

MAST User Group

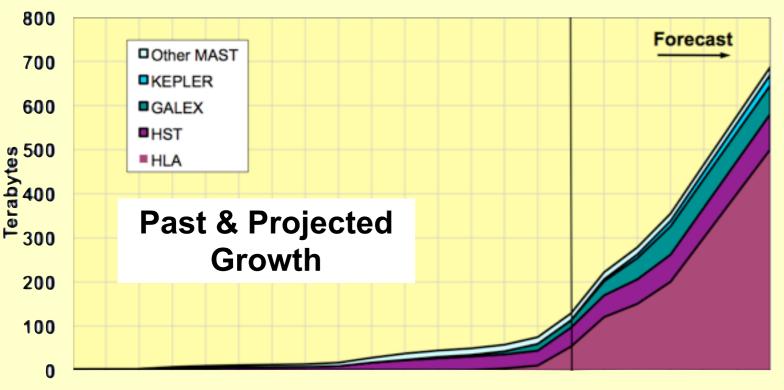
July 16, 2010

08:30-09:00 Breakfast			
09:00-10:30	Welcome and Introductions User Survey Results GALEX Update	White & Levay Conti Smith	40 + 10 min 15 + 5 min 10 + 5 min
10:30-10:50	Coffee Break		
10:50-12:30	HLA Kepler VAO	White Fraquelli & Smith Nieto-Santisteban	30 + 10 min 25 + 10 min 20 + 10 min
12:30-14:00	Lunch Break		
14:00-15:00	HST Operations Work in Progress	Kyprianou & Scott Conti	20 + 10 min 30 min_
15:00-15:30	Coffee Break		
15:30-17:00	MUG Executive Session.		

"Welcome & Introductions'
Karen Levay & Rick White

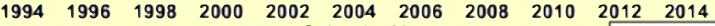
Highlights of MAST Activities

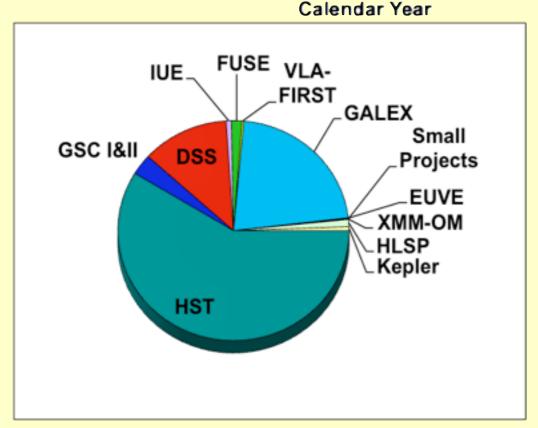
Karen Levay & Rick White MAST Users Group 2010 July 16

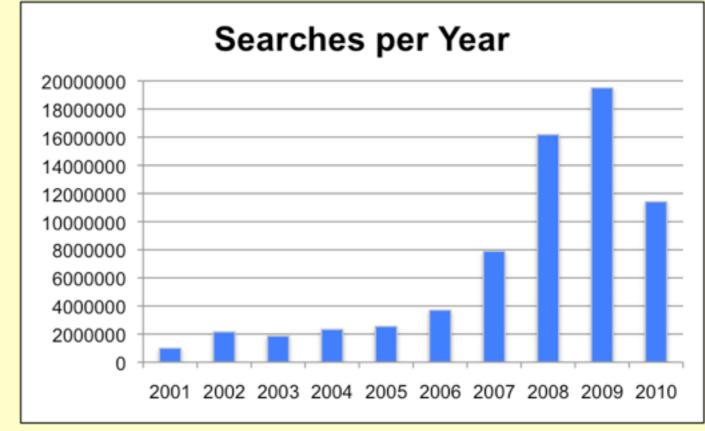


MAST Data & Usage Growth

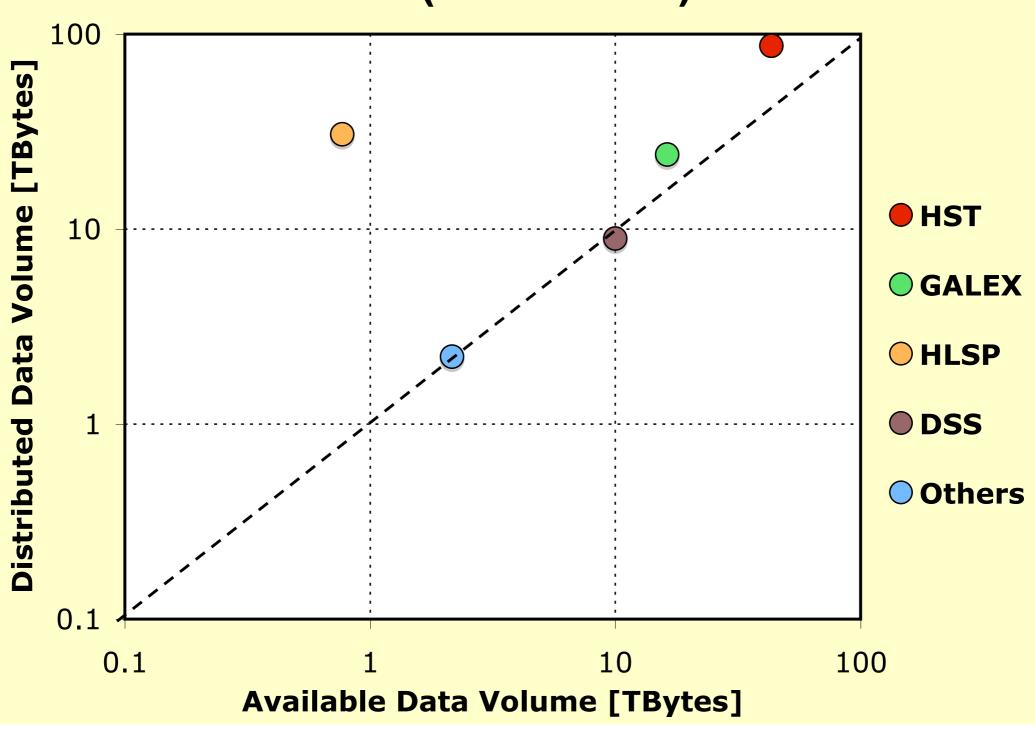
80 TB of mission products
53 TB in HLA



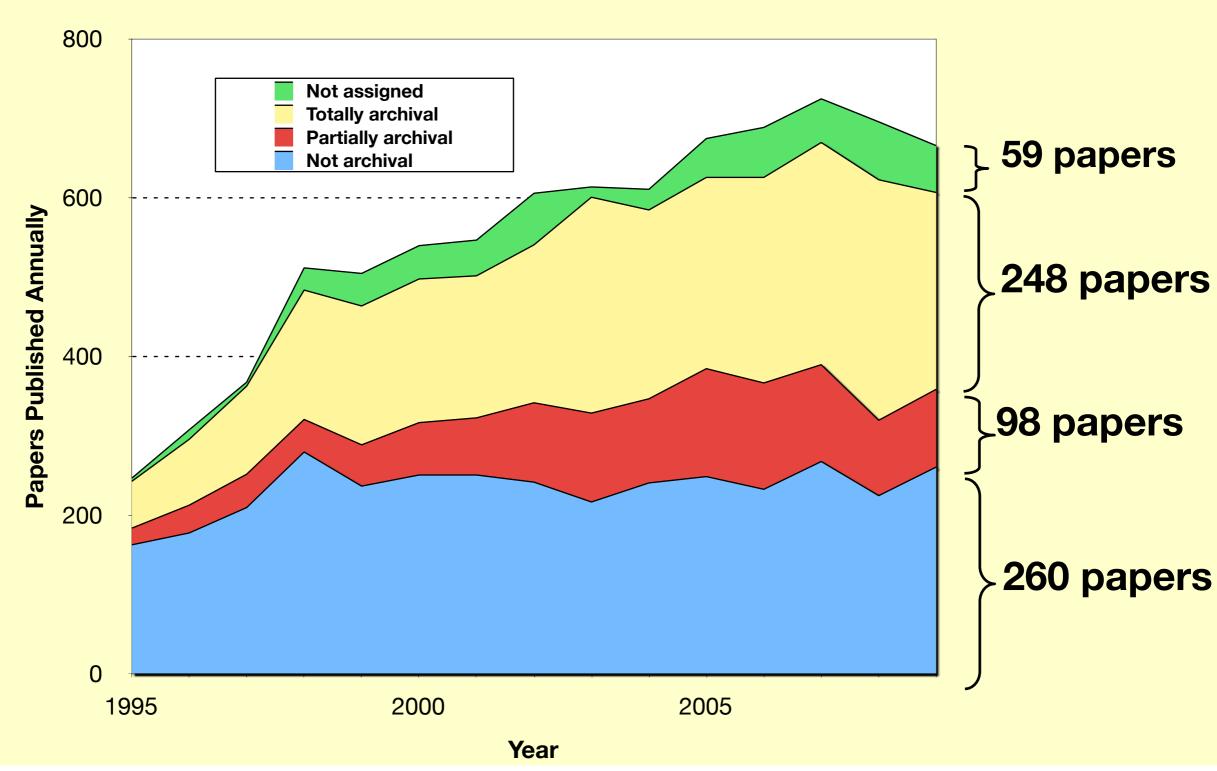




Distribution and Data Volume (2007-2009)



HST Publication Statistics



Archive Center

- "Archive center" organization was established to help unify various STScI archive projects (Dec 2008)
 - Carl Johnson (project manager), Gretchen Greene (chief engineer),
 Rick White (archive center scientist) are triumvirate coordinating
 group activities
 - Includes Archive Sciences Branch (K. Levay), Data Systems Branch (M. Kyprianou), Operations (F. Abney), Science Software Branch (P. Greenfield), and IT staff.
- Recent activities:
 - Roadmap defining high-level goals approved by all missions (HST, JWST, MAST).
 - Integrated plan being developed for near and medium term.
 - Defining several larger projects to help better integrate archives at some level.

MAST/Archive Science Branch Staffing Changes

- Numerous staffing changes!
 - Departures:
 - Rachel Somerville (to Science Mission Office)
 - **Kim Gillies** (to Thirty-Meter Telescope project)
 - Additions:
 - Alberto Conti (archive scientist)
 - Maria Nieto-Santisteban (database engineer, JWST)
 - Tom Donaldson (software engineer) [September 2010]
 - Role changes:
 - Karen Levay (ASB chief), Mark Kyprianou (DSB chief), Faith Abney (DPAS chief), Dorothy Fraquelli (DPAS, CSC mgr), Lee Quick (HLA coordination lead)

ASB=Archive Science Branch, DSB=Data Systems Branch DPAS=Data Processing & Archiving Services, CSC=Computer Sciences Corporation

MAST/Archive Center Staff

ASB Branch			
Alberto Conti	Maria Nieto-Santisteban		
Tom Donaldson*	Tony Rogers		
Theresa Dower	Bernie Shiao		
Tim Kimball	Myron Smith		
Charlie Loomis	Randy Thompson		
Brian McLean	Shui-Ay Tseng		
Karen Levay (lead)			

Other MAST/HLA Staff			
Stefano Casertano	Mark Kyprianou		
Dorothy Fraquelli	Steve Lubow		
Niall Gaffney	Lee Quick		
Gretchen Greene	Rick White		
Anton Koekemoer	Michael Wolfe		

Also collaborators outside STScI, principally at CADC and ST-European Coordinating Facility

*Starting September 2010

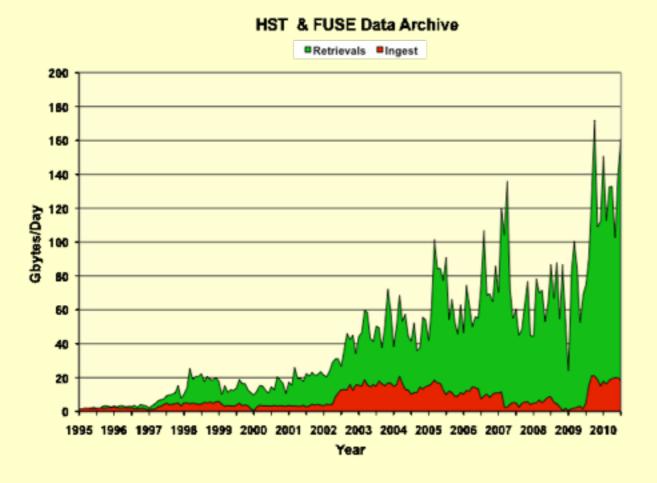
2009–2010 Hubble Highlights

- HST [M.Kyprianou, J.Scott]
 - -Successful Servicing Mission 4, 2009 May 12–24 COS, WFC3, ACS/STIS repair, gyros, batteries, ...
 - Large S/W effort to prepare for SMOV
 - Several "quick-fixes" during SMOV
 - "Starview on the Web" deployed November



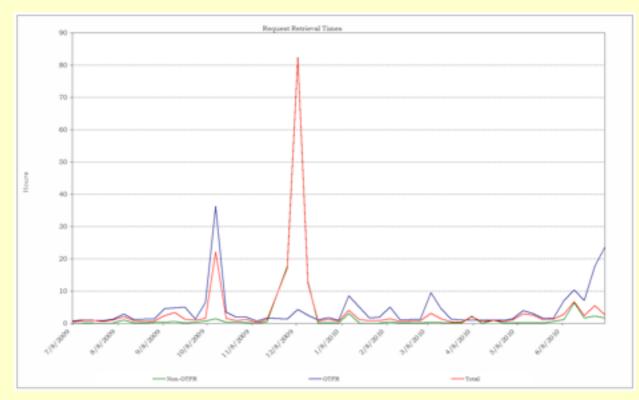
- Reprocessing of WFPC2 and pre-SM4
 NICMOS data
 - During reprocessing, we bumped up against system limitations (e.g. DADS/OTFR struggled with multiple, simultaneous NICMOS reprocessing requests for associations with over 200 members).

HST Data Ingest and Retrievals

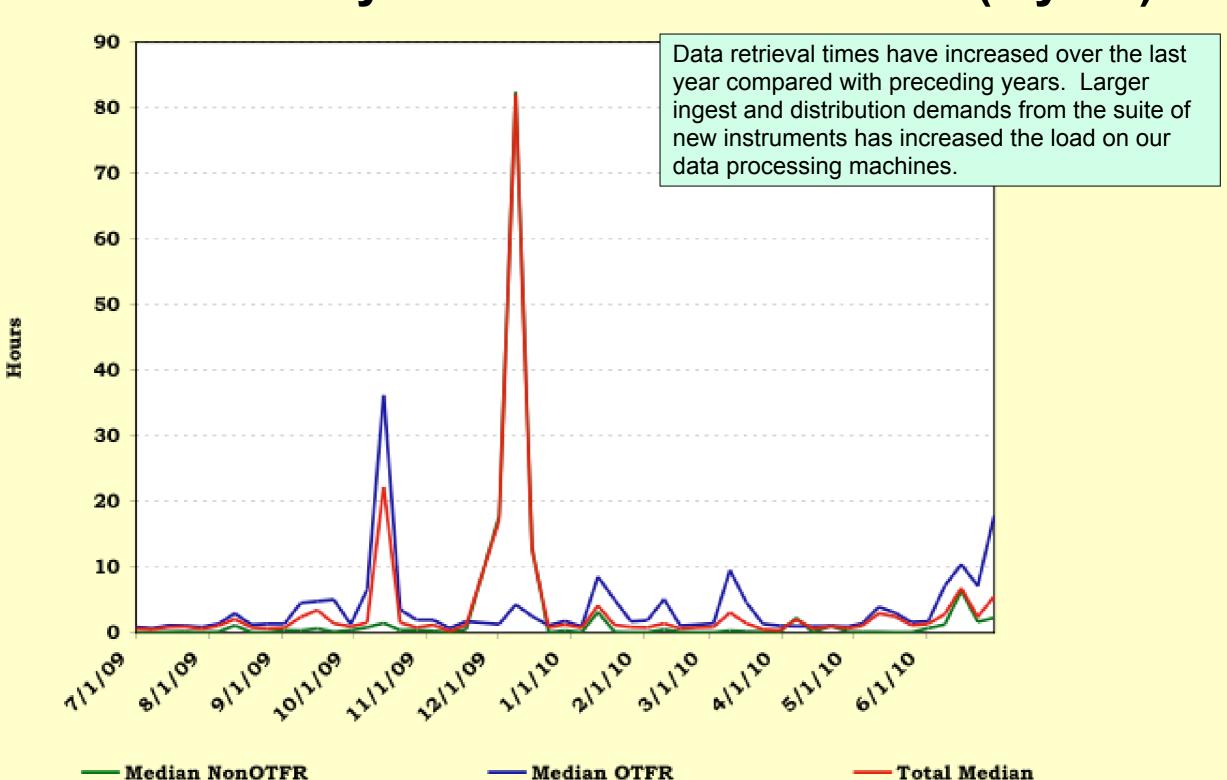


Both HST data volume into archive (red) and volume distributed (green) continue to grow.

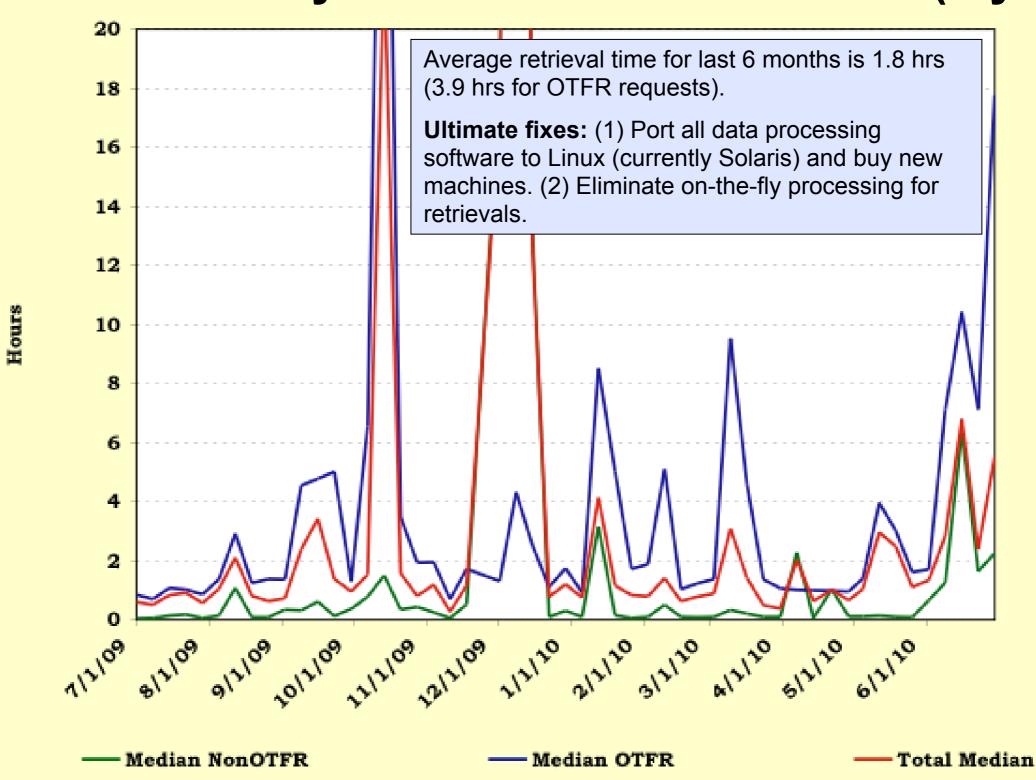
Average time needed to fulfill requests for OTFR data rises.



