

Roman Space Telescope Optical System:

Status and Test

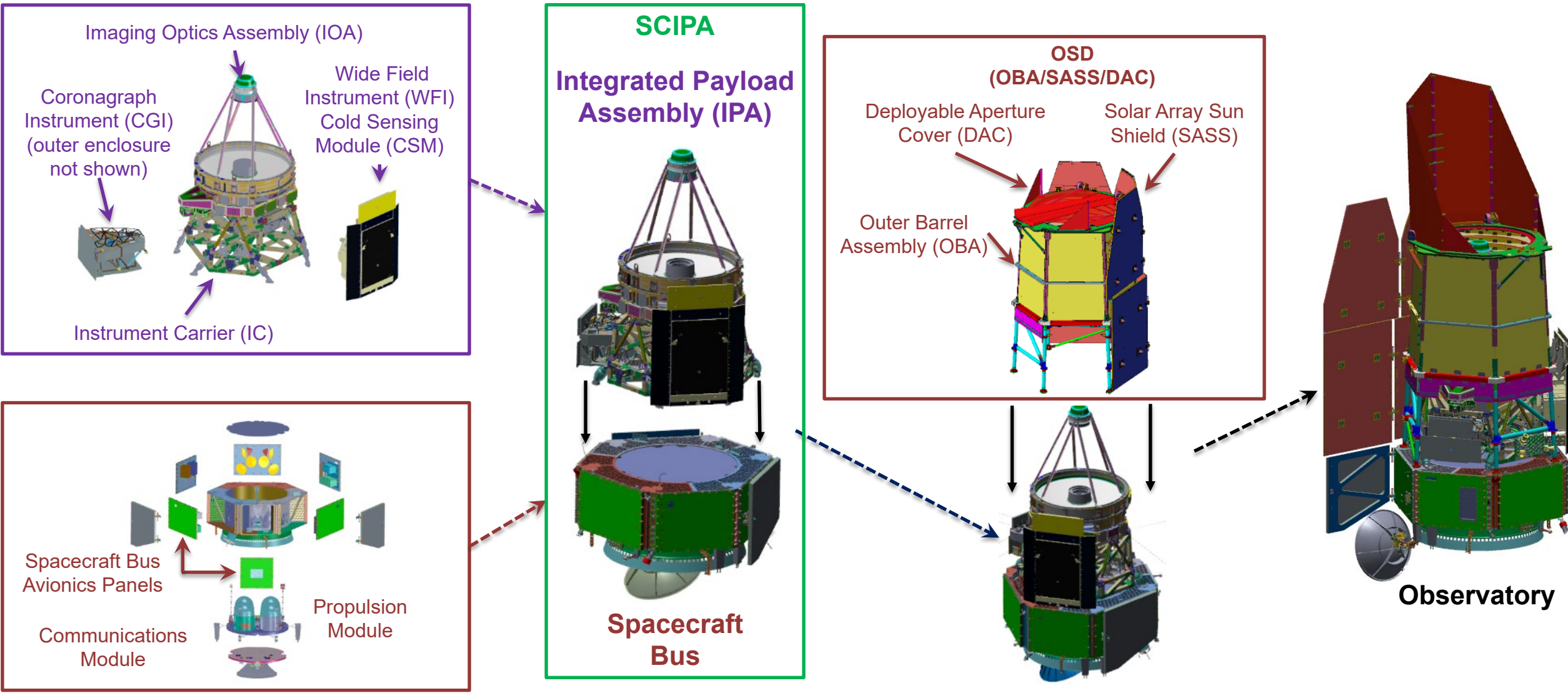
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Observatory Description

Observatory = **Spacecraft** + **Integrated Payload Assembly**



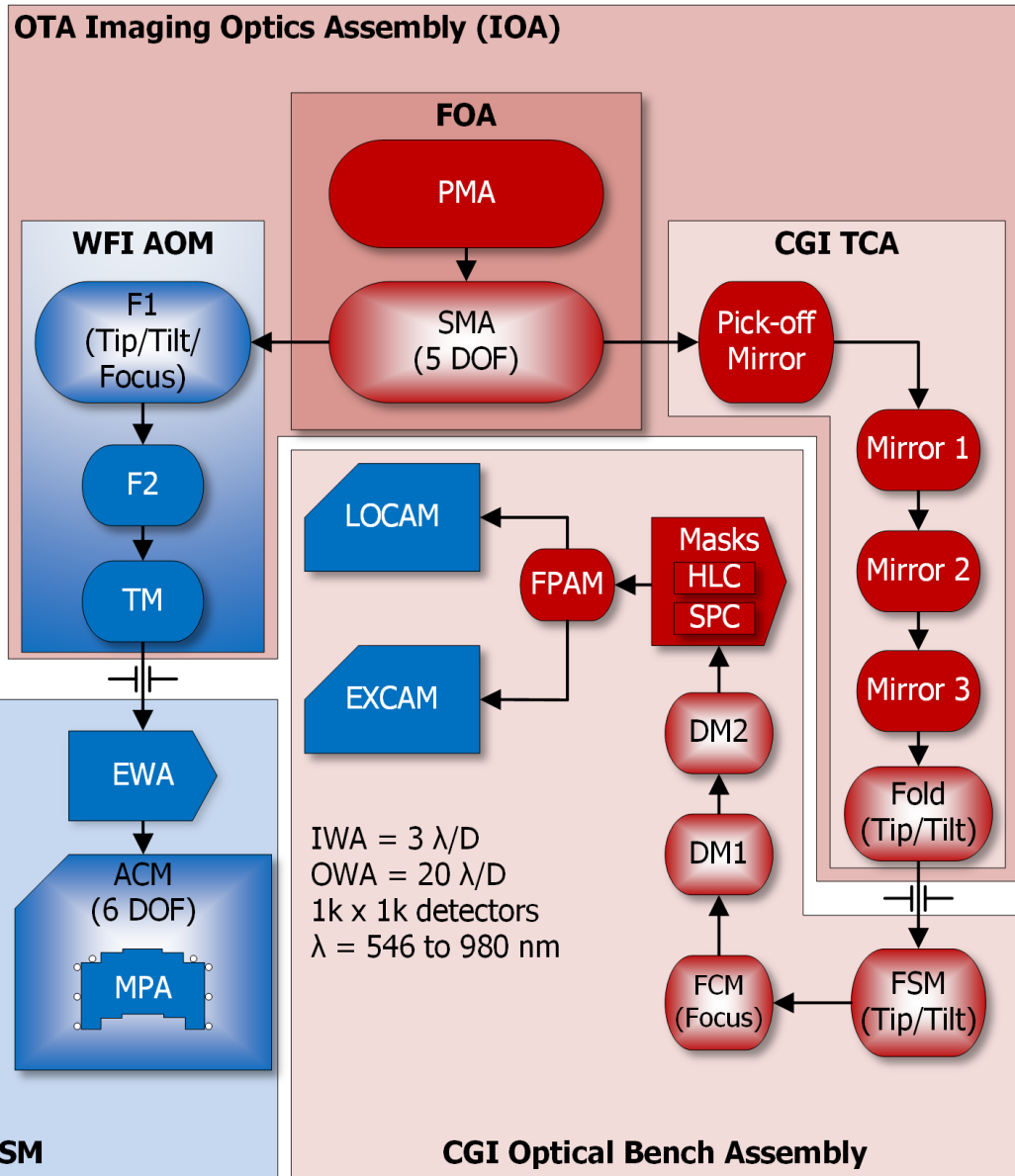
OPTICAL SYSTEM OVERVIEW

Optical System Block Diagram



LEGEND

- Optic
- Flight Compensator
- Focal Plane
- Mechanism
- Optical Path
- Optical Pupil

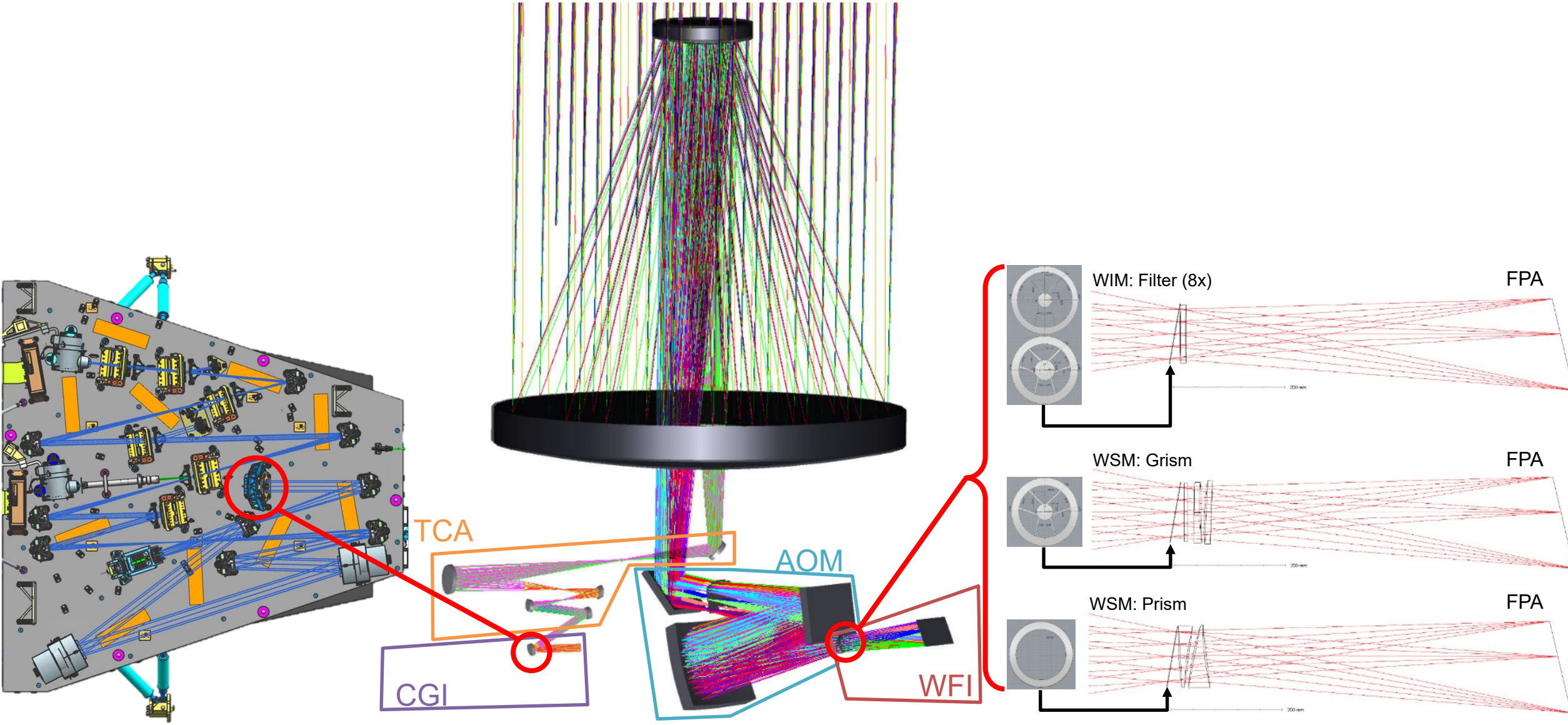


- AOM = Aft Optics Module
- ACM = Alignment Compensation Mechanism
- CGI = Coronagraph Instrument
- CSM = Cold Sensing Module
- DM = Deformable Mirror
- DOF = Degree of Freedom
- EWA = Element Wheel Assembly
- EXCAM = Exoplanet Camera
- FOA = Forward Optics Assembly
- FCM = Focus Control Mechanism
- F1/F2 = Fold Mirror 1/2
- FOA = Forward Optics Assembly
- FPAM = Focal Plane Mask Precision Alignment Mechanism
- FSM = Fast Steering Mirror
- HLC = Hybrid Lyot Coronagraph
- IOA = Imaging Optics Assembly
- IWA = Inner Working Angle

