

Bright Black Hole X-ray Binaries recently discovered by MAXI

— MAXI J1535–571 and MAXI J1820+070 —

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High-energy gamma-rays from NS/BH binaries

- NS (pulsar) + OB star
 - PSR B1259+63: pulsar wind + stellar wind → shock
- NS (ms pulsar) + low-mass star
 - “Black widow”
- BH + OB/WR star
 - Cyg X-1, Cyg X-3
 - Gamma-ray emission related with “**X-ray states**”

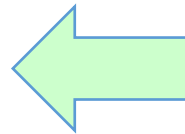
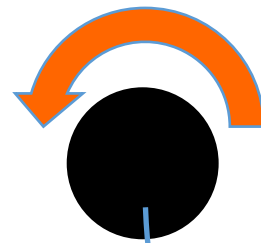
Observational study of black holes is even more interesting now

- **GW observation of $\approx 30 M_{\odot}$ black holes**
 - Mass range and population? Origin?
- **Better sky/time domain coverage for transients**
 - (near) all-sky X-ray monitoring by MAXI, Swift, ...
 - All-sky optical monitoring
 - e.g. All-Sky Automated Survey for Supernovae (ASAS-SN)
- **Timely multiwavelength follow-up observations**
 - More radio-IR-optical facilities available for monitoring or follow-up
 - All-sky gamma-ray monitoring – Swift, HAWC, etc.
 - CTA coming online for sensitive follow-up

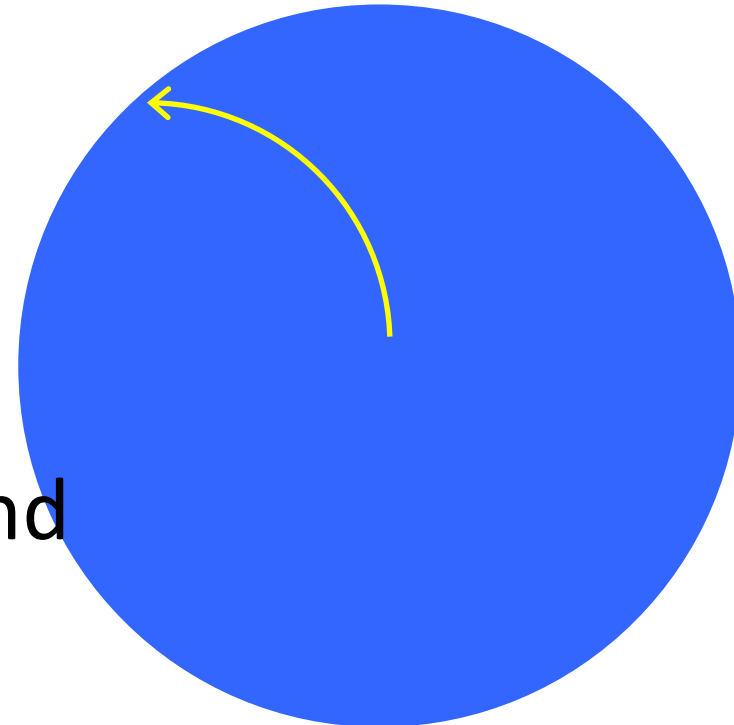
Black Hole Binary (high mass)

Black Hole

$>3-20 M_{\text{sun}}$



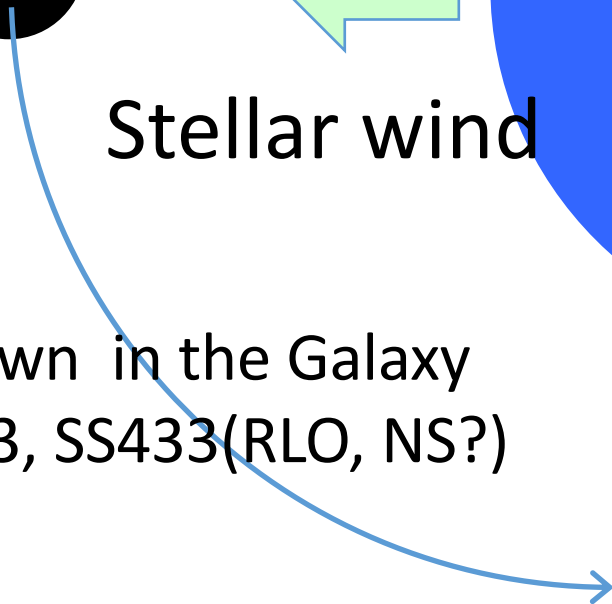
Stellar wind



High-mass star

$10-20 M_{\text{sun}}$

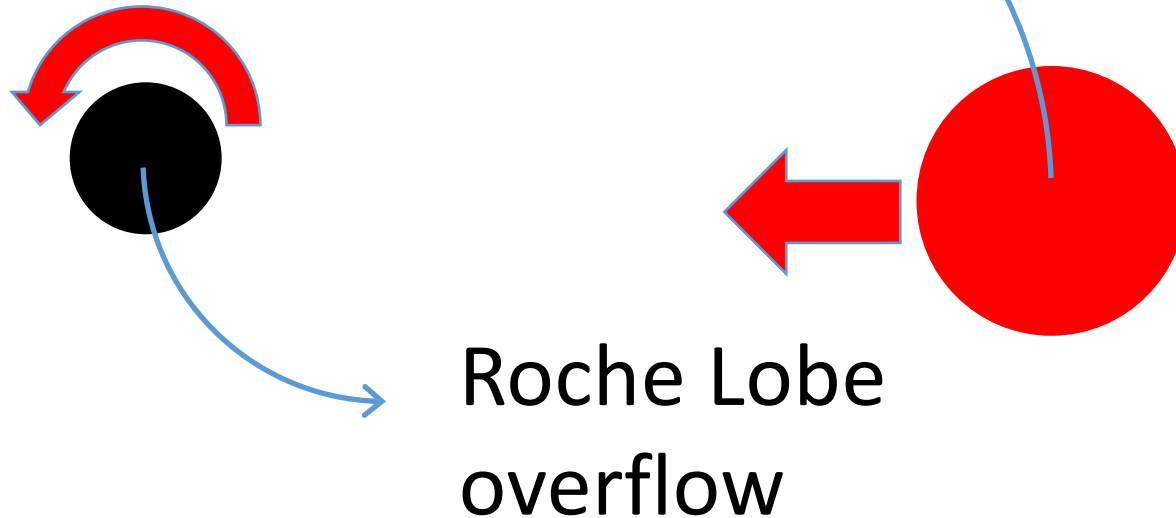
- Only a few known in the Galaxy
- Cyg X-1, Cyg X-3, SS433(RLO, NS?)



Black Hole Binary (low mass)

