



# The need for a multi-purpose, optical–NIR space facility after HST and JWST

*The case for an ESA-led HabEx Workhorse Camera*

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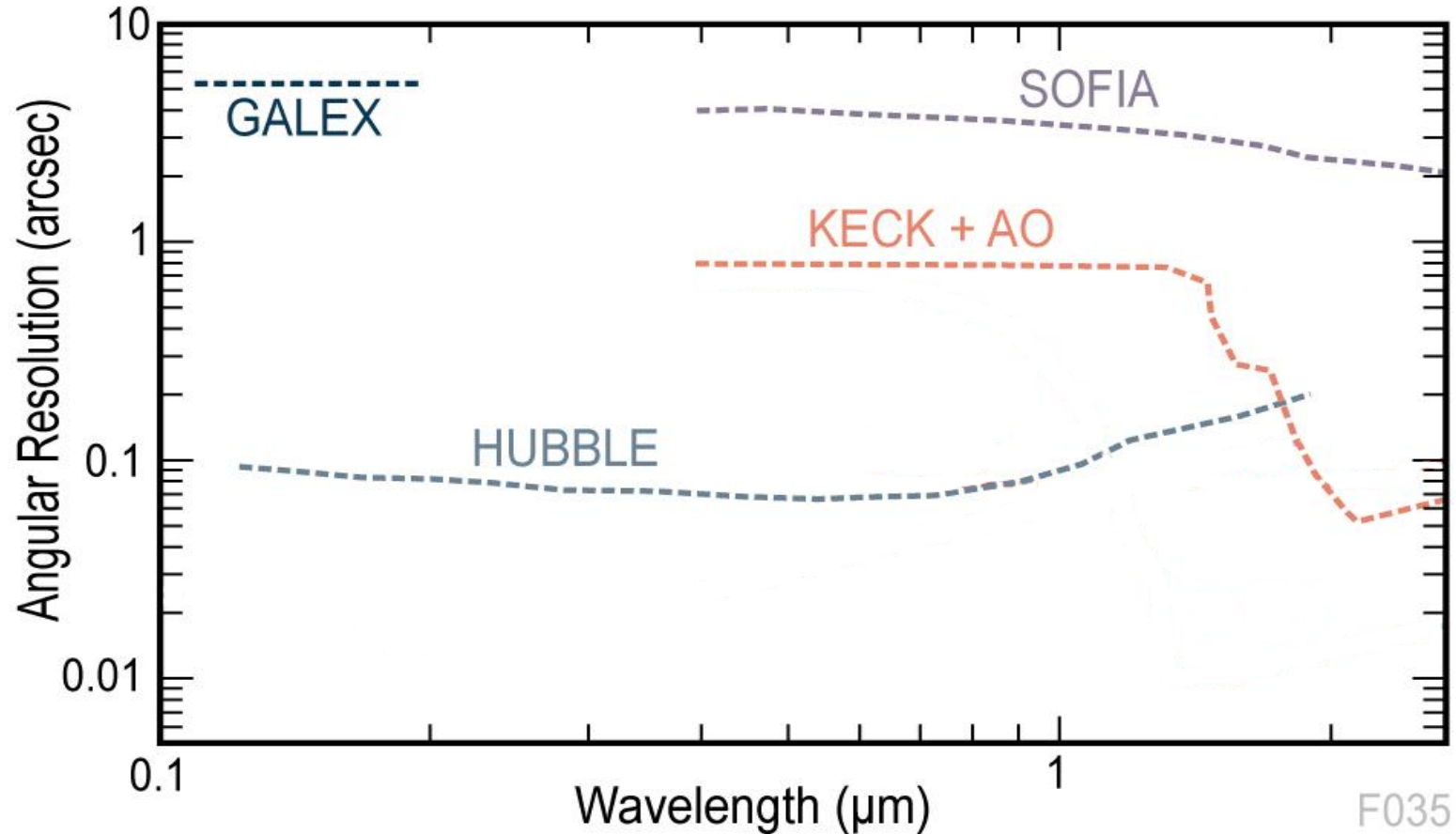
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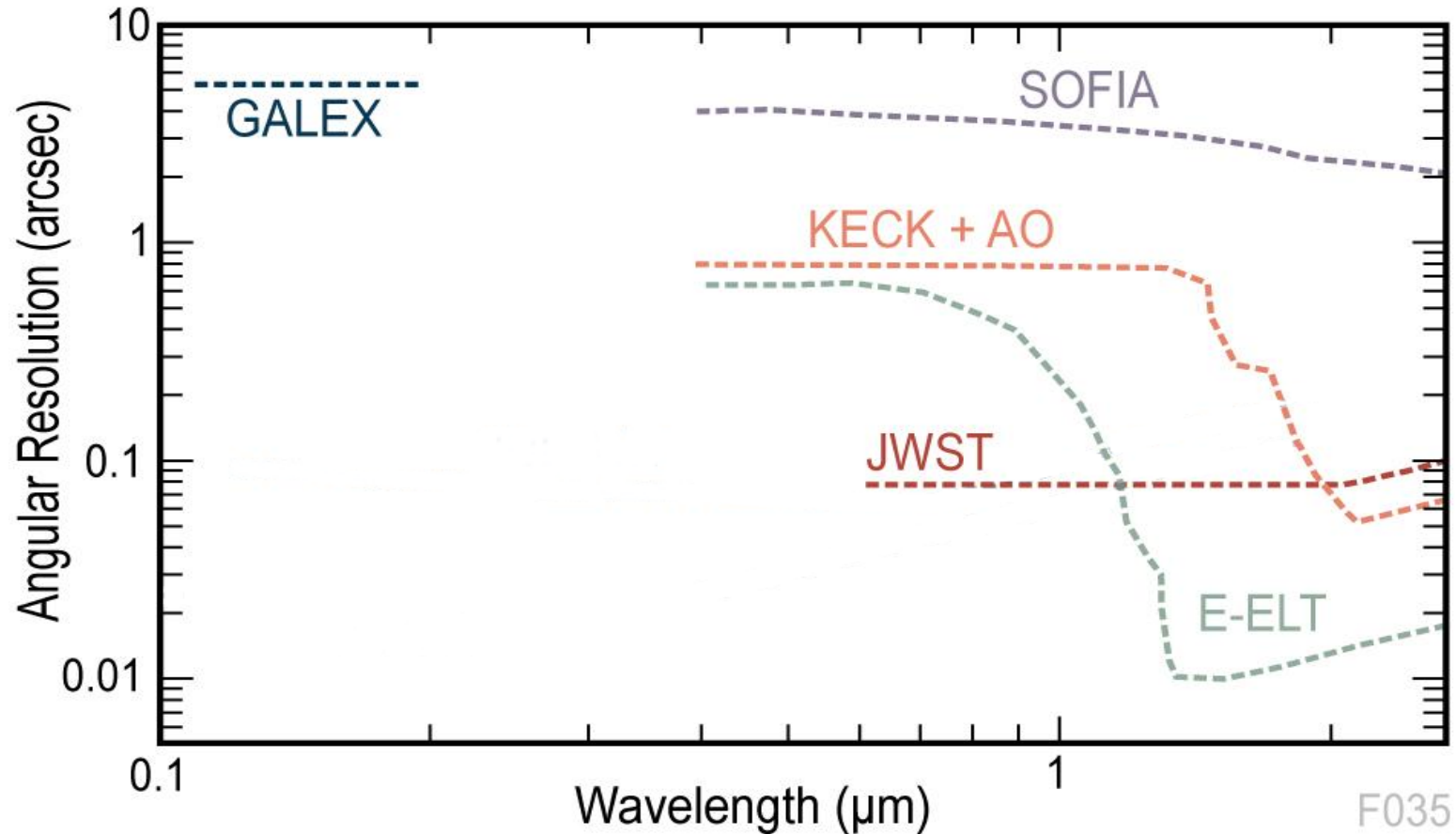
