



World Space Observatory (WSO/UV)



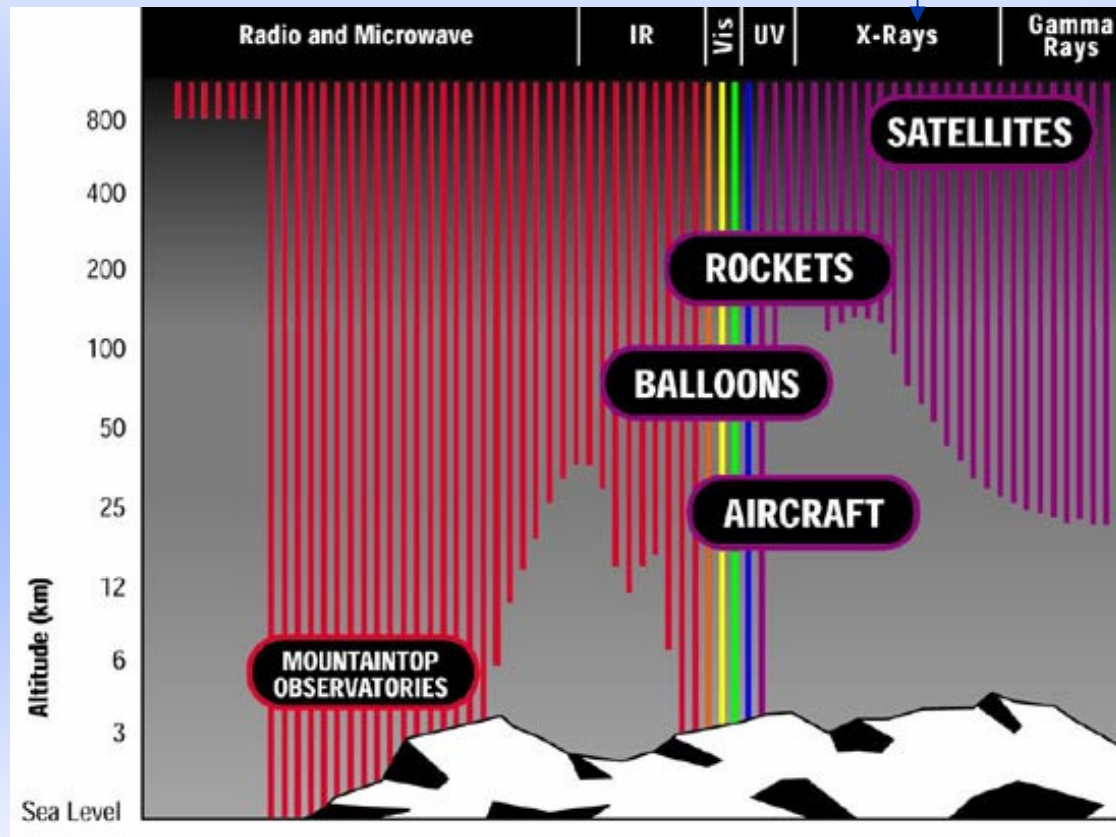
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Outline

- Why an UV mission?
- WSO/UV overview
 - Telescope
 - Focal plane instruments
- The imaging camera unit

UV light



Earth's atmosphere
is opaque below \sim
320 nm



Observations only
from space



UV instrumentation issues

- **Optical materials:** limited choices for good transmissions or reflectivities; challenge greater for shorter wavelengths.
- **Cleanliness and contamination control** are critical because many materials are UV-opaque
- UV designs similar to optical-band, but **fewer surfaces** preferred, due to the lower efficiency
- **Filters:**
 - require excellent long-wave blocking (not so easy ...): astronomical sources typically emit 10^6 - 10^8 more photon in optical than in UV
 - require good blocking of strong geocoronal, skyglow emission lines (Lyman-alpha 1216 Å, O I 1302 Å)
- **Detectors** with low efficiency (and often with high efficiency in the optical, see the prev. point)



Ultraviolet Astronomy

- UV spectroscopic and imaging capabilities are a fundamental tool to study plasmas at temperatures in the 3,000-300,000 K range
- Most resonance transitions from ions, atoms, and also molecules (H_2 , CO, OH, CS, CO_2^+ , CO_2) of astrophysical significance are in the ultraviolet wavelength domain.

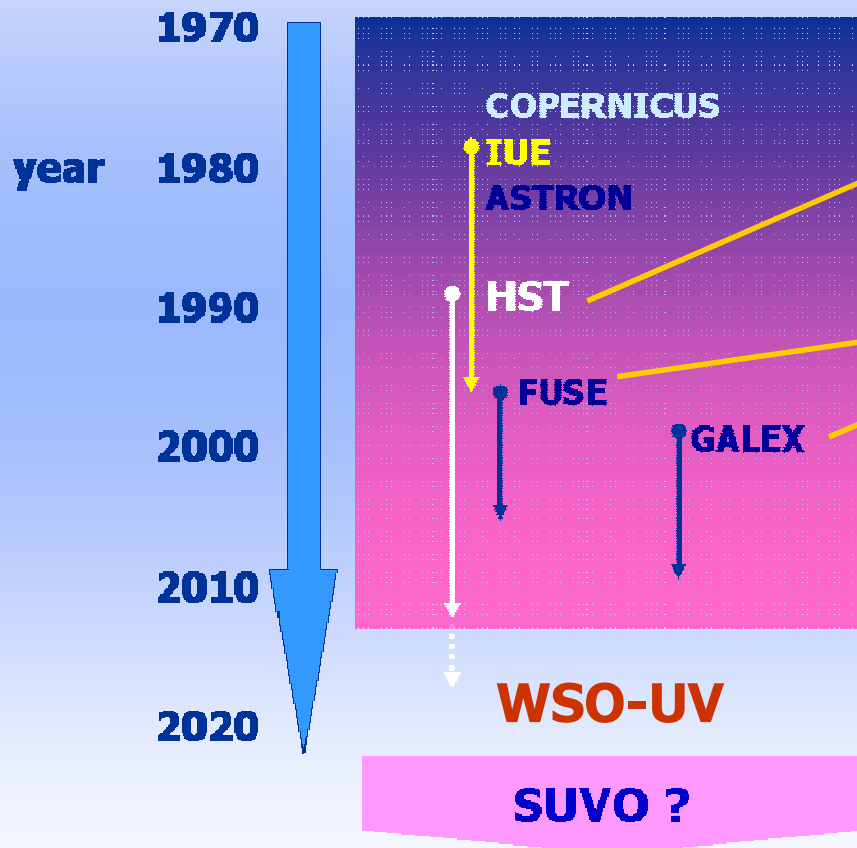


- UV provides very sensitive tools:
 - to trace the distribution of (baryonic) matter in the Universe,
 - to diagnose the chemical composition, physical properties and kinematics of astronomical objects of all types.



“UV astronomy gives *Highest density* (bits per unit wavelength) of astrophysical information on stars and gas “

Astronomical UV facilities



Facility (lifetime)	Type of Instrument	Spectral Range (nm)	Field of view (arcsec)	Spectral Resolution R	Spatial Resolution
HST (1990-2013 ??)	Imaging-ACS(HRC)	200-1100	26x29	Broad band filters (FWHM ~ 40nm)	0."027 pix ⁻¹
	Imaging-ACS(SBC)	115-170	31x35	Continuum filters	0."032 pix ⁻¹
	Spectroscopy-ACS	115-390	Grism	100	
	<i>Spectroscopy-COS</i>	115-320		2000 - 24000	
FUSE (1999-2010 ??)	Spectroscopy	90.5-118.7		20000	
GALEX (2003-early 2007 ??)	Imaging	135-300	All-sky	Two broad bands: NUV(180-300) and FUV(135-180)	3"-5"
	Spectroscopy	135-300	(grism)	100	

Access to UV is becoming problematic. Even with a full success of the 4^o servicing mission (→ Hi-res spectroscopy in classical UV), it is unlikely that HST will remain operative after 2012-2013

NASA & ESA do not have plans for a new UV mission → not before 2020-2025



Future?

- High scientific value projects ongoing with **HST** and **GALEX**; some of them needs extended temporal coverage (e.g. variability, proper motions)
- No UV high angular resolution counterparts for **JWST** and ground-based next generation **30m+**(NIR+ AO/MCAO) telescopes.

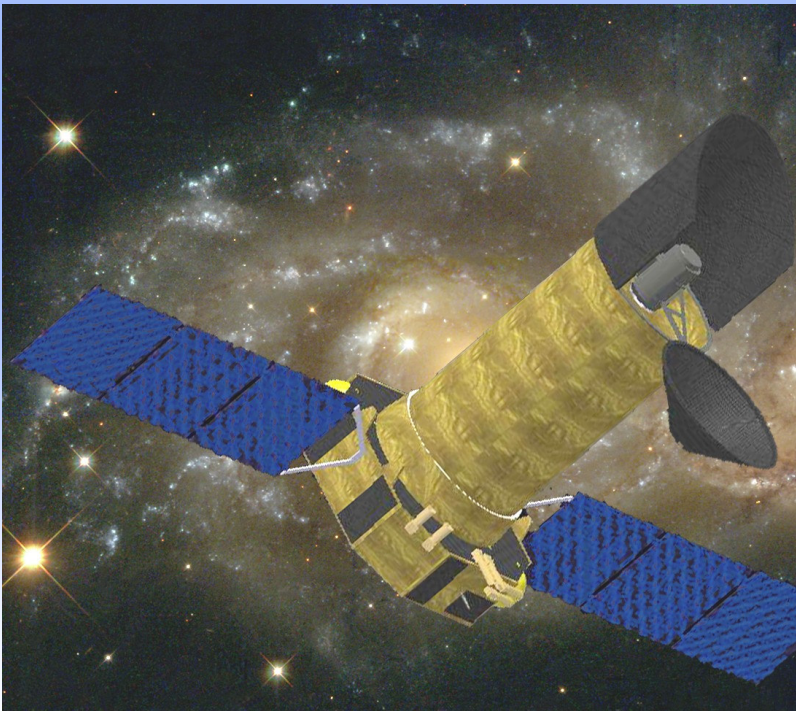


WSO-UV

World Space Observatory / Ultraviolet Project

Objective:

Provide spectroscopy and imaging access to the UV (110 - 300 nm) sky.



