

JWST



The telescope operates from 0.6 to 25um, is diffraction limited beyond 1.6um.

Imaging and spectroscopic instruments, pixel scales matched to wavelength.

Include slit and integral field spectrographs, coronagraphs, sparse aperture masks capability

Launched on Christmas Day 2021, and now making Early Science, Guaranteed Time and Cycle 1 observations

Launch was near perfect, so minimal fuel was needed to place satellite into L2 orbit.

Anticipated lifetime is 10+ years and up to 20 years, but this may not be the limit on lifetime....

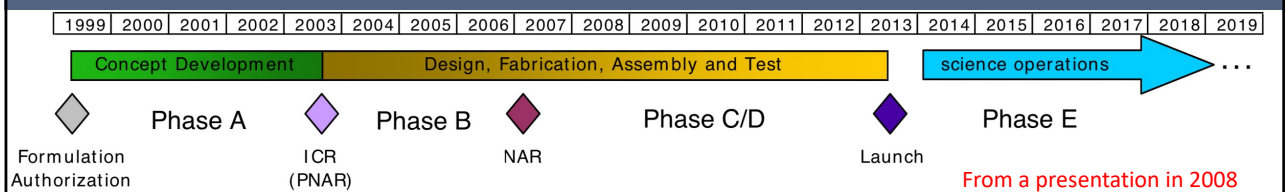
Calibration and full understanding of system is ongoing.

Data reduction pipelines are being updated to deal with data obtained and measured backgrounds.

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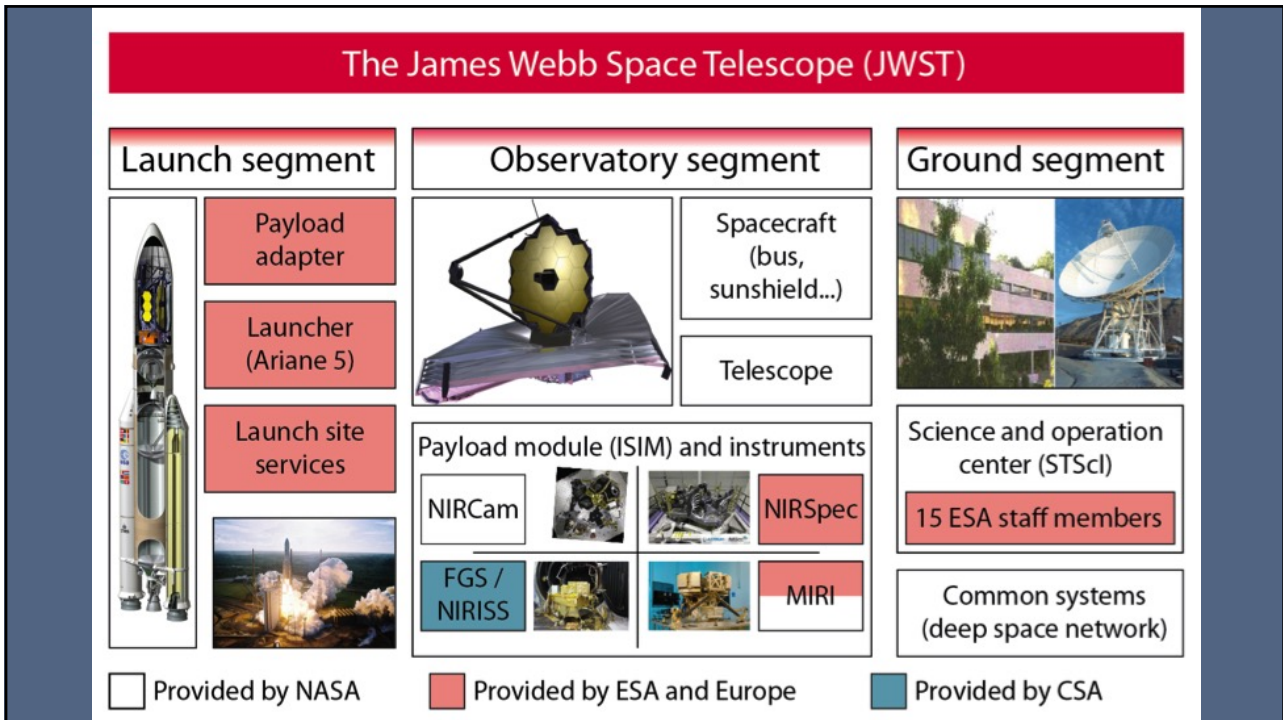
The most ambitious and complex mission

- Conceived in the days when NASA would do things:
- 1990s Better, Faster, Cheaper → Next Generation Space Telescope
- More detailed design increased the budget and timescale
- 2002 NGST renamed JWST and moved to Phase B

