

# Distance Measurement

- Light echo

$$D = c \Delta t$$

- Standard ruler

$$D = L / \theta$$

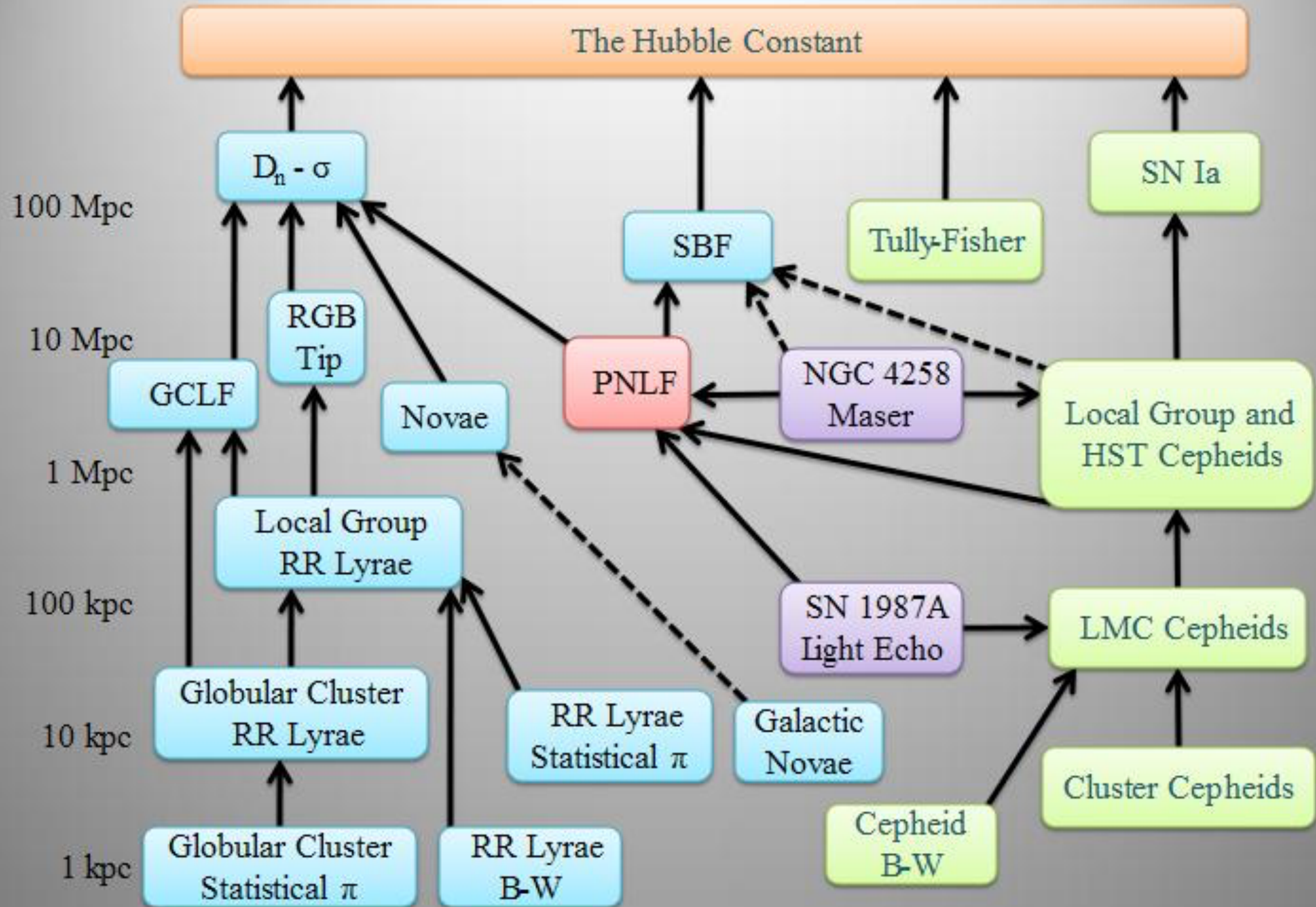
- Standard candle

$$D = \sqrt{\frac{L}{4\pi f}}$$

- Hubble expansion

$$D = \Delta v / H_0$$

# Extragalactic Distance Ladder





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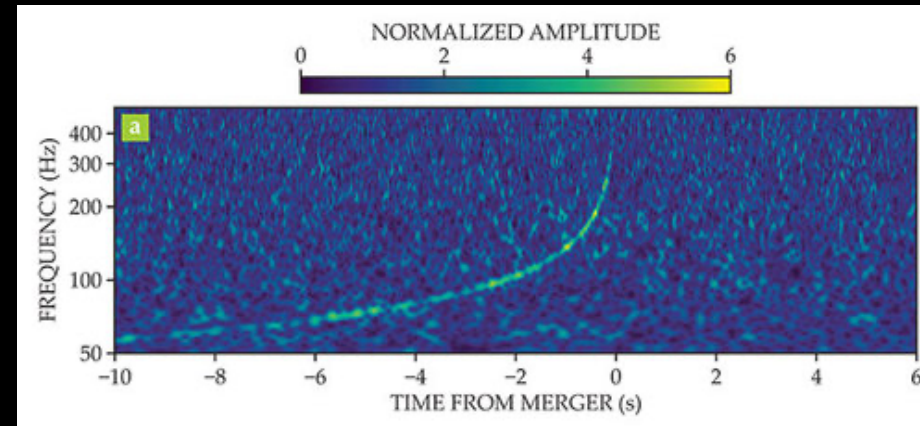
- GW “chirp” signal

$$\frac{d\Omega}{dt} = \frac{96}{5} \left( \frac{G\mathcal{M}}{c^3} \right)^{\frac{5}{3}} \Omega^{11/3}$$

$$h_{\times} = \frac{4c}{D} \left( \frac{G\mathcal{M}}{c^3} \right)^{\frac{5}{3}} \Omega^{11/3} \cos i \sin 2\Phi(t)$$

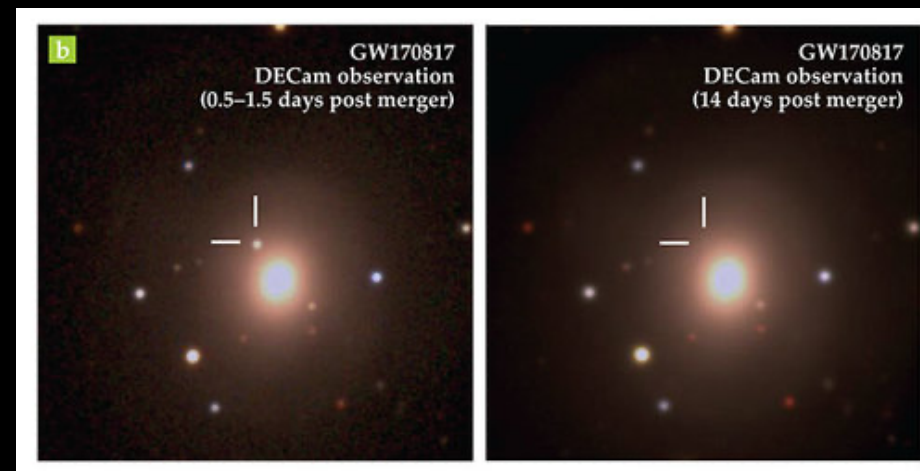
- measure  $\mathcal{M}$ ,  $h \Rightarrow$  distance  $D$  directly

