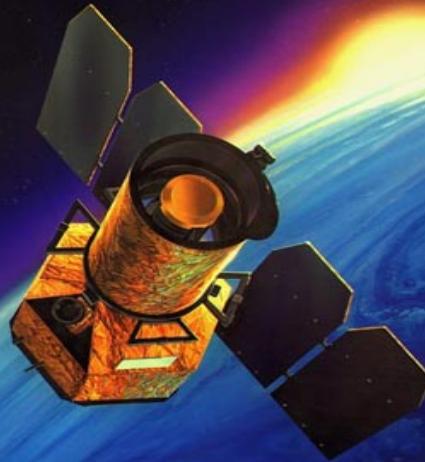




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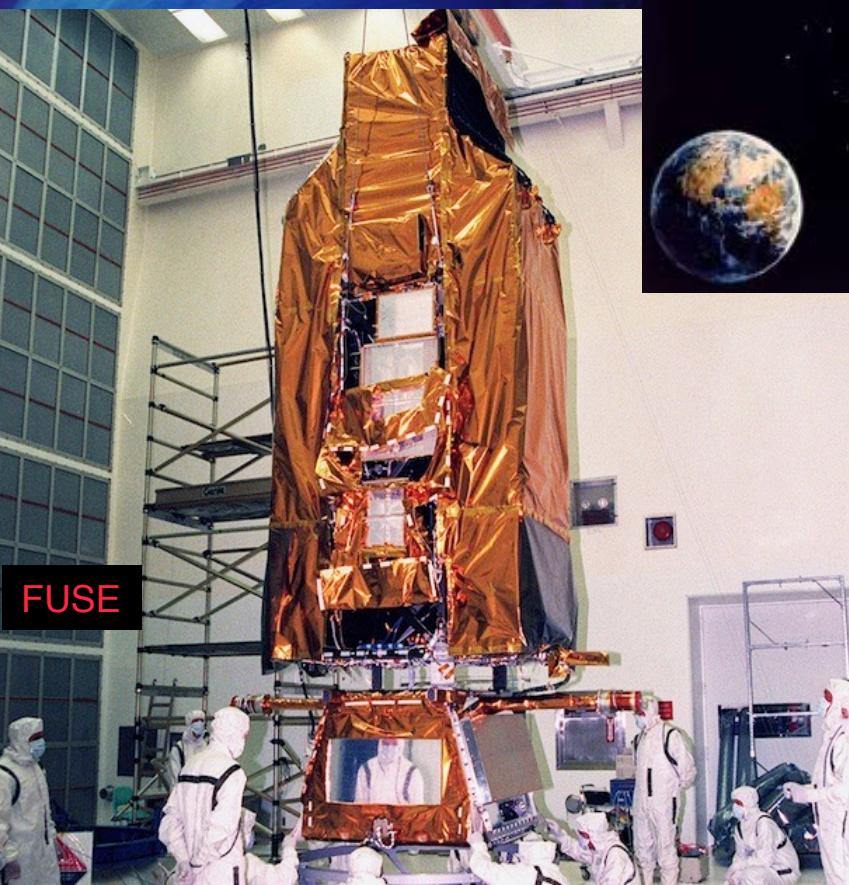
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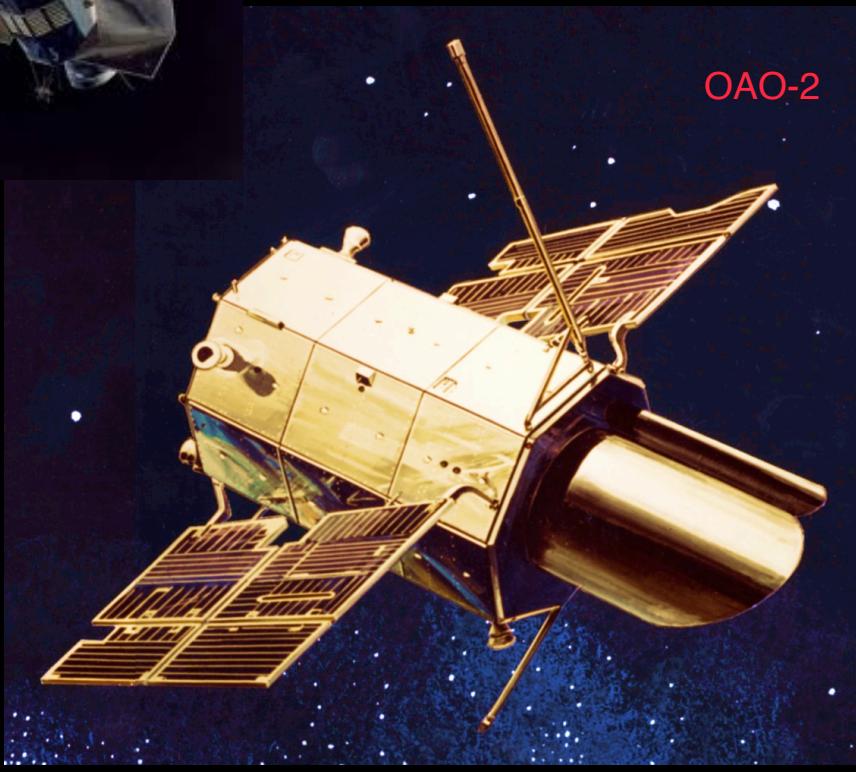


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HST: 1990 – 2018(?)



Era of Giant Telescopes (2020 --)



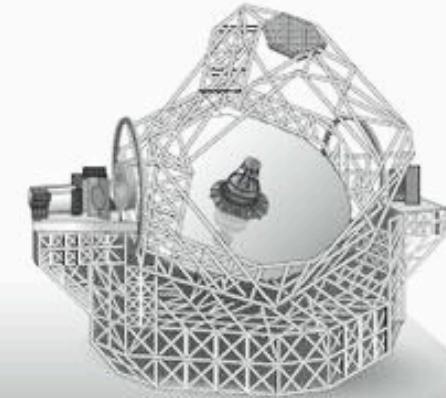
Big Ben clocktower
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Giant Magellan Telescope



Thirty-Meter Telescope



European Extremely Large Telescope

Telescope diameter	25.2 metres	30 metres	42 metres
Component mirror segments	7 (8.4-metre segments)	492 (1.44-metre segments)	984 (1.45-metre segments)
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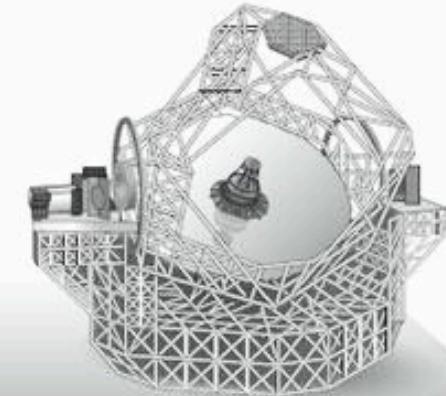
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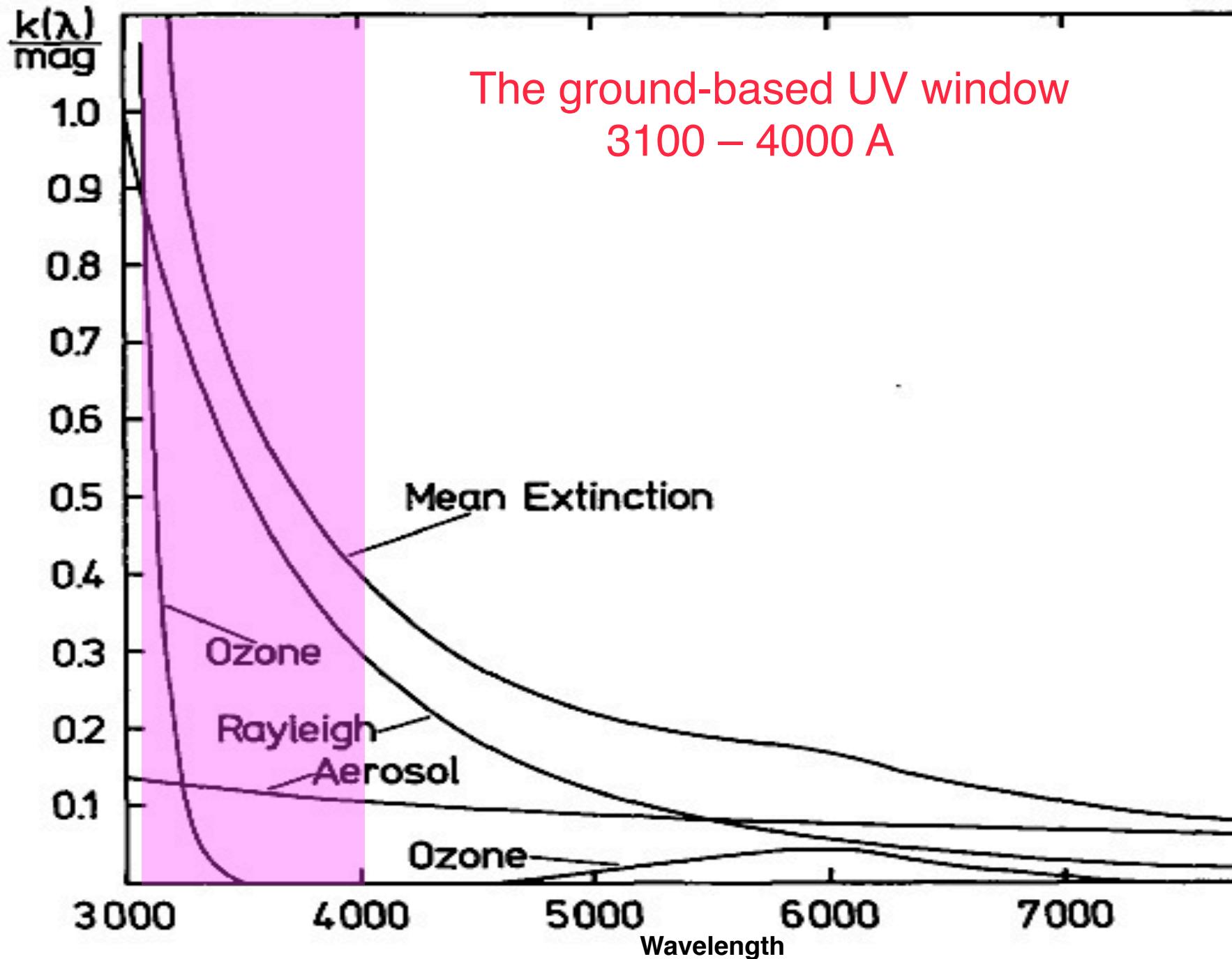
Where is the UV *indispensable* (or nearly so)?

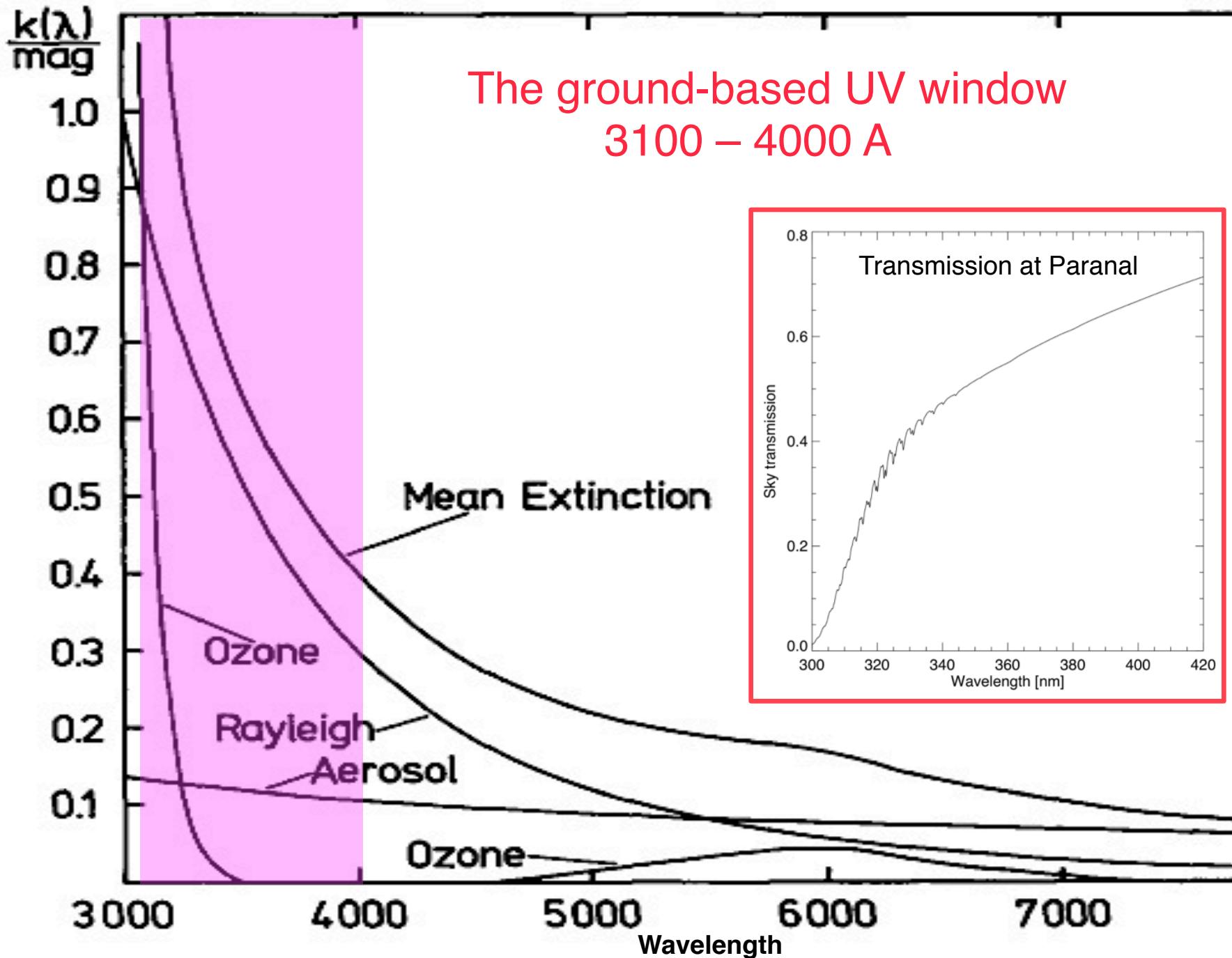
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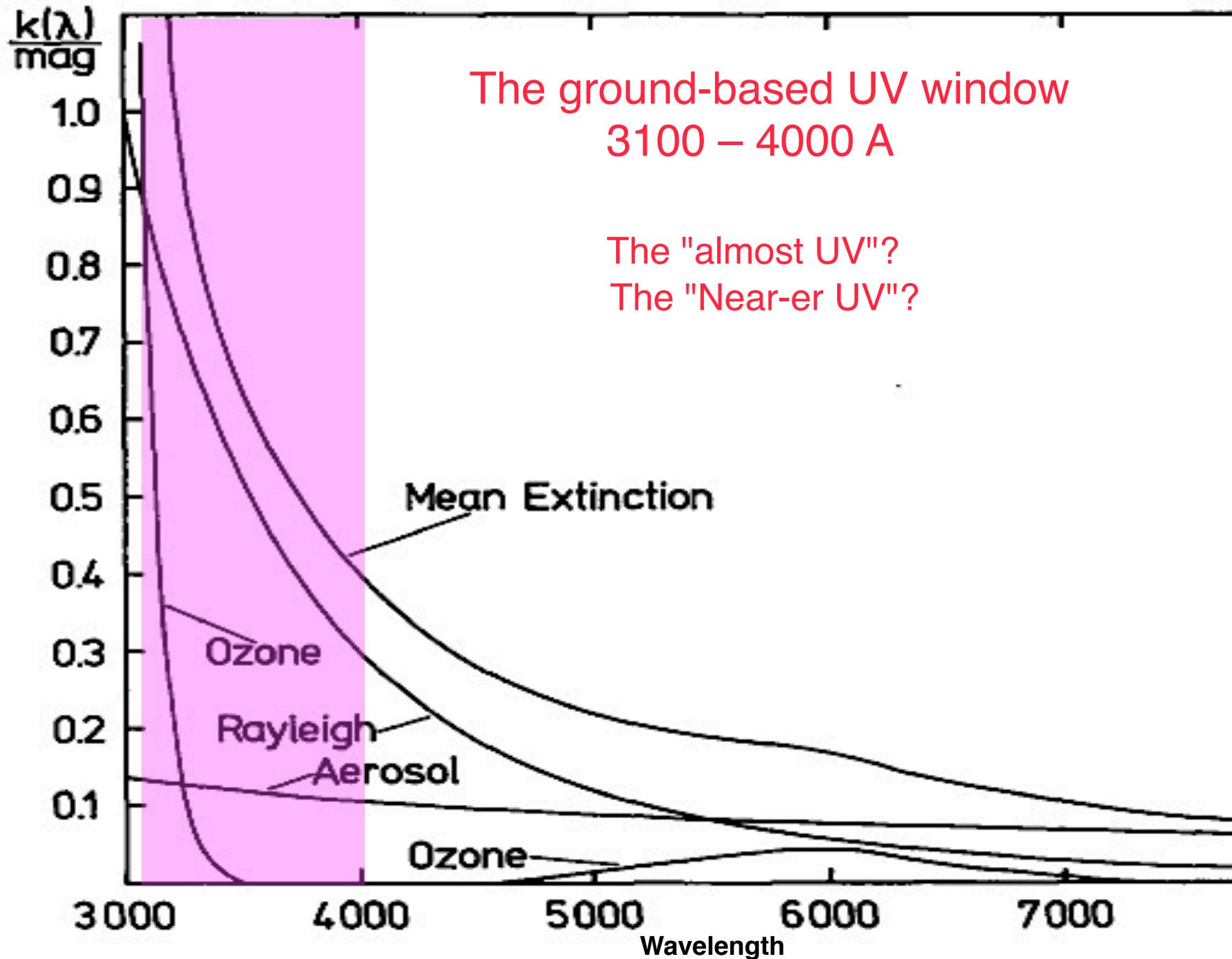


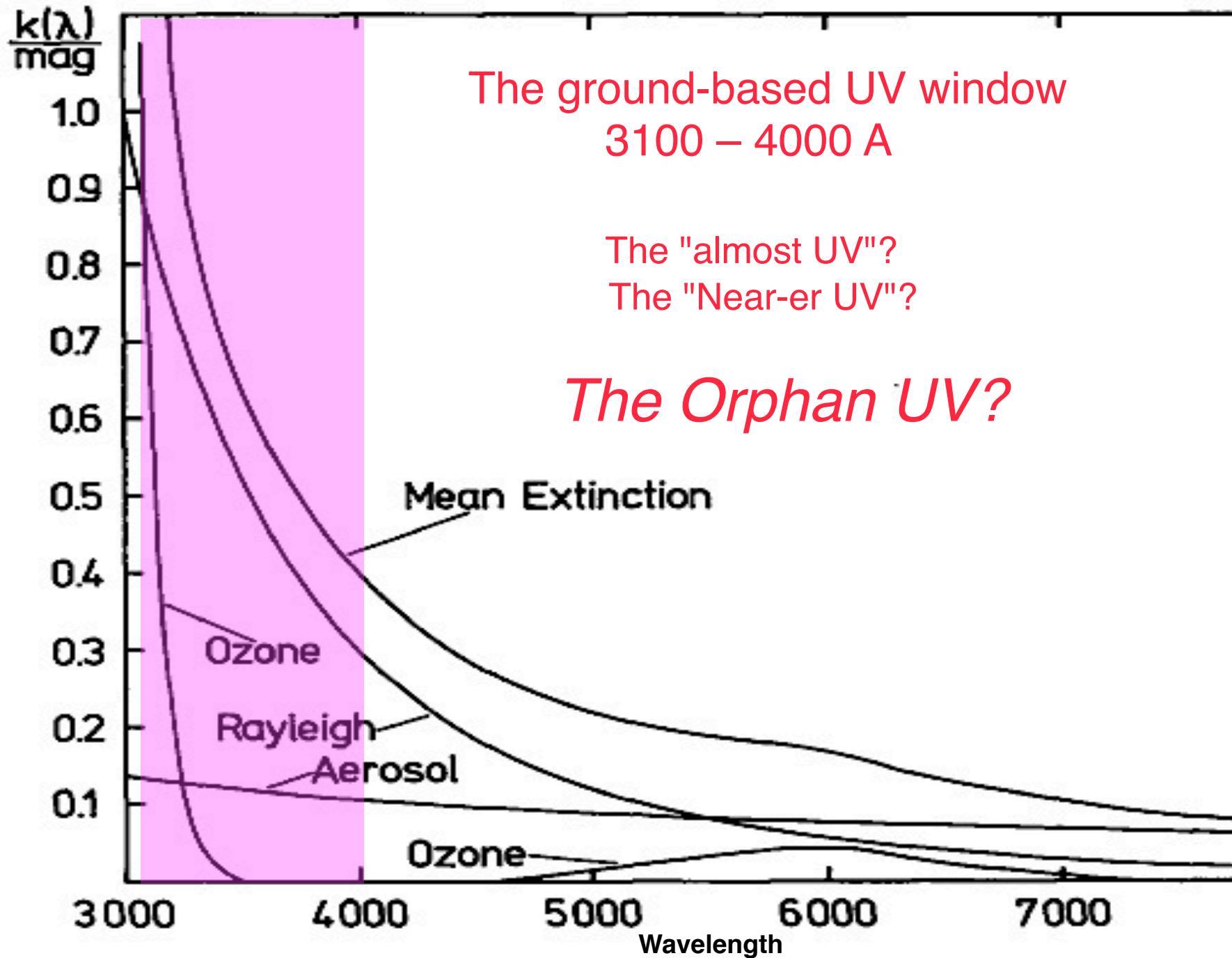
- UV upturn in old populations (UVX)
- Multiphase ISM
- IGM $z < 2$

