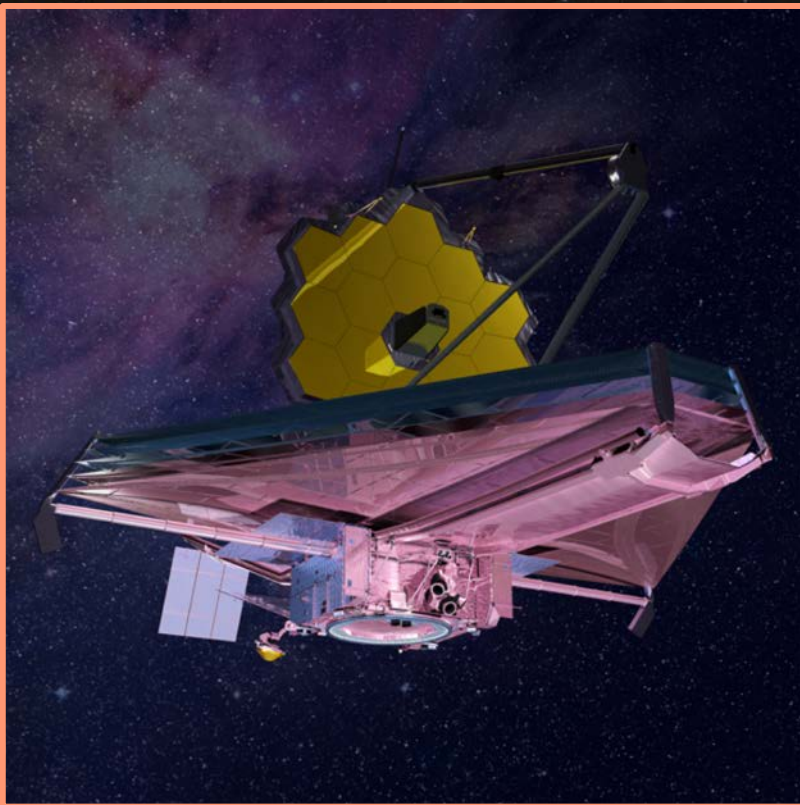
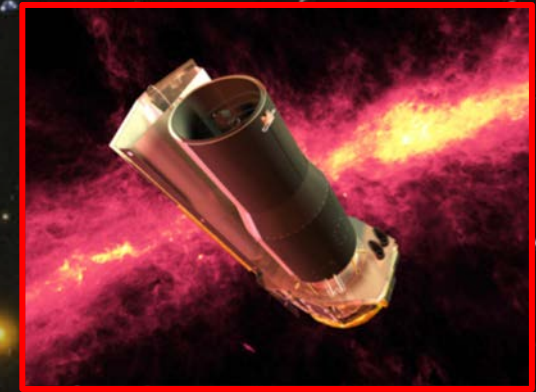




*John N. Bahcall Lecture
National Air and Space Museum
March 14 2018*



***The Earliest Galaxies: Exploring Cosmic
Sunrise with Hubble, Spitzer, and JWST***

*Garth Illingworth
University of California Santa Cruz*

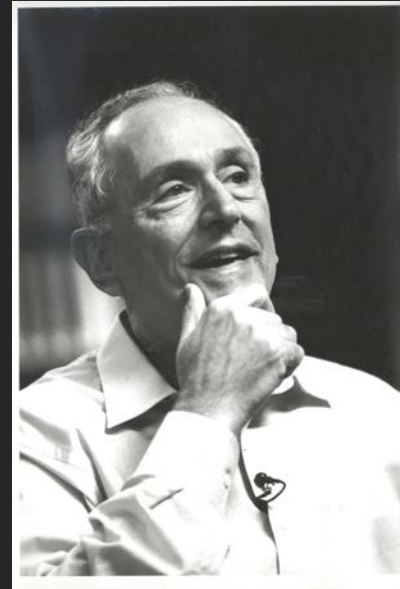
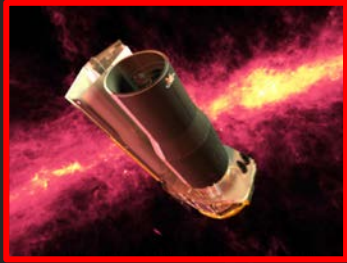
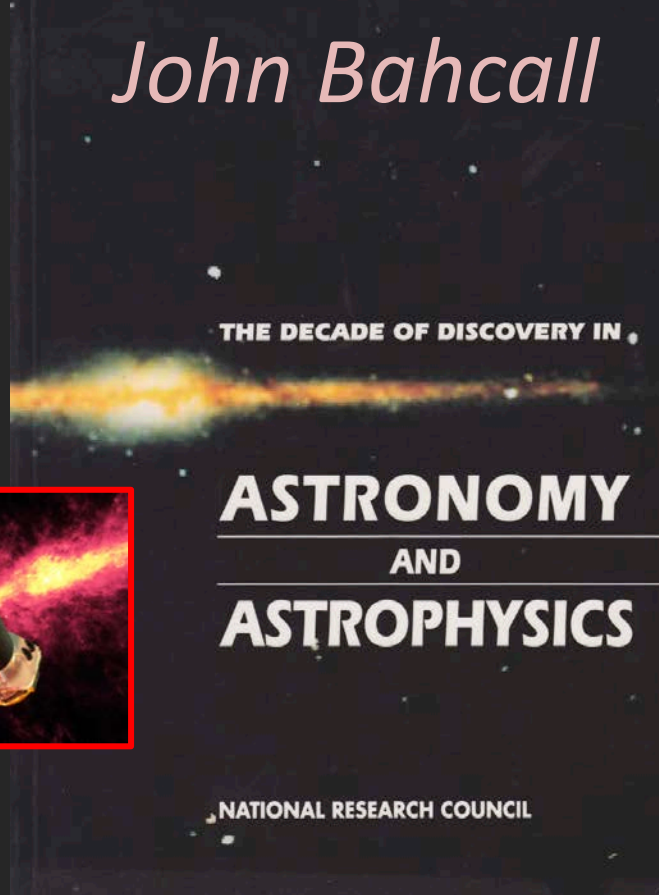
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John Bahcall



1970s—1980s John's continuing efforts to support Hubble were crucial and inspiring – and a model for what was needed from scientists for a major mission to be successful

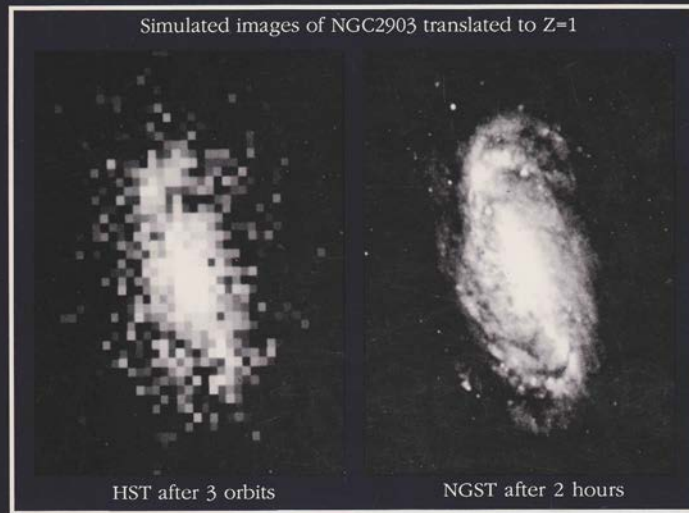
1989 – John's introductory remarks and participation in the Next Generation Space Telescope workshop

1991 – John was Chair, Astronomy Decadal Survey. I was Chair of UV-Optical in Space Panel.

NGST \Rightarrow JWST – key early events

THE NEXT GENERATION SPACE TELESCOPE

30 years from NGST mission concept to JWST launch!



Proceedings of a Workshop held at the
Space Telescope Science Institute
Baltimore, Maryland,
13-15 September 1989



1989

NASA
National Aeronautics
and Space Administration

NGST concept in mid-1980s by Pierre Bely, Peter Stockman and Garth Illingworth

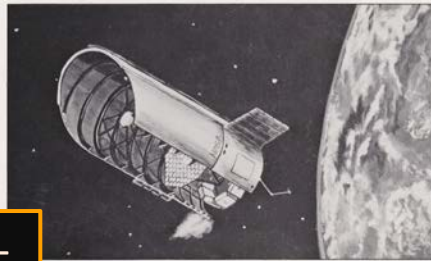
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Workshop Proceedings: Technologies for Large Filled-Aperture Telescopes in Space



September 15, 1991

JPL D-8541, Vol. 4

1991

THE DECADE OF DISCOVERY IN

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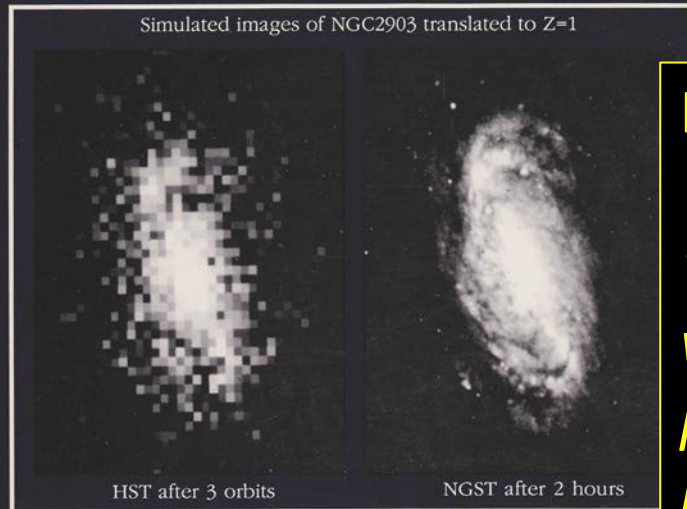
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NGST: The Early Days of JWST
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From the introduction to the 1989 NGST workshop:

“We would also like to thank John Bahcall who introduced the workshop by sharing some of his experiences with the HST project. His pertinent remarks about the dedication of those involved in the development of HST emphasized the deep and widespread commitment needed to bring about its successor.”

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“International cooperation may be critical for such a major project”. *Bahcall*

“It’s not often that we have a chance to participate in history”. *Danielson (as quoted by Bahcall)*

1991

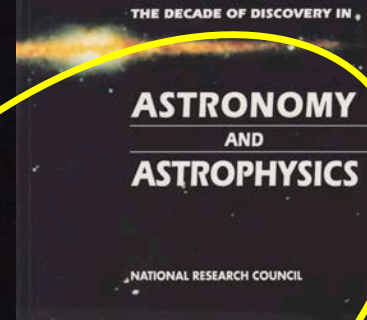
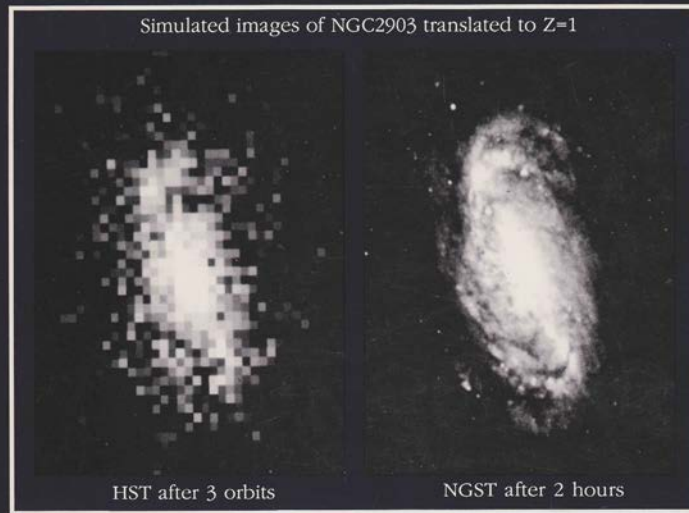
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1990 Decadal Survey: UV-Optical in Space Panel recommended:

- **6-m passively-cooled infrared telescope**
- **for launch in 2009 to a high orbit**
- **derived a cost of \$2B in FY90\$ (~\$4B in 2018\$)**

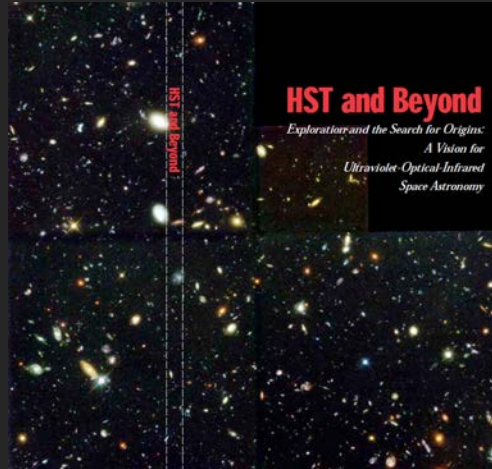
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1991

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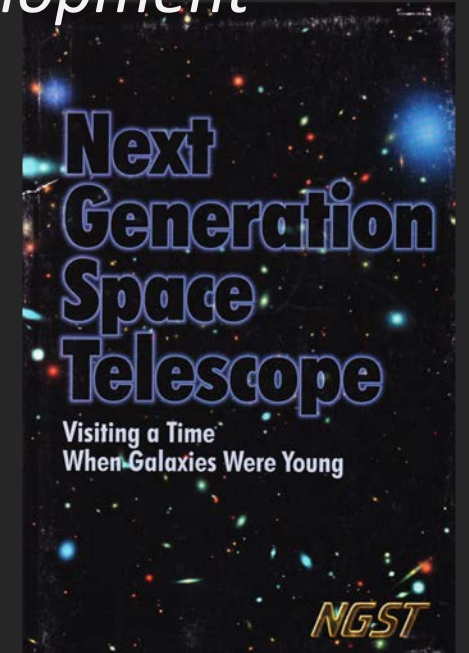
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NGST \Rightarrow JWST – key steps in the 1990s leading to development



1996: *HST and Beyond* study (chair Alan Dressler) has 3 recommendations including an IR telescope “...of aperture 4 m or larger, optimized for imaging and spectroscopy over 1-5 μm .”

1996: key step at American Astronomical Society meeting:
NASA Administrator Dan Goldin says: “I see Alan Dressler here. All he wants is a four meter optic that goes from a half micron to 20 microns. And I said to him, “Why do you ask for such a modest thing? Why not go after six or seven meters?””

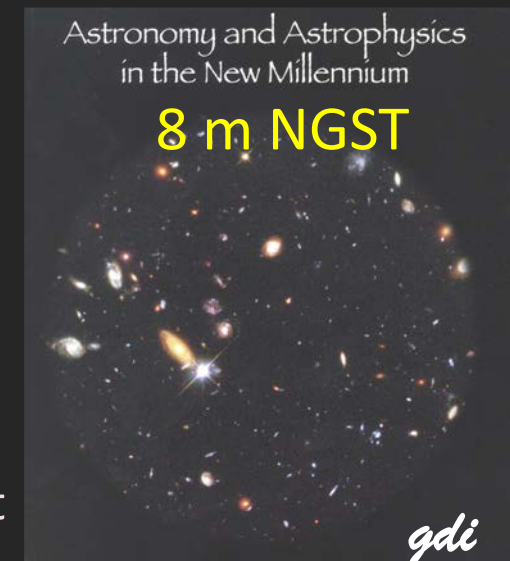


✓ Dan Goldin later says “go for 8 m” ✓

NASA Office of Space Science AA Ed Weiler requests that
Goddard Space Flight Center (GSFC) study NGST
John Mather, and many others at GSFC, take NGST forward

1999: SMD AA Weiler signs Formulation Authorization
NASA initiates NGST

2000: Astronomy Decadal survey makes 8 m NGST top space project



James Webb Space Telescope

OTE Omni

Secondary Mirror Support Structure

Frill

Secondary Mirror Assembly

Secondary Mirror

18 Segment Primary Mirror

Aft Optics Subsystem

Stationkeeping SCAT Thrusters

Spacecraft Bus Radiation Shades

-J2 Equipment Panel

Star Trackers

Spacecraft Omni

LV Adapter Ring

Gimballed Antenna Assembly

Sunshield Layer 5

Forward Spreader Bars

Sunshield Layer 1

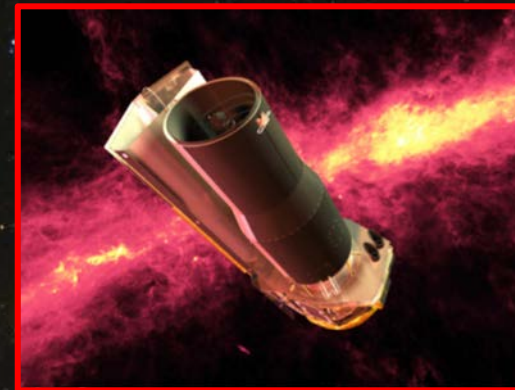
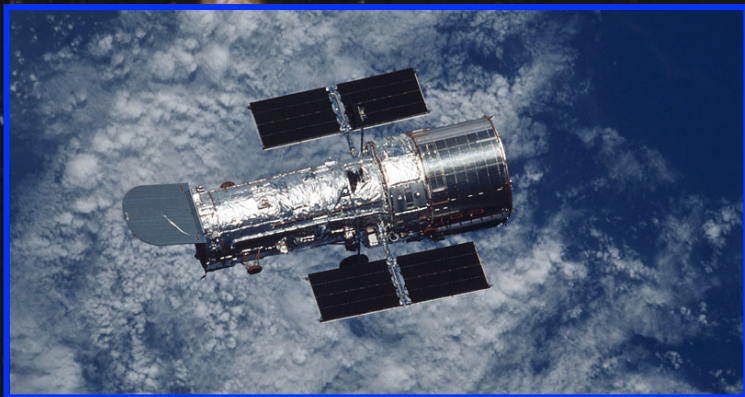
Forward UPS Assembly

Mid Boom

Mid Spreader Bar

Membrane Tensioning System

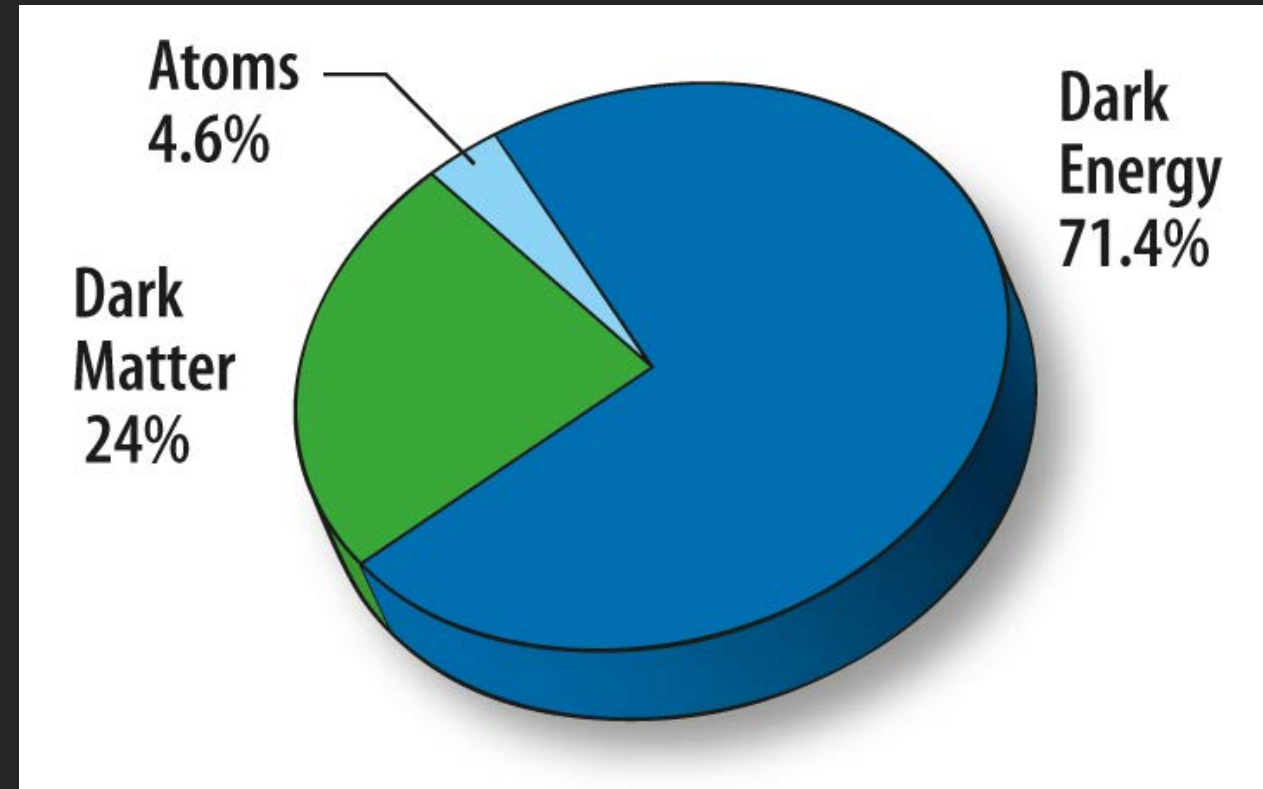
Spacecraft Bus



galaxies at cosmic dawn

our strange universe

it is all dark matter & dark energy – and a little bit of ordinary matter “icing on the cake”



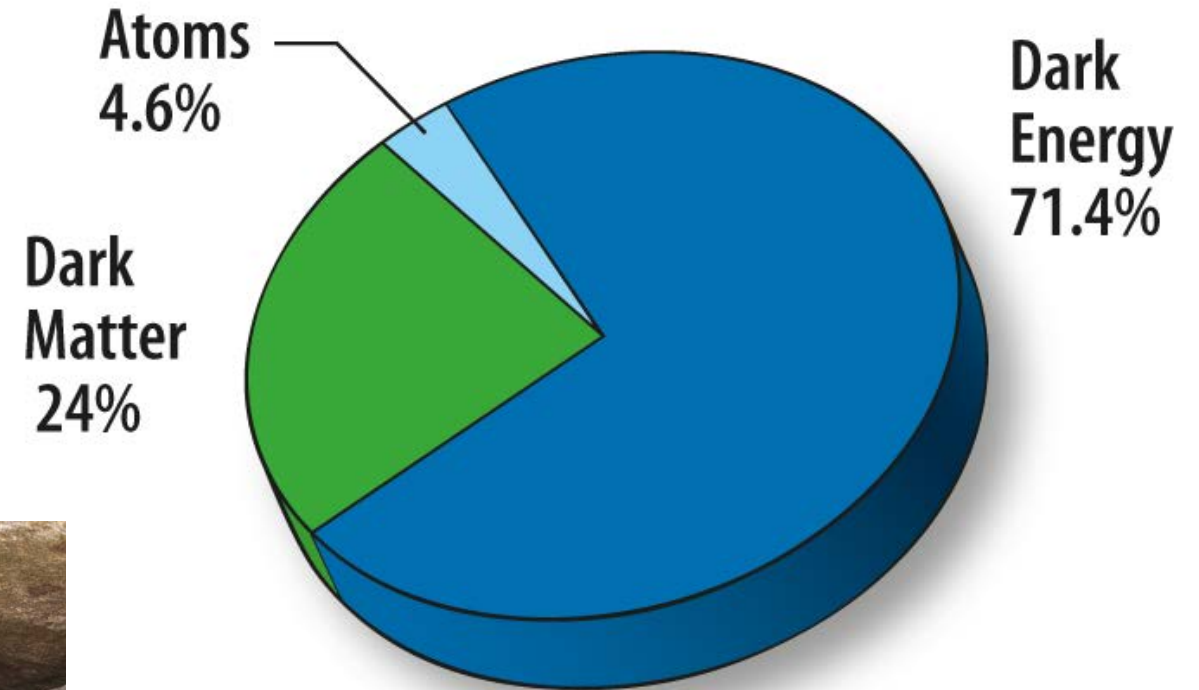
from WMAP and Planck telescopes

dark energy
and dark
matter are
the 800 lb
gorilla(s) in
the universe



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ordinary matter is, by
comparison, a bit mousey...

