## The tale of two telescopes: Hubble and Webb: Why Hubble is worth saving after 35 years

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## Outline

- (1) Uniquely complementary roles of Hubble and Webb:
  - 414–500 hr combined HST+JWST images  $\Rightarrow$  keep HST alive!
- (2) Webb's first images: the "Cosmic Circle of Life"
- (3) Viewing the Universe through the Eyes of Einstein"
- (4) Summary and Conclusions

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• (5) Spare charts

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Before we get to the cosmic circle of life, let's get this straight:

• This Periodic Table you learned in highschool is **NOT** the real one!:



(1) Hydrogen & Helium: the *only* chemical elements made in the Big Bang!
(2) All heavier elements made by (dying) stars: • Low mass stars ejecting their outer shells; • Supernova explosions; & • neutron star mergers.

#### Here is the correct Astronomical Periodic Table:

(1) Hydrogen (76%) & Helium (24%)are the only chemical elements madein the Big Bang.

(2) Heavier chemical elements ( $\lesssim 1\%$ ; "dust") made by (dying) stars:

• Late stages of stellar evolution, Supernova explosions & white dwarfs, and neutron star mergers distribute these throughout the universe.

⇒ Planets and people are literally made from stardust!

#### The Astronomer's Periodic Table (Ben McCall)



• This is the real Periodic Table with cosmic abundance included.

• This has significant consequences for Hubble and Webb complementarity!



Fly's-eye energy vs.  $\lambda$ : (Driver<sup>+</sup> 2016; Windhorst<sup>+</sup> 2018, 2022):

Sunlight scattered off the Zodiacal dust.

Thermal radiation from  $\gtrsim$  240 K Zodiacal dust.

• integrated light from galaxy counts (+models).

New Horizon diffuse light (Lauer<sup>+</sup> 2021, 2022; 43-51 AU).

SKYSURF 1.25–1.6 μm diffuse light (Carleton<sup>+</sup> 2022; O'Brien<sup>+</sup> 2023; McIntyre<sup>+</sup> 2024).

Energy(cosmic SF+AGN)  $\simeq$  48%; Energy(dust)  $\simeq$  52%  $\Rightarrow$  Dust wins !!



Star Formation, Supernova Rate, & Black Hole growth peak  $\sim 10$  Gyr ago!



 $\Rightarrow$ HST best samples *unobscured* SFH & BH growth in last 10 Gyr (z $\lesssim$ 2), while JWST best samples *obscured* parts, especially in first 3 Gyr (z $\gtrsim$ 3).

#### (1) Uniquely complementary roles of Hubble and Webb:



500 hrs HST+JWST: 45 filters (0.2–5.0 $\mu$ m), lensing cluster MACS0416:

• HST darkest skies (10-10<sup>3</sup> × darker) + JWST's dark skies (10<sup>3</sup>-10<sup>5</sup> × darker than ground based):

 $\implies$  HST & JWST reach 30–31 mag (~1 firefly from Moon).



556 hr HST Hubble UltraDeep Field: 12 filters at 0.2–1.6  $\mu$ m (AB $^{<}_{\sim}$ 31 mag; F $^{>}_{\nu}^{>}_{\sim}$ 2 nJy; full BGR).



361 hr HST Hubble UltraDeep Field: 8 HST-unique filters 0.2–0.9  $\mu$ m (in false color blue).



53 hr JWST/NIRCam Hubble UltraDeep Field: 12 filters at 0.9–5.0  $\mu$ m (AB $\stackrel{<}{_{\sim}}$ 31 mag; in green + red).





414 hr HST+JWST Hubble UltraDeep Field: 20 filters at 0.2–5.0  $\mu$ m (AB $\stackrel{<}{_{\sim}}$ 31.5 mag; full BGR).

