

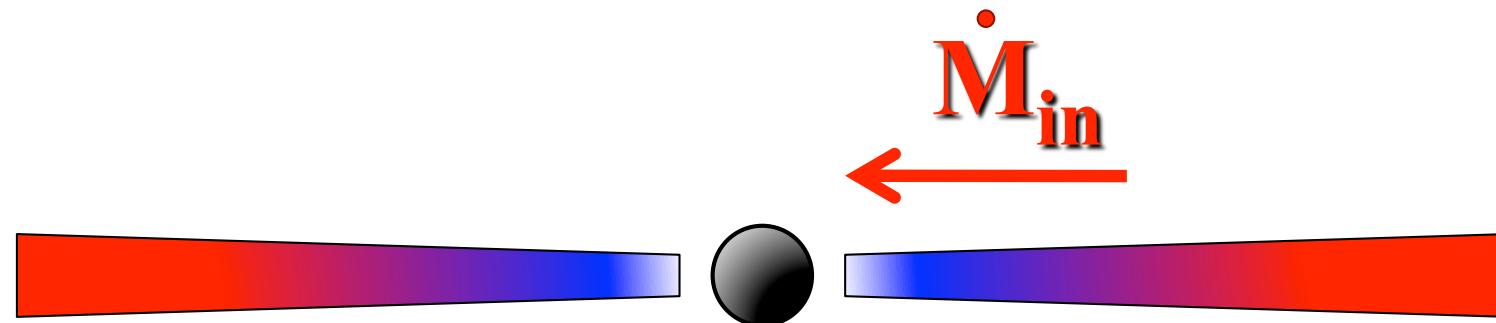
# **Accretion and jets**

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# Accretion disk

$$L_d = \eta \dot{M}_{in} c^2$$





Relativistic jets

$$P_j = \Gamma \dot{M}_{\text{out}} c^2$$

$$\uparrow \dot{M}_{\text{out}}$$

Accretion disk

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$$\frac{\dot{M}_{out}}{\dot{M}_{in}} = \frac{\eta P_j}{\Gamma L_d}$$

Relativistic jets

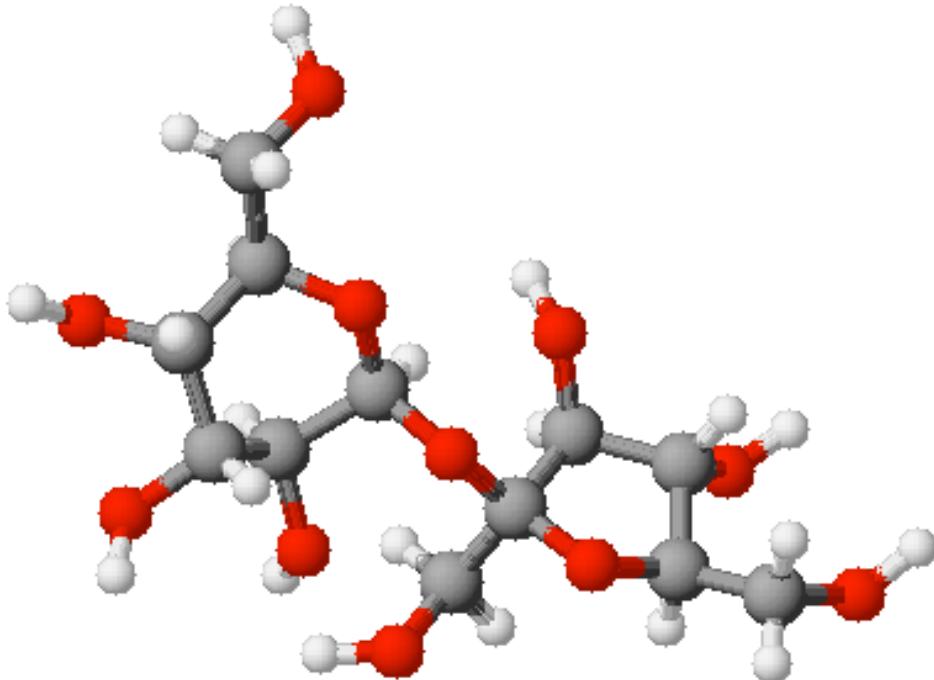
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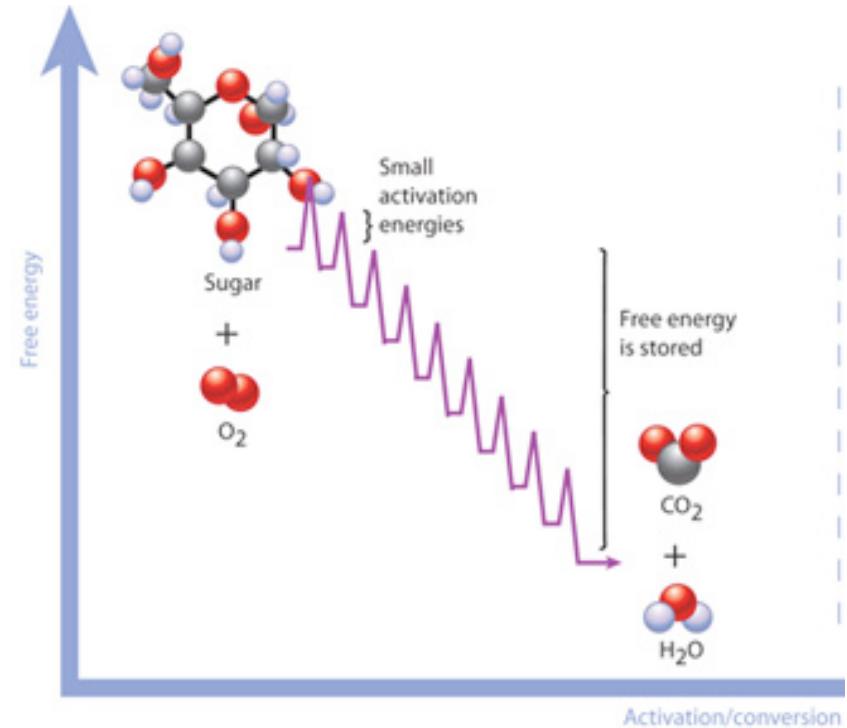


# Efficiency in astrophysics

$$\eta = \frac{\Delta E}{\Delta mc^2}$$

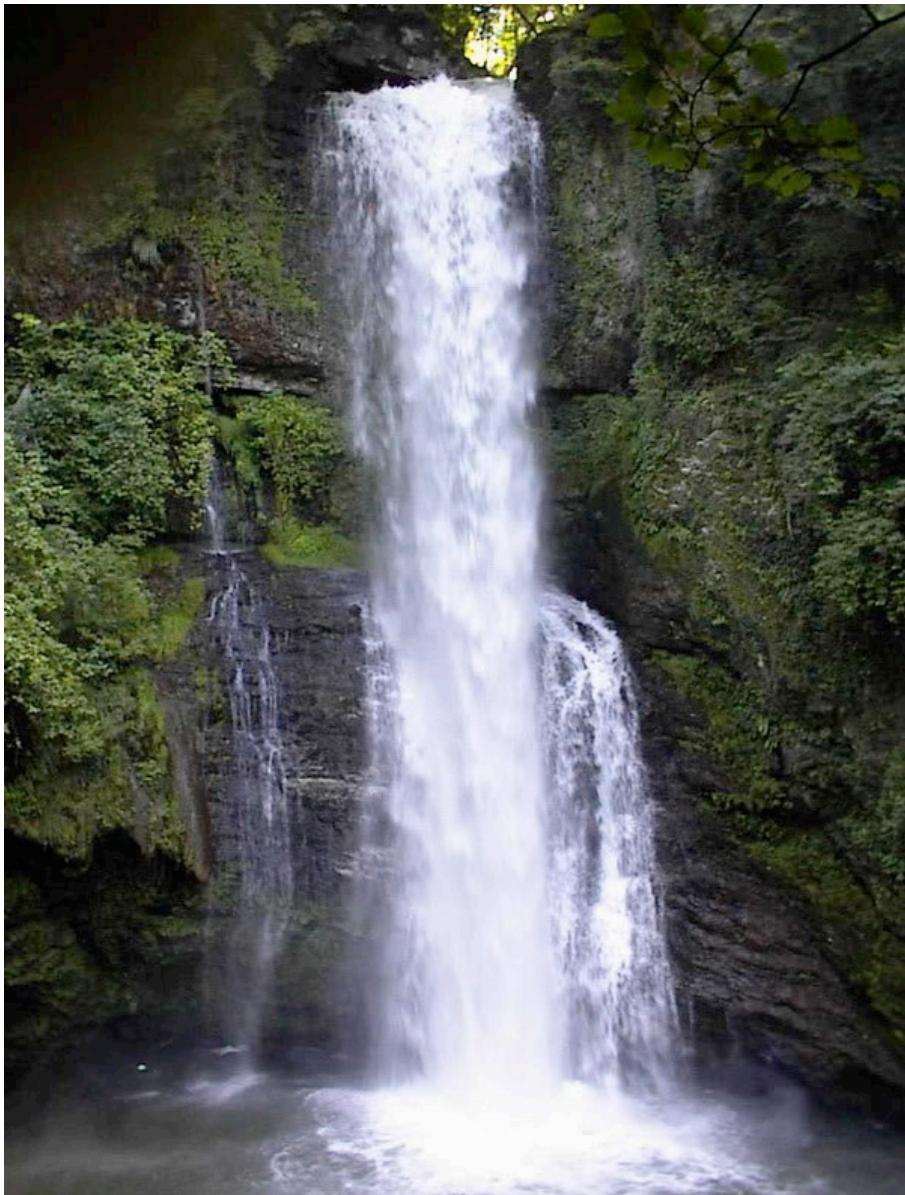


Sugar saccharose  $C_{12}H_{22}O_{11}$



$1g \rightarrow 4 \text{ kcal} = 16.7 \text{ kJ} = 10^{23} \text{ eV} \sim 1.6 \times 10^{11} \text{ erg}$   
 $\sim 1 \text{ eV per bound}$

$$\eta = \frac{E}{mc^2} = \frac{1.6 \times 10^{11} \text{ erg}}{9 \times 10^{20} \text{ erg}} = 1.8 \times 10^{-10}$$

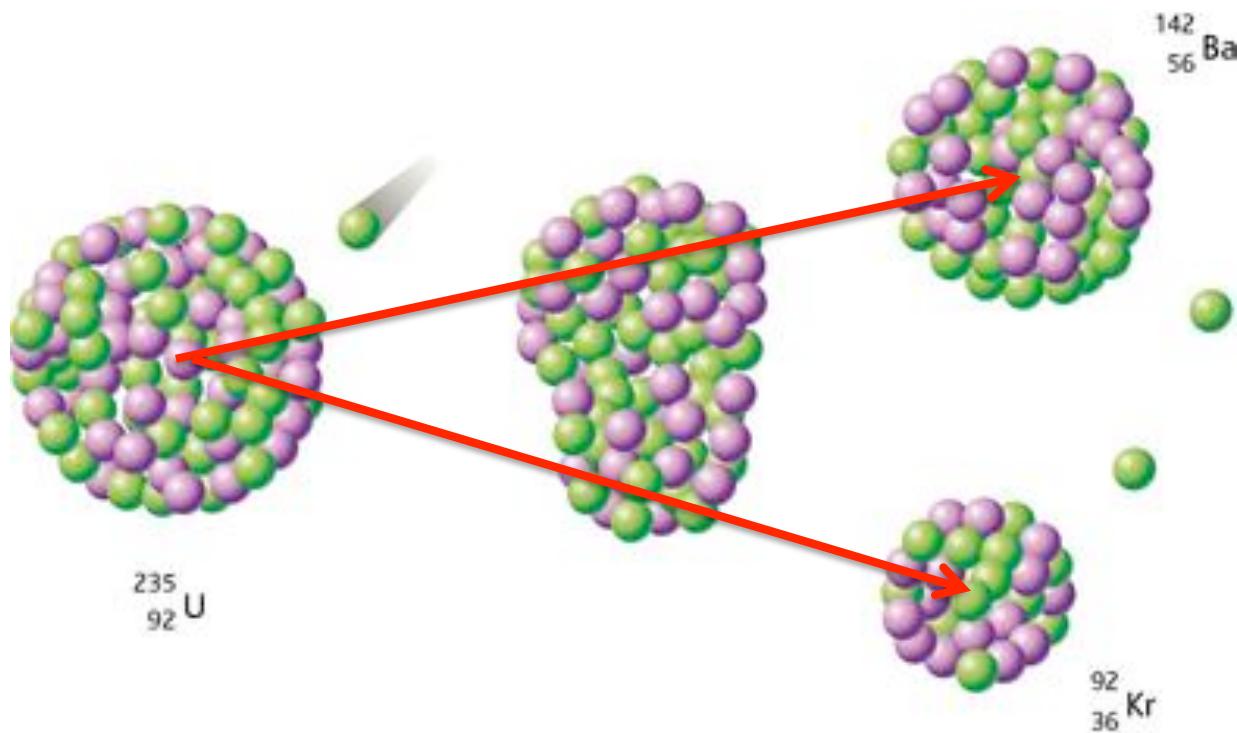


$$\eta = \frac{mgh}{mc^2} = \frac{980 \times 10^4 \text{ (h/100 m)}}{9 \times 10^{20} \text{ erg}} \sim 10^{-14}$$



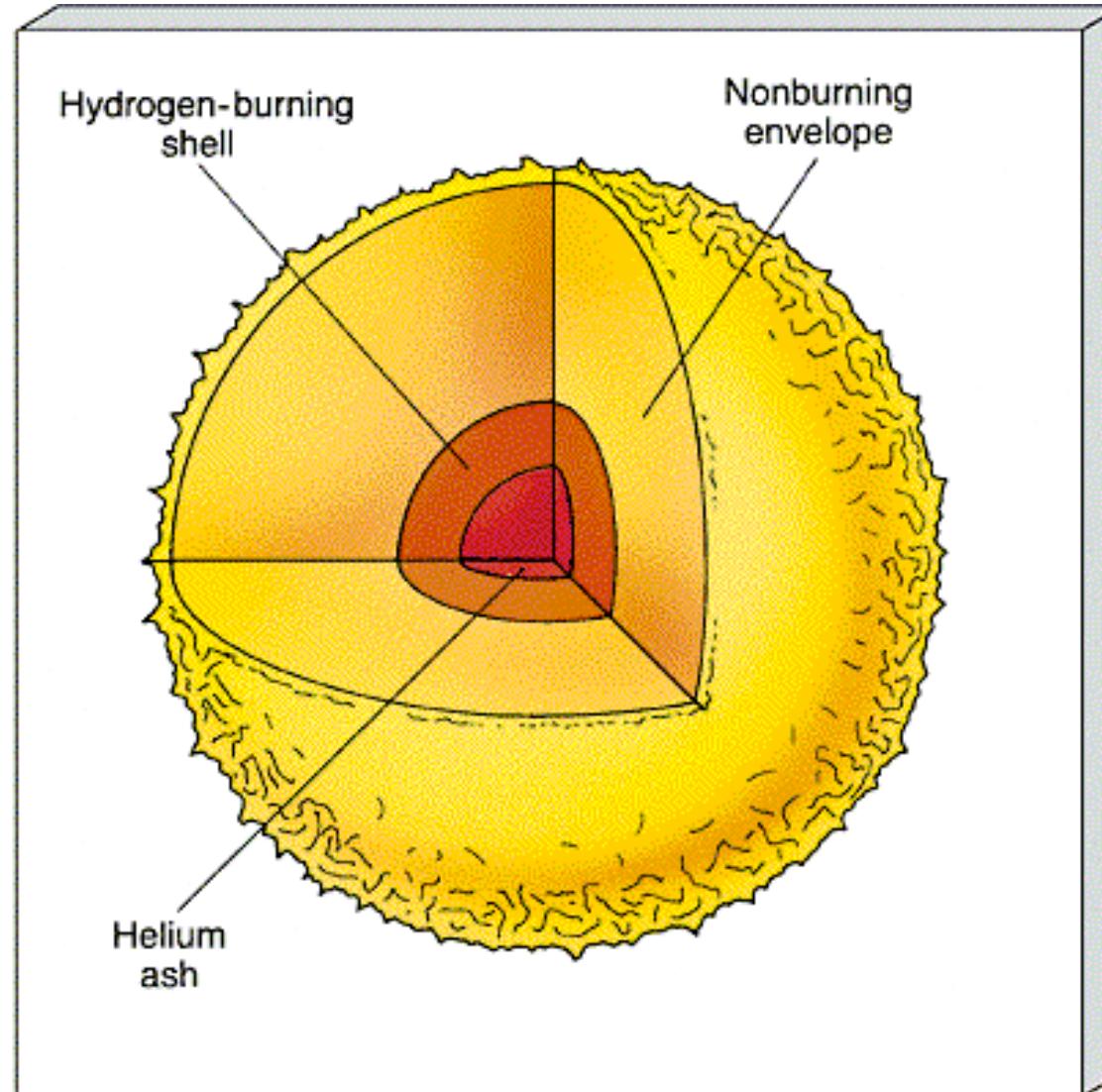
$$\eta = \frac{mv^2}{2 mc^2} = \frac{(v/c)^2}{2} = 4 \times 10^{-15} (v/100 \text{ km/h})^2$$

# Nuclear fission

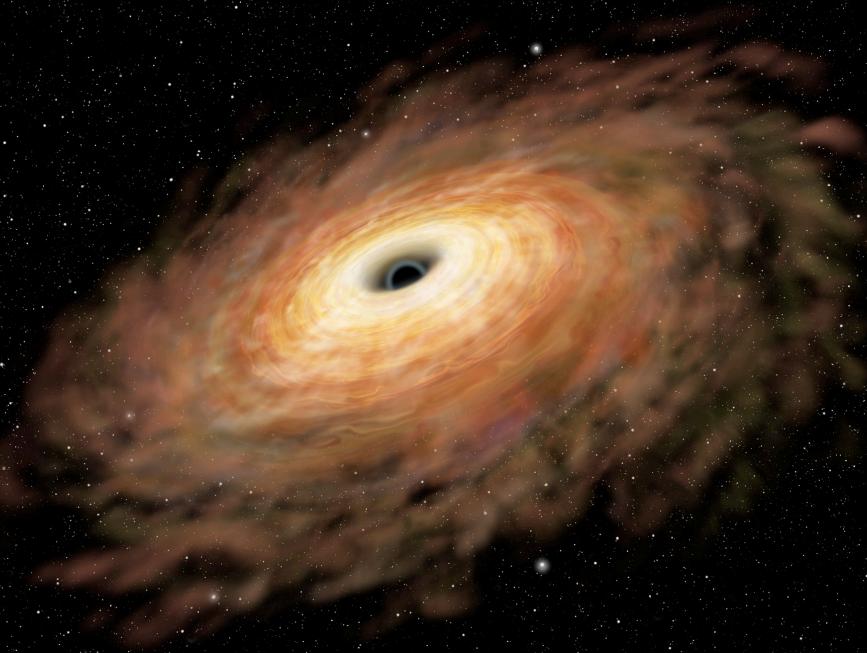


$$\eta = \frac{E}{mc^2} = \frac{0.2 \times 10^9 \text{ eV}}{235 \times 9.4 \times 10^8 \text{ eV}} \sim 9 \times 10^{-4}$$

# Fusion



$$\eta = 0.008 \times 0.1 \sim 8 \times 10^{-4}$$



$$\eta = \frac{1}{2} \frac{GMm}{Rmc^2} = \frac{R_g}{2R}$$

(Newton)

$R_{\min} = R_g$  for max spin

$\eta = 0.1$  up to  $0.3$  for accreting Kerr  
(Thorne 1974)

## DISK-ACCRETION ONTO A BLACK HOLE. II. EVOLUTION OF THE HOLE\*†

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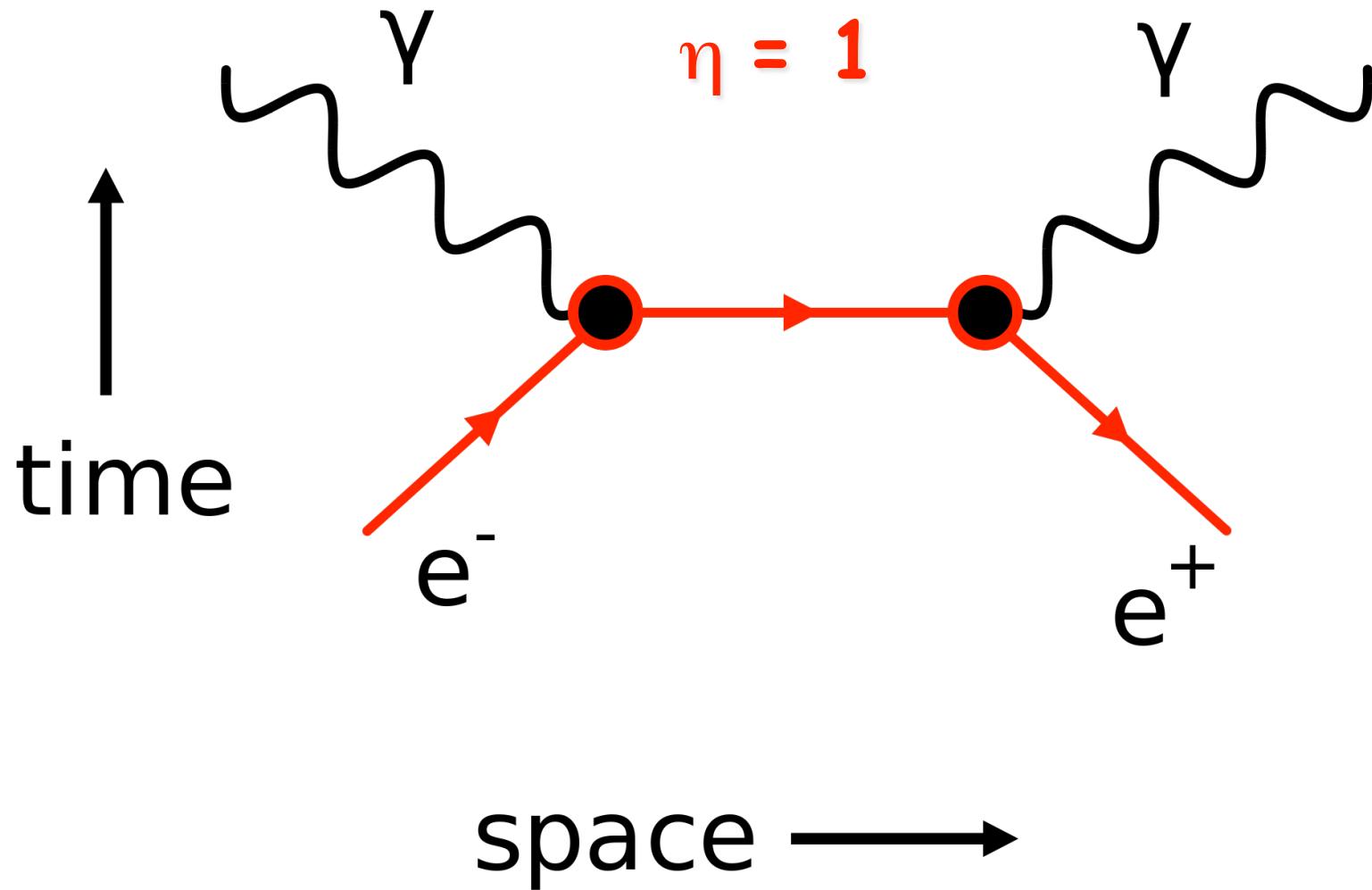
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### ABSTRACT

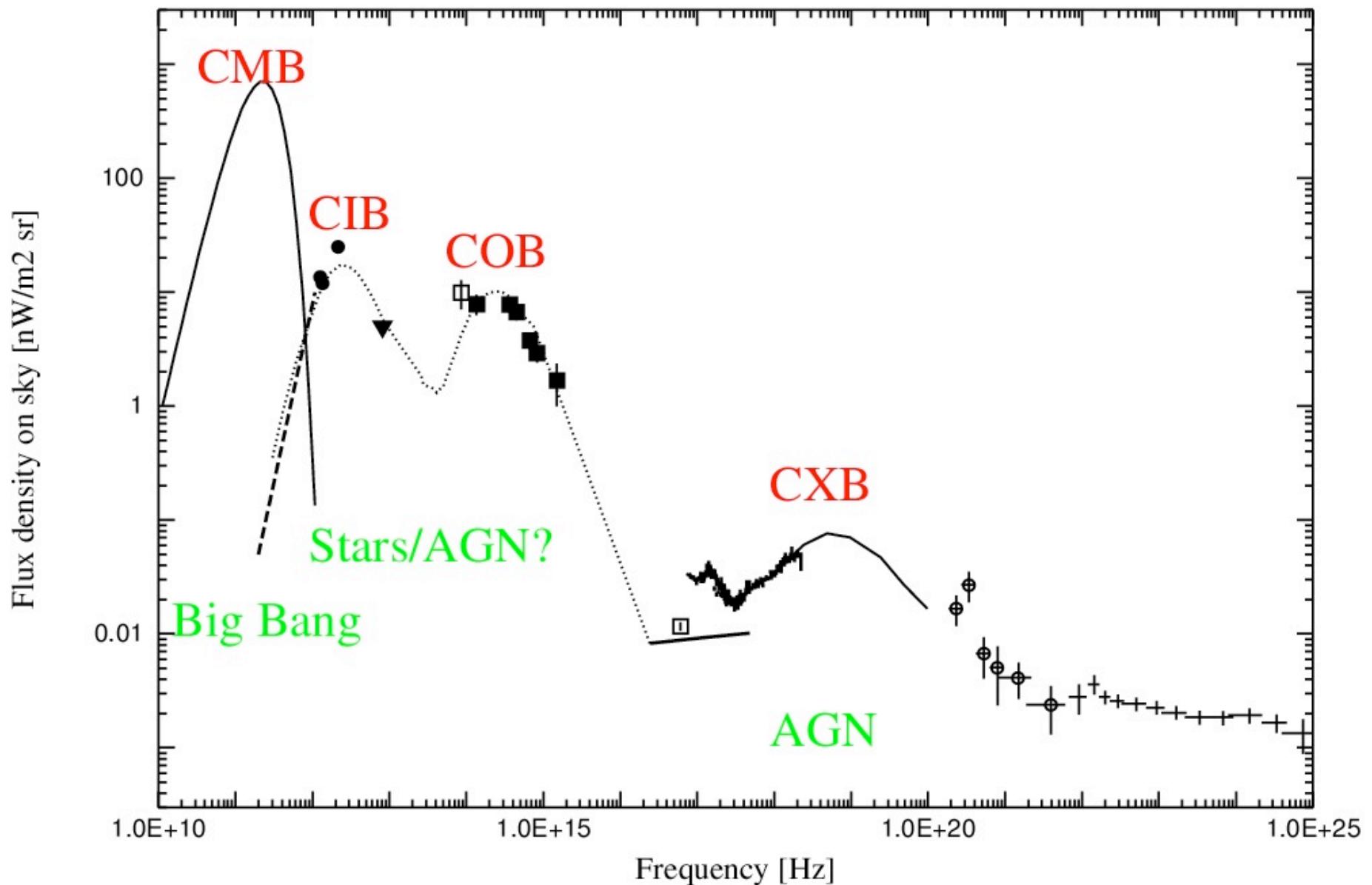
When a black hole swallows matter and radiation from an accretion disk, its mass  $M$  and angular momentum  $J \equiv Ma$  change—i.e., the hole evolves. The details of that evolution are calculated. The accreting matter, by itself, would spin the hole up to  $a = M$  (“extreme-Kerr hole”) after a modest amount of accretion ( $\Delta M/M_i \sim 1.5$ ). However, the radiation emitted by the disk and swallowed by the hole produces a counteracting torque, which prevents spin-up beyond a limiting state of  $(a/M)_{lim} \simeq 0.998$ . This limiting state corresponds to a maximum efficiency of 30 percent for the hole’s conversion of accreting mass into outgoing photon energy. In § IV it is argued that realistic phenomena ignored in this calculation (magnetic fields dragged down the hole by accreting matter; heating of outer parts of disk by X-rays from inner parts; . . .) might not change significantly the values  $(a/M)_{lim} \simeq 0.998$  and (maximum efficiency)  $\simeq 0.30$ .

*Subject headings:* black holes — rotation

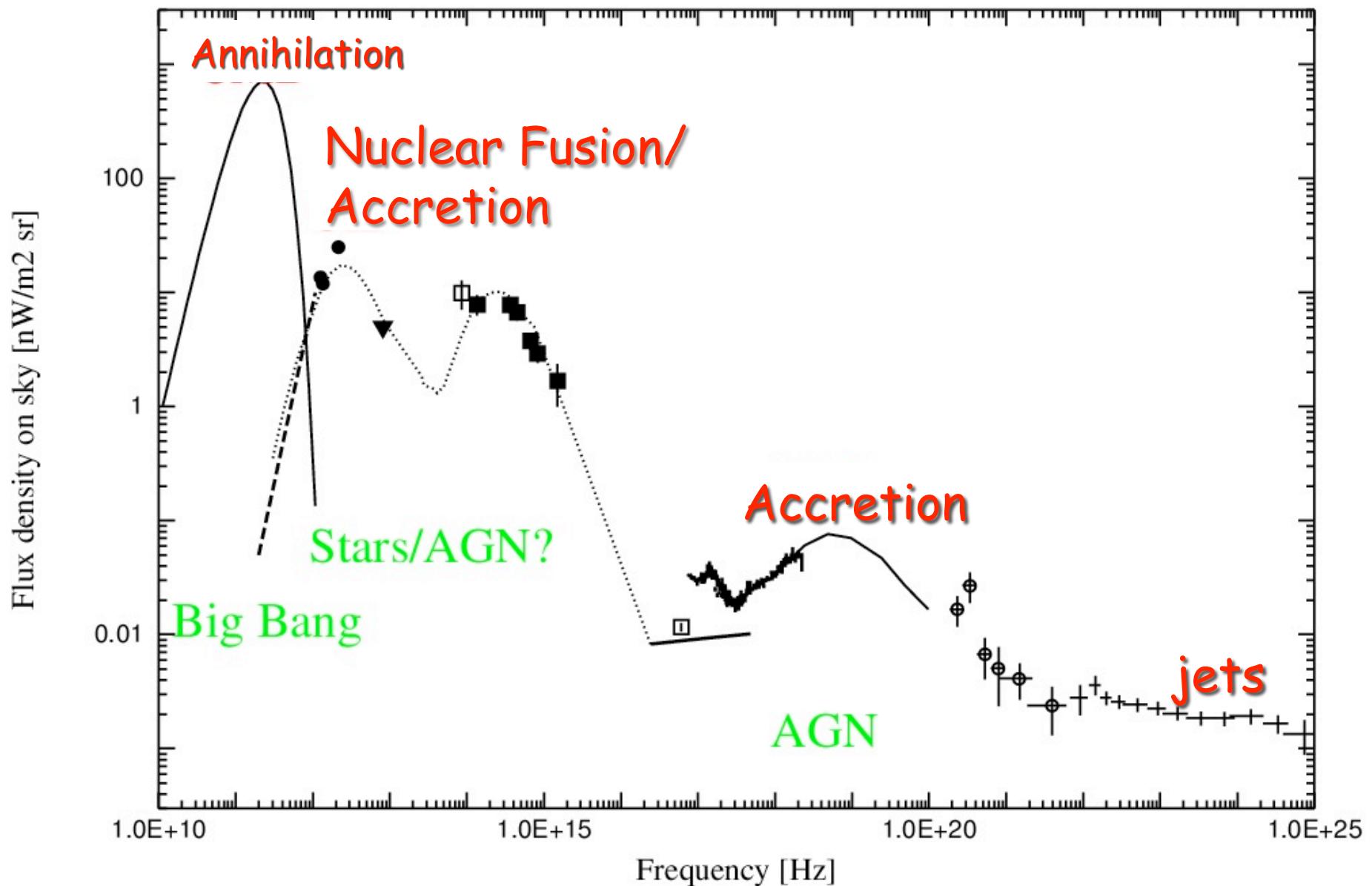
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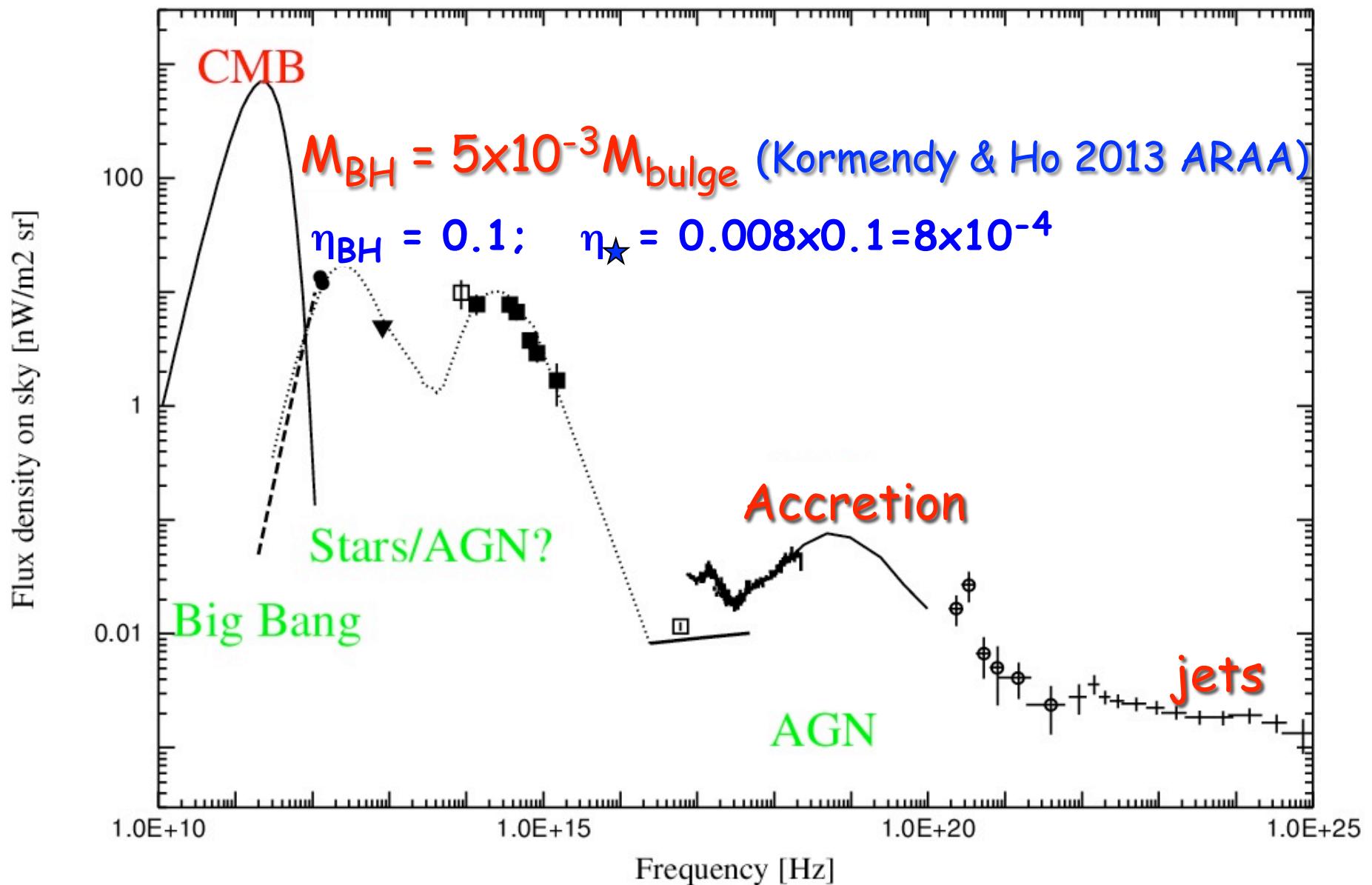
## The Cosmic Energy Density Spectrum



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$E_{\text{opt, BH}}$  from BH: 10% of their mass

The mass of BH is  $5 \times 10^{-3}$  of the mass of the stars in the central part of the galaxies

$$\rightarrow E_{\text{opt,BH}} = 5 \times 10^{-4} M_\star$$

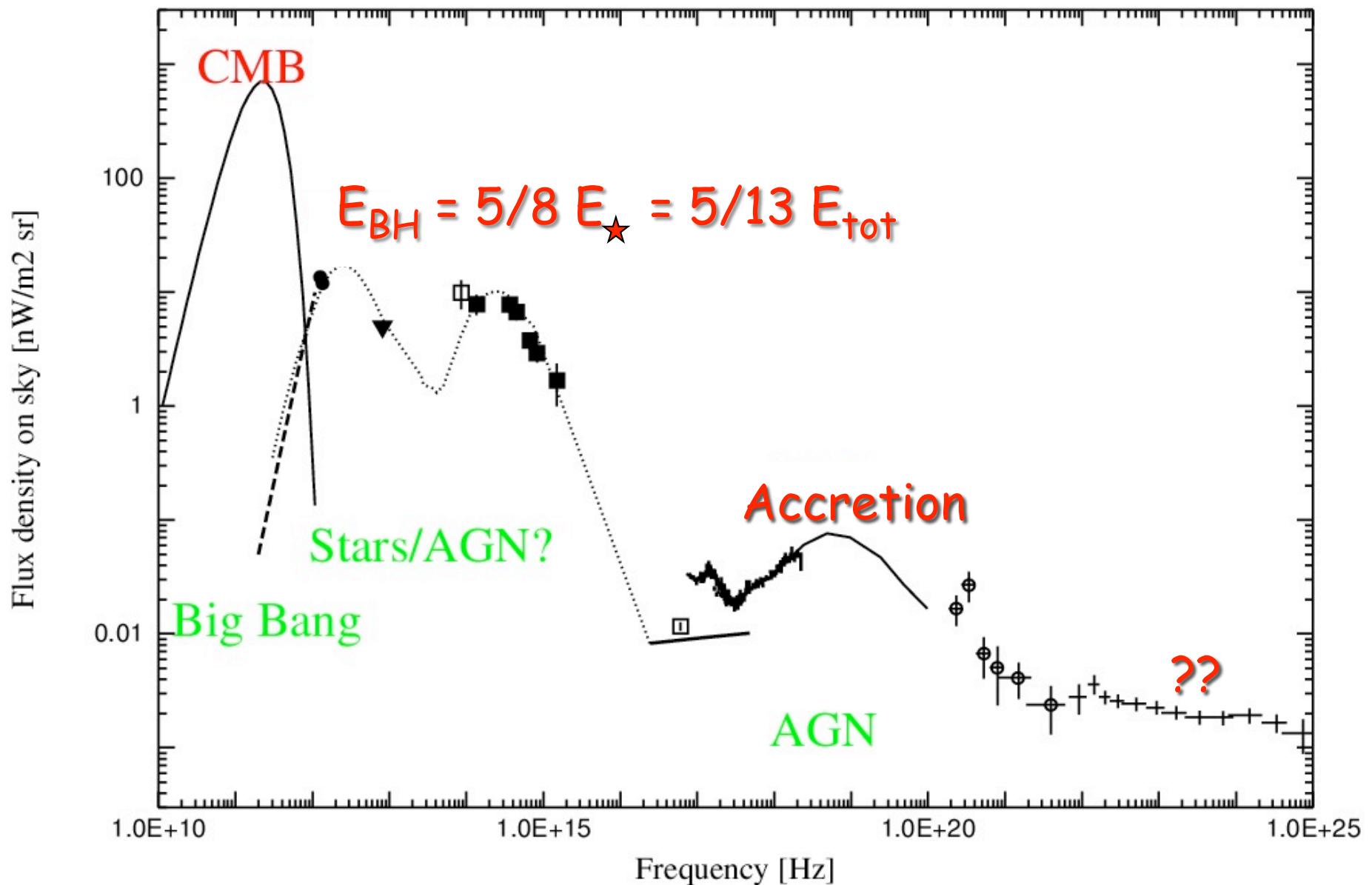
$E_{\text{opt}}$  from stars: 0.008 of their nuclear mass.

The nucleous is 10% of their mass  $M_\star \rightarrow$

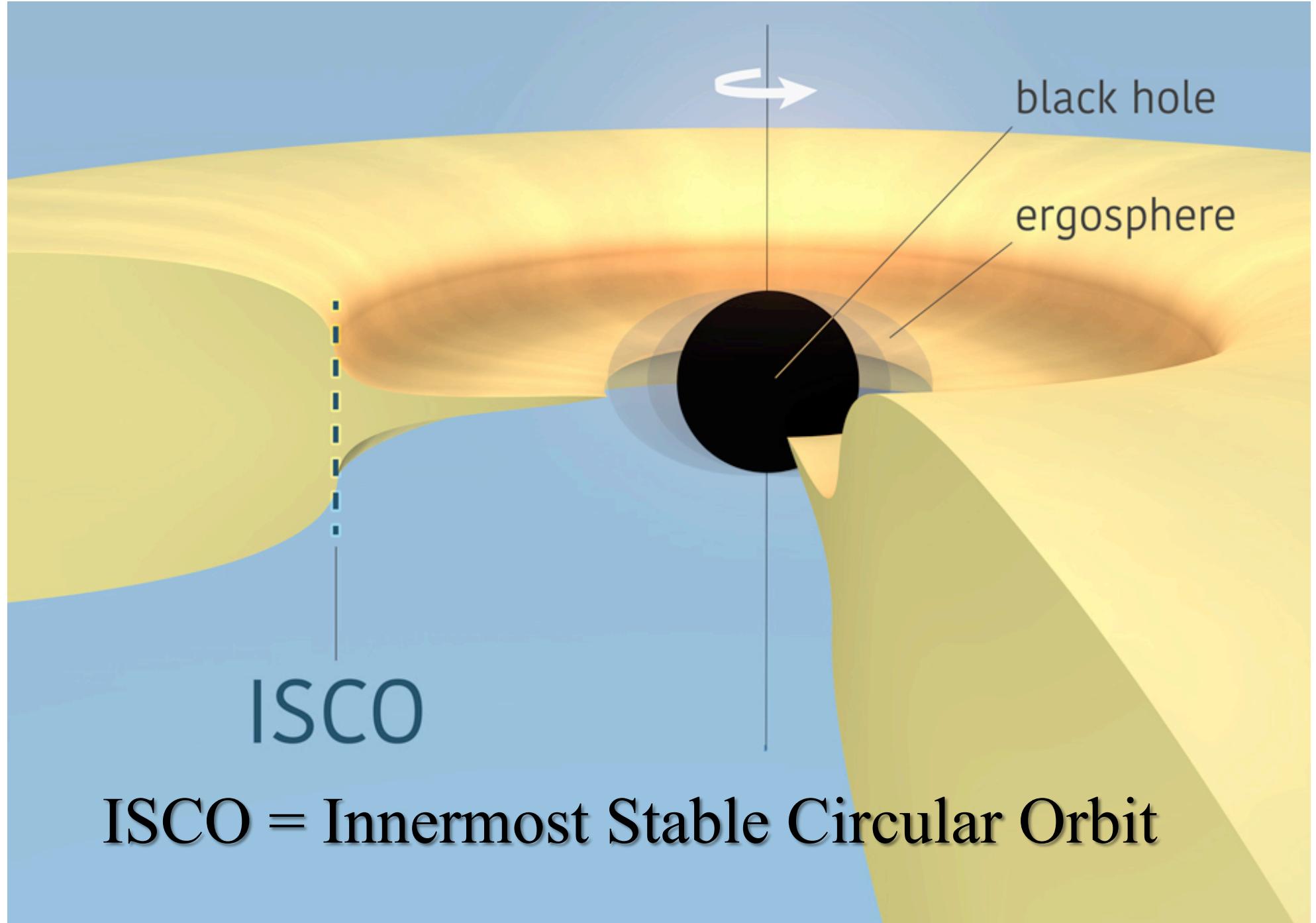
$$E_{\text{opt,}\star} = 8 \times 10^{-4} M_\star$$

$$E_{\text{opt, BH}} \sim 5/8 E_{\text{opt,}\star}$$

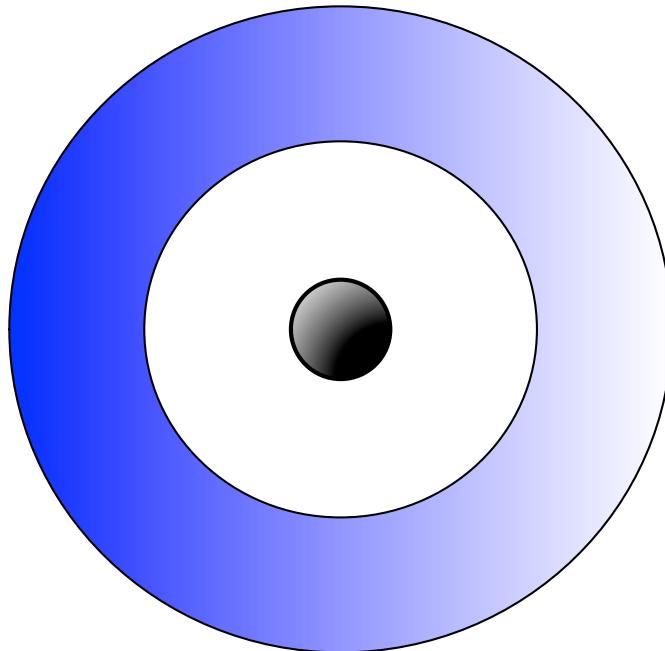
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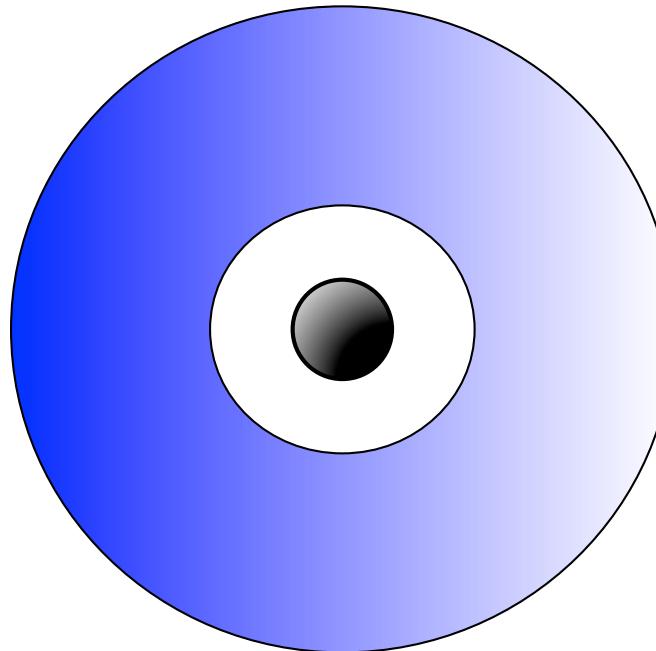
# Accretion disks



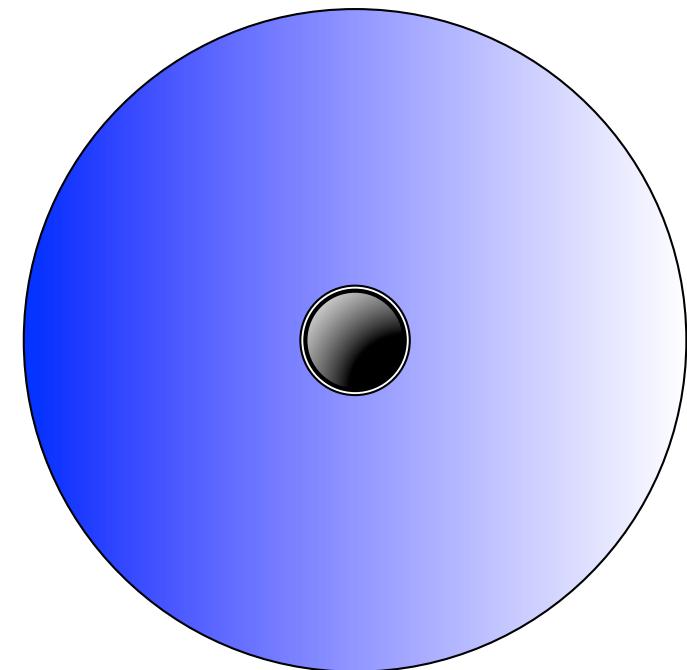
counter-rotating  
max BH spin



non-rotating  
BH spin=0



co-rotating  
Max BH spin



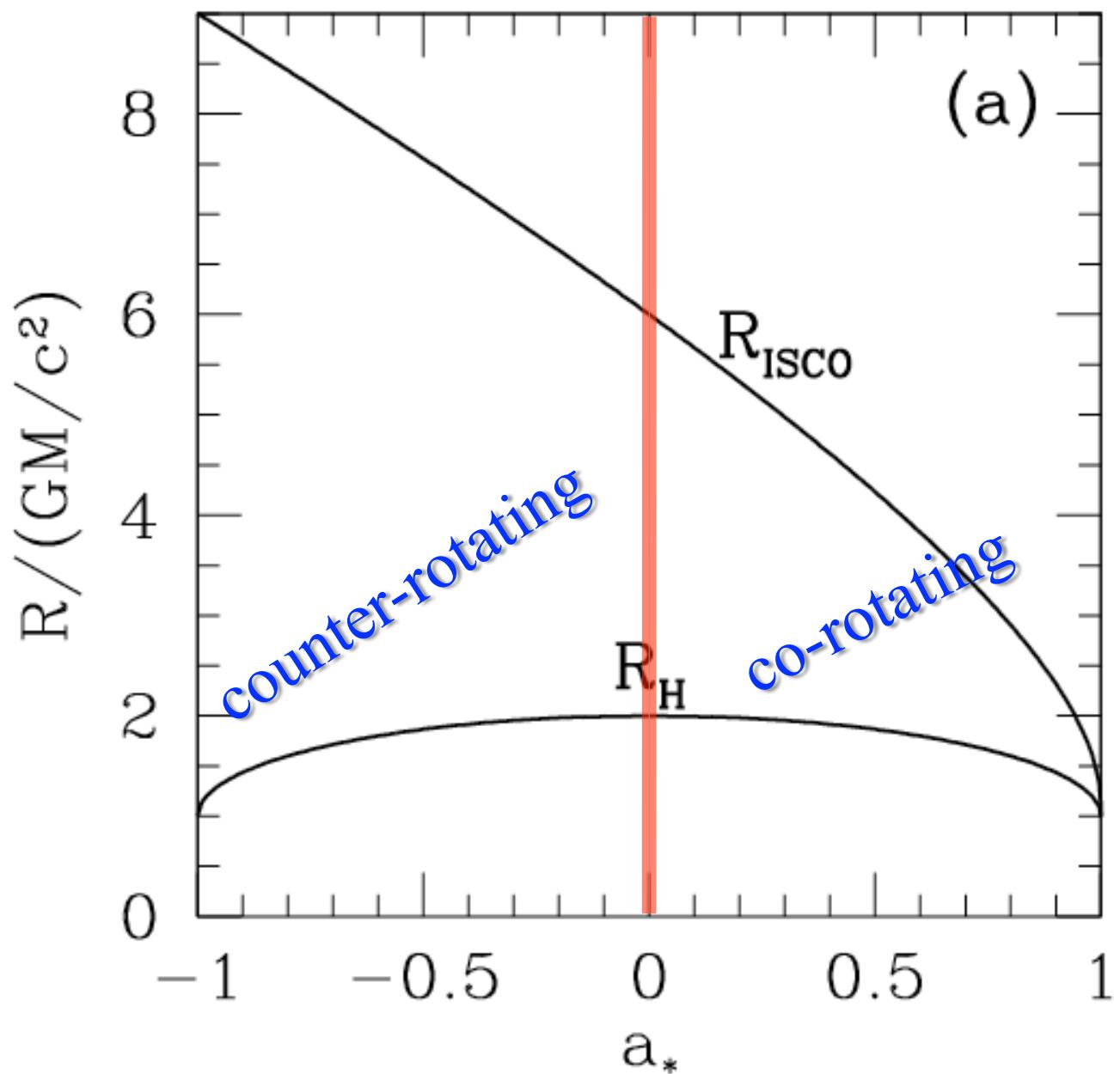
$$R_{\text{ISCO}} = 9R_g$$

$$R_{\text{ISCO}} = 3R_g$$

$$R_{\text{ISCO}} = R_g$$

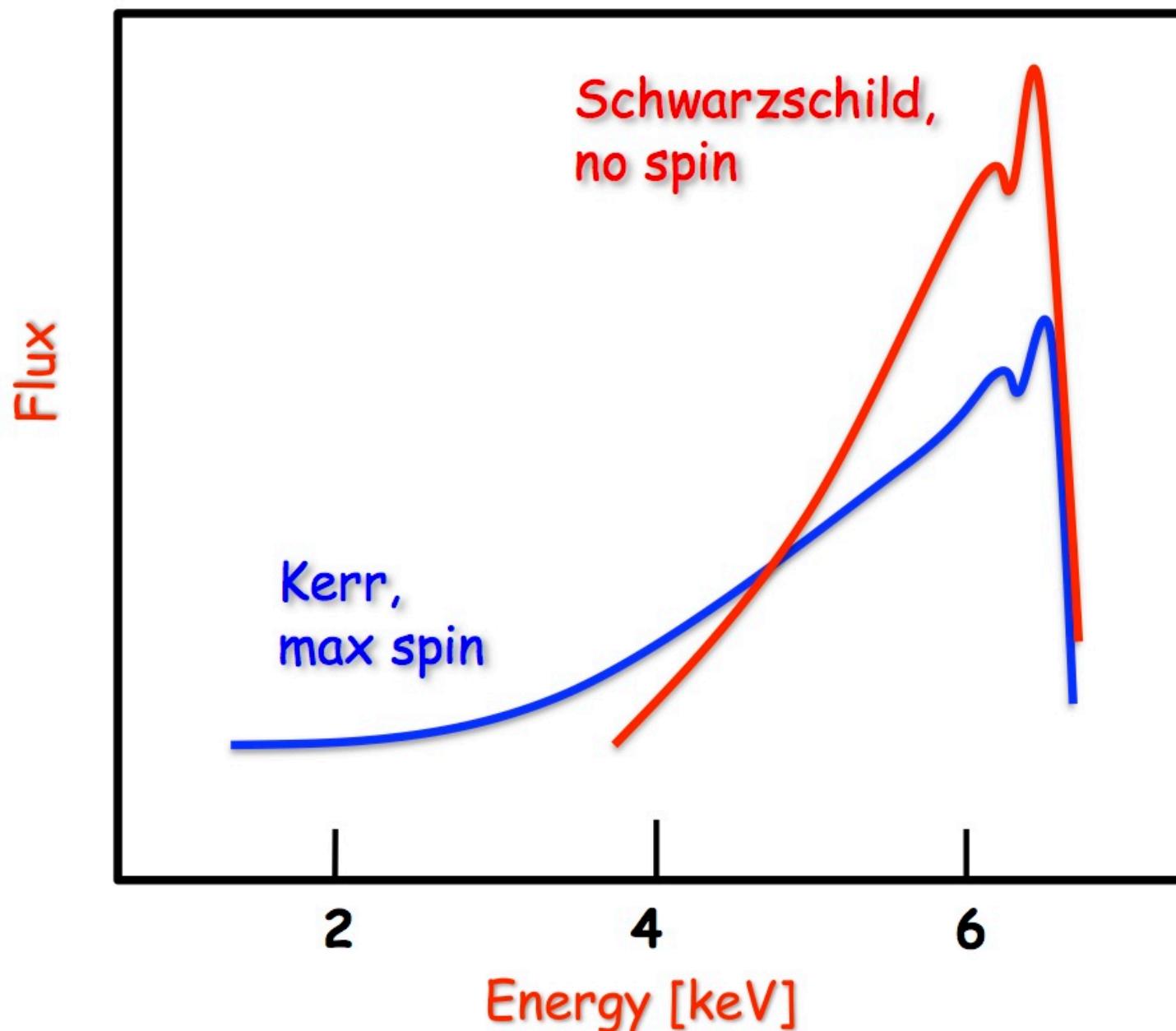
Great gravity  
Big efficiency  
Large velocities  
Large Doppler

**R<sub>ISCO</sub>**



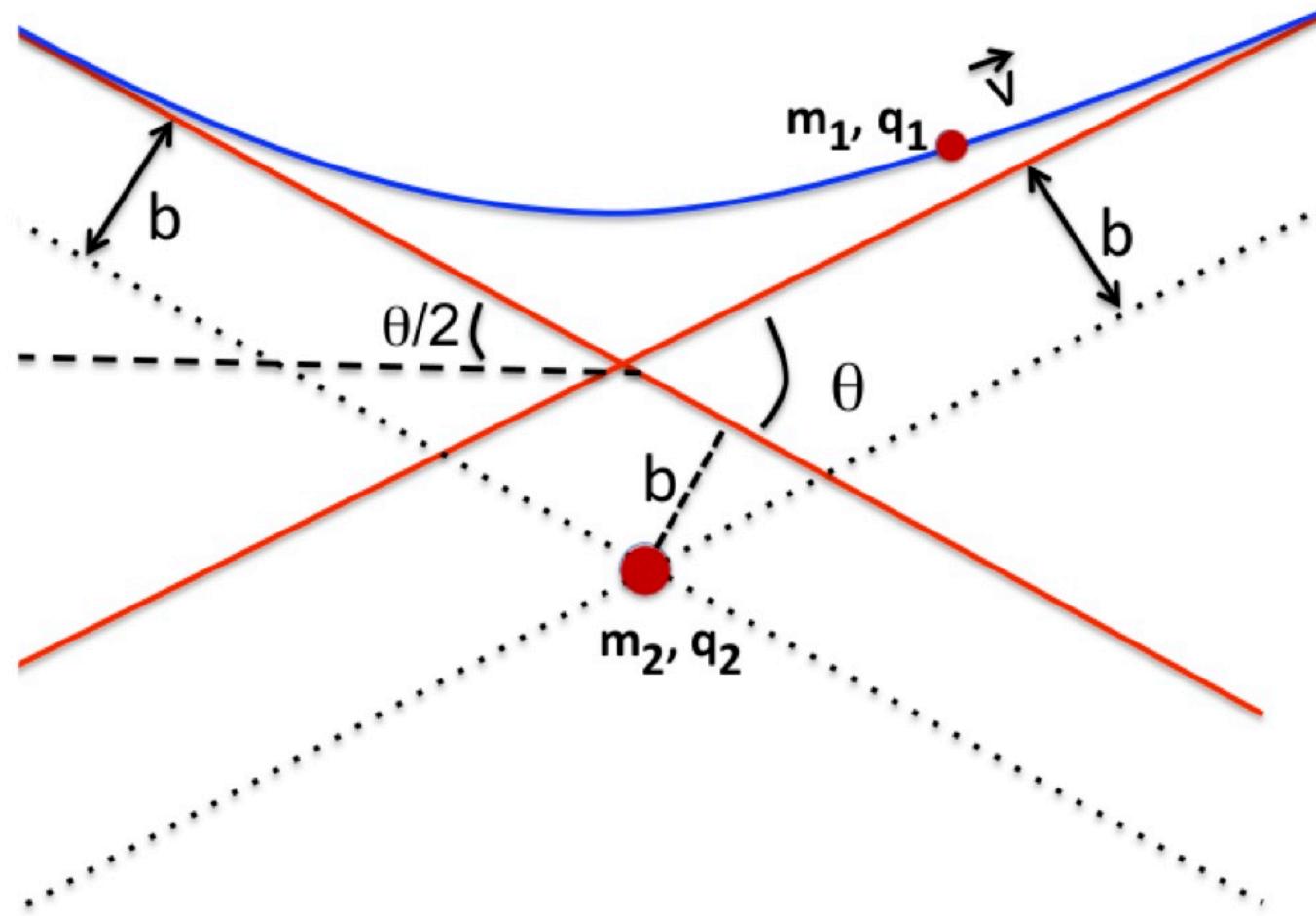
McClintock, Narayan, & Steine 2014

K $\alpha$  Iron line (6.4 keV) tells the spin ( $\rightarrow$ ATHENA)



