

A futuristic space scene featuring a bright, glowing light source in the center, creating a lens flare effect. To the left, a crescent moon is visible against a dark background. In the background, a dense field of stars and a galaxy are visible. On the right side, a large, blue-tinted planet, possibly Earth, is partially visible, showing some surface details. The overall color palette is dominated by blues and blacks, with a bright white and yellow light source.

Can There Be Life in Outer Space?

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**TO BOLDLY GO WHERE NO MAN HAS
GONE BEFORE**



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WELL, I THINK WE SHOULD AT LEAST SAY, "HI". WHAT'S THE WORST THAT COULD HAPPEN?





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"WE COME TO THIS PLANET IN SEARCH OF A
MOVIE DEAL -- LIKE 'E.T.'"













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WE WERE FLYING
TOO LOW!

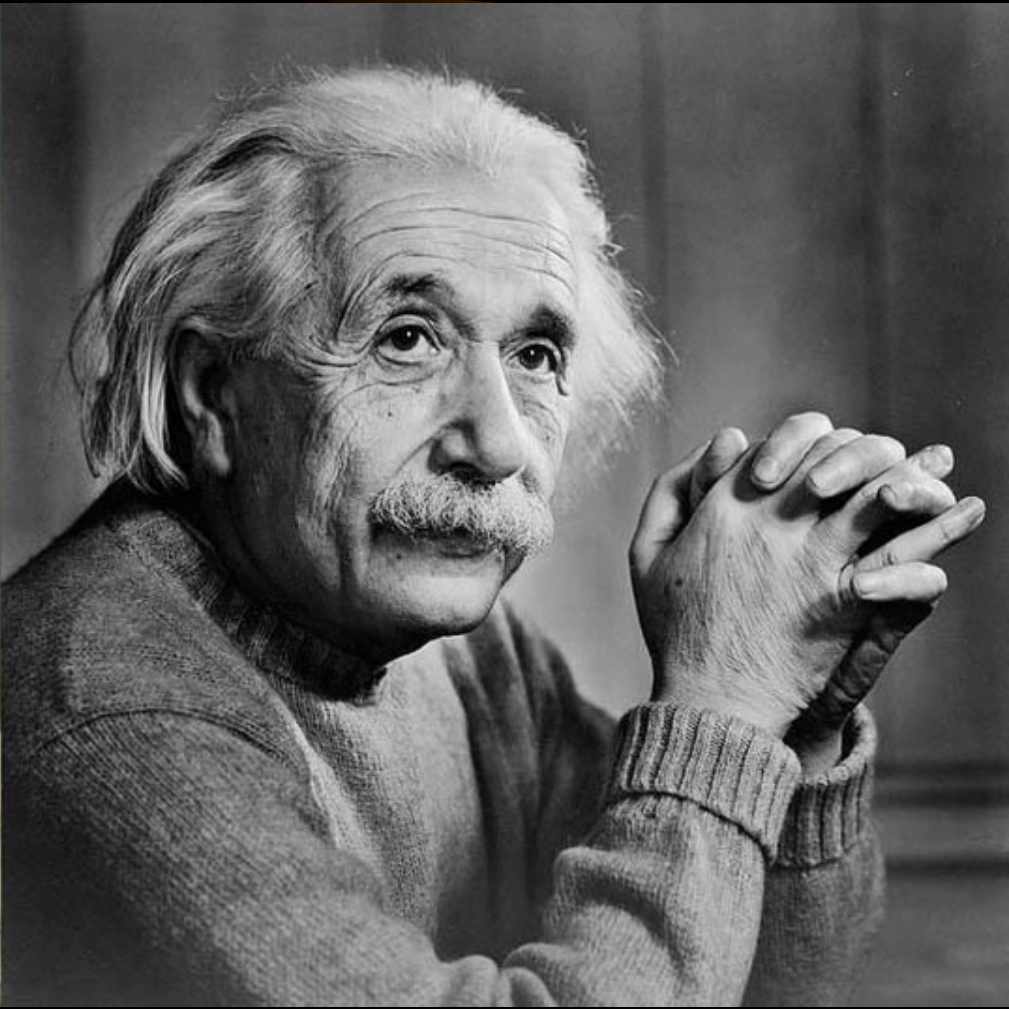


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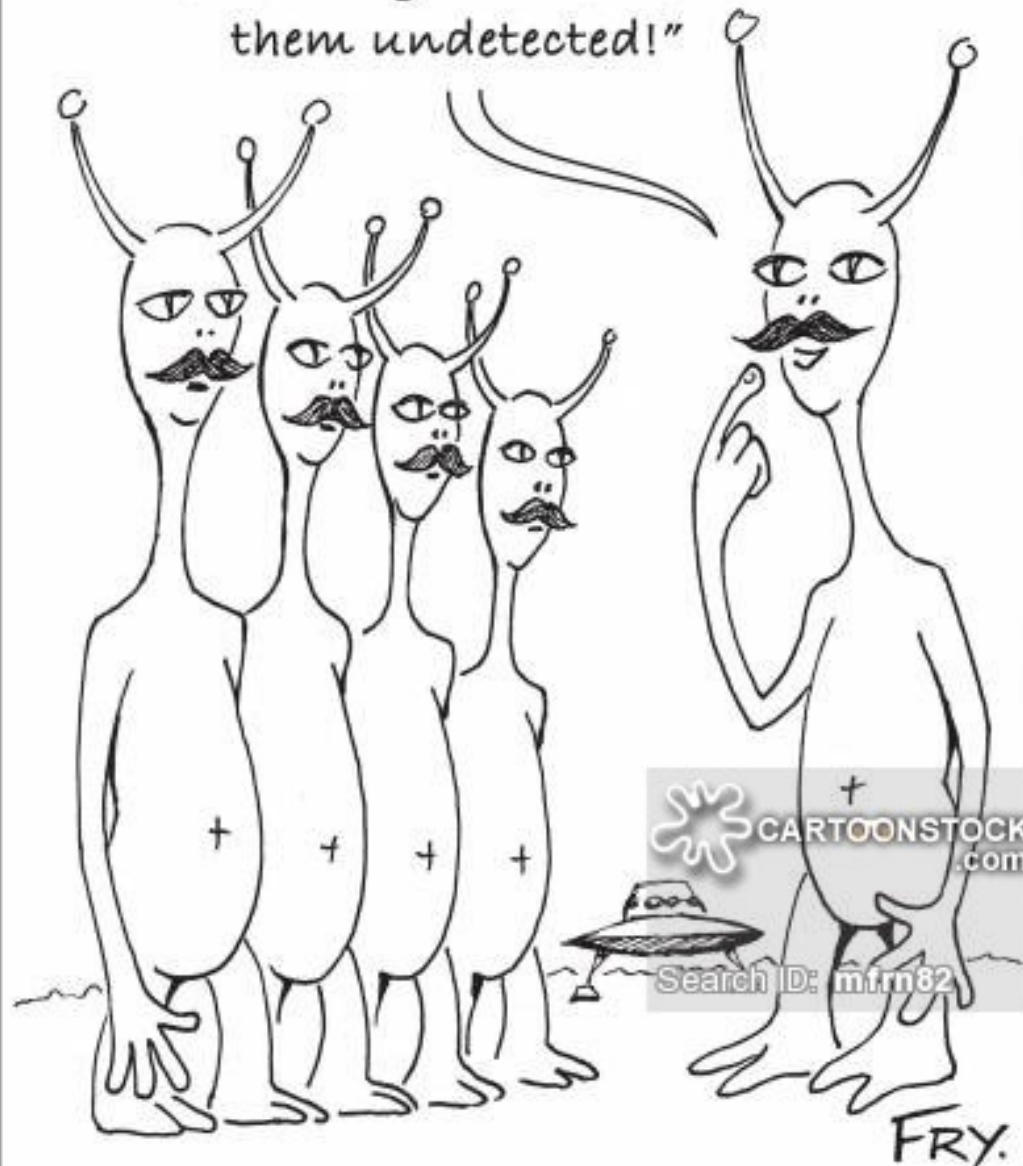








"With these clever disguises we'll be able to move freely among the earthlings and observe them undetected!"









**Just the facts, mam.
Just the facts.**





The Facts
Just Ahead



WHO

WHAT

WHERE

WHEN

WHY

HOW


QUESTIONS

ANSWERS



ALIENS

FACT OR FICTION?

A large satellite dish antenna is shown against a blue sky with light clouds. The dish is a complex structure of metal mesh, supported by a central pole and a tripod-like base. The text is overlaid on the upper part of the dish.

THE SEARCH
FOR LIFE
IN OUTER SPACE



How Big is

Big?

Earth



Venus



Mars



Mercury



Pluto



Jupiter

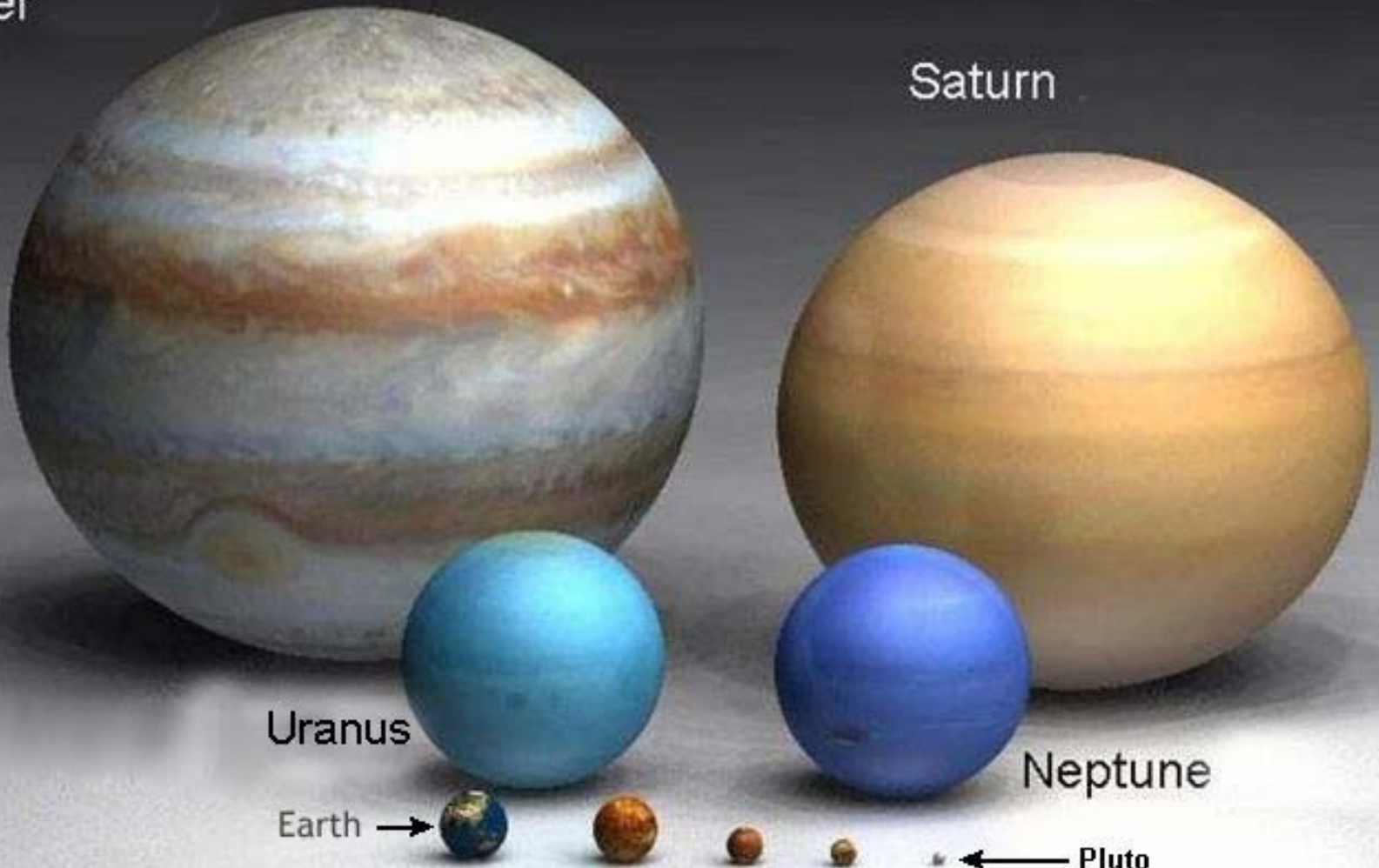
Saturn

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Neptune

Earth

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Sun

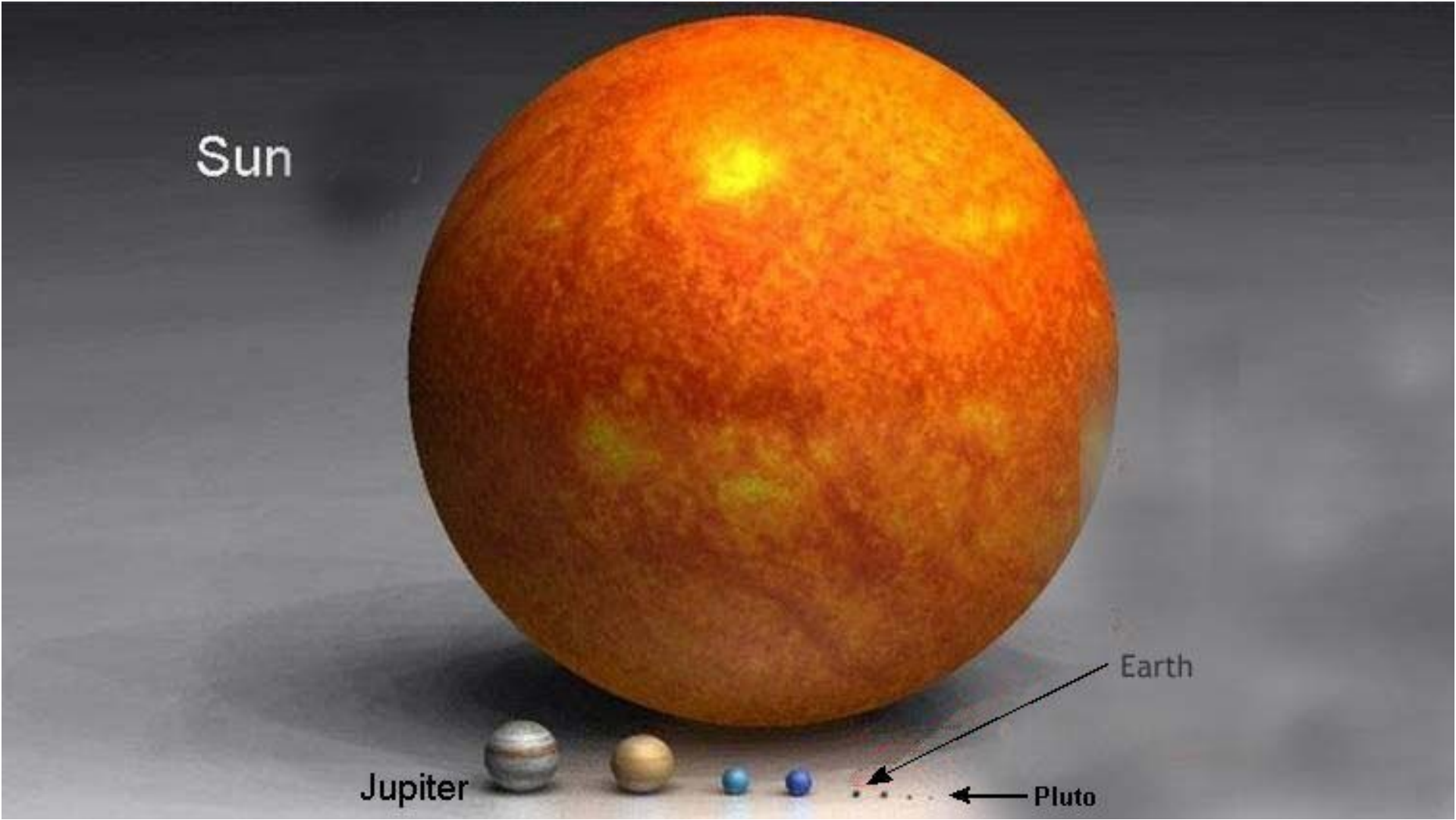


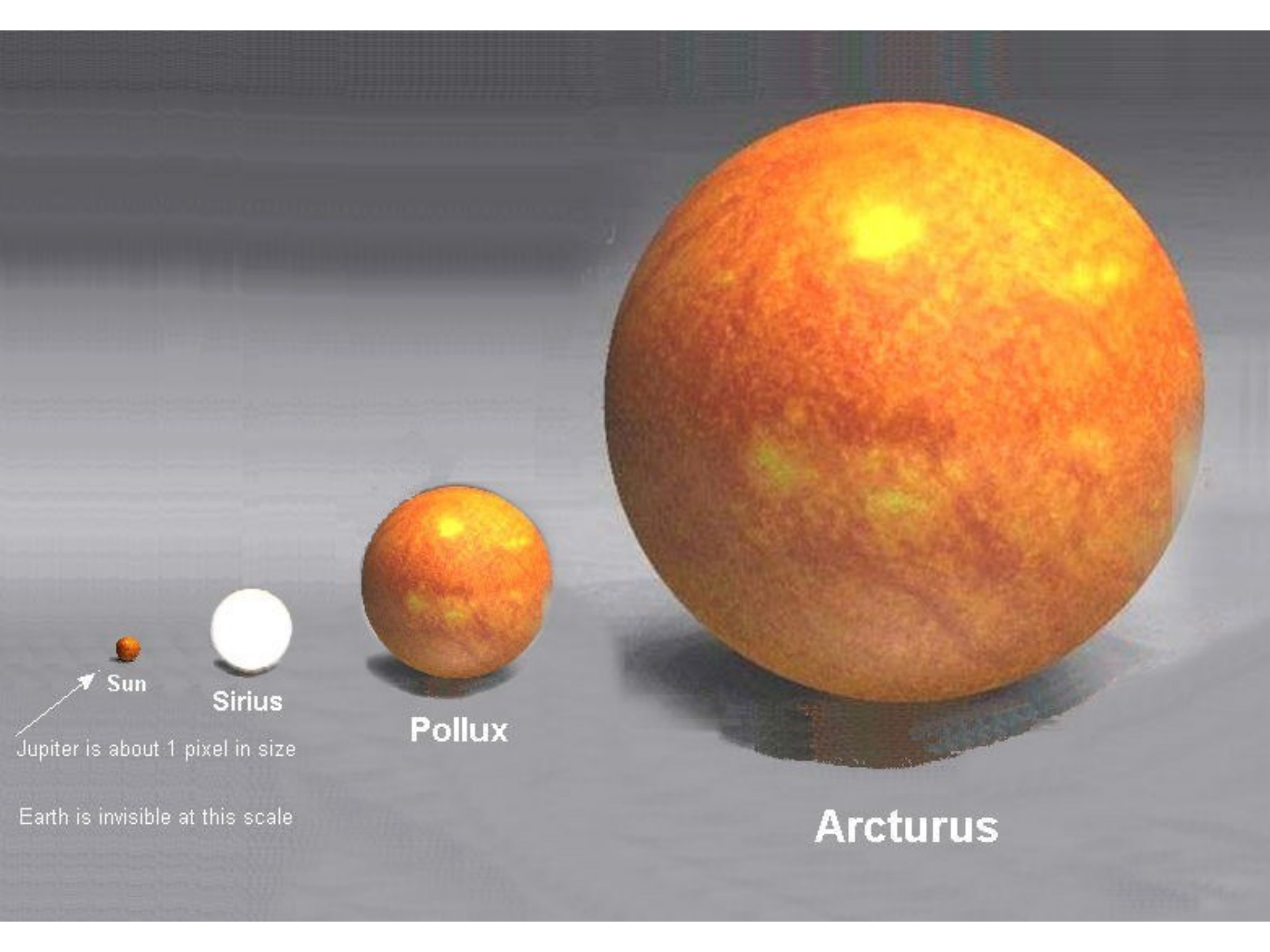
Jupiter



Earth

Pluto





Sun

Sirius

Pollux

Arcturus

Jupiter is about 1 pixel in size

Earth is invisible at this scale



Betelgeuse



Antares



Rigel



Aldebaran

Sun (1 pixel)



Sirius



Pollux



Arcturus



Jupiter is invisible at this scale

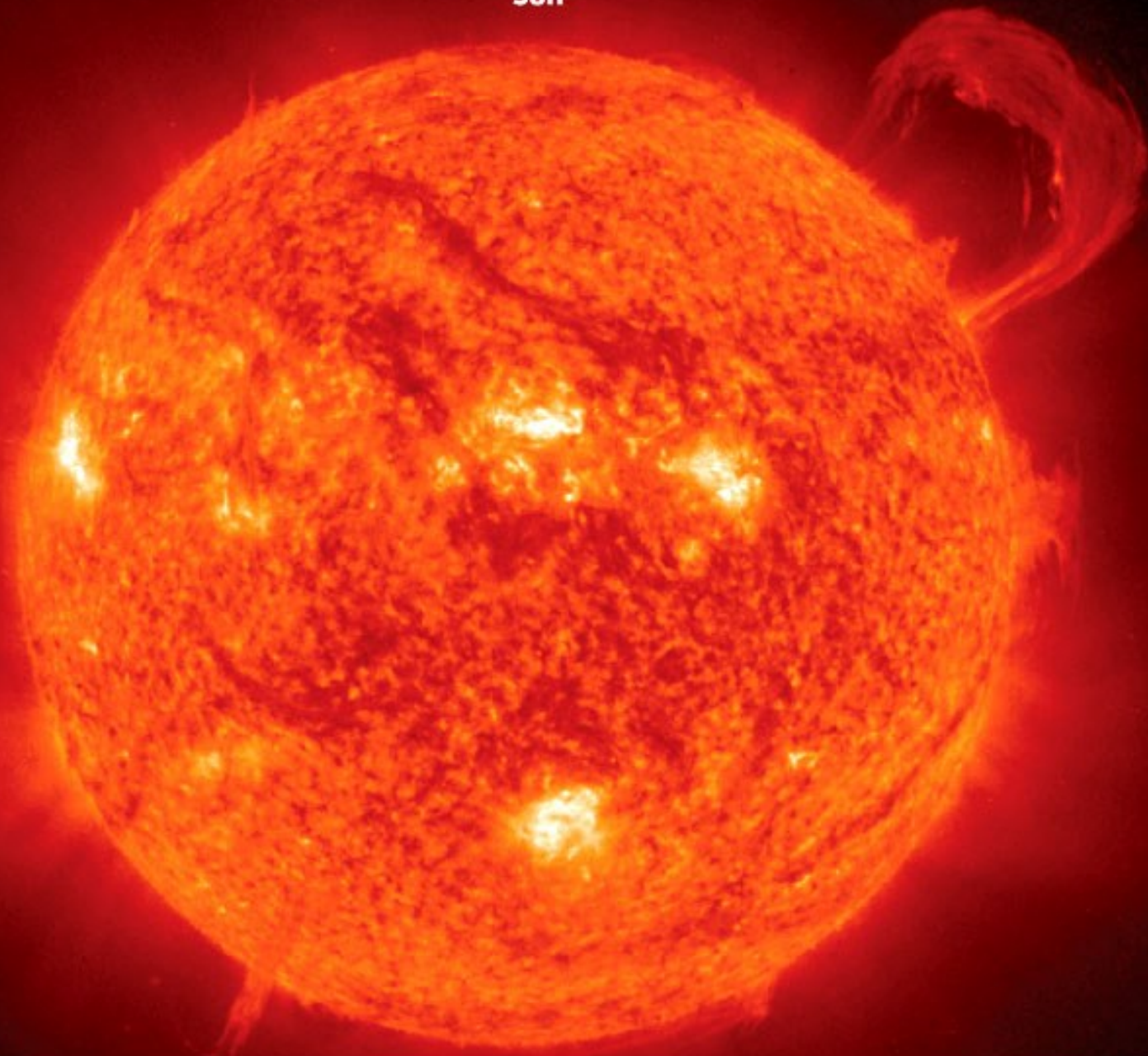


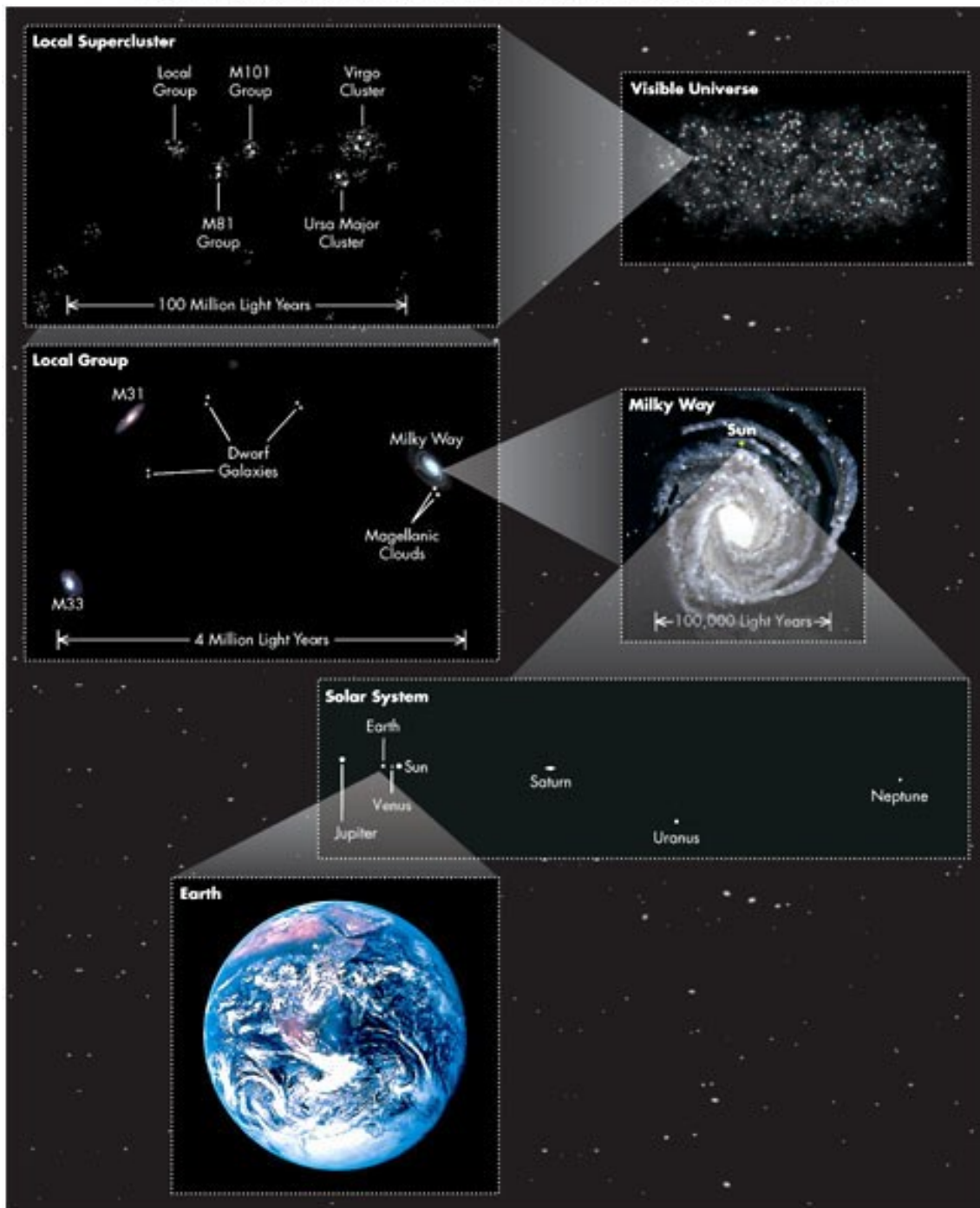
Jupiter

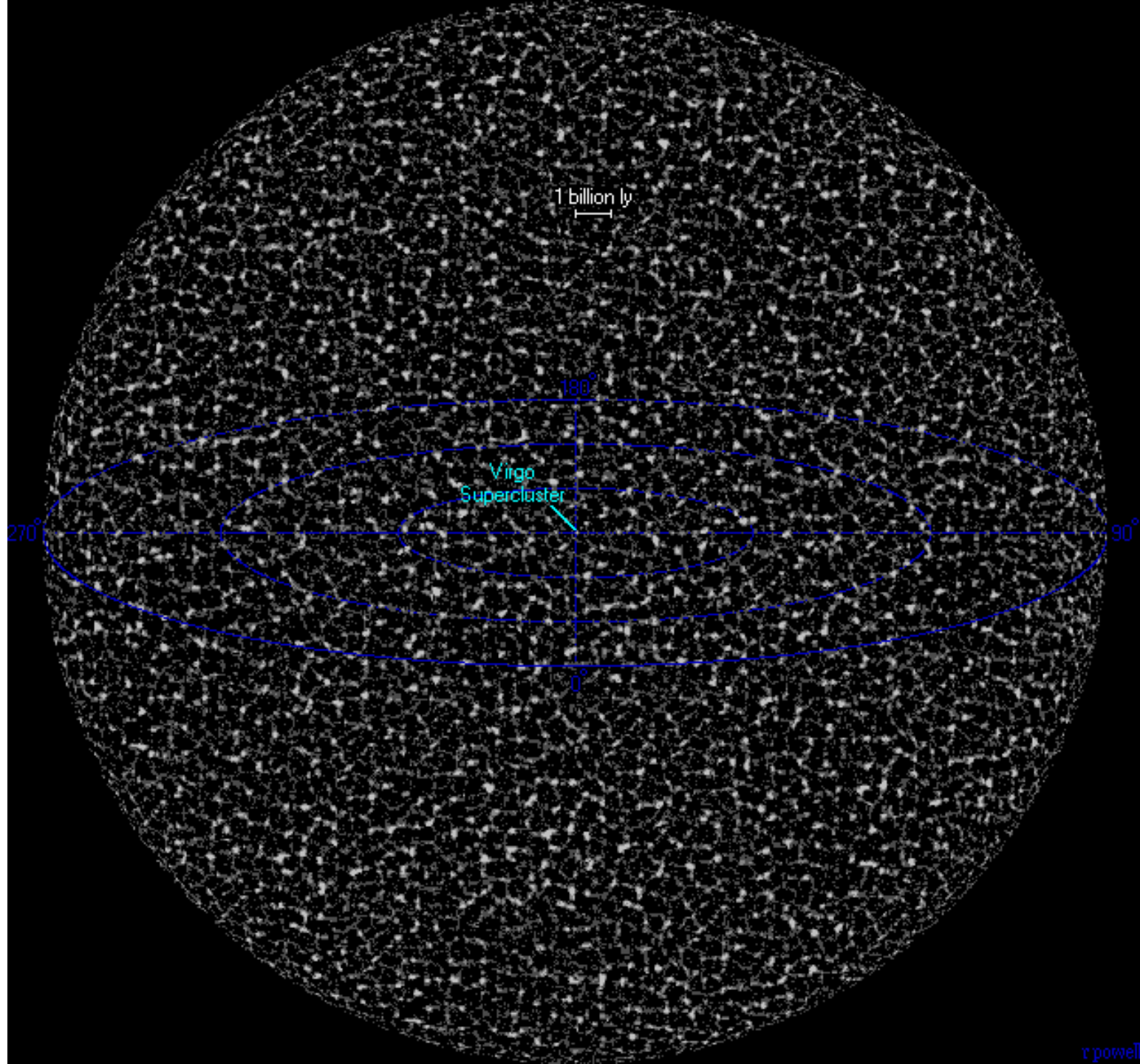


Earth

Sun









How Many is a

LOT?





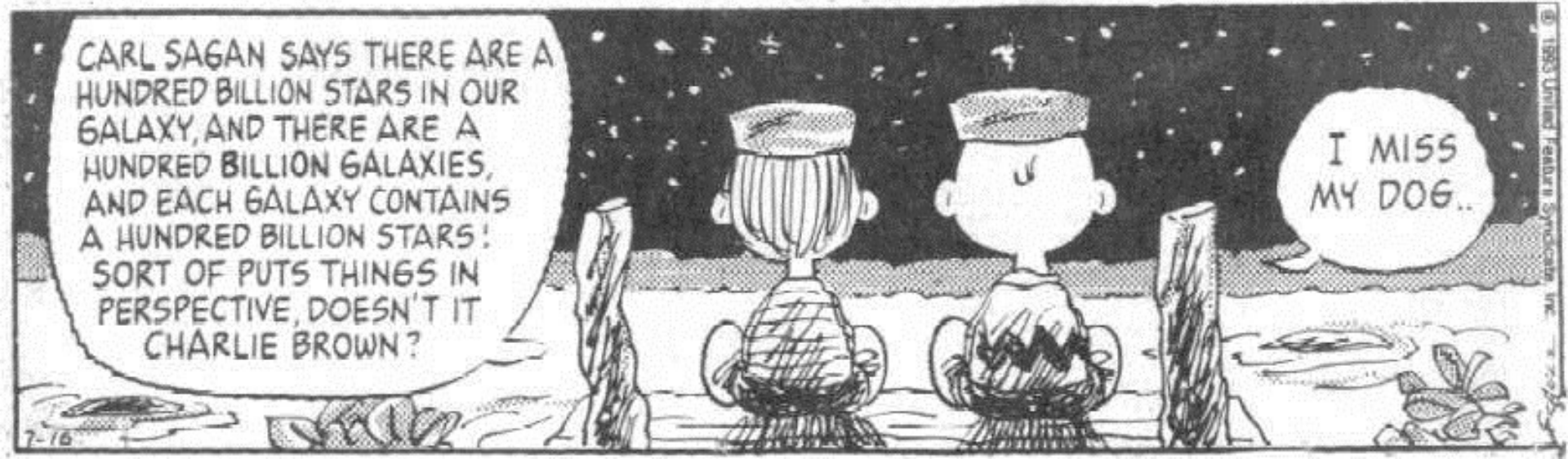
Carl Sagan as a kid

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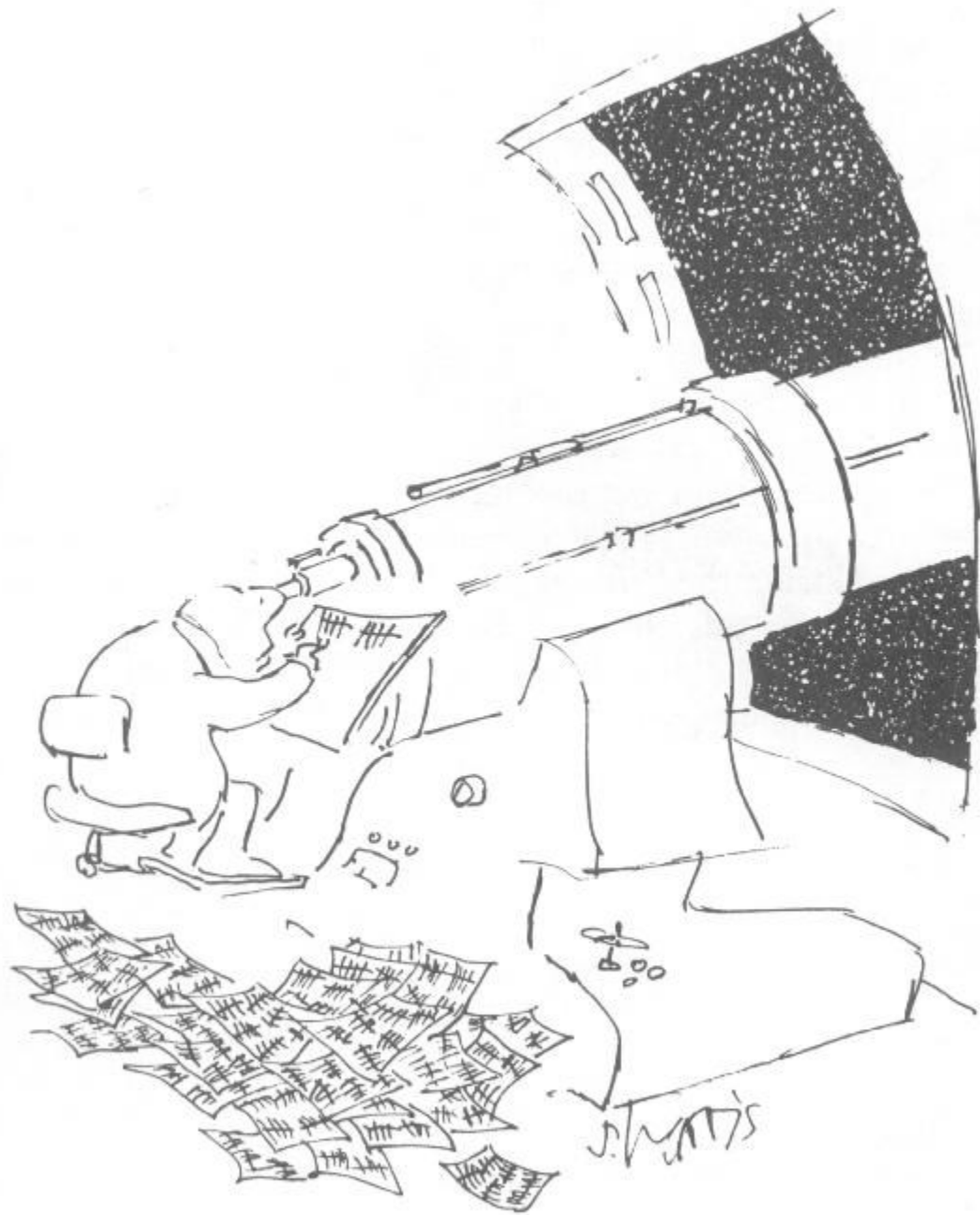
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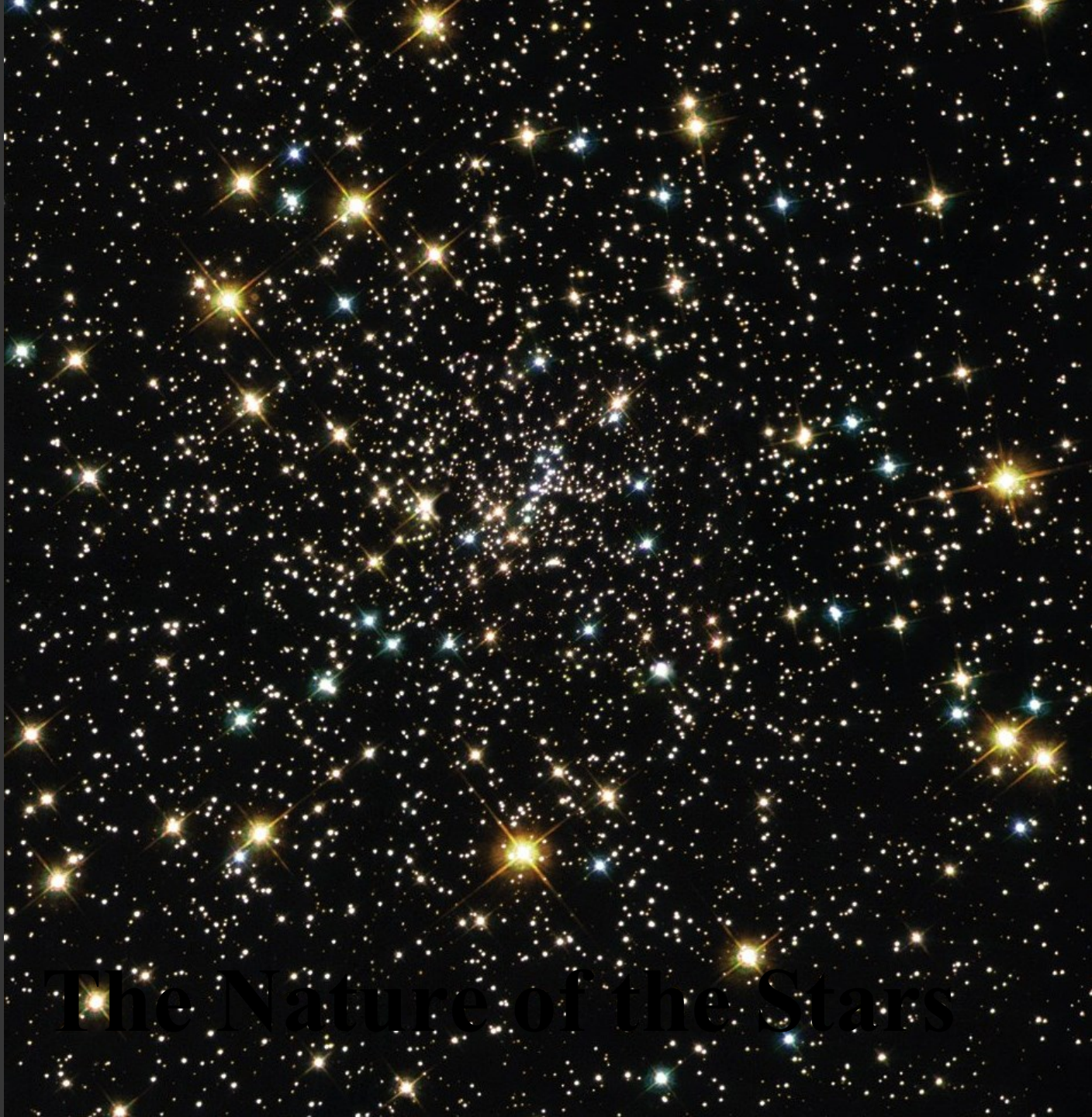
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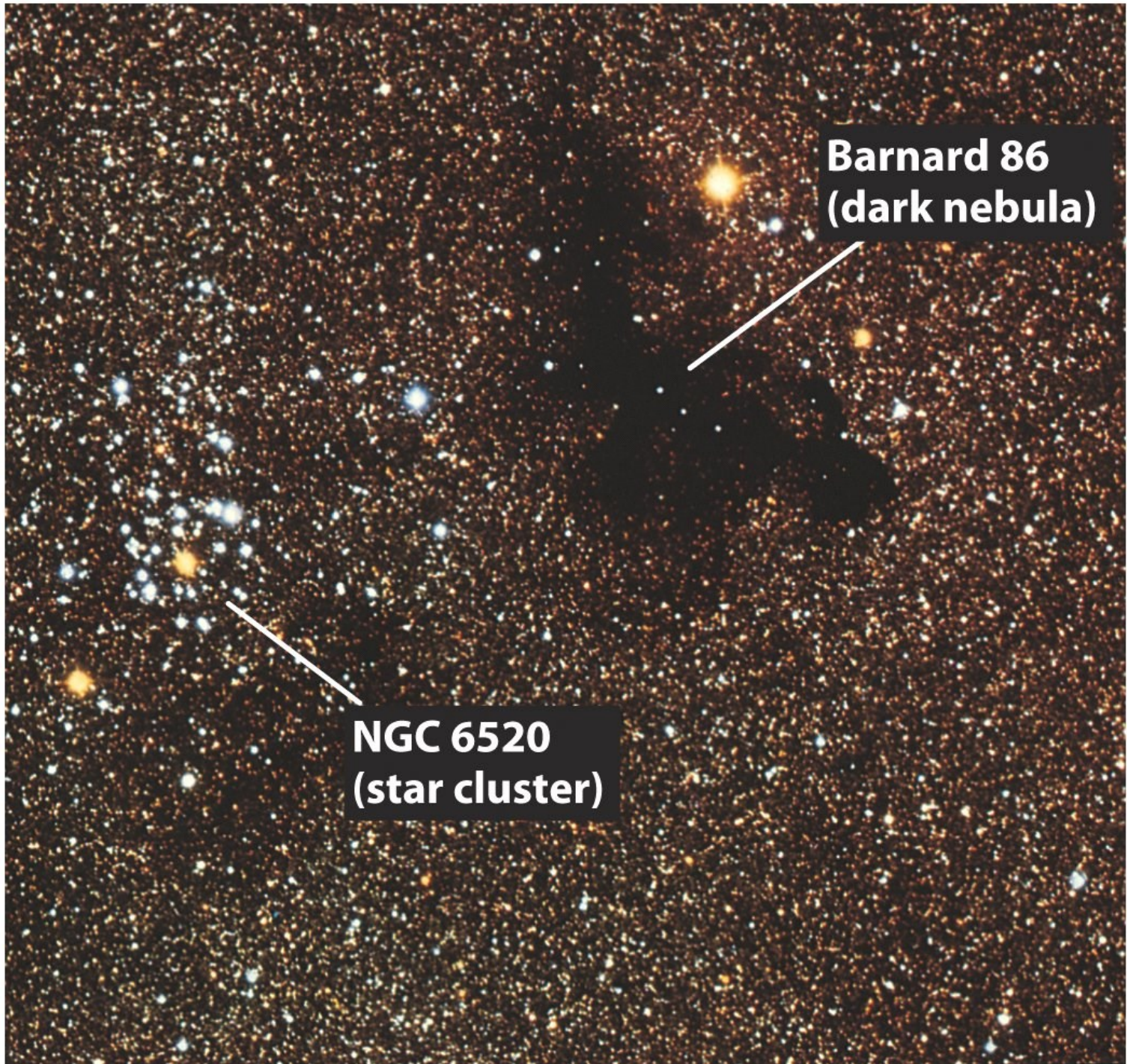
CARL SAGAN SAYS THERE ARE A HUNDRED BILLION STARS IN OUR GALAXY, AND THERE ARE A HUNDRED BILLION GALAXIES, AND EACH GALAXY CONTAINS A HUNDRED BILLION STARS! SORT OF PUTS THINGS IN PERSPECTIVE, DOESN'T IT CHARLIE BROWN?

I MISS MY DOG..



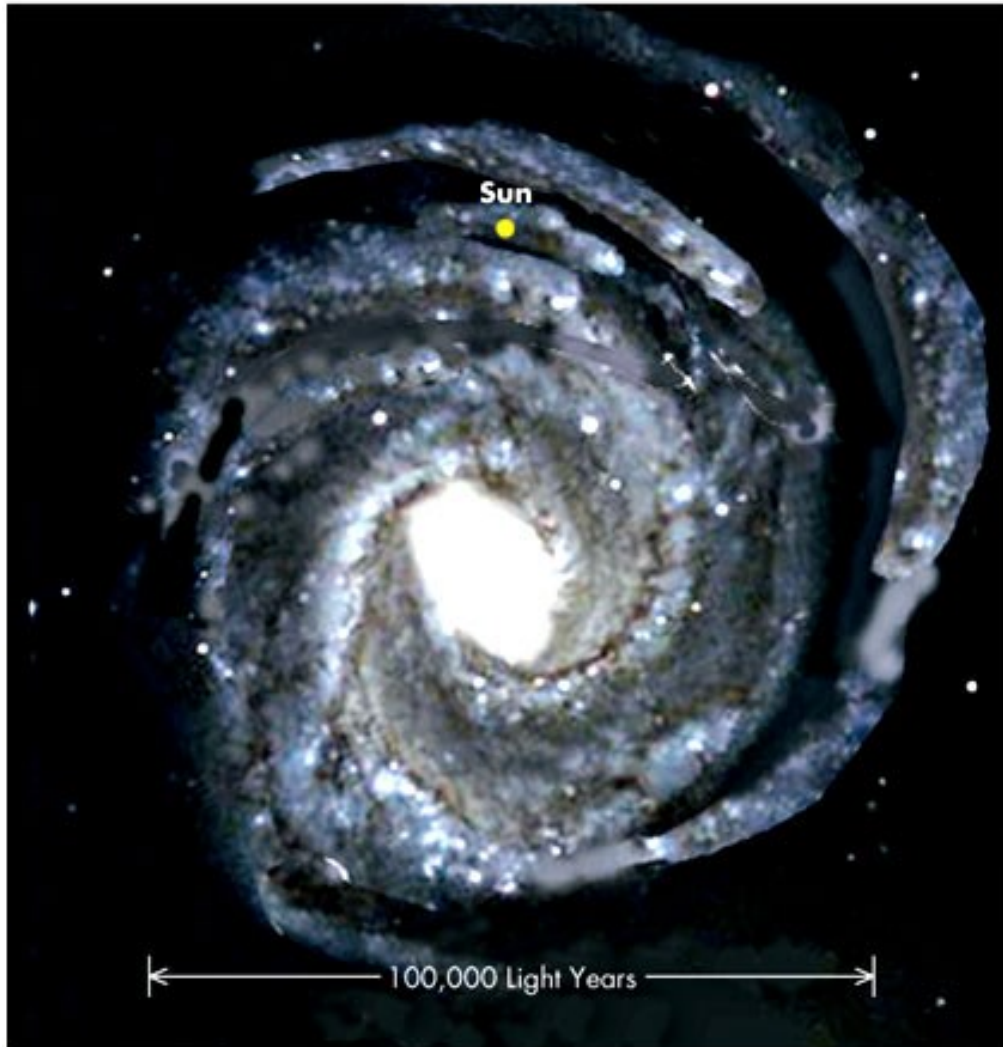


The Nature of the Stars



**Barnard 86
(dark nebula)**

**NGC 6520
(star cluster)**



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"You're 'only' ten minutes late? — do you realize how far the Universe has *expanded* in those ten minutes?"



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SOVIET FIRES EARTH SATELLITE INTO SPACE; IT IS CIRCLING THE GLOBE AT 18,000 M. P. H.; SPHERE TRACKED IN 4 CROSSINGS OVER U. S.

HUFFA IS ELECTED TEAMSTERS' HEAD; WARNS OF BATTLE

Debate Two Days 3 to 1
—Days from Will Fight
With Every Game

Two of the 100,000 votes
in protest on Page 4.

By G. M. HARRIS
Special to THE TIMES
ALBANY, N. Y., Oct. 3.—The
annual election of the
International Brotherhood of Teamsters
at Albany, N. Y., on the
past day.

The vote for a change of
from 2 to 3 days for the
election was 100,000 to
100,000. The vote for
the change to 3 days was
100,000 to 100,000.

Members of the
teamsters union in the
area said that the
election would be held
in Albany, N. Y., on
the past day.

In public talks
before, general concern
the possibility that the
election would be held
in Albany, N. Y., on
the past day.



IN ORDER OF TALKING: Steve Ball, acting head of the Teamsters Union, center; head of James H. Hoff, right; and the acting head of James H. Hoff, left.

FALIGUS COMPARES HIS STAND TO LEE'S

Signs He Will Remain Loyal
to People of Argentina

The Welfare in City 44% Rate Predicted; 300,000 People Out

By MICHAEL ROSEN
Special to THE TIMES

ARGENTINA TAKES EMERGENCY STEPS

State of Siege Proclaimed
in Buenos Aires Region

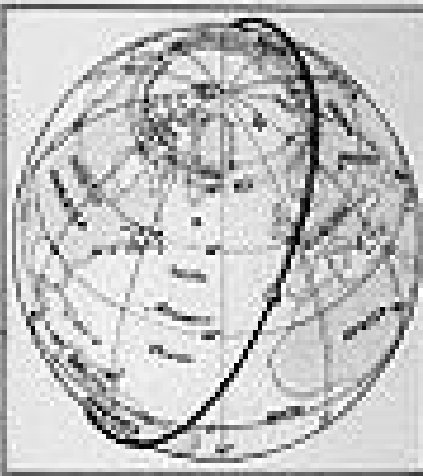
COURSE RECORDED

Now Picks Up Radio Signals—4 Report Sighting Device

By WALTER WELLS
Special to THE TIMES
WASHINGTON, Oct. 3.—The
United States Navy today
announced that it had
located the wreckage of
the Soviet satellite satellite
over the United States.

The wreckage was found
near Washington. The
wreckage was located in
the North Atlantic Ocean.
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The approximate orbit of the Russian satellite satellite is shown in black line. The satellite of the earth will bring the United States under the orbit of the satellite satellite.

Device Is 8 Times Heavier Than One Planned by U.S.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3.—Scientists of the United States
today revealed progress here indicated tonight in their
that the Soviet Union had launched a satellite right above
the earth. The satellite was
heavier than the satellite
planned by the United States.

660 MILES HIGH

Visible With Simple Binoculars, Moscow Statement Says

Part of the experimental
satellite on Page 4.

The Russian satellite
satellite was at a height
of 660 miles above the earth.
The satellite was visible
with simple binoculars.

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SATELLITE SIGNAL
BROADCAST HERE





Sputnik
means
satellite in
Russian.
It was
shaped
like a
sphere
and had
four
radiating
radio
antennae.

It was
launched
on
October
4th,
1957.





—Dallas News-Staff Photo.

SIGNALS FROM THE SATELLITE

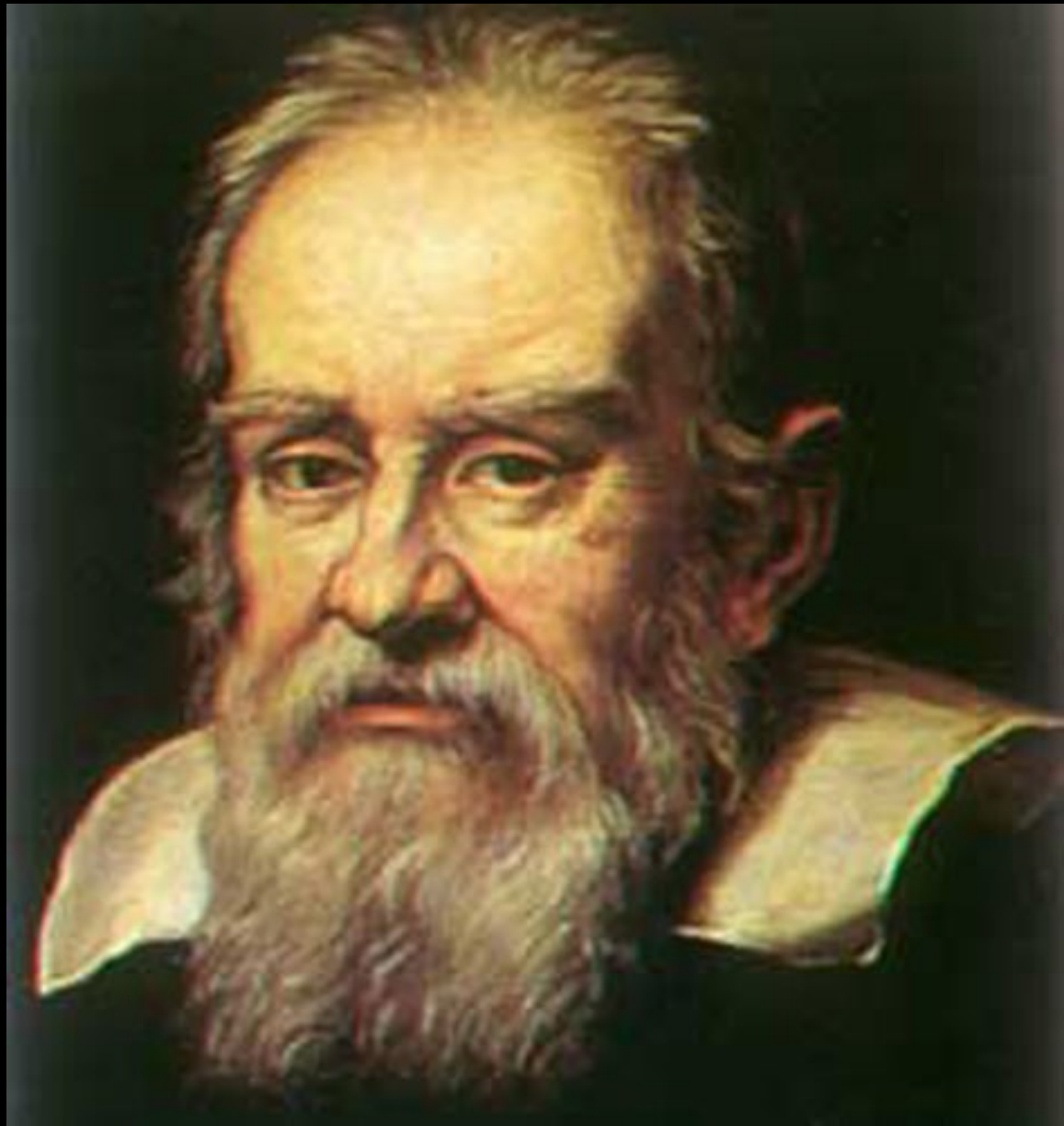
Ham operator Roy Welch of Dallas, seated, plays a tape-recorded signal from the Russian space satellite for fellow hams at the State Fair of Texas. Welch recorded the signals on a receiver at his home.













Our very precise clone of Galileo's telescope meets the 400 year old original at the IMSS museum in Florence Italy.



Our replica is being held up in front of the cabinet containing Galileo's original IMSS 2428 telescope for comparison. The telescopes are the same size. The original appears smaller because it is further away from the camera.

The comparison of the two telescopes shows how beautiful the original

instrument must have been and how faithfully we have been able to replicate it.

Made by Jim & Rhoda Morris 07-07-07

This is a replica of one of the earliest telescopes made by Galileo Galilei (1564-1642) after he learnt of the invention of the telescope in 1608. This refracting telescope magnifies only 14 times and gives a very restricted field of view. As a result Galileo was only able to view about a third of the Moon through his telescopes. However, despite these limitations, Galileo published 'Sidereus Nuncius' ('The Starry Messenger') in 1610, which describes the celestial sights he saw with his new telescope. These included craters on the Moon, the phases of Venus and the moons of Jupiter. This facsimile was made in 1923 at the Museo di Fisica e Storia Naturale, in Florence, Italy where the original still resides.





Edwin Powell Hubble
November 20, 1889 —
September 28, 1953

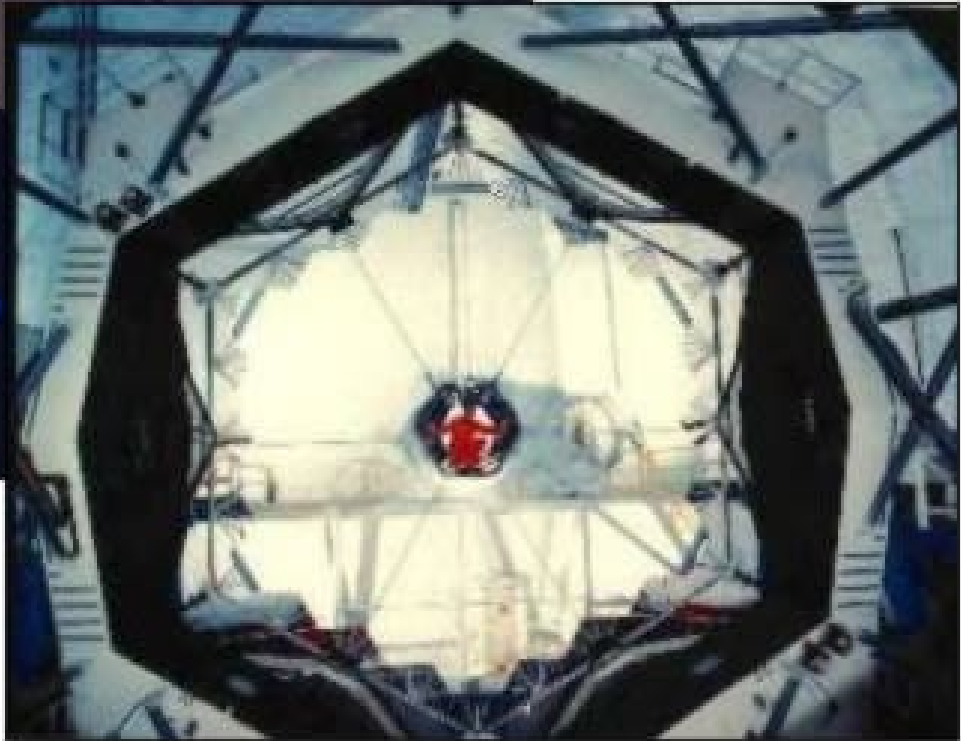


The 100-inch Hooker telescope at Mount Wilson Observatory that Hubble used to measure galaxy distances and a value for the rate of expansion of the universe.