Black Hole
>3–20 M_{sun}

Low-mass star
0.1–1 M_{sun}



- mostly transient (“X-ray nova”)
- ~1/year new BHB discovered

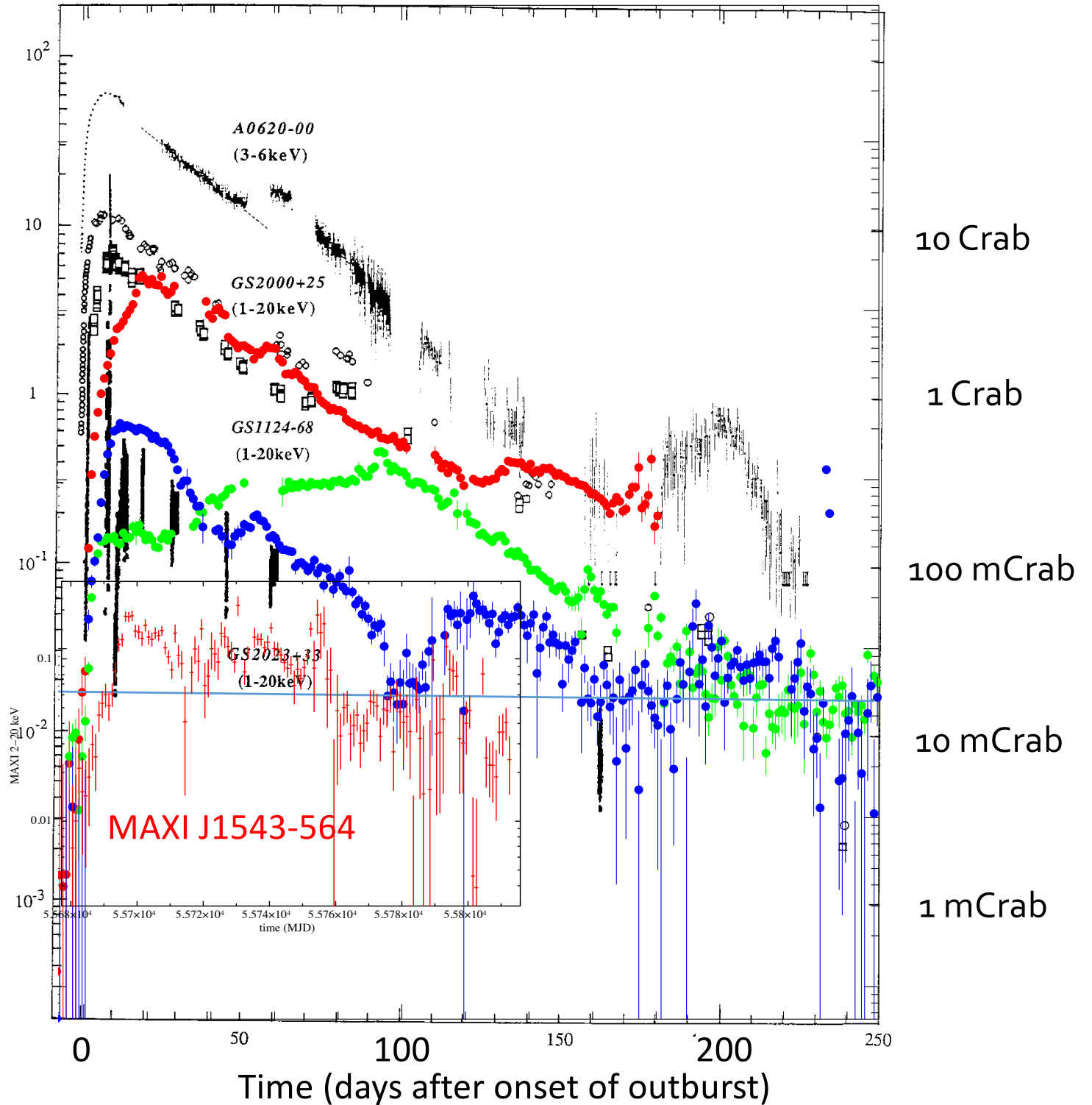
“X-ray Nova” light curves

MAXI J1535-571

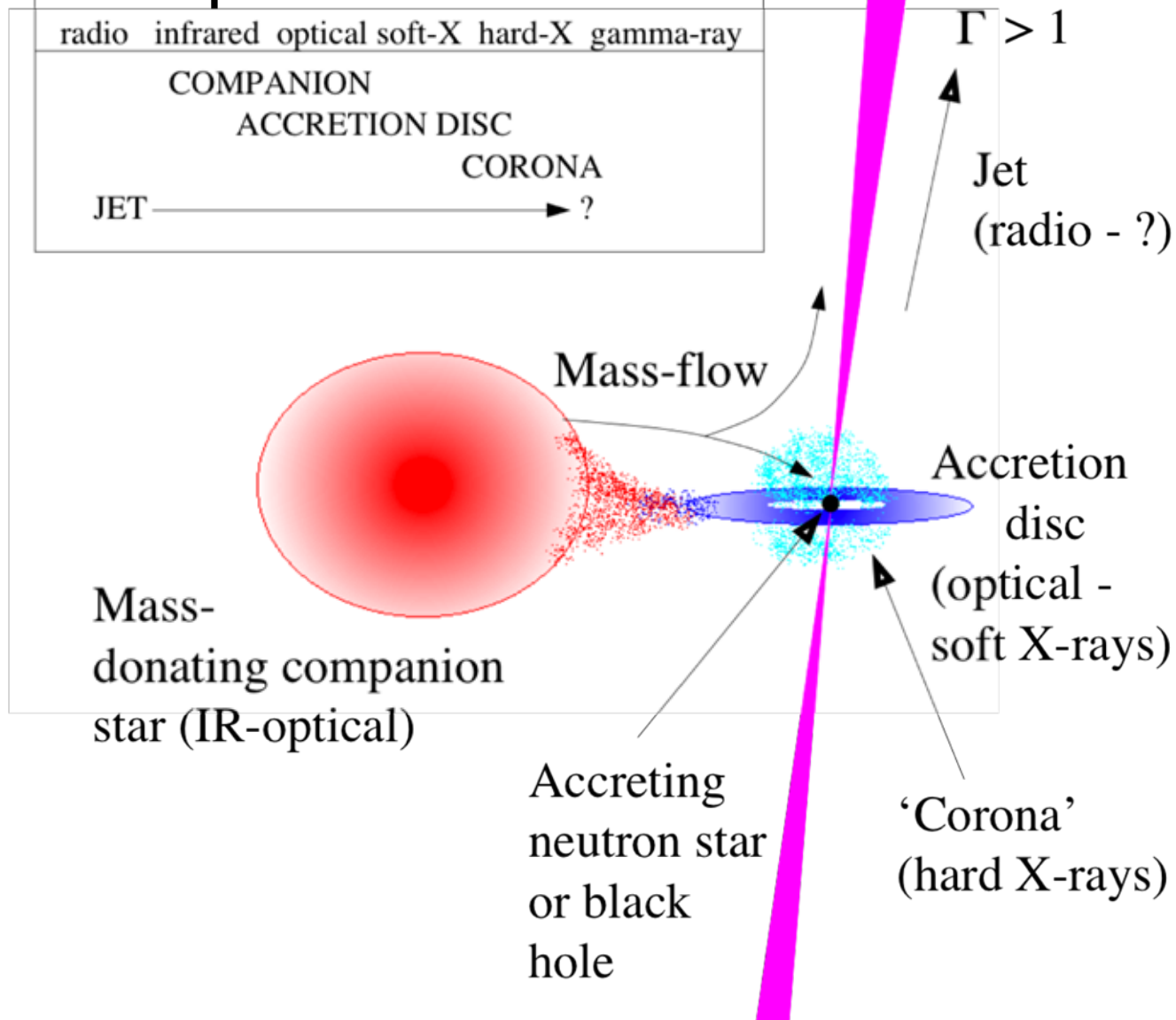
MAXI J1910-057

XTE J1752-223

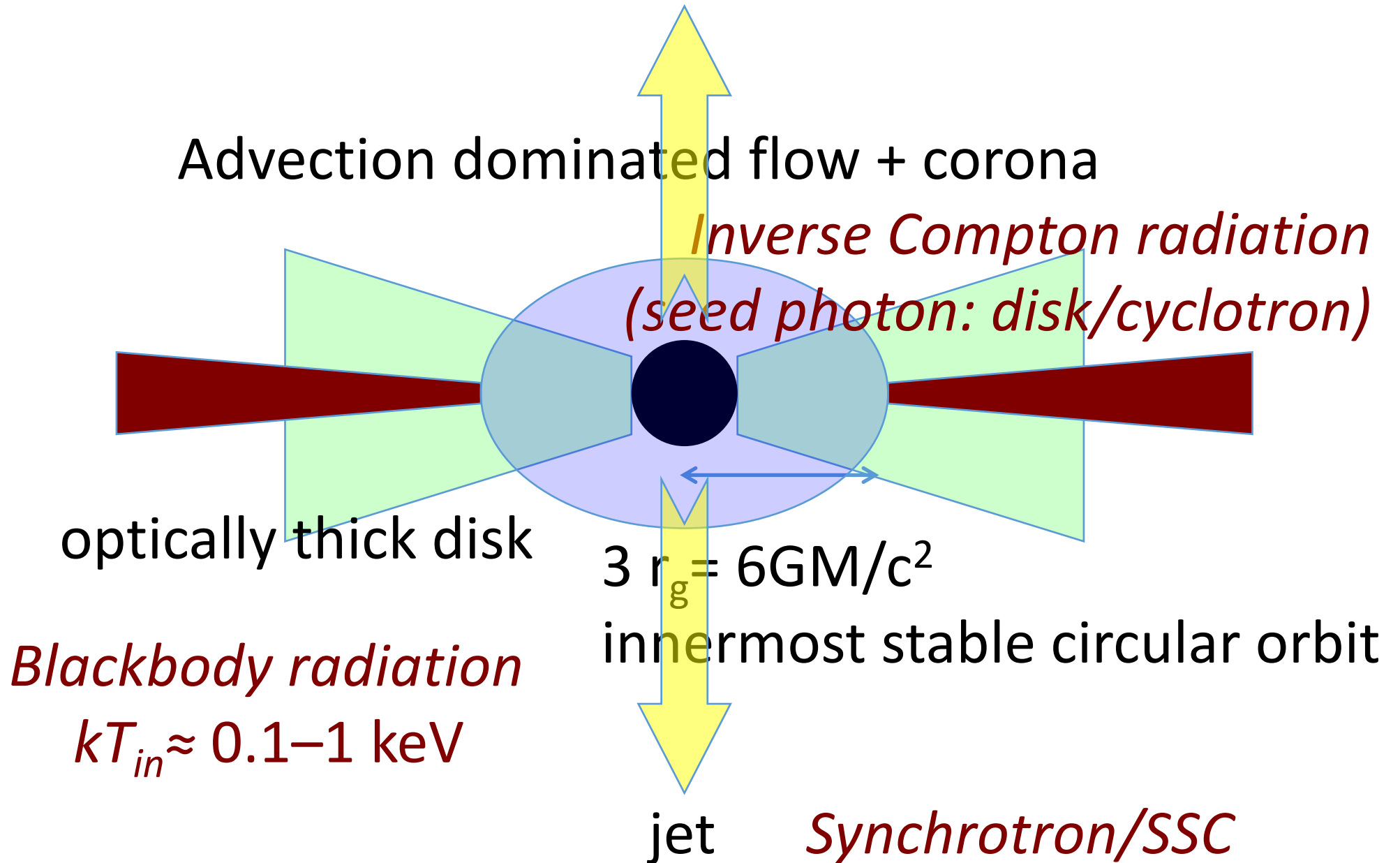
X-ray flux (Crab unit)



