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Using HTCondor to Calibrate and Archive HST and JWST Data

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Our Mission



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expanding the frontiers of space astronomy

**We help humanity explore the universe
with advanced space telescopes and archives**

Our Strategic Goals



Excel in the science operations of NASA's current and future astrophysics flagship missions



Advance state-of-the-art astronomical data, archives, and tools for scientific discovery



Make the world's astronomical information accessible to all

Science Operations for the Hubble Space Telescope (HST)

- ★ Proposal (observation) selection
- ★ Planning and scheduling
- ★ Data calibration
- ★ Data archives



HST on Twitter



@spacetelelive



Space Telescope Live

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What is [@HubbleTelescope](#) looking at? – Reference images from [@STScI](#) Digitized Sky Survey and Sloan Digital Sky Survey Data Release 13 (not actual Hubble images)

📍 Low Earth Orbit

🔗 spacetelescopelive.org

📅 Joined August 2016

🕒 Born on April 24, 1990

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Space Telescope Live
@spacetelelive

Following

I am looking at the Galaxy NGC0613 with Wide Field Camera 3 for Dr. Peter Erwin.
spacetelescopelive.org/2018-05-21T12:...



9:30 AM - 21 May 2018

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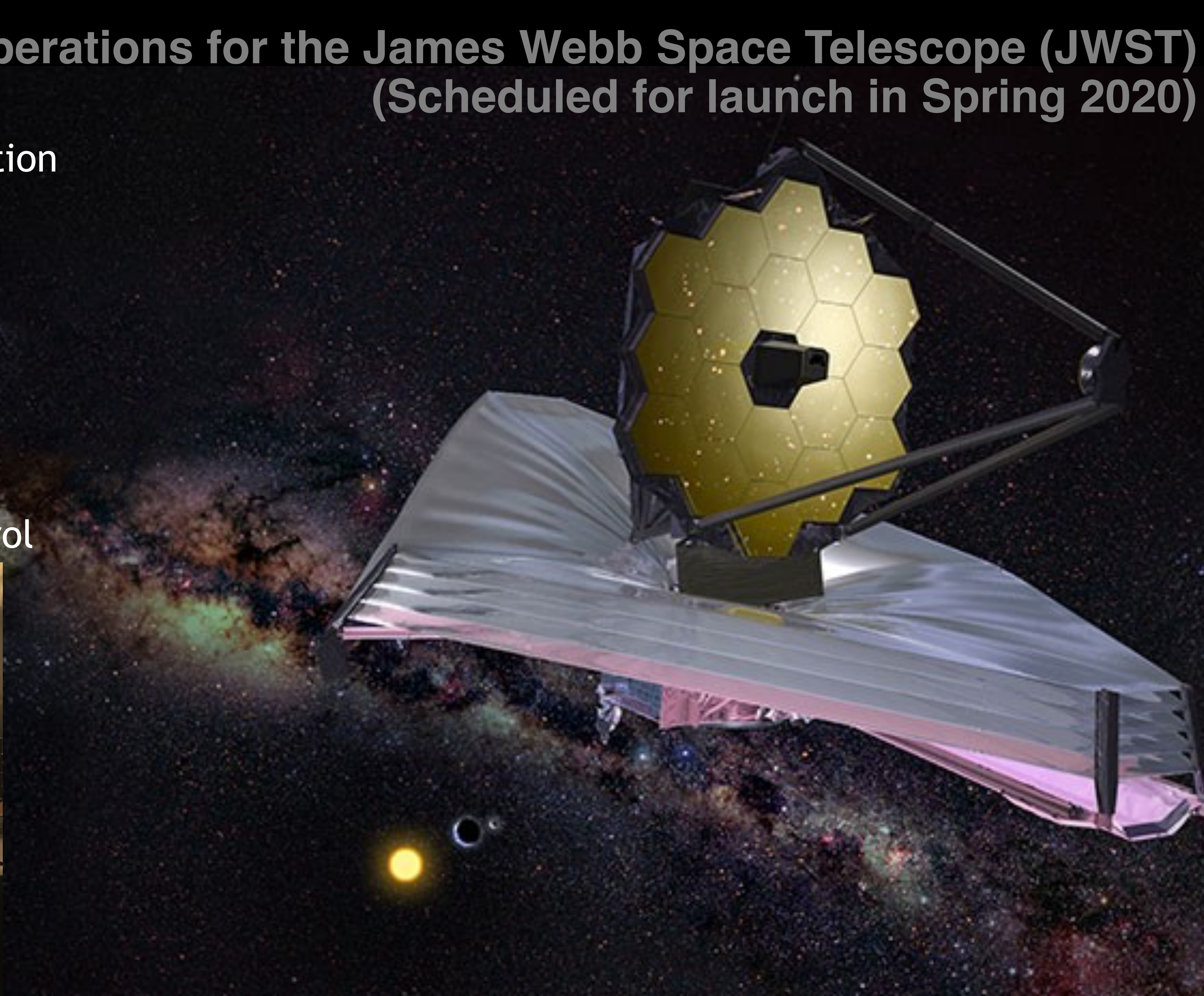
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Spacecraft & Science Operations for the James Webb Space Telescope (JWST) (Scheduled for launch in Spring 2020)

