



Astro 500



Techniques of Modern Observational Astrophysics

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Lecture Outline

- 5. Cutting-edge and future OIR instruments
 - a. Ground-based instruments on 10m telescopes
 - i. MUSE, VIRUS, MOS
 - b. Space-based instruments: JWST
 - c. Ground vs space
 - i. Backgrounds
 - ✓ Why build bigger telescopes?
 - d. Ground-based instruments on 30-100m telescopes:
 - i. AO-driven designs
 - ii. Specific examples of TMT instrumentation
 - e. Unexplored options: a brief list

Cutting-edge Instruments

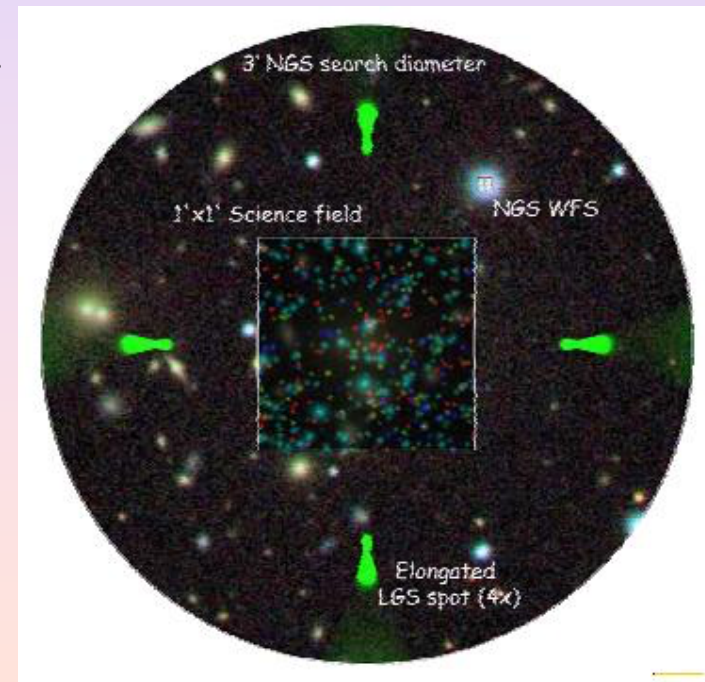
Ground-based instruments on 10m telescopes

- State-of-the-art spectroscopic instruments
 - MUSE
 - VIRUS
 - KMOS
- Common themes:
 - object multiplexing
 - instrument multiplexing

Cutting-edge Instruments

MUSE

- Science goals
 - Detailed study of high-redshift galaxies, structure formation, discovery.
- Technical approach
 - Replicate 24 modest-resolution spectrographs fed with advanced (catadioptric) images slicers.
 - Premium on image quality and information.
 - Ground-layer AO (GLAO) assisted.
- Instrument capabilities
 - VLT 8m
 - Two scales:
 - 1 arcmin² FoV, (0.04 arcsec² elements)
 - 56 arcsec² FoV, (6.3x10⁻³ arcsec²)
 - integrally sampled
 - 0.465-0.93 nm range (one shot)
 - ~2000 spectral elements (R~3000)
 - $\varepsilon \sim 0.24$



Bacon et al. '04

Cutting-edge Instruments

MUSE

- The instrument - wow!

24 spectrographs
6 stacks of 4

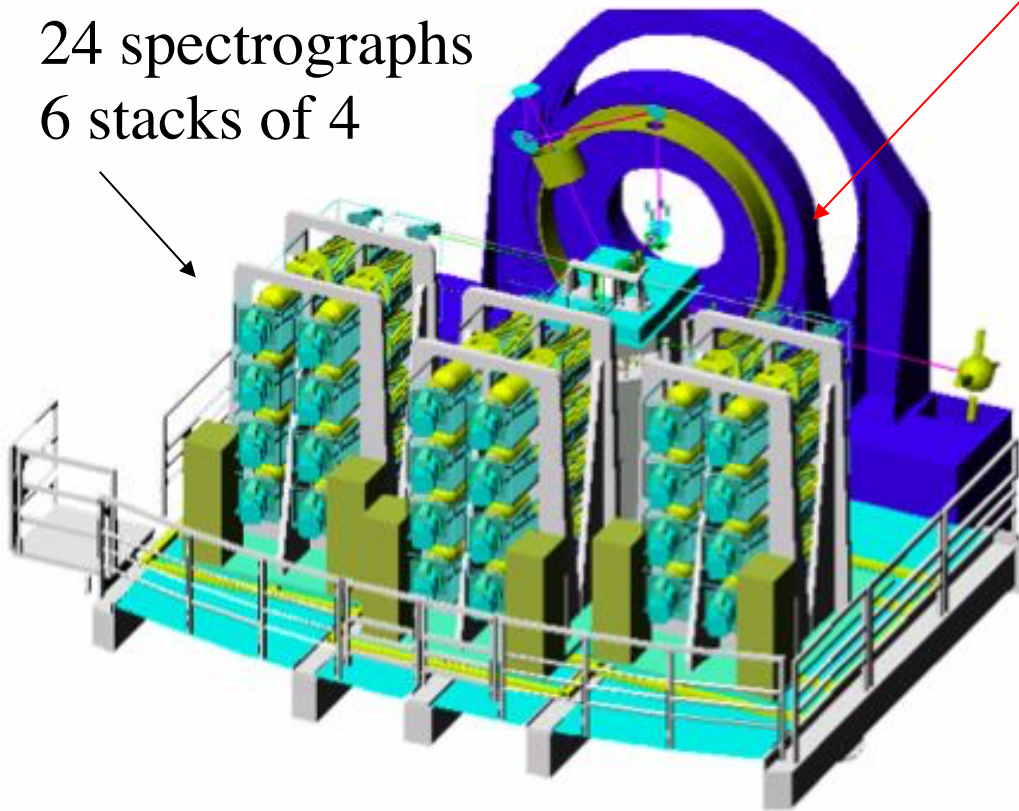
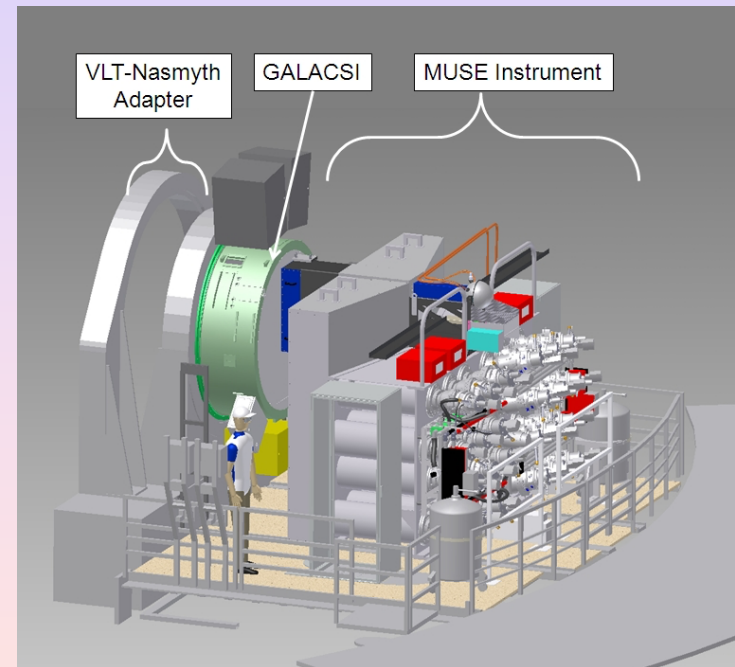


Figure 3-2: MUSE instrument installed at the VLT Nasmyth platform

Light path
from telescope

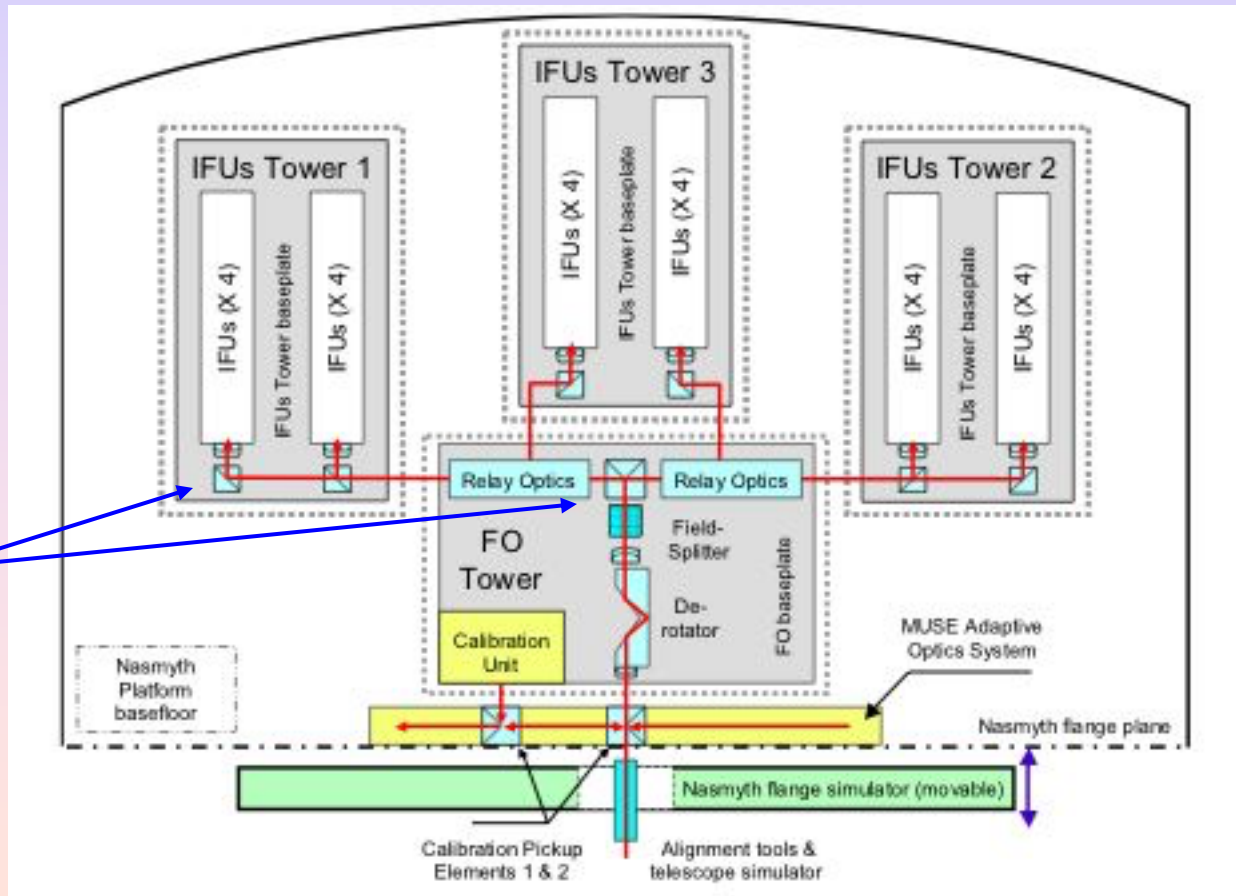


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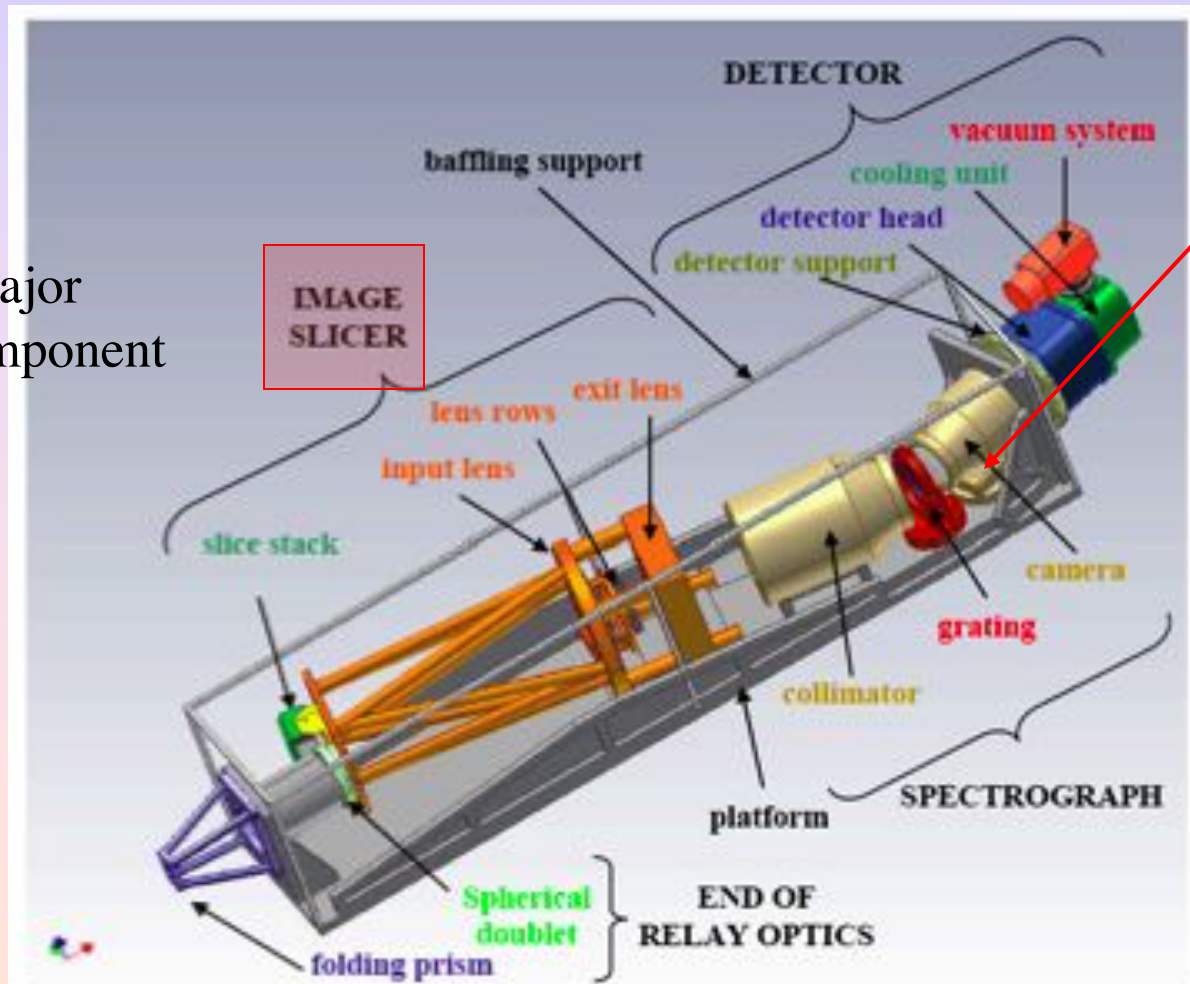
Cutting-edge Instruments