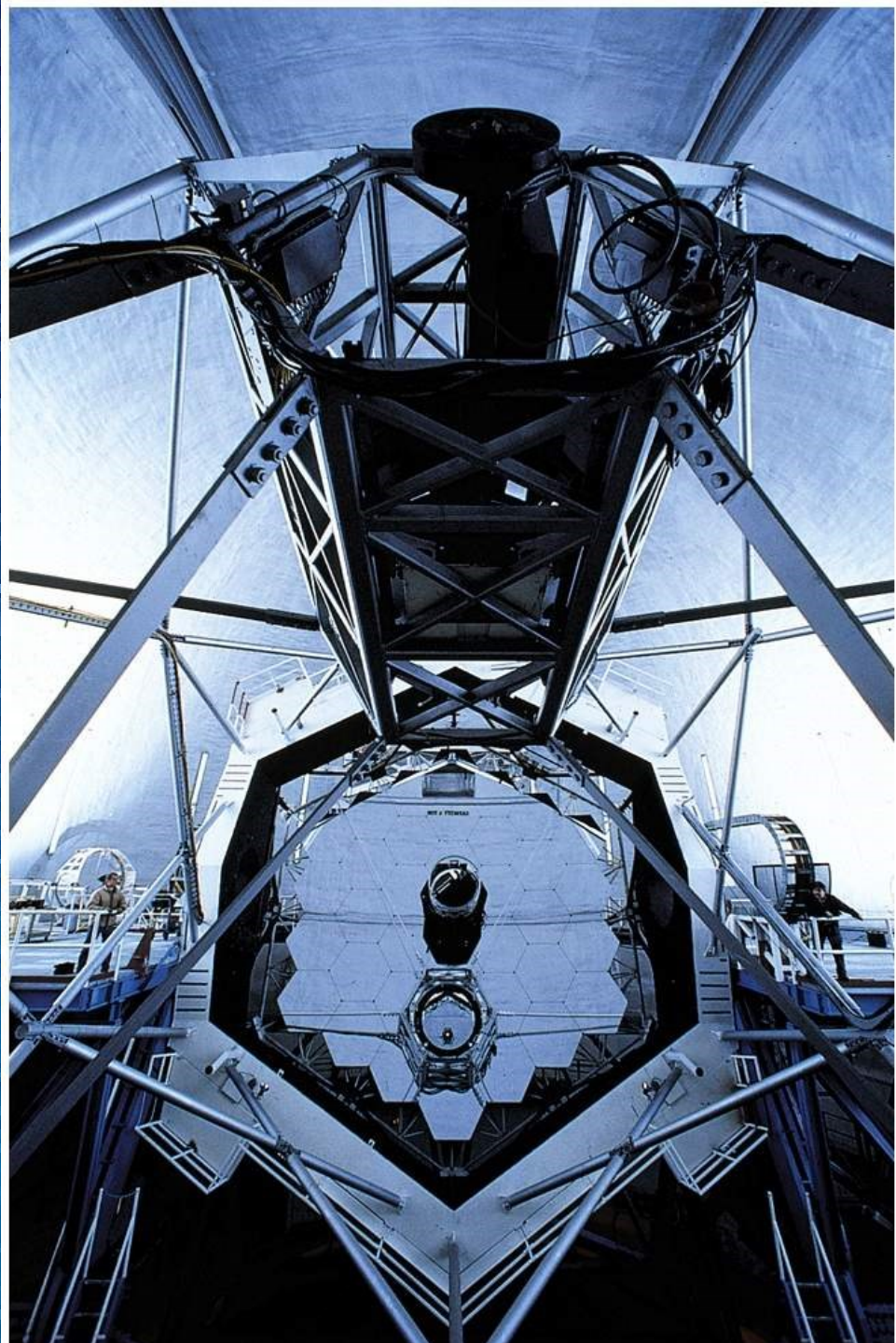


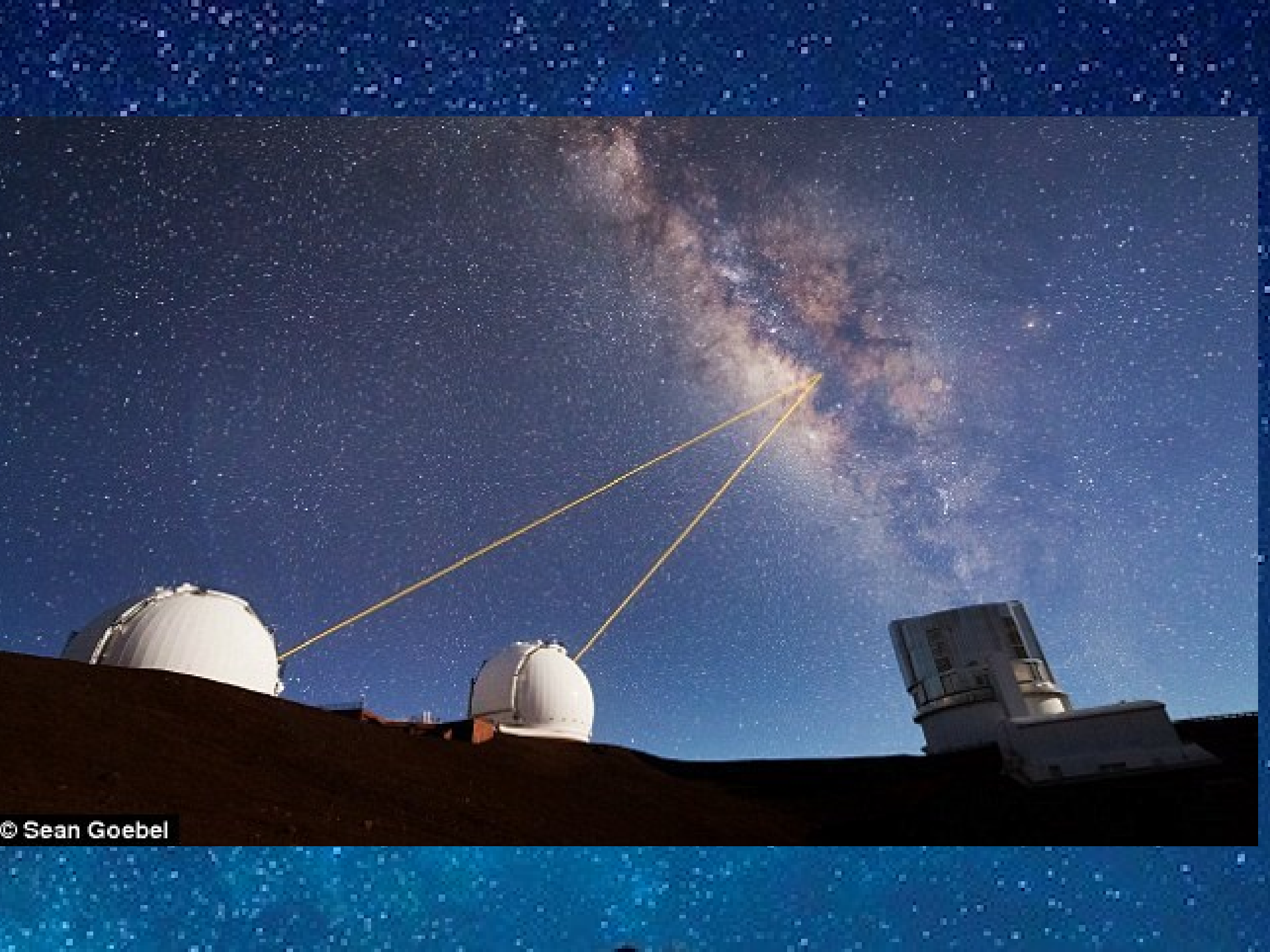


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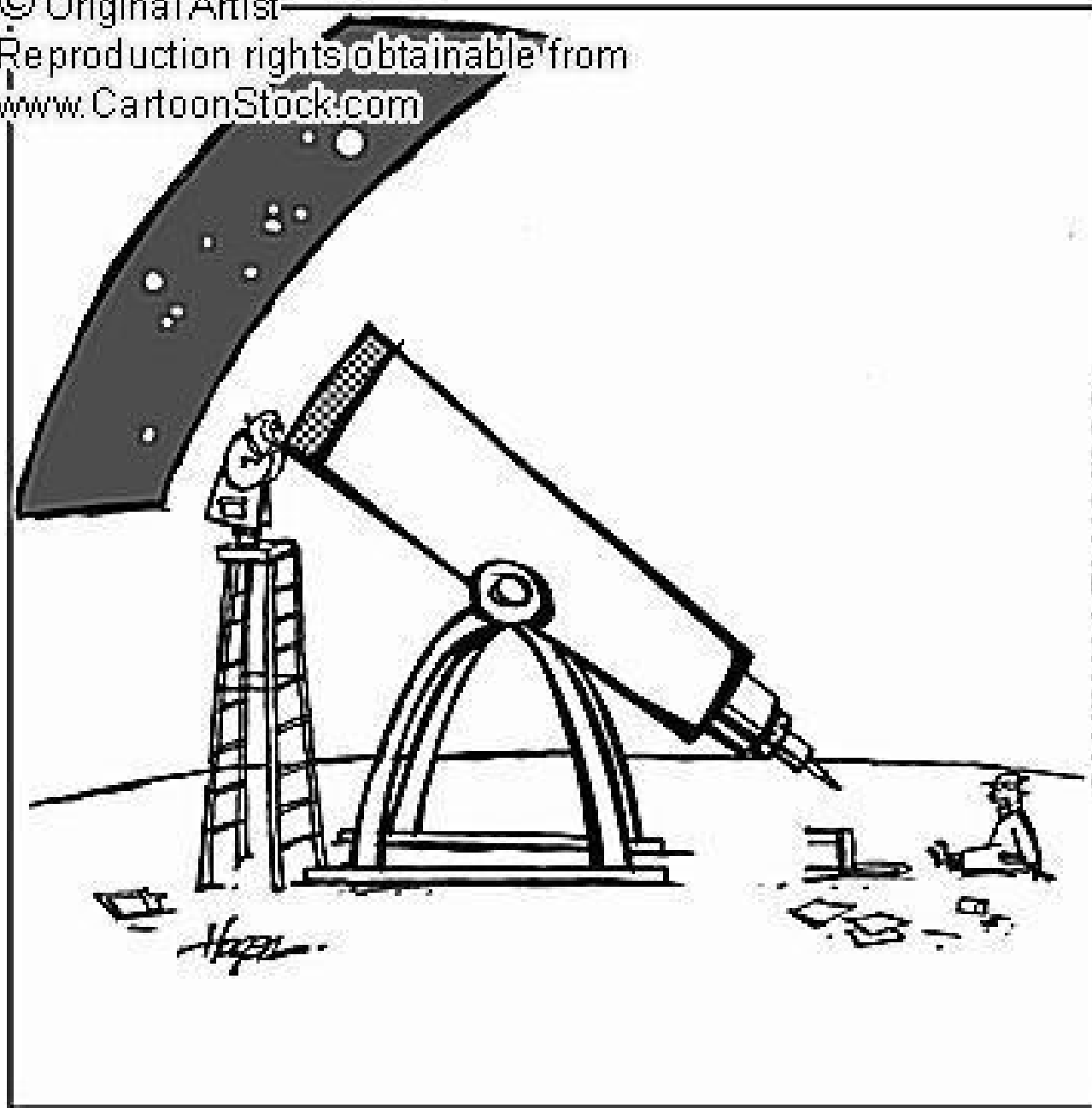
Close-up of primary mirror





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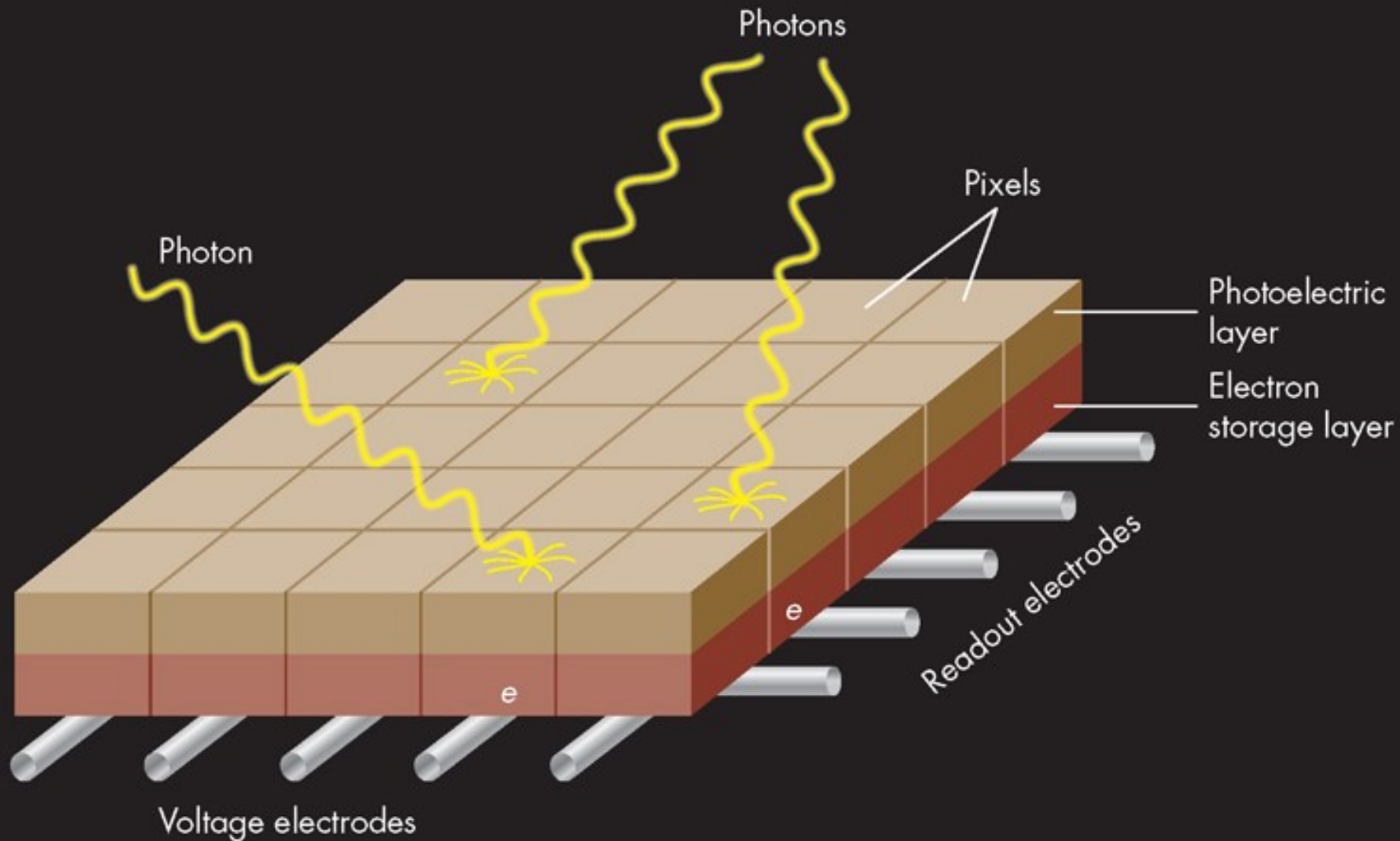
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ARE YOU TRYING TO GIVE ME A HEART ATTACK ???!

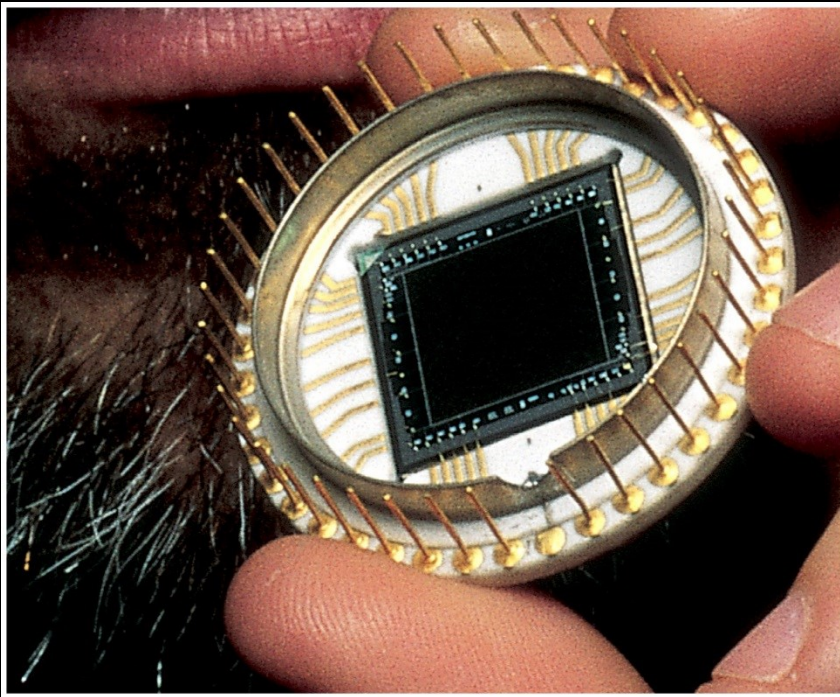




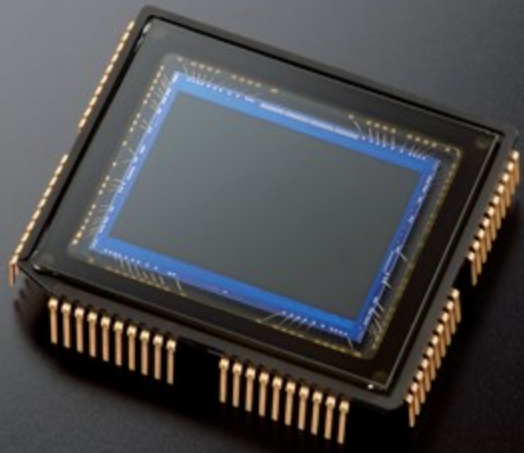
Annie Jump Cannon (1863-1941, American) was a member of the famous group of Harvard astronomers called 'Pickering's Women'. The director of the Harvard College Observatory, Edward Pickering, hired a number of women to sort through and organize mounds of data on the stellar classification of stars. The stars were classified by their spectra, and Annie Cannon was the most prolific and careful of the workers. She single-handedly classified 400,000 stars into the scheme we use today (O B A F G K M), and discovered 300 variable stars. She paved the way for women entering the astronomical field.

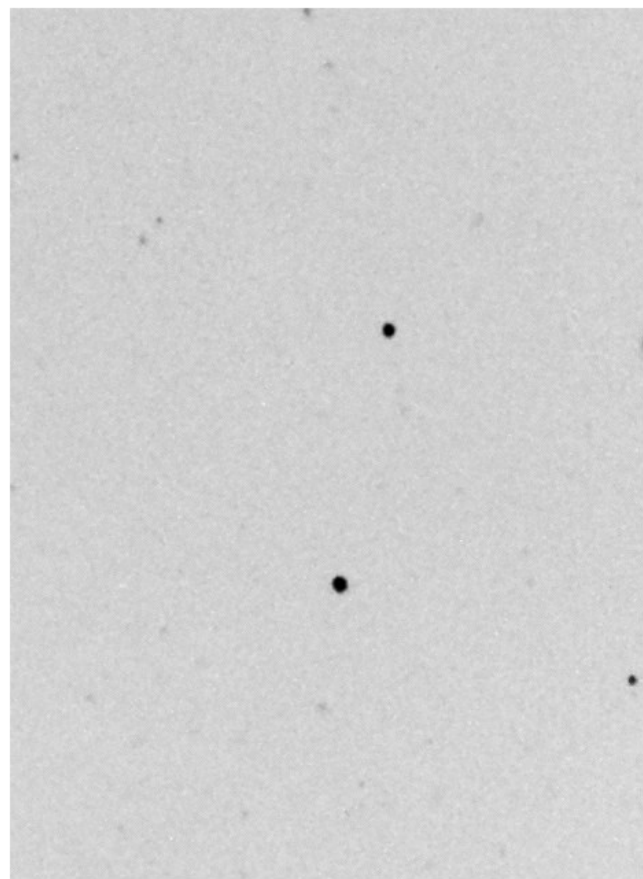


An electronic device is commonly used to record the image at a telescope's focus

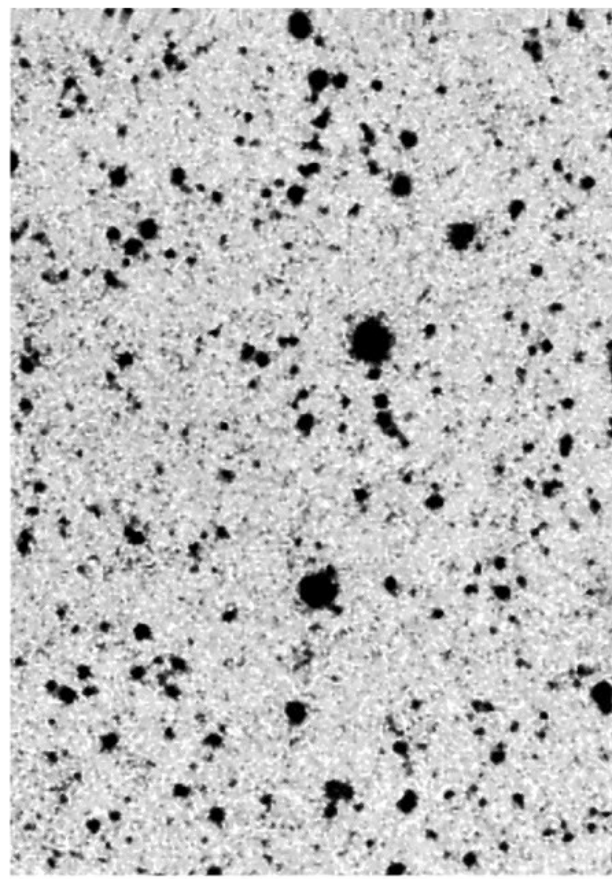


Sensitive light detectors called charge coupled devices (CCDs) are often used at a telescope's focus to record faint images





(a) Using photographic film



(b) Using a CCD

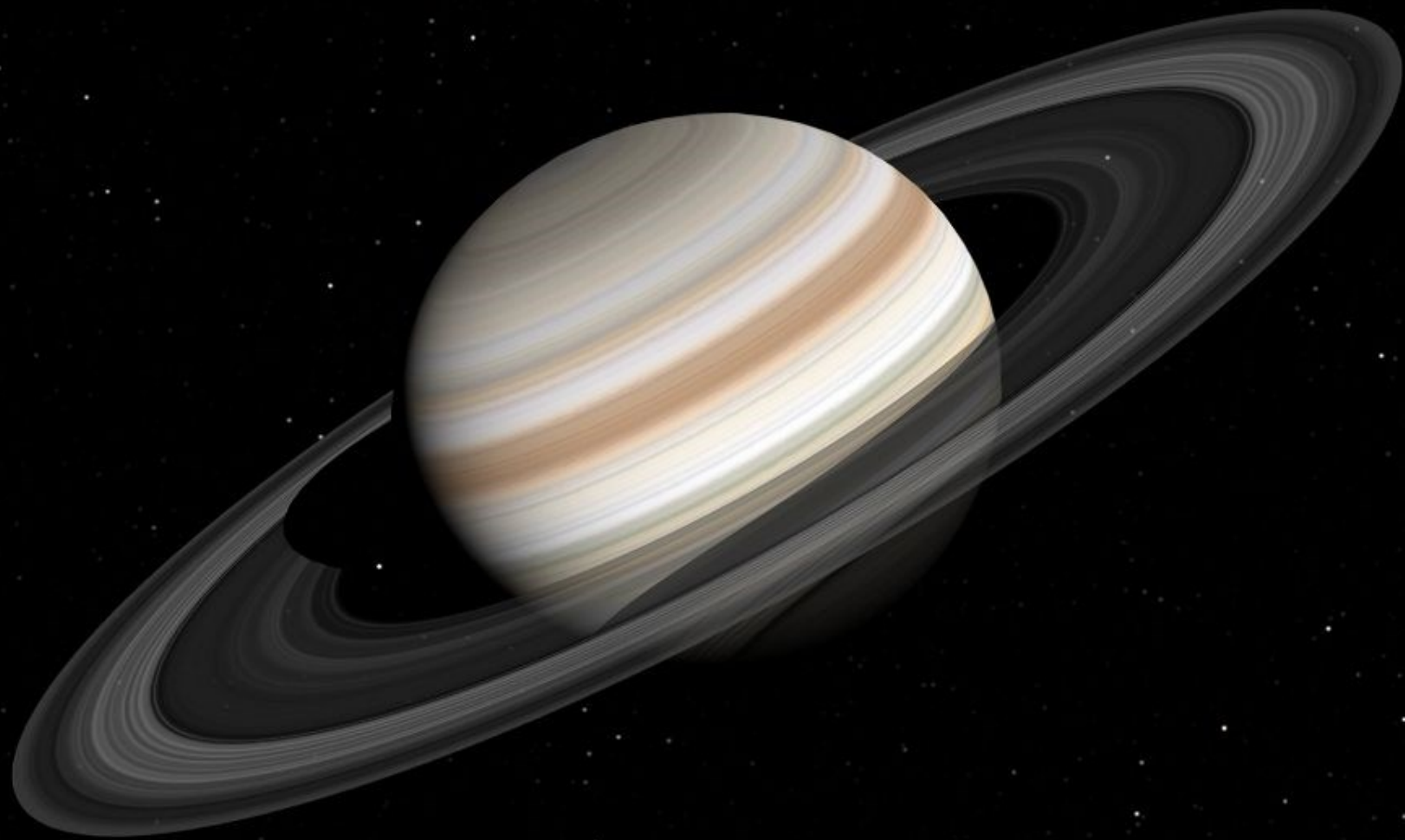


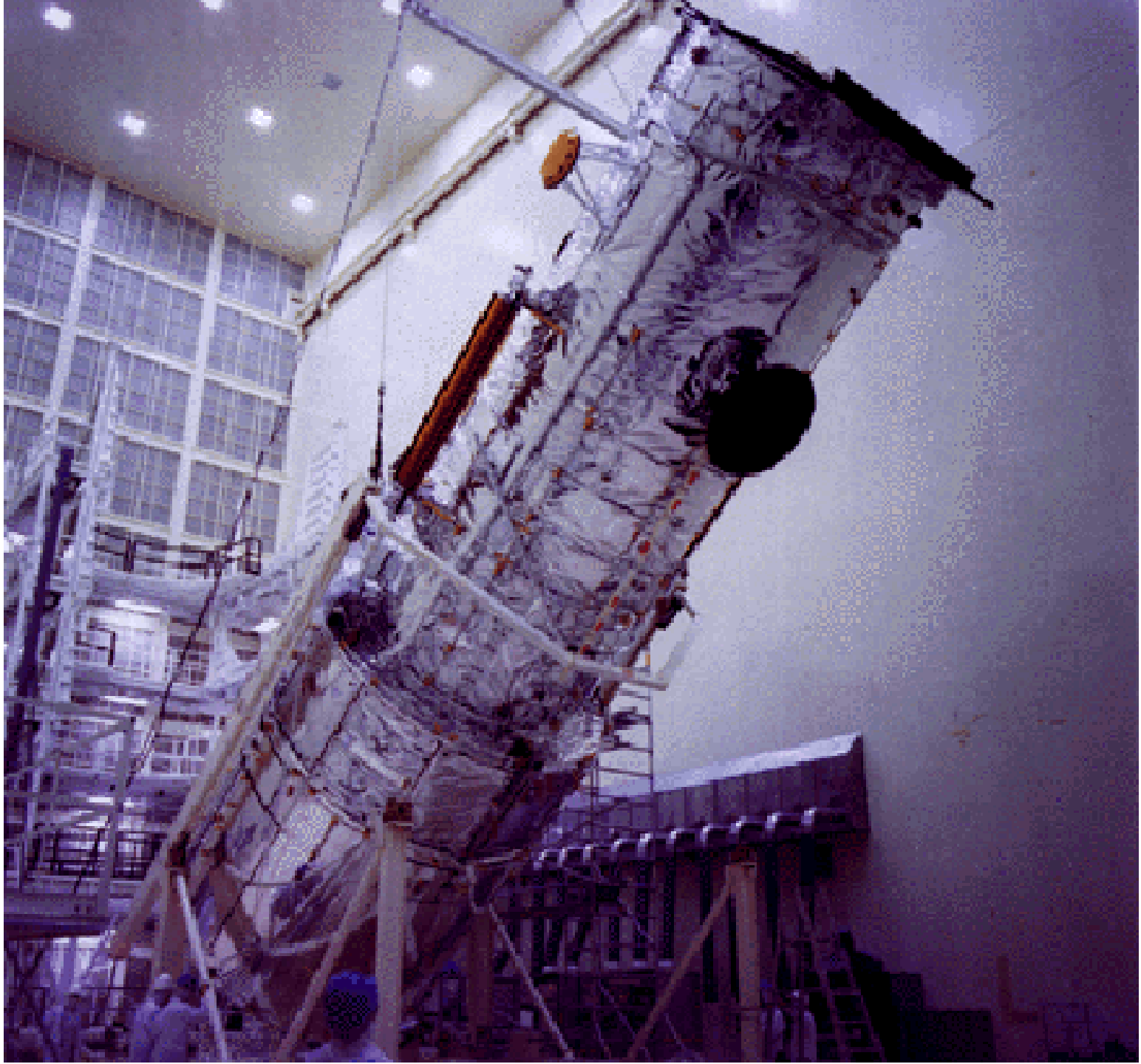
(c) Combined CCD image

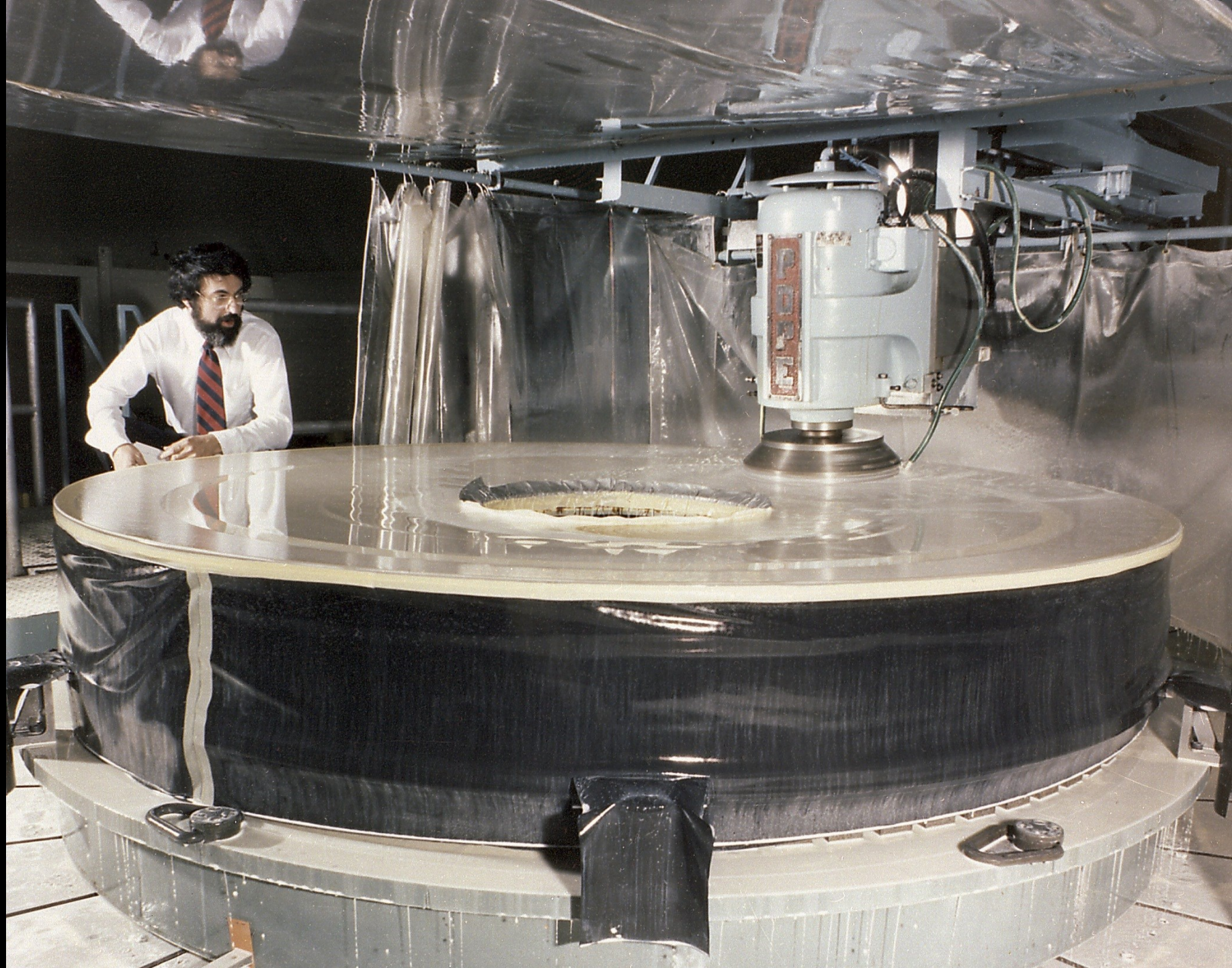


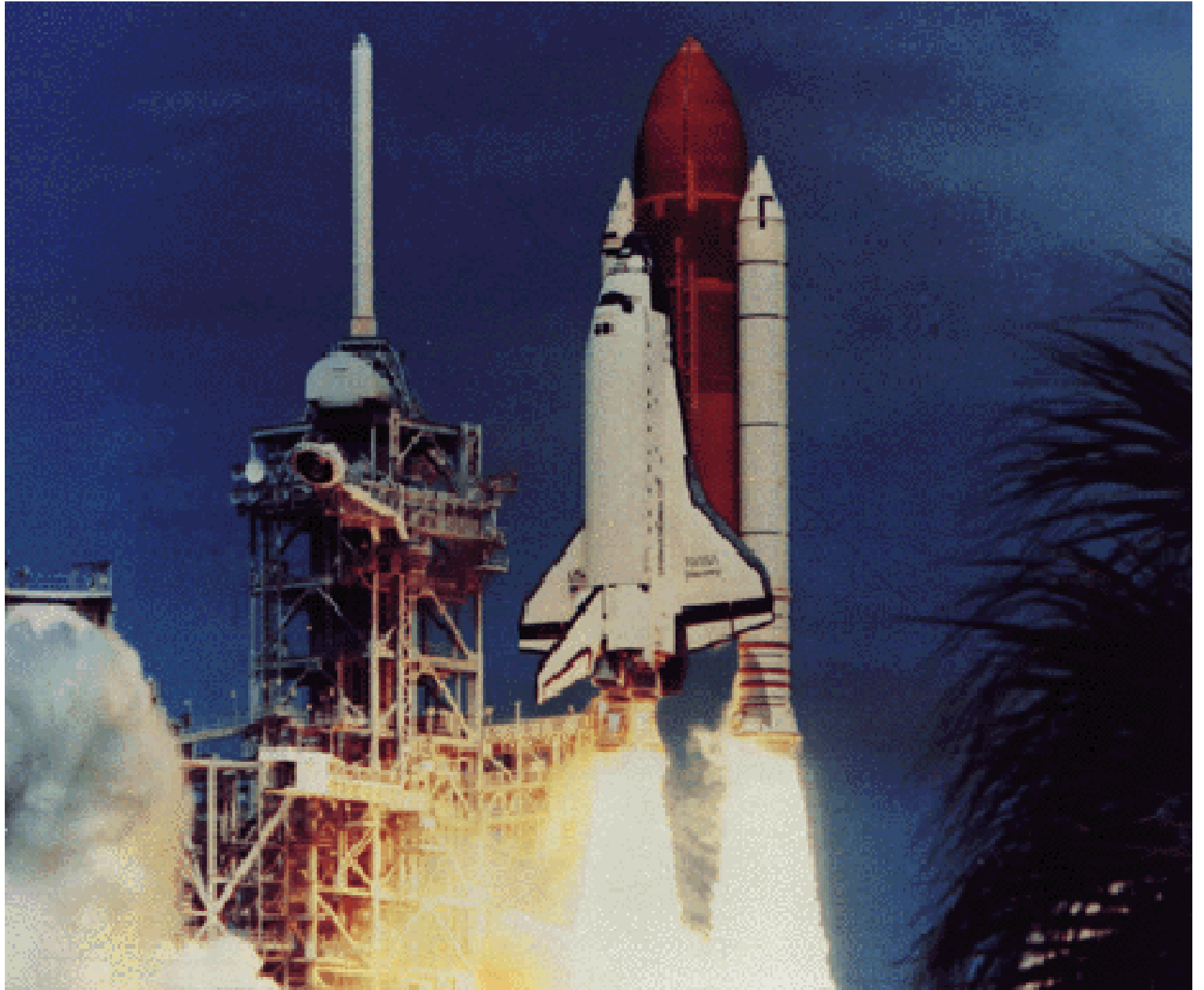
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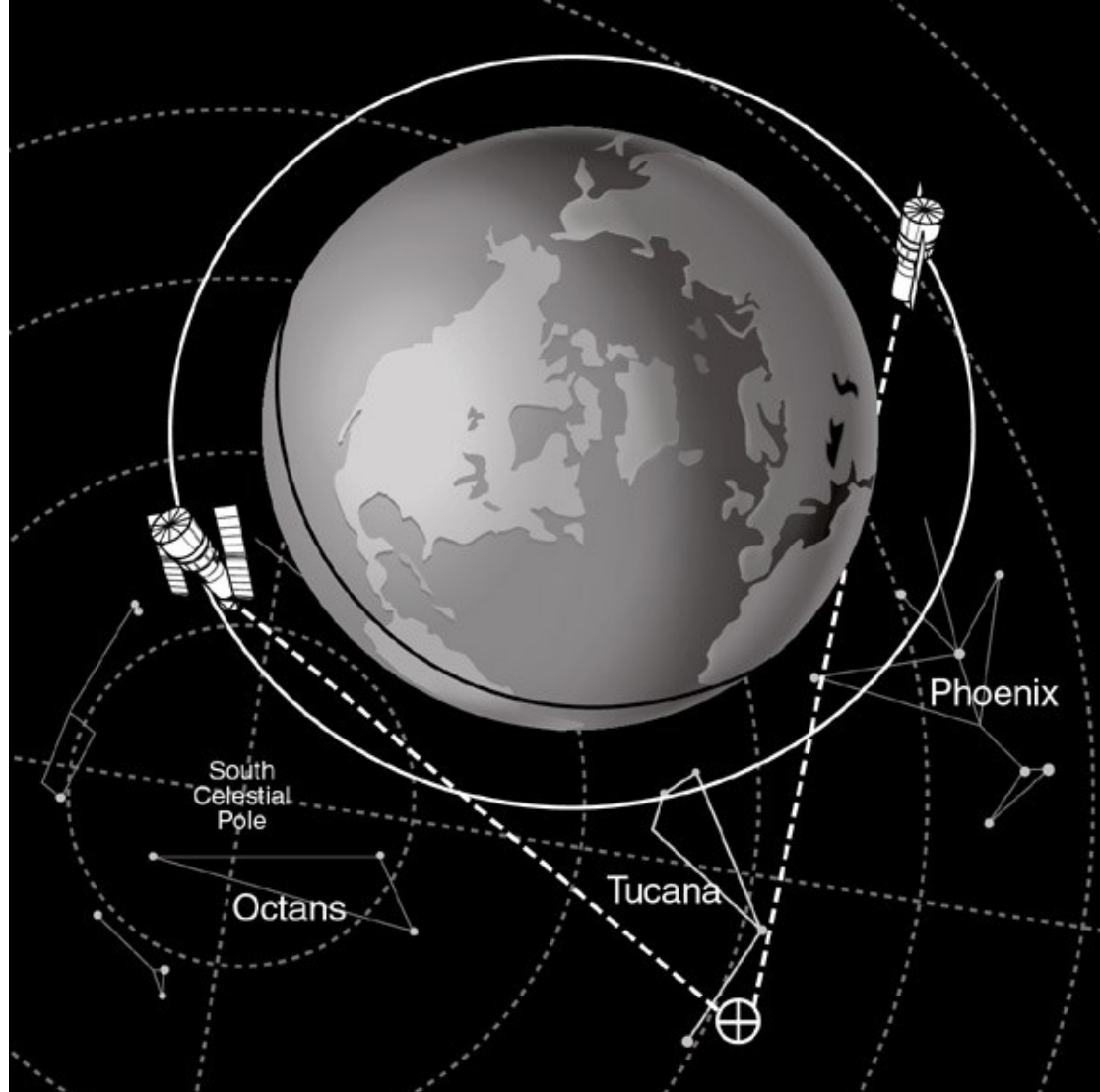












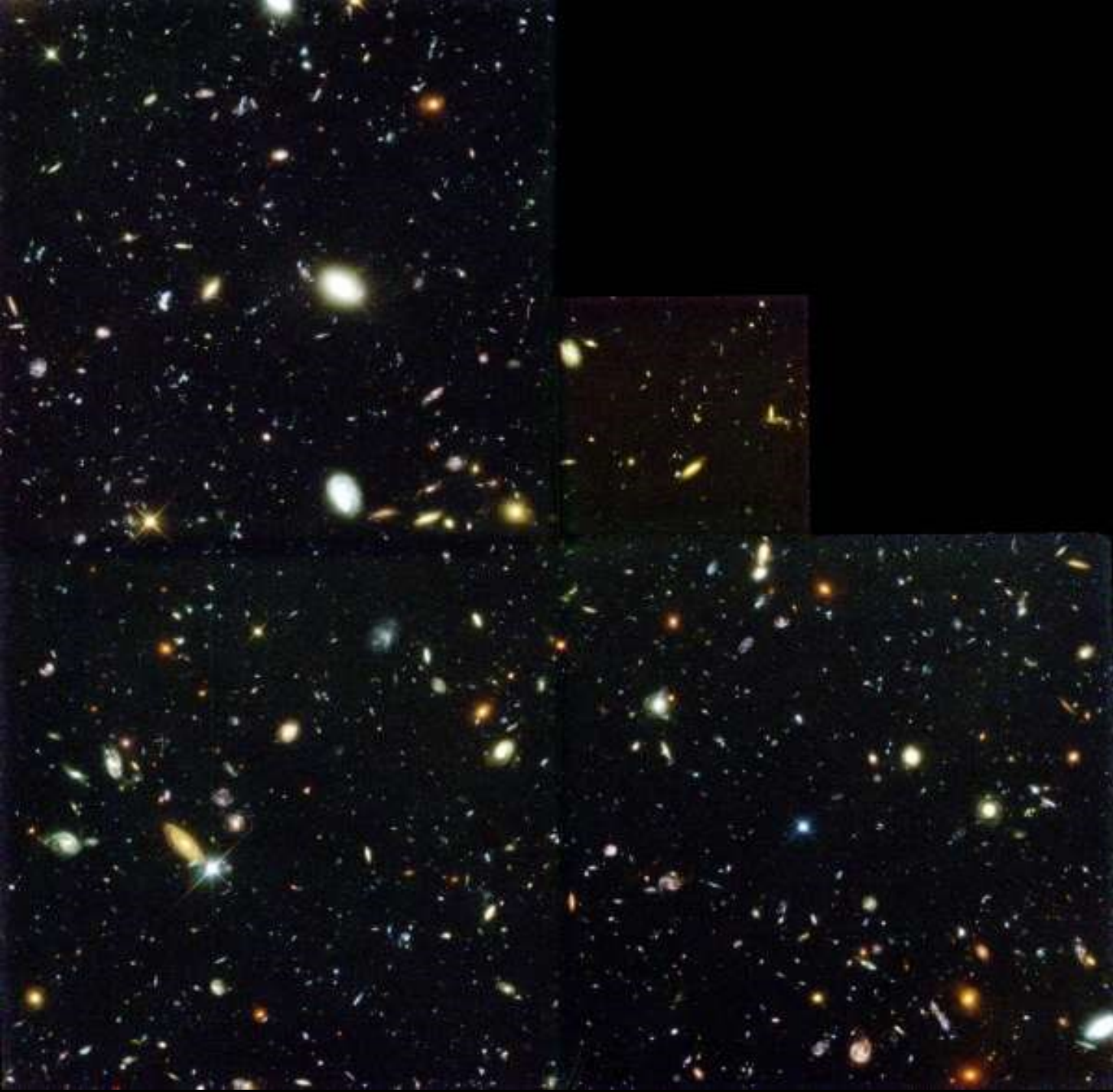
Hubble Deep Field South Target

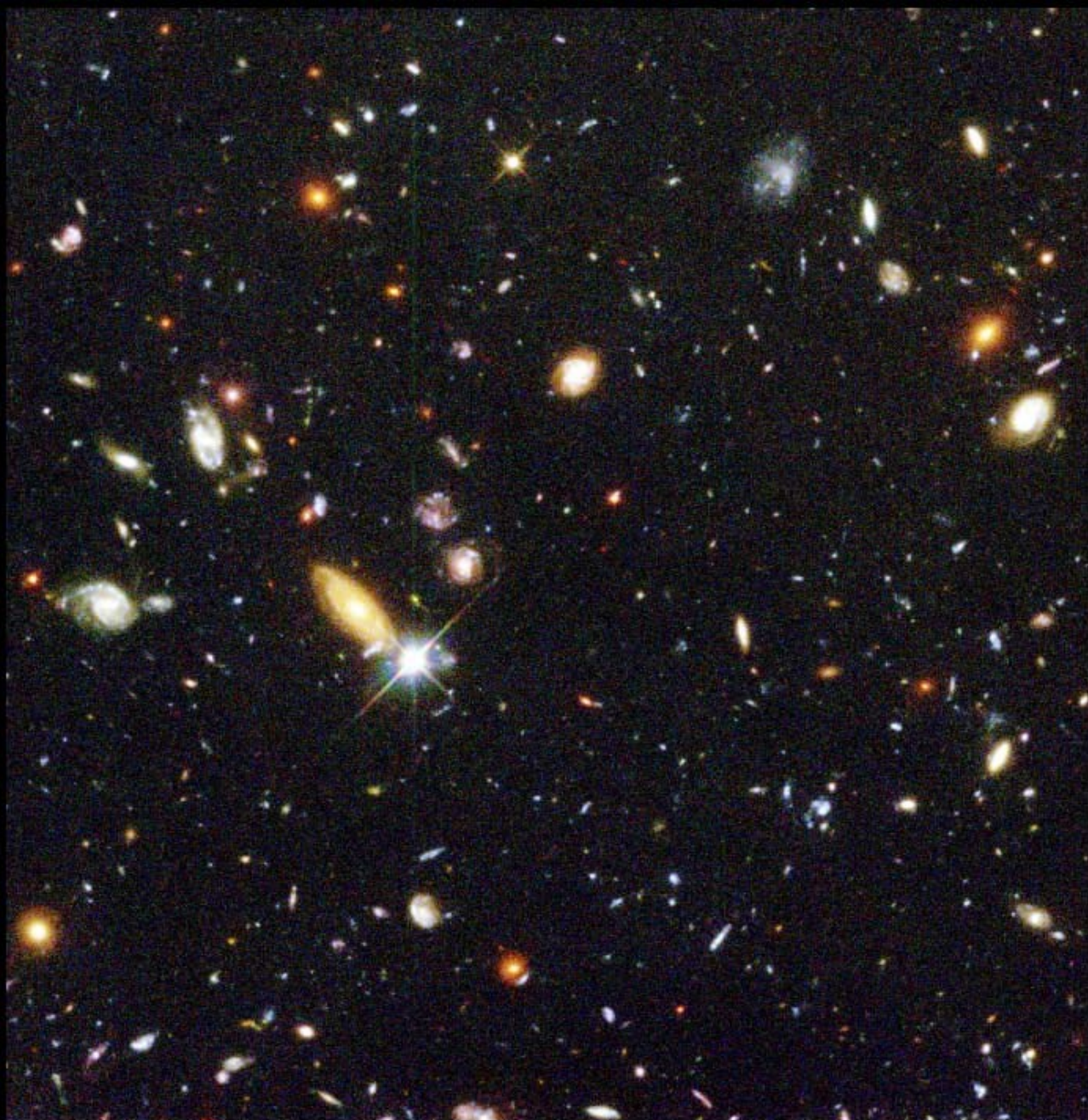
Turning its vision toward southern skies, the Hubble Space Telescope made a 10-day-long observation across the universe to uncover thousands of never-before-seen galaxies.











Hubble Deep Field

HST · WFPC2

PRC96-01a · ST Scl OPO · January 15, 1996 · R. Williams (ST Scl), NASA

**186,000
miles per second
is not only
a good idea . . .**



IT'S THE LAW!



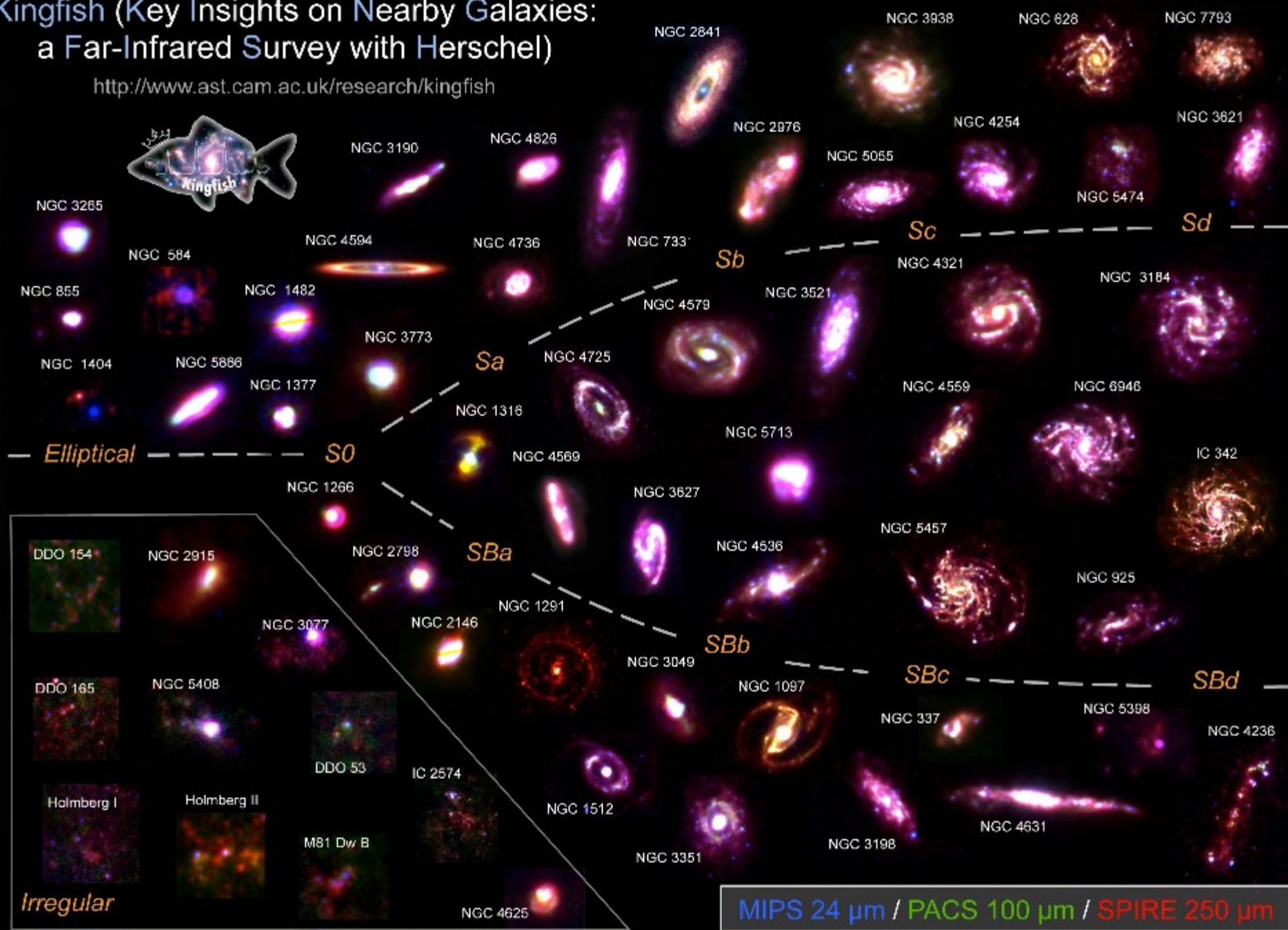




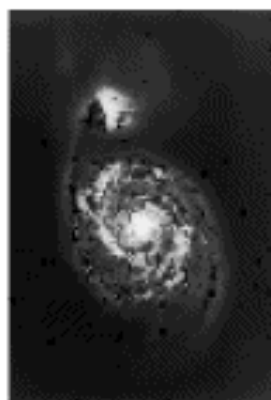


Kingfish (Key Insights on Nearby Galaxies: a Far-Infrared Survey with Herschel)

<http://www.ast.cam.ac.uk/research/kingfish>



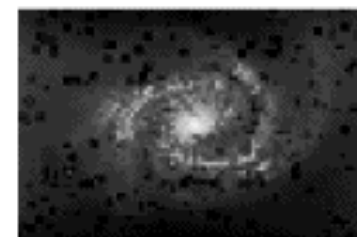
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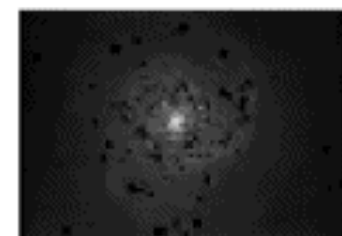
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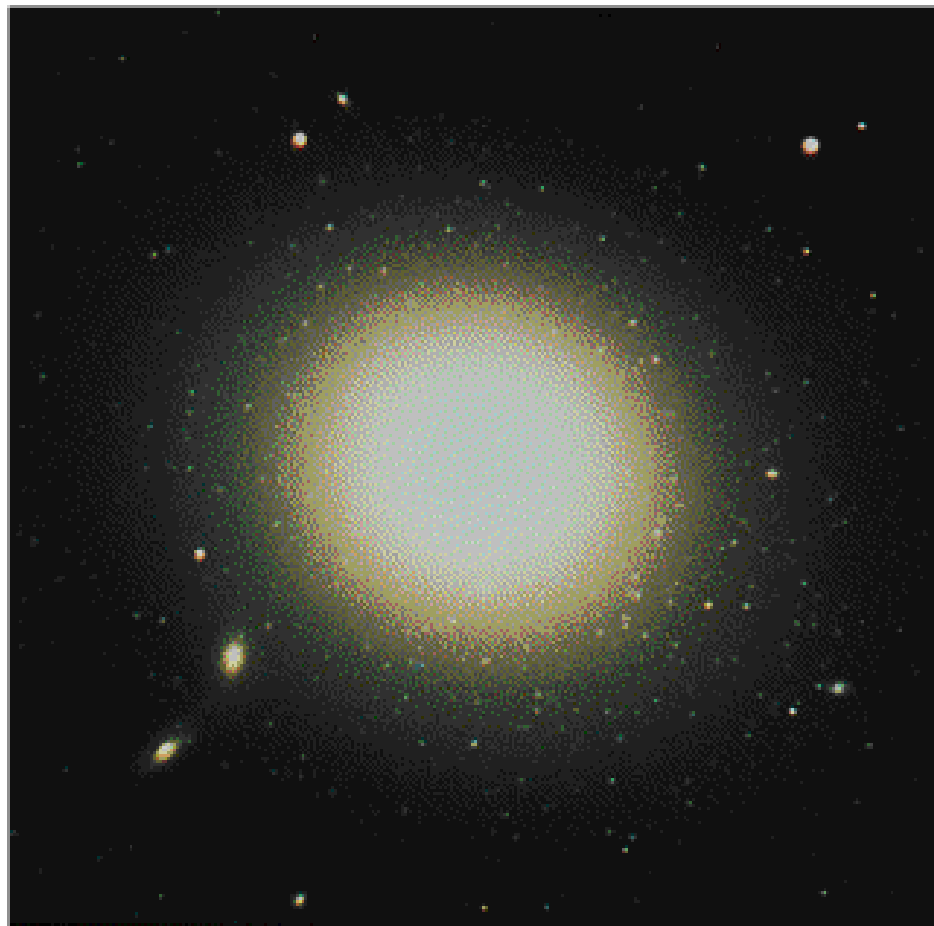
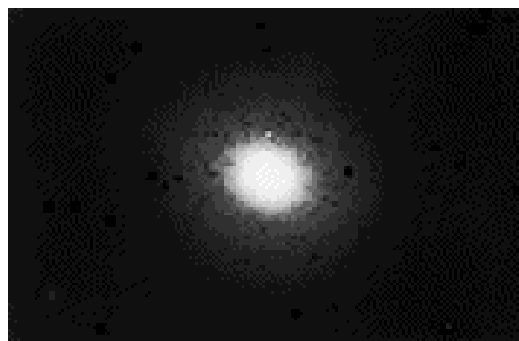


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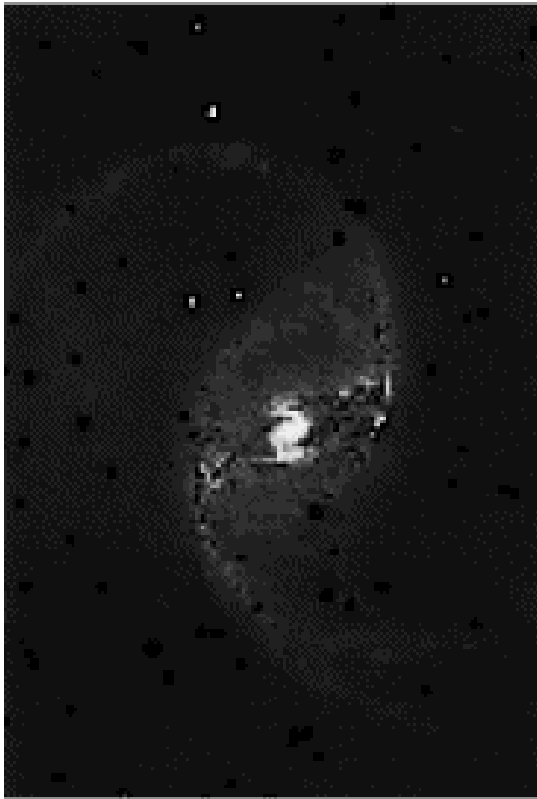
Elliptical Galaxies



Irregular Galaxies



Barred Spiral Galaxies

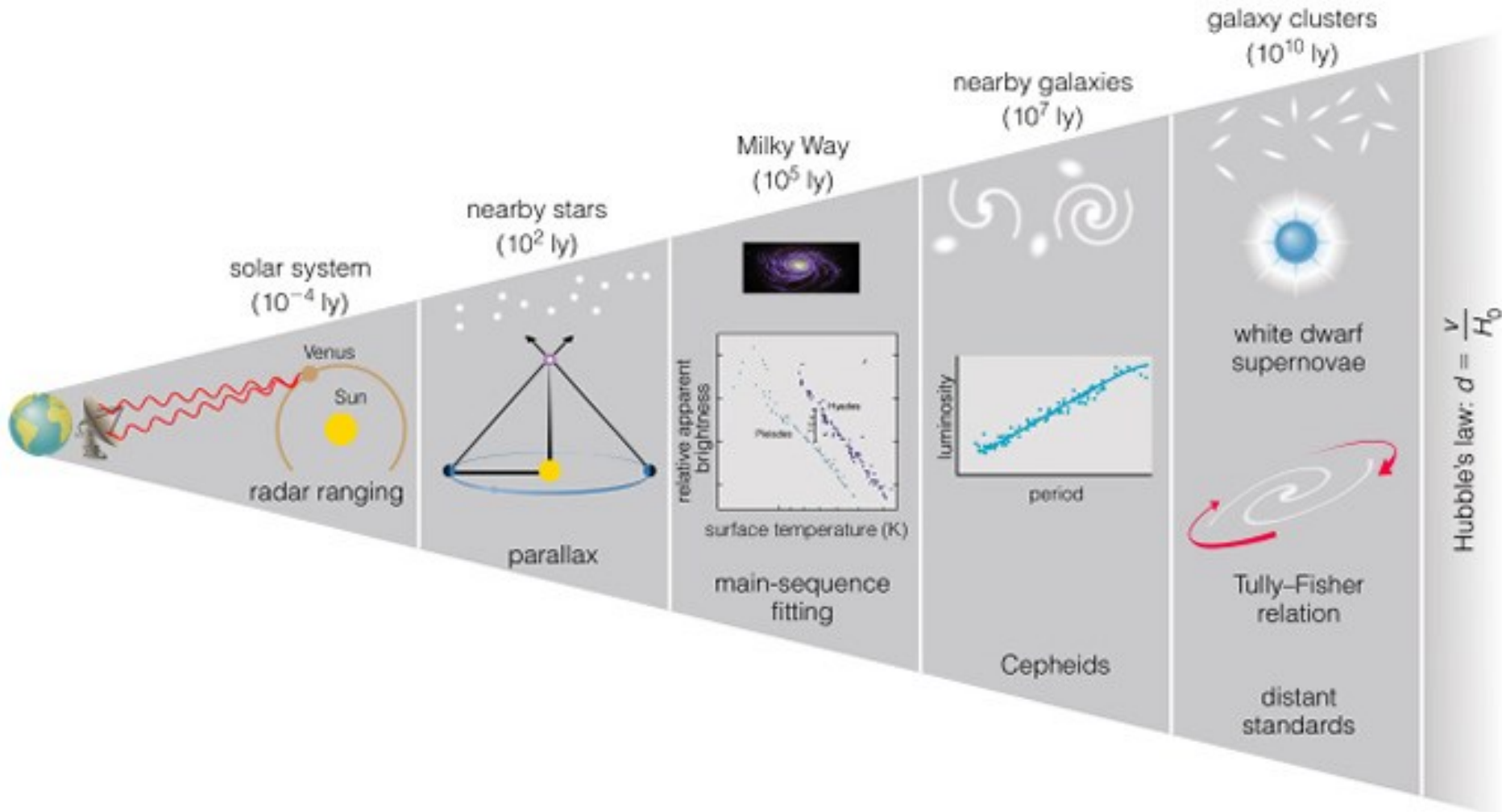


The Coma Cluster of Galaxies

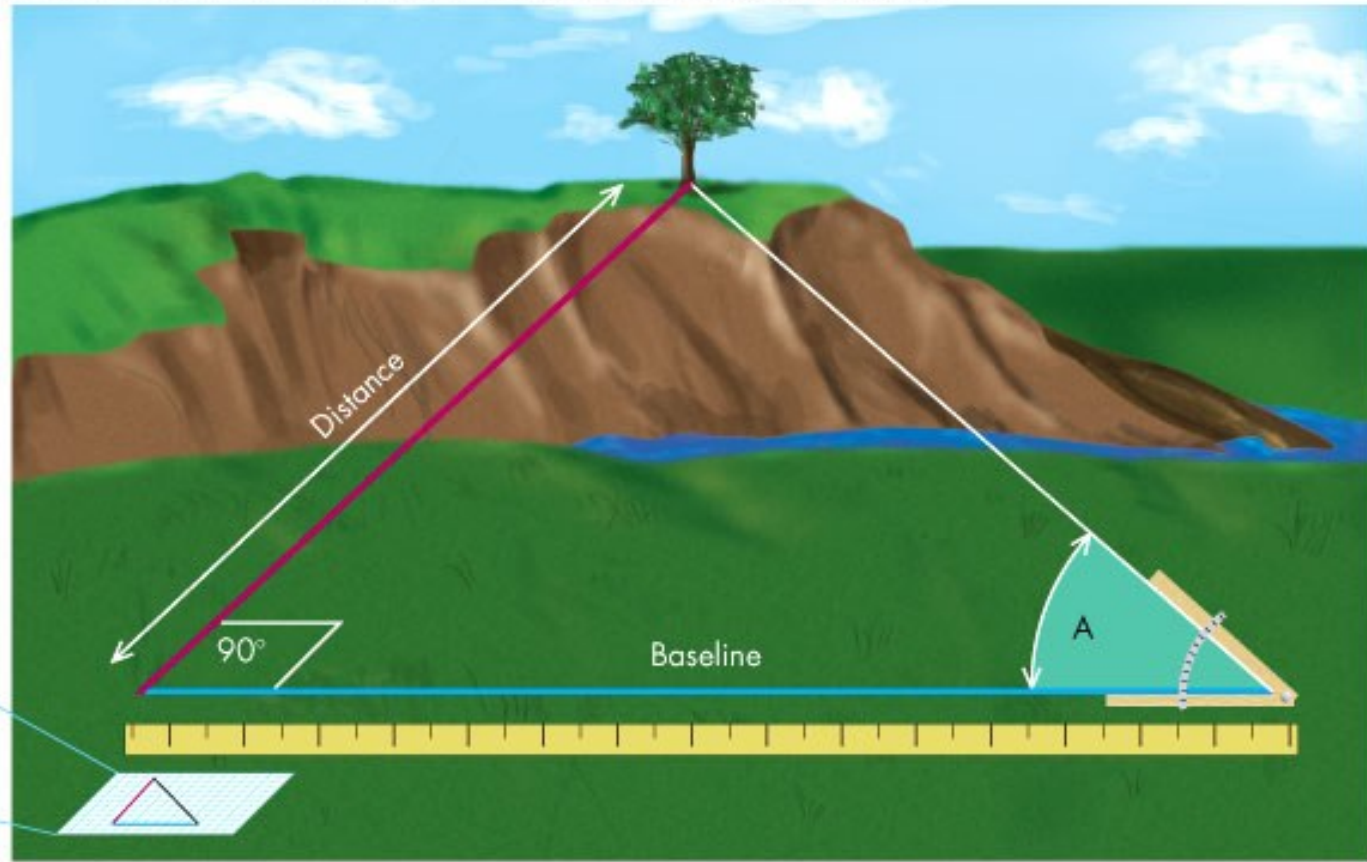
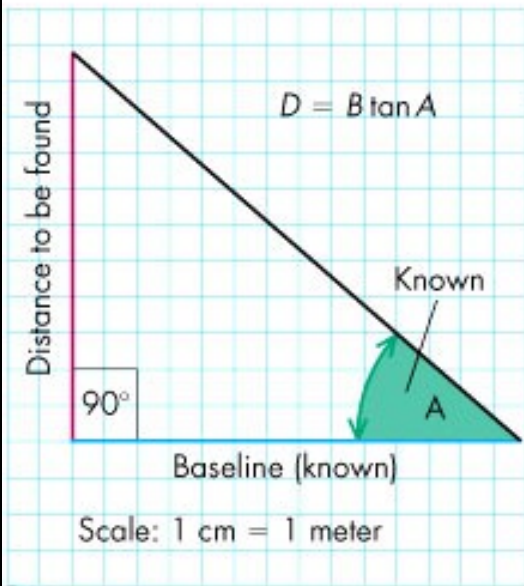


