

# The WorldWide Telescope

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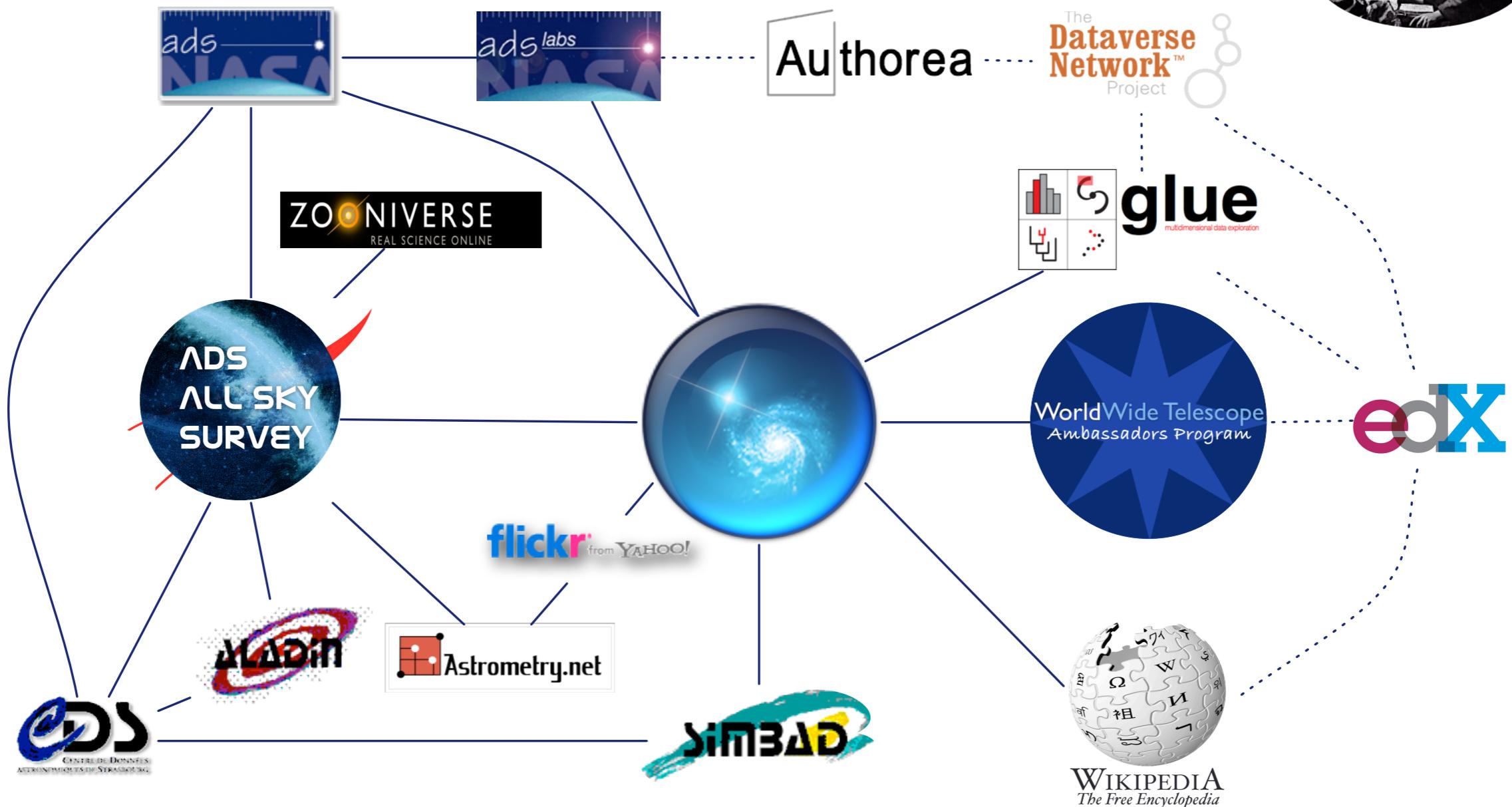


