

TRW Space & Electronics Group

TRW TPF Preliminary Architecture Review Introduction

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- TRW Prime, system engineering, spacecraft
- Kodak Optical technology
- ITT Modeling, instrument technology
- LLNL Modeling, instrument technology
- SEE Orbit analysis
- SDL Instrument technology
- Science Phenomenology, concepts, astrophysics, concept assessments

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- TRW team performed objective trade on architectures applicable to TPF mission
 - All concepts are technically very challenging
- We normalized planet detection/characterization across all architectures, then assessed them per the JPL evaluation criteria
 - Technology, cost, risk, reliability/robustness, astrophysics, legacy
- All five architectures studied fall into two classes
 - Direct Imagers: Simultaneous coverage of u-v plane (telescopes)
 - Synthetic Imagers: Sequential coverage of u-v plane (interferometers)
- We find Direct Imagers (DI) have advantages over Synthetic Imagers (SI) (given normalized detection/characterization performance)
 - Technical complexity of SI daunting on many fronts vs. large system sizes required for DIs
 - Legacy of SI to future missions (LifeFinder, Planet Imager) not clear
 - DI have high general astronomy utility; SI more specialized
- TRW wishes to further investigate Direct Imagers during Phase 2
 - Interferometer challenges better understood; DIs need additional work

- Large Aperture Coronagraph (IR (visible possible))
 - ~30 m diameter primary with excellent mid-frequency figure
 - Cryogenic operation using NGST optics and cooling technology
 - Coronagraph with deformable optics, Lyot stop and apodized spot
- Fresnel Coronagraph (IR (visible possible))
 - ~30 m fresnel lens primary
 - ‘Eyepiece’ satellite formation flown at distance of 6 km
 - 1.5 m optics, fresnel correction lenses, Lyot and coronagraph spots
- Sparse Aperture (IR)
 - ~100 m primary with ~100 subapertures (2-4 m), random positions
 - ‘Eyepiece’ satellite formation flown at 500 meters
- Free Flying Occultor (visible)
 - ~70 m apodized occultor formation flown 100,000 km away
 - 8 m primary diffraction limited in the visible
- Nulling Interferometer (IR)
 - Oasis 1-3-3-1 with 4 meter apertures, cryogenic operation
 - 70 meter class baseline

LARGE APERTURE CORONAGRAPH

FRESNEL CORONAGRAPH

- Interferometer not practical in visible
 - Contrast ratio too severe
 - Technology too stressing

INTERFEROMETER

- Sparse aperture not practical in visible
 - Contrast ratio too severe

SPARSE APERTURE

OCCULTER

- Occulter not practical in IR
 - Occulter too large
 - Occulter too distant

Combinations of architectures (e.g., occulter + coronagraph)

Studied



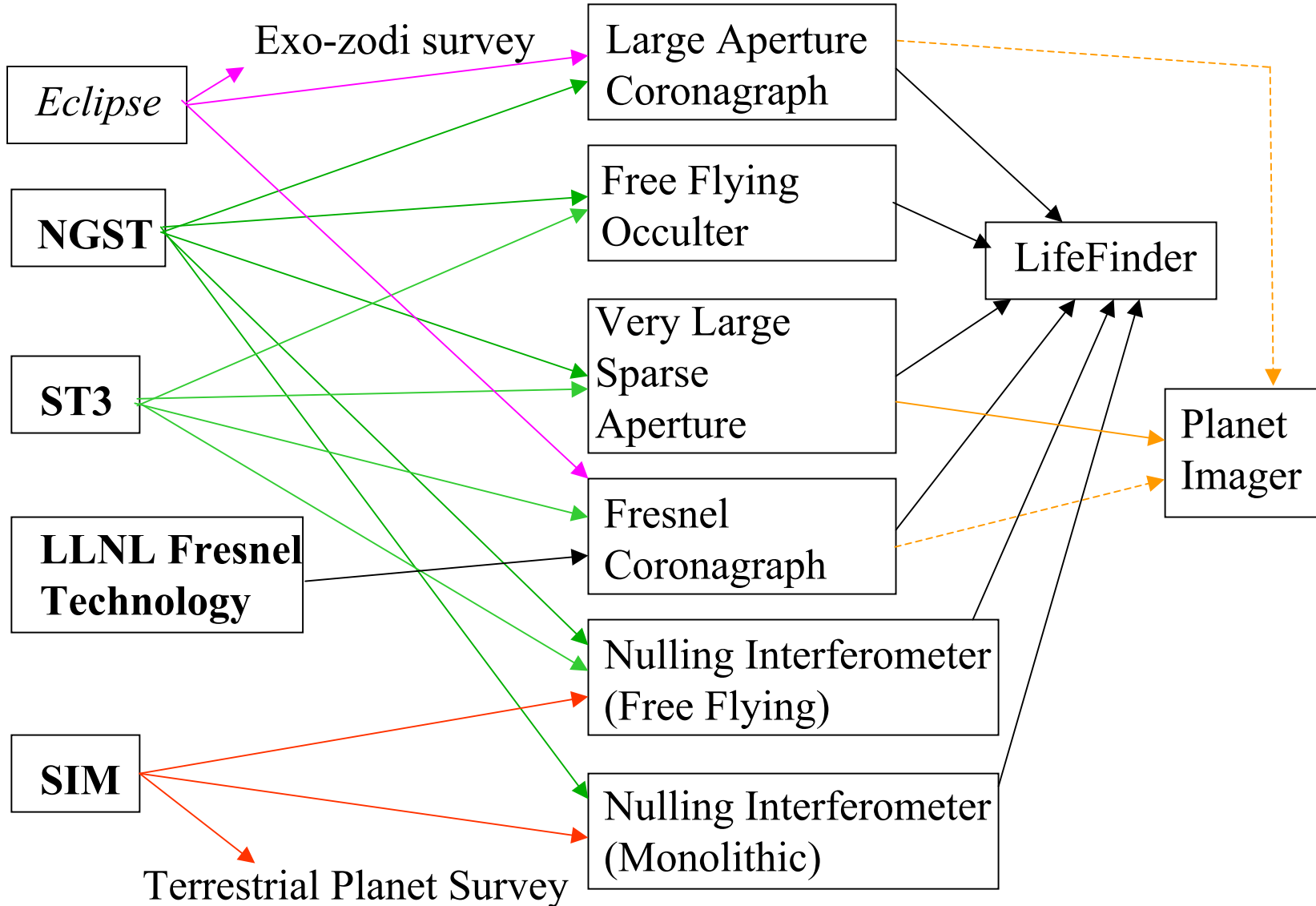
Not Yet Studied



VISIBLE

INFRARED

Current or Potential Programs



- Introduction
- TPF Requirements
 - Phenomenological implications and derived requirements
- TRW Study Results Summary
 - Rationale for architecture selection decisions
- Detailed Architecture Evaluation
 - Science Utility
 - Technical Risk
 - Legacy
 - Reliability/Robustness
 - Architecture Prioritization
- Architecture Briefings
 - Coronagraph; fresnel lens; sparse aperture; interferometer; occulter
- Summary

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| • Requirements | 15 minutes | Casement |
| • Study Results | 10 minutes | Moses |
| • Architecture Comparisons | 20 minutes | Moses |
| • Coronagraph | 30 minutes | Casement |
| • Fresnel Lens | 30 minutes | Bennett |
| • Sparse Aperture | 30 minutes | Flannery |
| • Interferometer | 30 minutes | Larkin |
| • Occulter | 30 minutes | Starkman |
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| • Discussion | 30 minutes | All |