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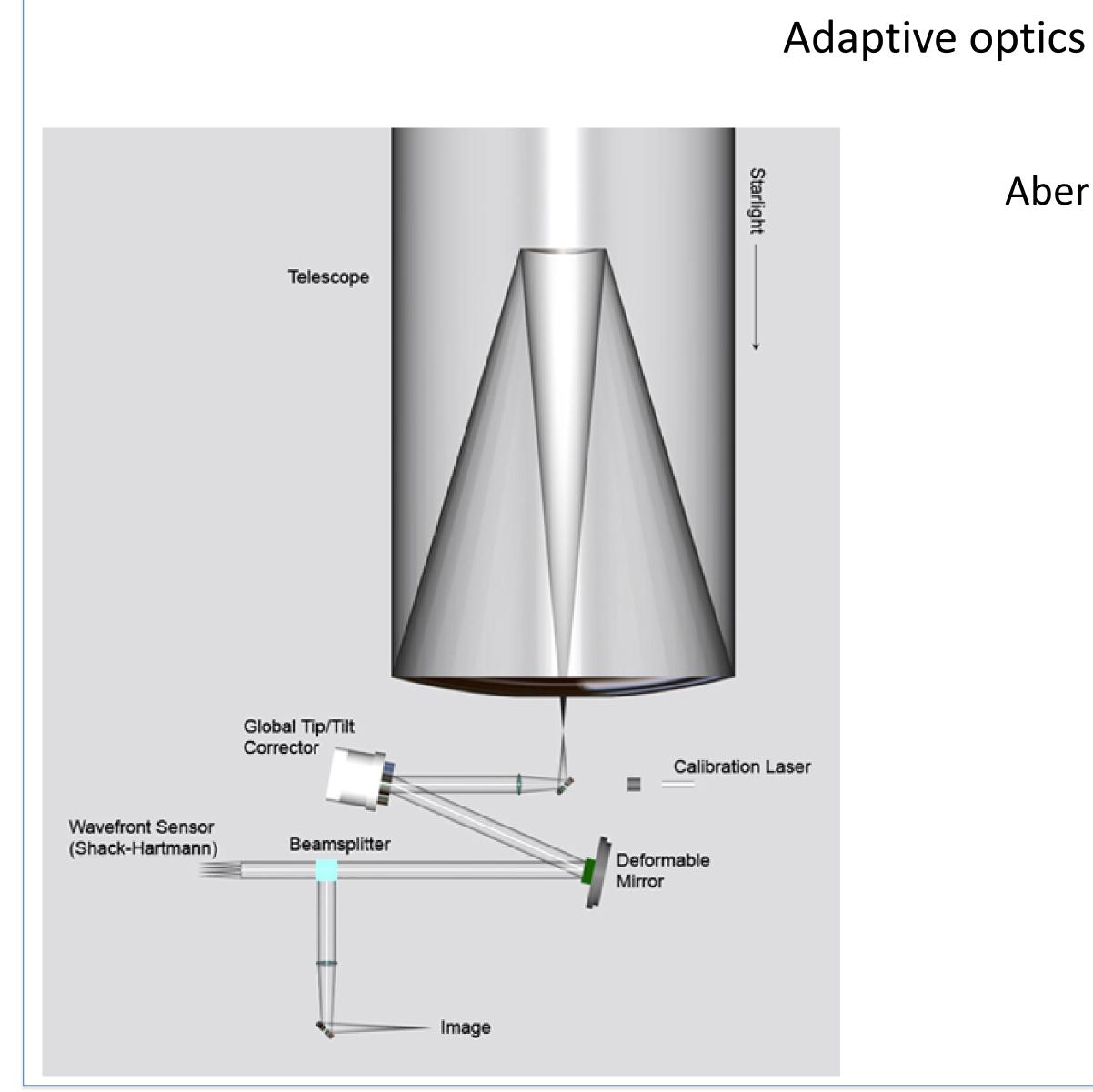