- ★ Proposal (observation) selection
- ★ Planning and scheduling
- ★ Data calibration
- ★ Data archives
- ★ Mission Operations Center
- ★ Wavefront Sensing and Control



<http://mast.stsci.edu/>

- ★ MAST Observations: Millions of observations from Hubble, Kepler, TESS, GALEX, IUE, FUSE, and more (to include JWST and WFIRST).
- ★ Virtual Observatory: Search thousands of astronomical data archives from around the world for images, spectra, and catalogs.
- ★ Hubble Source Catalog: A master catalog with a hundred million measurements of objects in Hubble images.
- ★ MAST Catalogs: Access to catalog data such as Gaia and TESS Input Catalog, with more coming soon.
- ★ All data is publicly available except for most HST data < 6 months old and JWST data < 12 months old



Data Management System (DMS)

- ★ The data management system controls the flow of science and engineering data through the data calibration pipelines and into the archive (MAST).
- ★ Multiple data pipelines (workflows):
 - ★ New science from the telescope (four active instruments on HST)
 - ★ Reprocessed science data due to changes in software or calibration data
 - ★ Engineering data including spacecraft meta-data and jitter
 - ★ Mission schedules (planned observations)
 - ★ Spacecraft ephemerides



Data Calibration

GOAL: Convert an image from raw pixel counts on the detector to a source flux (number of photons emitted).

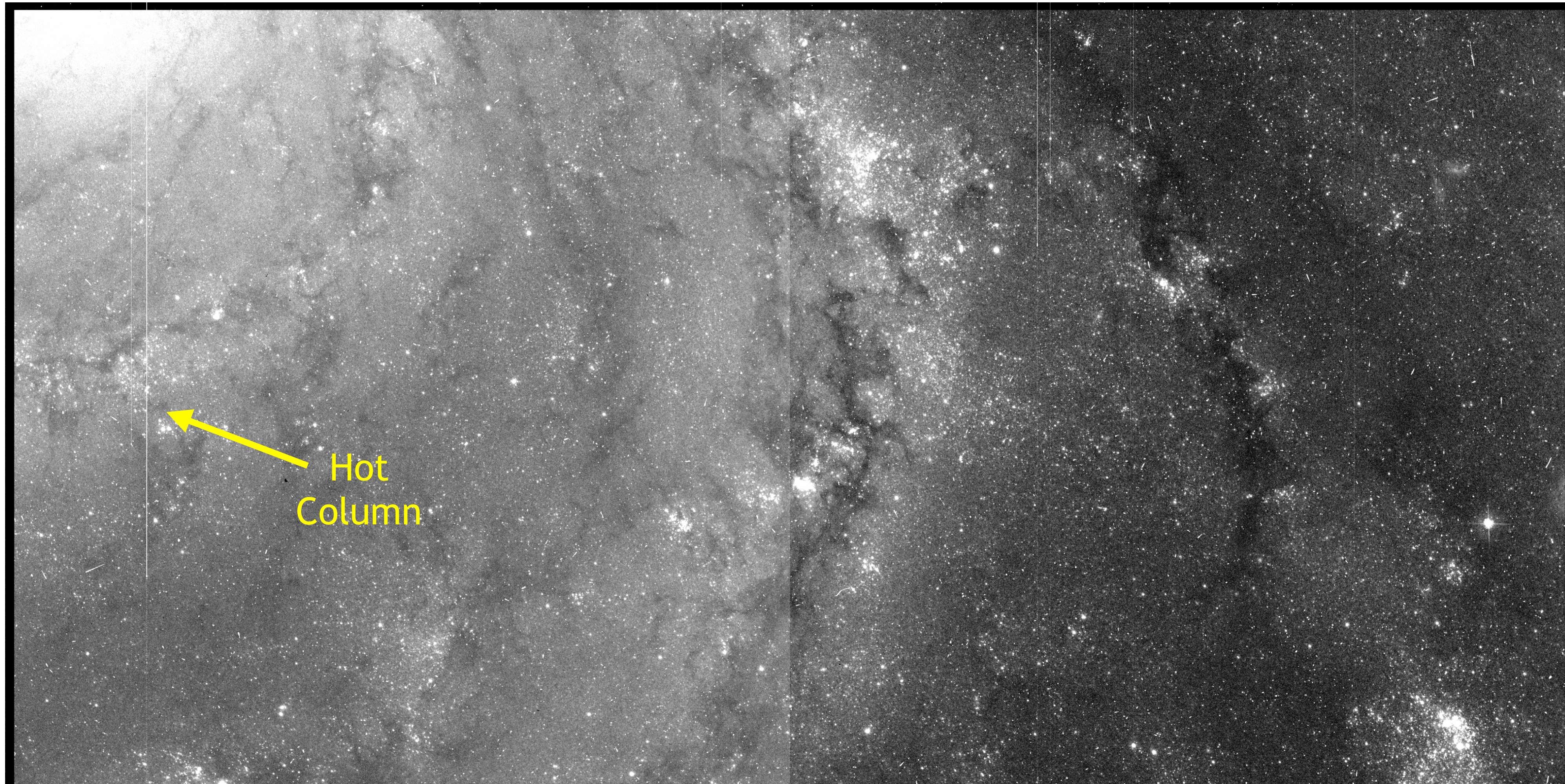
To solve this problem, one needs to account for:

