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Massive stellar BHs in low-metallicity environments

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OUTLINE

1 – state of the art: mass range for stellar BHs

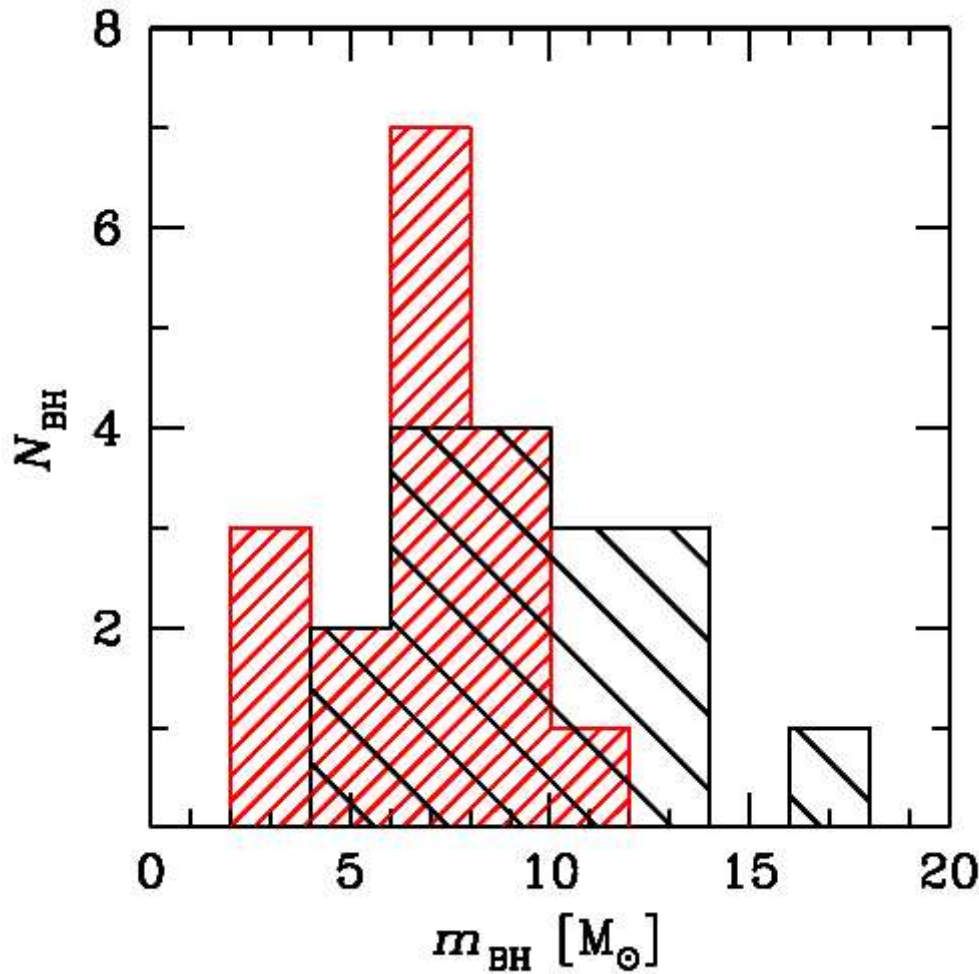
2 - model: predictions for ULXs

3 – comparison data-model for ULXs

4 – ejections of BHs

**1 – STATE OF the ART:
mass range of stellar BHs**

OBSERVATIONS:



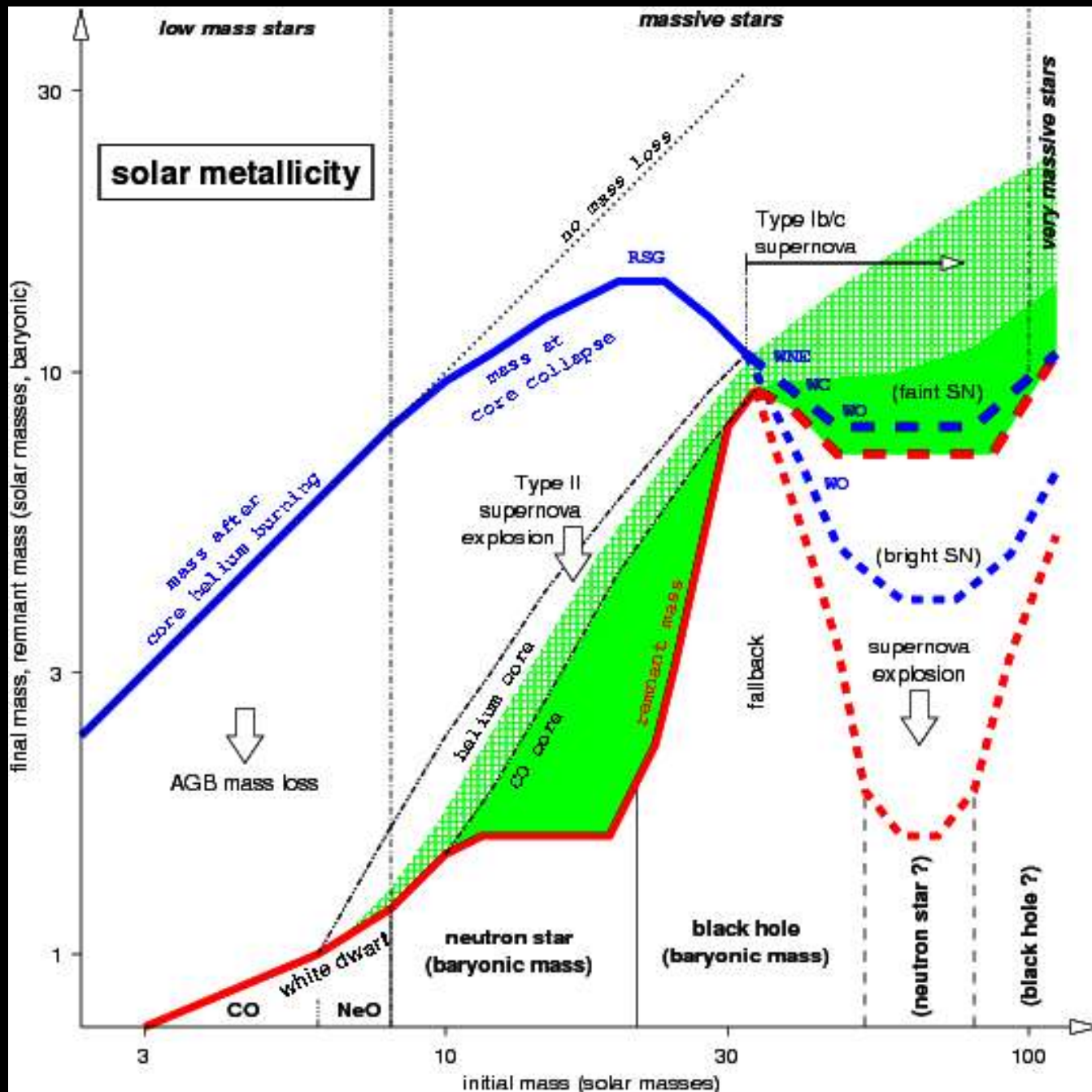
**Distribution of
stellar BH
masses in X-ray
binaries in the
MW:**

**$3M_{\text{sun}} < m_{\text{BH}}$
 $m_{\text{BH}} < 20 M_{\text{sun}}$**

Orosz (2003)

THEORY:

FINAL MASS, REMNANT MASS



INITIAL MASS

Predicted mass
of BHs
after SN:
 $3 M_{\text{sun}} < m_{\text{BH}} < 10 M_{\text{sun}}$

Heger et al. (2002, 2003)

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**BUT: MISSING ELEMENT!!!
THE METALLICITY**

Role of metallicity:

- **STELLAR WINDS** depend on metallicity

$$\dot{M}(Z) \propto \left(\frac{Z}{Z_{\odot}} \right)^{\alpha}$$

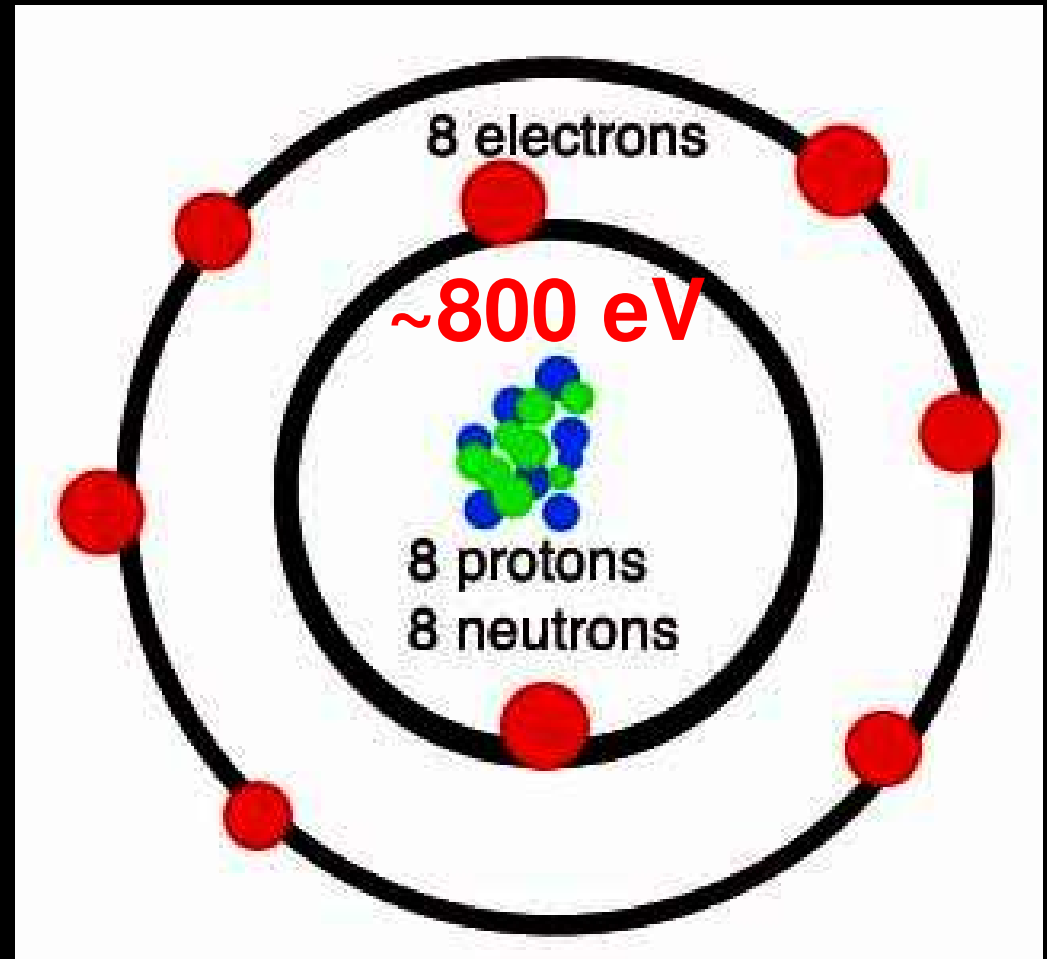
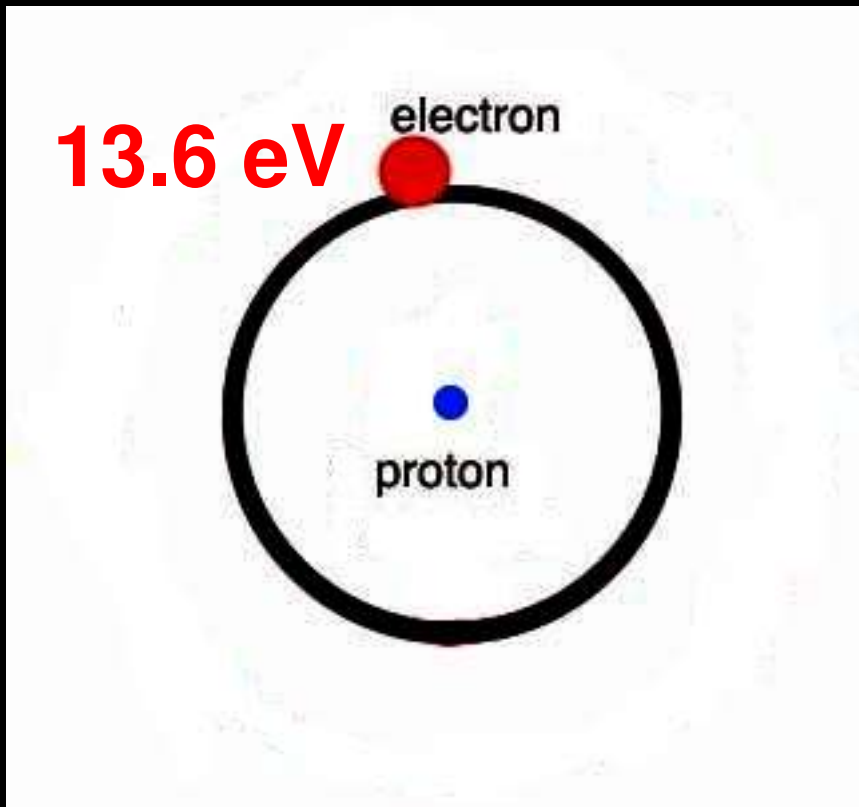
$$\alpha = 0.5 - 0.9$$

Bertelli et al. (2009)

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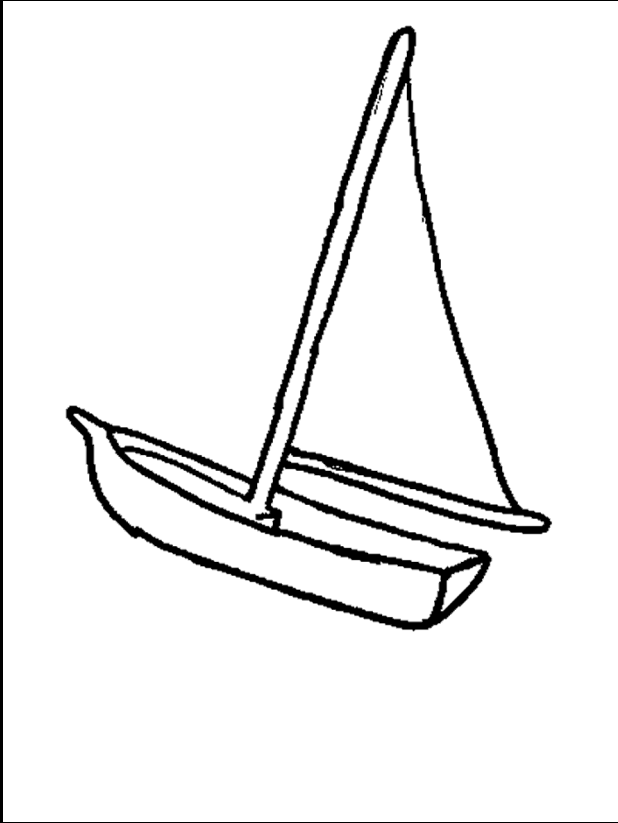
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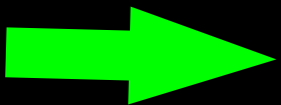


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Role of metallicity:

1. Stars with $M_{\text{fin}} > 40 M_{\text{sun}}$ directly collapse to BHs
(FAILED SUPERNOVAE, Fryer 1999)

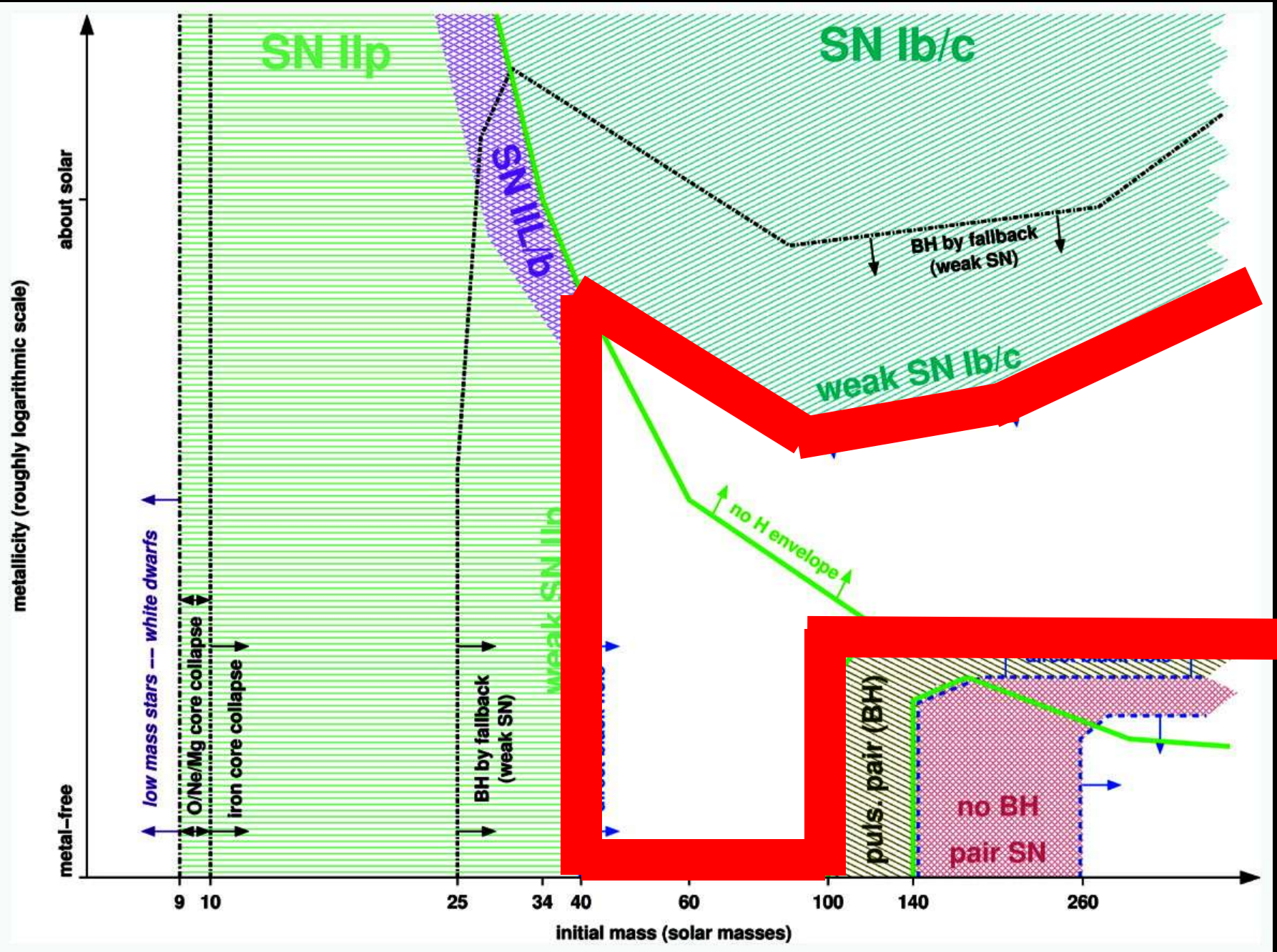
2. STARS DO HAVE $M_{\text{fin}} > 40 M_{\text{sun}}$,
if metallicity is LOW



LOW-METALLICITY STARS
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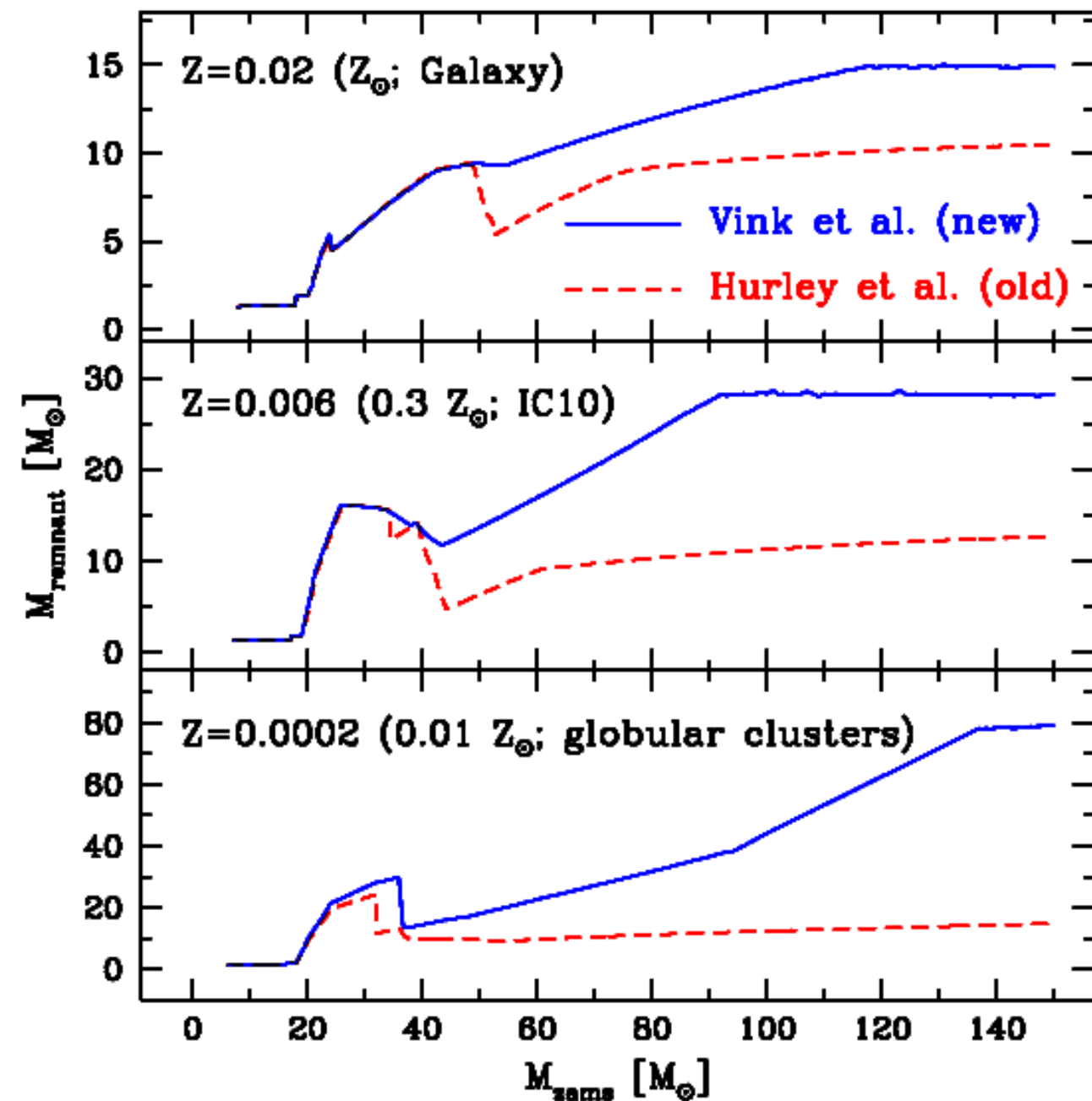
Metallicity



Initial mass (Msun)

Heger et al. (2002, 2003)

Role of metallicity:



**30-80 Msun
BHs can be
formed if
 $Z < 0.4 Z_{\text{sun}}$**

**And so
what?**

**A factor of 3-8 larger mass of
stellar BHs**

**IMPLIES FUNDAMENTAL
DIFFERENCES**

2-MODEL: predictions for ULXs

ULXs: X-ray sources with

$L_x > 10^{39} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$

if ISOTROPIC,

Eddington luminosity of $>7 M_{\text{sun}}$ BH

TOO HIGH!!!

POSSIBLE ORIGIN of ULXs:

1. beamed emission;

2. super-Eddington luminosity;

3. IMBHs;

4. massive BHs in low-metallicity

environments!!!

