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Exploring beyond! Advancements in exoplanet detection in the SHINE High-Contrast Imaging survey through RSM framework

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Motivation

In High Contrast Imaging field, we aim to image young giant planets at separations >10 au from their star in thermal emission. With 10-m class telescopes, dedicated adaptive optics, coronagraphs and observing strategies, we reach flux planet-star ratio limit (contrast) of ~ 10-5 at 0.2 arcsec. The goal is to push the detection limits at close separations from the star using advanced post-processing algorithms that better differentiate between planetary signal and aberrations caused by imperfections in adaptive optics.

Survey & observing strategies

SpHere INfrared Survey for Exoplanets (SHINE, Desidera et al., 2021)



SPHERE instrument at VLT, using SAXO extreme AO & Lyot Coronagraph



February 2015 to 2021



F150 sample: 53 BA stars, 77 FGK, 20 M stars

IRDIS narrowband filters: H2-H3, with 9" diameter field of view Science observations: ADI image sequence



Confirmed exoplanet using ADI-PCA: HIP 65426 b



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Advanced post-processing algorithm !

New point sources in SHINE survey!

Regime Switching Model (RSM) algorithm Dahlqvist et al. 2021

Pixel Index

Different PSF subtraction models at once!

RSM builds time series from the pixel values along the various frames and search for any changes in the time series by adapting statistical models to describe the two regimes.

Detection limits using different PSF subtraction methods

Check poster <mark>997</mark> on **Thursday** for other advancements in SHINE!





0.6

0.0

-0.6

1.2

RSM probability map

PCA SNR map







+ many more new point sources candidates..

New detection limits in SHINE !

Median contrast computed for 20 datasets using the best combinations