- Detector bias: counts in a detector readout when no exposure is taken
- Dark current: spurious counts during an exposure due to noise in the detector
- Flat-field: pixel-to-pixel variations in detector efficiency
- CTE correction: pixel-to-pixel charge-transfer efficiency
- Combined/drizzled exposures: Long observations are broken into multiple exposures and combined in processing to increase the signal-to-noise ratio



Raw Data

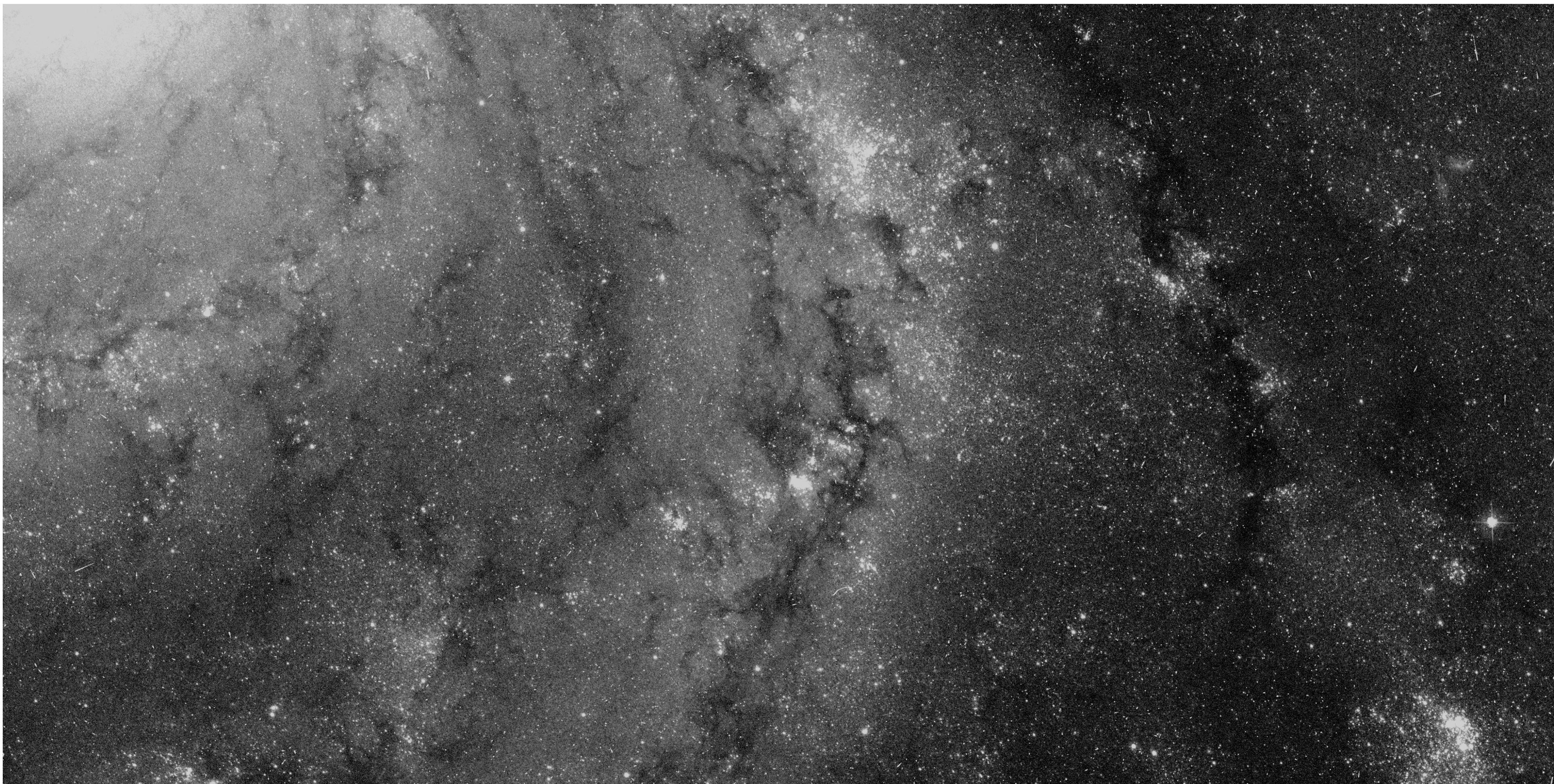
Advance Camera for Surveys (ACS) image of M101 (Pinwheel Galaxy)