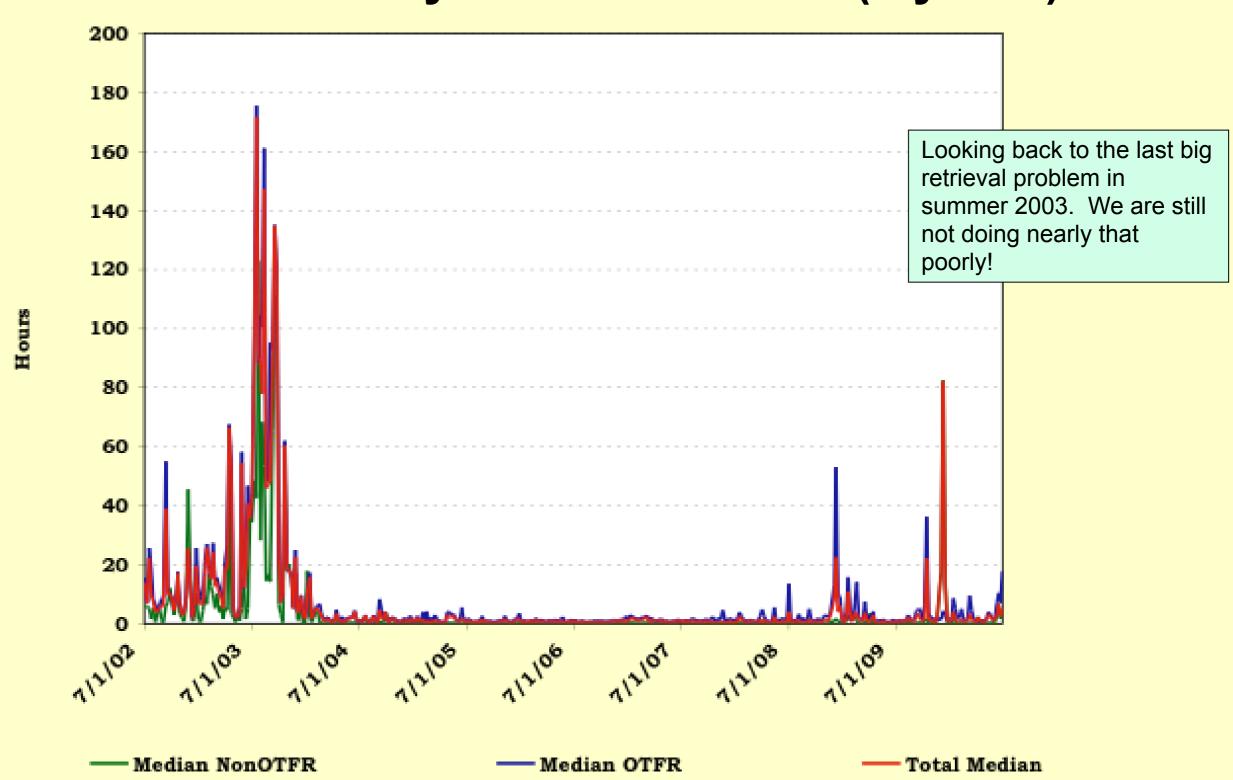
HST Weekly Median Retrieval Times (1 year)



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HST Weekly Retrieval Times (8 years)

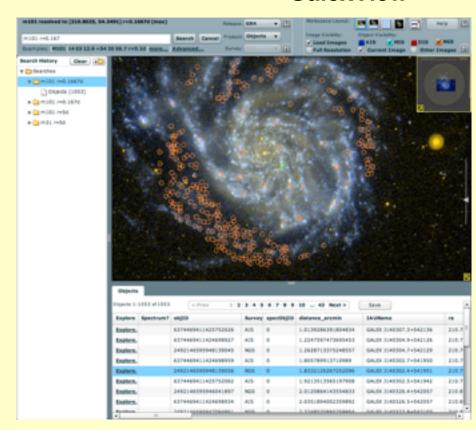


2009–2010 FUSE, GALEX Highlights

- FUSE wrap-up
 - Reprocessing completed, documentation rewritten by the FUSE project, web site revamped. Last data ingested Fall 2009.
- GALEX [M.Smith]
 - GR5/6 releases
 - GR6 all-sky survey completion expected by September 2010
 - SDSS DR7 to GALEX GR4/5 cross-match
 - GalexView (Flex/Flash) and GALEX
 Map interfaces continued to be improved.

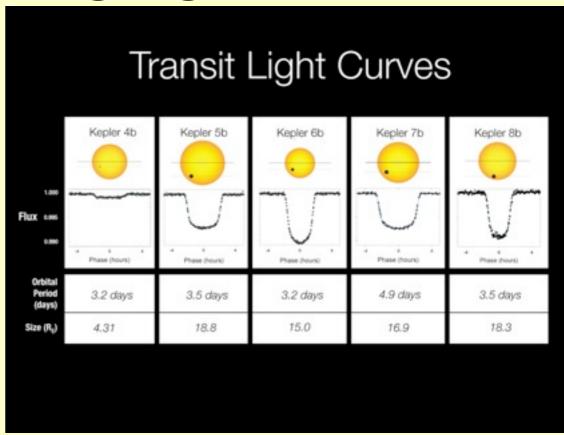


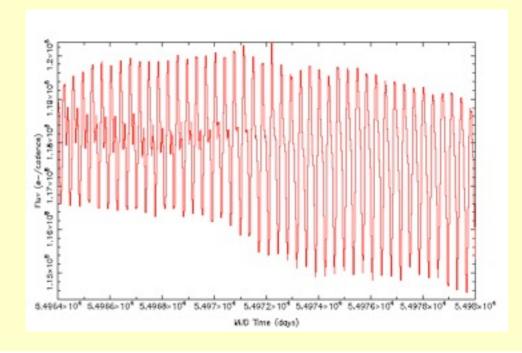
GalexView



2009–2010 Kepler Highlights

- Kepler launched March 6, 2009 [D.Fraquelli]
- Successfully archived Quarters 0, 1, 2 and 3 data. Although a lot of work to prepare for operations, we had a smooth start.
- First 5 planet detections announced at January 2009 AAS. MAST archiving the HLSP for these data.
- Q0/Q1 public data release 2010 June 15: 216,181 public light curves!
- 592,327 searches & 4.37 TB distributed through 2010 June!





More 2009–2010 Highlights

- New mission: EPOCh/EPOXI
 - -Photometry of eight stars with transiting planets
 - Whole-Earth observations for comparison with exoplanets
- JWST archival work has begun, significant effort planned over coming year

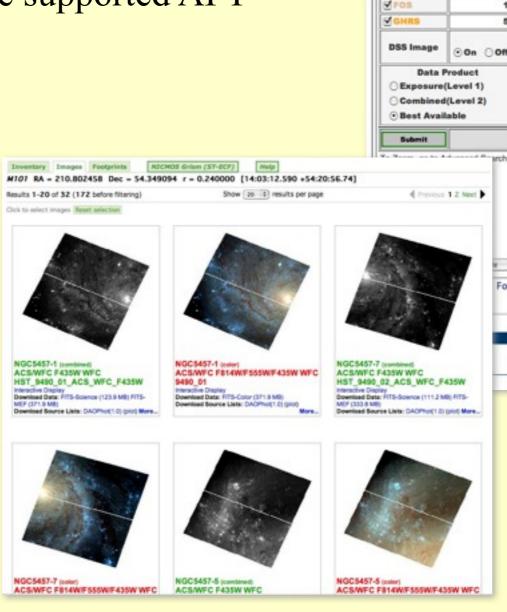
Hubble Legacy Archive

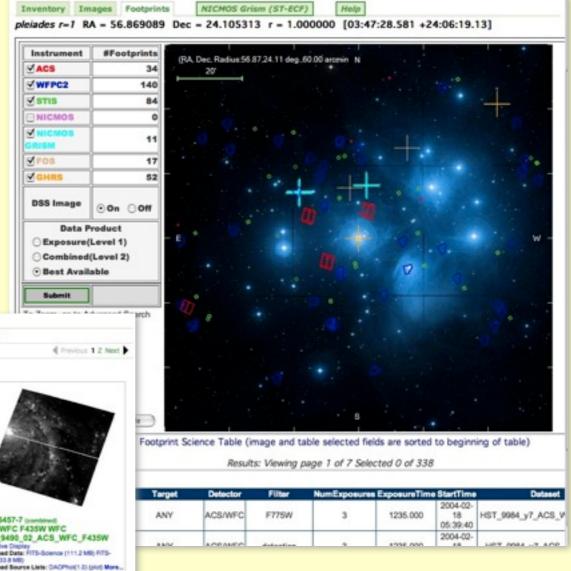
• Hubble Legacy Archive (HLA)

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- DR4 in March 2010 [R. White]
- Footprint database supported APT for Cycle 18

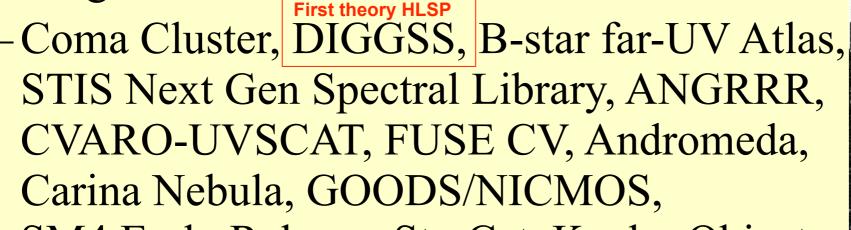


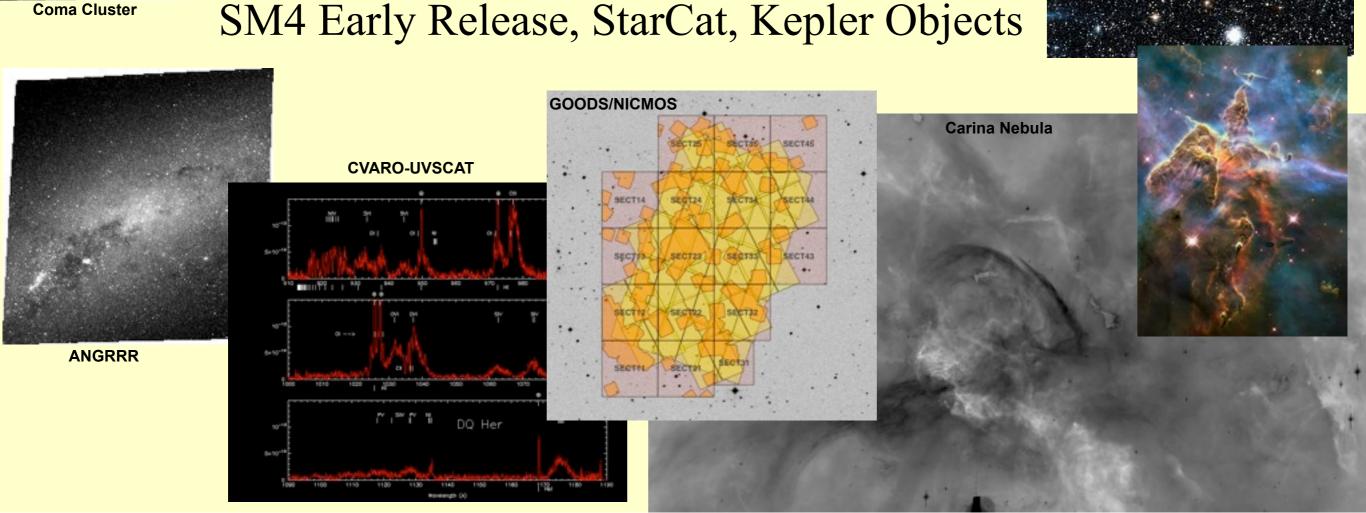




2009-2010 HLSP Highlights

New High Level Science Products





Coma Cluster

Budget and Related Issues

- MAST funding from 2008 Senior Review finally started 6/1/2009
 - Delay in funding start impacted MAST work & hardware purchases over last year
 - Pretty much back on budget and schedule now
- VAO funding finally committed 5/11/2010 [M. Nieto-Santisteban]
 - Proposal submitted April 2008
 - Delay did have some impact on MAST work
- Space Telescope-European Coordinating Facility closing 12/31/10
 - ST-ECF support for advanced HST archival work will be missed
- Next NASA Senior Review on accelerated schedule
 - Spring 2011 instead of 2012
 - Less than two years of funding before we write next proposal
 - Probably moved up to avoid conflict with other Sr Revs in 2012

Some Current/Planned Activities

- Cross-mission [A. Conti]
 - -Storage broker for integrated file storage
 - -MAST Portal: new user interface
 - Data model [B.McLean]
 - -Footprint database: integrate all MAST missions into the HLA footprint DB [Conti/McLean]
 - Extend CasJobs database access (previously GALEX-only) to other MAST missions
 - Moving Target Database/Interface
 - Starting to think about interface; may use the VO SkyBoT tool to identify observations

Some Current/Planned Activities

- HST/DADS [M.Kyprianou, J.Scott]
 - -"Future of OPUS" project to replace pipeline software
 - Migrate to Linux and MS SQL
 - Move on-the-fly-reprocessing (OTFR) to the background so retrievals are much faster
- Kepler
 - -New tools for light curve browsing and manipulation
- GALEX
 - Integrate GalexView and the MAP

2009 MUG Report Followup

- Some work deferred to deal with resource limits
 - Most GALEXview enhancements, moving target searches, AstroTag (science keyword indexing)
 - -Still planned for future work
- Several items are planned to be addressed via portal
 - Enhanced user forum, personalized login & preferences, user data subscriptions & alerts, AstroTag
 - -Note old user forum was shut down

2009 MUG Report Followup (HLA items)

• Done:

- HLA image-of-the-month (http://hla.stsci.edu/iotm/): sample data products & tool usage
- Help center improves documentation (incl. new HLA glossary)
- Sextractor/DAOphot parameters are included in catalogs
- Footprint polygons are in search result tables

• In progress:

- Mosaic image production (much progress, still more to do)
- Weight & rms maps available (will be improved with new format)
- HLA "school" still in discussion (archive workshop Spring 2011?)
- PASP paper still in preparation

• Not yet:

 Multi-filter selection in spectral column; easy access to exposures from combined image; parallel-to-primary target links

2009 MUG Report Followup (Kepler items)

- Establish common & proper time and "flux" units
 - Time units still being worked by Kepler project
 - Light curves now in electrons/sec (better than previous electrons/ cadence)
- Make light curves easily accessible
 - Direct FITS downloads for single curves and bulk data
 - Interactive preview tool for light curves
- Enhance light curve search capabilities
 - KIC fields available in data search (e.g., g-r color)
 - Not done: Searching by variability properties (e.g., varies by more than 0.5 mag)
 - Requires adding light-curve measurements to database (both quantities and method for keeping up-to-date are TBD)
- Aside: Moving target experiments led to recognition that some asteroids cross Kepler fields; status flags added to Kepler data

2009 MUG Report Followup (Misc. items)

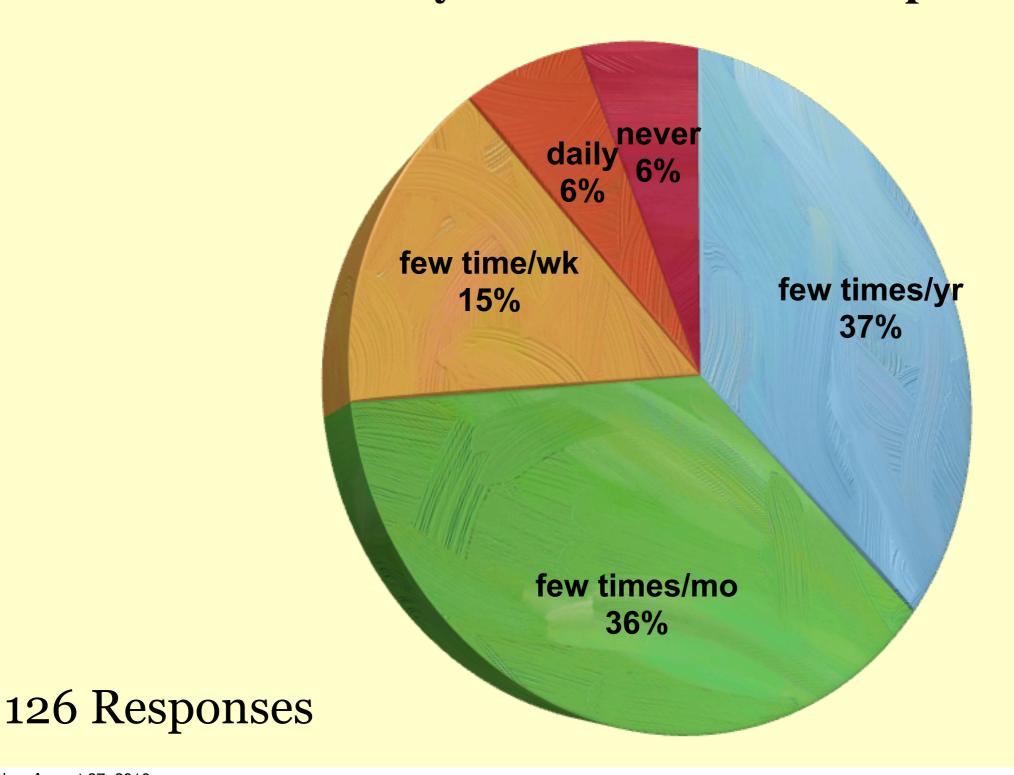
- Have survey ask for rankings of features
 - Sorting is hard for users; current results seem clear on preferences
- Put MAST missions in HLA footprint database
 - Work is in progress; high priority for Senior Review
 - Observation data model work also relevant
- Hide or tag outdated documents
 - Mainly outside of MAST, but still needs attention
- Enable larger inputs and outputs for searches
 - CasJobs is being extended to other missions (allows very large queries, controls load on STScI resources through queue)
 - Kepler CasJobs in test, others will be added as resources allow
 - Note all databases are on one server, making extension fairly easy
 - ObsTAP VO interface will also allow large asynchronous queries



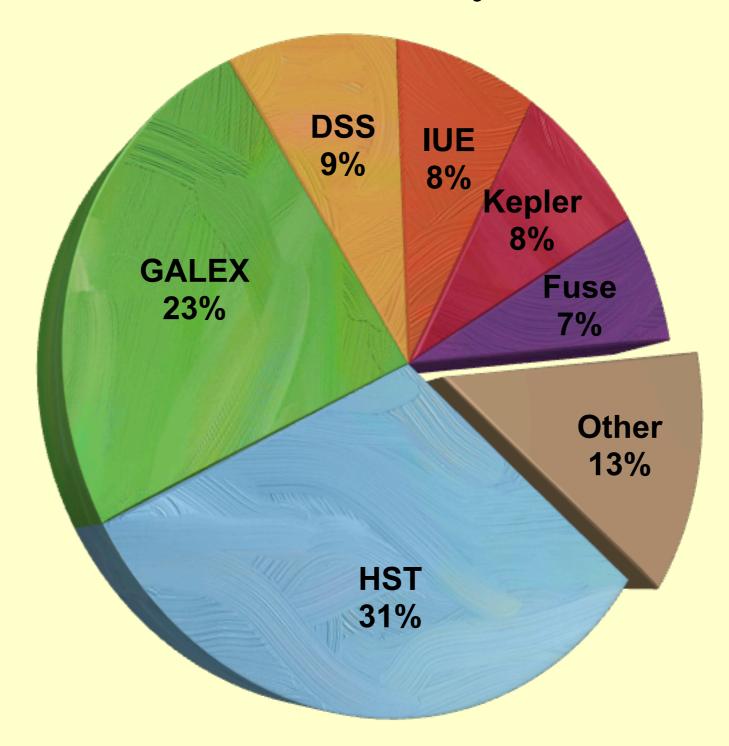
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"User Survey Results" Alberto Conti

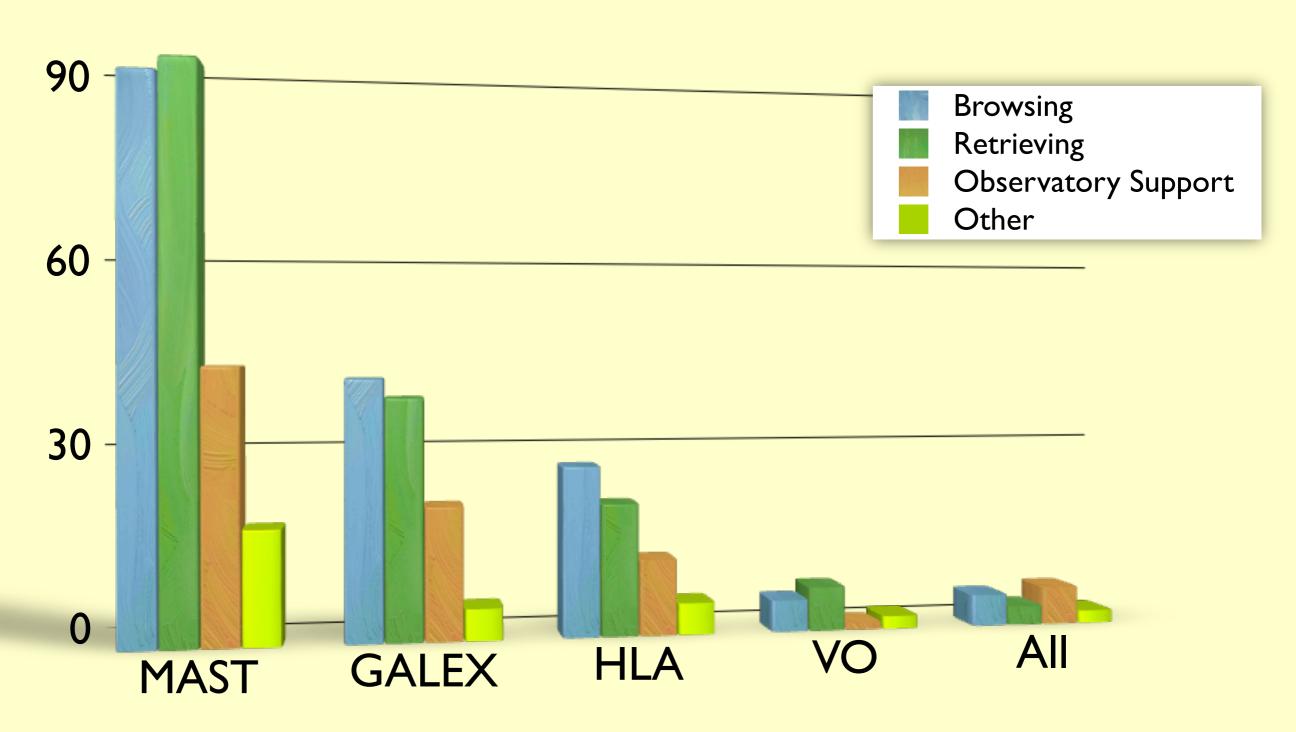
1. How often have you used MAST in the past 12 months?



