

PLATO-2.0 Follow-up

Context and organisation

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A next generation transit mission will be efficient only with ground-based help

PLATO Follow-up activities

Overall PSM structure

The prime science product of PLATO = sample of fully characterized planets (various masses, sizes, temperatures, and ages)
=> terrestrial planets in the habitable zone of their parent stars.

=> in addition to the photometric transit detections and asteroseismic characterization, a ground-based follow-up support is absolutely required

Questions addressed

- Needs
 - confirmation (false positives)
 - planet masses (from RVs)
 - tools for optimal planning and operation
- Organization of the Follow-up work
 - strategy
 - work breakdown and interfaces
- Observing facilities
 - yield of the mission and telescope time estimate
 - impact of the recent change in the “space-transit” landscape
 - available/planned facilities
- Future improvements

Mass distribution Spectroscopy

Small mass planets are numerous => huge work

Photometry
Size distribution

Kepler
Howard 2013

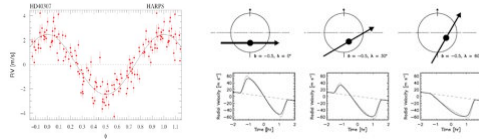
Importance of the follow-up

Goals – Necessity – Organisation

1) Planet parameters

Not obtained from the light curves

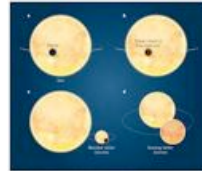
- mass, density
- temperature, geometry
- others



2) False positives

Experience gained from

- ground-based => giant planets
- space => small planets



3) Optimisation

Enhanced science return

- strategy, organisation
- synergies

1) False positives: causes of transit signals: giant planets

Diagnostics

Transiting planet (green checkmark)

PIC
Transit duration, RV

Transiting M companion

V-shaped, ellipsoidal astrometry, RV multi-color photom

Grazing eclipsing binaries

Photometric variations (green question mark)

Astrometry, RV high-angular [AO] imaging line shape

Eclipsing binary plus contaminant optical - physical

help from CoRoT/Kepler experience -> following talks

1) False positives: causes of transit signals: giant planets

- Small-size planets => add false-positive due to diluted transits by giant planets on secondaries => same diagnostics applicable
- statistical approach (BLENDER/PASTIS) => Validation

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Requirements for the organization of the follow-up (1)

Two main aspects of the ground-based follow-up of PLATO reside in

- the **basic planet characterization** through **radial-velocity measurements**
- discarding false positives -> **RV & high angular imaging + photometry**

1. Large number of expected transit candidates => systematic observation of all transits with large telescopes unfeasible => **an optimized follow-up scheme has to be organized**
2. Same level of precision cannot be reached for all stars (spectral type, luminosity class, activity, brightness)
3. Same is true for the RVs and high-contrast imaging
4. Strategy for the follow-up: efficient approach
 - **matching targets and adequate facilities**
 - **freedom of target choice** by the observers having needed information in hand
 - **minimum number of used facilities per target**

Basic idea: i) **automatic distribution of the targets in boxes according to the needs**
ii) **given facilities will only have access to some of the boxes matching their capabilities.**

Requirements for the organization of the follow-up (2)