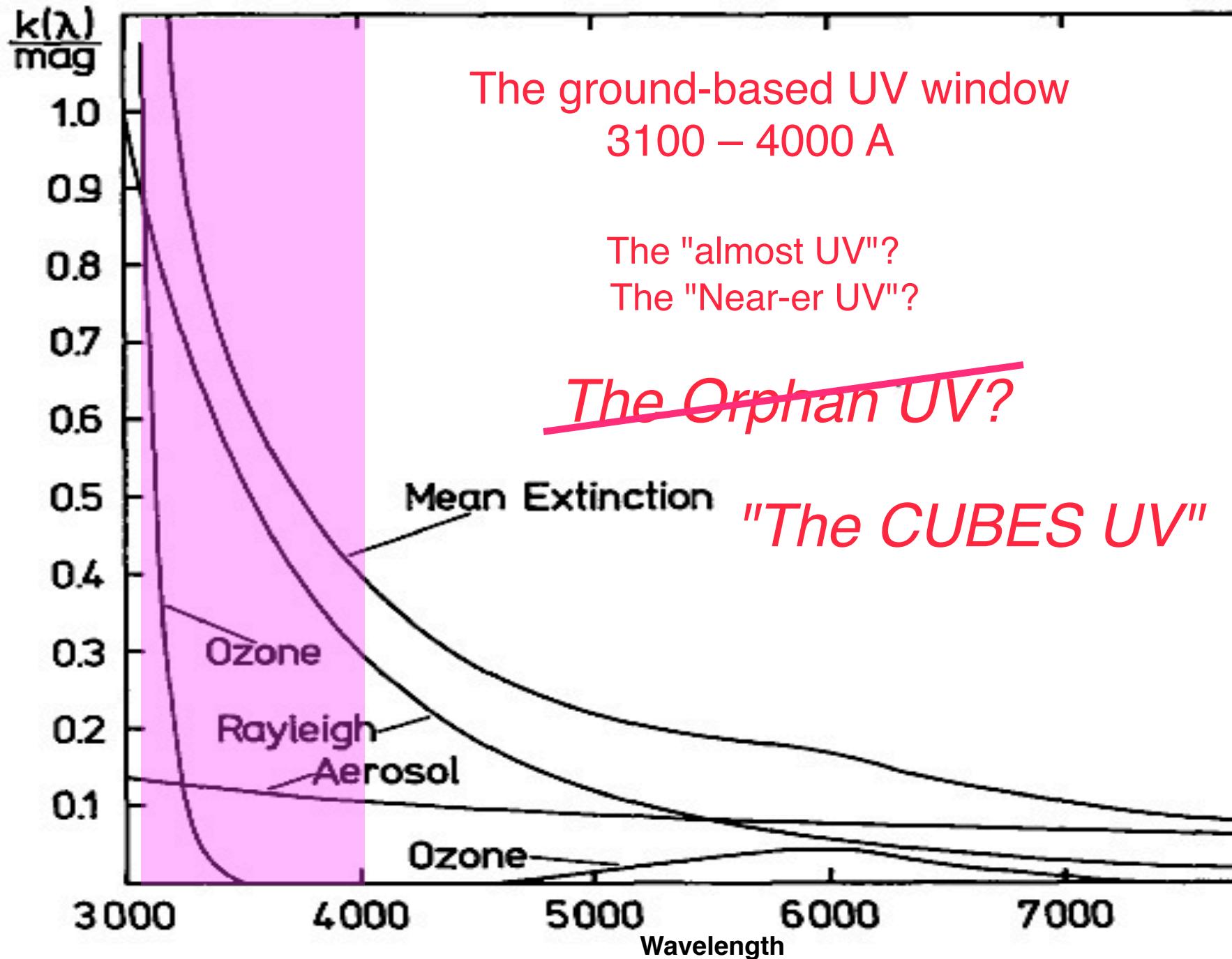
- Galaxy SFR's and SFH's
- YSO star-disk-planet interactions
- Exoplanets
- Globular clusters
- AGN's



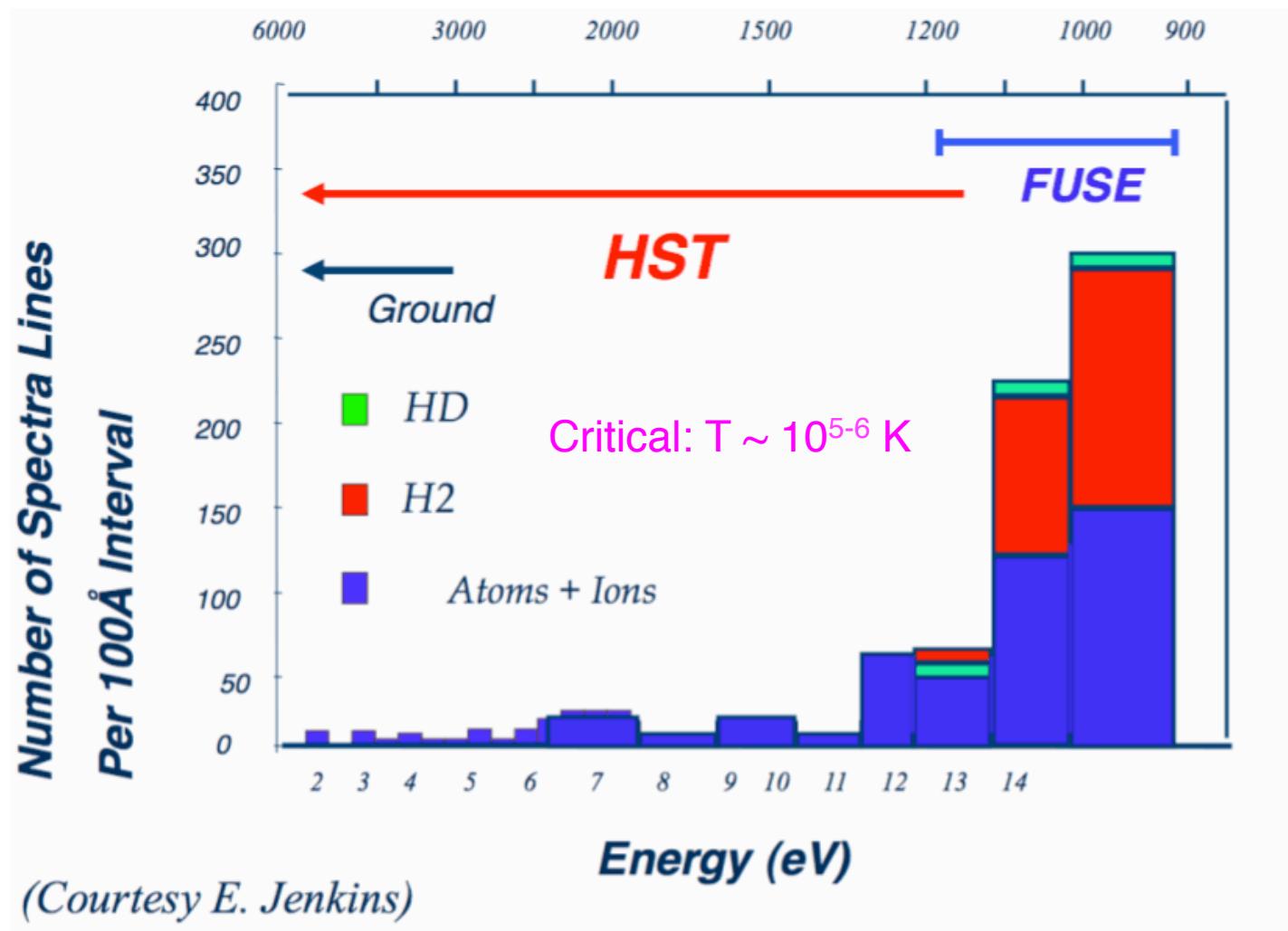




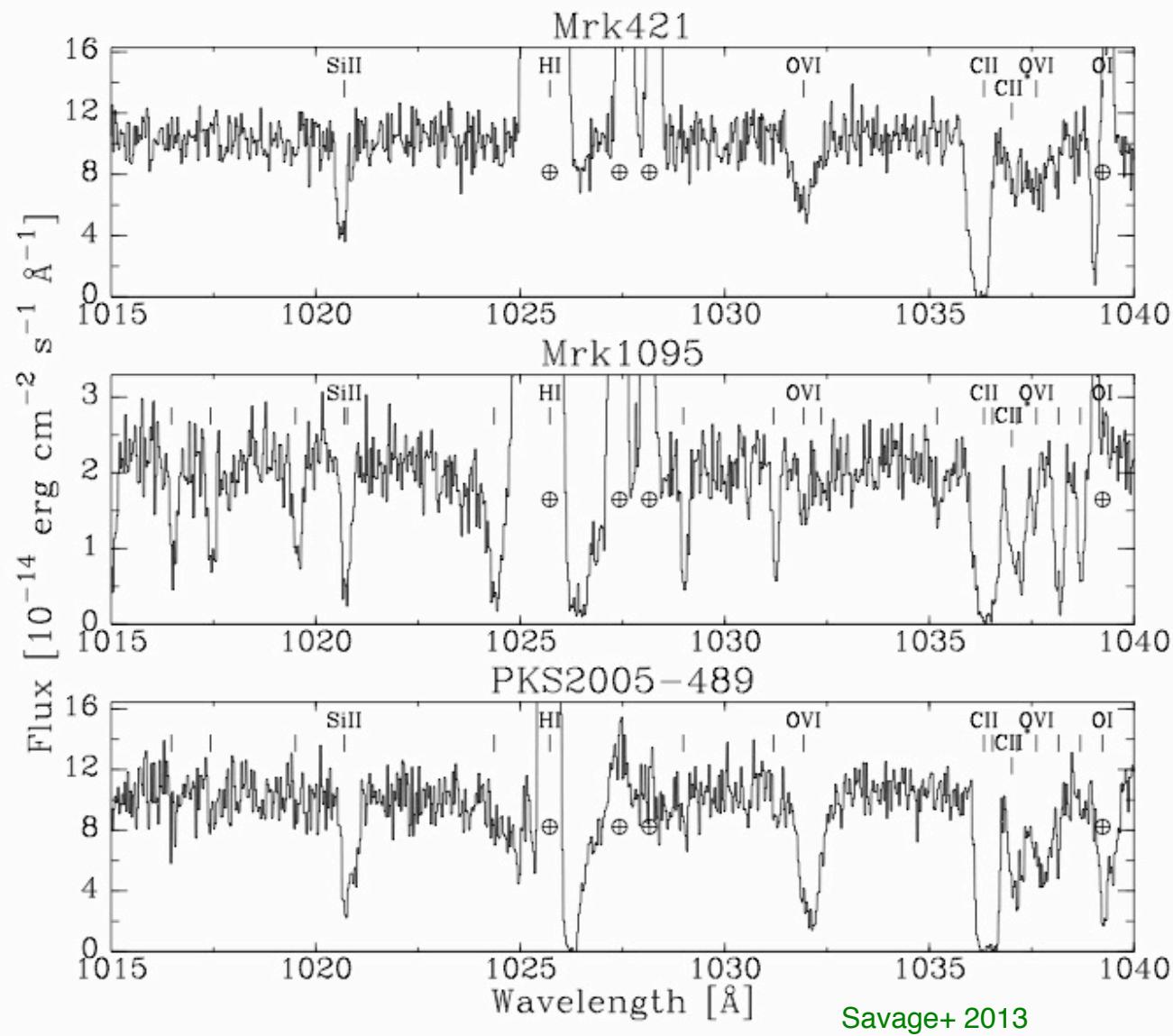




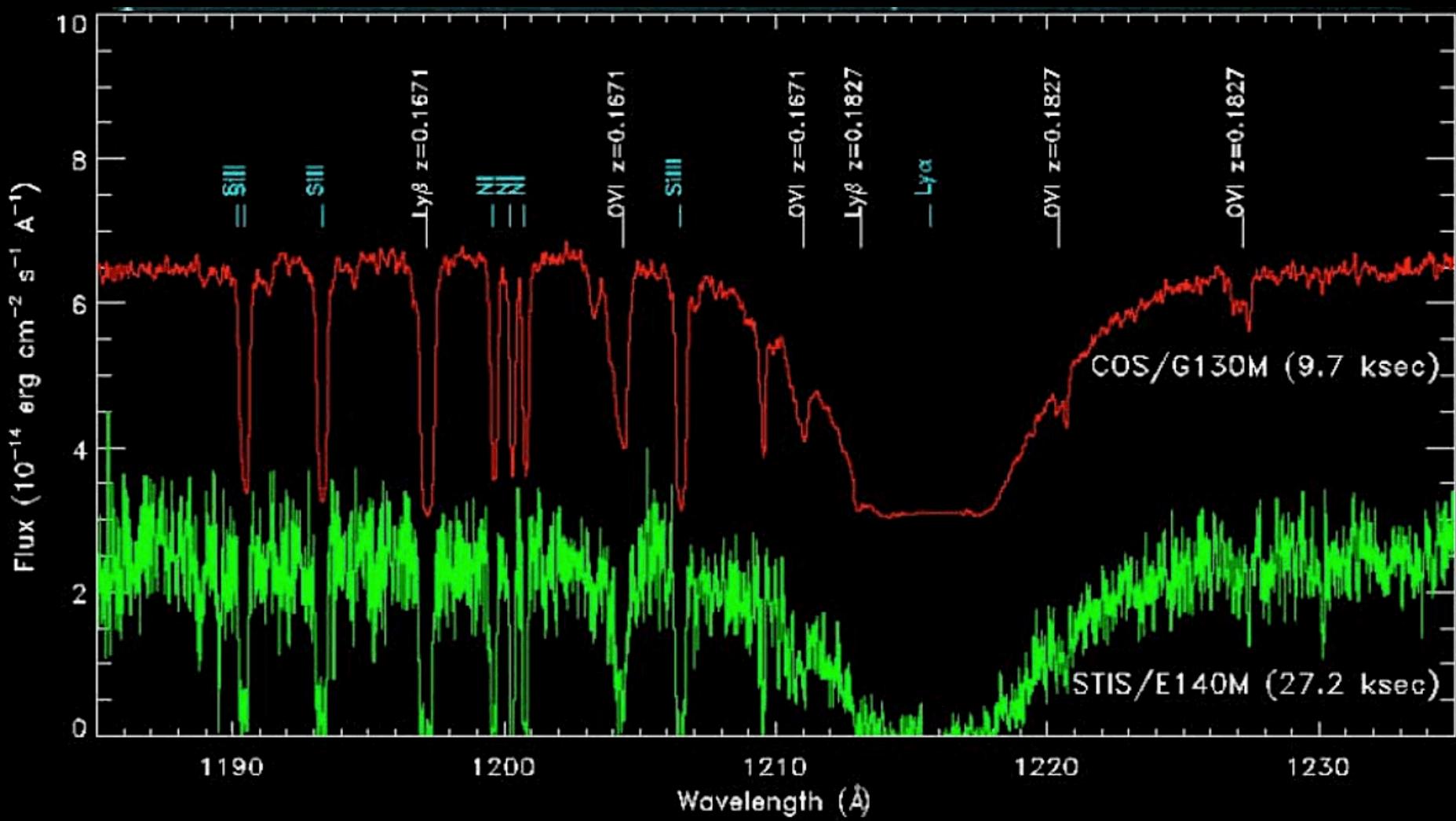
ISM/IGM/CGM



Hot Milky Way ISM seen against distant AGN (FUSE)



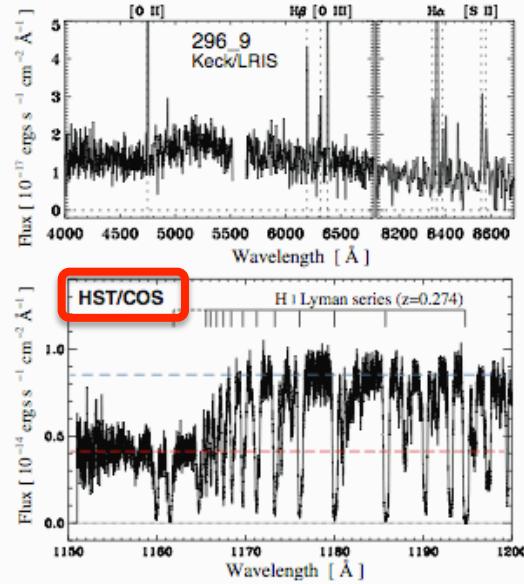
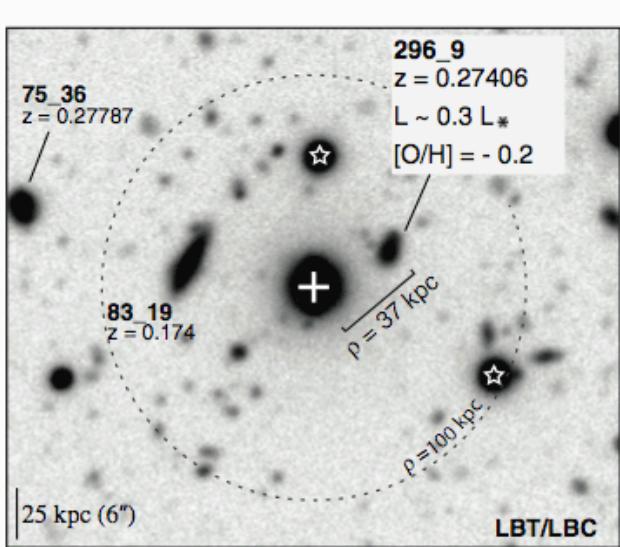
IGM Absorption Spectrum (HST/COS)



Danforth, Keeney, France, et al.