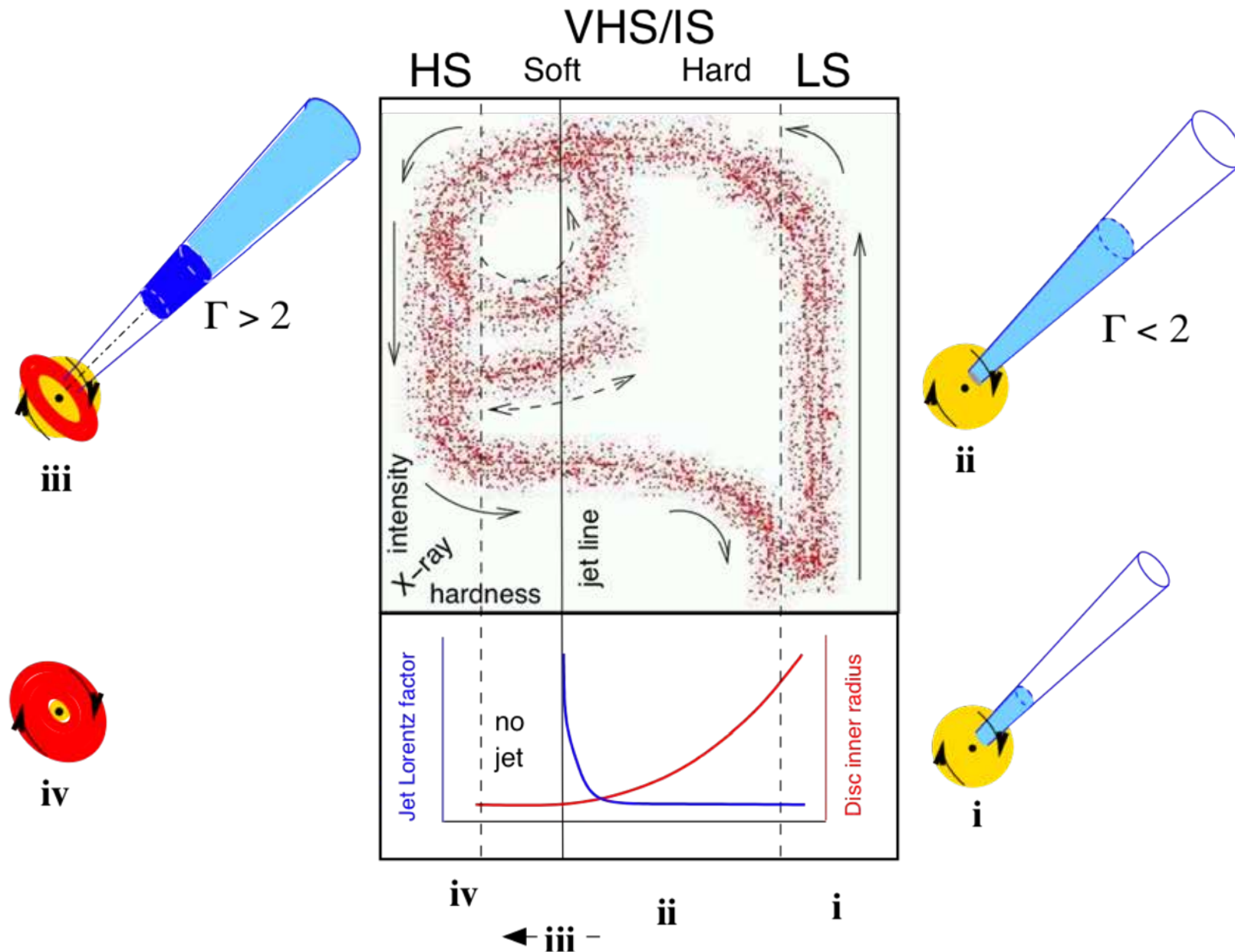
Microquasar model



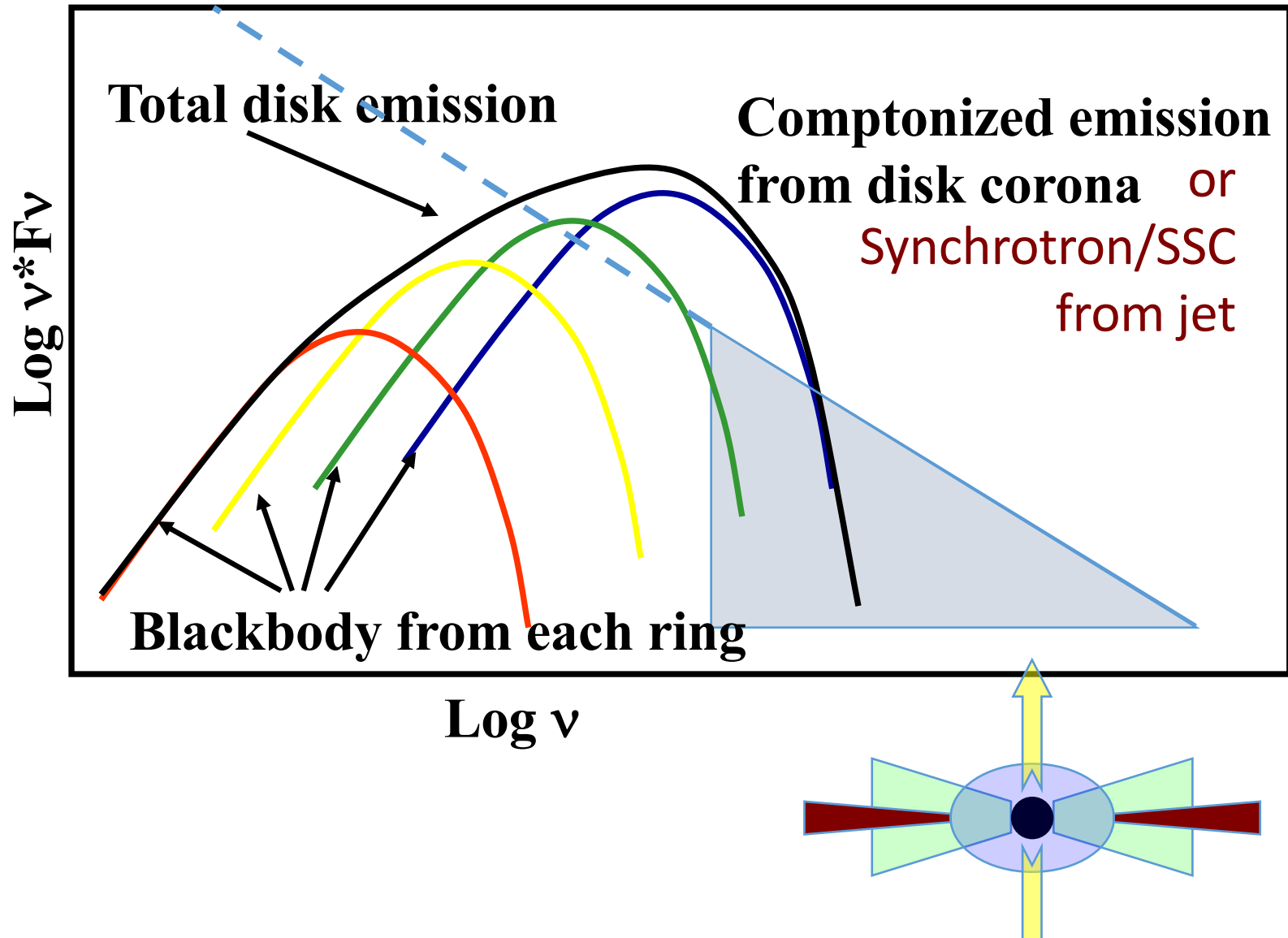
Anatomy of an accreting black hole



Spectral States and Disk-Jet Coupling in Black Hole Binaries (Fender 2004,...)

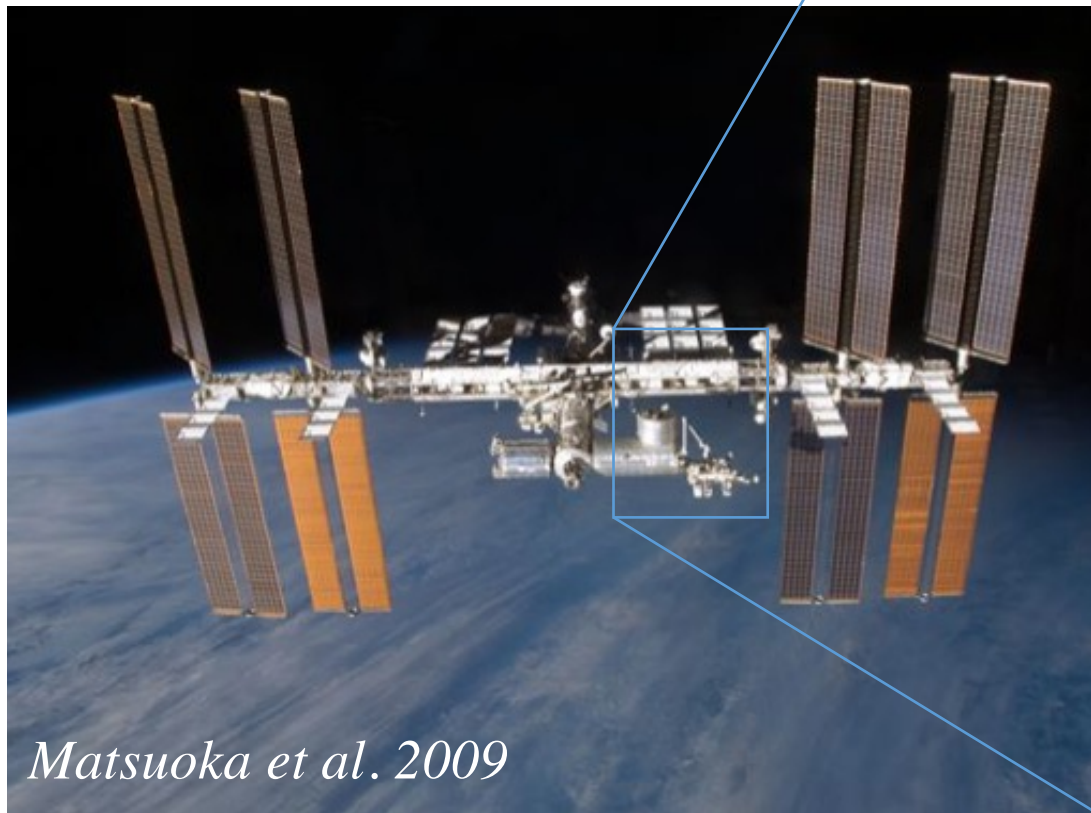
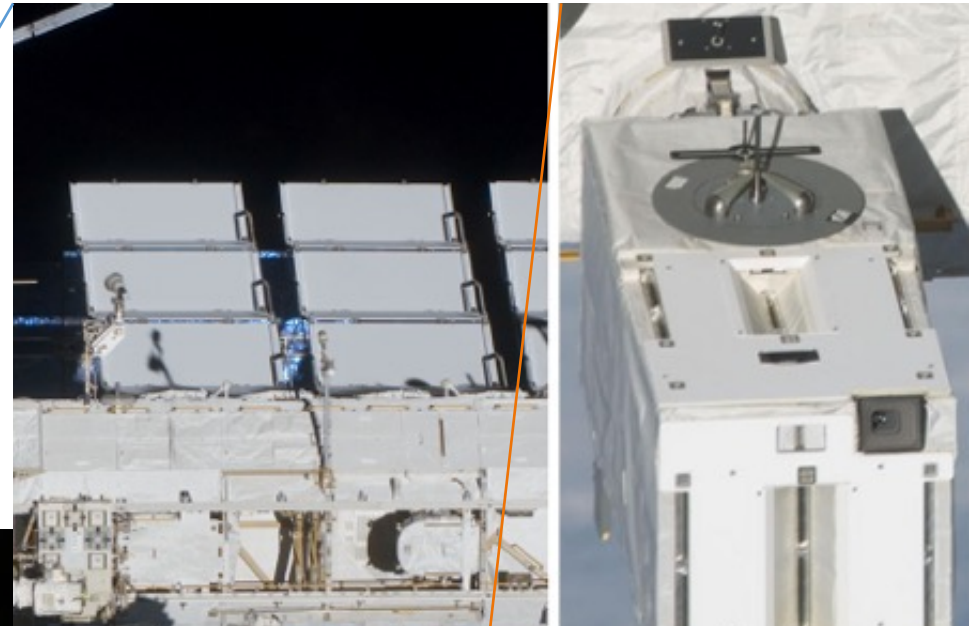


X-ray spectrum of a black hole binary

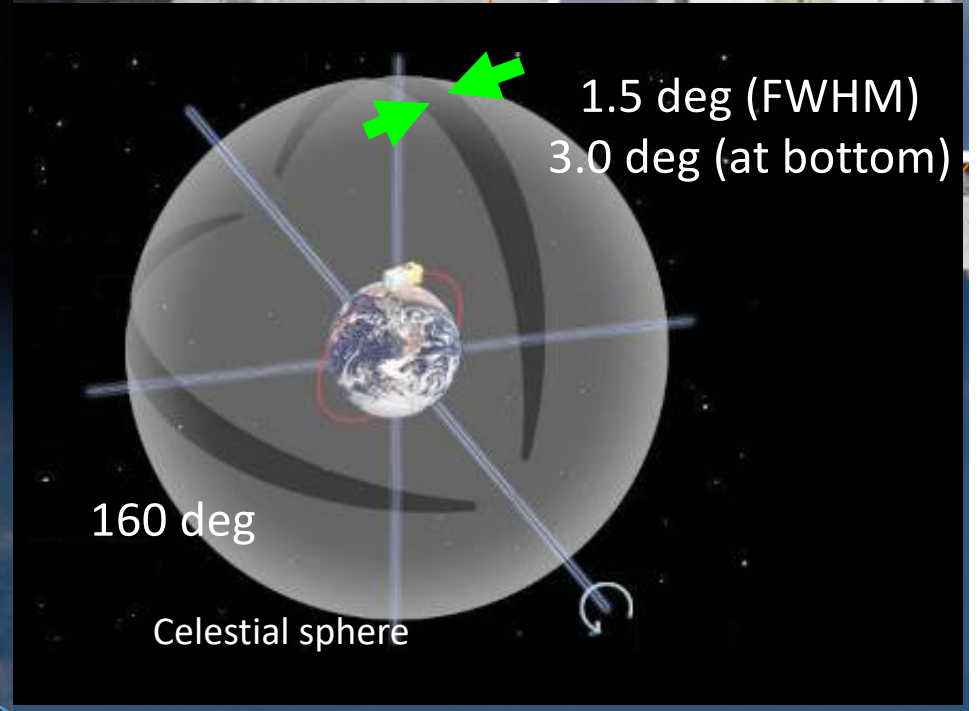


Monitor of All-Sky X-ray Image

- Mission started August 2009
- Ops approved until Mar 2021
- Real-time link ~70%
- “MAXI 10-Year” Symposium planned in Fall 2019