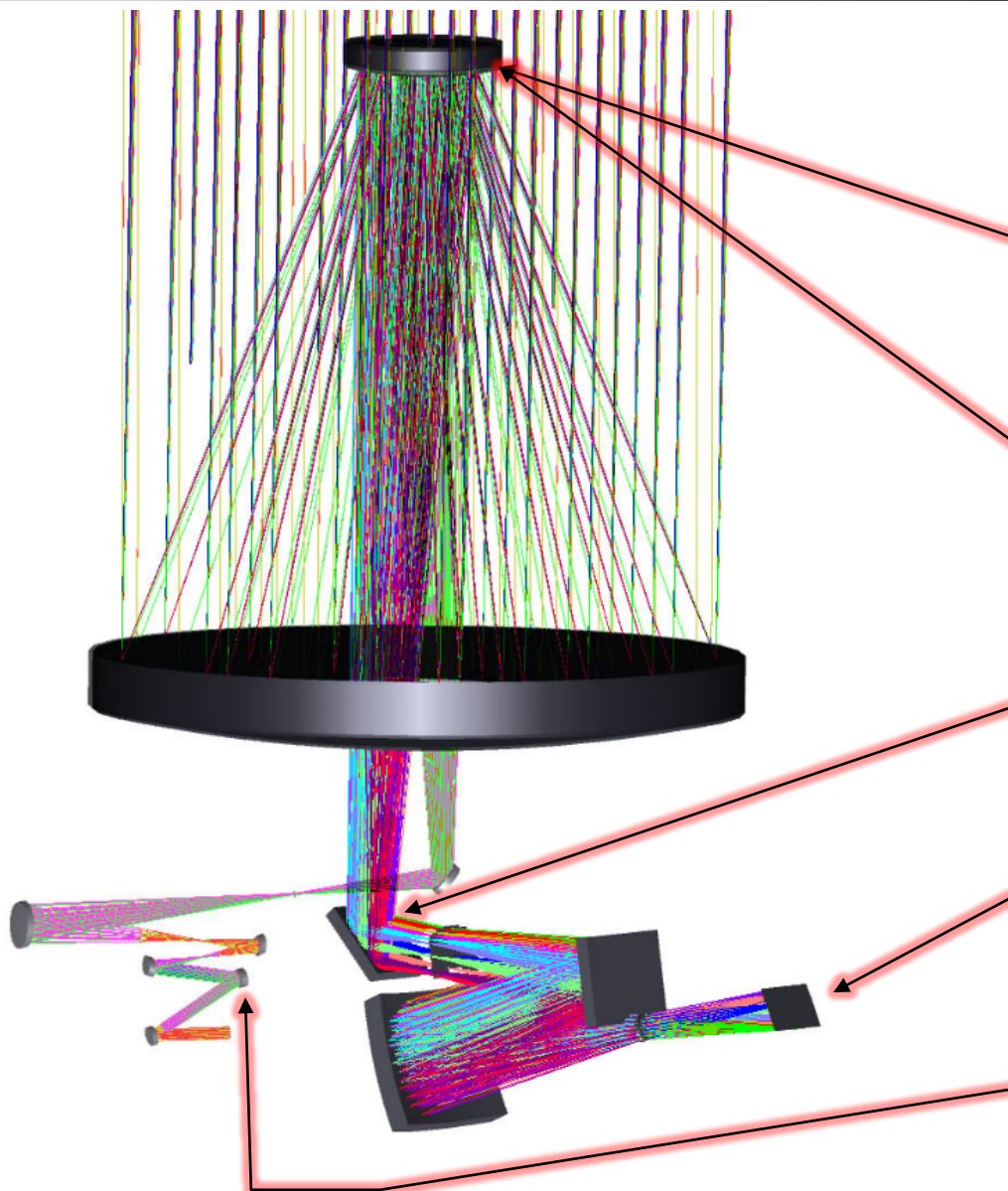
- LOCAM = Low Order Wavefront Sensing Camera
- MPA = Mosaic Plate Assembly
- OTA = Optical Telescope Assembly
- OWA = Outer Working Angle
- PMA = Primary Mirror Assembly
- RCS = Relative Calibration System
- SMA = Secondary Mirror Assembly
- SPC = Shaped Pupil Coronagraph
- TCA = Tertiary Collimator Assembly
- TM = Tertiary Mirror
- WFI = Wide Field Instrument

- 8 Filters
- 1 Grism
- 1 Prism
- 1 Cold Dark
- 18 H4RG detectors
- 10 μm pixel size
- 288 Megapixels
- $\lambda = 0.48 \text{ to } 2.3 \mu\text{m}$
- 0.28 deg^2 active area
- 110 mas/pixel
- f/7.9

Optical Path



Optical Compensators



Compensator	Degree of Freedom
SM Focus Drives (FD)*	Defocus
SM Alignment Drives (AD)*	Decenter (x)
	Decenter (y)
	Defocus
	Tip
	Tilt
AOM Fold Mirror 1 (FM1)	Defocus
	Tip
	Tilt
WFI Alignment Compensation Mechanism (ACM)†	Defocus
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	Tilt
TCA Tip/Tilt Fold (TTF)	Tip
	Tilt

*Heritage actuators from previous program
†Heritage JWST actuators

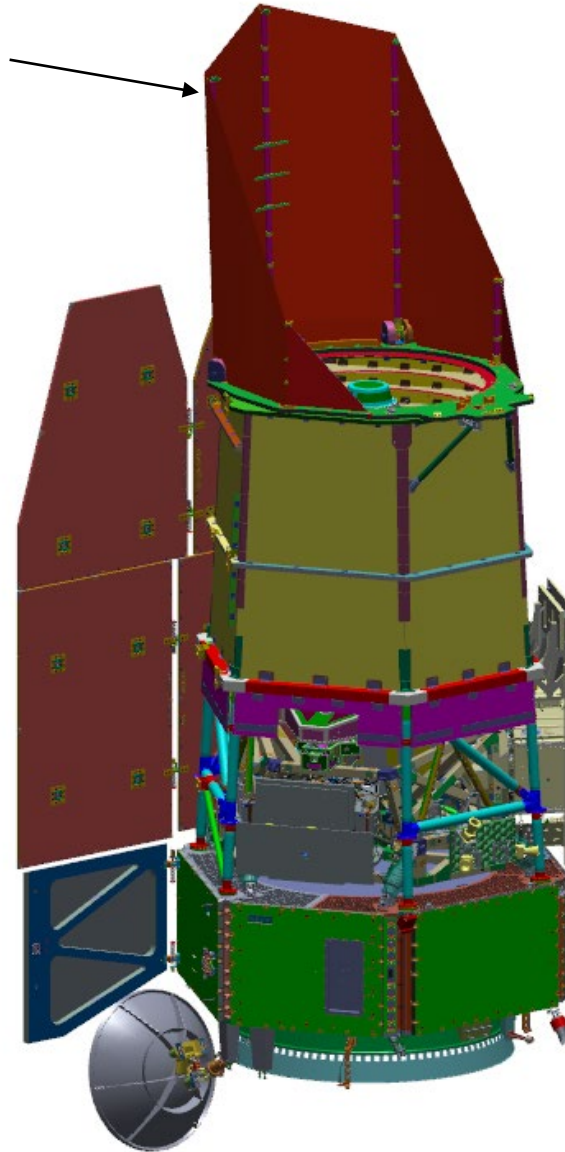
Compensate Wavefront Error (WFE) Errors Common to Each Channel