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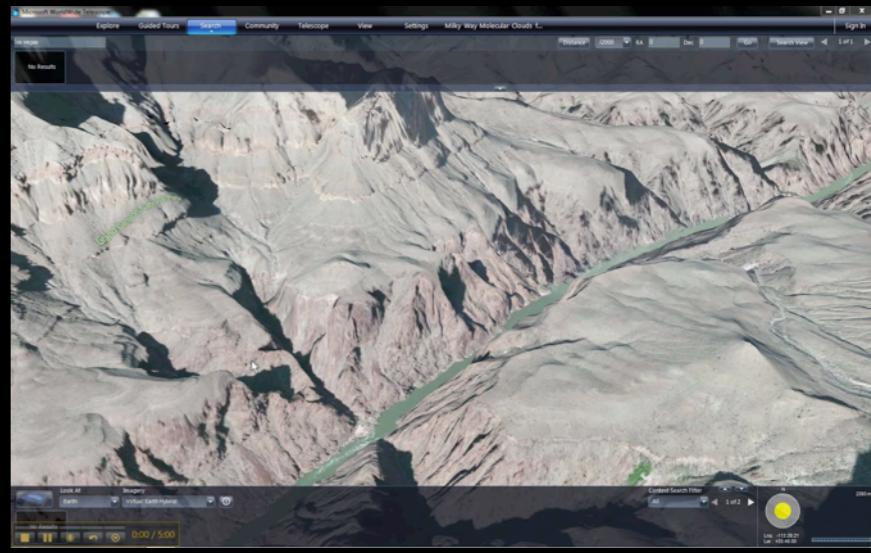
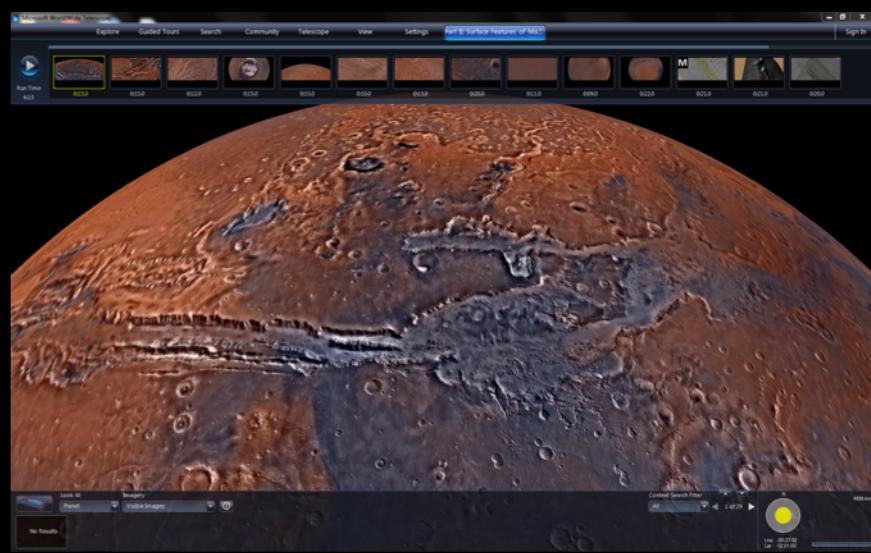
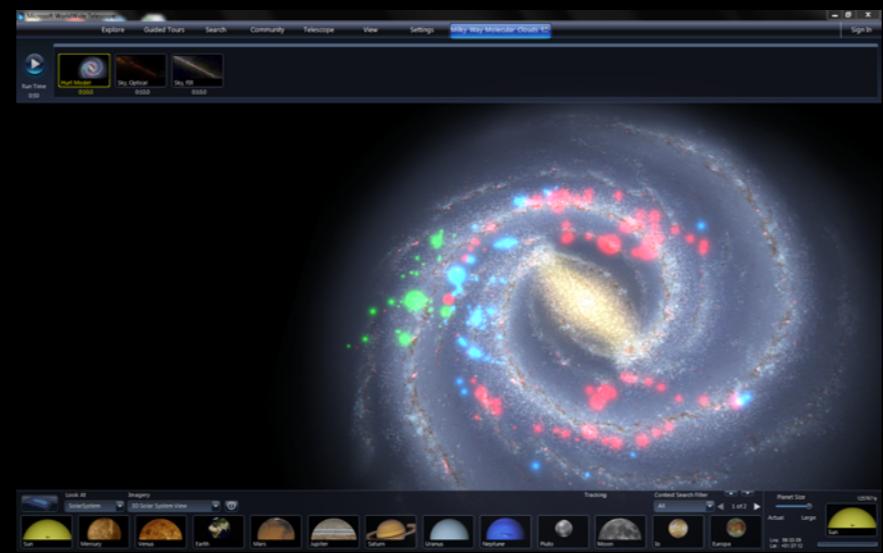
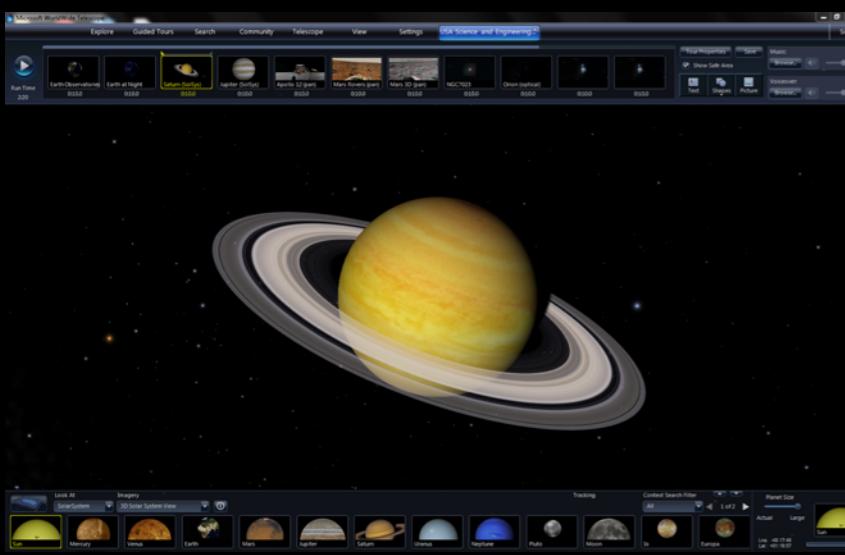


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# WWT Ambassadors



The screenshot shows the homepage of the WWT Ambassadors website. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links for Login, Register, Search this site, and a search button. Below the navigation is a large image of four students sitting around a desk, looking at a computer screen displaying a space simulation. To the left of this image is a sidebar titled "Upcoming Events" listing several science fairs and events. The main content area has a section titled "About WWTA" with a brief description of the program and a small thumbnail image of students. On the right side of the main content area are three large, rounded icons with text below them: "Download Tour" (blue arrow icon), "Experience Tour Online" (globe icon), and "Watch as Video" (film reel icon).