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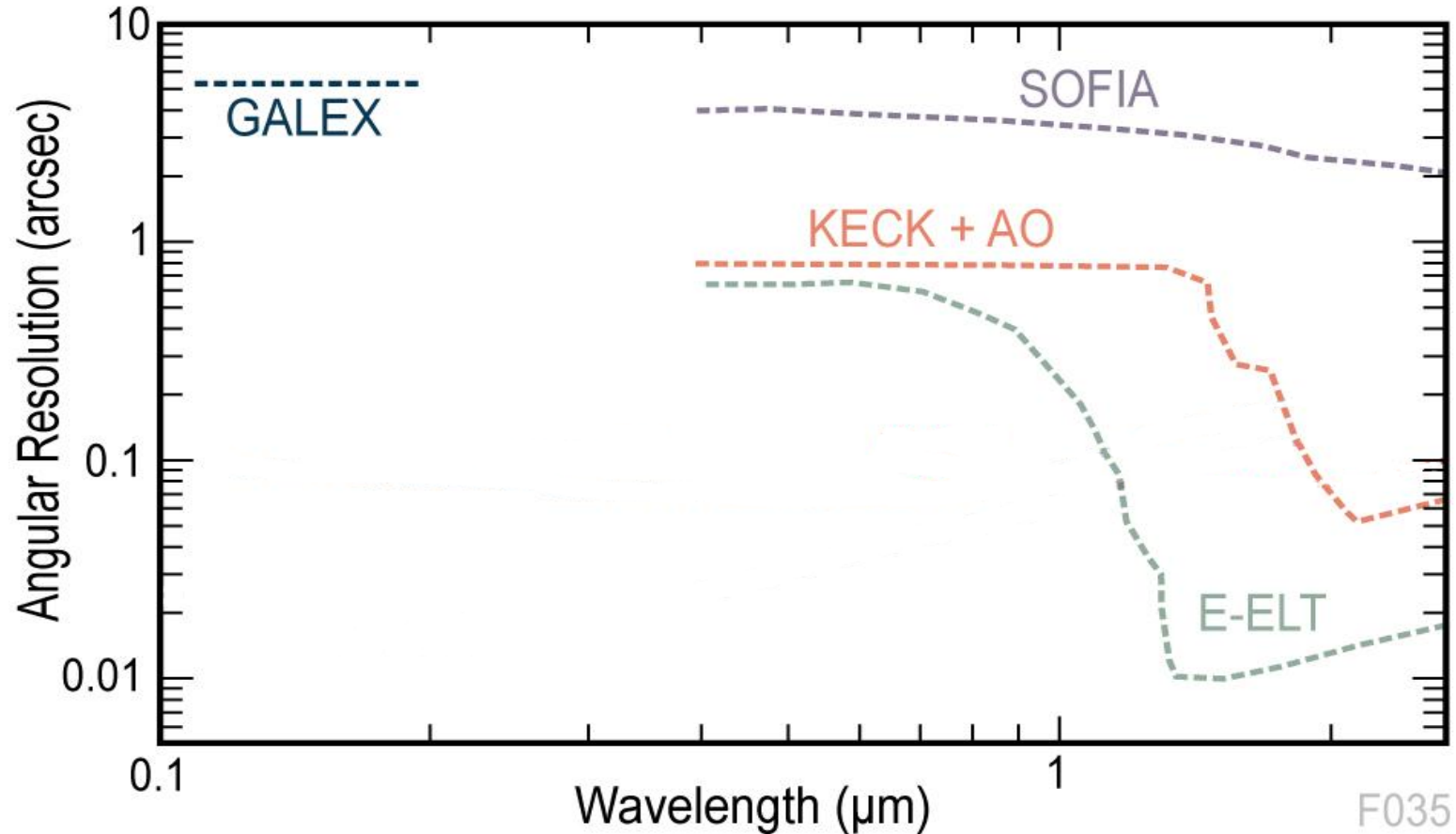
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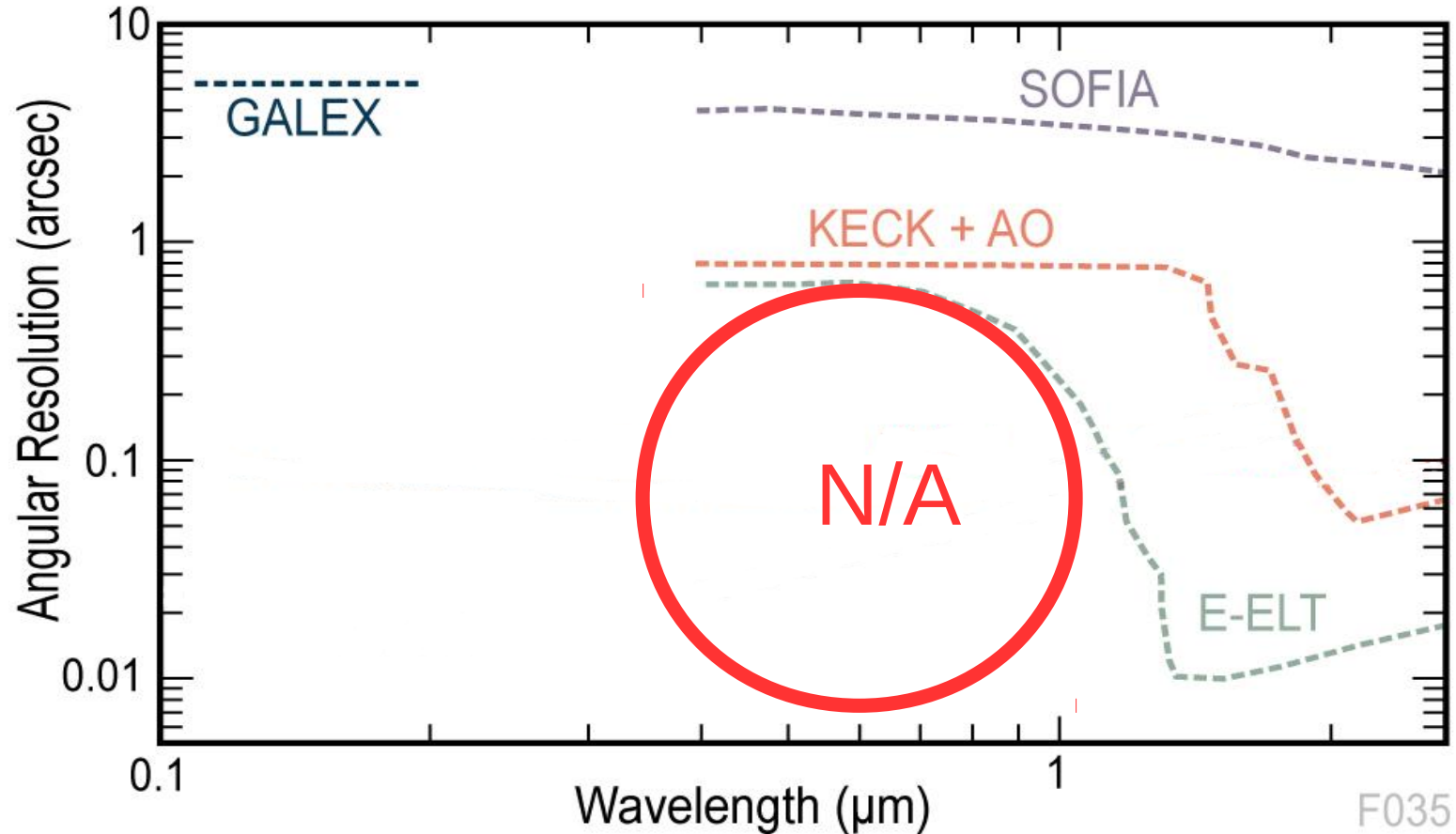
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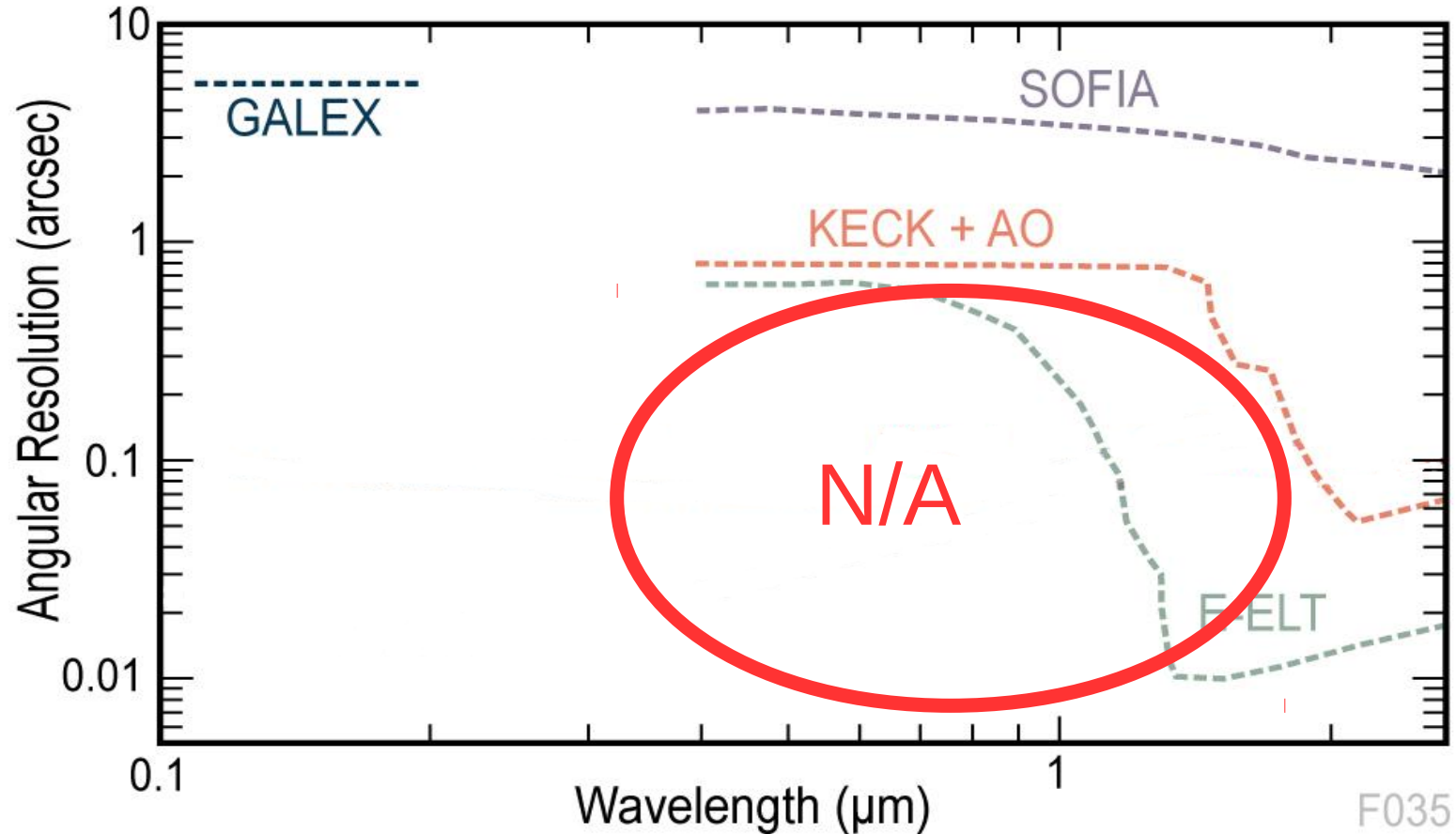
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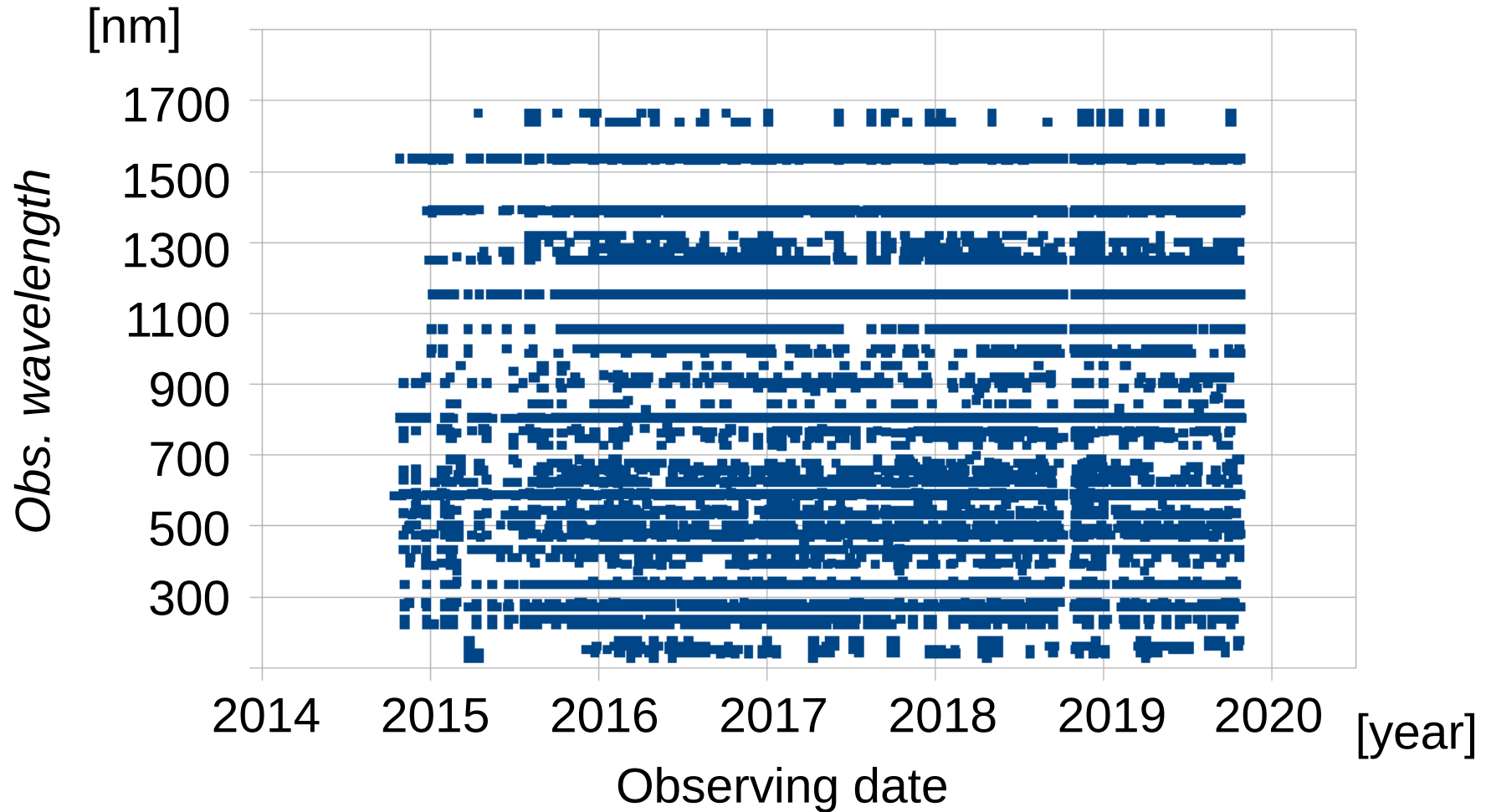