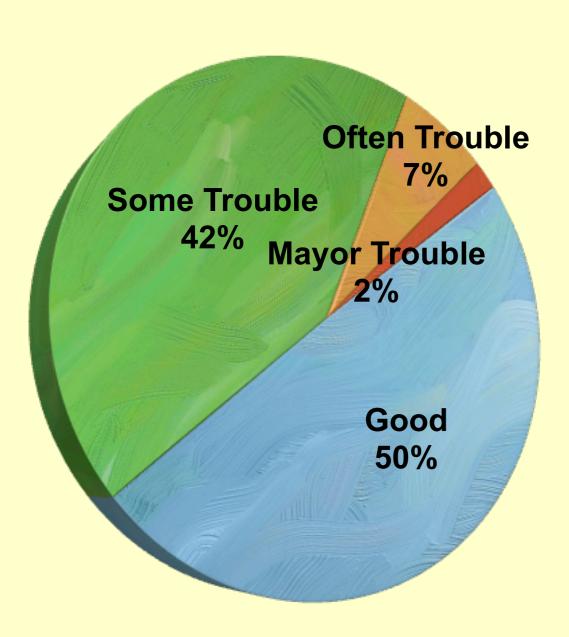
2. Which missions did you access?



4. Which MAST interfaces do you commonly use?



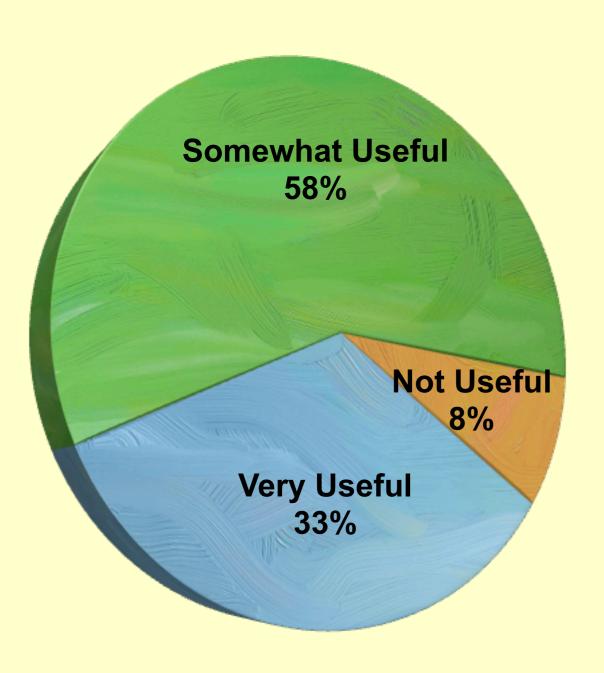
5. Describe your experience with MAST documentation



- "GALEX/Casjobs documentation [...] not sufficiently detailed"
- "Figuring out the difference in what units the counts were in for MAST and HLA data was confusing and difficult to find"
- "Add a link to a page that contains links to all available documentation related the mission + all available tools related this mission"

107 Responses

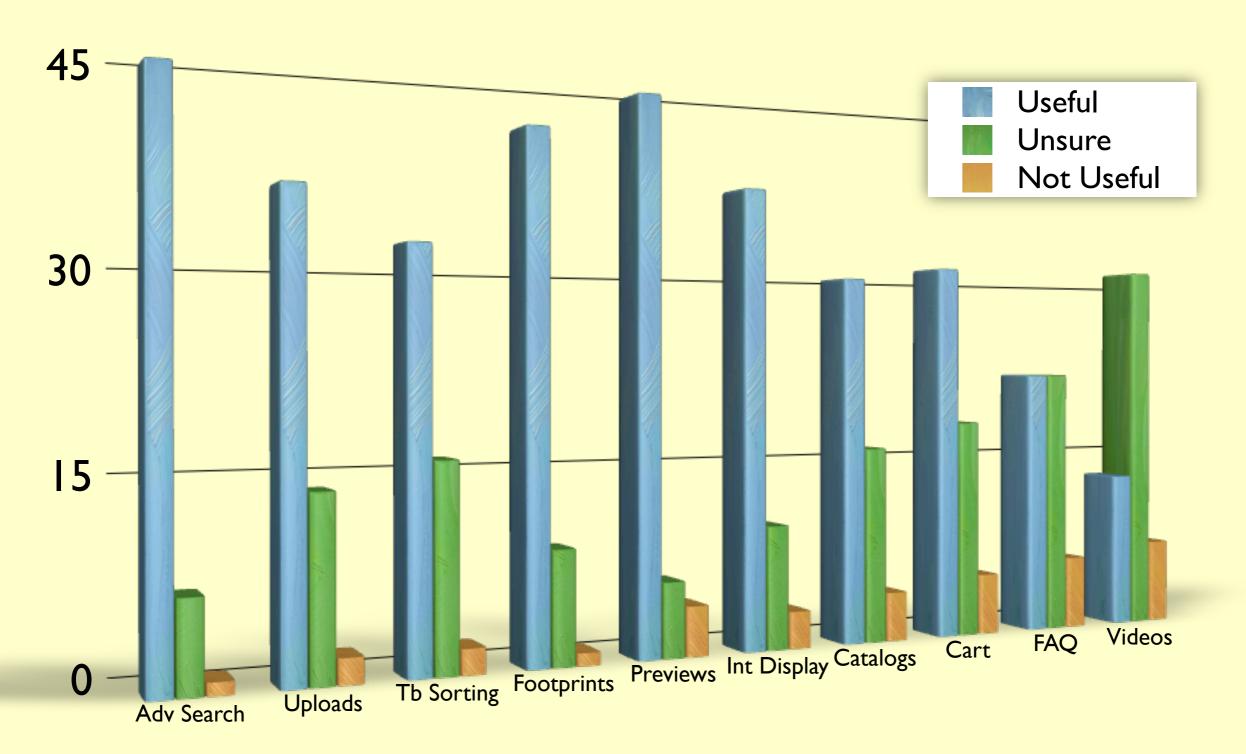
5. Describe your experience with the Kepler archive



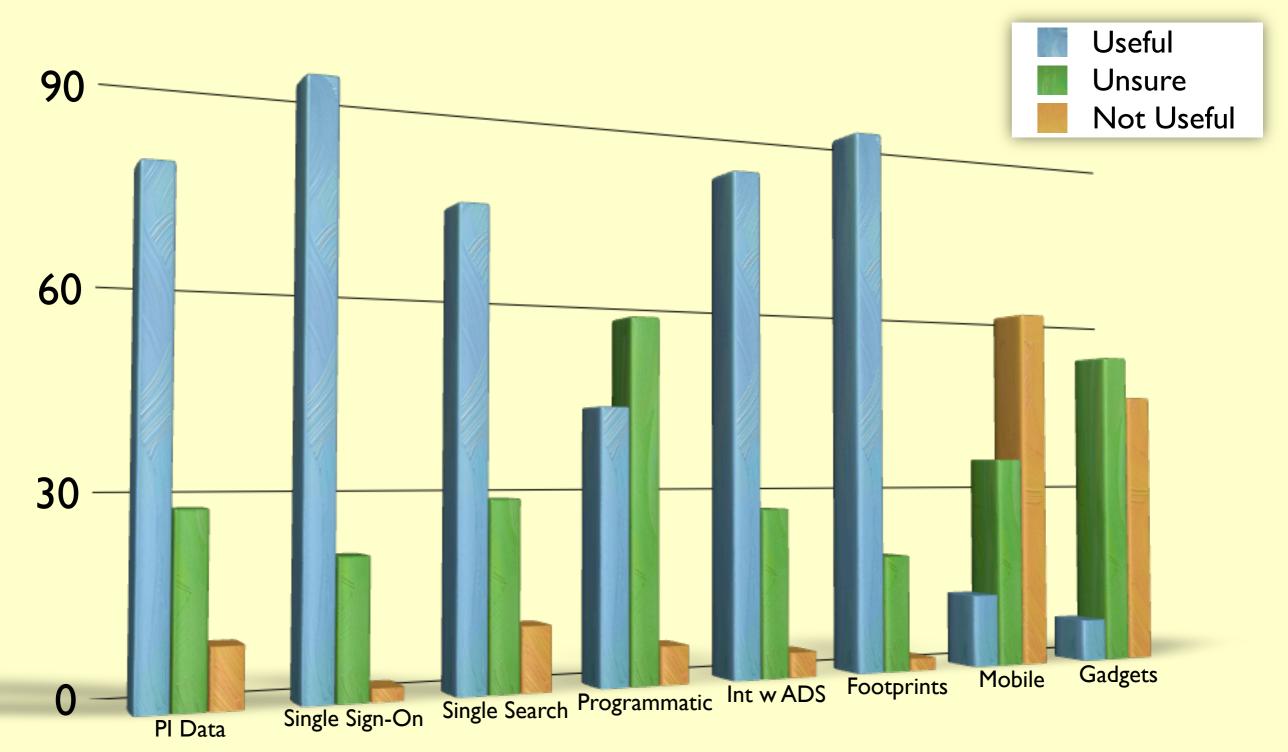
- "Would like to see some persistence added to the Web form"
- "Too little data available at this time to make a solid judgment"
- "I needed light curve for large amount of sources and it took me a while to find the 'ftp archive'"
- "The FITS files need to include flags indicating data quality"

24 Responses

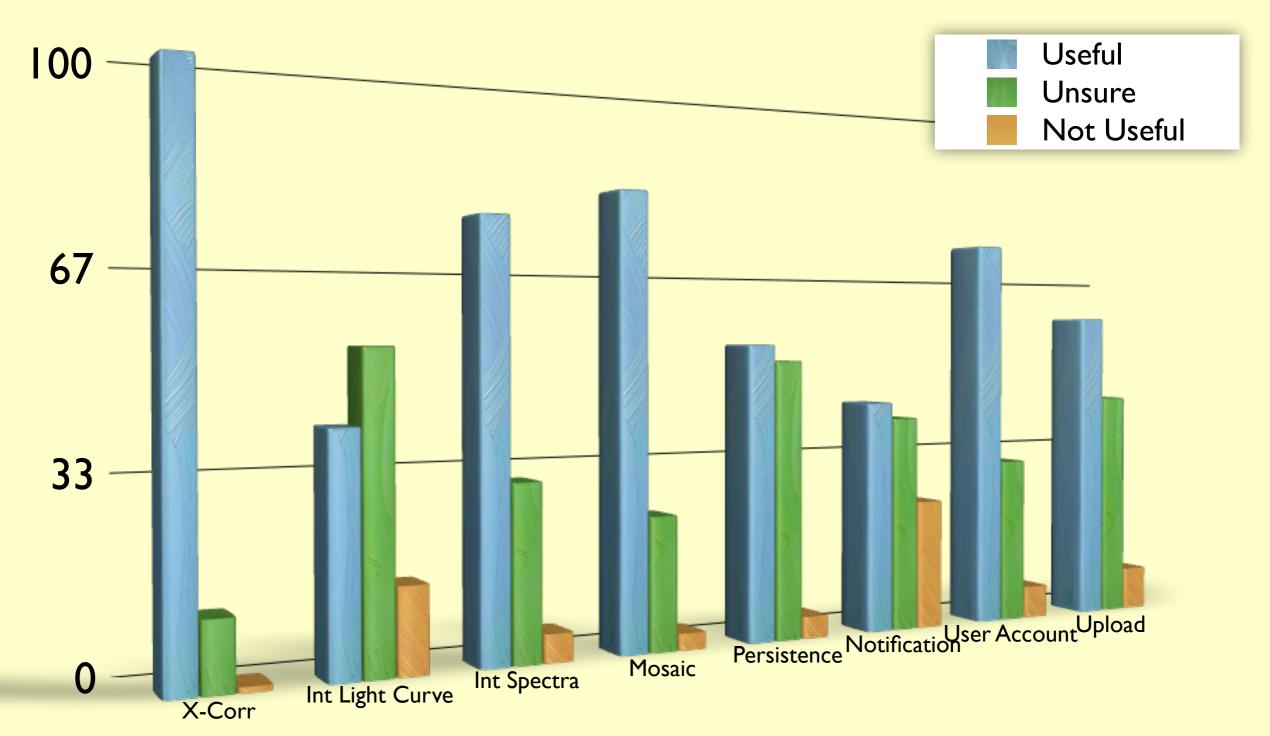
8. Please rate the usefulness of the following HLA tools



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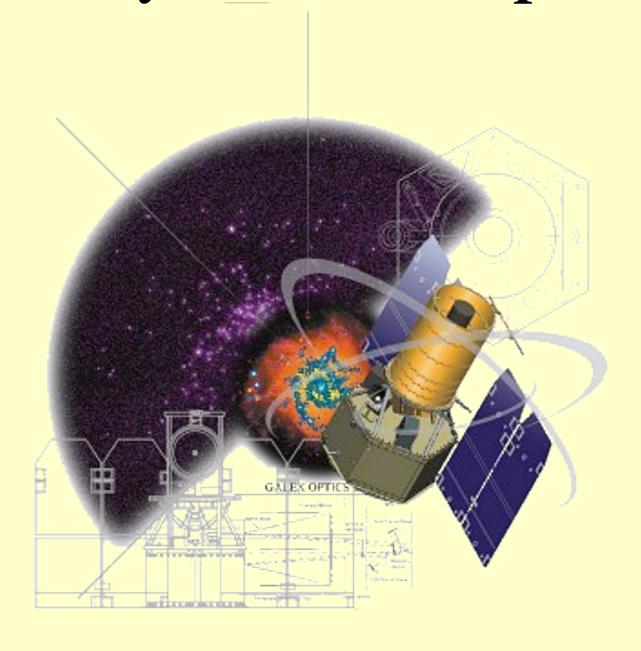
- @ "Add JWST instrument footprints, if possible." [!!!]
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- "Integration with publications (ADS) is really very important for retrieving published data.
- @ "Support Starview which is much better than LAST"
- It would be useful to cross correlate a user's provided catalogue (e.g. AKARI) with the whole content of external catalogues (e.g. 2MASS). I mean no limitations on the search radius."
- "It's working really well for all my needs."



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"GALEX Update'
Myron Smith

Galaxy Evolution Explorer



MAST Team:

- > cmoPat Brown
- Alberto Conti
- Tony Rogers
- > Bernie Shiao
- > Myron Smith
- > Shui-Ay Tseng
- ➤ *A. Volpicelli

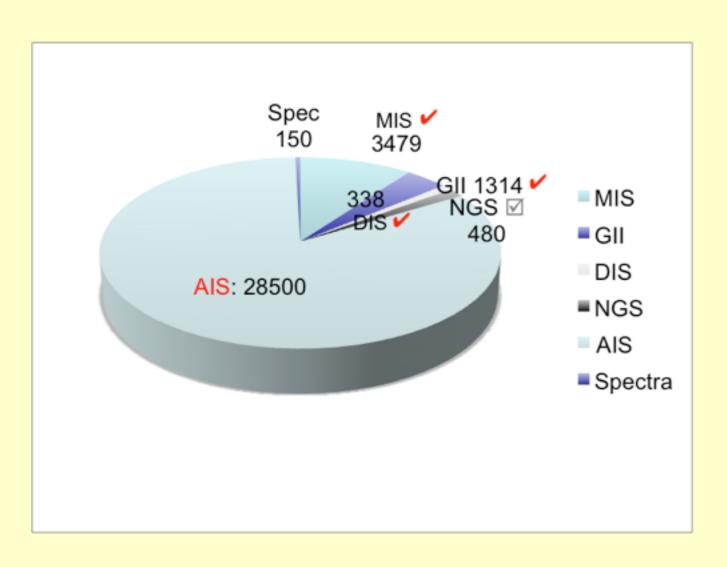


NGC 3242

Recent/Upcoming Milestones:

- 12 monthly ingests of GI program datasets
- Spring/summer: delivery of GR6 imaging (except AIS),
 - serving to public, to date 5231 tiles.
- Late 2010: GR6 will be supplemented by the first NUV/FUV cross-match catalogs, the "GCATT" (AIS, MIS surveys for objects up to 1' in diameter).

GR6 Tile breakdown by Survey



- •First 3 surveys now public
- •NGS in progress (☑)
- •AIS several deliveries
- •Grism spectra this fall
- total volume: 20 TB

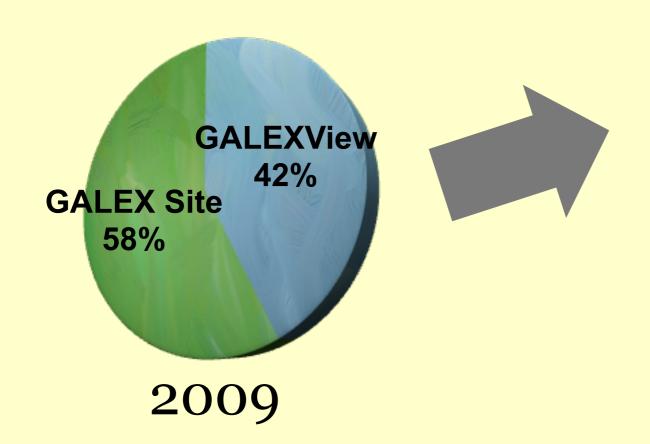
General Annual Usage Statistics (June 09 - May 10)

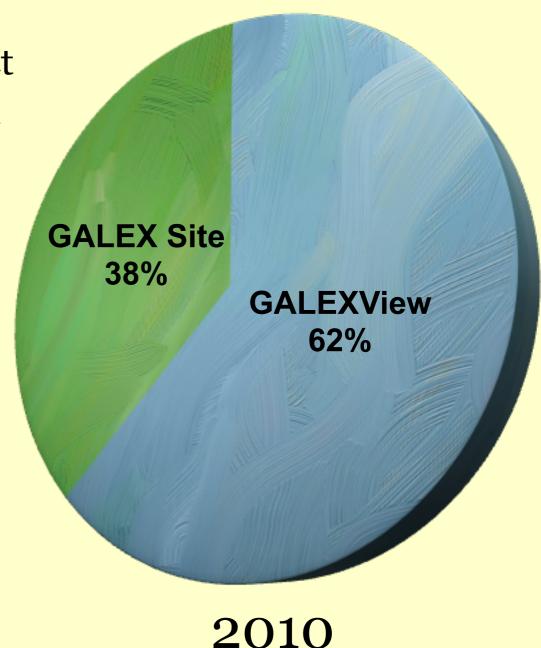
- Users
 - 28.6 (26.7) K visits (non-robotic, non-unique)
 - o averages = 5.7 (5.5) min/visit, 5.4 (5.5) pages/visit
- Data download total
 - 7.6 (15.8) TB (> 1.2 X GR4+GR5 total data volume)

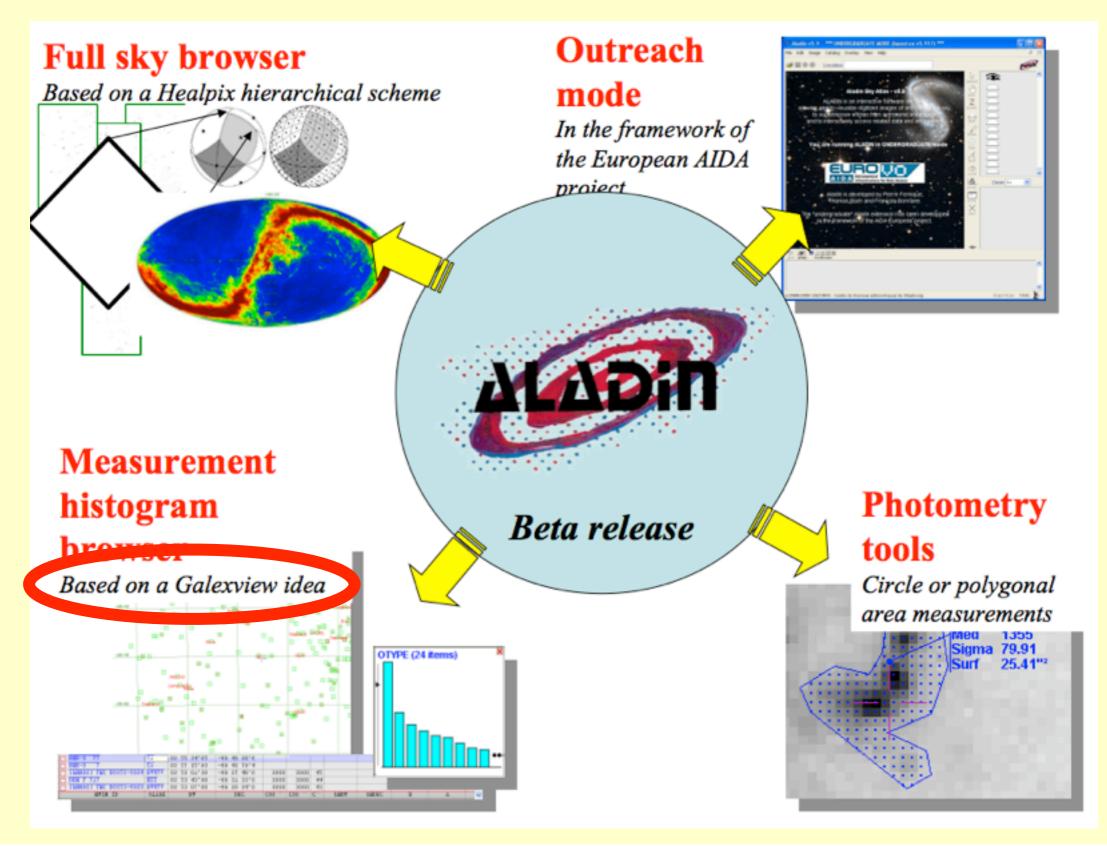
GALEXView

• galexView V1.4 declared a finished product

• new product will be a multimission search tool, integrating the Map and using a new viewer, "Astroview"







