

# **DRM Update**

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# **Modular Simulation**



- Modular approach reflects structure of DRM
- Ensures flexibility to increase the complexity of each aspect individually as the project evolves
- Allows use of diverse existing software



# **Science Input**

= Number of photons and their distribution in  $(x,y,\lambda)$ -space at top of atmosphere, i.e.:

- Number counts of sources
- Luminosity functions + radial distributions of sources
- Distributions on sky of sources
- Profiles of sources / distribution of flux within sources
- Spectral characteristics



#### **Atmosphere**

- Transmission
- Emission
- Thermal background from warm components





- AO group supplies simulated PSFs as a function of:
  - Type of AO
  - Band
  - Seeing
  - FoV
  - Position within FoV

but for a fixed telescope (diamater, no of actuators, ...)

- Two problems:
  - Short integrations (4 s) --> Does not account for longer scale variation of atmosphere
  - Short integrations (4 s) --> Speckle noise
- Solutions:
  - Use measured 'atmosphere time series' to build weighted averages of individual PSFs
  - Fitting of final PSFs and/or multiple realisations of individual PSFs







# **Telescope / Instrument**

- Size of collecting area
- Throughput
- Filters / spectral resolution
- FoV
- Detector characteristics: pixel size, RO noise
- Distortions
- Scattered light
- Fringing
- Illumination
- Pixel-to-pixel sensitivity variation

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#### K-band image 10 h stars to K < 32 mag (HB @ Virgo)











Including stars to K < 25 mag





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