



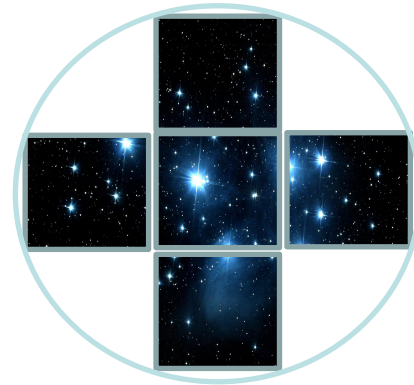
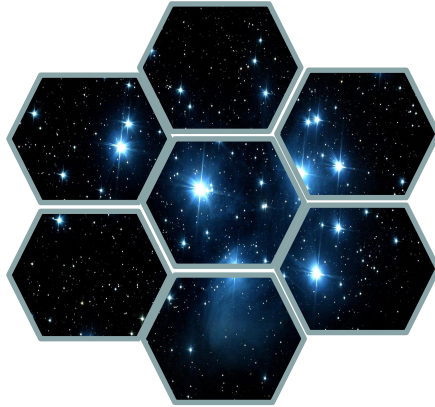
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Phasing segmented telescopes via deep learning techniques



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Context

Earth observation from Low Earth Orbits (LEO)

- High angular resolution $\frac{\lambda}{D}$

Limited by the telescope aperture and wavelength

➡ Increase the telescope size

- High revisit rate

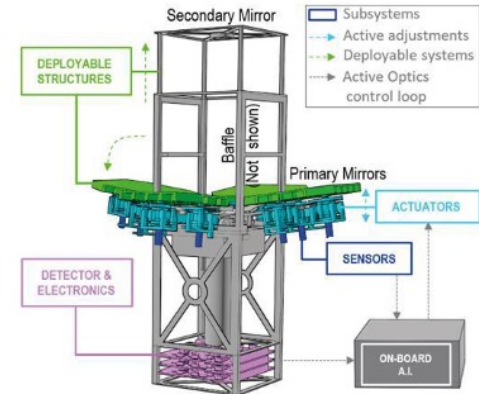
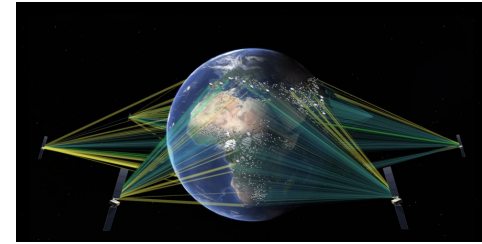
Requires constellation of multiple satellites

Limited by satellite cost i.e. dimension/manufacture

➡ Reduce the satellite volume

- Particularly interesting for LEO imaging at high resolution

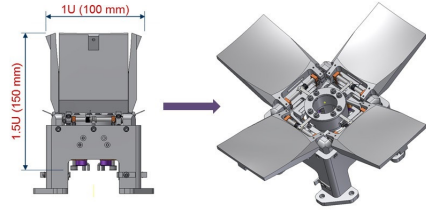
- Agriculture
- Climate services
- Disaster management
- Defense



Needs **combine high angular resolution** and **high revisit rate**: fitting a **deployable telescope** inside a relatively small platform (CubeSat standard).

Context

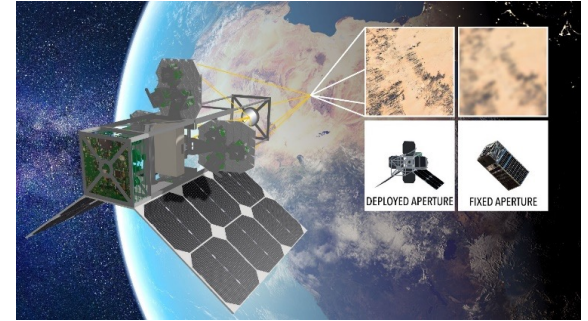
AZIMOV – The CubeSat deployable space telescope



3.0 m resolution
(D=10 cm at 500 km)



1.0 m resolution
(D=30 cm at 500 km)

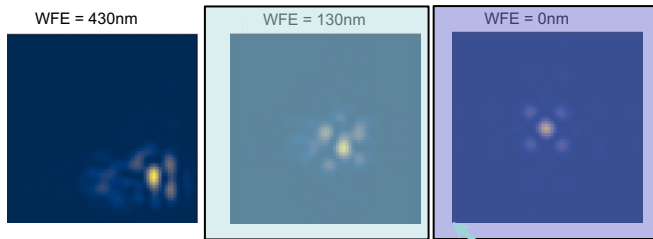


Ground Sampling Distance	1 m at 600 nm
Field of View	>2 km (goal 5 km).
Wavelengths	400-800 nm
Deployment residual wavefront error	<2 waves at 800 nm PV / 400nmRMS
Total residual wavefront error	70 nm RMS
Aperture diameter	≥ 300 mm
M1-M2 distance	≥ 280 mm
Payload volume	4U

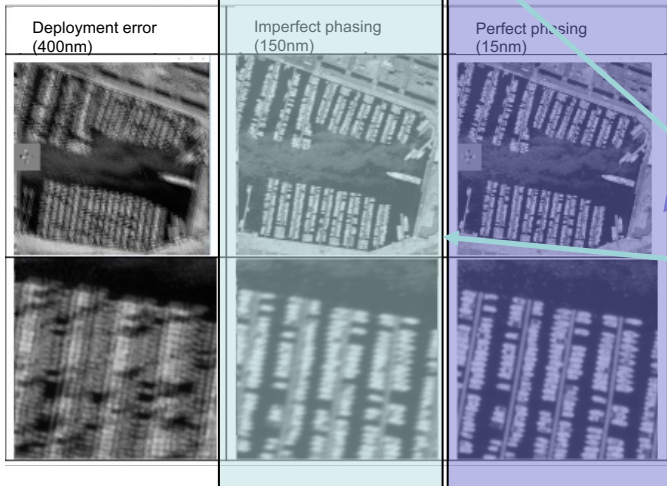
Requirement

Error budget

Point source
PSF



Extended scene
Aberrated image



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Payload volume	4U

Equivalent resolution of a 10cm telescope

Error budget

Step	Capture range	Precision specification
Telescope initial deployment	-	Within the detector
Coarse phasing	Detector field of view	Sub-wavelength
Fine phasing	Few Wavelength	15nm RMS

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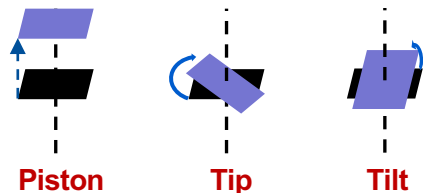
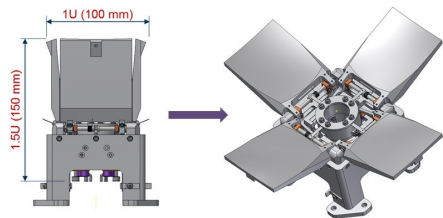
Total WFE of 70nm RMS includes :

- **Measurement error**
- Latency
- Control errors
- Actuator resolution and drifts

Phasing under **15nm** in the visible is essential to reach diffraction limit resolution.

