

BLACK HOLES IN THE UNIVERSE
&
THE QUEST FOR MICROQUASARS

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THE IDEA OF “BLACK HOLE”

Michell: in 1783, in the context of the classical concept of gravitation and corpuscular theory of light, proposed the existence of “**bodies from which light could not arrive at us**”.



Could be detected in stellar binary systems

Laplace:

• “**Corps obscurs**” en aussi grand nombre que les étoiles

• “Il est possible que **les plus grands corps de l’univers, soient par cela même, invisibles.**”

⇒ **Supermassive Black Holes**

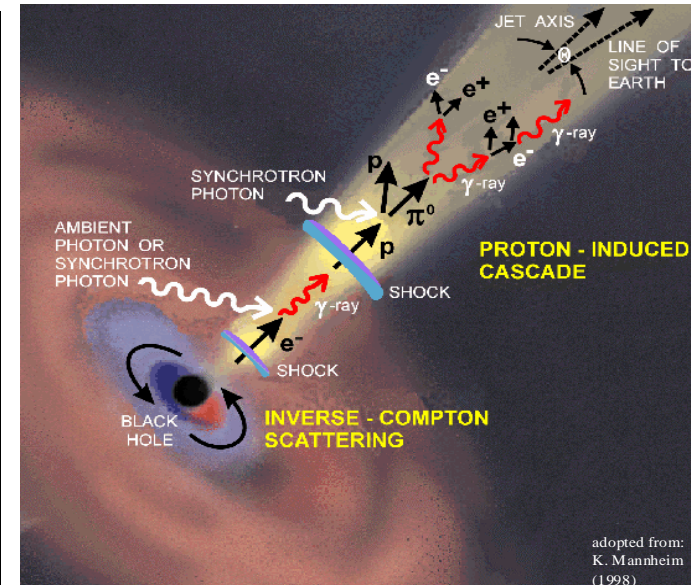
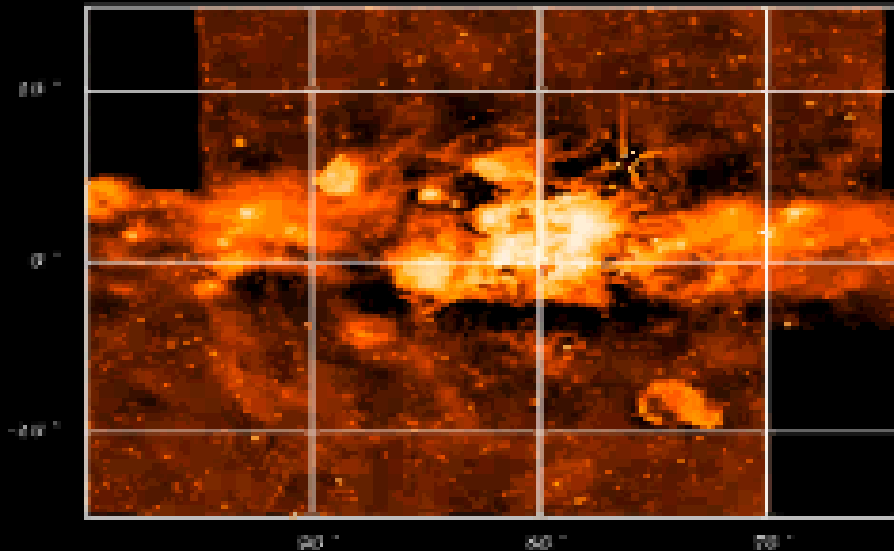
The idea of “black hole” was forgotten for ~ 140 yr



QUASARS & RADIO-GALAXIES

SINCE THE 1970's THE TIME VARIABILITY IN QUASARS & RELATIVISTIC JETS IN RADIO GALAXIES **SUGGESTED** THE EXISTENCE OF SUPERMASSIVE BHs

Cygnus-Region 100-m-Radioteleskop 1.4 GHz



VLBI: Krichbaum et al. (1999)

DYNAMIC EVIDENCES (MASS) OF SUPER-MASSIVE BLACK HOLES

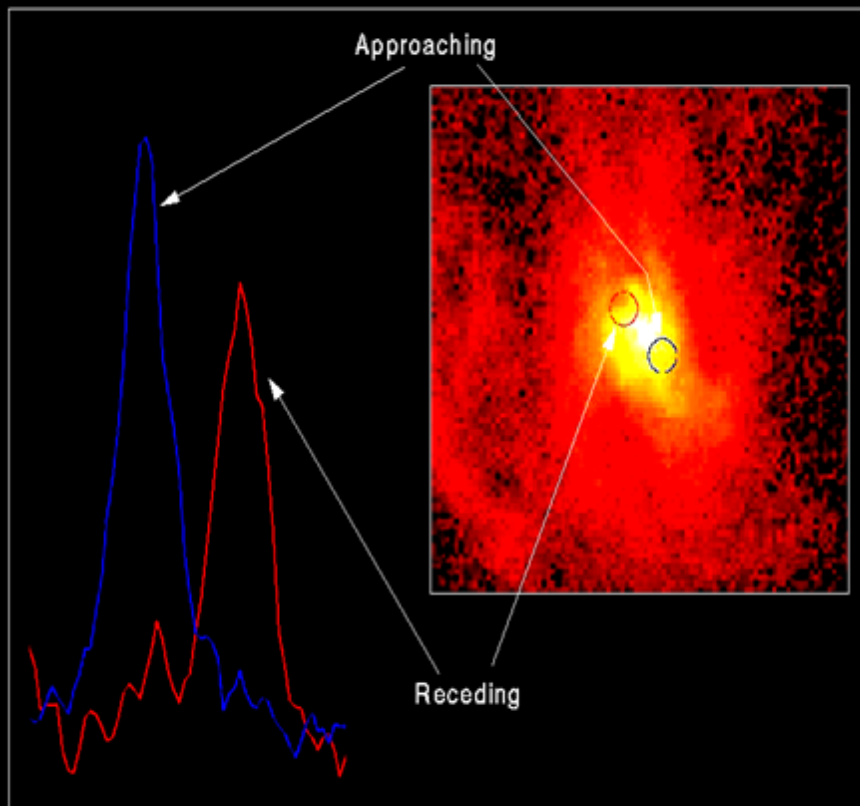
Kinematics of the H_α line with HST

$$\Rightarrow M_{\text{BH}} \sim 10^8 M_\odot \text{ in M 87}$$

H_2O masers with VLBA

$$\Rightarrow M_{\text{BH}} \sim 10^7 M_\odot \text{ in NGC 4258}$$

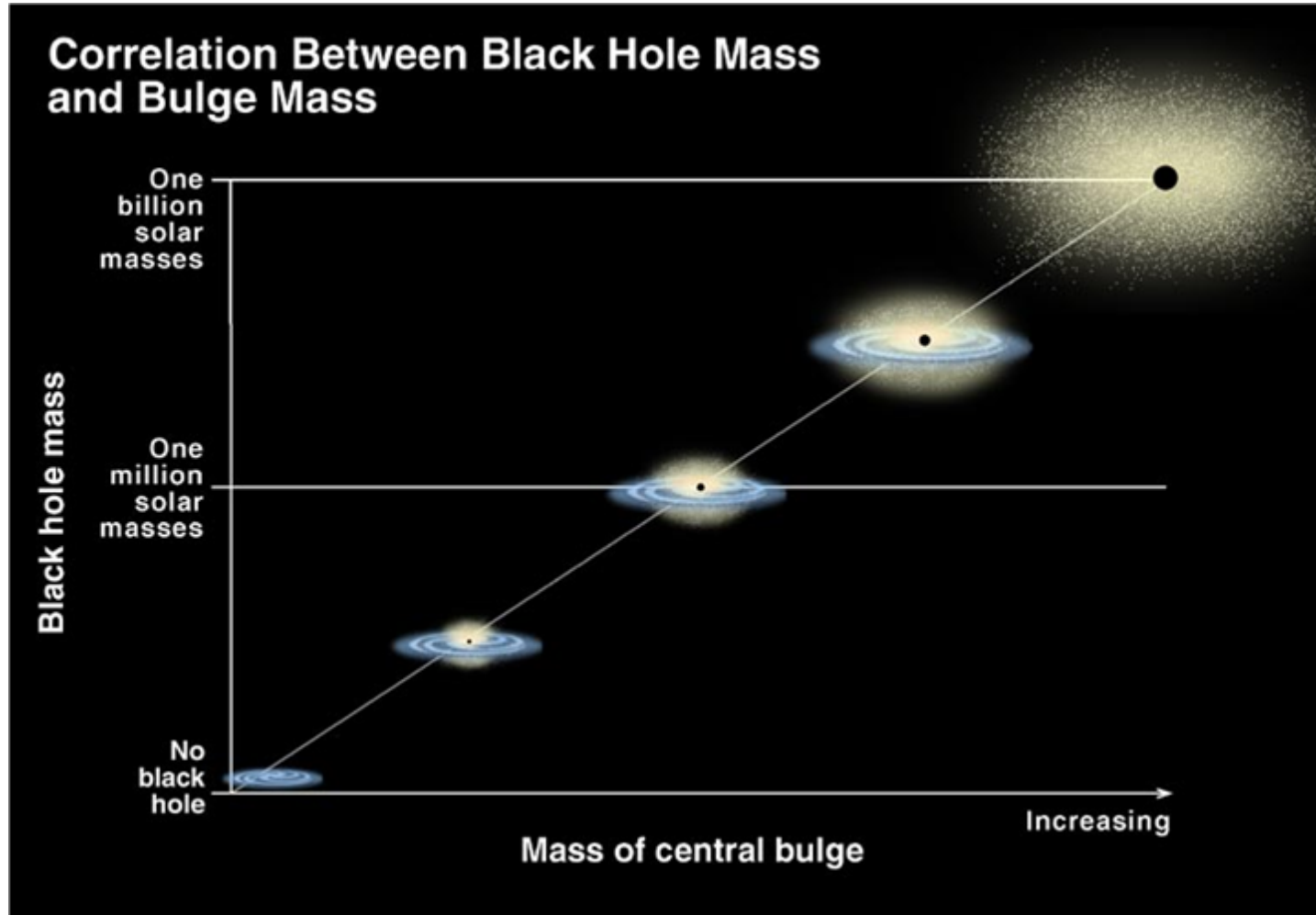
Spectrum of Gas Disk in Active Galaxy M87



Hubble Space Telescope • Faint Object Spectrograph



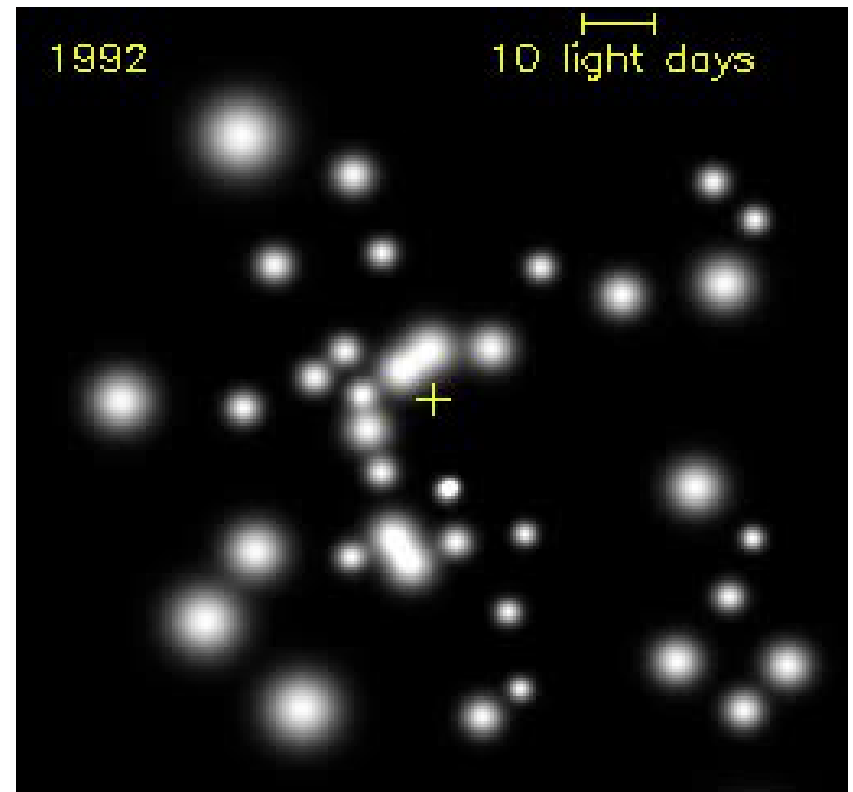
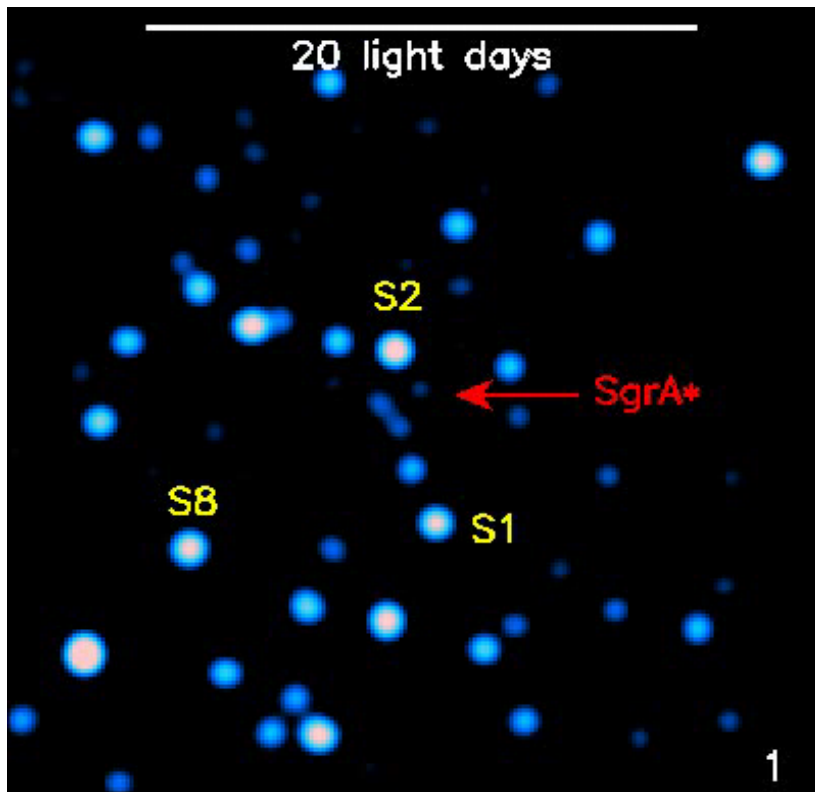
MASSIVE GALAXIES HOST SUPERMASSIVE BLACK HOLES



•HOW ARE SUPERMASSIVE BLACK HOLES FORMED ?

SUPERMASSIVE BLACK HOLE AT THE GALACTIC CENTRE

- The black hole of ~4 million solar masses at the Galactic Center
- Infrared monitoring with adaptive optics (Genzel et al., 2008)

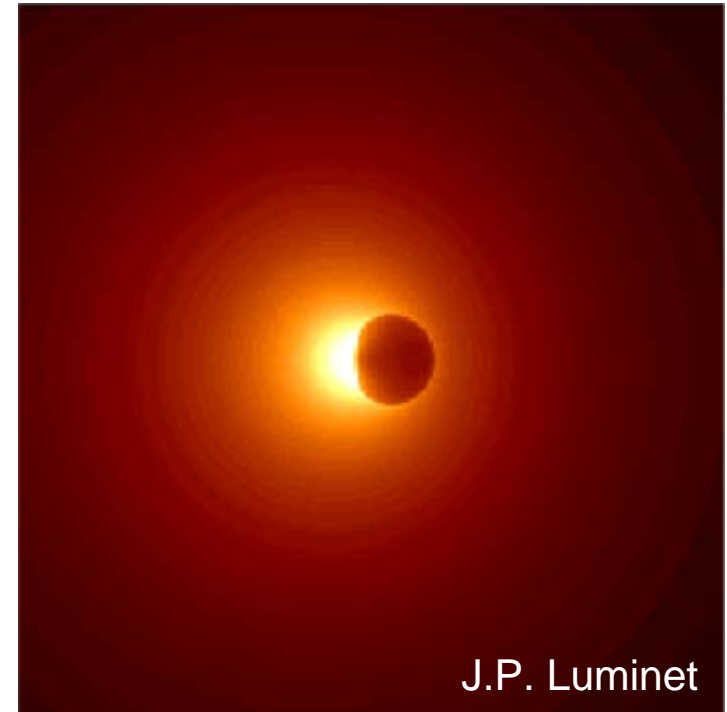


- How could a cluster of massive stars $< 10^7$ yr old exist in such environment ?
- Still without direct evidence of the event horizon

CAN WE OBTAIN A DIRECT IMAGE OF THE BLACK HOLE AT THE GALACTIC CENTER ?