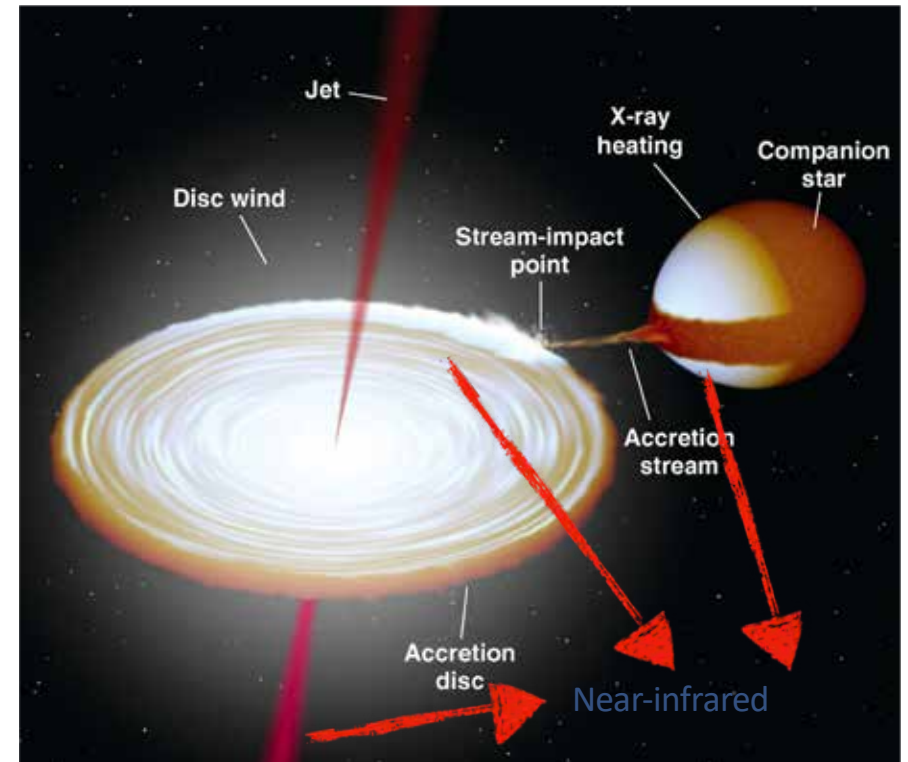


Matsuoka et al. 2009

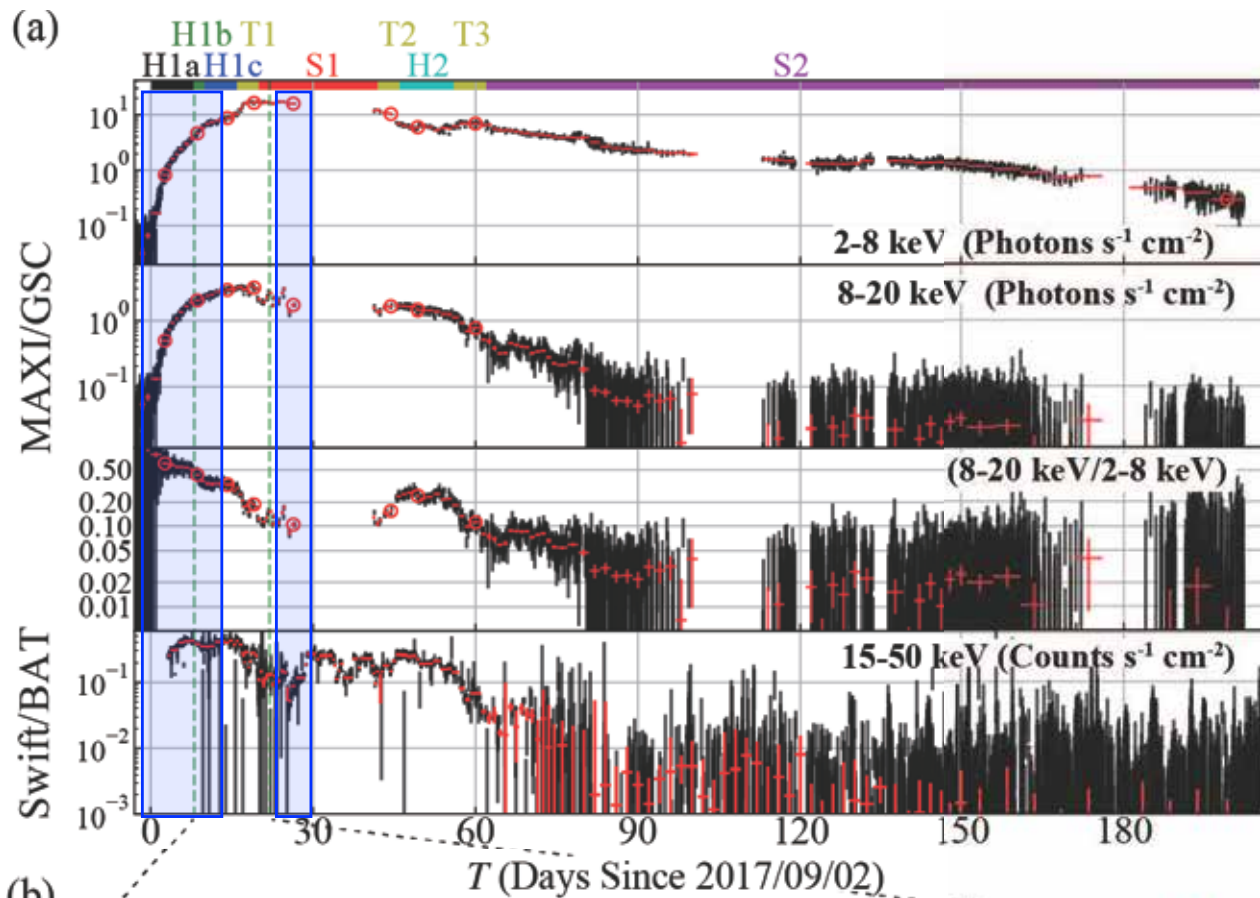


Optical/NIR emission from Low-mass X-ray binaries

- Thermal emission from the X-ray irradiated disk and/or the companion
- Synchrotron emission from the jet
- Cyclotron emission (or Comptonized —) from ADAF



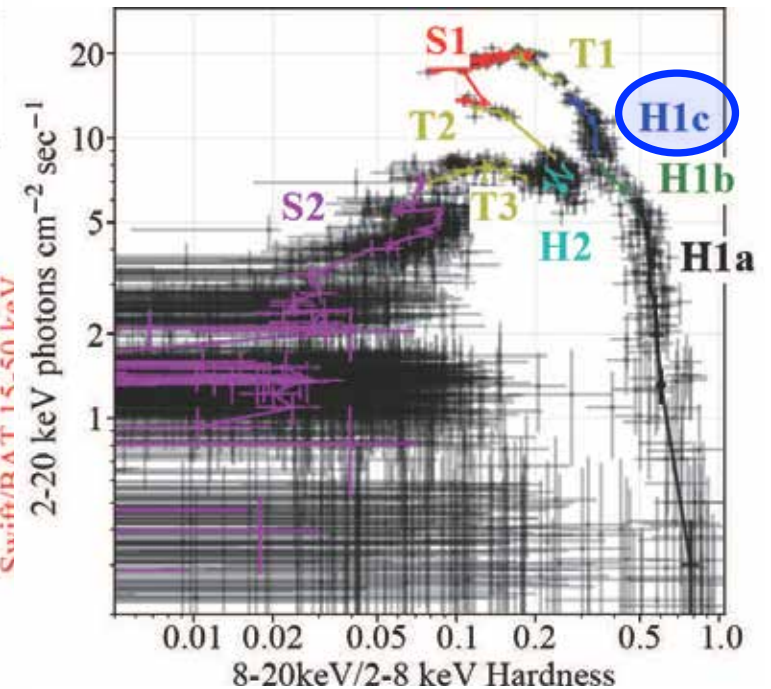
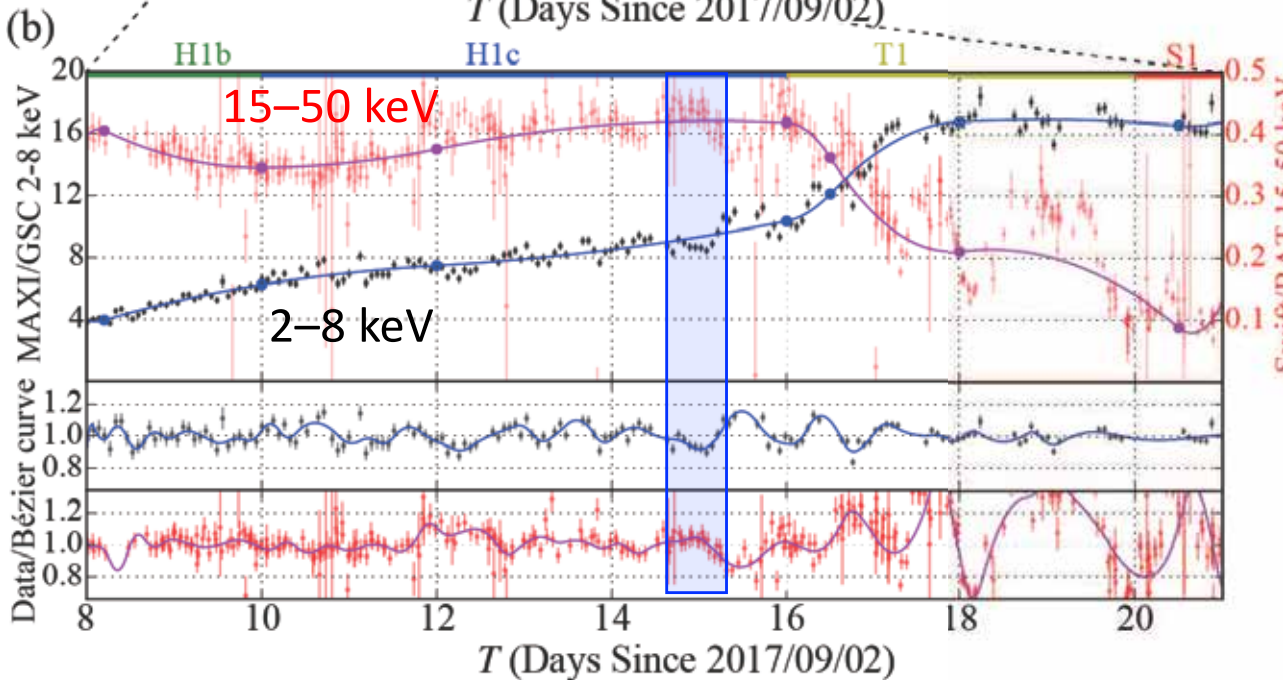
may constrain the system geometry and dynamics, and provide information on accretion and radiation processes



MAXI J1535-571

⇐ X-ray light curves

Hardness-Intensity Diagram (HID) ↓



Nakahira et al. 2018

Follow-up observation with IRSF 1.4 m telescope

Near-infrared

- J ($1.2\mu\text{m}$), H ($1.6\mu\text{m}$), Ks ($2.3\mu\text{m}$)
- less dust extinction than optical and UV
- galactic plane source such as MAXI J1535-571