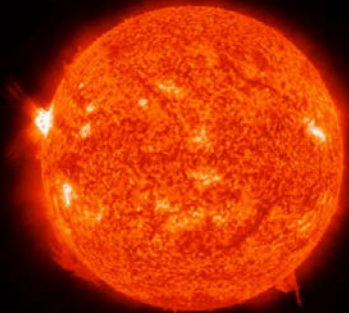


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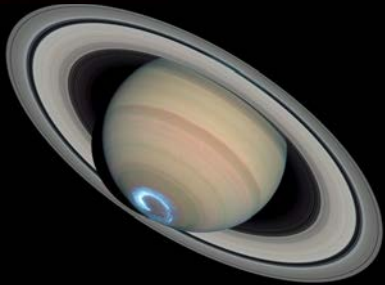
*telescopes are
"time machines"*



8.3 min



71-88 min



4.24 yrs



about 26,000 yrs



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*telescopes are
"time machines"*



2.54 million years



2.27 billion years



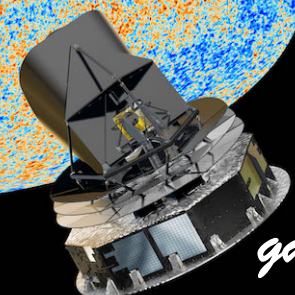
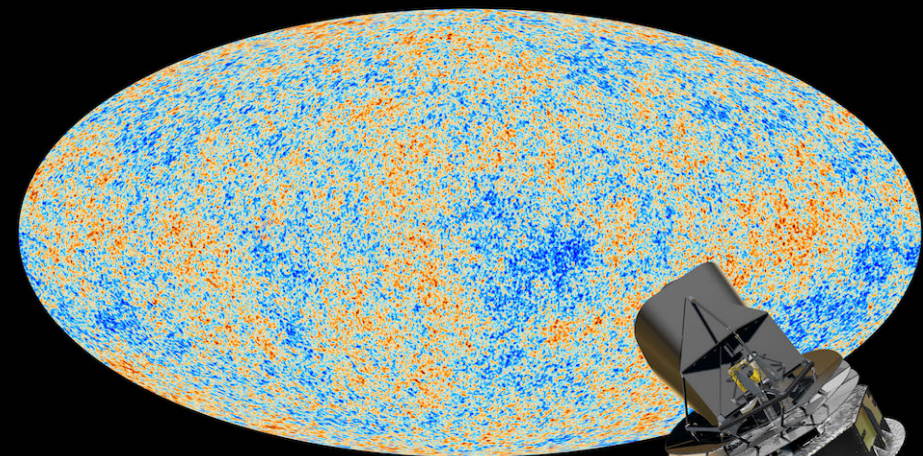
13.31 billion years



Gn-z11



13.72 billion years



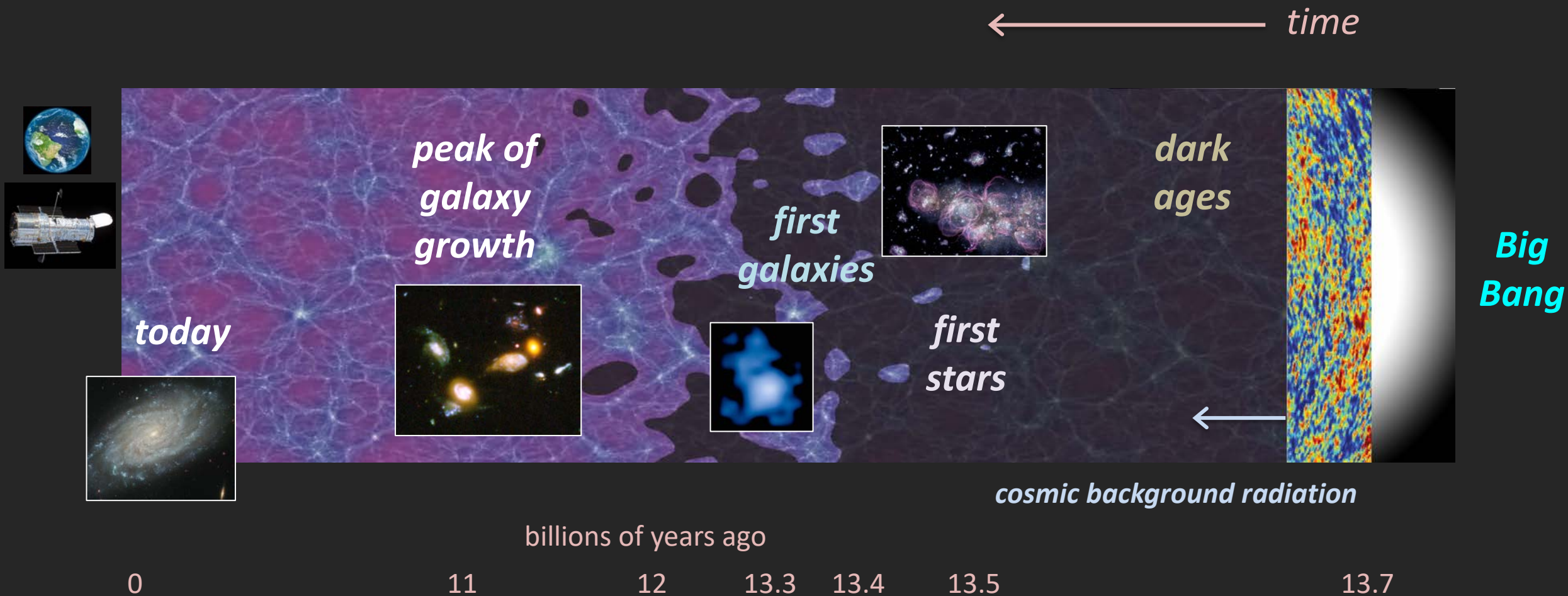
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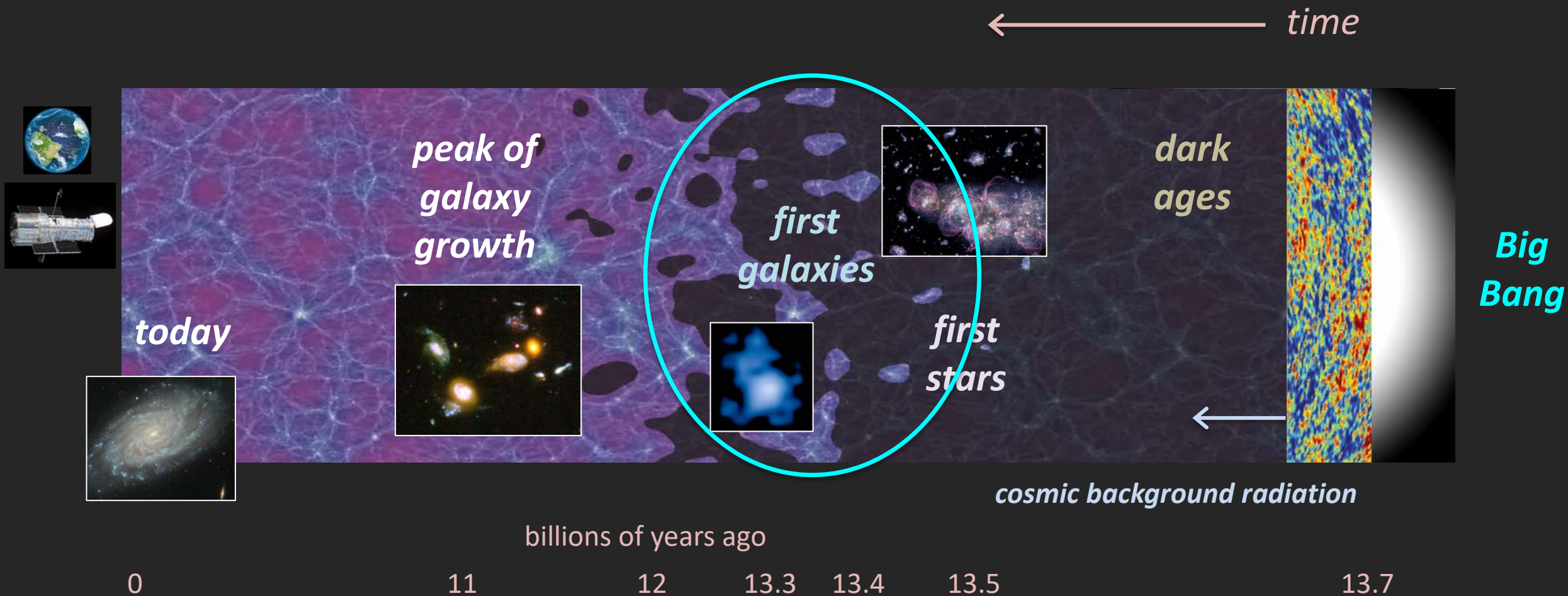
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from the Big Dipper close by in our Milky Way to the most distance galaxy known (GN-z11)

history of everything

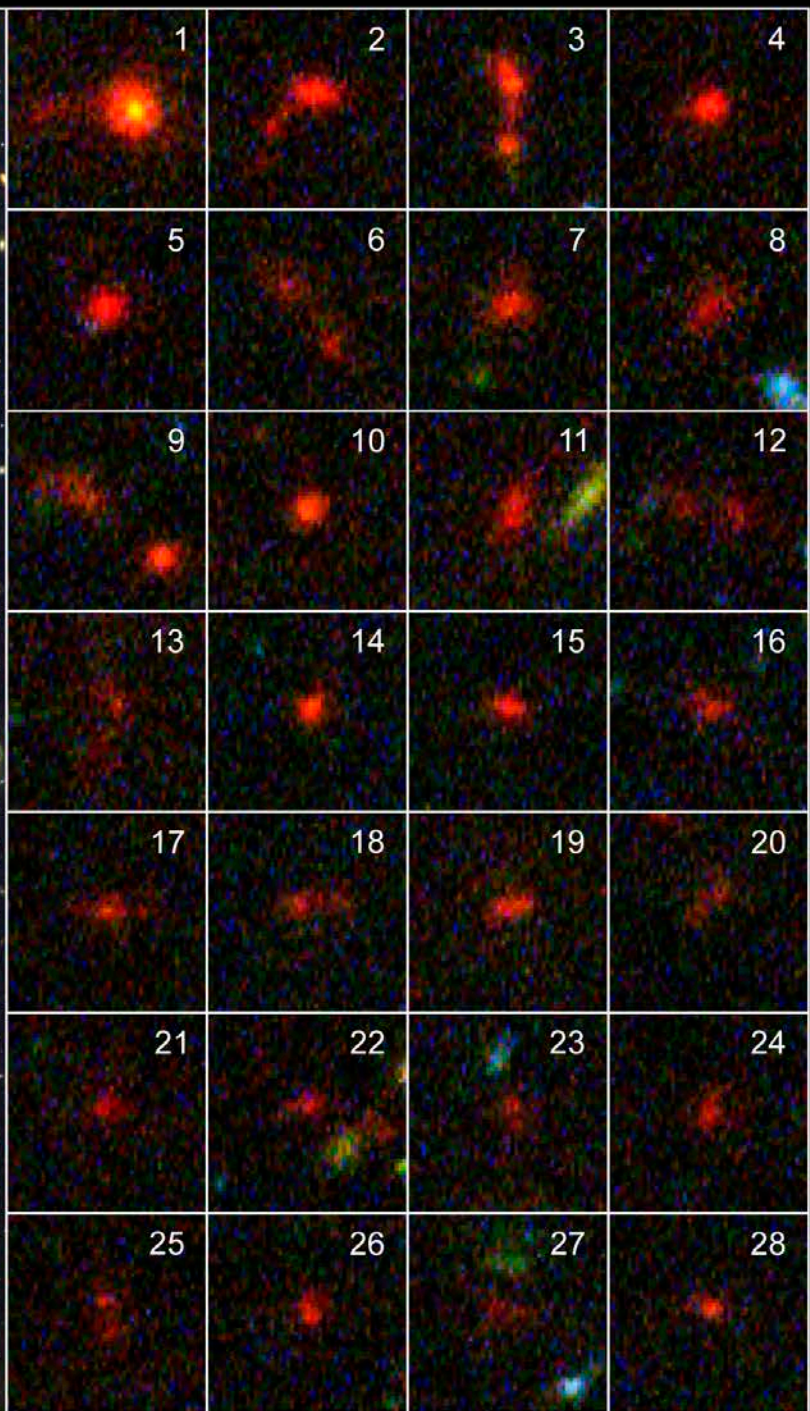


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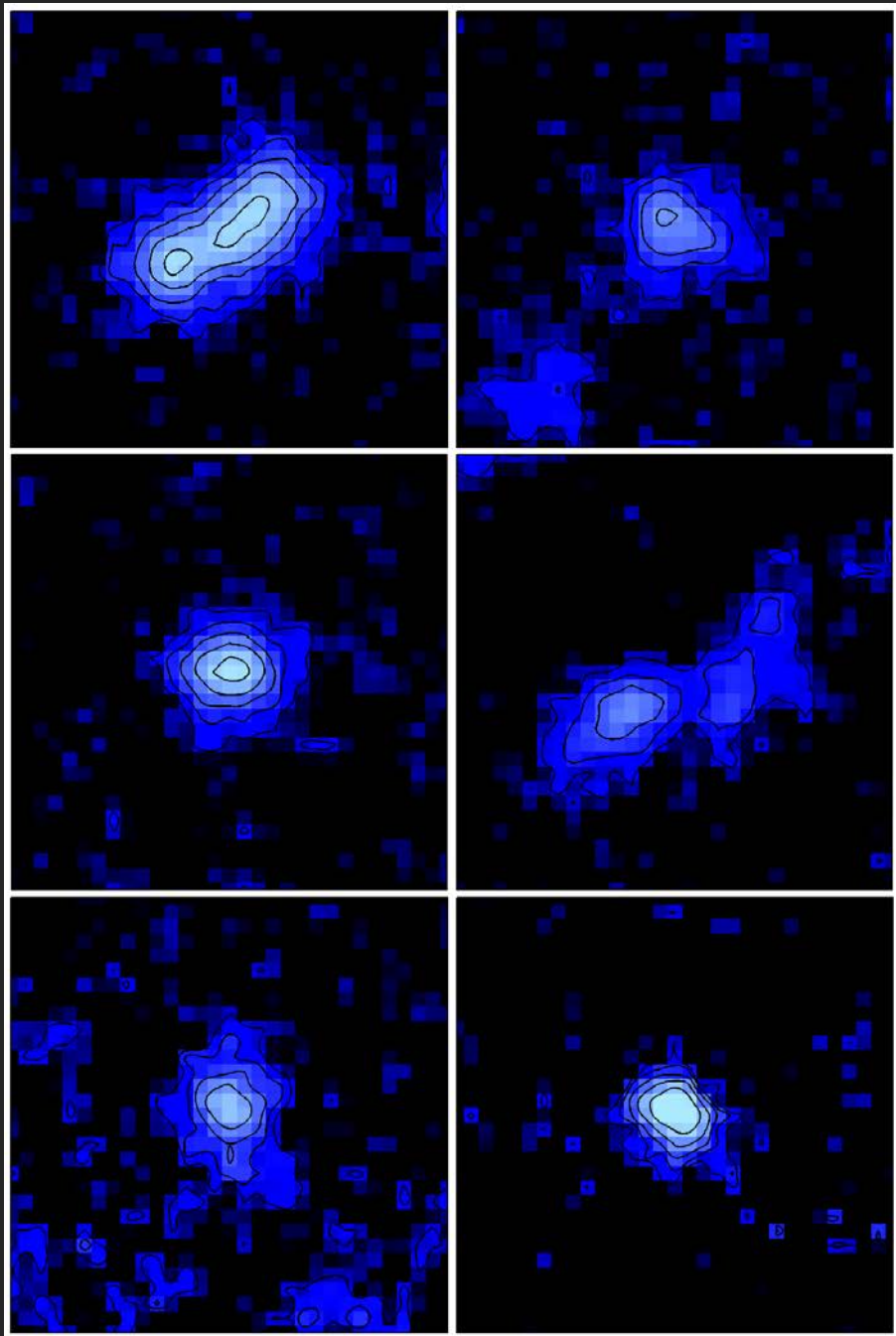


searching for distant galaxies



*very
distant
galaxies
look very
red in
our
images*

galaxies
seen 12.9
billion
years ago



*what some bright galaxies actually
looked like 13 billion years ago!*

*they are not really **red***

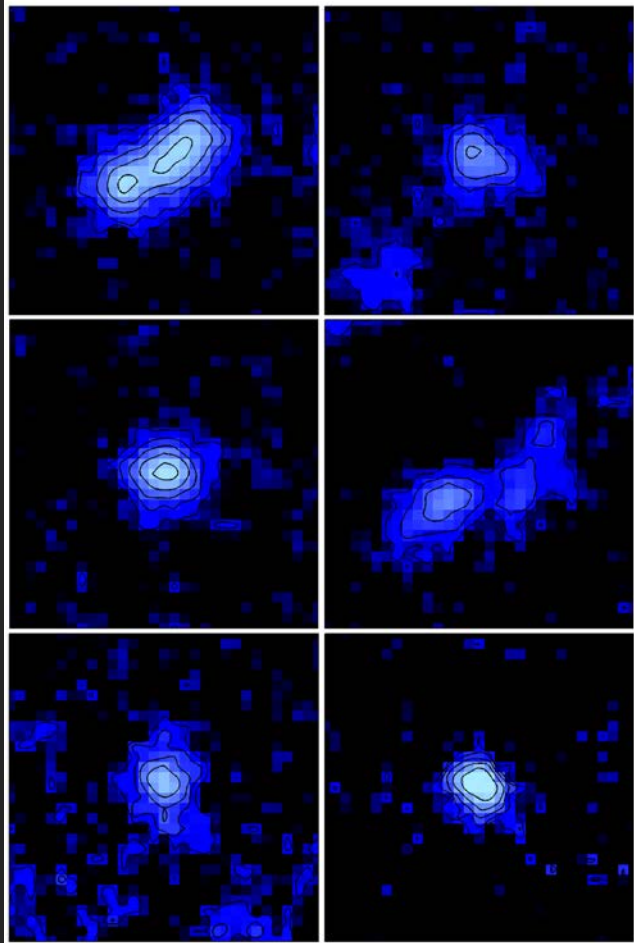
*they are actually very **blue**!*

lots of hot young blue stars

galaxies in the first billion years

bright distant galaxies

5-10,000 light years



faint distant galaxies

100-500 light years



really tiny!