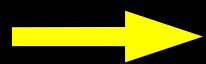
Can we estimate the number of these BHs?

from SFR + lifetime of companion + IMF:

$$N_{\text{BH}} = A \int_{m_{\text{prog}}(Z)}^{m_{\text{max}}} m^{-\alpha} dm$$

$$A = \frac{\text{SFR} t_{\text{co}}}{\int_{m_{\text{min}}}^{m_{\text{max}}} m^{1-\alpha} dm}$$

~10⁵ massive BHs in Cartwheel for

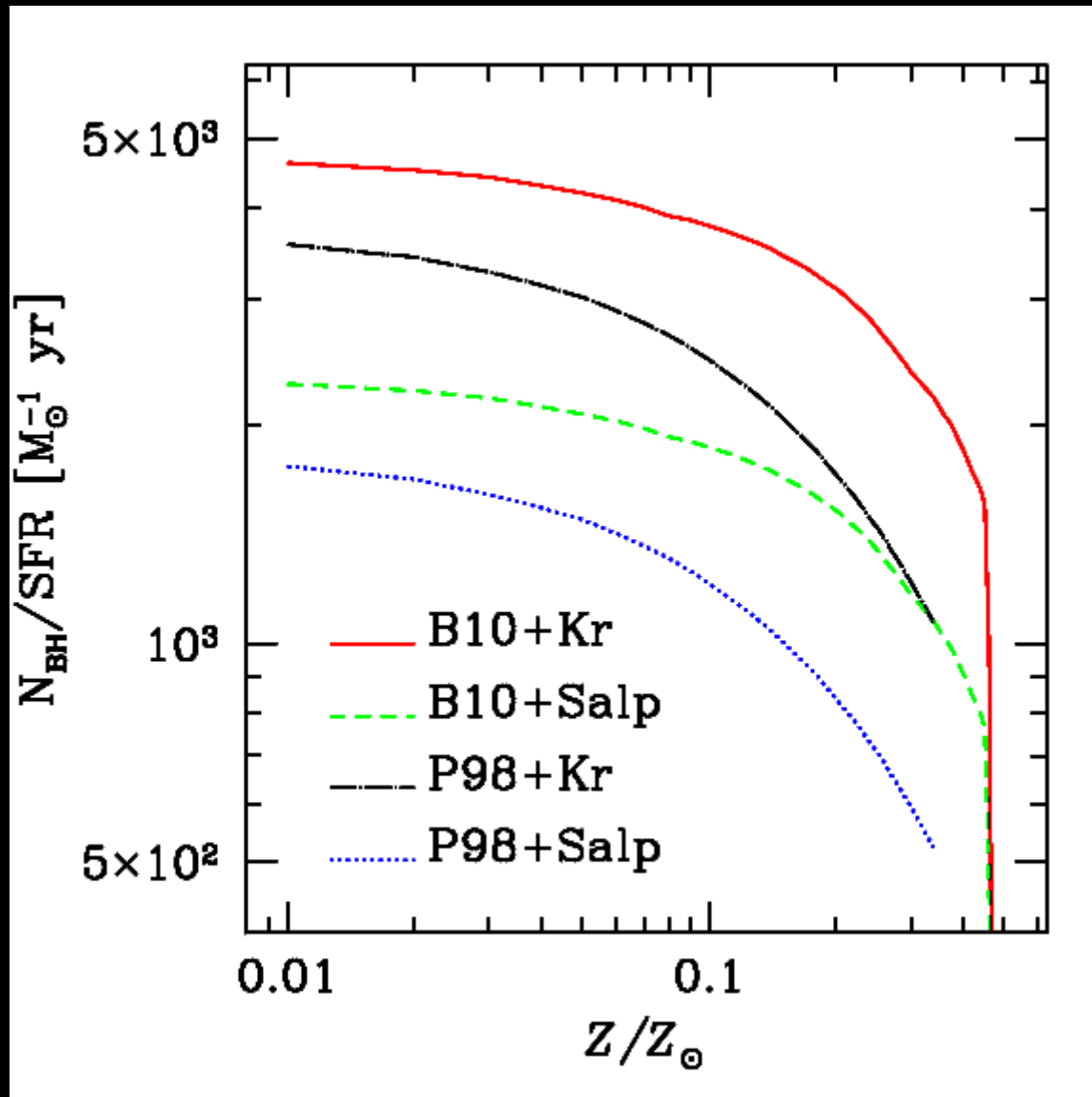


SFR=20 Msun yr⁻¹, t_{co}=10⁷ yr,

Salpeter or Kroupa IMF

MM, Colpi & Zampieri 2009

$N_{\text{BH}}/\text{SFR}-Z$



3 – comparison data - model

The SAMPLE

66 GALAXIES with

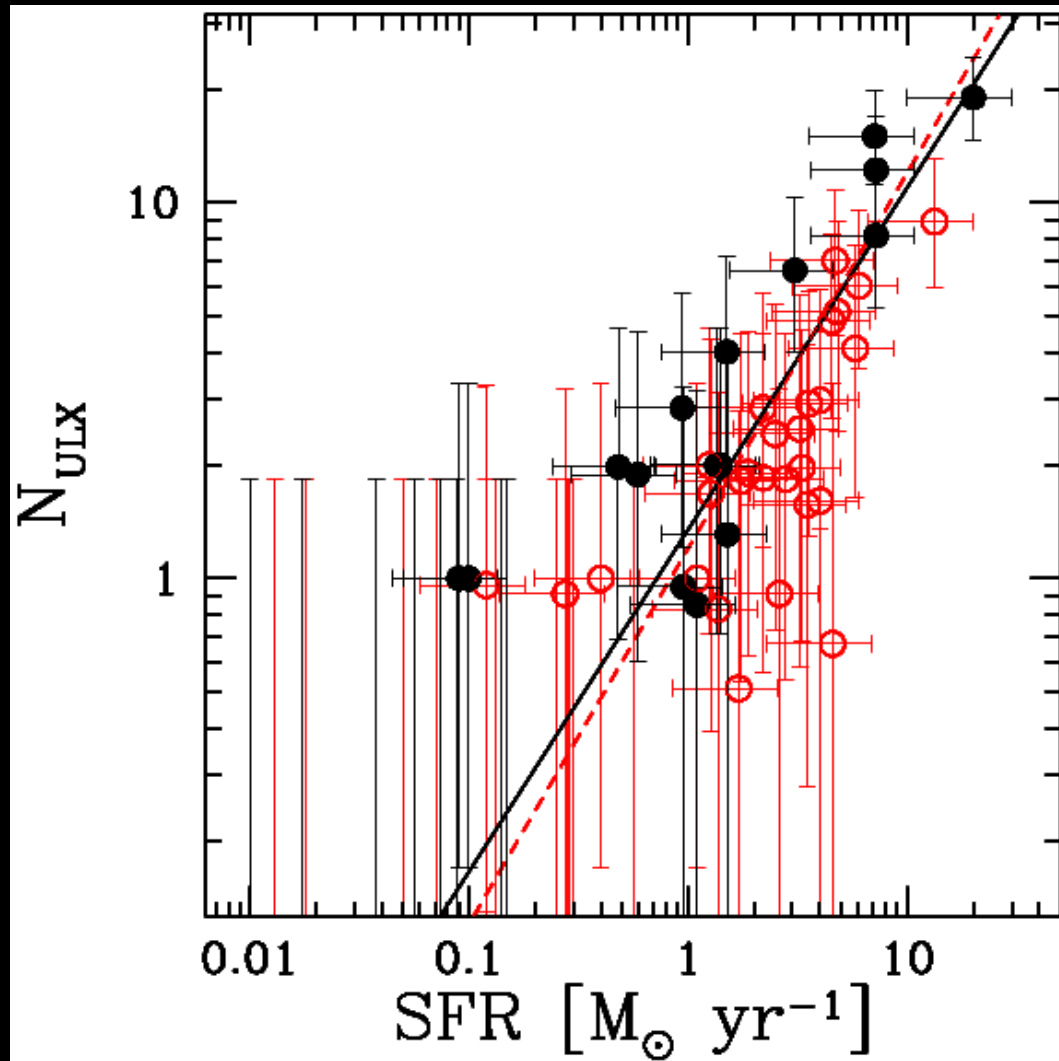
1) X-ray coverage (Rosat catalogue ->Liu & Bregman 2005, Chandra, XMM)

2) SFR measurement (H α , FIR, UV, radio,..)

3) homogeneous metallicity measurement and calibration (Pilyugin 2001 calibration)

4) spiral&irregular no ellipticals

NULX-SFR



$$\delta = 0.91^{+0.25}_{-0.15}$$

$$\zeta = 0.13^{+0.10}_{-0.14}$$

consistent with e.g. Grimm,
Gilfanov, Sunyaev 2003;
Ranalli, Comastri &
Setti 2003

$$N_{\text{ULX}} = 10^{\zeta} \left(\frac{\text{SFR}}{M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}} \right)^{\delta}$$

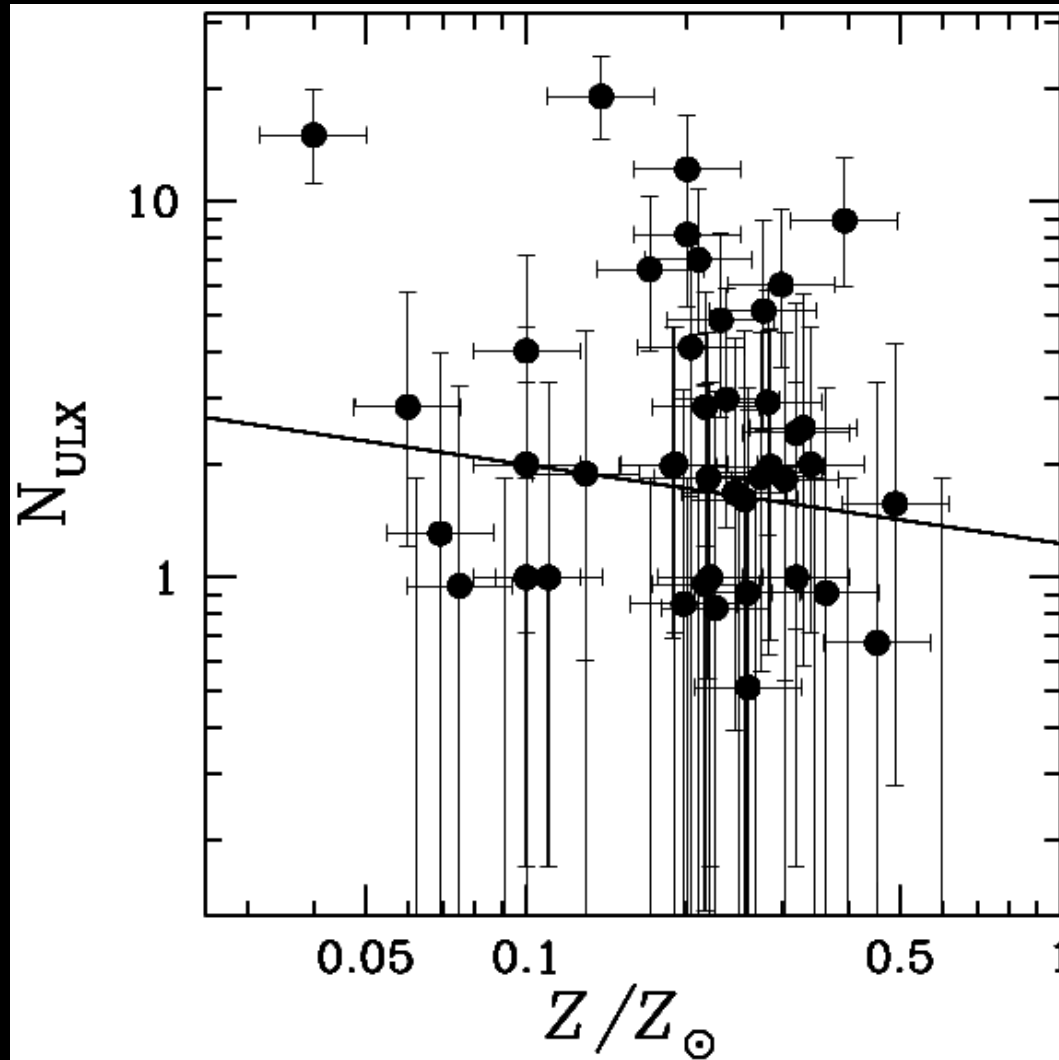
MM et al. 2010a

NBH-SFR

**In the DATA: NuLX scales with SFR
(slope = 0.91 +/- 0.2)**

**In the model: We DO assume that NBH
scales with SFR (slope = 1)**

NULX-Z



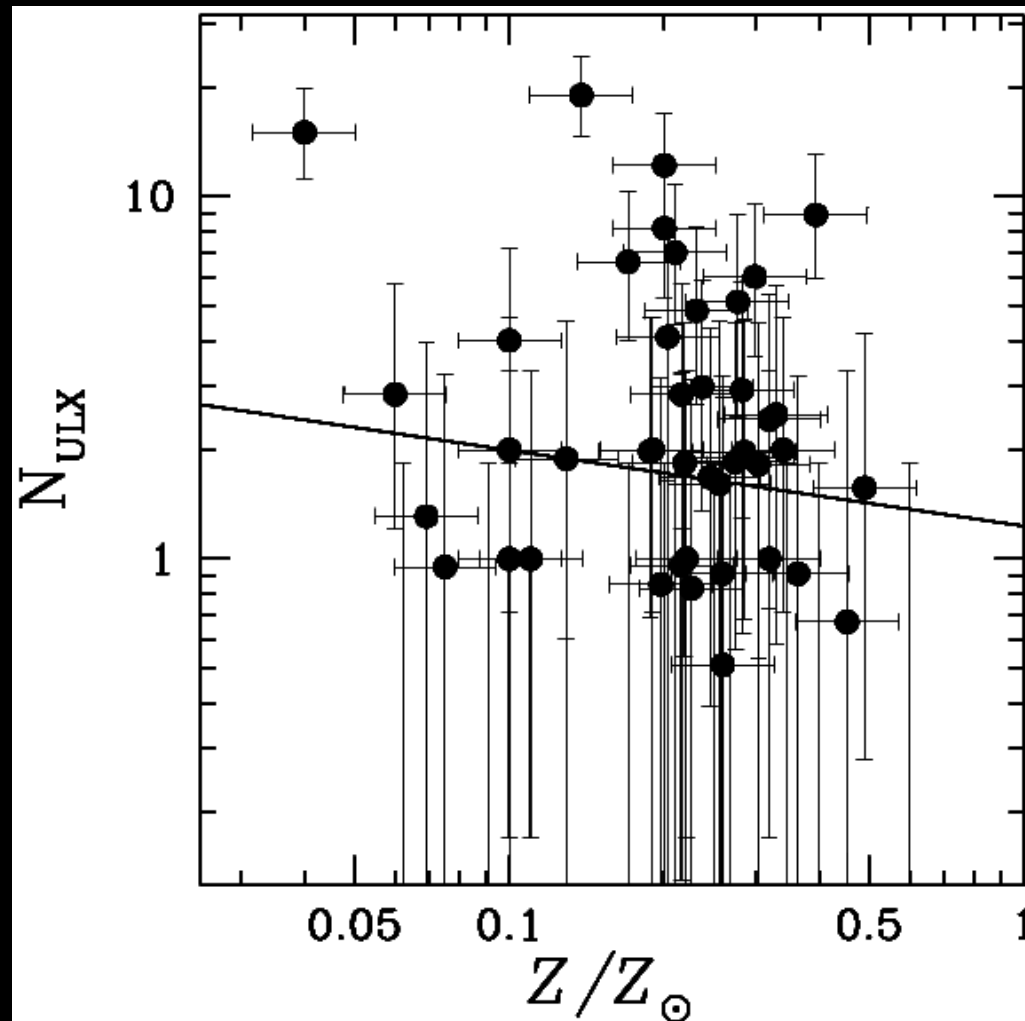
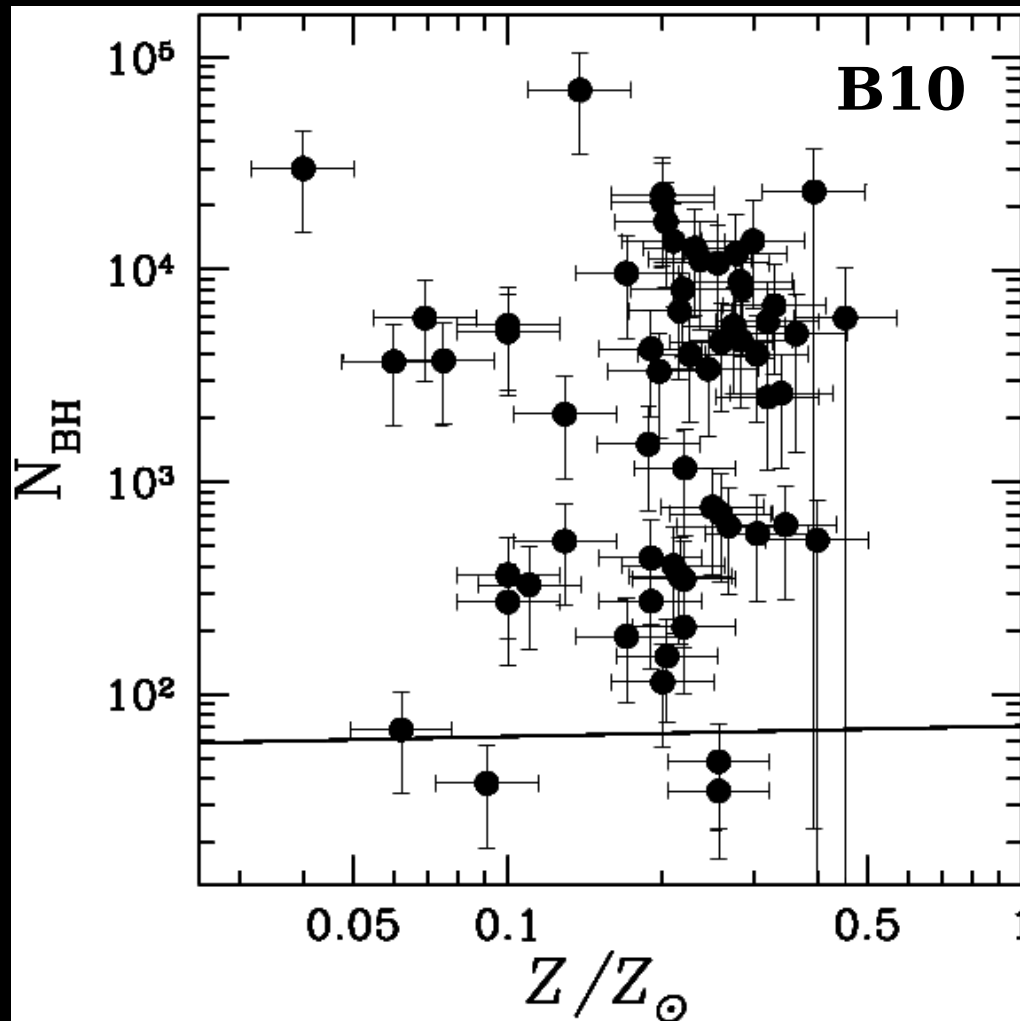
$$\eta = -0.21 \pm 0.27$$

$$\theta = 0.09 \pm 0.20$$

**NOT
statistically
significant!!**

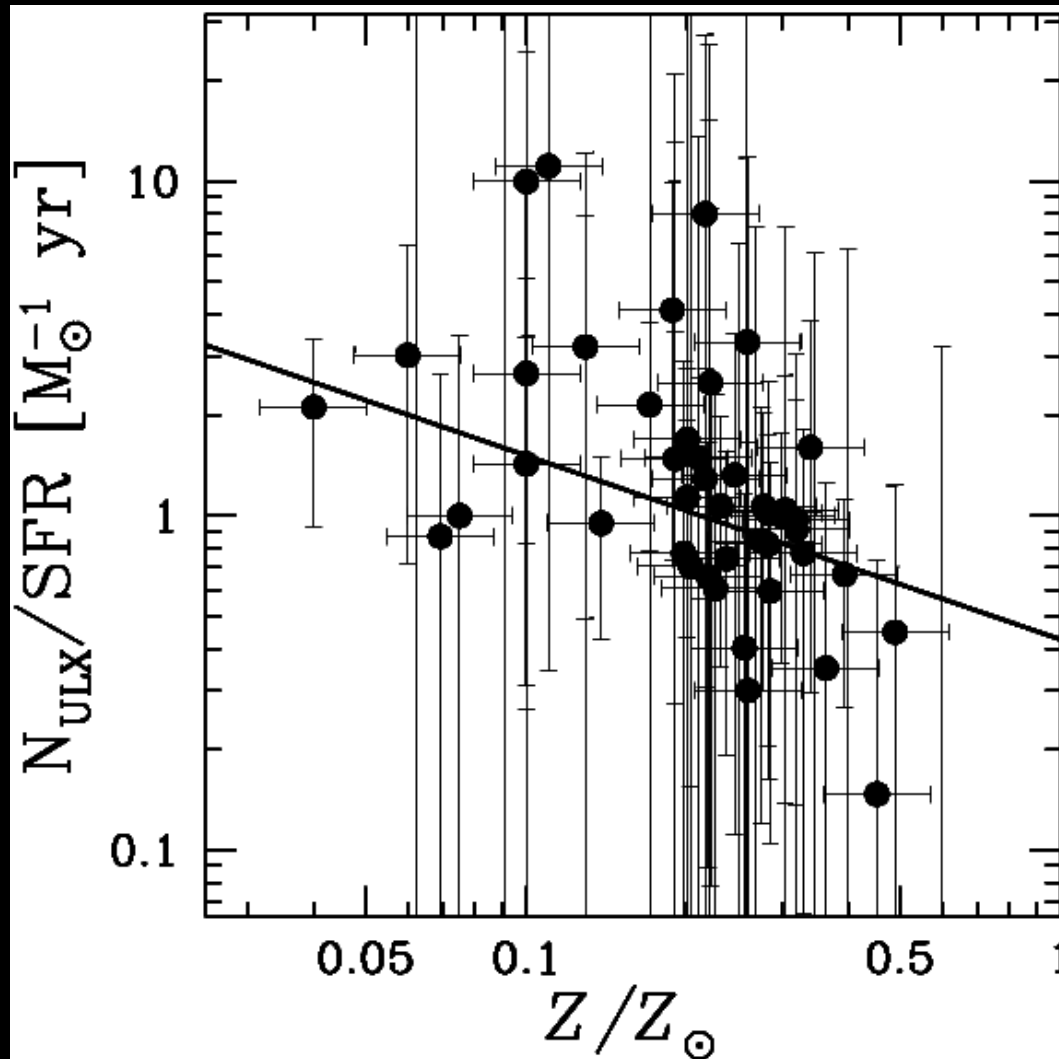
$$N_{\text{ULX}} = 10^{\theta} (Z/Z_{\odot})^{\eta}$$

NBH-Z



**Not statistically significant in model
& data**

NULX/SFR-Z



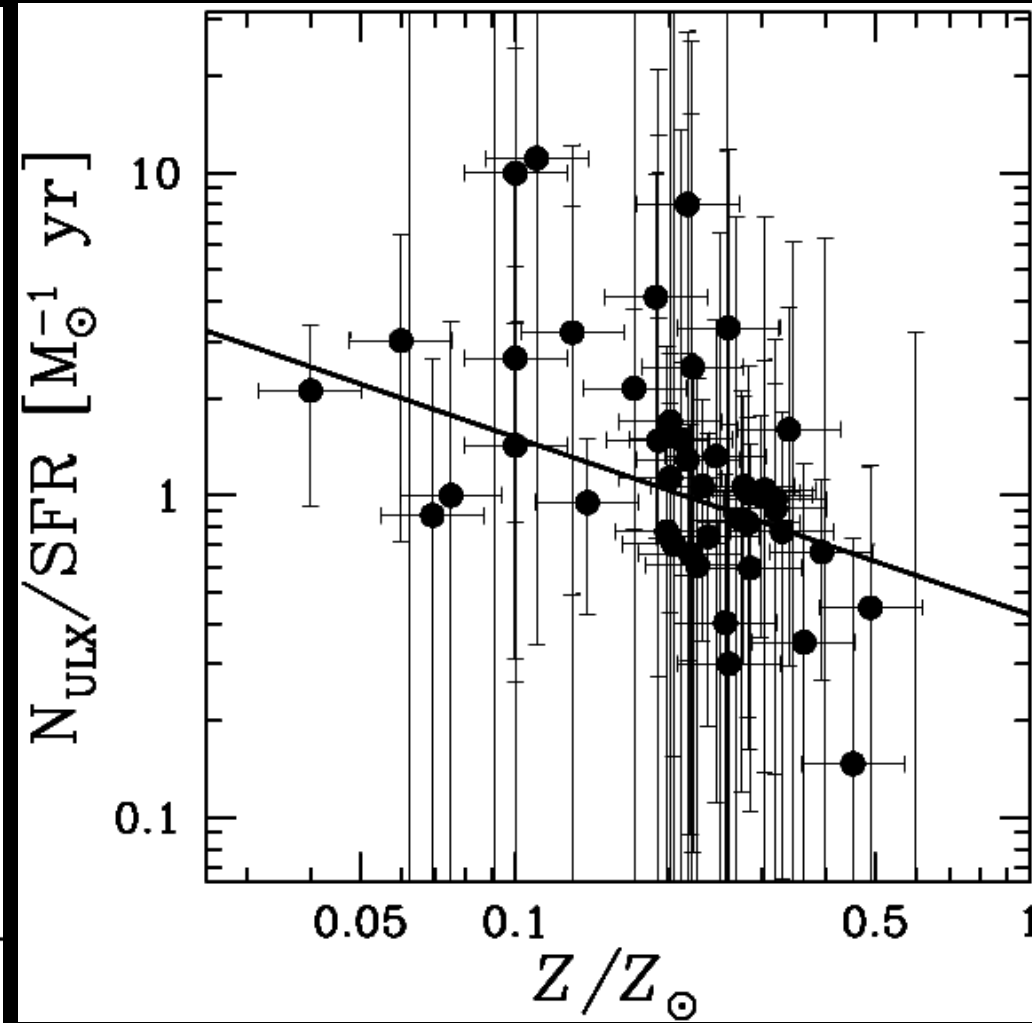
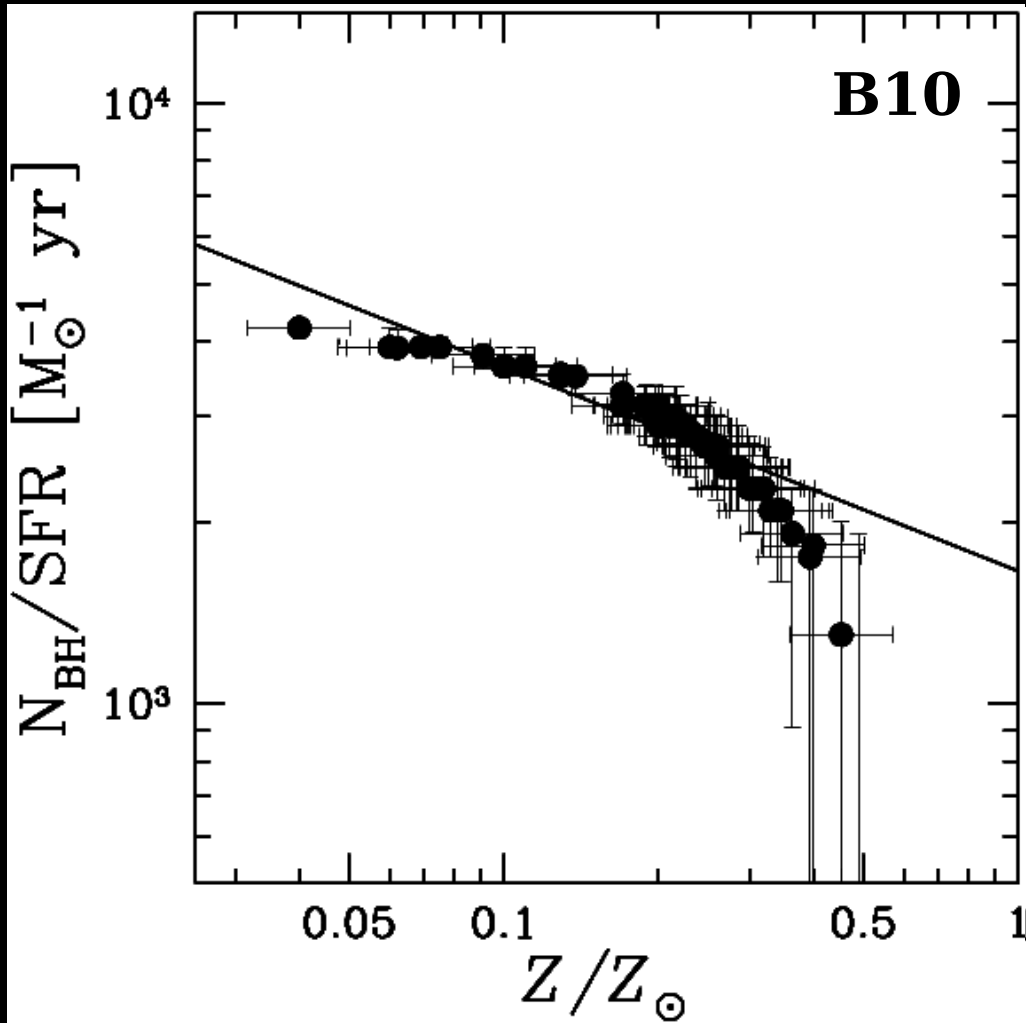
$$\iota_1 = -0.55 \pm 0.23$$

$$\kappa_1 = -0.37 \pm 0.18$$

**With F-test
significant
at 96%
confidence
level**

$$\left(N_{\text{ULX}} \frac{M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}}{\text{SFR}} \right) = 10^{\kappa_1} (Z/Z_{\odot})^{\iota_1}$$