Constraints

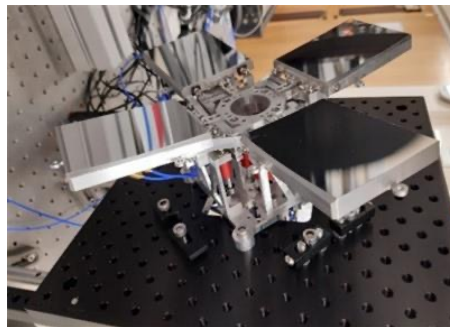
Active control of the segment



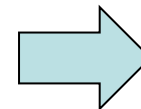
12 coefficients to estimate,
PTT for each of the 4 segments

$$WFE = \sum_{\{k=0\}}^{\{4\}} \sqrt{\sum_{\{i=0\}}^{\{3\}} c_k^i{}^2}$$

No additional optical path

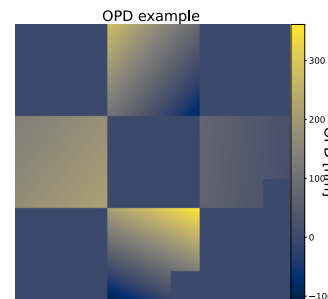
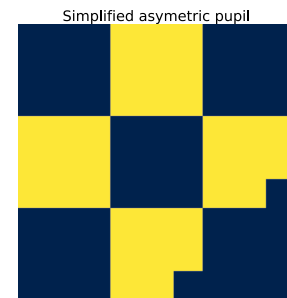


Requires diversity



- No WFS : only **focal plane wavefront sensing**.
- No defocused image, **1 image used for the sensing**.

Amplitude diversity ¹



Crop 5% of the total collecting area

Methods – Focal Plane wavefront sensing

Classical FP Methods

Deep Learning

Phase diversity ²

Image Sharpening ³

Minimize a numerical criterion

Optimize an optical criterion

- Iterative
- Model dependent
- Initial guess

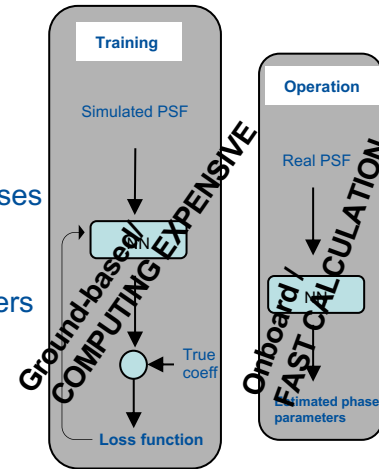
- Iterative
- Model-free
- Initial guess
- Requires active correction at each iteration

Optimize a numerical criterion to adjust filters, weights and biases.

- Data-Driven
- "Model-free"
- Stochastic learning
- Deterministic estimation

How it works ?

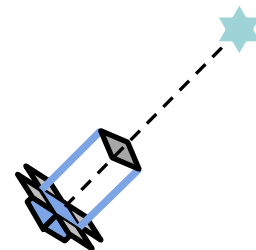
- Dataset :
 - Realisations representative of real cases
 - Coherent numbers of samples
- Training : Optimize HP
- Operation : NN models infer phase parameters



Objectives

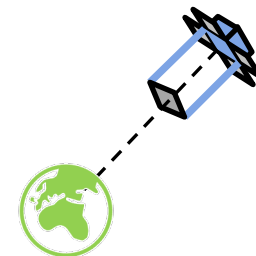
- **Study NN ability for FPWFS**
 - Model sizes
 - Noise propagation
 - Robustness to Higher-Order aberrations
 - Comparison to SoTA
- **Uses NN as phasing strategy for AZIMOV**
 - Full telescope phasing
 - Closed-loop