Tools and Services:

- Hosting of cross-match catalog: SDSS7 and GALEX GR4/5
 - available on CasJobs
 - o includes tutorial
 - o prototype of other cross matches, e.g. with Kepler

CasJobs facility for Kepler also underway

GALEX Alerts this March and June:

- Failure of Far-UV detector in 05/09: FUVhas been declared "non-operational"!
- GALEX GI Cycle 7 will proceed but NUV only (proposal deadline: 10/29/10)



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"HLA Update"

Rick White

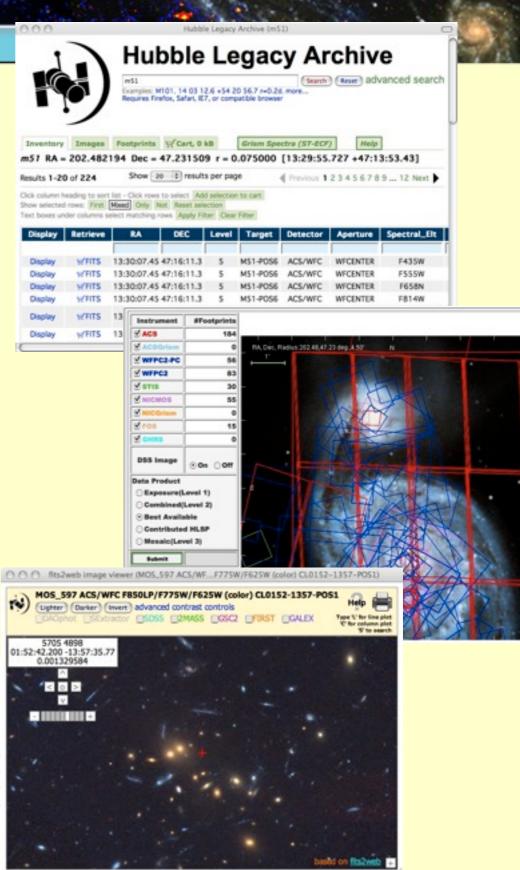
for Stefano Casertano

Hubble Legacy Archive Status & Plans

Rick White MAST Users Group 2010 July 16

http://hla.stsci.edu/hlaview.html





Brief History of the Hubble Legacy Archive

- HLA project was established:
 - to create advanced HST data products (mosaic images, catalogs)
 - to prototype an archive interface using new web technologies
 - to build an interface on VO services (so there is only one set of services to maintain)
- Releases and principal data products:

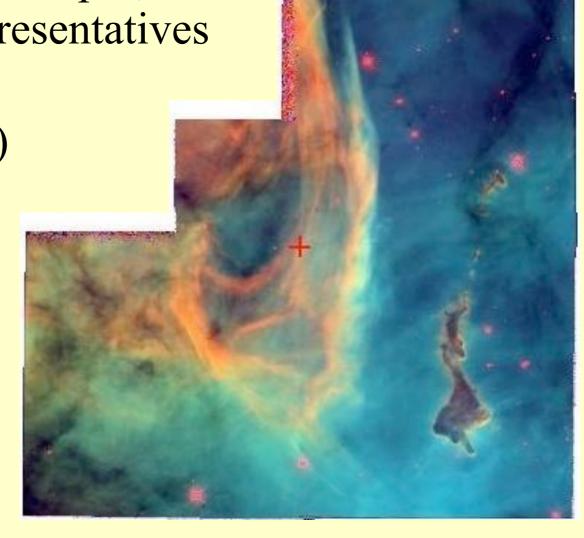
EDR	2007 Aug	25% of ACS ("Level 2" advanced products), sample source lists
DR1	2008 Feb	90% ACS, NICMOS grism, 50% ACS catalogs
DR2	2008 Sep	95% ACS + WFPC2
DR2.5	2008 Dec	Contributed HLSP (e.g., GOODS, UDF, COSMOS)
DR3	2009 May	NICMOS, ACS grism, WFPC2 catalogs, sample ACS mosaics
DR4	2010 Mar	New NICMOS, WFPC2, ACS, HLSP; more ACS mosaics; early WFC3

HLA and MAST

- HLA was initially funded through the HST contract
- HLA funded through MAST contract since October 2008
 - -Additional funding allocated in 2008 Senior Review
- Ultimate goal: Merge HLA and MAST into one unified set of services and interfaces
 - Integrate functionality and lessons-learned from HLA with other MAST missions
 - -Enable all search modes on MAST side for HLA too (e.g., complex searches, CasJobs access)
 - -Active projects: Portal, footprint DB, storage broker

HLA Activities 2009–2010

- Integration with MAST team
- Strong presence at AAS meetings
 - Demo new features, collect user input, and interact with other archive representatives (e.g., Chandra, Spitzer)
- Data Release 4 (March 24, 2010)
- Planning for Data Release 5
 (~ January 2011)



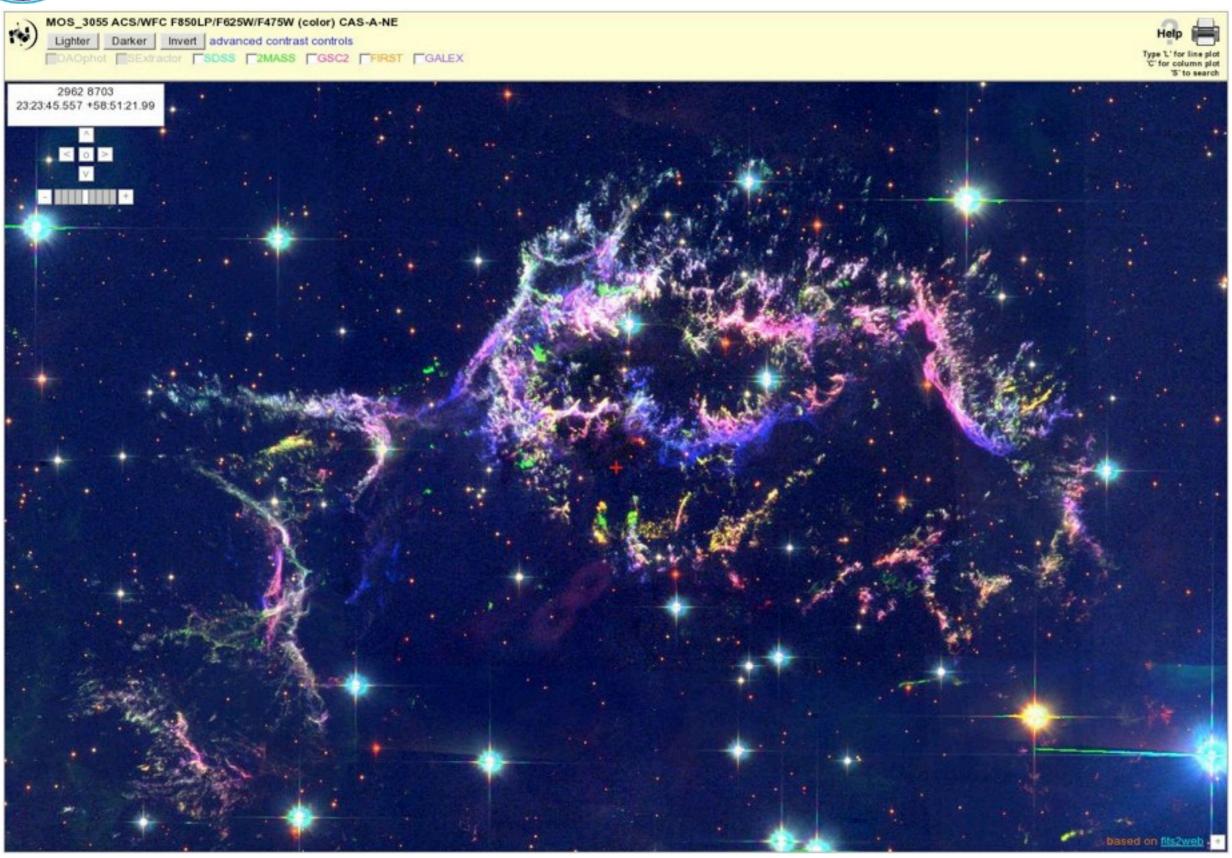
DR4 Data Products

- Reprocessed all NICMOS images
 - -SAAClean issue affects a few percent of data
- Reprocessed WFPC2 images & source lists (to Dec 2010)
- ACS data & source lists complete through Feb 2010
- 210 ACS multi-visit mosaics (deep/wide fields)
- New high-level science products
 - -Including WFC3 early release data
- Final ST-ECF ACS grism spectra release
 - $-\sim 48,000$ spectra released 2010 July 6

http://hla.stsci.edu/hlaview.html

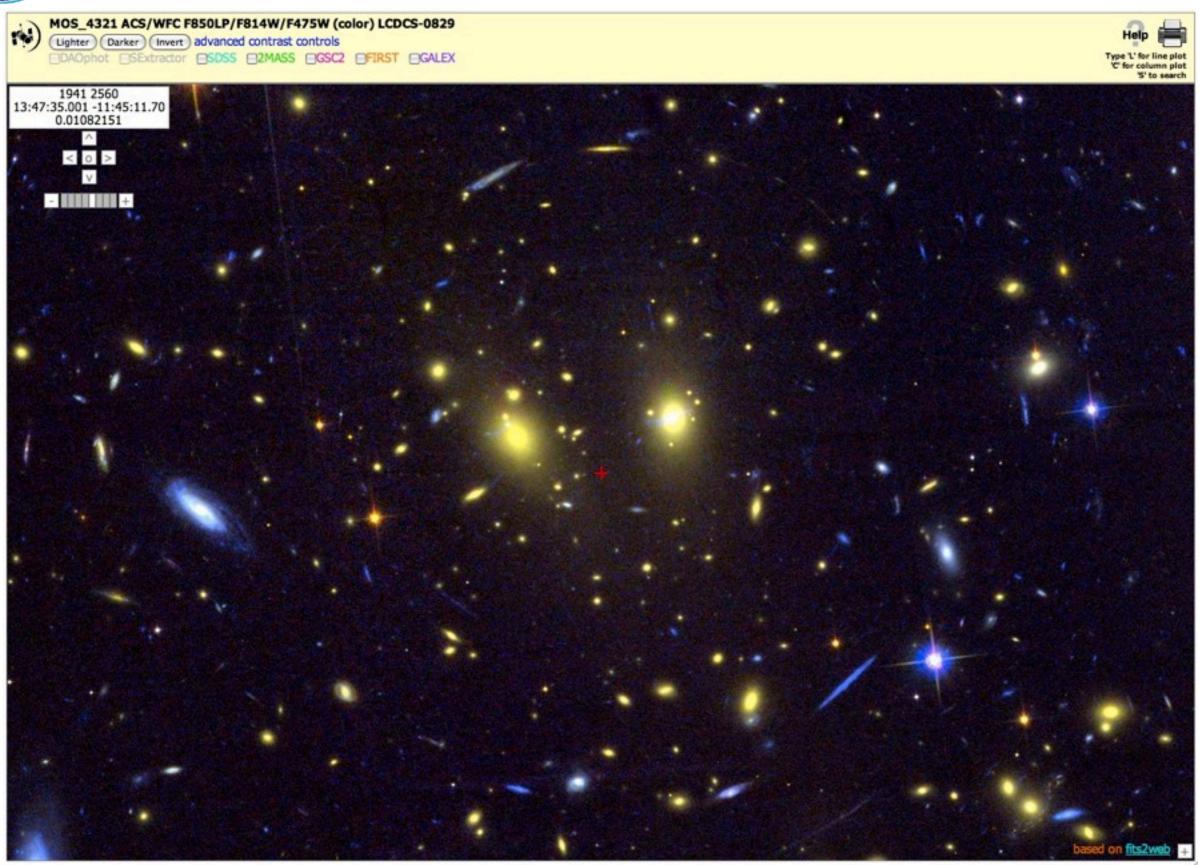


Mosaic: ACS image of the supernova remnant Cas A (F475W, F625W, F850LP)



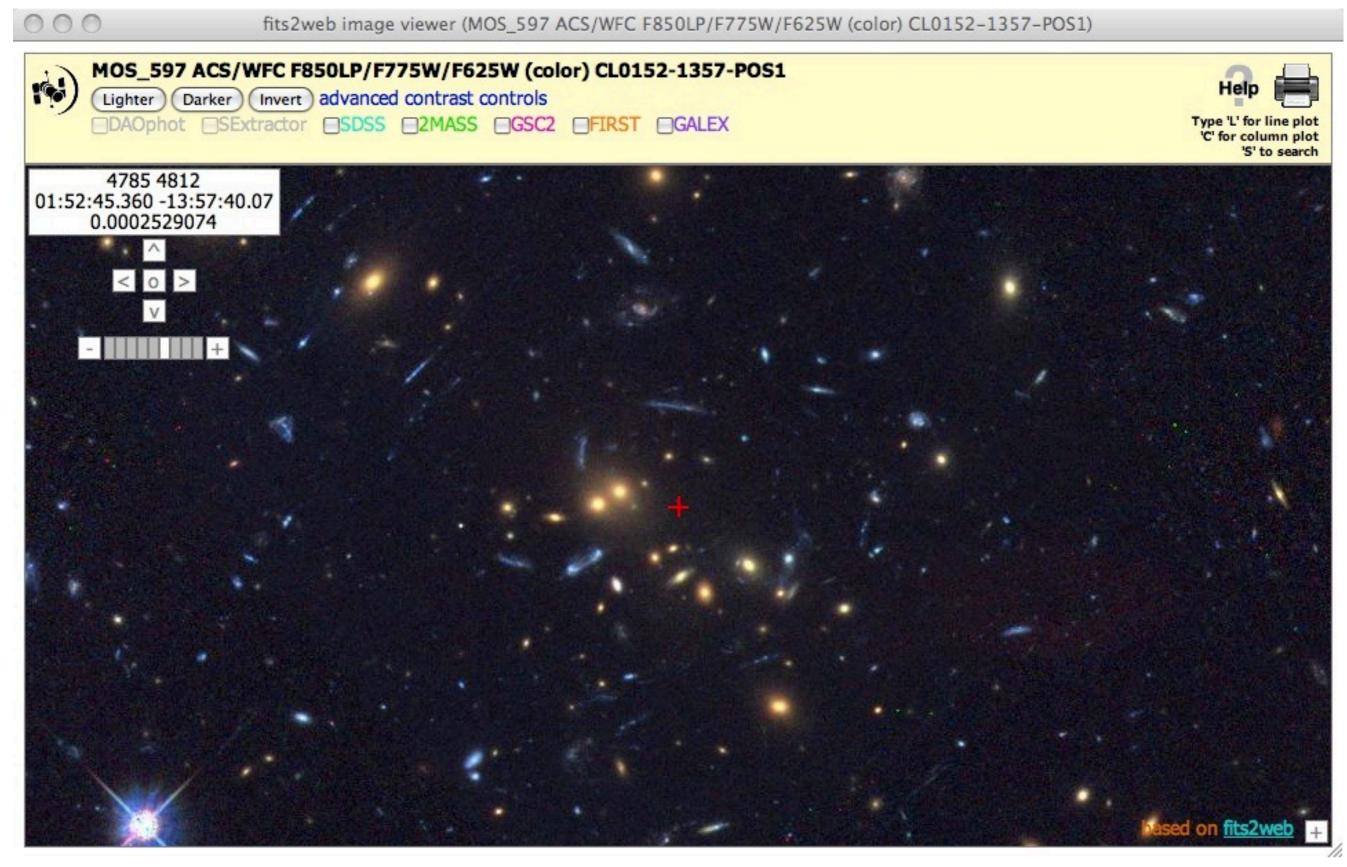


Mosaic: ACS image of the galaxy cluster LCSDS 0829 (F475W, F814W, F850LP)



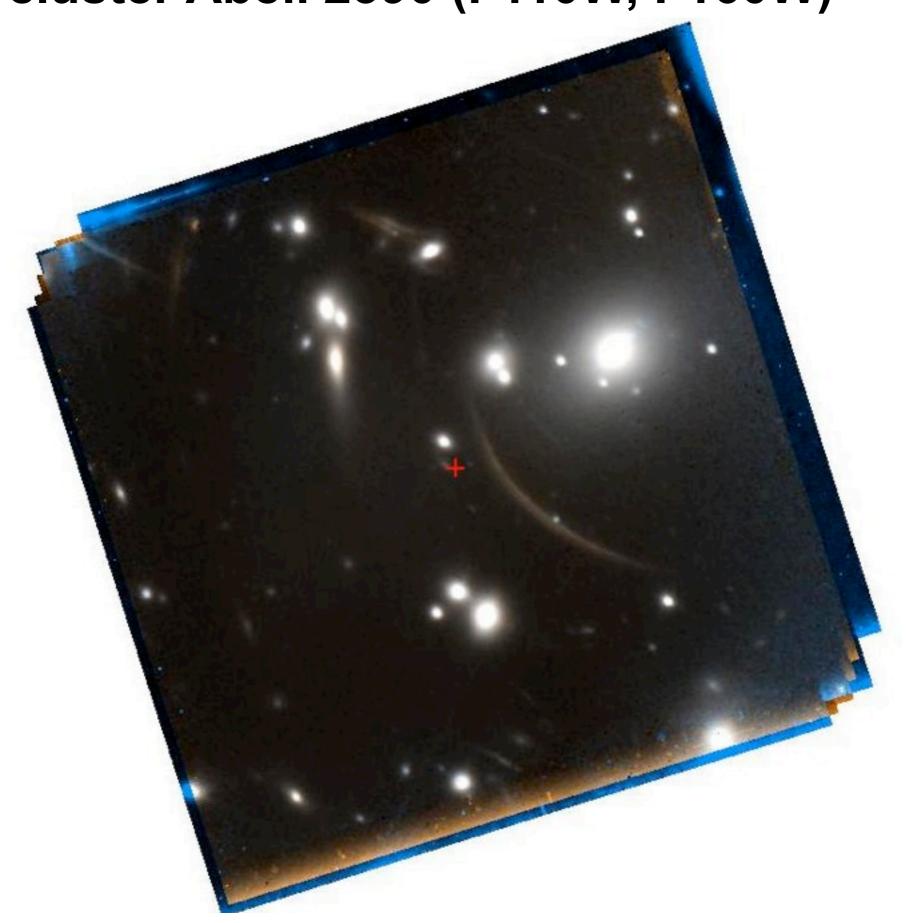


Mosaic: ACS image of the galaxy cluster CL0152-1357 (F625W, F775W, F850LP)



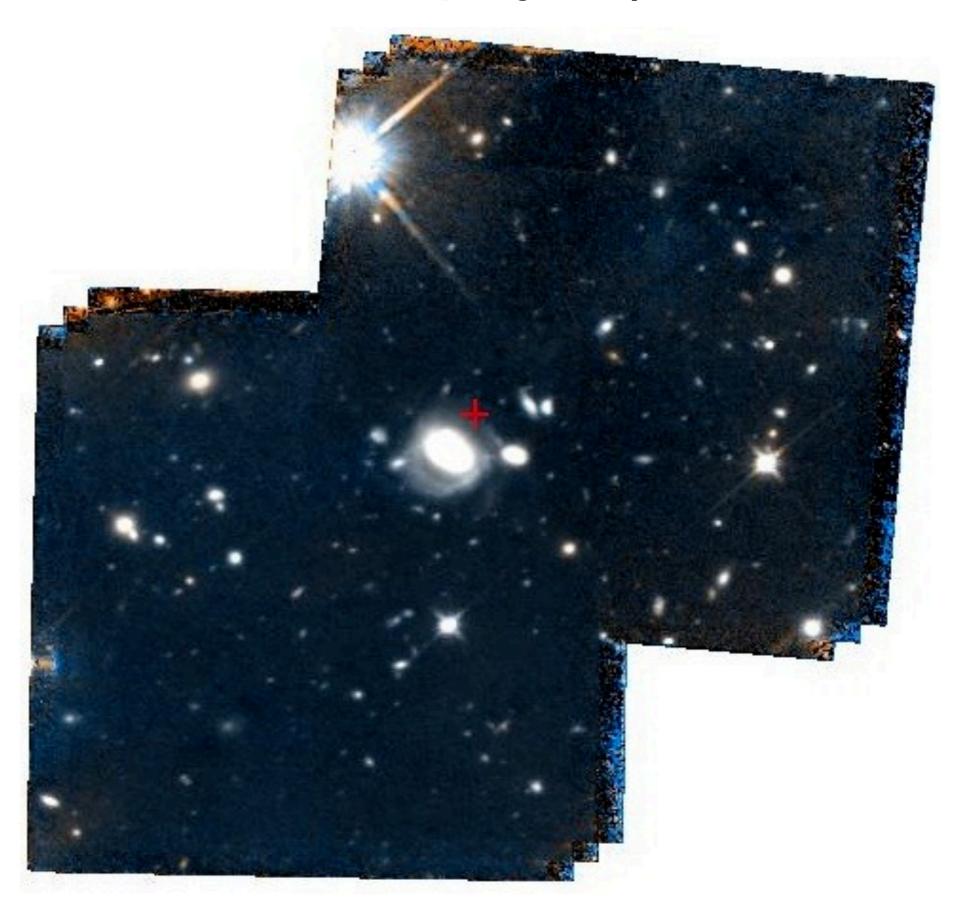


NIC3 observation of a region in the lensing cluster Abell 2390 (F110W, F160W)