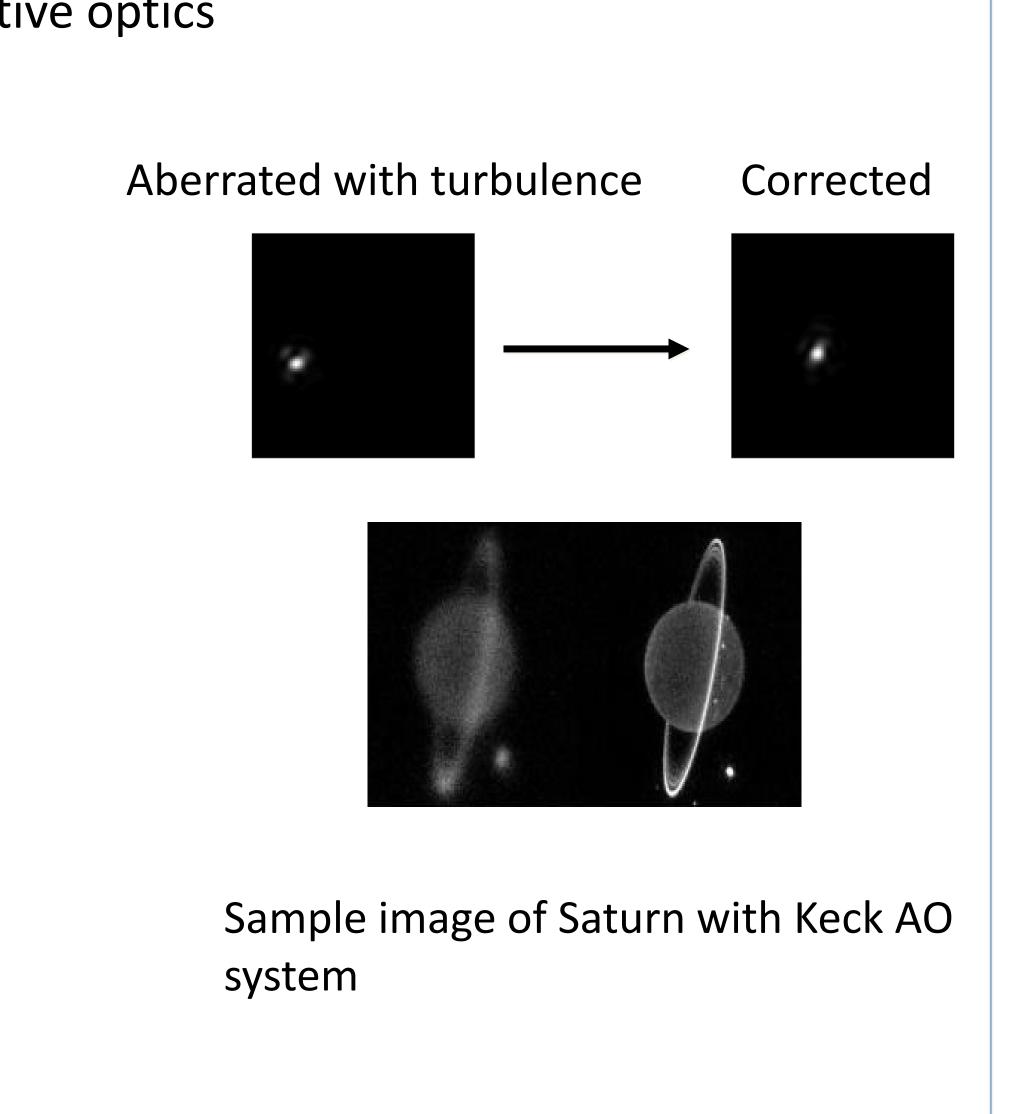
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