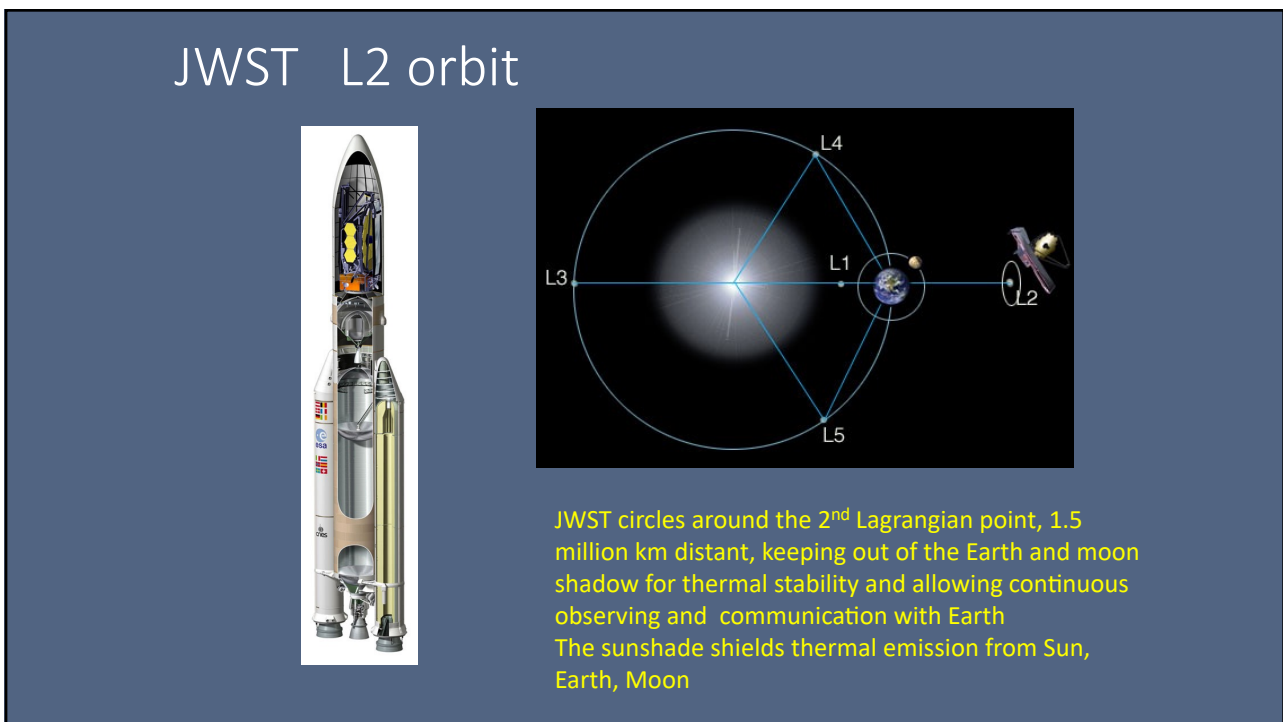


The 2010 Casani review found that the budget was 'badly flawed' Launch date no sooner than September 2015, and cost of \$6.5B

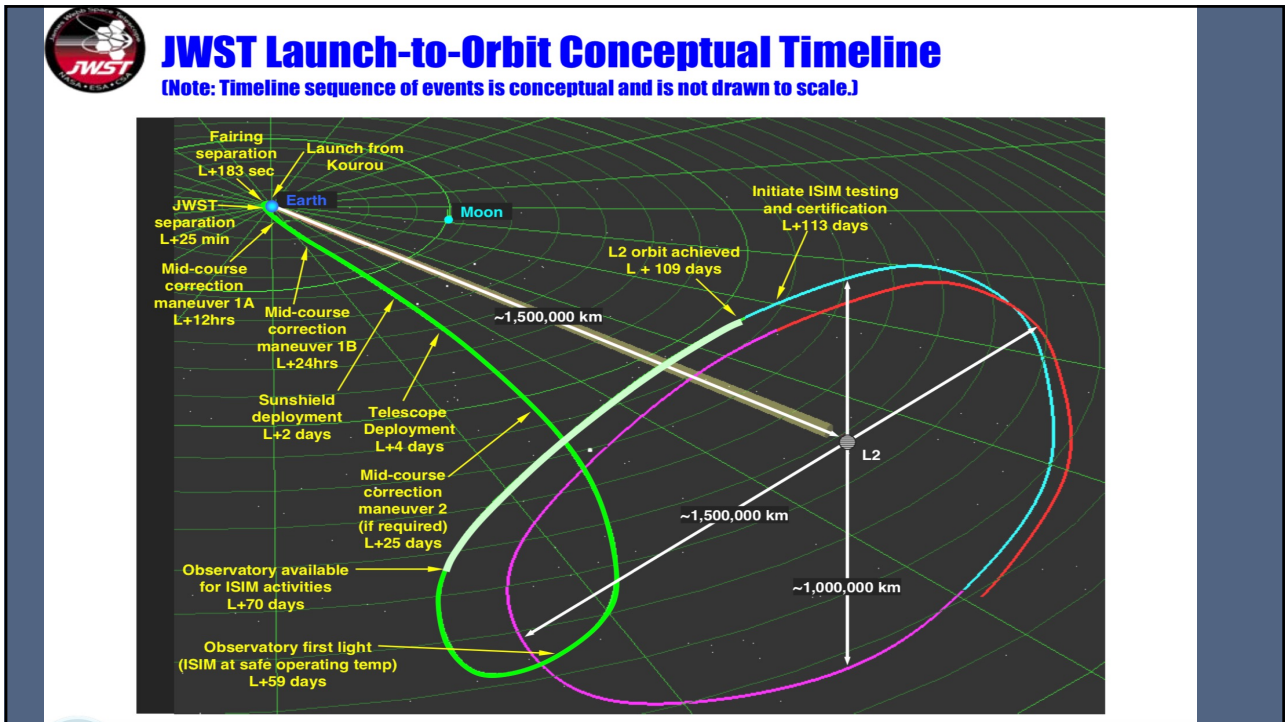
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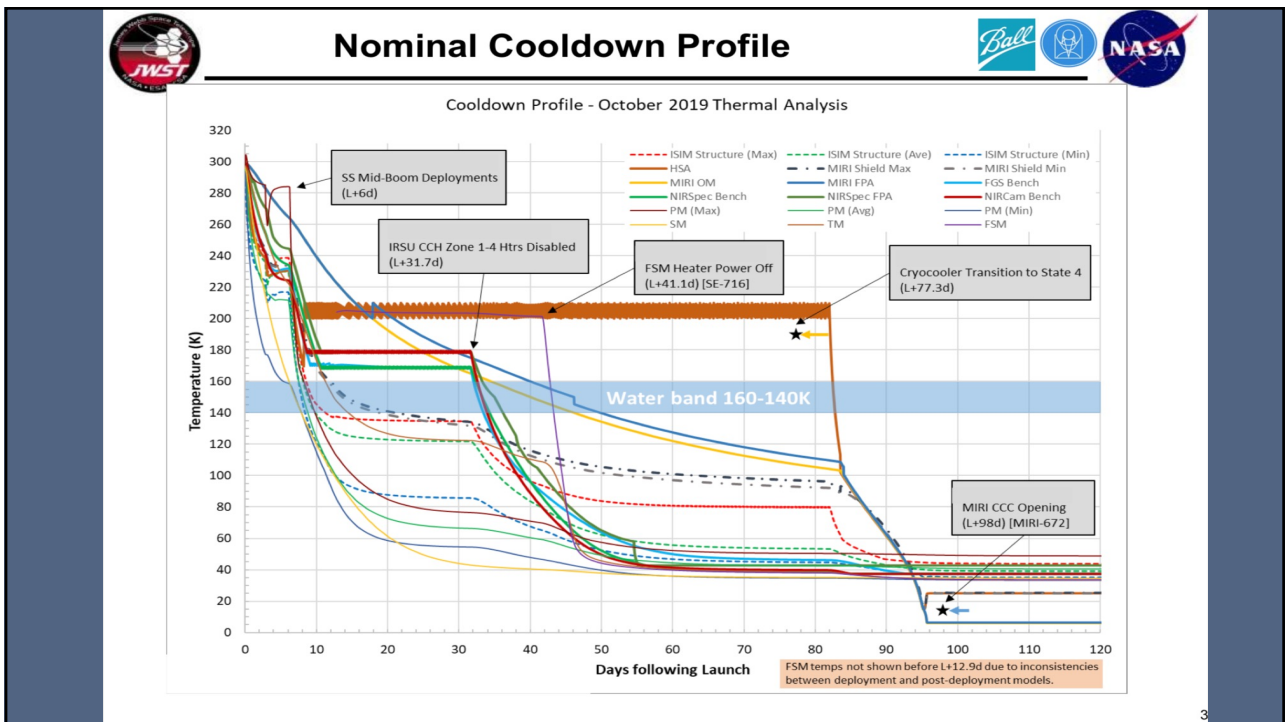
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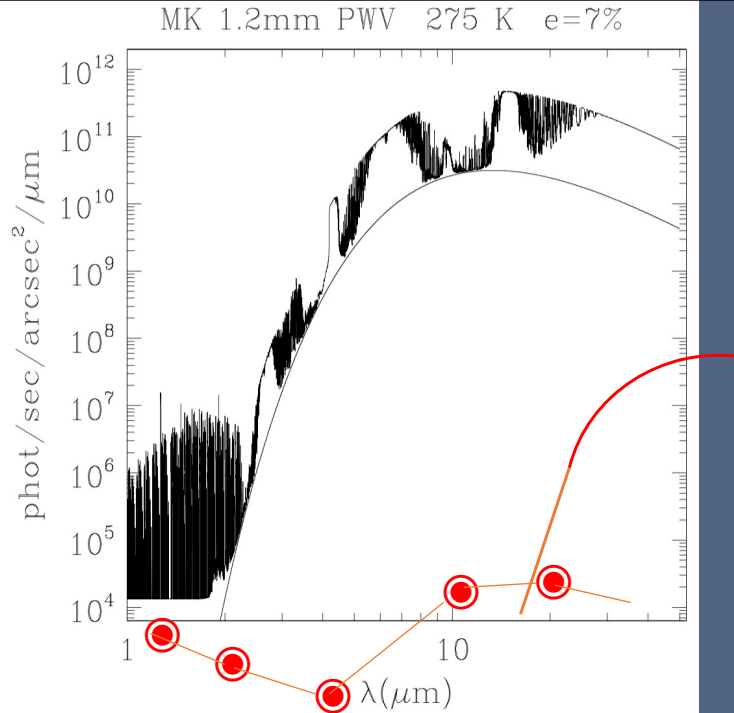
IR Background