HLSP: Very deep NIC3 image near the UDF from GOODSNIC project (F110W, F160W)





ERO: WFC3/UVIS image of PN NGC6302 (F373N, F502N, F673N)

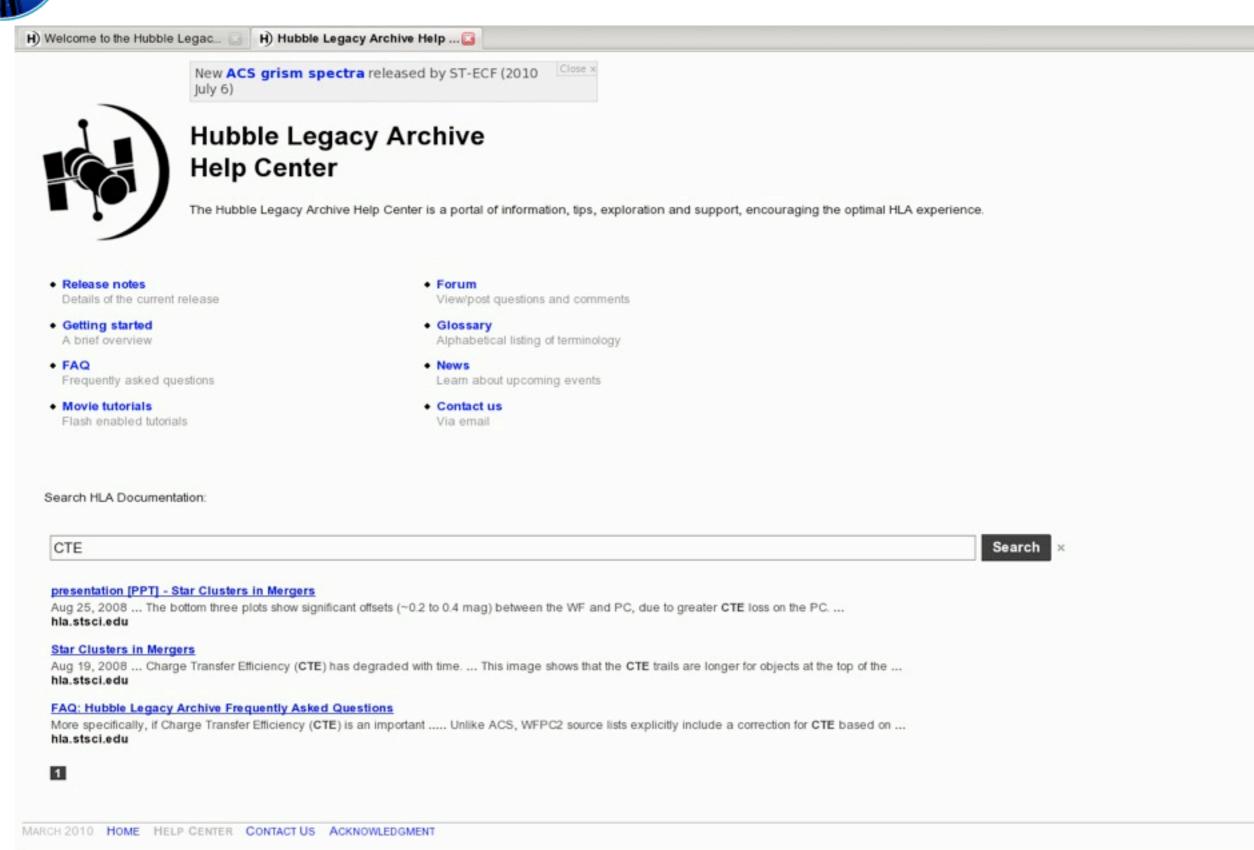


DR4 Interface Enhancement Highlights

- New Help Center with documentation search box
- COS, WFC3 data included in search results and footprints (but no HLA-generated products yet)
 - Proprietary observations also included
- Search box accepts dataset name to search near a given observation
- Custom column selection saved in session status
- Improved plotting tool with zooming and panning
 - GHRS and FOS spectra are directly viewable in the plotting tool
- Interactive display shows pixel value in coordinate box
- **JPEG** images include **WCS** information (compatible with Aladin)



Help Center with documentation search





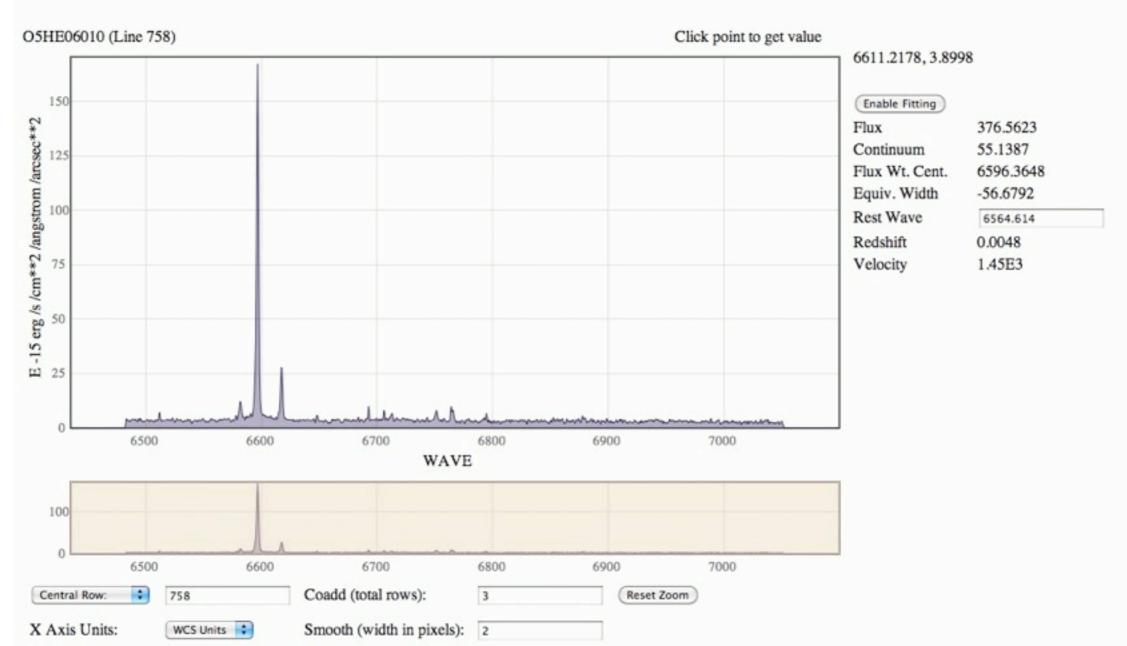
Using the improved Plotting Tool



Hubble Legacy Archive

Image of the Month for June 2010

Antennae Galaxy: Emission Line Spectra from Young Star Clusters



DR4 Infrastructure Changes

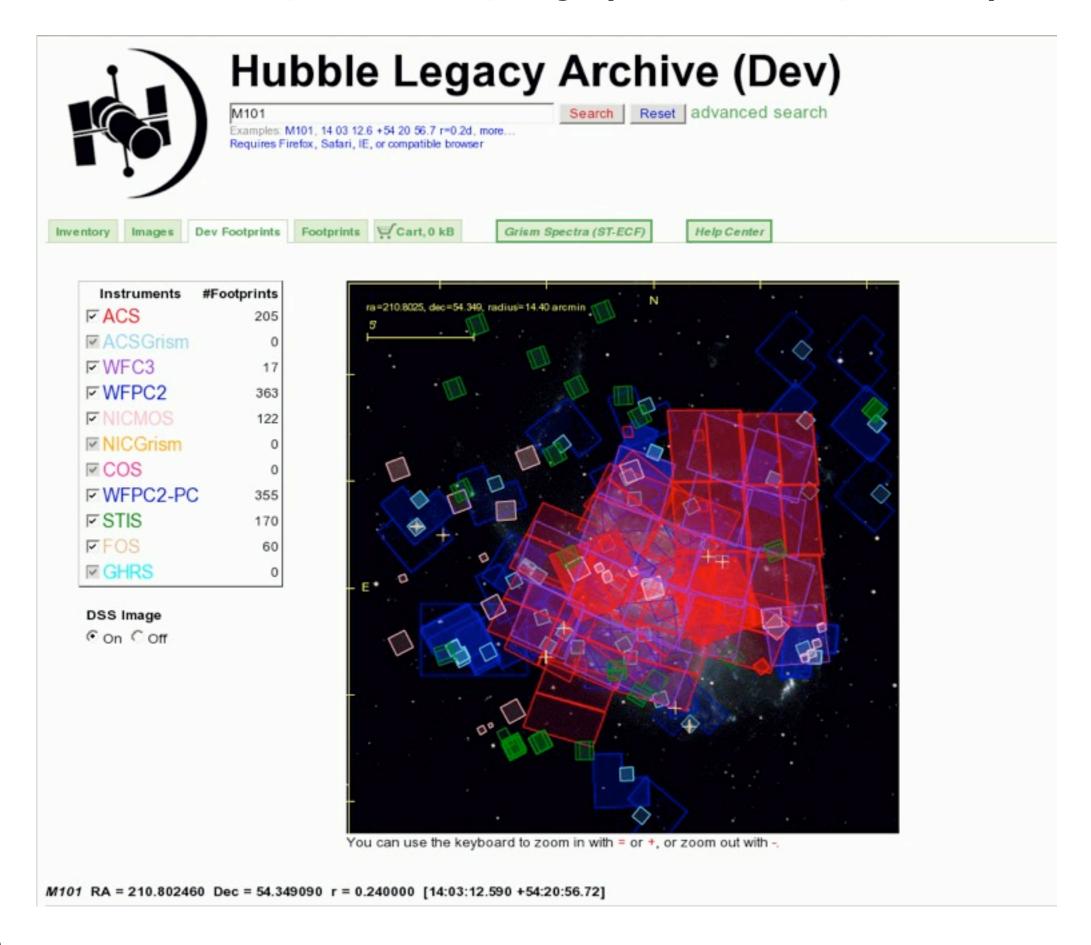
- Automated data processing pipelines
 - Data processing under NHPPS control with advanced messaging
 - Used for ACS & NICMOS image processing, ACS & WFPC2 source lists
- Source lists now exist only as database entries
 - Downloaded catalog files are produced upon demand, and include parameters used to generate lists
 - Leads to better consistency and more flexibility in download formats
- Database servers upgraded
 - Hardware now includes full fail-over capabilities plus separate servers for test and operational databases
- APT support
 - HLA footprint DB supports Astronomer Proposal Tool for Hubble proposal preparation

Future Plans (DR5)

- Complete development of **new footprint interface** based on FLEX
 - Demoed at January and June AAS, preliminary version in test
- Improve ACS mosaic pipeline
 - Relax restrictions on timing, cosmic ray treatment
 - Implement new data format
 - Different multidrizzle extensions, table for info about exposures
 - Improve sky handling (sky equalization, not sky subtraction)
 - Enhance registration algorithm
 - Create mosaic source lists
- Implement WFC3 product pipeline
 - Use new data format and processing from ACS mosaic pipeline
- Move towards an automated, incremental product deployment model
 - Generate & release new products as data become public



New footprint display (in development)



Future Plans (Beyond DR5)

- Extend absolute astrometry improvement to all HST data
 - Typical accuracy 0.1–0.2" (worst-case 0.4")
- Integrate user interface with MAST portal
 - Enable persistent user-specific preferences
 - Facilitate operations that require validation
 - Common look-and-feel for seamless integration across interfaces
- Possible areas for longer-term development:
 - Work with WFC3 team on grism analysis tools
 - Develop source lists and produce uniform metadata for HLSP
 - Continue work with Chandra, Spitzer to integrate footprint data
 - Evaluate new software tools for enhanced interface (Tony's AstroView)
 - Incorporate new ST-ECF "one-box" approach for advanced searches: http://archive.eso.org/archive/hst/search/



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"Kepler Update"

Dorothy Fraguelli &

Myron Smith

- MAST provides the archive user interface for Kepler data, primarily light curves, but also Full Frame Images (FFIs) and, eventually, target pixel data.
- ASB Staffing for Kepler
 - Shui-Ay Tseng
 - Randy Thompson
 - Myron Smith

MAST/Kepler as of 2009 MUG

- Standard MAST search interface for KIC and modified KIC
 - > For use in proposal preparation to locate targets
- Standard MAST search interface for data in prep
 - > password protected version existed
 - > of limited use as no data in the archive

MAST/Kepler as of 2010 MUG

Too many for one slide

Alternative Retrieval Method for Public Kepler Lightcurves

Kepler Dropped Target List

The list below describes the latest set of targets made public by the Kepler project

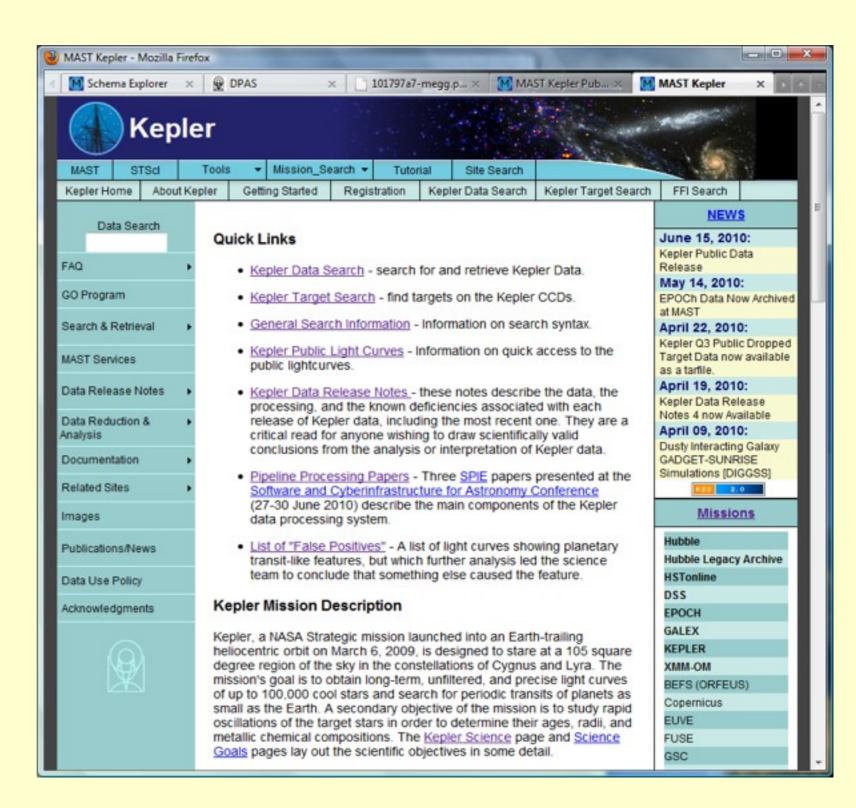
Data Release Notes

and more

Quick Links

Pointers to items of main interest to archive users, prominently displayed on the Kepler home page

Links include interfaces, documentation and help



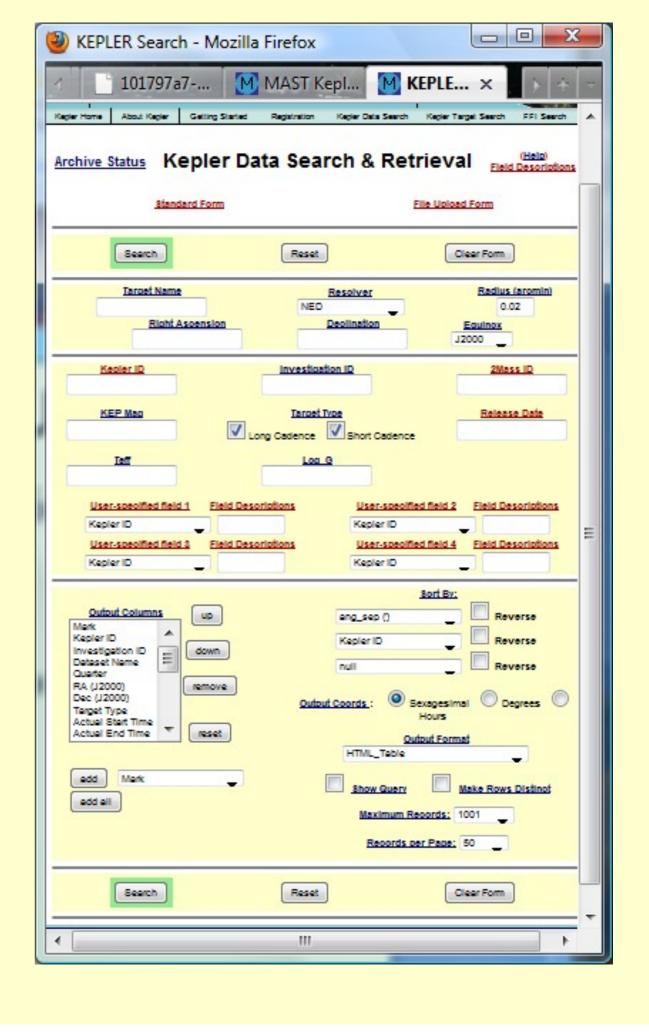
Data Search Interface

Standard MAST search form, with usual form elements.

Help is obtained by clicking on links, either for the fields, or general links in the upper right of the form (standard).

Users may add up to 4 additional search fields, and many output columns.

Output may be HTML, VOTable, cvs, excel spreadsheet (standard).

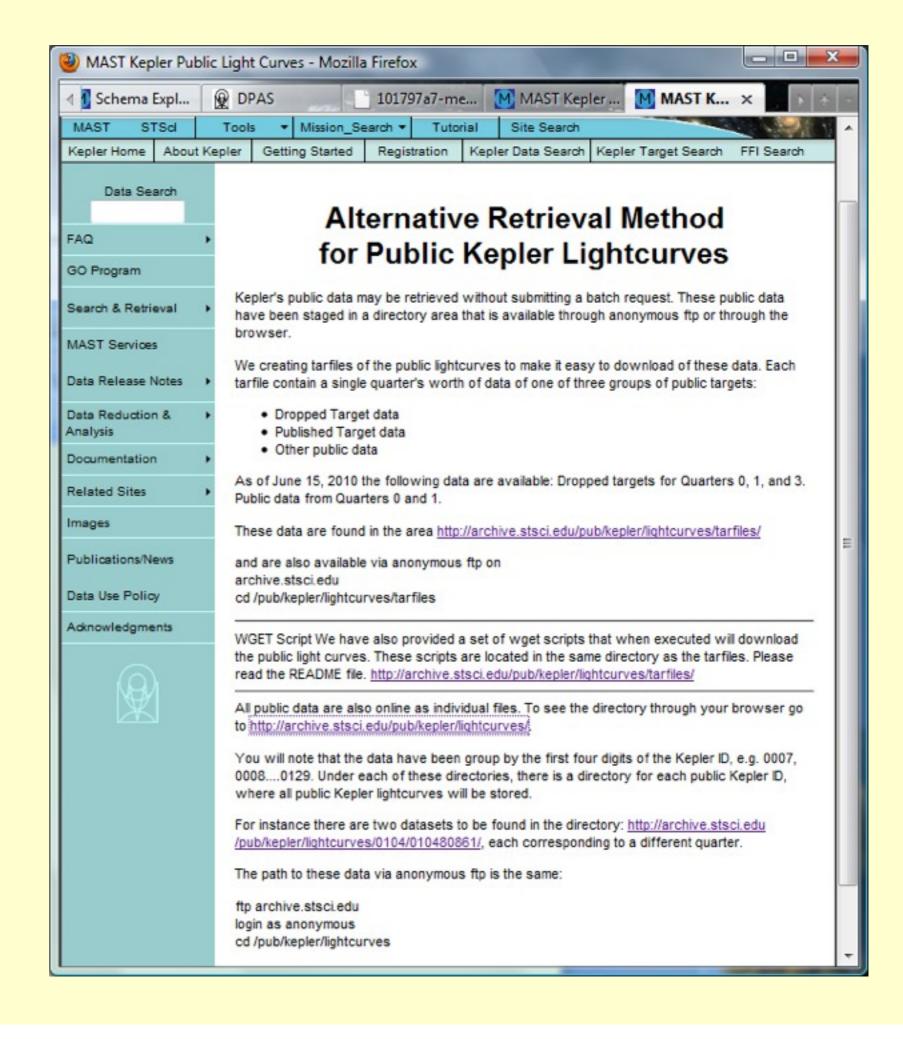


Searchless Retrieval

For public data, ftp download is provided.

Light curves grouped by kepler_id and quarter.

Wget script is provided.