“HORIZON”: DEFINING CONCEPT OF BLACK HOLE

- Dark circle caused by radiation from sources behind that are being swallowed by the event horizon.
- Bright ring due to rays deflected by BH
- Shadow is off-centre due to flung of photons in the direction of BHs' rotation

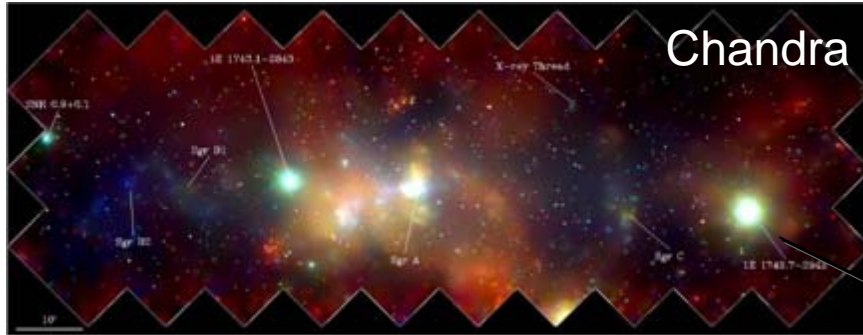


- $4 \times 10^6 M_{\odot}$ confined in a region enclosed by the orbit of the Earth
- $D = 30 \mu\text{arcsec}$ to be imaged with VLBI at sub-millimeter or X-rays

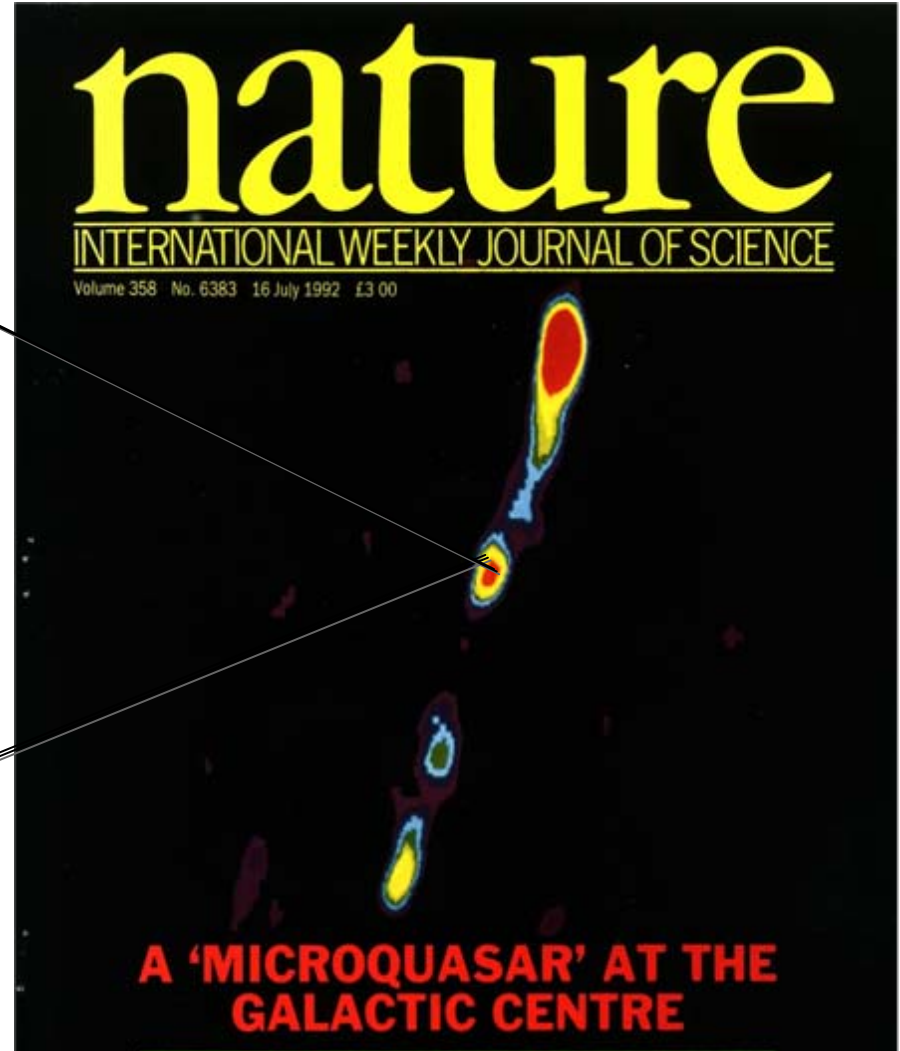
Is this BH the annihilation source of e^+e^- at 511 keV?

A "MICROQUASAR" AT THE GALACTIC CENTRE REGION

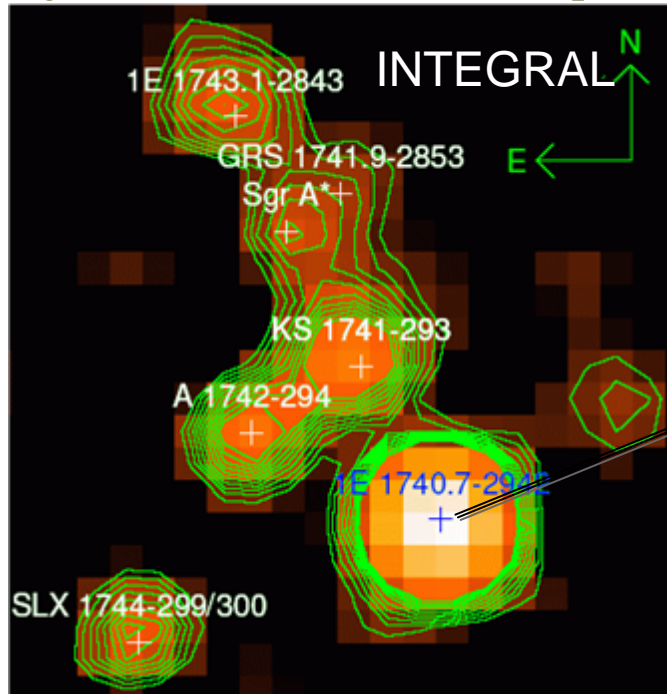
Wang et al. ApJ 2002



Mirabel, Rodríguez, Paul, Cordier, Lebrun (1992)



Belanger, Goldwurm, Goldoni, ApJ 2003



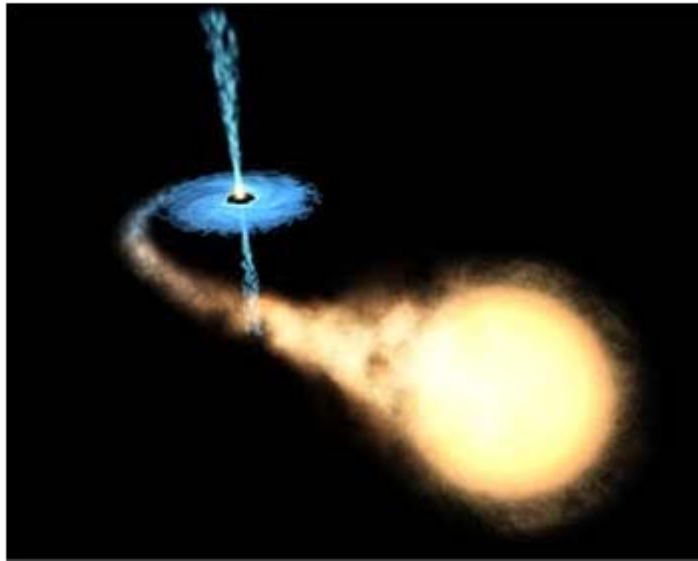
IR counterpart not identified

Seven international workshops.
Next as IAU Symp in BsAs (2010)

STELLAR-MASS BLACK HOLES

DISCOVERED AS X-RAY SOURCES

(Giacconi, 1962...Nobel Prize in 2002)



IN BINARY STELLAR SYSTEMS:

as predicted by Michell (1783)

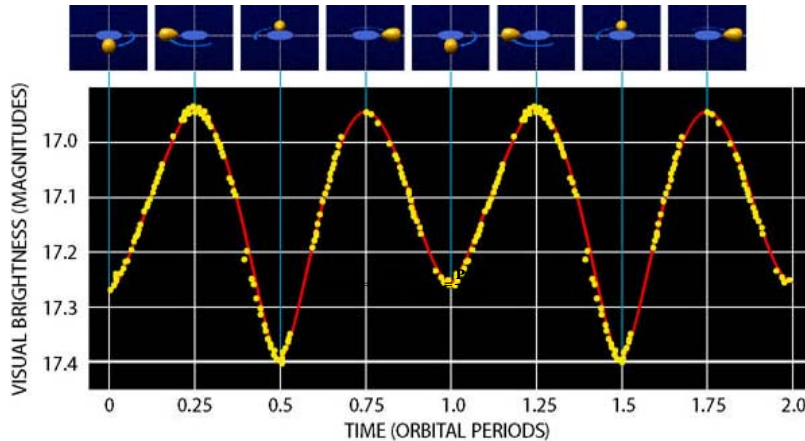
$M > 3 M_{\odot} \Rightarrow$ BLACK HOLE

- ~30 BHs known in binaries and other 20 additional candidates

- Estimated population in the Galaxy $\sim 3 \times 10^8 \Rightarrow$

- Assuming $\sim 10 M_{\odot}$ this form of dark mass is $\sim 4\%$ of total baryonic mass of the Galaxy

- Outweighs the supermassive black hole at Galactic Centre by a factor of 10^3



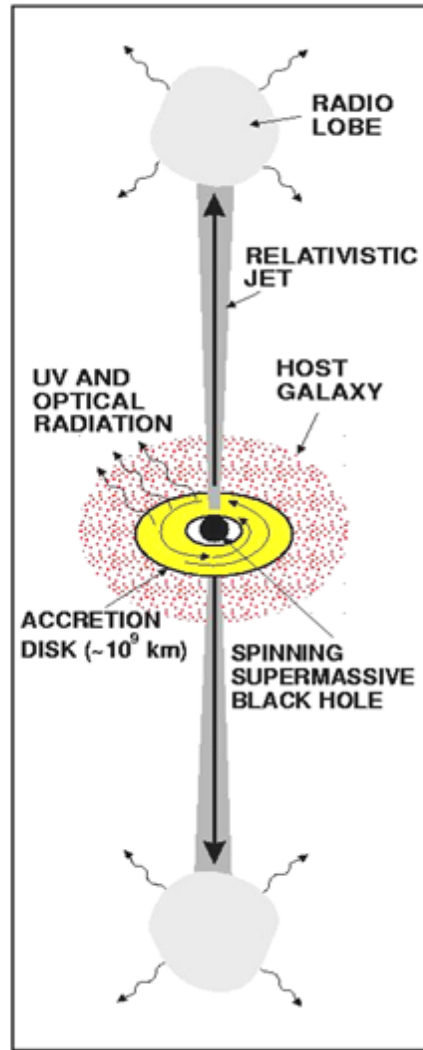
Fonction de masse: $f_x(M) = \frac{M_n^3 \sin^3 i}{(M_n + M_x)^2} = \frac{P_{orb} K}{2\pi G}$

Minimum de masse de l'objet compact

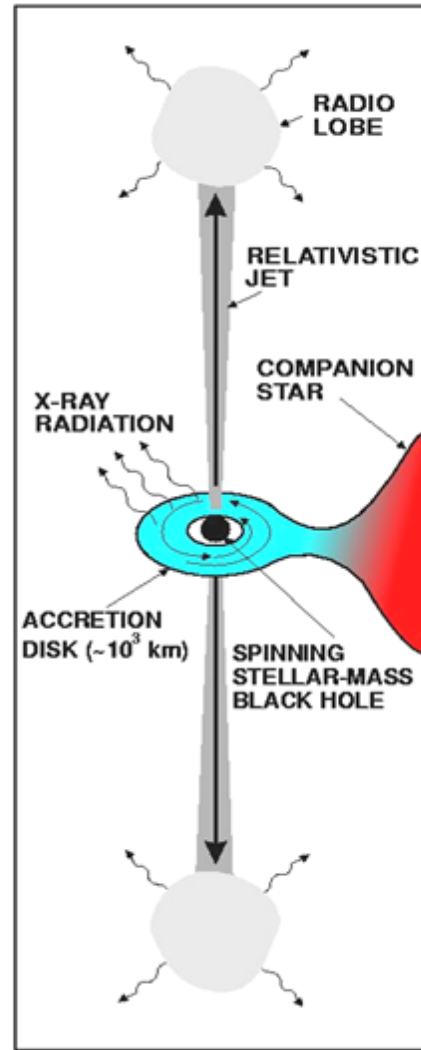


QUASAR-MICROQUASAR ANALOGY

QUASAR



MICROQUASAR



Mirabel & Rodríguez: Nature 1998

The scales of length and time are proportional to M_{BH}

$$R_{\text{sh}} = 2GM_{\text{BH}}/c^2 ; \Delta T \propto M_{\text{BH}}$$

Unique system of equations:
The maximum color temperature of the accretion disk is:

$$T_{\text{col}} \propto (M/10M_{\odot})^{-1/4}$$

(Shakura & Sunyaev, 1976)

Waited era of space astronomy

For a given accretion rate:

$$L_{\text{Bol}} \propto M_{\text{BH}} ; I_{\text{jet}} \propto M_{\text{BH}} ;$$

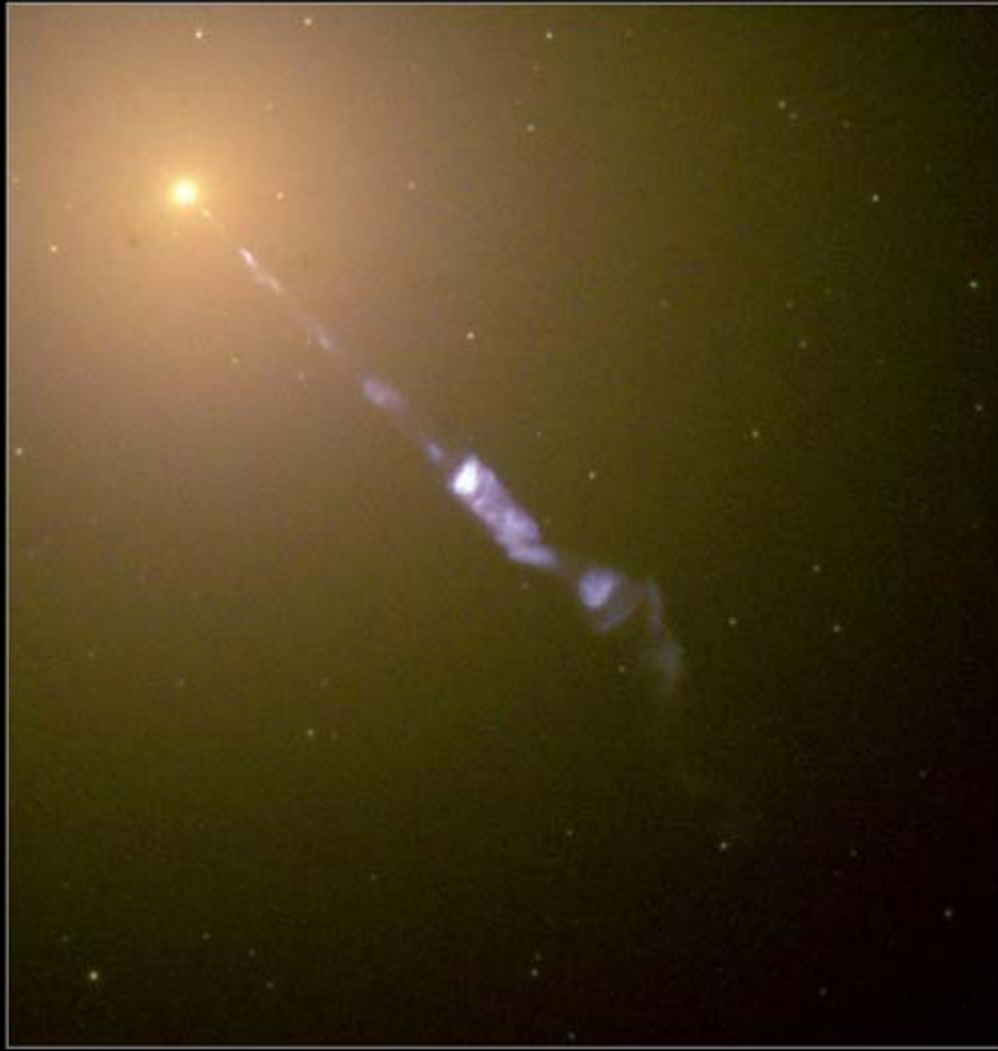
$$\varphi \propto M_{\text{BH}}^{-1} ; B \propto M_{\text{BH}}^{-1/2}$$

(Sams, Eckart, Sunyaev, 96; Rees 04)

APPARENT SUPERLUMINAL MOTIONS IN μ QSOS AS IN QSOS ?

SUPERLUMINAL MOTIONS IN QSOs & AGN

The M87 Jet



- OBSERVED IN ~ 30 QSOs & AGN
- IN RADIO & OPTICAL WAVES
- PROPER MOTION SEEN IN YEARS
- V_{app} UP TO $20c$
- WHAT IS THE NATURE ?

“PLASMONS” OR SHOCKS ?