$N_{\text{BH}}/\text{SFR}-Z$



Slope of the model = -0.6 — -0.34

Slope of the data = -0.55 +/- 0.2

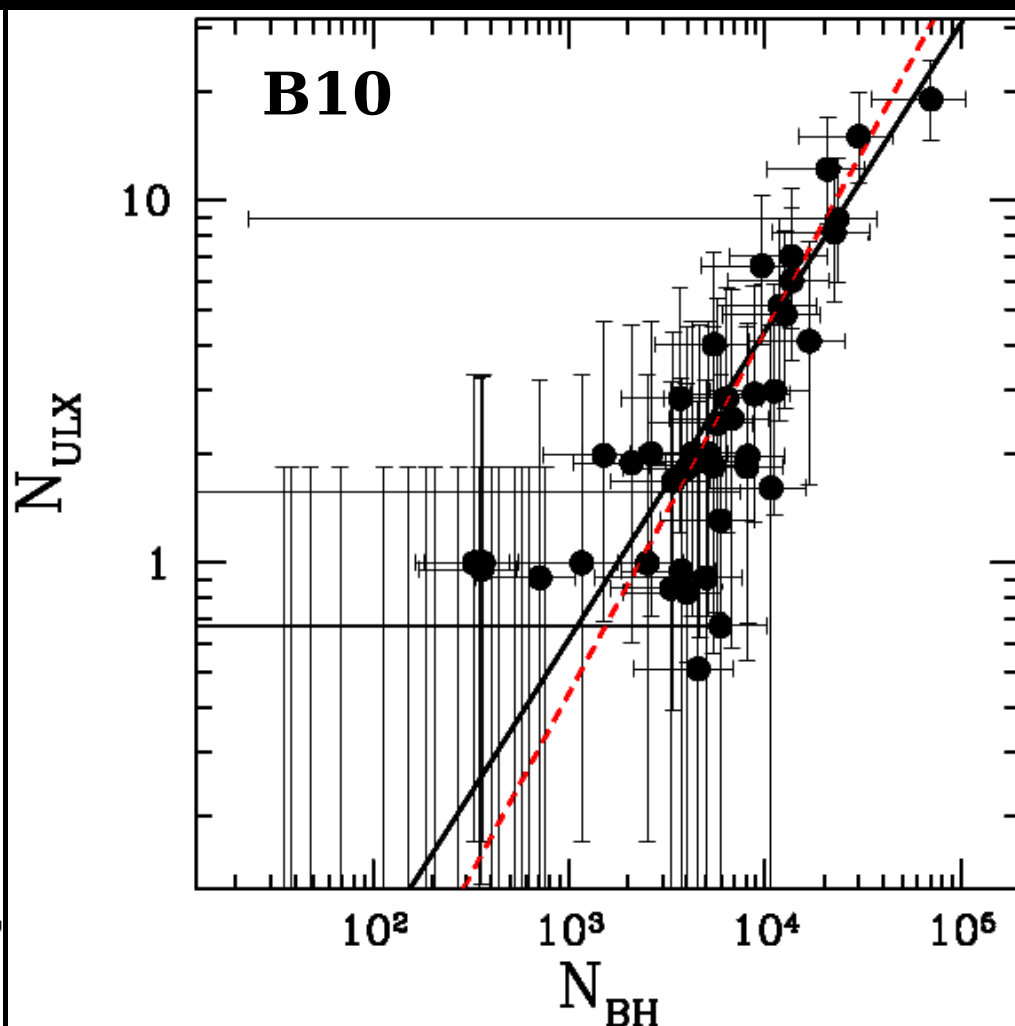
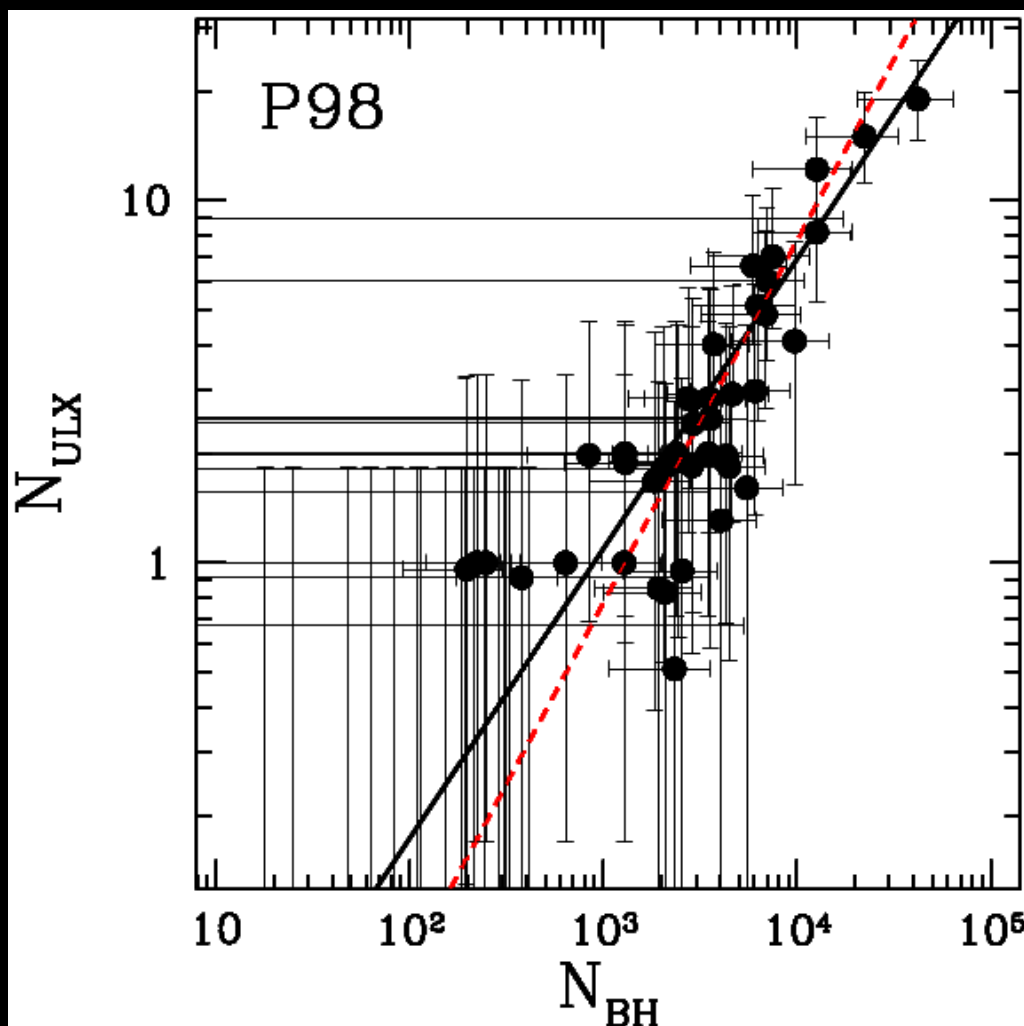
NULX/SFR-Z

Possible role of metallicity (less important than SFR) in forming ULXs

**consistent with previous studies:
Pakull & Mirioni (2002), Cropper et al. (2004), Zampieri et al. (2004), Swartz et al. (2008); Mapelli, Colpi & Zampieri (2009); Zampieri & Roberts (2009), etc.**

NBH-NULX

$$N_{\text{ULX}} = 10^\gamma N_{\text{BH}}^\beta$$



$$\beta = 0.80^{+0.16}_{-0.12}$$

$$\gamma = -2.36^{+0.45}_{-0.62}$$

$$\beta = 0.85^{+0.19}_{-0.13}$$

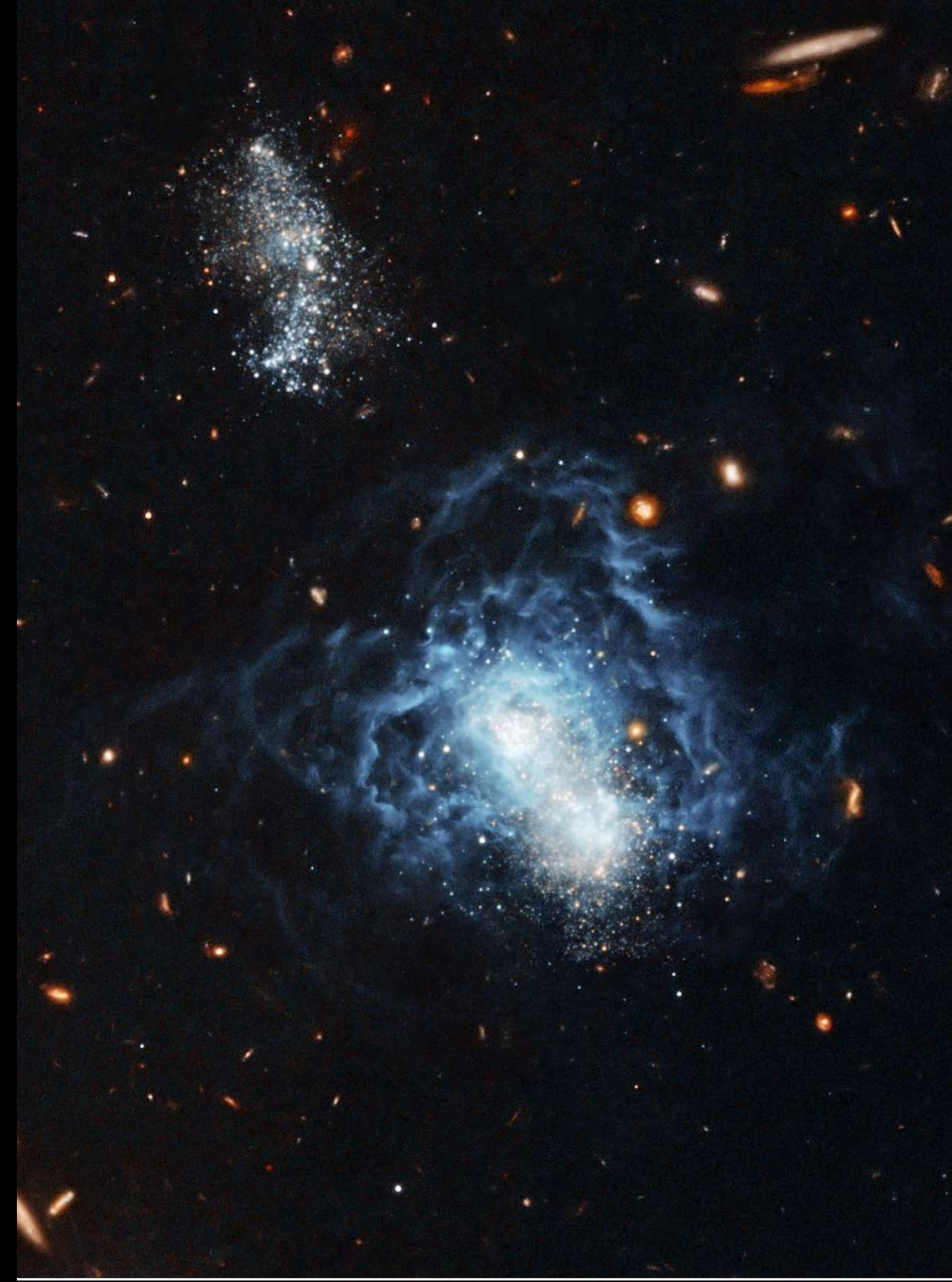
$$\gamma = -2.76^{+0.53}_{-0.76}$$

**We must increase
the SAMPLE:**

**EXTREMELY METAL
DEFICIENT GALAXIES
(XMDs)**

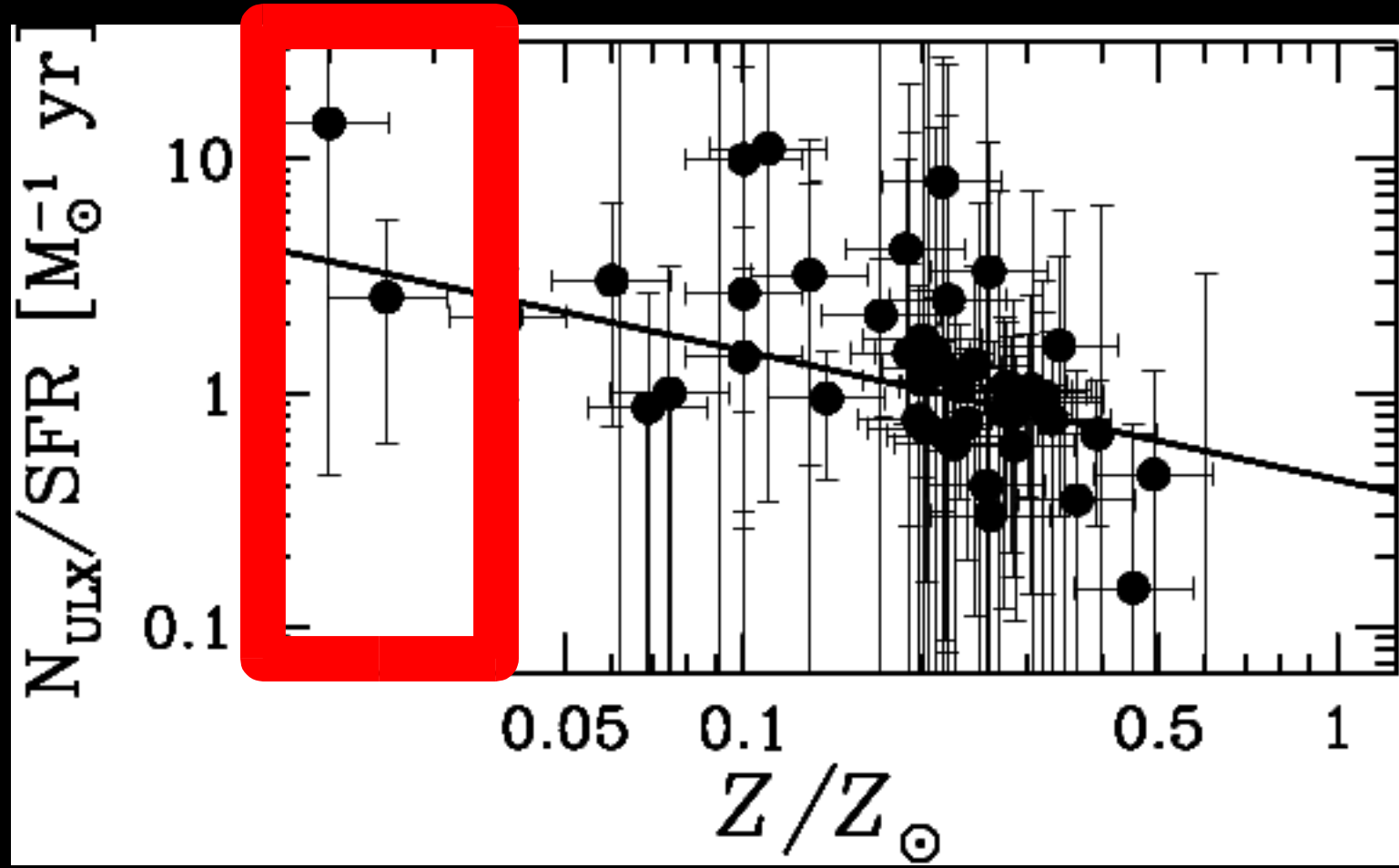
- $Z < \sim 1/20 Z_{\text{sun}}$
- low mass
- high SPECIFIC SFR
- ULXs

(e.g. Thuan et al. 2004)



Galaxy I Zwicky 18
Hubble Space Telescope • ACS/WFC

PRELIMINAR RESULT: 2 XMDs



THEORETICAL ISSUES:

1) How can HMXBs form including BHs born through direct collapse?

2) Alternative scenarios predicting NULX-Z relation (e.g. Mass transfer more efficient in low metallicity, Linden et al. 2010)

4 – ejections

Massive BHs affect DYNAMICS in STELLAR CLUSTERS (globular & young):

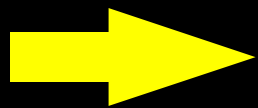
- collisional systems:

half-mass relax. time $\ll \sim$ Gyr

- core dominated by 3-, 4-, N- body encounters;

- 30-80 Msun BHs are the most massive objects in star clusters

$$\nu_{3b} \propto \frac{M a}{\sigma}$$



Massive BHs likely dominate dynamics in star clusters

Massive BHs affect DYNAMICS in STELLAR CLUSTERS (globular & young):

is it important??????

ULXs found displaced (0.1-1 kpc) from

SF regions (Zezas et al. 2002; Swartz et al. 2009; Berghea 2009 PhD thesis)

is it due to ejections?

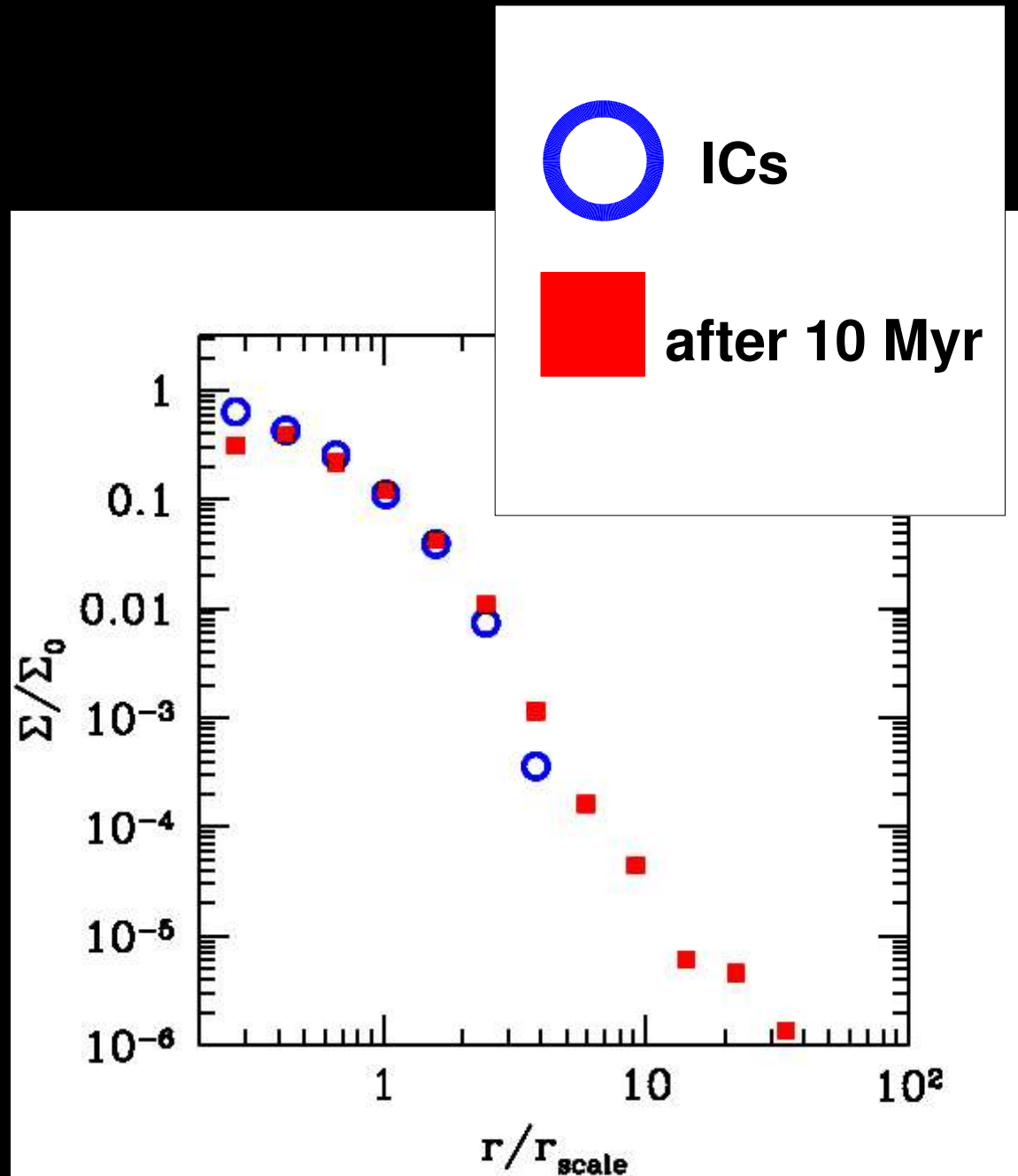
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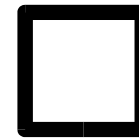
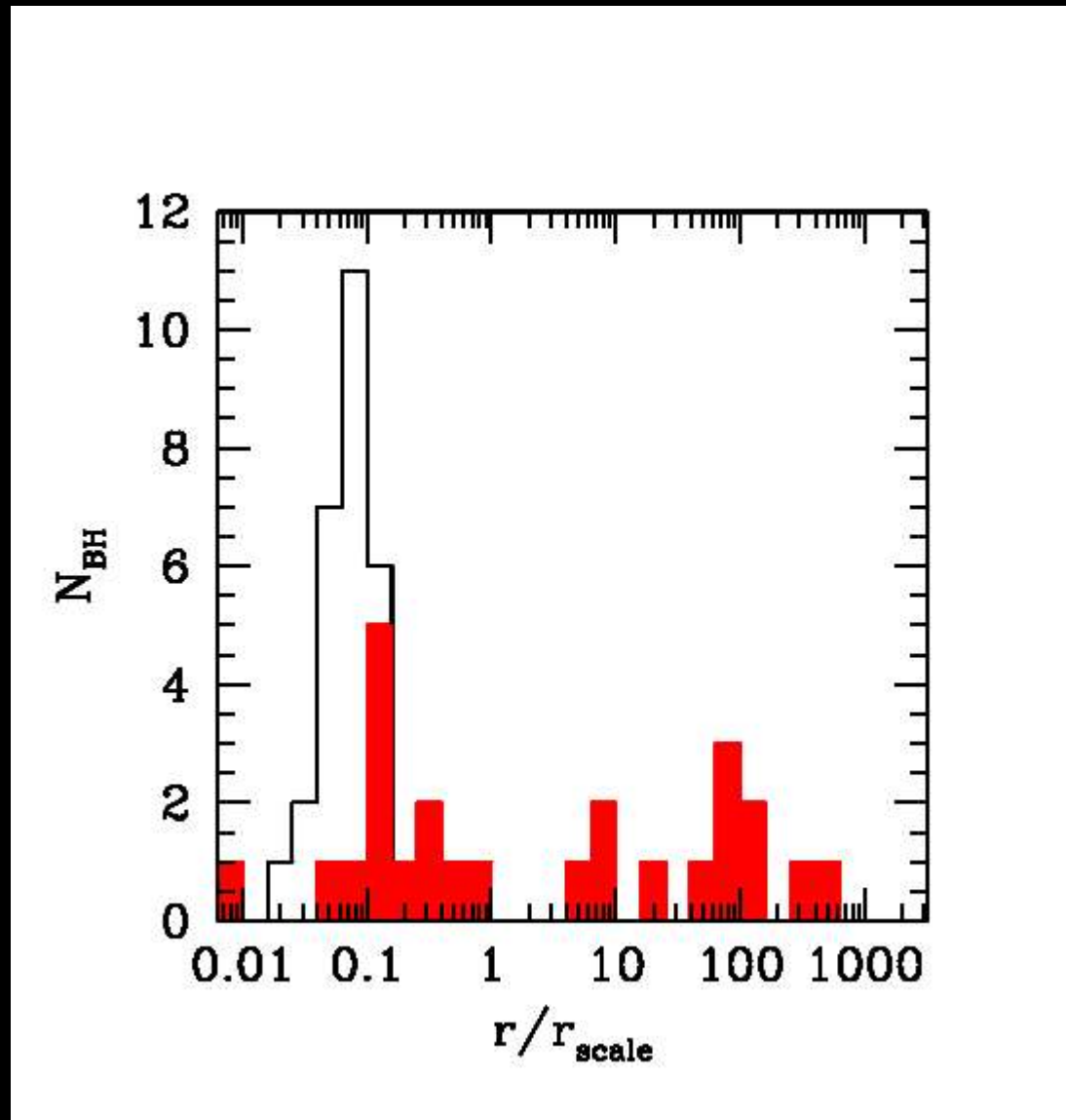
- multiple realization of a star cluster (5000 stars, ~3000 Msun, Salpeter IMF, King profile $W=5$)

- massive BH (~50 Msun) binary

- direct integration of 3-body encounters



Simulations of young star clusters + massive BH binary with Starlab:



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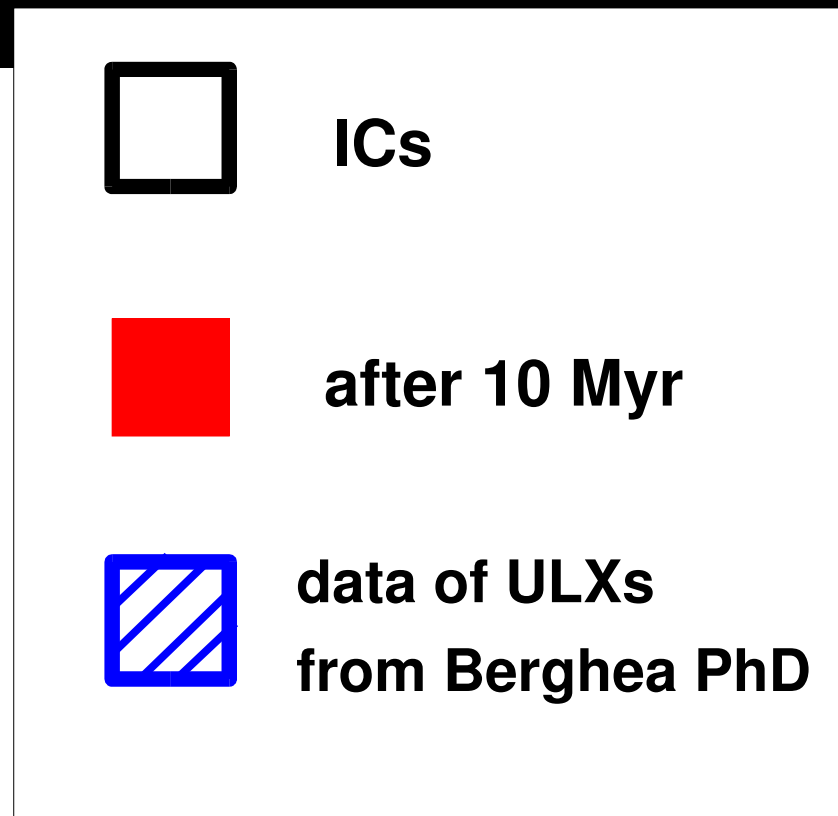
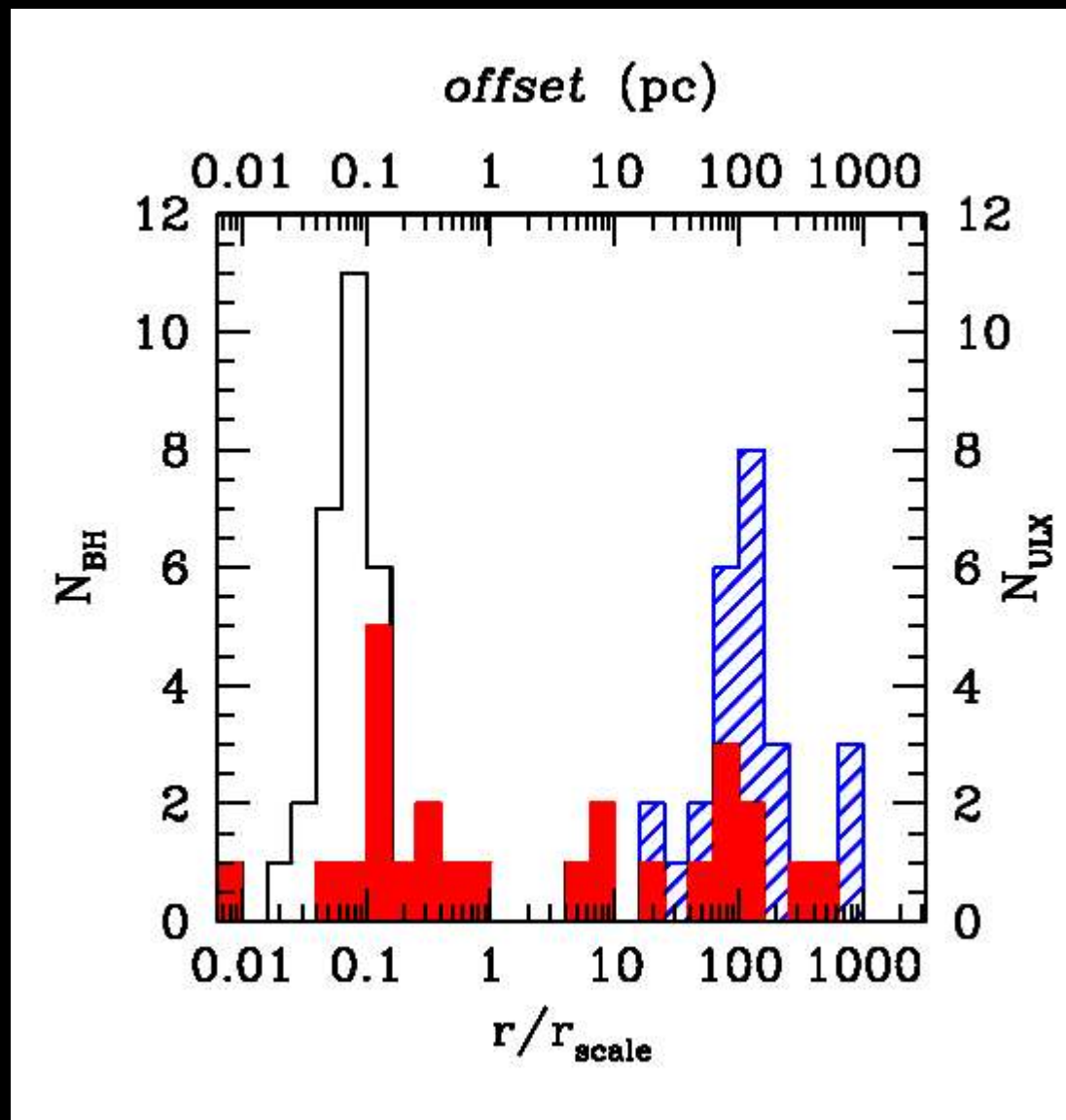