Compensate Focus & Pupil Shear in WFI Channel

Compensate Pupil Shear in CGI Channel

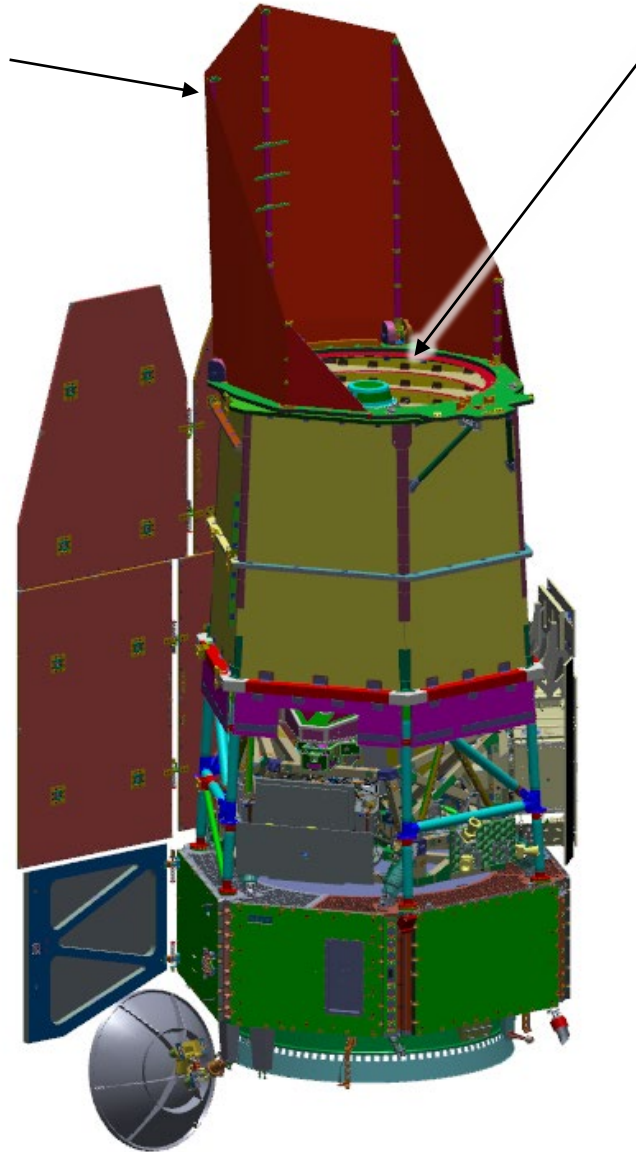
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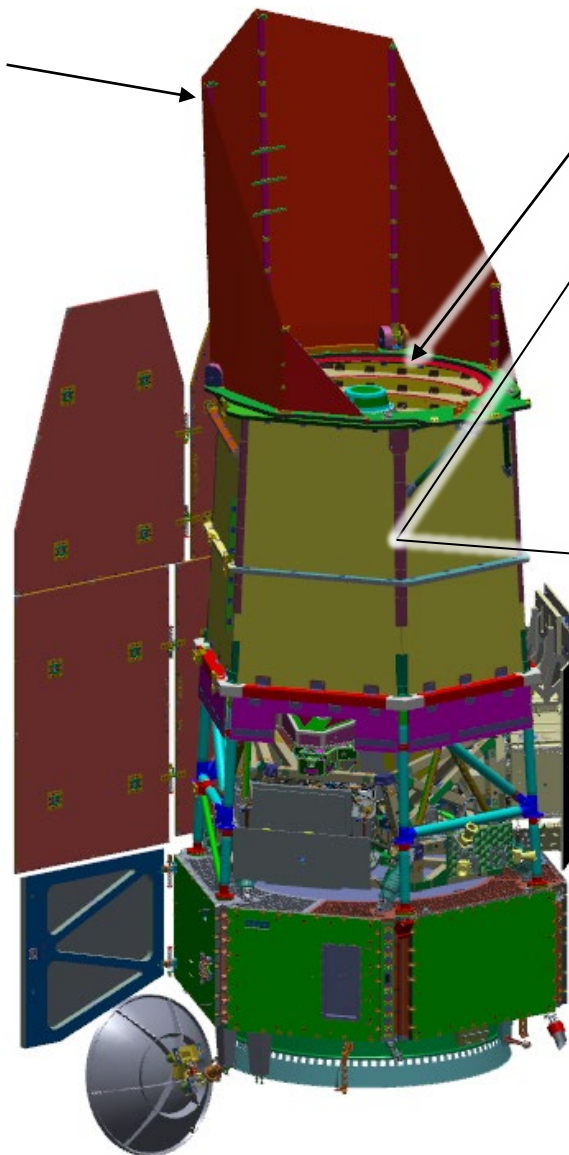
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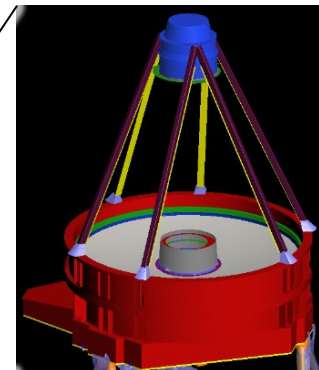
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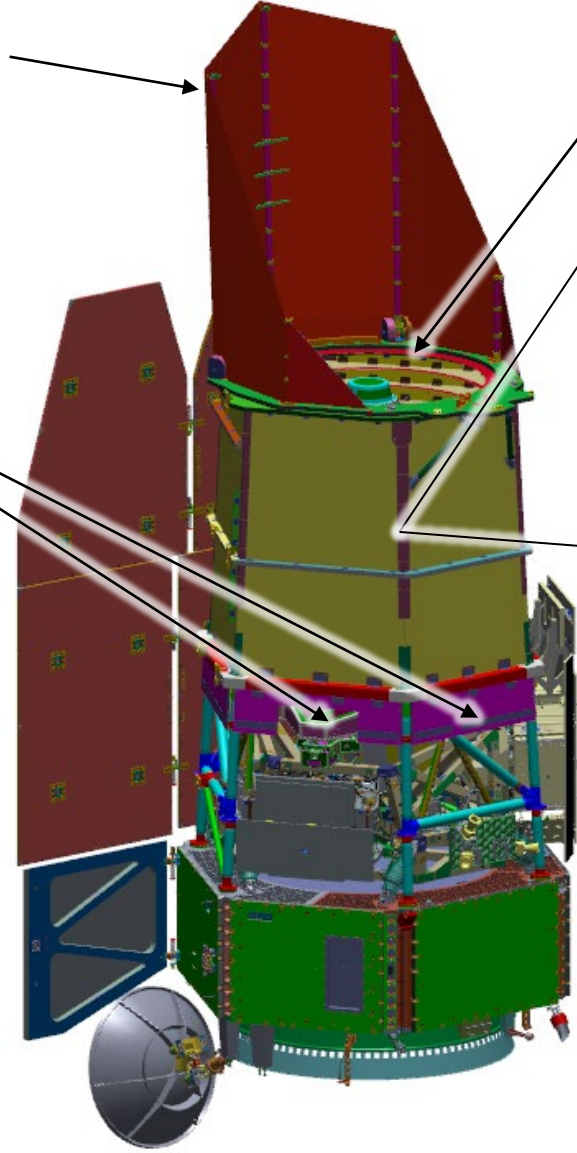
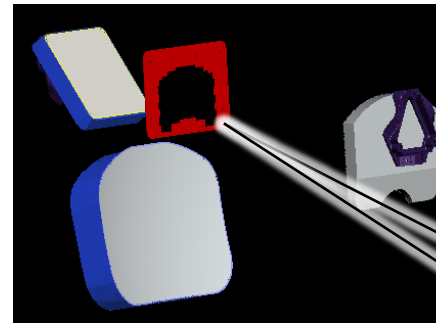
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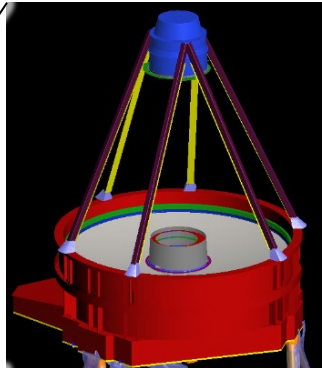
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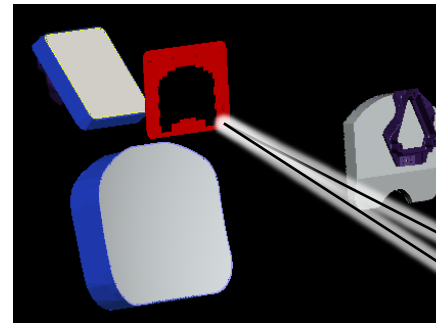
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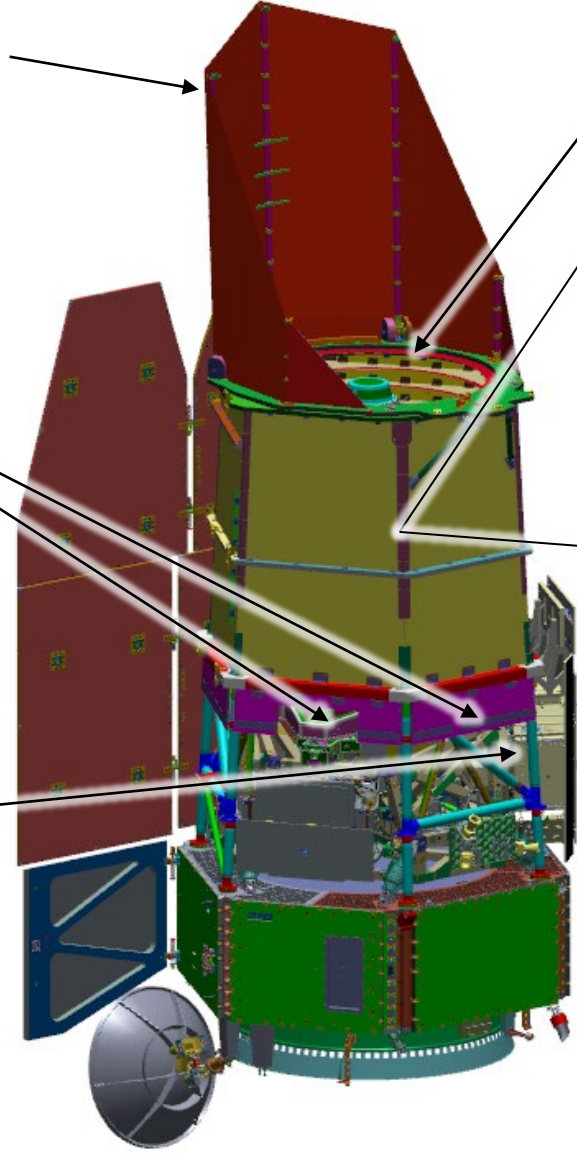
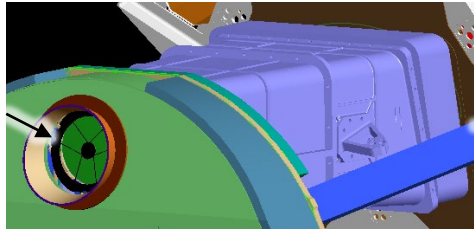
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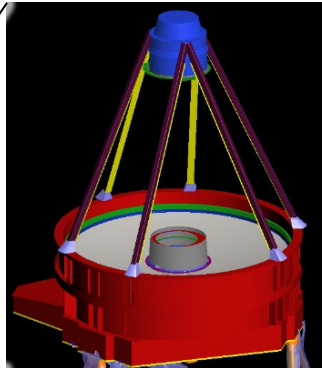
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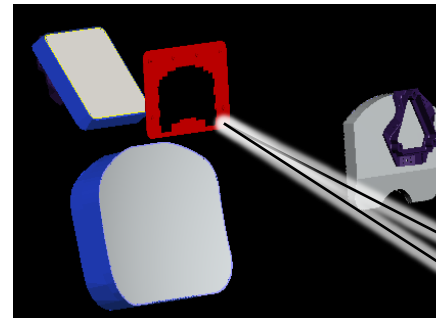
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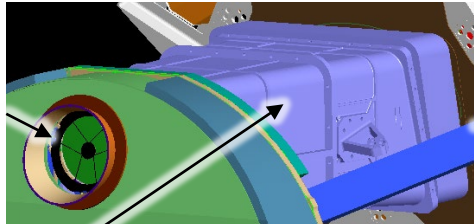
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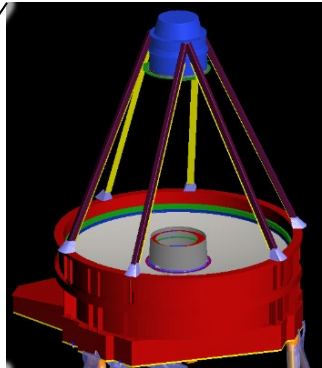


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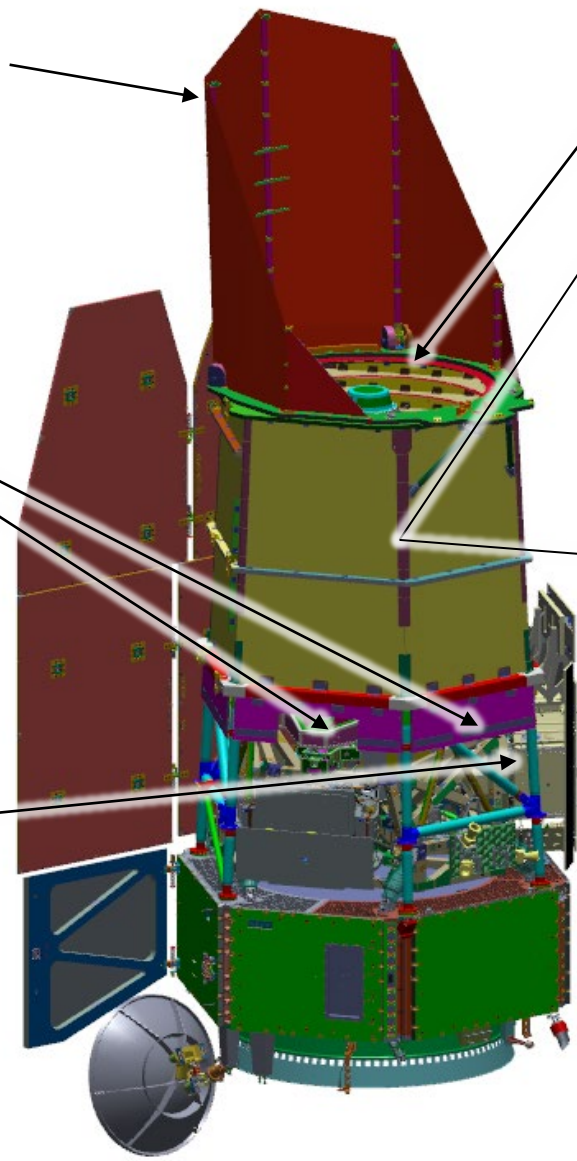
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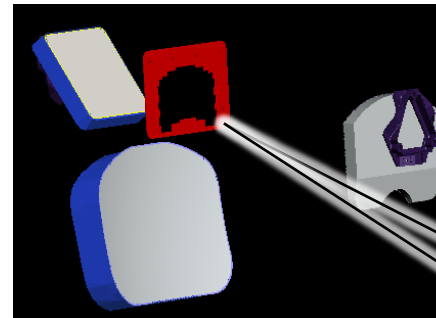


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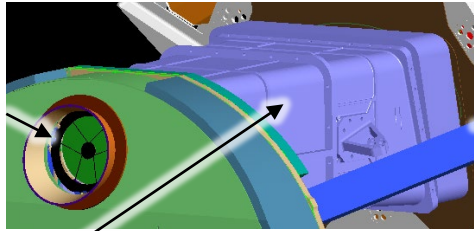