Point source

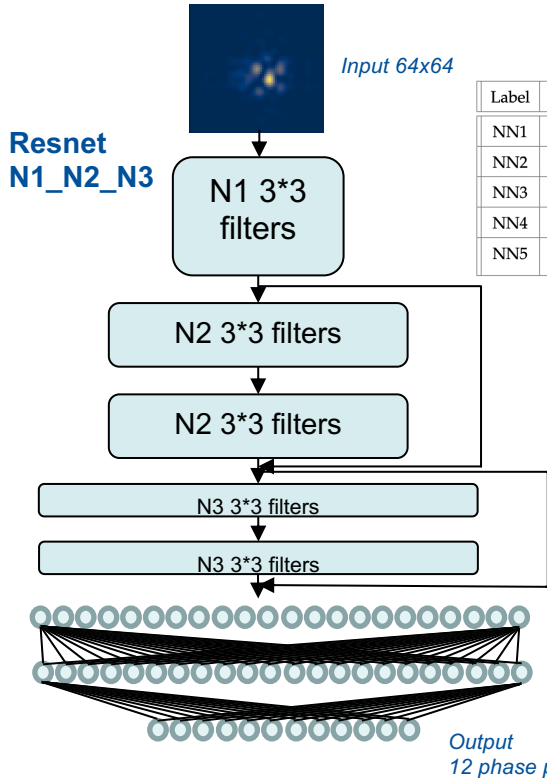


- **How about Earth observation ?**

Extended scene

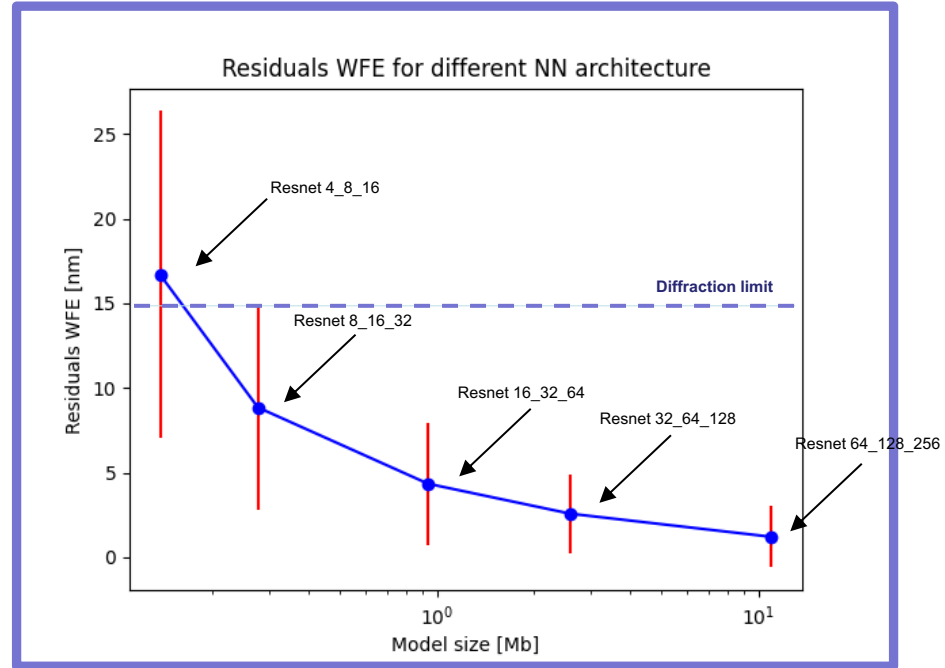


Baseline performance, impact of NN complexity



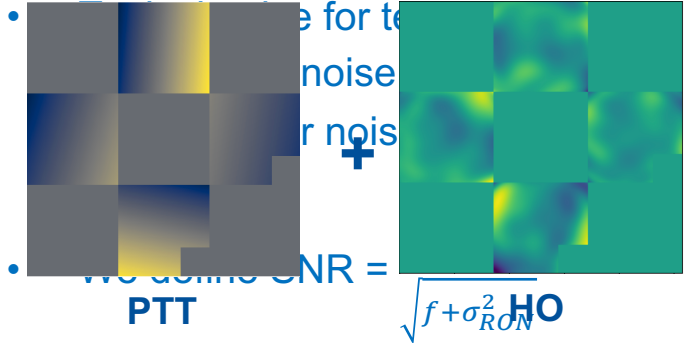
Label	N1	N2	N3	# parameters	Model size [MB]
NN1	4	8	16	$13 \cdot 10^3$	0.134
NN2	8	16	32	$31 \cdot 10^3$	0.278
NN3	16	32	64	$94 \cdot 10^3$	0.94
NN4	32	64	128	$326 \cdot 10^3$	2.6
NN5	64	128	256	$1.2 \cdot 10^6$	11

10x smaller than Resnet18

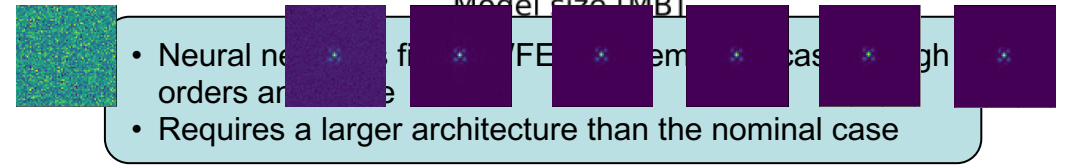
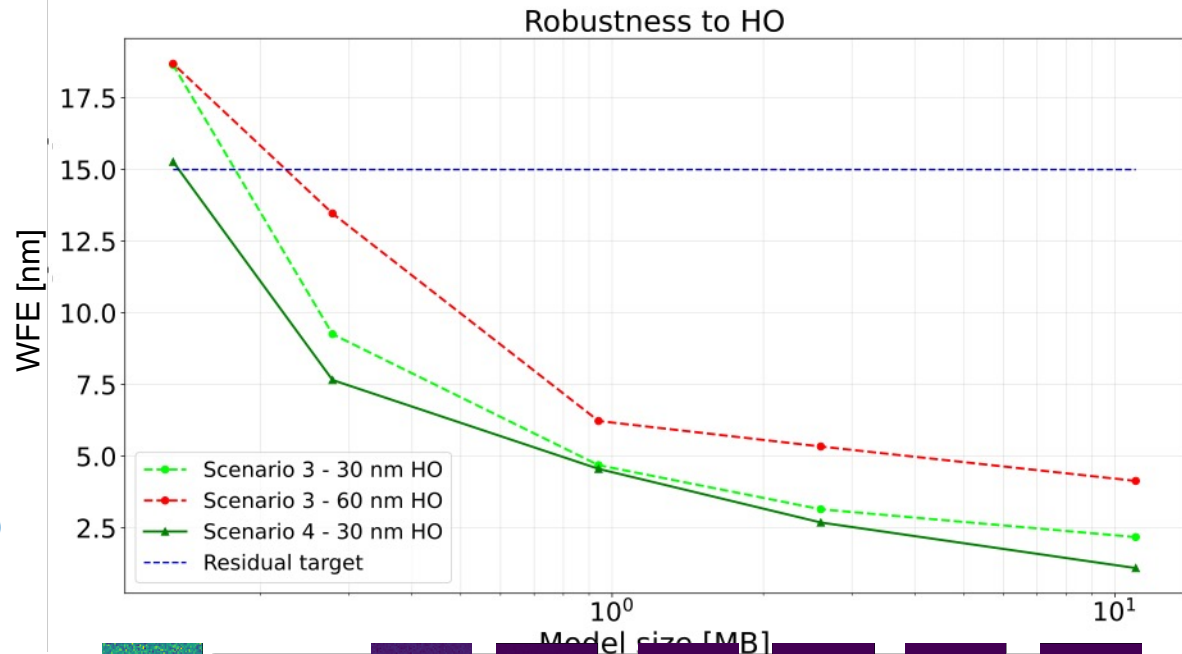


- Performance depends on the number of internal parameters
- Suitable performance for a model size > 0.2Mb

What about noise and high orders ?