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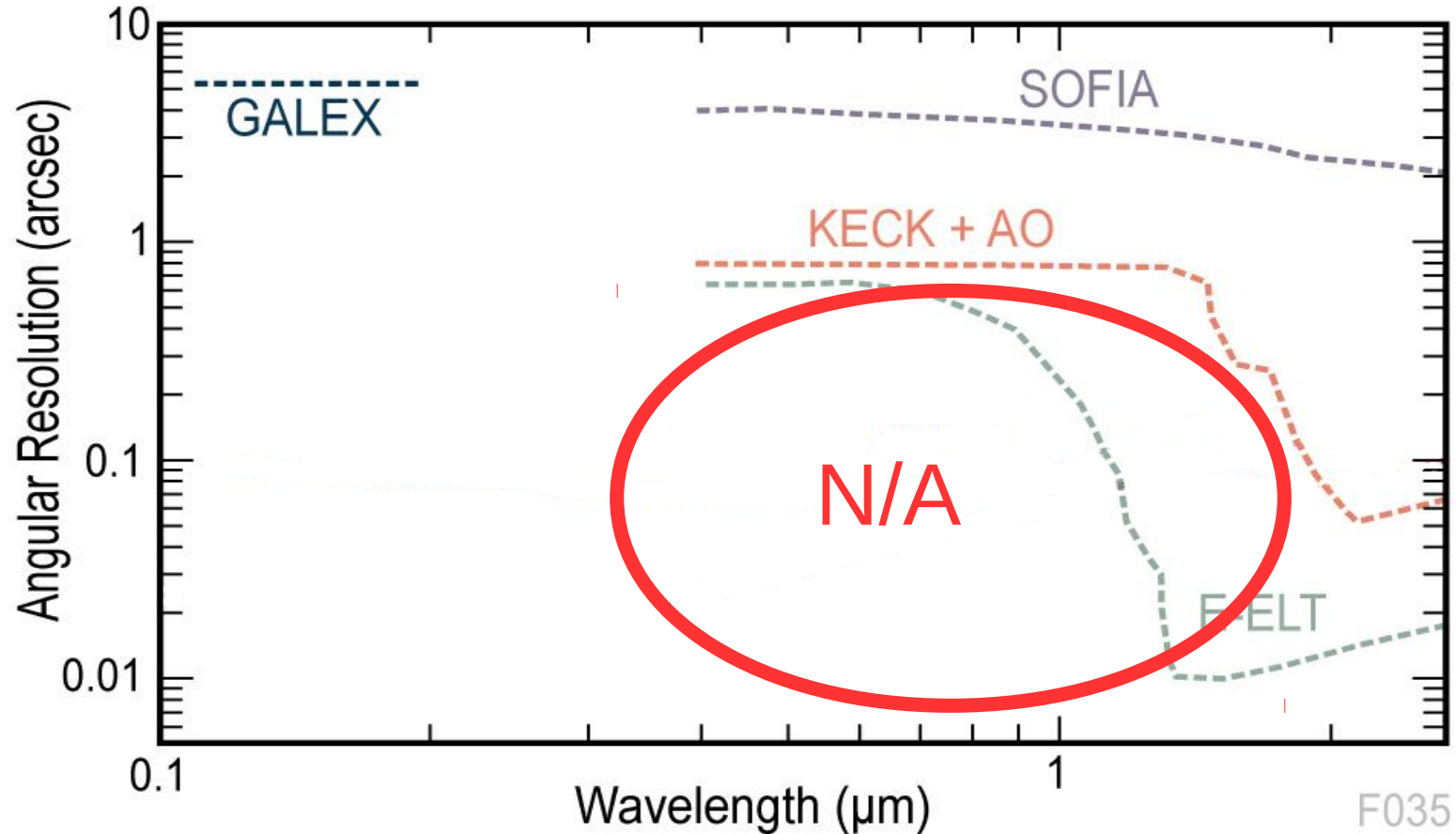
# HST observing: 2014–now