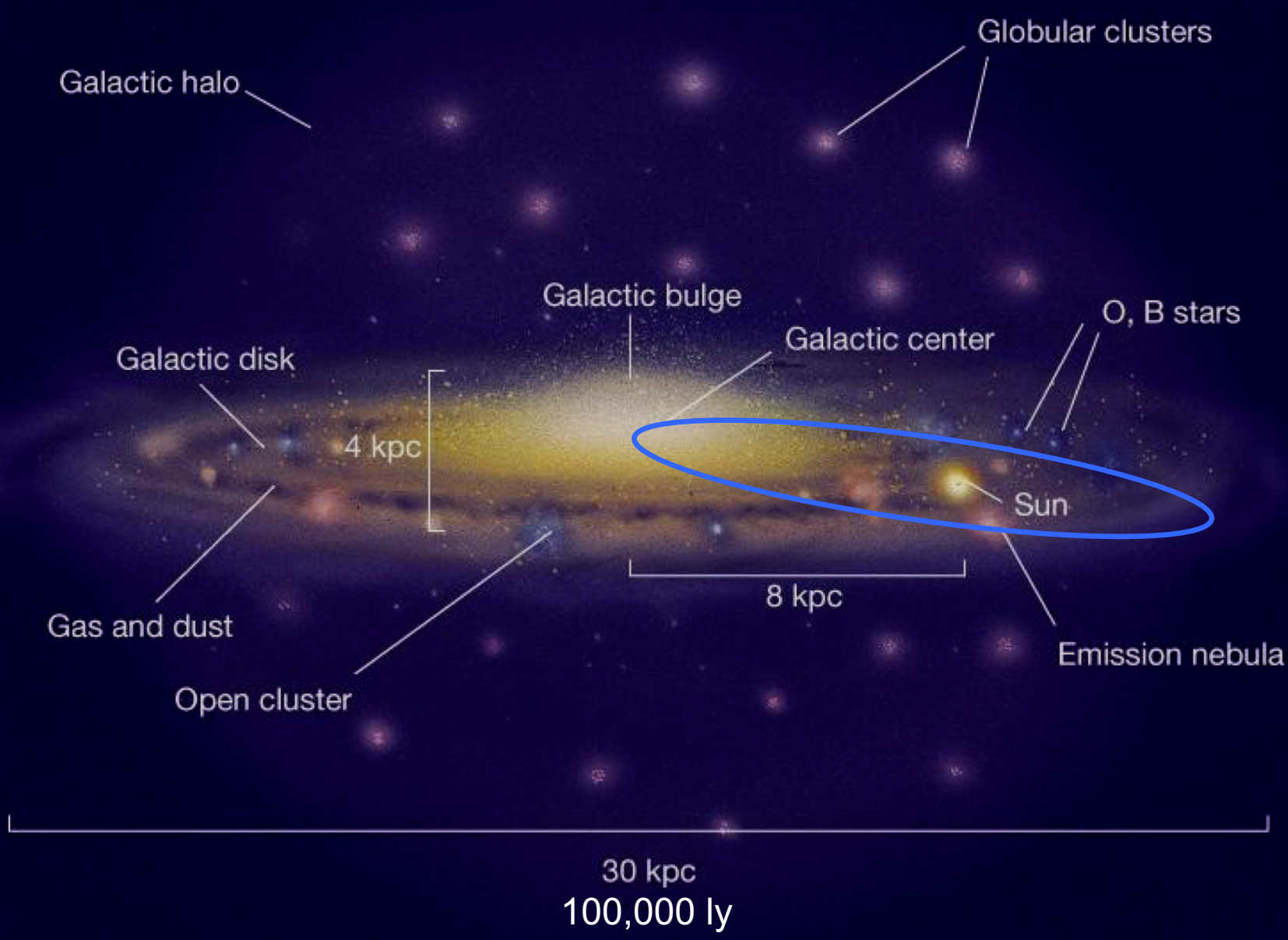
$$\mathcal{M} = \frac{(m_1 m_2)^{\frac{3}{5}}}{(m_1 + m_2)^{\frac{1}{5}}}$$



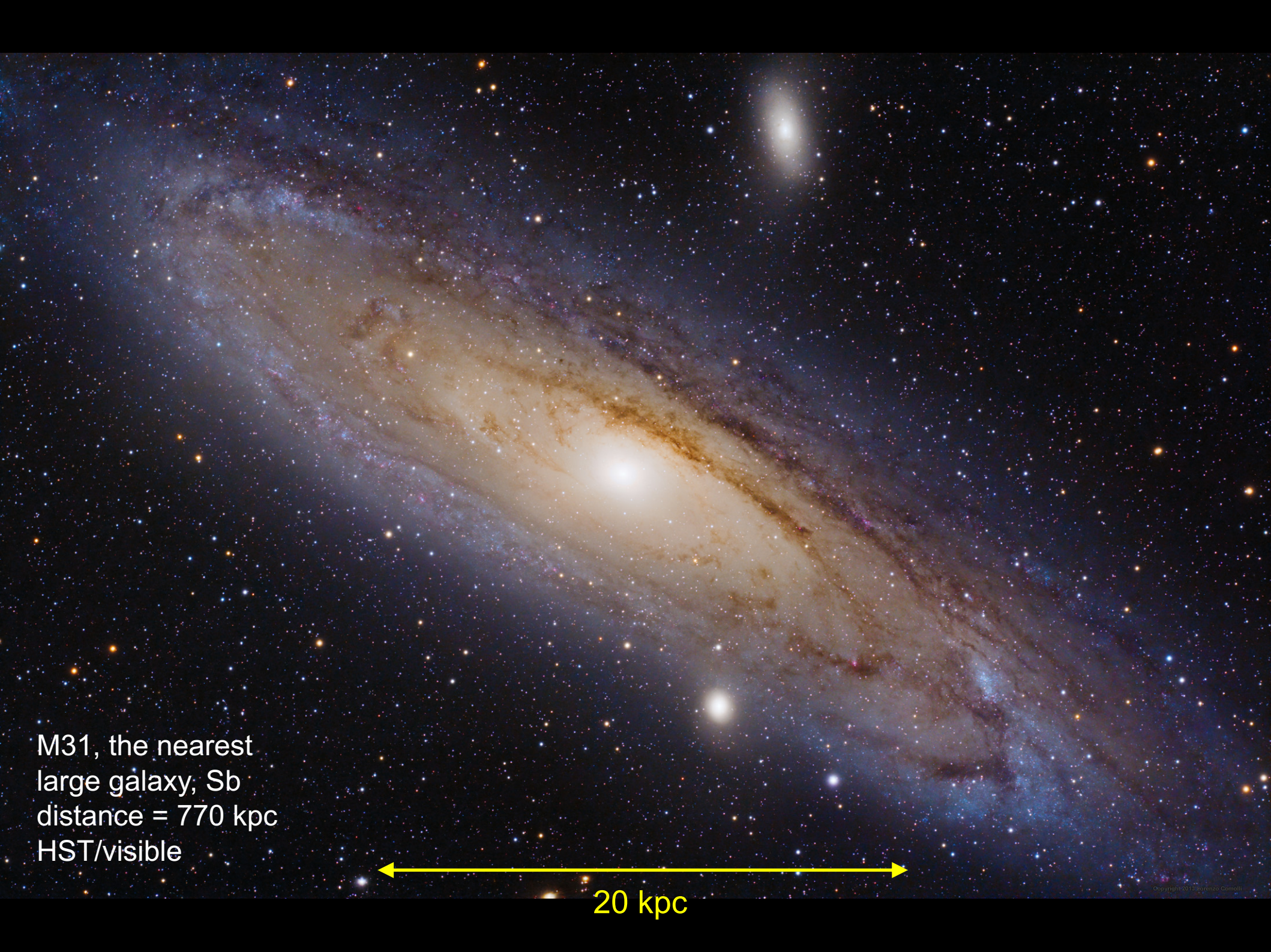
- multi-messenger astronomy

- GW170817 (NS merger) had an electromagnetic counterpart
  - $\Rightarrow$  redshift measurement
  - $\Rightarrow$  measurement of  $H_0$