Sutherland observatory in South Africa

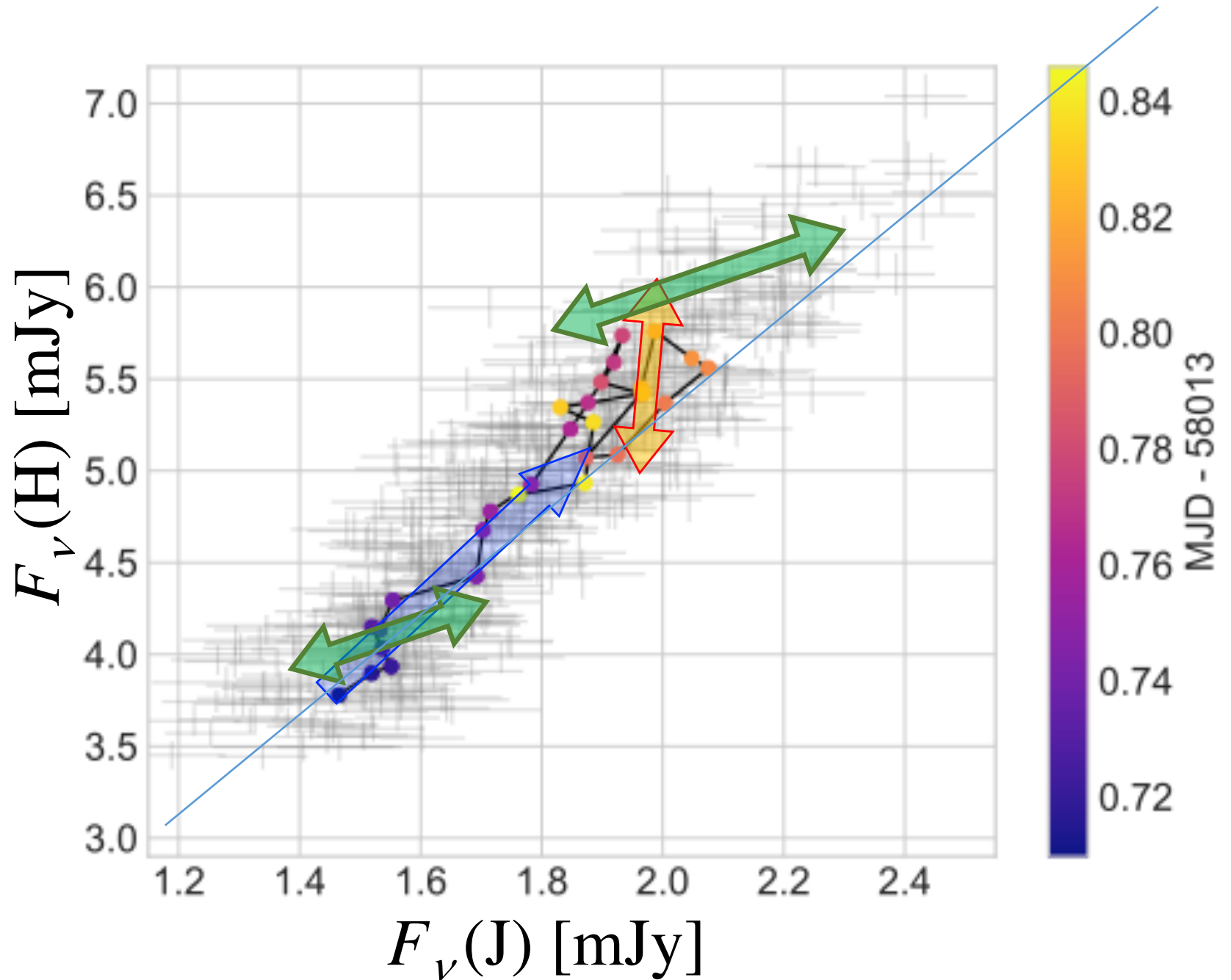
- Southern Hemisphere
- MAXI J1535-571

Observations

- Sep 6—17: Kumiko Morihana, Takahiro Nagayama
- Sep 28 — Oct 2: Katsuhiro Murata, Ryosuke Itoh



MAXI J1535–571: 2-color flux (H vs. J)



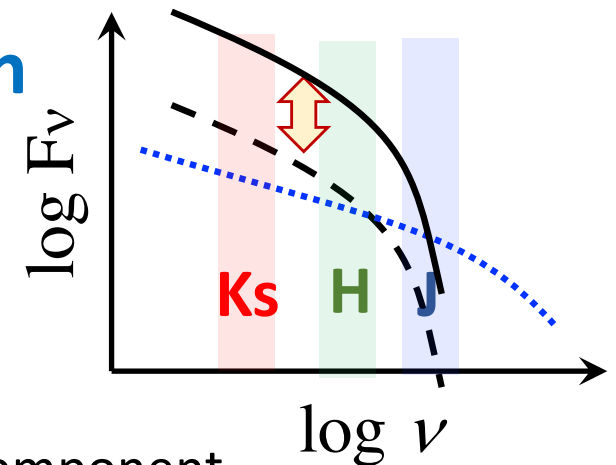
MAXI J1535–571: NIR flux properties

- **Variable on three time scales**

- Slow gradual rise ($\tau \geq 10$ ks)
- Intermediate variation ($\tau \sim 3$ ks) at plateau
- Rapid variation ($\tau < 20$ s)

- **Slow and rapid variations share common properties**

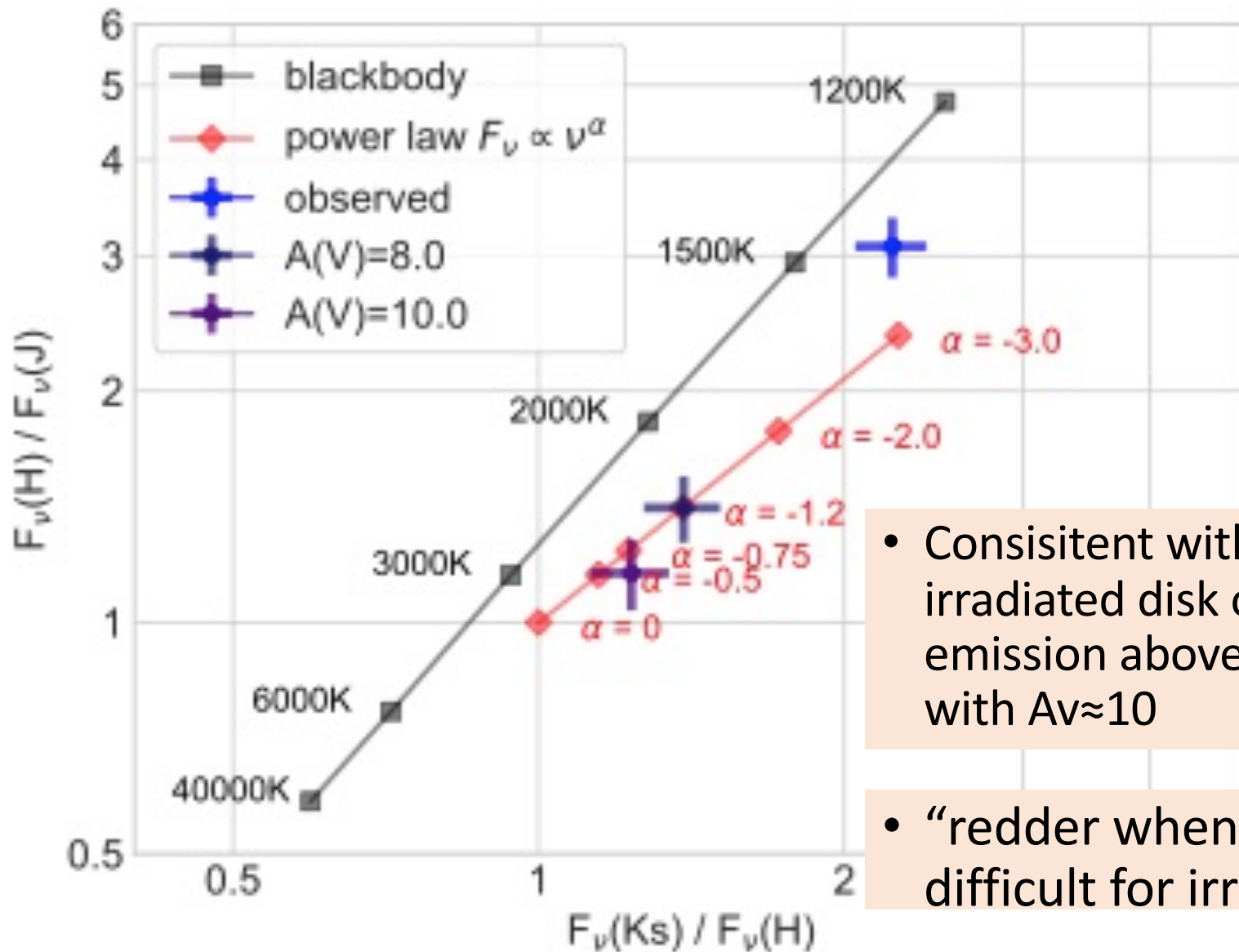
- Rapid var. amplitudes scales with total flux
- Similar colors
- Redder when brighter
 - \rightarrow suggest existence of underlying stable blue component



- **Intermediate variation is different**

- Redder when brighter in J-H, small amplitude in J band
- Little change in H-Ks color

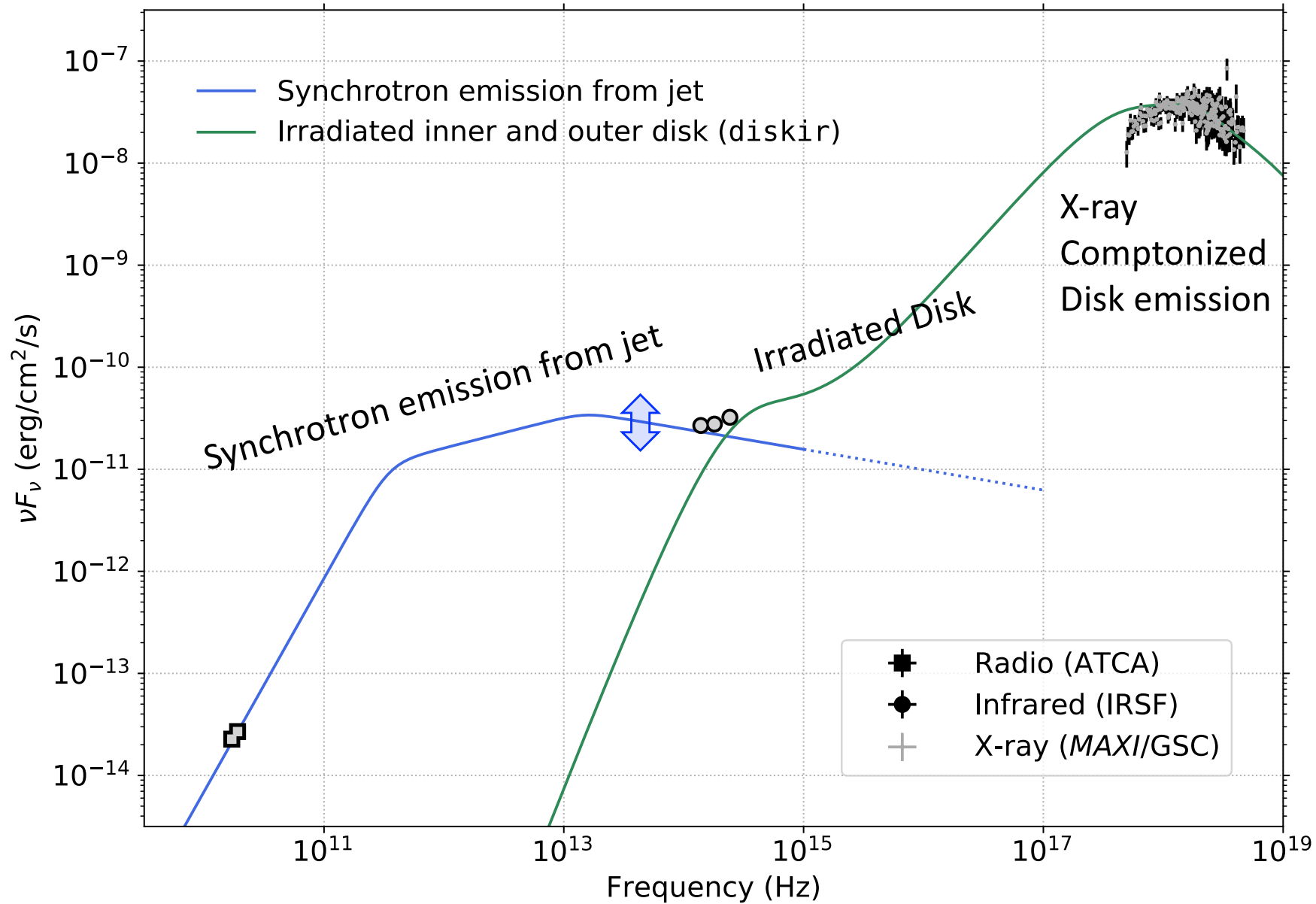
Rapidly variable component on color-color diagram



- Consistent with either irradiated disk or synchrotron emission above cooling break with $A_V \approx 10$