MUSE

- Slicer + spectrograph unit

Articulated camera
for VPH gratings

Slicer is major
optical component

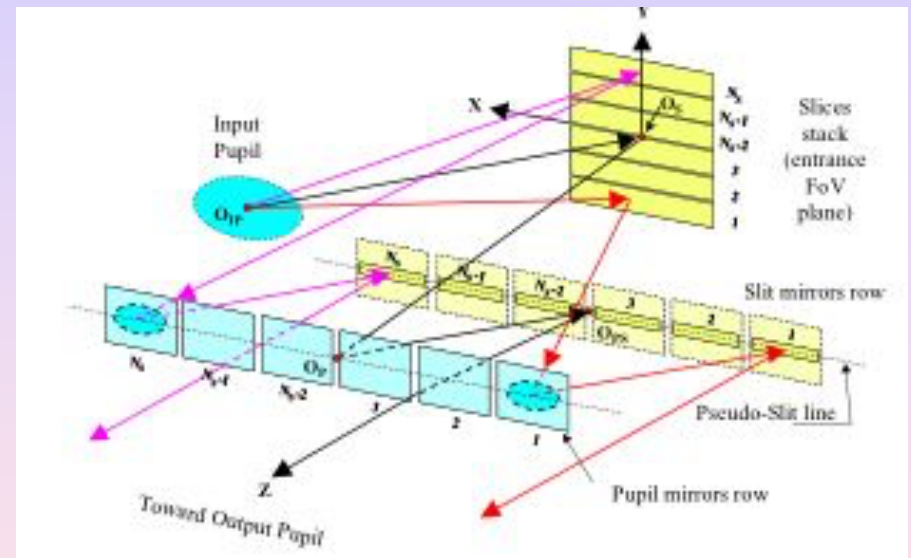
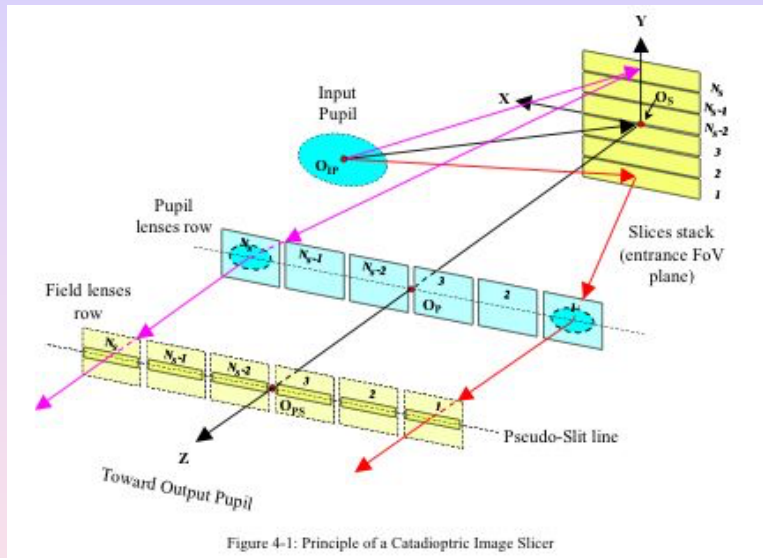


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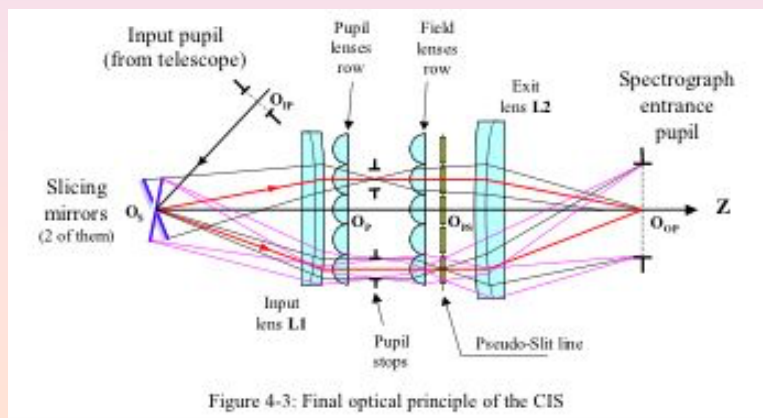
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MUSE

- Catadioptric Image Slicer (CIS) for MUSE

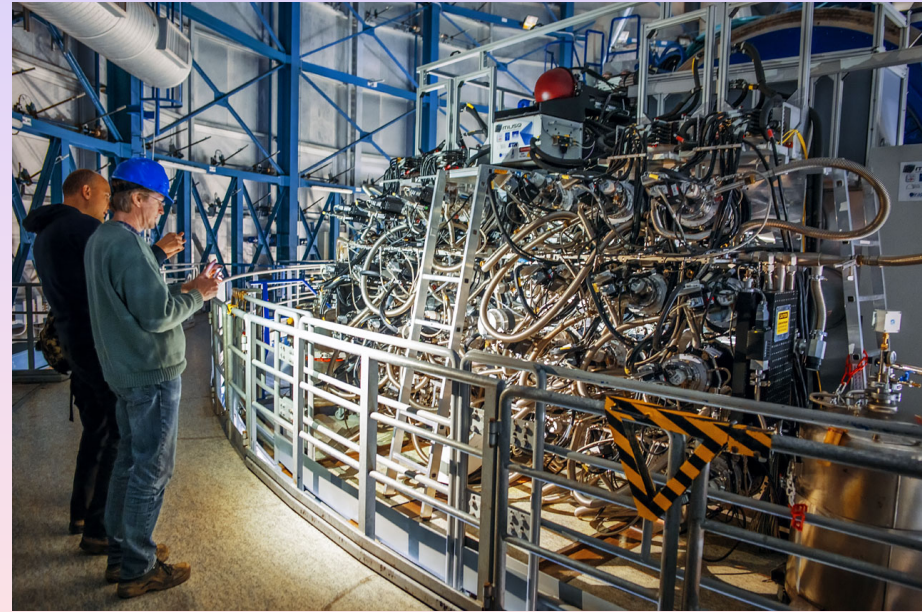
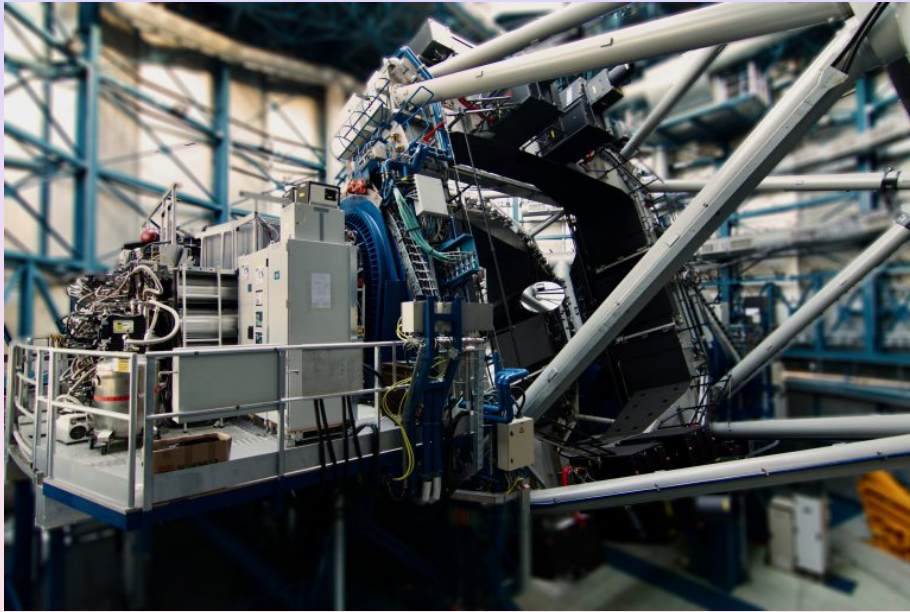


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Cutting-edge Instruments

MUSE – the Medusa



Cutting-edge Instruments

MUSE – Hubble Ultra Deep Field

HST ACS



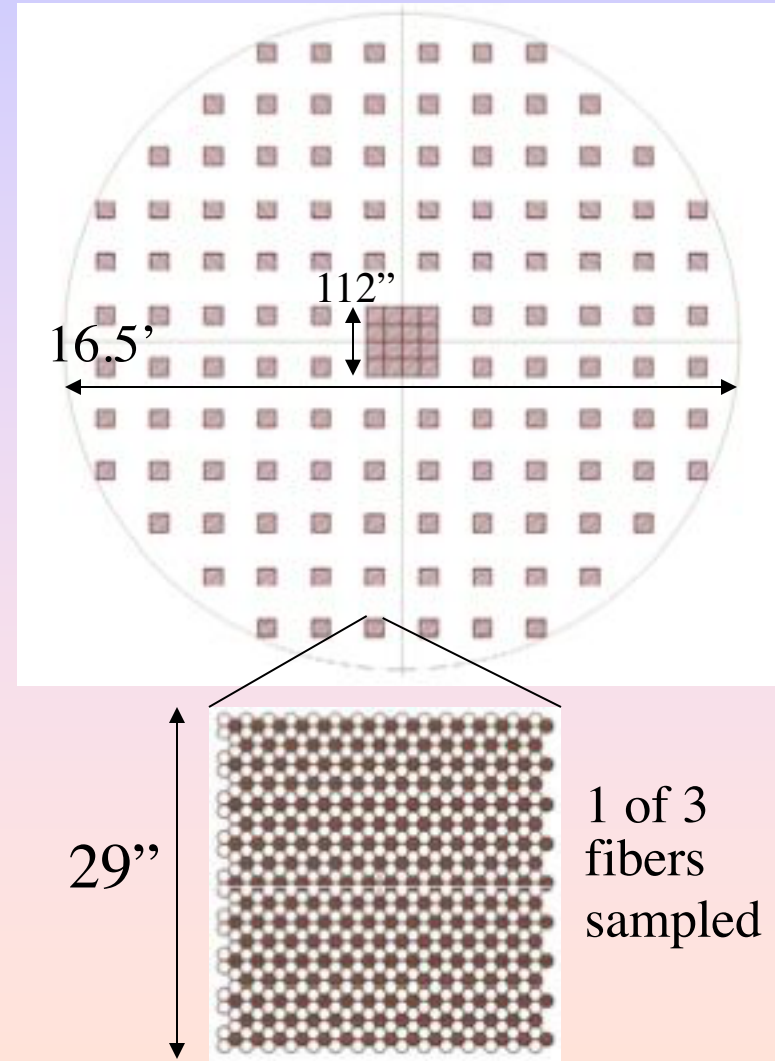
VLT MUSE



Cutting-edge Instruments

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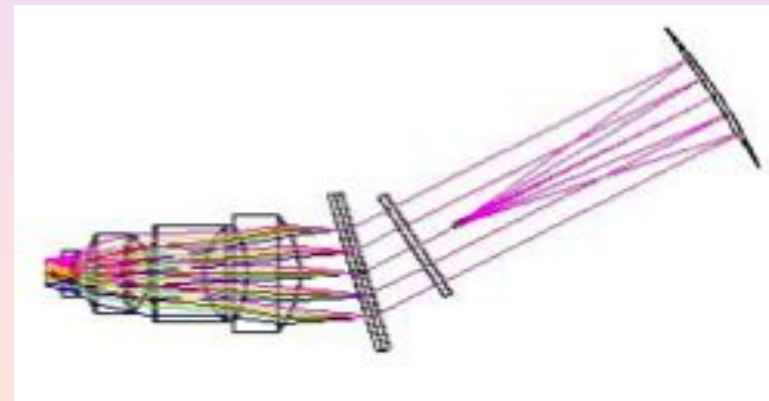
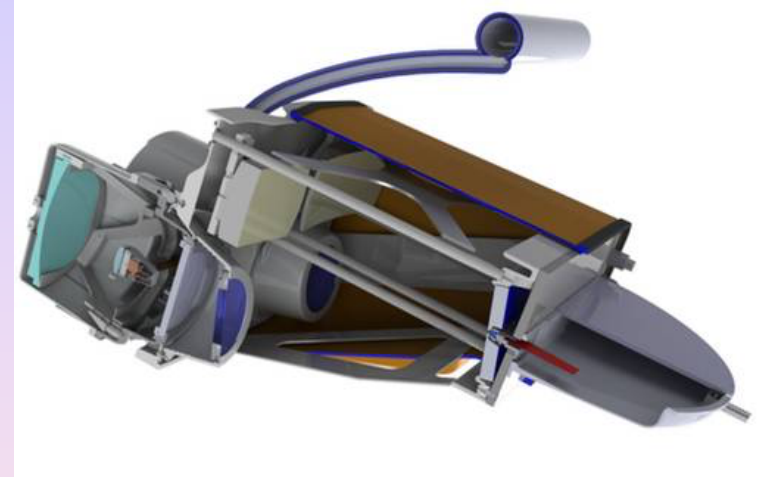
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 - Measure baryon (acoustic) oscillations in power spectrum of large-scale structure of Ly α -emitting galaxies $1.8 < z < 3.7$.
- Technical approach
 - Replicate, small, cheap, low-resolution bare-fiber fed spectrographs
- Instrument capabilities
 - HET 9.2m + new corrector (16' field)
 - 215 arcmin² FoV, sparsely sampled
 - 32604 spatial elements (1 arcsec² each)
 - 340-570 nm range (one shot)
 - 410 spectral elements (R~800)
 - $\varepsilon \sim 0.15$