(Windhorst<sup>+</sup> astro-ph/2410.01187)



556 hr HST HUDF 12 filters



361 hr 8 HST-unique filters (false-blue)



#### 53 hr JWST/NIRCam 12 filters



414 hr HST+JWST 20 filters

### • (2) Webb's first images: the "Cosmic Circle of Life"



Hubble WFPC2 Eagle Nebula (1995) compared to JWST NIRCam (2022):

- The cradle of cosmic star-formation: NIRCam peers through the dust!
- The 1995 Hubble WFPC2 image (left) was made by Prof. Jeff Hester and Paul Scowen at ASU. It made it onto a US postage stamp!



Webb's MIRI shows the hauntingly beautiful cosmic dust pillars (8–15  $\mu$ m)

# JAMES WEBB SPACE TELESCOPETARANTULA NEBULANGC 2070



NIRCam Filters F090W F200W F335M F444W

Tarantula Nebula "30 Doradus" in Large Magellanic Cloud (163,000 lyrs away) Cradle of cosmic star-formation: massive stars trigger formation of sunlike stars



HST Wide Field Camera 3 UV-optical image of 30 Dor: hot massive stars.



HST WFC3 near-IR image of 30-Dor: massive and low-mass stars.



"Cosmic Cliffs" of star-formation in the Carina Nebula (NIR; 7600 light-years). JWST tracing the "Cosmic Circle of Life" ...



Cosmic Cliffs of Star-formation in Carina Nebula (NIR+MIR): Compared to optical/near-IR, mid-IR sees "Cradle of Cosmic Star-formation": Deep inside the gas and dust, mid-IR reveals birth of young Sun-like stars.



Stellar birth: Protoplanetary "Hourglass Nebula" L1527 at 460 lyrs.

- A forming protostar with  $\sim$ 30% of Sun's mass only 100,000 year old!
- Surrounding accreting gas, circumstellar disk, and outflow.
- Eventually, L1527 will start shining as a star, and have its own planets.



NIRCam+MIRI: ρ Ophiuchi dark cloud (closest stellar nursery at 456 lyrs):
Cradle of star-formation contains Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons!

Newly forming stars Herbig-Haro 46/47 with jet-expelled material (1470 lyrs):
Formation of Sun-like stars is messy: inflow and outflow of gas & dust!



Southern Ring Nebula (Near-IR+Mid-IR; 2500 light-years):

- You \*are\* witnessing the "Cosmic Circle of Life" here ...
- This is a Sun-like star expelling its outer layers in retirement ...
- It has exhausted its hydrogen and helium as nuclear fuel ...
- and expanded to  $>>100\times$  its current size, engulfing the Earth.



This is how our Sun *will* come to an end in 5 Billion years (near-IR). "... dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return".



From gas expelled by previous sun-like stars, new stars are born (mid-IR). And thanks to the dust they expelled, new stars will form with planets ...



Webb images of THE Northern Ring Nebula in Lyra:
[Left] NIRCam & [Right] MIRI: mass loss in Asymptotic Giant Branch stage.
This is how our Sun *will* come to an end in 5 Billion years ... and leave an ultra hot dim white dwarf star behind in the center.



30 solar mass Wolf Rayet star WR124 shortly before it turns Supernova ...

- [Left] NIRCam and [Right] MIRI both showing recent mass loss.
- Prelude stage to Supernova also releases a lot of (dusty) mass!



JWST MIRI: Supernova remnant Cassiopeia-A expelling gas, metals & dust!



## M83 spiral galaxy NIRCam (near-IR): Through dust stars are made ...



M83 spiral galaxy MIRI (mid-IR): ... and dust is returned by stars!



Webb NIRCam and MIRI images of nearby galaxies: Star-formation and dust production ubiquitous throughout the universe: "Cosmic Circle of Life" rules similarly throughout the universe!

### • (3) Viewing the Universe through the "Eyes of Einstein"



Webb is observing many things Einstein correctly predicted, yet doubted: Gravitational lensing, Black Holes, the Hubble Expansion, ...



Stephan's Quintet: 4 colliding galaxies (40 M-lyr; left spiral is foreground).

• These major "Cosmic Trainwrecks" are much more common in the past.

• Sun-like stars formed in aftermath of minor "Cosmic Fender-benders".



Stephan's Quintet: 4 colliding galaxies show "Beauty and a dusty Beast":

• Mid-IR shows molecular gas being pulled out during galaxy interaction.

