

Exoplanet Detection with the LUVOIR Coronagraph Instrument

Performance evaluation and aberration
sensitivity requirements

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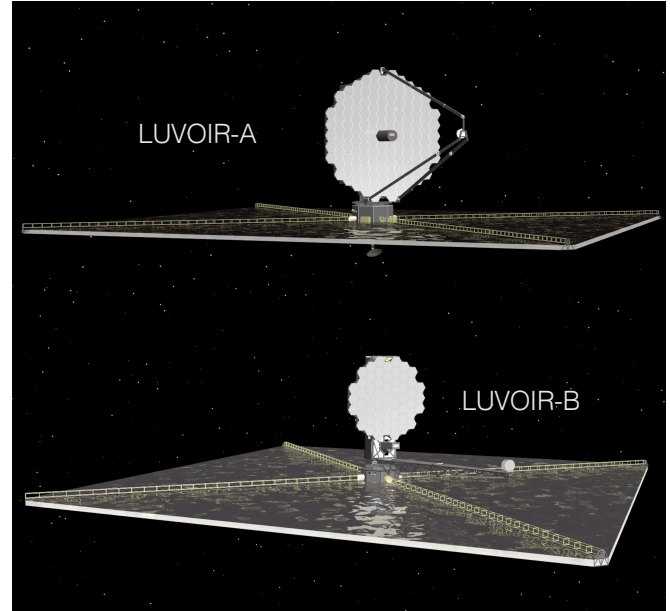
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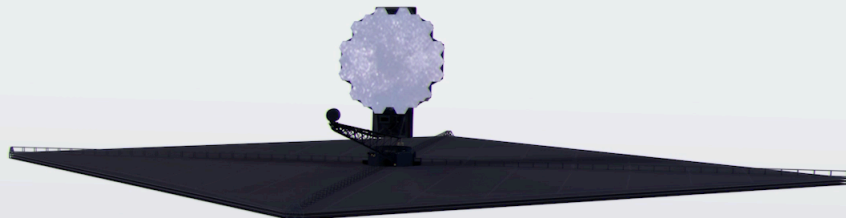
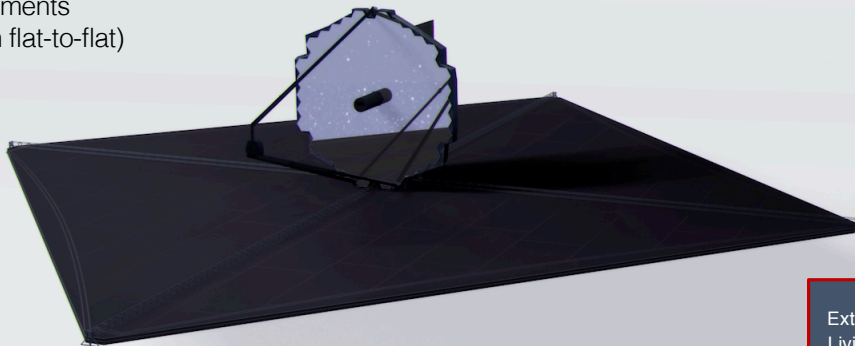


LUV O I R. The Large UV-Optical-Infrared Surveyor

Architectures

LUV O I R A

On-axis telescope
15 m aperture
120 segments
(1.223m flat-to-flat)



LUV O I R B

Off-axis telescope
8 m aperture
55 segments
(0.955m flat-to-flat)

ECLIPS

Extreme Coronagraph for
Living Planetary Systems

HDI

High Definition Imager

LUMOS

LUV O I R Ultraviolet Multi
Object Spectrograph

POLLUX

UV spectro-polarimeter
(LUV O I R A only)

More information at:
<https://asd.gsfc.nasa.gov/luvoir/>

LUVOIR ECLIPS

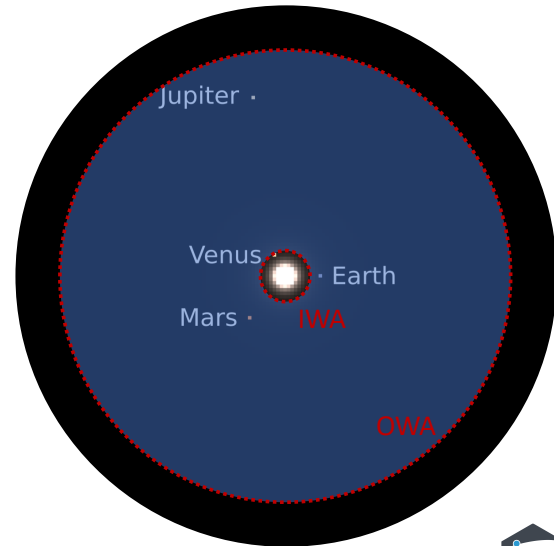
Extreme Coronagraph for Living Planetary Systems

- Wavelength range: 200nm to 2.0 μ m (3 channels)
- Simultaneous operation in all channels via **dichroics**
- **2 Deformable Mirrors (DM)** per channel, to correct remaining phase and amplitude errors to null speckles in the focal plane and achieve desired contrast.

Goal: raw contrast 10^{-10}

Dark zone (IWA to OWA) ~ 3 to $64 \lambda/D$

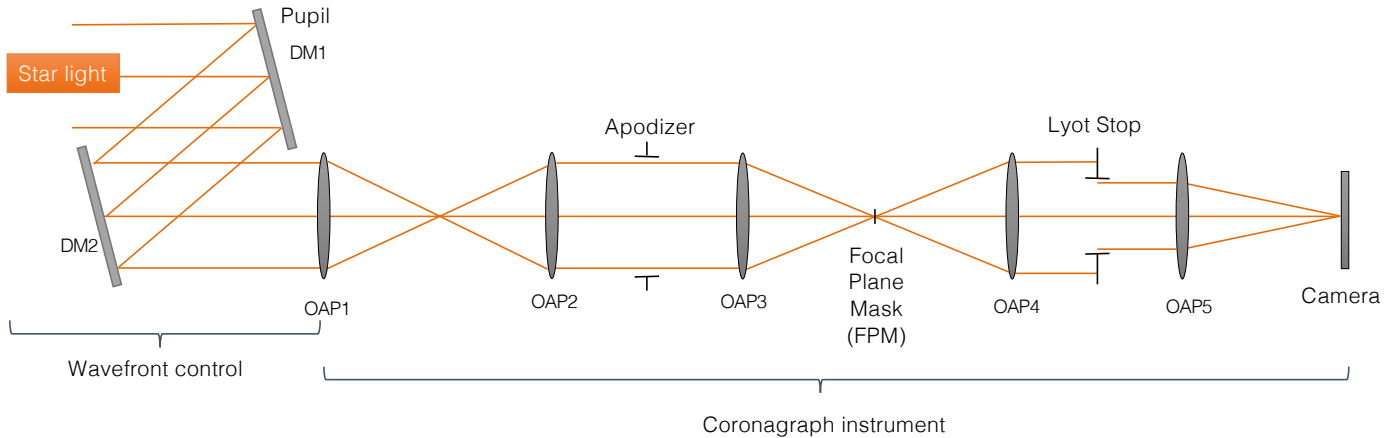
Instantaneous Bandpass 10-20%



ECLIPS model developed with John Krist's PROPER Optical Propagation Library (Python)
Based on the LUVOIR ZEMAX model – visible channel
All simulations are broadband (10%)