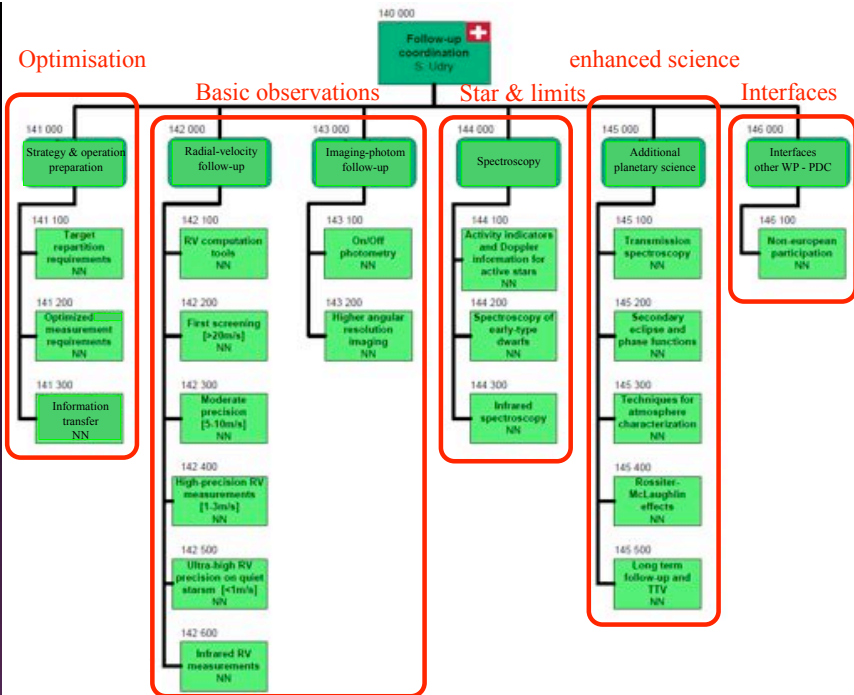
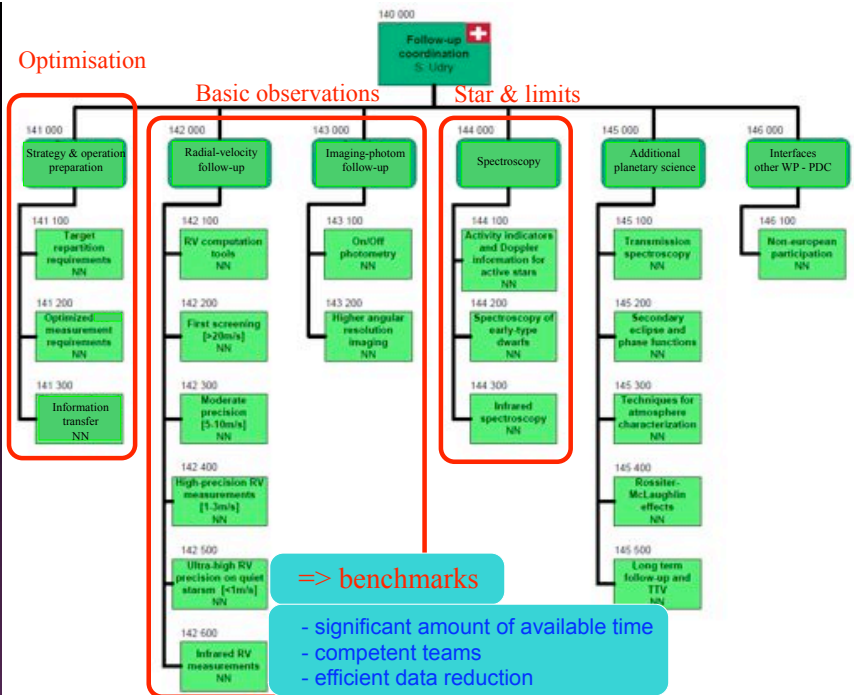
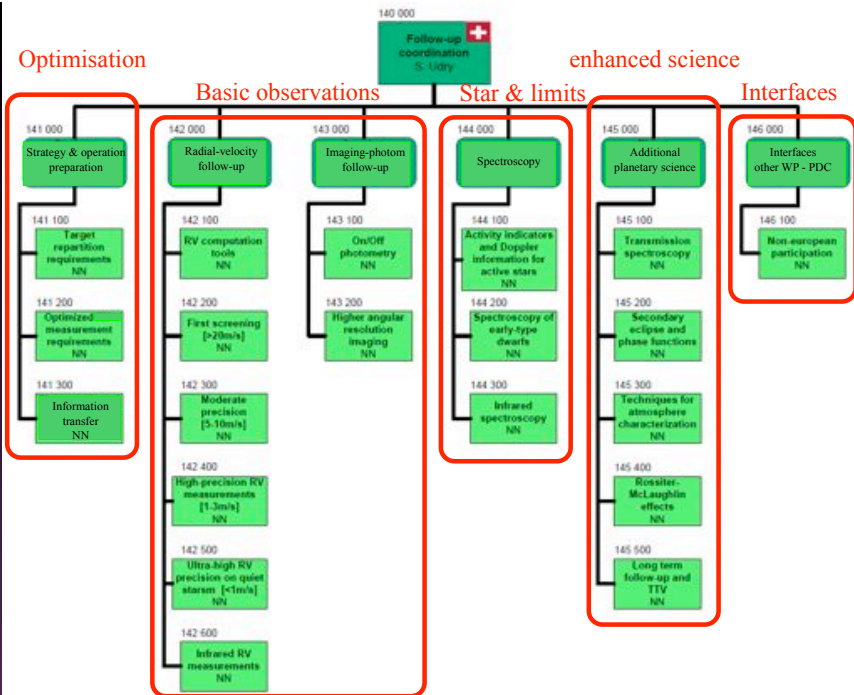
