

# Spica science with two mid-infrared arms

スピカの二つの中間赤外線アーム  
による研究



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~10-20  $\mu\text{m}$  and ~20-40  $\mu\text{m}$ : both justified?

# THE JAMES WEBB SPACE TELESCOPE

Low resolution spectroscopy  
(5-10 microns)

3000 nJy at 7.5 microns

Medium resolution spectroscopy  
(IFU, 10,000s per setting)

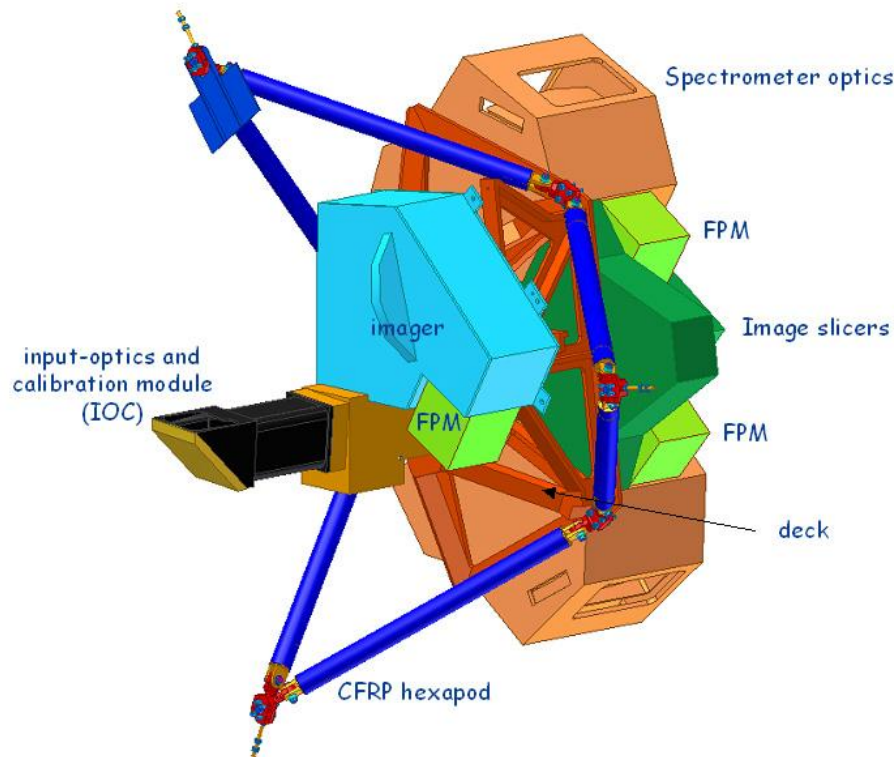
Lambda (Microns)	Line Flux ( $\text{W}/\text{m}^2$ )
6.4	$7.00\text{E}-21$
9.2	$1.00\text{E}-20$
14.5	$1.20\text{E}-20$
22.5	$6.00\text{E}-20$

MIRI Camera

Lambda (Microns)	microJansky
5.6	0.2
7.7	0.28
10	0.7
11.3	1.7
12.8	1.4
15	1.8
18	4.3
21	8.6
25.5	28

Sensitivity (point source):  
 $10\sigma$  1000 s

## MIRI



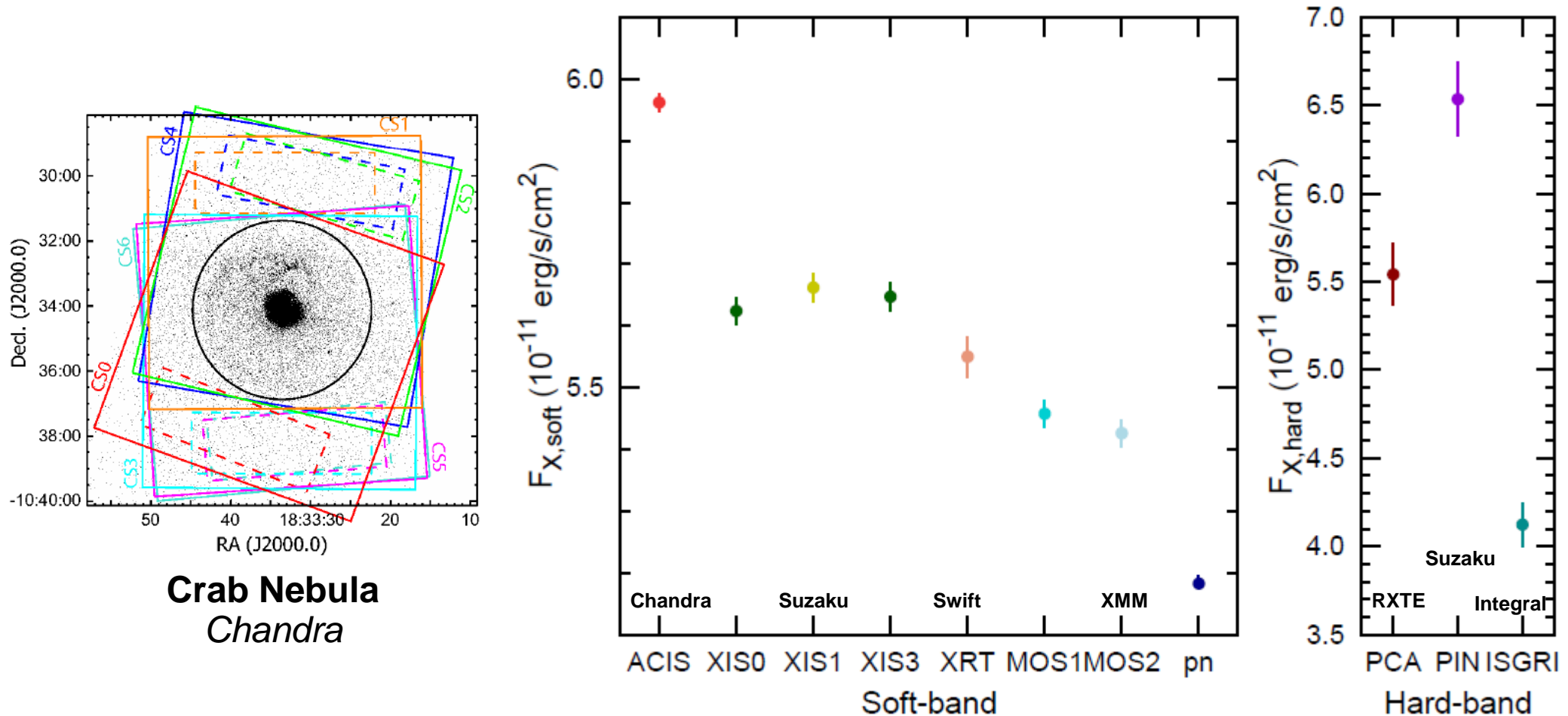
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- 1) Cross-calibration
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- 3) Low luminosity active galactic nuclei (LLAGN)
- 4) Stellar-mass accreting sources

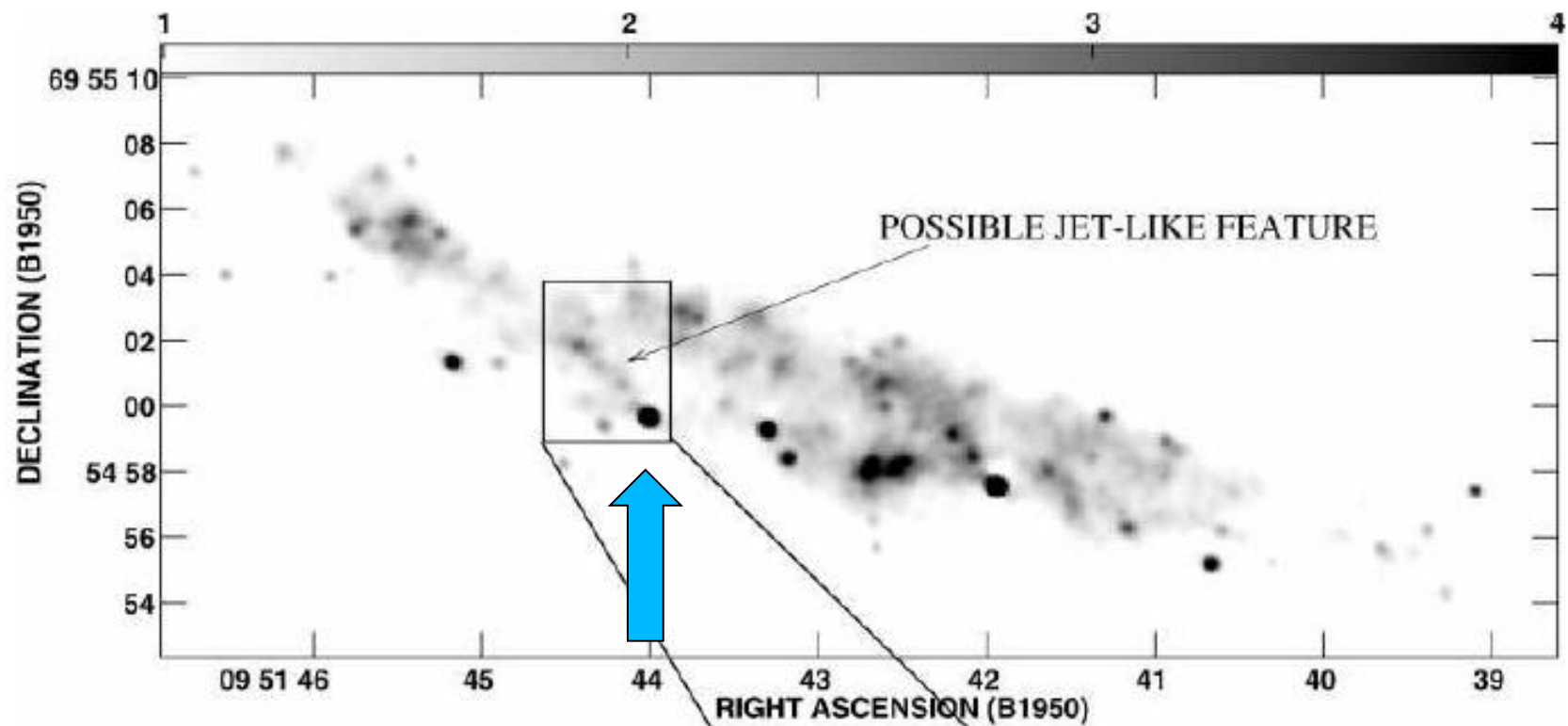
P. S.

