

# Build-to-Cost Architecture Wavefront Error Performance

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## 1 Introduction

In response to the ‘build-to-cost’ directive pursuant to the NGAO conceptual design review (held in April 2008), we have revised the NGAO system architecture, reducing system costs while continuing to provide outstanding science improvement on top-priority science cases.

This KAON begins with a review of the new architecture parameters, which are used as input to the Wavefront Error Budget Tool previously utilized to estimate NGAO performance.

## 2 Recent changes to the Wavefront Error Budget Tool

Note, subsequent to the April 2008 conceptual design review, this tool has undergone some expansion, most notably the implementation of a separate error budget to predict the sharpening of the furthest off-axis of three natural low-order wavefront sensor (LOWFS) stars. In addition, several minor bug fixes have been implemented (most notably a previous error in the atmospheric transmission for off-zenith targets), as well as a revision of the LGS tomography error terms based upon recent and extensive LAOS simulations performance by C. Neyman<sup>1</sup>. In general, we believe the level of tomography error for NGAO to be less than reported as the ‘conservative assumptions’ in KAON 429.

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<sup>1</sup> See results posted at: [http://www.oir.caltech.edu/twiki\\_oir/bin/view/Keck/NGAO/LGS\\_Asterism\\_Study](http://www.oir.caltech.edu/twiki_oir/bin/view/Keck/NGAO/LGS_Asterism_Study)

### 3 New Baseline LGS Architecture

The new baseline LGS architecture that we have arrived at based on the elimination of a deployable integral field unit instrument is the following:

- A fixed LGS asterism consisting of one on-axis LGS and three fixed LGS symmetrically located on a radius, R. The optimal value of R is to be determined from the analysis (see Section 5.1). This “3+1” asterism is used for laser tomography over the science field. A total of 50W of laser power will be distributed uniformly between these four LGS.
- Three movable or point-and-shoot (PnS) LGS to be used to sharpen the three natural guide stars used to provide tip-tilt information (one will also be used for focus, astigmatism and high order low bandwidth information). These LGS are used as part of single LGS AO systems. A total of 25W of laser power will be distributed uniformly between these three LGS.

In addition to the LGS architecture change (with respect to the system design) the optics bench architecture has changed such that the 2<sup>nd</sup> relay is in transmission (as opposed to reflection) after the 1<sup>st</sup> relay. The LOWFS are fed by pickoff arms that would vignette the science field if guide stars are selected which are within the science field. This approach also precludes using the science object as a guide star.

### 4 Architecture Details Modeled

#### 4.1 Launch Facility and LGS Return Assumptions

- All LGS are center launched
- Uplink tip-tilt only on each LGS WFS
- 100 ph/cm<sup>2</sup>/sec/W in mesosphere
- Sodium column density:  $3 \times 10^9$  atoms/cm<sup>2</sup>
- Transmission from the laser out of the launch telescope = 0.75
- Atmospheric transmission<sup>2</sup> = 0.896 (at zenith)

#### 4.2 LGS Wavefront Sensor Assumptions

- Telescope + AO system transmission to the LGS WFS = 0.39
- 4x4 pix/subap
- CCID56 (1.6 e<sup>-</sup> RON<sup>3</sup>, 0.80 QE589, dark: 400 cnt/sec, 0.25 pix charge diffusion)
- 50% moon, some fratricide
- All “3+1” LGS wavefront sensors have the same, optimized integration time.
- All PNS LGS wavefront sensors have the same, optimized integration time (different than the “3+1” LGS WFS).
- “3+1” asterism radius should be fixed at the optimal value (likely ~10” radius).
- PNS LGS are movable about a 60” radius field.

#### 4.3 Low Order Wavefront Sensor Assumptions (LOWFS)

- Telescope + AO system transmission to the LOWFS = 0.32
- 2 TT + 1 TTFA
- Single LGS AO - sharpened
- J+H band
- no ADC
- FoR diameter: 120”
- 32 x 32 MEMS DM
- H2RG (4.5e<sup>-</sup> RON, 0.85 QEJ)

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<sup>2</sup> Krisciunas et al., PASP **99**, 887 (1987).

<sup>3</sup> The actual noise model for the CCID56 is  $\text{RON} = 0.0007 * (\text{frame rate}) + 1.0125 \text{ e-}$

#### 4.4 Seeing Conditions

Four seeing assumption cases were defined based on Mauna Kea data:

- Challenging or 37.5<sup>th</sup> percentile –  $r_0 = 14$  cm,  $\theta_0 = 2.15''$
- Median or 50<sup>th</sup> percentile –  $r_0 = 16$  cm,  $\theta_0 = 2.7''$
- Good or 62.5<sup>th</sup> percentile –  $r_0 = 18$  cm,  $\theta_0 = 2.9''$
- Excellent or 87.5<sup>th</sup> percentile –  $r_0 = 22$  cm,  $\theta_0 = 4.0''$

#### 4.5 Science Cases to be Evaluated

The following science cases should be used to evaluate and optimize the NGAO performance.

1. Galaxy assembly & star formation history
2. Nearby Active Galactic Nuclei
3. Measurements of GR effects in the Galactic Center
4. Imaging & characterization of extrasolar planets around nearby stars
5. Multiplicity of minor planets

The primary driver for the first science case is IFU science of small faint objects. In this case we are interested in optimizing and determining ensquared energy.

All four of the other science cases are interested primarily in high Strehl (from the perspective of this analysis). In these cases we are interested in optimizing and determining the high order rms wavefront error and the tip-tilt error.

Sky coverage is important for four of the key science drivers. It would be useful to have some plots of low order (tip-tilt) error versus sky coverage for these cases.

The following table lists the relevant parameters that should be used for the key science drivers.

	<b>Galaxy Assembly</b>	<b>Nearby AGNs</b>	<b>Galactic Center</b>	<b>Exo-planets</b>	<b>Minor Planets</b>
Zenith angle (deg)	30	30	50	30	30
Guide stars	Field stars	Field stars	IRS 7, 9, 12N <sup>4</sup>	Field stars <sup>5</sup>	Field stars
NGS color	M	M	n/a	M	M
Required sky coverage	30%	30%	n/a	30%	30%
Galactic latitude(deg)	30	30	n/a	10	30
Science filter	K	Z	K	H	Z
Max science exposure time (sec)	1800	900	60 (image) 900 (spectra)	300 (TBC)	120

<sup>4</sup> For the record, we note that our analysis of the Galactic Center case does not deal explicitly with the issues of blind mode reconstruction from the 3 specific stars listed here. It should be possible to consider the specific blind mode errors using the TMT sky coverage tools maintained by Lianqi Wang. Due to the great brightness in H-band of IRS7, the tip-tilt error for Gal Center is always quite small.

<sup>5</sup> The assumption for now is that the parent star is not available as a LOWFS reference due to limitations on the ability to share science and LOWFS light.

For the purpose of the Galactic Center analysis the targets in the following table can be used as guide stars. There are many other potential guide stars available as can be seen in the Galactic Center H-band image in the OOCd and Blum et al. (ApJ 470: 864). The offsets in the table are relative to Sgr A\* ( $\alpha = 17^{\text{h}} 45^{\text{m}} 40.045^{\text{s}}$ ,  $\delta = -29^{\circ} 00' 27.9''$ ). Note that these three stars are all variable by more than 1 magnitude, but they are so bright that this should not be a problem.

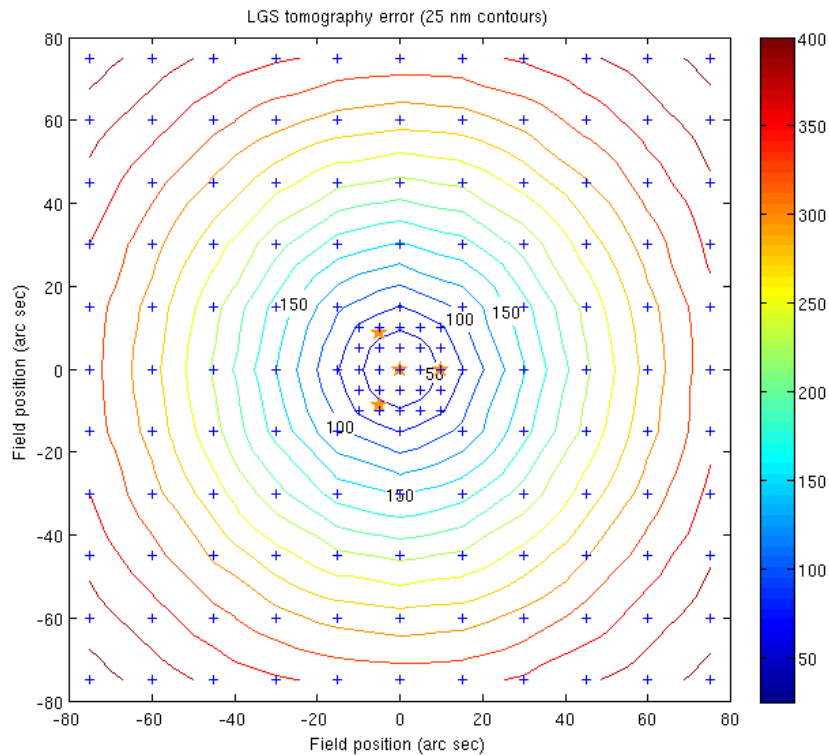
#	IRAS ID	J	H	K	$\Delta\alpha$ from Sgr A* (arcsec)	$\Delta\delta$ from Sgr A* (arcsec)
1	IRS 7	13.8	9.3	6.7	0.04	5.58
2	IRS 9	15.0	11.0	8.5	-3.86	12.91
3	IRS 12N	15.5	11.4	8.6	5.42	12.60