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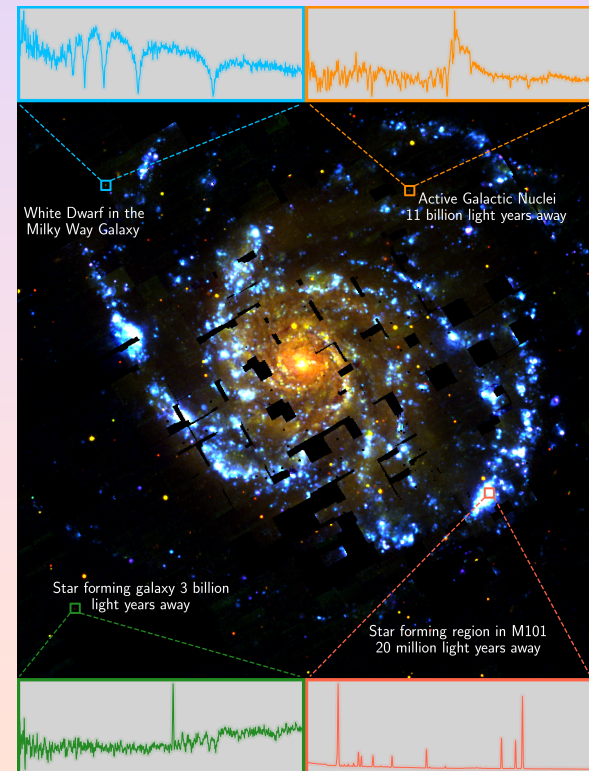
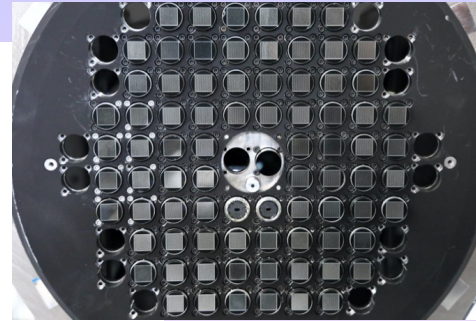
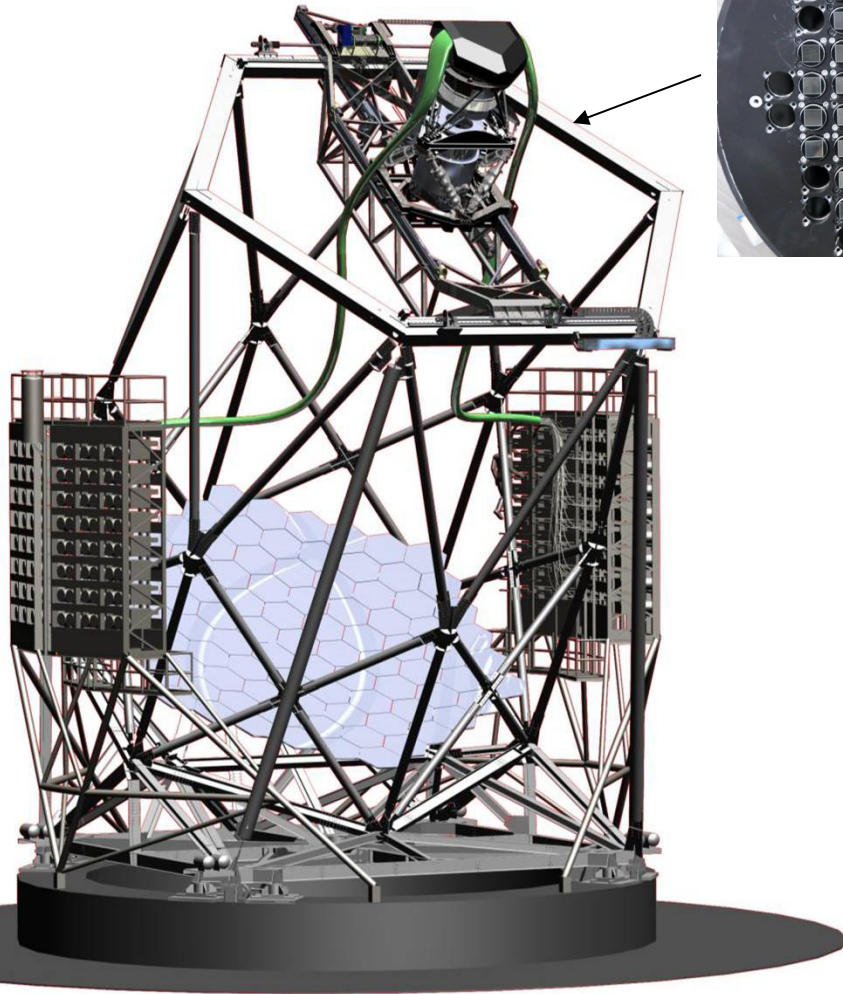
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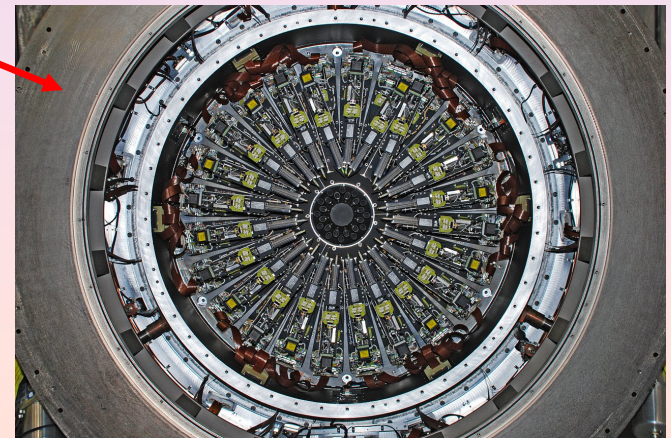
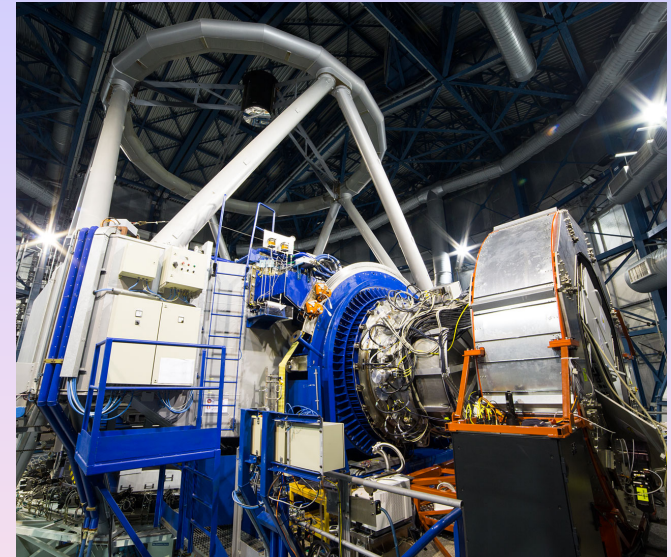
Cutting-edge Instruments

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 - Investigate physical properties driving galaxy formation/evolution; measure comoving star-formation rate.
- Technical approach
 - Multi-object image slicer feeding cryogenic spectrographs (3).
- Instrument capabilities
 - VLT 8m
 - 24 MOS probes, 2.8×2.8 arcsec each, sampled at 0.2 arcsec (14 slices)
 - 4704 spatial elements total (188 arcsec^2)
 - 7.5 arcmin diameter patrol field
 - 1-2.5 μm range
 - 1000 spectral elements ($R \sim 3600$)
 - $\varepsilon = ?$

Sharples et al. '04

[See also: Thatte et al. '00]



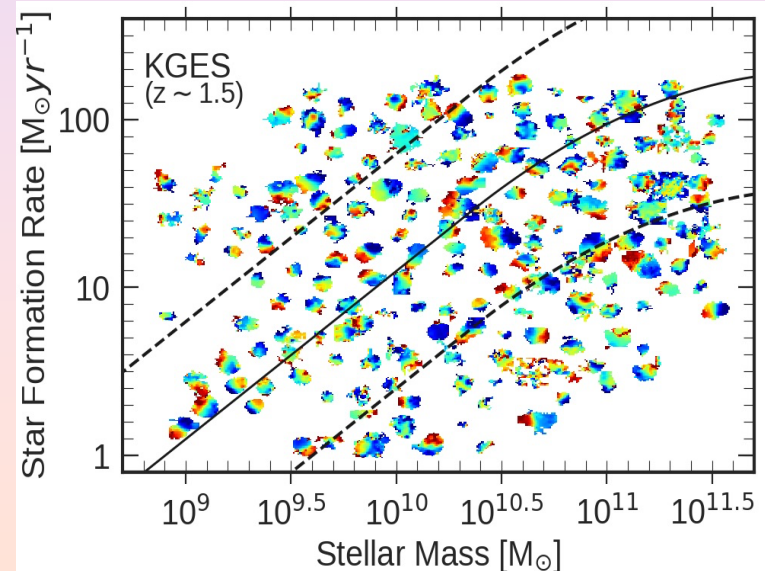
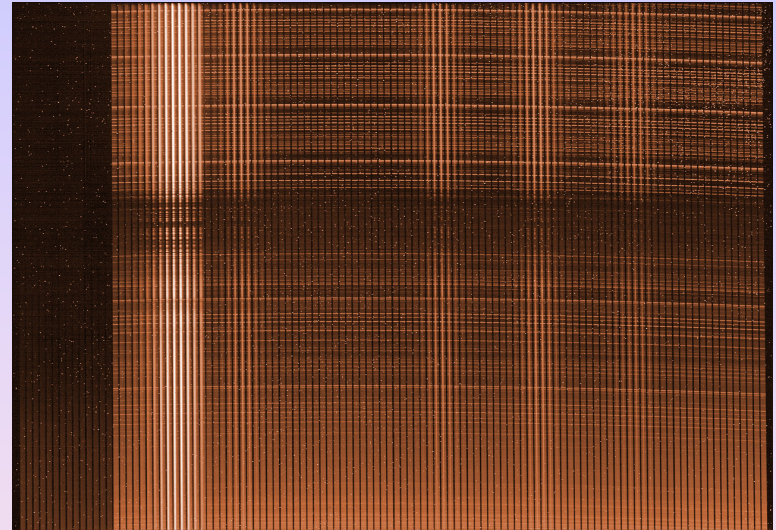
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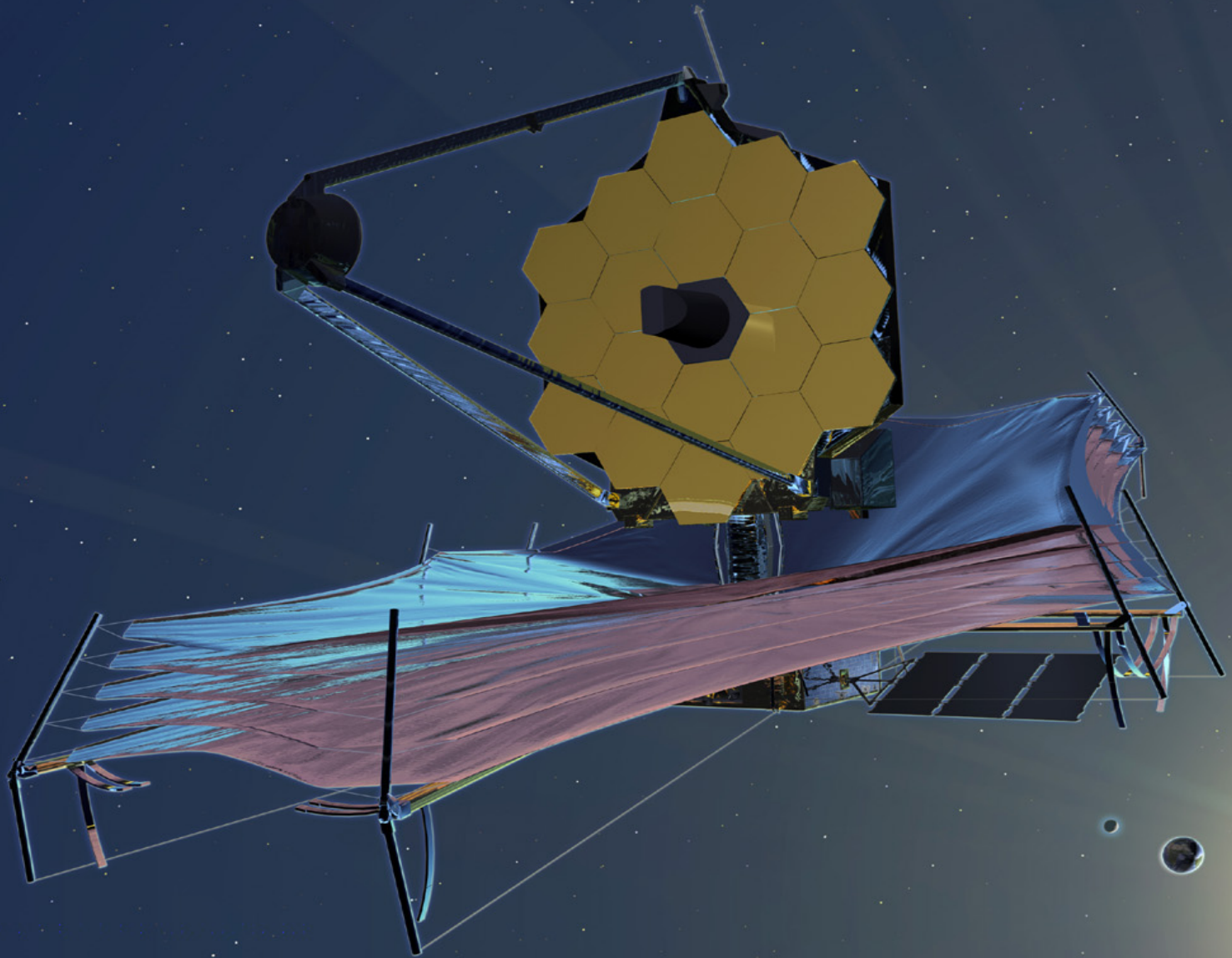
Ground-based instruments on 10m telescopes