M31, the nearest  
large galaxy; Sb  
distance = 770 kpc  
HST/visible

← 20 kpc →

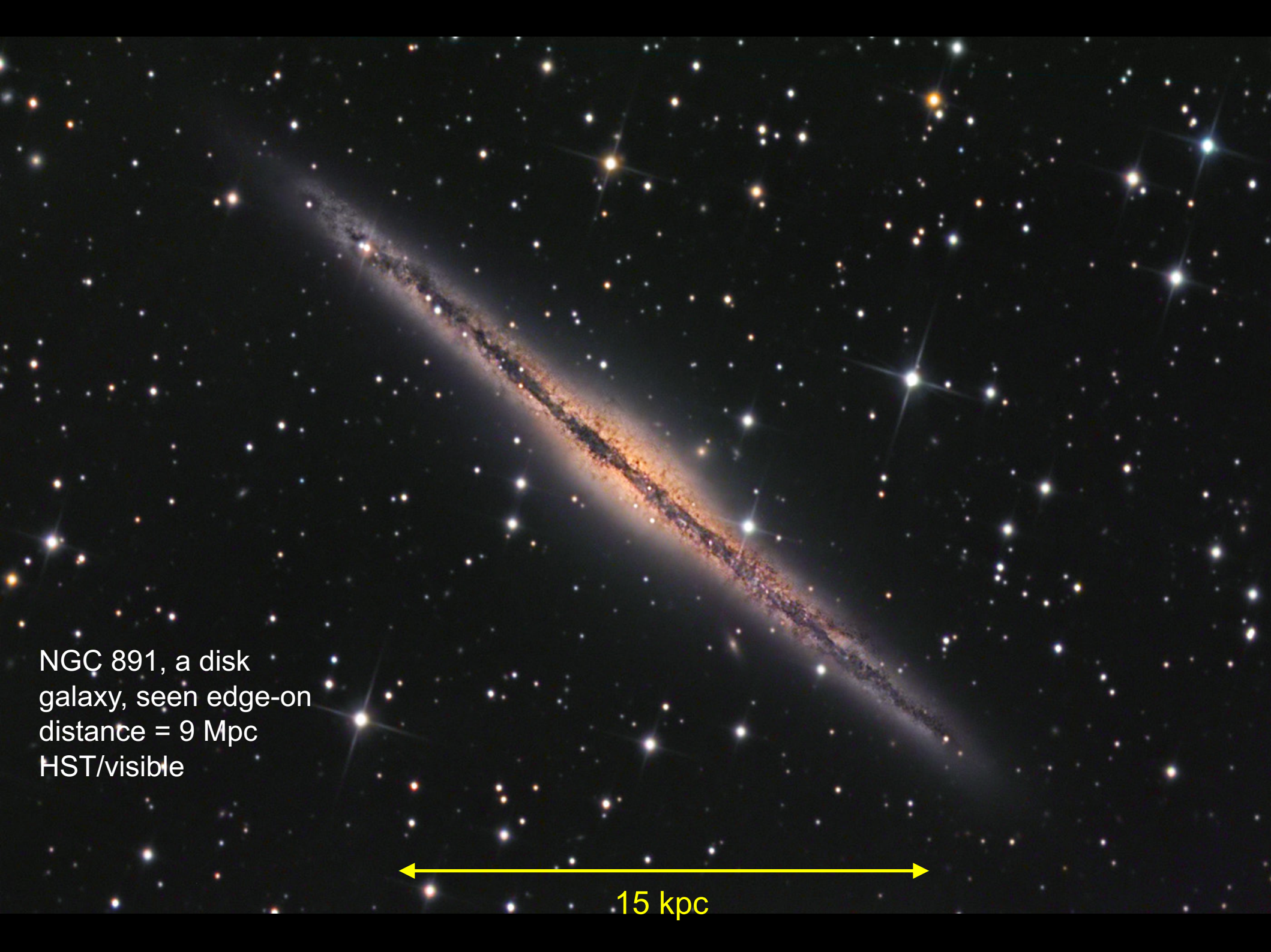


Galaxy M74, Sc  
distance = 9 Mpc  
Calar Alto  
Observatory, Spain  
visible light



10 kpc





NGC 891, a disk galaxy, seen edge-on  
distance = 9 Mpc  
HST/visible

← 15 kpc →

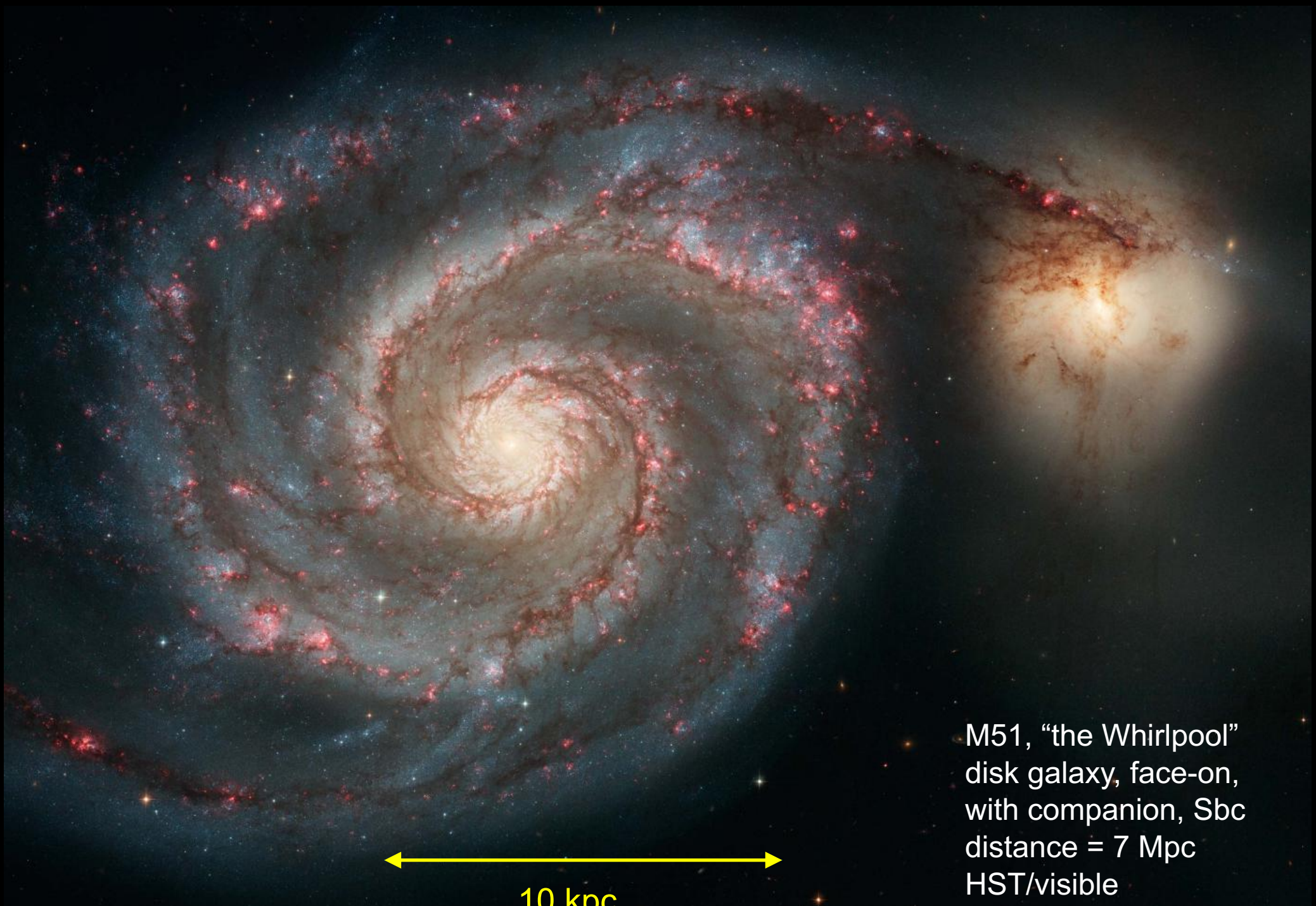
Sombrero Galaxy • M104



NGC 4594, a disk galaxy, seen almost edge-on, Sa  
distance = 9 Mpc  
HST/visible







M51, "the Whirlpool"  
disk galaxy, face-on,  
with companion, Sbc  
distance = 7 Mpc  
HST/visible

10 kpc



# Barred Spiral Galaxy NGC 1300

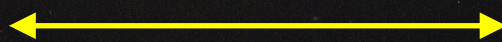


NGC 1300, a barred-spiral galaxy, seen almost face-on, SBc distance = 19 Mpc  
HST/visible