faint galaxies in the
first billion years are
measured to be
very small

the “Milky Way” now

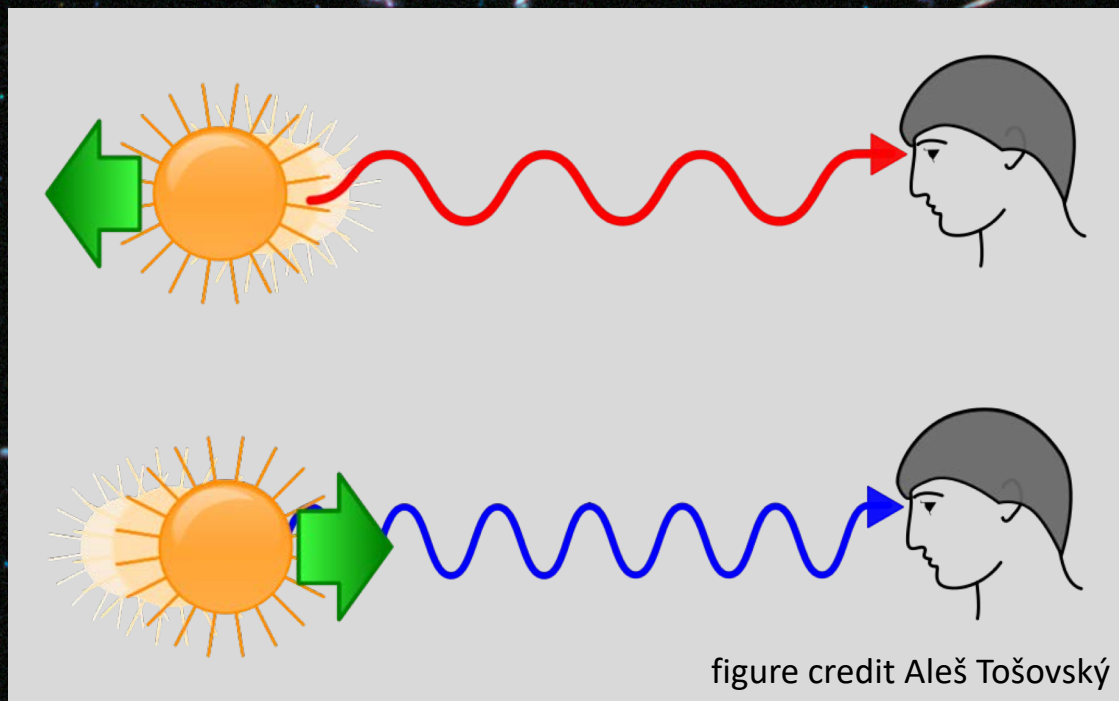
100,000 light years

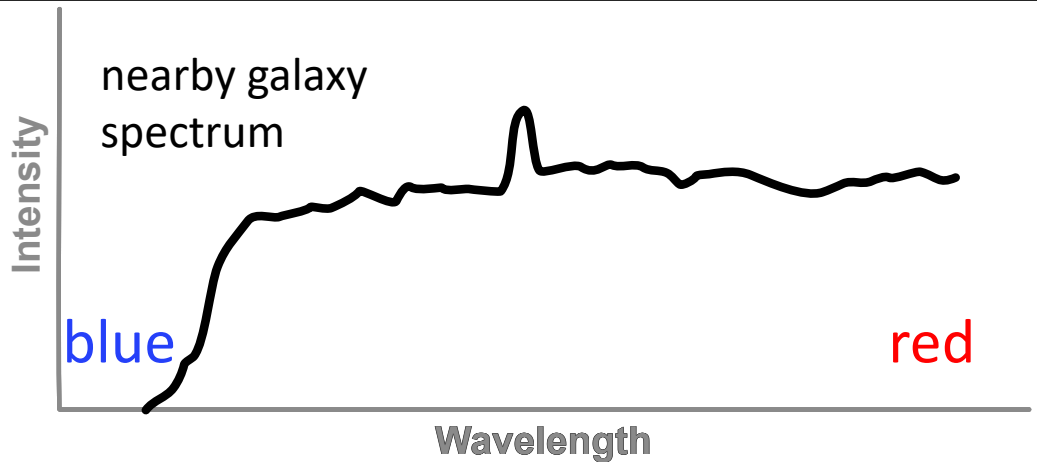


the “Milky Way” to the same scale

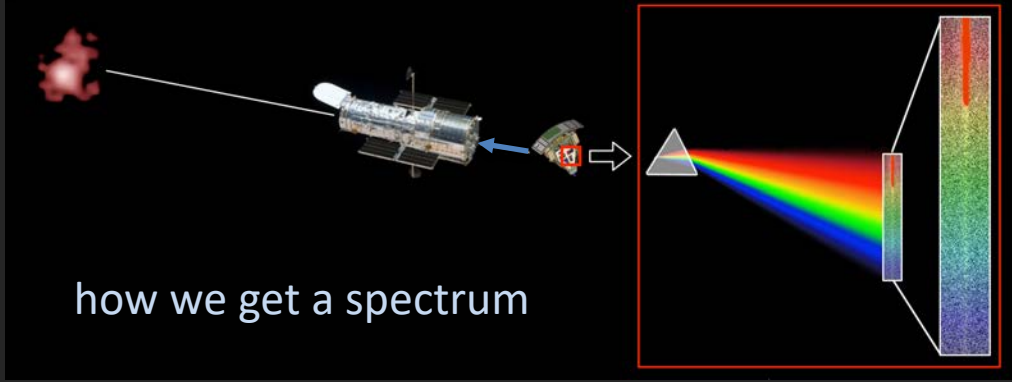
UGC-12158 – similar to the Milky Way

how we determine redshifts
for redshifts astronomers use “z”

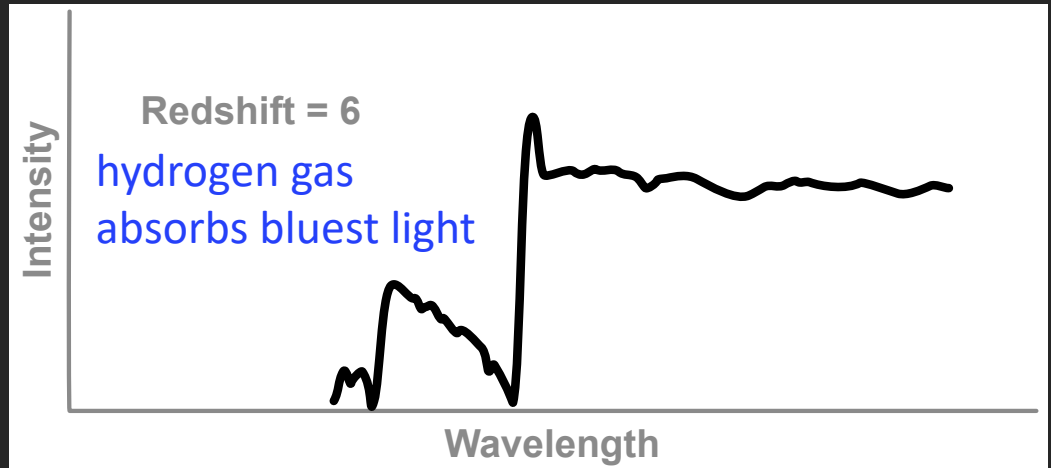




redshifts
("z")



z=6 spectrum
shifted to red



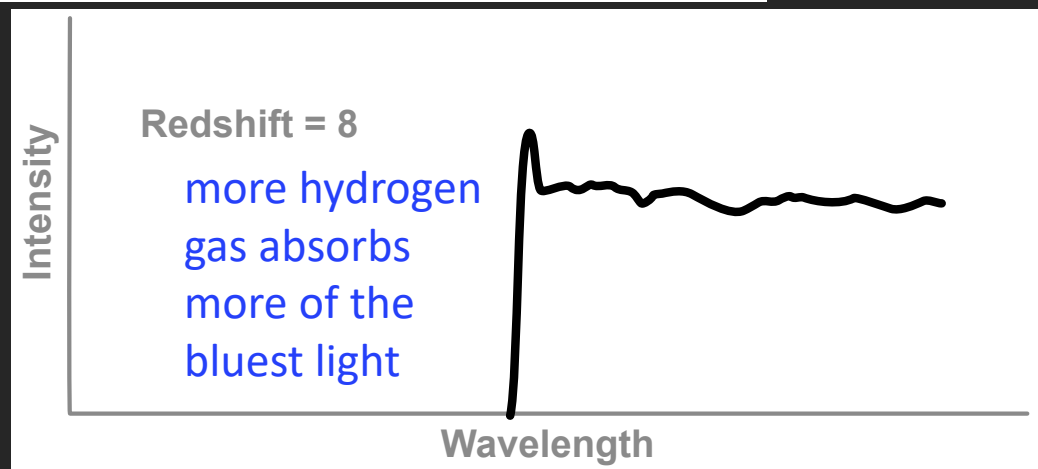
hydrogen gas in the universe
absorbs the bluest light
(ultraviolet) light from galaxies

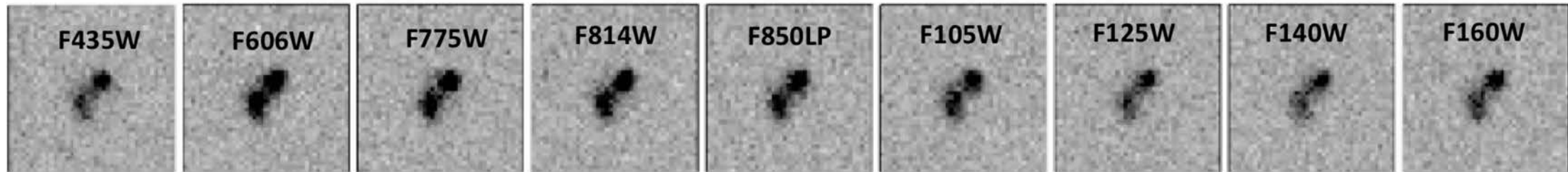
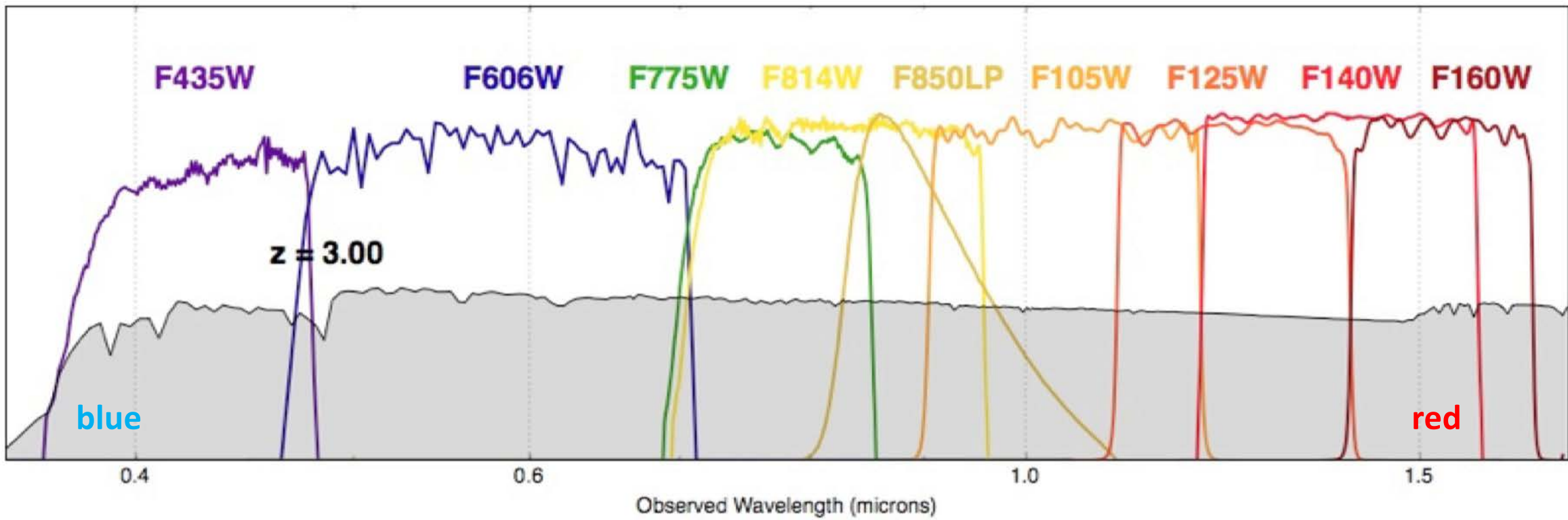
👉 find the break and it tells how
fast the galaxy is moving

👉 change in wavelength
gives redshift

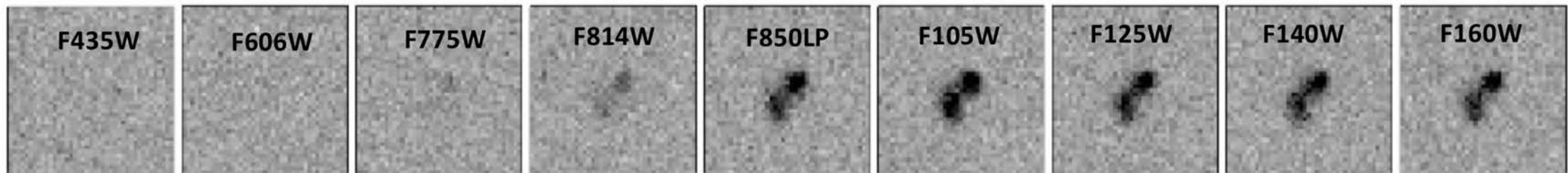
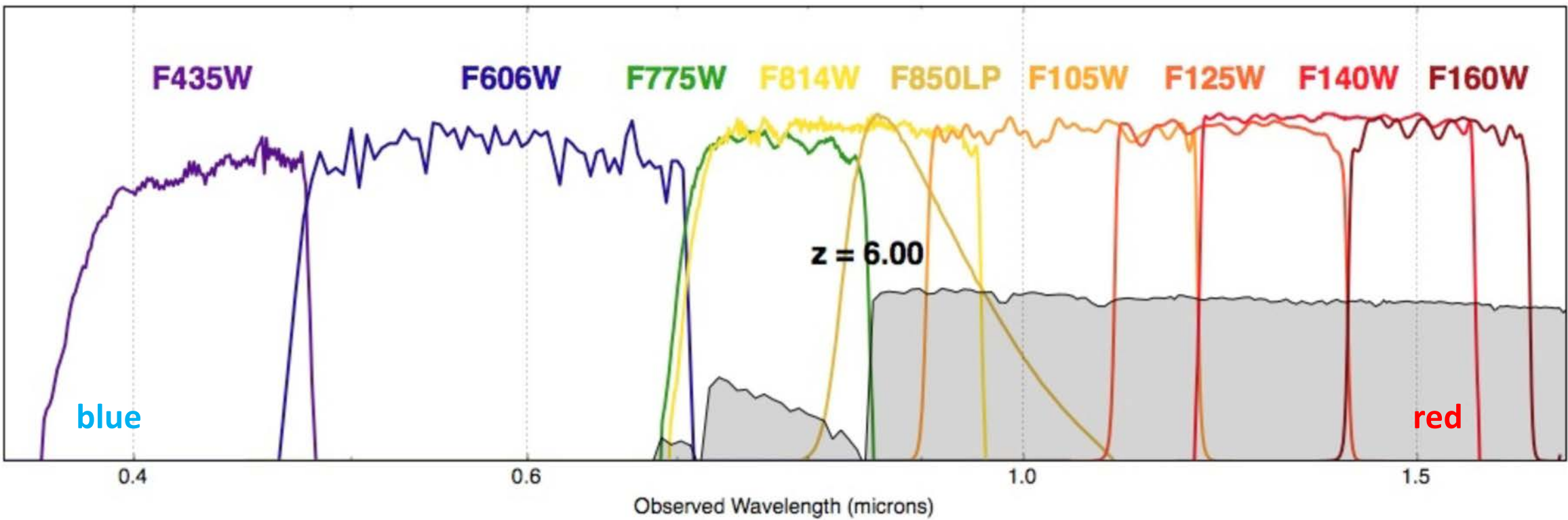
at z=6 galaxy is moving away at
96% of the speed of light!

z=8 spectrum
shifted even
more to red



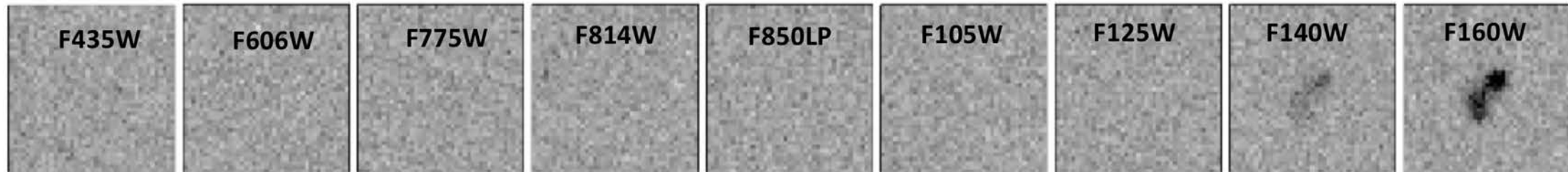
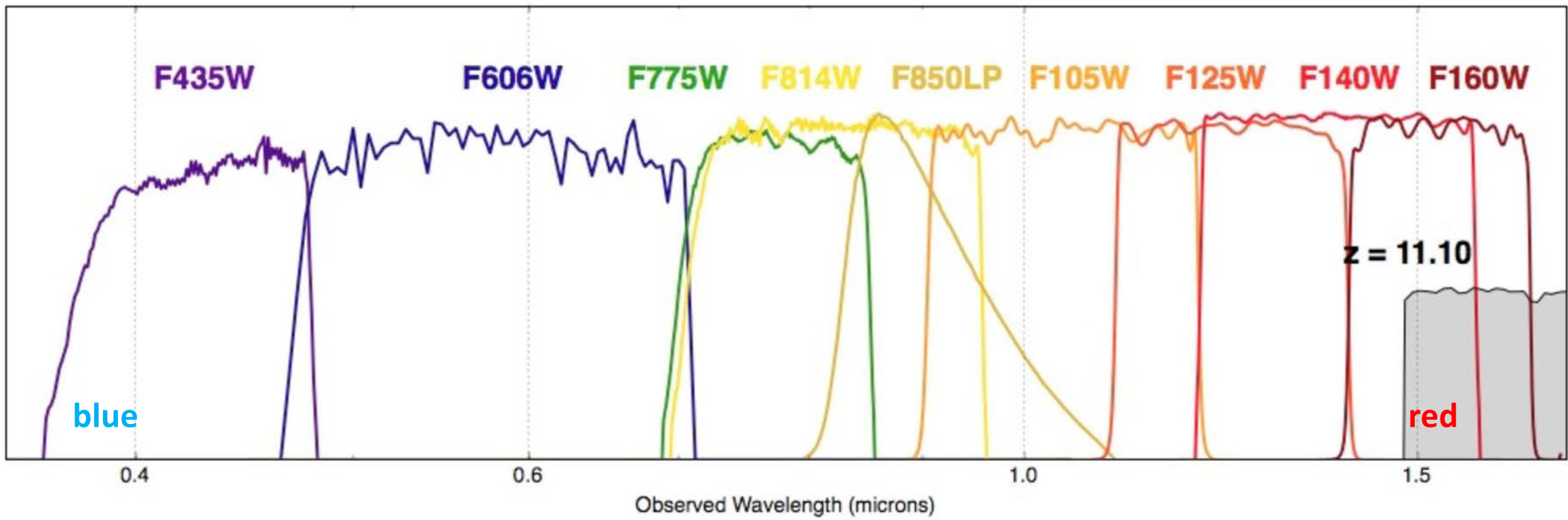