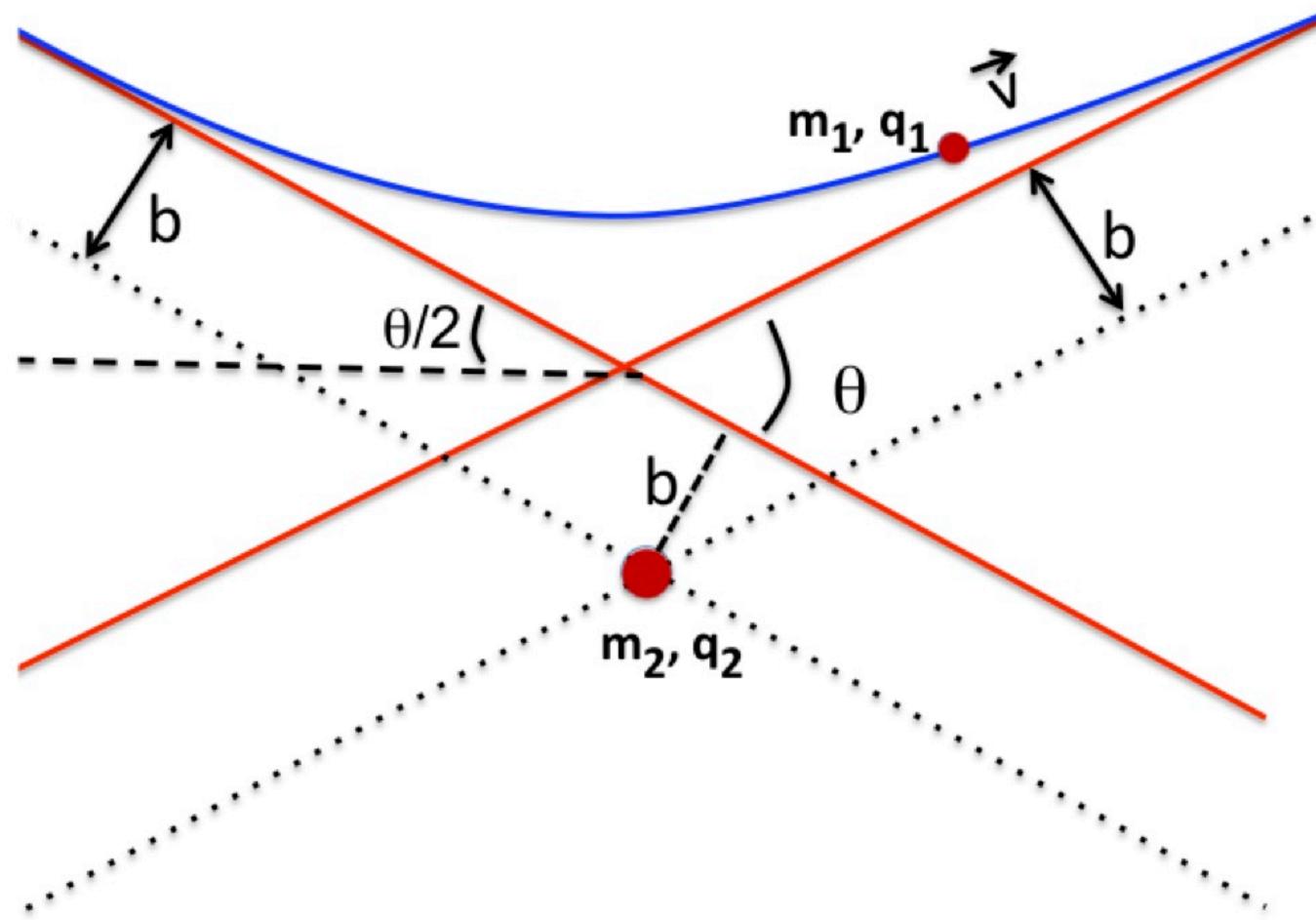
Accreting protons have the energy  
Electrons emit  
There must be exchange of energy between p and e-

Accreting protons have the energy  
Electrons emit  
Proton-electron energy exchange : Coulomb collisions



## Coulomb collisions cross section

$$\sigma_{\text{cc}} = \frac{3\sigma_T}{32\pi \beta^4 \sin(\theta/2)^4}$$



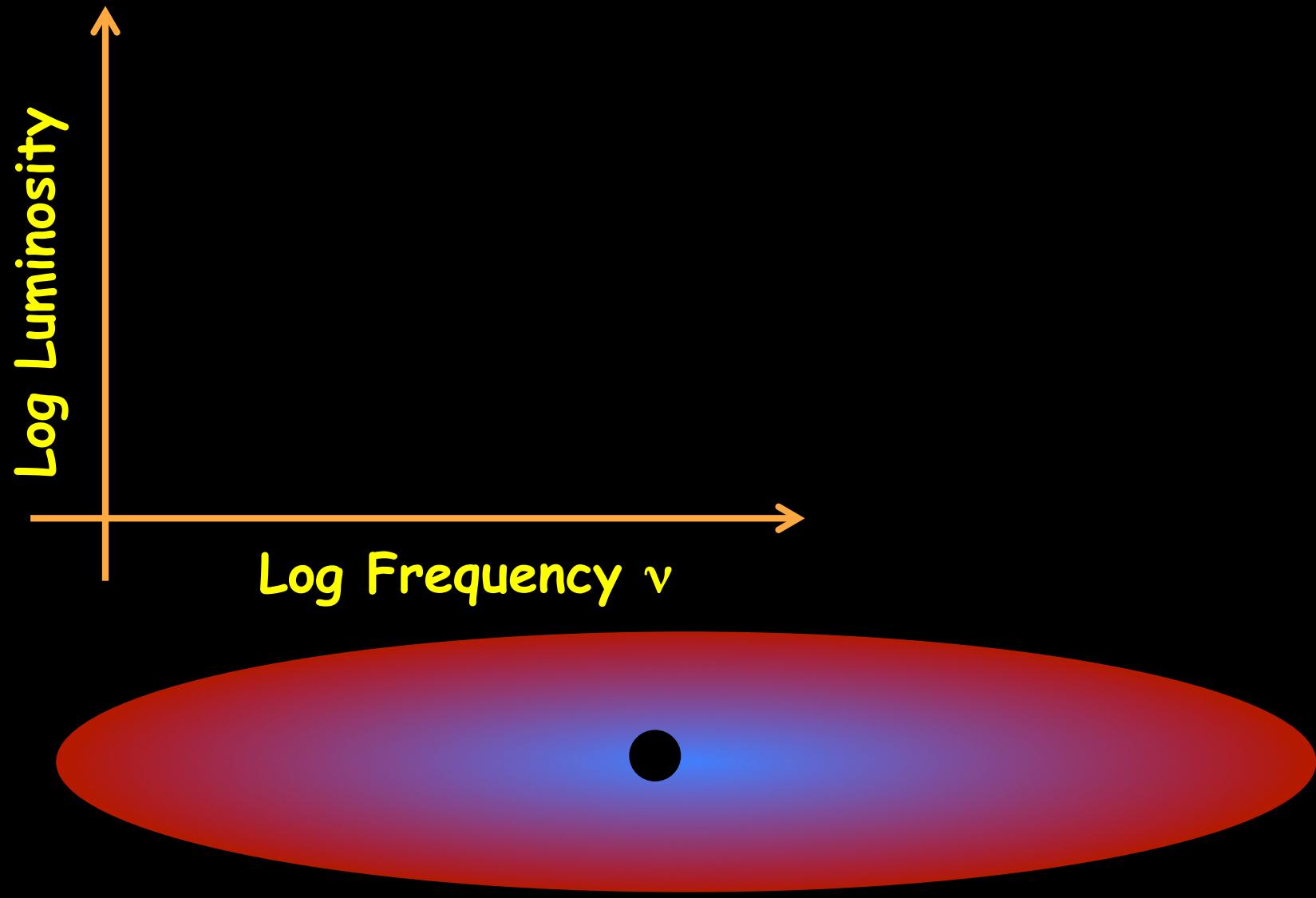
# **Three regimes of accretion**

**Low accretion rates:** small density,  
**Coulomb collisions are not sufficient to pass**  
**energy from protons to electrons**

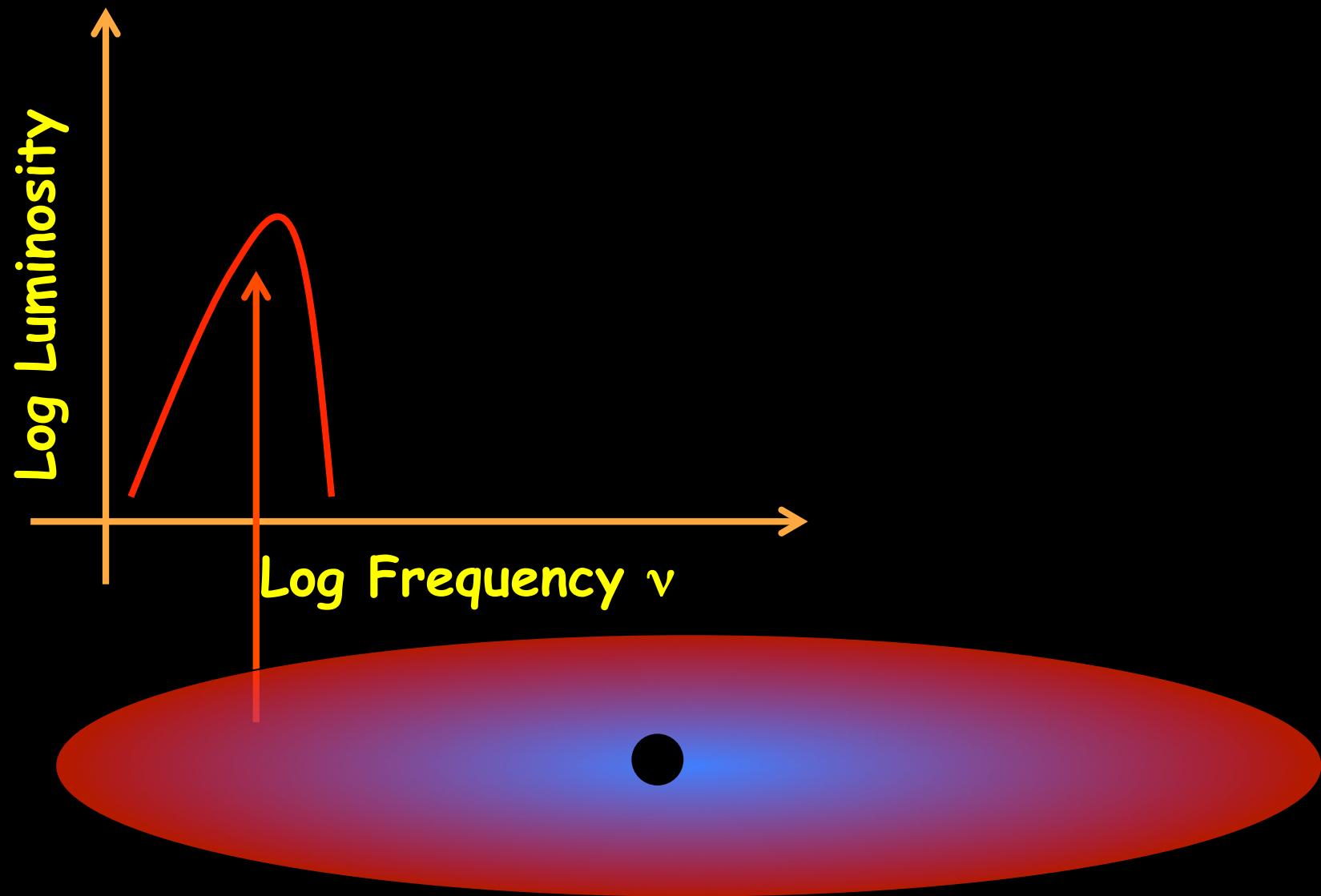
**Intermediate accretion rates:** Shakura  
**Sunjaev disk:** optically thick, geometrically thin

**High accretion rates:** large density, large  
optical depth: the produced photons cannot  
escape, they are advected into the black hole

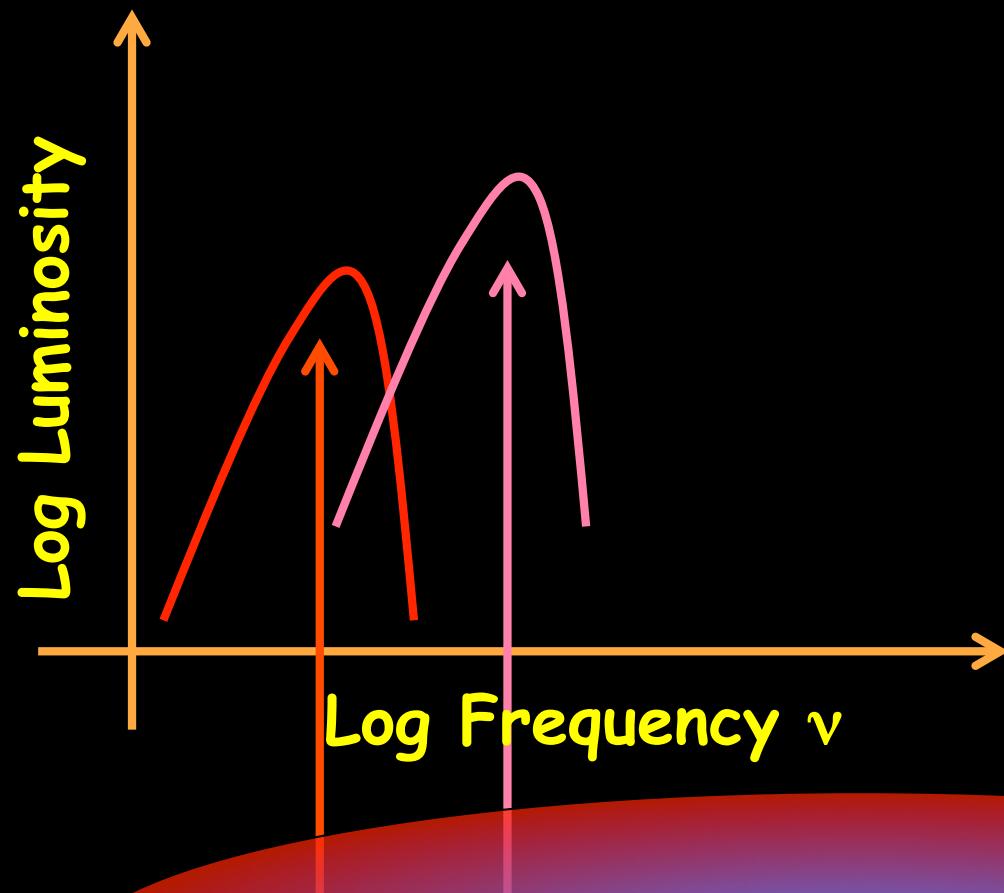
# Shakura Sunjaev disk



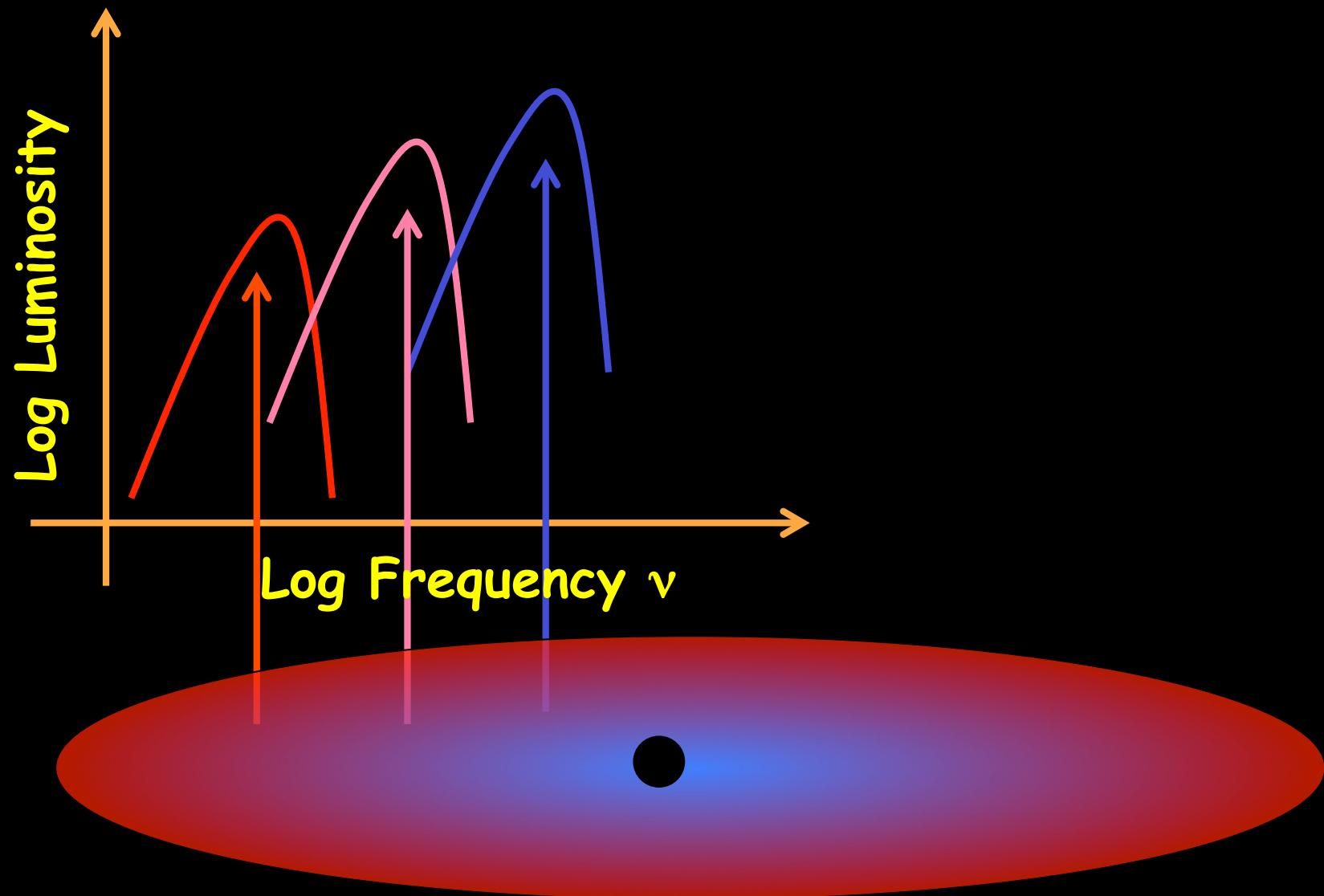
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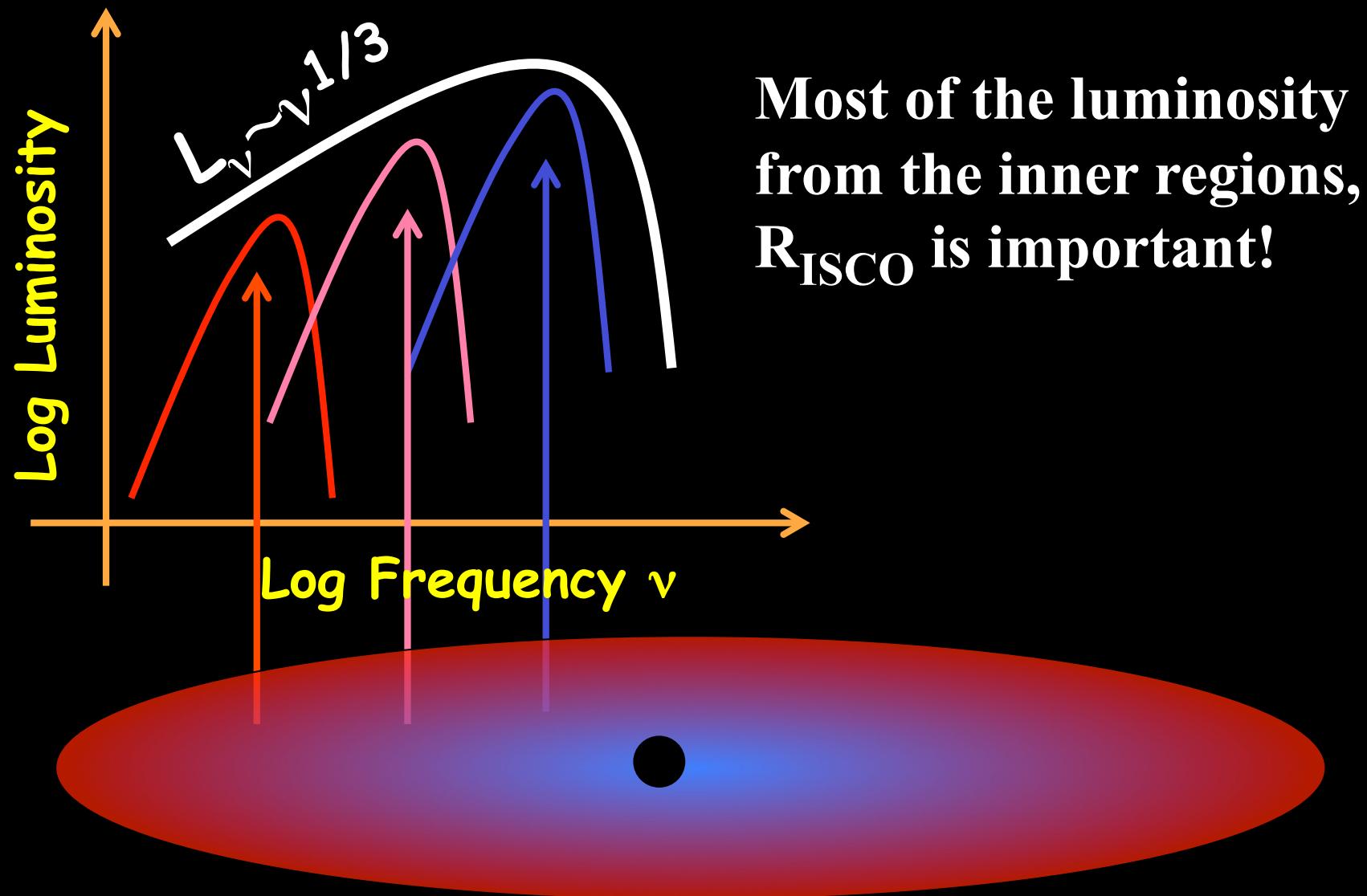
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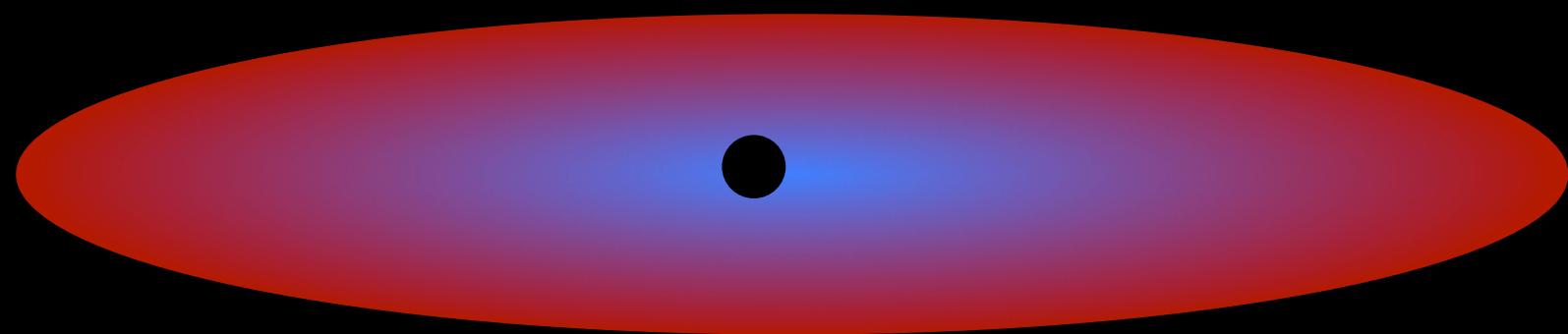
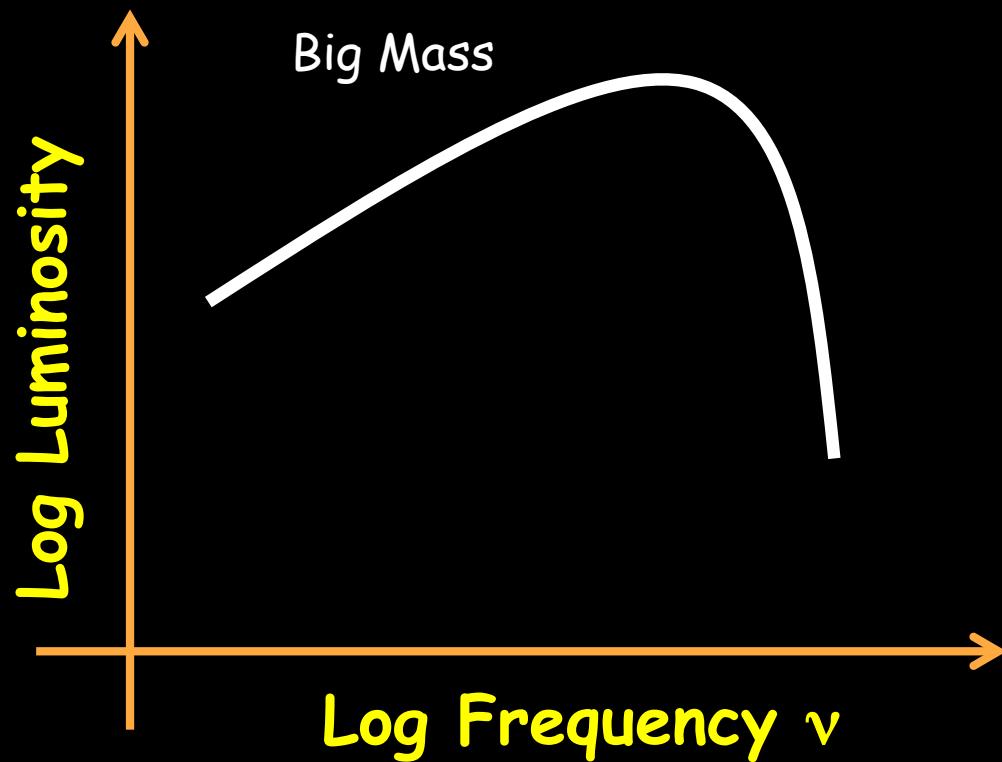
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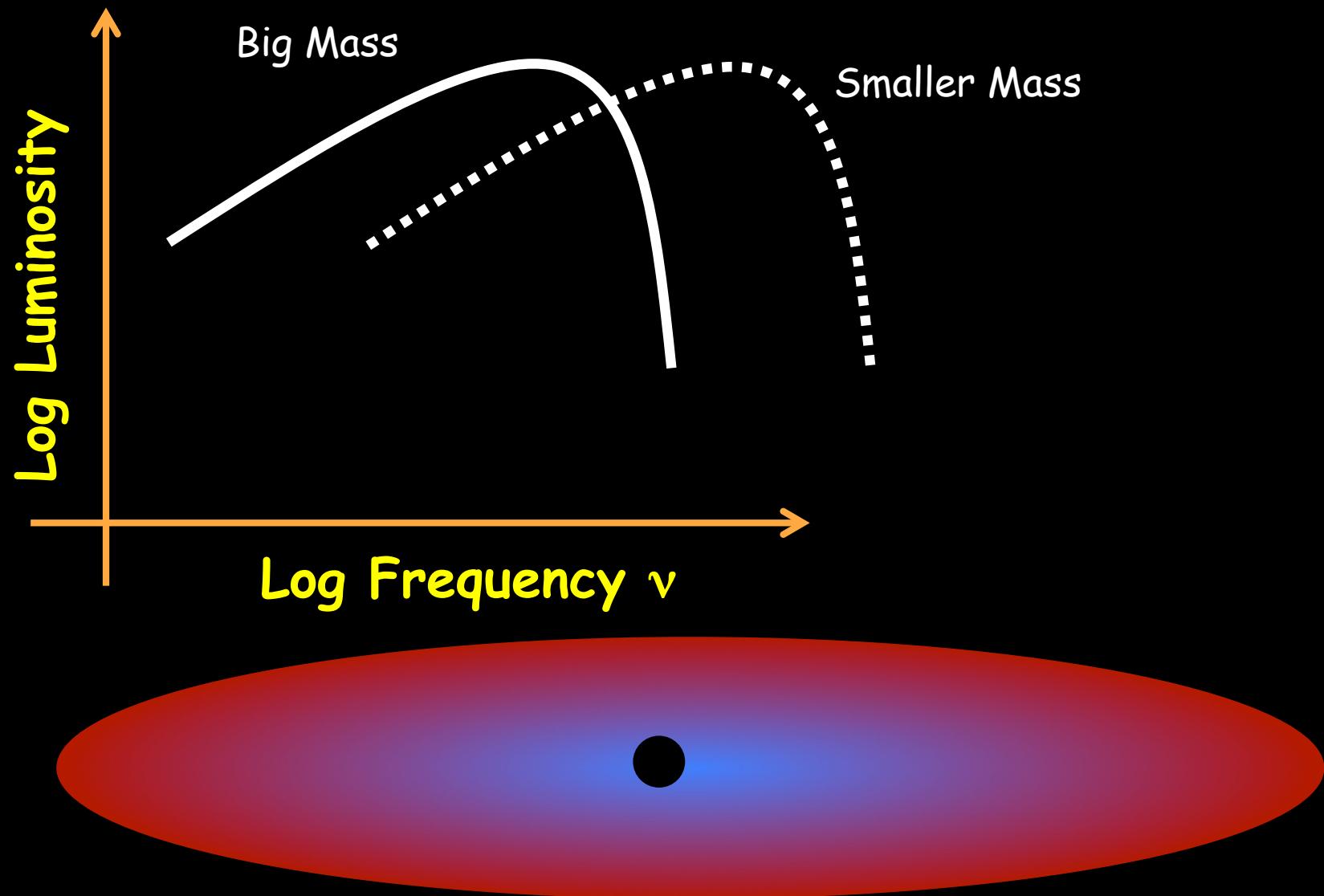
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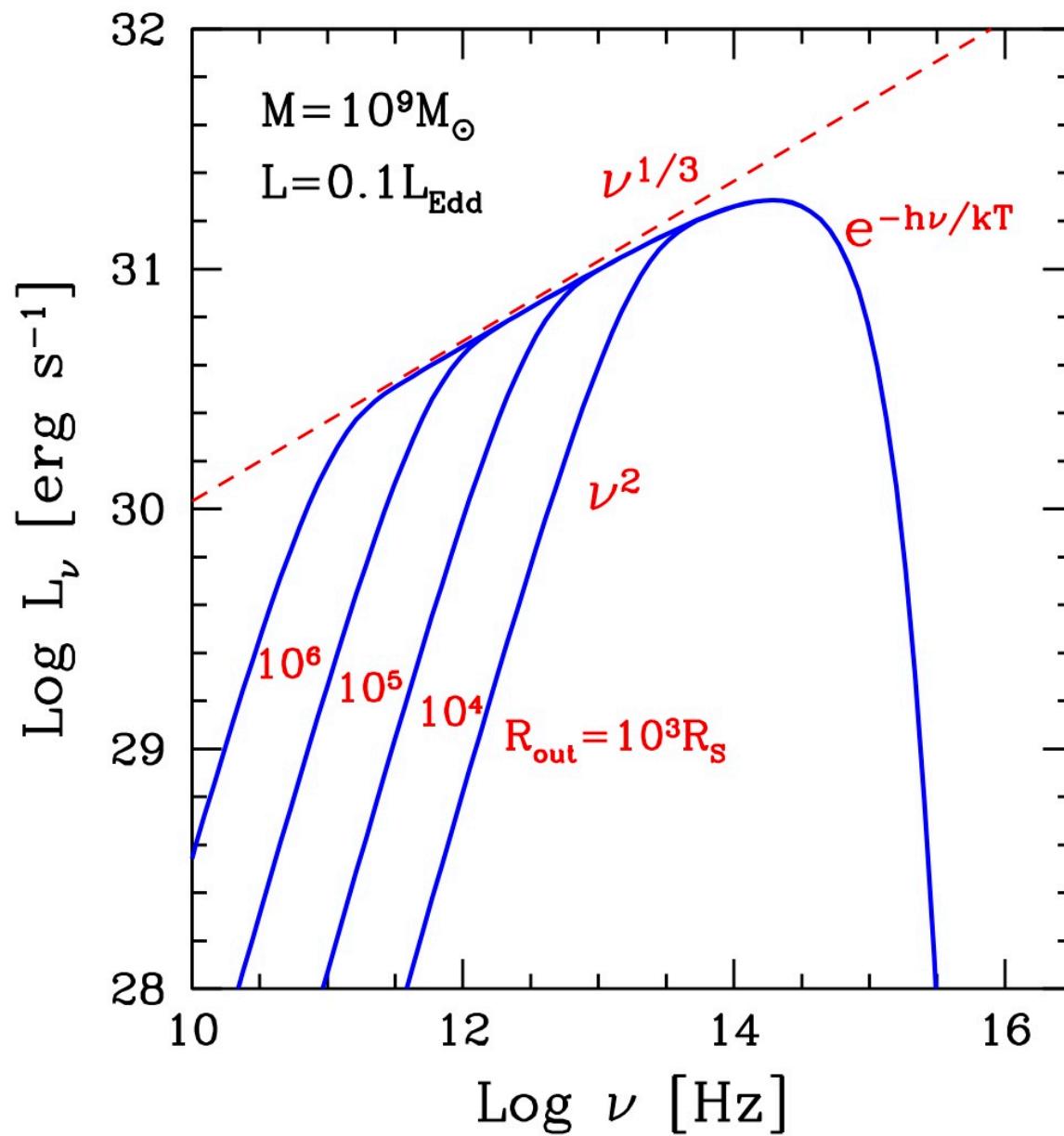


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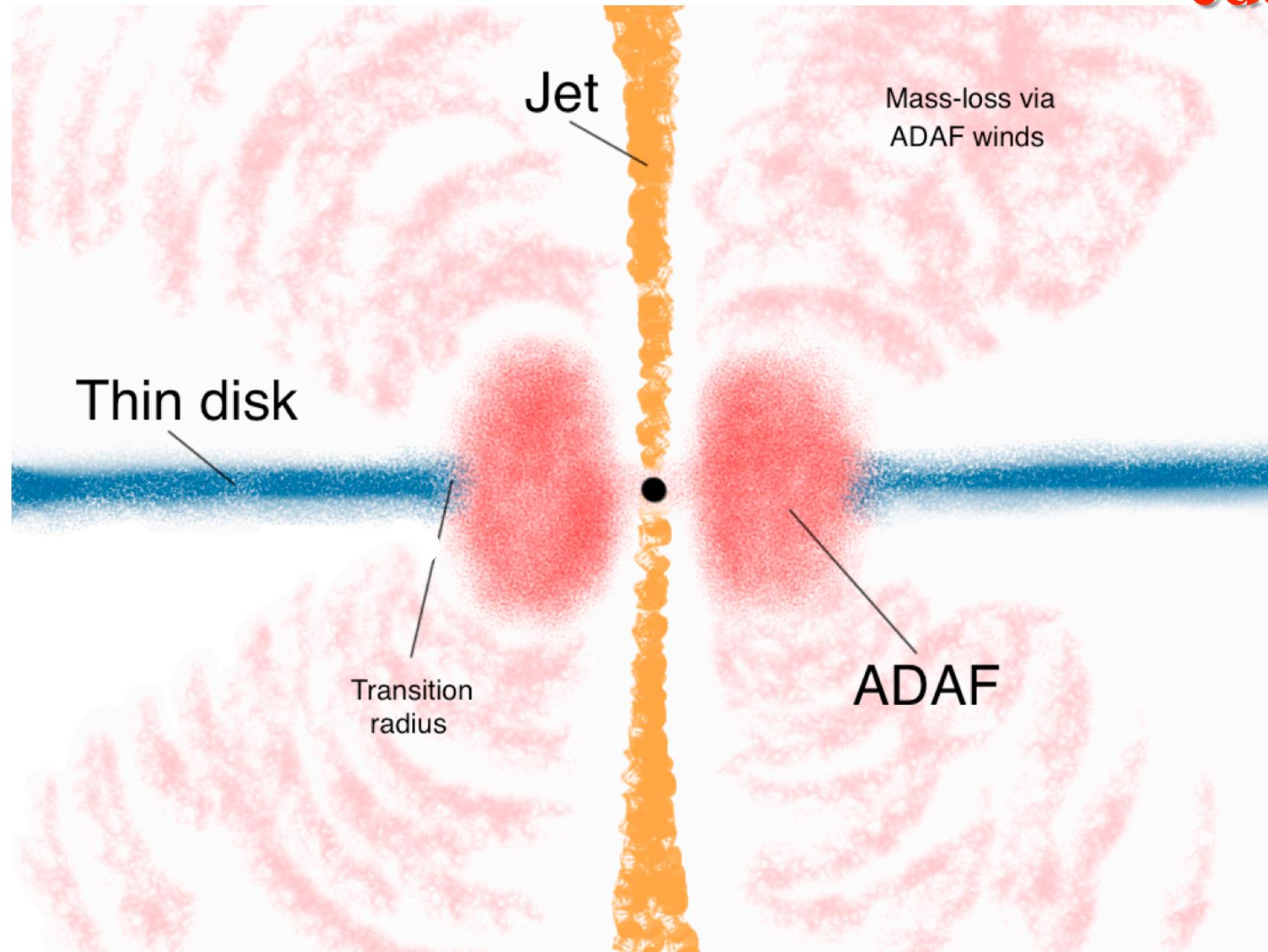




$\nu^{1/3}$  visible if  
 $R_{\text{out}} \gg R_{\text{ISCO}}$

Small  $\nu$ :  $L_\nu \sim \nu^2$

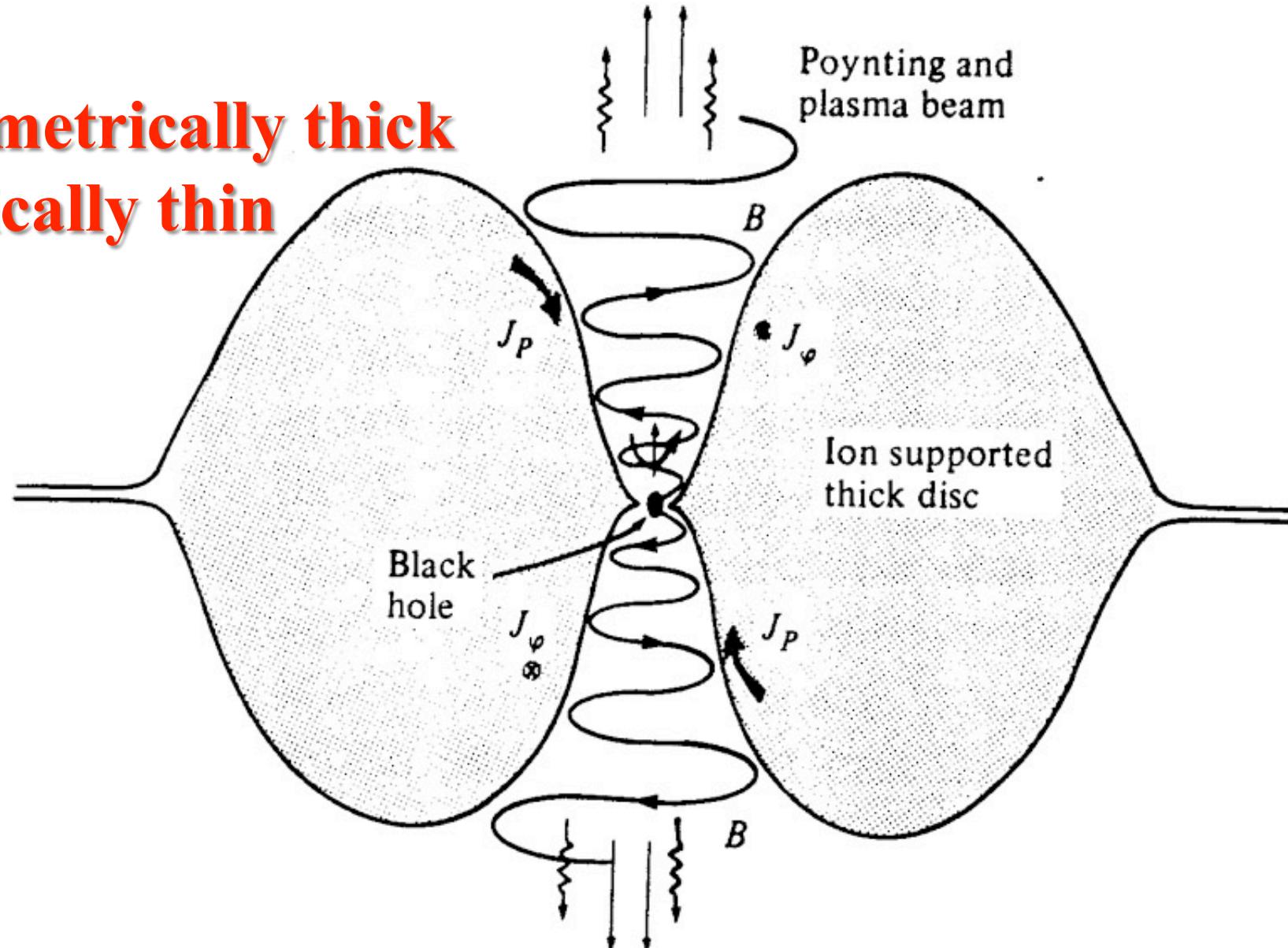
# Low accretion rate: $L < 10^{-2} L_{\text{edd}}$



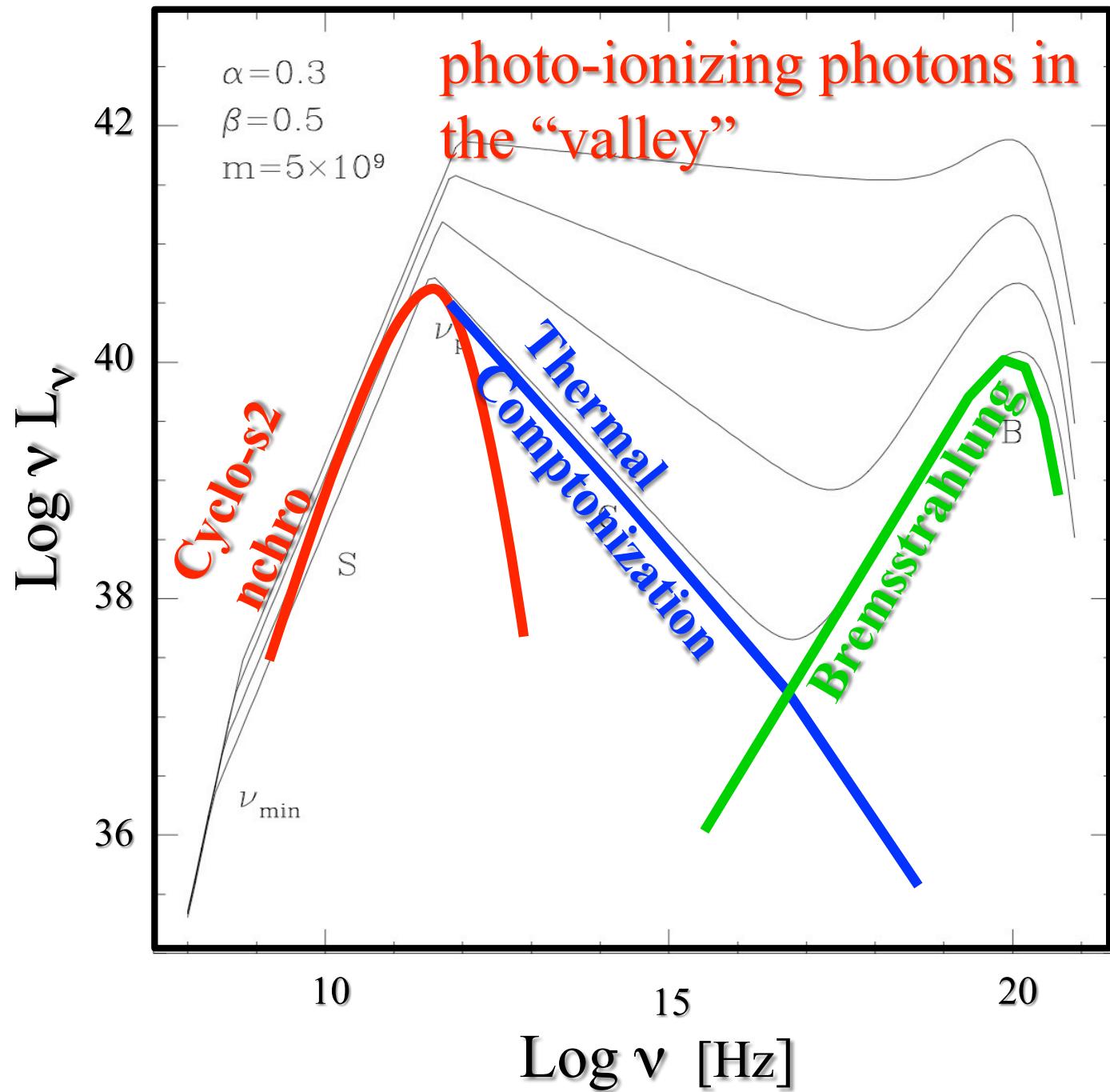
# Ion Supported Tori

Rees, Begelman, Blandford & Phinney, [1982, Nature, 295, 17.](#)

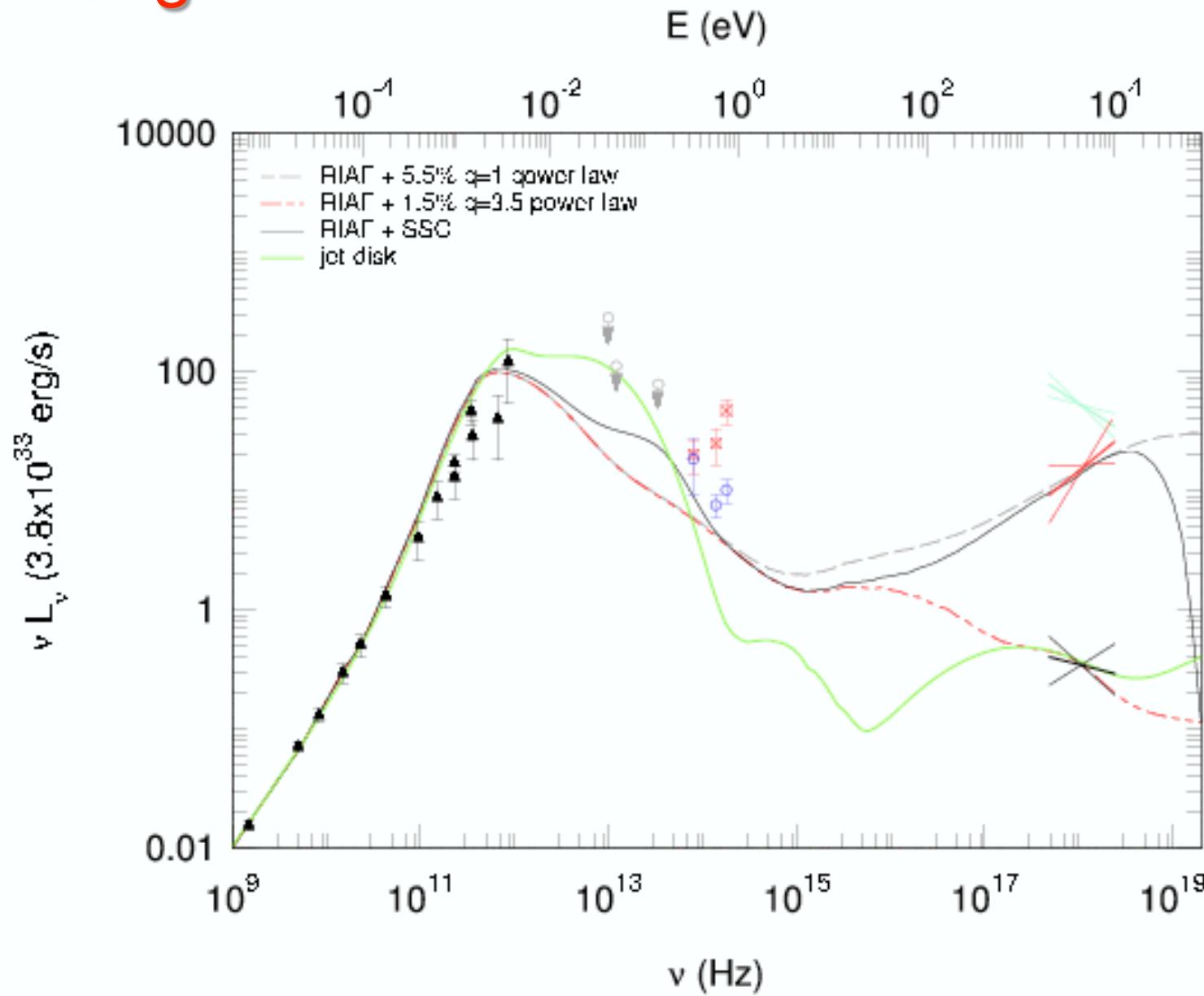
**geometrically thick  
optically thin**



Mahadevan 1997

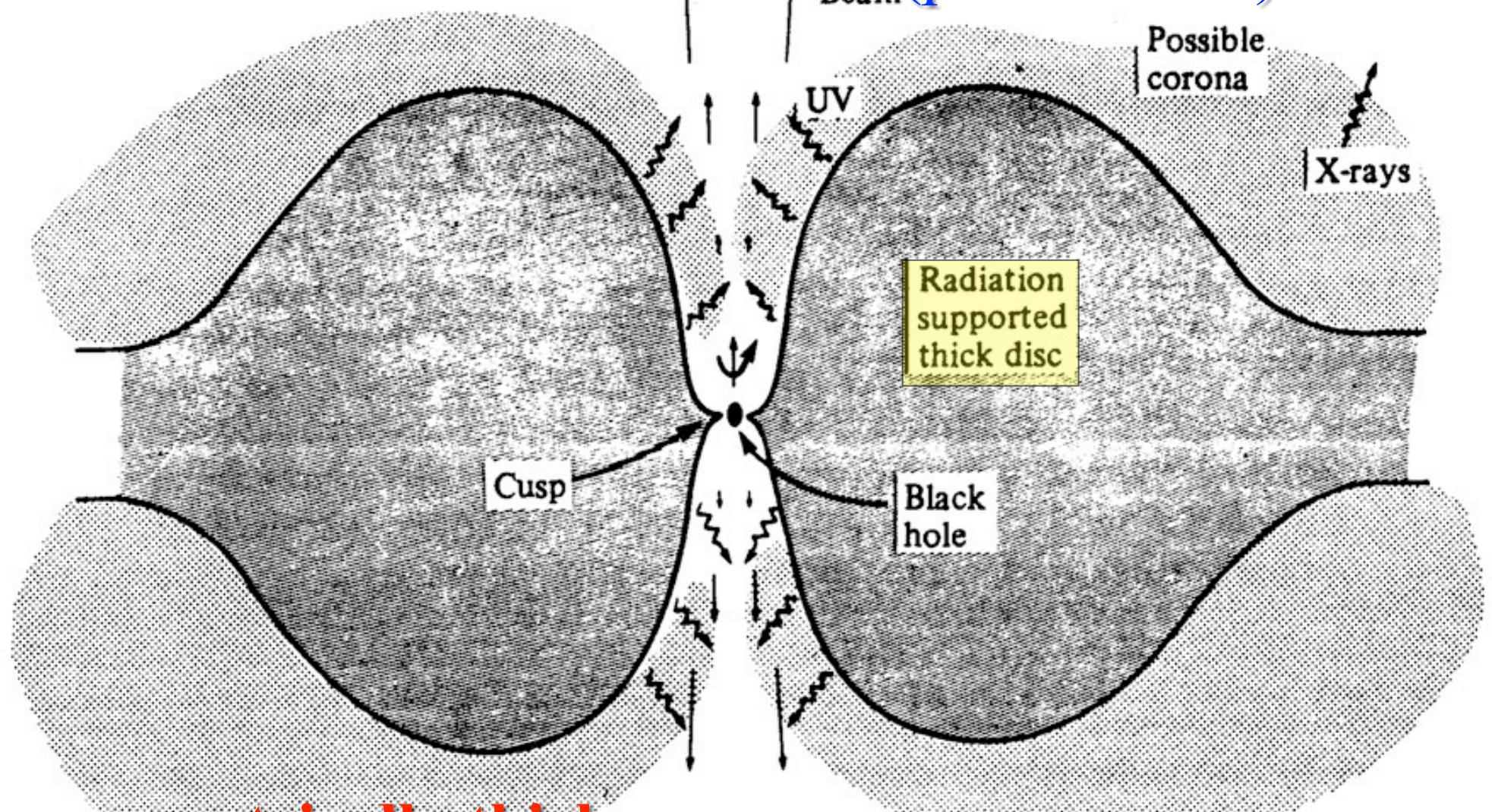


# Sagittarius A\*



# High accretion rate: $L \sim L_{\text{edd}}$

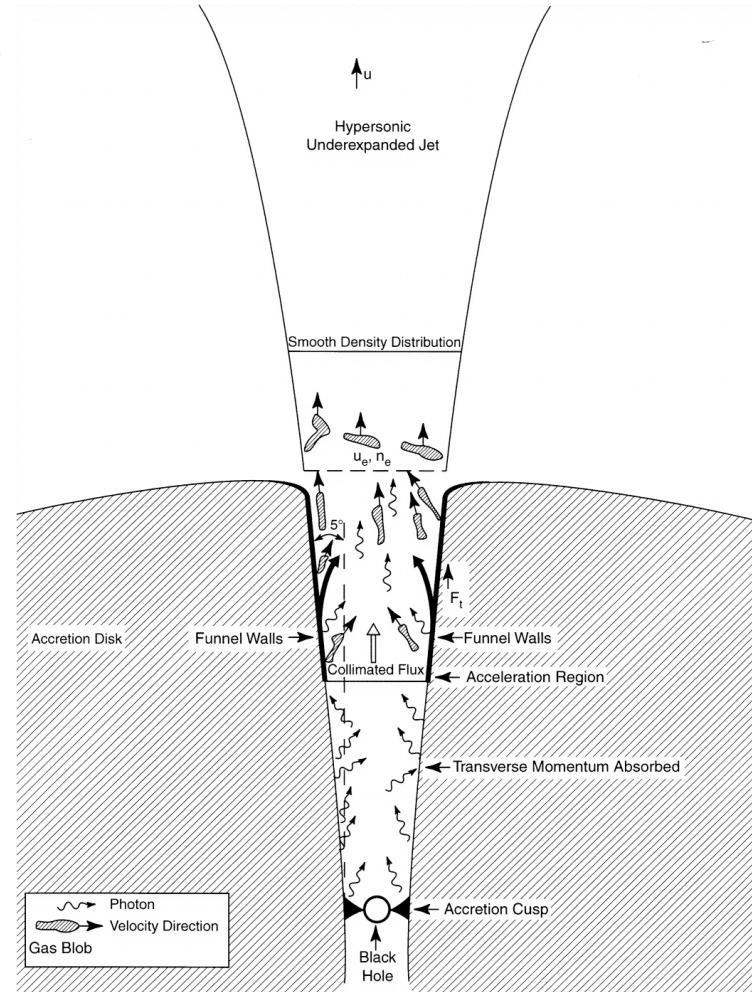
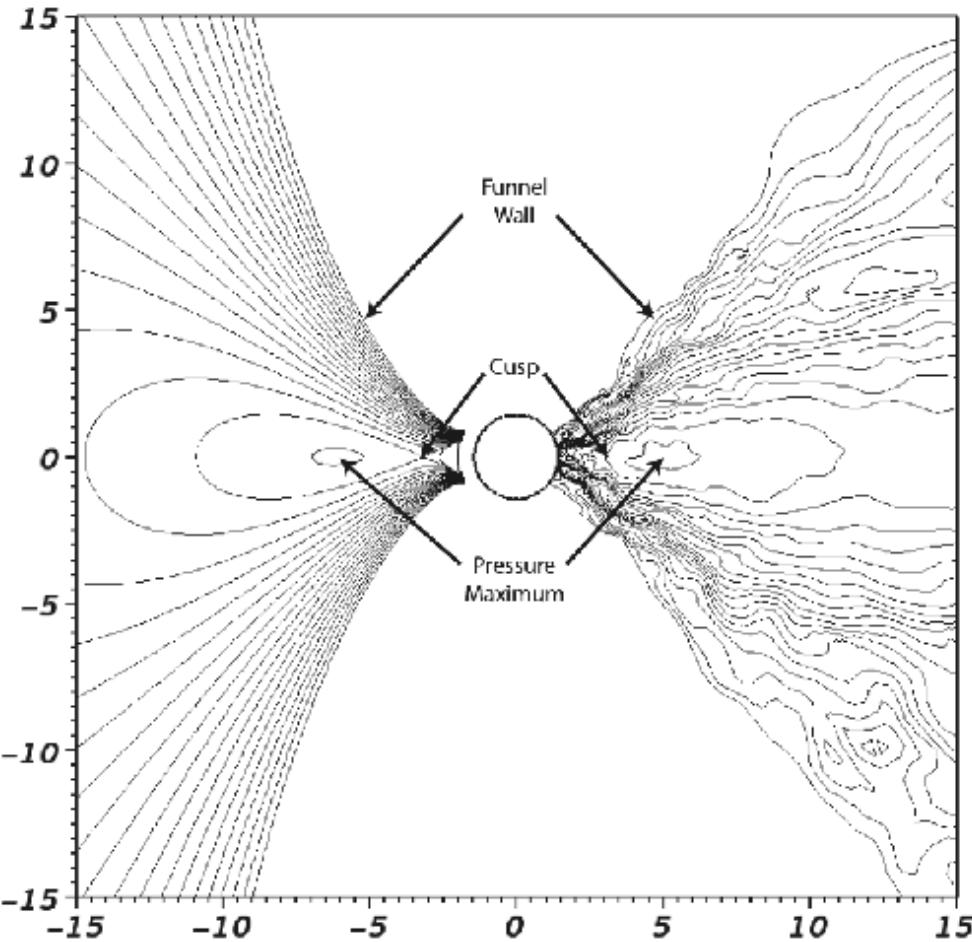
Marek Abramowicz et al. (polish donut)