- 2 scenarios :
 - Model error (Noise / HO unknown)
 - Noise / HO prior quantification (pre-calibrated)
- High orders are due to mirror polishing errors, thermal gradients, vibrations etc...



Comparison to SoTA methods

- Phase diversity

- Fit a PSF model \hat{h} to the current PSF
- Numerical optimization – Powell method

- $$\arg \min_{\{c_k^i\}} |PSF - h(\{\widehat{c_k^i}\})|^2 + \beta * \sum_{i,k} c_k^i{}^2$$

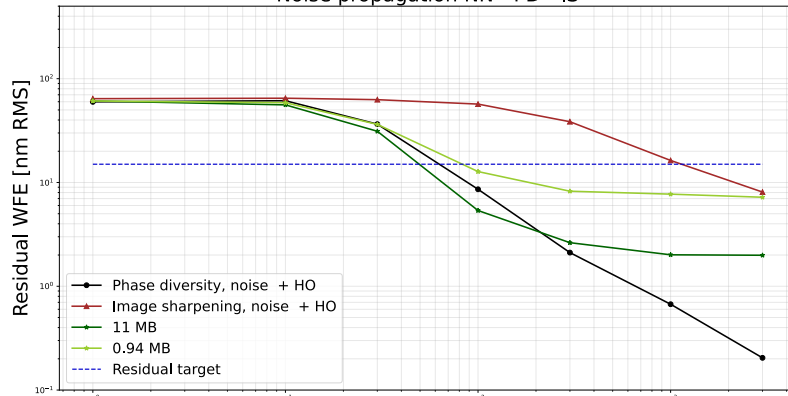
- Image sharpening

- Optimize image centered intensity
- Active iterative correction of the mirror position

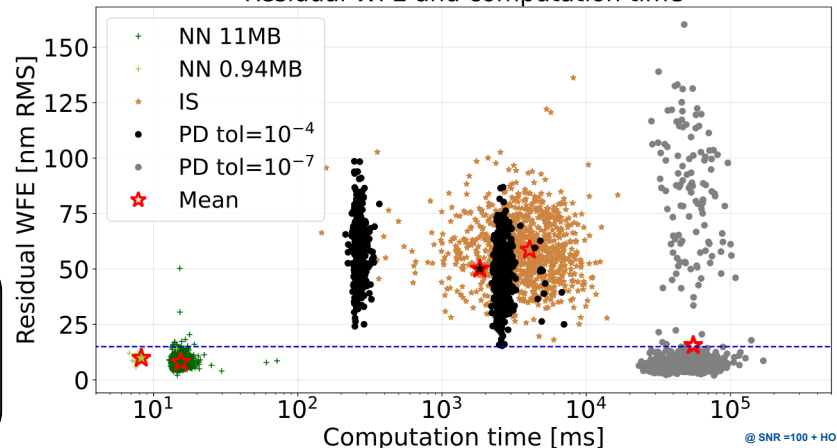
- $$\arg \max_{\{c_k^i\}} \sum_{x=xc-2W}^{xc+2W} \sum_{y=yc-2W}^{yc+2W} I(x,y)$$

- NN demonstrates a level at SoTA for performance, and better for computing time.
- At SNR = 100, NN methods shows a great performances both in computation time and performances.