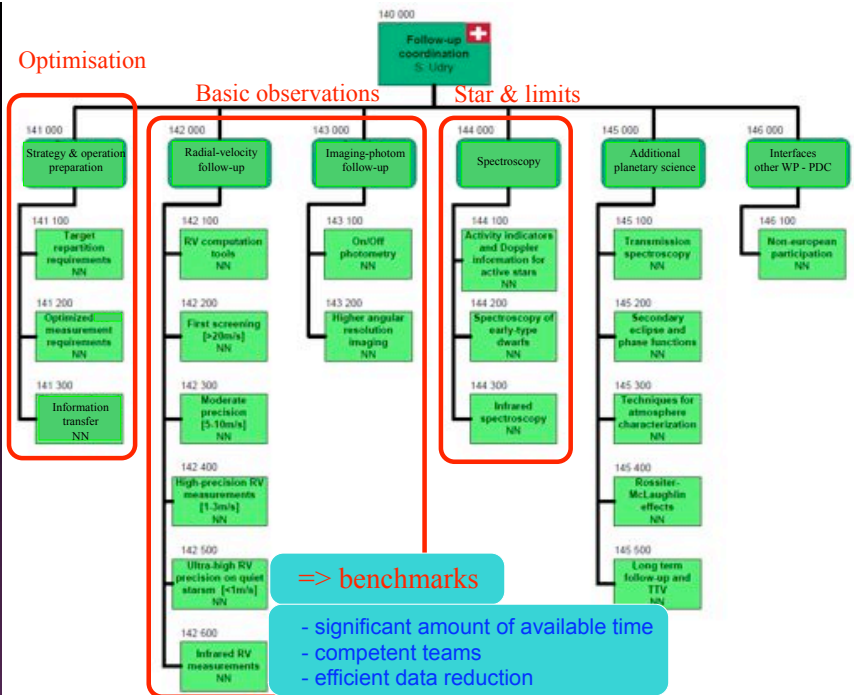
Targets can move from one box to the next, in an evolutionary way, depending on results of previous observations