Two amplifiers with different bias levels



Bias Corrected & Flat-Fielded



Cosmetic artifacts in the image have been removed

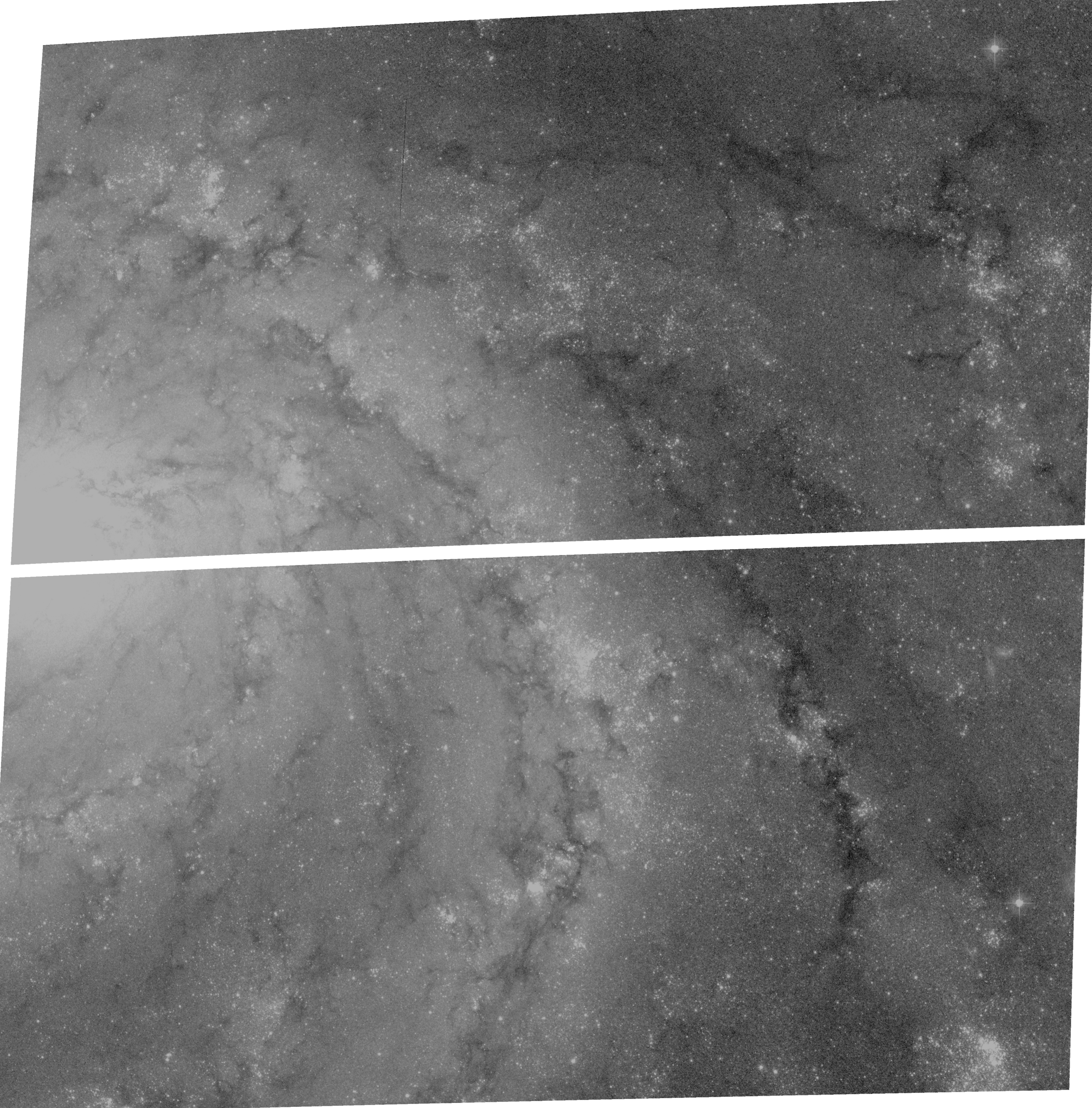


Final Product

Multiple images are combined to form the final product.

Cosmic ray hits have been removed.

This shows both CCDs in the instrument (previous slides only had the lower one).





HTCondor Use at STScI

- HST previously used an in-house workflow manager called OPUS
- OPUS featured
 - Distributed processing on a pool of machines (shared disk access)
 - A blackboard paradigm for distributing work
- OPUS was reevaluated under a trade-study in 2011 to choose the workflow management system for JWST
 - HTCondor was chosen for use with custom-made OWL (Orchestrated Workflow Layer) add-on
 - The HST Mission Office decided to allow OPUS to be phased out for HST processing in favor of HTCondor/OWL
- OPUS was gradually phased out and was fully retired in Feb. 2018.



Why HTCondor?

- Better performance and flexibility for large processing runs
- Capability to add machines when needed, then release them for normal operational loads
- A more maintainable, reliable system in the future
 - OPUS was developed in-house, but the expertise had left
 - Huge HTCondor user base (with conferences and everything)