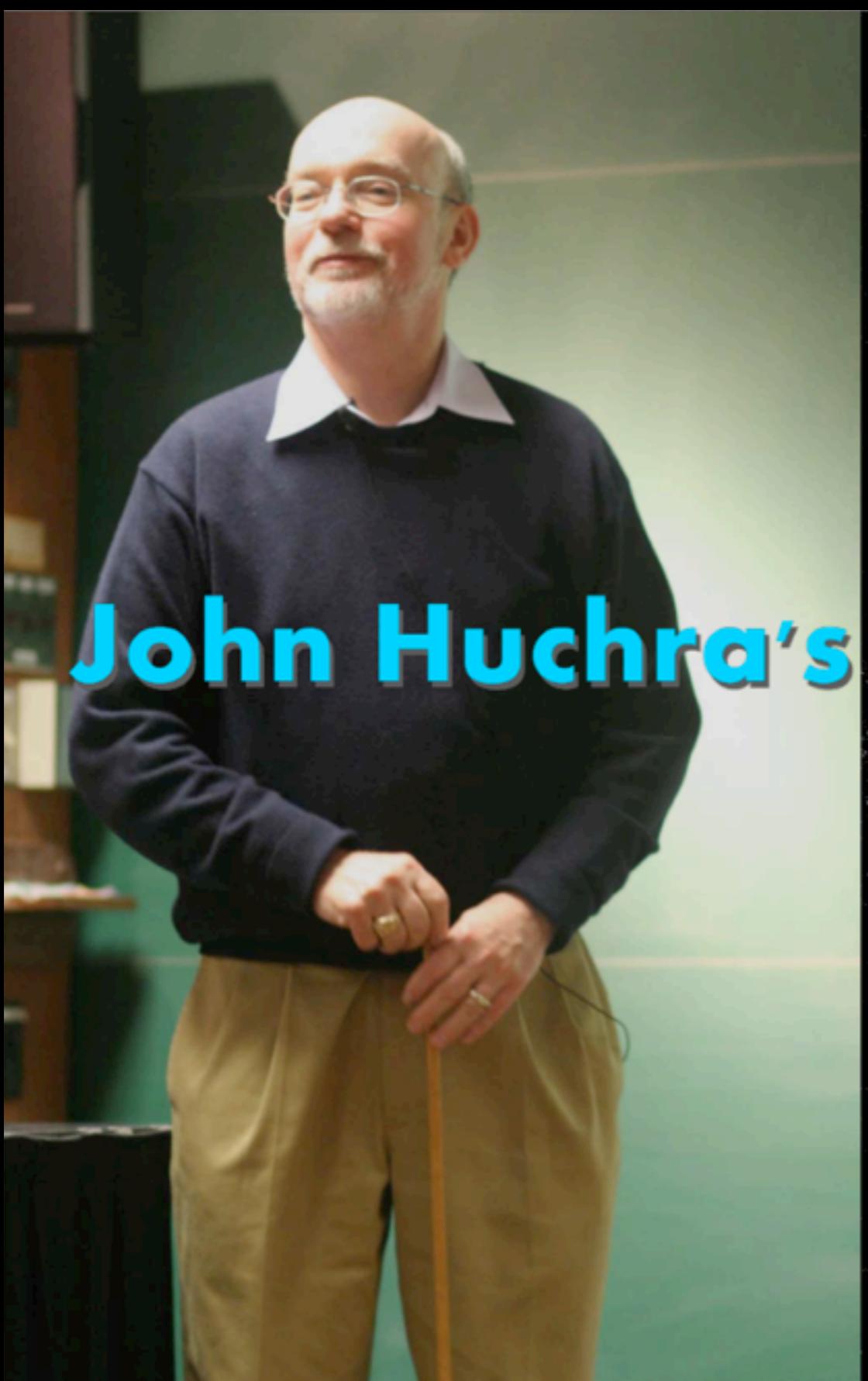
"Tours"



