

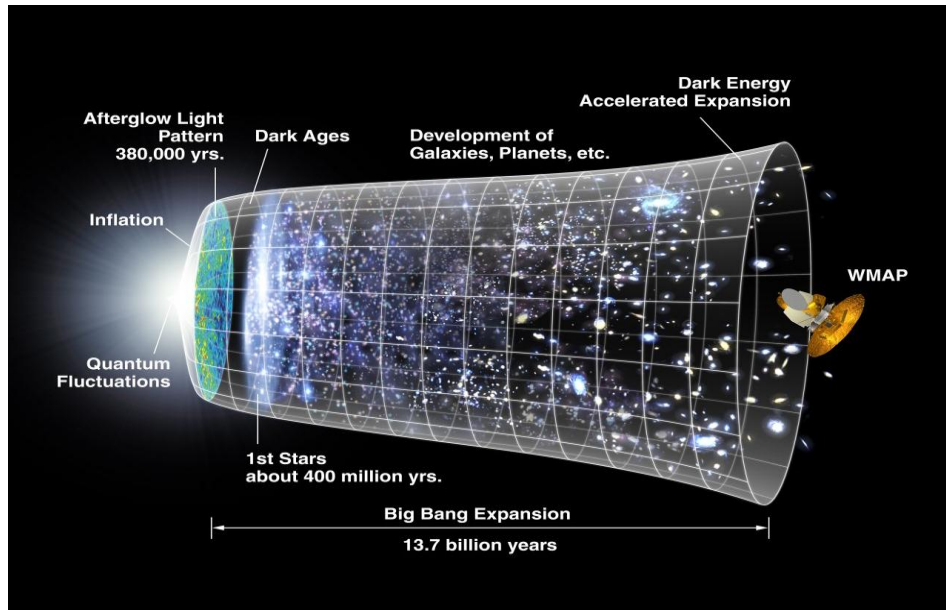
# STELLAR BLACK HOLES AT THE DAWN OF THE UNIVERSE

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# THE « DARK AGES »: A MAJOR FRONTIER IN COSMOLOGY



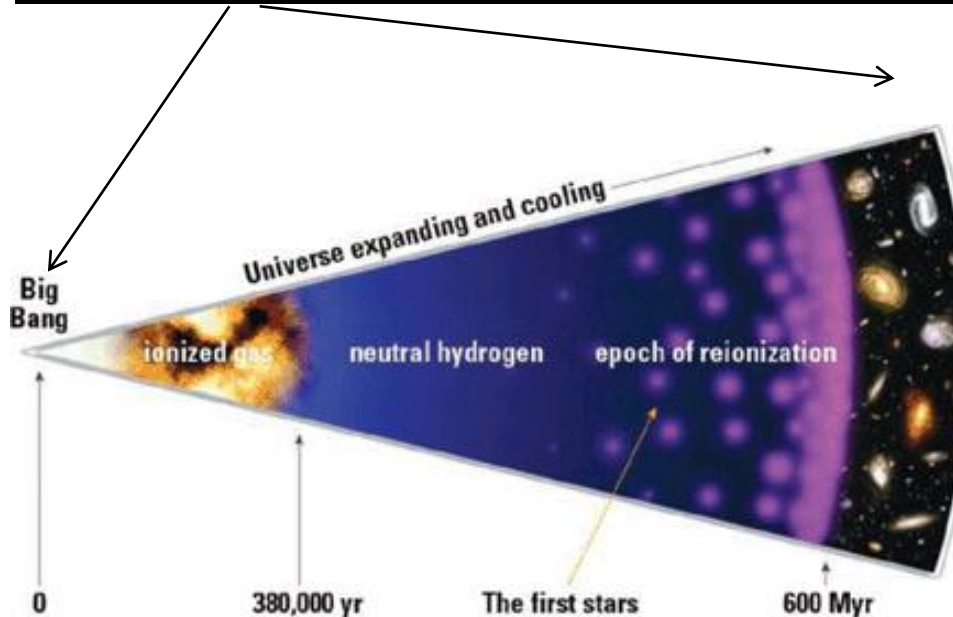
## THE « SWISS CHEESE » MODEL

for the re-ionization of the IGM:

- The IGM was fully ionized by the UV from the first stars (Pop III & II) producing expanding Stromgrén spheres

A question of topical interest:

- What is the topology of the redshifted HI?



**However, several observations suggest the possible existence of heating sources of the IGM at redshift  $z > 9$**

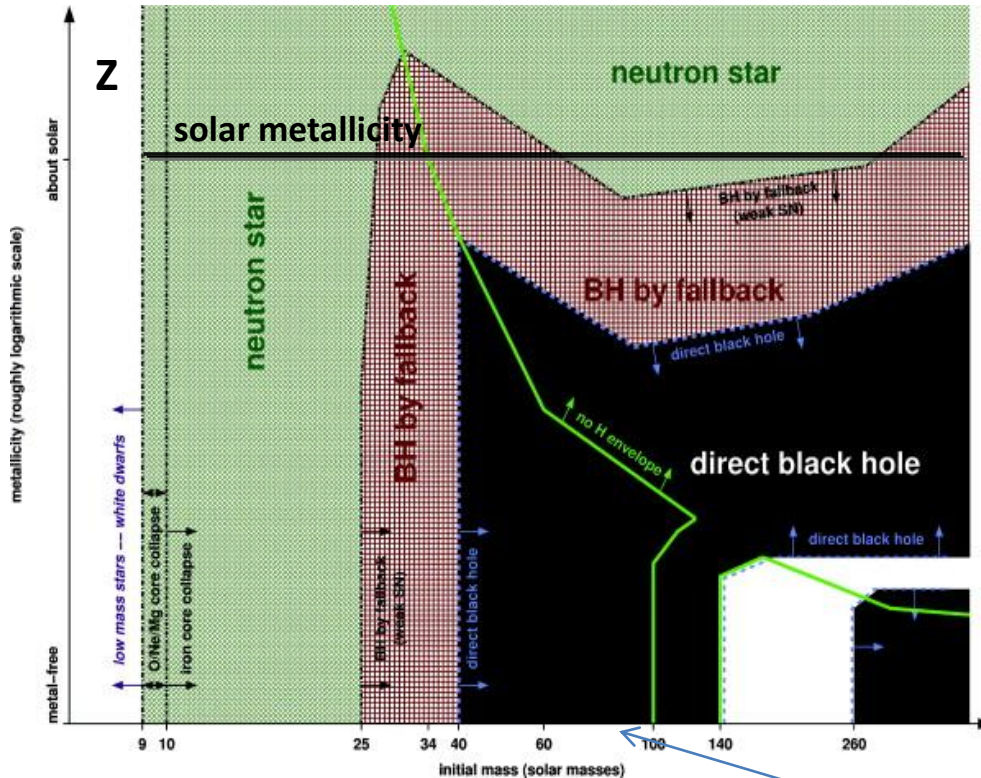
**From recent results in Stellar Evolution, Galaxy Evolution, & High Energy Astrophysics and Cosmology**

**I propose that at  $z > 8$  there has been a large population of Black Hole High Mass X-Ray Binaries (BH-HMXBs), which played an important role** (different to “miniquasars” of Madau+).

This hypothesis is based on models & observations:

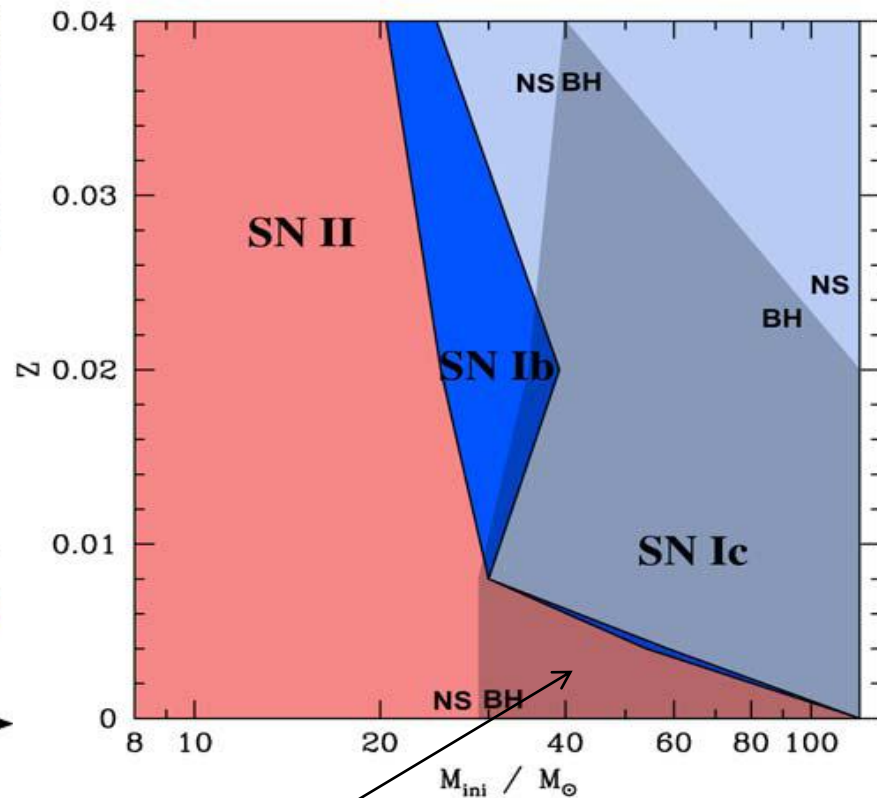
# MODELS ON THE FORMATION OF COMPACT OBJECTS BY THE COLLAPSE OF SINGLE STARS

**with no rotation** (Heger+ 2003)



Mass of progenitor star

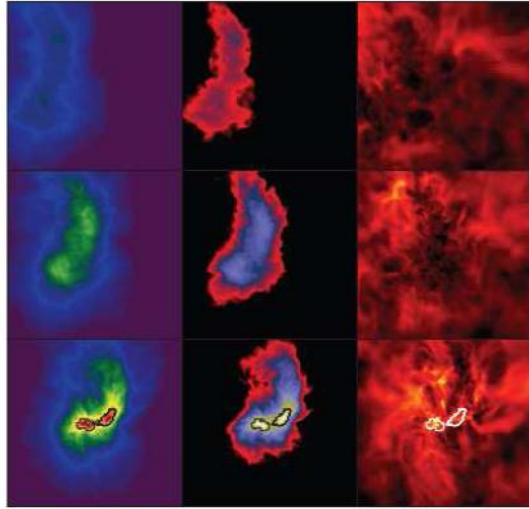
**with rotation** (Georgy+ 2009)



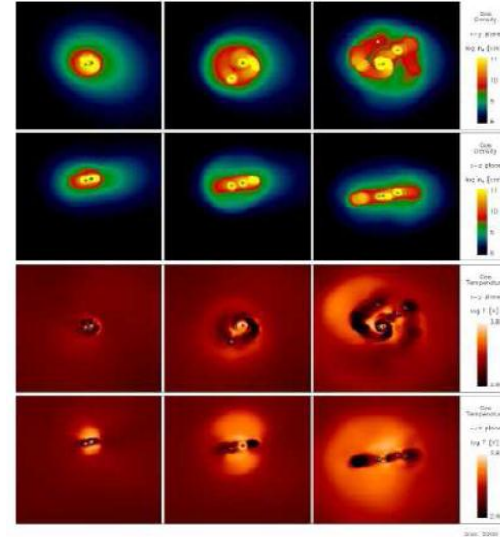
**Low metal progenitors form BHs by IMPLOSION** (Fryer, 1999)

But following recent results, **binarity** is important for the end of massive stars

# MASSIVE STARS ARE FORMED IN MULTIPLE SYSTEMS



Turk, Abel & O'Shea (Science 2009)  
Krumholz et al. (Science 2009)



Stacy, Greif & Bromm (ApJ 2010)  
Fragmentation: Clark+ (Science 2011)

- 1) **Pop III stars were multiple systems dominated by binaries with  $10\text{-}100 M_{\odot}$**   
**This is consistent with no signatures of PISNe** (Becker+ 2011; Frebel, 2011)
- 2) **Observations in MW  $\Rightarrow$   $>70\%$  of OB type stars are binaries** (e.g. Chini+, 2011)
- 3) **Protostellar Feedback limited the mass of Pop IIIs to  $< 43 M_{\odot}$**  (Hosokawa+ 2011)

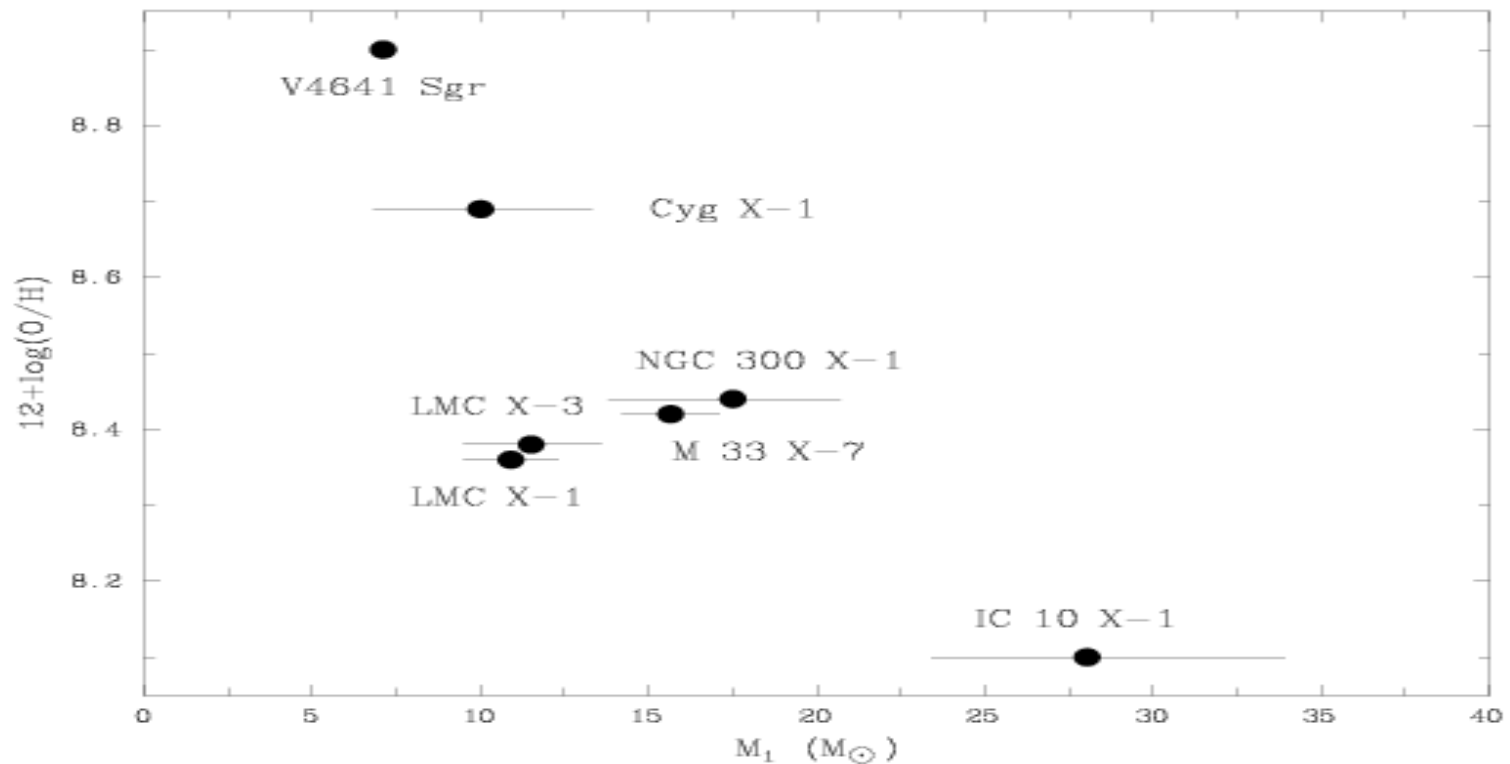
**THEORY  $\Rightarrow$  A LARGE FRACTION OF THE Pop III & II END AS BH-HMXBs**



If the mass lost in low metallicity progenitors is relatively small, the collapsing cores should be more massive, leading to more massive compact remnants