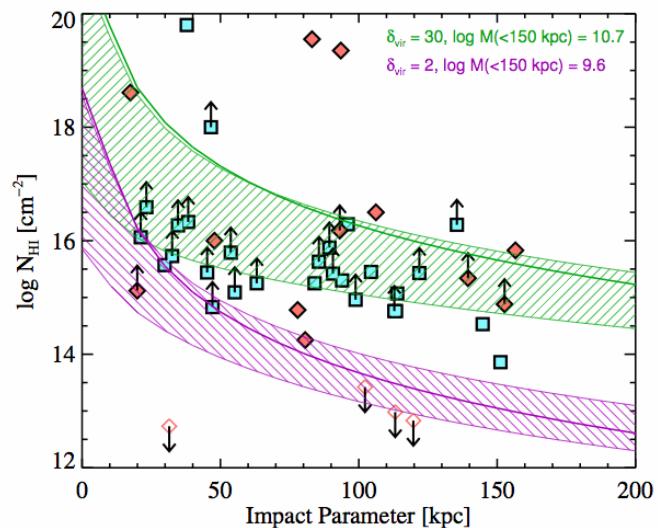
Courtesy Jim Green

Spectroscopic evidence for circumgalactic cold accretion



Low metallicity Lyman limit system at $z = 0.27$

Ribaudo+ 2011



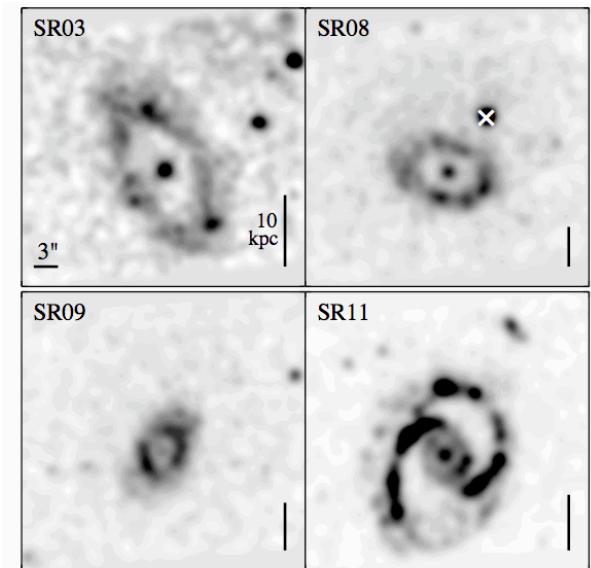
HI features (HST/COS) in halos of distant galaxies: $M_{\text{gas}} \sim M_{\text{stars}}$

Tumlinson+ 2013



GALEX/Bigiel+ 2010

UV imaging evidence
for CGM: "XUV"
star formation



HST/Fang+ 2012

STAR FORMATION IN EARLY-TYPE GALAXIES

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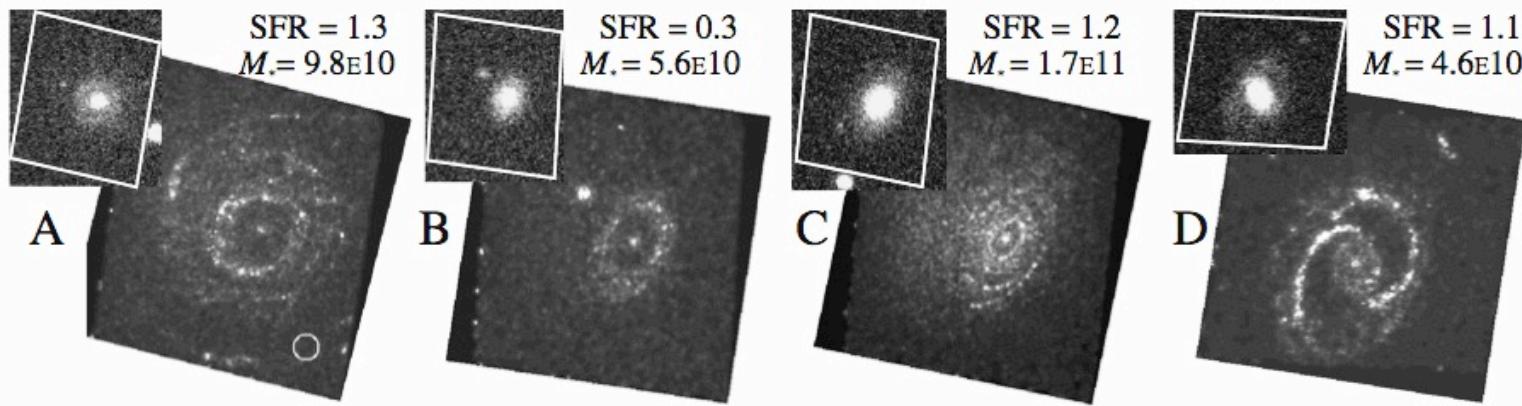
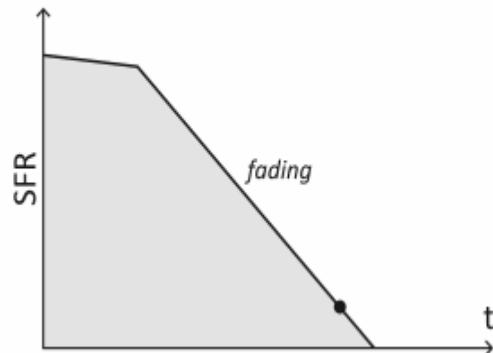


Figure 3. HST ACS/SBC far-UV images of several strong UV-excess galaxies. Insets show SDSS g -band image. ACS images are $\sim 33''$ across (~ 63 kpc). SFRs are given in $M_\odot \text{yr}^{-1}$ and stellar masses in M_\odot .

Salim & Rich 2010

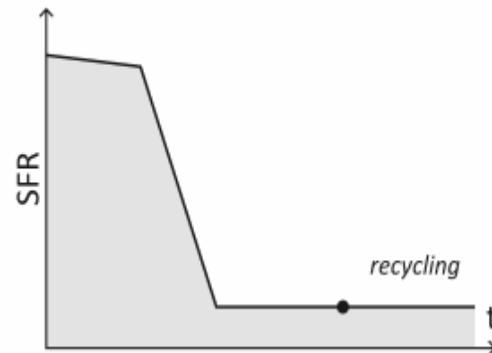
UV/optical discrimination between late epoch star formation histories in early-type galaxies (Salim+ 2012)

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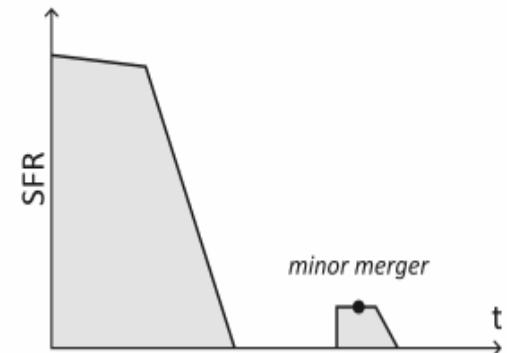
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(2) SF due to recycling



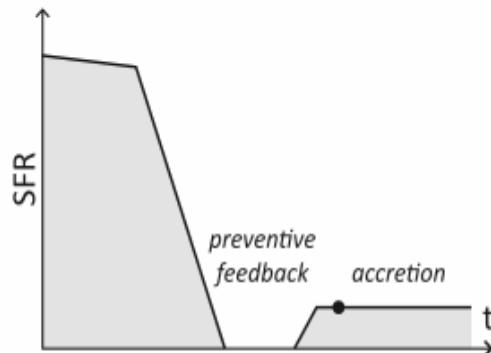
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(3) Minor mergers



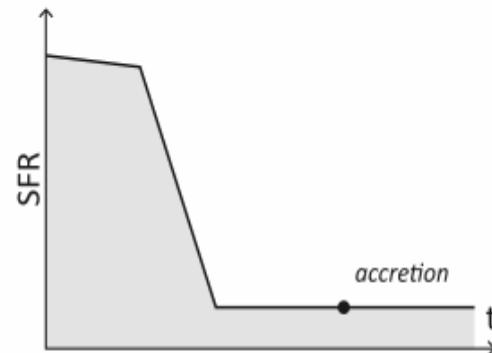
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(4a) IGM accretion (intermittent)



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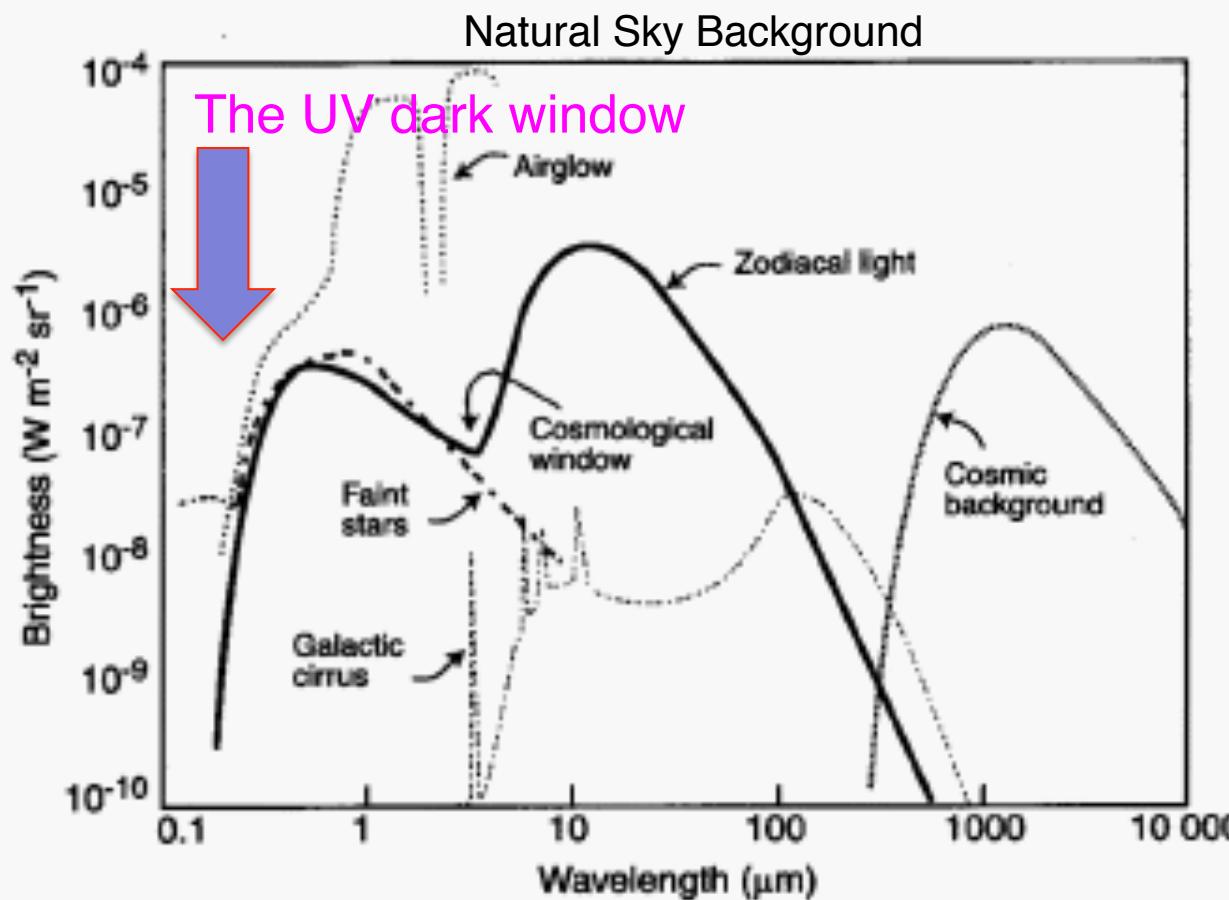
(4b) IGM accretion (quasi-static)



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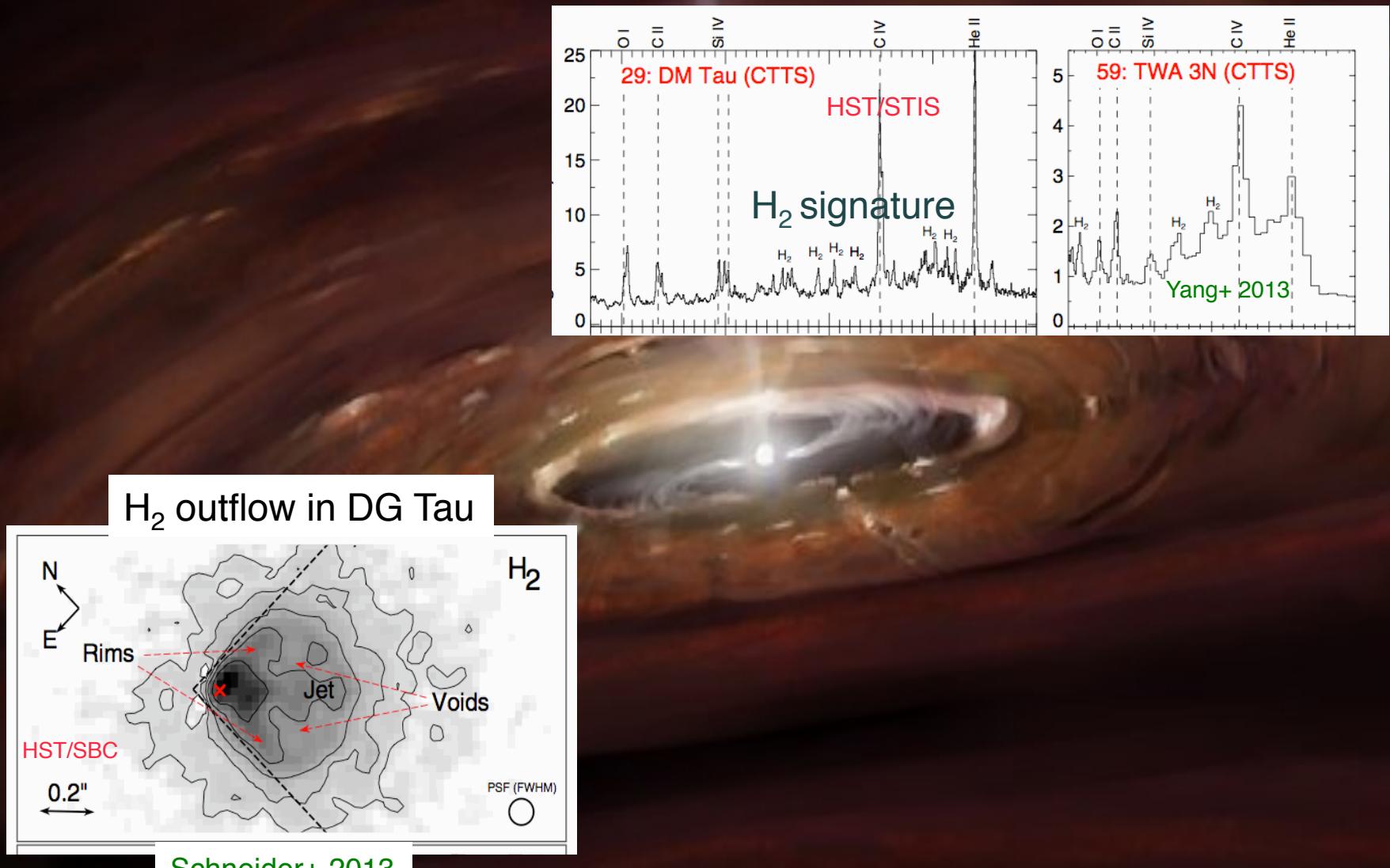
Low-surface
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UV science

M82 wind galactic (GALEX)

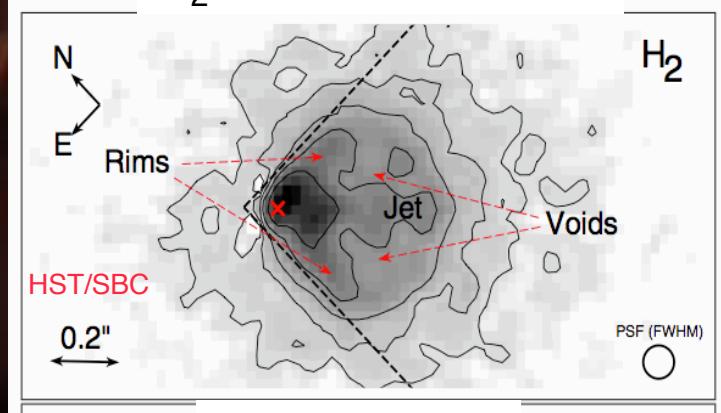


Mira tail (GALEX)

Assembly and physics of protoplanetary disks



H_2 outflow in DG Tau

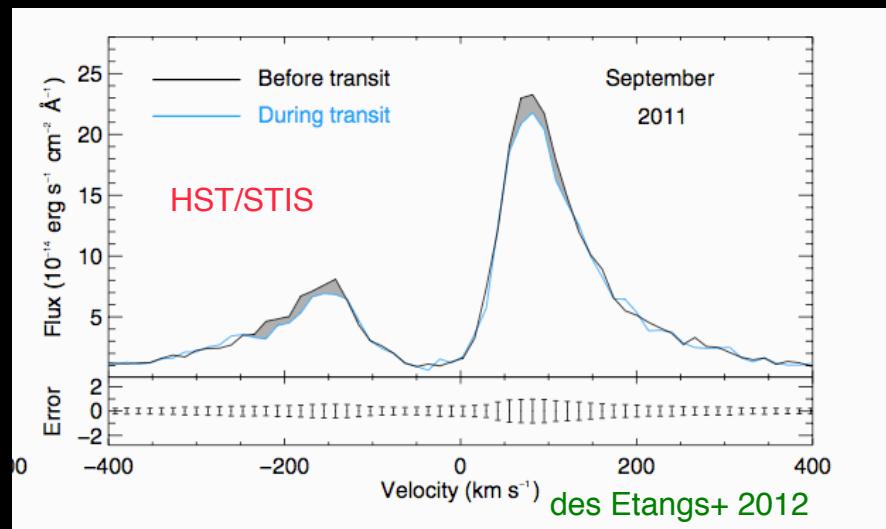
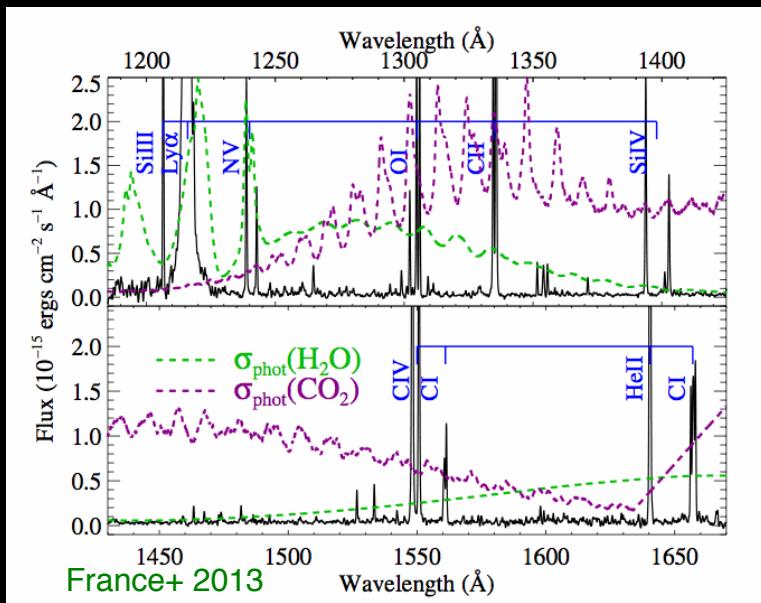