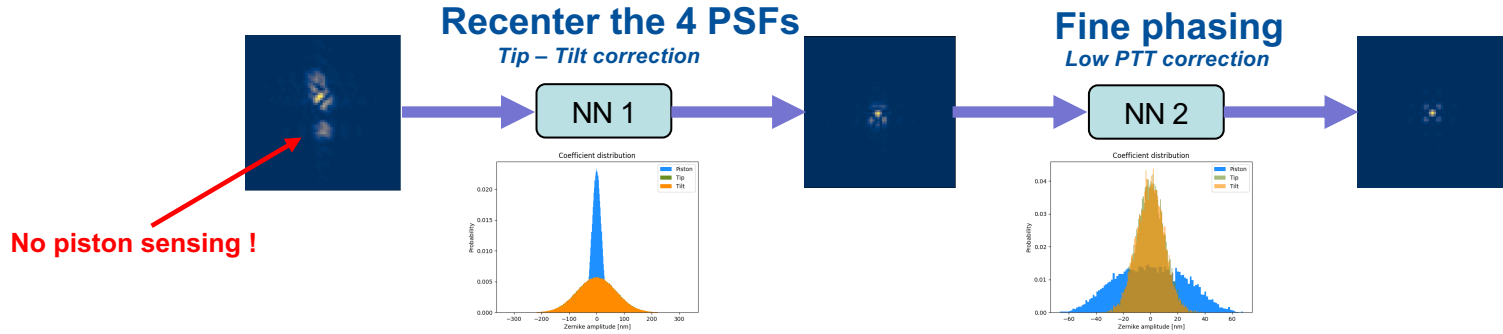
Noise propagation NN - PD - IS



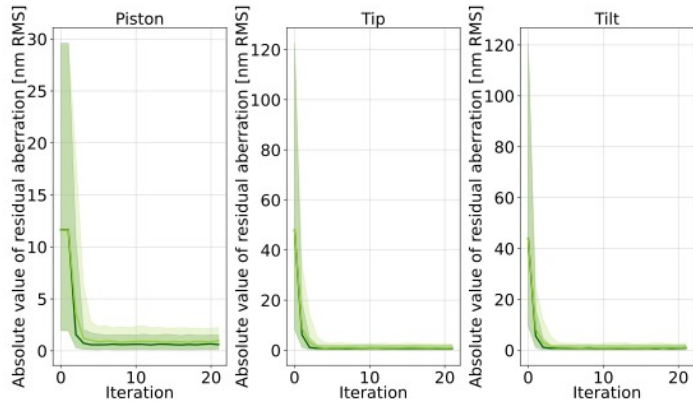
Residual WFE and computation time



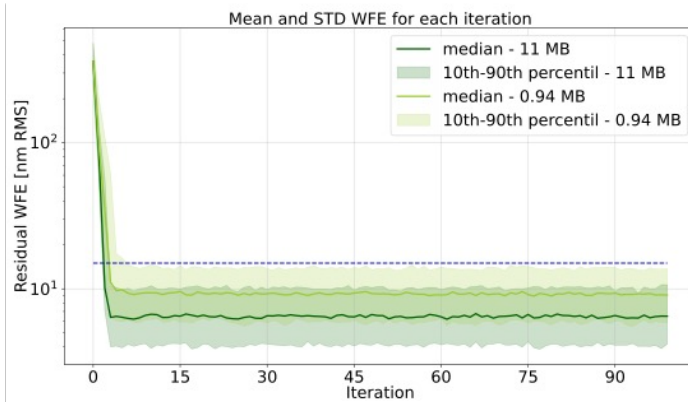
AZIMOV Coarse and fine phasing



Coefficient to coefficient residuals

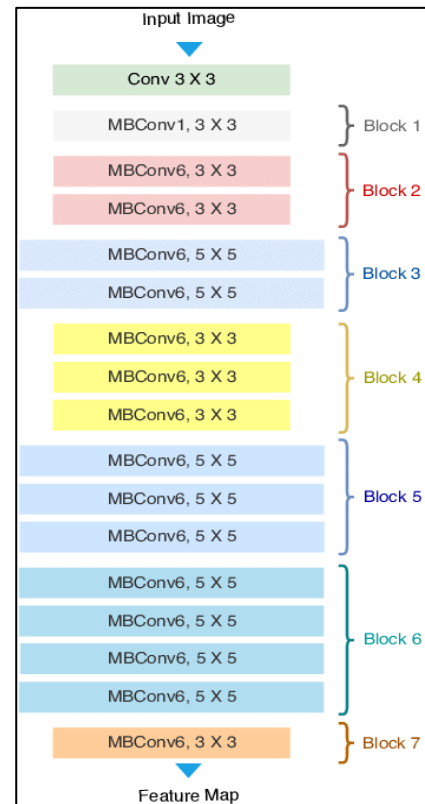
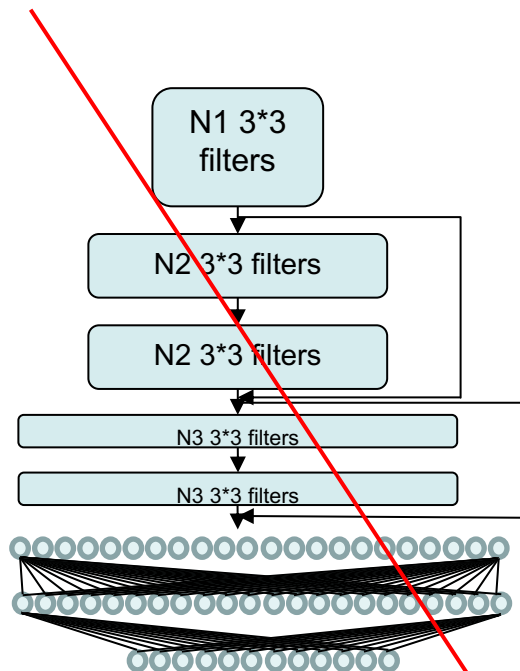
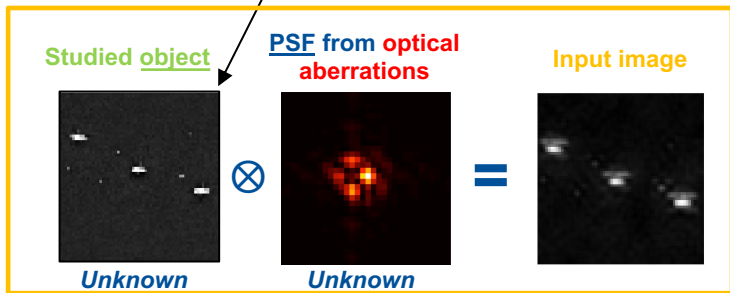


Full pupil validation



In a full phasing scenario, the 2 steps NN reaches diffraction limit requirement and remains stable at SNR = 100

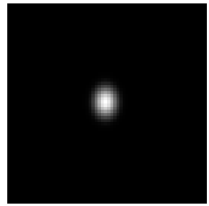
Outlook : Extended scenes – Earth Observation



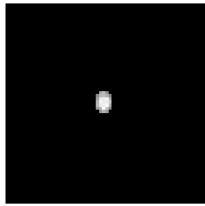
EfficientNet-B0⁴

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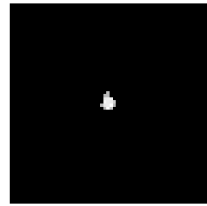
Data generation



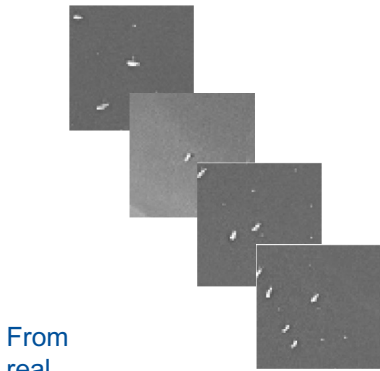
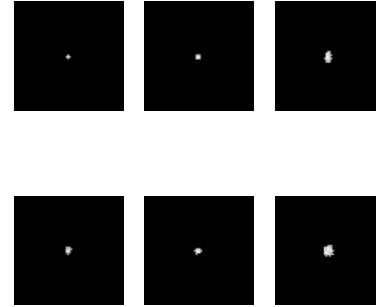
Parametrized gaussian



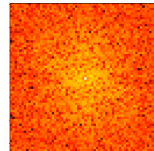
Poisson noise



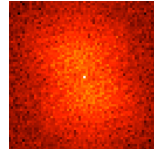
Threshold



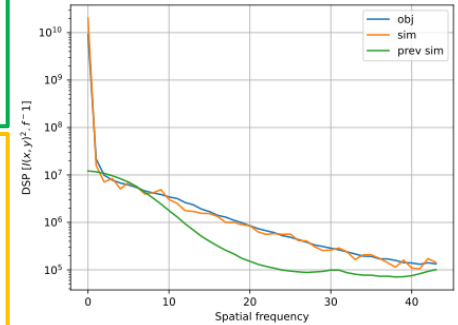
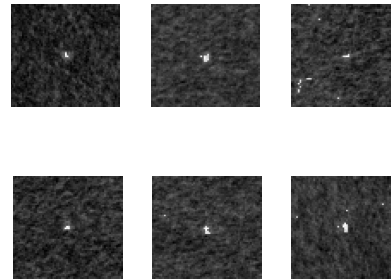
From real data