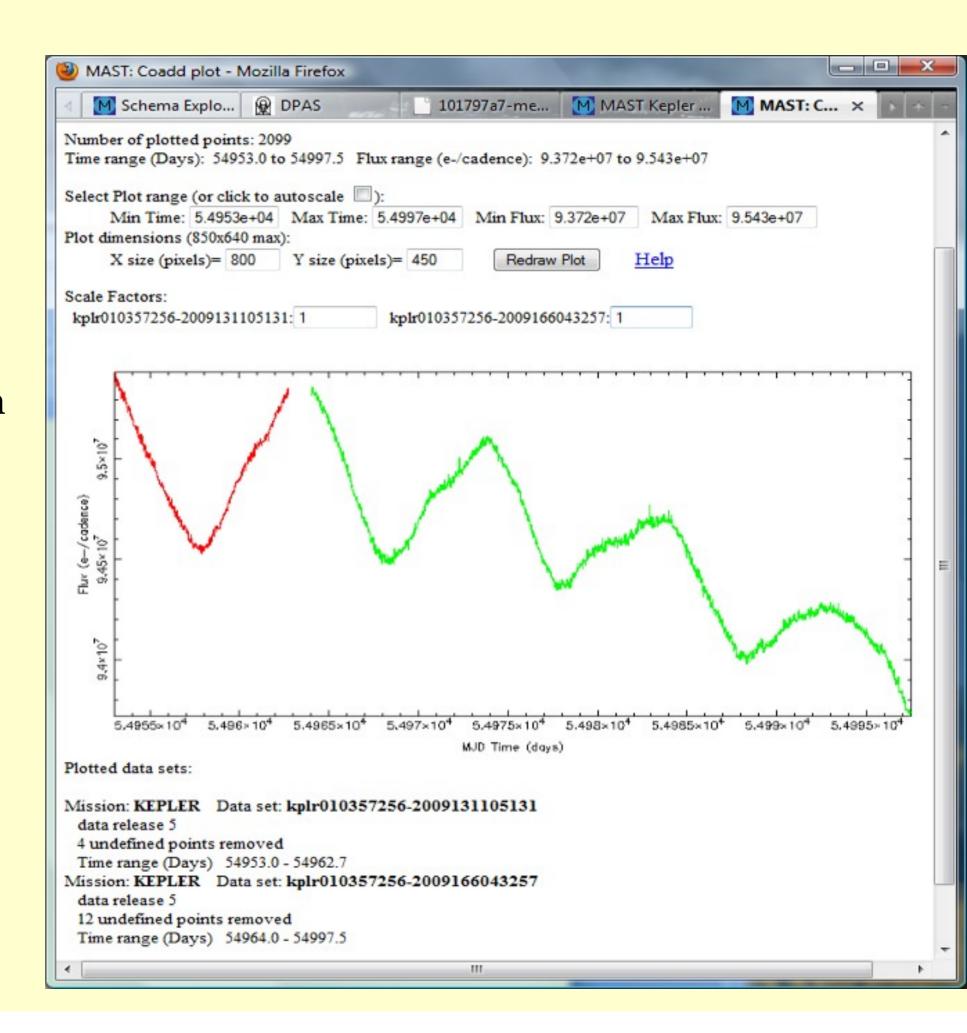


Light Curve Display

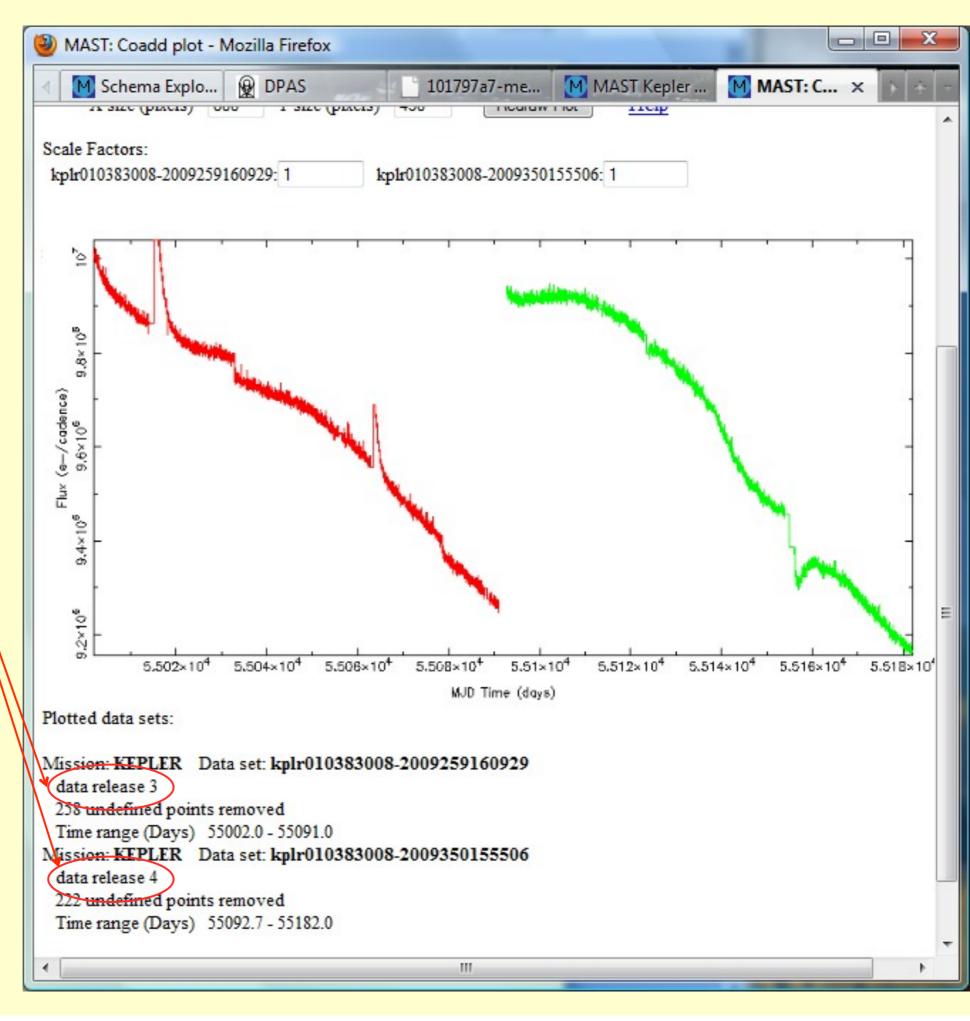
For public data only

Multiple quarters can be displayed on the same plot.

User may modify axes and scale to zoom.



Display of data from different releases (i.e. s/w processing versions may not yield a good join between quarters.



No Search Download of Proprietary Data

MAST supports ftp area for download of all data by investigation id. Access restricted to PI/GOs and their designated Co-Is.

A README file is provided.

```
ftp> cd /pub/kepler/tarfiles
250 CWD command successful.
ftp> dir
200 PORT: Command successful
150 Opening ASCII mode data connection for file list
drwxrwsr-x 2 3068 400
                            4096 Jun 22 13:39 EX
drwxrwsr-x 2 3068
                            4096 May 20 16:47 GO10000
                    400
drwxrwsr-x 2 3068
                            4096 Apr 15 17:01 GO10015
                    400
 <SNIP>
                            3610 May 21 14:12 README
 -rw-rw---- 1 3068
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drwxrwsr-x 2 3068
                            4096 May 20 16:46 STC
                   400
drwxrwsr-x 2 3068
                            4096 Jun 9 09:17 STKL
                    400
drwxrwsr-x 2 3068
                            4096 Jun 9 09:17 STKS
                    400
```

Within each directory, data are grouped by quarter.

When a target is shared between 2 investigations, the data appear in a separate tarfile.