Schneider+ 2013

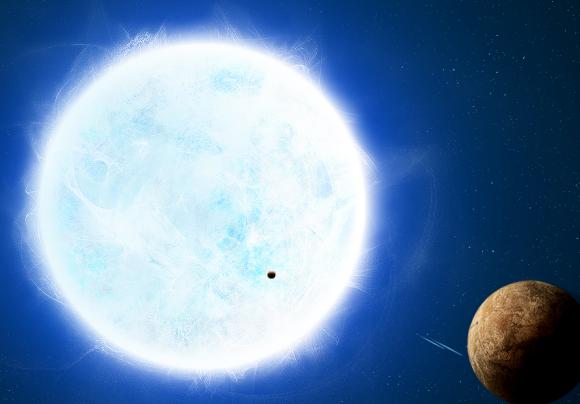
The dangerous lives of exoplanets



Ly-alpha traces evaporation
of a hot Jupiter atmosphere

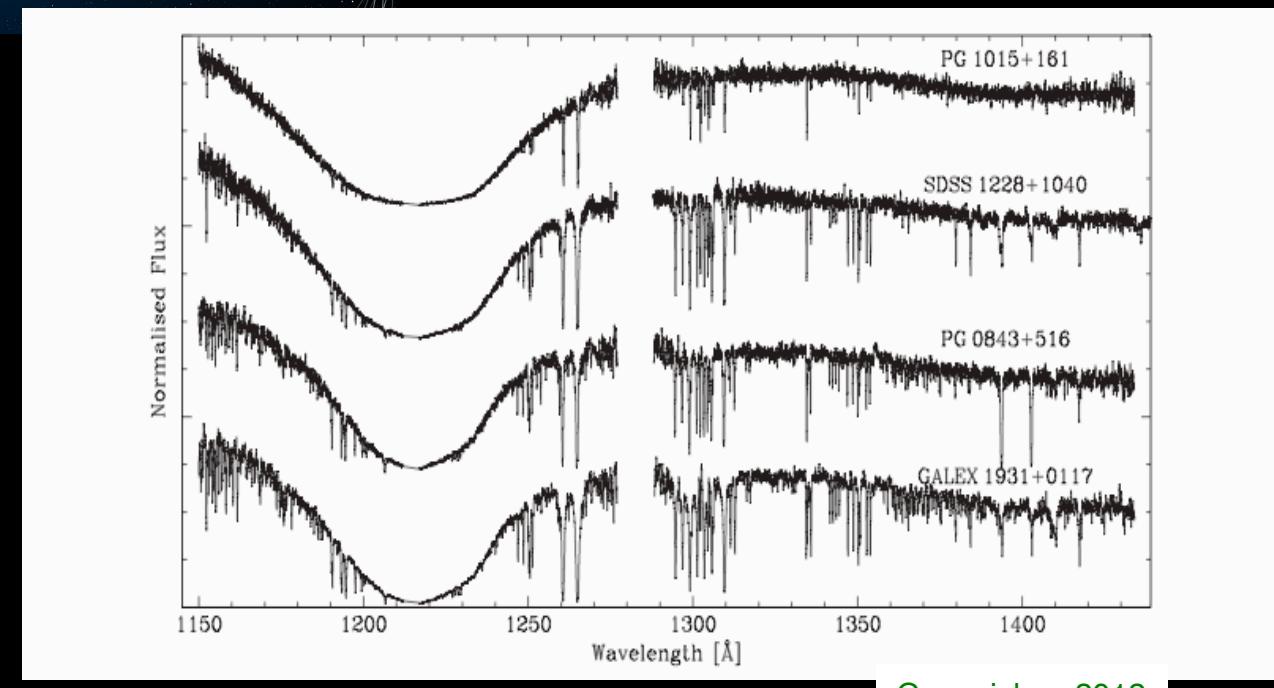


H_2O and CO_2 photo-dissociation
by dM UV flares



Planetary metallic features
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dwarfs (HST/COS)

Probing terrestrial exoplanets by their pollution of white dwarf atmospheres

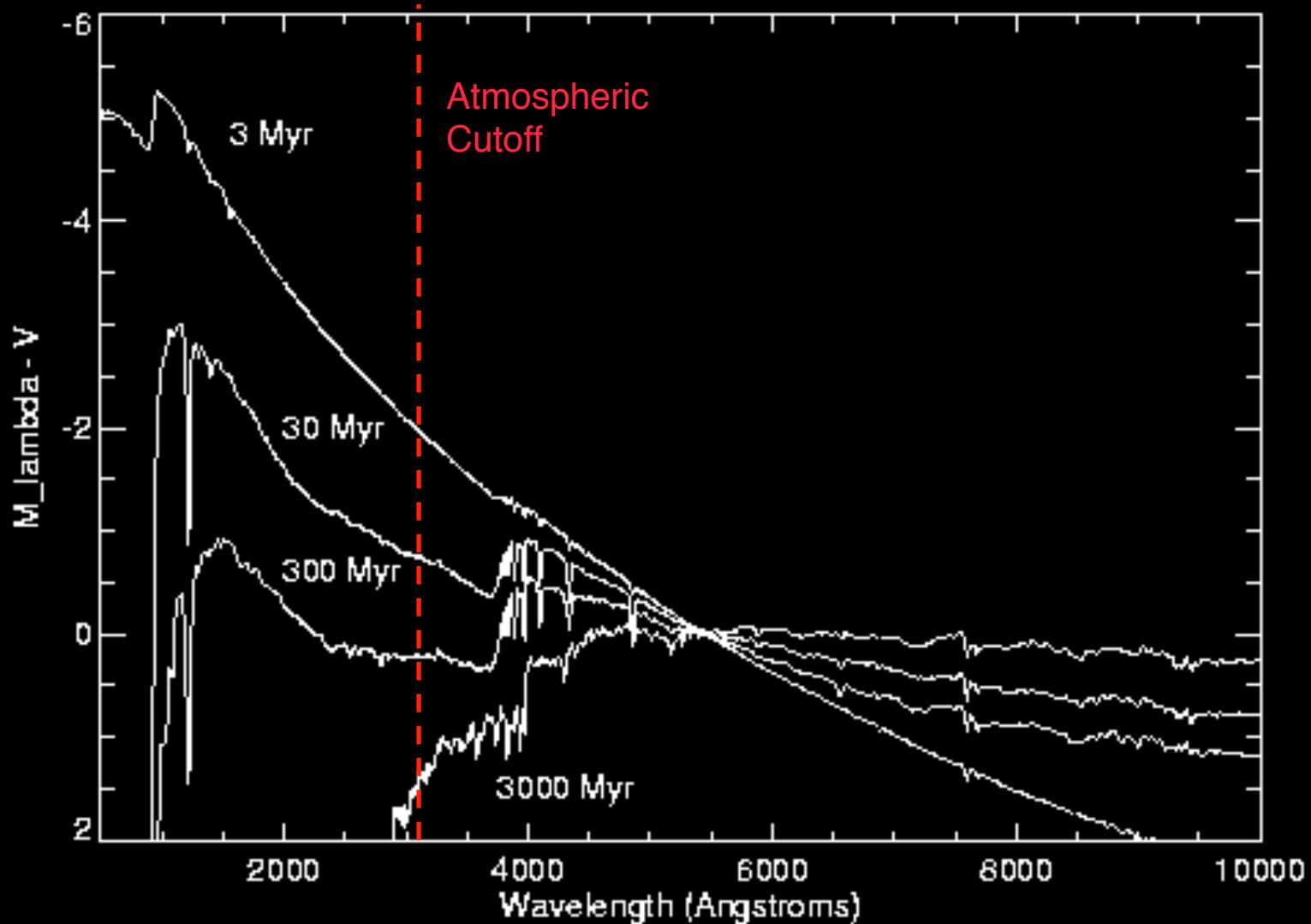


Gaensicke+ 2012



UV Determination of Galaxy Star Formation Rates and Histories

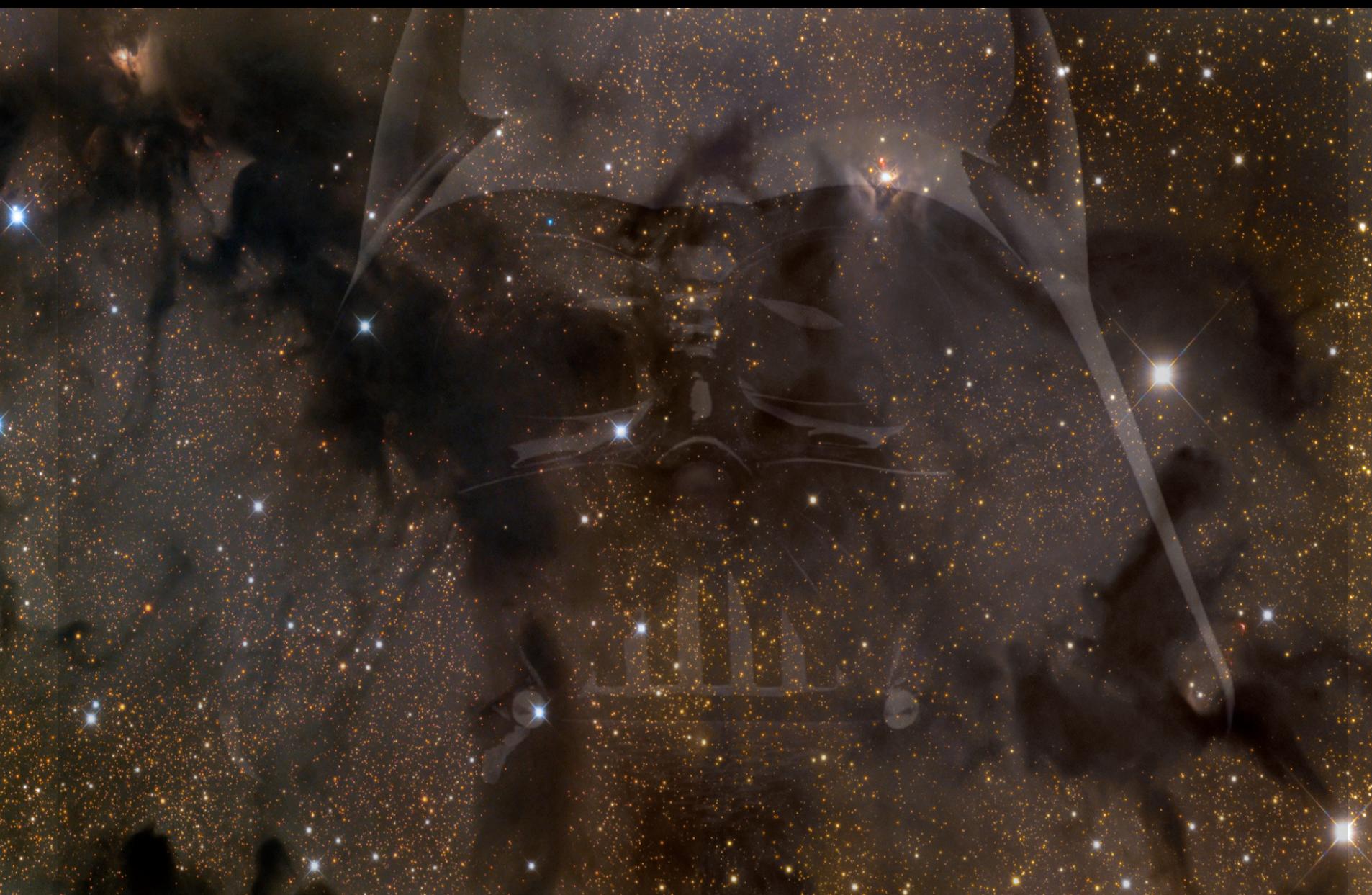
Integrated energy distributions of stellar populations: UV sensitivity to age



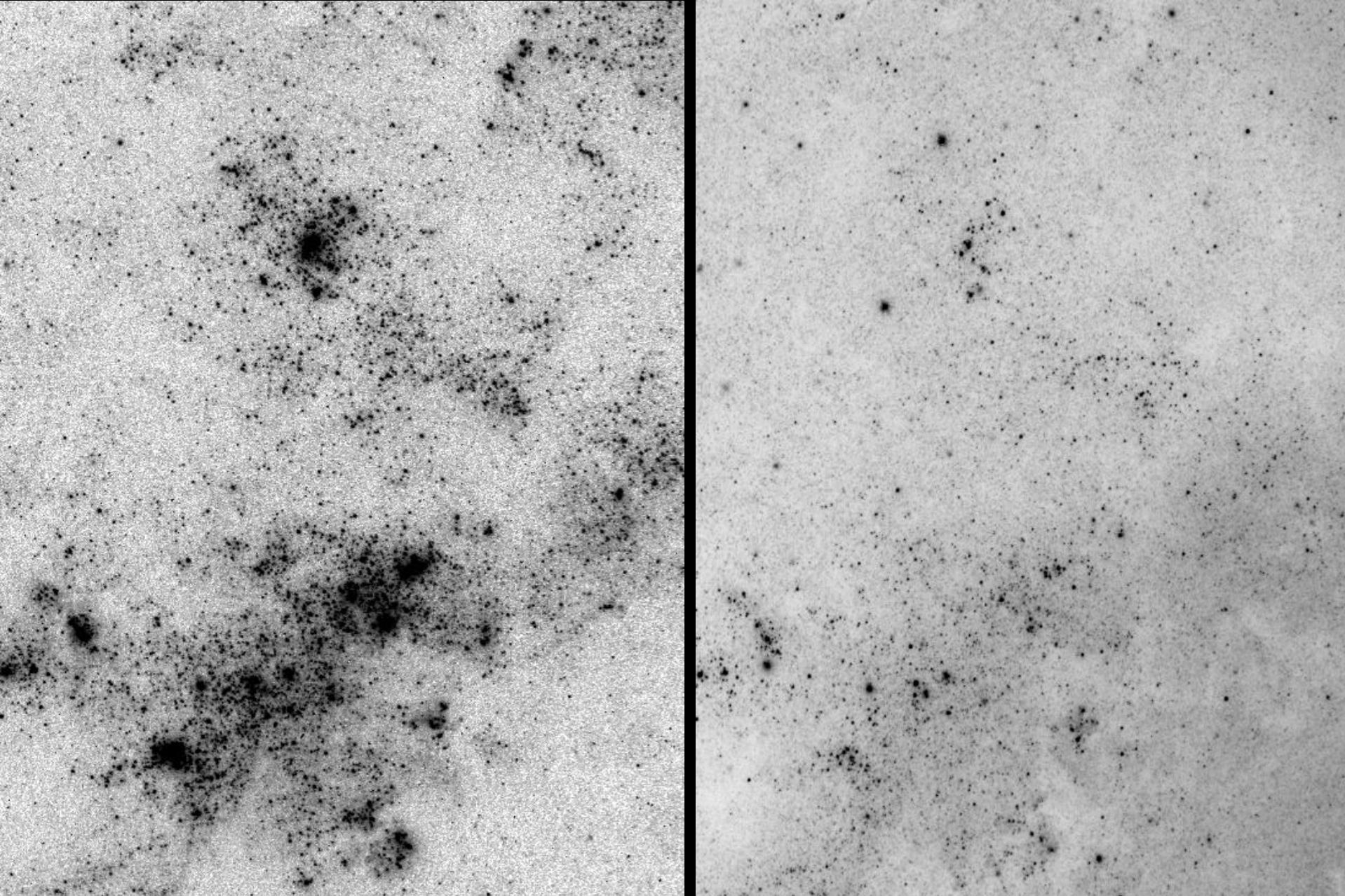
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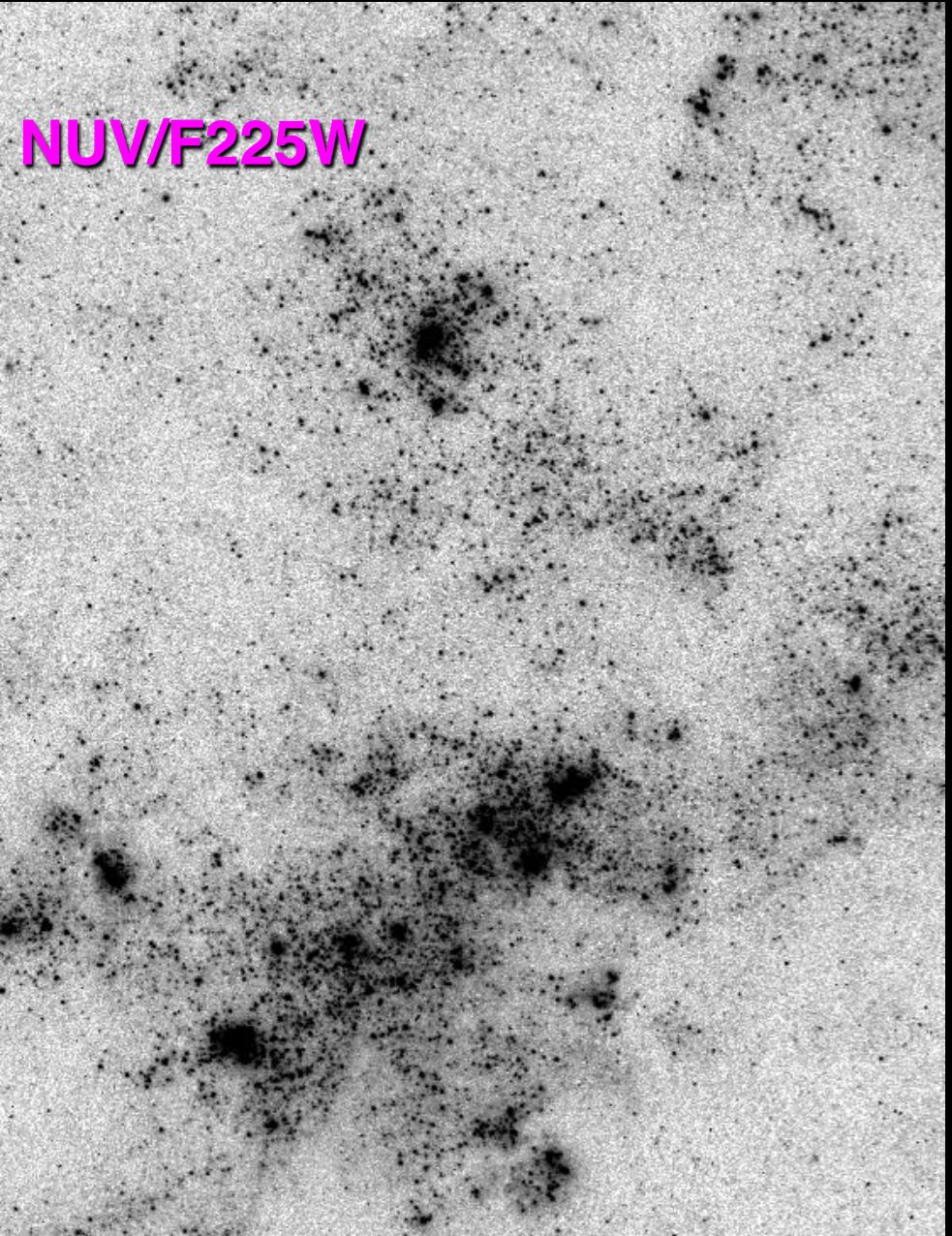


M83: NUV vs NIR bands (HST/WFC3)