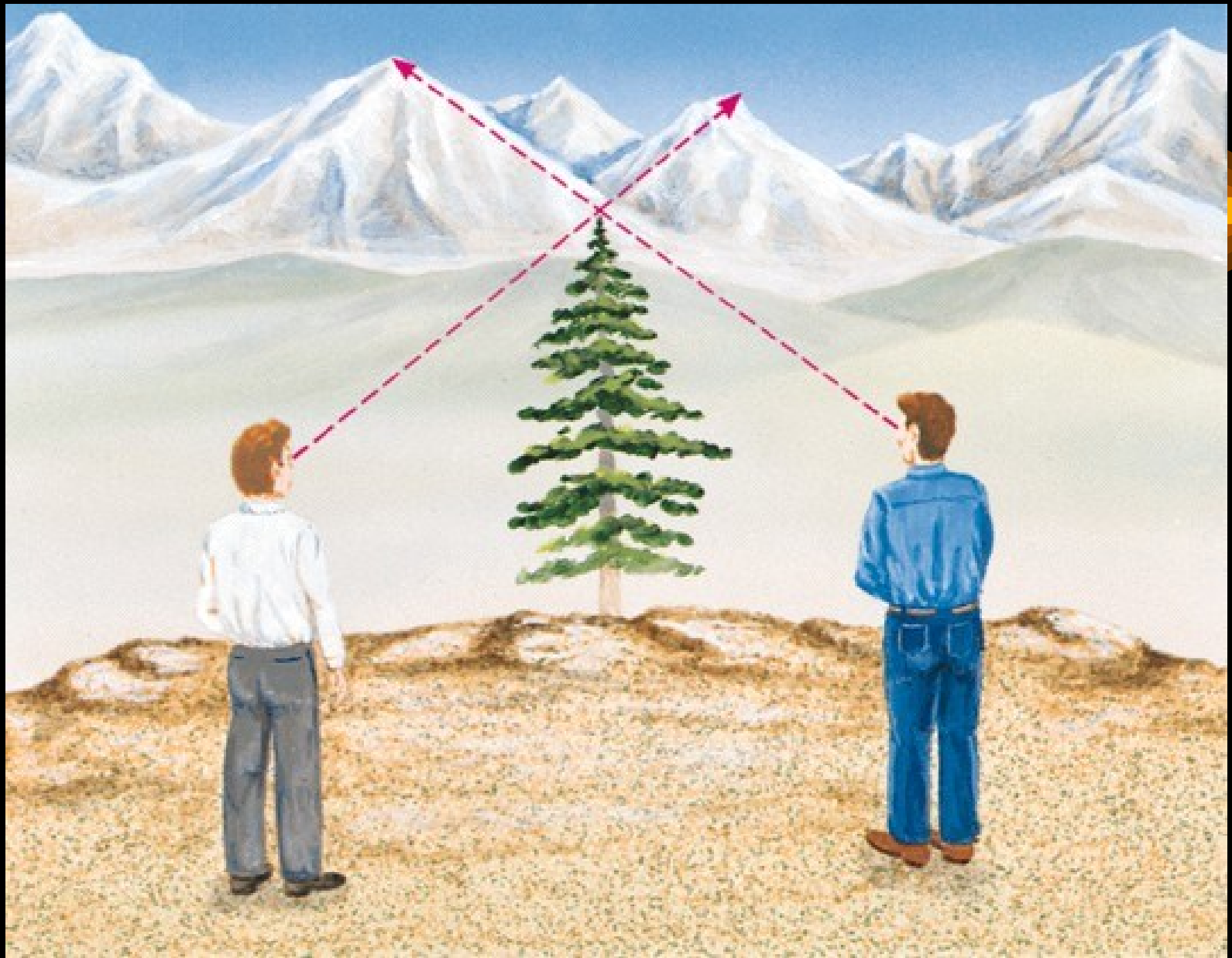


Cosmic Distance Ladder

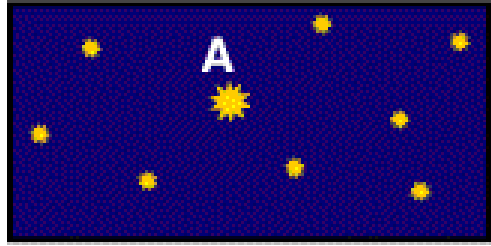
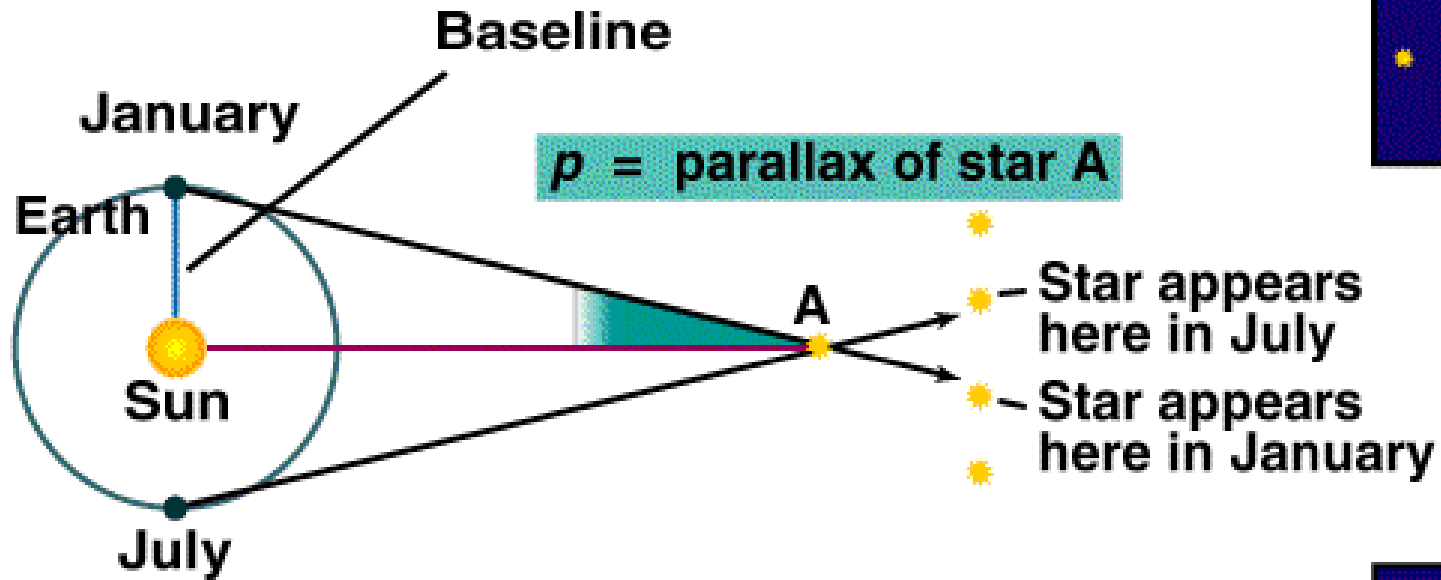


Scale drawing of measured triangle

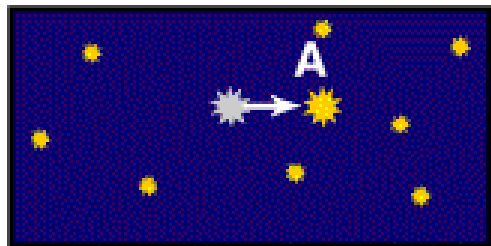




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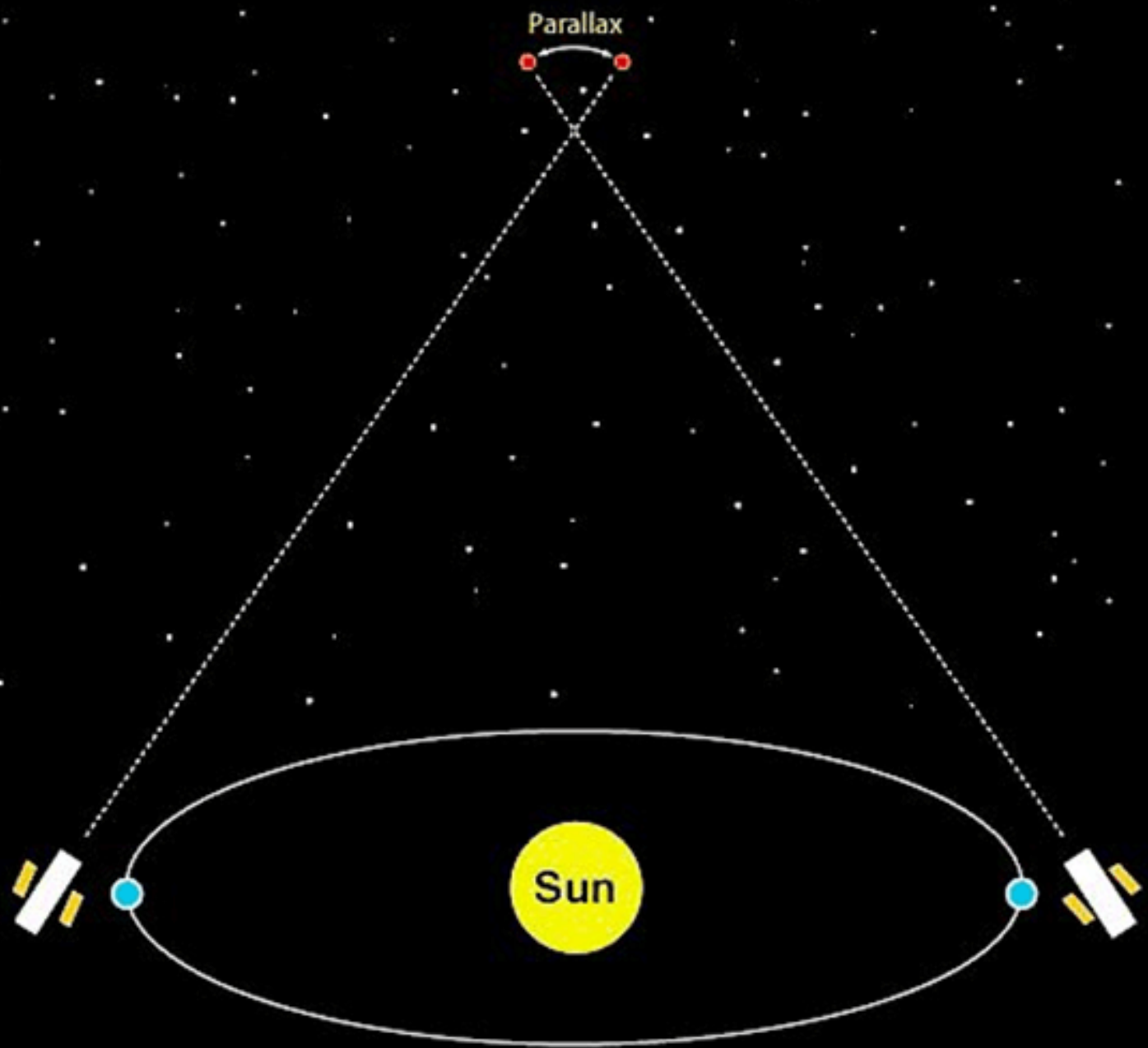
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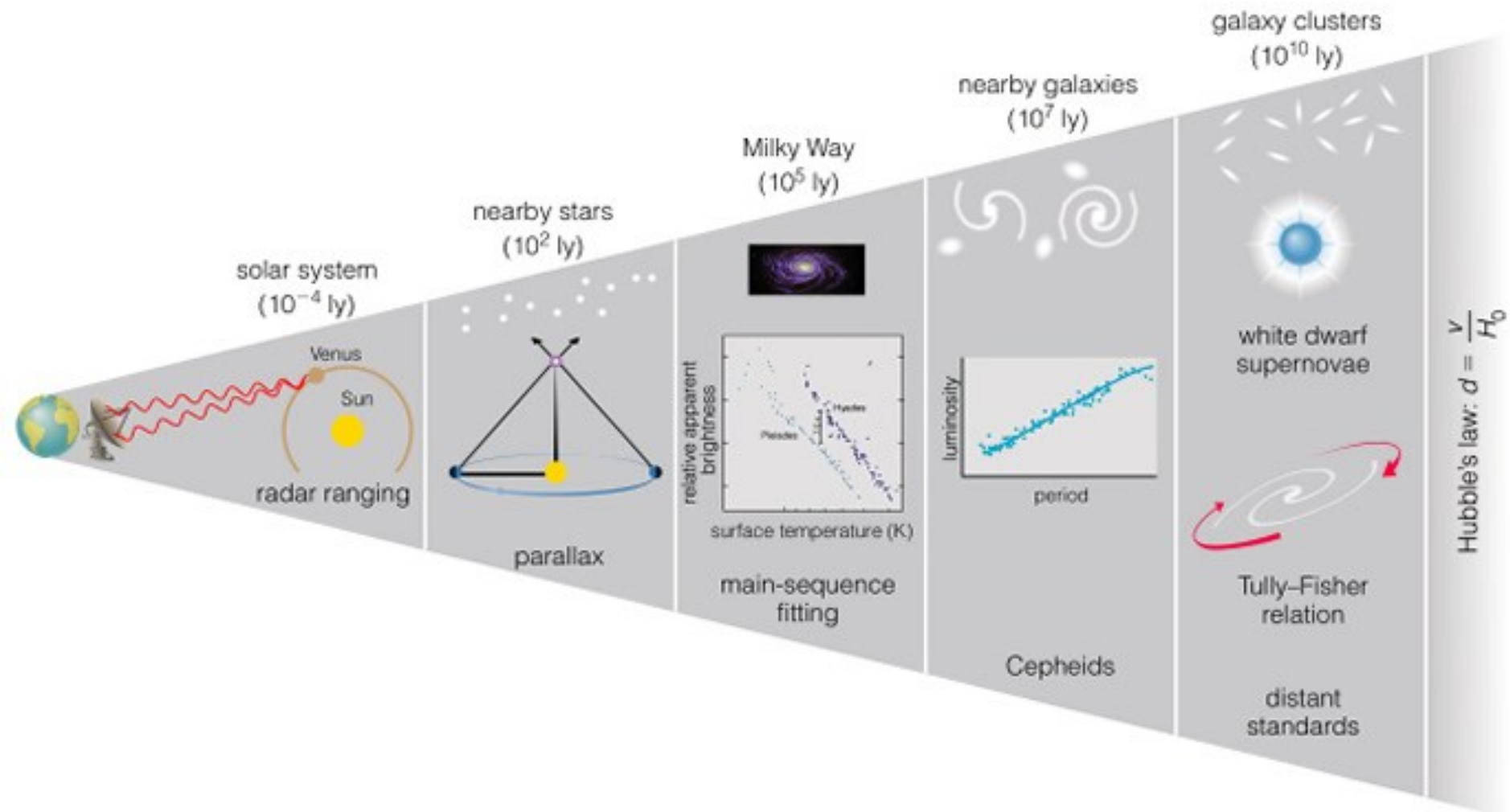
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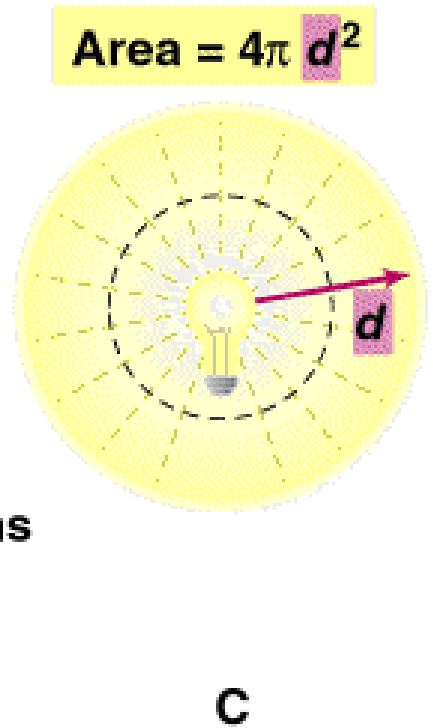
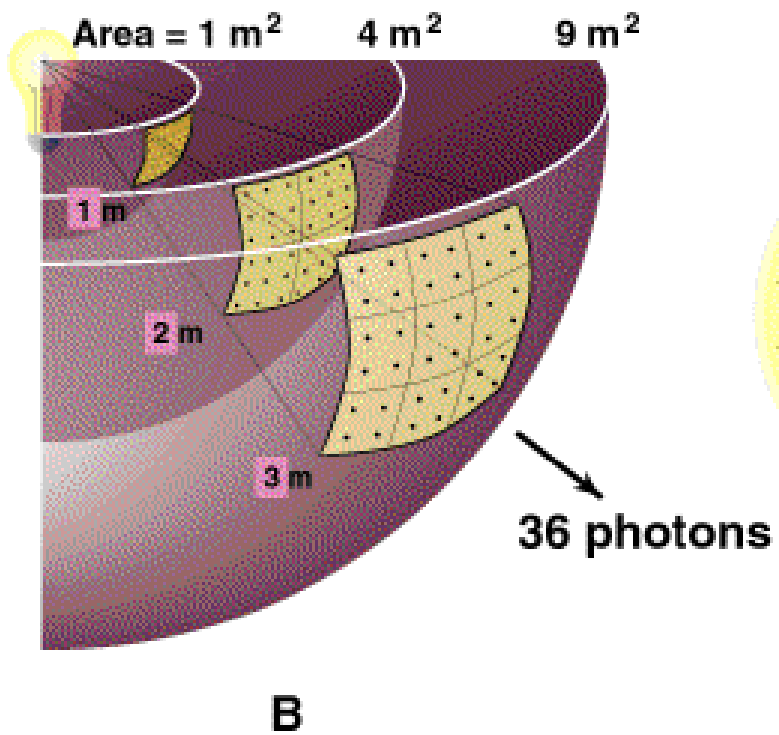
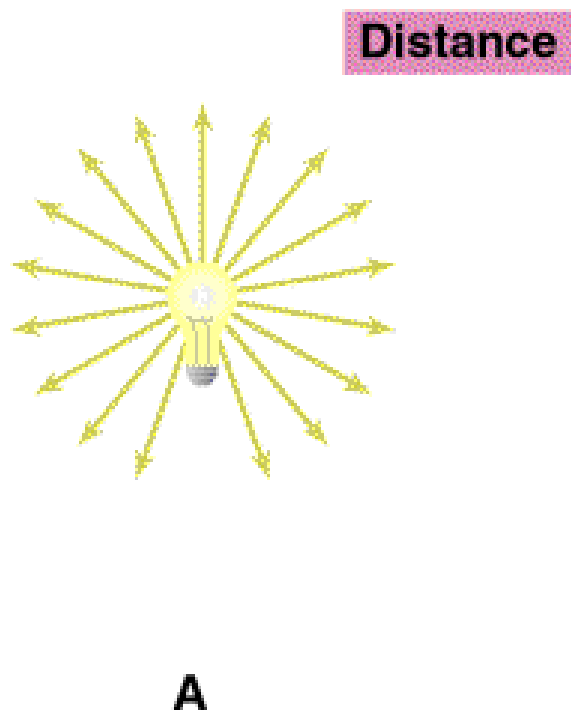


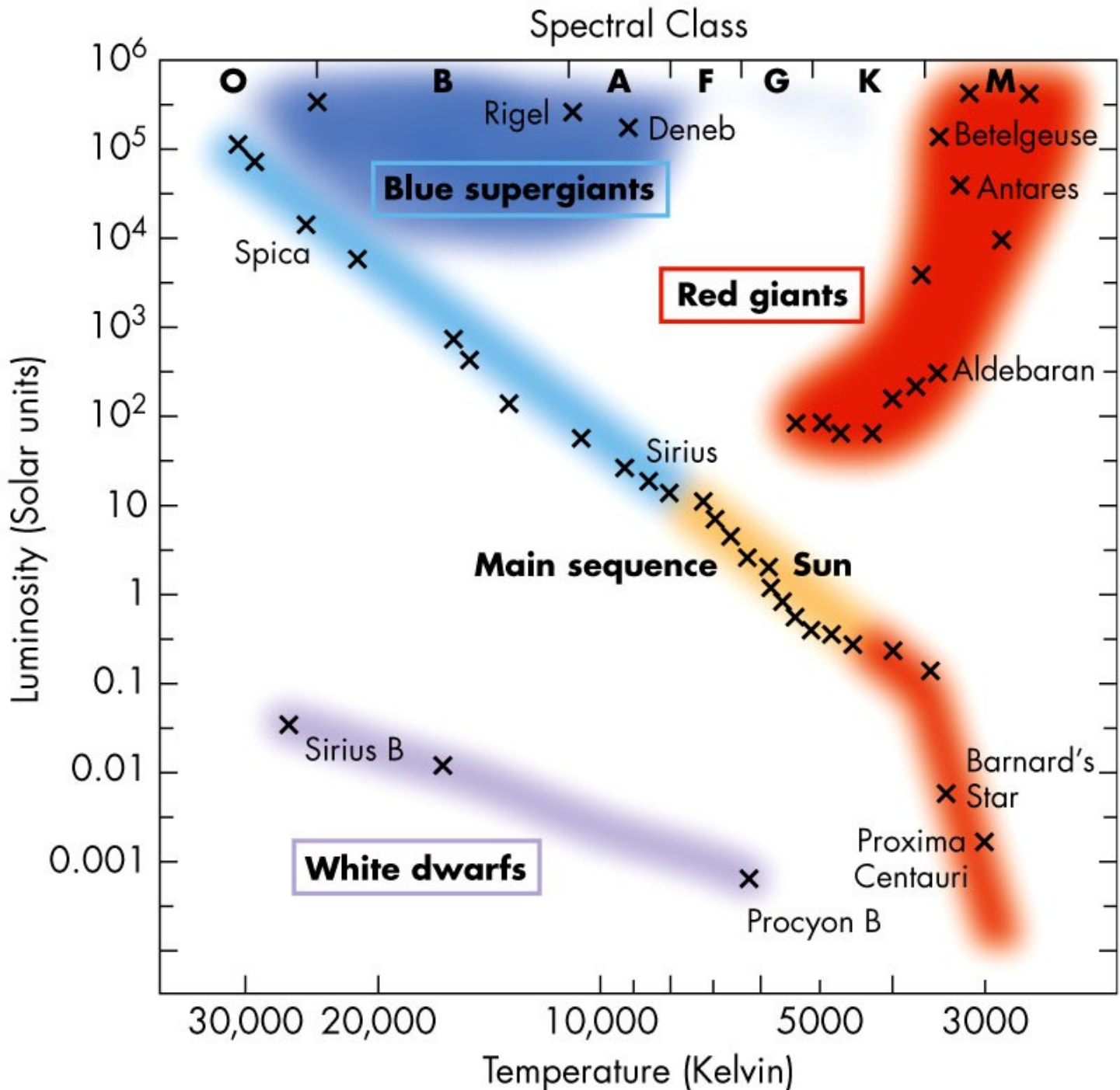
Inverse Square Law

$$\frac{36}{1^2} = 36 \text{ photons/m}^2$$

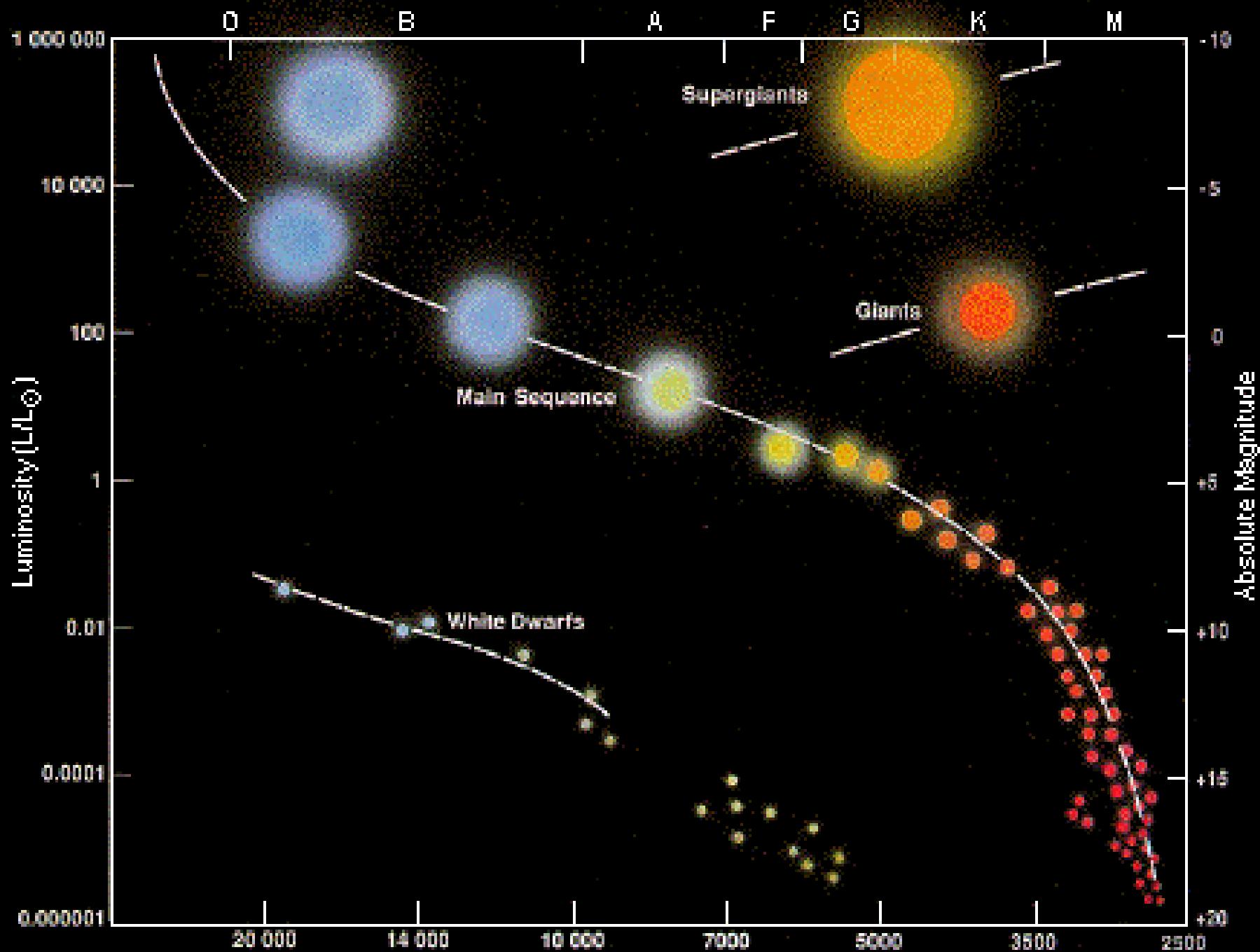
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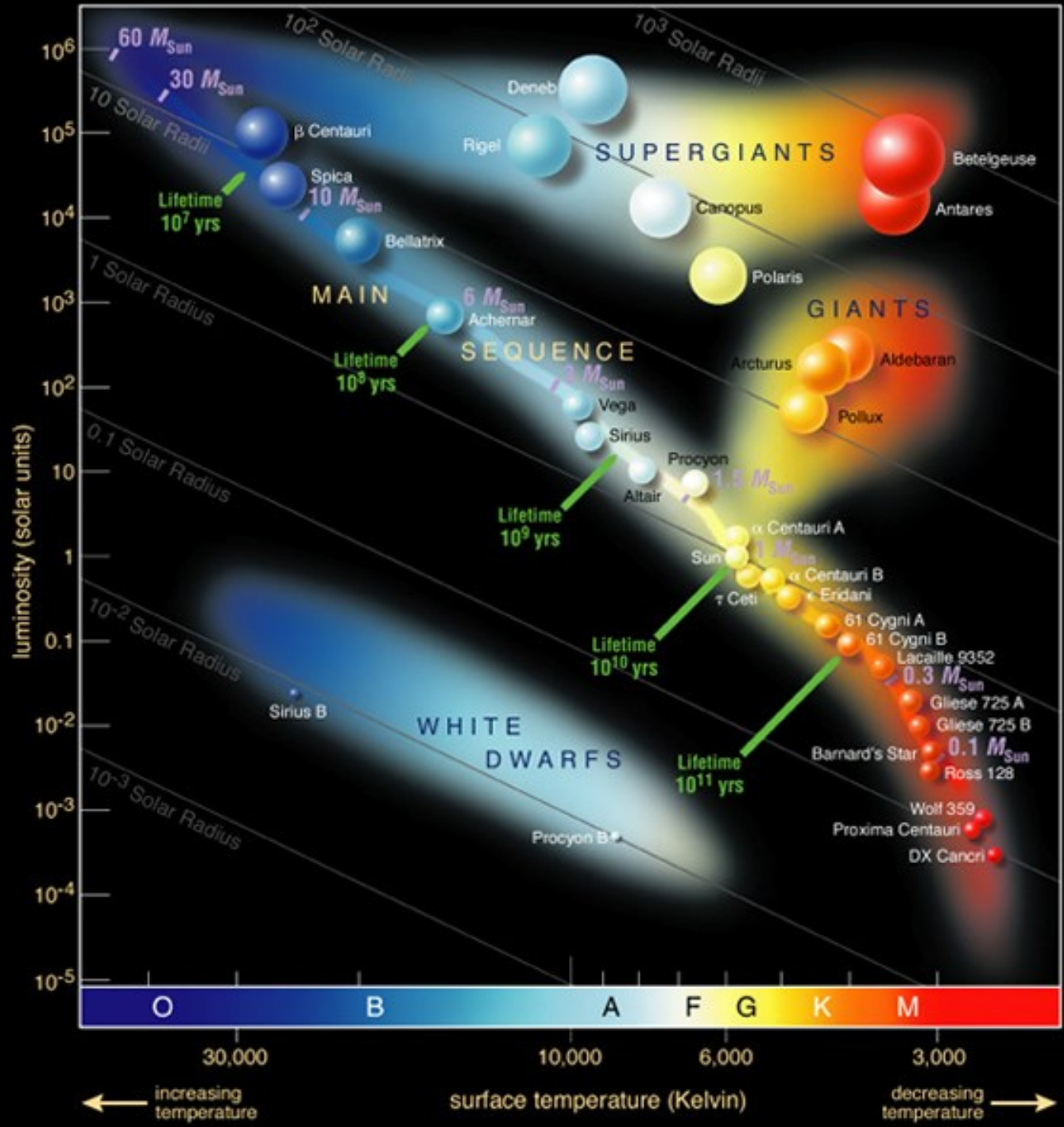
$$\frac{36}{3^2} = 4 \text{ photons/m}^2$$

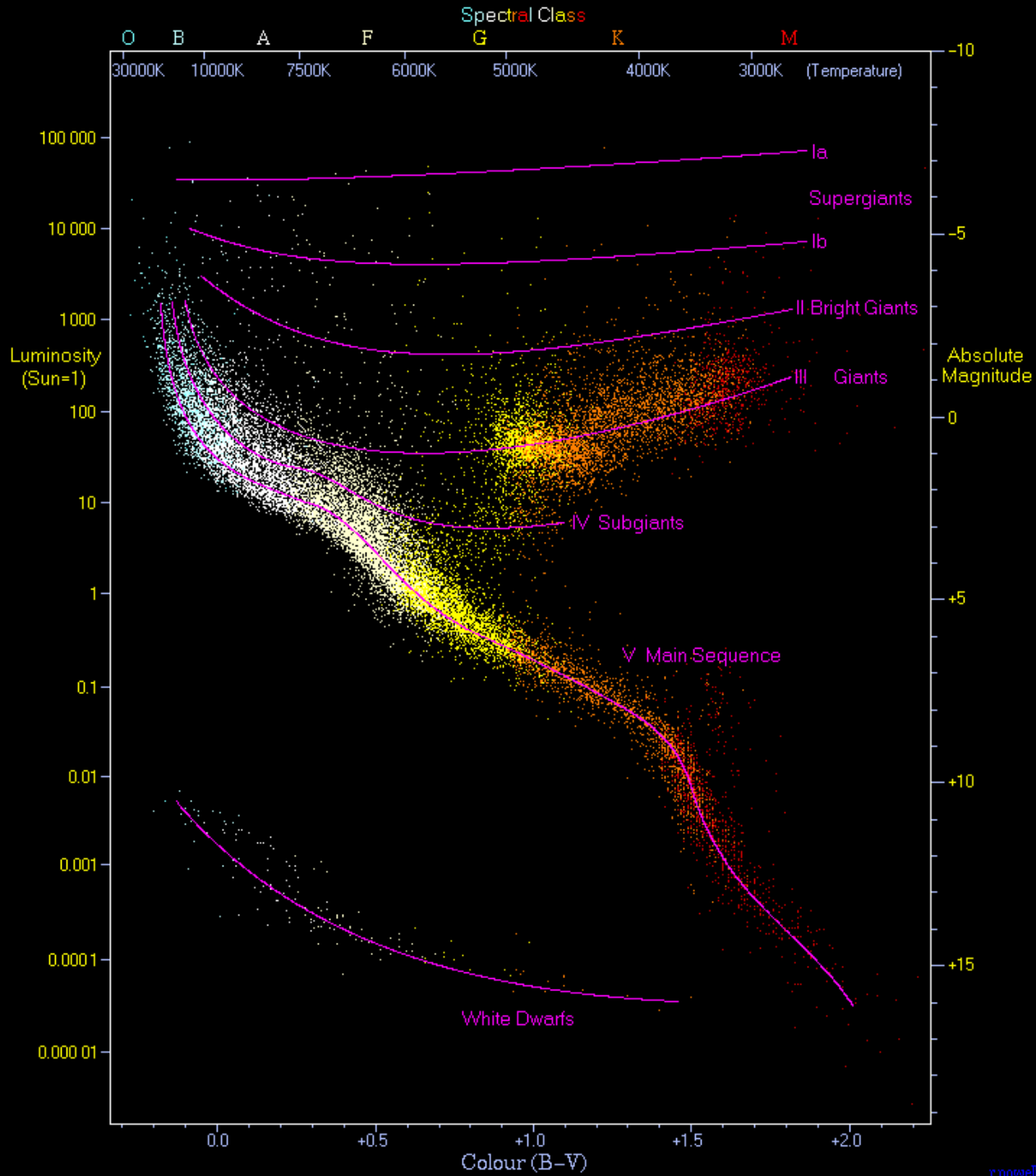


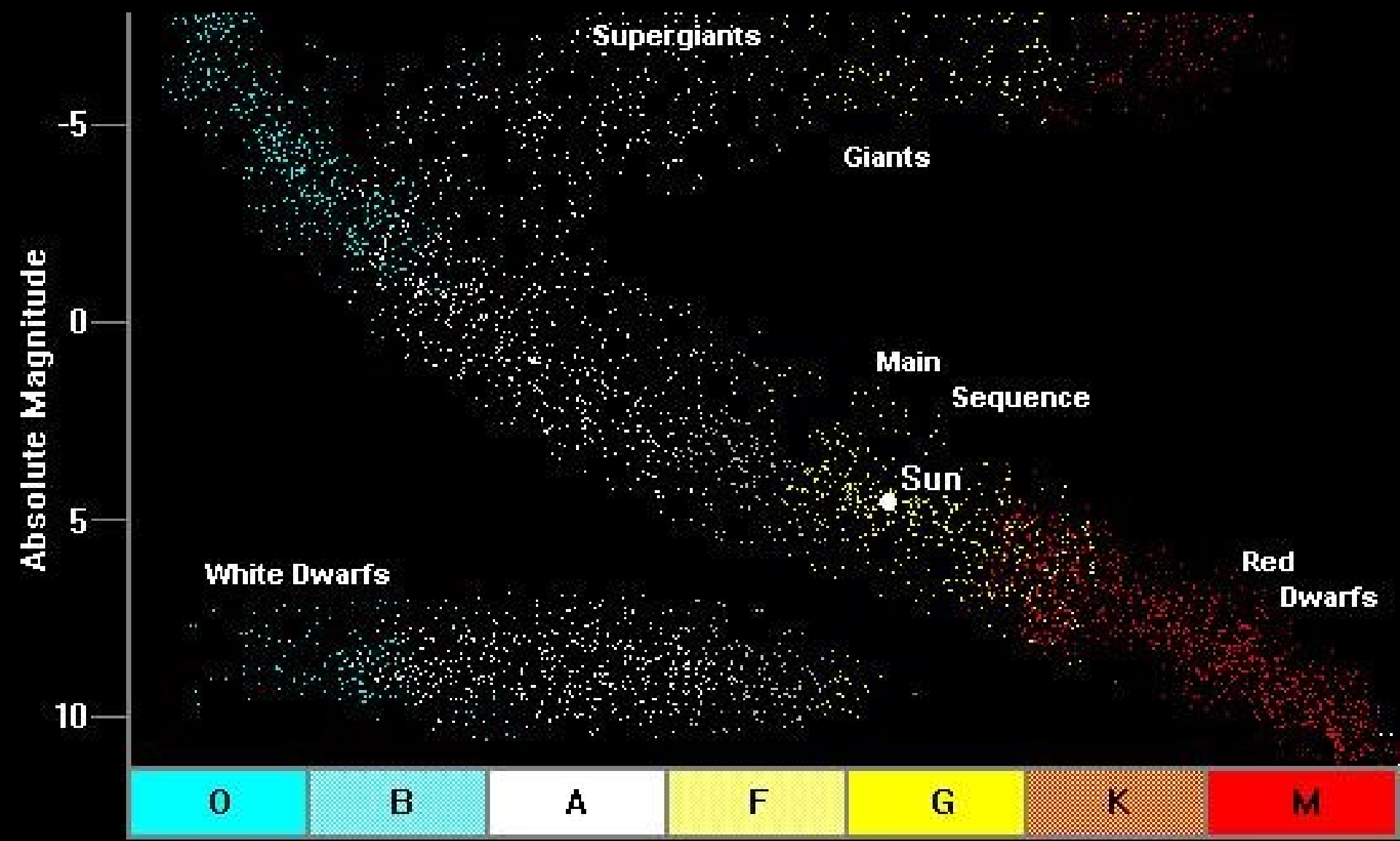


Spectral Class

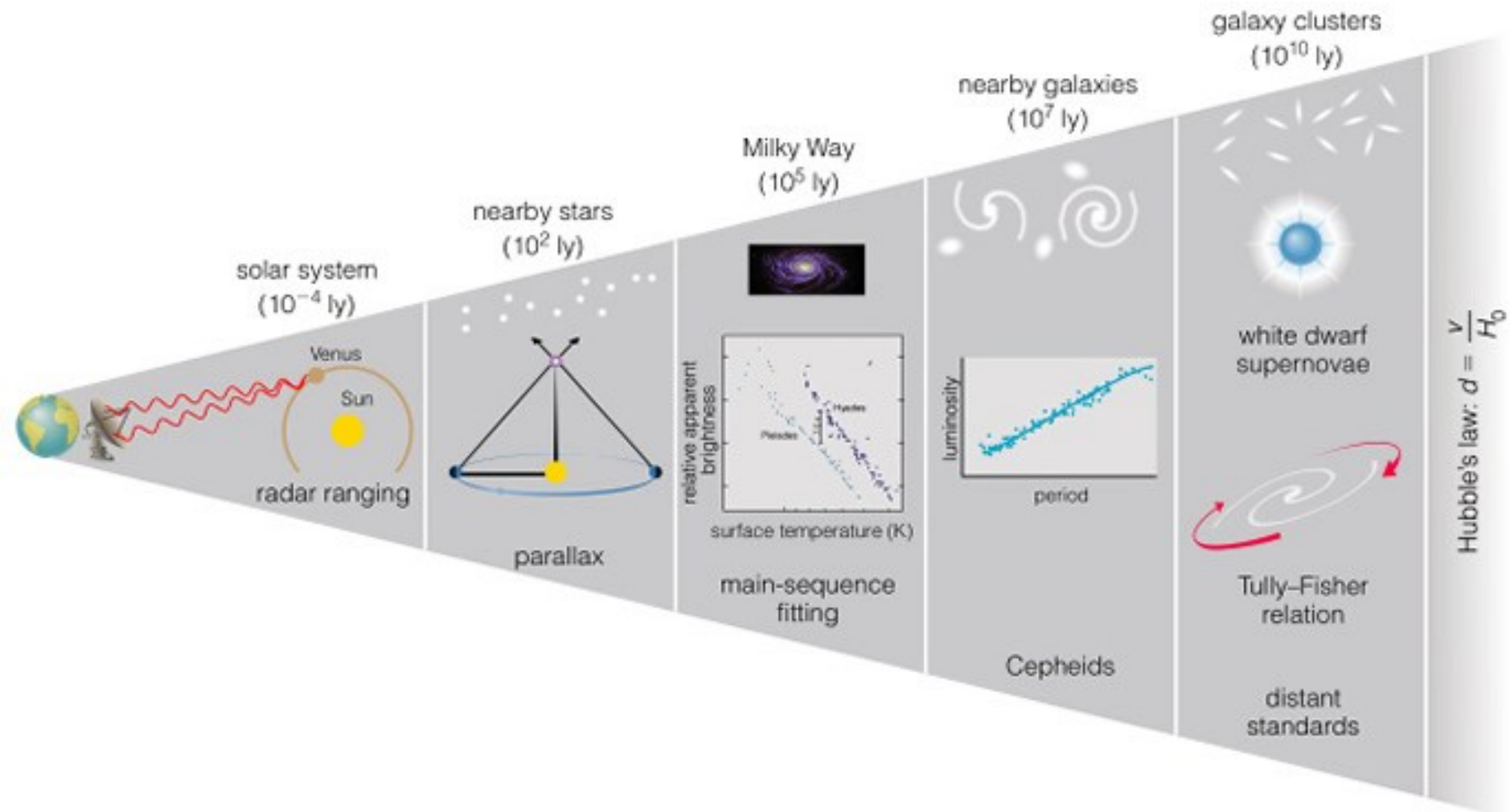






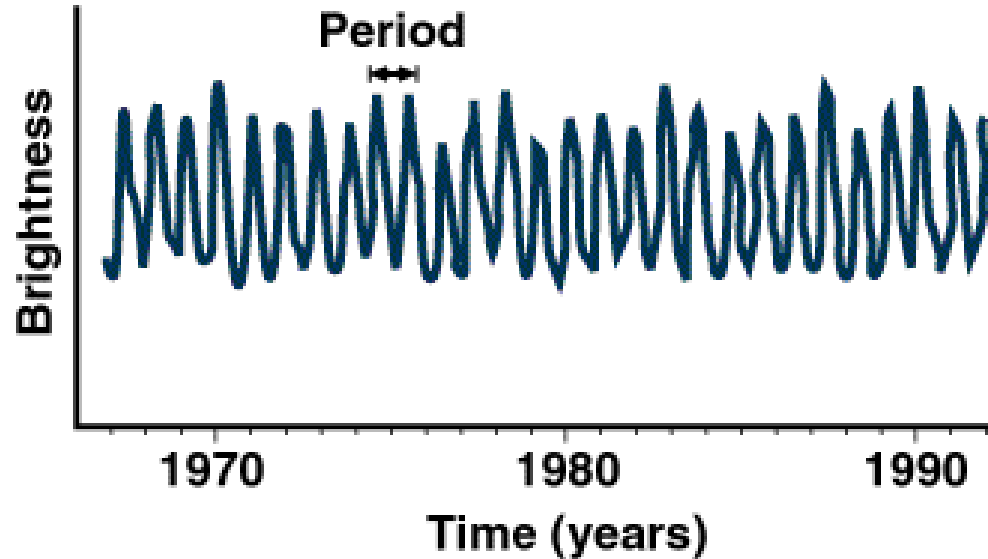


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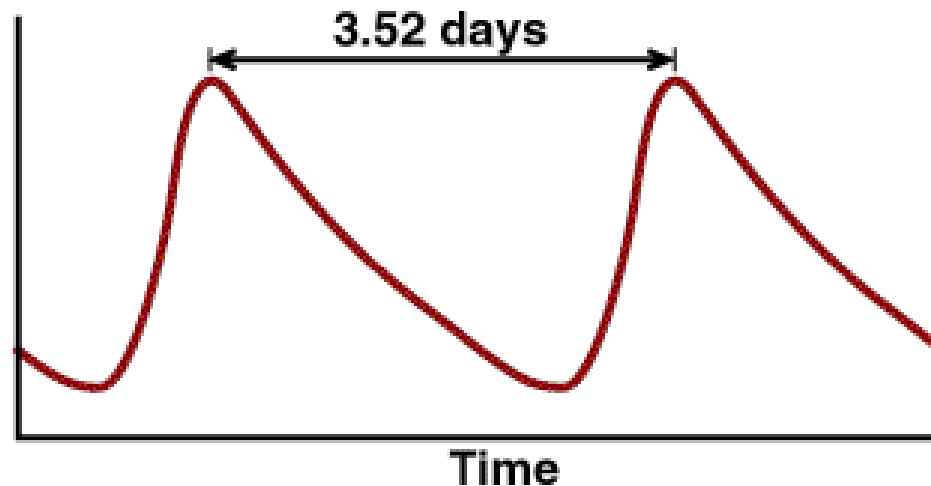


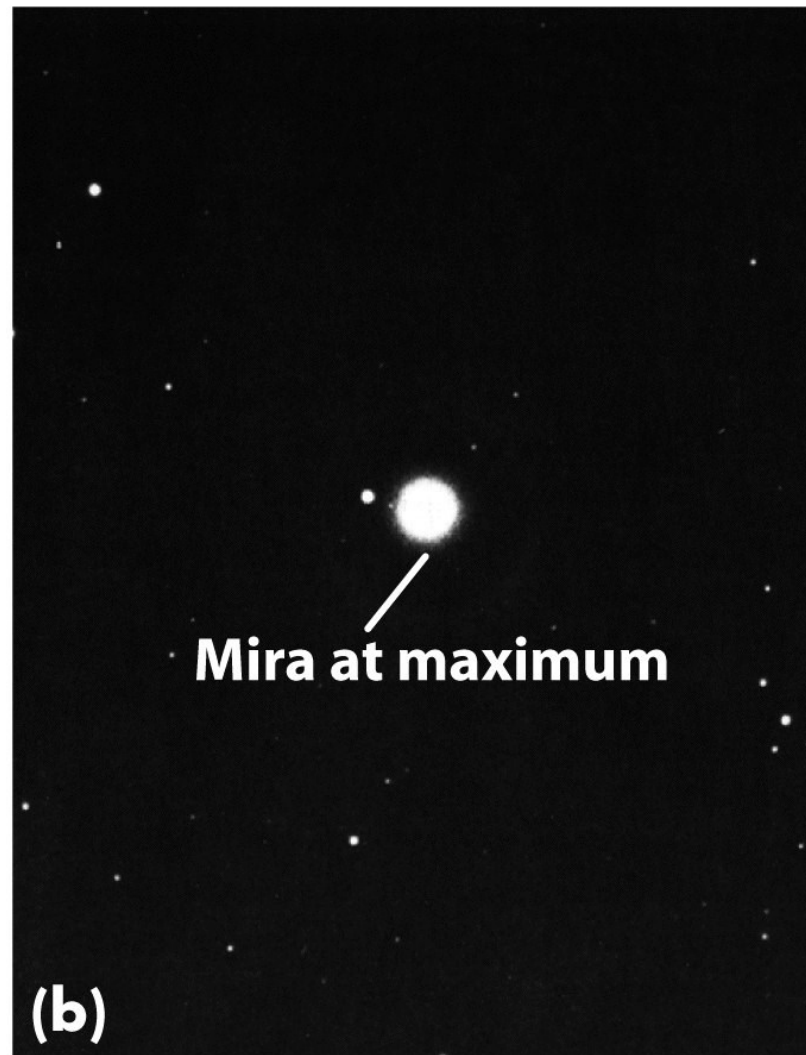
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Mira – A long-period variable star

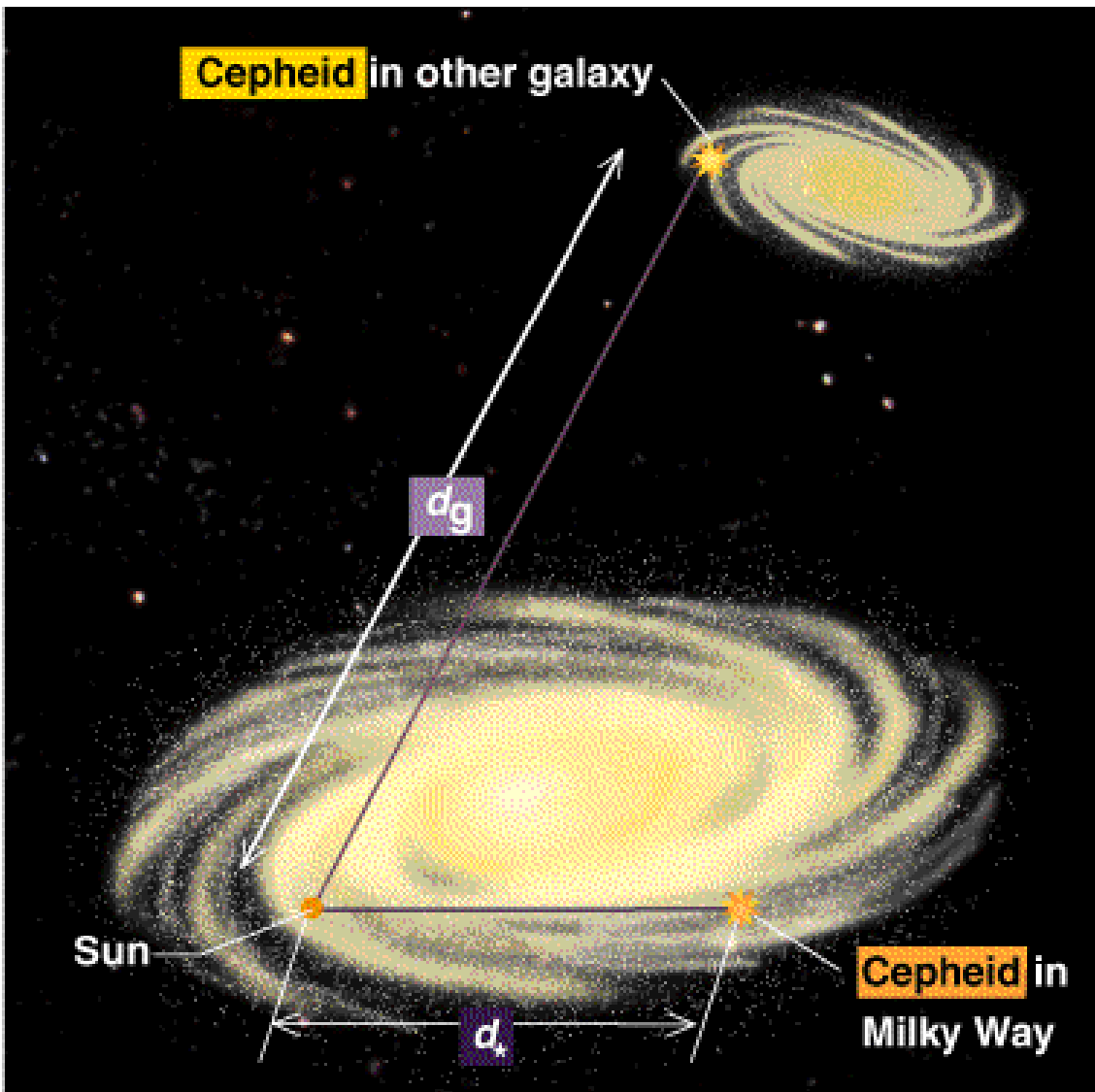


Cepheid – A Short-period variable star





Measuring Distance to a Galaxy Using Cepheid Variables as Standard Candles



$$\frac{B_*}{B_g} = \left(\frac{d_g}{d_*} \right)^2 \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{d_g}{d_*} = \sqrt{\frac{B_*}{B_g}}$$

*chemical
compositions as well as surface
temperatures*



- Stars are classified into spectral types (subdivisions of the spectral classes O, B, A, F, G, K, and M), based on the major patterns of spectral lines in their spectra

HOW DO WE MEASURE DISTANCE?

- Gauging a galaxy's actual distance is difficult.
- Hubble managed it by observing the apparent brightness of stars called Cepheid variables, whose intrinsic brightness is known.

CEPHEID VARIABLES

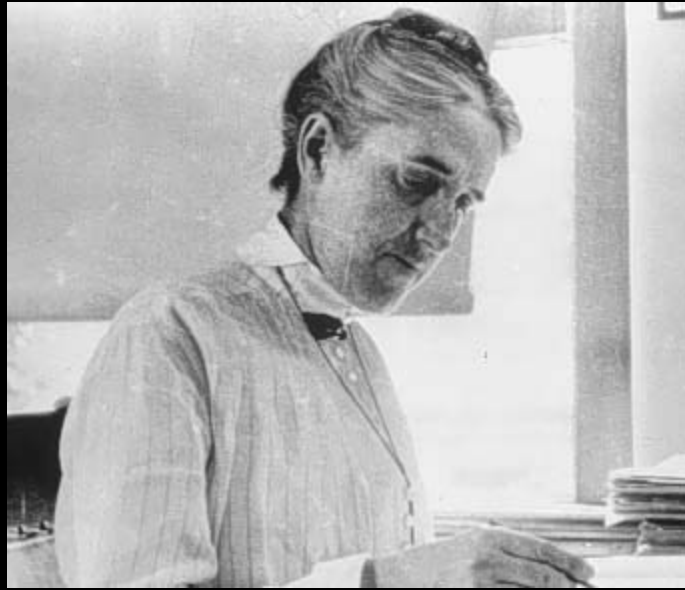
- The most important variables stars in astronomy
- In 1912 Henrietta Leavitt discovers a relationship between a cepheids period of light change with its absolute brightness
- comparing this absolute brightness with its apparent brightness we can determine its distance with the inverse square law.



Henrietta Leavitt Calibrates the Stars

Henrietta Swan Leavitt *(1868-1921).*

- Working at Harvard College Observatory, Leavitt precisely calibrated the photographic magnitudes of 47 stars to which all other stars could be compared.
- Humanity's understanding of the relative brightness and variability of stars was revolutionized by her work .



Leavitt published her findings in 1912 -- in a chart of 25 cepheid periods and their apparent brightness. Using this, astronomers only needed to know the period of a cepheid variable to figure out how bright, and therefore how far away it was. Until then, methods for measuring distance in space only worked within about 100 light years. With Leavitt's findings distances of cepheids could be determined up to 10 million light years. This became the "yardstick to the universe" used by Edwin Hubble and others to make discoveries that changed our view of our galaxy and the universe.

This enables astronomers to determine distances

Astronomers have found that there is a relation between the period of a Cepheid and its luminosity.

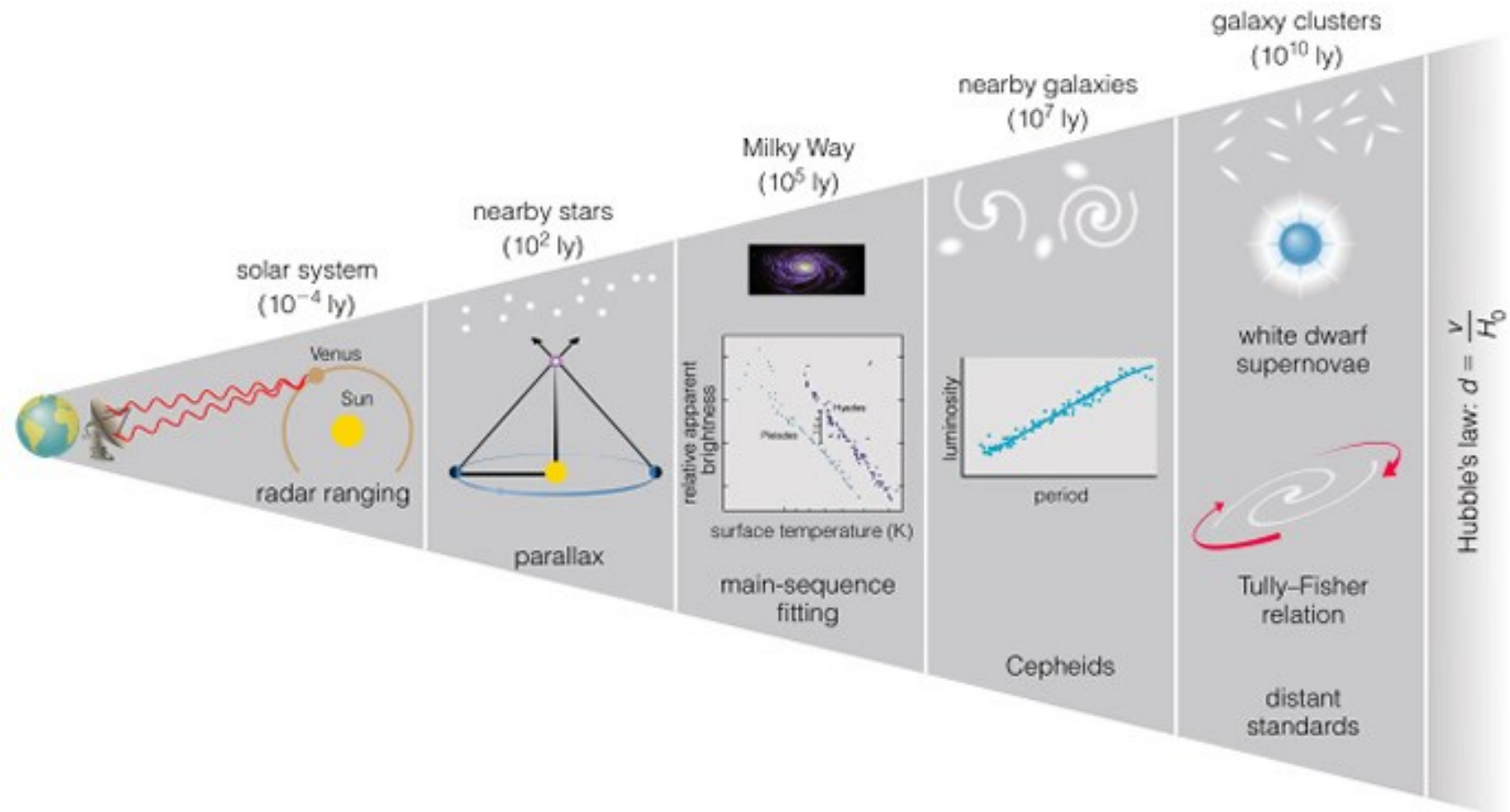
Find the period.

This gives the luminosity(absolute brightness).

Measure the apparent brightness(what we see).

With the inverse square law, determine the distance to the cepheid using the luminosity and apparent brightness.

Cosmic Distance Ladder

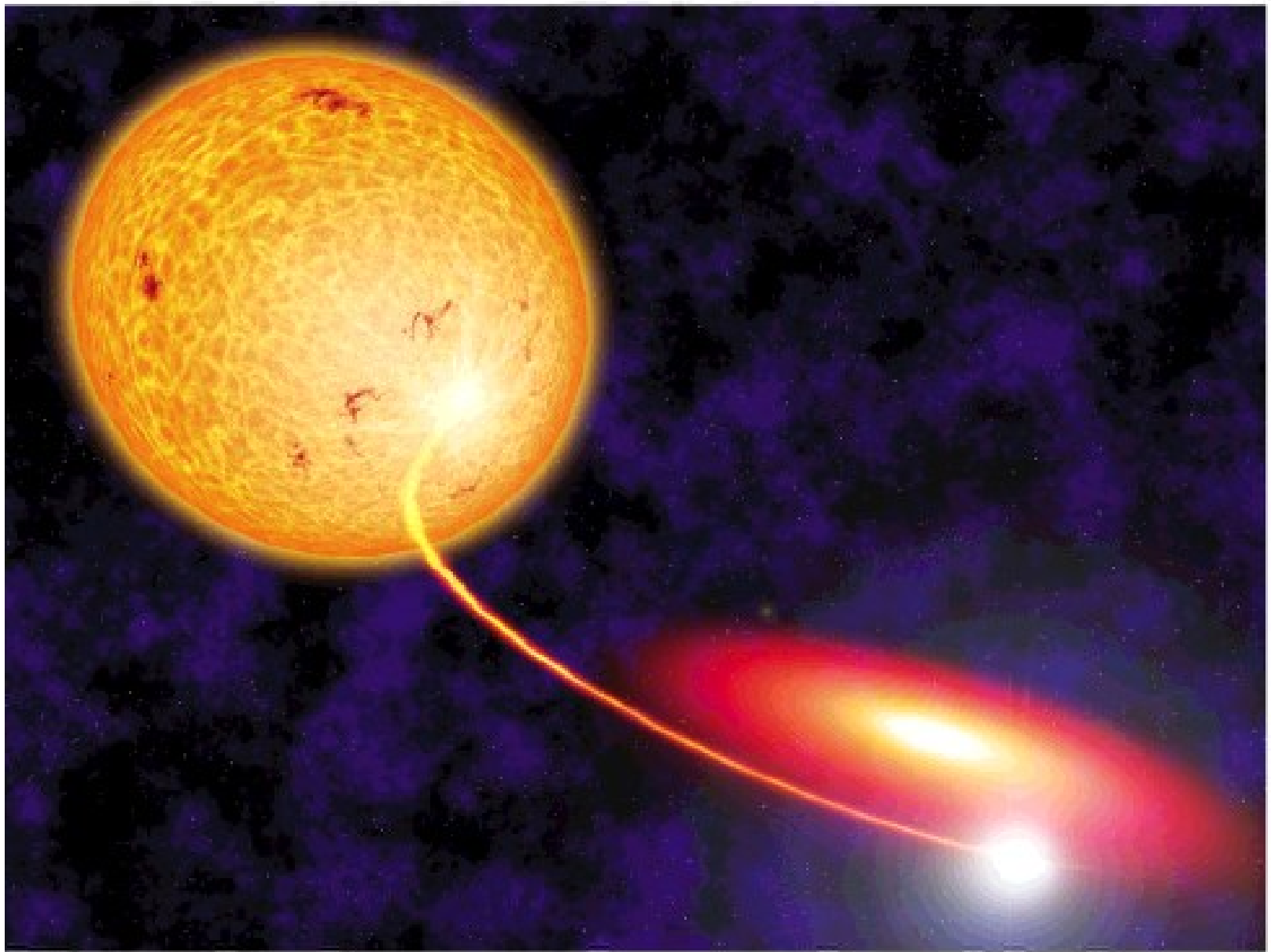




WHAT IS A TYPE IA SUPERNOVA?



- Type Ia supernova occur when a white dwarf, an aging star about the same size of the earth but with roughly the same mass of the sun, a million times more dense than ordinary matter, accumulates too much matter from a companion star.