- OPUS could not handle the large data processing needs of JWST. Converting HST to HTCondor had the advantages of
 - Operators and developers only need to know one system
 - Use HST to gain HTCondor expertise before JWST launch and operations



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 - A job-tracking database table (the blackboard) that captures every step in the workflow populated and updated by HTCondor job hooks
 - Template-driven workflow generation (“DAGs on-the-fly”) using the Jinja2 template engine



DAGs-on-the-Fly

- DAG templates

```
# Job definitions.
JOB 2FITS sdp_edt2fits_{{ dataset }}.job
JOB RF sdp_bestref_{{ dataset }}.job
JOB BC sdp_before_calib_{{ dataset }}.job
JOB CA sdp_calibration_{{ dataset }}.job
JOB MD sdp_astrodriizzle_{{ dataset }}.job
JOB AC sdp_after_calib_{{ dataset }}.job
JOB INGEST_SCI archive_submit_{{ dataset }}.job
JOB PVW sdp_preview_{{ dataset }}.job
JOB CL sdp_clean_{{ dataset }}.job

# Relationships.
PARENT 2FITS CHILD RF
PARENT RF CHILD BC
PARENT BC CHILD CA
PARENT CA CHILD MD
PARENT MD CHILD AC
PARENT AC CHILD INGEST_SCI
PARENT INGEST_SCI CHILD PVW
PARENT PVW CHILD CL

# Condor priorities
PRIORITY 2FITS      50
PRIORITY RF         55
PRIORITY BC         60
PRIORITY CA         65
PRIORITY MD         70
PRIORITY AC         75
PRIORITY INGEST_SCI 85
PRIORITY PVW        80
PRIORITY CL         90
```