← 10 kpc →

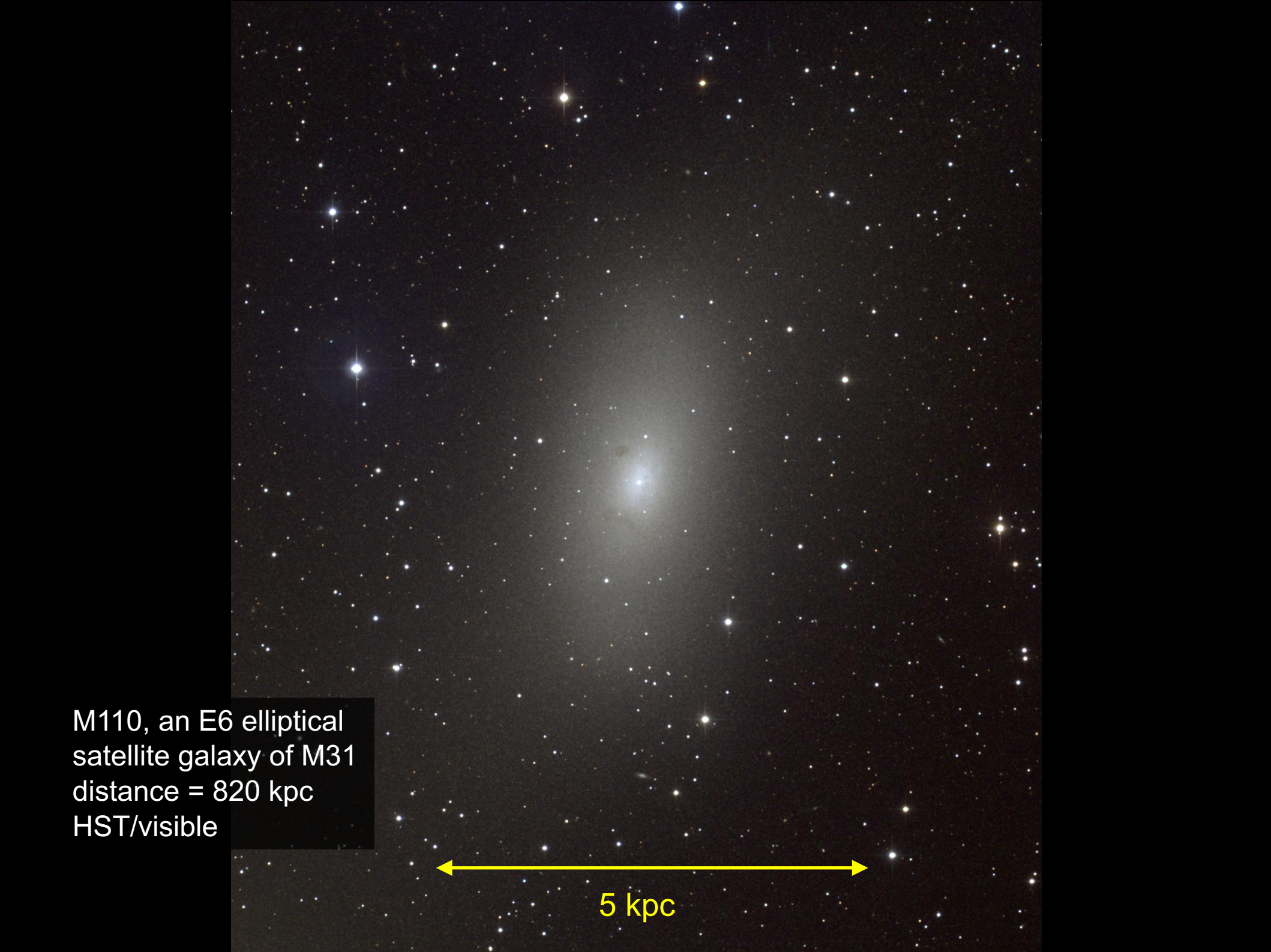


M110, an E1 elliptical  
galaxy in Virgo, E1  
distance = 11 Mpc  
HST/visible



10 kpc





M110, an E6 elliptical  
satellite galaxy of M31  
distance = 820 kpc  
HST/visible

5 kpc

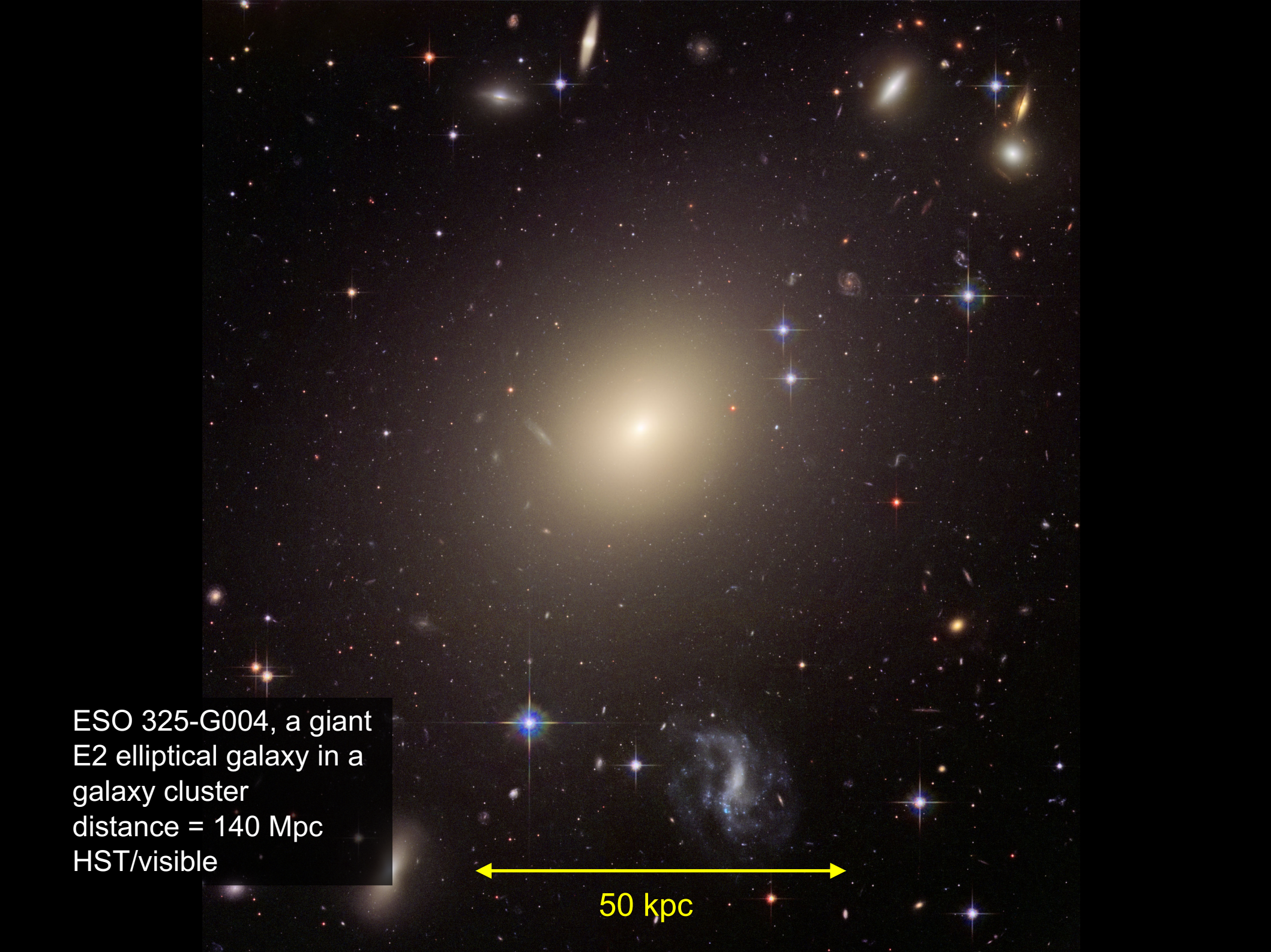


M87, a giant E0  
elliptical galaxy in the  
Virgo cluster  
distance = 16 Mpc  
HST/visible