## 5 System Performance

### 5.1 Optimal 3+1 Asterism Radius

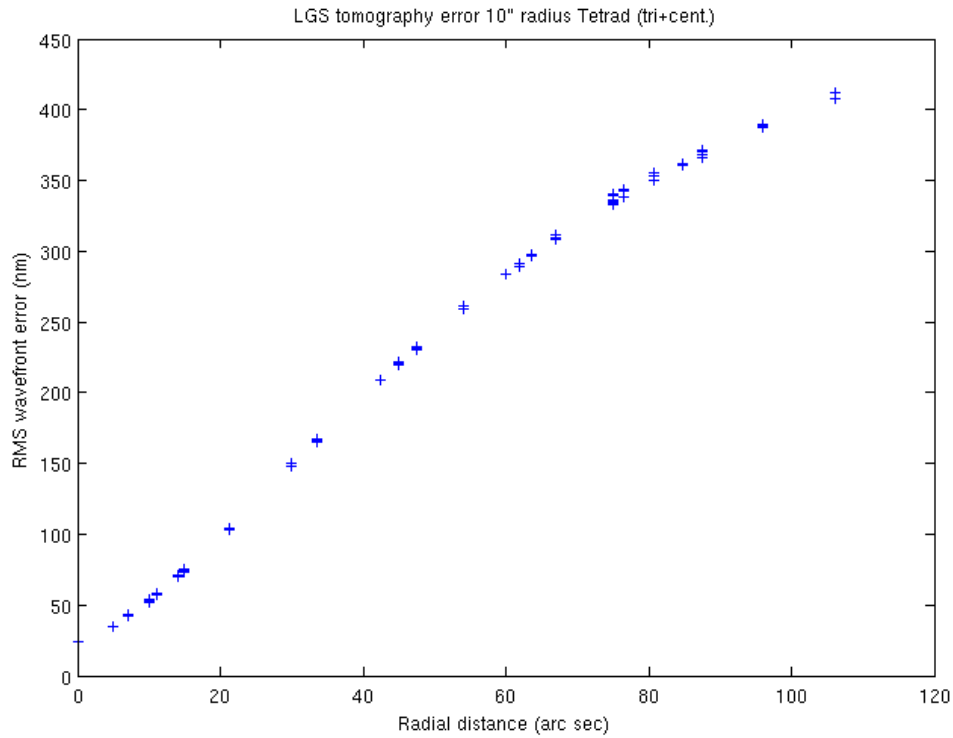
LAOS simulations describing the tomography error term under different asterisms were performed to understand the potential cost savings. Because one of the key build-to-cost decisions made early was to lower the priority of a wide-field deployable integral field spectrograph (d-IFS), we were able to concentrate solely on performing the best tomography on axis. In this way we have been able to separate the problem into the on-axis performance and the required sharpening of the natural low-order wavefront sensor (LOWFS) guide stars.

Through these analyses<sup>6</sup>, we determined that the leading choice of 3+1 science asterism radius is  $10''$ . The evaluation contours of tomography error (alone) for a 10 arcsec-radius 3+1 asterism is shown in Figure 1.



**Figure 1** Tomography error for a  $10''$ -radius 3+1 (or “Tetrad”) asterism.

<sup>6</sup> See [http://www.oir.caltech.edu/twiki\\_oir/bin/view/Keck/NGAO/LGSasterismStudy](http://www.oir.caltech.edu/twiki_oir/bin/view/Keck/NGAO/LGSasterismStudy).

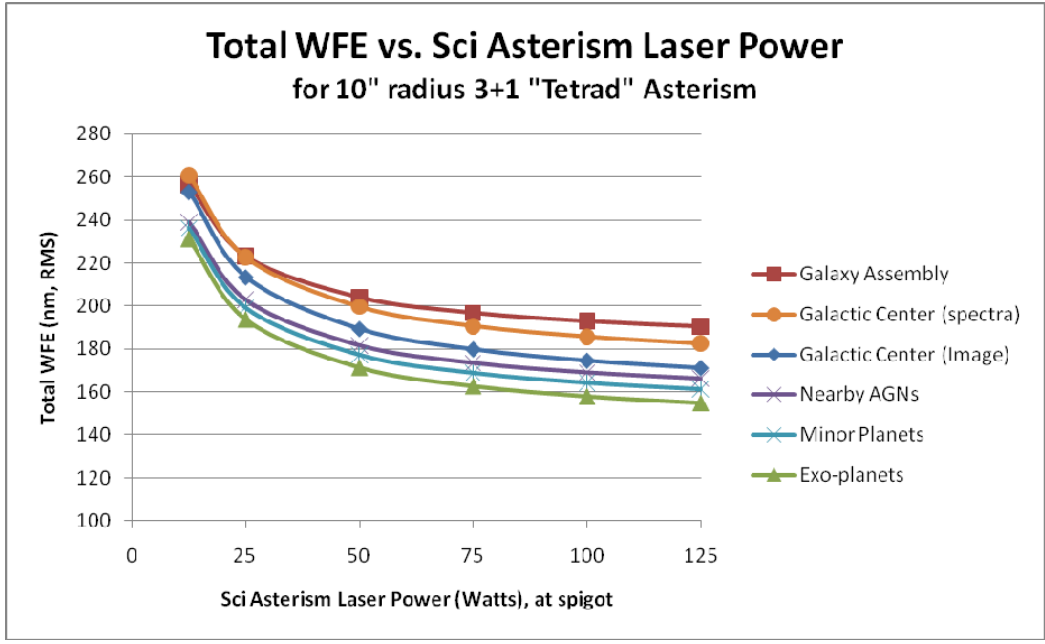


**Figure 2** Tomography error for a 10"-radius 3+1 (or "Tetrad") asterism.

Use of a 10"-radius 3+1 asterism was determined to be better than the next largest radius we studied, 20". Although we cannot conclude at this time that a 10"-radius is better than at 15"-radius, we have proceeded to use a 10"-radius for the remainder of this report and recommend 10" as the baseline radius pending additional analysis of a 15" asterism and other considerations (see Section 5.9 below).

**5.2 Sensitivity to Science Asterism Laser Power for fixed N = 64 subapertures**

In order to understand the sensitivity of science case performance to science asterism laser power, we evaluated the performance of the system, holding the number of subapertures fixed at N=64 across. In the following section, we allow the optimum number of subaperture to vary. The results are shown in Figure 3.



**Figure 3** Residual RMS Wavefront Error (WFE) vs. Science Asterism Laser Power, as measured at the output of the lasers. The new baseline assumes 50W of science asterism power (with 25W of additional 'point and shoot' laser power not contributing to the high-order science wavefront measurement.)

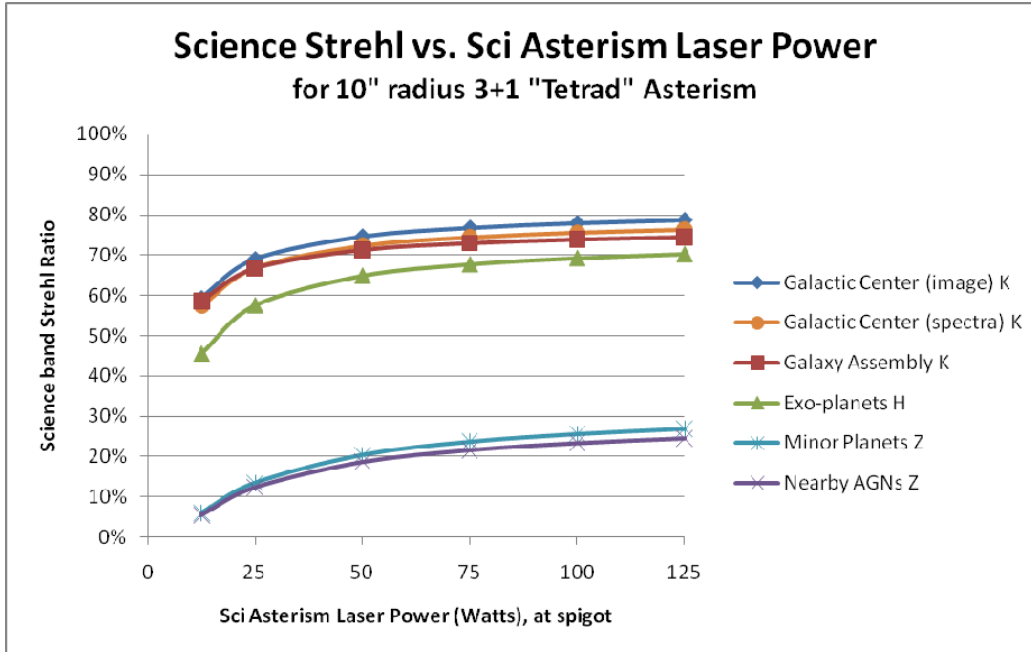
This same curve can be interpreted in two additional ways. First, if our assumption of photo-return from the sodium layer is proven incorrect, the impact can be scaled from these curves directly. Similarly, if the sodium column density in the mesosphere on a given night is not  $3 \times 10^9 \text{ cm}^{-2}$ , the photo-return can be scaled down (or up) depending on prevailing conditions.

The Strehl ratios corresponding to this same data are shown in Figure 4.

### 5.3 Performance vs. Sky Coverage Fraction

The sky coverage fraction and corresponding tip-tilt wavefront error for the key science cases is shown in **Figure 5**. We find that the assumption of independent PnS AO loops on the LOWFS NGS provides excellent performance over large sky fraction.