# WWT at Harvard

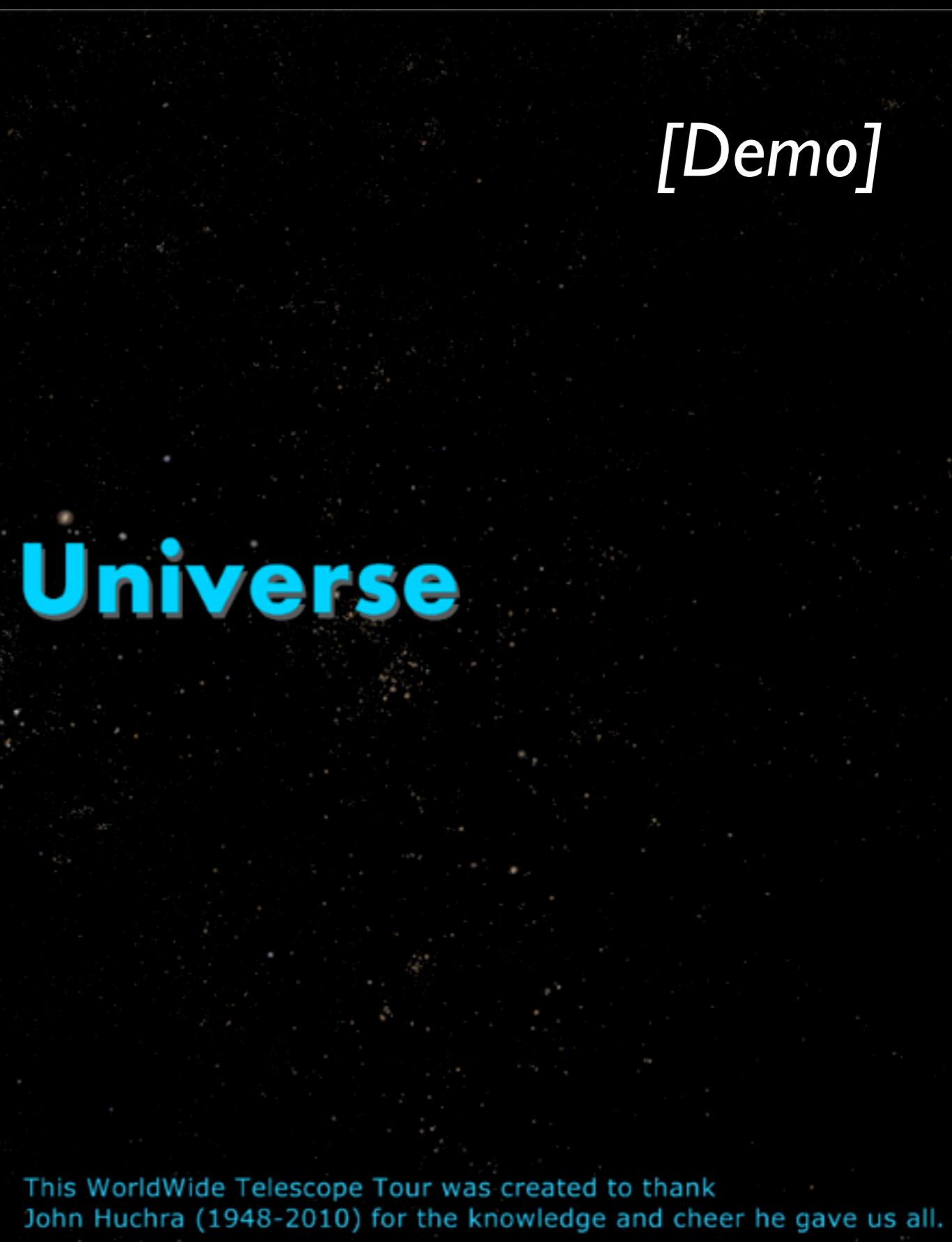


The screenshot shows a dark-themed interface for the edX platform. The word "edX" is prominently displayed in large, stylized letters where the "e" is pink and the "X" is blue. Below the logo, there's a large, bold title "WWT in Research". To the right of the title is a white rectangular box containing the "COMPLETE" logo, which includes the text "POWERED BY THE Dataverse Network™ PROJECT" and "ADS ALL SKY SURVEY". A red arrow points from the "ADS ALL SKY SURVEY" text towards a circular icon. Below this box is a screenshot of a software interface titled "Glue Demo: World Wide Telescope" showing a star field. To the right of the screenshot is the word "glue" in a large, bold font with the subtitle "multidimensional data exploration". At the bottom right is an image of a Kinect sensor connected to a computer monitor, with the text "Viz-e-Lab" written above it.

A portrait of John Huchra, an elderly man with a white beard and glasses, wearing a dark sweater and light-colored trousers. He is standing in front of a green wall.

[Demo]

# John Huchra's Universe

A dark, star-filled image of a galaxy cluster, showing numerous small white dots of varying sizes.

This WorldWide Telescope Tour was created to thank  
John Huchra (1948-2010) for the knowledge and cheer he gave us all.

*also available on [YouTube](#) (search “John Huchra’s Universe”)*



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## WWT Tours

Harvard Astronomy students can use the Microsoft Worldwide Telescope software to make interactive tours showing and narrating their thesis work. The tours can be played back using the WWT Windows desktop client, the HTML 5 client (using supported web browsers), and/or can be converted to a YouTube video for all users to see.

As an example, see the "Dust and Us" tour created by Alyssa Goodman:

Dust and Us

Dust and Us  
Alyssa Goodman  
Professor of Astronomy  
Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics

ASTRON 201b Home  
Course Plan ("Syllabus")  
Journal Club  
WORDPRESS Site (Book, Articles, Modules)  
Assignments

ISM and Star Formation

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Topical Modules  
Module assignments:

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## ISM and Star Formation

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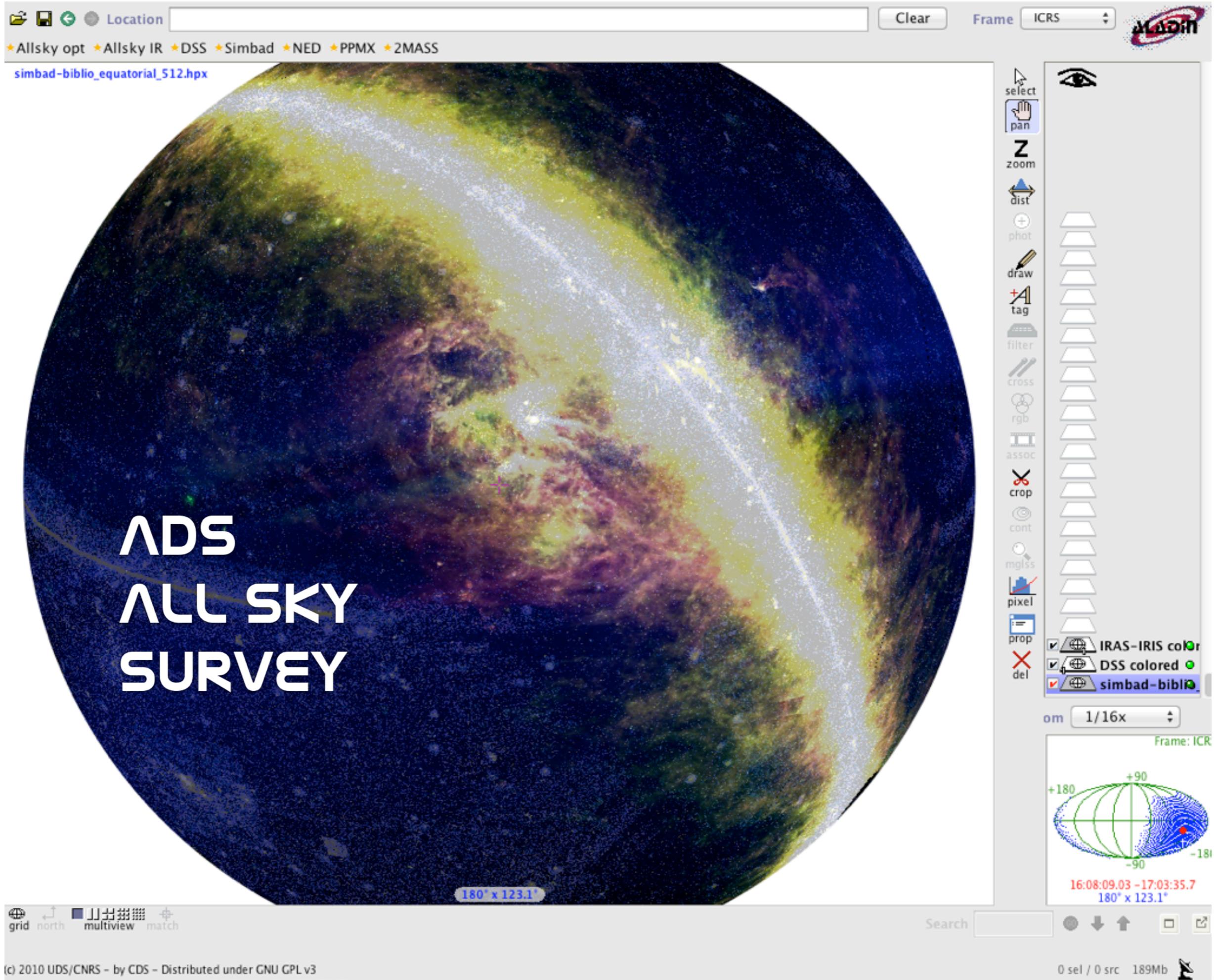
### Topical Modules