LUVOIR

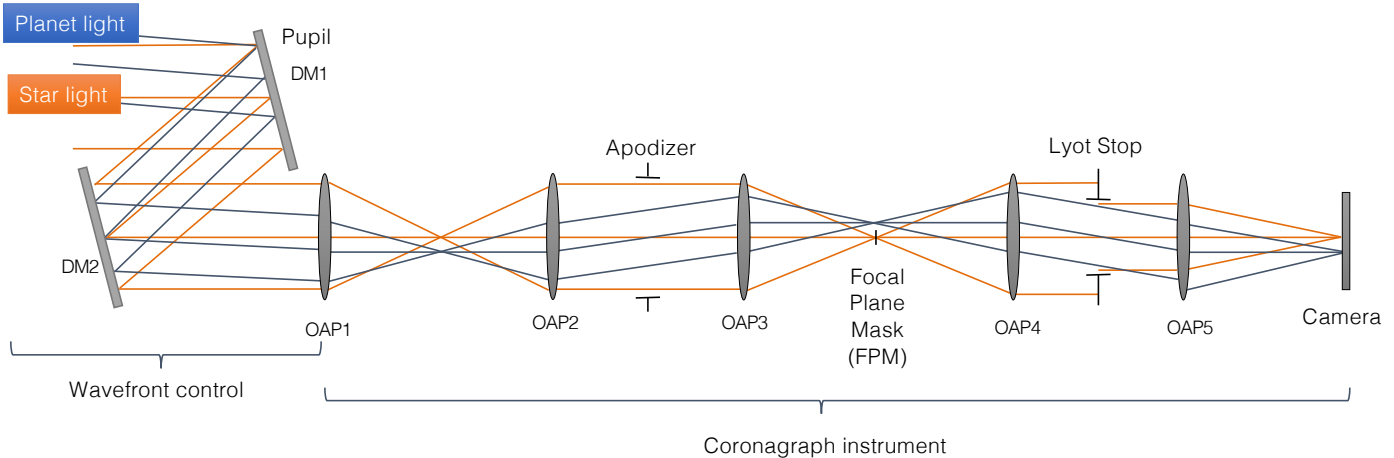
Coronagraph designs for ECLIPS



The optical layouts for **ECLIPS-A** and **ECLIPS-B** are **identical**

LUVOIR

Coronagraph designs for ECLIPS

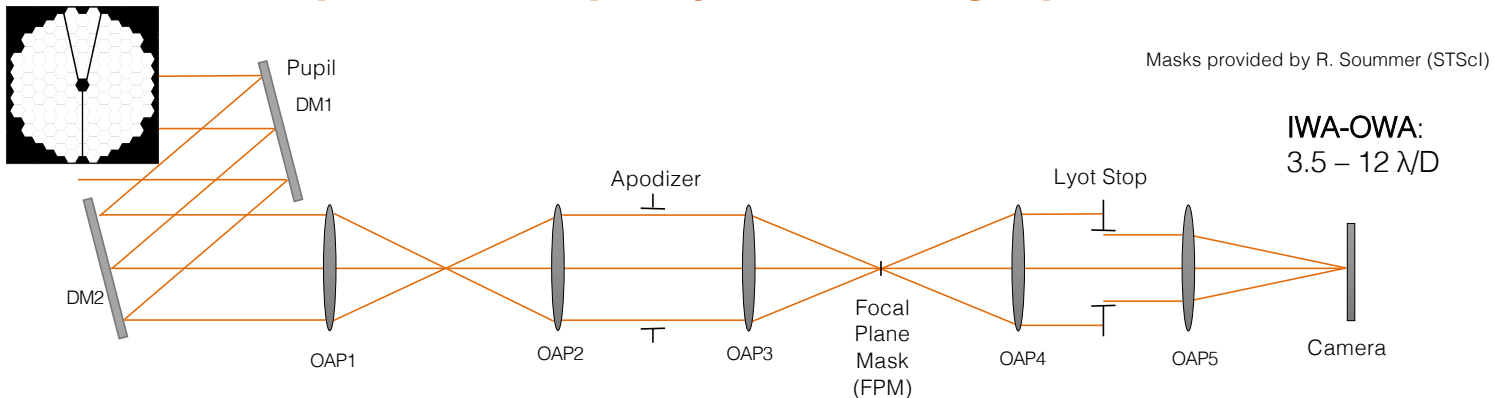


Coronagraph primary design for **ECLIPS-A**: APLC

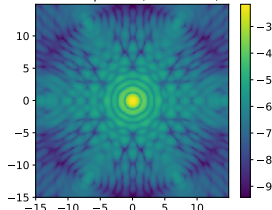
Coronagraph primary design for **ECLIPS-B**: WC

Coronagraph design for ECLIPS-A

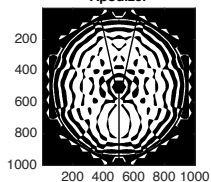
APLC - Apodized Pupil Lyot Coronagraph



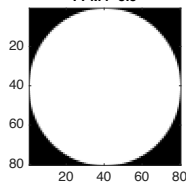
Telescope PSF (broadband)



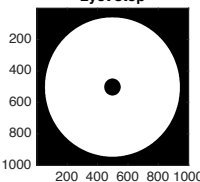
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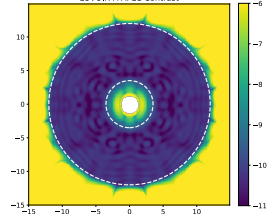
FPM r=3.5



Lyot stop

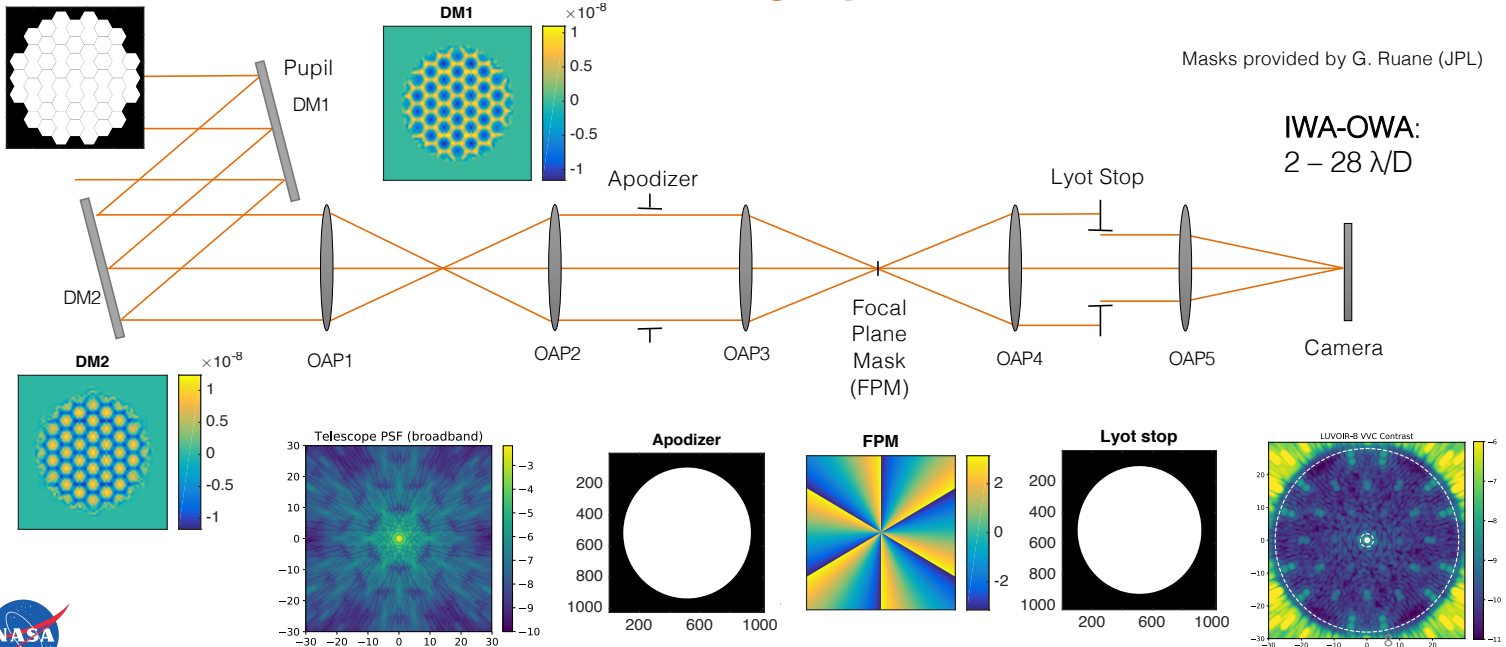


LUVOR-A APPLC Contrast



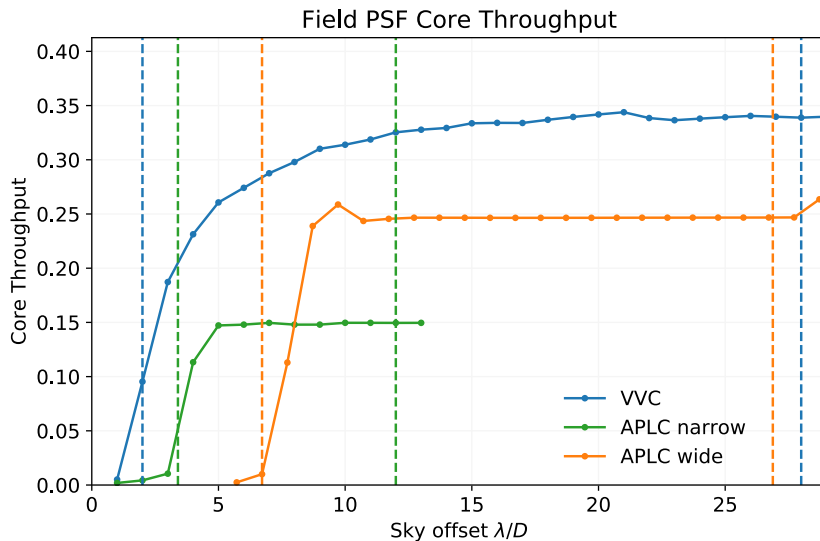
Coronagraph design for ECLIPS-B

VVC - Vector Vortex Coronagraph

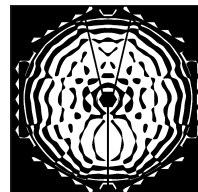


Evaluation of coronagraph designs

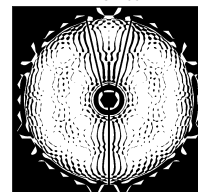
Throughput



APLC narrow



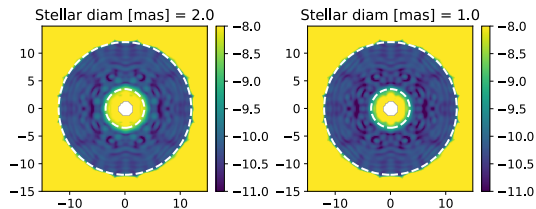
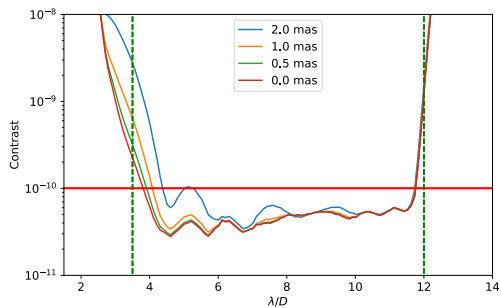
APLC wide