Launch date:	2012
Duration:	5 years (+5years)
Orbit:	Circular/geosynchronous ~35,800 Km 51.8° orbit inclination
Telescope:	T-170M (<i>Russia</i>)
Platform:	Navigator (<i>Russia</i>)
Launcher:	Zenith + Fregat (<i>Russia</i>)
GS:	<i>Russia, Spain (contributions from Italy, China, Ukraine, South Africa ... are being considered)</i>
Focal Plane Instruments:	Hirdes (Germany) LSS (China, UK) FCU (Italy)

Telescope T-170

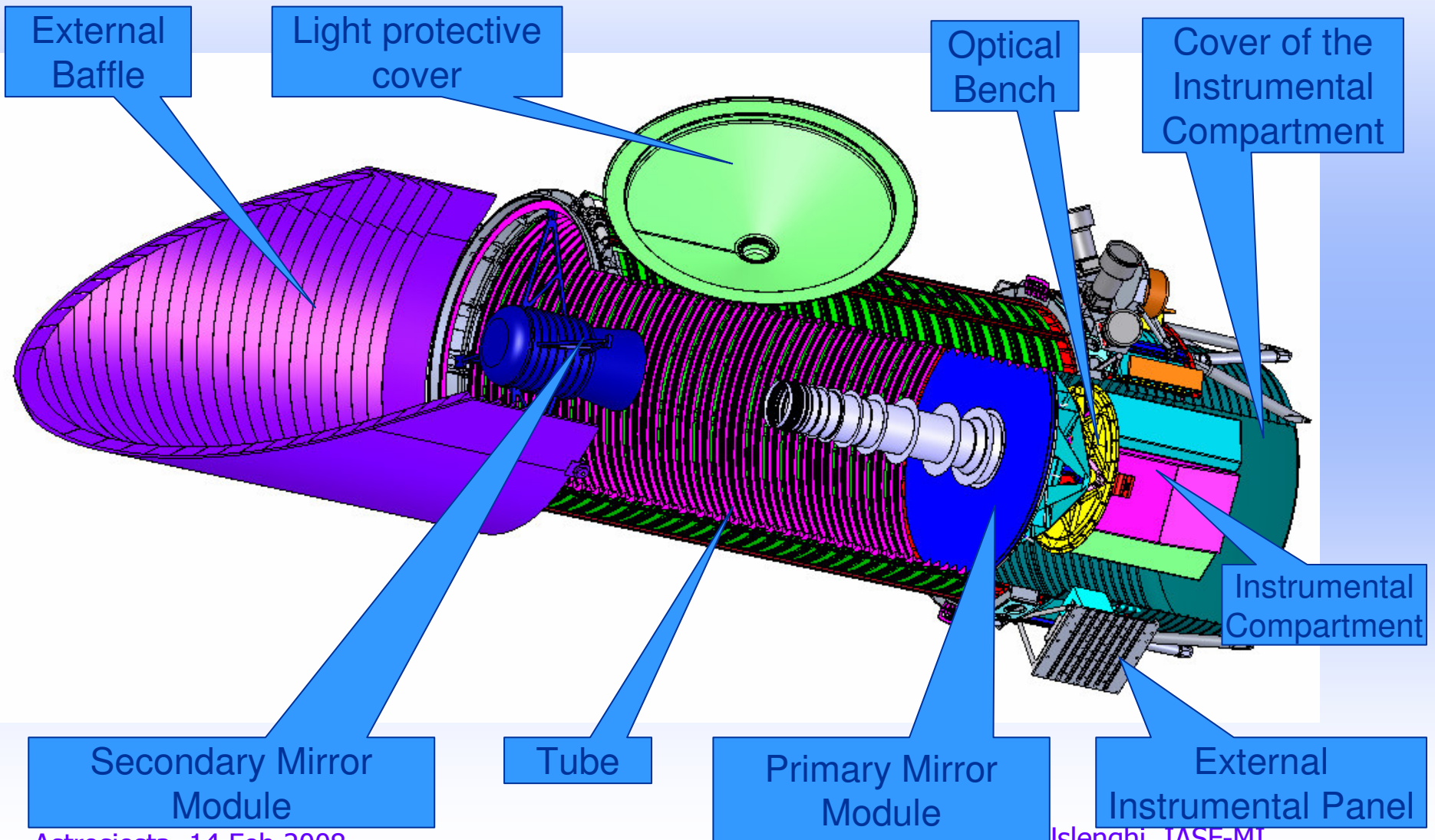


T-170 mock-up in assembly room of the Lavochkin Association (Moscow)

The WSO/UV telescope (T-170M) is a new version of the T-170 telescope designed in Russia by Lavochkin Association for Spectrum-UV mission.

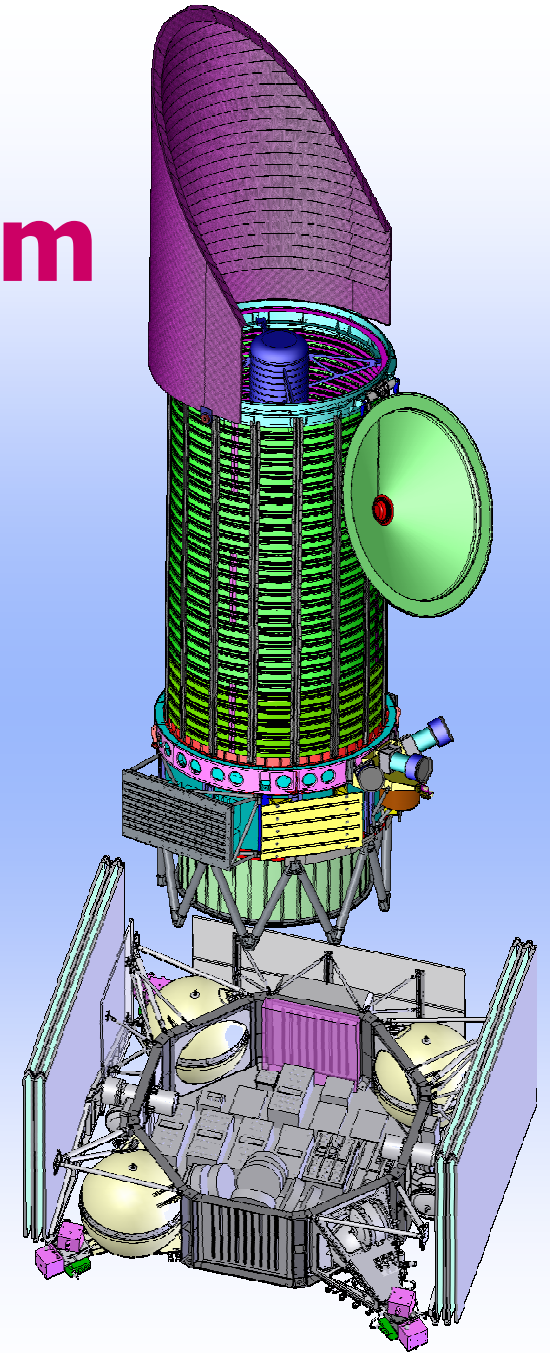
Optical System	Ritchey-Chretien aplanat
Aperture diameter	1700 mm
Telescope f-number	10.0
FOV	30' (150 mm in diameter)
Wavelength range	100-310 nm (+visible)
Primary Wavelength	200 nm
Optical quality	Diffraction optics at the FOV center
Mass	1570 kg (1600 with adapter truss)
Size	5.67x2.30 m (transport) 8.43x2.3 m (operational)

T-170M Telescope



The *Navigator* platform

- The WSO-UV bus is the “Navigator” service module used for other Russian projects: e.g. “Electro” and “Radioastron” that will fly before WSO-UV, and Spectrum X-gamma which will follow WSO-UV.
- The “Navigator” of WSO-UV requires adaptation of radio complex, antenna-feeder system and software of on-board control system in terms of precision telescope pointing.





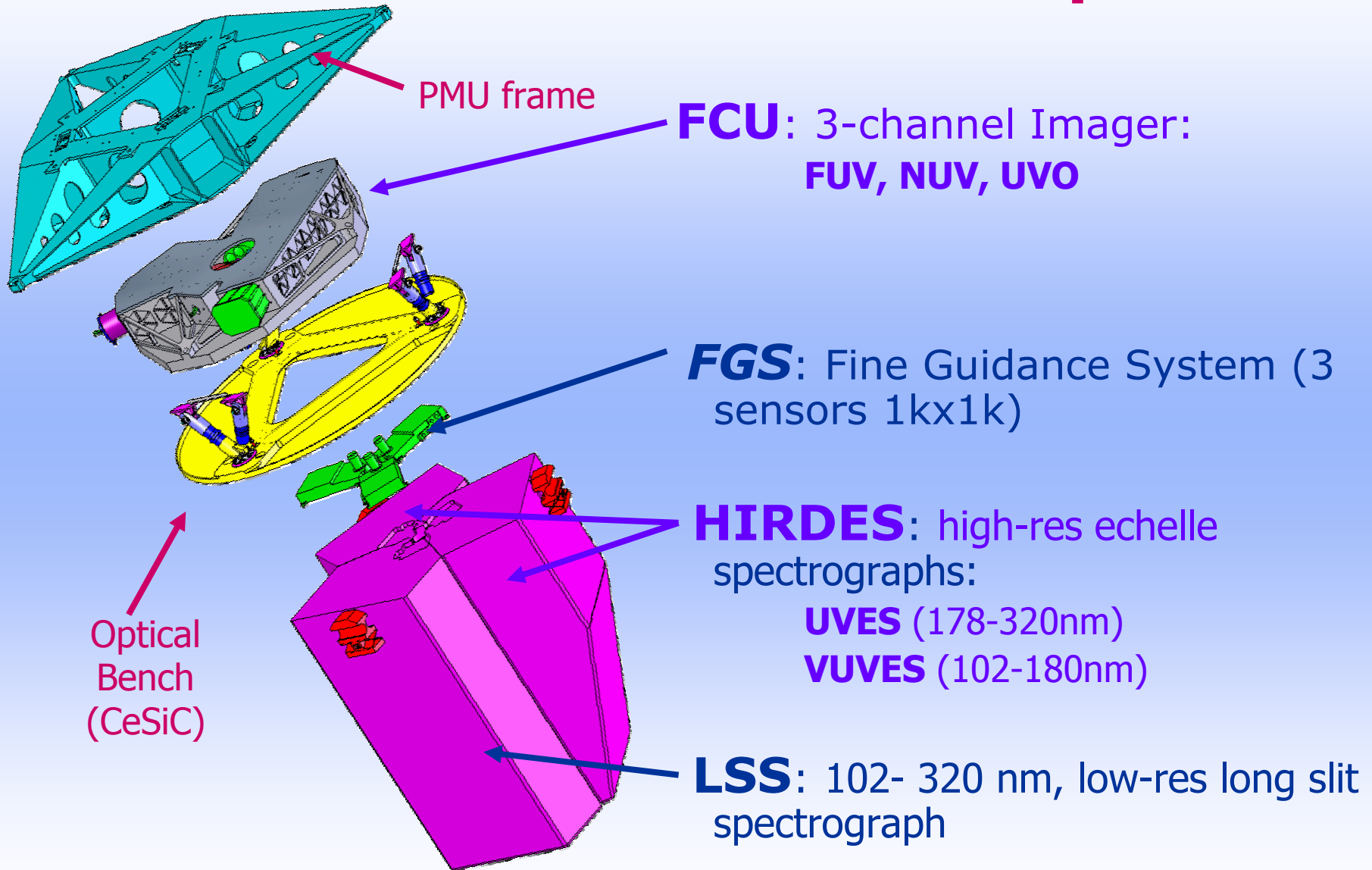
WSO-UV Payload

Focal plane instruments will provide:

- High resolution UV spectroscopy **HIRDES**
- Long slit low resolution spectroscopy **LSS**
- Deep UV and high resolution optical imaging **FCU**



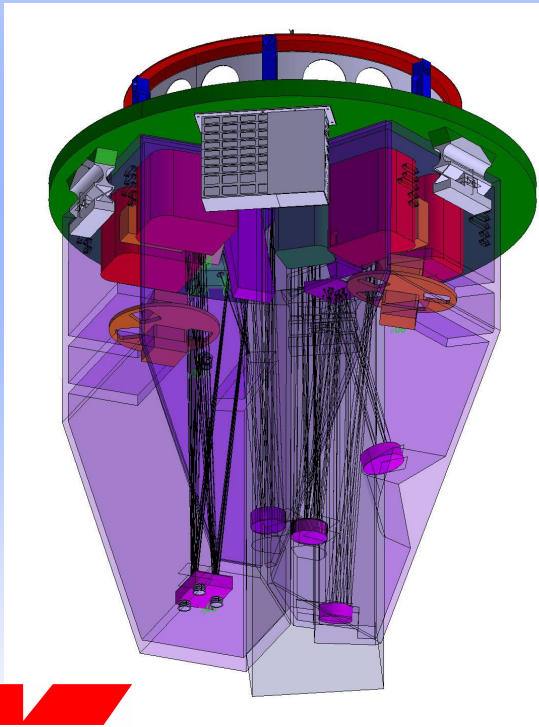
Scientific Instrument Compartment



WSO-UV Hi-Res Spectrograph

HIRDES (High Resolution Double Echelle Spectrograph)