For 90% sky coverage, at the  $b=30$  degrees galactic latitude assumed here ( $b=10$  for the exoplanet case), a patrol range for the LOWFS of just about  $60''$  was sufficient. We suggest further exploring sky fraction at higher galactic latitude in a separate study, using all the refinements to our tomography, transmission, and WFE budget models, which will also be relevant for the required patrol range (and unvignetted FoV of the 1<sup>st</sup> stage optical relay of NGAO).



**Figure 4** Strehl ratios corresponding to the performance in **Figure 3**, in the science band for each respective key science case.

#### 5.4 Sensitivity to Seeing Conditions

The performance of NGAO will be a function of the ambient natural seeing conditions. The dependency of each respective science case performance metric on Fried parameter,  $r_0$ , is shown in Figure 6. On this curve, median conditions of  $r_0 = 16\text{cm}$  corresponds to approximately 0.6 arcsec FWHM seeing, while  $r_0$  values of 0.08 and 0.22 correspond to  $\sim 1.2$  arcsec and  $\sim 0.45$  arcsec FWHM seeing, respectively.

#### 5.5 Optimum Number of Pupil Subapertures (Average Sodium Column Density)

We explore the NGAO design performance and subsystem flow-down requirements as a function of available laser power put into the fixed 3+1 science asterism in Figure 7.

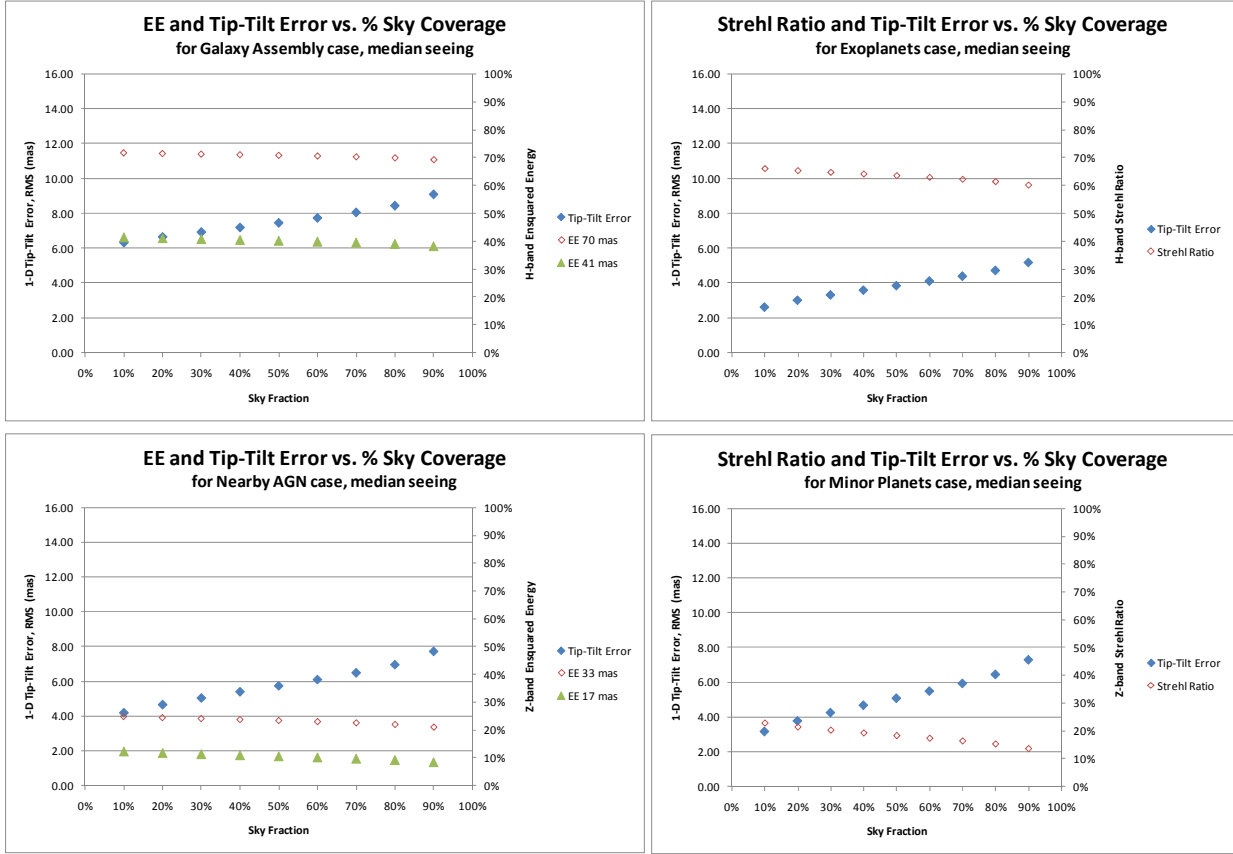
From these results, we see that for our baseline 50W of science asterism laser power, the optimum subaperture sampling for the cases considered is about  $N=56$  for the assumed average sodium abundance of  $3 \times 10^9 \text{ cm}^{-2}$ . However, we note that the penalty of using  $N=64$ , which would be preferred from an analysis of the NGAO high-contrast error budget, not considered here, is quite small for average sodium abundance. This can be seen in Figure 8, where the upper pair of curves indicate the performance from the Galaxy Assembly science case using the optimal number of subapertures and  $N=64$  subapertures. In the regime of 50W of sodium laser power, using the optimal  $N=58$  with optimal HOWFS sample rate of 912 Hz, results in a Strehl ratio less than 1% better than using the non-optimal  $N=64$  with correspondingly optimized HOWFS sample rate of 870 Hz.

#### 5.6 Optimum Number of Pupil Subapertures (Low Sodium Column Density)

If we further investigate the dependency of the optimum number of subapertures under particularly low sodium abundance,  $1 \times 10^9 \text{ cm}^{-2}$ , we find the somewhat different results shown in Figure 8. Given the similar behavior between science cases observed in Figure 7, we only present the results for the Galaxy Assembly science case for clarity.

In this case, the optimum for 50W is seen to be about  $N = 46$ . However, one can further explore what specifically is the penalty of using a fixed pupil sampling, say  $N = 64$ , instead of the optimum sampling, assuming that the HOWFS frame rate can be changed to reoptimized in every case. The results of just this

comparison are shown in **Figure 9**. We see that the penalty of using a fixed  $N = 64$  subaperture sampling is quite small, even under conditions of low sodium abundance.