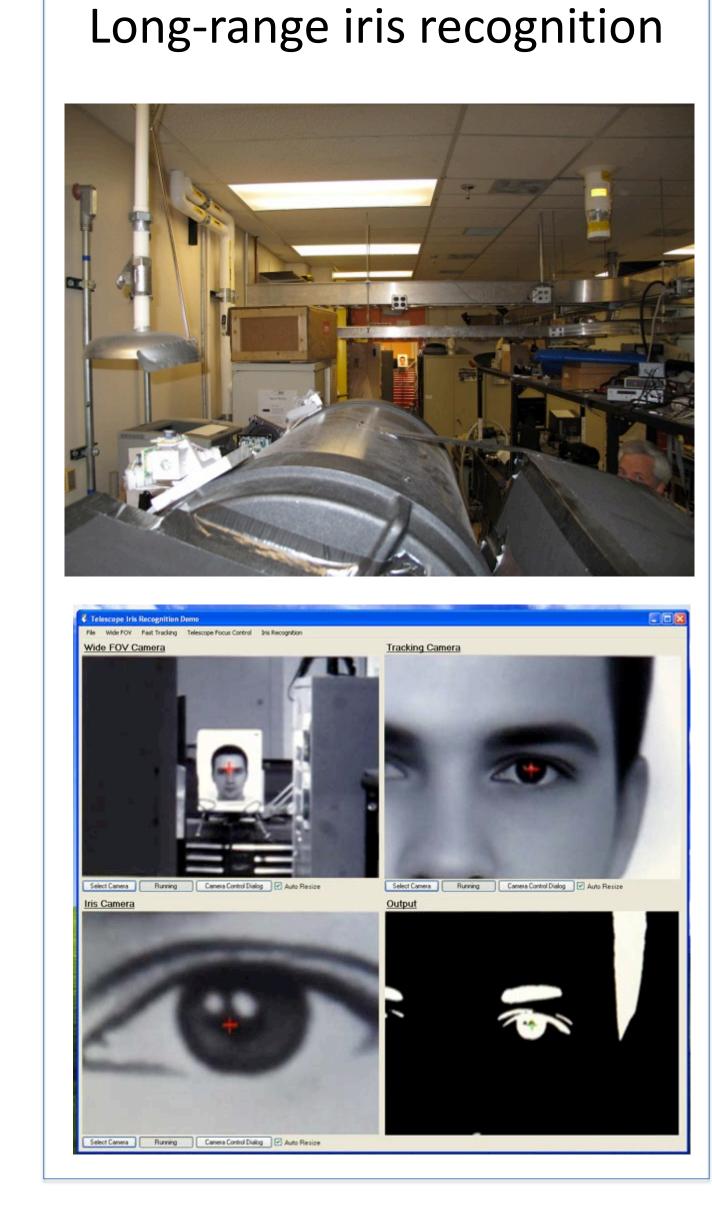
Light-Weight Telescopes and Adaptive Optics Applications