$R \geq 55,000$ _echelle spectrographs



	UVES	VUVES
Wavelength coverage	178-320nm	102-180nm
Limiting mag (SNR=10 in 10h)	18	16
Detectors	MCP	MCP

Funding Agency: DLR

Science Contractor: Universität Tübingen, Institut für
Astronomie und Astrophysik

Industry Contractor: Kayser Threde

Principal Investigator: Prof. Dr. Klaus Werner

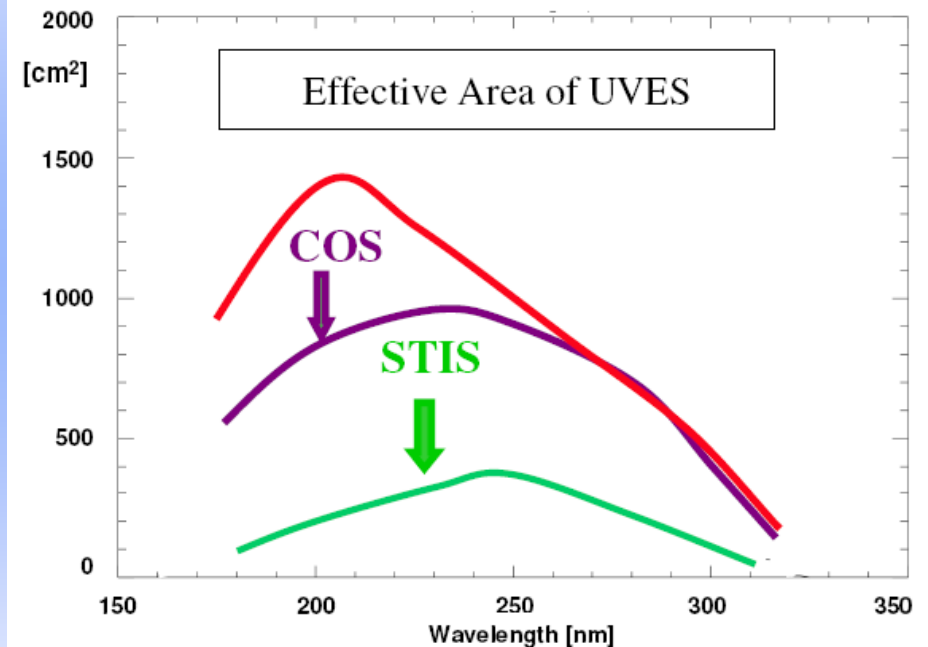
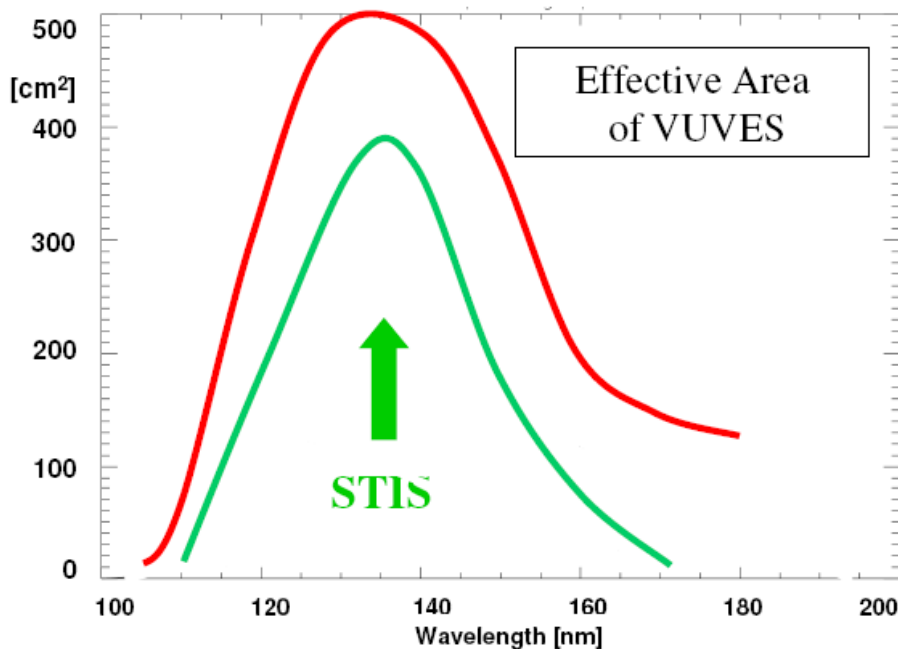
Instrument Scientist: Dr. Norbert Kappelmann

STATUS: *B1 completed*



HIRDES effective area

Spectral resolution of HIRDES (UVES & VUVES, $R \sim 50,000$) is similar to HST-STIS, but higher than HST-COS ($R \sim 20,000$)



Sensitivity is comparable with COS (lower in FUV, higher in NUV) and definitely better than STIS

ETC available at http://astro.uni-tuebingen.de/groups/wso_uv/exptime_calc.shtml



WSO-UV Low-Res Spectrograph

LSS (Long Slit Spectrograph)

Funding Agency: CNAS

Science Contractor:

National Astronomical
Observatories of China
Academy of Science (NAOC)

Industry Contractor: to be
selected

Principal Investigator:

Prof. Gang Zhao

Parameter	Requirements
Wavelength coverage – FUV channel – NUV channel	102~190 nm (1 or 2 subchannels) 190~320 nm
Width of slit	1" \approx 82 μ m
Length of slit	75" \approx 6.2 mm
Spectral resolution	1500~2500
Spatial resolution	0.5"~1"
Detectors	MCPs

**STATUS: Phase A completed. Phase B1 end in
March 2008**



WSO-UV Imagers

FCU

Field Camera Unit

Funding Agency: ASI

Science Contractor: Istituto Nazionale di Astrofisica (INAF)

Industries involved: Galileo Avionica, Thales Alcatel Alenia Space

Principal Investigator: Dr. Isabella Pagano

Project Manager: Dr. Salvatore Scuderi (INAF CT)



STATUS: *Phase B1 completed*



WSO-UV imagers guidelines

- Large wavelength coverage (115-700nm)
- Large field of view
- High spatial resolution; mandatory to:
 - Morphological studies (e.g. planets, planetary nebulae, star formation regions, external galaxies)
 - High accuracy stellar photometry
 - High accuracy stellar astrometry
 - Resolve stars in crowded fields (e.g. in star clusters, external galaxies, star formation in AGNs)



FCU main parameters

Camera	Parameter	Specifications	
FUV	Wavelength Range	115-190 nm	No f-number change →Optimize efficiency
	Field of View	6.6'x6.6' (2kx2k)	
	Scale	0.2"/pix	
	Pixel size	20 μ m	
NUV	Wavelength Range	150-280 nm	
	Field of View	1'x1' (2kx2k)	
	Scale	0.03"/pix	
	Pixel size	20 μ m	
UVO	Wavelength Range	200-700 nm	
	Field of View	4.7'x4.7' (4kx4k)	
	Scale	0.07"/pix	
	Pixel size	15 μ m	

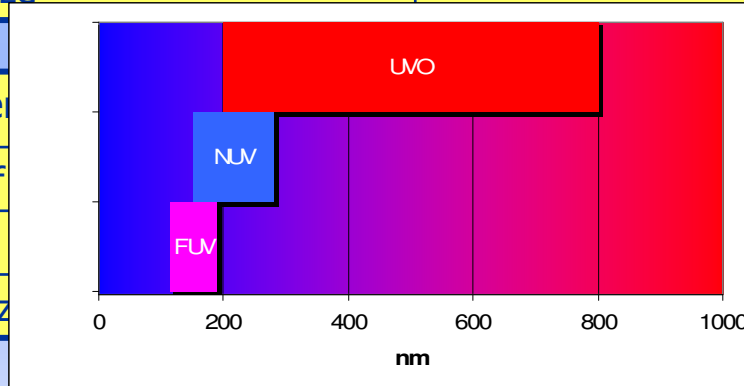


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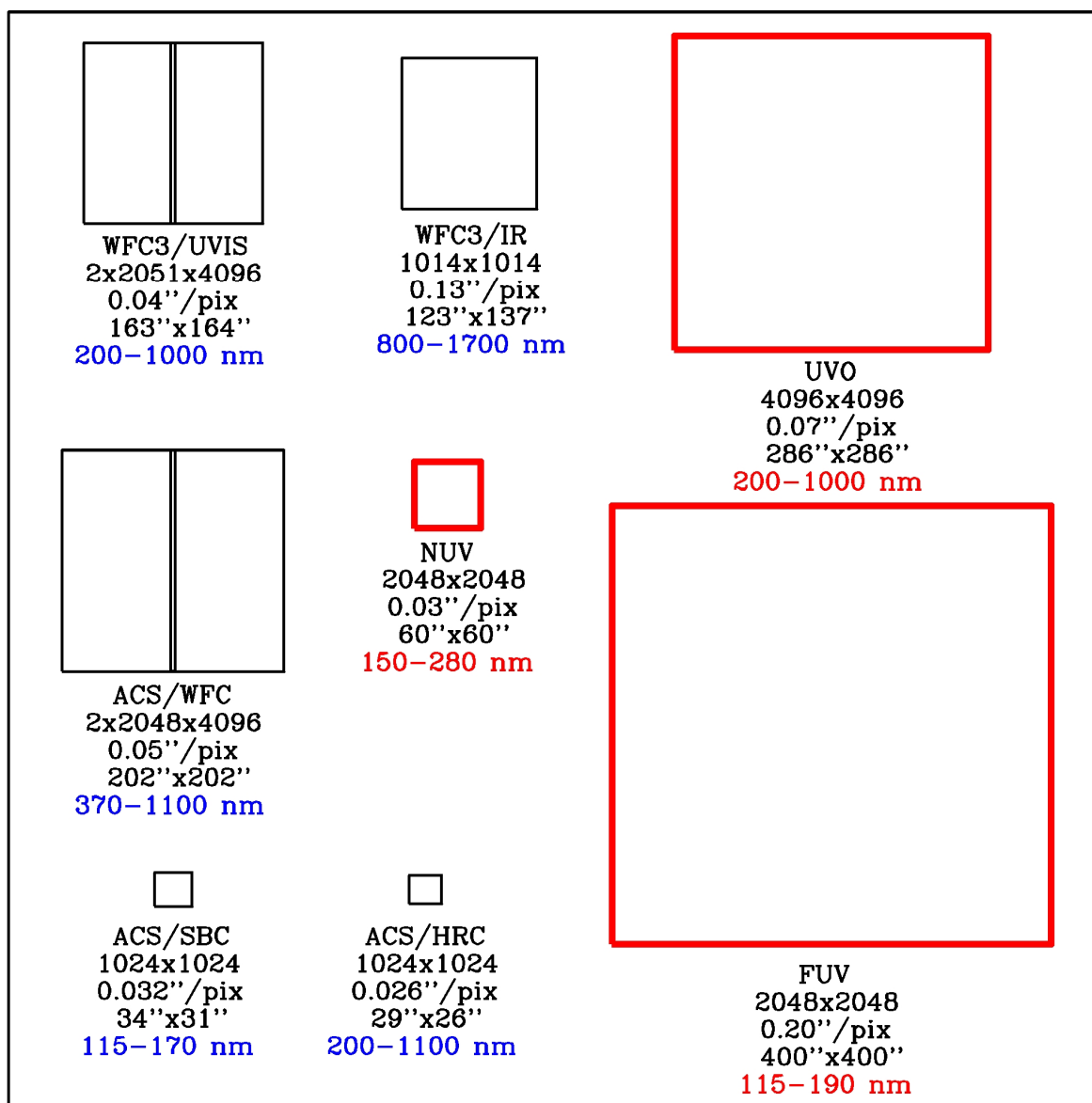
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FCU vs. ACS/WFC3