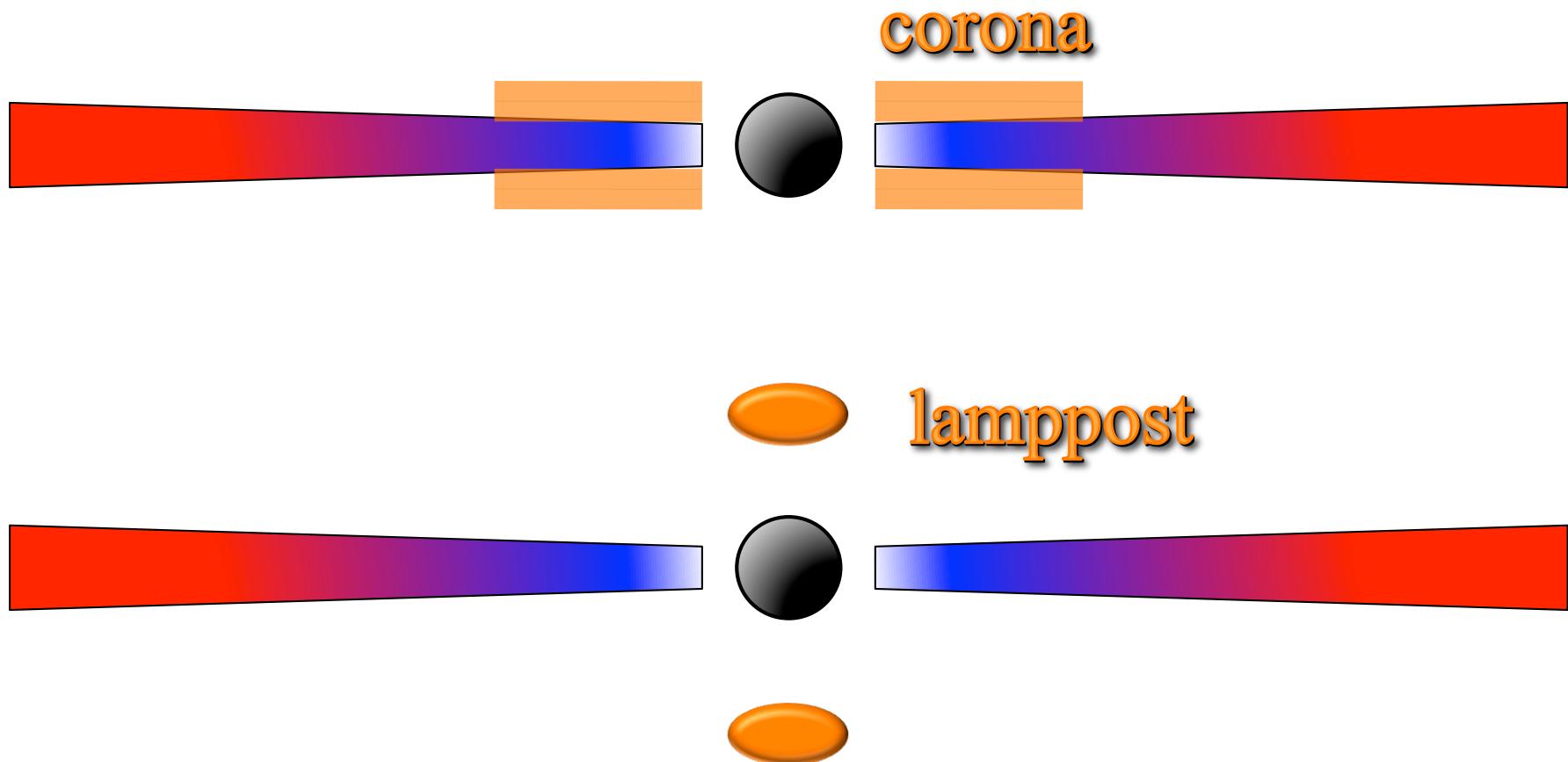
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optically thick

Radiation supported

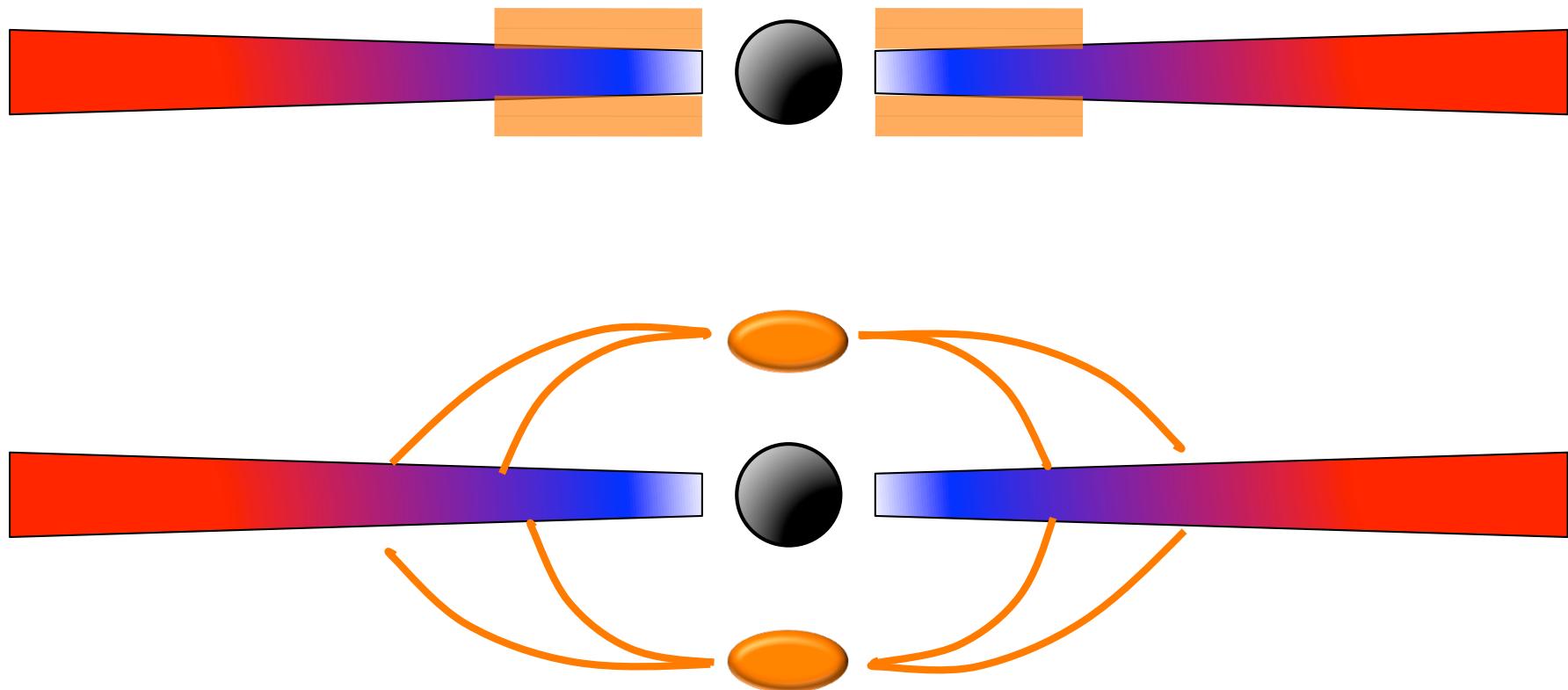
# Funnel collimates: apparent $L \gg L_{\text{Edd}}$ if $\theta_{\text{view}} < \theta_{\text{funnel}}$



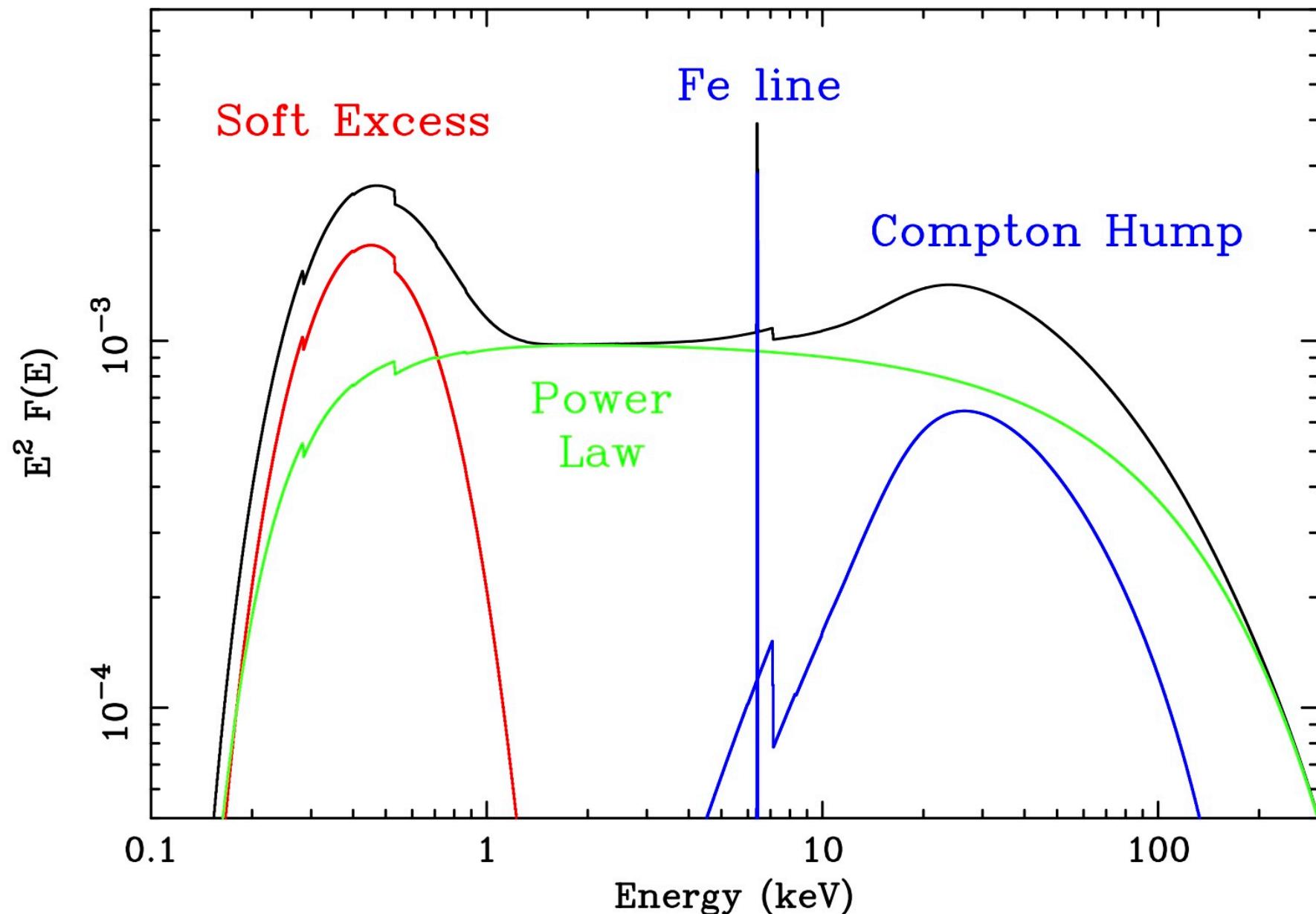
# Accretion disk + X-ray corona



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Light bending (the closer the stronger)



- Efficiency
- background radiation
- Importance of  $R_{\text{ISCO}}$
- Accretion modes

Shakura-Sunyaev

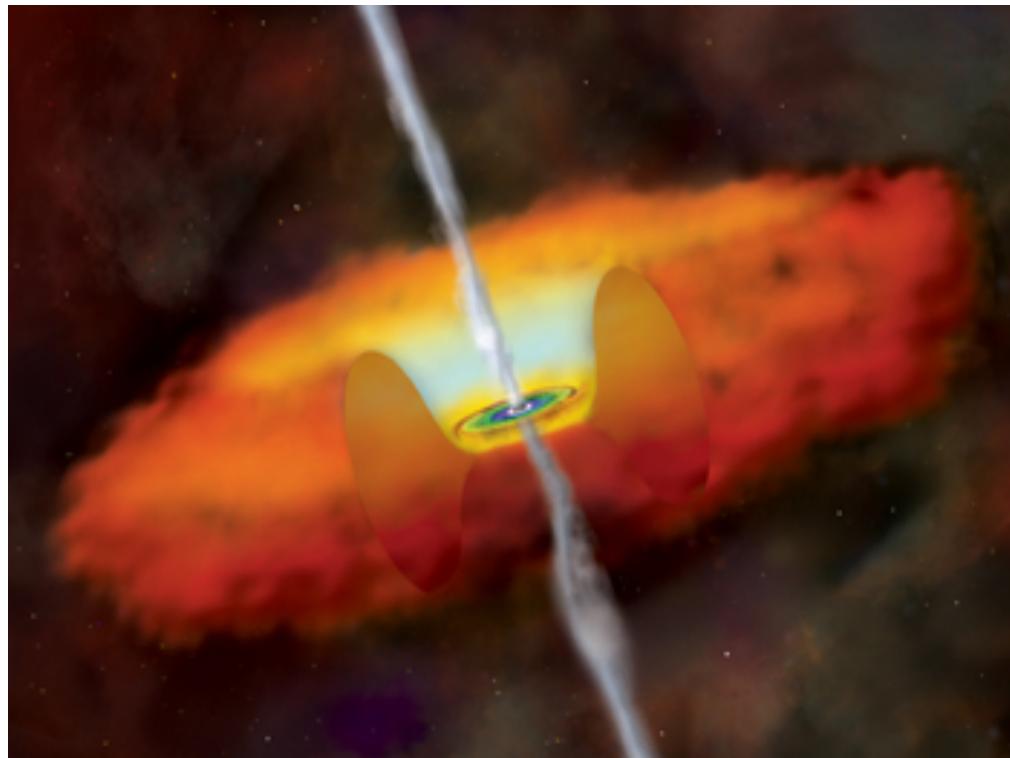
ADAF

- X-ray corona

# Special relativity at work

## Beaming

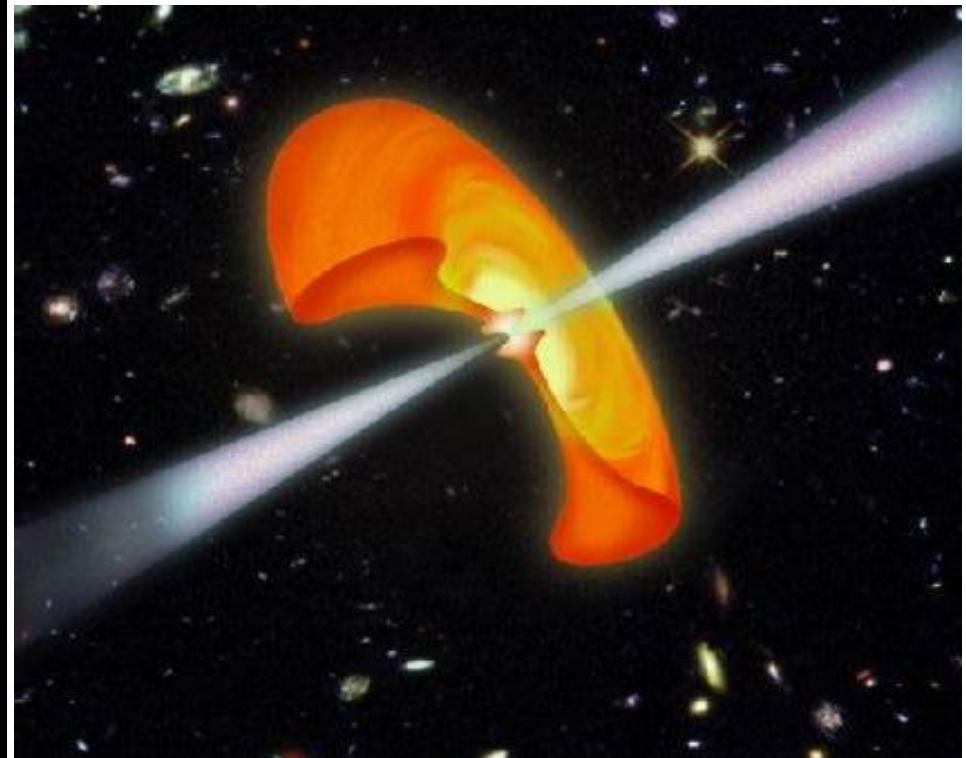
## Radio-loud AGNs



$\sim 0.1 M_\odot \text{ yr}^{-1}$

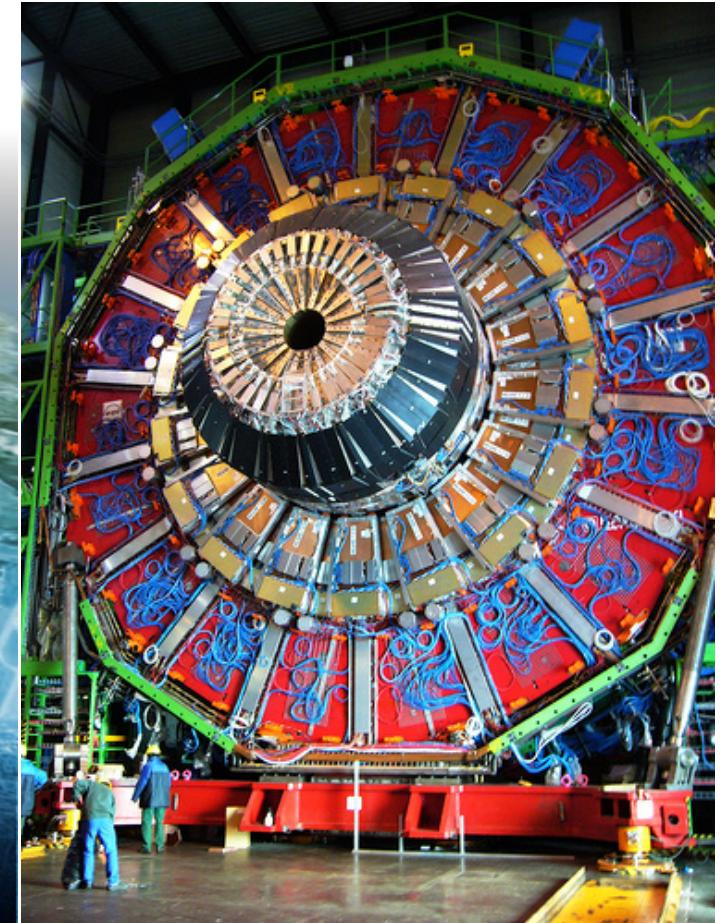
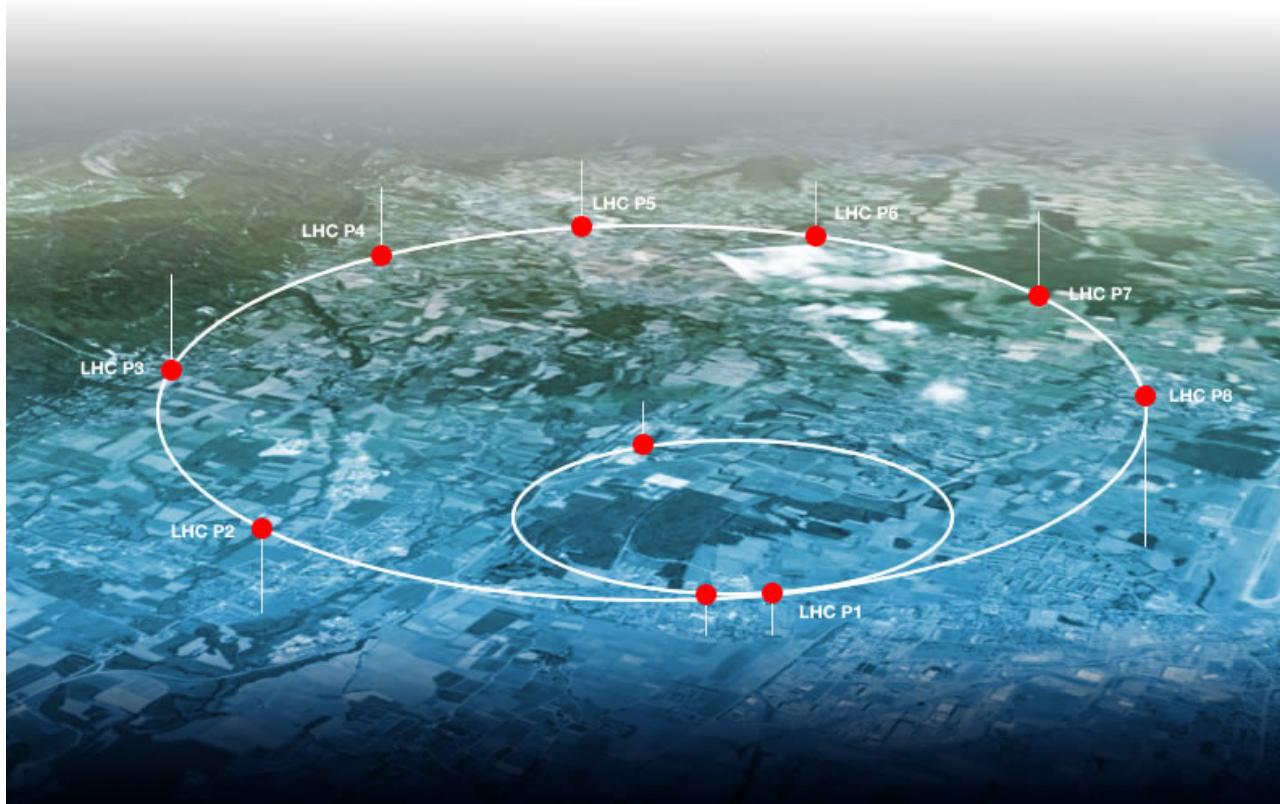
$\Gamma \sim 20$

## Gamma Ray Bursts



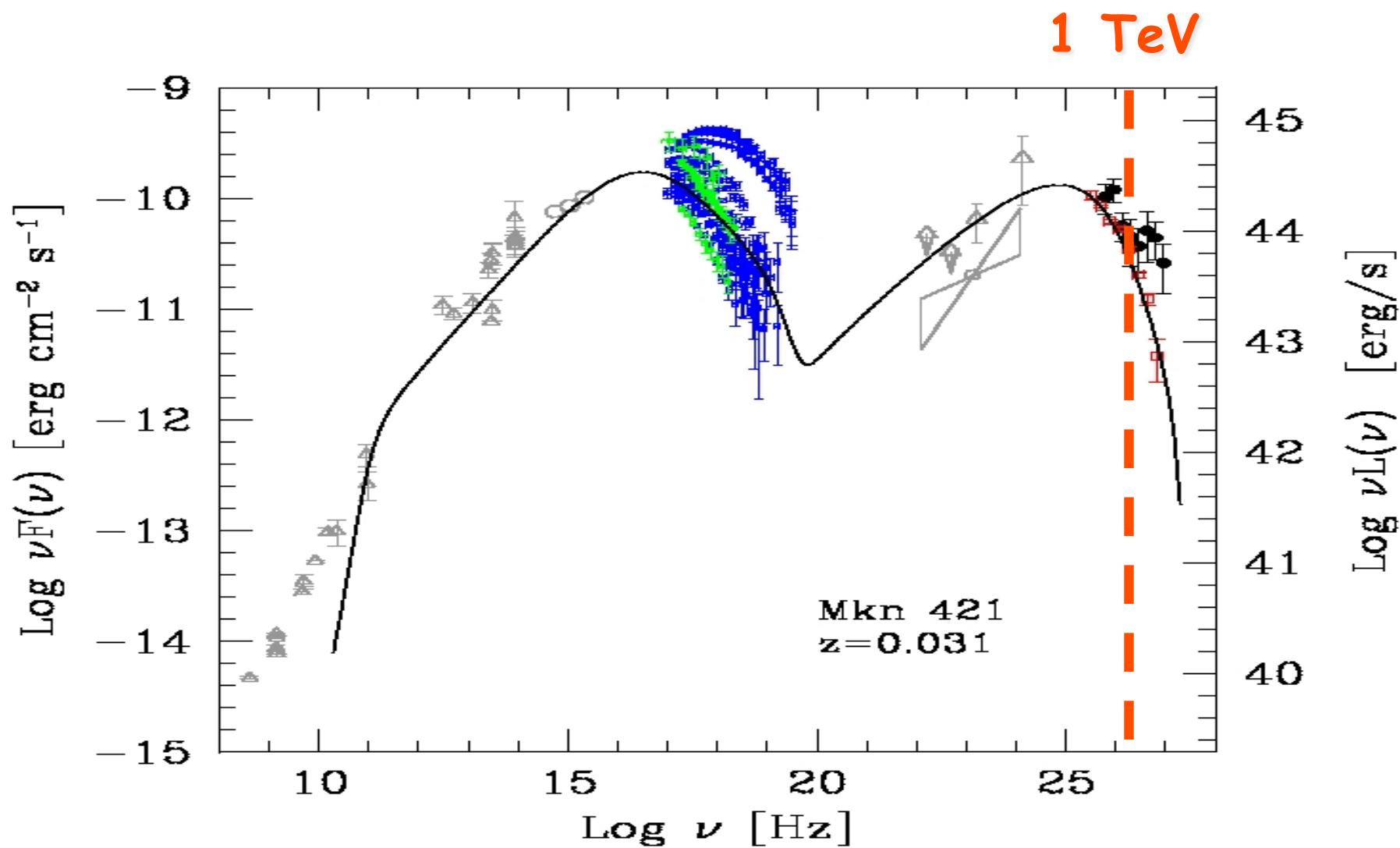
$\sim 10^{-5} M_\odot$   
in a few sec  
 $\Gamma \sim 300$

# CERN



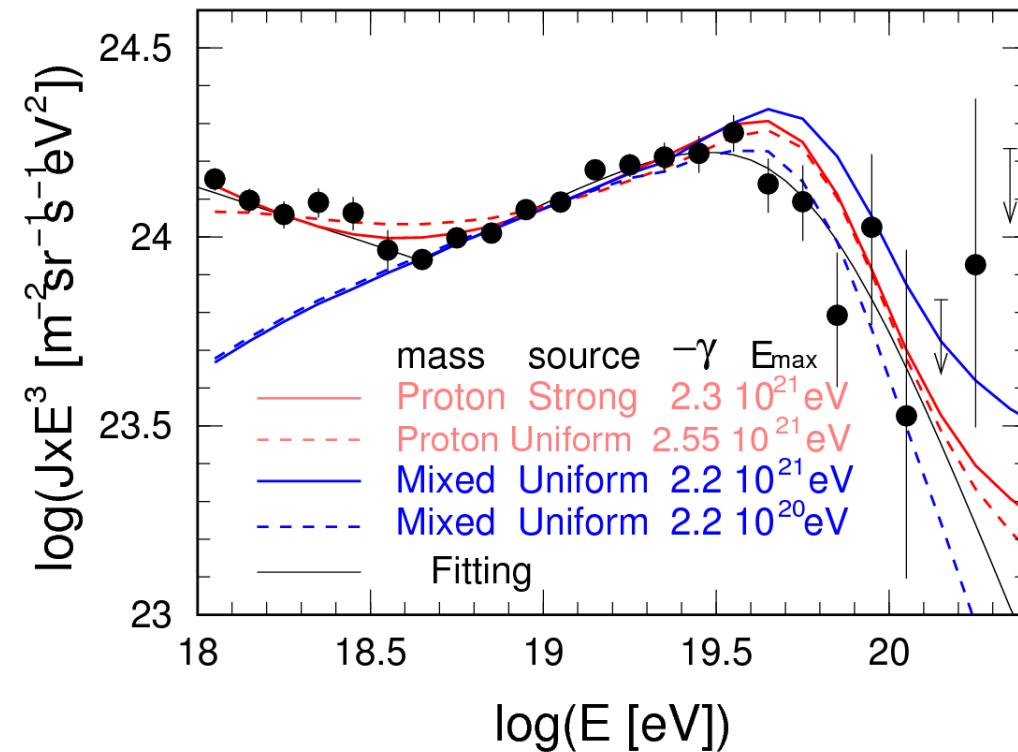
**LHC  $\rightarrow$   $\sim 7$  TeV protons  $\rightarrow \gamma = 7000$**

# TeV blazars

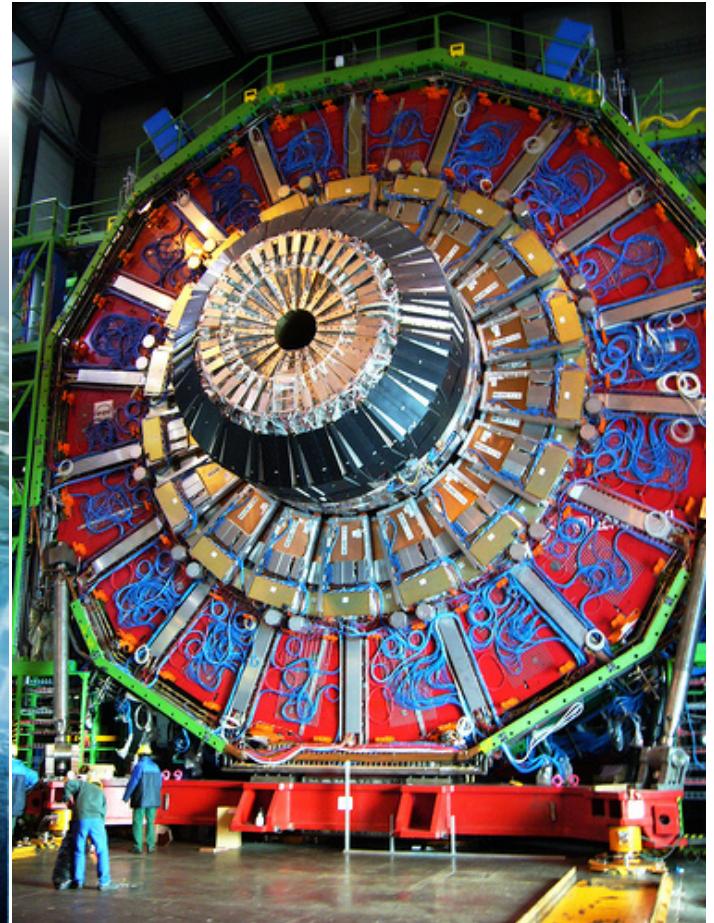
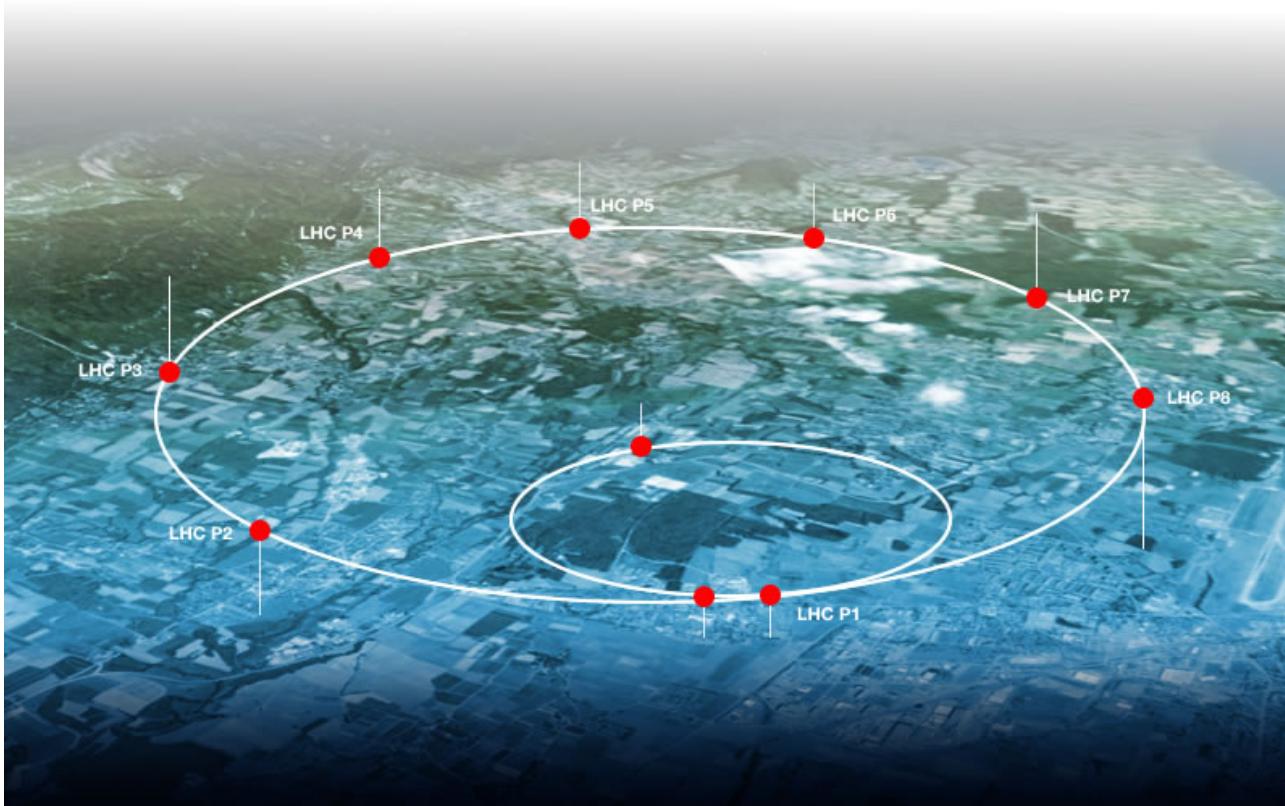




# Cosmic rays



$10^{20} \text{ eV} = 10^8 \text{ TeV} = 10^{11} m_p c^2 =$   
tennis ball at 100 km/h



A few milligrams per decade?

# Text book special relativity

Lorentz transformations:  $\vec{v}$  along  $x$

$$x' = \Gamma (x - vt)$$

$$y' = y$$

$$z' = z$$

$$t' = \Gamma (t - v x/c^2)$$

$$x = \Gamma (x' + vt')$$

$$y = y'$$

$$z = z'$$

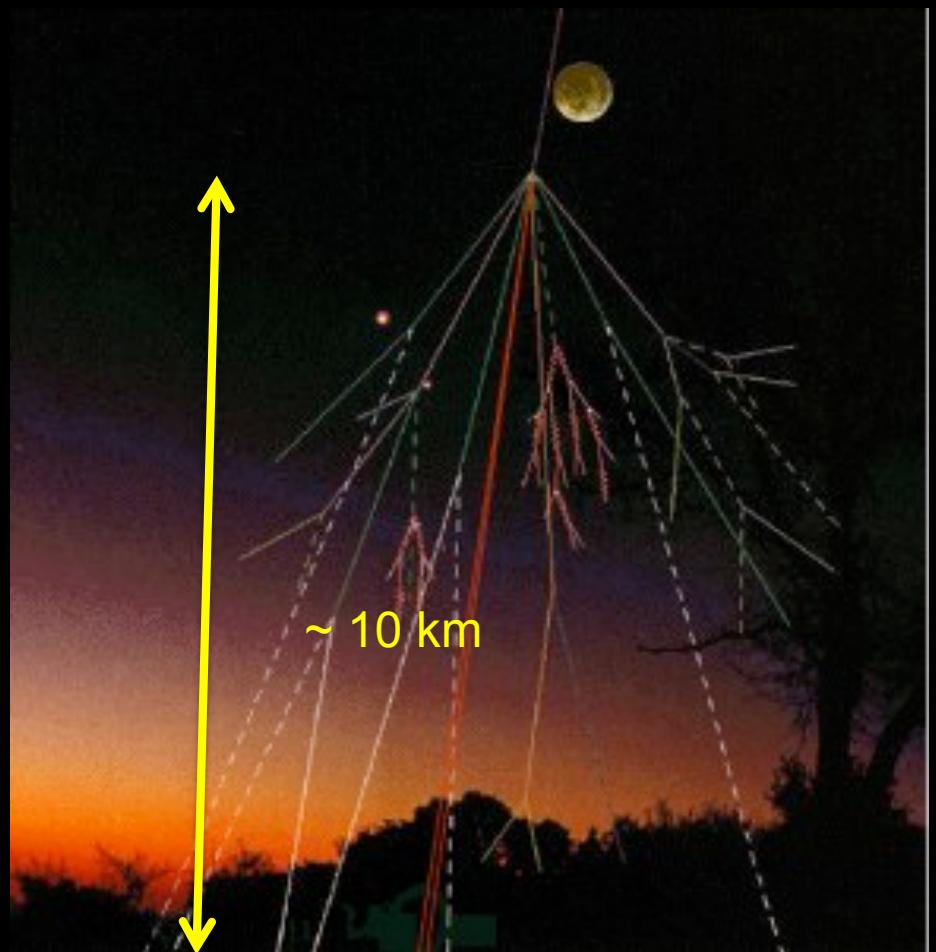
$$t = \Gamma (t' + v x'/c^2)$$

for  $\Delta t = 0 \rightarrow \Delta x = \Delta x' / \Gamma$  **Contraction**

for  $\Delta x' = 0 \rightarrow \Delta t = \Gamma \Delta t'$  **time dilation**

To remember: mesons created at a height of  $\sim 10$  km can reach the earth, even if their lifetime is a few microsec  $\rightarrow ct'_{\text{life}} = \text{hundreds of meters}$ .

# Long-lived mesons ...



Meson lifetime:  
2.2 microseconds

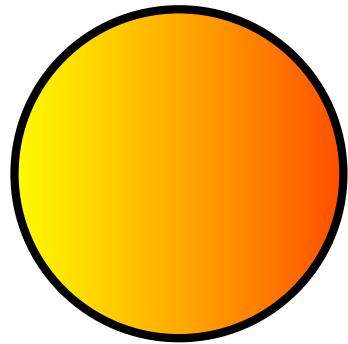
$$c \times 2.2 \mu\text{s} = 660 \text{ meters}$$

How can it run for 10 km?

$$10 \text{ km} / 0.66 \text{ km} = 15$$

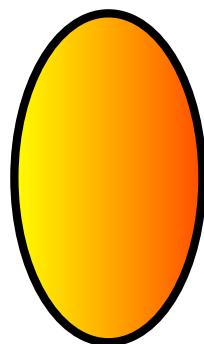
$$t_{\text{obs}} > 15 t'_{\text{decay}}$$

# Can we see contracted spheres?

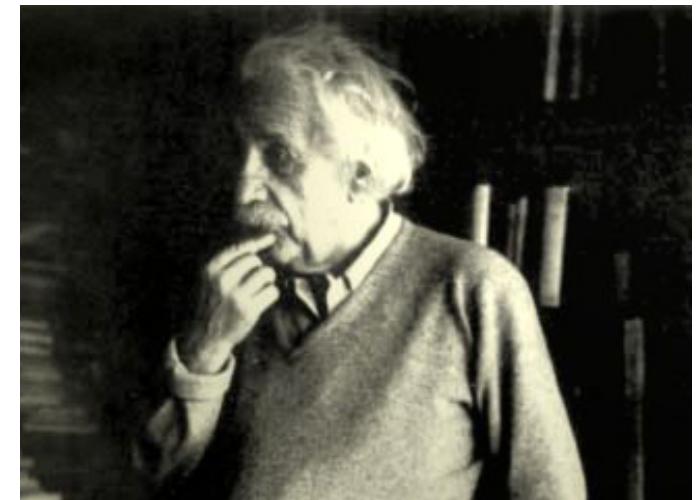


$$v=0$$
$$\Gamma=1$$

$$\frac{v}{\longrightarrow}$$



$$v=0.866c$$
$$\Gamma=2$$



Einstein: Yes!

## Invisibility of the Lorentz Contraction

JAMES TERRELL

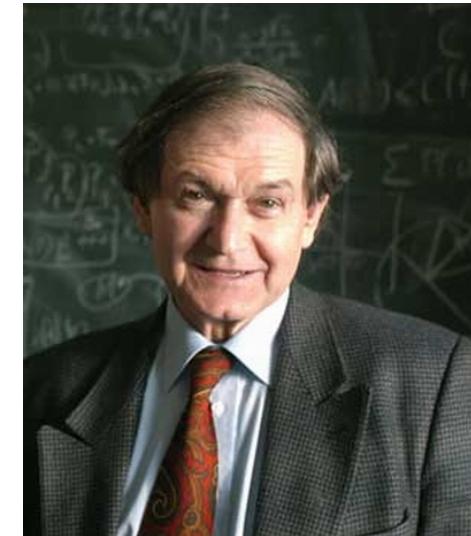
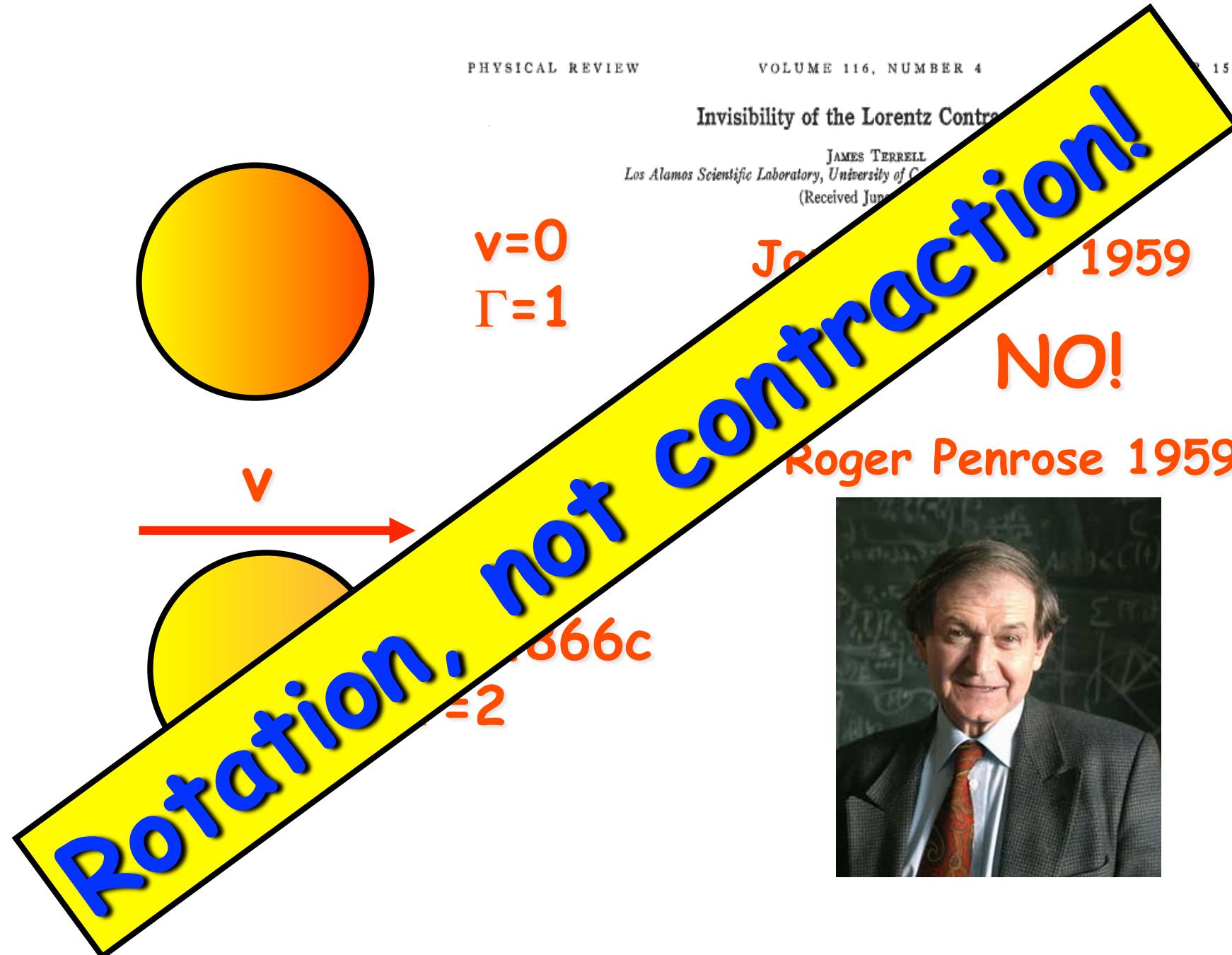
*Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory, University of California*

(Received June 1, 1959)

July

NO!

Roger Penrose 1959



# Relativity with photons

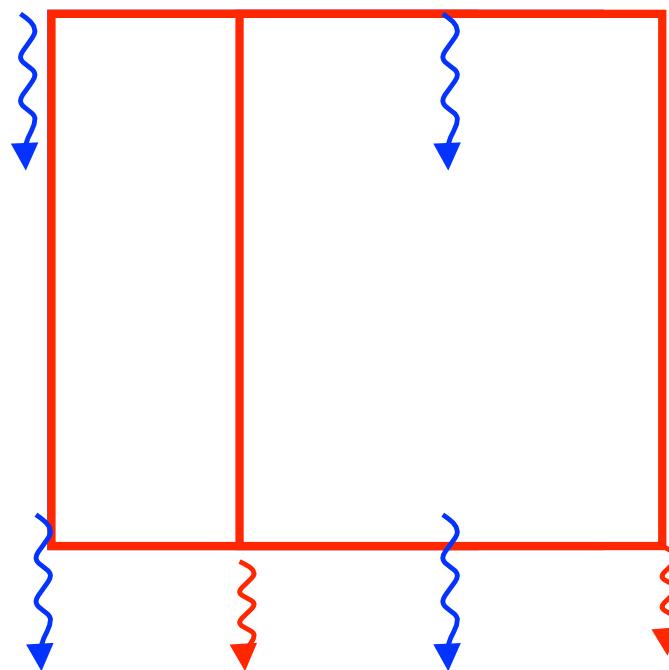
From rulers and clocks  
to photographs and frequencies

Or:

from elementary particles to extended objects

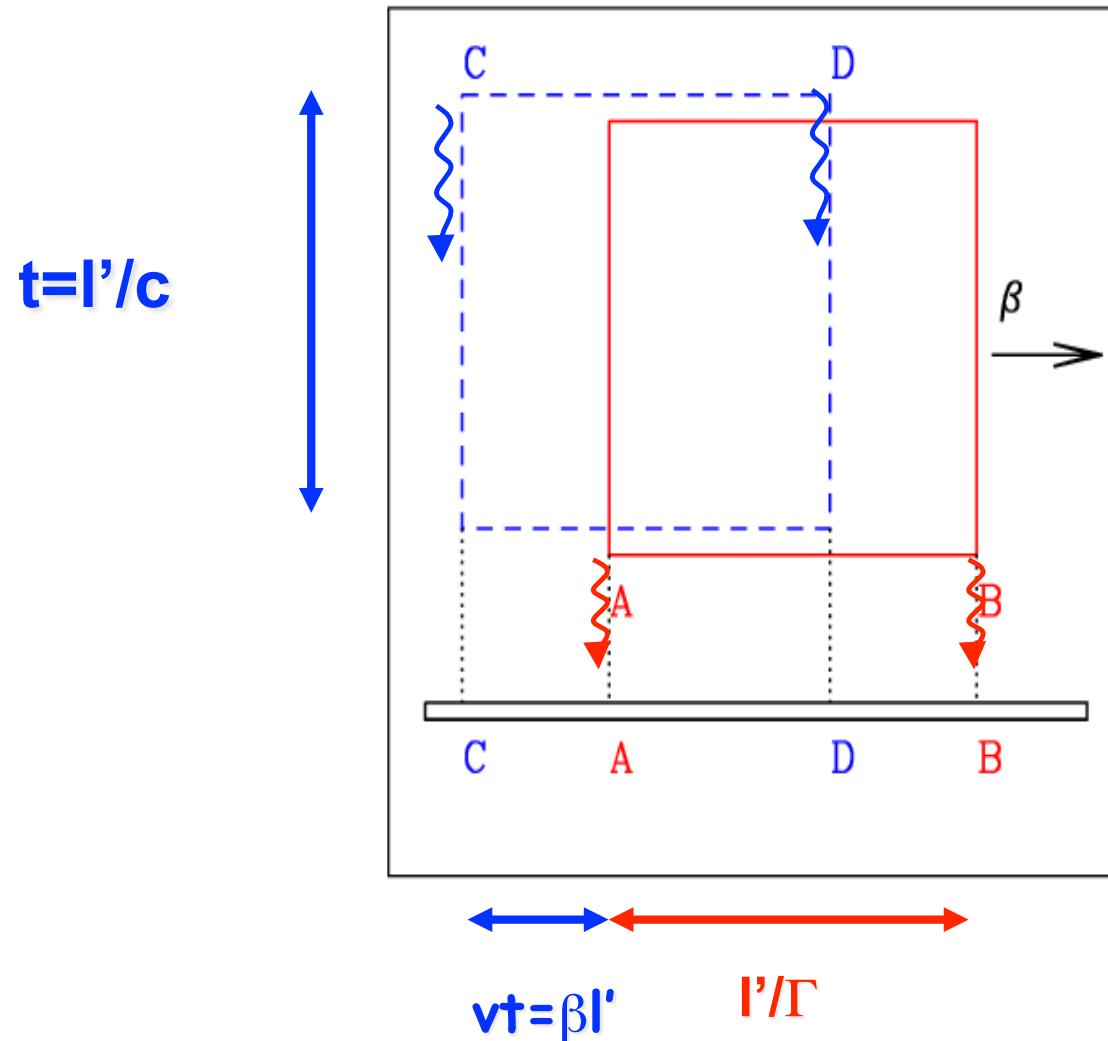
# The moving square

$$\beta=0.5$$



Your camera,  
very far away

# The moving square



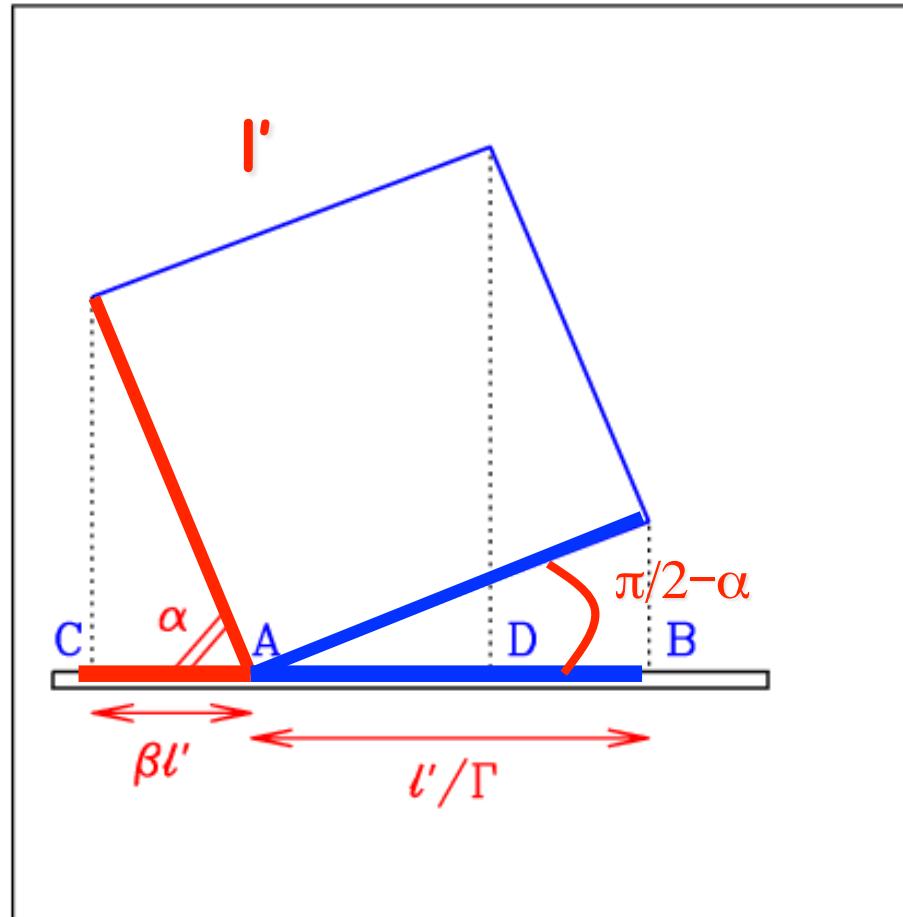
$$I_{\text{tot}} = I' (\beta + 1/\Gamma)$$

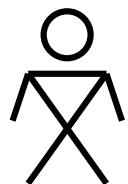
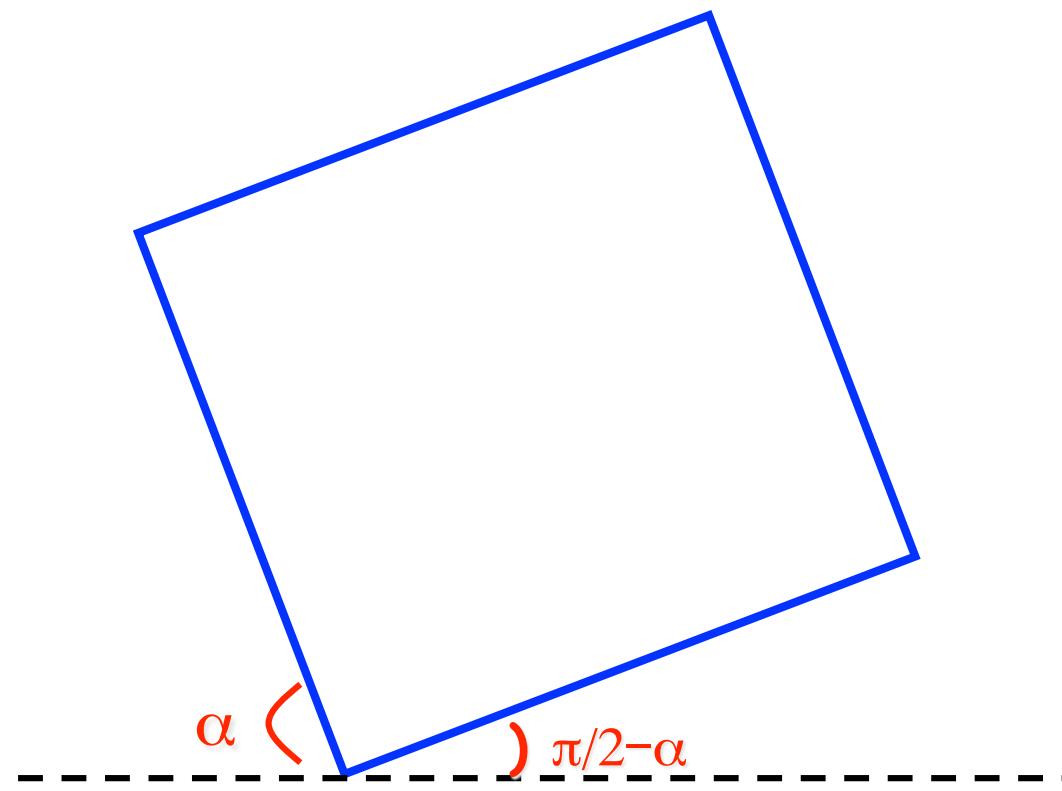
max:  $2^{1/2} I'$  (diag)