- “redder when brighter”
difficult for irradiated disk

Possible broad-band SED



Two new BHCs discovered by MAXI in 2018

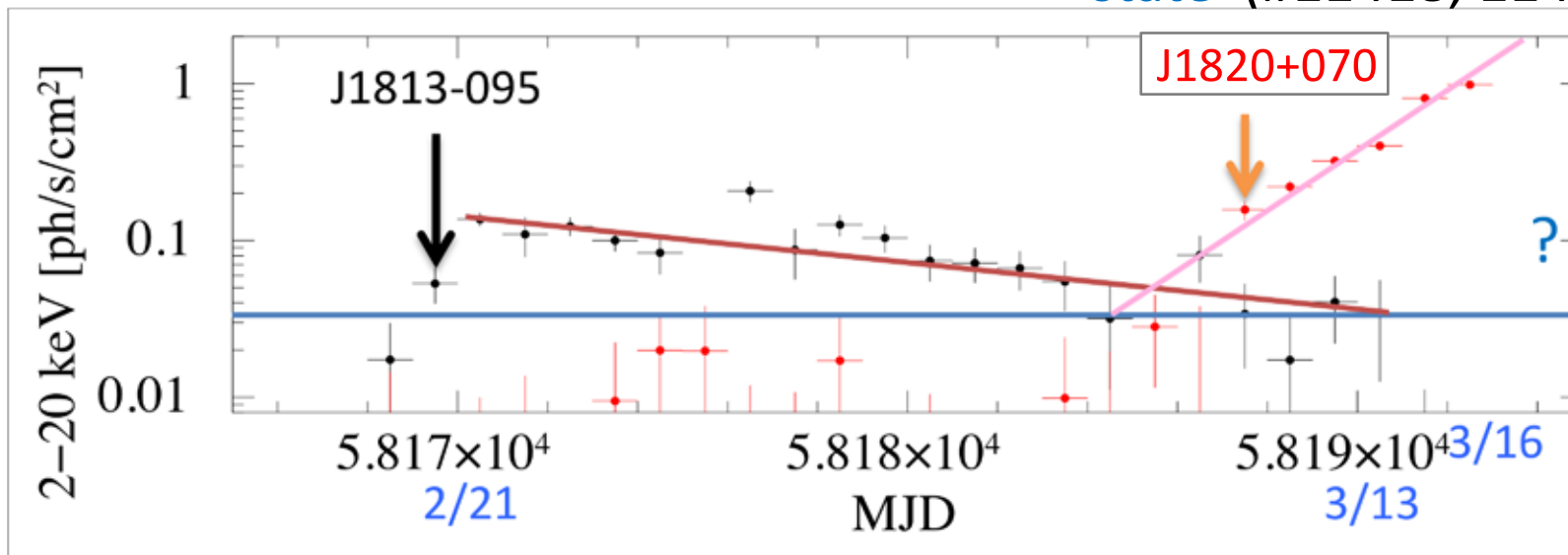
MAXI J1813-095, MAXI J1820+070

- MAXI J1813-095

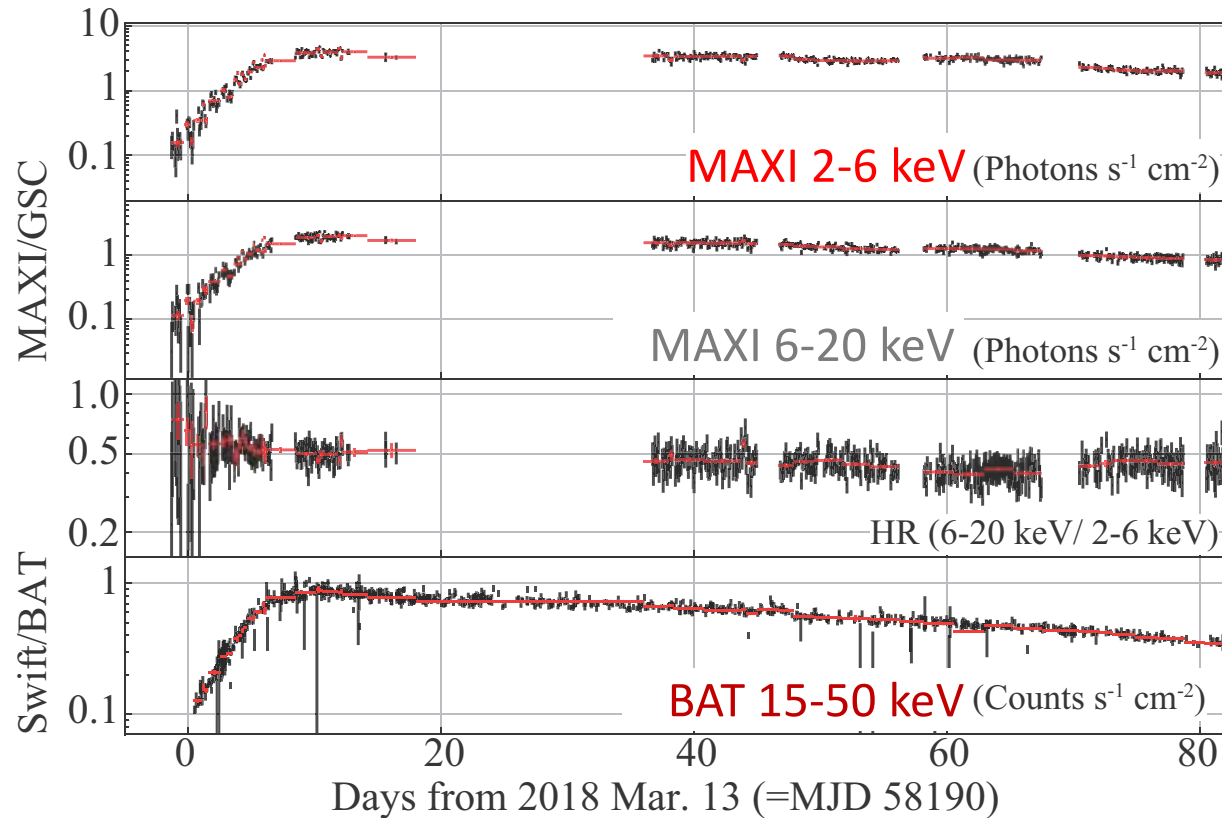
- 2/20 discovery (Kawase+ ATel #11323)
- Swift/XRT localization (Kennea+ #11326)
- Radio-quiet BHXB (Russel+ #11356)
- INTEGRAL:
power-law w/cutoff at 140 keV
→ BHC hard state (Fuerst+ #11357)

- MAXI J1820+070

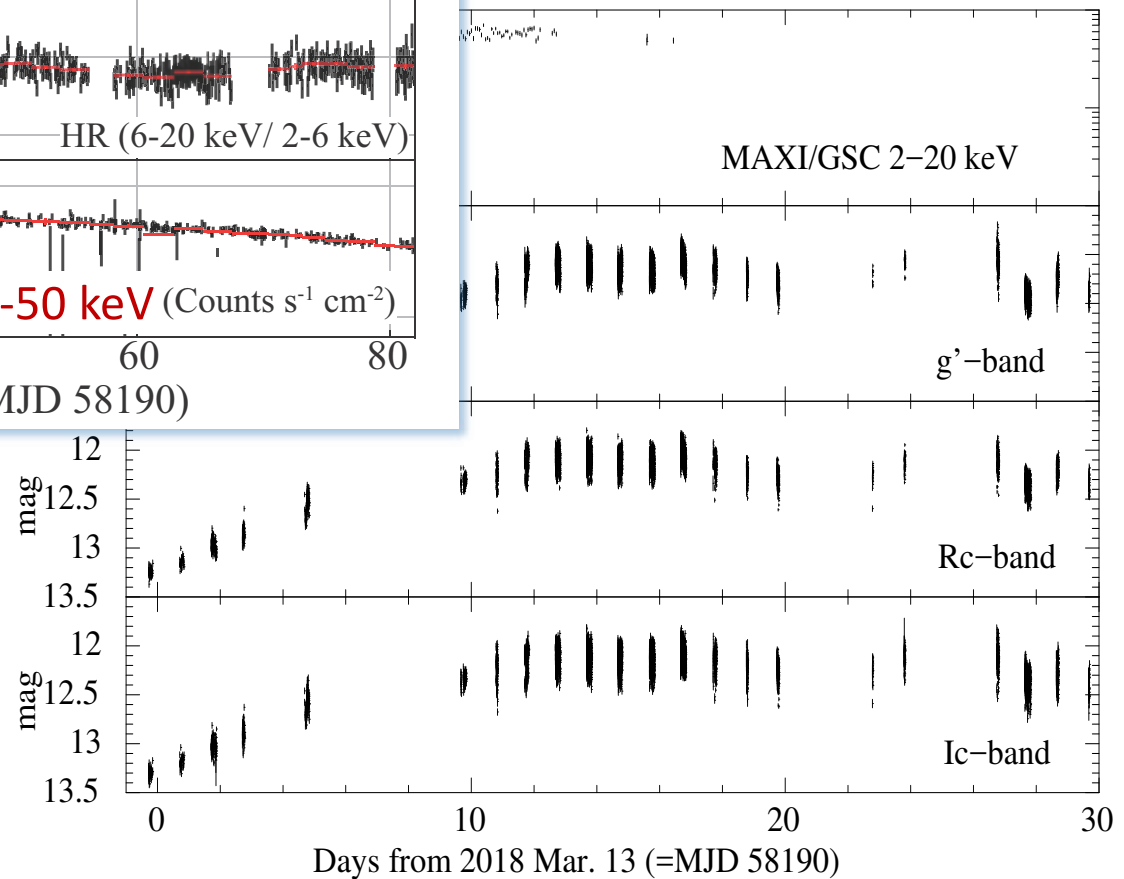
- 3/11 discovery (Kawamuro+ ATel #11399)
- 0+4h optical counterpart (Deniseko #11400)
- Swift XRT localization (Kennea+ #11403)
- Optical, Radio, X-ray observations suggests BHC hard state (#11418, 11420, 11423)