Our list of ideas for ISM-related web modules.  
Chris and Nathan's notes on module technologies.  
Notes on individual projects and the module prospectus.  
W5 WWT "Director's Cut" Prototype (by Alyssa Goodman, presented 4/2/13)

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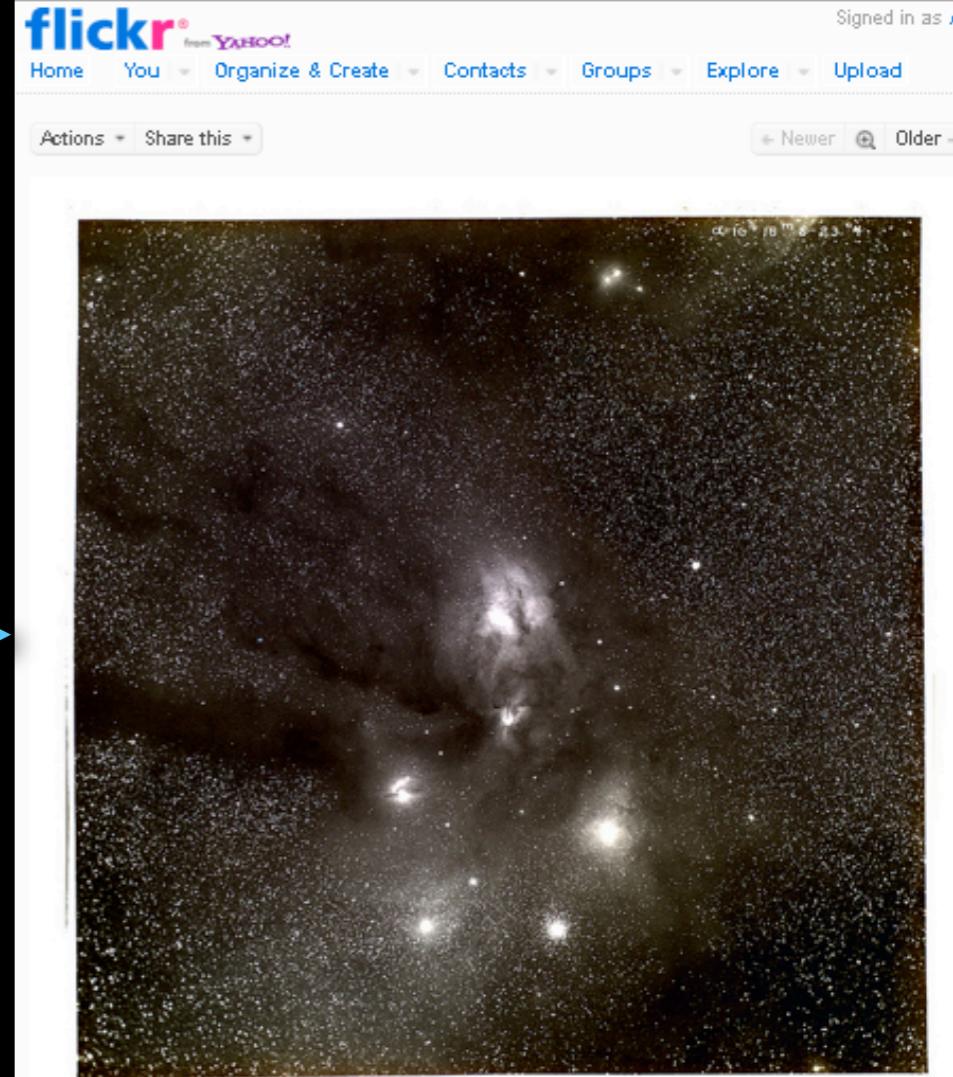
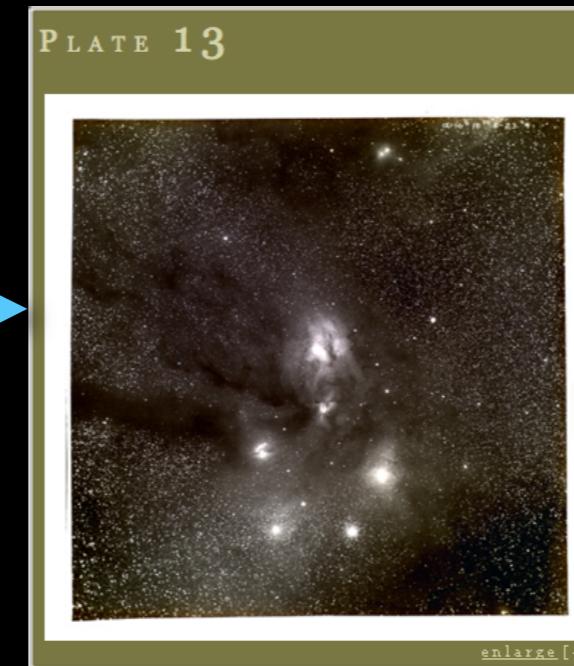
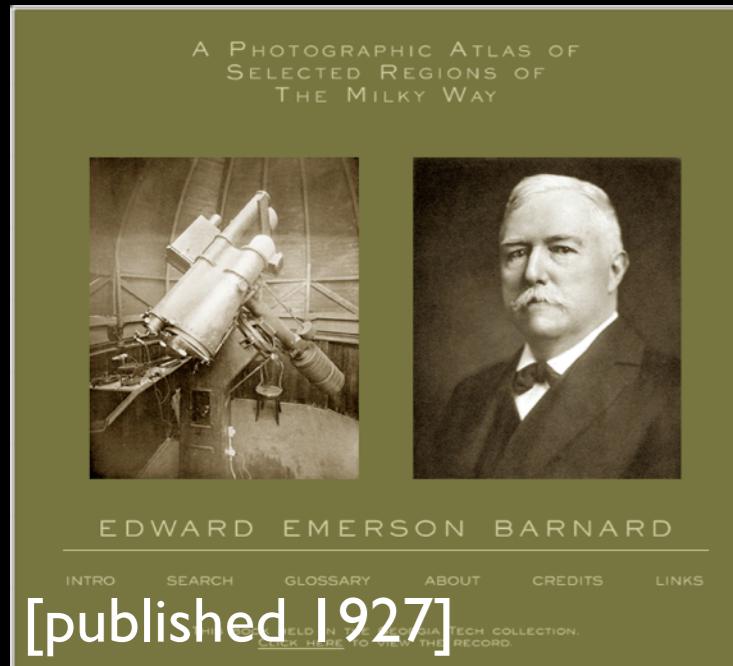
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# ADSASS: History on the Sky