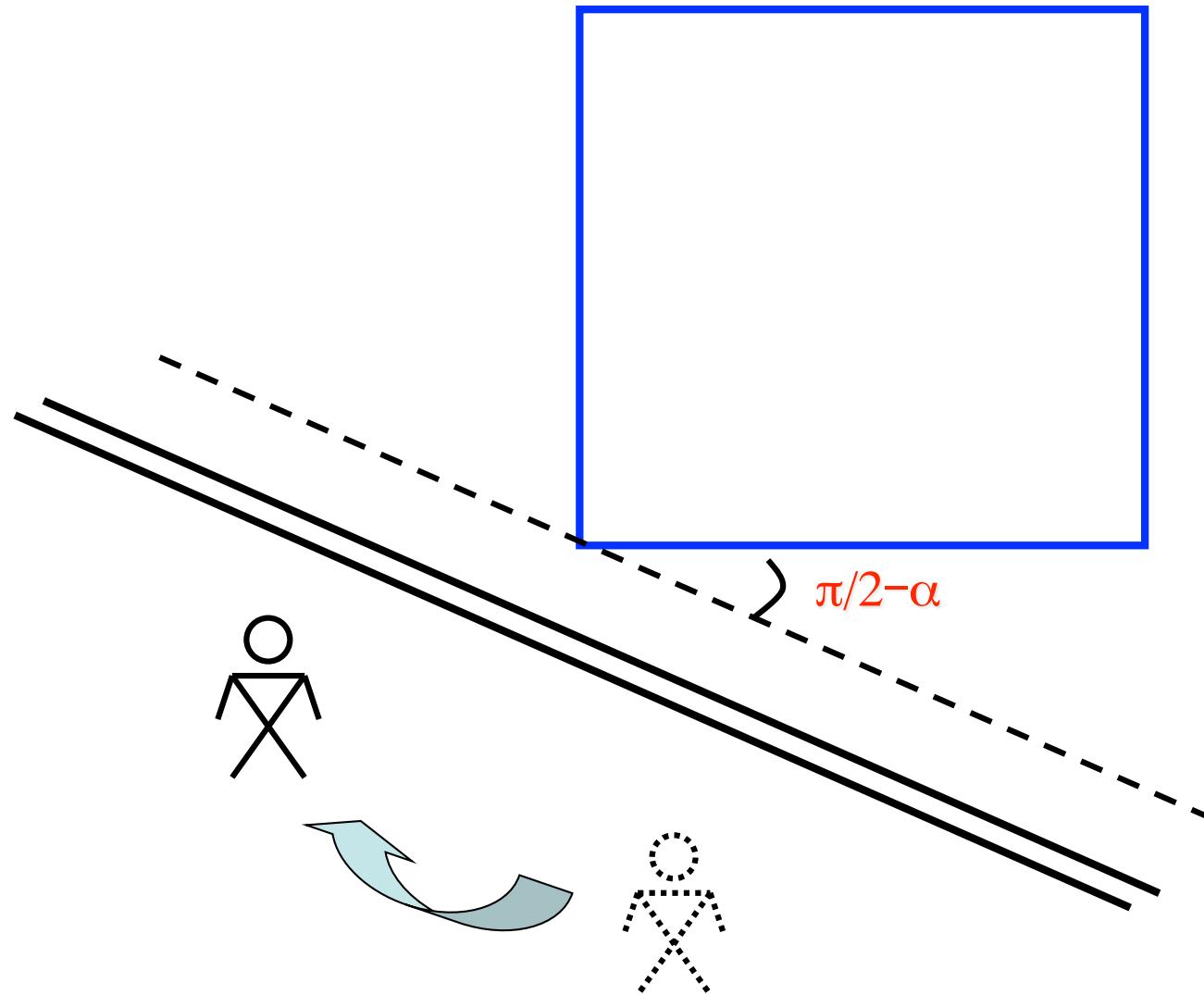
min:  $I'$  (for  $\beta=0$ )

$$l' \cos \alpha = \beta l' \rightarrow \cos \alpha = \beta$$

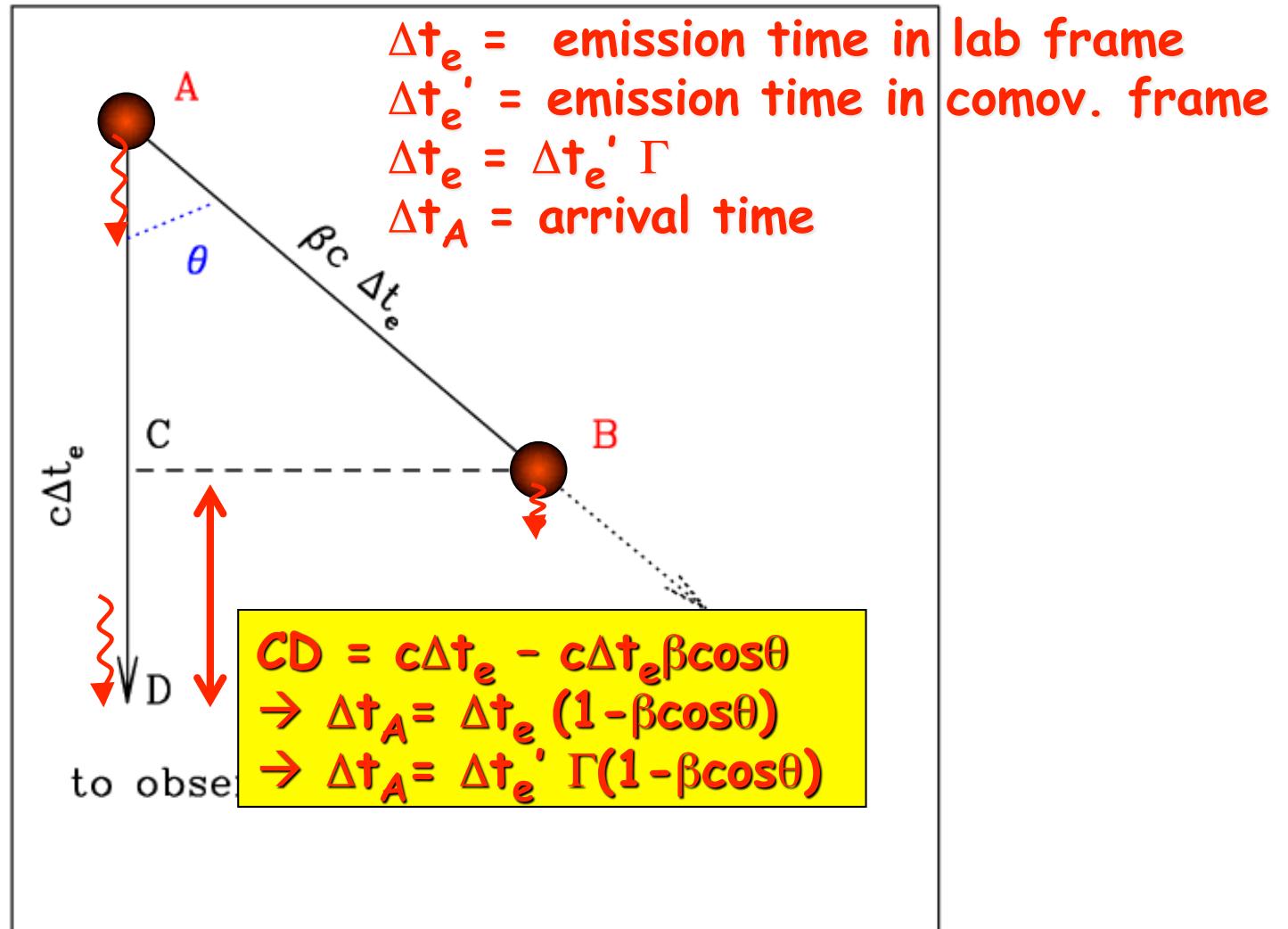
$$\cos(\pi - \pi/2 - \alpha) = \sin \alpha = 1/\Gamma$$







# Time



# Relativistic Doppler factor $\delta$

$$\Delta t_A = \Delta t_e' \Gamma(1 - \beta \cos\theta)$$

$$v = v' / \Gamma(1 - \beta \cos\theta)$$

$$\delta = \frac{1}{\Gamma(1 - \beta \cos\theta)}$$

You change  
frame

Standard  
relativity

Doppler effect

You remain  
in lab frame

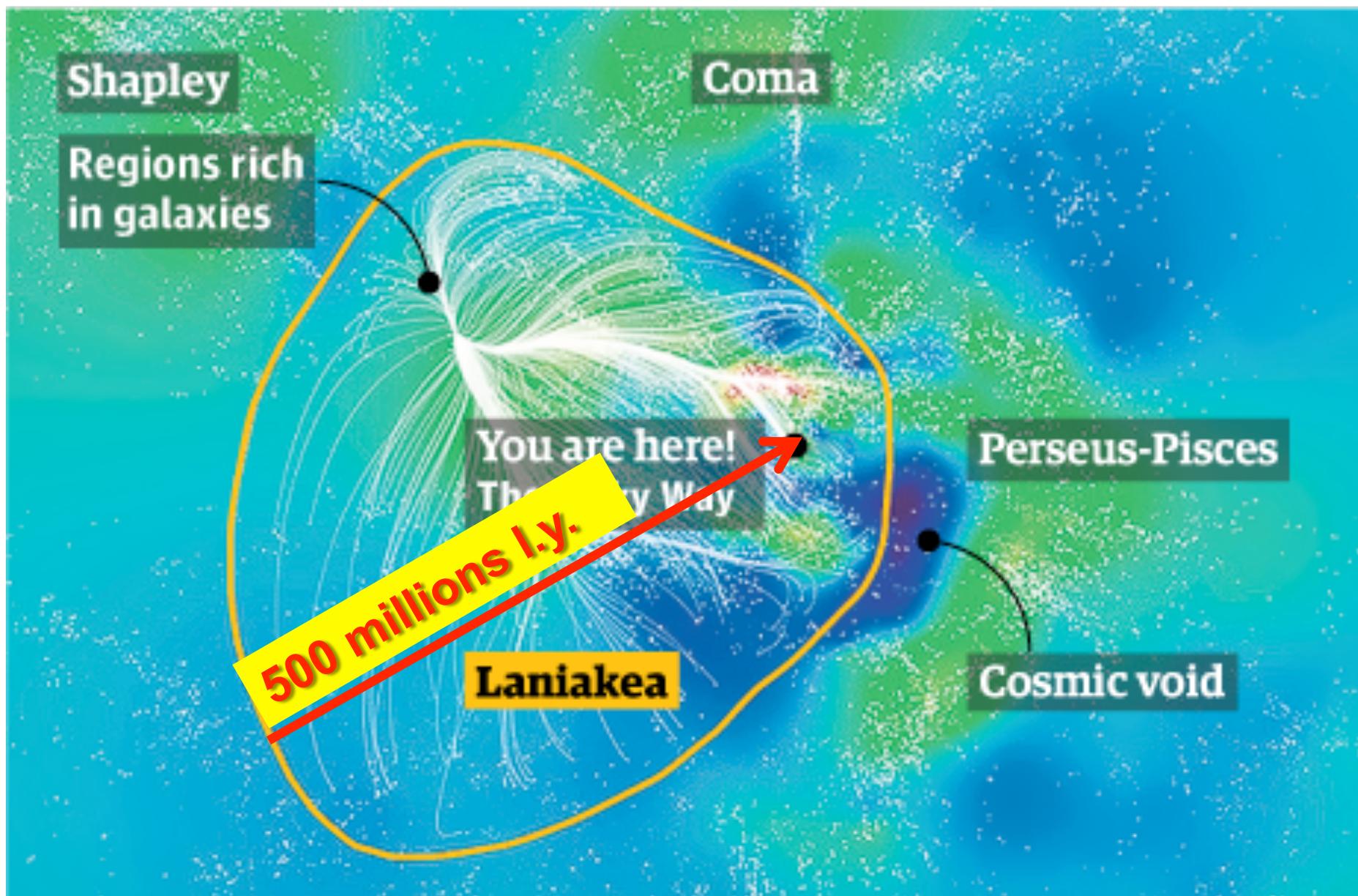
# Relativistic Doppler factor $\delta$

$$\delta = \frac{1}{\Gamma(1 - \beta \cos\theta)} = \begin{cases} 2\Gamma \text{ for } \theta=0^\circ \\ \Gamma \text{ for } \theta=1/\Gamma \\ 1/\Gamma \text{ for } \theta=90^\circ \end{cases}$$

At small angles, Doppler wins over Spec. Relat.

# Our cosmic address

Earth, the Solar System, the Milky Way, Laniakea, the Universe



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Earth, the Solar System, the Milky Way, Laniakea, the Universe

Shapley

Regions rich  
in galaxies

For a proton of  $10^{20}$  eV  $\rightarrow \Gamma = 10^{11}$

Special relativity: onboard the proton,  
500 million years correspond to

$$\Delta t' = \Delta t / \Gamma \sim 1.6 \times 10^5 \text{ s} \sim 44 \text{ h}$$

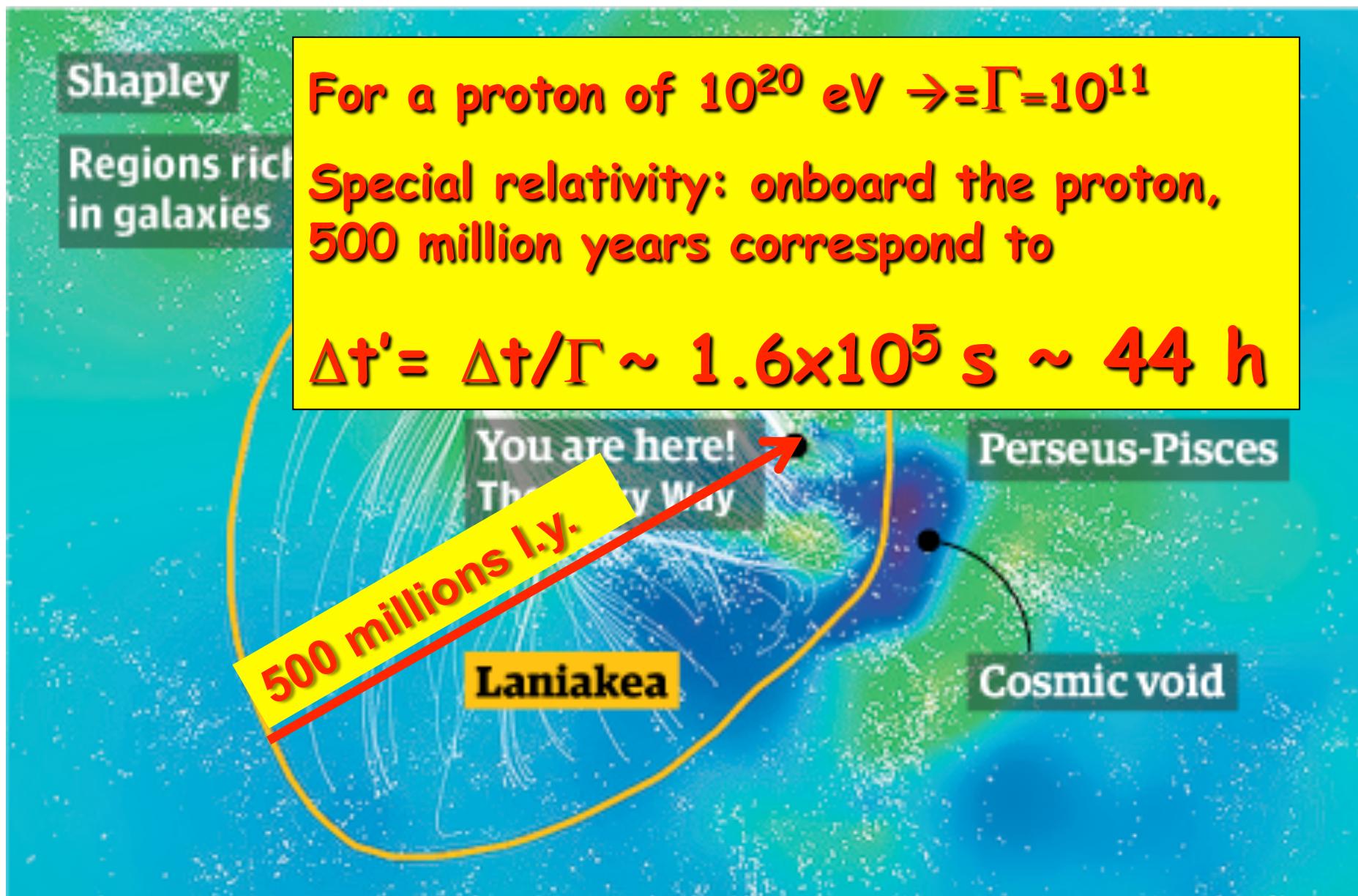
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The Milky Way

Perseus-Pisces

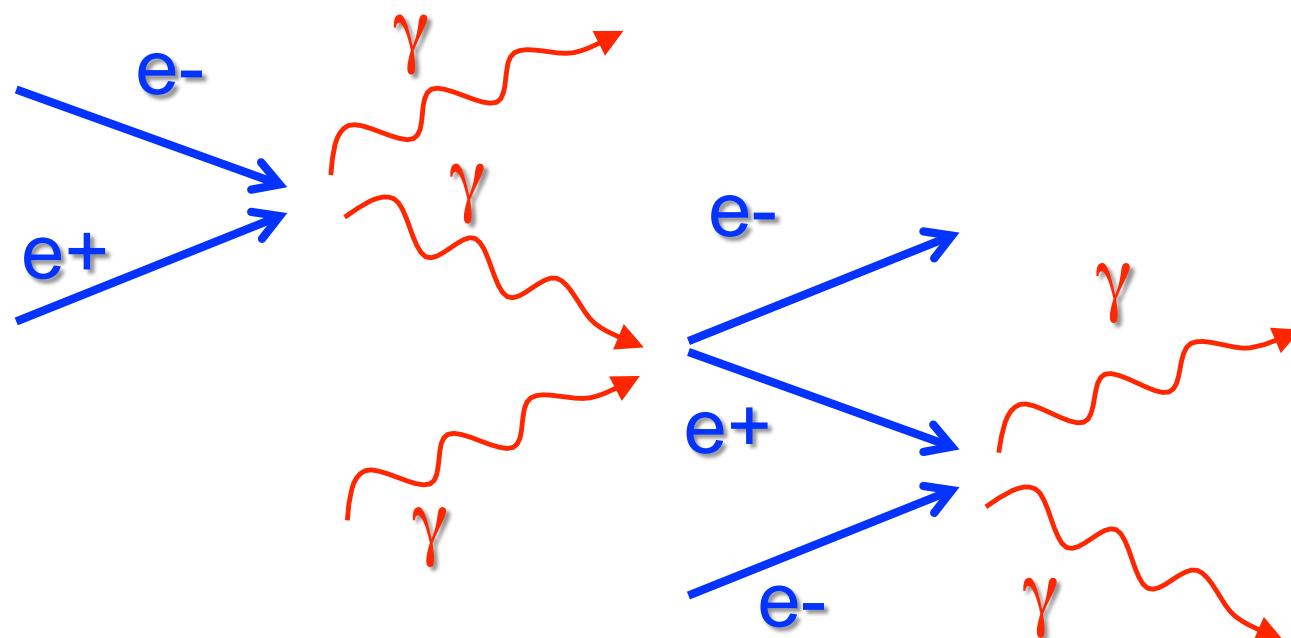
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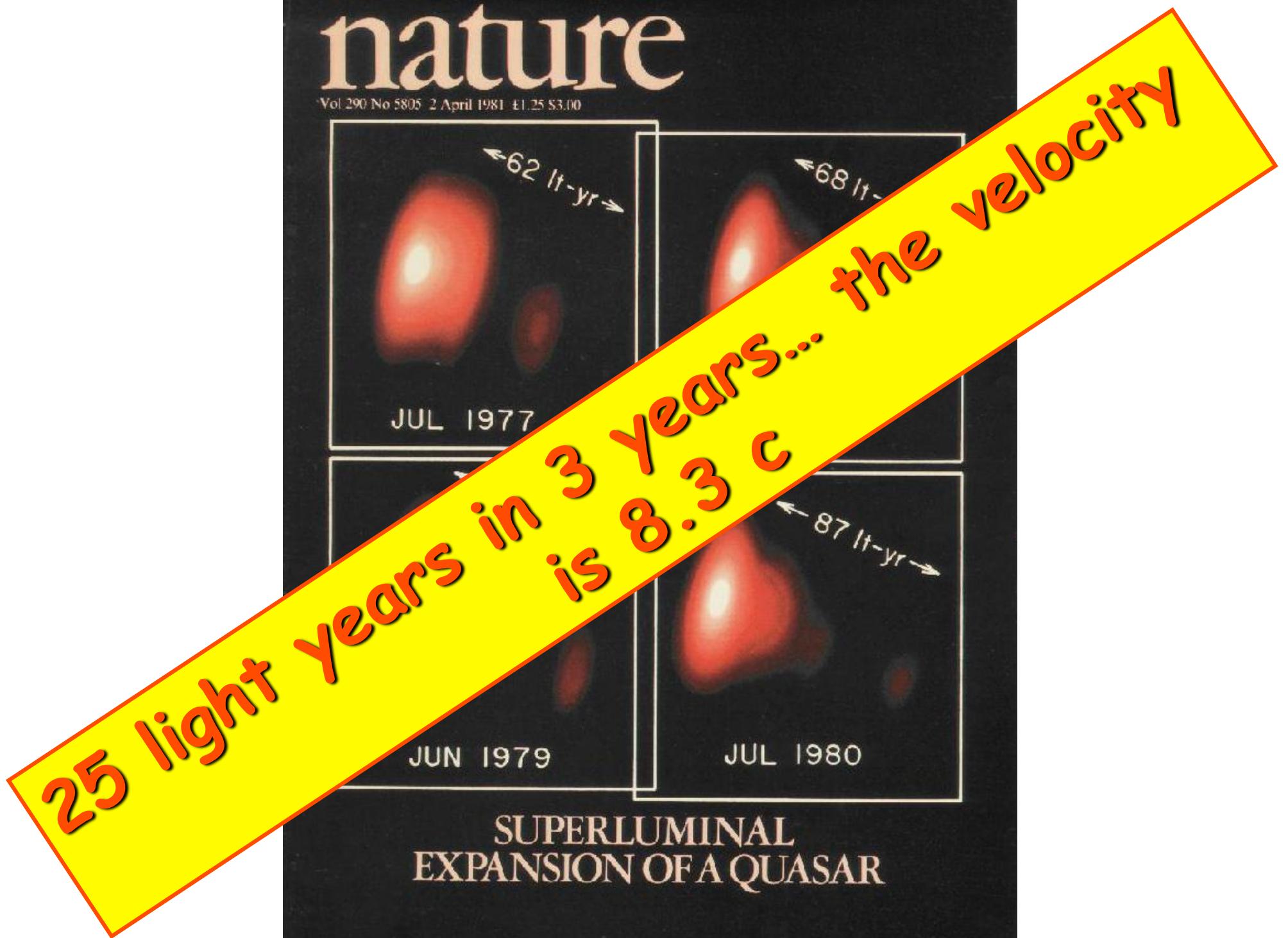
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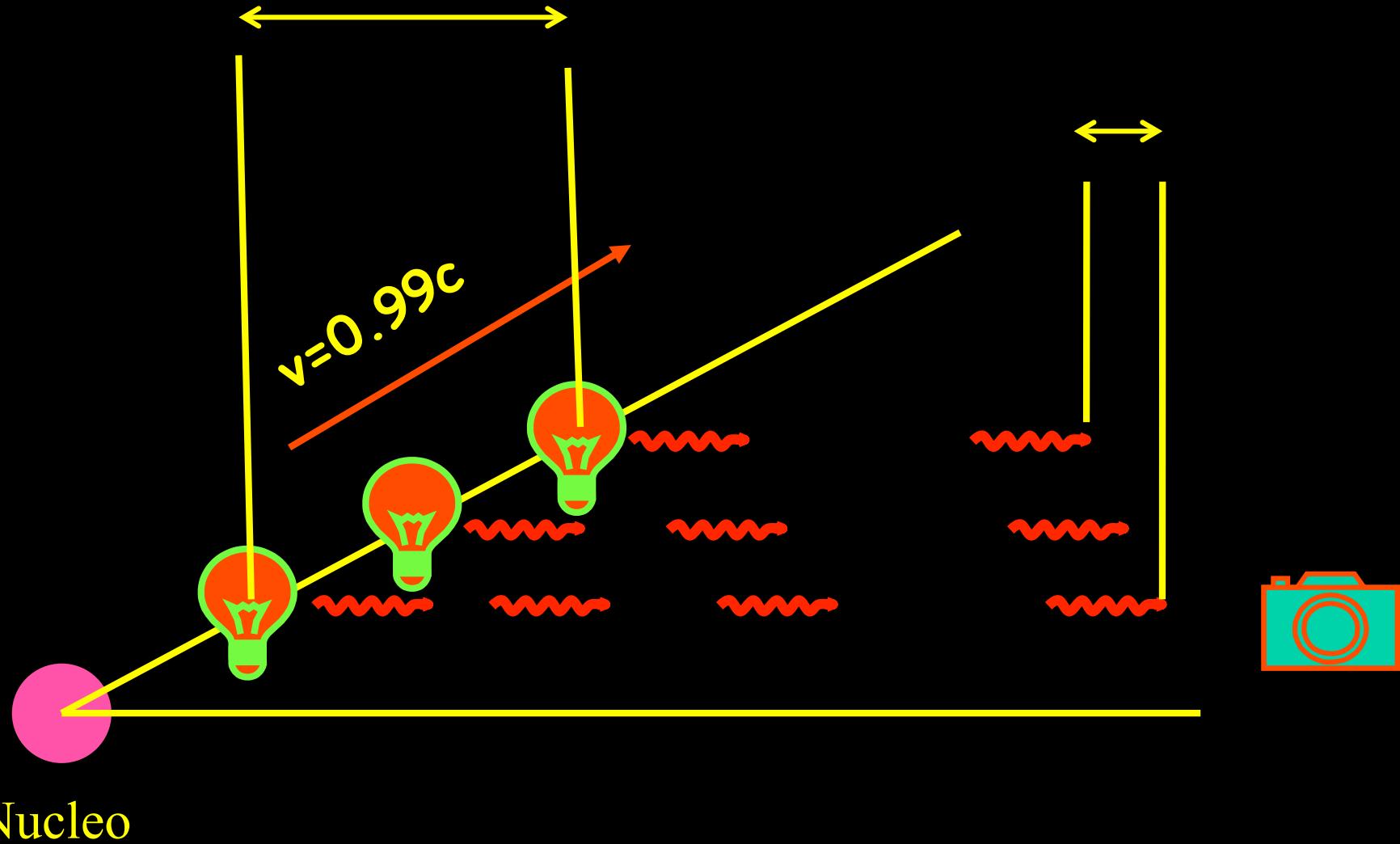
Cosmic void



# Time....









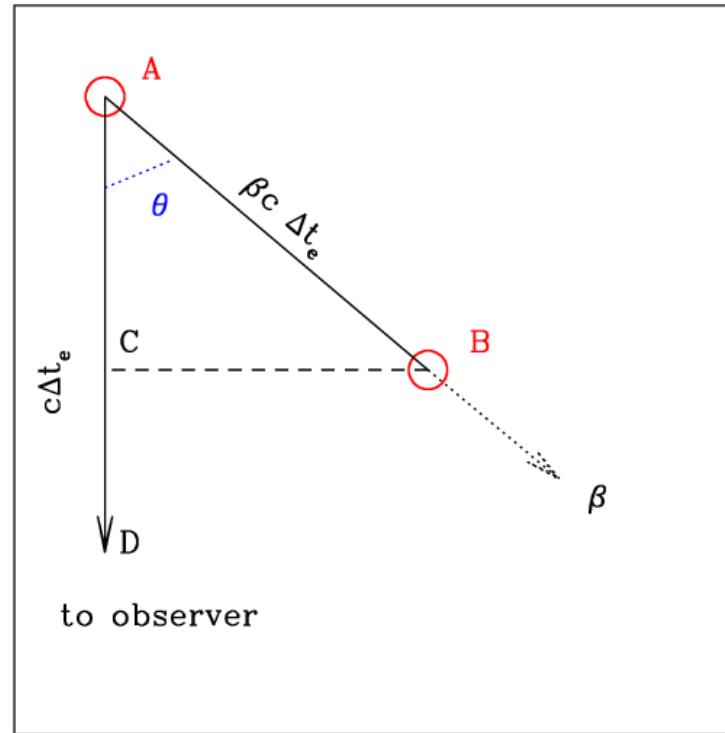
Core

スクリーン(天球面)

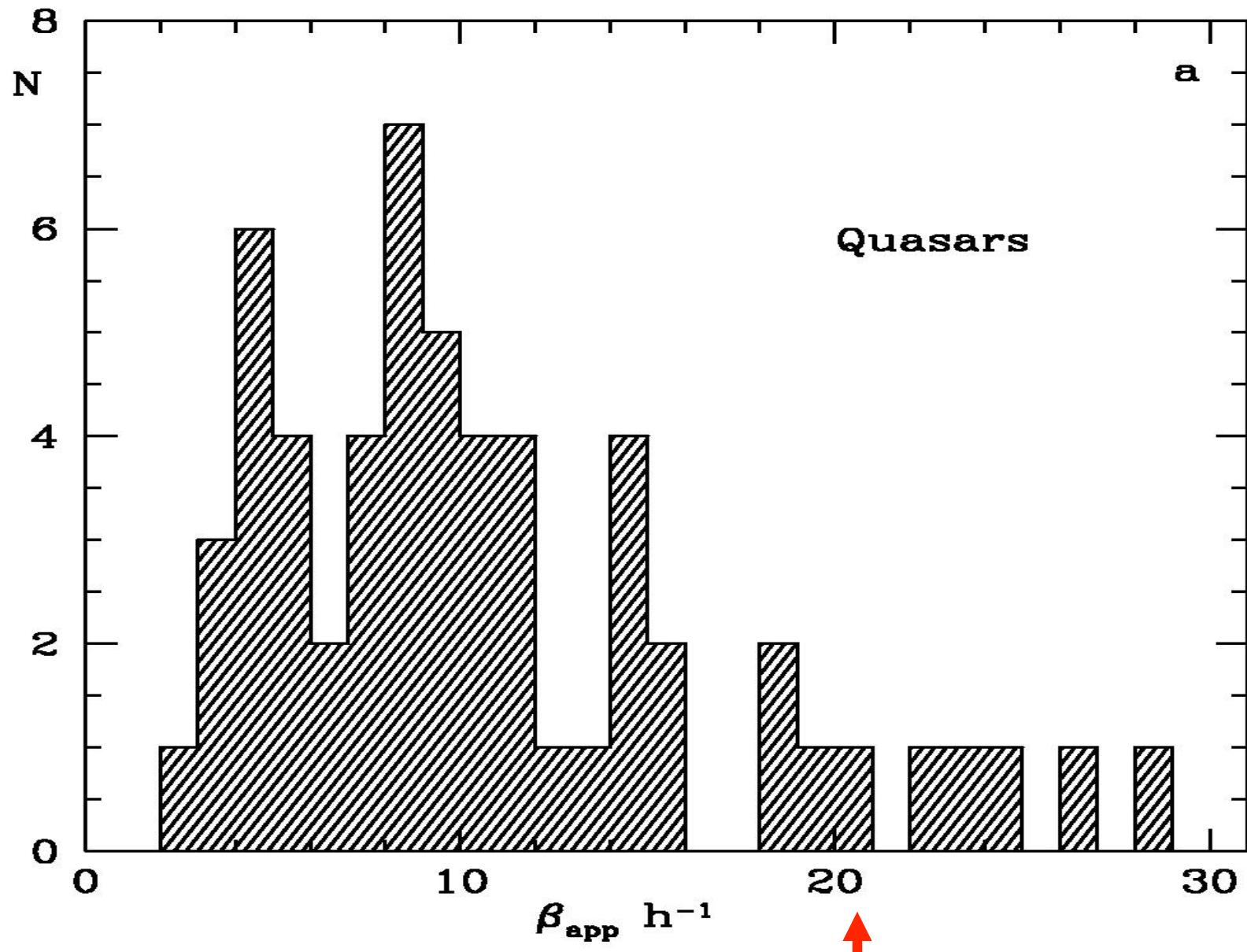
$$\frac{\Delta s_{app}}{\Delta t_A} = v_{app} = \frac{v \Delta t_e \sin\theta}{\Delta t_e (1 - \beta \cos\theta)}$$

There is no  $\Gamma$ . Correct?

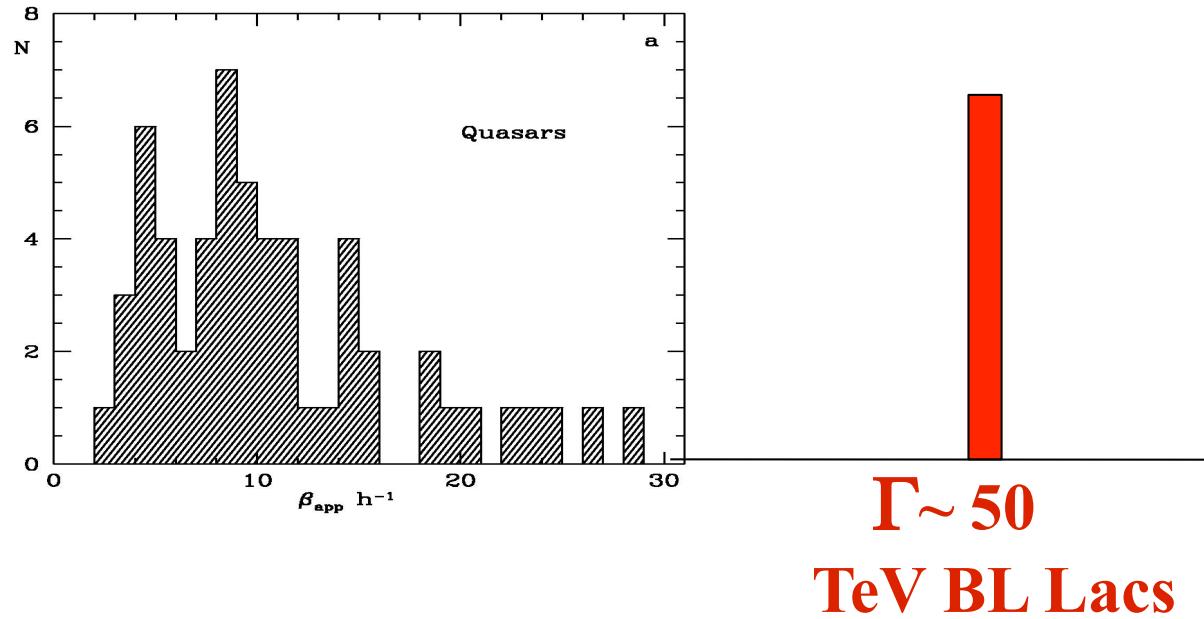
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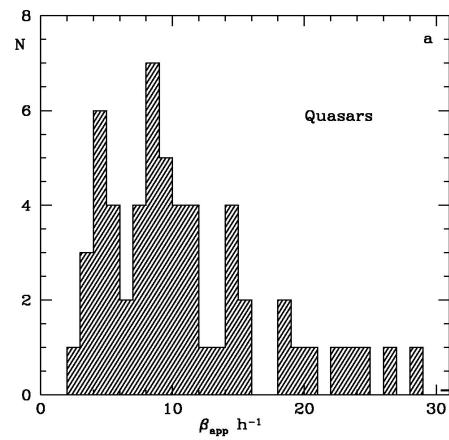


$\Gamma$



$\beta_{app} \sim \Gamma \sim 30$



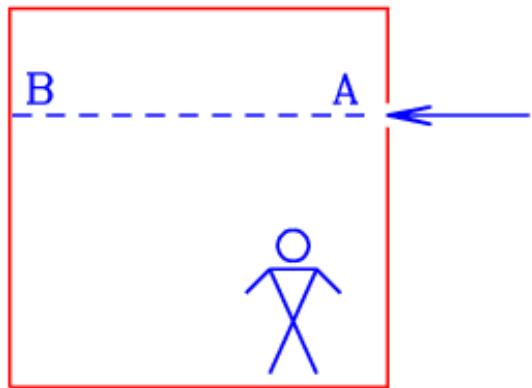


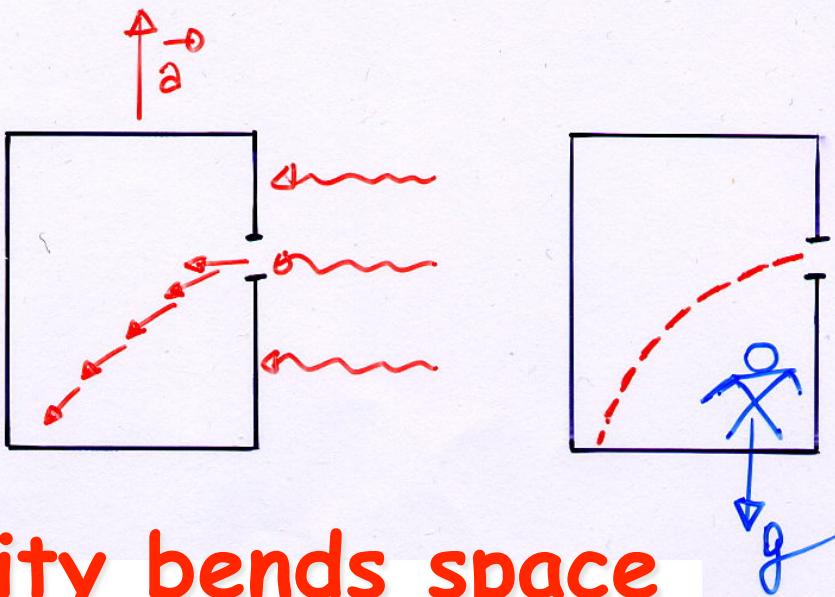
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$\Gamma \sim 50$

$\Gamma \sim 100-1000$   
GRB

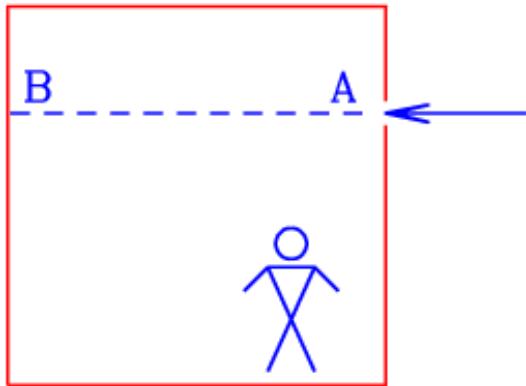
# Aberration of light





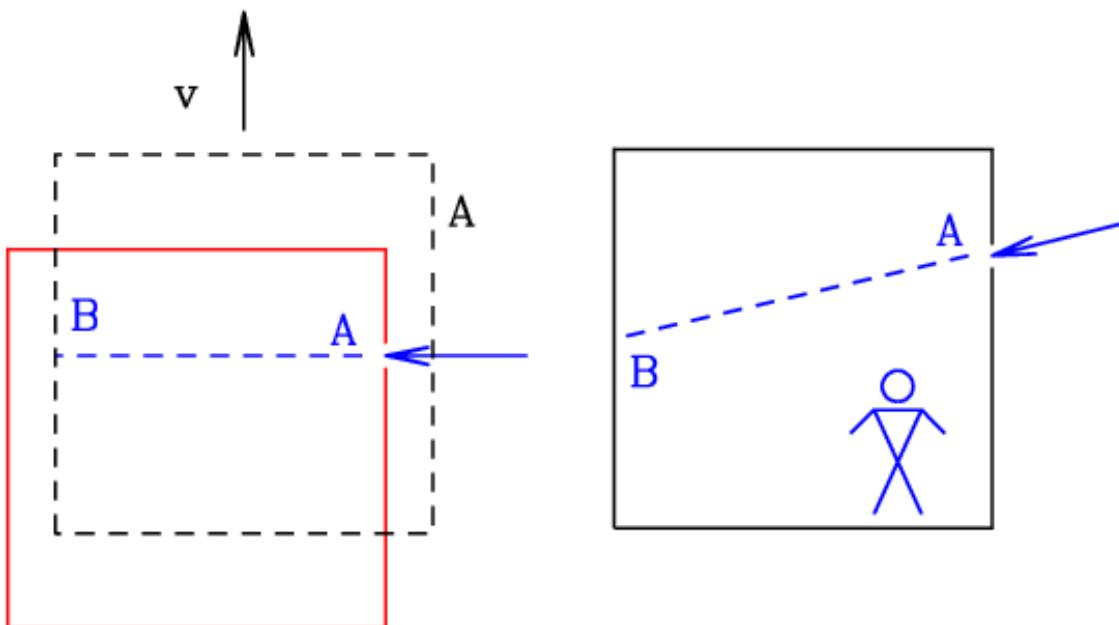
Gravity bends space

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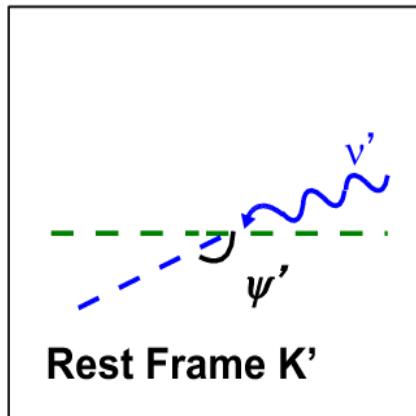
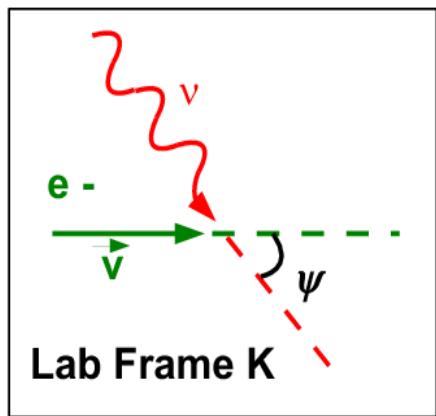


$$\sin\theta = \sin\theta'/\delta$$

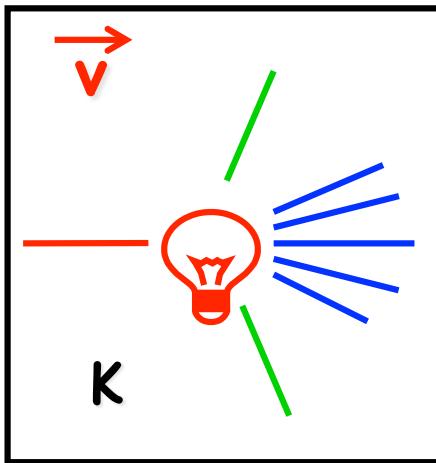
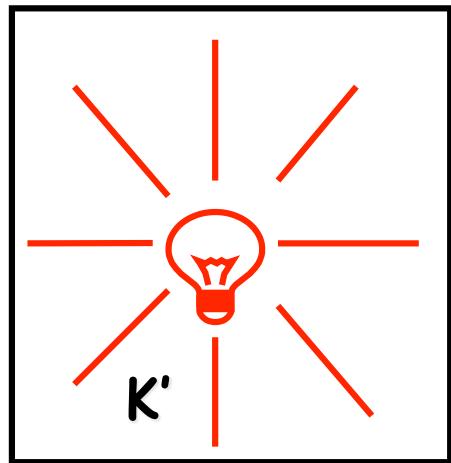
$$d\Omega = d\Omega'/\delta^2$$



# Aberration of light



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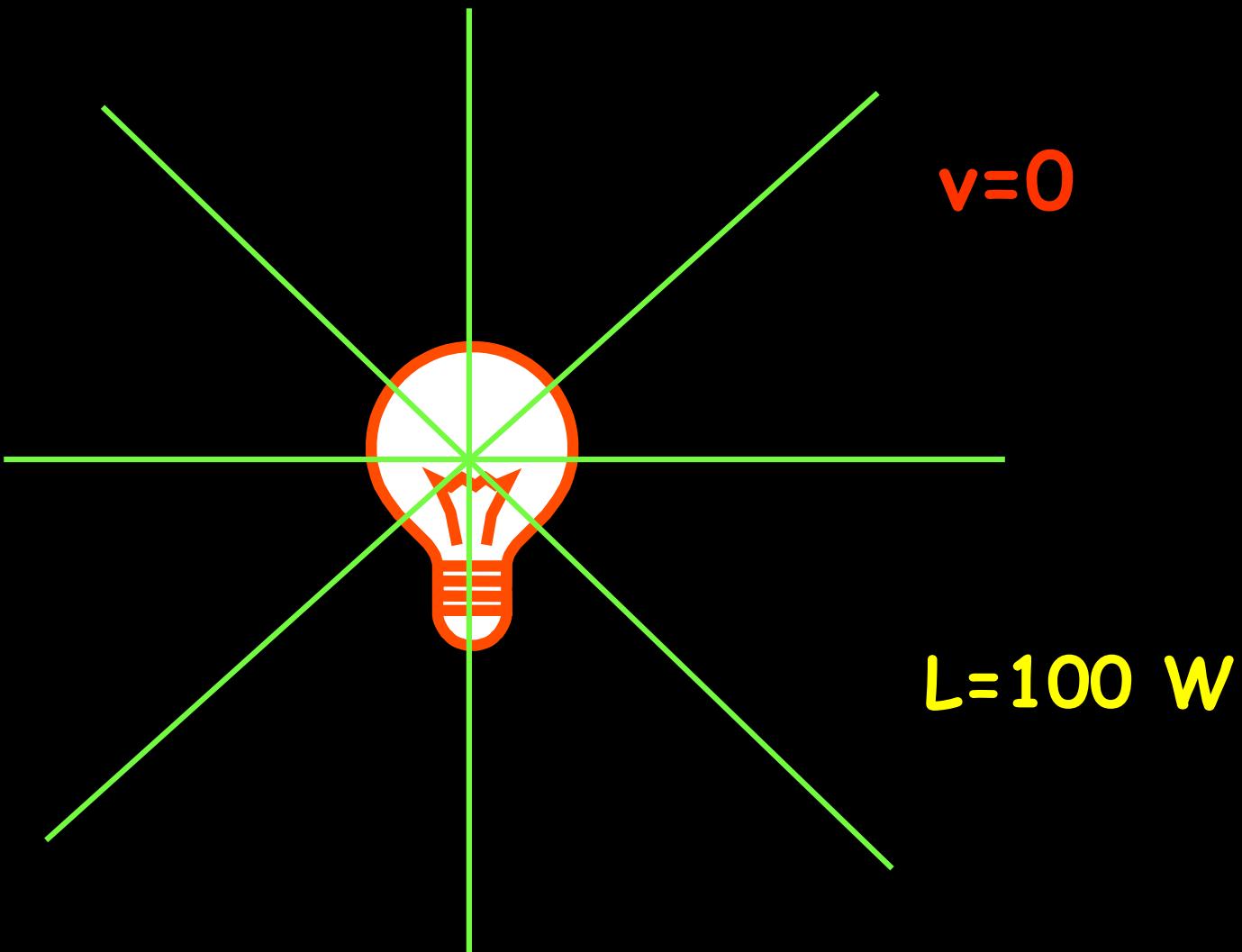
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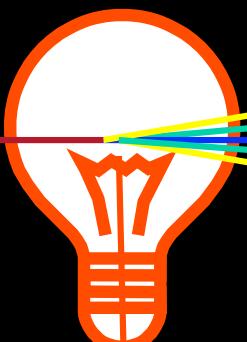


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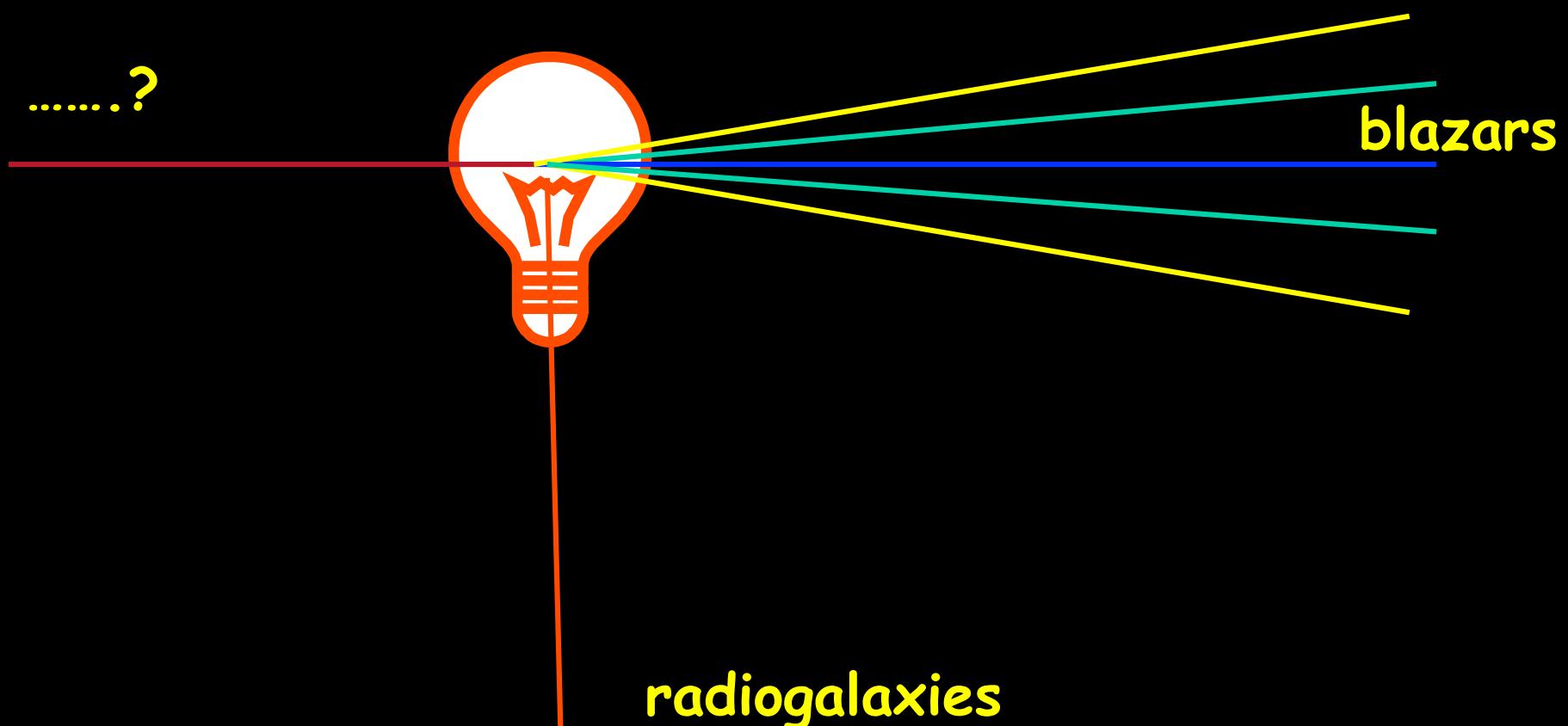
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$L=16MW$

$L=10mW$



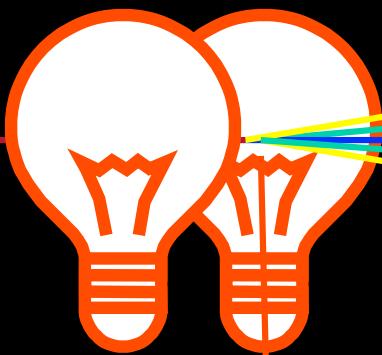
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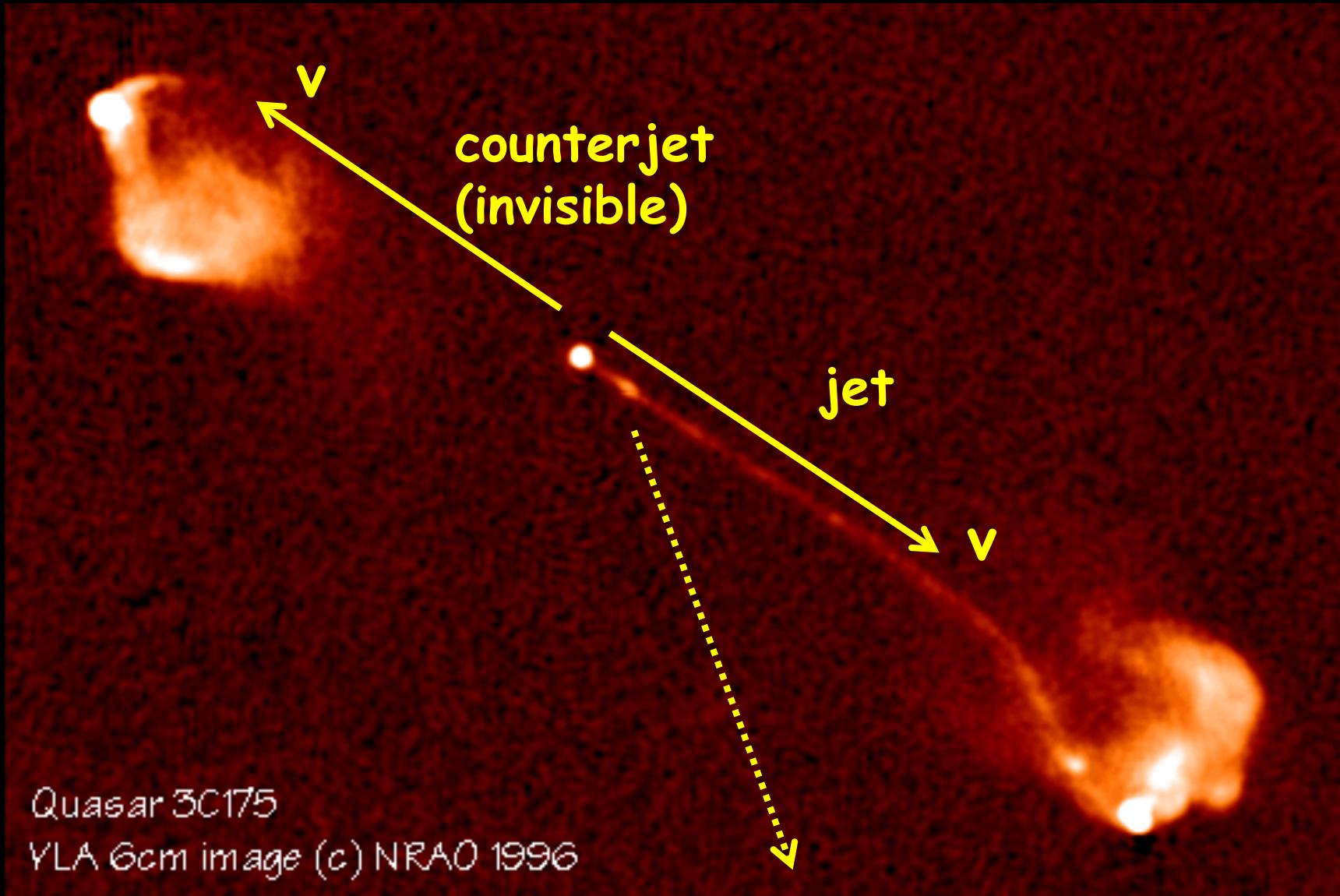


blazars!