MAXI J1820+070



Hard state
No state transition for 80 days

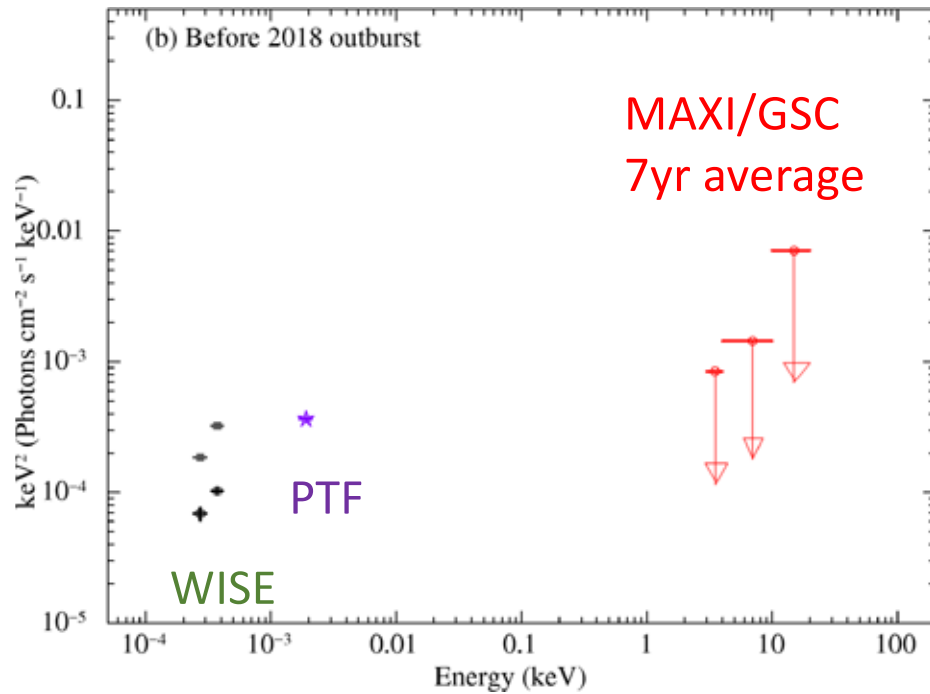


Optical/NIR
Bright and highly variable

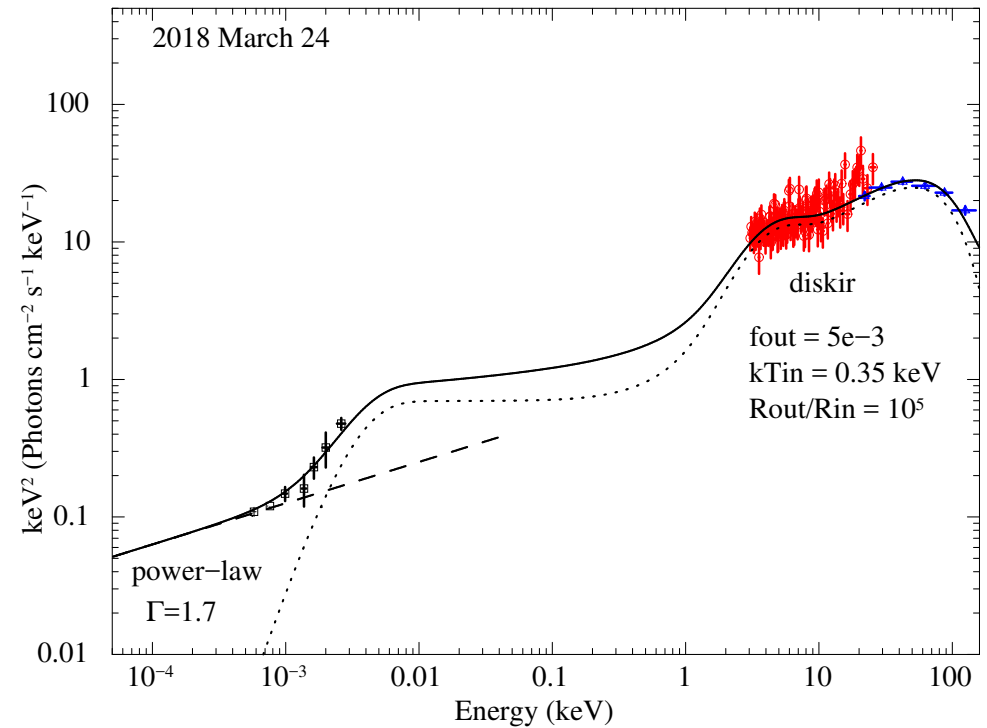
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Shidatsu et al. 2018
submitted to ApJ

NIR-optical-X-ray spectrum



NIR variable in quiescent state



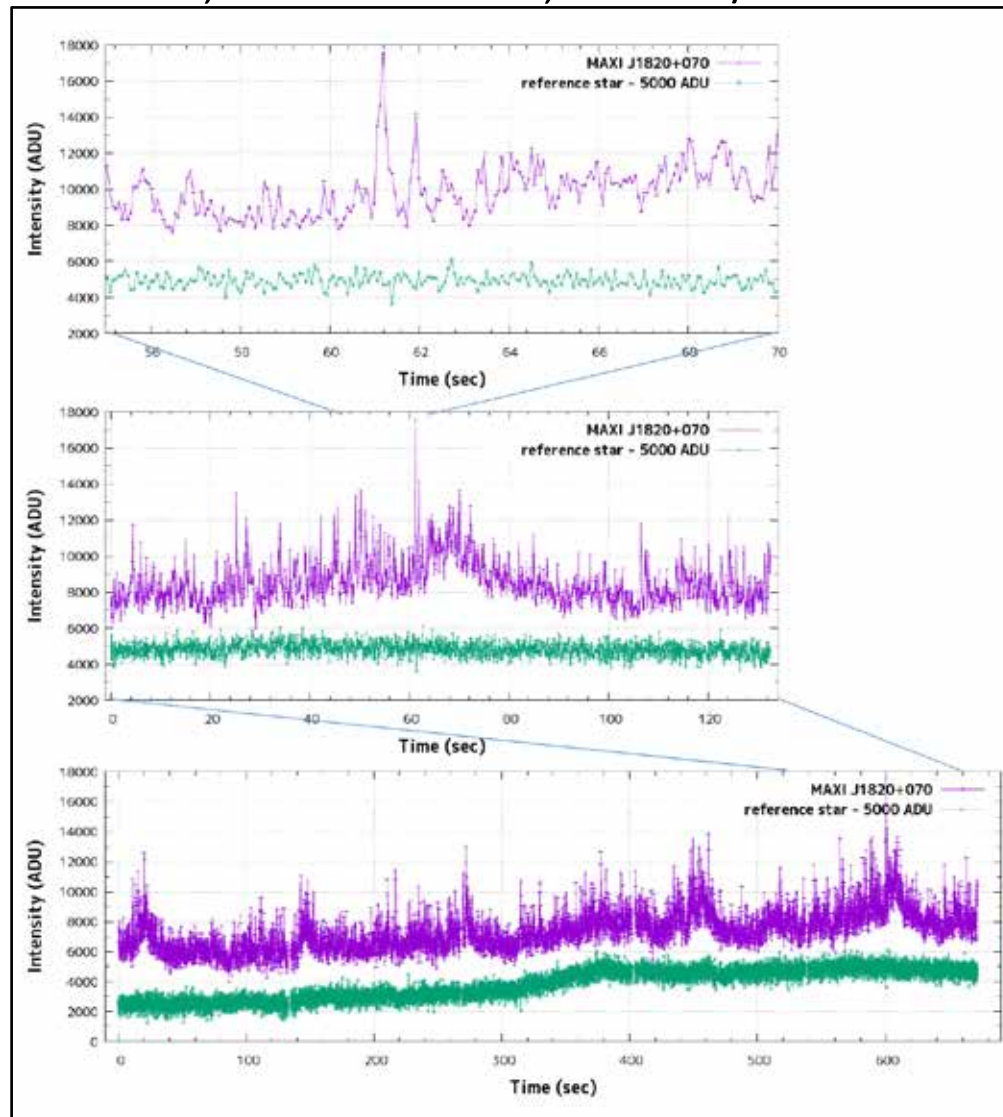
Optical/NIR
Irradiate disk + non-thermal

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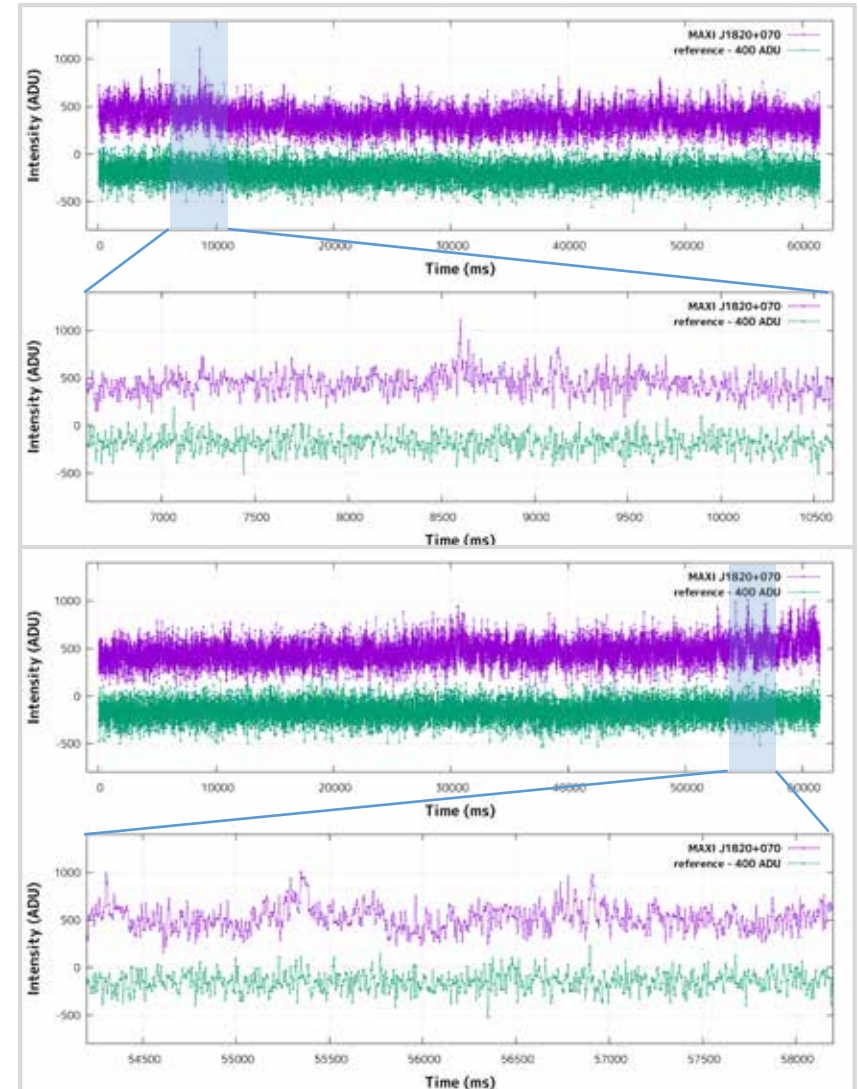
10-msec scale optical flares

Sako et al. 2018
ATel #11426
Tomo-e Gozen
CMOS camera/Kiso

March 14, 18:43-19:20 UT, 16.3 ms/frame



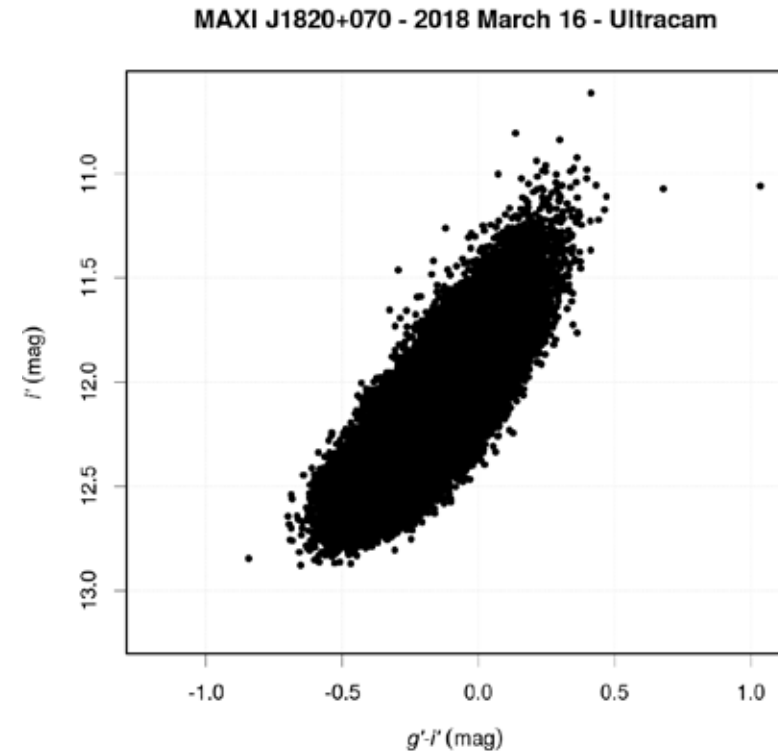
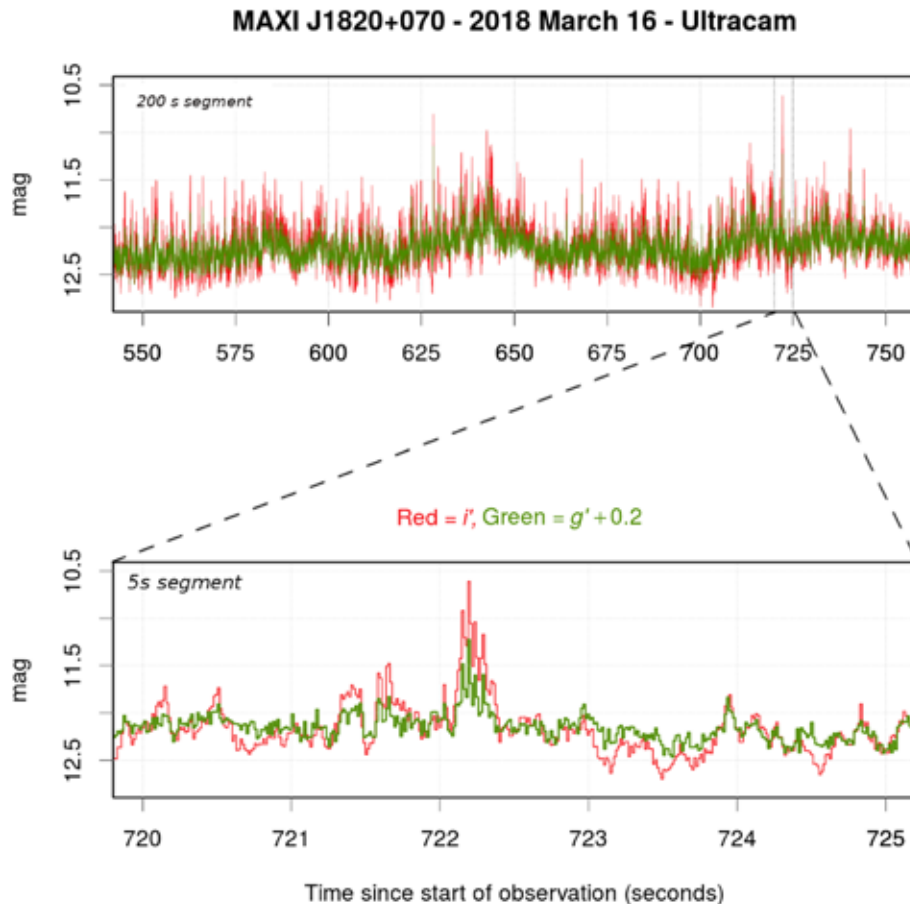
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Red sub-second optical flaring