Recap:

- State-of-the-art instruments (*only some of them!*)
 - MUSE
 - VIRUS
 - KMOS
- Common themes:
 - All have large $A\Omega$ by virtue of instrument multiplex
 - None have large specific grasp $Ad\Omega$
 - object multiplexing: *science-driven*
 - *Science cases are varied; KMOS and MUSE are similar, but VIRUS is a departure both in science case (dedicated cosmology survey) and technical approach (bare fibers).*
 - instrument multiplexing: *cost-driven*
 - *Looking for economies of scale*
 - *Instrument cost go as D^x_{optic} , where $x > 2$ (~ 2.2)*

Cutting-edge Instruments

Space-based instruments: JWST

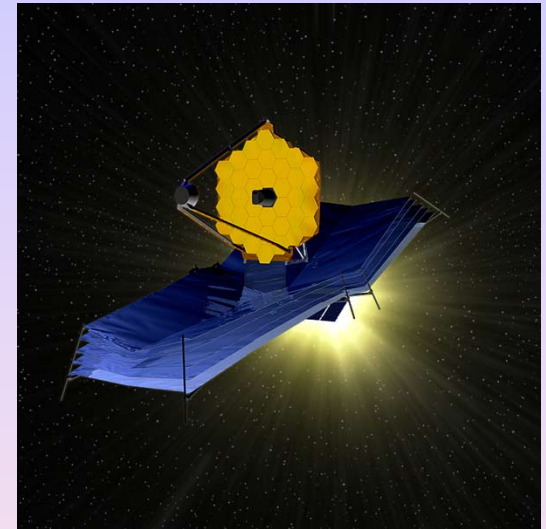


Cutting-edge Instruments

Space-based instruments: JWST

- JWST

- 6.5m telescope (25 m²)
- 0.6-29 μm coverage
- 0.1 arcsec resolution or better
- operating temperature < 50° K
- 5-10 year lifetime
- Launch 2013 or later into 1.5 Mkm orbit at L2



- Science mission

- o first light
- o galaxy assembly
- o birth of stars and proto-planets
- o planetary systems / origins of life

- Instruments

- o NIRCam
- o NIRSpec
- o FGS-TF
- o MIRI

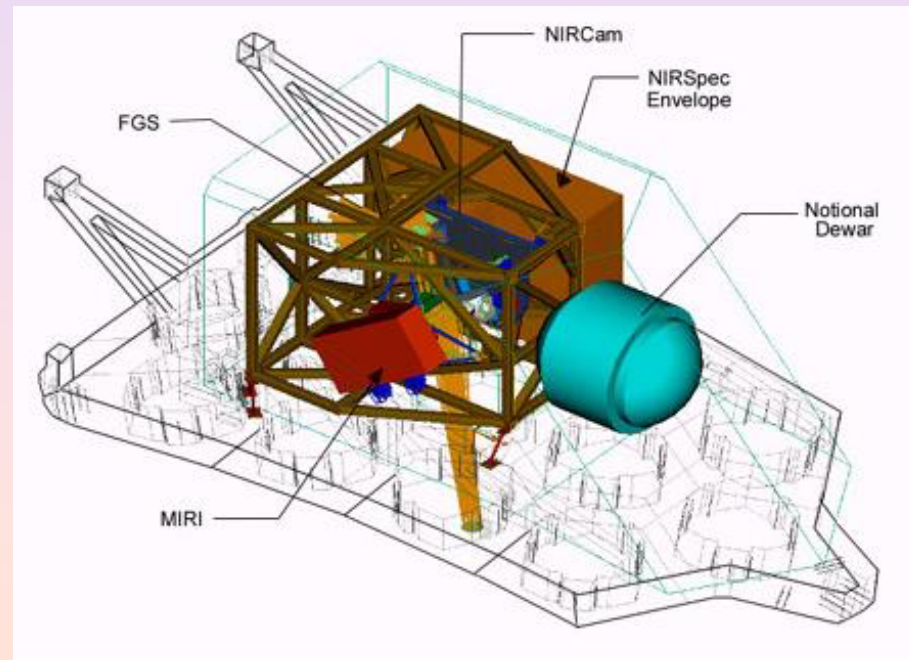
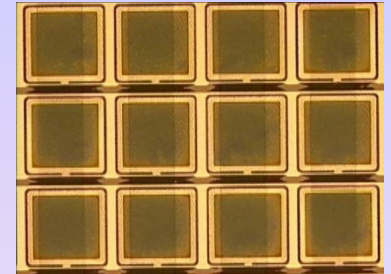
IFU capability

Cutting-edge Instruments

Space-based instruments: JWST

- NIRSpec

- 3.5x3.5 arcmin field for MOS using MEMS devices
- IFU mode: 3x3 arcsec at $R = 3000$
- advanced slicer: 40 3x0.075 arcsec slices feeding 2×2048^2 arrays
- 0.8-5 μm

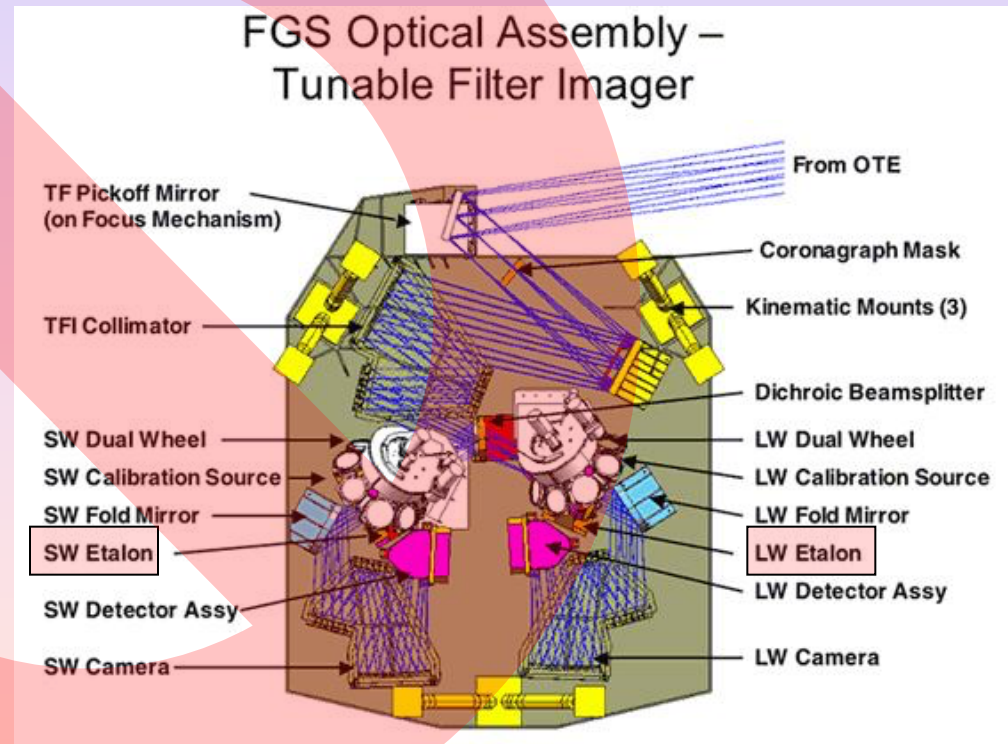


Cutting-edge Instruments

Space-based instruments: JWST

- FGS-TF: Fine-Guidance Sensors -Tunable Filter

- Dual Fabry-Perot imaging cameras covering 1-5 μm
- 2.3 x 2.3 arcmin field
- $R \sim 100$
- Two cameras: short (1.2-2.1 μm), long (2-4.8 μm)

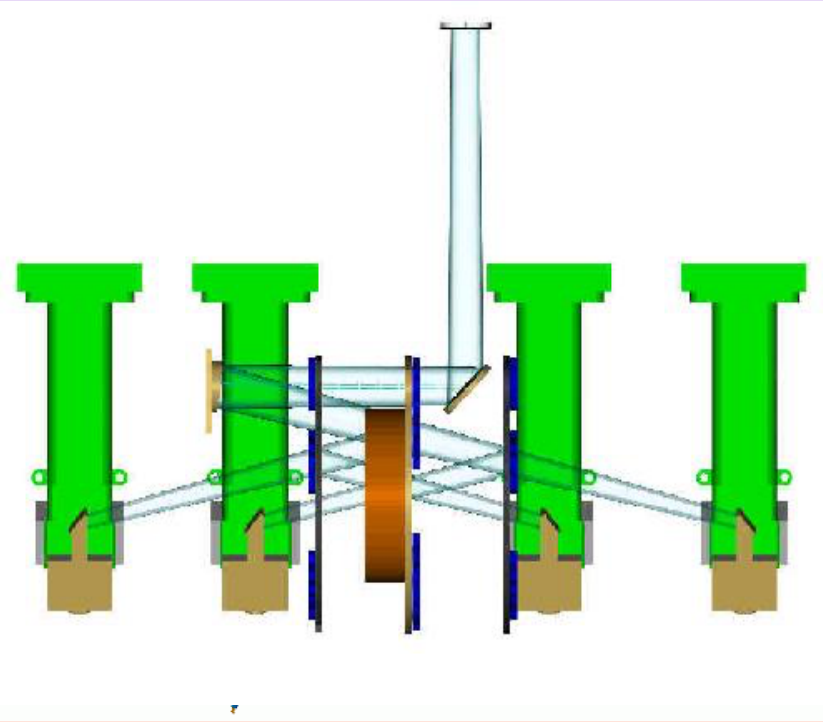
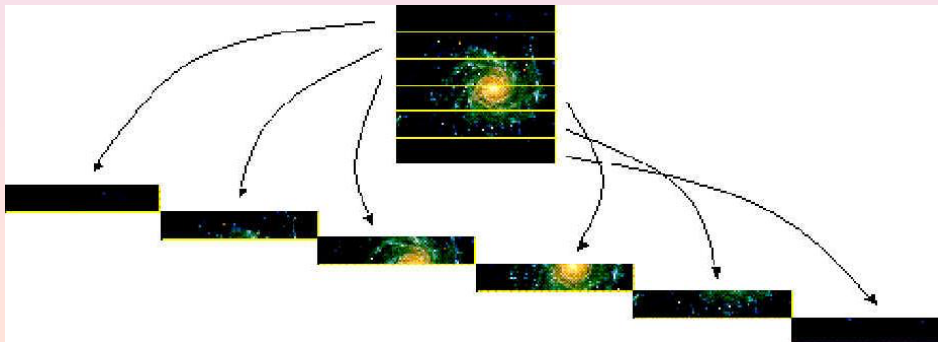


Future instruments

Space-based instruments: JWST

- MIRI: Mid-InfraRed camera and spectrometer
 - 5-28 μm
 - 4 simultaneous image slicers

channel	1	2	3	4
Wavelength (μm)	5-7.7	7.7-11.9	11.9-18.3	18.3-28.3
Slice width (")	0.17	0.28	0.39	0.64
Pixel (")	0.2	0.2	0.24	0.27
FoV (")	3x3.9	3.5x4.4	5.2x6.2	6.7x7.7
R	~3000	~3000	~3000	~2200



Cutting-edge Instruments

Space-based instruments: SUMMARY

- JWST has IFUs with (typically)
 - 3x3 arcsec fields mapped with image slicers
 - 0.15 arcsec sampling -- lower than TMT
 - $100 < R < 3000$ -- lower-to-comparable to TMT
 - Optical to mid-infrared coverage *with low backgrounds*
- One near-infrared FP offers narrow-band imaging over a 2.3 arcmin field.
- There are no large-grasp systems that take advantage of the low backgrounds of space.
- There are no high- (or even medium) resolution spectrographs.