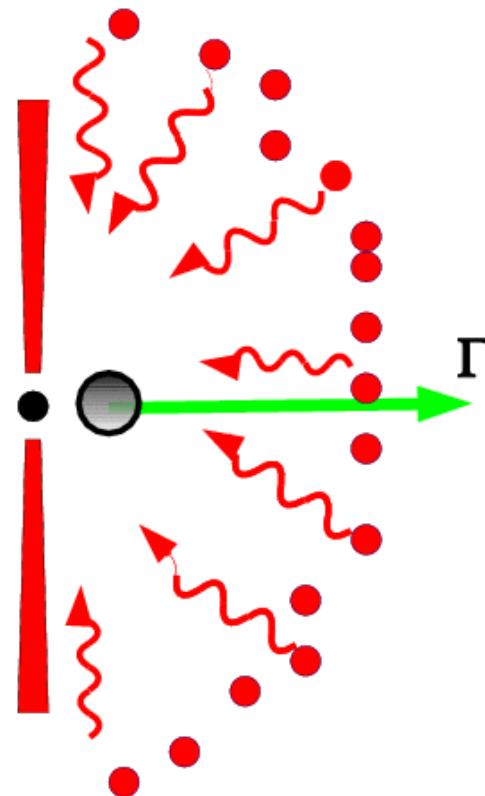


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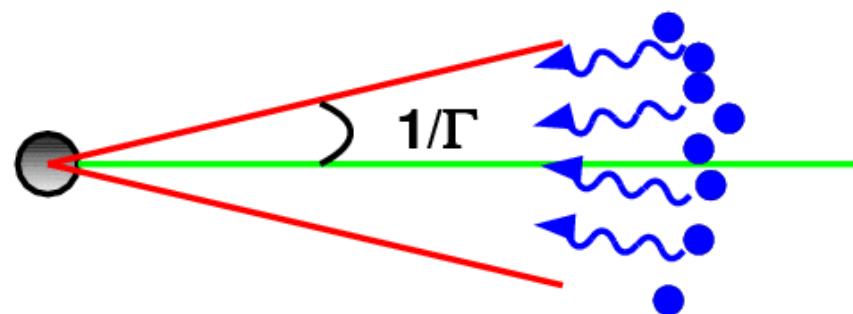
# Moving (fast) in a radiation field



Frame K

$$U_{\text{rad}}$$

Frame K'



$$U'_{\text{rad}} \sim \Gamma^2 U_{\text{rad}}$$

- Special relativity with rulers
- Special relativity with photons
- Rotation, not contraction
- Beaming factor
- Superluminal motion

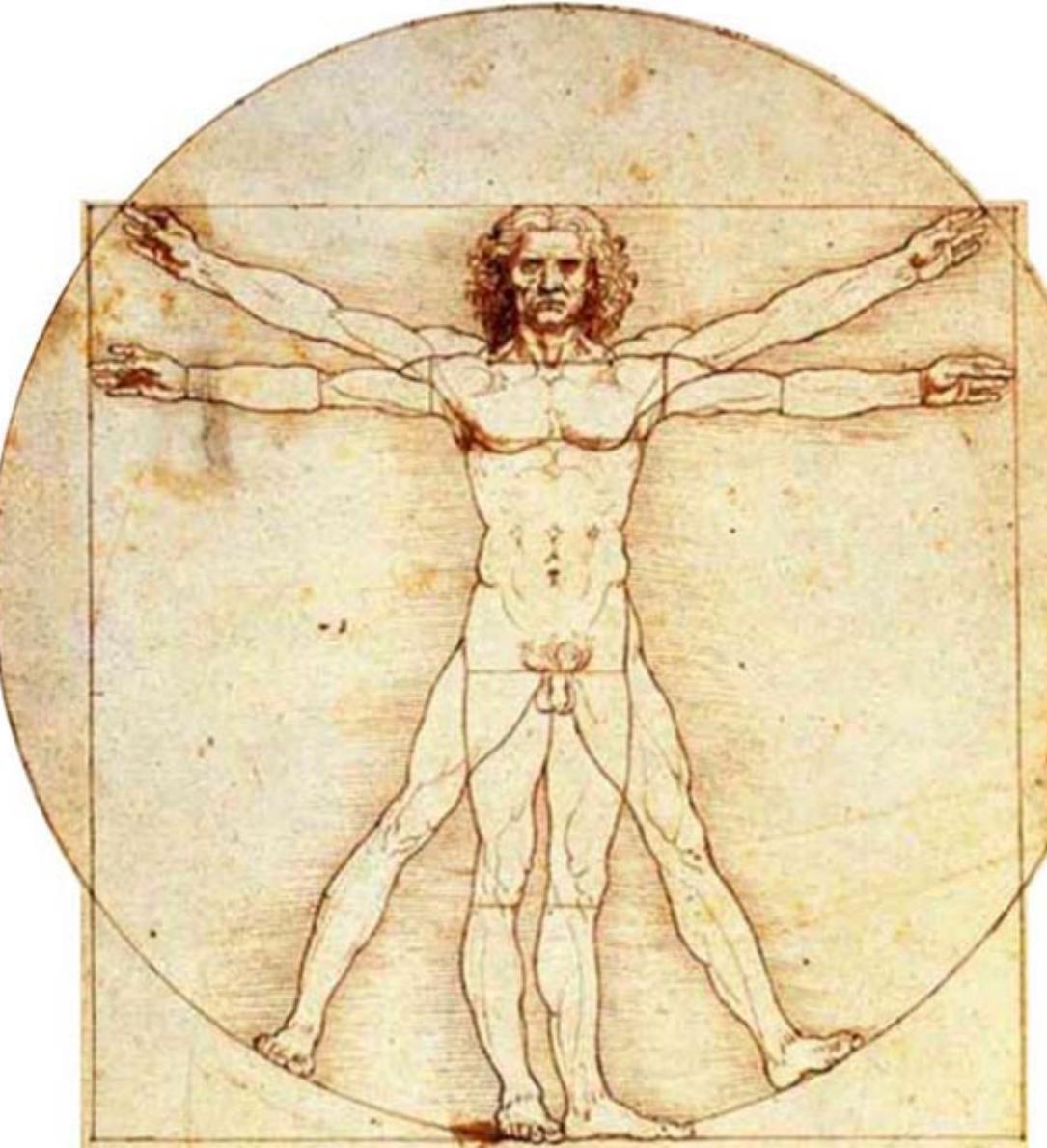
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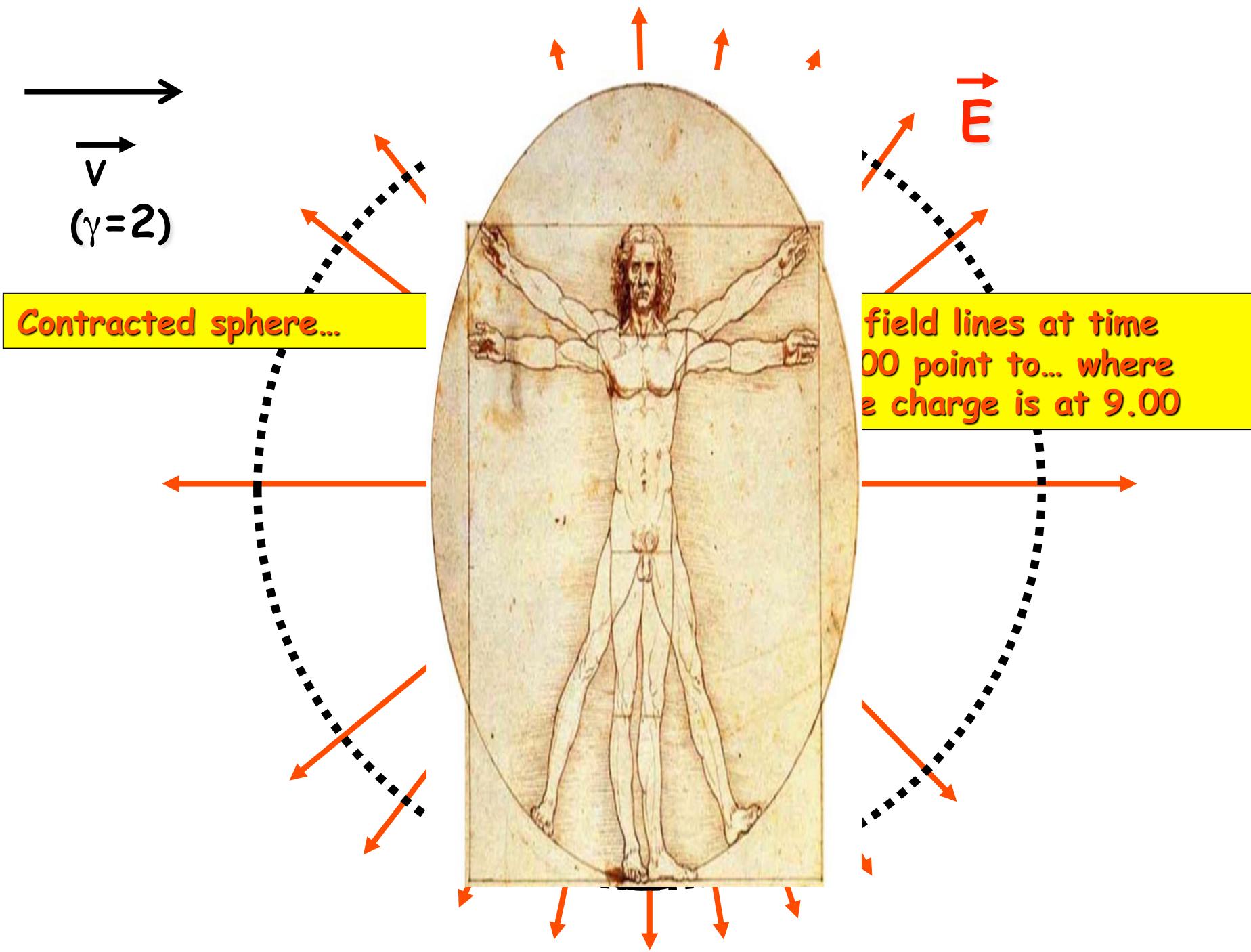
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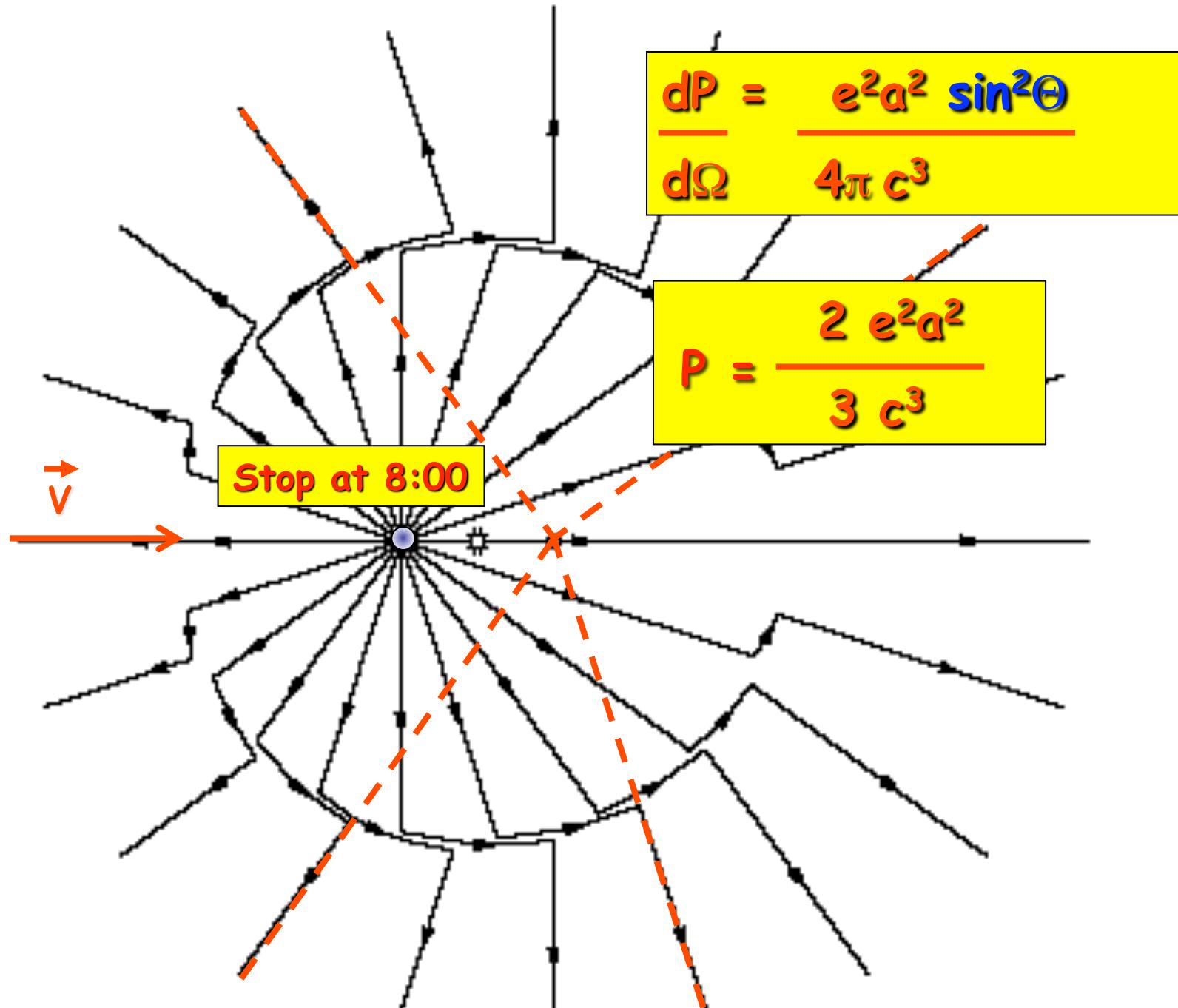
# Radiation processes

- Line emission and radiative transitions in atoms and molecules
- Breemstrahlung/Blackbody
- Curvature radiation
- Cherenkov
- Annihilation
- Unruh radiation
- Hawking radiation
- Synchrotron
- Inverse Compton

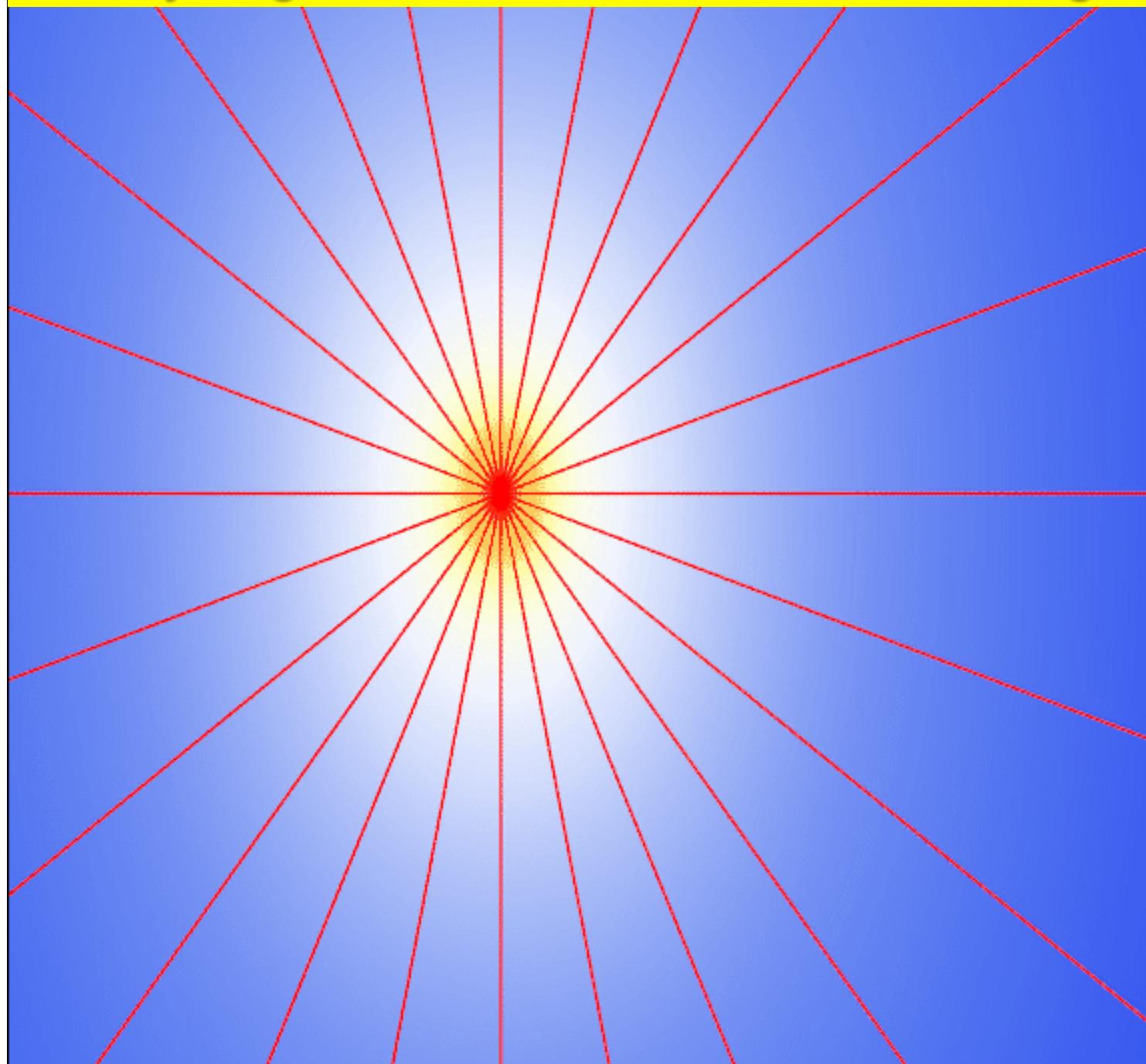
$\vec{v}=0$



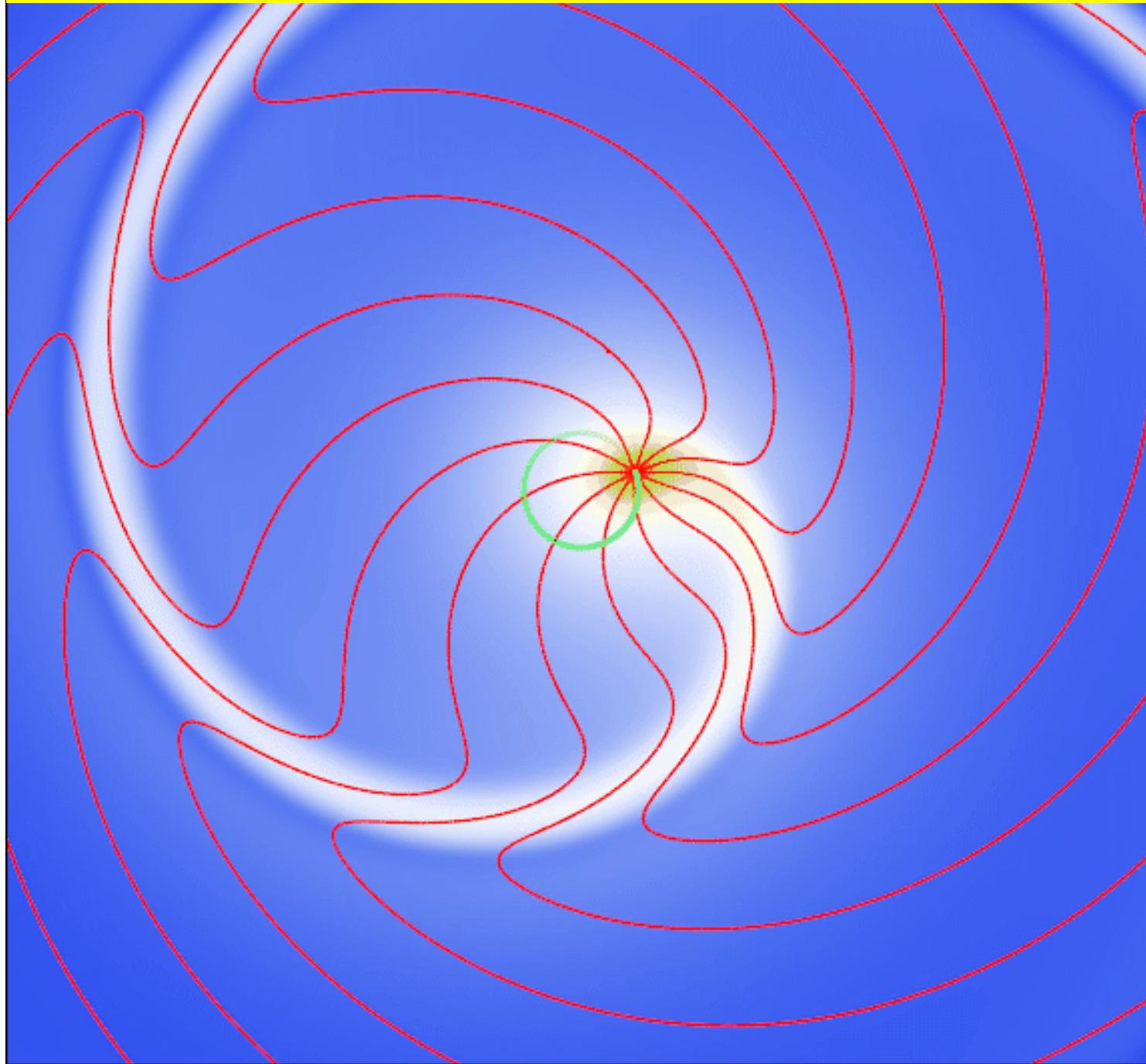




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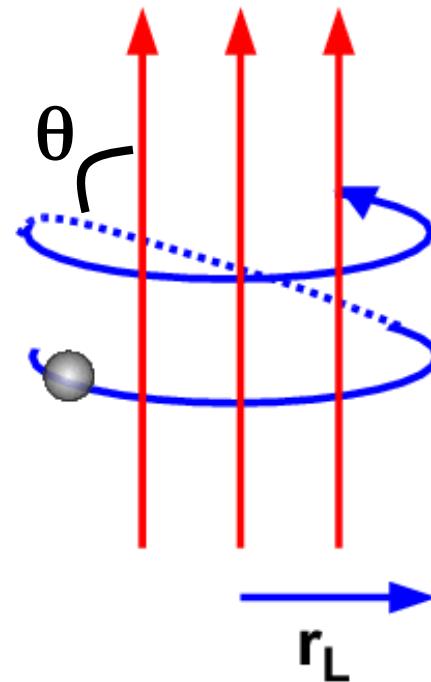


# Synchrotron

# Synchrotron

- Ingredients: Magnetic field and relativistic charges
- Responsible: Lorentz force
- Curiously, the Lorentz force doesn't work.

$$\vec{F}_L = \frac{d}{dt} (\gamma m \vec{v}) = \frac{e}{c} \vec{v} \times \vec{B}$$



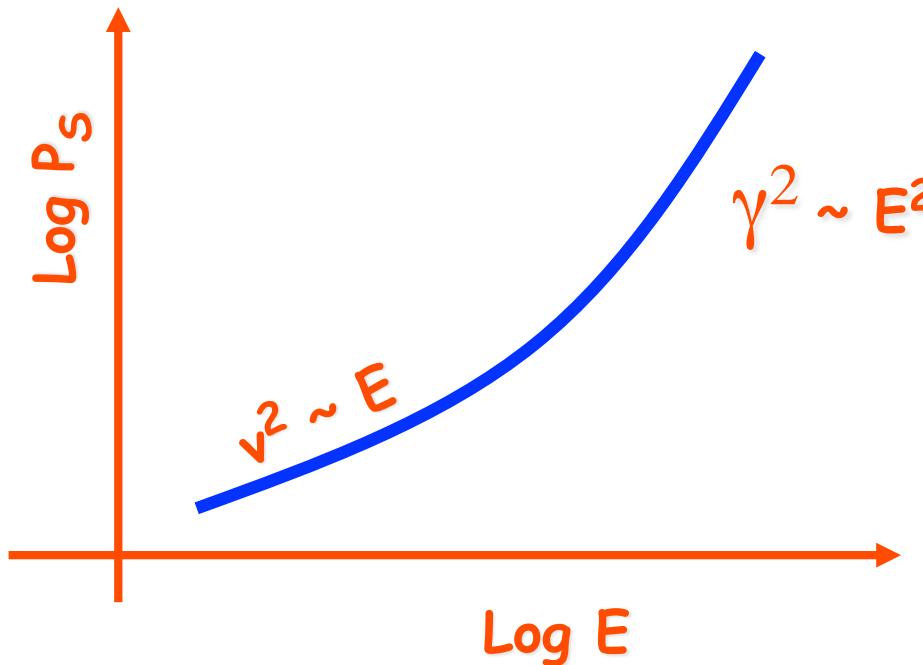
# Total losses

$$P_S(\theta) = 2\sigma_T c U_B \gamma^2 \beta^2 \sin^2 \theta$$

$$\sigma_T = 8\pi r_0^2/3$$

$$\langle P_S \rangle = \frac{4}{3} \sigma_T c U_B \gamma^2 \beta^2$$

If pitch angles  
are isotropic

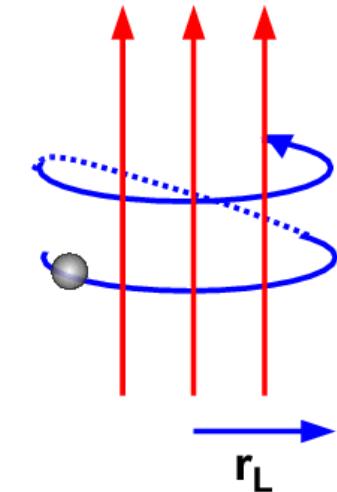


# Synchrotron Spectrum

Characteristic frequency

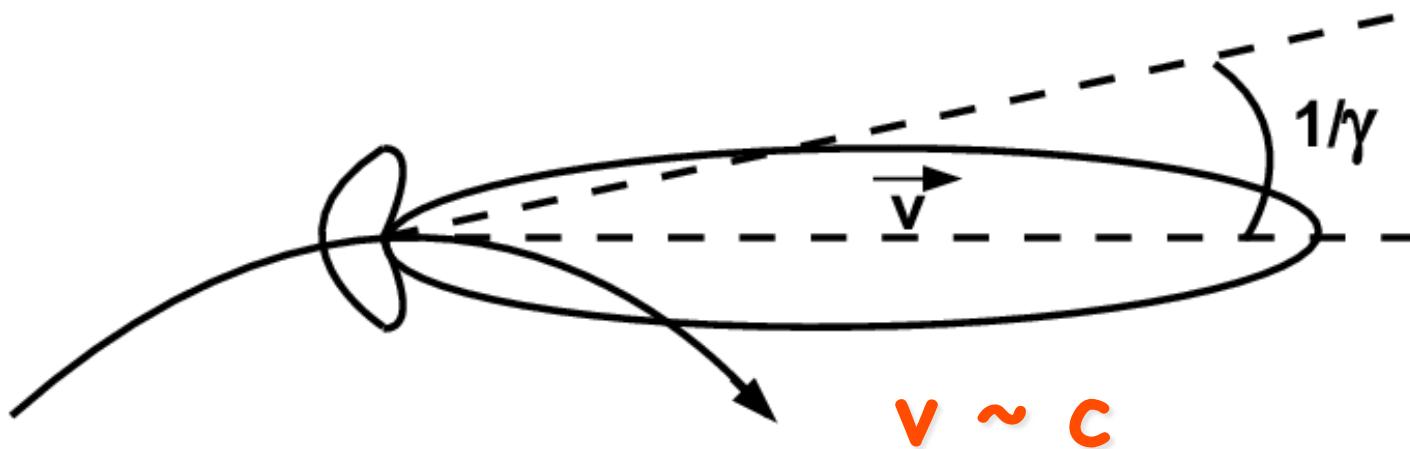
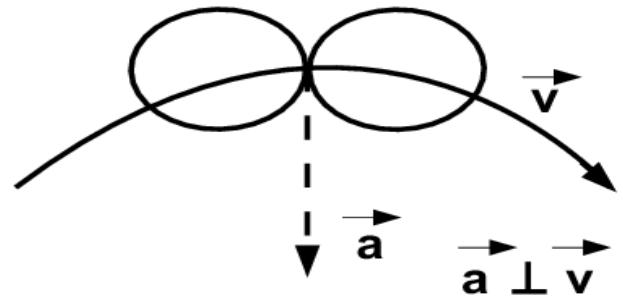
$$r_L = \frac{v_{\perp}^2}{a_{\perp}} = \frac{\gamma mc^2 \beta \sin\theta}{eB}$$

$$\nu_B = \frac{e_B e v B \sin\theta}{2\pi \gamma m c^3} = 1/T$$
$$T = 2\pi r_L / v_{\perp}$$

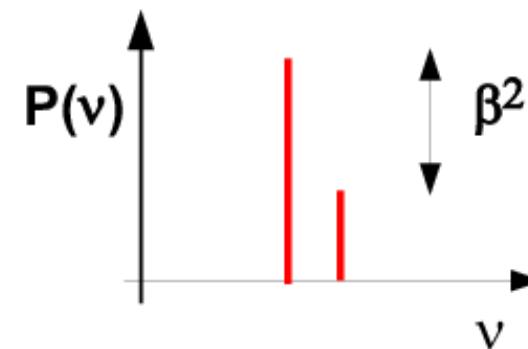
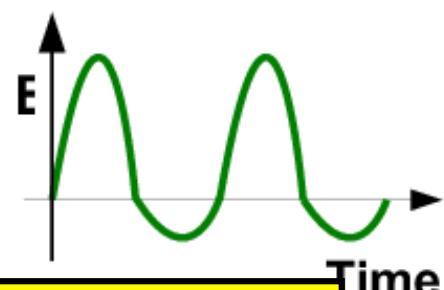
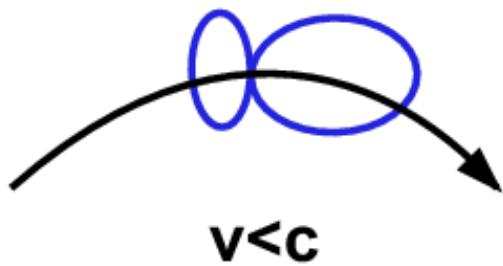
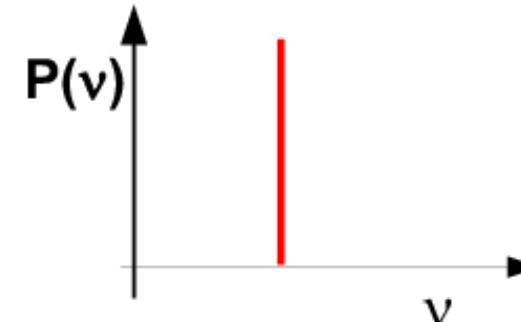
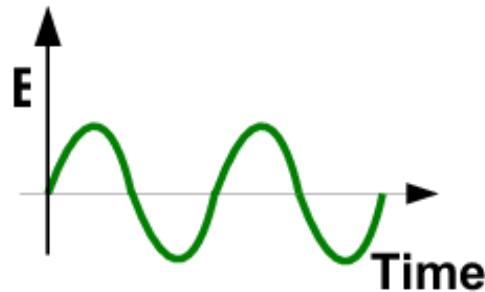
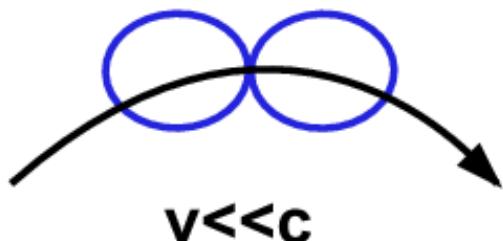


This is not the characteristic frequency

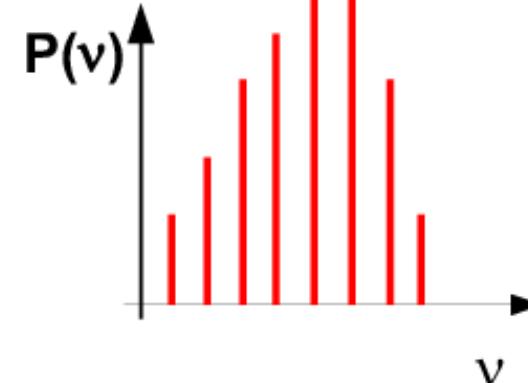
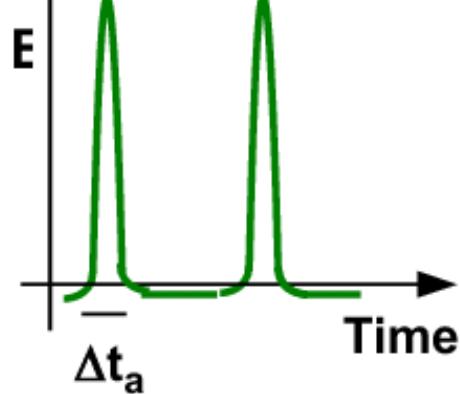
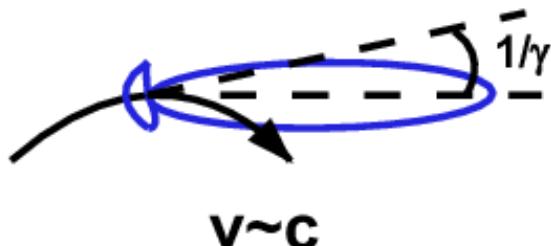
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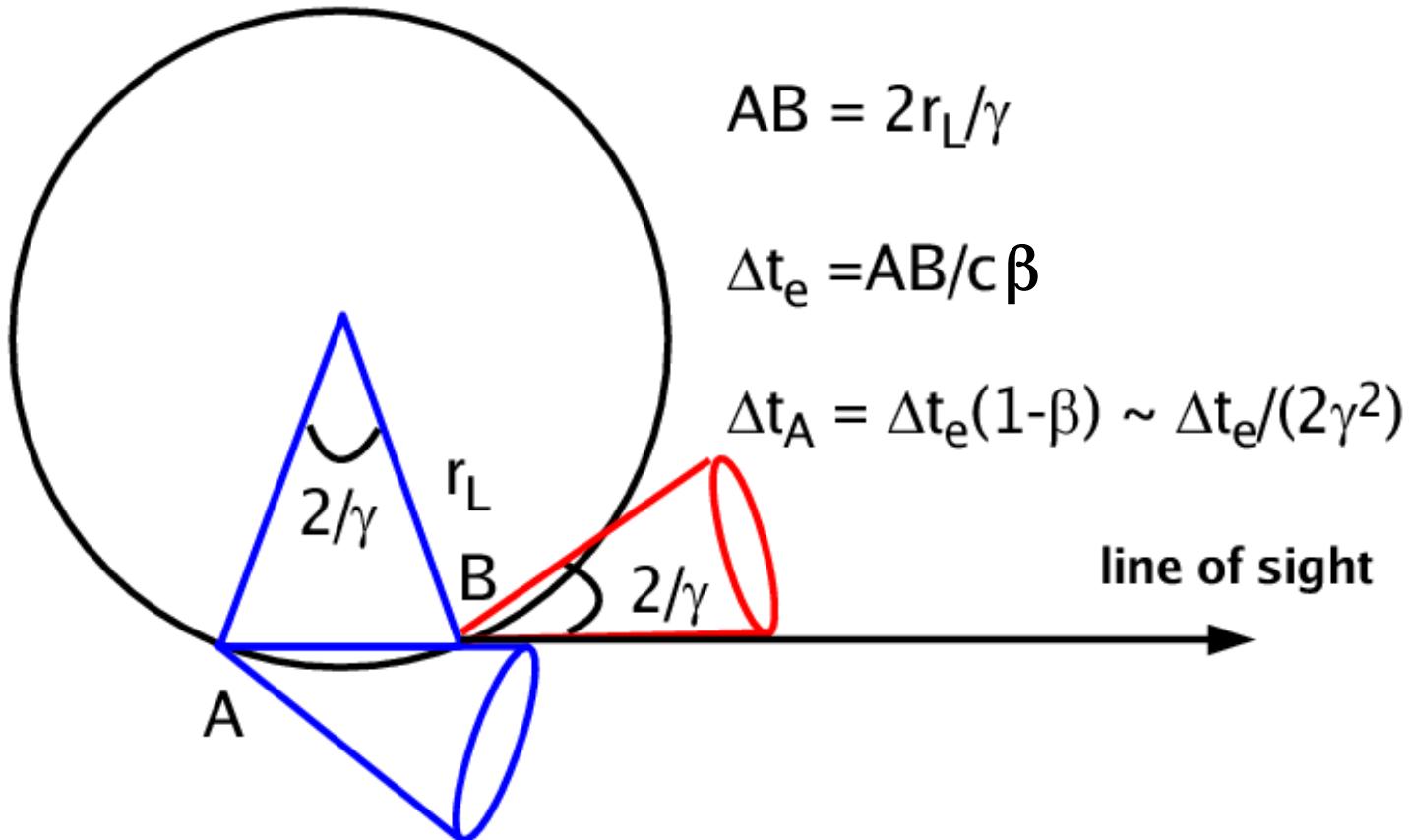
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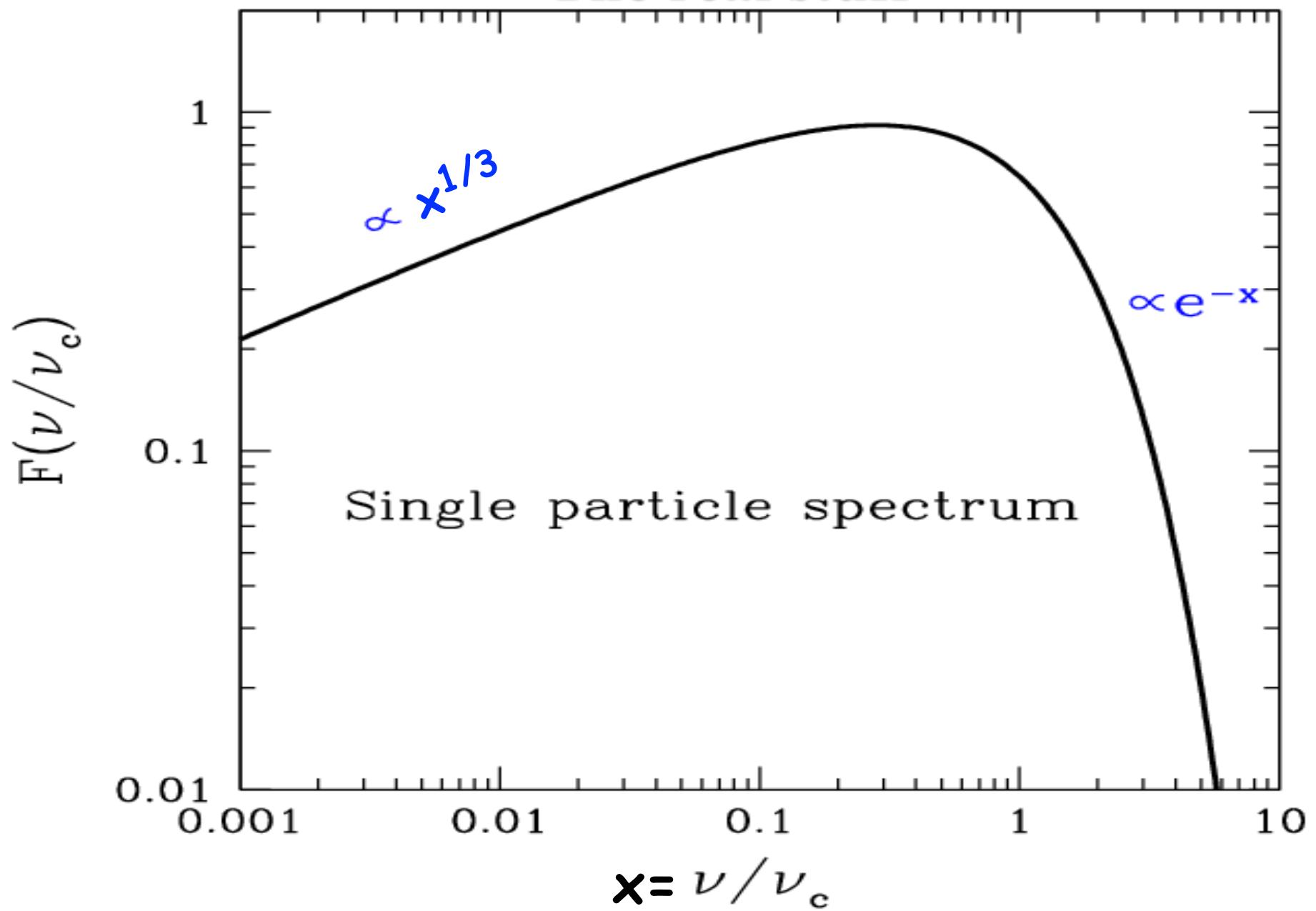
$\Delta t_A = ?$



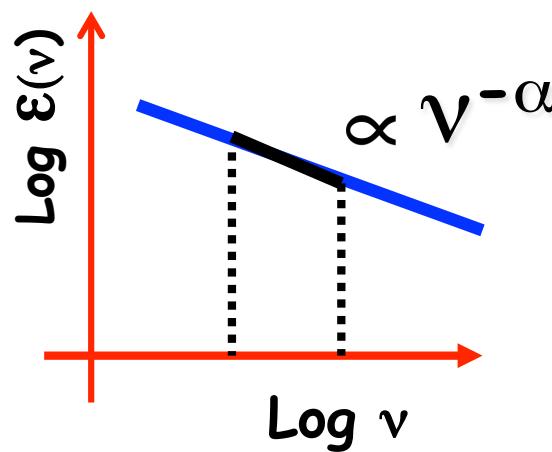
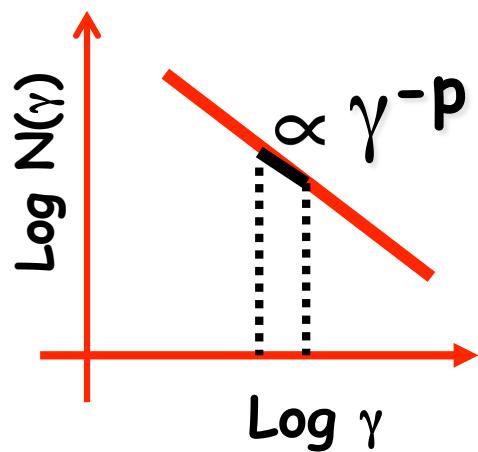
$$v_s = \frac{1}{\Delta t_A} = \gamma^3 \frac{eB}{2\pi\gamma mc} = \gamma^2 \frac{eB}{2\pi mc}$$



## The real stuff



# Emission from many particles



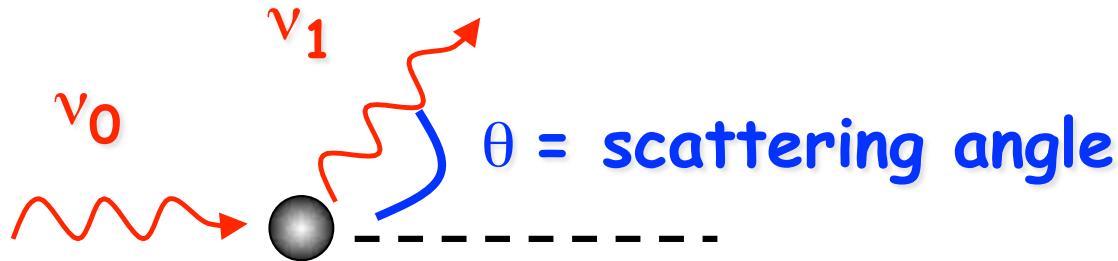
$$\alpha = \frac{p-1}{2}$$

# Inverse Compton

# Inverse Compton

- Scattering is one the basic interactions between matter and radiation.
- At low photon frequencies it is a classical process (i.e. *e.m. waves*)
- At low frequencies the cross section is called the Thomson cross section, and it is a peanut.
- At high energies the electron recoils, and the cross section is the Klein-Nishina one.

# Thomson scattering



- $h\nu_0 \ll m_e c^2$
- tennis ball against a wall
- The wall doesn't move
- The ball bounces back with the same speed  
(if it is elastic)

$$v_1 = v_0$$

# Thomson cross section

$$\frac{d\sigma_T}{d\Omega} = \frac{r_0^2}{2} (1 + \cos^2\theta) \rightarrow \text{a peanut}$$



$$\sigma_T = \frac{8\pi}{3} r_0^2$$

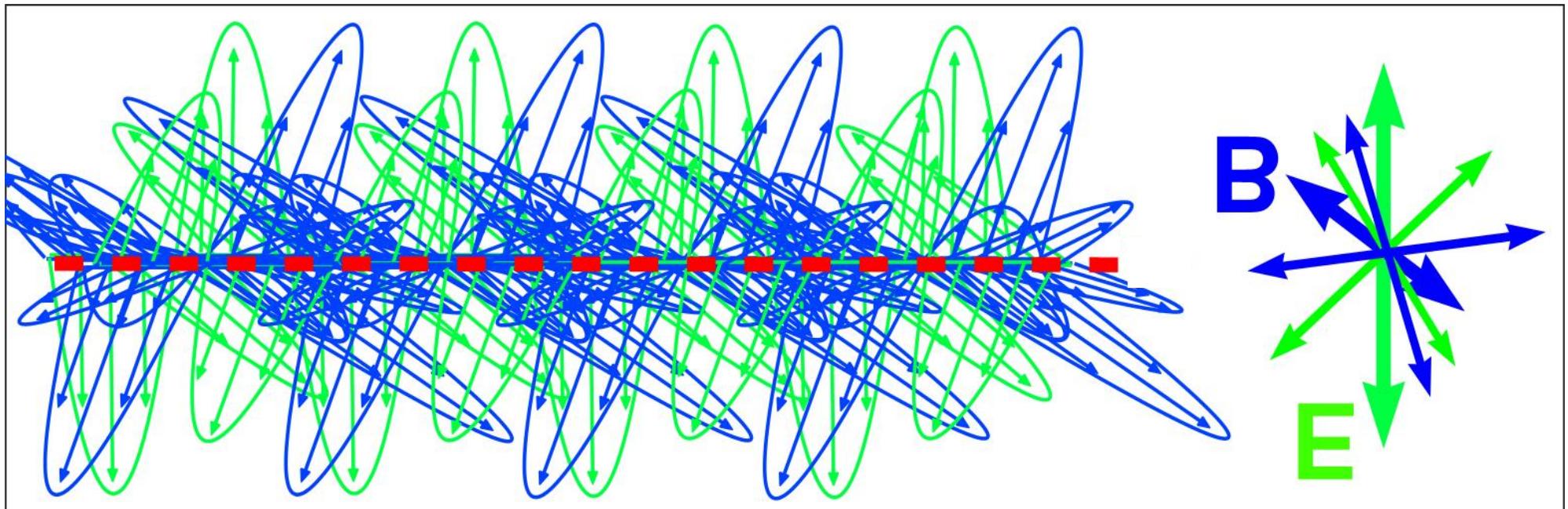
$$r_0 = \frac{e^2}{m_e c^2}$$

$$m_e c^2 = \int_{a_0}^{\infty} \frac{E^2}{8\pi} 4\pi r^2 dr = \int_{a_0}^{\infty} \frac{e^2}{2r^2} dr \rightarrow a_0 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{e^2}{m_e c^2}$$

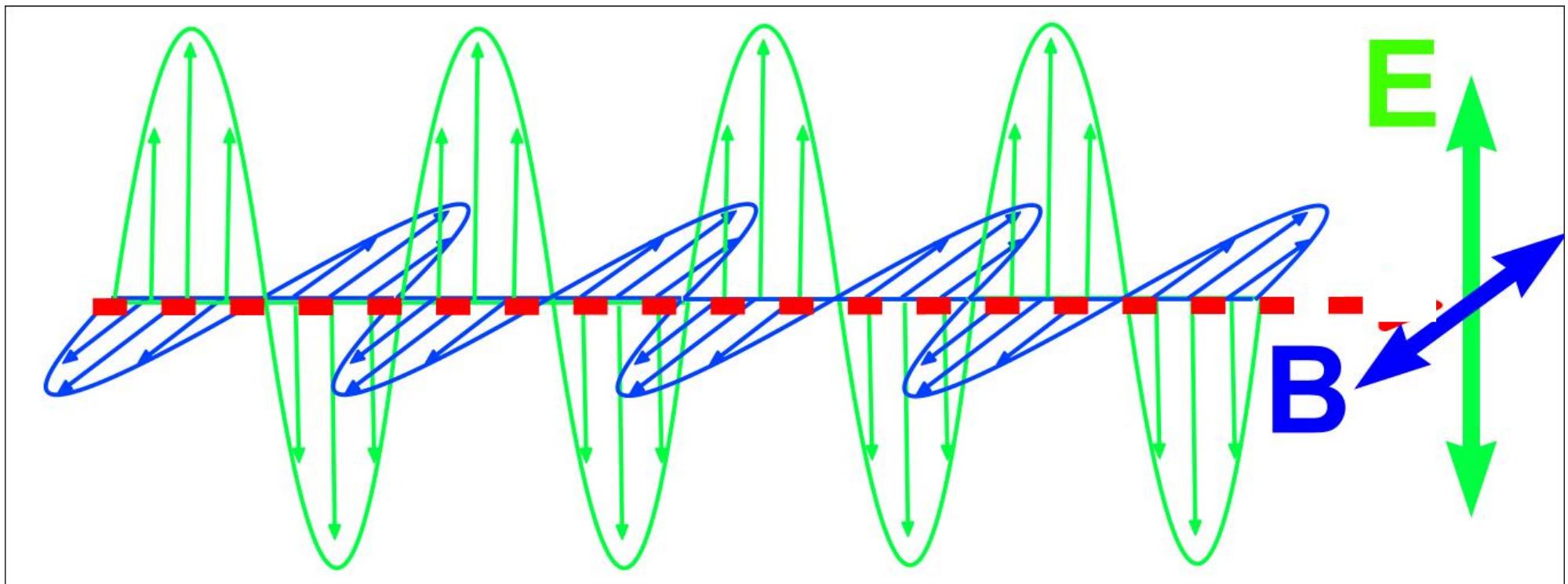
Electromagnetic mass of the electron:

See Vol. 2, chapter 28.3 of *The Feynman Lectures on Physics*

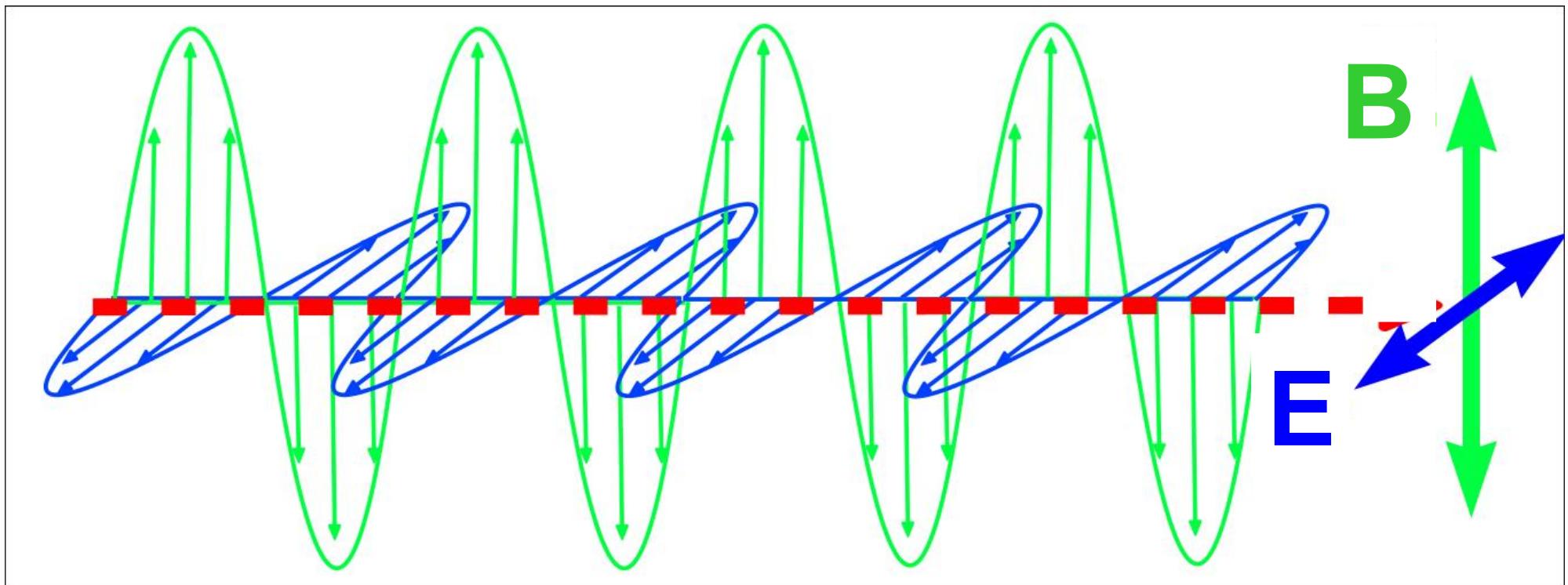
# Why a peanut?



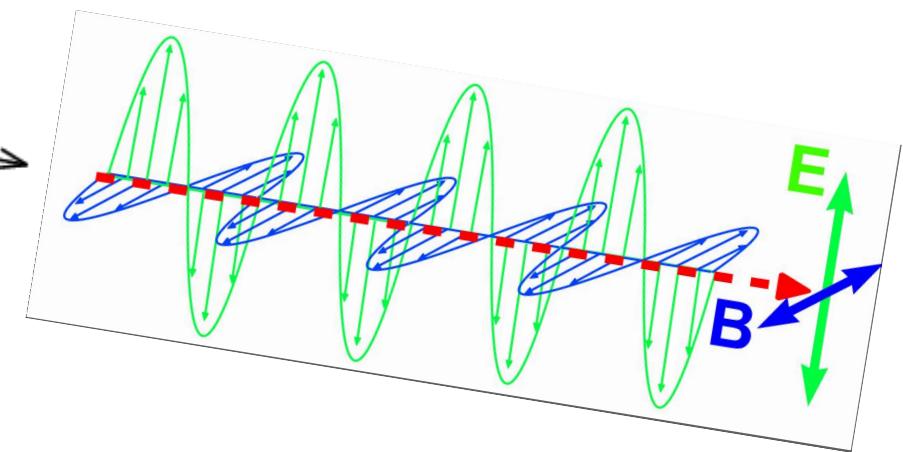
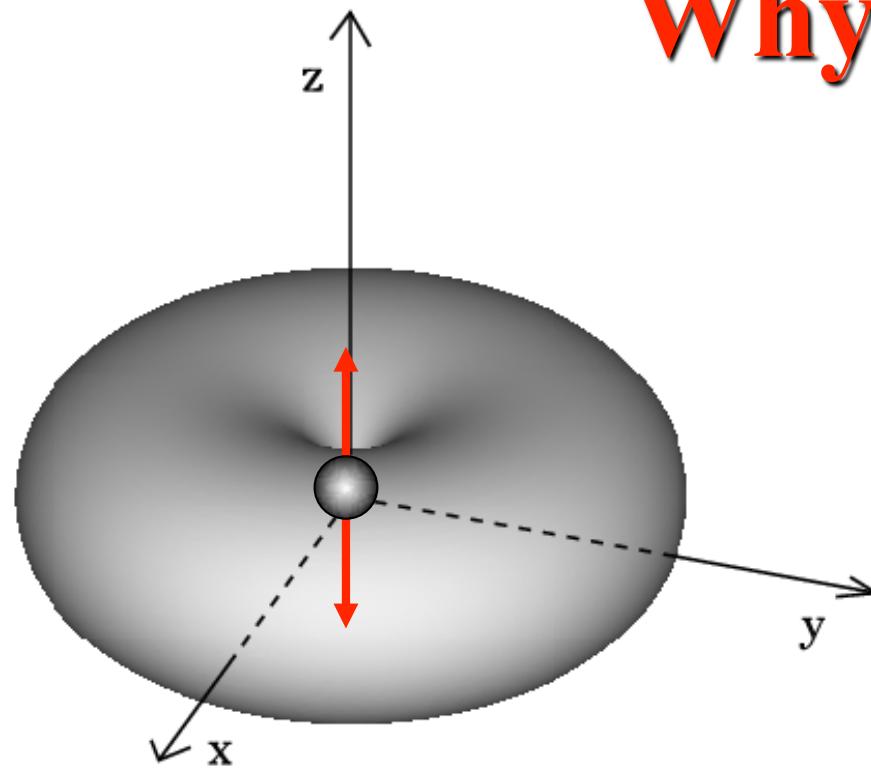
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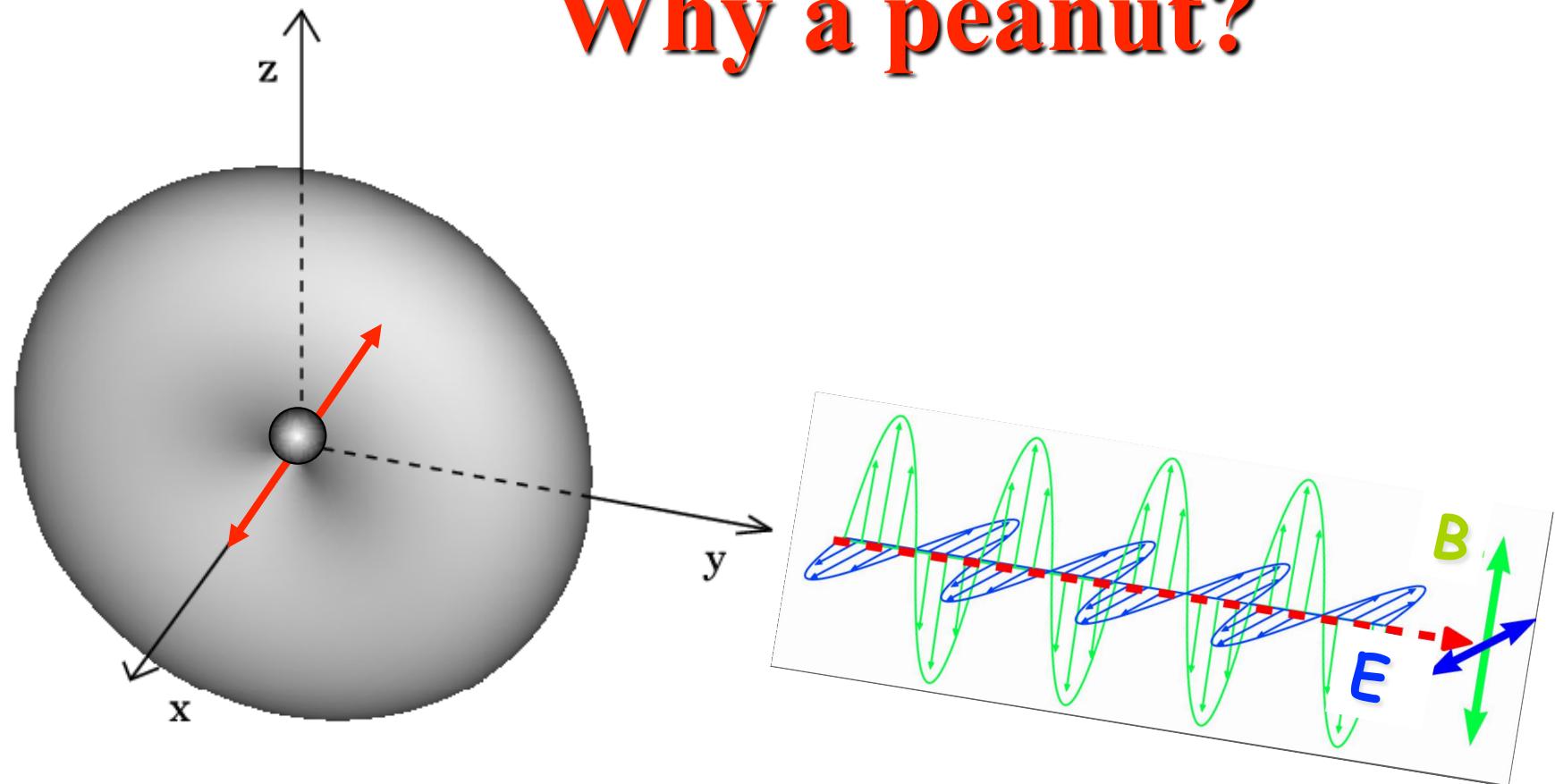


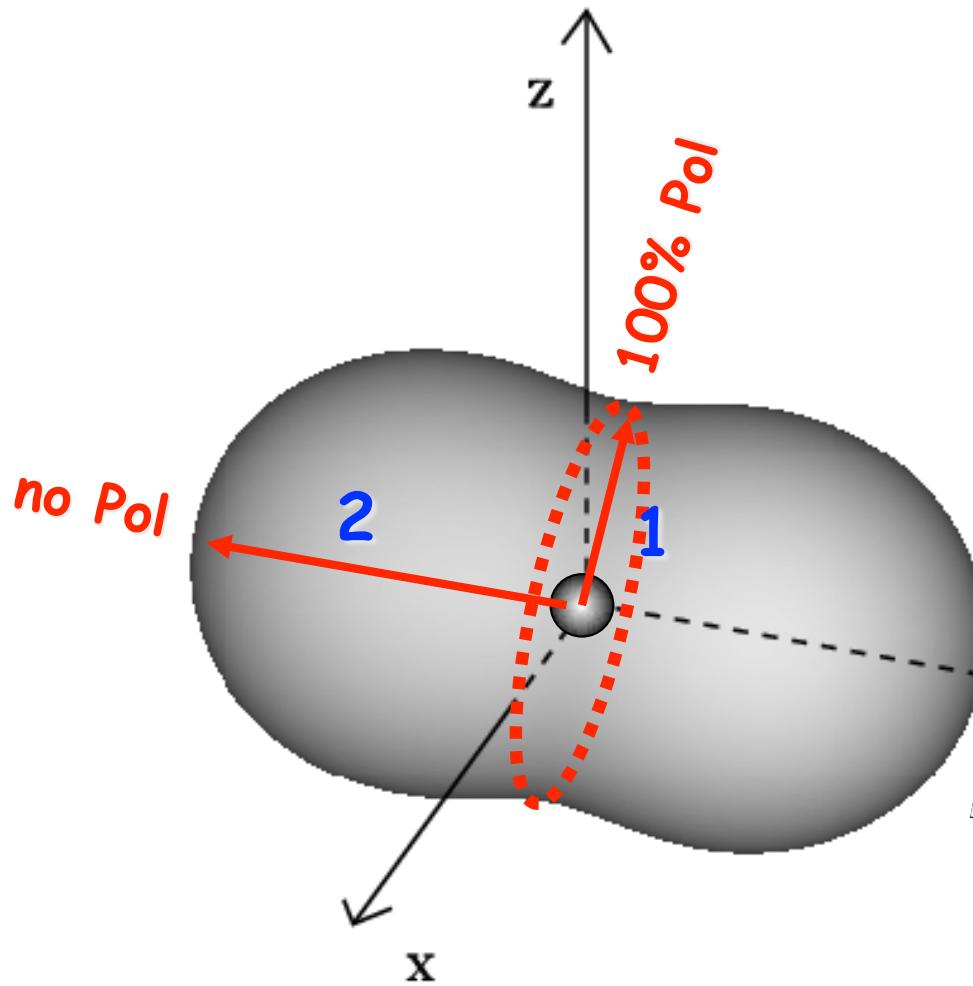
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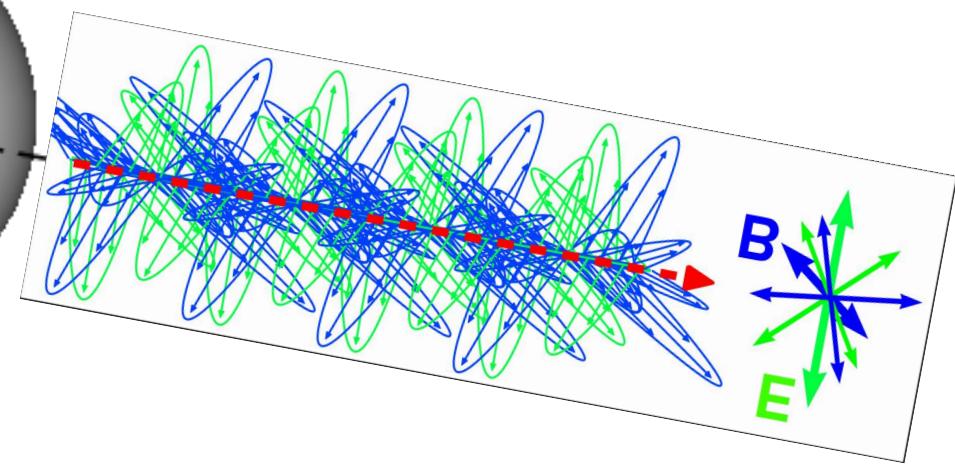
Remember: 
$$\frac{dP}{d\Omega} = \frac{e^2 a^2}{4\pi c^3} \sin^2\Theta$$

