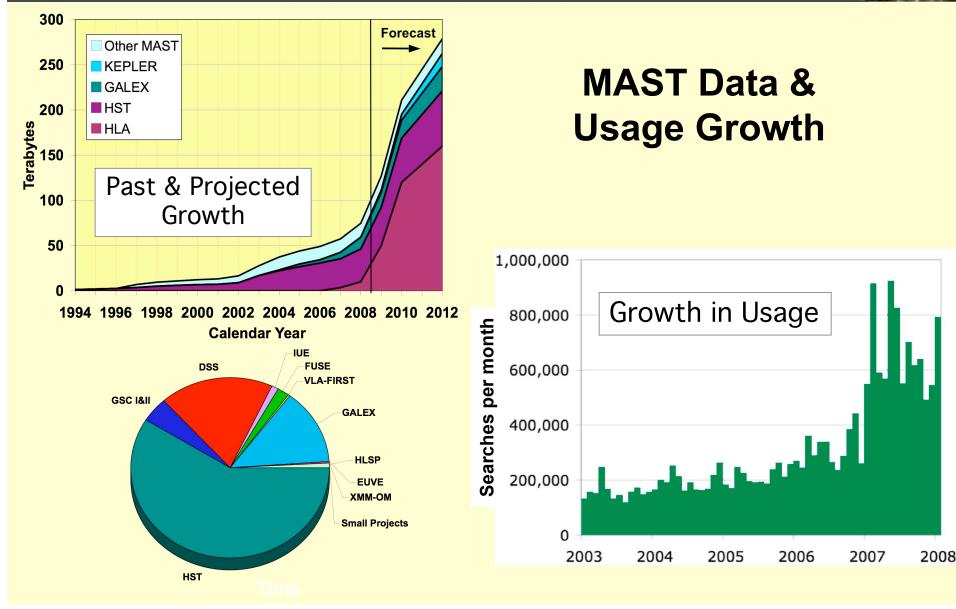


Highlights of MAST Activities

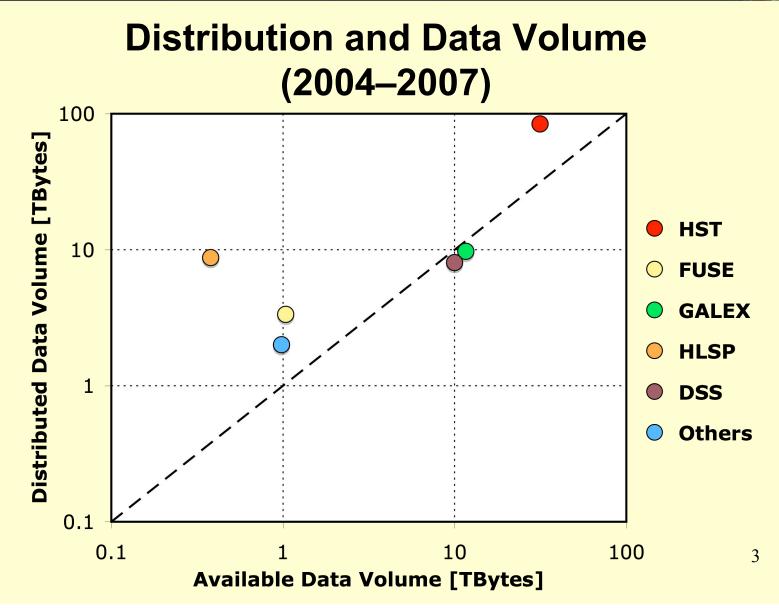
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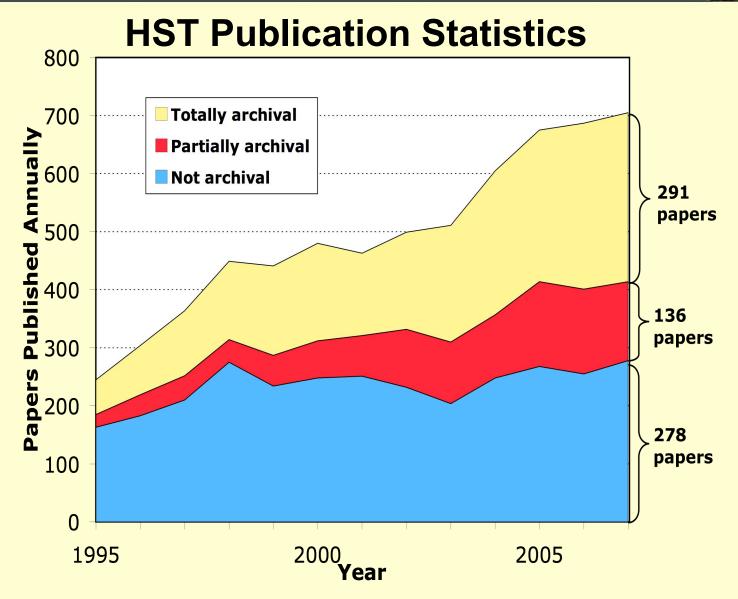
MAST Multimission Archive at Space Telescope



