

Exo-Earth Discovery and Characterization with Large UV-Optical-IR Observatories. A. M. Mandell¹, C. C. Stark², A. Roberge¹, S. D. Domagal-Goldman¹, K. R. Stapelfeldt¹, T. D. Robinson³, M. Clampin¹, N. Rioux¹, M. Postman², and H. Thronson¹. ¹NASA Goddard Space Flight Center, 8800 Greenbelt Road, Greenbelt, MD 20771 (contact: avi.mandell@nasa.gov), ²Space Telescope Science Institute, 3700 San Martin Drive, Baltimore, MD 21218, ³ORAU Fellow in residence at NASA Ames Research Center, Moffett Field, CA 94035

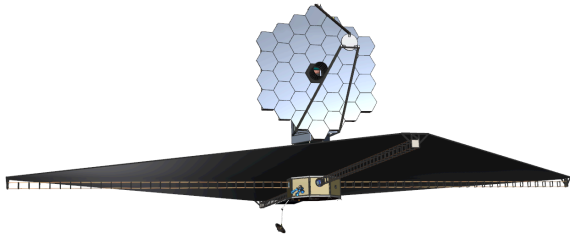


Figure 1: The image is a representation of ATLAST (Advanced Technology Large Aperture Space Telescope). ATLAST is a 9.2 meter LUVOIR telescope designed to search for extrasolar life. The segmented architecture enables the folding of large aperture sizes within existing launch vehicles such as the Delta IV.

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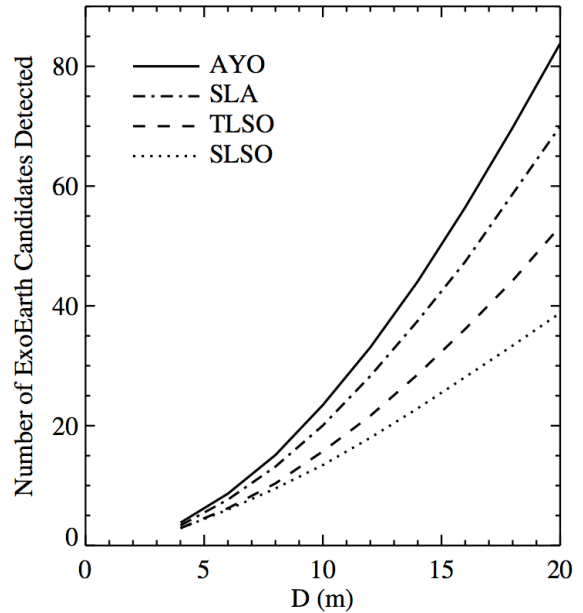


Figure 2: Number of exoEarth candidates detected vs. telescope diameter for different yield calculation methods. AYO increases yield by up to 100% compared to previous yield calculation methods: Stellar Luminosity-Adjusted (SLA), Tuned Limiting Search Observation (TLSO), and Strict Limiting Search Observation (SLSO) [2].