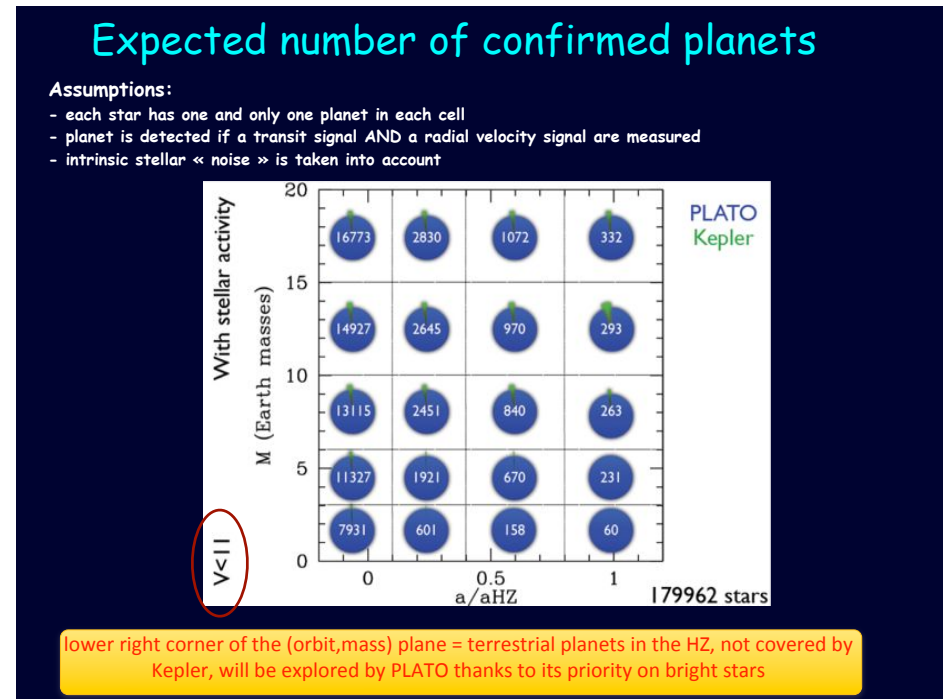
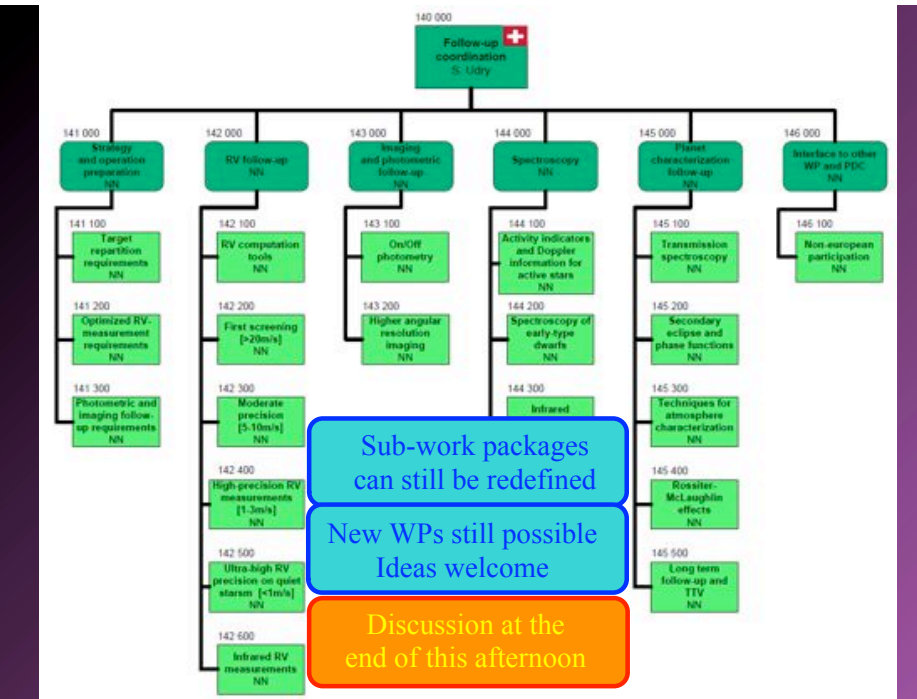
In practice => a multi-step approach from moderate to high-precision instruments