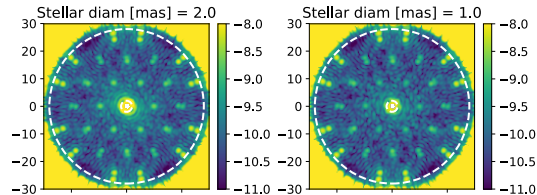
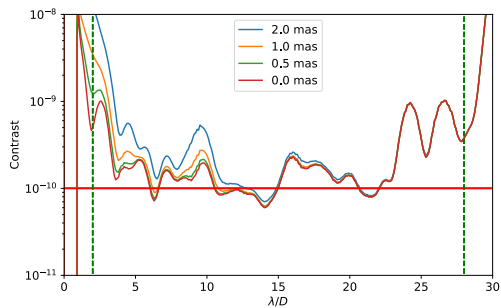
Evaluation of coronagraph designs

Sensitivity to stellar diameter

LUVOIR-A APLC



LUVOIR-B VVC



Coronagraph sensitivity to telescope aberrations

Wavefront sensing and control

- Both **APLC** and **VVC** designs are sensitive to global aberrations and segment phasing errors
- We can increase the tolerance to telescope aberrations with **wavefront sensing and control (WS&C)**

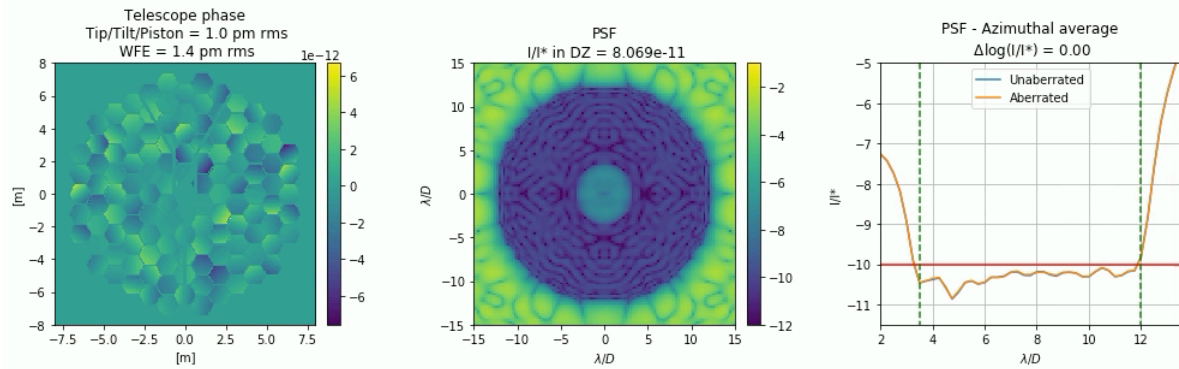
	(Quasi) Static aberrations	Dynamic aberrations
Segment	PW+EFC	Payload metrology (edge sensors) ← Segment jitter Segment drift
Global	Phase retrieval	LOWFS ↑ LoS pointing error

PW+EFC: Pair-wise electric field estimation + Electric Field Conjugation

LOWFS: Low Order Wavefront Sensing

Coronagraph sensitivity to telescope aberrations

Segment phasing errors

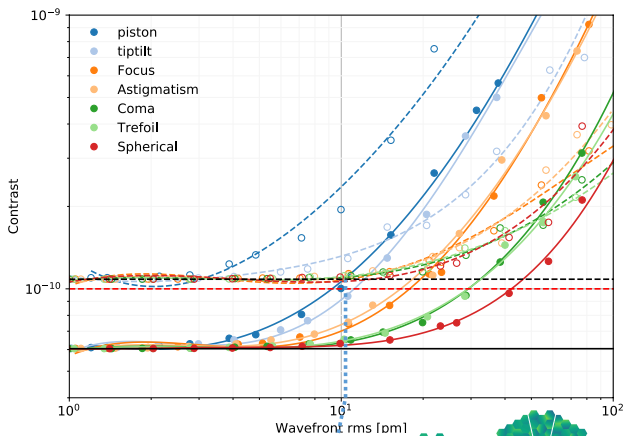


Piston and tip/tilt induced phase errors added to each segment independently (random normal distribution).

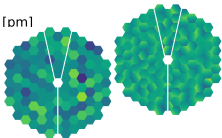
Coronagraph sensitivity to static aberrations

Segment phasing errors

LUVOIR-A APLC

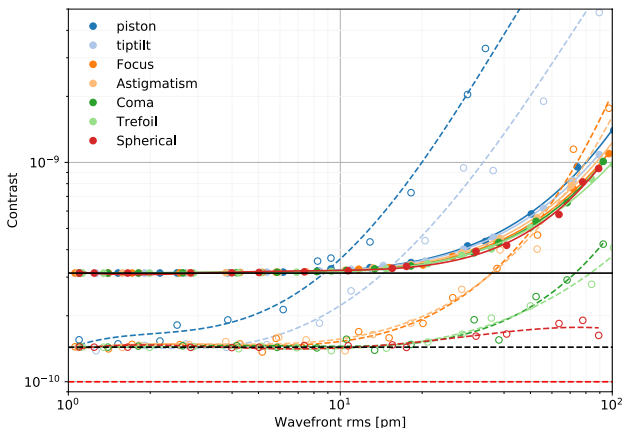


Piston: 9.24 pm
Tip/tilt: 11.16 pm



LUVOIR-B VVC

Most sensitive to
Piston and Tip/Tilt

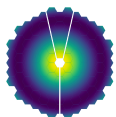
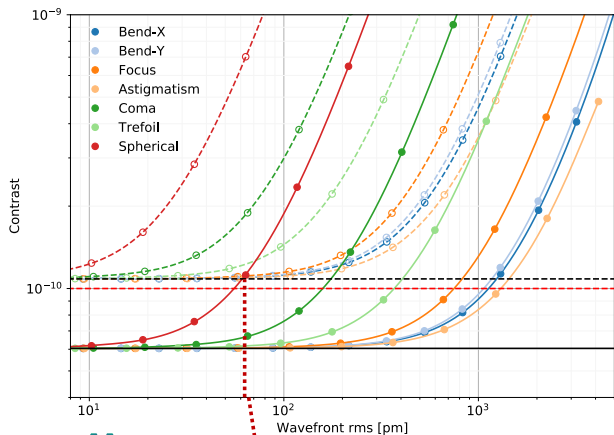


Solid line - average contrast in the DZ
Dashed line - average contrast at $4 \pm 0.5 \lambda/D$

Coronagraph sensitivity to static aberrations

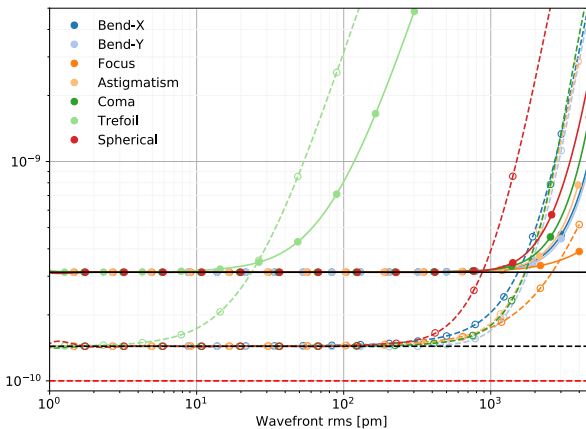
Global aberrations

LUVOIR-A APLC



Spherical: 55.53 pm

LUVOIR-B VVC

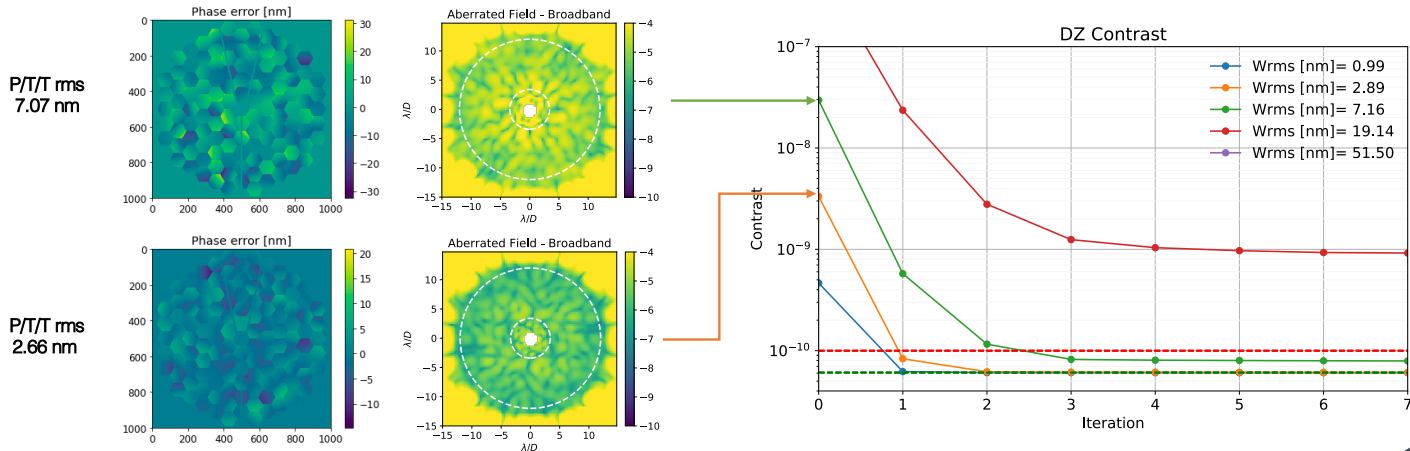


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Coronagraph sensitivity to static aberrations