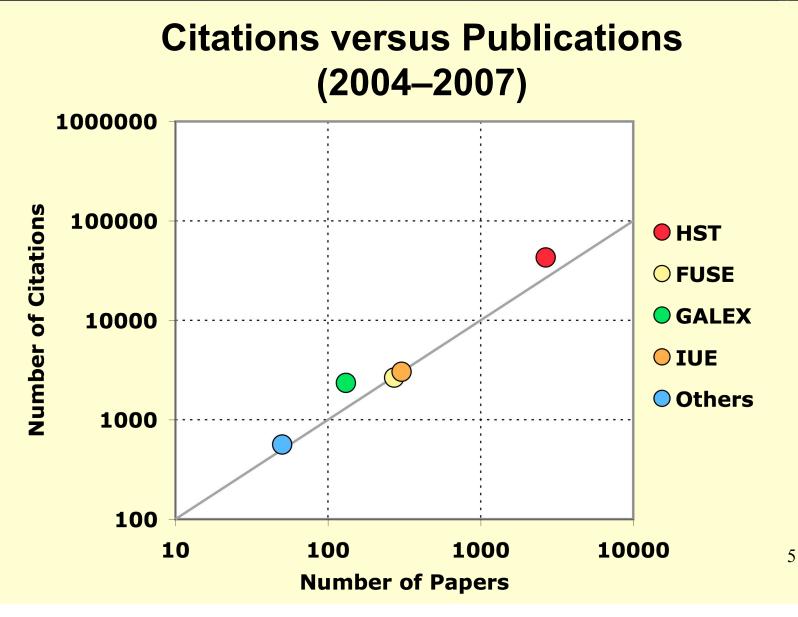






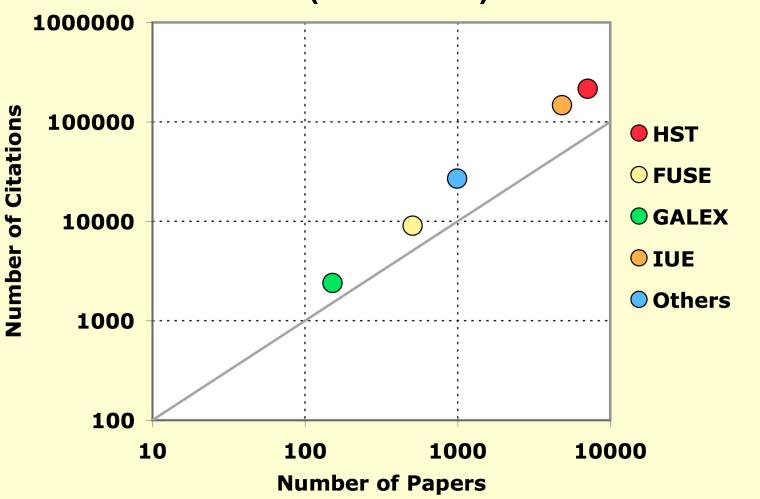








Citations versus Publications (All Years)



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MAST/ASB Staffing Changes

- Departure:
 - Inga Kamp left in December for a faculty position at Univ. of Groningen
- Additions:
 - Theresa Dower (NVO software engineer)
 - November 2007
 - Kim Gillies (HLA/NVO software engineer)
 - February 2008
 - From Gemini South
 - Rachel Somerville (archive scientist)
 - Returned to STScI March 2008



Current ASB & MAST/NVO Staff

Theresa Dower	Tony Rogers
Dorothy Fraquelli	Bernie Shiao
Kim Gillies	Myron Smith
Tim Kimball	Rachel Somerville
Karen Levay	Randy Thompson
Charlie Loomis	Shui-Ay Tseng
Brian McLean	Rick White

