



Growing a NASA Sponsored Metrology Project to Serve Many Applications and Industries

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- In the Beginning...
 Early Technology
 The NASA Connection
 - NASA Programs
 - First success at NASA
 - Technology Evolution
- Where We Are Today…
 - New Applications and Industries





Optical Interferometry

Measure interference between optical beams traveling two different paths





Thin Film Interference



White Light Interference in a Bubble

Temporal Phase-Shift Interferometry



Polarization Phase Shift Method

Use polarizer as phase shifter







Circular polarized beams (θ) + linear polarizer (α) \implies I = I_T(1+ γ Cos (θ + 2 α))

Phase-shift depends on polarizer angle

Kothiyal and Delsile, (1985)

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Early Technology

Image division + bulk polarization elements





- Single Frame Acquisition
- Simplified Optical Setup



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NASA Related Projects



Cryo-figuring of mirror segments

• 1) Polish



First application

NASA Marshall - XRCF





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	Peak to Valley			RMS		
	Uncalibrated	Precision	Repeatability	Uncalibrated	Precision	Repeatability
	Accuracy			Accuracy		
	.087 wys	.021 wys	.0029wvs	.011 wys	.0024 <u>wys</u>	.00058 <u>wxs</u>
	λ/11.5	λ/46	λ/348	λ/90	λ/413	λ/1711
	57 nm	13.8 nm	1.8 nm	7 nm	1.5 nm	0.36 nm



Ball Aerospace – Deep Impact

Figure testing of 300 mm Zerodur mirrors at cryogenic temperatures, Baer & Lotz, SPIE 4822-4 July 2002

Mirror Segment Discontinuity





http://www.jwst.nasa.gov/



 $\lambda_{s} = \frac{\lambda_{1} \cdot \lambda_{2}}{|\lambda_{2} - \lambda_{1}|}$

Dynamic Phase-shift with Micropolarizer Array

- Array of oriented micropolarizers
- Similar to RGB color mask



- All data is gathered in a single camera frame
- Allows common path optical arrangement (no tilted beams)
- Works with broadband source (*multi-\lambda, or white light*)

Remote Cavity Application

JWST Secondary Mirror Test Configuration 80cm diameter hyperboloid surface



"Cryogenic optical testing results of JWST aspheric test plate lens" Koby Z. Smith, Timothy C. Towell, Proc. of SPIE Vol. 8126 812600-7 4DTechnol

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PhaseCam - ESPI

Measurement of nm displacement of diffuse objects at 10's meters standoff







 Peter Blake, et. al., "Spatially phase-shifted digital speckle pattern interferometry (SPS-DSPI) and cryogenic structures: recent improvements", Proceedings of SPIE Vol. 7063 2008



Other Applications and Industries

4D Technology

2014 - 40 employees

4D instruments measure surface, wavefront, and polarization, enabling our customers to:

- > Build next generation optical instruments
 - Space-based optical systems
 - Large astronomical telescopes
- Improve manufacturing of industrial and consumer products
 - Semiconductors, displays, data storage
 - Flexible electronics
- > Increase fundamental understanding
 - Bio-medical research
 - Astronomy







International Sales, Service and Support



Semiconductor and MEMS







- 193nm
- Photolithography
 - Wafer chucks

Digital micro-mirror device

FizCam – Data Storage







•Disk drive excited at 400Hz



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NanoCam

NanoCam

- > 3D Optical surface roughness critical for large optics
- Micro-scope based system
- > Dynamic Measurement operation anywhere

In-situ polishing process control (On-tool)



Courtesy of Zeeko Ltd

On-optic measurement



Courtesy Optical Surface Technologies



BioCam Quantitative Biological Imaging

•Rat cardiac myocytes – before & after medication



•Both frequency and strength are measured

PhaseCam - Ophthalmic



- Cornea measurement
- Tear film dynamics
- Optics





PolarCam

Micropolarizer Camera

- Enables whole-field, Dynamic polarimetry
 - > Wide variety of wavelengths and sensor formats
- Passive illumination
 - > Target discrimination, Image enhancement





Rock surface at a depth of 6 feet

Reference Camera

Enhanced with DoLP

PolarCam – Active Illumination

- Real-time, quantitative, independent of orientation
- Product inspection (e.g. containers, packaging, eye wear)
- 25mm diameter window: 0 70 nm birefringence



4D and NASA

NASA sponsored development has lead to:

- New Technology
- Sustained Job Creation
- Better Metrology for Telescopes
- Industrial Process Improvement
- Fundamental Science







Courtesy of Ball Aerospace



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Thank you!