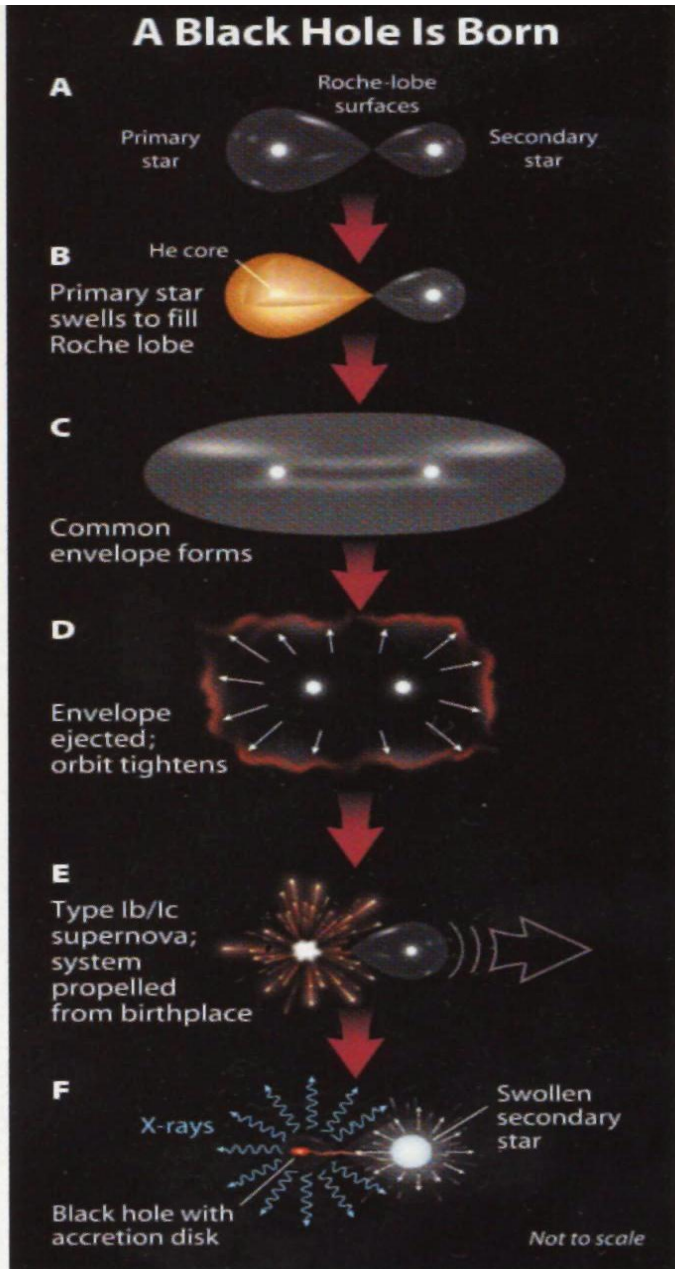
## THE MASS OF BHs IN HMXBs SEEMS TO BE A DECREASING FUNCTION OF METALLICITY

Masses determined dynamically (Crowther et al. 2010)



The stellar BHs in the low metallicity galaxies M33 X-7, NGC300 X-1, IC10 X-1 have  $M_{BH} > 15 M_\odot$  whereas in the Galaxy and M31 all known stellar BHs have  $M_{BH} < 15 M_\odot$

# HOW ARE BLACK HOLE BINARIES FORM ?



## CORE COLLAPSE MODELS:

Massive stellar black holes ( $M > 10 M_{\odot}$ ) should form with no energetic kicks

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

**THESE CORE COLLAPSE MODELS CAN BE TESTED USING THE KINEMATICS OF  $\mu$ QSOs**

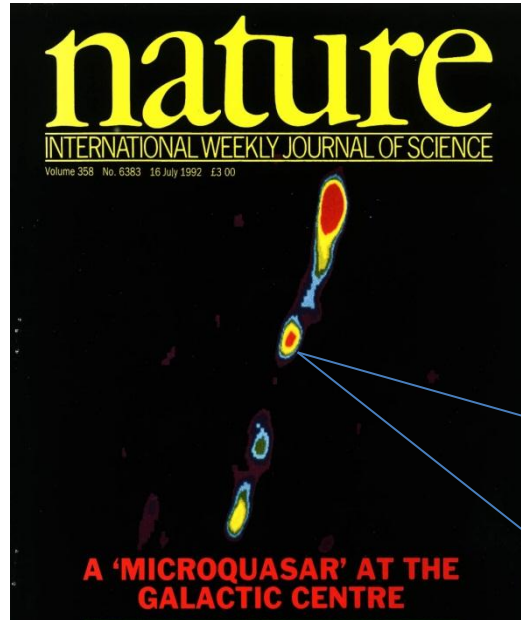
Mirabel & Irapuan Rodrigues (2001-2009)

# JETS IN MICROQUASARS

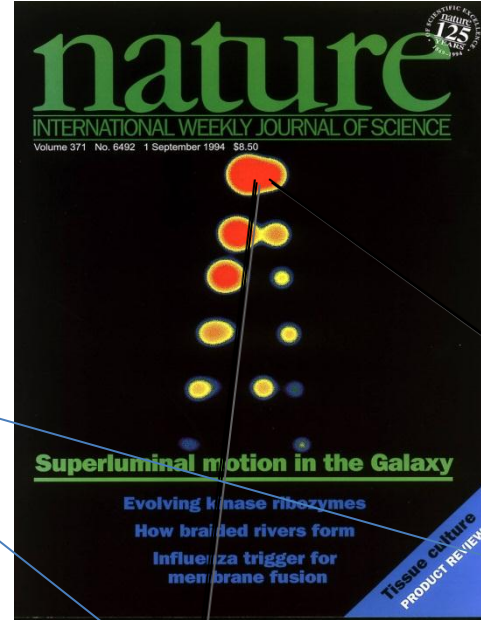
Mirabel, Rodríguez+ 1992

Mirabel & Rodríguez 1994

**STEADY  
JETS**



**TRANSIENT  
JETS**



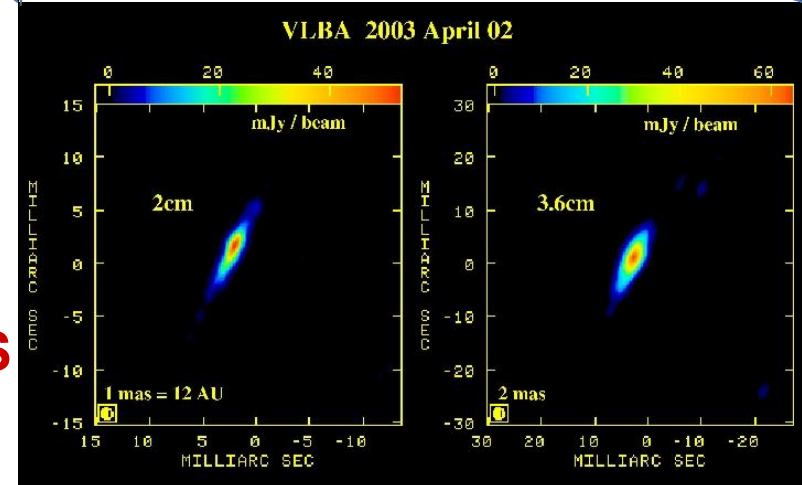
**COMPACT JETS**

In low hard state. Size  $\sim 100$  AU. Same PA

**USED TO DETERMINE PROPER MOTIONS**

(with VLBI to get sub-miliarc sec precision)

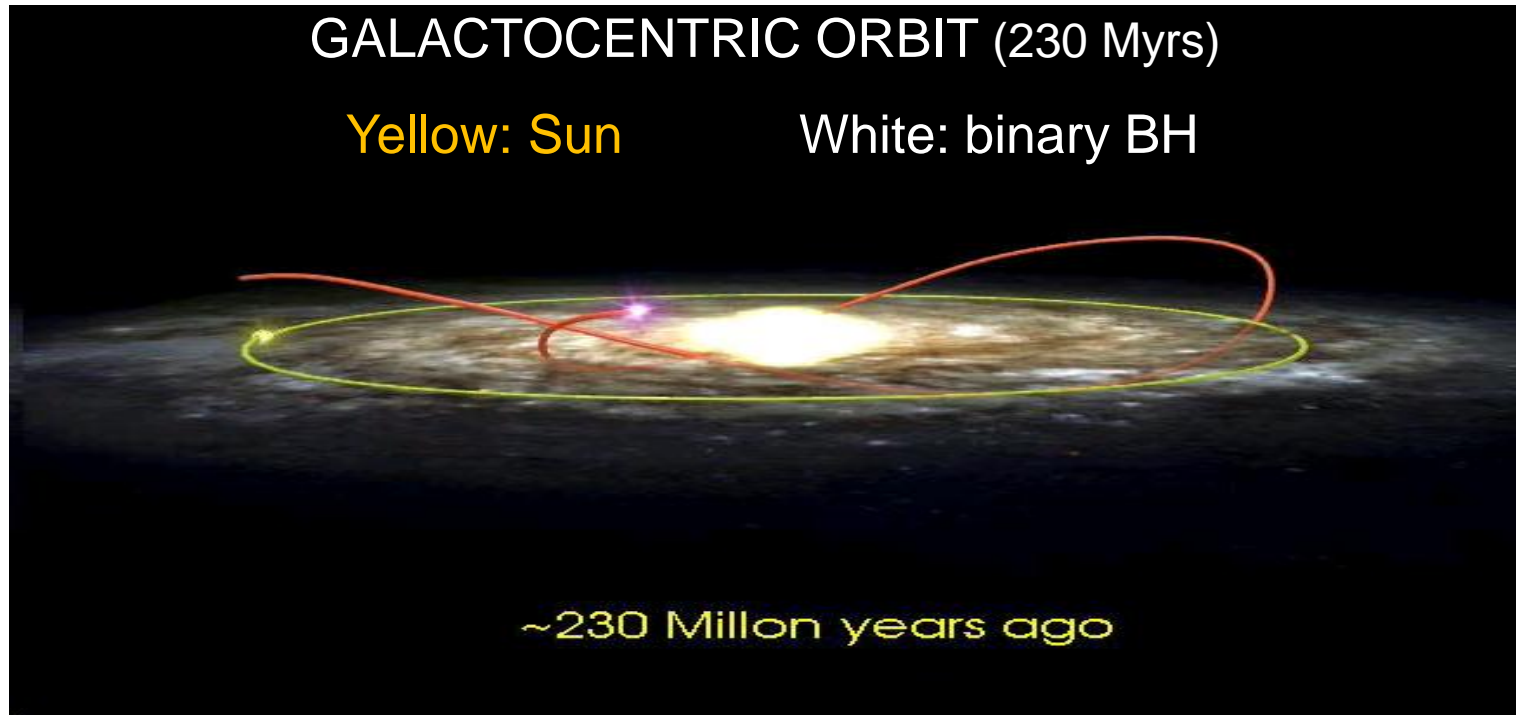
Dhawan, Mirabel, Rodríguez (2007)