after 10 Myr

~30-40 %

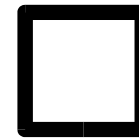
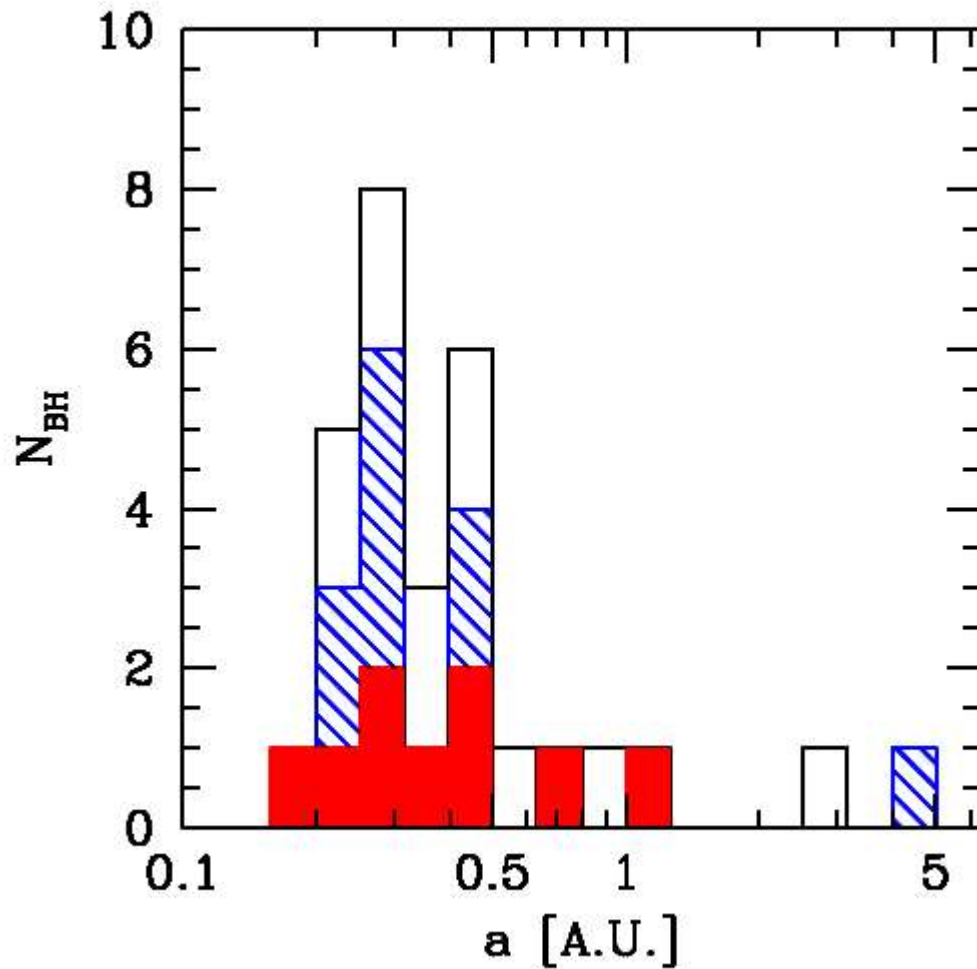
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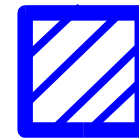
More data from Starlab simulations: semi-major axis



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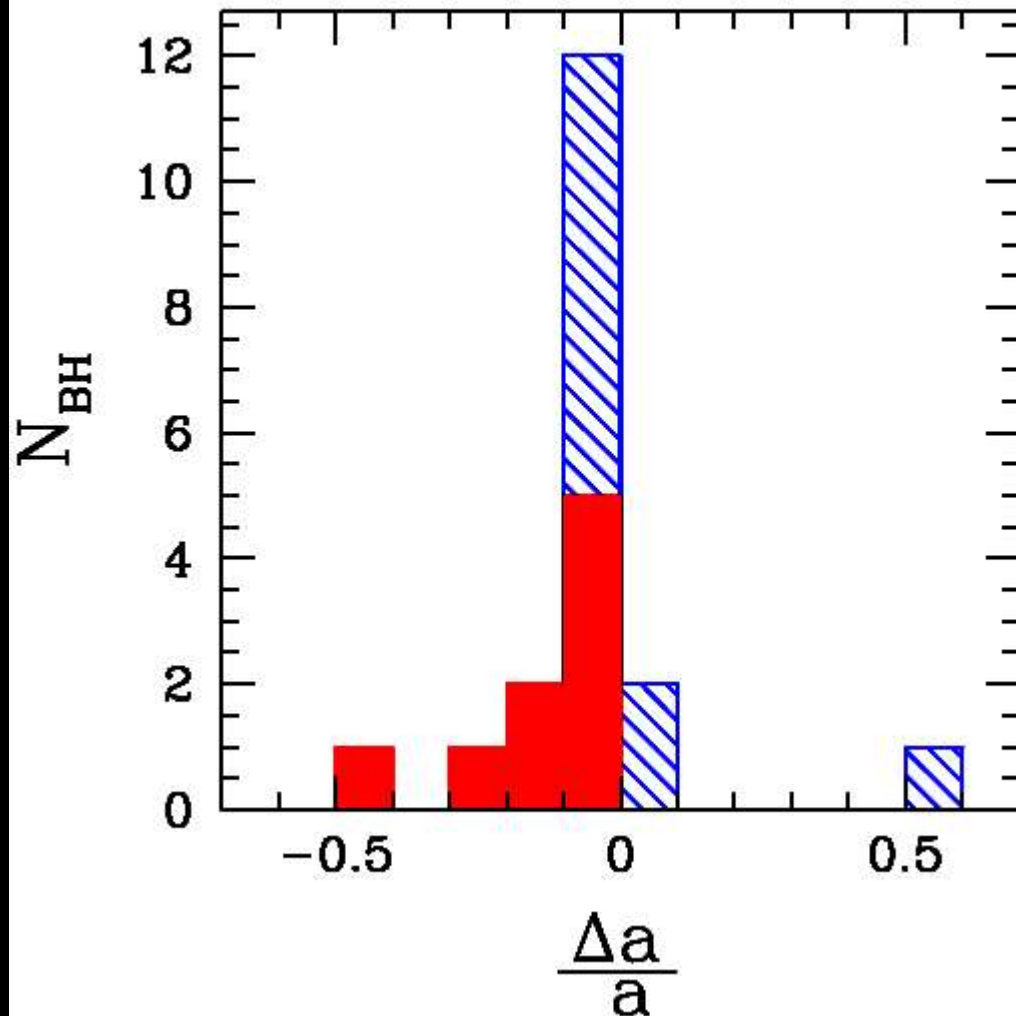
EJECTED
after 10 Myr



INSIDE cluster
after 10 Myr

**no large difference
in orbital separation,**

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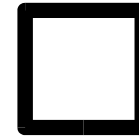
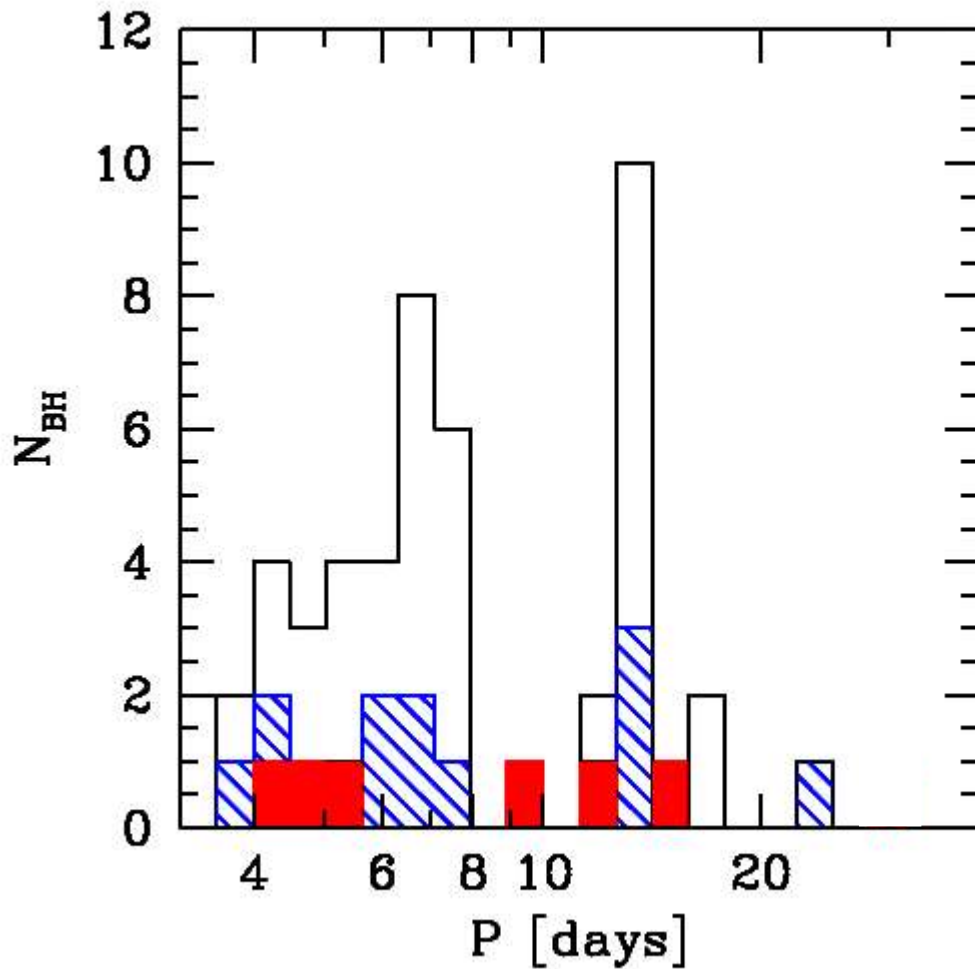


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**but all ejected
binaries shrink
(kick sufficient for
HMXBs?)**

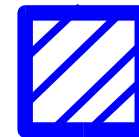
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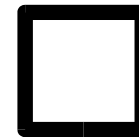
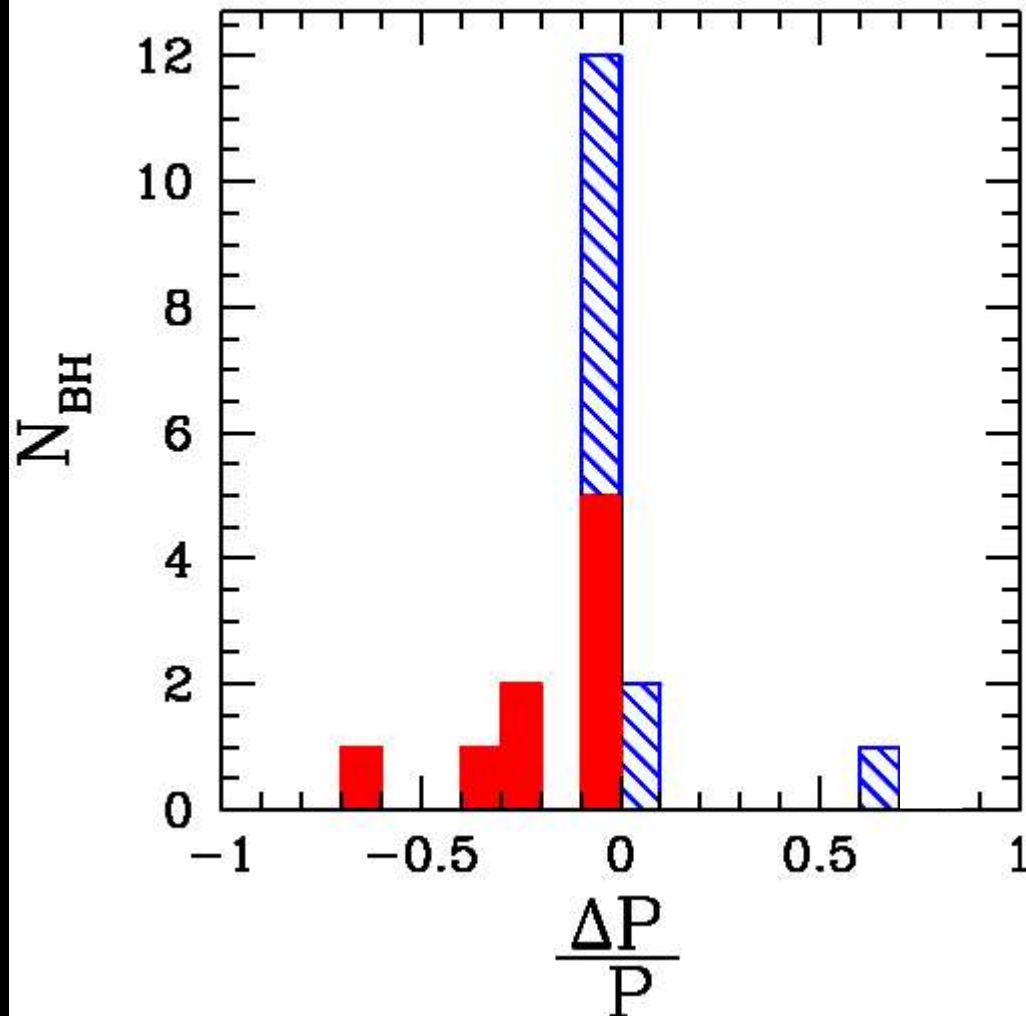
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P in HMXB range

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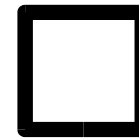
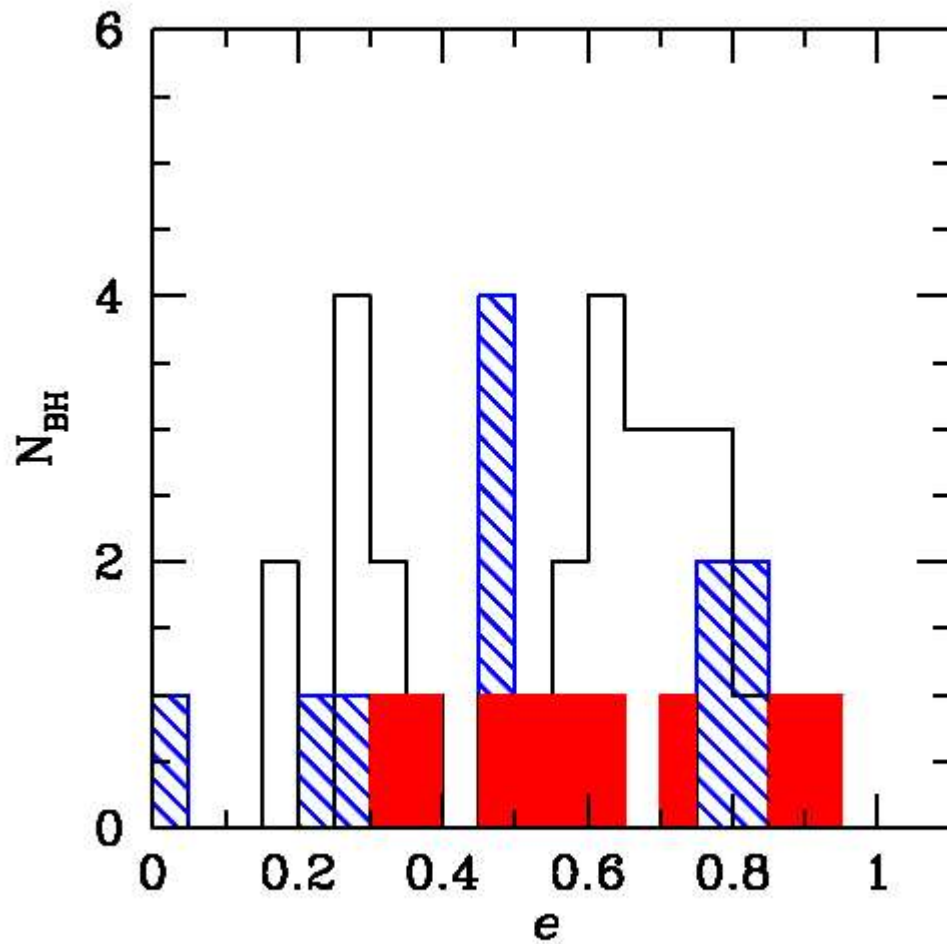
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**P reduces in
ejected binaries**

More data from Starlab simulations: eccentricity



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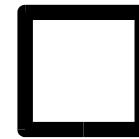
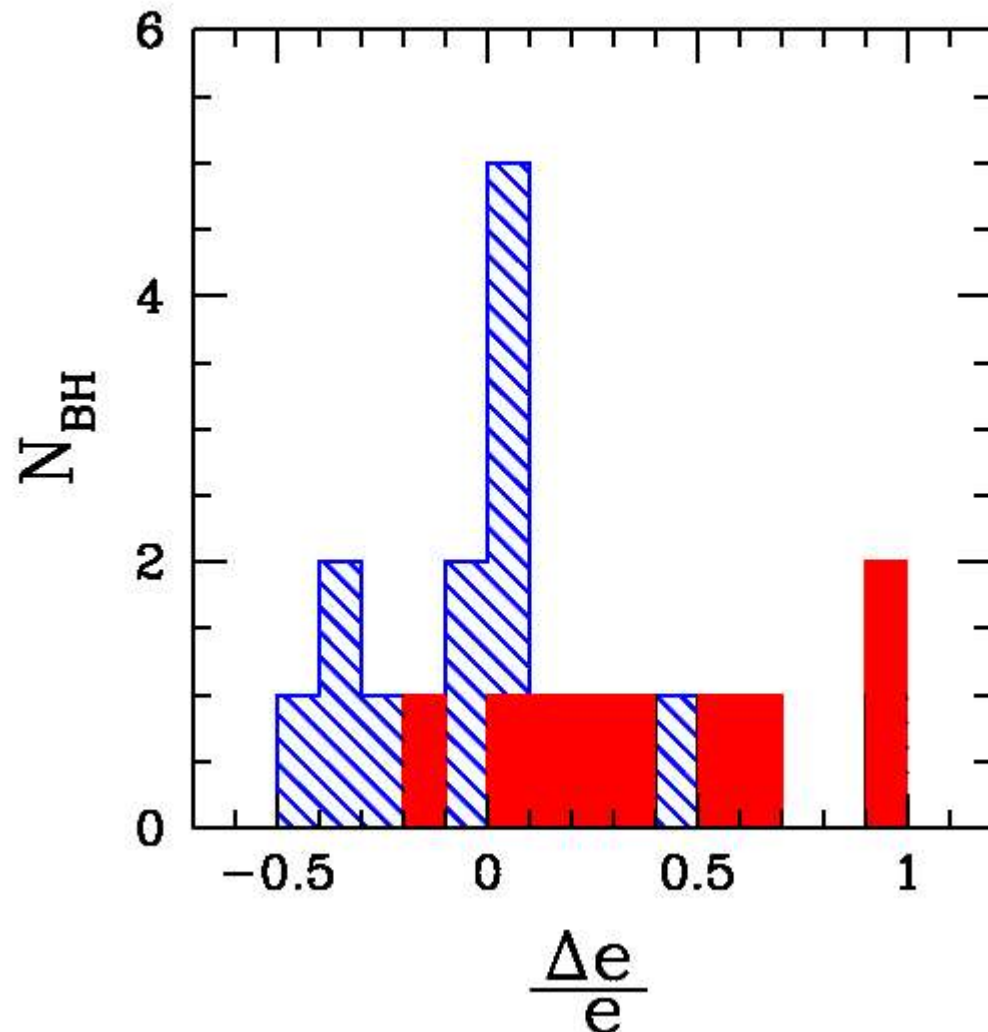
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INSIDE cluster
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**increase of ecc.
in escapers**

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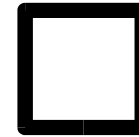
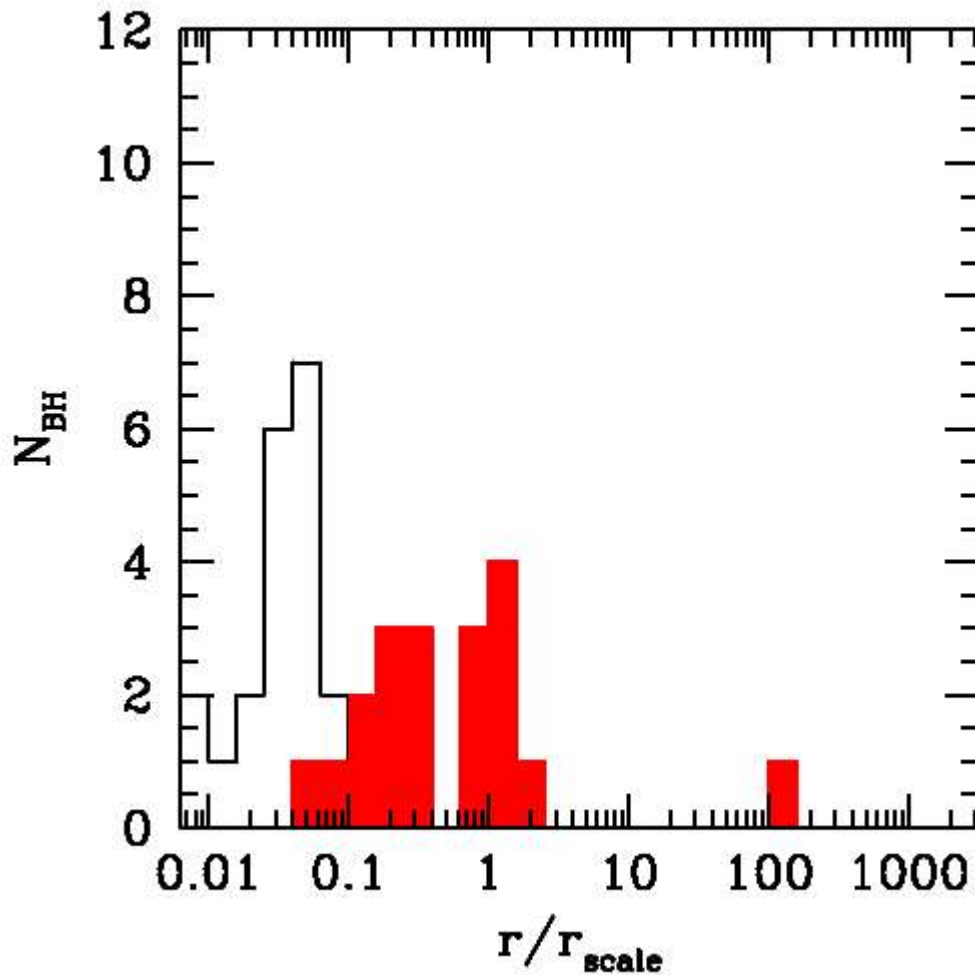
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INSIDE cluster
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increase of ecc.
in escapers, but
circularization time
short (~ 1000 yr)

More data from Starlab simulations: IMBHs (300 Msun)



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after 10 Myr

only 1 escaper

CONCLUSIONS:

- 1) METALLICITY strongly AFFECTS BH mass
- 2) ULXs might be explained as massive BH binaries
- 3) Massive BH binaries important in star clusters

FUTURE:

- 1) More data for understanding ULXs (XMDs)
- 2) Comparison with data ULX displacement- BH ejections
- 3) theoretical models of mass transfer (HMXBs?)
- 3) contribution of massive BHs to GWs
- 4) failed SNAe reduce stellar yields:
chemical evolution of galaxies must be revised



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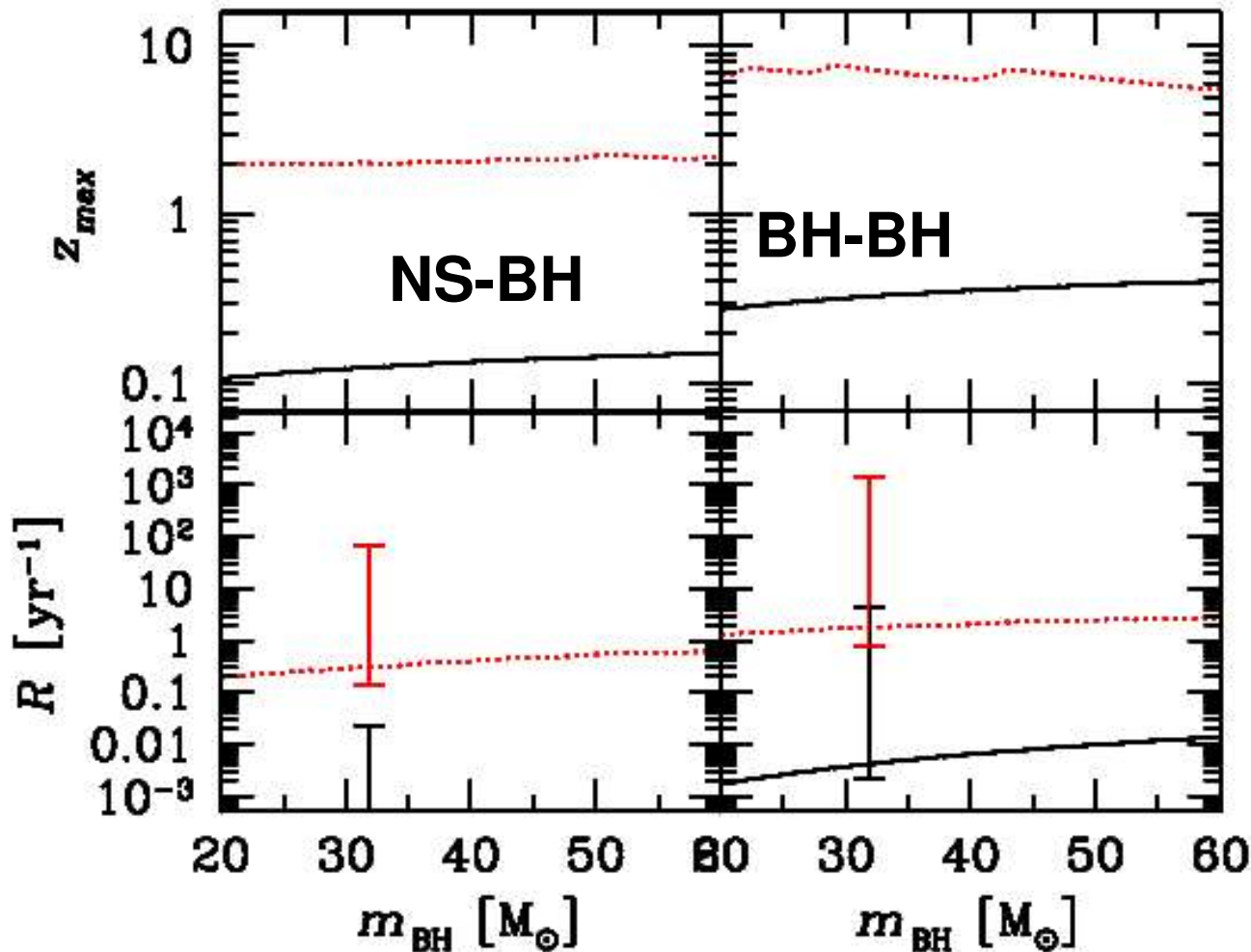
5 – gravitational waves

GWs from massive BHs, INGREDIENTS:

- density of BHs correlates with cosmic SFR (from Hopkins & Beacom 2006 data) BUT ONLY AT LOW METALLICITY!**
- merger rate from 3-body rate**
- instrumental range from Ajith et al. (2008, 2009)**
- accurate integration over comoving volume**

Different BH mass changes predictions for GW detection?