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In 1987 a nearby supernova gave us a close-up look at the death of a massive star. SN 1987A was a supernova in the Large Magellanic Cloud (a nearby dwarf galaxy). It occurred approximately 168,000 light-years from the earth

Remnant of Crab SuperNova
is a Neutron Star called a
Pulsar which rotates 30 times
a sec emitting a beam of x-ray
at each rotation

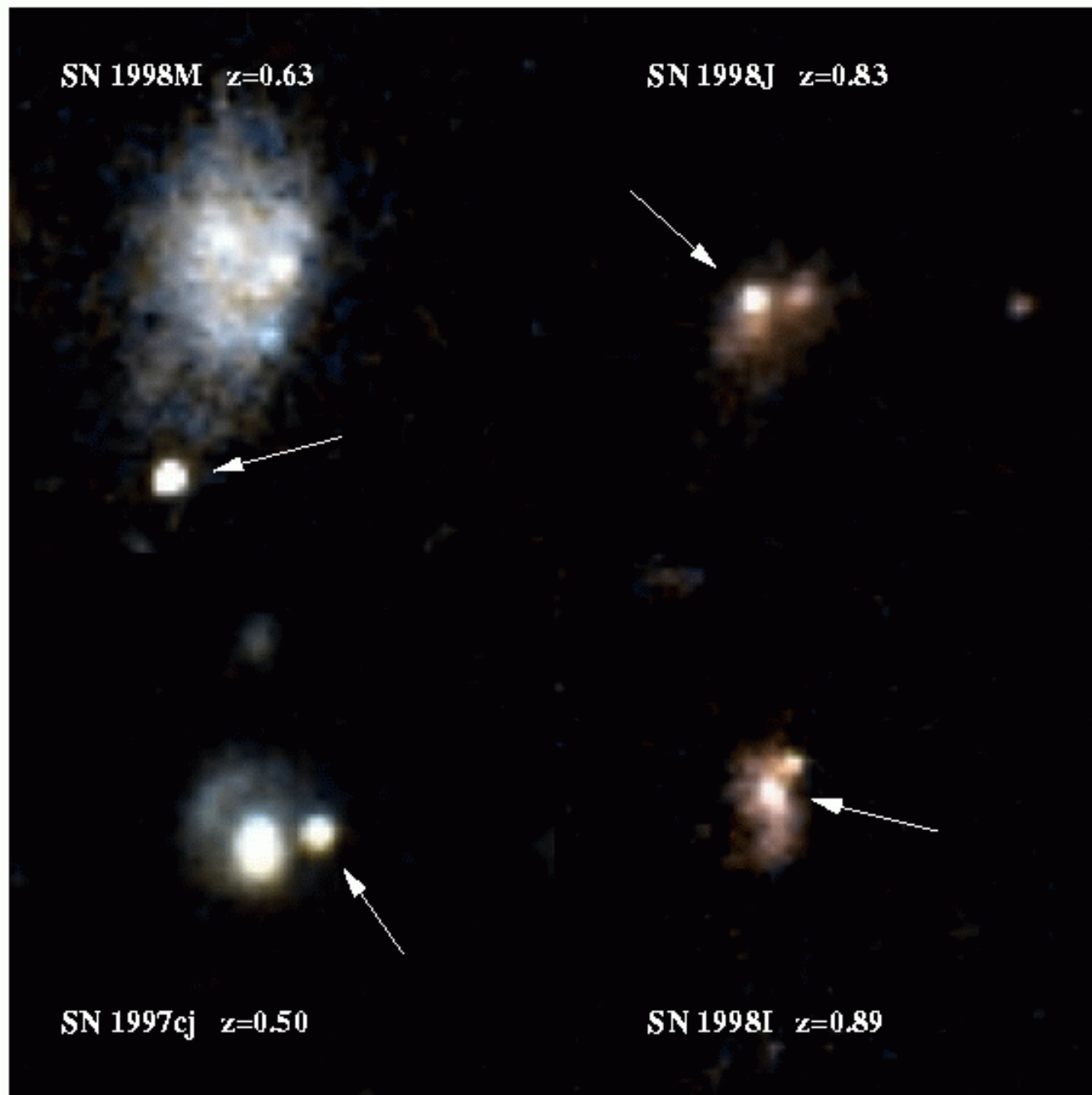


SN 1998M $z=0.63$

SN 1998J $z=0.83$

SN 1997cj $z=0.50$

SN 1998I $z=0.89$





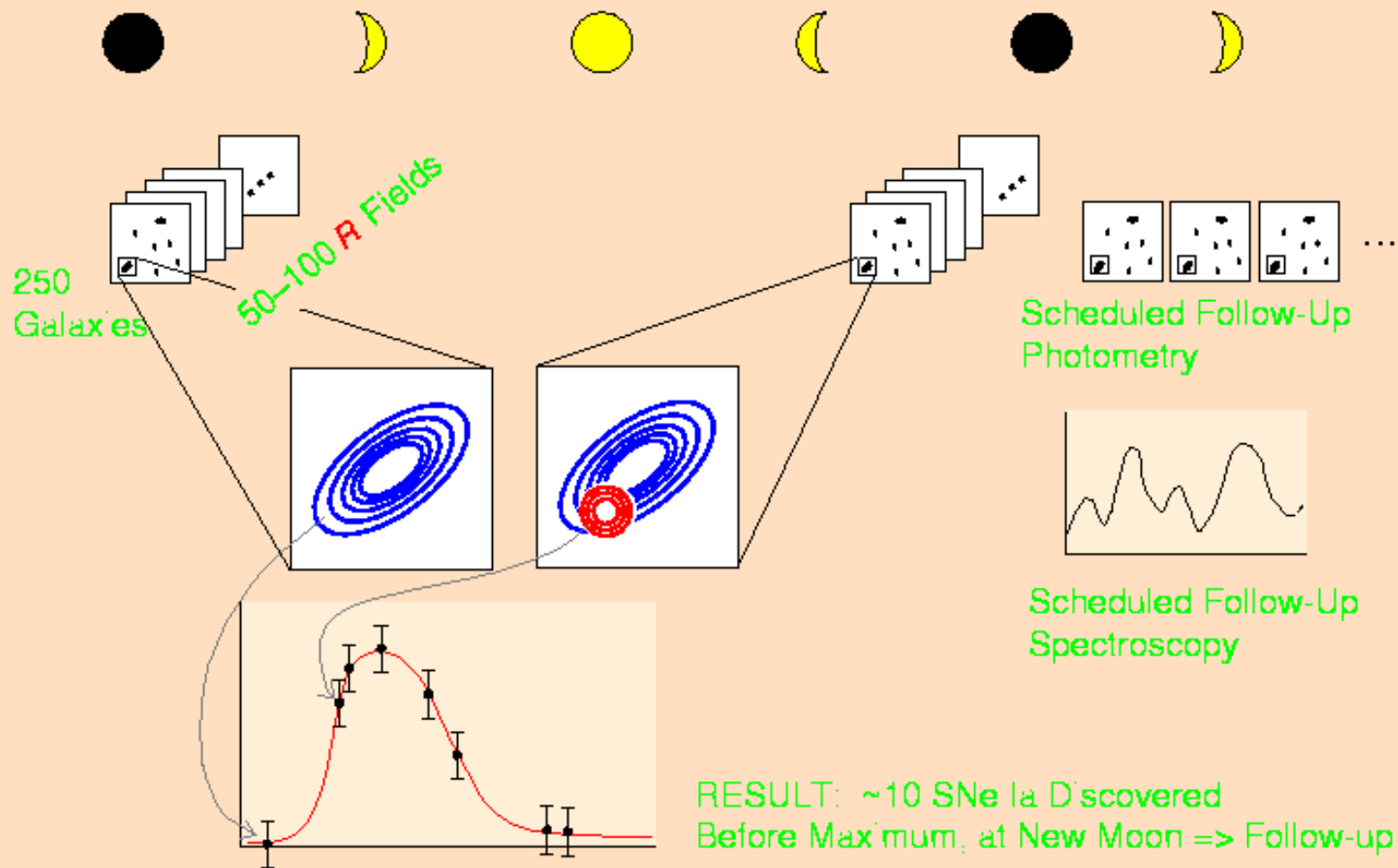


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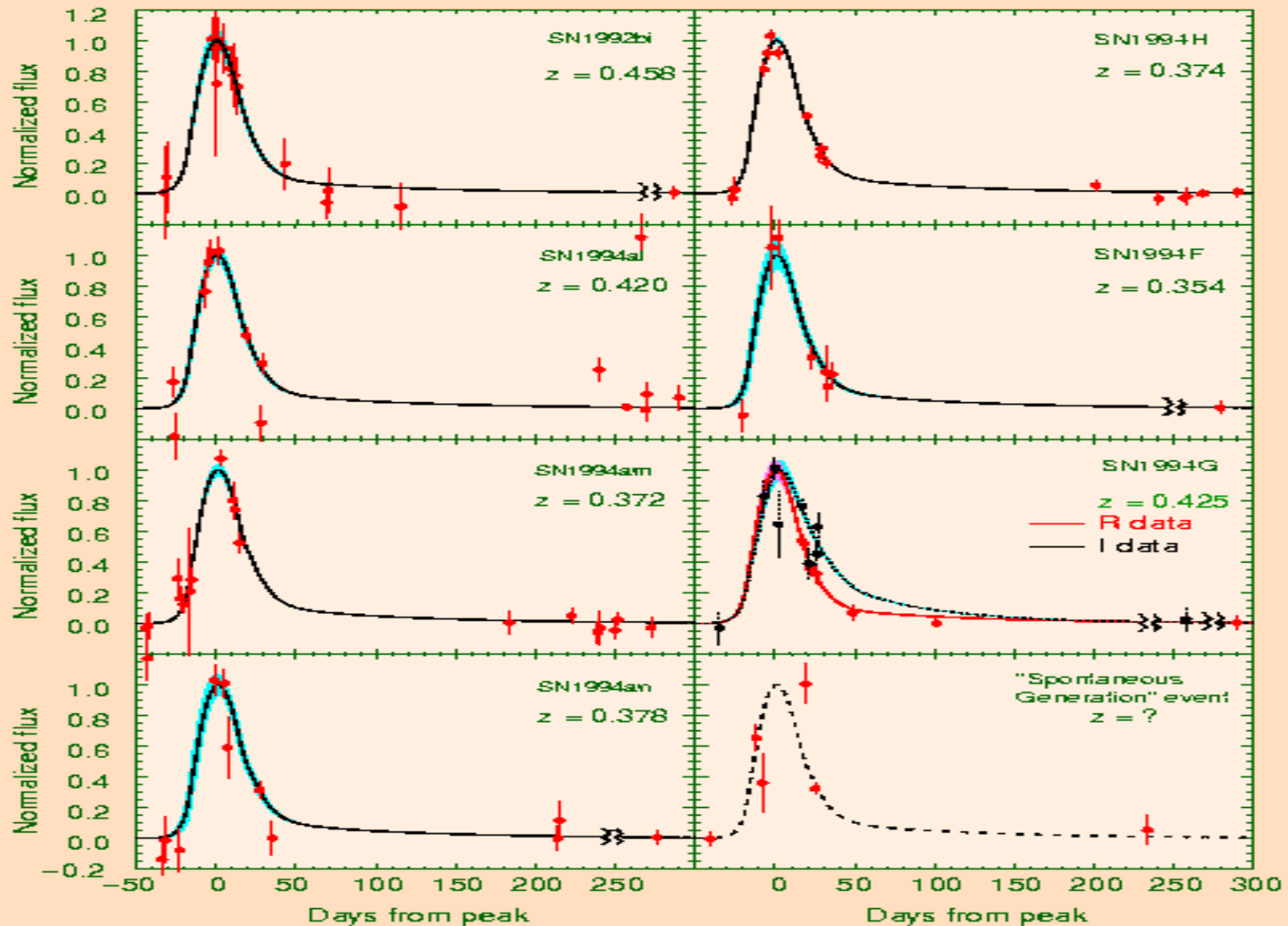
- Just after a new moon, when the sky is dark, we make images of 50 to 100 patches of sky, each containing roughly a thousand distant galaxies. Three weeks later, the same patches are imaged again.

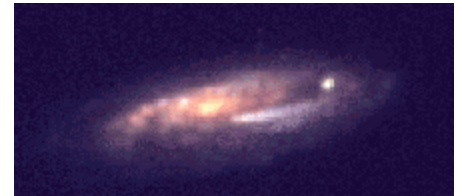
Search Strategy

Perlmutter et al. (1996a)



Light Curves Perlmutter et al. (1996b)





EXPANDING AND ACCELERATING



- The surprising discovery that the universe is *accelerating*, and thus is likely to go on forever, is based on observations of these type Ia supernovae.

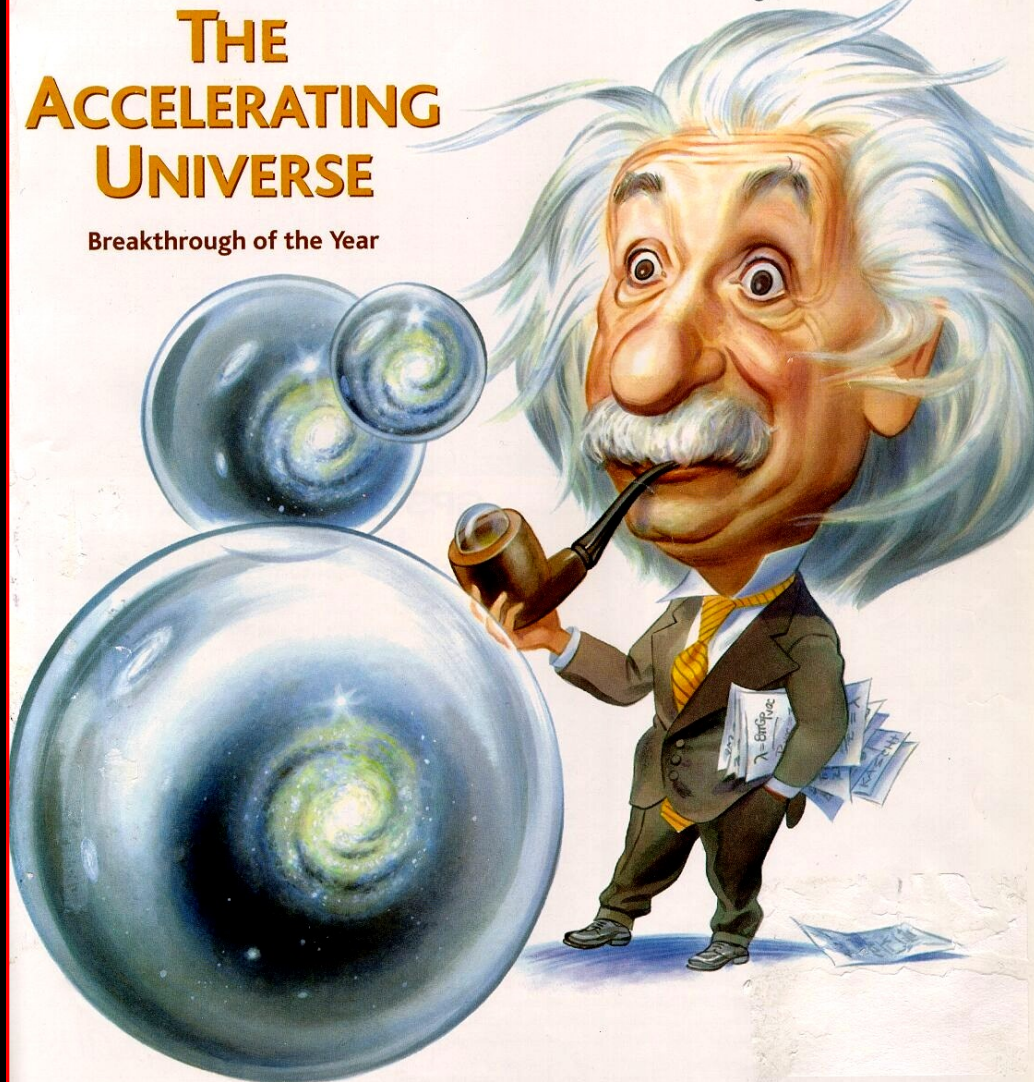
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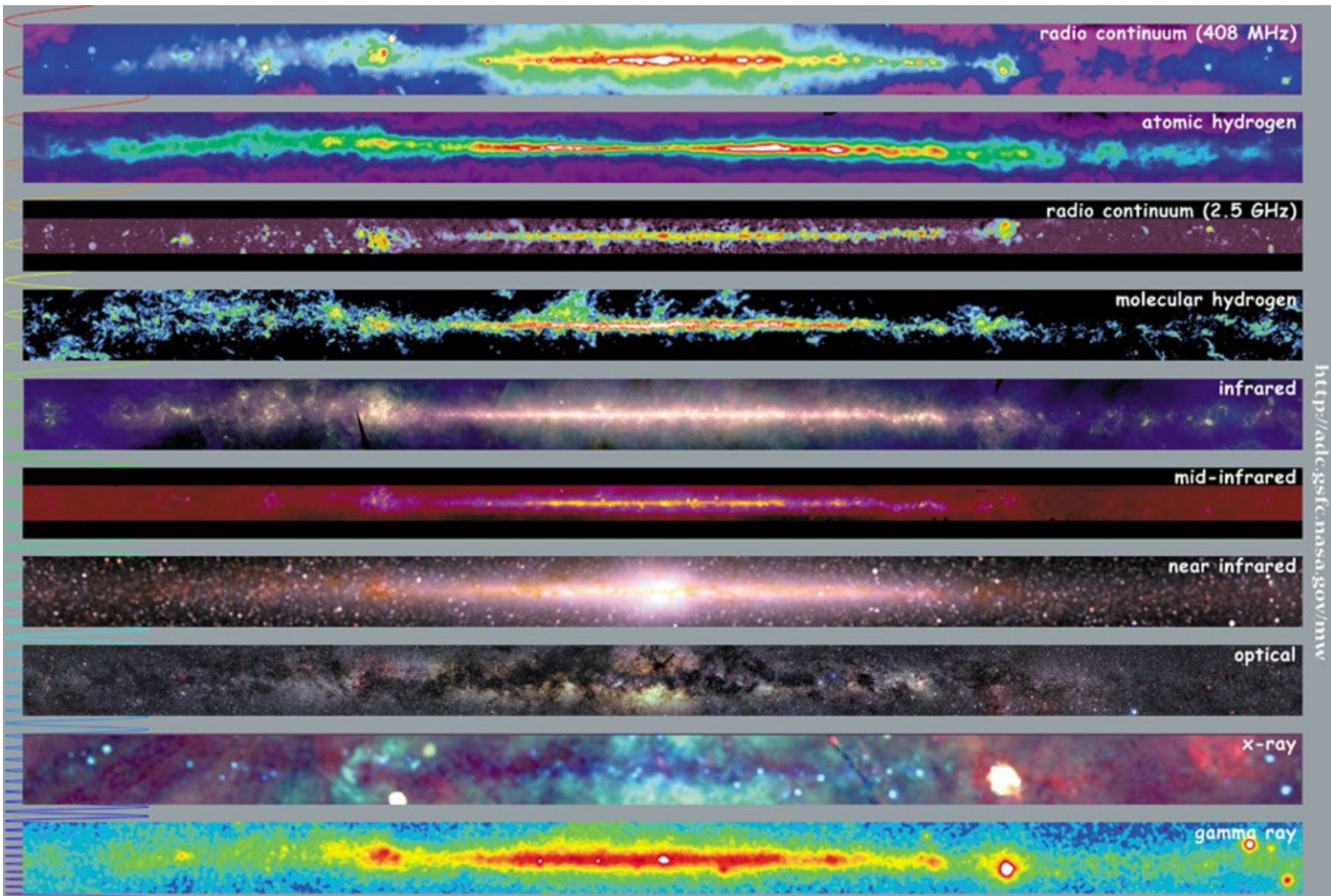
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THE ACCELERATING UNIVERSE

Breakthrough of the Year



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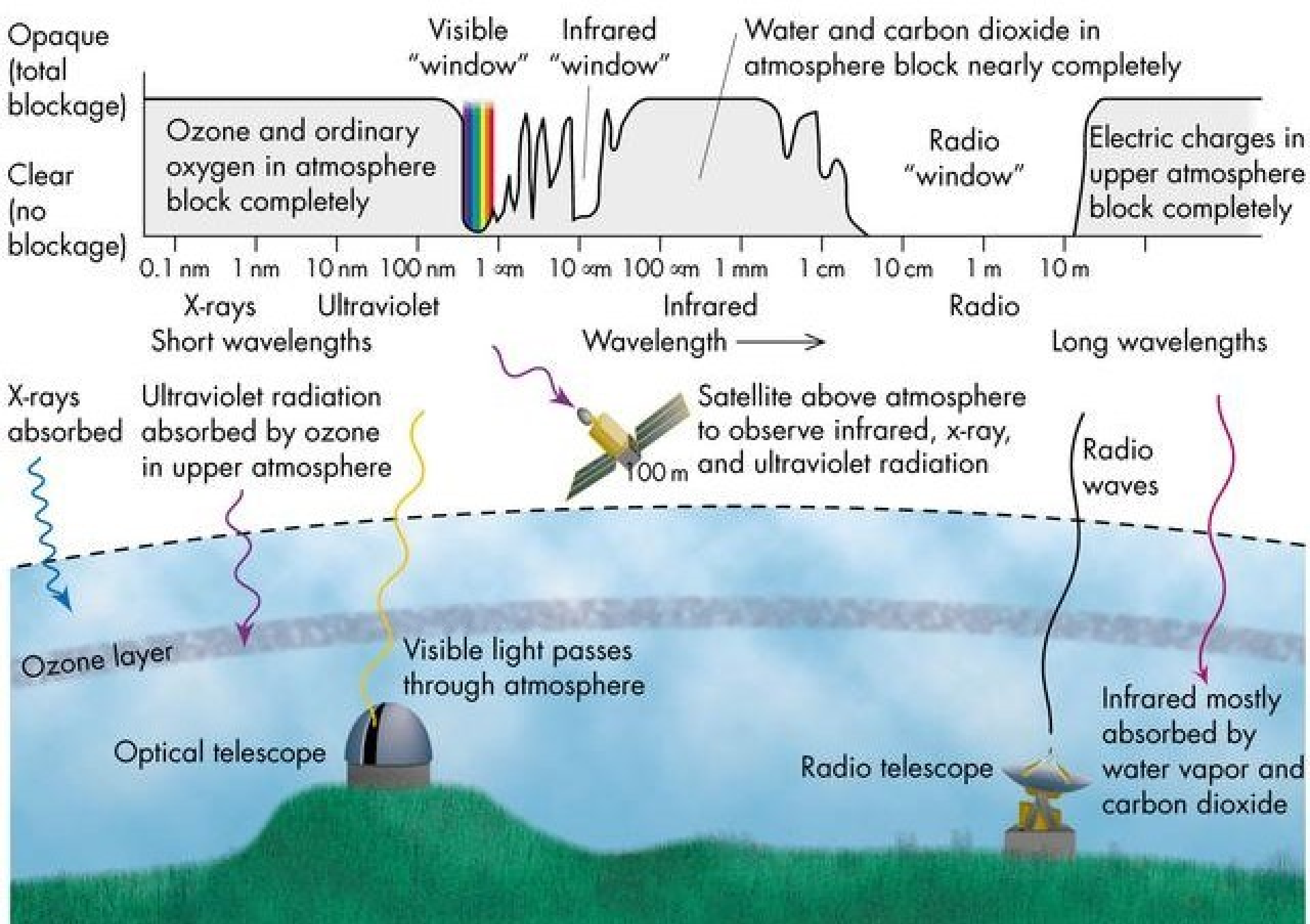


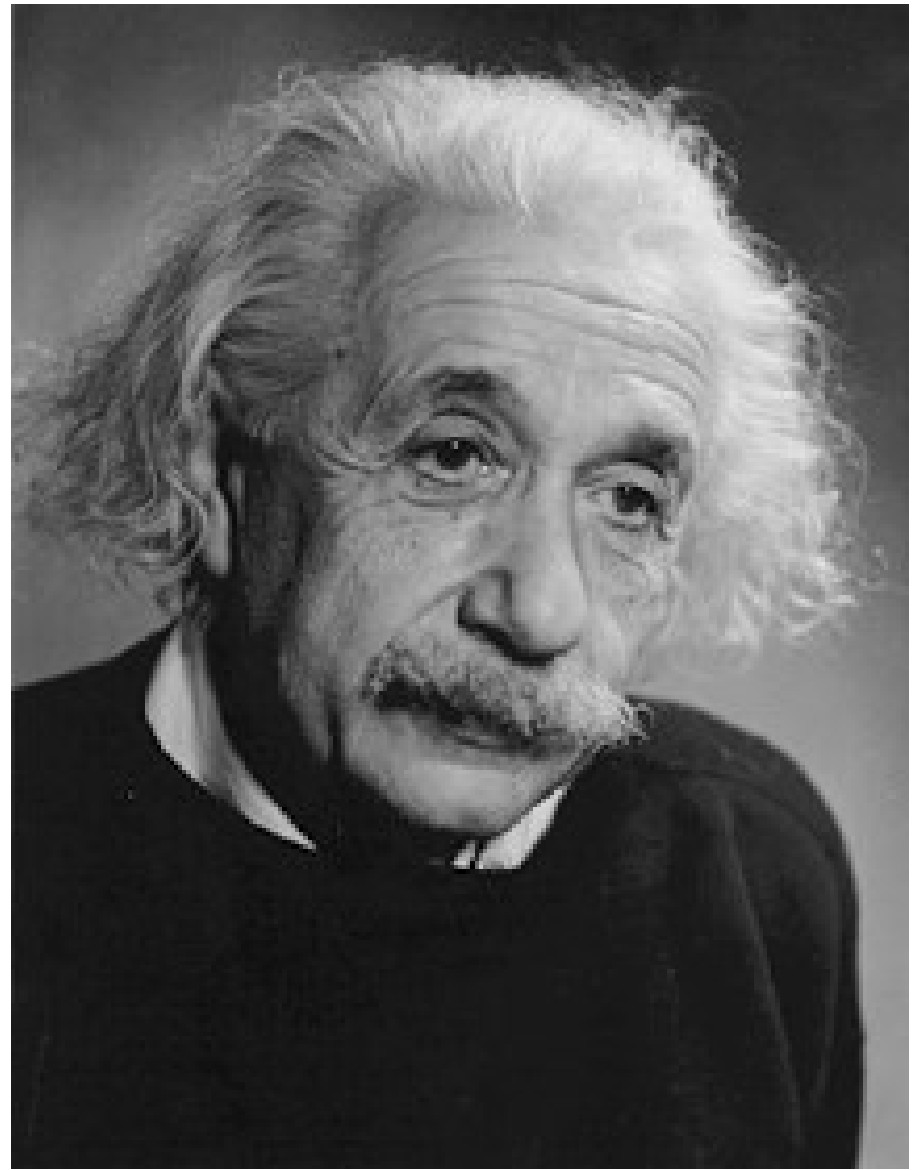
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Multiwavelength Milky Way



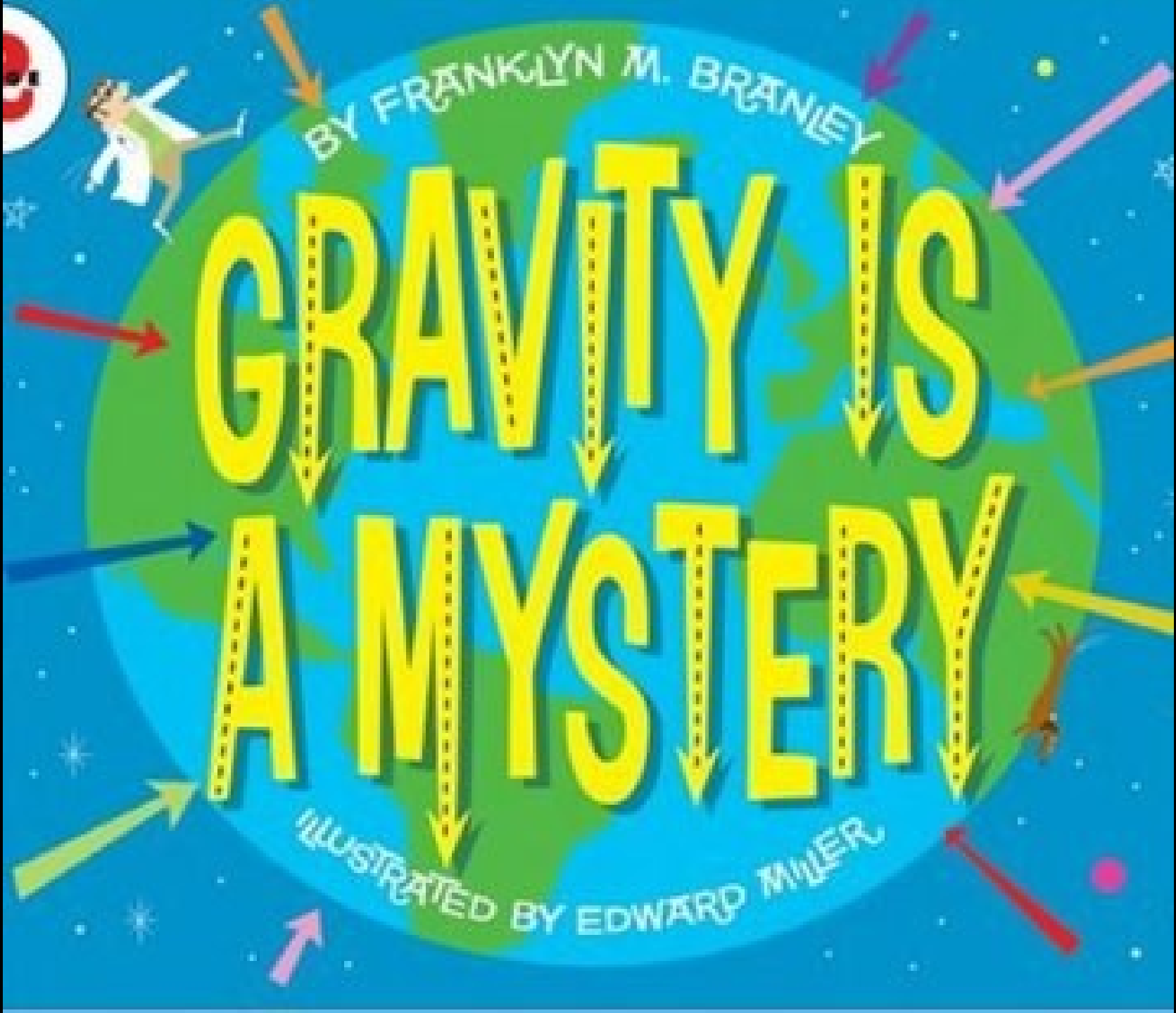


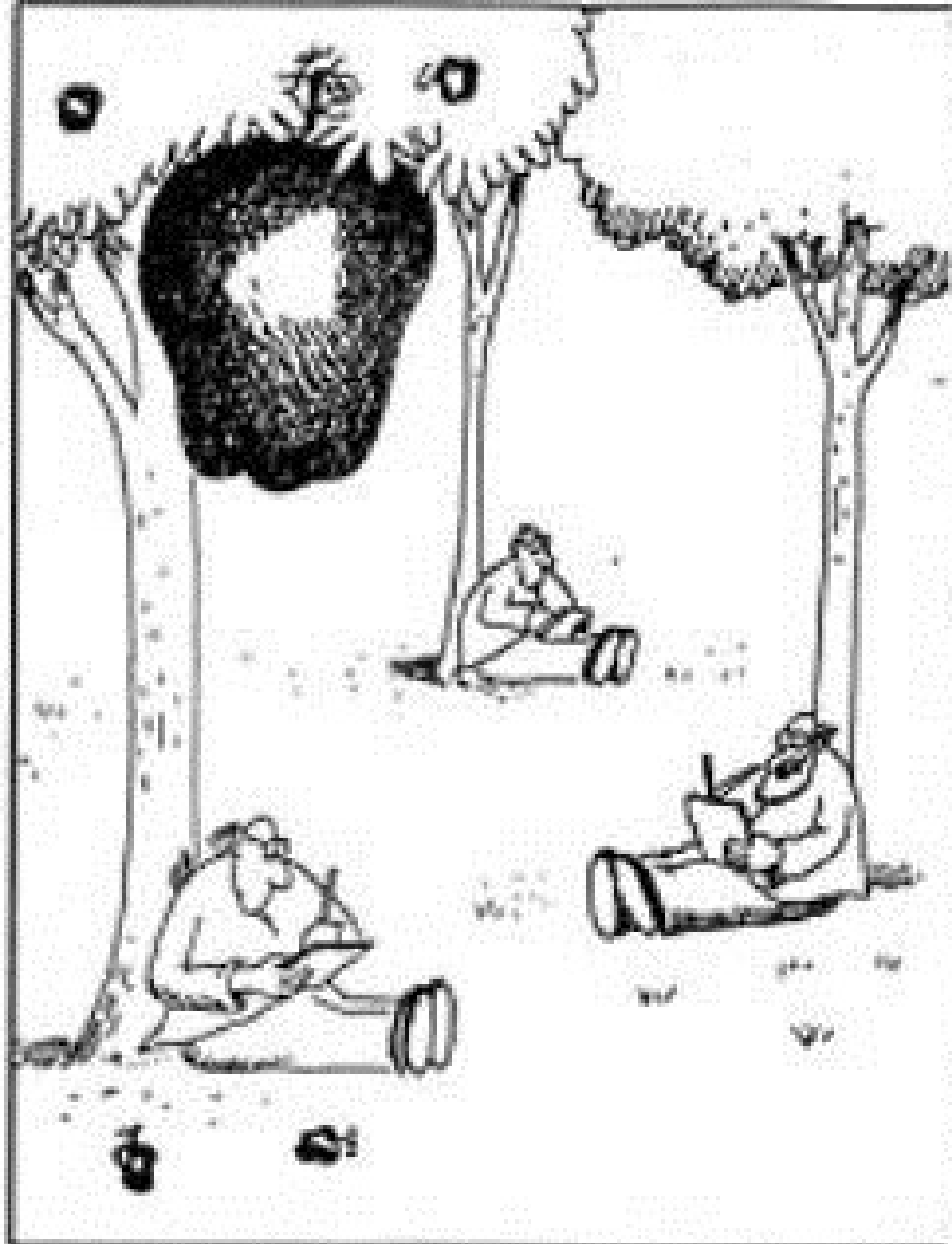


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GRAVITY IS A MYSTERY

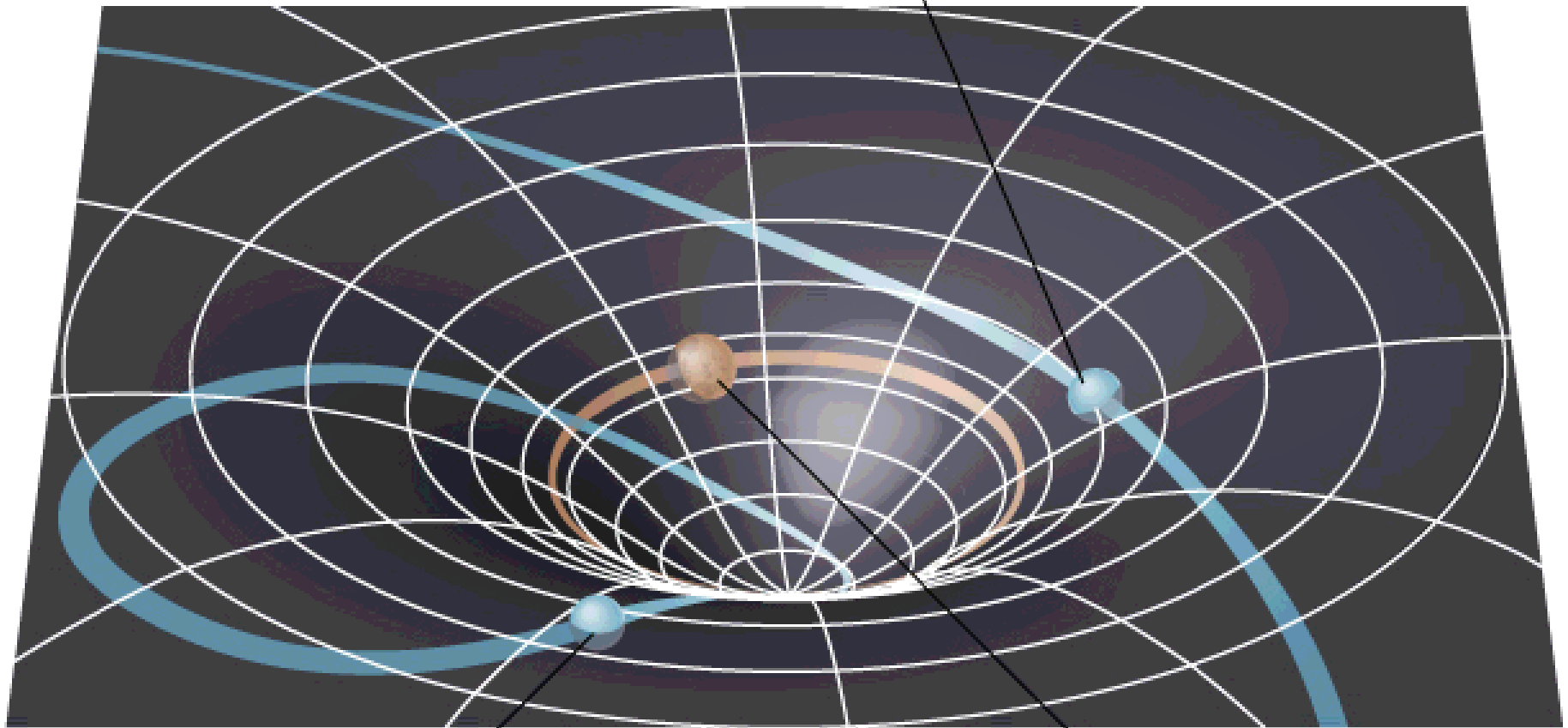
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"Nothing yet. ...How about you, Newton?"

unbound orbit

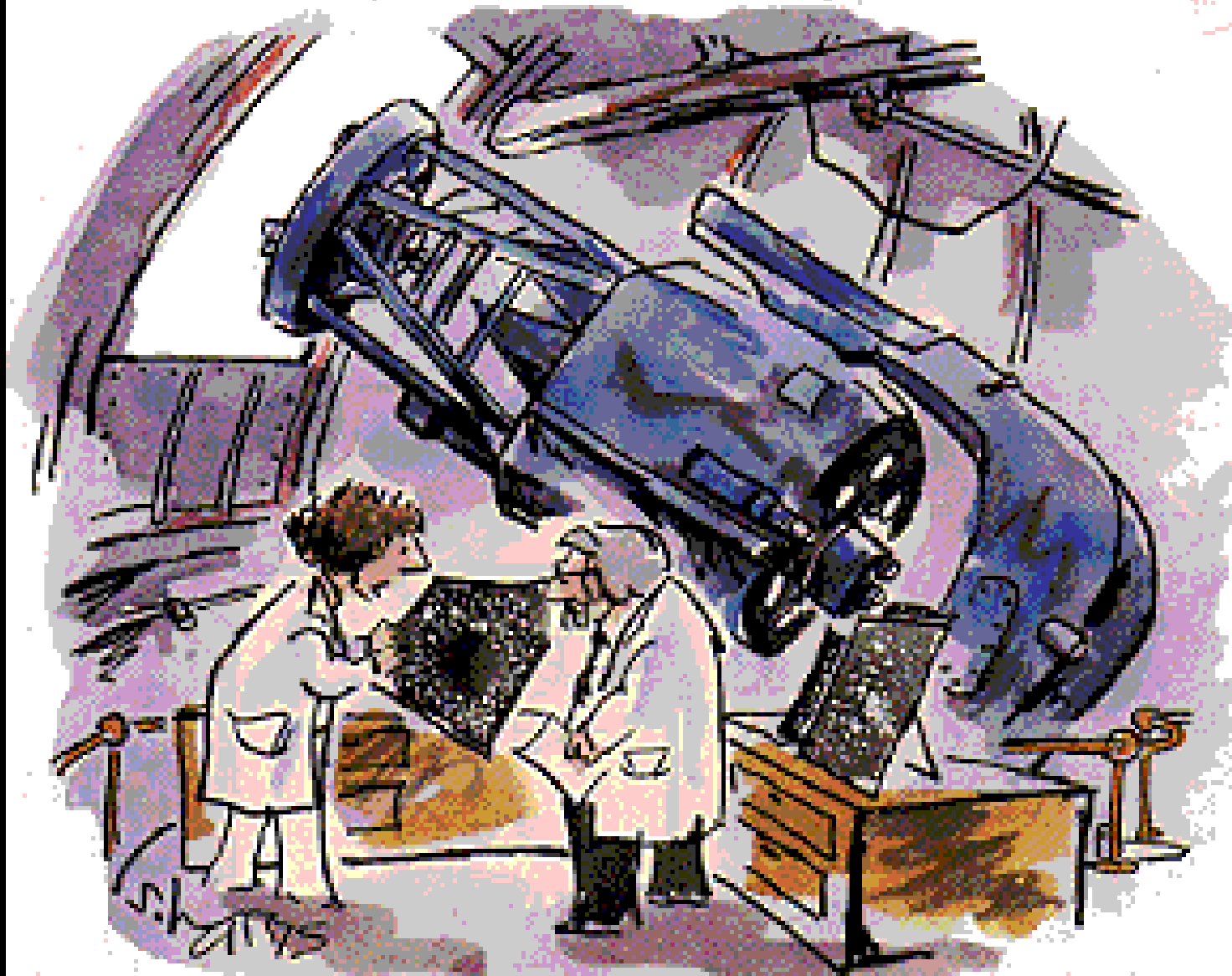


elliptical orbit

circular orbit

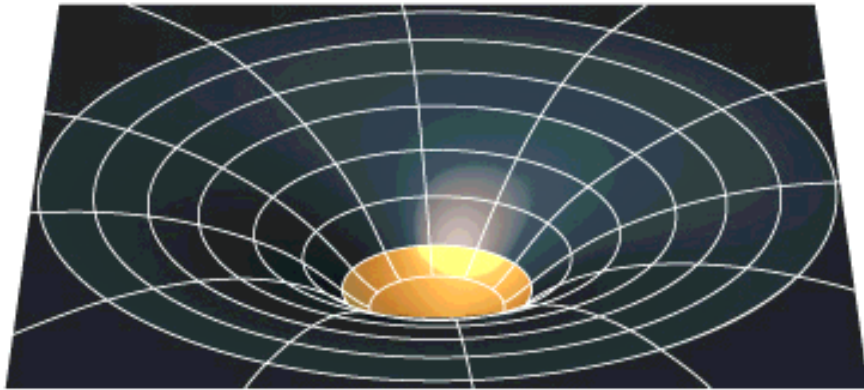
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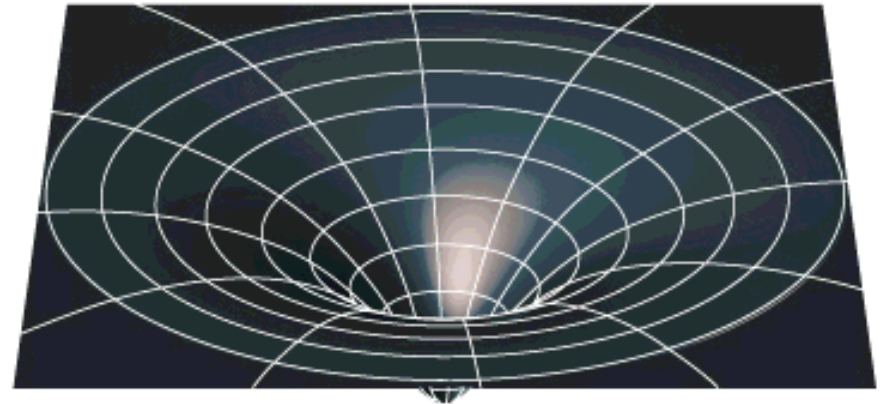


"It's black, and it looks like a hole.
I'd say it's a black hole."

spacetime around the Sun today

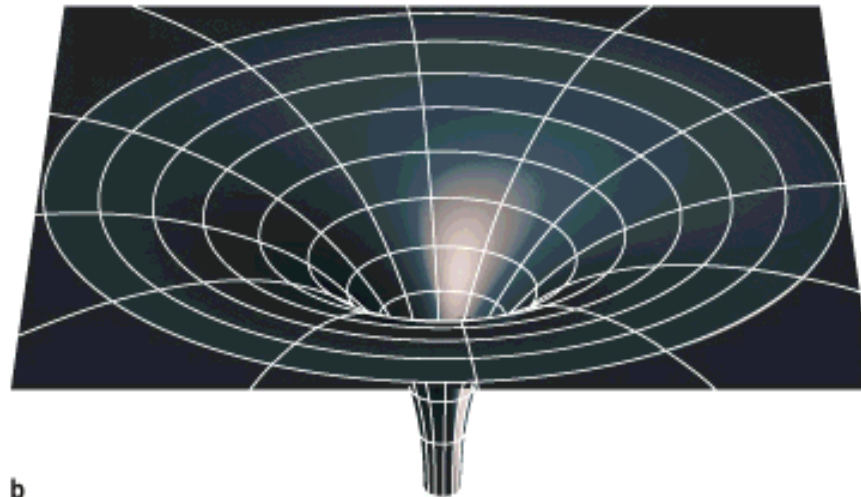


spacetime around the Sun compressed to a white dwarf



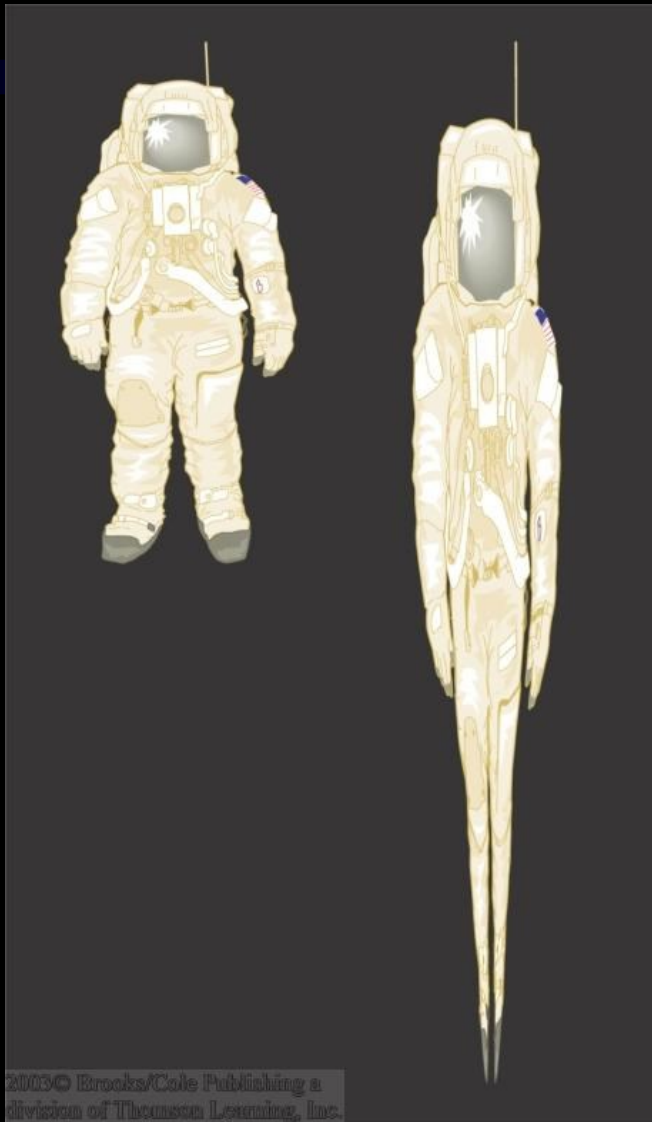
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spacetime around the Sun compressed to a black hole



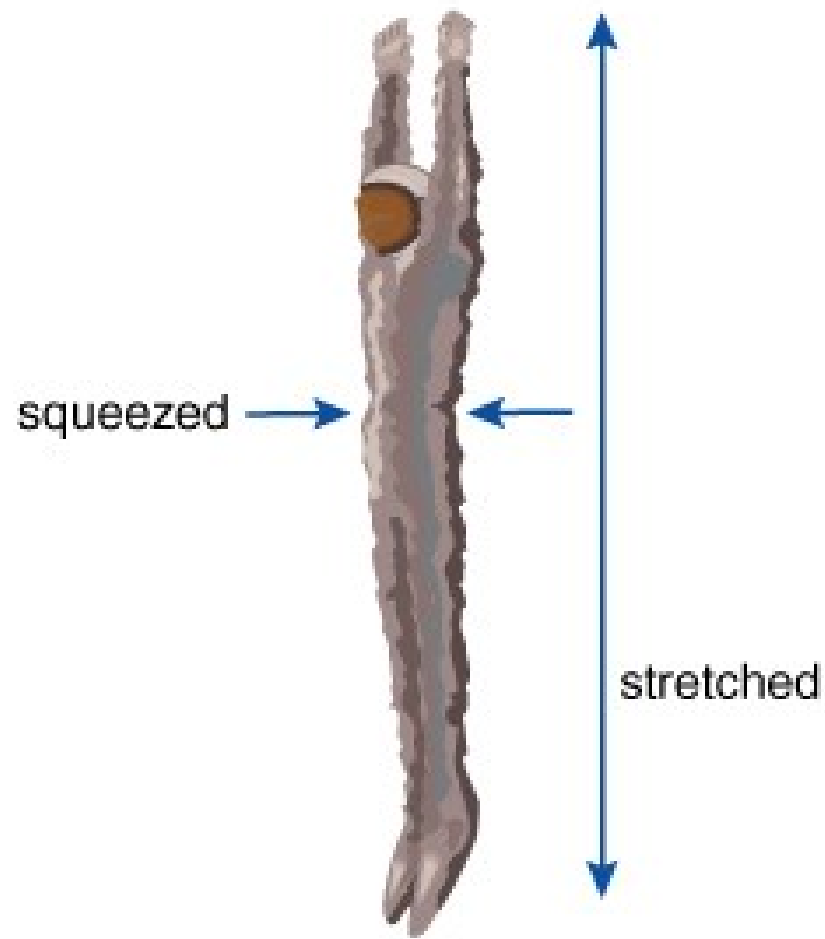
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General Relativity Effects Near Black Holes (2)



An astronaut descending down towards the event horizon of the BH will be stretched vertically (tidal effects) and squeezed laterally.

This effect is called “spaghettification.”





The Butterfly

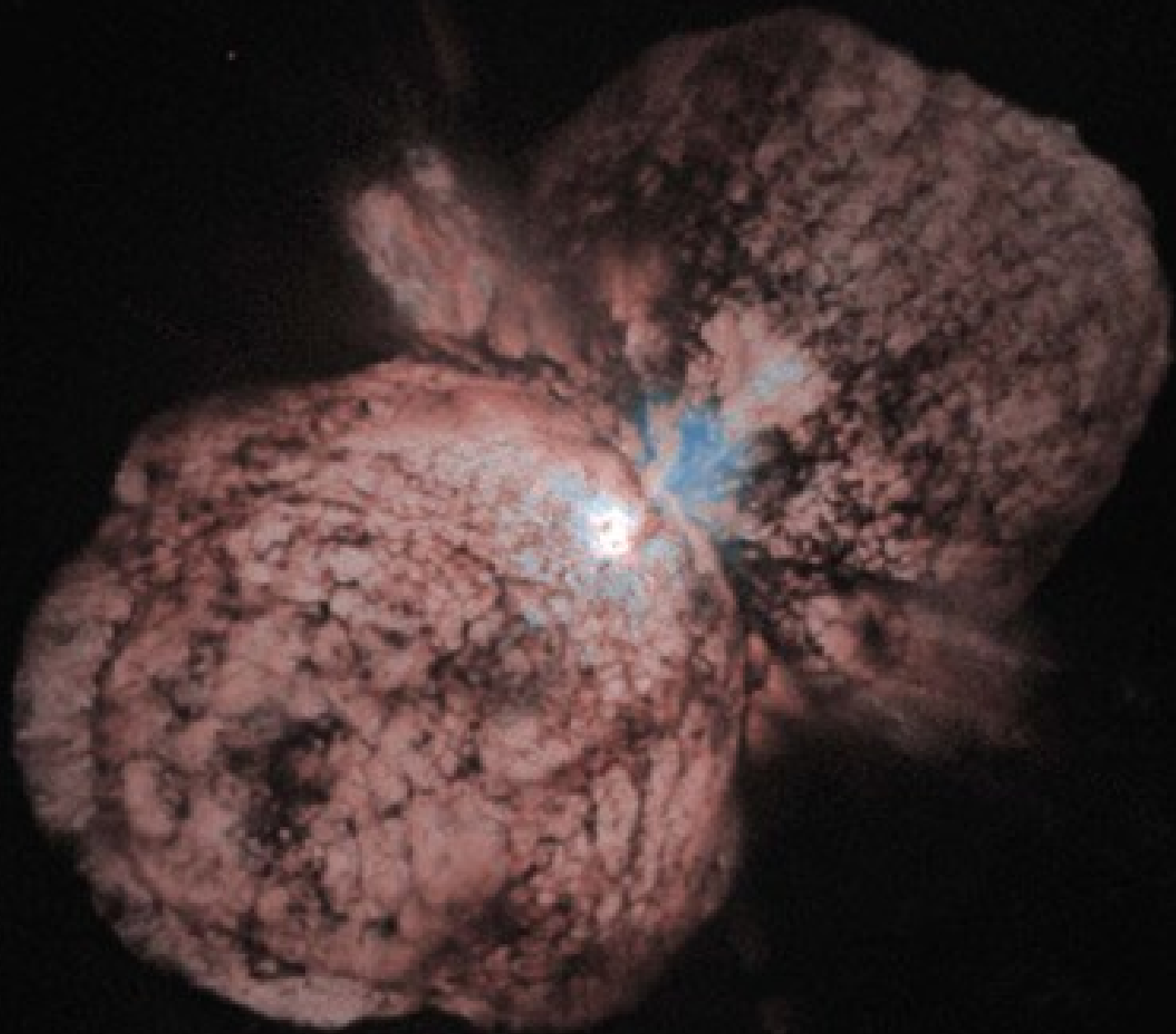
A Lesson on Evolution









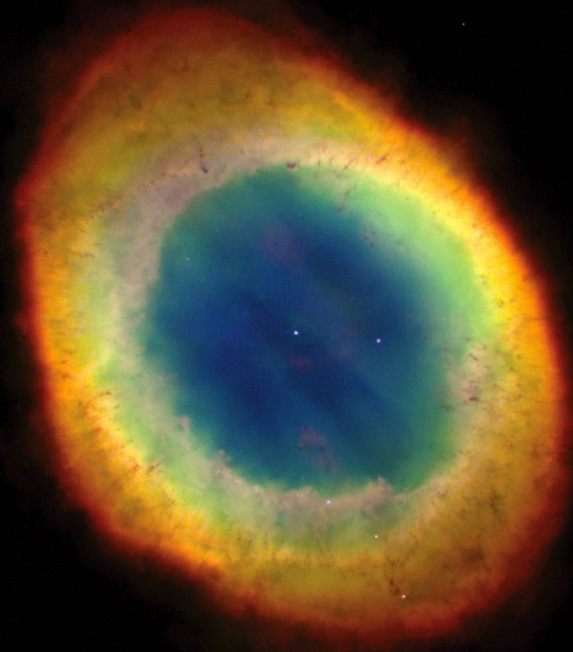




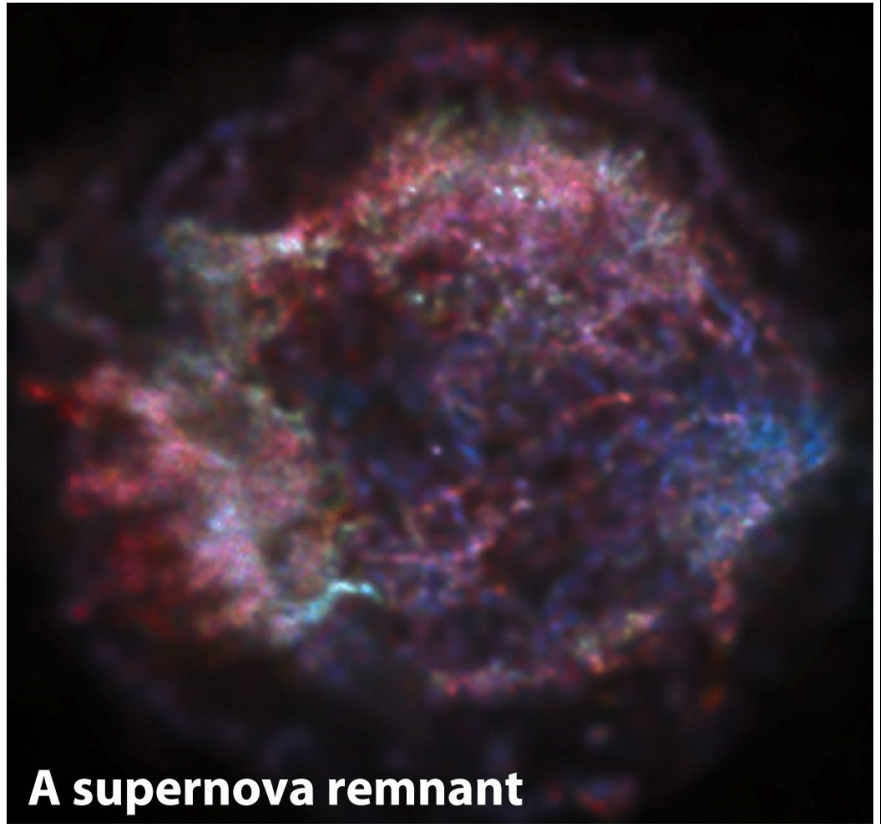


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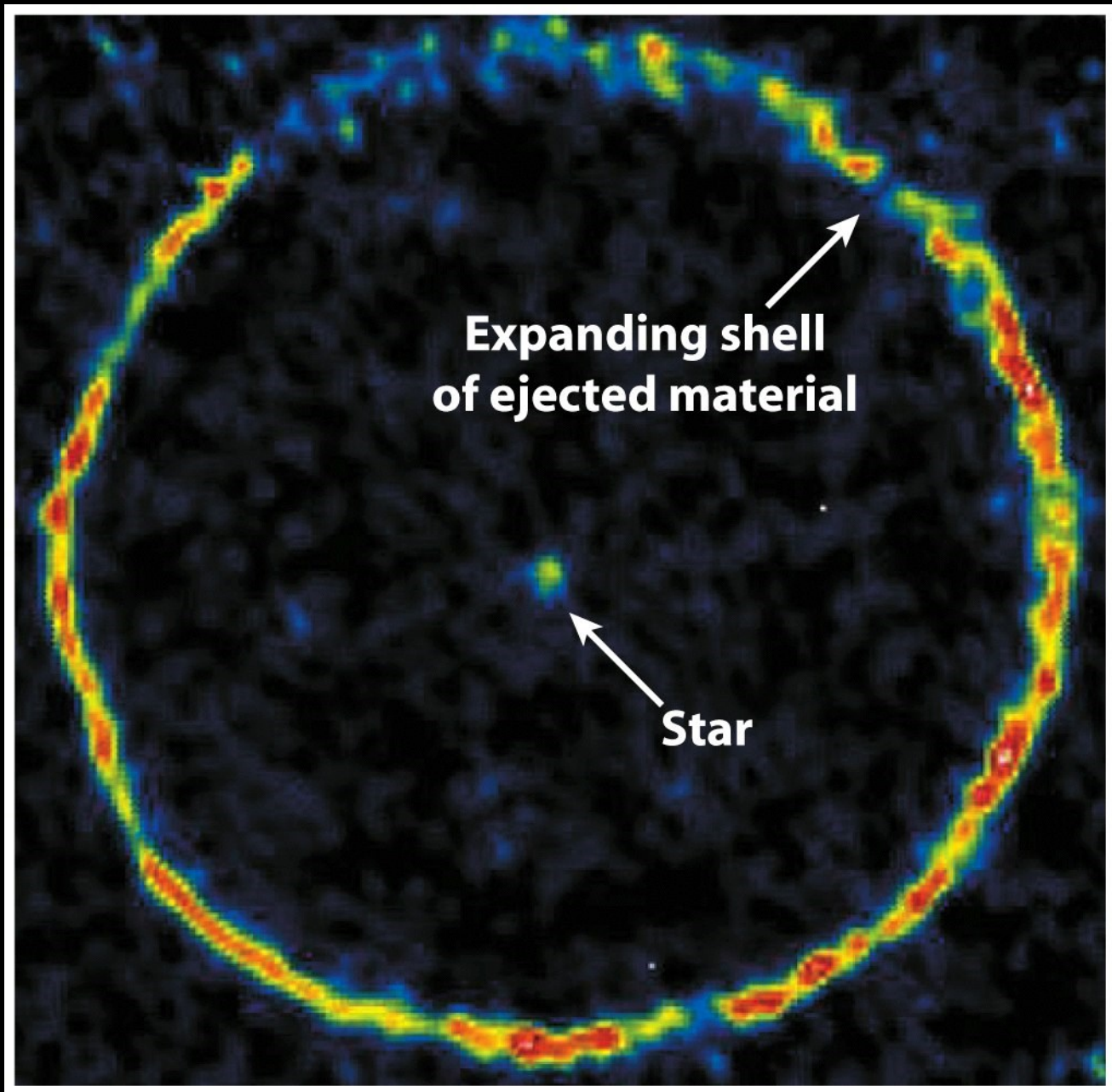
Stellar Evolution: The Deaths of Stars



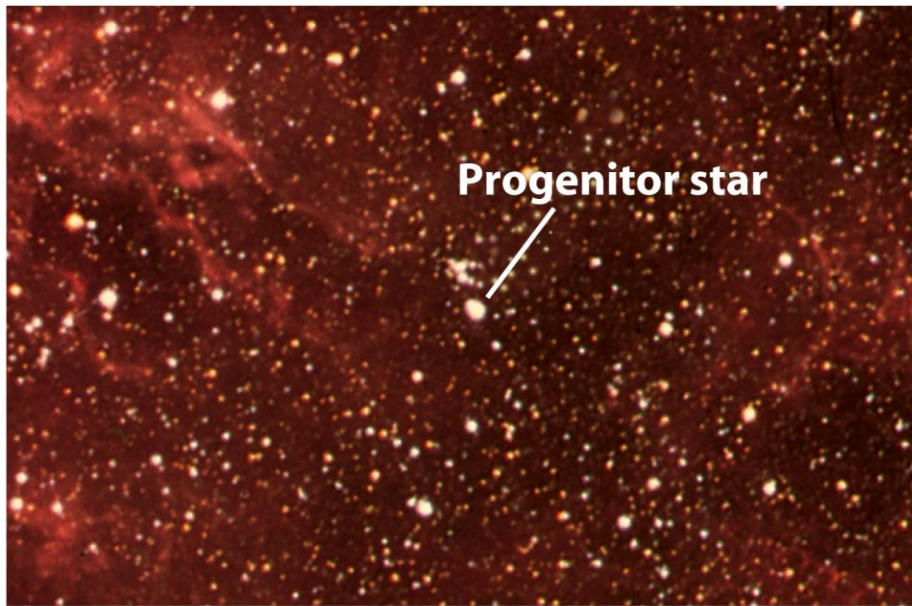
A planetary nebula



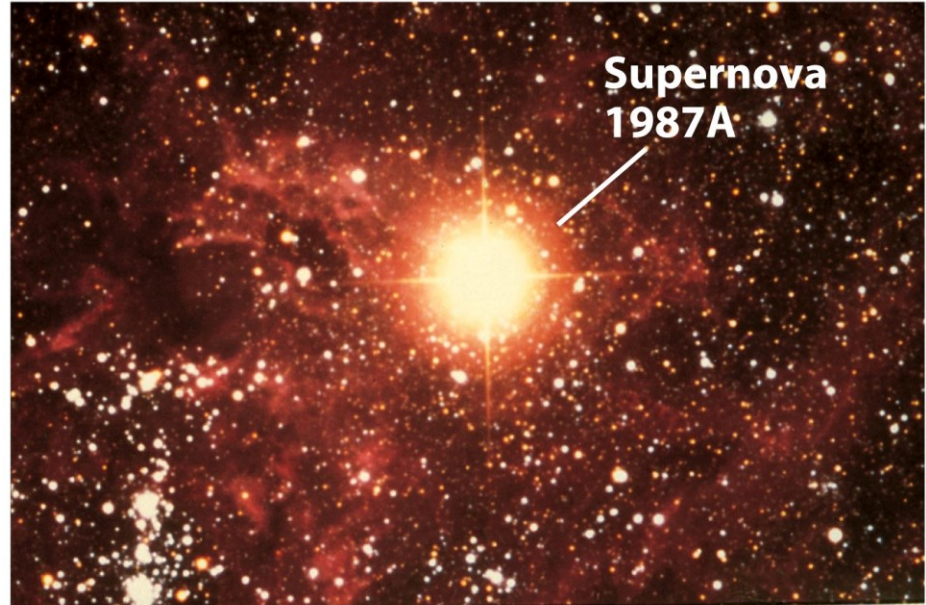
A supernova remnant



In 1987 a nearby supernova gave us a close-up look at the death of a massive star



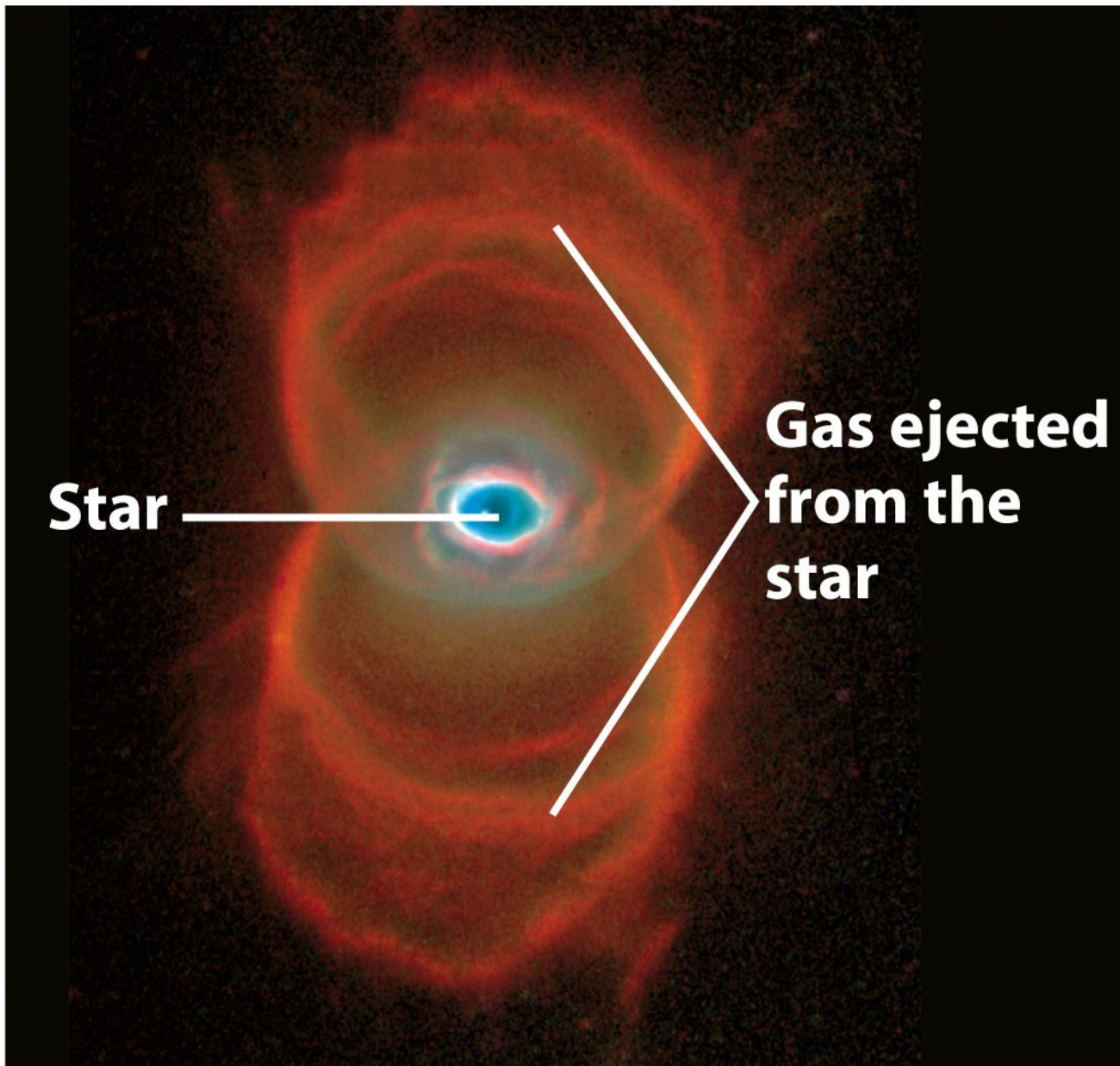
Before the star exploded

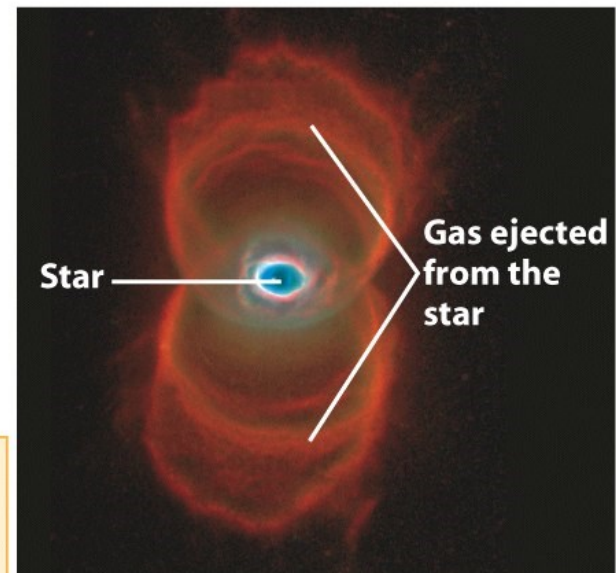
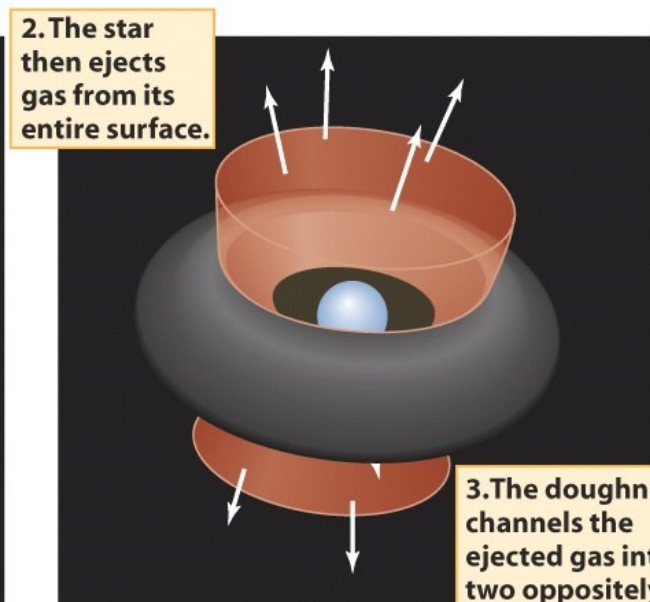
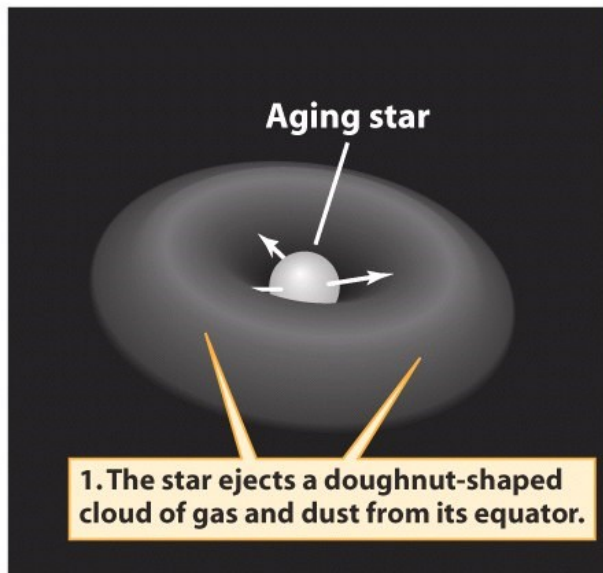