- *Some* interesting science topics
- Personal and biased list
- Topics not covered by others, e.g. ~~high-z~~

# 1. Cross-calibration

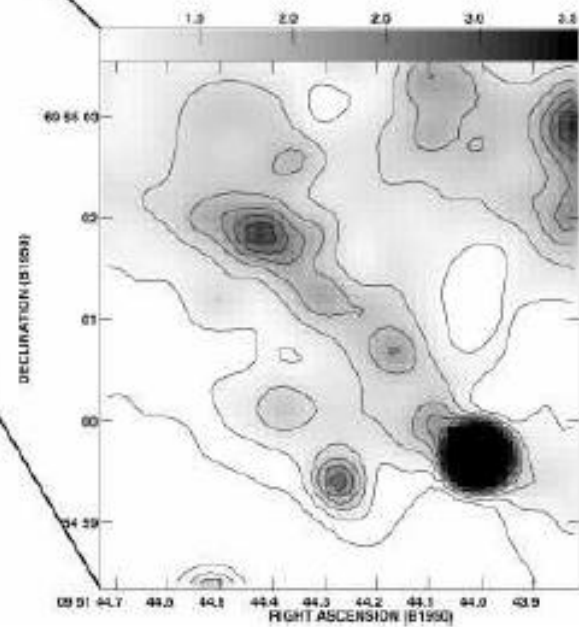


**Up to 46% cross-calibration flux uncertainty!**

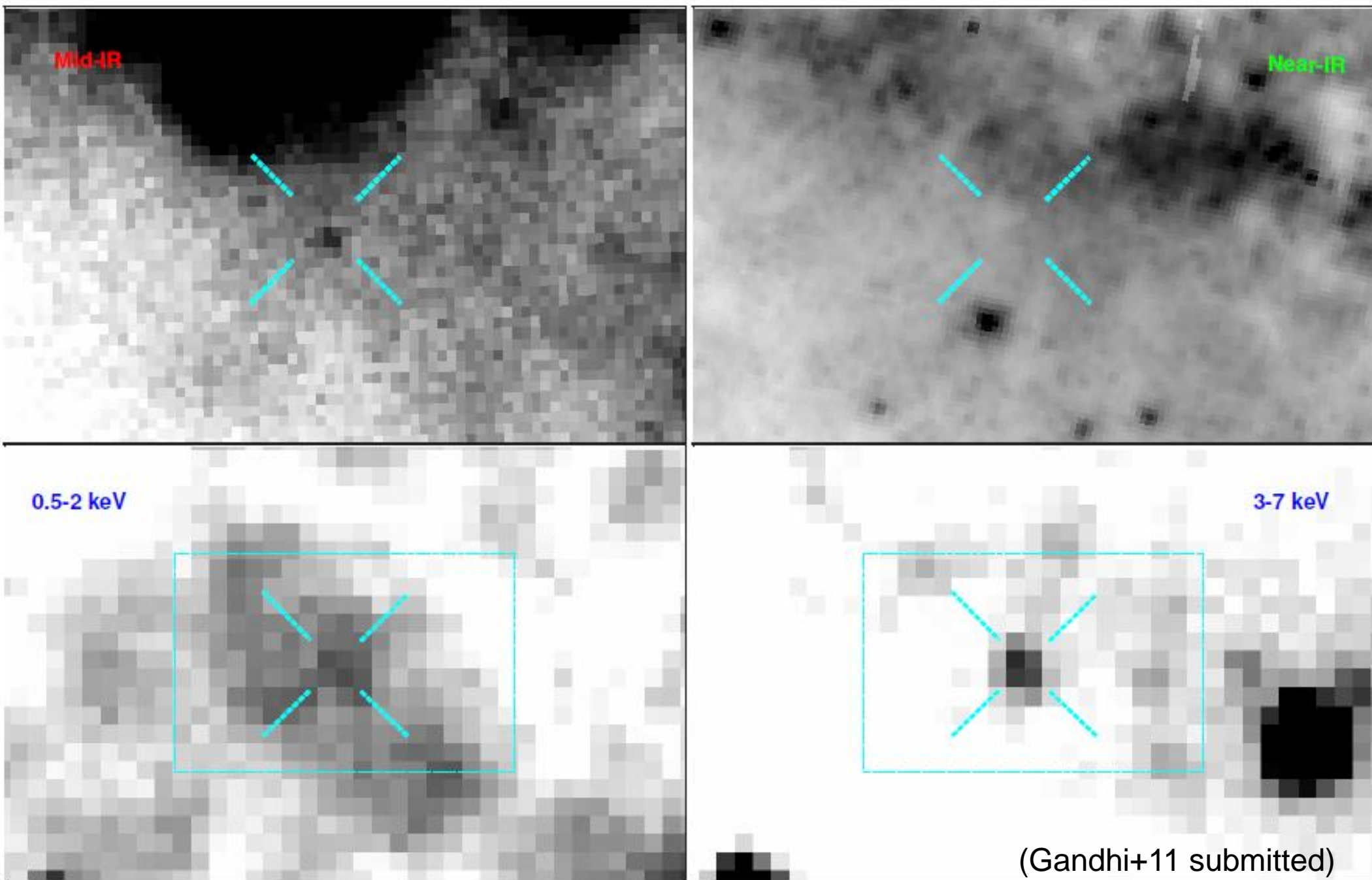


## 2. Angular Resolution Is there an AGN in M82?

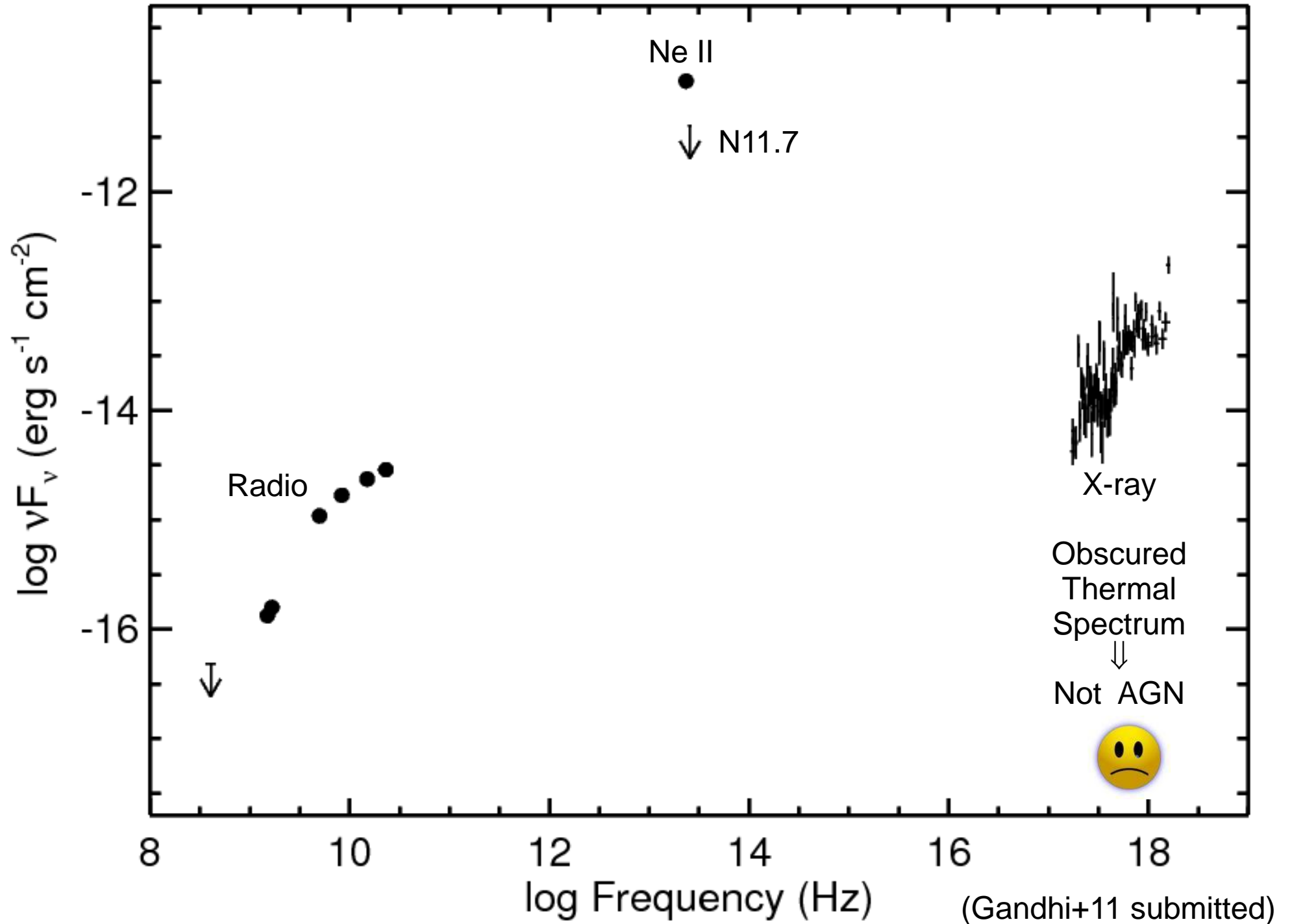
(Wills+99)