Predictions for MASSIVE BHs:



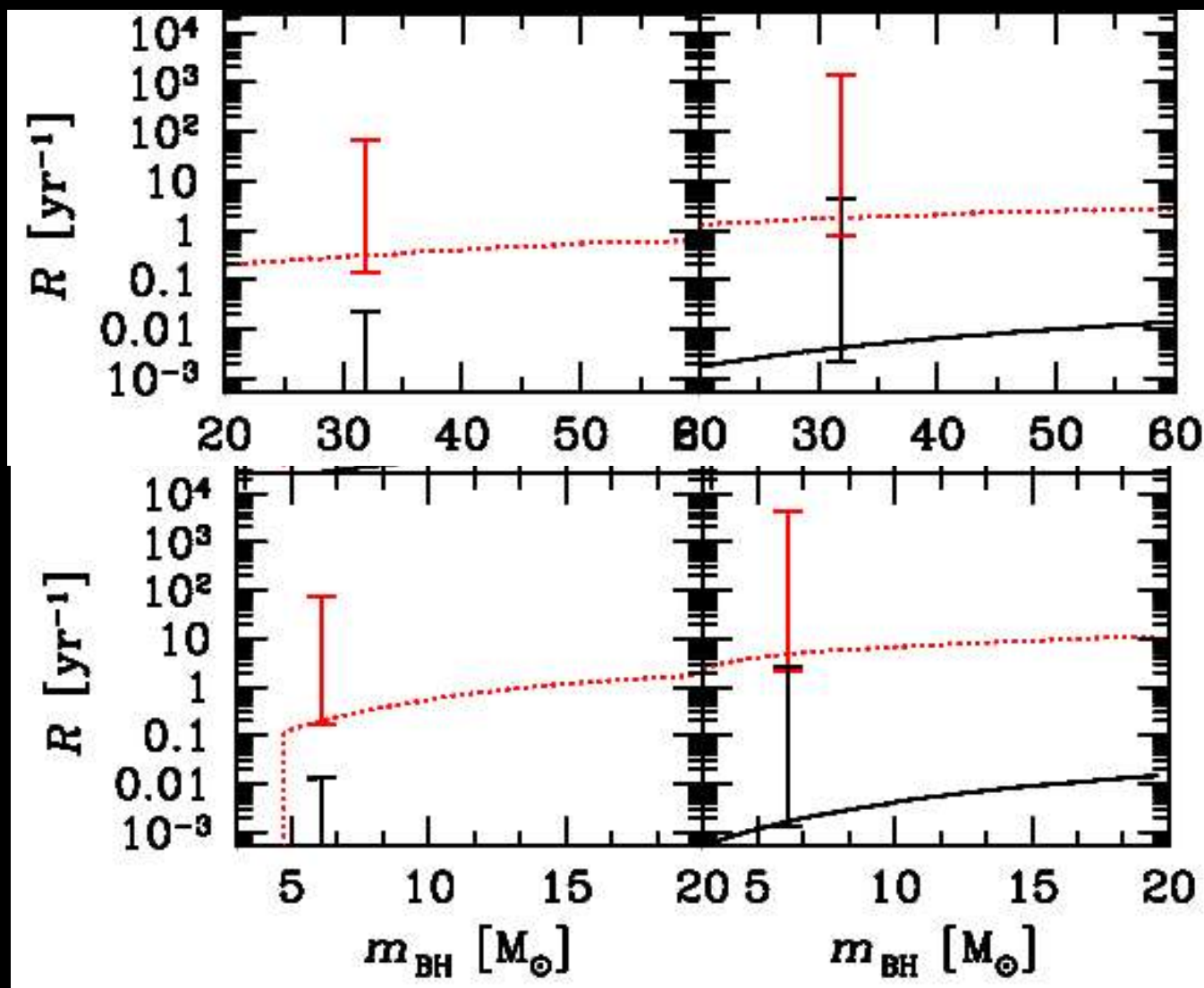
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Bruno et al., in
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Comparison stellar BHs (bottom) / massive BHs (top)



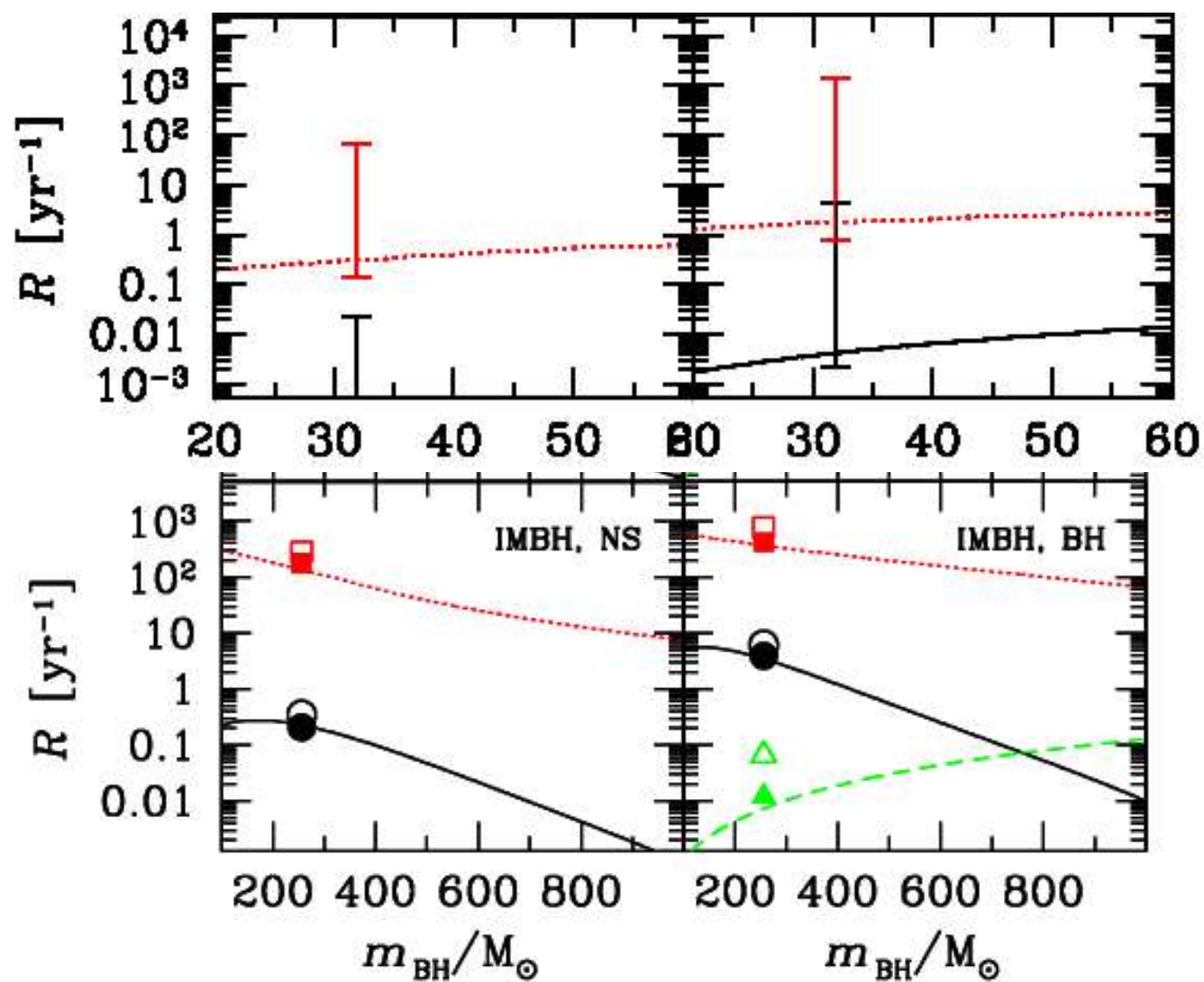
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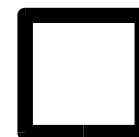
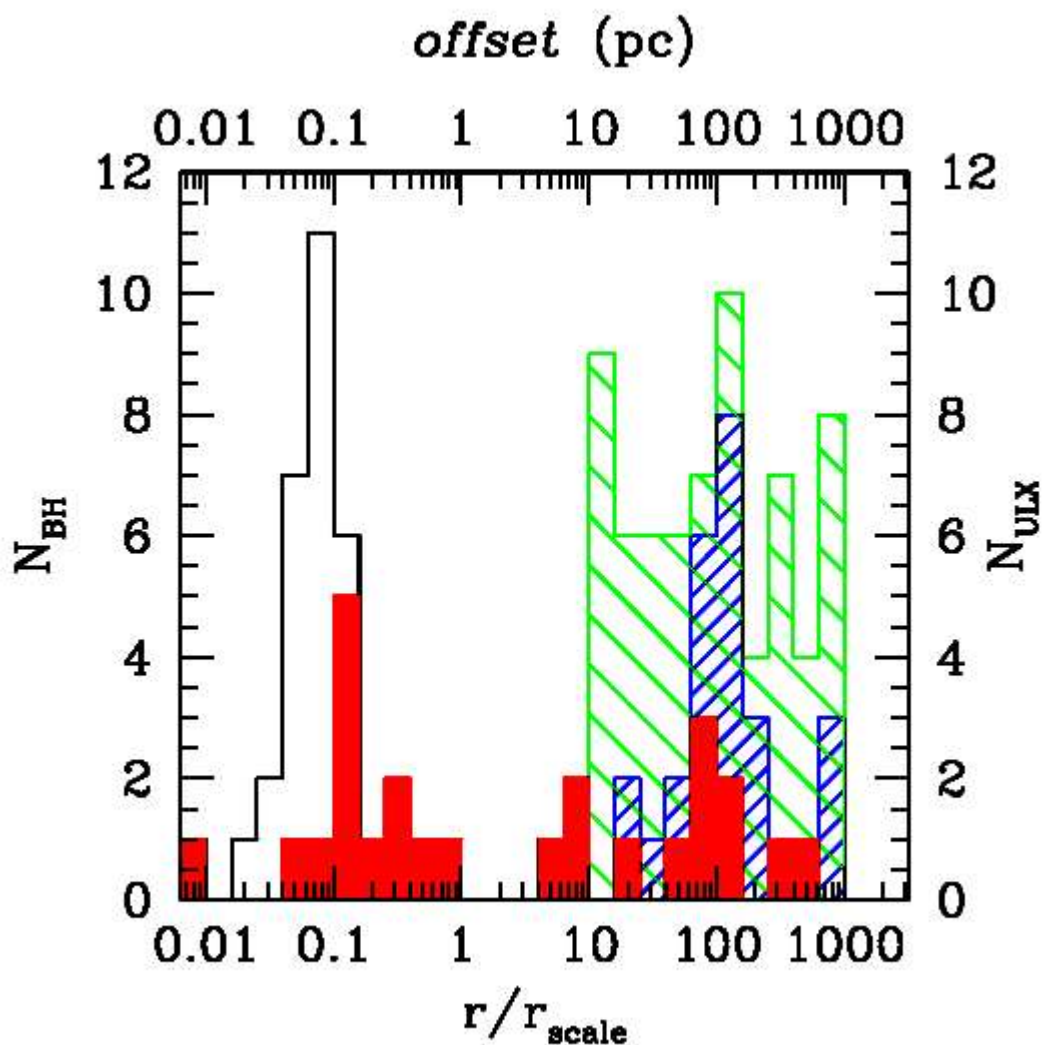
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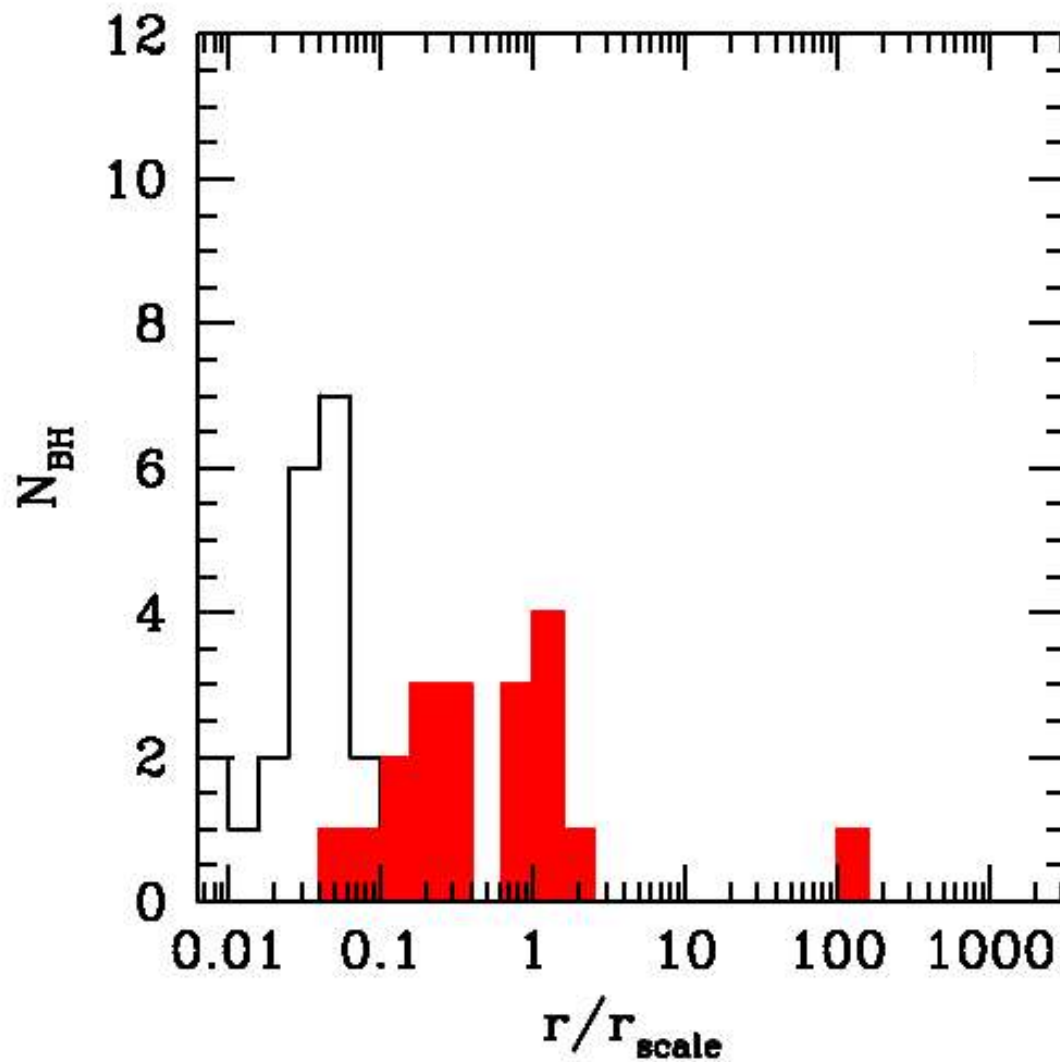


data of ULXs
from Berghea PhD

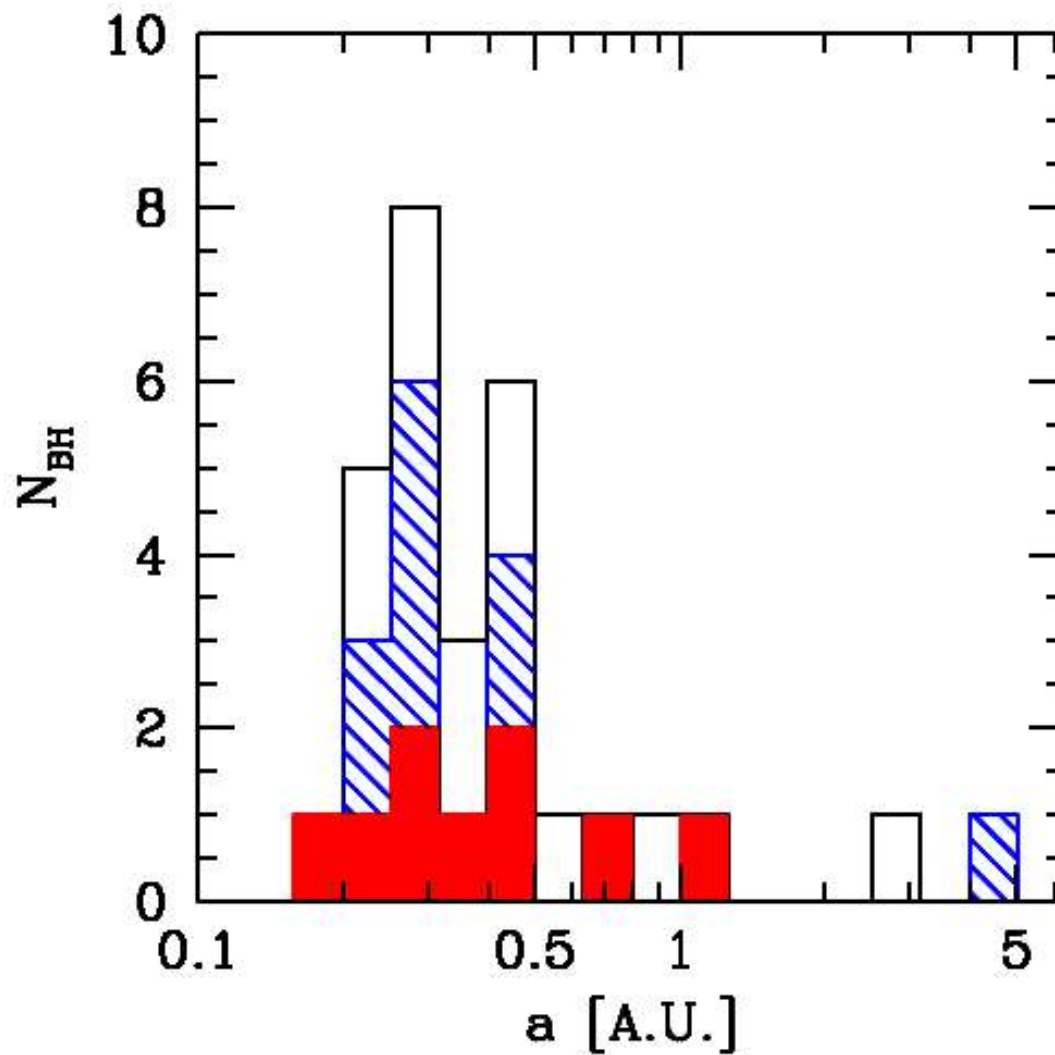


data of X-ray
sources from
Kaaret et al. (2004)