Table 6. Future Space-Based Integral Field Instruments

Instrument	Coupling Method	Telescope	D_T (m)	Ω (arcsec ²)	$d\Omega$ (arcsec ²)	N_θ	$\Delta\lambda/\lambda$	R	N_R	ϵ
MIRI	advanced-slicer	JWST	6.5	51.8	0.30	173	1.48	2800.	4096	-1.
NIRSpec	advanced-slicer	JWST	6.5	9.	0.0056	1600	0.34	3000.	1024	-1.

A **warning** about space-based measurements of galaxy kinematics

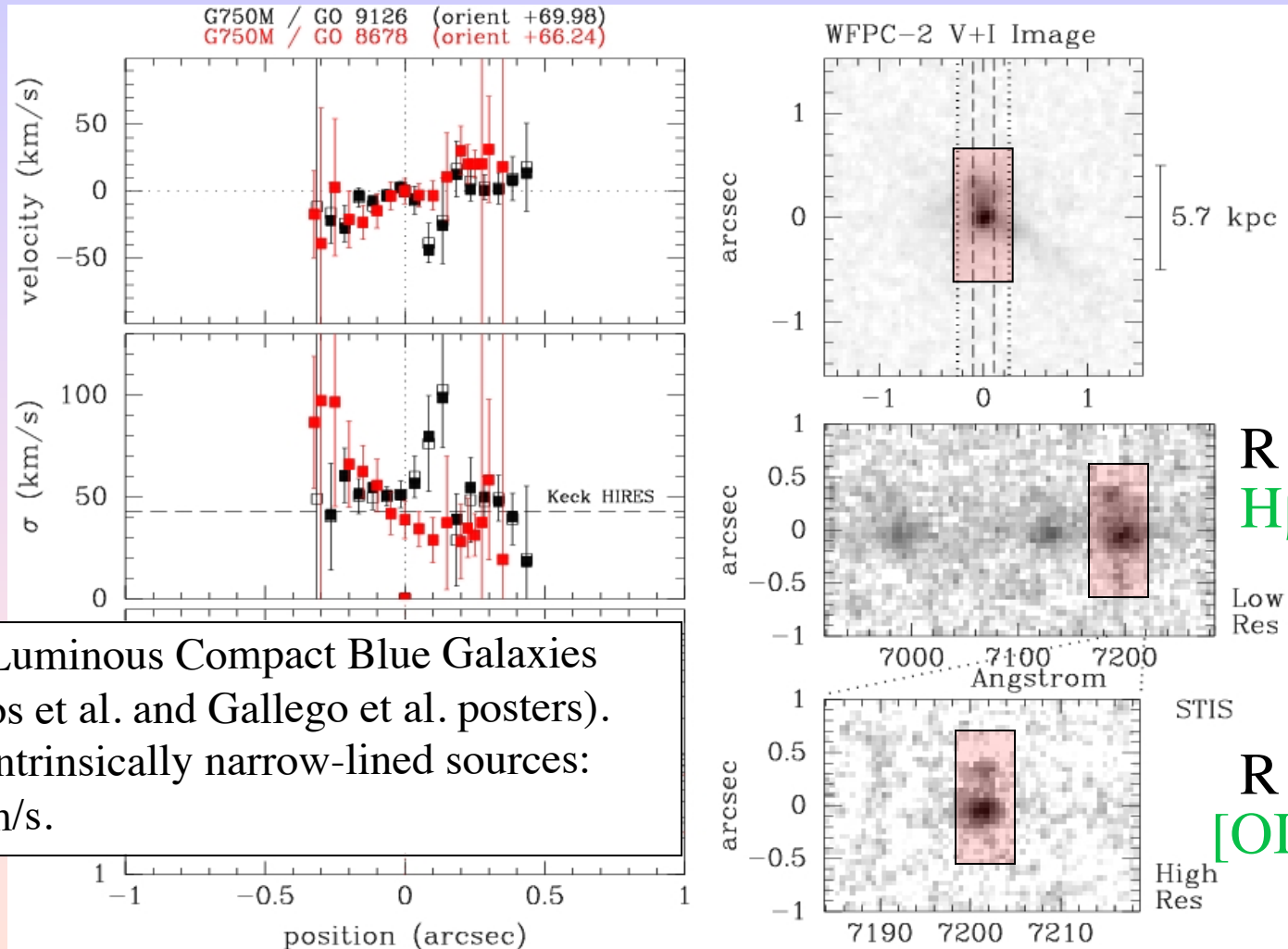
- Remember: Your spectrum is a continuum of monochromatic images of your slit.
- An unresolved emission-line will appear as a slit image,
 - i.e., the detailed structure of the line profile is just the (demagnified) image formed on your slit.
- This occurs at “low” spectral resolution.
 - “low” depends on the intrinsic internal velocities of your source.
- This applies to any data where the PSF is significantly smaller than the slit width *and* intrinsic image structure is of order the scale of the slit width or smaller.
- Such data will have artificial “kinematic” features which have to be interpreted with prior information about the spatial distribution of flux within the slit.
- The solution is “trivial:”
 - Observe at higher spectral resolution: $R \gg \lambda / \theta_w * \gamma$

Slit width (angle)

Angular dispersion

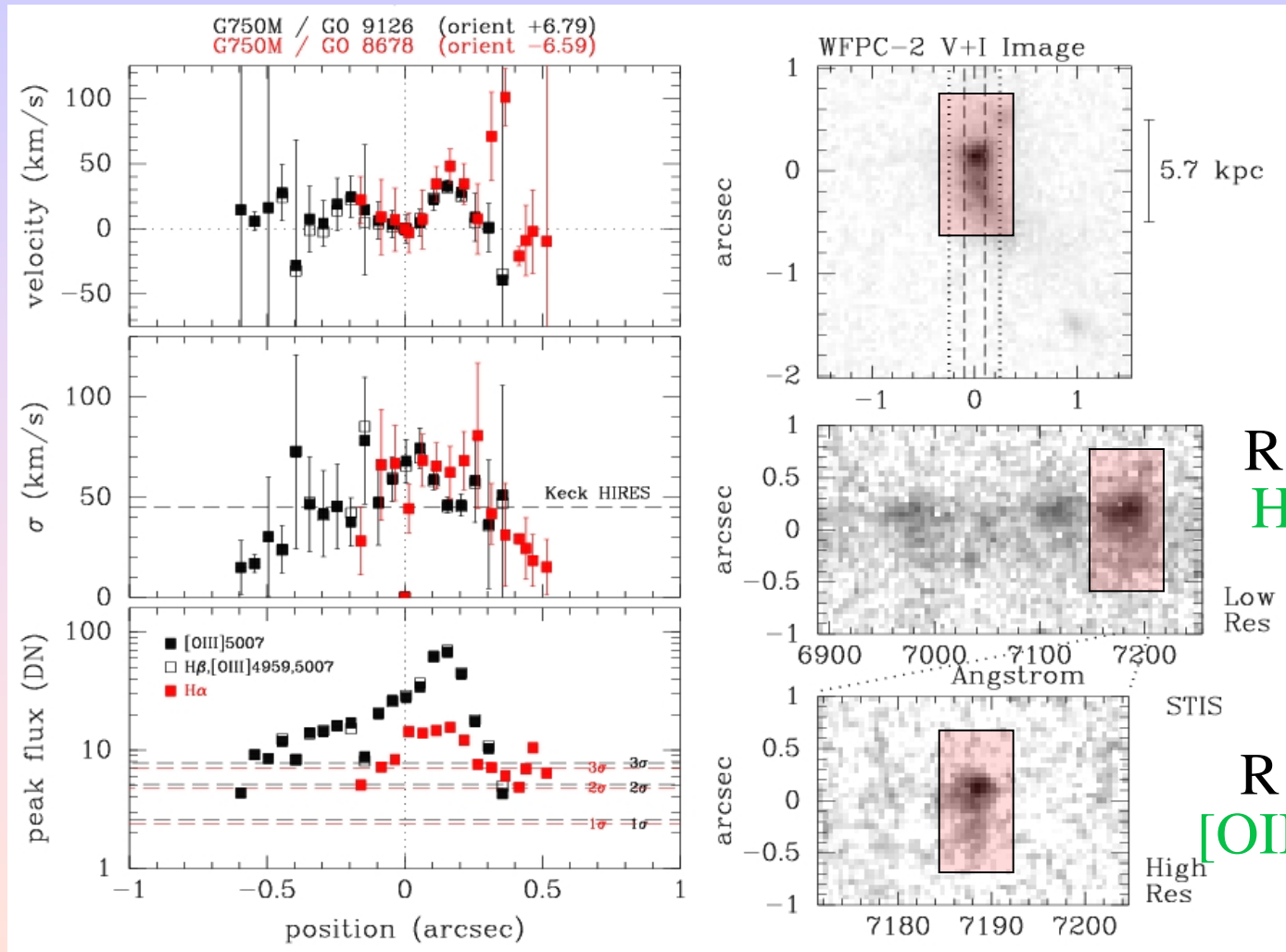


An example: STIS Spectra of LCBGs



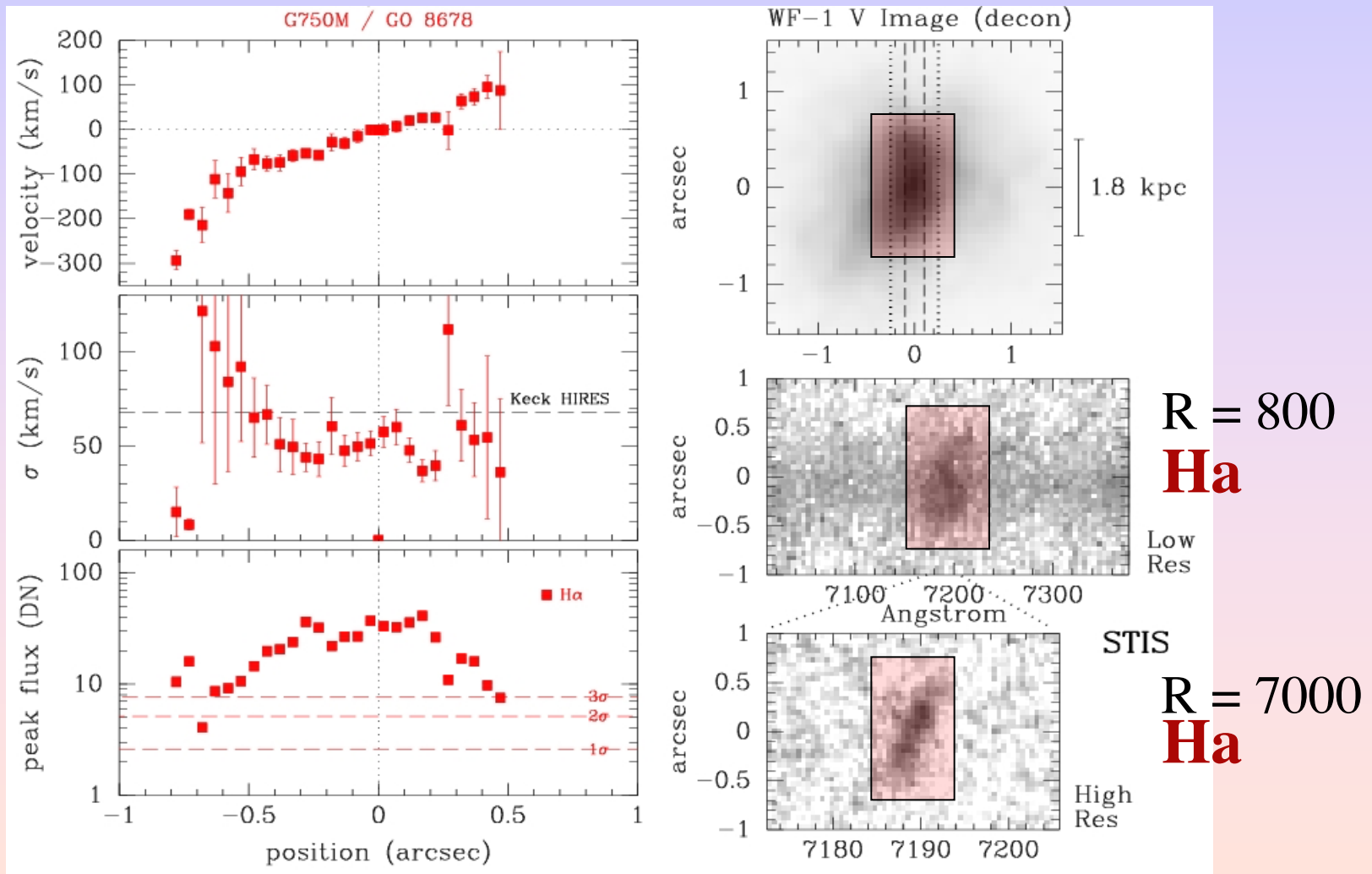
LCBGs: Luminous Compact Blue Galaxies
(see Hoyos et al. and Gallego et al. posters).
This are intrinsically narrow-lined sources:
 $\sigma < 70$ km/s.