optical ACS



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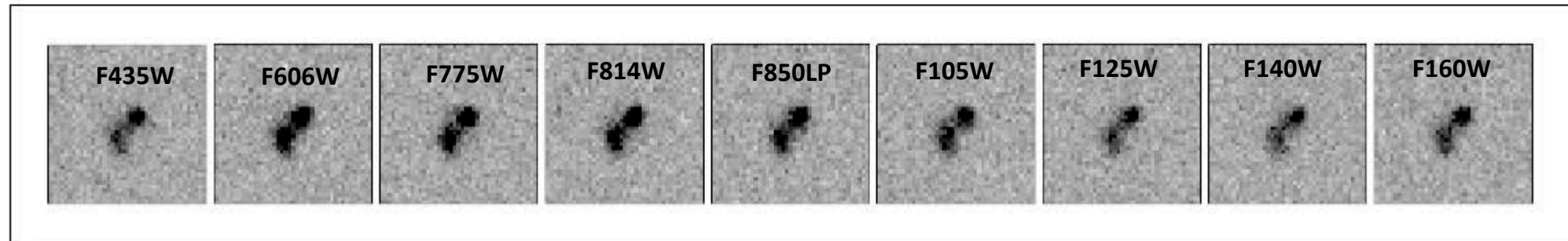
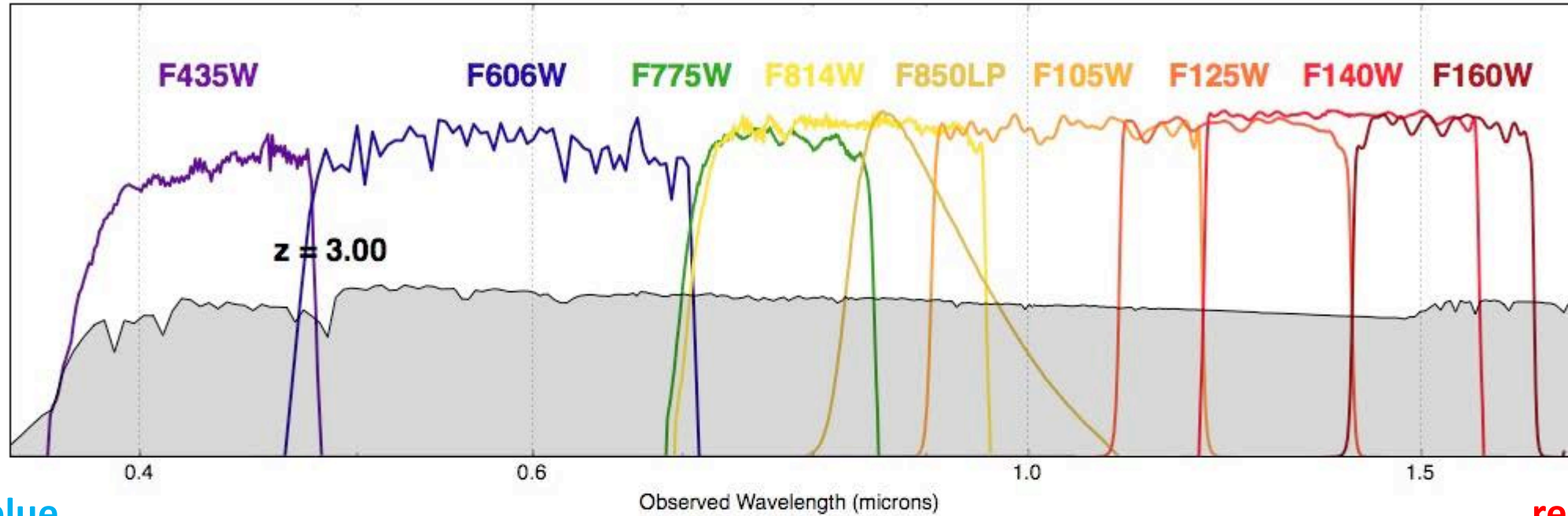
near-IR WFC3/IR



optical ACS

near-IR WFC3/IR

ACS+WFC3/IR: efficient redshifts to $z \sim 11$



optical ACS

near-IR WFC3/IR

the telescopes and cameras that enabled the exploration of the early universe

*ACS
Hubble SM3B
Mar 2002*

Advanced Camera
for Surveys (ACS):
PI Holland Ford
Deputy-PI Garth

*Spitzer
Aug 2003*

*upgraded Hubble
ACS in 2002
WFC3 in 2009*

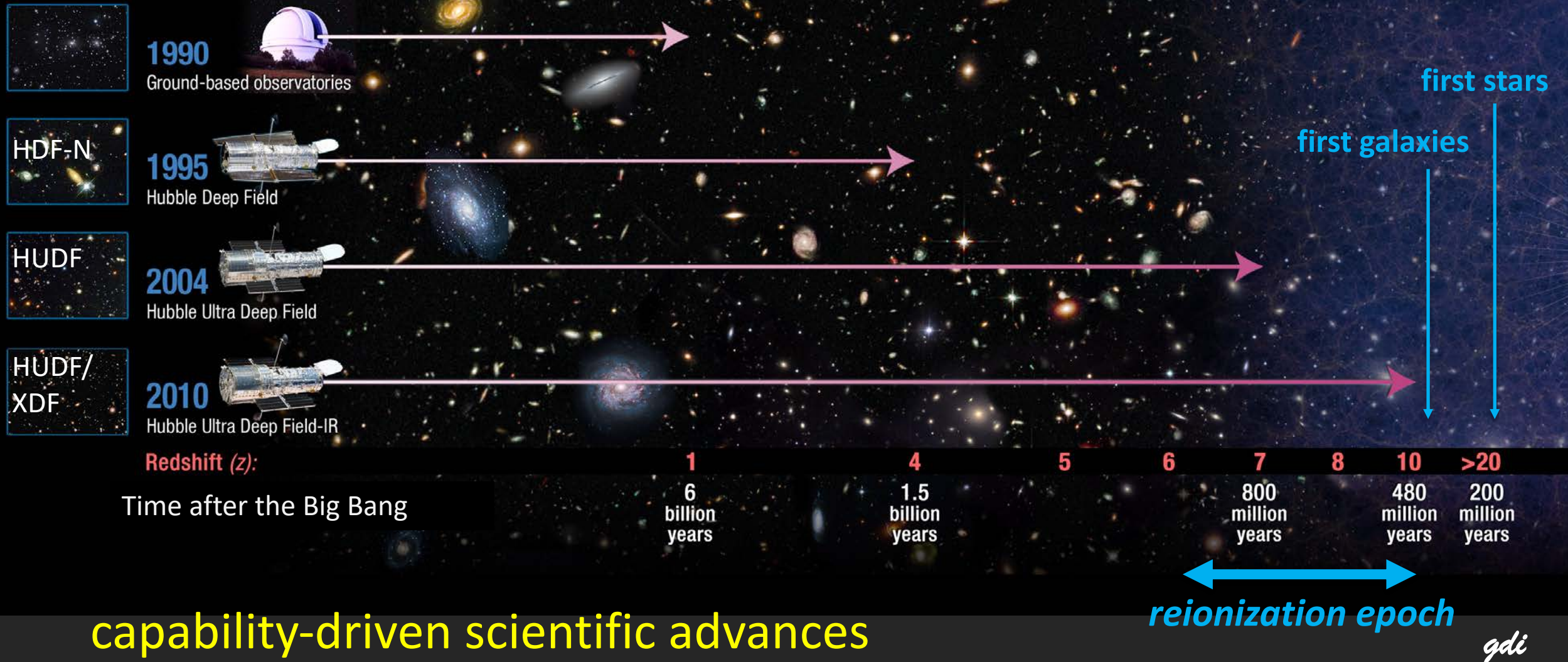
launched Spitzer in 2003

*WFC3
Hubble SM4
May 2009*

each new servicing mission resulted
in a dramatic change in our ability
to explore the early universe

redshift limits increase with new capability

Hubble Probes the Early Universe



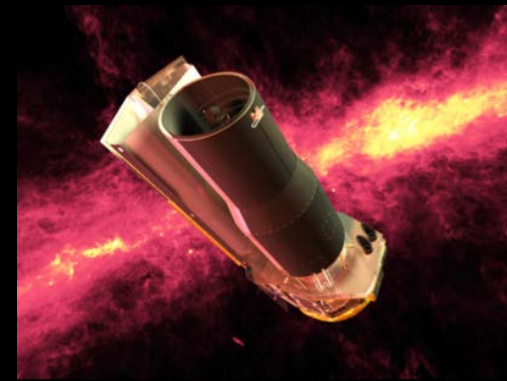
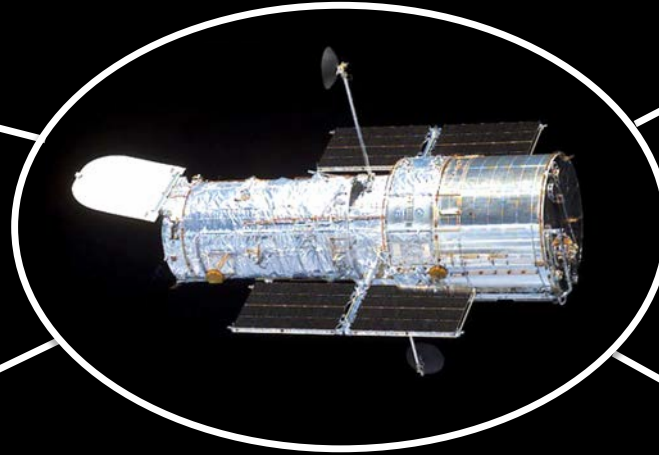
capability-driven scientific advances

Hubble's partners for distant galaxies



Chandra
Great Observatory

Hubble
Great Observatory



Spitzer
Great Observatory

VLT – Very Large telescope



Keck & Subaru telescopes



Atacama Large Millimeter Array
ALMA



JWST's partners for distant galaxies

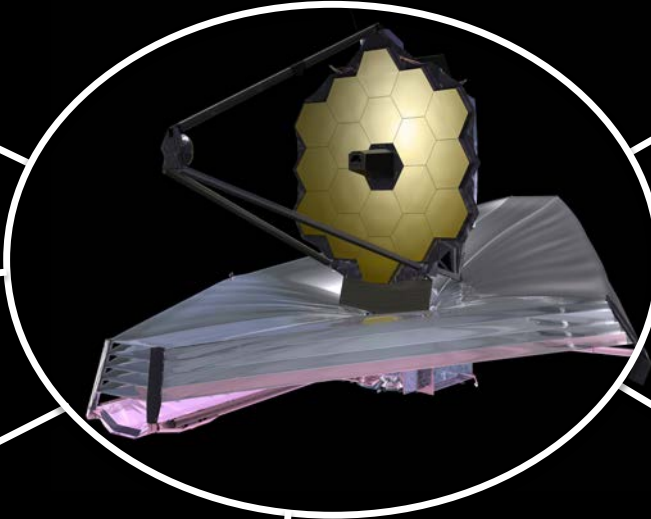
Chandra
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Hubble
Great Observatory



JWST
Greatest Observatory

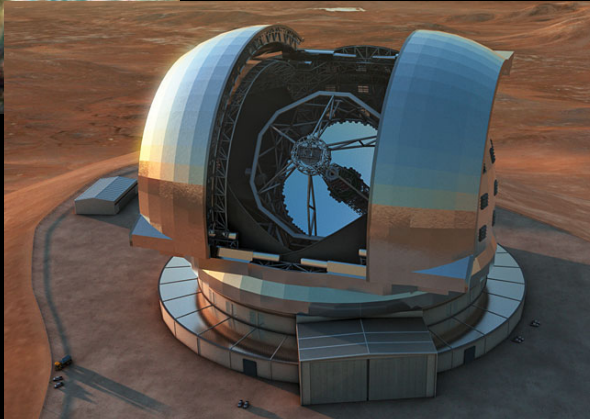


Wide Field Infrared
Survey Telescope

WFIRST
Great Observatory



European Extremely Large Telescope



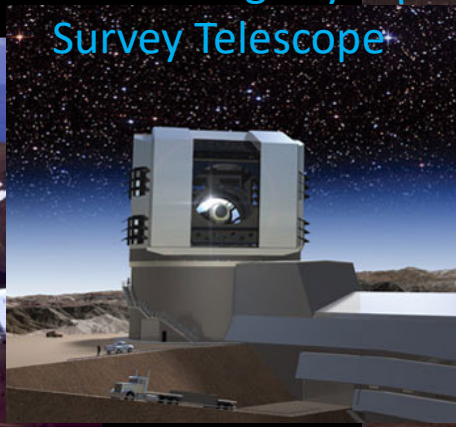
VLT – Very Large Telescopes



Keck & Subaru



LSST – Large Synoptic
Survey Telescope



Atacama Large Millimeter Array
ALMA





started with
HDF-N in
Dec 1995

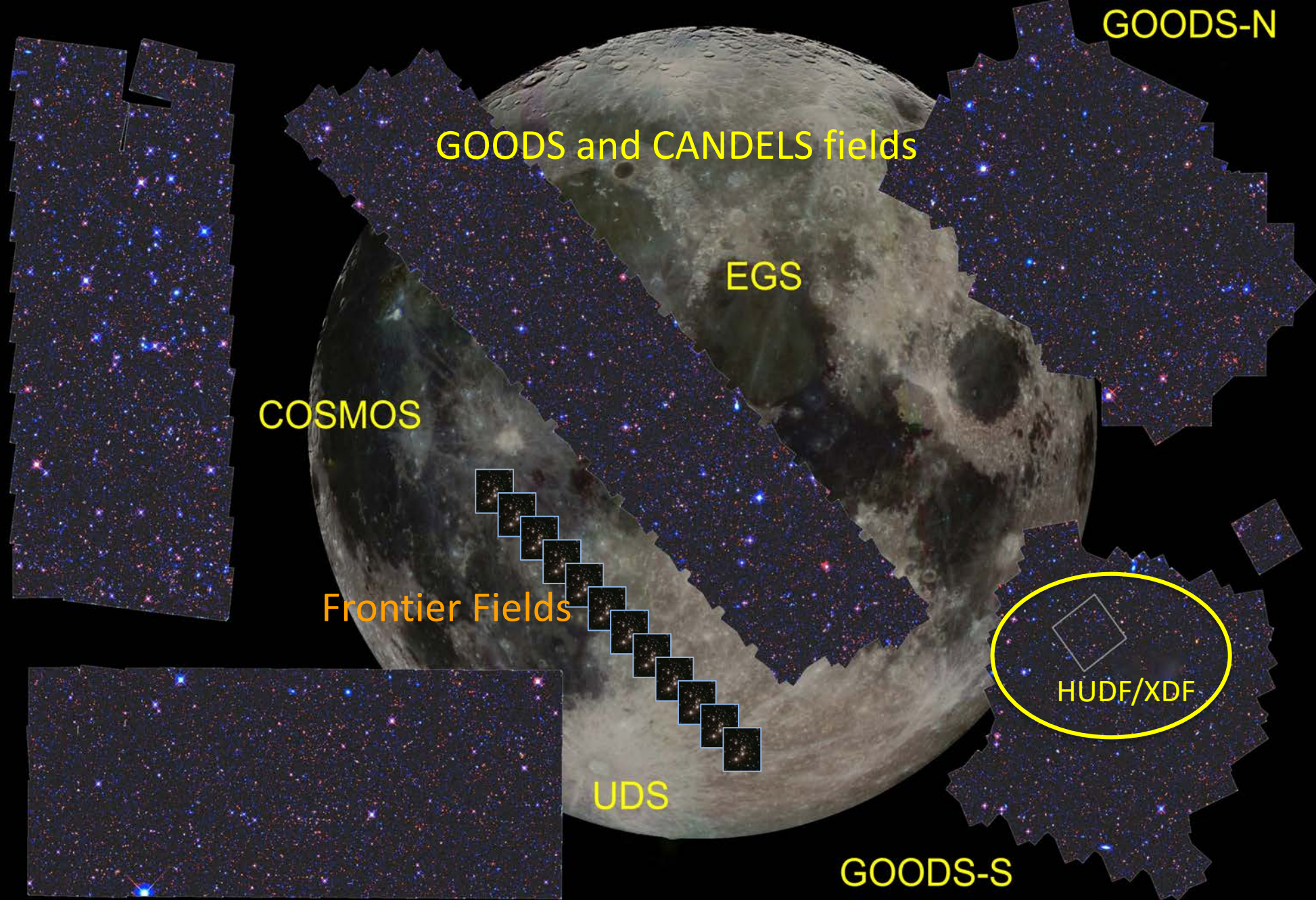
*the survey images used for
high-redshift galaxy studies*

Hubble Deep Field

ST ScI OPO January 15, 1996 R. Williams and the HDF Team (ST ScI) and NASA

HST WFPC2

*Hubble
and
Spitzer
survey
fields for
high-
redshift
galaxies*



HUDF: Hubble Ultra-Deep Field

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XDF/HUDF (eXtreme Deep Field)

deepest ever Hubble image

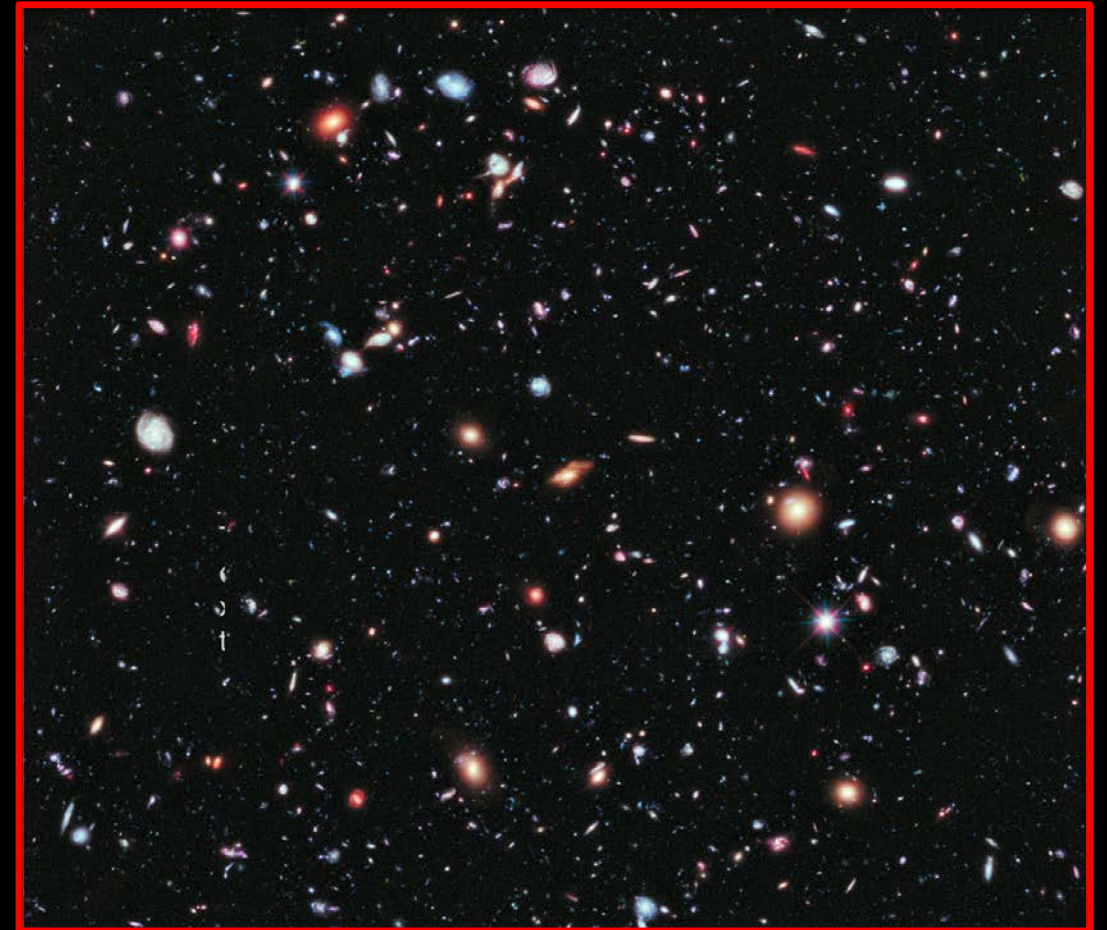
2963 HST images

from 800 orbits of Hubble

for a 23 day total exposure on the HUDF!