- already successfully used in most of the on-going surveys
- will also nicely apply to PLATO candidates.

To achieve this goal we need to design and develop

- efficient tools for the target repartition
- user interface and tools for the observers
- interface between the PDC and the observer able to accept input from the observer as well (web interface)



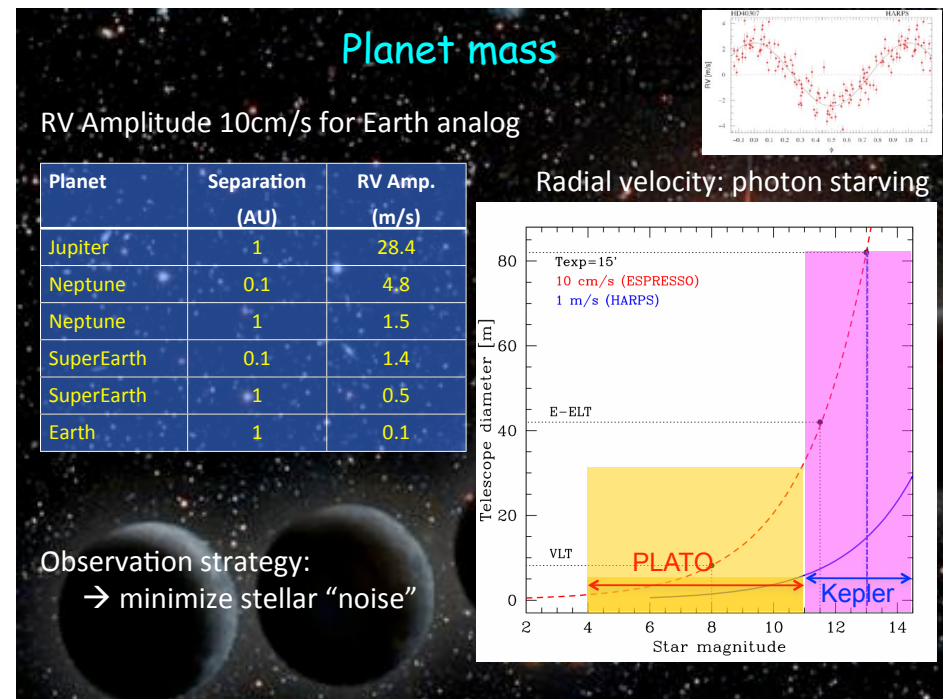


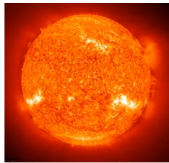
PLATO expected numbers of planets

Simulations (Y. Alibert et al.)



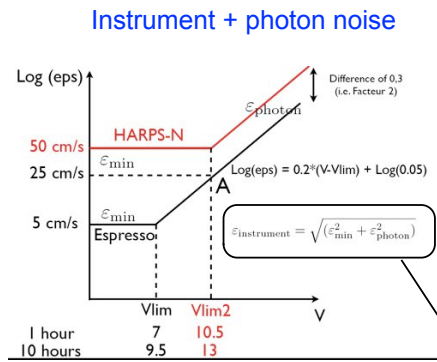
- 1) **Catalog of stars:** actual PLATO field or Besançon model
 - Mass, magnitude
 - Radius
 - Metallicity, activity level (from distributions in the HARPS GTO volume-limited sample)
- 2) **Transit probability** and S/N (**transit detection**) for all (sep, M_{pl}) planets
 - depends on R_{star} and magnitude
 - depends on planet mass and semi-major axis
- 3) **Calculate RV effect** and **probability to confirm** the signal
 - depends on stellar magnitude and activity level (and vsini)
 - depends on planet mass and semi-major axis
 - RV precision estimate:
 - stellar noise simulations
 - observed HARPS precision from early-type and active stars





Radial-velocity precision

+ activity & granulation effects
(Dumusque et al. 2010a, 2010b)



HARPS-N - 15 minutes

activity	1 day	2 days	5 days	10 days
-5.0	1.07	0.75	0.48	0.35
-4.9	1.18	0.87	0.60	0.40
-4.8	1.25	0.97	0.70	0.45
-4.7	3.0			
-4.6	6.0			
-4.5	10.0			
-4.4	15.0			
-4.3	20.0			
-4.2	25.0			
-4.1	30.0			

