# 1.5 METER TELESCOPE SYSTEM

## HIGH PERFORMANCE 1.5 METER TELESCOPE SYSTEM

### PRECISION, VERSATILITY, RELIABILITY

L-3 Brashear's 1.5 m telescope system combines the highest quality optical performance with flexible design configurations that are adaptable to a wide variety of applications.

# FOR ASTRONOMICAL APPLICATION

The Brashear 1.5 m telescope system provides the optical performance and tracking capability to meet the demands of a wide range of astronomical and scientific functions:

- Near diffraction limited performance
- Tracking at sidereal rates to within 1 degree of zenith
- High rate tracking within 5 degrees of zenith



# HIGH TRACKING RATE APPLICATIONS

Direct drive DC motors and Inductosyn™ encoders ensure precision tracking and imaging of low earth orbit satellites and other objects under the most demanding requirements.

Optional features for special tracking applications include:

- Low jitter and wobble
- Coudé path design
- Flexible control system

# 1.5 M TELESCOPE SYSTEM FEATURES

- Azimuth over elevation mount
- Rugged, field-proven construction
- Unguided auto tracking or command-guided operation
- All-reflective lens design for broad spectral coverage
- Accommodates wide variety of instrumentation at Cassegrain, Bent Cassegrain, Nasmyth and/or Coudé positions



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#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

#### **OPTICAL:**

Primary f/# System f/# Wavefront error

Encircled energy

Operational wavelengths Coatings

#### **SYSTEM:**

Azimuth slew rate Elevation slew rate Encoder resolution LOS jitter

Absolute pointing Tracking accuracy

Following error .

f/1.25 to f/2.0 f/4 to infinity

0.125 λ rms @ 632.8 nm

80% or more within 0.40 arc second @ 632.8 nm Suitable for operation from UV through mid-IR Wide range available, including high durability

20° per second 10° per second 26 bit

26 bit 0.02 arc second

2 arc sec rms for stars between 30° and 89° elevation

1 arc sec rms open loop while tracking a single star for 30 minutes

Less than 0.05 arc sec at sidereal tracking rates

### **INTERFACE:**

PC Graphical User Interface Features:

- Star calibration software
- Star or satellite tracking based on catalog, with user additions possible
- Ephemeris tracking of planets and minor planets
- Supports remote operation via Ethernet
- Real-time data interface

#### **OPTIONS:**

- Optics for Cassegrain, Bent Cassegrain, Nasmyth and/or Coudé Instrumentation
- Instrumentation rotators
- Refractive field correctors for wide field operation
- Closed loop video track

#### DOME:

Complete turnkey solutions are available tailored to meet the operational requirements and science objectives of the observatory

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