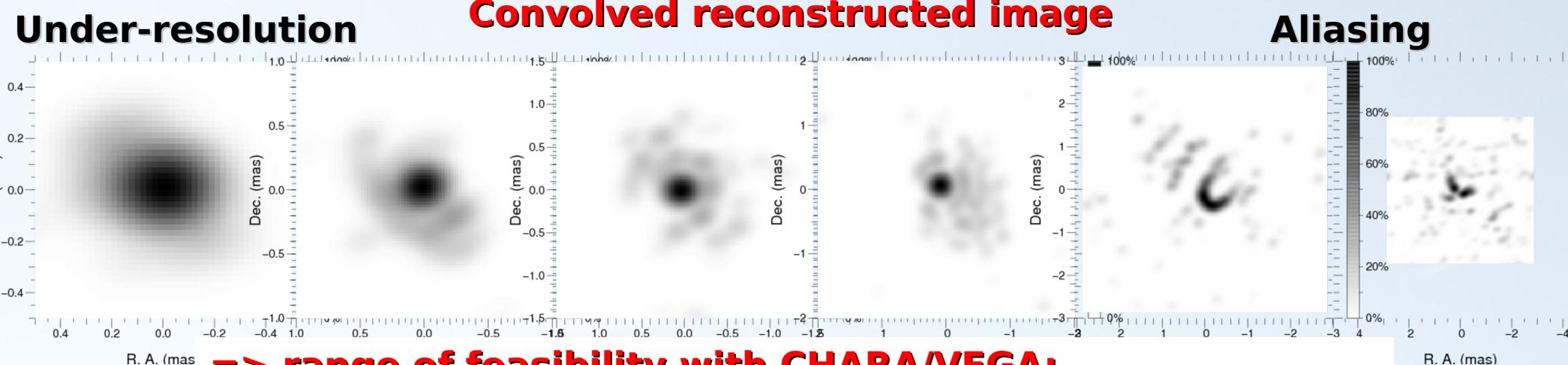
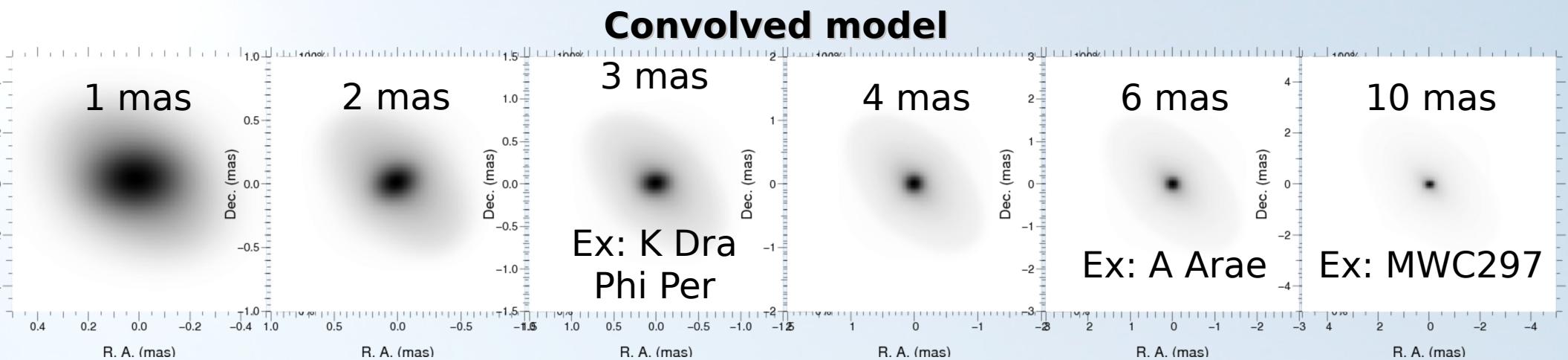


# Imaging the disk of Be stars

- CHARA/VEGA
  - V2 noise 0.05
  - CP noise 0.01
- 1 point every hour
- Good knowledge of errors



