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In-Space Assembled Telescope (iSAT)

Study Members Telecon 3

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Today's Agenda

1. Quick Review of Study Goals and Activities
2. Advance Selection Criteria

Telecon #1, #2 presentation slides:

https://exoplanets.nasa.gov/exep/technology/in-space-assembly/iSAT_working_group_telecons/

Study Charter:

https://exoplanets.nasa.gov/internal_resources/864

Review of Study Goals and Activities

Telescope Modularization Workshop

June 5-7, Caltech, Pasadena, CA

- **Goal:**
 - *Generating concepts for a 20 m modularized telescope*
- **Draft Agenda:**
 - https://exoplanets.nasa.gov/exep/technology/in-space-assembly/iSAT_study_workshops/
- **A block of rooms is available at the Marriott Residence Inn Old Town Pasadena**
 - **Deadline to book is May 18th**
 - https://exoplanets.nasa.gov/exep/technology/in-space-assembly/iSAT_study_workshops/
- **Logistics questions:**
 - Jennifer Gregory (jgregory@jpl.nasa.gov)

Study Objective and Deliverables

- **Study Objective:**

- *“When is it advantageous to assemble space telescopes in space rather than to build them on the Earth and deploy them autonomously from individual launch vehicles?”*

- **Deliverables:**

A whitepaper by May 2019 assessing:

1. the telescope size at which iSA is necessary (*an enabling capability*)
2. the telescope size at which iSA is cheaper or lower risk with respect to traditional launch vehicle deployment (*an enhancing capability*)
3. the important factors that impact the answers (e.g., existence of HEO-funded infrastructure, architecture of space telescope (segments or other), cryogenic or not, coronagraph capable (stability) or not, etc.)
4. A list of technology gaps and technologies that may enable in-space assembly

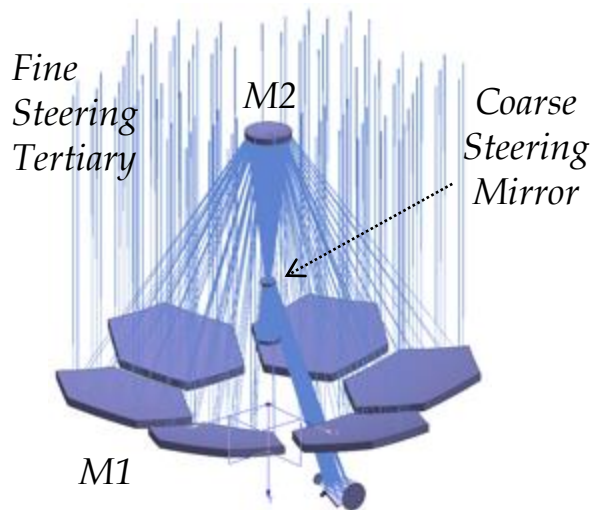
The intention of the whitepaper is to inform NASA and the 2020 Decadal Survey of the cost and risk benefits of the iSA of telescopes.

Activity 1a

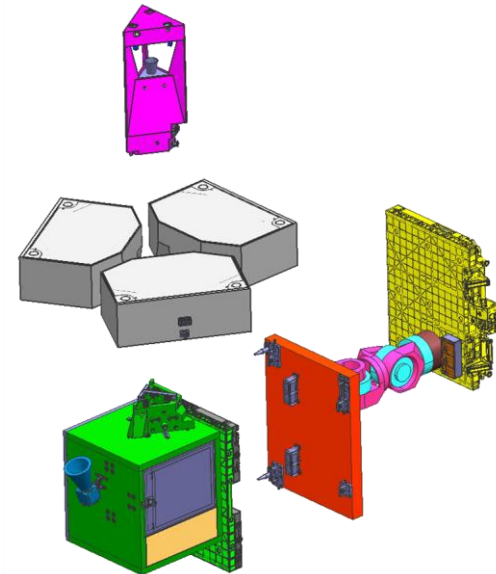
Concept Design and Architecture for the iSAT

Select a reference design and architecture concept for a 20 m, filled aperture, non-cryogenic space telescope to be assembled and tested in space.