sdp_prearch_wf3.dag



DAGs-on-the-Fly

- DAGs are created for specific datasets
(here WFC3 datasets idkv02010 and idkv02020)

```
> condor_q
```

```
-- Schedd: [redacted] @ 05/21/18 15:57:15
OWNER  BATCH_NAME                SUBMITTED   DONE    RUN    IDLE  TOTAL  JOB_IDS
[redacted] sdp_prearch_wf3_idkv02010.dag+5640228  5/21 15:28      3      1      _      9 5640362.0
[redacted] sdp_prearch_wf3_idkv02020.dag+5640230  5/21 15:28      4      1      _      9 5640525.0
```

```
4 jobs; 0 completed, 0 removed, 0 idle, 4 running, 0 held, 0 suspended
```

```
> condor_q --nobatch
```

```
-- Schedd: [redacted] @ 05/21/18 15:57:26
ID      OWNER                SUBMITTED   RUN_TIME ST PRI SIZE  CMD
5640228.0 [redacted] 5/21 15:28 0+00:29:13 R 0 0.3 condor_dagman -f -l . -Debug 3 -Lockfile sdp_prearch_wf3_idkv02010.dag.lock -AutoRescue 1 -DoRescu
5640230.0 [redacted] 5/21 15:28 0+00:29:13 R 0 0.3 condor_dagman -f -l . -Debug 3 -Lockfile sdp_prearch_wf3_idkv02020.dag.lock -AutoRescue 1 -DoRescu
5640362.0 [redacted] 5/21 15:29 0+00:28:21 R 65 977.0 calwf3_OWL.sh
5640525.0 [redacted] 5/21 15:56 0+00:00:44 R 70 0.0 md_xxx_OWL.sh
```

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4 jobs; 0 completed, 0 removed, 0 idle, 4 running, 0 held, 0 suspended
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 - A web app (OWL GUI) for monitoring dataset processing status and other system features



OWL GUI (Data Flow)

Fileset	Process Name	Status	Rescue	Start Time	Completion Time	Controls	State	Exit Code
▶ iccz13q0q	INGEST	○	RESCUE	2018-05-11 18:33:50.0	1970-01-01 00:00:00.0	⏏ 📊 🗑️	Starting	
▶ lcd903010	REPRO_CL	○	RESCUE	2018-05-11 18:33:50.0	1970-01-01 00:00:00.0	⏏ 📊 🗑️	Starting	
▶ iccz13p1q	CL	✔		2018-05-11 18:33:13.0	2018-05-11 18:33:15.293	📊	Exited	0
▶ iccz13ptq	INGEST	⚙️		2018-05-11 18:33:12.0	1970-01-01 00:00:00.0	⏏ 📊 🗑️	Running	
▶ iccz13psq	INGEST	⚙️		2018-05-11 18:33:01.0	1970-01-01 00:00:00.0	⏏ 📊 🗑️	Running	
▶ iccz13p2q	CL	✔		2018-05-11 18:32:59.0	2018-05-11 18:33:04.783	📊	Exited	0
▶ iccz13oeq	CL	✔		2018-05-11 18:32:53.0	2018-05-11 18:32:54.13	📊	Exited	0
▶ iccz13pwq	INGEST	⚙️		2018-05-11 18:32:50.0	1970-01-01 00:00:00.0	⏏ 📊 🗑️	Running	
▶ iccz13ozq	CL	✔		2018-05-11 18:32:24.0	2018-05-11 18:32:29.06	📊	Exited	0
▶ idlx08030	CL	✔		2018-05-11 18:32:22.0	2018-05-11 18:32:28.147	📊	Exited	0
▶ iccz13pqq	INGEST	⚙️		2018-05-11 18:32:22.0	1970-01-01 00:00:00.0	⏏ 📊 🗑️	Running	



OWL GUI (Data Flow For a Single Dataset)

▼ idlx08030	CL	✓		2018-05-11 18:32:22.0	2018-05-11 18:32:28.147	📈	Exited	0
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Show 25 entries

Search:

Fileset	Process Name	Status	Start Time	Completion Time	Lastest Rescued	State	Exit Code	Owner
idlx08030	CL	Exited	2018-05-11 18:32:22.0	2018-05-11 18:32:28.147	None	Exited	0	
idlx08030	INGEST	Exited	2018-05-11 18:20:36.0	2018-05-11 18:32:08.713	None	Exited	0	
idlx08030	CL	Exited	2018-05-11 17:07:09.0	2018-05-11 17:07:10.33	None	Exited	0	
idlx08030	PWW	Exited	2018-05-11 17:05:01.0	2018-05-11 17:07:01.373	None	Exited	0	
idlx08030	INGEST_SCI	Exited	2018-05-11 17:03:01.0	2018-05-11 17:04:52.457	None	Exited	0	
idlx08030	AC	Exited	2018-05-11 17:02:48.0	2018-05-11 17:02:49.967	None	Exited	0	
idlx08030	MD	Exited	2018-05-11 17:00:06.0	2018-05-11 17:02:39.637	None	Exited	0	
idlx08030	CA	Exited	2018-05-11 14:49:43.0	2018-05-11 16:59:57.987	None	Exited	0	
idlx08030	BC	Exited	2018-05-11 14:49:30.0	2018-05-11 14:49:33.723	None	Exited	0	
idlx08030	RF	Exited	2018-05-11 14:49:09.0	2018-05-11 14:49:21.61	None	Exited	0	
idlx08030	2FITS	Exited	2018-05-11 14:48:45.0	2018-05-11 14:48:57.177	None	Exited	0	