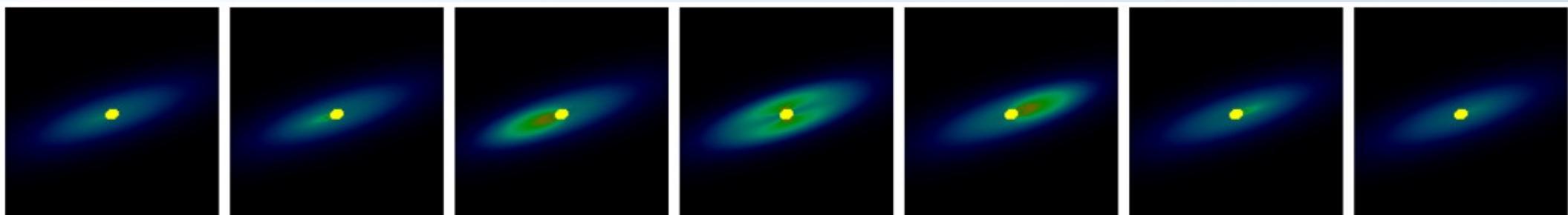
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# Actual VEGA images !

Mourard et al. Submitted  
Be star Phi Persei

Model



6550Å

6554Å

6558Å

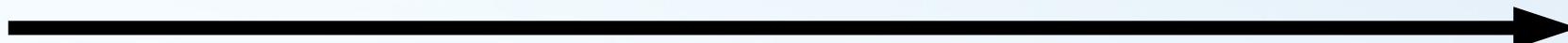
6562Å

6566Å

6570Å

6574Å

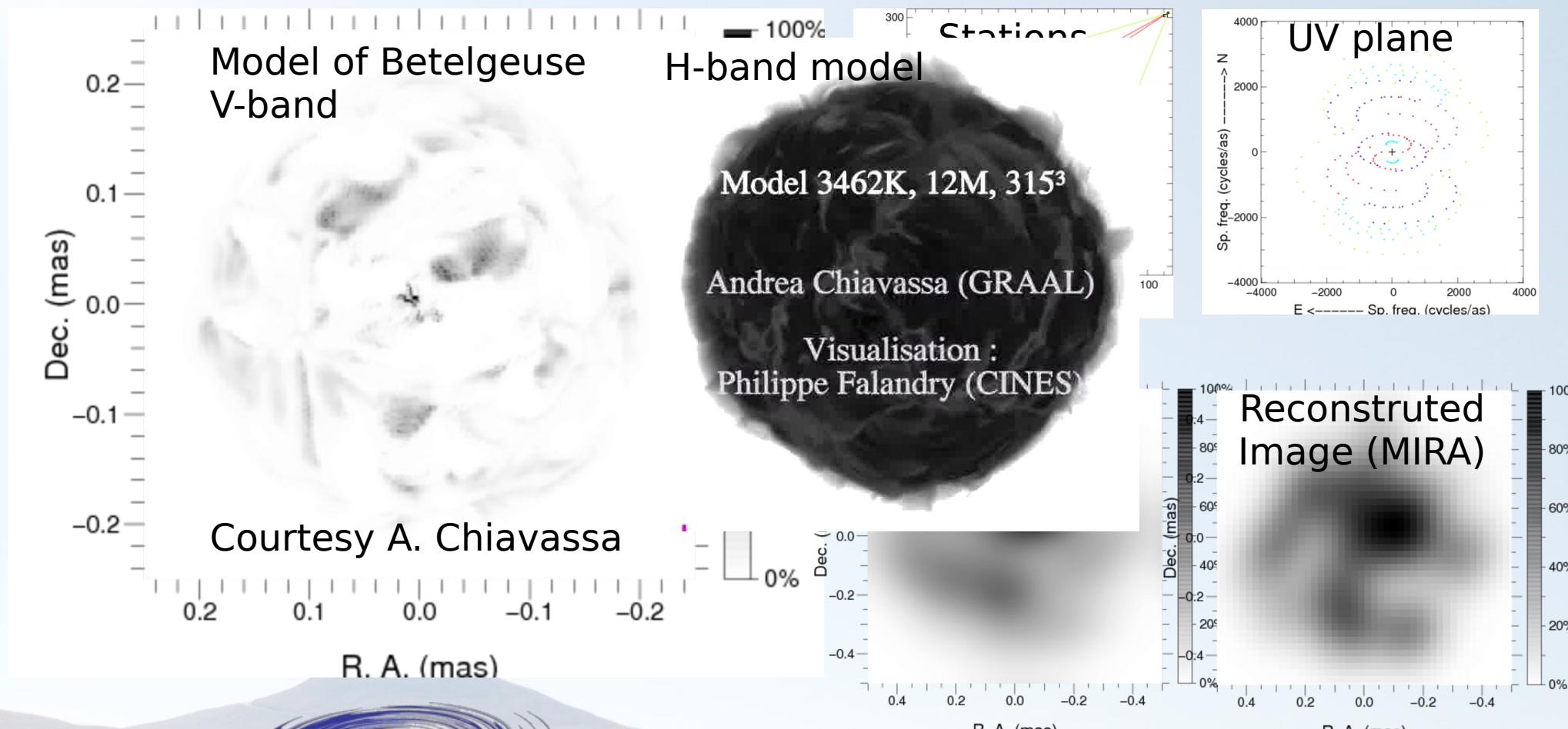