LUVOIR-A APLC + WS&C

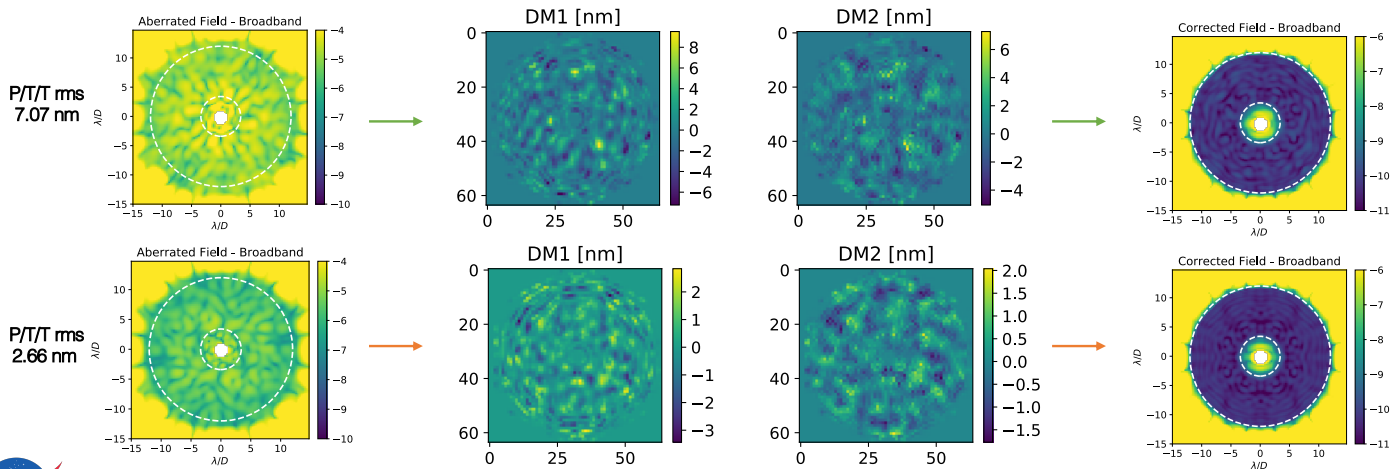
Broadband EFC (10%) with 2 deformable mirrors (DM) (64 x 64 actuators per DM)



Coronagraph sensitivity to static aberrations

LUVOIR-A APLC + WS&C

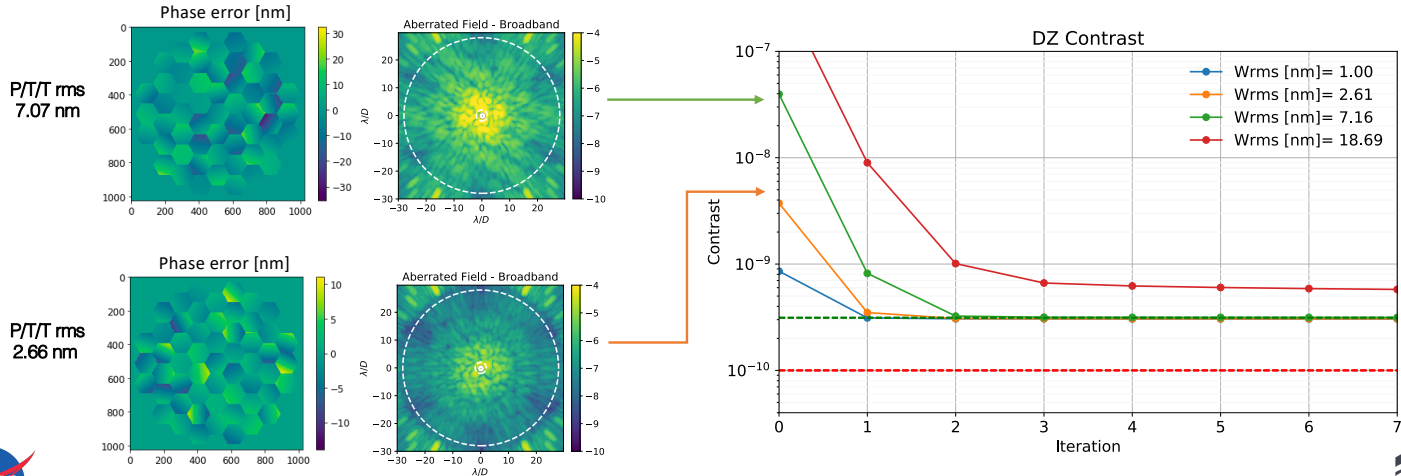
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LUVOIR-B VVC + WS&C

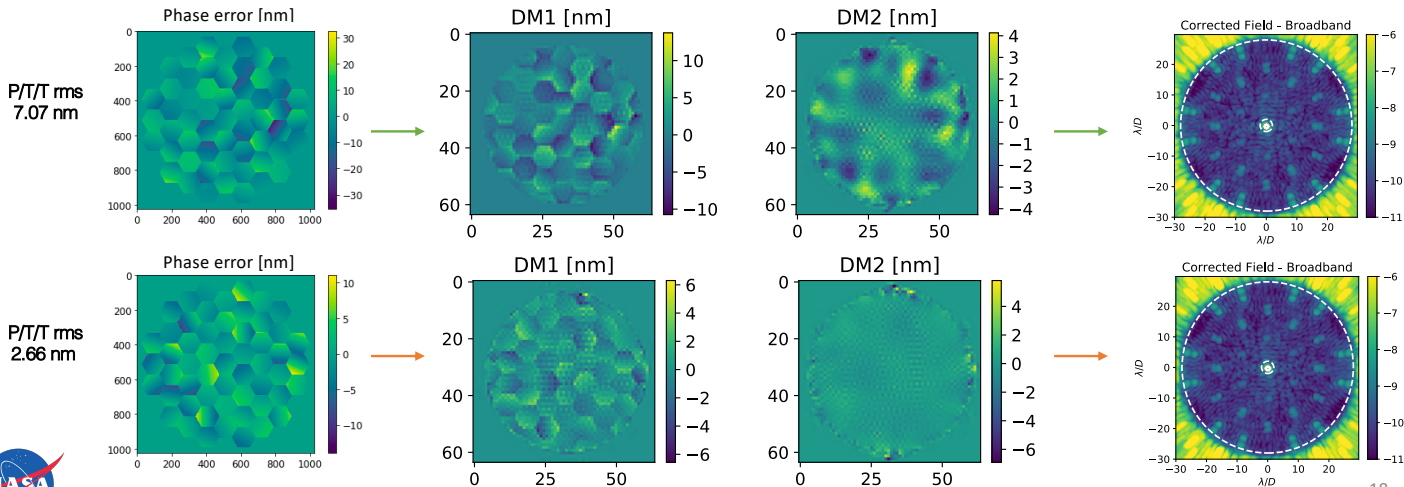
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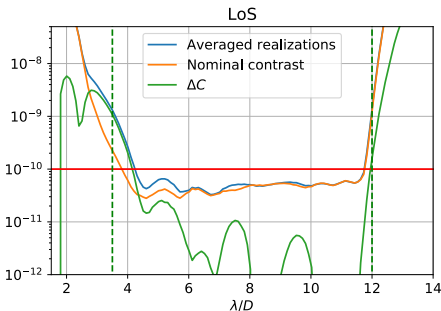
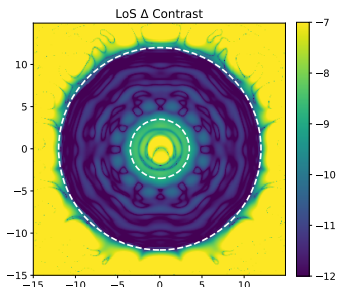
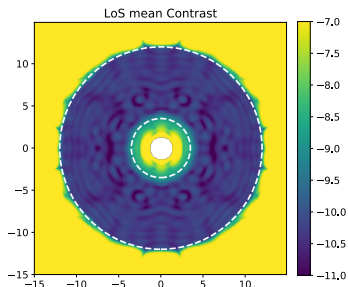
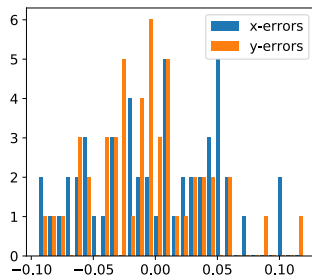
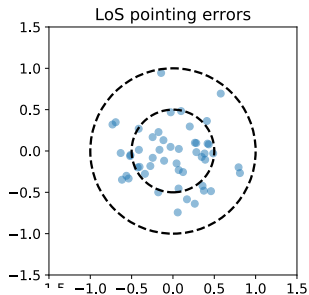