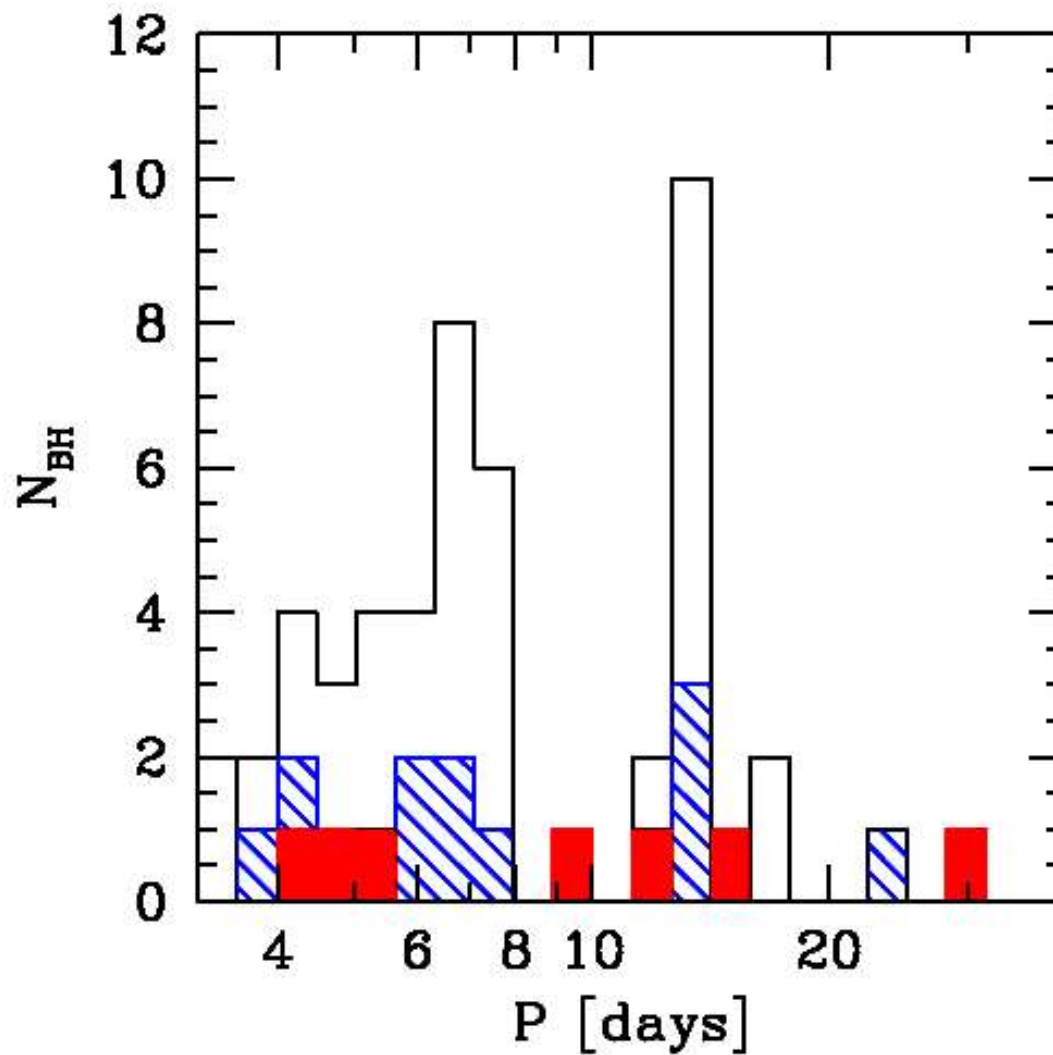
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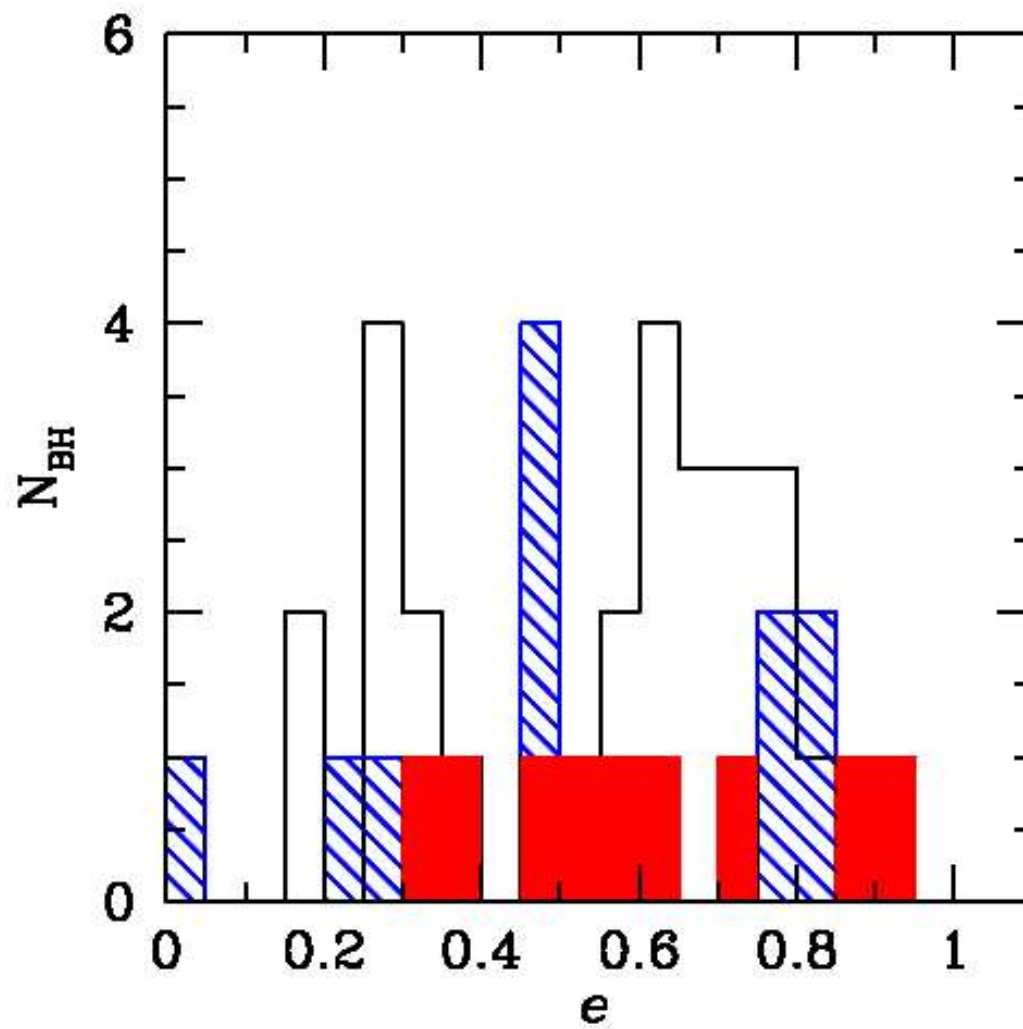
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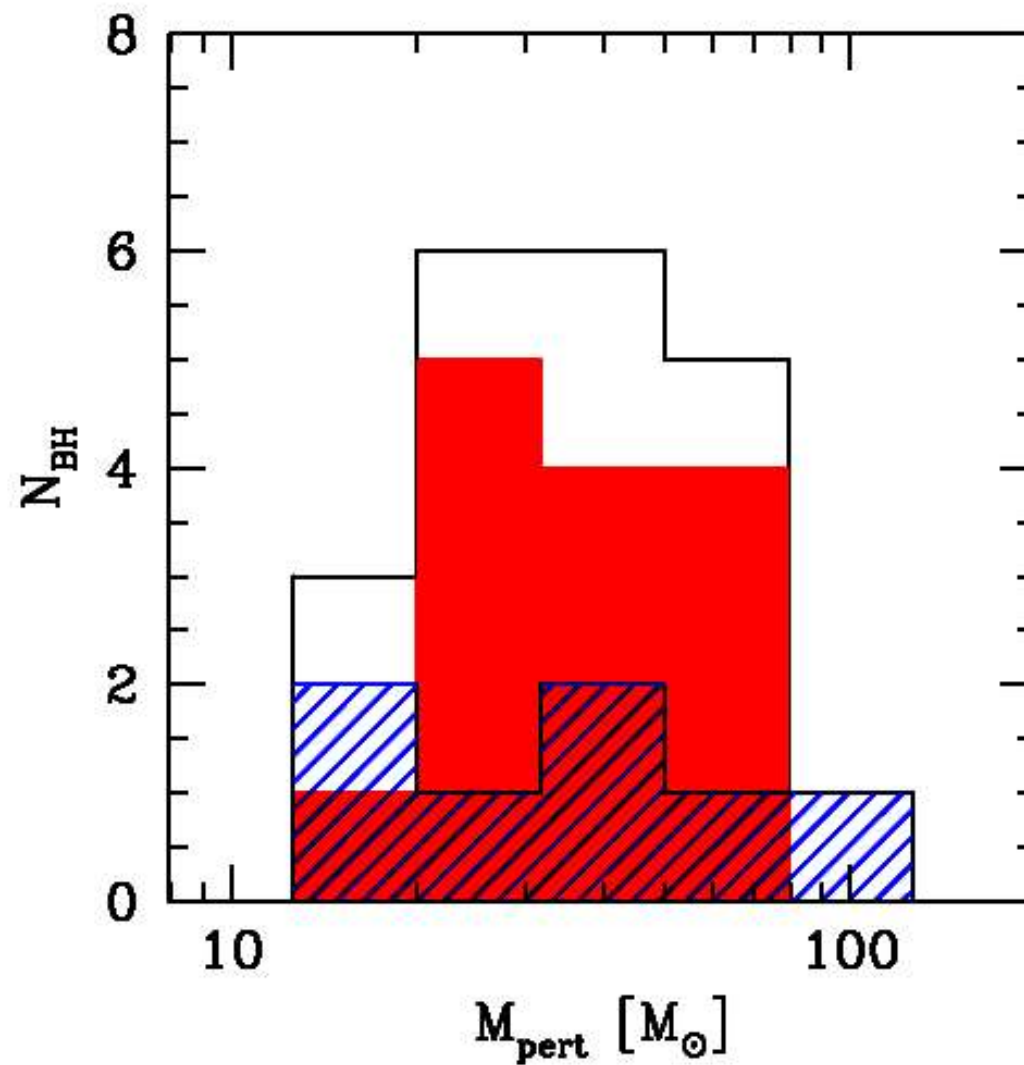
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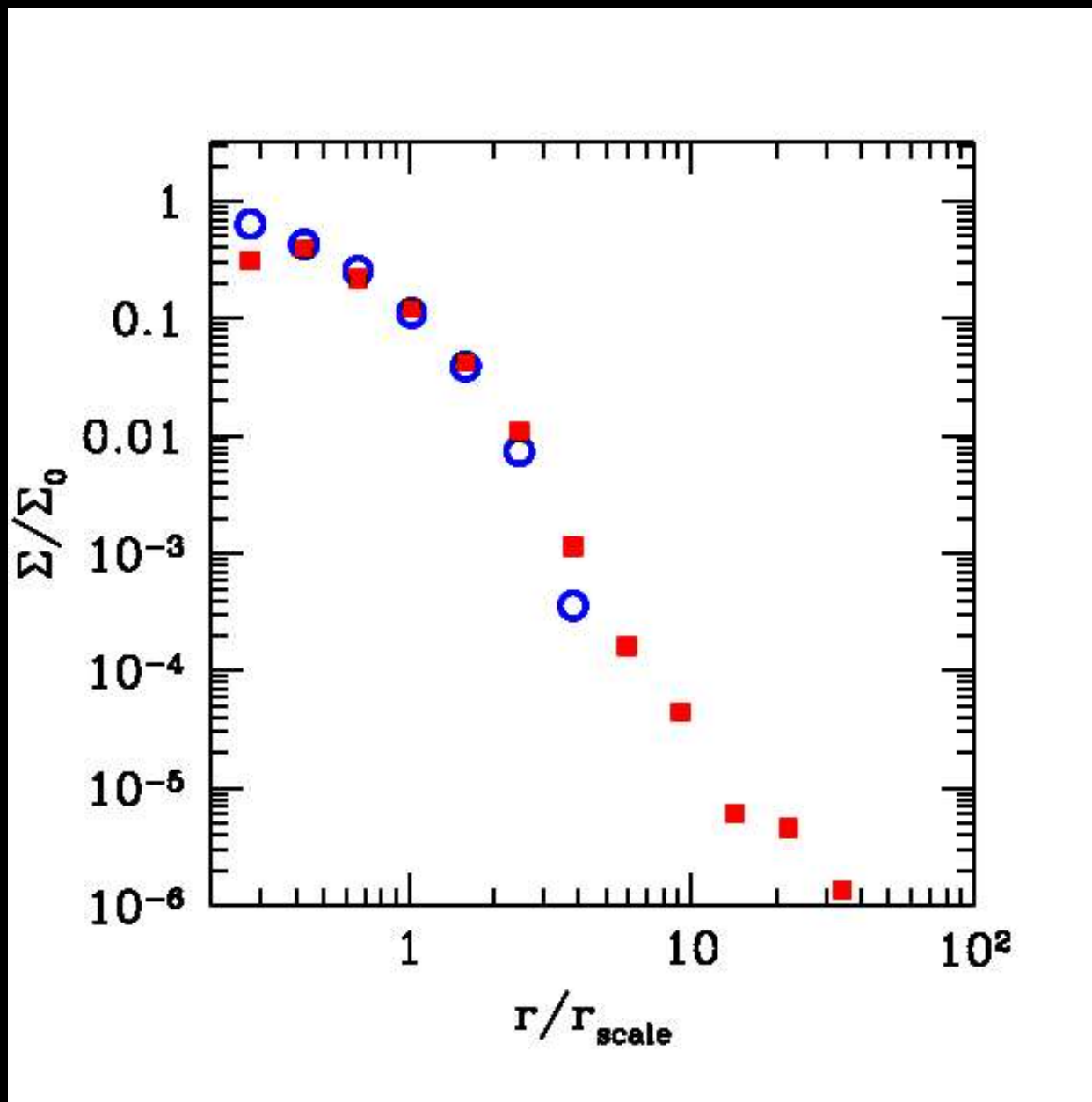
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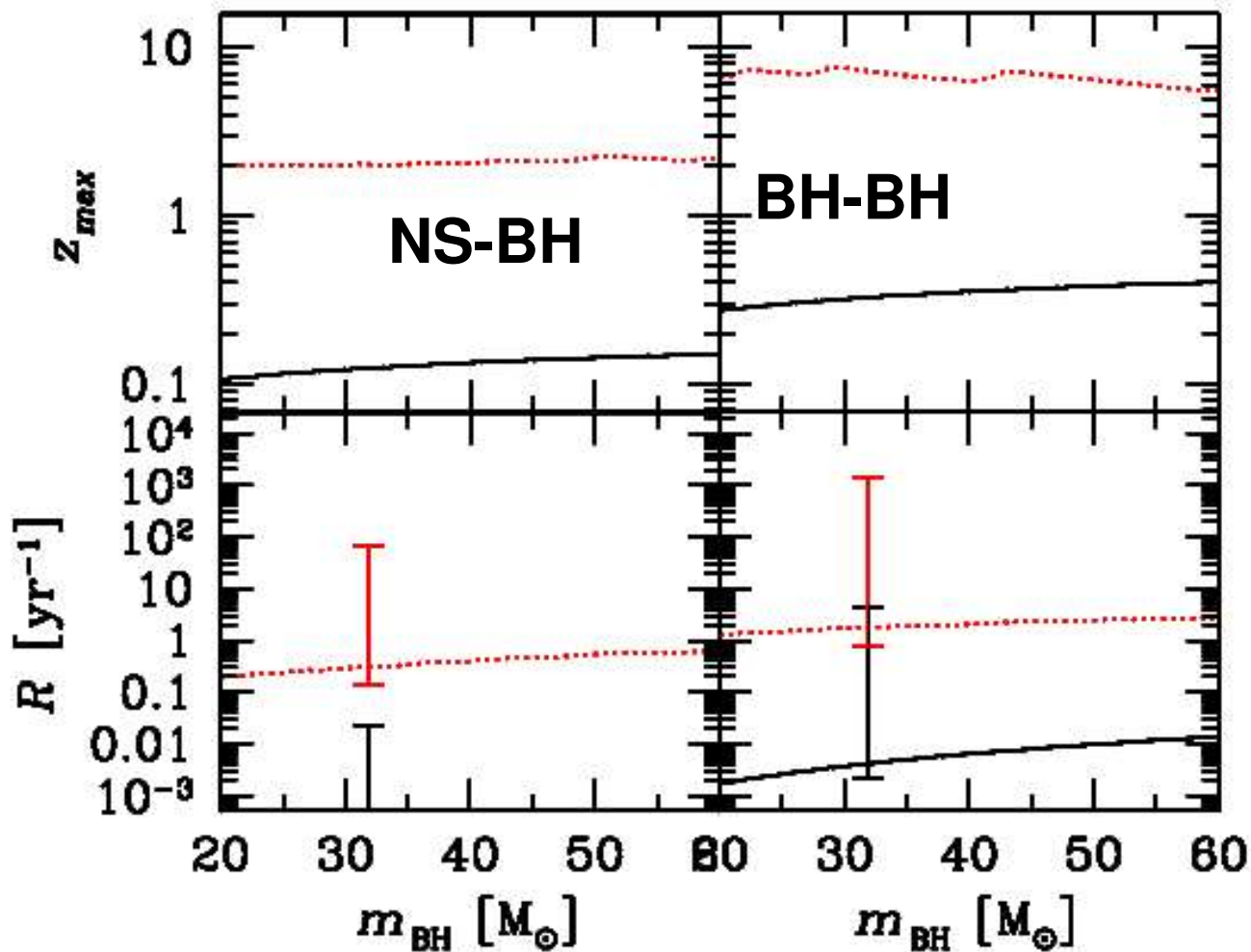
More data from Starlab simulations: perturber mass



More data from Starlab simulations: cluster profile



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$$R = \int_{m_1}^{m_2} dm_{\text{BH}} \int_0^{z_{\text{max}}(m_{\text{BH}}, m_{\text{co}})} d\tilde{z} \frac{d^3 N_{\text{merg}}}{dm_{\text{BH}} dt_e dV_c} \frac{dt_e}{dt_o} \frac{dV_c}{d\tilde{z}}$$

$$\frac{d^3 N_{\text{merg}}}{dm_{\text{BH}} dt_e dV_c} = f_{\text{merg}} \frac{d^2 n_{\text{BH}}}{dm_{\text{BH}} dt_e}$$

$$\frac{d^2 n_{\text{BH}}}{dm_{\text{BH}} dt_e} = \frac{\dot{\rho}_*}{\int_{m_{\text{min}}}^{m_{\text{max}}} m^{1-\alpha} dm} 2^{1-\alpha} m_{\text{BH}}^{-\alpha}$$

$$f_{\text{merg}} = f_{\text{BH+co}} f_{\text{coalescence}}$$

$$f_{\text{coalescence}} = \frac{t_{\text{life}} f_{\text{evap}}}{\tau_{\text{GW}}}$$

**1 – IMBHs
in
YMCs**

INGREDIENTS:

- density of YMCs correlates with cosmic SFR (from Hopkins & Beacom 2006 data)

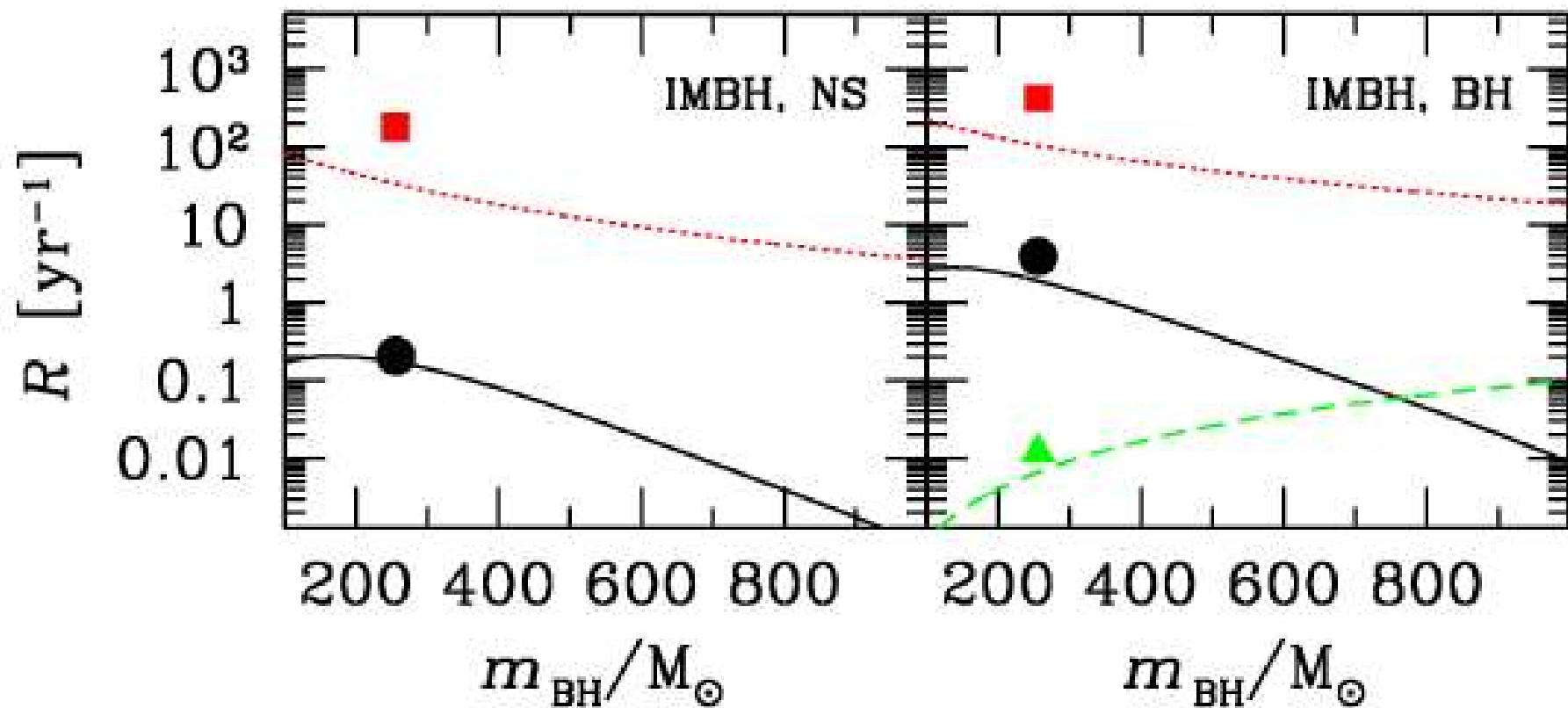
- merger rate from 3-body rate:

$$\nu_{3b} \sim 2 \pi G m_{\text{BH}} n_c a \sigma_c^{-1}$$

- instrumental range from Ajith et al. (2008, 2009)

- accurate integration over comoving volume

Approximation:



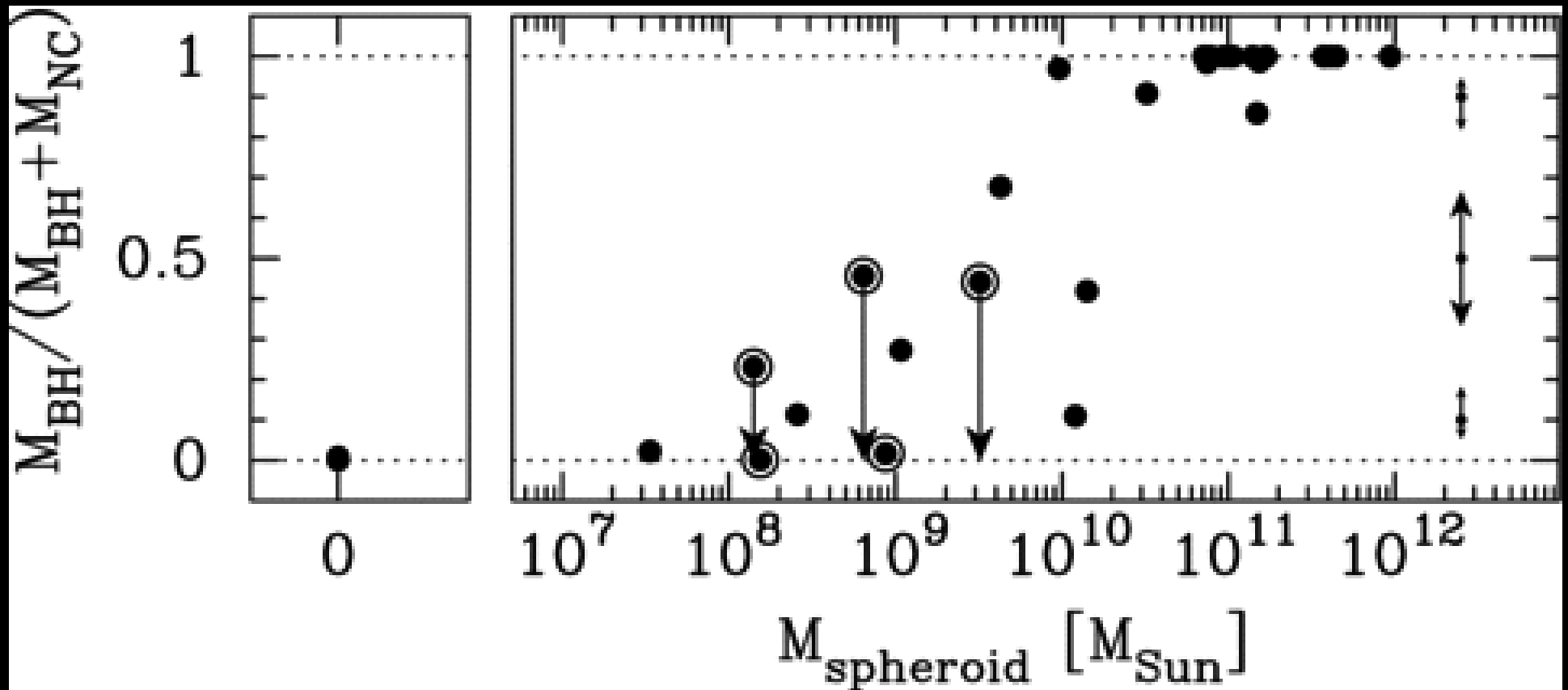
$$R \approx f_{\text{tot}} \frac{n_{\text{YC}}(z=0, m_{\text{BH}})}{\Gamma_{\text{mrg}}(m_{\text{BH}})} V_c(z_{\text{max}})$$

2- SMBH in nuclear star clusters (NCs)

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- spheroids with mass 10^8 - 10^{10} Msun

host both SMBH and NC (Graham & Spitler 2009)



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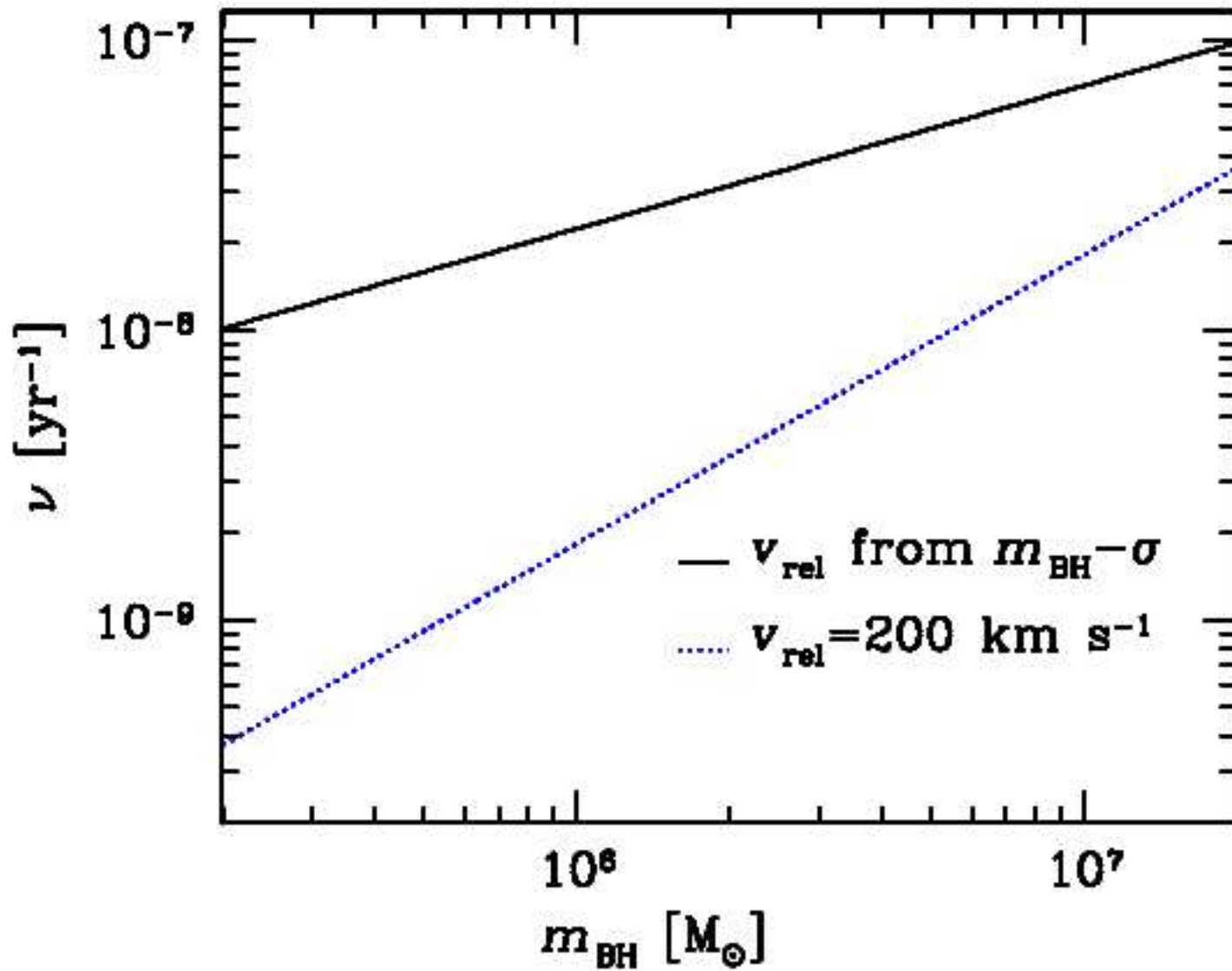
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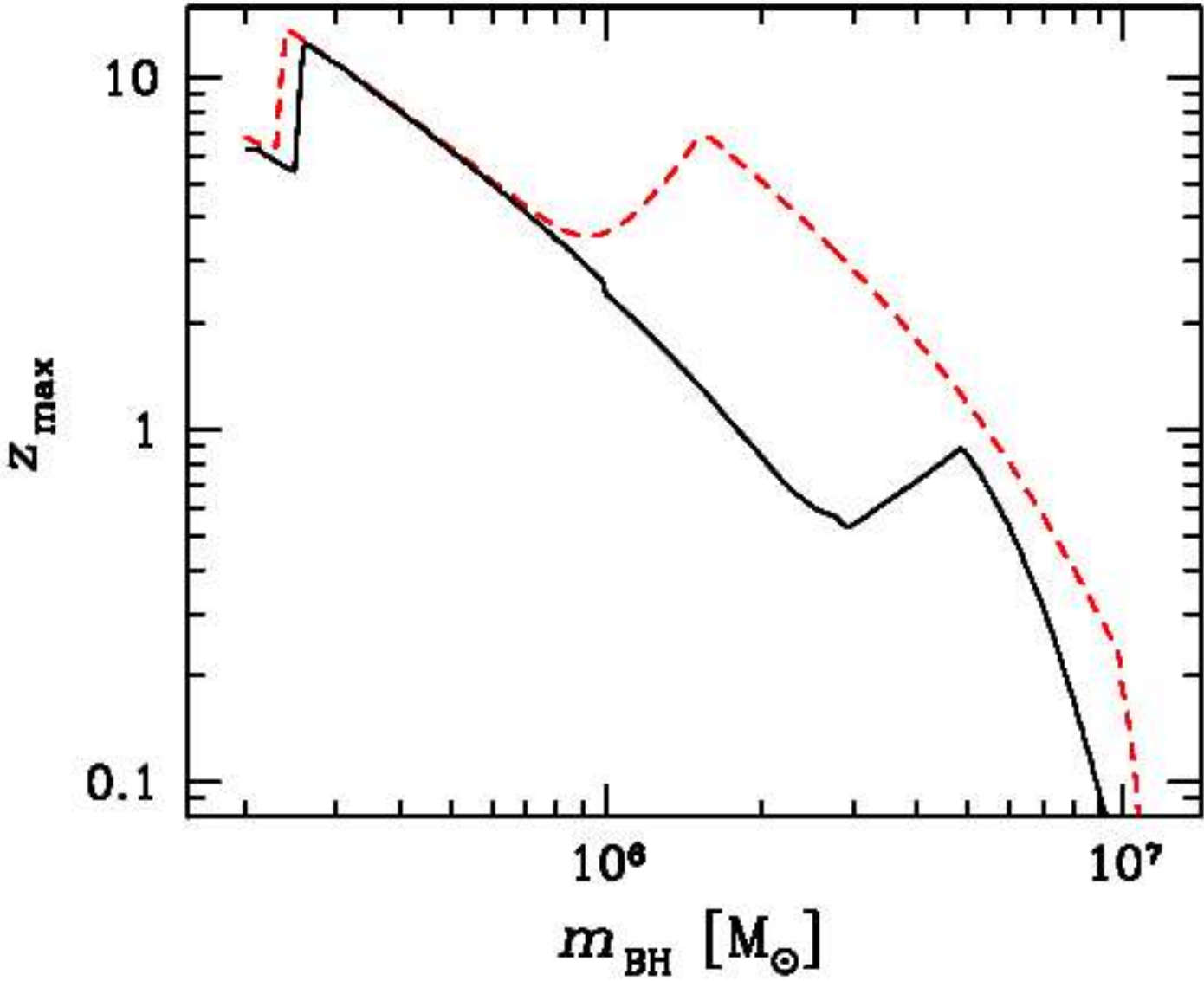
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- halo number density from Press & Schechter formalism

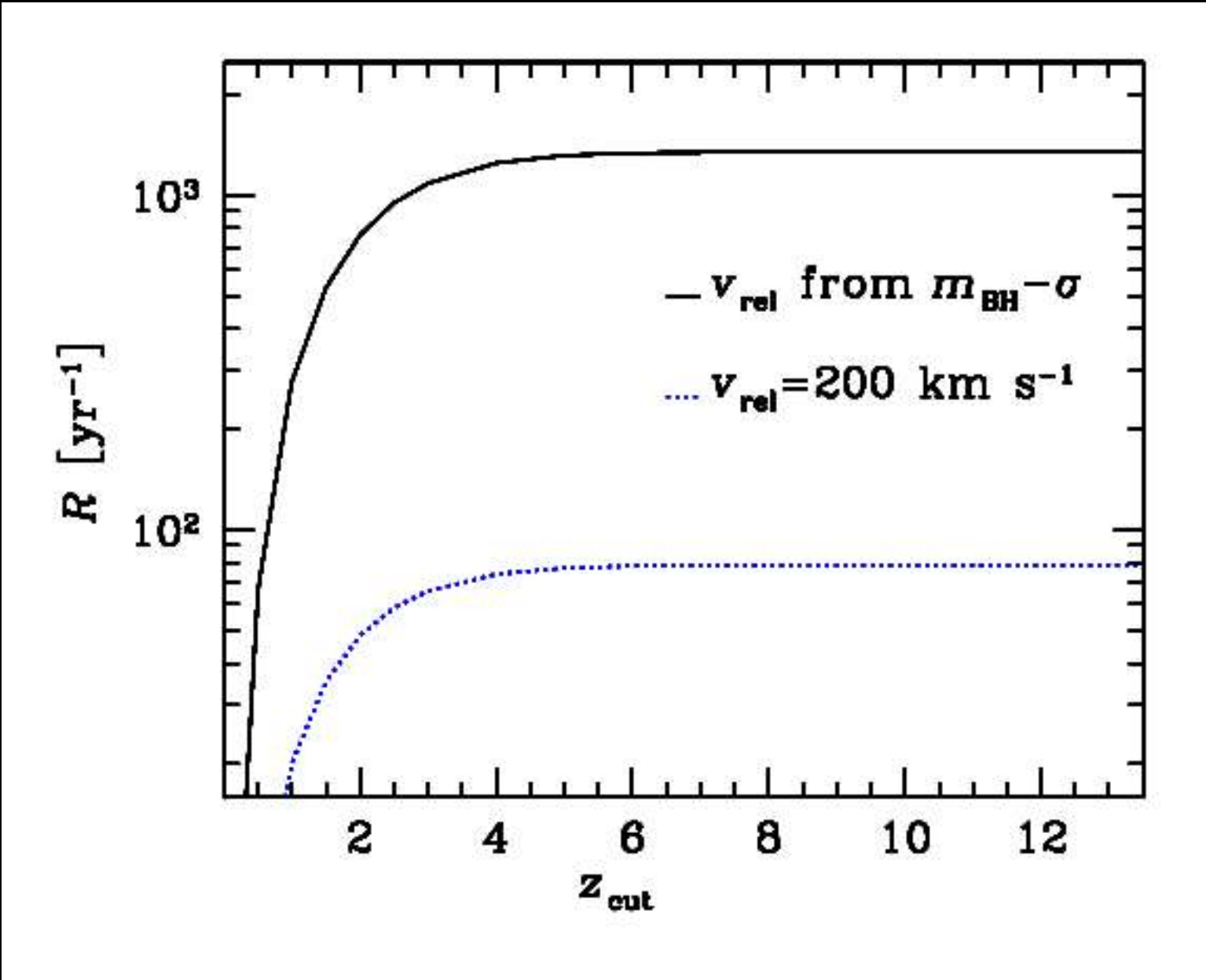
MERGER RATE:



MAXIMUM REDSHIFT FROM MERGER RATE:



DETECTION RATE as function zcut:



6 – stellar yields

**Failed supernovae reduce
stellar yields in ISM:**

WORK IN PROGRESS!!