# RUNAWAY BLACK HOLES

XTE J1118+480  $M_{\text{BH}} \sim 7 M_{\odot}$   $M_{*} \sim 0.4 M_{\odot}$  kpc;  $V_p = 145\text{-}210$  km/s

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



GRO J1655-40: Fossil of a HPN (Israelian et al. Nature 1999)

$M_{\text{BH}} \sim 5\text{-}7 M_{\odot}$   $M_{*} \sim 2 M_{\odot}$ ;  $D = 1\text{-}3$  kpc;  $V_p = 112 \pm 18$  km/s (Mirabel et al. 2002)

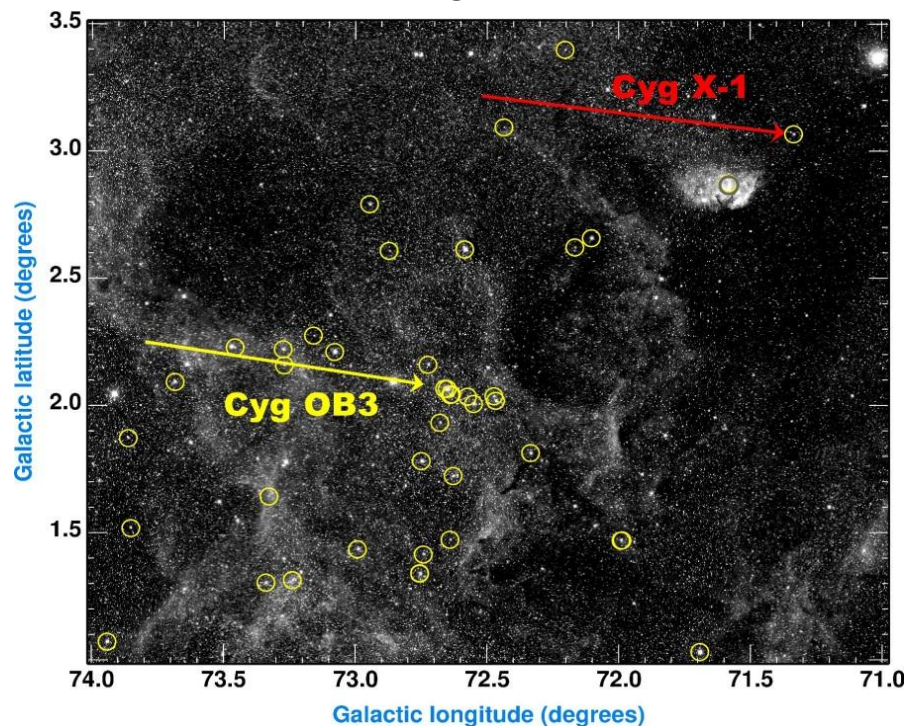
THE TWO BHs WITH  $5\text{-}7 M_{\odot}$  DID NOT REMAIN IN THEIR BIRTH PLACE

$\Rightarrow$  **BHs OF LOW MASS FORM THROUGH A SNe PHASE**



# BLACK HOLES OF $> 10 M_{\odot}$ FORM BY DIRECT COLLAPSE (“IMPLOSION”)

Mirabel & Rodrigues (Science, 2003)



## Cygnus X-1

$V_p < 9 \pm 2$  km/s  $\Rightarrow < 1 M_{\odot}$  ejected in a SN  
confirmed by Gou, McClintock+ (2011)

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

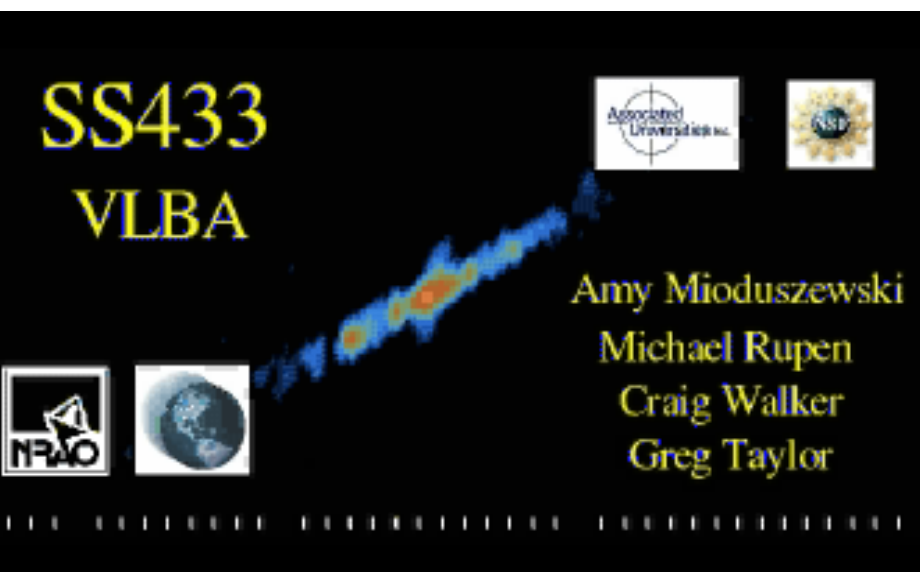
**THE  $\sim 10 M_{\odot}$  BH IN Cyg X-1 WAS  
FORM BY DIRECT COLLAPSE**

**GRS 1915+105:**  $V_p = 50-80$  km/s &  $W = 7 \pm 3$  km/s (Dhawan, Mirabel, Rodríguez 2001)

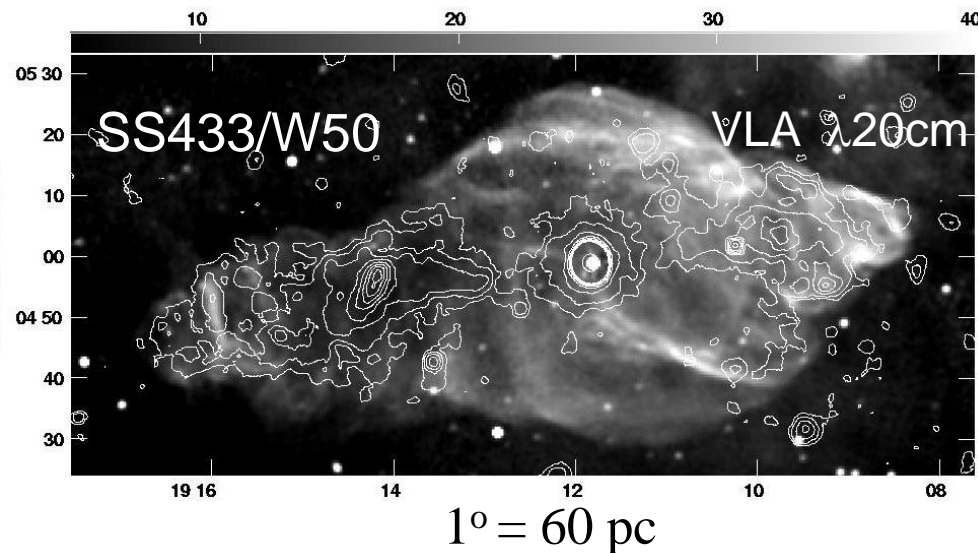
**V404 Cyg:**  $V_p = 45-100$  km/s &  $W = 0.2 \pm 3$  km/s (Miller-Jones et al. 2009)

**MOST OF THE MASSIVE STELLAR BINARIES END AS BH-HMXBs**

# POWERFUL JETS FROM BH-HMXBs ( $\mu$ QSOs)



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**

# ULTRALUMINOUS X-RAY SOURCES (ULXs)

THE OCCURRENCE RATE OF ULXs PER UNIT GALAXY MASS IS AN INCREASING FUNCTION OF THE SFR AND A DECREASING FUNCTION OF THE METALLICITY  
e.g. Zampieri & Roberts (2009)

Fabbiano et al.