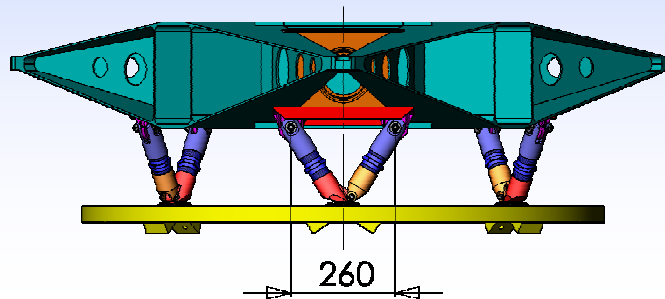
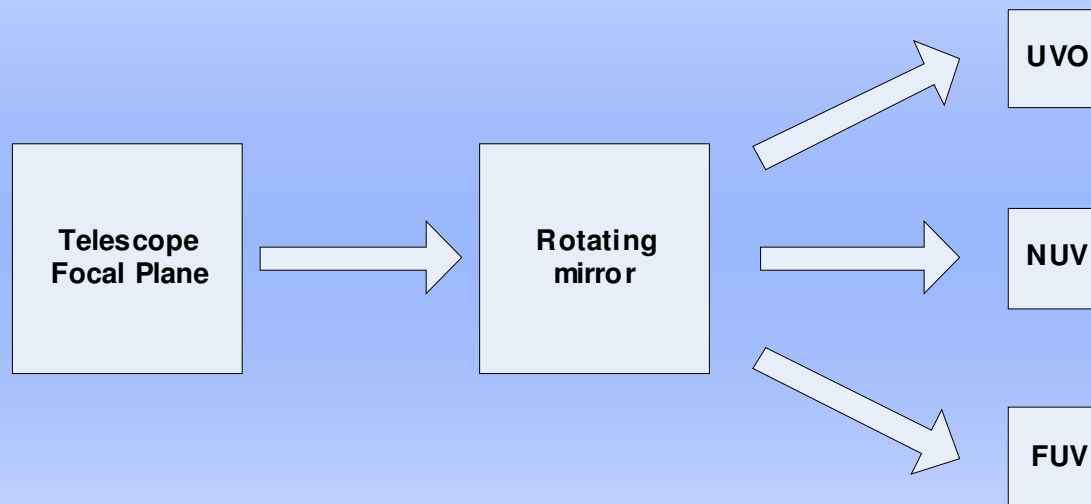
UVO: 2 times larger field of view than ACS, and 3 times larger than WFC3/UVIS; high angular resolution (diffraction limit @500nm). Undersampled, but sampling as for ACS and WFC3

- **FUV:** same field as UVO; Much larger than the ACS/SBC field of view, (lower angular resolution, but still OK for many surveys)

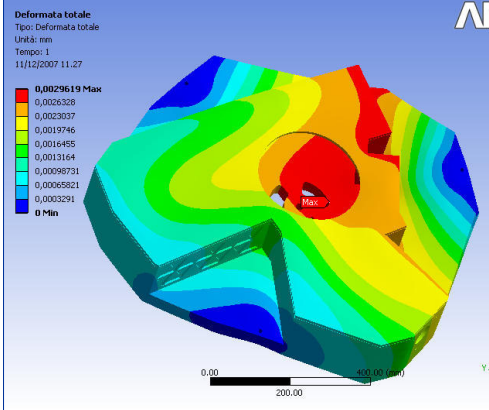
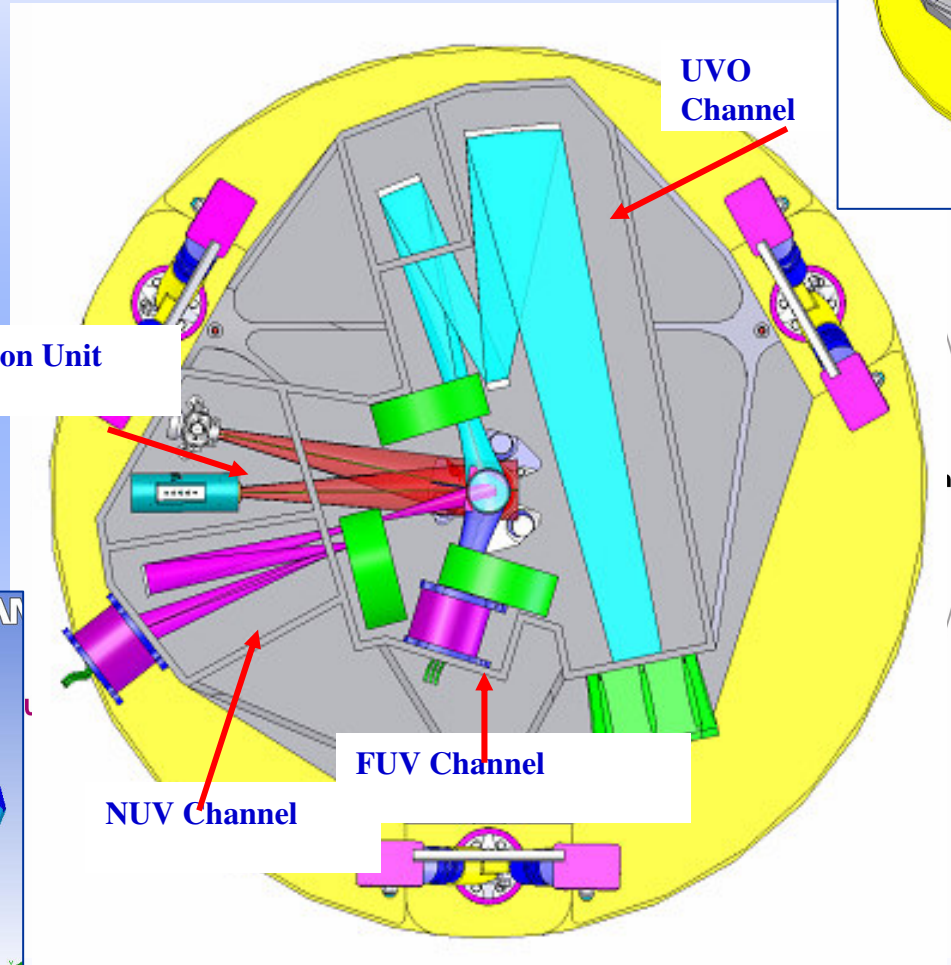
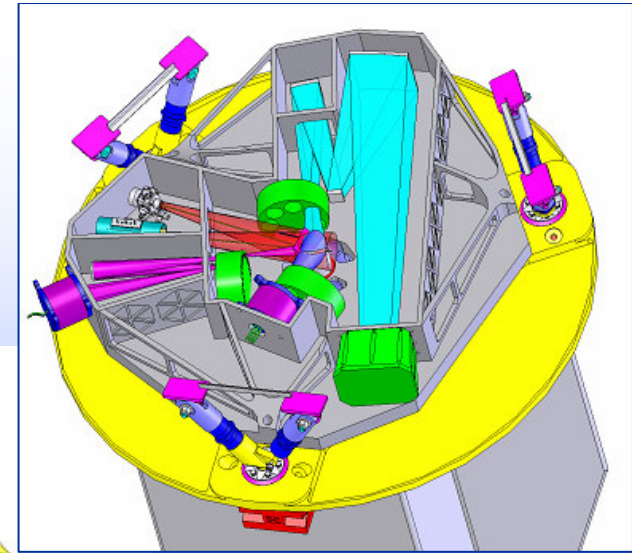
- **NUV:** high angular resolution similar to ACS/SBC + ACS/HRC, but four times larger field of view than ACS/SBC + ACS/HRC; unique spectropolarimetry facilities.

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FCU Layout



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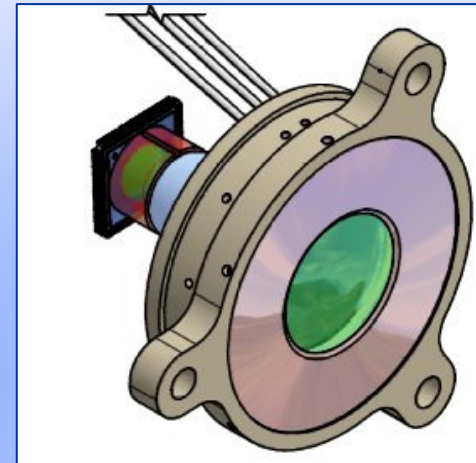
FCU Detectors

FUV & NUV Channel: Solar blind,
(identical, except for the photocathode)
MCP-based, photon counting detectors,
in sealed configuration

Format: 2kx2k (40mm)

Read-out system: CCD

Photocathodes: CsI (FUV), CsTe (NUV)



OUV Channel: CCD

Format: 4kx4k (61mm)