*all optical ACS data and all infrared WFC3/IR data
on the HUDF from 2003-2013 from 19 programs*

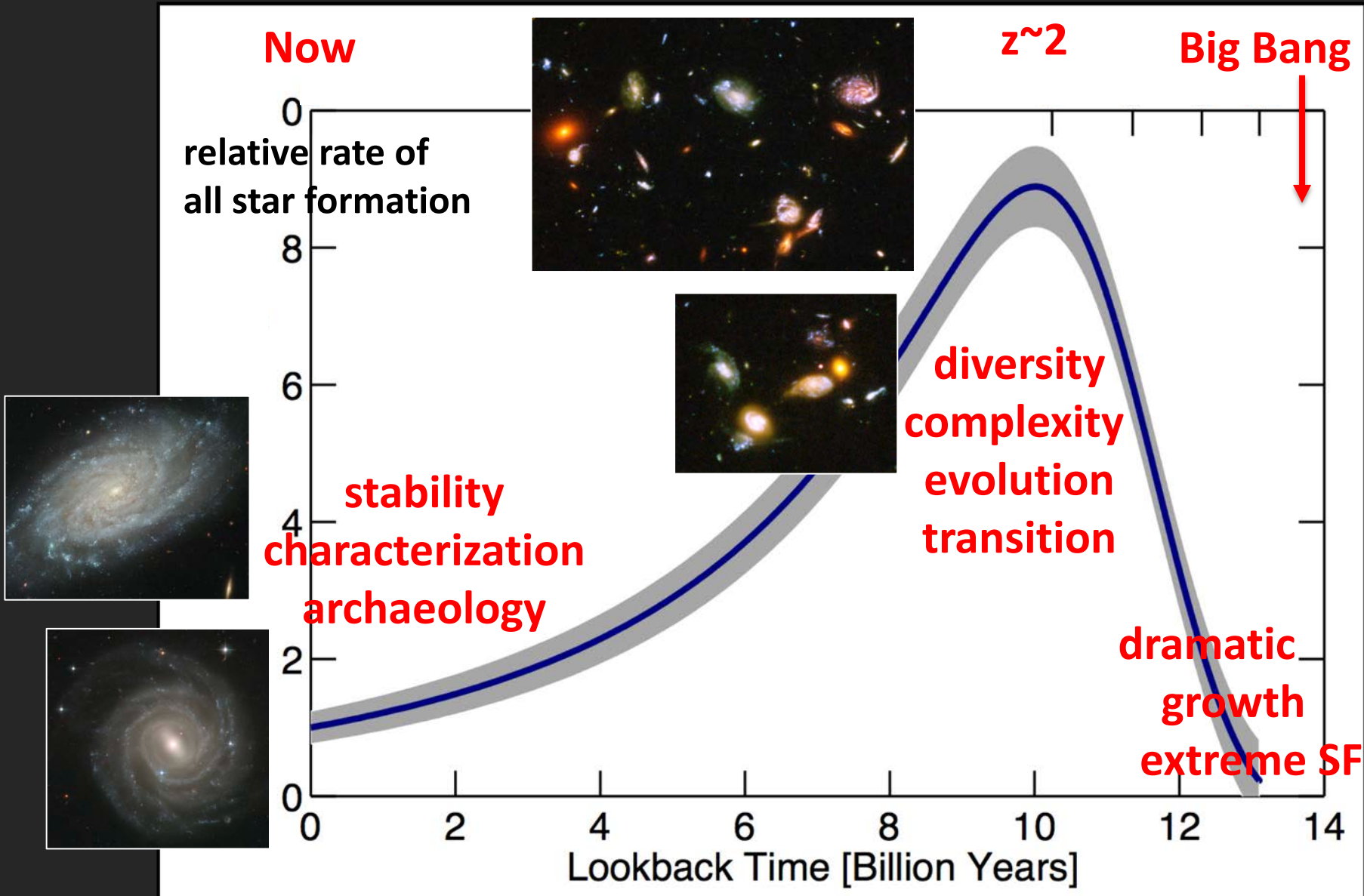
HUBBLE SPACE TELESCOPE
XDF ■ EXTREME DEEP FIELD



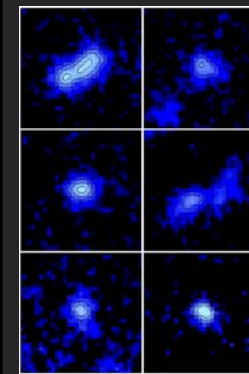
A decade of imaging on the Hubble Ultra Deep Field
The deepest image of the Universe

2012
NASA, ESA,
G. ILLINGWORTH, D. MAGEE, AND P. DESCH (UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA CRUZ),
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cosmic star formation over all time

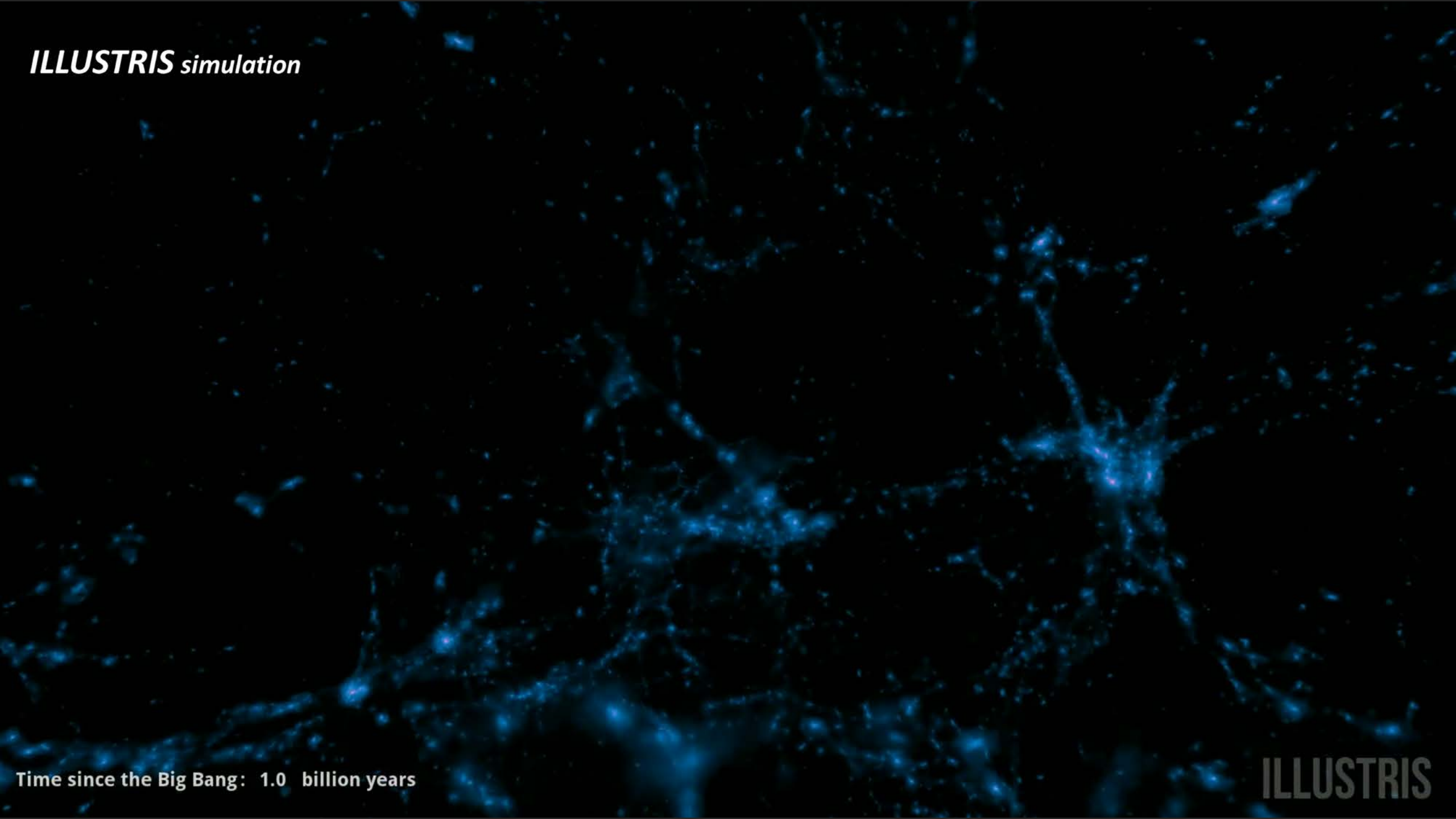


*dramatic change
over time of how
many stars are
forming in the
universe*



linear figure credit:
Pascal Oesch

ILLUSTRIS *simulation*



Time since the Big Bang: 1.0 billion years

ILLUSTRIS

JWST is mainly infrared

Hubble is mainly optical

why are we going to the infrared?



visible light

why we
go to
the
infrared

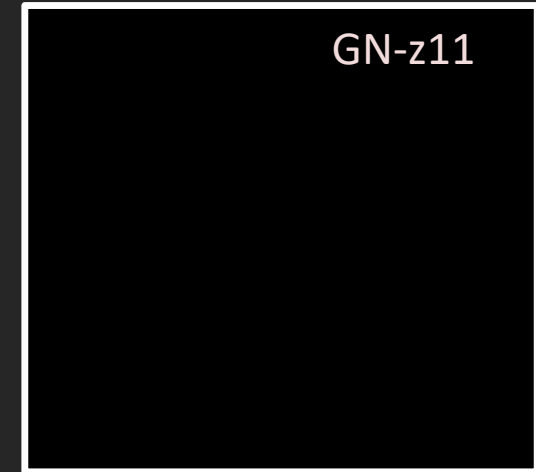
*"Pillars of
Creation"*



infrared light

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why we
must
go to
the
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to reach the "first galaxies"

this is the most distant galaxy that we know

and this is what it looks like a visible image

why we
must
go to
the
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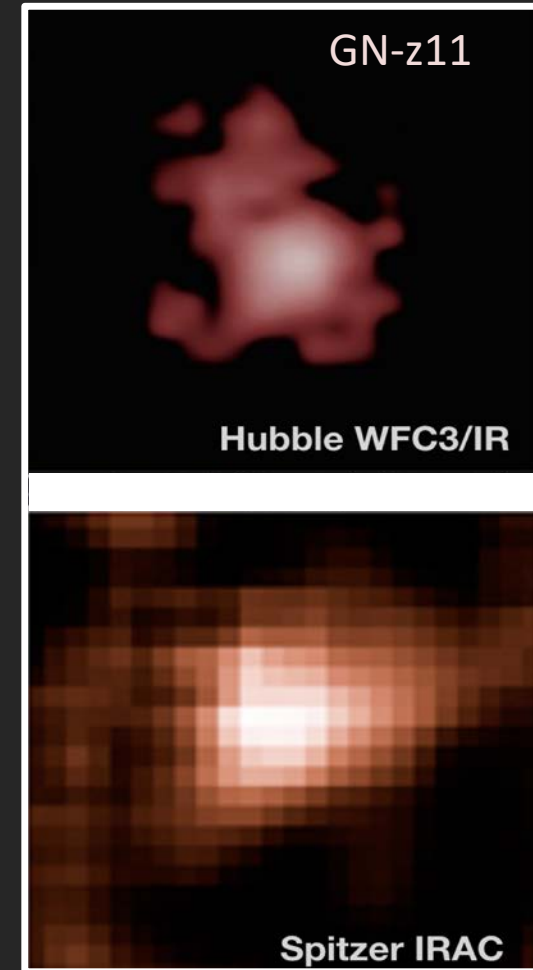


to reach the “first galaxies”

this is the most distant galaxy that we know

and it can only be seen in infrared images

*the even more distant “first galaxies” can
only be seen in the infrared*



history of everything

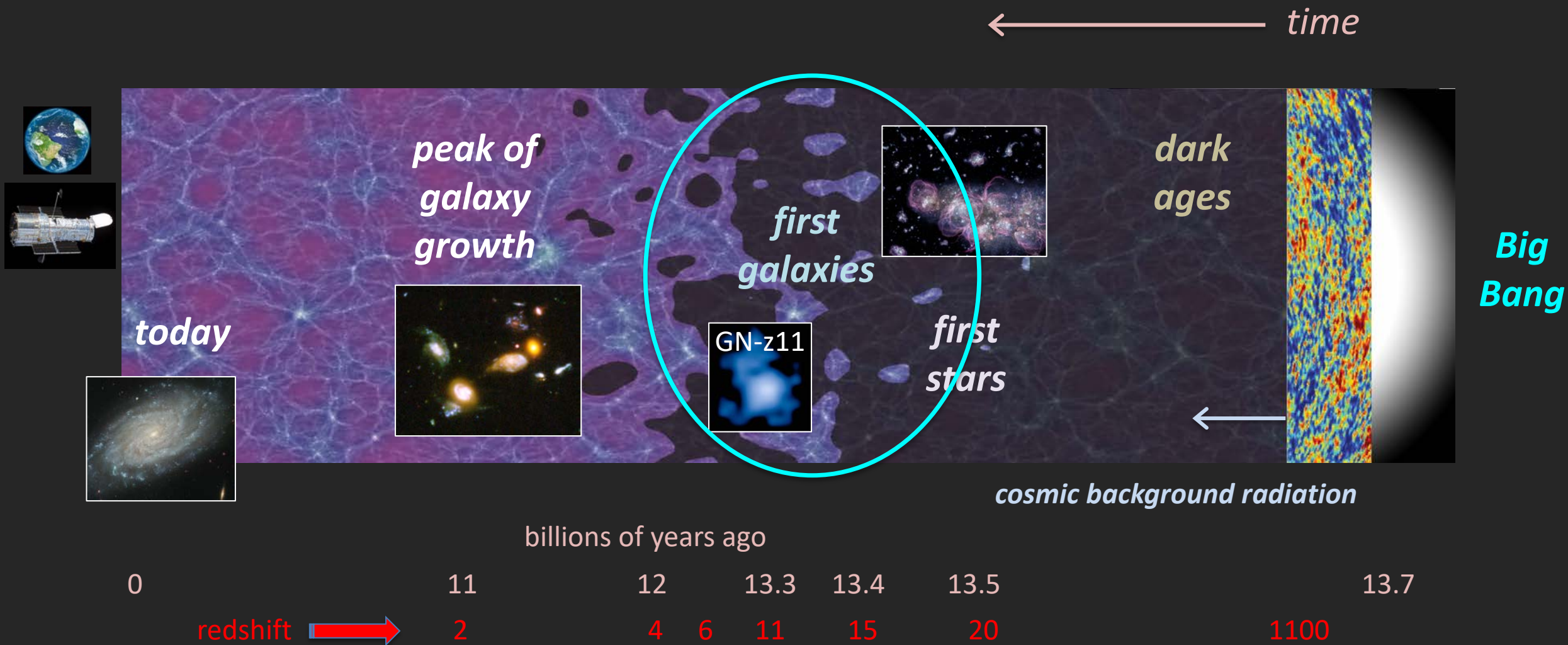


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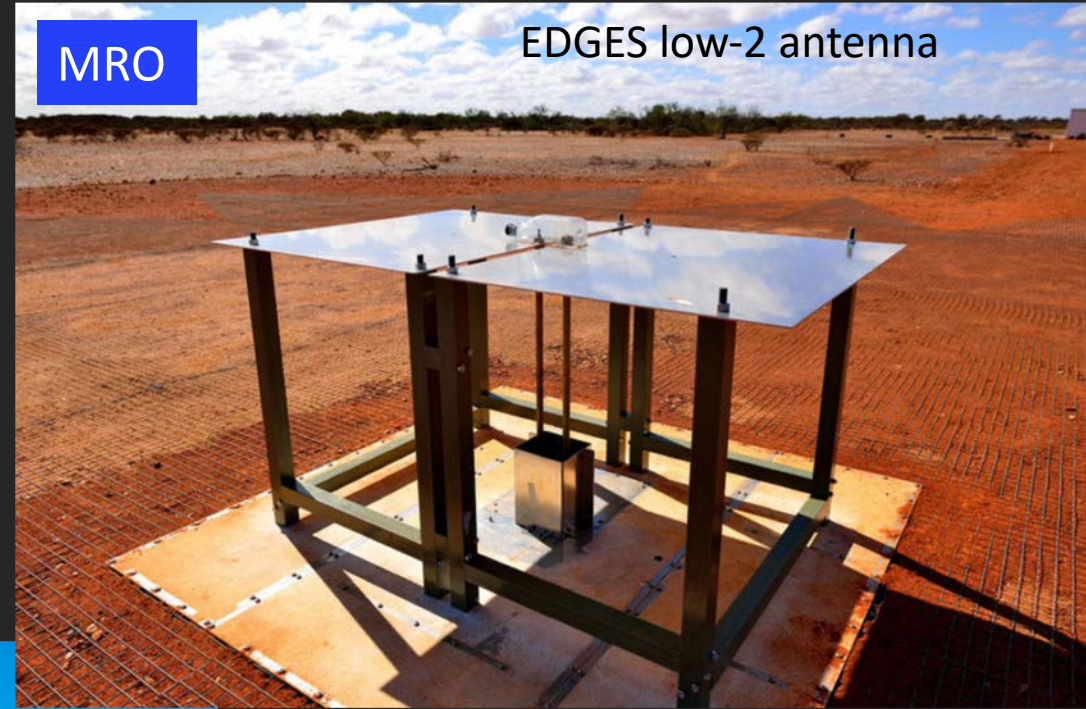
*first evidence for when the “first stars”
started to shine brightly*

found by these funny-looking (and small) radio
antennae in the desert of Western Australia....

Experiment to Detect the Global Epoch of Reionization Signature

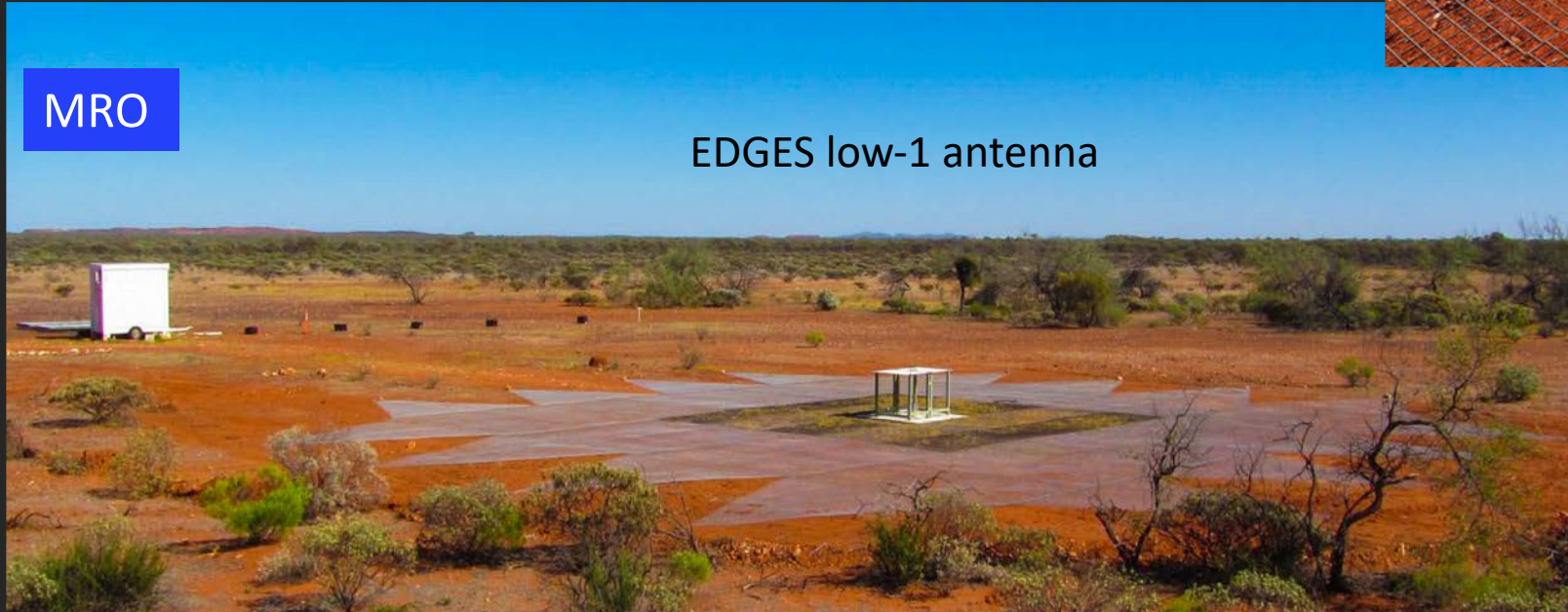
MRO

EDGES low-2 antenna



MRO

EDGES low-1 antenna



NEW RESULT

**published March 01
Nature**



Bowman, Rogers,
Monsalve, Mozdzen
& Mahesh

Murchison Radio-astronomy Observatory (MRO) in Western Australia

National Science Foundation

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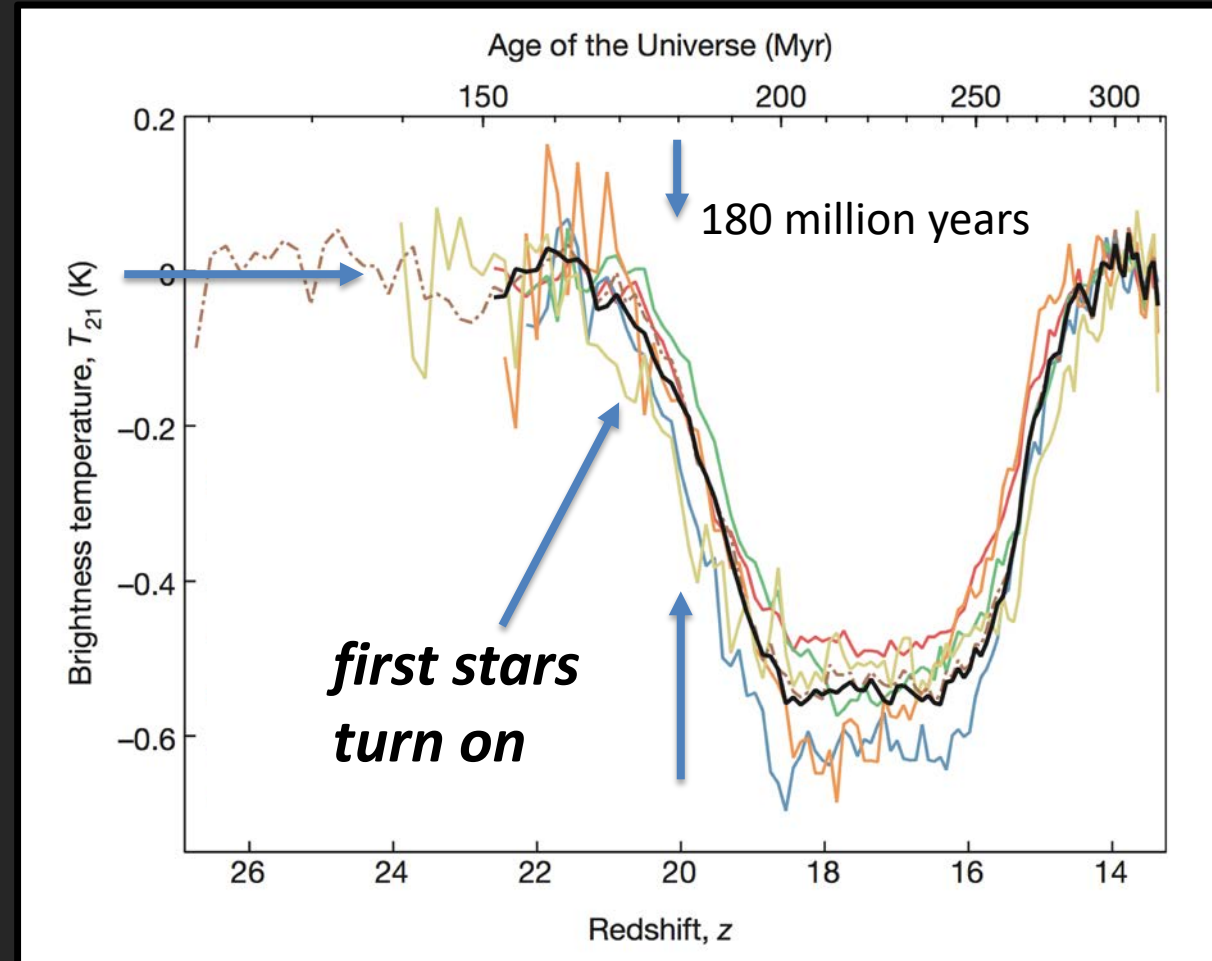
cosmic
microwave
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NEW RESULT

