### Space Astronomy

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# Why?



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History of the Space Telescope\*

Lyman Spitzer, Jr Princeton University Observatory, Princeton, New Jersey, USA (Received 1978 October 18)

1946: discussed the advantages of having an space telescope

• 1957: Sputnik 1



• 1958: NASA



- 1962: Ariel 1 (British); solar observations in the UV and X-rays
- 1962: Orbiting Solar Observatory (NASA); UV, X-ray, and gamma-ray solar spectra
- Orbiting Astronomical Observatory OAO (NASA)
- 1966: OAO-1: failure
- 1968: OAO-2: UV spectra
- 1970: OAO-B: failure



- 1972-1981: OAO-3 (Copernicus), UV and X-ray
- 1978: NASA+ESA: International Ultraviolet Obs.

### Hubble Space Telescope

- 1970: 3m space telescope with launch for 1979
- 1974: budget cut, then 2,4m telescope, drop
   1,5m testing space telescope, include ESA (15%)
- 1978: approved by congress, aimed for launch in 1983. Perkin-Elmer in charge of the mirror, but there were large delays and price increased.
- Launched on April 24, 1990.
- Original cost estimate: 400 million
- Final cost: 2,5 billion

Hubble PSF with flawed optics







The Hubble Space Telescope orbits Earth. Its position above the atmosphere allows it an undistorted view of space. Hubble can observe infrared and ultraviolet light as well as visible light.

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# Hubble

- 2,5 arcmin
- 342 separate exposures
- 10 days
- About 3000 galaxies





# HST XDF

- 2,3 x 2 '
- 2 million seconds
- 23 days
- About 5500 galaxies

# Observations made by HST of supernovae contributed to research on the expansion of the universe



Fig. 6. HST discovery of distant Supernovae.

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#### NEW HUBBLE SPACE TELESCOPE OBSERVATIONS OF HEAVY ELEMENTS IN FOUR METAL-POOR STARS\*

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### X-ray astronomy





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### Primeira imagem em raios-X do Sol (1965)

<u>1965ApJ...142.1274G</u>

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

SOLAR X-RAY IMAGES OBTAINED USING GRAZING INCIDENCE OPTICS\*

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EVIDENCE FOR X RAYS FROM SOURCES OUTSIDE THE SOLAR SYSTEM\*



Sco X-1 and the isotropic X-ray background



FIG. 2. Chart showing the portion of sky explored by the counters.

#### X-RAY PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE SUN TAKEN BY A ROCKET-BORNE X-RAY TELESCOPE ON 8 JUNE 1968



#### 4 MICRON ALUMINIZED MYLAR FILTER



SIMULTANEOUS Ha PHOTOGRAPH (COURTESY OF ESSA)

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# Skylab images (1973)



Fig. 4 X-ray pictures of the Sun during a solar rotation

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### AN X-RAY SCAN OF THE GALACTIC PLANE FROM UHURU

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This is the first of four Letters reporting preliminary results from the first of NASA's small astronomy satellites, *Uhuru*. The satellite is designed to conduct a survey of the X-ray sky in the 2–20-keV energy range to an ultimate sensitivity of about  $5 \times 10^{-4}$  the flux of the Crab Nebula. In this first Letter we report on a scan of the galactic plane in which we see twenty-nine discrete sources, of which seven have not been reported previously.



### Einstein Observatory (1978), NASA





#### 60 cm X-ray telescope

Fig. 7 An X-ray picture of the Cas A Supernova Exp Astron (2009) 25:143–156



Fig. 8 The Crab Nebula and its Pulsar in X-rays

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Einstein Resolução ~ 5"

Stellar X-ray sources in M-31

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#### HIGH-RESOLUTION X-RAY SPECTROSCOPY OF M87 WITH THE EINSTEIN OBSERVATORY: THE DETECTION OF AN O VIII EMISSION LINE<sup>1</sup>

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FIG. 2.—Spectrum of M87 in the vicinity of the L $\alpha$  line of O VIII. The upper curve shows the count rate versus wavelength corrected for exposure. The exposure is shown in the lower curve. The redshifted wavelength of the line is 19.05 Å.



FIG. 3.—Histogram of counts versus position in the detector corrected for image motion showing the projection of the astigmatic image of the source formed by X-rays in the O VIII L $\alpha$ line and in the line plus continuum (mainly background). The scale is ~1 mm per arcmin on the sky, and the expected width of the M87 image is ~4 mm.

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## ROSAT (Germany + USA + UK), 1990-99

- 84cm X-ray telescope
- X-ray all sky survey, over 150 000 objects
- Detailed morphology of supernova remnants and cluster of galaxies
   FIRST X-RAY IMAGE OF A G
- Detection of isolated neutron stars
- Discovery of X-ray emission from comets



### **Star formation history of Canis Major R1**

#### I. Wide-Field X-ray study of the young stellar population\*

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A schematic diagram of the surface of TW Hydrae, illustrating where strong X-ray emission might arise. Accreting material can produce winds and shocks at the stellar photosphere; some parameters are specified. Credit: N. Brickhouse, et al, 2010

Fig. 2. ROSAT PSPC X-ray contours and fields-of-view superimposed on a digitized POSS(R) image of the CMa R1 region. Grey contours show the same *IRAS-ISIS* data at 100  $\mu$ m as Fig. 1. The observations of Field 1 are indicated by yellow contours and of Field 2 by black contours. The white crosses indicate the association members identified in the optical survey by Shevchenko et al. (1999), within the area outlined by a white rectangular box.

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© Astronomy, the Cosmic Perspective meter long and between 0.6 and 1.2 meters in diameter.



in CDFS

### Chandra deep field image One-million-second exposure

(mostly AGNs)



# Tycho Supernova remnant in x-ray (Chandra)



# Crab Nebula observed over several months © Chandra



Charge transfer reactions in comets





### **Rapid X-ray flaring from the direction** of the supermassive black hole at the

### **Galactic Centre**

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Figure 1 Surface plots of the 2–8 keV counts within a 20"  $\times$  20" field centred on Sqr A\* at two epochs. The data were taken with Chandra ACIS-I on (a) 21 September 1999 and (b) 26-27 October 2000. The effective exposure times were 40.3 ks and 35.4 ks, respectively. The spatial resolution is 0.5" per pixel. An angle of 1" on the sky subtends a projected distance of about 0.04 pc at the galactocentric distance of 8.0 kpc (ref. 30). The



### Gamma ray Astronomy



# The sky at energies > 1 GeV based on five years of data NASA's Fermi



# X-ray/gamma-ray bubbles of the Milky Way (© Fermi)





Gamma Ray Pulsar in the CTA 1 supernova remnant © Fermi



Cycle of pulsed gamma rays from the <u>Vela pulsar</u> © Fermi

### NASA's Swift satellite observed the 500<sup>th</sup> GRB in 2010 (still counting)



### **GRB** from hypernovae





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#### Review

### Future of Space Astronomy: A global Road Map for the next decades

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#### **ASTROPHYSICS MISSIONS: future**