• Gravity from collision in top galaxy feeds the Beast: central black hole!



NGC1433 a galaxy with dusty spiral arms at 48 million light-years



NGC7496 a galaxy with dusty spiral arms at 24 million light-years:
Inner spiral arms feed the central monster (supermassive black hole!)



Don't feed the animals: NGC7469, a spiral galaxy at 220 million light-years:
It has a supermassive black hole (SMBH) feasting on the in-falling gas!
In area surrounding the SMBH, gas is expelled at very high speeds.



Spiral overlapping Elliptical VV191: Tracing dust: small grains! (Keel<sup>+</sup> 23).
 150 Globular Clusters in z=0.0513 Elliptical (Berkheimer<sup>+</sup> 2024, ApJ, 964, L29).



... and the z=0.0513 Elliptical also lenses a background galaxy at z $\sim$ 1 (Keel<sup>+</sup> 2023, AJ, 165, 16)!



July 11, 2022: 12-hr Webb Deep Field on galaxy cluster SMACS 0723:
● Cluster galaxies already are ~9 Byrs old, seen at 4.5 Blyr distance!



HST image of SMACS 0723: adds optical but not same depth as Webb!
Cluster 3×older than the Earth today: we are cosmic late bloomers!



Cluster MACS0647 triply lensed a galaxy 0.4 Byrs after BB! (Hsiao, Coe<sup>+</sup> 22)



NIRCam: Cluster WHL0137-08 with highly lensed arc at z=6.2 (0.9 Byr).

- Earendel: a highly magnified (double-)star seen in the first billion years after the Big Bang the most distant star ever observed directly!
- Magnification  $\mu \simeq 9000$  due to caustic crossing.

(Welch, B., Coe, D., incl. Timmes, F. X. & Windhorst R. et al. 2022, ApJ, 940, L1 and — 2022, Nature, 603, 815).

JWST image of most luminous far-IR Planck cluster G165 at z=0.35 found: Lensed Supernova la at z=1.78  $\rightarrow$  measure  $H_0$  10 Byrs ago (Frye<sup>+</sup>23)!

https://bigthink.com/starts-with-a-bang/triple-lens-supernova-jwst/



NIRCam in G165 shows: 3 bright point sources parity-flipped w.r.t. Arc-2:

- Clearly a lensed SN Type Ia at z=1.783, seen only 3.6 Byrs after BB!
- 3-epoch NIRCam: 9-point light curve!  $\implies$  measure  $H_0$  directly !

(Polletta<sup>+</sup> 2023, Frye<sup>+</sup> 2024, Chen<sup>+</sup> 2024, Kamieneski<sup>+</sup> 2024, Pierel<sup>+</sup> 2024, Pascale<sup>+</sup> 2025).

→ Regular monitoring of clusters with extreme SF to yield more lensed SNe! • Total SFR $\simeq$ 200–350  $M_{\odot}$ /yr predicts  $\gtrsim$ 1 lensed SN/yr (Kamieneski<sup>+</sup> arXiv/2404.08058)





Pascale<sup>+</sup> (arXiv/2402.18902): Photo & spectro time delay:  $H_o = 75.4 + 8.1 - 5.5$  (at z=0.35). • Monitoring G165 predicts  $\gtrsim 1$  lensed SN-Ia/yr ! (Kamieneski<sup>+</sup> 2024, ApJ, 973, 25)



https://news.asu.edu/20230801-jwsts-gravitational-lens-reveals-distant-objects-behind-el-gordo-galaxy-cluster

#### and El Gordo makes a super-lens "El Anzuelo" — Einstein's fishhook!

https://webbtelescope.org/contents/news-releases/2023/news-2023-119

https://news.asu.edu/20230802-global-engagement-asu-webb-telescope-einstein-werner-salinger-holocaust

4-epoch 22-hr NIRCam + 122-hr HST on HFF cluster MACS0416 (z=0.397)

#### It's Christmastime in the Cosmos

Astronomers have a long tradition of finding holiday cheer in outer space.