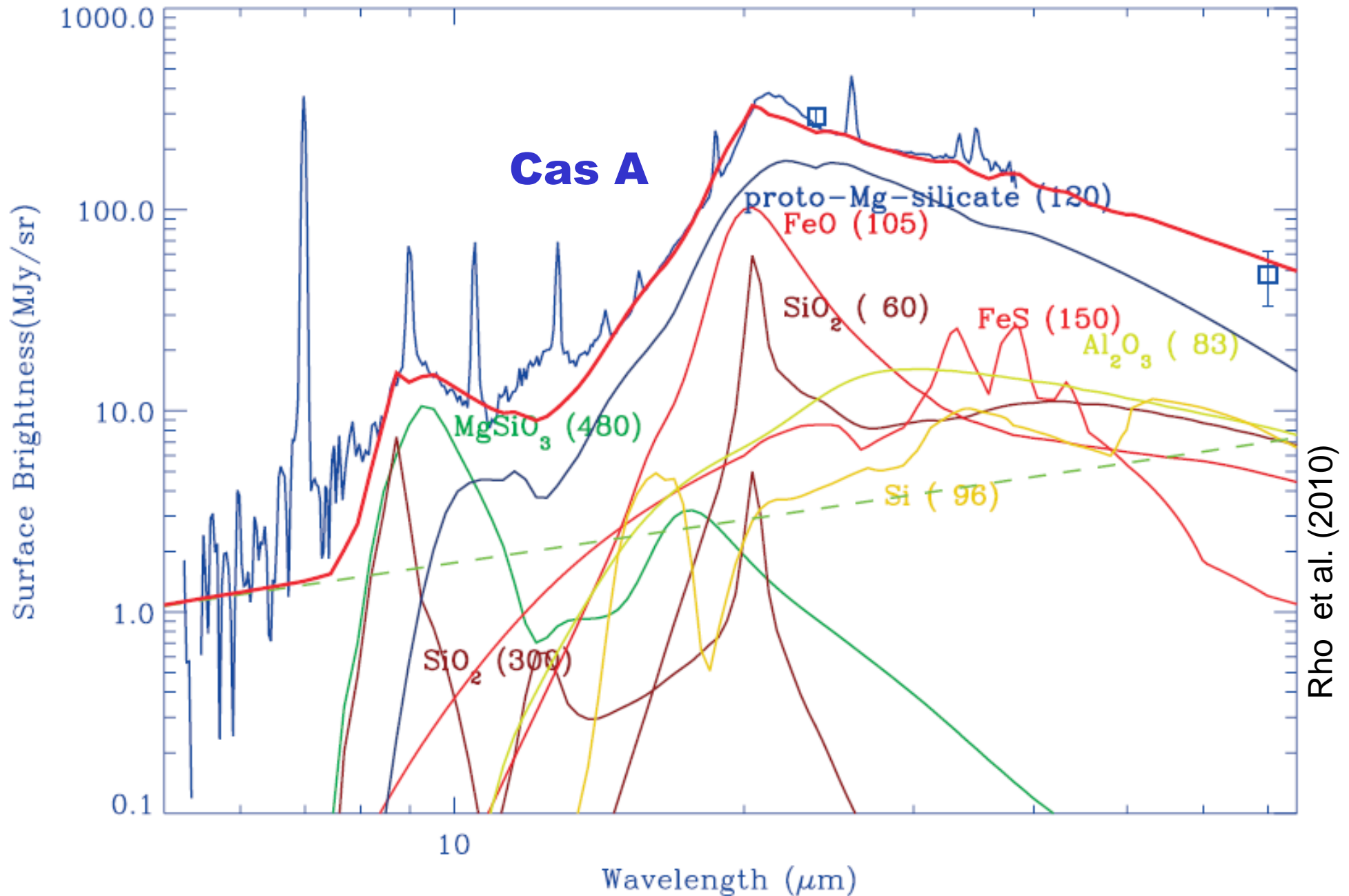
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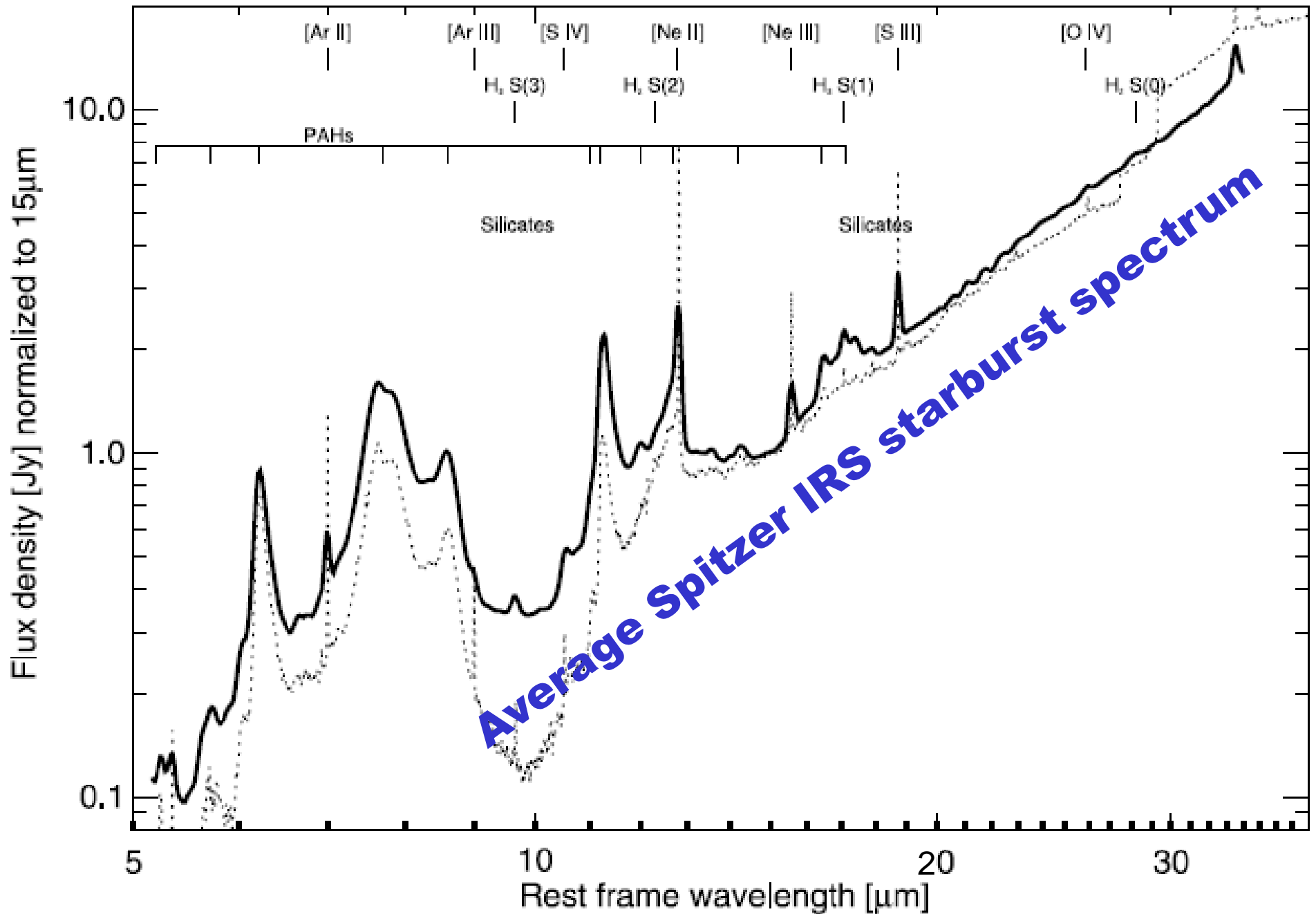


# 2. Source identification: supernova (remnant) ?

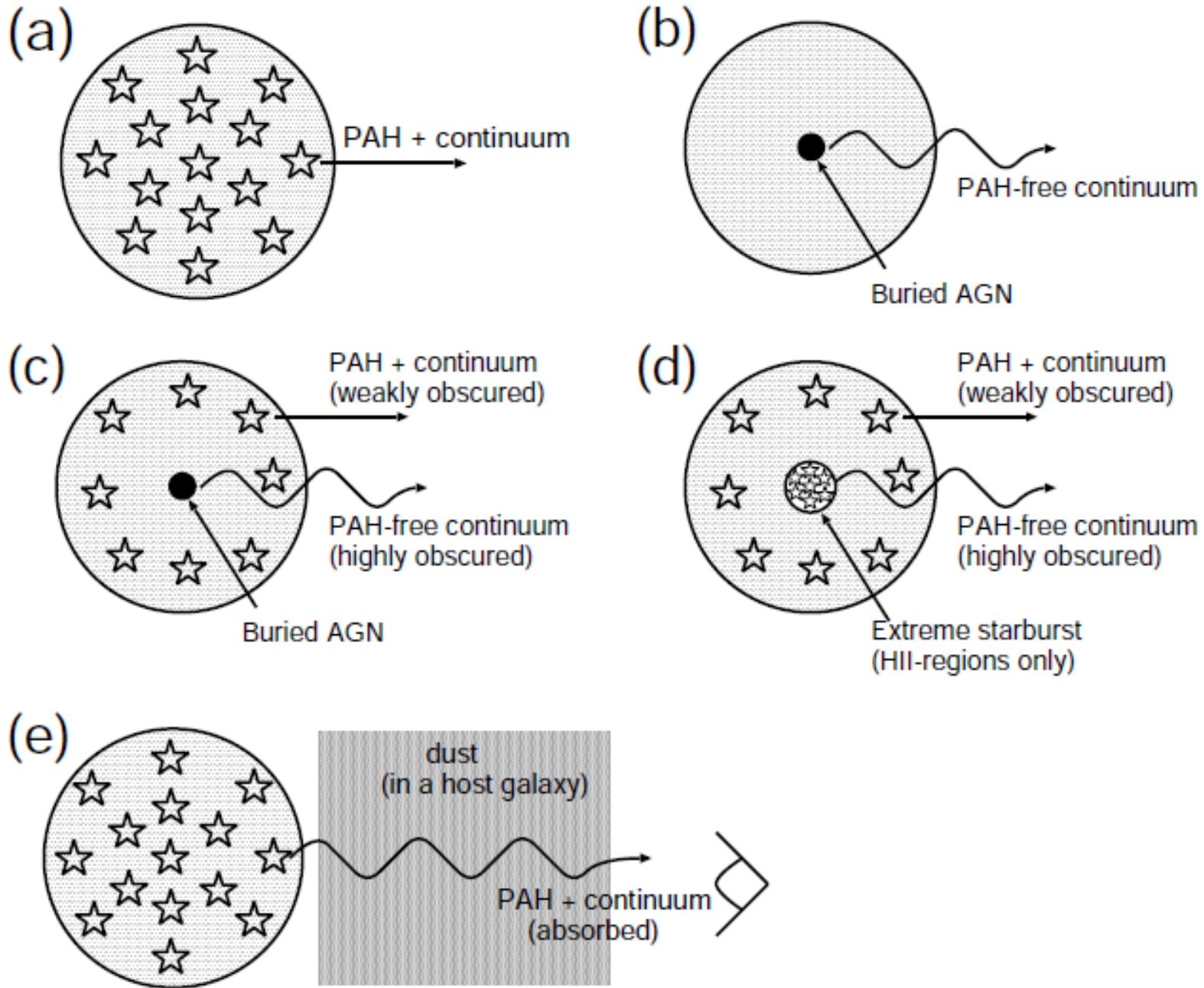




# 2. Source identification: starburst ?

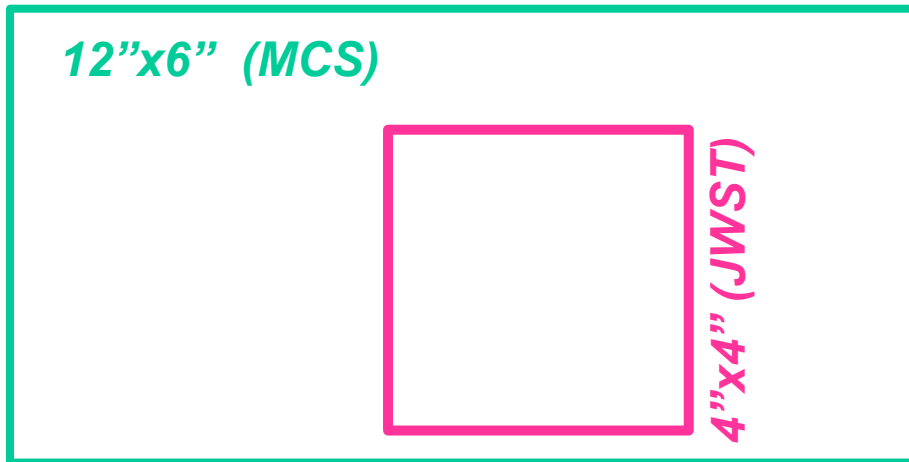


# 2. Source identification : buried AGN ?



## *Requirements:*

- 1)  $< \sim 1''\text{-}2''$  PSF
- 2) LR spec  $R \sim$  few 100
- 3) broad spectral coverage with single mission to avoid confusion.