- Light-weight carbon fiber reinforced polymer structures for telescope
- Adaptive optical systems for astronomy and other applications
- CFRP carbon fiber reinforced polymer materials
- Telescopes and adaptive optics for long-range biometric iris recognition



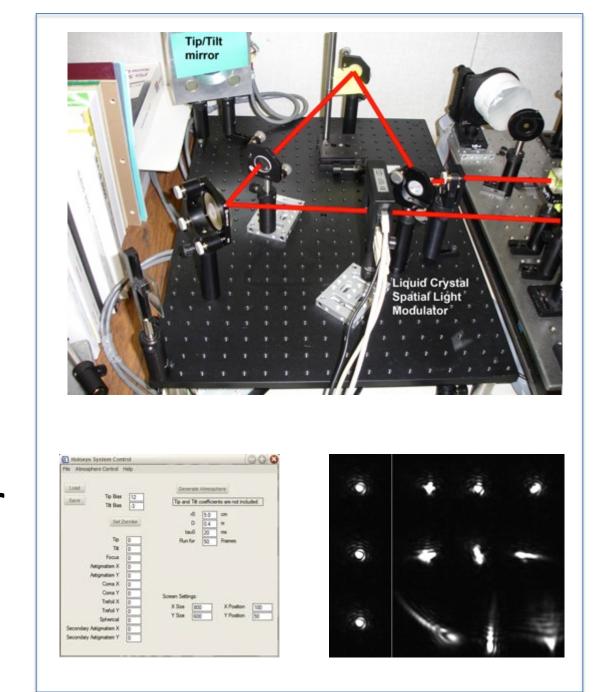






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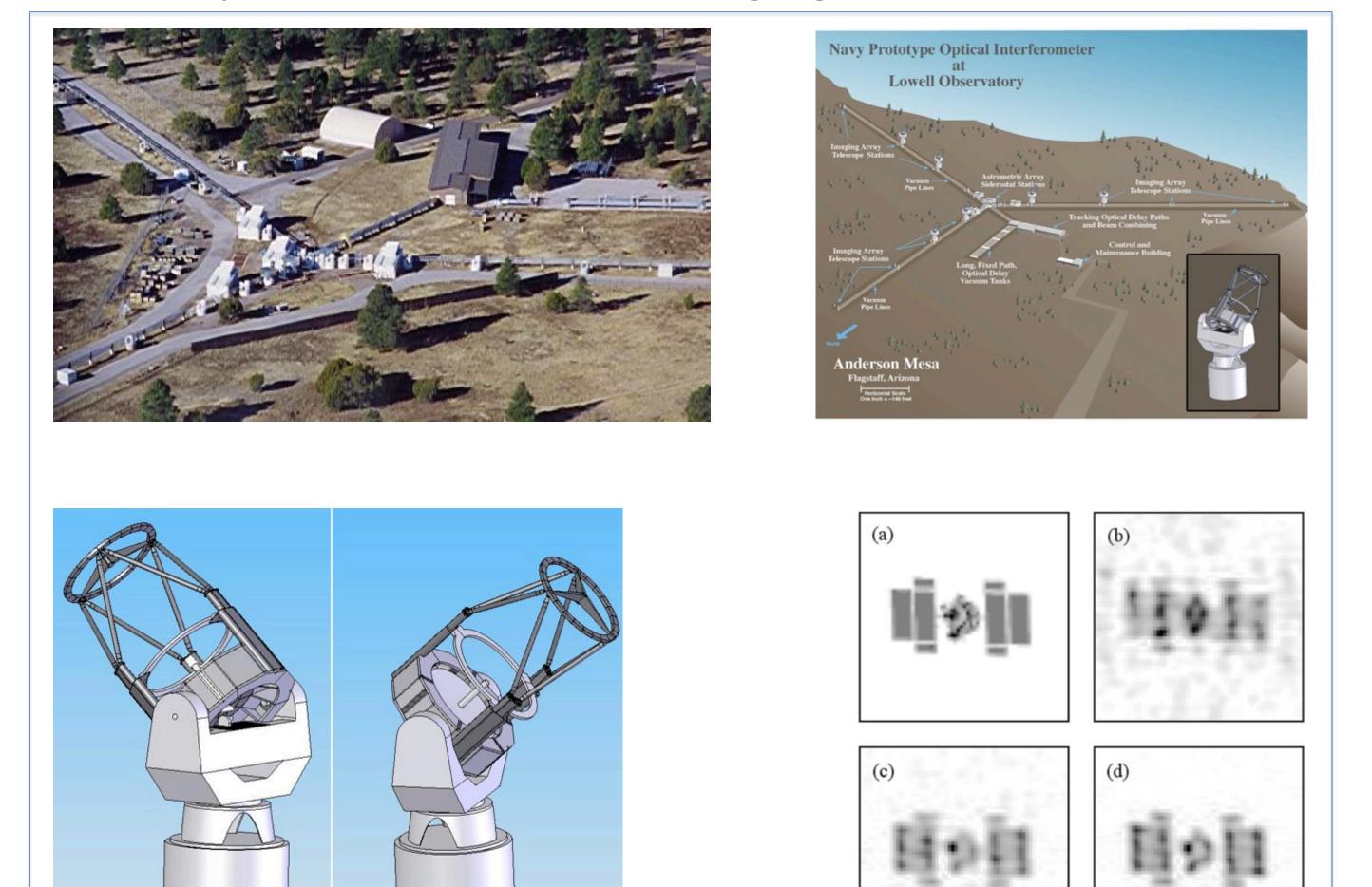
- Atmospheric turbulence generation, simulation, algorithm, and software design
- Vertical and horizontal image paths
- Scintillation measurements
- Atmospheric characterization for system development