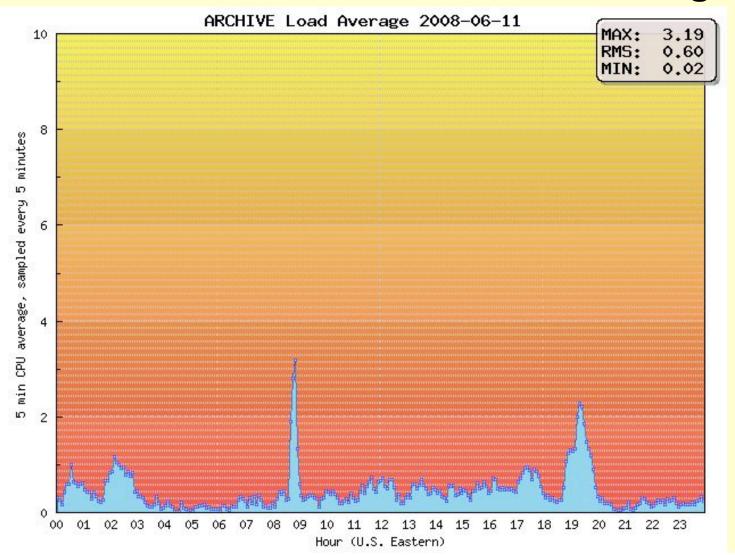
(All are not full-time on MAST/ASB; does not include operations or most Hubble Legacy Archive staff; some are funded through NVO)

2007–2008 Highlights

- Cross-mission activities
 - New web servers in August 2007
 - Many interface enhancements (sortable tables, bigger search results, new name resolver, user forum, ...) [*R. Thompson*]
 - Revised archive handbook
 - NVO: [G.Greene]
 - SSAP/Spectral container work [R. Thompson]
 - Spectral classification project [M.Smith]
 - Google Sky/Microsoft World-Wide Telescope [B.McLean]
- HST
 - Servicing Mission 4 2008 October 8 [C.Biagetti]
 - COS, WFC3, ACS/STIS repair, gyros, batteries, ...
 - Starview retired, "Starview on the Web" is coming
 - WFPC2 closeout work underway [V.Dixon]



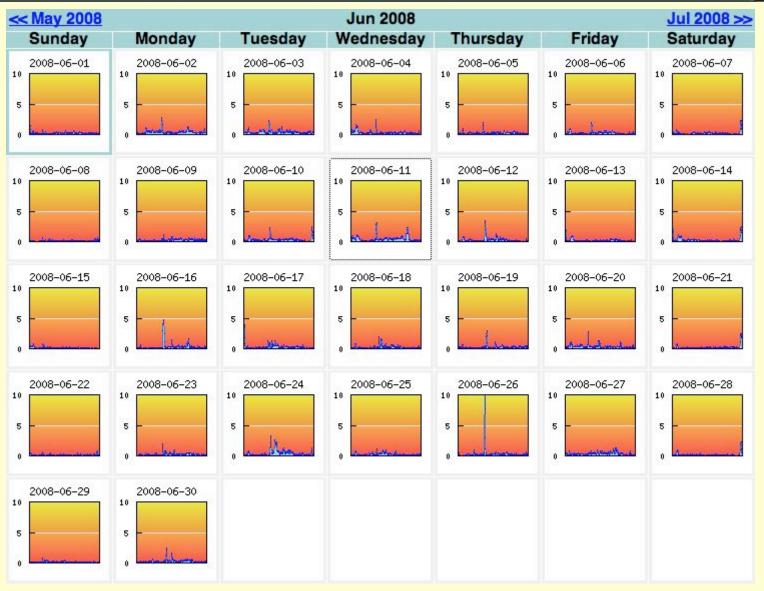
Effect of New Servers on Load Average



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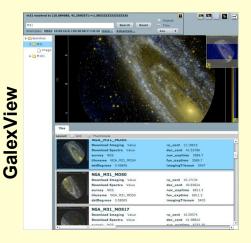




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2007–2008 Highlights

- Hubble Legacy Archive (HLA) [B. Whitmore]
 - Early Data Release (EDR) in July 2007
 - DR1 in February 2008
 - DR2 in August 2008
- FUSE wrapup [M.Romelfanger]
 - Reprocessing complete in August
- GALEX [M.Smith]
 - GR4 release (huge volume, AIS complete)
 - GALEX Map interface released
 - GalexView interface released







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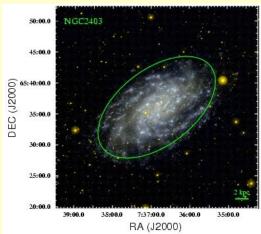
2007–2008 Highlights

- XMM-OM
 - New data added in March
- Swift UVOT
 - Similar to XMM-OM, getting started
- Kepler [D.Fraquelli]
 - Launch still planned for February 2009
 - Basic archive infrastructure and interfaces done
 - Archive user guide



NGC 2403: XMM-OM U, UVW1 (300 nm), UVM2 (230 nm)