**Red: Subaru COMICS Nell**

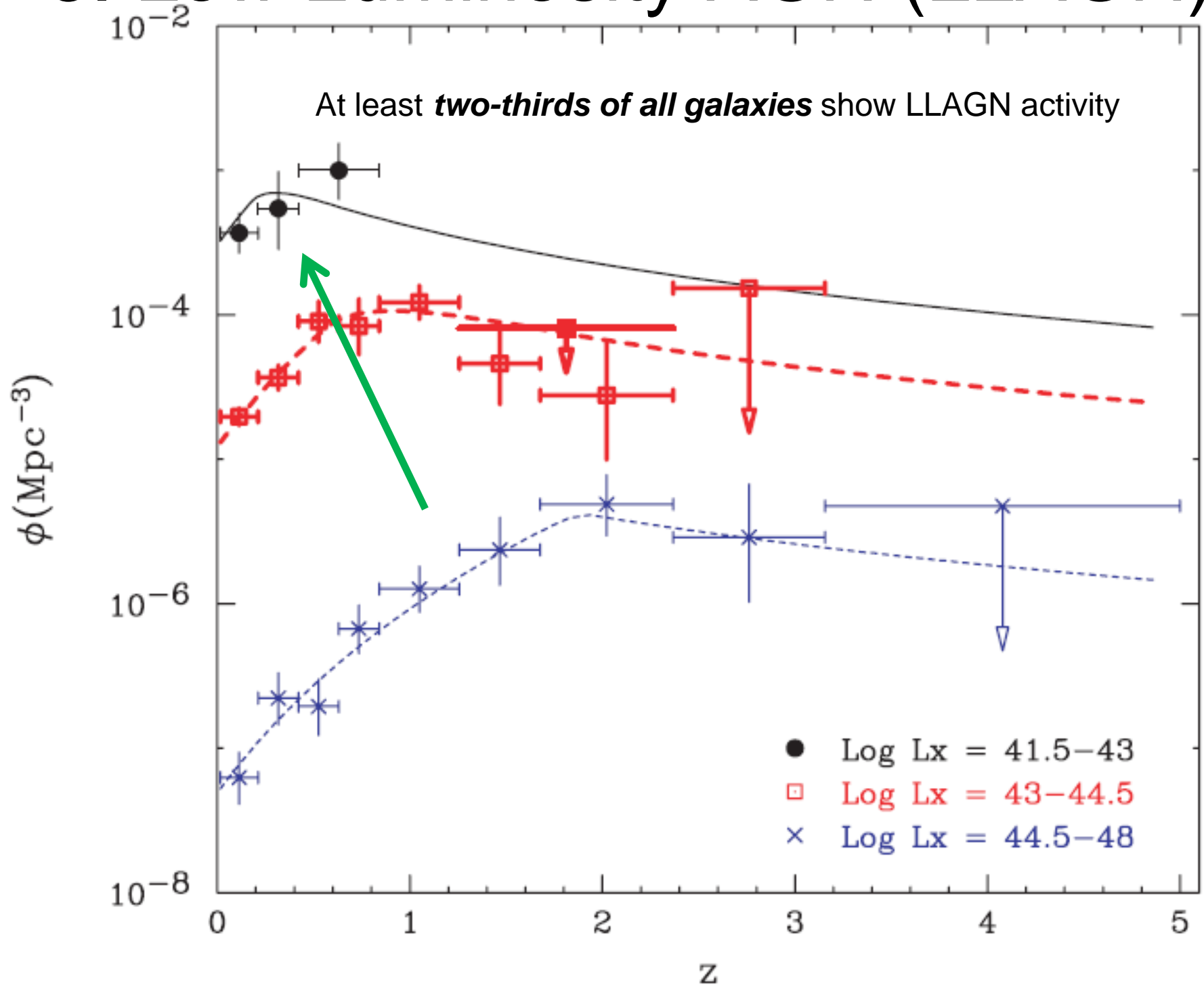
**Green: HST WFPC 1  $\mu\text{m}$**

**Blue: Chandra ACIS**

**Magenta and white: Radio**

(Gandhi+11 submitted)

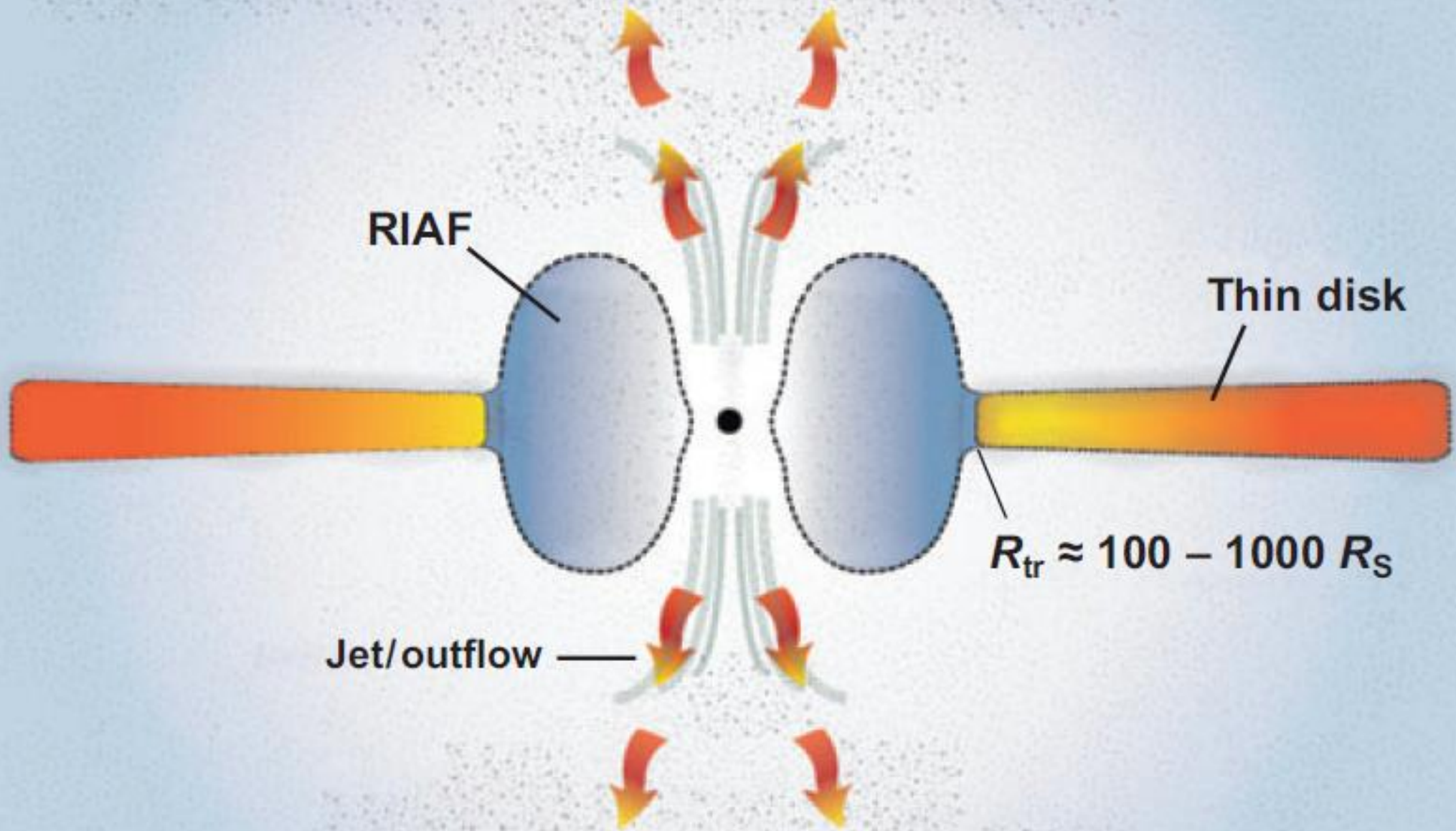
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  - Intrinsically low luminosity?
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- Can they bridge the gap between stellar-mass black holes and super-massive sources?

# State transition in low-luminosity AGN?

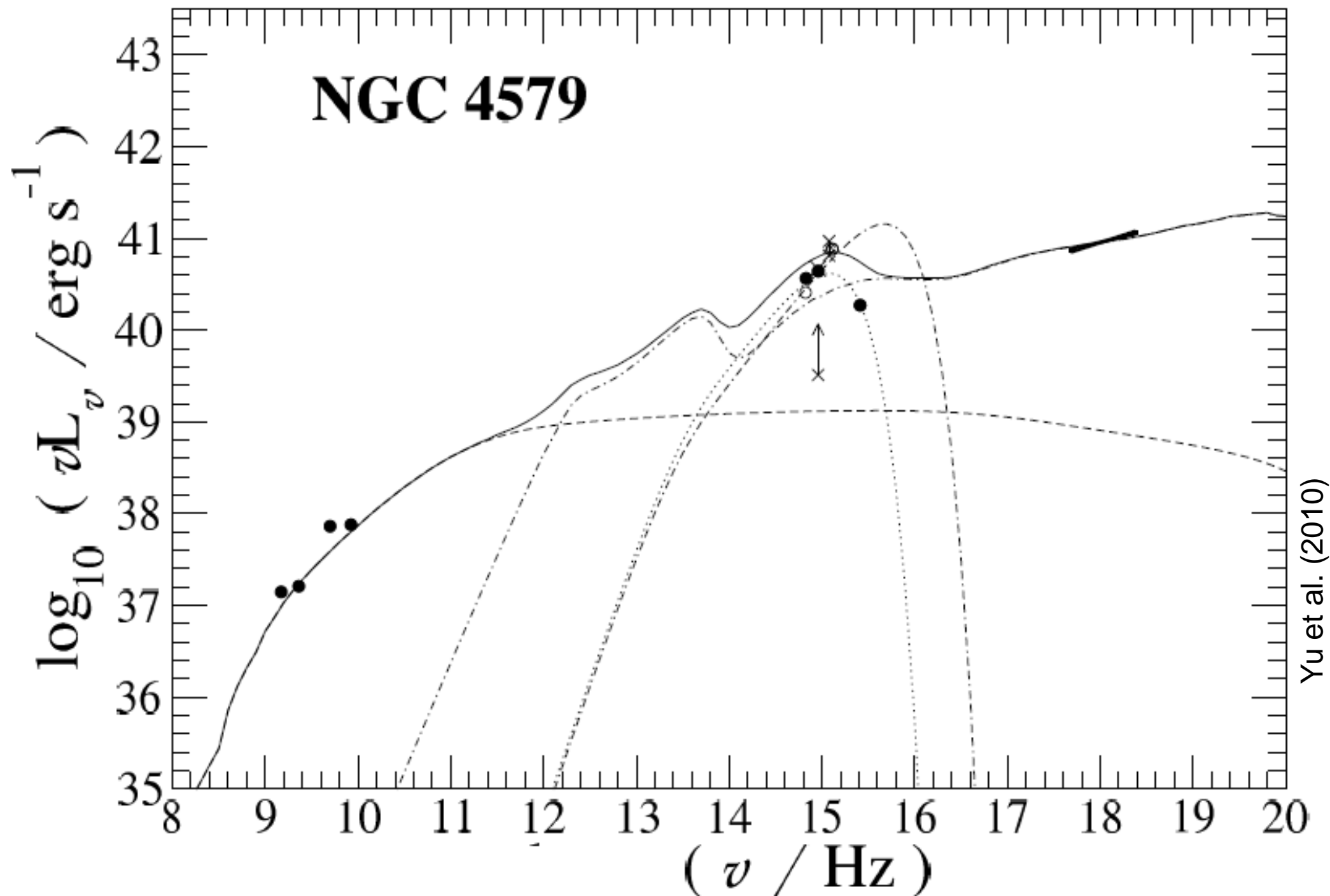


(Ho 2008)