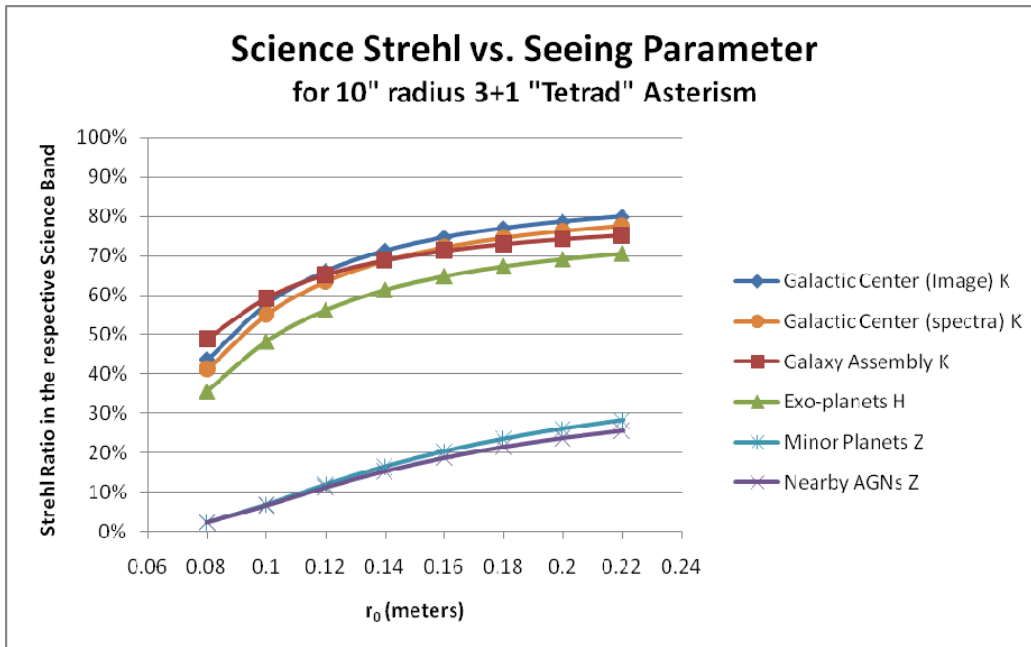


**Figure 5** Science performance metrics for various sky coverage fractions with NGAO.

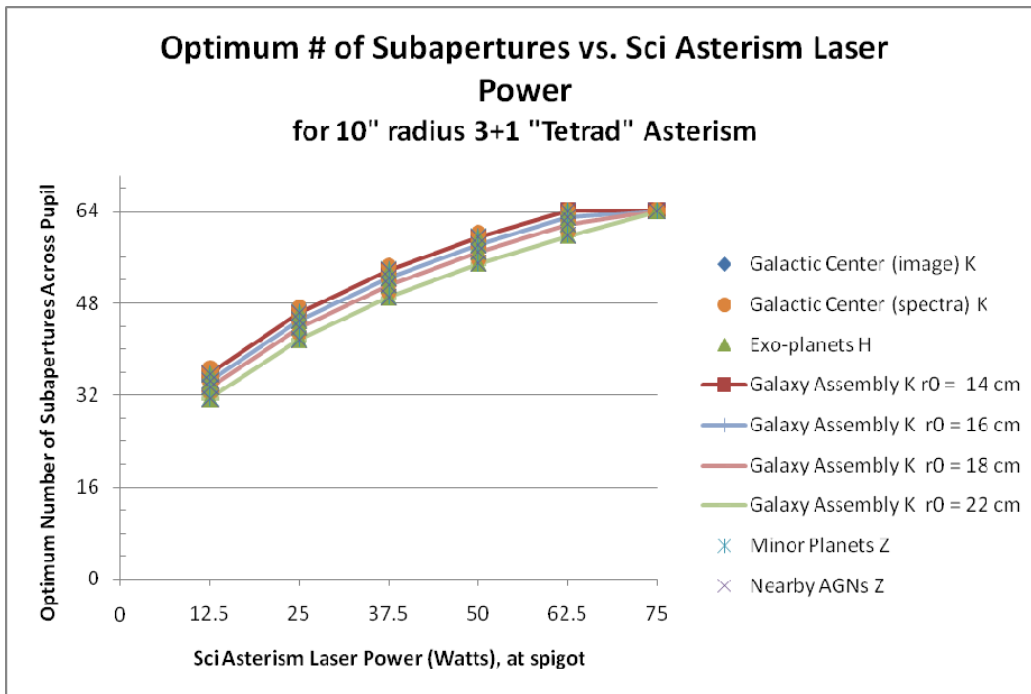
We conclude, therefore, that the optimum for number of subapertures across the pupil is quite shallow in the vicinity of our baseline architecture. This alone, however, is probably not sufficient argument to baseline only a single lenslet sampling in the HOWFS. For example, under conditions of light cirrus clouds, the photoreturn could be degraded further than considered here, in which case larger than 17cm ( $N=64$ ) subapertures would likely be important to maintaining performance.

By similar argument, the performance penalty incurred by utilizing, say  $N = 56$  subapertures, under conditions having optimal sampling of  $N = 64$ , is likely to be quite small. (Note, independent of the pupil sampling, having  $N = 64$  actuators across the 2<sup>nd</sup> stage DM definitely benefits performance if we assume that all actuators can be used to compensate for static high-spatial-frequency wavefront errors.)

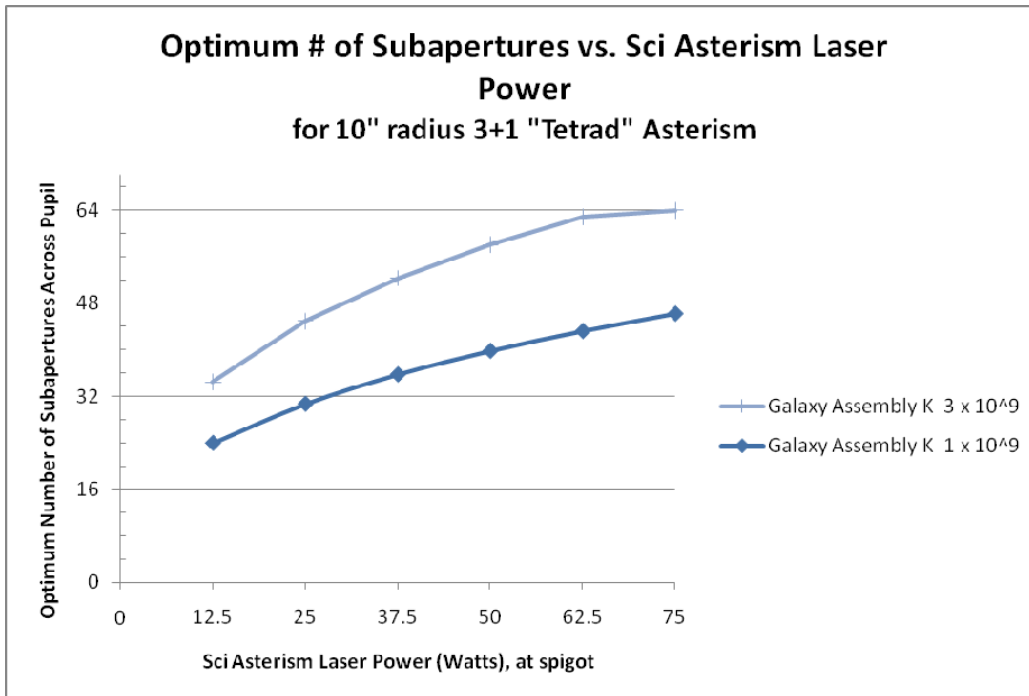




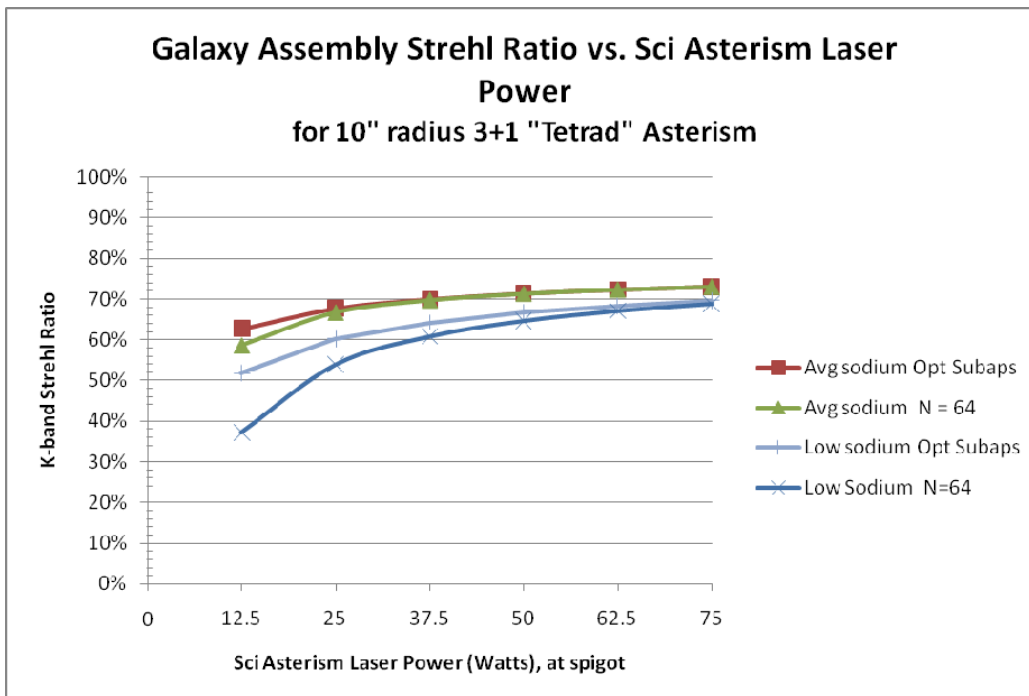
**Figure 6** Science performance metrics for various seeing conditions.



**Figure 7** Optimum number of subapertures across the telescope pupil (10.949 m), for a variety of science cases. (Note the change in laser power scale compared to **Figure 3**.) Also shown here are optimal subaperture curves for the Galaxy Assembly case under 4 different seeing conditions (values of  $r_0$ ).



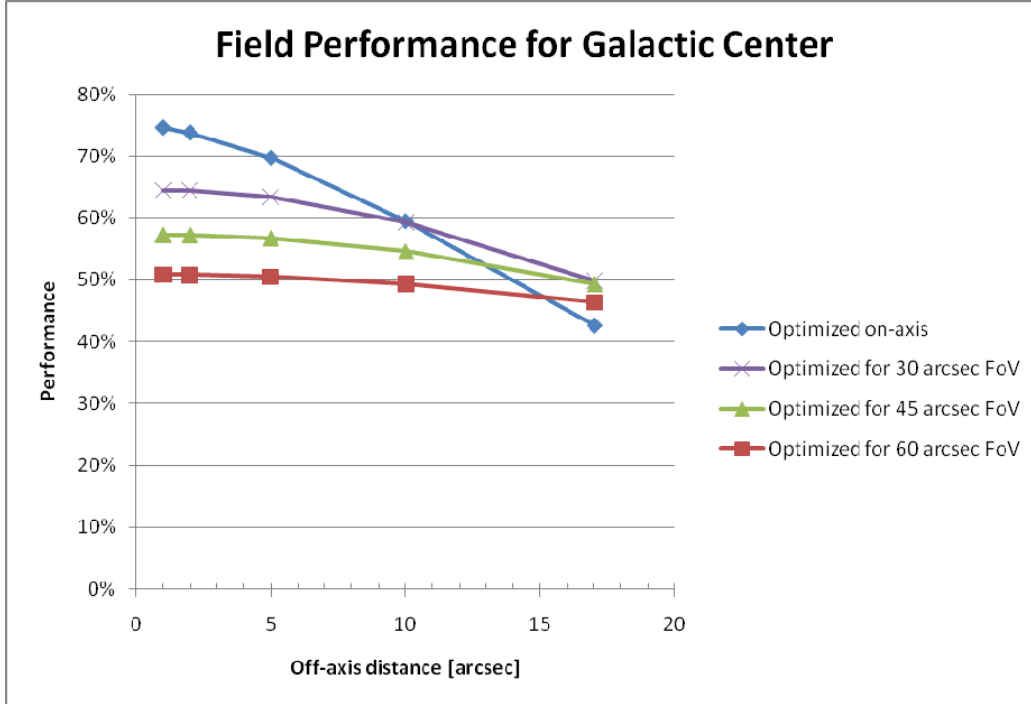
**Figure 8** Optimum number of subapertures across the telescope pupil (10.949m), under average and low sodium column density conditions in median seeing conditions.



**Figure 9** Strehl ratio for optimum and fixed number of subapertures for average and low sodium column density conditions. For our baseline 50W science asterism system, the error in K-band Strehl is always < 2%.