$\text{mean}(|\text{FFT}(im)|)$

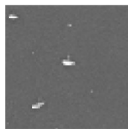


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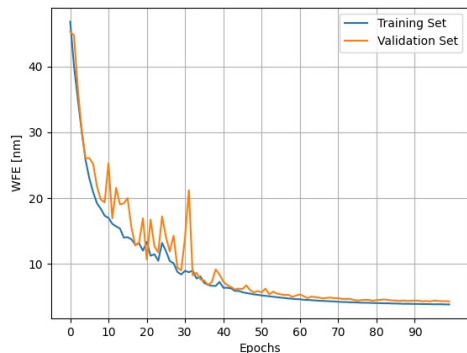


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Real data



5 Objects – 20k PSFs

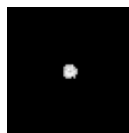


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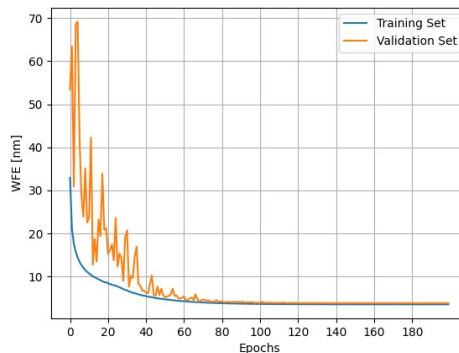
Generalize over other object

Generalize over real data

Simple simulation



100k Objects – 1 PSF

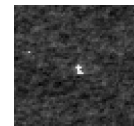


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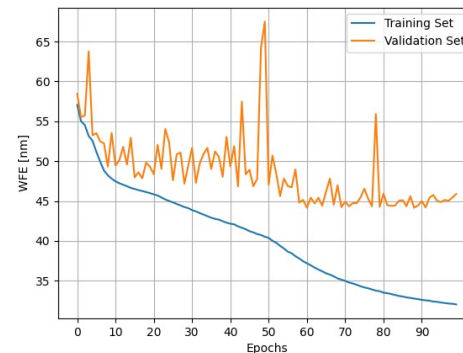
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Simulation from spectrum



100k Objects – 1 PSF



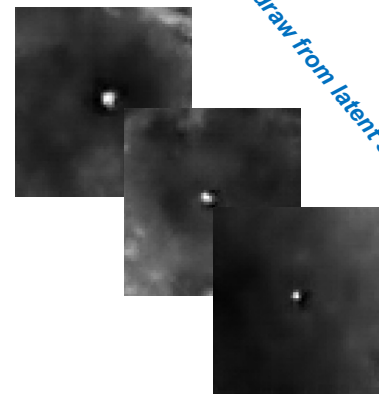
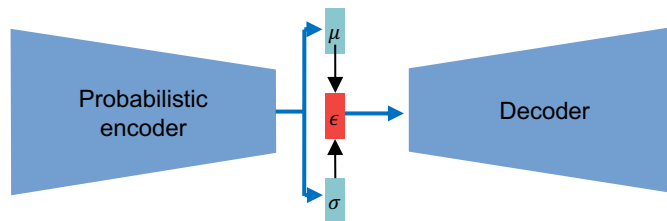
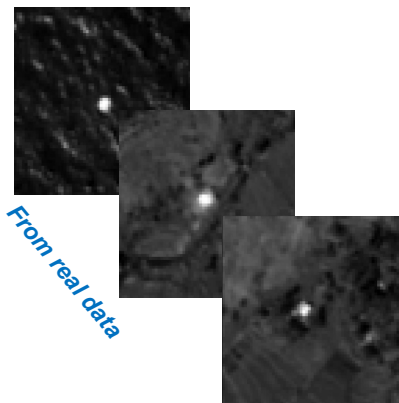
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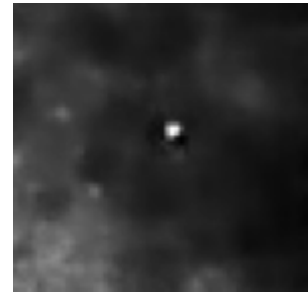
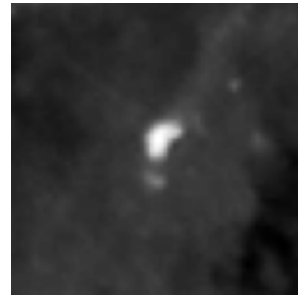
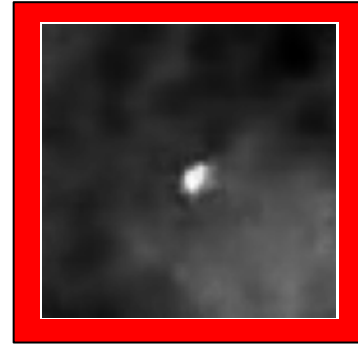
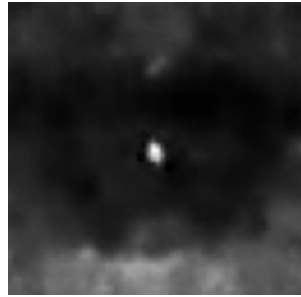
To go further