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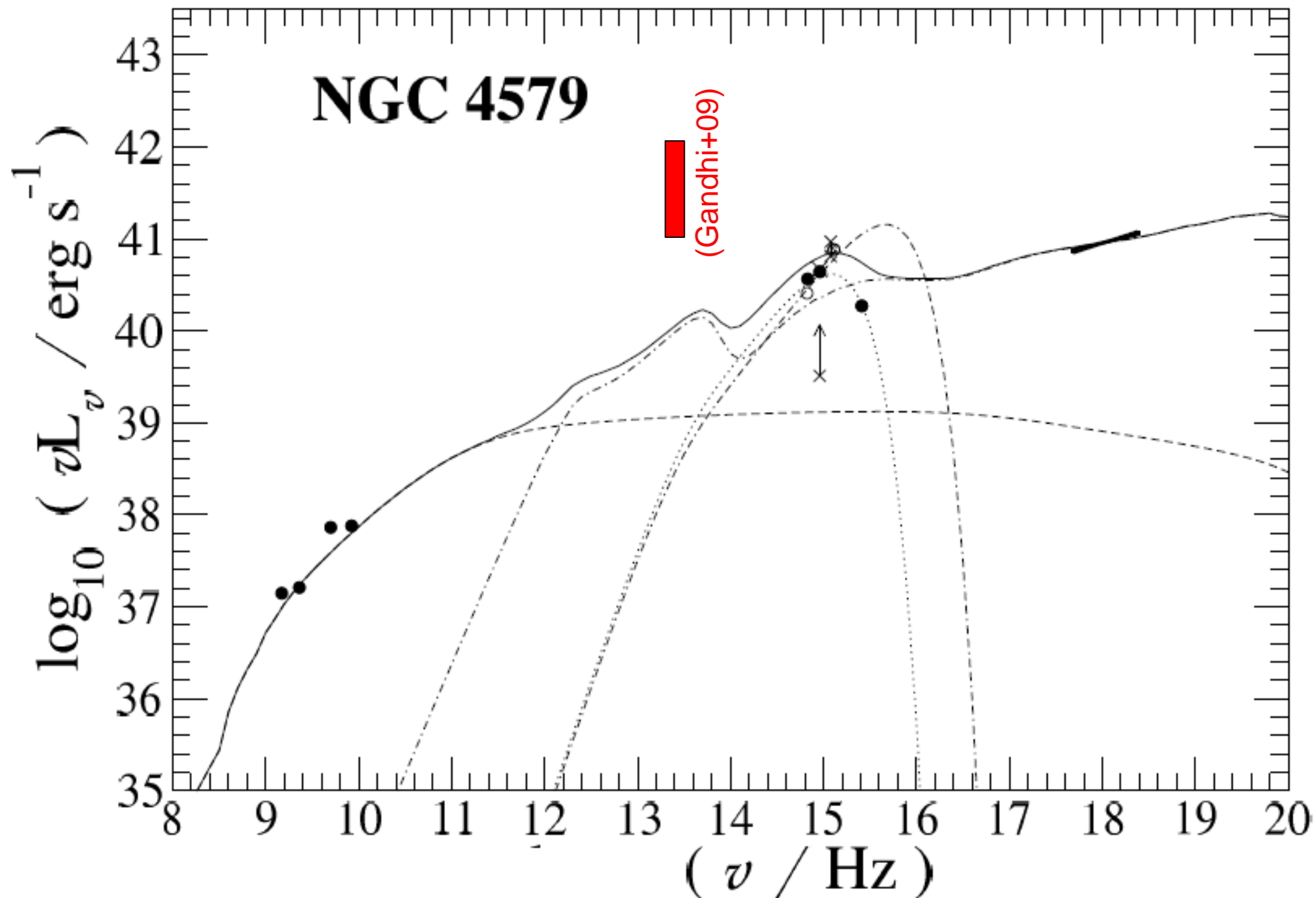
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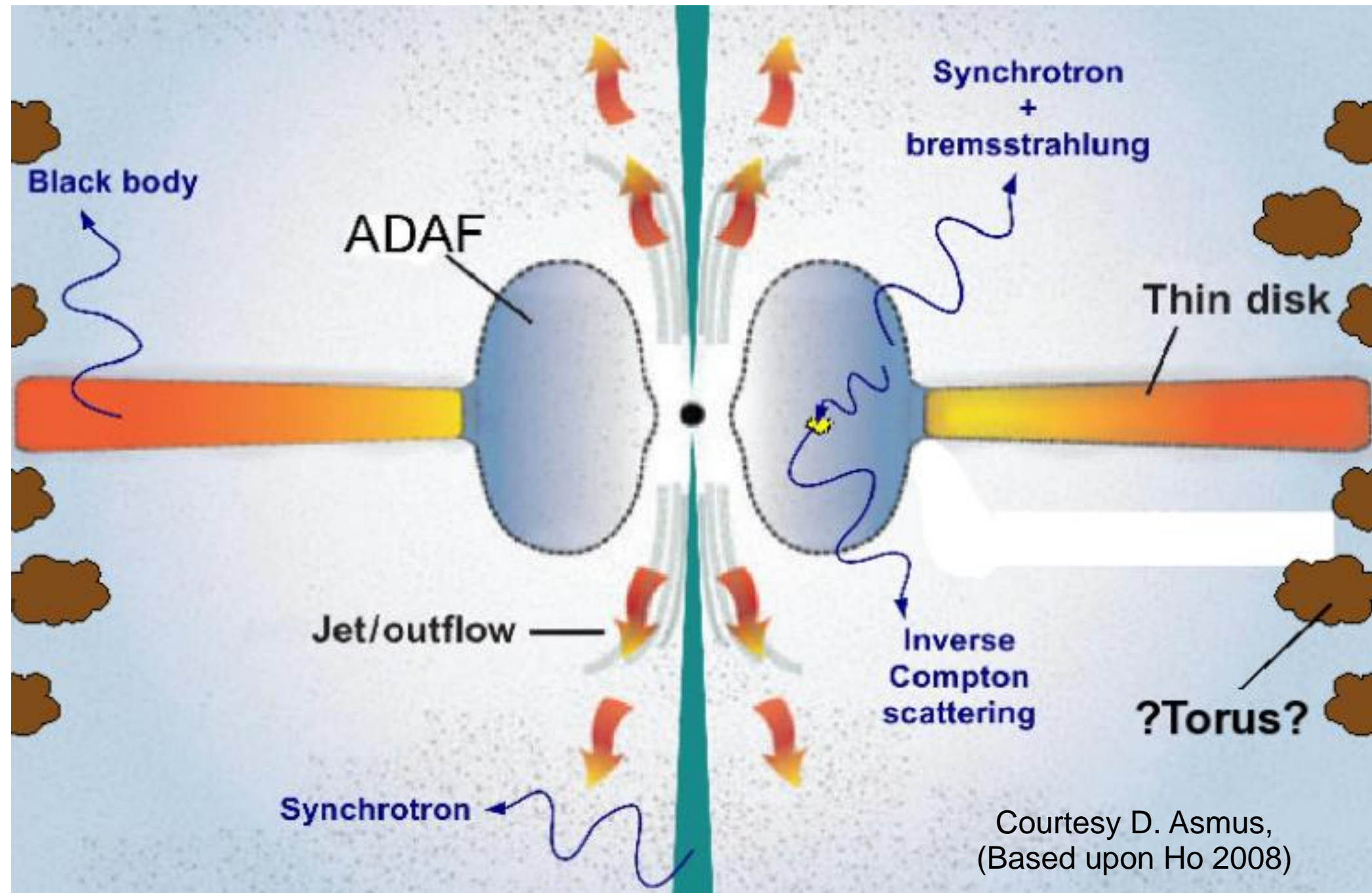




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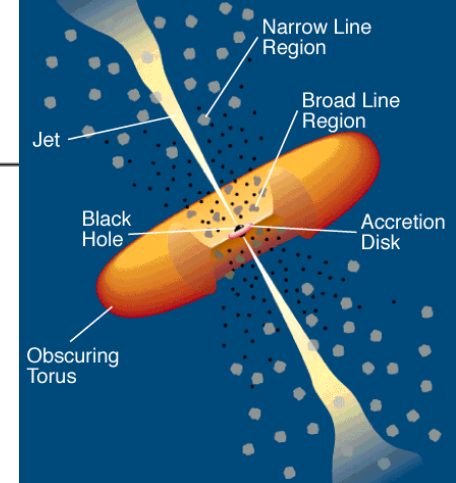
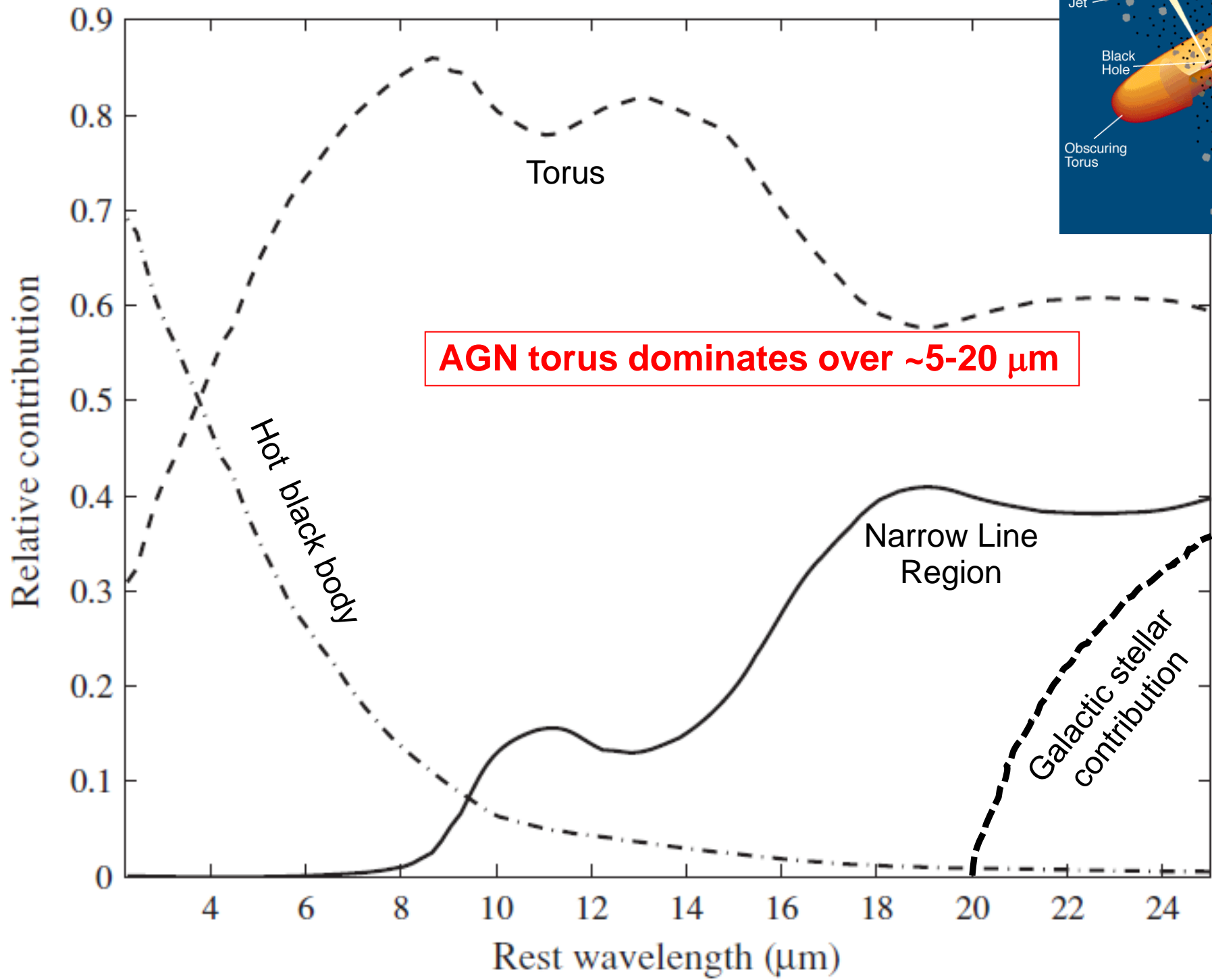


