Pan-Planets with PANSTARRS

And: CfA, John Hopkins Uni., UK Consortium, Centr. Uni. Taiwan
Panoramic Survey Telescope and Rapid Response System
The renaissance of wide-field imaging

- Wide-field imaging (e.g. Palomar, UKST sky surveys) fell into decline with advent of CCDs (high QE, tiny FOV)

- Subsequent decades have seen
  - Exponential growth in area of detectors
  - Matching growth of computer hardware
  - Major investment in image reduction software

- Current state of the art
  - CFHT/Megacam (3.6m/300Mpix)
  - Subaru/Suprime (8m/100Mpix)
  - First optical/near-IR digital surveys complete (SDSS, 2MASS …)
Pan-STARRS 1

- 1.8m R-C + corrector (f/4)
- 7 square degree FOV
- 1.4 Gpixel camera
- Sited on Haleakala (Maui)
- 490 square deg/hour
- All sky + deep field surveys in g,r,i,z,y
Pan-STARRS Deployment Plan

- PS1
  - Single telescope to be deployed on Haleakala, Maui
  - To operate from 2007 through 2010

- PS4
  - Full-scale system to be deployed ca. 2010
  - To be sited on Mauna Kea
  - ~10 years mission lifetime
Detectors: The Orthogonal Transfer Array

- A new paradigm in large imagers.
- Partition a conventional large-area CCD imager into an array of independently addressable CCDs (cells).

64 OTAs in the focal plane of each detector
• OTAs demonstrate expected QE (-65°C)
Pan-STARRS Bandpasses
Pan-STARRS overview

• Time domain astronomy
  – Transient objects
  – Moving objects
  – Variable objects

• Static sky science
  – Enabled by stacking repeated scans to form a collection of ultra-deep static sky images
Scientific Goals

• Inner Solar System Science (10^7 asteroids, 10^4 NEO)

• Outer Solar System (Trans Neptunian Objects)

• Stars and the Galaxy
  (Complete stellar census to 100 pc, Best substellar IMF, proper motion of most stars in the MW, merger tidal tails in halo, halo structure, …)

• Static Sky Cosmology
  (Weak Lensing on very large angular scales (DM distribution), galaxy clustering, …)

• Cosmology – Type Ia Supernova
  (Dark energy equation of state w(z), SF history, SN physics, …)

• Census of short-time-scale transients
  (gamma-ray bursts, transits, …)
A Search for Transiting Extra-Solar Planets with PANSTARRS

What is a Planet?

WORKING GROUP ON EXTRASOLAR PLANETS (WGESP) OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASTRONOMICAL UNION:

Deuterium Burning Limit: Objects with true masses below the limiting mass for thermonuclear fusion of deuterium, equal to be 13 Jupiter masses for objects of solar metallicity, that orbit stars or stellar remnants are "planets" (no matter how they formed).
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Pan-Planets

Transit Method: temporary occultation or transit when the planet passes in front of the parent star causing a drop in its brightness

Transit Observables:

- **Transit depth** \( dF = (R_p/R^*)^2 \rightarrow \text{radius } R_p \) 
  (\( dF \sim 1\% \) Jupiter-like planet transiting sun-like star)

- **Period** \( P = (4\pi^2a^3/GM^*)^{1/2} \rightarrow \text{orbital radius } a \)

- **Transit duration** \( (t_{\text{flat}}/t_T)^2 = ([1-Rp/R^*]^2 - [(D/R^*)\cos i]^2)([1+Rp/R^*]^2 - ([D/R^*]\cos i]^2) \rightarrow \text{inclination angle } i \) (if \( R^*, M^* \) are known)

- \( i + RV \rightarrow \text{planetary mass and density}! \)

HST lightcurves of Tres-1 and HD209458
Brown et al., 2001, 2006
Results of Transits Surveys - I

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Planet Parameters:
- $M_p = 1.3\ M_{\text{Jup}}$
- $R_p = 1\ R_{\text{Jup}}$
- Orbital Radius = 0.03 AU
- Period = 1.43 days
- Inclination = 88 deg
- Eccentricity = 0

Star Parameters:
- Spectral Type - K
- $I = 14.4\ \text{mag}$
- $M_{\text{star}} = 0.77\ M_{\odot}$
- $R_{\text{star}} = 0.78\ R_{\odot}$
- Limb Darkening Coef. $(I) = 0.58$
Results of Transit Surveys - II

Bakos et al. 2006
Strength and Weakness of the Transit Method

• **Strength:**
  – Radius of planet can be inferred from transit depth \((R_p/R_\star)^2\)
  – Sensitive to planets in the habitable zone
  – True survey: all stars observed in the same manner
  – Planetary atmospheres
  – Detection of planetary satellites and circumplanetary rings

• **Weakness:**
  – Orbital plane must be nearly edge-on: geometric probability \(P_g \sim D./2a \rightarrow 0.5\%\) for our Earth.
  – False positives are a major concern:
    • grazing eclipsing binaries
    • transits of small stars in front of a large star
    • blended eclipsing binaries with deep eclipses
Competitiveness of Pan-Planets in the Current Context

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All projects with telescope sizes similar to PS1 have FOV < 0.4 sqdeg.

PS1 has fast read-out (few seconds), and quick telescope slew
Pan-Planets

Observing Strategy:
- 180 hours/year equivalent to 30 day campaign/year (6 hours/night)
- 3 hours blocks/night
- 2 targets: in the field and toward an open cluster
- One image every 2 min. allowing to reach I=16mag
  (and read-out + telescope slewing to next field)
- 3 fields covering 21 deg² with time sampling equal to 6 min.

Expected Results:
- For a target in the field
  - Besançon Models predict 1.4 million stars with 480,000 dwarfs in 3 fields
  - Assuming photometric precision of 0.3% for I=13 mag to 1% for I=16 mag

Simulations

~ 100 Jupiter-like planets in 3 years!
Besançon Model of the Galaxy:

One field in the Sagitta Constellation
(RA=19h 50m, DEC=17° 04m)

Total number of stars: 564,116
Total number of F,G,K,M dwarfs: 161,394
F dwarfs: 68,914
G dwarfs: 65,261
K dwarfs: 23,226
M dwarfs: 3,993
Follow-up Strategy of the Candidates

False positives are a major concern:
- grazing eclipsing binaries
- transits of small stars in front of a large star
- blended eclipsing binaries with deep eclipses

- **Multi-band and High-Cadence Photometry** for blend identification through color changes and morphological features (ellipsoidal variation)

- **Low Resolution Spectroscopy** to identify spectral type of stars, constraint the sources size. This allows to rule out giant contaminants, and mass and radius determination of the planets

- **Medium Resolution Radial Velocity** to select grazing eclipsing binaries. Expected amplitudes are several tens of kms\(^{-1}\), whereas hundred ms\(^{-1}\) for a Jupiter-mass planet around a sun-like star

- **High-Resolution Radial Velocity** to confirm planetary transits on a sample with minimal contamination.
Prospects for Pan-STARRS

• PANSTARRS project has an exceptional potential for transit searches due to the combination:
  – large FOV = 7 deg²
  – significant telescope size of 1.8m
  – fast read-out of the CCD camera (few seconds)
  – quick slew of the telescope

• These features allow frequent monitoring of several 100,000 stars in only one field, and million of stars in two or more fields!

• PAN-STARRS would devote 30 days per year during 3 years to search for transiting planets, harvesting more than 100 H and VH Jupiter like-planets.