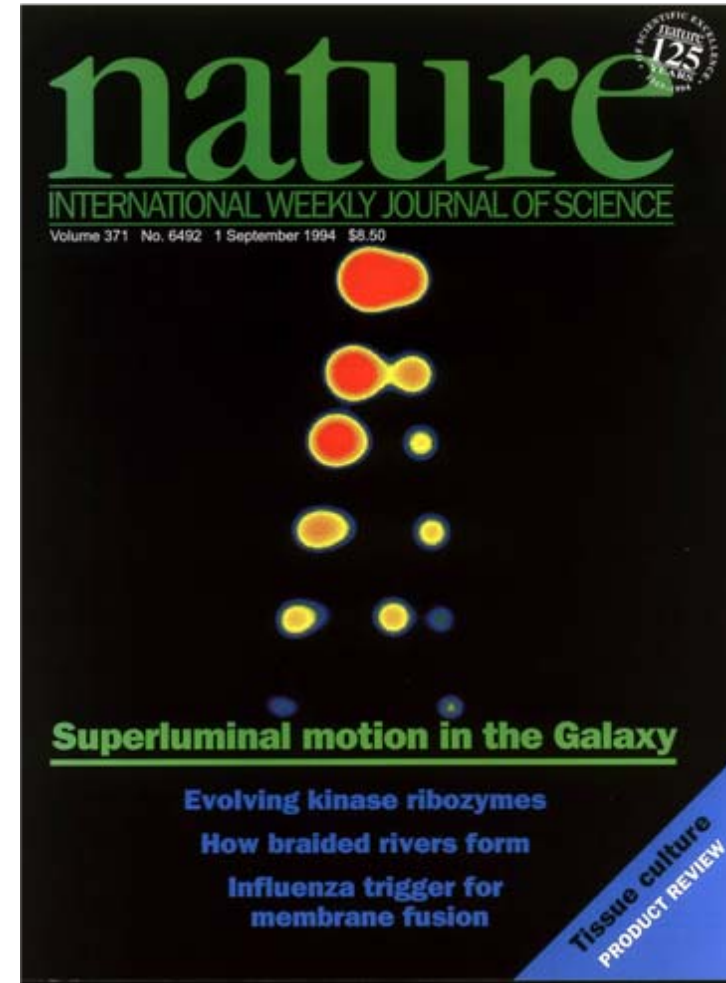
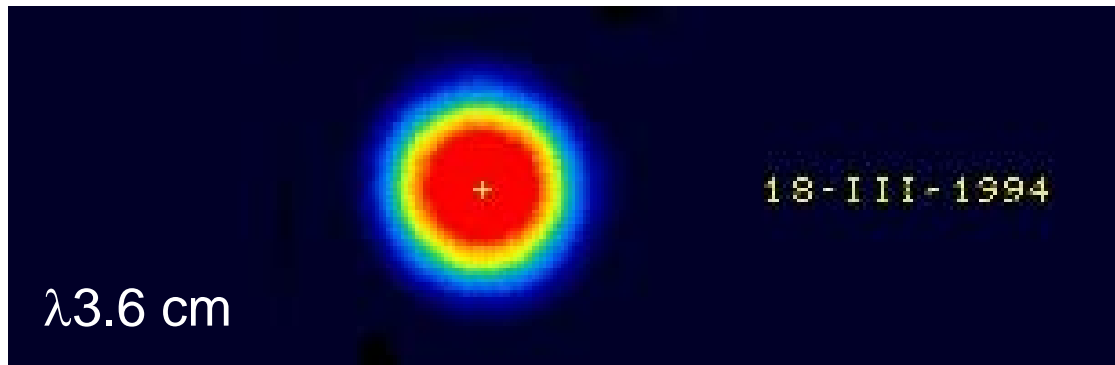
SUPERLUMINAL EJECTION IN A μ QSO

- GRS 1915+105 (discovered with GRANAT)
- 1 M_{\odot} red giant orbiting a 14 M_{\odot} BH (Greiner et al.)

Mirabel & Rodriguez, 1994



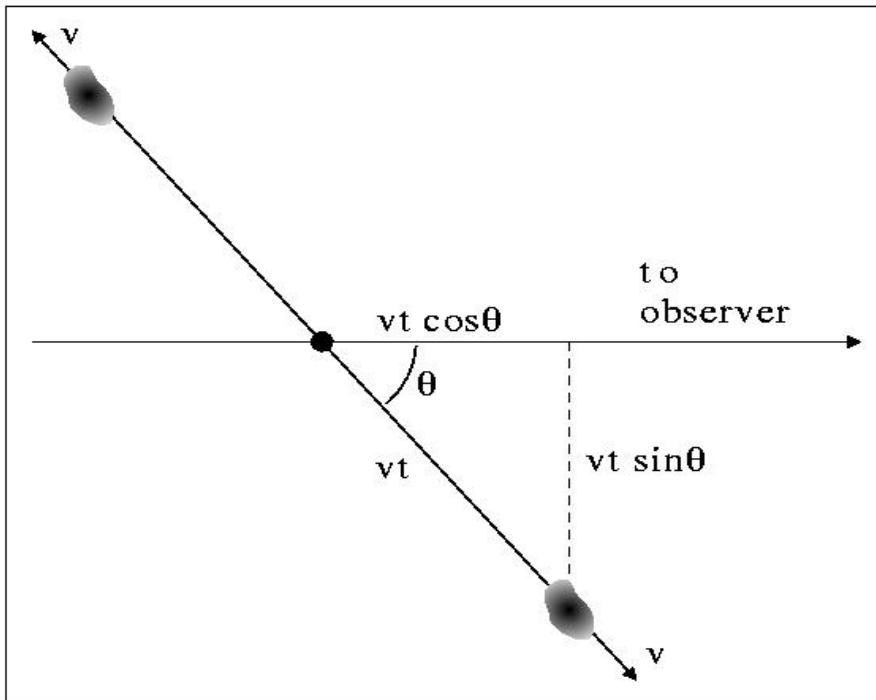
1 arcsec



$V_{\text{app}} > C$ Jets have apparent superluminal motions

RELATIVISTIC ABERRATION IN ANTISYMMETRIC TWIN JETS

Mirabel & Rodríguez, Nature 1994



$$\frac{S_a}{S_r} = \left(\frac{1 + \beta \cos \theta}{1 - \beta \cos \theta} \right)^{k-\alpha},$$

$$\mu_a = \frac{\beta \sin \theta}{(1 - \beta \cos \theta)} \frac{c}{D},$$

$$\mu_r = \frac{\beta \sin \theta}{(1 + \beta \cos \theta)} \frac{c}{D},$$

$$\beta \cos \theta = \frac{\mu_a - \mu_r}{\mu_a + \mu_r},$$

$$D = \frac{c \tan \theta}{2} \frac{(\mu_a - \mu_r)}{\mu_a \mu_r}.$$

Same bulk Lorentz factors as in QSOs: 2-10

$$D \leq \frac{c}{\sqrt{\mu_a \mu_r}}.$$

Relativistic upper limit: $D < 14$ kpc

RELATIVISTIC METHOD FOR DISTANCES IN ASTRONOMY

Mirabel & Rodríguez, Nature 1994

$$\left[\frac{\mu_{a,r}}{\text{radians sec}^{-1}} \right] = \frac{v \sin\theta}{(1 \mp (v/c) \cos\theta) D}$$

FROM PROPER MOTIONS

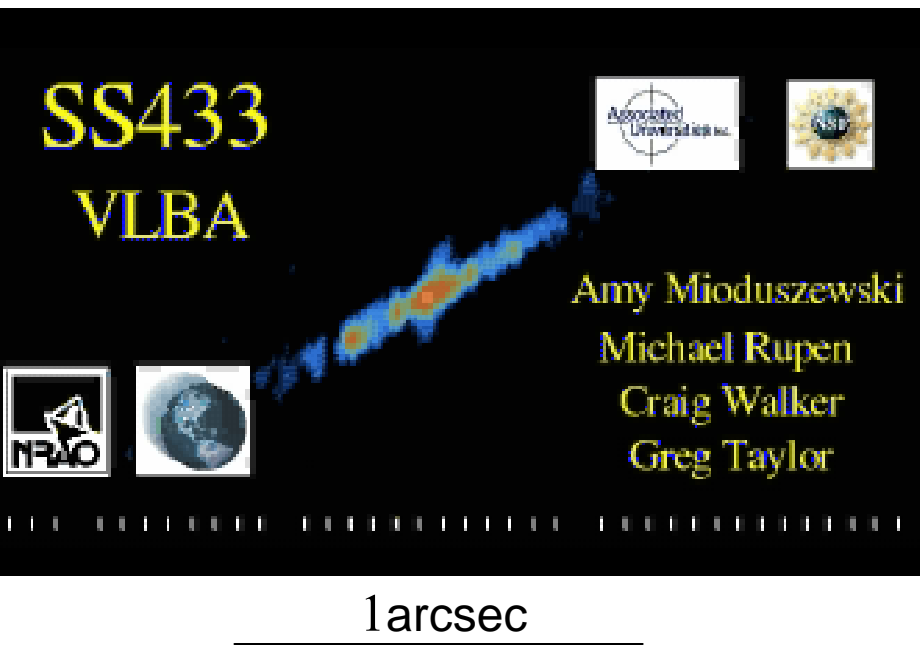
IF THE JETS ARE DOMINATED BY ELECTRON-PROTON PLASMA:

$$\frac{\lambda_{a,r}}{\lambda_{rest}} = \frac{(1 \mp (v/c) \cos\theta)}{[1 - (v/c)^2]^{1/2}}$$

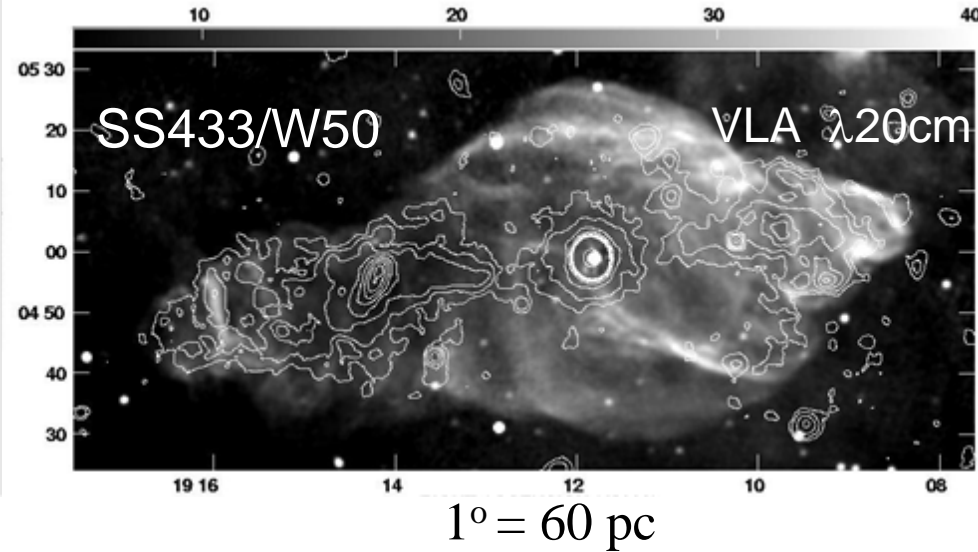
FROM DOPPLER FACTOR OF ION LINES

- IF JETS ARE ANTISYMMETRIC, v , θ , & D CAN BE FOUND
 - BUT SPECTRAL LINES (H, He, Fe) HAVE BEEN SO FAR DETECTED ONLY IN SS 433
- WHY ?**

POWERFUL DARK JETS FROM BLACK HOLES



Radio (Dubner et al); X-rays: (Brinkmann et al)

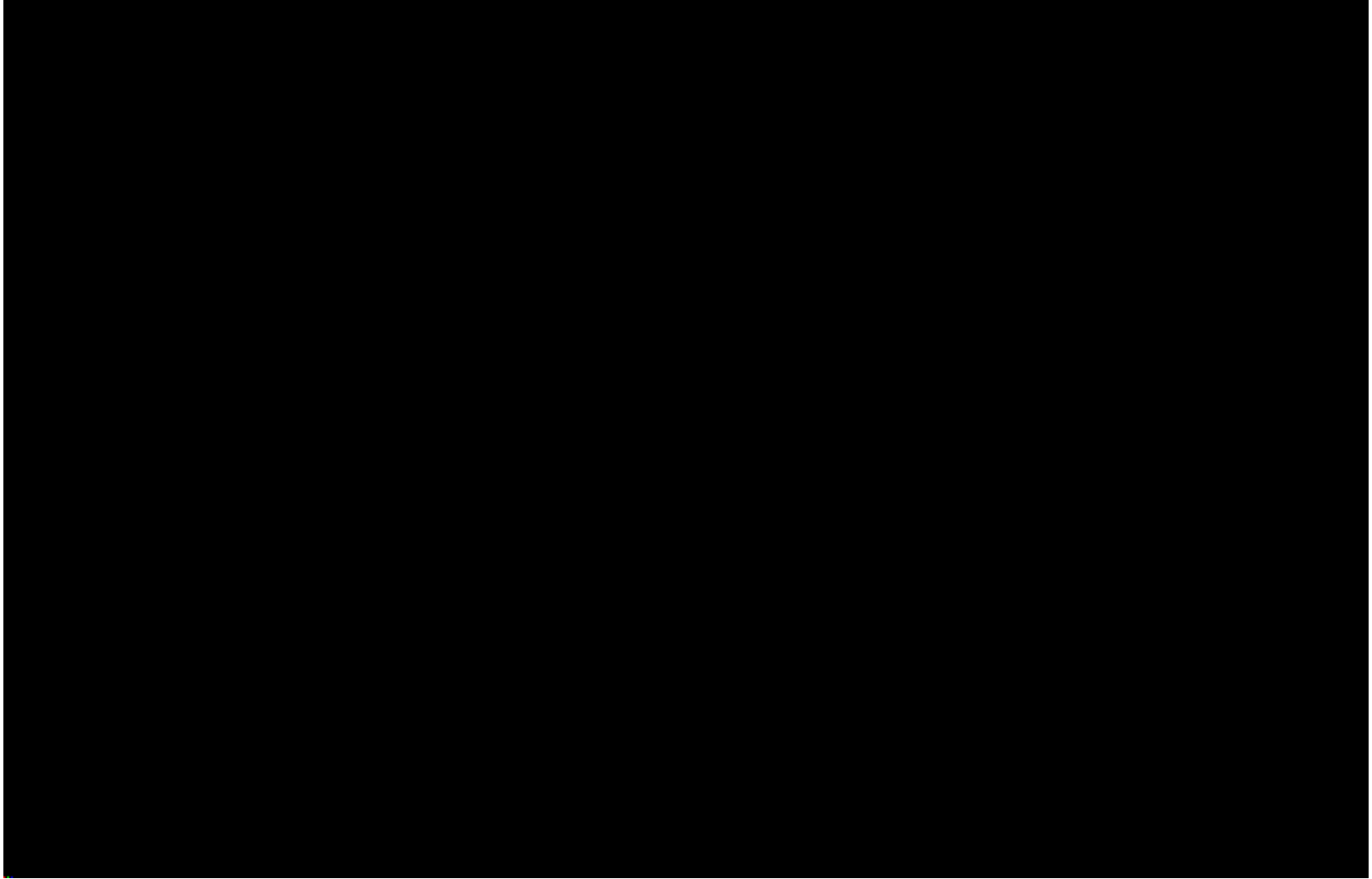


- ATOMIC NUCLEI MOVING AT $0.26c \Rightarrow$
- MECHANICAL LUMINOSITY $> 10^{39}$ erg/sec
- NON RADIATIVE JETS = "DARK" JETS
- $>50\%$ OF THE ENERGY IS NOT RADIATED

MOVING X-RAY JETS IN A μ QSO

μ QSOs XTE J1550-564 & H1743-322

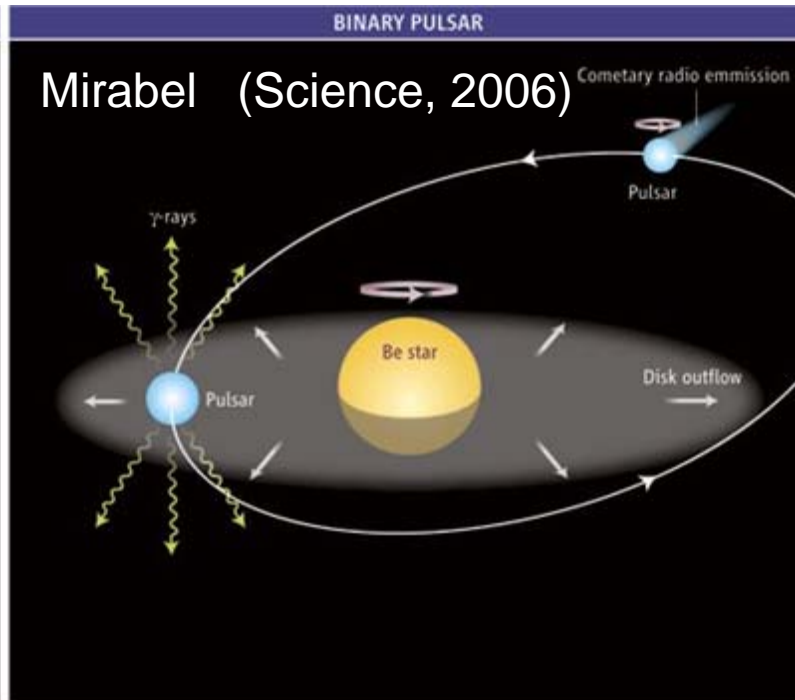
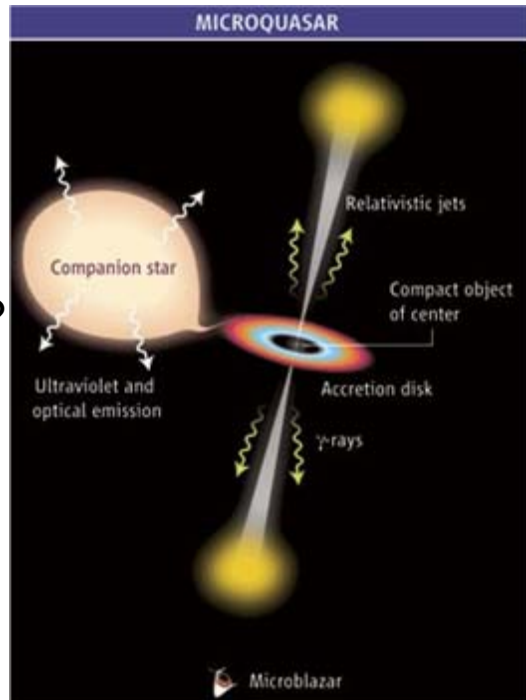
Corbel et al. Science (2002, 2005)



X-rays are produced by synchrotron \Rightarrow electrons accelerated to TeV energies

TeV PHOTONS FROM COMPACT BINARIES

- **TeV electrons in μ QSOs** XTE J1550-564 & H1743-322 (Corbel et al. Science 02, 05)
- **VHE (>100 GeV)** from LS 5039, PSR B1259-63, LSI +61 303 & **Cyg X-1**



PSR B1259-63
LSI +61 303
&
LS 5039 ?