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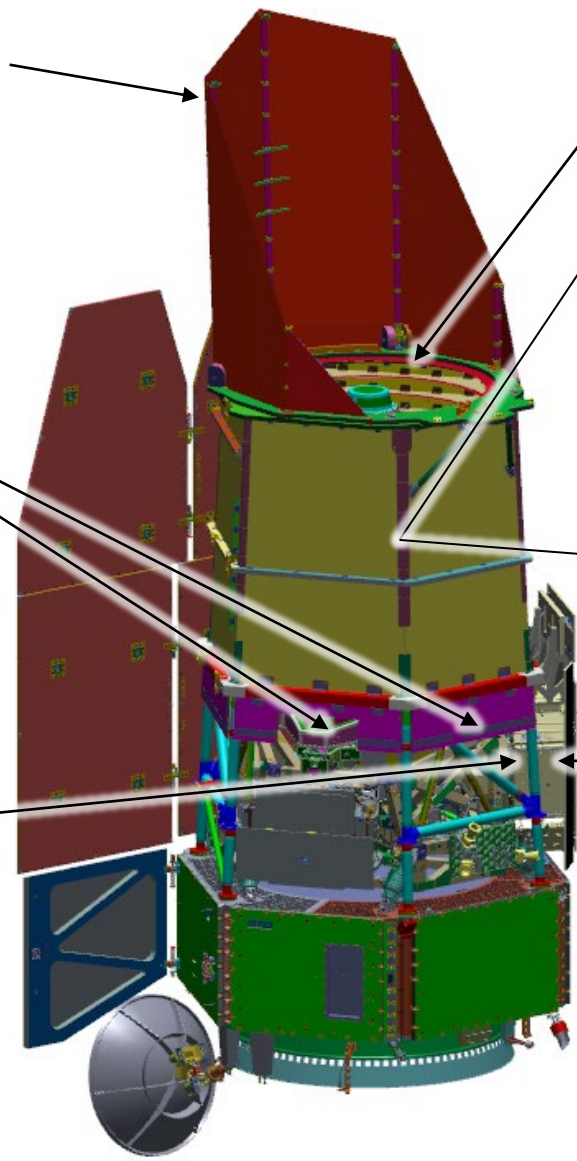
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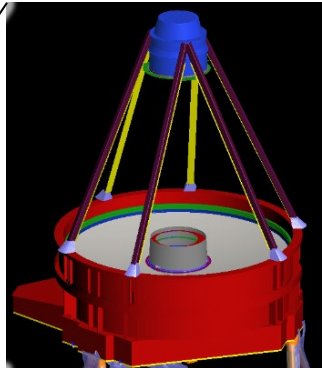
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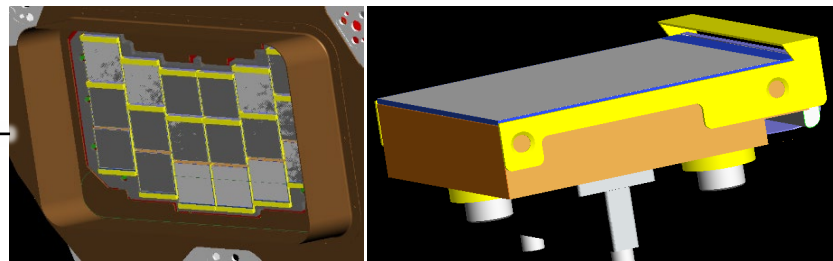


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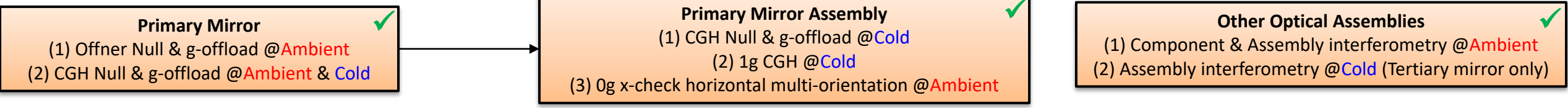
Labyrinth seal allows movement of the
FPA while closing stray light paths

SCA Wirebond Shield blocks out-of-field
light from shiny gold wires & bonds

TEST AND VERIFICATION SUMMARY

Optical Alignment & WFE Verification Summary

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Element Level

Assembly Level

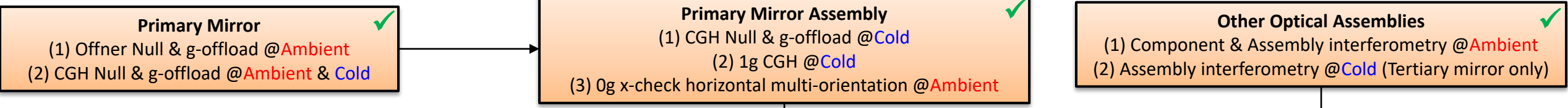
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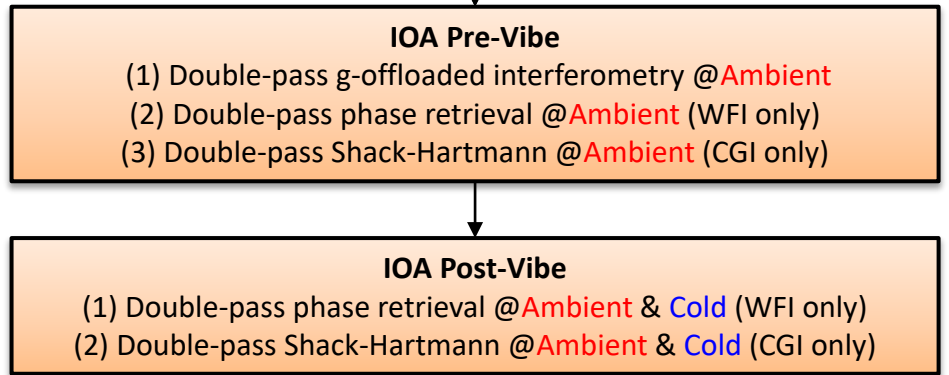
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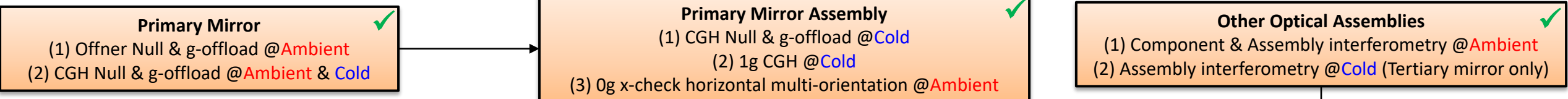
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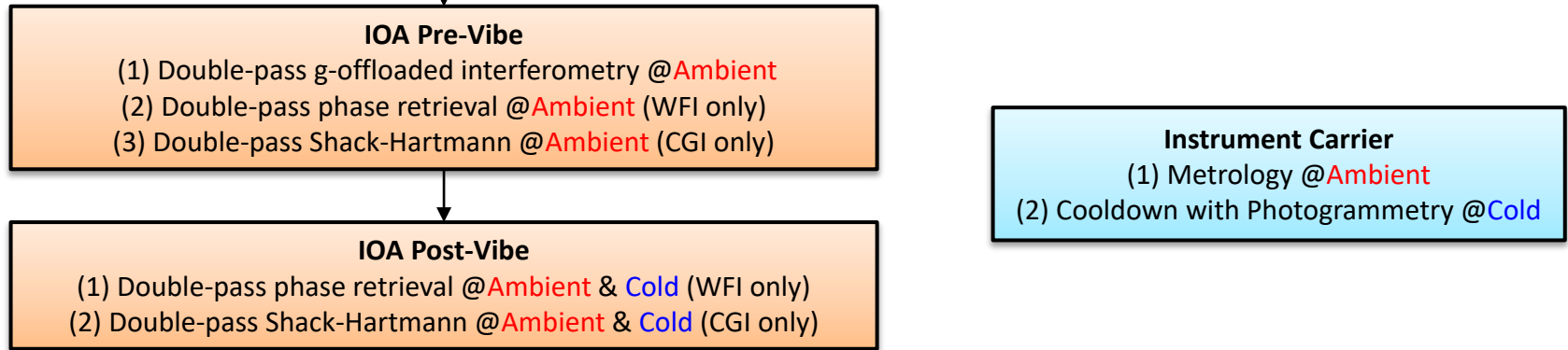
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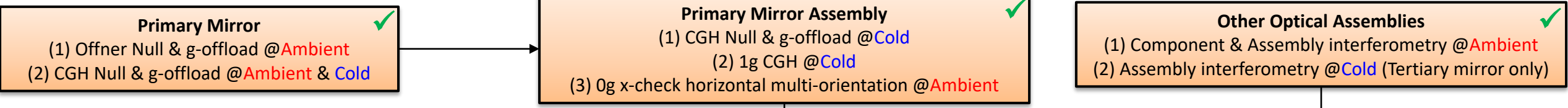
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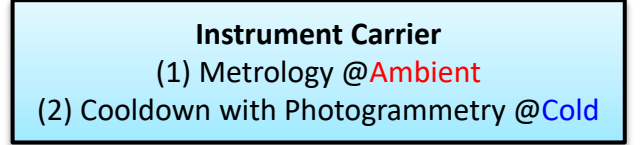
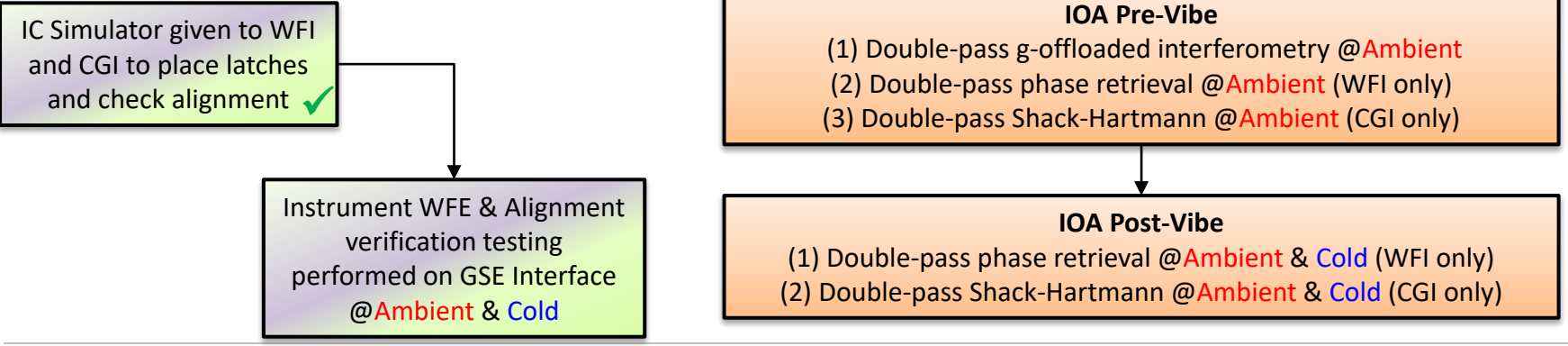


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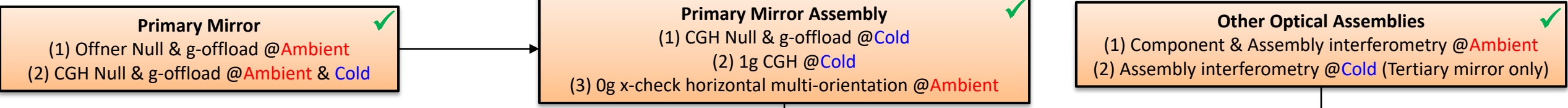
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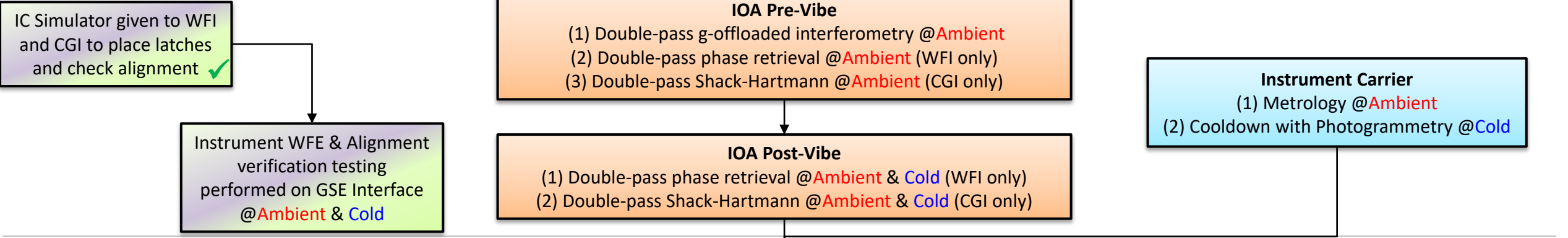