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NUV/F225W

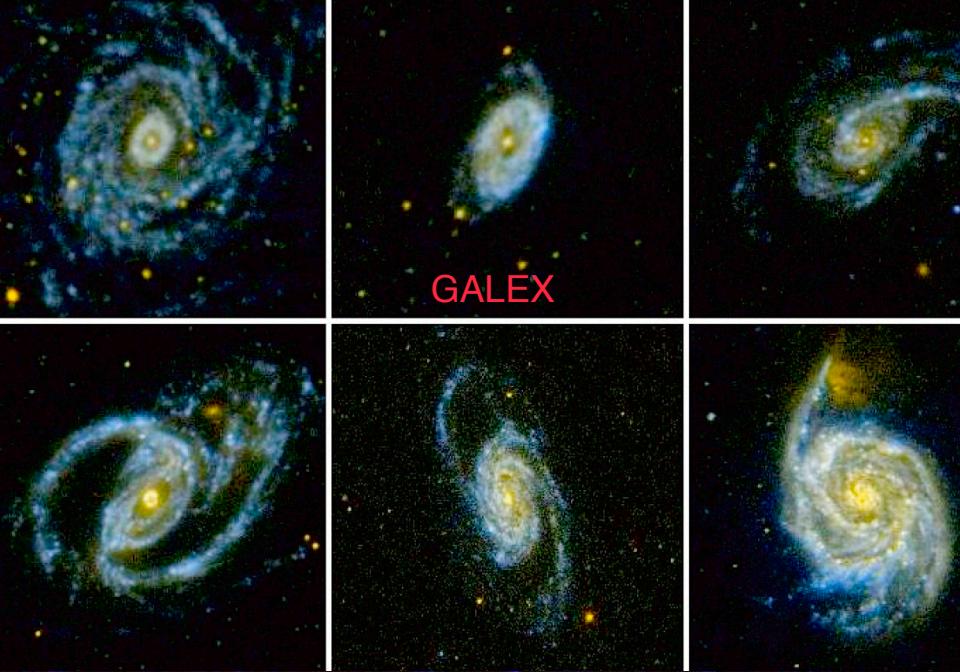


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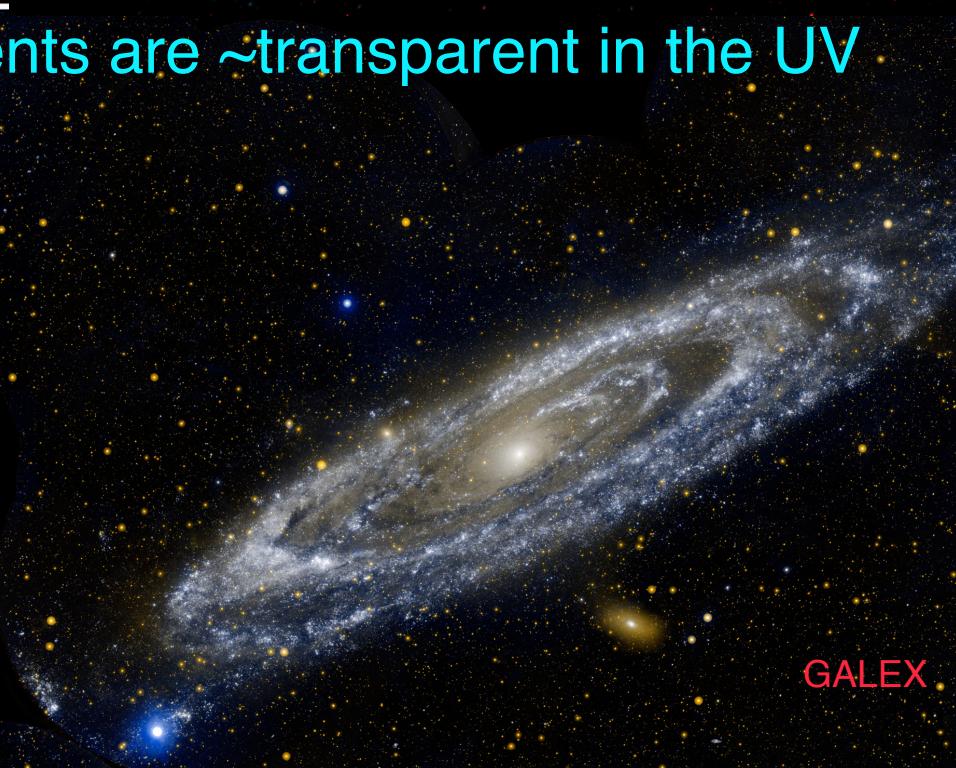
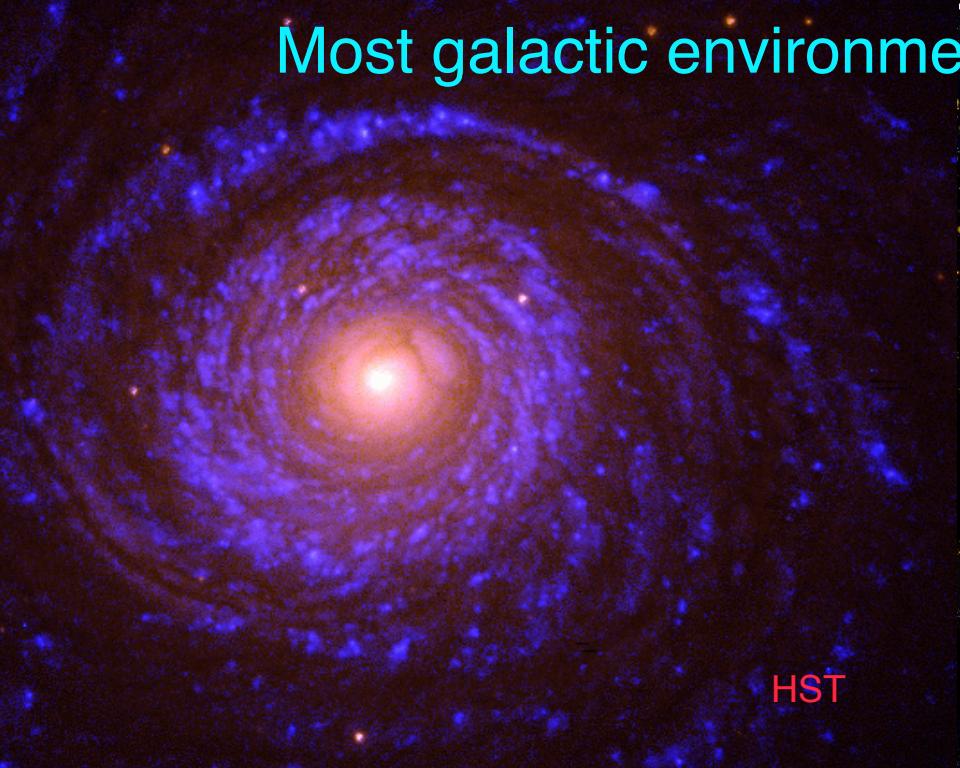


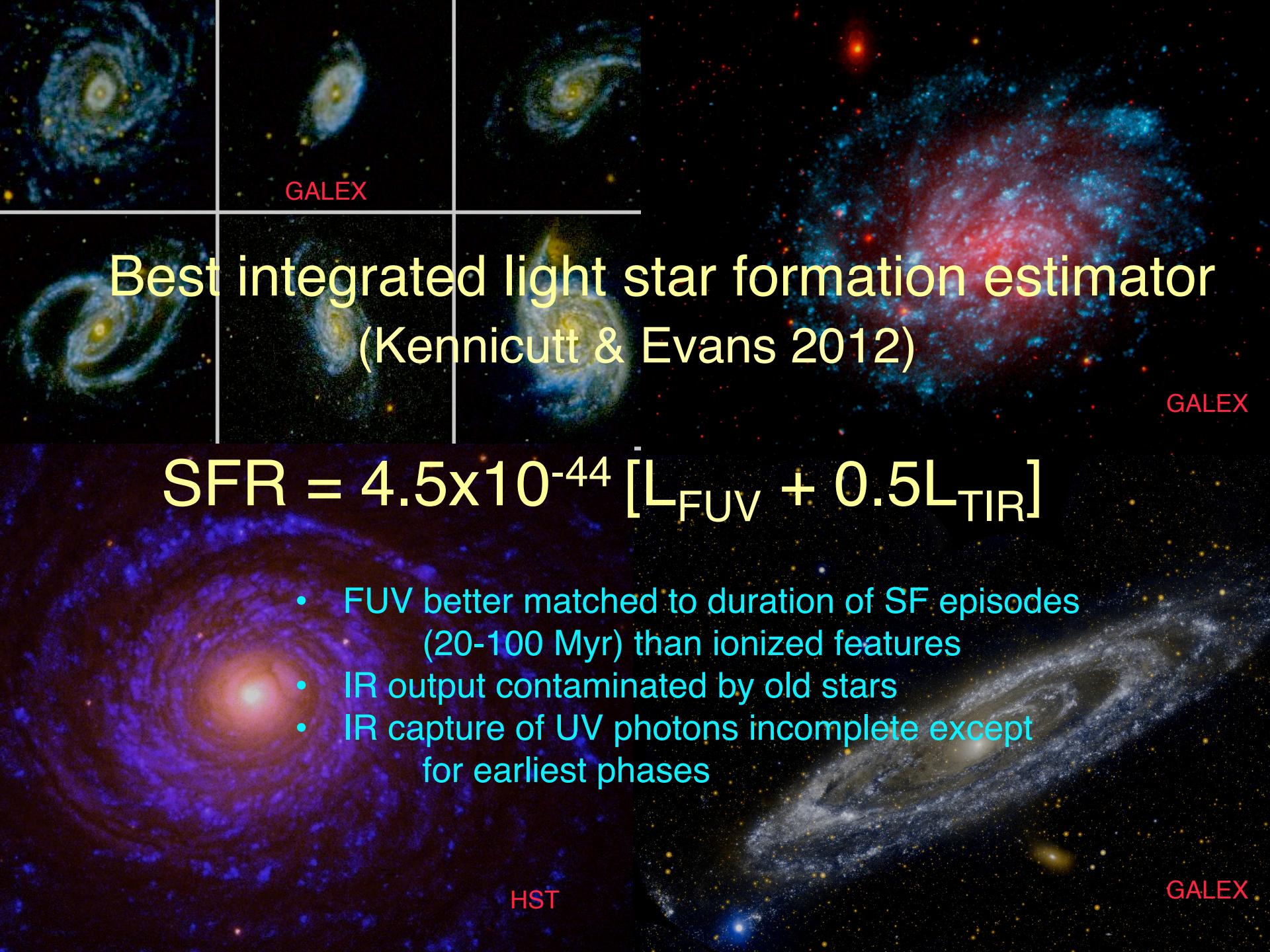


M83: NUV-to-blue band composite (WFC3)



Most galactic environments are ~transparent in the UV





Best integrated light star formation estimator (Kennicutt & Evans 2012)

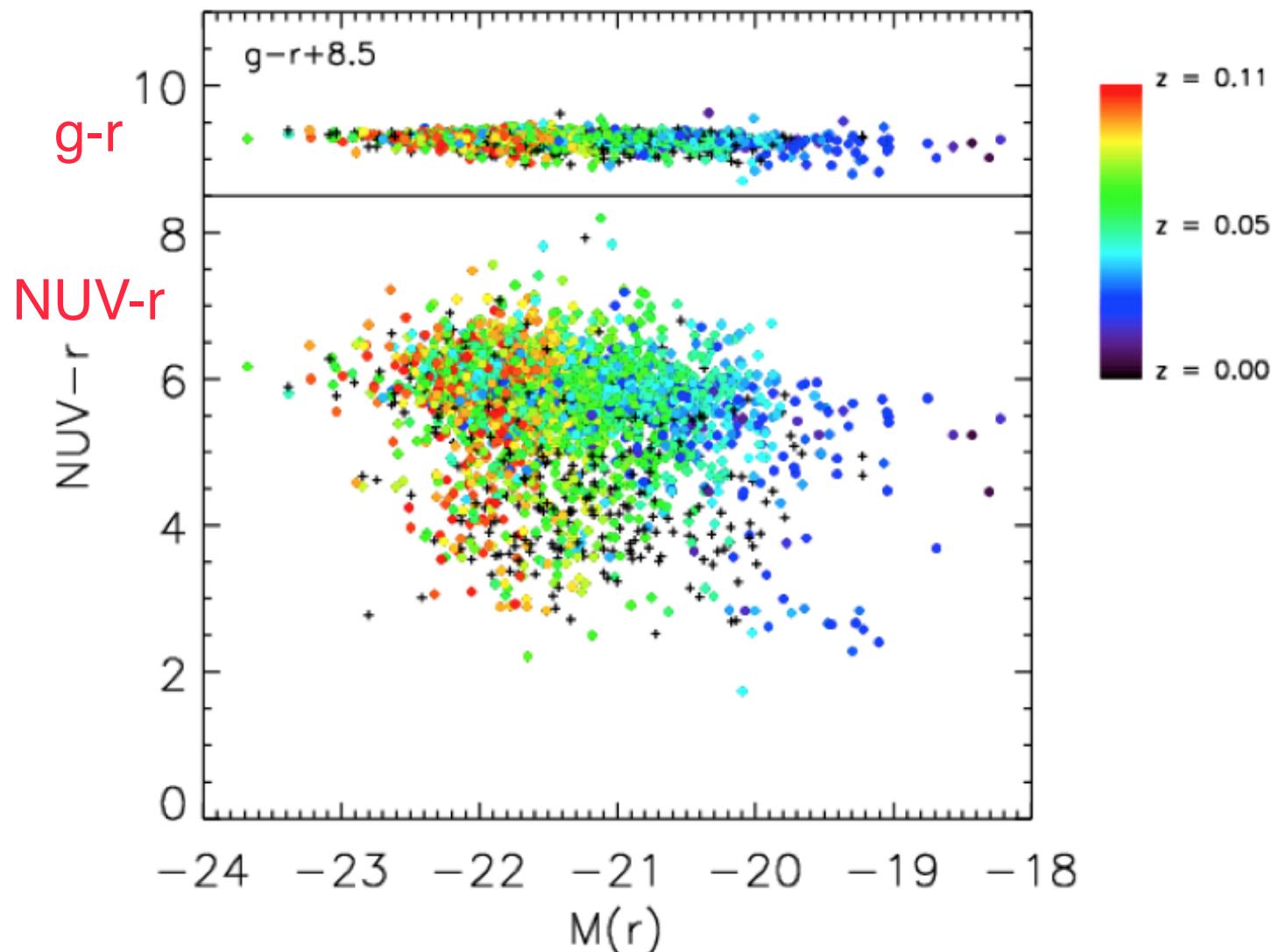
$$\text{SFR} = 4.5 \times 10^{-44} [\text{L}_{\text{FUV}} + 0.5\text{L}_{\text{TIR}}]$$

- FUV better matched to duration of SF episodes (20-100 Myr) than ionized features
- IR output contaminated by old stars
- IR capture of UV photons incomplete except for earliest phases

HST

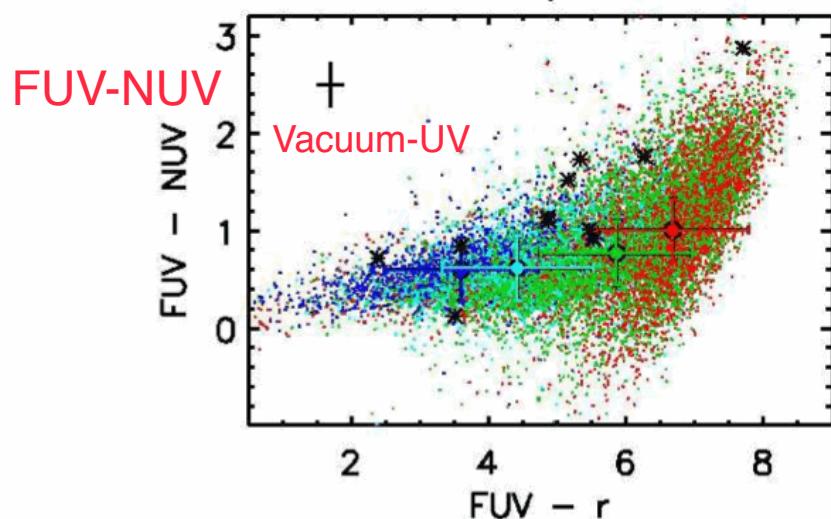
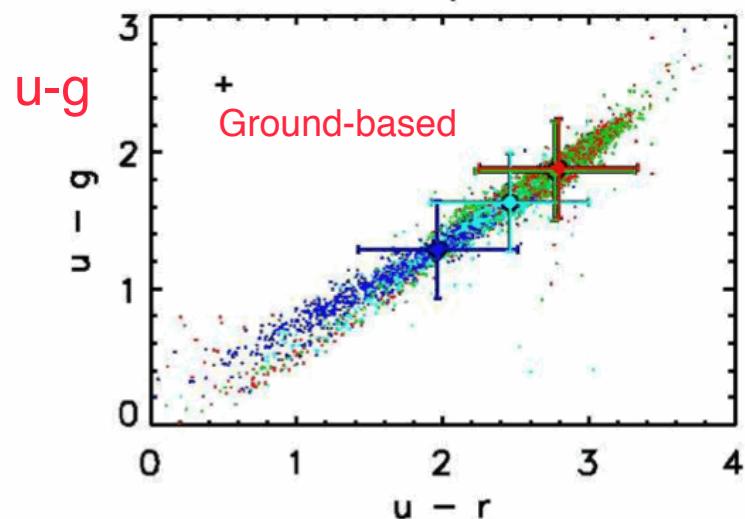
GALEX

GALEX/UV revelation of complex star-formation histories (0.1-1 Gyr) in ETG's ($\sim 30\%$)



Early-type galaxies: dispersion in (GALEX + SDSS) colors

Vacuum-UV contains new/independent information on stellar populations
(even CUBES UV won't help)



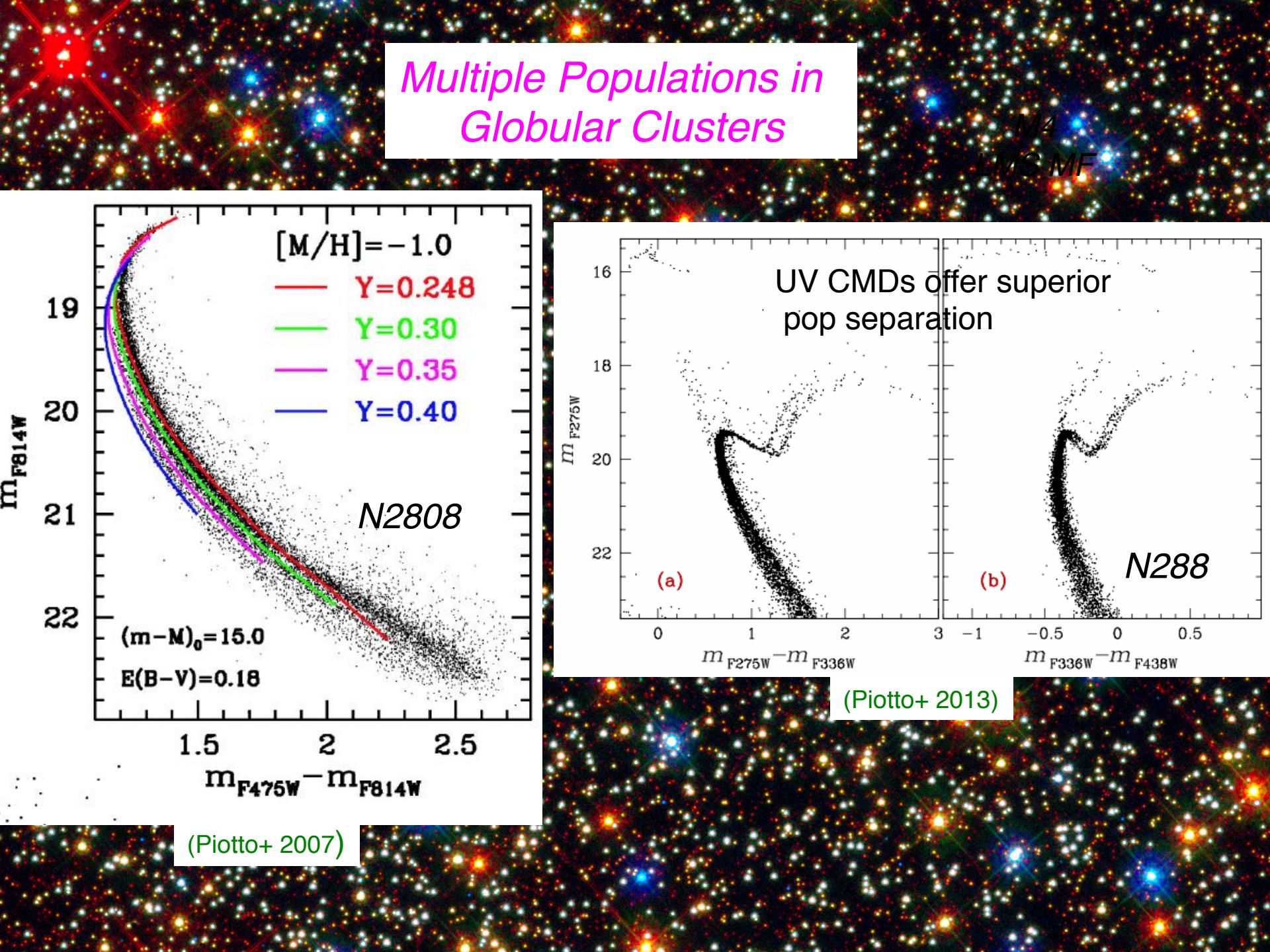
Ree+ (2011)