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is this correct?

confirmation?



first stars become prominent at redshift $z \sim 20$ (~ 180 million years)

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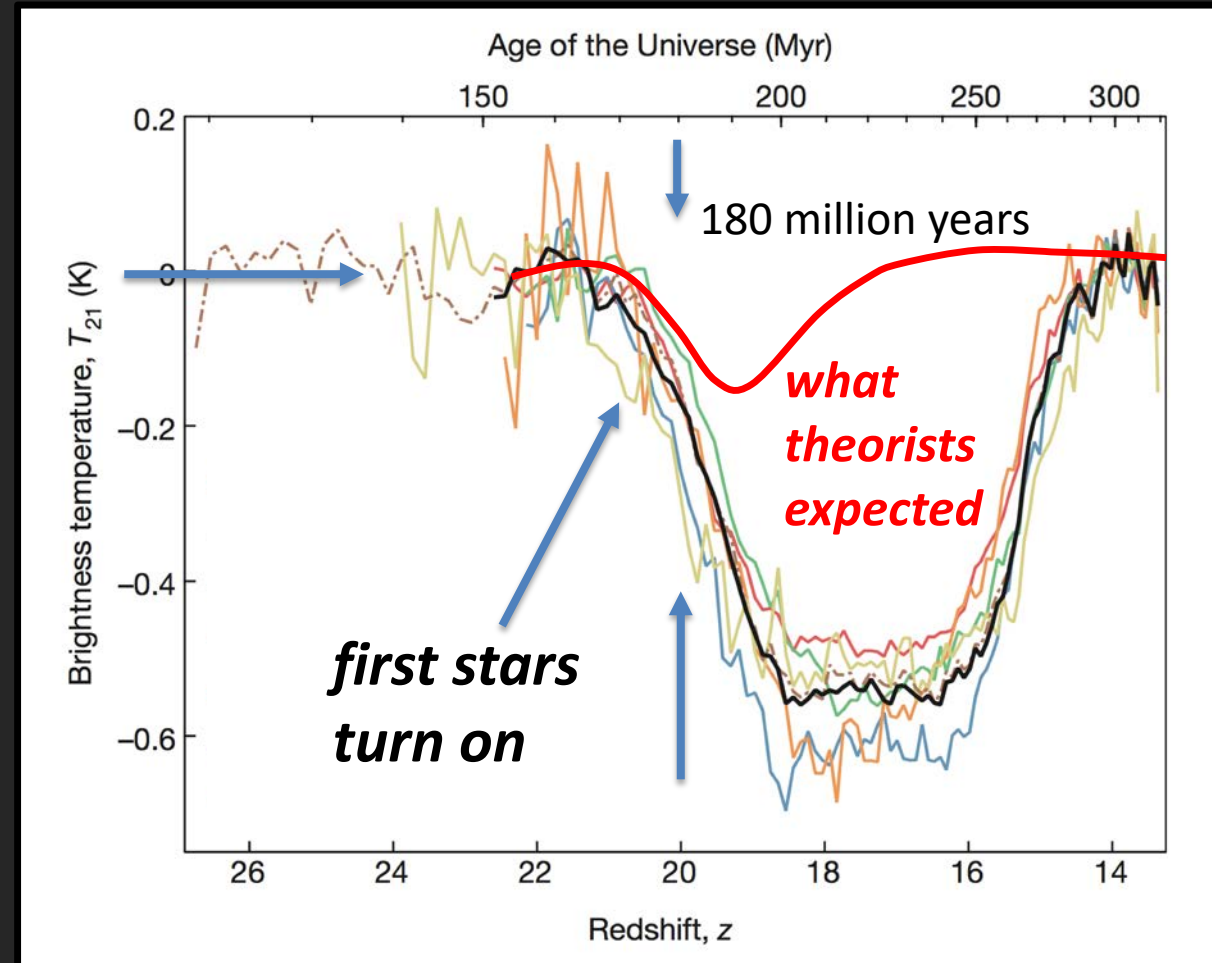
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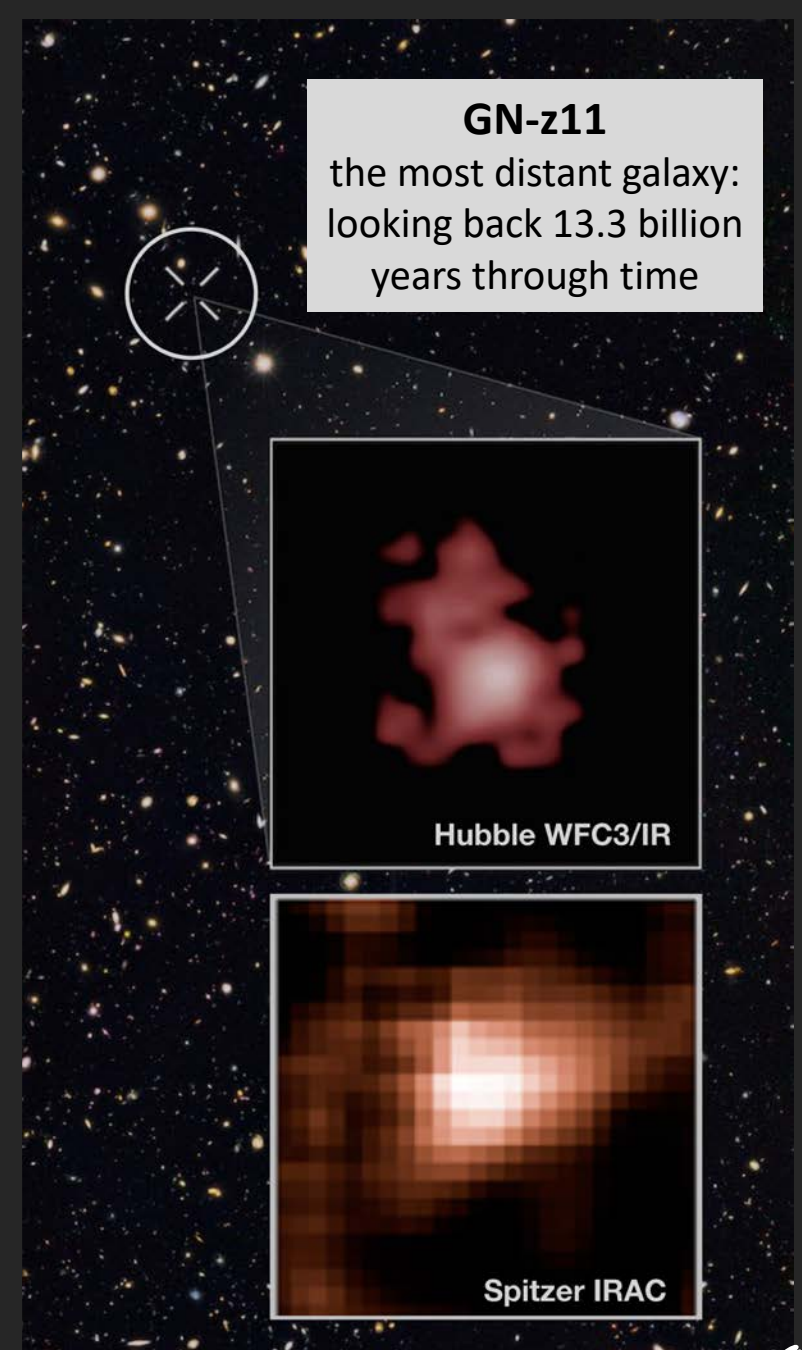
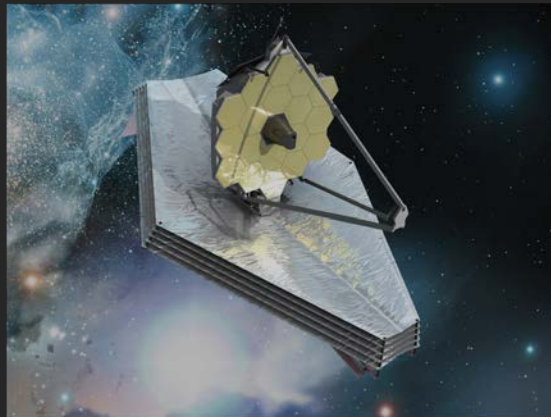
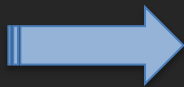
*what do we know about the **first galaxies**?*

the first galaxies must be earlier than GN-z11

*i.e., earlier than 400 million years
but not by much – maybe 100-200 million years*

Hubble and Spitzer have been
reaching into JWST territory!

➡ *close to “Cosmic Sunrise”* ⚡





what do these very early galaxies look like?

we do not know!

one hint from a galaxy 12.5 billion years ago

galaxy cluster “lenses”

galaxy

galaxy cluster

lensed galaxy images

distorted light-rays

Earth

*the way to see
what faint
galaxies really
look like...*

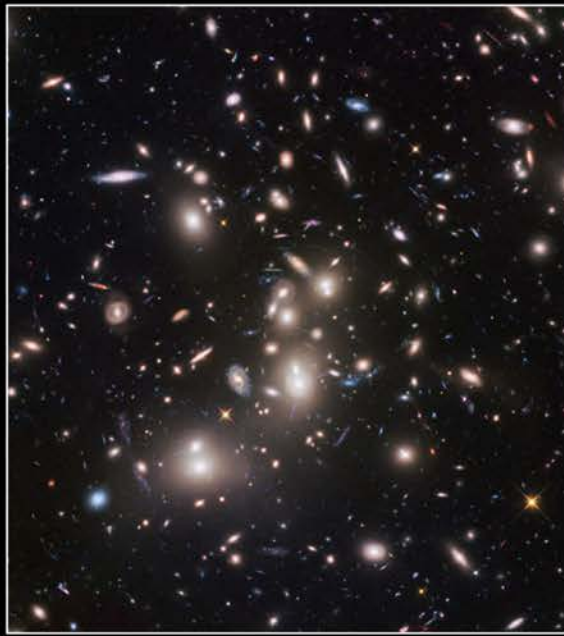
*by combining
Hubble with a
“cosmic telescope”*

credit: NASA, ESA, L. Calcada

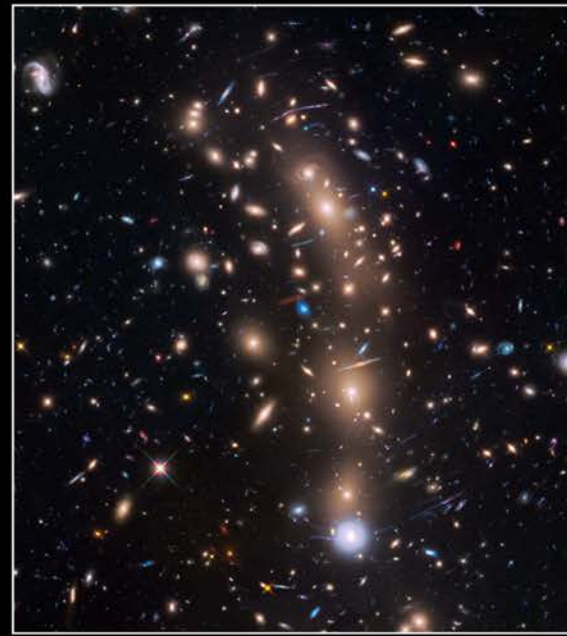
Hubble Frontier Fields

6 galaxy clusters

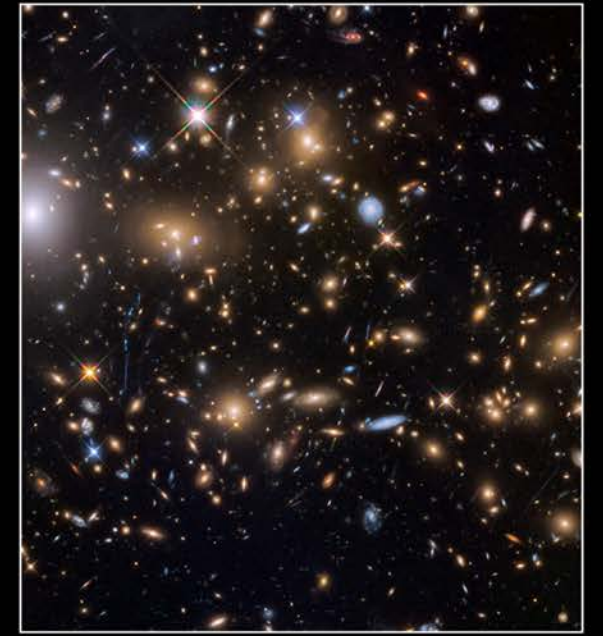
Hubble and
Spitzer imaging



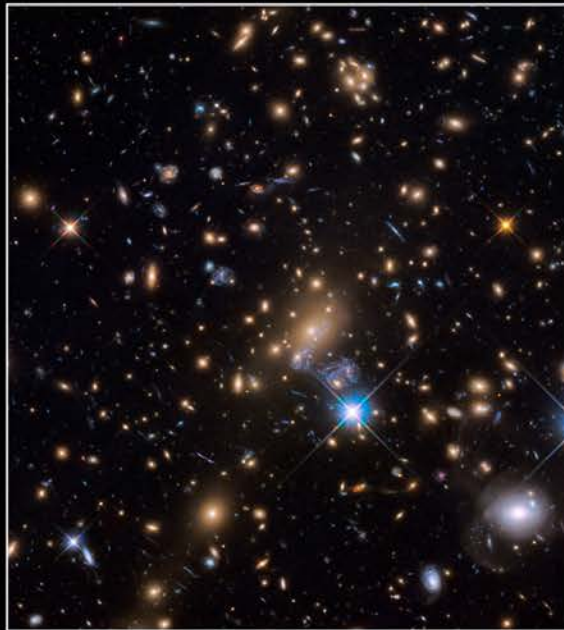
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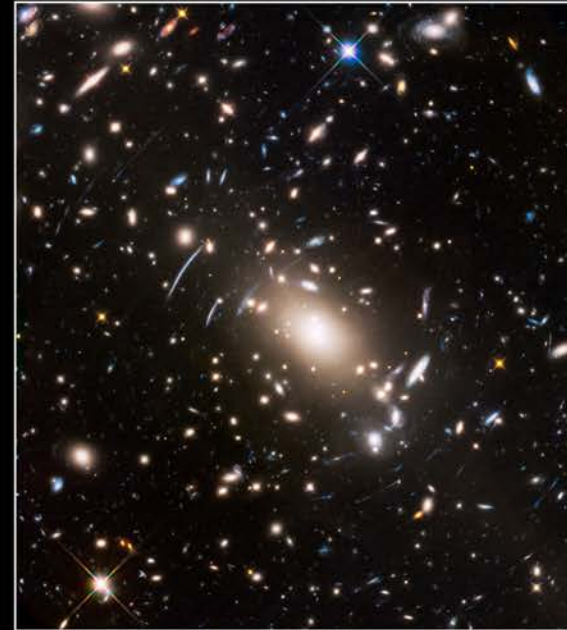
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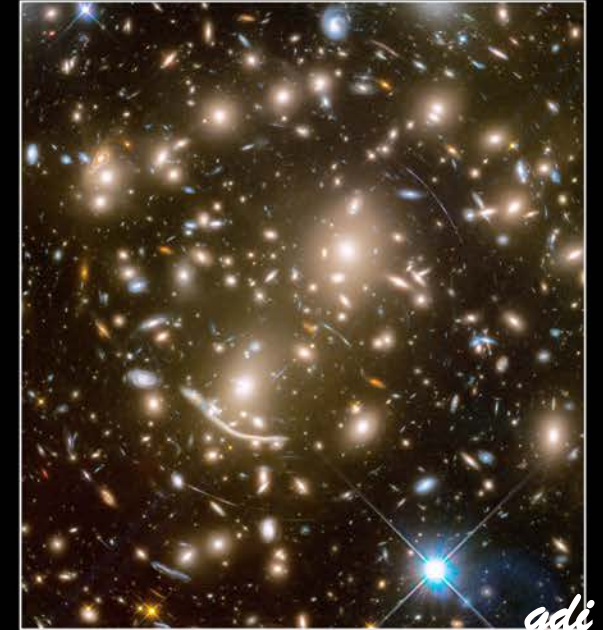
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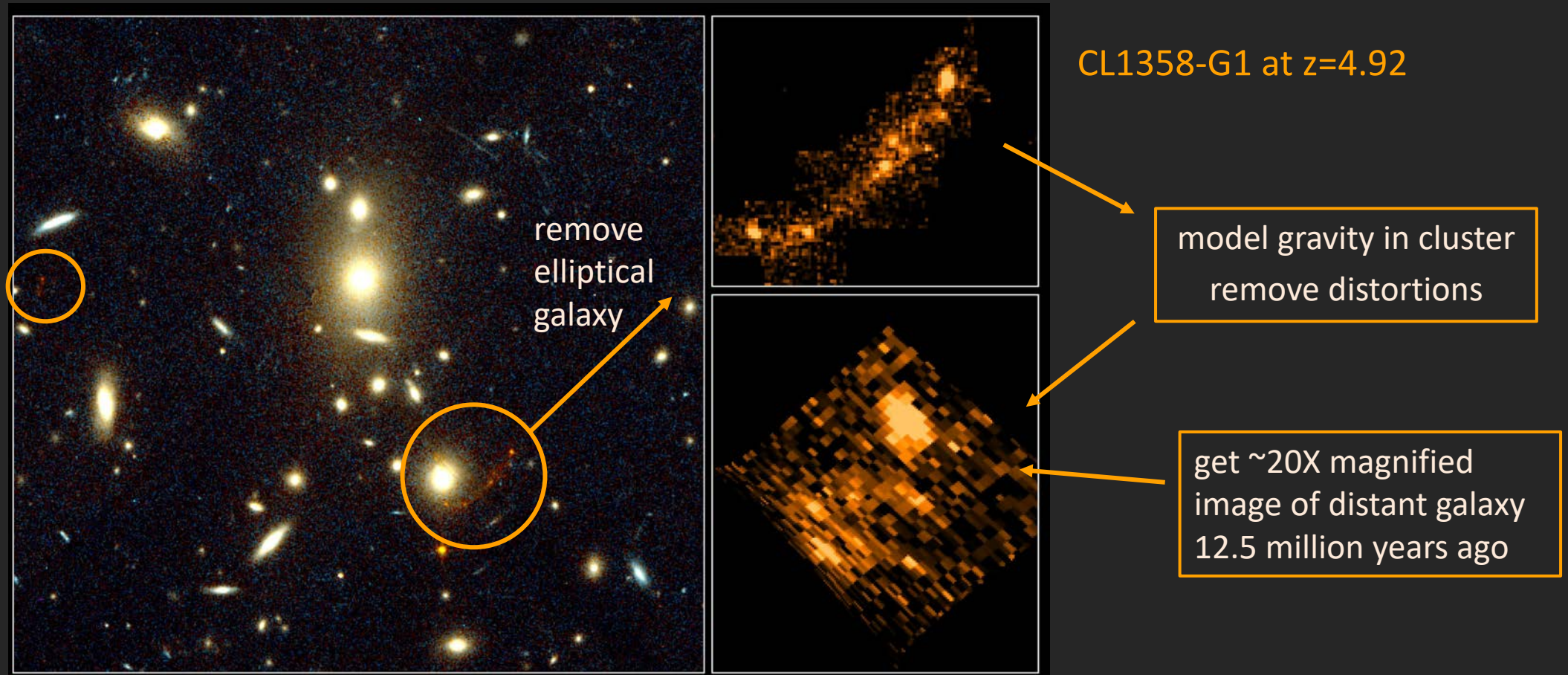


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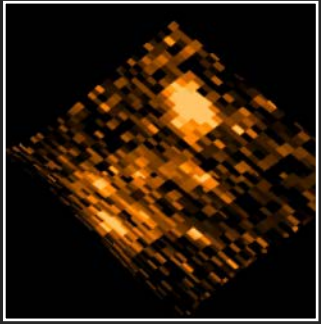
a remarkable fold arc in CL1358

cluster of galaxies CL1358 magnifies
faint galaxy that lies far beyond

*found in 1996 – still the best
magnified image we have for a
galaxy in the first 2 billion years*



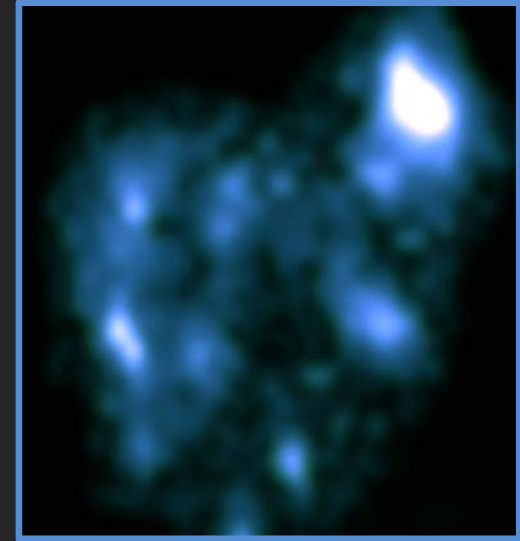
unique insight into the structure of a high redshift galaxy



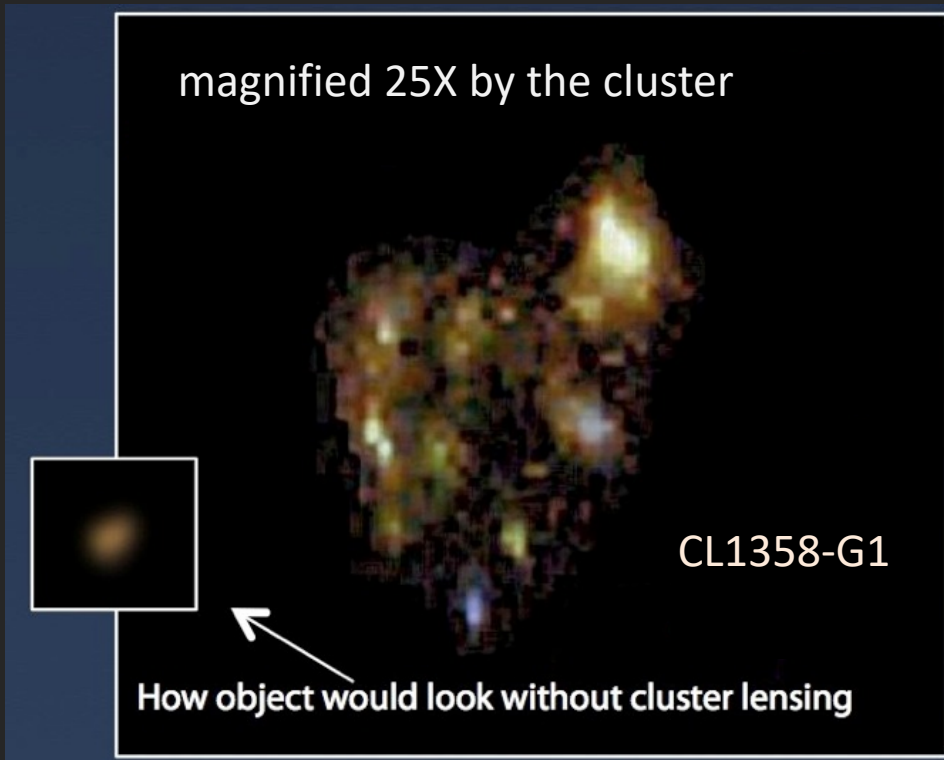
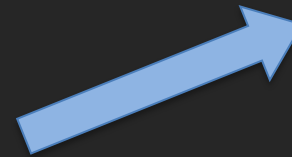
1996 image



2004 image from Hubble's Advanced Camera



CL1358-G1 probably looks more like this!