Realistic objet generation using VAE



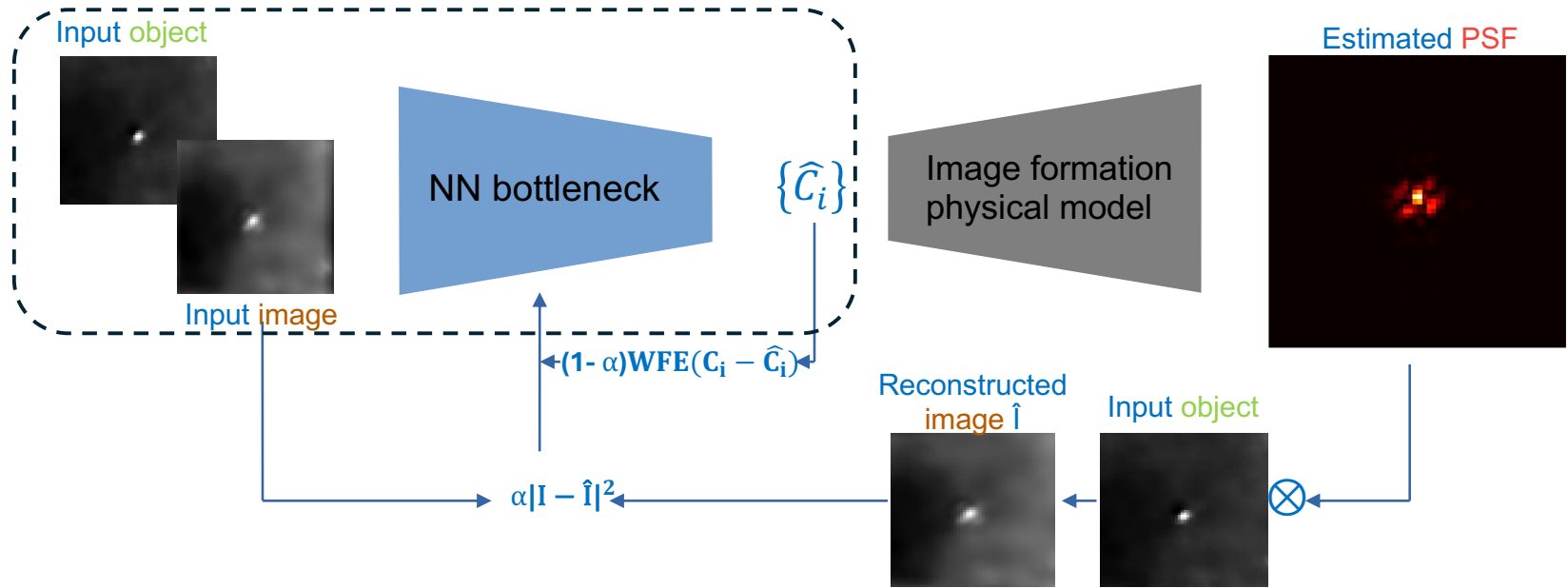
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enc3	Conv2d	(64, 64, (3, 3), (2, 2), (1, 1))
enc4	Conv2d	(64, 64, (3, 3), (1, 1), (1, 1))
linearenc	Linear	(16384, 16)
mu_layer	Linear	(16, 8)
log_var_layer	Linear	(16, 8)
lineardec	Linear	(8, 16384)
dec1	ConvTranspose2d	(64, 64, (3, 3), (1, 1), (1, 1))
dec2	ConvTranspose2d	(64, 64, (3, 3), (2, 2), (1, 1), (1, 1))
dec3	ConvTranspose2d	(64, 32, (3, 3), (2, 2), (1, 1), (1, 1))
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Who are the 2 impostors ?

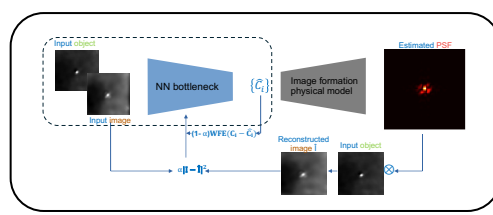


To go further

Learning strategy

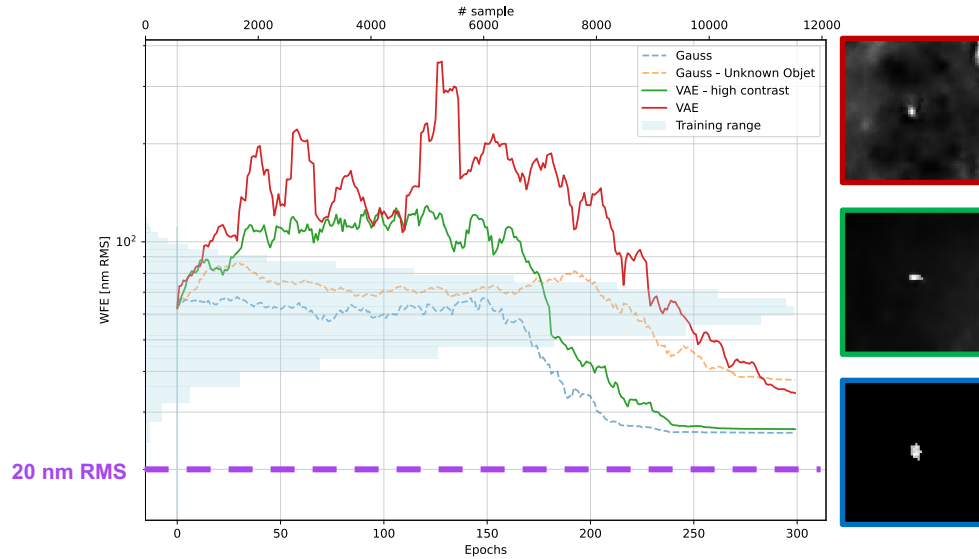


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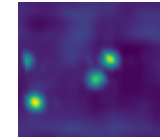
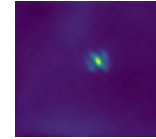


Reconstructed images
(from validation dataset)

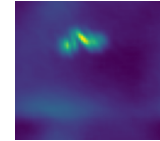
Validation losses



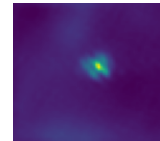
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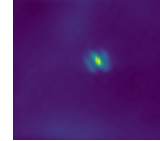
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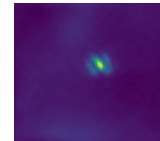
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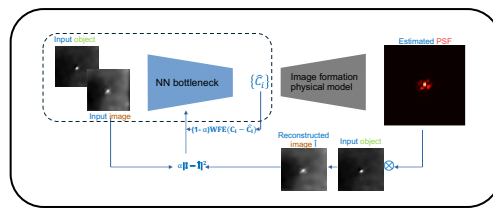
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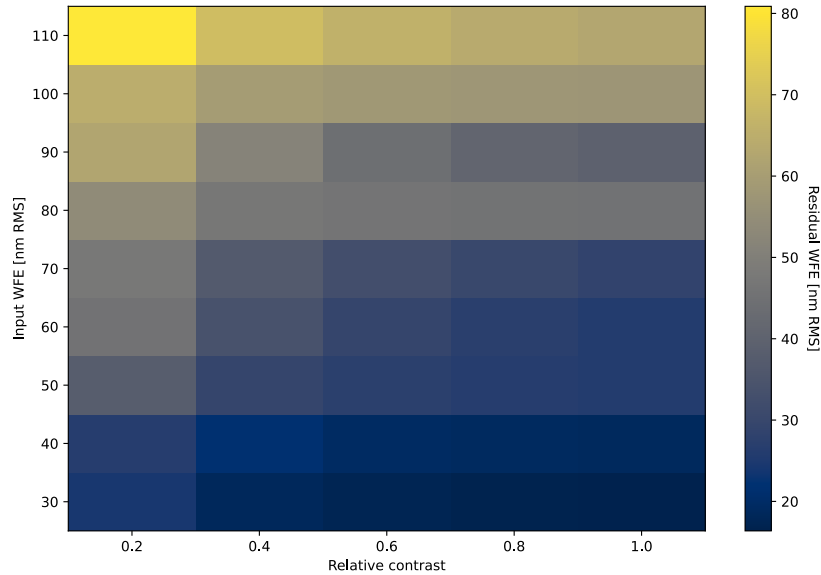
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Epochs