$\sqrt{N_{\text{binning}}}$ decrease

Espresso - 45 minutes

activity	1 day	2 days	5 days	10 days
-5.0	0.25	0.18	0.11	0.07
-4.9	0.52	0.47	0.37	0.23
-4.8	0.68	0.63	0.50	0.31
-4.7	2.85			
-4.6	5.90			
-4.5	9.90			
-4.4	14.95			
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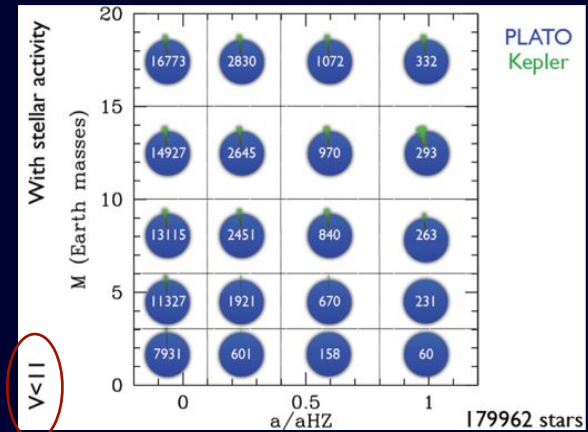
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$$\epsilon = \sqrt{\epsilon_{\text{instrument}}^2 + \epsilon_{\text{activity}}^2}$$

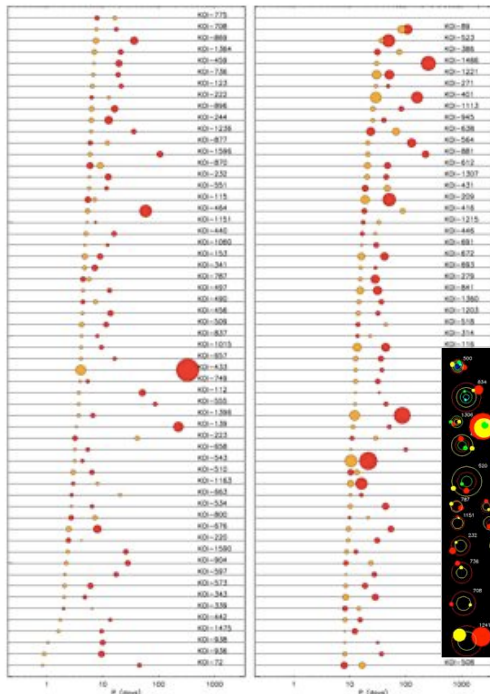
Expected number of confirmed planets

Assumptions:

- each star has one and only one planet in each cell
- planet is detected if a transit signal AND a radial velocity signal are measured
- intrinsic stellar « noise » is taken into account

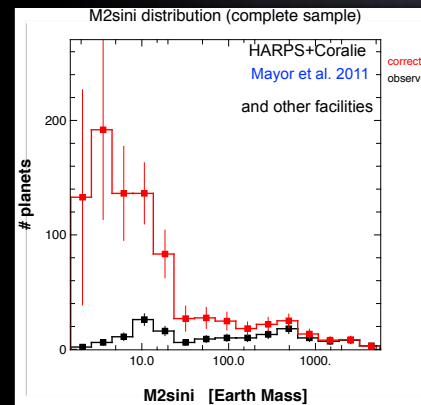
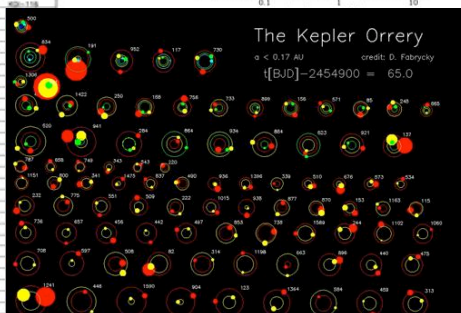
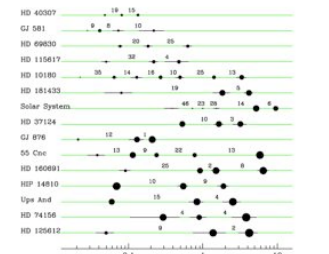


lower right corner of the (orbit,mass) plane = terrestrial planets in the HZ, not covered by Kepler, will be explored by PLATO thanks to its priority on bright stars



