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Contrast	CG-2	Coronagraph Optics and Architecture	Coronagraph optics and architecture that suppress diffracted starlight by a factor of $\leq 10^{-9}$ at visible and infrared wavelengths.	<p><math>6 \times 10^{-10}</math> raw contrast at 10% bandwidth across angles of 3-16 <math>\lambda/D</math> demonstrated with a linear mask and an <b>unobscured</b> pupil in a static vac lab env't (Hybrid Lyot)</p> <p><math>&lt; 8.8 \times 10^{-9}</math> raw contrast at 10% bandwidth across angles of 3-9 <math>\lambda/D</math> demonstrated with a circularly-symmetric mask and <b>obscured</b> pupil in a <b>static vacuum lab env't</b> (WFIRST)</p>	Coronagraph masks and optics capable of creating circularly symmetric dark regions in the focal plane enabling raw contrasts $\leq 10^{-9}$ , IWA $\leq 3 \lambda/D$ , throughput $\geq 10\%$ , and bandwidth $\geq 10\%$ on <b>obscured/segmented</b> pupils in a simulated <b>dynamic vacuum lab environment</b> .
Angular Resolution (plus sensitivity, integration time, and planet yield)	CG-1	Large Aperture Primary Mirrors	Large monolith and multi-segmented mirrors that meet tight surface figure error and thermal control requirements at visible wavelengths.	<p><u>Monolith:</u>  <b>3.5m</b> sintered SiC with <math>&lt; 3 \mu\text{m}</math> SFE (Herschel)  <b>2.4m</b> ULE with <math>\sim 10 \text{ nm}</math> SFE (HST)            Depth: Waterjet cutting is TRL 9 to 14", but TRL 3 to &gt;18". Fused core is TRL 3; slumped fused core is TRL 1.</p> <p><u>Segmented:</u>  <b>6.5m</b> Be with 25 nm SFE (JWST)</p> <p>Non-NASA: 6 dof, 1-m class SiC and ULE, <math>&lt; 20 \text{ nm}</math> SFE, and <math>&lt; 5 \text{ nm}</math> wavefront stability over 4 hr with thermal control</p>	<p><b>Aperture: 4m - 12m</b>; SFE <math>&lt; 10 \text{ nm}</math> rms (wavelength coverage 400 nm - 2500 nm)</p> <p>Wavefront stability better than 10 pm rms per wavefront control time step.</p> <p>Segmented apertures leverage 6 DOF or higher control authority meter-class segments for wavefront control.</p> <p>Environmentally tested.</p>
Detection Sensitivity	CG-8	Ultra-Low Noise, Large Format Visible Detectors	Low-noise visible detectors for faint exoplanet characterization with an Integral Field Spectrograph	<p>1kx1k silicon EMCCD detectors provide dark current of <math>8 \times 10^{-4} \text{ e-/px/sec}</math>; effective read noise <math>&lt; 0.2 \text{ e- rms}</math> (in EM mode) <u>after</u> irradiation when cooled to 165.15K (WFIRST).</p> <p>4kx4k EMCCD fabricated but still under development.</p>	<p>Effective read noise <math>&lt; 0.1 \text{ e- rms}</math>; CIC <math>&lt; 3 \times 10^{-3} \text{ e-/px/fram}</math>; dark current <math>&lt; 10^{-4} \text{ e-/px/sec}</math> tolerant to a space radiation environment over mission lifetime.</p> <p><math>\geq 2 \text{ kx}2 \text{ k}</math> format</p>
Detection Sensitivity	CG-9	Ultra-Low Noise, Large Format Near Infrared Detectors	Near infrared wavelength (900 nm to 2.5 $\mu\text{m}$ ), extremely low noise detectors for exo-earth spectral characterization with Integral Field Spectrographs.	<p>HgCdTe photodiode arrays have <b>read noise <math>&lt; \sim 2 \text{ e- rms}</math></b> with multiple non-destructive reads; dark current <math>&lt; 0.001 \text{ e-/s/pix}</math>; very radiation tolerant (JWST).</p> <p>HgCdTe APDs have <b>dark current <math>\sim 10\text{-}20 \text{ e-/s/pix}</math></b>, RN <math>\ll 1 \text{ e- rms}</math>, and <math>&lt; 1 \text{ kx}1 \text{ k}</math> format</p> <p>Cryogenic (superconducting) detectors have essentially no read noise nor dark current; radiation tolerance is unknown.</p>	<p><b>Read noise <math>\ll 1 \text{ e- rms}</math></b>, dark current <math>&lt; 0.001 \text{ e-/pix/s}</math>, in a <u>space radiation environment</u> over mission lifetime.</p> <p><math>\geq 2 \text{ kx}2 \text{ k}</math> format</p>
Contrast Stability	CG-6	Segment Phasing Sensing and Control	Multi-segment large aperture mirrors require phasing and rigid-body sensing and control of the segments to achieve tight static and dynamic wavefront errors.	<p><b>6 nm</b> rms rigid body positioning error and <b>49 nm</b> rms stability (JWST error budget)</p> <p>SIM and non-NASA: nm accuracy and stability using laser metrology</p>	Systems-level considerations to be evaluated but expect will require less than <b>10 pm</b> rms accuracy and stability.