- Paradigm shift in architecture: Modularization
- An example, from the 2012 OpTIIX study (NASA JSC/GSFC/JPL/STScI):

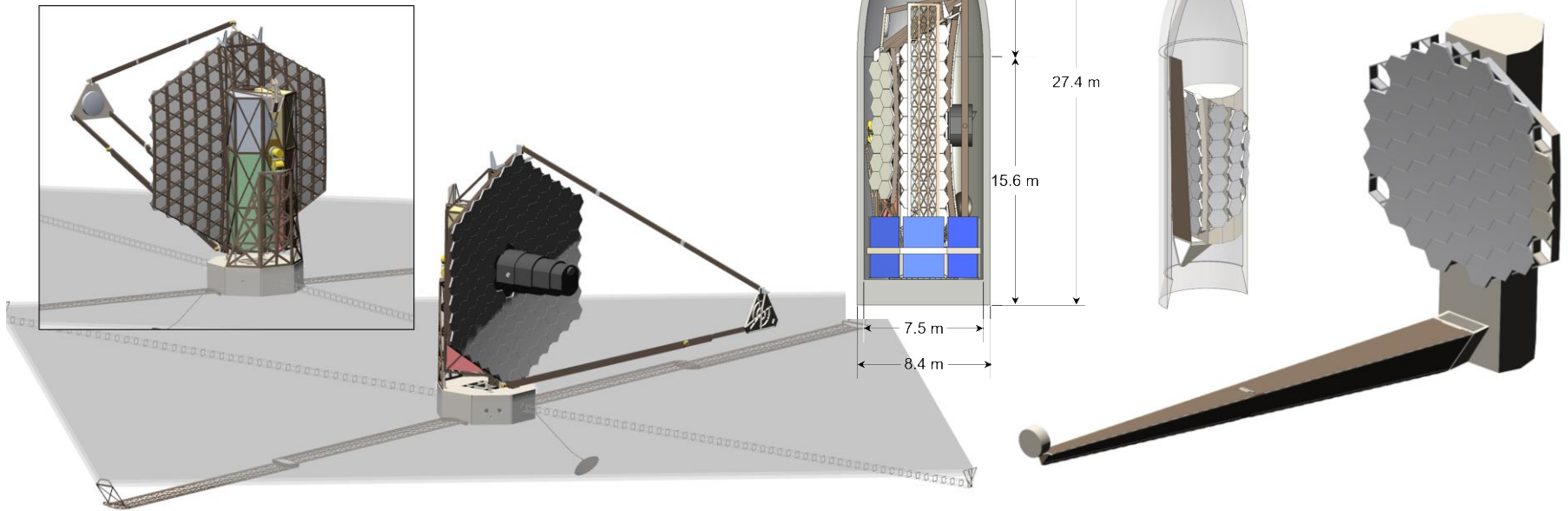


**3 Mirror Anastigmat
Telescope
(1.45 m aperture)**



**6 launch modules
for assembly**

LUVOIR Architectures



- **LUVOIR A: 15 m on-axis**

- On-axis JWST-derived configuration
- Shielded from the Sun, then optics heated to 270K
- Gimballed telescope

- **LUVOIR B: 8 m off-axis**
(*preliminary*)

- Off-axis config is better for coronagraphy
- Primary mirror f/2.7: 20 m PM-SM separation

Features of Kepner-Tregoe Decision Process

Decision Statement											
Description				Option 1		Option 2		Option 3			
				Feature 1							
Feature 2											
Feature 3											
Evaluation				Musts							
				M1				✓	✓	✓	✓
M2				✓	?	?	?				
M3				✓	✓	✗	✗				
Wants		Weights									
W1		w1%		Rel score		Rel score		Rel score			
W2		w2%		Rel score		Rel score		Rel score			
W3		w3%		Rel score		Rel score		Rel score			
		100%		Wt sum =>		Score 1		Score 2		Score 3	
Risks				C		L		C		L	
				Risk 1		M	L	M	L		
Risk 2				H	H	M	M				
Final Decision, Accounting for Risks											
C = Consequence, L = Likelihood											

plus Assumptions

Advance Selection Criteria Concurrence

(switch to Excel)