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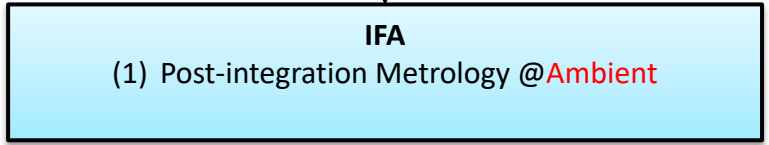
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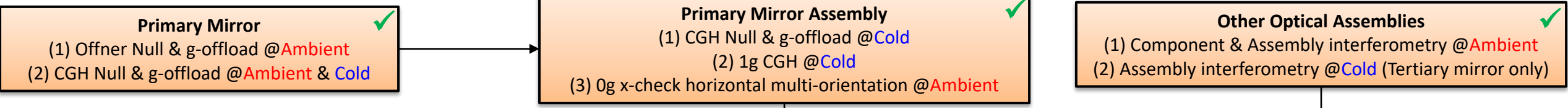


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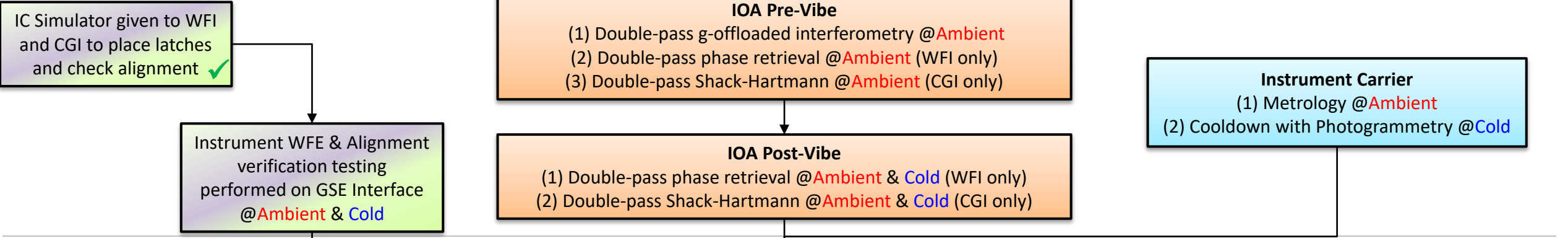


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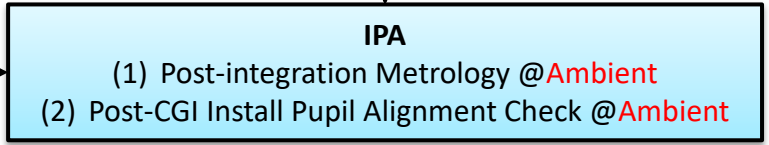
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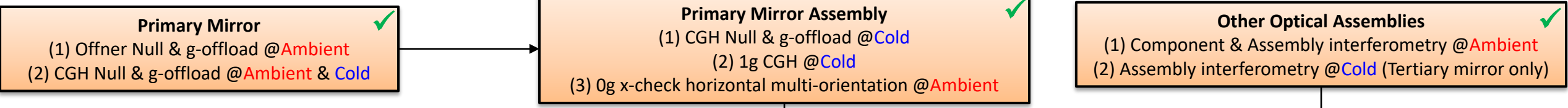


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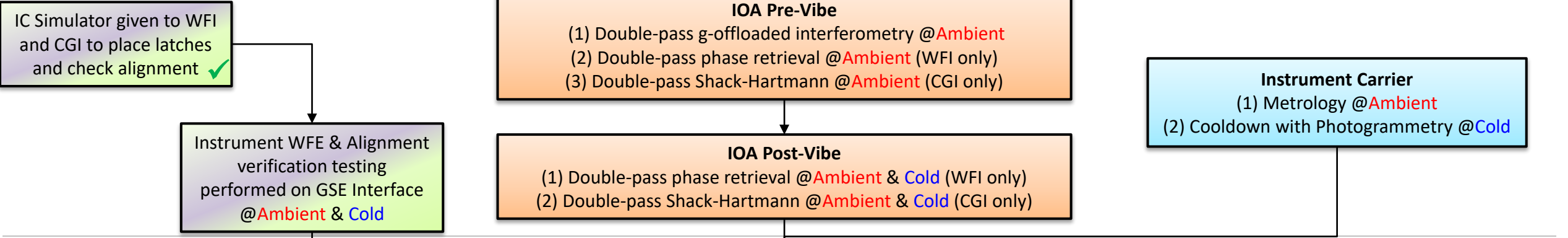


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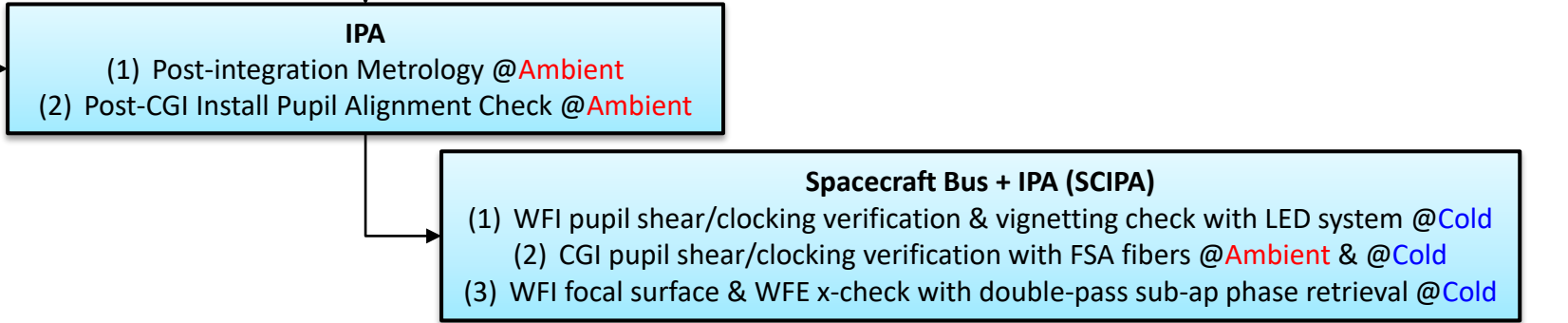
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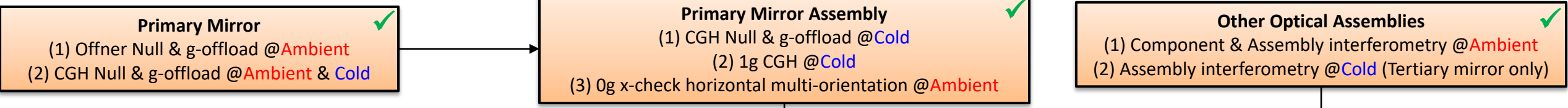


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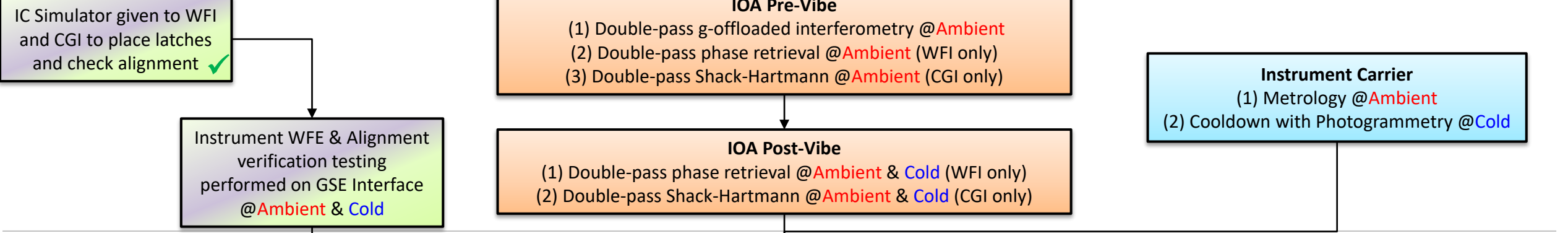