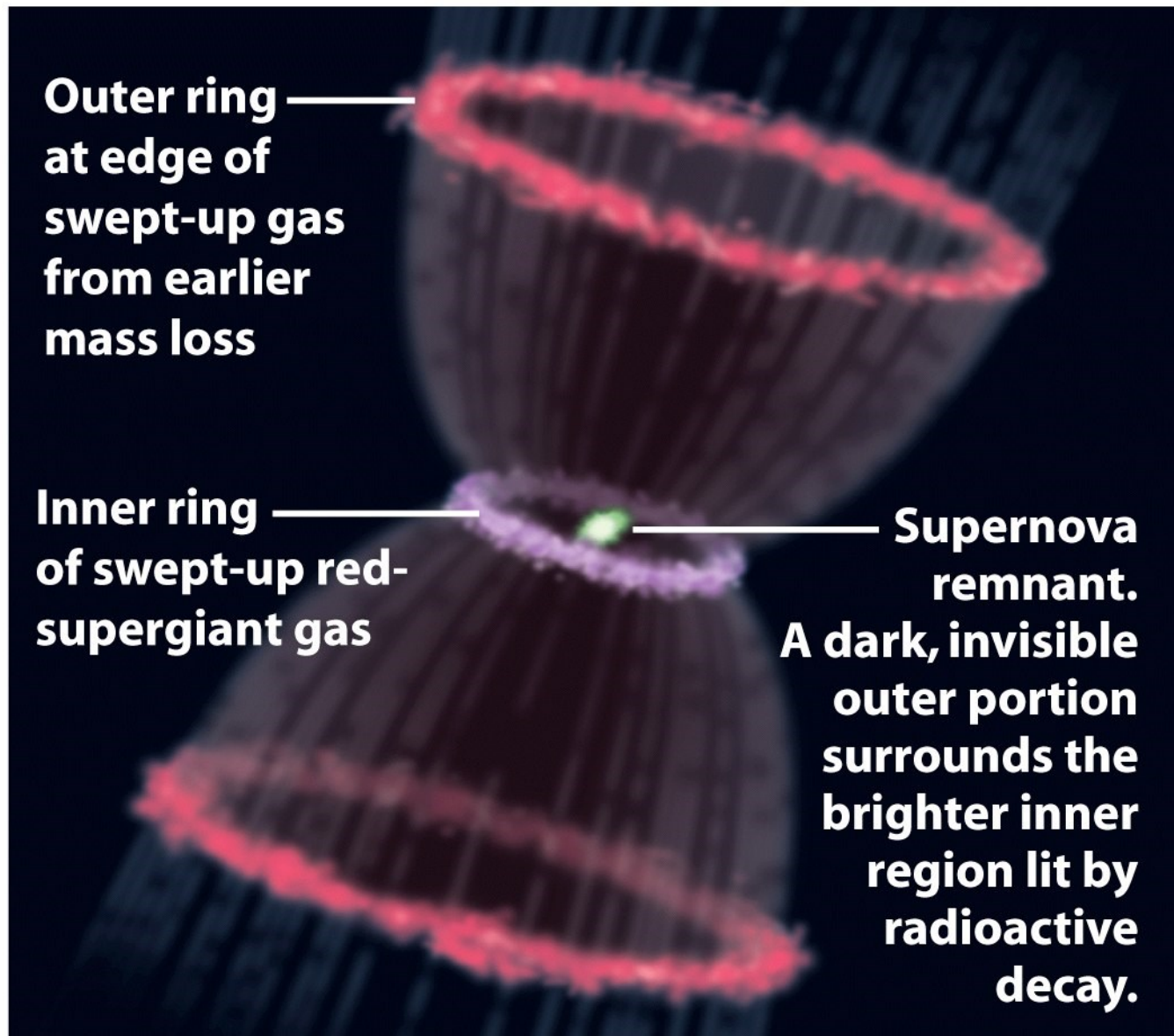
After the star exploded

Star

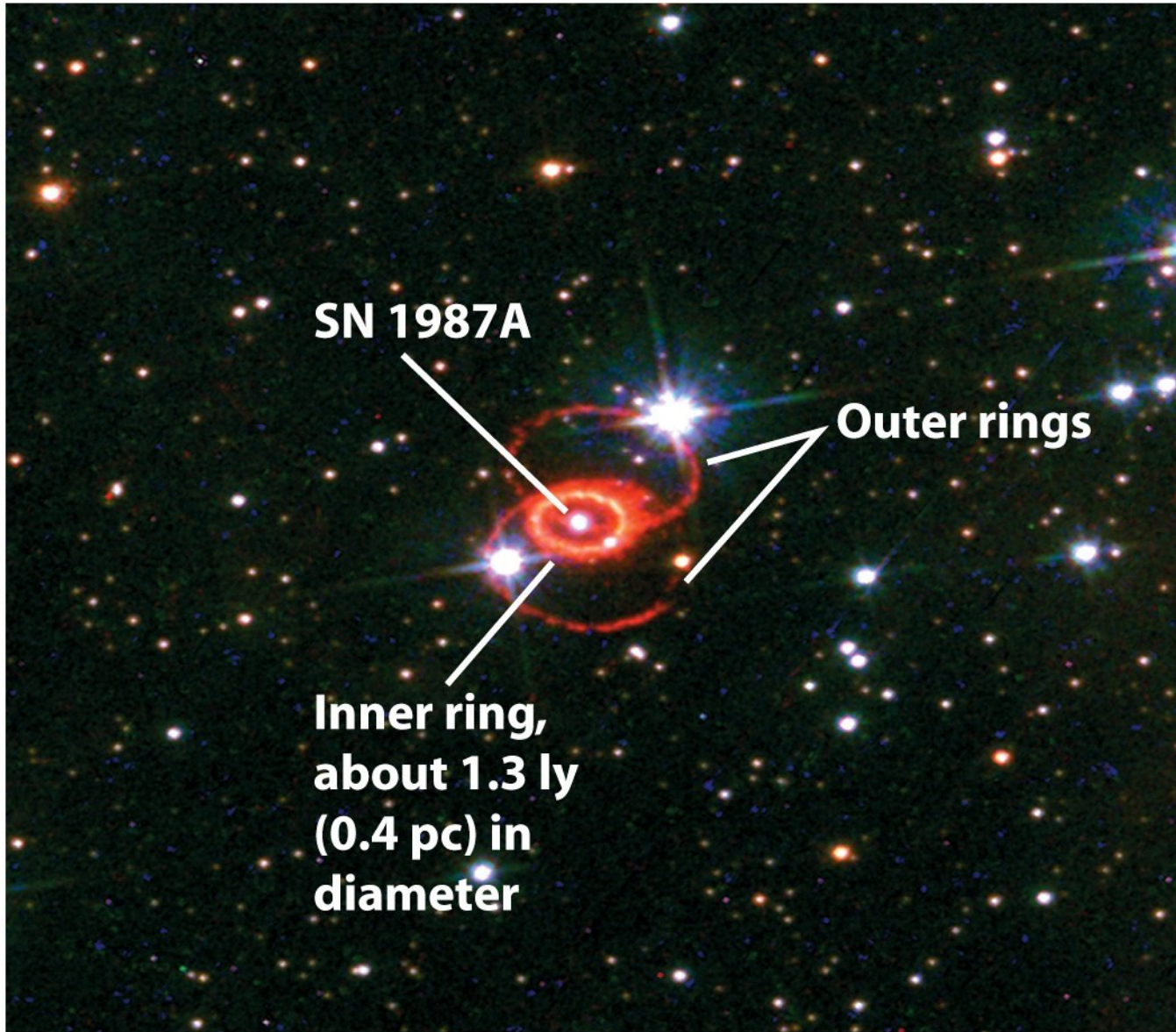
**Gas ejected
from the
star**







An explanation of the rings



SN 1987A

Outer rings

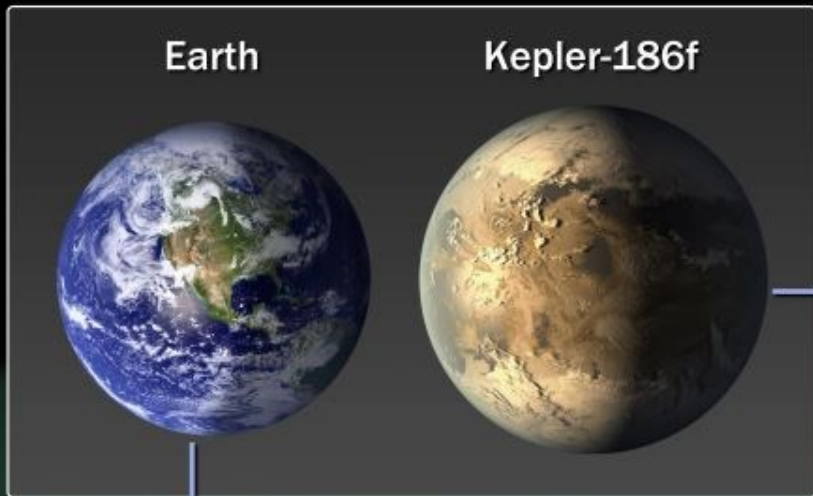
**Inner ring,
about 1.3 ly
(0.4 pc) in
diameter**

Supernova 1987A seen in 1996



COSMOLOGY MARCHES ON





Kepler-186 System



Solar System

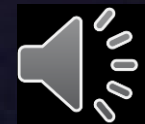
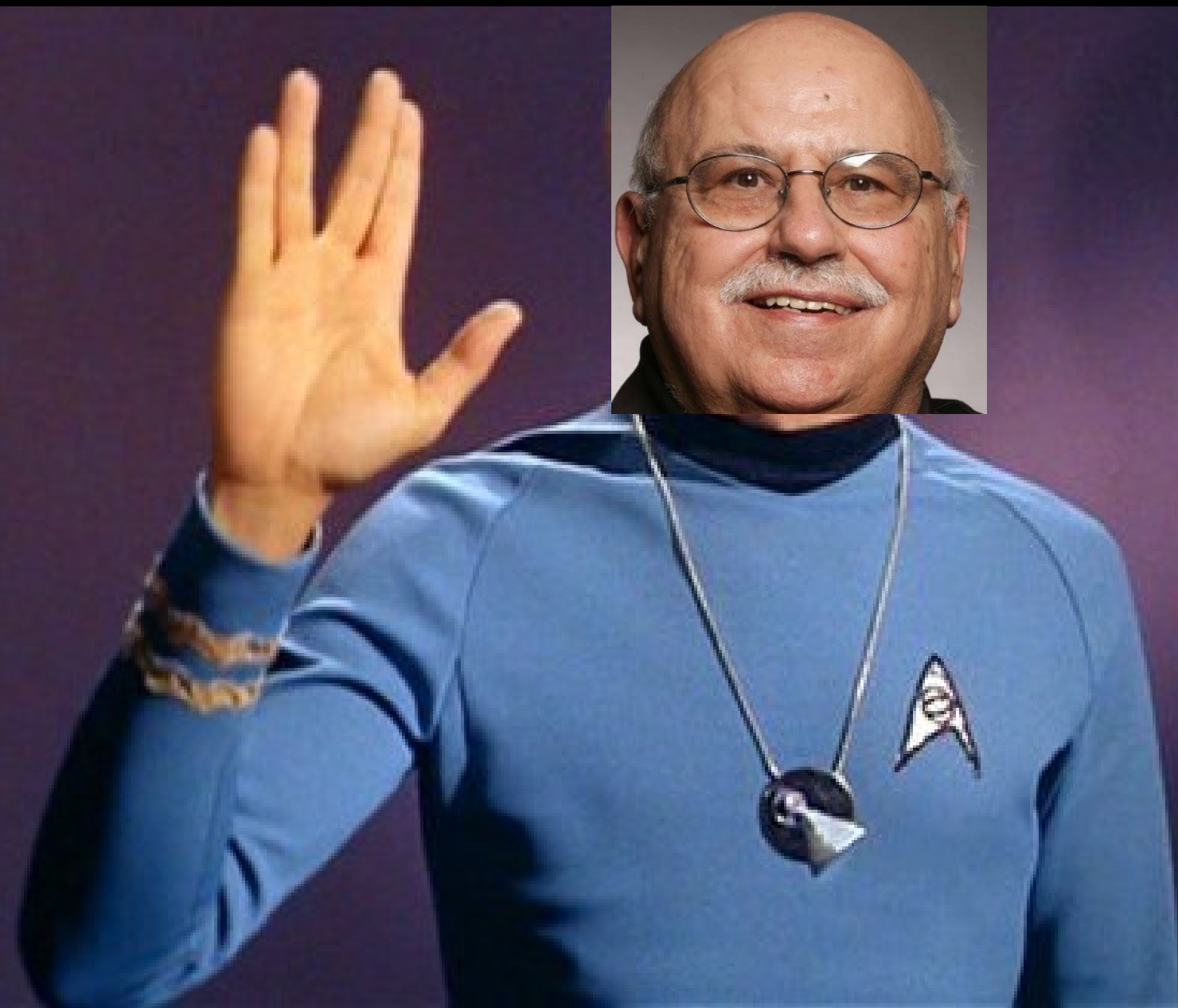
Earth Venus Mercury

The diagram shows a central yellow star with three concentric white elliptical orbits. The orbits are labeled 'Mercury', 'Venus', and 'Earth' from innermost to outermost. A thin blue line connects the 'Earth' orbit to the Earth planet in the inset image.

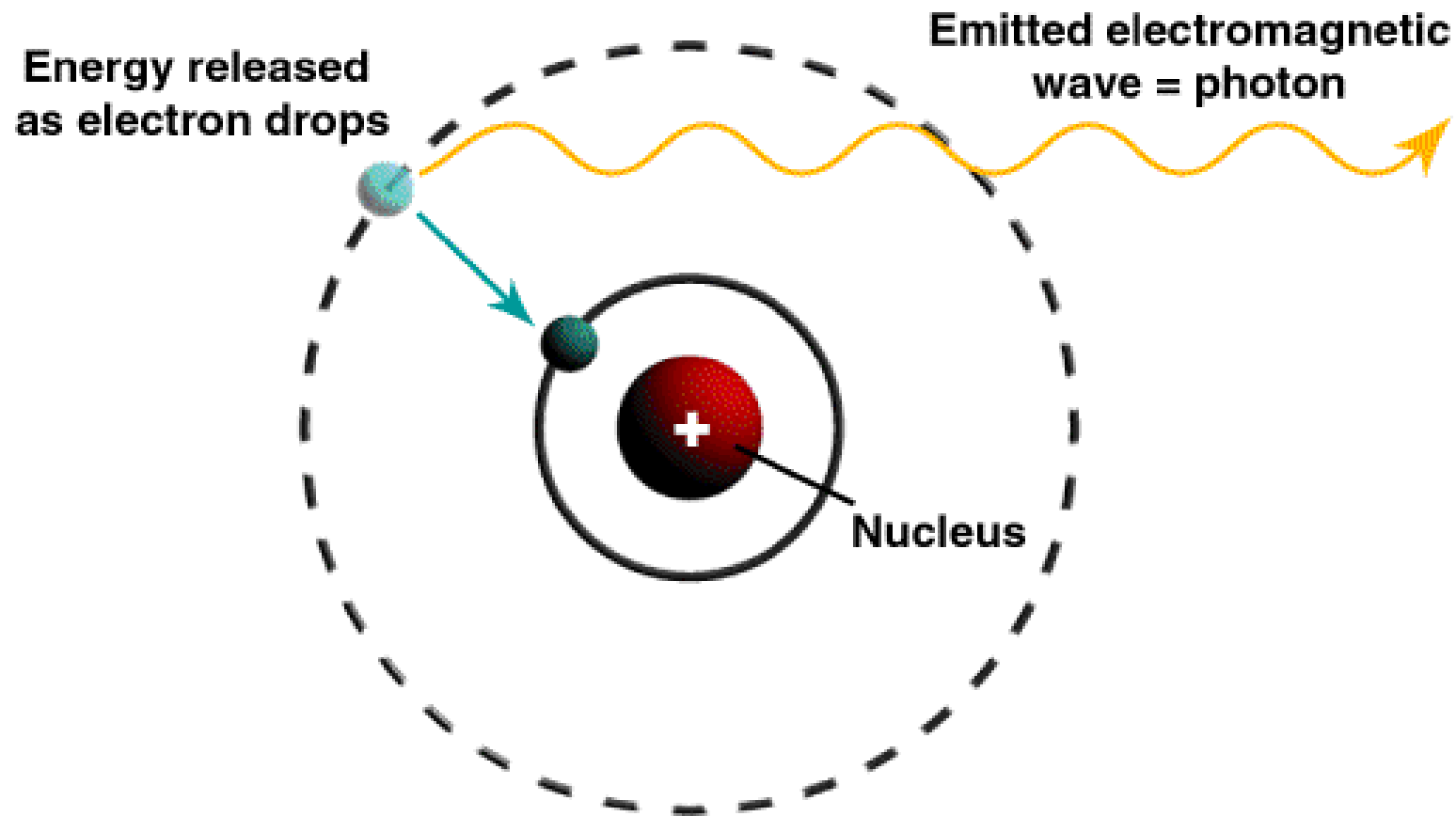
Planets and orbits to scale

Maybe...
We Don't Believe In You!



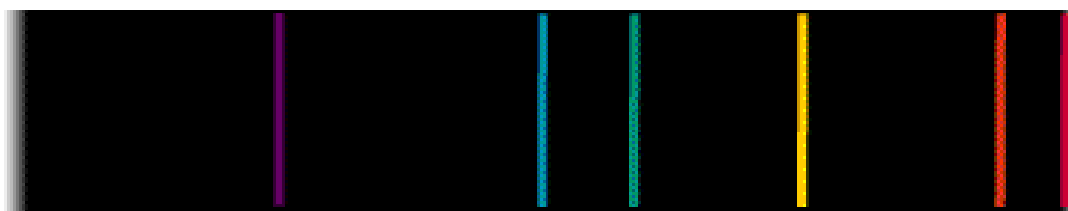
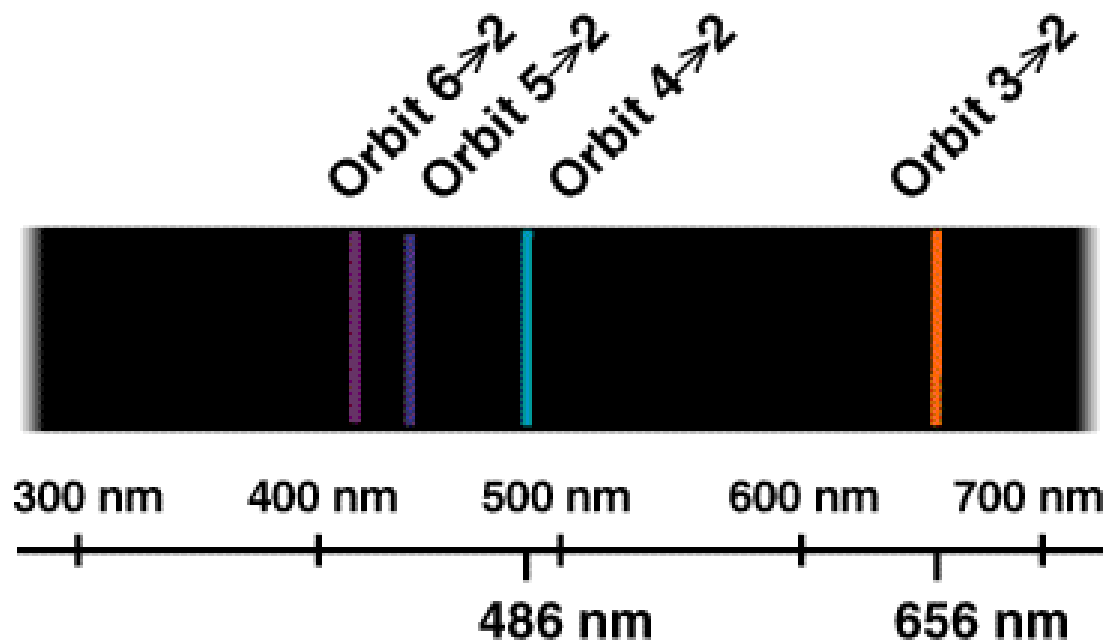


Emission and Absorption of Light



Emission Spectrum of Hydrogen and Helium

Hydrogen

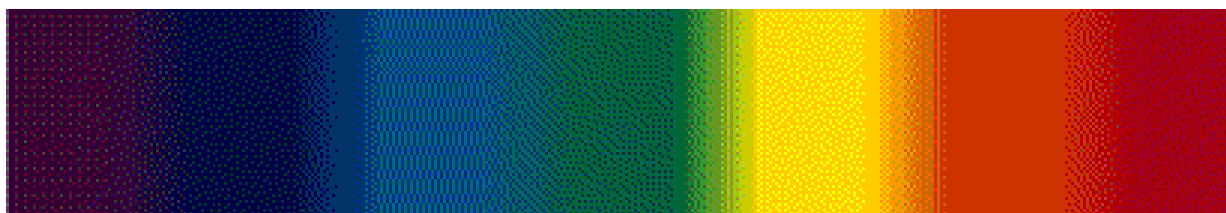


Helium

Types of Spectra

Continuous

A



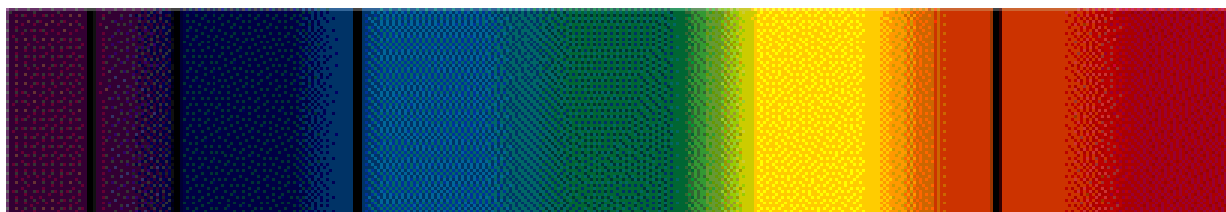
Emission line (hydrogen gas)

B



Absorption line (hydrogen gas)

C





**And Now,
the Biggest
Question in
the
Universe**

THE FATE OF THE COSMOS



- Some say the world will end in fire,
- Some say in ice.....

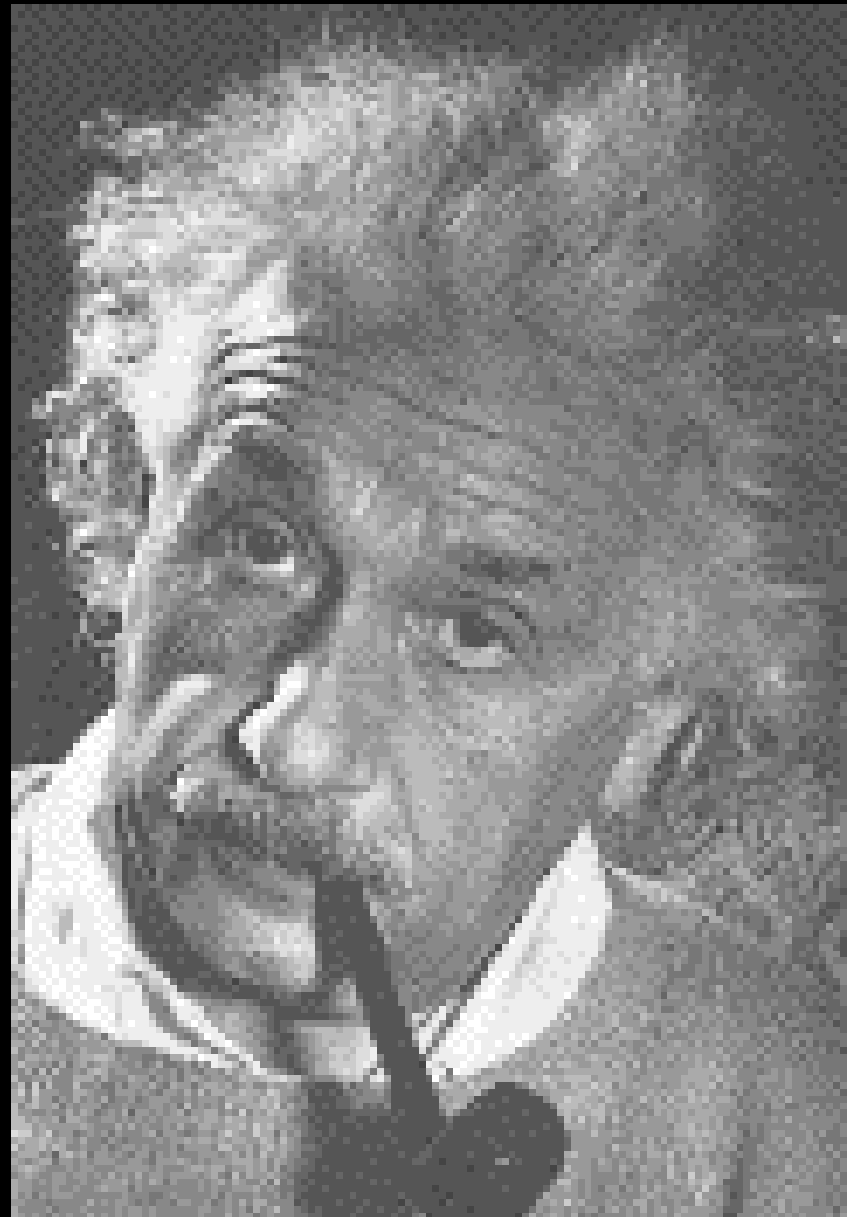
- “Fire and Ice,” *Robert Frost, 1923*

ICE WINS

- After years of observations using telescopes all around the globe, the international Supernova Cosmology project led by astrophysicist Saul Perlmutter has gathered enough compelling evidence to predict the fate of the universe.

Our Galaxy was the Universe

- 1917 Einstein and other physicists believed our own Galaxy was all there was to the universe
- a uniformly dense collection of stars and other matter floating in the void
- problem was, Einstein's new General Theory of Relativity would not allow for a static universe





Einstein's fudge factor

- Cosmological Constant *Lambda*
- many values of *Lambda* are allowed
- Einstein picks a value which gives solutions for a static universe

$$R_{ij} - \frac{1}{2}Rg_{ij} - \lambda g_{ij} = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4} T_{ij}$$

*“matter tells space-time how to curve,
and space-time tells matter how to
move”-----John A. Wheeler*

- One of the fundamental ideas in general relativity is that matter and energy act to curve space-time, ie they tell the metric equation how to behave.
- It is Einstein's field equations that describe this mathematically

$$R_{ij} - \frac{1}{2}Rg_{ij} - \lambda g_{ij} = \frac{8\pi G}{c^4} T_{ij}$$

An Expanding Universe

- Then in 1929
- Hubble finds the universe full of countless galaxies and
- Hubble discovers light from galaxies are redshifted



Discovery!



Hi z Supernova Team



Supernova Cosmology Project

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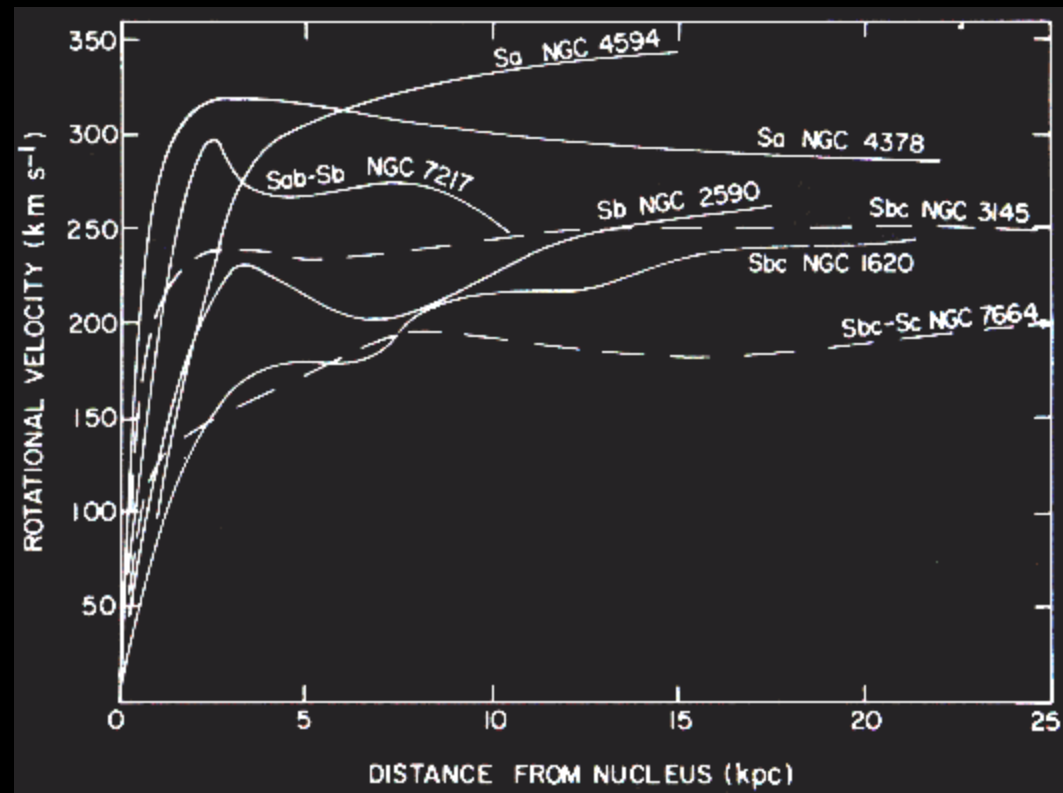
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Indirect Detection

Galaxy Rotation - Missing Mass



Cosmic Acceleration & Dark Energy

- Evidence for cosmic acceleration is very solid (meets “Sagan criterion”)
- Understanding is not
- No evidence that dark energy is not the energy of the quantum vacuum
- Many important projects underway

DARK ENERGY

MAY BE THE MOST

PROFOUND PROBLEM

IN ALL OF SCIENCE TODAY

A LOT AT STAKE!

COSMIC DESTINY
CAN'T UNDERSTAND

QUANTUM
VACUUM
ENERGY
WHY SO SMALL

INFLATION
RELATED?

NARCISSISTIC
PAINKILLER

NEUTRINO
MASS
SAME
SCALE

WHAT IS
IT?
DARK
ENERGY

SURPRISE
???

COSMIC ACCELERATION

SUPER
STRINGS
SOLUTION?

NEW
GRAV =
PHYSICS
SELF
ACCELERATION

SUPERSYMMETRY

SUSY \Rightarrow $P_{VAC} = 0$
SUSY \Rightarrow $P_{VAC} \neq 0$

WHY
NOW?

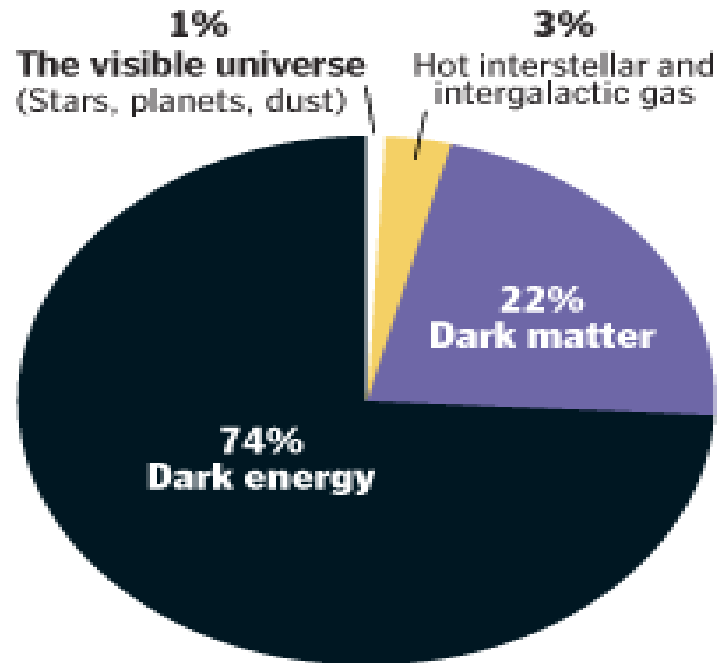
... SWEDISH GOLD OPPORTUNITIES

SOLVING THE
COSMIC ACCELERATION
RIDDLE WILL REQUIRE
A CRAZY, NEW IDEA!

NB: NOT EVERY CRAZY IDEA IS A
SOLUTION TO A PROFOUND
PROBLEM!

The Composition Of the Universe

Most of it is invisible.



Dark matter and **dark energy** are similar only in name. Both are called “dark” because their presence is inferred by the gravitational behavior of visible matter. Dark matter encourages the growth of structure, while dark energy impedes structural formation.

SOURCES: Patricia Burchat, staff reports

GRAPHIC: By Patterson Clark, The Washington Post

Einstein recanted too soon.

- Observations of distant type Ia supernova place them significantly farther away than would be expected from their redshifts.
- Something is pushing everything apart faster than it did in the early universe.
- cosmological constant *Lambda* is the best candidate.
- Vacuum energy density.

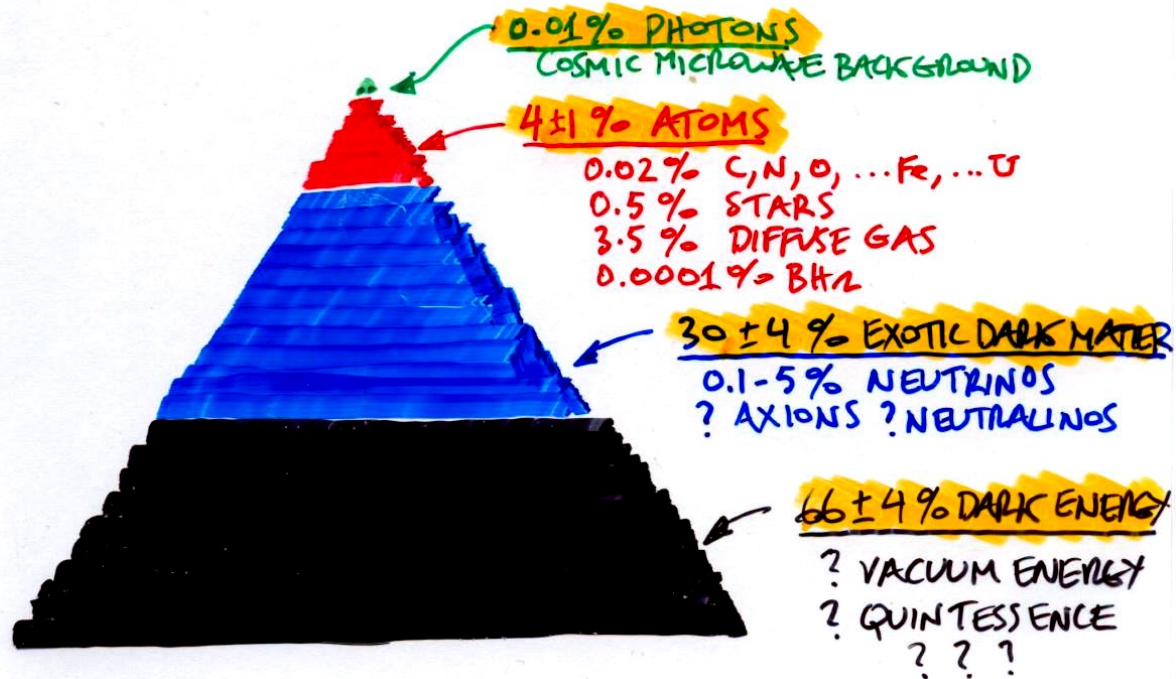
$$\Lambda = 8\pi G \rho_{\text{vac}}$$

Startling Discovery Confirmed

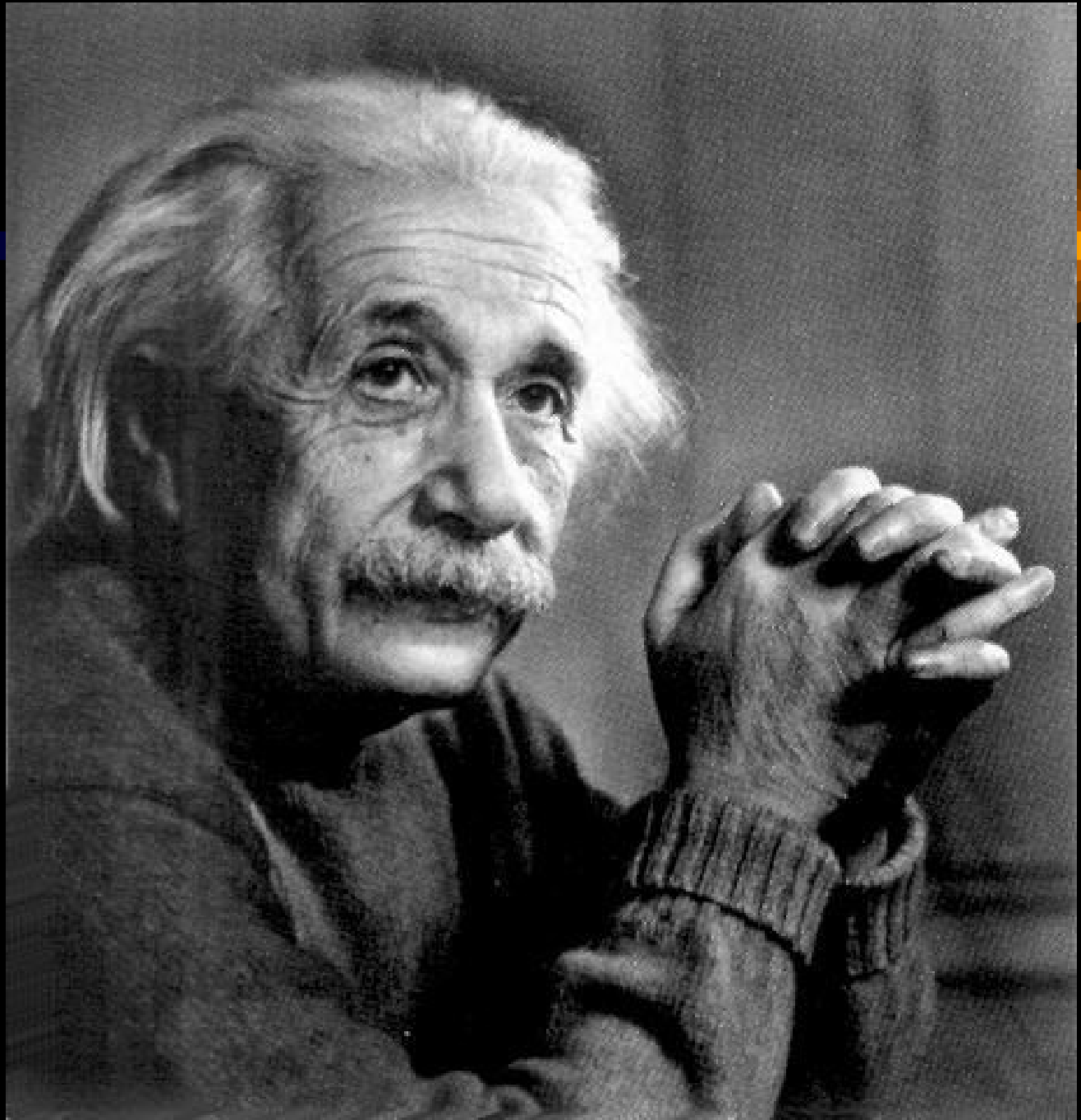
- So instead of slowing down, as everyone has expected, the universe is in fact speeding up. This acceleration appears to be due to the cosmology constant, lamda, which may represent as much as 70% of the total mass density of the universe.
- Lamda's exact nature remains a mystery, *the universe may expand forever!*

COSMIC STUFF

0.5% STARS + 33% DARK MATTER + 66% DARK ENERGY

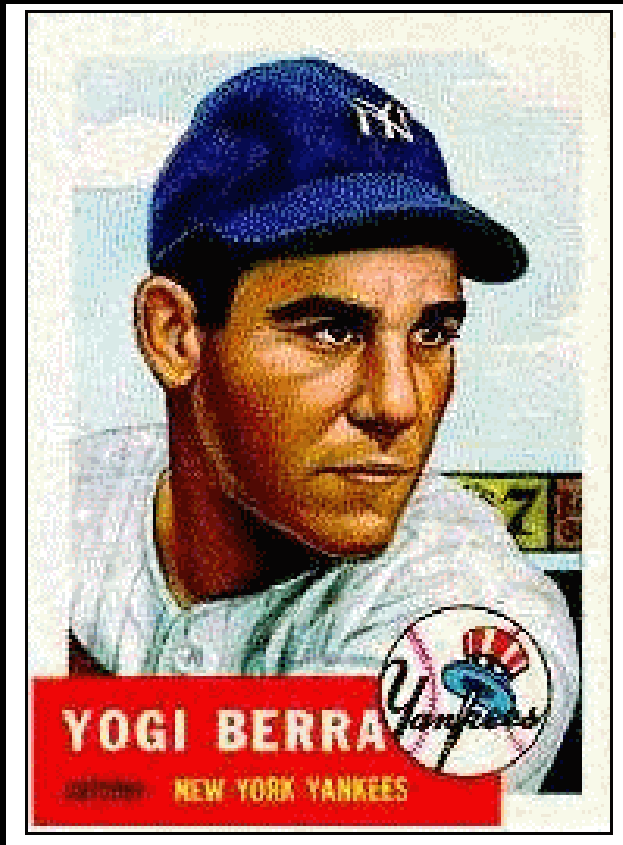


96% IN NEW FORMS
OF MATTER & ENERGY





“it ain’t over till it’s over”



General Relativity Effects Near Black Holes (3)

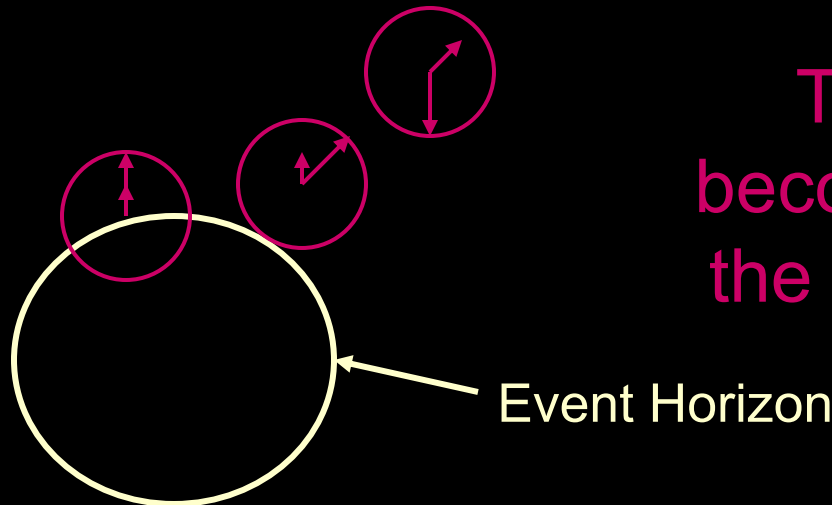
Time dilation

Clocks starting at 12:00 at each point.

After 3 hours (for an observer far away from the BH):

Clocks closer to the BH run more slowly.

Time dilation becomes infinite at the event horizon.



General Relativity Effects Near Black Holes (4)

Gravitational Red Shift

All wavelengths of emissions from near the event horizon are stretched (red shifted).

↔ Frequencies are lowered

Event Horizon



Black Holes

Just like white dwarfs (Chandrasekhar limit: $1.4 M_{\text{sun}}$), there is a mass limit for neutron stars:

Neutron stars can not exist
with masses $> 3 M_{\text{sun}}$

We know of no mechanism to halt the collapse of a compact object with $> 3 M_{\text{sun}}$.

It will collapse into a single point – a *singularity*:

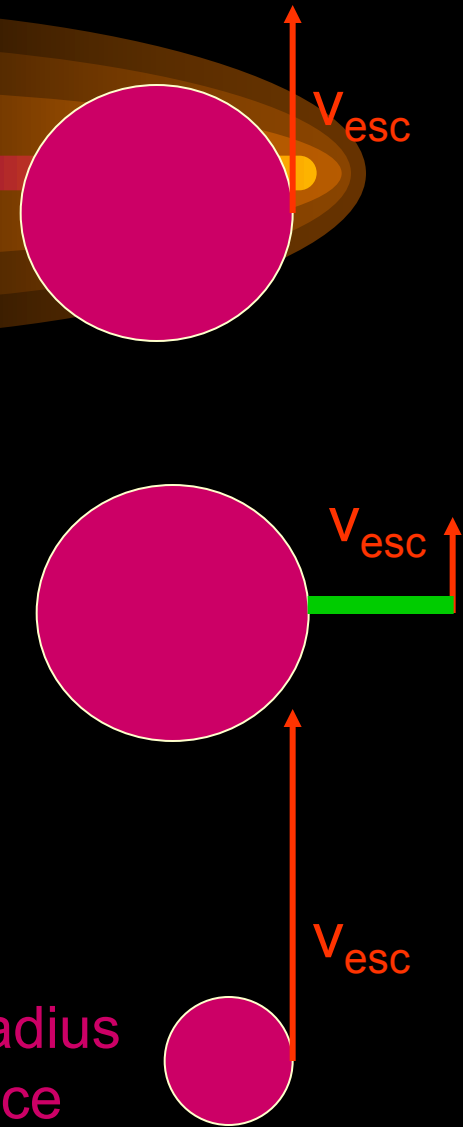
=> A Black Hole!

Escape Velocity



Velocity needed to escape Earth's gravity from the surface: $v_{esc} \approx 11.6 \text{ km/s}$.

Now, gravitational force decreases with distance ($\sim 1/d^2$) \Rightarrow Starting out high above the surface \Rightarrow lower escape velocity.

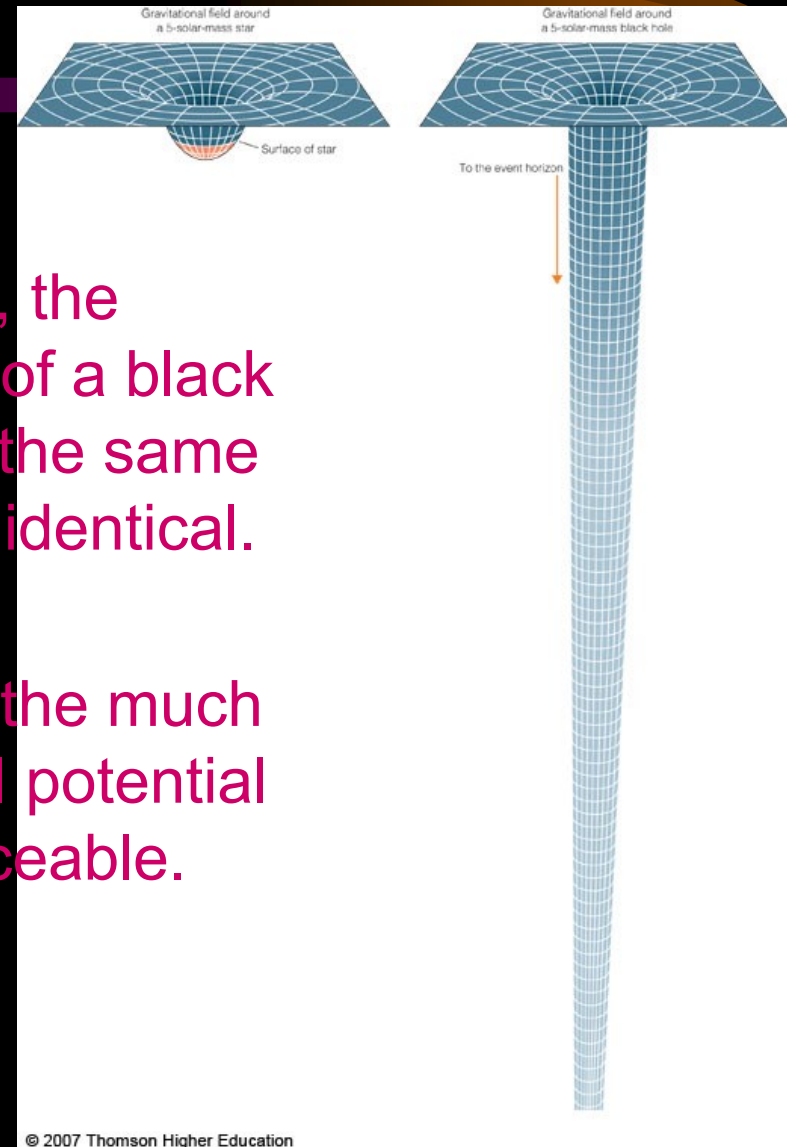


If you could compress Earth to a smaller radius \Rightarrow higher escape velocity from the surface

General Relativity Effects Near Black Holes (1)

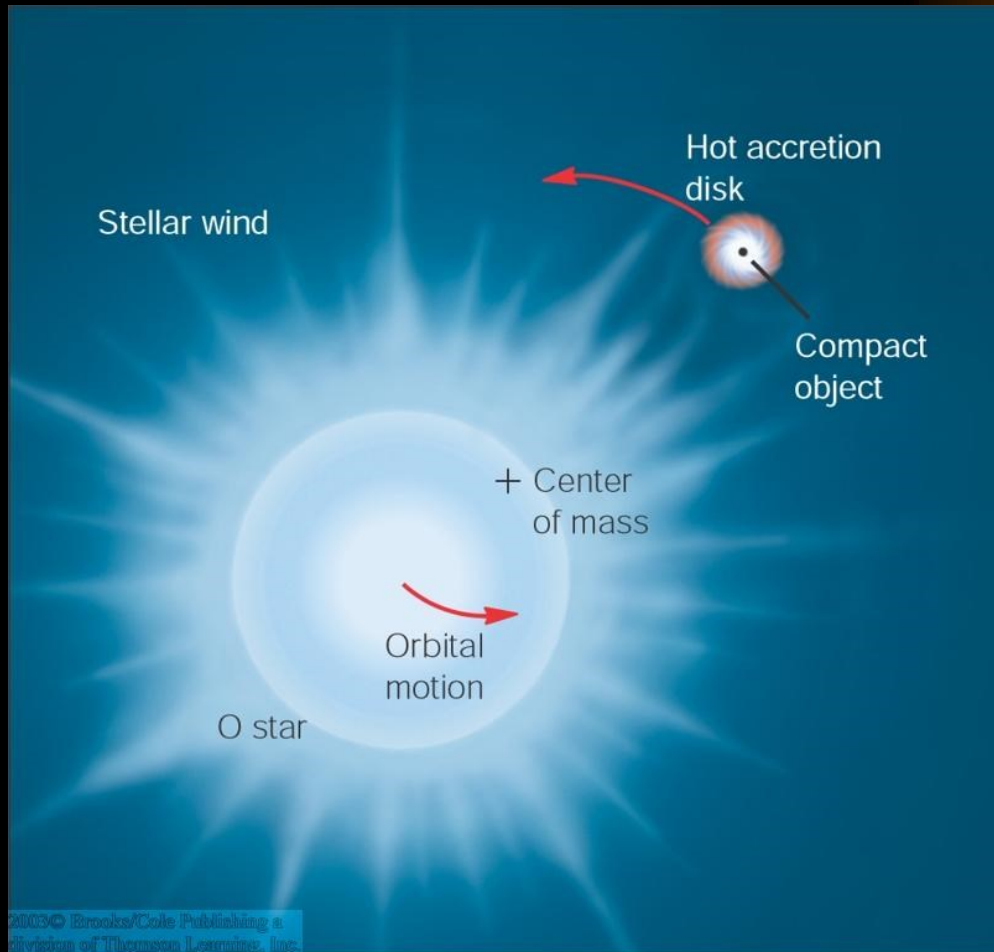
At a distance, the gravitational fields of a black hole and a star of the same mass are virtually identical.

At small distances, the much deeper gravitational potential will become noticeable.



Observing Black Holes

No light can escape a black hole
=> Black holes can not be observed directly.



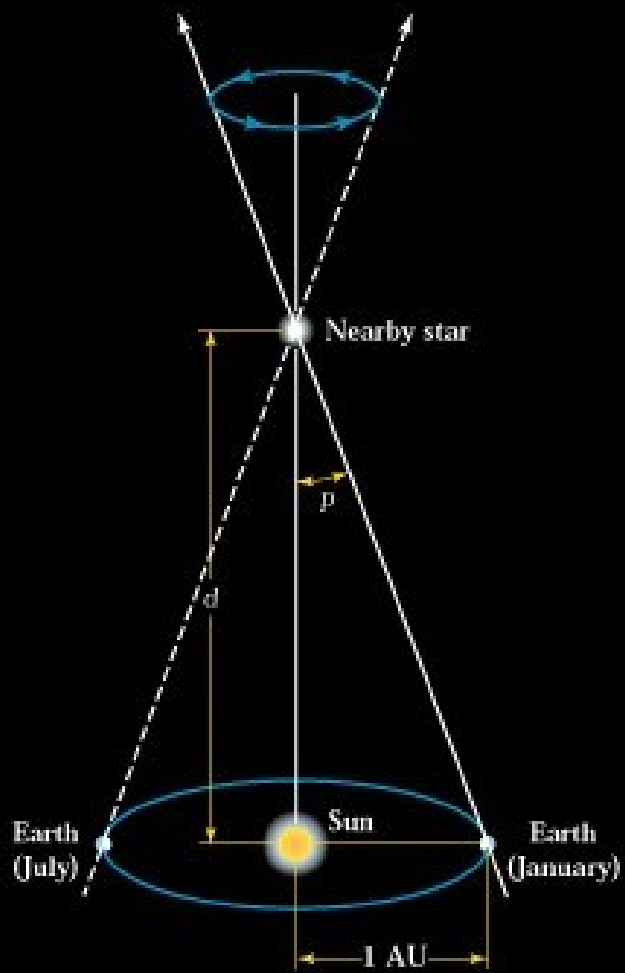
If an invisible compact object is part of a binary, we can estimate its mass from the orbital period and radial velocity.

Mass $> 3 M_{\text{sun}}$
=> Black hole!

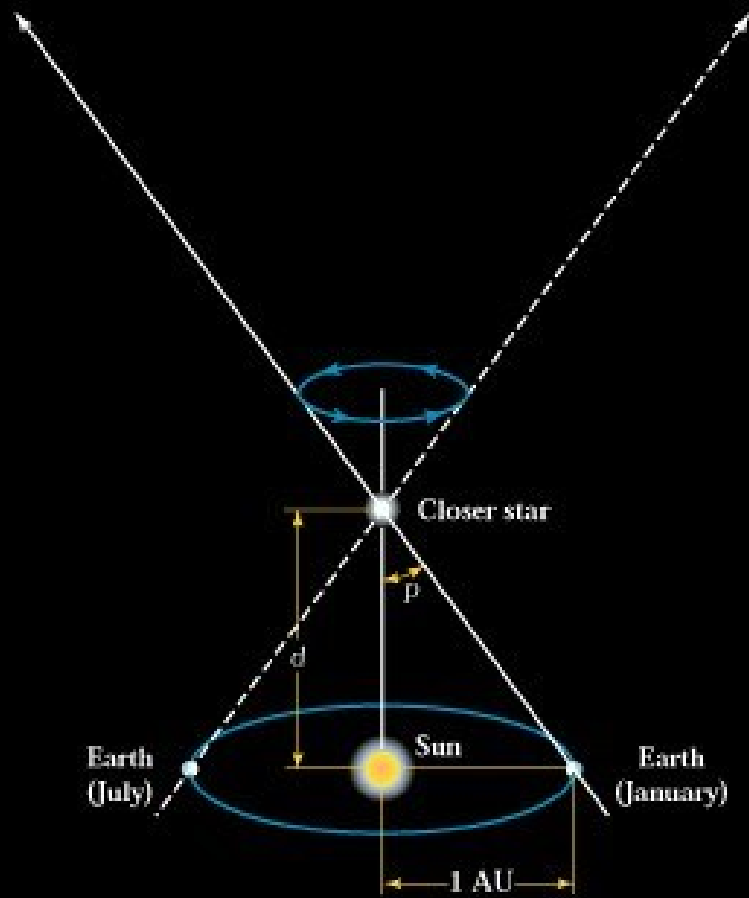
THE DISTANCE LADDER



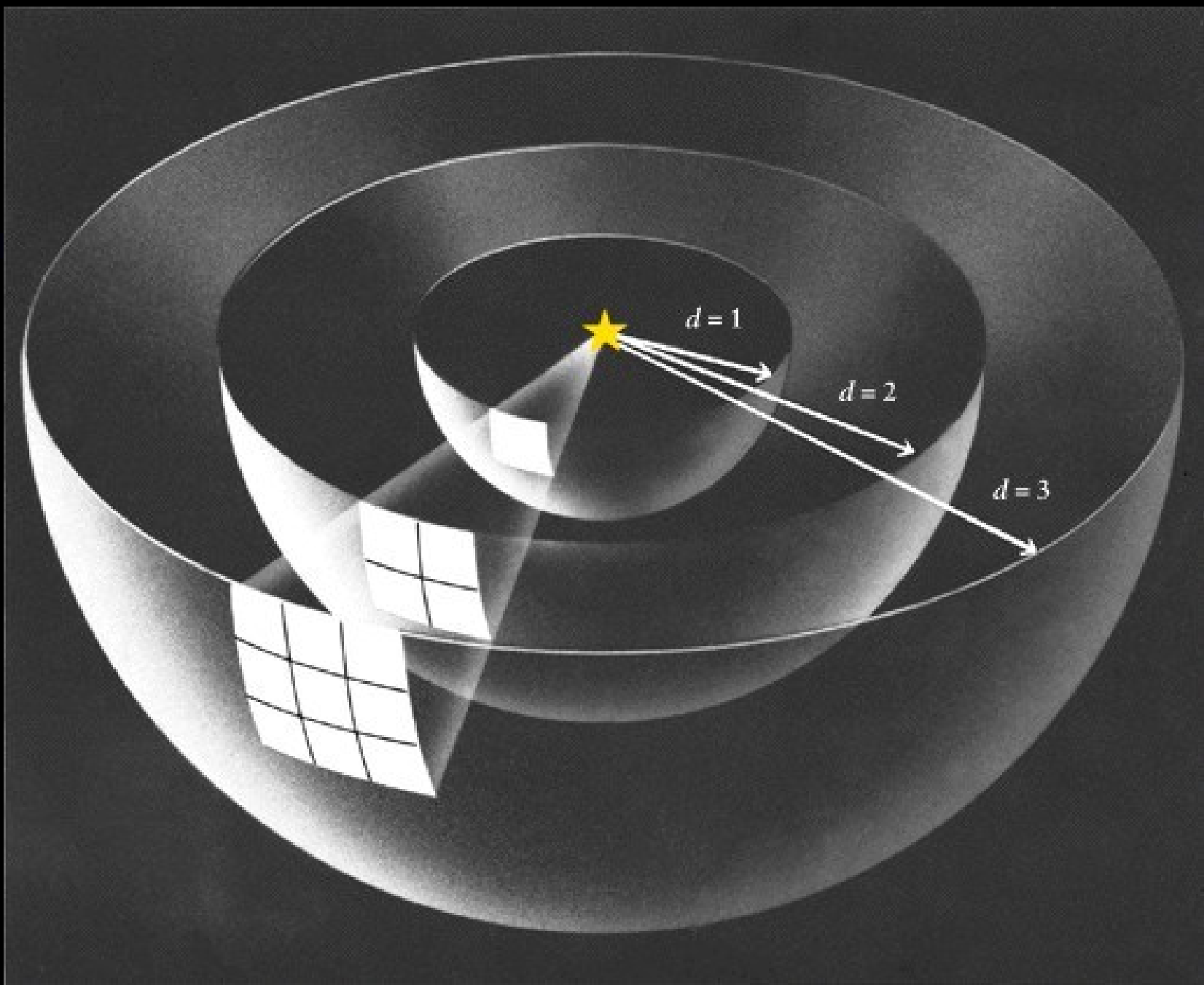
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- redshift
- inverse square law
- cepheid variables
- type Ia supernova



a



b



STANDARD CANDLES

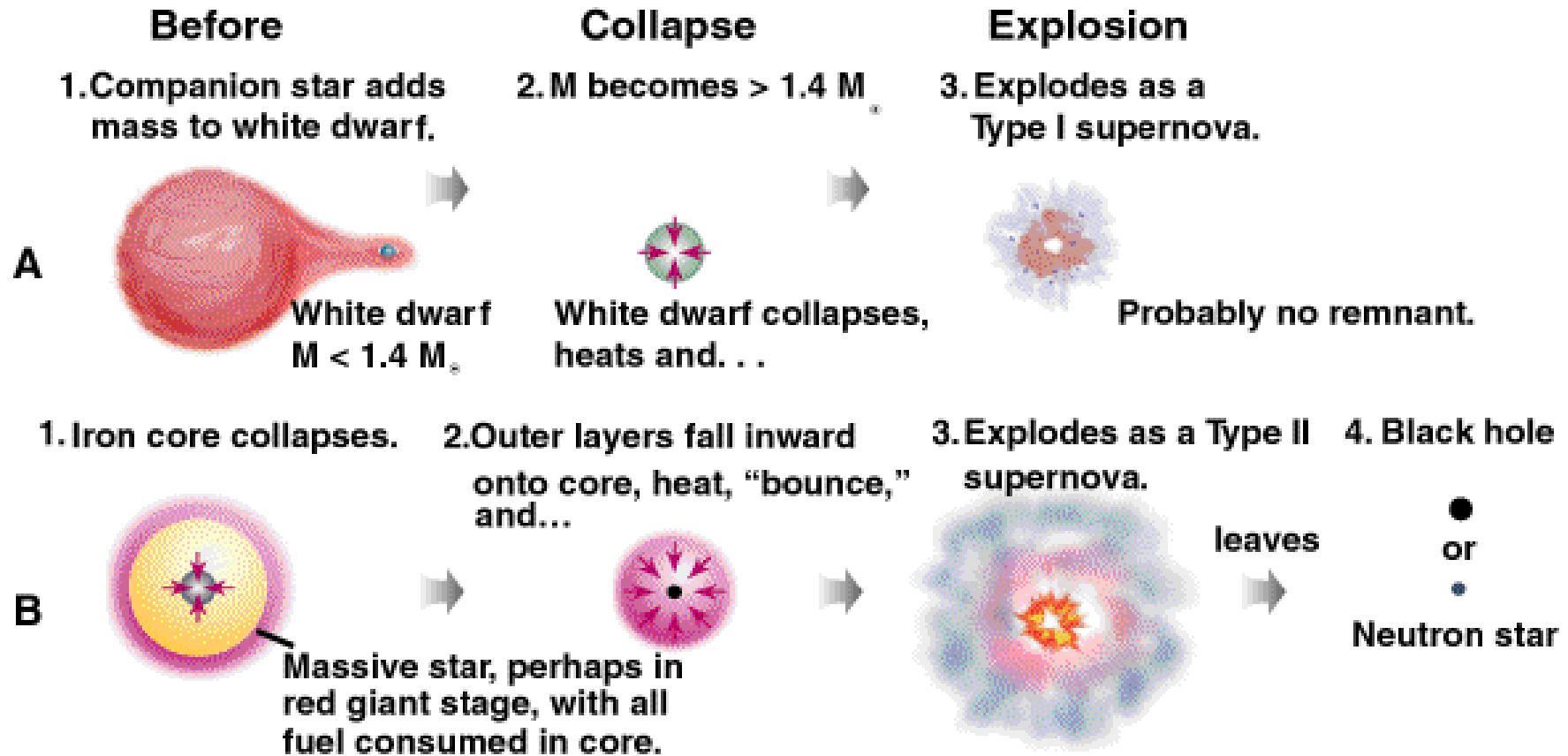


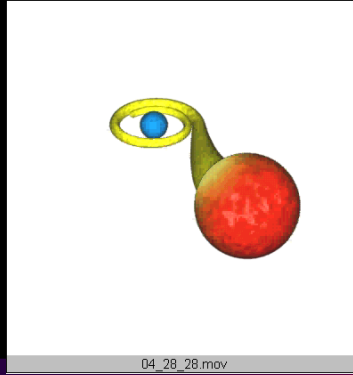
- these stars can thus be used as “standard candles” to measure distance, as more distant cepheids appear dimmer (apparent brightness), but their period is not effected by their distance.
- Hubble compared the redshift with the distance and discovered the expansion.