Coronagraph sensitivity to dynamic aberrations

Line of Sight (LoS) pointing errors

LUVOIR-A
APLC

$\sigma_{\text{LoS}} = 0.5 \text{ mas}$
Normal distribution
50 realizations averaged



Coronagraph sensitivity to dynamic aberrations

Line of Sight (LoS) pointing errors

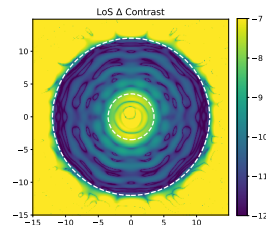
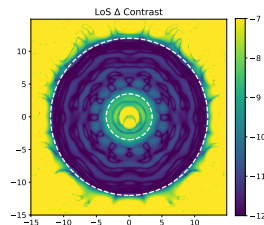
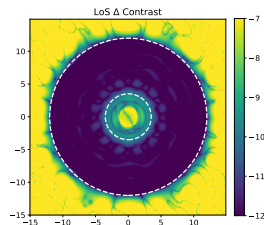
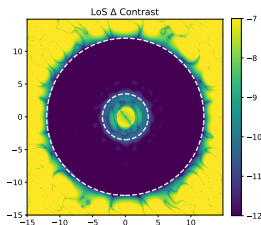
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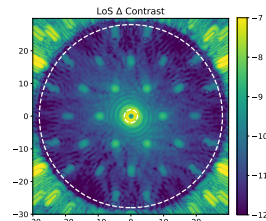
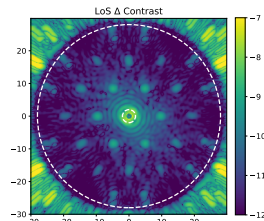
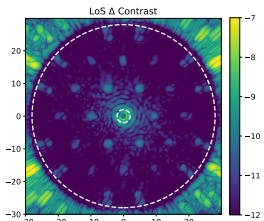
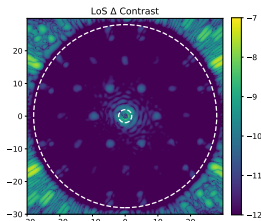
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$\sigma_{\text{LoS}} = 1.0 \text{ mas}$

LUVOIR-A
APLC



LUVOIR-B
VVC



Coronagraph sensitivity to dynamic aberrations

Segment phasing errors - Jitter

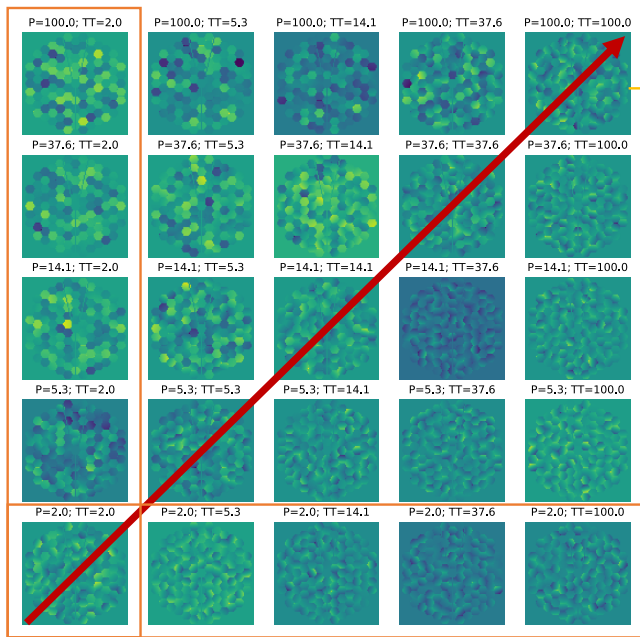
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 Piston(Tip/tilt) rms = 2..100 μ m

+ Piston

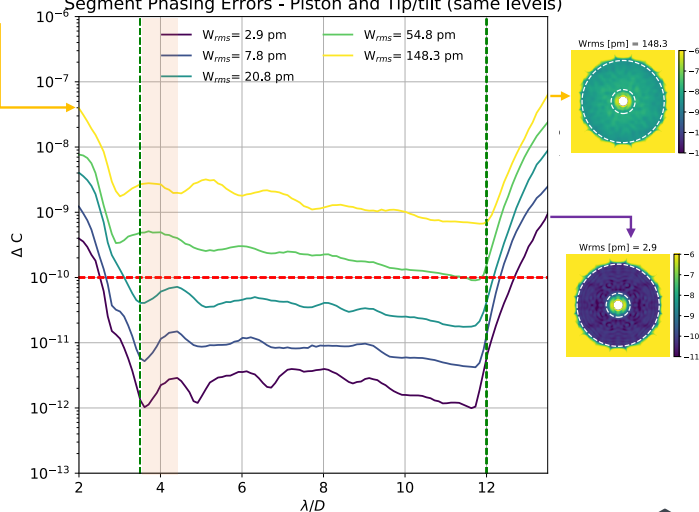
LUVOIR-A APLC

- Piston

- Tip/tilt



Segment Phasing Errors - Piston and Tip/tilt (same levels)

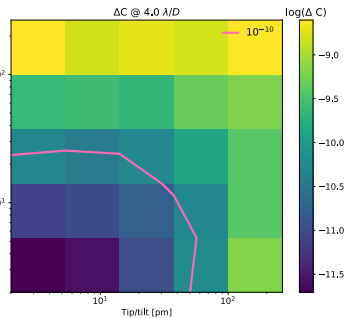
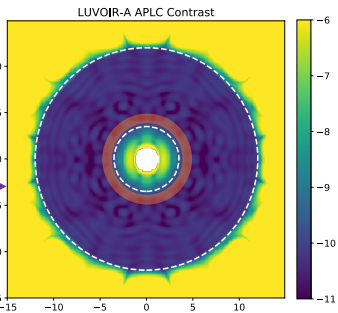
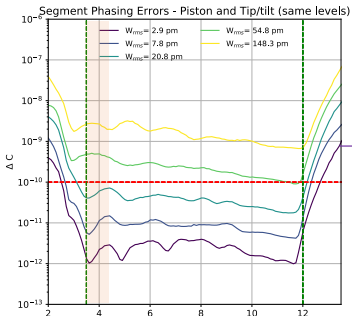


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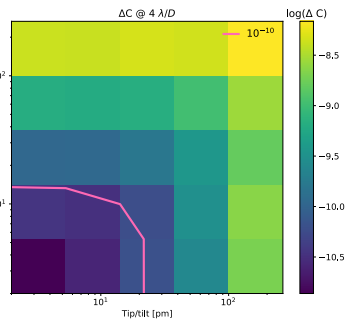
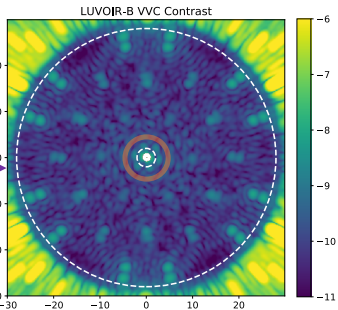
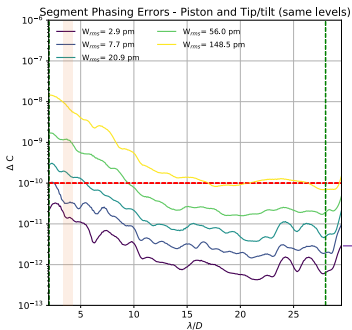
Coronagraph sensitivity to dynamic aberrations

Segment phasing errors - Jitter

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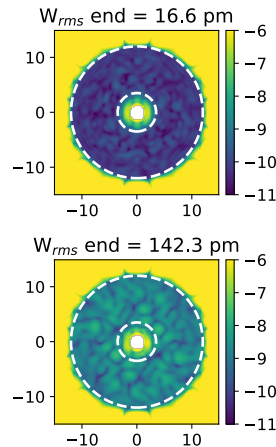
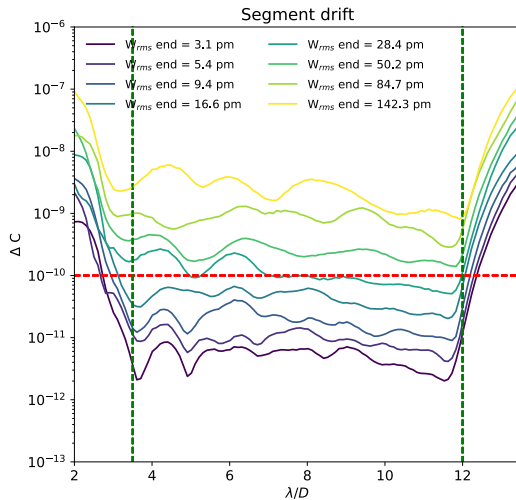
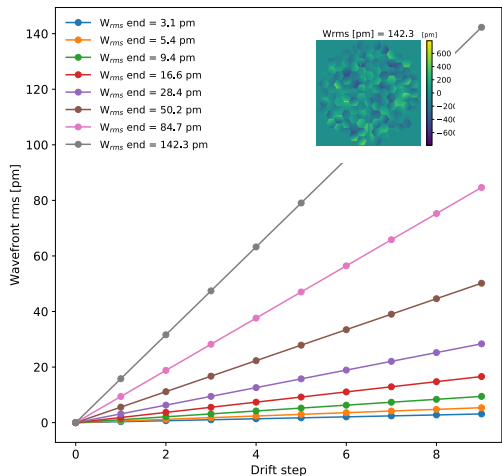
To remain below the 10^{-10} raw contrast target, the wavefront RMS should not exceed a few 10s of μm