# What is IR power source in LLAGN?



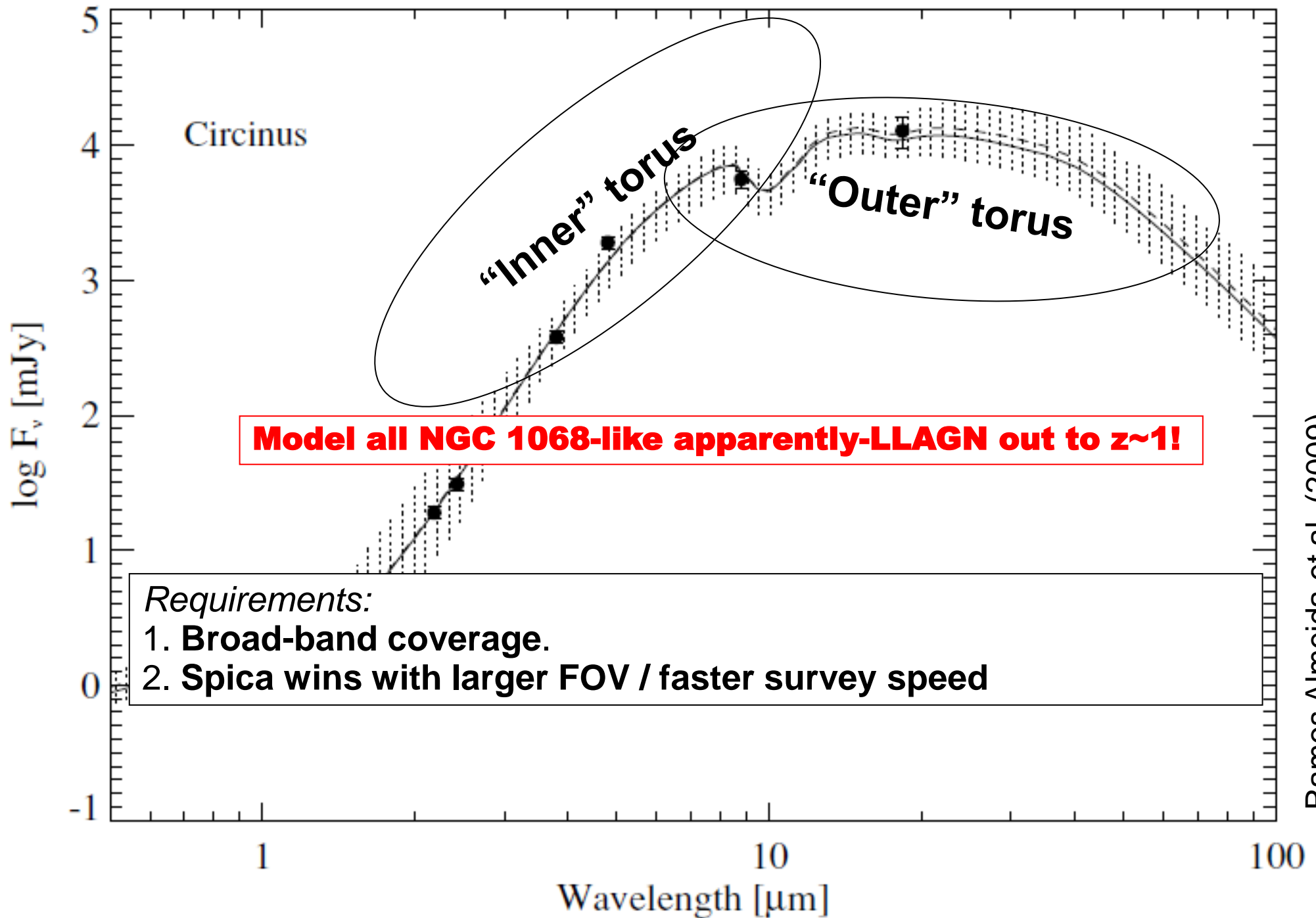
Courtesy D. Asmus,  
(Based upon Ho 2008)

# Where does torus emission peak?



Mor et al. (2009)

# Modelling AGN tori



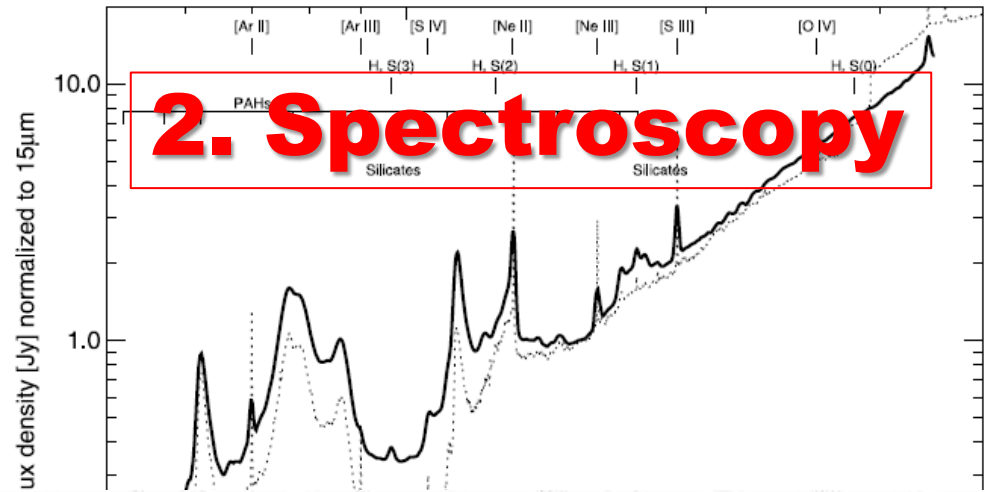
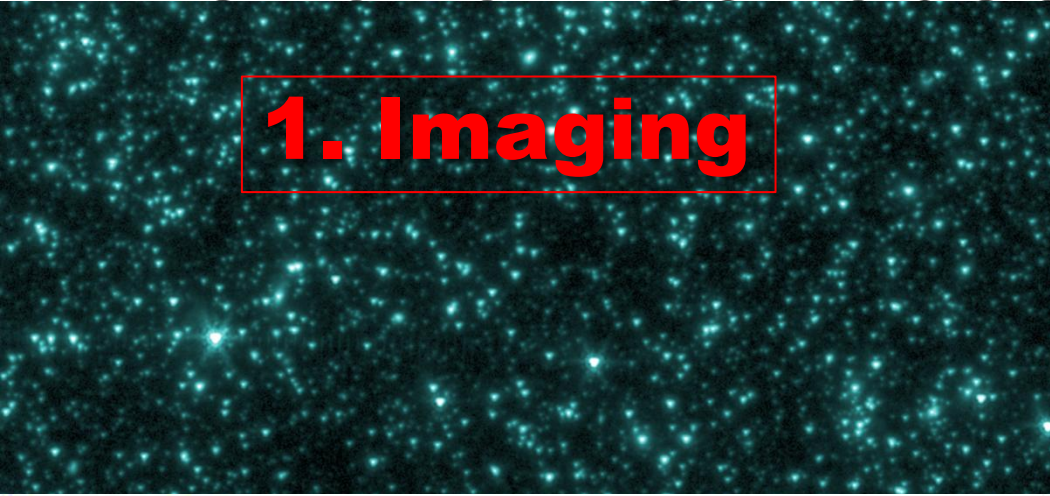
# 4. Variability / Transient studies:

best case for broad band coverage?

- Jets in accreting X-ray binaries
- Gamma ray burst afterglows
- Transits / eclipses
- Microlensing events
- Supernovae

# Astronomical observational domains

## 1. Imaging



## 2. Spectroscopy



**3. Time domain is least explored:  
“unknown unknowns”**



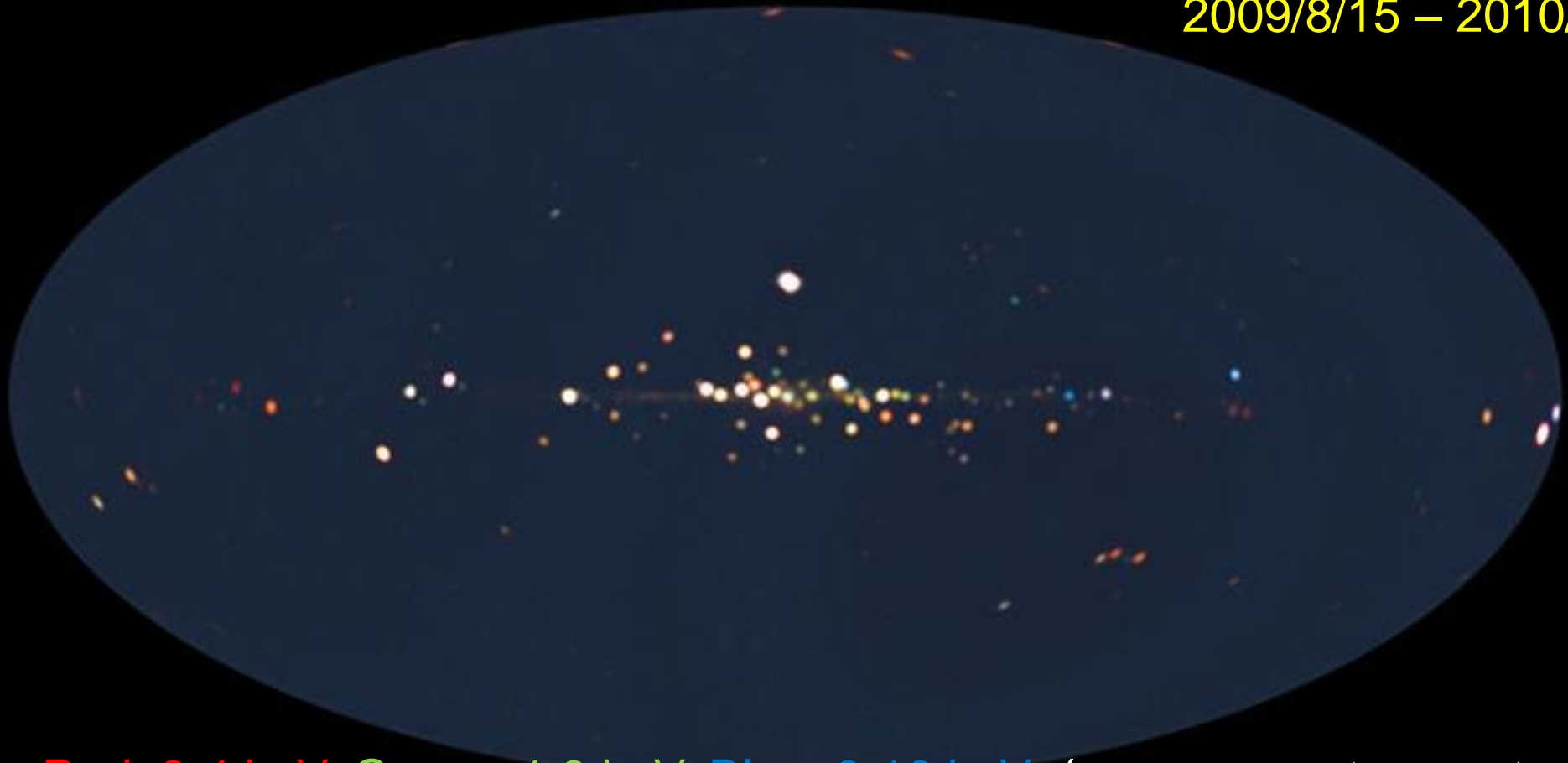
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# MAXI/GSC All-sky map: first 10 months