### 5.7 Anisoplanatism Across the Galactic Center Field of View

Using the assumptions described here, we have also analyzed the field performance for the Galactic Center science case, as shown in **Figure 10**. With the NGAO MOAO science path architecture, the best performance is typically applied to the center of the science field, with natural anisoplanatic fall-off for any finite off-axis distance.

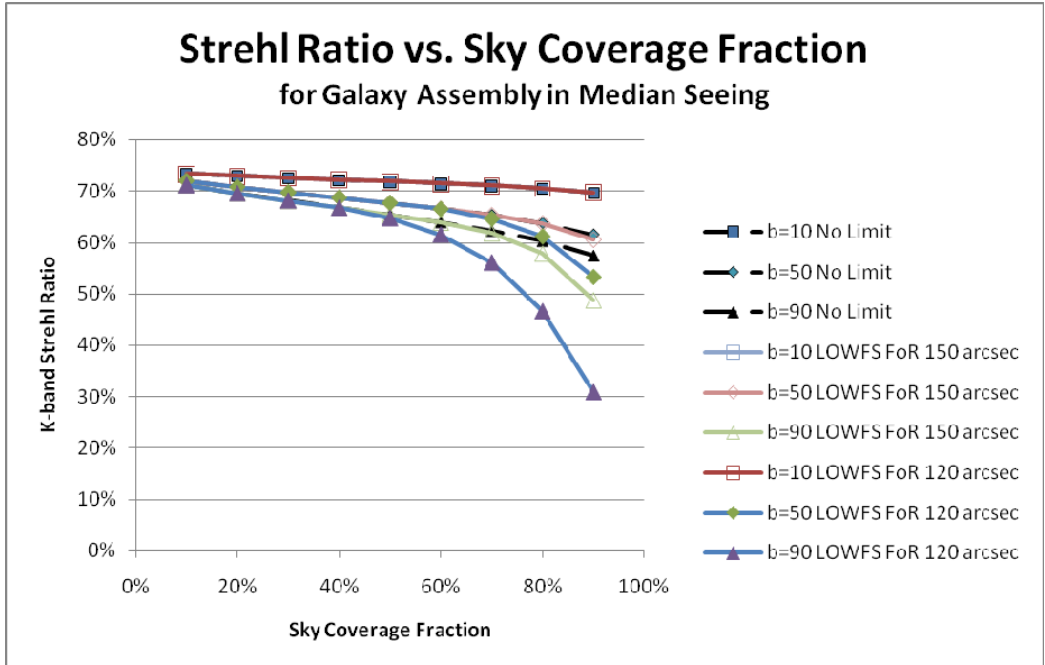


**Figure 10** Strehl ratio vs. off-axis position for the Galactic Center science case, for MOAO control laws that optimize the correction for different fields of view. The correction on-axis can be traded off against better correction at the edge of the FoV. (The data here follow the single DM generalized anisoplanatism term shown in KAON 452.)

### 5.8 Low-order Wavefront Sensor Patrol Range

In regions of lower natural guide star density, e.g. toward the galactic pole, we must use low-order wavefront sensor (LOWFS) stars that are increasingly off-axis in order to optimize NGAO performance. For the best performance over the largest sky fraction, we find that patrol fields of regard (FoR) of as large as  $\sim 200''$  would be formally required. However, given the cost savings of reducing the unvignetted field of view of the NGAO optical relay, it is appropriate to ask what is the impact of restricting the LOWFS FoR on a typical science case.

We considered the impact of restricting the LOWFS FoR for the Galaxy Assembly science case to either  $150''$  diameter or  $120''$  diameter. We chose to evaluate the impact on K-band Strehl ratio as a function of desired sky coverage fraction (which might typically be determined by the nature of the specific survey undertaken), at galactic latitudes of  $b = 10$  deg,  $b = 50$  deg, and  $b = 90$  deg. The results are shown in **Figure 10**.



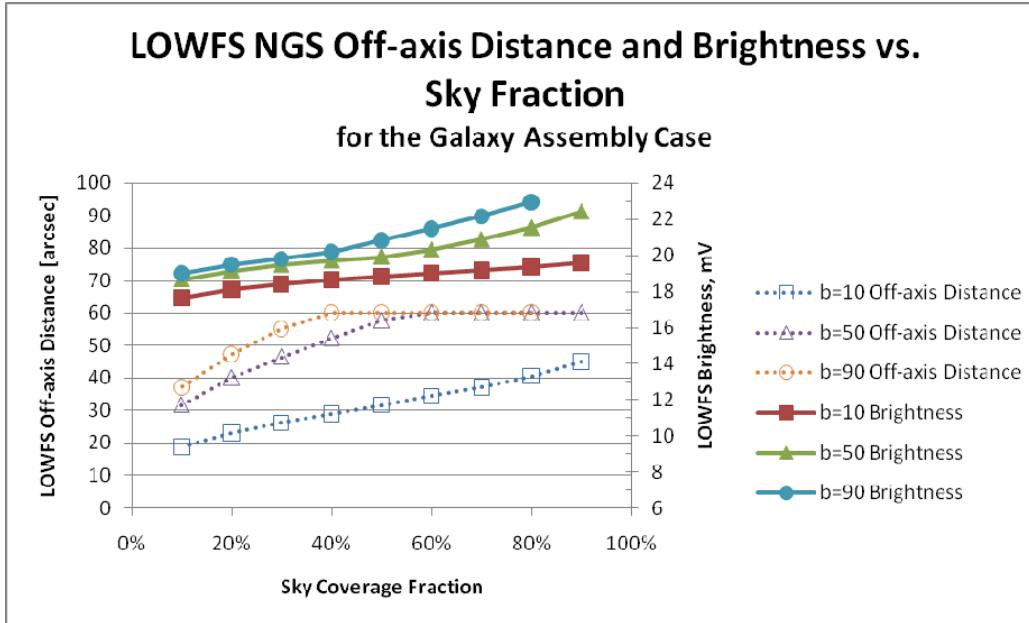
**Figure 11** Performance impact of restricting the low-order wavefront sensor (LOWFS) patrol field of regard (FoR) for the Galaxy Assembly science case at different galactic latitudes,  $b$ .

We see that for the case of low galactic latitude ( $b=10$  degrees), there is no penalty at all restricting the LOWFS FoR to either 150" or 120" (all curves with 'box' markers overlap near the top of **Figure 10**.) In fact, the shallow degradation in performance for any required sky fraction indicates that for  $b=10$  there are plenty of field stars for NGAO to utilize.

For the case of  $b=50$  degrees (shown on the curve with 'diamond' markers), the impact of 150" FoR is barely discernable, while that of 120" FoR amounts to a few % Strehl loss, starting above 70% sky fraction.

At the galactic pole,  $b = 90$  degrees, the impact of restricting the FoR is greater. For 150" FoR, the impact can be as large as 10% Strehl reduction at high sky fraction, while for 120" FoR the impact can be a dramatic 30% reduction in K-Strehl. In both cases, the divergence from the performance of an unrestricted FoR begins at about 50% sky fraction.

The actual LOWFS NGS brightness and off-axis distance determined, statistically, using our Spagna infrared star brightness models is for the Galaxy Assembly case and a 120" LOWFS FoR limit is shown in **Figure 12**. For  $b=10$ , sky coverage can be increased through modest parallel increases in brightness and off-axis distance, never exceeding  $mV = 20$  and about 45 arcsec off-axis. For  $b=50$  and  $b=90$ , however, the limit of patrol range causes the brightness of available stars to fall more rapidly.



**Figure 12** LOWFS NGS brightness and off-axis distance as a function of sky coverage fraction for the Galaxy Assembly science case. The off-axis distance here is limited to 60” corresponding to a (vignetting-limited) LOWFS FoR of 120” diameter. For this analysis we limit our brightest at mV = 23 and do not consider the challenges associated with acquiring such a sharpened LOWFS NGS.

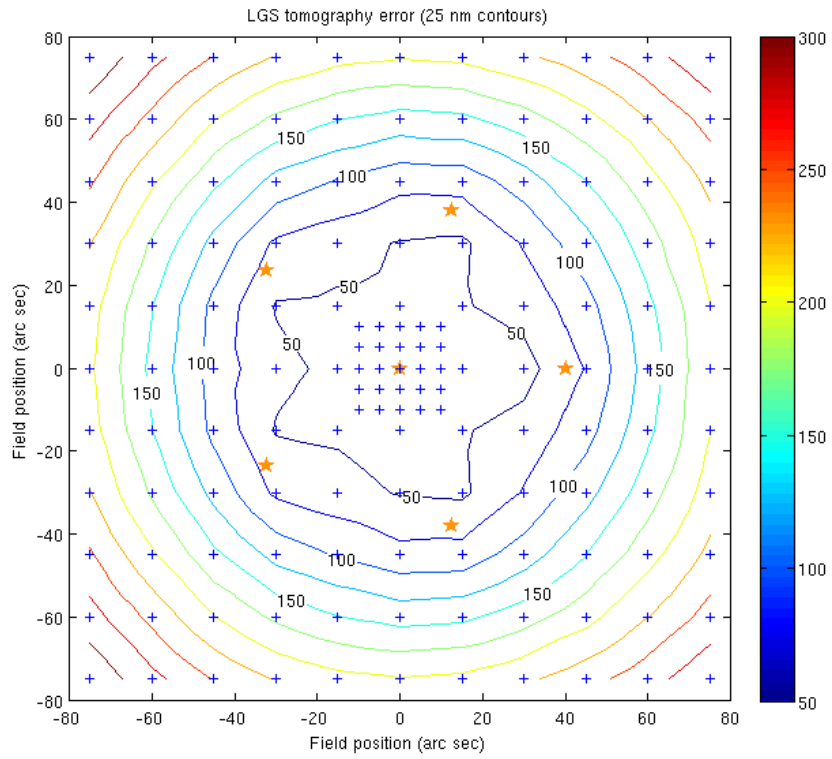
Although this analysis is somewhat biased by the choice of K-Strehl as a metric (which is generally more forgiving of residual tip-tilt errors than shorter wavelength metrics) it still seems to us that the benefit of cost savings from requiring only a 120” unvignetted field of view through the NGAO first stage relay outweighs the potential impact on performance. In other words, it is only at high galactic latitude and high required sky coverage fraction, where performance will be substantially degraded. As none of our key science drivers has imposed these conditions upon NGAO, we shall proceed with the 120” field of view requirement.