- very rare to see such details
- star-forming regions at high redshift are very small

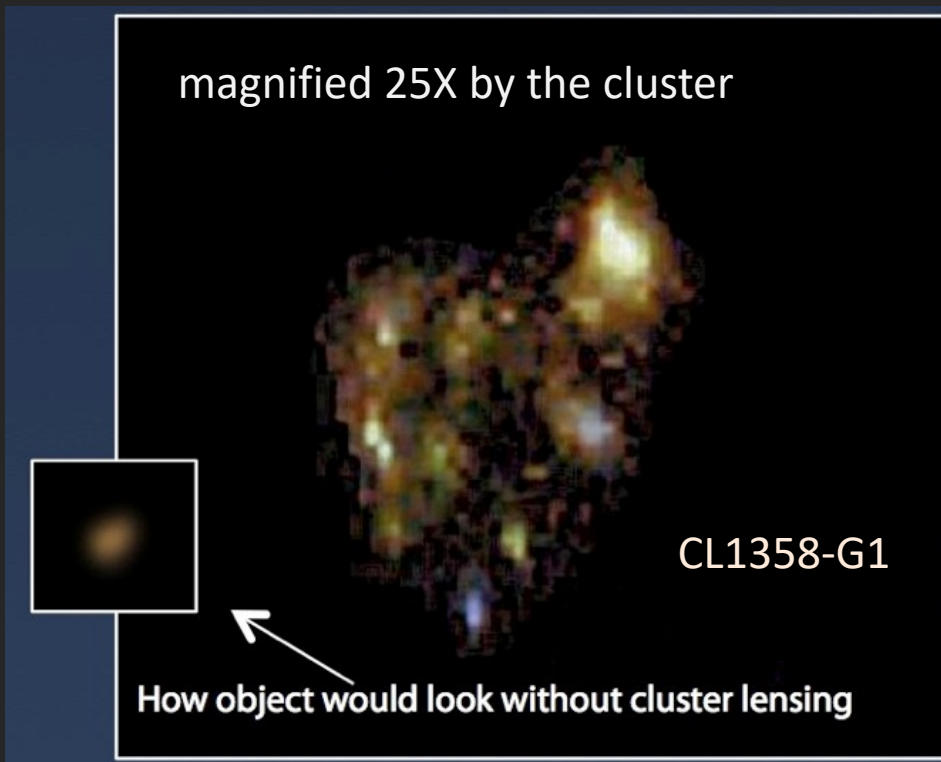
how will we find more?

>100 clusters have been searched – CL1358G1 is still the best and only one at high redshift

we need a really big telescope and lasers and adaptive optics



simulation of European ELT with lasers



30-40 m ELT with adaptive optics needed to see what early galaxies really look like

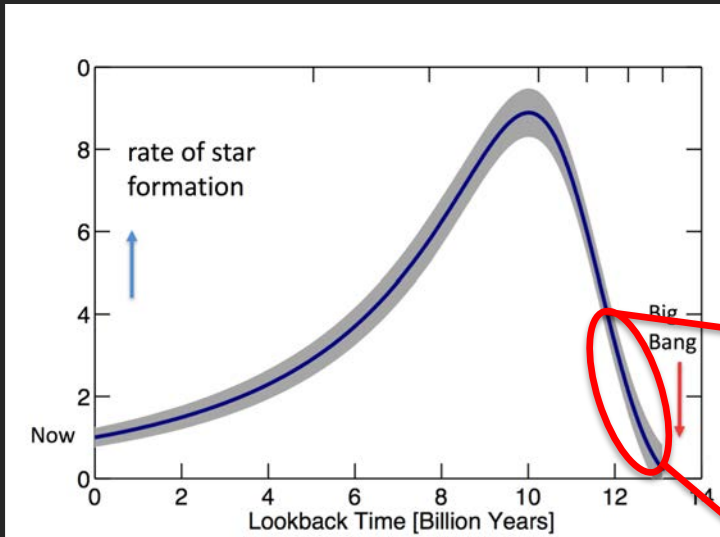
ELT – Extremely Large Telescope

can JWST find the first galaxies?

will they be so rare that they will be hard to find?

will they occur at such high redshifts that they will
be hard for JWST to see?

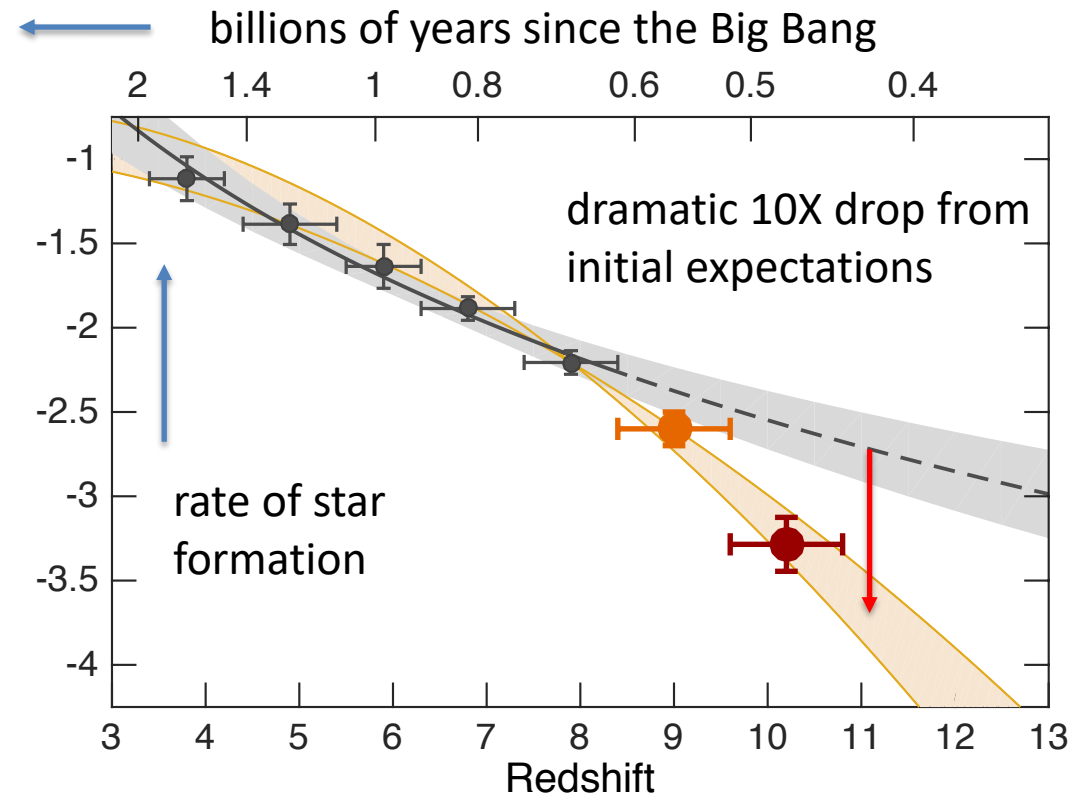
way fewer galaxies than expected at redshift 10



there are far fewer galaxies than we
(naively) expected at early times

this is a very important result for JWST

**galaxies are evolving rapidly
earlier than 650 million years**



2018 publication

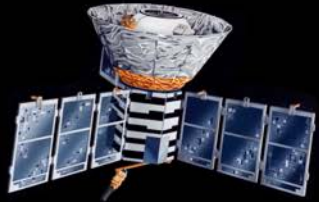
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*➡ what does this mean for JWST and our
search for the “first galaxies”? ➡*

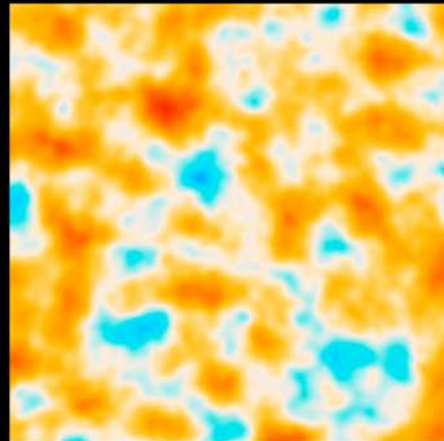
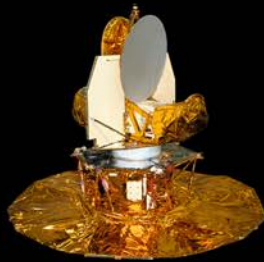
measuring the fluctuations in the 3°K cosmic microwave background

three amazing missions



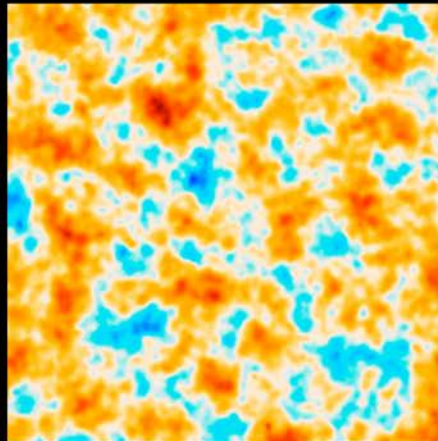
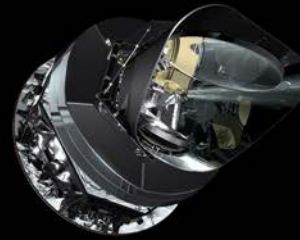
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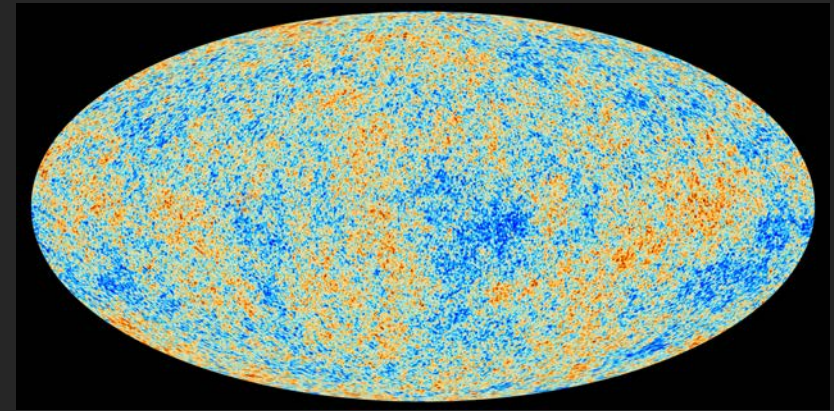
WMAP

2001



Planck

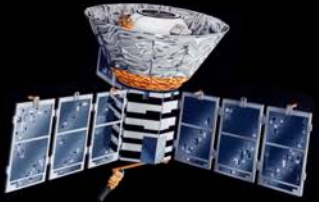
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Planck all-sky map of the cosmic
microwave 3°K background

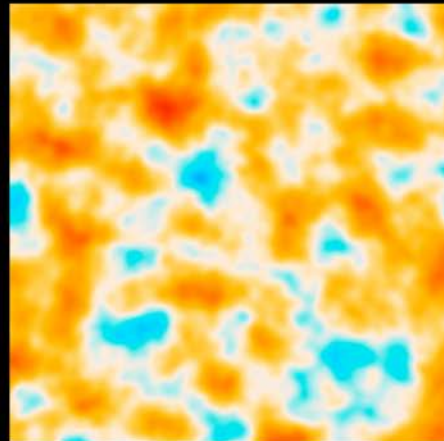
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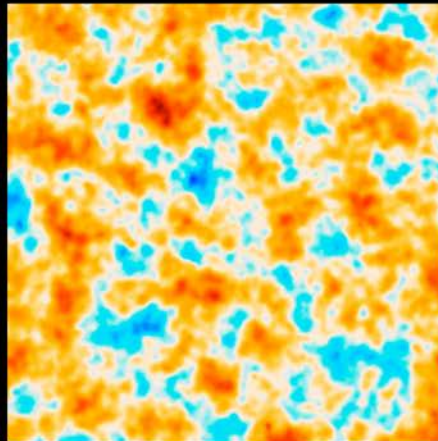
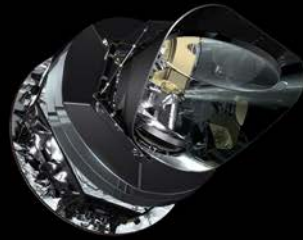
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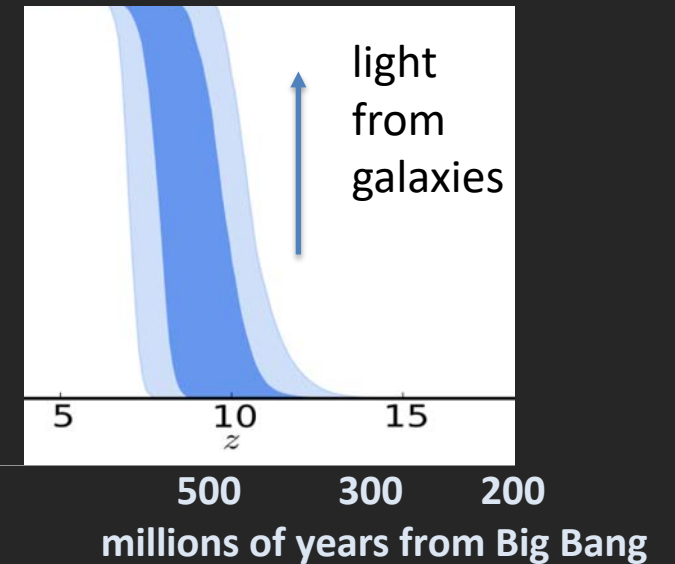
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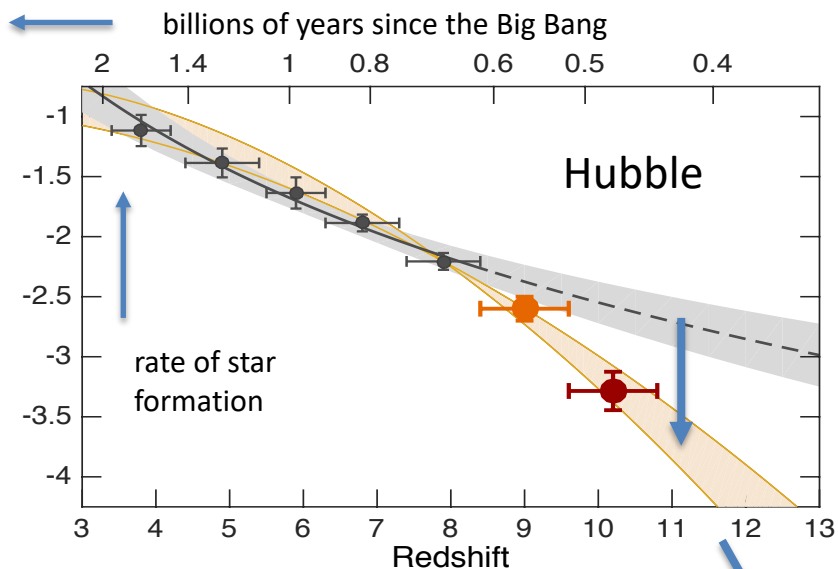


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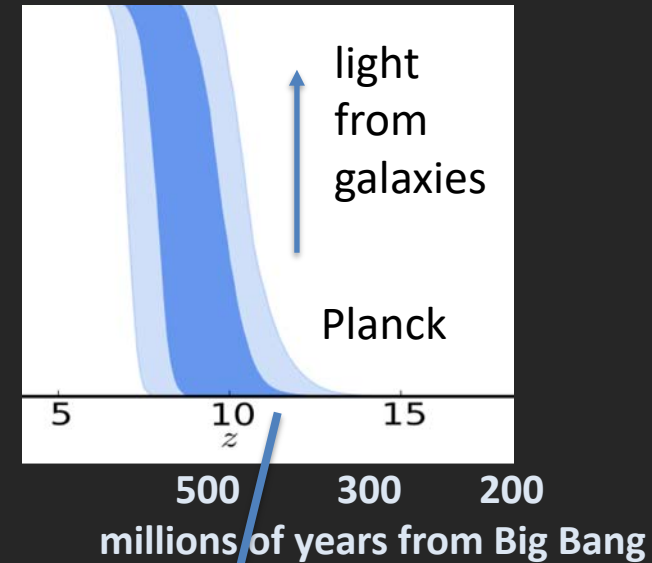
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Planck tells us that
galaxies started to put
out a lot of light at $z \sim 10$





*will JWST see the
“first galaxies”?*

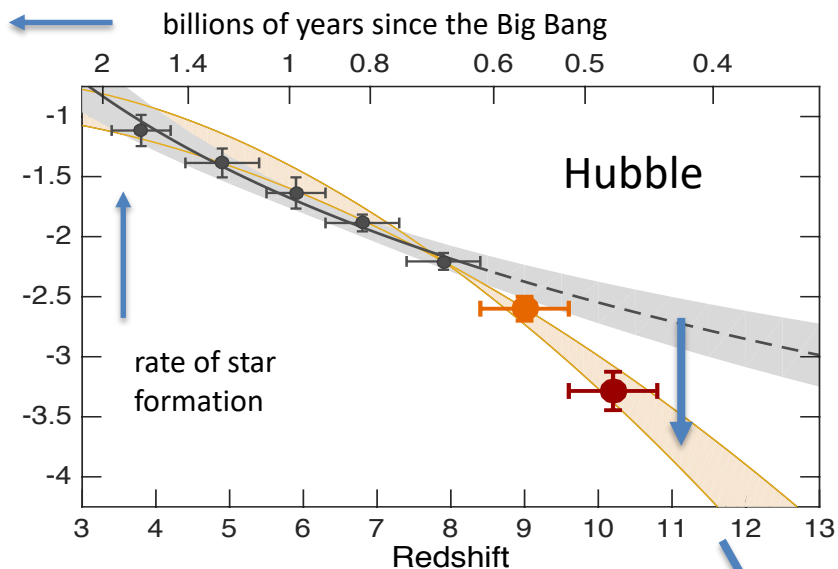


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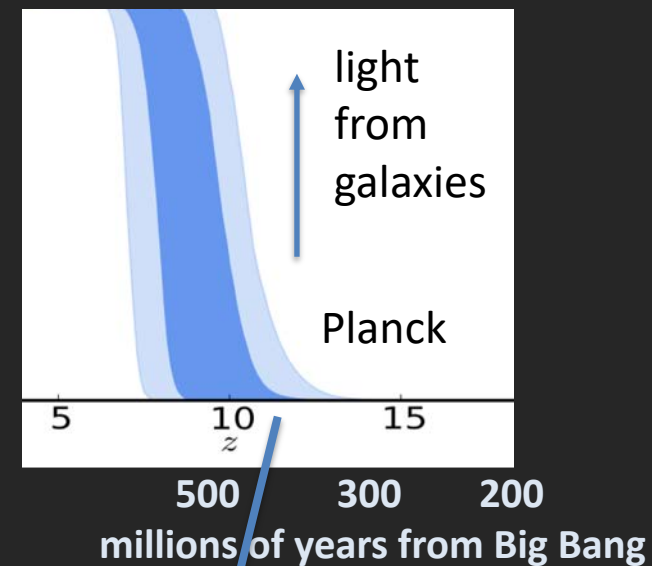
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yes, I think that there is a really good chance that we will