Cyg X-1 ?

Pulsar wind: In LSI +61 303 it spins as a function of orbital phase (Dhawan et al. 2006)

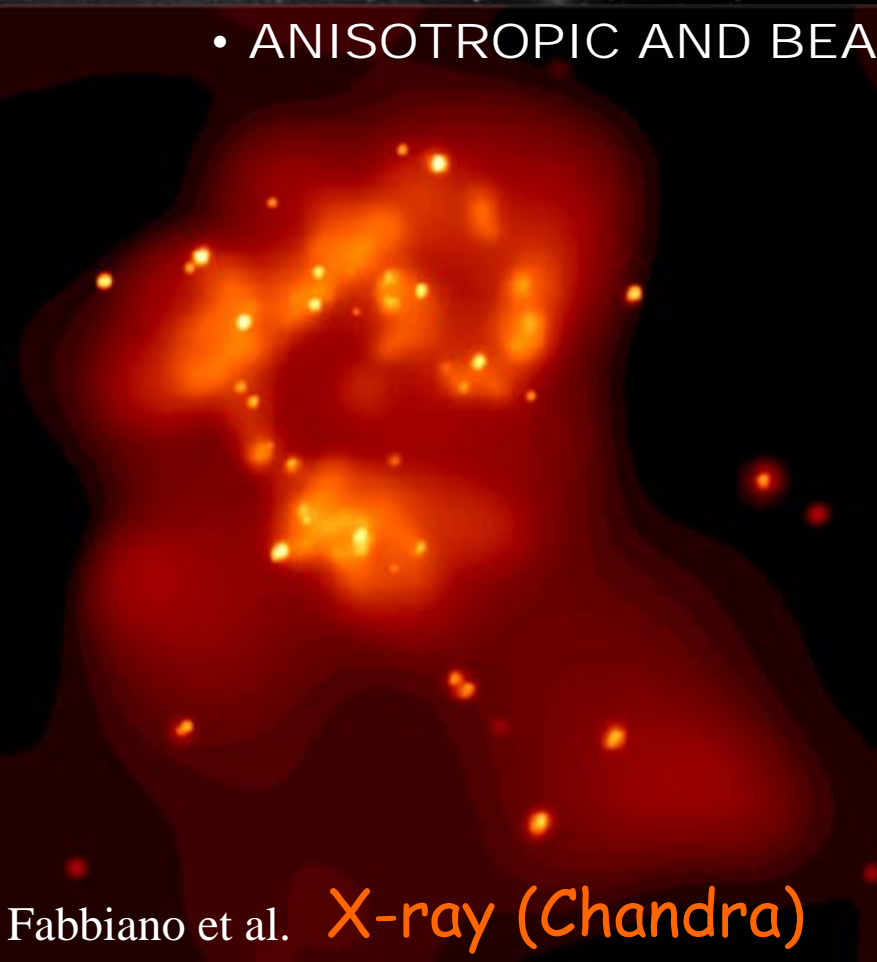
μ QSO jets in no μ blazar source Cyg X-1: Romero (2005); Albert...Paredes in Science

TeV intraday variability from M87 supports jet models (Aharonian... Science, 2006)

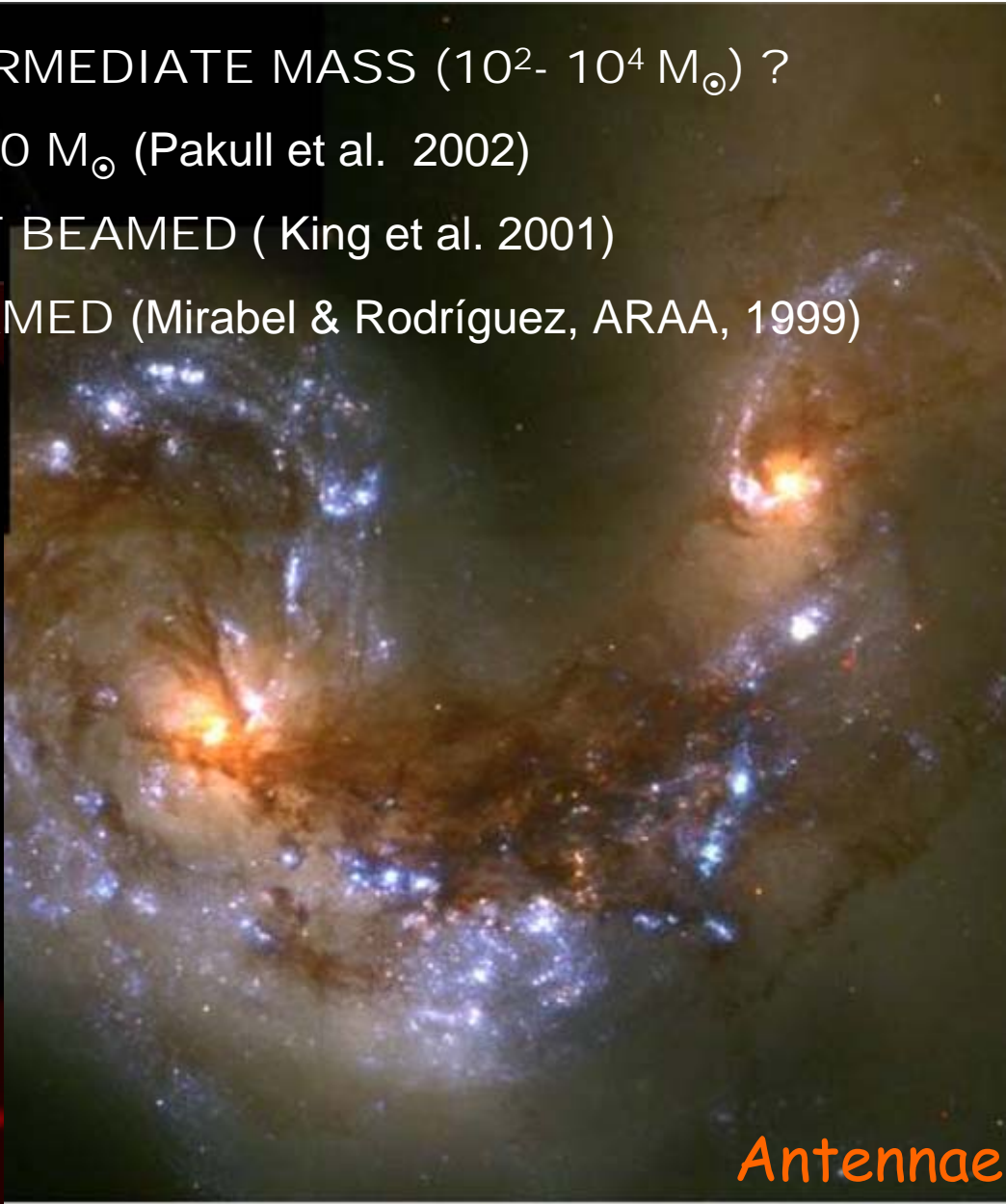
ULTRALUMINOUS X-RAY SOURCES

Are most of them microquasars in external galaxies ?

- BLACK HOLES OF INTERMEDIATE MASS (10^2 - $10^4 M_{\odot}$) ?
- ISOTROPIC BUT $M_{\text{BH}} > 30 M_{\odot}$ (Pakull et al. 2002)
- ANISOTROPIC BUT NOT BEAMED (King et al. 2001)
- ANISOTROPIC AND BEAMED (Mirabel & Rodríguez, ARAA, 1999)



Fabbiano et al. X-ray (Chandra)



Antennae

MICROBLAZARS

(Mirabel & Luis Rodríguez, ARAA 1999)

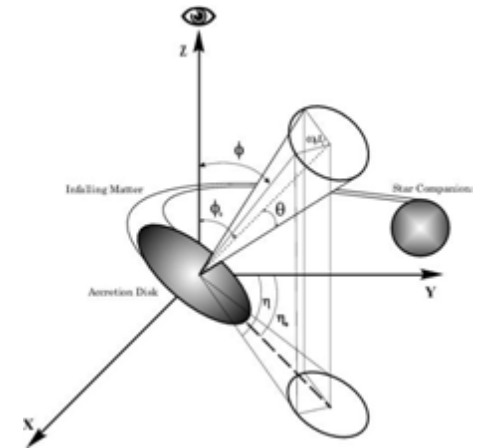
Due to relativistic beaming: $\Delta t \propto 1/2\gamma^2$; $I \propto 8\gamma^3$

e.g. If $\gamma = 5$, $\Theta < 10^\circ \Rightarrow \Delta t < 1/50$ and $\Delta I > 10^3$

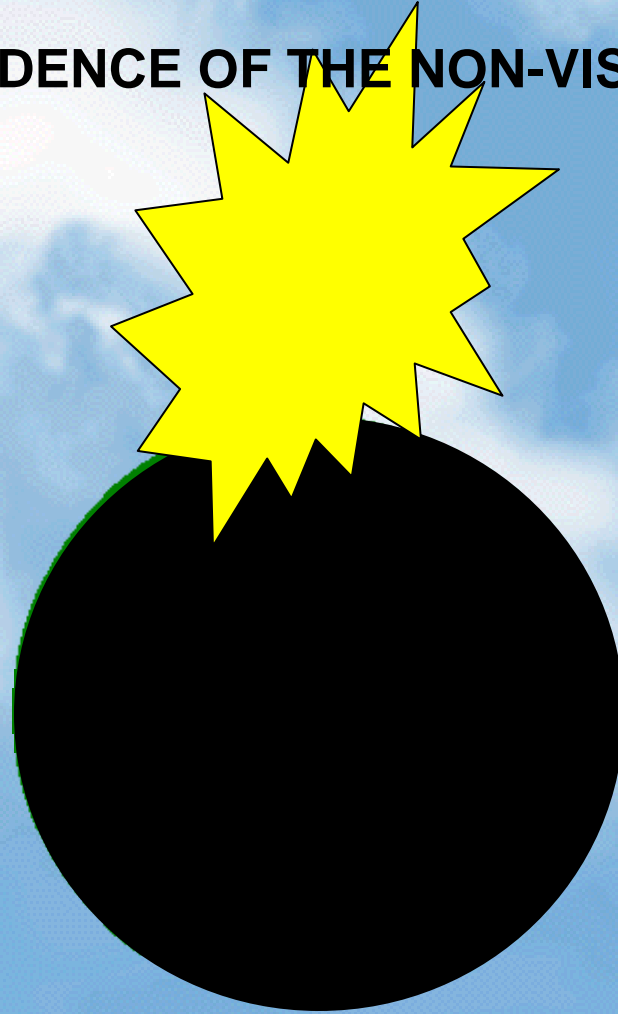
**SHOULD APPEAR AS SOURCES WITH FAST
AND INTENSE VARIATIONS OF FLUX \Rightarrow
DIFFICULT TO FOLLOW AND TO FIND**

Possible μ blazars in BH HMXBs

(Romero, Kauffman, Mirabel, 2002)



HORIZON IS THE BASIC CONCEPT THAT DEFINES BLACK HOLES
IT IS DIFFICULT TO OBTAIN DIRECT EVIDENCE OF THEIR EXISTENCE
“FAITH IS THE EVIDENCE OF THE NON-VISIBLE” (St. Paul)



ACCRETION-JET CONNECTION

$\Delta T \propto M_{\text{BH}}$

1 hr = 30 yr in SgrA*

GRS 1915+ 105 (Mirabel, Chaty et al. 1998)

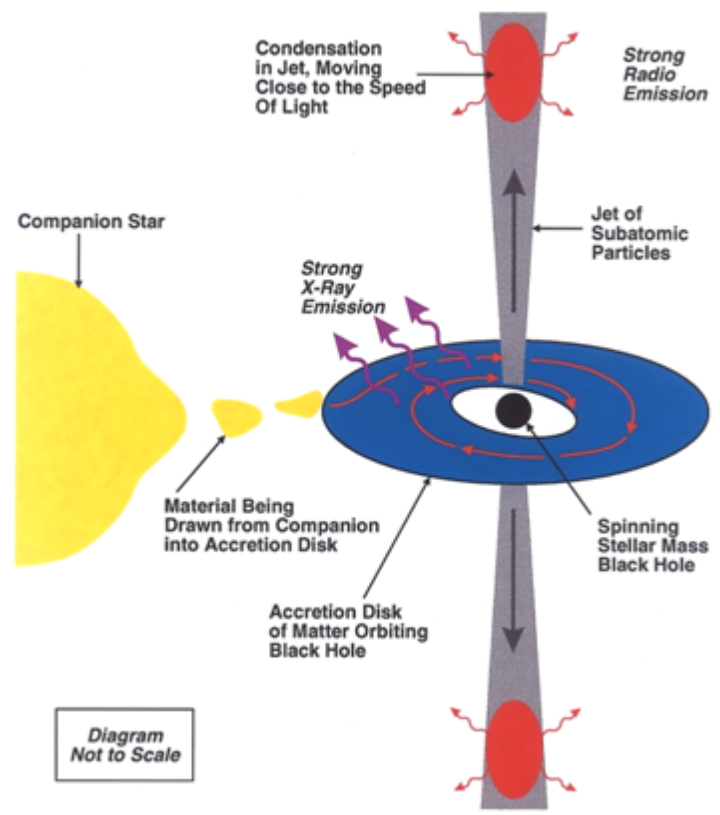
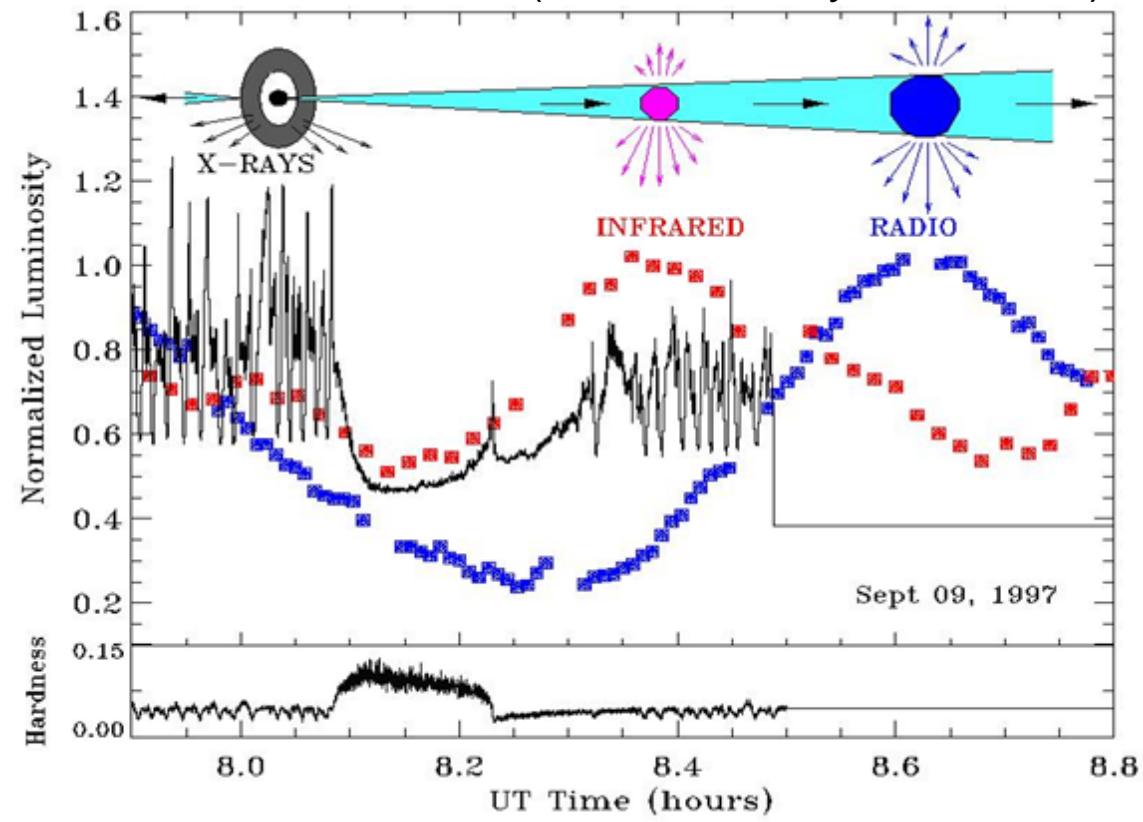