Here is a partial listing for the planetary search investigation.

```
-rw-r---- 1 3068
                        765814 May 14 15:54 EX_GO10009_Q3.tgz
                 400
                        6386514 May 13 11:43 EX_GO10011_Q3.tgz
-rw-r--- 1 3068
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                       40517304 May 13 11:44 EX_GO10012_Q3.tgz
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                       1354031785 Jun 8 10:12 EX_Qo.tgz
-rw-r--- 1 3068
                400
                       12276814236 Jun 8 10:41 EX_Q1.tgz
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                       5831825 May 13 12:37 EX_STC_Q3.tgz
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Full Frame Image

Users may locate and download FFIs through standard MAST search page, via a file download page or through the FFI display.

Myron will talk about these interfaces later.

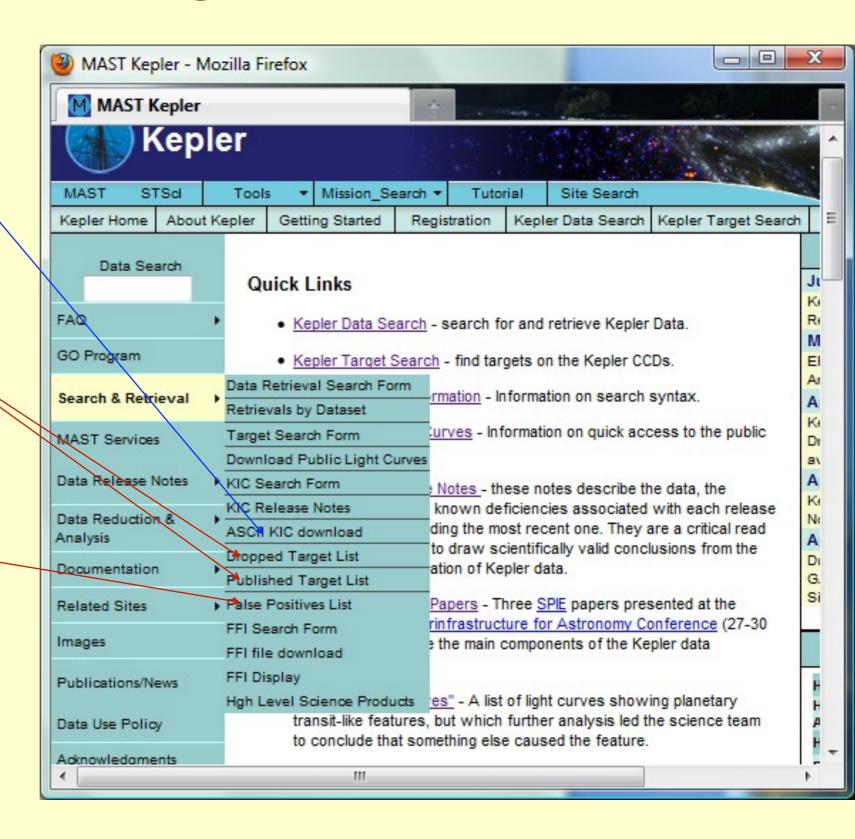
Lists of Kepler Targets

ASCII KIC available.

MAST posts dropped and published target lists on the Search and Retrieval menu.

The false positives list is on the same menu and in the Quick Links.

Coming soon: fold these lists into the search results.

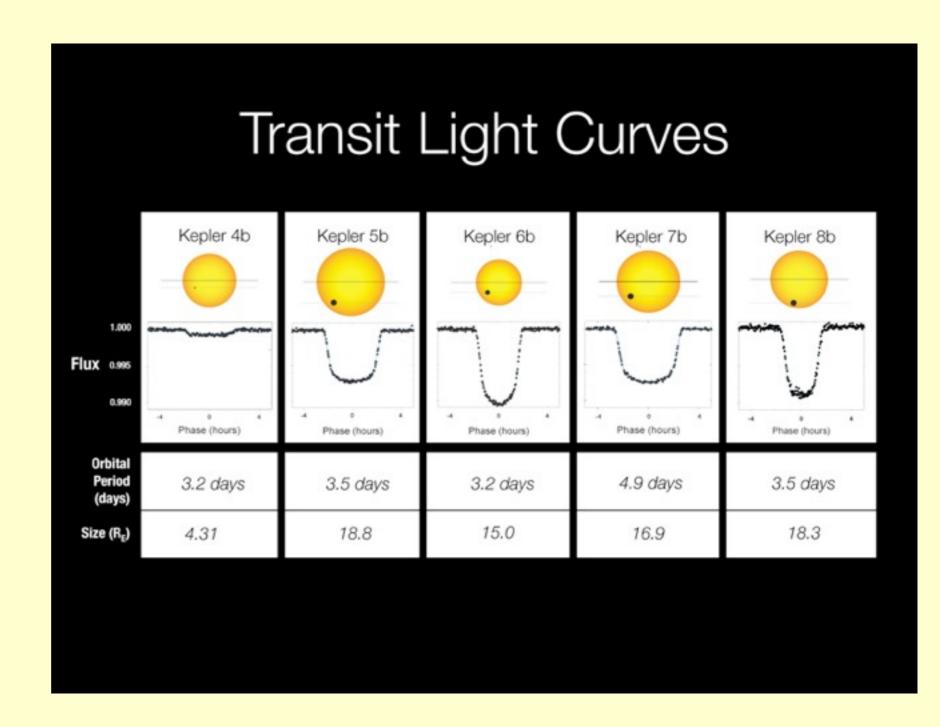


High Level Science Products

Papers from the Jan 2010 AAS meeting

Includes Kepler and ground based data, quick look plot of Kepler data

Download by clicking or via ftp.

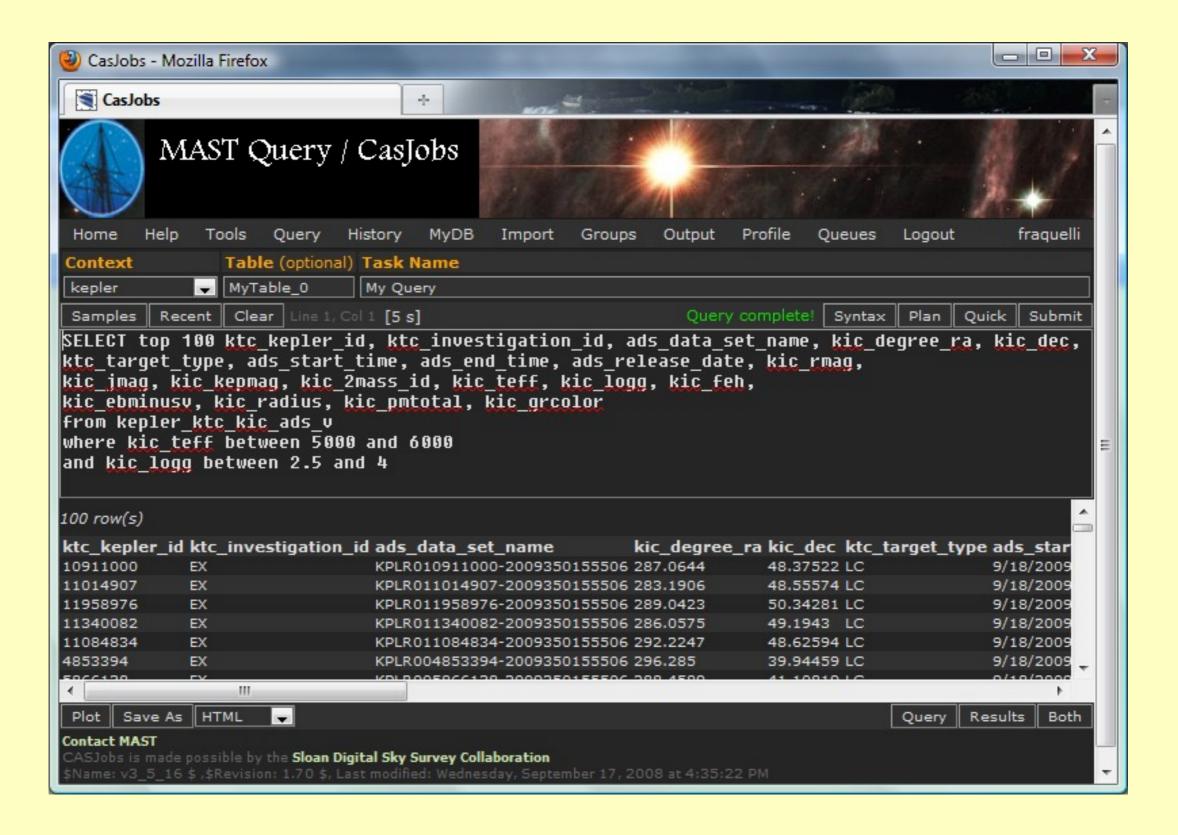


VO Services

The following Virtual Observatory (VO) services have been registered. Each service returns all the default table columns, which includes the position.

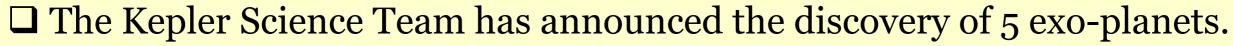
- ☐ KIC queries the MAST-version of the KIC
- □ KIC_CT queries the KIC joined with the Characteristics table which comprises our Kepler Target Search interface (i.e., it queries only those targets known to be on (or very near) the Kepler field of view
- □ KTC queries our KTC_KIC_ADS view which is the basis for our data search interface
- ☐ Exoplanets queries our HLSP table for the 5 Kepler exoplanets

For the Future

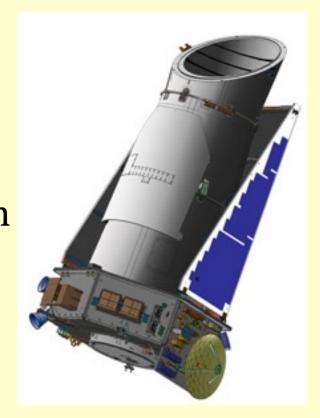


General Background

- ☐ The Kepler Key Project is discovery and characterization of Earth-like planets around solar-type stars. The product is light curves.
- ☐ Kepler is in an Earth-trailing orbit, continuously monitors the same area of the sky,
- \square Access to *data in* the Kepler archive is through MAST.



☐ Much of the planetary search data from Quarters o and 1 became public on June 15, 2010.





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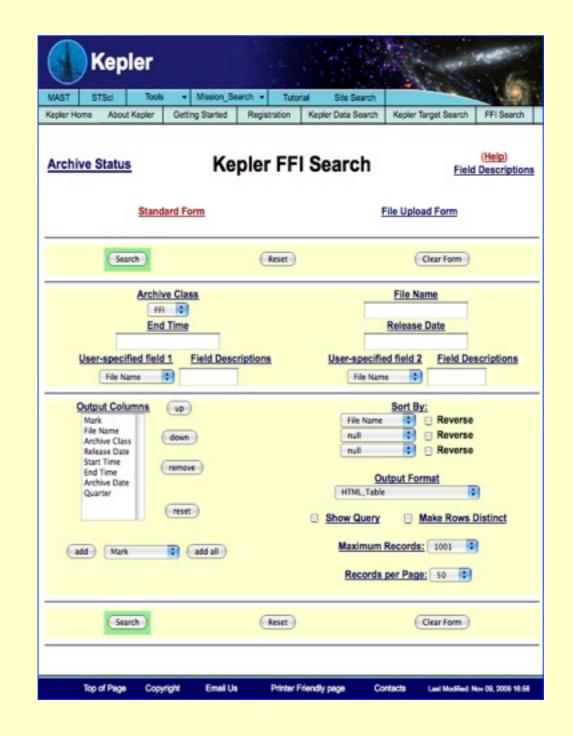
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Download from Full Frame Image form:

Typically a few are observed monthly:

- •Once ingested, files are public
- Included are:
 - no meaningful WCS coordinates
 - (no rotation: except the Golden 8 FFIs)
- calibration methods may change with new deliveries

(Another option is to download by clicking entries in an index table.)



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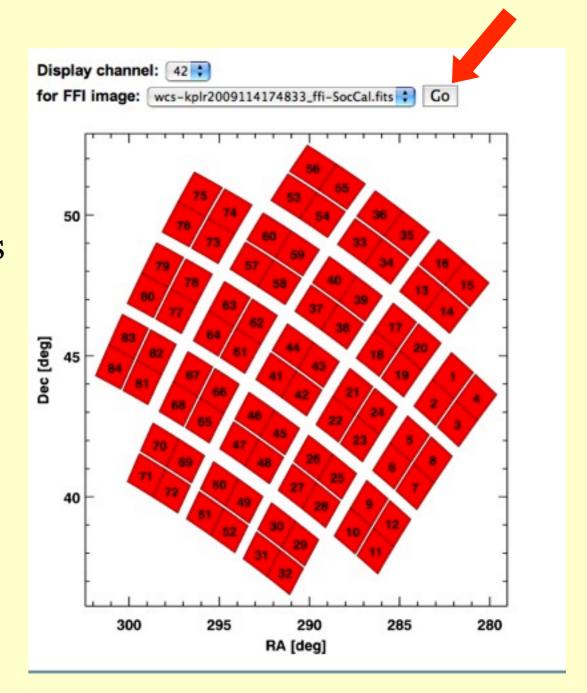
FFI Display Tool

(Golden 8; courtesy of Rick, astrometry.net)

• The idea is to visualize all KIC objects in the Kepler field according to the detector channel.

And:

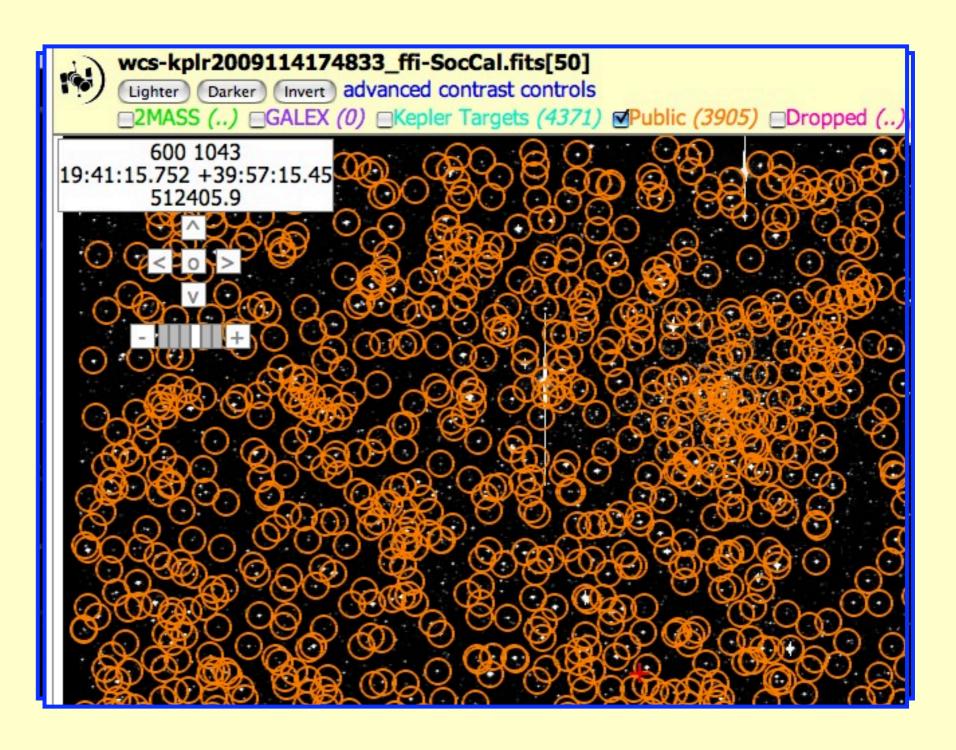
•To cross match with objects in other surveys and Kepler public categories (more below)



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A sample field (NGC 6819 panned zoomed)

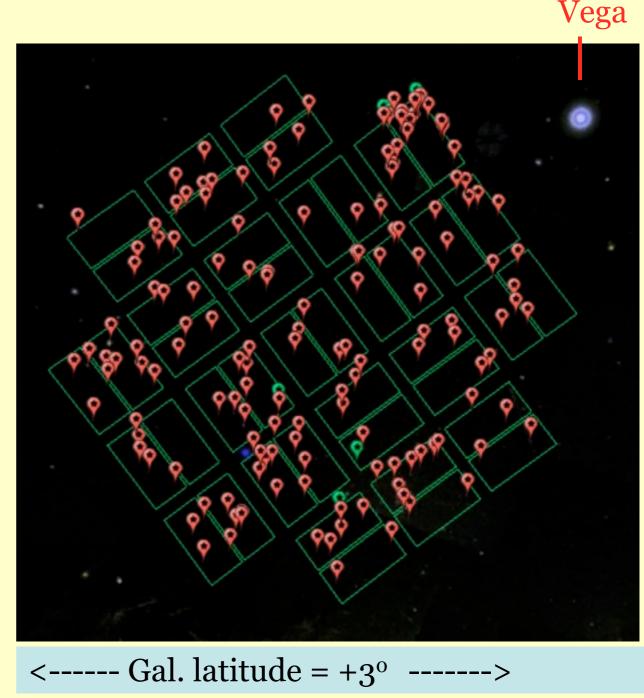
with cross-matches to public objects



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Our Summer project will be:

- Cross match GALEX/GR6, DSS2MASS objects in Kepler FOV
- •Some 68 tiles (70 sq. deg.); rare overlap near Galactic plane for recent satellite surveys
- •UV colors will provide T_{eff} discrimination for hot stars and other stars near Galactic equator
- •Do this in time for GO Cycle 3!



(Each flag is a GALEX tile, radius = 0.6°.)



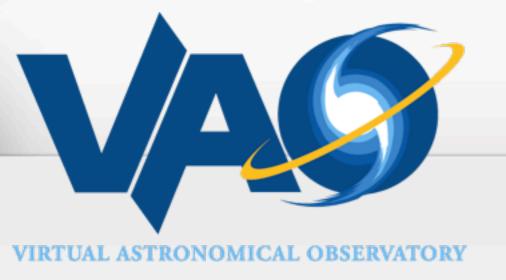
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"VAO"

Maria Nieto-Santisteban for Bob Hanisch



The Virtual Astronomical Observatory: Status and Plans

Maria Nieto-Santisteban, User Support Deputy on behalf of

Robert Hanisch, Director

Space Telescope Science Institute











VAO Goals

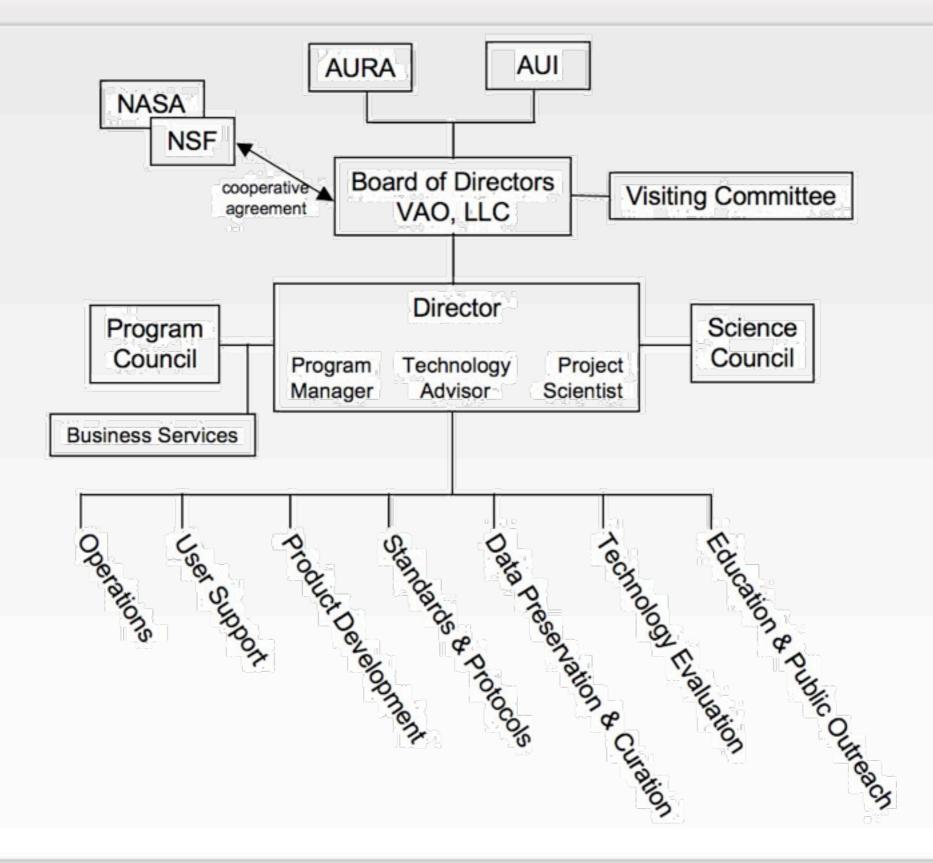
- The VAO is an operational facility whose services will enable astronomers to discover, access, integrate and analyze the vast quantities of astronomy data available electronically:
 - Develop robust services, built to meet community needs and developed according to industry standards, backed by responsive user support and training and professional outreach programs
 - -Provide leadership in international cooperative efforts, coordinated by the IVOA to standardize data access and discovery protocols
 - Develop innovative EPO programs that convey to educators and students the science content of the range of data accessible through the VAO

NVO → VAO

- NVO development project funded by NSF 5+2 years (\$14M) [in-kind support from NASA data centers]
- NSF & NASA co-funding VAO—the operational NVO
 - RFP issued Jan 2008, proposal submitted Apr 2008
 - NSF/NASA informed AUI/AURA of intent to fund VAO in Feb 2009
 - \$27.5M over five years (75% NSF, 25% NASA), ~25 FTE/yr
 - NASA released funds in September 2009
 - NSF awarded funds on 11 May 2010, for 15 May 2010-30 April 2015
- VAO managed by VAO,LLC (AUI and AURA are partners)
 - Collaboration includes Caltech, IPAC, IRSA/NED, NOAO, NCSA, NRAO, STScI, JHU, GSFC/HEASARC, SAO
 - IPAC, HEASARC, and ~25% of STScI effort funded directly by NASA
 - VAO, LLC Board has governance oversight
 - Science Council provides guidance: science priorities, maximizing take-up, seeing science results directly enabled by VAO



VAO organization





VAO management

VAO, LLC Board

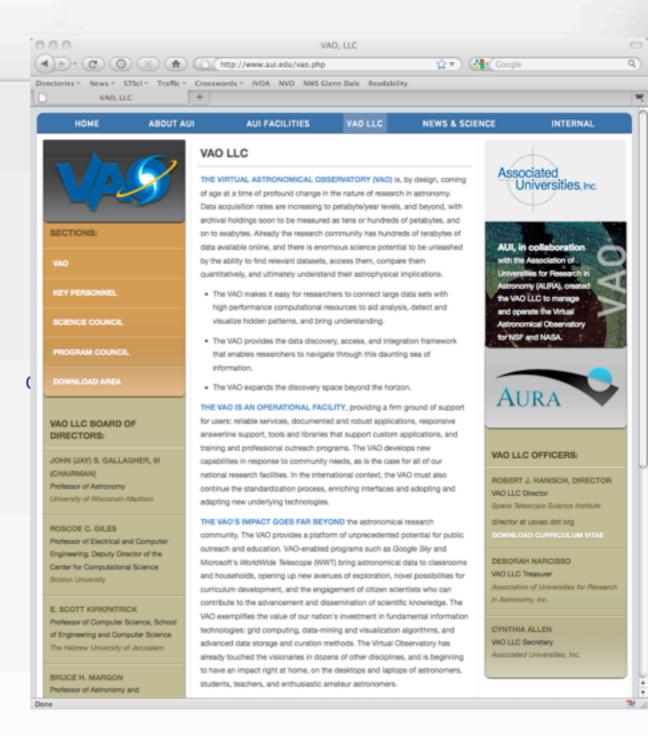
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- Ethan Schreier, ex officio, AUI President
- Bill Smith, ex officio, AURA President
- Caty Pilachowski, Indiana University
- Bruce Margon, UC Santa Cruz
- Roscoe Giles, Boston University
- Scott Kirkpatrick, Hebrew University Jerusalem

VAO, LLC officers

- Robert Hanisch, STScI, Director
- Deborah Narcisso, AURA, Treasurer
- Cynthia Allen, AUI, Secretary

Management team

- Bruce Berriman, IPAC, Program Manager
- Alex Szalay, JHU, Technology Adviser
- Dave De Young, NOAO, Project Scientist
- Pepi Fabbiano, SAO, Chair of Science Council
- TBD, AUI, Business Manager



http://www.aui.edu/vao.php

VAO Science Council

- Peppi Fabiano (Chair), Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory
- Daniela Calzetti, University of Massachusetts at Amherst
- Christopher L. Carilli, National Radio Astronomy Observatory
- Paul Eskridge, Minnesota State University
- Eric D. Feigelson, Pennsylvania State University
- Željko Ivezić, University of Washington
- Sara Seager, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- Alicia Soderberg, Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics
- Travis Rector, University of Alaska Anchorage

VAO Team Consultants to the Science Council

- George Djorgovski, California Institute of Technology
- Alyssa Goodman, Harvard University
- Barry Madore, The Carnegie Observatories, Pasadena
- Marc Postman, Space Telescope Science Institute

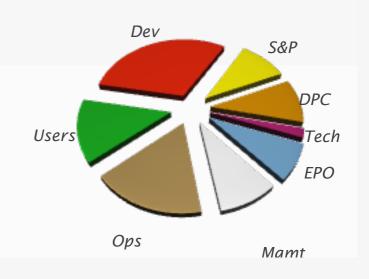




VAO Scope and Functions

- Proposed seven major areas of activity
 - -Operations: Tom McGlynn, HEASARC, Ani Thakar, JHU
 - -User Support: Betty Stobie, NOAO, Maria Nieto-Santisteban, STScI
 - -Product Development: Ray Plante, NCSA, Gretchen Greene, STScI
 - -Standards and Protocols: Roy Williams, Caltech, Doug Tody, **NRAO**
 - -Data Preservation and Curation: Arnold Rots, SAO, Joe Mazzarella, NED
 - -Technology Evaluation: Matthew Caltech
 - -Education and Public Outreach: Stratis Kakadelis (acting), Bonnie Eisenhamer (acting), STScI
- Plus management

Graham,





Operations

- ~17% of overall effort
- Facility support
 - Problem report ticket system
 - Web browser compatibility, multiplatform support
 - Usage logging
 - Software configuration management
 - Hardware support (preservation facility)
- System Integration
- Monitoring
 - Adherence to standards
 - Metadata quality evaluation, correction
 - Work with service providers to repair and revise
 - Provide status to users and technical team



User Support

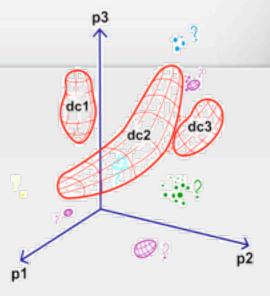
- ~14% of overall effort
- Testing & Readiness reviews
 - Acceptance Tests
 - Documentation
 - External feedback
 - Make release recommendations
- Training and advocacy
 - Summer schools
 - Professional outreach events (AAS, conferences, ..)
 - VAO newsletters
 - User forum
- Web site portal
 - Designs, implements, and maintains the VAO web site
- Help Desk
 - Responds and follow up to user's requests



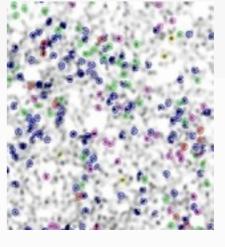


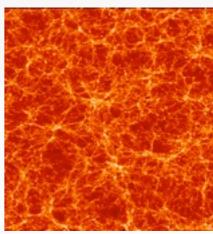
Product Development

- ~31% of overall effort
- Science applications and products
 - Support and enhance existing applications
 - Integrate VO access into existing desktop applications
 - Cross-correlation
 - Spectral energy distributions
 - Data-mining
 - Visualization
 - Theoretical models and simulations
 - Master catalogs
- Service toolkits/templates
- Infrastructure
- Registry/Directory
- Robust software development process













Standards and Protocols

- ~10% of overall effort
- International standards process with IVOA
 - Protocols, service definitions
 - Data models
 - Registry
 - Semantics
 - Application frameworks, work flows, grid computing
 - Prototyping

SCS, SIAP, SSAP, TAP, SLAP, SAMP, STC, UCD, UType, Identifiers, SSO, UWS, ADQL, SDM, SLDM, VOTable, VOResource, VODataService VOEvent, Vocabularies





Data Preservation and Curation

- ~10% of overall effort
- Repository for community-produced high-level data products
 - Images, spectra, time series, etc., published in journals
 - Data collections that are currently privately hosted
 - Collaboration with NSF OCI DataNet program, JHU-led Data Conservancy team
- Cross-repository linking
 - Papers and bibliographic records, archives, repository
- Curation standards (in collaboration with Standards and Process) activity)





Technology Evaluation

- ~2% of overall effort
- Monitor new technologies relevant to VO infrastructure
- Select promising technologies for evaluation; install and test
- Make recommendations to Product Development for adoption
- Assist User Support team and end-users in scaling-up applications





Education & Public Outreach

- ~8% of overall effort
- Train education and outreach specialists in use of, and capabilities of, VAO
 - EPO developer workshops
 - Establish partnerships with leaders in the EPO community
- Continue and strengthen relationship with Microsoft WWT and GoogleSky
- Build EPO-focused website
- Assist in creation of EPO-friendly data products





- ~9% of overall effort
- Director, program manager, project scientist, business manager, chair of Science Council
- Costs for Board, Science Council, and Program Council meetings
- Costs associated with the VAO, LLC (banking, legal, audit, tax filing, insurance, office space, etc.)





- NVO was mainly about figuring out how to do data discovery and data delivery with distributed data centers.
- VAO is about how to use those capabilities to do forefront research in astronomy.