...We didn't just get "lucky"...



H313088, $z=0.44$, $V/\sigma \sim 0.45$ Bershady, Vils, Hoyos, Guzman, Koo '04

Here's another:



H313385, $z=0.10$, $V/\sigma \sim 3.4$ Bershadsky, Vils, Hoyos, Guzman, Koo '04

Take-home message

Be very careful with high-angular resolution data which is observed at low dispersion.

Future instruments

Ground vs space

- Backgrounds
 - background or detector limited
 - Wavelength and resolution dependent
- Cost and flexibility
 - ✓ ground-based telescopes always win
- ✓ Why build bigger telescopes?

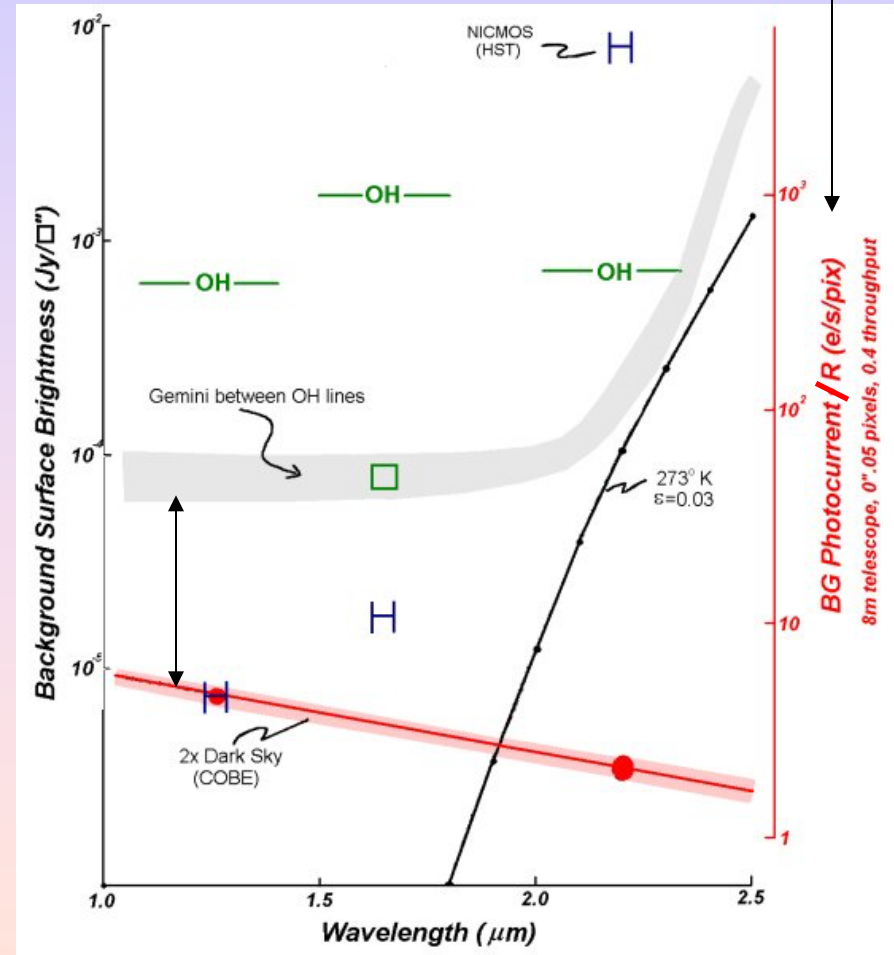
Future instruments

Ground vs space

- Backgrounds:

- a cooled space-craft has significantly lower background compared to the ground even at high spectral resolution.
 - o dramatic for $\lambda > 2.5\mu\text{m}$
- Above $R \sim 1000$, 8m-class space telescopes are detector-limited ($0.05''$ apertures).

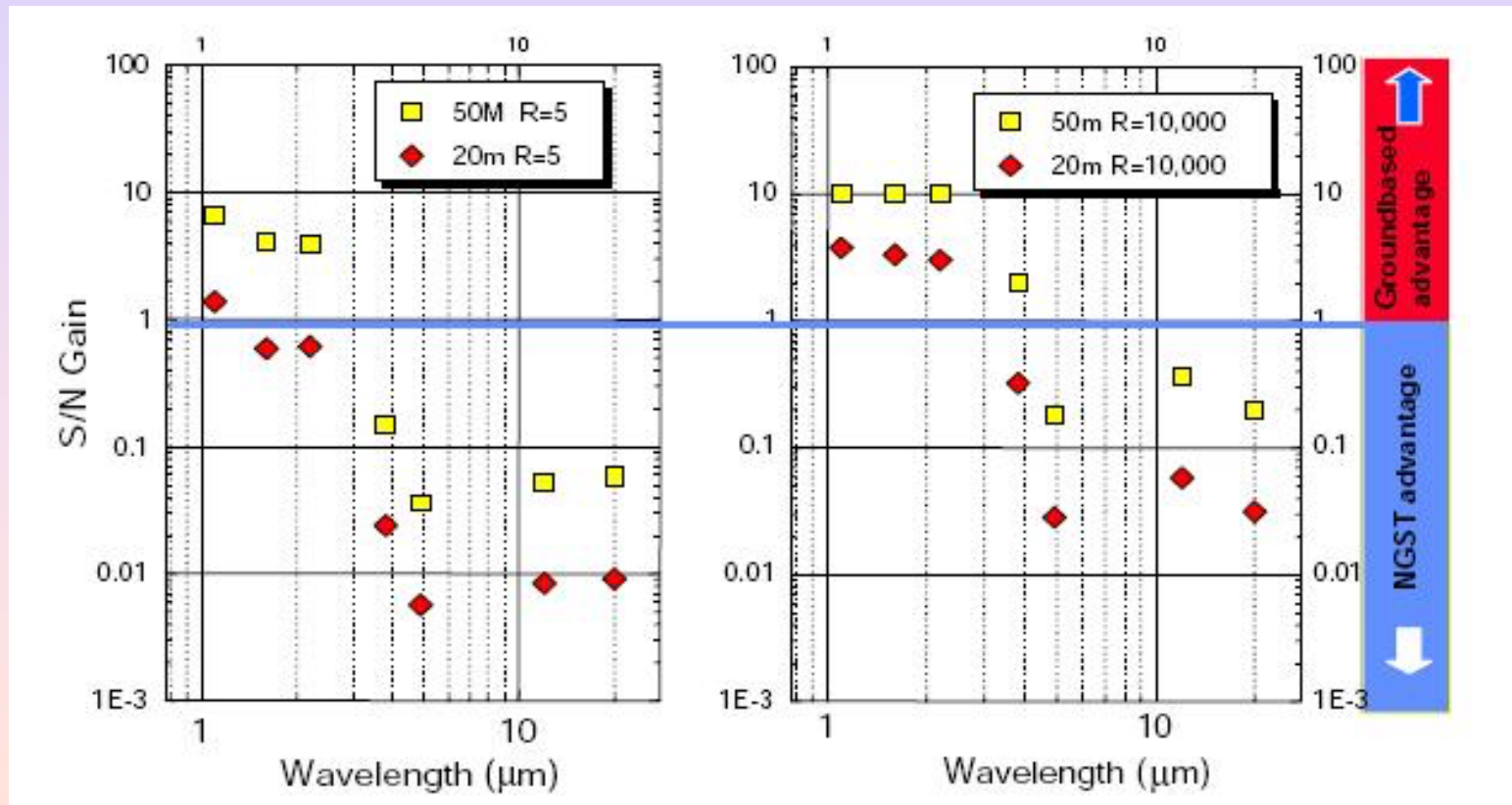
Gillet & Mountain '97
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Future instruments

Ground vs space

- Competitiveness:
 - assumes diffraction-limited performance for stellar spectroscopy.

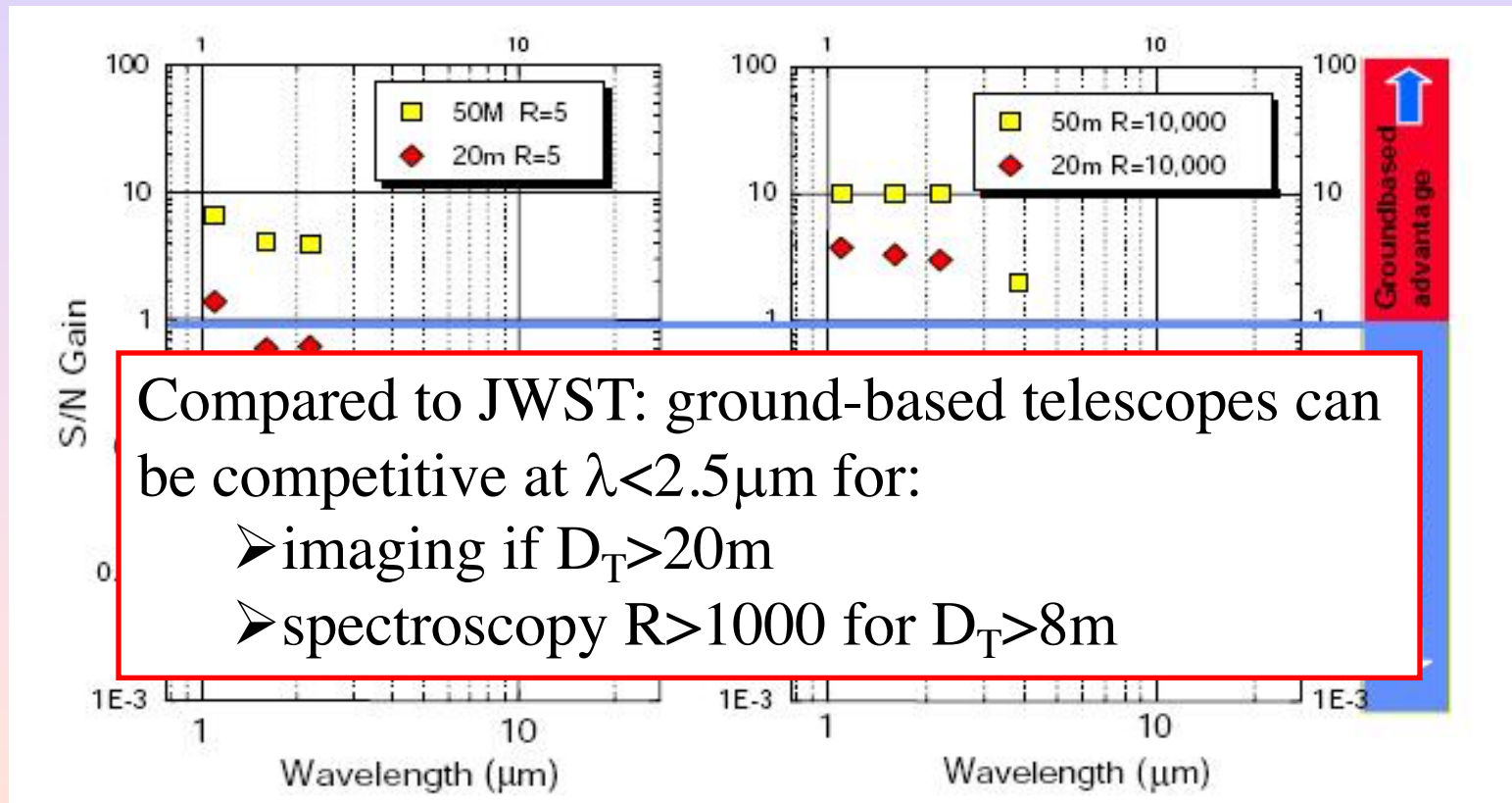


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Future instruments

Ground-based instruments on 30-100m telescopes

- The ~~horror~~ challenge of large telescopes
 - instrument size at the diffraction limit
 - AO-driven designs
 - unique parameter space: the photon limit at high resolution
- Specific examples of TMT instrumentation
(D. Crampton)
 - different kinds of AO
 - WFOS - seeing-limited
 - IRIS - NIRFAOS, diffraction limited
 - IRMOS - MOAO, multi-object

ELT: See also Eisenhauer et al. '00, Russell et al. '04

Future instruments

Ground-based instruments on 30-100m telescopes

- Why the challenge?
 - $A\Omega$ is conserved
 - If you want field (Ω), you are going to have to pay for it by building a massive instrument.
 - Only one way out: work at the diffraction limit since
$$\theta \sim \lambda / D_T$$