JWST is passively cooled with a predicted equilibrium temperature <50K, depending on spacecraft attitude.

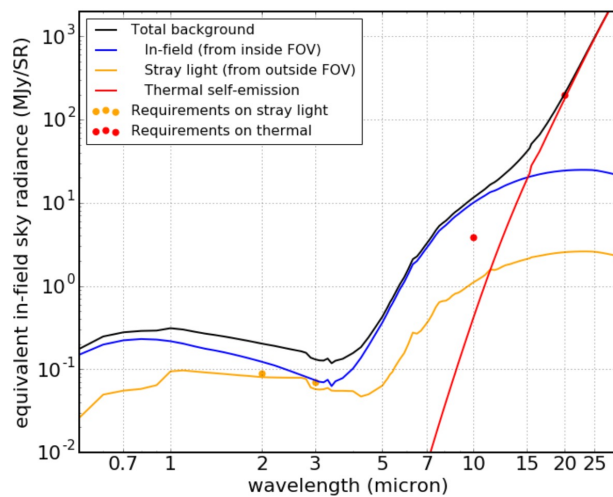
The secondary has less thermal load and has $T < 30K$, but M1 mirror segments are warmer.

With $T(\text{eff}) \sim 40K$, the peak of the thermal emission is 7x longer than a terrestrial telescope with much less power ($\sim T^4$).

The photon background from the ZL at L2 is indicated by 



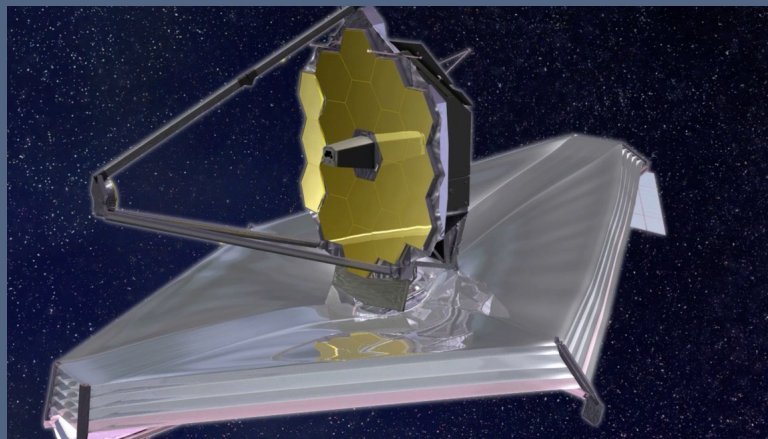
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This example is for the benchmark pointing (ecliptic Long, Lat = 266.3°, -50.0°, RA, Dec (J2000) = 17^h26^m44^s -73°19'56"), chosen to have a zodiacal emission that is 20% higher than the celestial minimum, and to be a stressing case for stray light. In this example, in-field emission from the zodiacal cloud and the Milky Way (blue curve) dominates the background for most wavelengths below 15 μm. At longer wavelengths, thermal emission from JWST itself (red curve) is the dominant source of background. Stray light (yellow curve) results from zodiacal and Milky Way emission scattered into the field of view, and is a significant fraction of the total background, particularly at 1 to 4 μm. The sum of all these emission components is the total background (black curve).