Coronagraph sensitivity to dynamic aberrations

Segment phasing errors - Drift

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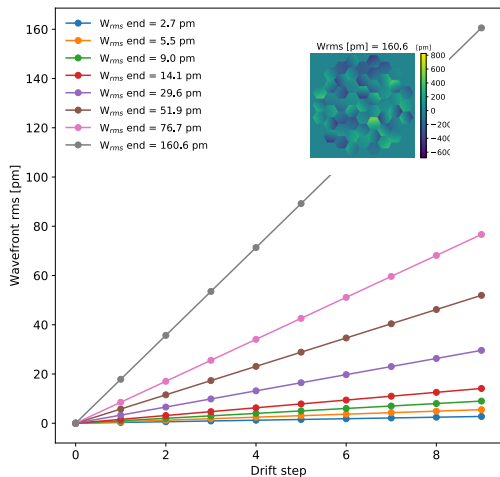
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Piston(Tip/tilt) rms = 2..100pm



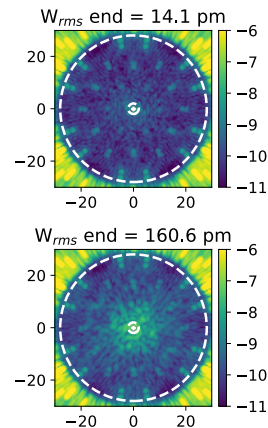
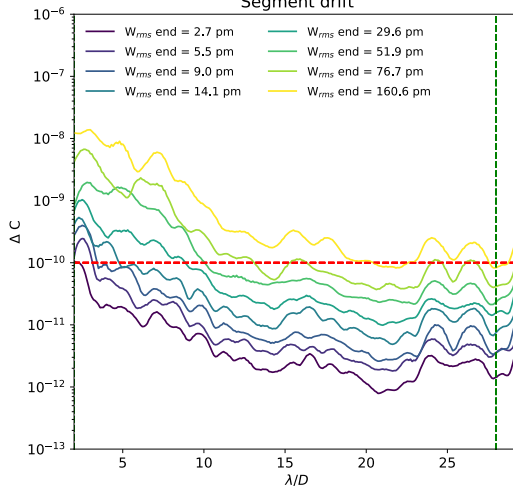
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LUVOIR-B VVC



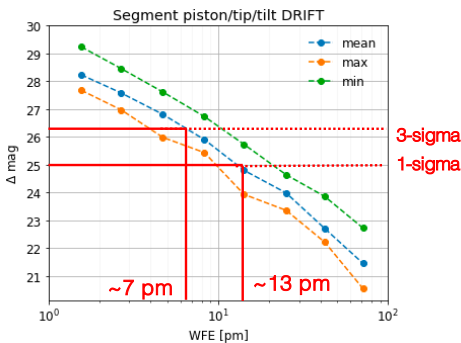
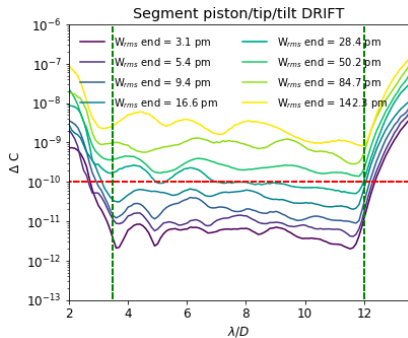
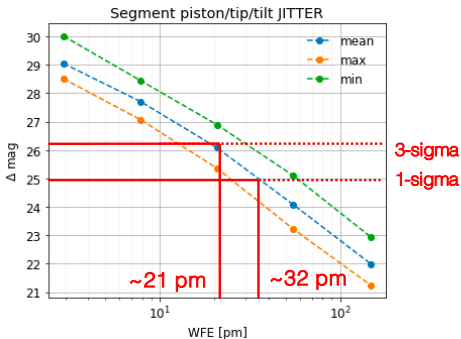
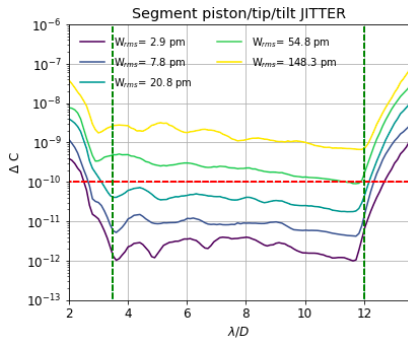
8 x 10 realizations
 Piston(Tip/tilt) rms = 2..100pm
 Segment drift



Radial profile - std

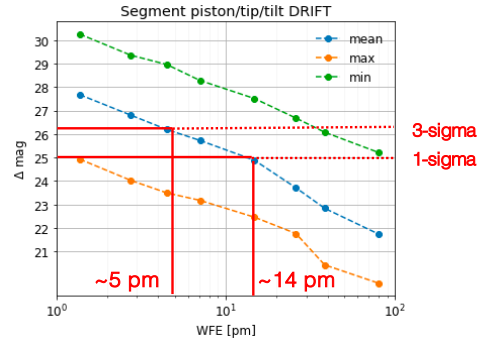
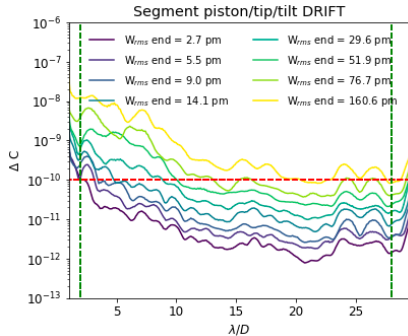
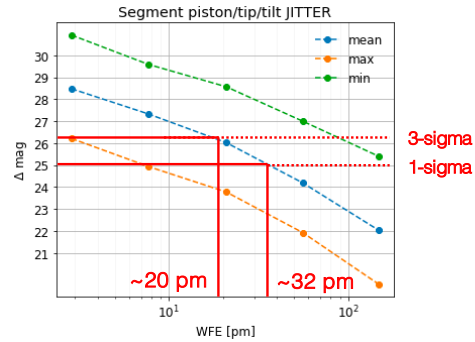
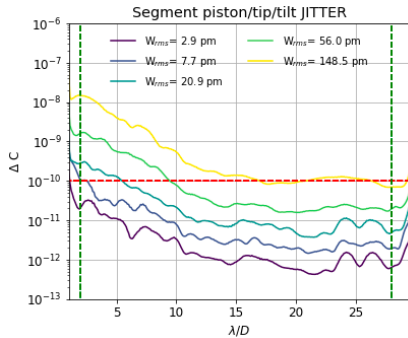
Coronagraph sensitivity to dynamic aberrations

LUVOIR-A APLC



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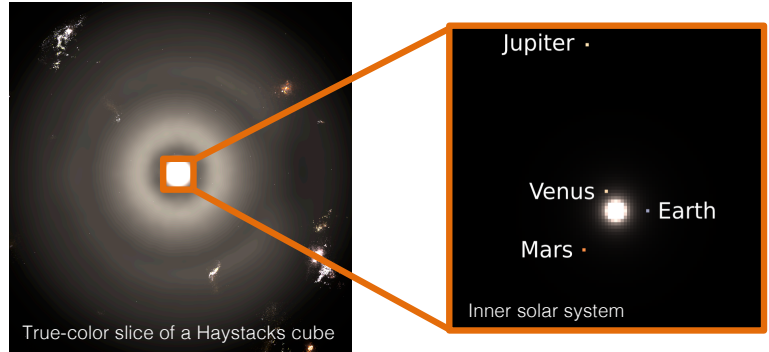
LUVOIR-B VVC



Simulation of exoplanet detection

The Haystacks project

- We use **Haystacks** models of the Archean and Modern solar system as inputs to the LUVOIR coronagraph model.
- The models contain detailed information from the **planetary architecture**, the **dust structure**, the **background stars**, and the **background galaxies**.
- Spectral information from **0.3 to 2.5 μm** , to cover the range of interest from future planet characterization flagship missions.