A NEW MILEPOST MARKER

- Scientists figured that over the 12-15 billion years of the universe, the expansion would slow down slightly, thanks to the pull of gravity that every galaxy exerts on each other. But spotting such a change would require probing deep into space by looking at stars glittering billions of light years away, too far for *cepheid* to be seen

Supernova Explosions of Type I and II





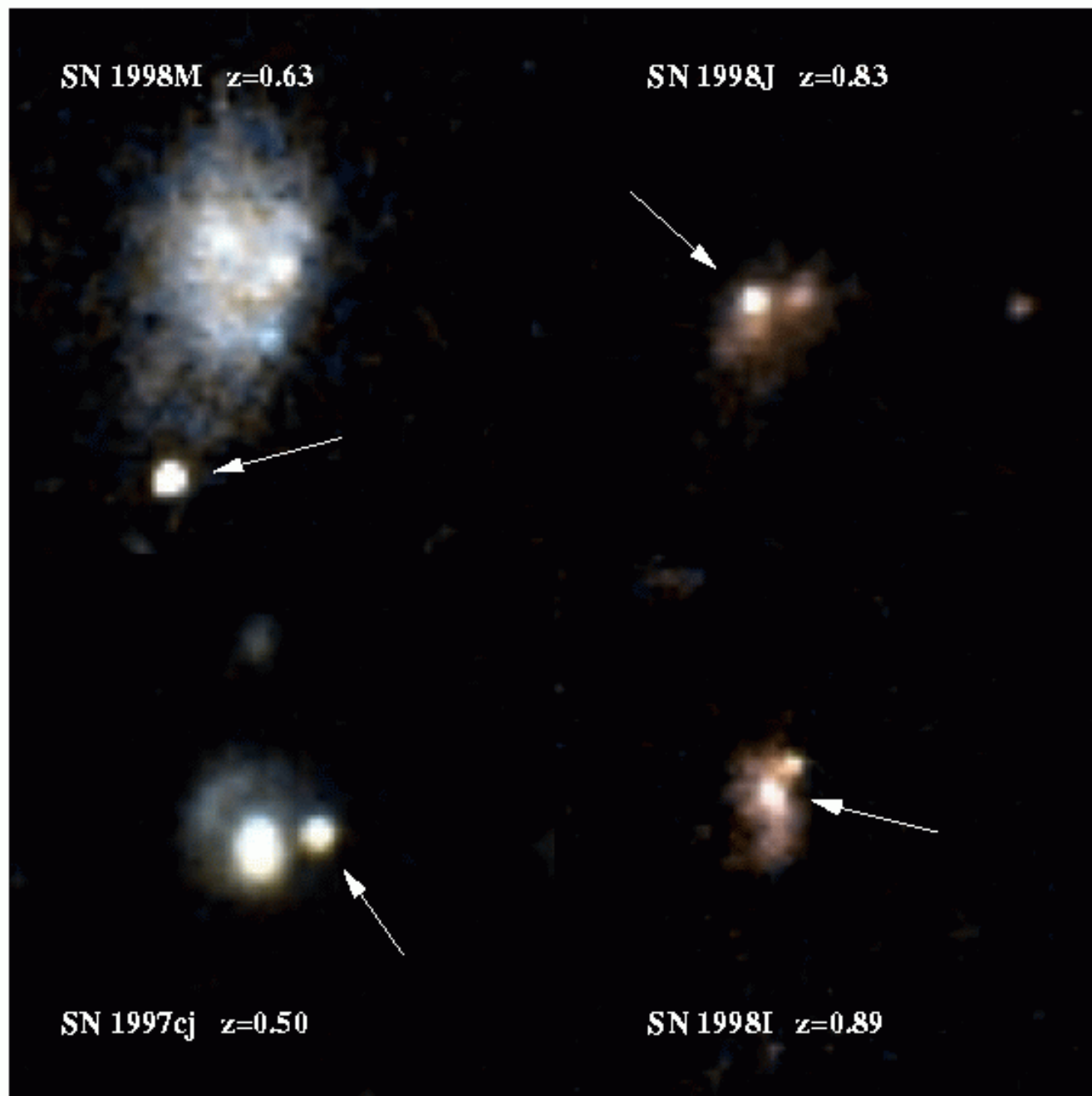
- Type Ia supernova are white dwarfs which have a companion star and are slurping up matter from the companion. They become denser and denser until a runaway thermonuclear firestorm ignites. This nuclear cataclysm blows the dwarf star completely apart, spewing out material at about 10,000 kilometers per second.

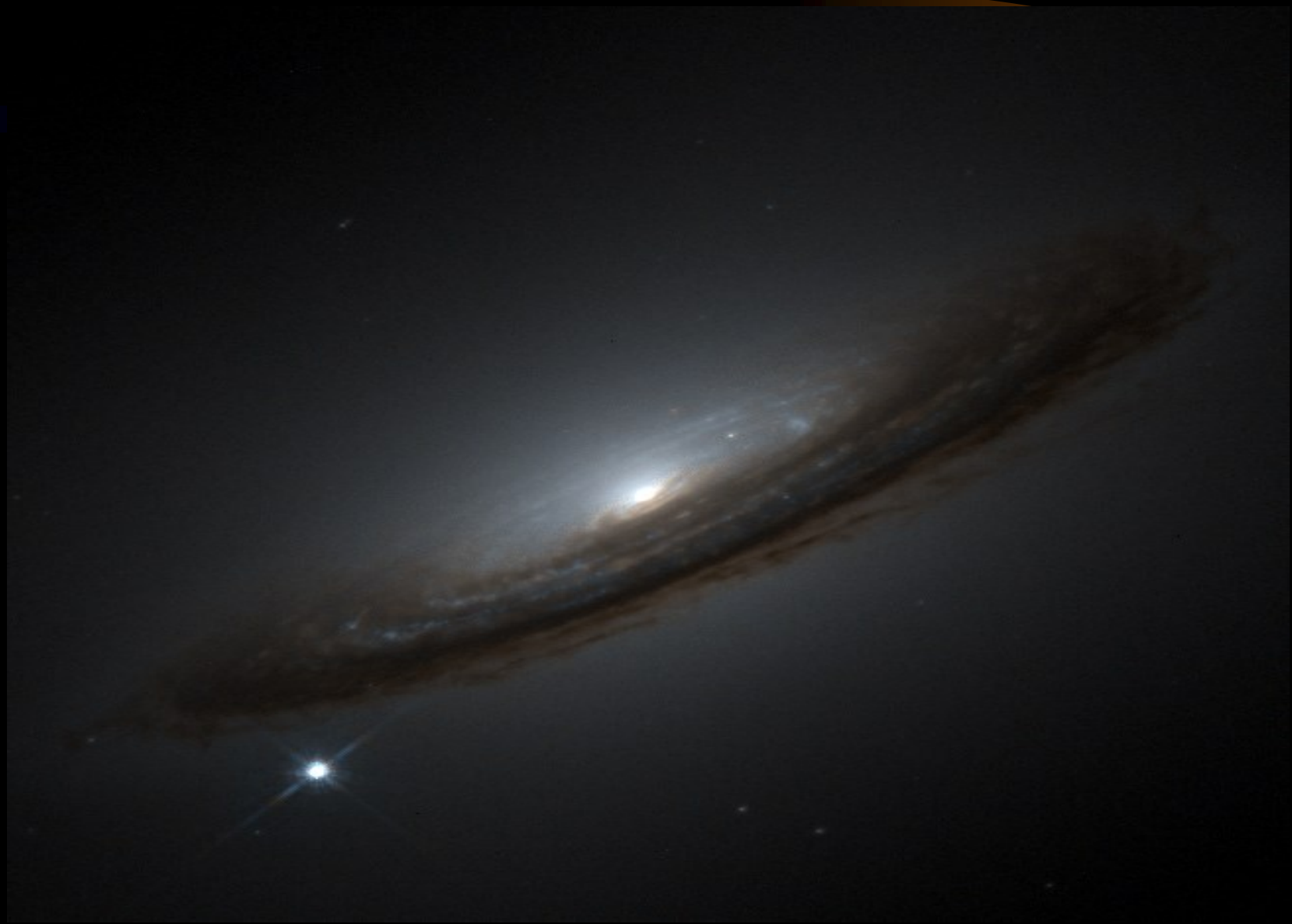
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SN 1998J $z=0.83$

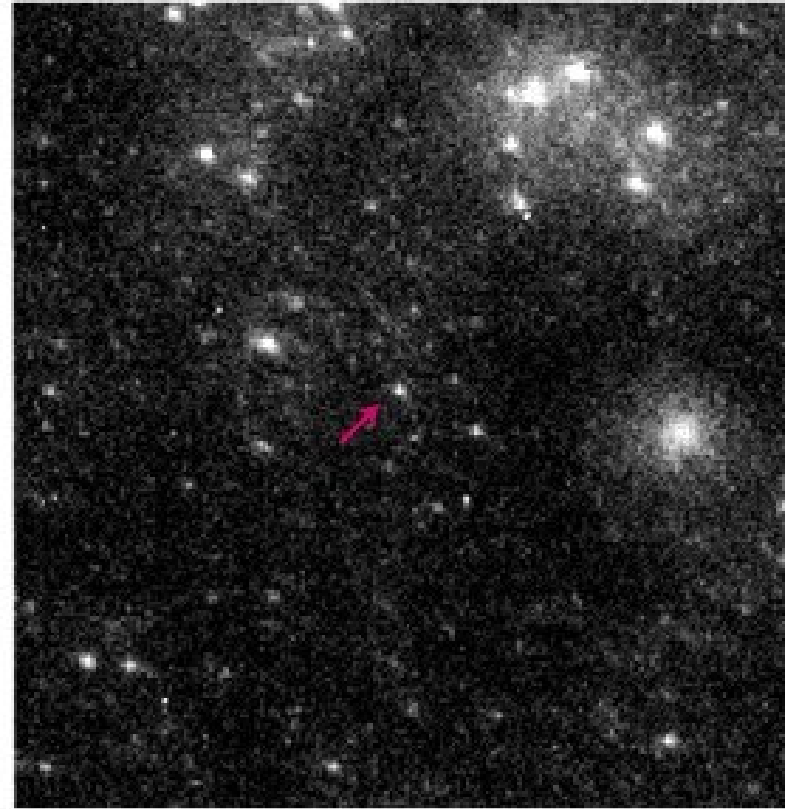
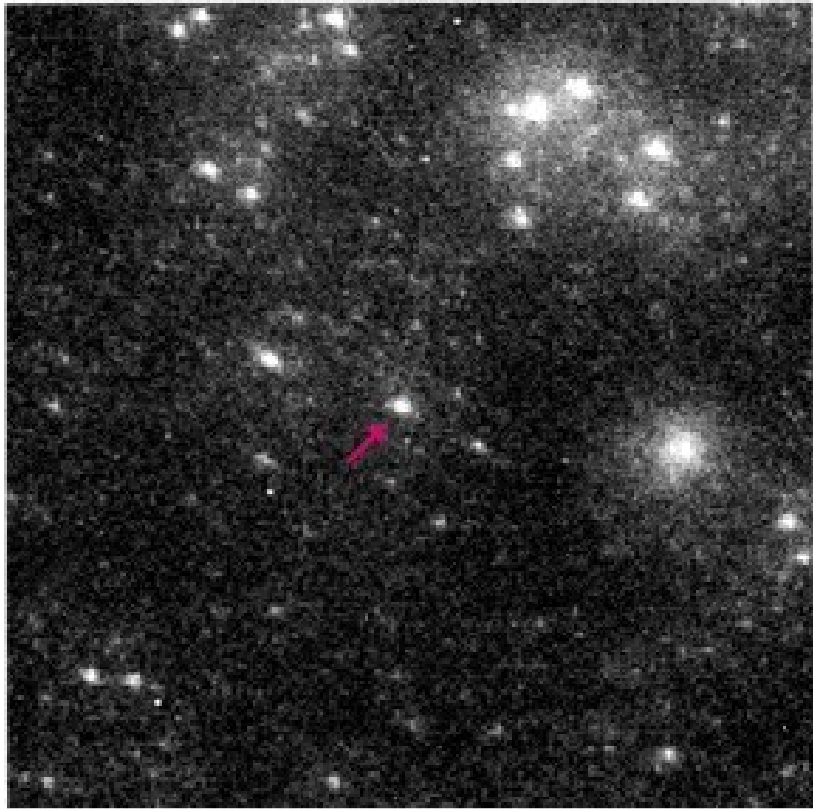
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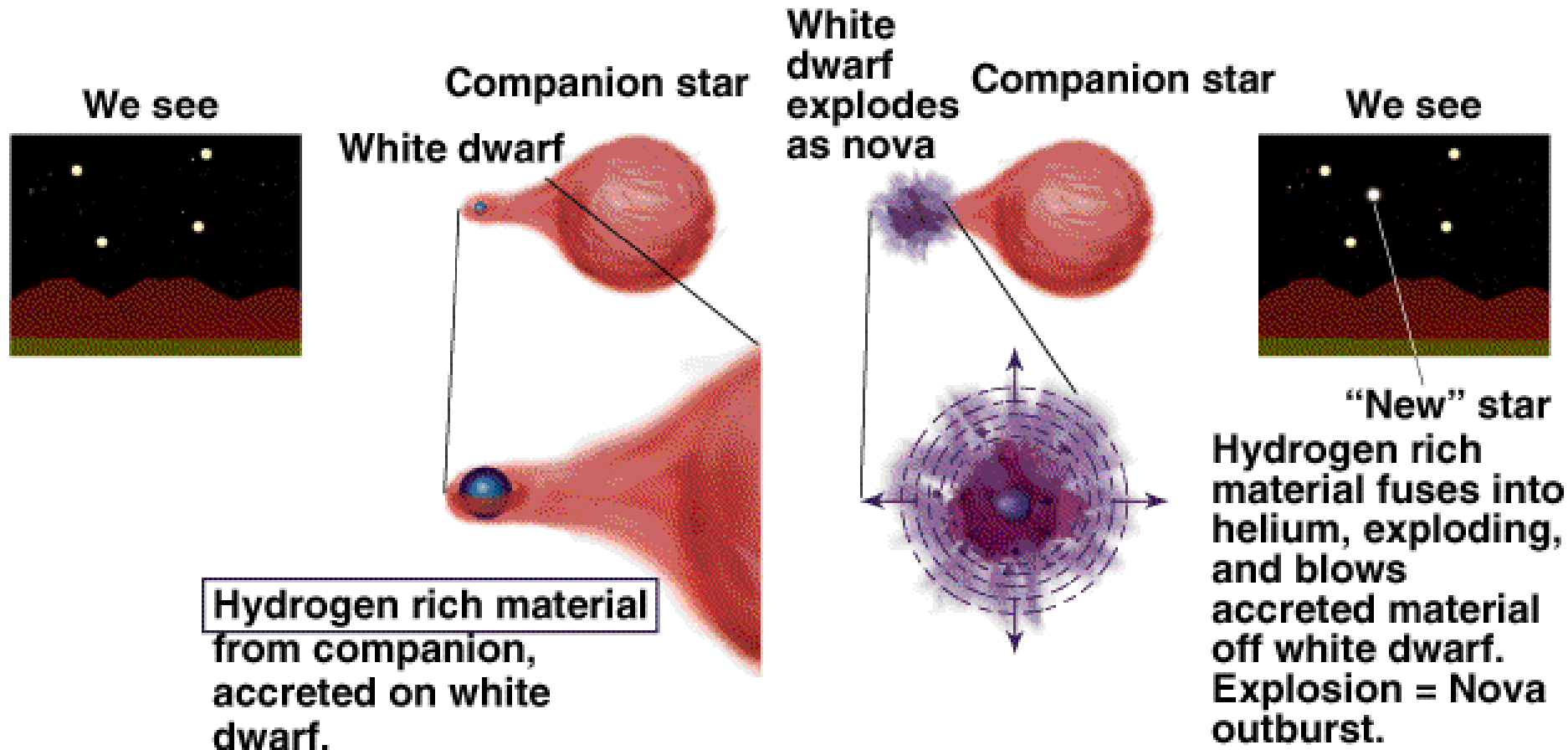








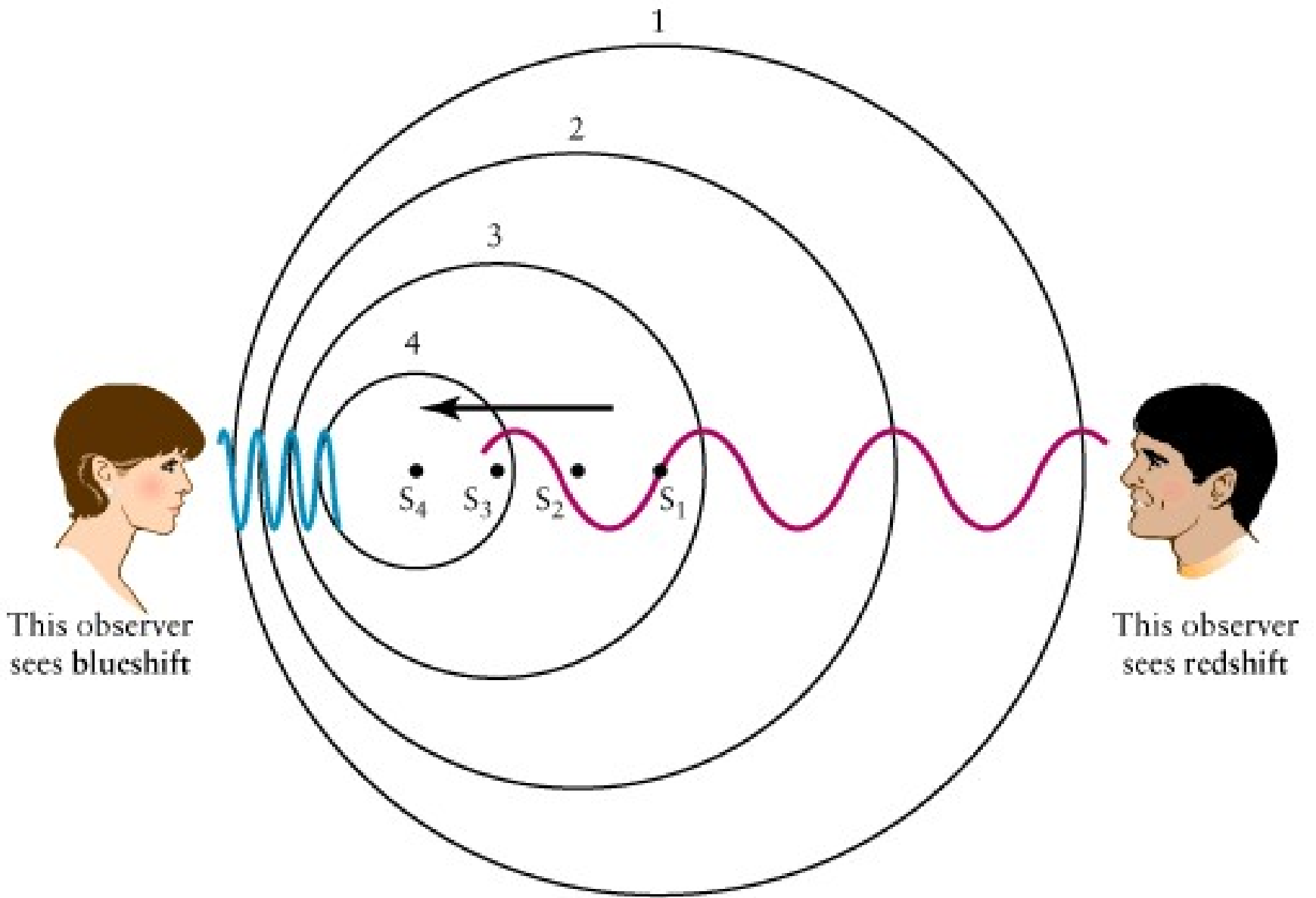
Nova Outburst in a Binary System



*SUPERNOVA COSMOLOGY
PROJECT*



1998 BREAKTHROUGH OF THE
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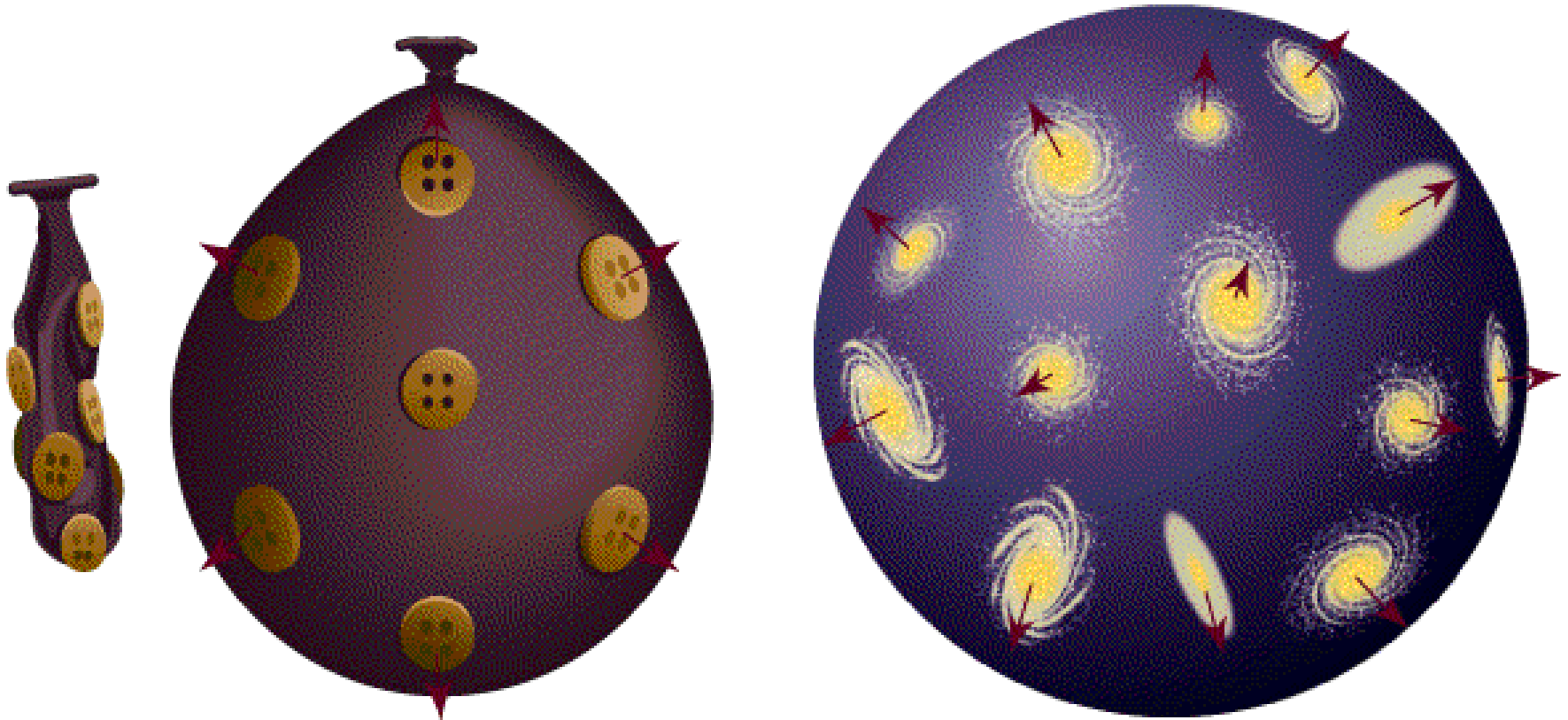


This observer
sees blueshift

This observer
sees redshift

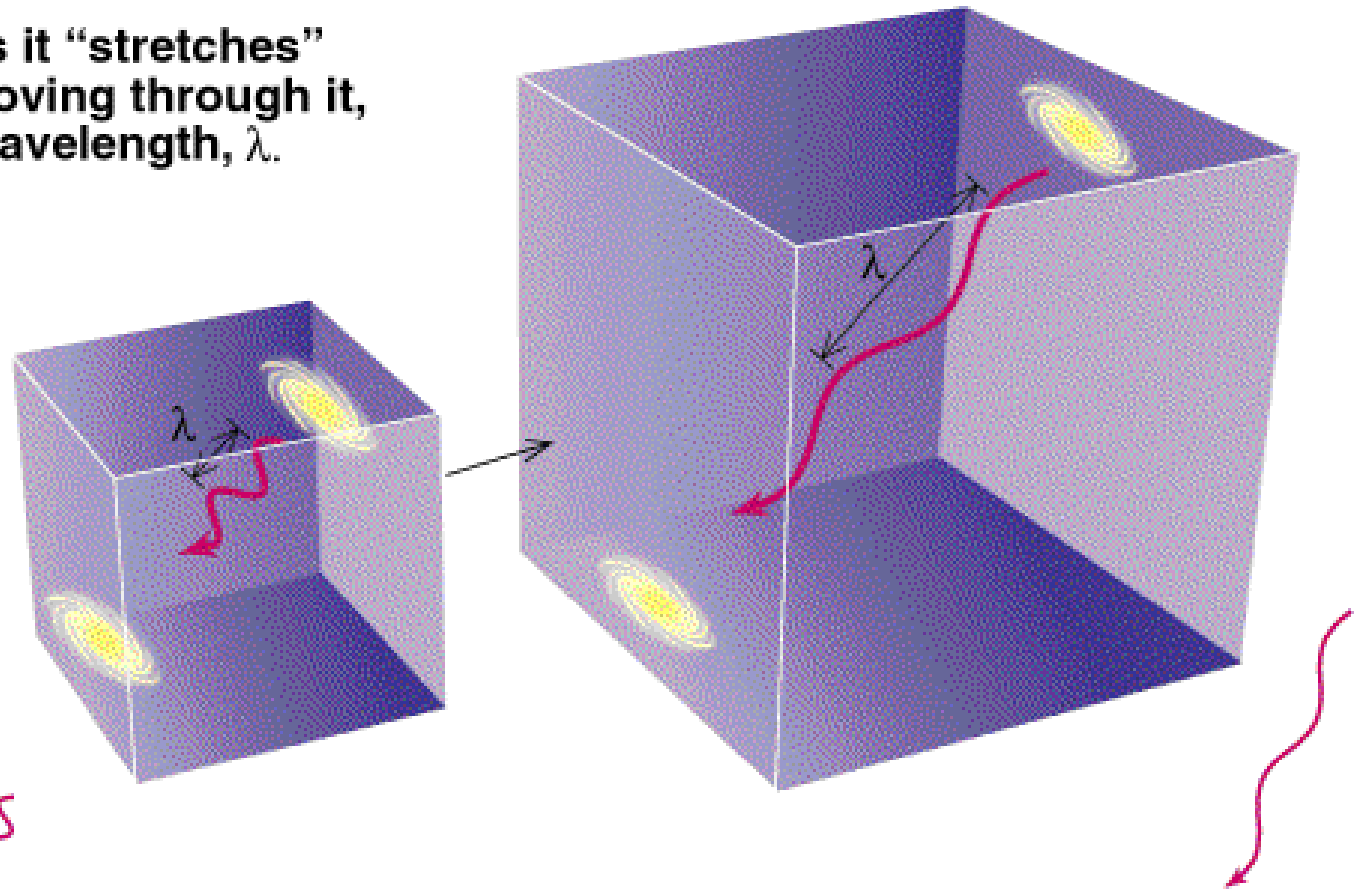


The Expansion of the Universe



The Origin of the Redshift

As space expands it “stretches” the light waves moving through it, increasing their wavelength, λ .



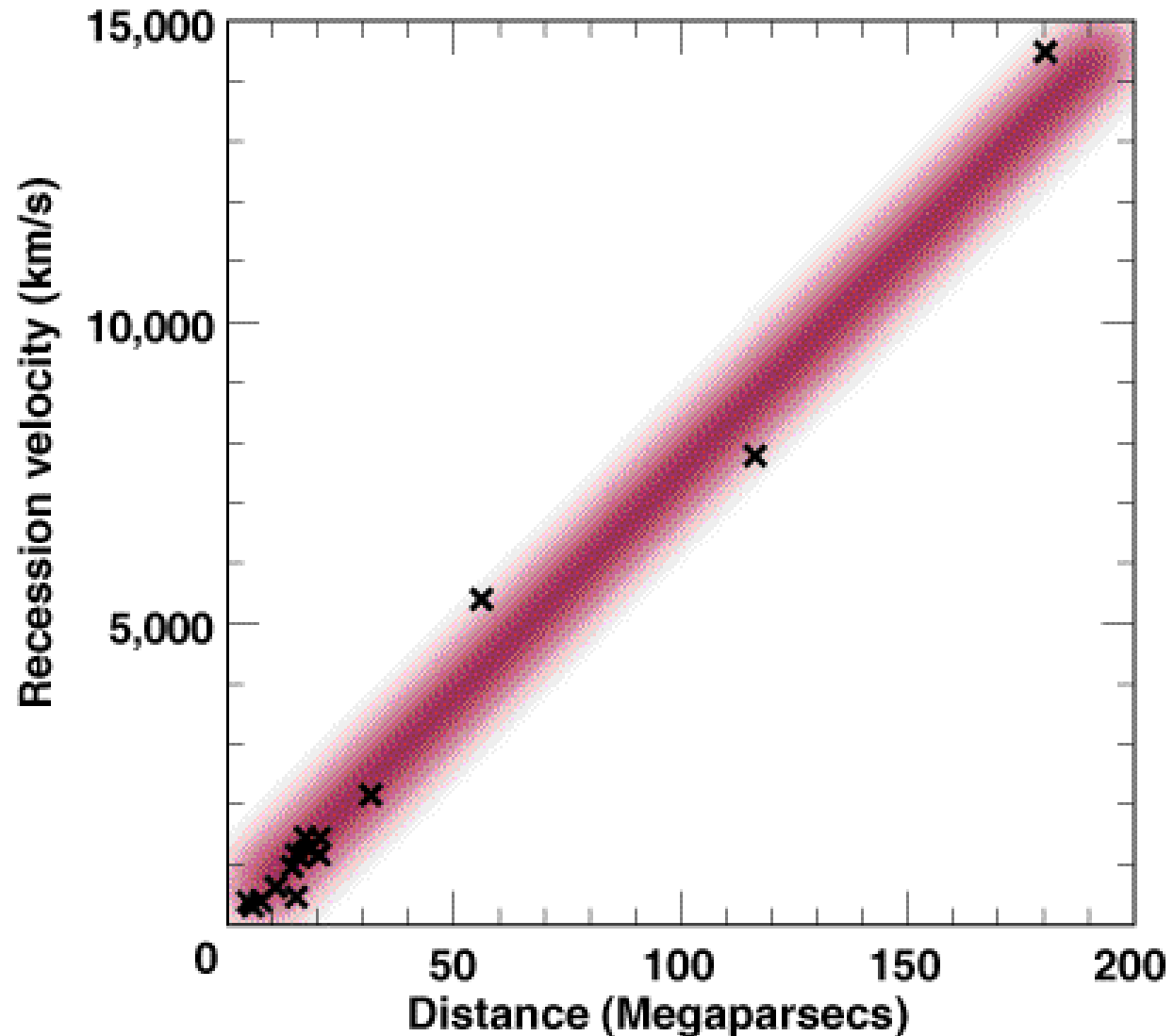
Short wavelength implies hot.

Long wavelength implies cool.

HUBBLE'S LAW

- He also finds that distant galaxies are redshifted more than light from the closer galaxies therefore.....
- the universe is indeed expanding
- Hubble discovered that the speed of recession is proportional to the distance

Galaxies Farther Away Recede Faster: Hubble's Law



Estimating the Age of the Universe

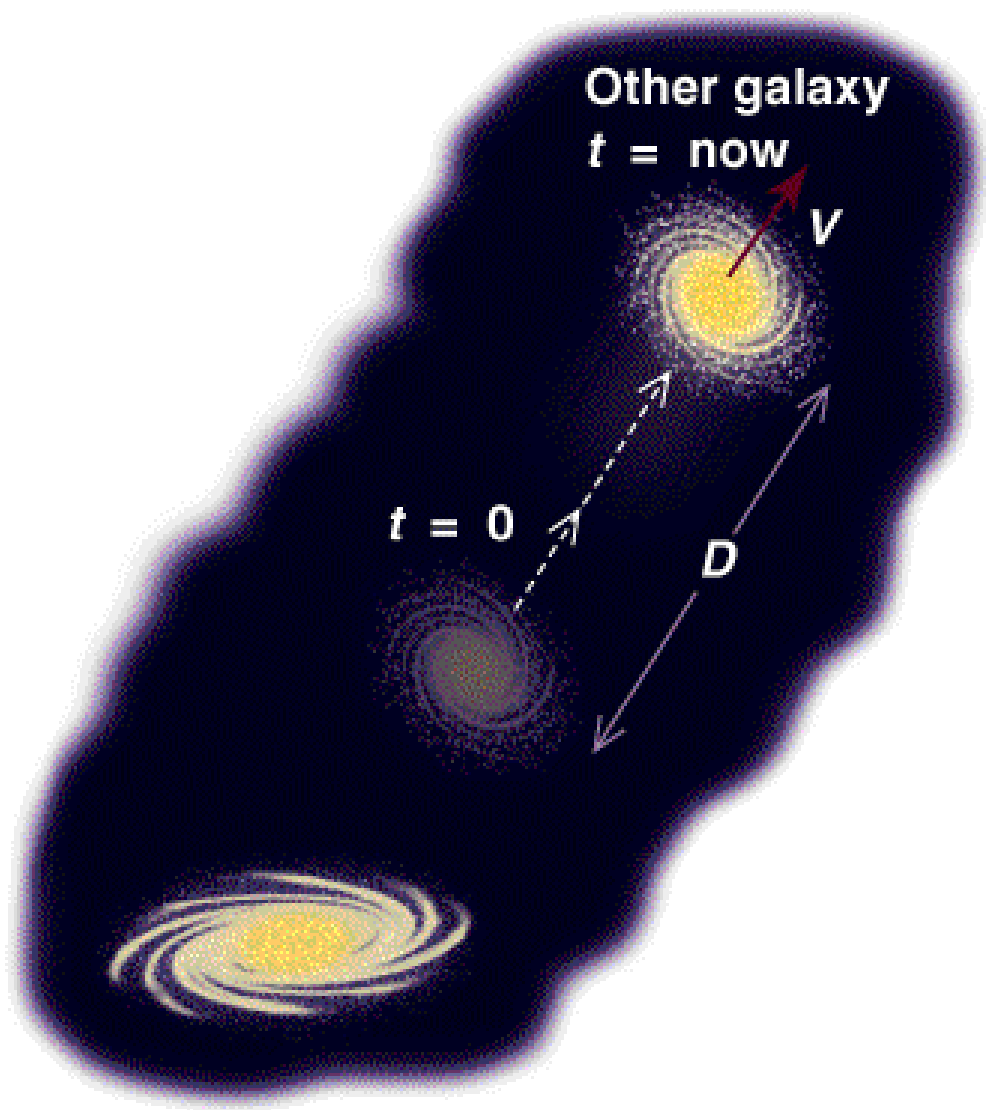
$$D = V t$$

Therefore, $t = \frac{D}{V}$

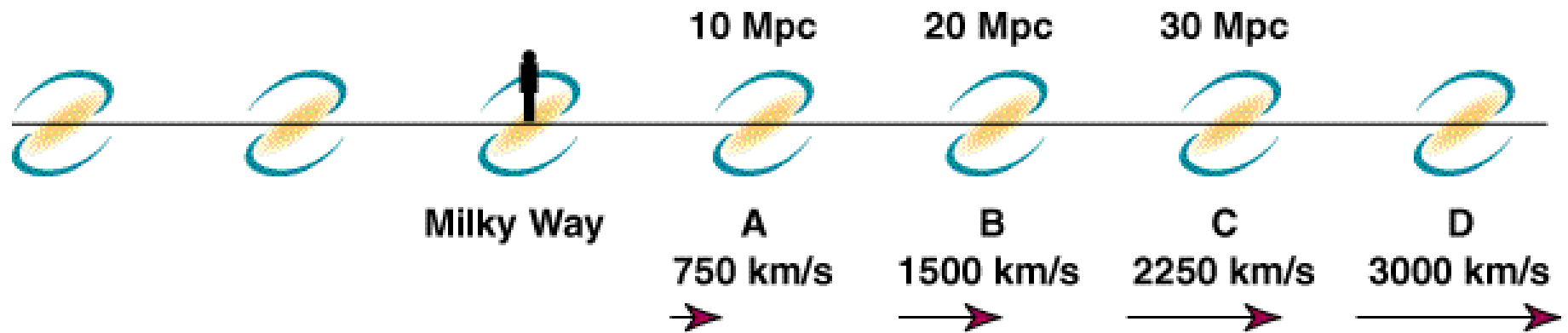
But according to Hubble Law,

$$V = D H$$

Therefore, $t = \frac{D}{D H} = \frac{1}{H}$



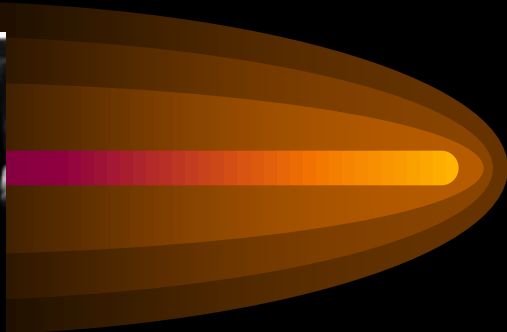
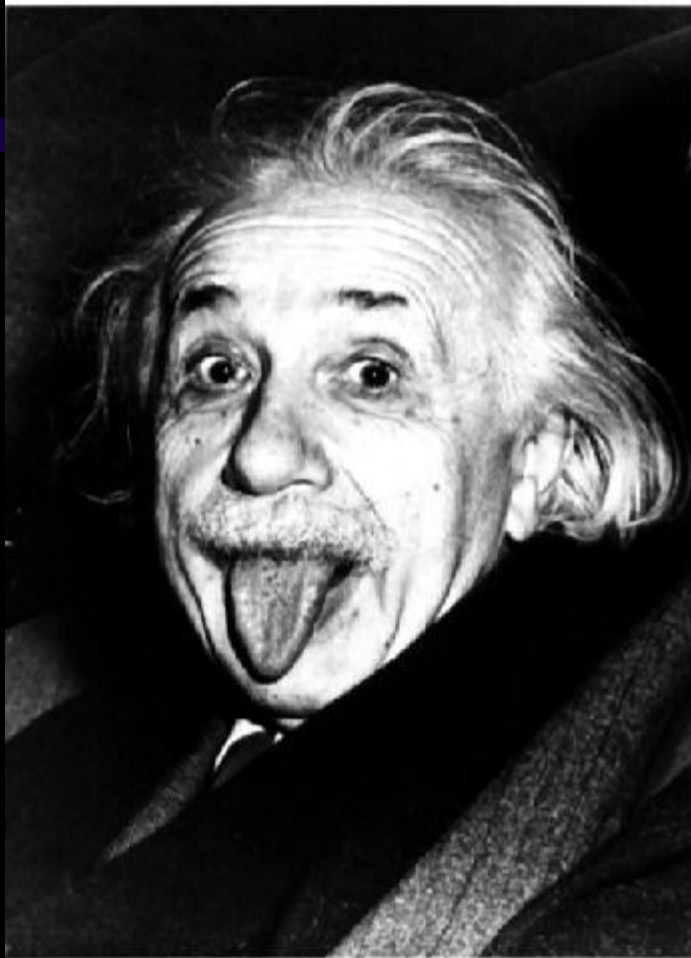
A Line of Galaxies Illustrating Hubble's Law



A BIG MISTAKE?

- Einstein dismissed his cosmological constant idea as
- *“the biggest blunder of my life”*





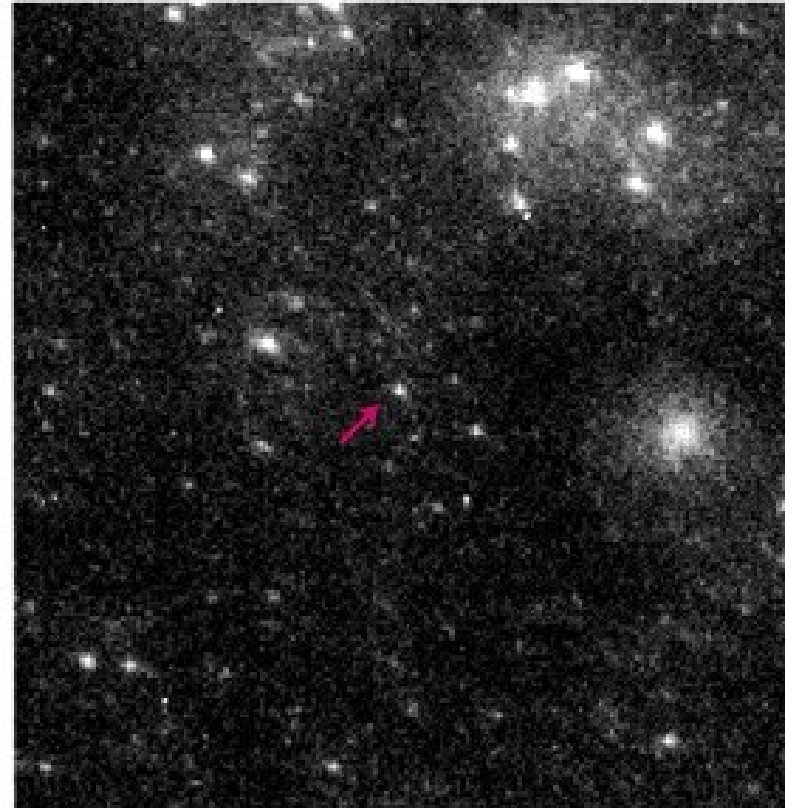
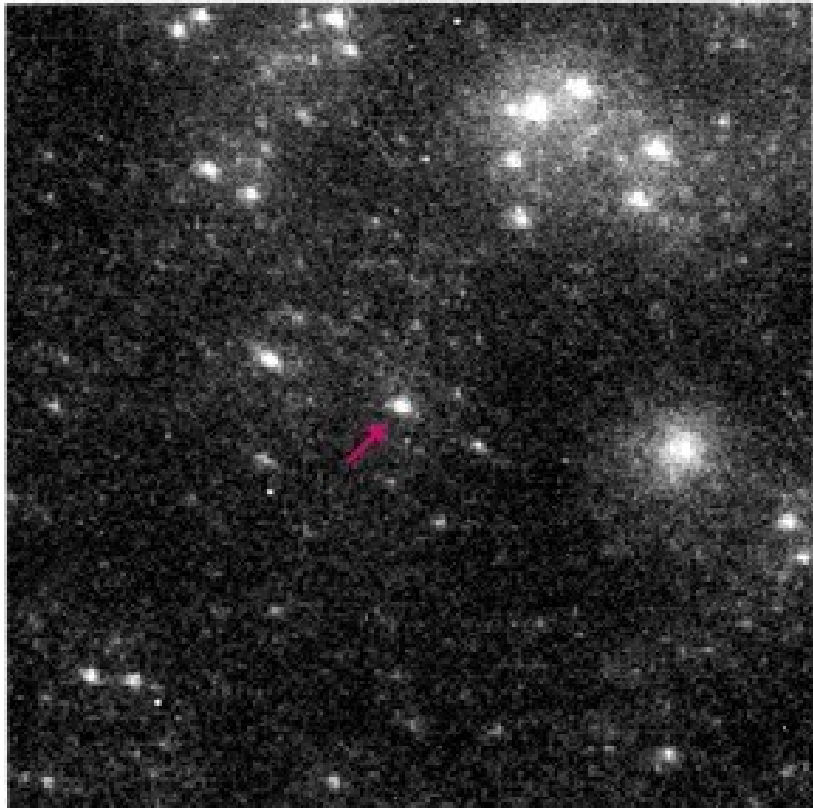
The Nature of the Universe Debate

- most believed that the universe was slowing down, due to gravity acting on matter in the universe. The question was...
- How quickly was it slowing down?
- What is the mass density of the universe?
- Enough to reverse the expansion and eventually end the universe in a Big Crunch?

NEW KIND OF STANDARD CANDLE



- Type Ia Supernovas
- So for the past 20 years, astronomers have turned to the brightness of supernovae which happen nearly the same way each time. But these massive explosions are rare, only 2 or 3 erupt in a typical galaxy per millennium.



How often do Type Ia supernova occur?



- Type Ia supernova are rare, in a typical galaxy they may occur two or three times in a thousand years- and to be useful they must be detected while they are still brightening.

CATCH AN EXPLODING STAR



- Although such stellar explosions in our own galaxy are very rare if you could monitor a few thousand other galaxies you can expect about one type Ia will appear every month. Indeed, there are so many galaxies in the universe that somewhere in the sky supernova bright enough to study are occurring every few seconds.

TIME AND ABSOLUTE BRIGHTNESS

- The glow of this expanding fireball takes about 3 weeks to reach its maximum brightness and then declines over a period of months. These supernova vary slightly in their brilliance, but there is a pattern: *bigger, brighter* explosions last somewhat *longer* than fainter ones.

SUPERB CANDLES



- Type Ia supernova are so similar, whether nearby or far away, that the time at which the explosion starts can be determined just by looking at their spectrum.
- Type Ia Explosions are so bright that for a few days they can be brighter than the entire galaxy

COSMOLOGY PROJECT



- So by monitoring how long they last, astronomers can correct for the difference and deduce their inherent brightness to within 12 percent.
- Over the past few years modern light detectors have made these flashers the best calibrated standard candles known to astronomers.

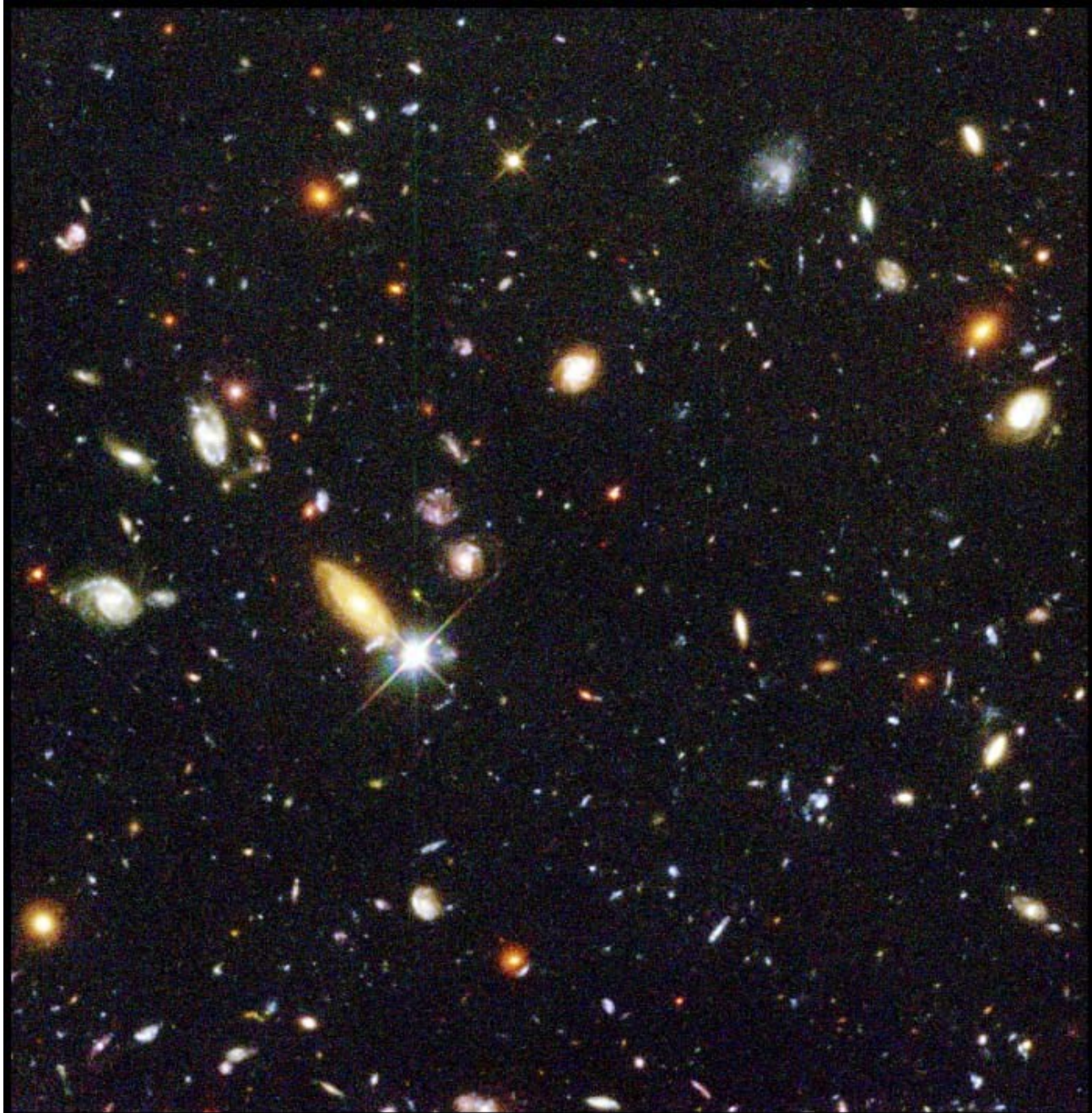
Astronomers Find a Way



- The deployment of large electronic light detectors on giant telescopes produce digital images of faint objects over sizeable swaths of the sky. A single exposure from these new cameras covers an area about as big as the full moon and creates a picture of 5000 galaxies in 10 minutes.

Preview CO





Hubble Deep Field

HST · WFPC2

PRC96-01a · ST Scl OPO · January 15, 1996 · R. Williams (ST Scl), NASA

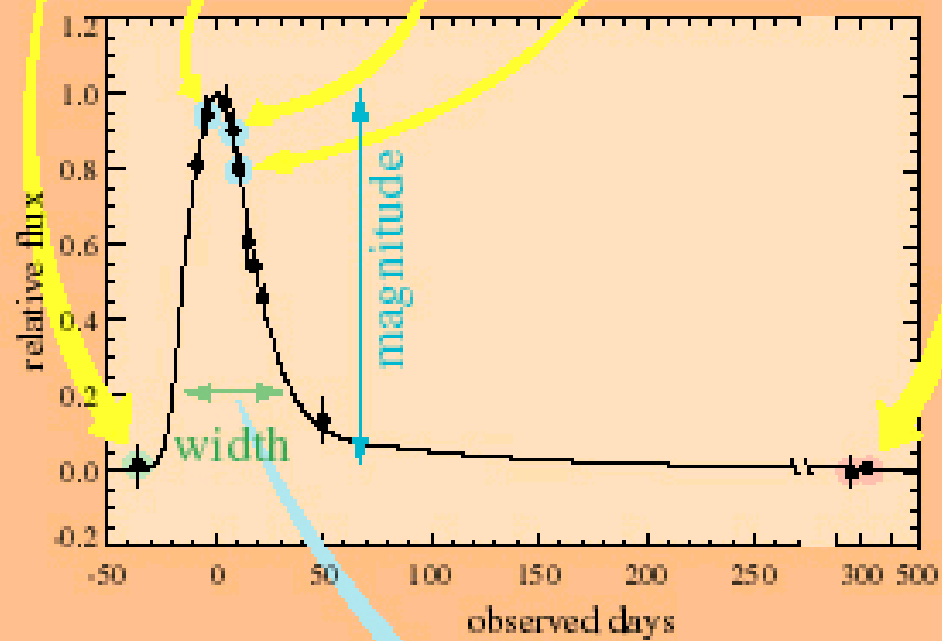
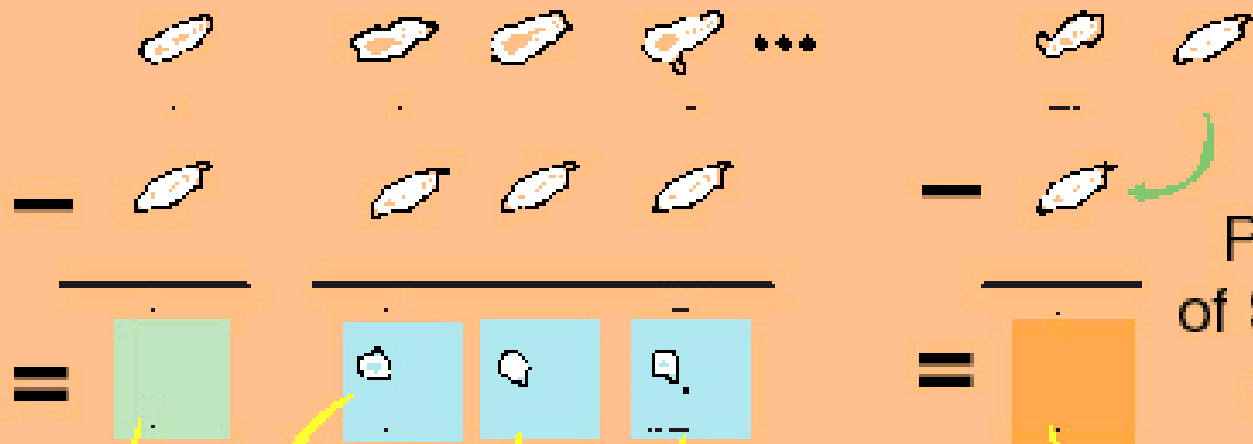
THE PROCEDURE IS SIMPLE

- Finding distant supernova Ia is just a matter of taking a picture of the same part of the sky a few weeks apart and searching for changes that might be exploding stars. Because the digital light detectors can count photons in each picture element precisely, we simply subtract the first image from the second and look for significant differences from zero.

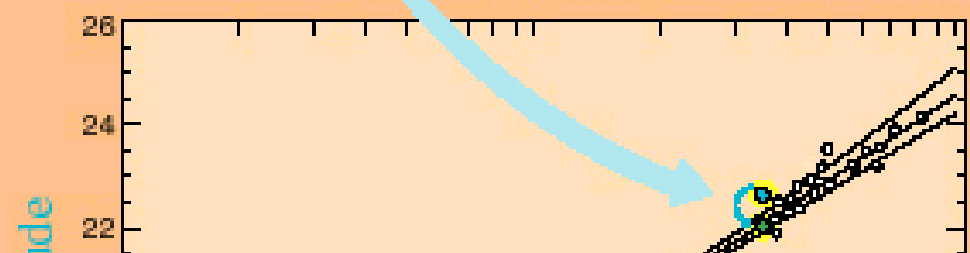
WHAT'S THE WEATHER?



- Because we are checking thousands of galaxies in each pair of images we can be confident that the search of multiple pairs will find many supernova-as long as the weather is good.

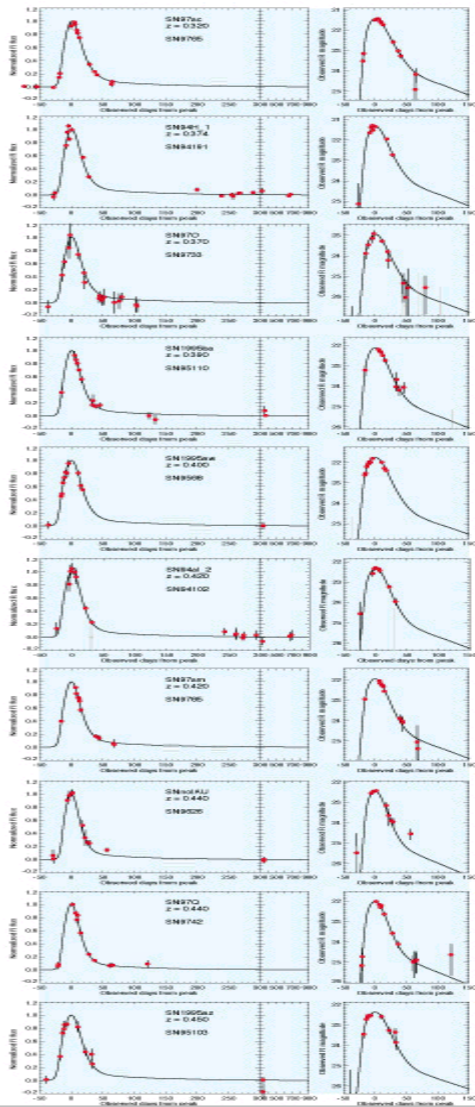


2. Fit to low- z SN light curves (K -corrected & time-dilated)



Type Ia Supernovae

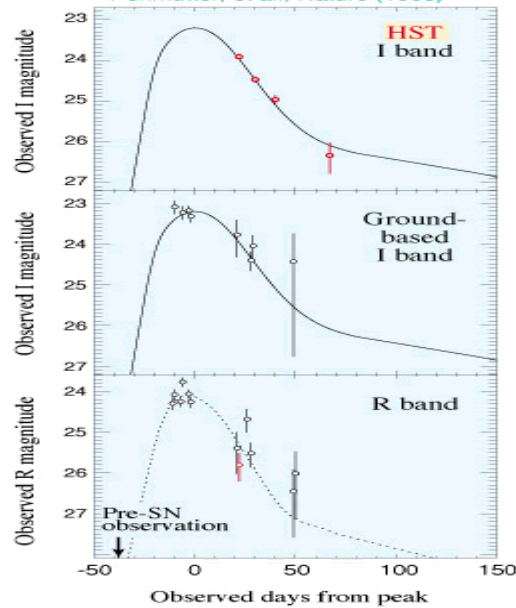
from $z = 0.32$...
observed from the ground



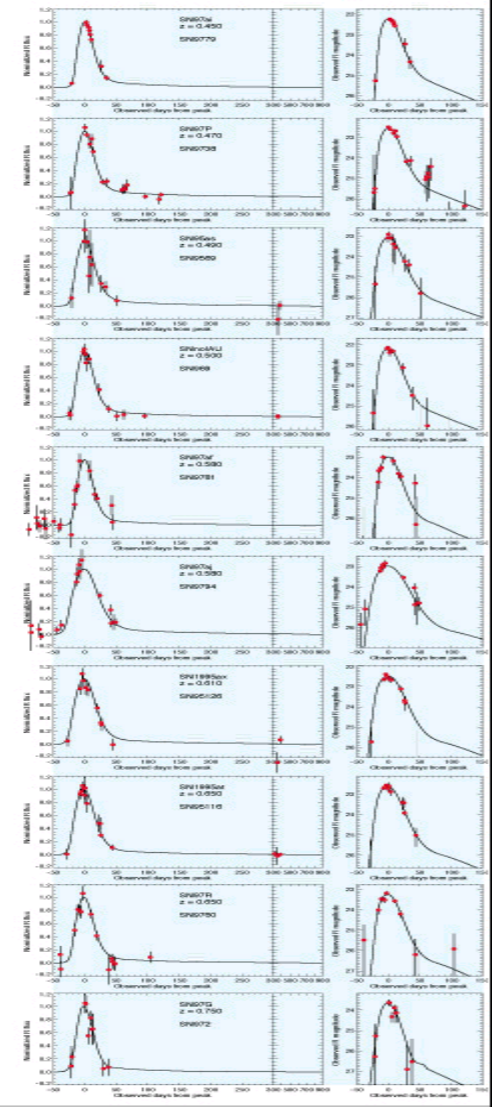
Light Curves

SN 1997ap at $z = 0.83$
observed from the
ground and with the HST

Perlmutter, et al., *Nature* (1998)



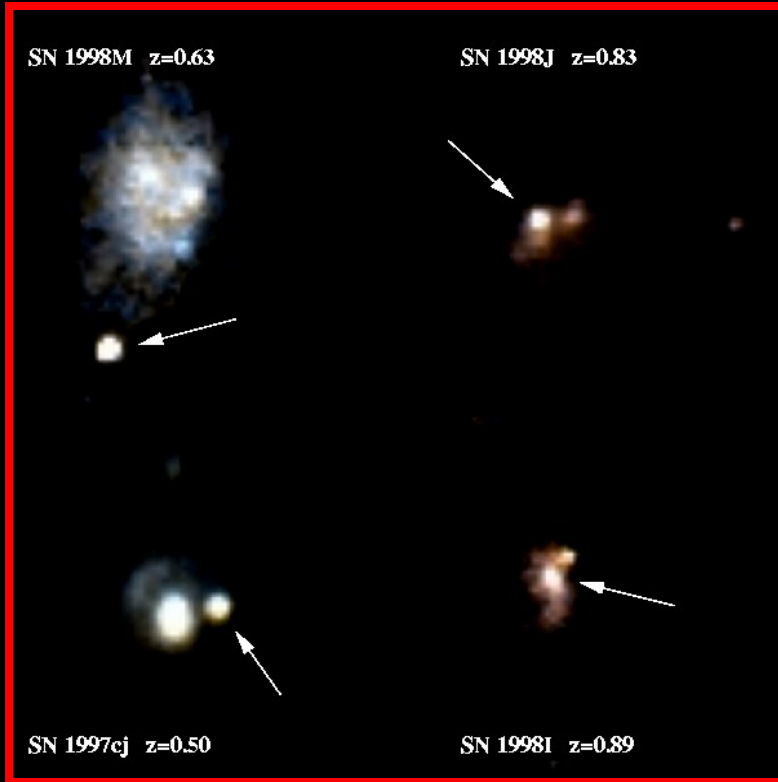
... to $z = 0.75$
observed from the ground



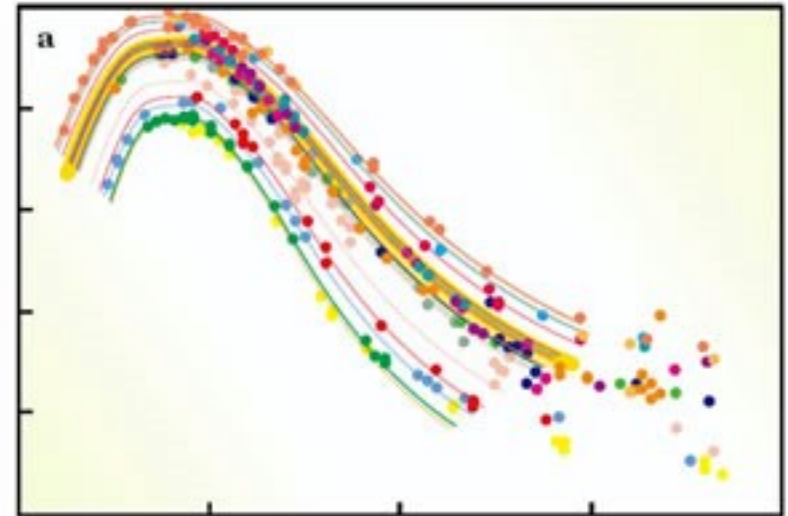
We observe most of the supernovae for approximately two months in both the R and I bands (corresponding approximately to the restframe B and V bands for the median redshift). At high redshifts, a significant fraction of this host galaxy light is within the seeing disk of the supernova, so final observations about one year later are usually necessary to observe (and subtract) the host galaxy light after the supernova has faded. The plots to the left and the right show just the R band light curves for about half of the 40 supernovae that have been completely observed and analyzed so far. The plots above show the highest redshift spectroscopically confirmed supernova, which was observed with the Hubble Space Telescope.