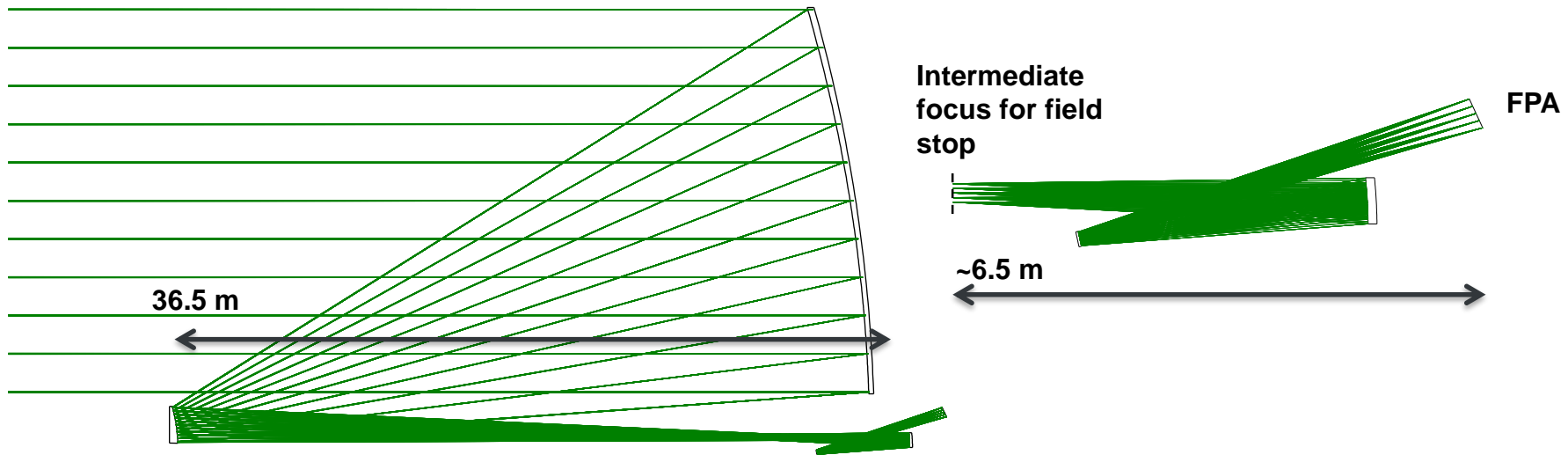
Next Steps

- **First Face-to-Face Workshop for the Working Group**
 - June 5-7 at Caltech
 - Focus is on Activity 1a: Designing and Architecting a Modularized Telescope
 - Draft Agenda completed
 - Breakout sessions

Additional Slides

Off-Axis 20-Meter Optical Layout

.Candidate conceptual design



Parameter	Assumption
Entrance pupil diameter	20 meter
Field of View	3x3 arc-minute
Final F/#	F/30
Image size	530 x 530 mm (implied by EPD, F/#, and FOV)
Primary mirror ROC and F number	80 meter ; F/2.0
Primary-secondary spacing	36.5 meter
AOI, maximum on each mirror	16.0° primary; 17.5° secondary; 5.6° tertiary; 8.4° fold.
RMS WFE (nanometer)	18.6 maximum, 10.4 average

Activities 2a and 2b

(Not Yet Funded)

Detailed Engineering Design and Costed

Activity 2a: Advance the engineering fidelity of the concepts sufficiently so that they can be costed.

- a) Inputs from Activity 1a and 1b
- b) Select a team of NASA engineers, academia, government labs, and commercial companies to conduct the work.
- c) Needs funding

Activity 2b: Estimate, through an independent body, the cost of designing, architecting, assembling, and testing the reference 20 m space telescope?

- a) Input design from Activity 2a
- b) Identify risks
- c) Parameterize the cost to smaller apertures

Activity 3

Deliver Final Whitepaper

Write and deliver the Final Whitepaper

- a) Submit to APD Director who submits to 2020 Decadal Survey



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