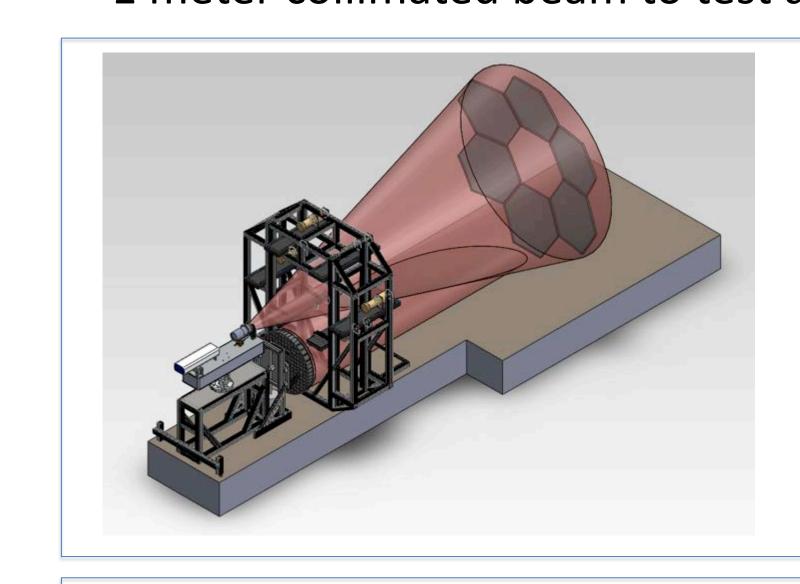
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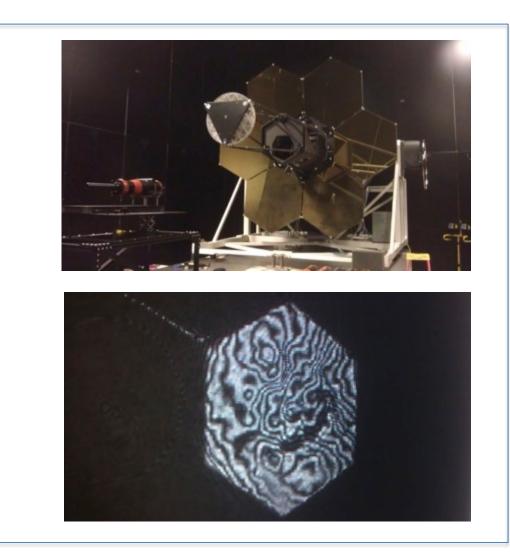
- Naval Precision Optical Interferometer
- Upgrading siderostats to CFRP telescopes for light collection
- Geosynchronous satellite imaging

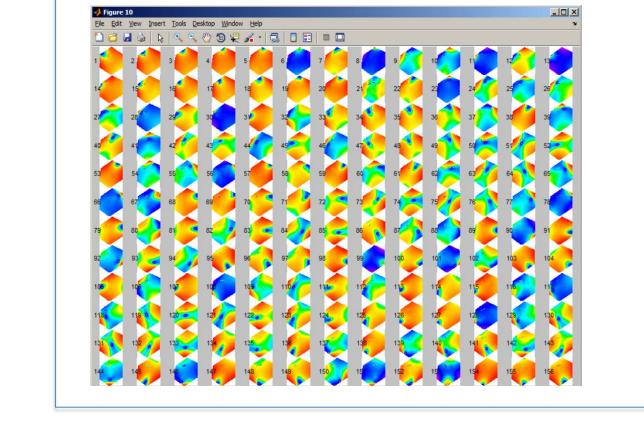


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- Segmented Mirror Telescope
- 3 experiments integrated in overall system
- Center of curvature measurement of primary mirror
- Phasing segments
- 1 meter collimated beam to test aft optics







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[I_m] is the influence matrix measured [S] is the desired surface

[V] is the necessary voltages needed