Fileset	Process Name	Status	Start Time	Completion Time	Lastest Rescued	State	Exit Code	Owner
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Managing Datasets

- OWL allows us to specify and feed data processing runs into the system
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Queue Processing

DESCRIPTION: Shows DPQ_DB.DpQueue table entries for workflows that have not yet been started by the Shoveler task, or for informational message workflowTypes that communicate status of processing where a workflow could not yet be started for a fileset. The Actions column provides a trash icon that, when selected, will result in deletion of the table row from the DPQ_DB.DpQueue database table. This can be used to remove informational message lines that have been looked into and are no longer needed. Once the Shoveler picks up an entry from the DPQ_DB.DpQueue table, the row on this display will disappear, and migrate to the DPQ_DB.DpQueueHist table, and be visible on the History tab.



🔄 Refresh

🧹 Clear Filters

Show 25 rows ▼

Show/Hide columns ▼

Show 25 entries

Search:

Actions	File Set	Priority	Workflow Type	Insert Date	Shovel Date
	idp507czq	15	wf3_single_repro	2018-05-09 20:36:18.767	
	idp507d0q	15	wf3_single_repro	2018-05-09 20:36:18.913	
	idp507d1q	15	wf3_single_repro	2018-05-09 20:36:19.03	
	idp507d2q	15	wf3_single_repro	2018-05-09 20:36:19.18	
	idp507d3q	15	wf3_single_repro	2018-05-09 20:36:19.327	
	idp507d4q	15	wf3_single_repro	2018-05-09 20:36:19.48	



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```
HTCondor — mburger@dmsops1:~ — ssh dmsops1 — 103x25
Last login: Fri May 11 16:48:41 UTC 2018 on pts/7
[redacted] > shoveler_status.py

-----
DPQ entries for [redacted] as of Fri May 11 18:12:49 2018
priority      type      unshoveled entries
-----
77      ingest_pvw      92
15      cos_asn_repro    3148
15      cos_single_repro 4034
15      reingest_pvw     8765
15      wf3_asn_repro    8864
15      wf3_single_repro 24435
0       awaiting_gsa_jit  5
0       awaiting_sci_jit  3
0       collecting_asn_sci 1
0       collecting_eng     28