20 kpc

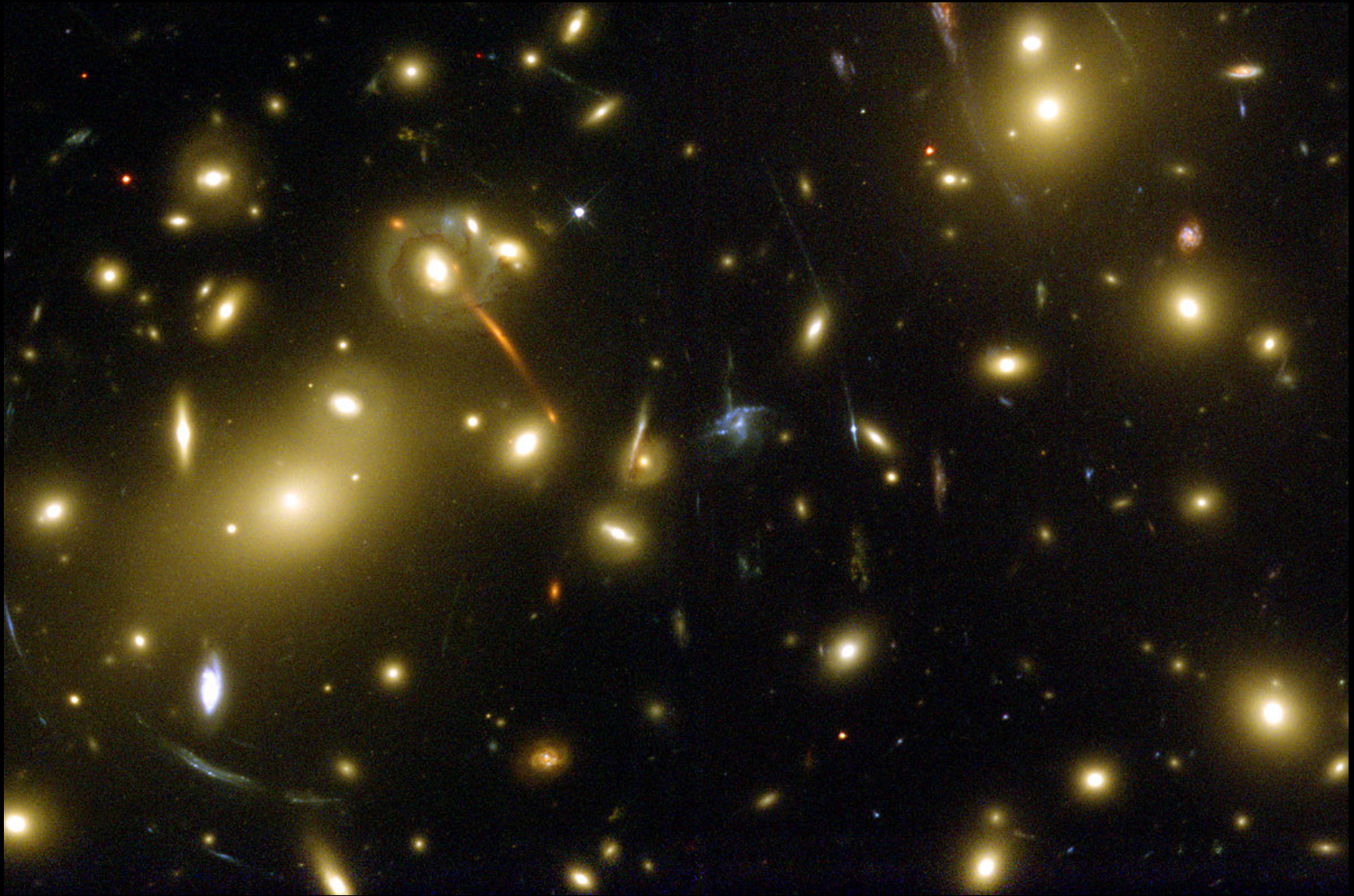




ESO 325-G004, a giant  
E2 elliptical galaxy in a  
galaxy cluster  
distance = 140 Mpc  
HST/visible