## astrometry.net + flickr + WWT



Explore Guided Tours Search View Settings

Collections > Open Collections > barnardoph >

barnardoph

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1 of 3

N Ophiuchus 09:41:29

Look At Imagery Info Image Crossfade

Sky Digitized Sky Survey (Color)

Ophiuchus IC4634 IC4603 IC4604 M19 NGC6235 NGC6273 NGC6284

RA : 16h25m41s

**View in World Wide Telescope**

barnardoph

E.E. Barnard's image of Ophiuchus  
[www.library.gatech.edu/bpdi/bpdi.php](http://www.library.gatech.edu/bpdi/bpdi.php)

Comments and faves astrometry.net

astrometry.net (8 days ago | reply | delete)  
Hello, this is the blind astrometry solver. Your results are:  
(RA, Dec) center:(240.421365140, -23.8749819397) degrees  
(RA, Dec) center (H:M:S, D:M:S):(16:25:41.128, -23:40:29.935)  
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Your field contains:  
The star Antares (α Sco)  
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The star Al Niyat (σ Sco)  
The star τ Sco  
The star ω1 Sco  
The star ν Sco  
The star ω2 Sco  
The star ω Oph  
The star 13 Sco  
The star ο Sco  
IC 4592  
IC 4801  
NGC 6121 / M 4  
IC 4803  
IC 4804 / rho Oph nebula  
IC 4805

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# WorldWide Telescope Ambassadors

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**Upcoming Events**

- Dallin Elementary School Math & Science Night  
Mar. 28
- Cambridge Science Festival Carnival  
Apr. 13
- Cambridge Explores the Universe  
Apr. 20
- Clarke Middle School, Lexington, MA  
Apr. 22 - May. 31

**Explore WWT through hands-on demos at AAAS Family Science Days**

Submitted by patudom on Feb. 15



WWT Ambassadors hosted a booth at the [AAAS Family Science Days](#) event in Boston. Many thanks to WWT Ambassadors Moha Azimlu, Zach Berta, Hope Chen, Ana Constantin, Chris Faesi, Jonathan Jackson, & Erin Lotridge for helping to make the WWTA booth a great success!

This was a free event, open to the public.  
Where: Hynes Convention Center, Boston  
When: Saturday and Sunday, 2/18-2/19, 11am-5pm both days

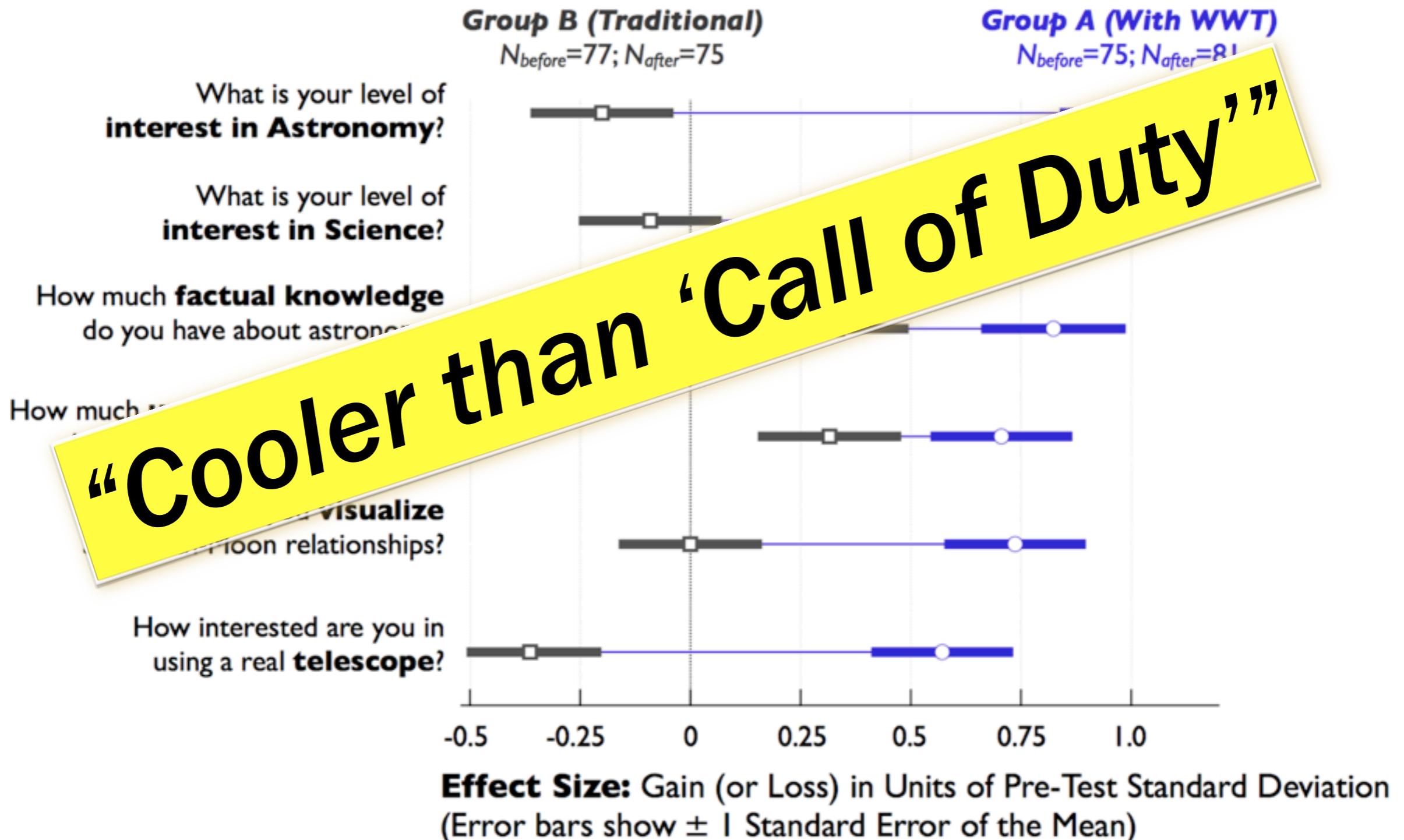
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# Gains in Student Interest and Understanding