Pixel size: 15 μm

Back illuminated

MPP

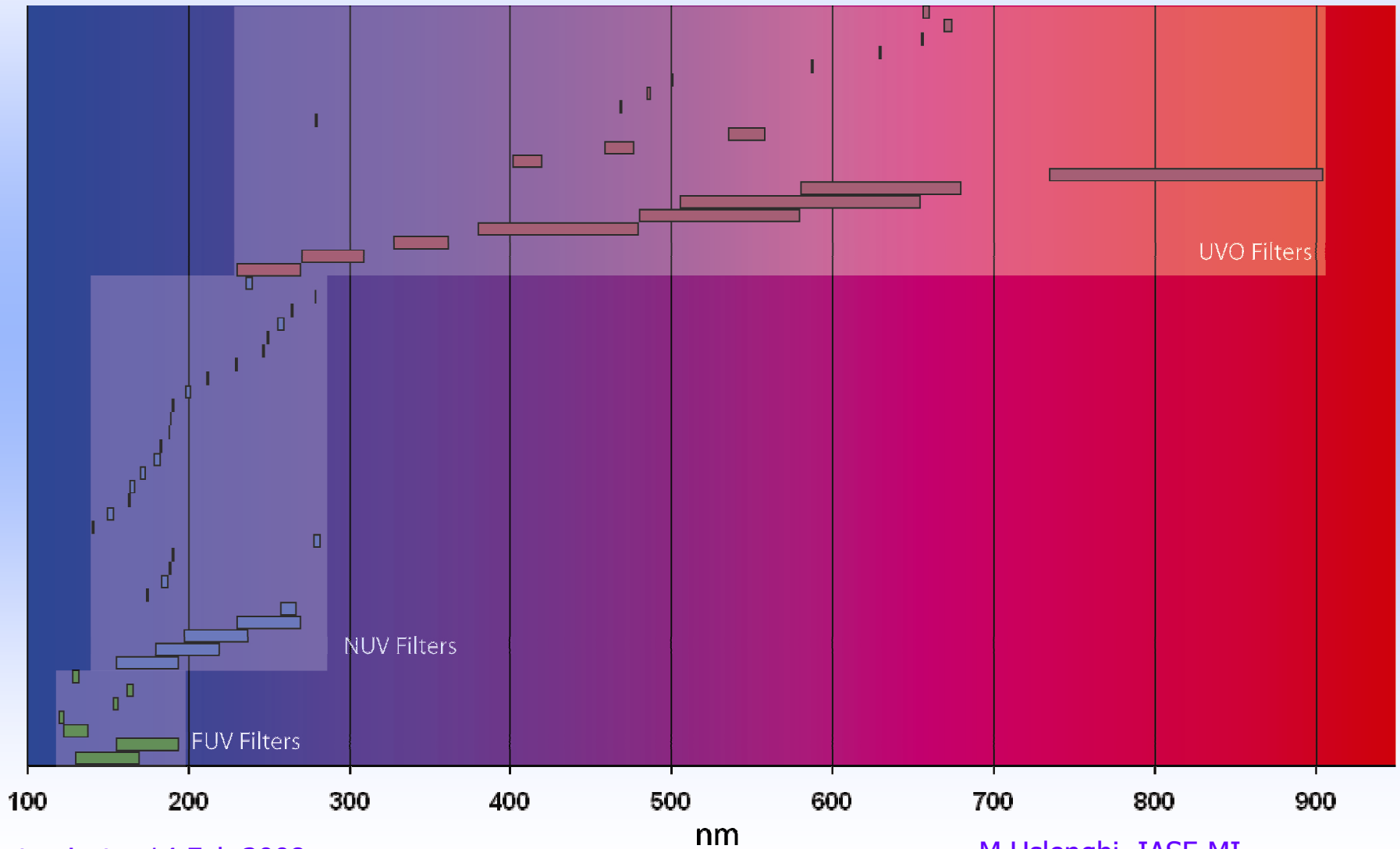




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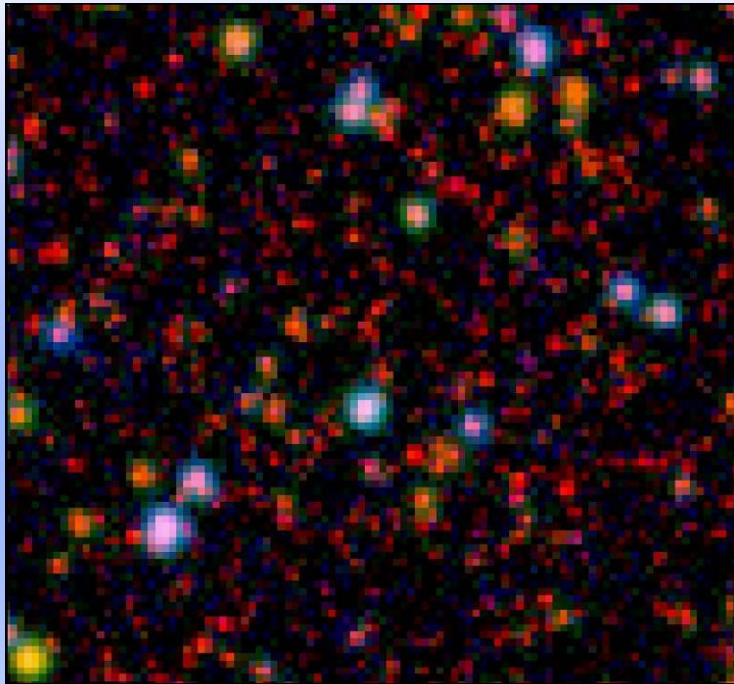
- Optical Mode
 - Imaging (FUV, NUV, UVO channel)
 - Polarimetry (NUV, UVO)
 - Slitless spectroscopy (FUV, NUV, UVO channel)
 - Slitless spectropolarimetry (NUV channel)
- High Time Resolution Mode
 - Time Tag (FUV, NUV)
 - Windowing (FUV, NUV, UVO)
- Calibration Mode

Filters

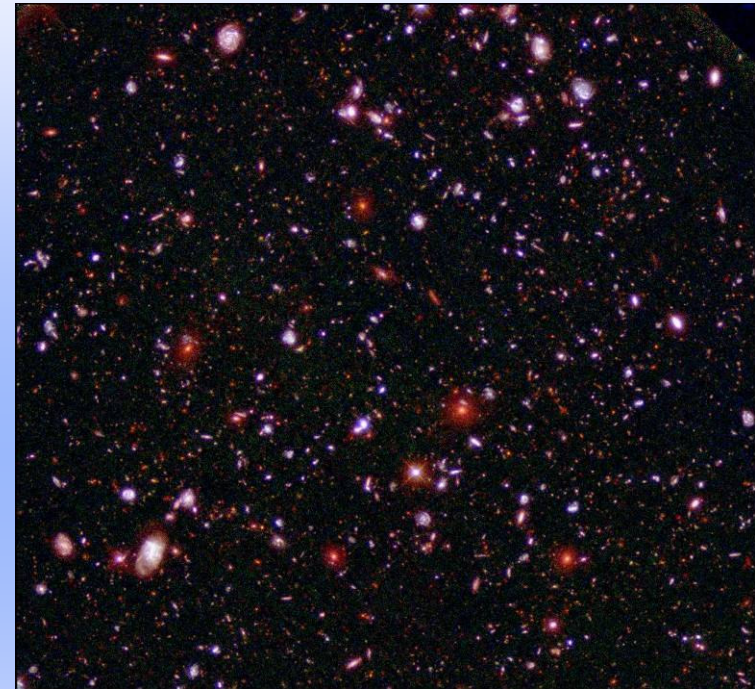




Hubble Deep Field UV counterpart



Part of the UDF: the blue and green channels are GALEX FUV ($\sim 1500\text{\AA}$, $\sim 75\text{Ks}$) and GALEX NUV ($\sim 2000\text{\AA}$, $\sim 76\text{Ks}$), the red channel is the VIMOS@VLT deep imaging ($\sim 36000\text{Ks}$) in band U. Most of the red "noise" are objects detected in ground based U band, but not detected in GALEX data. The size of the image is $2' \times 2'$.



Simulation of the same field: the blue and green channels are WSO-FUV and WSO-NUV respectively, while the red is U band image.



WSO-UV in Italy

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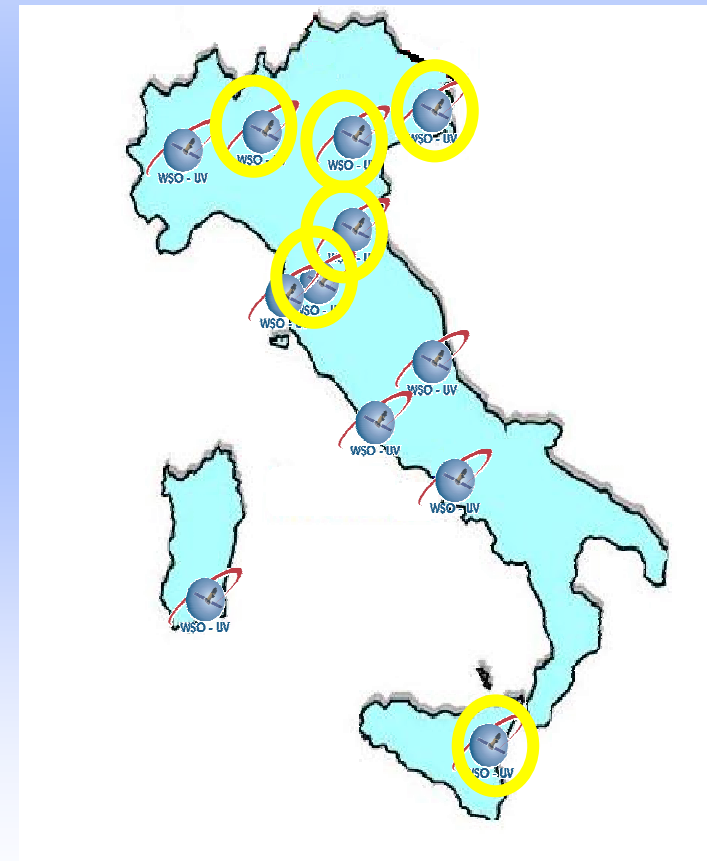
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□ Universities

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□ Industrial support

□ Galileo Avionica, Thales Alenia Space Italy (MI)





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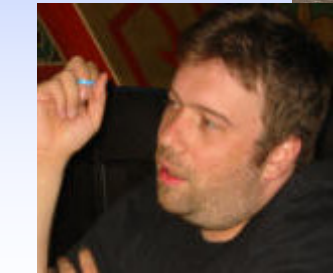
Scientific interests

- Planetary Science
- Extrasolar planets
- Intergalactic Media
- Cool Stars & Stellar magnetic activity
- Accretion and Outflow processes
- Stellar Populations in star clusters
- Stellar Populations in nearby galaxies
- SNe
- Galaxies and Active Galactic Nuclei
- Gamma-ray bursts
- The local Universe
- Cosmology



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WSO-UV in INAF LTP

- “Currently, NASA and ESA do not have plans for any future UV mission, which, as a consequence, cannot be expected before the 2020-2025 timeframe. This will produce a big gap between HST and the next ESA/NASA UV mission. It is important that INAF acts in the international context to explore all possibilities to ensure that the UV window remains open in the future. In this regard it is important to carefully evaluate the feasibility also of smaller projects, like WSO.”



More information on the web ...

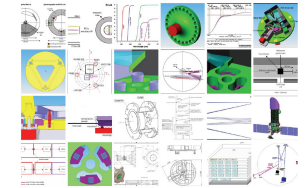
WSO/UV Project home page:

<http://wso.inasan.ru/>

Italian WSO web site:

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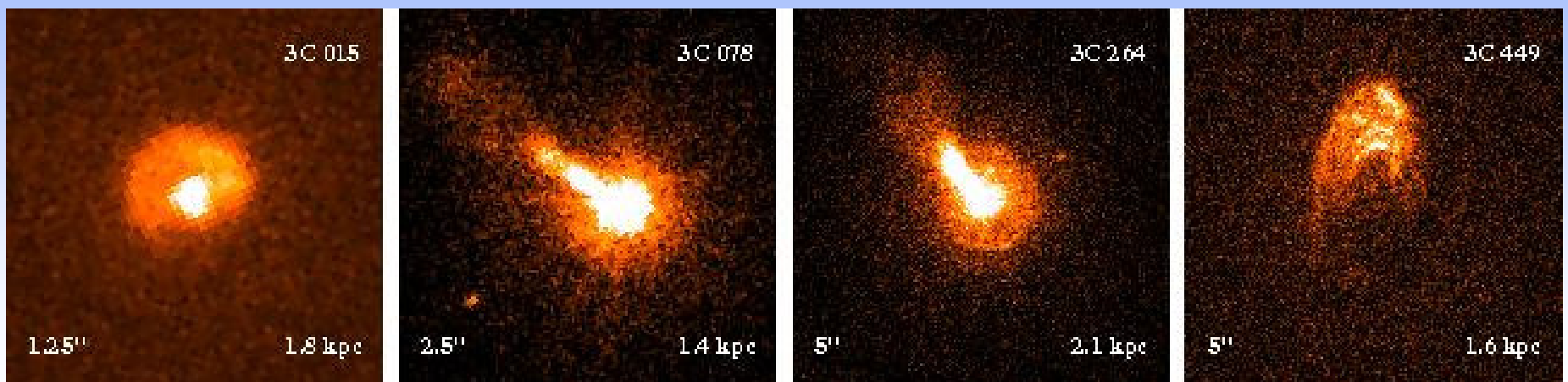
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Some examples of the WSO science

How do black holes accretion, jets, and outflows operate?

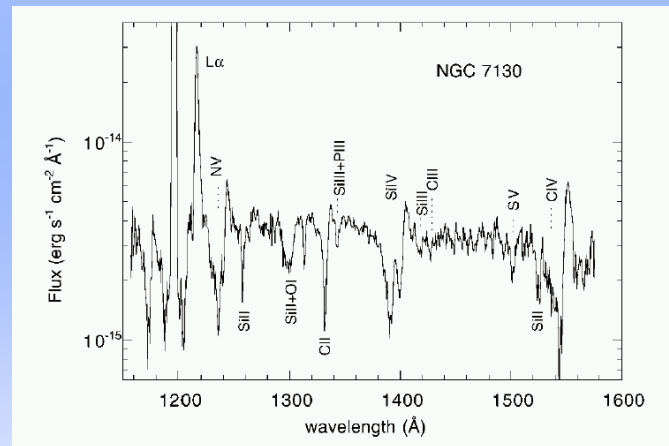
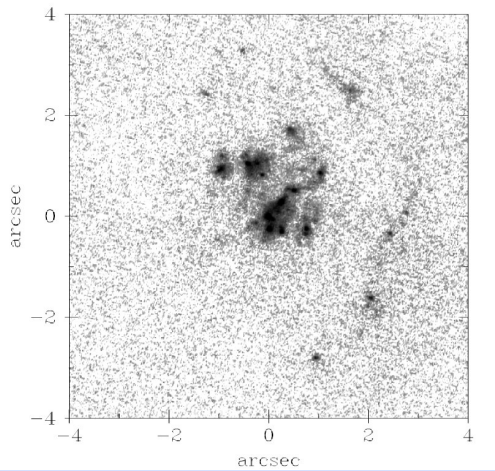
- AGNs are a fundamental class of astrophysical objects in view of the close connection between nuclear activity and the process of galaxy formation and evolution
- Most of the emission in the UV
- We want to understand the basic accretion and outflow processes and their influence on star formation activity. Why only a fraction of galactic nuclei are active? Which is the triggering mechanism of activity, and what sets its level?





