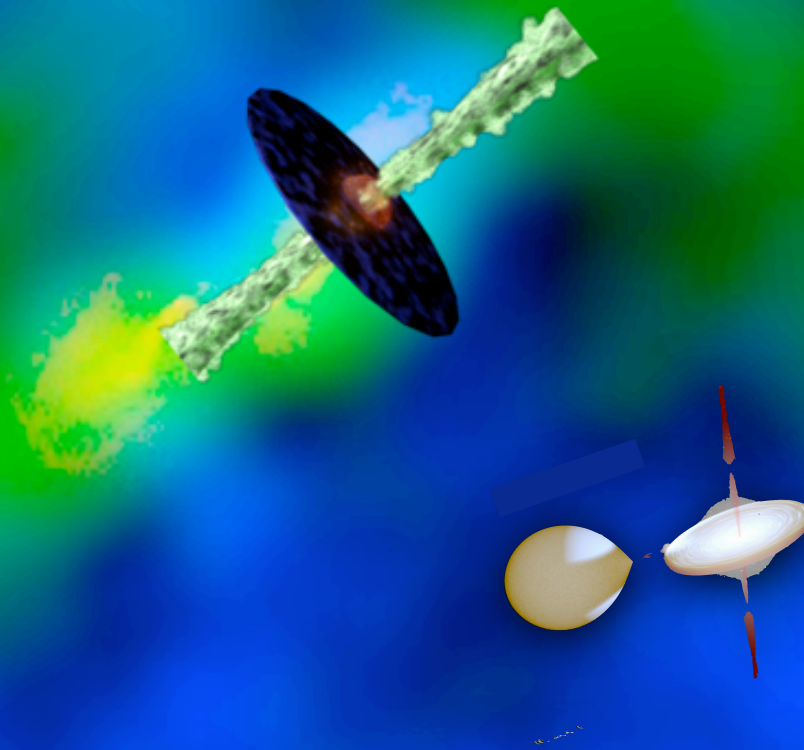


# FROM QUASARS TO MICRO-QUASARS: INVESTIGATING MASS (AND POWER) SCALES IN ACCRETION PHYSICS



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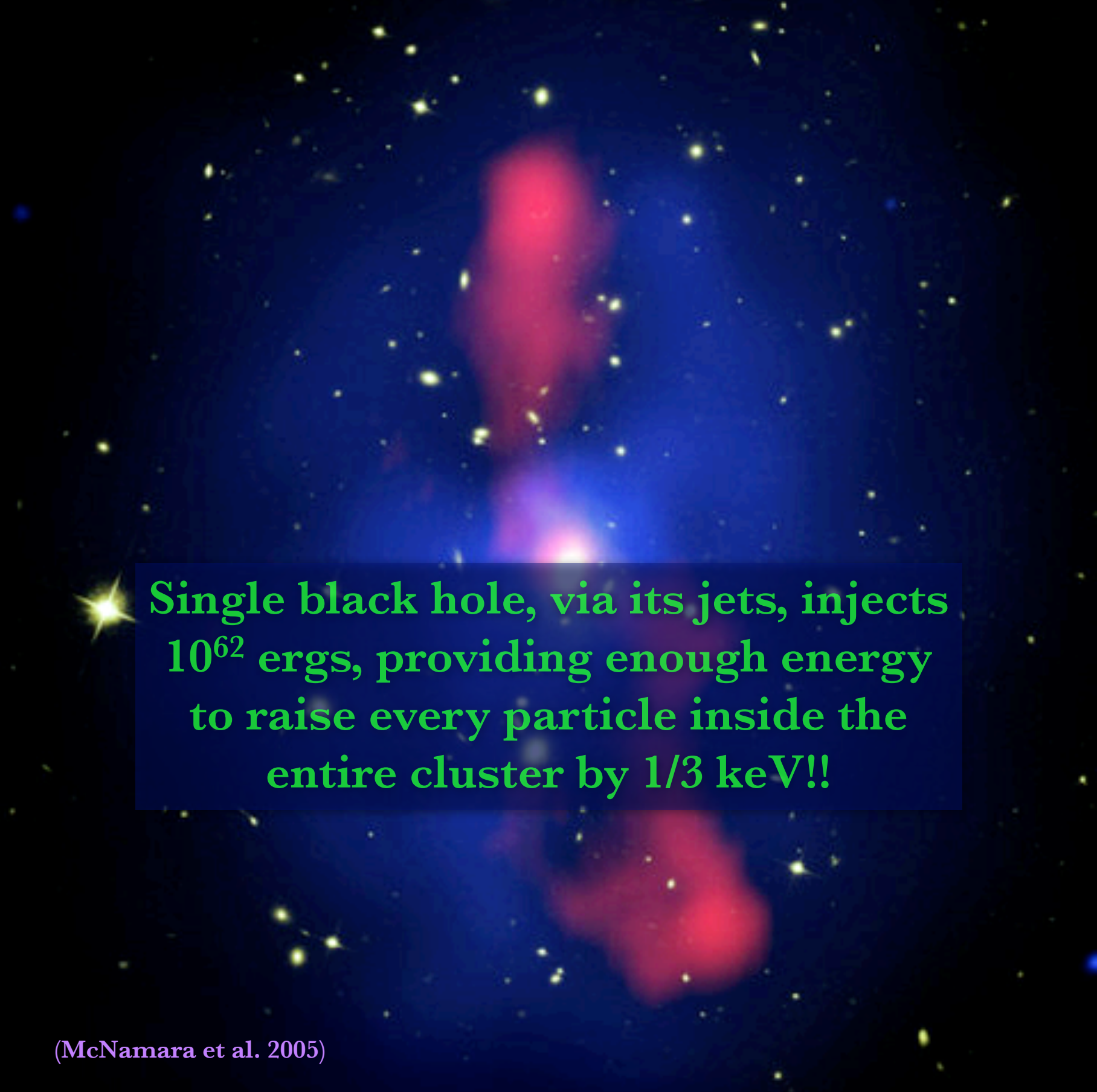


~ 600k light years across!

(McNamara et al. 2005)



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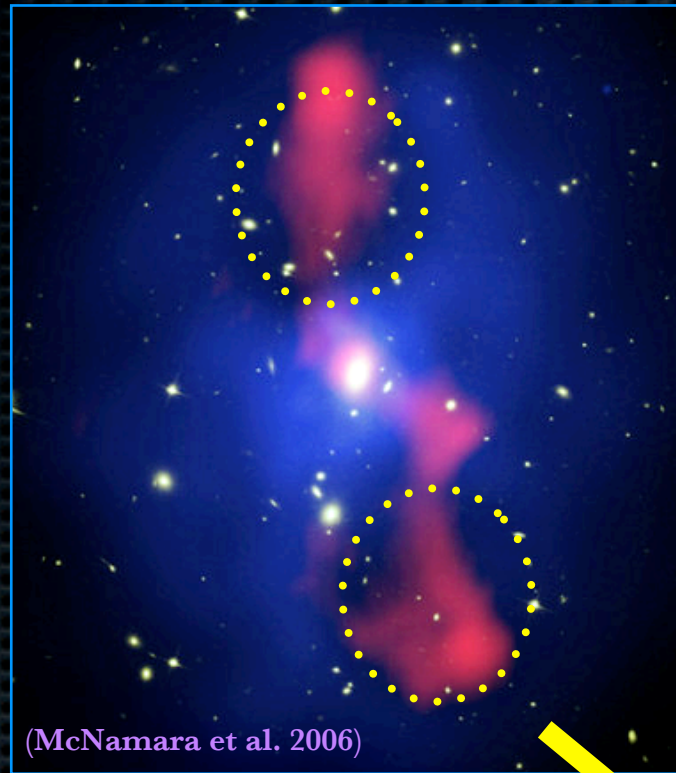
Single black hole, via its jets, injects  $10^{62}$  ergs, providing enough energy to raise every particle inside the entire cluster by 1/3 keV!!

(McNamara et al. 2005)

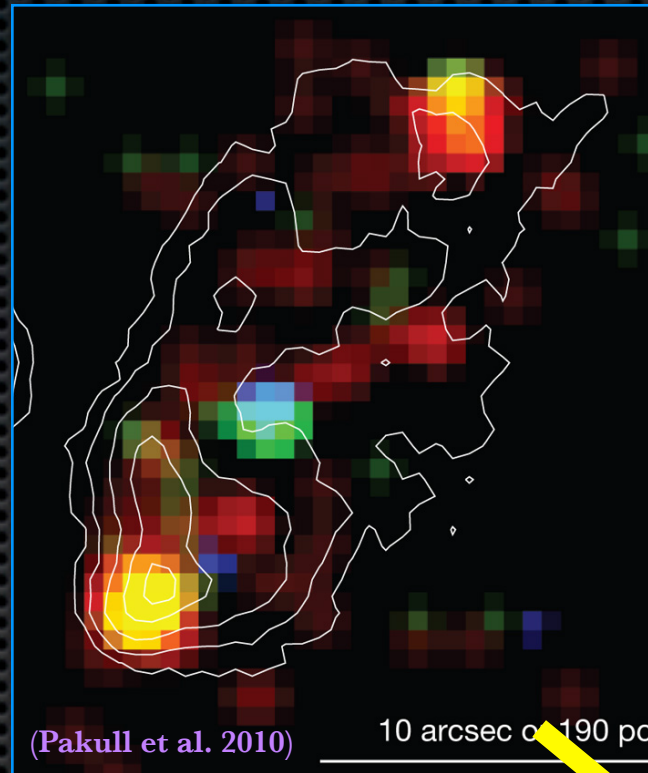


# We need to understand the link between inner accretion flow and outflow properties in order to understand...

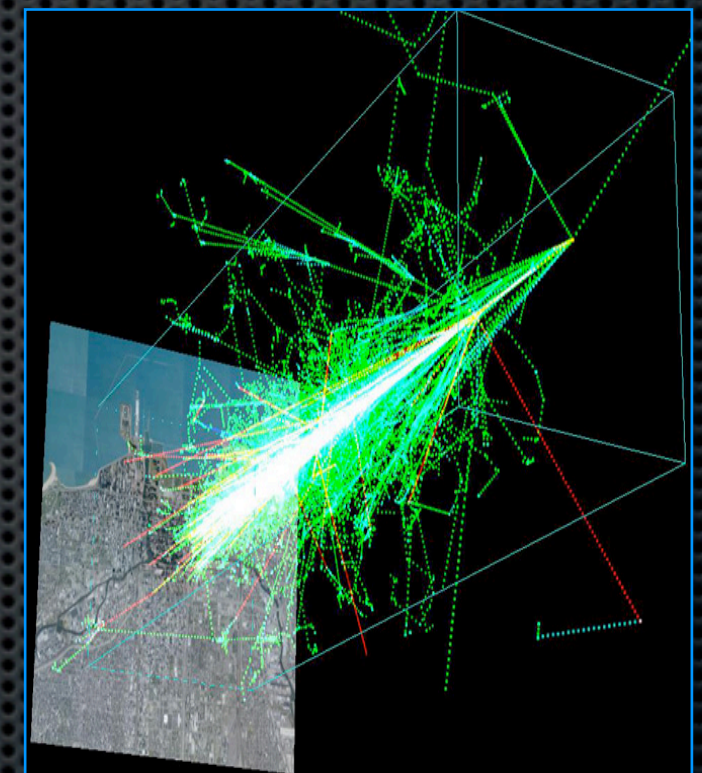
## GALAXY EVOLUTION/ AGN FEEDBACK



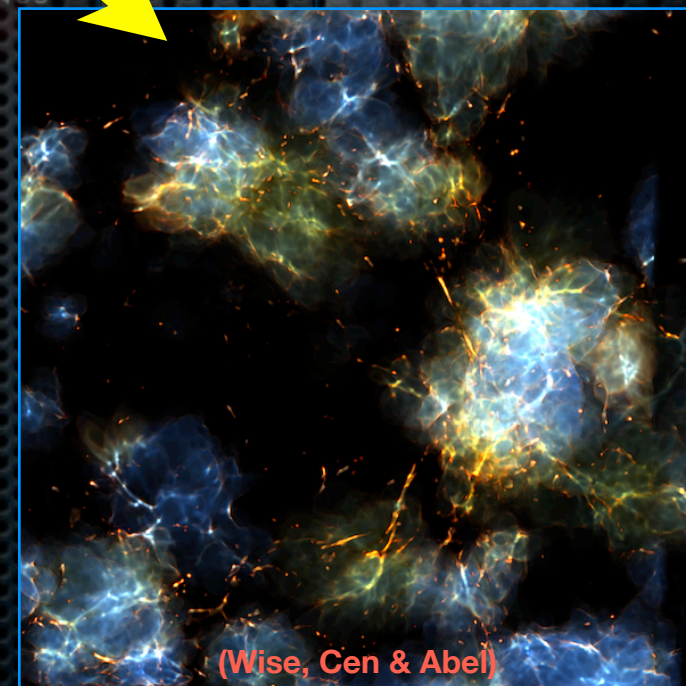
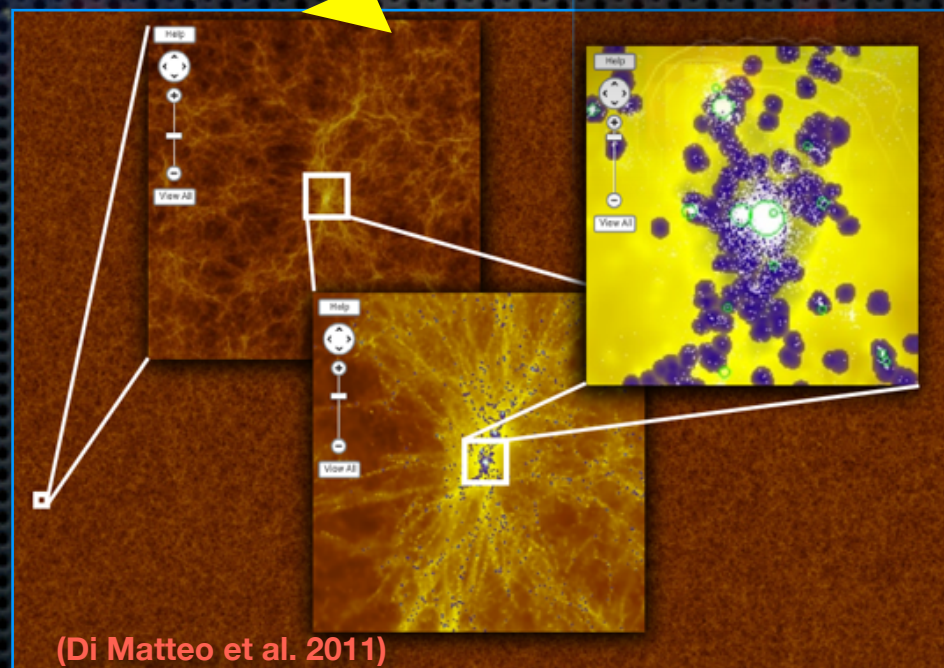
## IONIZATION OF SURROUNDING GAS



## HIGH-ENERGY PARTICLE ACCELERATION

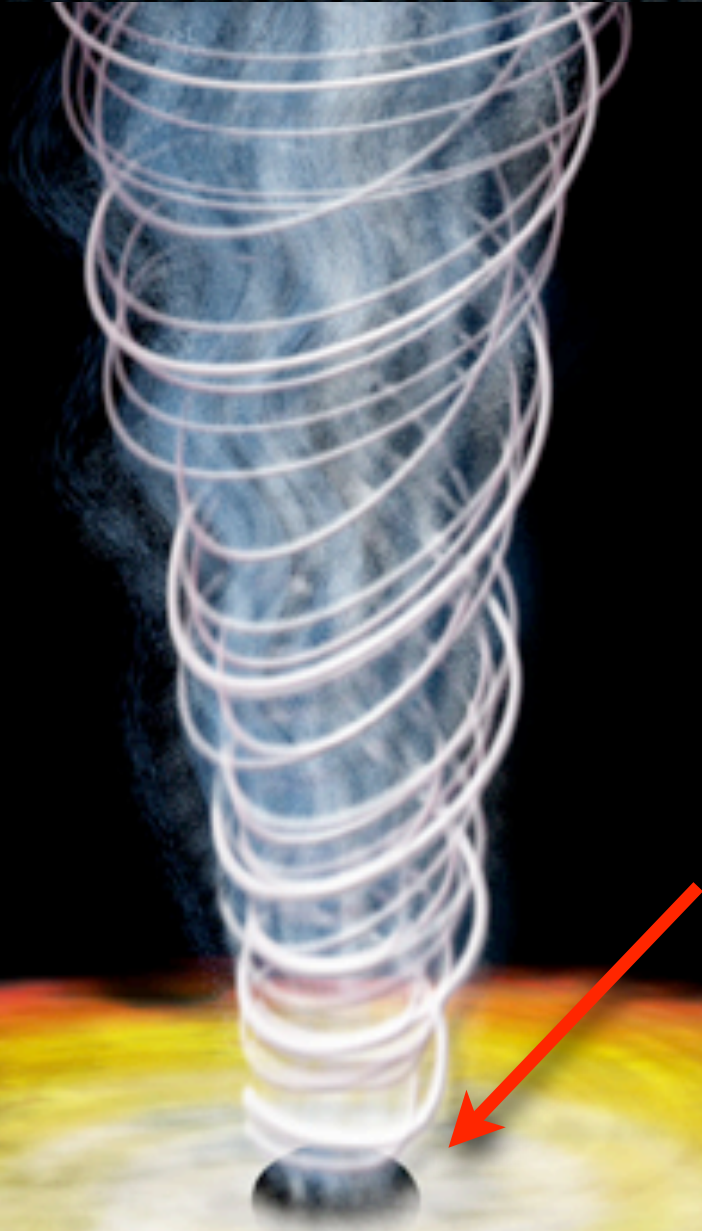


Cosmological  
Simulations:





# Immense power rooted in tiny scales



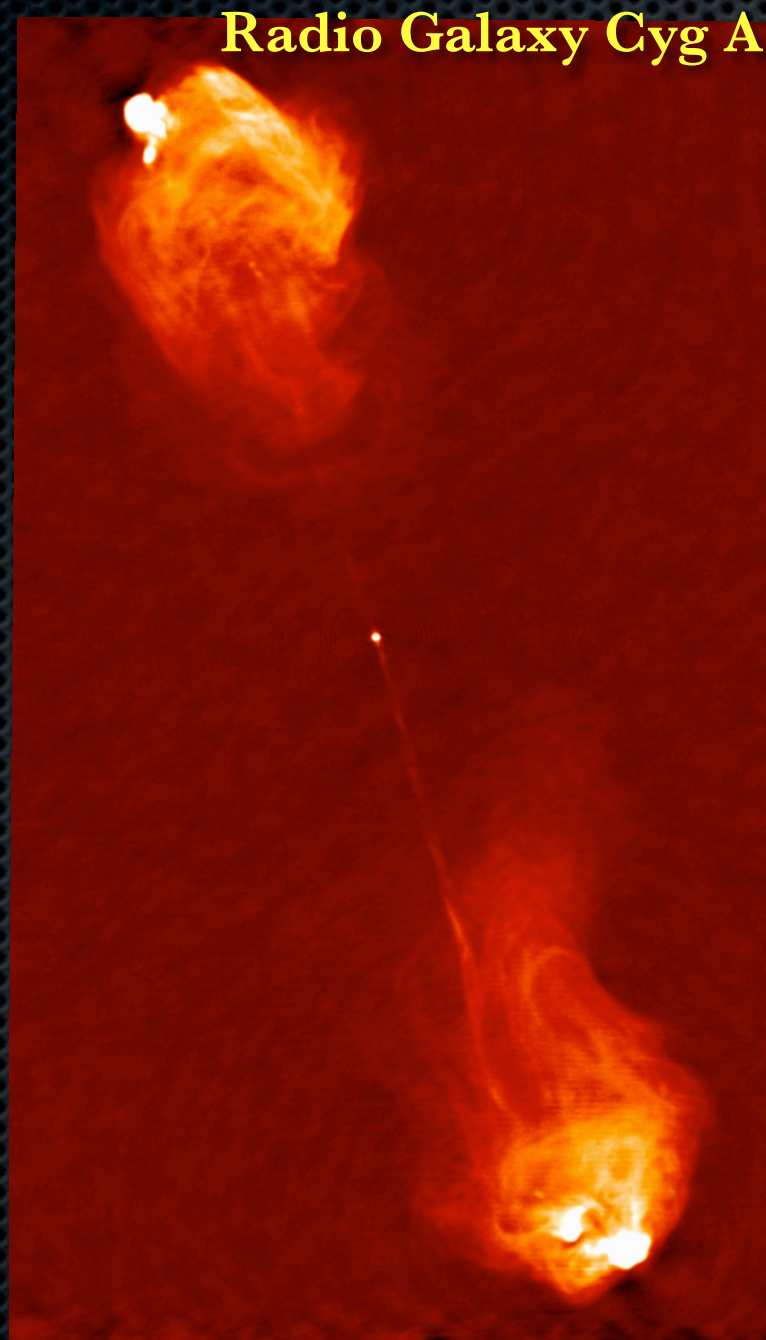
What's inside them? How and why are jets launched and confined? How and where are particles accelerated? *Requires more information about conditions near jet/disk interface:* accretion flow “type” and geometry, balance of energy between magnetic fields and plasma,  $T_e/T_i \Rightarrow$  flow dynamics and collimation  $\Rightarrow$  shocks

Lack of understanding of the “disk/jet” connection introduces theoretical degeneracies



# Why is this so hard to figure out?

Jets are generally the only part of the system we can image directly:



The accretion disk is mostly inferred, from indirect measures (multicolor blackbody, blue/redshifted lines)

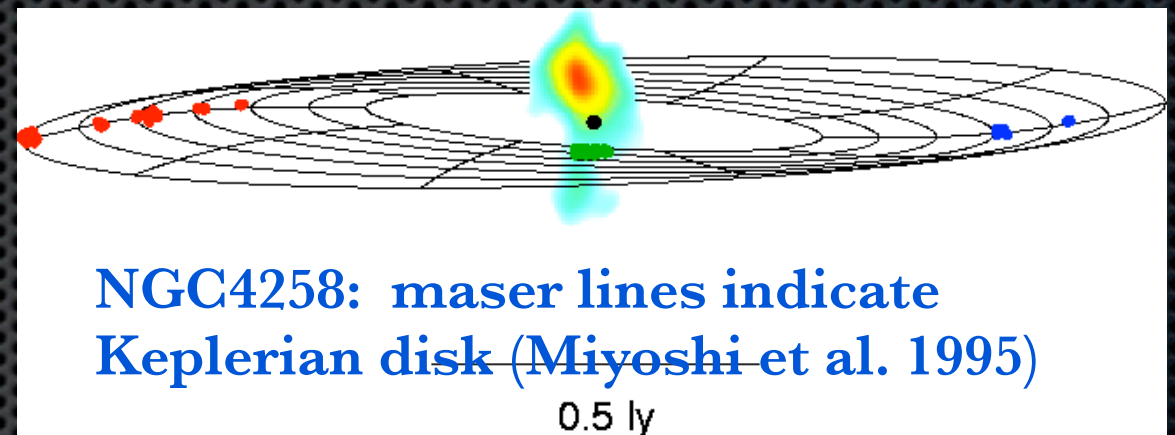
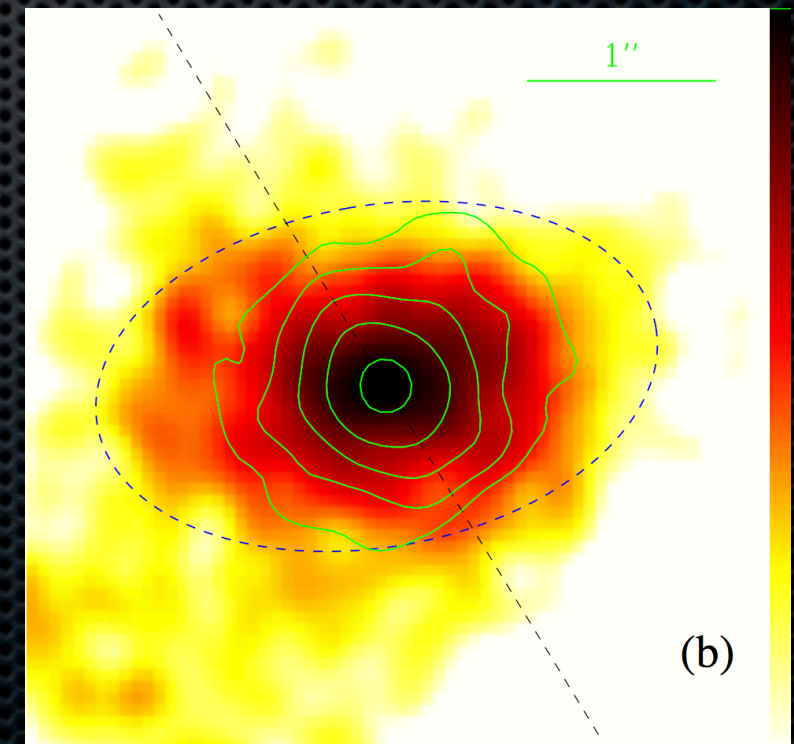
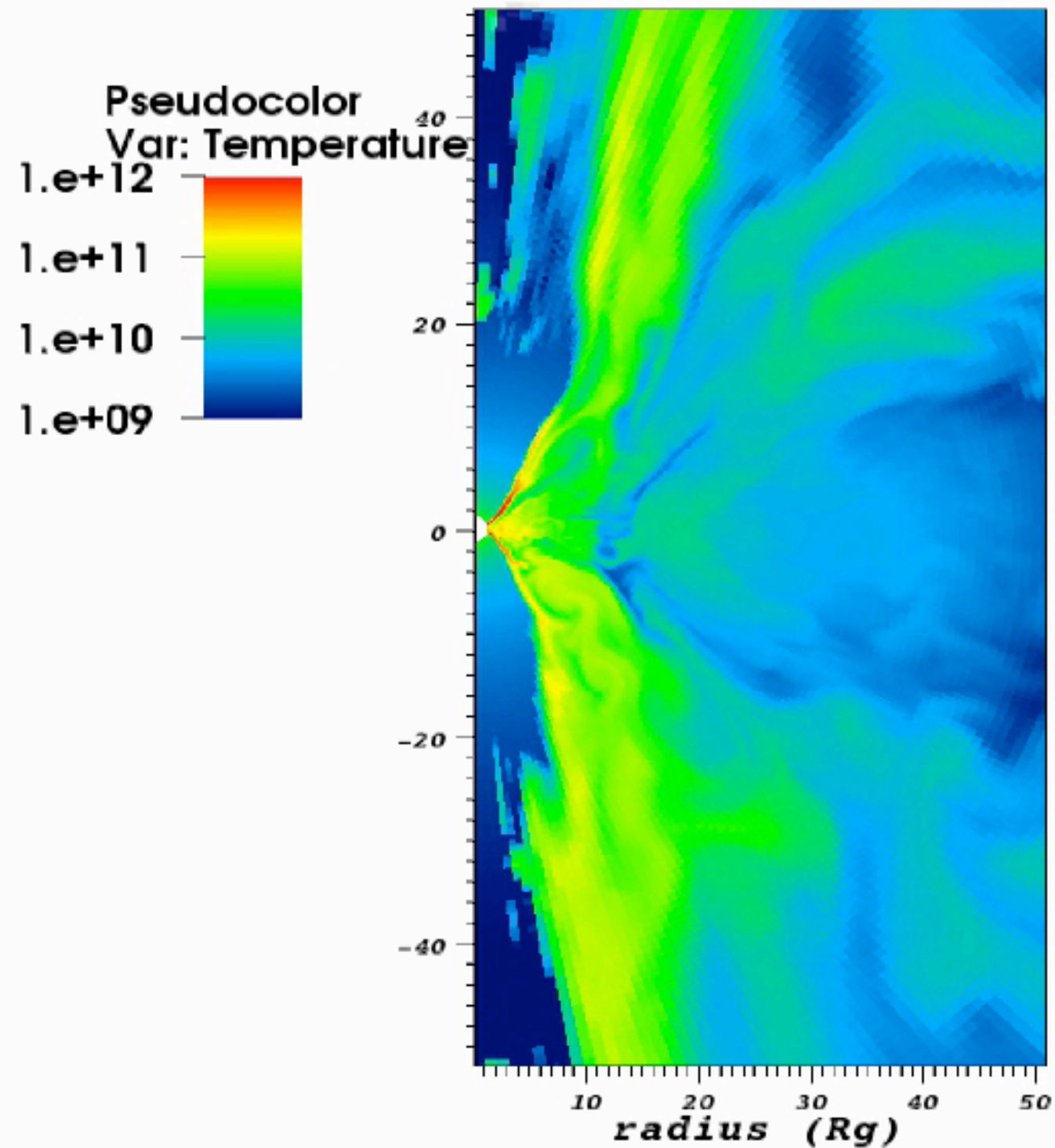
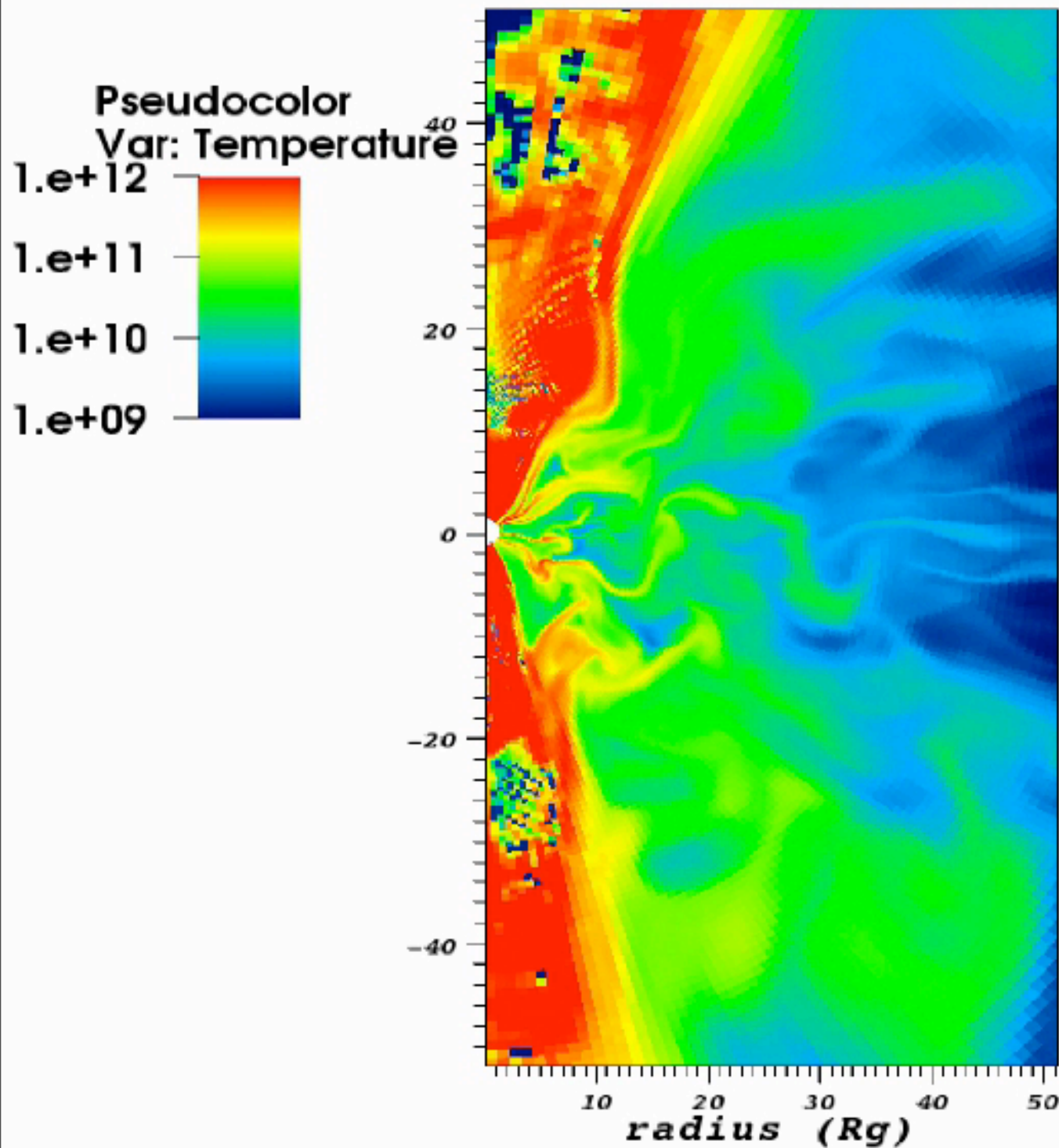


Image of the accretion flow around Sgr A\* in X-rays (Chandra; Wang, Nowak, SM et al. 2013)





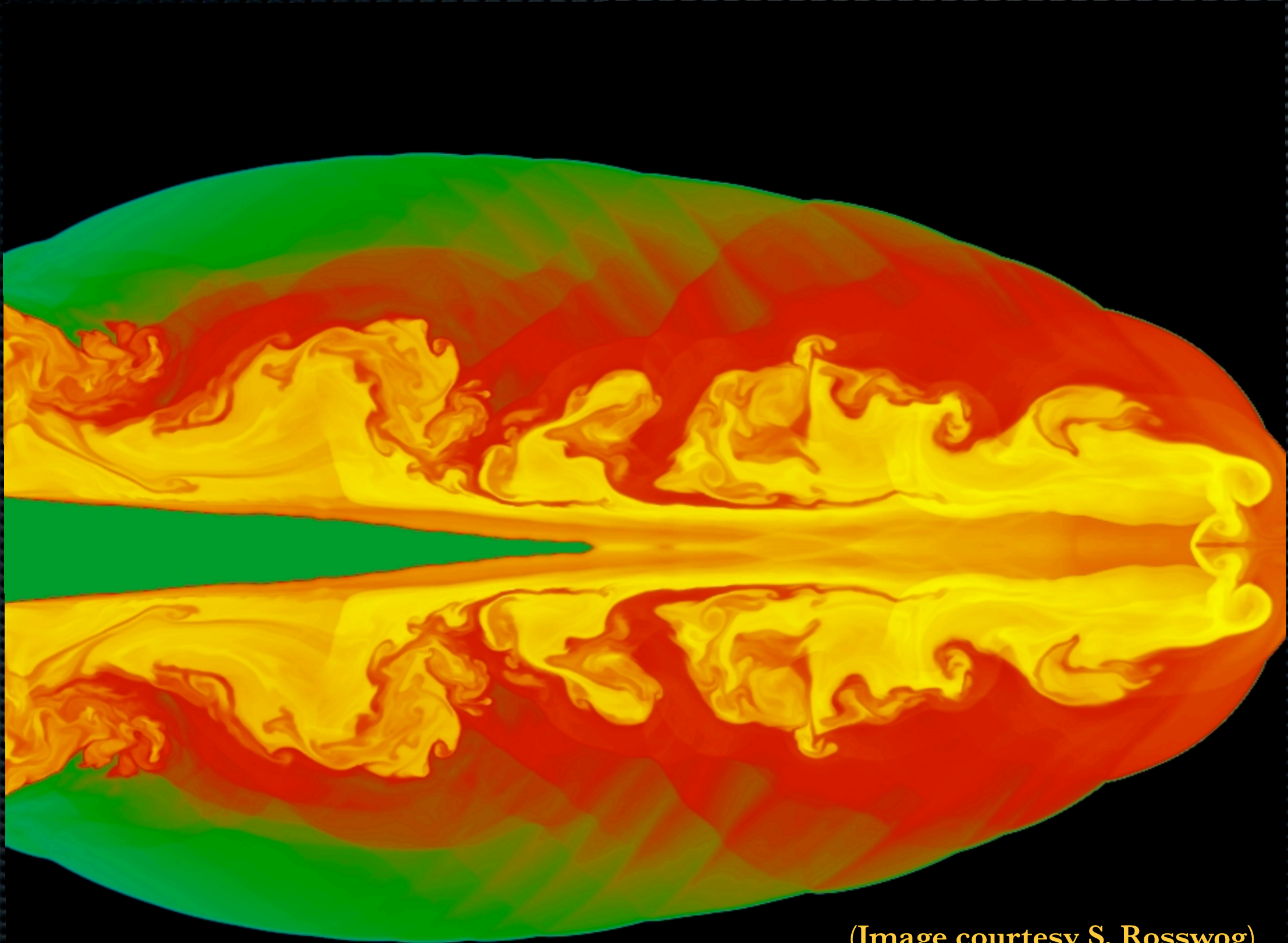
# Simulations can help explore initial/boundary conditions



(Dibi et al. 2012)



**Other complications: what we observe may not be the most important part of the system**

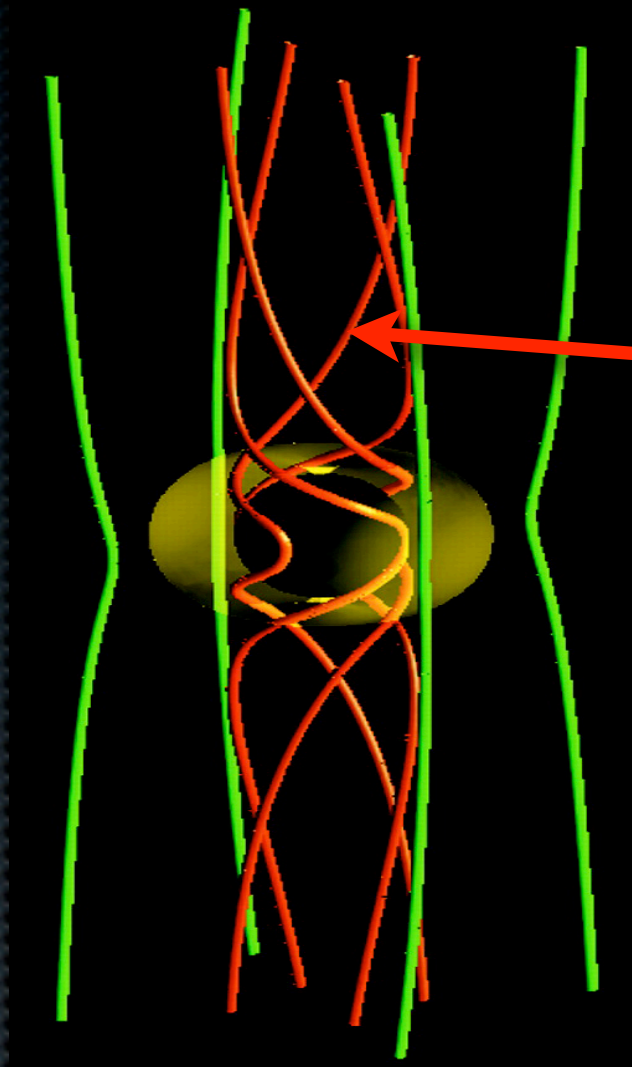


(Image courtesy S. Rosswog)

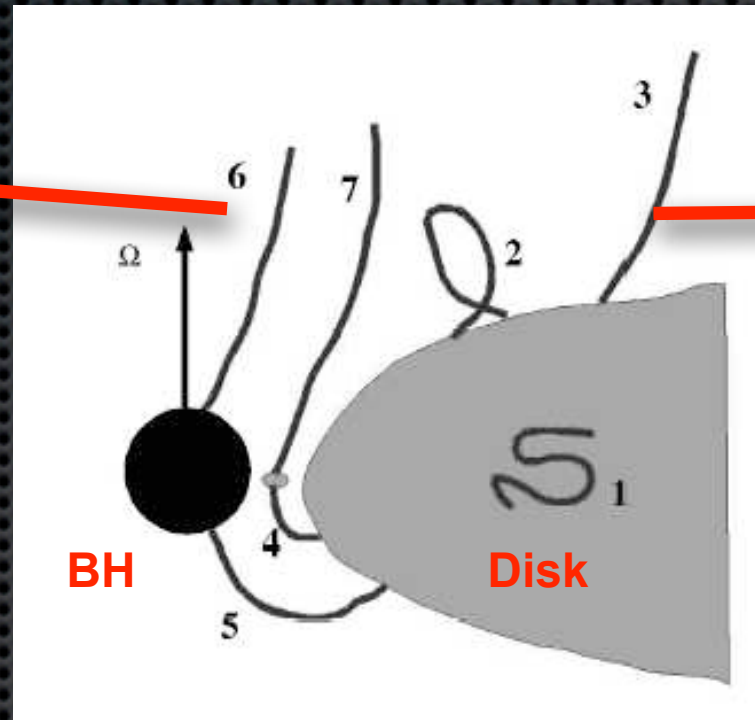


# Jet power: two primary theoretical scenarios

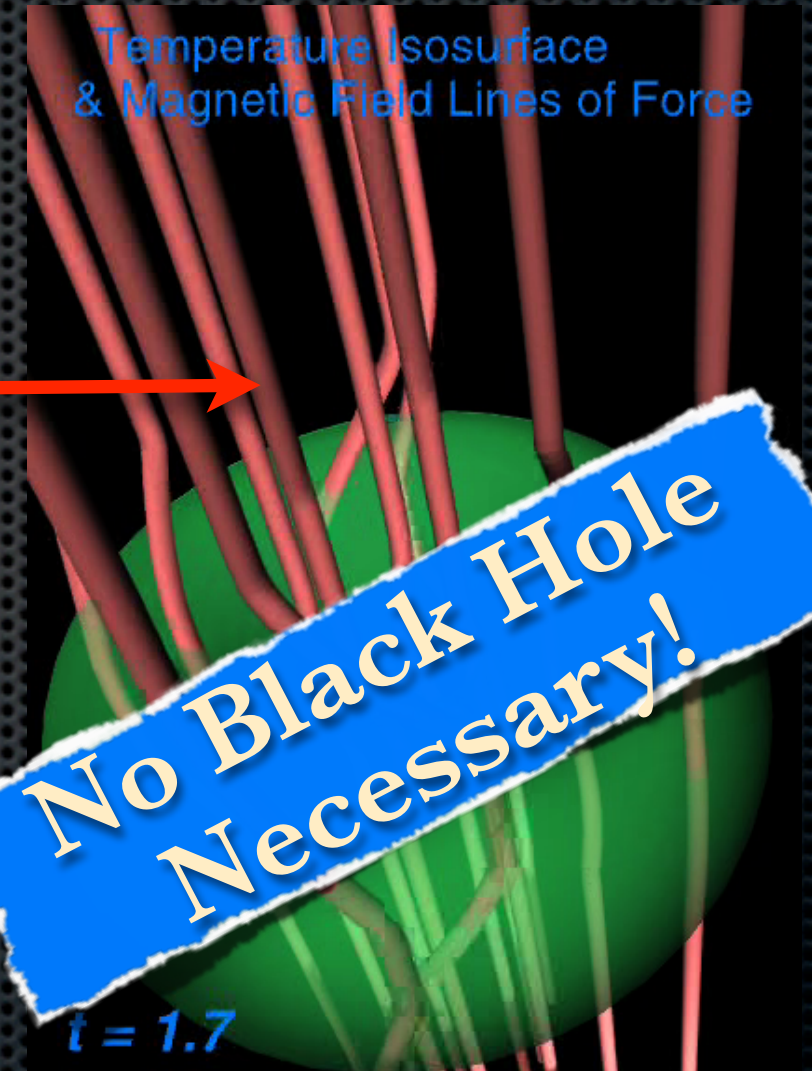
## Blandford-Znajek



- ▶ Spin energy extracted from BH via magnetic fields
- ▶ Jets initiated as  $e^+e^-$  pairs, Poynting flux dominated



## Blandford-Payne



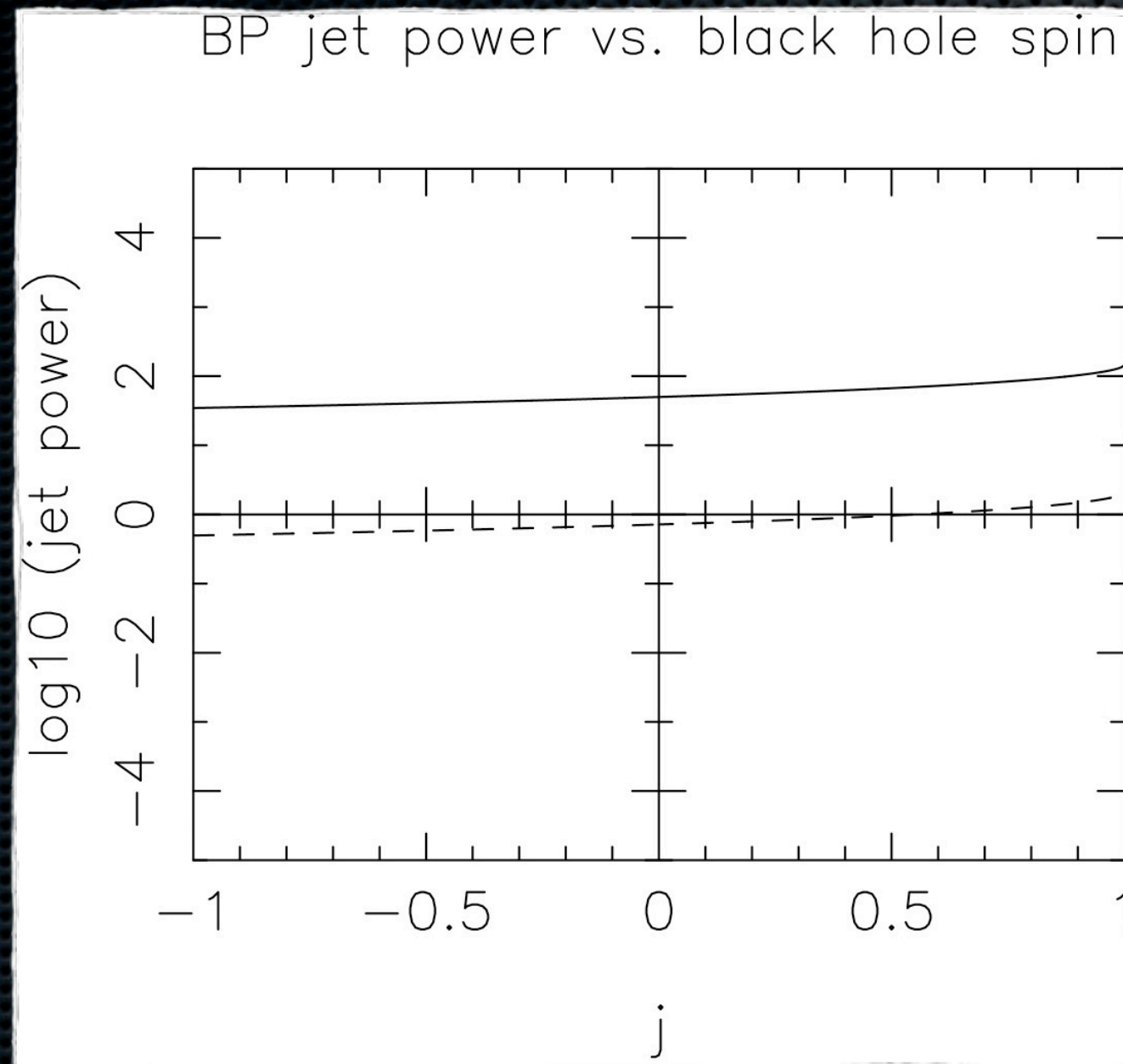
- ▶ Plasma accelerated up field lines from disk ("bead on wire")
- ▶ Jets loaded with neutral matter (ions,  $e^-$ s) from disk

(Blandford & Znajek 1977, Blandford & Payne 1982)



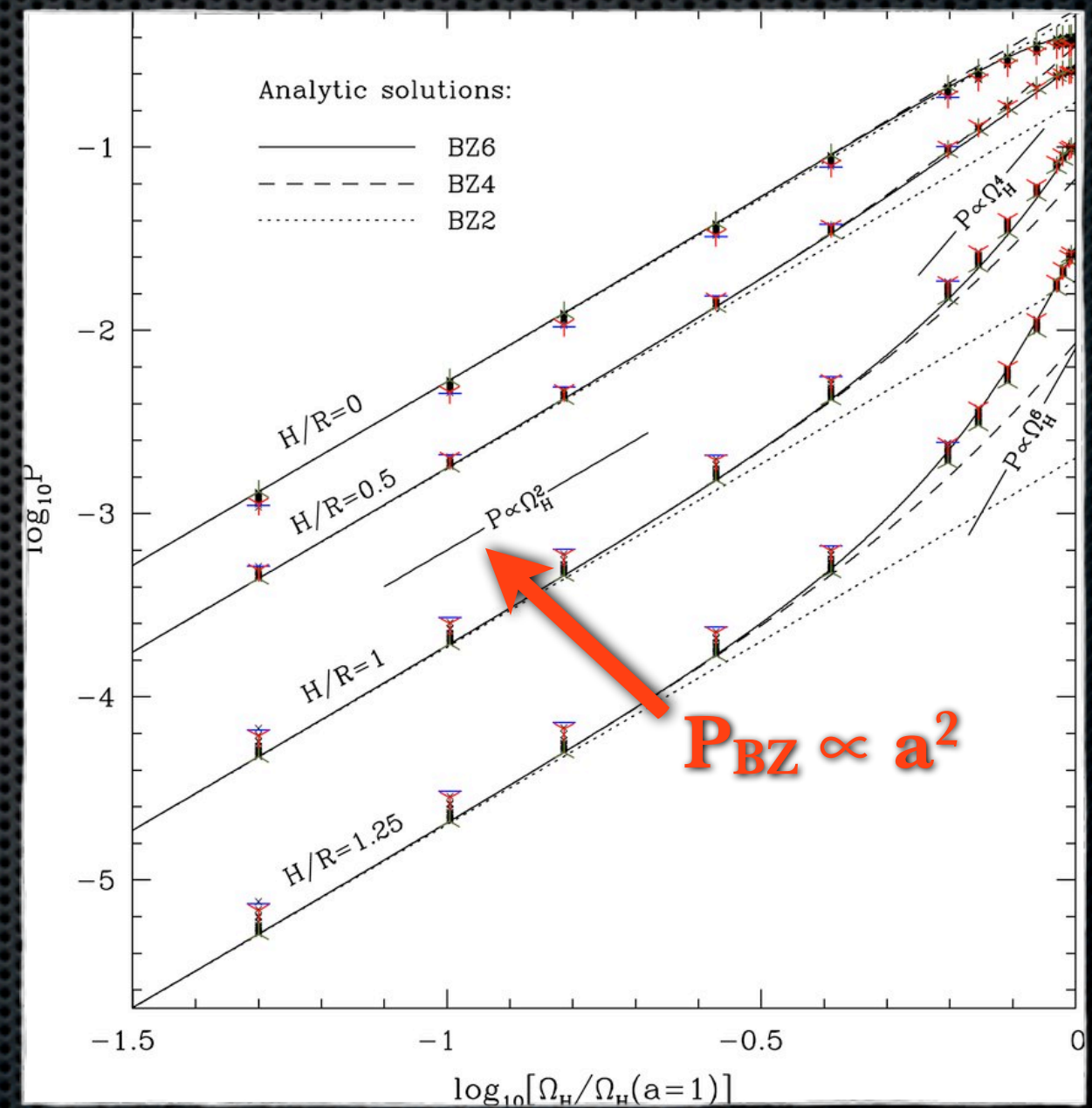
# Jet power: dependence on spin

## Blandford-Payne-like



(Meier 2001, Meier 2012)