Anyone can download the models for various inclinations and wavelength bands at:
<https://asd.gsfc.nasa.gov/projects/haystacks/>

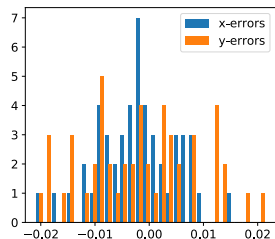
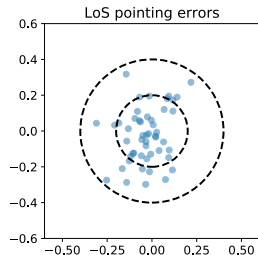
Simulation of exoplanet detection

LUVOIR-A APLC

Assumptions

- About the **observatory**:

LoS pointing error: 0.2 mas
Segment jitter (tip/tilt/piston): 7 μ m (Wrms ~ 10 μ m)
Num. averaged realizations: 50
LUVOIR-A DZ masks: 3.5-12 λ /D + 6.72-26.88 λ /D

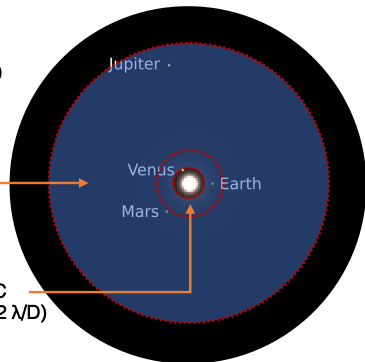


- About the **planetary system**

Stellar diameter: 0.75 mas
Distance: 12.5 pc
Inclination: 60 degrees
No background sources (stars / galaxies)
Zodiacal debris disk

LUVOIR-A APLC
wide angle (7-27 λ /D)

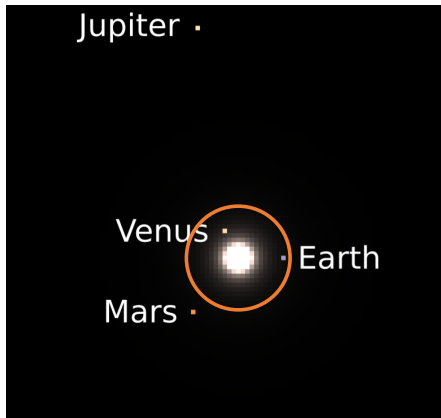
LUVOIR-A APLC
narrow angle (3.5-12 λ /D)



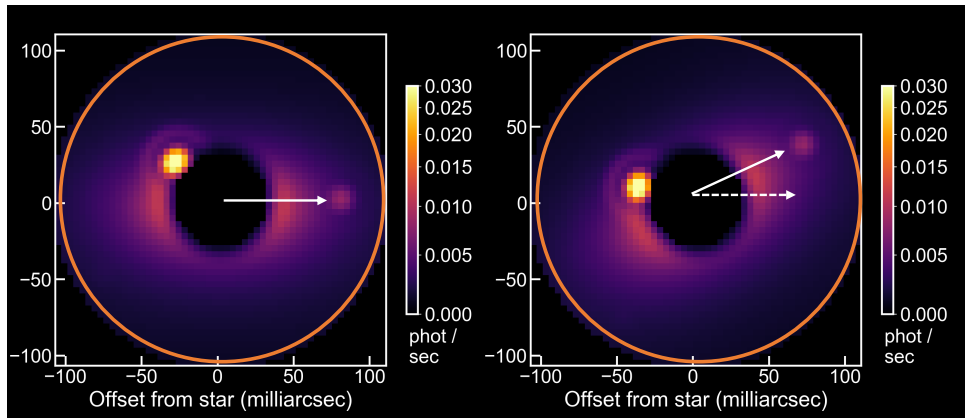
Simulation of exoplanet detection

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Convolution of the Haystacks model with the field-dependent coronagraph PSF.



Haystacks scene

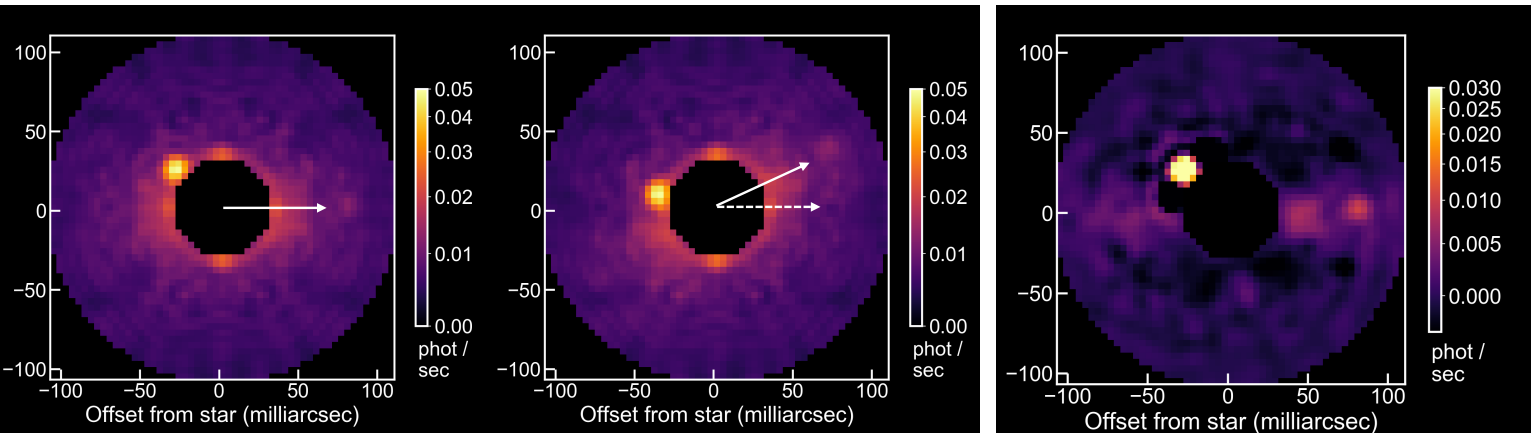


Narrow angle LUVOIR-A APLC masks
(without star, without noise)

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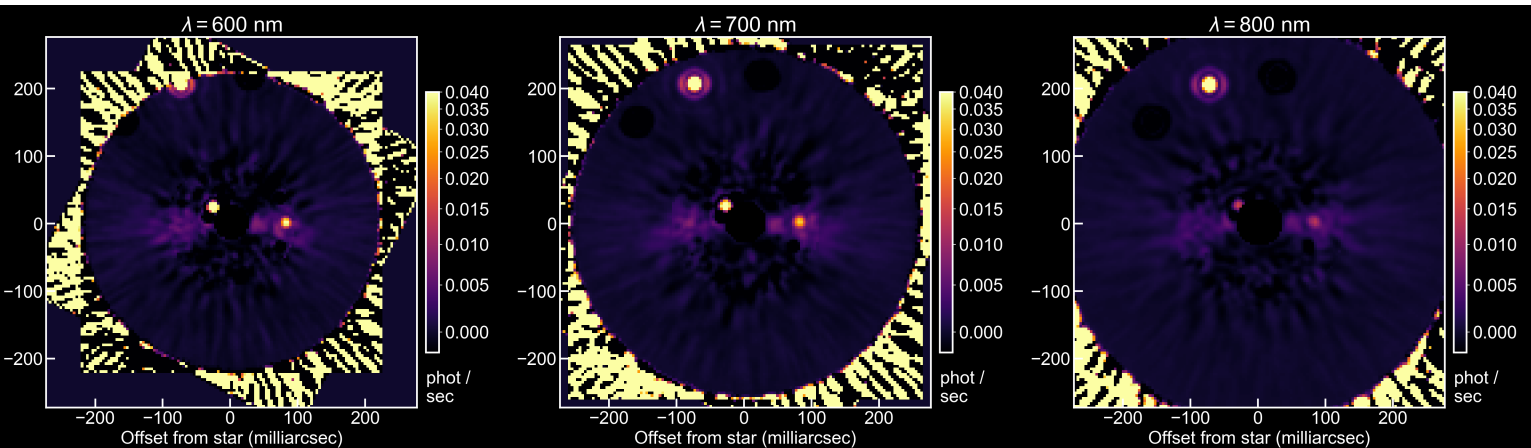
Narrow angle LUVOIR-A APLC mask
(with star, without noise)