The co-evolution of galaxies and central SMBH

The close connections between the Black Hole mass and the properties of the host galaxy require a co-evolution of galaxies and SMBH.



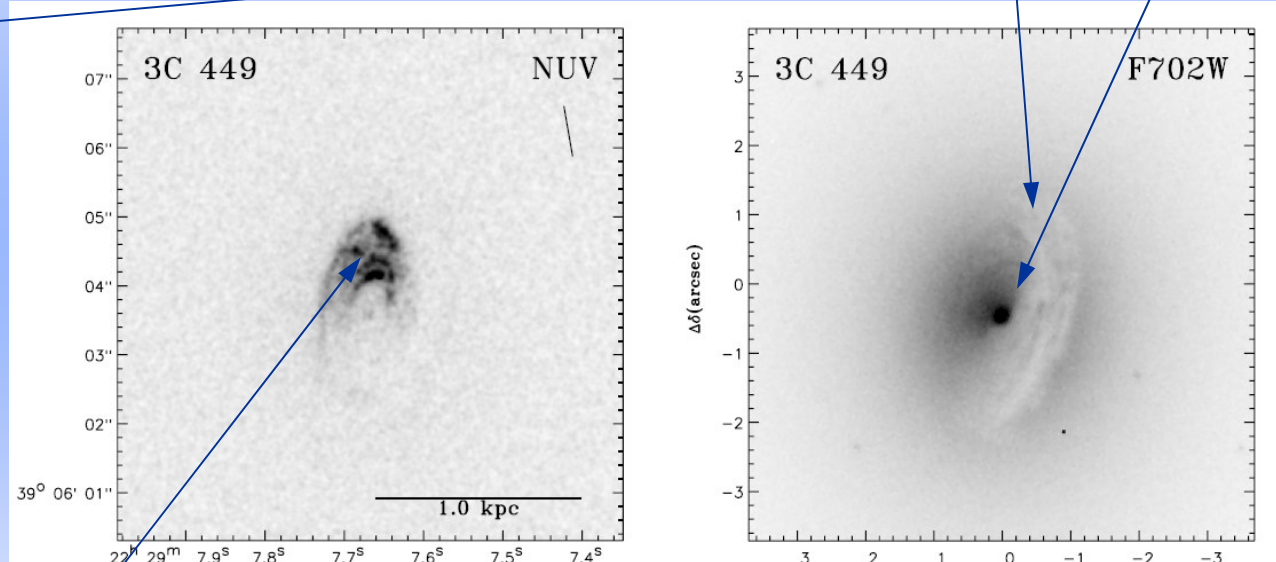
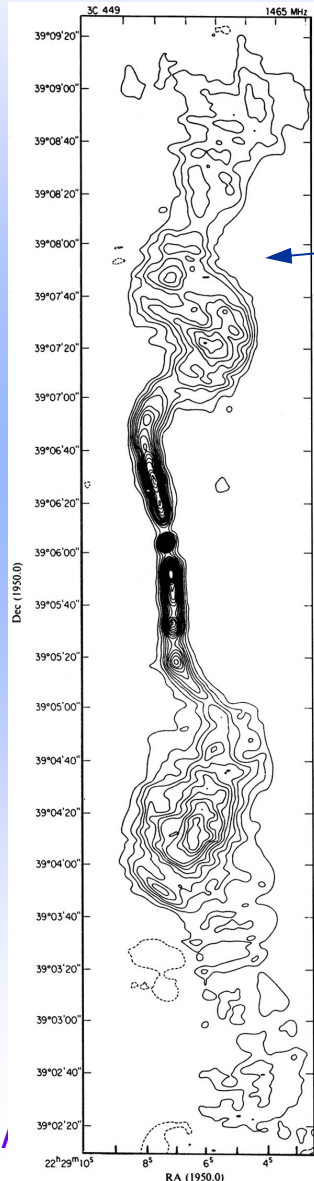
The Seyfert galaxy NGC 7130
UV image and spectrum.

UV observations open a unique window since both AGN and Star Forming Regions emit most of the light in this band. A quantitative energy budget, separating the contribution of AGN and SFR, can be obtained only with high resolution multi-band UV imaging. UV low resolution spectroscopy also provides important supporting diagnostics.

A spectacular example: the radio-galaxy 3C449

The center of the galaxy is surrounded by a disk of gas and dust.

The disk feeds the central black hole, producing an active nucleus that ejects a pair of relativistic jets.



UV imaging reveals that the gas in the disk is also forming stars.

A direct manifestation of co-evolution of the galaxy/black hole system.

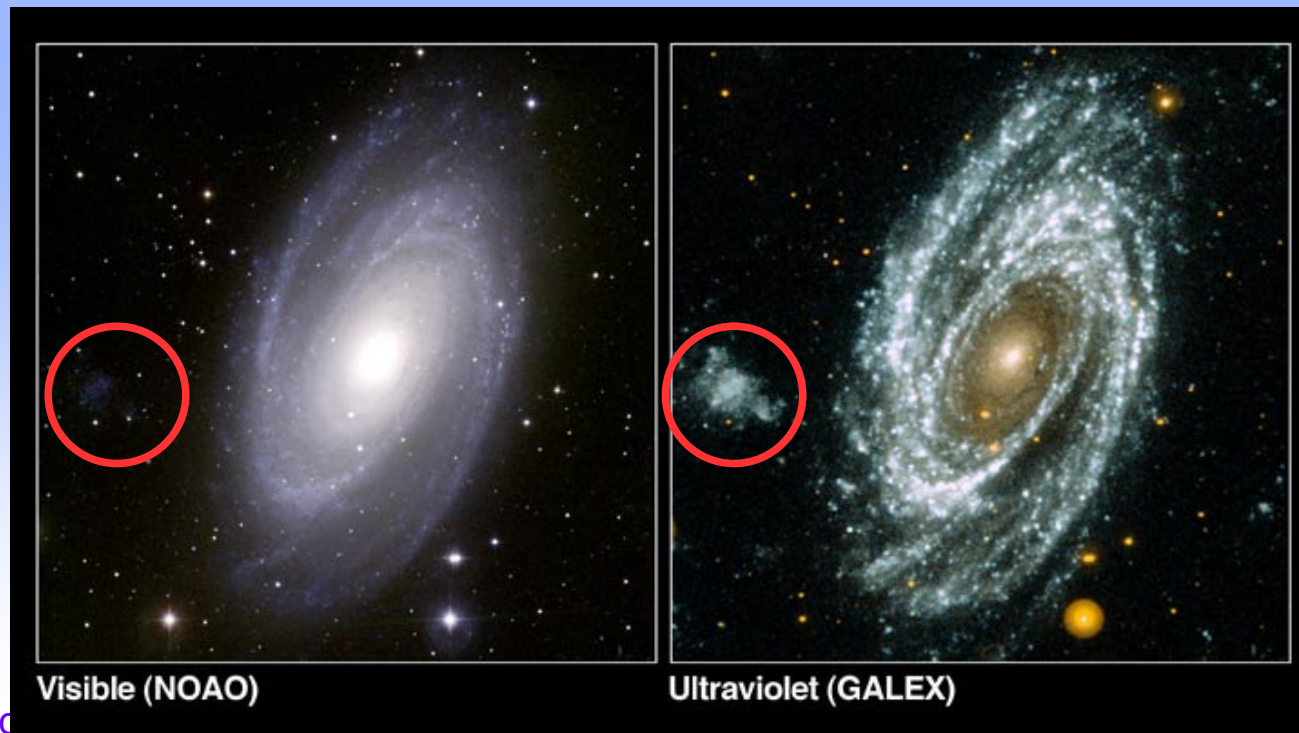
High angular resolution is an important requirement

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UV imaging of our own Local Group Analogs

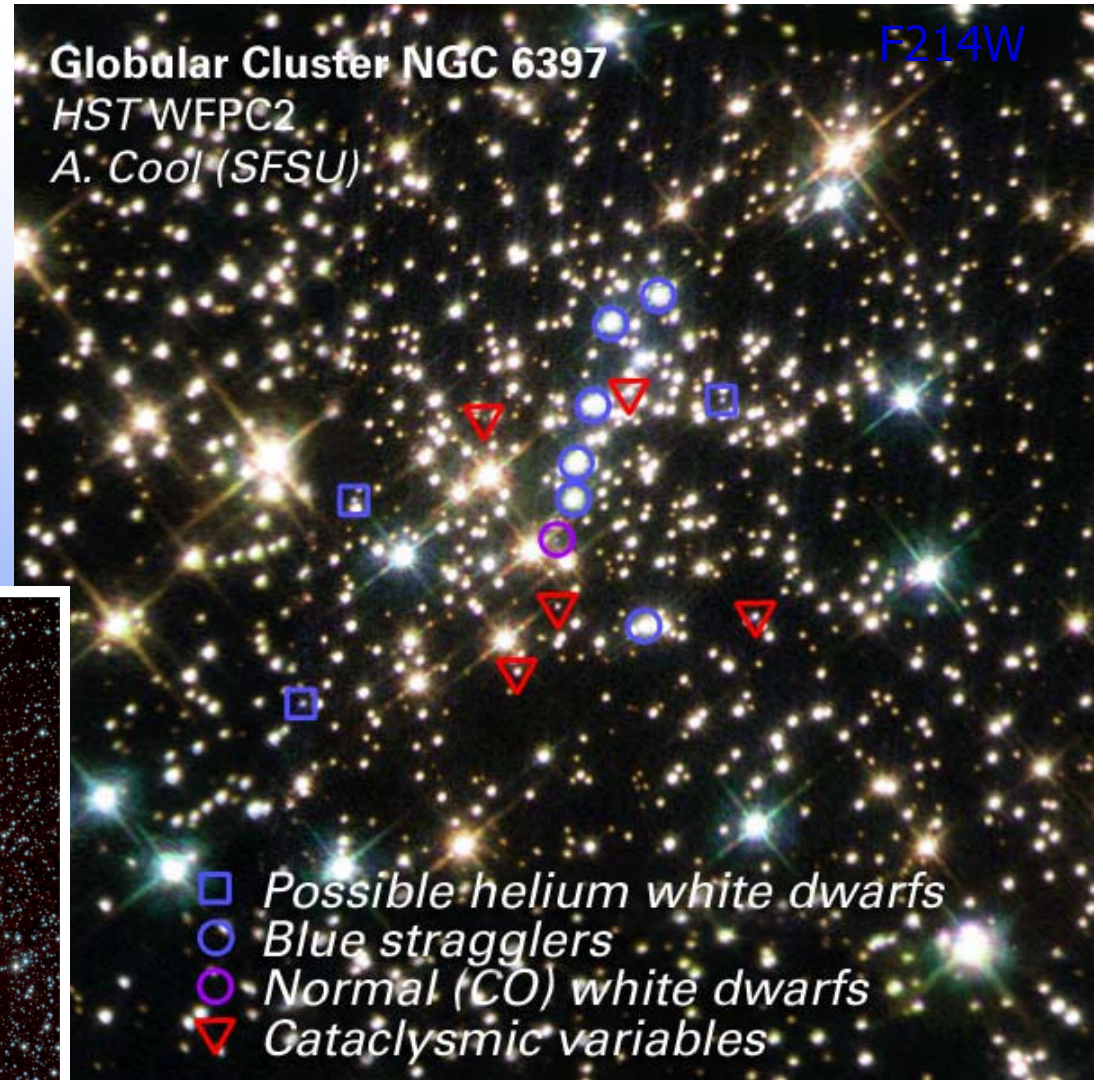
- i) Verify whether there is ongoing star formation;
- ii) Derive the number ratio of low-mass, star-forming systems to high-mass galaxies, addressing the so-called "missing satellite" problem;
- iii) Compare their properties with those of the Local Group dwarf satellites to better understand their formation and evolution.