Results



Train with low contrast



Train with mid contrast

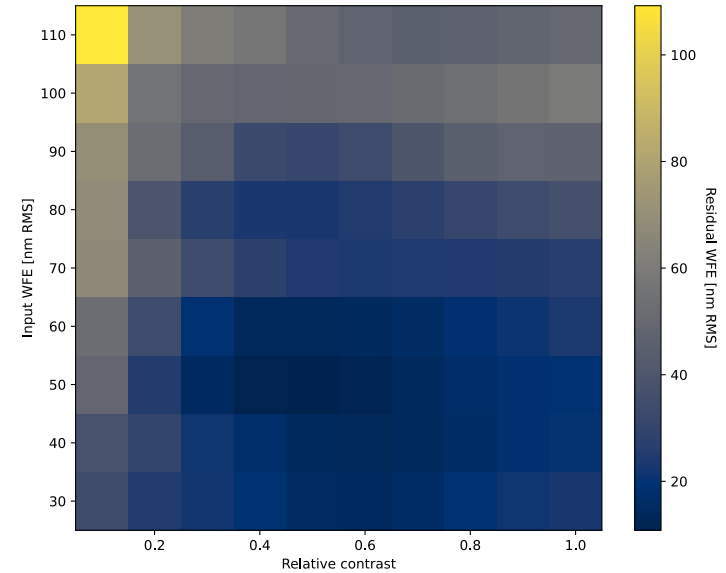
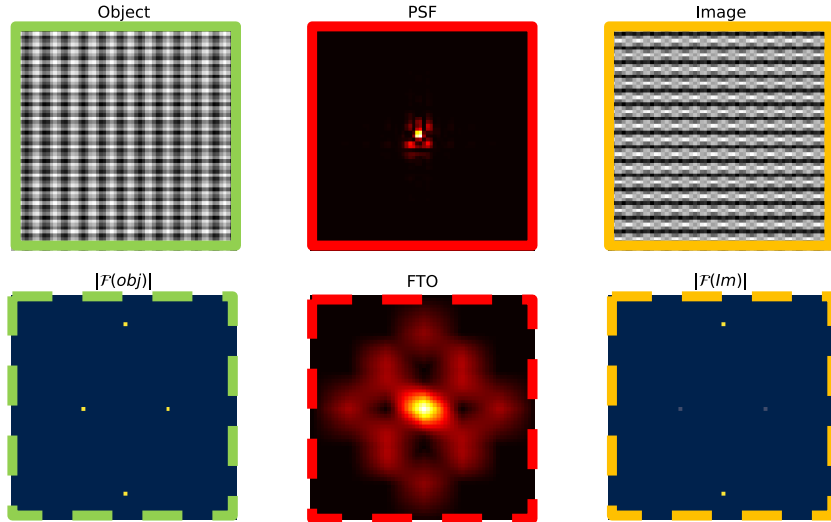


Image formation limit

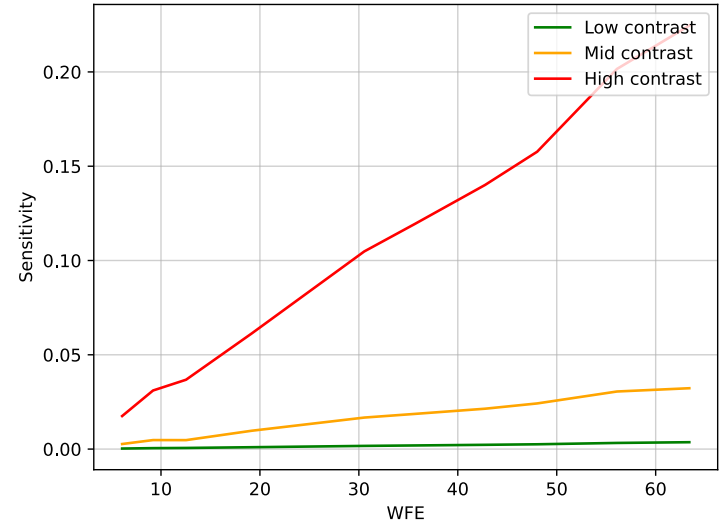
- First limit : Spectral content

$$Im = \mathcal{F}^{-1}(\mathcal{F}(obj) \times \mathcal{F}(PSF))$$



- Second limit : Sensitivity loss from contrast

$$Sensitivity = \sum_{\{i,j\}} \sigma_{i,j}(I_{ref} - I)$$



Conclusion & Outlook



NN reaches performance requirement for WFS on a point source.



Inference improved SoTA in terms of computing time.



Extended scene WF analysis requires high contrast images



Test on optical bench generated PSFs of AZIMOV (UK-ATC).



Work on extended scenes :

- Fight the contrast : pre-processing ?

Communications

Presentations :

- WFSWorkshop – 2022
- COSPAR – 2023

Posters :

- SPIE - 2022
- TAS - 2023
- AO4ELT – 2023

Publications :

- **Proceeding** ; Dumont, Maxime, et al. "Deep learning for space-borne focal-plane wavefront sensing." Space Telescopes and Instrumentation 2022: Optical, Infrared, and Millimeter Wave. Vol. 12180. SPIE, 2022.
- **Proceeding** ; Deep learning for low-order phasing of segmented telescopes, M. Dumont
- **Article** : "Phasing segmented telescopes via deep learning methods: application to a deployable CubeSat" – JOSA-A Published