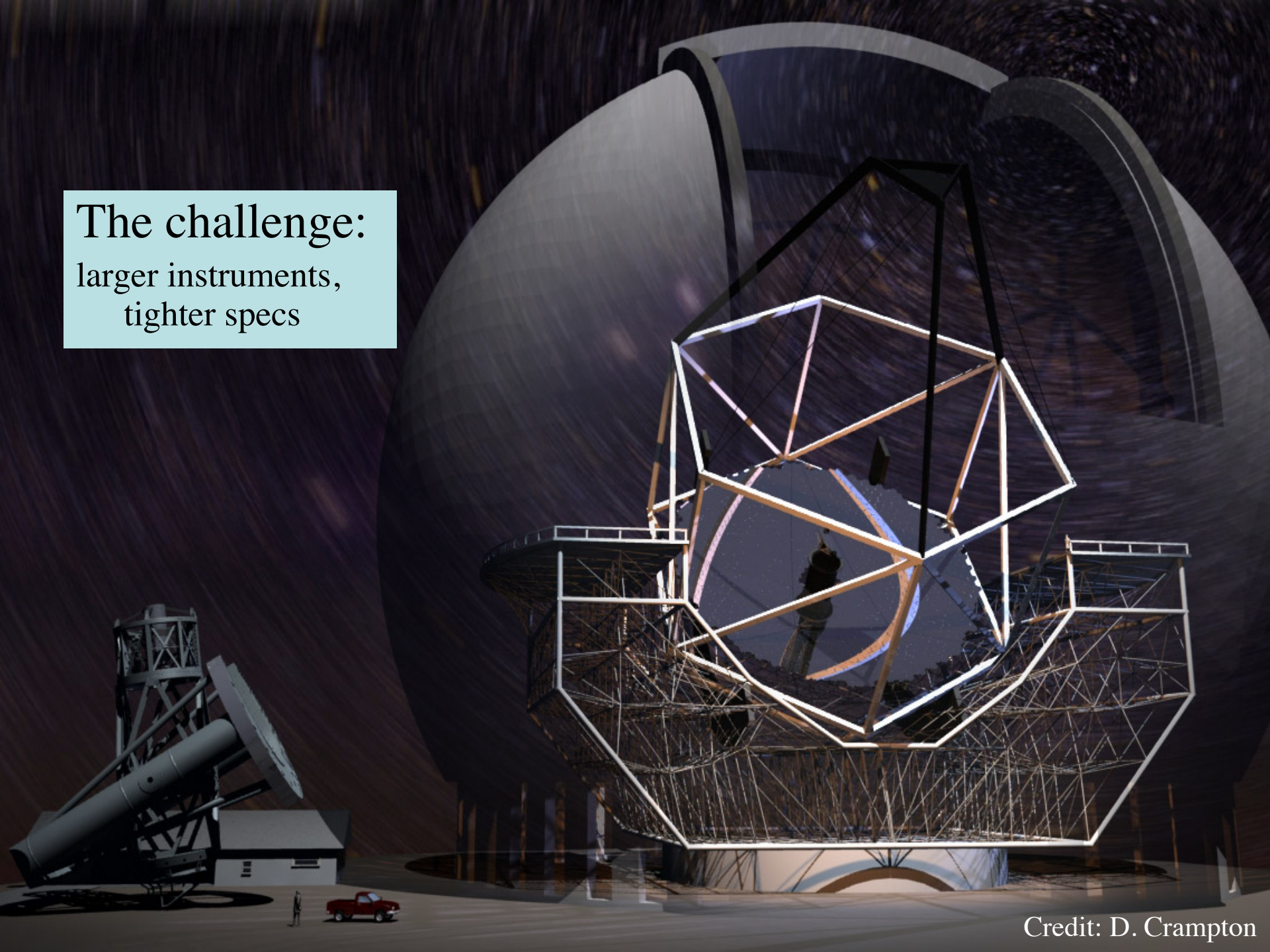
The instrument entrance aperture (and hence the instruments size itself) for diffraction-limited sources is independent of telescope diameter.
 - This is ok for individual stars or planetary systems, but galaxies are extended, and everybody wants “field” for survey work.
 - Science case driven to high-angular resolution because technical case is achievable and attractive.
 - o Dangerous?

Future instruments

Ground-based instruments on 30-100m telescopes

- AO-driven designs
 - Different kinds of AO
 - Level of correction (from tip-tilt to extreme AO)
 - Area which is corrected
 - Single or multiple areas
 - What instrument you build depends on what AO you think you can deliver.
 - Is this backwards? What's the *a priori* science goal?
- Unique parameter space:
 - The photon limit at high resolution
 - *High spectral or spatial resolution?*
 - The diffraction limit...
 - ...especially at long wavelength requires large aperture.
 - But this is where you win in space, so focus on near-infrared.

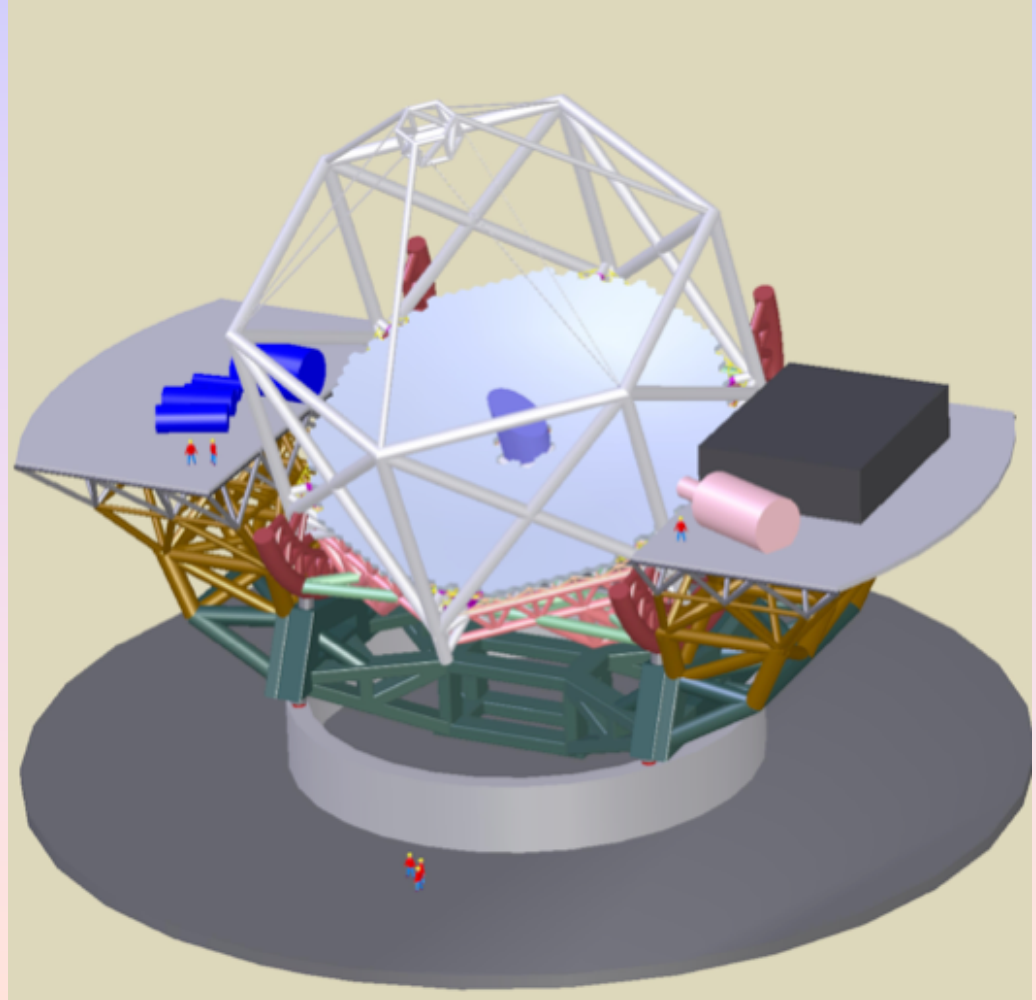
The challenge:
larger instruments,
tighter specs



Credit: D. Crampton

Single TMT Reference Design

- 30m filled aperture, highly segmented (738)
- Aplanatic Gregorian (AG) telescope
- f/1 primary
- f/15 final focus
- Field of view 20 arcmin
- Wavelength coverage $0.31 - 28 \mu\text{m}$
- Operational zenith angle range 1° thru 65°
- Instruments (and their AO systems) are located on large Nasmyth platforms, addressed by an articulated tertiary mirror.
- Both seeing-limited and adaptive optics observing modes



SRD Science Instruments

- Adaptive Optic systems defined
 - **NFIRAOS** (Narrow Field facility AO system) for first light
 - **MOAO** (“Multi-Object Adaptive Optics” ~20 positionable, 5” compensated patches in 5’)
 - **MIRAO** (MidIR AO)
 - **MCAO** (wide field AO, optimized for photometric and astrometric goals)
- Eight Instruments identified
 - **IRIS**, a NIR imager and integral field spectrograph working at the diffraction limit, fed by NFIRAOS
 - **WFOS**, a wide field, seeing-limited optical spectrograph
 - **IRMOS**, a NIR multi-object integral field spectrograph fed by MOAO
 - **MIRES**, a mid-IR echelle spectrograph fed by MIRAO
 - **PFI**, a “planet formation instrument”, which combines a high contrast AO system and an imaging spectrograph.
 - **NIRES**, a NIR echelle spectrograph, also fed by NFIRAOS
 - **HROS**, a high spectral resolution optical echelle spectrograph
 - **WIRC**, a wide field NIR camera fed by multi-conjugate AO

IRIS: Infrared Imaging Spectrograph

Integral Field Spectrograph and Imager working at the diffraction limit

- **Wavelength range:** 0.8-2.5 μ m; goal 0.6-5 μ m
- **Field of view:** < 2 arcsec for IFU, up to 10" for imaging mode
- **Spatial sampling:** 0.004 arcsec per pixel (Nyquist sampled) over 4096 pixels for IFU; over 10x10 arcsec for imaging
 - Plate scale adjustable 0.004, 0.009, 0.022, 0.050 arcsec/pixel
 - 128x128 spatial pixels with small ($\Delta\lambda/\lambda \leq 0.05$) wavelength coverage
- **Spectral resolution**
 - R=4000 over entire J, H, K, L bands, one band at a time
 - R=2-50 for imaging mode
- Low background (increase inter-OH sky + tel by no more than 15%)
- Detector: Dark current and read noise $\leq 5\%$ of background for t=2000s
- Throughput: as high as practical

IRMOS: Infrared Multi-Object Spectrograph

MOAO/Deployable IFU spectrometer

- **Wavelength range:** 0.8-2.5 μ m
- **Field of View:** IFU heads deployable over 5 arcmin field
- **Wavefront quality:** preserve that delivered by AO system
- **Image quality:** diffraction-limited images, tip-tilt ≤ 0.015 arcsec rms
- **Spatial sampling**
 - 0.05x0.05 arcsec pixels, IFU head 2.0 arcsec, ≥ 10 IF units
- **Spectral resolution**
 - R=2000-10000 over entire J, H, K bands, one band at a time
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WFOS: Wide Field Optical Spectrograph

Multi-object spectroscopy over as much of 20' field as possible

- **Wavelength range:** $0.31\text{-}1.1\mu\text{m}$ ($0.31\text{-}1.6\mu\text{m}$ goal). ADC required
- **Field of view:** 75 arcmin^2 ; goal: 300 arcmin^2
- Total slit length $\geq 500\text{ arcsec}$
- Image quality: $\leq 0.2\text{ arcsec}$ FWHM over any $0.1\mu\text{m}$
- **Spatial sampling:** $\leq 0.15\text{ arcsec}$ per pixel, goal $\leq 0.10\text{ arcsec}$
- **Spectral resolution:** $R=5\text{-}5000$ for $0.75''$ slit; goal: $150\text{-}6000$
- Throughput: $\geq 30\%$
- Sensitivity: photon noise limited for all exposures $> 60\text{s}$
- Background subtraction systematics must be negligible compared to photon noise for total exposure times as long as 100 Ks
- Stability: Flexure < 0.1 pixel at the detector is required
- Desired: cross dispersed mode, IFU option, narrow band imaging, enhanced image quality using adaptive optics

Future instruments

Ground-based instruments on 30-100m telescopes

TMT SUMMARY

- High-priority IFS is in the near-infrared
 - High angular resolution (< 0.1 arcsec)
 - Small fields of view (< 7 arcsec)
 - Modest spectral resolution for an ELT (< 10000 , more like 2-4000)
- WFOS has potential for modest-grasp IFU with good spectral power, but modest spectral resolution (< 6000)

Table 5. Future TMT Integral Field Instruments

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IRIS	slicer	TMT	30.	7.93	4.8e-4	16384	0.05	4000.	200	-1.
IRIS	slicer	TMT	30.	41.0	2.4e-4	16384	0.05	4000.	200	-1.
IRMOS	slicer	TMT	30.	40.	0.01	4000	0.25	2000.	500	-1.
IRMOS	slicer	TMT	30.	40.	0.01	4000	0.25	10000.	2500	-1.
WFOS	fiber+lens	TMT	30.	810.	0.56	1440	1.37	5000.	6850.	0.3