## Blandford-Znajek-like

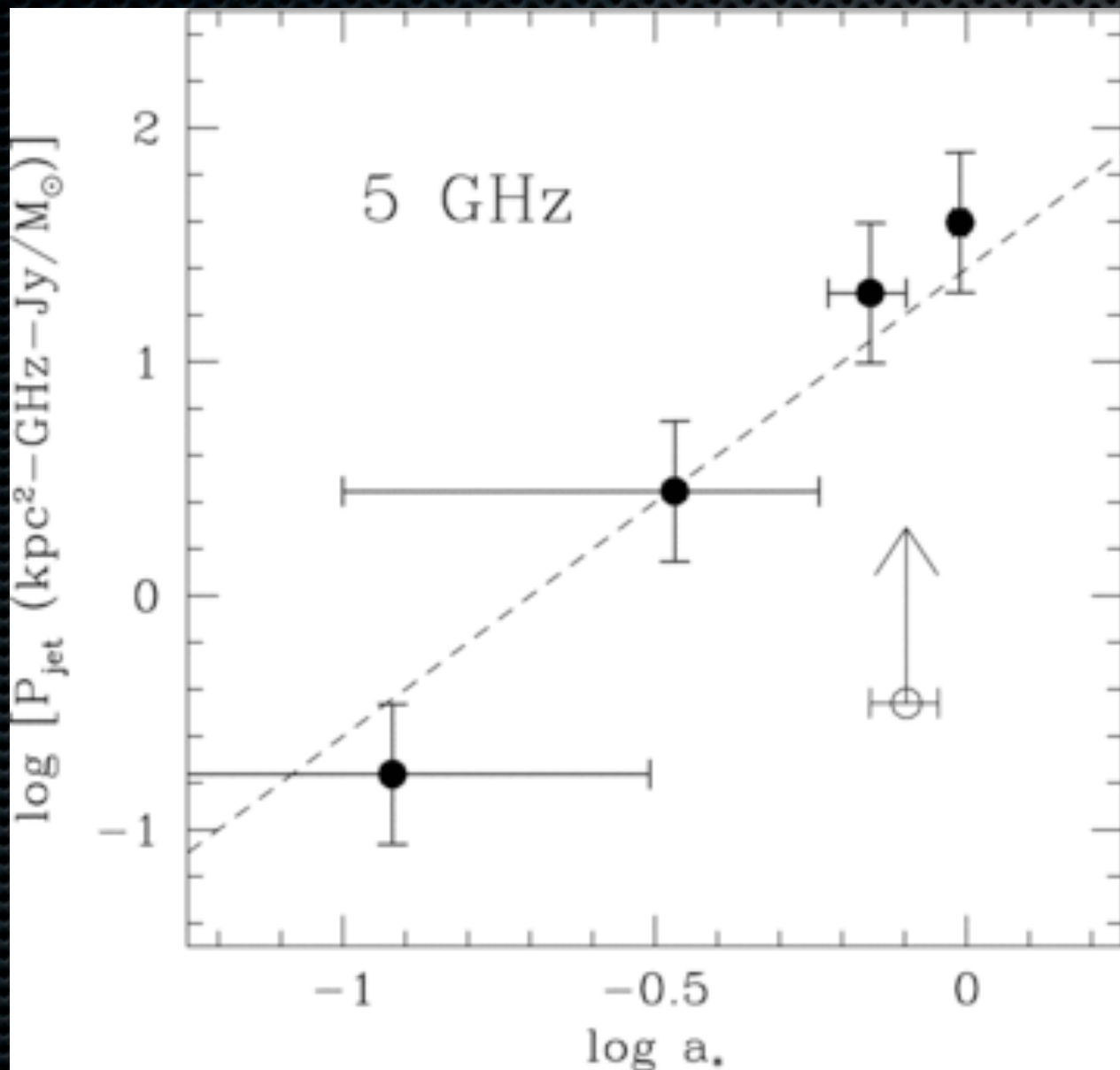


(Tchekhovskoy, Narayan & McKinney 2010)

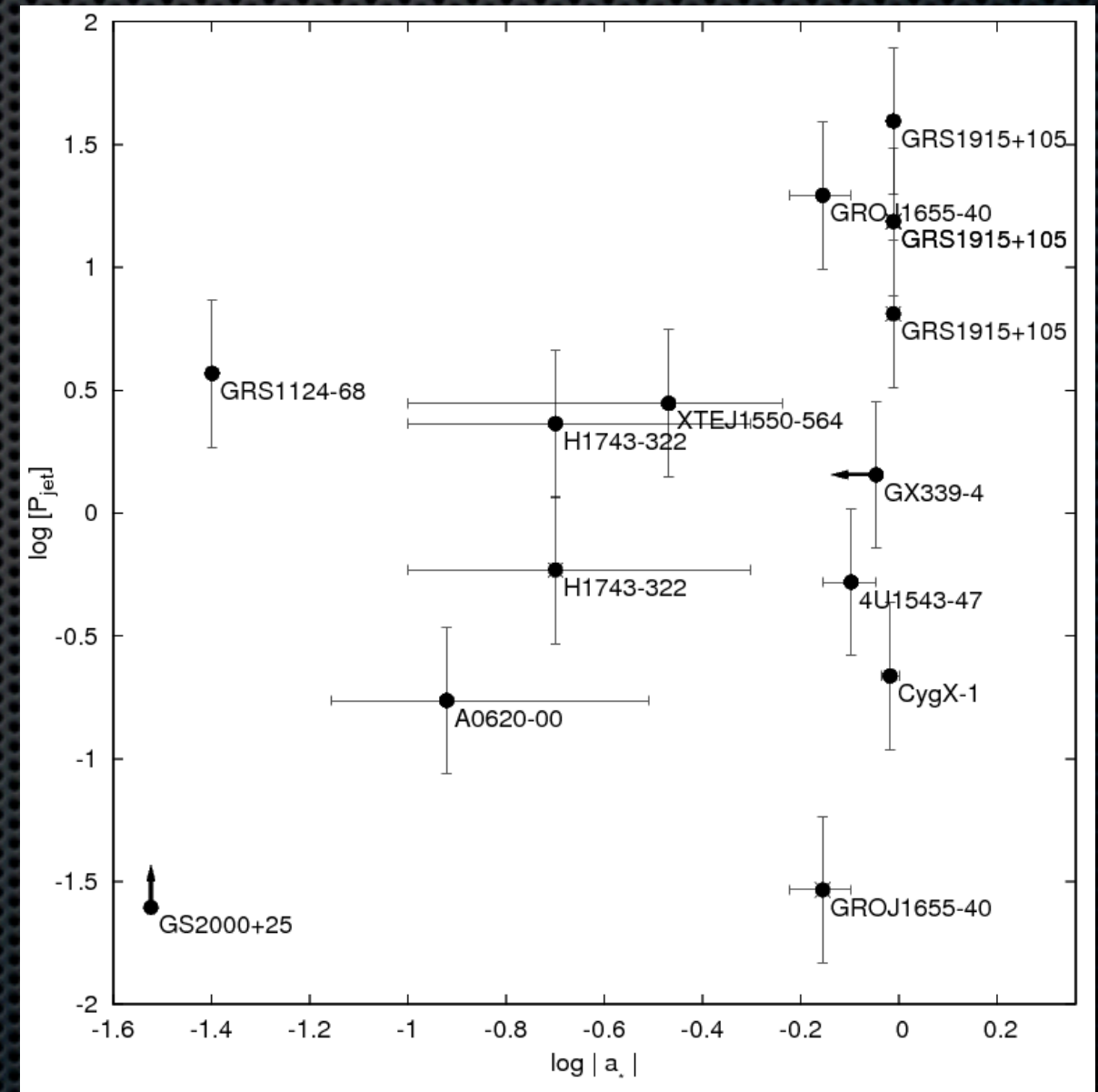


# But... spin definitively is still a problem

- ★ Two groups are looking at this, without yet converging



(Narayan & McClintock 2012)



(Russell, Gallo & Fender 2013)



# Any indication of BZ vs BP in XRBs?

- ★ Cir X-1 is a neutron star XRB and thus if BZ is the dominant force powering jets it should have weaker jets than BH XRBs, and yet...
  - To date it has the fastest jet measured in an XRB (though compact jet recently observed is slower)
  - X-rays detected from impact with ISM, constrain jet power to be  $10^{35}$ - $10^{37}$  erg/s, similar to what we find for black hole XRBs
- ★ But 4U 0614+091 is also a NS XRB, whose jet break was explicitly detected with Spitzer
  - Definitely lower power than BH XRBs, for a comparable X-ray luminosity
  - Implies weaker jets, exactly as one might expect for a “missing” ingredient of Blandford & Znajek power

(Migliari et al. 2006, Heinz et al. 2007, Tudose et al. 2008, Soleri et al. 2009a, Soleri et al. 2009b, Sell et al. 2010, Miller-Jones et al. 2012)



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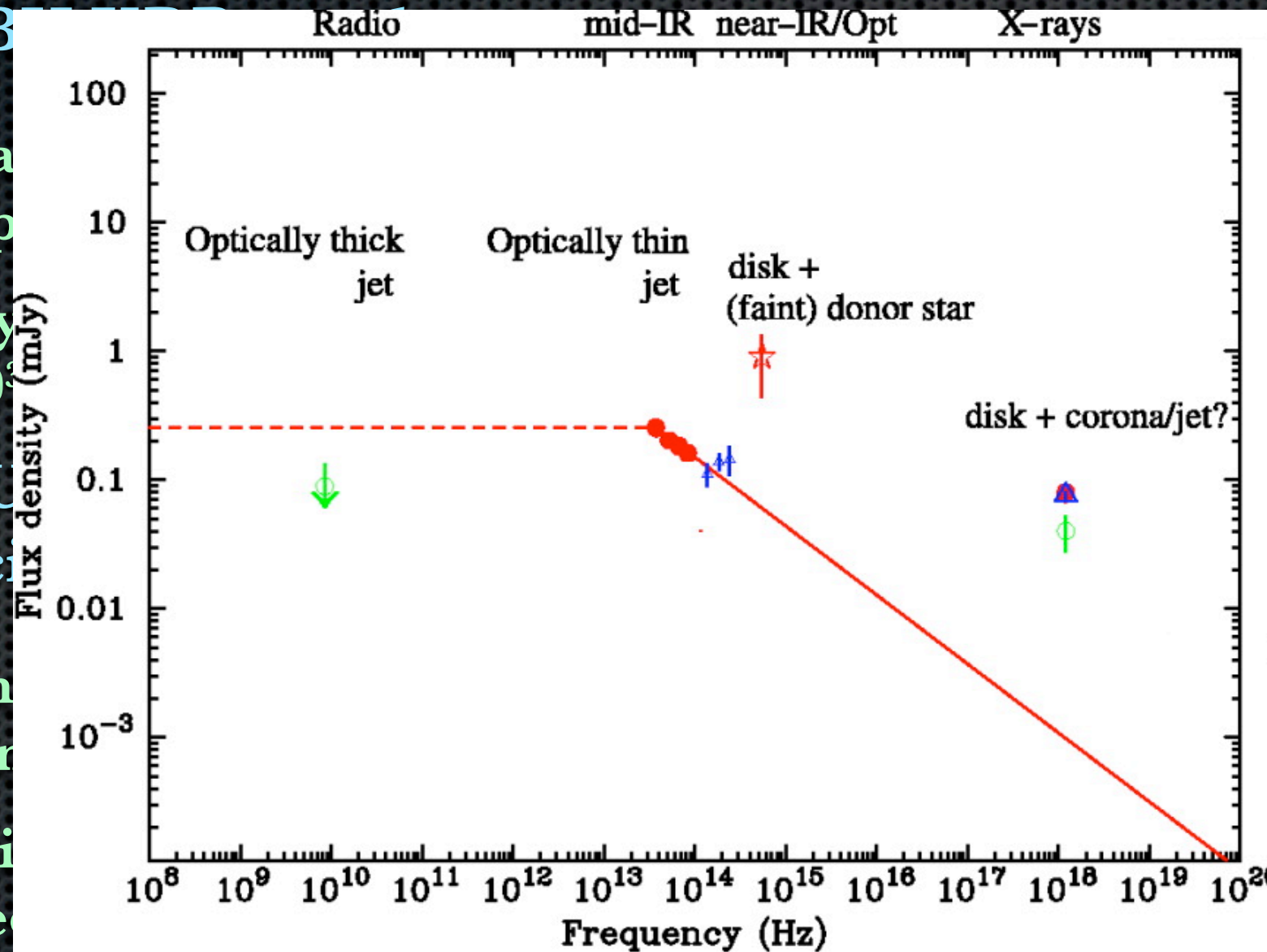
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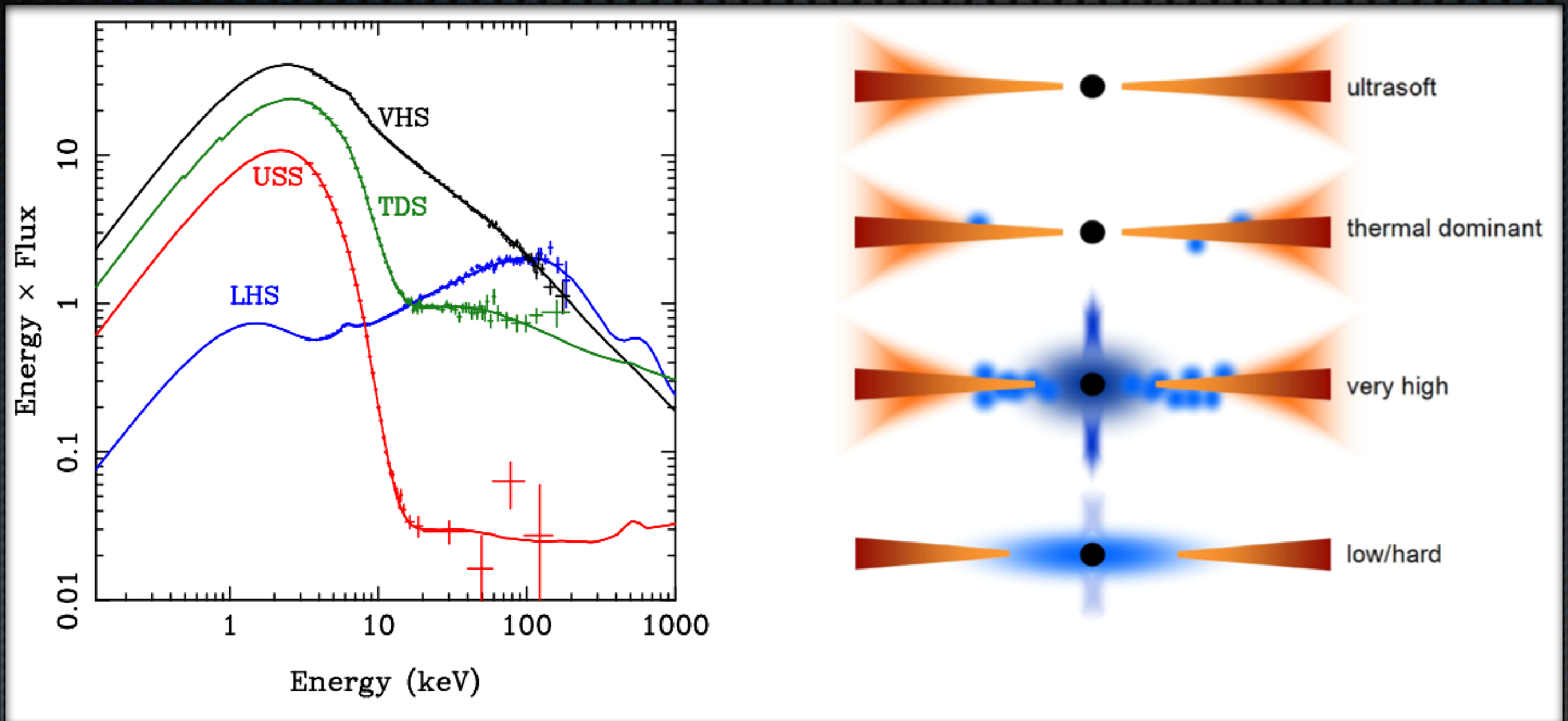
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# Mostly we are left with indirect signals: spectra and lightcurves



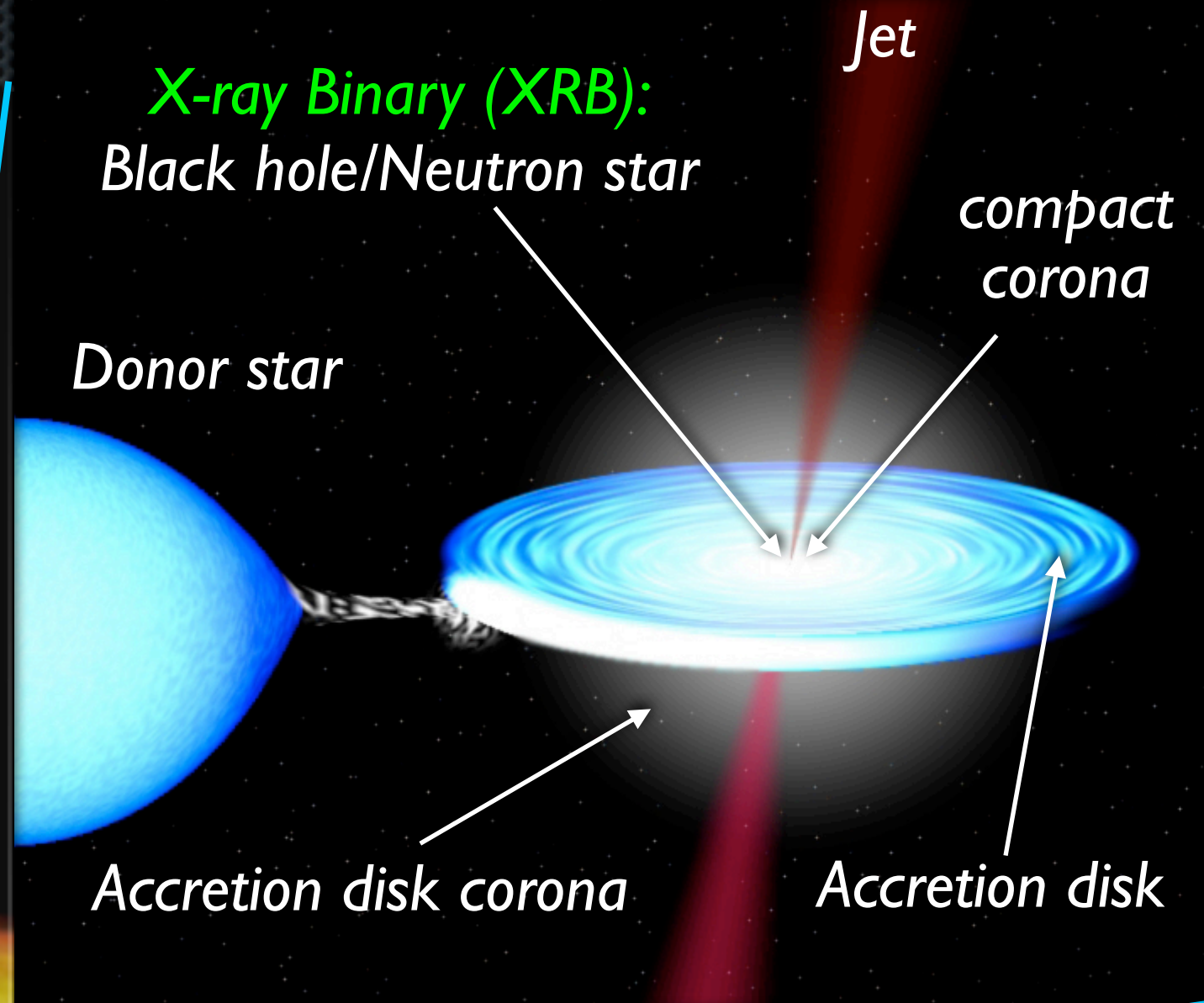
(Esin et al. 1997; Done, Gierlinski & Kubota 2007)



# Can we compare BHs across the mass scale?

Supermassive BH =  
Active Galactic  
Nucleus (AGN)

$M_{\text{BH}} \sim 10^7 - 10^{10} M_{\odot}$



$M_{\text{BH}} \sim 10 M_{\odot}$



# Can we compare BHs across the mass scale?

## ★ Differences in material accreted

- ▶ surrounding gas conditions ( $T, v$ )  $\Rightarrow$  capture radius
- ▶ angular momentum  $\Rightarrow$  accretion inflow geometry
- ▶ magnetic field  $\Rightarrow$  carried in or amplified  $\Rightarrow$  jets

## ★ Differences in the larger outer environment

- ▶ outer pressure gradient can affect disk/jets, influence their structures

## ★ Differences in the (accretion) history of the BH $\Rightarrow$ different accumulations of spin

- ▶ mergers can come in all directions, randomize the inflows
- ▶ different modes of feeding: cold streamers or stellar winds
- ▶ X-ray binaries: feeding off companion star generally spins up the black hole

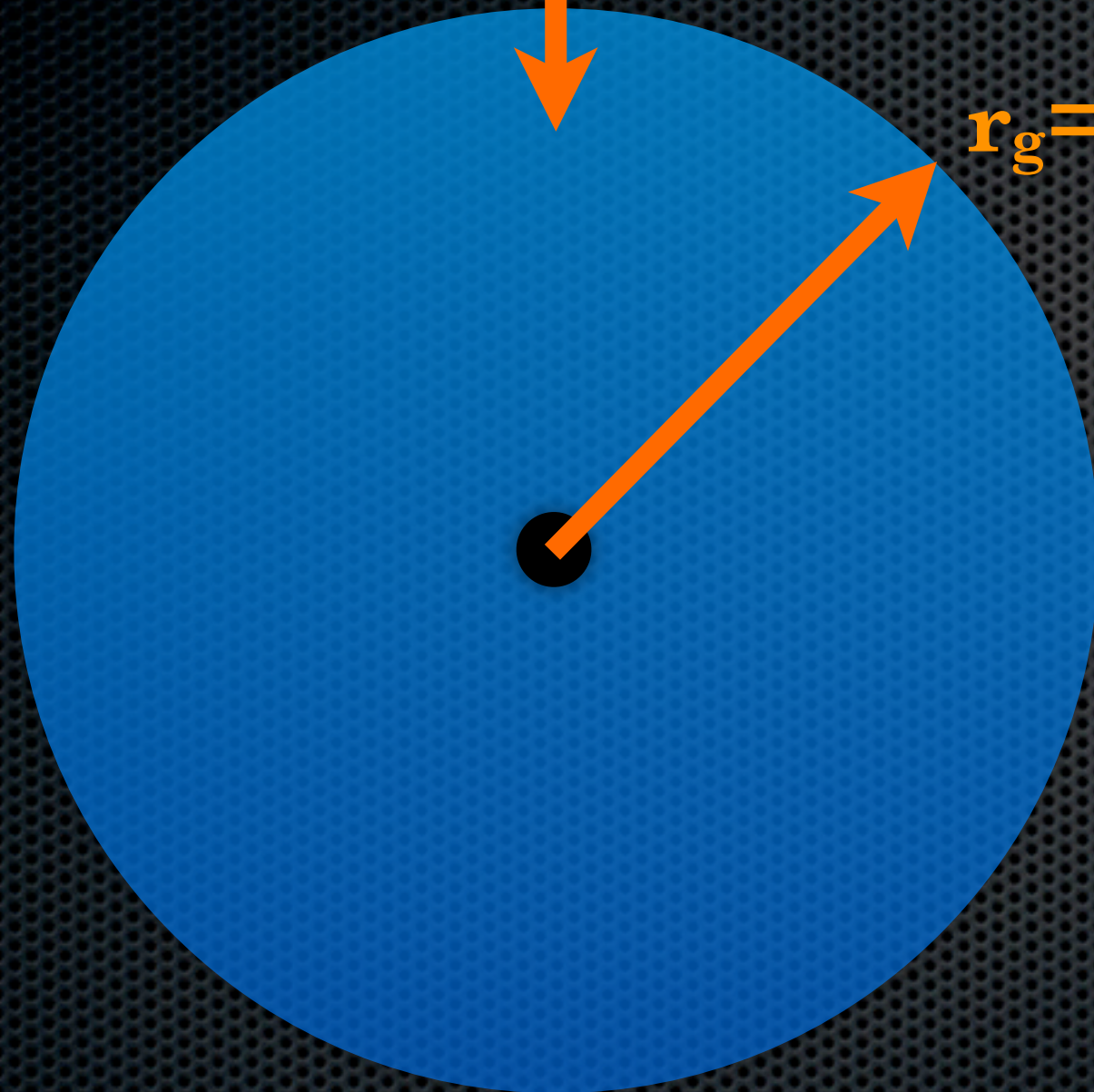


# Mass scaling units of size & power/efficiency

@ $6r_g$   
 $v=1/3c$

$$L_{\text{Edd}} = 1.3 \times 10^{38} (M/M_\odot) \text{ erg/s} = \eta \dot{M} c^2$$
$$\dot{m} \equiv \dot{M}/\dot{M}_{\text{Edd}}, \text{ where } L_{\text{Edd}} = 0.1 \dot{M}_{\text{Edd}} c^2$$

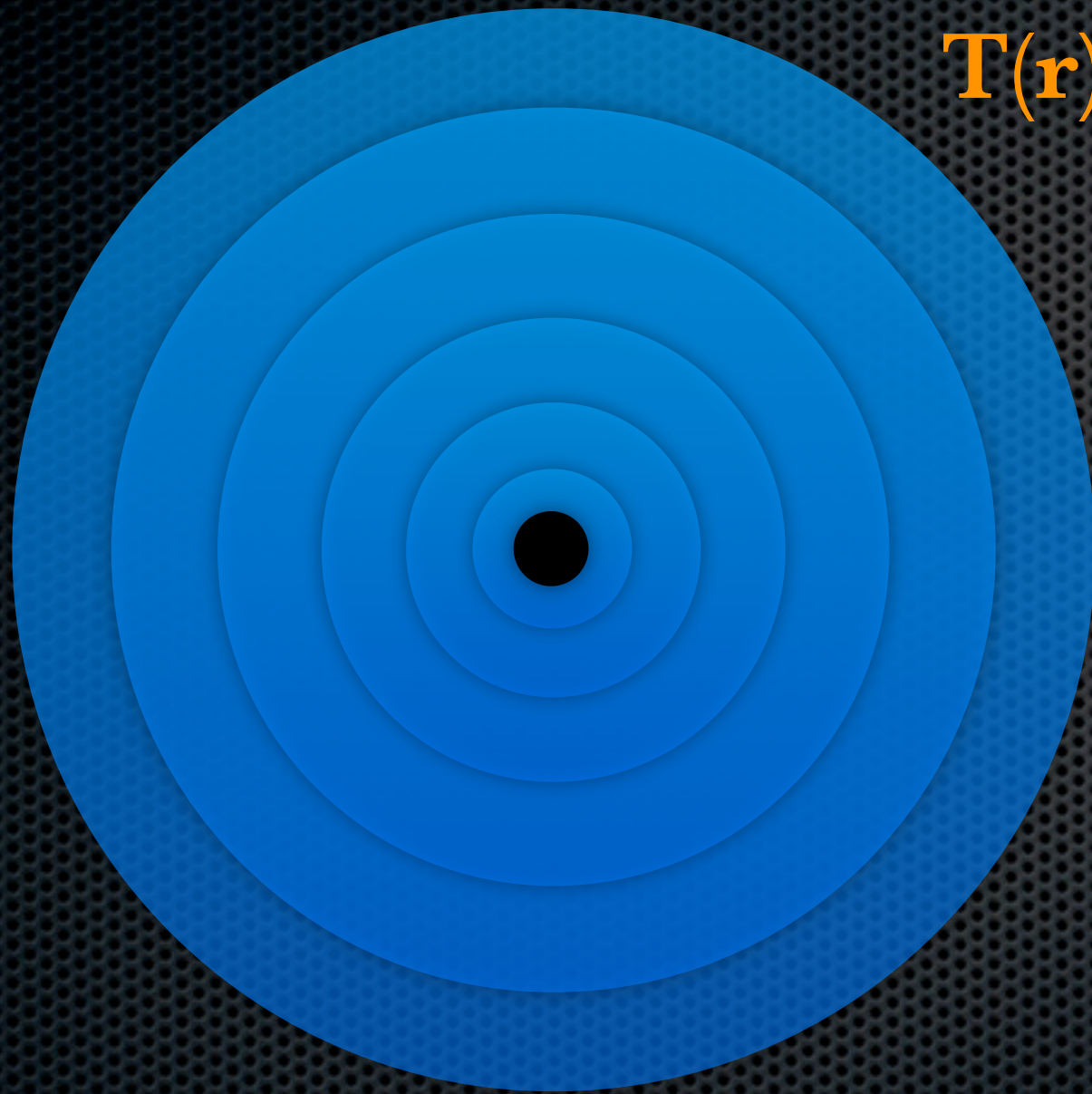
$$r_g = GM/c^2 = 1.5 \times 10^5 (M/M_\odot) \text{ cm}$$



But how different are the  
\*physical\* quantities?  
I.e., what's the difference  
in density at the ISCO  
( $6r_g$ ) between an XRB  
( $10M_\odot$ ) and a SMBH  
( $10^8M_\odot$ ) accreting at 1%  
of  $\dot{M}_{\text{Edd}}$ ?



# Application: multicolor blackbody (thin disk: Zezas' talk)



$$T(r) \sim r^{-3/4}$$

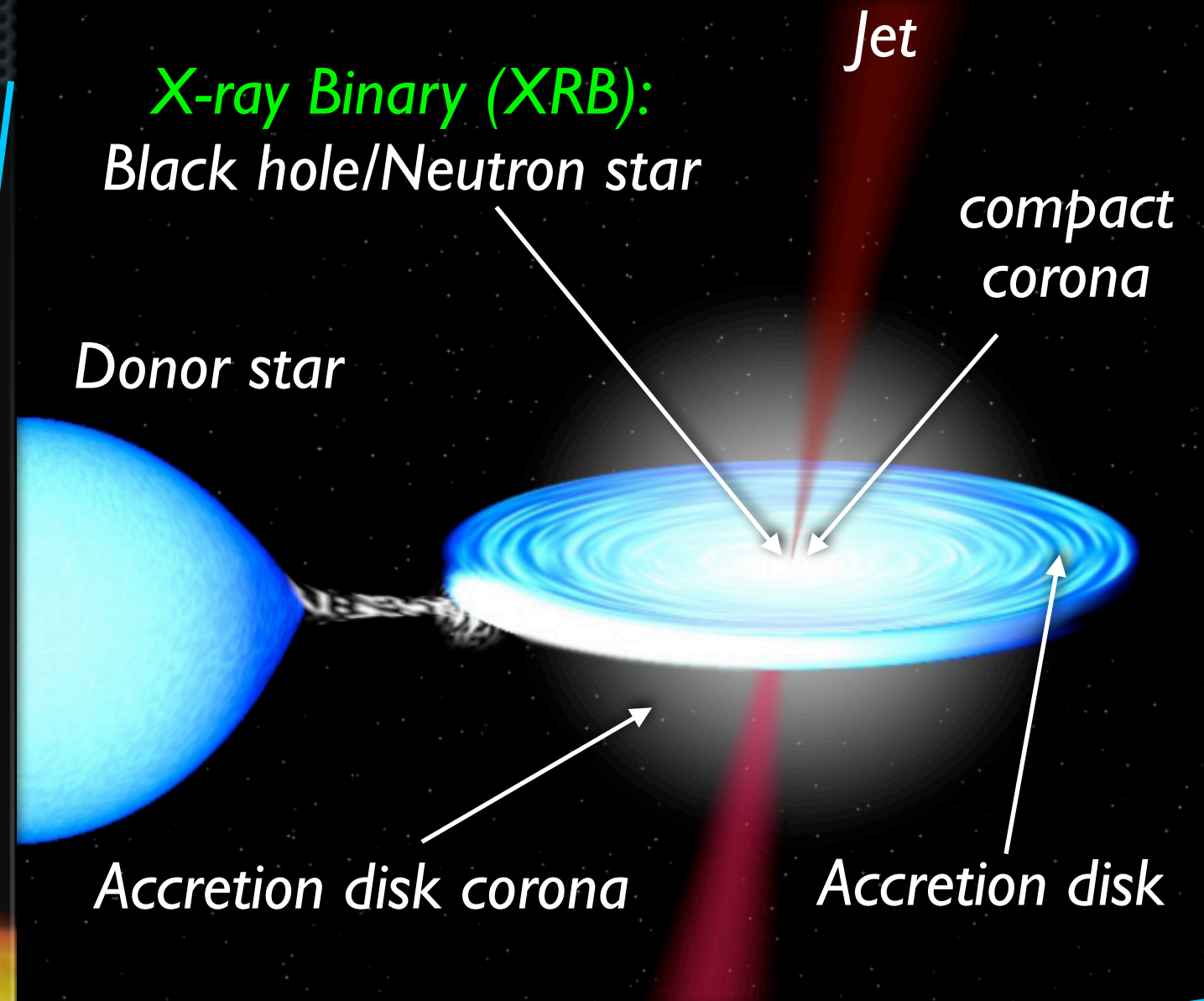
$$\Rightarrow T_{\text{SMBH}}/T_{\text{XRB}} = (r_{\text{SMBH}}/r_{\text{XRB}})^{3/4} = (10^7)^{3/4} \sim 2 \times 10^5$$

I.e., the “big blue bump” associated with AGN accretion disk moves to the X-rays for X-ray binaries (thus the name!)



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# Can we compare BHs across the mass scale?

QUASAR (AGN)

MICROQUASAR (XRB)

Jet

$10^{4-5}$  yrs!

1 day

$10^6$  light years

3 light years

compact  
corona

accretion disk

(Mirabel et al. 92,98)

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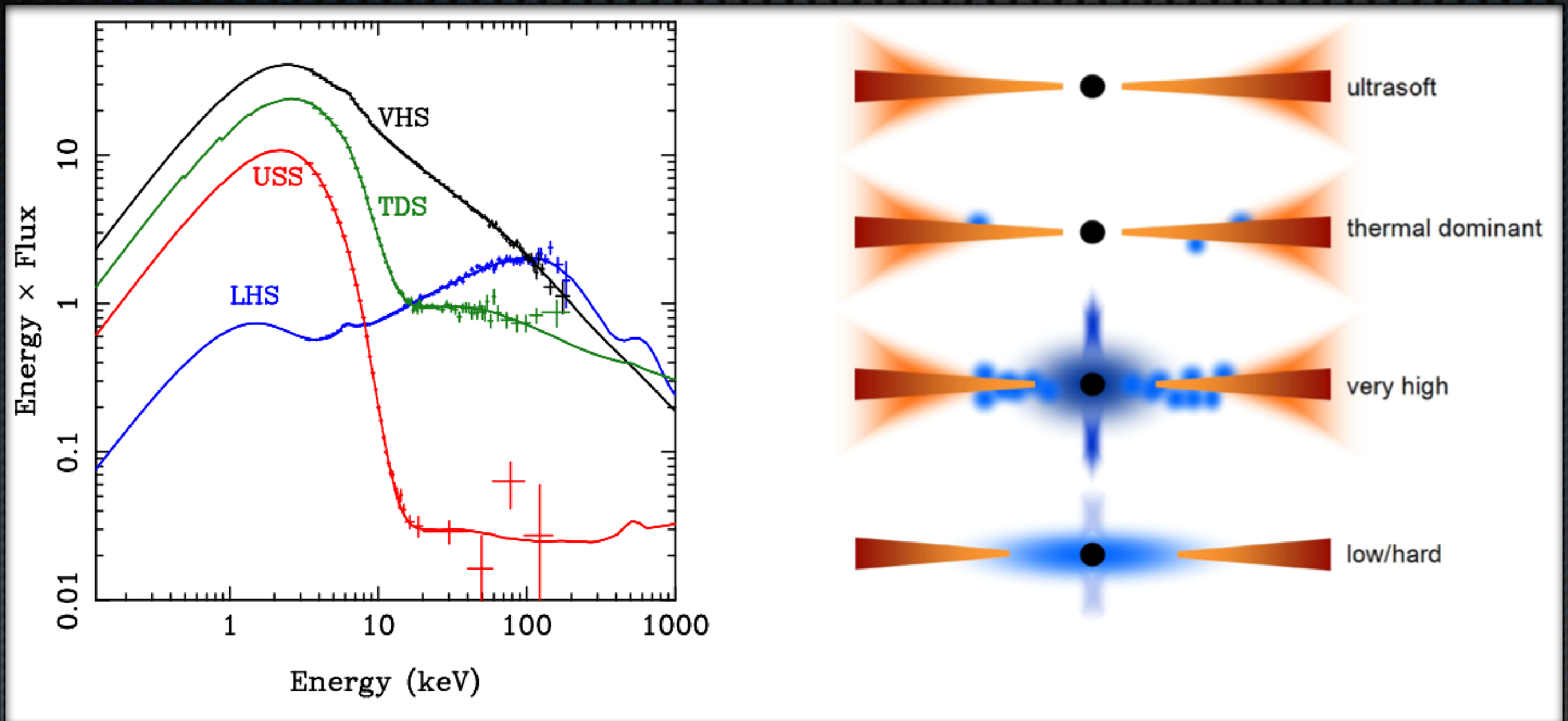
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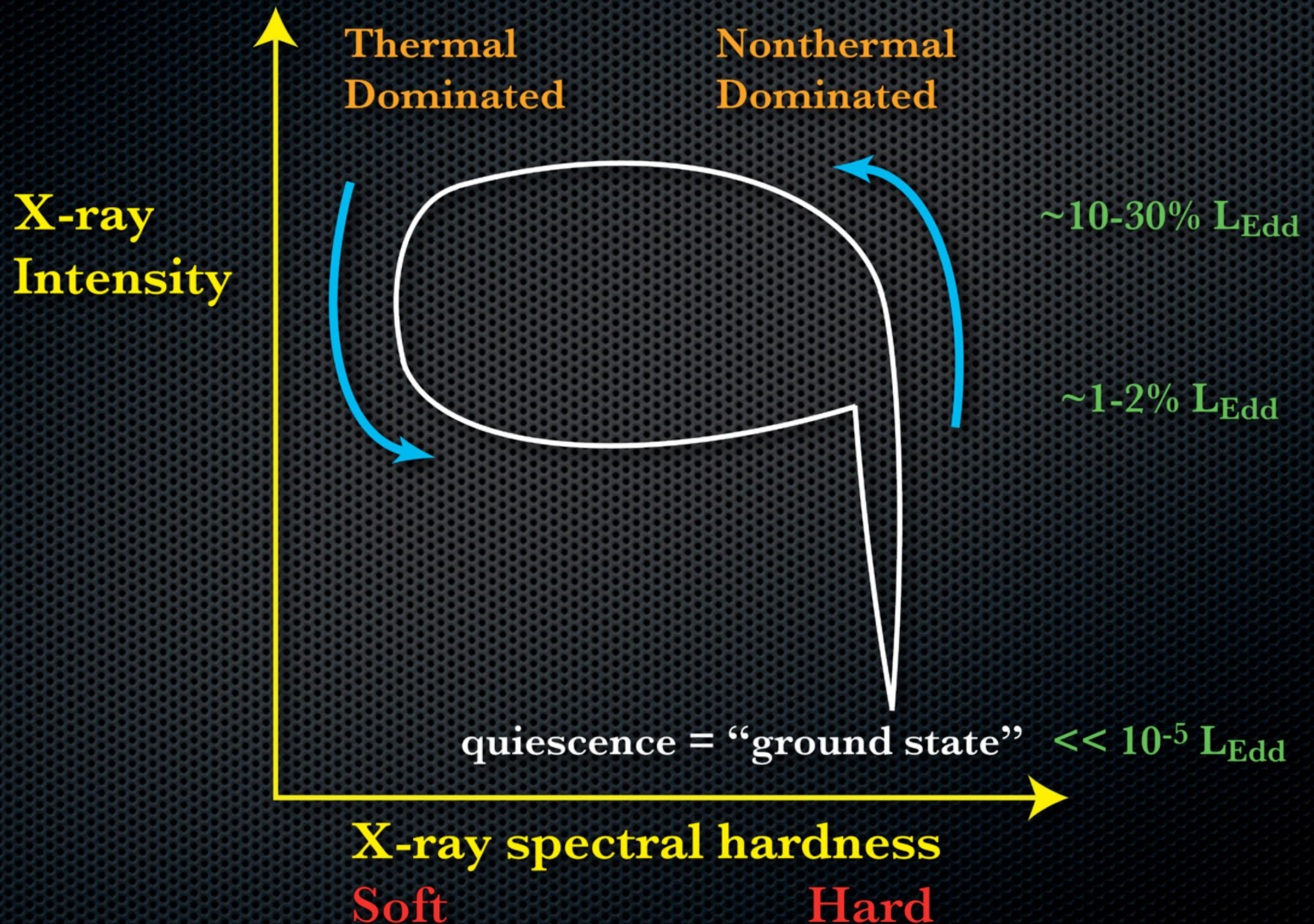
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(Esin et al. 1997; Done, Gierlinski & Kubota 2007)



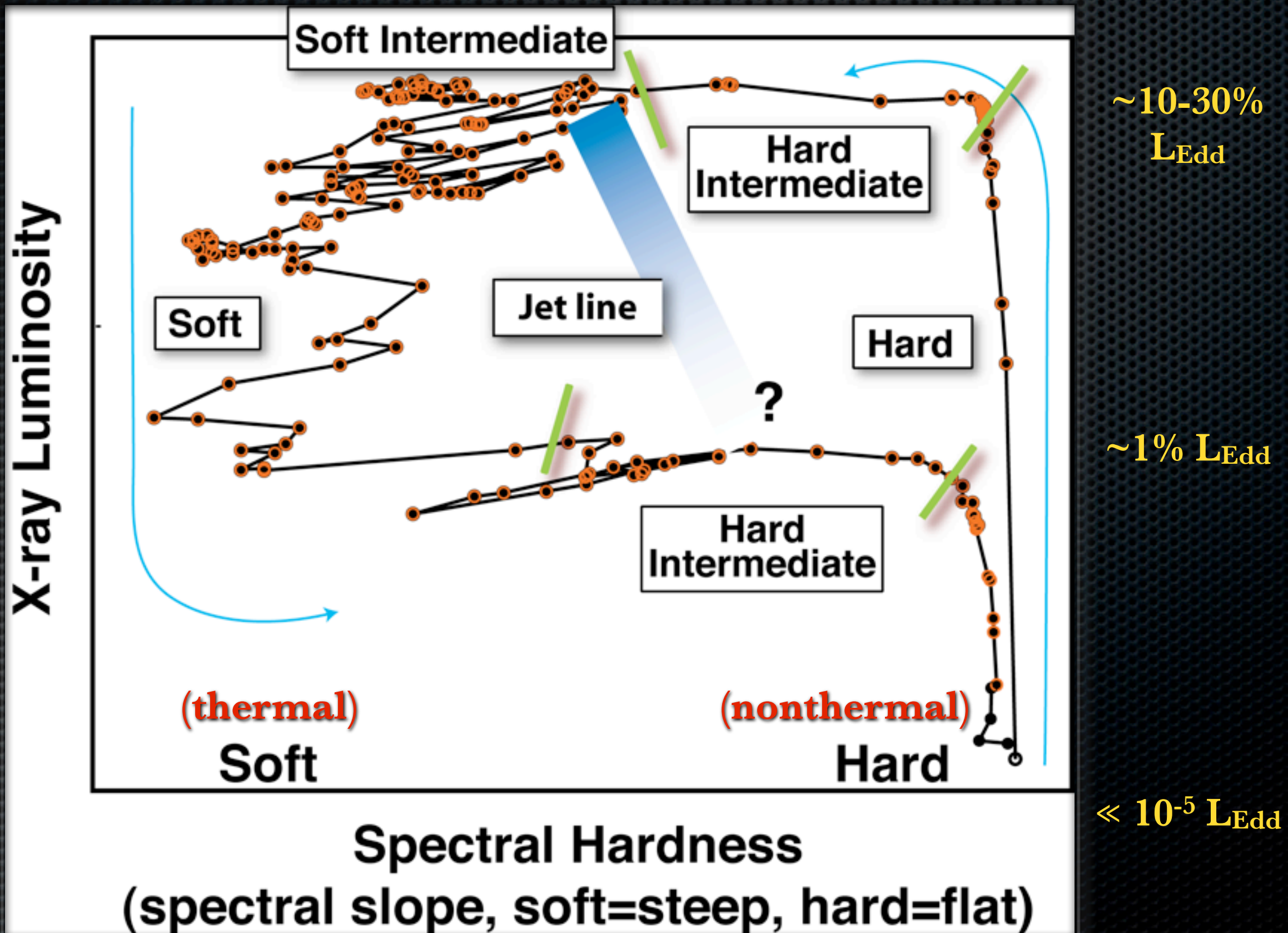
# Time variable XRB behavior: The hardness-intensity diagram (HID): A schematic view





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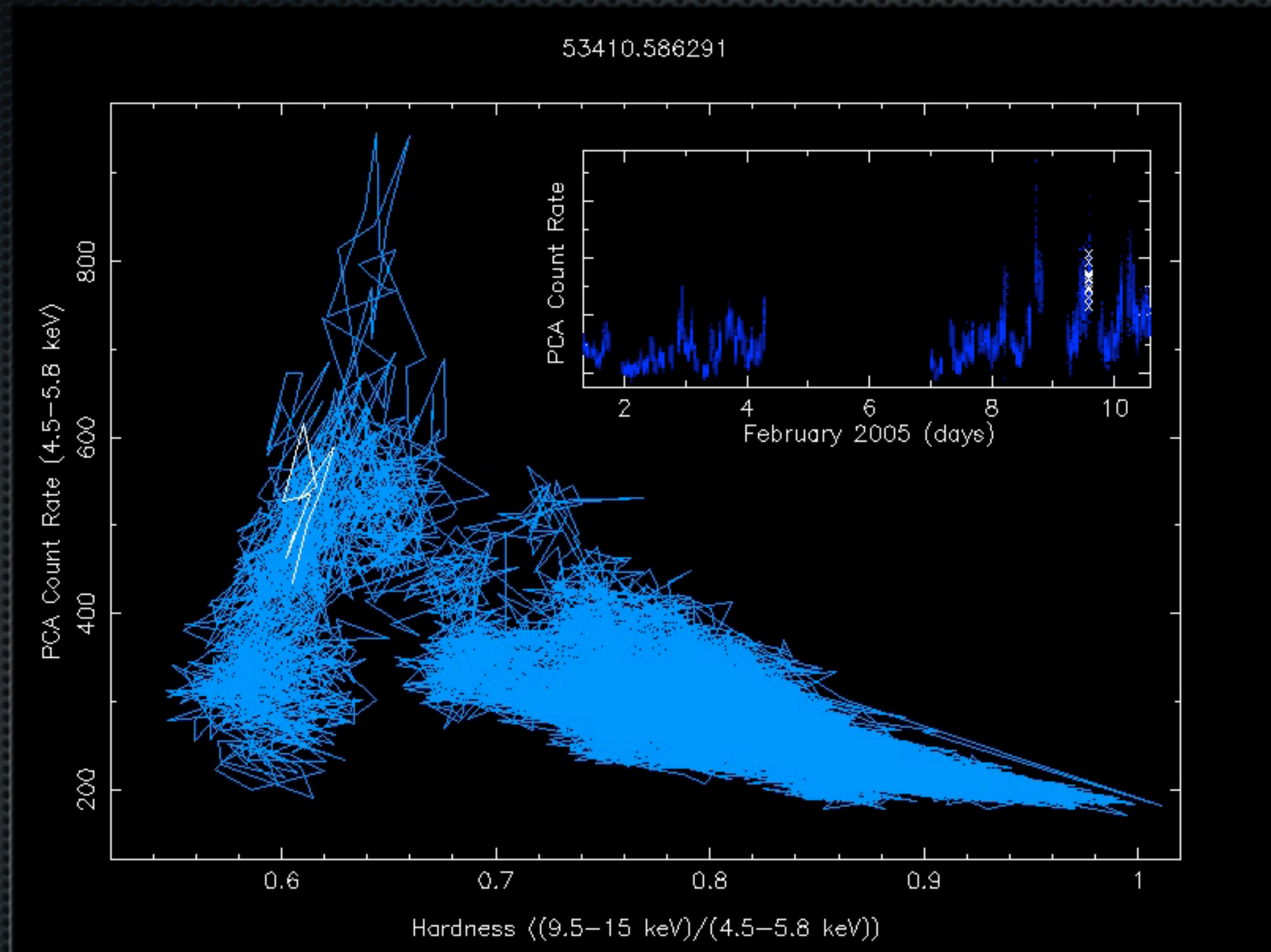
## GX339-4 data with states indicated





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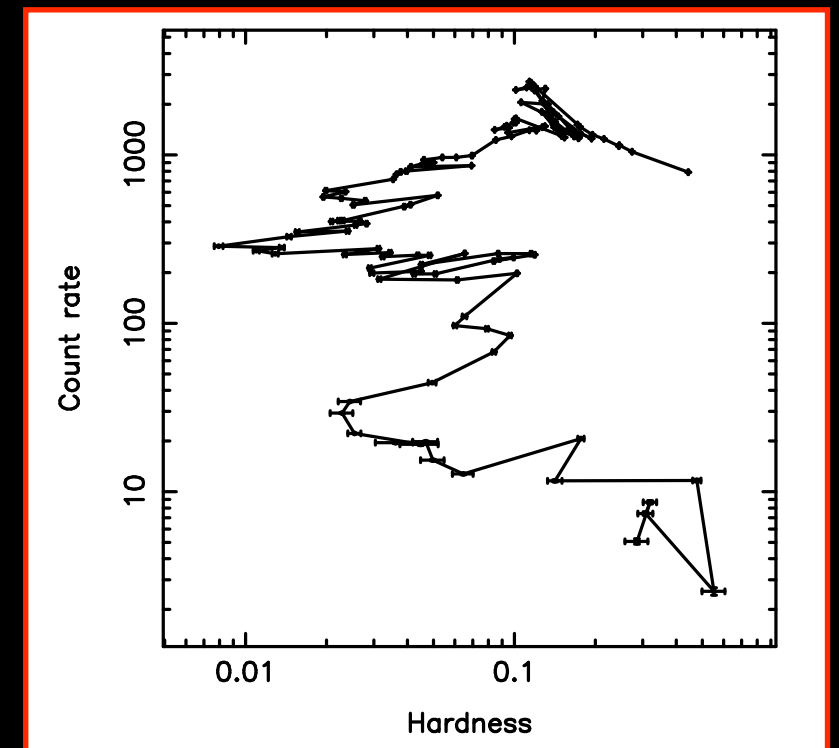
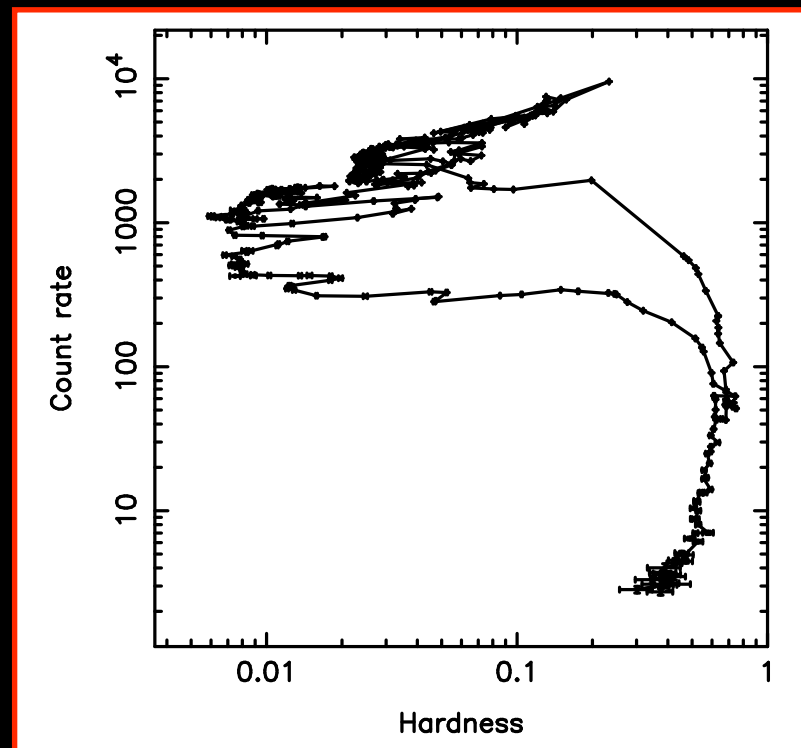
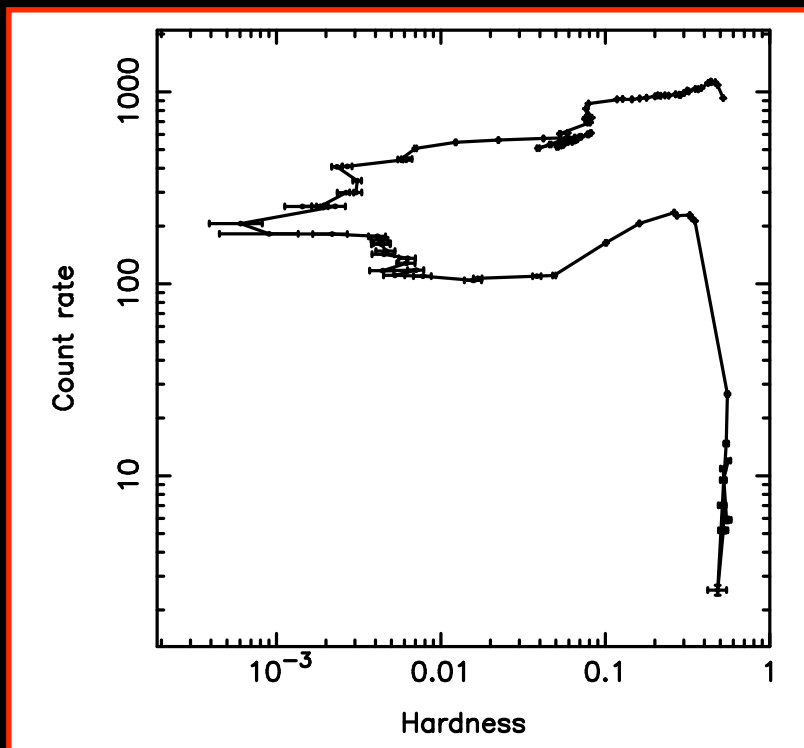
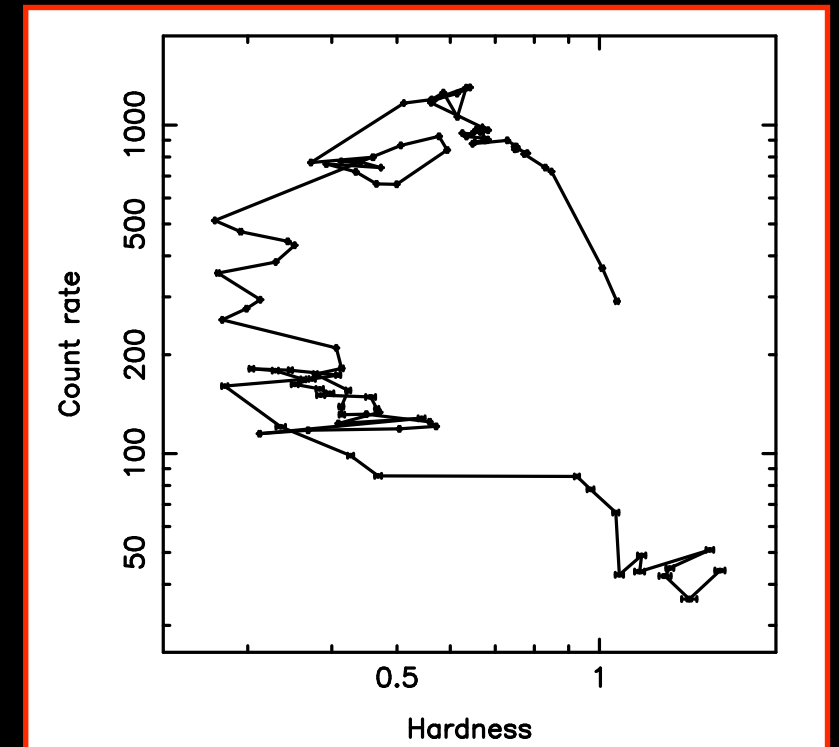
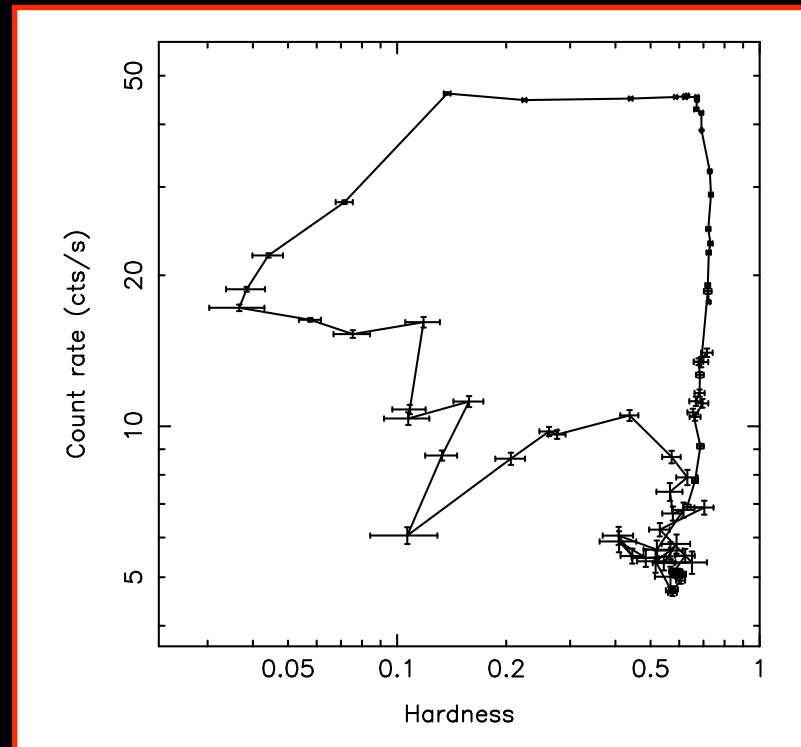
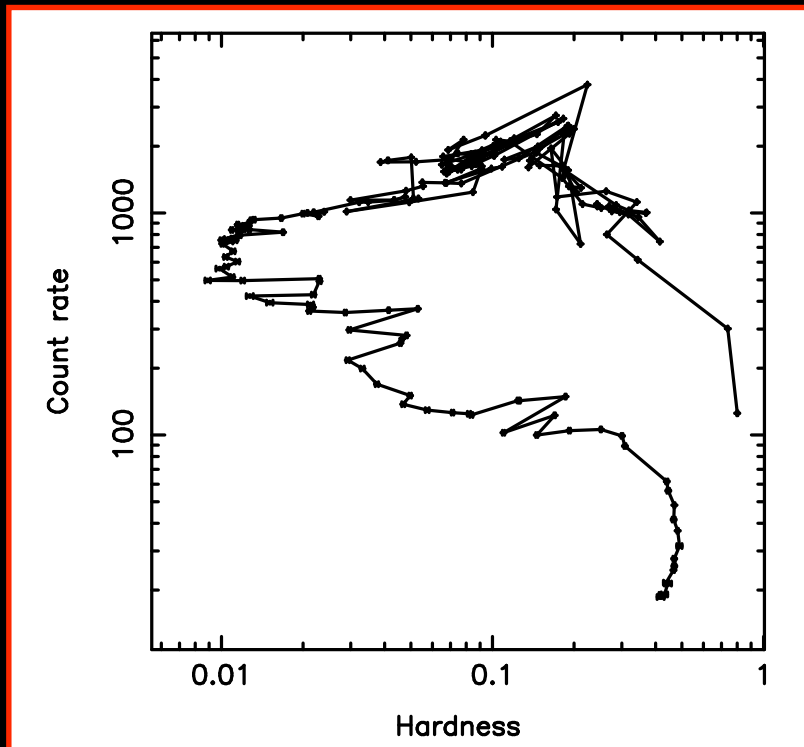
Real data in real time: Cyg X-1



(Movie courtesy M. Böck, from monitoring campaign by Wilms, Nowak, Markoff, et al.)