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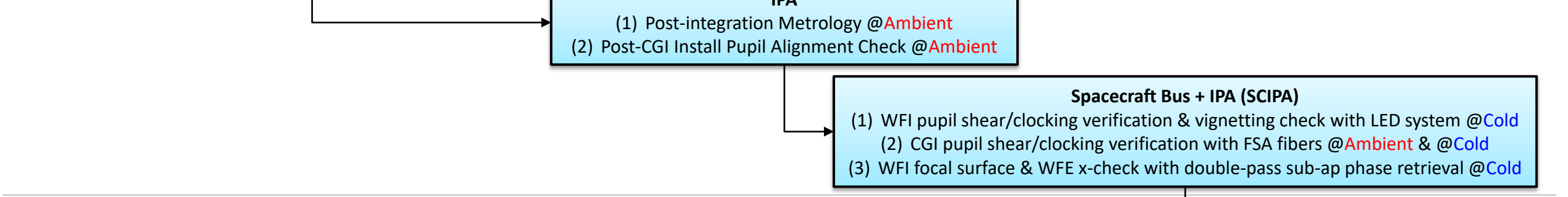
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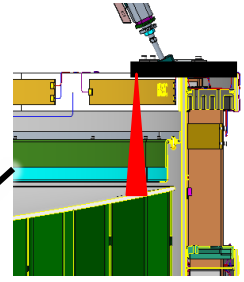
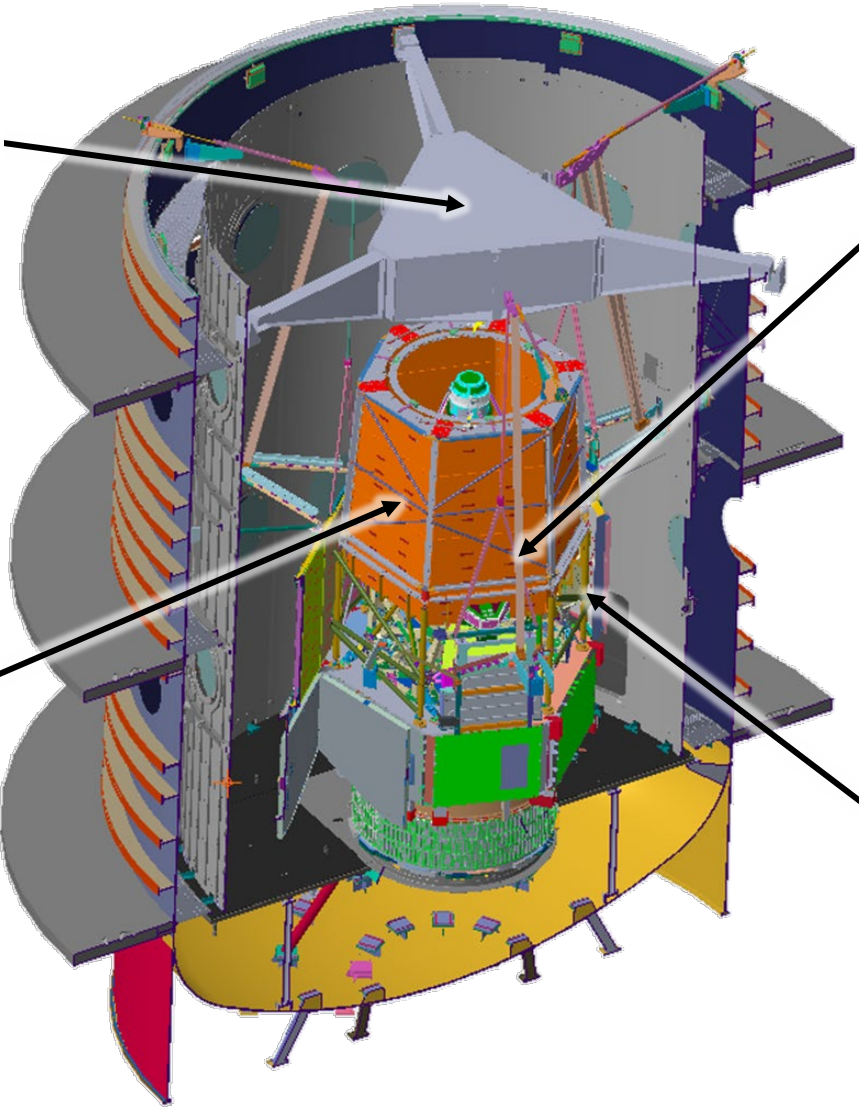
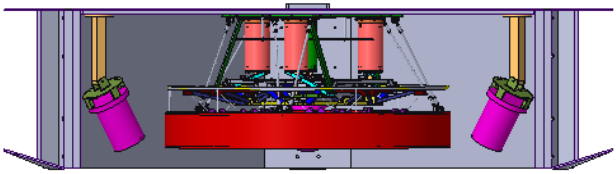
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- **IOA level:**
 - **Ambient: Verify** 0-g WFE with interferometry (both channels)
 - **Ambient: Cross-check** 0-g WFE with phase retrieval (WFI channel) and Shack-Hartmann (CGI channel)
 - **Ambient: Verify** alignment stability through dynamic environments with interferometry (both channels)
 - **OpTemp: Verify** WFE cold-shift with phase retrieval (WFI channel) and Shack-Hartmann (CGI channel)
 - **OpTemp: Verify** pupil shear and clocking with interferometer pupil imaging (both channels)
 - **OpTemp: Cross-check** pupil shear and clocking with FSA fibers (CGI channel only)
 - **OpTemp: Verify** focal surface placement with phase retrieval (WFI channel only)
- **Instrument Carrier level:**
 - **OpTemp: Verify** alignment and cooldown distortion using photogrammetry
- **WFI level:**
 - **OpTemp: Verify** instrument-level wavefront error, element confocality, and alignment with phase retrieval & pupil imaging
- **CGI level:**
 - **Ambient: Verify** instrument pupil alignment and alignment stability through dynamic environments with metrology
 - **OpTemp: Verify** instrument contrast performance with CGI Verification Stimulus
- **SCIPA level:**
 - **OpTemp: Verify** optical alignment with LED System and sub-aperture phase retrieval (WFI channel)
 - **OpTemp: Verify** no vignetting in WFI channel using LED System
 - **OpTemp: Verify** optical alignment with FSA fiber sources (CGI channel)
 - **OpTemp: Cross-check** optical wavefront error with sub-aperture phase retrieval (WFI channel only)
- **Observatory level:**
 - **Ambient: Cross-check** vignetting after dynamic environments using Imaging Inspection System

SCIPA TVAC TEST

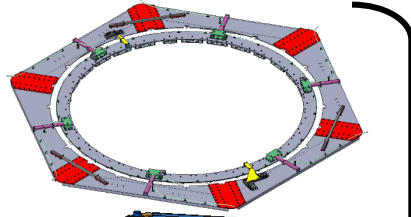
SCIPA Test Configuration

Upper Support Frame holds sub-aperture auto-collimating flat, photogrammetry cameras, and isolation system.

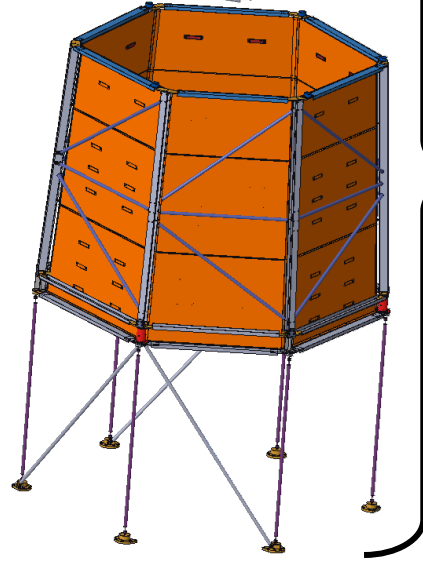


Non-flight fibers mounted around the perimeter of the primary mirror provide pupil sources for measuring CGI pupil alignment.

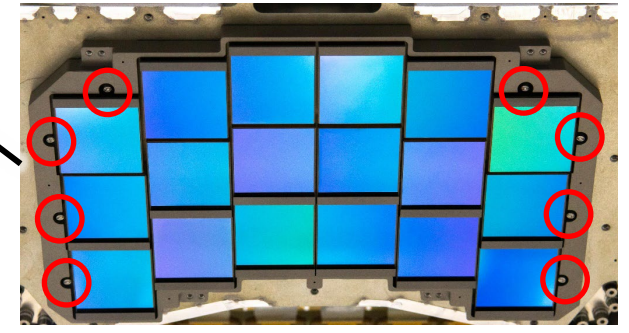
OBA-Sim top deck assembly supports LED System as well as photogrammetry targets



Outer Barrel Assembly Simulator (OBA-Sim) provides thermal environment and supports photogrammetry cameras for system alignment.



8 fibers mounted around the WFI focal plane array allow for double-pass testing of the system using focus-diverse phase retrieval.