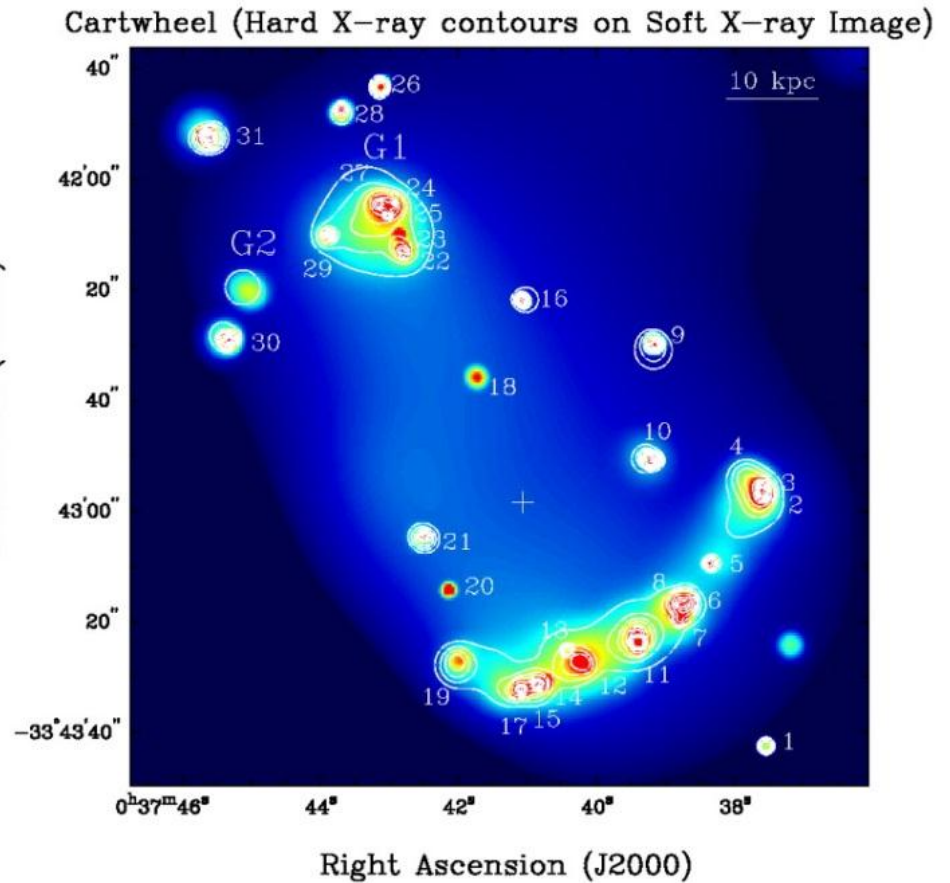
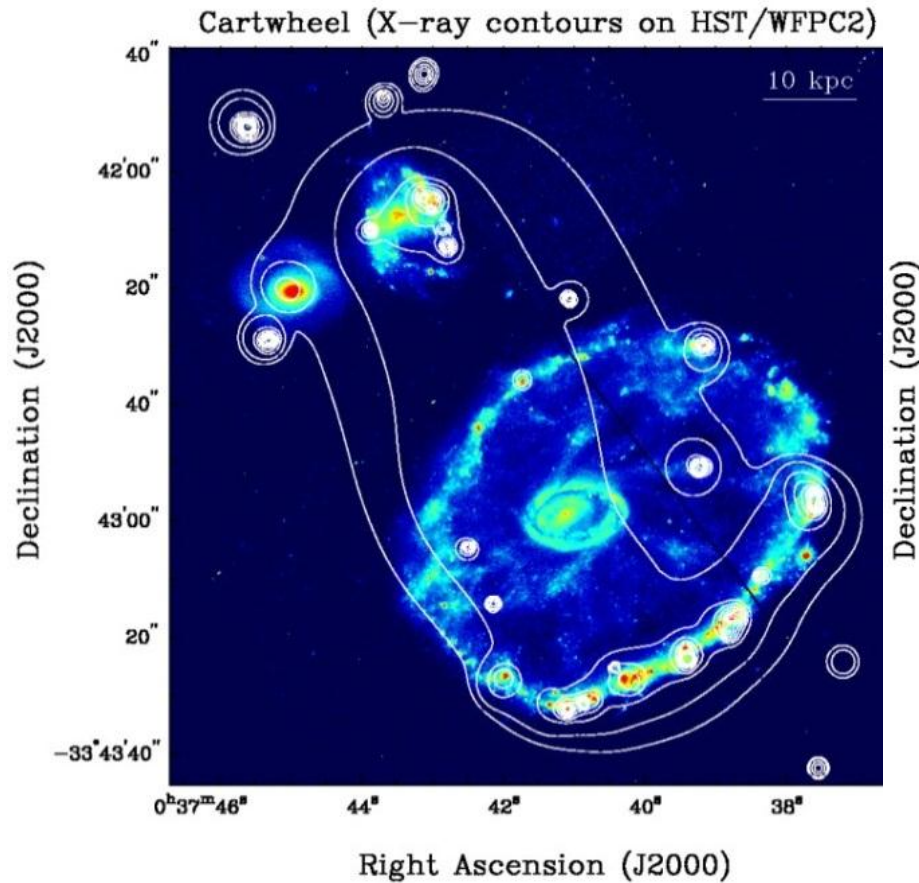
X-ray (Chandra)



Antennae



# ULXs IN TEMPLATES OF HIGH $z$ GALAXIES



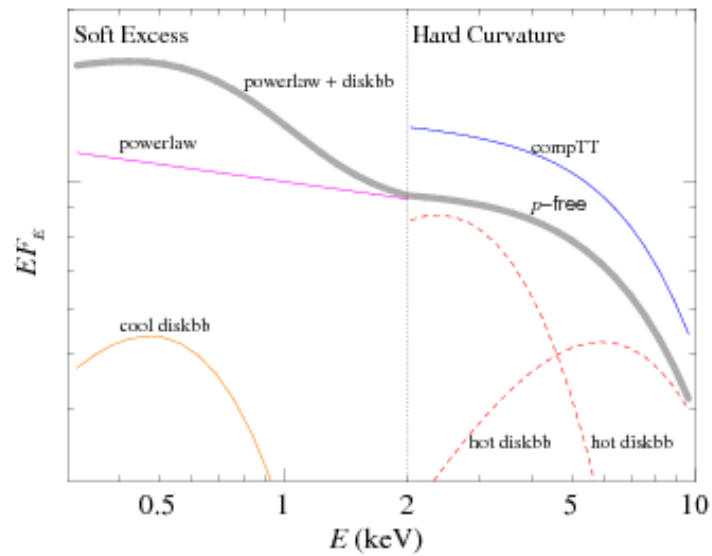
The ULXs luminosity of  $\sim 10^{42}$  erg s $^{-1}$  in the Cartwheel rivals that of AGN

(Gao+ 2003)

