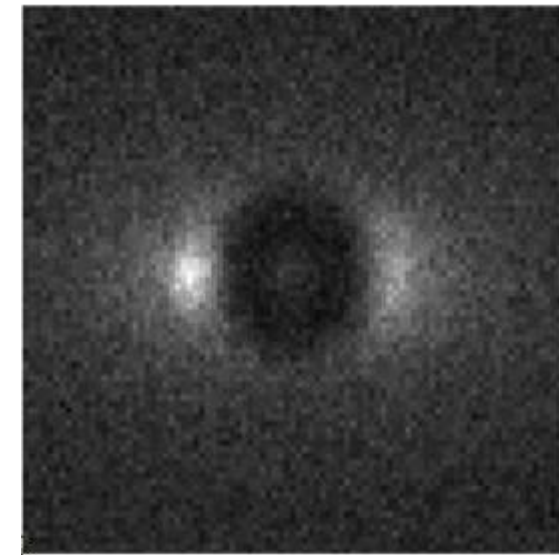


Exoplanet Direct Imaging SAGs

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Nearby Earth in 1 zodi
disk near 2 λ D
(Guyon et al. 2009)

Overview

- SAG 5 is devoted to requirements for a flagship-class direct imaging mission
- A new focus on smaller missions is warranted
 - Diminished expectations for technology and mission funding
 - Exploring a new 2.4m opportunity (AFTA)
- We are planning to form a new SAG to do the same for “moderate” direct imaging mission concepts
 - Probe class (\$1B) and 2.4 m options will be prominent
- The proposed SAG 9 for moderate direct imaging will draw heavily from the work done in SAG 5
- Participation in SAG 9 again will be by self-nomination (volunteering)

SAG 5 Membership

- Tom Greene and I are co-chairs. Marie Levine (JPL) is Facilitator.
- ~ 60 scientists, technologists, engineers
- Communicating via http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/exopag_flagship/

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Task Description

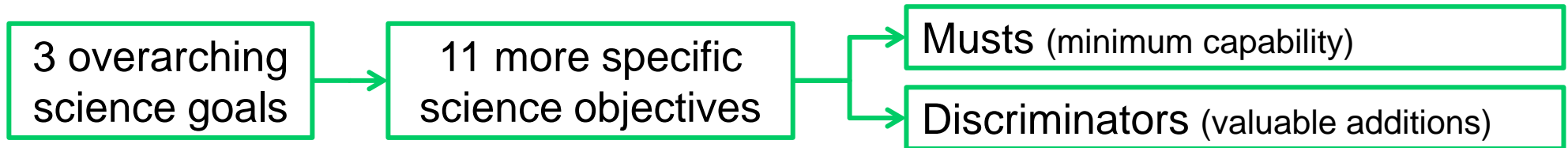
- Coronagraph and Occulter SAGs were combined into SAG 5 after ExoPAG 3 (Jan 2011)
- Develop strawman science requirements for direct imaging
 - Groundwork for Astro2010 mid-decade technology downselect
 - Structured to support making comparisons and decisions
- 1. Start on a “flagship” direct imaging mission in 2020+
Flagship \equiv very likely to find & characterize at least one Earth-like planet in the habitable zone of its star
- 2. Then consider smaller mission(s) along that path
- Meetings with COPAG \rightarrow initiated effort to define a shared space telescope for exoplanets and UV-opt astrophysics
 - COPAG’s flagship definition is consistent with ours

SAG 5 Progress 2011-12

- Established a framework of Science Goals, Objectives, and Musts & Discriminators
 - See description on next page
 - Discussed via email, telecons, and at ExoPAG meetings
- Flagship class mission, COPAG partnership
 - Emphasized terrestrial planets
 - Super-earths, giant planets, and debris disks are included in key Discriminators (ranking criteria)
- We have essentially finished this work with some caveats:
 - We will not assign scoring at this time
 - Several requirement values are TBR, pending better knowledge
 - Prevalence of Earth-like exoplanets (η_{\oplus}) from Kepler
 - Exozodi statistics (brightness and profile) from LBTI or elsewhere
- On track for delivering a report at ExoPAG 7 (Jan 2013)
- Move on to smaller missions (proposed SAG 9)

Unusual Framework for Requirements

- We have articulated



- **Musts** correspond to traditional minimum science requirements, but can include technical or programmatic constraints
- **Discriminators** are criteria for scoring/ranking — a new way to handle Baseline and Goal/Stretch requirements
 - Phrased to be independent of mission architecture
- Allows fair comparison of different mission concepts with very different strengths and weaknesses
- Worked with SAG 4 (exoplanet characterization) and SAG 1 (exozodi requirements) in developing these lists
- COPAG has agreed to formulate their requirements in this framework
 - ➔ Selection of one mission concept based on the union of both sets of criteria

Science Goals (Top Level)

- Goal 1: **Determine the overall architectures** of a sample of nearby planetary systems. This includes determining the numbers, brightnesses, locations, and orbits of terrestrial to giant planets and characterizing exozodiacal dust structures in regions from habitable zones to ice lines and beyond. This information will also provide clues to the formation and evolution of these planetary systems.
- Goal 2: **Determine or constrain the atmospheric compositions** of discovered planets, from giants down to terrestrial planets. Assess habitability of some terrestrial planets, including searching for spectral signatures of molecules and chemical disequilibrium consistent with the presence of life. Determining or constraining surface compositions of terrestrial planets is desirable but is not strictly required.
- Goal 3: Determining or constraining **planetary radii and masses are stretch goals** of this mission. These are not strictly required. However, measuring radii and masses would provide a better understanding of detected planets, significantly increasing the scientific impact of this mission.