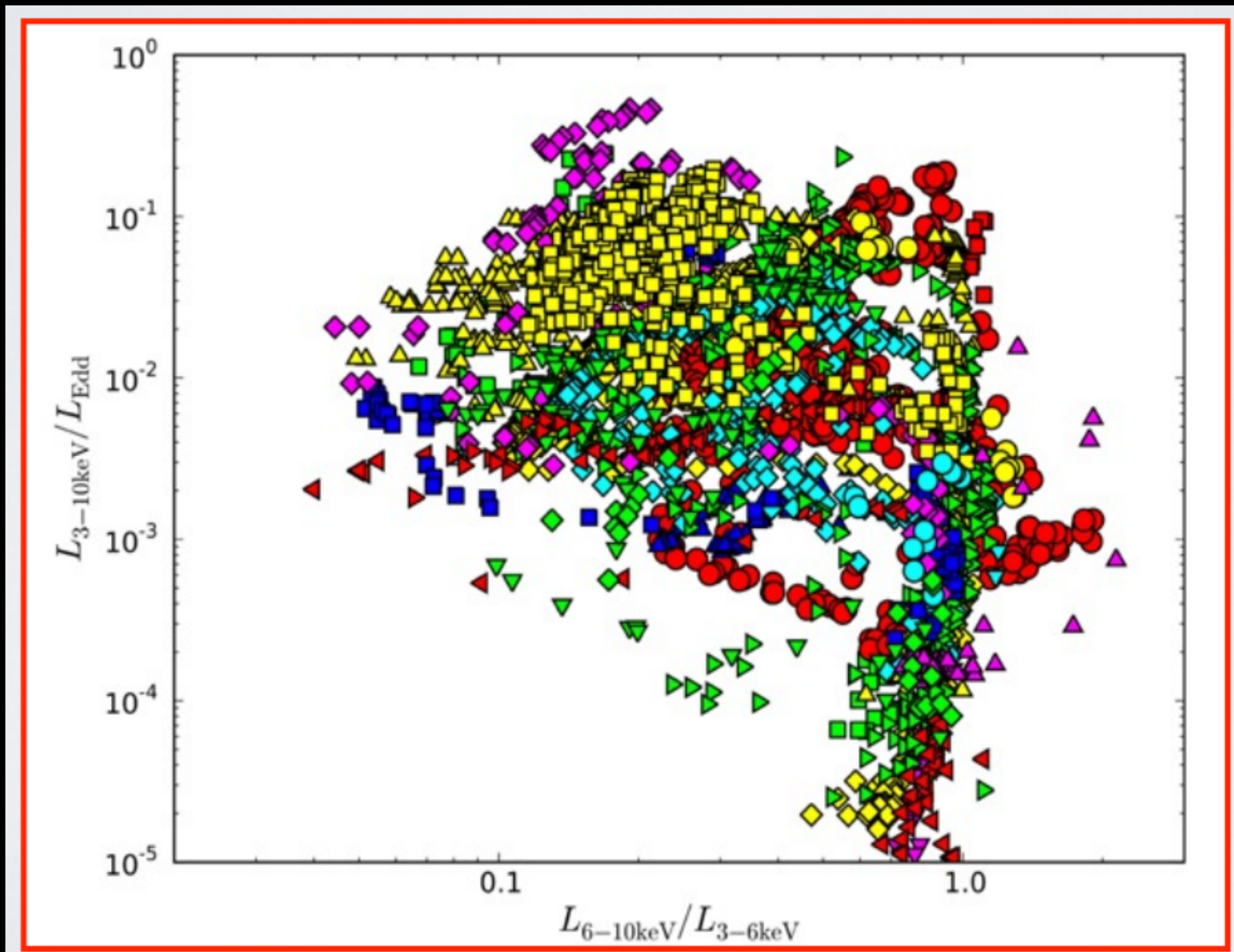
# hysteresis



(Figure from J. Homan)



# variable transitions



source,  
outburst

(Figures from J. Homan, Dunn et al. 2010 )



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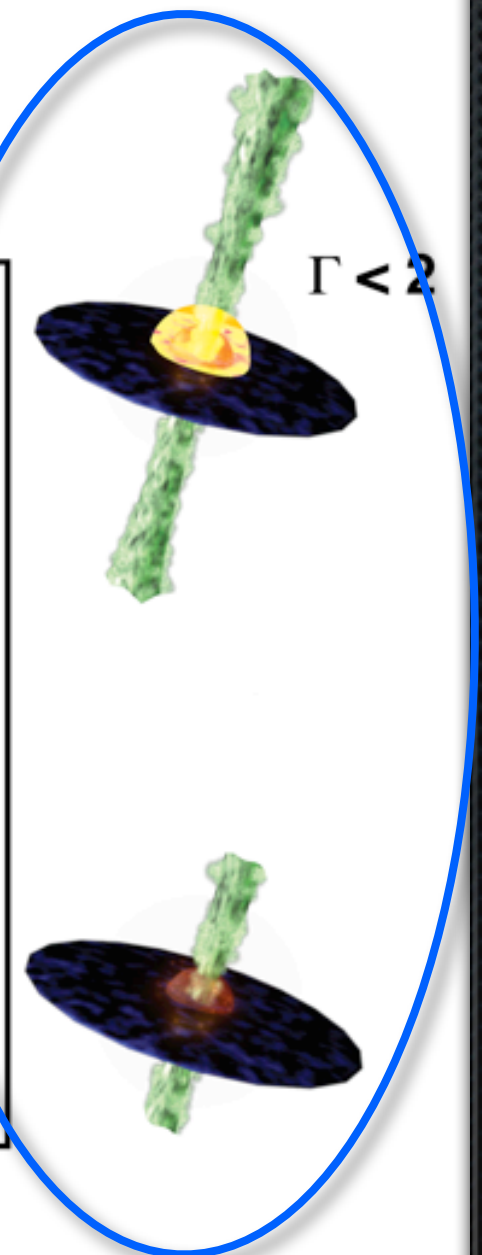
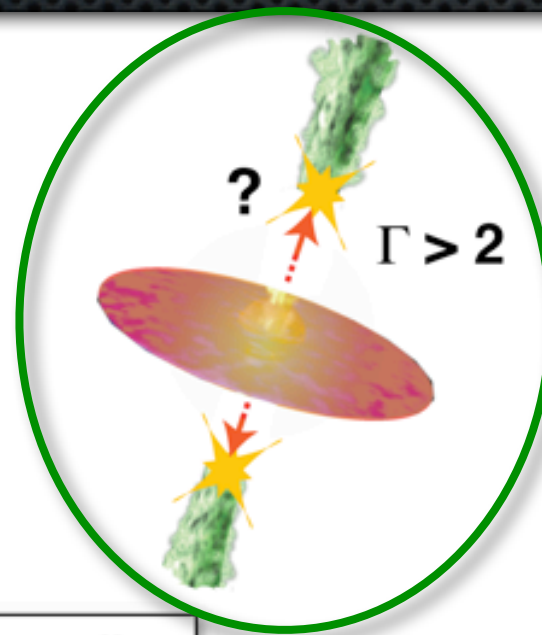
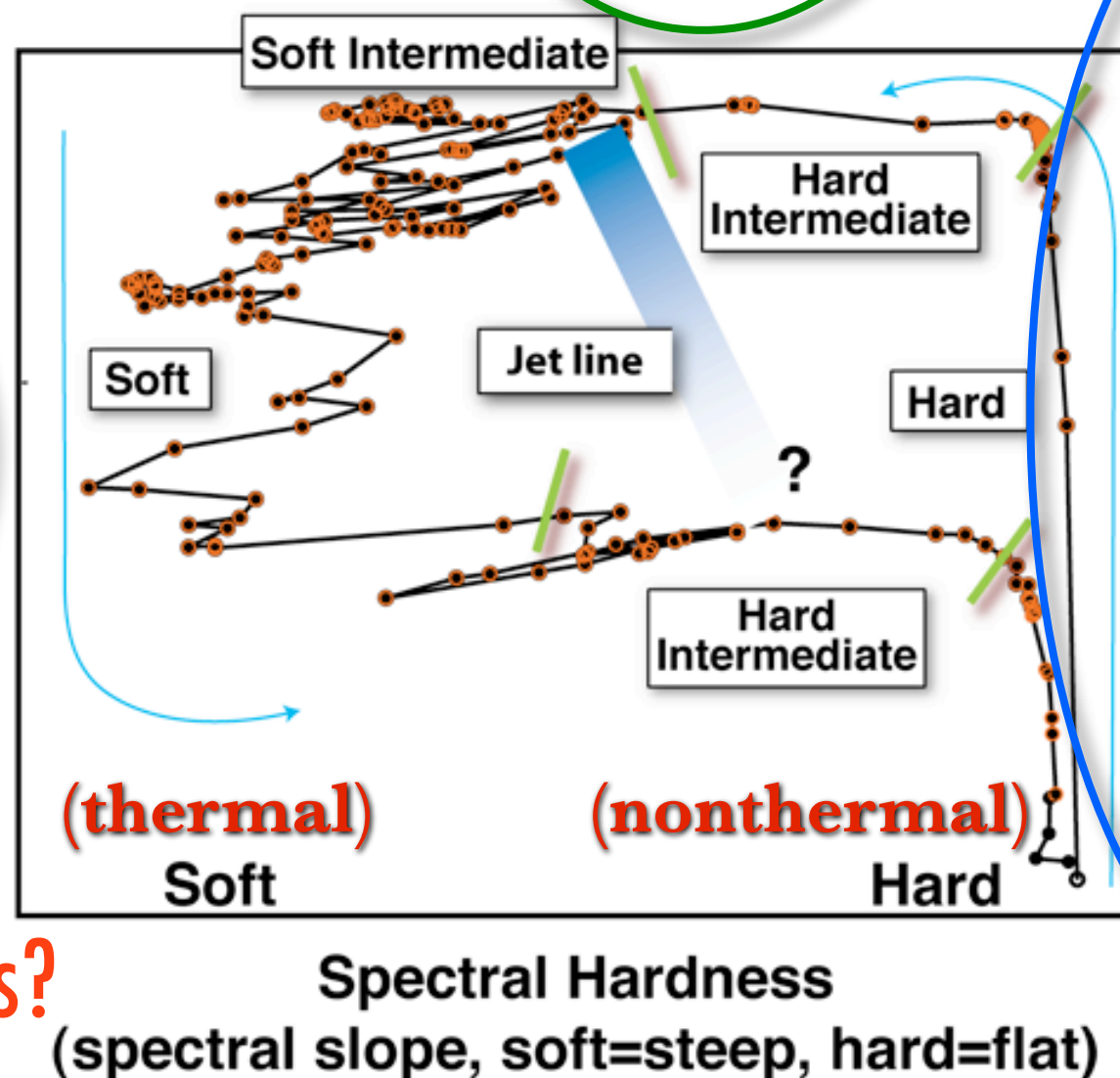
Complex cycle of different forms of power output

HIM/SIM transition  
= ballistic jets

Hard state:  
= steady jets



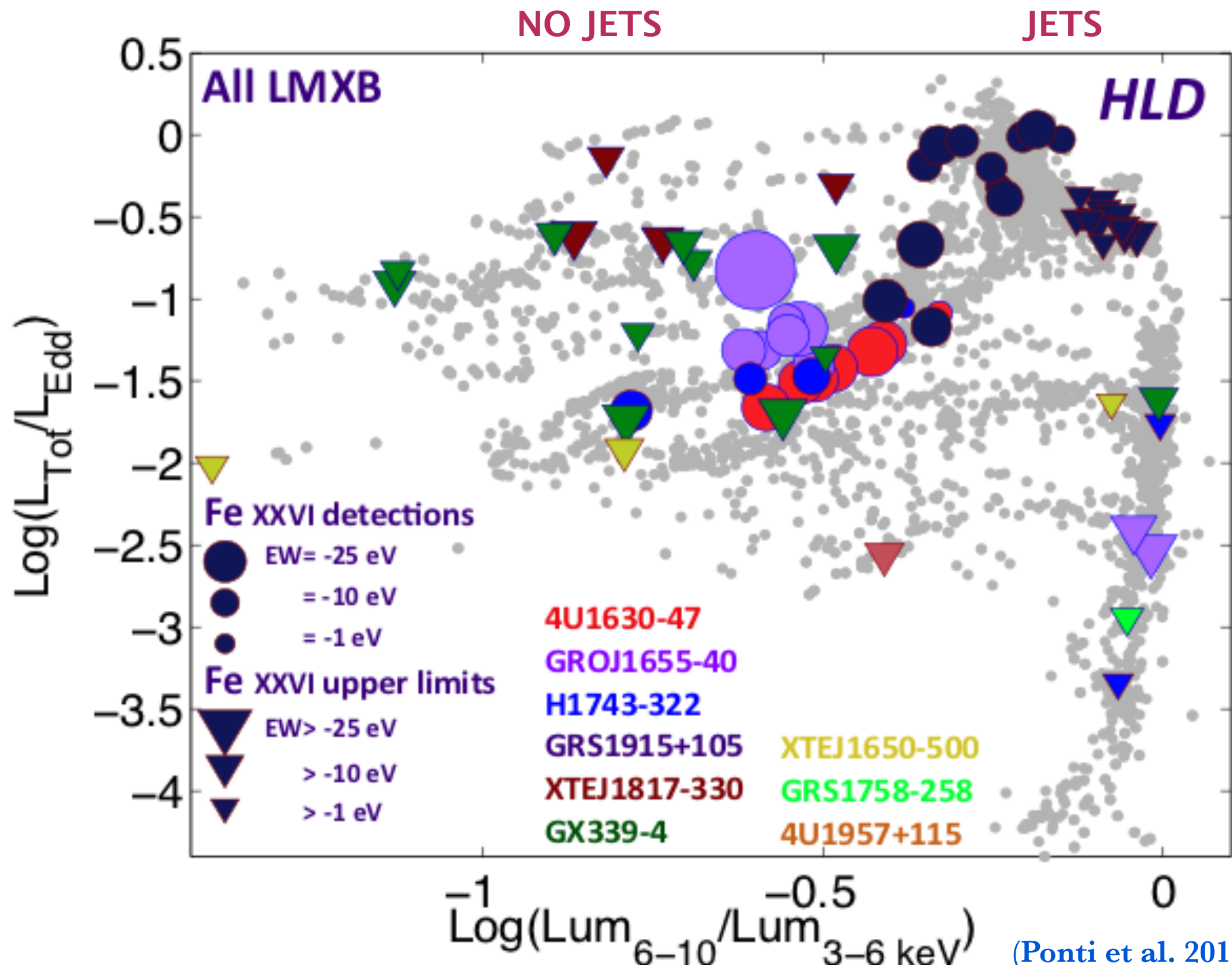
Soft state:  
= no jets? winds?





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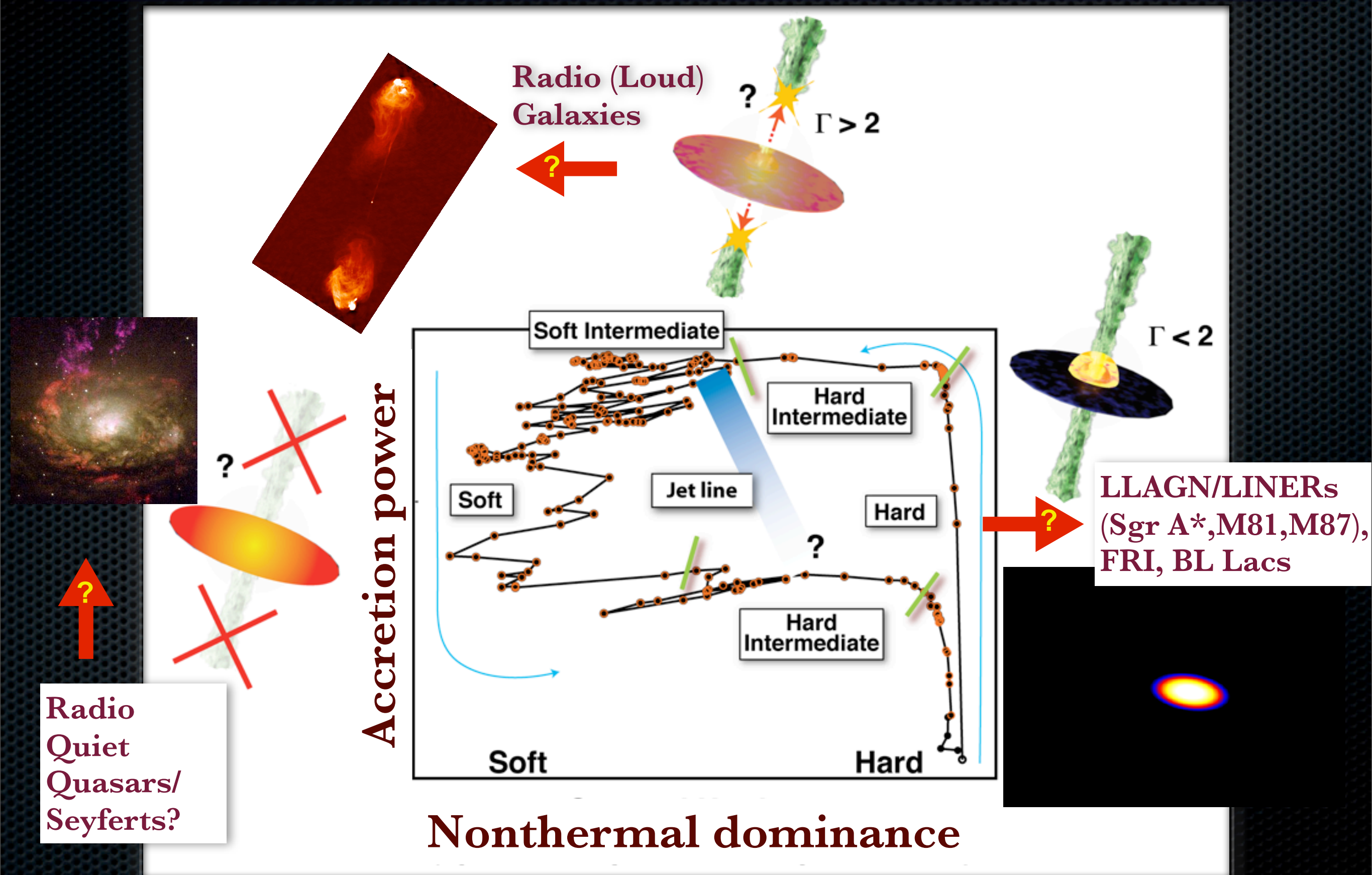
There are also winds



(Ponti et al. 2012)



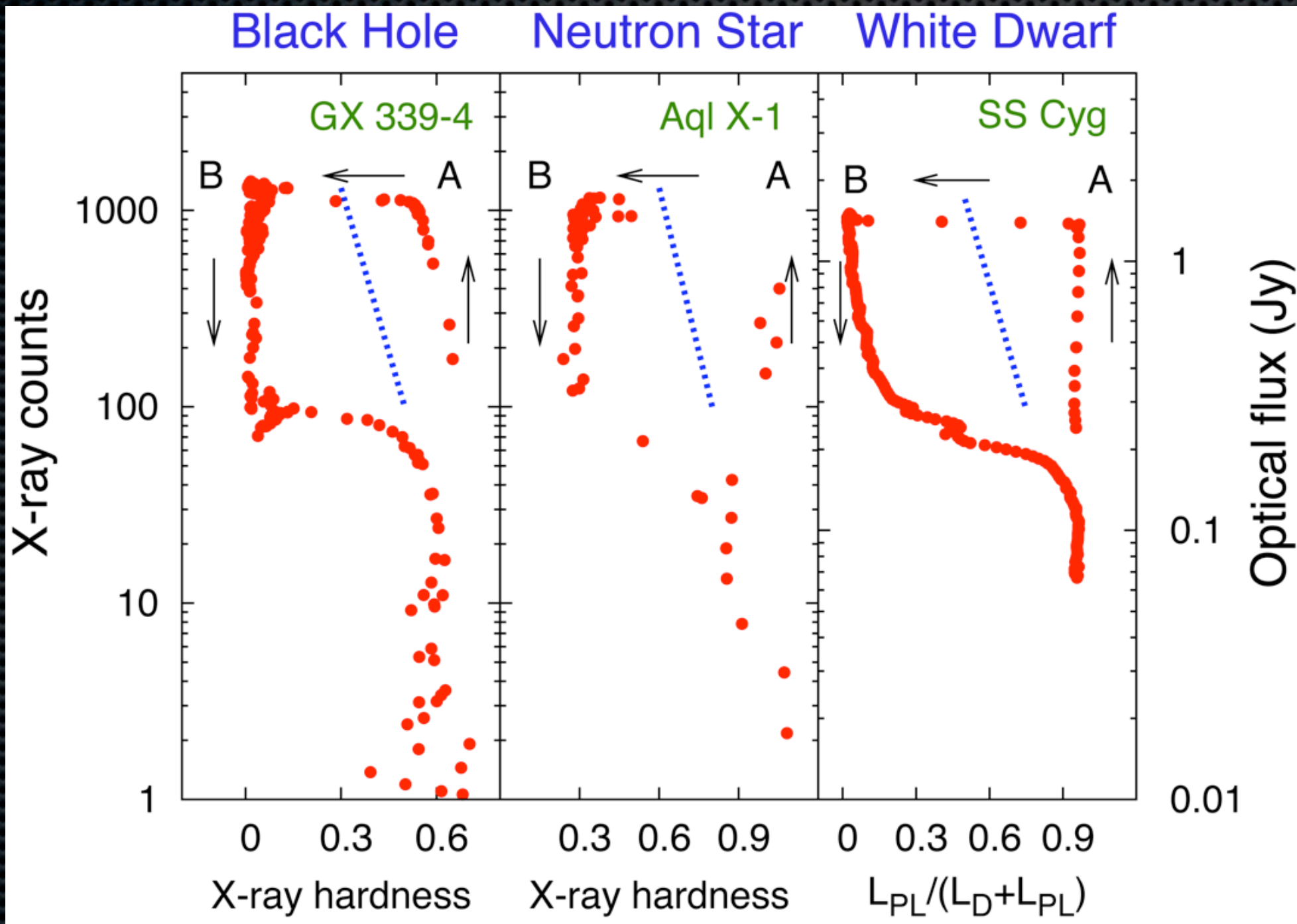
# Mapping XRB states $\Leftrightarrow$ AGN classes?





# Why might this be applicable to AGN?

Neutron stars and white dwarfs show a similar outburst evolution as XRB BHs!



(Körding et al. 2008, Science)



# Why might this be applicable to AGN?

**Hydra A**

0.7 Mpc

**Shock**

$R \sim 100-225 \text{ kpc}$   
 $D \sim 120-200 \text{ kpc}$   
 $t > 200 \text{ Myr}$

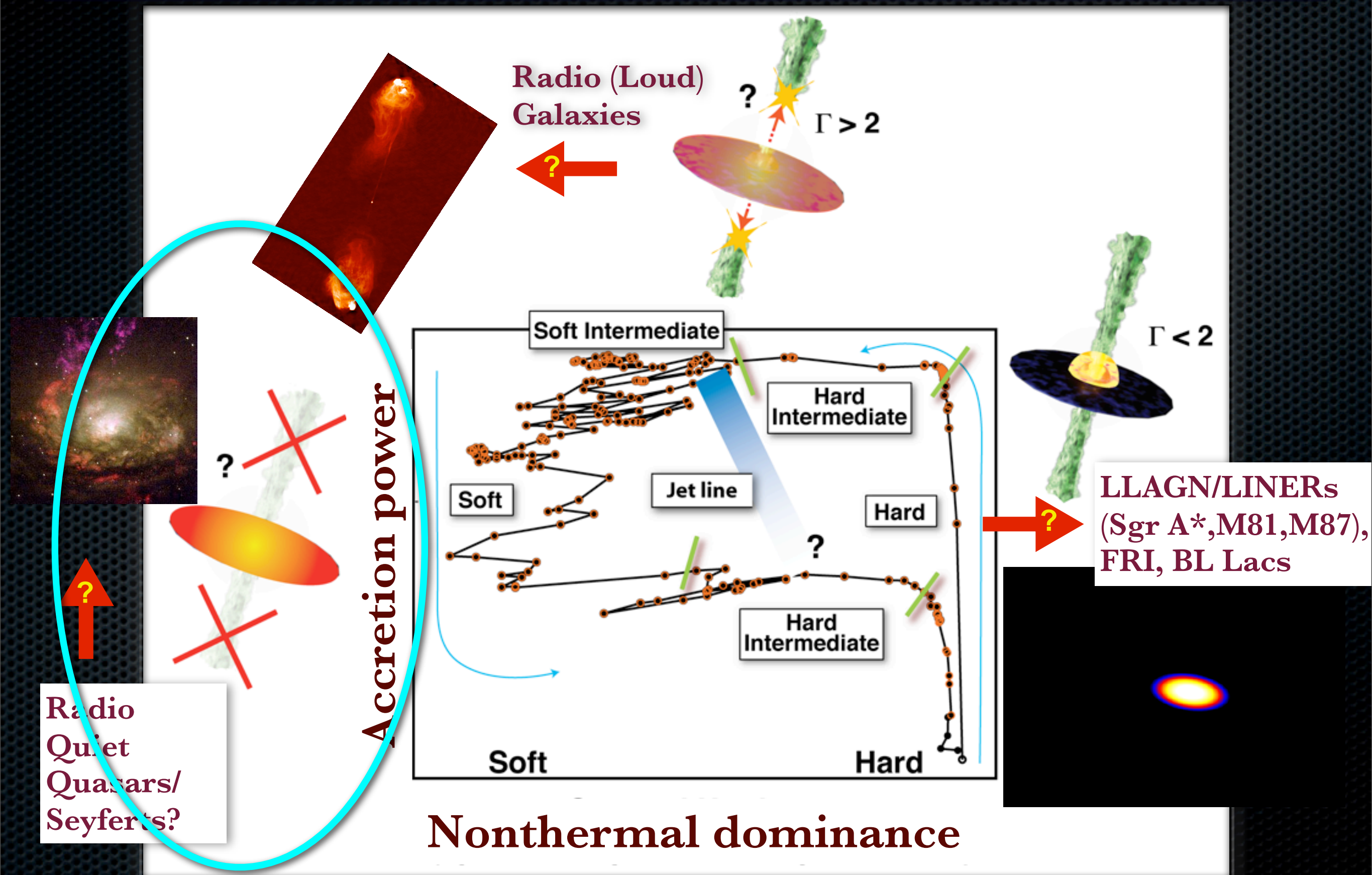
$R \sim 30 \text{ kpc}$   
 $D \sim 30-40 \text{ kpc}$   
 $t \sim 50 \text{ Myr}$

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 $t \sim 100 \text{ Myr}$

(Wise et al. 2007)

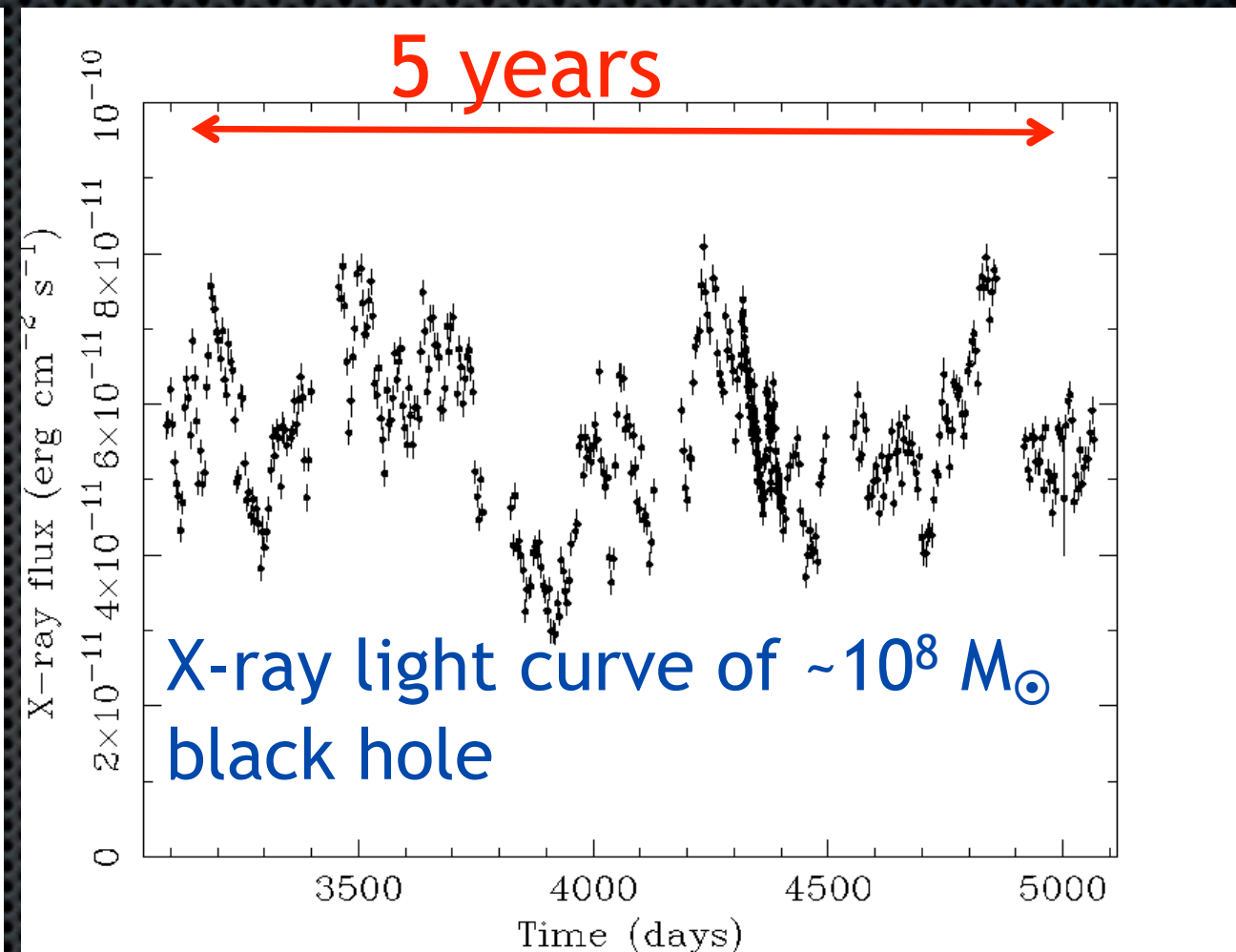
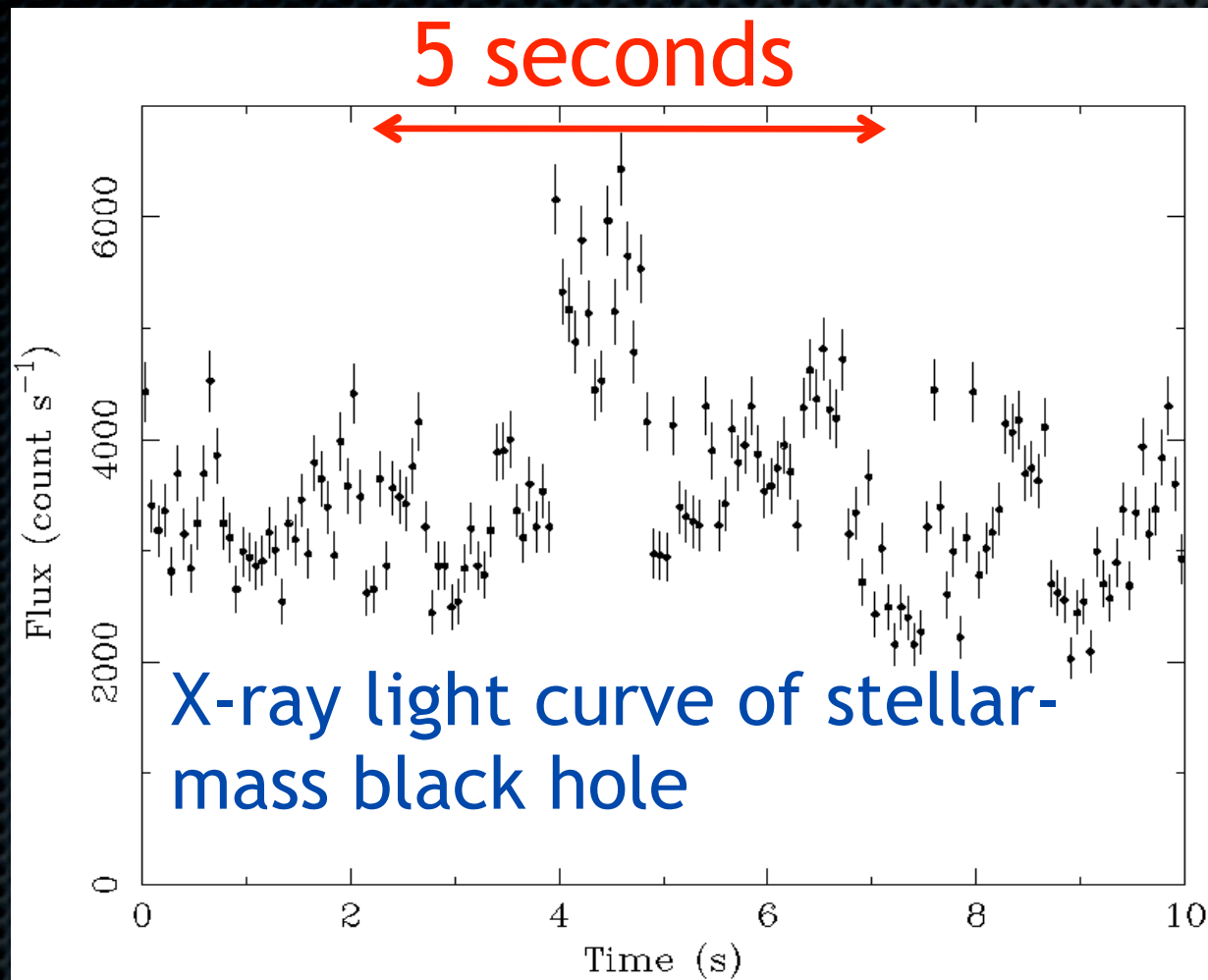


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# Mass/power scalings in disk-dominated states – X-ray variability



Time-scales scale linearly with BH mass  
(e.g. Uttley et al. 2002, McHardy et al. 2006, Körding et al. 2007)

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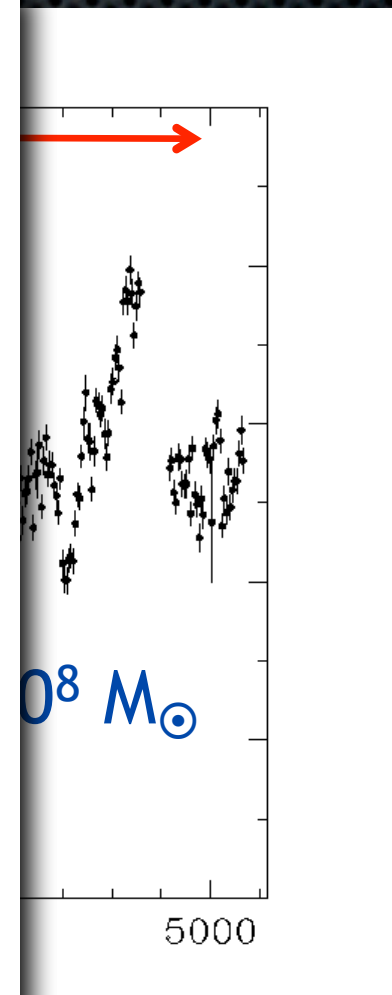
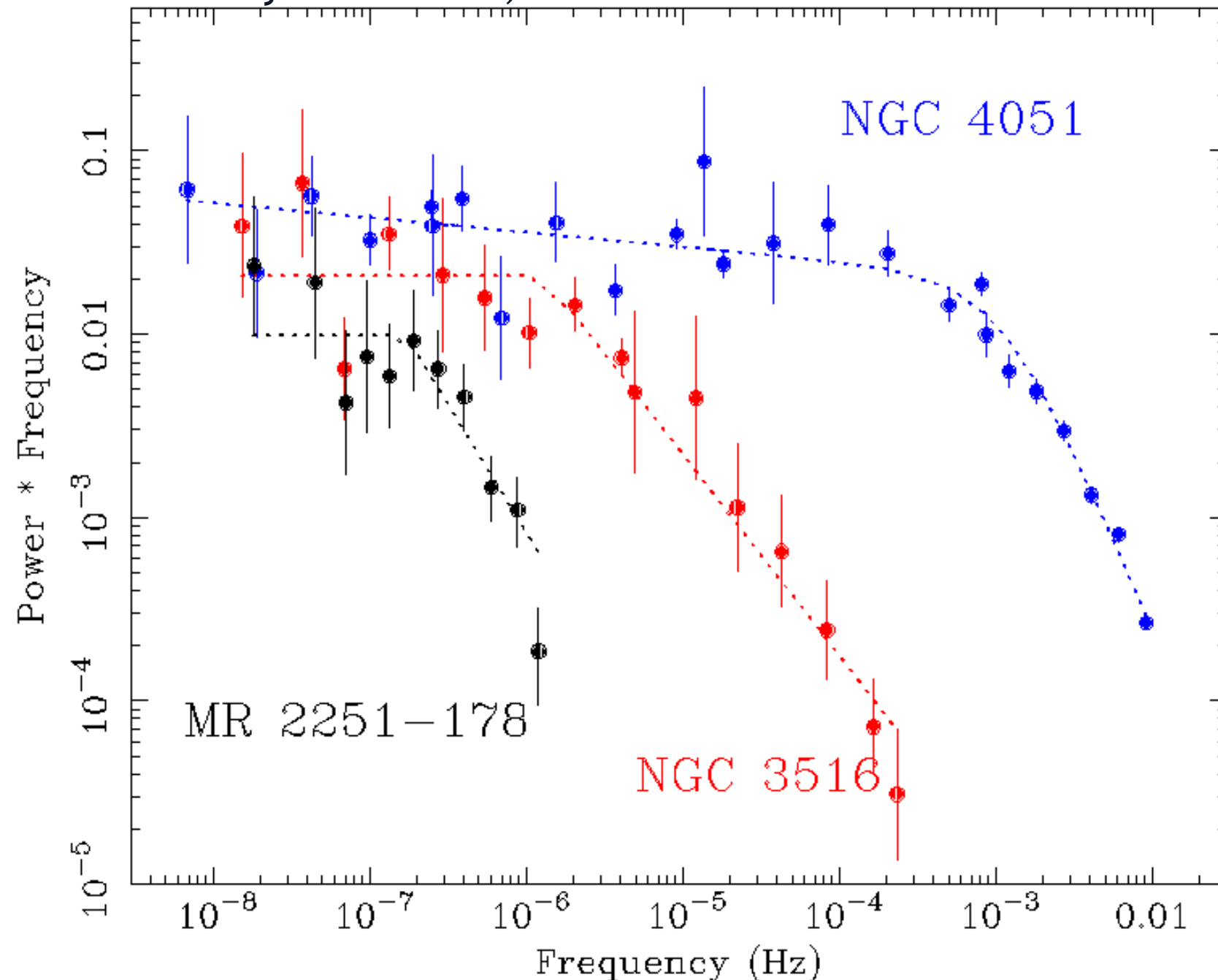
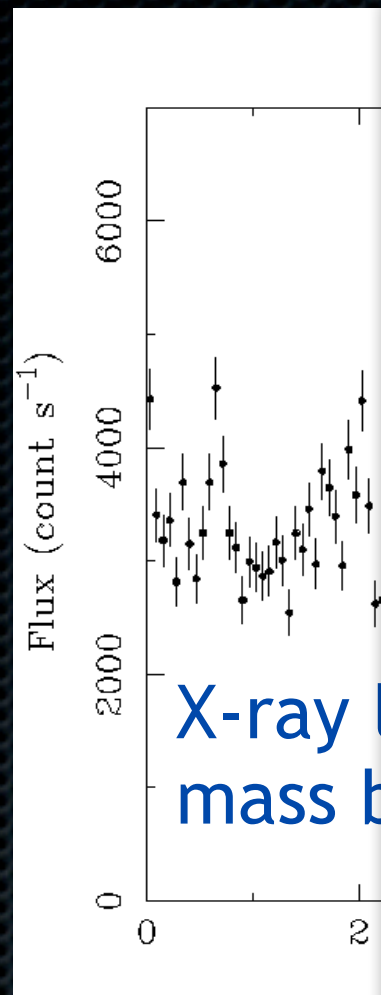
4×10<sup>7</sup> M<sub>⊙</sub>

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e.g. Uttley et al. 2002, Markowitz et al. 2003  
McHardy et al. 2004, 2006