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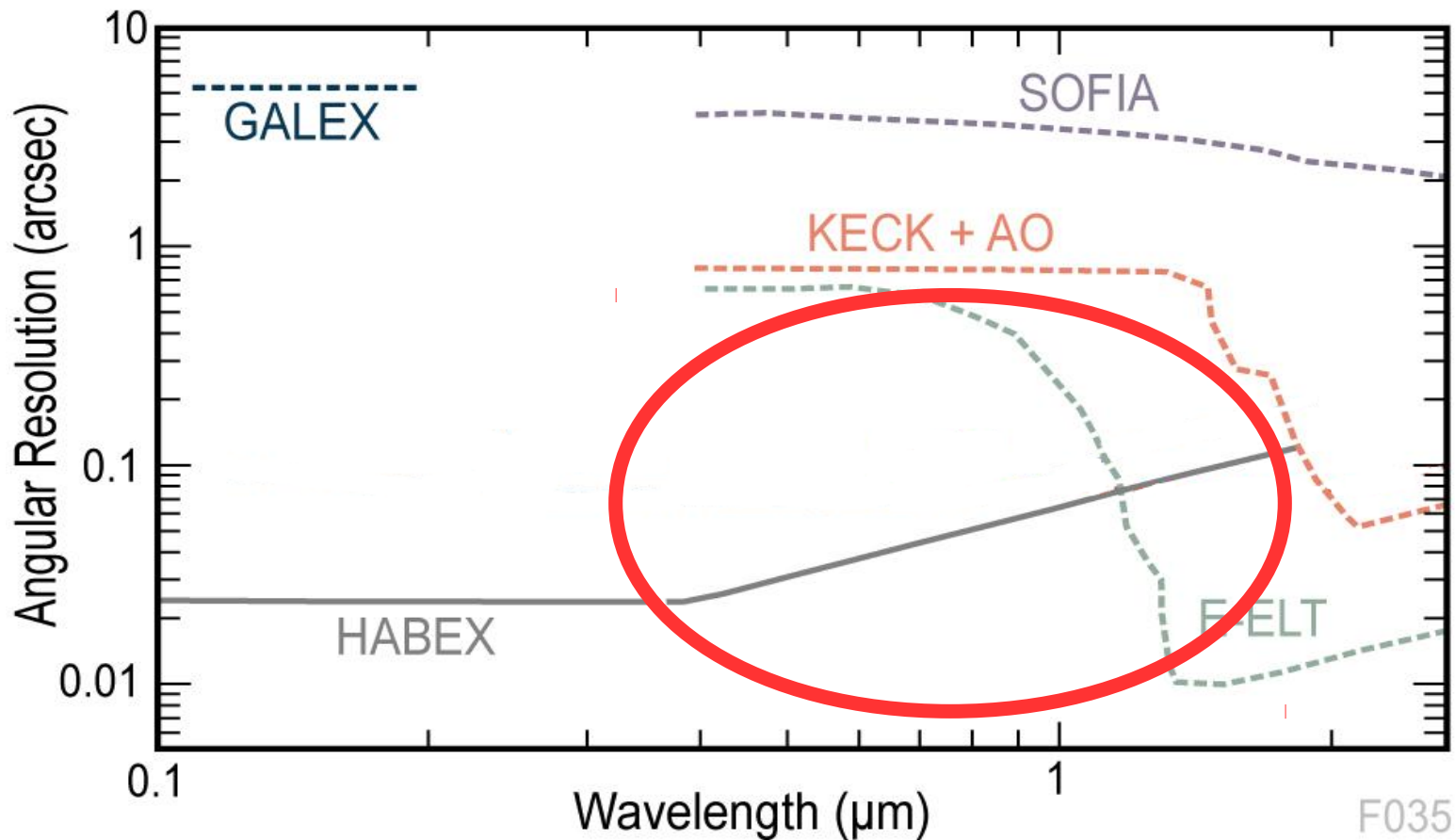
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# Observing facilities: HabEx to the rescue!



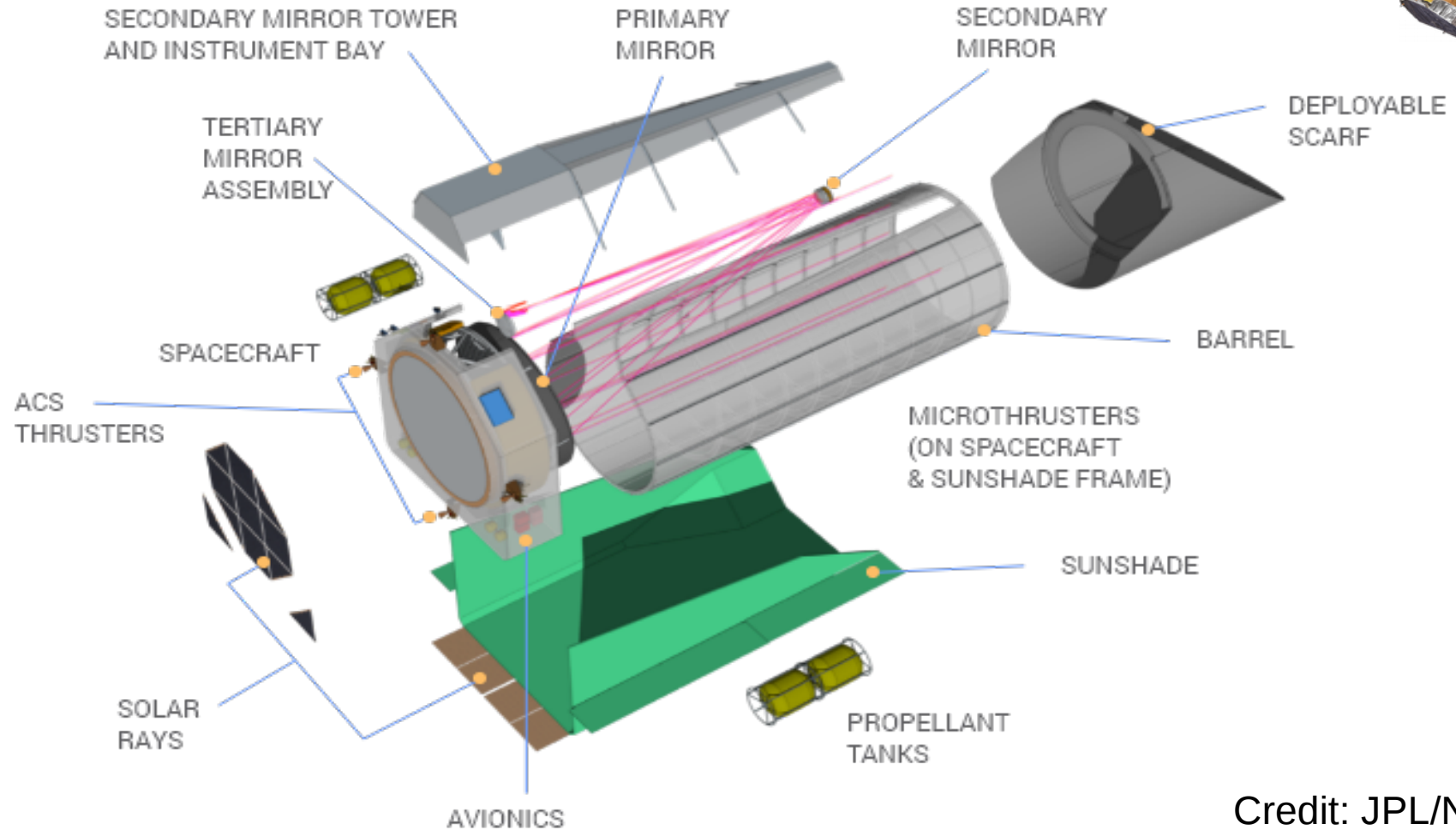
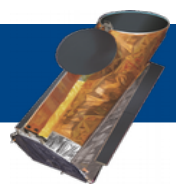
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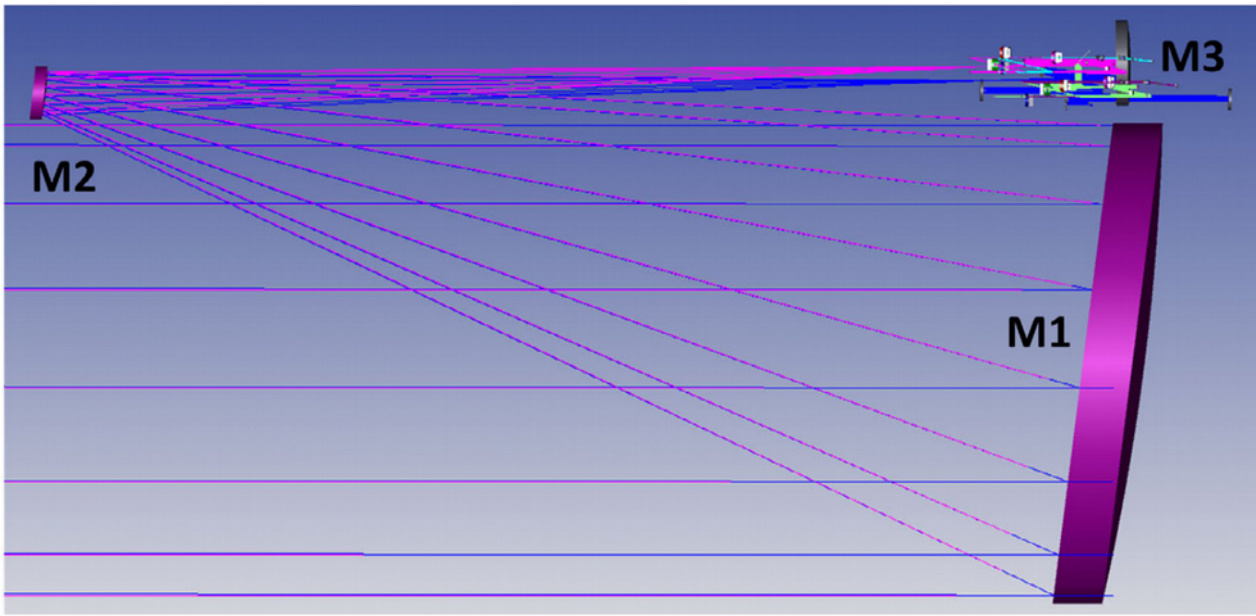
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# HabEx: Overview