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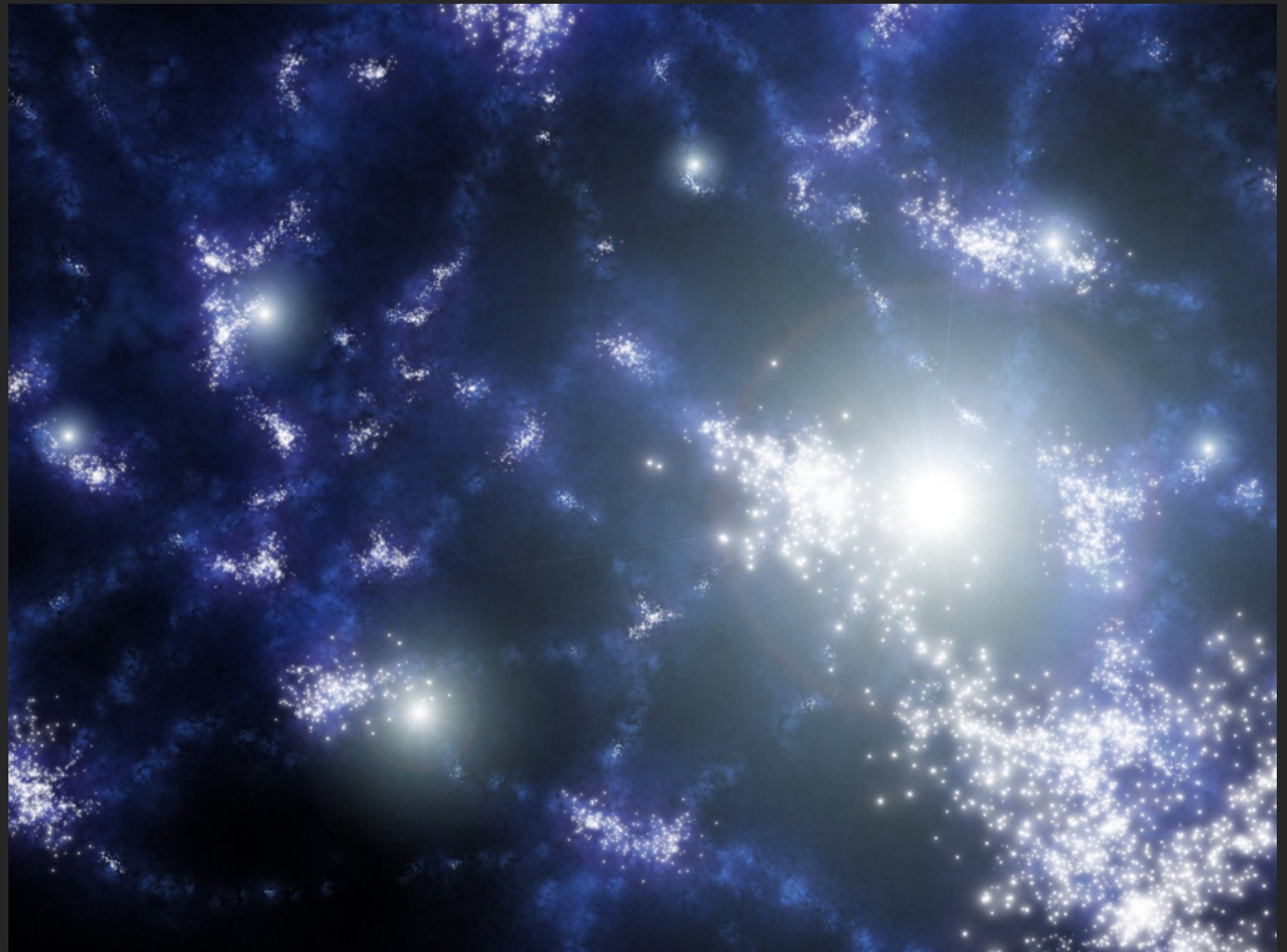
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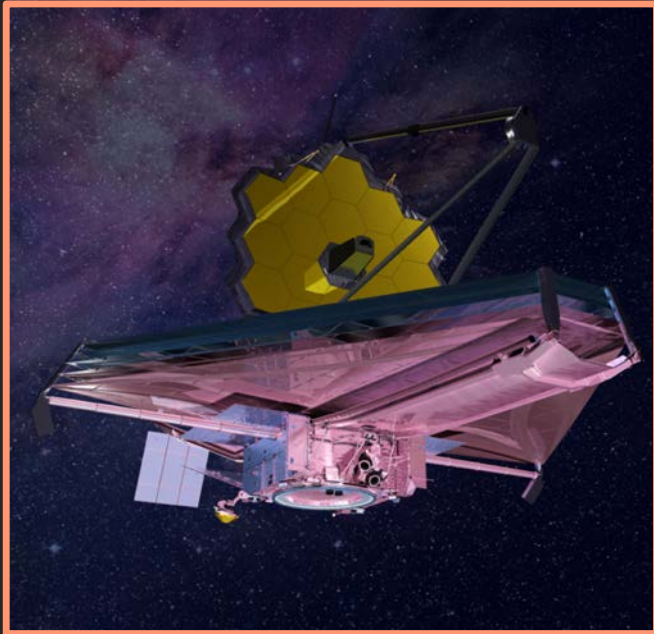
desert sunrise



the dramatic brightening after cosmic dawn
“Cosmic Sunrise” – as the first galaxies burst forth
around 300 million years after the Big Bang



JWST is the “what’s next” for the earliest galaxies



JWST – full-size model at “South by Southwest”

note people



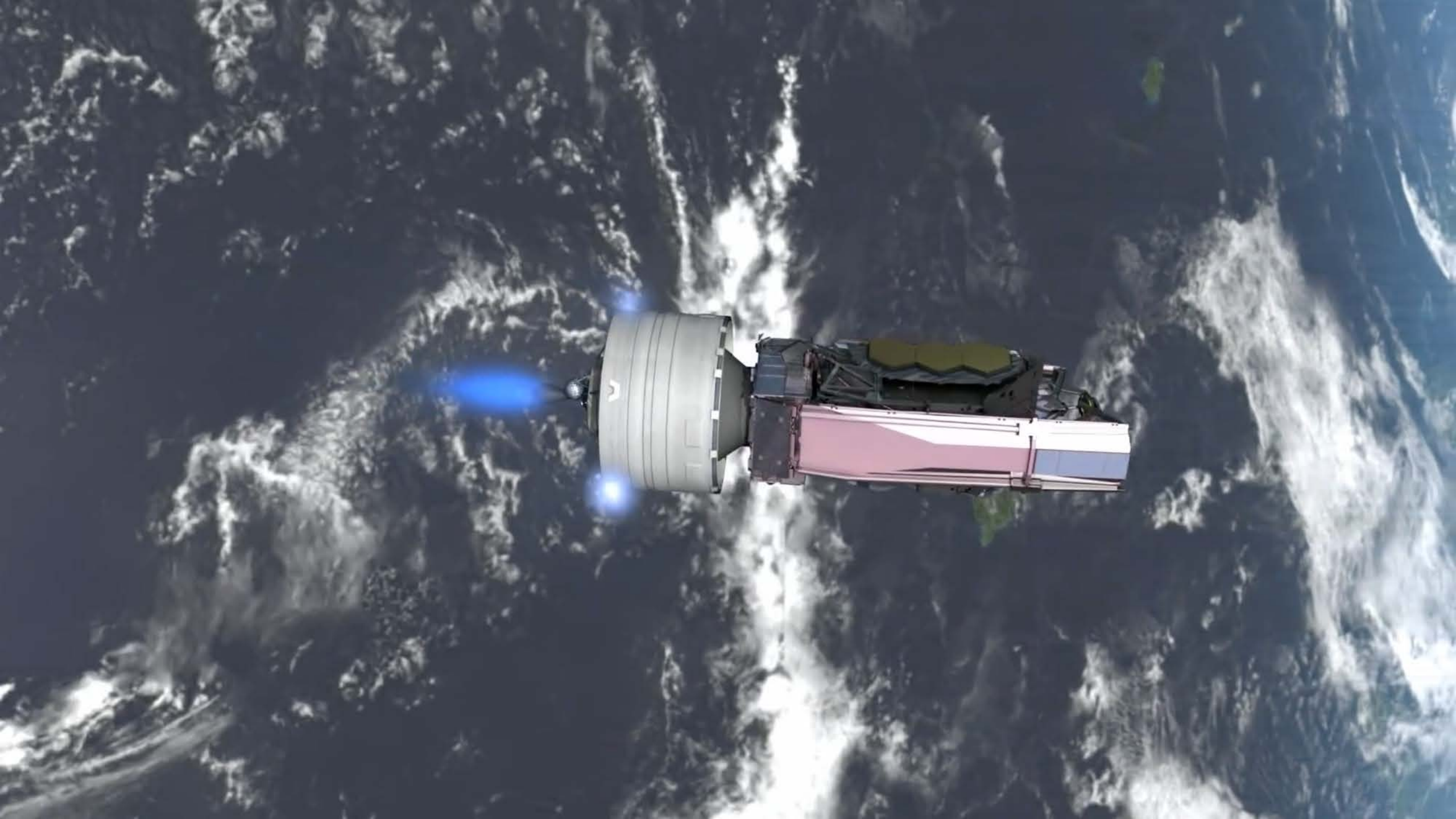


JWST will be launched on an Ariane 5

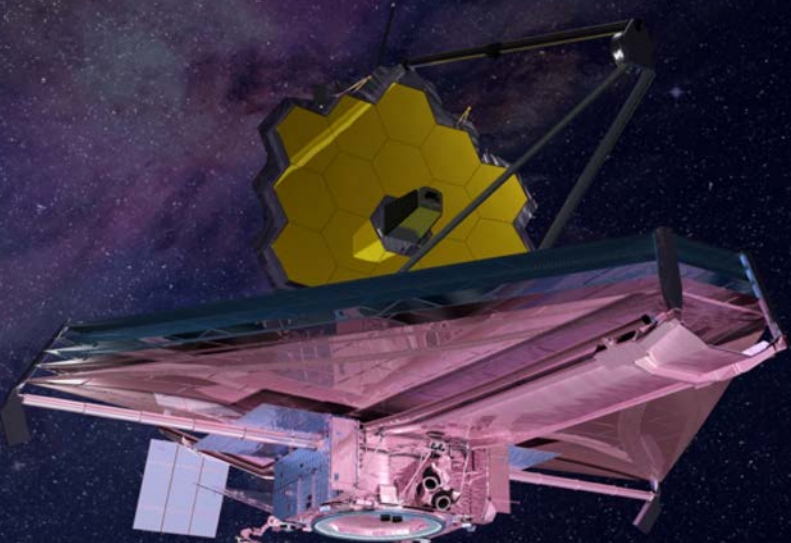


simulated images



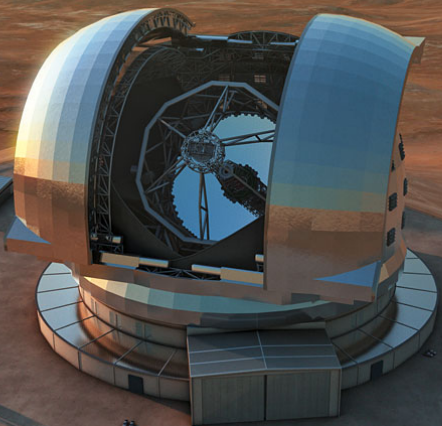


JWST

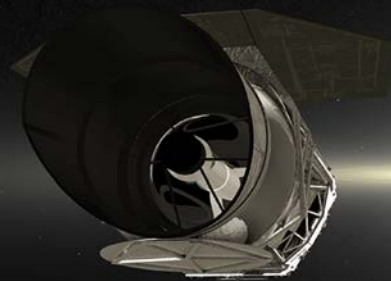


➡ JWST, along with WFIRST (and similar telescopes) and the ELT, will transform our understanding of distant galaxies in the next decade, but, *for distant galaxies*, another “next generation telescope” will be needed in the decade beyond ➡

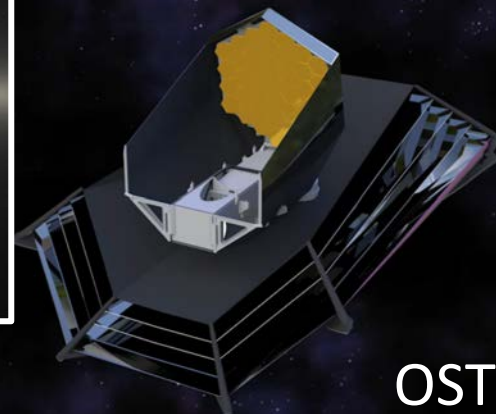
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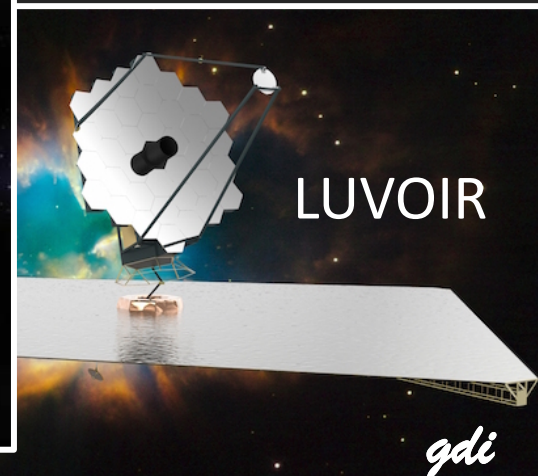
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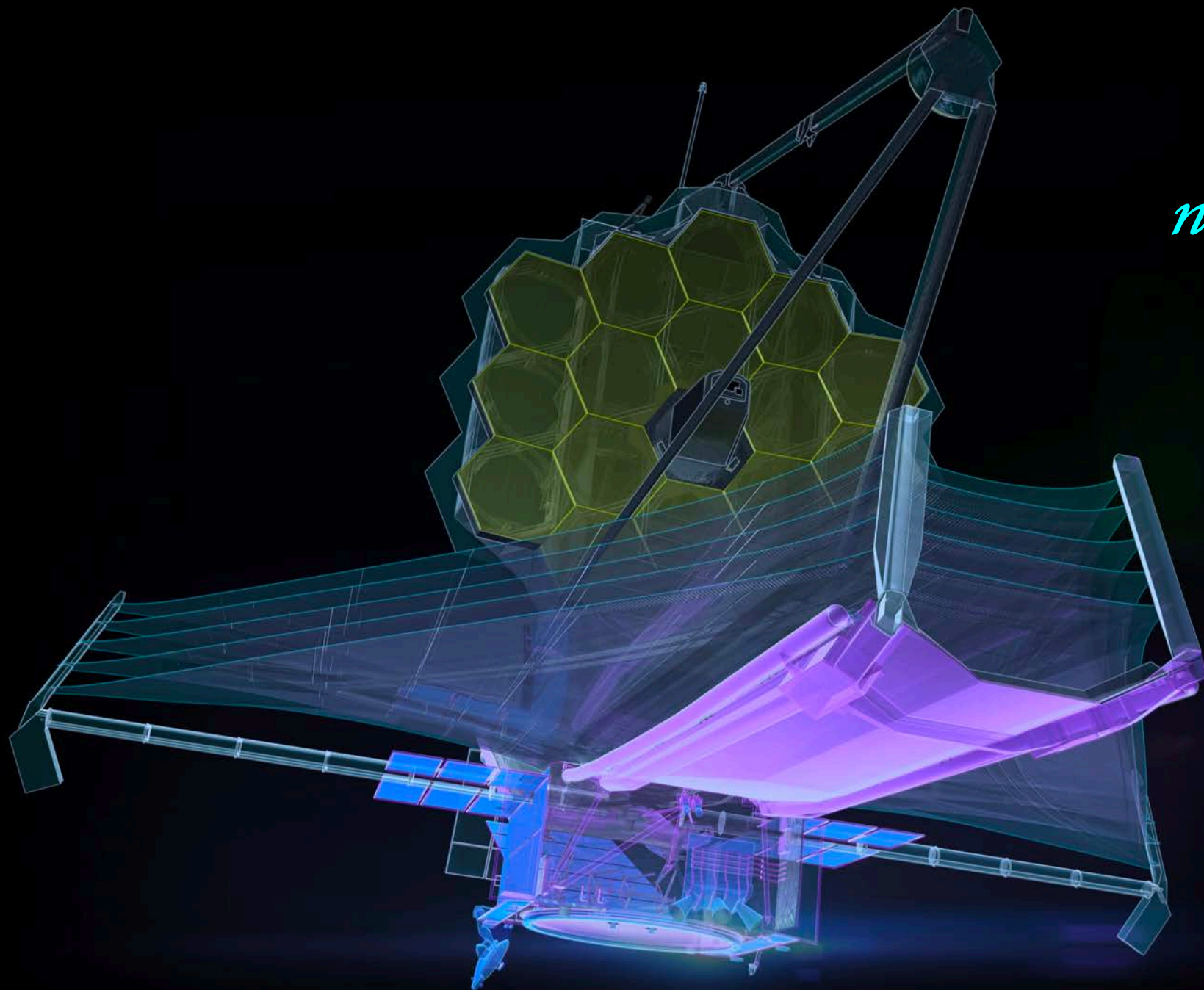


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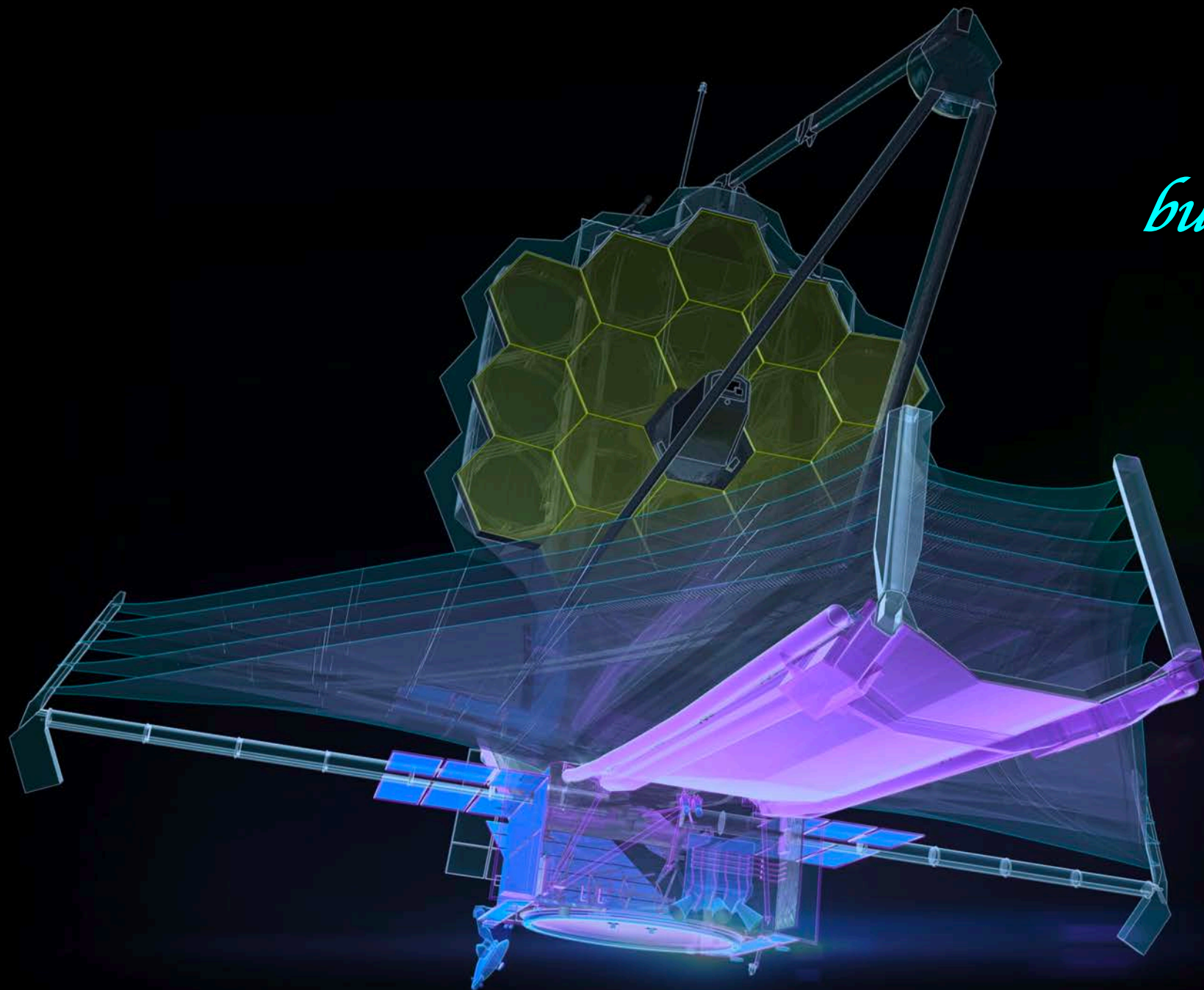


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not the end...



but the beginning...