Future instruments

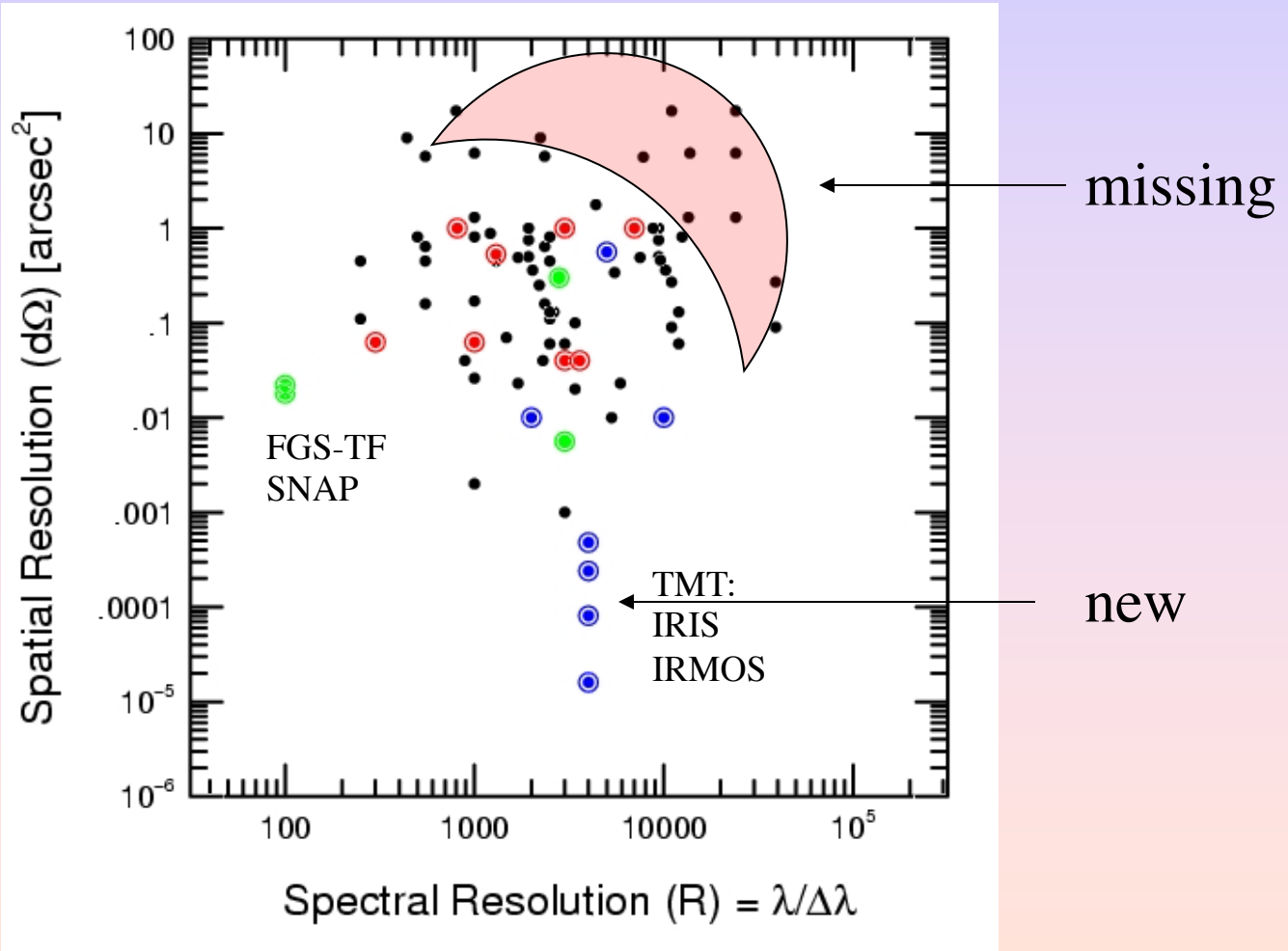
SUMMARY

Existing

New
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2-10m

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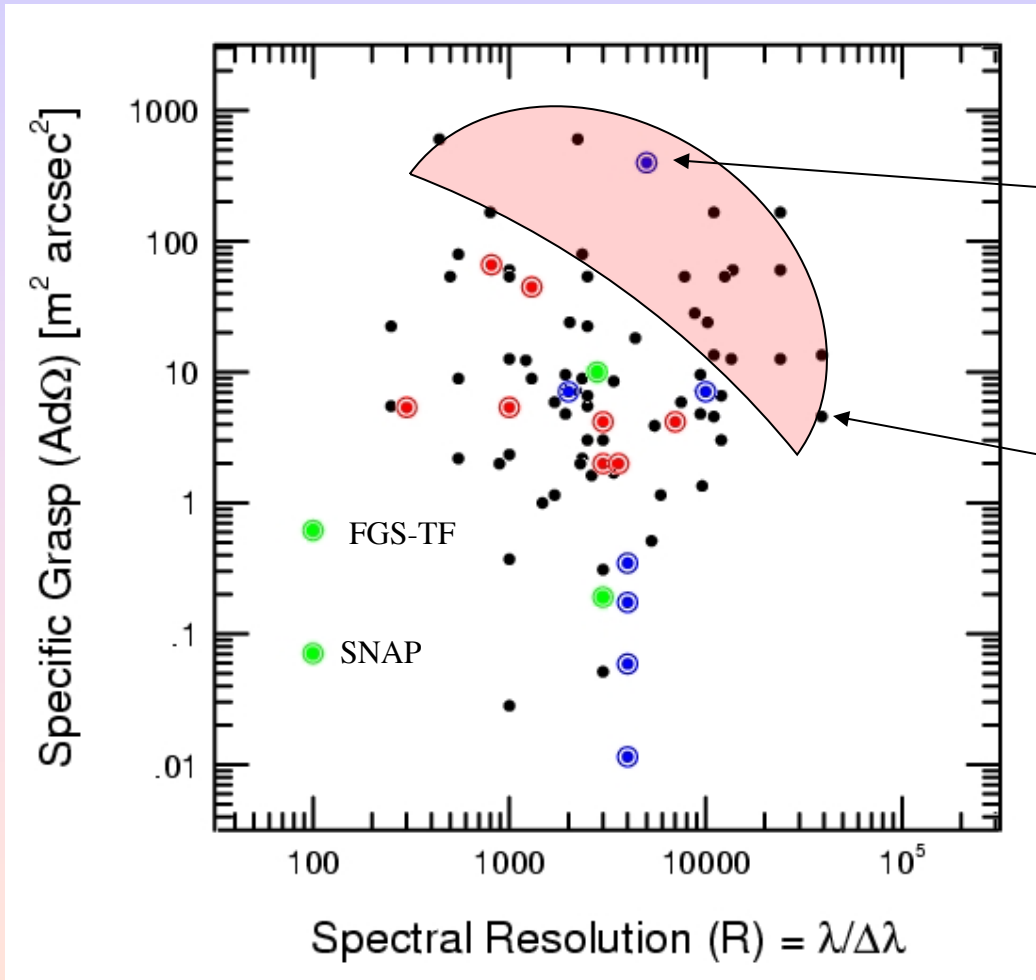
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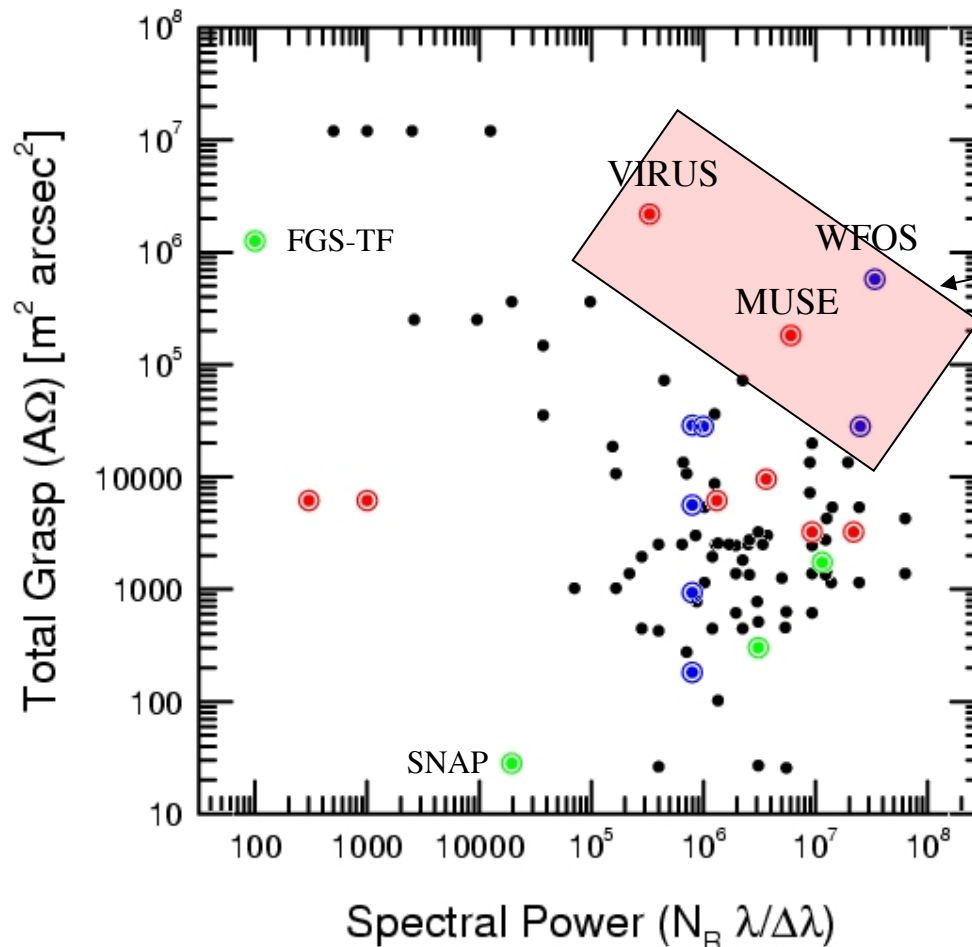
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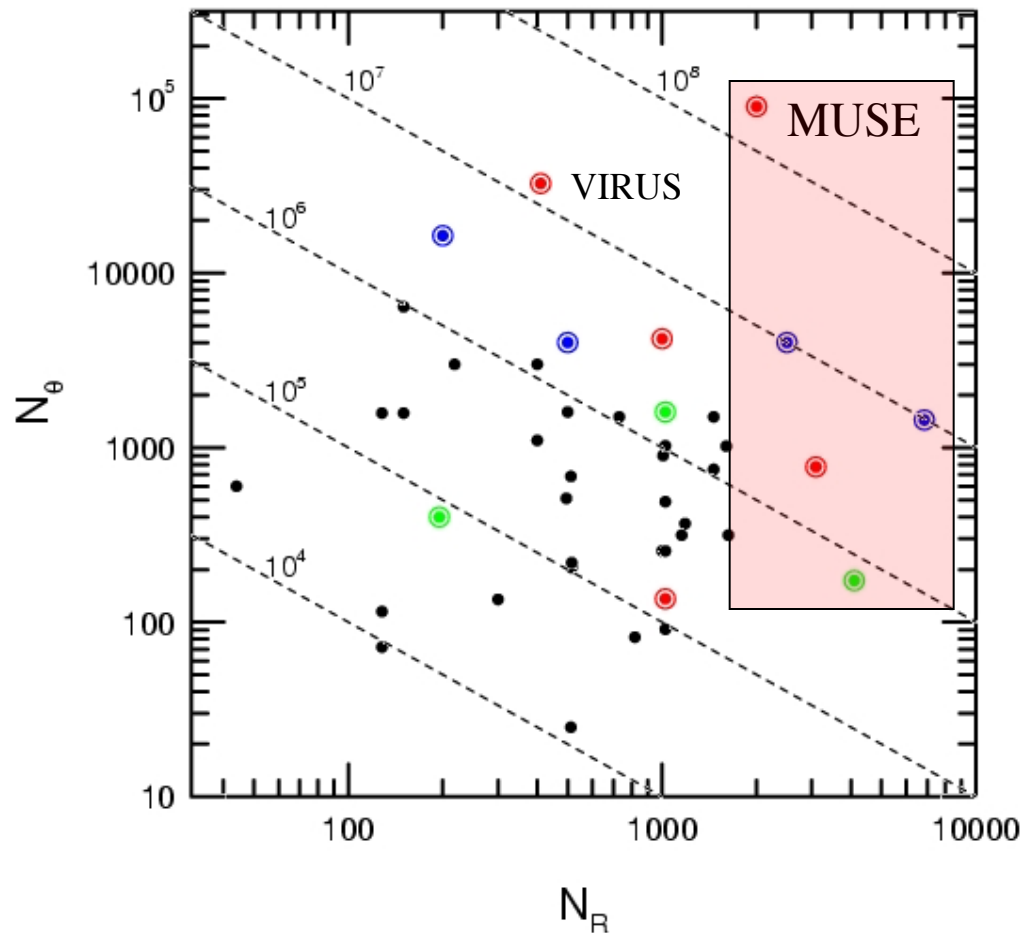
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New instruments are adding total resolution elements *and* spectral resolution elements.

10m-class instruments appear more ambitious than 30m-class instruments...
... stay tuned!

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Unexplored options: some examples

- Notch and double gratings on existing or new grating-dispersed 3D spectrographs
- large-grasp IFUs at high spectral resolution
 - multiplexed “conventional” grating-dispersed spectrographs
 - SHS fed with fiber or lenselet array
 - FP options?