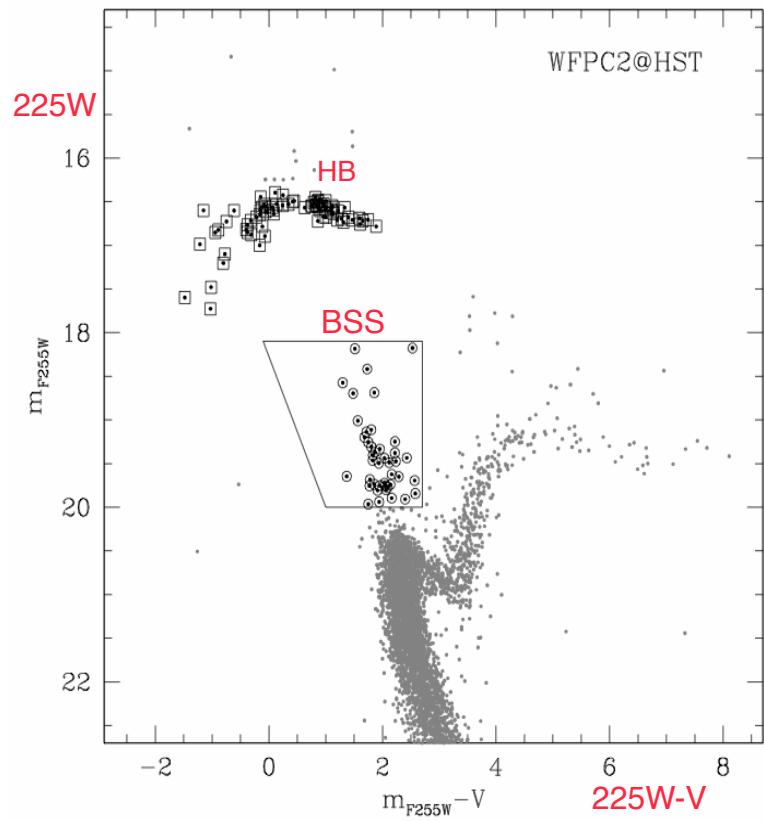
The UV perspective on globular clusters

Omega Centauri – HST/WFC3
225W, 336W, 814W

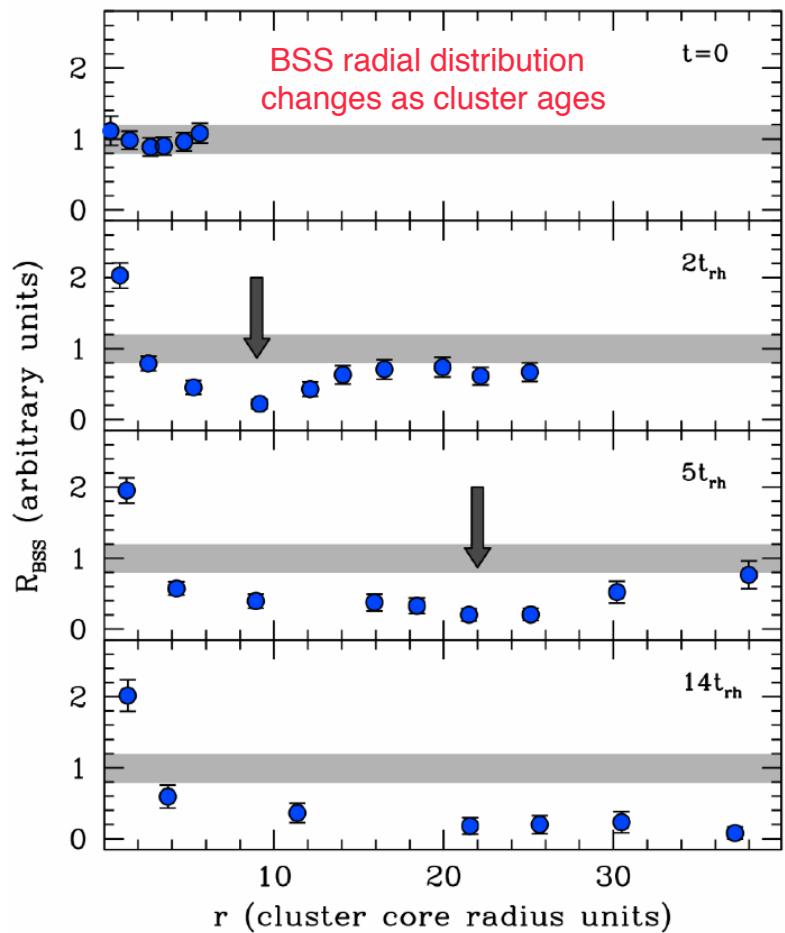
Multiple Populations in Globular Clusters



UV identification of (binary) Blue Stragglers as tracers of cluster dynamical evolution



Dalellandro+ (2013)

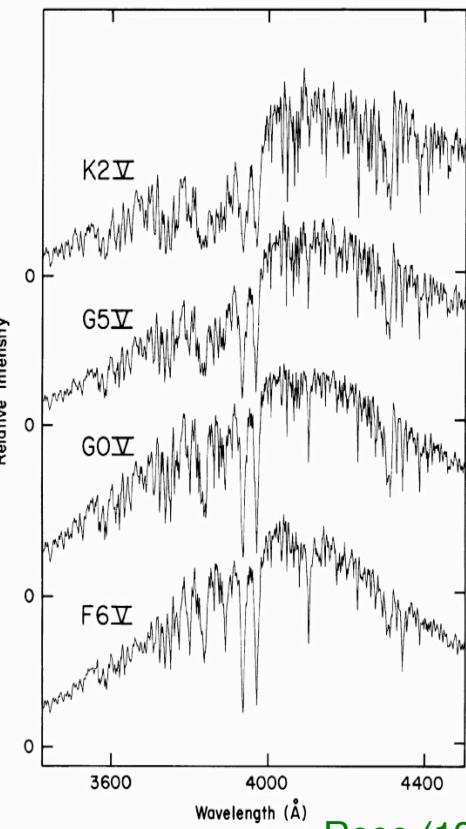


Ferraro+ (2012)

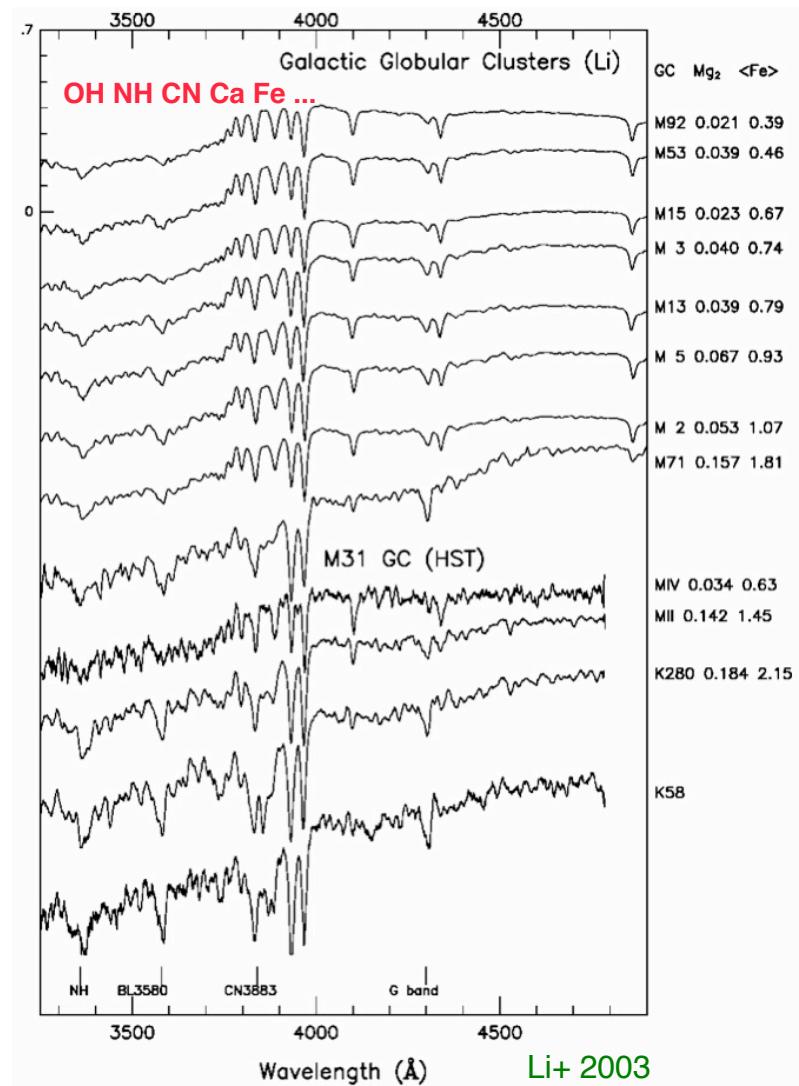
Dynamical "chronometer"

BSS radial distribution
changes as cluster ages

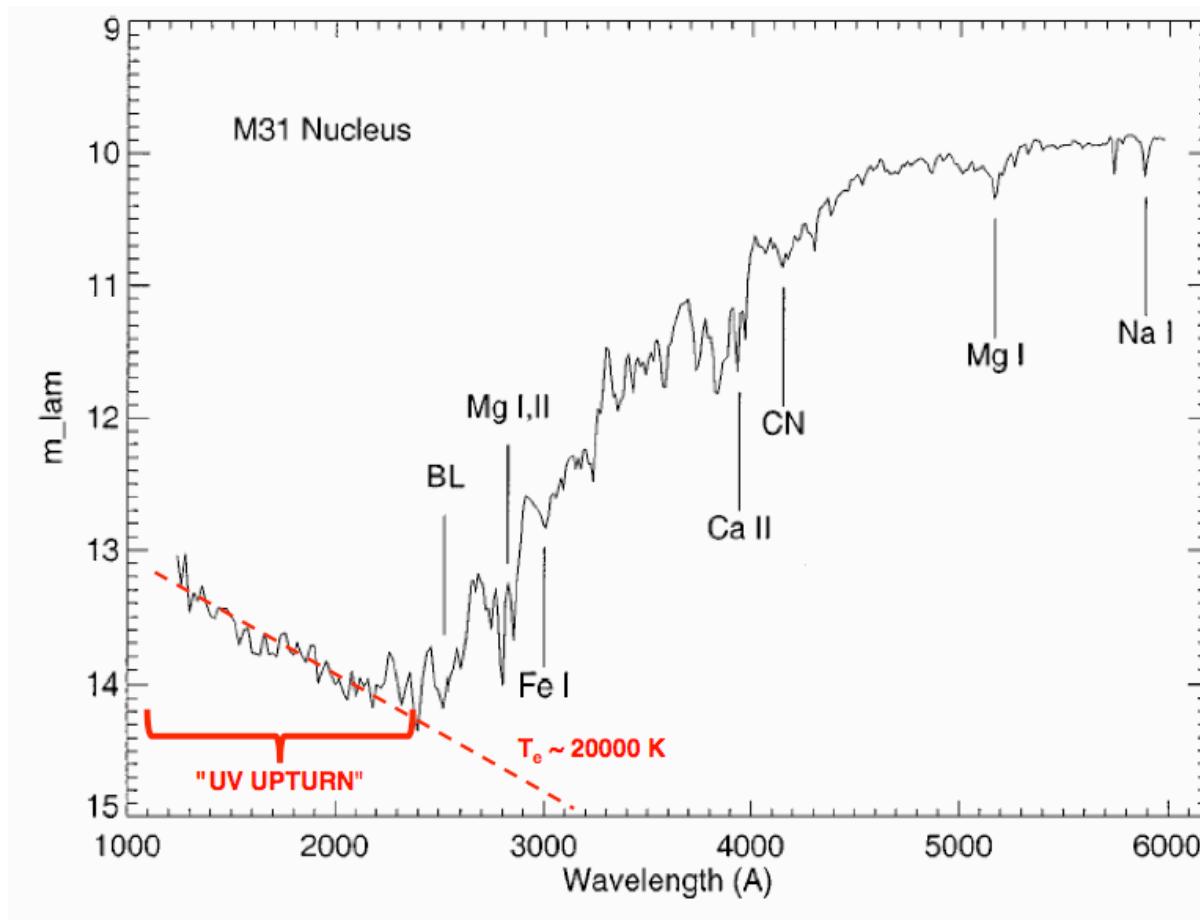
Old stellar population integrated light discriminants in the CUBES UV



Most of the information on older stellar populations is at wavelengths < 4500 Å

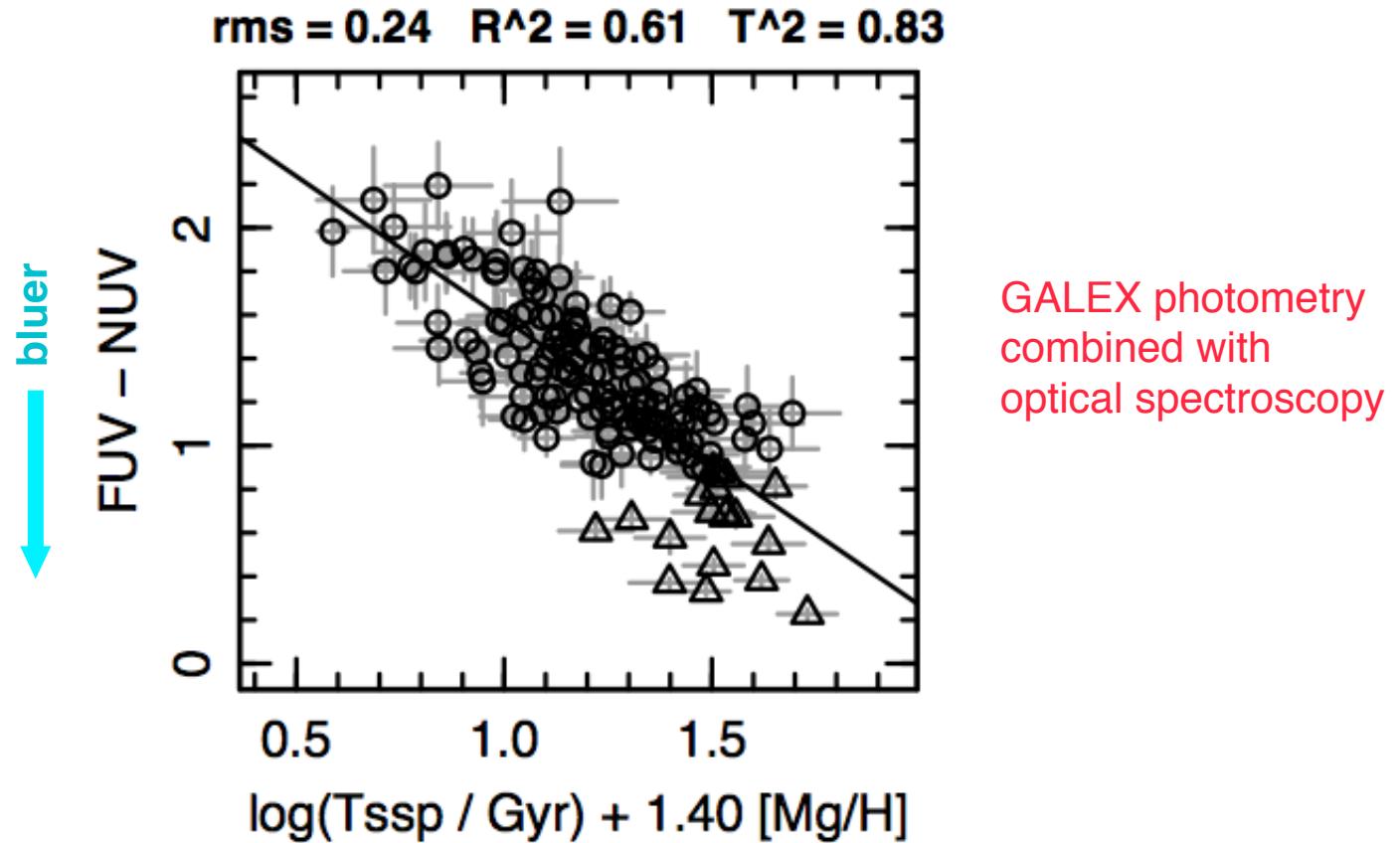


The "UV Upturn" in early-type galaxies: recent results



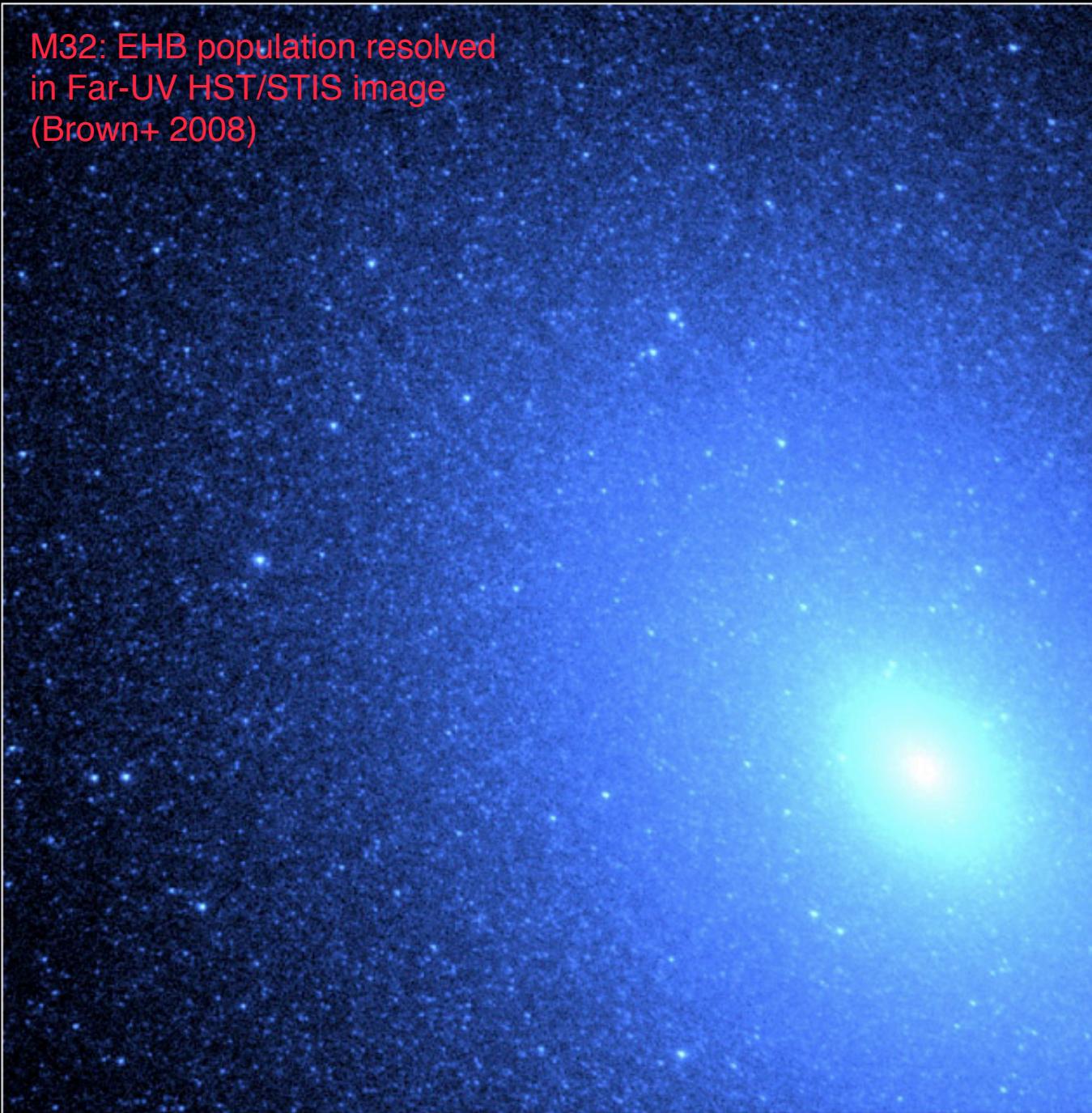
Accepted interpretation: extreme horizontal branch (EHB) & related
He-burning stars in the dominant, old, metal-rich population

UVX: Confirm correlation with properties of old population (Coma Cluster)



Smith+ MNRAS, 421, 2982, 2012

M32: EHB population resolved
in Far-UV HST/STIS image
(Brown+ 2008)



UV CMD for M32 (Brown+ 2008): EHB confirmed as source of UVX

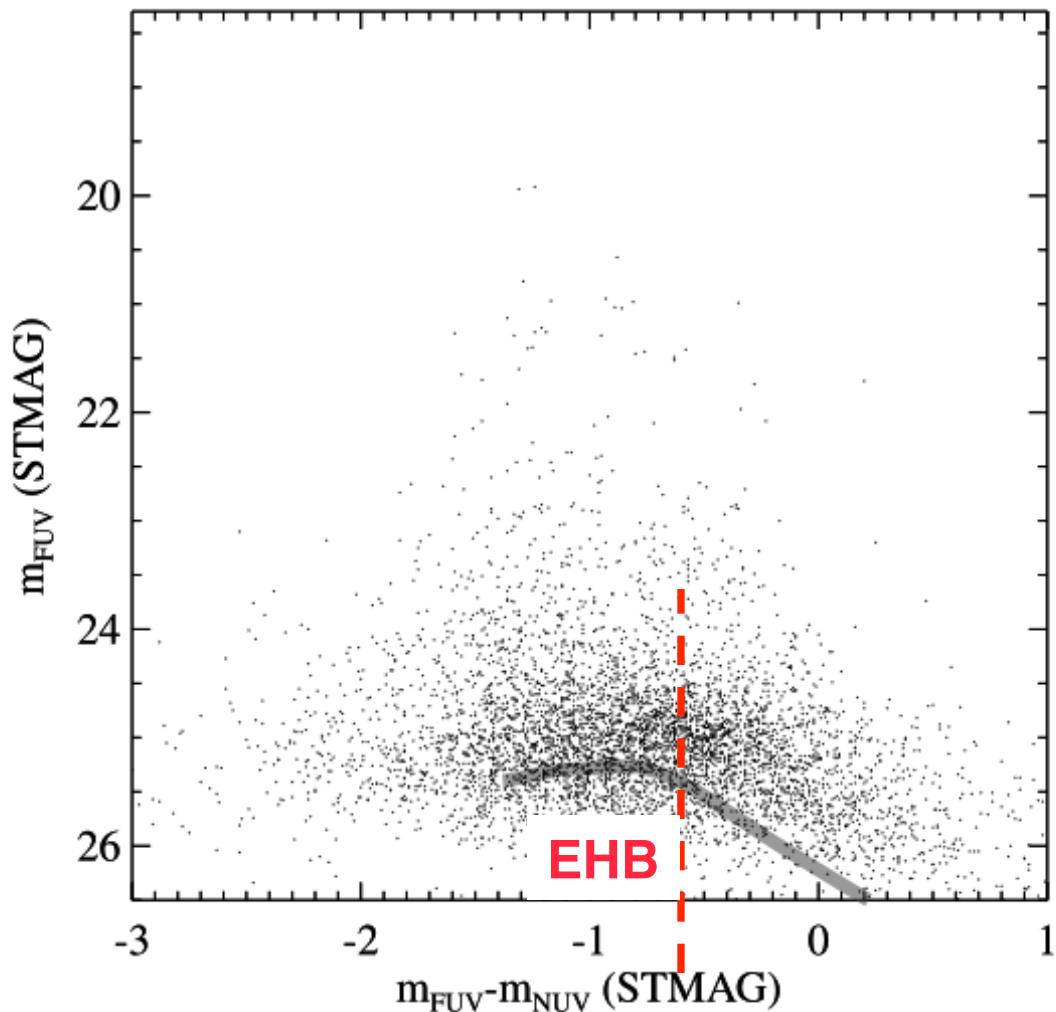


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UV CMD for M32 (Brown+ 2008): But....