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JWST Deployment



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James Webb Space Telescope

6.5m diameter telescope: M1 has 18 hexagonal beryllium segments folded into rocket nosecone

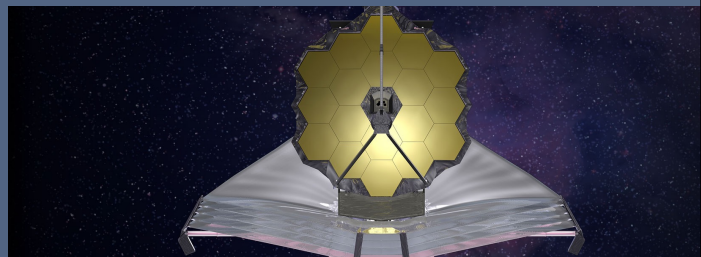
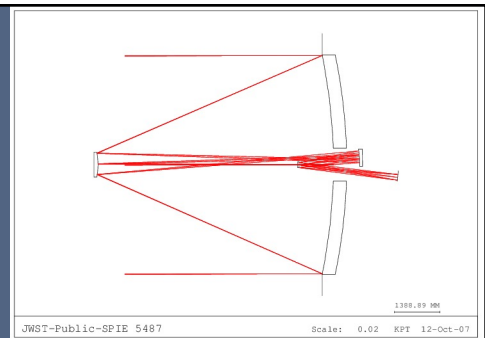
Optical surface polish 14nm RMS

L2 orbit where telescope cools radiatively to 40K, protected by a large sunshield


Secondary mirror supported by a tripod on struts

Three mirror anastigmat (TMA) design, f/16.7, 29.4 m² collecting area

- Elliptical f/1.2 Primary Mirror*
- Hyperbolic Secondary Mirror creates f/9 intermediate image*
- Elliptical Tertiary Mirror images pupil at*
- Flat Fine Steering Mirror which sends beam to instruments*



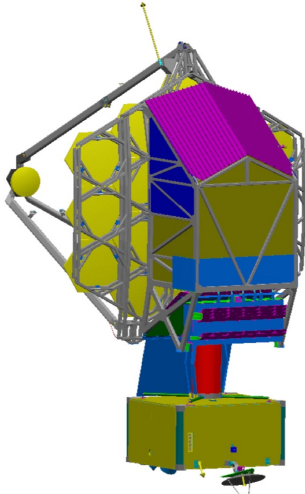
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The science payload is integrated to avoid duplication of common science instrument systems

ISIM is:

- The JWST Science Instruments
- Associated Infrastructure: Structure, C&DH, & FSW



Region 1

- Science Instrument Optics Assemblies
- Near Infrared Camera (NIRCam)**
- Near Infrared Spectrograph (NIRSpec)**
- Mid Infrared Instrument (MIRI)**
- Fine Guidance Sensor and Tunable Filter (FGS/TF)**
- Optical Bench Structure
- Radiators and support structure (NGST-supplied)


Region 2

- Focal Plane Electronics (FPE)
- Instrument Control Electronics (ICE, MCE)
- ISIM Remote Services Unit (IRSU)

Region 3

- ISIM Command & Data Handling (ICDH) Electronics
- MIRI Cryocooler Electronics

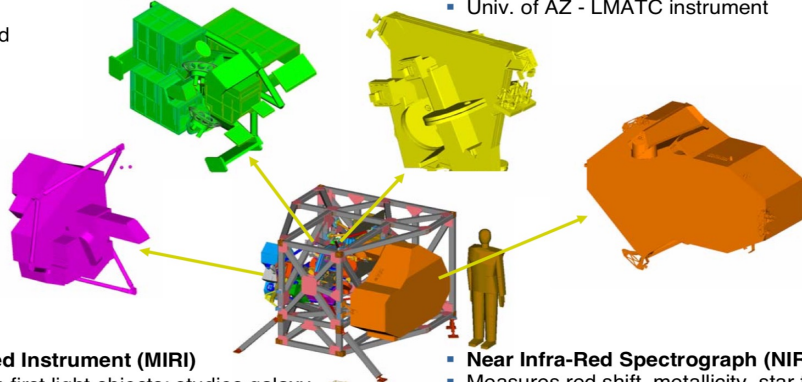
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Instrument Overview

- **Fine Guidance Sensor (FGS)**
- Ensures guide star availability with >95% probability at any point in the sky
- Includes Narrowband Imaging Tunable Filter Module
- CSA provided

- **Near Infra-Red Camera (NIRCam)**
- Detects first light galaxies and observes galaxy assembly sequence
- 0.6 to 5 microns
- Supports Wavefront Sensing & Control
- Univ. of AZ - LMATC instrument



- **Mid-Infra-Red Instrument (MIRI)**
- Distinguishes first light objects; studies galaxy evolution; explores protostars & their environs
- Imaging and spectroscopy capability
- 5 to 27 microns
- Cooled to 7K by Cyro-cooler
- Combined ESA/JPL contributions

- **Near Infra-Red Spectrograph (NIRSpec)**
- Measures red shift, metallicity, star formation rate in first light galaxies
- 0.6 to 5 microns
- Simultaneous spectra of >100 objects
- Resolving powers of ~100 and ~1000
- ESA provided with NASA Detectors & Micro shutter

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JWST Constraints

Orbit at L2, provides thermal stability

The sunshield provides at least 39% sky coverage

'Field of Regard' is the observable cone allowed by the requirement to keep the telescope in shade. It is an annulus with rotational symmetry about the L2-Sun axis, 50° wide

The telescope has full sky coverage over a sidereal year

Maximum object observability is near the ecliptic poles

The diagram shows the North Ecliptic Pole at the top, with a 5° angle to the 'Continuous Coverage Zone North' and a 45° angle to the 'Continuous Coverage Zone South'. A 360° arc indicates the telescope's rotation. The graph below plots 'Duration [Days]' on the y-axis (0 to 400) against 'Ecliptic Latitude [Degrees]' on the x-axis (0 to 90). A red line represents the 'Single Visibility Window' and a blue line represents 'Visibility for Year'. The blue line shows a step-like increase in duration as ecliptic latitude increases, reaching approximately 370 days at 90 degrees.