2009/8/15 – 2010/6/16



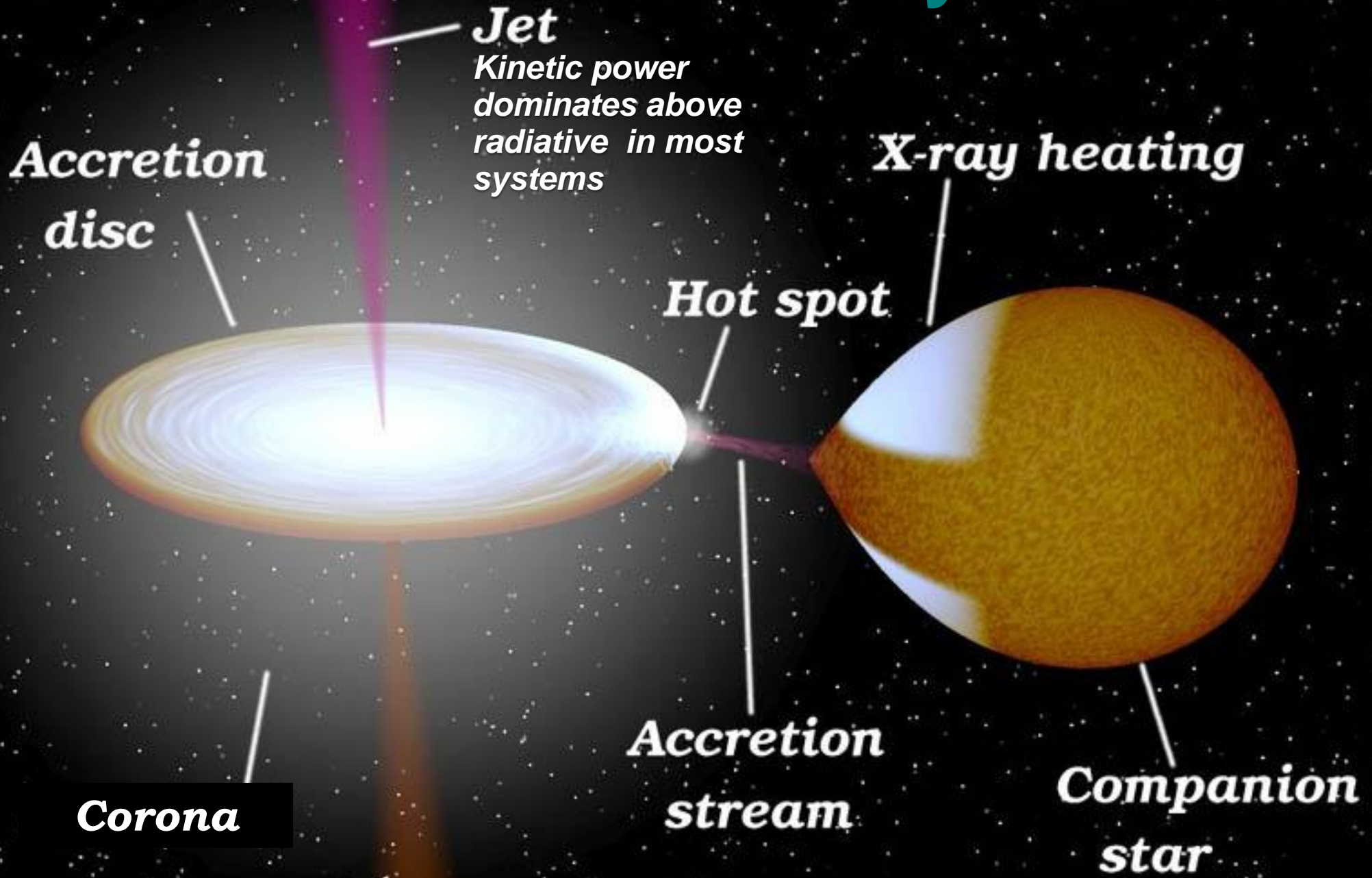
Red: 2-4 keV Green: 4-8 keV Blue: 8-16 keV (exposure not corrected)

300+ Galactic X-ray binaries known (growing fast)

(Slide : MAXI First year symposium. N. Kawai)

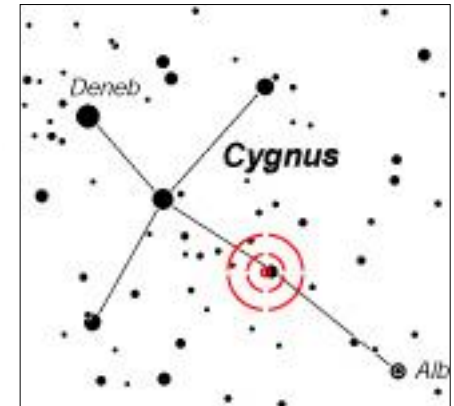
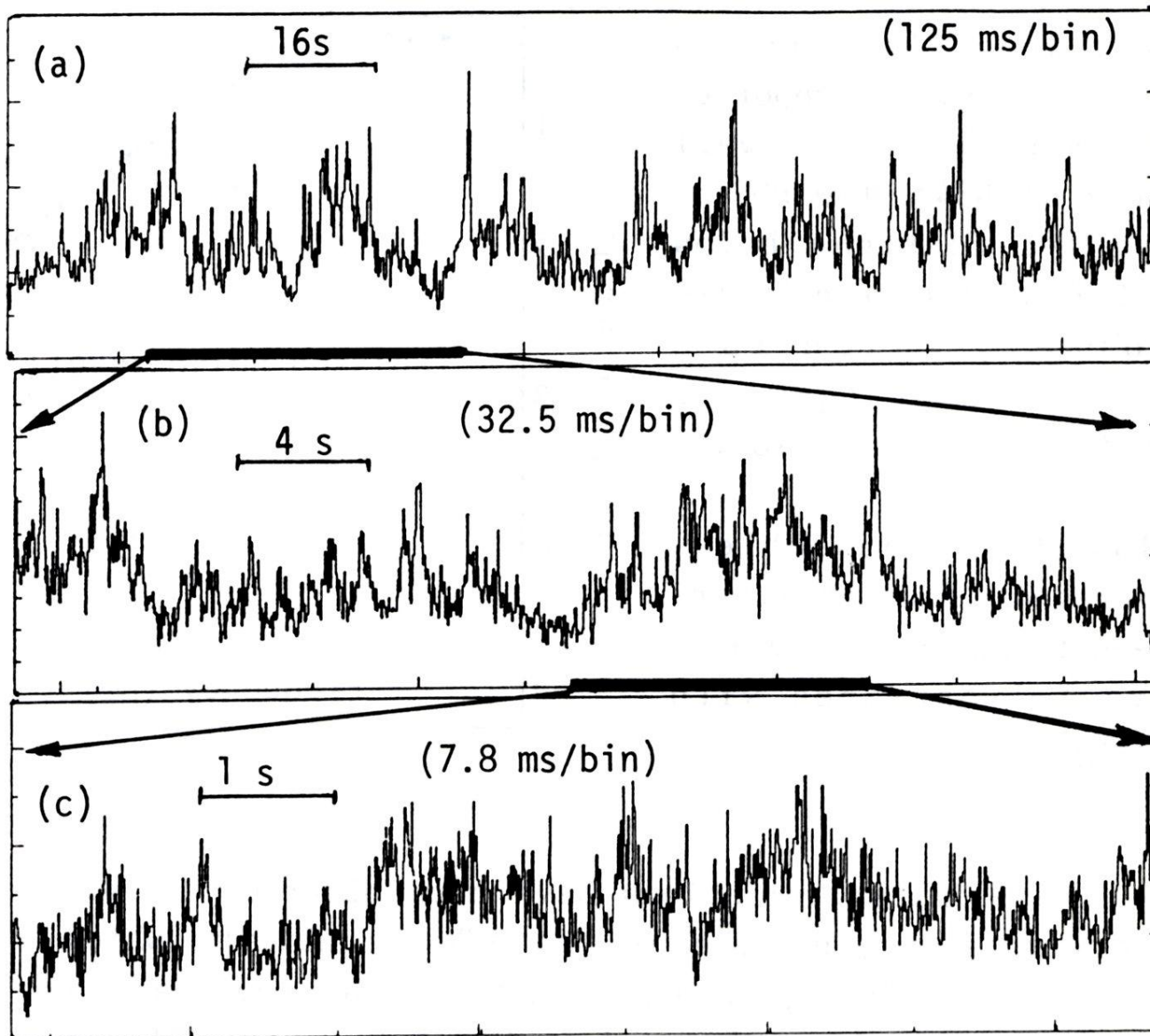


# X-ray binaries



# Timing studies of Galactic black holes

Rapid aperiodic flickering commonly seen in **X-rays**

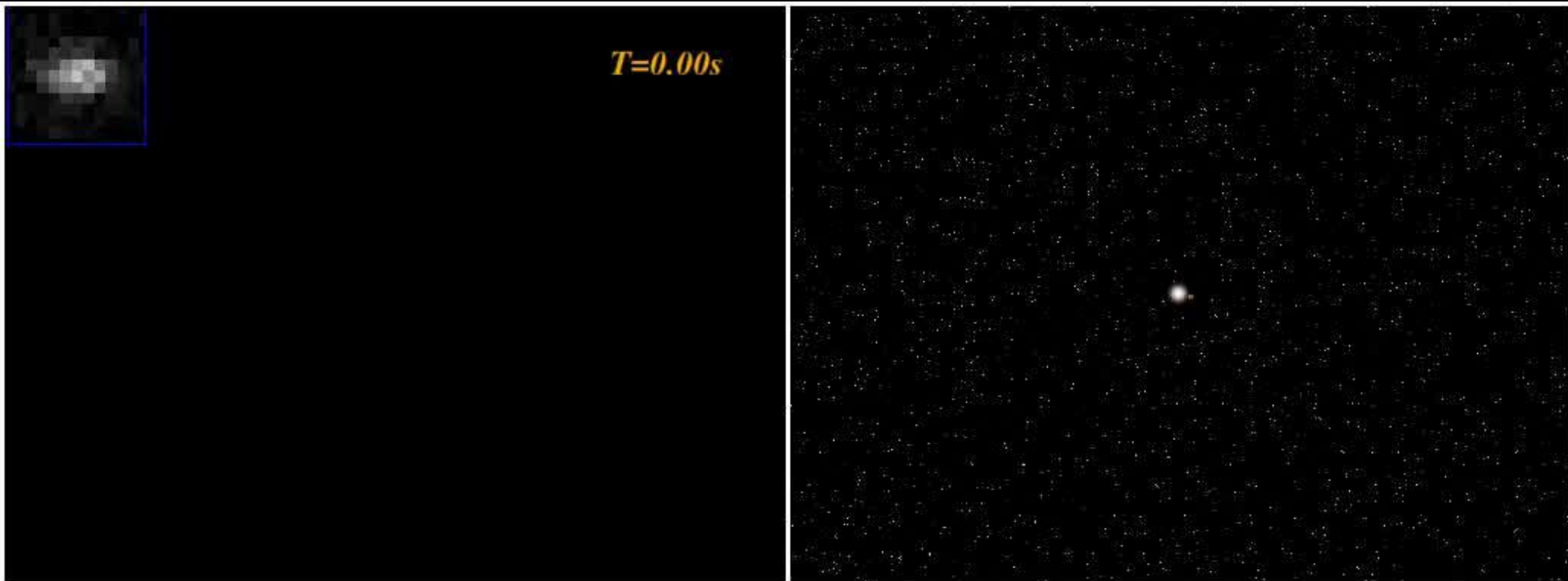


*Black hole  
Cygnus X-1*

(Makishima 1988)  
(Ginga data)

