Analytic modeling of AO correction of atmospheric turbulence and segmented telescope aberrations

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AO modeling tools, to do what?

- Science case evaluation
- AO engineering system's design
- AO data reduction software design
- Demonstration / teaching

Two complementary modeling methods exist

- 1. End-to-end models
- 2. Analytical models

End-to-end models

ex: OCTOPUS - Miska Le Louarn, ESO



- To reproduce nature's behavior with highest possible accuracy, NO assumptions on general behaviour are made, only for individual components
- If the simulation results looks strange, it's probably something real
- Output is an understanding of system's behavior
- Consequence of high fidelity: heavy and slow (PC clusters, hours/PSF)
 - Because to get long exposure PSF we need to average N >> 1000 instantaneous PSF

Analytic models

- ex: PAOLA Laurent Jolissaint, Observatory of Leiden
- Once E2E models and real AO systems have produced understanding of systems behavior, AO analytic models can be built



- Accuracy depends on level of understanding of system's behavior
 - Completely knowledge-based: assumptions ARE needed.
 - If simulation results look strange, check the model first...
- Advantages: light and fast (1 PC, a few seconds for a PSF)
 - Long exposure PSF obtained in a single calculation (no loop)

- Today's tendency is to use E2E and analytic models in a complementary way
- Analytic models
 - rapid exploration of parameter space
 - ex: we need 441 PSF for MUSE data analysis software design <u>7 hours/analytic</u> or <u>4 years/E2E</u>
 - Accurate enough for science cases trade-offs
 - Astronomers can have their own, local AO models
- E2E
 - design of complex, non-linear issues, hard to get analytic model...
 - Overall check of final design



AO Analytic modeling: main paradigm

• From AO knowledge: AO correction can be seen as a spatial filtering of the turbulent phase (1st order)

$$\varphi_{\rm res} = f_{\rm AO} * \varphi_{\rm atm}$$

- Assumption: stationarity of correction inside pupil
- Nice consequence $\tilde{\varphi}_{res} = F_{AO} \cdot \tilde{\varphi}_{atm}$
 - Modeling in the Fourier domain (pupil spatial frequency)
 - Models of the AO spatial transfer function F_{AO} are available

AO spatial filter F_{AO} is the central tool in analytic modeling

- Method can be applied everywhere and works like a charm...
 - Telescope static aberrations AO correction
 - Telescope dynamic aberrations AO correction
 - Optical turbulence AO correction

My codes

- PAOLA started 2001
 - Telescope static aberrations
 - Atmospheric turbulence aberrations
 - 56 people in user group
 - Continuous development & maintenance
- OPTICA started 2006 for Thirty Meter Telescope Project
 - Telescope static aberrations
 - Telescope dynamic aberrations (wind jitter)

Download user manuals @ http://www.strw.leidenuniv.nl/~jolissaint/

Some realisations with OPTICA & PAOLA

AO correction of telescope static aberrations

 $F_{\scriptscriptstyle AO}$ contains deformable mirror transfer function and wavefront sensor aliasing





AO correction of telescope static aberrations

Thirty meter telescope project (TMT) ExAO studies - Mitch Troy, Laurent Jolissaint



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3 cosine waves travelling across segmented M1





Phase structure function



AO correction of turbulent phase aberrations analytical code PAOLA

Spatial filter F_{AO} more complex. Contains:

- 1. DM transfer function
- 2. Least square phase reconstructor
- 3. WFS spatial aliasing
- 4. AO loop servo-lag
- Anisoplanatism guide star no co-located with science object
- 6. WFS noise

Analytical modeling of adaptive optics L. Jolissaint, JP. Veran, and R. Conan JOSA A 23, 2, 382-394, 2006/02

Other functionalities implemented in PAOLA

- DM spatial transfer function from influence functions
 - Boston MEMS, Xinetics, Gaussian, Pyramid
- WFS pitch <> DM pitch (limited either by DM or WFS)
- WFS integration time optimization
- Refractive index dispersion effects & water vapor on Cn2
 - Critical for METIS (medium IR AO for E-ELT)
- GLAO/NGS
- Tip-tilt jitter
- Scintillation
- On-going developments
 - LGS
 - LTAO, MCAO, MOAO (NGS based) collaboration with Benoit Neichel, ONERA
 - LTAO, MCAO, MOAO LGS based

GLAO system for VLT (AO Facility, GALACSI - MUSE)



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Testing Xinetics Influence Function model





Generating instantaneous PSF for coronagraphic studies





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Summary

- Analytical codes for modeling AO correction of
 - Telescope static aberrations
 - Telescope dynamic aberrations
 - Optical turbulence aberrations
 - Including hexagonal segments
- Fast
- Tested
- Maintained
- We have what we need to help with the DRM
 - Open to fruitful collaboration...

for details, check http://www.strw.leidenuniv.nl/~jolissaint/