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TOTAL DPQ entries:      49375
[redacted] > █
```




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OWL Pollers

Start/Stop	Status	Poller	Last Update	Interval
<input type="checkbox"/>	—	repro_manager	2017-09-26 11:04:06.8070000	120
<input type="checkbox"/>	—	rescue_me	2017-09-26 11:05:26.6630000	120
<input type="checkbox"/>	—	SHOVELER	2017-09-13 18:19:42.8470000	120
<input type="checkbox"/>	—	CRDS	2017-09-25 19:35:13.0600000	60
<input type="checkbox"/>	—	CSUM_COS	2017-09-26 11:05:18.6400000	60
<input type="checkbox"/>	—	CSUM_STI	2017-03-17 18:56:40.1270000	60
<input type="checkbox"/>	—	dan	2017-09-26 11:05:19.0500000	60
<input type="checkbox"/>	—	dlg	2000-01-01 00:00:00.0000000	60
<input type="checkbox"/>	—	DP_ACS_OWL	2017-09-26 11:05:58.0500000	60
<input type="checkbox"/>	—	DP_COS_OWL	2017-09-26 11:05:51.9200000	60
<input type="checkbox"/>	—	DP_STI_OWL	2017-09-26 11:05:55.4870000	60
<input type="checkbox"/>	—	DP_WF3_OWL	2017-09-26 11:05:58.0870000	60
<input type="checkbox"/>	—	jit	2000-01-01 00:00:00.0000000	60
<input type="checkbox"/>	—	pnm	2017-09-26 11:05:17.3830000	60
<input type="checkbox"/>	—	tnm	2000-01-01 00:00:00.0000000	60






Managing Datasets

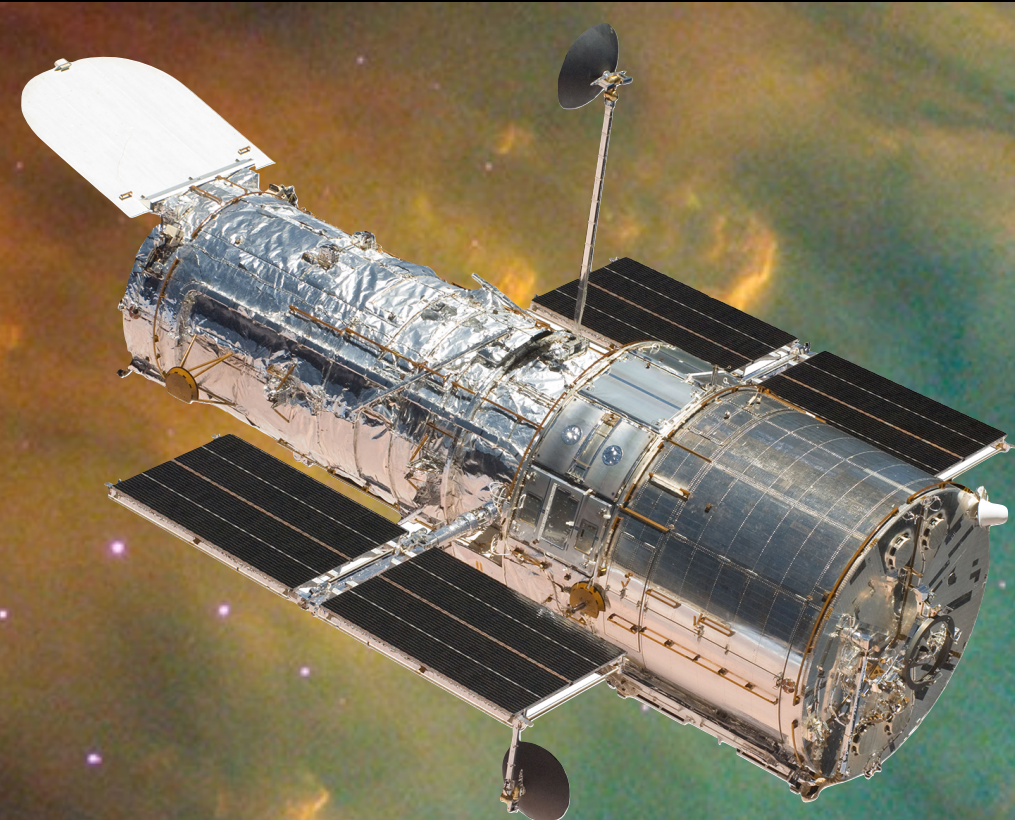
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 - The DPQ is populated by Pollers which watch target directories for new files. When new files are found, workflows are added to the DPQ table.
 - The Shoveler governs the order and rate at which DPQ entries are sent through the OWL workflow template generator to be transformed into executing DAGMan jobs on the HTCondor pool
- The rescue server receives rescueDAG requests to re-try a failed workflow



A Failed Workflow

Fileset	Process Name	Status	Rescue	Start Time	Completion Time	Controls	State	Exit Code	Remote Host	Owner
 DAN14448	dan_receipt		RESCUE	2017-09-20 04:26:41.0	2017-09-20 04:26:41.417		Exited	1		
Show <div>10</div> entries <div>Search: <input type="text"/></div>										
Fileset	Process Name	Status	Start Time	Completion Time	Lastest Rescued	State	Exit Code	Owner		
DAN14448	dan_receipt	Exited	2017-09-20 04:26:41.0	2017-09-20 04:26:41.417	None	Exited	1			
Fileset	Process Name	Status	Start Time	Completion Time	Lastest Rescued	State	Exit Code	Owner		
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Future STScI Operations



- ★ The Hubble Space Telescope is the most successful scientific observatory in history
 - ★ Operations are expected to continue into the mid 2020's
- ★ The James Webb Space Telescope will be the premier observatory of the next decade
 - ★ Expected to launch spring 2020
- ★ 6.5 meter segmented mirror optimized for the infrared
- ★ HTCondor + OWL provide a unified system for the data processing pipelines, allowing for efficient calibration and archiving operations.