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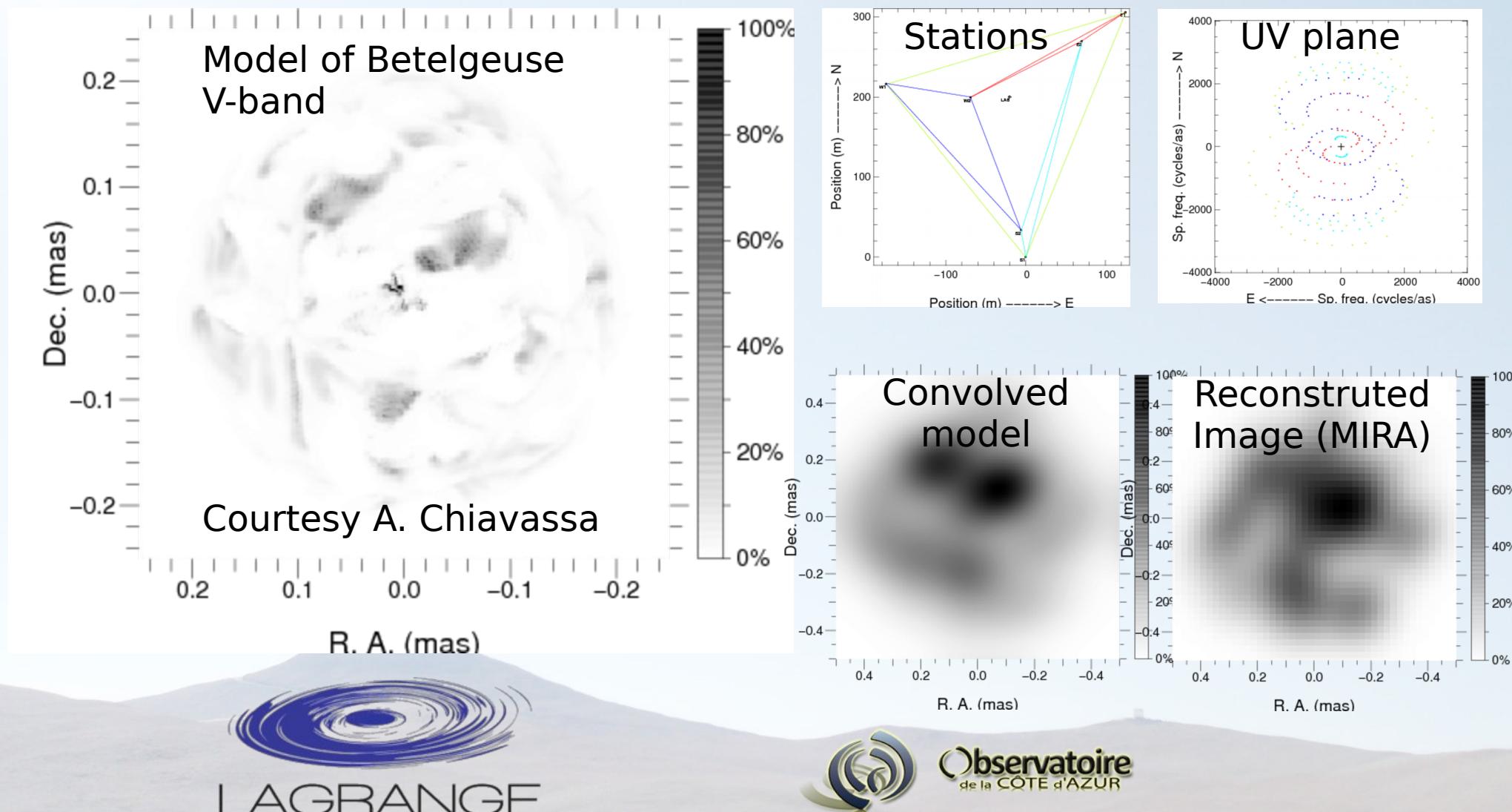
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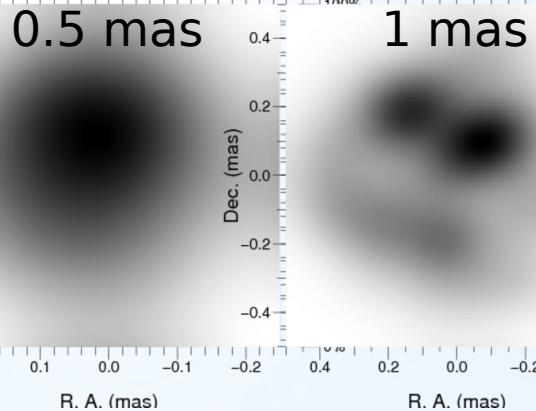
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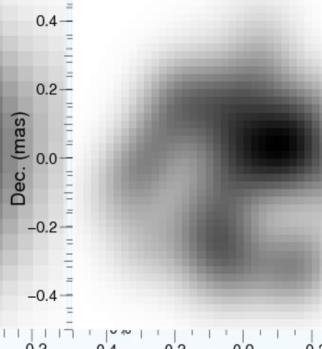