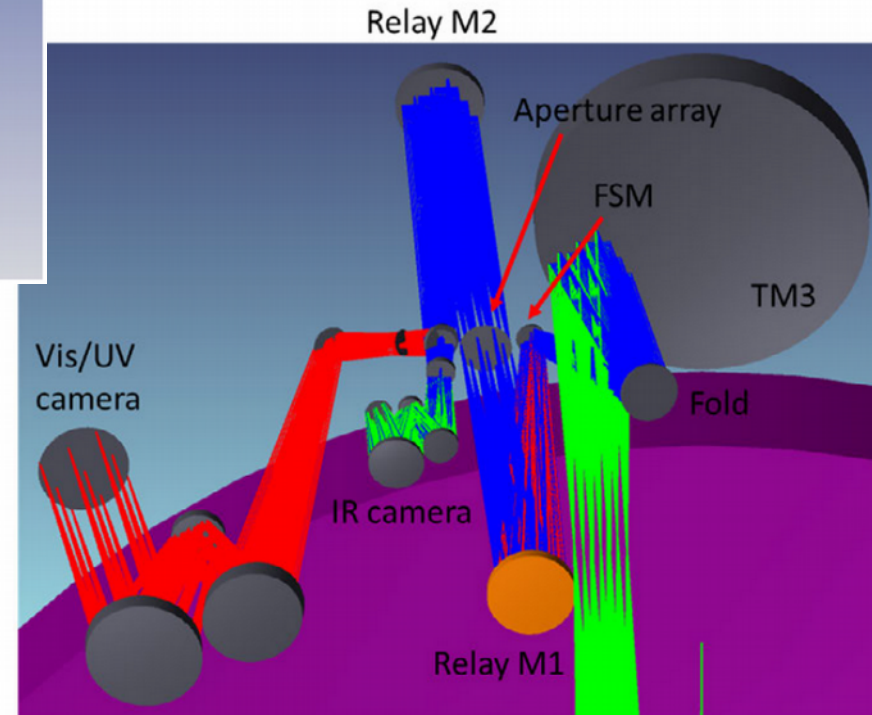


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# HabEx: Telescope and Workhorse Camera (HWC)



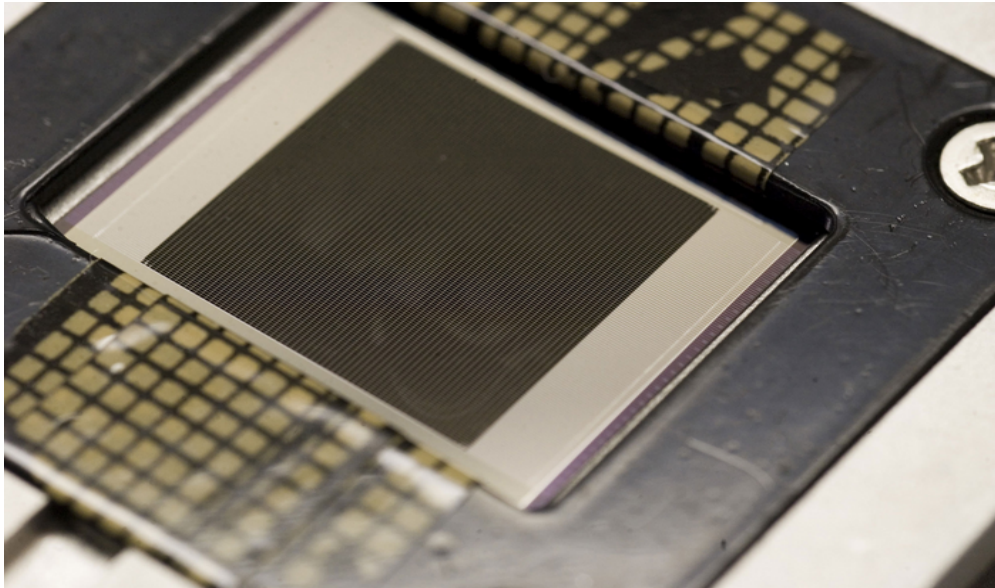
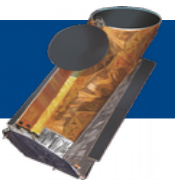
HabEx + HWC: simple optical layout



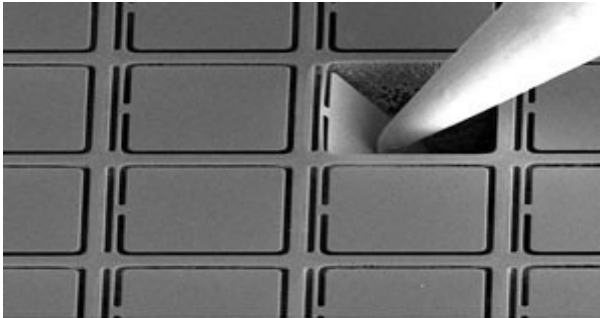
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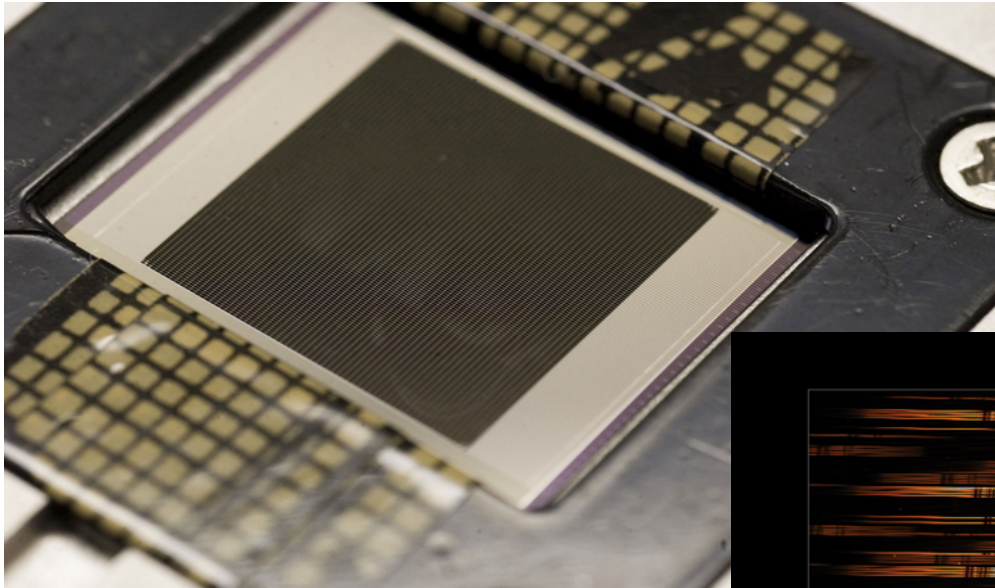
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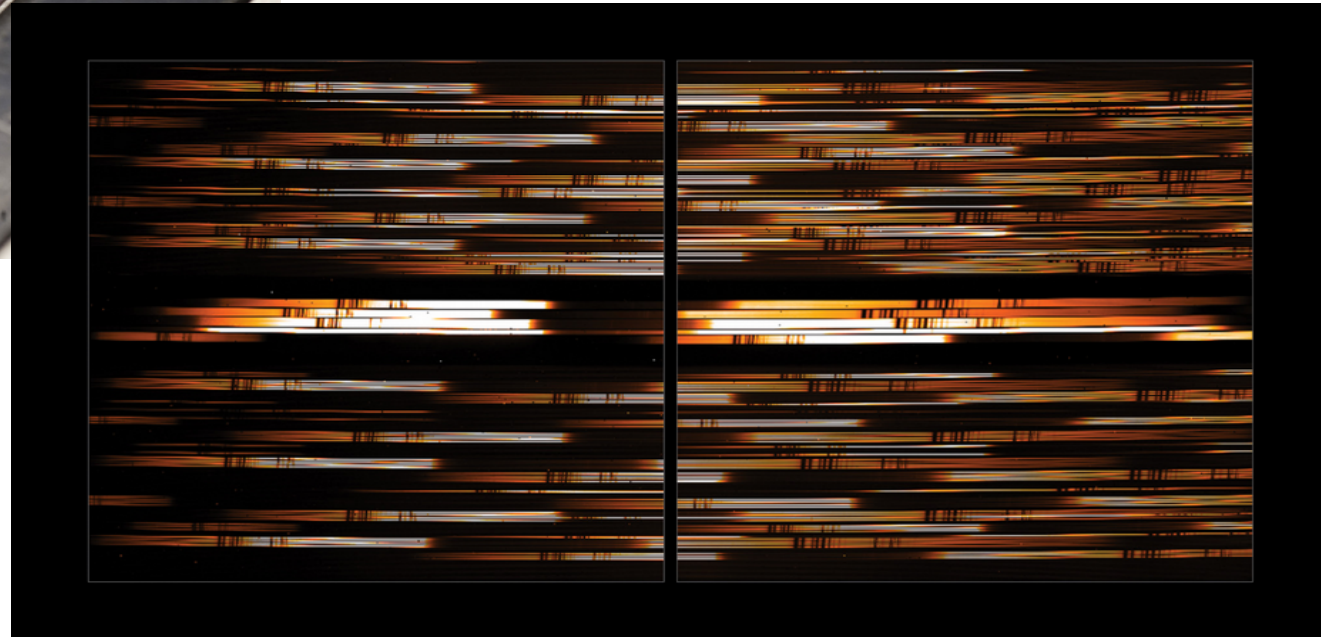
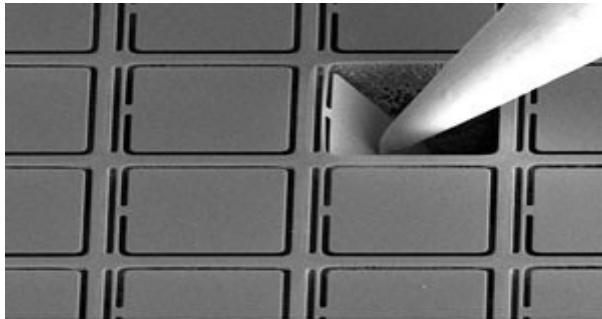
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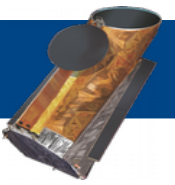