Main problem with ULXs:

**isotropic Luminosity above Eddington limit for ~ 7
Msun compact objects**

**Is there any way to produce stellar BHs with mass
> 10 Msun?**

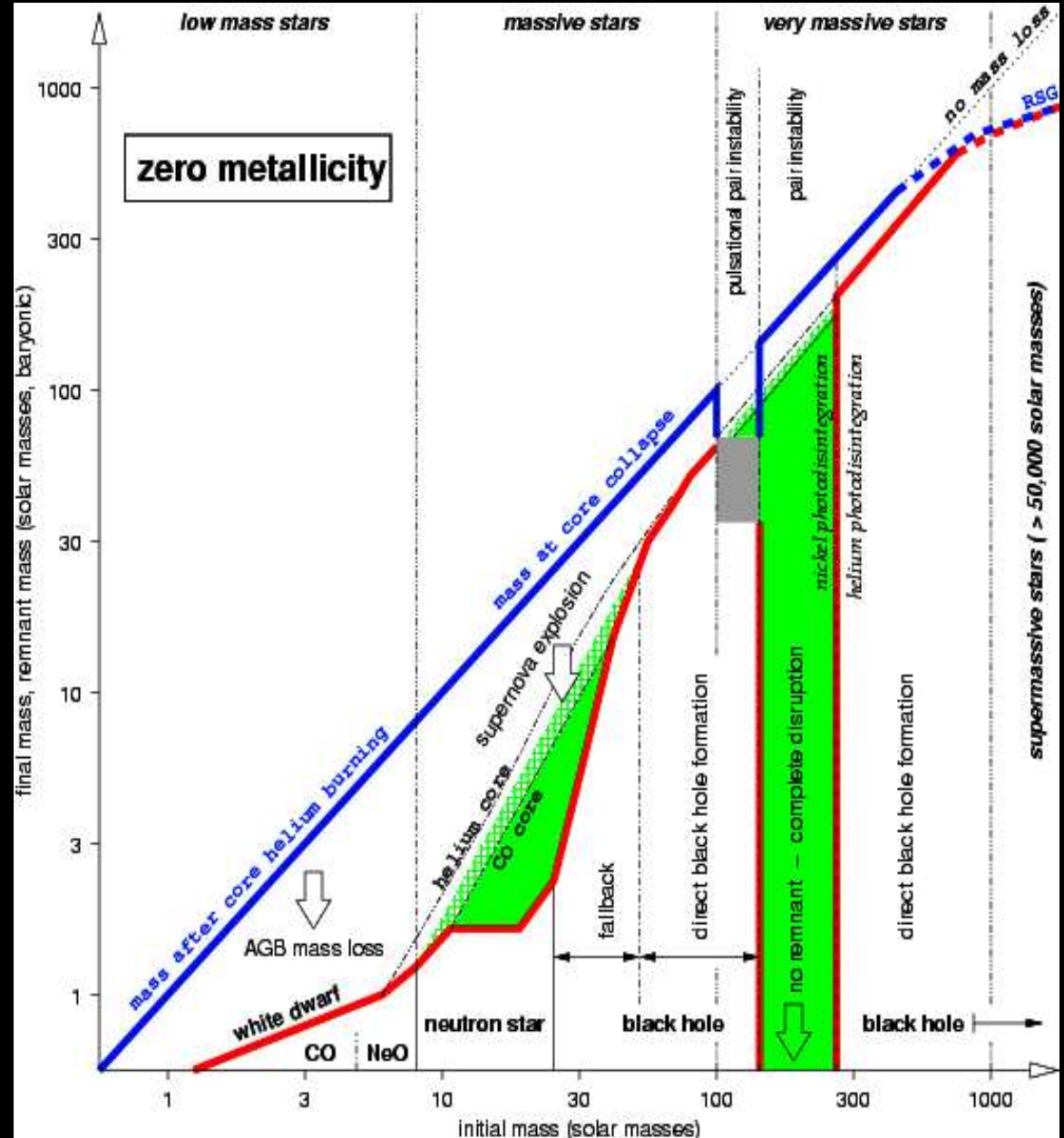
LOW METALLICITY

What prevents stellar remnants from having large masses?

Mass losses due to winds and SN explosion

Is there any way to reduce mass losses and avoid SN explosion?

low metallicity



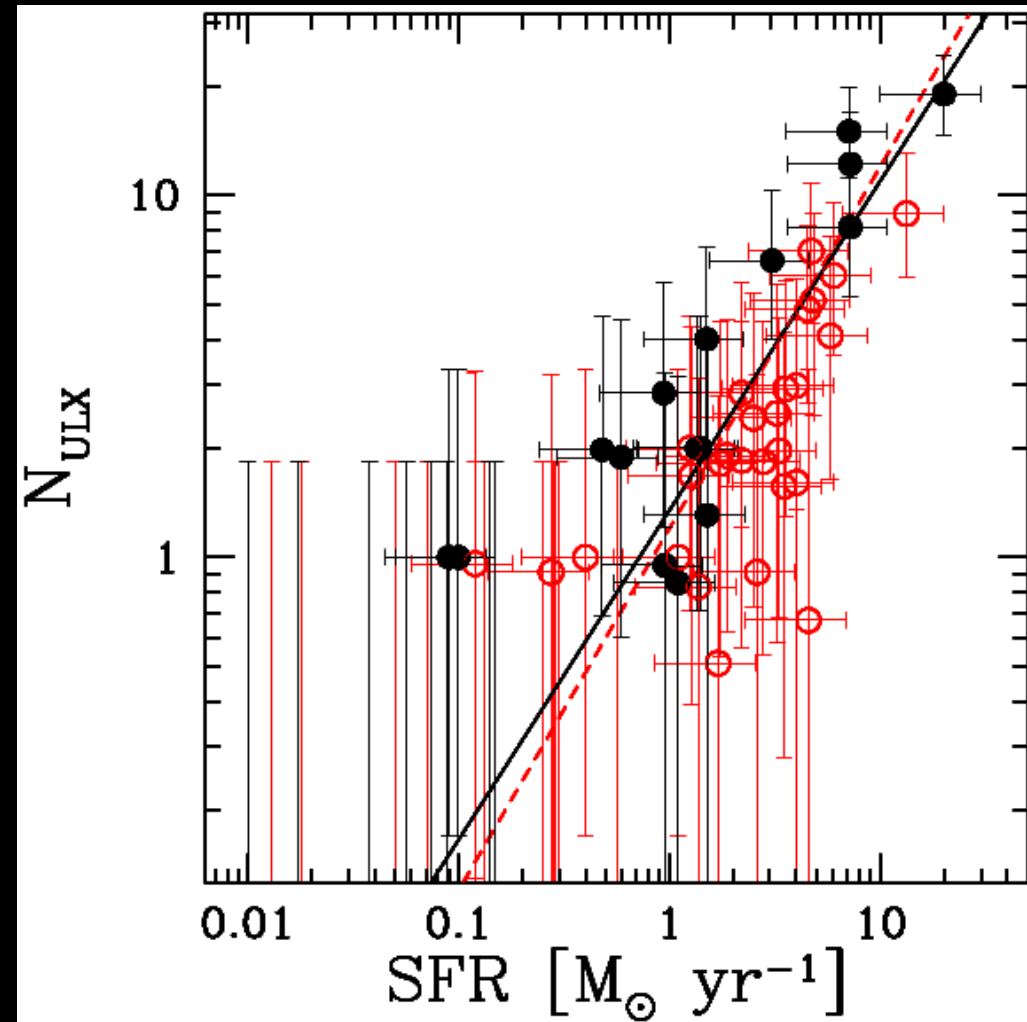
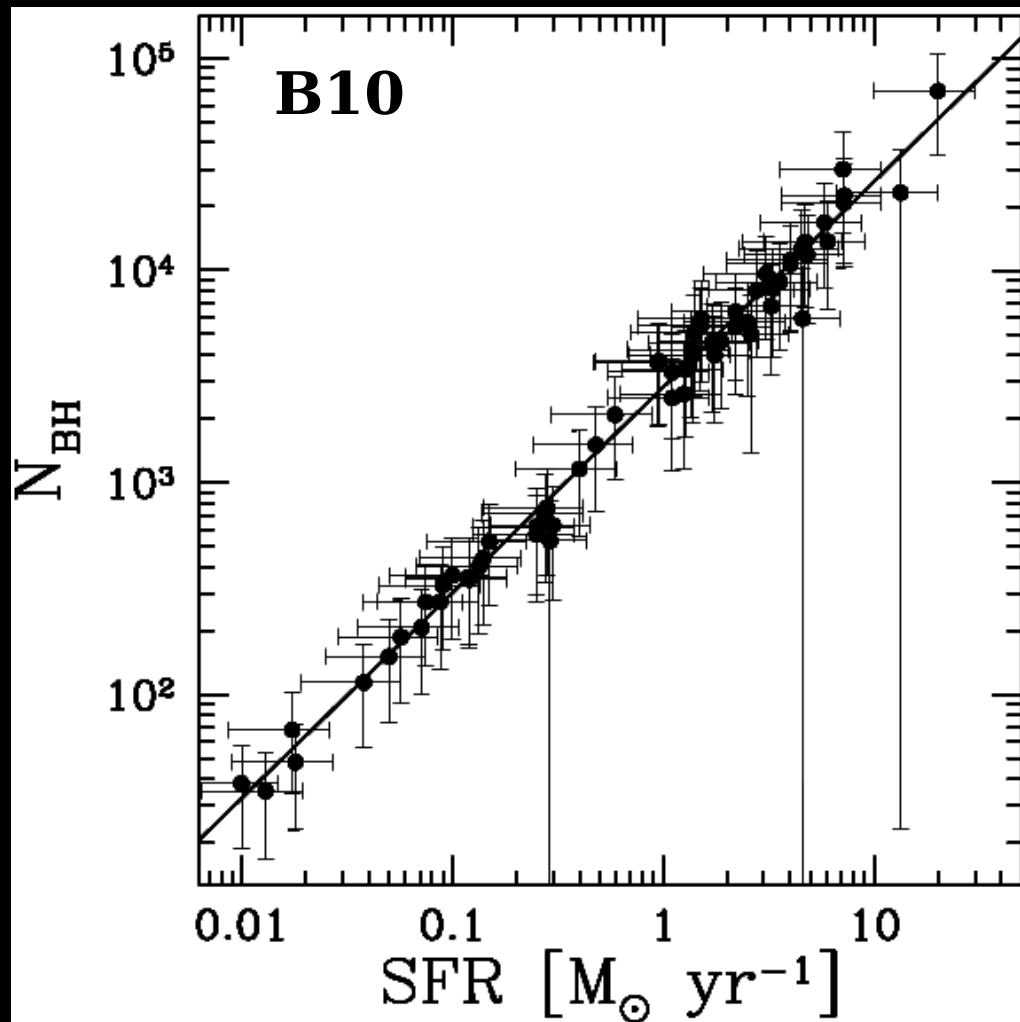
(Heger et al. 2002)

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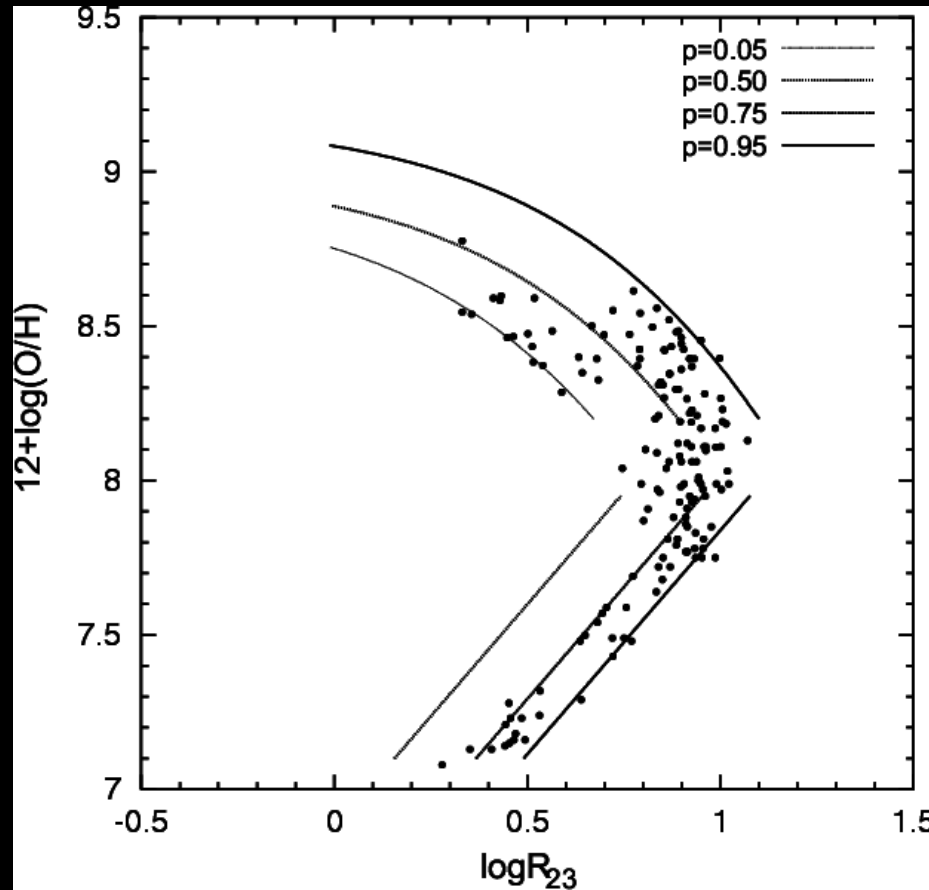
N_{BH}-SFR



Slope of the model = 1

Slope of the data = 0.91 ± 0.2

Pilyugin metallicity calibration



Pilyugin (2003)

$$R_{23} = \frac{[OII](3727, 3729) + [OIII](4959, 5007)}{H_{\beta}}$$

$$P = \frac{[OIII](4959, 5007)}{[OII](3727) + [OIII](4959, 5007)}$$

Low-metallicity calibration

If we measure OIII 4363, we do not need Pilyugin: galaxy is low metallicity and calibration is unambiguous

A0035 'the cartwheel'

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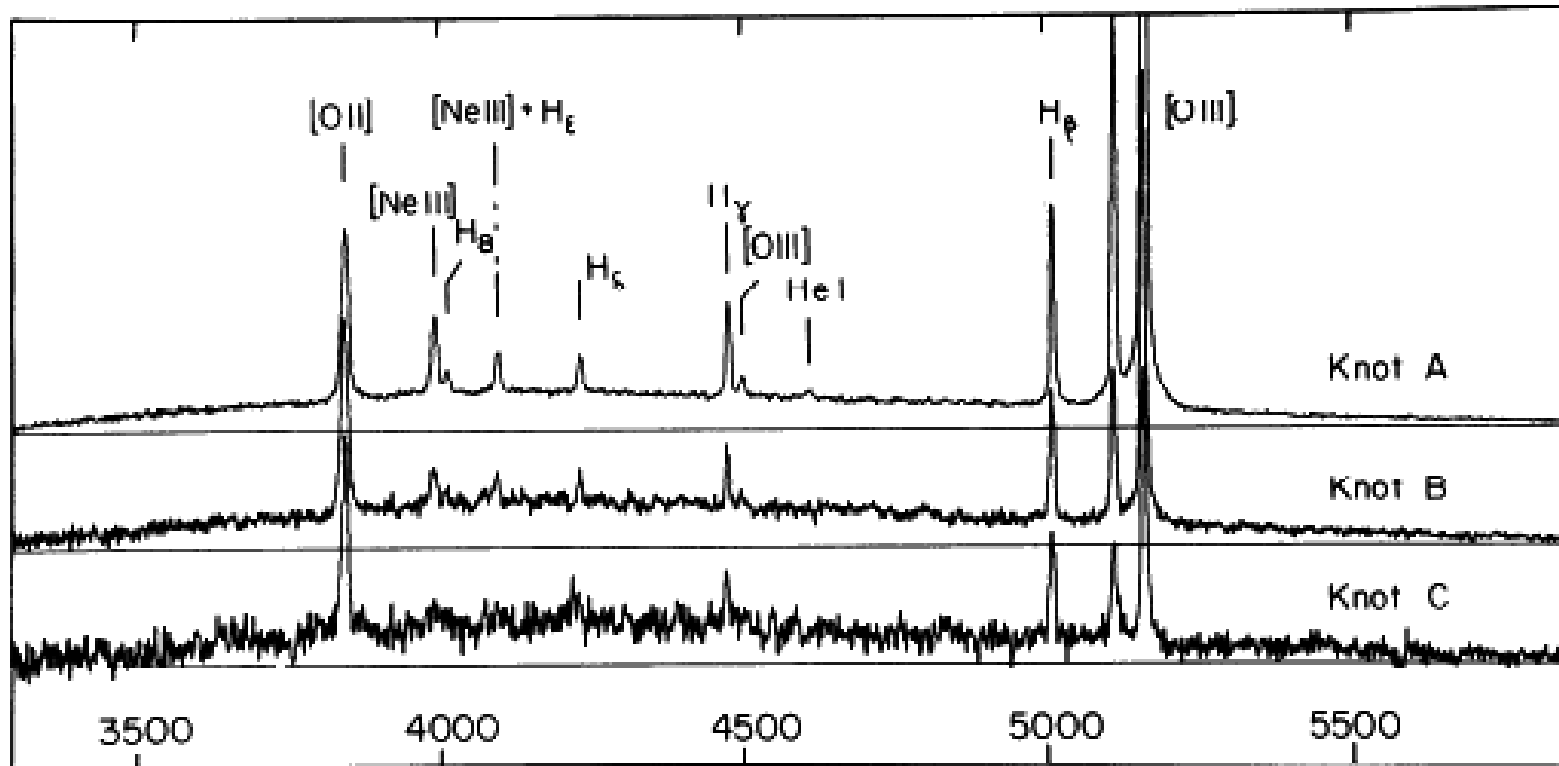
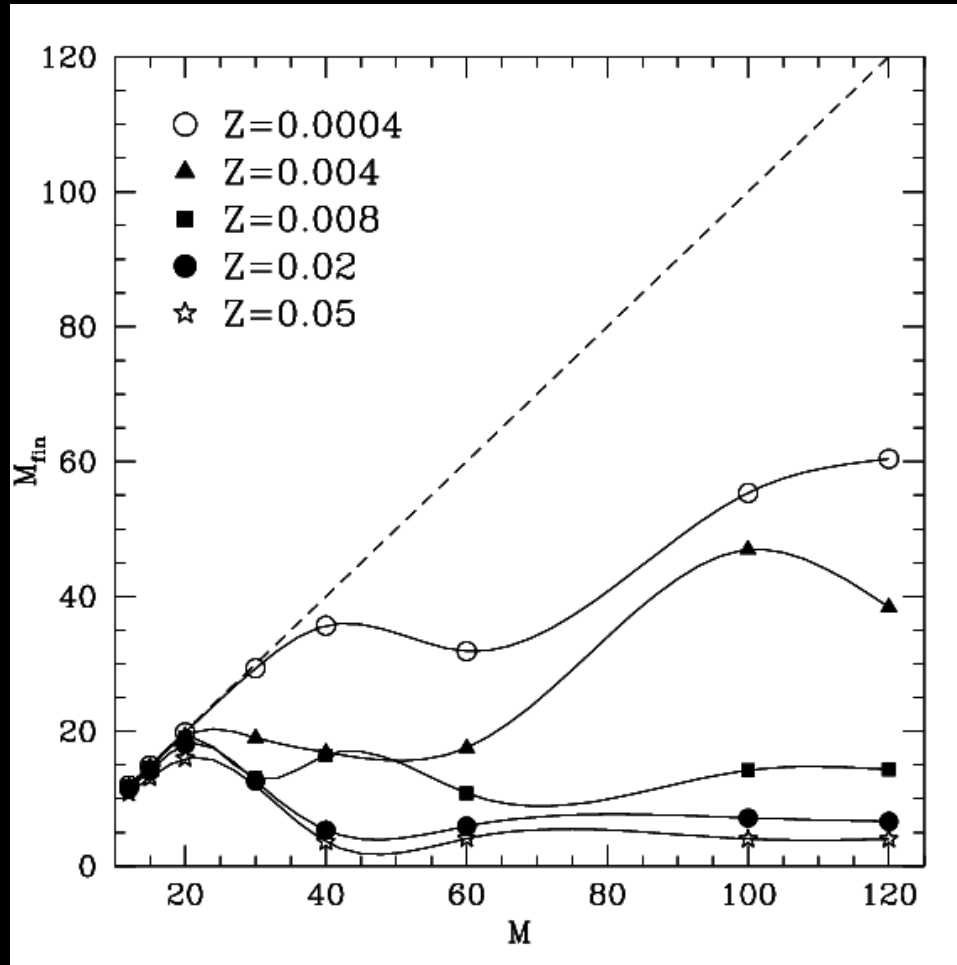


Figure 2. Scans of three of the H II regions in the ring.