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These simulated, pre-launch images show diffraction spikes from secondary support struts and print through from hexagonal segment gaps and phase shifts

In-flight performance generally exceeds expectations

	images binned to 0.060" pixels (NIRCam=0.065")		log ₁₀ stretch	linear stretch
F444W				
F200W				

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NIRCAM U Arizona + Lockheed Martin

Near Infrared Camera (NIRCam)

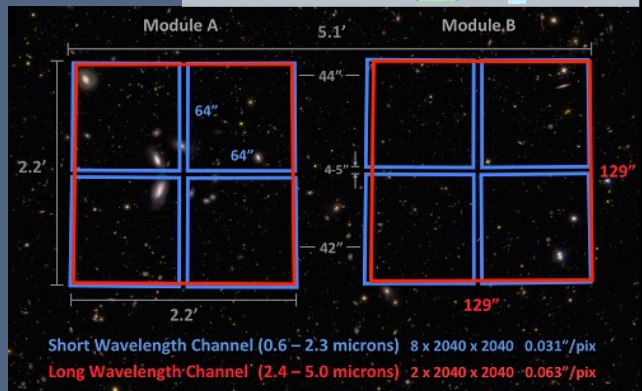
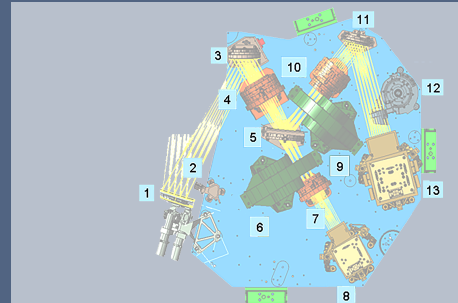
At a Glance:

	Short Wavelength Channel	Long Wavelength Channel
Wavelength Range	0.6 – 2.3 μm	2.4 – 5.0 μm
Nyquist Wavelength	2.0 μm	4.0 μm
Fields of View *	2 x 2.2' x 2.2' (with 4-5" gaps)	2 x 2.2' x 2.2'
Imaging Pixels	8 x 2040 x 2040 pixels	2 x 2040 x 2040 pixels
Pixel Scale	0.032" / pixel	0.065" / pixel
Grism Slitless Spectroscopy	(wavefront sensing across mirror edges)	R = 1400 – 1800
Coronagraphy	round: 2.1 μm occulters + Lyot stops	round: 3.35, 4.3 μm bar: 2.8 – 5.0 μm

* Two modules image adjacent fields in both channels simultaneously.

Teledyne HgCdTe H2RG detectors
 Full frames are read out non-destructively every 10.74 seconds
 Smallest subarray 64x64 read out in 49 ms (shortest exposure time)

<http://ircamera.as.arizona.edu/nircam/instrument/overview.php#>

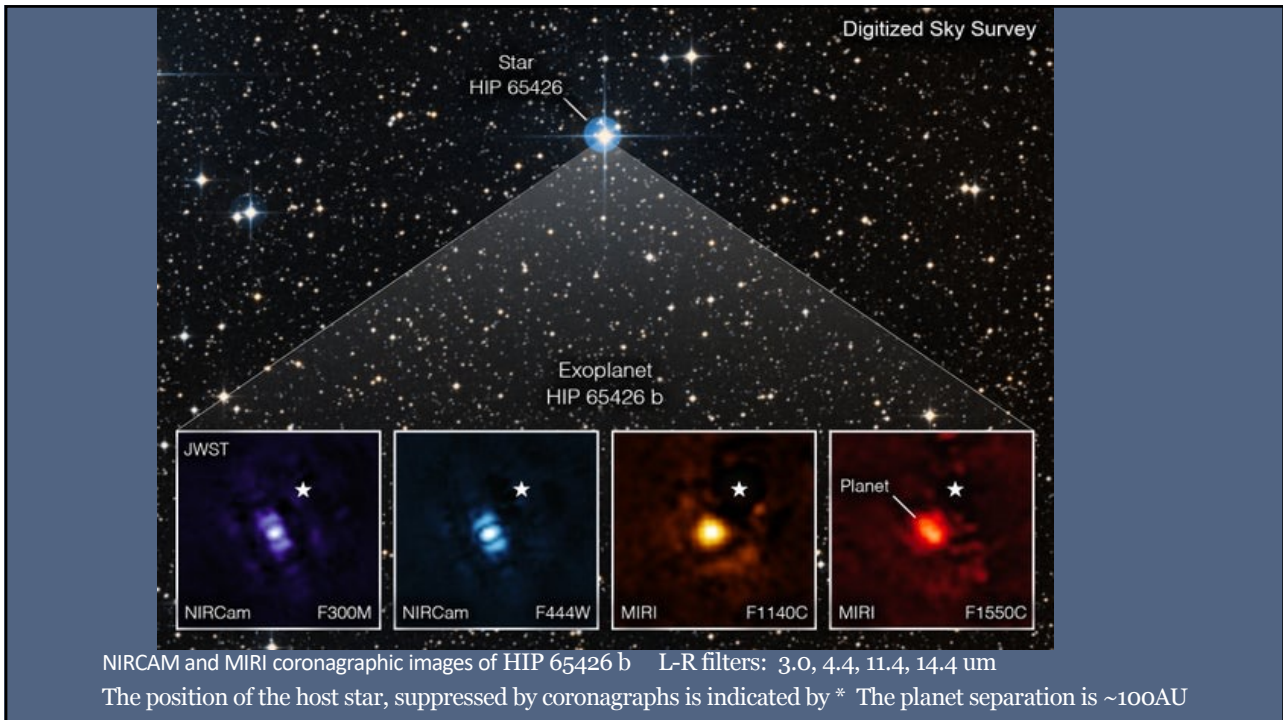


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Image produced from HST (blue) and JWST of a foreground spiral overlapping a background galaxy