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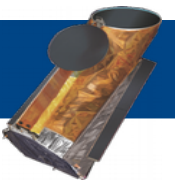




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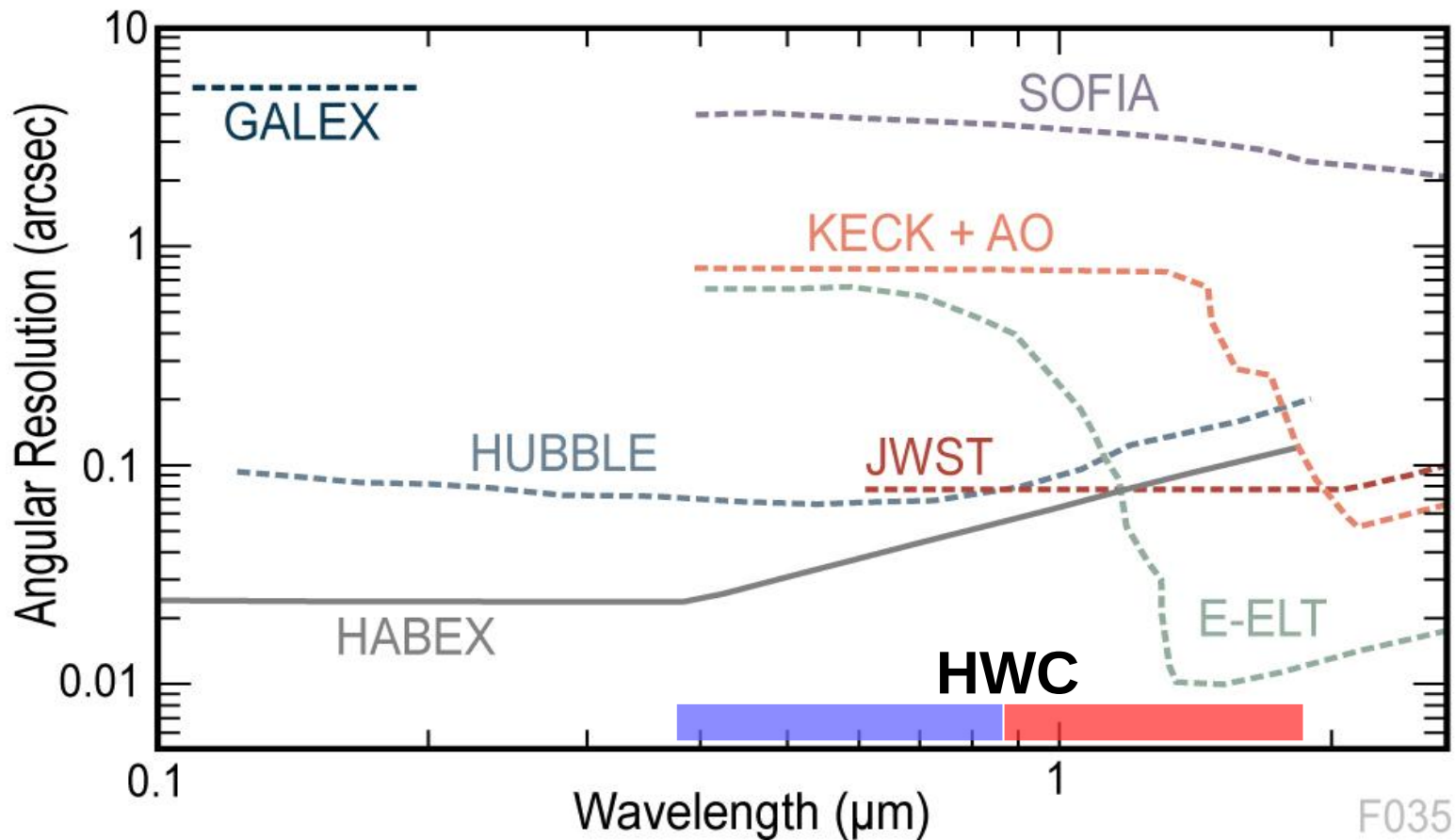


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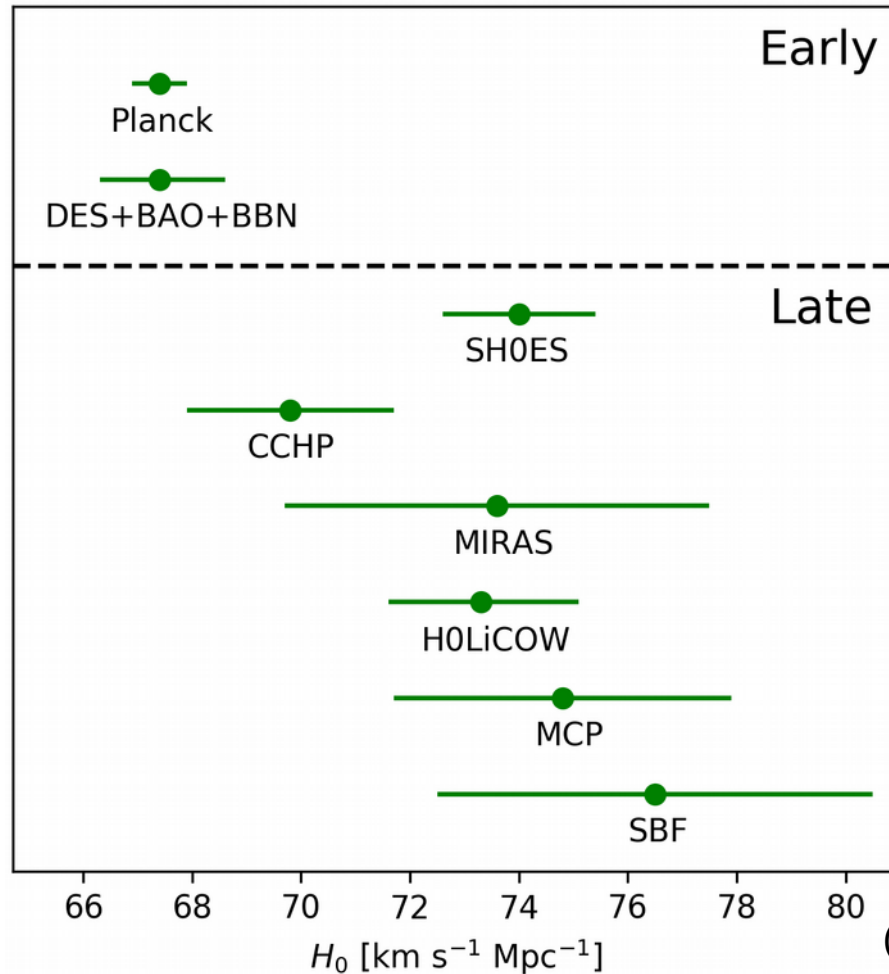
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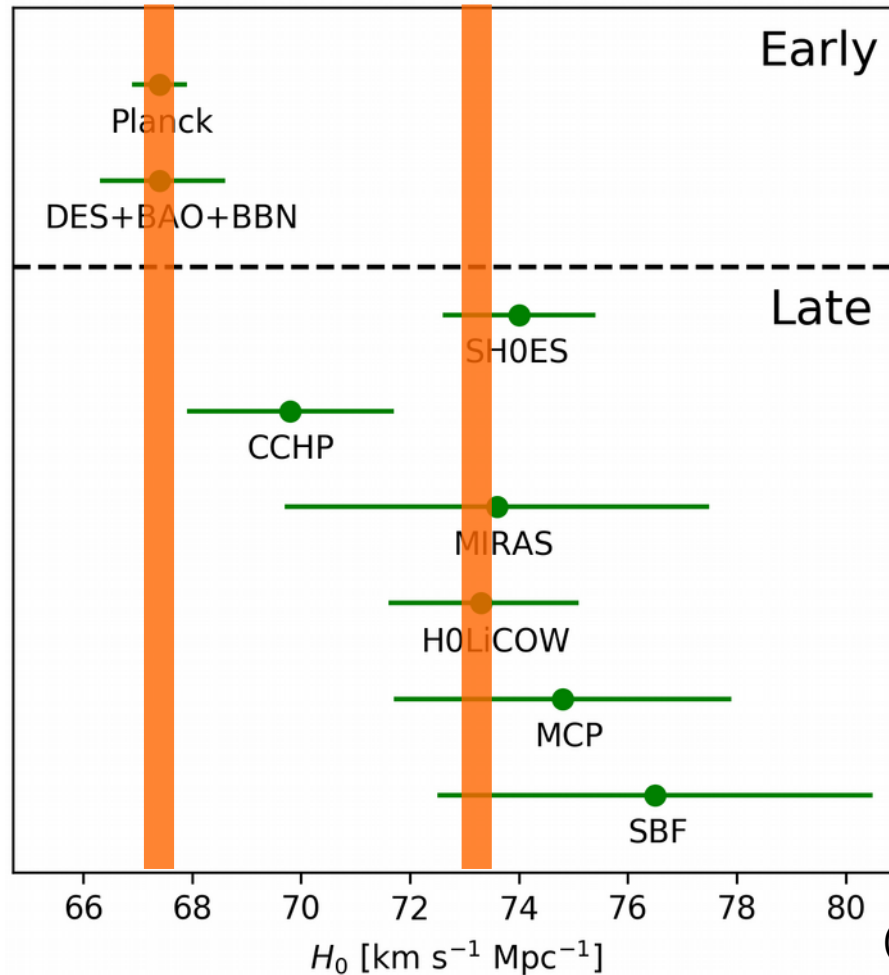
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## HabEx case: Workhorse Camera

- Calibrate precision Cepheid distances for SN1a galaxies
  - $D^4$ -scaled sensitivity improvement over HST+WFIRST (4m vs. 2.4m); x8 faster → larger survey volume → many more SN1a
  - requires  $\geq 2.5 \times 2.5$  arcmin<sup>2</sup> field-of-view to fit whole galaxies
  - imaging with several filters at 0.4–1.7 $\mu$ m
- High-fidelity mass models for quasar lenses
  - better angular resolution and larger spatial volume → sizable sample

## 2. The Star Formation Histories of Nearby Galaxies from Stellar Archaeology

# SF Histories of Nearby Galaxies from Stellar Archaeology

Galaxy formation and evolution, primary goal:

- Lifecycle of Baryons in cosmological context
- Production of heavy elements → conditions for star formation, planet formation, life!
  