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"Changes in the 4/ST Archive Operations Mark Kyprianou & John Scott

The Future of OPUS: FOO



OPUS: Why do anything?

- OPUS is currently processing HST and Kepler data
 - Both missions are running on Solaris/ Sybase
 - The GUIs are on Windows
 - One GUI is also available on the Mac
 - Heavy processing done on Sun HW
- OPUS "gets the job done"
 - Sort of...
 - Is it good enough for the future?



OPUS: Scope Definition

- Pipeline infrastructure
 - Blackboard servers
 - GUI to manage pipeline
- o It does not include
 - Mission specific data processing
 - OTFR
 - Archive ingest or catalog population
 - Engineering data processing
 - i.e. applications that run in the pipeline system



OPUS: Current Status

- No significant maintenance prior to SM4 cancelation
 - ~140 PRs, about ½ concerning the GUIs
 - Remainder are pipeline infrastructure issues
 - Lost expertise in key areas of the pipeline communications infrastructure
 - Technologies (Corba/C++) used in OPUS are not attractive to most developers



OPUS: The Future

- DMS is defining JWST requirements, SRR: Fall, 2010.
- HST data processing is moving to Linux/MS SQL Server: Winter 2011
- HST will begin to generate high-level products mid-2010



OPUS: What should be done?

- Use existing OPUS for HST end-of-life?
- How about JWST?
- Should alternatives be considered?
- Port OPUS to new pipeline infrastructure?



OPUS: What should be done?

- Do a study to evaluate available pipeline systems
 - OPUS
 - NHPPS NOAO High Performance Pipeline System
 - GLAST Pipeline Front End
 - LSST PEX
 - others
- Study will evaluate pros/cons
- Make recommendation
- Implementation is targeted for 2011

Background Automated Reprocessing: BAR



Current Status

- DADS distribution uses On The Fly Recalibration (OTFR)
- Why OTFR?
 - At the time, reprocessing was expensive to keep data "up to date",
 - disk storage was expensive.
 - It takes a long time to get the users their data, but they got the "best" data.



The Future:

- The core reasons for OTFR are no longer valid
- Users expect more immediate access to their data
- Makes data mining difficult
- VO synchronous interfaces are also problematic
- ECF/CADC HST Cache already provides this capability



The Future:

- Add a generalized service to DMS that handles the reprocessing of data
 - Will be based on ECF/CADC's experiences with their HST cache and mods to current DMS code
 - Need mechanism to identify datasets that require reprocessing
 - Reprocessing isolation from initial ingest pipeline
 - Need long term storage for the processed files
 - ▶ Common file storage broker to be utilized by the STScI Archive



The Future:

- Capabilities
 - Direct programmatic & VO protocol access
 - Faster access to data
- o Resources Needed
 - Need additional HW bandwidth
 - Will be deployed on the new Linux HW
 - Additional storage



References:

ST-ECF HST Cache:

http://archive.eso.org/cms/hubble-space-telescope-data/the-hst-cache

Linux Migration in DADS and OPUS



Current Processing Platform

Sun Fire Enterprise 15K running Solaris 10

- High availability practically no unexpected downtime
- Downtime dominated by large, scheduled software and OS patches.
- Up to 72 1 GHz UltraSparc III cores divided between development, testing and operations
- Processors can be reallocated dynamically (typically ops has 32)



Future of Current Platform

Sun Fire 15 K end of service life.

- Operational at STScI since Sept 2003
- Sun Microsystems acquired by Oracle
- Sparc chip architecture development on hold
- Solaris 11 past due



Future of Processing Demands

Processing demands increasing

- OTFR is starting to ramp up for public WF3 and COS distribution
- Bulk reprocessing for ACS (pre SM4) underway, WF3 and COS reprocessing expected to follow.
- Projects like Foo and Bar require much higher throughput



Future Processing Platform

Dell r910 using four Nehalem-EX Intel processors

- Eight hyper-threaded cores per CPU yields 64 logical cores at 3 GHz
- Operations will run on two Dell r910 machines provide backup and allow distribution to be decoupled from ingest.
- RHEL 5 on X86 already supported by ITSD
- RHEL 6 beta is available



Porting Processing Software to Linux

Both DADS and OPUS are Linux compatible

- OPUS supported on RHEL 3. Upgrade code and support libraries to RHEL 5 versions.
- DADS is Java-based and ported to Linux for JWST testing archive support.
- As a result, Linux software port is running ahead of hardware procurement.
- Regression test results available soon on older Dell equipment (24 x single-threaded core Dunnington CPUs)



Database Migration to MS SQL

Following MAST lead in converting Sybase databases to MS SQL.

- Replace 4x1GHz Sunfire E15K processors with dual hexacore Nehalem-EX (24 logical cores)
- Transact-SQL for both, with a few syntax differences (string allows only single quotes)
- Database organization differences (mixed case handling).
- No support for text data type fields



Unique Processing Database Issues

Database use by data processing differs from MAST in some respects

- Processing data is more dynamic for OPUS and DADS
- Used to temporarily cache the processing state
- Used for tracking progress on retrieval requests
- Use of MS SQL Server active-passive failover may be limited - still needs testing.
- Will follow Kepler mission model and replicate science catalogs directly to MAST database



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"Work in Progress"

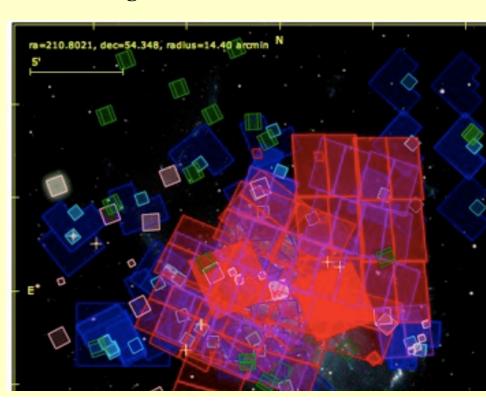
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for the MAST Team

by Brian McLean

Data Model Design

- Traditionally every mission has been treated independently
 - Unique schema and database design
 - Requires custom coding for all software that accesses metadata/data
- Modern approach is to use a data model as an interface layer
 - Map the metadata from each mission into model
 - Re-use same access methods for all missions
- Required for development of Archive portal where web-layer has short-lifetime
 - Back-end data access services are independent of front-end user-interface changes
 - Up-front work is in mapping all mission metadata into model
- Common Archive Observation Model (CAOM)
 - Developed by CADC
 - Implemented on a subset of CADC's most heavily used archives
 - Active collaboration on moving HLA into CAOM, eventually MAST
- Key features will be the availability of observation footprints for all of MAST missions
 - Footprints will be an important component of the data model
 - Will need to compute footprints for all observations



by Niall Gaffney

Data Broker

- Will simplify managing and distributing files. This provides users with
 - A unified access layer to all MAST holdings
 - Online access to all public MAST products
 - Common services and tools for browsing similar MAST products
 - Better cross-mission integration with new Portal
- Currently evaluating existing products ability to satisfy our needs
 - Using the iRODS data broker from San Diego Super Computer
 - Modifying and extending Data Broker used in DADS system
 - Using the commercial version of the Storage Resource Broker (iRODS predecessor but with SQLServer support)
 - Using other commercial products (e.g. EMC VPLEX)

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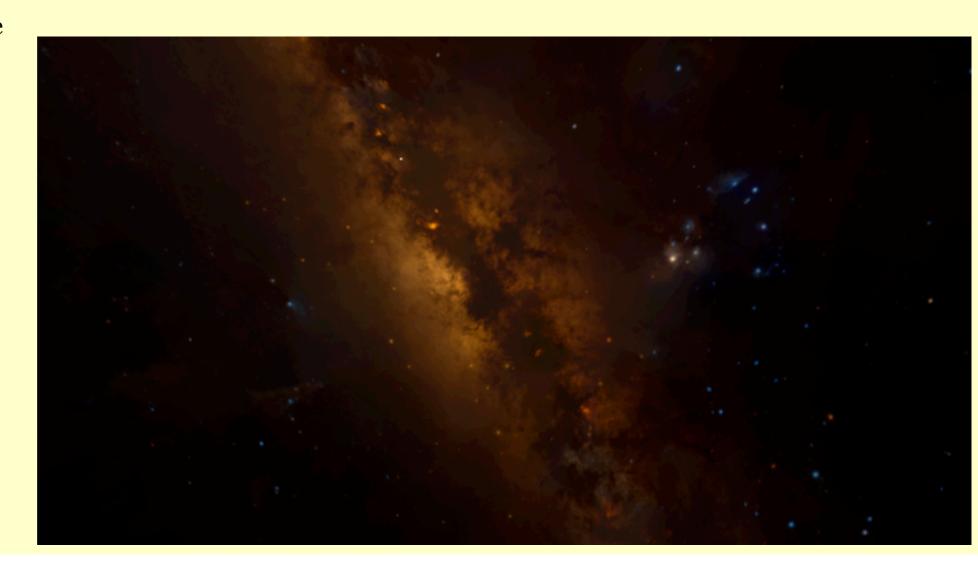
Ongoing GSC2/DSS Activity

- JWST Requirements for Enhanced GSC2
 - FGS Area smaller than originally planned. Need to use objects closer to plate limits to obtain sufficient density for guiding
 - Improved photometric calibration near limits
 - Better magnitude error estimate
 - Improved classification performance near limits
 - CrossMatch with deeper or IR catalogs
 - 2MASS done
 - WISE planned
 - SDSS & SkyMapper desirable
 - Transformations to FGS magnitude system
 - Can use 2MASS photometry in galactic plane
 - Used 2MASS and UKIDSS to derive optical to FGS transformation improve with WISE
 - Global statistics
 - Improve GS selection algorithms
 - New Recalibration Pipelines planned
 - Astrometric (UCAC₃/₄)
 - Photometric (GSPC 2.5, SDSS, SkyMapper...)

by Brian McLean

Ongoing GSC2/DSS Activity

- DSS Improvements
 - Header metadata updates as needed
 - Footprints will be added to database to better determine plate selection
 - Deploy jpg webservice



AstroTag

- Searches title, abstracts of HST Programs and papers
- Flash visualization for search refinement
- Uses IVOA hierarchical vocabulary
- Direct link to datasets



by Mark Kyprianou

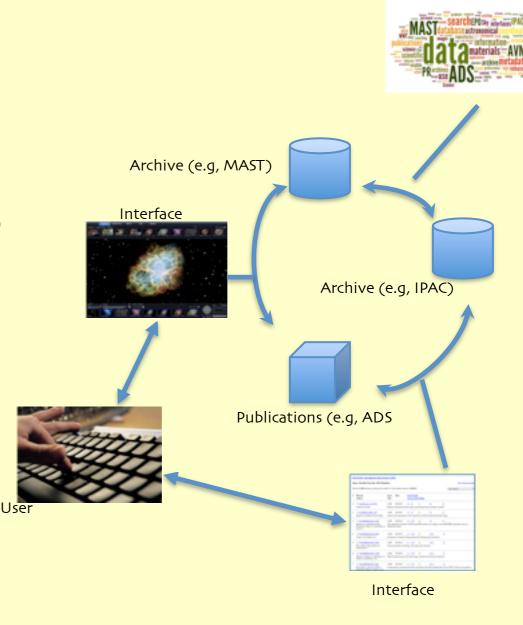
JWST – DMS Efforts

- JWST DMS Systems Engineering Working Group formed Oct '09
 - Group's task was to produce DMS requirements for JWST
- Completed Requirements and held Project level walk thru for:
 - Science Data Processing (SDP)
 - Engineering Data Processing (EDP)
 - Science Instrument Integration & Test Data Archive (SID)
 - Archive
 - Calibration Pipeline Software
- Working on Requirements/Walk Thru for reprocessing, cal. ref files, pipeline executive, and associations.
- Working toward System Requirements Review (SRR) in Sep '10
- Start work on design after SRR

by Carol Christian

MAST E/PO

- Audience: Scientists, engineers, educators, students, interested individuals
- **Purpose**: Enhance the accessibility and usability of astronomical data for public use
- **Product**: Insure that diverse visualization interfaces (including but not limited to applications like Sky and WWT) can be used to find, locate, describe, retrieve, and display data.
- Method: Provide robust meta-tags including a controlled keyword vocabulary and accurate WCS for PR images
 - Integrate and exchange information with other archives and the ADS
- Outcome: Users will be able to locate and retrieve data, publications and ancillary information (e.g., press releases) through NASA archives and the ADS, regardless of the entry point

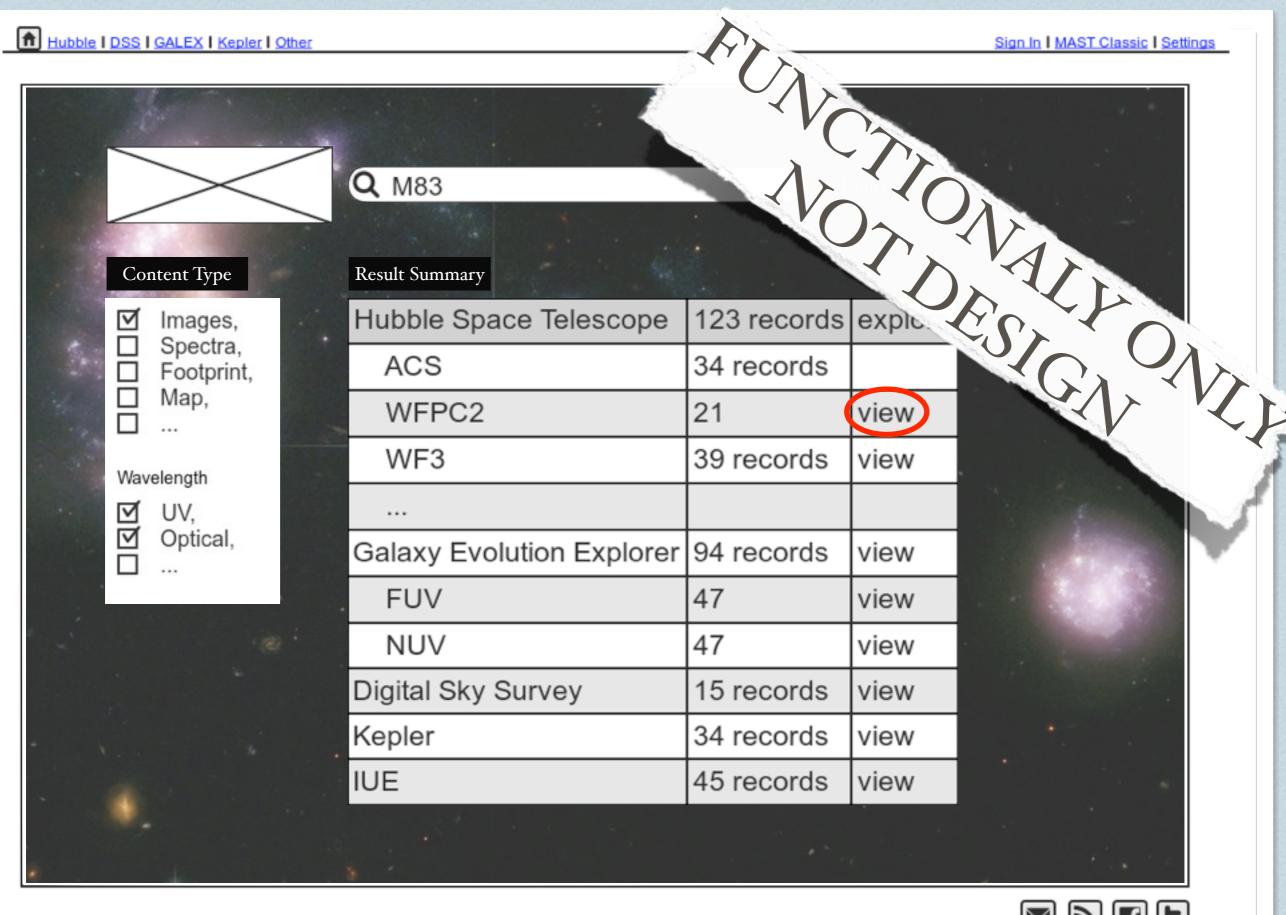


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MAST Portal Group

- Motivating Factors
 - Consolidate access to existing application functionality and look-and-feel
 - Single Sign-on to existing and new applications
 - Provide a vehicle to integrate new functionality
 - Leverage existing programming expertise:
 python, php, .net, actionscript, javascript,....



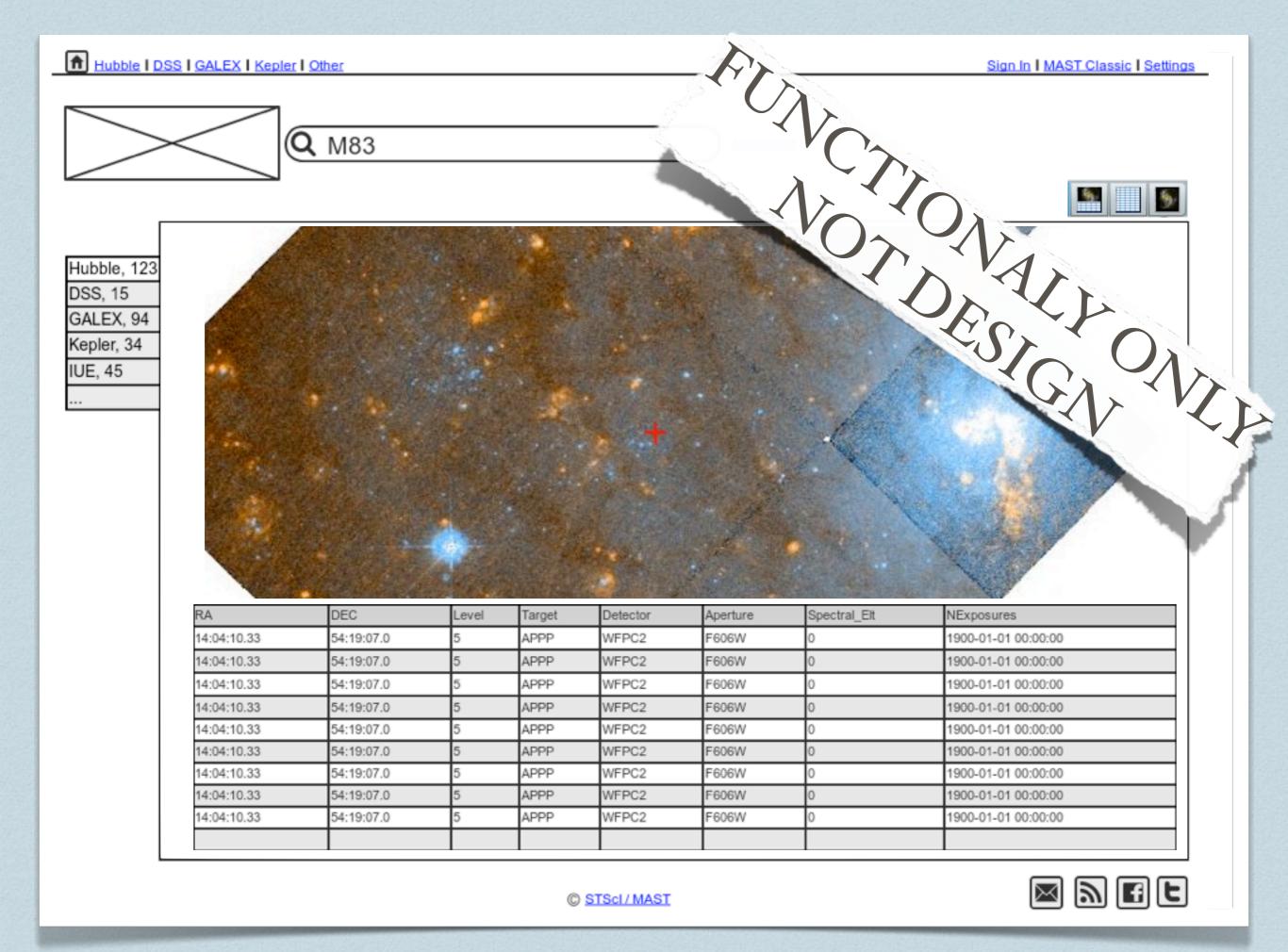


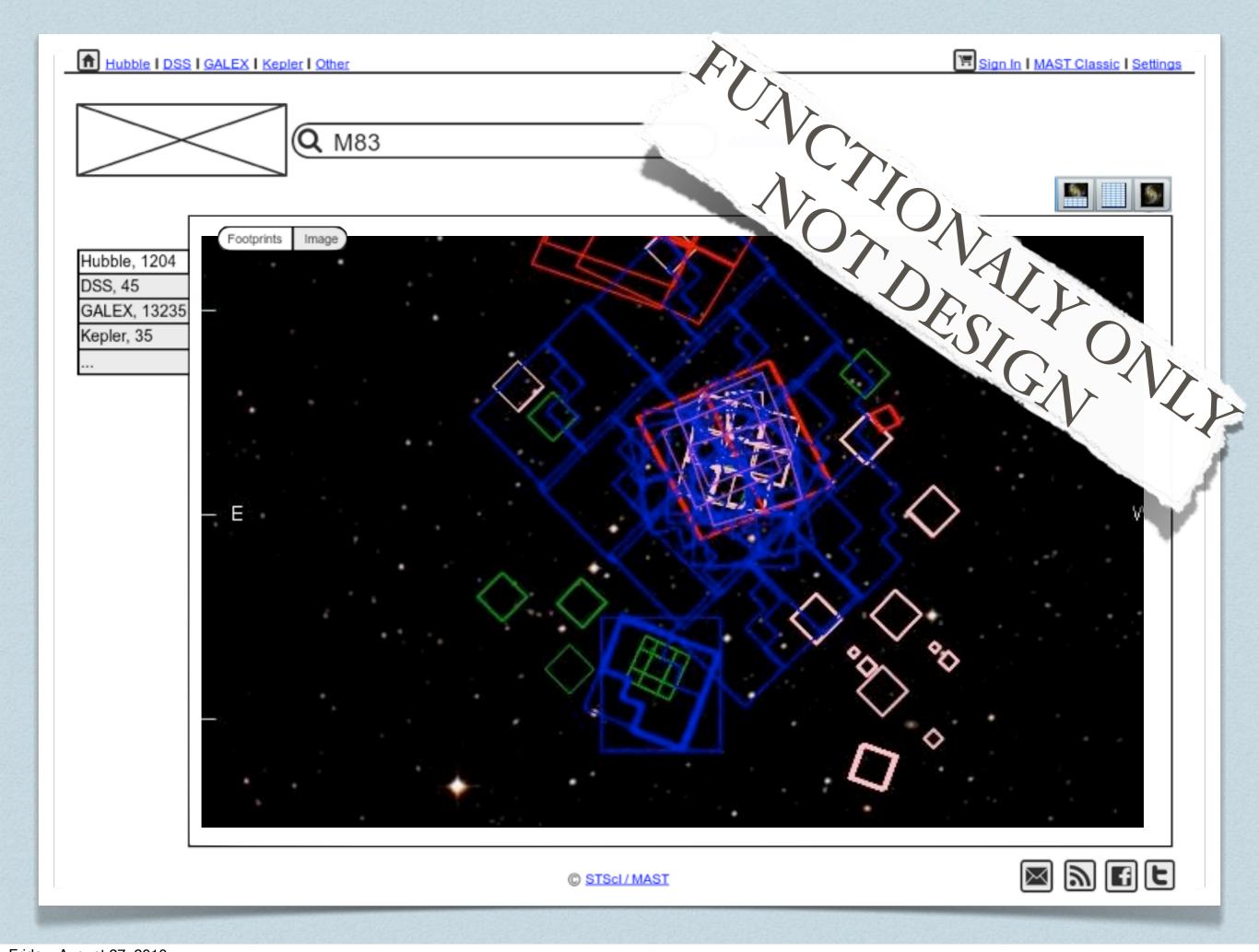
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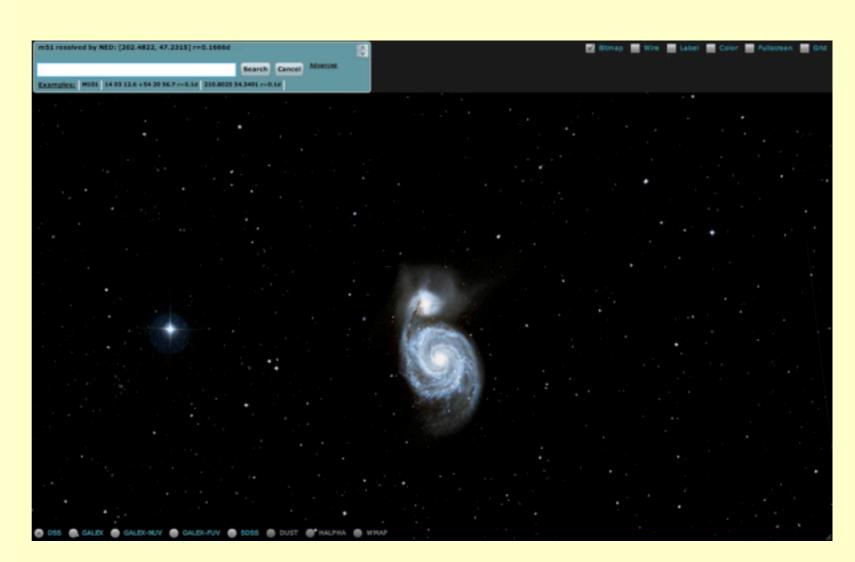
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AstroView

- Web mashup of TOAST images retrieved from Microsoft's World-Wide Telescope
- Written in Adobe Flex using the PaperVision3D Library
- Runs inside 99% of Web browsers using Adobe Flash Player
- In-house 'Varnish' Image Accelerator set up by Don Mueller

Future Work:

- Integrate with other MAST Web Tools
- Overlay Footprints, Footprint Summary 'bubbles'
- Incorporate more image surveys created In-House and externally



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SpaceRocks!

- iPhone App coming Soon to the Apple Store
- SpaceRocks! Team: Matt Brown, Tony Rogers
- SpaceRocks! is a Public Outreach(+) tool funded by JWST
- SpaceRocks! dynamically loads mission albums from the Server
- New albums can be easily added

Future:

- Each image will contain an 'info' link and 'hires' link
- (+) Search capability to mine/preview datasets in MAST





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