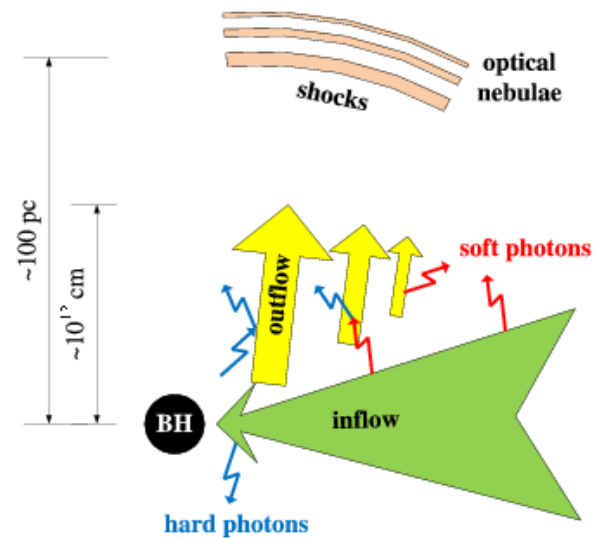


# BH-HMXBs IN STAR-FORMING GALAXIES OF LOW METALLICITY

The spectra are soft

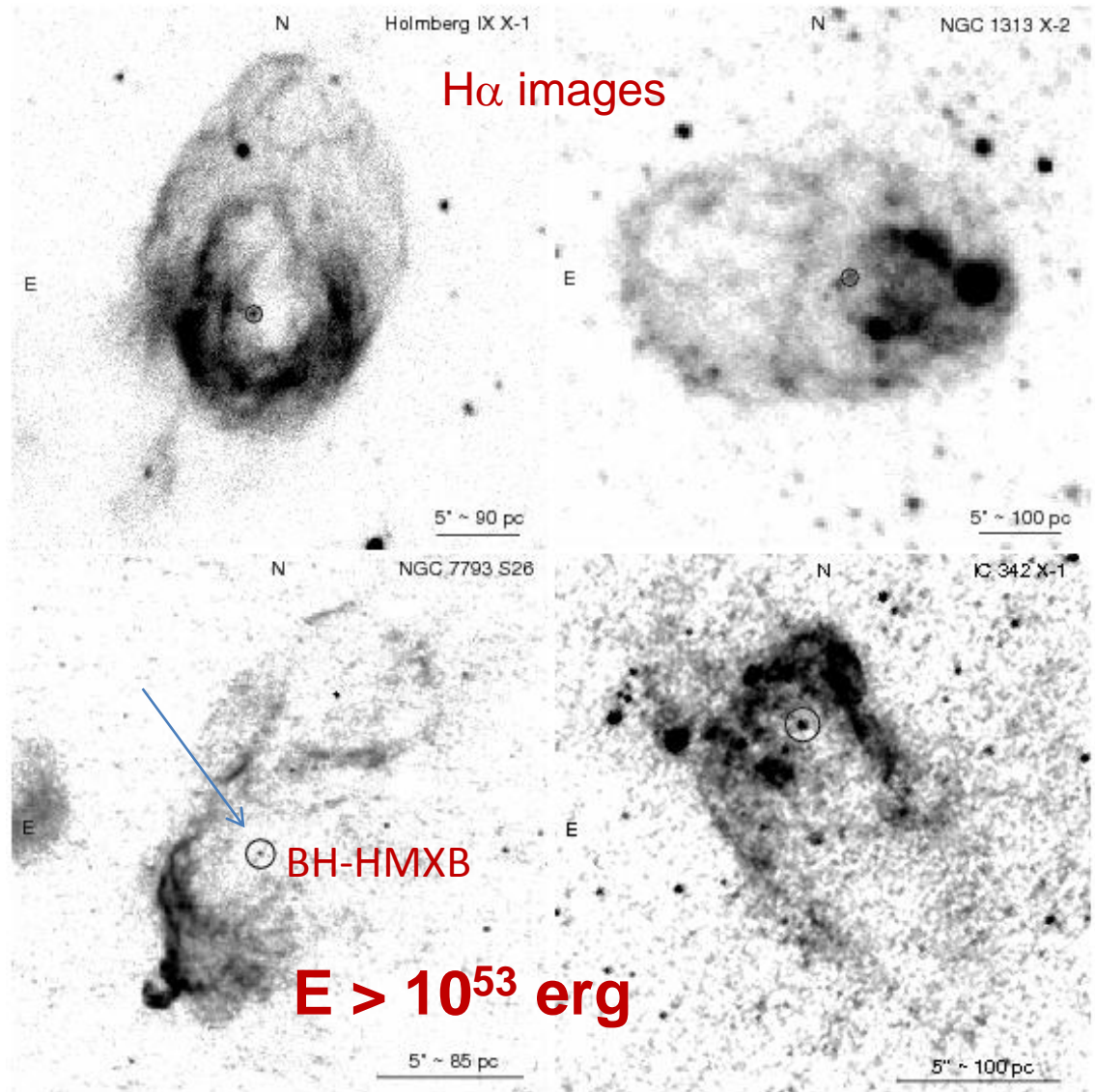


Massive outflows



From Feng & Soria (2011)

shock & photonionized bubbles of > 100 pc size

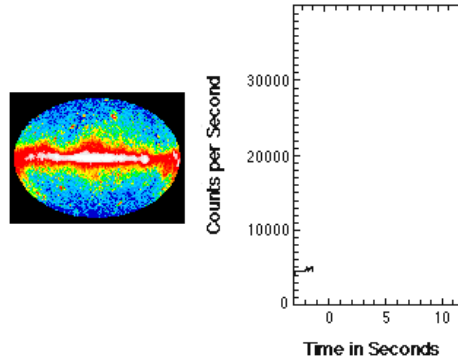


# GAMMA-RAY BURST = FORMATION OF STELLAR BLACK HOLES

## THE MOST ENERGETIC EXPLOSIONS AFTER THE “BIG BANG”

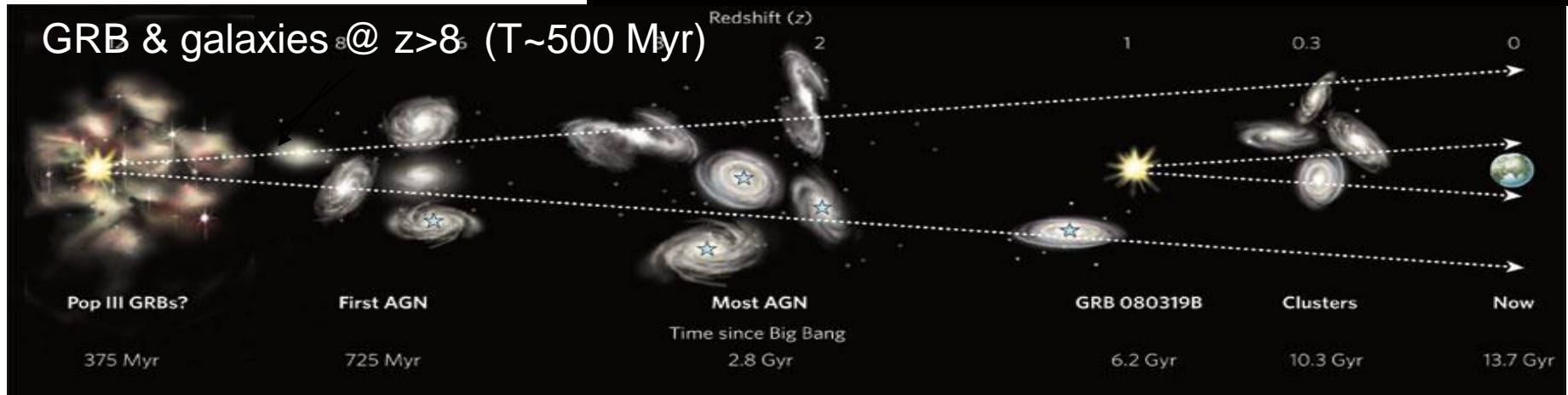
Stellar collapse & super-relativistic jets

Associated to Hiper-novae (SNe Ic)



or by implosion (Mirabel & Rodrigues, Science)

GRB & galaxies @  $z > 8$  ( $T \sim 500$  Myr)