Diagram Not to Scale



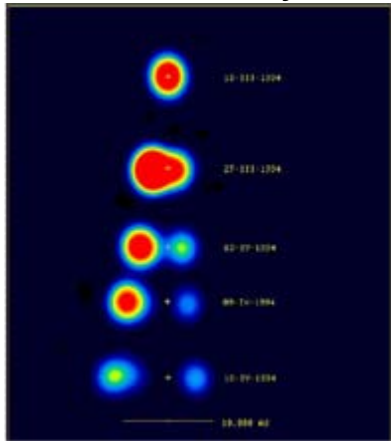
- ABSCENCE OF EVIDENCE FOR A MATERIAL SURFACE IN A $M_{\text{BH}} = 14 M_{\odot}$
- THE ONSET OF THE JET IS AT THE TIME OF A X-RAY "SPIKE"
- SUDDEN REFILL OF THE DISK & SHOCK THROUGH COMPACT JET

UNIVERSAL DISK-JET COUPLING IN BLACK HOLES

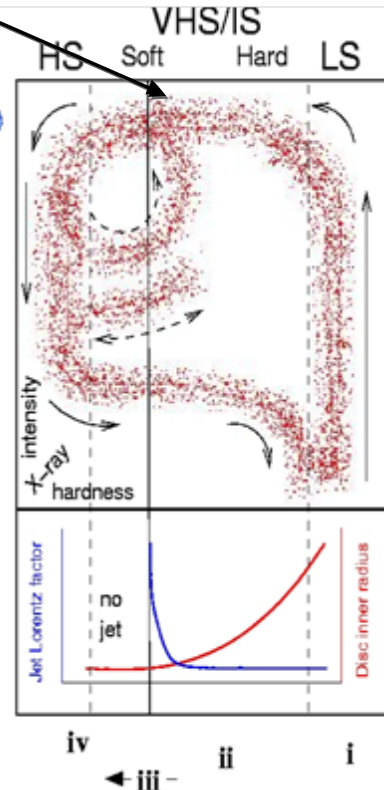
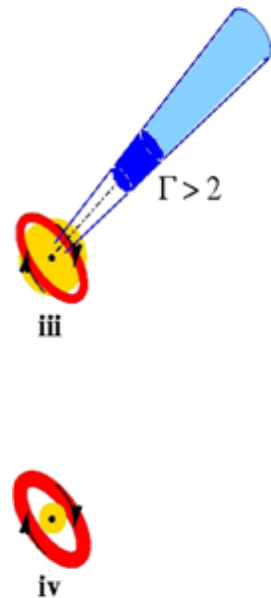
Outburst with rapid transition from hard to soft X-ray state

Fender et al. (2006)

Soft X-rays

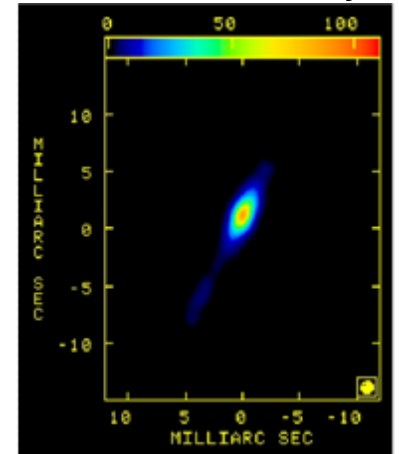


Transient, optically thin radio jets: $\Gamma > 2$



Mirabel, Chaty et al. (2005)

Low-hard X-rays



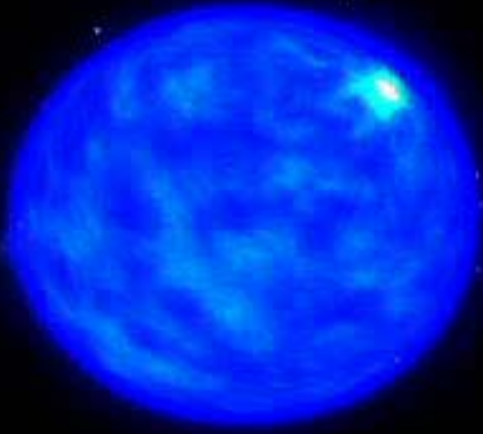
Persistent, flat spectrum radio source: $\Gamma < 2$

- The transient radio jets are produced by internal shocks
- Disk-jet coupling also observed in QSOs (Marscher et al Nature 2004)
- How are BH binary states related to AGN types ? (Köerding et al.)

GAMMA-RAY BURSTS: FORMATION OF STELLAR BLACK HOLES

THE MOST POWERFUL EXPLOSIONS AFTER THE BIG BANG

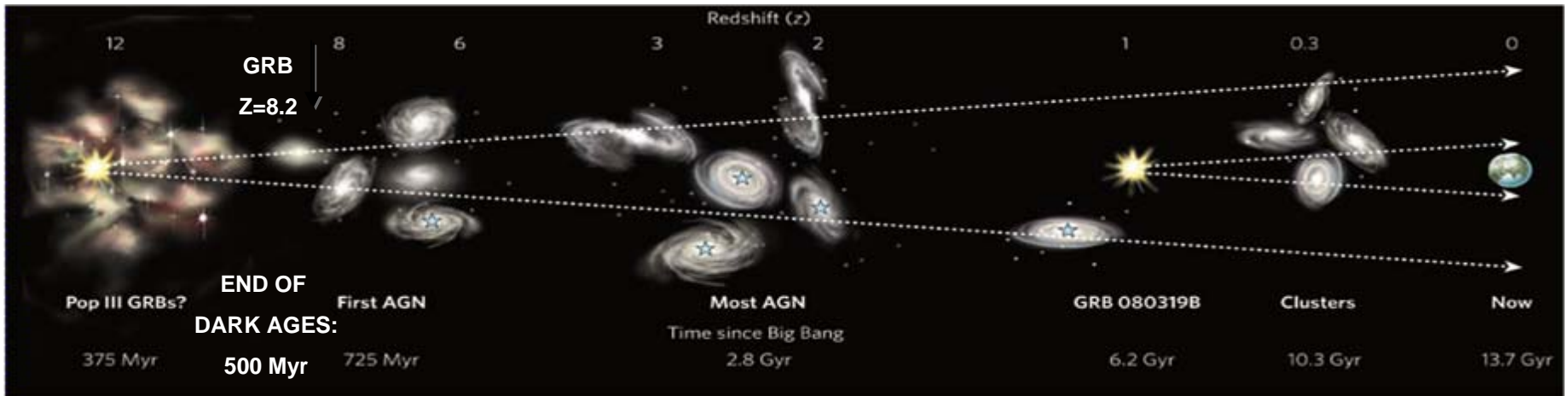
Collapse of stars & super-relativistic jets



Hiper-novae explosions of type SN I_{b/c}

BUT

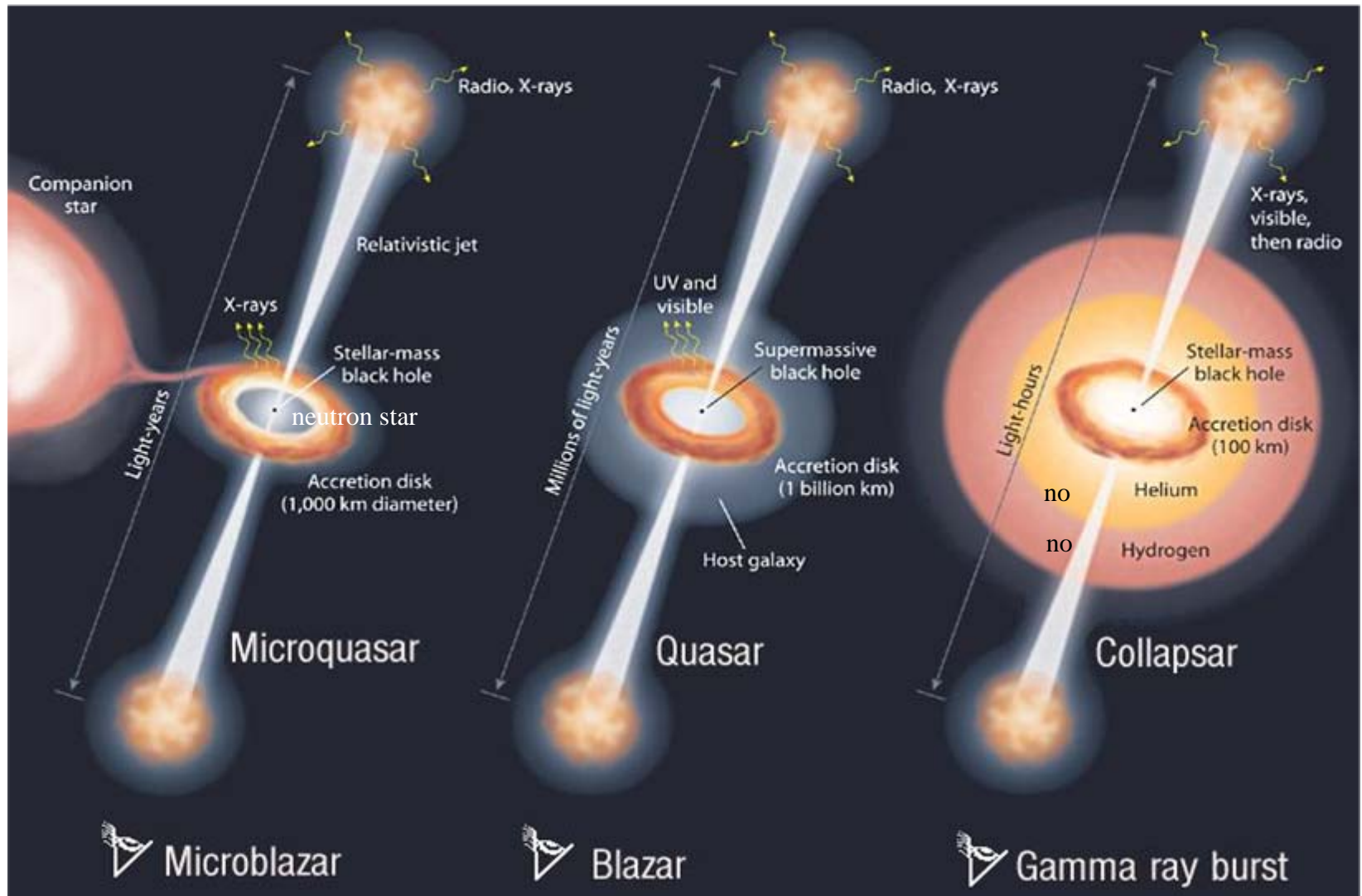
- Two nearby LGRBs with no bright SNe
- A faint core collapse SN_{b/c} (Nat.4/6/09)
- μ QSs \Rightarrow BHs may form by implosion



Timeline of the Universe since the formation of the first stars

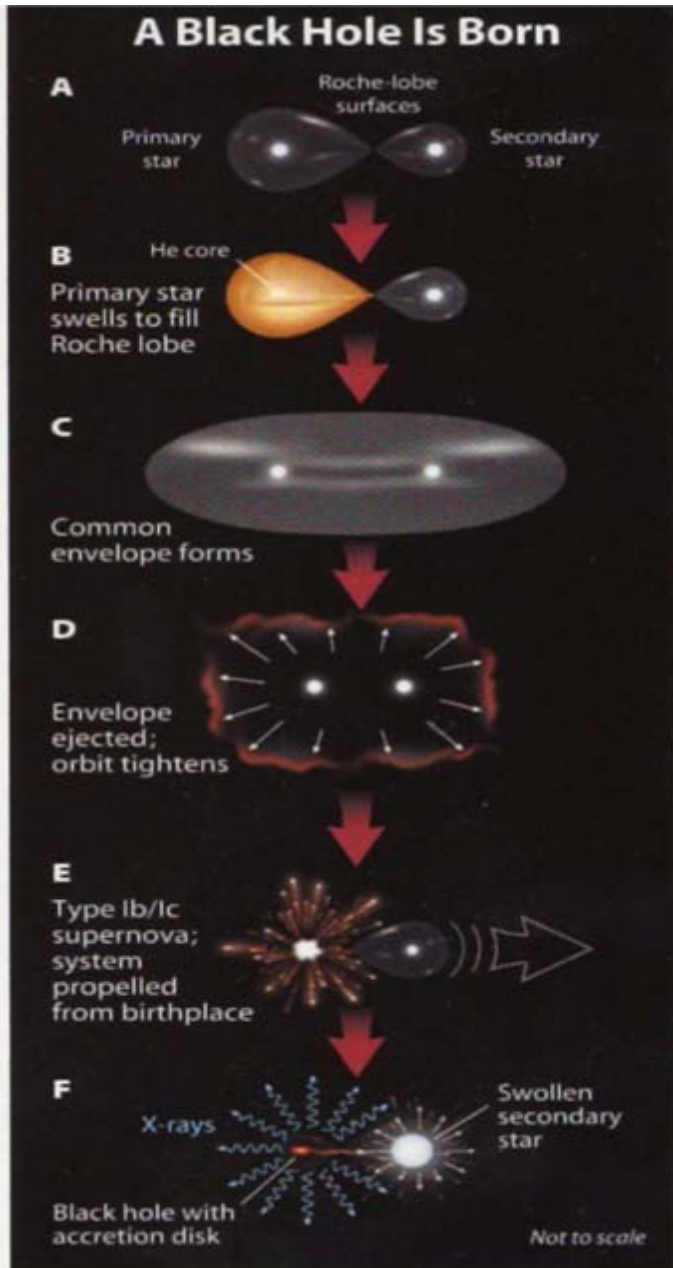
QSO - μ QSO - GRB ANALOGY

HAVE THE SAME 3 BASIC INGREDIENTS (Mirabel & Rodríguez, S&T 2002)



AN UNIVERSAL MAGNETO-HYDRODYNAMIC MECHANISM FOR JETS ?

HOW ARE STELLAR BLACK HOLES FORM ?



CORE COLLAPSE MODELS:

DELETED VERSUS DIRECT COLLAPSE AS A FUNCTION OF THE MASS OF THE CORE:

Massive black holes ($M > 10 M_{\odot}$) should form without luminous SNe & energetic kicks

(Fryer & Kalogera ; Woosley & Heger; Nomoto et al.)