# Why a peanut?



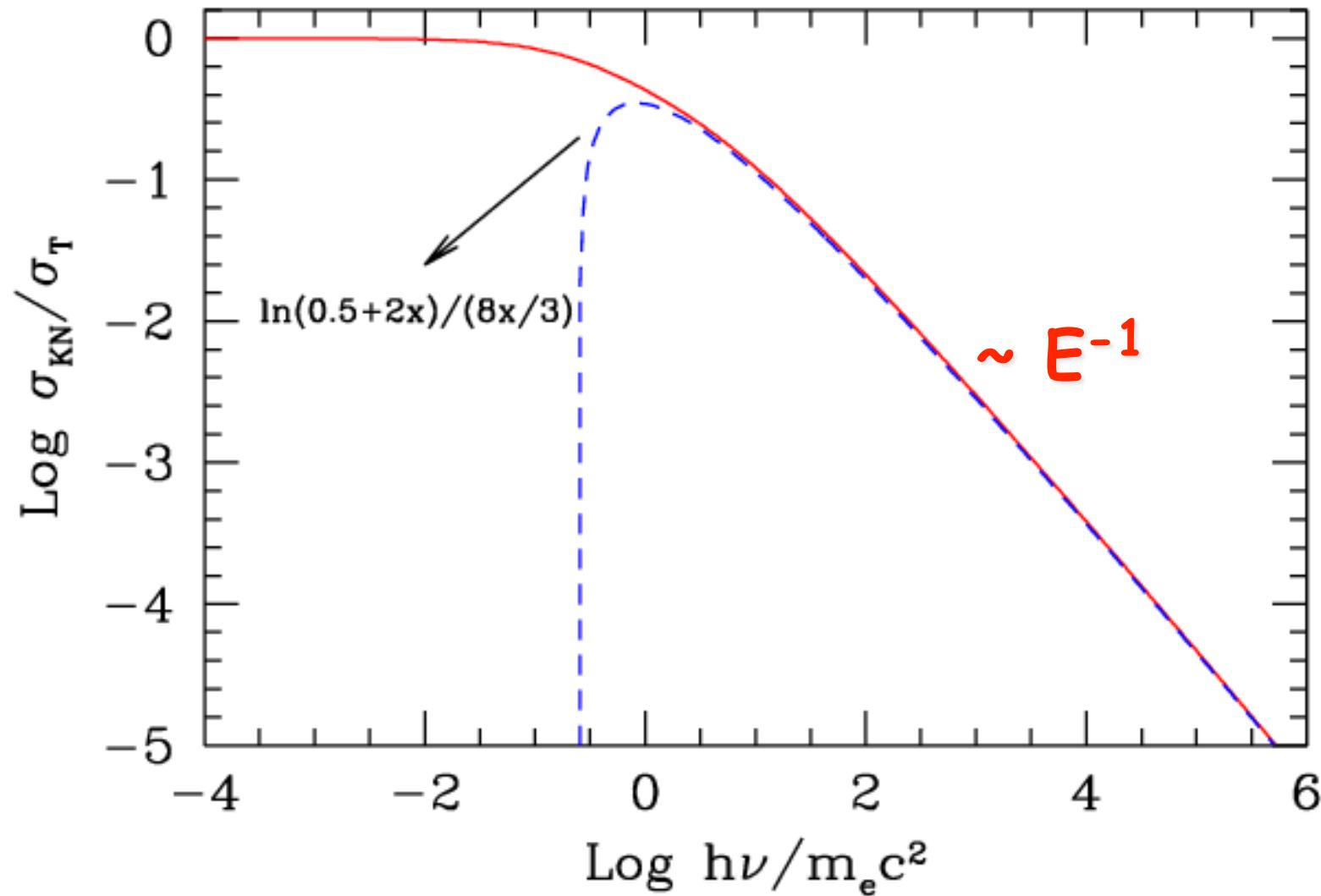


$$\Pi = \frac{1 - \cos^2 \theta}{1 + \cos^2 \theta}$$

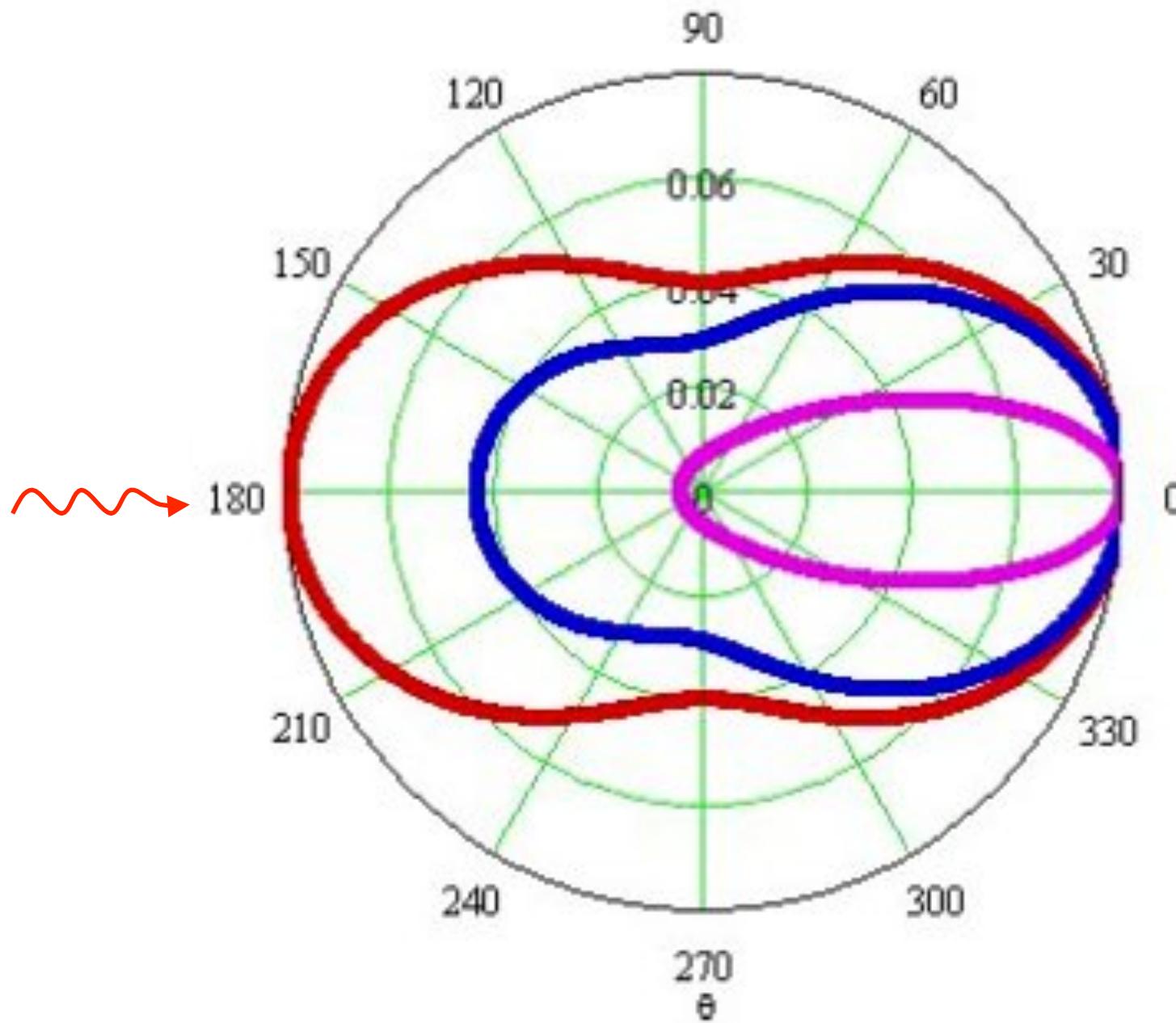


$$\frac{d\sigma_T}{d\Omega} = \frac{r_0^2}{2} (1 + \cos^2 \theta)$$

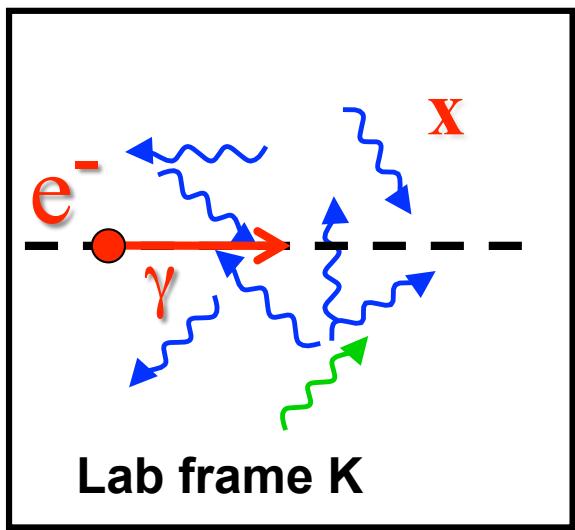
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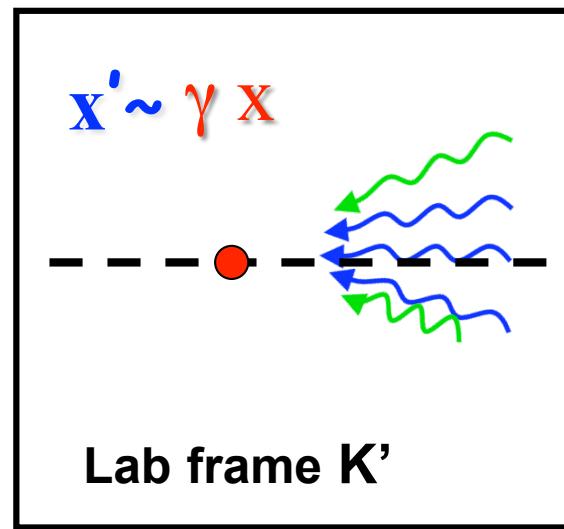
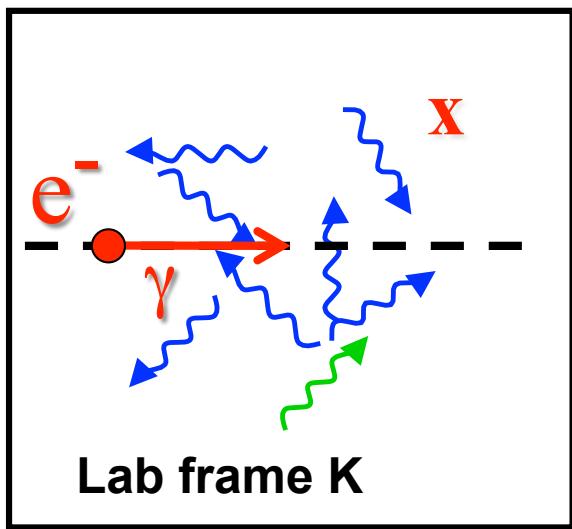
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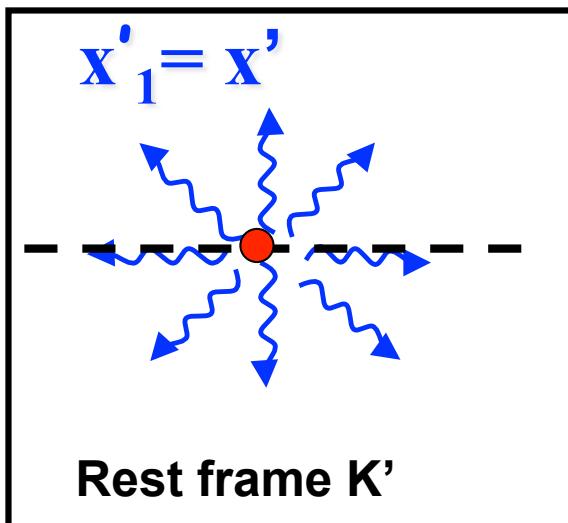
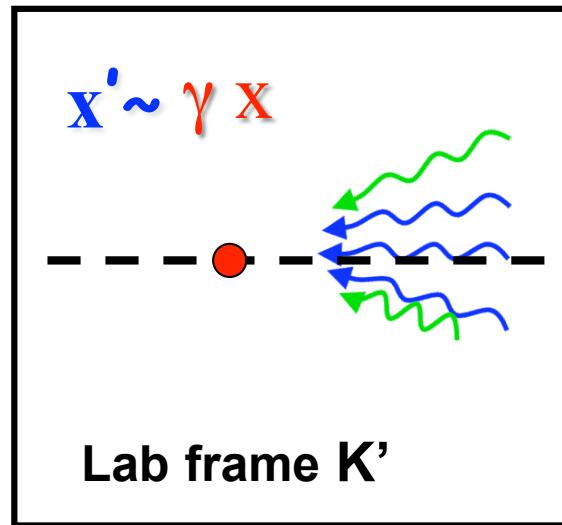
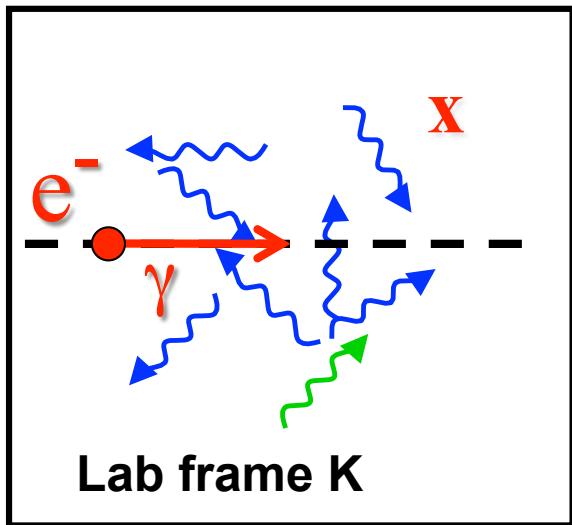
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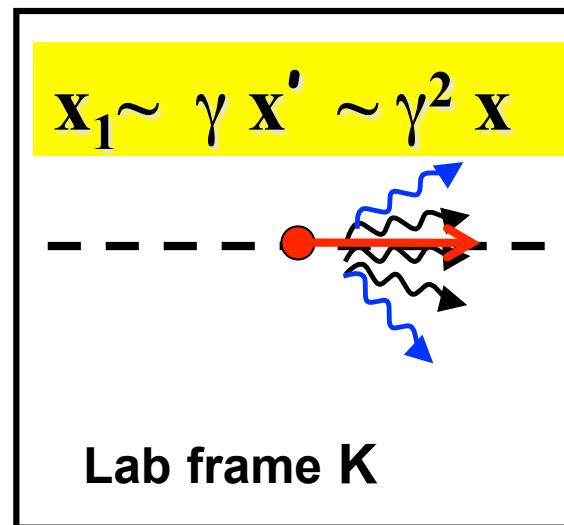
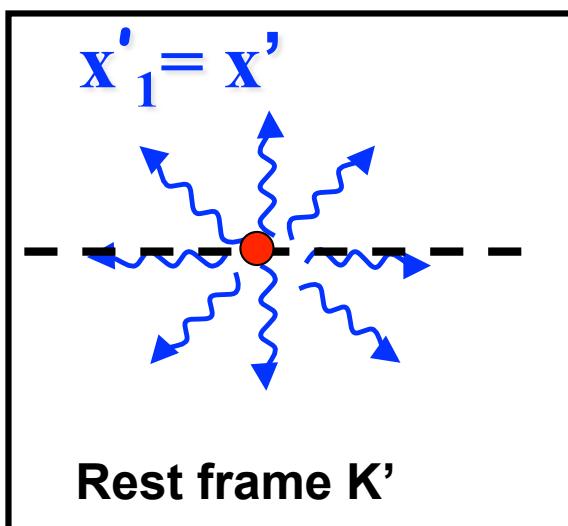
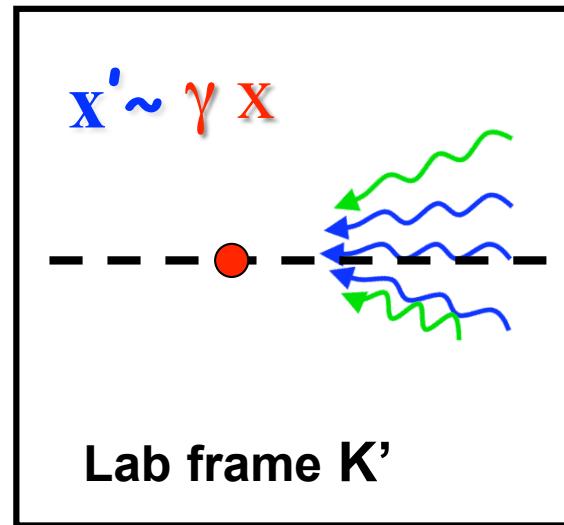
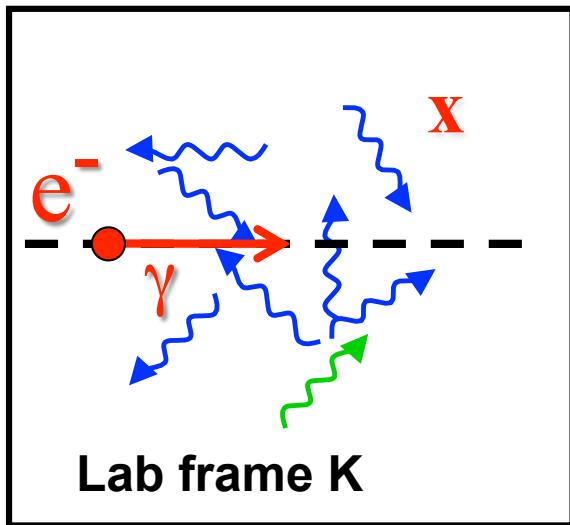
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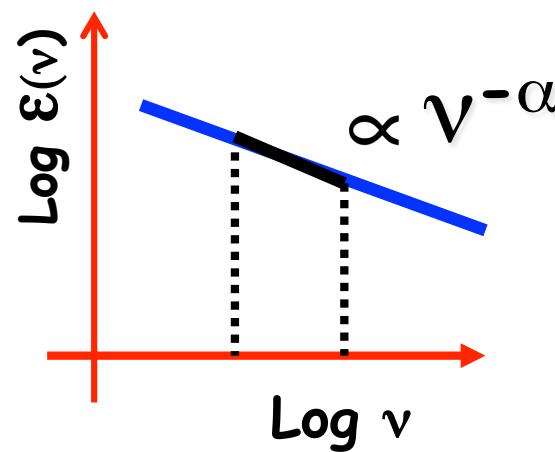
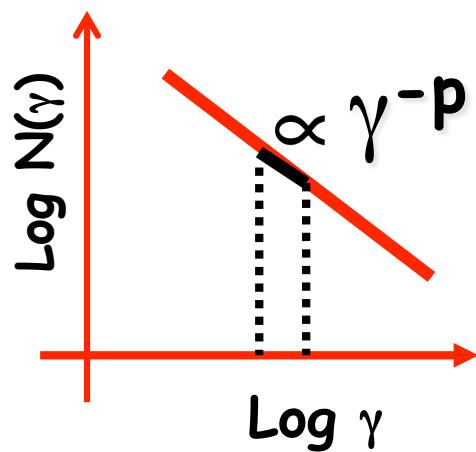


# Total loss rate

$$\langle P_c \rangle = \frac{4}{3} \sigma_T c U_{\text{rad}} \gamma^2 \beta^2 \quad \text{Compare with synchrotron losses:}$$

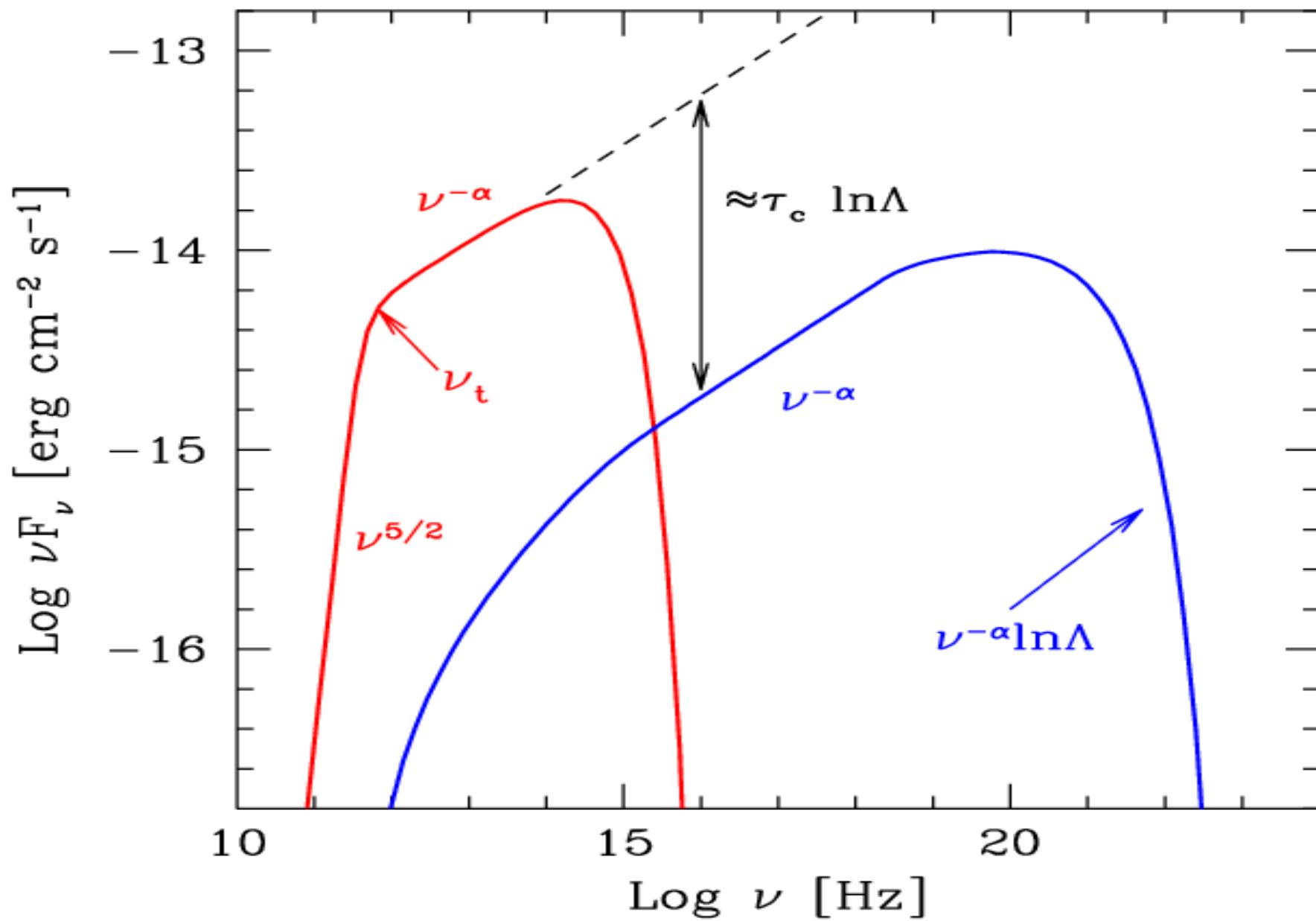
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# Inverse Compton spectrum



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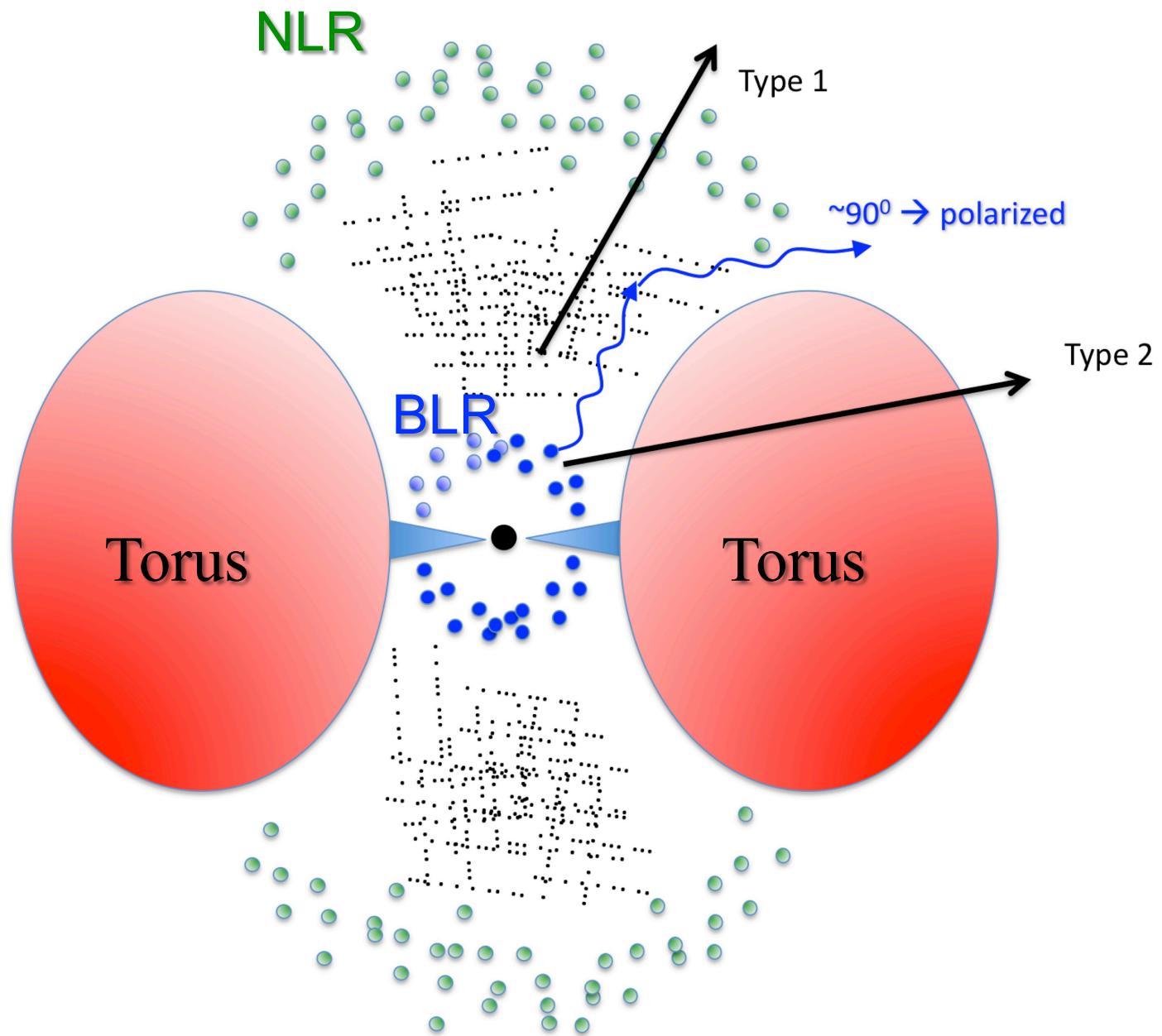
# Synchrotron Self Compton: SSC

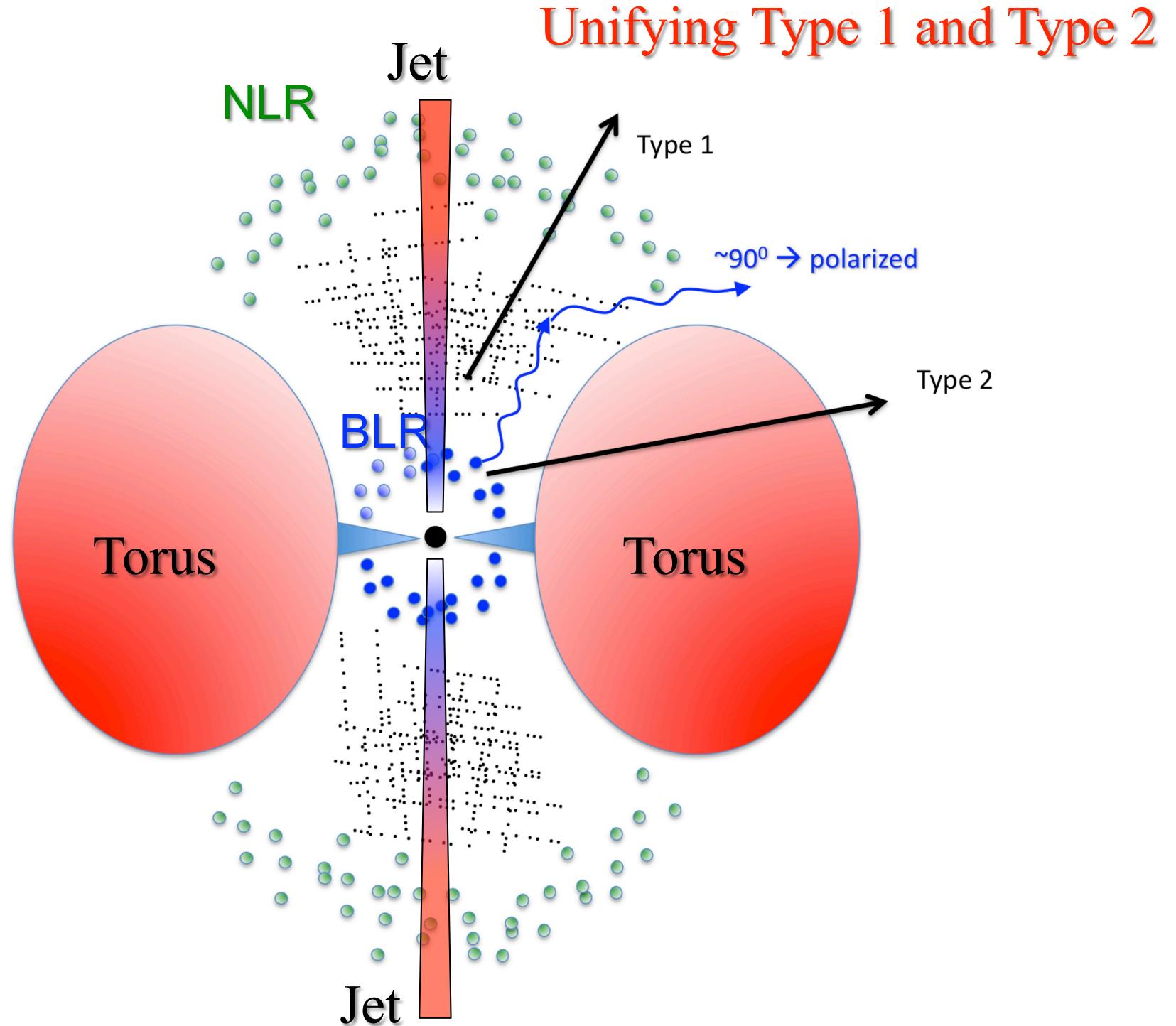


- Many kind of radiation
- Radiation from accelerated charges
- Synchro: why  $\gamma^2$
- Inverse Compton:
  - why the peanut
  - why  $\gamma^2$

# Relativistic jets

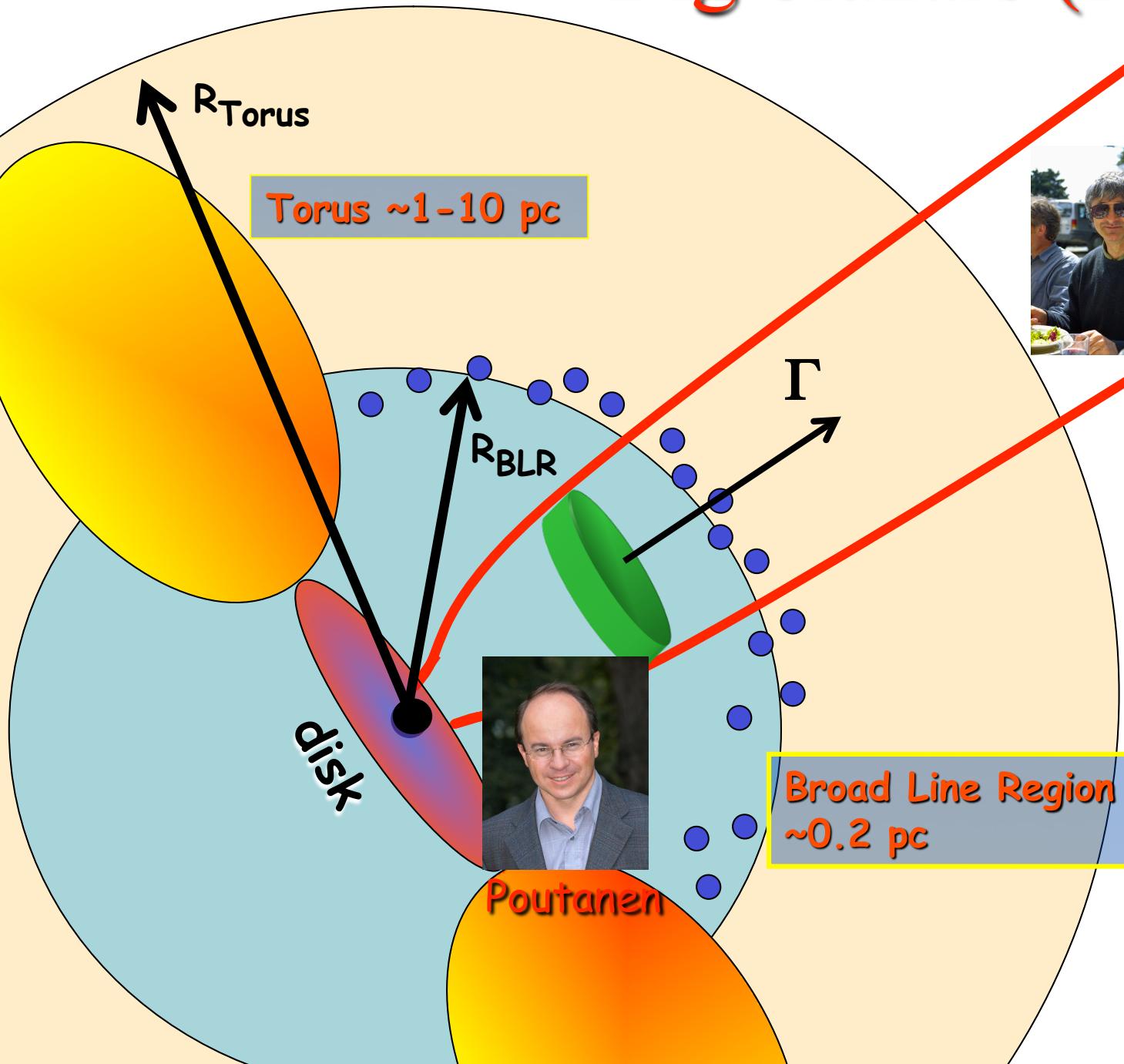
# Unifying Type 1 and Type 2





$L_d > 0.01 L_{\text{Edd}}$

# Big blazars (FSRQ)



Sikora

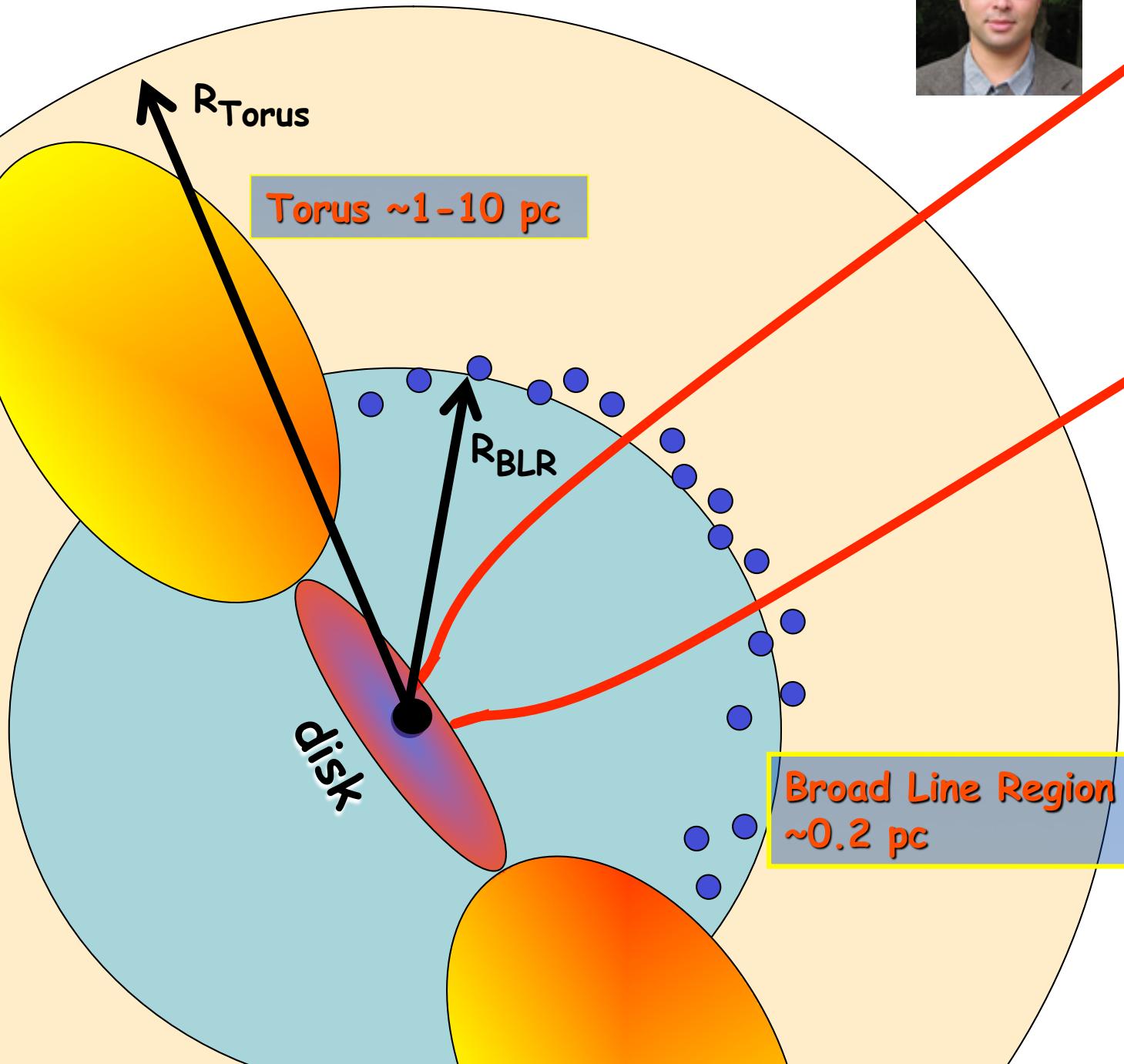
Within  $R_{\text{BLR}}$   
 $U_{\text{BLR}} = \text{const}$

Within  $R_{\text{Torus}}$   
 $U_{\text{IR}} = \text{const}$

$L_d > 0.01 L_{\text{Edd}}$



Lyutikov



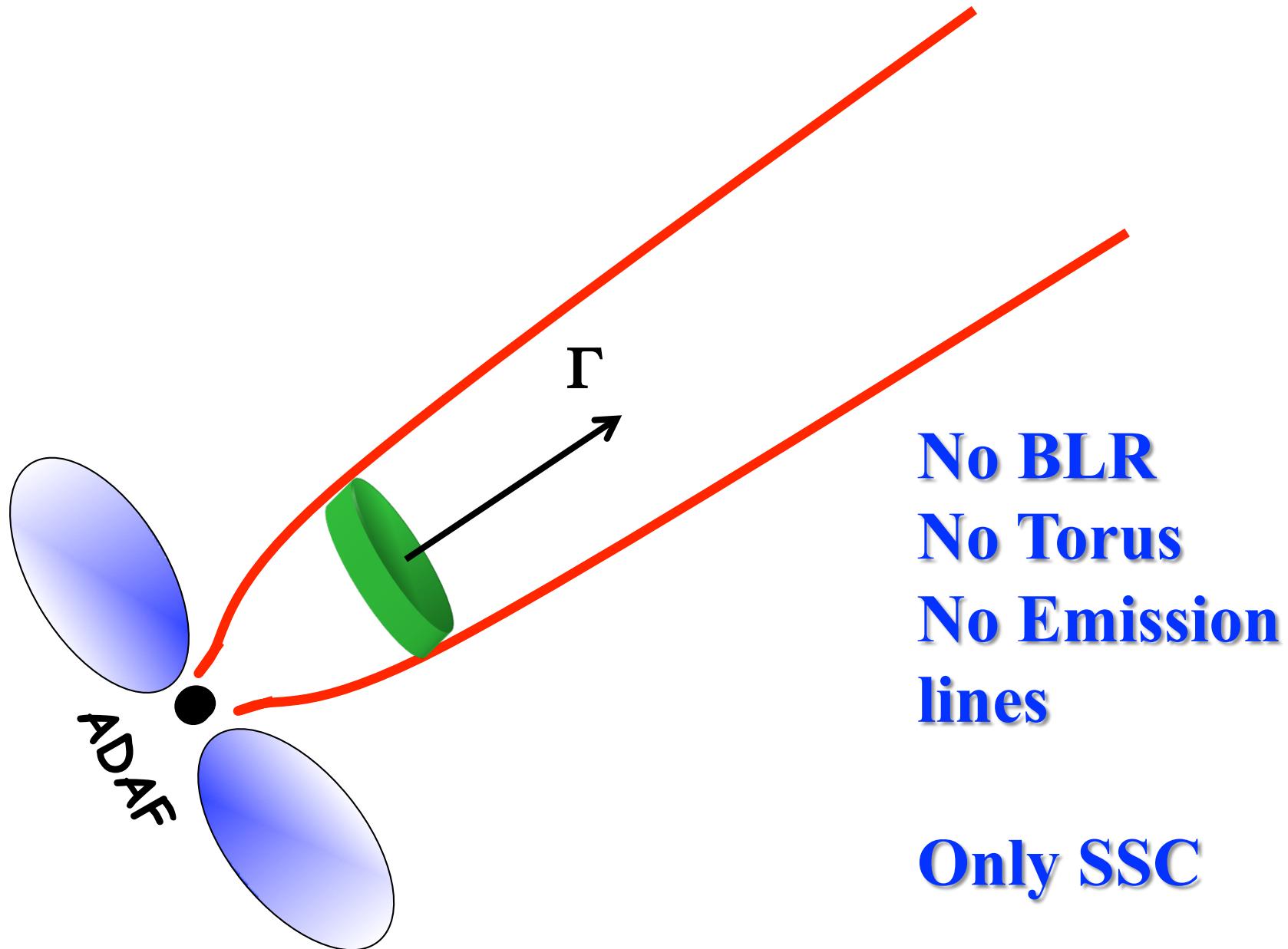
~VLBI region  
~20 pc away  
(Marscher+)



$\Gamma$

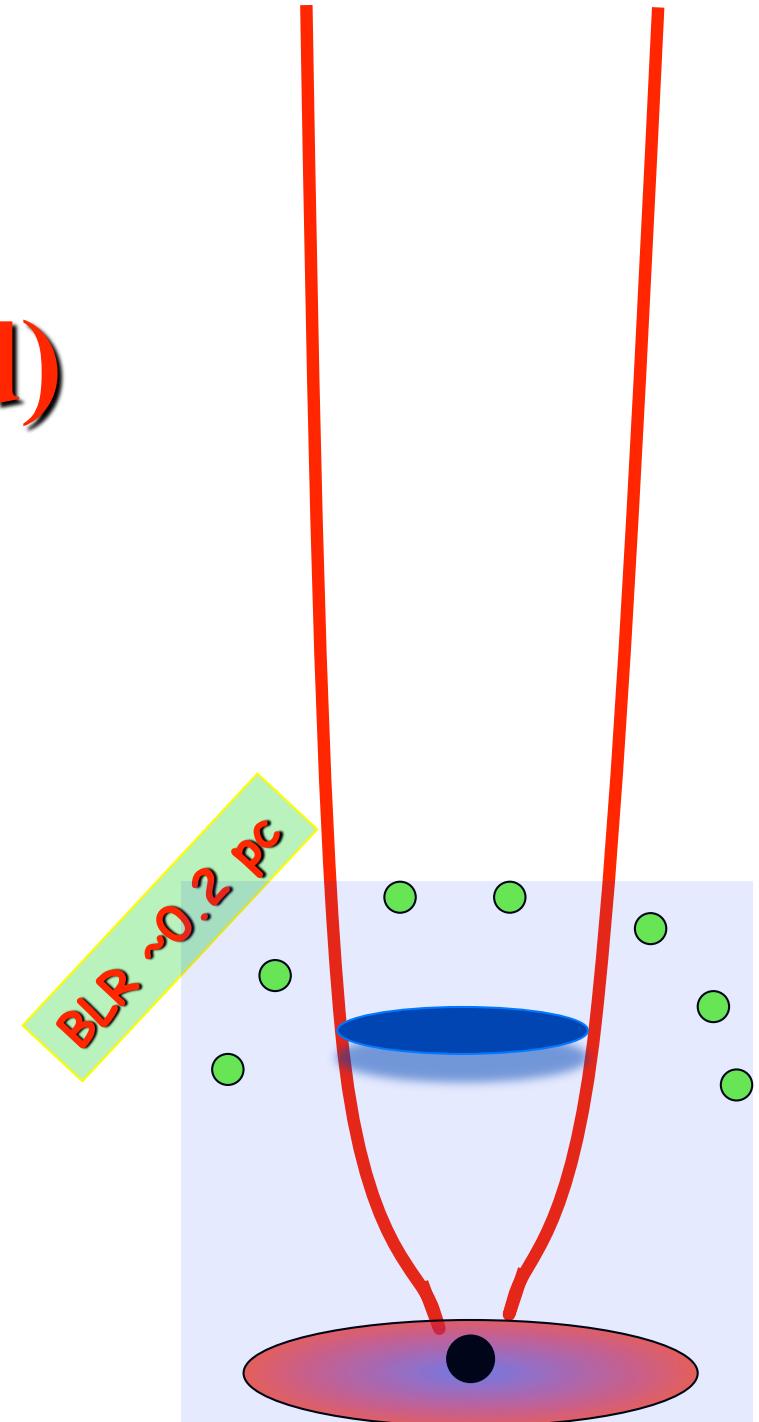
$L_d < 0.01 L_{Edd}$

# Weak blazars (BL Lacs)

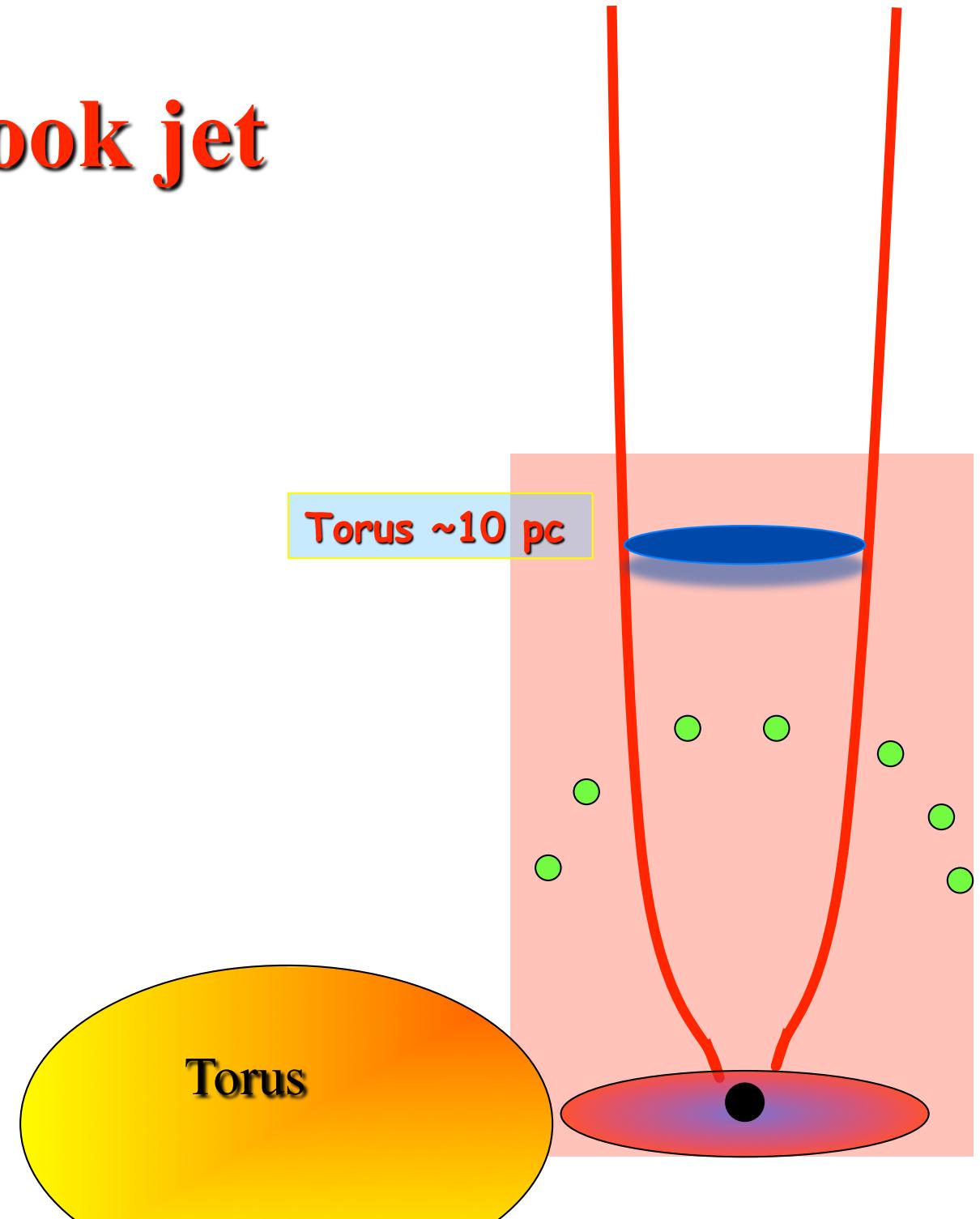


# A text-book jet (of the powerful kind)

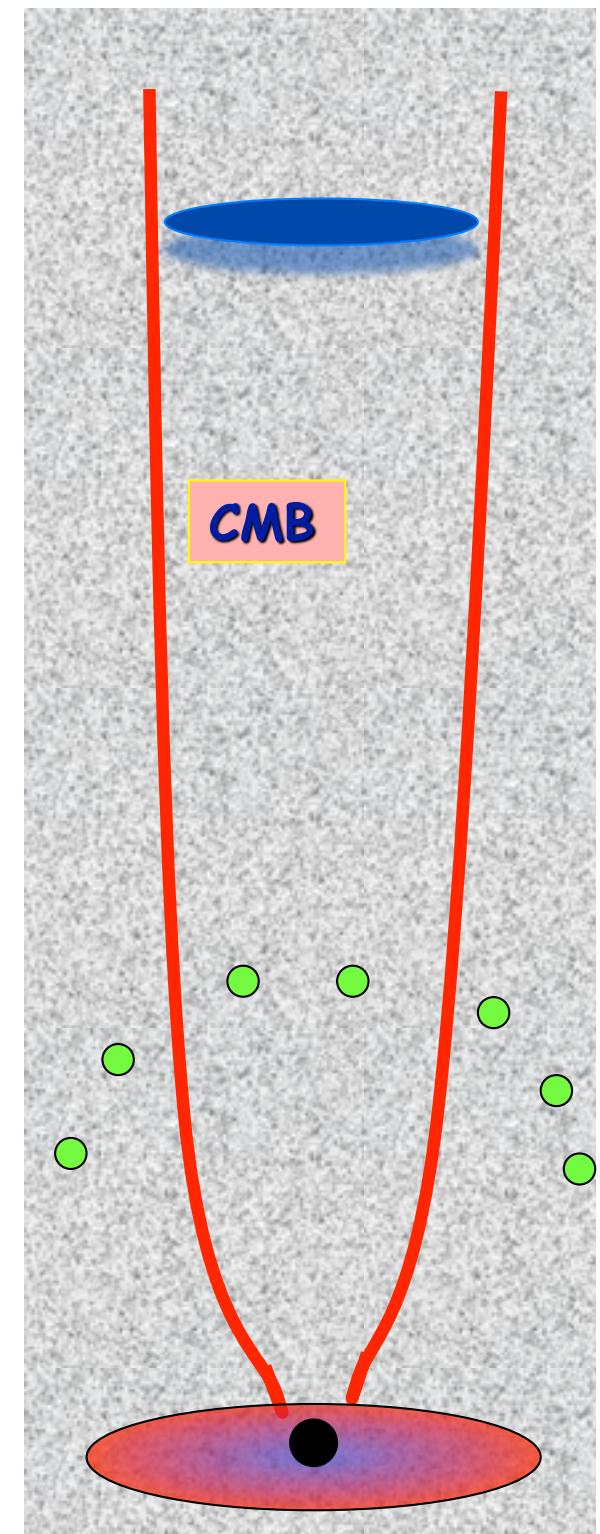
- $B \propto 1/R$
- $n \propto 1/R^2$
- $N(\gamma)$  from continuity equation (injection and cooling)

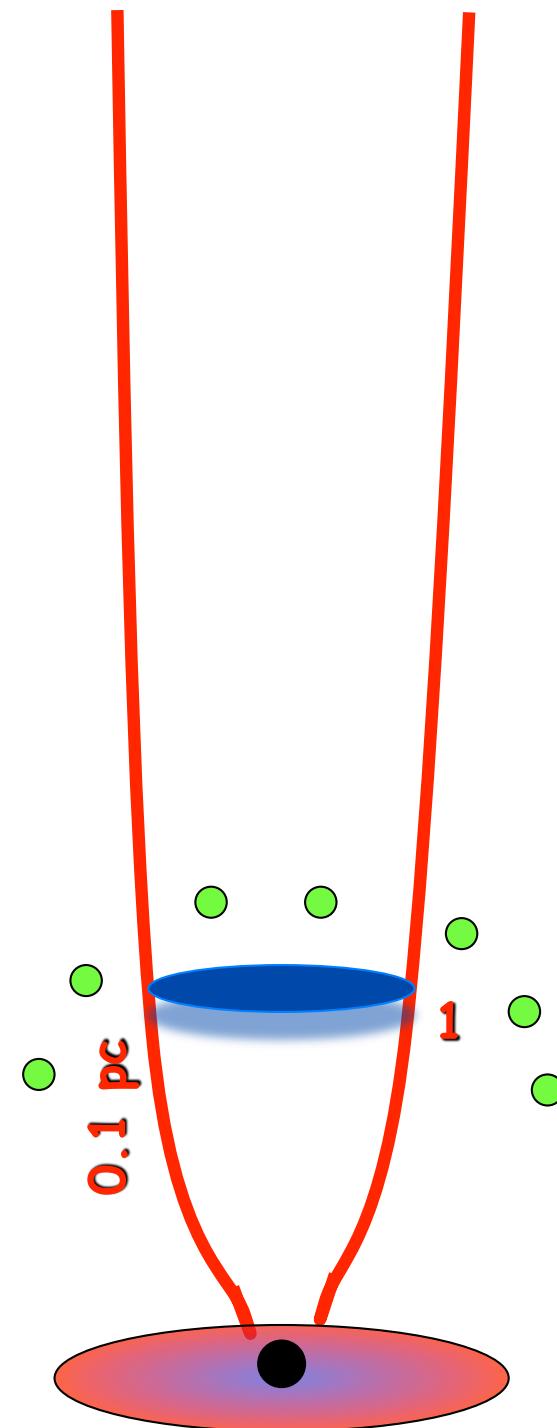
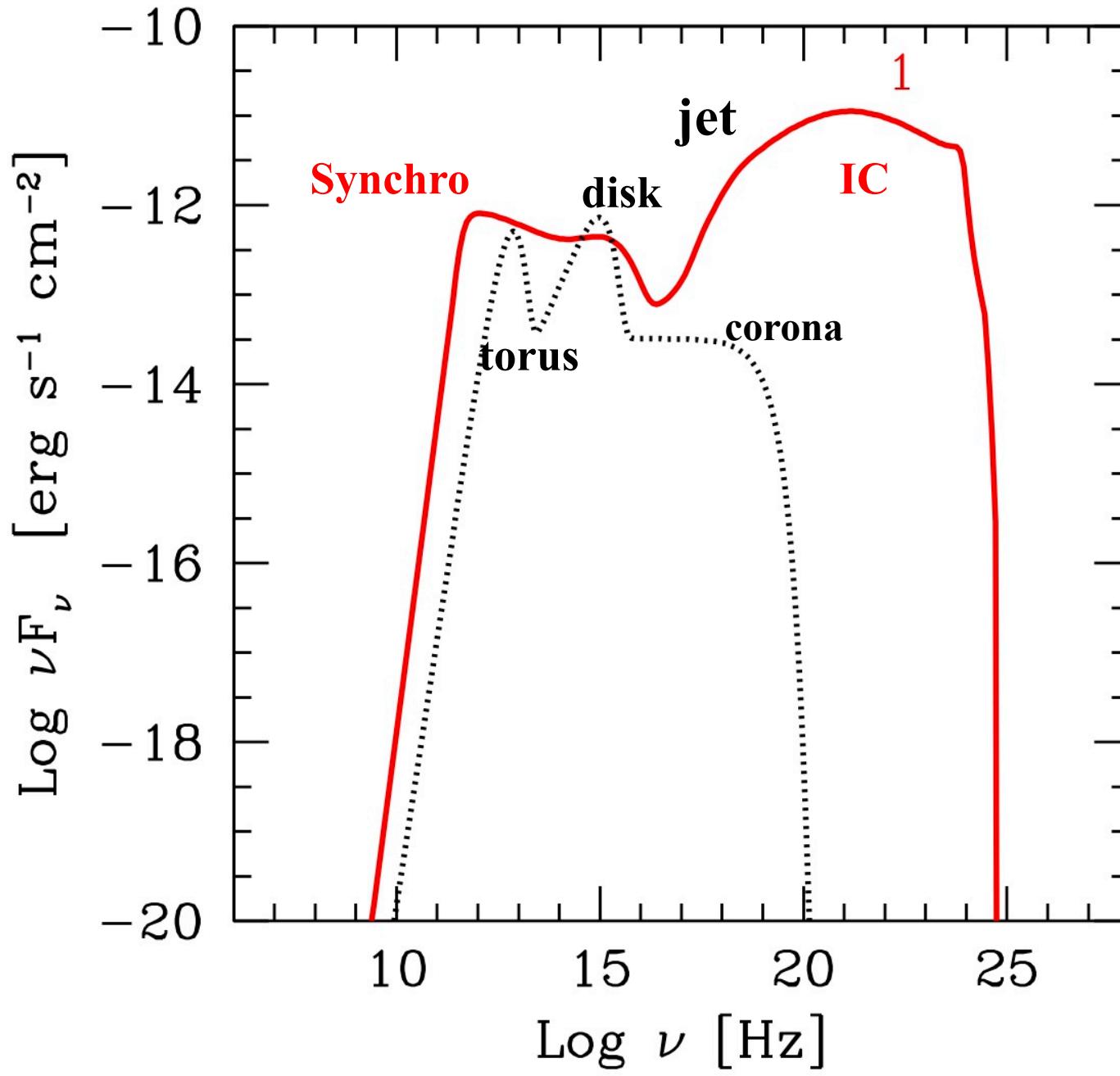