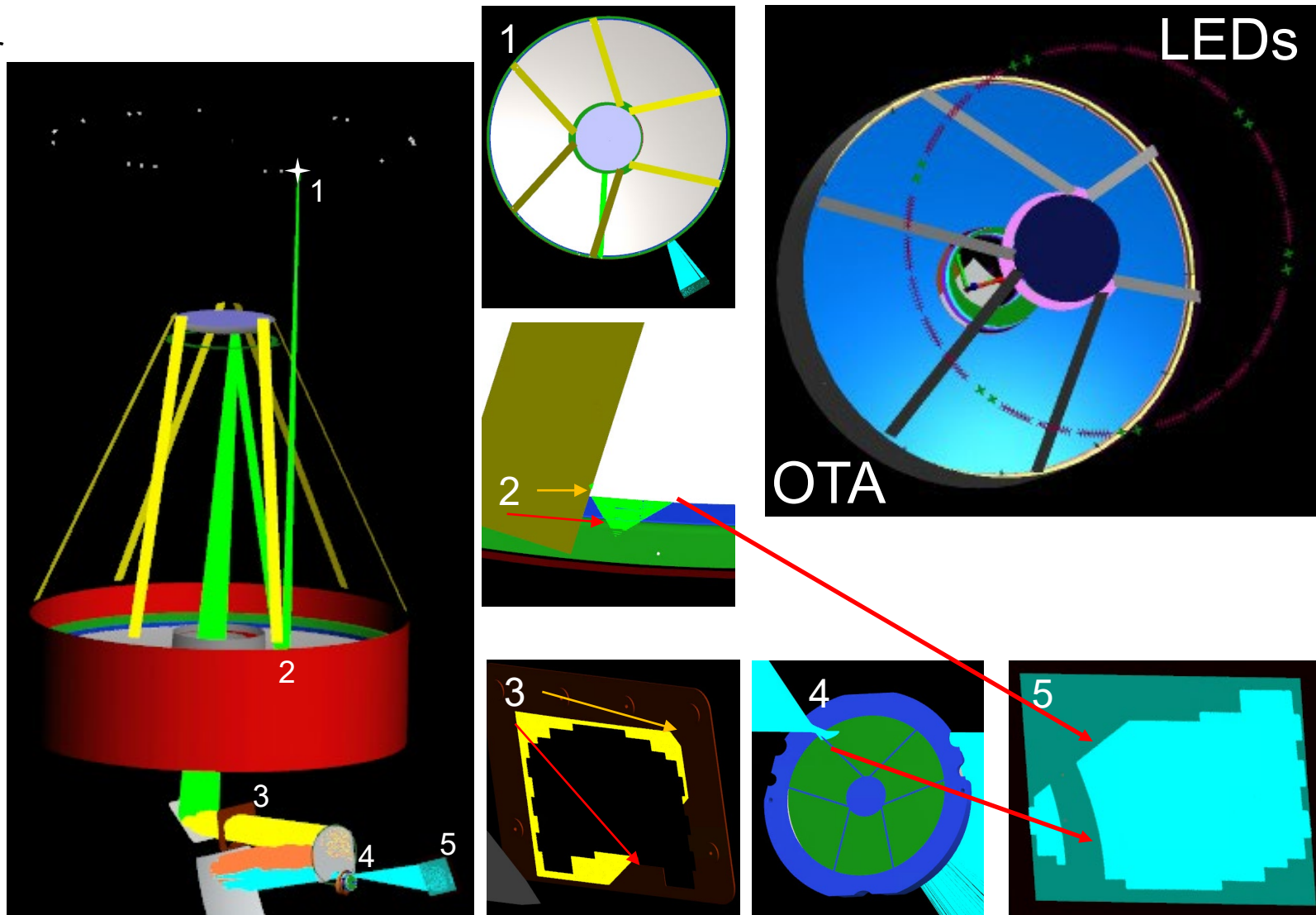


WFI PUPIL VERIFICATION / VIGNETTING CHECK

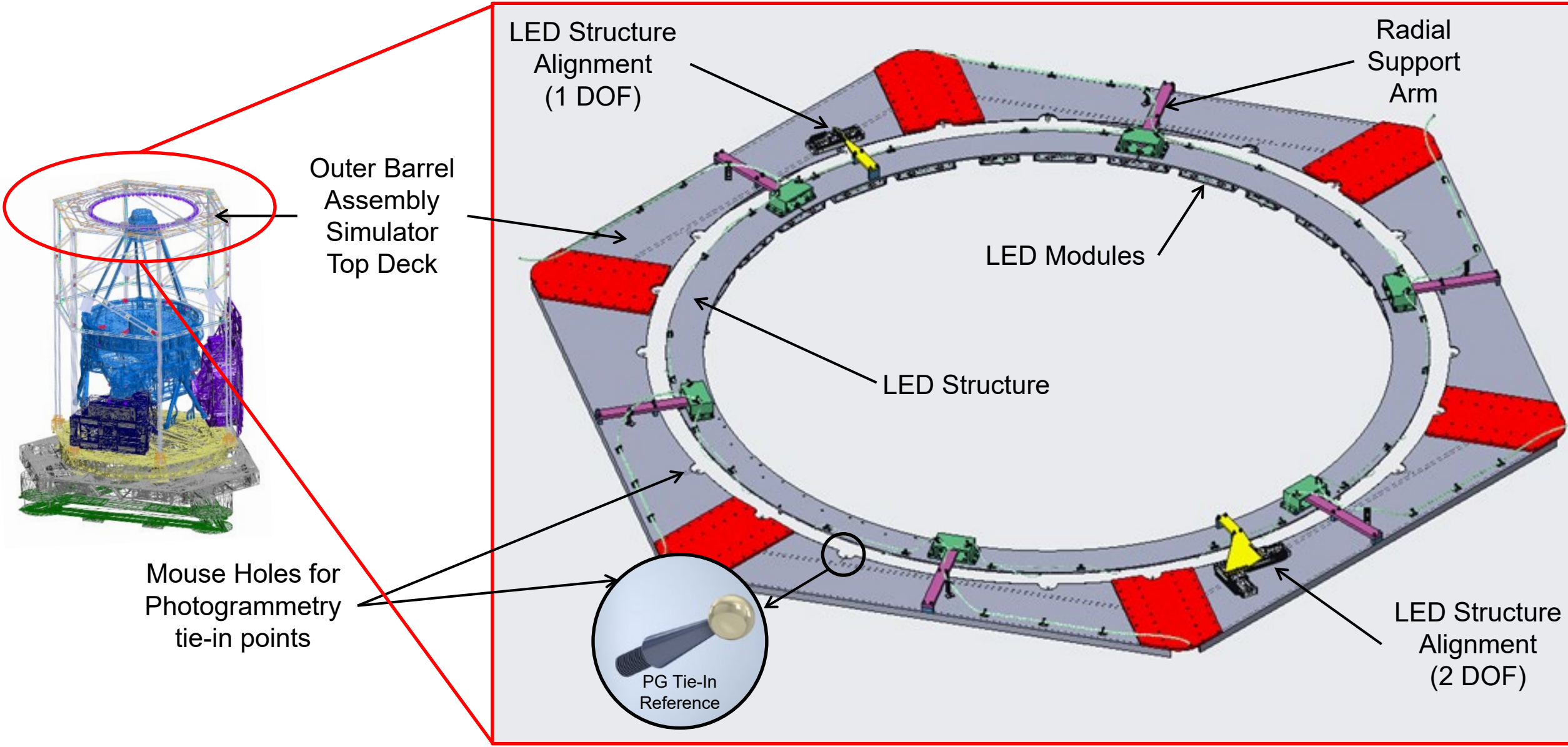
Pupil Alignment Overview

A ring of LEDs are positioned within the clear aperture

1. Each LED is turned on individually and floods the WFI field
2. Structure in the OTA pupil block ray angles associated with their location & direction with respect to the LED
3. These OTA features clip parts of the field; the entrance aperture plate limits the field-of-view otherwise
4. In pupil space, the same ray bundle can also be clipped by features in the WFI pupil mask
5. The features in the OTA pupil and the WFI pupil each cast shadows that are imaged at the WFI detector
6. **Positions of shadows on the WFI detector are related to the as built positions of the OTA and the WFI pupil mask**



LED Structure

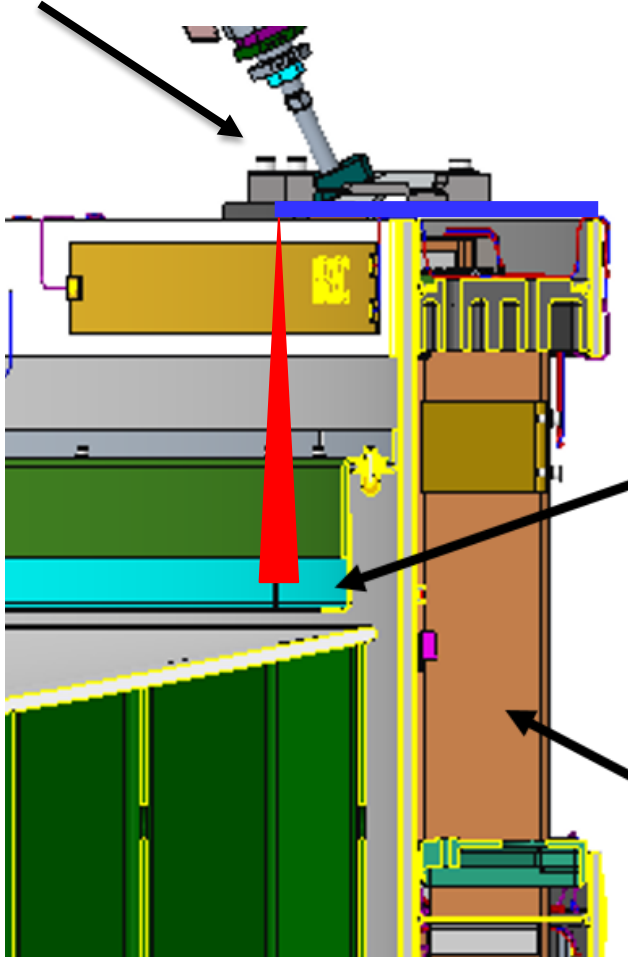


CGI PUPIL VERIFICATION

- **Six downward looking fiber sources mounted on diving boards attached to the Forward Structure Assembly (FSA) allow for a common pupil reference that can be seen at different levels of assembly**
 - First measured at IOA-level test using interferometer – establish baseline alignment of FSA fiber positions to pupil position measured by interferometer
- **After IPA integration CGI pupil imaging mode measures FSA fiber position three times:**
 - Ambient test after IPA integration and pre-SCIPA level vibe to allow check of integration accuracy and establish baseline alignment
 - Ambient post-vibe test to verify alignment stability
 - In TVAC to verify at-temperature instrument alignment
- **Fiber sources**
 - Non-flight, mounted on metrologized diving boards above PM
 - Removed after TVAC test before outer-barrel assembly (OBA) integration

FSA Fiber Concept

Fiber optic on top of FSA



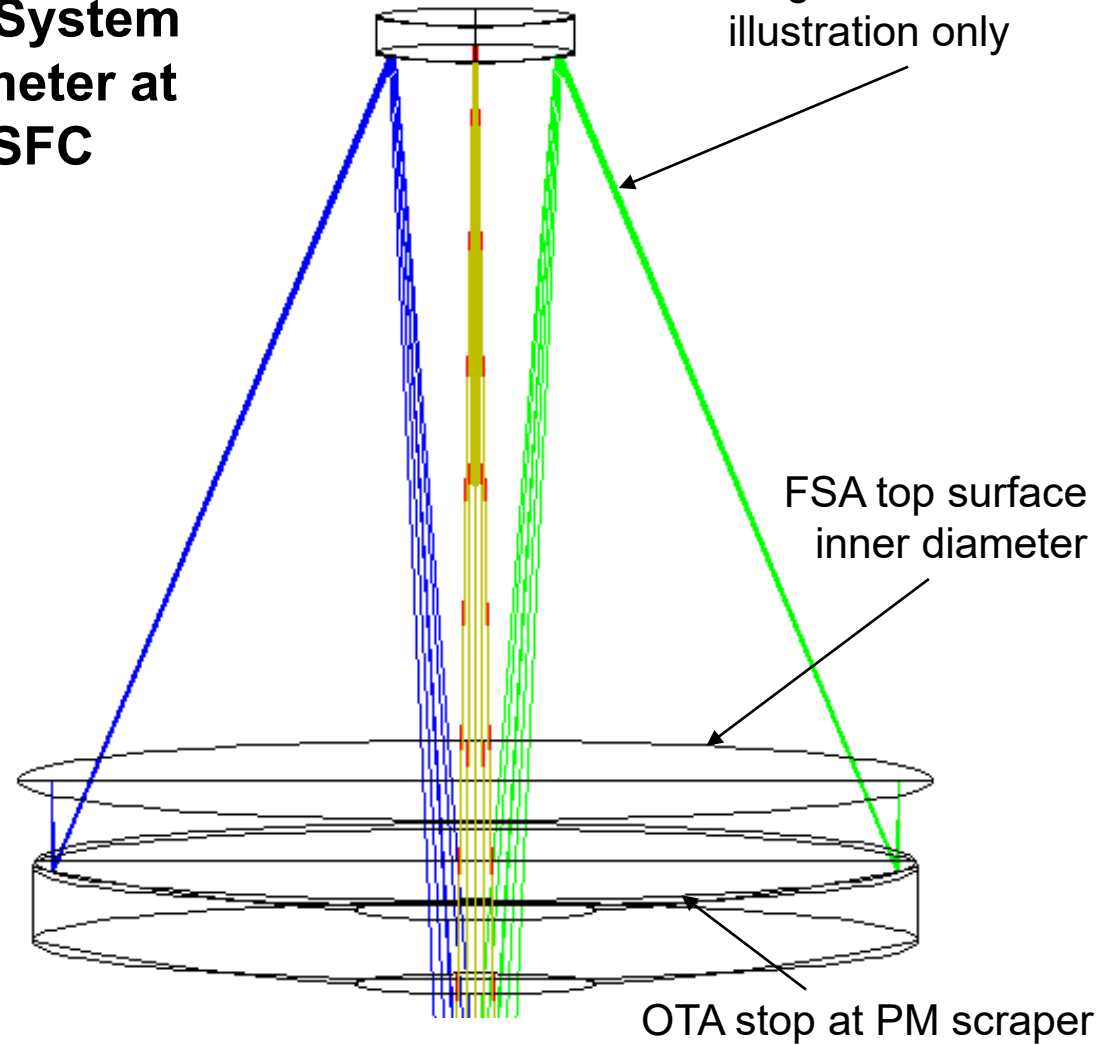
(6) Fiber sources

- Alignment characterized in Payload Coordinate System
- Imaged by interferometer at L3Harris or CGI at GSFC

PM outer diameter scraper

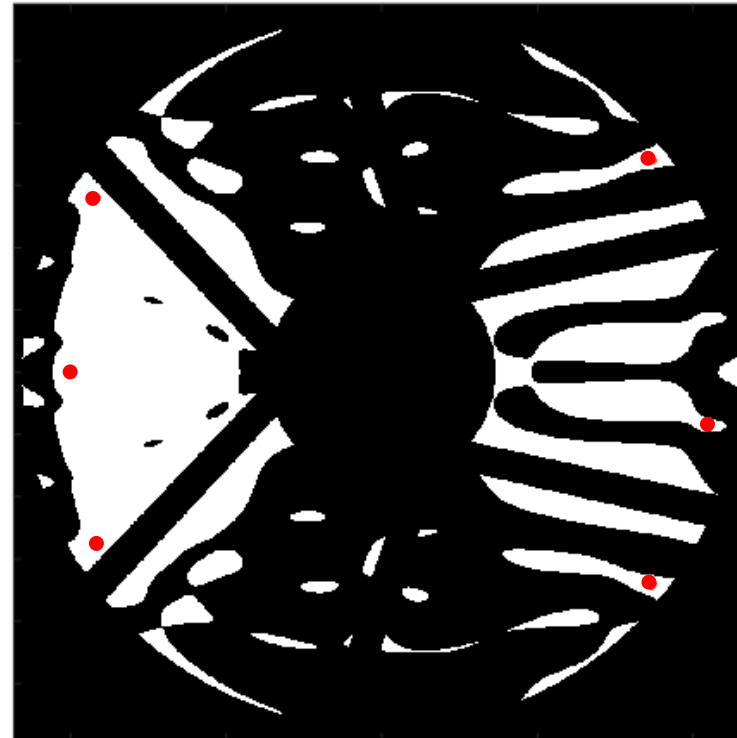
Forward Metering Structure

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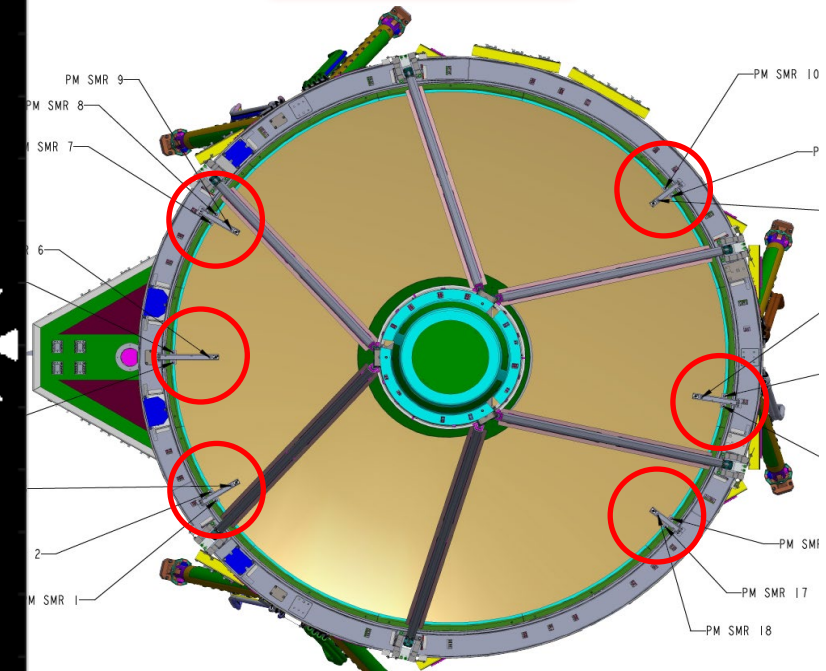