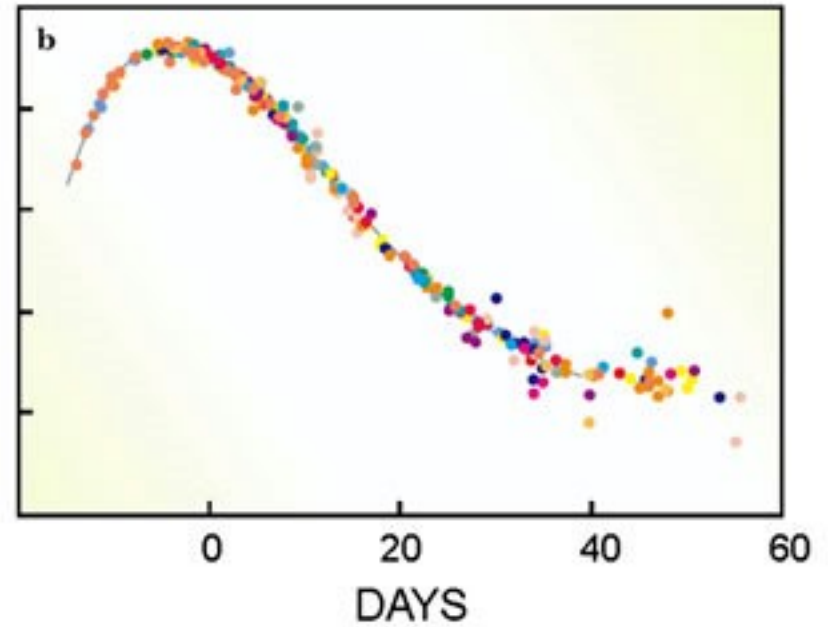
...bright,



ABSOLUTE MAGNITUDE
(BRIGHTNESS)



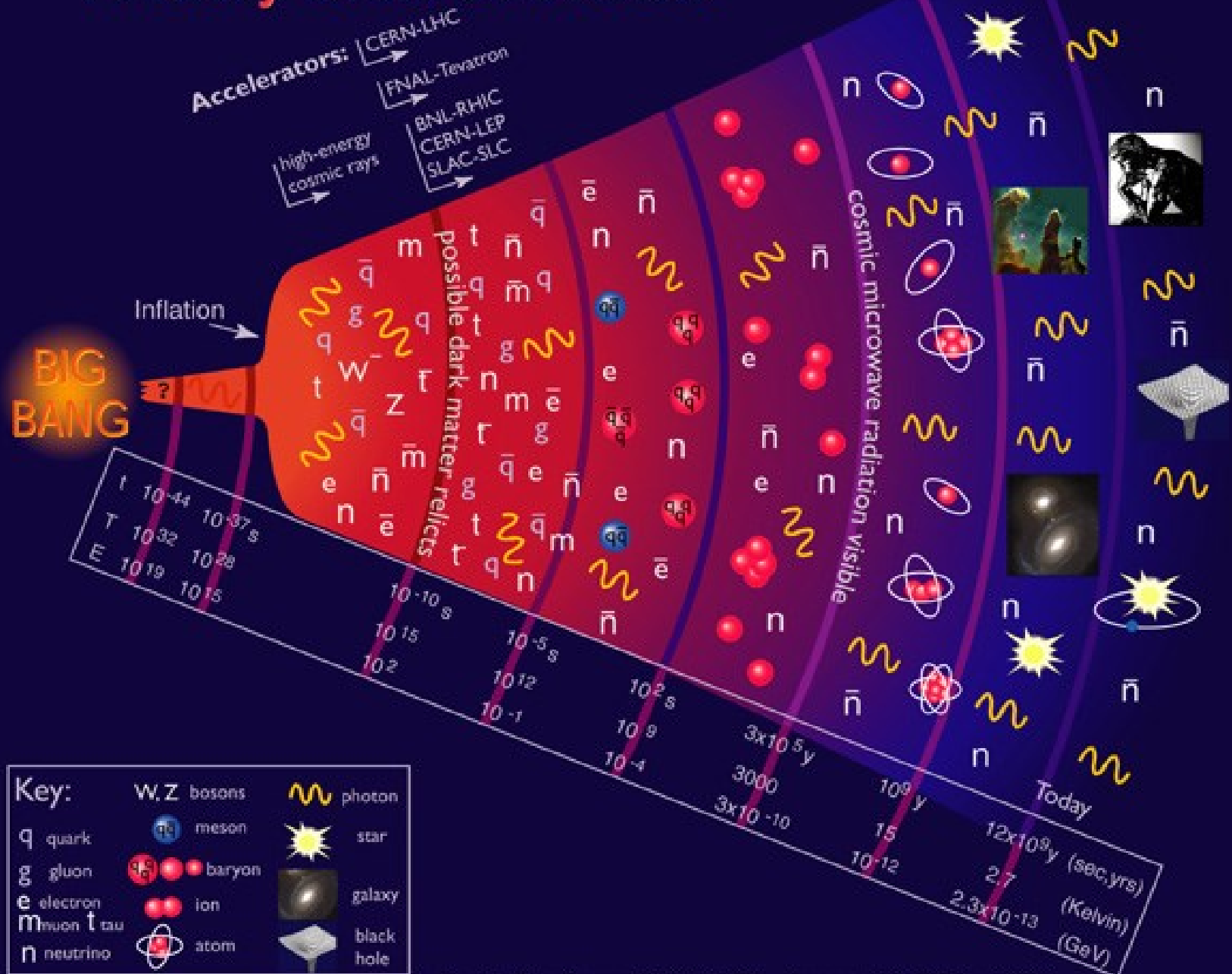
SCALED MAGNITUDE
(BRIGHTNESS)





- Then with the help of the Keck Telescope in Hawaii we confirm the spectrum and redshift. We then call the Hubble telescope into action to study the most distant supernova, giving much more accurate data than can be achieved from the ground.

History of the Universe



THE UNSEEN EFFECT OF

DARK MATTER



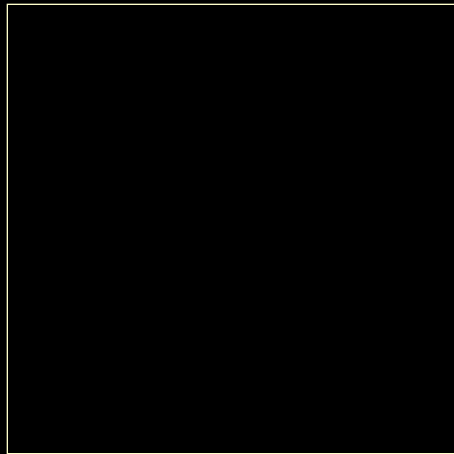
Overview



- Definition
- Current Understanding
- Detection Methods
- Cosmological Impact

Definition of Dark Matter

Matter that can be seen by its gravitational effects, but does not emit light.



Dark Matter



Not Dark Matter

Hot or Cold?



Dark matter comes in two forms:

Hot Dark Matter (HDM)

- very small particles (neutrinos)
- relativistic velocities

Cold Dark Matter (CDM)

- more massive and slower
- able to form smaller structures like galaxies

Baryons vs. Non-Baryons

CDM could be made of two types of matter

Baryons

- Strongly interacting fermions
- "Normal" matter

The most famous baryons are the protons and neutrons which make up most of the mass of the visible matter in the universe

Non-Baryons

- Formed during the Big Bang
- Suitable candidate not directly observed (yet)

Baryonic matter is matter composed mostly of baryons (by mass), which includes atoms of any sort (and thus includes nearly all matter that we may encounter or experience in everyday life, including our bodies). **Non-baryonic matter**, as implied by the name, is any sort of matter that is not primarily composed of baryons. This might include such ordinary matter as neutrinos or free electrons; however, it may also include exotic species of non-baryonic dark matter, such as supersymmetric particles, or black holes. The distinction between baryonic and non-baryonic matter is important in cosmology, because Big Bang nucleosynthesis models set tight constraints on the amount of baryonic matter present in the early universe.

MACHOs

MAssive Compact Halo Objects

- Brown Dwarfs
- Exist in the halo of galaxies
- Attempts to explain Cold Dark Matter without new particles





WIMPs

Weakly Interacting Massive Particles

- Undiscovered non-baryonic particle
- Interacts only through the weak and gravitational forces
- High mass corresponds to a lower kinetic energy, making the particle “cold”

WIMPs



Supersymmetry

- Several candidates for WIMPs are predicted by supersymmetry
- Neutralinos are the most probable
 - non-interacting
 - Combination of Z-boson, photon, and Higgs boson superpartners

Consensus?



- No WIMPs have been directly observed
- Groups studying MACHOs have not found enough objects to account for the missing mass problem
- Cold Dark Matter probably a mixture of both baryonic and non-baryonic matter
- We still do not know for sure

Looking for WIMPs



Several groups are currently running experiments to find WIMPs

- Cryogenic Dark Matter Search (CDMS)
 - Cryogenically cooled crystals
- DAMA experiment
 - Scintillation detectors

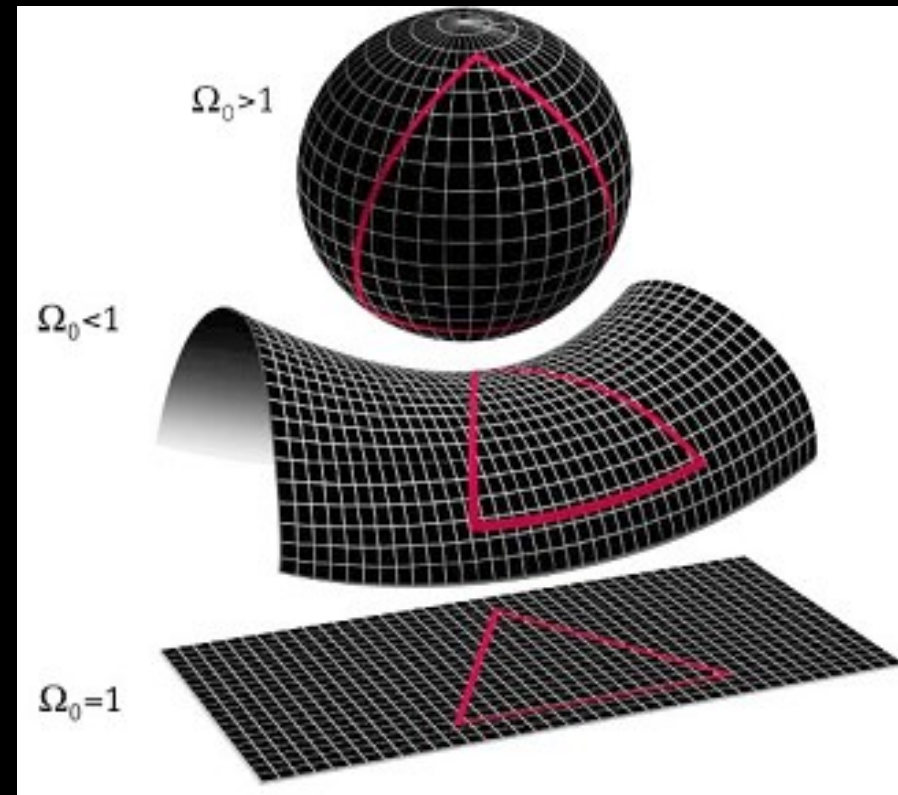
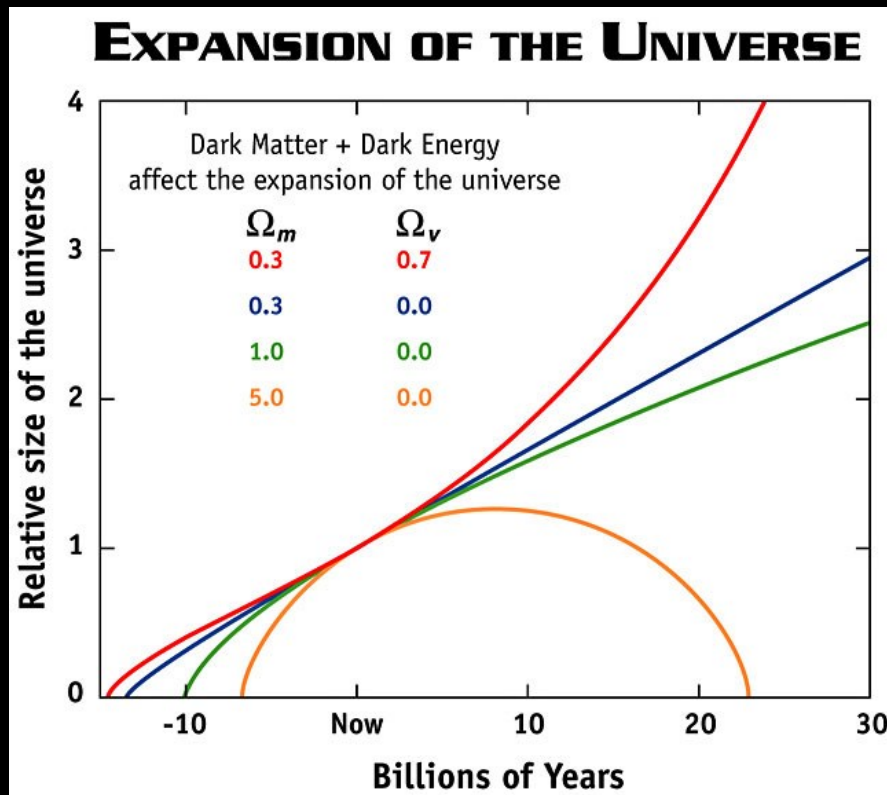
Both detect the collision between a WIMP and target nuclei

Universal Composition



Universal Implications

$$\Omega = \text{Actual Density} / \text{Critical Density}$$



Universal Overview



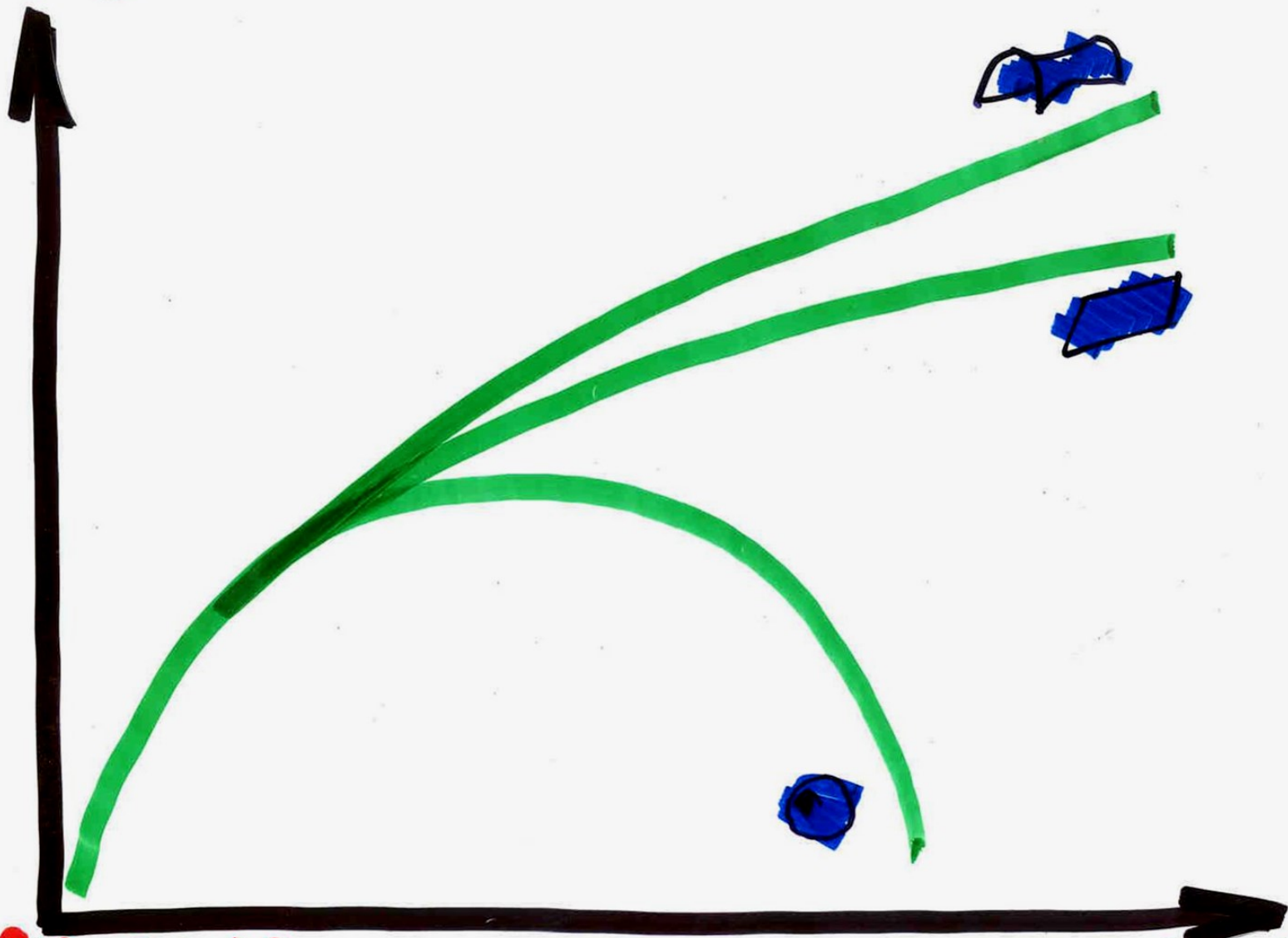
- Dark matter slows the universal expansion rate
- Density of dark matter affects the fate of the universe
 - Low density leads to accelerating expansion
 - High density leads to Big Crunch
- Dark matter density affects the universal geometry
 - Low density leads to open universe
 - High density leads to closed universe

Universal Overview



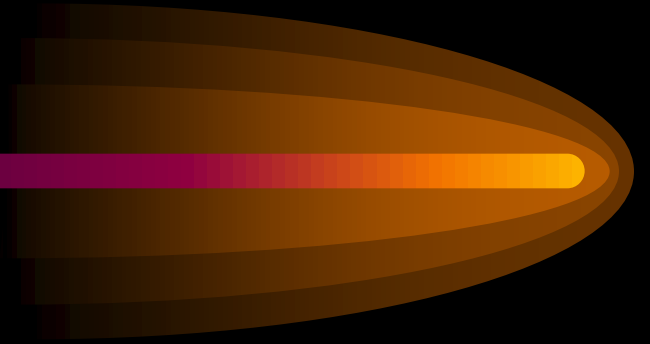
- Current measurements indicate a flat universe with accelerating expansion
- The existence of dark matter can explain these observations
- Detecting dark matter can confirm measurements

SIZE



BIG BANG

TIME



The summit of Cerro Tololo in Chile



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SPECIAL REPORT:
**Revolution
in Cosmology**

New observations have
smashed the old
view of our
universe.

What now?

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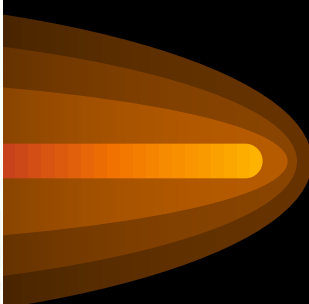
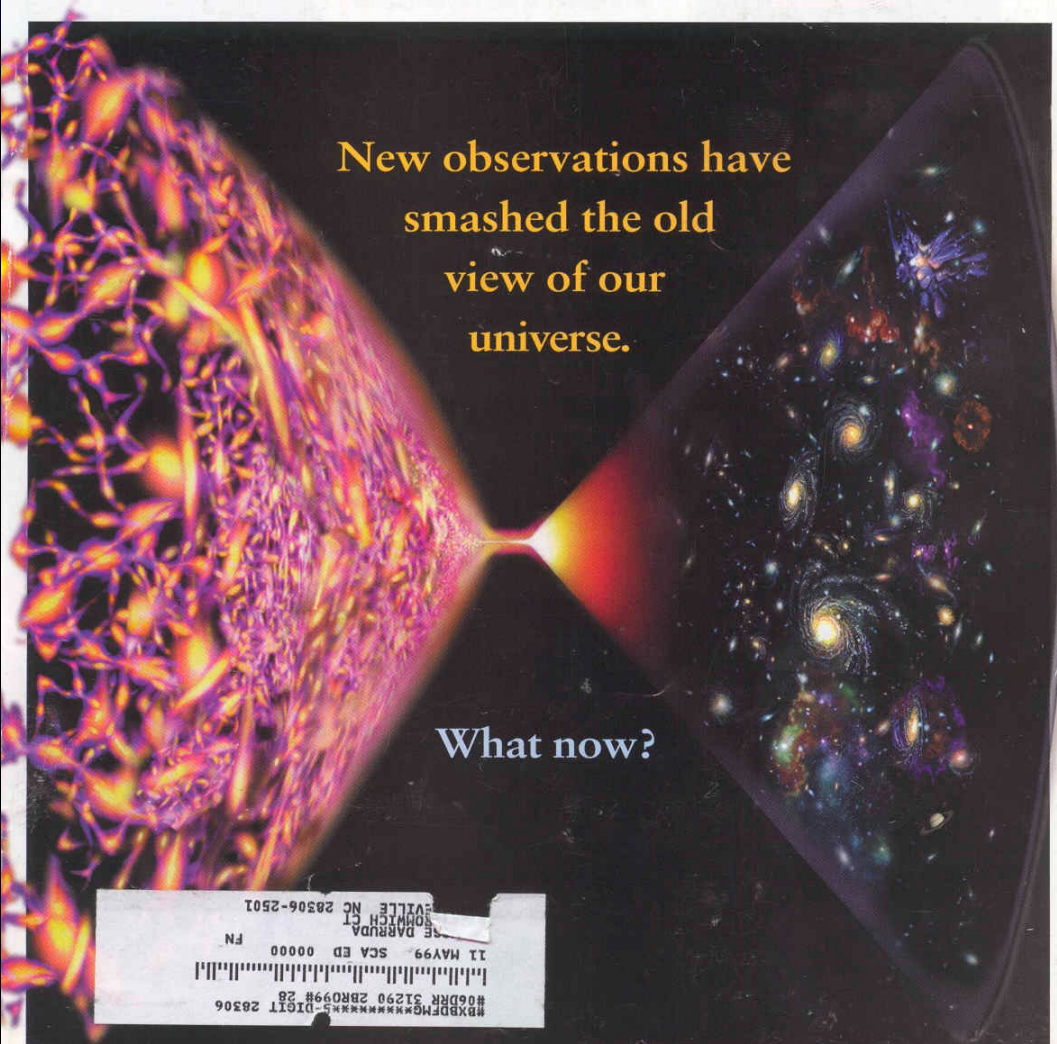
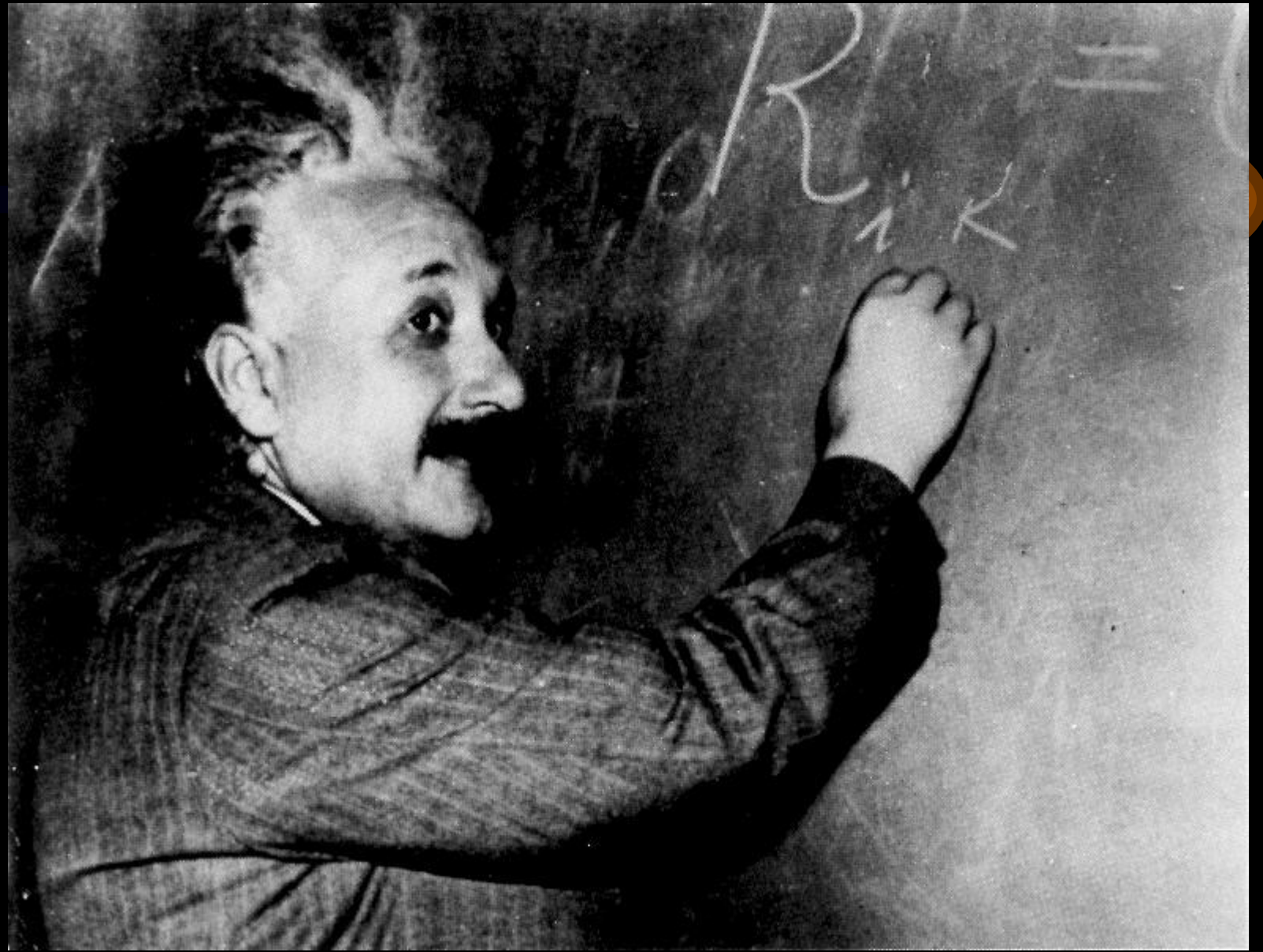
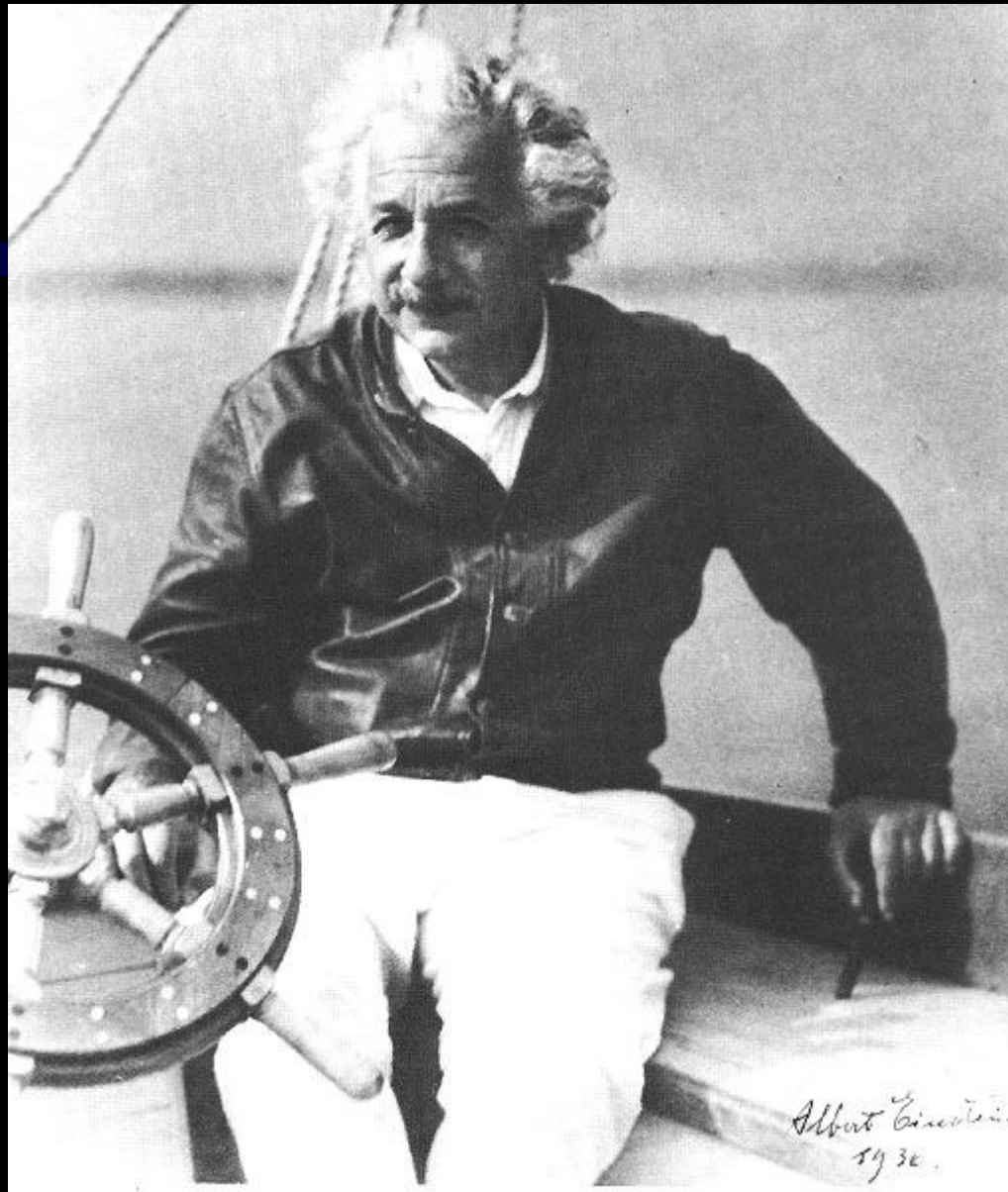


Table 29-1 The Four Forces

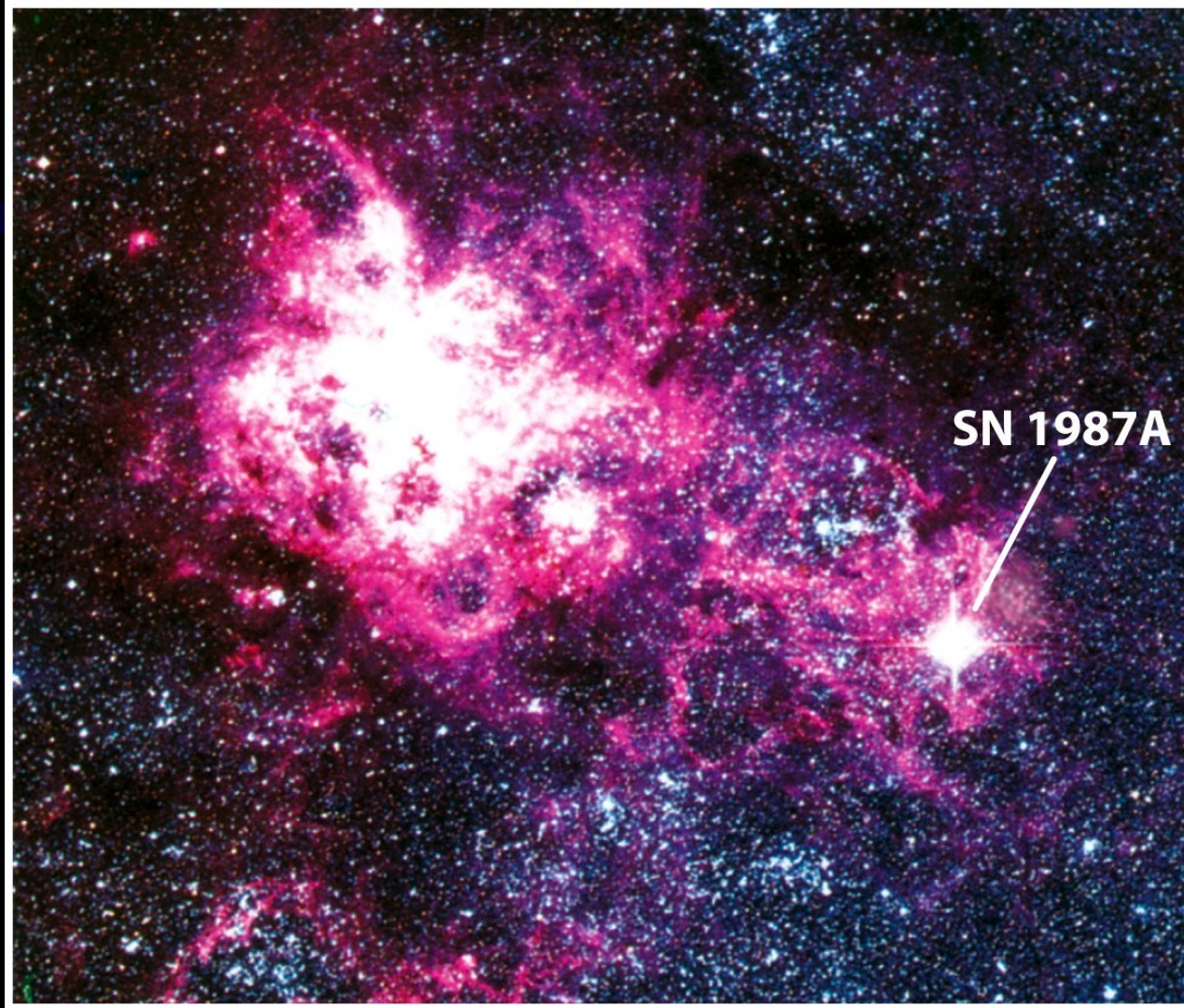
Force	Relative strength	Particles exchanged	Particles on which the force can act	Range	Example
Strong	1	Gluons	Quarks	10^{-15} m	Holding nuclei together
Electromagnetic	$\frac{1}{137}$	Photons	Charged particles	Infinite	Holding atoms together
Weak	10^{-4}	Intermediate vector bosons	Quarks, electrons, neutrinos	10^{-16} m	Radioactive decay
Gravitational	6×10^{-39}	Gravitons	Everything	Infinite	Holding the solar system together





Albert Einstein
1936

SN 1987A



More than 99% of the energy from such a supernova is emitted in the form of neutrinos from the collapsing core

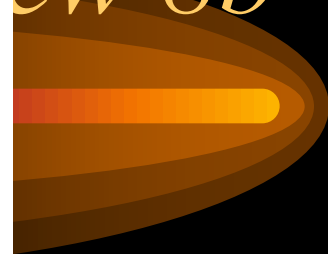
We live in a universe

- **governed by physical laws.** The universe is understandable.
- **where the speed of light is finite.** We can look back in time.
- **that had a beginning** about 14 billion years ago.
 -
 - **illuminated by starlight** -- for now.



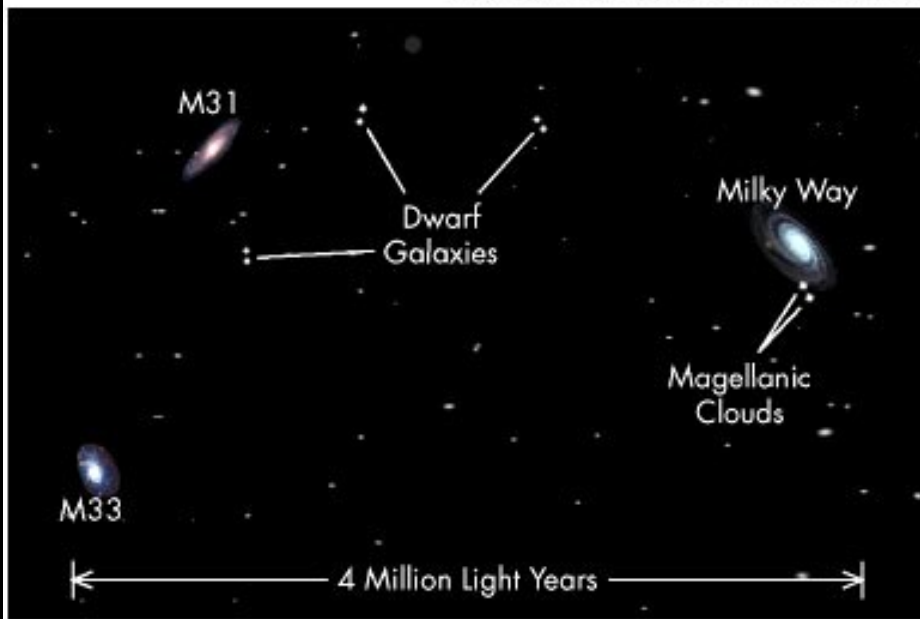
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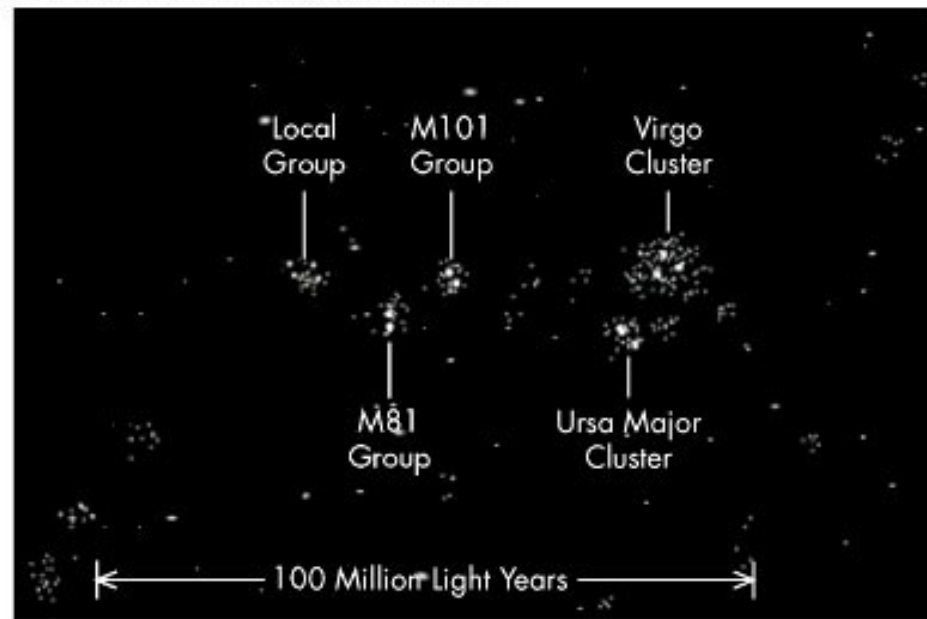


Preview 9

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Preview 9a



Preview 9b

Local
Group

M101
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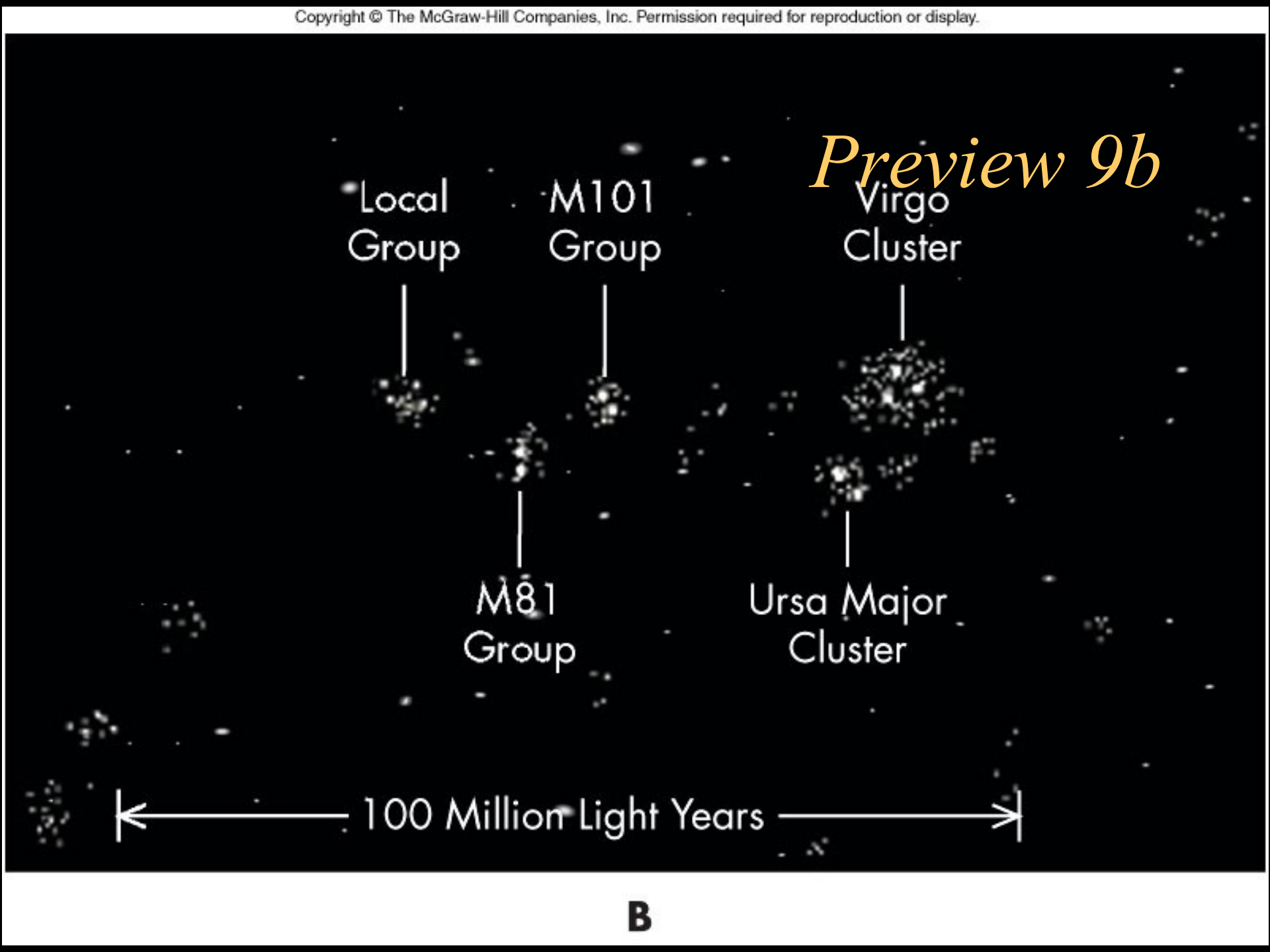
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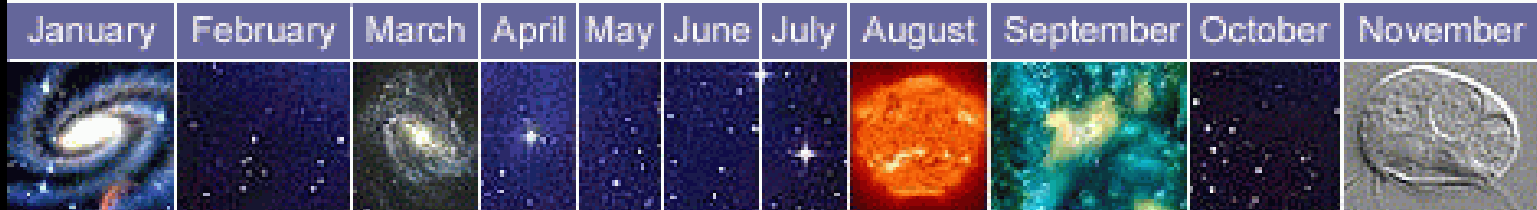
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← 100 Million Light Years →

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New Year's Day: The Big Bang

Mily Way forms

Sun and planets form

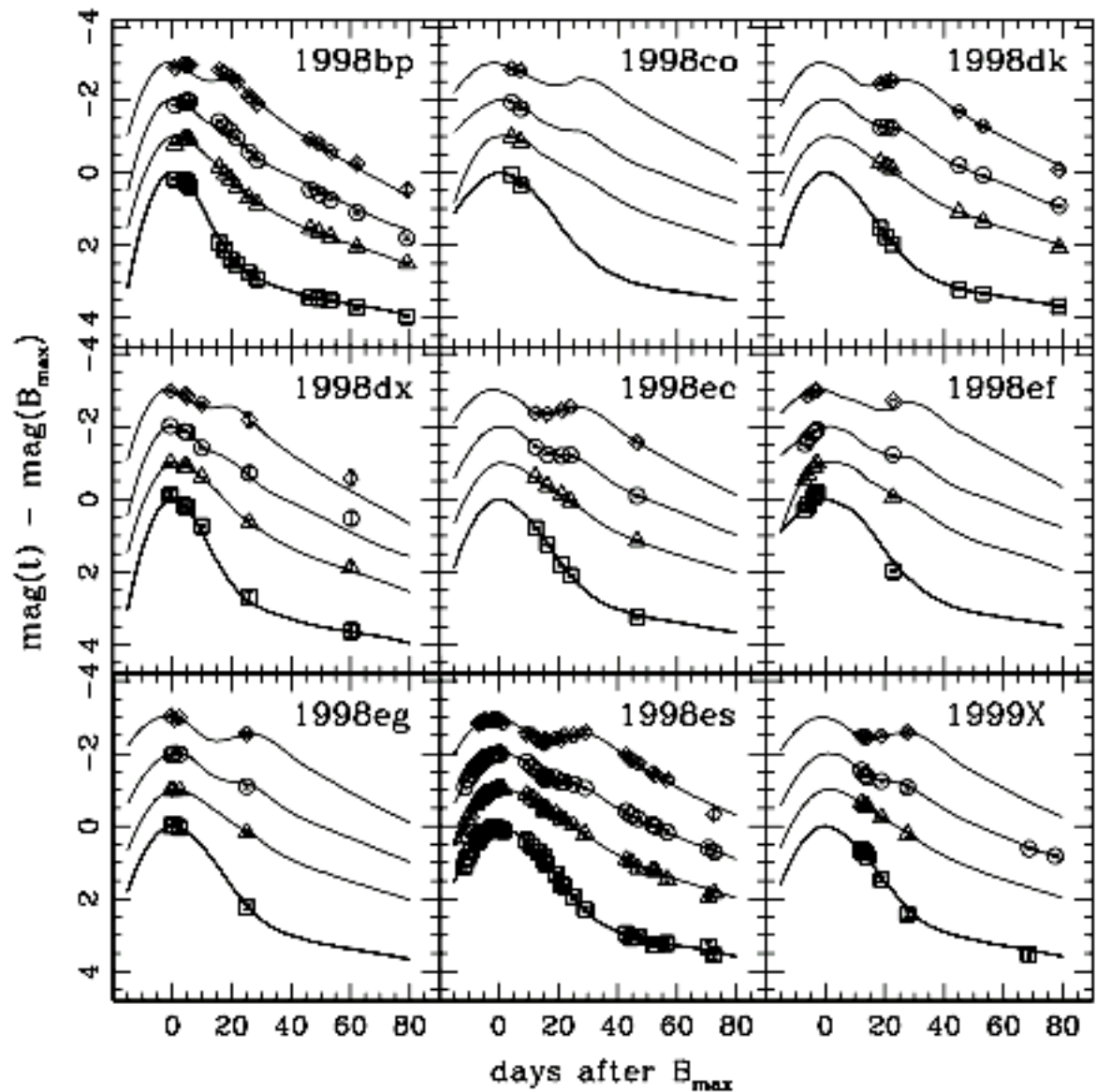
Oldest known life.(single celled).

First multi-cellular organisms

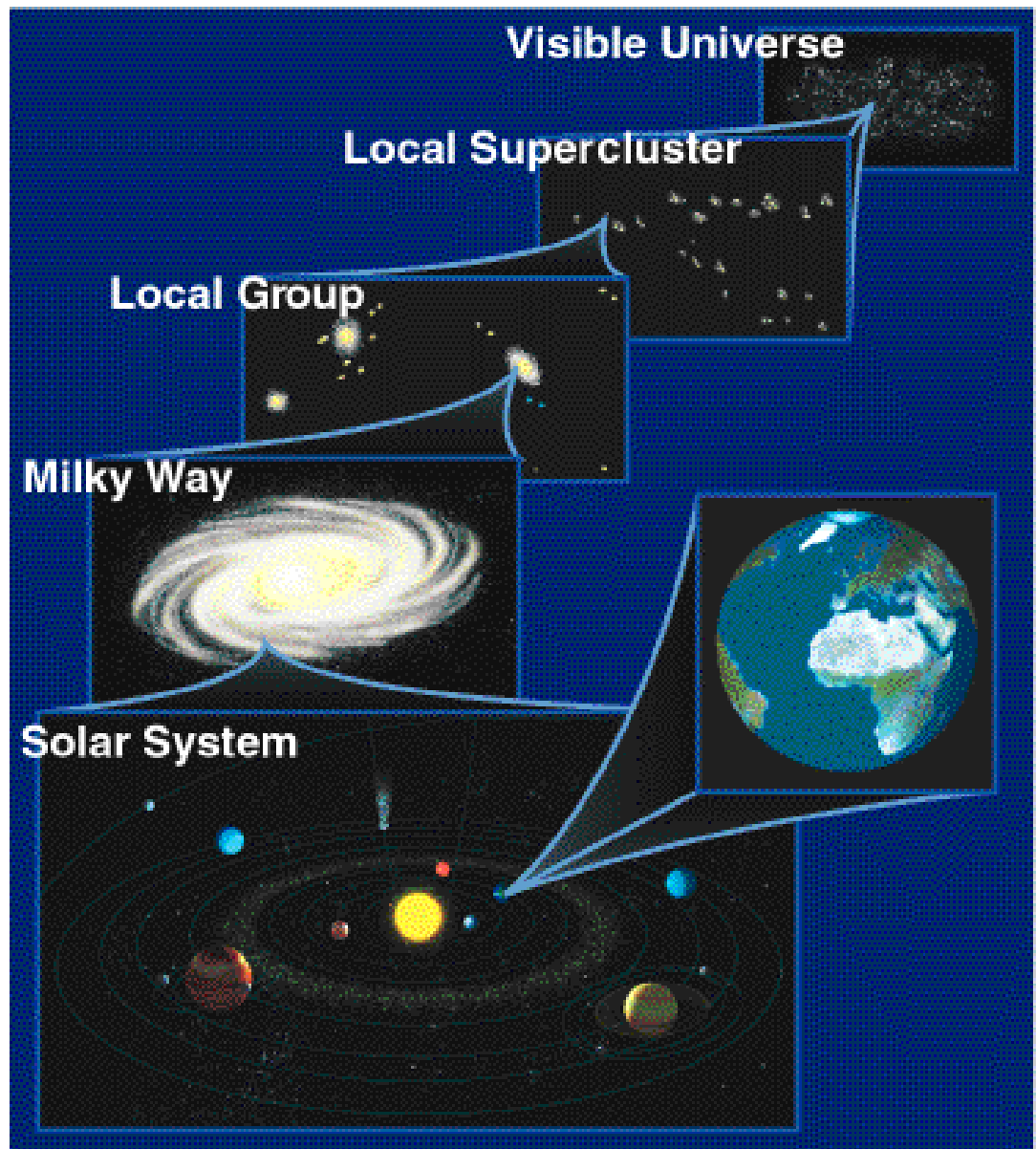
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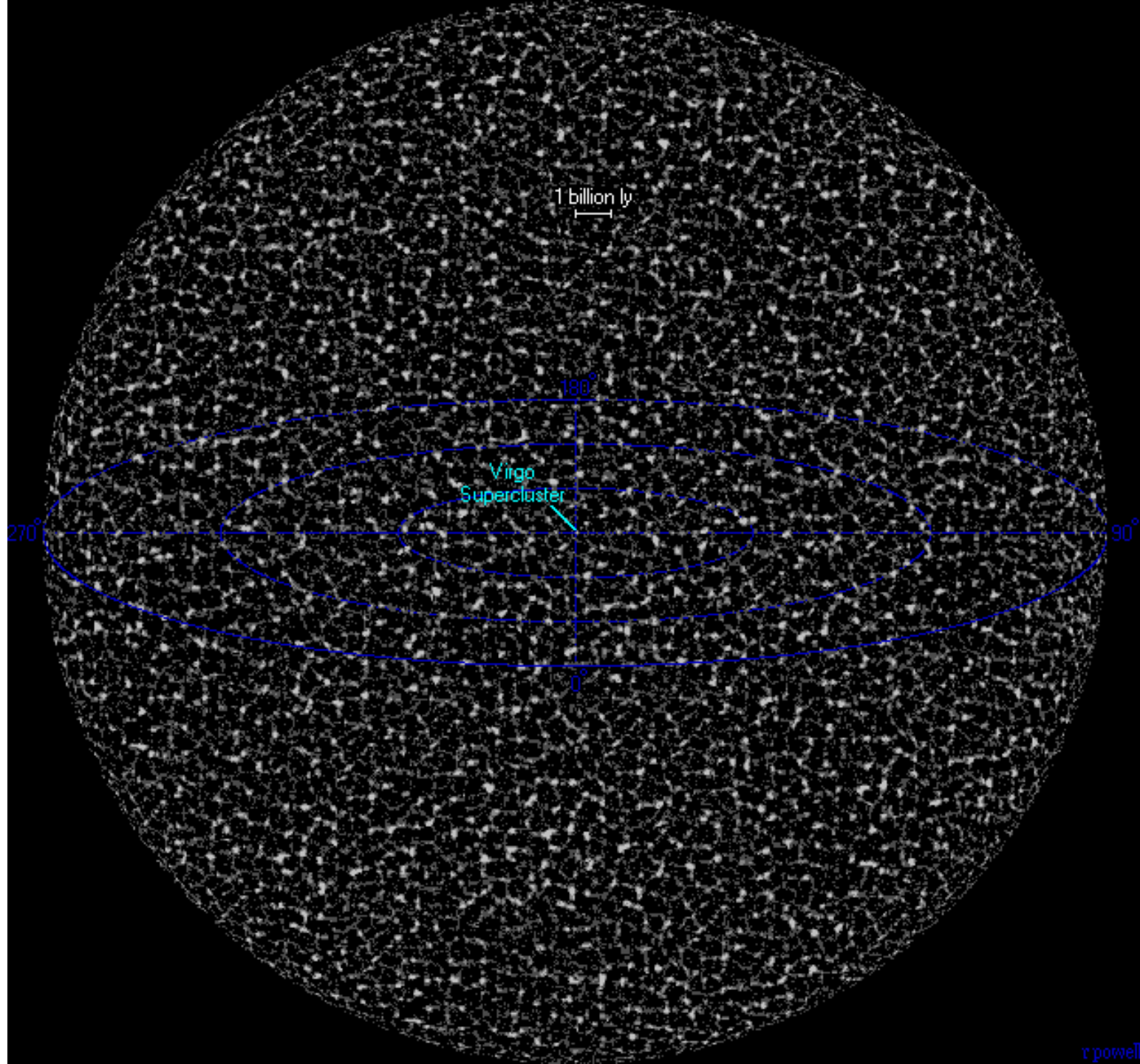
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8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15 Cambrian Explosion (burst of new life forms)	16	17 Emergence of first vertebrates	18 Early land plants	19	20 First four-limbed animals	21 Variety of insects begin to flourish
22	23	24 First dinosaurs appear	25 First mammalian ancestors appear	26	27 First known birds	28
29  Dinosaurs wiped out by asteroid or comet	30	31 10:15am Apes appear 9:24pm First human ancestors to walk upright 10:48pm Homo erectus appears 11:54pm Anatomically modern humans appear 11:59:45pm Invention of writing 11:59:50pm Pyramids built in Egypt 1 second before midnight: Voyage of Christopher Columbus				

Published Light Curves for Nearby Supernovae



How Earth Fits into the Universe





1 billion ly

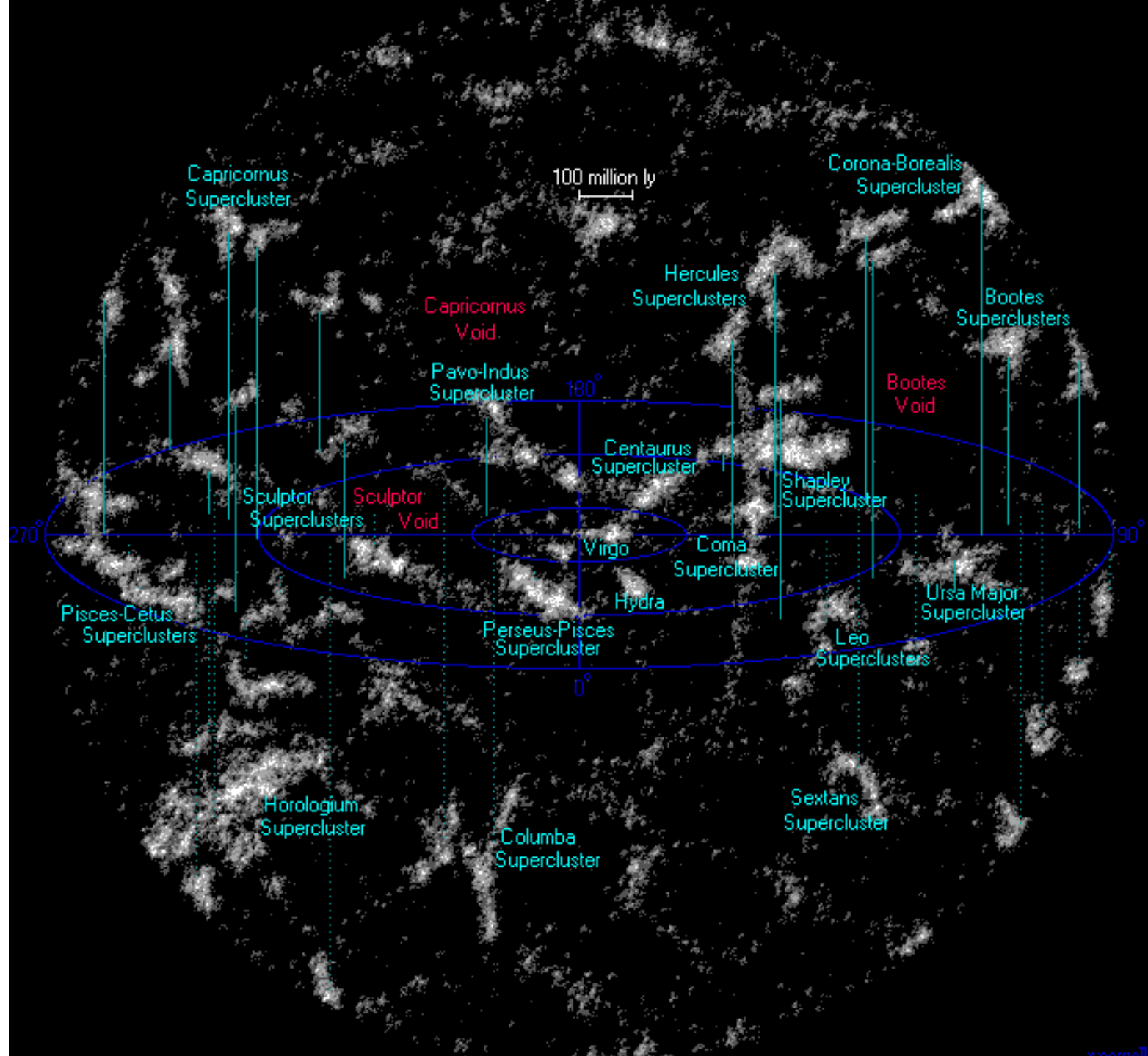
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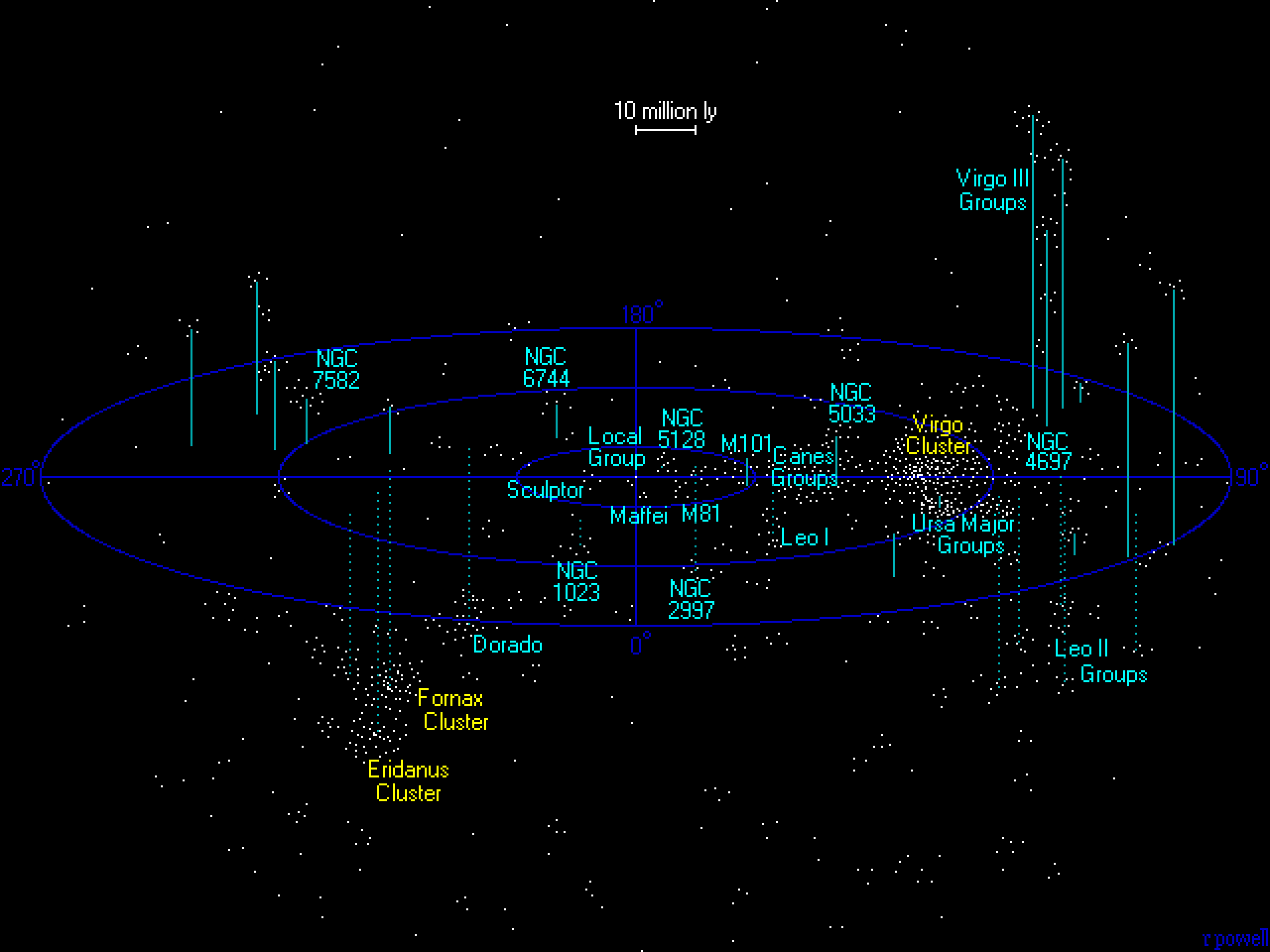
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Supercluster