# Speedy optical variability

**GX 339-4 : Galactic black hole binary (mass  $> 6M_{\text{sun}}$ )**



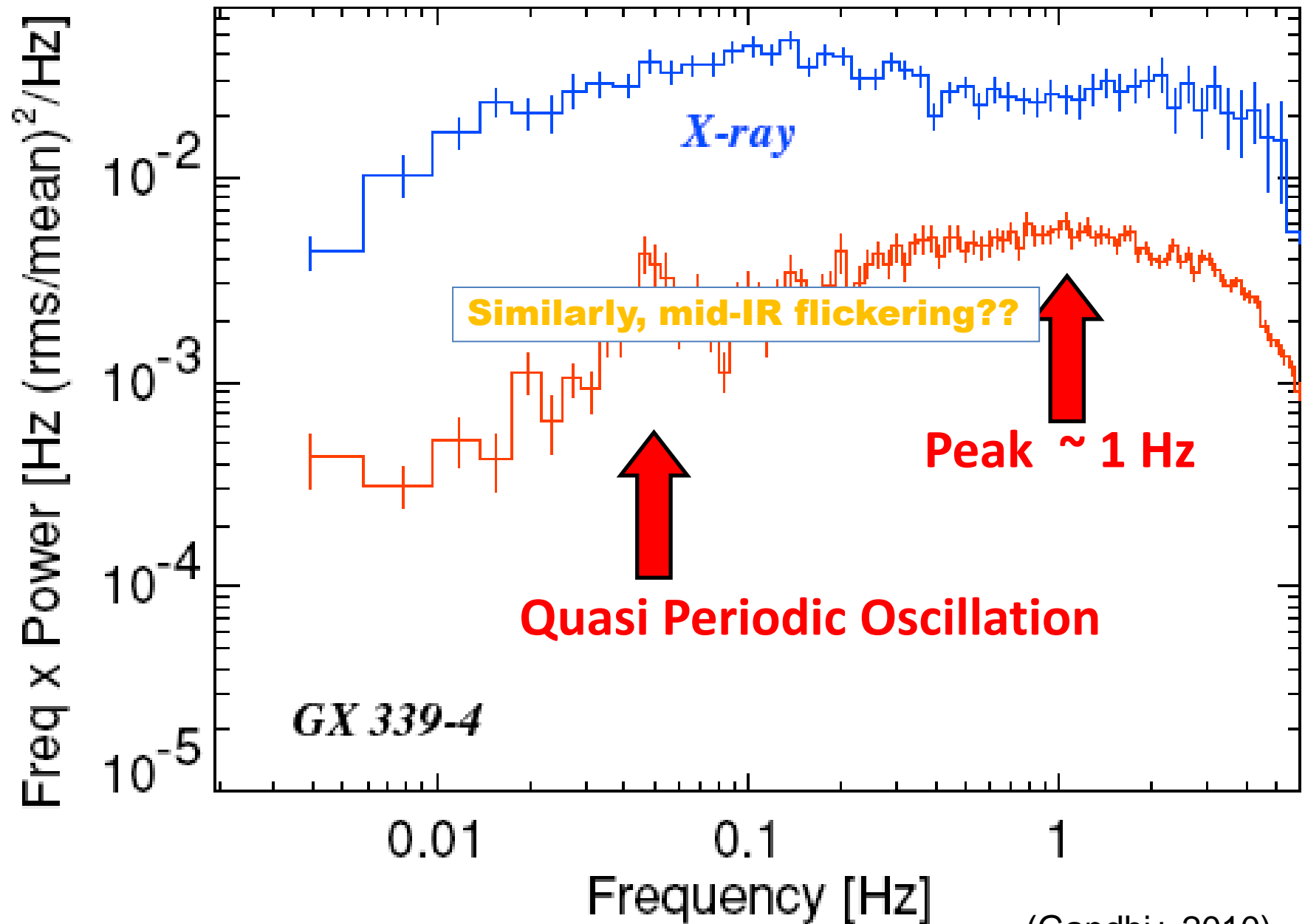
VLT / ULTRACAM

$\Delta T=50\text{ ms}$

Animation: binsim

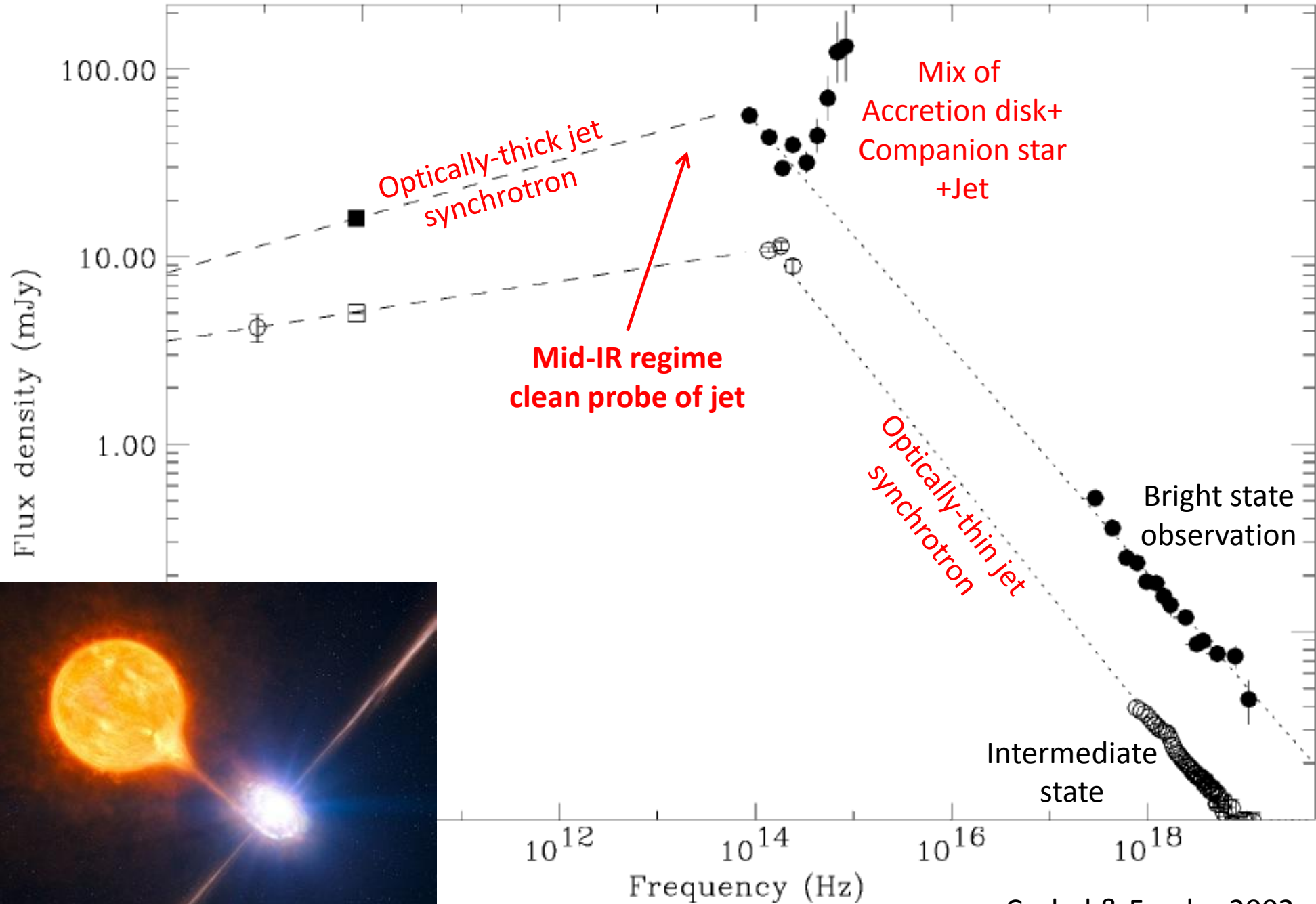
*(P. Gandhi et al. 2008, 2010)*

# Power spectra of variations



(Gandhi+ 2010)

# Next step: IR jet still completely unexplored



# Spica : determining jet physics

## Requirements:

1. Search for variability : **fast readout (<~2 s)**. Prefer faster windows.
2. Measure broad-band slope : **Low  $R$  spec OK for synchrotron.**
3. **Telemetry? ~0.5-1 image/s**
4. Minimize readout noise

mJy

1.00

0.10

0.01

$10^{10}$

$10^{12}$

$10^{14}$

$10^{16}$

$10^{18}$

Hz

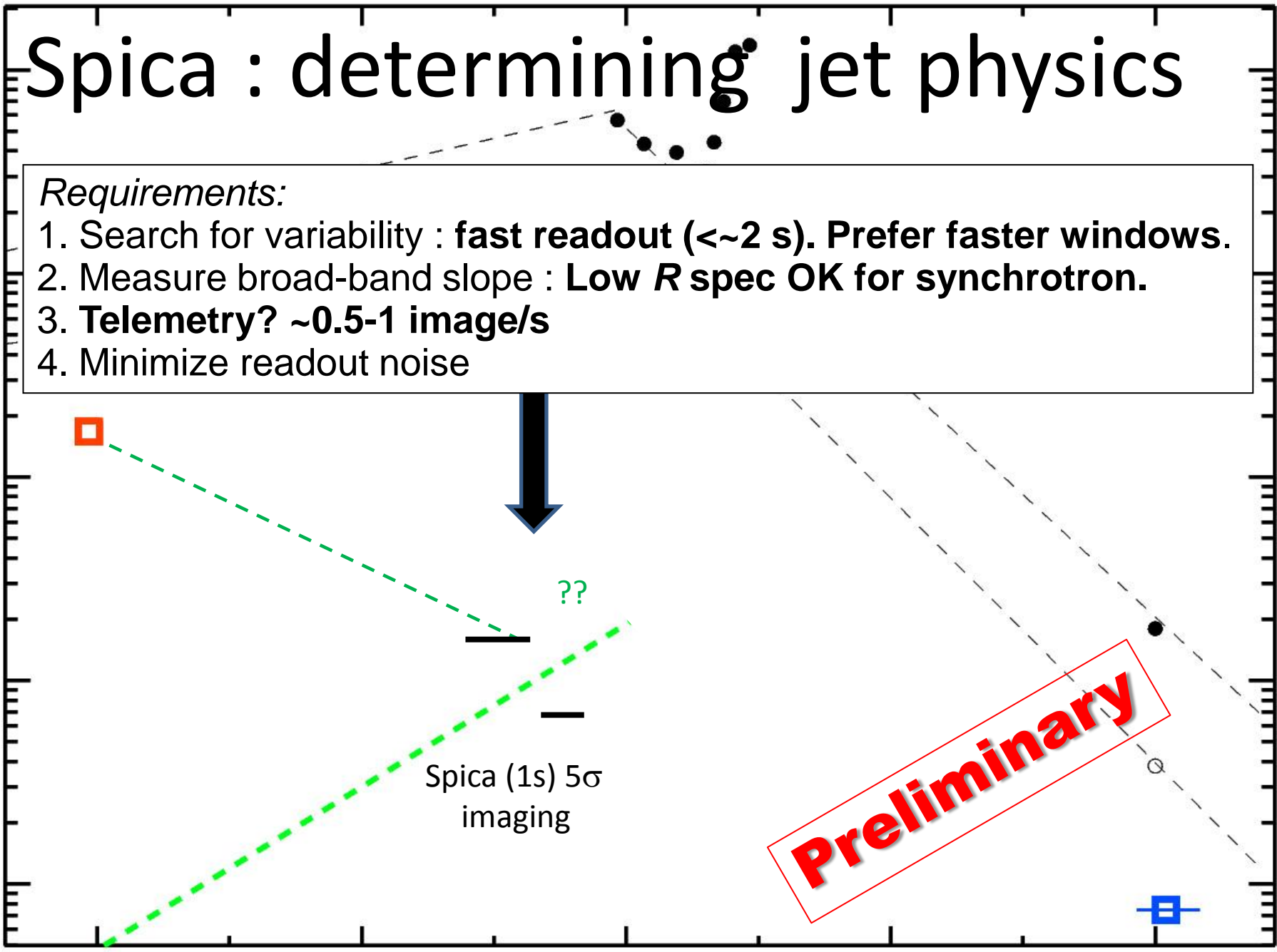


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Spica (1s)  $5\sigma$   
imaging

**Preliminary**

(Gandhi+11 in prep)



# ca. 2018 : Variability boom ?

**LSST**  
Large Synoptic Survey Telescope

## LSST Camera

- 3.2 Gigapixels
- 0.2 arcsec pixels
- 9.6 square degree FOV
- 2 second readout
- 6 filters

1.65 m  
5'-5"

(Walkowicz)

Parameter	Value
Diameter	1.65 m
Length	3.7 m
Weight	3000 kg
F.P. Diam	634 mm



MAXI



Many robotic cameras



LOFAR/  
E-VLA

**Challenge for**

# Super infrared sCience w/2 arms

- Avoid cross-calibration problems
- Make full use of high angular resolution
- Revolutionise LLAGN studies
- Study transient phenomena