### 5.9 Alternative 5+1 Asterism

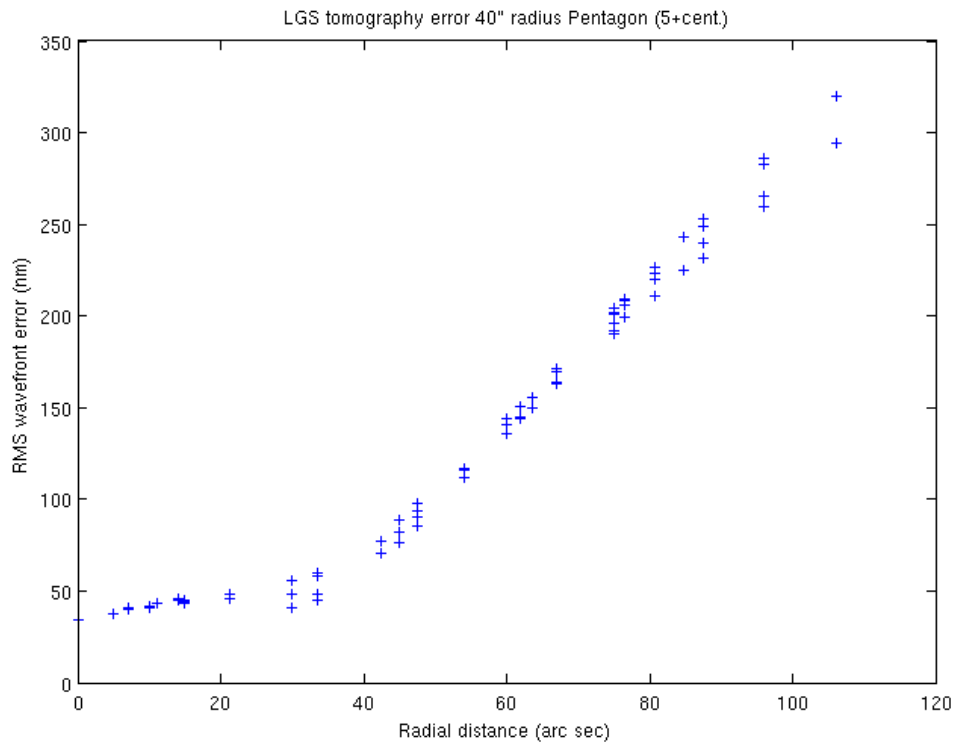
A different approach to sharpening of our low-order wavefront sensor (LOWFS) natural guide stars (NGS) is the use of an entirely fixed, larger-radius diameter LGS asterism. If comparable in performance, this approach would have the benefit of foregoing the complexity of the patrolling ‘point and shoot’ LGS systems, saving mechanisms both on the uplink laser system and the selection of LGS by the HOWFS. Without the point and shoot subsystems to provide wavefront information in the direction of the LOWFS NGS, however, one has to rely upon MOAO correction using wavefronts estimated from the science asterism alone. This forces the science asterism to open to larger radius than would otherwise be required.

This approach furthermore trades off the potential benefit of utilizing all 75W of available sodium laser power in the calculation of the on-axis science correction with the increase in tomography error arising from use of a wider-distributed science asterism.

We investigated the tomography error performance of asterisms having one central LGS and 5 additional LGS on a regular pentagon of different radii, looking for the best trade between on-axis (science direction) tomography error and off-axis (MOAO-corrected LOWFS) tomography error. The best of these appears to be for a 40”-radius 5+1 asterism. The corresponding tomography error contour map is shown in **Figure 13** with the same data in radial plot format in **Figure 14**. We find that the on-axis tomography error of the 40” 5+1 asterism is about 36 nm RMS, while that of the 10” 3+1 asterism is ~23nm RMS. Although relatively small in the context of the overall wavefront error budget, this difference results in the on-axis science performance to be slightly better for the 10” 3+1 asterism using point and shoot sharpening.

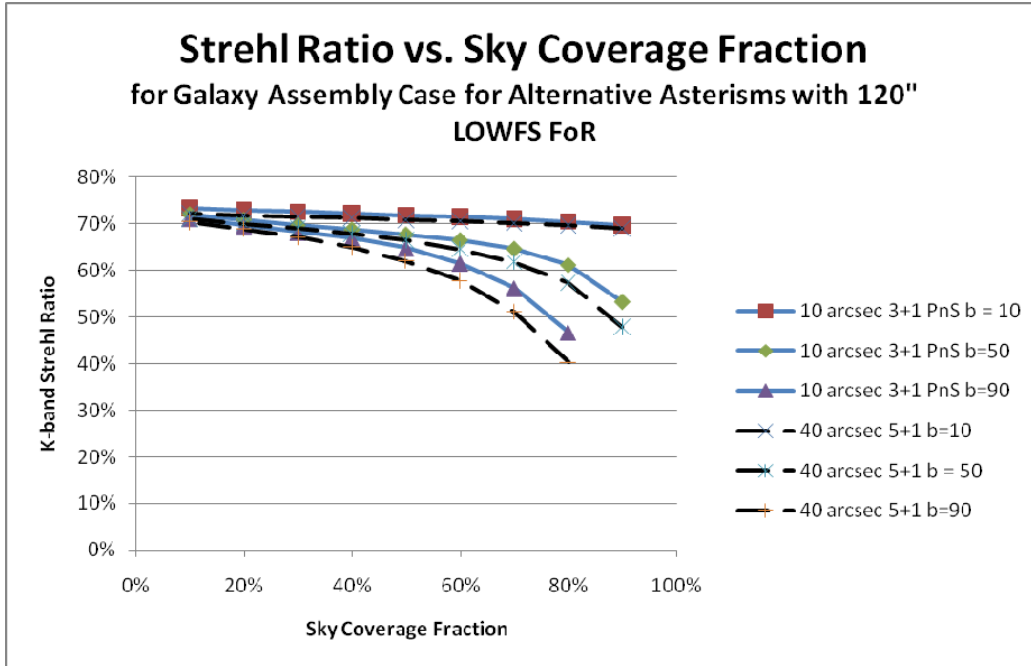


**Figure 13** Tomography error for a 40''-radius 5+1 asterism.



**Figure 14** Tomography error for a 40''-radius 5+1 asterism.

In terms of LOWFS NGS sharpening, the determination of which of the fixed 40" 5+1 asterism or the 10" 3+1 asterism with point and shoot provides better correction is a function of the typical off-axis distance of the LOWFS NGS, which in turn depends on the required sky coverage fraction and galactic latitude. The effect of this can be seen in **Figure 15**.

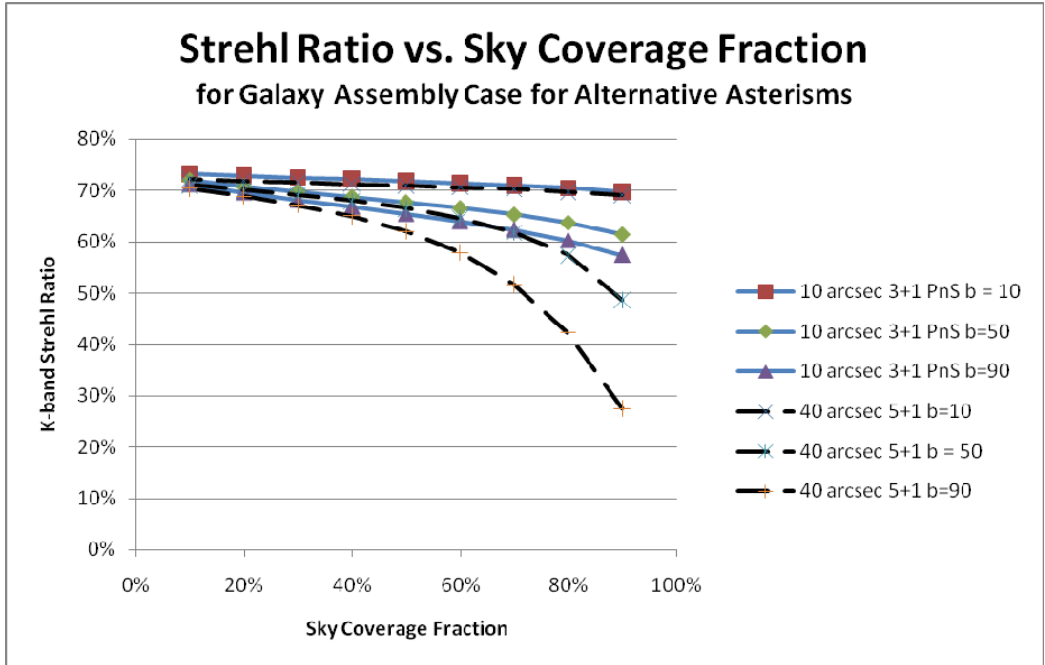


**Figure 15** Performance comparison of an alternative fixed 5+1 laser asterism on 40" radius and a fixed 3+1 laser asterism on 10" radius, with the addition of 3 patrolling 'point and shoot' laser guide stars running independent LGS AO loops for the purpose of low-order wavefront sensor natural guide star sharpening. This data is for a 120" LOWFS FoR and LOWFS mV limit of 23 (and thus sky fraction above 80% is not possible to obtain at the galactic pole.)