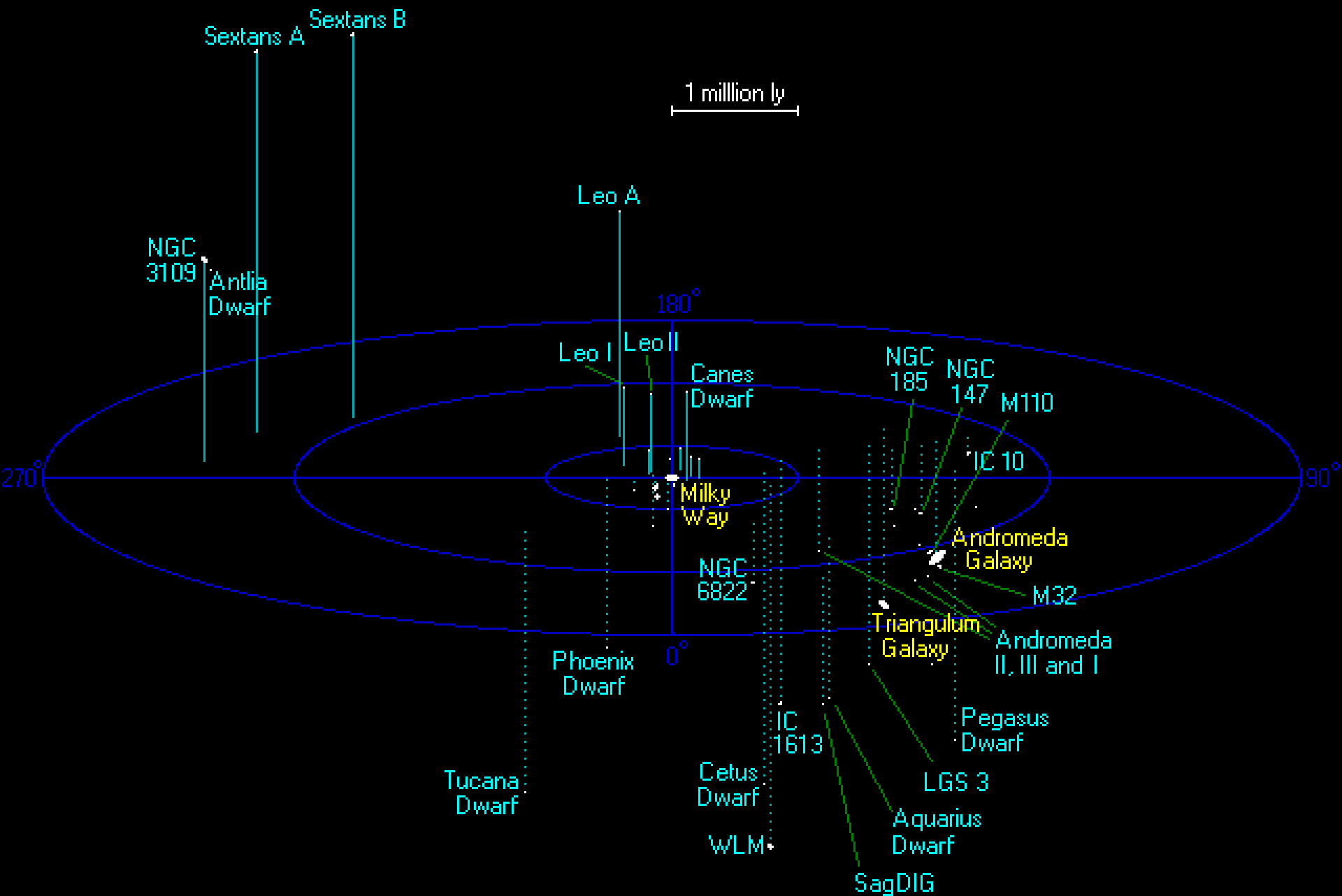
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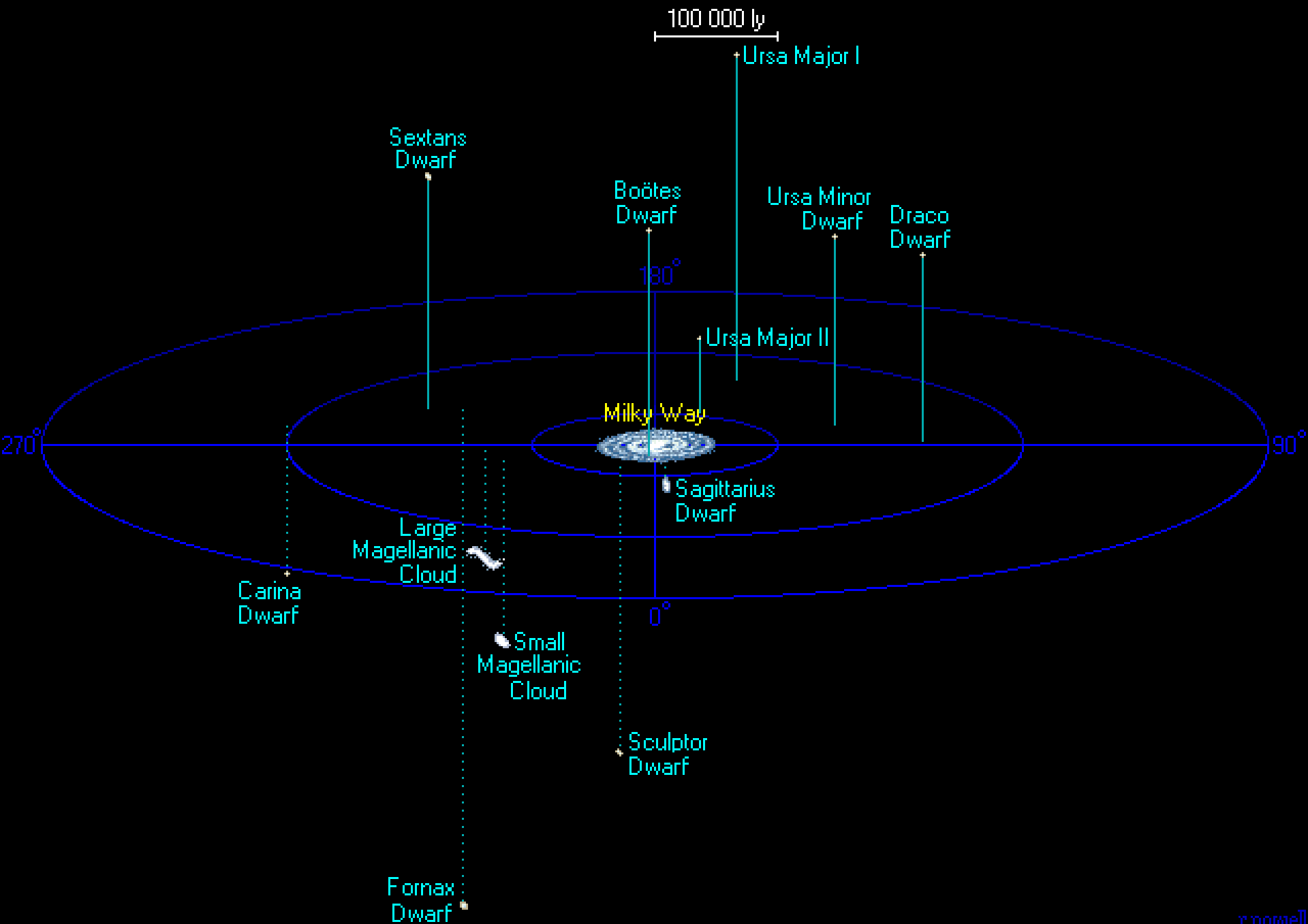
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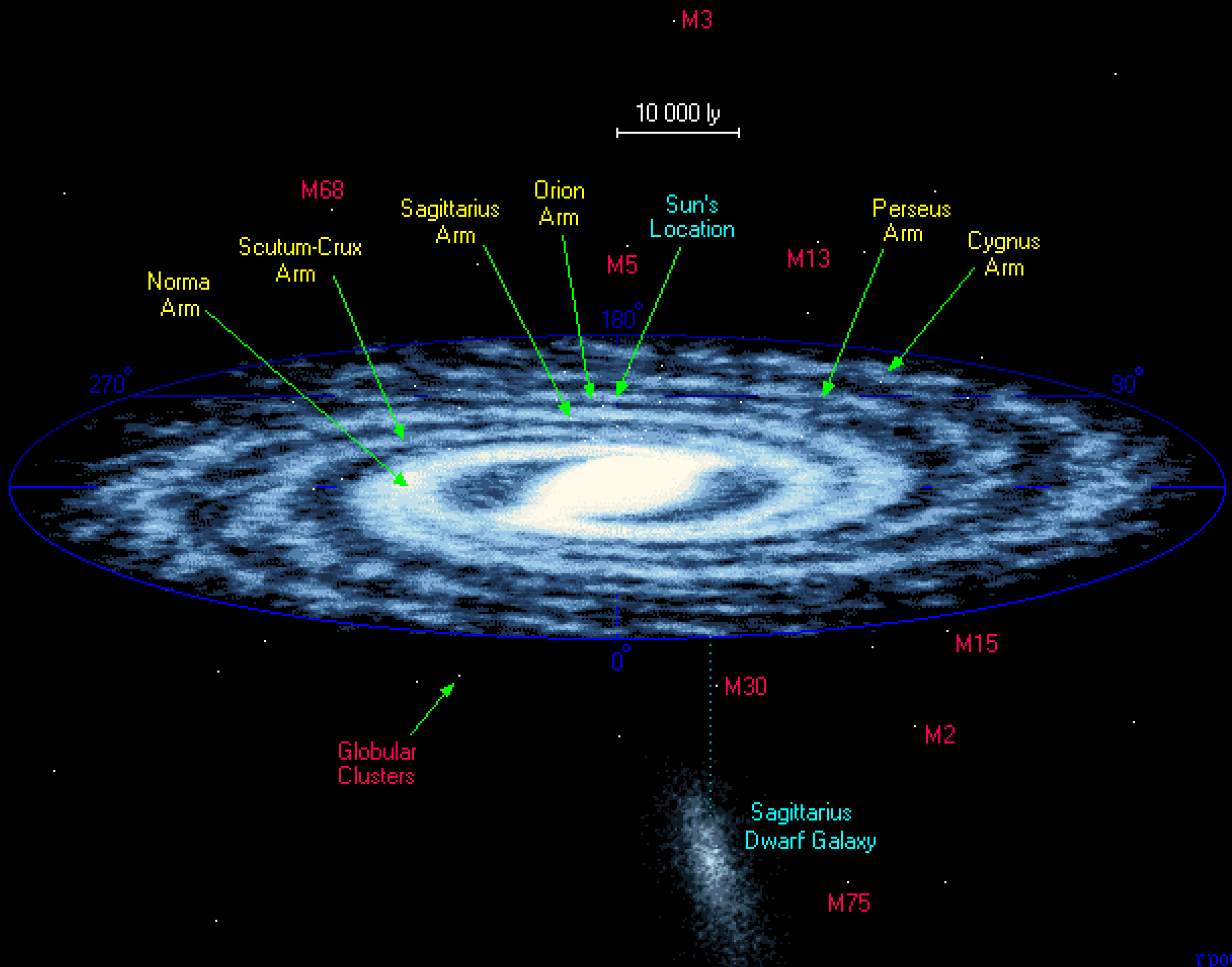
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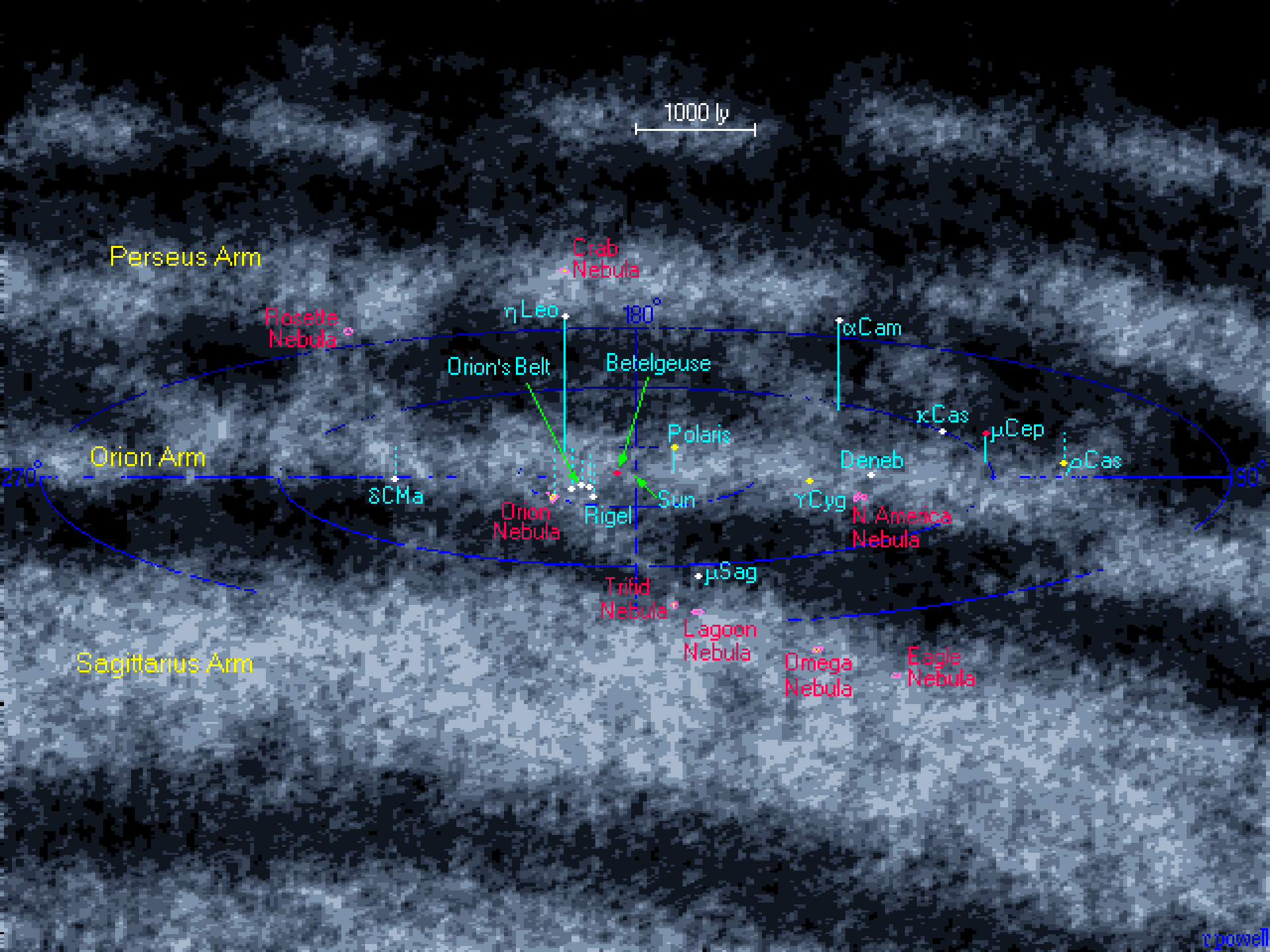


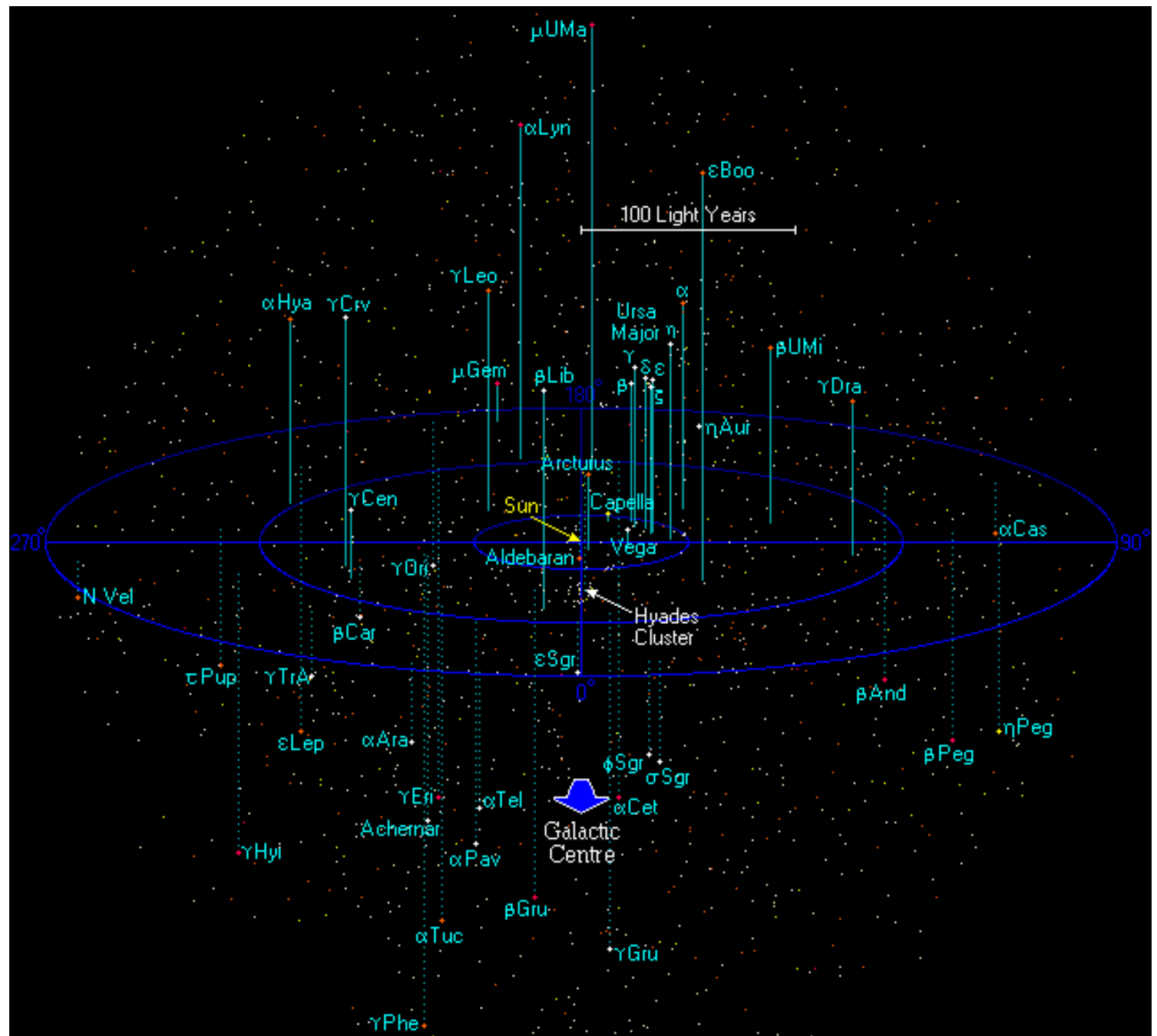


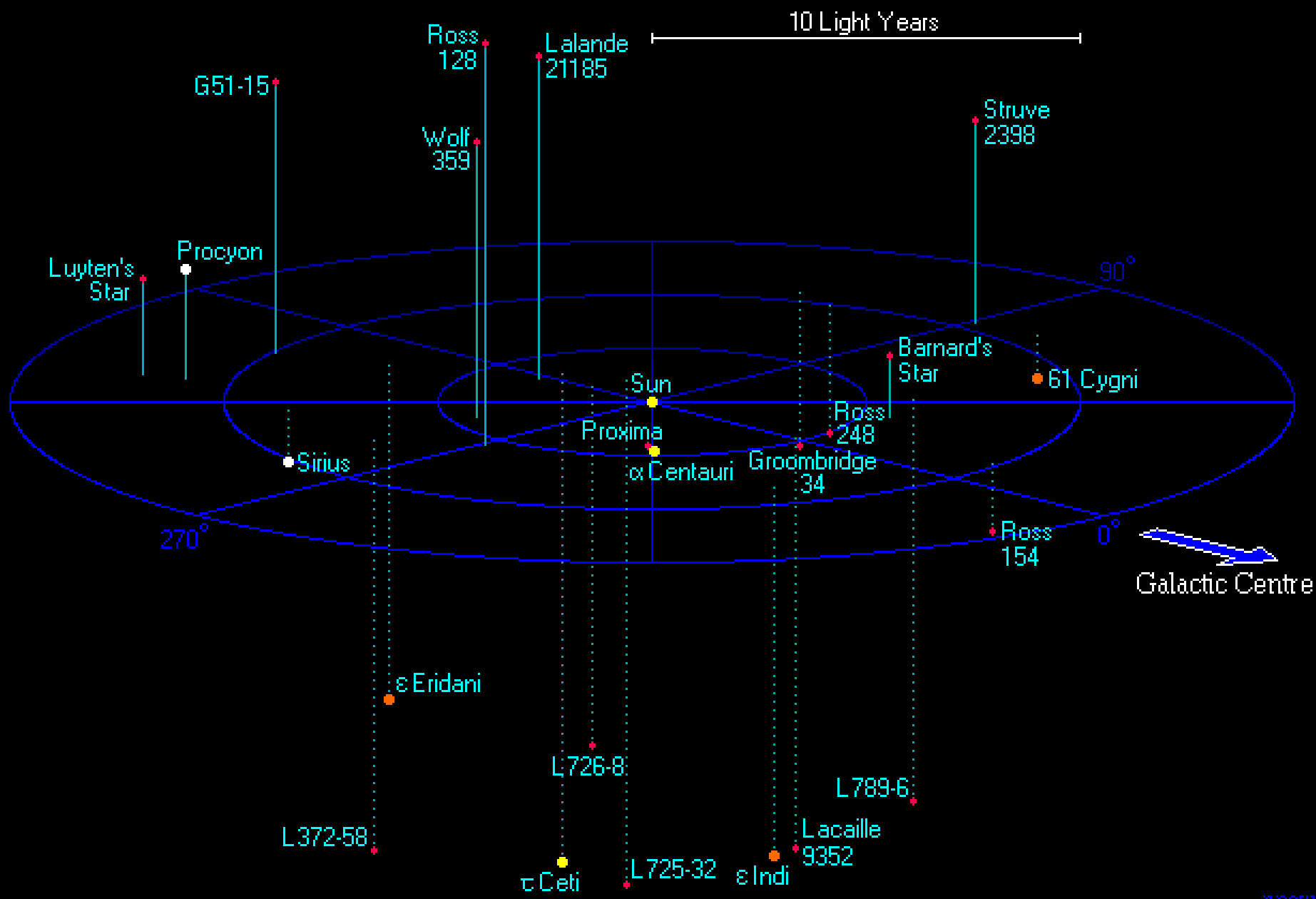


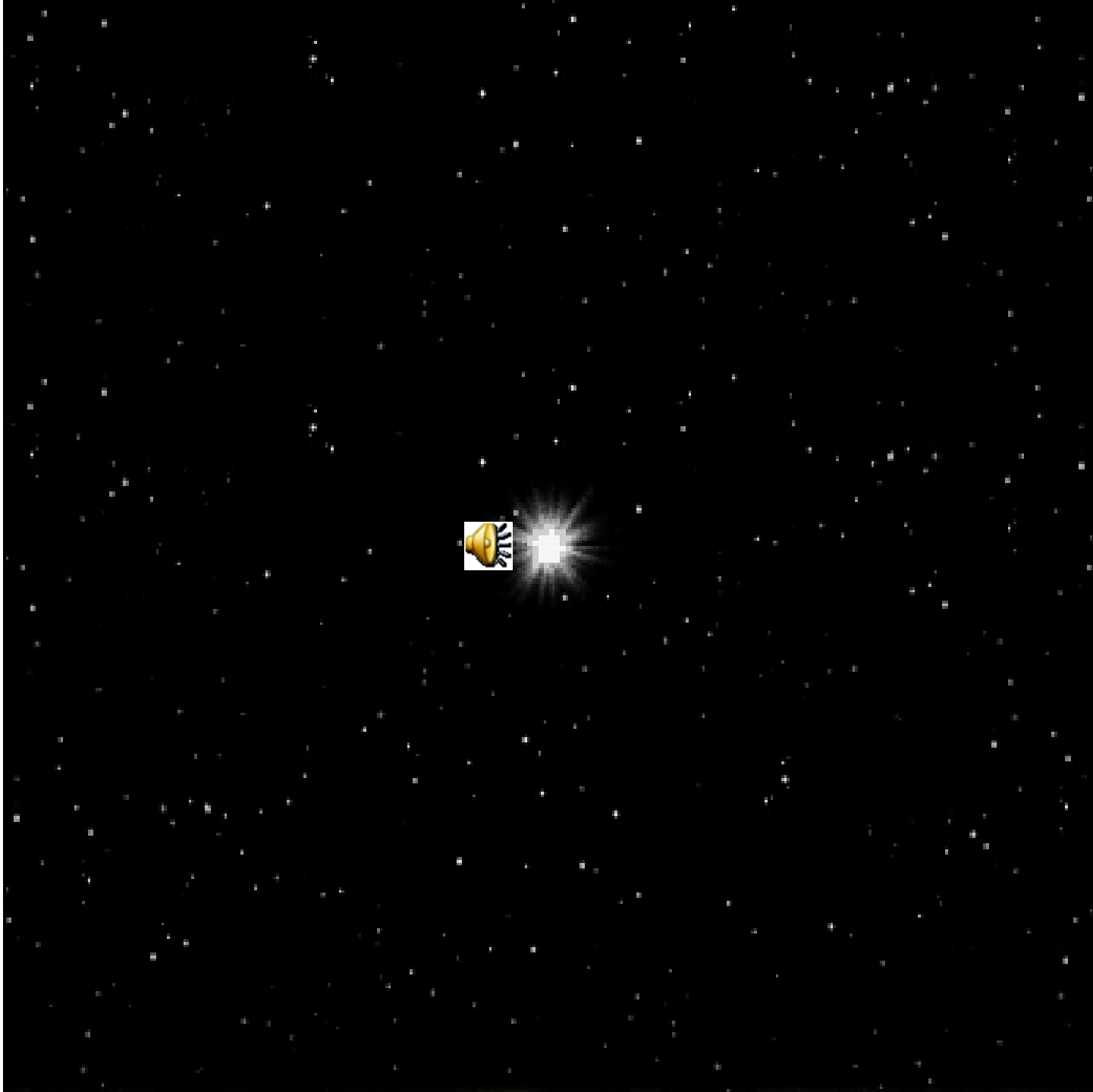




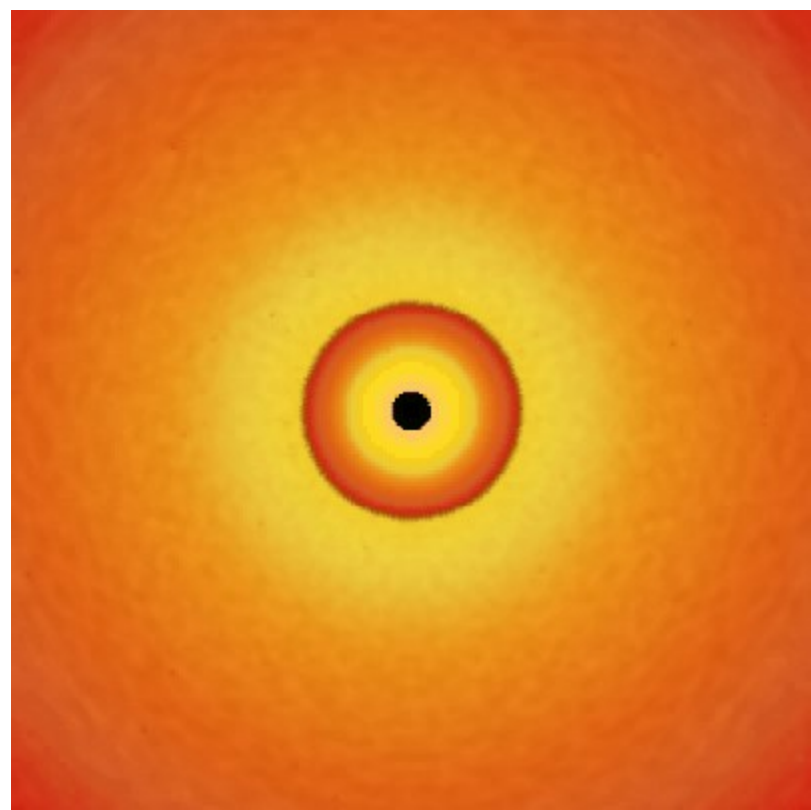
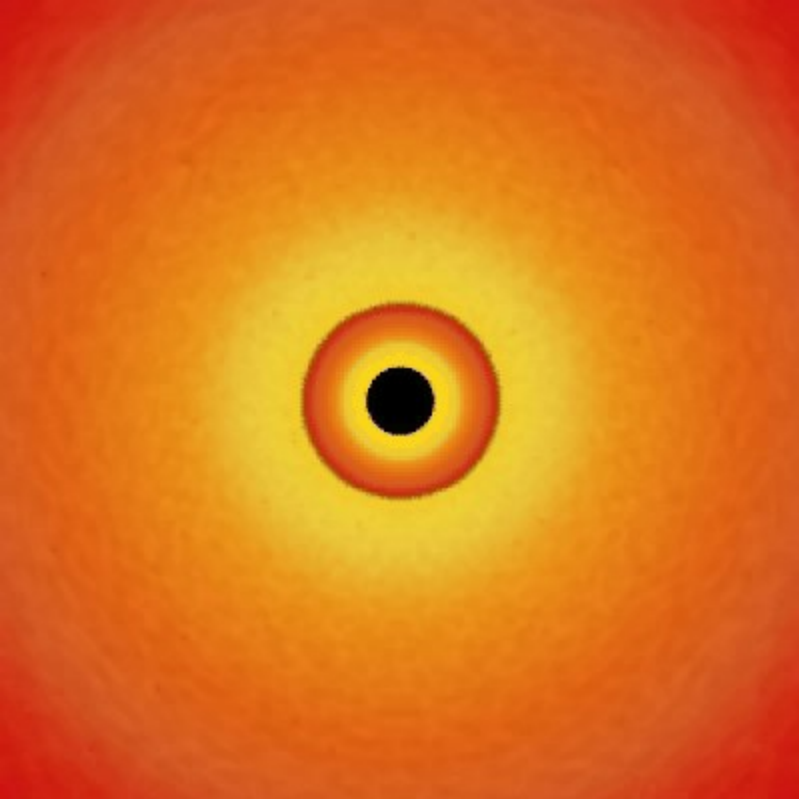






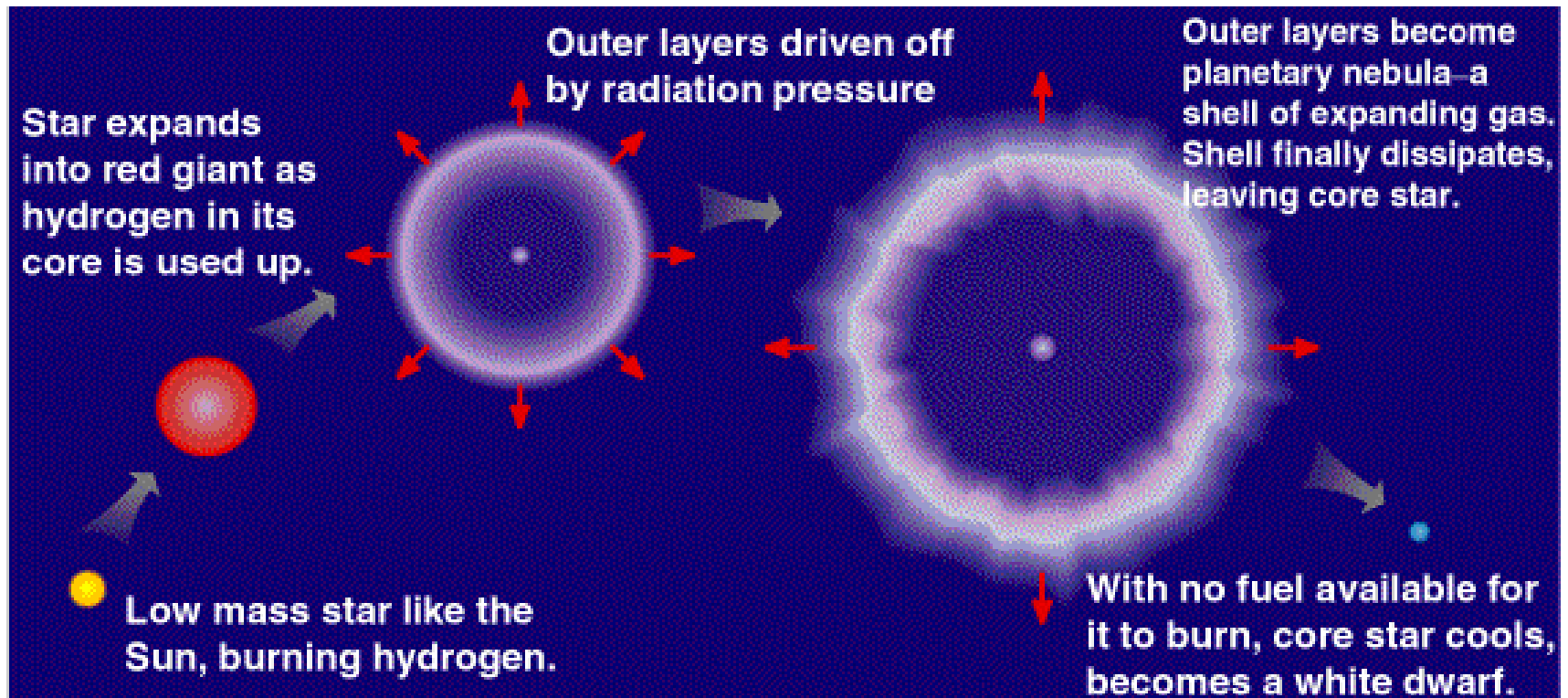








Origin of White Dwarf Stars



DARK ENERGY

70%

What is the Nature of the Dark Energy?

Can We Tell?

DARK MATTER

25%

What is the Nature of Dark Matter?

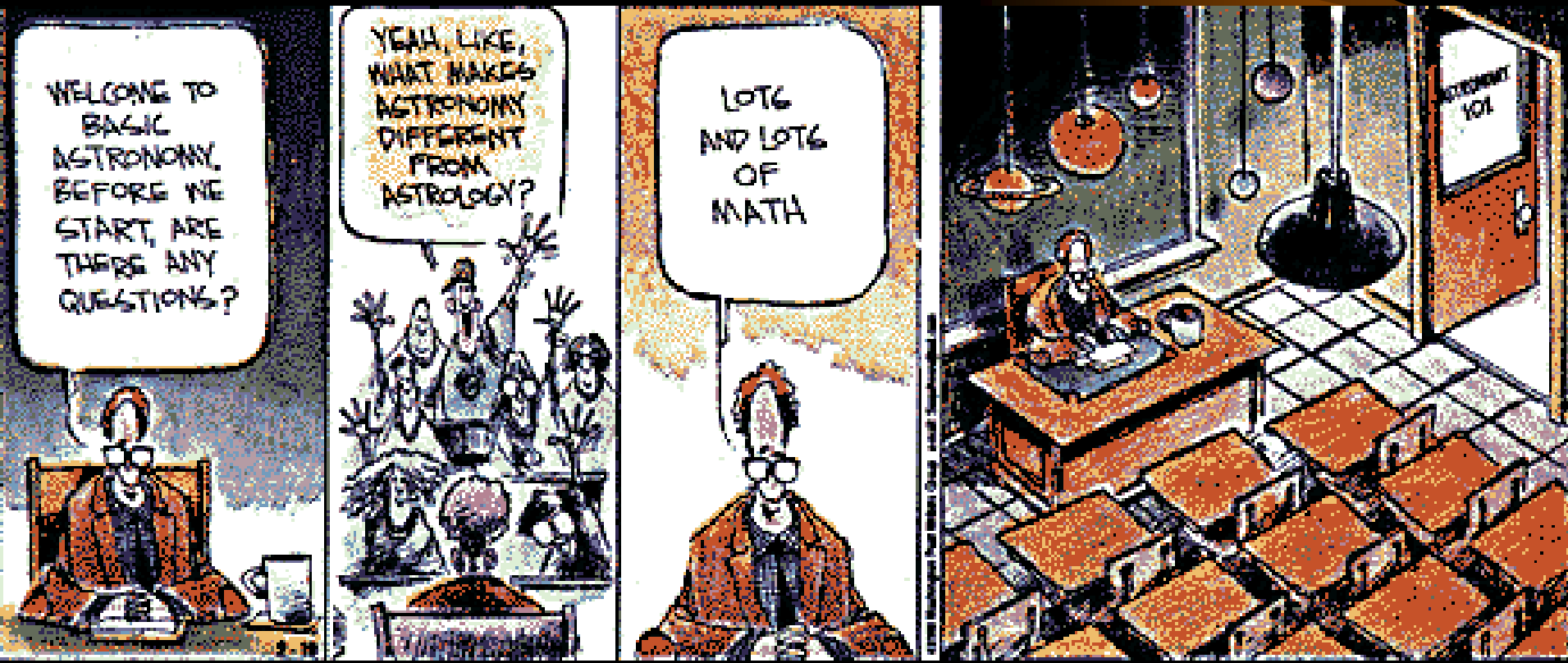
How does dark matter interact with ordinary baryonic matter ? Is it wimpy?

Is it made of Supersymmetric Neutralinos, Axions or ?

WELCOME TO
BASIC
ASTRONOMY.
BEFORE WE
START, ARE
THERE ANY
QUESTIONS?

YEAH, LIKE,
WHAT MAKES
ASTRONOMY
DIFFERENT
FROM
ASTROLOGY?

LOTS
AND LOTS
OF
MATH





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We live in a universe

- **governed by physical laws.** The universe is understandable.
- **where the speed of light is finite.** We can look back in time.
- **that had a beginning** about 14 billion years ago.
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 - **illuminated by starlight** -- for now.

that evolves in our galaxy

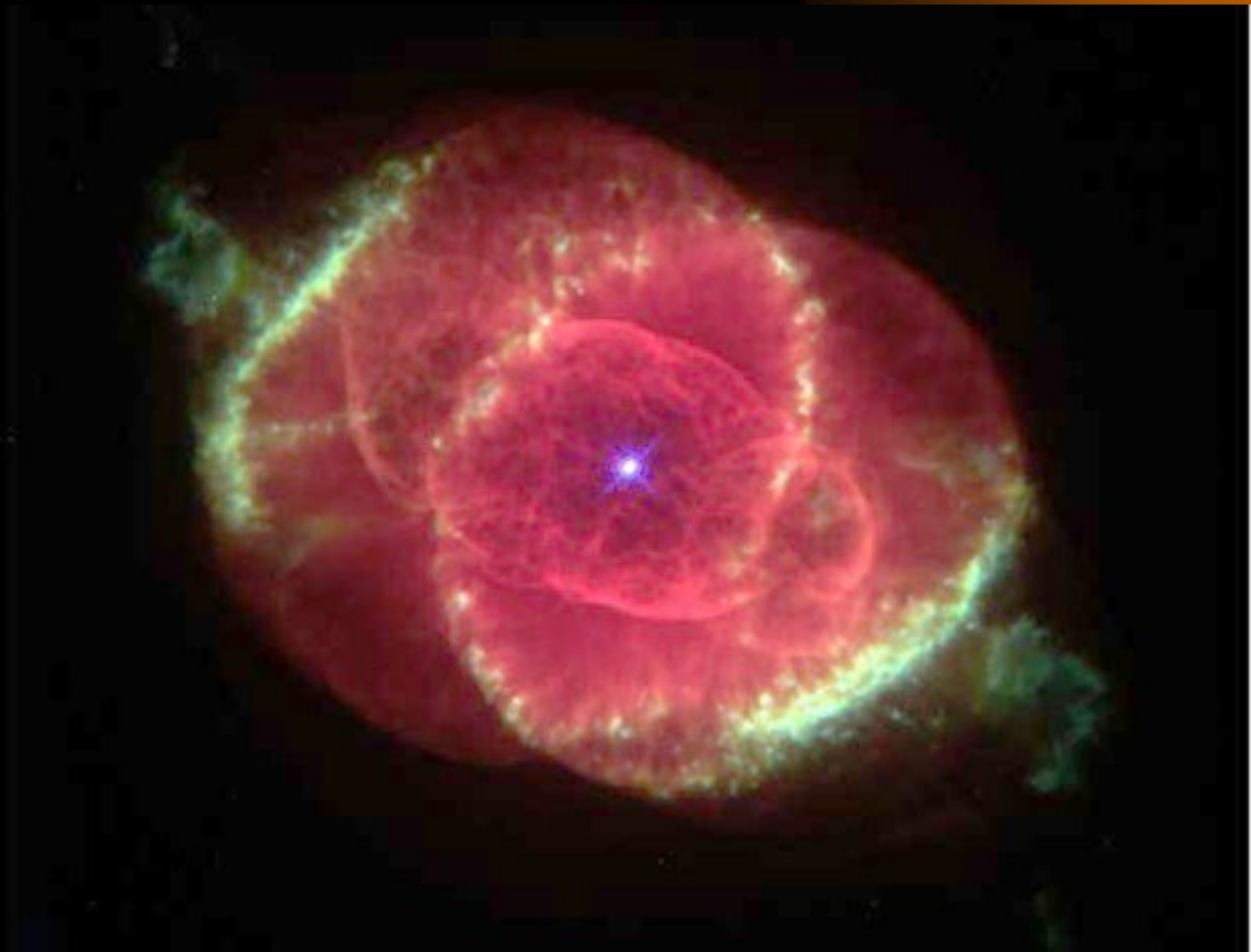


And about once a year a star is born
In our galaxy



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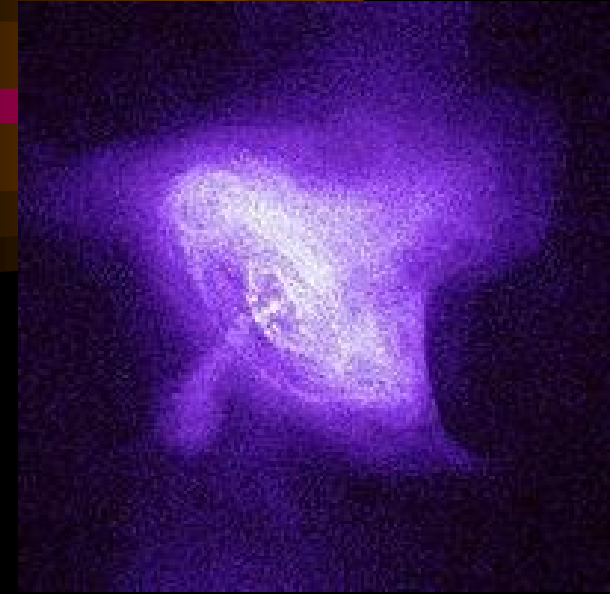
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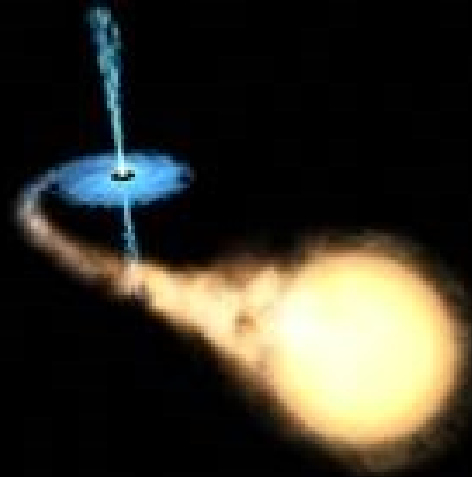
dying stars leave behind compact remnants :
white dwarfs, neutron stars, and black holes.



white dwarfs

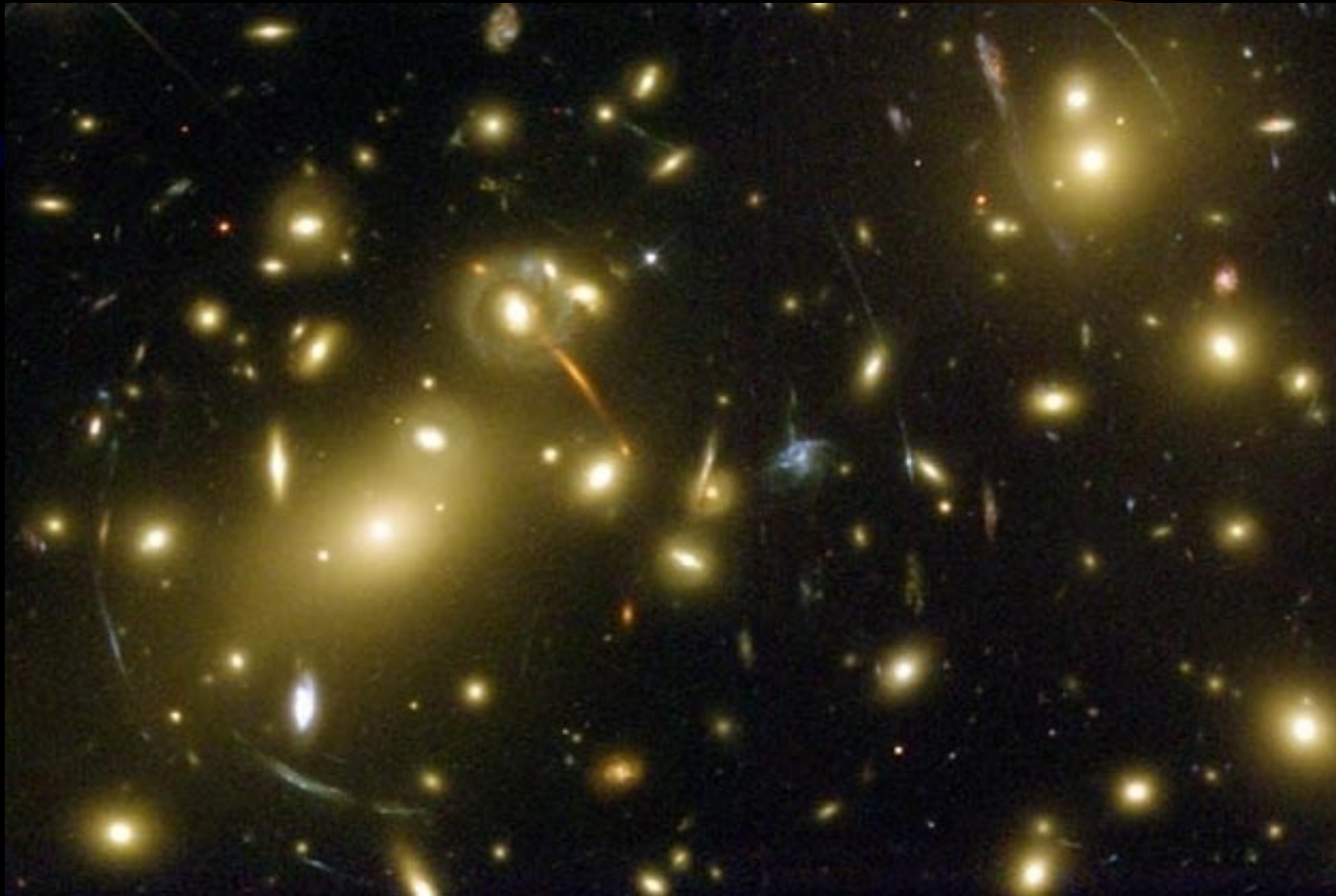


neutron stars



black holes

gravity creates illusions



•*yet gravity always wins in the end.*

where stars form clusters,



galaxies, and



clusters of galaxies.

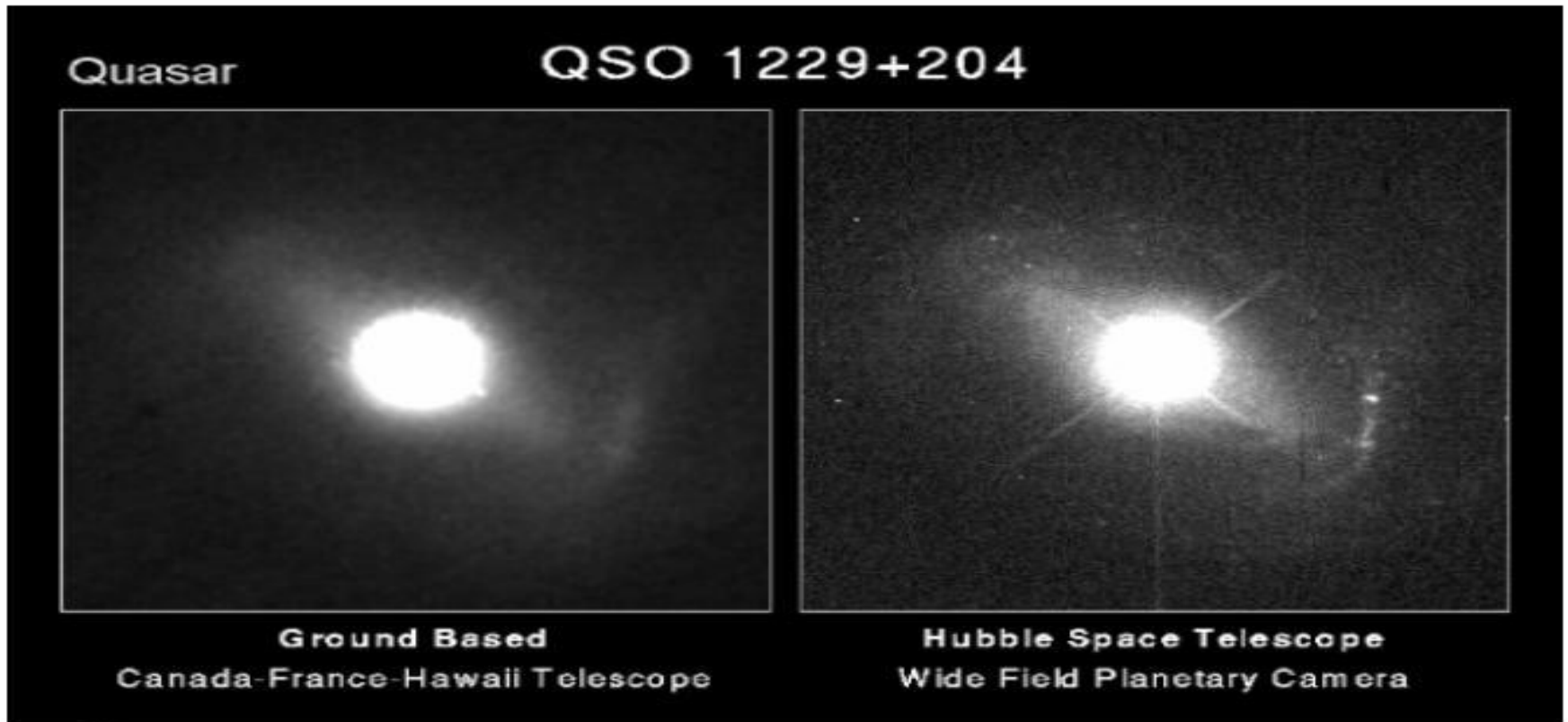


where galaxies collide.



*where black holes with masses of billions of suns,
power the central engines of galaxies.*

Les Quasars (Quasi Stellar Radio Sources)



where once a day a star explodes in a gamma ray burst, releasing the energy of 1000 suns.



**where all heavy elements have been created in
stars.**

You are made of "star stuff".

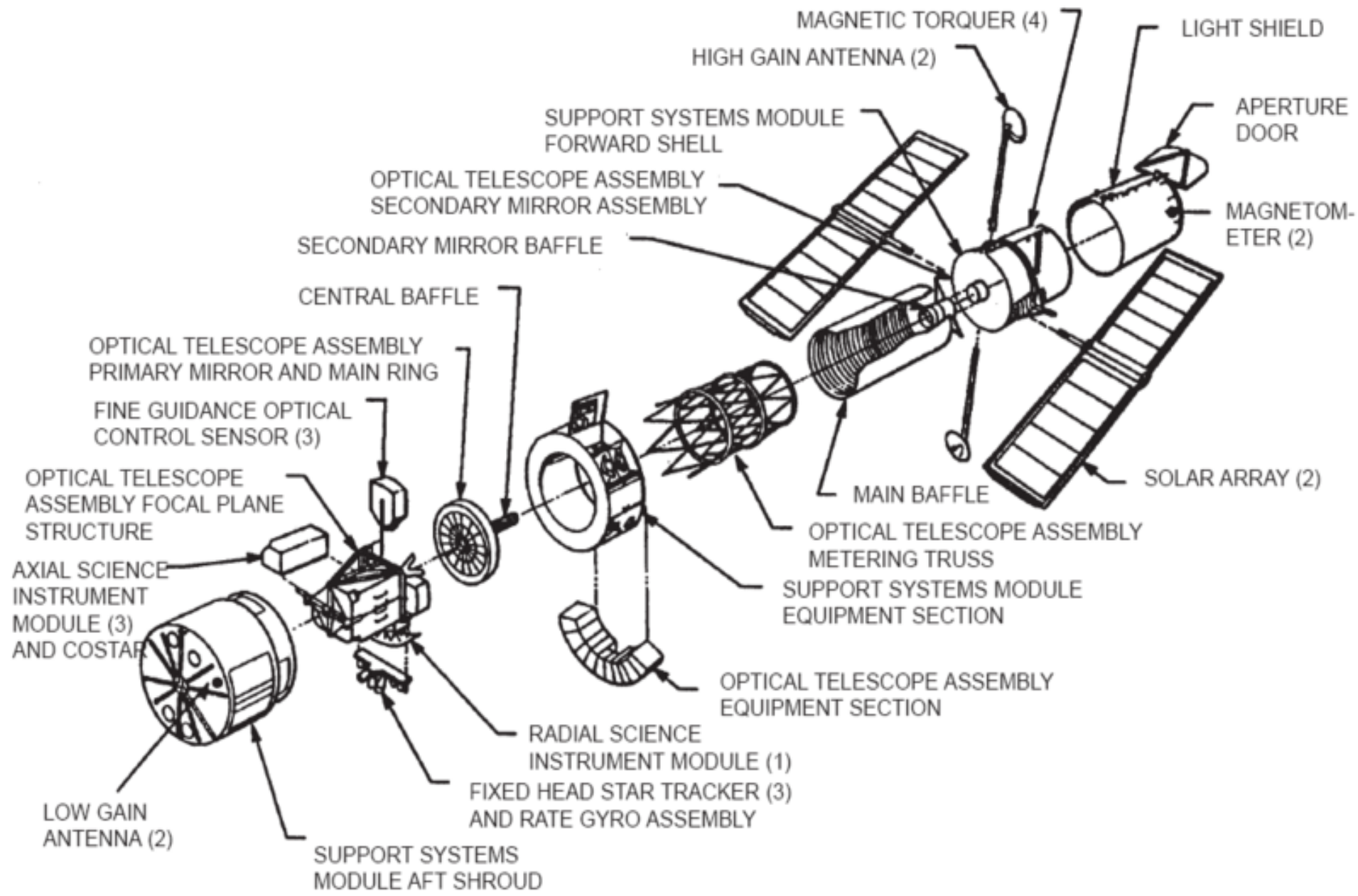


full of debris



*where life developed at least
once.*





TO BOLDLY GO WHERE NO MAN HAS GONE BEFORE



Dr. Jose D'Arruda
University of North Carolina Pembroke

"How cruelly sweet are the echoes that start when memory plays an old tune on the heart."—Eliza Cook.

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Gail Graham, 17, Killed In Westport Crash

Seventeen-year-old Gail R. Graham of 6 O'Grady Street was killed instantly early today when she was crushed between the door and frame of a car on Old Bedford Road, Westport.

Police said the car, traveling "at a good clip," left skid marks a total of 170 feet before banging

The car, police said, was traveling west on Old Bedford Road at the time of the accident.

The tracks indicate Garvin had trouble controlling the car around a curve in the road, skidded 105 feet along the right lane, swerved across the road and continued for another 65 feet before cracking into the wall.

The car caromed off the wall, the officers report; the door apparently opened as the car rocked to the right, lifting the left wheels off the ground.

Girl Pinned

With Miss Graham half out of the car, the roof crashed into the tree, slamming the door shut and pinning her to the twisted frame.

Medical Examiner Dr. Arthur LaSalle gave the cause of death as a fractured skull.

Miss Graham had been a student at Diman Vocational High School and worked in several laundries here.

Survivors

She leaves her father, Frederick W. Graham, her mother, Mrs. Irene (Waters) Graham Zabawa, three sisters, Mrs. Wilfred Robidoux and Misses Patricia Ruth and Carol Ann Graham and her maternal grandmother, Mrs. Rose Waters, all of this city; a great-uncle, six uncles, an aunt and a nephew.

The funeral will be held Tuesday morning from the Lynch Funeral Home, 513 Pine Street, with a solemn high mass of requiem at 9 in Sacred Heart Church.

Interment will be in St. Patrick's Cemetery.



GAIL R. GRAHAM

off a stone wall and slamming into a tree just east of Bread and Cheese Brook.

Driver Hurt

The driver of the car, Leo Garvin, 28, of 172 Cove Street, is in fair condition in Union Hospital today. He suffered a fractured wrist, head injuries and face cuts. He crawled out of the wreck and went for help.



WHERE 10 DIED IN FLAMES: Torance Flook, 34, his eight children and their maternal grandmother, Mrs. Maude Blaire, 63, died when fire destroyed this frame house just outside the borough of Jersey Shore today.

—AP Wirephoto

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Hungary Must Fight Own Battles

STALINVAROS, Hungary (AP)—Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev warned Hungarian Communists today that if a new revolt comes they must not depend on Russian help.

Speaking to an outdoor crowd of 20,000 in this steel mill town built by the Communists and

Lana Turner's Daughter Stabs Mother's Suitor

HOLLYWOOD, Calif., (UP)—Lana Turner's pretty teen-age daughter stabbed an underworld boy friend of the movie queen to death with an eight-inch carving knife last night because she believed he was going to disgrace her mother.

Cheryl Crane, 14, daughter of

reluctant to leave the police station.

"I wanted to spend the night in the cell with my baby but they wouldn't let me," Lana said.

She returned to her home with Geisler and Stephen Crane, her former husband and Cheryl's father. Lana also has been mar-

Family of Ten As Flames Destroy Two-Story Home

JERSEY SHORE, Pa., (AP)—Ten members of a family, including eight children, burned to death early today in an explosion and fire which flashed through their two story pine timber home.

A neighbor said he saw the family of Torance Flook, 34-year-old truck driver, gathered at a second story window during the height of the blaze and tried to set up a ladder.

"A bureau fell in front of the window," said Herman Seichst,

"That's the last we saw of them."

Mother Escapes

The only occupant to escape the holocaust, was Flook's wife who fled screaming out a bedroom, her hair a flaming ball, and her nightgown afire.

Fall Chief Richard Edwards said Flook's charred body was found holding two of his children with the bodies of two of his youngsters scattered about the second story. The body of Blaire, 63, fell from a second-floor

Tension Rises in Cuba: Rebels Delay Attacks

HAVANA, (INS)—Tension mounted toward a fever pitch in Cuba today as the deadline passed for the outbreak of total rebel warfare to overthrow President Fulgencio Batista.

An uneasy calm prevailed in Havana where reinforced troops were on the alert to crush any attacks on the heart of the government. The seething capital, almost deserted by tourists, was swept by all kinds of rumors.

It was believed likely, however, that insurgent chief Fidel Castro would not signal any all-out assault until Monday, following the end of Holy Week observances in Roman Catholic Cuba.

Zero Hour

Castro had set midnight as the zero hour for his 15-month guerrilla battle against Batista's re-

desert by April 5 and join the Insurgents. He declared a revolutionary general strike would be called at the "opportune time."

Batista retaliated by issuing arms to workers authorizing them to kill anyone who urged them to leave their jobs—questions asked.

Castro, whose strength has snowballed since he landed Oriente Province with an 81-man cadre in December, 1956, claim he can throw 50,000 Cubans in the fight against Batista's 27,000-man armed forces.

The rebel leader yesterday spurned an eleventh-hour government amnesty offer. Less than 24 hours after the olive branch was held out, the army commenced a new wave of violence.

Youths' Rocket Blast Shakes Wide Area

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The blast, which was heard as far as the high school, about a mile and a half away, attracted hundreds of persons to the scene and caused traffic to come to a "standstill."

No injuries were reported.

Cruiser Shook

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Avenue when the explosion "shook" the cruiser car.

Soares said he looked over to the riverbank and saw "a large cloud of smoke," which Patrolman Rivard said resembled a mushroom.

Rivard drove the cruiser toward the river and Soares walked toward the bridge. The chief said he then saw a youth run up the riverbank.

River Plunge

The boy, he said, "took off" when he saw him and in running down toward the river, fell into the water.

The chief said the juvenile then jumped to his feet and began running along the riverbank.

Soares said he "lost track" of the youth, but spotted him on the Brightman Street Bridge about 15 minutes later with two other "future scientists."

The youth, Soares said, was "soaking wet."

More Questions

The chief took the boy home to change his clothing and told the youth's parents to bring him to the Somerset police station today for further questioning.

Soares said he would question the boy concerning what was used in the "bomb," and to make sure that a similar thing does not happen again.

The chief said such "experiments" could result in serious injury.

Almost all shoppers in the store across the street rushed out when the explosion occurred.

Investigating in addition to Soares and Rivard were Constables Herbert Menezes and Joseph Bouchard.

Sunny Skies For Easter

The weatherman promises sunny skies and balmy Spring breezes tomorrow for area Christians who, with Christians throughout the world, will unite for the joyous Easter celebration.

Traditional religious and family observances will have the blessings of Old Sol if the weatherman is right.

The scores who will attend sunrise services are promised a beautiful dawn. Hundreds of others will attend special masses and services throughout area churches.

Sunny Parade

"After church paraders" will have no fear of unexpected showers and may "parade" to their hearts content in their new Spring finery.

Badly Burned In Explosion

A laboratory technician experimenting with a chemical mixture he and friends said is used for

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The Hubble Deep Field



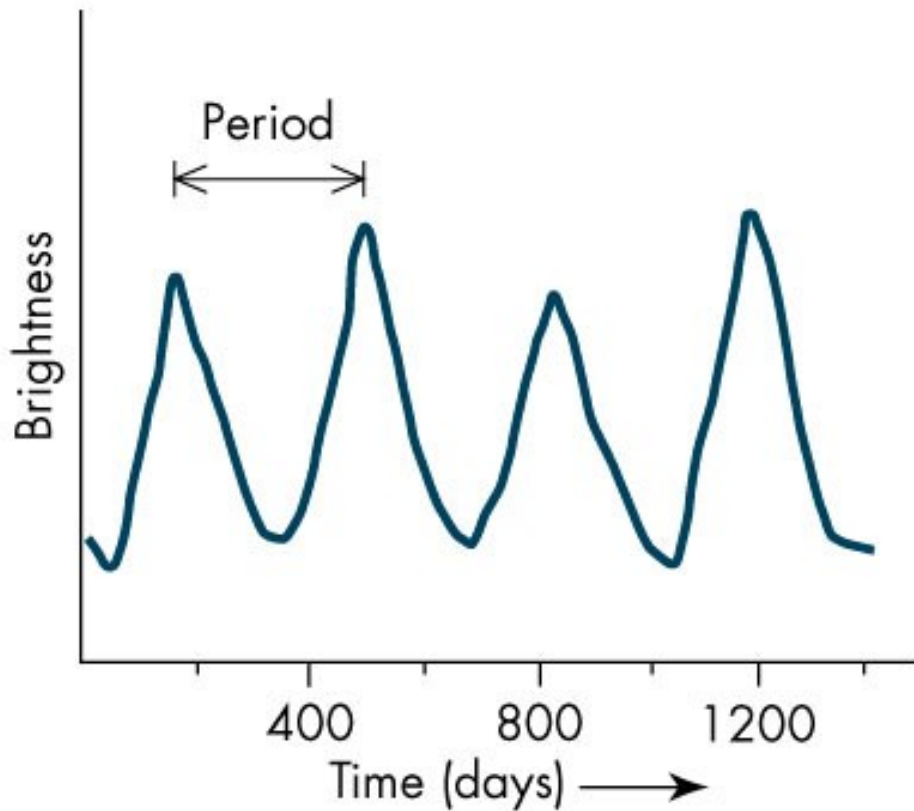
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HUBBLE DEEP FIELD

Mira — A long period variable star



Cepheid — A short period variable star