Roll subtraction

Simulation of exoplanet detection

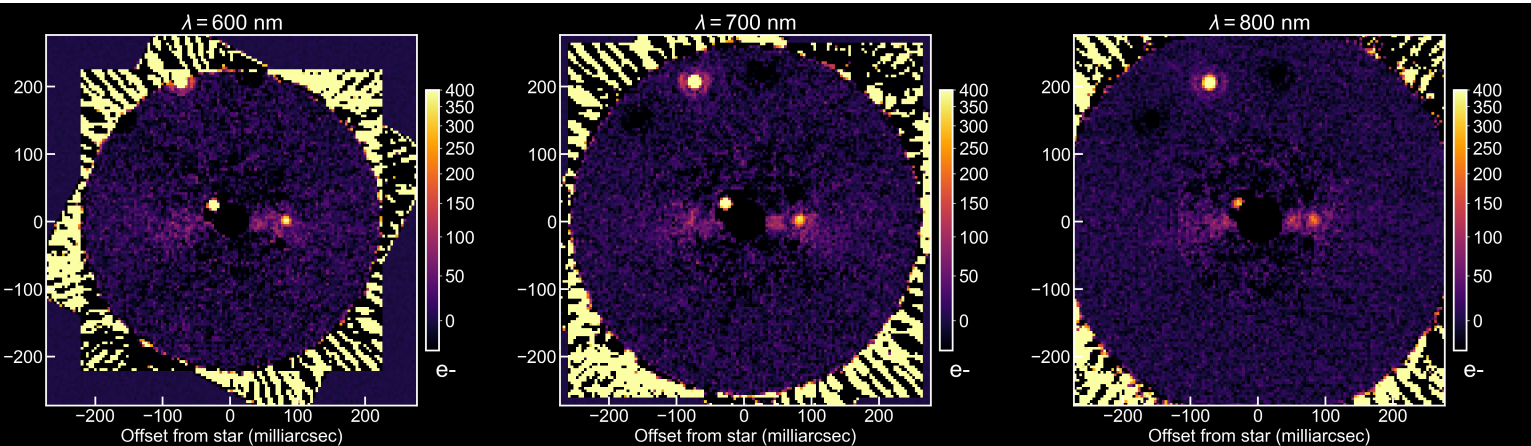
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LUVOIR-A APLC **narrow** angle mask (3.5-12 λ/D): 3 bands, 10%, $\lambda = (600 \text{ nm}, 700 \text{ nm}, 800 \text{ nm})$
LUVOIR-A APLC **wide** angle mask (6.72-26.88 λ/D): 3 bands, 18%, $\lambda = (600 \text{ nm}, 700 \text{ nm}, 800 \text{ nm})$

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APLC Narrow: 5 hours
APLC Wide: 3 hours

APLC Narrow: 6 hours
APLC Wide: 3 hours

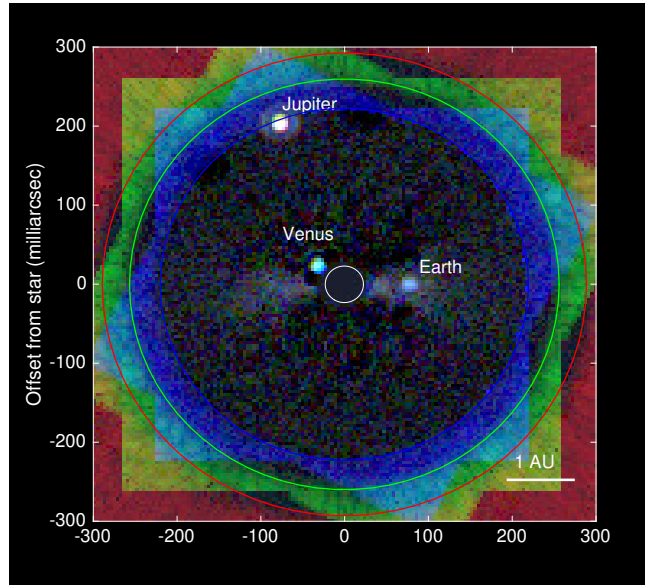
APLC Narrow: 8 hours
APLC Wide: 4 hours

Including detector noise
Integration time: 60 hours (including 25% overheads)

600 nm: $T_{\text{int}} = 17$ hr, SNR = 14
700 nm: $T_{\text{int}} = 19$ hr, SNR = 12
800 nm: $T_{\text{int}} = 24$ hr, SNR = 9

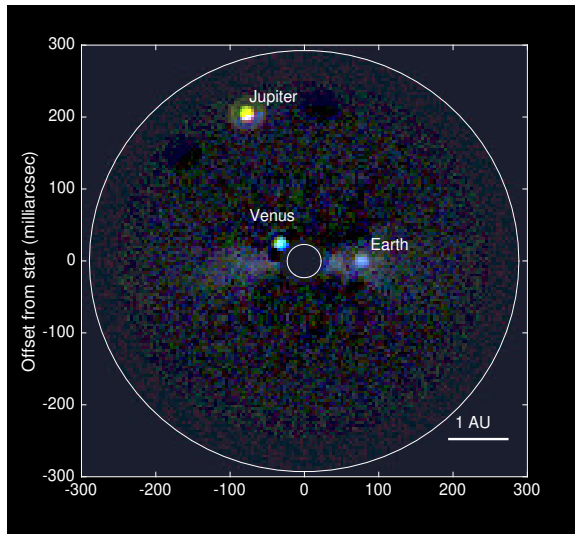
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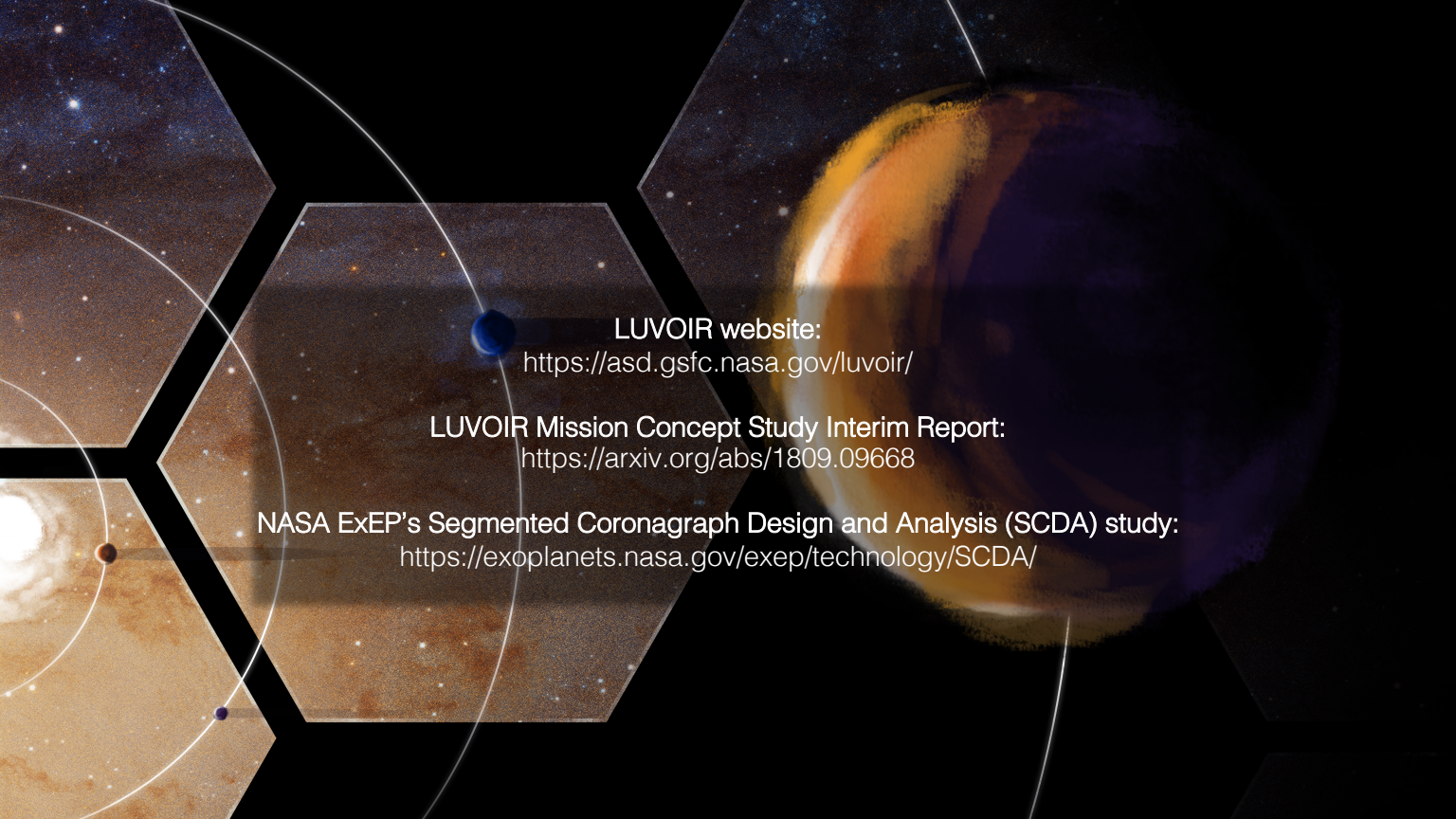
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Conclusions

- We have presented the **first LUVOIR ECLIPS data simulations** incorporating error sources consistent with the engineering requirements defined in the LUVOIR study report
- Under our present assumptions for residual dynamical wavefront errors, simulations suggest that simple roll subtraction is an effective means to **recover exoplanet point sources at 10^{-10} contrast in the habitable zones of nearby stars.**
- Within SCDA, we will continue to investigate various levels and combinations of telescope **wavefront errors and drifts**, as well as instrument **optical train aberrations**
- Current telescope aberrations are purely random wavefront error representations. Future work will use integrated structural thermal models from industry partners.





LUVOIR website:

<https://asd.gsfc.nasa.gov/luvoir/>

LUVOIR Mission Concept Study Interim Report:

<https://arxiv.org/abs/1809.09668>

NASA ExEP's Segmented Coronagraph Design and Analysis (SCDA) study:

<https://exoplanets.nasa.gov/exep/technology/SCDA/>