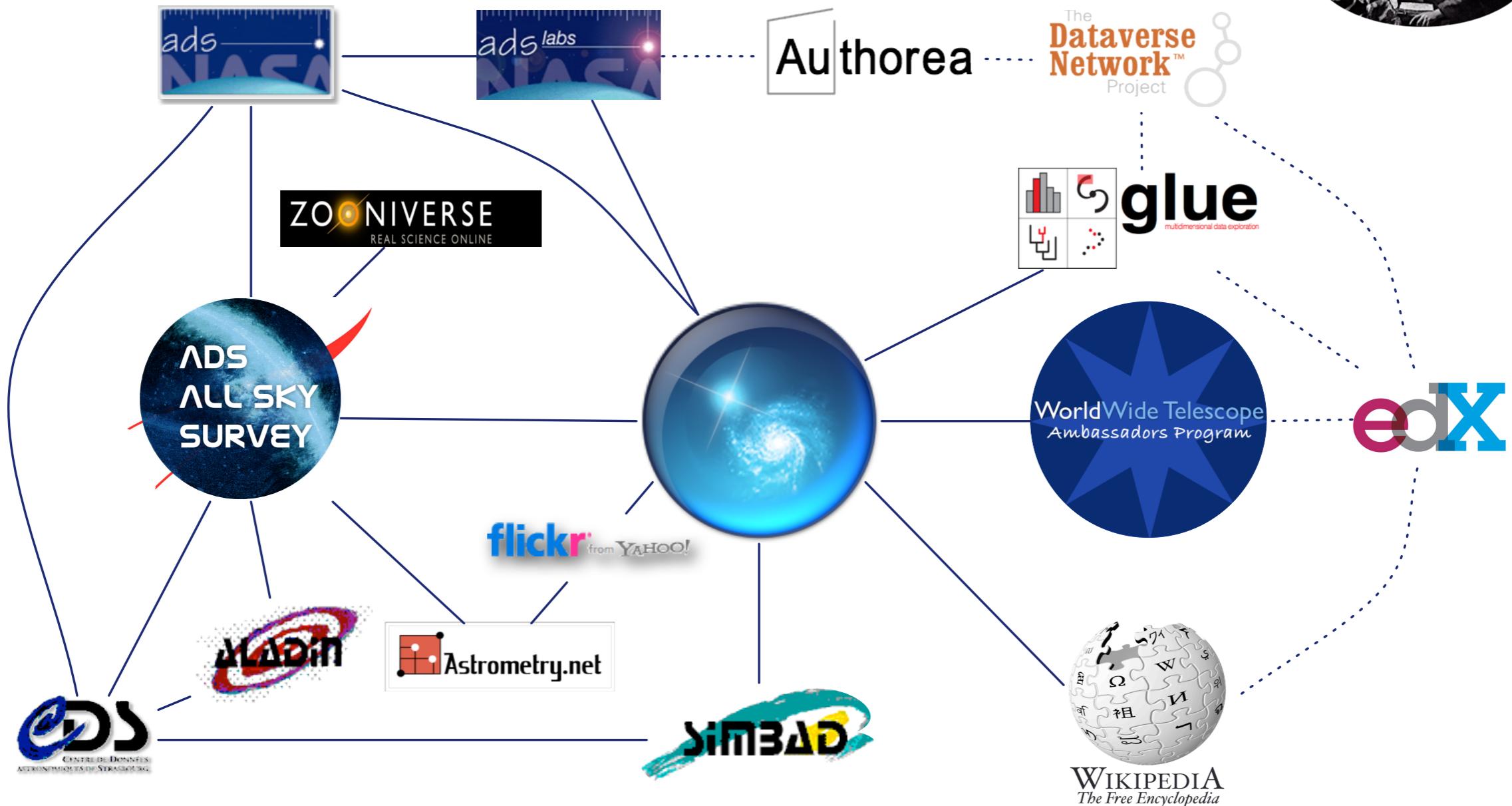
(“Traditional Way” vs “WWT Way”)





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# Microsoft® Research WorldWide Telescope

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The screenshot displays the Microsoft Research WorldWide Telescope interface. At the top, a navigation bar includes 'Explore' (which is highlighted in blue), 'Guided Tours', 'Search', 'View', and 'Settings'. Below the bar, a 'Collections' menu lists 'All-Sky Surveys' with options like 'Digitized Sky Survey', 'VLSS: VLA Low-freq', 'WMAP ILC 5-Year', 'SFD Dust Map (Inf)', 'IRIS: Improved Re', '2MASS: Two Micro', and 'Hydrogen Alpha Fu'. A status bar at the bottom shows '1 of 3' and the coordinates 'RA : 00h42m40s Dec : 41:13:35'.