50 kpc

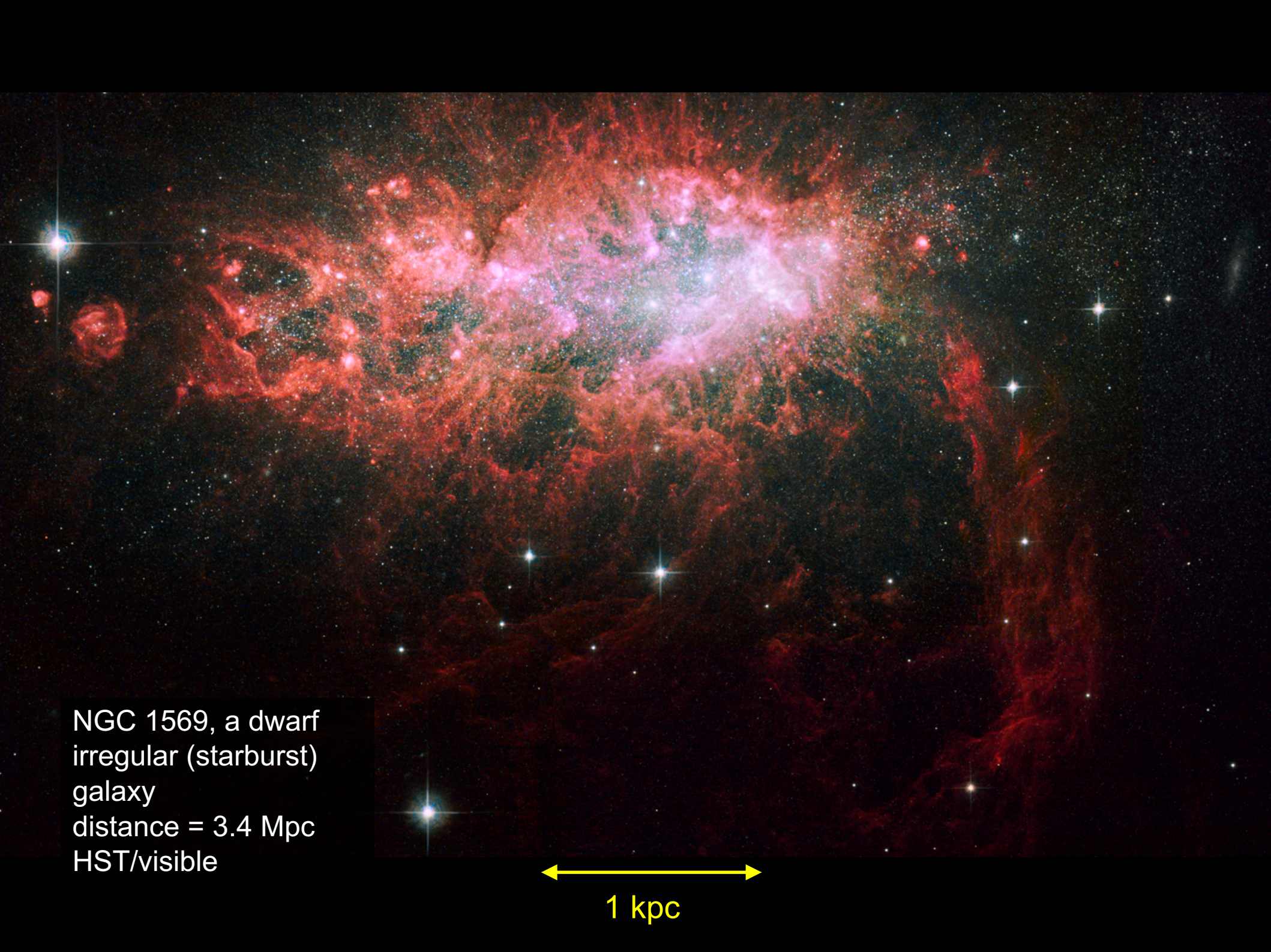




Abell 2218, a large  
galaxy cluster  
distance 700 Mpc  
HST/visible



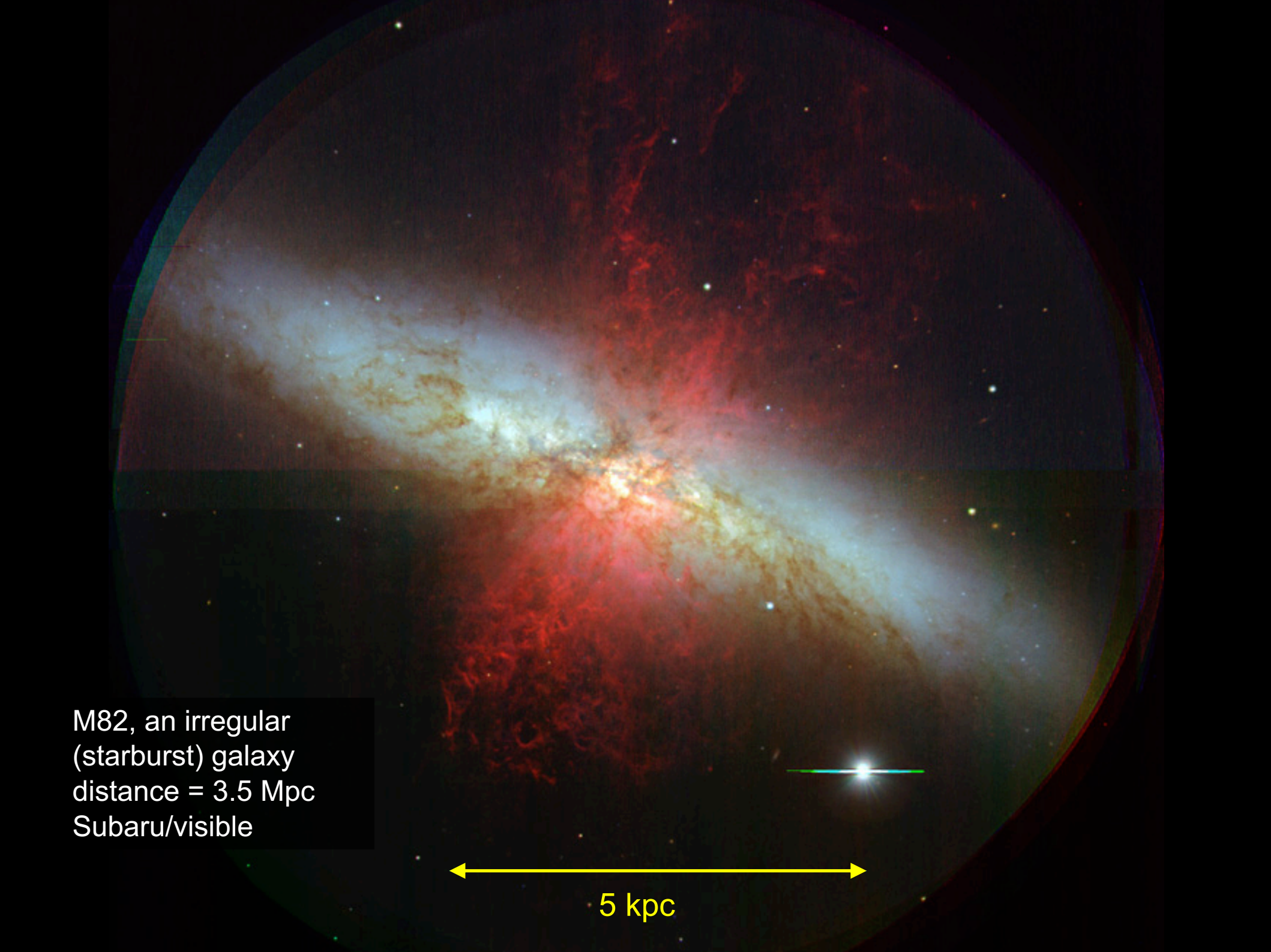




NGC 1569, a dwarf  
irregular (starburst)  
galaxy  
distance = 3.4 Mpc  
HST/visible