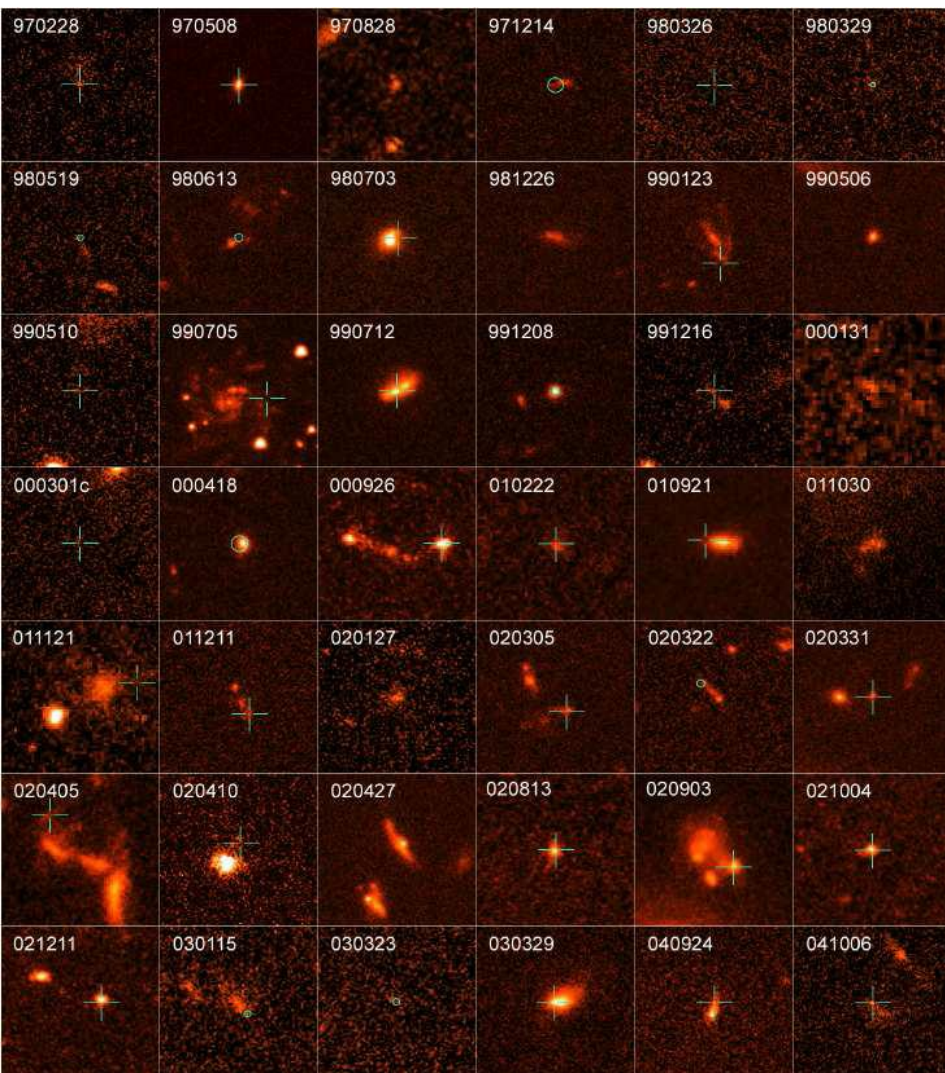


Universal time line since the formation of the first stars

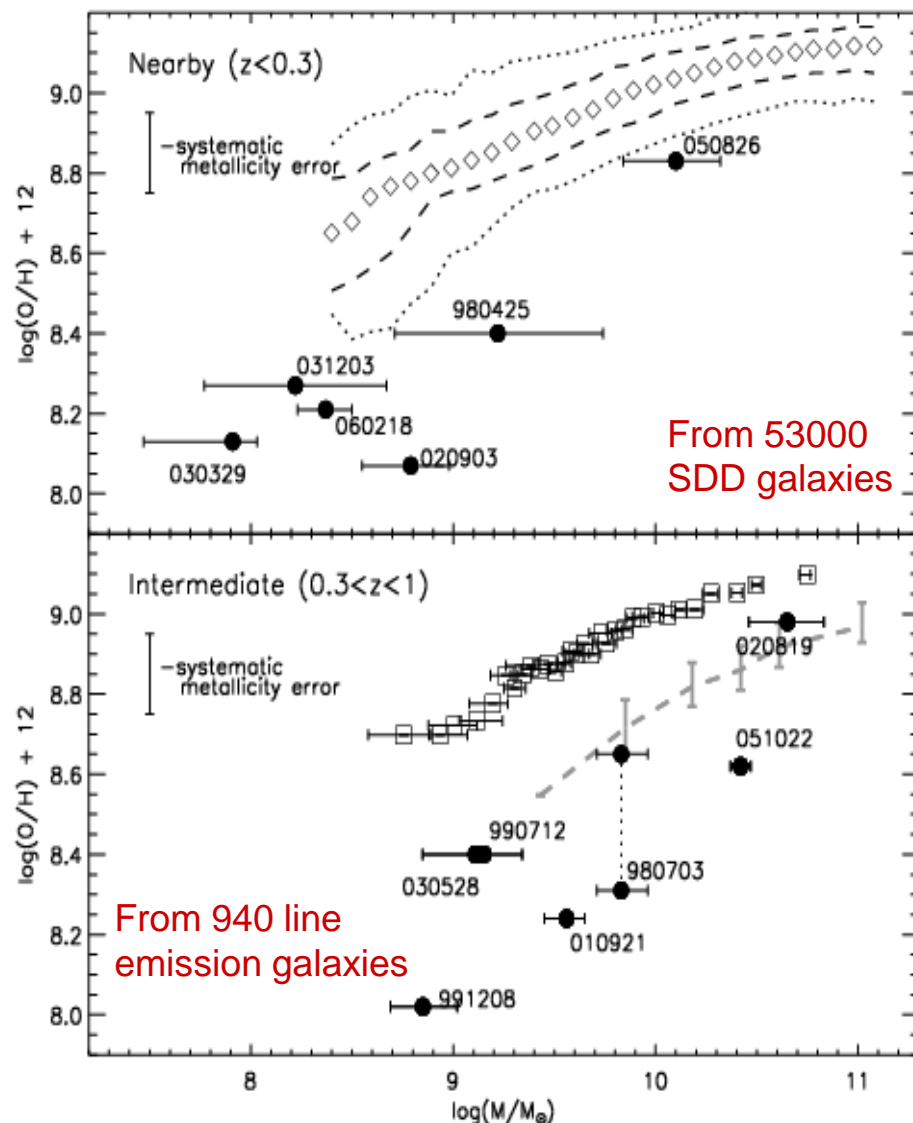
# HOSTS OF LGRBs ARE SMALL IRR. GALAXIES WITH HIGH SSFR & RELATIVE LOW METALLICITY

Le Floc'h, Duc, Mirabel with VLT (2003)

Fruchter + with HST (Nature, 2006)



Levesque et al. (2010)





Because massive stars with low  $Z$  end as black holes by direct collapse

## **THE COSMIC EVOLUTION OF METALLICITY ⇒ A COSMIC EVOLUTION OF BH-HMXBs**

- **THE FRACTION OF BLACK HOLES/NEUTRON STARS**
  - **THE FRACTION OF BINARY/SINGLE BLACK HOLES**
- SHOULD INCREASE WITH REDSHIFT**

Beyond the theoretical uncertainties (e.g. mixing due to rotation in Pop III stars), the observation of ULXs in the Local Universe support this hypothesis

WHAT ARE THE COSMOLOGICAL IMPLICATIONS OF LARGE POPULATIONS OF BH-HMXRBs DURING THE DARK AGES THAT LASTED FROM  $4 \times 10^4$  up to  $10^9$  yr?



# Ionizing power of $\mu$ QSOs versus ionizing power of massive stars

**Counting ionizing photons** Mirabel, Laurent (Saclay), Loeb, Diskra, Pritchard (Harvard)

$$\frac{N_{\gamma,BH}}{N_{\gamma,*}} = 0.6 \left( \frac{N_{phot}}{64000} \right)^{-1} \left( \frac{M_{BH}}{M_*} \right) \left( \frac{f_{edd}}{0.1} \right) \left( \frac{t_{acc}}{20 Myr} \right) \left( \frac{\langle E \rangle_{\gamma}}{keV} \right)^{-1} \left( \frac{f_{esc,*}}{0.1} \right)^{-1} \left( \frac{f_{esc,BH}}{1.0} \right),$$

$f_{edd}$  = fraction of Eddington luminosity for a time  $t_{acc}$

$N_{phot}$  = number of ionizing photons emitted per atom of H nucleus

$\langle E \rangle_{\gamma}$  = mean photon energy emitted by the accreting BH

$f_{esc,*}$  ( $f_{esc,BH}$ ) = fraction of ionizing photons that escape

For fiducial values of the model parameters:

**THE ACCRETING BLACK HOLE EMITS A TOTAL NUMBER OF IONIZING PHOTONS THAT IS COMPARABLE TO THAT OF ITS PROGENITOR STAR**

- But in a fully neutral medium  $N_{sec*} = 25 (E_{\gamma}/1 \text{ keV})$ , where  $E_{\gamma}$  is the photon energy

However, not all stars will be massive and lead to the formation of BH-HMXBs...

