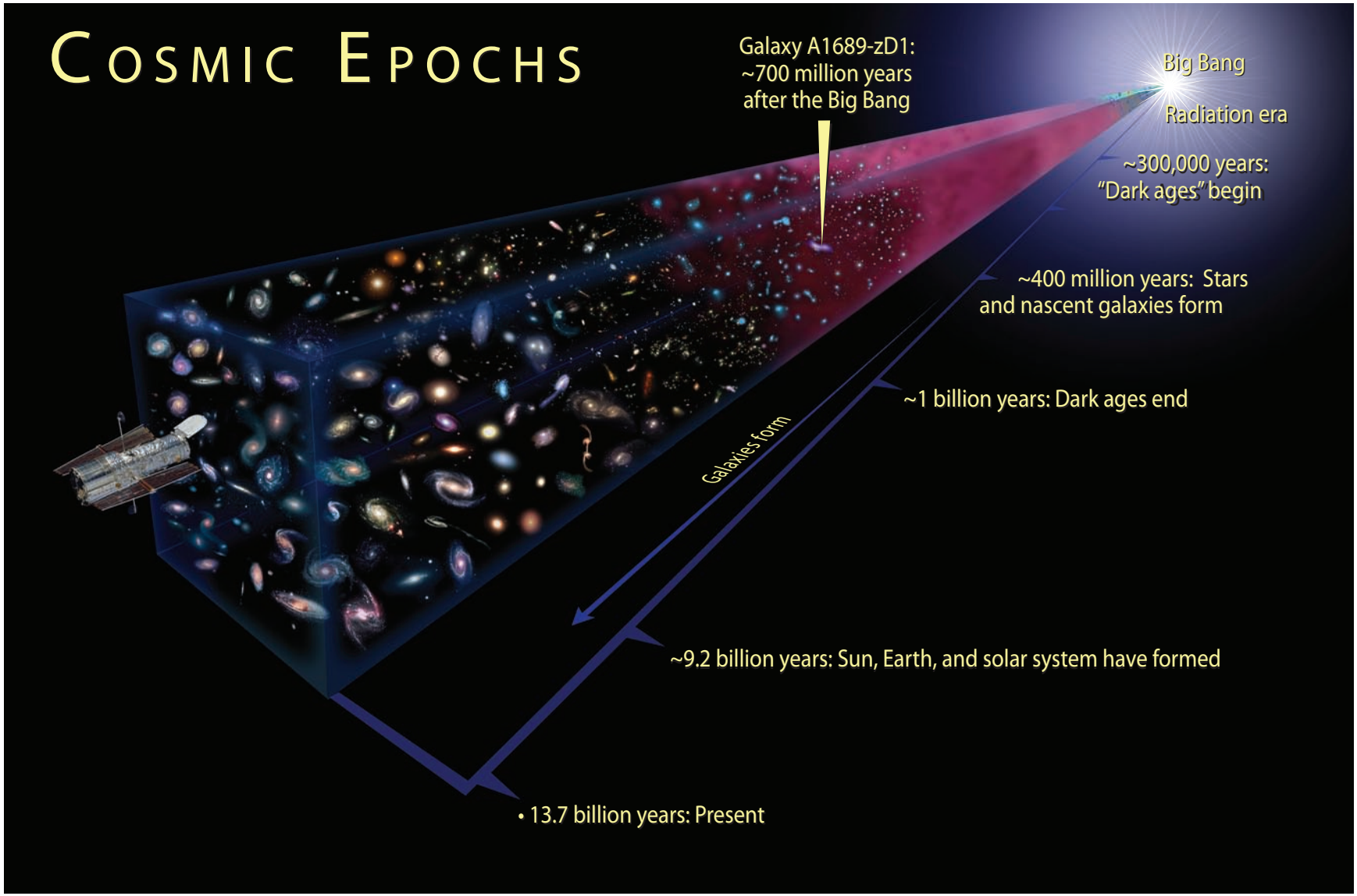
Cosmic Epochs
Galaxy A1689-zD1:
~700 million years
after the Big Bang
Big Bang
Radiation era
~300,000 years:
"Dark ages" begin
~400 million years: Stars
and nascent galaxies form
~1 billion years: Dark ages end
Galaxies form
~9.2 billion years: Sun, Earth, and solar system have formed
• 13.7 billion years: Present