BUT NO OBSERVATIONS TO TESTS:

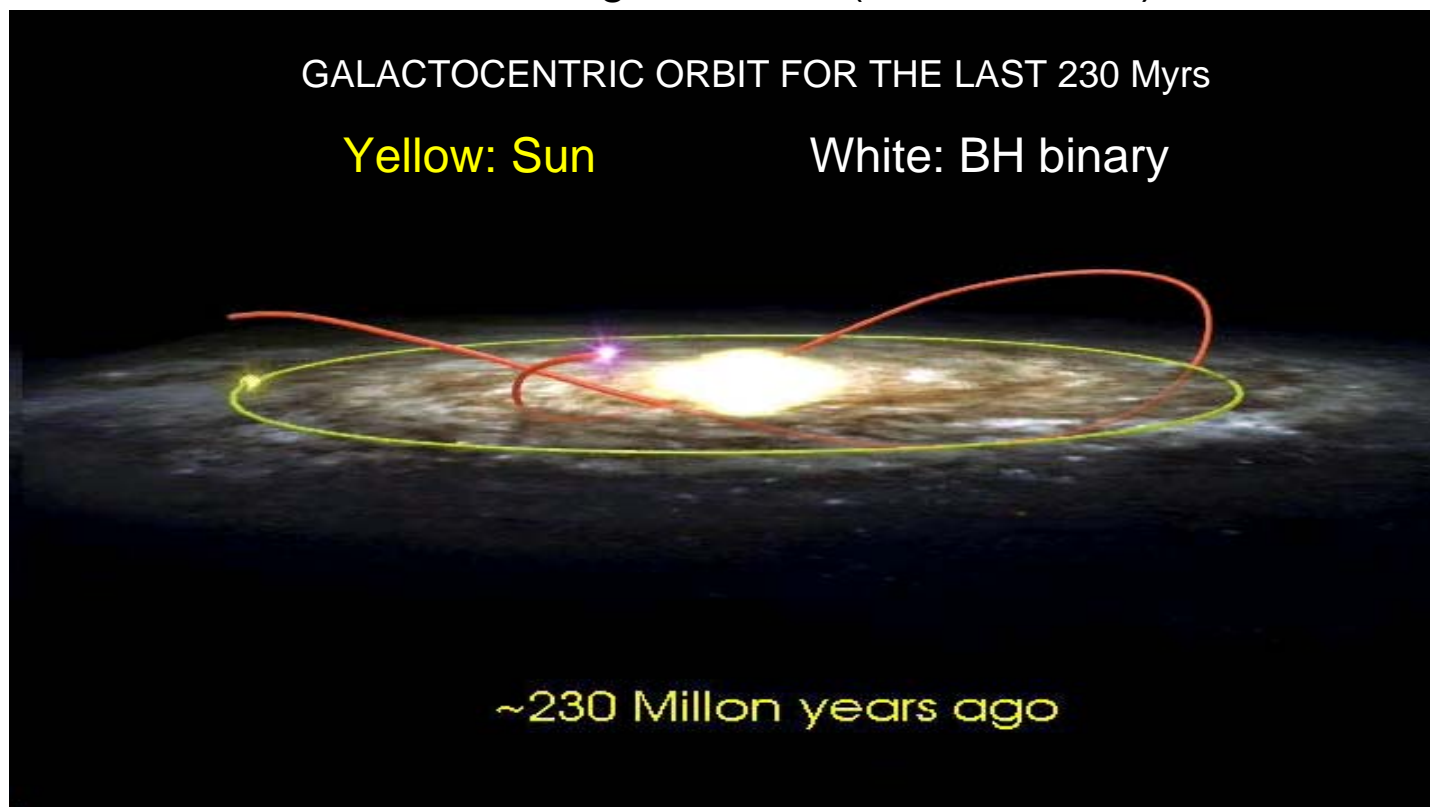
USE THE KINEMATICS OF μ QSOs TO TEST THE CORE COLLAPSE MODELS

Mirabel & Irapuan Rodrigues (2001-2009)

A RUNAWAY BLACK HOLE IN THE GALACTIC HALO

XTE J1118+480 $M_{\text{BH}} \sim 7 M_{\odot}$ $M_{*} = 0.1 - 0.5 M_{\odot}$; $l = 158^{\circ}$ $b = +62^{\circ}$; $D = 1.9$ kpc

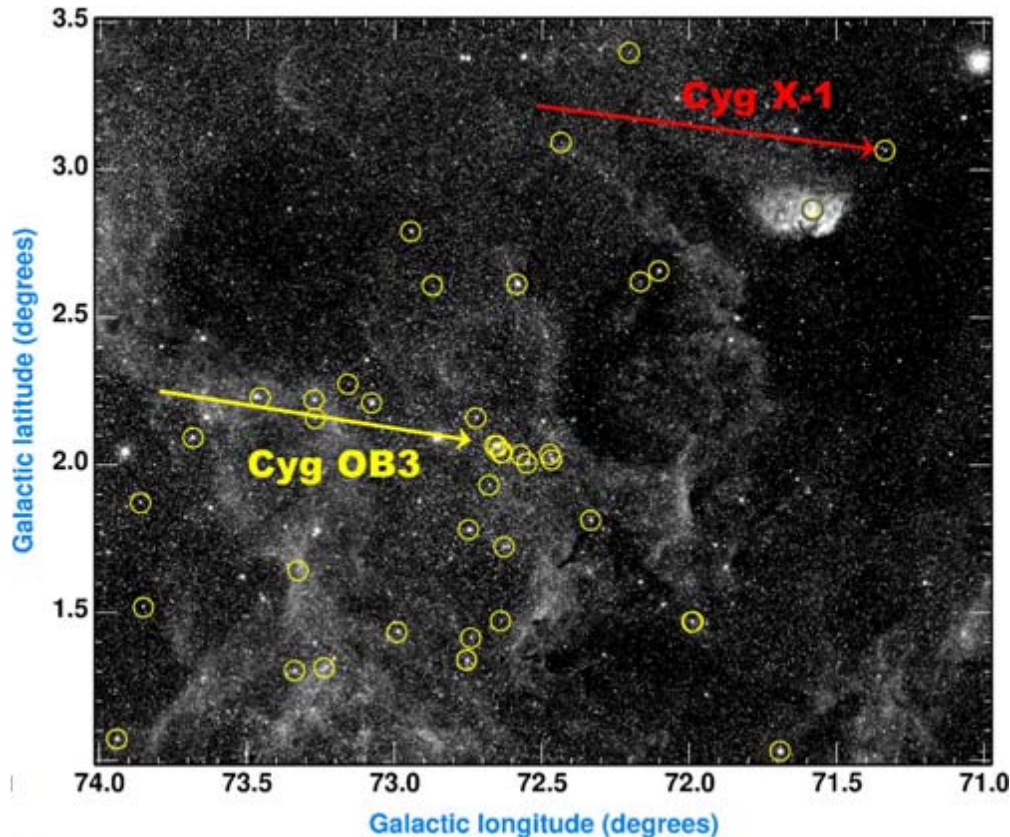
Mirabel, Rodrigues, et al. (Nature, 2001)



WAS THIS LOW-MASS BLACK HOLE FORM IN A GLOBULAR CLUSTER OR WAS IT SHOT OUT FROM THE GALACTIC THIN DISK BY AN ENERGETIC NATAL SN EXPLOSION ?

THE $\sim 10 M_{\odot}$ BLACK HOLE IN Cyg X-1 WAS BORN IN THE DARK

Mirabel & Irapuan Rodrigues (Science, 2003)



$V < 9 \pm 2 \text{ km/s} \Rightarrow < 1 M_{\odot}$ ejected in SN

Otherwise it would have been shot out from the parent stellar association

- In addition, the $14 M_{\odot}$ in GRS 1915+105 & the $15 M_{\odot}$ in V404 Cyg black holes move on the plane. Their peculiar motions can be explained by Galactic diffusion.

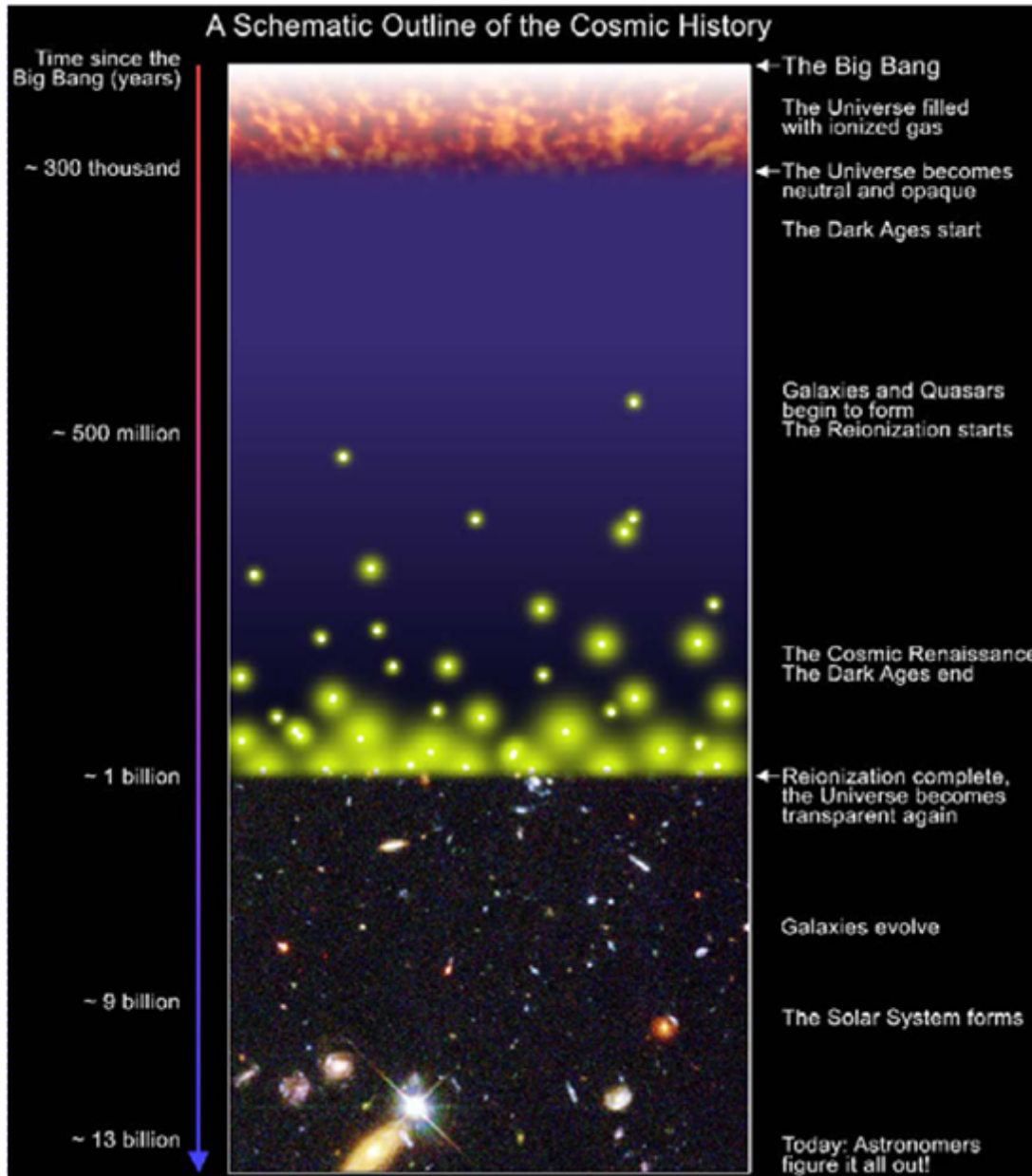
- Two LGRBs at $z \sim 0.1$ with no bright SNe: $M(56\text{Ni}) < 10^{-3} M_{\odot}$

- Discovery of low-energy core-collapse SNe without envelope (Nature, 2009)

DO BLACK HOLES OF $> 10 M_{\odot}$ FORM BY DIRECT COLLAPSE ?

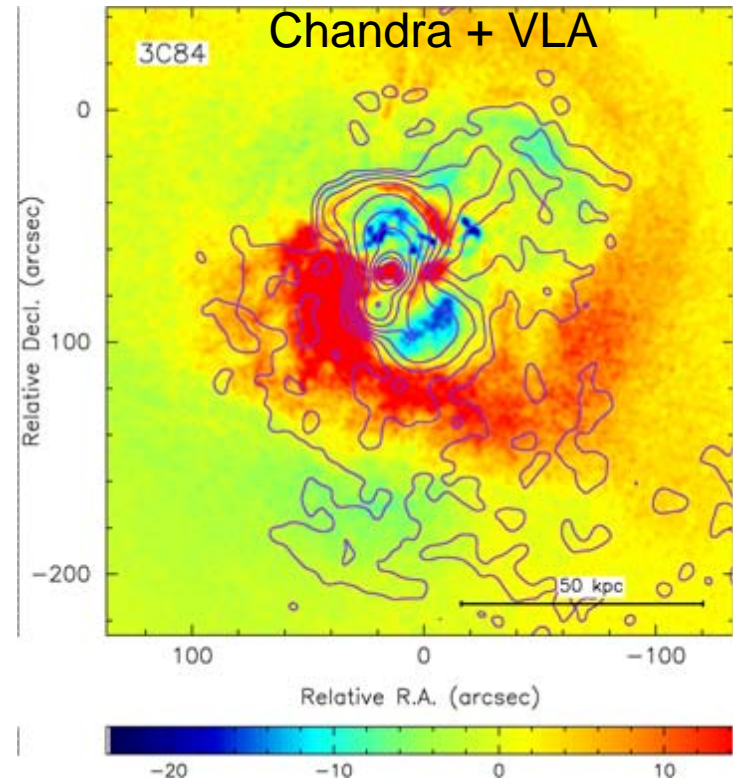
Mirabel (2009, in preparation)

BLACK HOLES AND COSMIC EVOLUTION



- 1) At $z = 6-14$: black holes & massive stars make the universe transparent
- 2) At $Z \sim 2$: AGN stall cooling flows & regulate the growth of massive galaxies

Fabian et al. 2004

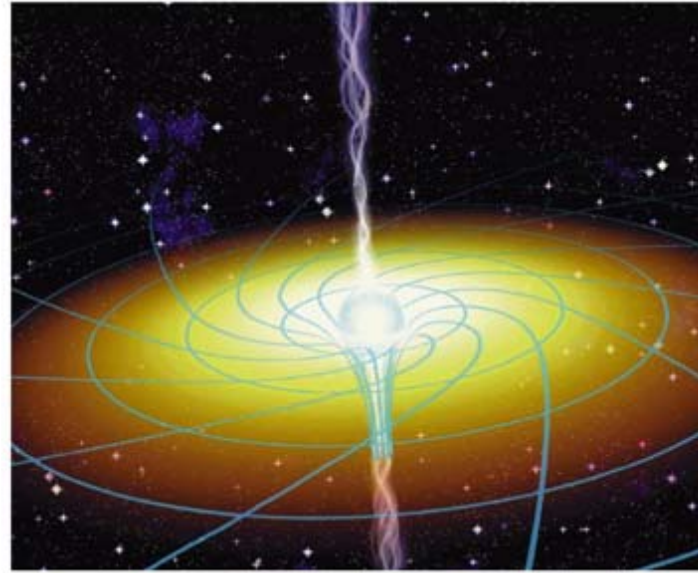
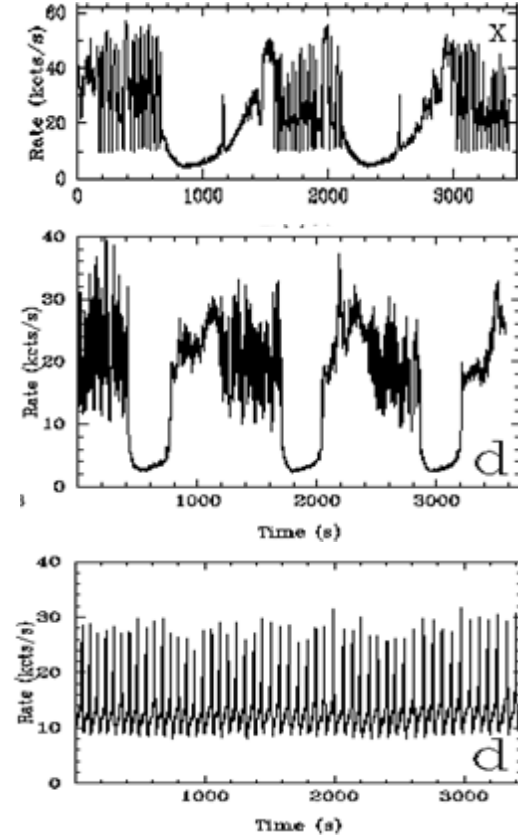


MEASURING THE SPIN OF BLACK HOLES FROM:

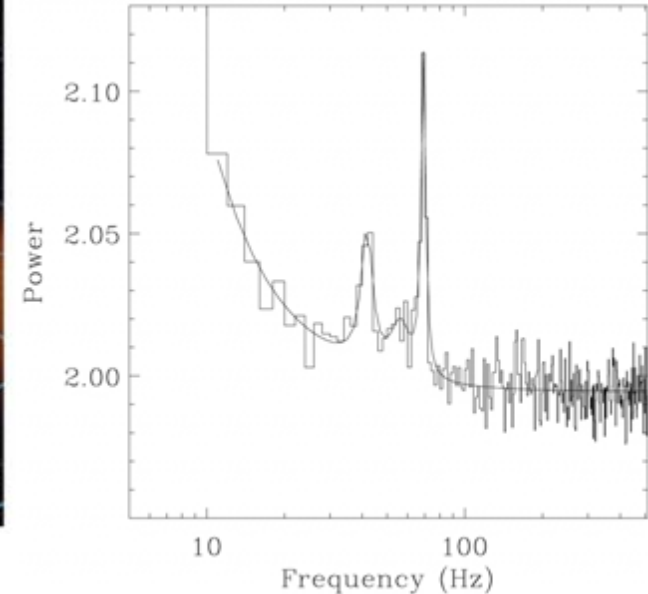
- Quasi-periodic oscillations (QPOs) of maximum fixed frequency
- Accretion disk parameters
- Shape of the Fe $K\alpha$ lines

QPOs AND GENERAL RELATIVITY

XTE & INDIAN SAT.