Gandhi et al. 2018
ATel #11437



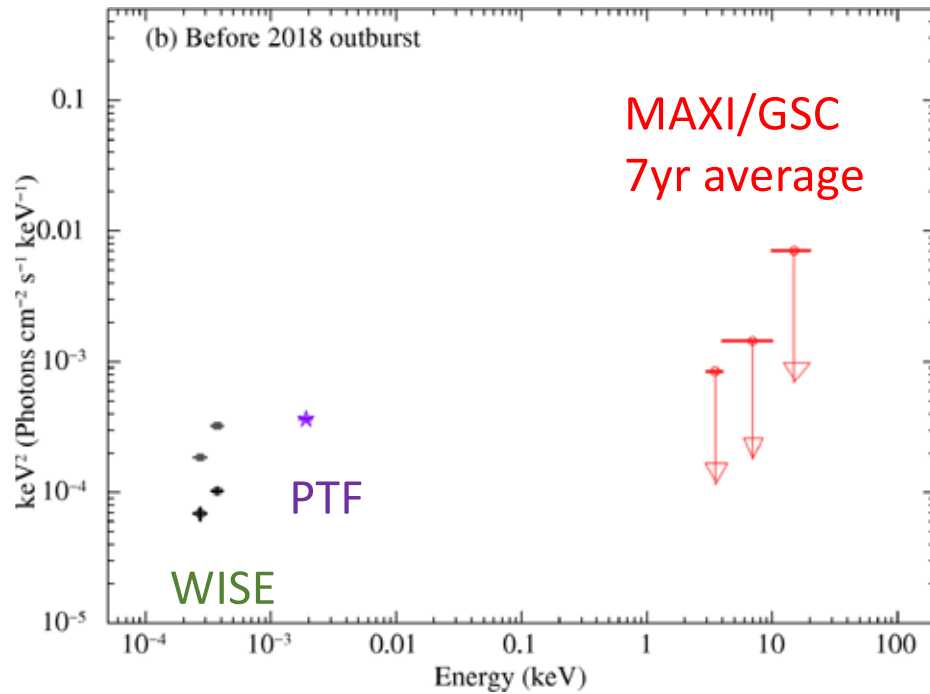
(Top) 200-second segment of simultaneous ULTRACAM lightcurves, sampled at a cycle time of 13.8 ms. The g' band lightcurve has been offset by 0.2 mag to match the r' median. (Bottom) Zoom-in around a rapid sub-second flare with a peak i' amplitude of 1.6 mag and substructure, all within 0.3 s. The stronger red sub-second flaring is apparent in both panels.

Colour-magnitude plot of the ULTRACAM lightcurves, showing the **redder-when-brighter** trend.

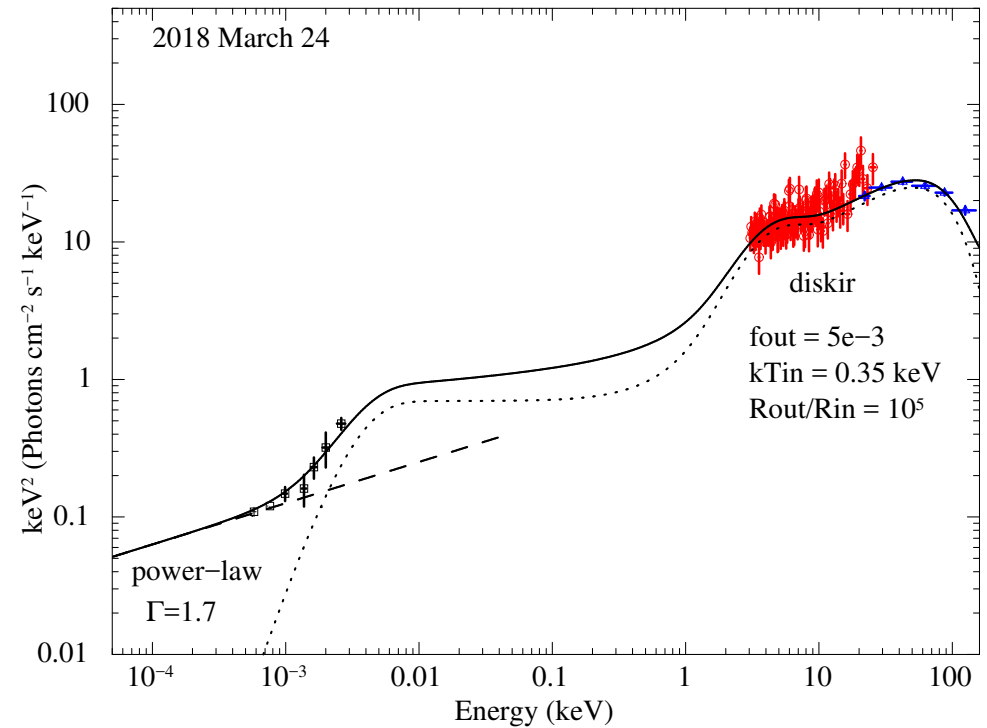
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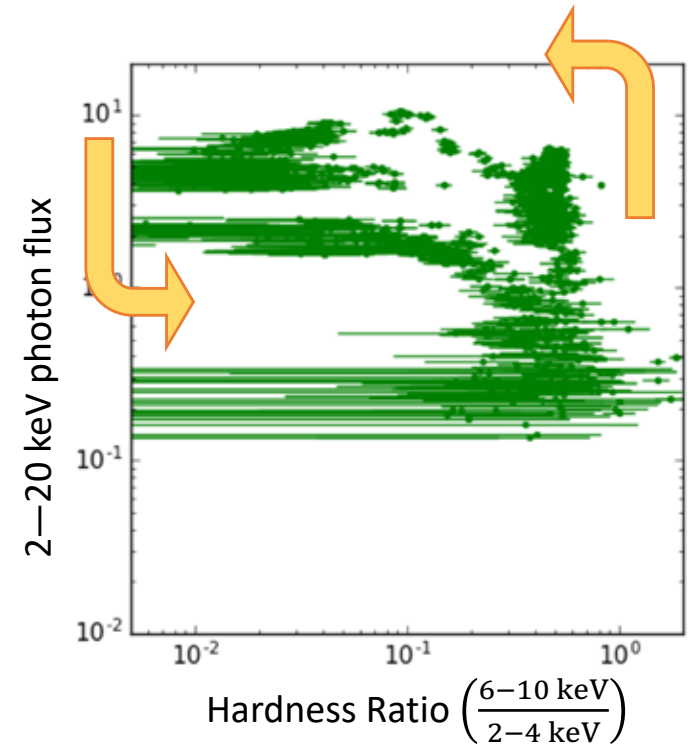
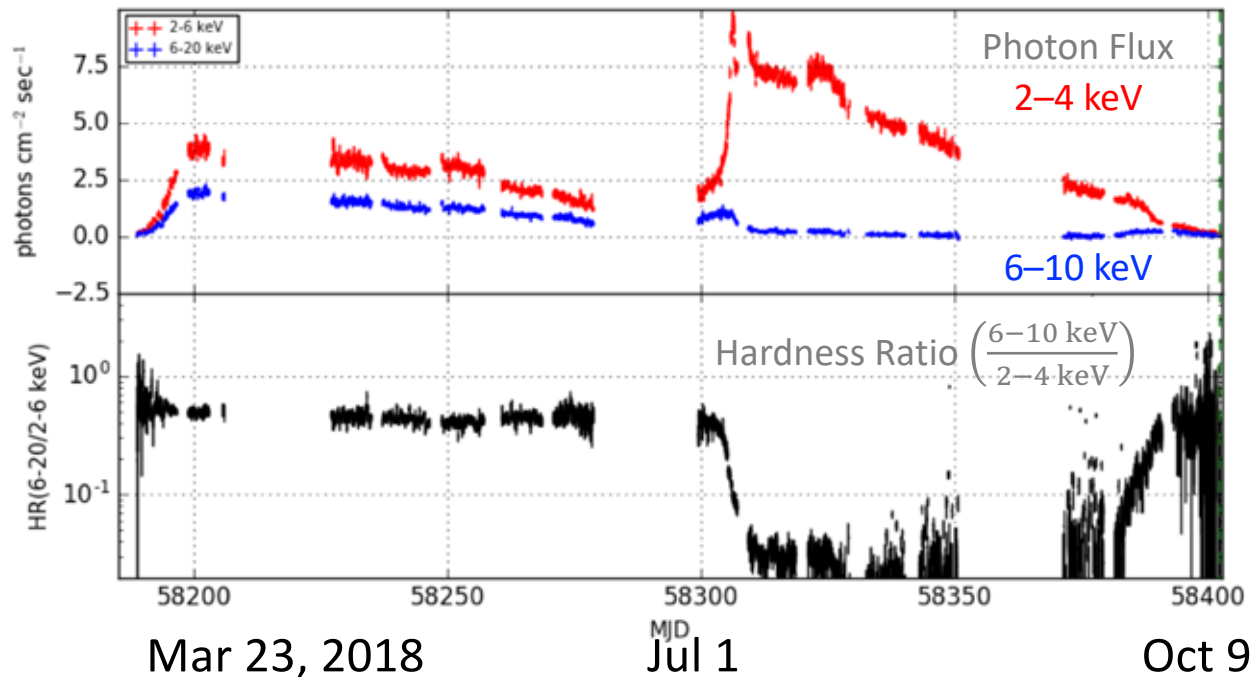


NIR variable in quiescent state



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Latest news on MAXI J1820+070



Hard → Soft State transition at +120 days
Soft → Hard state transition at +190 days

Hardness-Intensity diagram

Summary

- Transient black hole binaries show non-thermal emission in radio-IR-optical bands.
 - Cf. non-thermal X-ray emission - Comptonized
- Probably synchrotron emission from the relativistic jet
- Jet activity in X-ray “low-hard” state
- Also in “very high” or “intermediate state” where the thermal disk emission is present
- Interesting to look for Inverse Compton gamma-ray emission