Comparison of optical (left) and GALEX NUV+FUV (right) images of the nearby spiral M81. Notice how the satellite dwarf irregular Holmberg IX shows up at UV wavelengths.



In general, UV observations enable a number of studies on the stellar populations in dense star clusters



Globular clusters images in UV are not dominated by the red giant light, and therefore significantly less crowded.

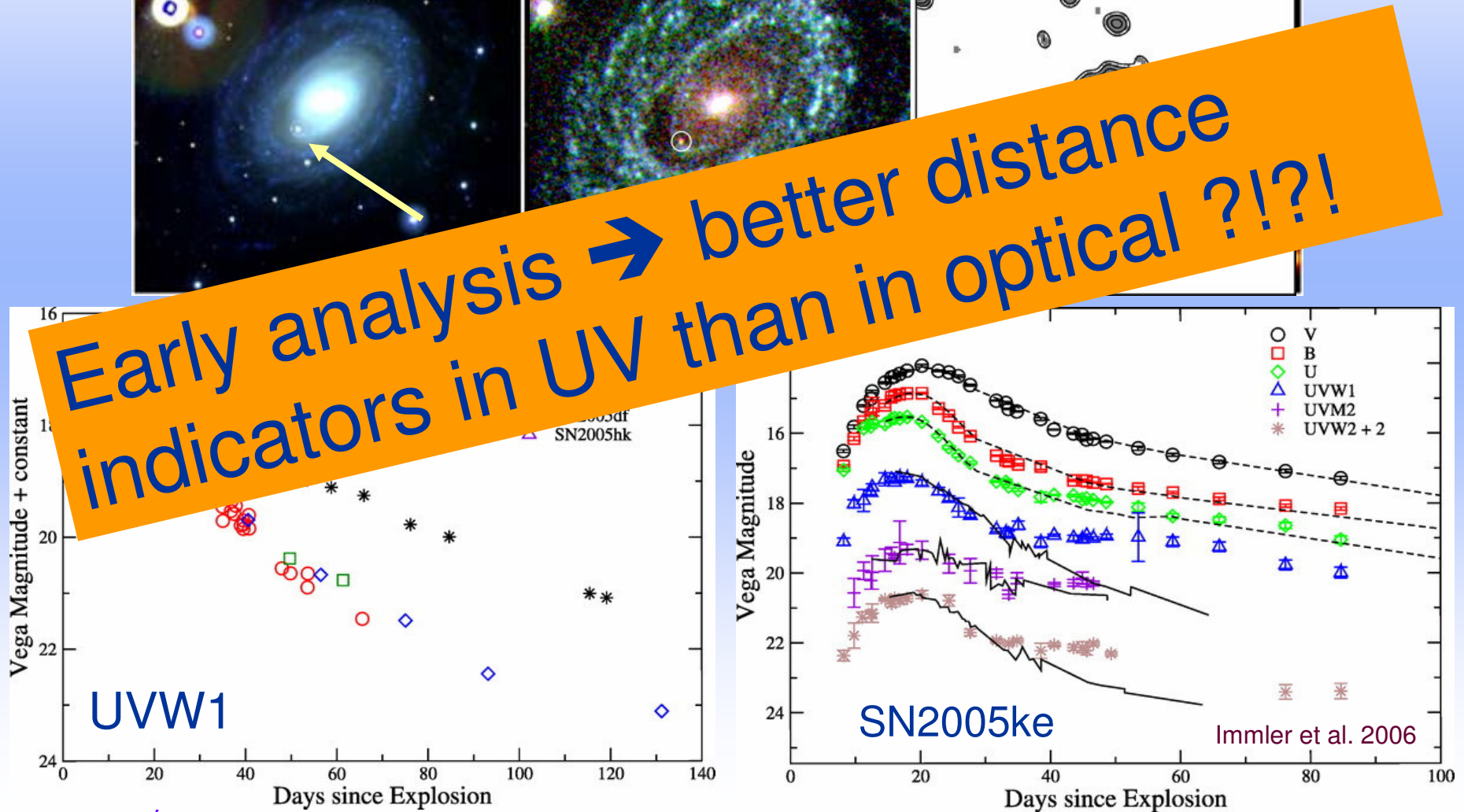
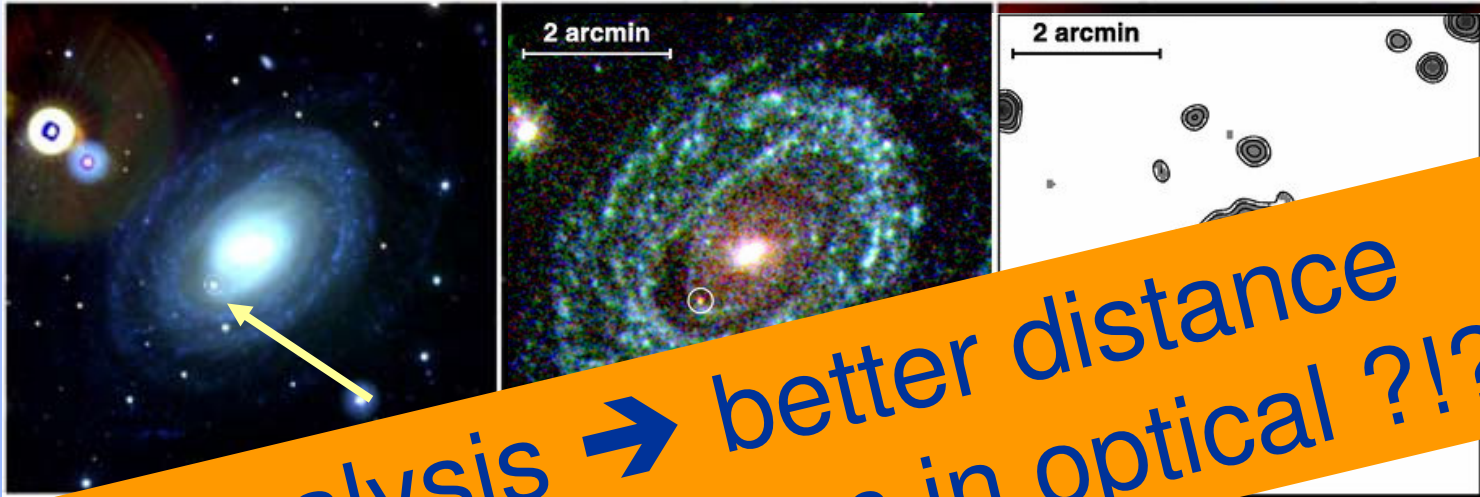
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Supernovae in UV

- Key cosmological probes
- UV observations fundamental to understand
 - a) SED in UV/optical in the local Universe to interpret high-z SNe
 - b) progenitors of SNe
 - c) physics of the explosions
 - d) interaction with the interstellar medium
 - e) galaxy extinction law(s)

New effort on SNe with Swift





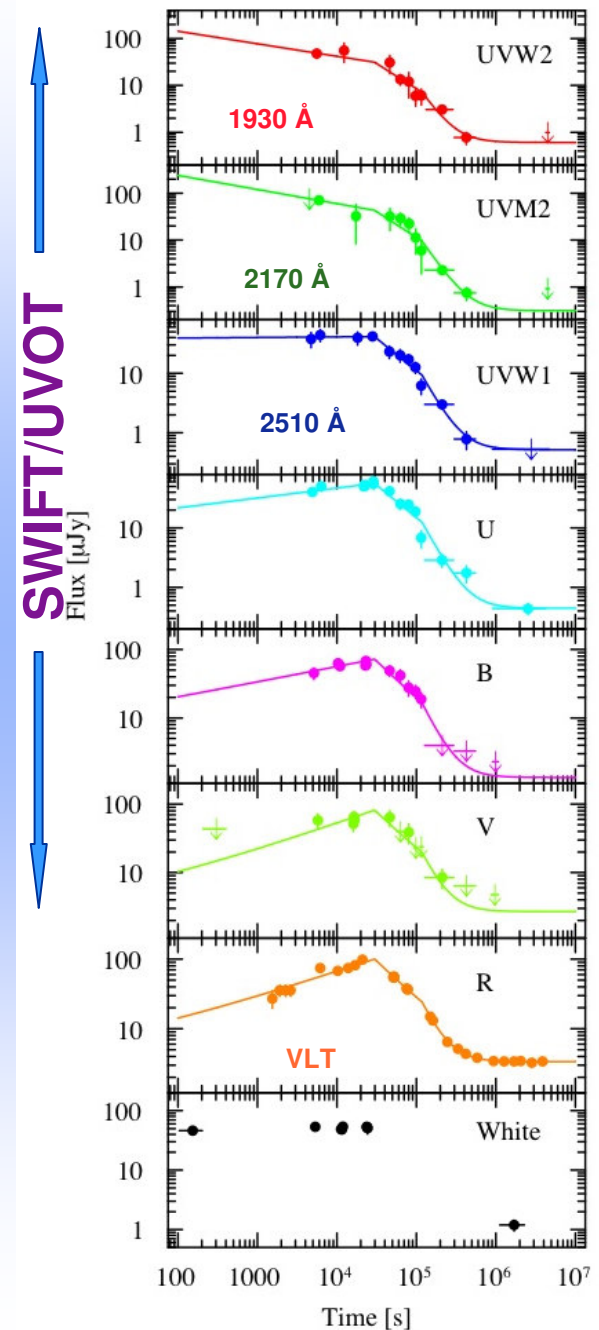
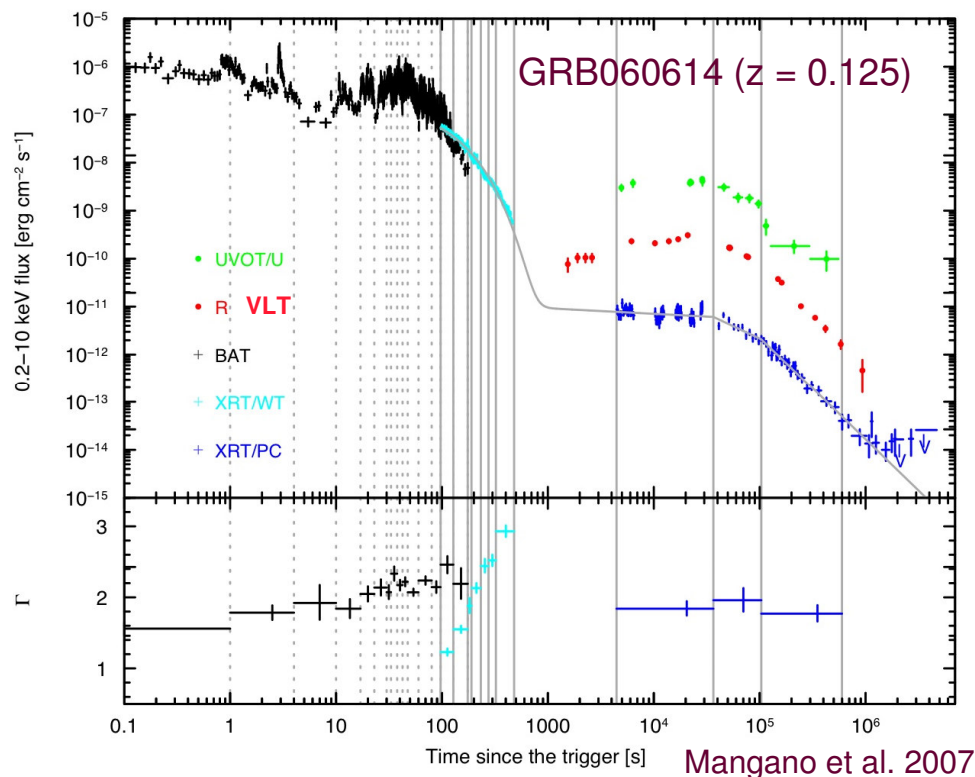
Gamma Ray Bursts Physics

Early light curves and spectral flux distributions: crucial for understanding the mechanisms of the prompt event and afterglow, and the transition between the two.