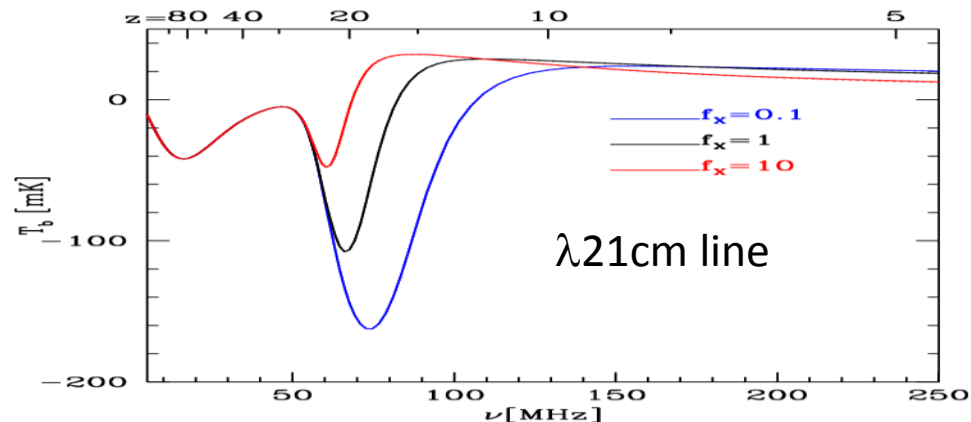
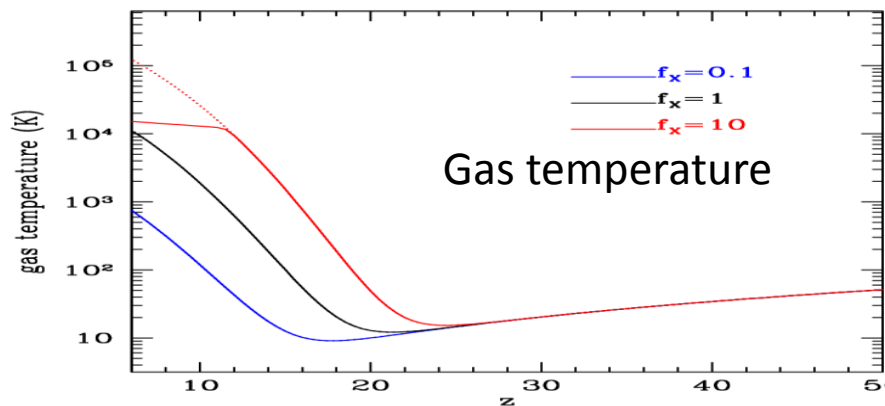
# STELLAR BLACK HOLES IN THE DARK AGES

$$L_{2-10} = f_X \times 3.5 \times 10^{40} \text{ SFR} \quad \text{erg/s} \quad f_X \text{ does not seem to change up to } z=4$$

Correlation between X-ray luminosity and SFR.  $f_X = 0.2$  at  $z < 1.3$  (Mineo, Gilfanov, Sunyaev, 2012), but in BCDs  $f_X > 10$  times greater than in normal-metallicity star-forming galaxies (Kaaret+ 2011) & in local analogs of Lyman Break Galaxies  $L_X \sim 10^{42} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$  (Jia, Heckman+, 2011)

$$f_X = \frac{f_{2-10} f_{BH} t_{acc} f_{bin} f_{edd} \times 1.5 \times 10^{38}}{3.5 \times 10^{40}} = \underset{4.0}{0.4} \left( \frac{f_{2-10}}{0.1} \right) \left( \frac{f_{BH}}{0.01} \right) \left( \frac{f_{edd}}{0.1} \right) \underset{0.5}{\left( \frac{f_{bin}}{0.05} \right)} \left( \frac{t_{acc}}{20 \text{ Myr}} \right)$$

At  $Z < 10^{-5} Z_\odot$  the IMF is top heavy and flat  $\Rightarrow f_X$  may increase at  $z > 6$



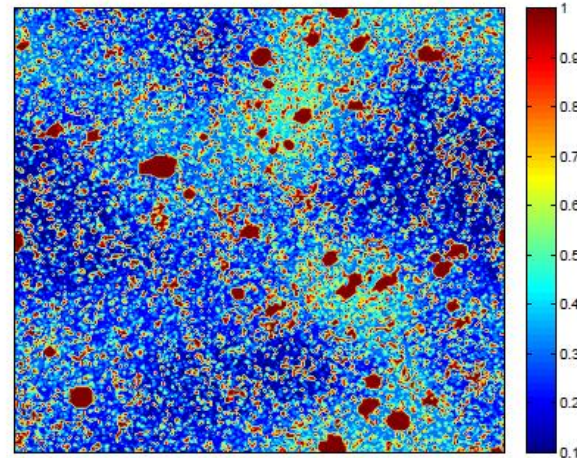
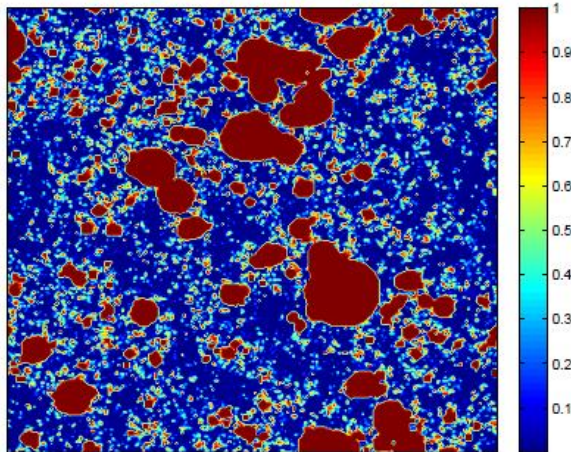
**• BH-HMXBs HEATED THE IGM TO  $\sim 10^4$  K OVER LARGE VOLUMES ?**  
**GMRT  $\lambda 21\text{cm}$  @  $z \sim 9 \Rightarrow$  Was the IGM heated before being fully ionized? (Paciga+ 2011)**

# HI TOPOLOGY

Will the  $\lambda 21\text{cm}$  signals from HI at high  $z$  (to be measured with LOWFAR, SKA, and single dipole experiments as EDGES), have large amplitudes and be more uniform rather than HII region dominated, having no so patchy “Swiss cheese” topology?

Ionization fractions for 0% and 50% X-rays at  $z=9$  for a slice of  $170 \times 170 \times 0.66 \text{ Mpc}^3$  (Visbal & Loeb, 2011)

X-rays = 0



X-rays = 50%

# **BH-HMXBs LIMITED THE MASS OF DWARF GALAXIES**

From Loeb (2010):  $T_{\text{vir}} = 1.04 \times 10^4 (\mu/0.6) (M/10^8 M_{\odot})^{2/3} [(1+z)/10] \text{ K}$

$$M_{\text{min}} \sim 10^9 (\rho/100\rho_c)^{-1/2} (\mu/0.6)^{-3/2} [T(\text{K})/10^4]^{3/2} [(1+z)/10]^{-3/2} M_{\odot}$$

$\rho_c$  = critical mass density for a flat universe,  $\rho$  = mass density in the galaxy

$\mu$  = mean molecular weight,  $z$  = redshift,  $T$  = temperature of the IGM

X-ray heating of the diffuse IGM during reionization resulted in an additional increase of the minimum galaxy mass. Once the IGM was heated to  $\sim 10^4 \text{ K}$  by the X-rays from BH-HMXBs, dark matter haloes with masses below a certain mass ( $10^8 M_{\odot}$ ) could not accrete gas from IGM.

- THE THERMAL HISTORY OF THE IGM DETERMINED BY STELLAR BLACK HOLES HAD AN IMPACT ON THE PROPERTIES OF THE FAINTEST GALAXIES AT HIGH  $z$  AND THE SMALLEST GALAXIES IN THE LOCAL UNIVERSE. BESIDES THE SN MECHANISM, FEEDBACK FROM STELLAR BLACK HOLES COULD ALSO BE CLAIMED TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF DWARFS PREDICED BY THE  $\lambda\text{CDM}$**



# **SOME CONCLUSIONS**

I) Could the BH-HMXBs with non-thermal emission up to 2 MeV, as in Cyg X-1, that formed at  $z > 7$ , be cosmic sources of the unresolved hard X-ray background ? (Diskra et al. 2012)

II) Could BH-BH stellar binaries be the more likely sources of gravitational waves to be detected ? (Belczynski et al. 2011)

**III) ARE THERE LARGE NUMBERS OF NAKED HALOS WITH MASSES  $< 10^{8-9} M_{\odot}$  IN THE IGM ?**

**IV) FEEDBACK FROM SUPERMASSIVE BHs MAY STOP THE UNLIMITED GROWTH OF MASSIVE GALAXIES IN CLUSTERS.  
FEEDBACK FROM STELLAR BHs DURING REIONIZATION MAY HAVE LIMITED THE MASS OF DWARF GALAXIES.**

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- Dopcke et al.: Flat and top heavy IMF at  $Z < 10^{-5} Z_{\odot}$  which implies that a change in  $f_x$  should significantly take place at very high redshifts ( $z > 6$ ), which is consistent with
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