Kepler systems

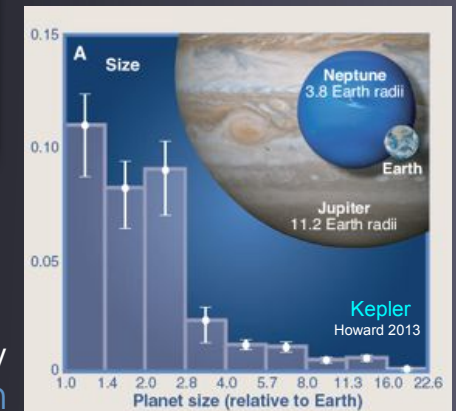
• Same features as RV systems



$P_{\text{super-Earth}}(P < 50d) = 30-50\%$
Kepler \Leftrightarrow HARPS prediction

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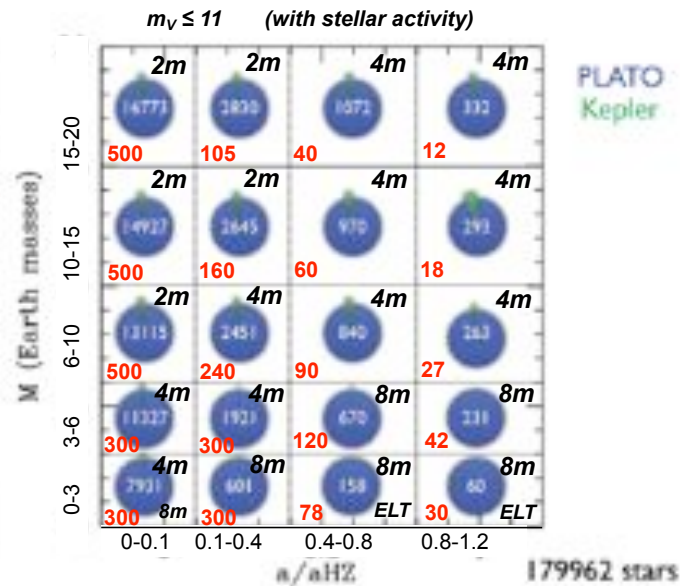


PLATO expected numbers of planets

Not all short-period planets followed-up



Planet legacy on top of stellar physics



Rem: # of planets to follow-up limited to 300 per bin for 4m telescopes and to 500 for 2m-class telescopes

Radial velocity follow-up - Characterization

- adopt subsidiarity principle: optimized use of 1-2m-, 4m-, 8m-class telescopes

- $m_V \leq 11$ stars, with average level of activity, assuming 15 min x 20 observ. per planet

- 1-2m-class telescopes: 10m/s ; giant planets on short/medium orbits
1750 stars : ~900 nights = ~50 nights/year x 6 years x 3 telescopes

- 4m-class telescopes: 1 m/s ; giant planets on long orbits, super-earths on short/medium orbits
1400 stars : ~700 nights = ~40 nights/year x 6 years x 3 telescopes

- 8m-class telescopes: 10cm/s ; super-earths on long orbits, earths on short/medium orbits, earths on long orbits around brightest stars ($m_V < 10$)
550 stars : ~240 nights = ~40 nights/year x 6 years x 1 telescope

- ELT: earths on long orbits around faintest stars ($m_V \sim 11$)

- secure dedicated access to 1-2m- & 4m-class telescopes via early agreements with ground-based agencies