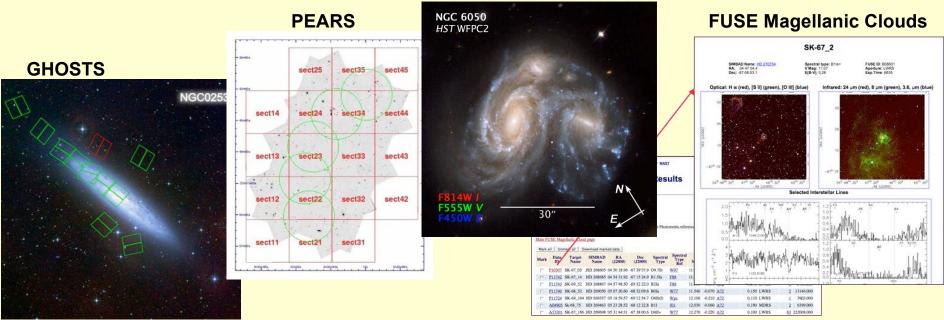
NGC 2403: GALEX Atlas of Nearby Galaxies





HLSP Highlights

- Numerous new High Level Science Products [K.Levay]
 - GOODS v1.9, FUSE Magellanic Cloud, HST 3CR snapshots, STAGES, GHOSTS, PEARS, STIS Next Generation Spectral Library, Merging Galaxies, etc.

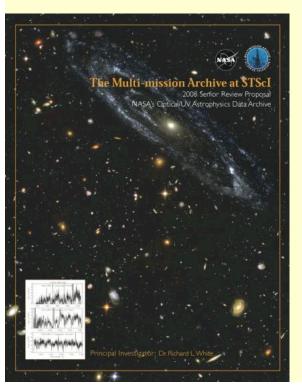


Merging Galaxies



MAST Senior Review

- NASA Senior Review
 - MAST and other NASA archive centers are reviewed by NASA HQ every 4 year to set funding



- Proposal submitted May 16, presentation at HQ June 17
 - All contributed to proposal
 - White, Whitmore, McLean at presentation
- Major change: HLA included (at directive of NASA)



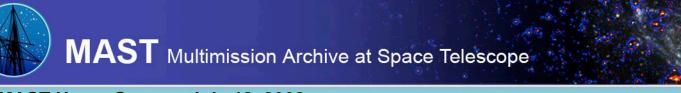
Highlights of Senior Review Proposal

- Support active missions (HST, GALEX, Kepler, XMM-OM, Swift UVOT)
- Fulfill the promise of the HLA project
- Merge HLA, MAST
 - Incorporate all MAST missions into HLA (footprints, interactive display, etc.)
 - Extend MAST capabilities (esp. GALEX) to HLA
- Science keyword index for archive
- Time-domain search tools
- Other science enhancement projects: user workspace, GALEX/SDSS database (with JHU), upgraded Internet bandwidth, ...



MAST Senior Review (cont.)

- Presentation and proposal were well-received
- Major issue: Budget guideline did not include support for HLA
 - Twice the guideline budget is needed for current MAST plus HLA projects
 - Not clear whether the review panel was given the resources to support HLA
- Results expected (according to rumor) in August



2007 MUG Report

- Publicize MAST in AAS newsletter, special AAS sessions

 Nothing done yet...
- *Make home page easier to navigate*
 - HLA link at top level
 - Getting Started page has been enhanced (direct links to tools, other changes) but doesn't replace top page
 - HLA DR1 has a shopping cart (wait to see how that is received)
 - Further improvements planned, but difficult to strike right balance between simplicity, exposing all options



2007 MUG Report (cont.)

- *MAST should not reproduce what NVO does but keep NVO requirements in mind*
 - We concentrate on making our data available as VO services
 - Important to stay involved with VO standards development to ensure suitability for MAST data
 - Note HLA has "VO inside" uses VO protocols for internal communication
- Don't expect users to know SQL (e.g., it's hard to find GALEX data on specific objects)
 - GalexView is a big step forward on this
 - HLA has another style of SQL-free query interface



2007 MUG Report (cont.)

- *GALEX: Cutouts would be useful, add tile number to output, provide additional info on columns, show "Download Images" icon in search results*
 - Working on all of these, GalexView provides some
 - VO SIAP cutouts possible now; cutout access through GalexView planned within the next year
 - Integration of other MAST missions with HLA will make cutouts possible for all imaging missions
 - Aside: Suggestions and comments on buttons, controls, columns, etc., are welcome any time to help@stsci.edu



2007 MUG Report (cont.)

- Get calibrated spectra in ASCII format, error maps on images, detection thresholds for images
 - ASCII format available (maybe could be easier to find)
 - Error maps provided where possible (e.g., in HST/HLA images)
 - Using HLA catalogs for detection threshold assessment