GRS 1915+105 (Strohmayer)



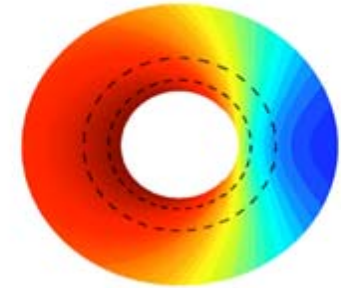
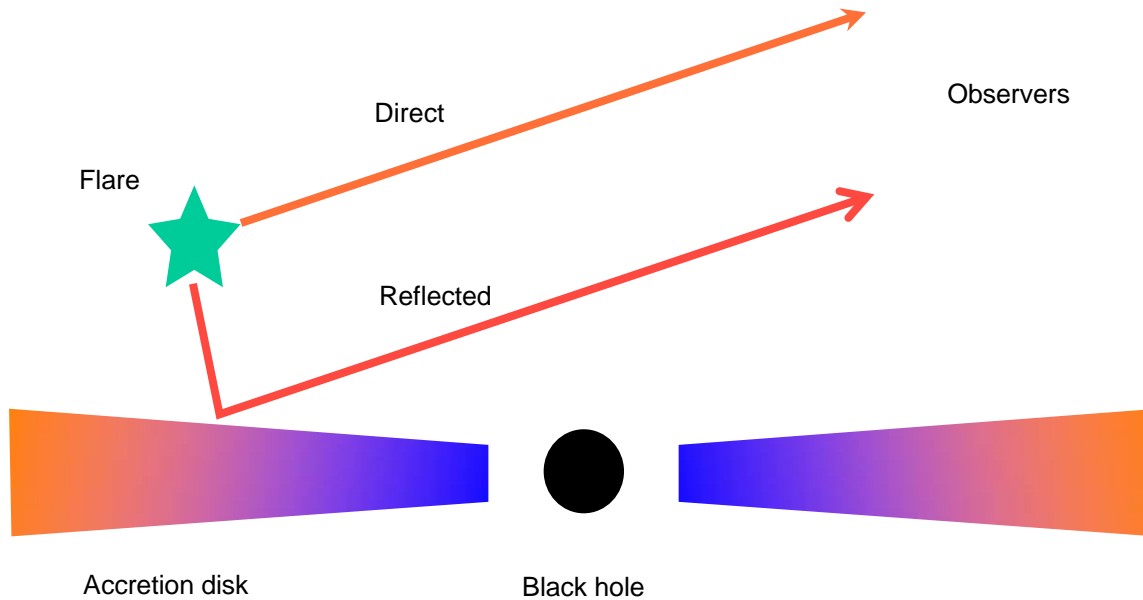
- High frequency QPOs (e.g. 40 & 67 Hz repeat in GRS)
- This 3:2 ratio now found in 4 BHXBs (Remillard et al.) \Rightarrow

Jerome Rodriguez et al. must depend on fundamental properties of black hole

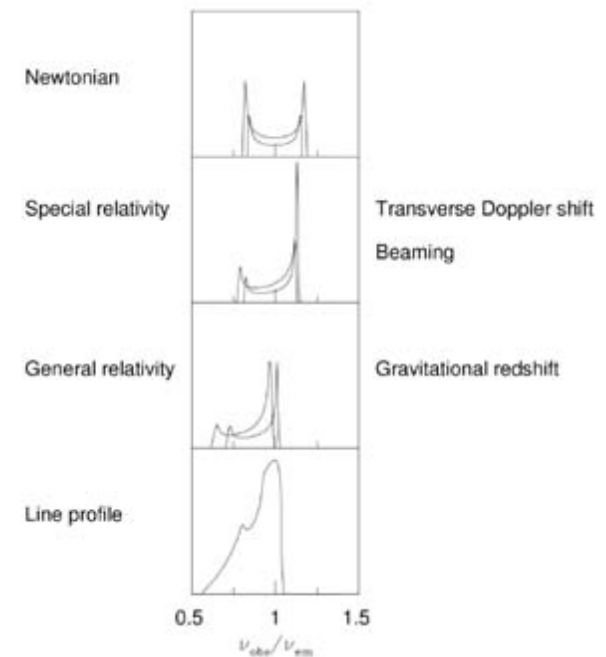
$v_{\max} = f(M_{\text{BH}}, \text{Spin}) \Rightarrow$ **DETERMINE THE SPIN OF BLACK HOLES**

IN 4 BLACK HOLES THE SPINS DERIVED FROM QPOs & FROM DISK TEMPERATURES ARE CONSISTENT

Fe $K\alpha$ LINES IN KERR BLACK HOLES



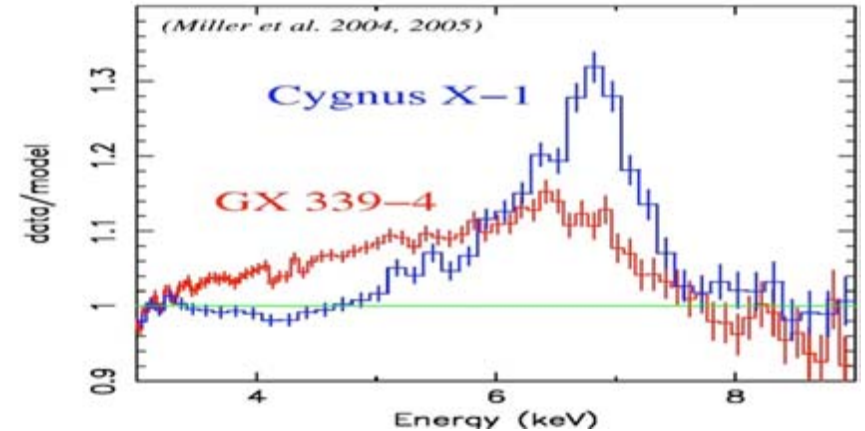
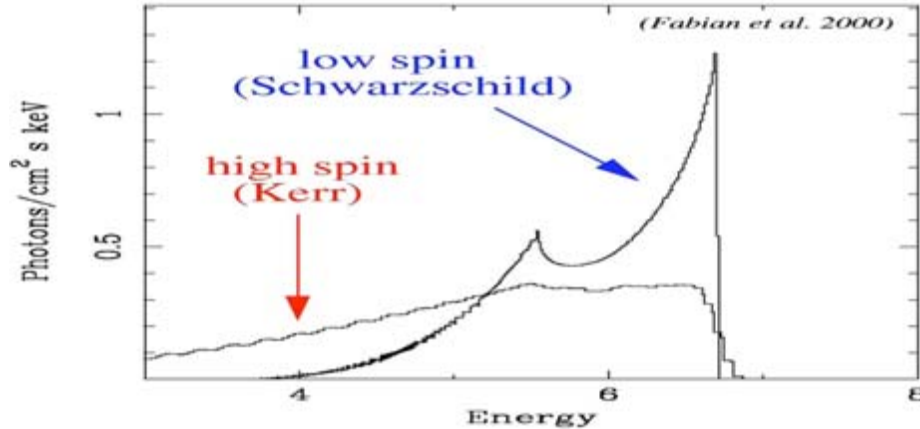
- Fluorescence lines are produced through reflection of X-rays on a cool accretion disk
 - The profile of the line is subject to gravitational redshifts, Doppler shifts, light bending effects & beaming



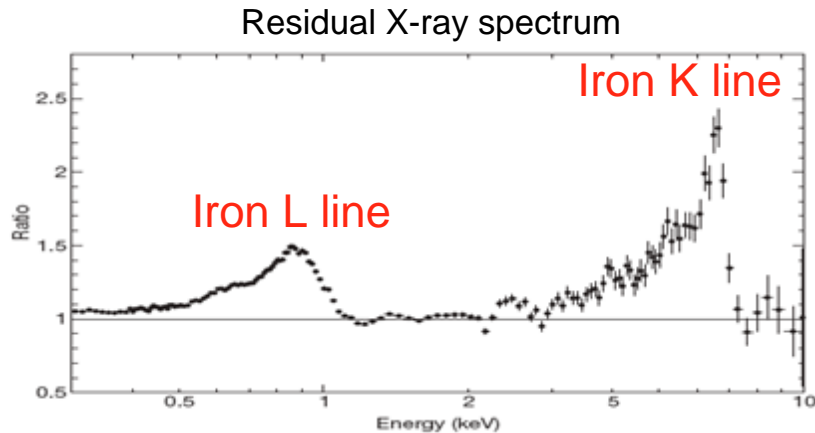
Fabian et al. (2000)

Broad lines in μ QSOs \Rightarrow large spins

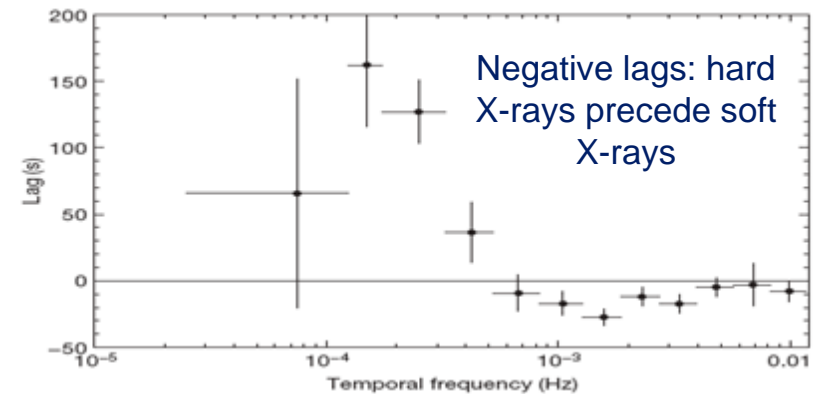
Miller (2009)



Broad line in the AGN 1H0707-495 Confirm the reflection model (Fabian et al. Nature, 2009)



Lag spectrum between the 0.3–1-keV and 1–4-keV bands



SUMMARY

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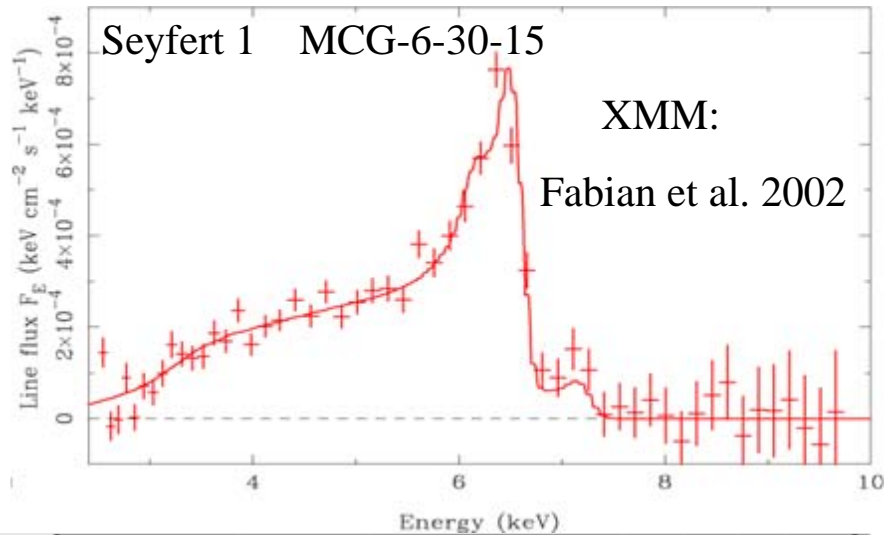
- **THE PHYSICS OF RELATIVISTIC JETS FROM BH's**
- **THE CONNECTION BETWEEN ACCRETION & EJECTION**
- **THE FORMATION OF STELLAR-MASS BLACK HOLES**

Microquasars could provide insight into:

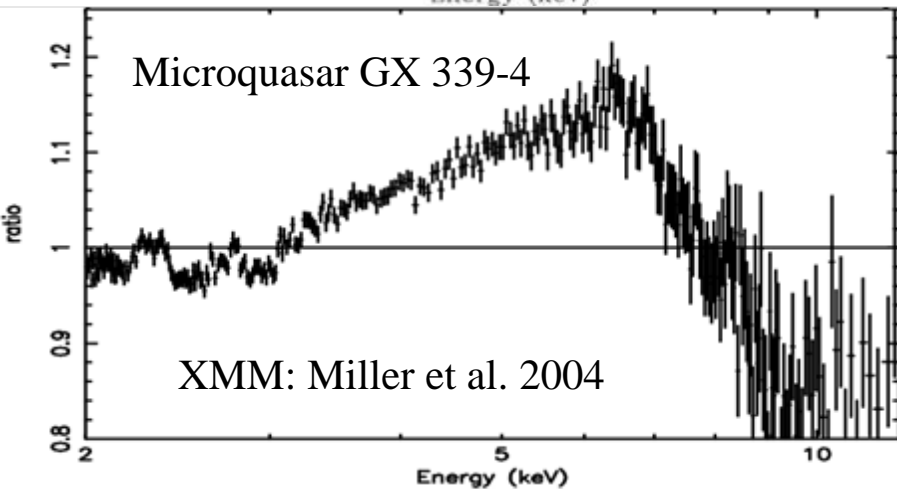
- **A LARGE FRACTION OF ULXs IN NEARBY GALAXIES**
- **SOME OF THE DARK LGRBs AT LOW REDSHIFTS**
- **TeV EMISSION FROM COMPACT BINARIES & AGN**

THERE ARE HISTORICAL AND EPISTEMOLOGICAL ANALOGIES BETWEEN BLACK HOLE ASTROPHYSICS AND STELLAR ASTROPHYSICS

Fe K α LINES IN KERR BLACK HOLES



General Relativity in the limit of
the strongest gravitational fields
(Fabian & Tanaka)

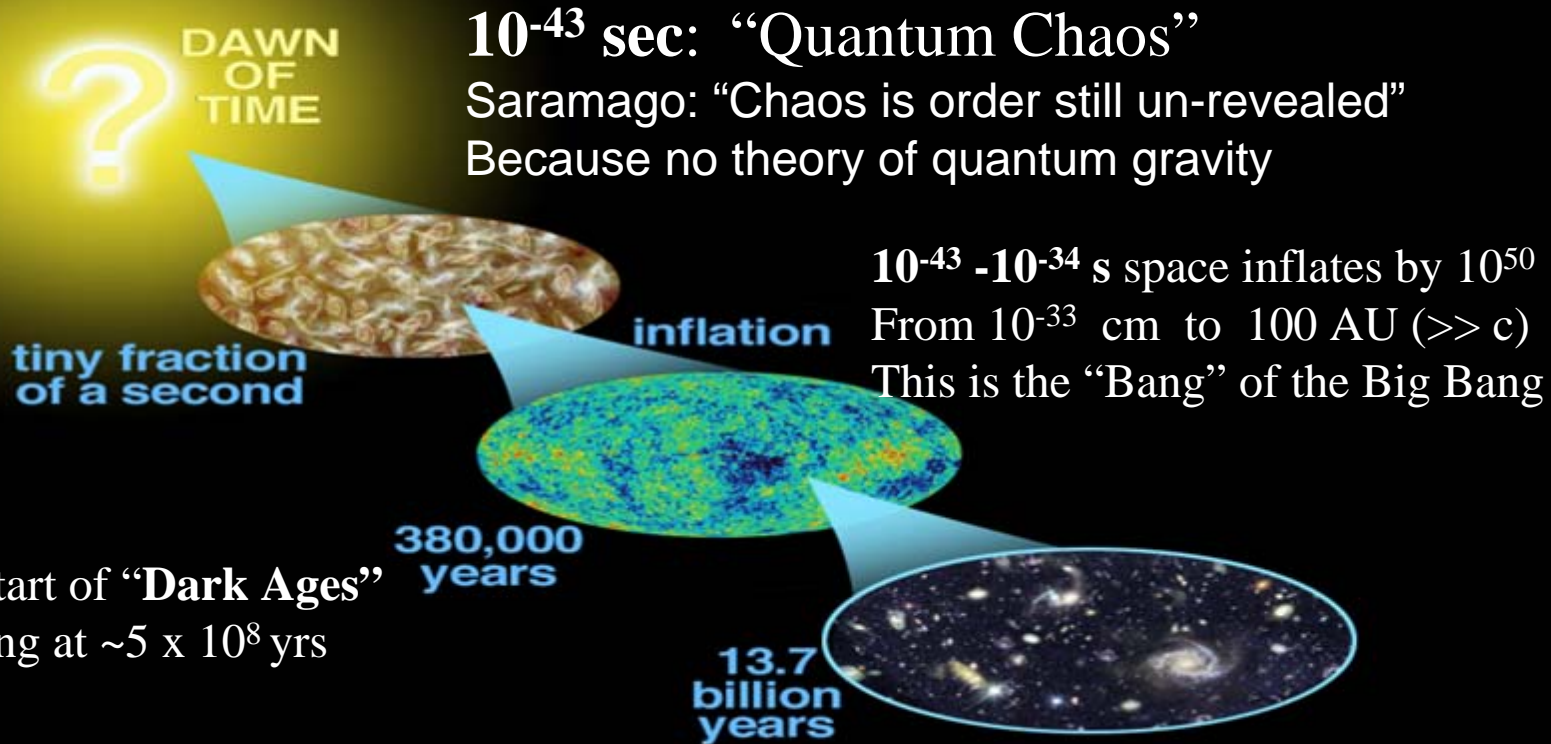


- Seen in ~ 6 μ QSOs and several AGN
- Asymmetry due to gravitational redshift & transverse-Doppler shift
- Broad component from inner disk