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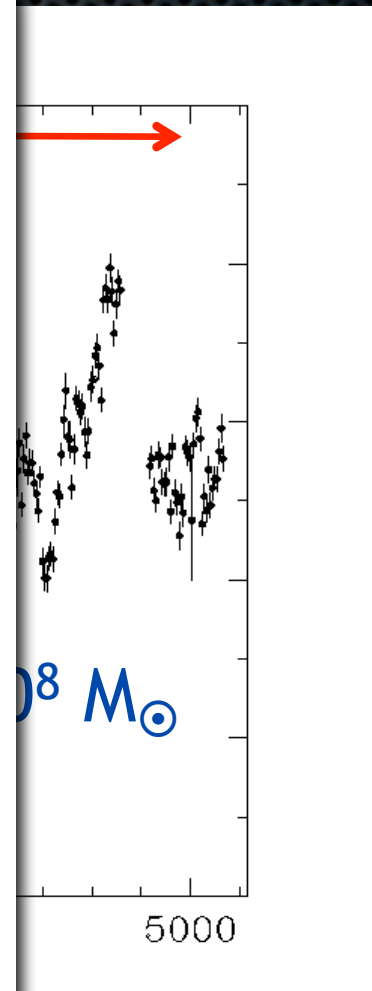
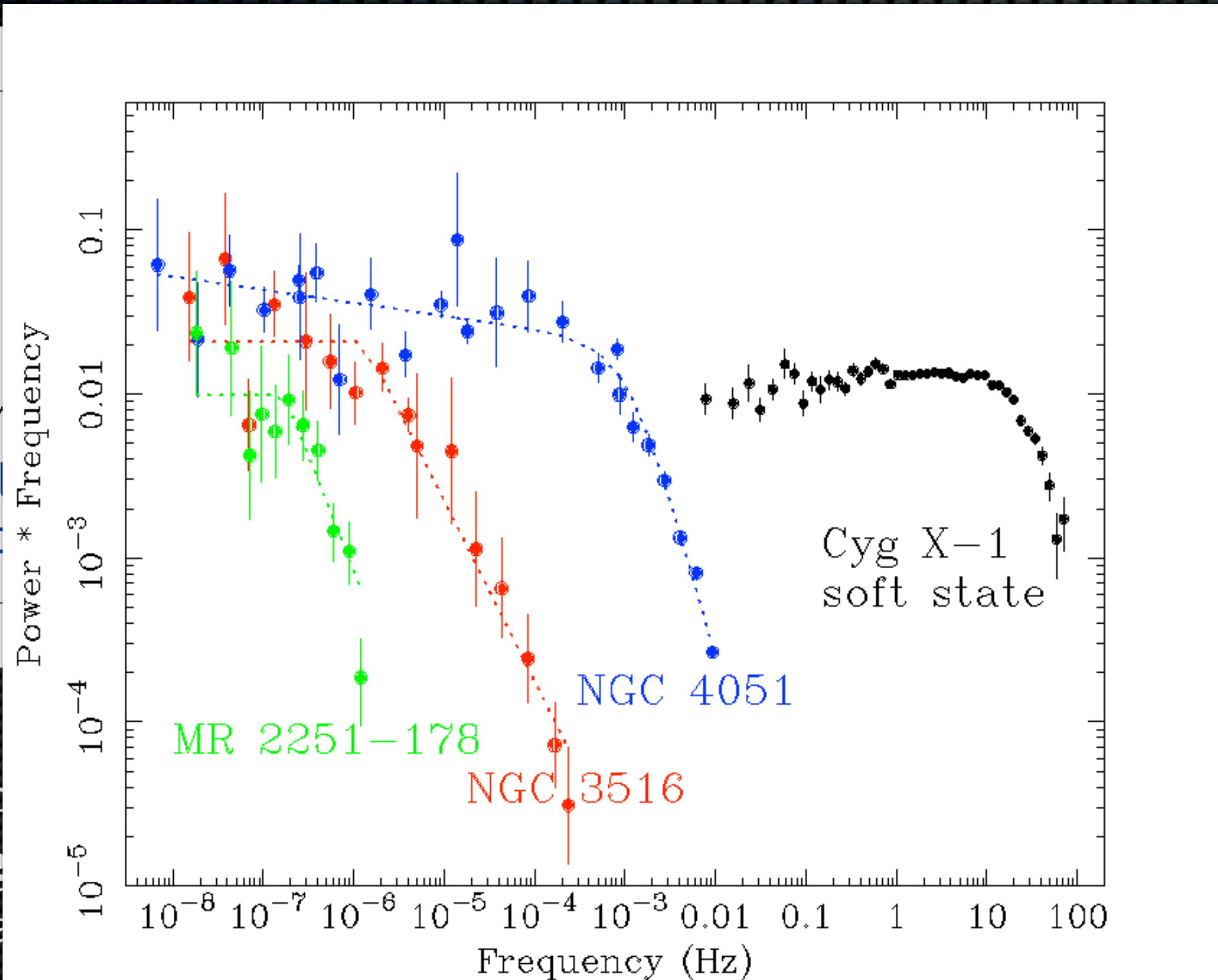
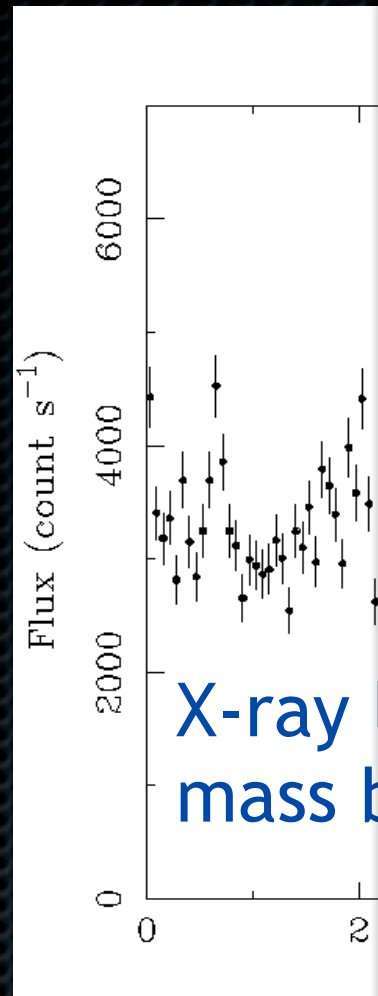
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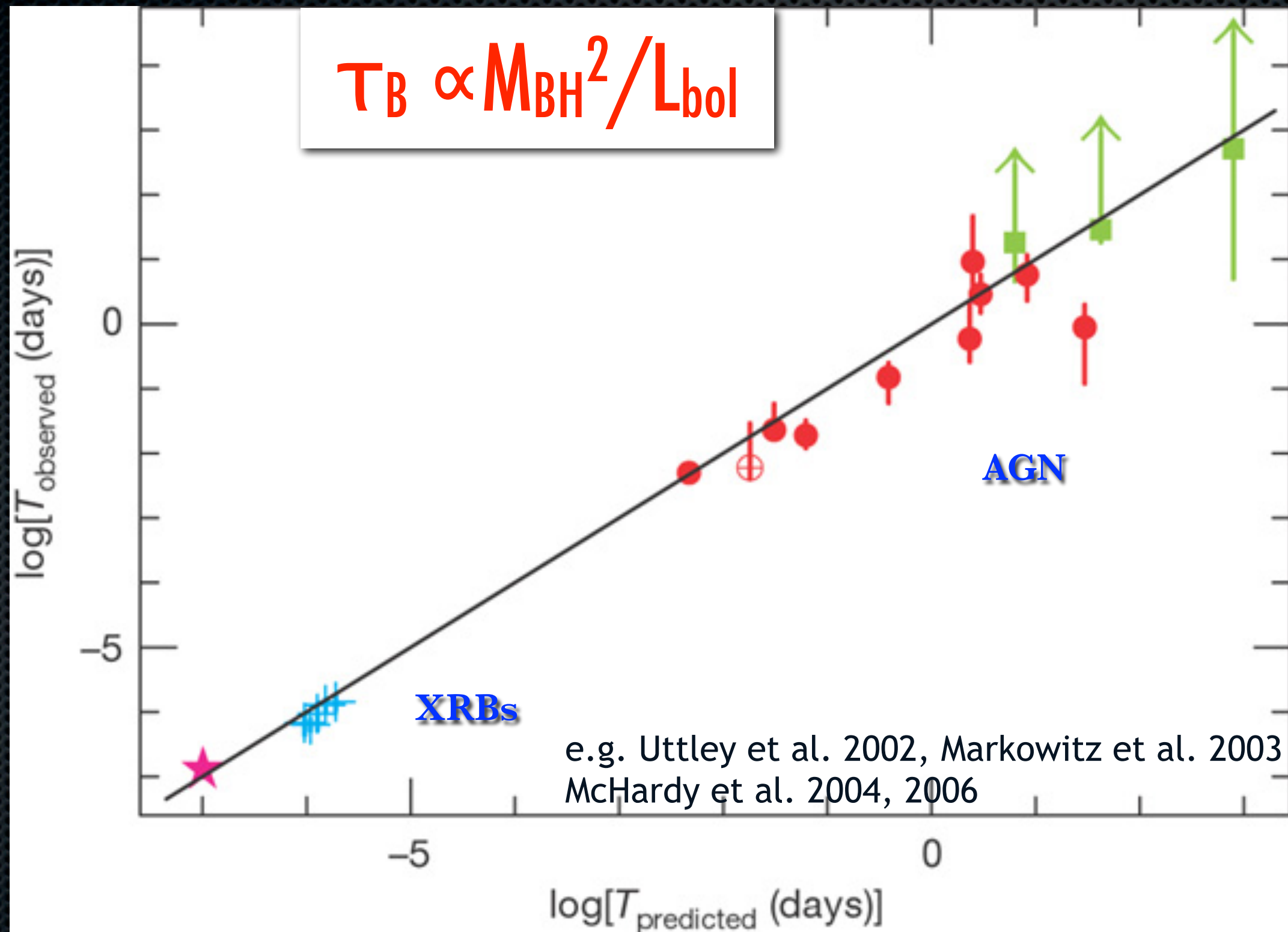
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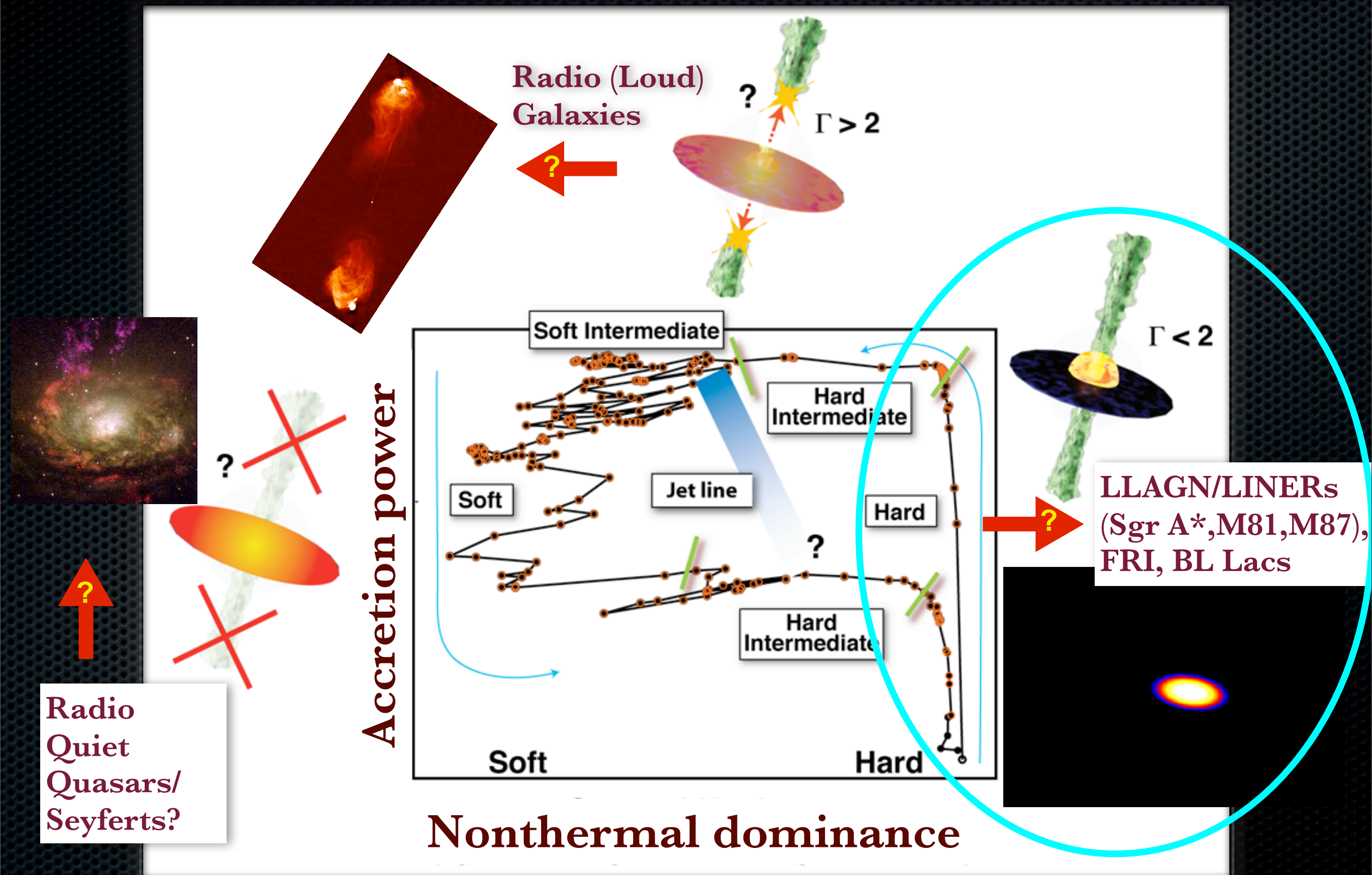


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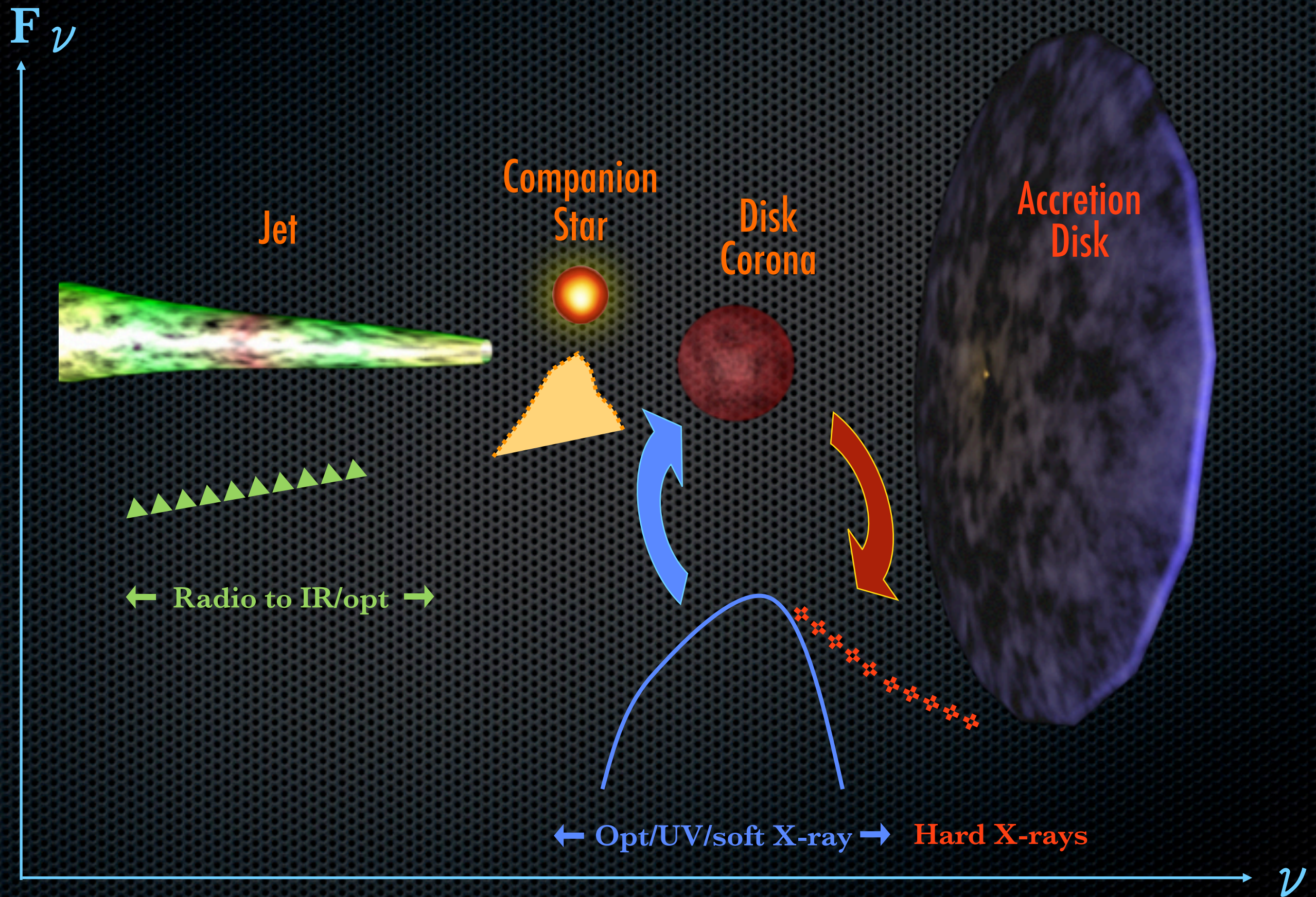


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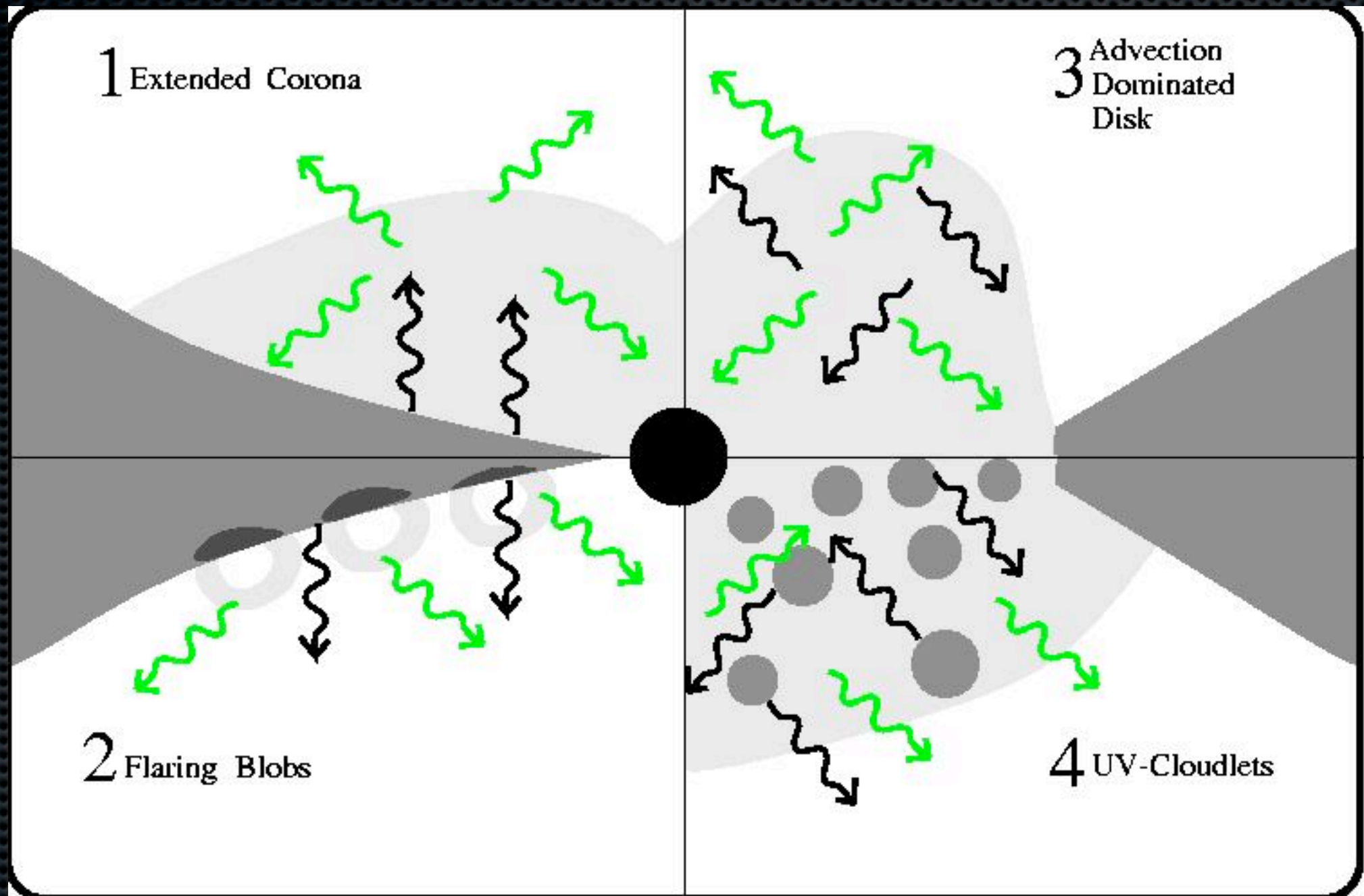
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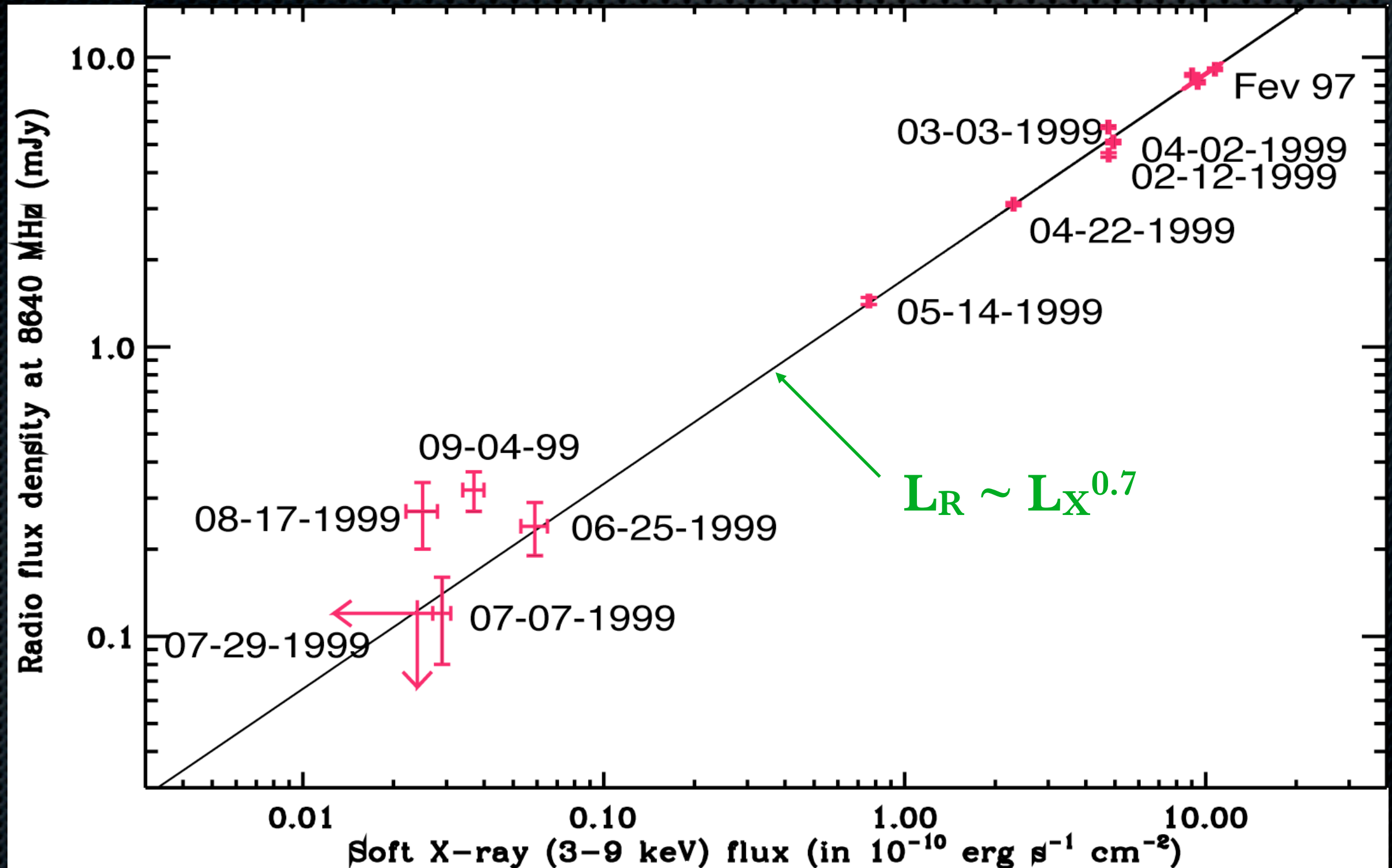
## Spectra and Interpretation



(e.g., Haardt & Maraschi 1991; Magdziarz & Zdziarski 1995; Haardt 1997; Esin et al. 1997)



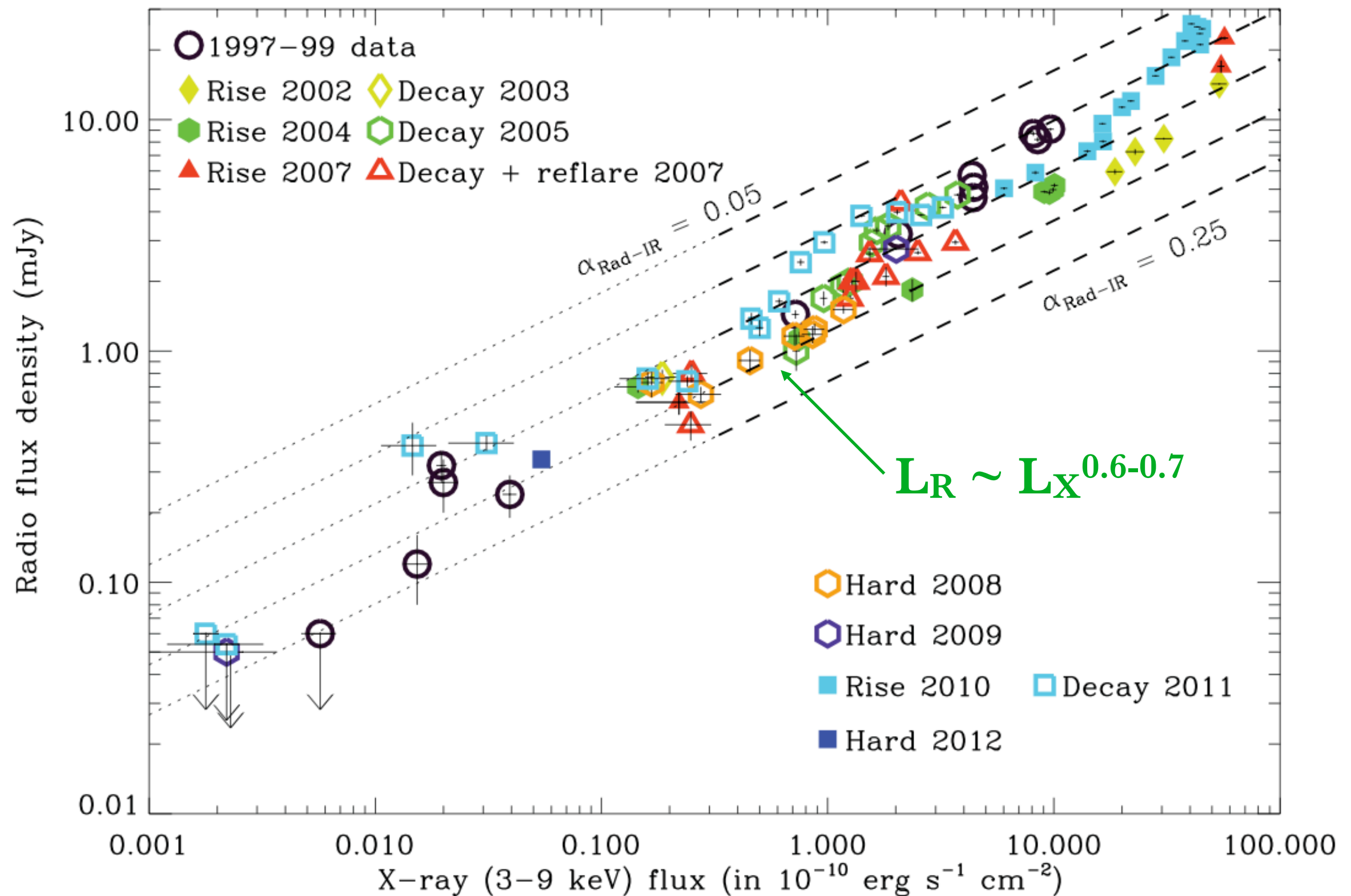
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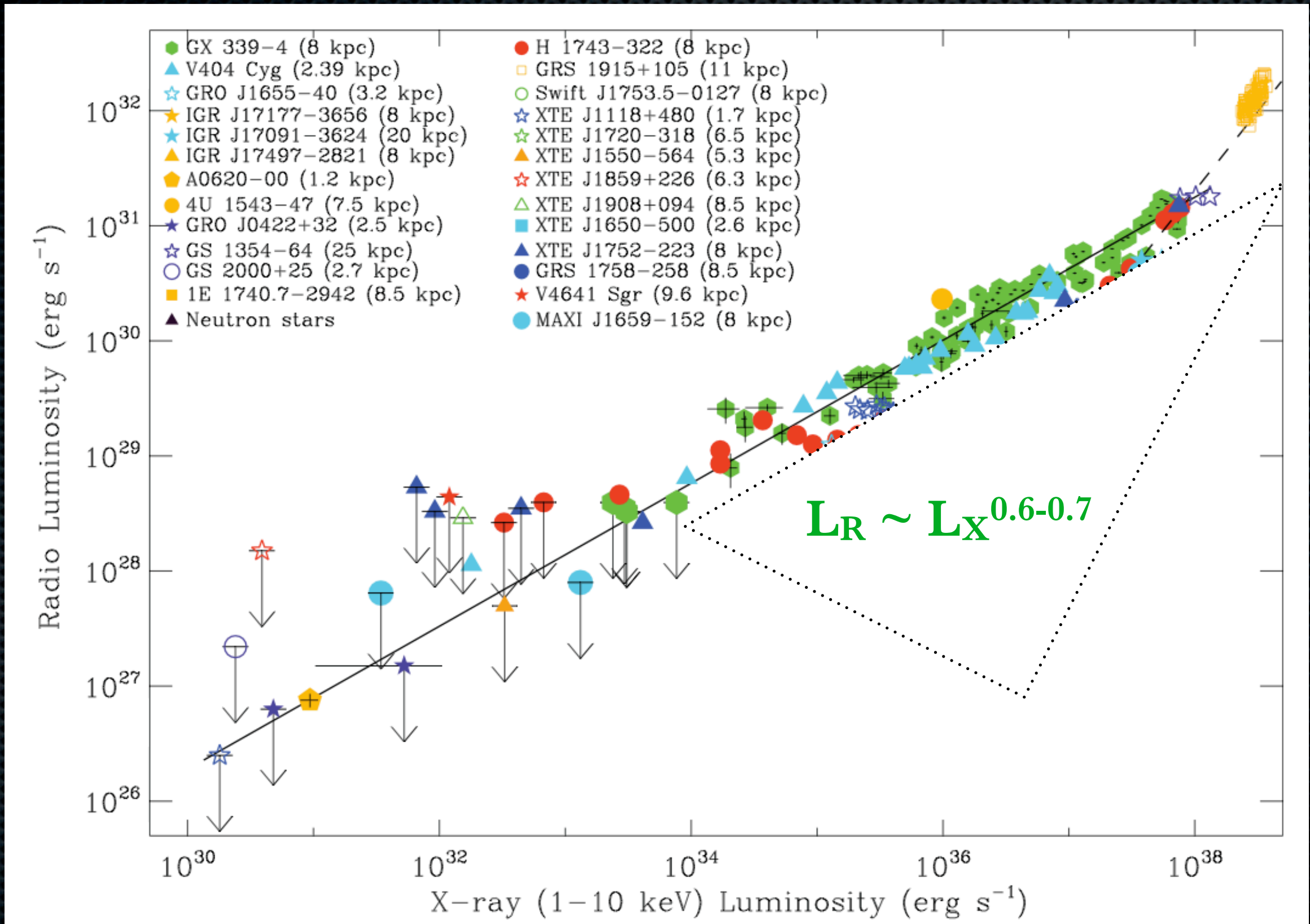
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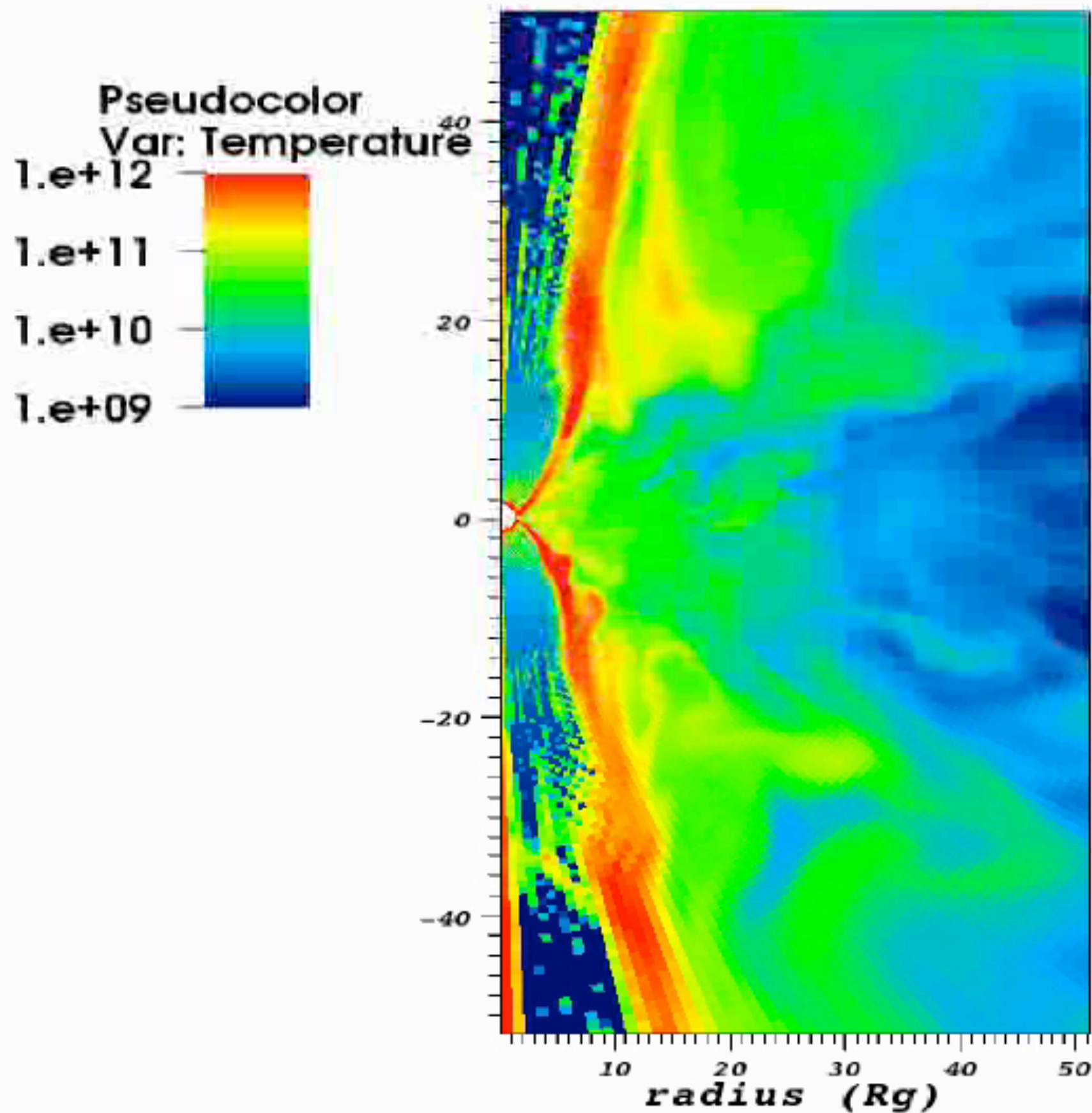
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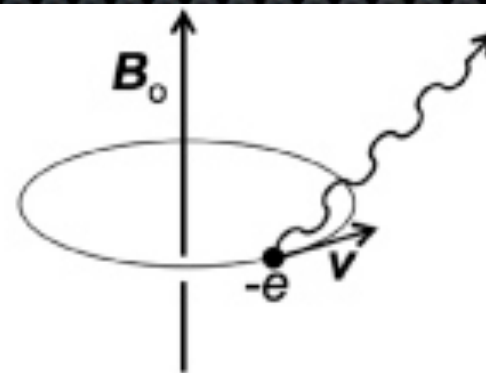




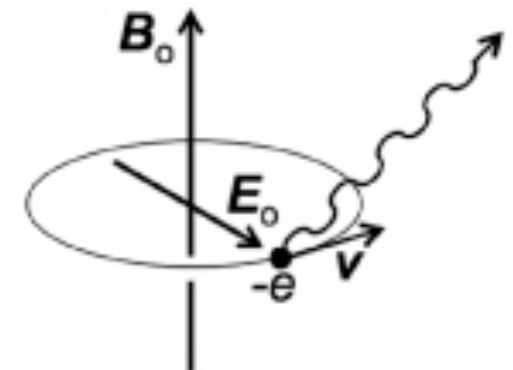
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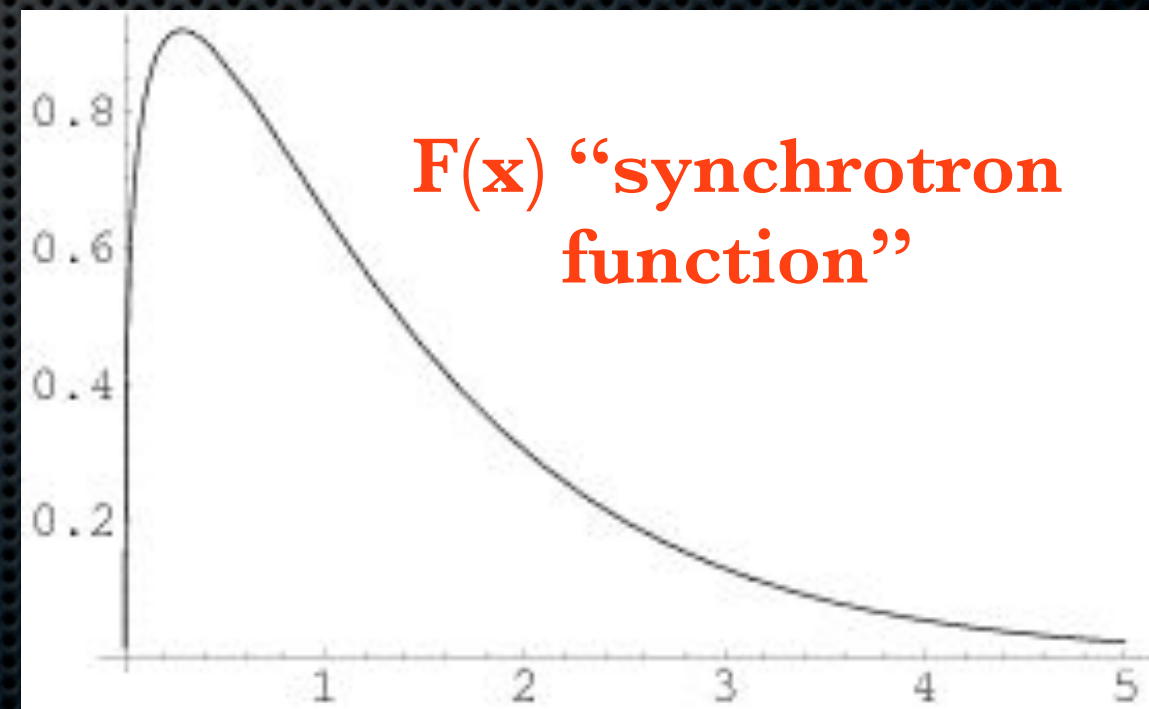
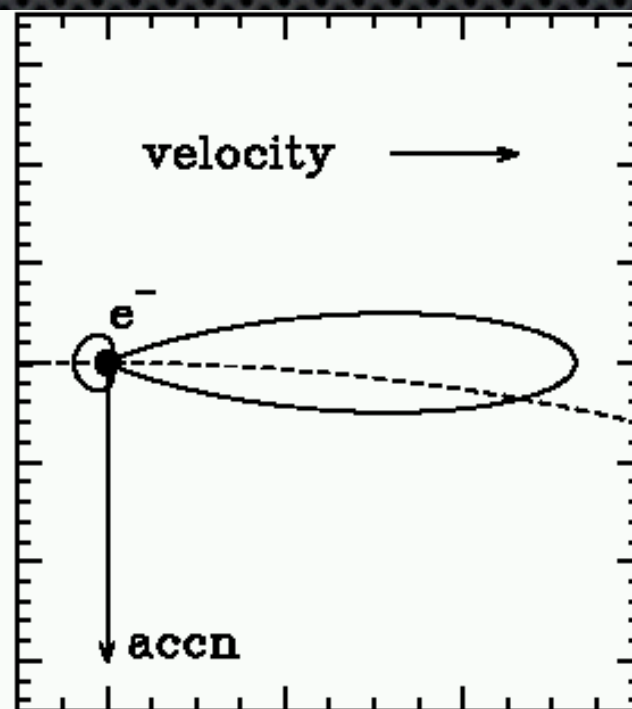
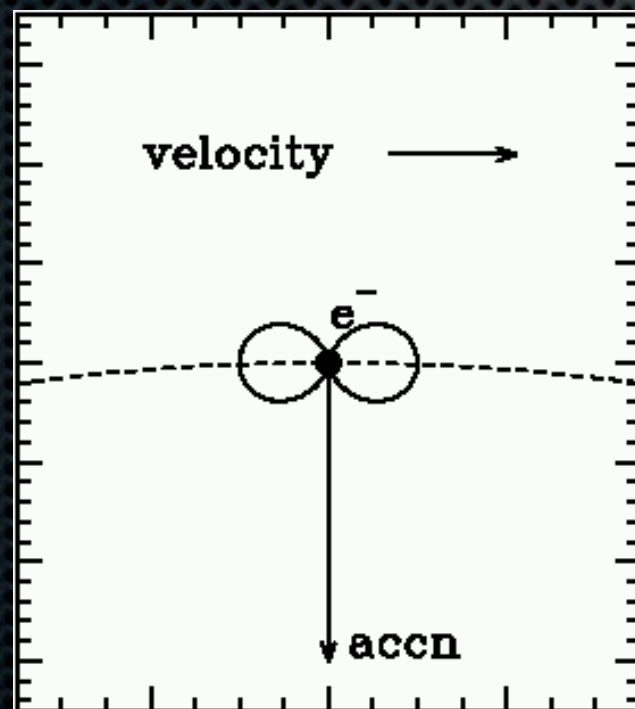
$$\mathbf{F} = m\mathbf{a} = e/c (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B})$$



Non-relativistic limit ( $v \ll c$ ):  
 $\omega = eB_0/m_0$



Relativistic case:  
 $\omega' = \gamma eB_0/m_0$  in the electron reference frame  
 $\omega = 2\gamma^2 eB_0/m_0$  in the laboratory frame



(See, e.g., Rybicki & Lightman 1979)

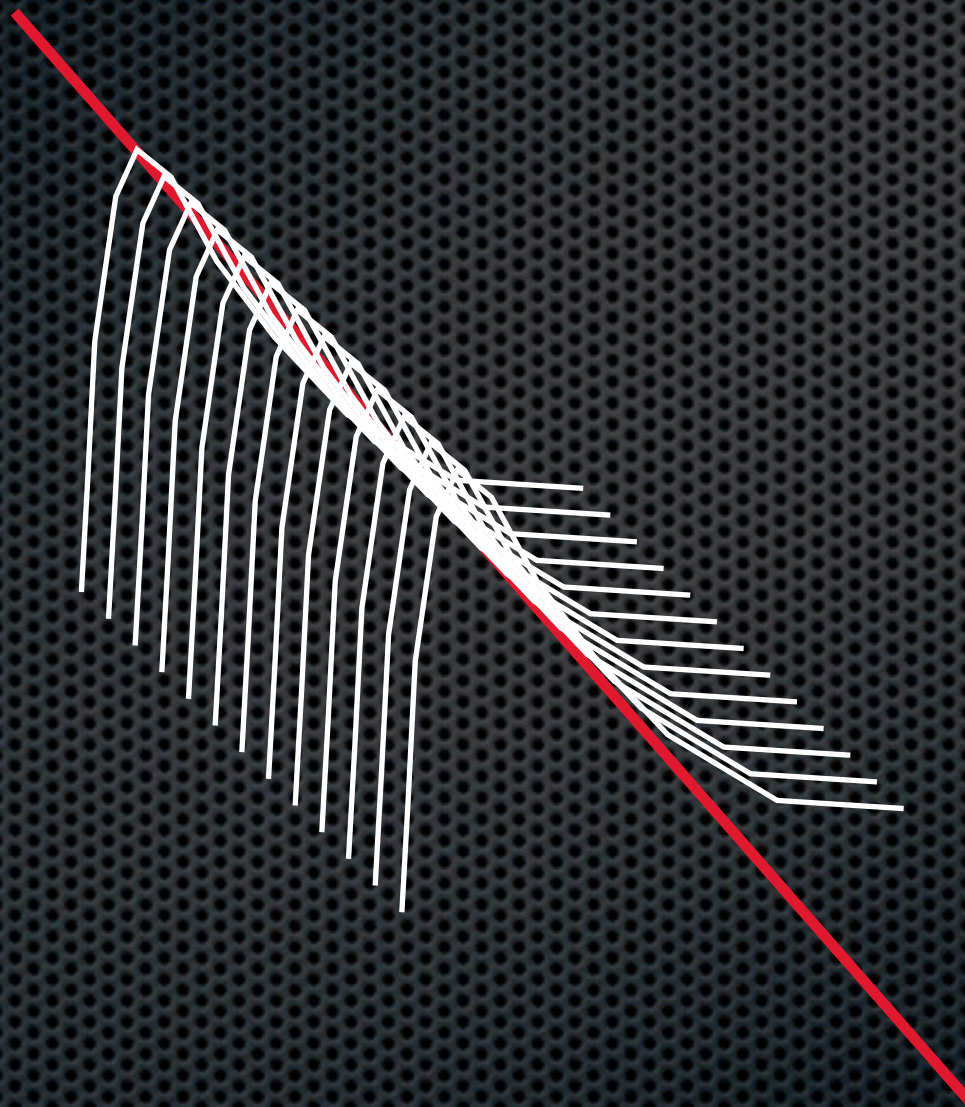


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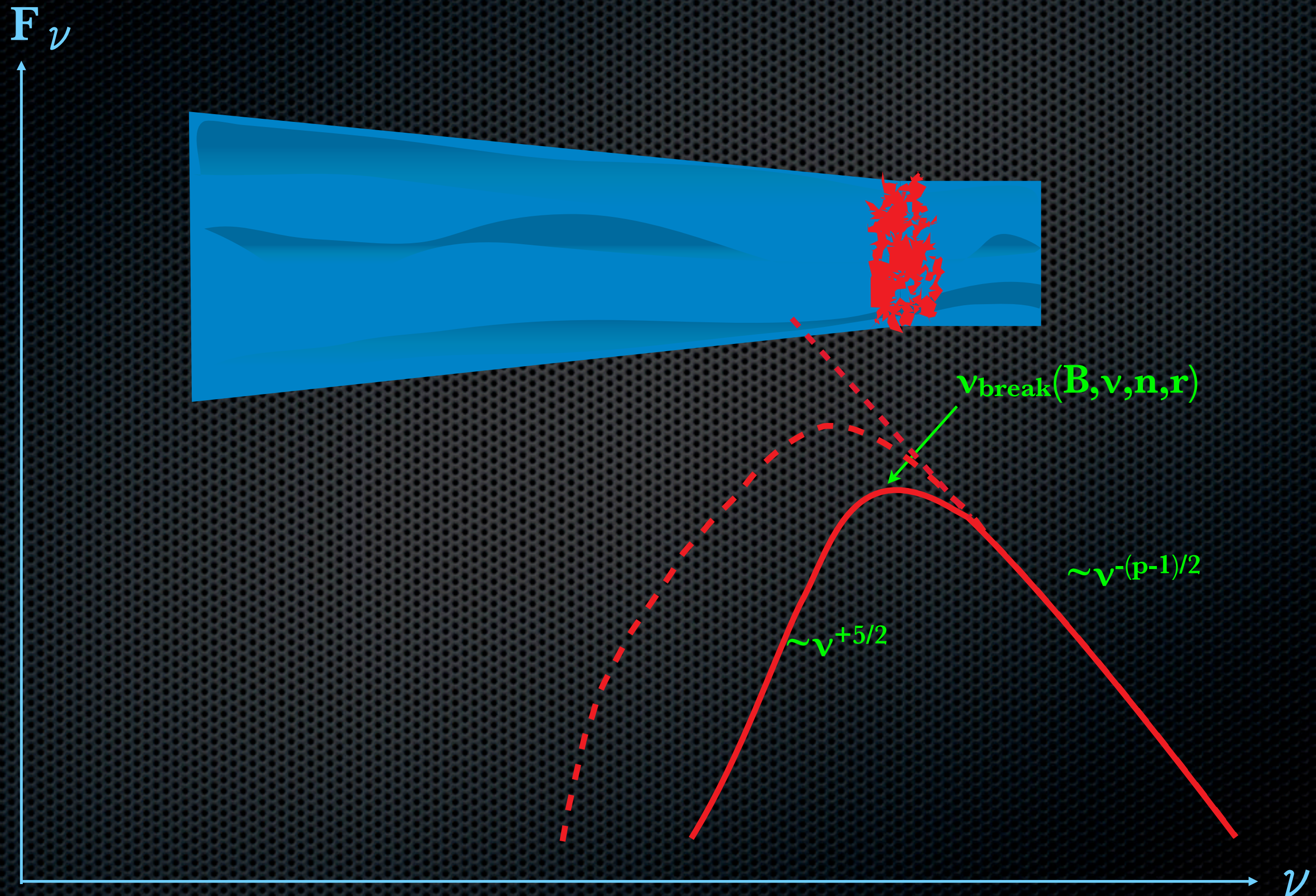
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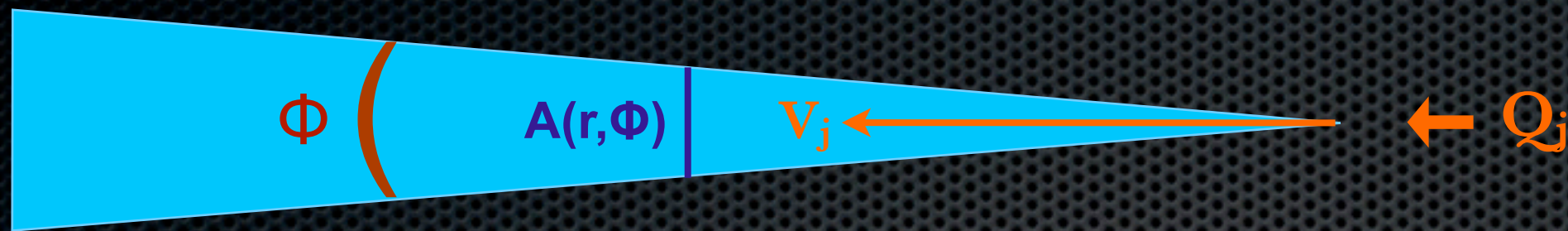
# Synchrotron emission in an optically thick (compact) jet



(Blandford & Königl 1979)



# So how does a flat/inverted synchrotron spectrum arise?



- ★ **Convert input power into energy density:**  $\frac{Q_j}{\pi r_0^2 \beta_j \gamma_j c} = U_B + U_p + U_e$
- ★ **Make a choice about energy partition (and fix it, e.g.):**  $U_p = U_B + U_e$ 
  - Conservation of particle and magnetic fluxes  $\Rightarrow \mathbf{B} \propto \mathbf{r}^{-1}, \mathbf{n} \propto \mathbf{r}^{-2}$
  - Assume particles have PL:  $N(E) \sim CE^{-p}$ , fixed energy partition  $\Rightarrow \mathbf{C} \propto \mathbf{n} \propto \mathbf{B}^2$
- ★ **Assume optically thick, for PL of electrons:**  $\alpha_\nu \propto CB^{(p+2)/2} \nu^{-(p+4)/2}$
- ★ **The part we see is at photosphere where  $\tau \sim \alpha_\nu r = 1 \Rightarrow \alpha_\nu \propto 1/r$**
- ★ **Assume “canonical” PL index  $p=2$ , substitute C, B in  $\alpha_\nu$  in terms of r:**

$$\frac{1}{r} \propto \left(\frac{1}{r}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{r}\right)^2 \nu^{-3} \Rightarrow r \propto \nu^{-1}$$

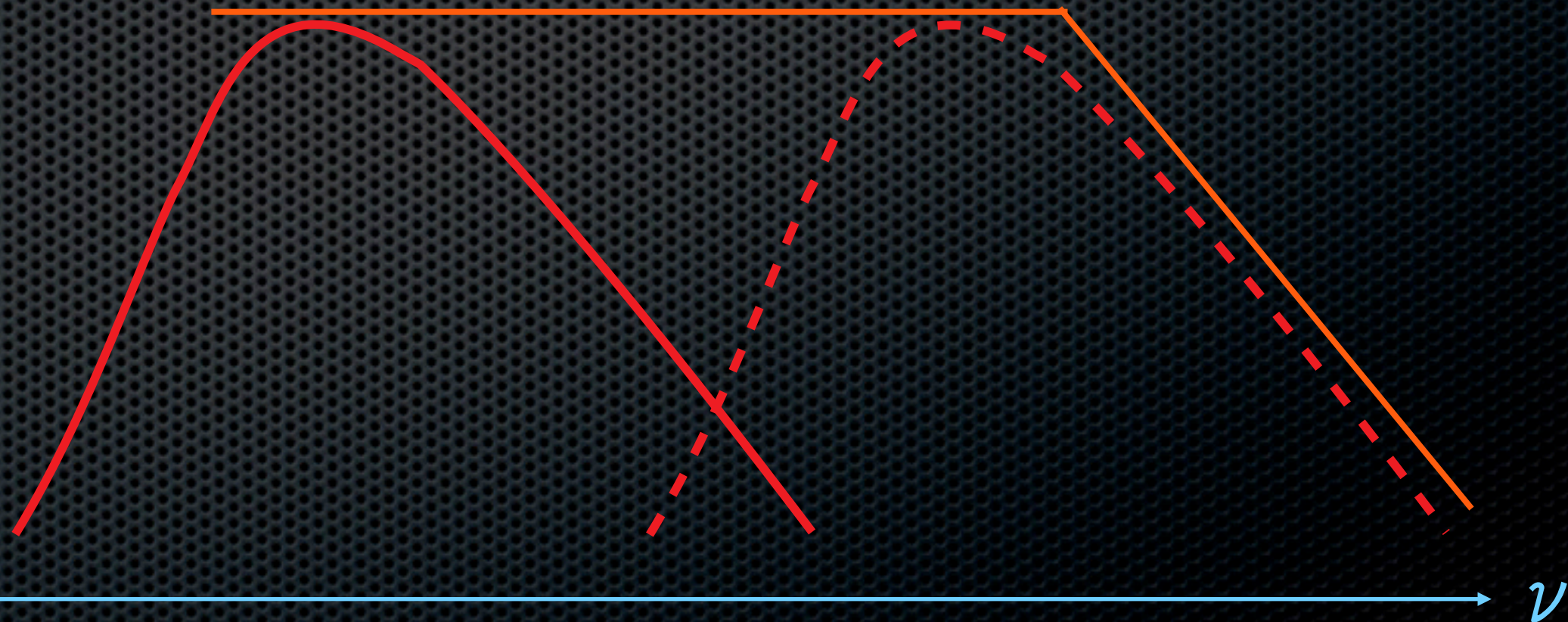
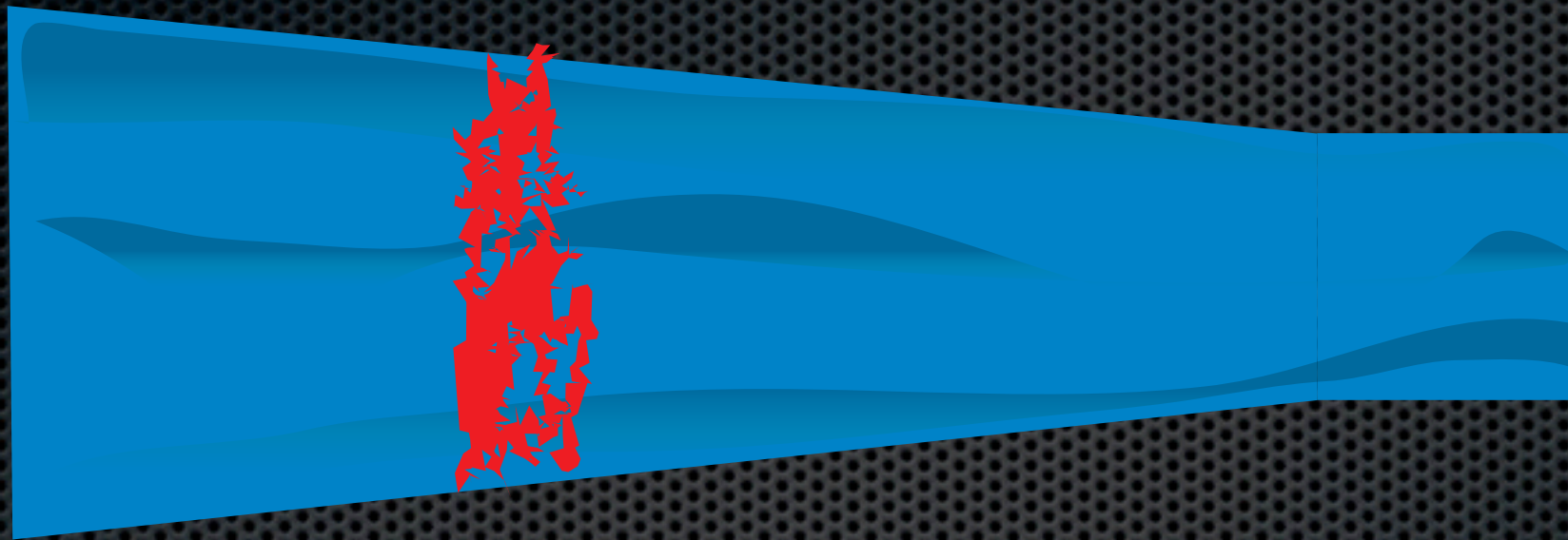
$$\text{👉 } F_\nu \propto CB \left(\frac{\nu}{B}\right)^{-(p-1)/2} r^3 \propto (r\nu)^{-0.5} \propto \text{constant!}$$

(Blandford & Königl 1979; Rybicki & Lightman 1979)



“Signature” flat(ish) emission of compact jets (“cores”) is a *conspiracy* of  $\tau > 1$  and conservation laws!