We see that for low galactic latitude ( $b = 10$  degrees) the Galaxy Assembly case K-band Strehl ratio is not limited by the residual tip-tilt error, so that the benefit of the lower LOWFS tomography error for the 40" 5+1 asterism does not overcome the small on-axis science tomography benefit of the 10" 3+1 asterism with point and shoot. As the LOWFS NGS move further off-axis (for higher sky fraction), the advantage of lower 5+1 tomography error begins to compensate some of the on-axis tomography degradation, but never seems to quite overcome it. At large off-axis LOWFS distance (particularly when compared to the 40" 5+1 asterism radius), the LOWFS MOAO tomography error grows, so that in none of the cases considered here does the 40" 5+1 asterism outperform the 10" 3+1 asterism with PnS. (Whether the loss of performance shown here is acceptable to realize the cost savings of the fixed 5+1 asterism will not be considered here.)

A similar plot, without the limitation of 120" LOWFS FoR, showing the stronger benefit for the point and shoot concept at high galactic latitude and sky fraction is shown in

**Figure 16**. In this case, the rapid increase in MOAO tomography error for far-off-axis LOWFS NGS with the 40" 5+1 asterism leads to an even more distinct advantage for the PnS system.



**Figure 16** Performance comparison of an alternative fixed 5+1 laser asterism on 40" radius and a fixed 3+1 laser asterism on 10" radius, with the addition of 3 patrolling 'point and shoot' laser guide stars running independent LGS AO loops for the purpose of low-order wavefront sensor natural guide star sharpening. Here LOWFS NGS are selected as necessary to strictly satisfy the sky coverage fraction indicated with a brightness limit of  $mV = 23$  (e.g. NGS up to about 100" off-axis, where the 5+1 asterism MOAO LOWFS tomography error greatly exceeds the focal anisoplanatism error of the point and shoot AO systems.)

These analyses assumed completely independent PnS AO systems. Of course, at the cost of additional computing complexity, the PnS approach allows the option of integrating wavefront information from both the science asterism *and* the point and shoot LGS tomographically to provide even better NGS sharpening. We suggest this be the basis for a separate trade study in conjunction with the RTC design team.

## 6 Example Output from WFE Budget Tool

For reference, we include three portions of the v1.43 WFE Budget Tool that was used for this analysis. Note, certain functionality, notably detailed Truth WFS photometry (and error budget) is not yet implemented.



<b>Model</b>			
AO System	NGAO LGS	HO Error	162
Sci. Case	Exo Jap LGS	TT Angular Error	3.3
Sci. Instr.	TBD	Total Effective Error	171

Worksheet	Parameter	Current Parameter Value	Units	Global Parameters						
				Gal Cen	Gal Cen Spectra	Exo Jun LGS	KBO	Galaxy Assembly	Nearby AGN	NGAO LGS
Telescope	Name	Keck								
Atm	Dec			-30	-30		-12			20
	Zenith angle	30.0	deg	Dec	Dec	30	Dec	30	30	
	Cn2(h) model	Mauna Kea Ridge								Mauna Kea Ridge
	r0	0.160	m							0.160
	Wind speed	9.5	m/s							9.5
HO Flux	Outer scale	50	m							50
	Guide star spectral type	LGS	(NGS/LGS)	LGS	LGS	LGS	LGS	LGS	LGS	
	Guide star brightness	LGS	mV							
	HOWFS NGS color	LGS								
	Num LGS subaps	64								64
	Num NGS subaps	0								
	HO Integration time	0.00115	sec							
LGS Flux	HOWFS detector	CCID56								CCID56
	Na column density	3E+09	atoms/cm^2		3E+09					
	Pulse format	CW								CW
	Laser power	50.00	Watts							50.0
	Return source	Measured	(Measured/Theoretical)	Measured						
HO Cent	Laser-thru-LLT projection transmission	0.75								0.75
	Num pix per subap	4								4
	Pixel IFoV	1.6	arcsec							1.6
	Range Gating?	NO								NO
	Intrinsic HOWFS GS diameter	0.0	arcsec		LGS	LGS	LGS	LGS	LGS	0.0
	Perfect uplink AO?	NO								NO
	Aberrations in uplink	0.9	arcsec							0.90
	LLT off-axis distance	0.0	m							0.0
	Use max LGS elongation?	NO			NO					
	AO system aberrations	0.25	arcsec							0.25
	Charge diffusion	0.25	pixels							0.25
	ADC in HOWFS?	NO								NO
FA Tomo	Number of laser beacons	4								4
	LGS beacon height (km) above telescope	90.00								90
	LGS asterism radius	0.17	arcmin							
Na H	Single laser backproj FA reduction factor	0.8								0.8
Fit	Max vertical velocity of Na layer	30.0	m/s		30.0					
Alias	Physical actuator pitch	0.0035	m							0.004
	Use anti-aliasing in HOWFS?	NO								NO
Stroke	Aliasing reduction factor	0.67			0.67					
	Number of Woofer actuators across the pupil	64								64
	Number of Tweeter actuators across the pupil	0								0
	Woofer PV stroke	4.0	microns							4.0
	Tweeter PV stroke	0.0	microns							0.0
	Available Woofer interactor stroke	1.0	microns							1.0
	Available Tweeter interactor stroke	0.0	microns							0.0
	Woofer conjugate height	0.0	meters							0.0
	Tweeter conjugate height	0.0	meters							0.0
	Static surface errors to be corrected	0.7	microns							0.7
Go-To	Science Mode	MOAO	(SCAO/MOAO/MCAO)							MOAO
Dig	Number of controller bits	16	bits							16
TT Flux	TT Guide star brightness	18.42	mV		12.20	12.20				
	TT NGS color	M		IRS7	IRS7	M	M	M	M	
	Subaperture type	circular	(circular/square)	circular						
	Num TT used for tip/tilt	2								2
	Num TFA used for tip/tilt	1								1
	Num 3x3 used for tip/tilt	0								0
	Num HOWFS used for tip/tilt	0								0
	TT Integration Time	0.0041	sec							
	TT compensation mode	Indep PnS	(SCAO/MOAO/MCAO/MOAO Point and Shoot, Indep PnS)							MOAO Point and Shoot
TT Meas	TT detector	H2RG								H2RG
	Sensor type	SH	(Pyramid/SH)							SH
	Is TT star sharpened by AO?	YES								YES
	Assume Ferminia TT sharpening	NO			NO					
	ADC in TT sensor?	NO								NO
	Num pix per subap	2								2
	Binning factor	1								1
	Pixel IFoV (for background calc)	0.02	arcsec							0.015
	Intrinsic TT GS diameter	0.0	arcsec		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00
TWFS Flux	TWFS Guide star brightness	10.00	mV		12.2	12.2	13.0			
	TWFS NGS color	M		IRS7	IRS7	M	M	M	M	
	Number of TWFS subaps per pupil	5								5
	Integration Time	10.0000	sec							
	TWFS compensation mode	SCAO	(SCAO/MOAO/MCAO)							SCAO
Bandwidth	TWFS detector	CCID56								CCID56
	Kappa	1.0								1.0
	HO servo declination factor	20								20
	TT servo declination factor	20								20
	Telescope input tip/tilt reduction	0.25								0.3
	LGS Focus Sensor	TWFS	(TWFS/TT)							TWFS
	TWFS Integration Time	0.5	sec							0.500
Aniso	Optimize LGS off-pointing	NO			NO					
	HO GS to Target for Sci Aniso WFE	1.00	arcsec		1.0	2.0	1.0	0	1	1
	HO GS to TT GS for TT Aniso WFE	25.27	arcsec		5.6	5.6				
	TT GS to Target (for TT Anisoplanatism)	26.27	arcsec		5.6	5.6				
	TWFS GS to Target (for Truth Anisoplanatism)	25.00	arcsec		5.6	5.6				
CA	CA rejection factor	10.00								10
Atm Dispersion	Sci dispersion correction (ADC)?	YES								YES
	Correction factor	20			20					
Cal	Instrument	TBD			TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
	Uncorrectable AO system aberrations	30	nm							30
	Dynamic WFS Zero-point Calibration Error	40	nm							40
	Leaky Integrator Zero-point Calibration Error	15	nm							15
	DM-to-pupil misregistration error	25	nm							25
	DM-to-lenslet pupil scale error	15	nm							15
Sky Coverage	TT Star density model	Spagna			Spagna					
	Required sky coverage fraction	30%			N/A	N/A	30%	30%	30%	30%
	TWFS Star density model	Bachall			Bachall					
	Required TWFS sky coverage fraction	30%								
	Galactic latitude (b in deg)	10			0	0	10	30	30	30
Science Filter	Science Filter	H			K	K	H	Z	K	Z
	Max Sci Exp Time (sec)	300			60	900	300	120	1800	900

Figure 17 WFE budget tool v1.44 Input Summary Sheet for these analyses.

