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Early Science from the Large Binocular Telescope: From Exoplanet to Reionzation



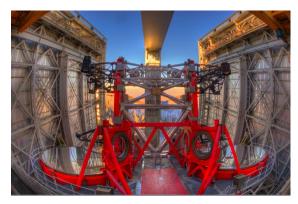
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Abstract

The Large Binocular Telescope is a large optical/IR telescope that utilizes two 8.4 meter primary mirrors, with combined light collection power of a 12 meter telescope, and resolution power of a 23 meter telescope. LBT, especially with its adaptive secondary mirrors, is also a testbed for advanced technology of the next generation large telescopes



such as the GMT. I will highlight a number of science results enabled by LBT's powerful instruments, including surveys of the most luminous galaxies and quasars in the infrared, and direct imaging of exoplanets with its unique AO system.

All are welcome! Tea, coffee, biscuits will be served at 2:45 P.M. You are welcome to nominate speakers to Shude Mao (shude.mao@gmail.com), Licai Deng (licai@bao.ac.cn), Xuelei Chen (xuelei@cosmology.bao.ac.cn).