In the first hours, X and optical bands dominate the flux emission. **UV data are a still mostly missing link.**

Sometimes X and optical light curves show the same behavior. In other cases they do not. Different physical phenomena at work?

UV data become critical.





Summary of the FCU requirements

- The requirements toward the imager instrument on board WSO-UV in order to fulfill its **science objectives** are:
- the possibility to obtain **diffraction limited images** for $\lambda > 230$ nm (goal $\lambda > 200$ nm).
- S/N=10 per pixel in one hour exposure time down to:
 - V=26.2 (21.5 – 11.1) for a O3 V (A0 V - G0 V) star in the band F150W
 - V=24.6 (21.9 – 19.5) for a O3 V (A0 V - G0 V) star in the band F250W
 - V=26.3 (26.3 – 26.3) for a O3 V (A0 V - G0 V) star in the band F555W
- Spectral resolution:
 - R=100 at $\lambda=150$ nm
 - R>100 at $\lambda \geq 250$ nm
 - R=250 at $\lambda=500$ nm.
- Polarimetric filters
- High time resolution imaging
- The possibility to obtain wide field ($\sim 5 \times 5$ arcmin²) images from Far-UV to visual wavelengths.
- Partial overlap between spectral range covered by FUV and NUV and NUV and UVO, for relative calibration purposes.



NUV main science drivers

FOV of 60x60arcsec , wavelength coverage 150-280nm , optimally sampled PSF with 0.03 arcsec/px; Spectro-polarimetric facilities.

- **Imaging polarimetry and spectropolarimetry of AGN jets, GRBs, SNe, stellar jets, PNe and AGB shells**
- **GRB and SNe light curves in UV** (quick response facility of WSO-UV telescope to ToO objects)
- **UV light curve of transits of extrasolar planets as atmospheric diagnostic**
- **UV light in nearby galaxies: additional local calibrator of SED, SBF..**
- **Exotica in star clusters and nearby galaxies**
- **Magnetic activity in the atmosphere of late type stars**
- **Exospheres and aurorae in Solar System planets, satellites, comets**



Imaging polarimetry and spectro-polarimetry

AGN: structure of the magnetic fields in jets; separation of genuine host galaxy light from scattered light emitted by the central QSO, test of the unified model

Asphericity of SNe explosions

Dusty shells, jets, stellar activity in star formation regions

Magnetic fields in young stars,, CVs, accreting WDs

Protoplanetary disks

RGB, AGB star mass loss and planetary nebulae

Envelope structure of giant stars



Main science drivers of UVO

UVO is a fundamental contribution to WSO-UV, because of its field (286x286 arcsec, 2 times larger than ACS, three times larger than WFC3/UVIS), wavelength coverage (200-1000 nm), and resolution (diffraction limit at 500nm, 0.07 arcsec/pix) of UVO? Note the field similar to FUV

Optical counterpart of FUV (and JWST) surveys

High accuracy photometry in UV-optical

High accuracy astrometry

Extension of HST legacy (variability, proper motions, etc.)



Does the Scientific Community request an UV/optical Space Telescope?

Cycle 16 HST: 821 proposals
581 GO, 17200 **requested orbits**
(**2000 available**)
OVERSUBSCRIPTION: > 8 to 1!!!!
33 LP + 4 Tre., **5272 requested orbits**
(**1000 available**)
OVERSUBSCRIPTION: >5 to 1!!!!
+ 2005 orbits for survey programs
+ 3505 targets for snapshot programs

(1/3 galactic panels, 2/3 extragalactic panels, 3.7% SS)



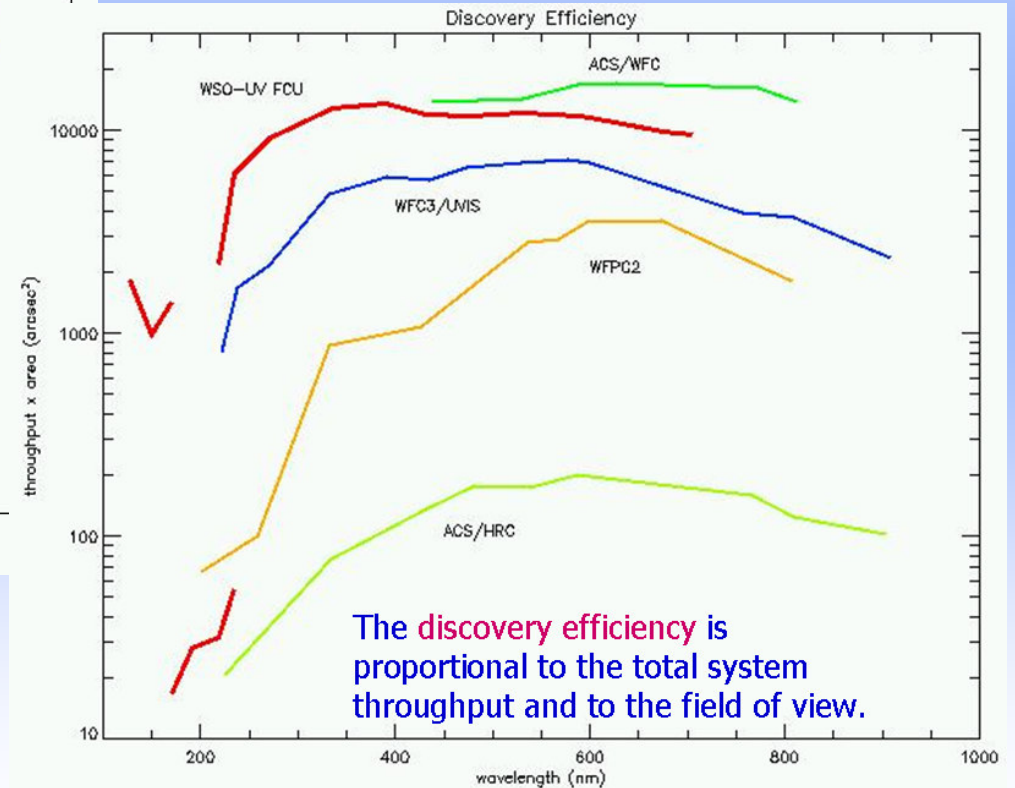
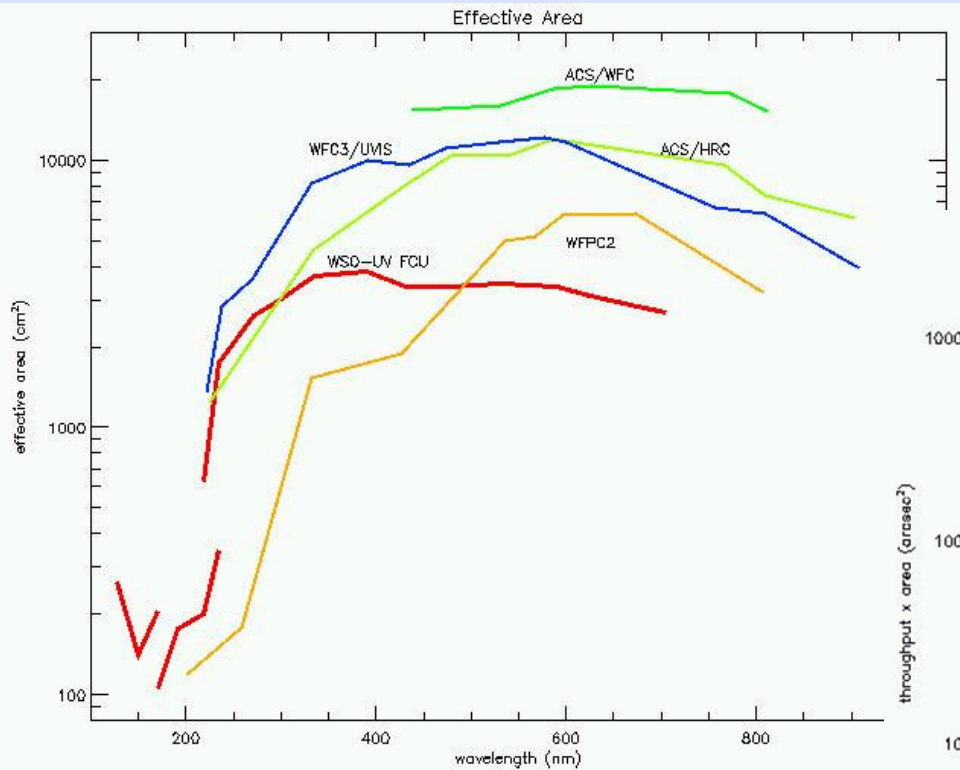
FCU Limiting magnitudes in UV

Magnitudes giving SNR 10 on 3600 s

	O3V	O5V	O6V	O8V	B0V	B3V	B5V	B8V	A0V	A5V	F0V	F5V	G0V	G5V	K0V	K5V	M5V
FUV F122M	25.8	25.7	25.6	25.3	25.3	24.1	23.1	22.0	19.8	16.4	14.2	11.6	9.1	7.9	6.2	5.3	5.3
FUV F130LP	28.1	28.0	27.8	27.6	27.6	26.6	26.0	25.3	23.9	21.4	19.8	17.8	15.5	14.4	12.3	6.9	6.4
FUV F157W	26.4	26.3	26.2	26.0	26.0	24.8	24.1	23.3	21.7	18.8	16.6	13.8	11.2	10.0	7.8	5.5	5.5
FUV F160BW	26.4	26.4	26.2	26.0	26.0	24.8	24.1	23.1	21.5	18.9	16.8	14.1	11.5	10.3	8.2	5.6	5.5
FUV F165LP	26.3	26.2	26.1	26.0	26.0	24.9	24.2	23.5	22.4	21.3	19.7	17.1	14.6	13.5	11.3	6.2	6.0
FUV F170W	26.6	26.6	26.4	26.3	26.3	25.1	24.5	23.6	22.3	20.4	18.5	15.9	13.3	12.1	9.9	5.8	5.7
FUV Clear	28.9	28.8	28.7	28.5	28.5	27.3	26.5	25.6	24.0	21.8	19.9	17.4	14.8	13.7	11.5	6.3	6.1
NUV F170W	26.1	26.0	25.9	25.8	25.8	24.7	24.1	23.3	22.2	21.2	19.9	18.2	16.6	15.8	14.0	10.5	10.2
NUV F218W	25.7	25.7	25.6	25.5	25.5	24.5	24.0	23.3	22.3	21.8	21.0	19.9	18.8	18.0	16.0	11.6	11.2
NUV F255W	25.0	25.0	24.9	24.8	24.8	24.0	23.5	22.8	21.9	21.5	20.9	20.2	19.5	19.0	17.9	14.0	13.4
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V Johnson mag

WSO-FCU vs HST ACS & WFC3





WSO-UV collaboration

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Germany	HIRDES (UVES & VUVES Spectrographs)	DLR Tuebingen University Kayser Threde
Italy	FCU (Field Camera Unit) & GS station	ASI INAF & Univ. of Florence & Univ. of Padua Galileo Av. & Thales-Alenia Space IT (MI)
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