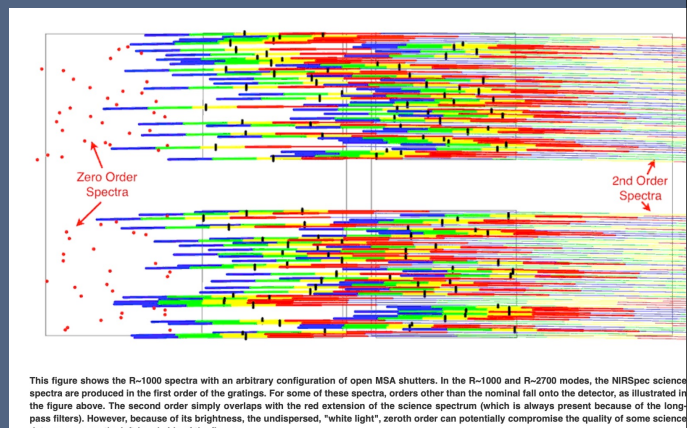
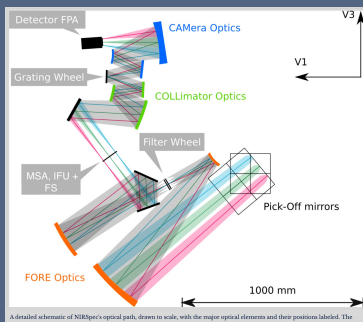
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NIRSPEC Near – IR spectrograph offering:

- $0.6\mu\text{m} < \lambda < 5.3\mu\text{m}$
- $R \sim 100, 1000, 2700$
- Micro Shutter Assembly multi-object spectroscopy over 3 arcmin field
 - Up to 100 objects measured simultaneously via 250,000 microshutter mirrors
- Slit spectroscopy fixed slit widths
 - 0.2, 0.4 1.6 arcsec
- Integral Field spectroscopy
 - 3×3 arc sec fov, 0.1 arcsec sampling
- with 3 settings for complete coverage



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NIRSPEC transit spectroscopy of WASP39B

E.M. Ahrer et al 2022

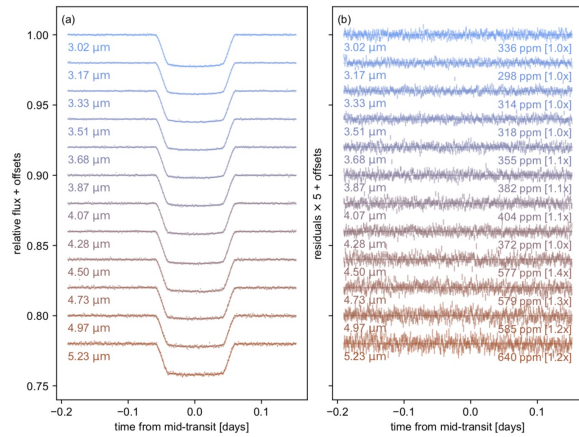


Figure 1: JWST NIRSpec time-series data for WASP-39b. a) Spectroscopic light curves for WASP-39b's transit with a spectral resolving power of 20 and a time cadence of 1 minute (data are binned and offset vertically for display purposes only). An exoplanet light curve model was fitted to the data using a quadratic limb darkening law with an exponential ramp and a quadratic function of time removed. b) Residuals of the binned light curve after subtracting the transit model scaled up by a factor of five to show the structure. The RMS of the residuals are given in units of ppm. The numbers in brackets are the ratio of the RMS to the predicted photon-limited noise.

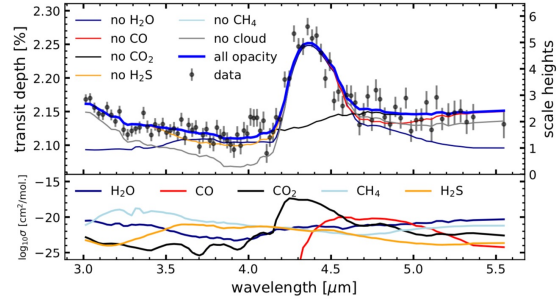


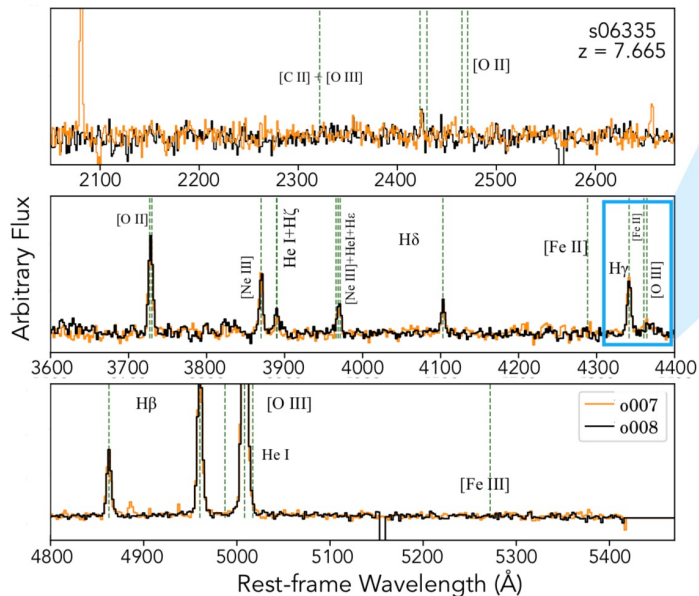
Figure 3: Interpretation of WASP-39b's transmission spectrum. The top panel shows a comparison of the FIREFLY reduction to the best-fit ScCHIMERA theoretical model binned to the resolution of the data (blue curve, see Methods). The key parameters of the model are 10x solar metallicity, carbon-to-oxygen ratio of 0.35, and cloud opacity of $7 \times 10^3 \text{ cm}^2/\text{g}$. The impact of the opacity sources expected from thermochemical equilibrium over the full bandpass are indicated by removing the opacity contribution from individual gasses one at a time. As in Figure 2, the axis on the right shows equivalent scale heights in WASP-39b's atmosphere. The bottom panel shows the molecular absorption cross-sections for each gas in the best-fit model. The model is well matched to the data ($\chi^2/N_{\text{data}}=1.3$), suggesting that our assumptions broadly capture the important physics and chemistry in WASP-39b's atmosphere. However, there is a feature near 4.0 μm that cannot be reproduced by the models used here. The strong CO_2 absorption (4.1 - 4.6 μm) and the apparent lack of methane (3.0 - 3.5 μm) is what drives the solution to an elevated atmospheric metal enrichment, ruling out previous low metallicity estimates²⁹⁻³¹. The other