Yan, H.+ (2023, ApJS, 269, 42): 12 new caustic transits at z~1-2 from 4 epochs!
Diego, J.+ (2023, A&A 679, A31): extremely magnified binary star at z=2.091!
https://www.cnn.com/2023/11/09/world/webb-hubble-colorful-galaxy-cluster-scn/index.html
https://www.nytimes.com/2023/12/19/science/christmas-stars-galaxies-webb-nasa.html?



Yan, H.<sup>+</sup> (2023, ApJS, 269, 42): 12 new caustic transits at z≃1-2 from 4 epochs.
Diego, J.<sup>+</sup> (2023, A&A 679, A31): extremely magnified z=2.091 binary star.
⇒ Regular monitoring of several clusters can see stars at z≳1 directly!
With magn≃1000-4000, many have spectra of binary stars at z≃1-2!





Abell 370 Dragon's arc: 44 individual caustic-transiting stars at z=0.73!

(Y. Fudamoto<sup>+</sup>, *Nat. Astron.*, astro-ph/2404.08045; J. Diego<sup>+</sup> 2024, A&A, 689, A167).

 $\implies$  JWST Time-Domain detects luminous stars at  $z\gtrsim 0.7$  directly!

#### **Summary and Conclusions**

(1) HST and JWST uniquely complement each other to trace cosmic starformation and (supermassive) black-hole formation over 13.5 Gyr.

(2) Webb's first images trace the "Cosmic Circle of Life":

- Formation and evolution of stars and dust over cosmic time.
- This dust helped form exoplanets and building blocks for life.

(3) Webb is observing the epochs of First Light, Galaxy Assembly & Super Massive Black Hole-growth in detail (much through grav. lensing):

- Formation of the first stars, star-clusters, SMBH's after 0.2 Byr.
- How galaxies form and produce their dust over 13.5 Billion years.

(4) HST maps (unobscured) SF in the last 10 Gyr, complementing Webb's advantage in the first 3-Gyr:

• Hubble must be kept operational to maximize Webb's science return!



#### PEARLS papers, press releases and other URLs

Talk: http://www.asu.edu/clas/hst/www/jwst/sese\_facmtg\_jan25\_hstjwst.pdf Data: https://sites.google.com/view/jwstpearls https://hubblesite.org/contents/news-releases/2022/news-2022-050 https://blogs.nasa.gov/webb/2022/10/05/webb-hubble-team-up-to-trace-interstellar-dust-within-a-galactic-pair/ https://blogs.nasa.gov/webb/2022/12/14/webb-glimpses-field-of-extragalactic-pearls-studded-with-galactic-diamonds/ https://esawebb.org/images/pearls1/zoomable/ https://webbtelescope.org/contents/news-releases/2023/news-2023-119 https://news.asu.edu/20230801-jwsts-gravitational-lens-reveals-distant-objects-behind-el-gordo-galaxy-cluster https://hubblesite.org/contents/news-releases/2023/news-2023-146 https://www.nytimes.com/2023/12/19/science/christmas-stars-galaxies-webb-nasa.html? https://bigthink.com/starts-with-a-bang/triple-lens-supernova-jwst/ Adams, N. J., Conselice, C. J., Austin, D., et al. 2024, ApJ, 965, 169 (astro-ph/2304.13721v1) Austin, Duncan, Conselice, C. J., Adams, et al. 2024, ApJ, submitted (astro-ph/2404.10751) Berkheimer, J. M., Carleton, T., Windhorst, R. A., et al. 2024, ApJ, 964, L29 (astro-ph/2310.16923v2) Carleton, T., Windhorst, R. A., O'Brien, R., et al. 2022, AJ, 164, 170 (astro-ph/2205.06347) Carleton, T., Cohen, S. H., Frye, B., et al. 2023, ApJ, 953, 83 (astro-ph/2303.04726) Carleton, T., Ellsworth-Bowers, T., Windhorst, R. A., et al. 2024, ApJL, 961, L37 (astro-ph/2309.16028) Chen, W., Kelly, P. L., Frye, B. L., et al. 2024, ApJ, in press (astro-ph/2403.19029) Diego, J. M., Meena, A. K., Adams, N. J., et al. 2023, A&A, 672, A3 (astro-ph/2210.06514) Diego, J. M., Sun, B., Yan, H., et al. 2023, A&A, 679, A31 (astro-ph/2307.10363) Diego, J. M., Adams, N. J., Willner, S., et al. 2024, A&A, submitted (astro-ph/2312.11603) Diego, J. M., Li, S. K., Amruth, A., et al. 2024, A&A, in press (astro-ph/2404.08033) D'Silva, J. C. J., Driver, S. P., Lagos, C. D. P., et al. 2024, ApJL, 959, L18 (astro-ph/2310.03081v1) Duncan, K. J., Windhorst, R. A., et al. 2023, MNRAS, 522, 4548–4564 (astro-ph/2212.09769) Frye, B. L., Pascale, M., Foo, N., et al. 2023, ApJ, 952, 81 (astro-ph/2303.03556) Frye, B. L., Pascale, M., Pierel, J., Chen, W., Foo, N., et al. 2024, ApJ, 961, 171 (astro-ph/2309.07326v1)

