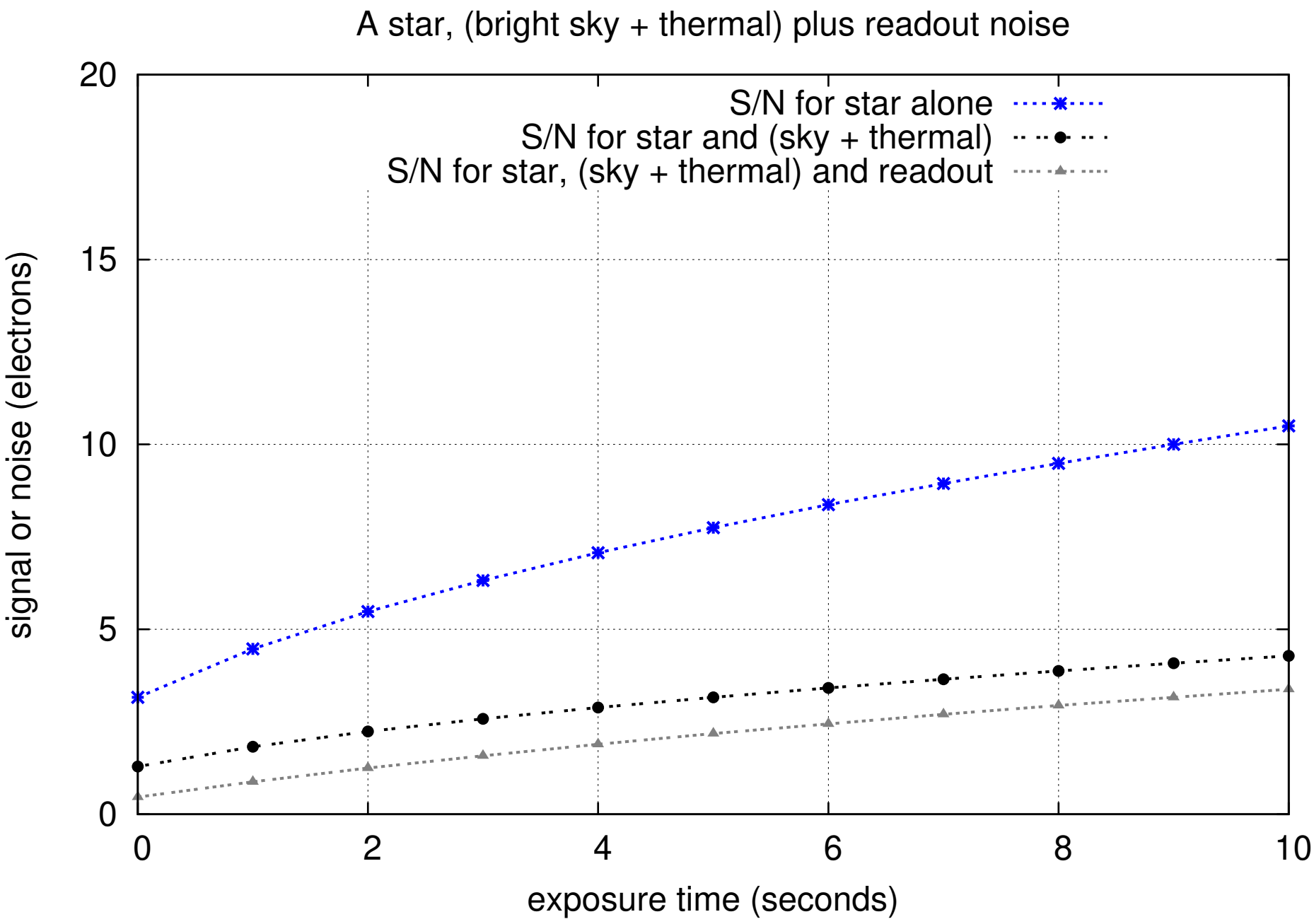
A star, (bright sky + thermal) plus readout noise
S/N for star alone
S/N for star and (sky + thermal)
S/N for star, (sky + thermal) and readout
signal or noise (electrons)
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5
10
15
20
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