- groundbased follow-up = world-wide effort

Doable with existing and soon to be available facilities

Replace ELODIE since Nov 2006
Res = 70'000 - $\Delta\lambda = 380-680$ nm

Upgrade of the instrument in 2011 with octagonal fibers
RV precision ~ 2 m/s

On-going development of a new calibration unit
Upgrade of the Data Reduction

Bouchy et al. 2009, 2013

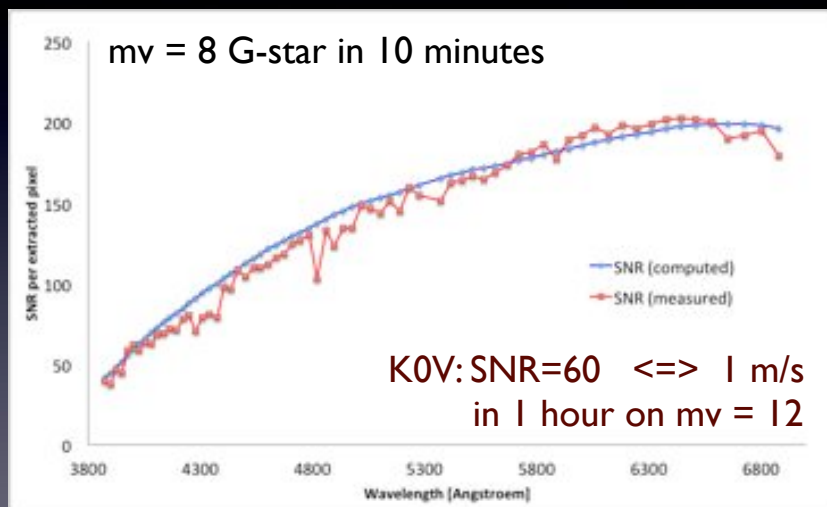
HARPS-N

Consortium

- Geneva Observatory (Head),
- CfA, Harvard University,
- INAF-TNG,
- University of St. Andrews,
- University of Edinburgh,
- Queens University Belfast

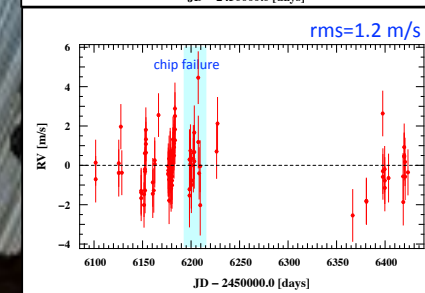
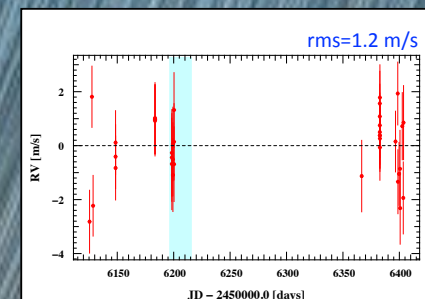


Efficiency & bench mark



The first season of the HARPS-N programs

- Start: summer 2012
still "young"
Precision: ~ 1 m/s
- GTO: 80 nights/yr
- Kepler candidate FU
- Rocky Planet Search
- RPS GTO Survey
- ~ 40 stars
- very precise observations



- HARPS-N TNG + INT La Palma < 1 m/s
- Sophie OHP ~ 2 m/s
- Coralie + FEROS La Silla
- 2m Tautenburg +
- PARAS on Mount Abu
- Carnegie Planet Finder at Magellan < 2 m/s
- Chiron at CTIO $\Rightarrow 0.5-1.5$ m/s
- ESPRESSO on VLT $\Rightarrow < 10$ cm/s in 2016
- LCOGT
- Harvester on Palomar
- Pathfinder on HET
- GCLEF on GMT
- HIRES on E-ELT 2-3 cm/s
- UKIRT Planet Finder
- NAHUAL on GranTeCan
- CARMENES at Calar Alto
- SPIROU on CFHT
- and more...

in development

IR spectrographs

ESPRESSO on ESO VLT

«Echelle SPECTrograph for Rocky Exoplanets and Stable Spectroscopic Observations»

- Ultra-stable spectrograph for the VLT
- R=120'000
- visible: blue + red arms
- can use any of the UTs (coudé train)
- Consortium : CH, Italy, Portugal, Spain
- FDR in June 2013
- On the sky : 2016
- Precision in RV : < 10 cm/s
- Goal : Very low-mass planets
- Sample : 50-100 quiet dwarfs (K-M)
- GTO : 200 nights
- Expected: 25-50 planets



Organization of Groundbased follow-up