Vector from SAG 5 to proposed SAG 9

- How would we modify those goals for a smaller mission?
- Let's look at some examples...

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Several of these goals are likely too difficult for small missions, but there's no need to constrain ambition at the beginning

Science Objectives (condensed)

1. Detect terrestrial planets
2. Measure orbital parameters
3. Obtain multi-band photometry
4. Confirm planets and distinguish among them (motions & colors)
5. Determine or constrain planet masses if possible
6. Spectroscopic characterization of terrestrial planets
7. Detect giant planets
8. Spectroscopic characterization of giant planets
9. Measure location and extent of dust disks
10. Detect and measure substructures in dusty disks to infer planets
11. Understand the evolution of circumstellar disks: pre-planetary to debris

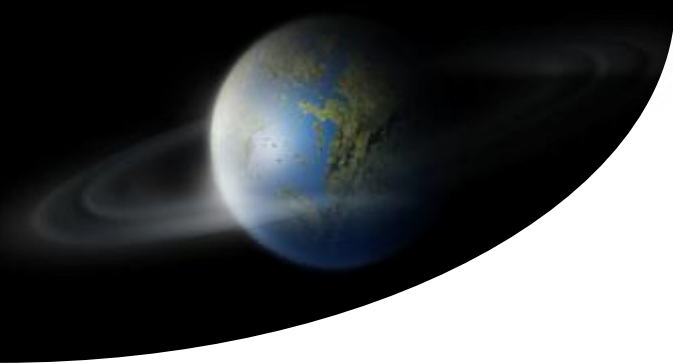
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7. ~~Detect giant planets~~ Redundant
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Musts and Discriminators

- SAG 5's are too detailed to cover here
- Summarized vaguely in [backup slides](#)
- Described in detail in draft report (available on request)
- **Musts and Discriminators are where we'll make the most extensive changes between SAG 5 and SAG 9**



We welcome your comments

Please join us

Science Objectives (full text, 1/4)

1. Directly detect terrestrial planets that exist within the habitable zones around nearby stars or, alternatively, observe a large enough sample of nearby systems to show with high confidence that terrestrial planets are not present.
2. Measure or constrain orbital parameters (semi-major axis and eccentricity) for as many discovered planets as possible, especially those that show evidence of habitability.
3. Obtain absolute photometry in at least three broad spectral bands for the majority of detected planets. This information can eventually be used, in conjunction with orbital distance and planet radius, to constrain planetary albedos.

Science Objectives (full text, 2/4)

4. Distinguish among different types of planets, and between planets and other objects, through relative motion and broadband measurements of planet color.
5. Determining or constraining planetary masses is highly desired but not required. Determining masses would allow estimates of planetary radii to be made, thereby enabling calculation of planetary albedos (Objective 3).
6. Characterize at least some detected terrestrial planets spectroscopically, searching for absorption caused by O_2 , O_3 , H_2O , and possibly CO_2 and CH_4 . Distinguish between Jupiter-like and H_2O -dominated atmospheres of any super-Earth planets. Such information may provide evidence of habitability and even of life itself. Search for Rayleigh scattering to constrain surface pressure.

Science Objectives (full text, 3/4)

7. Directly detect giant planets of Neptune's size or larger and having Jupiter's albedo in systems searched for terrestrial planets. Giants should be detectable within the habitable zone and out to a radius of at least 3 times the outer habitable zone radius .
8. Characterize some detected giant planets spectroscopically, searching for the absorption features of CH_4 and H_2O . Distinguish between ice and gas giants, as well as between Jupiter-like and H_2O -dominated atmospheres of any mini-Neptune planets.
9. Measure the location, density, and extent of dust particles around nearby stars in order to identify planetesimal belts and understand delivery of volatiles to inner solar systems.

Science Objectives (full text, 4/4)

10. In dusty systems, detect and measure substructures within dusty debris that can be used to infer the presence of unseen planets.
11. Understand the time evolution of circumstellar disk properties around a wider star sample at greater distances, from early protoplanetary stages through mature main sequence debris disks.

- The Science Goals and Objectives are related as follows

Science Goals	Science Objectives										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1. Architectures	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓
2. Compositions			✓	✓	(✓)	✓		✓			
3. Masses & radii			✓	✓	✓					✓	

Musts mapped to Objectives

Musts	Science Objectives											
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
M1: detect Earth twin	✓											
M2: detect Jupiter twin							✓					
M3: 14 CumHZs	✓						✓					
M4: 3 CumIHZs	✓						✓					
M5: colors			✓	✓				✓				
M6: fine spectra						✓		✓				
M7: orbital SMA	✓	✓		✓								
M8: oxygen						✓						
M9: water						✓		✓				
M10: all on 1 planet	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓						
M11: absol photometry			✓									
M12: guide on faint star									✓	✓	✓	
M13: surface brightness									✓	✓	✓	

Discriminators mapped to Objectives

Discriminators	Science Objectives										
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
D1: # CumHZs	✓						✓				
D2: # CumIHZs	✓						✓				
D3: max δ -mag	✓						✓				
D4: # confirmed	✓						✓				
D5: # planets, 4 color			✓	✓				✓			
D6: # planets, full spectra						✓		✓			
D7: # planets, part spectra						✓		✓			
D8: NIR and NUV						✓		✓			
D9: common PM	✓						✓				
D10: # orbit SMA	✓	✓		✓							
D11: # astrometric mass				✓	✓						
D12: # absol photometry			✓	✓							
D13: # giants w/ TXPs							✓	✓			✓
D14: # KuiperB w/ TXPs									✓	✓	✓