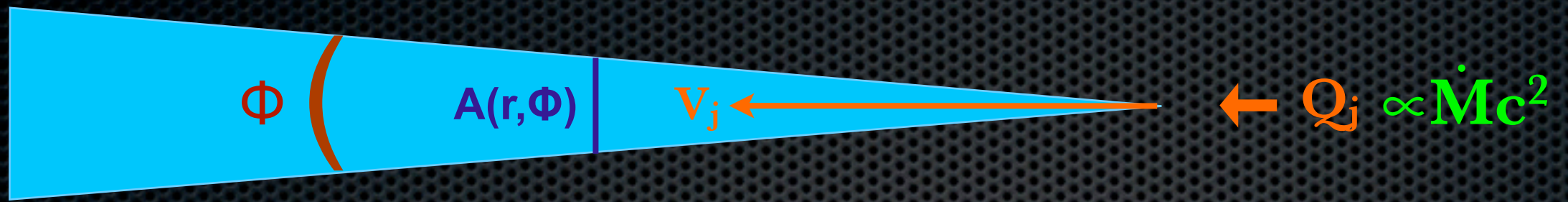
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# Deriving the “Blandford Königl” jet dependence on $\dot{M}$



$$\frac{Q_j}{\pi r_0^2 \beta_j \gamma_j c} = U_B + U_p + U_e \quad \Rightarrow \quad C \sim n \sim B^2 \propto \dot{M}/M^2$$

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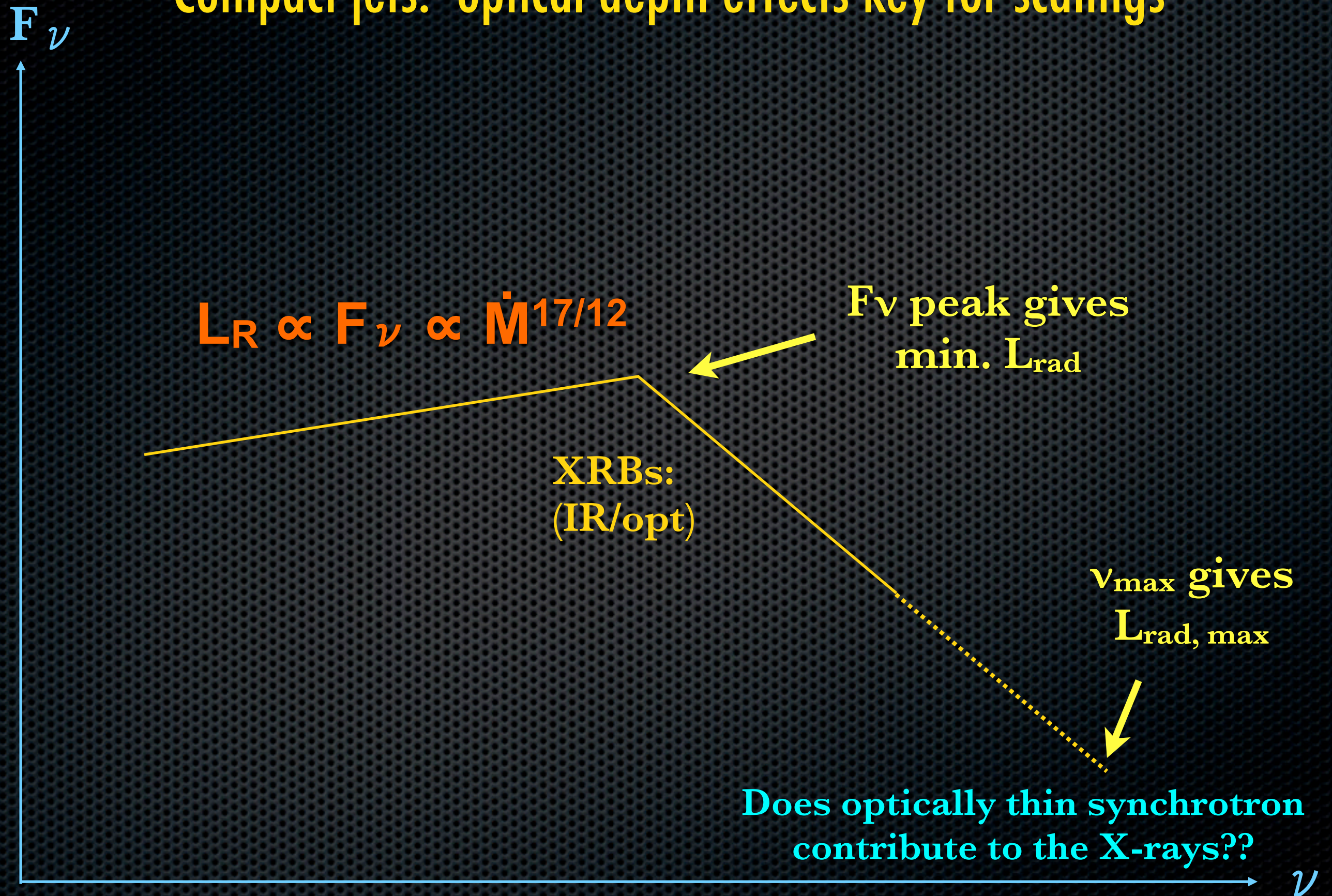
If perfectly “flat”

$$\frac{\partial \ln F_\nu}{\partial \ln \dot{m}} \equiv \xi_{\dot{m}} = \frac{2p + (p+6)\alpha_{RIR} + 13}{2(p+4)} \sim \frac{17}{12} + \frac{2}{3}\alpha_{RIR}$$

(Blandford & Königl 1979; Rybicki & Lightman 1979; Falcke & Biermann 1995; SM et al. 2003; Heinz & Sunyaev 2003)



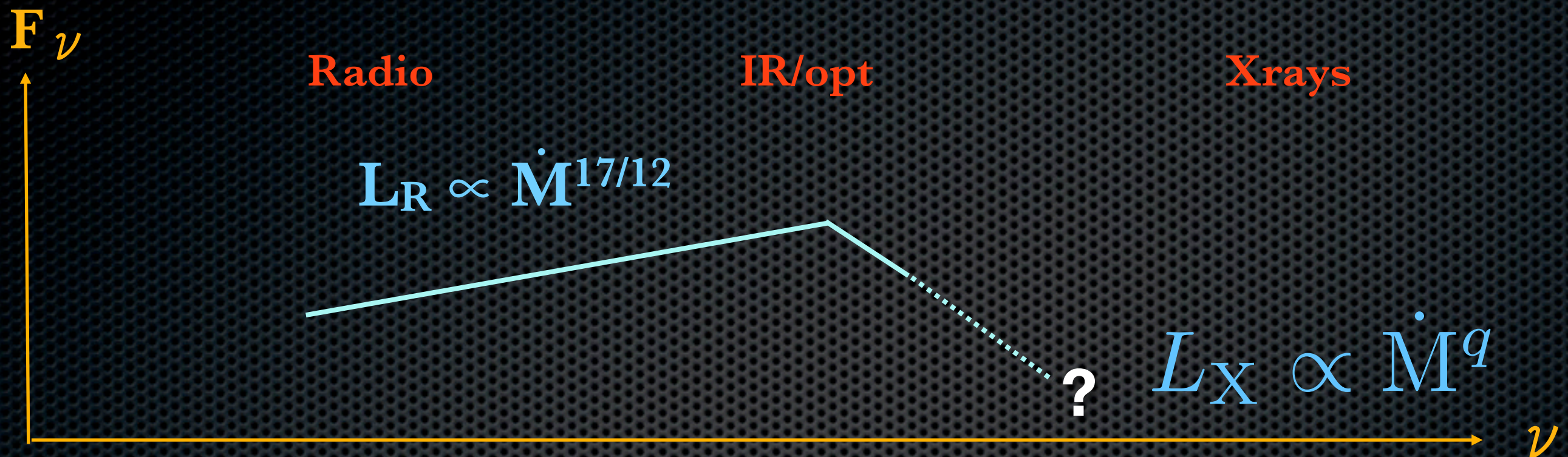
# Compact jets: optical depth effects key for scalings



(Blandford & Königl 1979, Falcke & Biermann 1995, SM et al. 2003, Heinz & Sunyaev 2003)



# Radio/X-ray correlations constrain accretion efficiency!!



For objects with the *same* mass, i.e.  $\sim$ XRBs:

$$L_R \propto L_X^m \quad m = \frac{\frac{17}{12} - \frac{2}{3}\alpha_R}{q} \approx \frac{1.4}{q}$$

Synchrotron:  $q=2$ , radiatively inefficient disks:  $q=2-2.3$   
(RIAFS= ADAFs, CDAFs, ADIOS: “puffy” gas pressure dominated accretion flows)

**Radiatively efficient disk/corona:  $q=1 \Rightarrow$  problematic**  
**Cooling-dominated synchrotron,  $q=1 \Rightarrow$  problematic**

(Falcke & Biermann 1995, SM et al. 2003, Heinz & Sunyaev 2003)

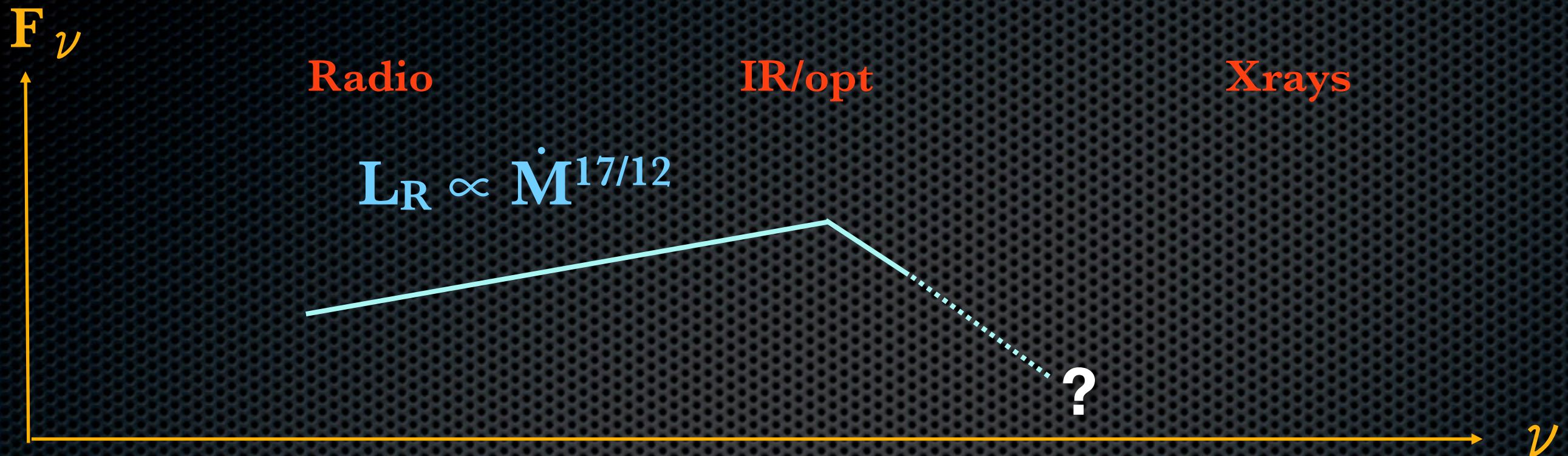


**Radio/Xray correlations turn out to be extremely revealing about the physical processes very close to the black hole...more so than the X-rays themselves, which was surprising!**

**How might the mass of the BH come into play here?**



# What do we expect the effect of mass to be??

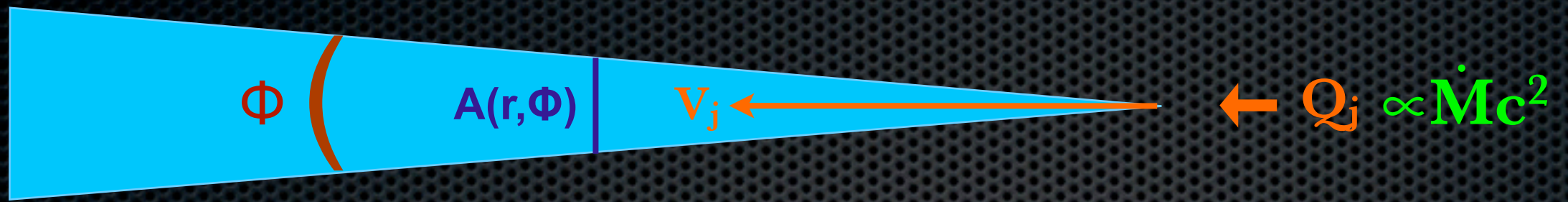


- ★ Think about switching to  $\dot{m} = \dot{M}/\dot{M}_{\text{Edd}} \propto \dot{M}/M$ !
- ★ I.e., if we now think about an AGN with a mass 7 orders of magnitude higher, but at the same  $\dot{m}_{\text{Edd}}$ , and remembering that synchrotron “peak” frequency  $\nu_c \propto B \dots$

Will the flux/break frequency be higher or lower?



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$$\sim \frac{17}{12} - \frac{\alpha_{RIR}}{3}$$

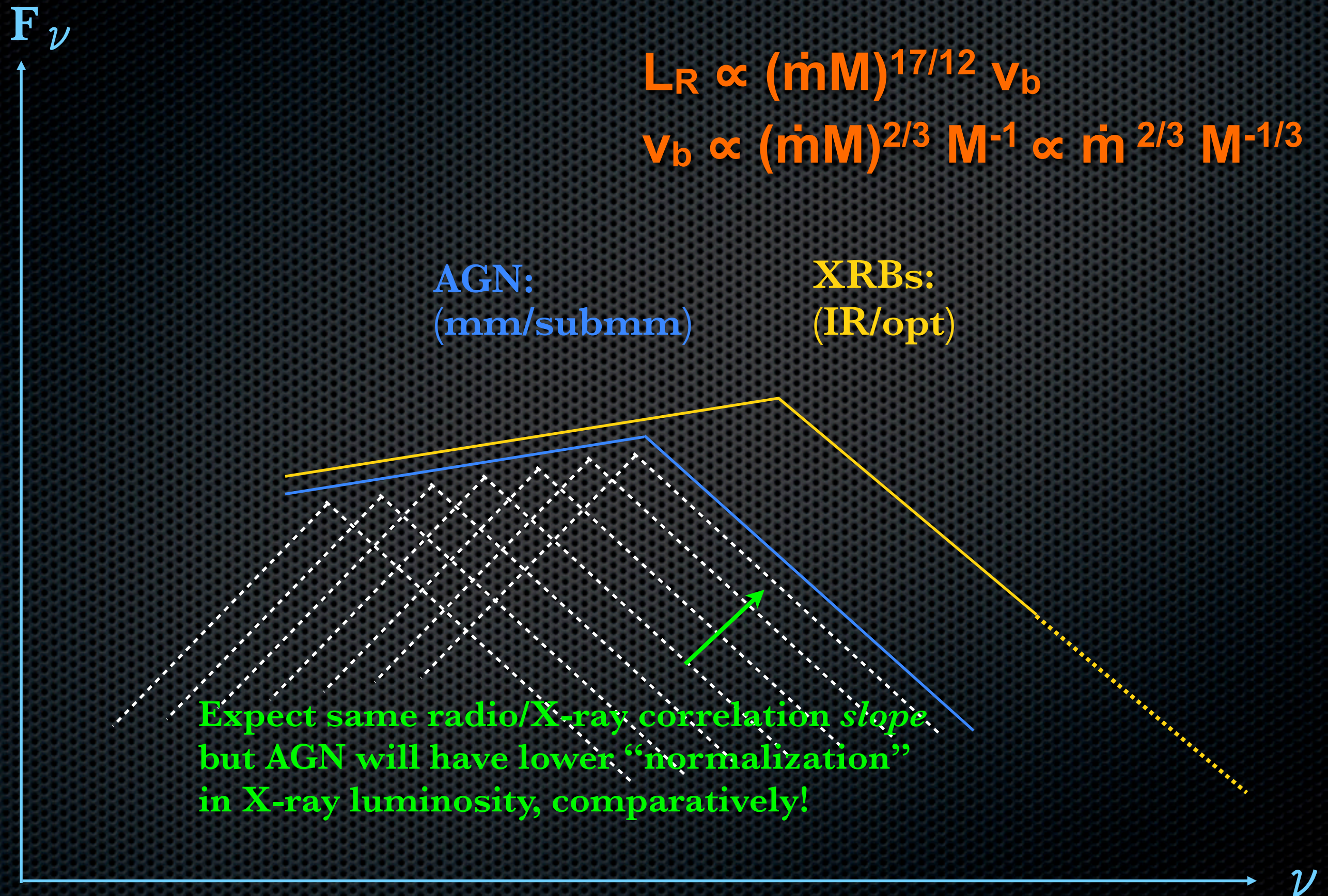
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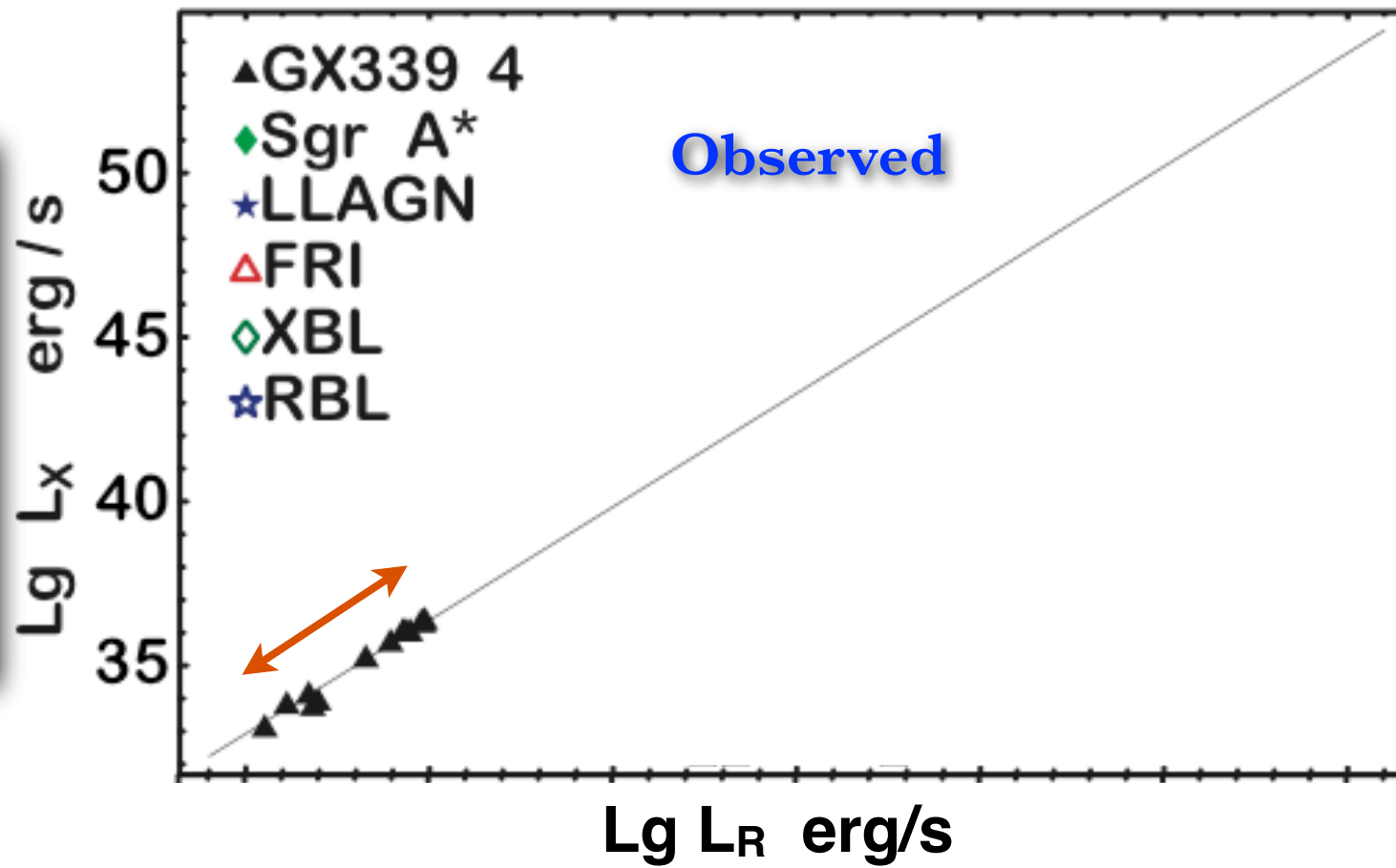
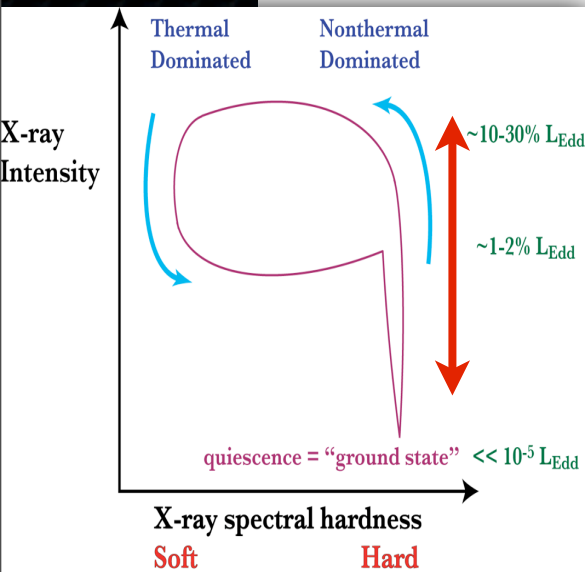
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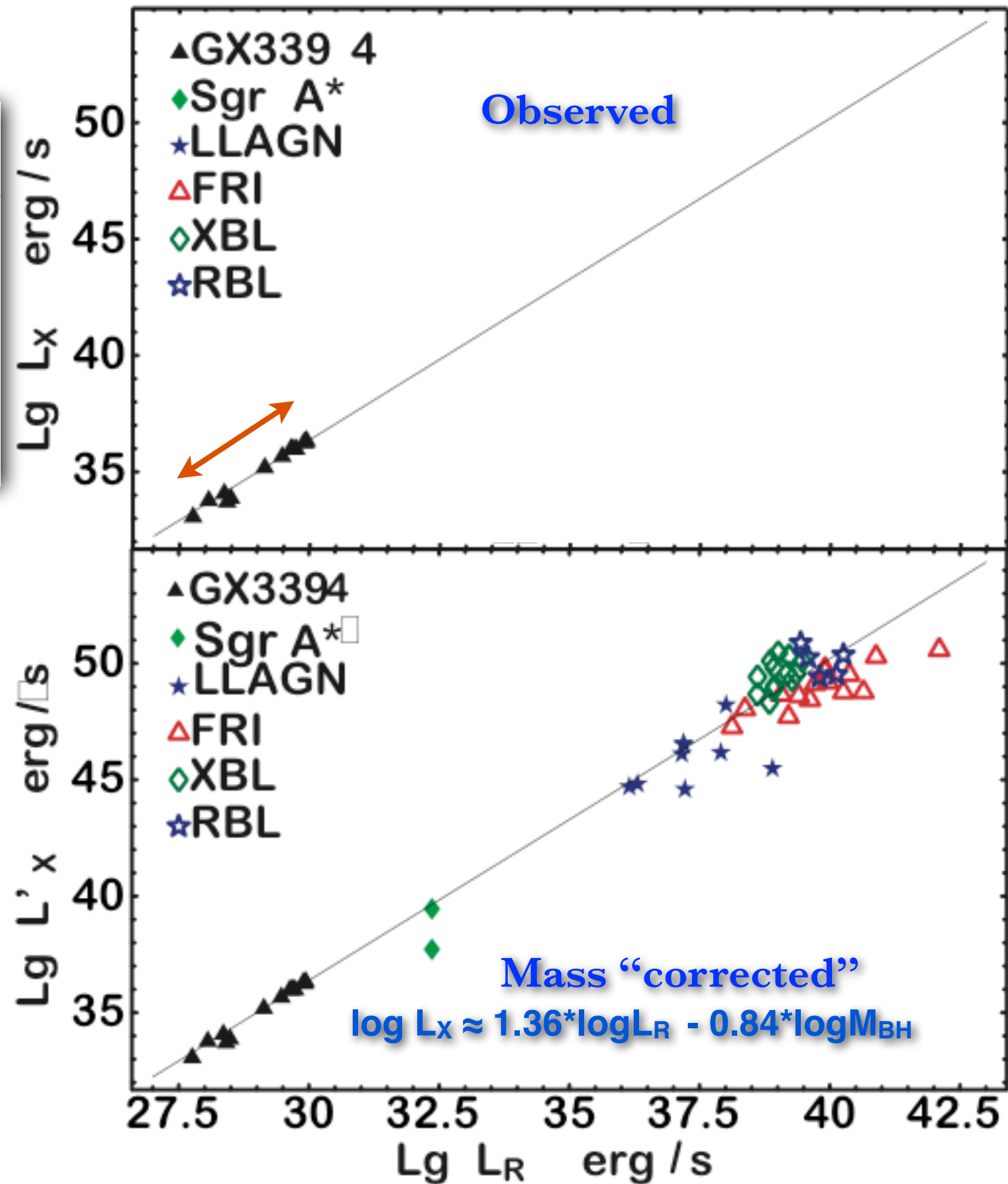
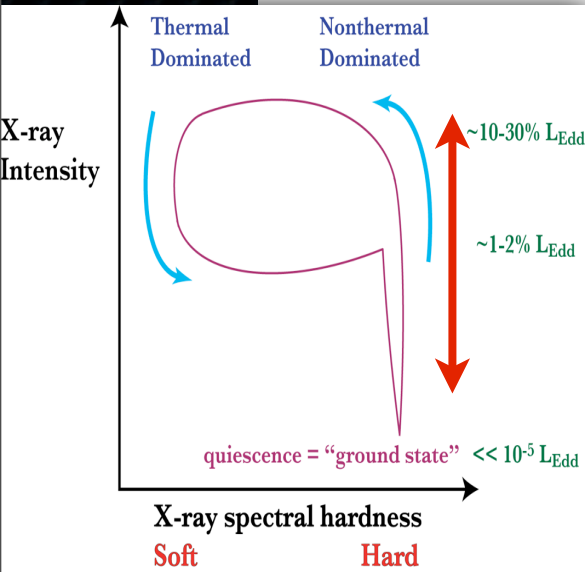


$$\log L_x \approx 1.36 \cdot \log L_R - 0.84 \cdot \log M_{\text{BH}}$$

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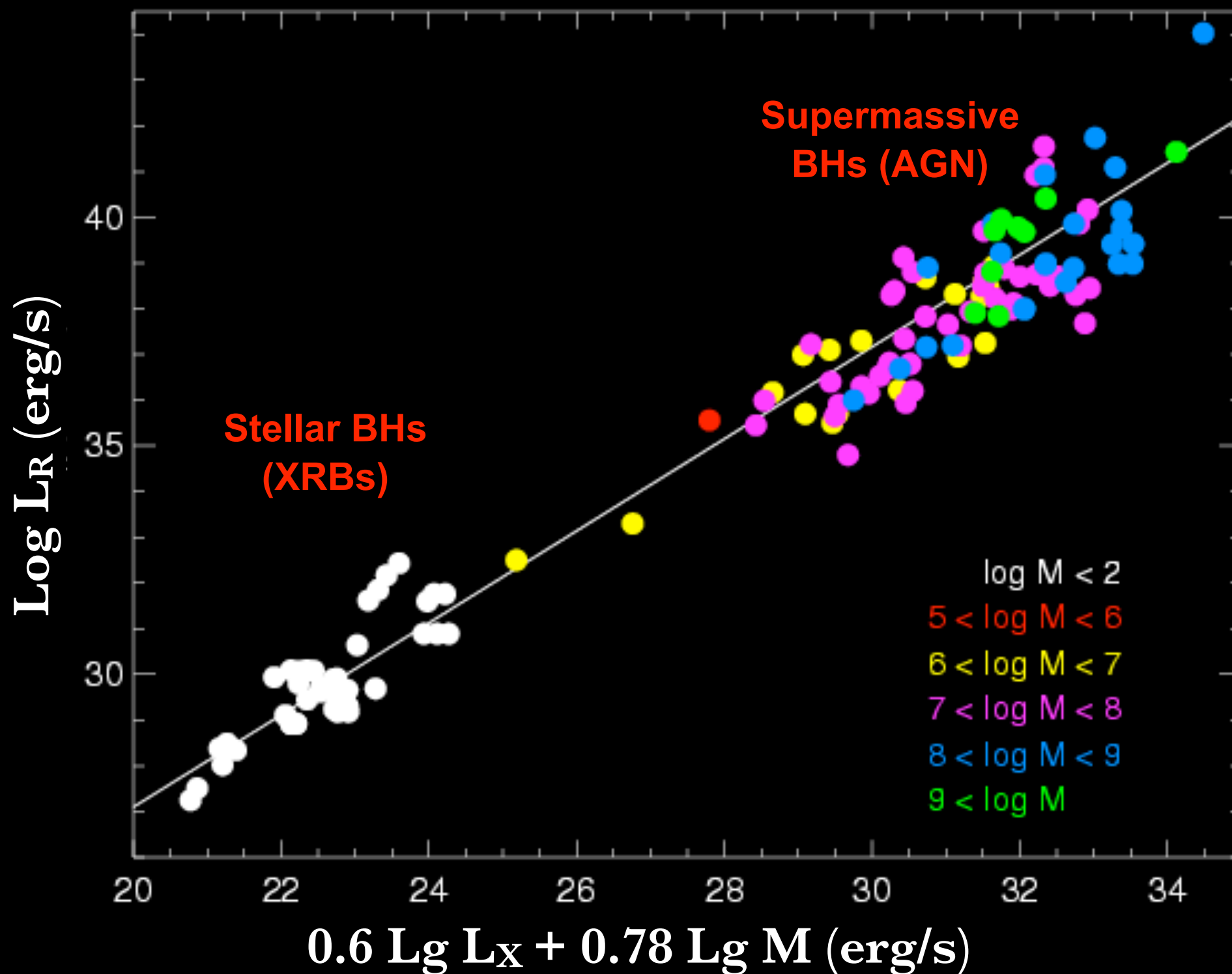
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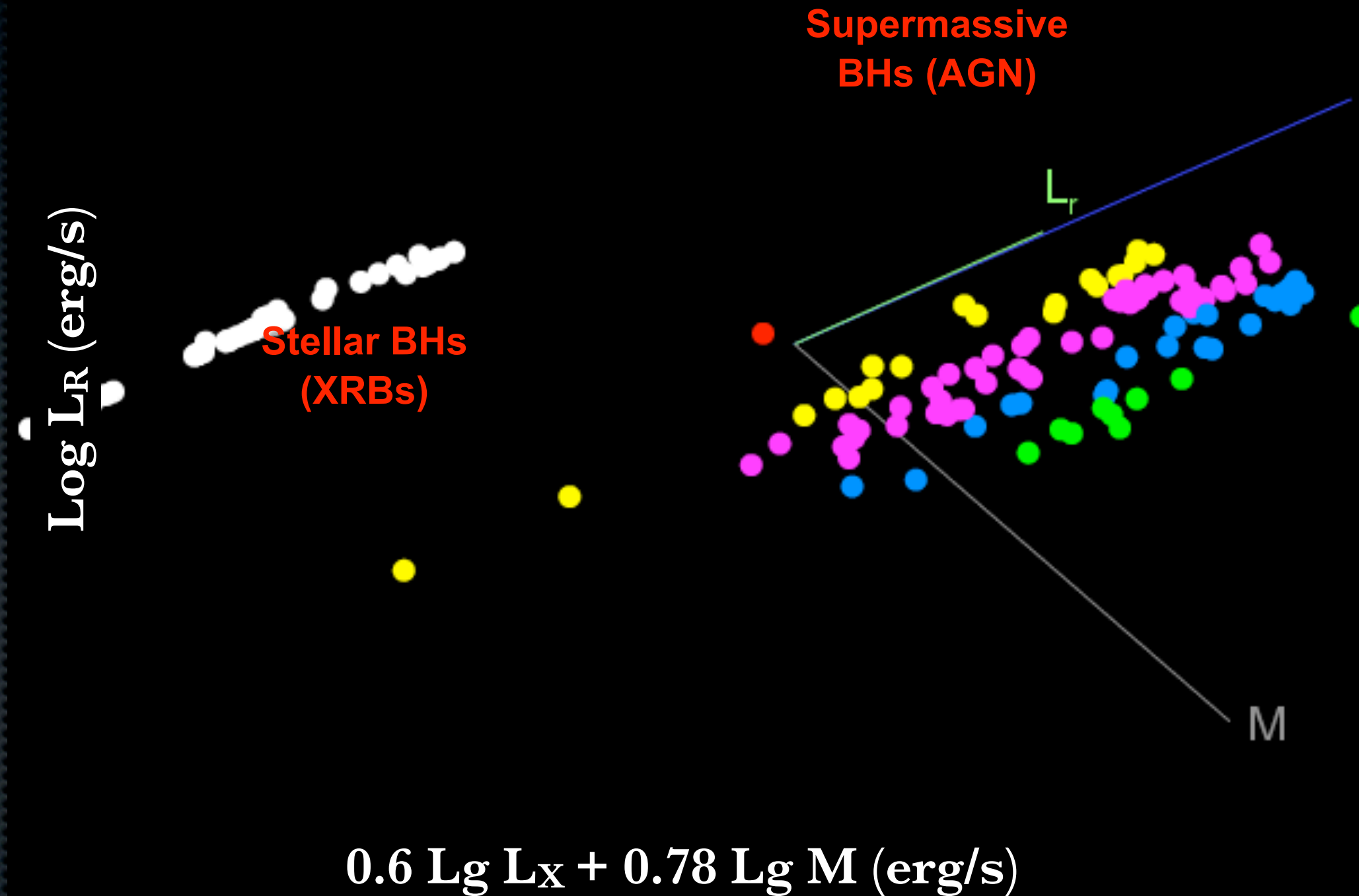


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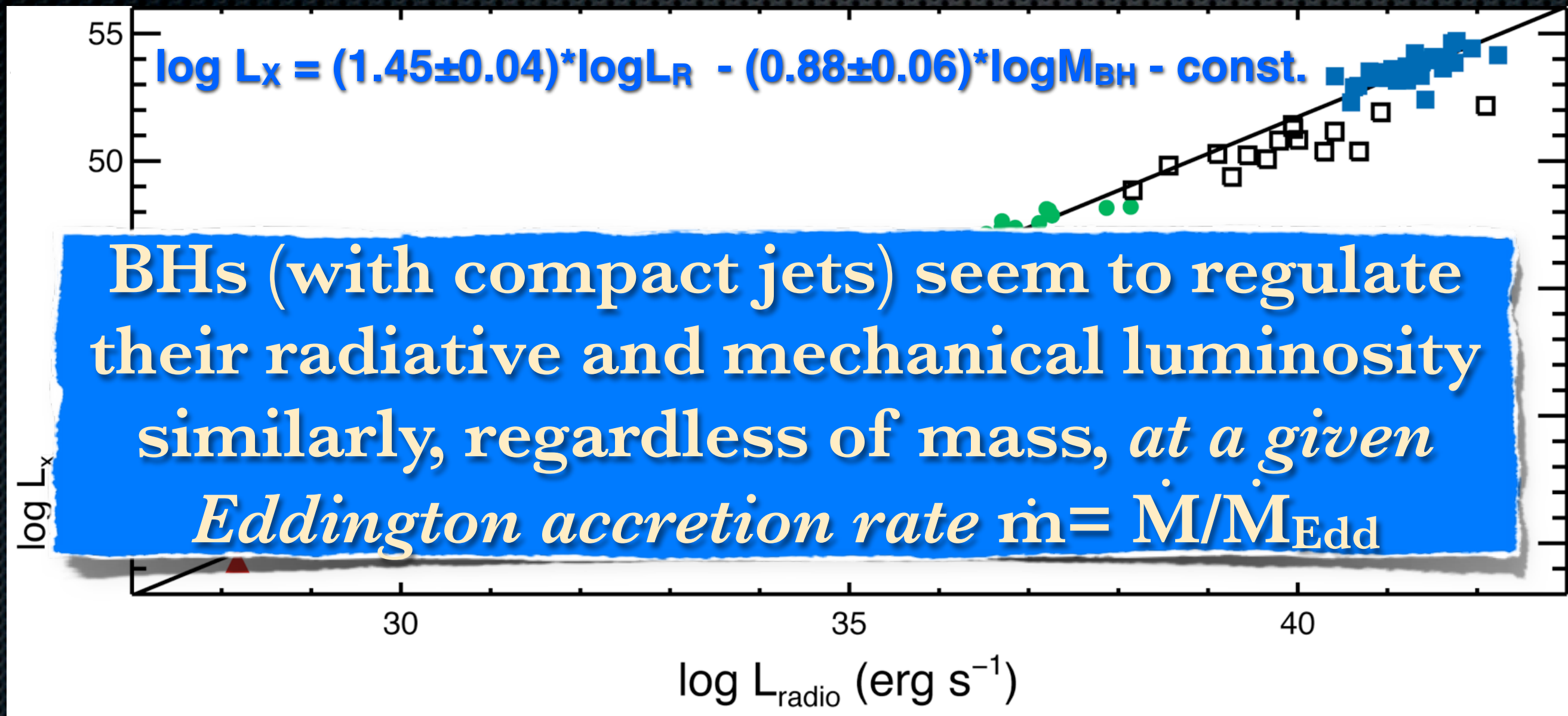


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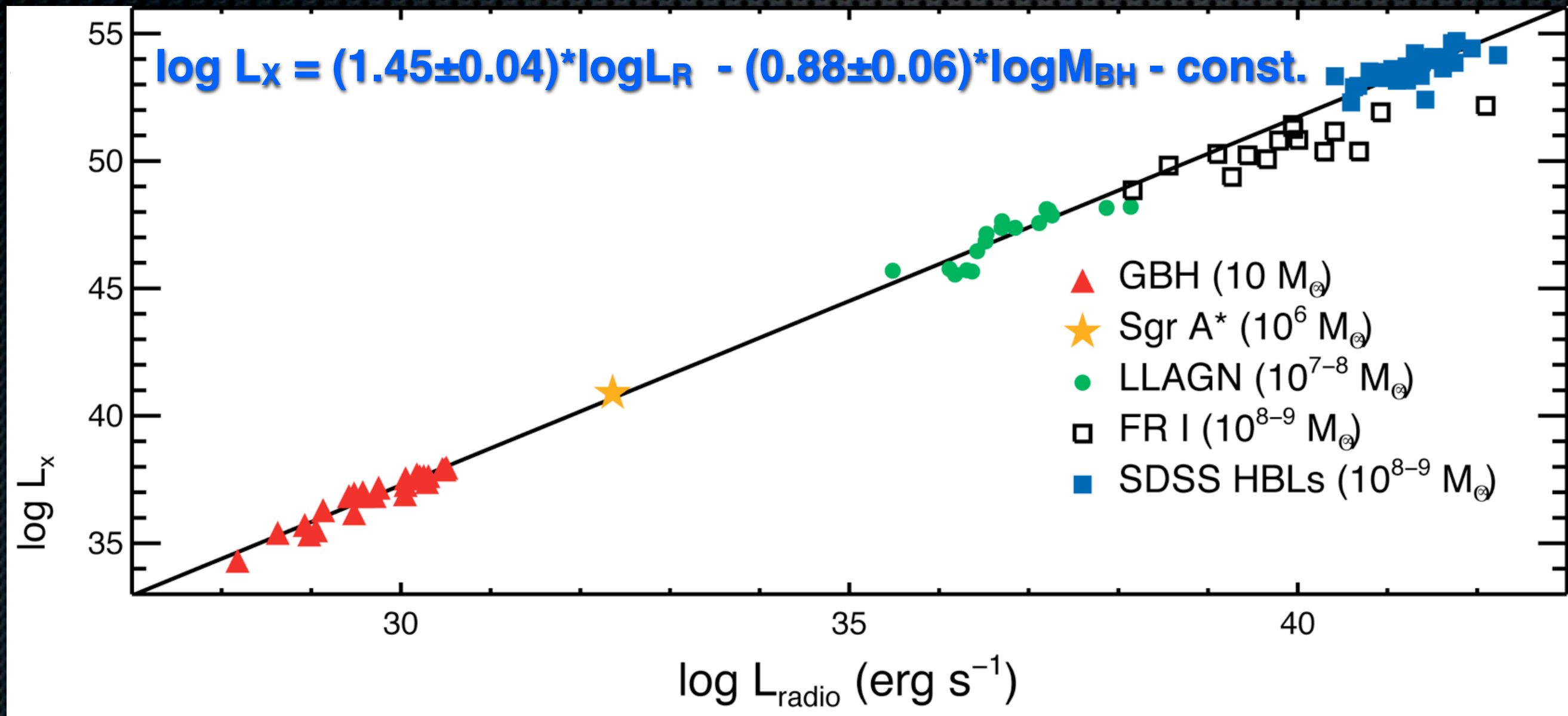
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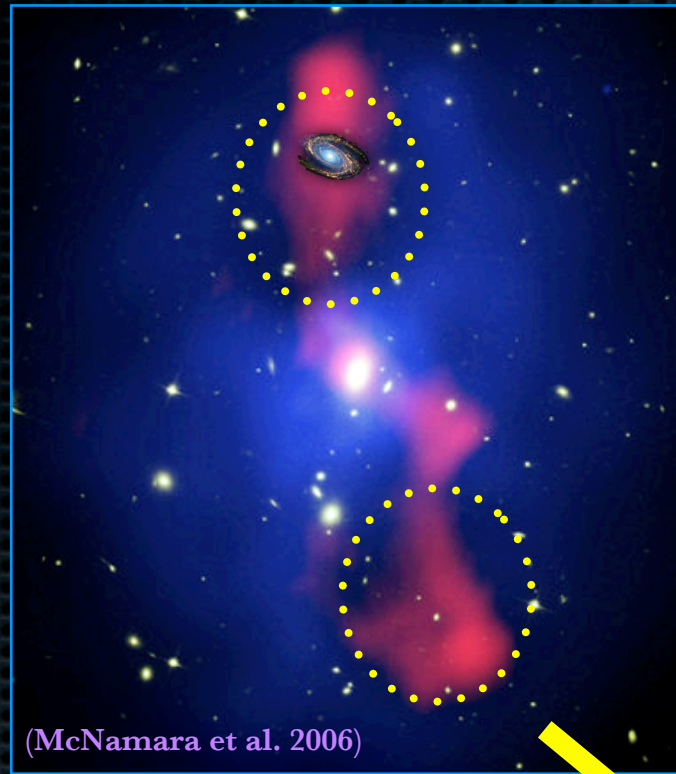
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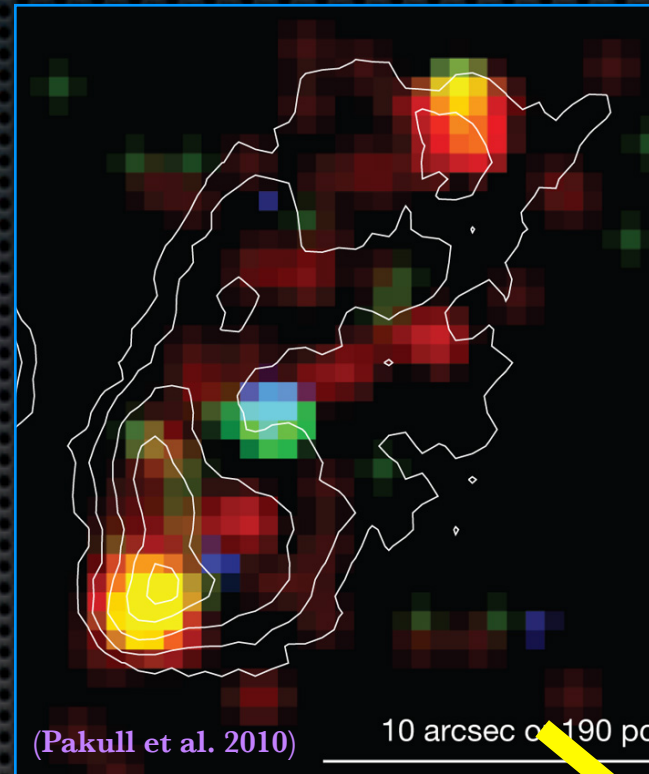


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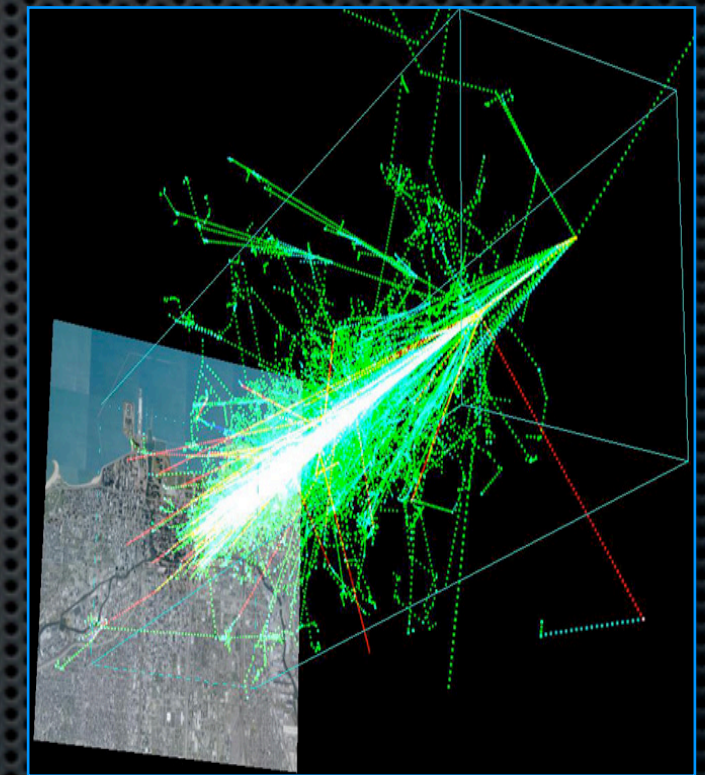
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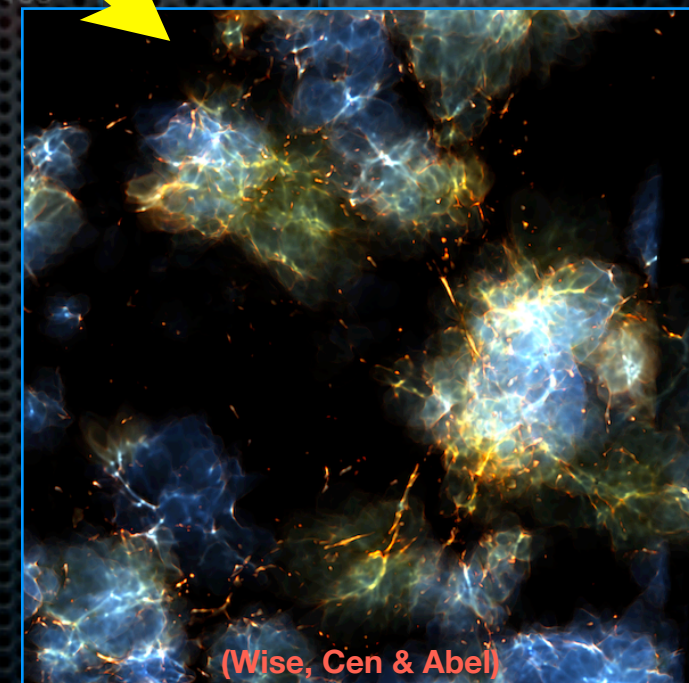
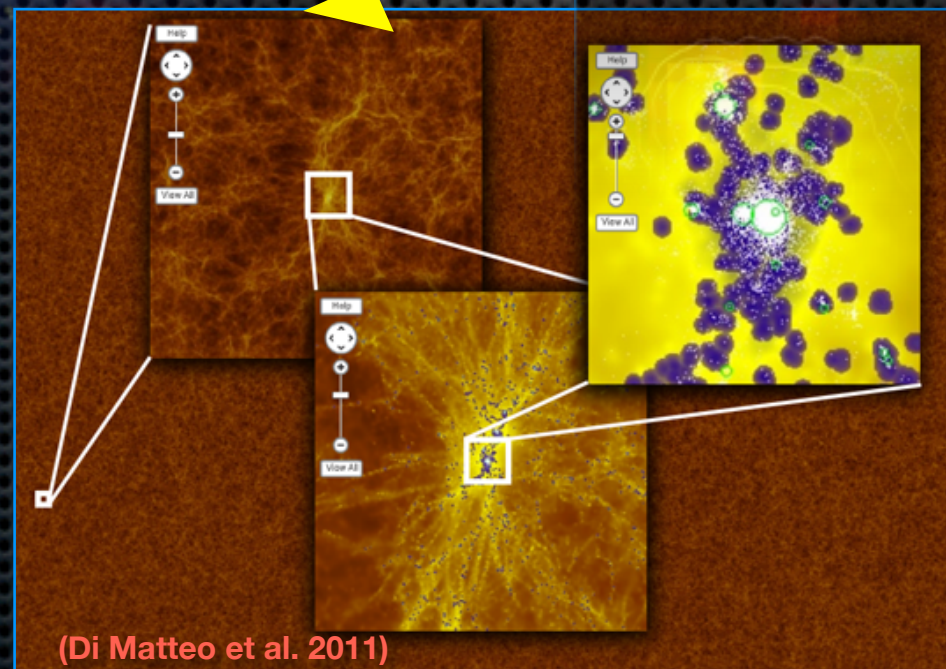
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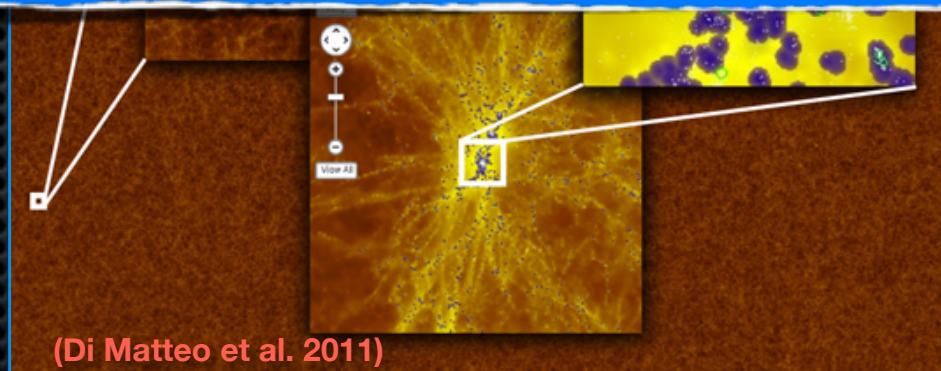
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If XRBs “scale” to SMBHs in AGN we get:

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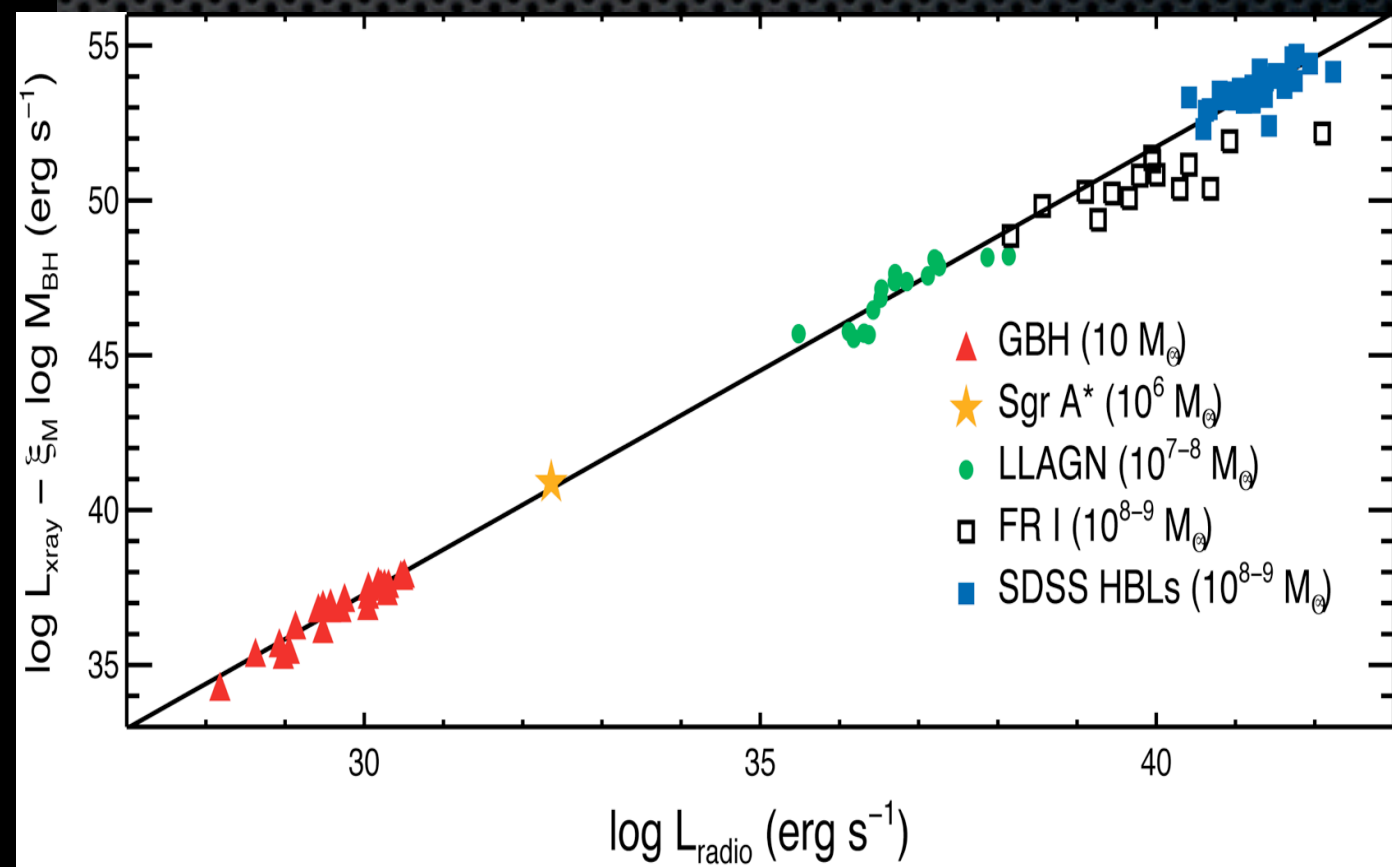
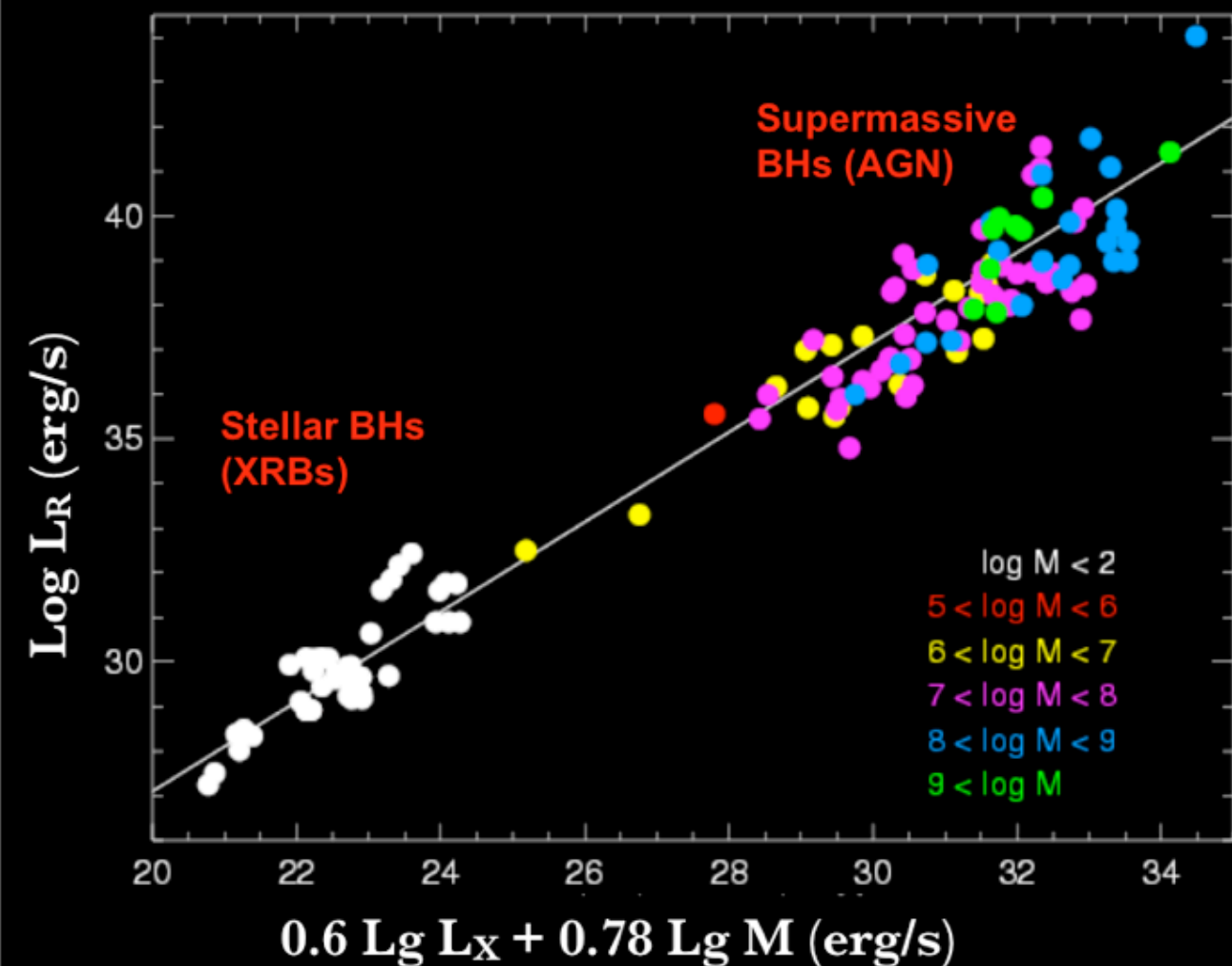
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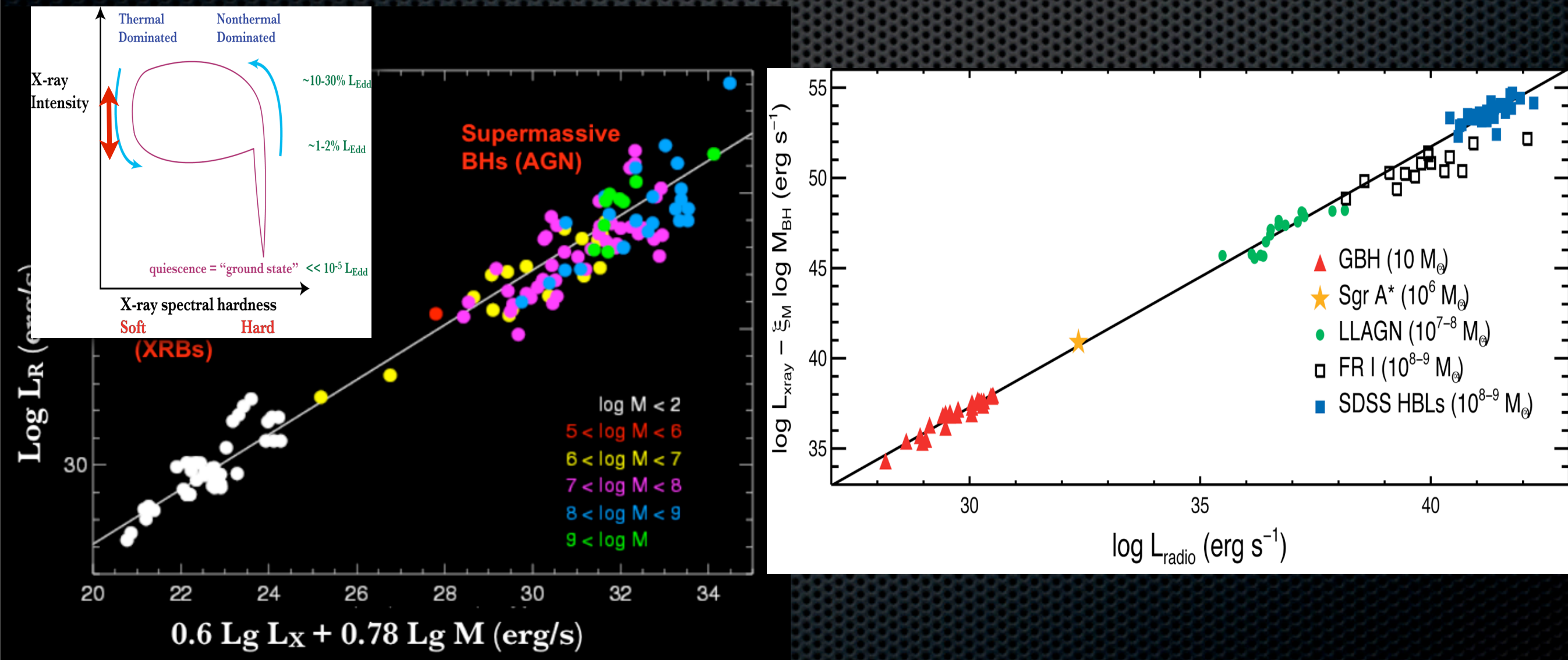


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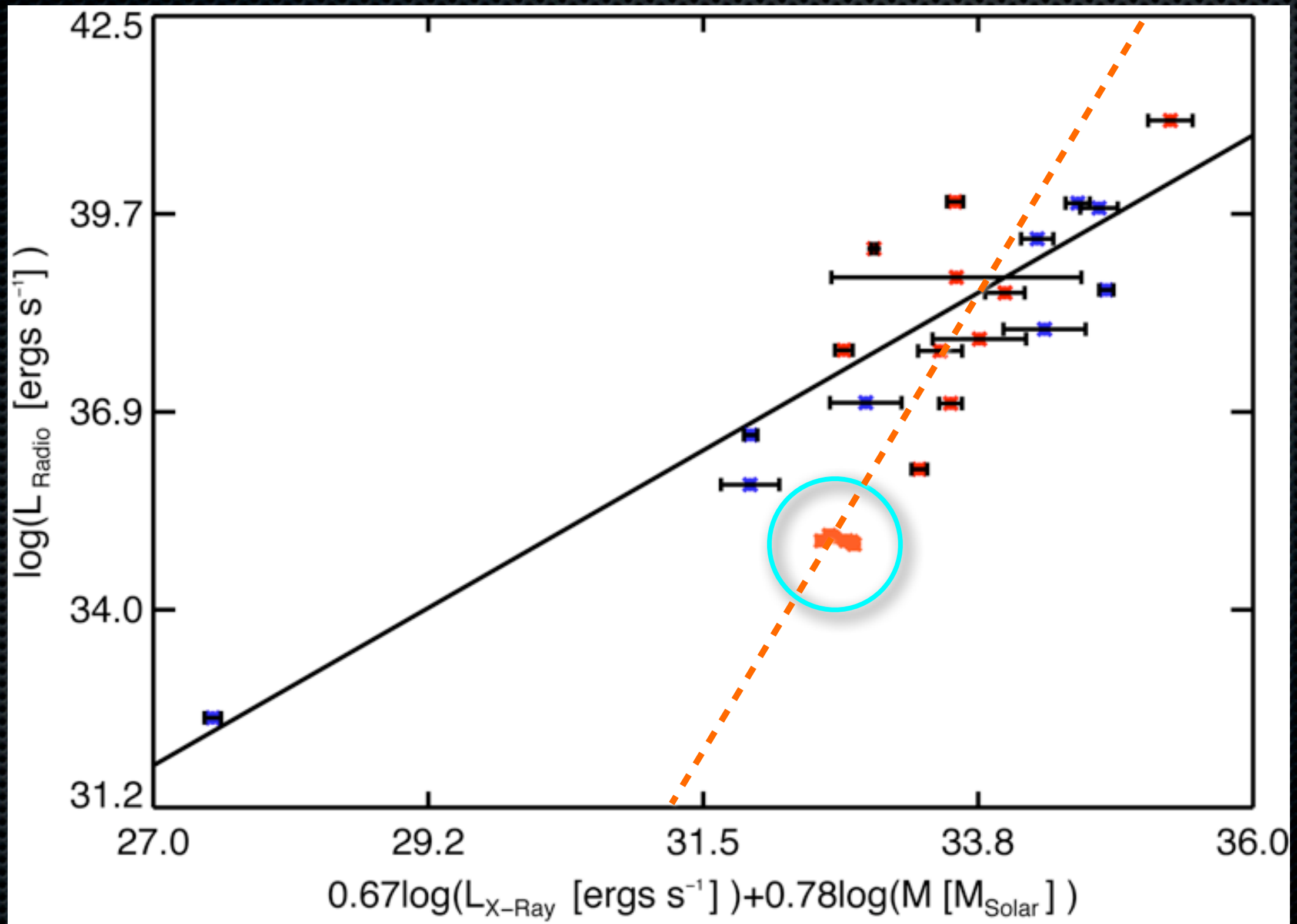


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# Evidence for a new “FP” in AGN as well?

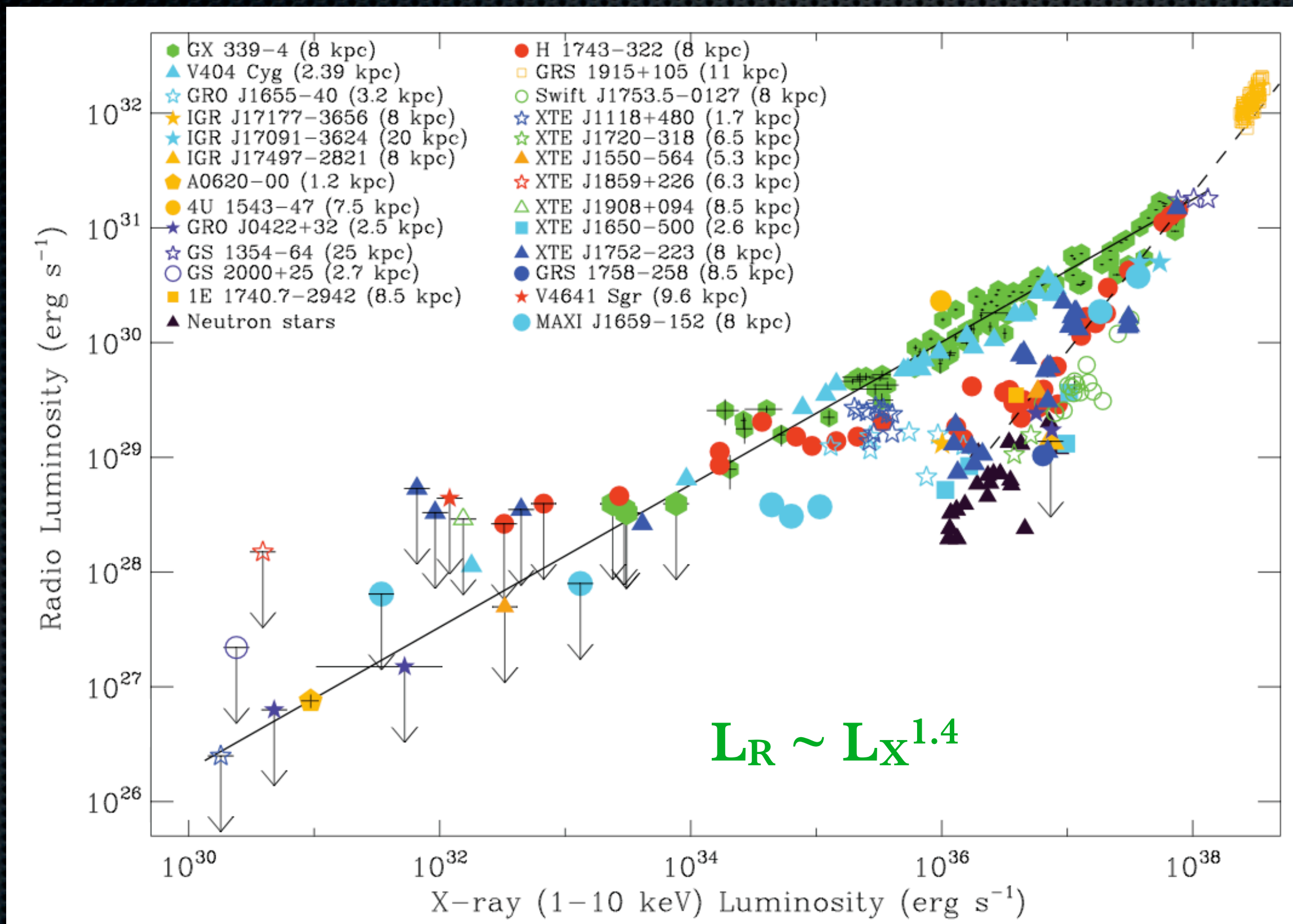
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(Gültekin et al. 2009, King et al. 2011)



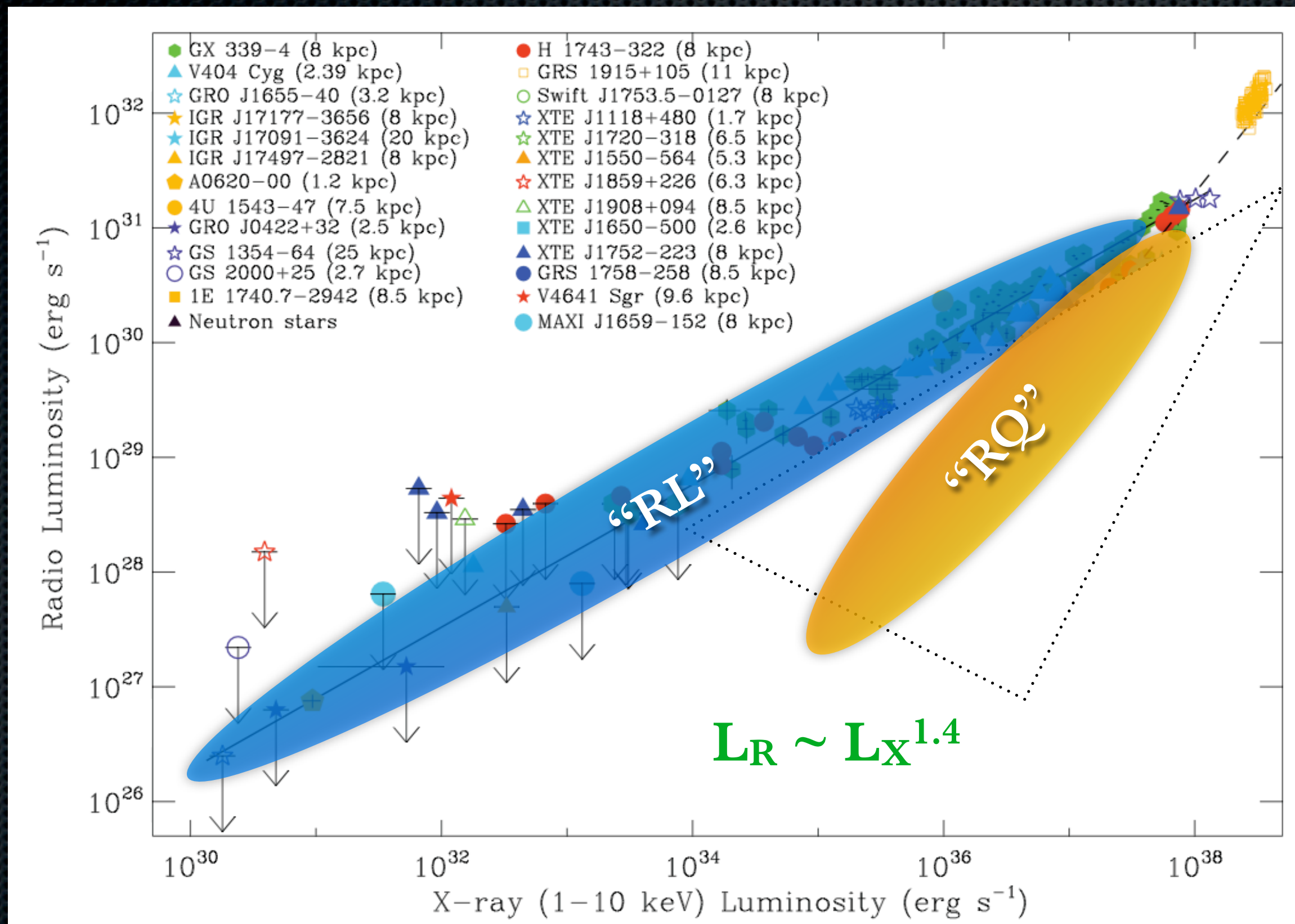
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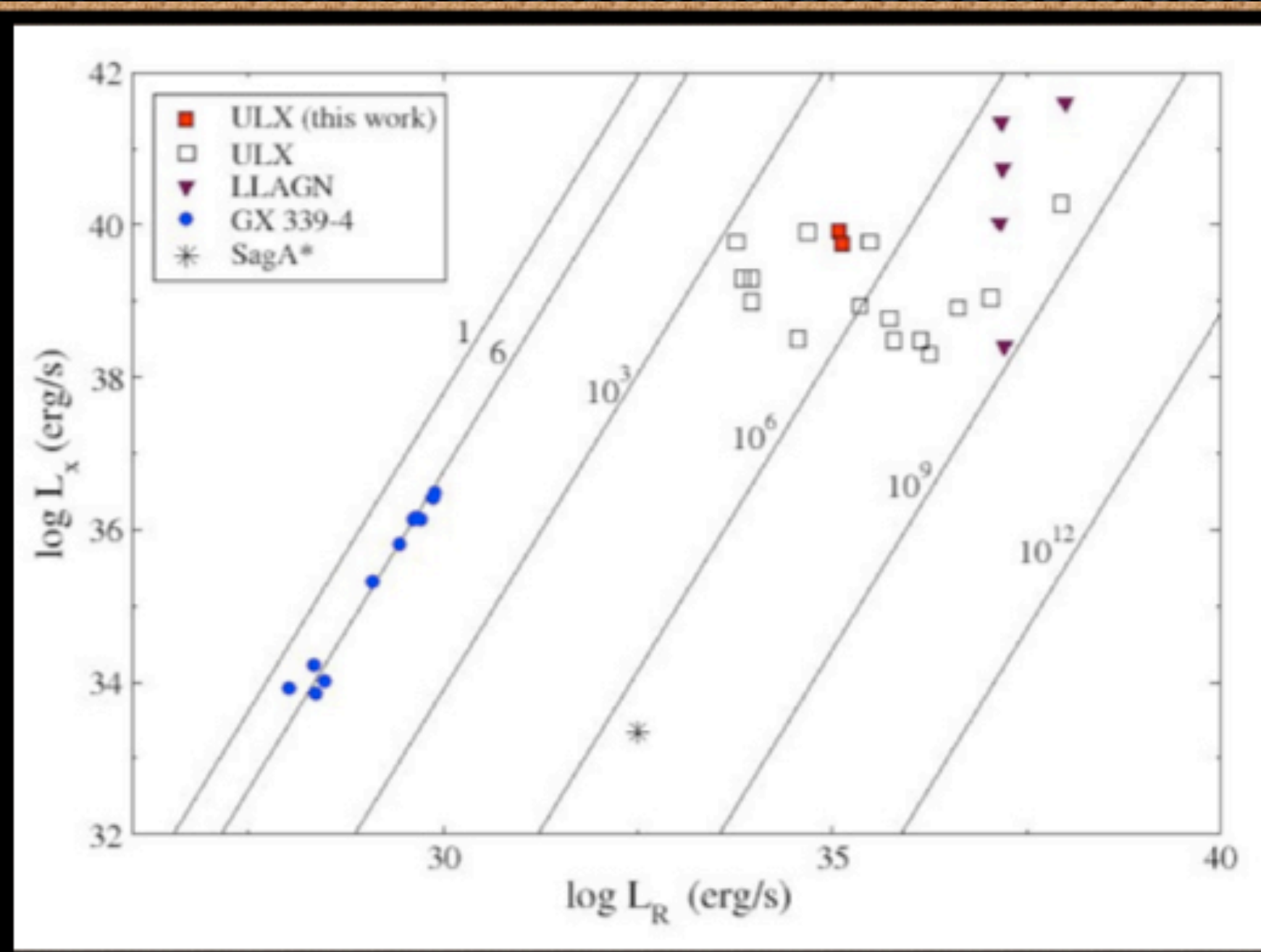
- ★ Several groups lately are starting to use the Fundamental Plane to constrain the mass of sources with  $L_R$  and  $L_X$  measurements
- ★ Can you think of any important caveats (things to be careful about)??



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**Fundamental plane.** Location in the fundamental plane of the ULXs N4088-X1 and N4861-X2 (this work, red squares) and of other ULXs with radio counterparts (open squares). The parallel lines correspond to the labeled BH mass relative to that of the Sun. We show for comparison the Corbel et al. (2003) data for the X-ray binary GX 339-4 (filled circles), and the Merloni et al. (2003) data for some Low Luminosity AGN (inverted triangles).

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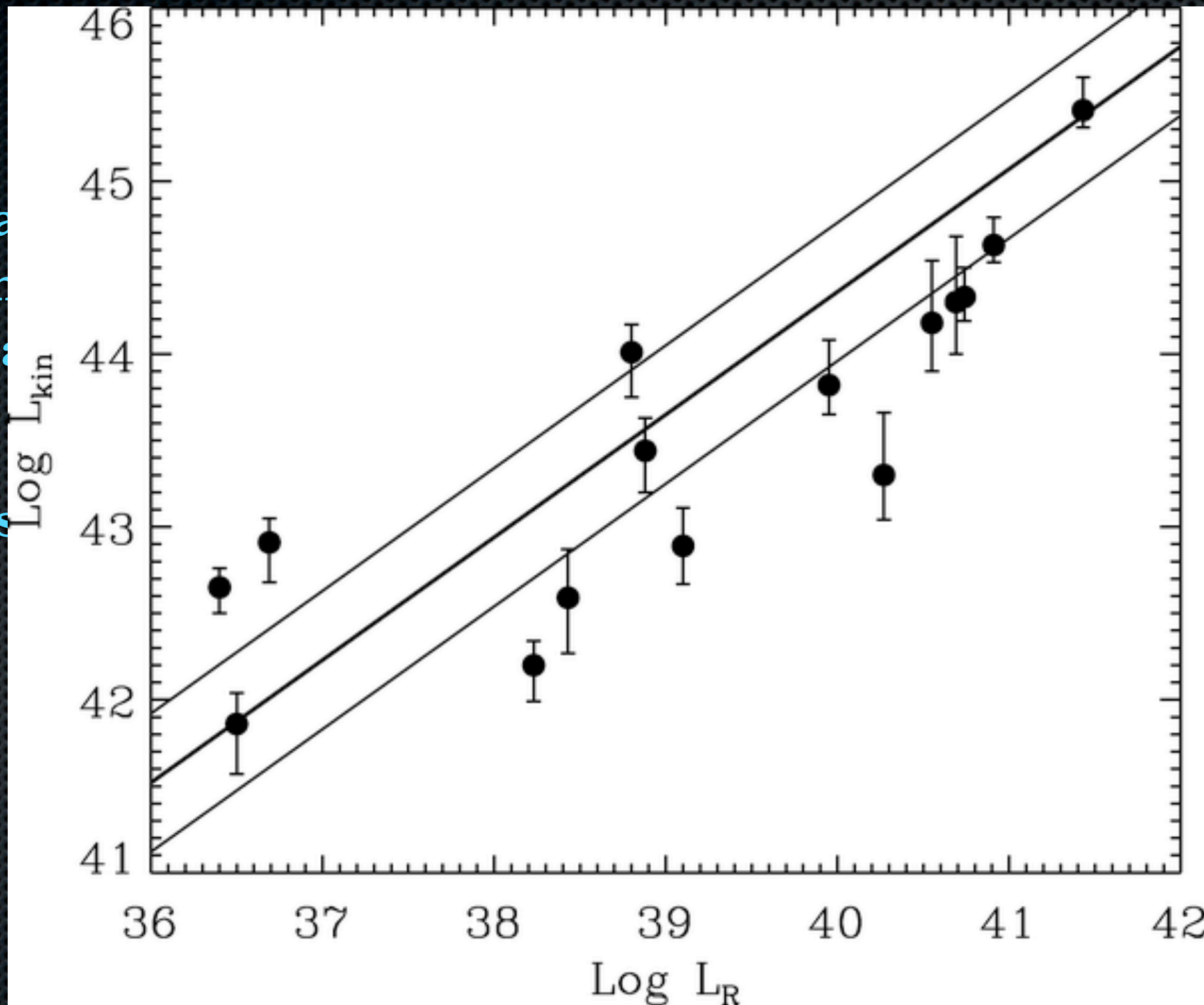
- ★ One can turn around the  $L_R \sim \dot{M}^{17/12}$  to convert observations of samples of AGN into estimates of kinetic power associated with jet “mechanical feedback”
- ★ There is a long way to go however, since we do not yet understand the duty cycle of the different states, or the power channels in all the various states, or even which XRB states actually map

(e.g., Heinz, Merloni & Schwab 2007)



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- ★ There are two main power states



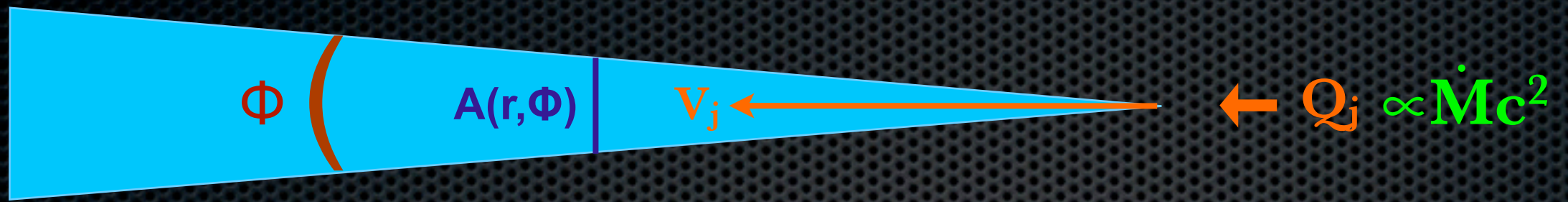
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# Are the break locations determined by pure scaling?



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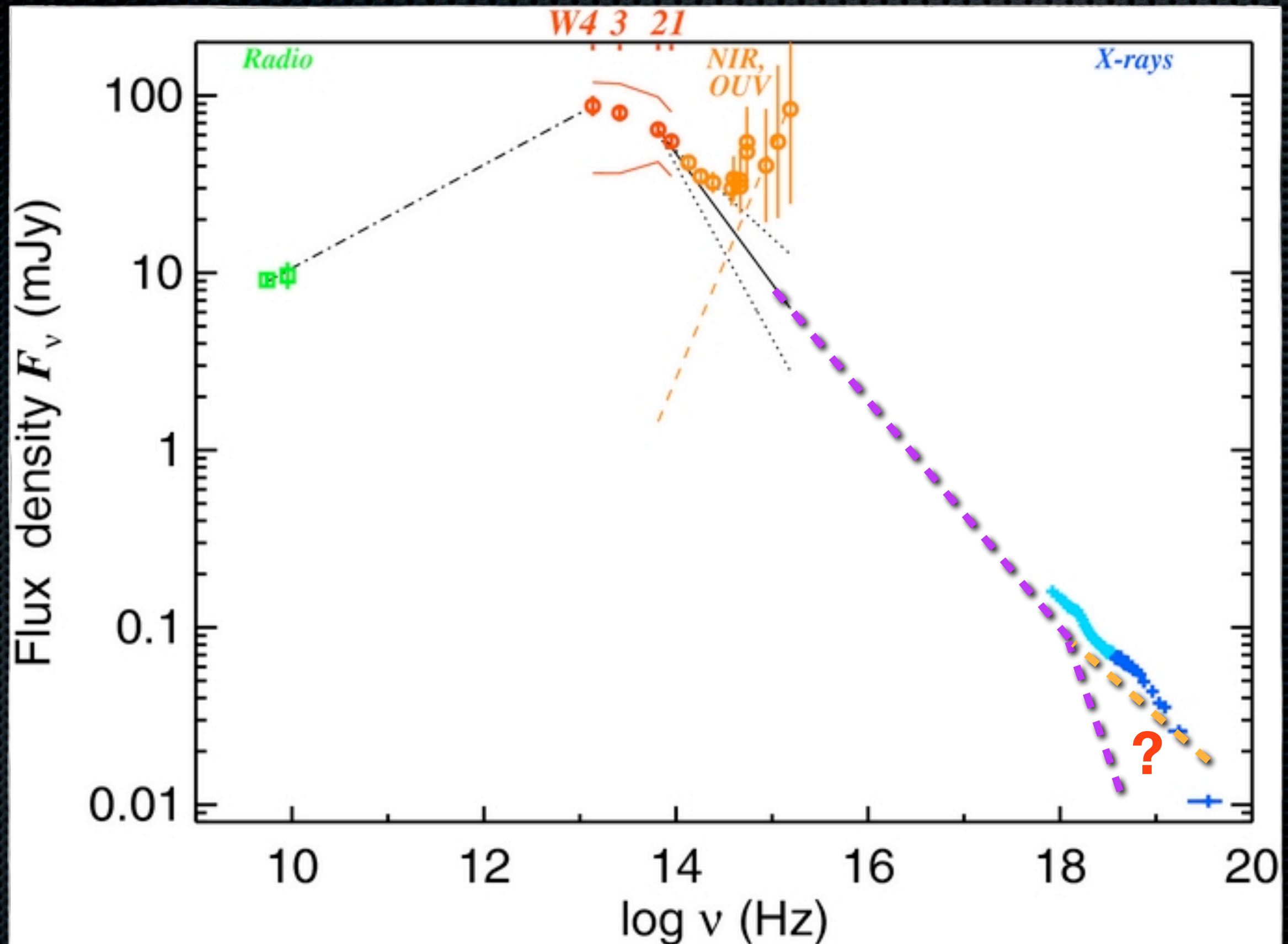
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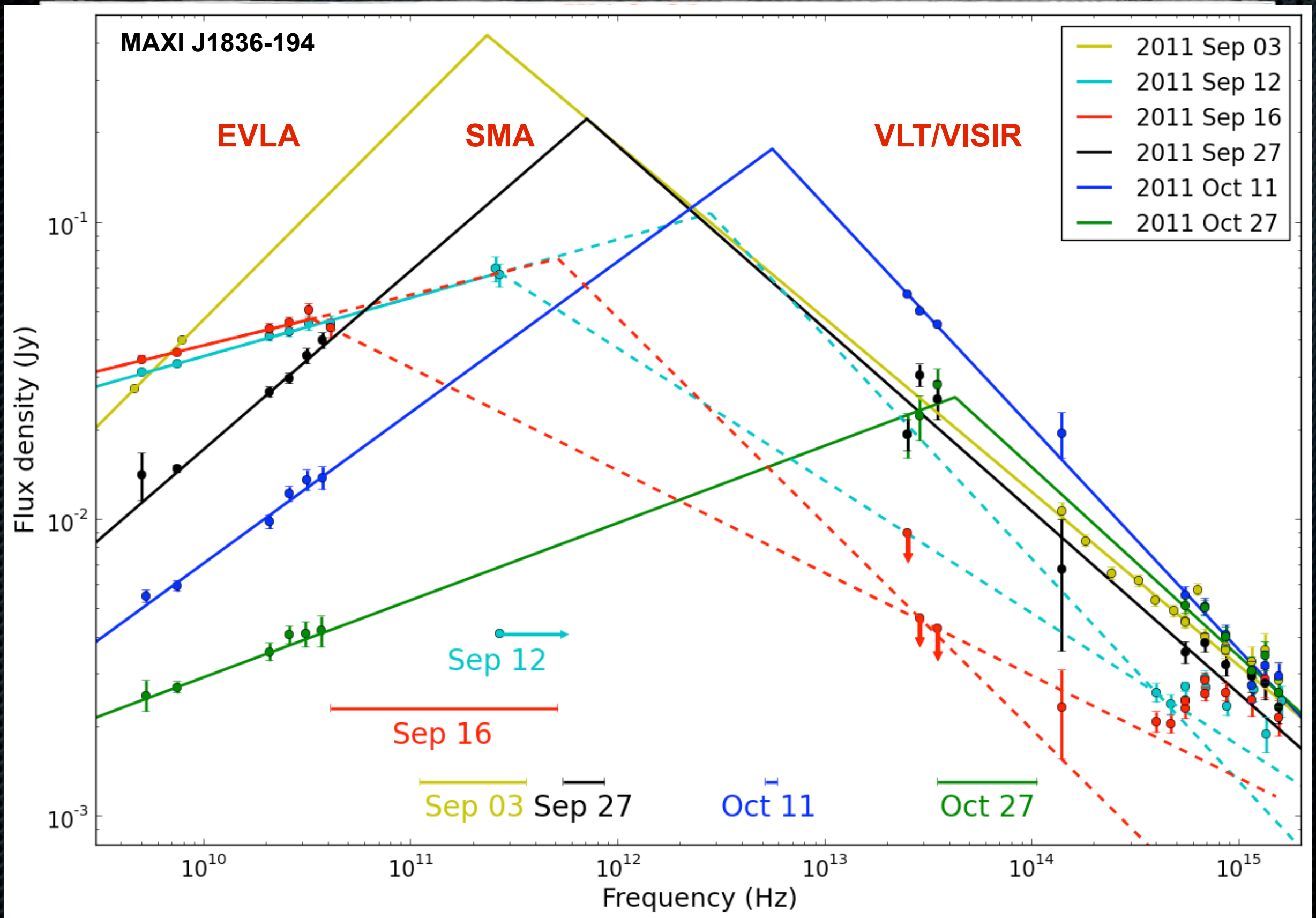
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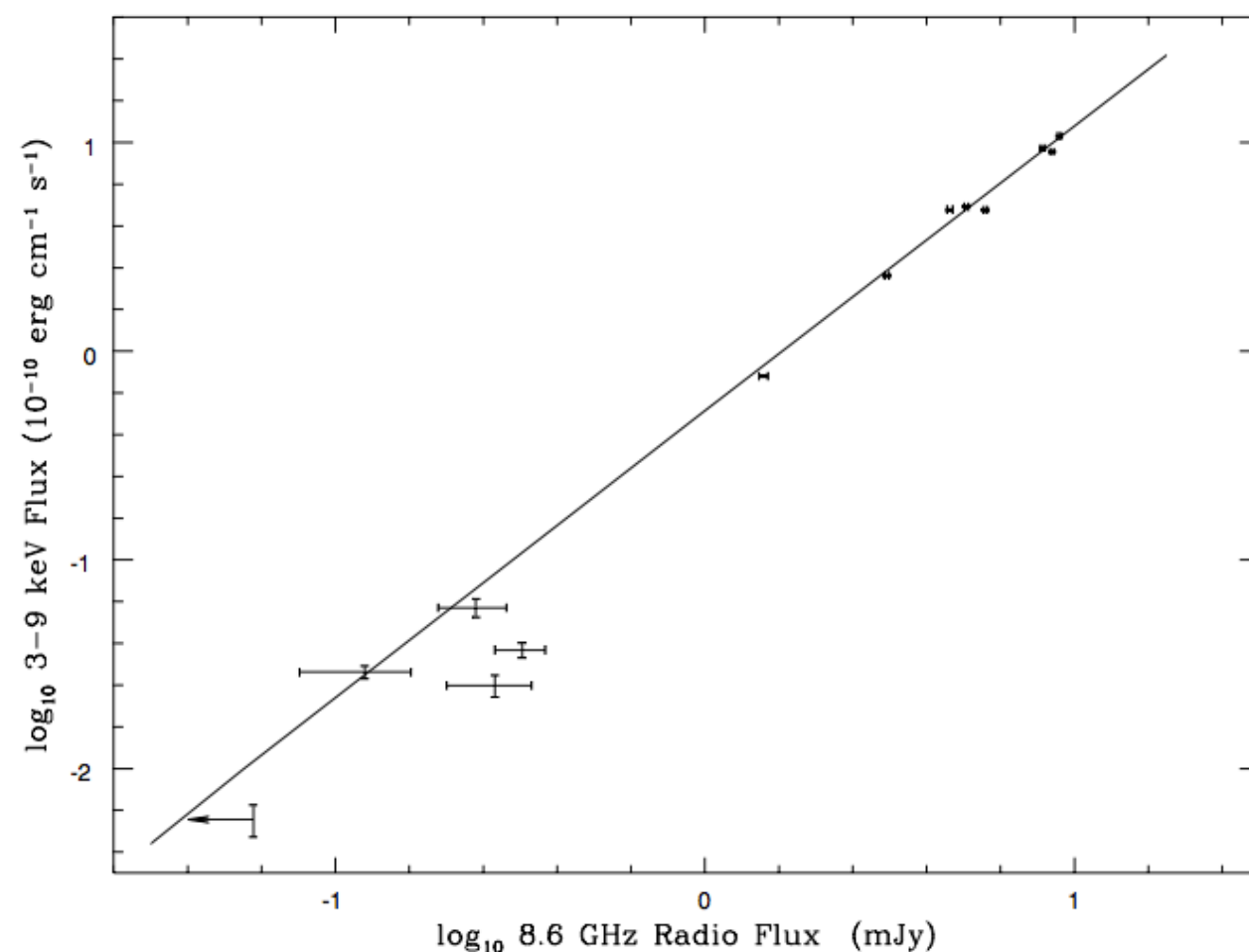
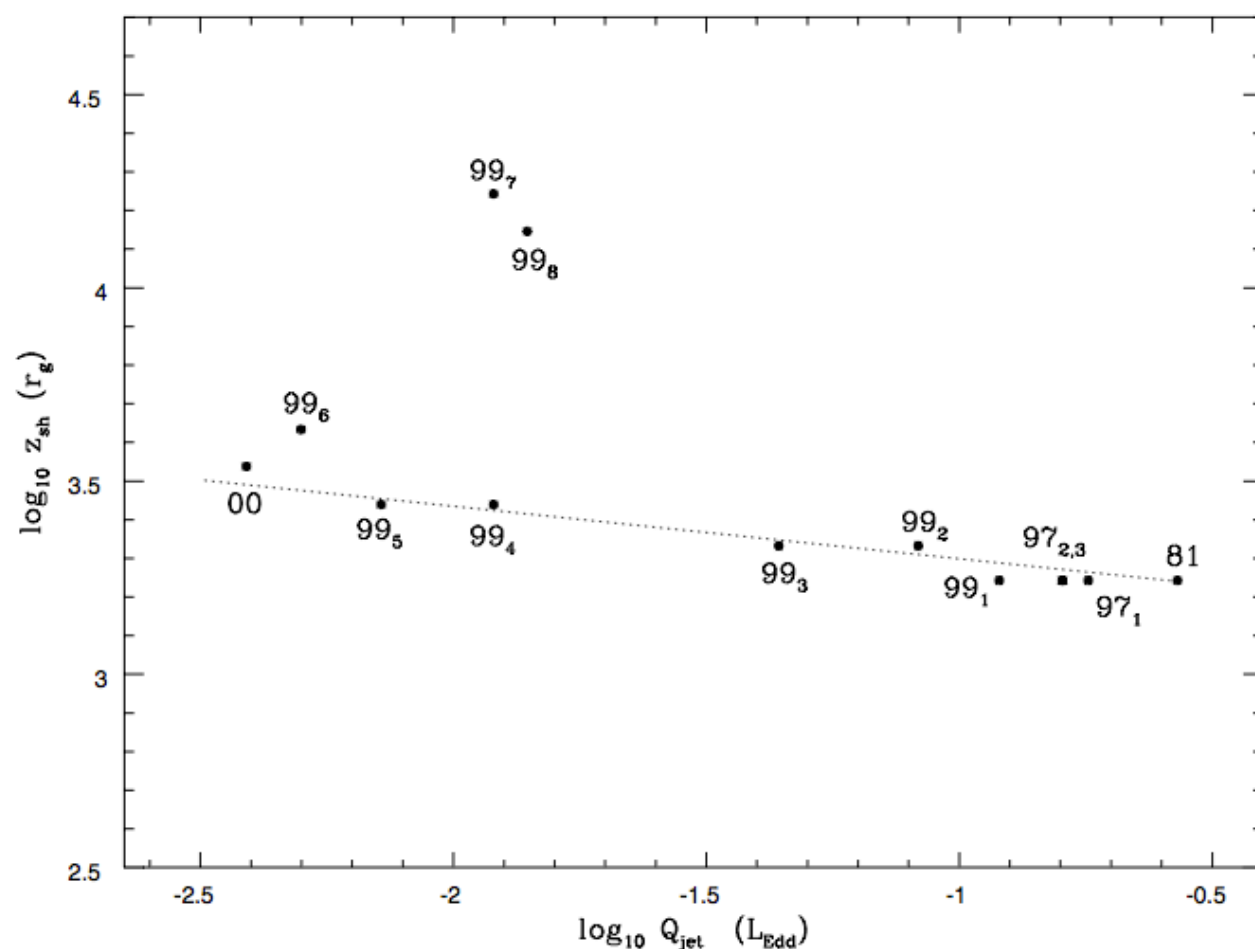
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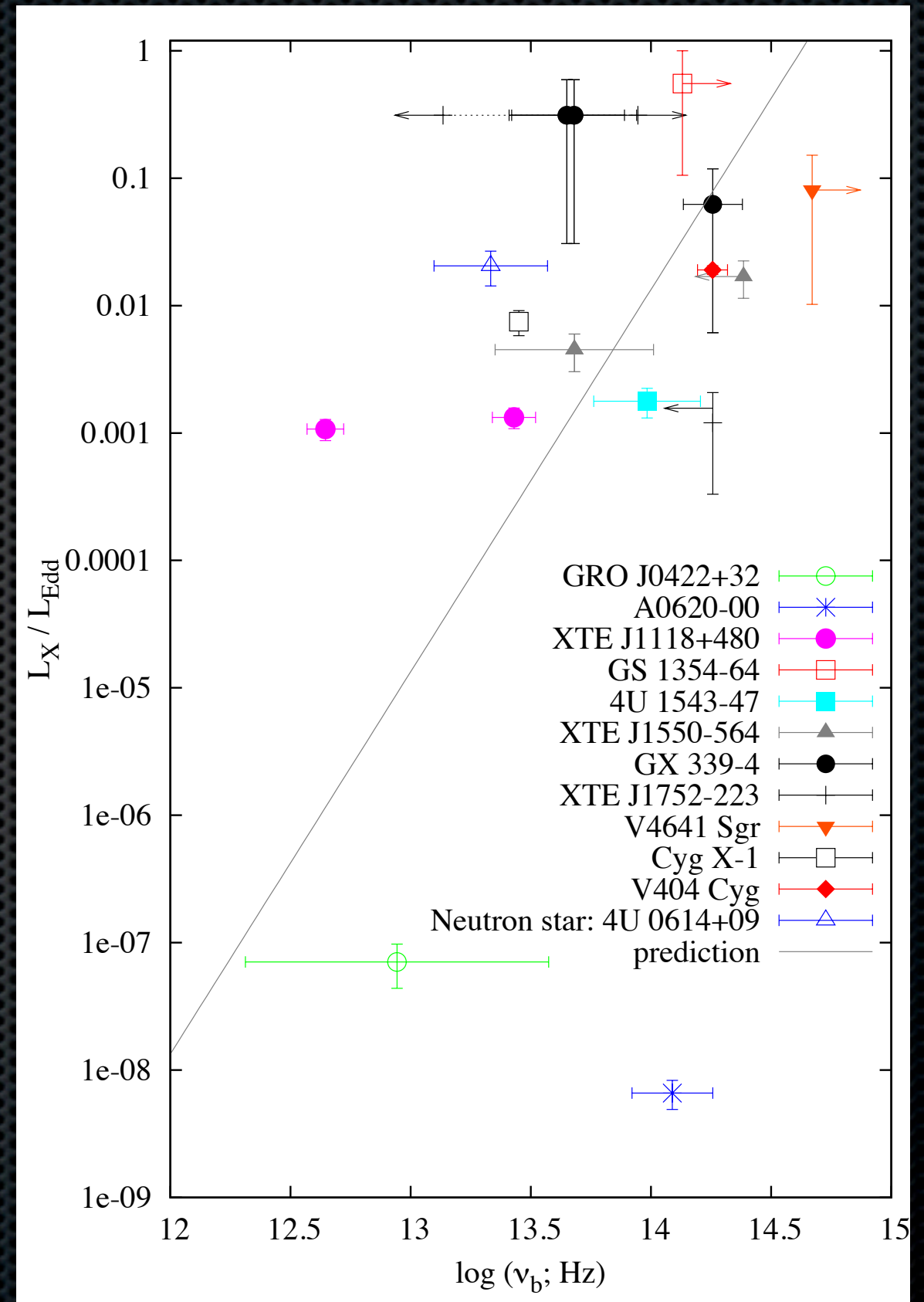
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(SM et al. 2003)



# Simultaneous radio-X-ray spectra → strong constraints on jet physics

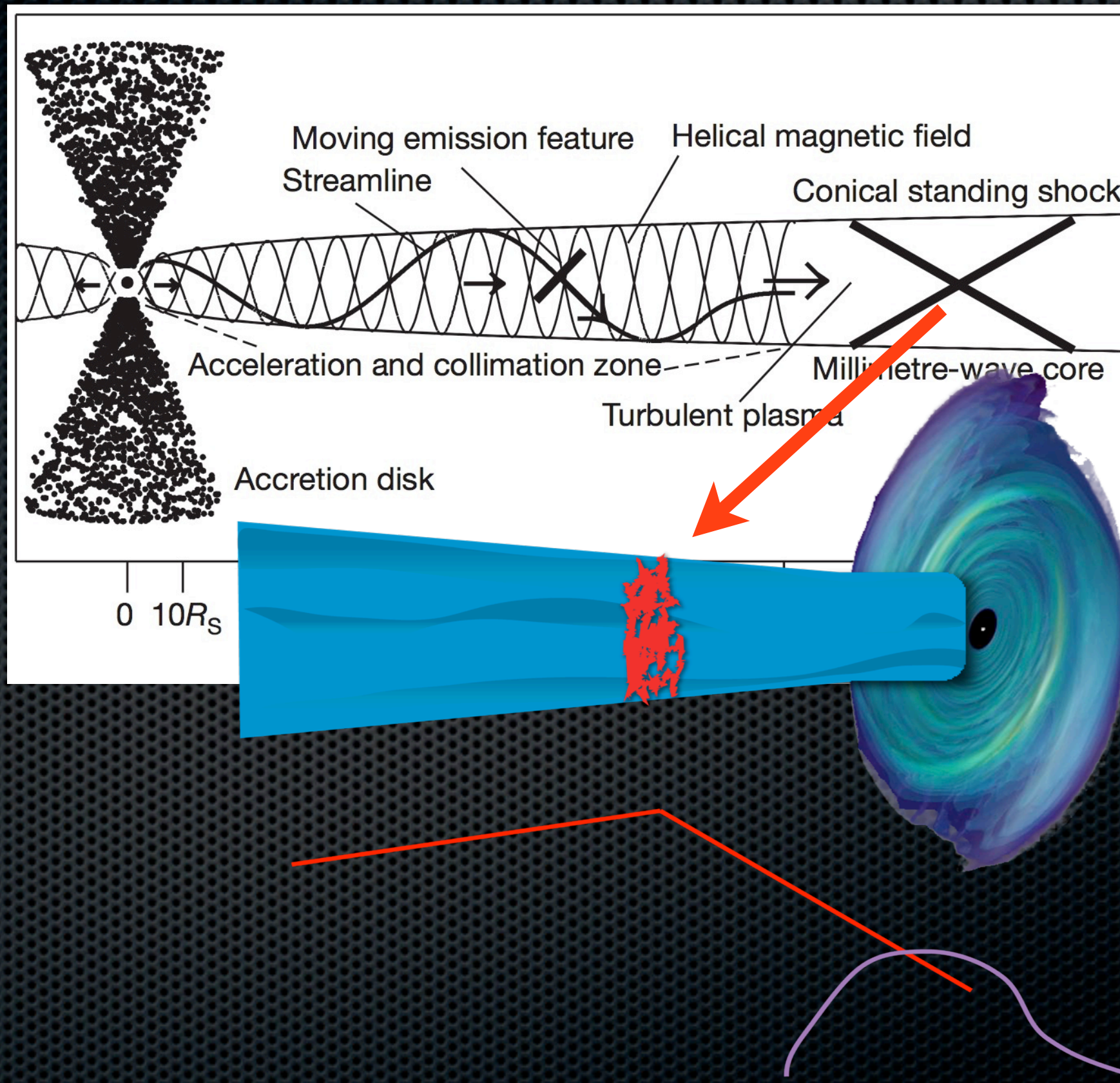
- ★ Now we're starting to observe/constrain the breaks in many XRBs during outbursts, and we don't see  $\dot{M}^{2/3}$  scaling
- ★ What does this tell us?  
Basically there's another variable driving the location where particle acceleration starts in the jets! Something that is likely determined by magnetohydrodynamical processes (Vlahakis' talk...)