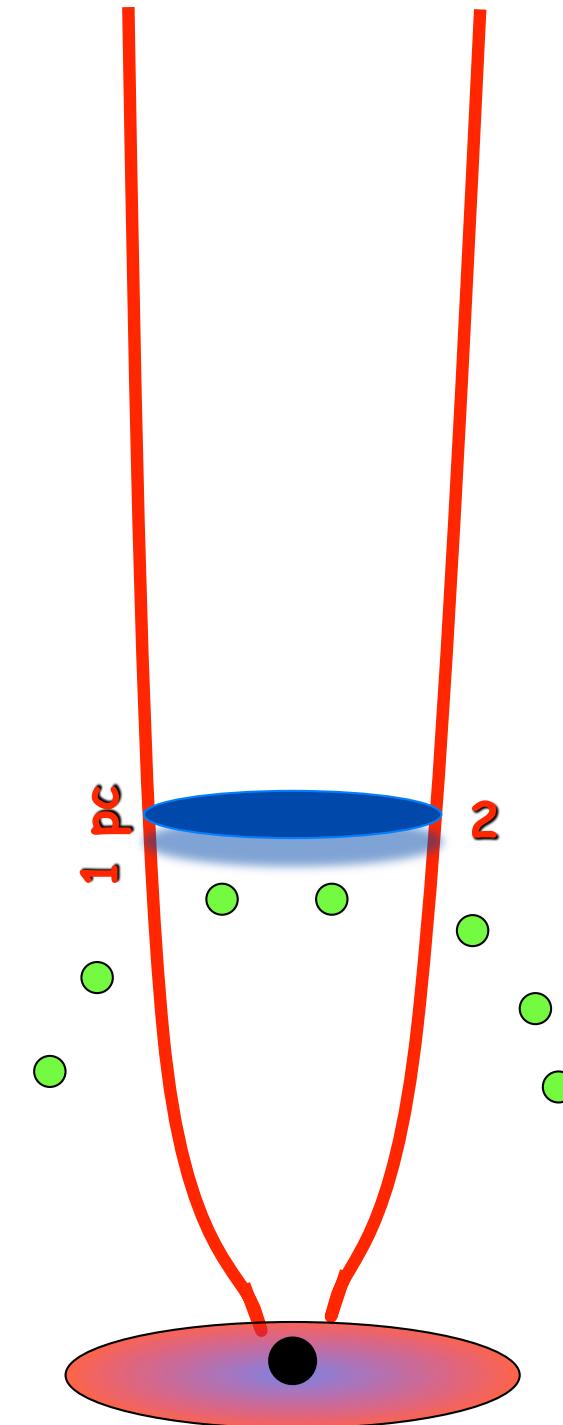
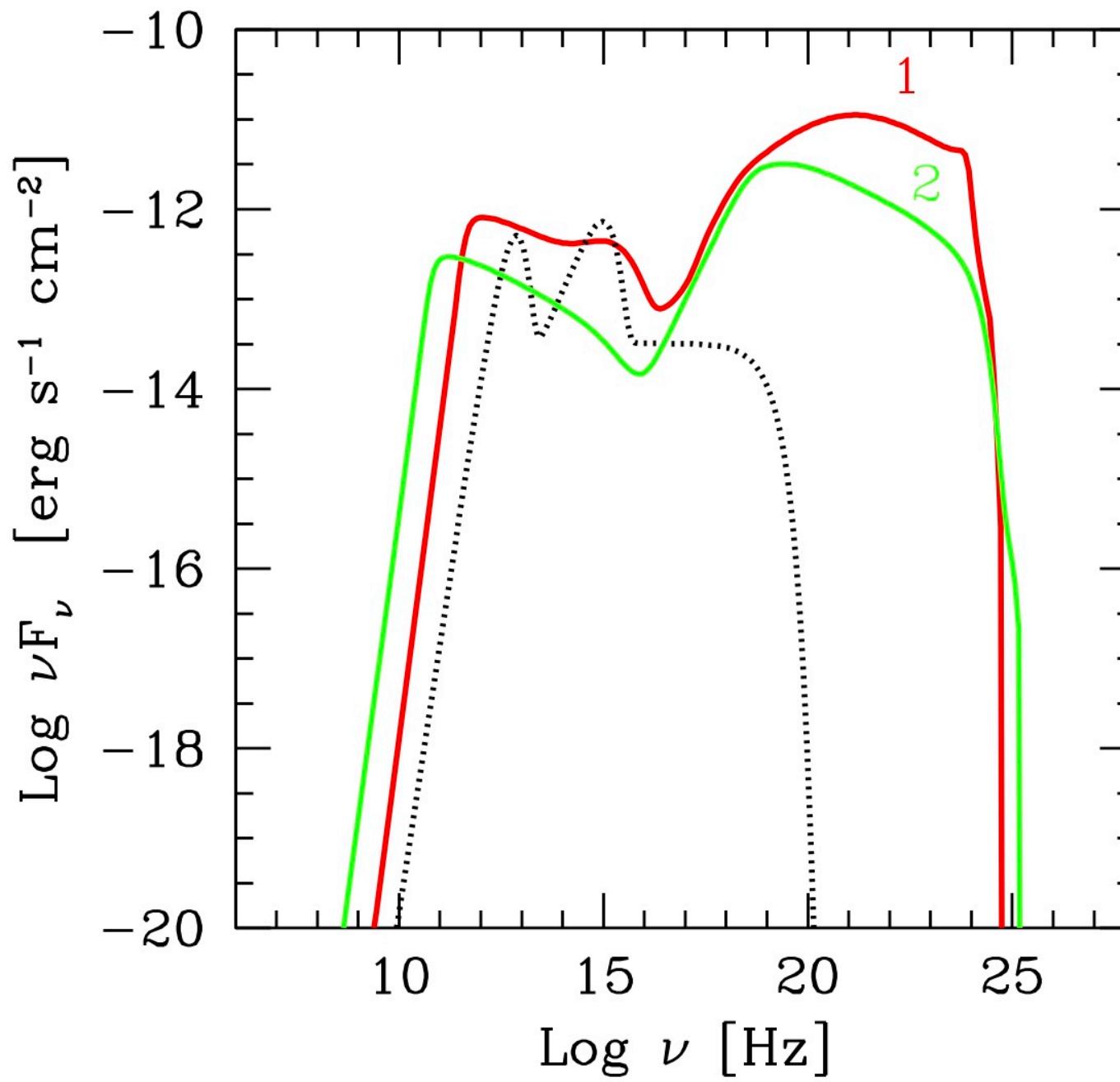
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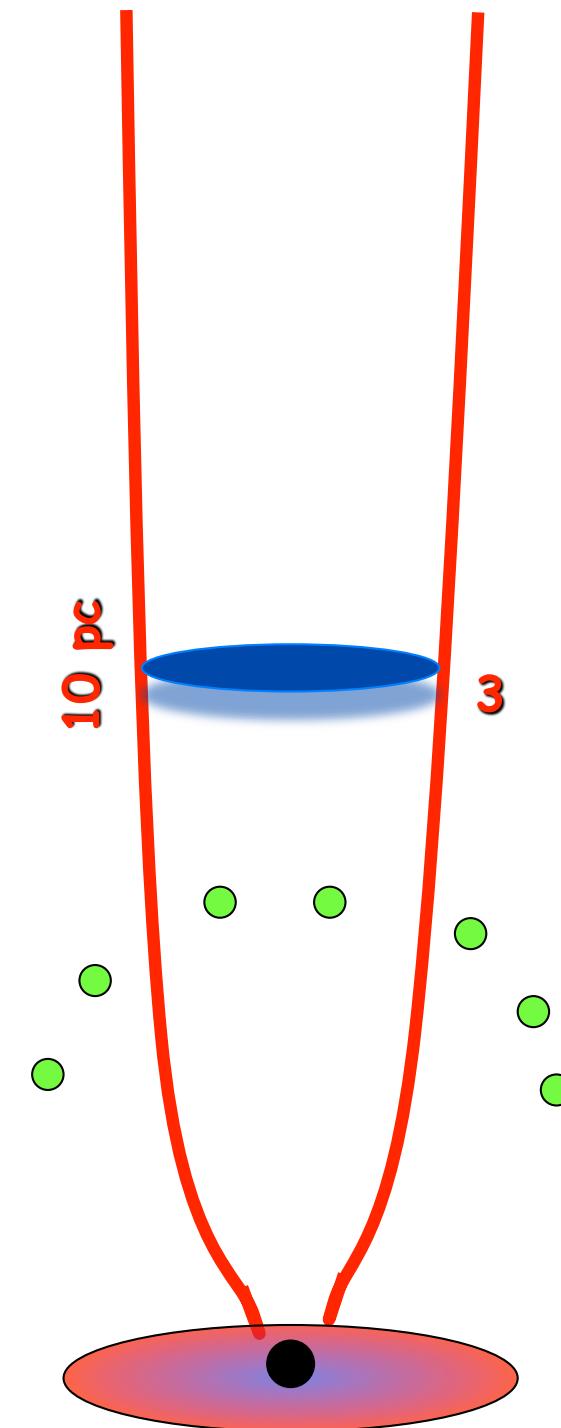
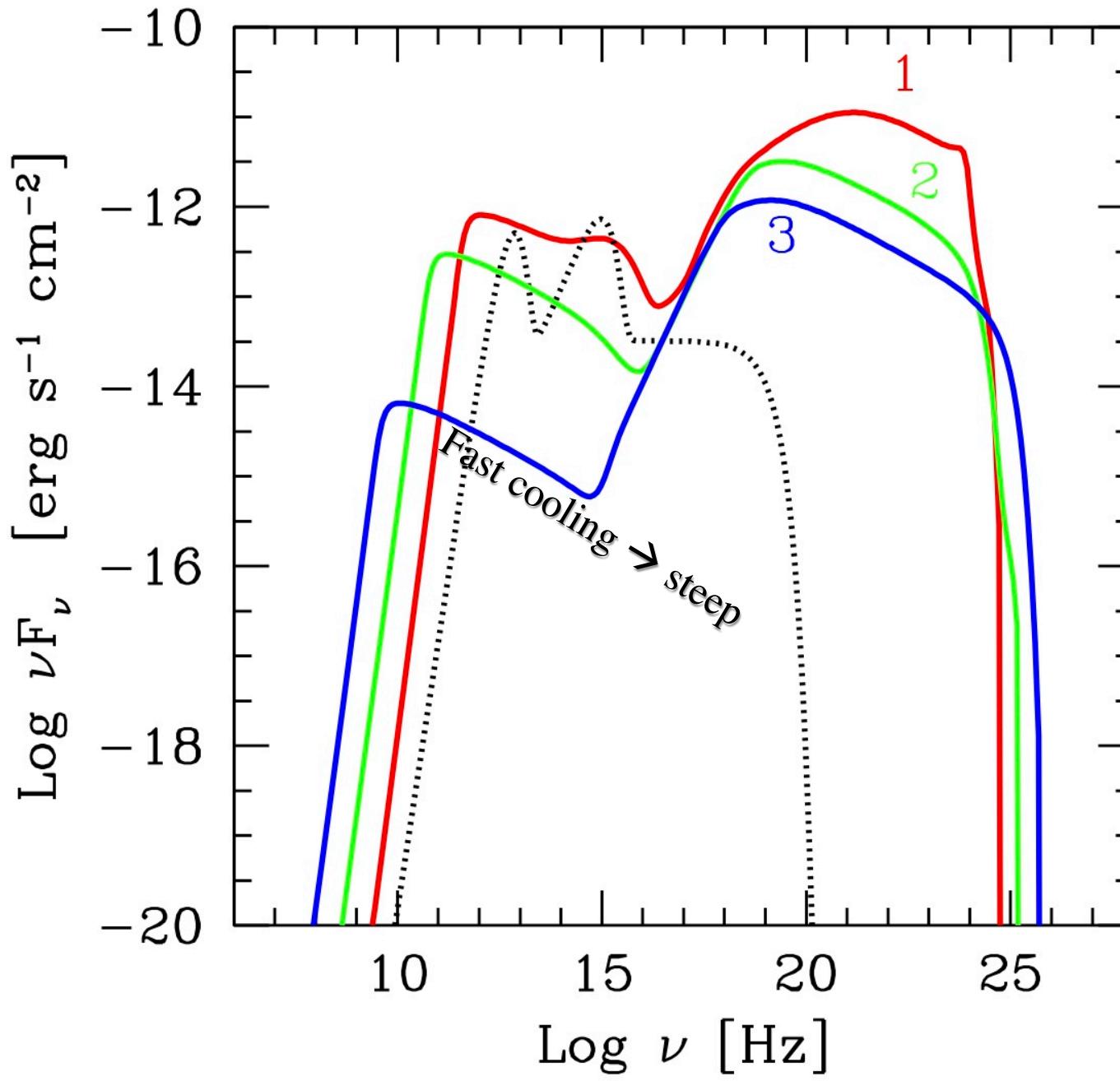


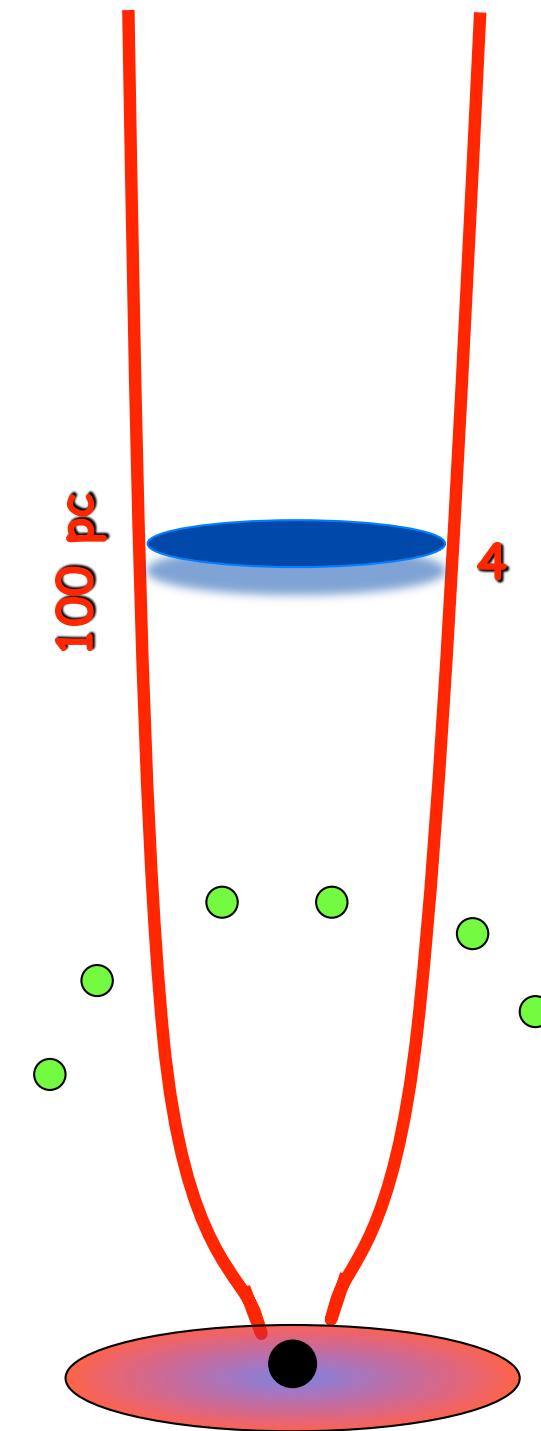
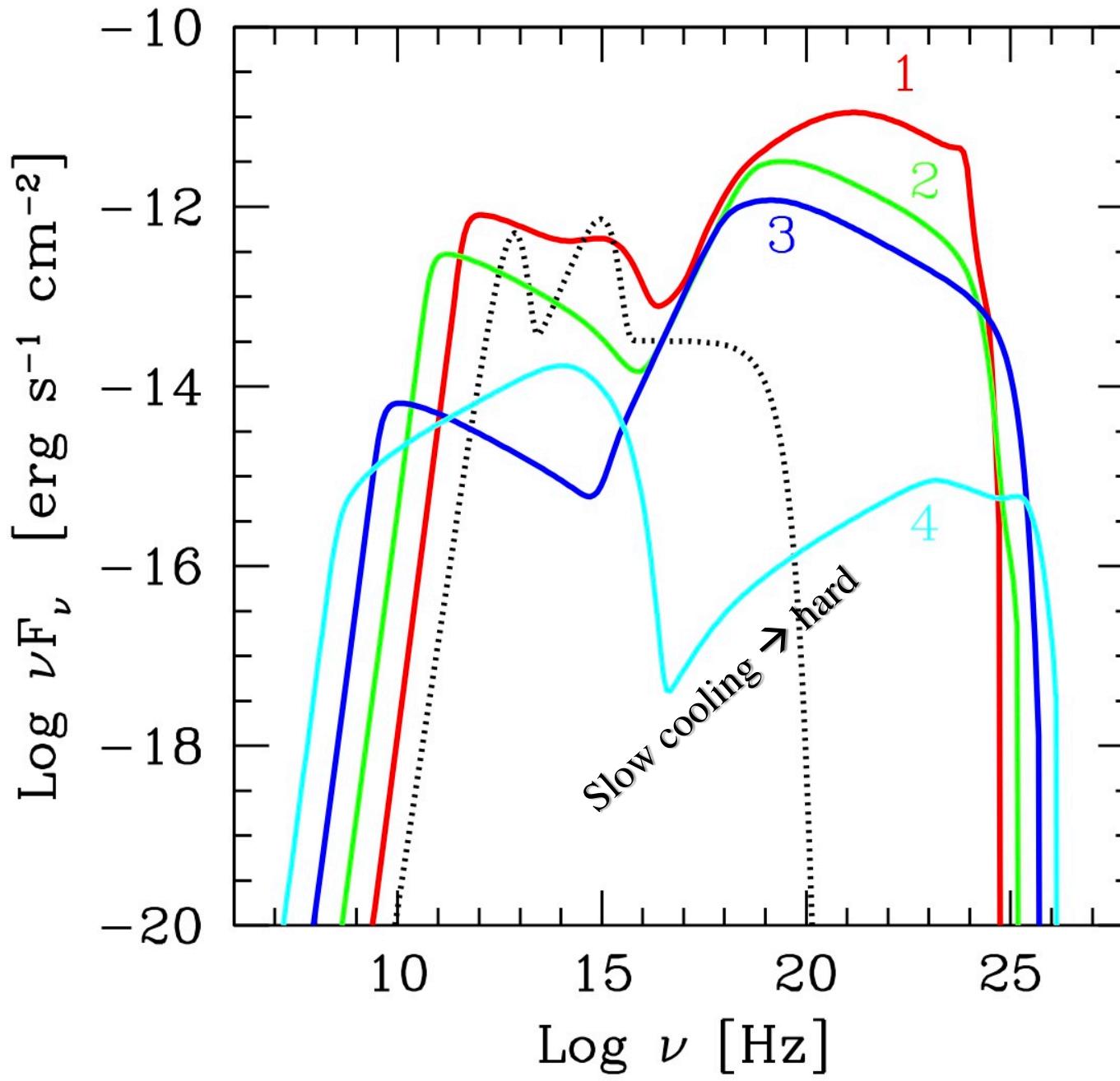
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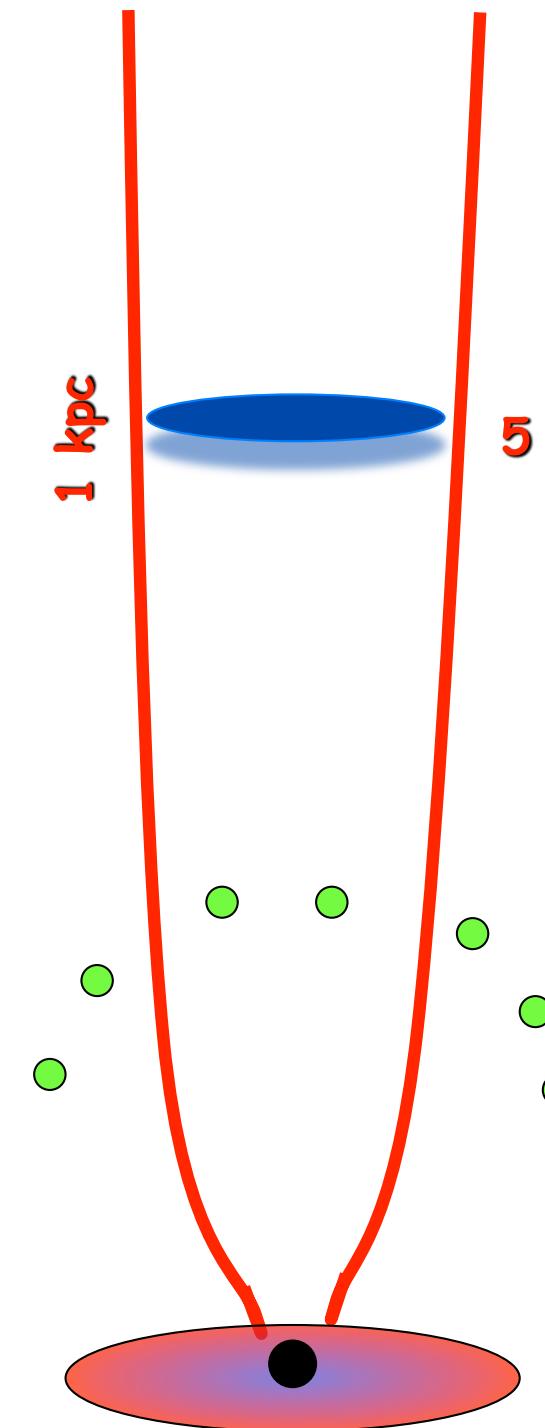
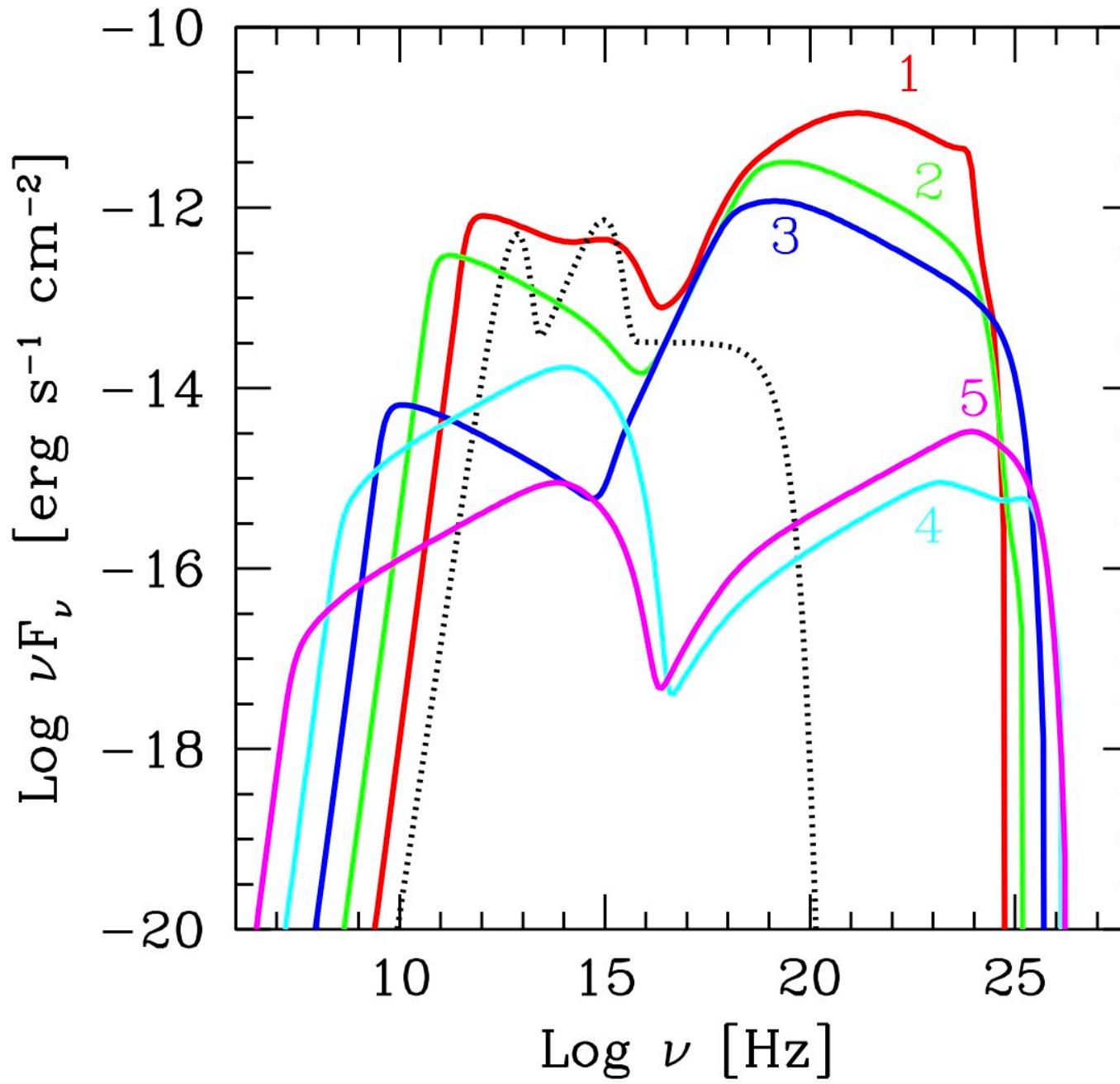


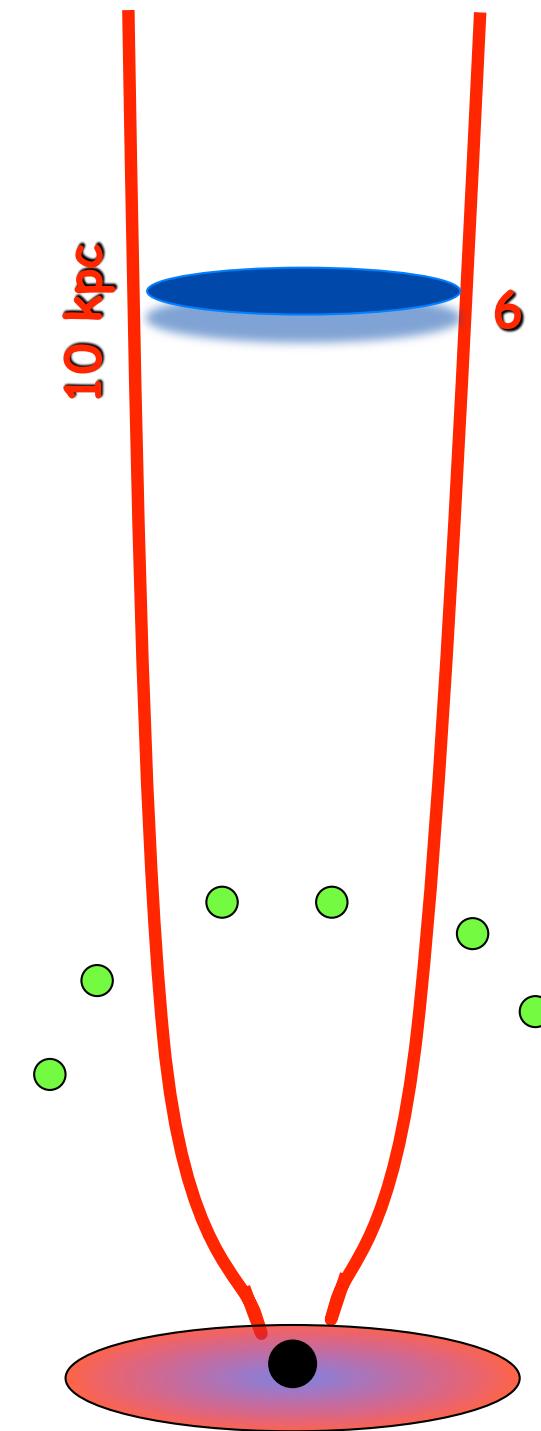
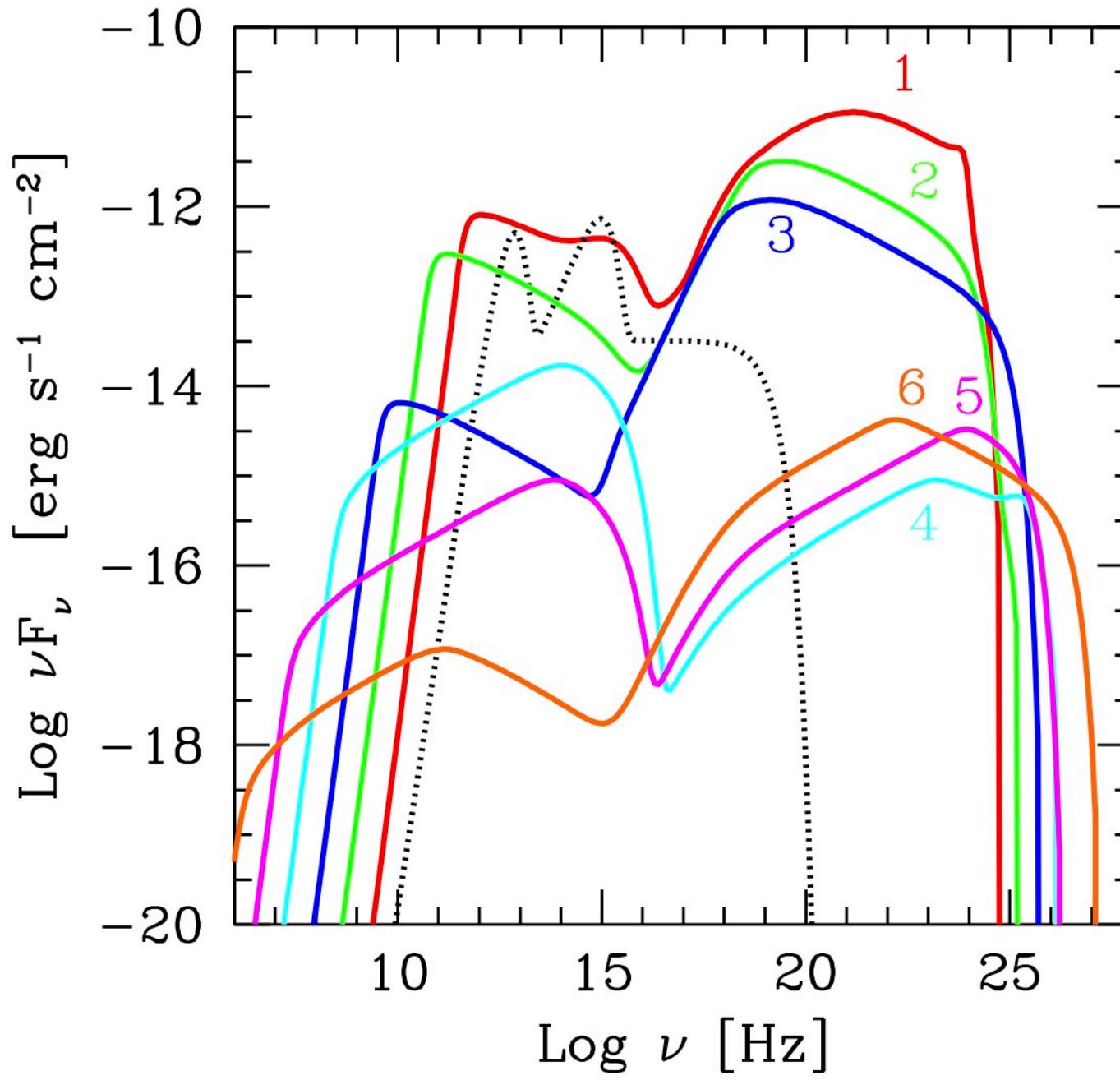


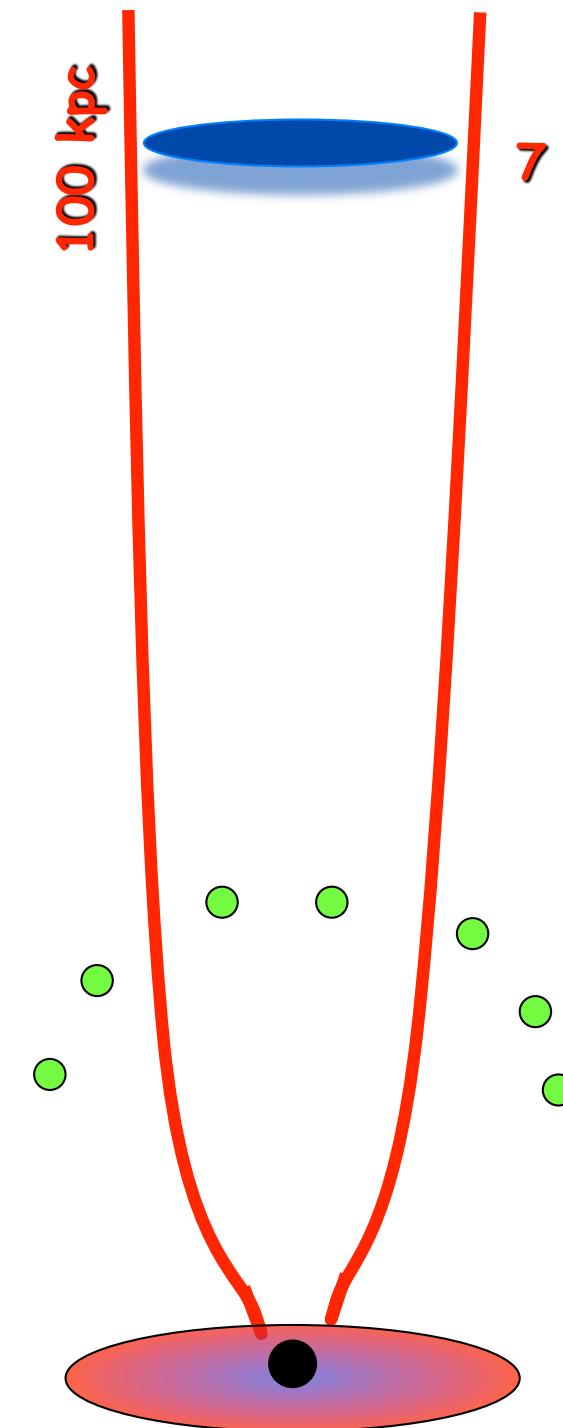
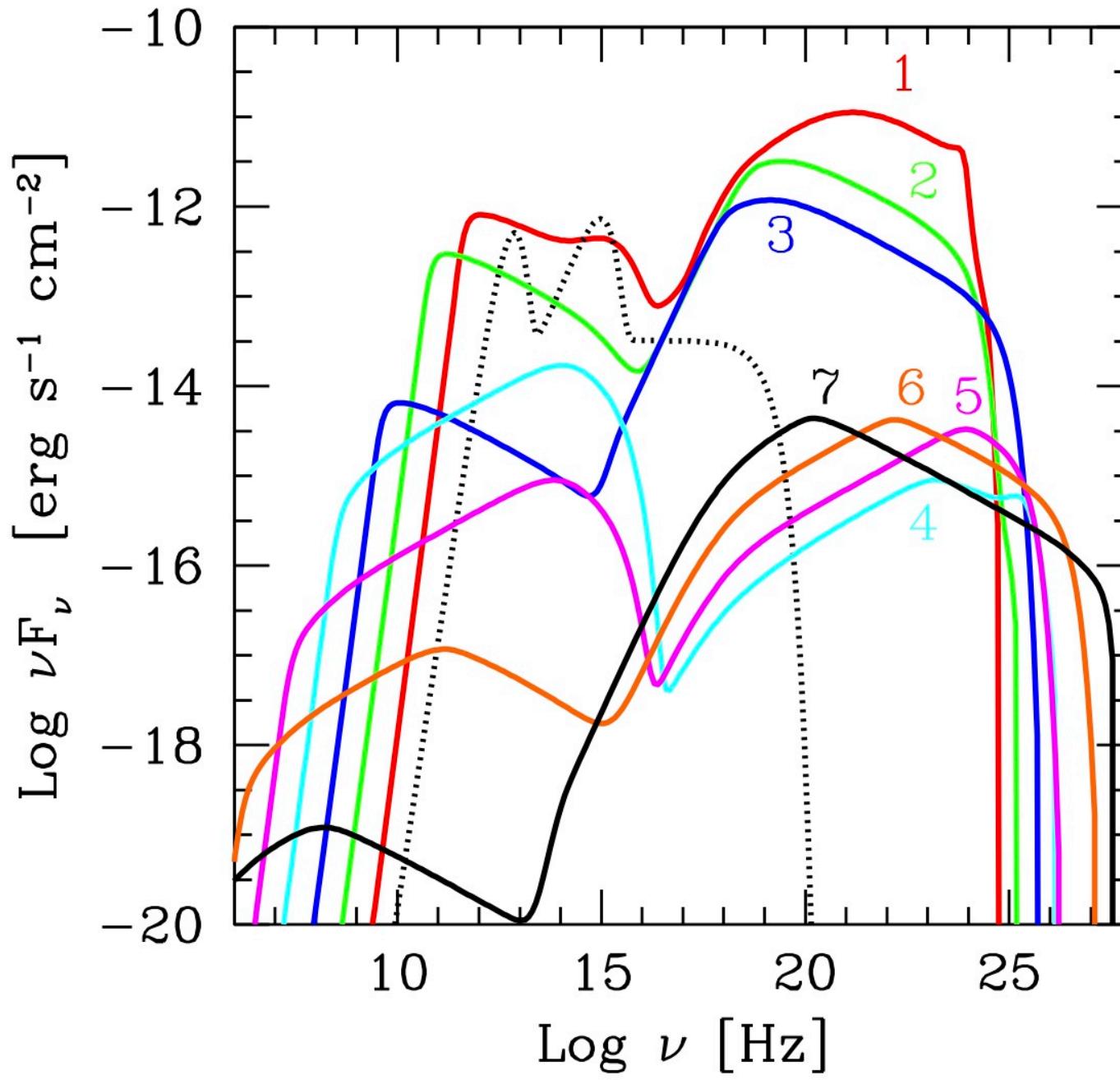


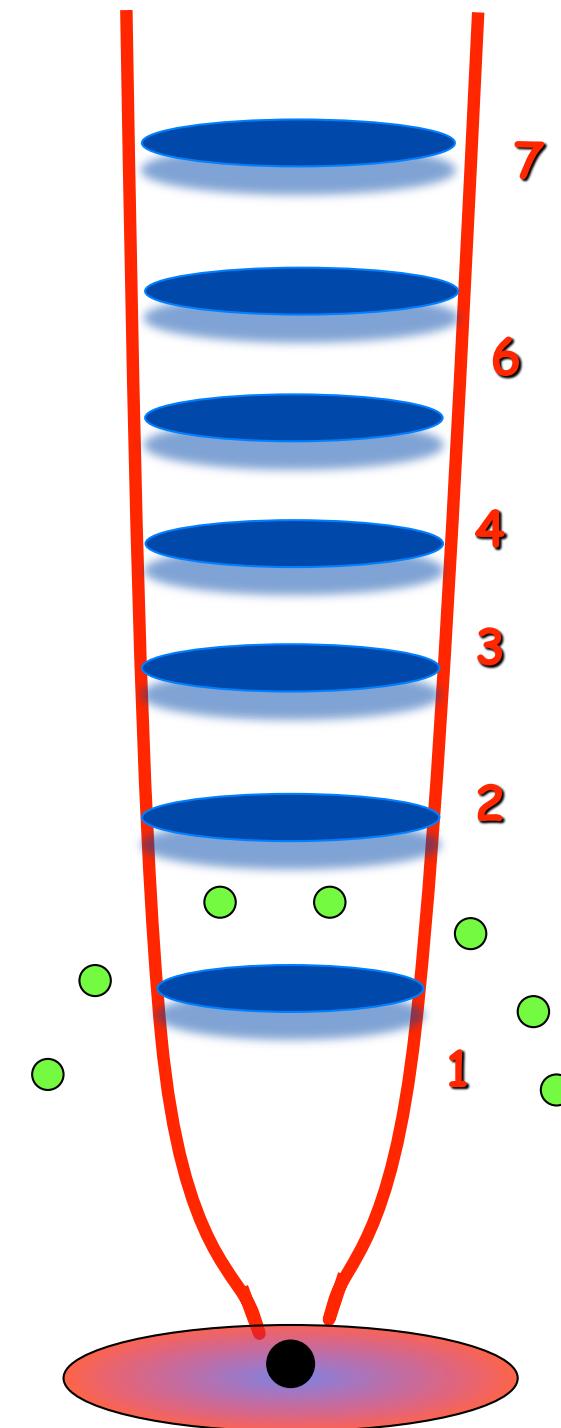
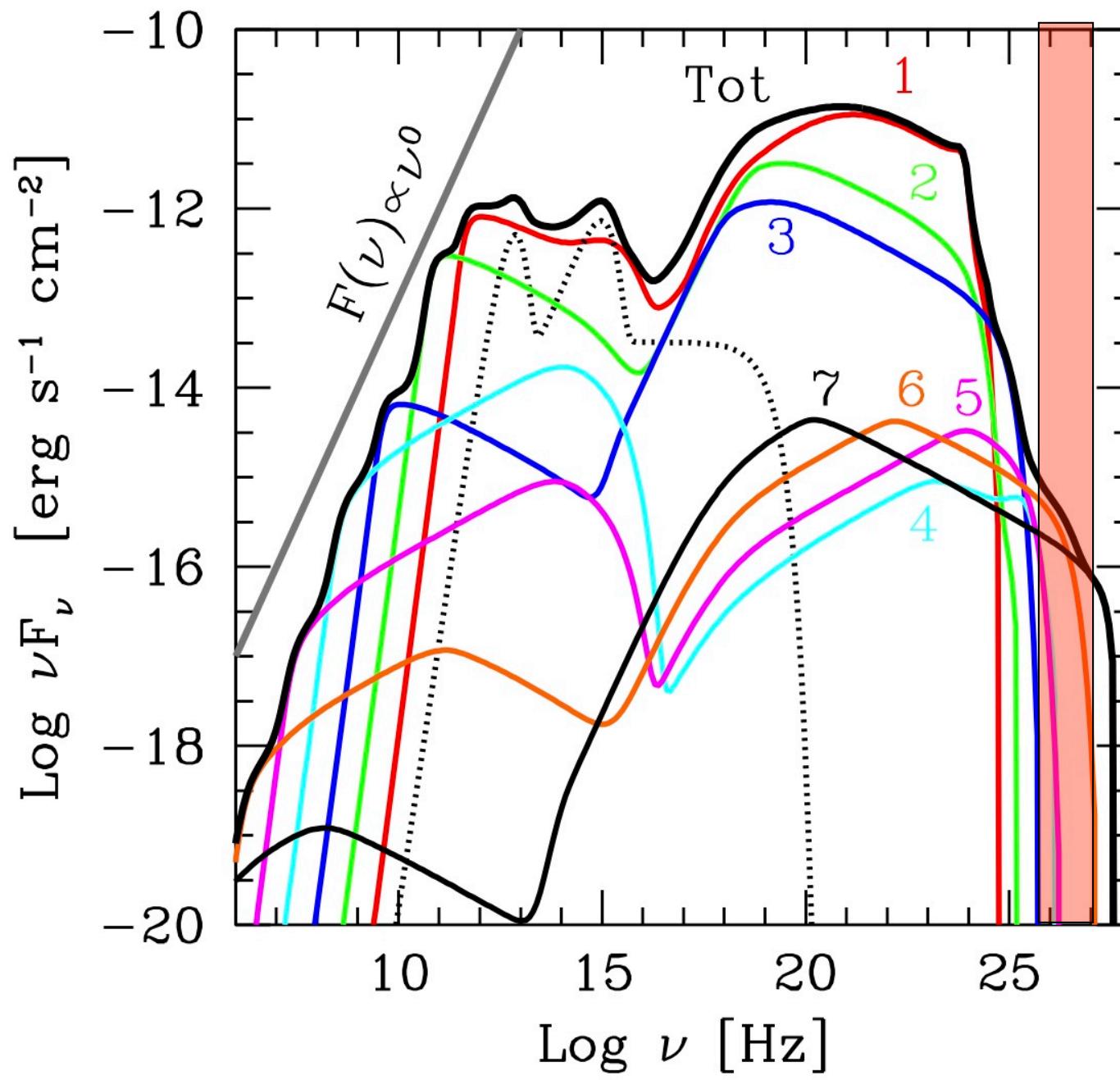




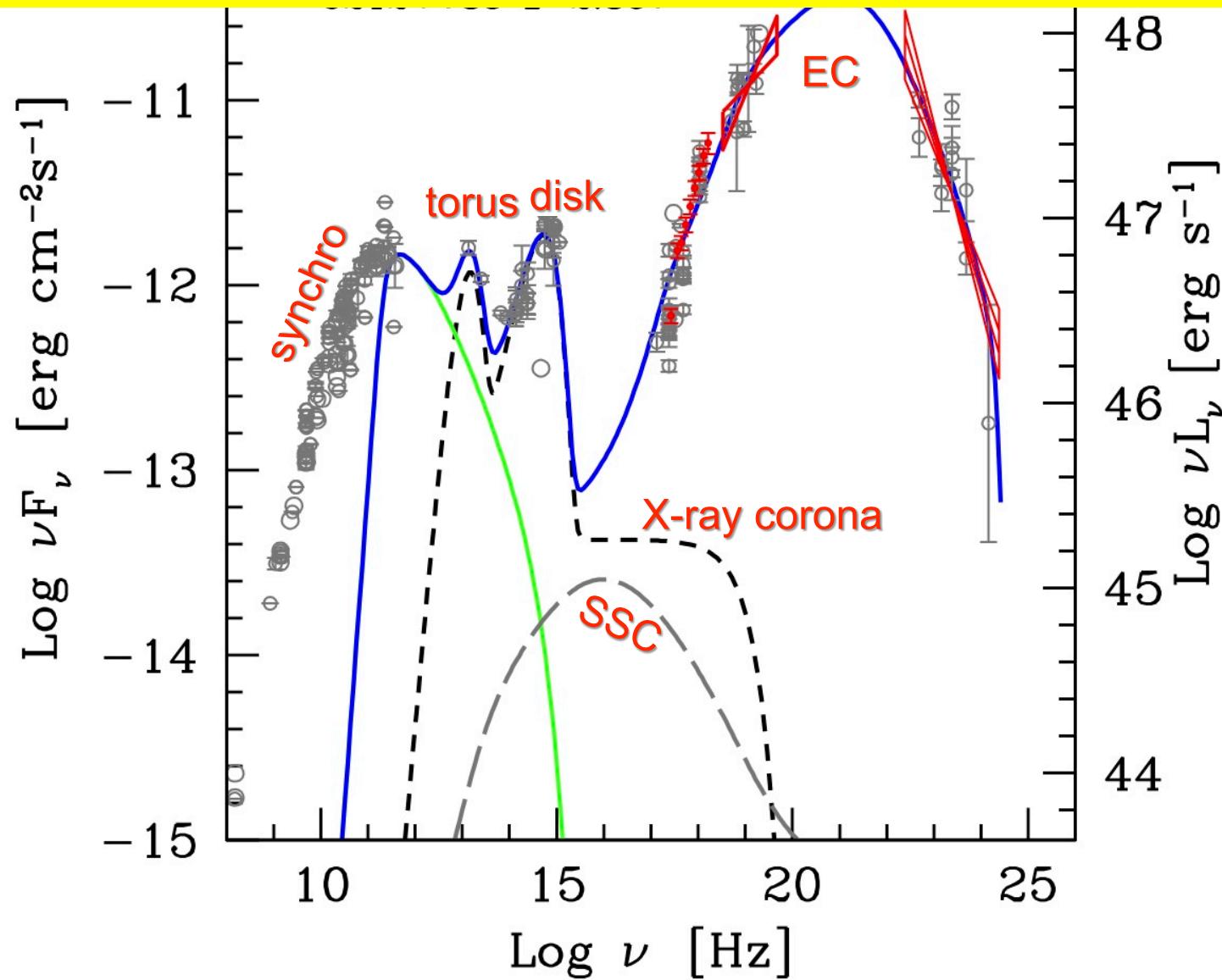






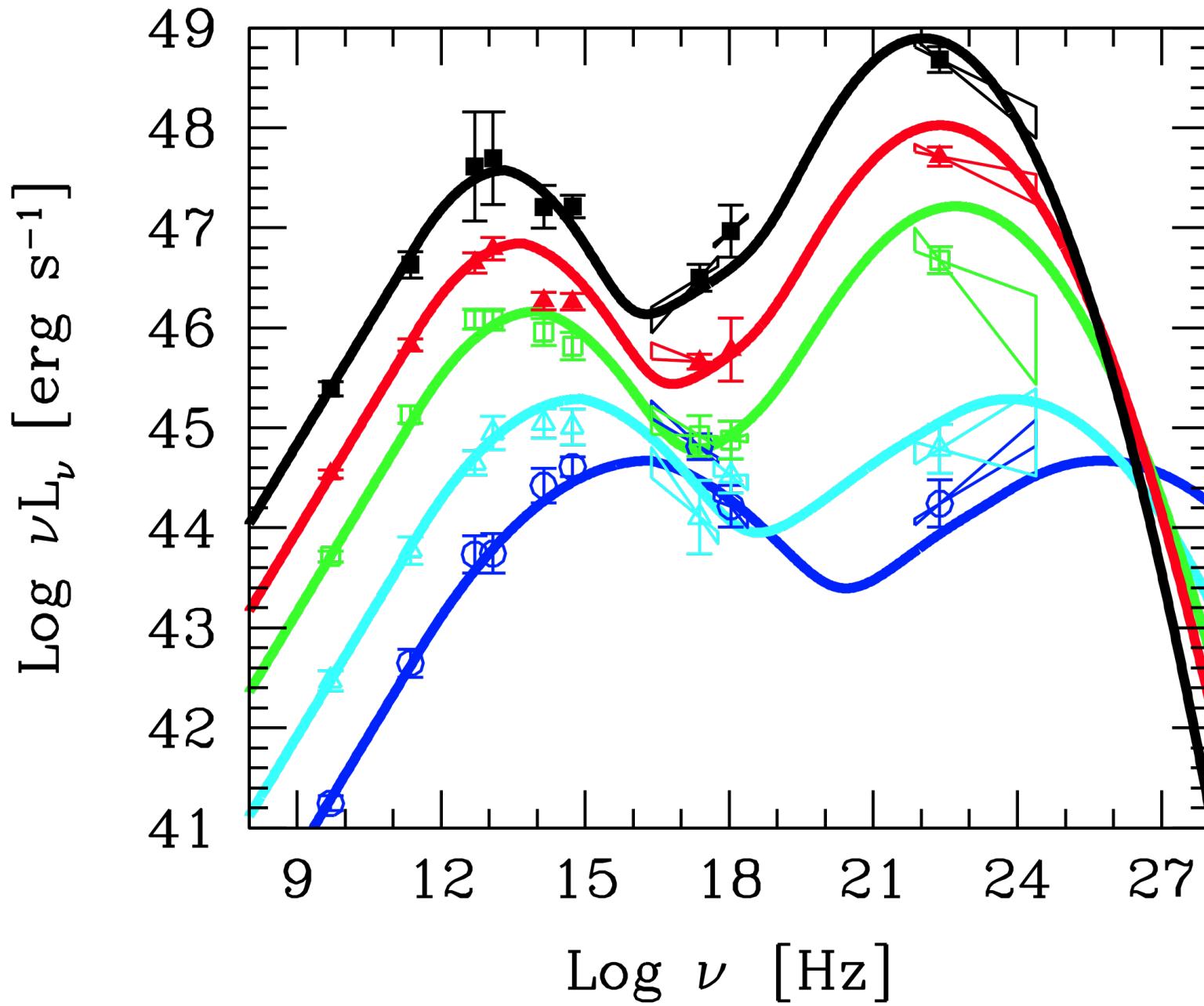


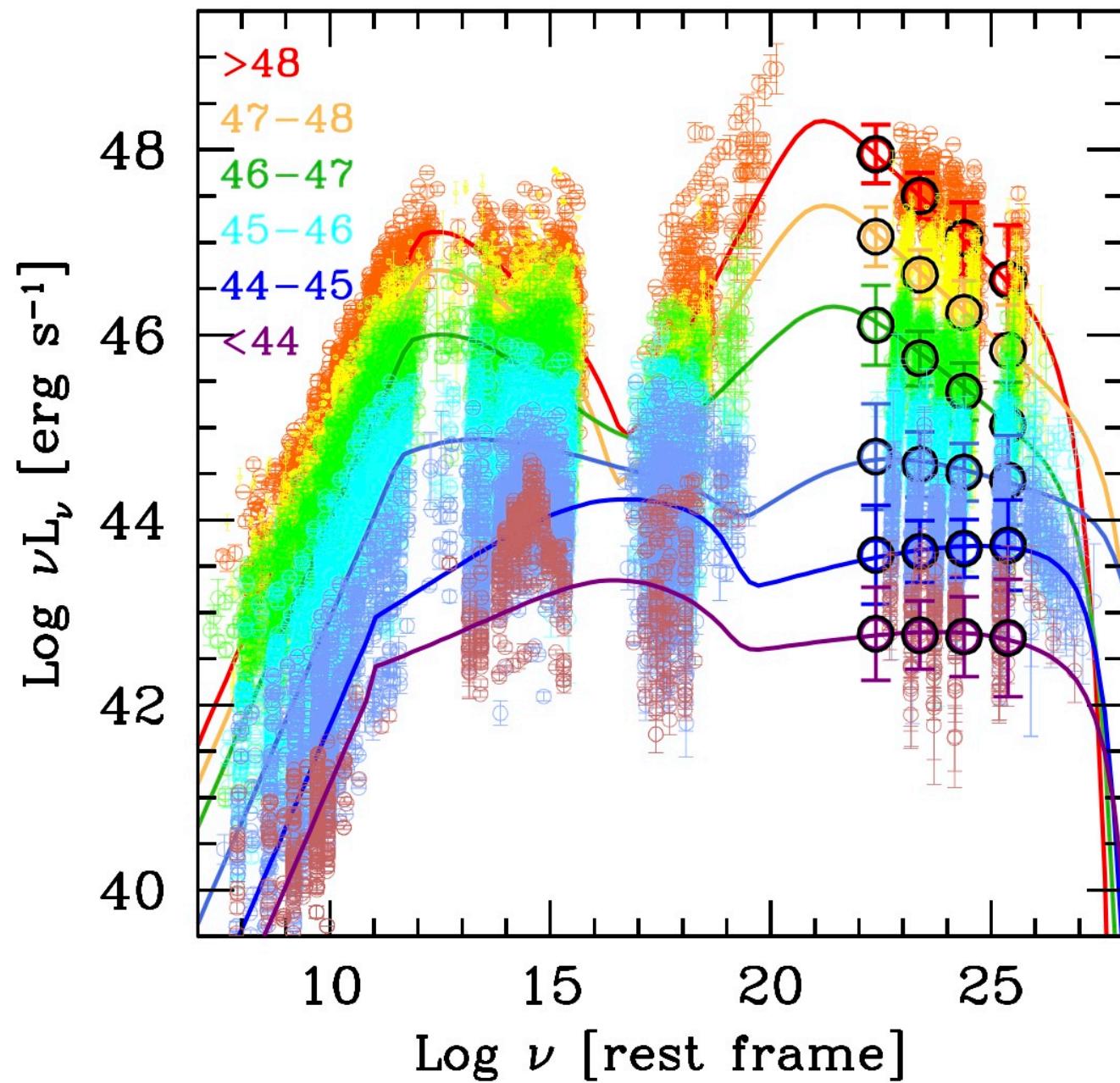
In powerful blazars at  $z > 2$  the accretion disk is well visible. Also the torus is visible.