1 kpc





M82, an irregular  
(starburst) galaxy  
distance = 3.5 Mpc  
Subaru/visible

5 kpc

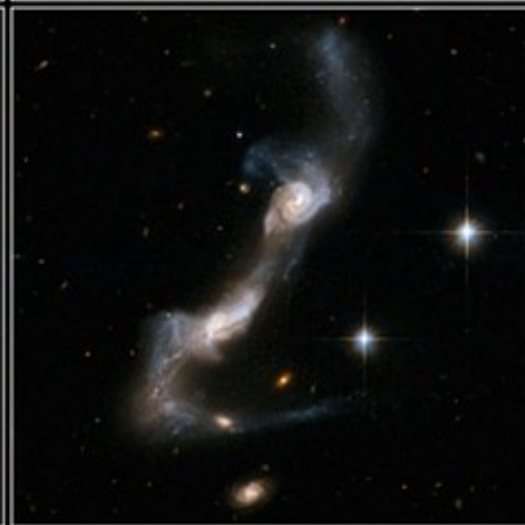


M82 and M81 (Sab),  
on a larger scale  
distance  $\sim 10$  Mpc  
HST/visible



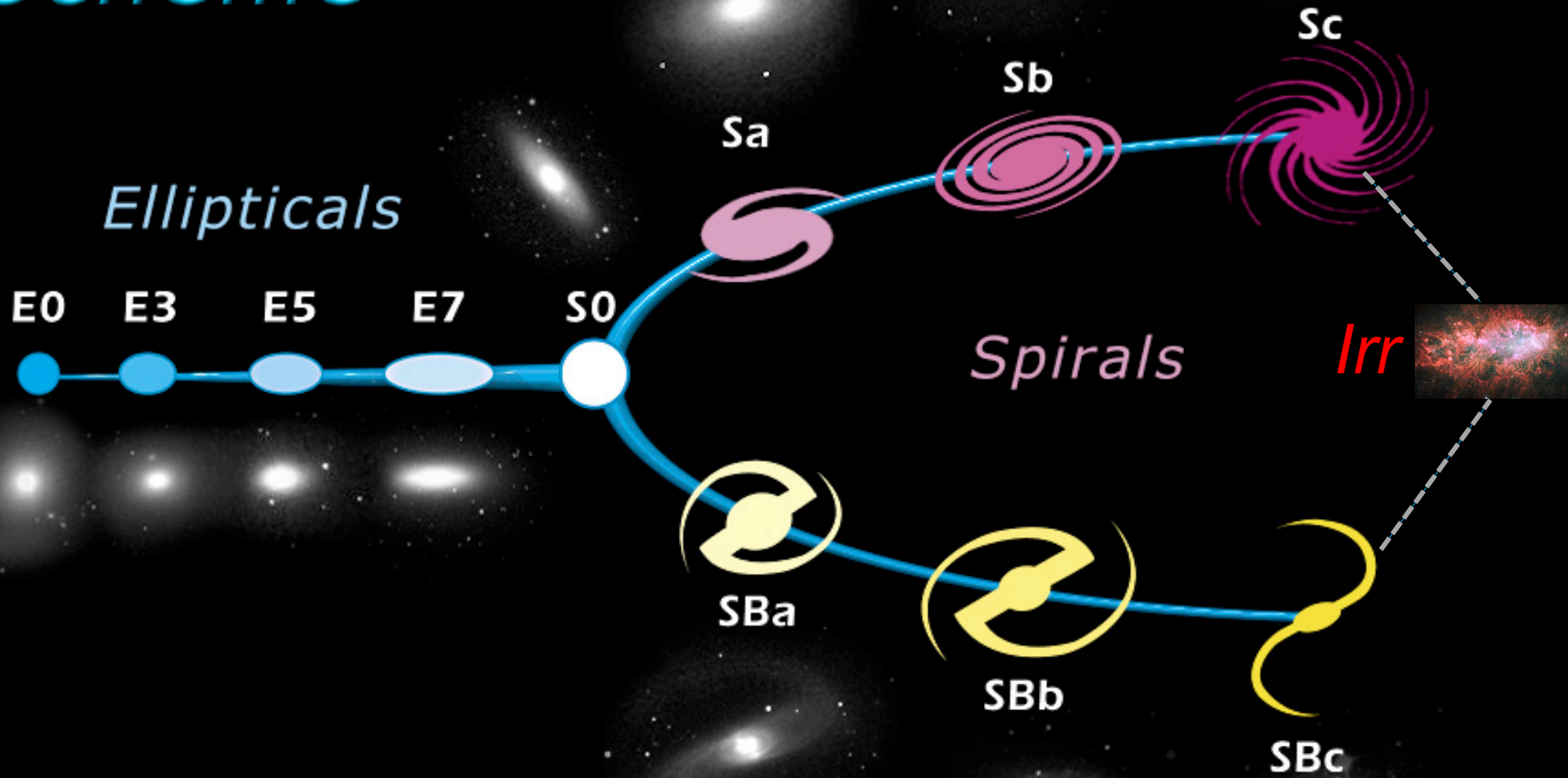
50 kpc







# Edwin Hubble's Classification Scheme



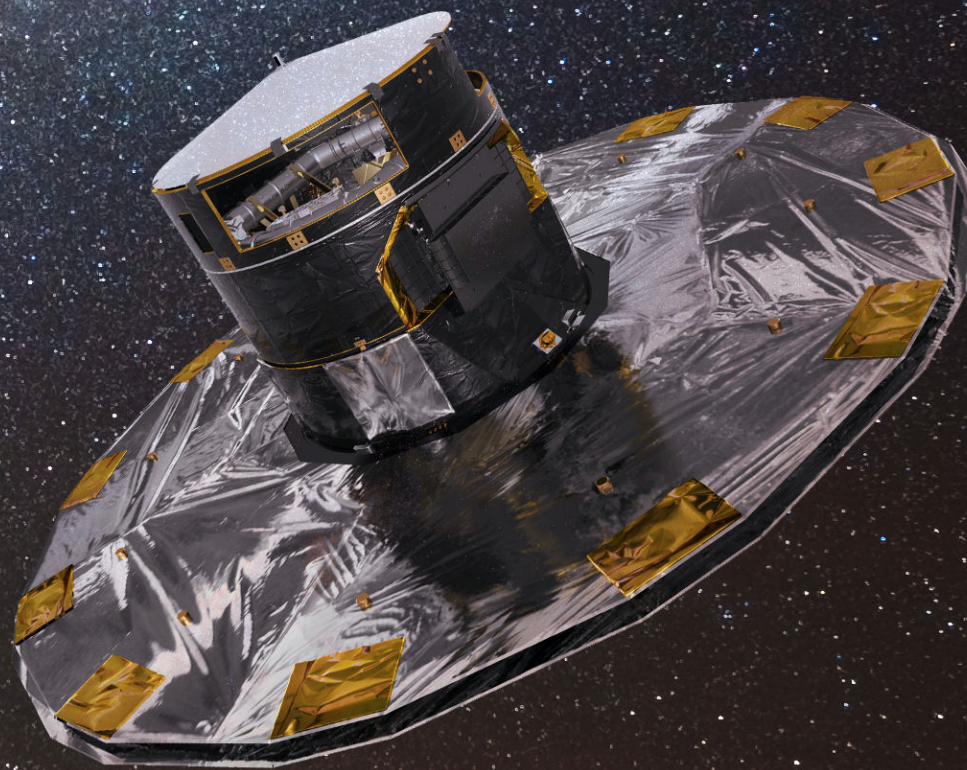


# Stellar Properties

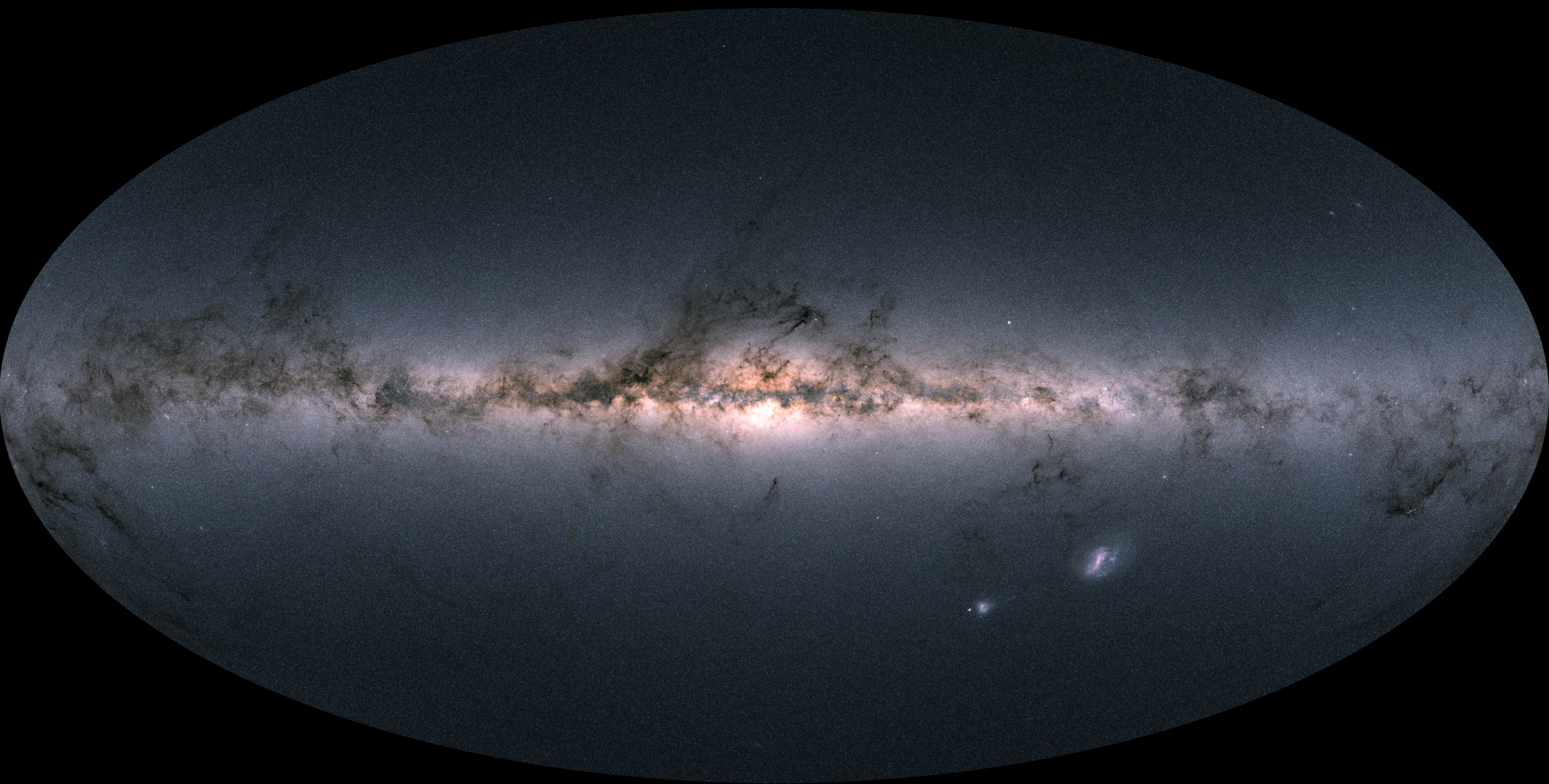
- positions and velocities – astrometry
  - parallax, proper motion, radial velocity
  - GAIA: 6D information on 3 billion stars to distances  $> 10$  kpc



# GAIA









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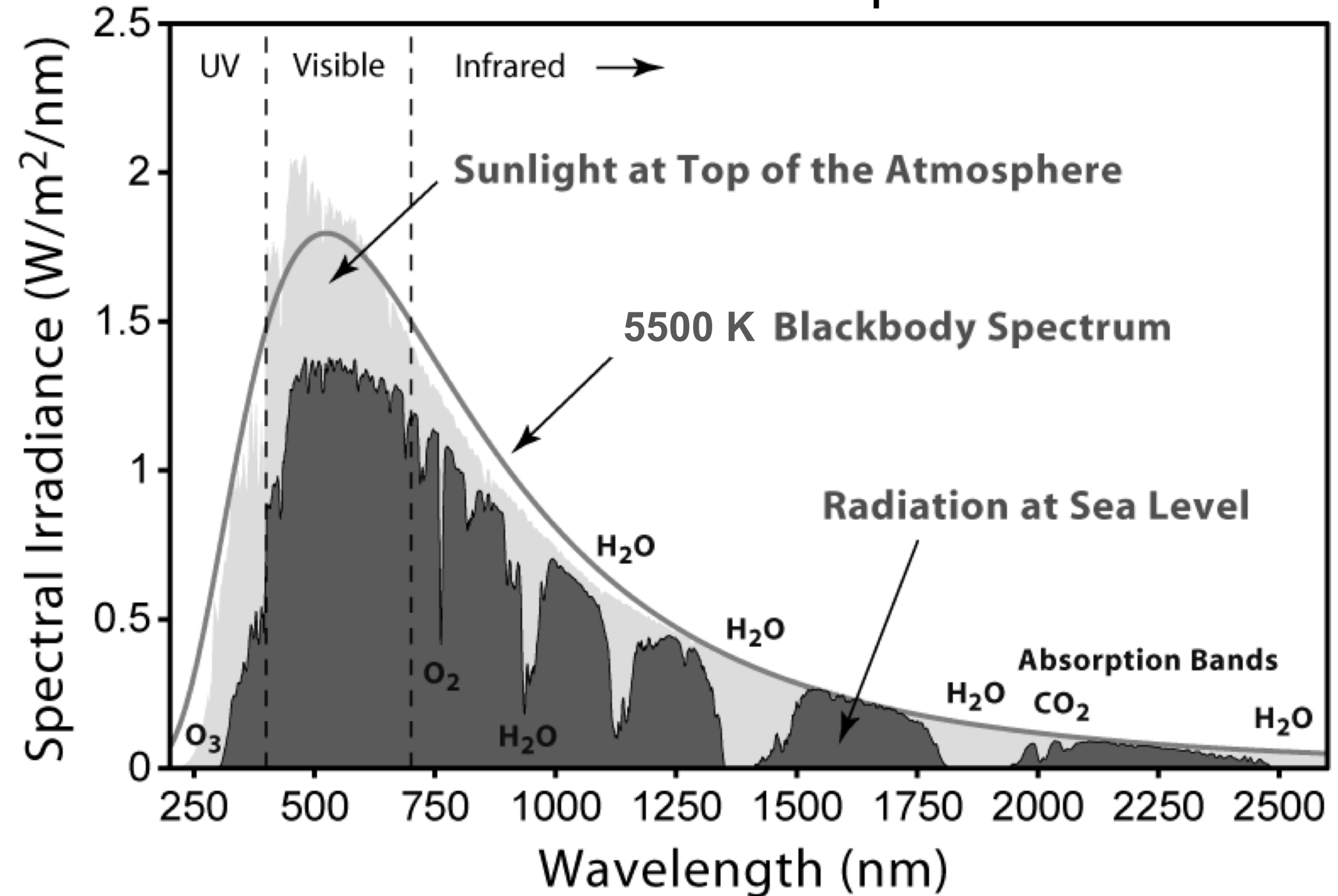
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- luminosities