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NIRSPEC spectra of lensed galaxies

K.Z. ARELLANO-CÓRDOVA et al 2022

- MSA spectra of galaxies in the SMACS J0723.3-732 cluster field
- $Z \sim 7-8$
- Spectra from 1.7-5um
- Estimates of :
 - Redshift
 - Extinction,
 - Abundances C,O,Ne
 - Nebular properties Te, ne
- Calibrations ongoing



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MIRI Mid-Infrared Imager/Spectrometer

Imaging: 74 x 113 arcsec fov

- sampled at 0.11 arc sec/pixel
- 5-28um with 9 broad band filters
- Quadrant Phase and Lyot Coronagraphs at 10 - 23 um

Spectroscopy :

Low resolution ($R \sim 100$) at 5-12um, slit or slitless

Medium Resolution ($R \sim 2000-3000$)

- Covered by 4 IFUs with 3 grating settings for complete coverage
- Currently paused pending investigation of an 'anomaly'

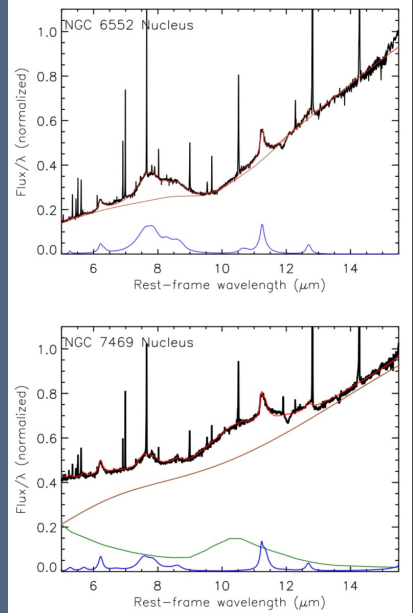
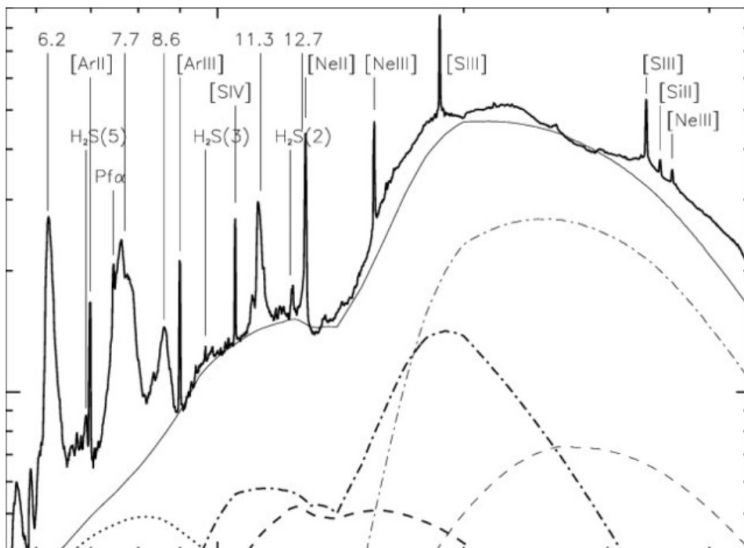


Fig. C.1. Mid-IR spectral modelling of the nuclear regions of NGC 6552 (top panel) and NGC 7469 (bottom panel) using PAHFIT. The JWST/MRS rest-frame spectra and model fits correspond to the solid black and red lines. We show the continuum (solid brown lines) and the fitted PAH features (solid blue lines). The silicate feature in emission (solid green line) is included for the fit of NGC 7469.

Garcia Bernete et al 2022

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Figure

Caption

Fig. 4. SWS spectrum in the Orion nebula at the position shown in Fig. 2. A fit to the spectrum (see Sect. 3 for details) is shown which uses amorphous astronomical silicate (130 K: bold dashed-dotted, and 80 K: light dashed-dotted), amorphous carbon (155 K: bold dashed, and 85 K: light dashed), and amorphous carbon VSGs (300 K: dotted). The total calculated spectrum is given by the thin solid line. The identification of the strongest spectral features is indicated.

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Early Science Release observations

Galaxy Gluster SMACS
0723-73, $z=0.39$
Left: MIRI image
Right: NIRCAM image

Filters:

MIRI:
Red: F1280W + F1800W
Green: F1130W
Blue: F770W

NIRCam:
Red: F444W
Orange: F356W
Green: F200W + F277W
Blue: F090W + F150W

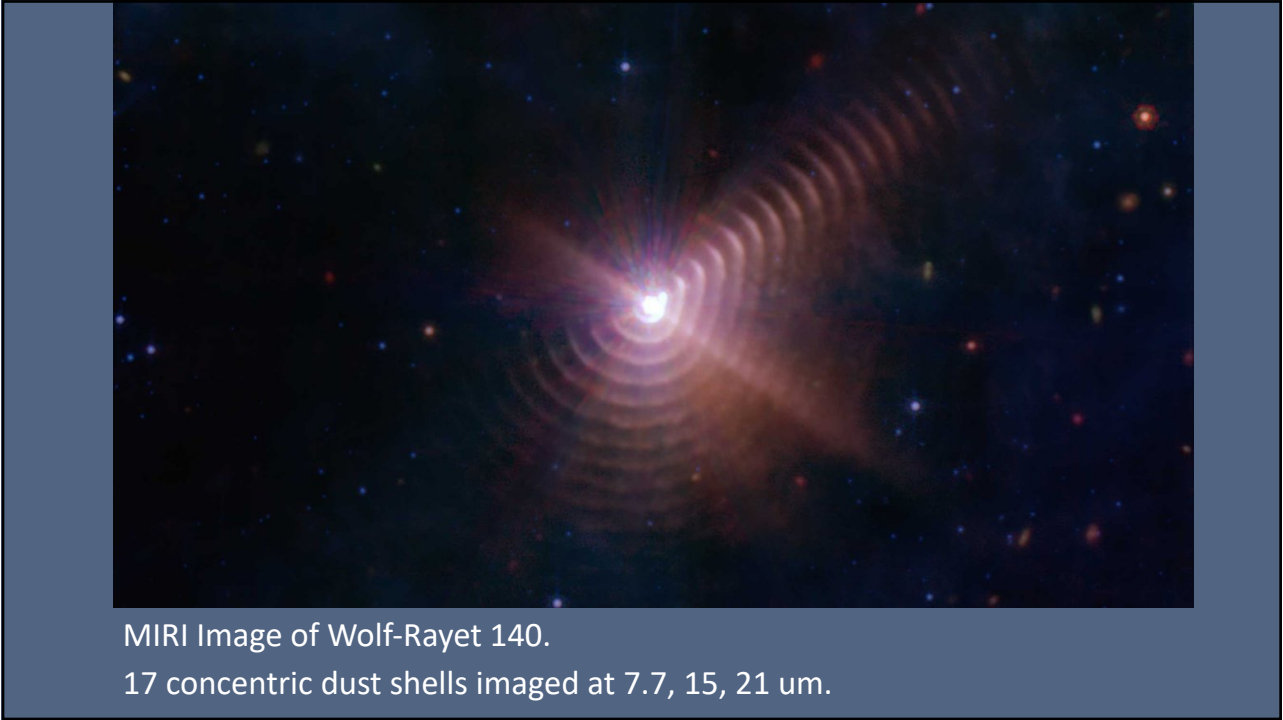
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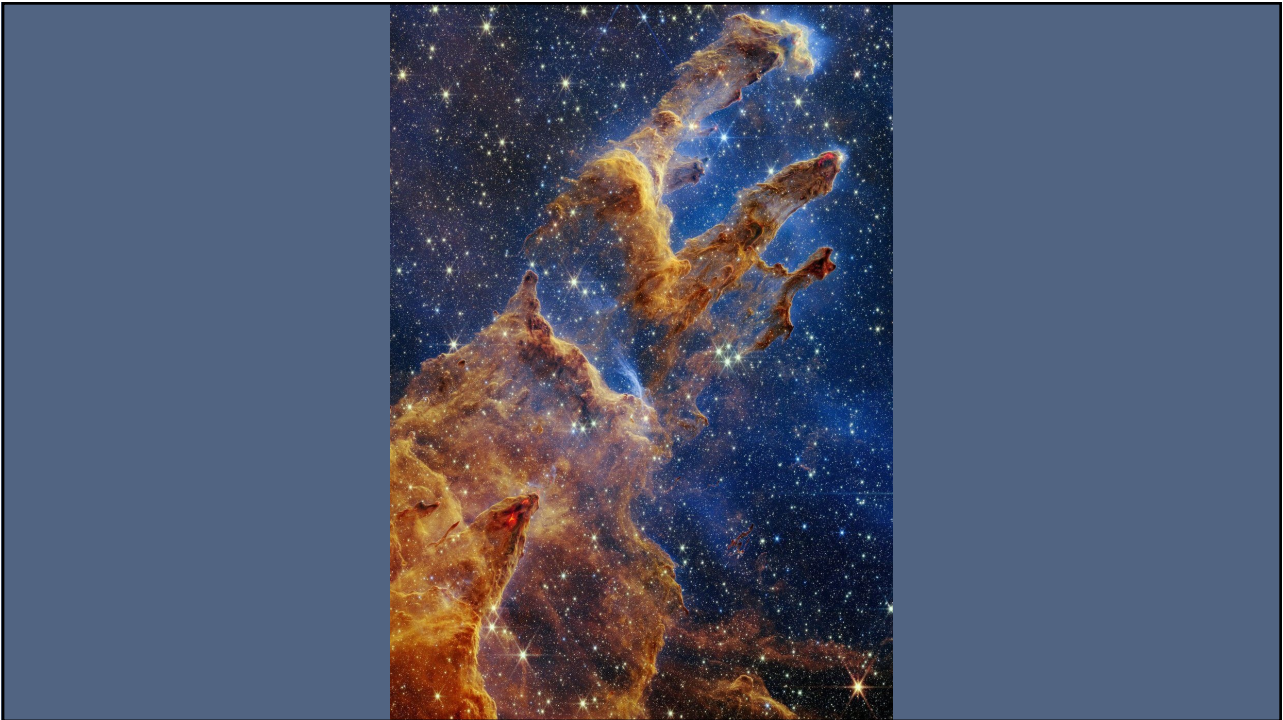
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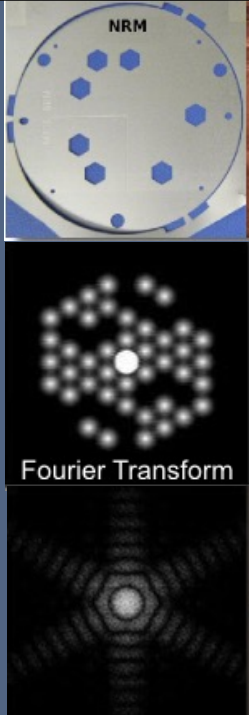
Near-IR Imager and Slitless Spectrometer NIRISS

2k HgCdTe detector providing:
 0.8 – 5µm imaging over 133 x 133 arcsec field and
 0.8 – 2.2µm low resolution ($R \sim 150$) slitless
 spectrometer with gratings or single object.


Highest resolution imaging will be obtained with
 the Aperture Masking Interferometer (AMI).

Non Redundant Masks in the telescope pupil
 plane combine to provide spatial resolution of
 $\sim 0.5 \lambda/D$ at 3 -5 µm.

Particularly useful for exploration of the inner
 regions of stars inside the coronagraph working limit
 with a 5 arcsec field.



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JWST commissioning and first science from a UK perspective





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