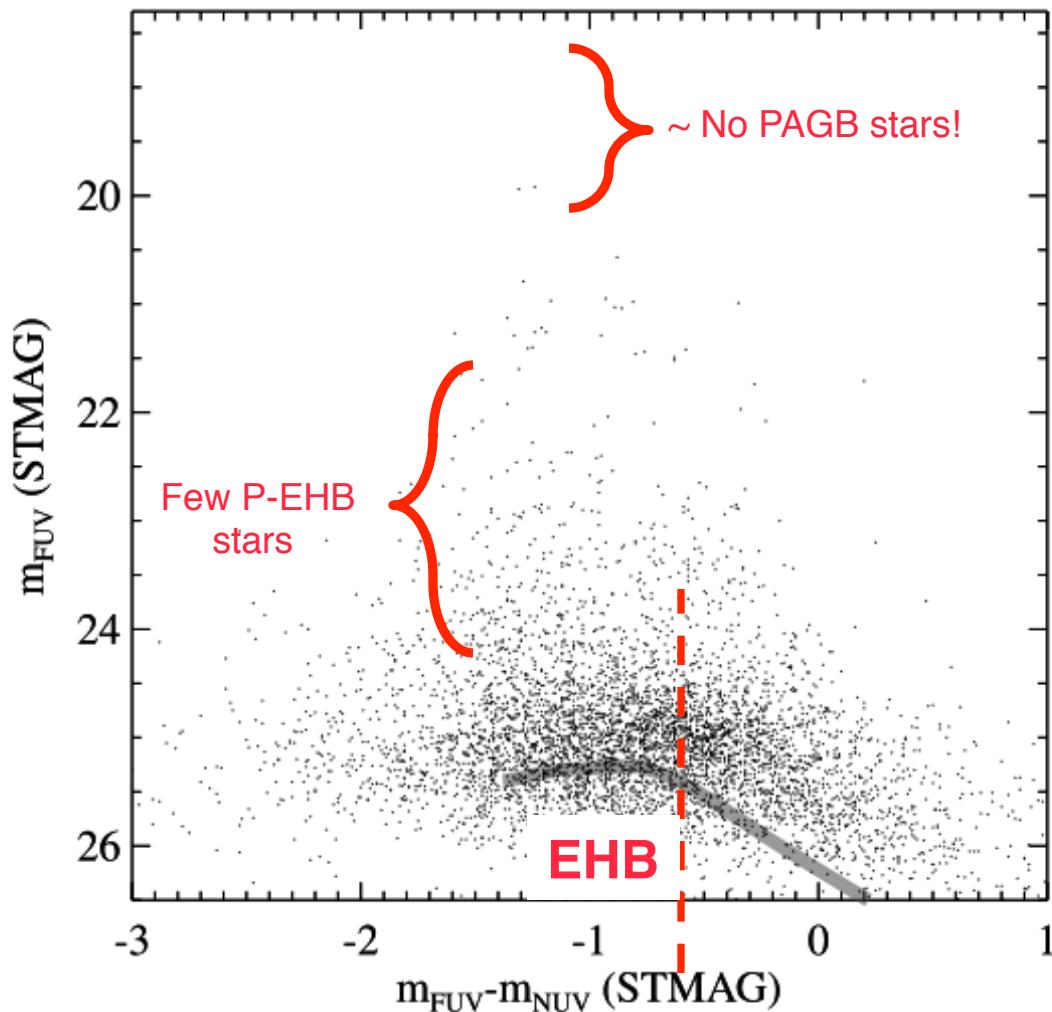
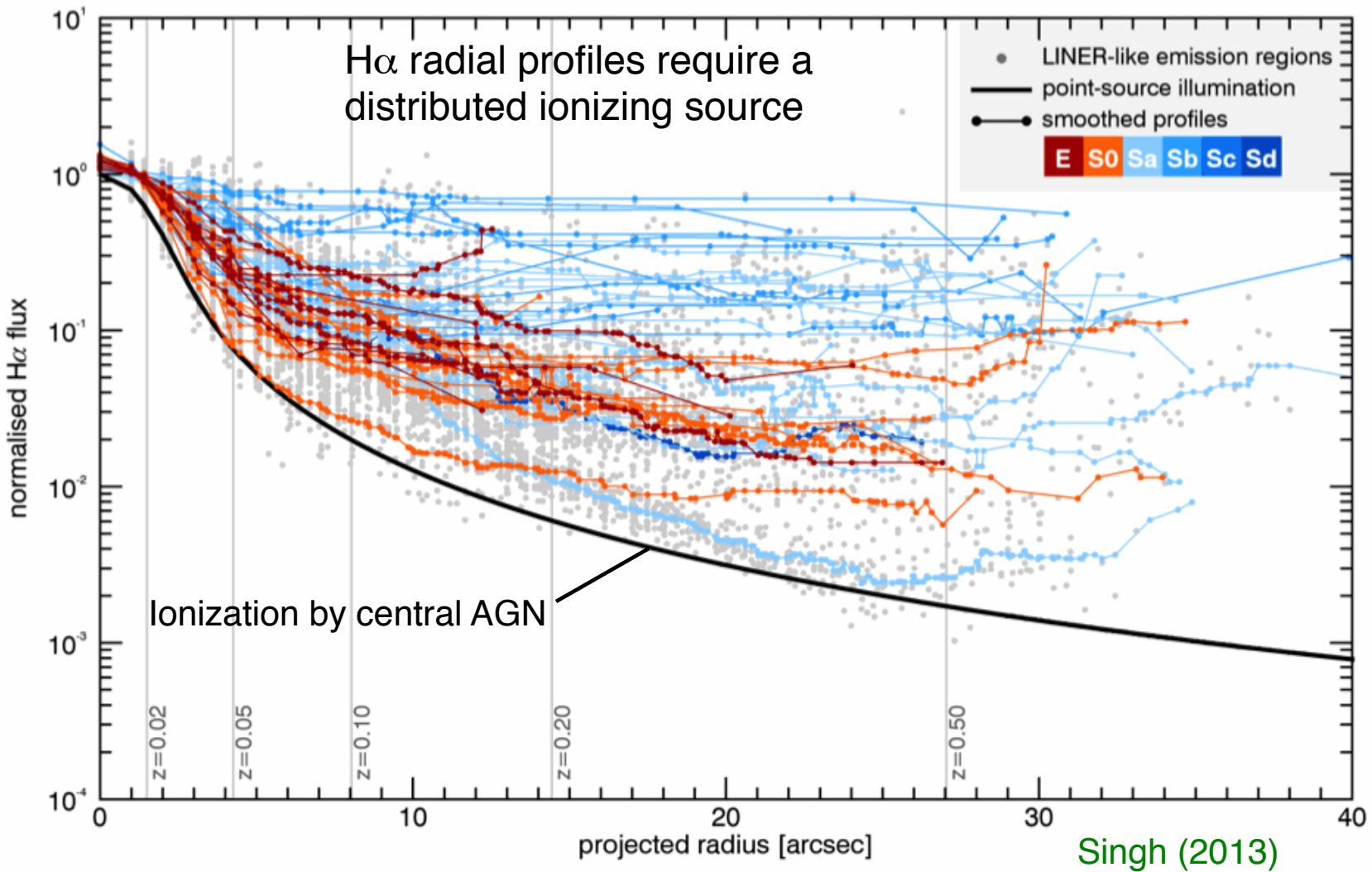


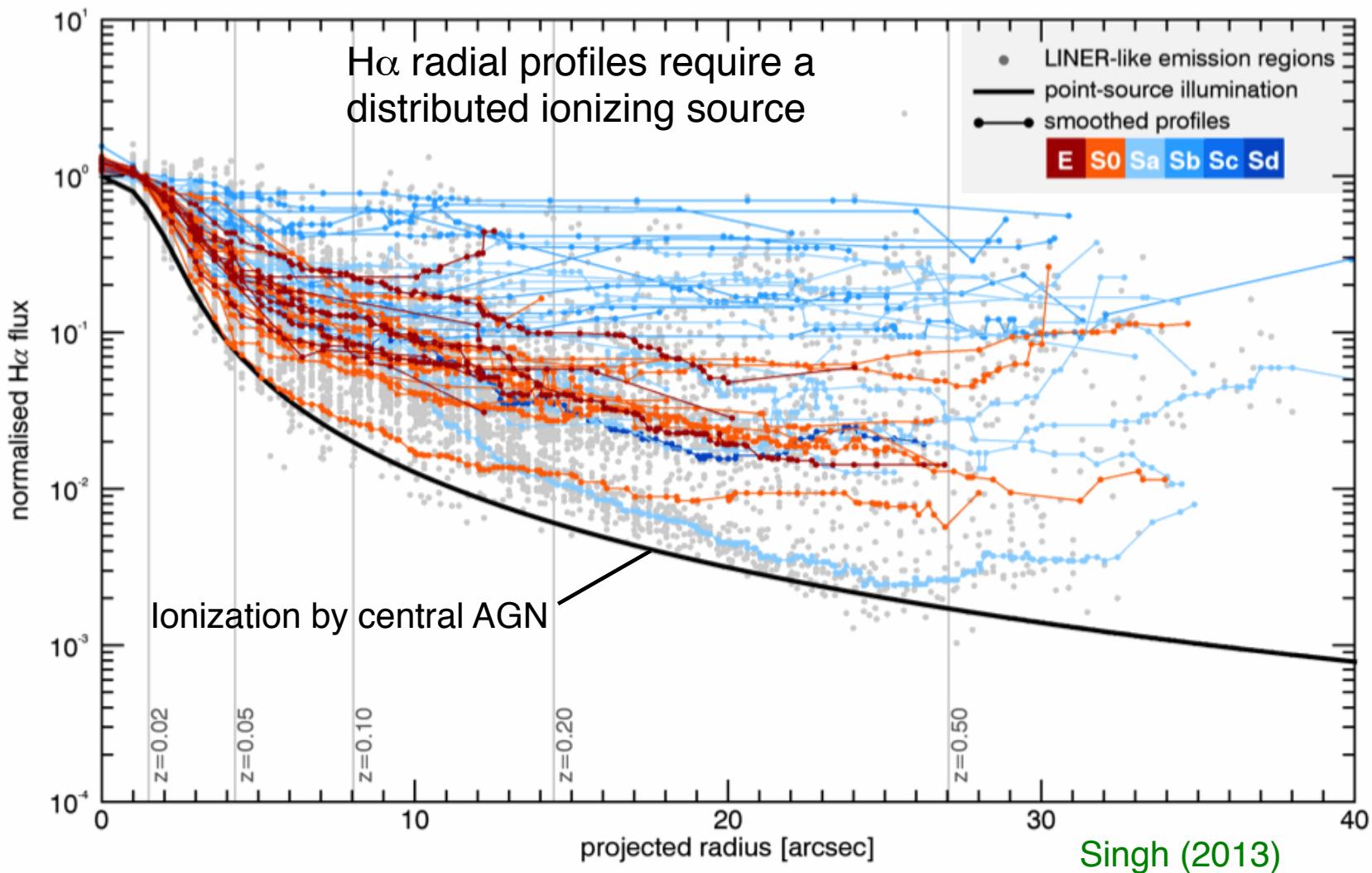
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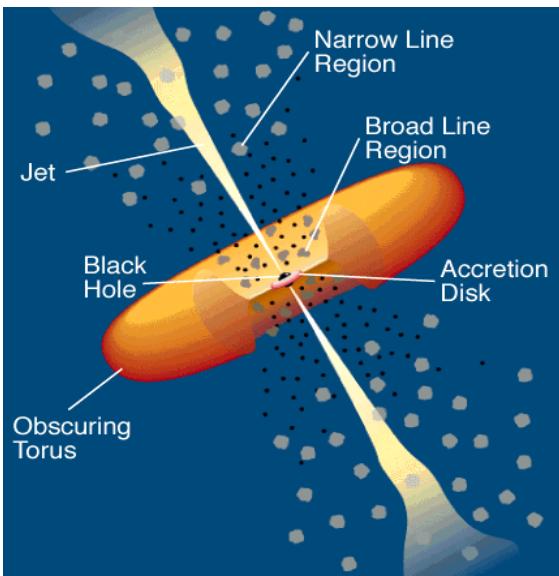
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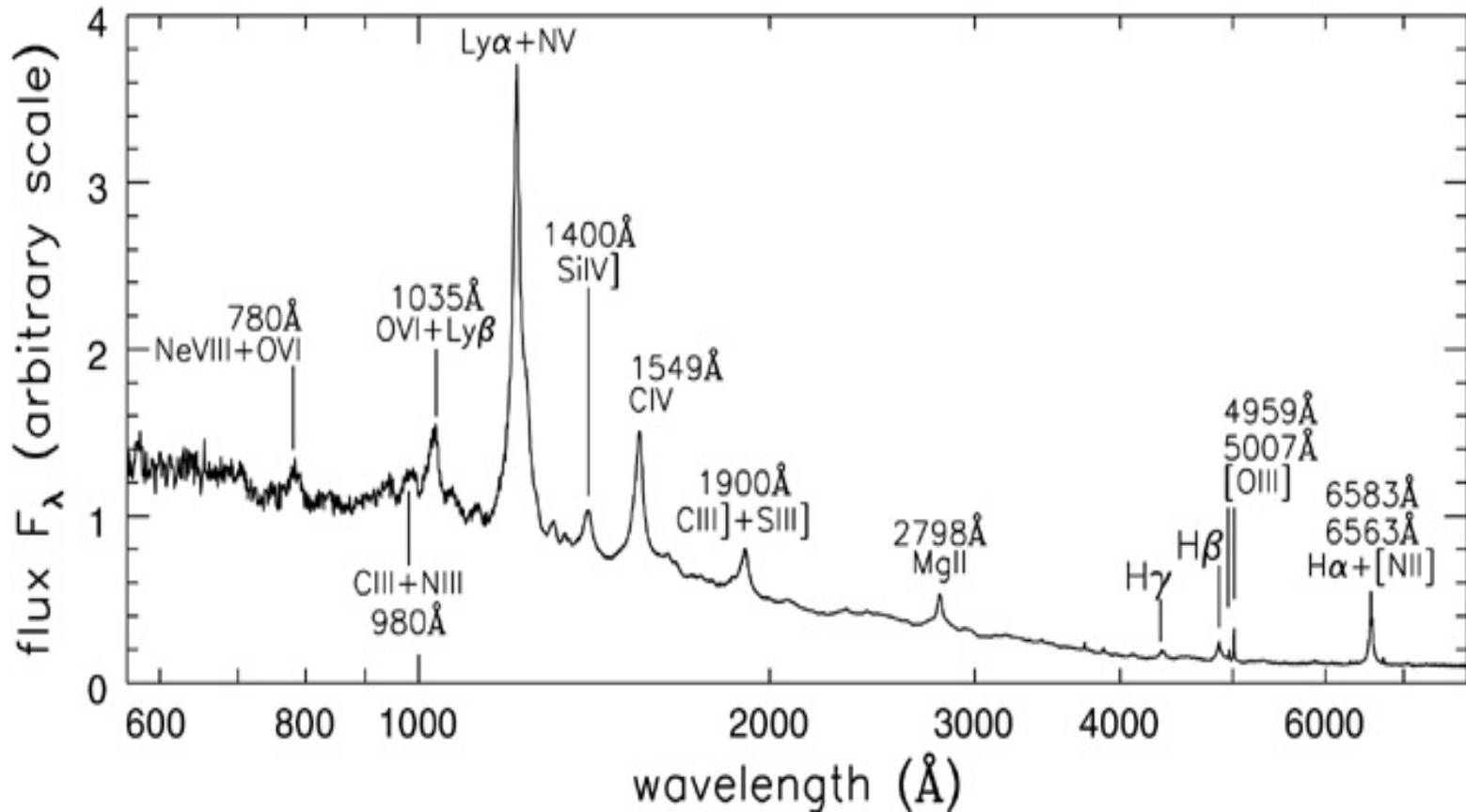
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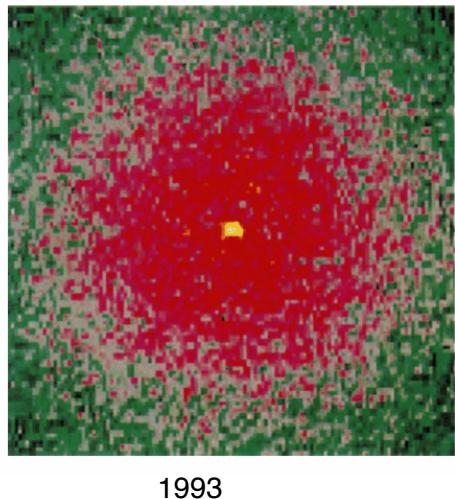