- inverse-square law

- $f = \frac{L}{4\pi D^2}$



# Solar Radiation Spectrum





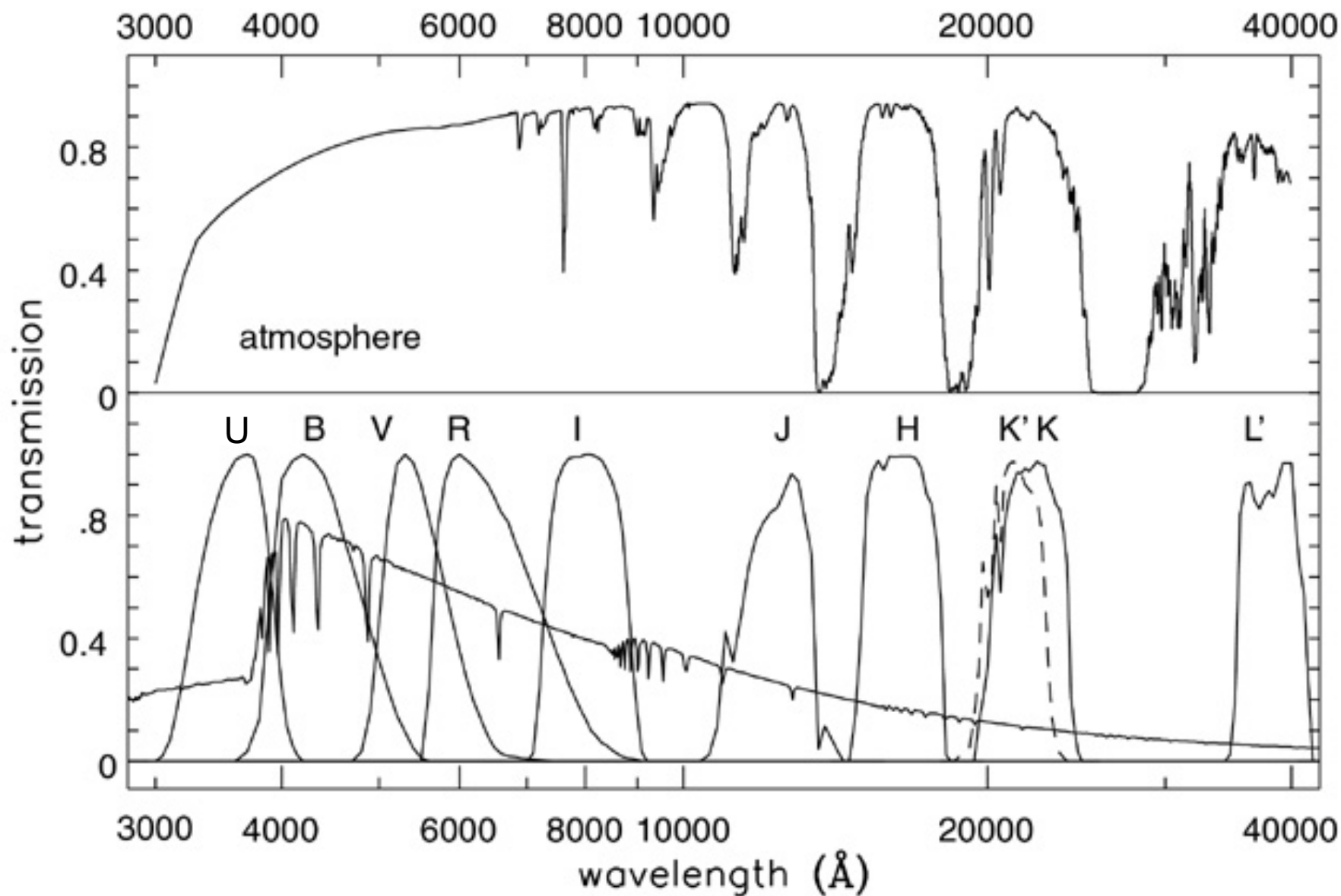


Fig 1.7 (M. Bessell) 'Galaxies in the Universe' Sparke/Gallagher CUP 2007



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  - inverse-square law
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  - filters – photometry
    - $f_C = \int f(\lambda) t_C(\lambda) d\lambda$
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    - $m_1 - m_2 = -2.5 \log_{10} \left( \frac{f_1}{f_2} \right) = 2.5 \log_{10} \left( \frac{f_2}{f_1} \right)$
    - $m - M = 5 \log_{10} D(\text{pc}) - 5$
  - colors
    - $U - V \equiv m_U - m_V = 2.5 \log_{10} \left( \frac{f_V}{f_U} \right)$ , etc.



# Stellar Properties

- positions and velocities – astrometry
- luminosities
- temperatures
  - “effective” blackbody temperature
  - colors
  - spectra
- composition
- radii
- masses



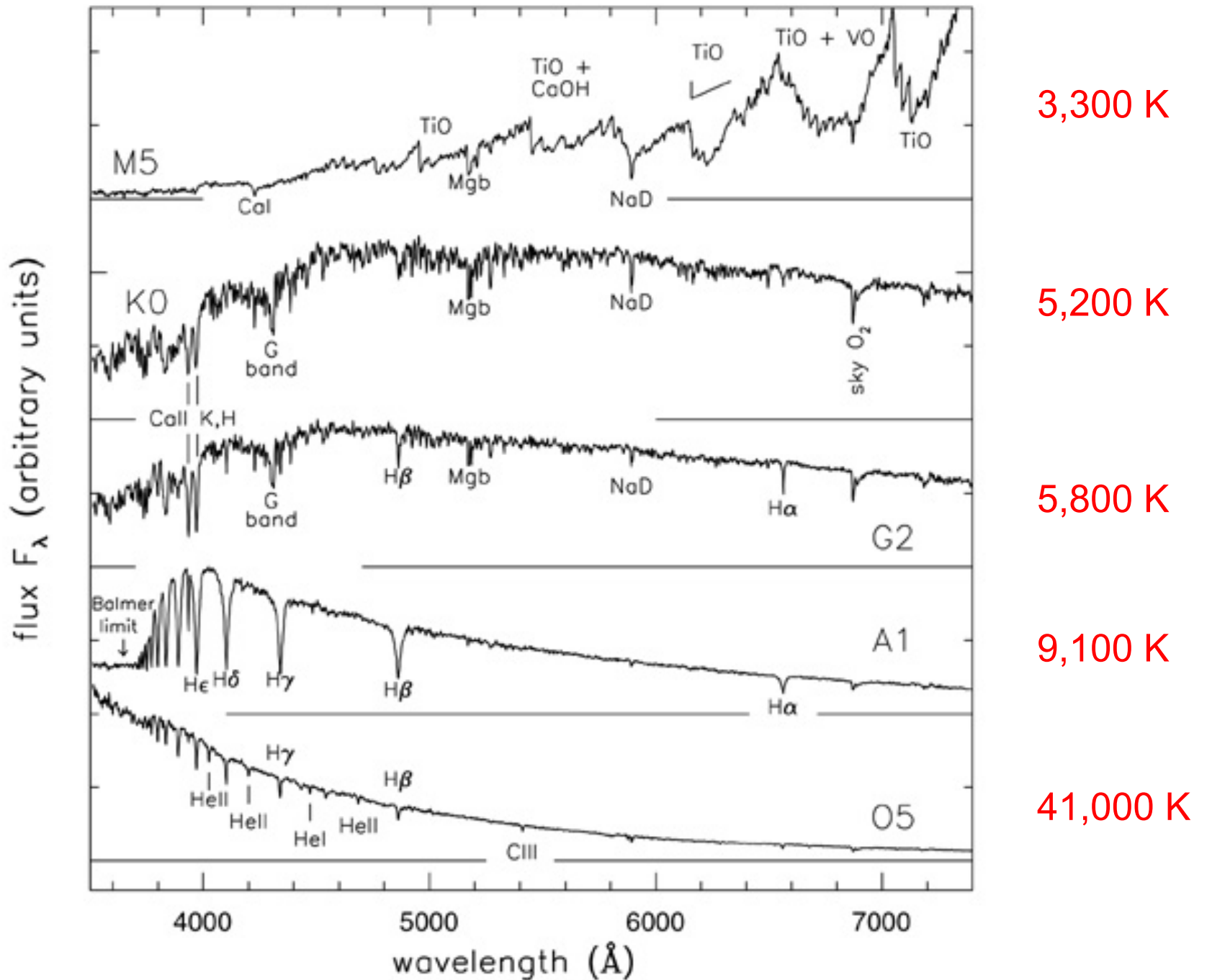


Fig 1.1 'Galaxies in the Universe' Sparke/Gallagher CUP 2007