# Influence of the star size

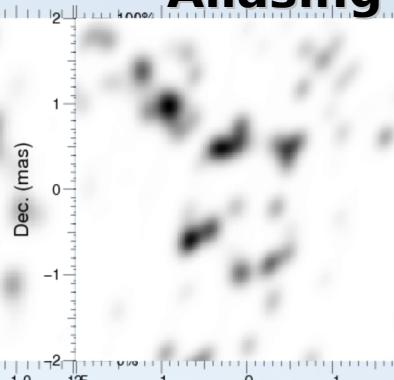
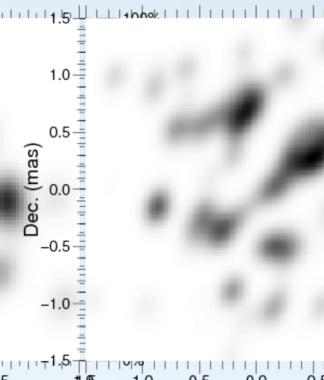
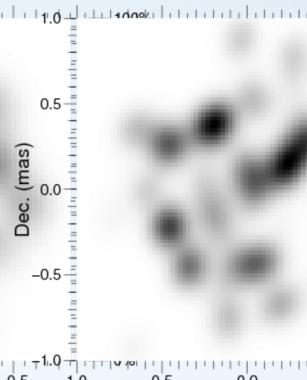
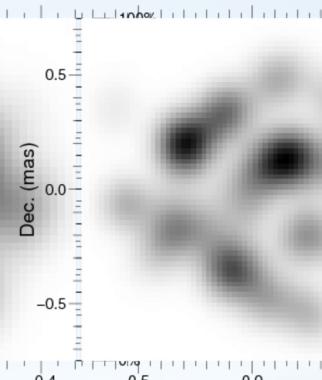
**Convolved model**



**Under-resolution**



**Convolved reconstructed image**



=> range of feasibility of stellar surfaces imaging  
with CHARA/VEGA: from 1 to 3 mas, but then magnitude limit problem

# Summary

- UV coverage
  - long AND short baselines
  - Ntel : 4 minimum, 6 better
- Facilities
  - CHARA or VLTI ?
  - CHARA and VLTI ?
- Spectro-interferometry highly recommended
  - Software do exist now : self-cal, PAINTER, fitOmatic, LITpro
  - Imaging with no or few closure phases is possible
- Low visibilities !
  - Baseline bootstrapping ?