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Contrast Stability	CG-7	Telescope Vibration Control	Isolation and damping of spacecraft and payload vibrational disturbances	<p>80 dB attenuation at frequencies &gt; 40 Hz (JWST passive isolation)</p> <p>Disturbance Free Payload demonstrated at TRL 5 with 70 dB attenuation at "high frequencies" with 6-DOF low-order active pointing.</p>	<p>Monolith: 120 dB end-to-end attenuation at frequencies &gt; 20 Hz.</p> <p>Segmented: 140 dB end-to-end attenuation at frequencies &gt; 40 Hz.</p> <p>End-to-end implies isolation between disturbance source and the telescope.</p>
Contrast	CG-3	Deformable Mirrors	Environment-tested, flight-qualified large format deformable mirrors	<p>Electrostrictive 64x64 DMs have been demonstrated to meet <math>\leq 10^{-9}</math> contrasts and <math>&lt; 10^{-10}</math> stability in a vacuum environment and 10% bandwidth; 48x48 DM passed random vibe testing.</p>	<p>4 m primary: <math>\geq 96 \times 96</math> actuators</p> <p>10 m primary: <math>\geq 128 \times 128</math> actuators</p> <p>Enable raw contrasts of <math>\leq 10^{-9}</math> at ~20% bandwidth and IWA <math>\leq 3 \lambda/D</math></p> <p>Flight-qualified device and drive electronics (radiation hardened, environmentally tested, life-cycled including connectors and cables)</p> <p>Large segment DM needs possible for segmented telescopes.</p>
Contrast Stability	CG-5	Low-Order Wavefront Sensing and Control	Sensing and control of line of sight jitter and low-order wavefront drift	<p><math>&lt; 0.5</math> mas rms per axis LOS residual error demonstrated in lab with a fast-steering mirror attenuating a 14 mas LOS jitter and reaction wheel inputs; <math>\sim 100</math> pm rms sensitivity of focus (WFIRST).</p> <p>Higher low-order modes sensed to 10-100 nm WFE rms on ground-based telescopes.</p>	<p>Sufficient fast line of sight jitter (<math>&lt; 0.5</math> mas rms residual) and slow thermally-induced (<math>\leq 10</math> pm rms sensitivity) WFE sensing and control to maintain closed-loop <math>&lt; 10^{-9}</math> raw contrast with an obscured/segmented pupil and simulated dynamic environment.</p>
Contrast	CG-4	Post-Data Processing	Post-data processing techniques to uncover faint exoplanet signals from residual speckle noise at the focal-plane detector.	<p>Few 100x speckle suppression has been achieved by HST and by ground-based AO telescopes in the NIR and in contrast regimes of <math>10^{-4}</math> to <math>10^{-5}</math>, dominated by phase errors.</p>	<p>A 10-fold contrast improvement in the visible from <math>10^{-9}</math> raw contrast where amplitude errors are expected to be important (or a demonstration of the fundamental limits of post-processing)</p>