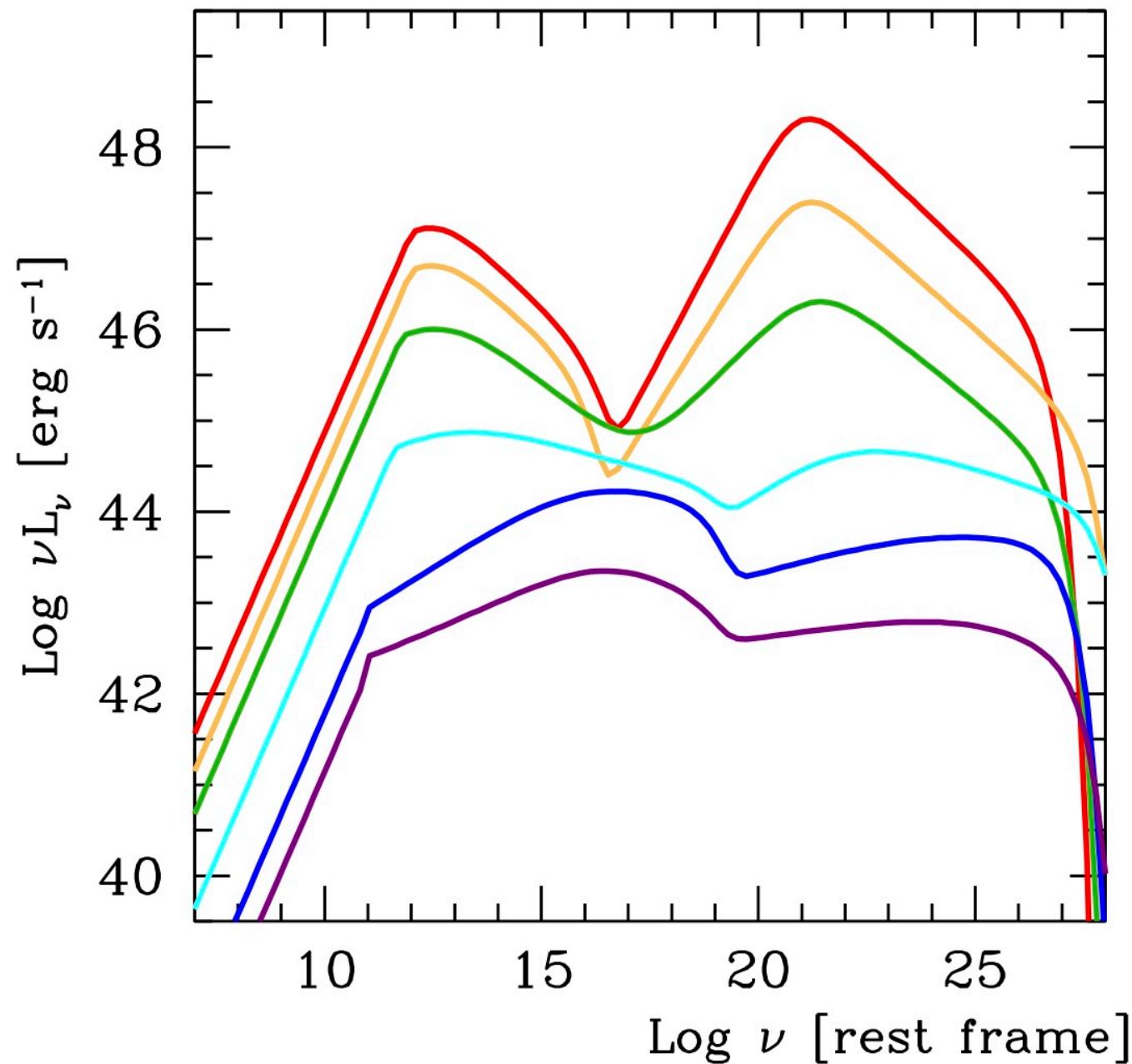
1992+: EGRET - Most of power of blazars emitted in  $\gamma$ -rays

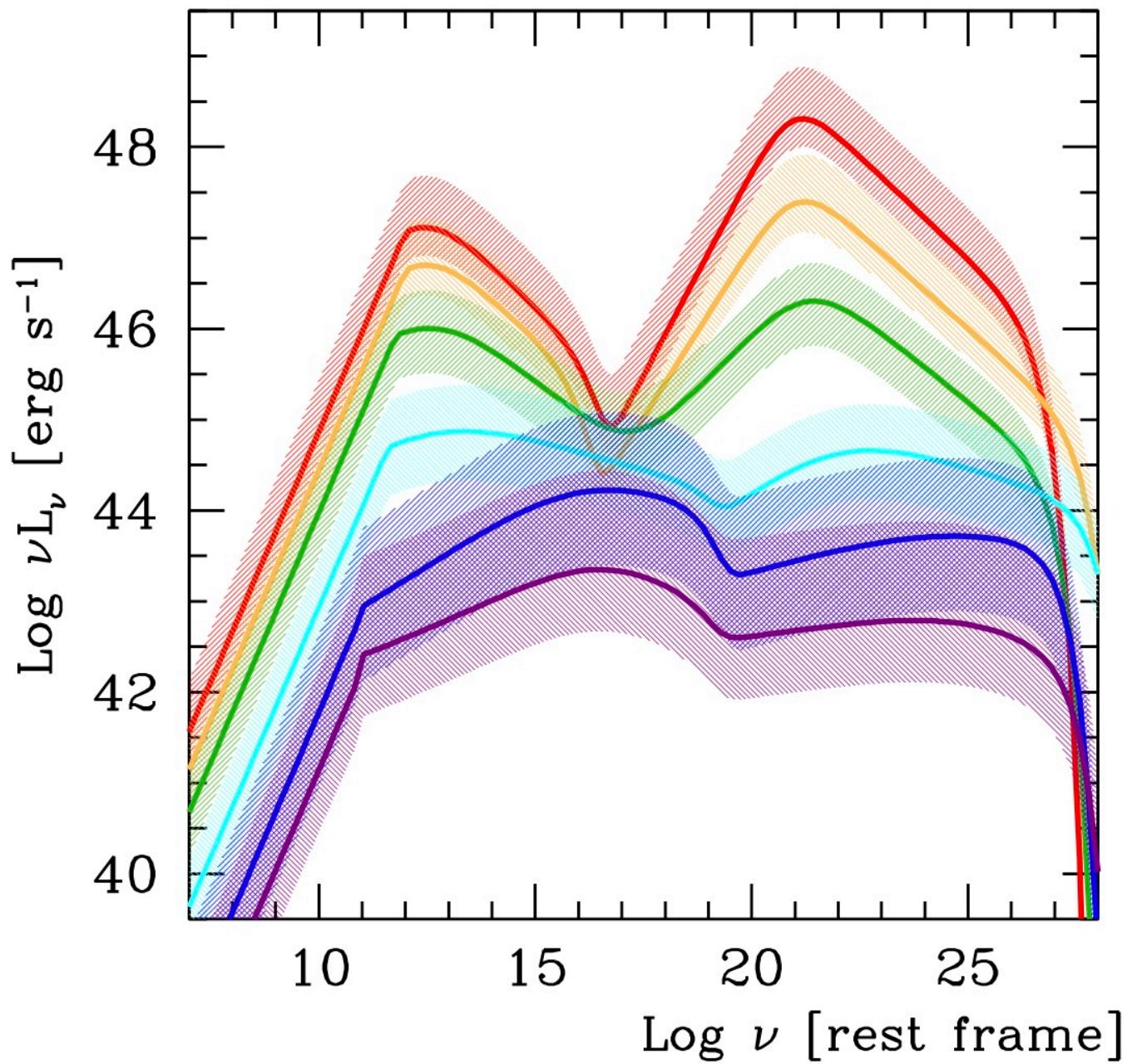
Fossati et al. 1998; Donato et al. 2001





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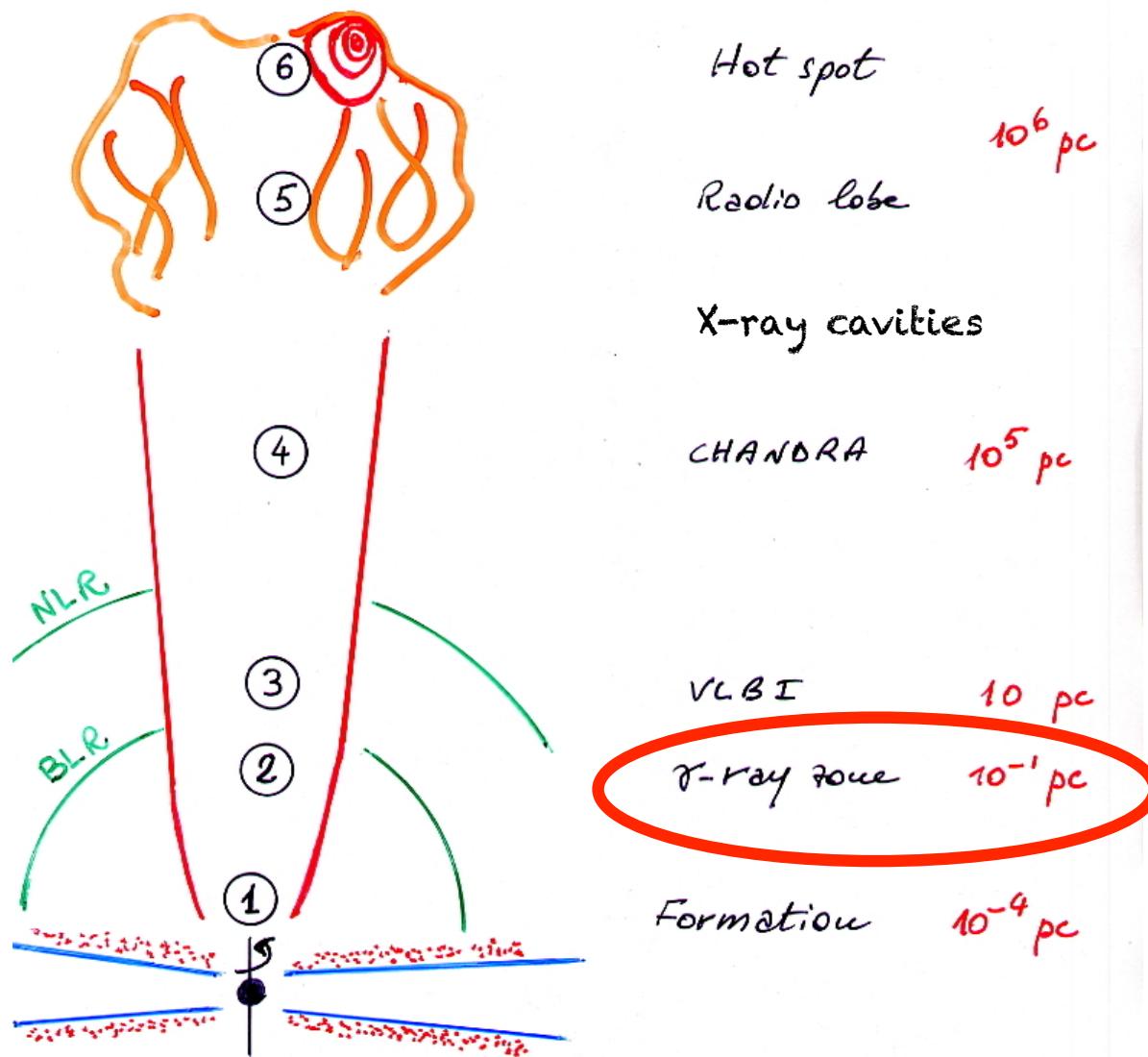




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# The power of jets

# Power of jets



# jet power and accretion luminosity

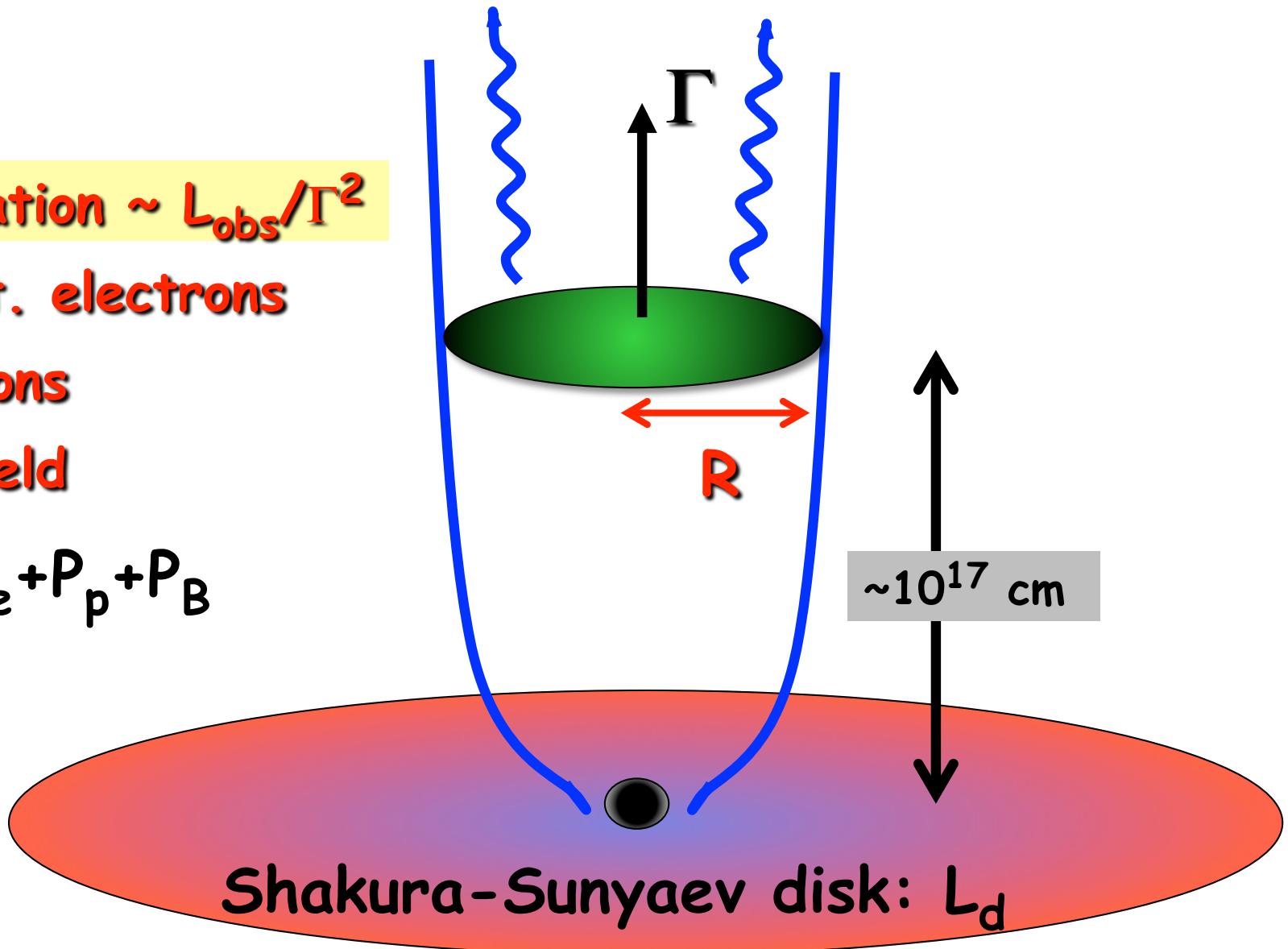
$$P_r = \text{radiation} \sim L_{\text{obs}} / \Gamma^2$$

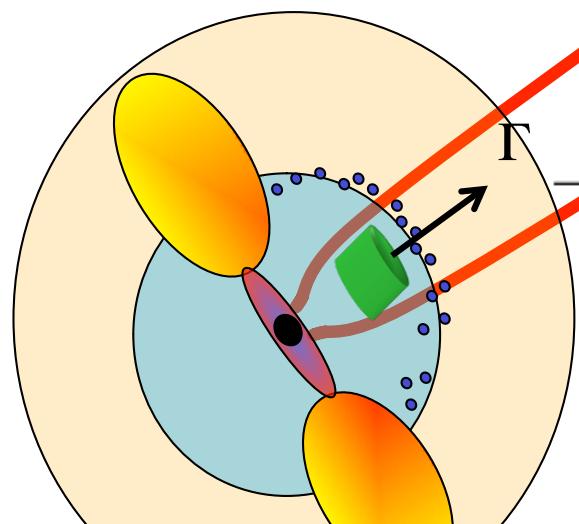
$P_e$  = relat. electrons

$P_p$  = protons

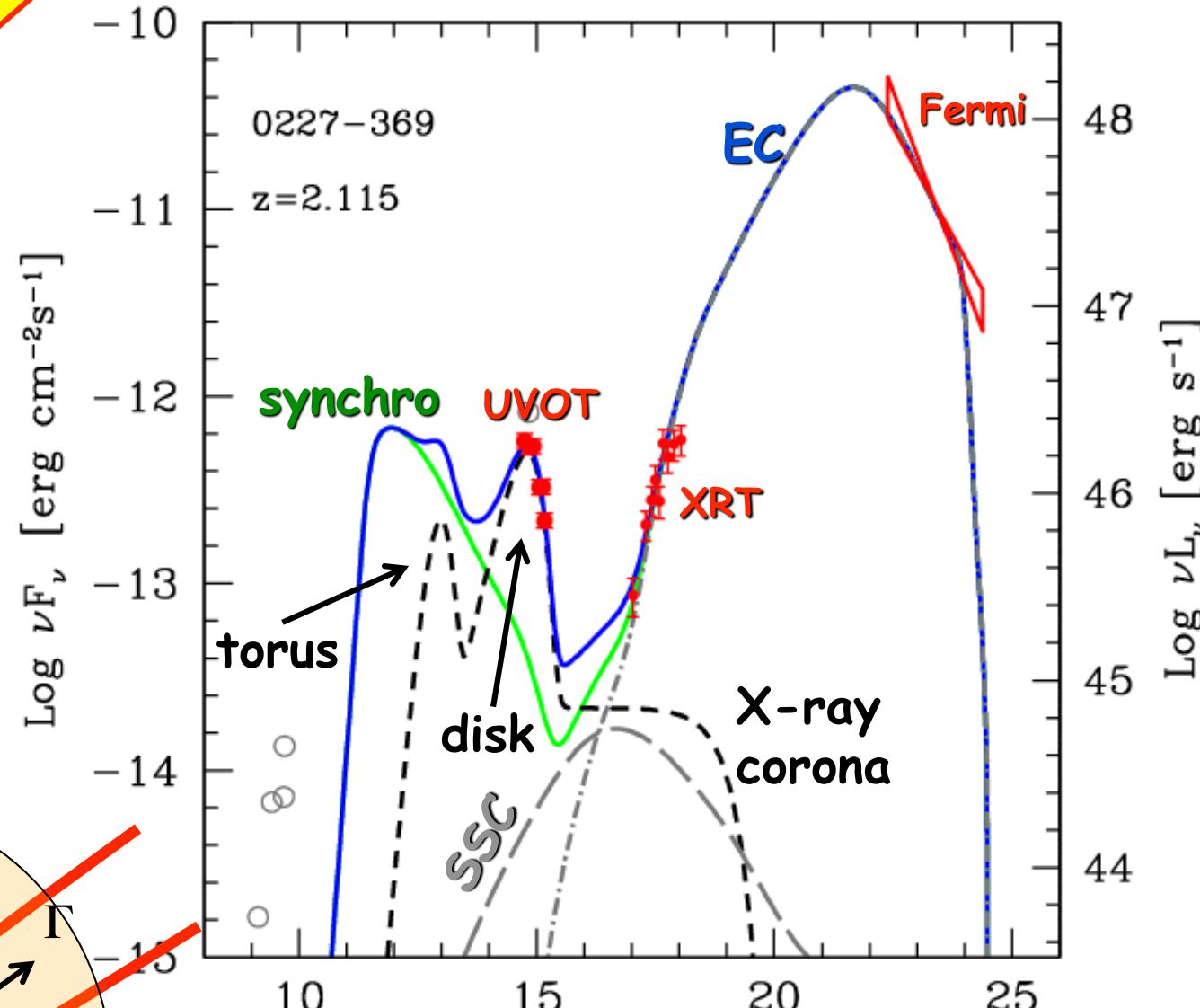
$P_B$  = B-field

$$P_{\text{jet}} = P_e + P_p + P_B$$



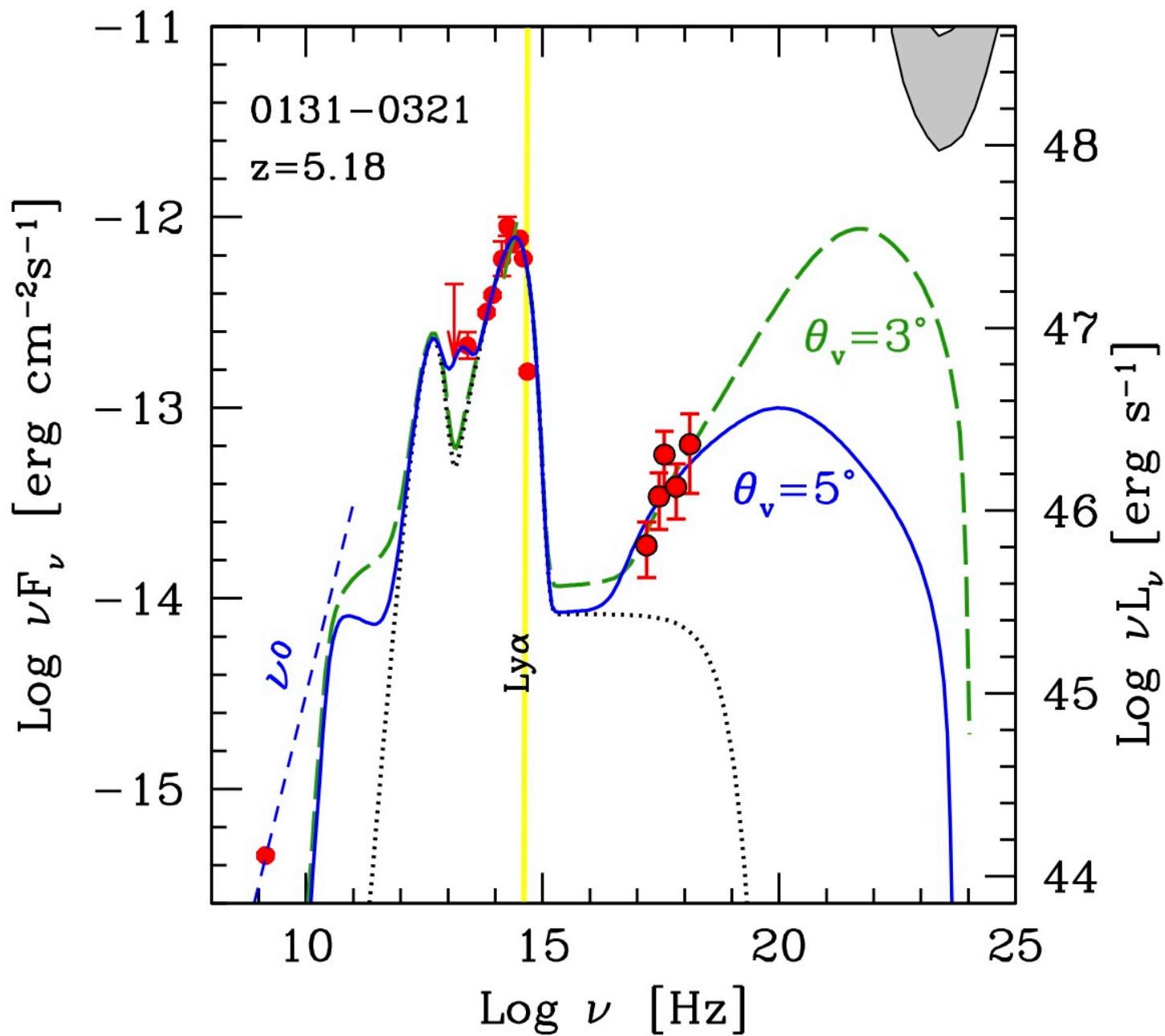


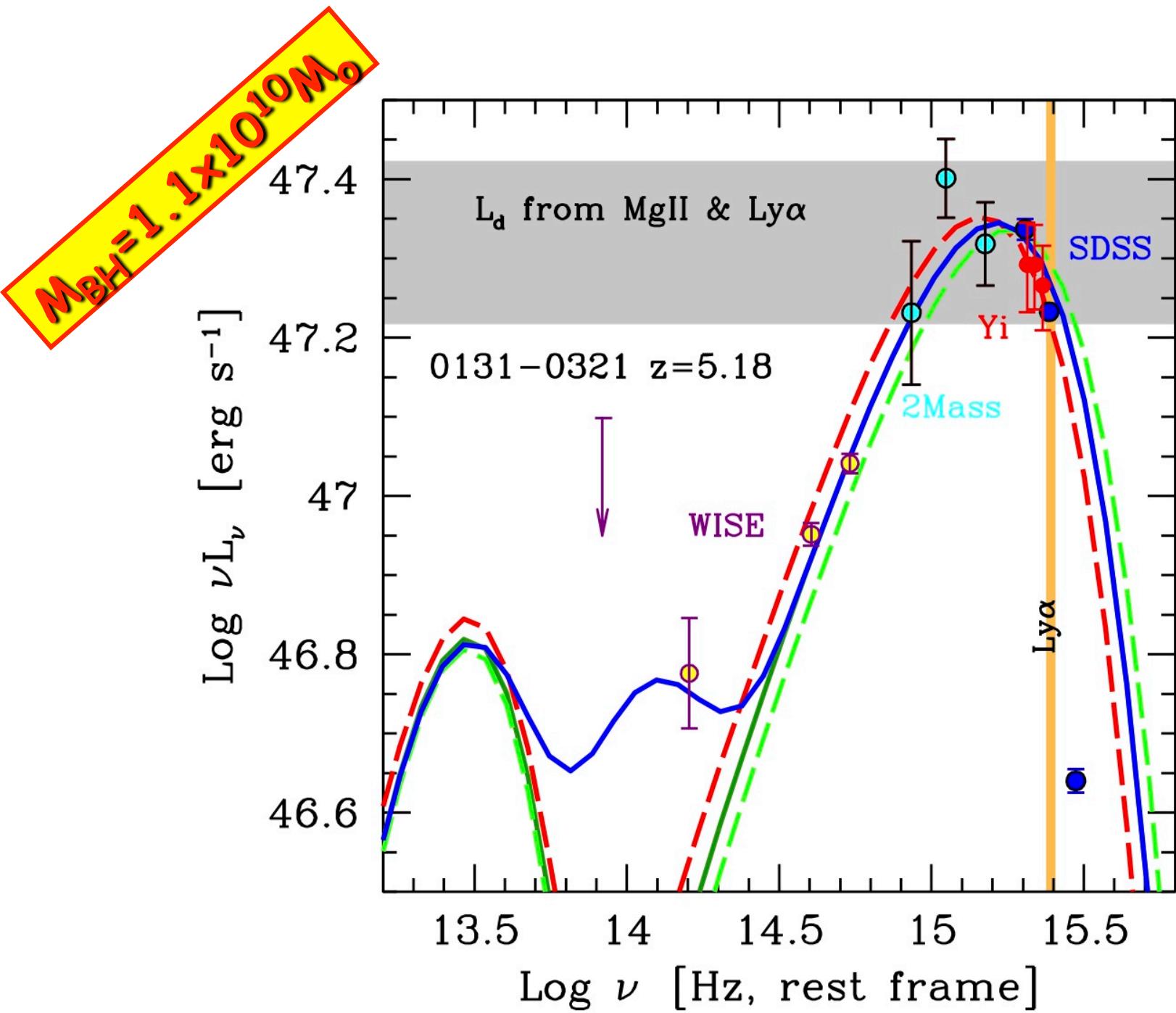
$M_{\text{BH}} = 2 \times 10^9$



**Low energy synchro peak:  
leave the disk naked!**

GG, Tavecchio & Ghirlanda 2009





If you want to compare disk luminosity and jet power,  
the best sample is:

Blazars detected  
by Fermi  $\rightarrow L_{\text{obs, jet}}$   
with broad emission lines  $\rightarrow L_{\text{disk}}$

Shaw+ 2012: FSRQs (~220 sources)

Shaw+ 2013: BL Lacs (26 with BLR)

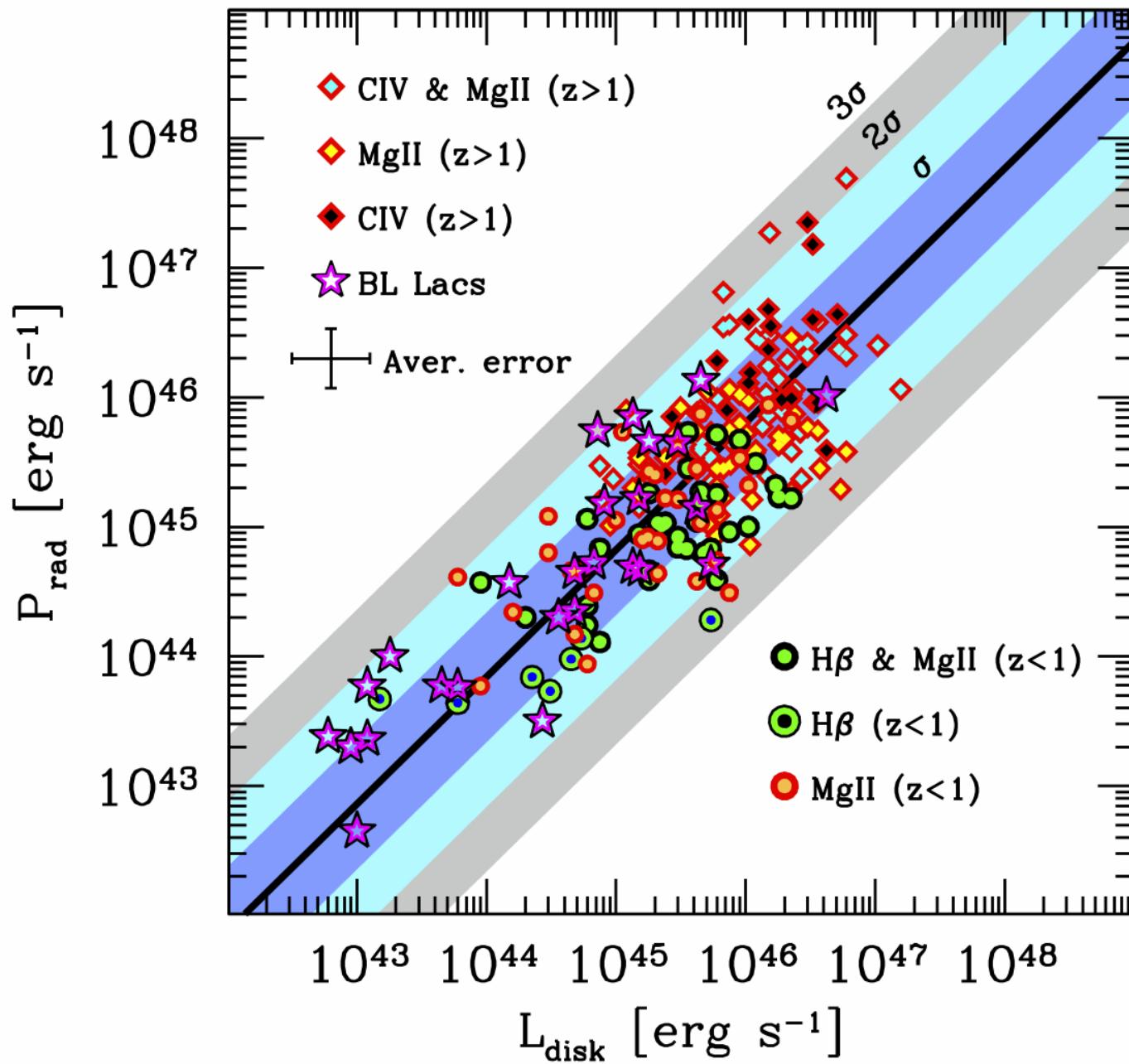
The jet cannot have less power than what required to produce the observed luminosity:

$$P_{\text{jet}} > P_{\text{rad}} = \frac{L_{\text{obs}}}{\Gamma^2}$$

If  $P_{\text{jet}}$  is twice as much,  $\Gamma$  halves.

We can take  $P_{\text{rad}}$  as the minimum  $P_{\text{jet}}$ .

This limit is model-independent.

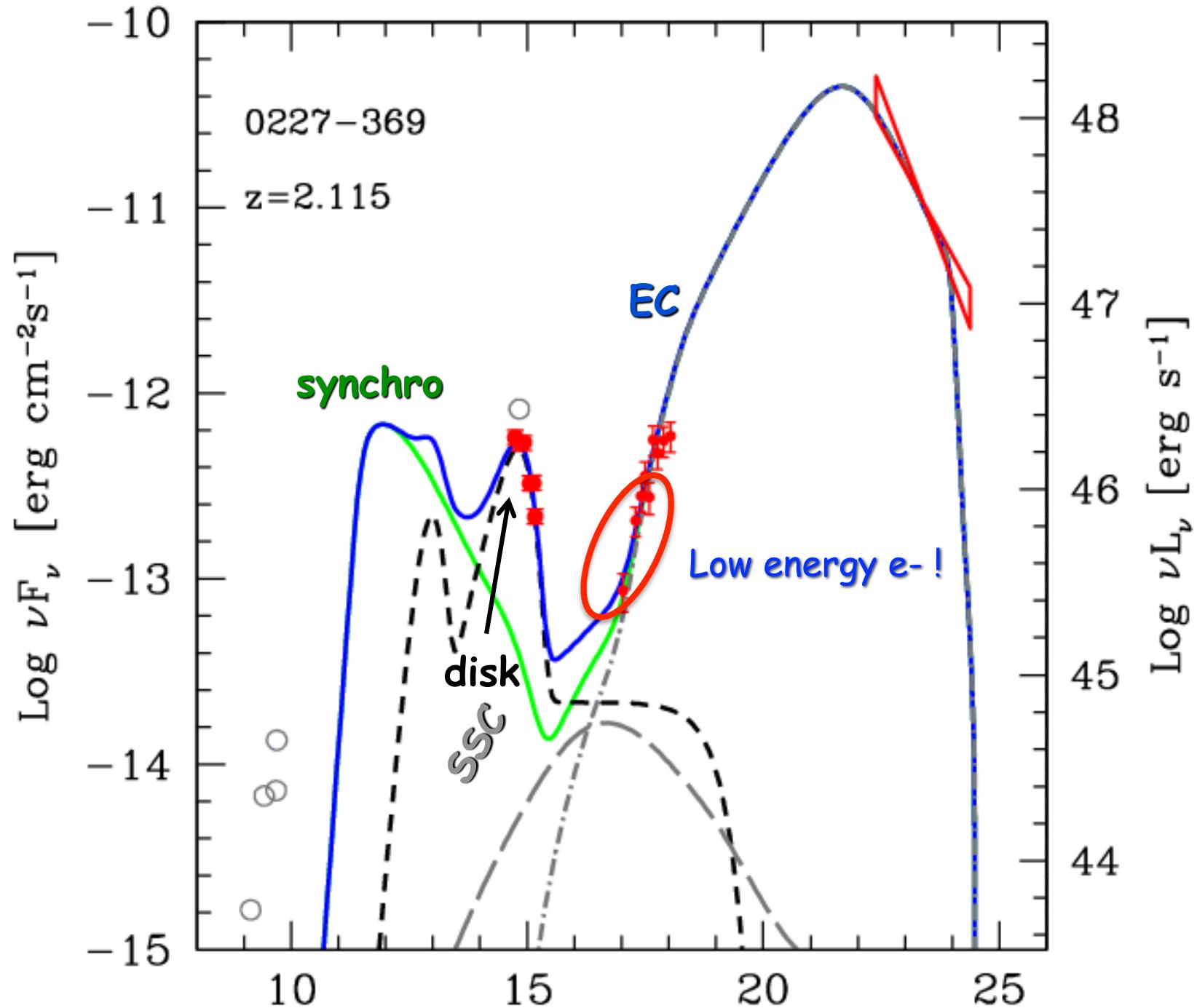


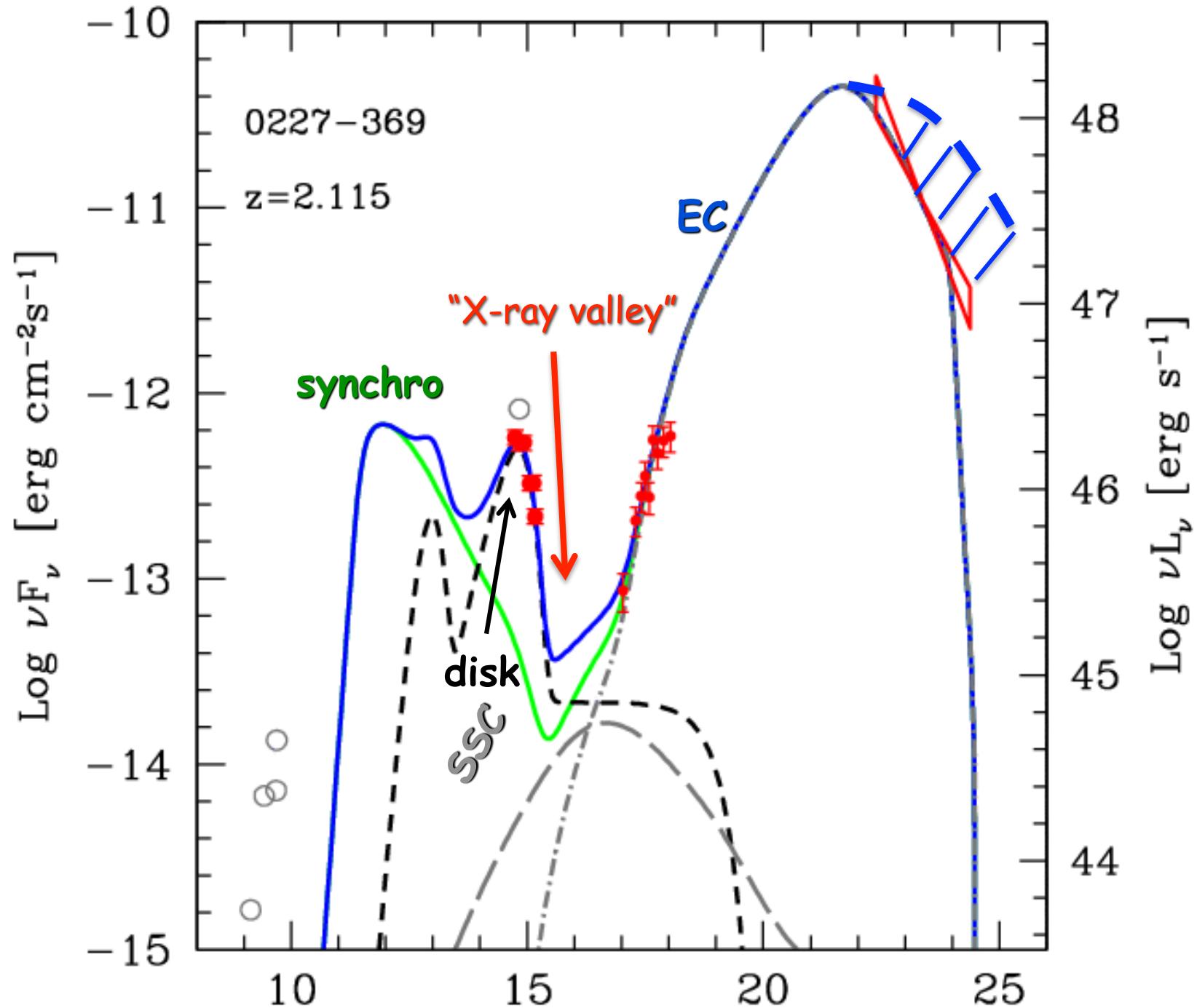
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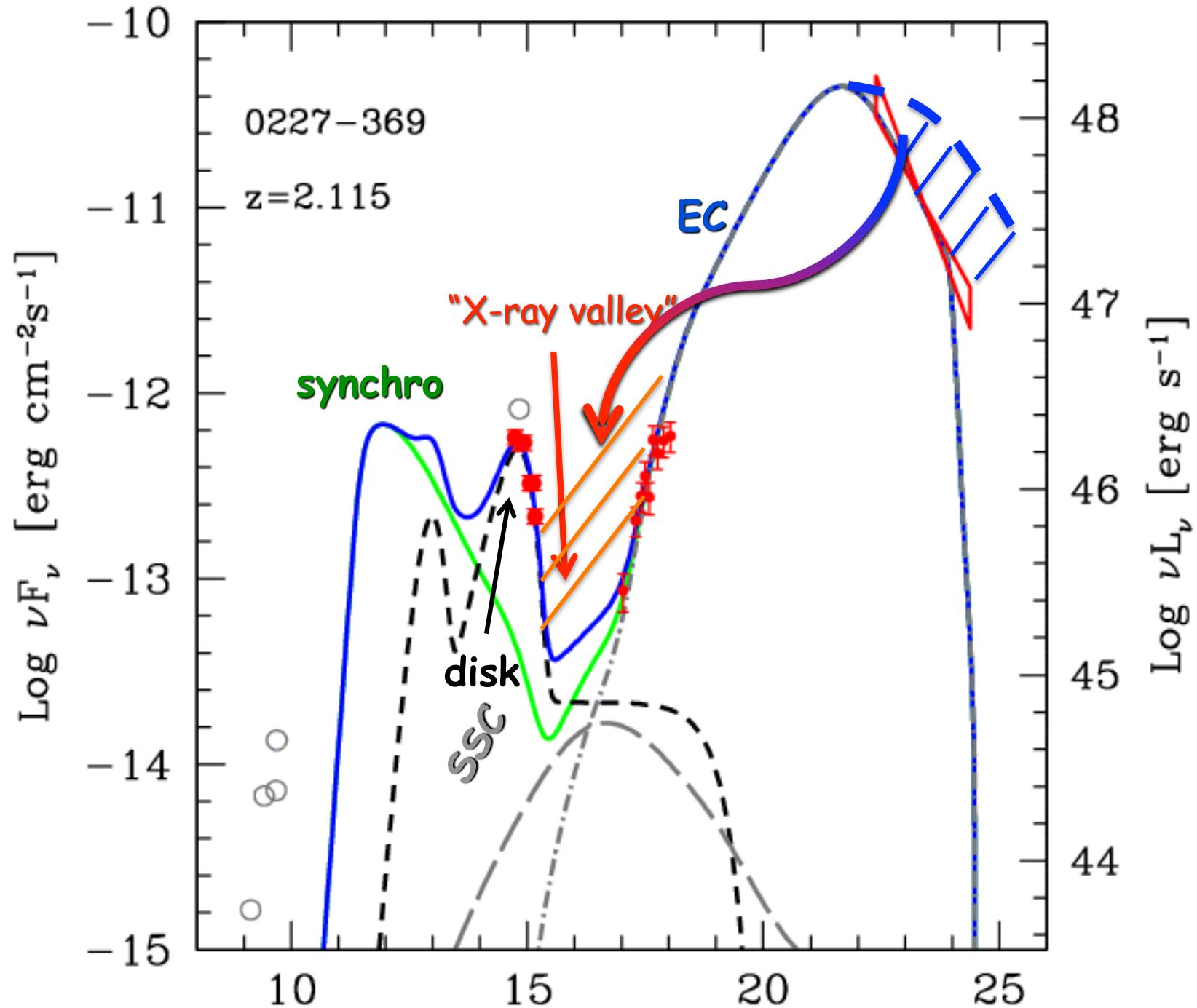
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- Presence of electron positron pairs
- Radiative model: SSC vs EC vs baryons

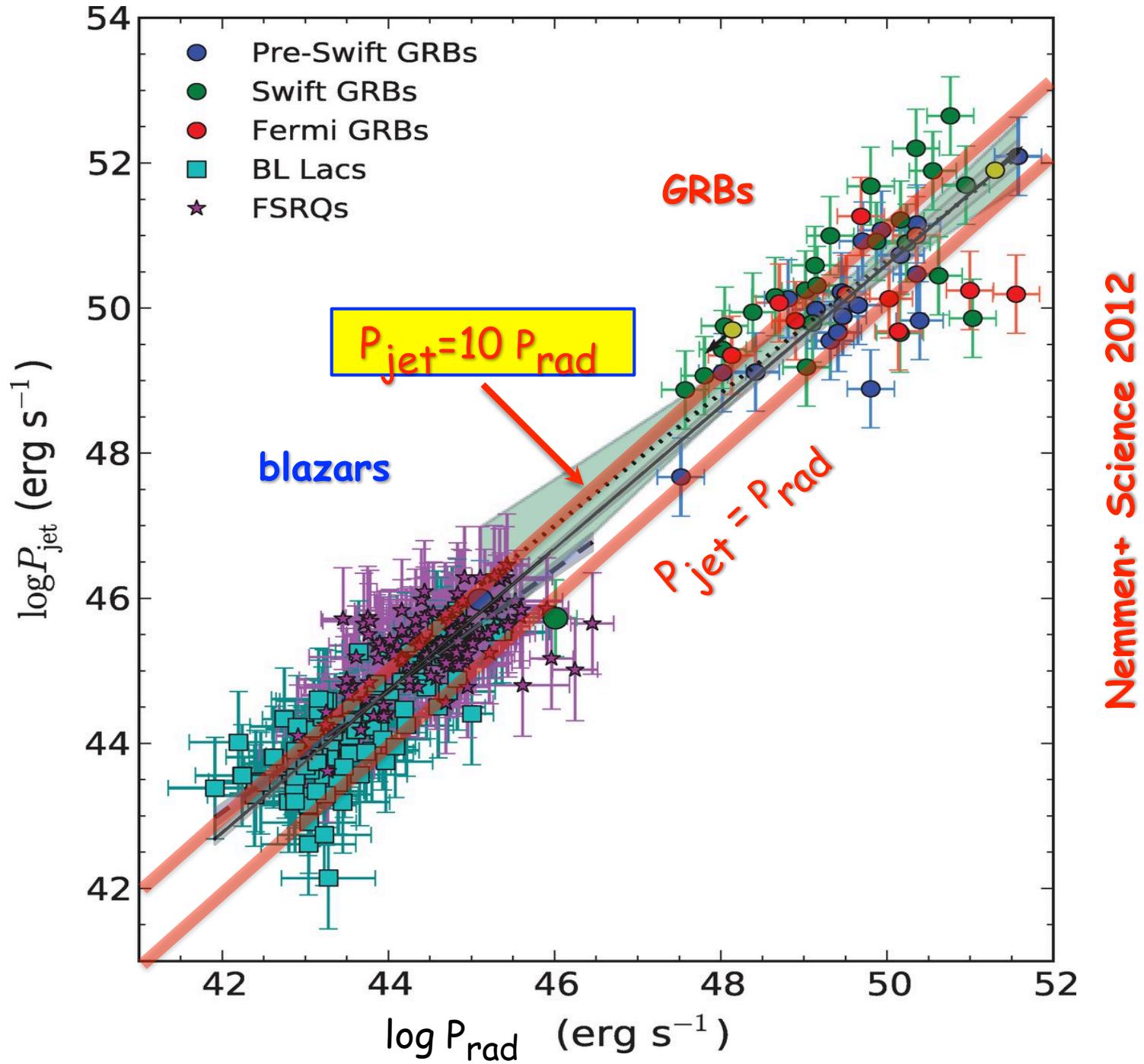
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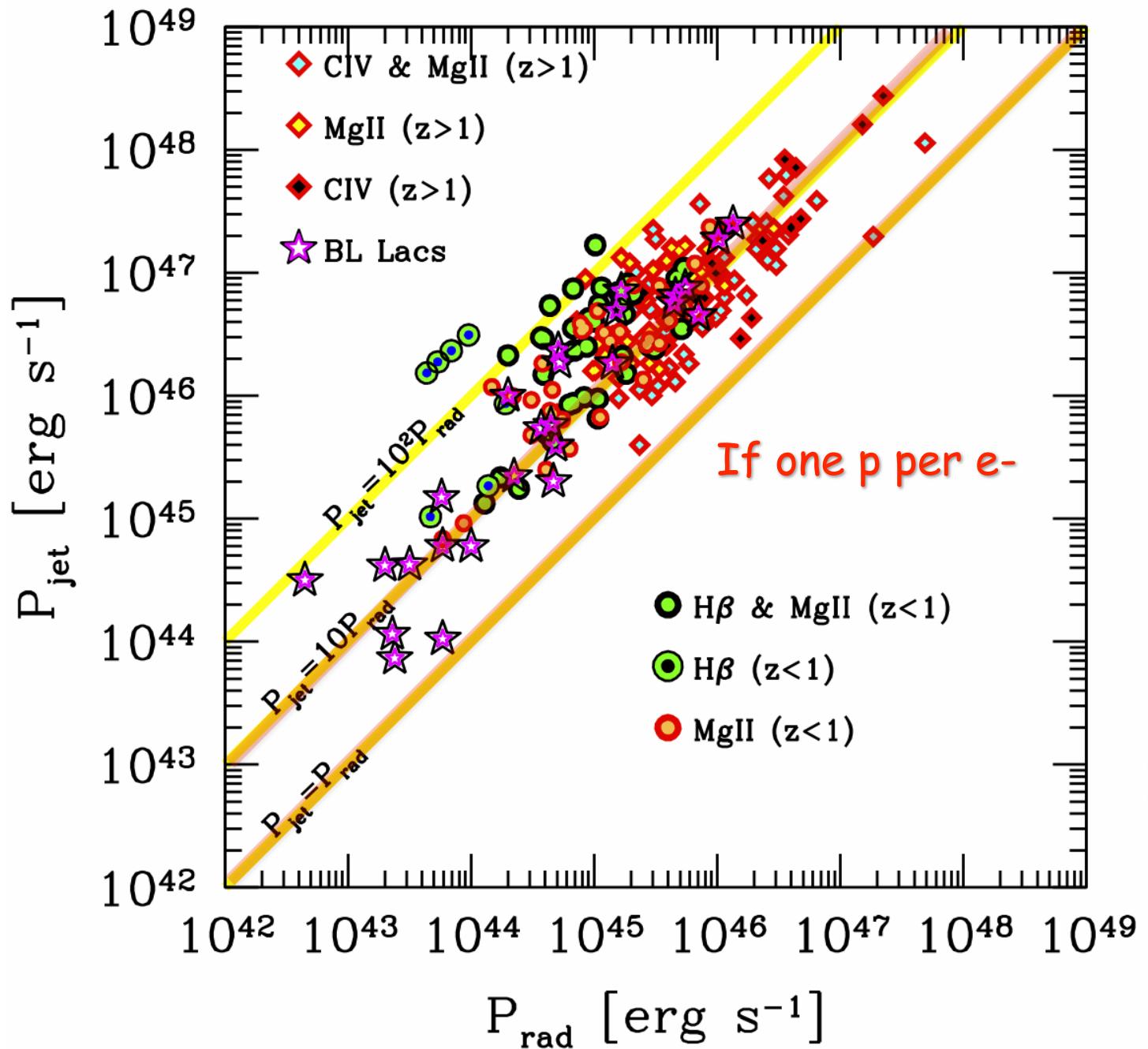
- $\gamma_{\min} \rightarrow$  total number of e- (and of protons, if no pairs...)
- Presence of electron positron pairs
- Radiative model: ~~SSC~~ vs EC vs ~~baryons~~
  - doesn't fit
  - even more power



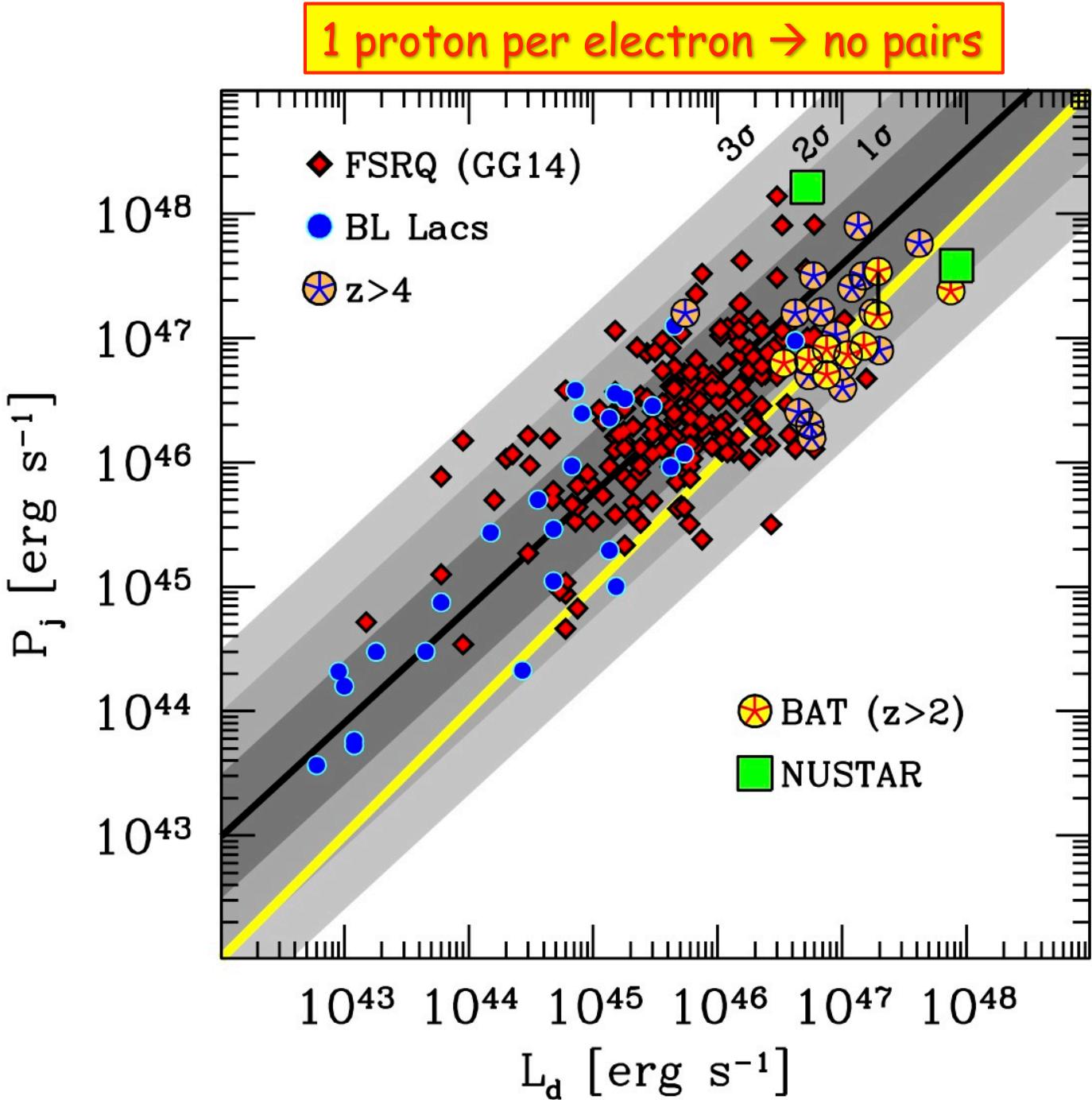








GG+ Nature 2014



Sbarra+, 2016

# Apparent paradox:

Jet power proportional to accretion

And yet it is greater....

Blandford Znajek

$$P_{BZ} \sim a^2 B^2 M^2$$

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$$P_{BZ} \sim a^2 \rho c^2 R_g^2 c \quad \rho c^2 \sim B^2 / 8\pi$$

$$P_{BZ} \sim a^2 \dot{M} c^2$$

# Rotation > Accretion

B-field amplified by accretion can tap the spin energy of the hole

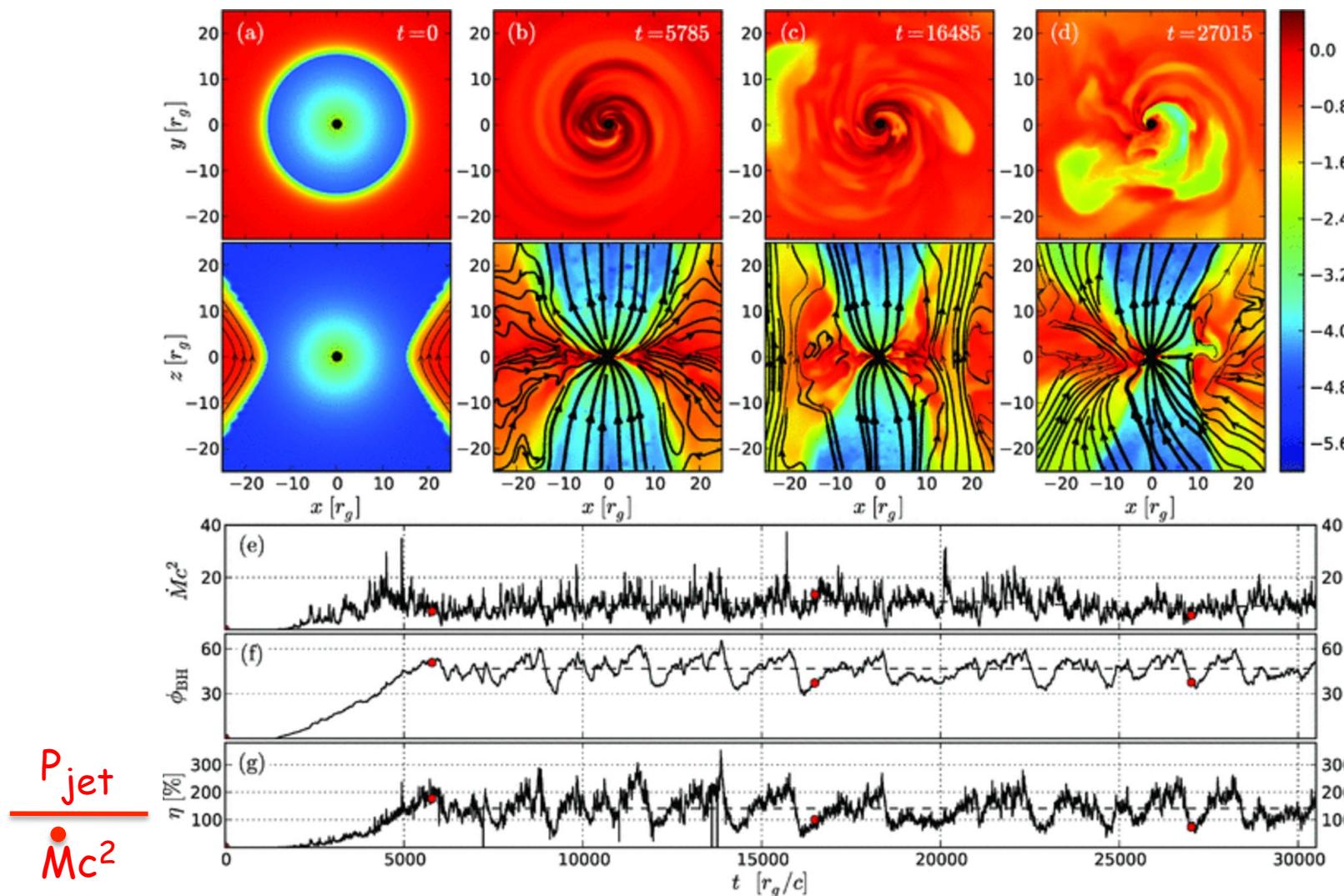
This process is very efficient

The B-field "does not work", the jet power comes from the BH spin

Yet it is the catalyst for the process. No B no jet.

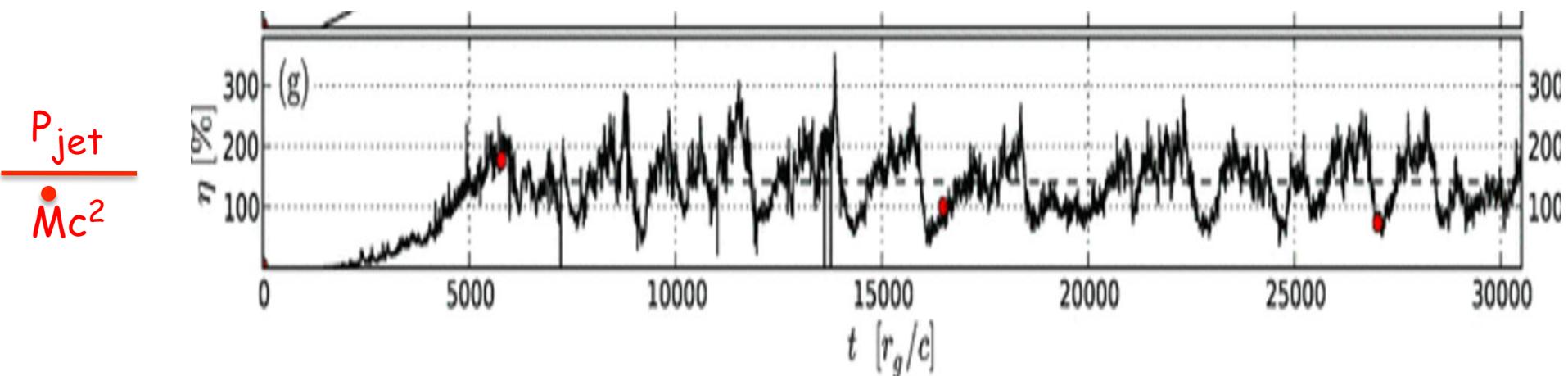
But B is linked to accretion, that's why  $P_{jet}$  is proportional to  $L_d$

Shows results from the fiducial GRMHD simulation A0.99fc for a BH with spin parameter  $a = 0.99$ ; see Supporting Information for the movie.



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On average:  $1 \text{ g in} \rightarrow 1.5 c^2 \text{ erg out}$

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- Location is important
- A textbook powerful jet
- The blazar sequence
- The jet power
- Rotation > Accretion

**End**