- Fundamental open questions, e.g.:
  - Initial mass function, variation with metallicity?
  - Role of environment: variation of UV-photon density from neighboring stars, remnants, AGN?

# SF Histories of Nearby Galaxies from Stellar Archaeology

- One approach: statistical redshift studies
- Complementary and powerful: measure history of individual stars in nearby gals
  - Measure ages, chemical abundances → “fossil record” of birth time and location of these stars



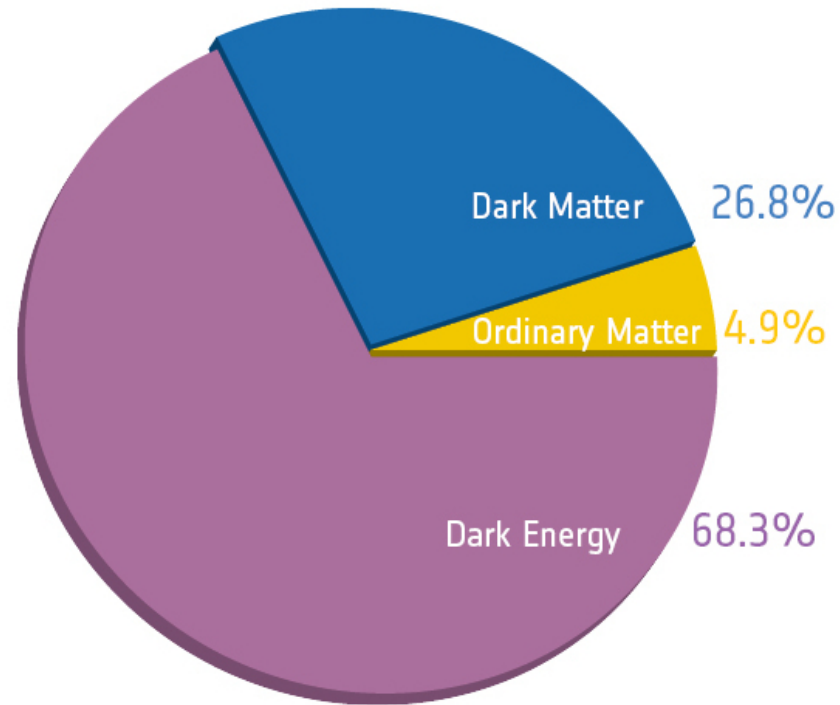
## HabEx case:

- Expand HST work beyond local group
  - much larger accessible volume over 2.4m HST+WFIRST → much more diverse environments, masses,...
  - requires:  $<0.1''$  resolution for deblending, wide-field imaging in several UV-optical bands, very stable PSF; down to stellar main sequence → only HabEx Workhorse Camera
  - add HabEx UV Spectrograph, multi-object UV spectroscopy at 250nm, to break age-dust-metallicity degeneracy → not possible with JWST

## 3. Probing the Nature of Dark Matter with Dwarf Galaxies



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(ESA & the Planck Collaboration)

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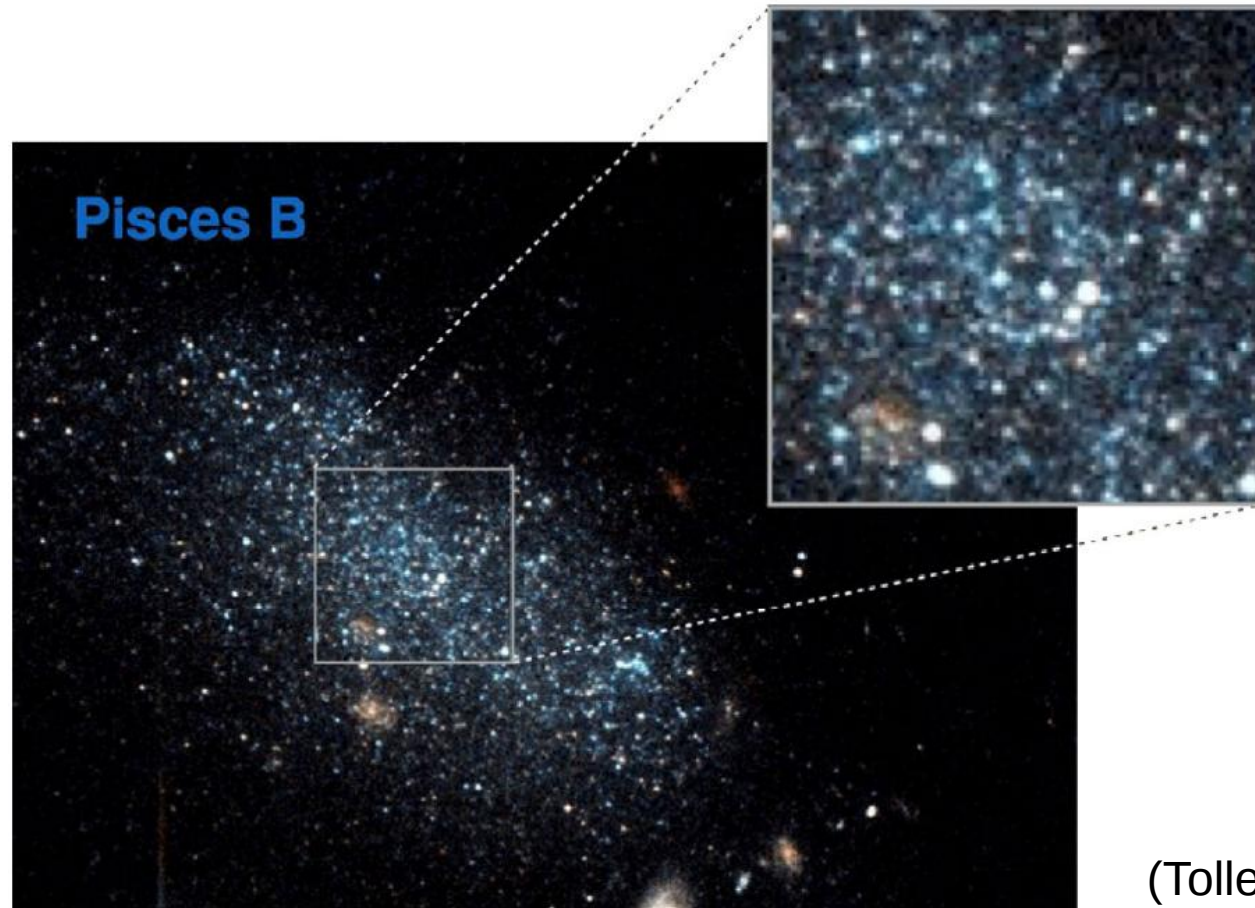
- Dark Matter (DM): 25–30% of total energy density in Universe
- Single particle? Many particles? Which ones?
  
- Two DM options:
  - “Vanilla”, standard DM: solely gravitational (+maybe weak) force
  - Non-standard DM: e.g. self-interacting → testable by astronomy