Design Requirements

- Removeable, operate cold @ vac during IOA & SCIPA TVAC
- Within clear aperture
 - 60-176.5 mm inside PM scraper
- Line of sight past SMST, blankets, ACF fiducials & CGI shaped pupil mask



CGI Shaped Pupil Mask



6 total locations around PM

WFI FOCAL SURFACE VERIFICATION / WFE CROSS-CHECK

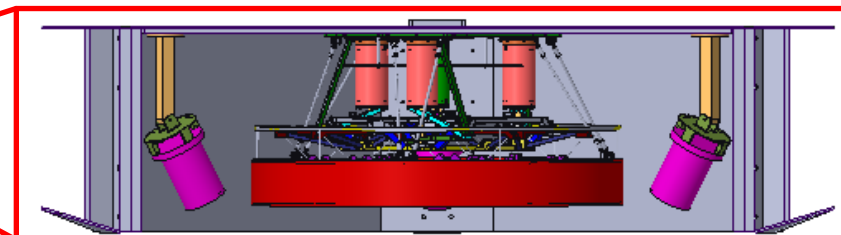
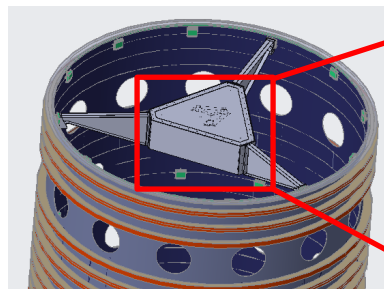
Sub-aperture Double-pass FDPR

- **Use fibers located around the WFI Focal Plane Assembly (FPA) to create a collimated beam exiting the telescope pupil**
- **A sub-aperture optical flat (OLAFS) positioned above the telescope retros a portion of the collimated beam back through the system**
 - Small tip & tilt of the OLAFS can be used to steer the return beam through different field angles
- **The optical system focuses the return beam onto the active area of the FPA**
 - Moving the FPA through focus with the alignment compensation mechanism (ACM) within WFI provide focus diversity for FDPR

OLAFS & Photogrammetry System

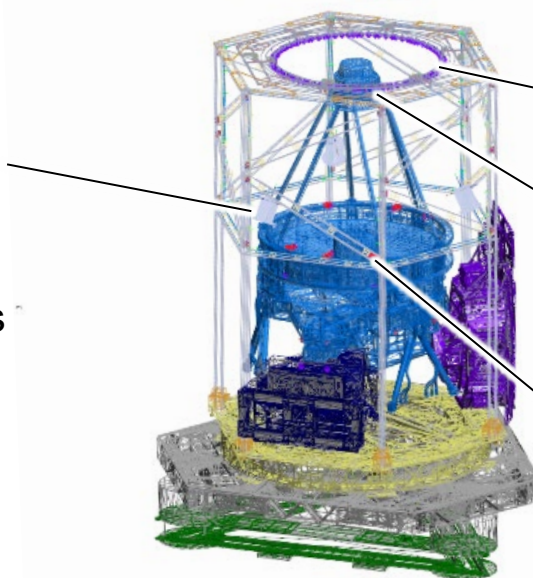
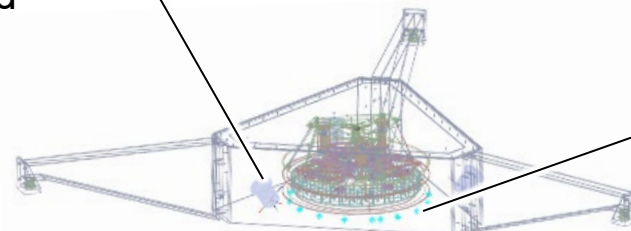
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- Common spherical targets on OBA platform (tie-in points)
- PG stickers on top of LED modules and LED ring
- PG stickers on FSA fiber diving boards



- **3 upward looking PG cameras see:**

- Common spherical targets on OBA platform (tie-in points)
- PG stickers on bottom of LED modules and LED ring
- OLAFS ring and aperture



OLAFS PG Targets

LED Structure PG Targets

PG Tie-in Points

6 FSA Fiber PG Targets

Downward PG Cameras (3x)

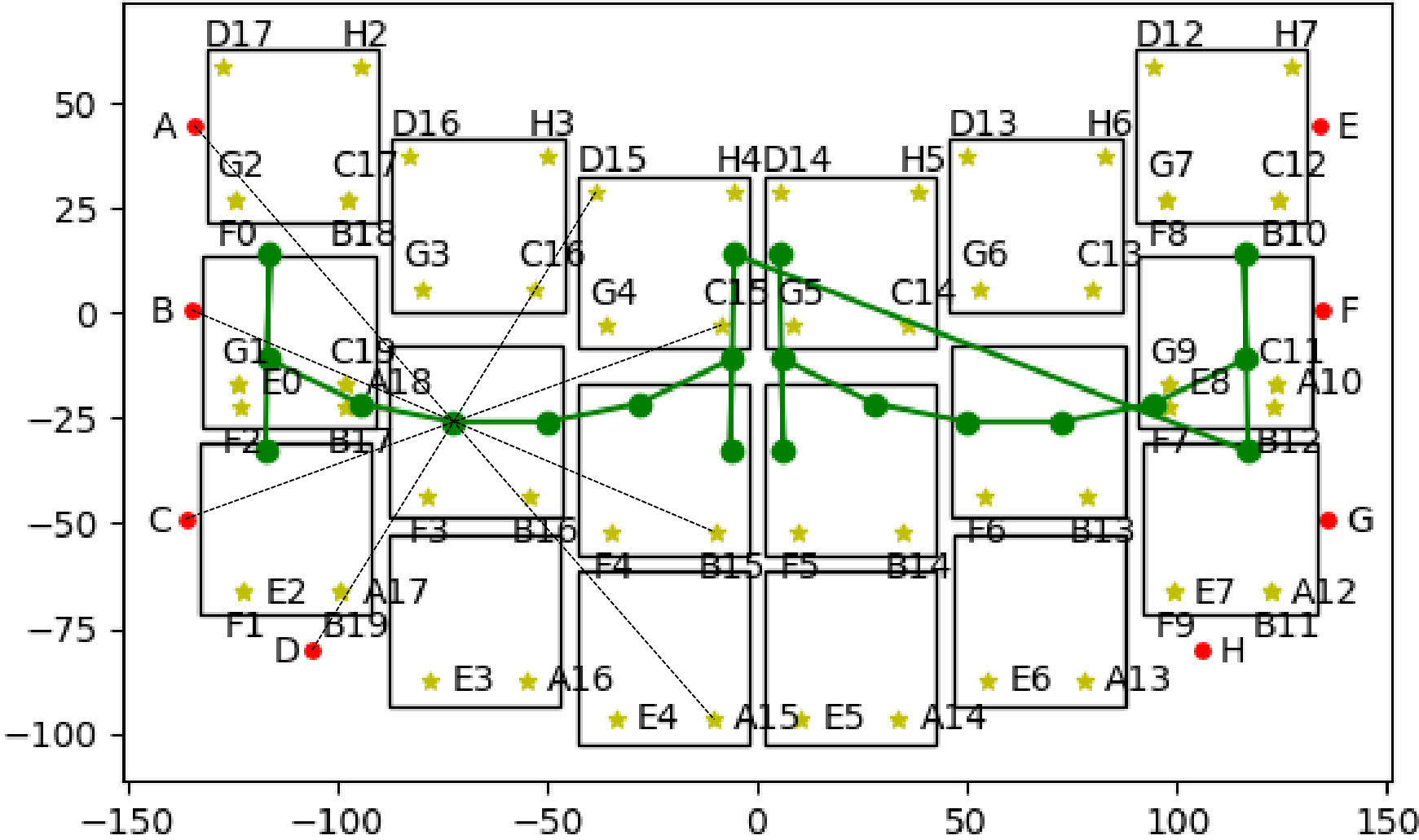
Upward PG Cameras (3x)

Field Scan Points, aka "Full Moustache"

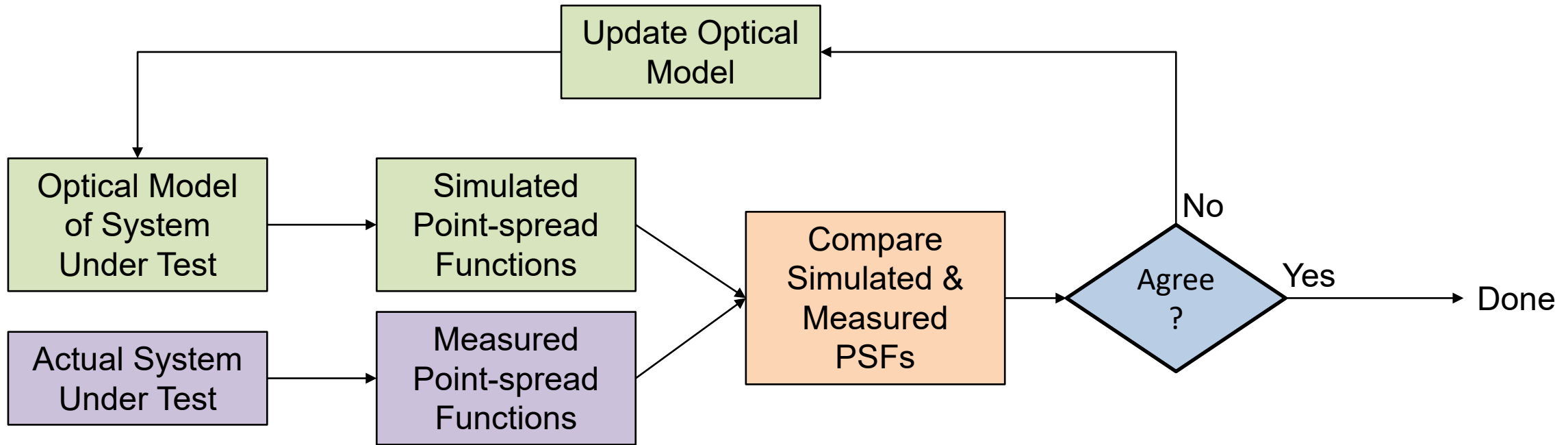
Red points are the FPA fiber positions

Green points represent individual OLAFS pointing angles in field space

Yellow stars represent images of a given illuminated fiber for a given OLAFS pointing



How Focus-Diverse Phase Retrieval (FDPR) Works



- **Issues:**

- If optical model does not sufficiently represent the system under test, then FDPR will not converge to a solution
 - **Knowledge** requirements on system configuration
- If system under test is changing during measurements, then FDPR can't find a self-consistent solution
 - **Stability** requirement during test

- **Integration and test of the Roman Space Telescope is well underway!**
 - Each Element is working through final integration now and preparing for thermal vacuum and dynamic environment testing later this year and early next year
 - Elements to be delivered to GSFC next spring and summer for payload integration

- **A comprehensive optical verification plan has been established**
 - All Elements are fully optically verified at operational temperature prior to delivery to payload integration
 - Final system alignment is verified at GSFC at operational temperature with additional cross-checks to ensure system integrity through I&T
 - Test verification budgets and test plans are in development

- **The Roman Space Telescope is on track for an October 2026 launch!**