AGN: rich UV spectra are prime diagnostics of physical properties

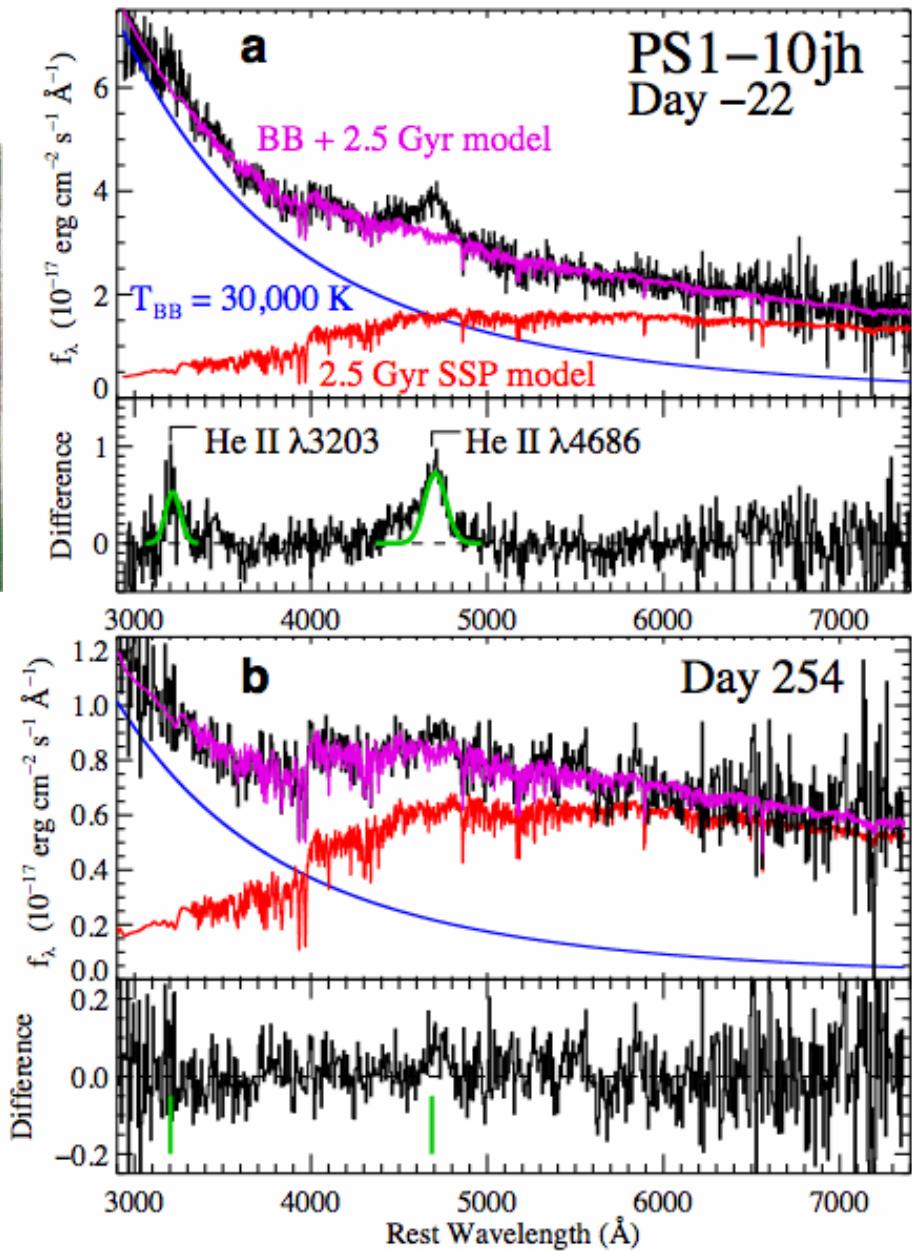


UV Nuclear Flares: Tidal Disruption Events



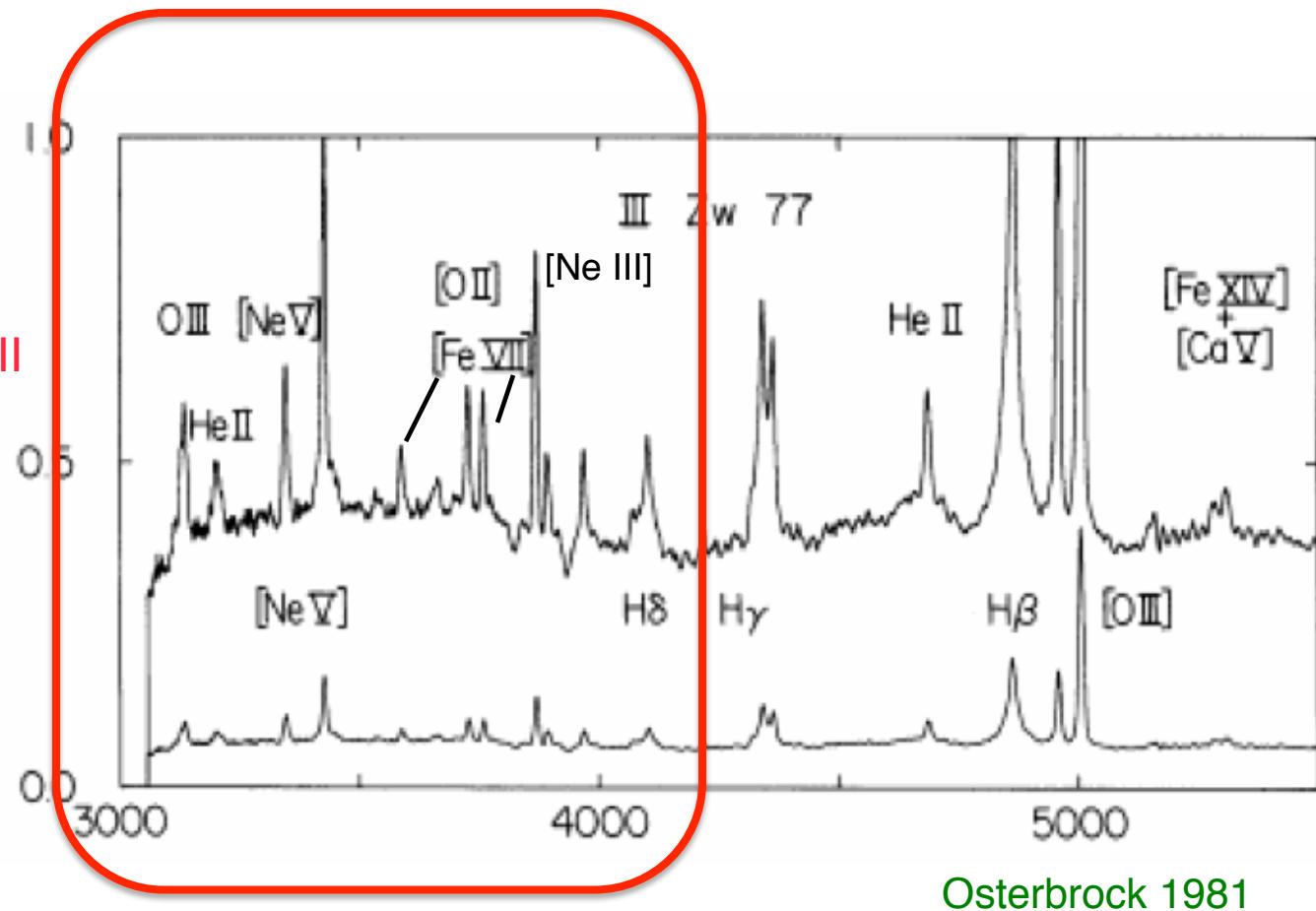
First detection: NGC 4552 (Renzini+ 1995)

UV flare from tidal disruption of
a He-rich stellar core (Gezari+ 2012)



Potential UV flare diagnostic features in CUBES UV

High excitation (Ne III,
Ne V, Fe VII, He II);
Bowen fluorescence OIII



Osterbrock 1981

Prognostication?



Shifting Scientific Tides

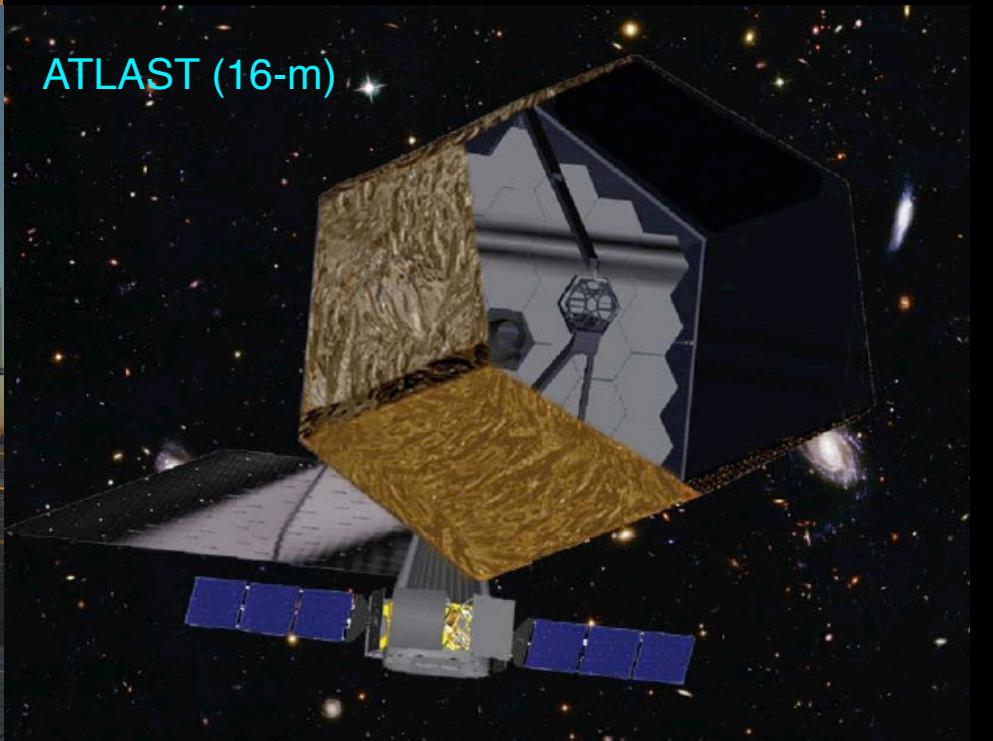
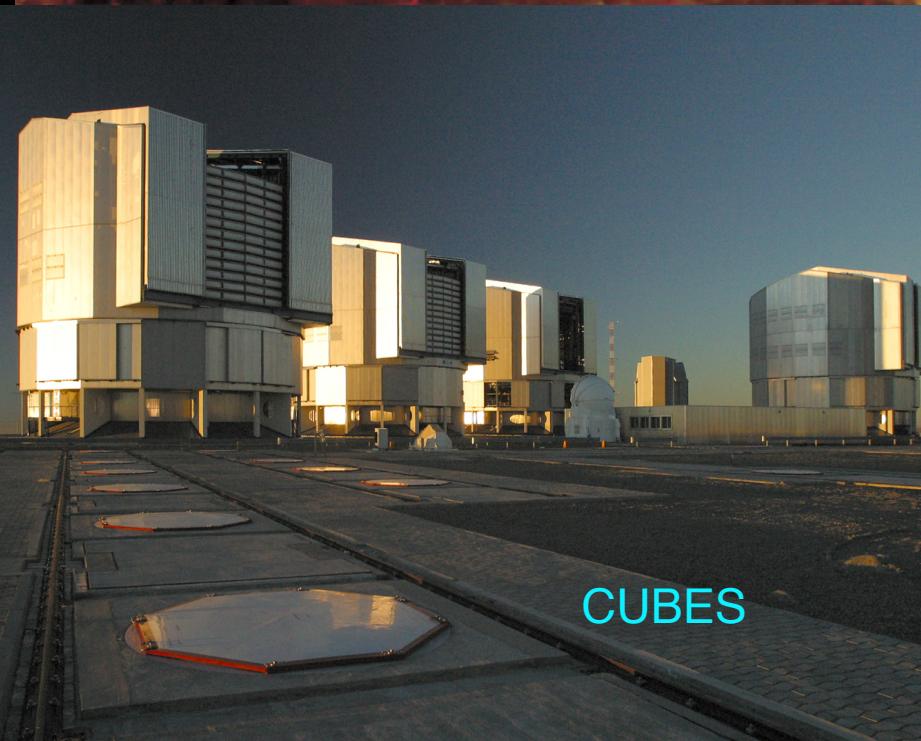
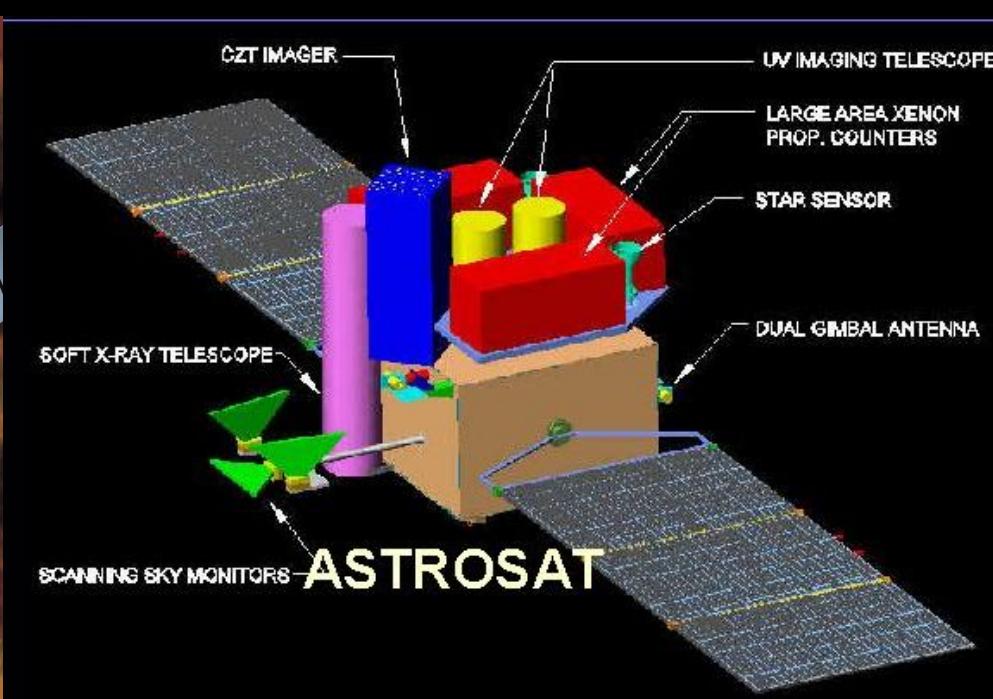
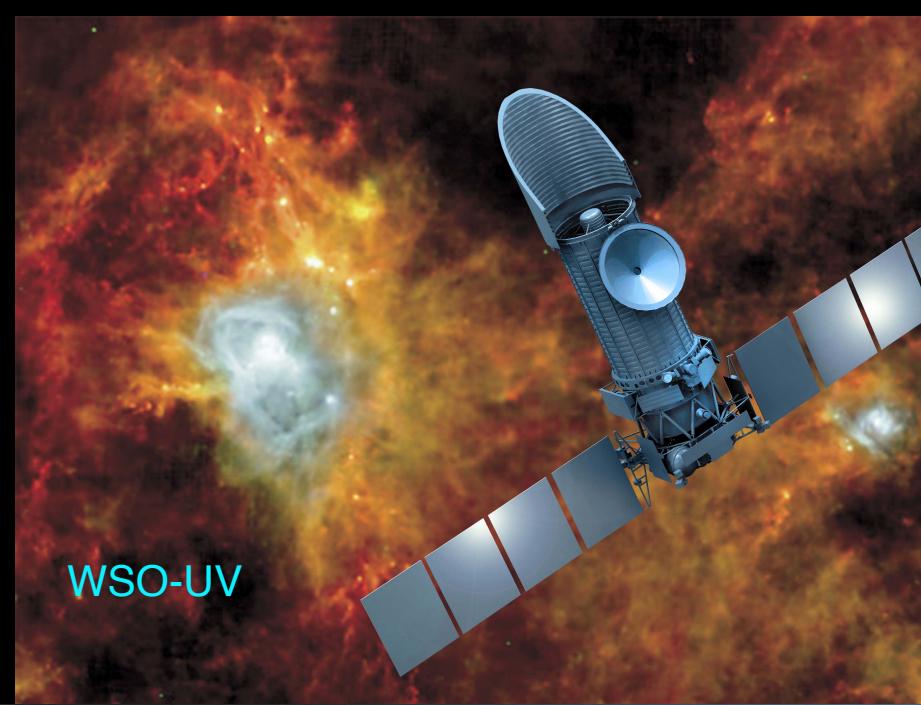
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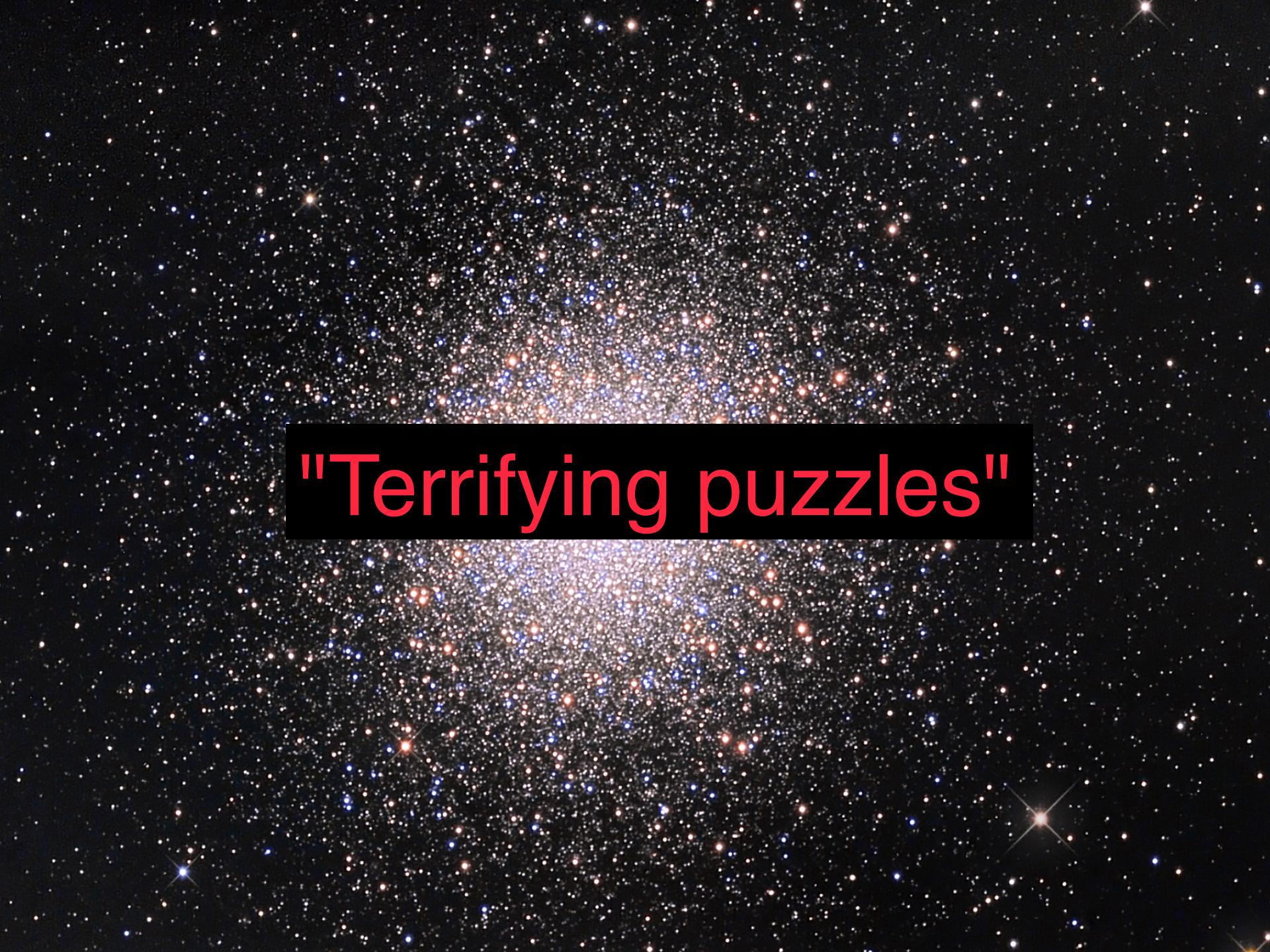
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Technical Priorities (not new!)

- Detector QE to > 80% 90-320 nm
- Successful flight tests/astronomy from candidate detectors.
- Single mirror coating with high performance 90-320 nm





The background of the image is a dark, star-filled space, likely a cluster of stars or a galaxy. A prominent, dense cluster of stars is centered in the frame, appearing as a bright, multi-colored group of points ranging from blue to orange. The surrounding space is filled with smaller, fainter stars.

"Terrifying puzzles"

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