(Russell et al. 2013ab)

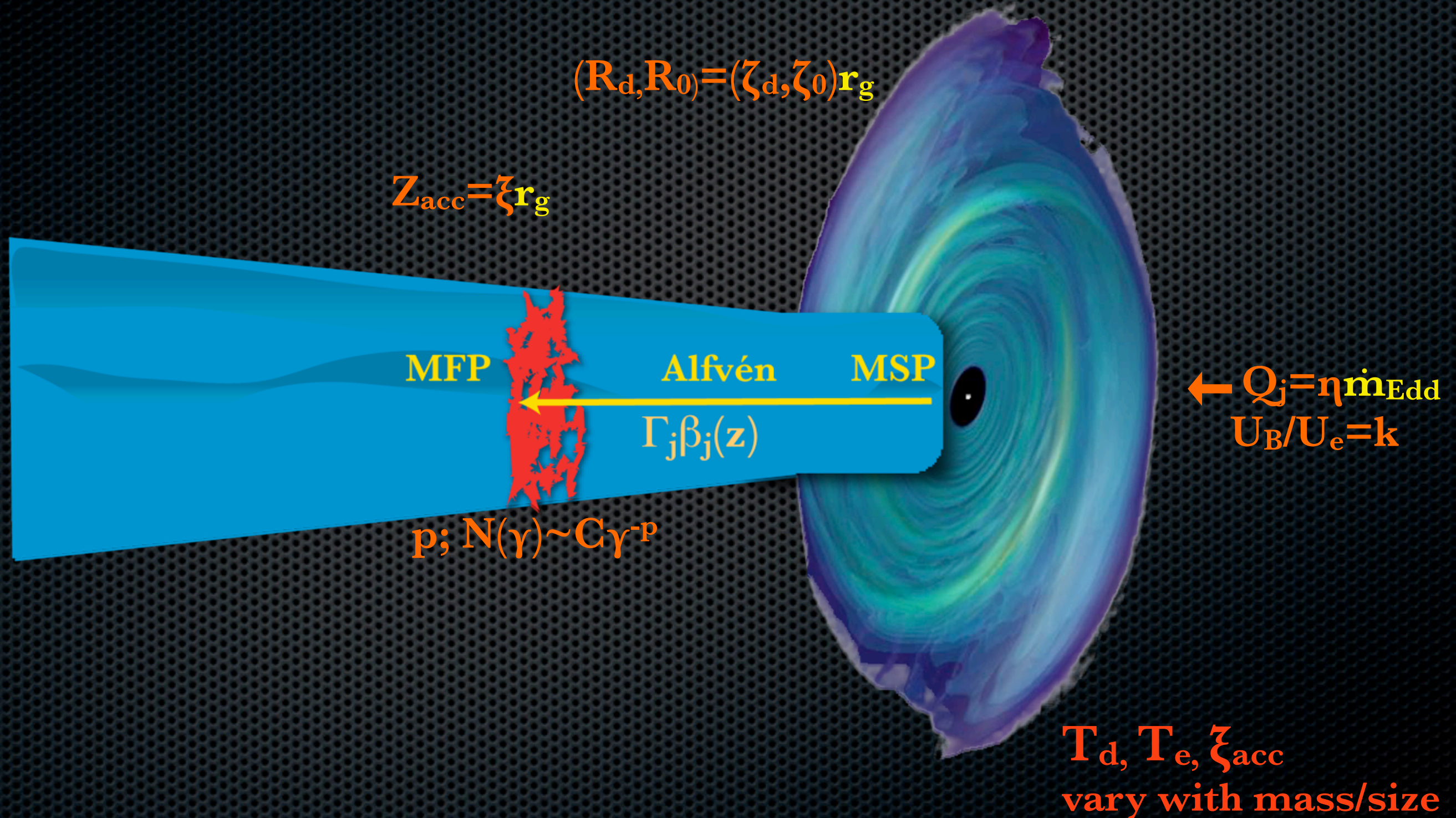


# “Deeper” meaning of the break frequency





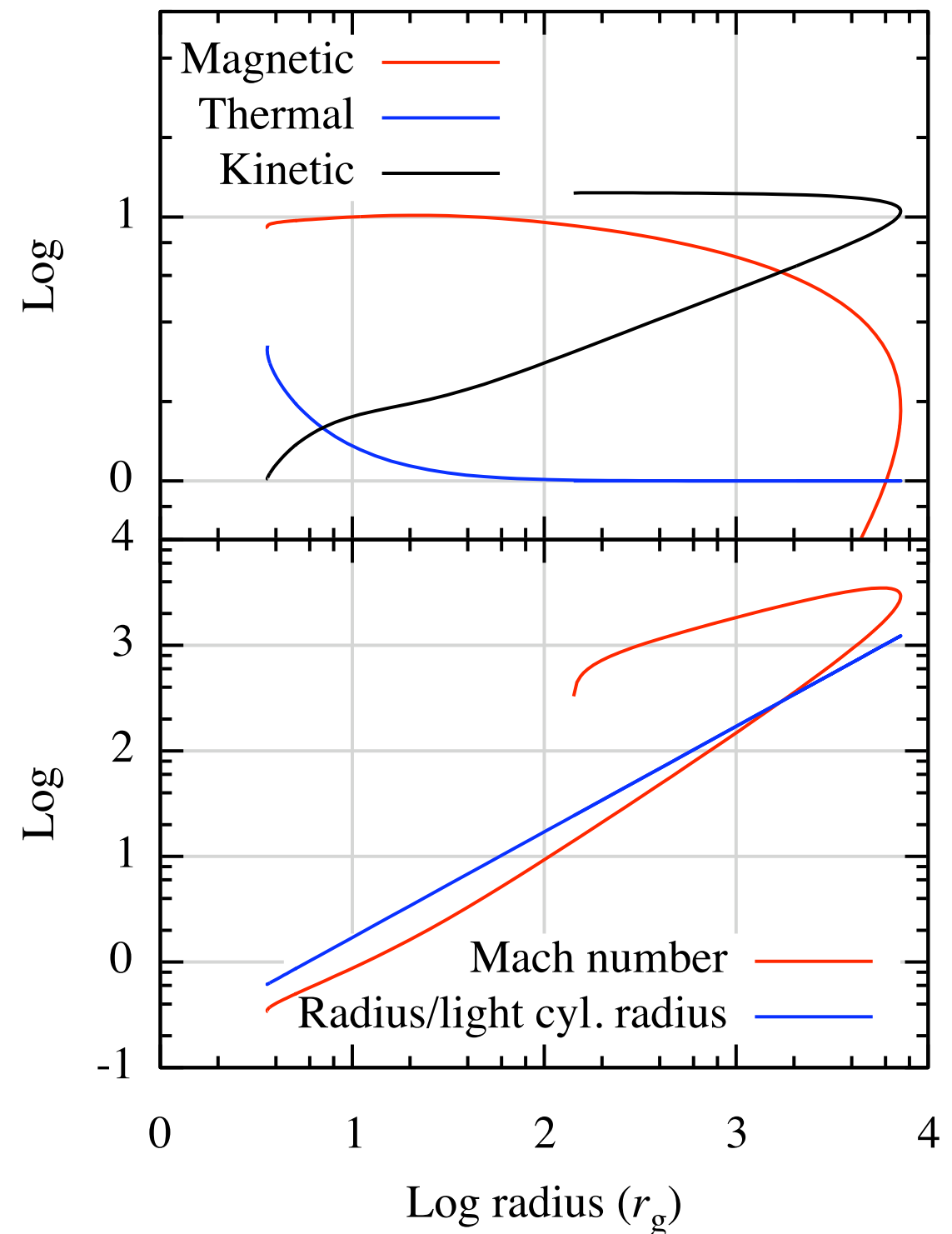
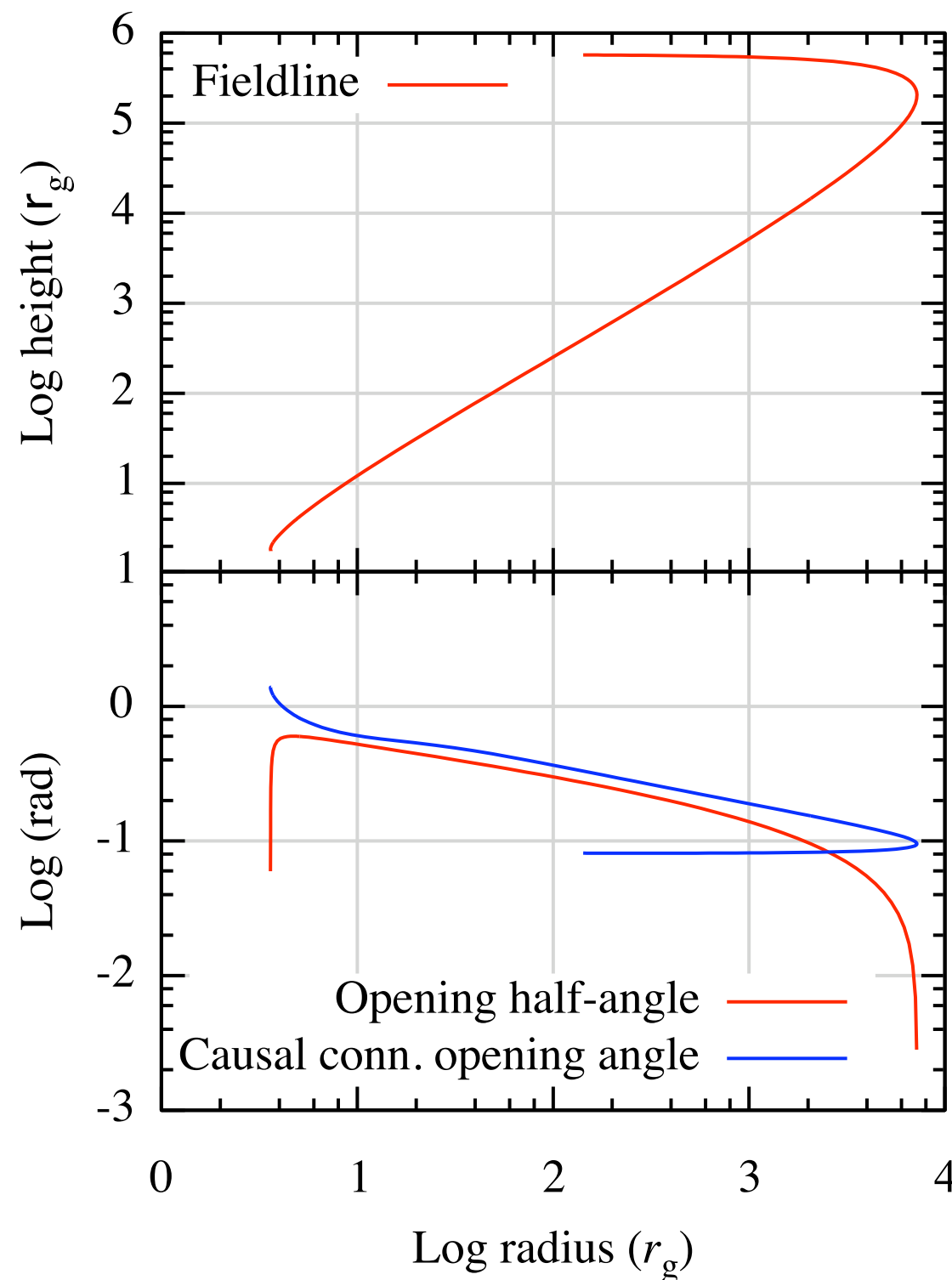
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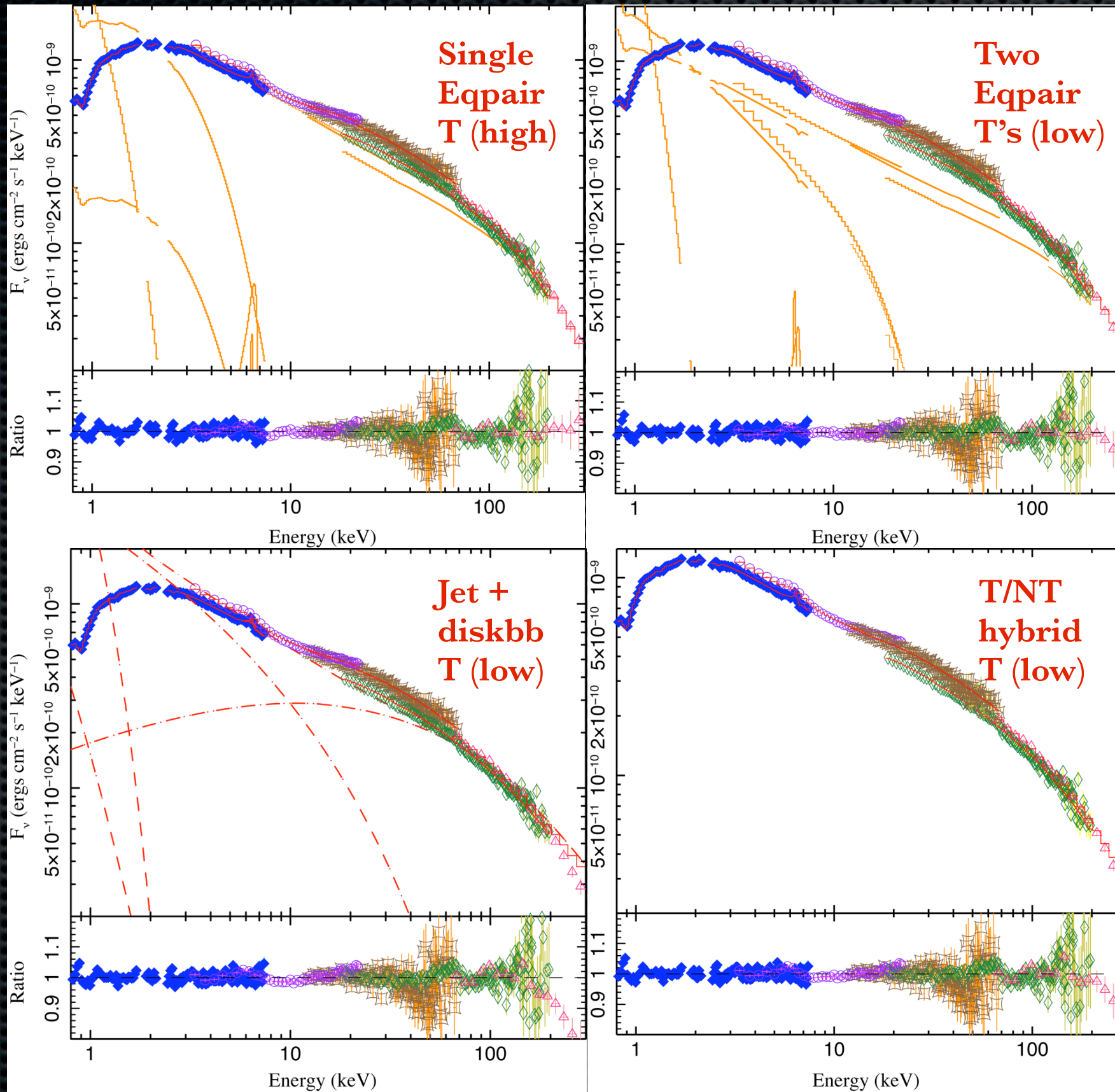
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# Breaking theoretical degeneracies:

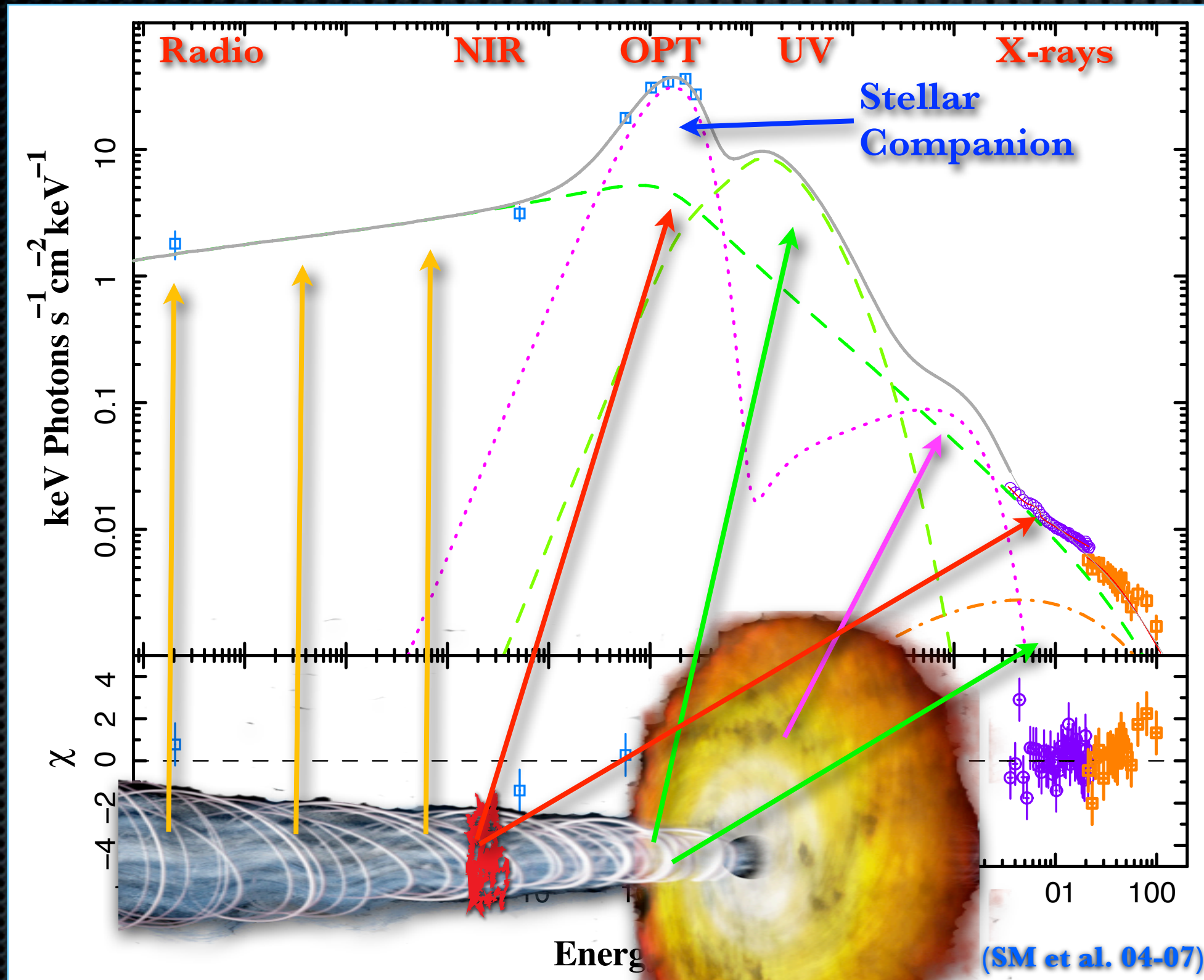
(Nowak et al. 2011)

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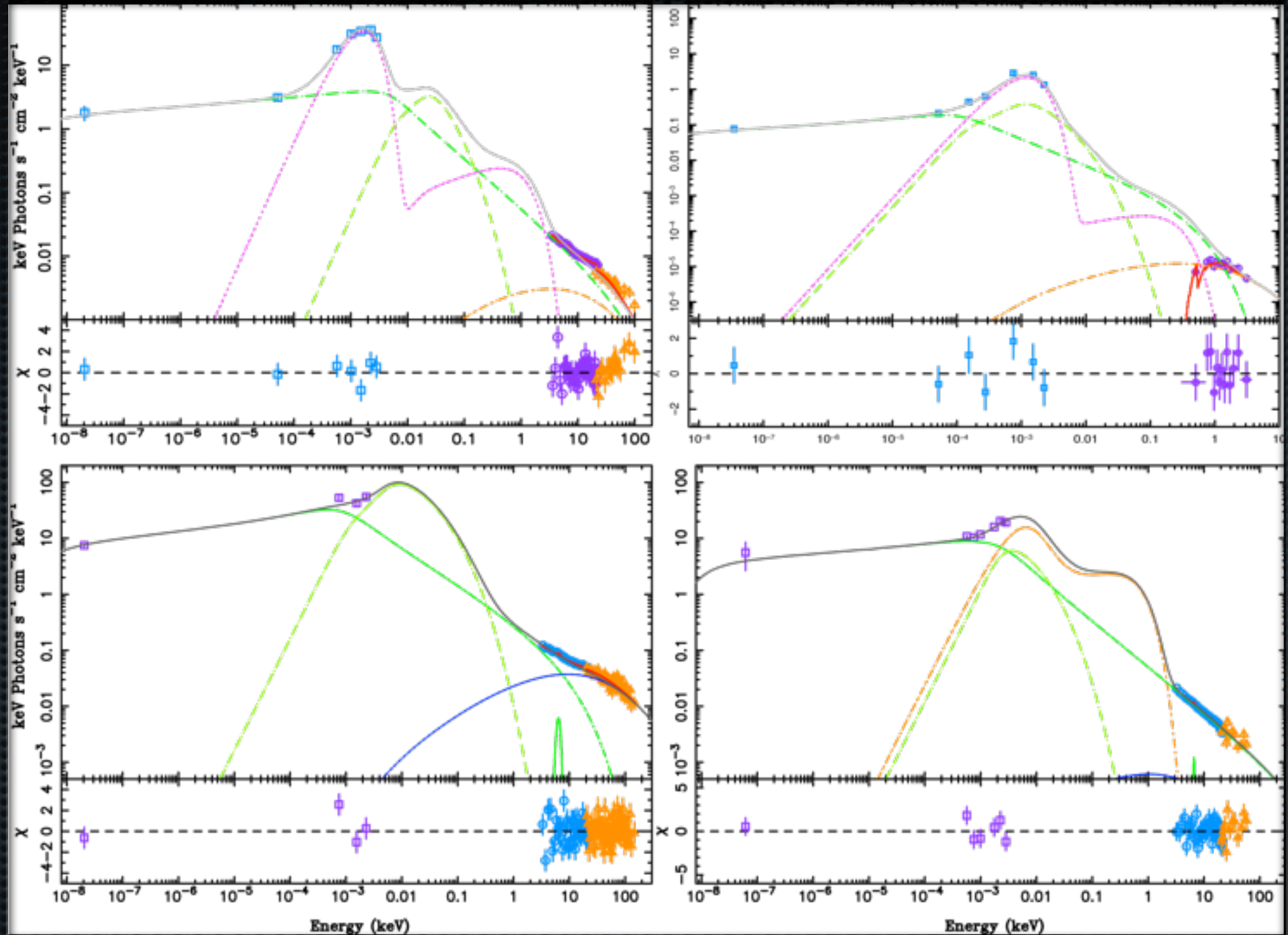


# Modeling "hard state" (steady jet) black hole XRBs





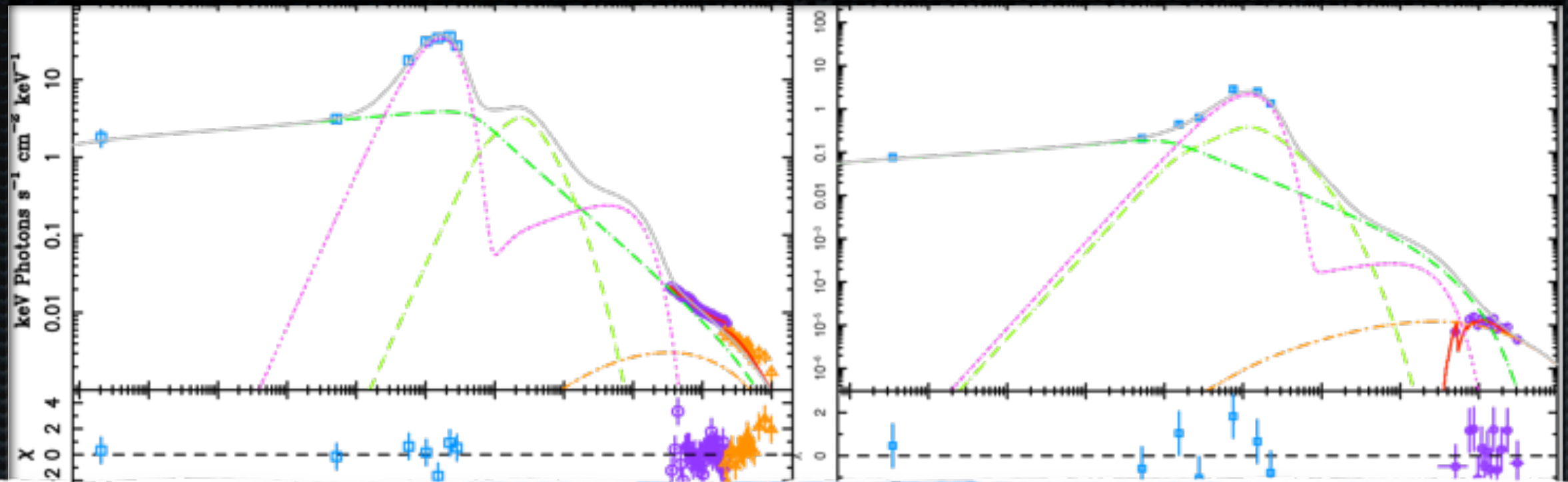
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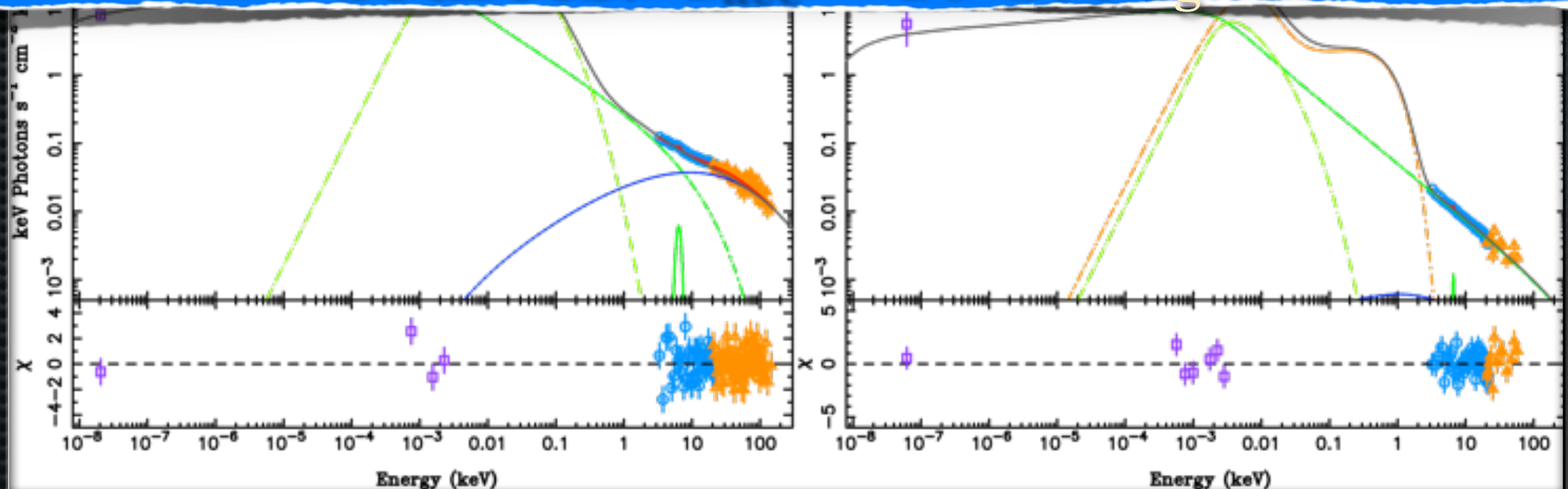
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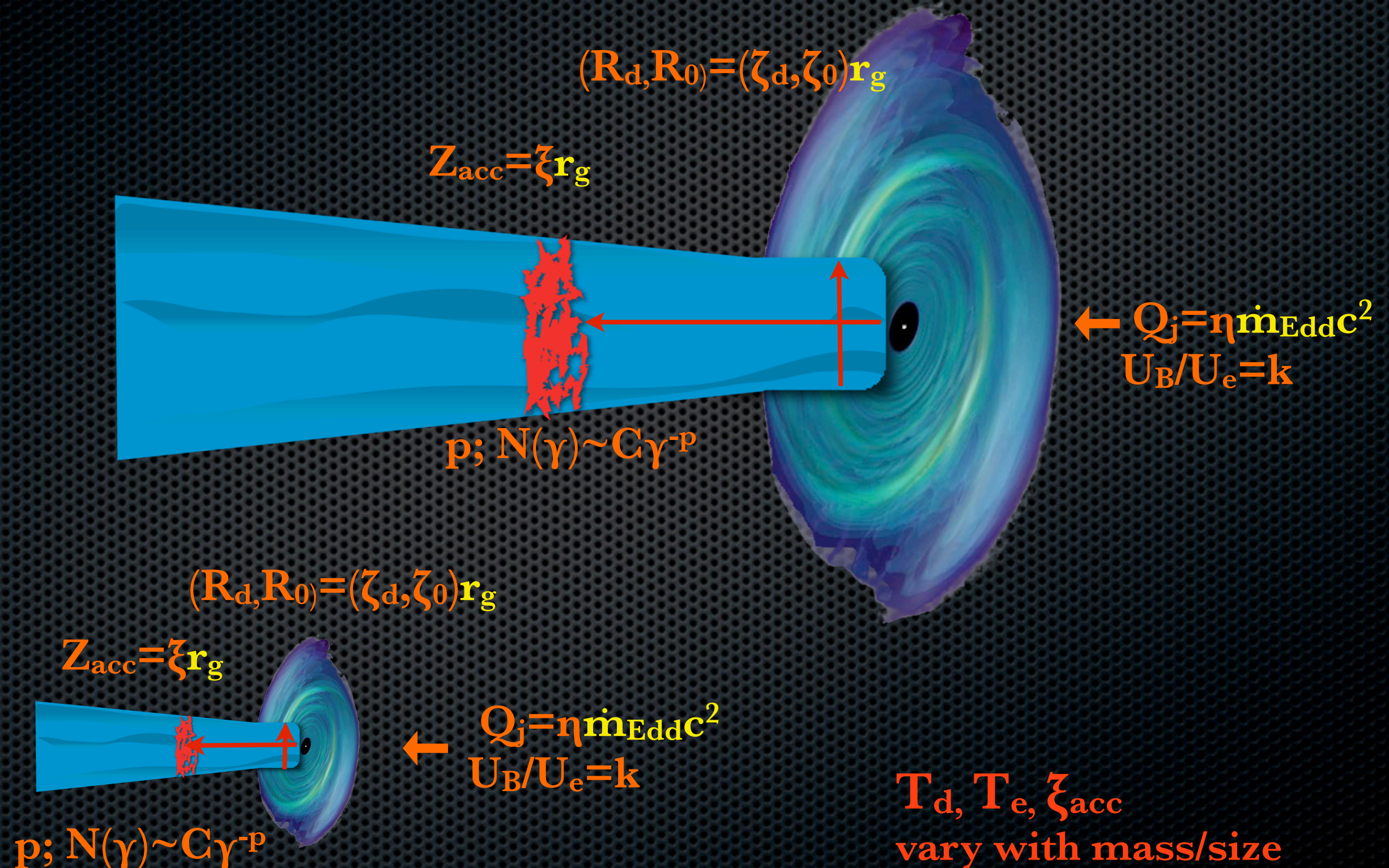
Result from modeling many hard state sources:  $z_{\text{acc}} \sim 10\text{-}100 r_g$



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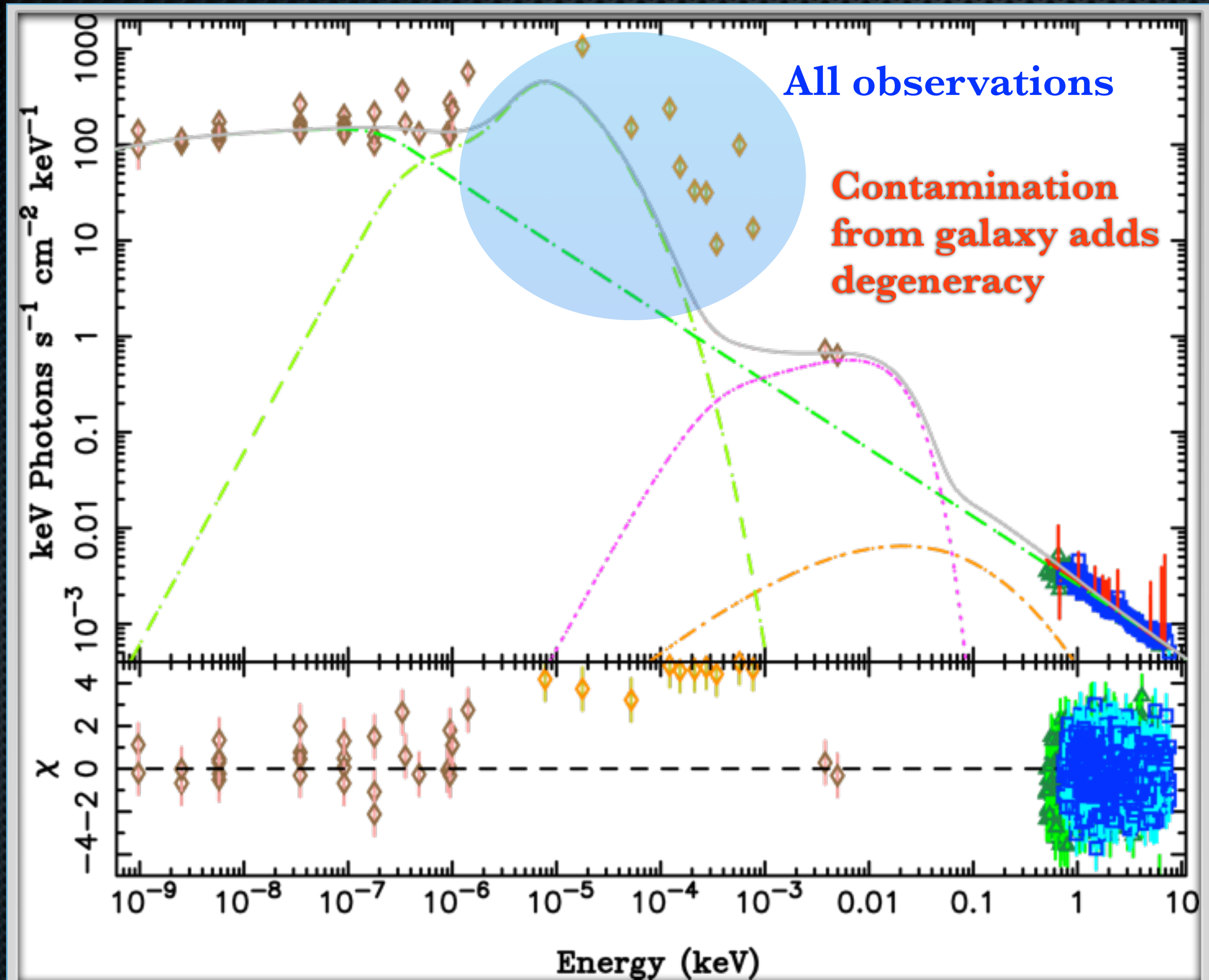


How far can mass/power scaling go? Can we fit the broadband SED of an AGN and XRB with one model??





# M81<sup>\*</sup>: seems like "scaled up" XRB in hard state...?



(SM et al. 2008)



# XRB/LLAGN model comparisons

Parameter	meaning	HS-XRBs	M81
$M (M_{\odot})$	BH mass	$\sim 10$	$7 \times 10^7$
$Q_{\text{jet}} (L_{\text{Edd}})$	norm'd power	$10^{-5} - 10^{-1}$	$10^{-5}$
$R_0 (R_g)$	radius jet base/corona	2–20	2.4
$z_{\text{acc}} (R_g)$	location of start of particle accel in jets	10–400	144
$p_{\text{elec}}$	electron PL index	2.4–2.9	2.4
PL frac	fraction of particles accelerated into PL at $z_{\text{acc}}$	$0.6^*$	$0.6^*$
$T_e (K)$	Thermal electron temp	$2-5 \times 10^{10}$	$1 \times 10^{11}$
equip ( $1/\beta$ )	magnetic/thermal gas pressure ratio	1–5	1.4

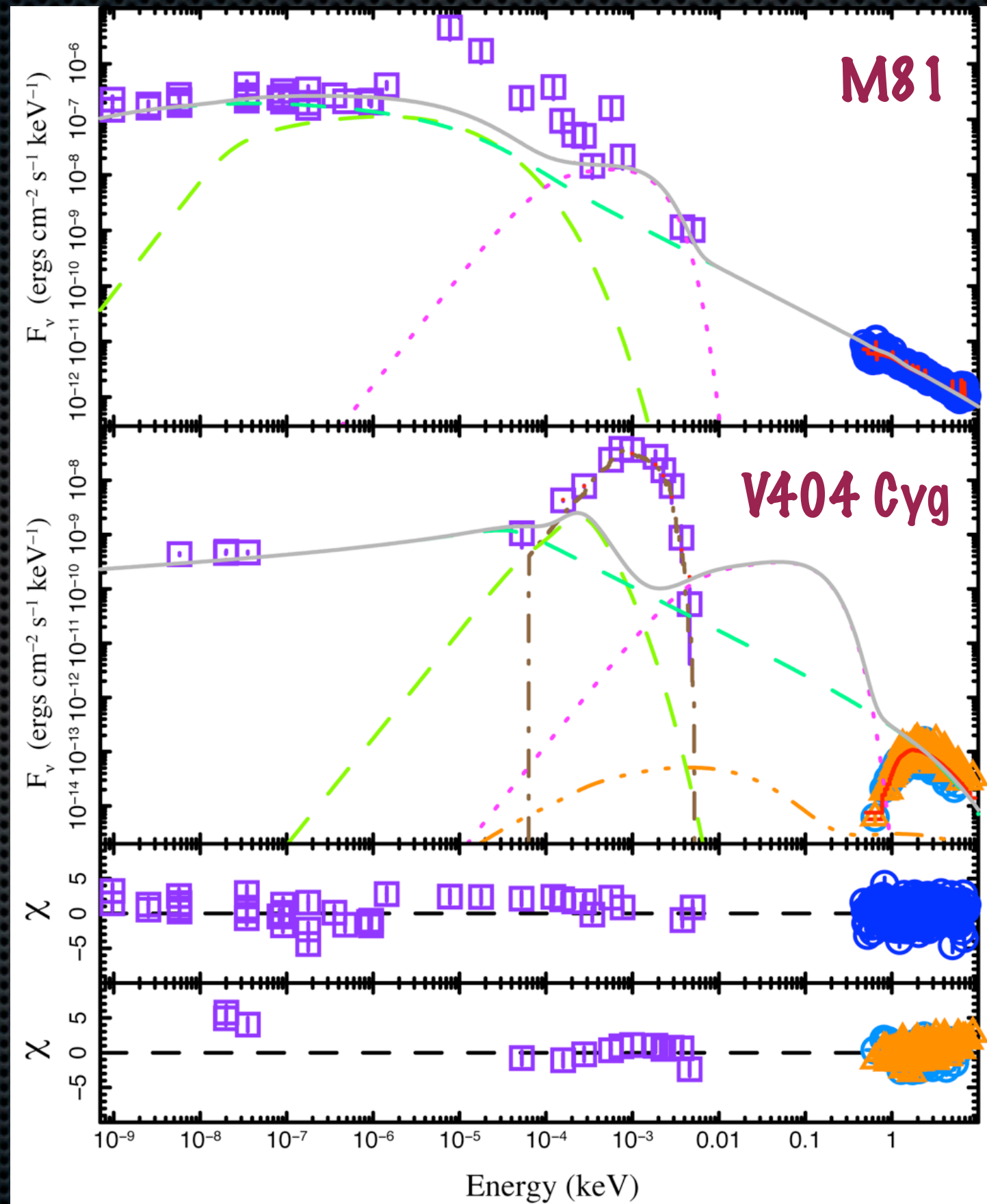
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# Mass-scaling physical models: $M81 \Leftrightarrow V404 \text{ Cyg}$ ( $L_x \sim 10^{-7} - 10^{-6} L_{\text{Edd}}$ )

## ★ Tied parameters:

- $R_{\text{in}}$  (BB disk)
- $R_0$  ("corona")
- $Z_{\text{acc}}$
- $p$  ( $e^-$  PL)
- $U_B/U_{e^-}$

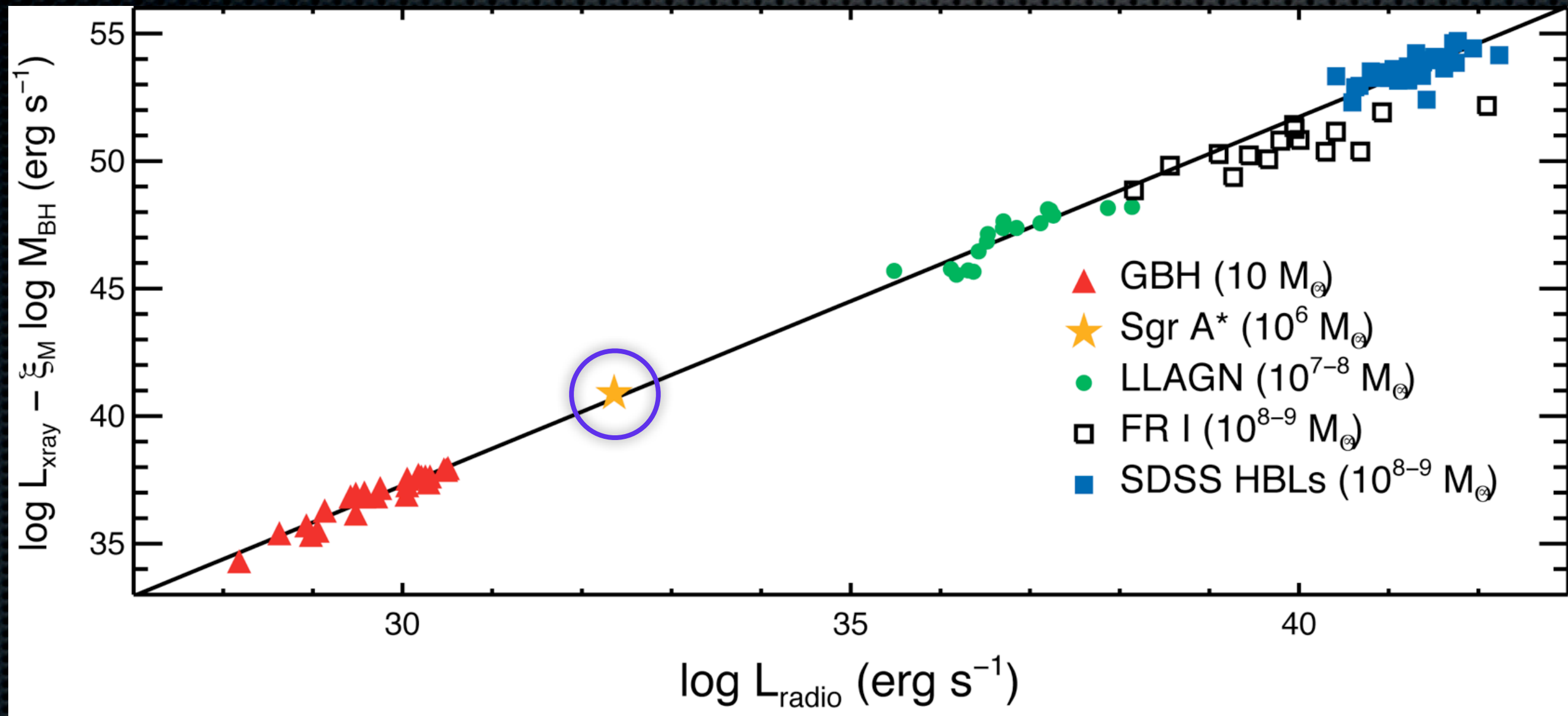


(SM, Nowak, Houck, Davis, Gallo, Hynes et al., in prep.)



# Sgr A\* in context: a weak AGN or something else?:

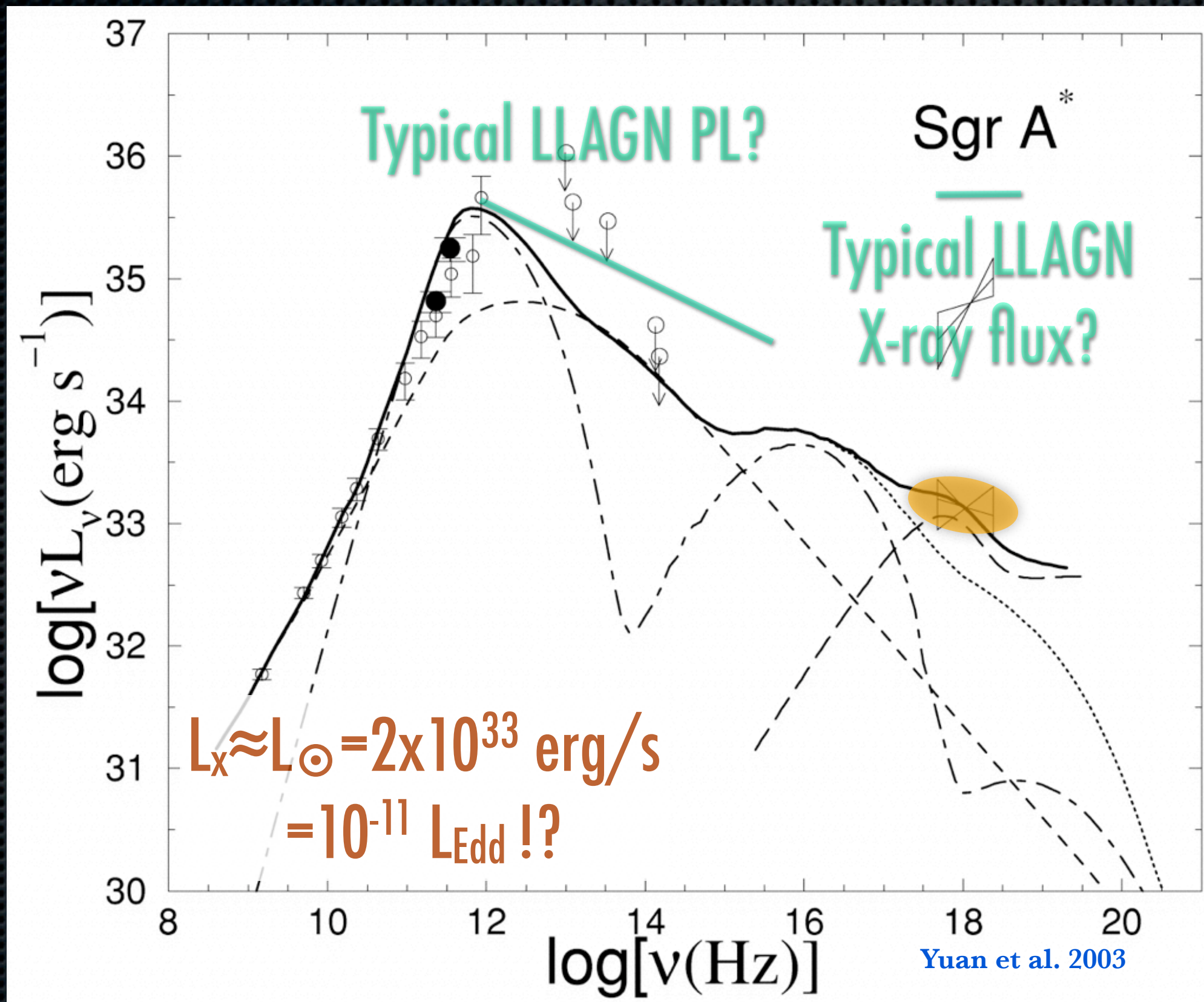
## Sgr A\* sits on the FP..but only during flares!