μ QSOs ARE THE BEST LABORATORIES TO STUDY IN SHORT TIME
SCALES THE Fe K α LINES AS A FUNCTION OF X-RAY STATE

BLACK HOLES AND THE EVOLUTION OF THE UNIVERSE

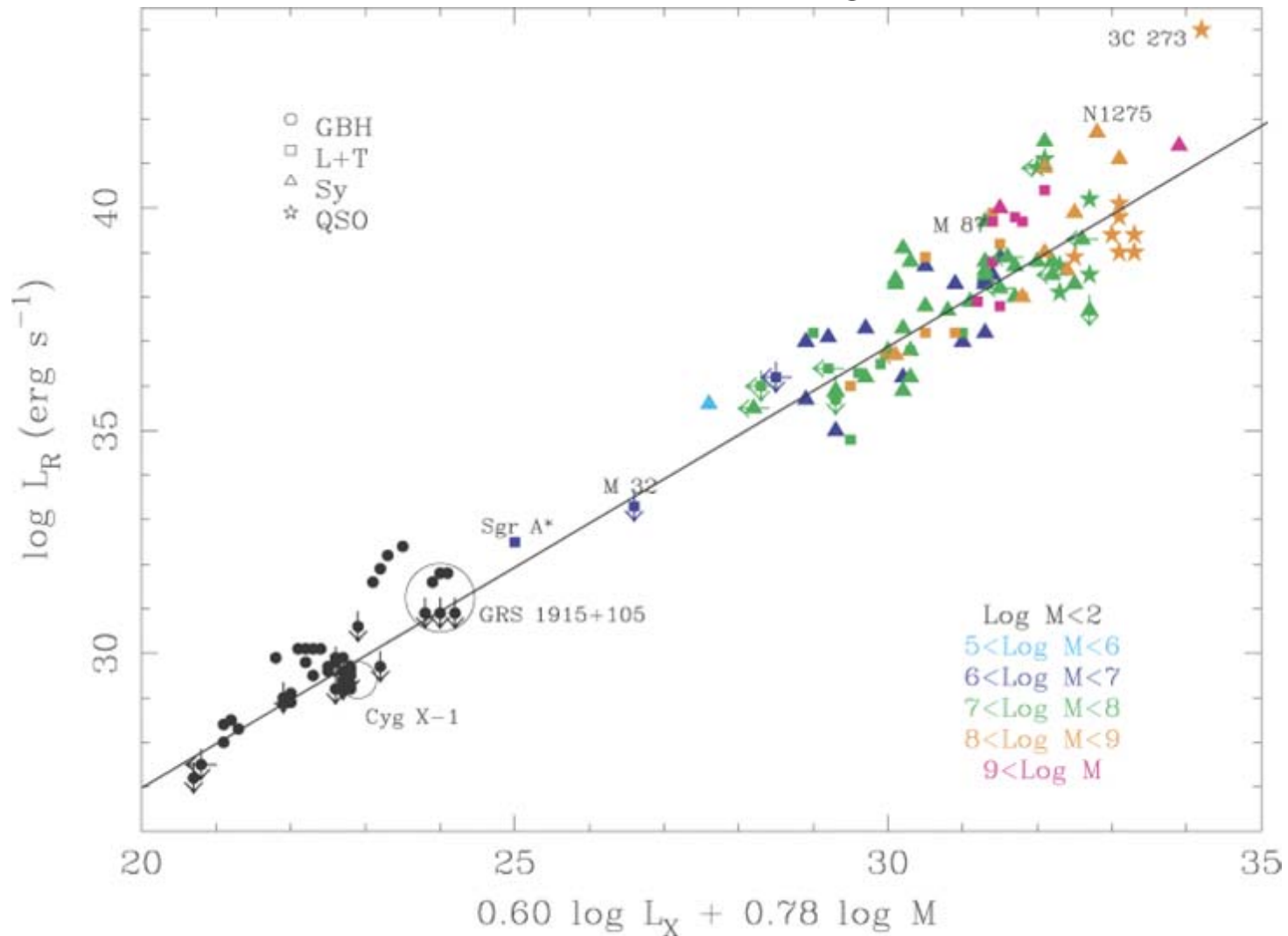
Analogous singularities: Black Holes & “Big Bang”



- **Stellar Black Holes & Massive Stars ended the “Dark Ages”**
- **Super-Massive Black Holes limited the growth of galaxies**

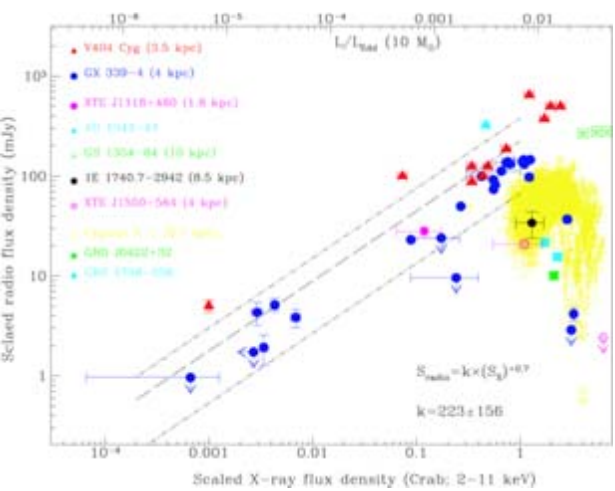
IS THERE A BLACK HOLE FUNDAMENTAL PLANE ?

Merloni et al. Falke, Koerding et al.

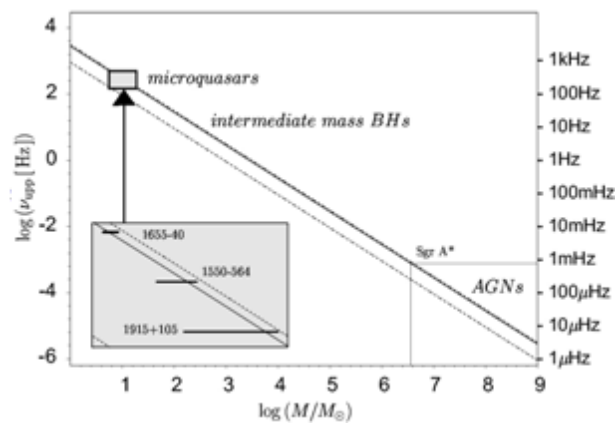


IF THE EMPIRICAL CORRELATIONS

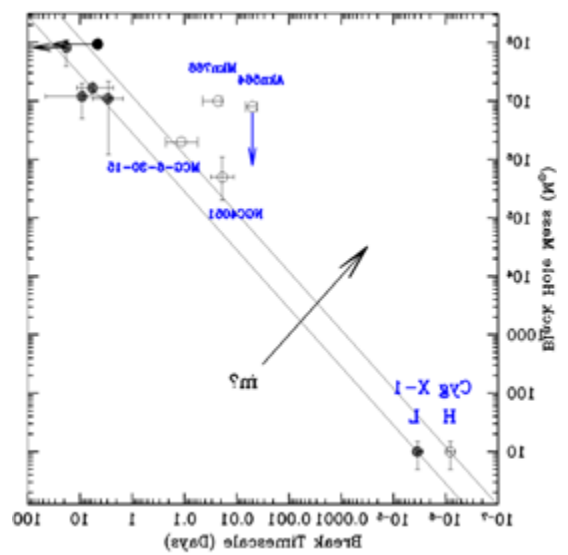
X-ray/radio/mass
Gallo et al. 2004



QPOs/mass
Abramovics, 2005



Noise-spectrum/mass
Uttley et al. 2004



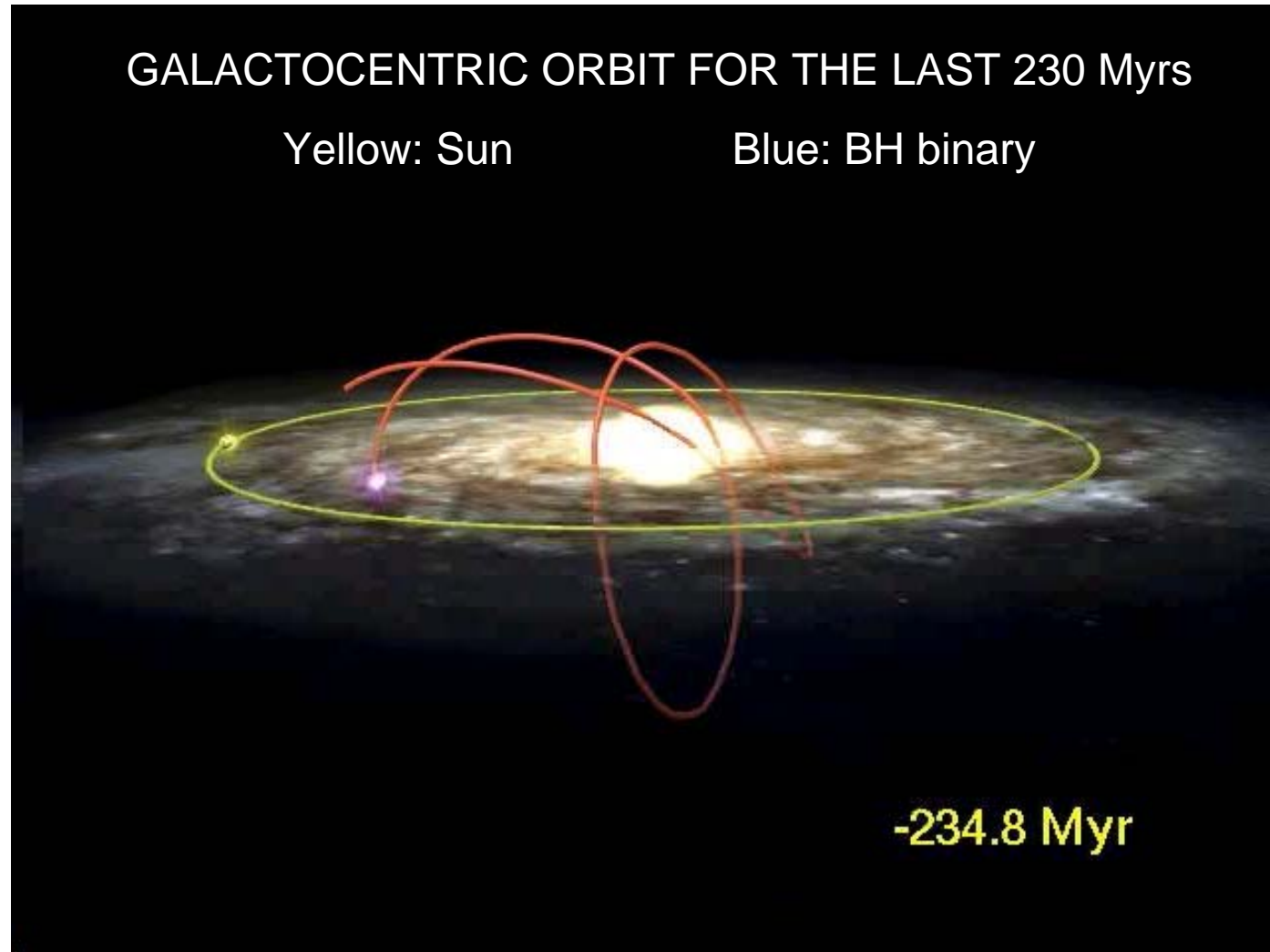
BECOME MORE ROBUST, INDEPENDENTLY OF THE MODELS, THE MASS AND SPIN OF BLACK HOLES WILL BE DETERMINED

HISTORICAL & EPISTEMOLOGICAL ANALOGIES BETWEEN STELLAR & BH ASTROPHYSICS

- BH ASTROPHYSICS IS TODAY IN SIMILAR SITUATION AS STELLAR ASTROPHYSICS IN THE FIRST DECADES OF THE XX CENTURY WHEN THE HR DIAGRAM WAS ESTABLISHED.
- IN BOTH AREAS OF ASTROPHYSICS, EMPIRICAL CORRELATIONS PRECEDED THE DEEP PHYSICAL UNDERSTANDING OF THE OBJECTS (STARS AND BHs). FROM OBSERVABLES CAN BE DERIVED THE MASS AND SPIN OF STARS AND BLACK HOLES.

THE GALACTIC TRIP OF SCORPIUS X-1

Mirabel & Rodrigues (A&A 398, L25, 2003)



GLOBAL CLUSTERS ARE FACTORIES OF XRBs

A RUNAWAY BLACK HOLE

GRO J1655-40: $M_{\text{BH}} \sim 4\text{-}6 M_{\odot}$

ORBITS FOR THE LAST 230 Myrs

Yellow: Sun

White: BH binary



-234.8 Myr

**FOSSIL OF A GRB FORMED
IN AN HYPER-NOVA ?**

(Israelian et al. Nature 2001)

Mirabel, Irapuan Rodrigues et al.

(A&A 395, 595, 2002)

Proper motion with HST +

radial velocity from ground

RUNAWAY VELOCITY ~ 120 km/s

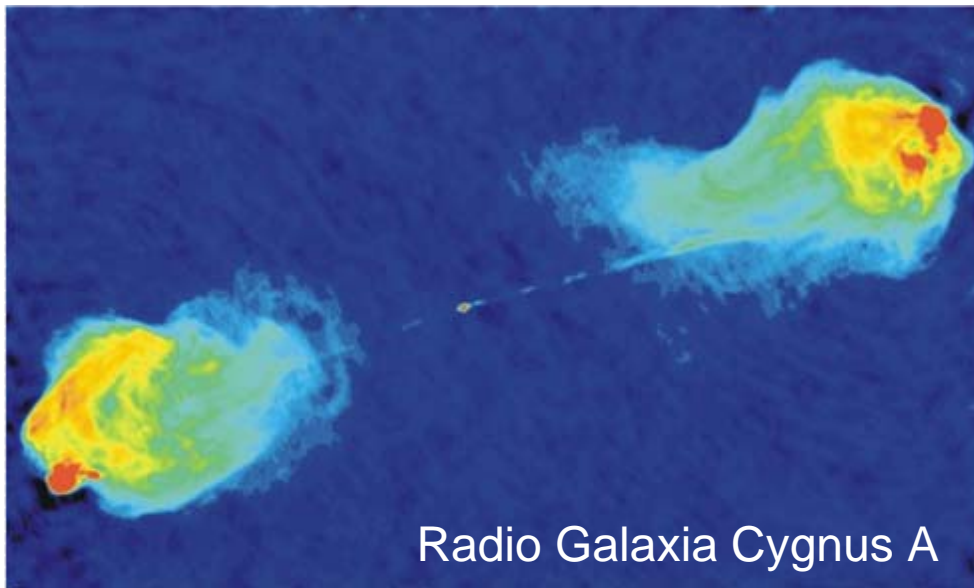
MOMENTUM = $550 M_{\odot}$ km/s

as in runaway neutron stars

**LOW-MASS BLACK HOLES FORM
WITH ENERGETIC SUPERNOVAE ?**

QUASARS & RADIO-GALAXIES

IN 1970's THE TIME VARIABILITY IN QUASARS & RELATIVISTIC JETS IN RADIO GALAXIES **SUGGESTED** THE EXISTENCE OF SUPERMASSIVE BLACK HOLES



Radio Galaxia Cygnus A

~500.000 años luz

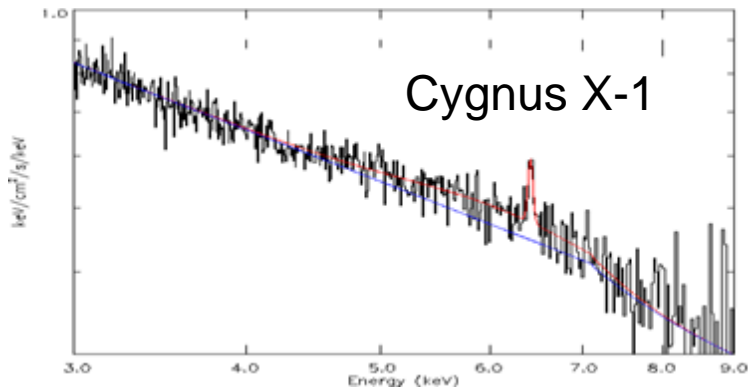
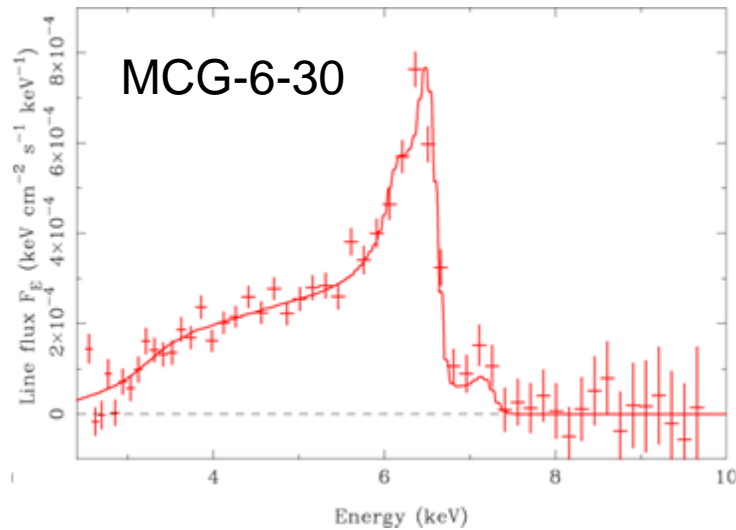


Magnetohydrodynamics

RELATIVISTIC JETS ARE POWERED AND COLLIMATED BY:

- Angular momentum of the compact object
- Angular momentum of the accretion disk
- Entrained magnetic fields

Fe $K\alpha$ LINES FROM ACCRETING BHs



CHANDRA, XMM & Beppo-SAX

- Asymmetry: gravitational redshift, Doppler & transverse-Doppler shift
- Narrow component from outer disk ?
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SPINNING BLACK HOLES ?

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