**Keck Wavefront Error Budget Summary**

Version 1.44

Mode: **NGAO LGS**  
 Instrument: **TBD**  
 Sci. Observation: **Exo Jup LGS**

	Science Band								
	u'	g'	r'	i'	Z	Y	J	H	K
$\lambda$ ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	0.36	0.47	0.62	0.75	0.88	1.03	1.25	1.64	2.20
$\delta\lambda$ ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	0.06	0.14	0.14	0.15	0.12	0.12	0.16	0.29	0.34
$\lambda/D$ (mas)	6.7	8.8	11.6	14.1	16.6	19.4	23.5	30.8	41.4

Science High-order Errors (LGS Mode)	Wavefront Error (rms)	Parameter	Strehl Ratio (%)									
Atmospheric Fitting Error	48 nm	64 Subaps										
Bandwidth Error	59 nm	<b>43 Hz (-3db)</b>										
High-order Measurement Error	77 nm	50 W										
LGS Tomography Error	37 nm	<b>4 sci beacon(s)</b>										
Asterism Deformation Error	22 nm	0.50 m LLT										
Chromatic Error	2 nm	Upper limit										
Dispersion Displacement Error	2 nm	Estimate										
Multispectral Error	25 nm	30 zen; sci wav										
Scintillation Error	20 nm	0.34 <b>Scint index, J-band</b>										
WFS Scintillation Error	<b>10 nm</b>	Alloc										
Uncorrectable Static Telescope Aberrations	121 nm	43 nm										
Uncorrectable Dynamic Telescope Aberrations	40 nm	64 Acts										
Static WFS Zero-point Calibration Error	25 nm	Dekens Ph.D										
Dynamic WFS Zero-point Calibration Error	40 nm	Alloc										
Leaky Integrator Zero-point Calibration Error	15 nm	Alloc										
Stale Reconstructor Error	15 nm	Alloc										
Go-to Control Errors	38 nm	Alloc										
Residual Na Layer Focus Change	34 nm	30 m/s Na layer vel										
DM Finite Stroke Errors	0 nm	4.0 um P-P stroke										
DM Hysteresis	13 nm	from TMT model										
High-Order Aliasing Error	16 nm	64 Subaps										
DM Drive Digitalization	1 nm	16 bits										
Uncorrectable AO System Aberrations	30 nm	Alloc										
Uncorrectable Instrument Aberrations	30 nm	TBD Instrument										
DM-to-lenslet Misregistration	15 nm	Alloc										
DM-to-lenslet Pupil Scale Error	107 nm	15 nm										
Angular Anisoplanatism Error	16 nm	1.0 arcsec										
<b>Total High Order Wavefront Error</b>	161 nm	<b>162 nm</b>	<b>High Order Strehl</b>	0.00	0.01	0.07	0.16	0.27	0.39	0.52	0.69	0.81

Science Tip/Tilt Errors	Angular Error (rms)	Equivalent WFE (rms)	Parameter	Strehl ratios (%)								
Sci Filter												
Tilt Measurement Error (one-axis)	1.46 mas	25 nm	18.4 mag (mV)									
Tilt Bandwidth Error (one-axis)	1.30 mas	22 nm	10.9 Hz (-3db)									
Tilt Anisoplanatism Error (one-axis)	2.18 mas	37 nm	<b>26.3 arcsec from sci</b>									
Residual Centroid Anisoplanatism	1.10 mas	19 nm	10 x reduction									
Residual Atmospheric Dispersion	0.26 mas	5 nm	20 x reduction									
Induced Plate Scale Deformations	0.00 mas	0 nm	0 m corrj height									
Science Instrument Mechanical Drift	0.42 mas	7 nm	Alloc 5 mas / hr									
Long Exposure Field Rotation Errors	0.83 mas	14 nm	Alloc 10 mas / hr									
Residual Telescope Pointing Jitter (one-axis)	0.49 mas	8 nm	29 Hz input disturbance									
<b>Total Tip/Tilt Error (one-axis)</b>	<b>3.3 mas</b>	61 nm	<b>Tip/Tilt Strehl</b>	0.45	0.59	0.71	0.79	0.84	0.87	0.91	0.95	0.97

<b>Total Effective Wavefront Error</b>	<b>171 nm</b>	<b>Total Strehl (%)</b>	0.00	0.00	0.05	0.13	0.23	0.34	0.48	0.65	0.79
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<b>FWHM (mas)</b>	7.5	9.4	12.1	14.5	16.9	19.7	23.8	31.0	41.6
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		Spaxel / Aperture Diameter (mas)										
		31	62	50	70	90	180	240	480	1100		36
<b>Ensquared Energy</b>	H	Square	0.37	0.65	0.59	0.68	0.69	0.72	0.74	0.80	0.85	0.50

<b>Sky Coverage</b>	Galactic Lat.	10 deg
<b>Corresponding Sky Coverage</b>	<b>30.0%</b>	This fraction of sky can be corrected to the Total Effective WFE shown

Assumptions / Parameters											
r0	0.147 m	at this zenith	Wind Speed	11.0 m/s	LGS power	50 W at laser(s)	Excitation (all LGS 90km)	2478 ph/cm <sup>2</sup> /sec			
Theta0_eff	2.14 arcsec	at this zenith	Outer Scale	75 m	Zenith Angle	30 deg					
Sodium Abund.	3 x 10 <sup>9</sup>	atoms/cm <sup>2</sup>	LGS Ast. Rad	0.17 arcmin	HO WFS Rate	870 Hz	SH	using	CID56		
Science AO Mode:	MOAO		HOWFS Tran:	0.35	HO WFS Noise	1.6 e- rms					
LOWFS AO Mode:	Indep PnS				HOWFS anti-aliasing	NO					
LOWFS Star Type:	M	Num TT 2	Num 3x3	0	HOWFS transmission	0.35					
Max Exposure Time	300 sec	Num TTFA 1	Num HOWFS 0		LO WFS rate	243 Hz	SH	using	H2RG		
Max mechanical tip/tilt rejection bandwidth			100 Hz		LO WFS Noise	4.5 e- rms					
					LOWFS transmission	0.32					

**Figure 18** Example science WFE budget for the Exoplanets Case.

Keck LOWFS Wavefront Error Budget Summary Version 1.44

Mode: NGAO LGS  
 Instrument: TBD  
 Sci. Observation: Exo Jup LGS

		Science Band								
		u'	g'	r'	i'	Z	Y	J	H	K
$\lambda$ ( $\mu\text{m}$ )		0.36	0.47	0.62	0.75	0.88	1.03	1.25	1.64	2.20
$\delta\lambda$ ( $\mu\text{m}$ )		0.06	0.14	0.14	0.15	0.12	0.12	0.16	0.29	0.34
$\lambda/D$ (mas)		7	10	13	15	18	21	26	34	46

LOWFS High-order Errors ( Mode)	26.3 arcsec off-axis	Wavefront Error (rms)	Parameter	Strehl Ratio (%)										
Atmospheric Fitting Error		85 nm	32 Acts Across											
Bandwidth Error		59 nm	43 Hz (-3db)											
High-order Measurement Error		75 nm	8.3 W											
LGS Tomography Error		150 nm	SCAO											
Asterism Deformation Error		22 nm	0.50 m LLT											
Chromatic Error		2 nm	Upper limit											
Dispersion Displacement Error		2 nm	Estimate for IR TT											
Multispectral Error		25 nm	30 zen: flux-wght wav											
Scintillation Error		20 nm	0.34 Scint index, J-band											
WFS Scintillation Error		10 nm	Alloc											
Uncorrectable Static Telescope Aberrations	201 nm	59 nm	32 Acts Across											
Uncorrectable Dynamic Telescope Aberrations		40 nm												
Static WFS Zero-point Calibration Error		25 nm	Alloc											
Dynamic WFS Zero-point Calibration Error		40 nm	Alloc											
Leaky Integrator Zero-point Calibration Error		15 nm	Alloc											
Stare Reconstructor Error		15 nm	Alloc											
Go-to Control Errors		0 nm	Alloc											
Residual Na Layer Focus Change		34 nm	30 m/s Na layer vel											
DM Finite Stroke Errors		15 nm	1.5 um P-P MEMS strok											
DM Hysteresis		2 nm	from LAO											
High-Order Aliasing Error		16 nm	64 Subaps											
DM Drive Digitization		1 nm	16 bits											
Uncorrectable AO System Aberrations		53 nm	Alloc											
Uncorrectable Instrument Aberrations		30 nm	TBD Indep PnS											
DM-to-lenslet Misregistration		15 nm	Alloc											
DM-to-lenslet Pupil Scale Error		15 nm	Alloc											
Angular Anisoplanatism Error	117 nm	0 nm	25.27 arcsec											
<b>Total High Order Wavefront Error</b>	232 nm	<b>232 nm</b>	<b>High Order Strehl</b>	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.02	0.07	0.14	0.26	0.46	0.65		
<b>Assumptions / Parameters</b>														
r0	0.147 m	at this zenith	Effective PnS GS radius	0.27 arcmin	LGS power	8.3 W at laser(s)	LGS return per beacon	348 ph/cm <sup>2</sup> /sec						
Theta0_eff	2.14 arcsec	at this zenith	Wind Speed	11.0 m/s	Zenith Angle	30 deg								
Sodium Abund.	3 x 10 <sup>9</sup>	atoms/cm <sup>2</sup>	Outer Scale	75 m	HO WFS Rate	869 Hz	SH using	CCID56						
Science AO Mode: MOAO			LGS Ast. Rad.	0.17 arcmin	HO WFS Noise	1.6 e- rms								
LOWFS AO Mode: Indep PnS			HOWFS Trans	0.35	HOWFS anti-aliasing	NO								
LOWFS Star Type: M					HOWFS transmissio	0.35								
Max Exposure Tim	300 sec	Num TT 2	Num 3x3	0	LO WFS rate	243 Hz	SH using	H2RG						
Max mechanical tip/tilt rejection bandwidth		Num TTF/1	Num HOWFS	0	LO WFS Noise	4.5 e- rms								
			100 Hz		LOWFS transmissio	0.32								

Figure 19 Example LOWFS NGS WFE budget for the Exoplanets Case.