(SM 2005; Plotkin, SM, Kelly, Körding & Anderson 2012)



# Sgr A\* quiescent spectrum – Very weak!





# General trend: particle acceleration fizzles at very low $\dot{m}$



Parameter	HS-XRBs	M81	A0620	Sgr A*
$M (M_{\odot})$	$\sim 10$	$7 \times 10^7$	$\sim 10$	$4 \times 10^6$
$Q_{\text{jet}} (L_{\text{Edd}})$	$10^{-5} - 10^{-1}$	$10^{-5}$	$10^{-7}$	$10^{-9}$
$R_0 (R_g)$	2–20	2.4	2–7	2.5
$z_{\text{acc}} (R_g)$	10–400	144	1250	$> 10^4$
$p_{\text{elec}}$	2.4–2.9	2.4	3.4	$> 3.8$
PL frac	$0.6^*$	$0.6^*$	$< 0.6$	$< 0.01$
$T_e (K)$	$2 - 5 \times 10^{10}$	$1 \times 10^{11}$	$2 \times 10^{10}$	$1 \times 10^{11}$
equip ( $1/\beta$ )	1–5	1.4	1.5	$> 10$

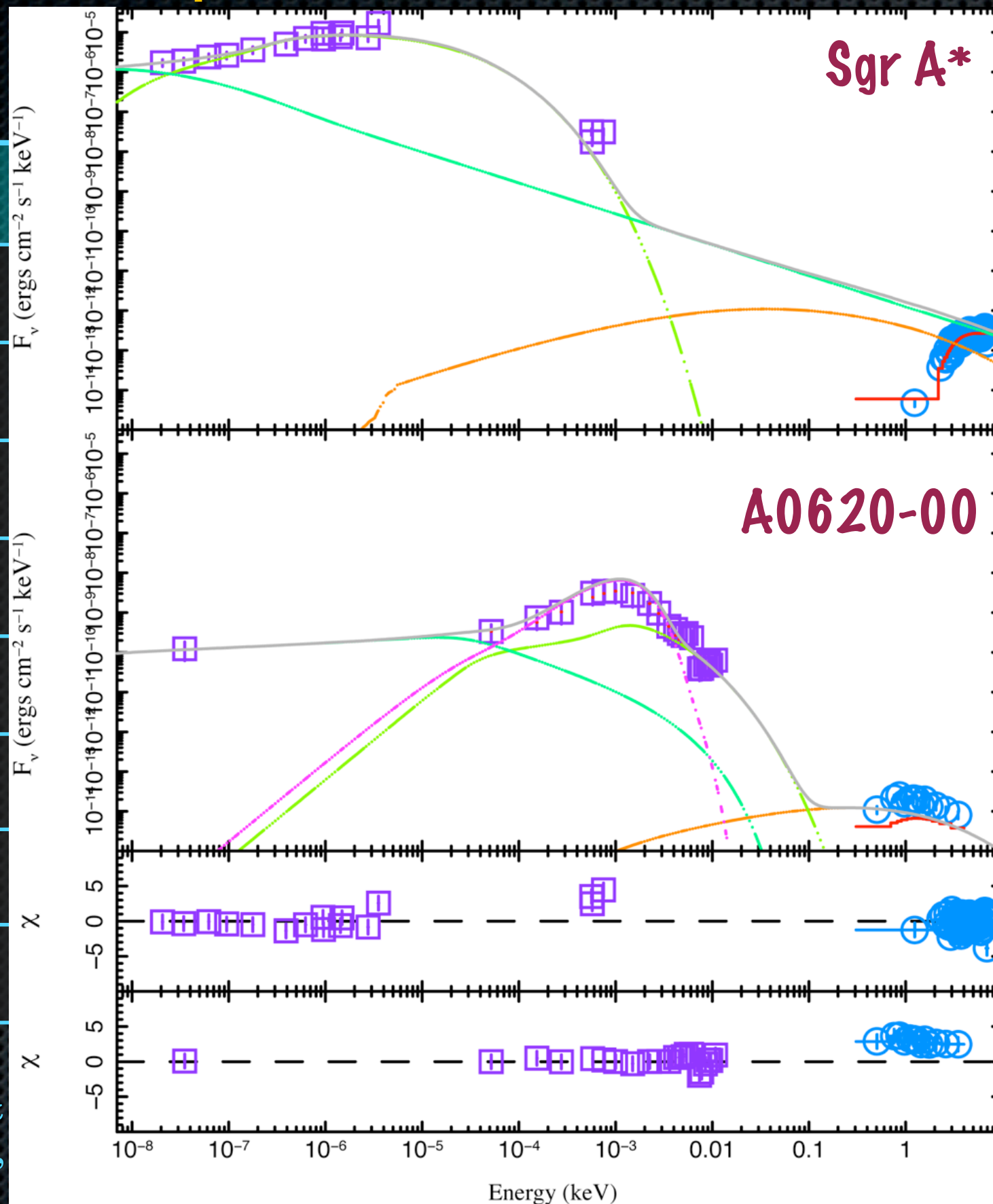
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Sgr A\*

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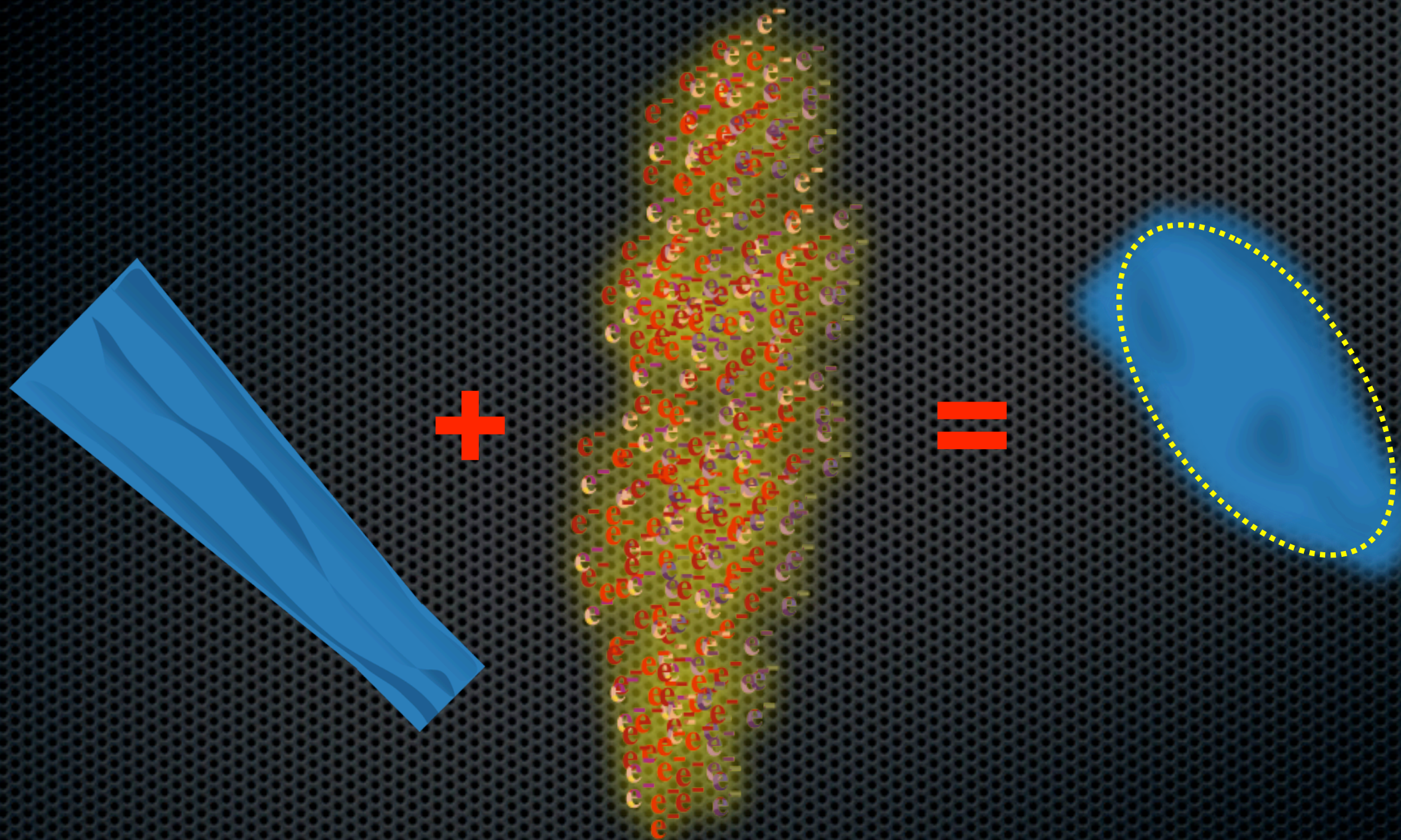
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& Falcke 2007,  
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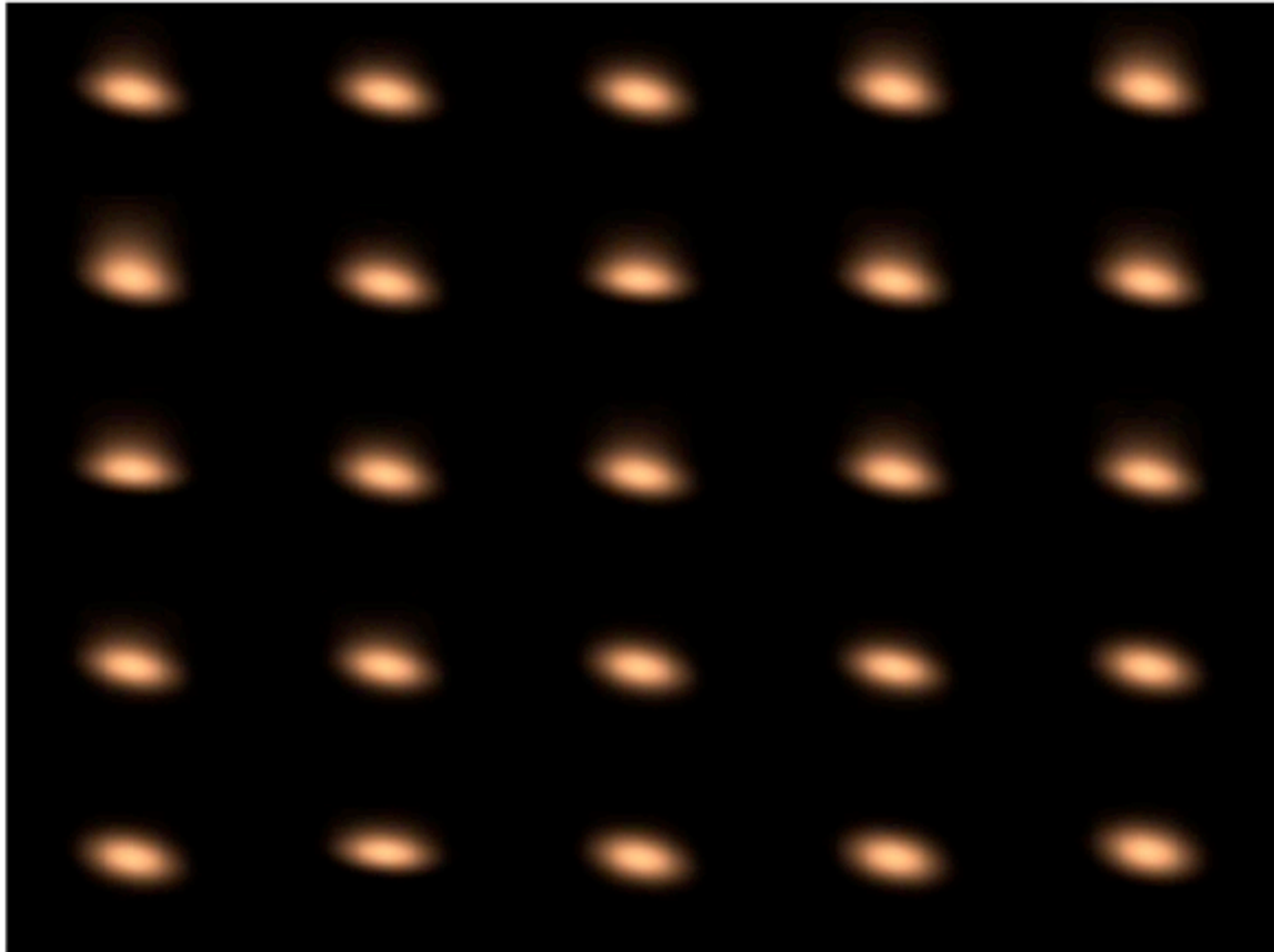
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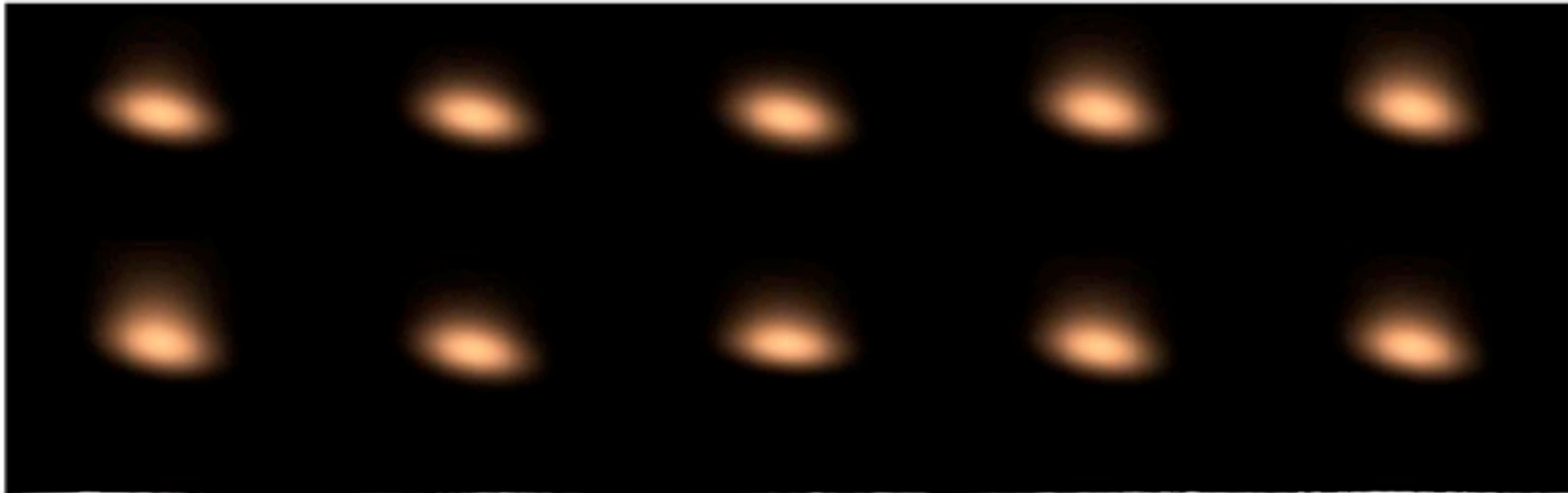
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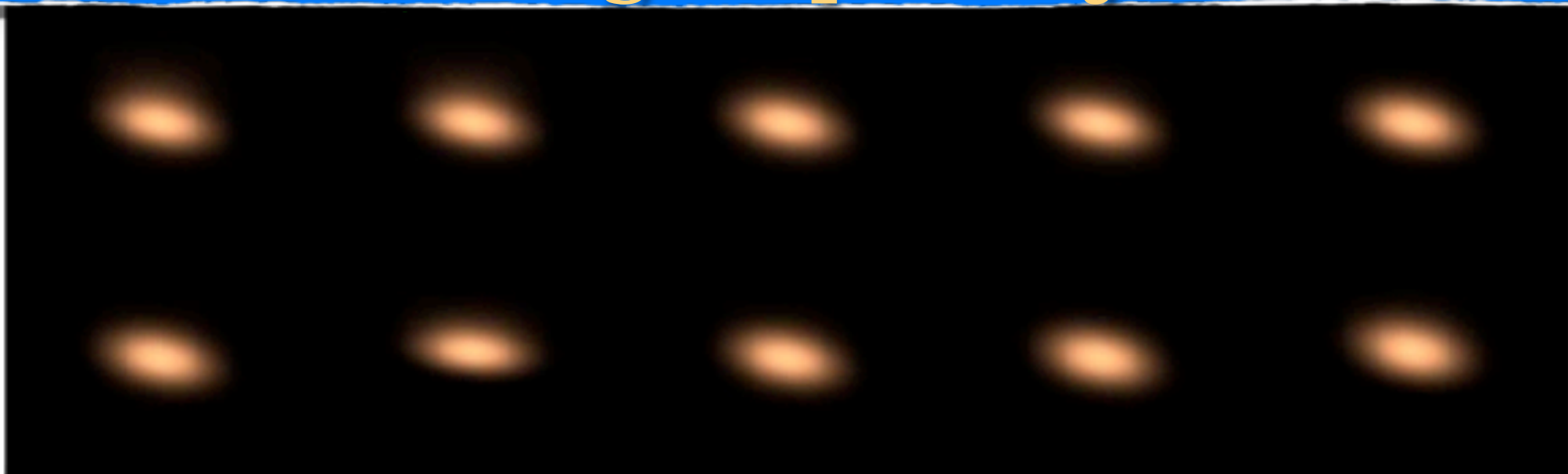
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Could some kind of particle acceleration event “light up” the jets??

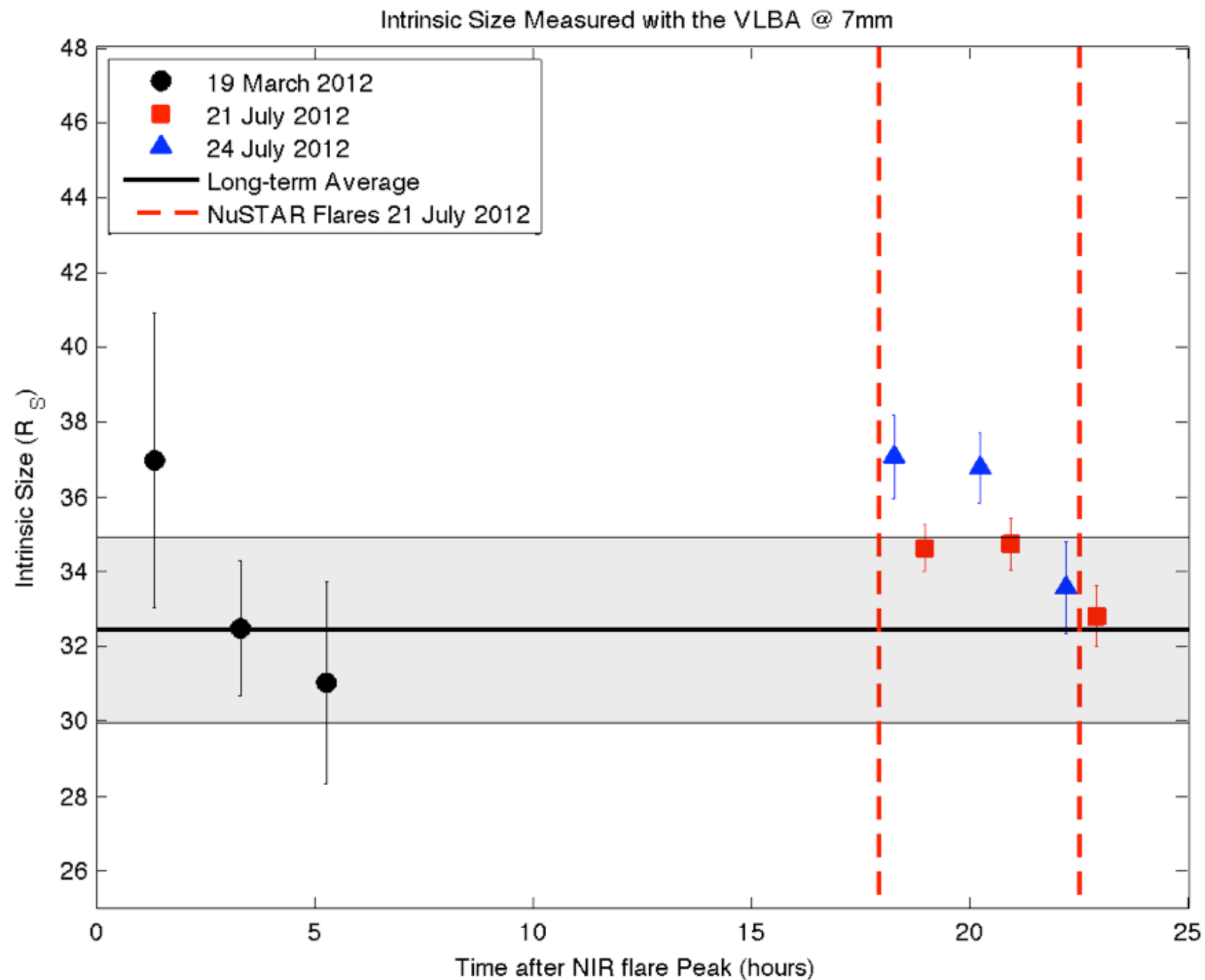


(SM, Bower & Falcke 2007)



# What might flares trigger for jets?

## VLBA observations triggered from IR



(Bower, SM, et al., subm.)



**Prediction: the next push in  
constraining the MHD models of jets,  
and jet/disk connections will be self-  
consistent determinations of the  
acceleration zone, and interpretation  
of VLBI observations, in the context  
of semi-analytical models and  
GRMHD simulations**



# Summary & Outlook

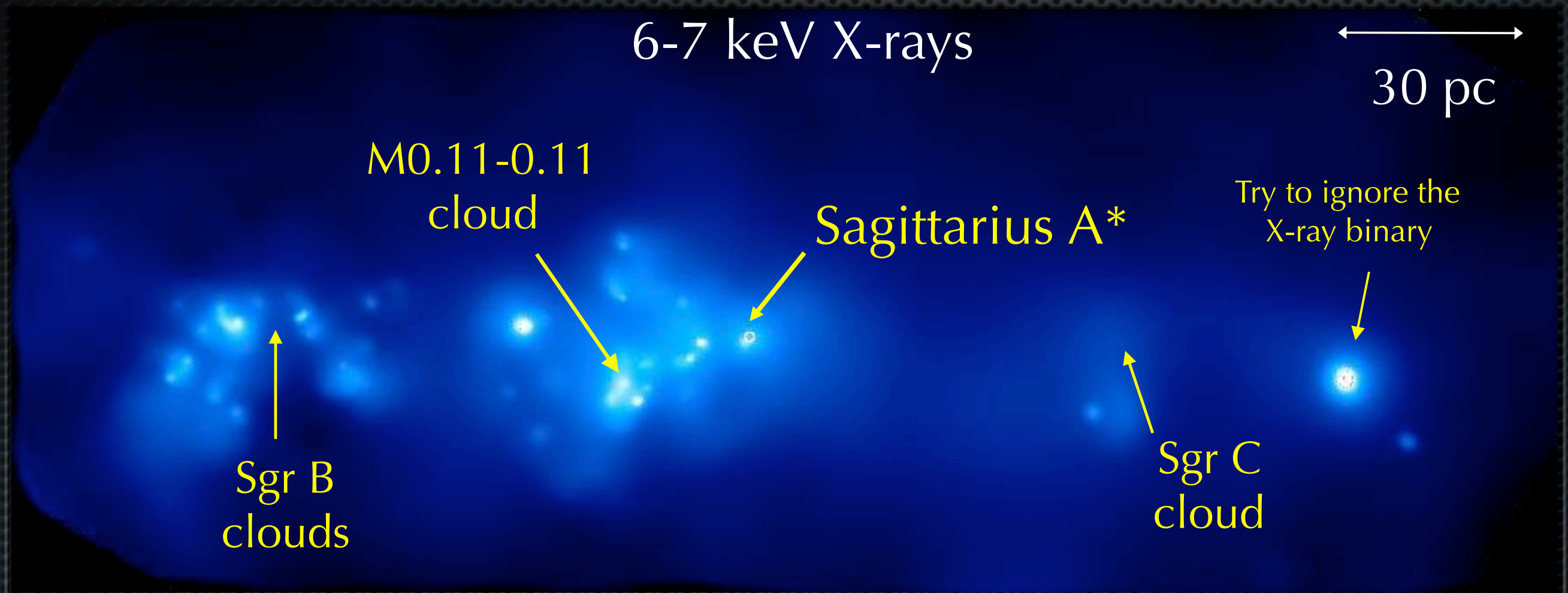
- ★ XRBs are key for jet studies at all scales: **predictable scaling of accretion physics with BH mass, realtime evolution offers a view of longterm processes in AGN** (“Fundamental Plane” is one example)
- ★ XRBs reveal the coupling between jet powering and particle acceleration: **we see buildup from launch to onset of particle distribution, can localize acceleration regions** ➡ **key constraints for physical models**
- ★ XRB jets contribute to Galactic CR population: **X-ray and  $\gamma$ -ray flares, polarized soft  $\gamma$ -rays, jet break constraints** ➡ **TeV-PeV CRs**
- ★ Jet power vs. spin: **It’s complicated! Roll of spin not yet isolated from “astrophysics”**
- ★ Outlook:
  - ➡ **Improved models: new MHD models/simulations explore links between accretion inflow, jet dynamics and particle acceleration**
  - ➡ **New facilities: Era of “transient factories”: LOFAR/MeerKAT/ASKAP/LSST, NuSTAR, CTA**
  - ➡ **XRB jet feedback: ionization, Galactic/low-energy cosmic rays** ➡ **burgeoning field: with transient monitoring studies paves the way towards understanding the effect on the Galaxy/star formation**



# Extra slides



# Was Sgr A\* more active in the past?



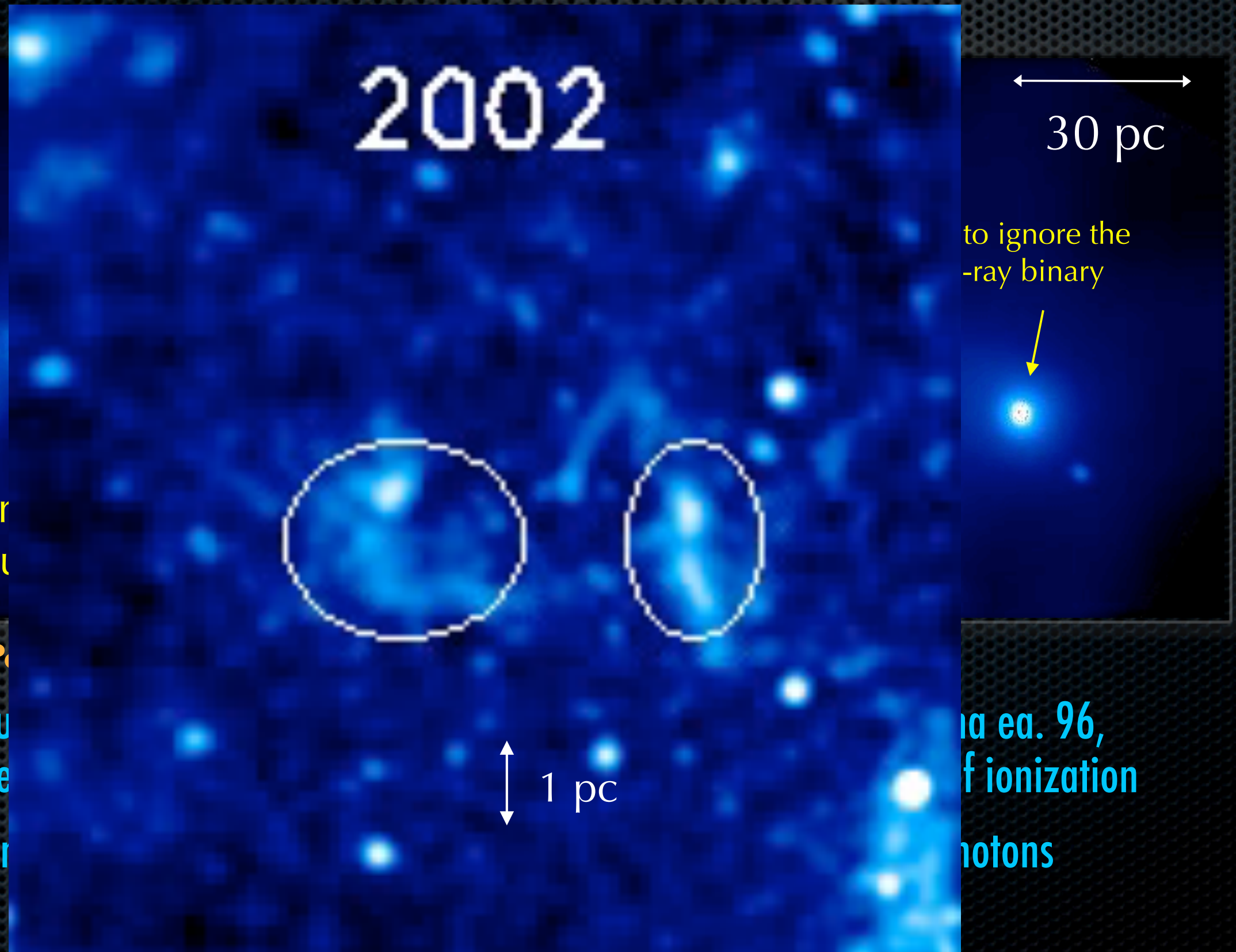
(Muno et al. , Ponti et al. etc.)

- ▶ Has been suggested that the best source is prior activity of Sgr A\* (Koyama et al. 96, Murakami et al. 00, Revnivtsev et al. 04) but some controversy about source of ionization
- ▶ Chandra can actually resolve the "wave" of fluorescence, must be hard photons

Implies  $L \leq 10^{39}$  erg/s outburst lasting  $\sim 10$  yrs, about 100 years ago!

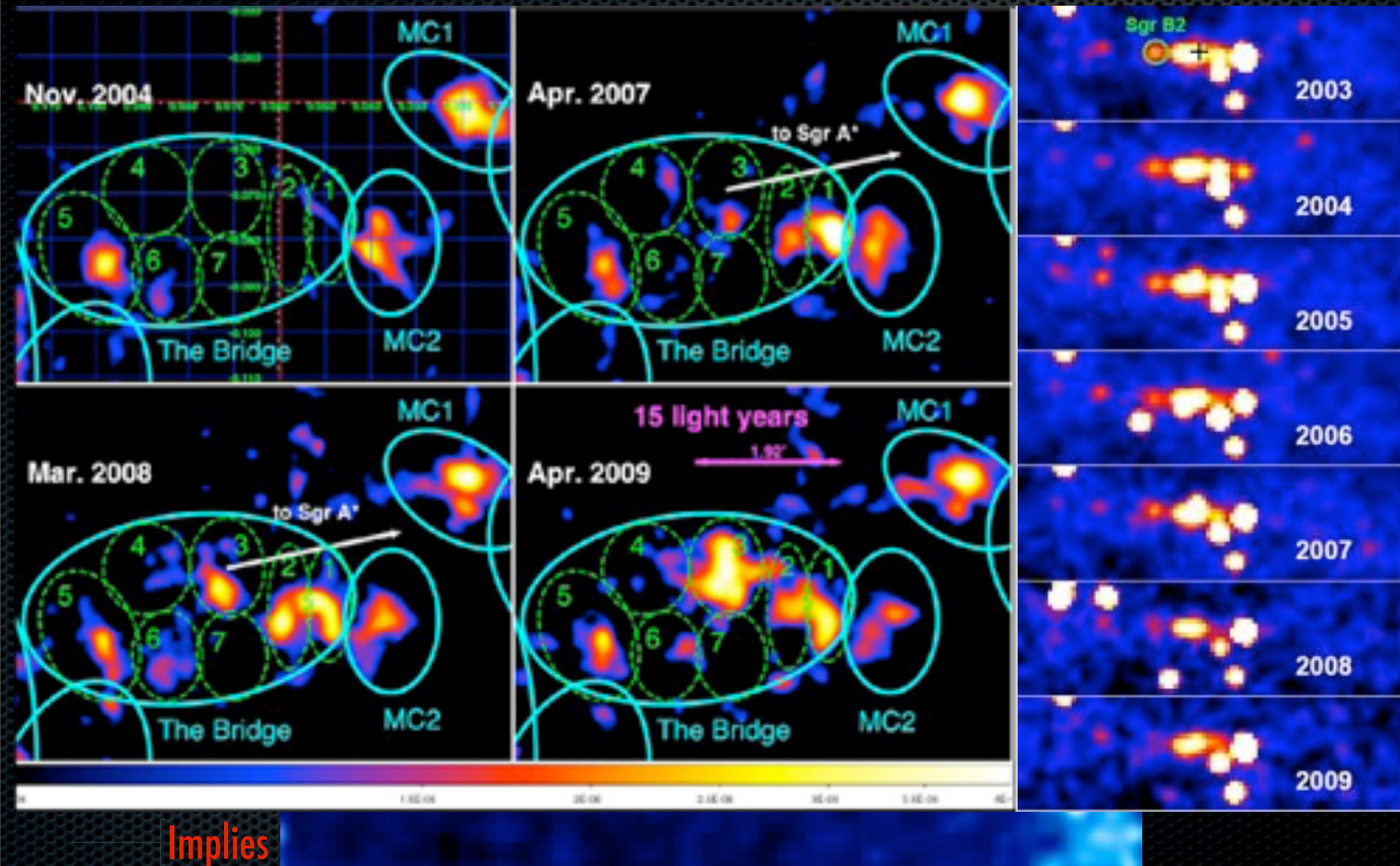


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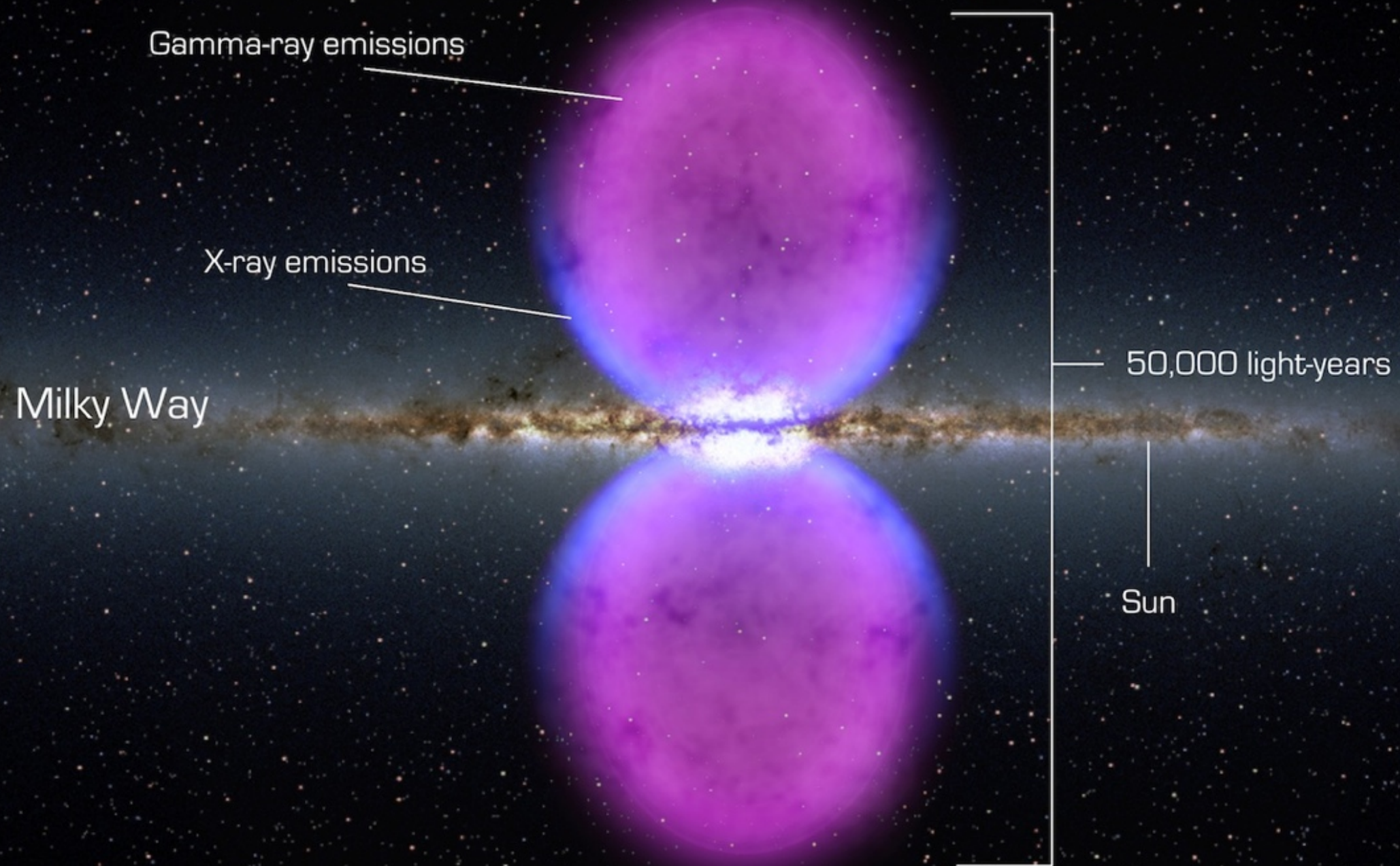


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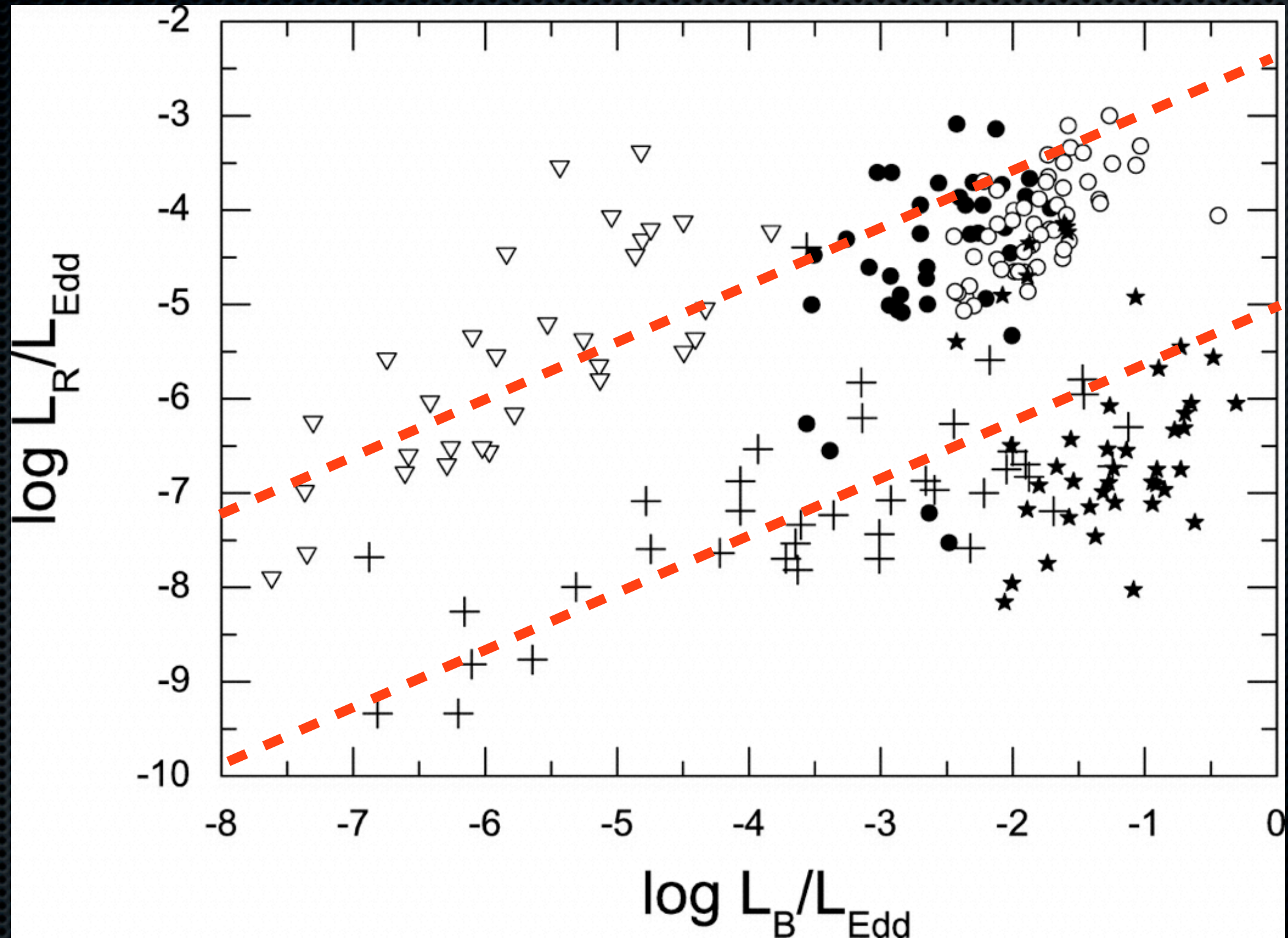


NASA/Fermi

(Morris, et al.)



# Jet power: RL/RQ dichotomy in AGN populations?

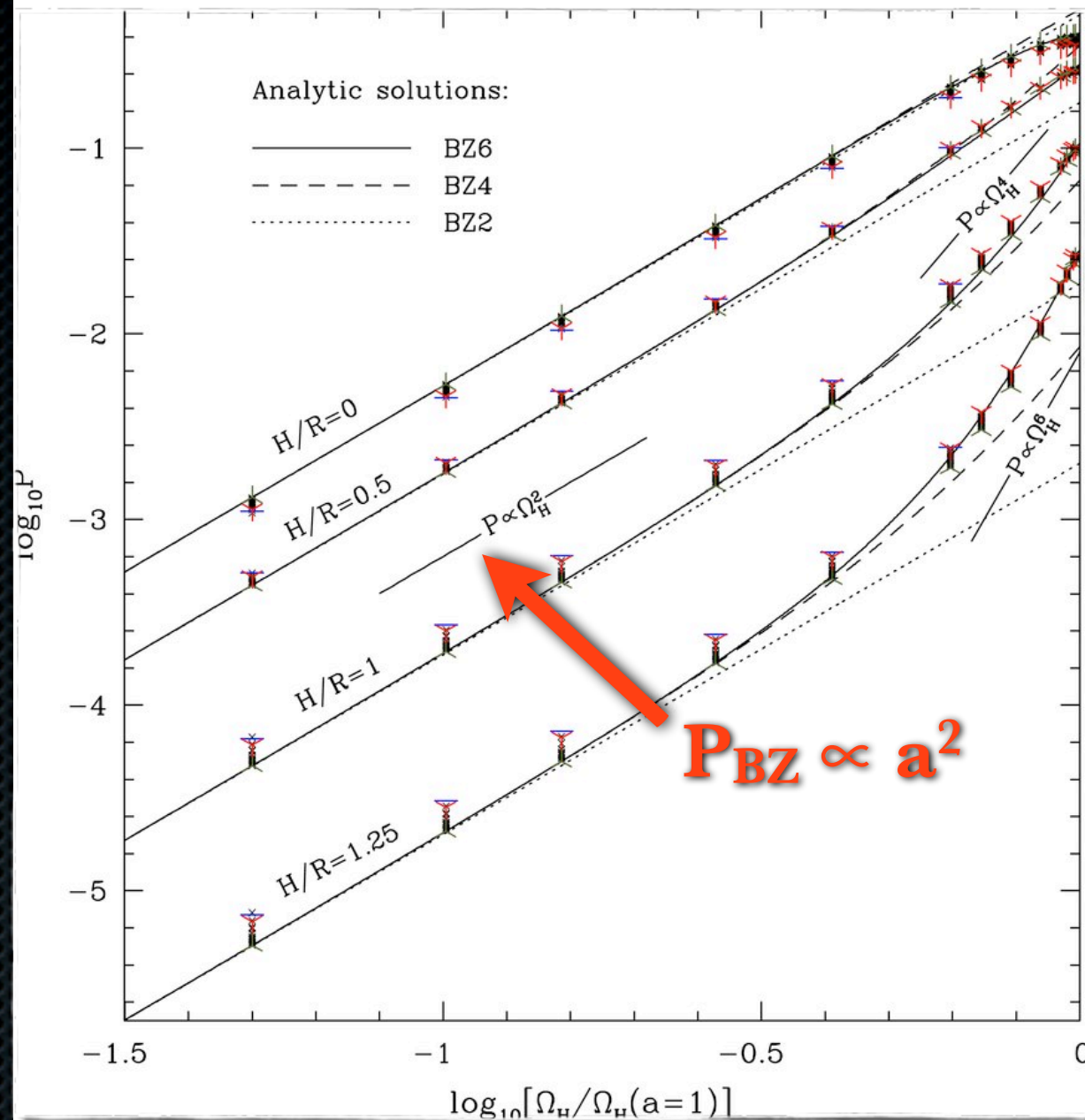


(Sikora, Stawarz & Lasota 2007)

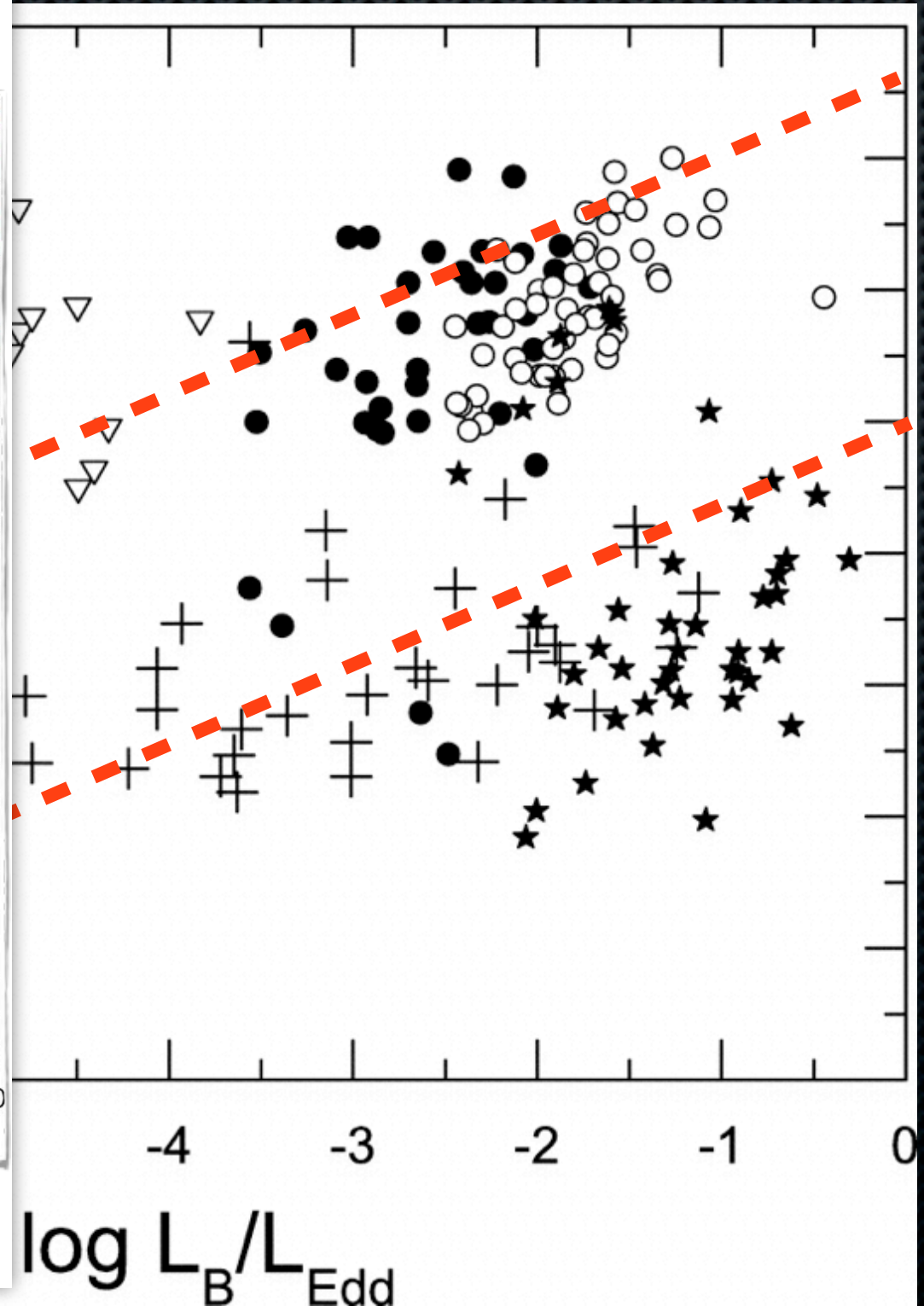


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## Spin-energy extraction from BH



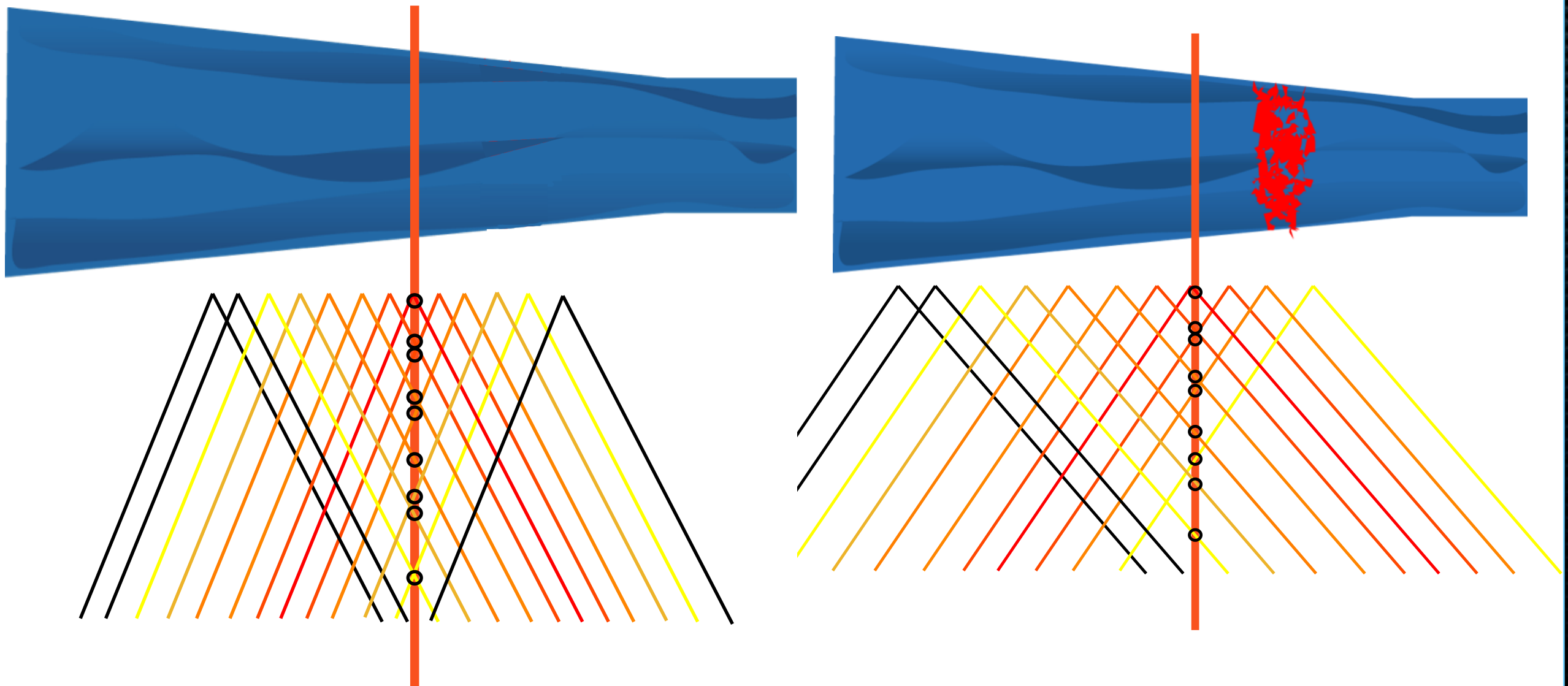
(Tchekhovskoy, Narayan & McKinney 2010)



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