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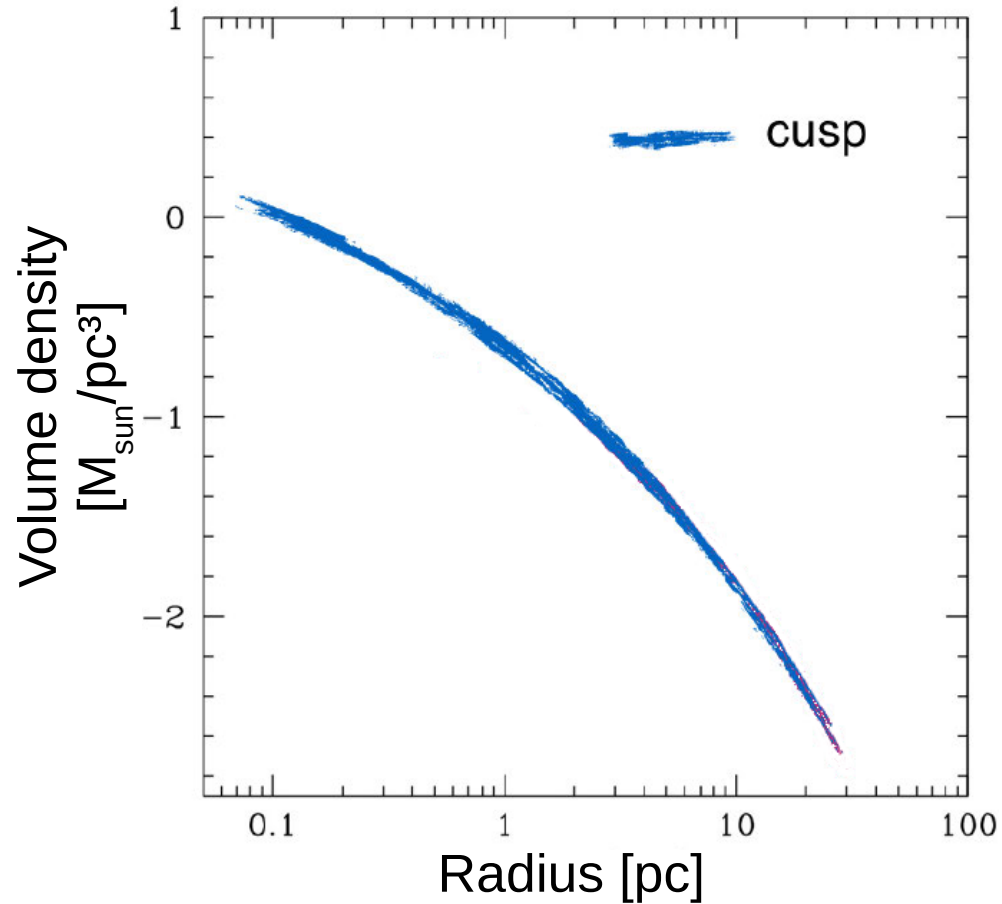
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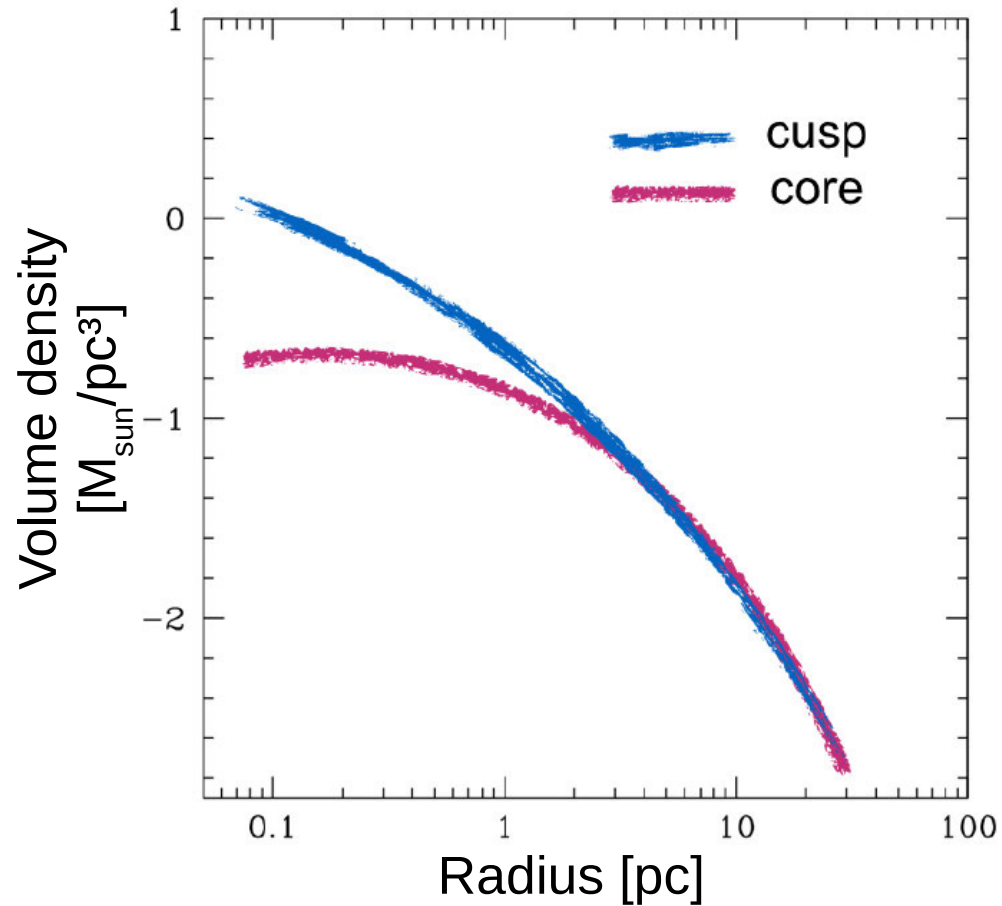
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- Two solutions:
  1. non-standard DM: near-general prediction cores universal for dwarfs
  2. DM removal by SN explosions: dependency on e.g. SF intensity→ testable!

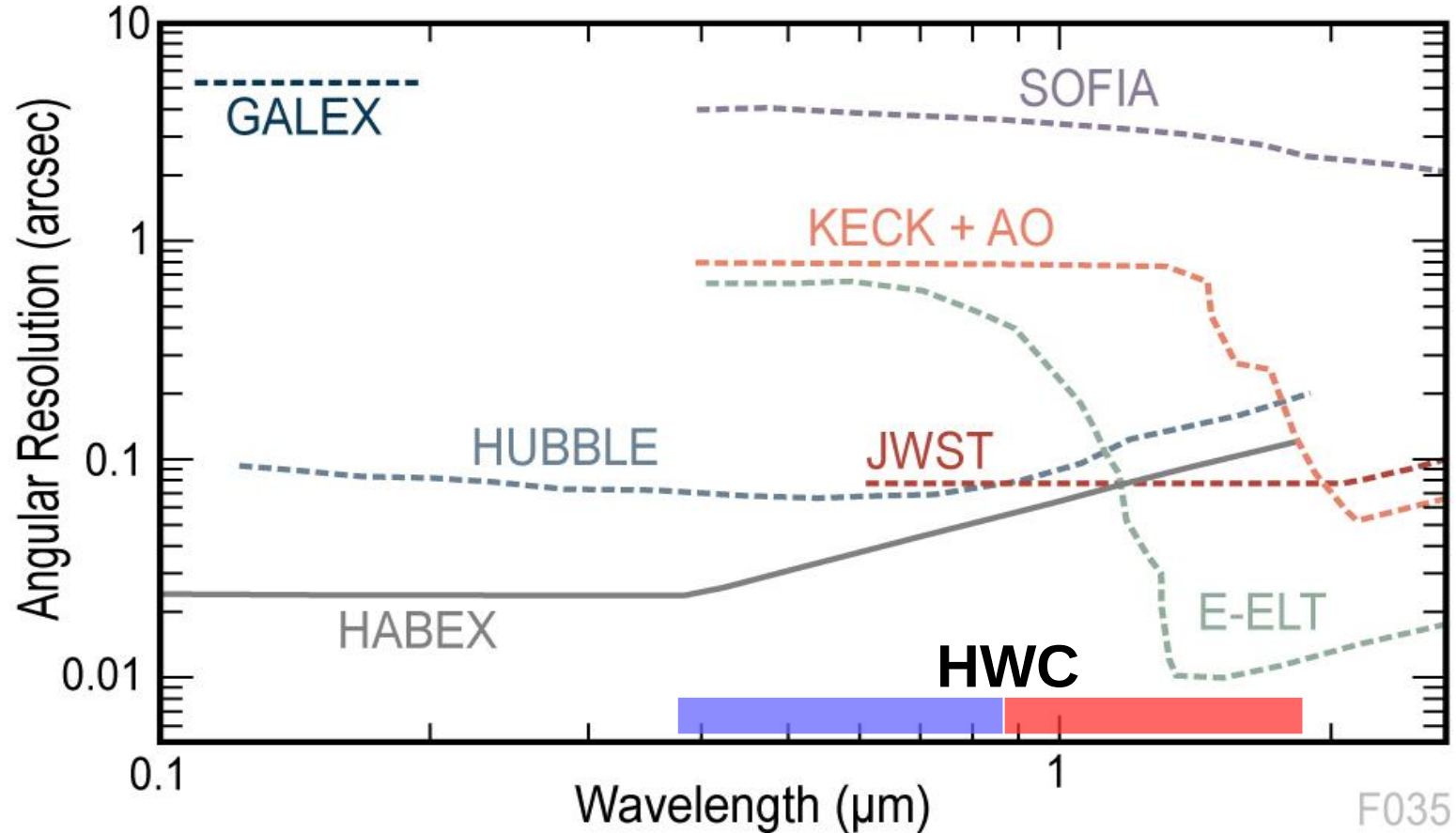
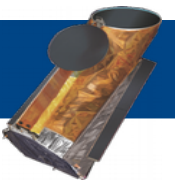




## HabEx case:

- Dwarf gal sample spanning range in mass and SF histories; Ultra-faint to “classical” dwarfs
- Tracing central potential: 30m stellar spectroscopy + HabEx 40mas/yr proper motions for stellar motions → not possible with ELTs alone
- SF histories: high-resolution very precise photometry for dwarf galaxy light profiles

# HabEx Workhorse Camera and Voyage 2050





## HabEx Workhorse Camera as an ESA contribution to HabEx

- Clean technical and managerial interface to HabEx@NASA
- All components at high technical readiness level → low risks
- Cost: 170M US\$ (FY2020, HabEx team estimate)
- *HWC fits into S-class mission contribution + matching funds from involved national agencies*



## *An ESA-led HabEx Workhorse Camera...*

...would provide essential high angular-resolution, wide-field, visible–NIR range capabilities from space not available in the 2030, enabling a diverse range of science

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...would be a low-risk, high-return contribution by ESA to NASA's HabEx mission, for the gain of Europe's astronomy and astrophysics