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**Finder Scope**  
NGC224  
Classification: Spiral Galaxy in Andromeda  
RA: 00h42m42s Magnitude:  
Dec: 41 : 16 : 00 Distance:  
Alt: 70 : 06 : 26 Rise:  
Az: 275 : 42 : 17 Transit:  
Set: 00:35

**Finder Scope links to Wikipedia, publications, and data, so you can learn more**

**Context bar shows items of interest in current field of view**

**Context globe shows where you're looking.**



# Galileo Galilei

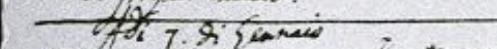
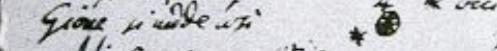
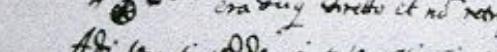
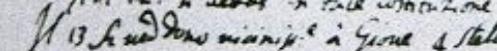
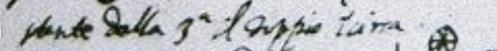
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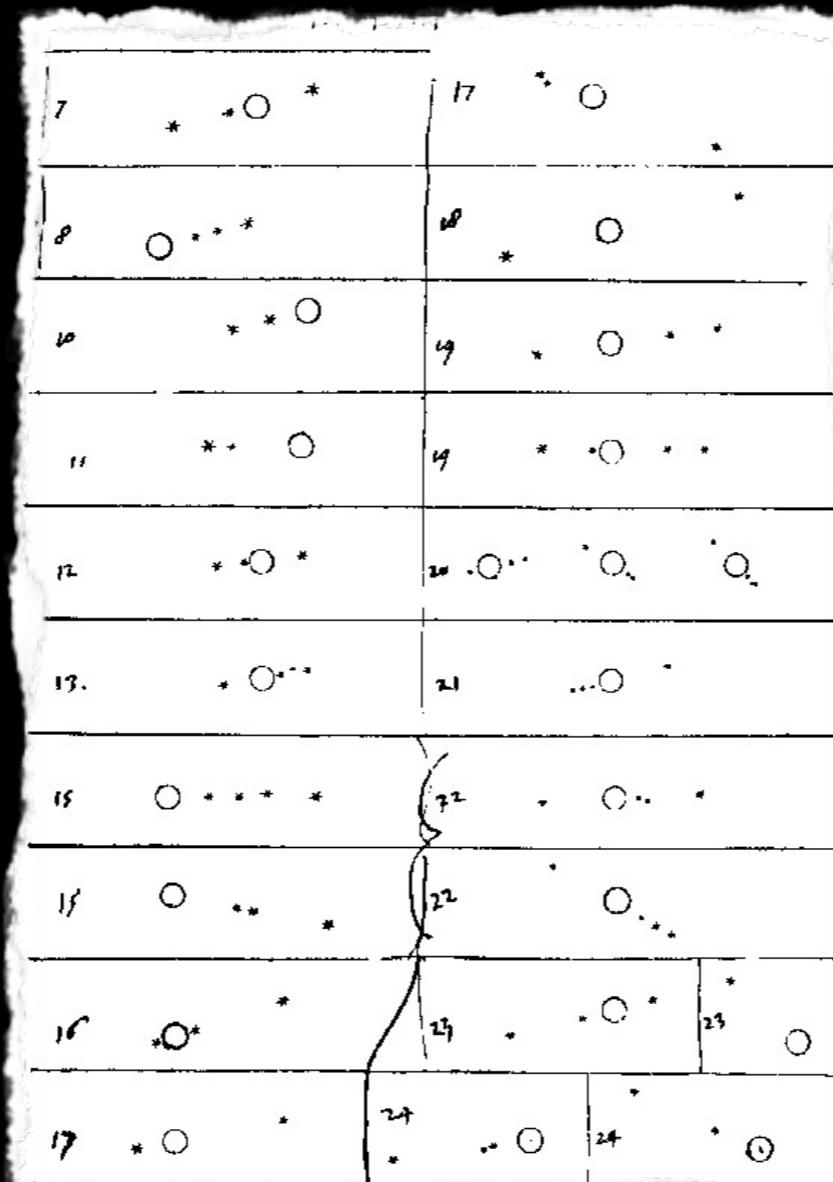
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Ahi 7. di gennaio

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Ahi 8 uoti   
Ahi 9  era dui direto et no retrogrado  
Ahi 10 si uide in tale uotazione   
Il 13. si uide minime a Gione 4 stelle  magliuisti  
Ahi 14. angelo   
Il 15.  la prossima 4 oramig' fa et ora diante della 3<sup>a</sup> l'oppio tira   
L'opposiz. delle 3 aut' uoti 20 minuti maggiore del diametro di 7 et erano in linea retta.



## SIDERIUS NUNCIUS

On the third, at the seventh hour, the stars were arranged in this sequence. The eastern one was 1 minute, 30 seconds from Jupiter; the closest western one 2 minutes; and the other western one was

ast



\* West

50 minutes removed from this one. They were absolutely on the same straight line and of equal magnitude.

On the fourth, at the second hour, there were four stars around Jupiter, two to the east and two to the west, and arranged precisely

East



\* \* ○ \* \* \* West

on a straight line, as in the adjoining figure. The easternmost was distant 3 minutes from the next one, while this one was 40 seconds from Jupiter; Jupiter was 4 minutes from the nearest western one and this one 6 minutes from the westernmost one. Their magnitudes were nearly equal; the one closest to Jupiter appeared a little smaller than the rest. But at the seventh hour the eastern stars were only 50 seconds apart. Jupiter was 2 minutes from the nearer eastern

East



\*\* ○ \* \* West

one, while he was 4 minutes from the next western one, and this one was 3 minutes from the westernmost one. They were all equal and extended on the same straight line along the ecliptic.

On the fifth, the sky was cloudy.

On the sixth, only two stars appeared flanking Jupiter, as is seen

East



\* ○ \* West

in the adjoining figure. The eastern one was 2 minutes and the western one 3 minutes from Jupiter. They were on the same straight line with Jupiter and equal in magnitude.

On the seventh, two stars stood near Jupiter both to the east



Watch as Video

Notes for & re-productions of Siderius Nuncius