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Oct 2023: Webb is now THE highest-in-demand NASA Flagship mission ever!



Webb is finally launched from Kourou on December 25, 2021!



Dec. 25, 2021: Webb seen shortly after launch over Africa using the Ariane V on-board camera.



Feb. 2022: Webb's first selfie (left) and First Light raw image (right).





Webb's first segment alignment (left) and first image stack (right).

## TELESCOPE ALIGNMENT EVALUATION IMAGE

March 16, 2022: Webb's first fully focused image publicly released !! Note the plethora of faint galaxies — Webb's looking back in time!



JWST NIRCam+MIRI: Cosmic Cliff-like in Orion's Trapezium (1344 lyrs):
New stars are forming containing the carbon chain "Methyl Cation"

#### JAMES WEBB SPACE TELESCOPE SUPERNOVA 1987A



NIRCam: Remnants of Supernova 1987A seen in Large Magellanic Cloud
Shells outflowing over the decades caused hour-glass shaped bubbles



Hubble saw a lensed Supernova Ia behind this galaxy cluster in 2016: Webb saw more distant lensed Supernova at z=1.9 (age 3.5 Byrs) in 2023!  $\implies$  "SN Encore": Lensing is the gift that keeps on giving!

#### HUBBLE AND WEBB SPACE TELESCOPES **GALAXY CLUSTER** | MACS J0416.1-2403



122 hr HST + 22 hr JWST on Frontier Field cluster MACS0416 (4.3 Blyr)
The power of Two Telescopes: Webb collects 6× more light than Hubble! NASA press release for Nov. 9, 2023: https://webbtelescope.org/contents/news-releases/2023/news-2023-146



z=0.97 cluster SPT0615: lenses young globular clusters at z=10.2 !

Adamo<sup>+</sup> (2024, Nature 632, 513): ~50 Myr old, formed at z~11! https://esawebb.org/news/weic2418/



z≳1 universe is littered with galaxy mergers and supermassive black holes!
 We live in a *boring* galaxy away from major mergers & SMBHs!

Will this ever happen to our own Galaxy?

YES! Hubble showed no lateral motion of Andromeda: Approaches at -110 km/s. Hence, Andromeda will merge with Milky Way! The two blackholes  $(10^6 - 10^7)$ suns) will also merge! Not to worry: only 4-5 Byr from today!

Illustration Sequence of the Milky Way and Andromeda Galaxy Colliding

NASA, ESA, Z. Levay and R. van der Marel (STScl), T. Hallas, and A. Mellinger - STScl-PRC12-20b





[Left] (Super Massive) Black Hole growth may start before  $z\simeq 20$  (175 Myr).

[Right] This results in overweight SMBHs compared to their host galaxies at  $z\simeq 4-8$  (or in the first 0.6–1.5 Byr)!

(*e.g.*, Maiolino et al. 2024, Nature, 627, 59)

Who came first: chicken (Galaxy) or egg (SMBH)?: Most certainly the egg!