Portinari, Chiosi, Bressan 1998 (P98)



$$\dot{M} \propto Z^{0.5}$$

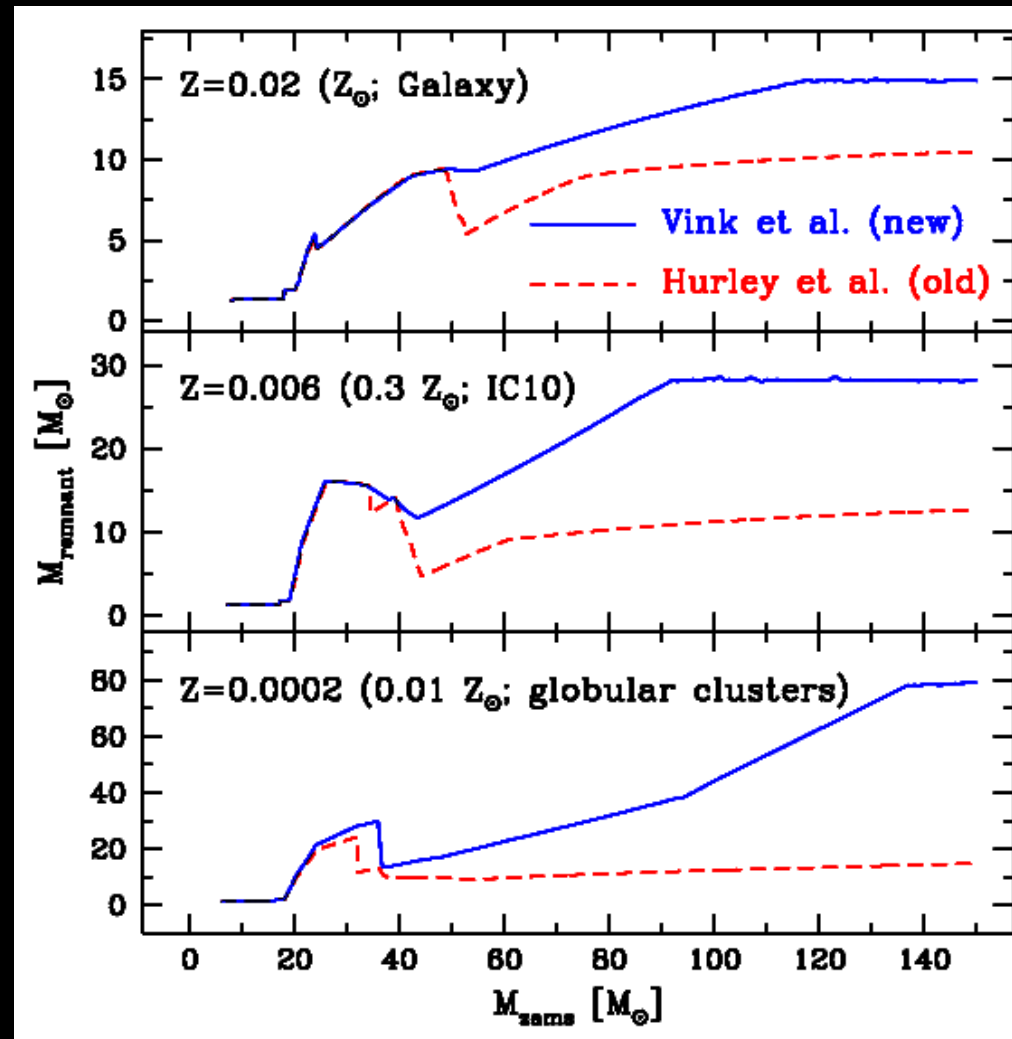
Belczynski et al. 2010

STANDARD

- _ stellar evolution recipes by Hurley, Pols & Tout (2000)
- _ population synthesis code StarTrack (Belczynski & Kalogera)

NEW

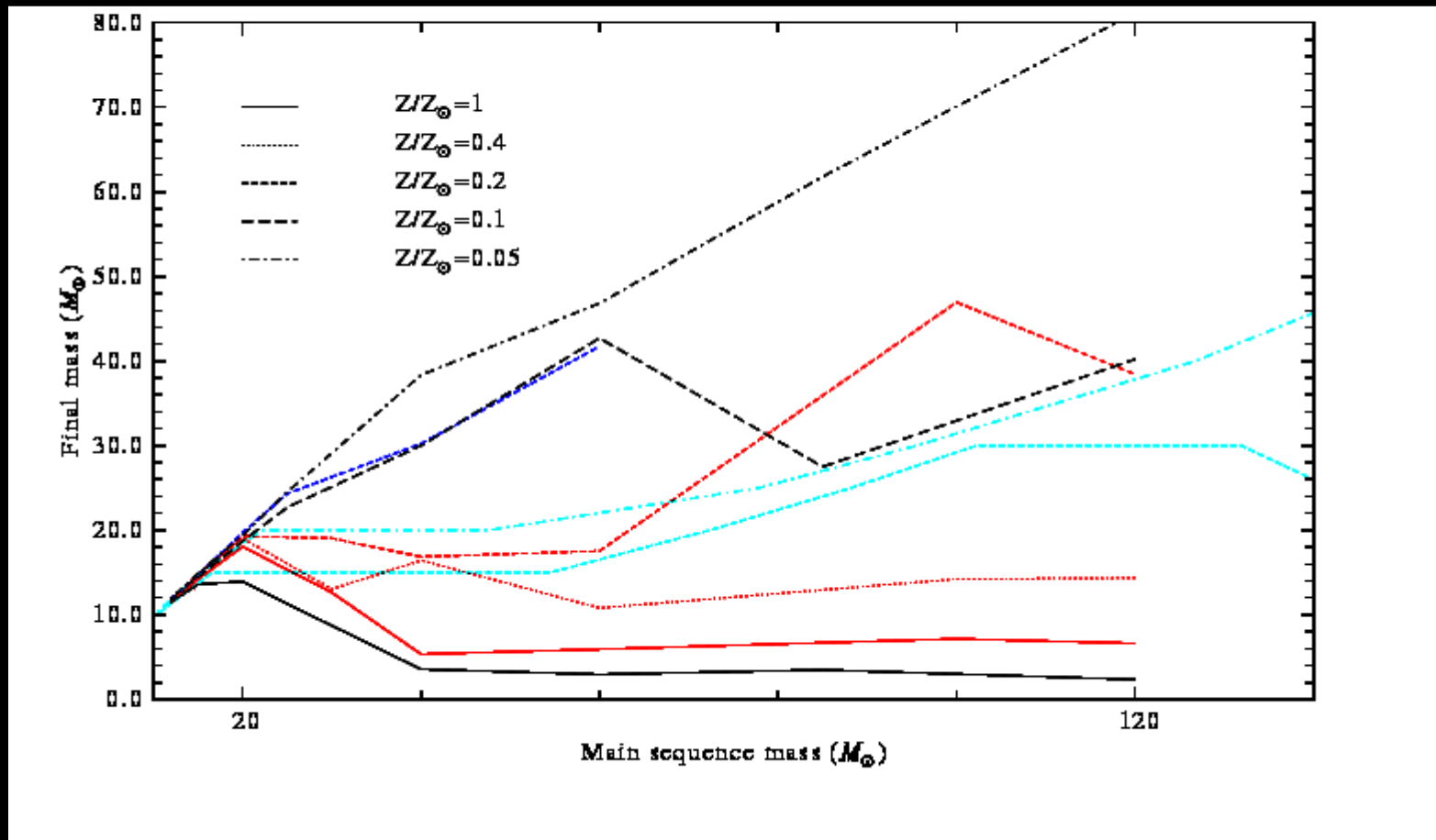
- _ updated WINDS (Vink et al. 2001)
- _ updated remnant mass allowing direct collapse of massive metal-poor stars (Fryer 1999; Fryer & Kalogera 2001)



Zampieri & Roberts 2009

**_ Sub-solar Z stars with $M > 30-40 M_{\text{sun}}$
may retain massive envelopes at the time of SN.**

**_ The SN shock wave loses energy trying to unbind the
envelope until it stalls and the star collapses into BH**



EXTREMELY METAL DEFICIENT galaxies

DEFINITION: blue compact dwarf galaxies with $Z \sim 0.02 Z_{\text{sun}}$

Chandra data for SBS0335-052, SBS 0335-052W, I Zw 18 indicate ≥ 1 ULX in each of them (Thuan et al. 2004)

TABLE 1
X-RAY EMISSION FROM SBS 0335-052, SBS 0335-052W, AND I Zw 18

Source (1)	Position (2)	Counts (3)	Model (4)	N_{H} (10^{21} cm^{-2}) (5)	Γ/kT (6)	Fit/dof (7)	F_{X} ($10^{-15} \text{ ergs cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$) (8)	L_{X} ($10^{39} \text{ ergs s}^{-1}$) (9)	Comments (10)
SBS 0335-052	033744.1-050239.5	29.3 ± 6.5	POW	$6.8 (<16.3)$	$2.1^{+1.5}_{-1.2}$	24.8/24	6.1	3.5	Point source
			RAY	$5.9^{+6.3}_{-5.4}$	$3.6 (>1.2)$	24.7/24	5.2	2.8	
			POW	7.0 (fixed)	$2.2^{+0.6}_{-0.8}$	24.8/25	5.7	3.5	
			RAY	7.0 (fixed)	$2.7^{+16.6}_{-1.3}$	24.6/25	4.5	2.8	
SBS 0335-052W	033744.1-050239.5B	8.4 ± 5.0	RAY	7.0 (fixed)	1.0 (fixed)	...	0.6	0.64	Extended
	033738.5-050236.5	82.4 ± 10.2	POW	$5.2^{+3.3}_{-2.7}$	$2.8^{+0.9}_{-0.8}$	41.1/56	10.3	8.5	Point source 1
			RAY	$3.1^{+2.3}_{-1.9}$	$2.0^{+2.2}_{-0.8}$	41.6/56	9.6	5.2	
	033738.4-050237.3	36.4 ± 7.1	POW	$2.3 (<7.1)$	$1.9^{+1.1}_{-0.8}$	21.9/30	6.3	2.8	Point source 2
RAY			$1.3 (<3.0)$	$5.4 (>1.9)$	22.0/30	5.9	2.4		
I Zw 18	093401.9+551428.4A	469.5 ± 21.7	POW	$1.44^{+0.38}_{-0.37}$	$2.01^{+0.14}_{-0.16}$	18.1/20*	72.1	1.6	Point source, 0.65 keV line?
			RAY	$0.87^{+0.27}_{-0.24}$	$4.06^{+1.84}_{-1.19}$	23.0/20*	66.6	1.4	
			VRAY	$0.94^{+0.35}_{-0.24}$	$4.28^{+2.25}_{-1.31}$	8.1/19*	70.4	1.5	$Z^{\text{O}} = 7.0^{+12.2}_{-4.3} Z^{\text{O}}_{\text{O}}$
	093401.9+551428.4B	22.9 ± 6.9	RAY	1.31 (fixed)	1.0 (fixed)	...	2.0	0.053	Extended

NOTE.—Col. (1): Source name. Col. (2): Source position given as CXOU JHHMMSS.S+DDMMSS.S. Col. (3): Background-subtracted 0.5–10.0 keV counts accumulated over 60.1 ks (SBS 0335-052) and 40.8 ks (I Zw 18). Aperture photometry was performed by using 95% encircled-energy radii for 1.5 keV for point sources, and individual background regions were selected adjacent to each source as noted in § 2. The standard deviations for the source and background counts are computed by following the method of Gehrels 1986 and are then combined by following the “numerical method” described in § 1.7.3 of Lyons 1991. Col. (4): Spectral model used to fit data. POW indicates an absorbed power-law model, whereas RAY (VRAY) indicates an absorbed Raymond-Smith thermal plasma model (with variable O abundance); Raymond & Smith 1977. Cols. (5) and (6): Neutral hydrogen absorption column density (N_{H}). Photon index (Γ) or thermal plasma temperature (kT in units of keV) as determined from the best-fit absorbed power-law or thermal plasma models to the ACIS spectra. Also listed are the 90% confidence errors calculated for one parameter of interest ($\Delta\chi^2 = 2.7$). Col. (7): Goodness of fit/degree of freedom. For SBS 0335-052, fitting was performed with the C -statistic, while for I Zw 18 the χ^2 statistic was used (denoted by asterisk). Cols. (8) and (9): Observed 0.5–10.0 keV fluxes and absorption-corrected 0.5–10.0 keV luminosities, assuming the best-fit model parameters given in cols. (5) and (6). Col. (10): Comments.

L – SFR conversions:

UV SFR from Munoz & Mateos (2007)

$$\text{SFR} = \frac{L(\text{H}\alpha)}{1.26 \times 10^{41} \text{ erg s}^{-1}} M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$$

Kennicutt 1998

$$\text{SFR} = \frac{L(\text{FIR})}{2.2 \times 10^{43} \text{ erg s}^{-1}} M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$$

Kennicutt 1998

RADIO SFR from Bell (2003)

Subtraction of background:

1 - integrate differential $\log(N)$ - $\log(S)$ by Hasinger et al. (1998) accounting for (i) different band, (ii) different assumptions on spectral slopes (2 and 1.7), (iii) absorption from Galaxy ---->

we get the surface number density of contaminating sources q (number of contaminating sources with flux $> S_{lim}$ = limit flux)

2 - combine q with $\min(A_{obs}, A_{25})$

A_{obs} =observed area, A_{25} = area within R_{25}

Possible contamination from old stellar populations:

Colbert et al. (2004) ~0.2 of ULXs in spirals are due to old stellar populations

Liu, Bregman, Irwin (2006) suggest that all ULXs in ellipticals may be explained with contaminating sources --> no ULXs from old stellar populations?

---> contamination may be neglected as 0th-order approximation

X-ray in the sample:

**52/64 galaxies from Liu & Bregman (2005)
ROSAT-catalogue (most of them have new
Chandra and/or XMM data, which are
accounted for)**

**5/64 Local Group galaxies (MW, SMC, LMC,
IC10, NGC598)**

**7/64 non local galaxies (Cartwheel, Antennae,
Mice, NGC628, NGC 1058, NGC 5408, Circinus)**

The big list:

The Cartwheel, NGC253, NGC300, M33, M74,
NGC1058, NGC1073, NGC1291, NGC1313, NGC1365,
IC342, NGC1566, NGC1705, NGC2366, NGC2403,
NGC2442, HoII, NGC2903, M81, NGC3049, IC2574,
NGC3310, NGC3395-6, PGC35286, PGC35684,
Ngc3738, NGC3972, Antennae, NGC4144, NGC4214,
NGC4236, NGC4248, M99, M106, M61, M100, NGC4395,
NGC4449, NGC4485-90, NGC4501, NGC4559,
NGC4631, NGC4651, NGC4656, The Mice, NGC4736,
NGC4861, PGC45561, NGC5033, M63, M51, M83, Mkn
1479, NGC5408, M101, Circinus, NGC6946, IC5201,
NGC7714-5, NGC7742, MW, IC10, SMC, LMC

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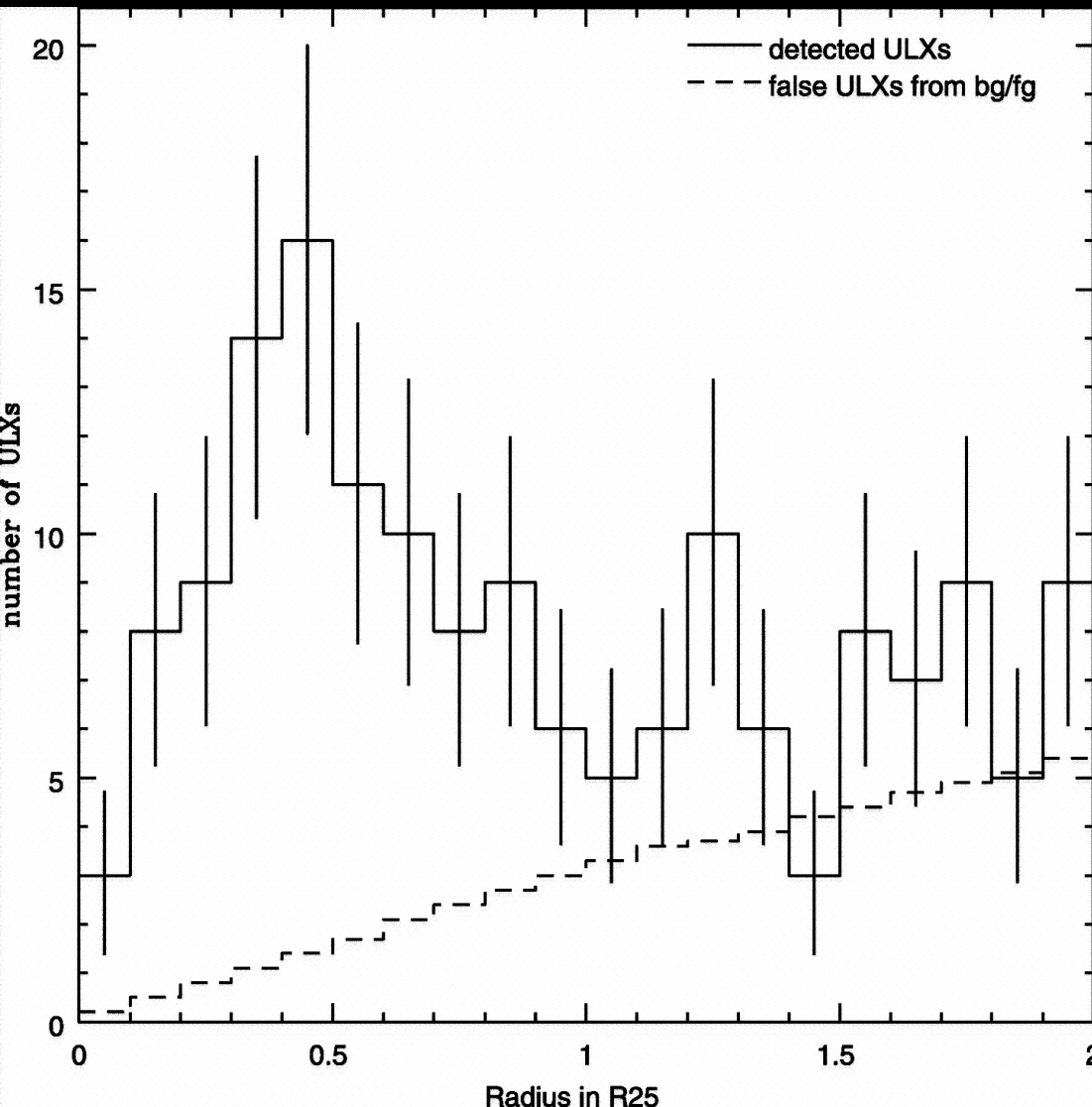
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N_{BH}	N_{ULX}	B10	all	$0.85^{+0.39}_{-0.13} (0.90 \pm 0.07)$	$-2.76^{+0.53}_{-0.76} (-3.00 \pm 0.30)$	11.1/62	0.93 (1×10^{-27})
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SFR	N_{ULX}	-	all	$0.91^{+0.26}_{-0.15} (0.90 \pm 0.08)$	$0.13^{+0.29}_{-0.34} (0.09 \pm 0.06)$	17.7/62	0.88 (4×10^{-22})
SFR	N_{ULX}	-	all	1.00(1.00)	$0.08 \pm 0.06 (0.02 \pm 0.04)$	17.8/63	0.88 (4×10^{-22})
SFR	N_{ULX}	-	lowZ	$0.75^{+0.30}_{-0.13} (0.80 \pm 0.08)$	$0.35^{+0.09}_{-0.11} (0.32 \pm 0.07)$	4.4/22	0.93 (8×10^{-11})
SFR	N_{ULX}	-	highZ	$0.83^{+0.37}_{-0.22} (0.94 \pm 0.15)$	$0.05^{+0.11}_{-0.20} (-0.06 \pm 0.10)$	6.4/38	0.88 (6×10^{-14})
Z/Z_{\odot}	N_{ULX}	-	all	$-0.21 \pm 0.27 (-0.85 \pm 0.15)$	$0.09 \pm 0.20 (-0.04 \pm 0.12)$	86.0/62	-0.16 (2×10^{-1})
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Z/Z_{\odot}	$N_{\text{ULX}}/\text{SFR}$	-	all	0.00	-0.03 ± 0.07	14.7/63	-0.30 (2×10^{-2})
SFR	N_{BH}^f	P98	all	0.96 ± 0.06	3.19 ± 0.04	13.8/62	0.82 (7×10^{-17})
SFR	N_{BH}^f	B10	all	0.97 ± 0.05	3.44 ± 0.04	6.3/62	0.95 (6×10^{-23})
Z/Z_{\odot}	N_{BH}^f	P98	all	-0.19 ± 0.29	$1.41^{+0.21}_{-0.25}$	153.9/62	-0.23 (7×10^{-2})
Z/Z_{\odot}	N_{BH}^f	B10	all	$0.05^{+0.20}_{-0.27}$	1.85 ± 0.24	183.2/62	-0.11 (4×10^{-1})
Z/Z_{\odot}	$N_{\text{BH}}/\text{SFR}^f$	P98	all	-0.60 ± 0.07	2.79 ± 0.05	9.4/62	-0.96 (2×10^{-37})
Z/Z_{\odot}	$N_{\text{BH}}/\text{SFR}^f$	B10	all	$-0.34^{+0.02}_{-0.05}$	3.22 ± 0.04	17.0/62	-0.98 (3×10^{-48})

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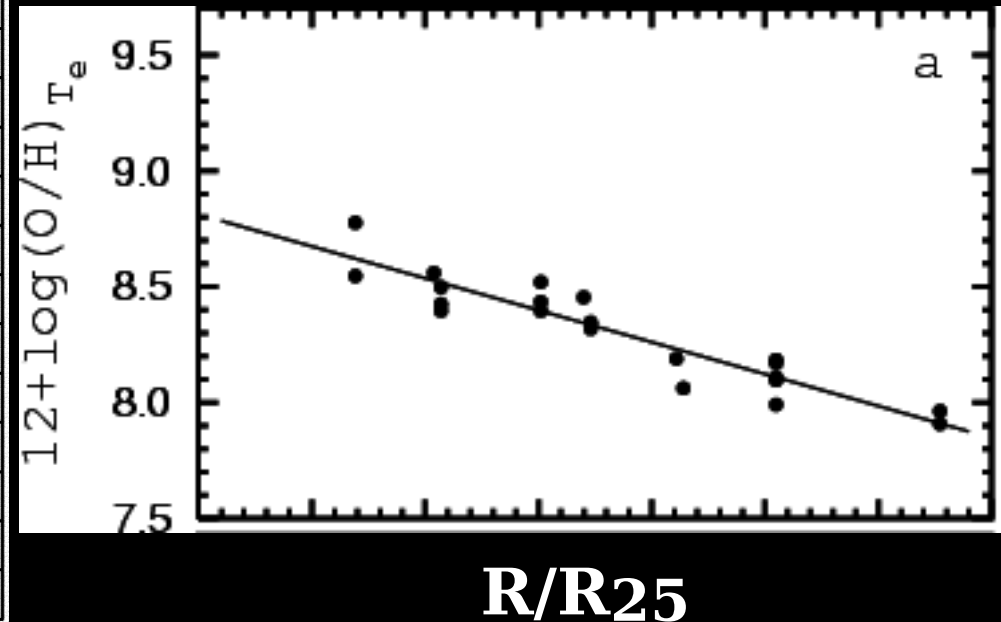
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Why Z at 0.7 R₂₅?

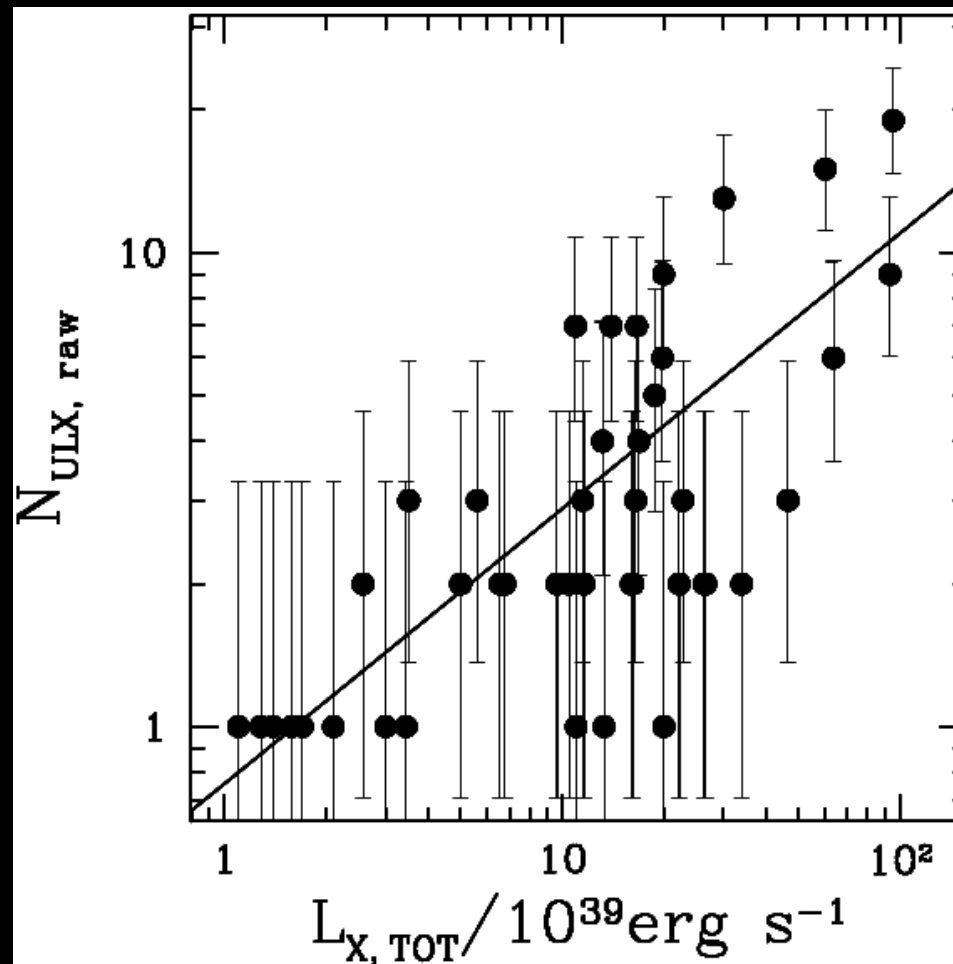
average ULX distance from the centre in spiral galaxies (Liu, Bregman & Irwin 2006):



**we use
metallicity
gradients**



L-SFR relation in our sample



BUT we prefer to use N_{ULX} because:

- 1. straightforward comparison with NBH**
- 2. less dependent on L variability**
- 3. we do not have to integrate the spectrum over a given range**

Slides riserva

1) pilyugin

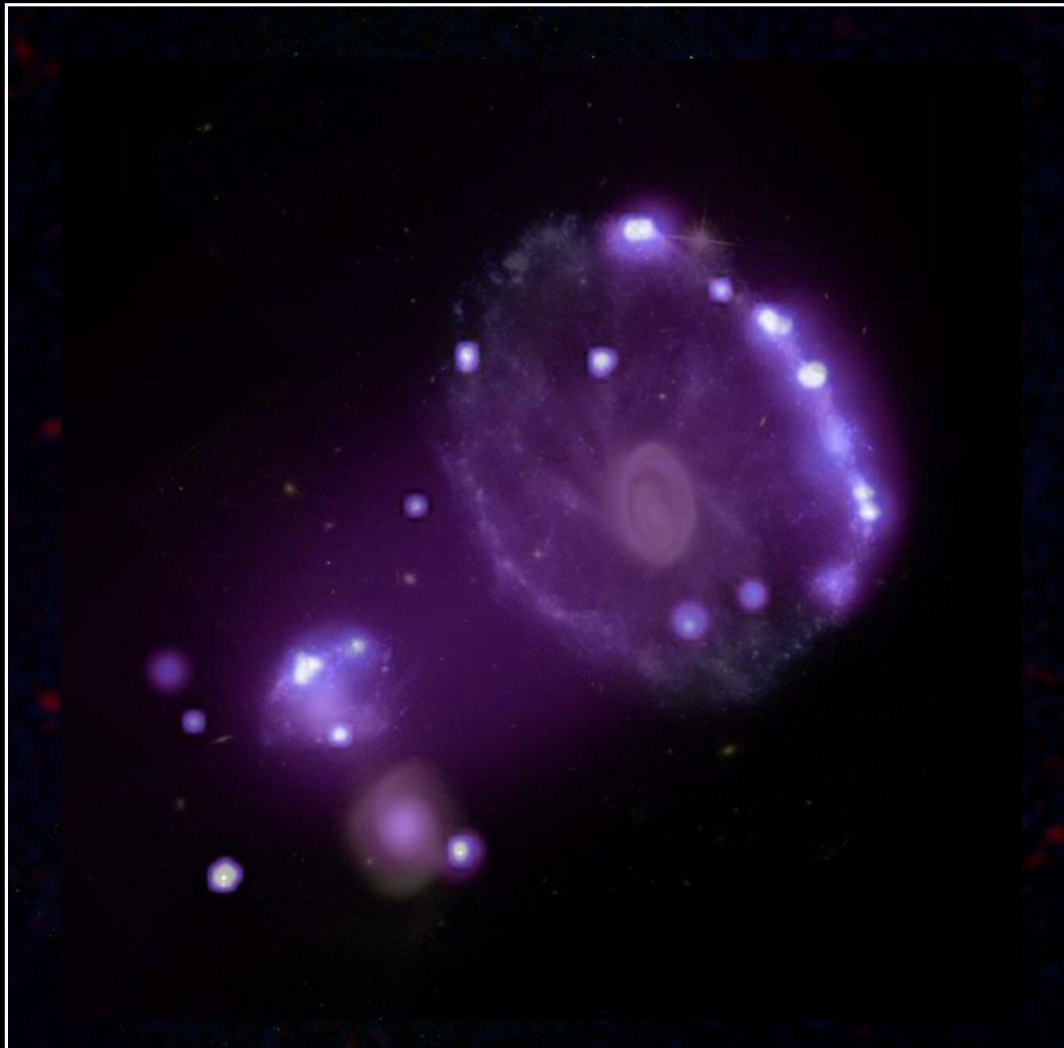
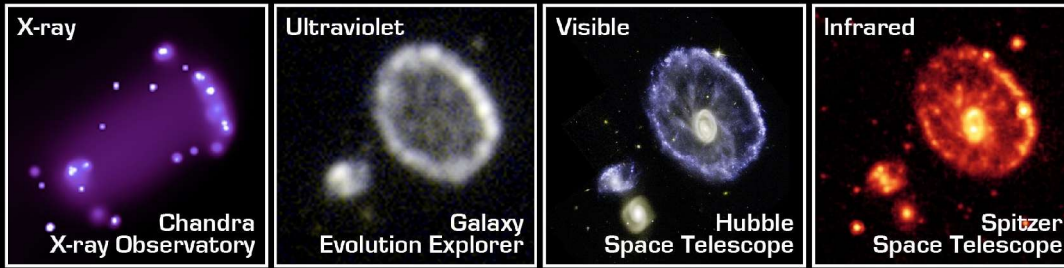
2) lista galassie?

3) SFR conversion?

4) comparison bressan – belczynski

5) metal deficient galaxies

Cartwheel properties:



-multifrequency observations

-gas-rich star forming ring

**-stars young in ring-
intermed. age in bulge**

-SPOKES associated with stars

-X-RAY sources in the RING



Cartwheel's X-ray sources

Are ULXs powered by IMBHs?

IMBHs can be:

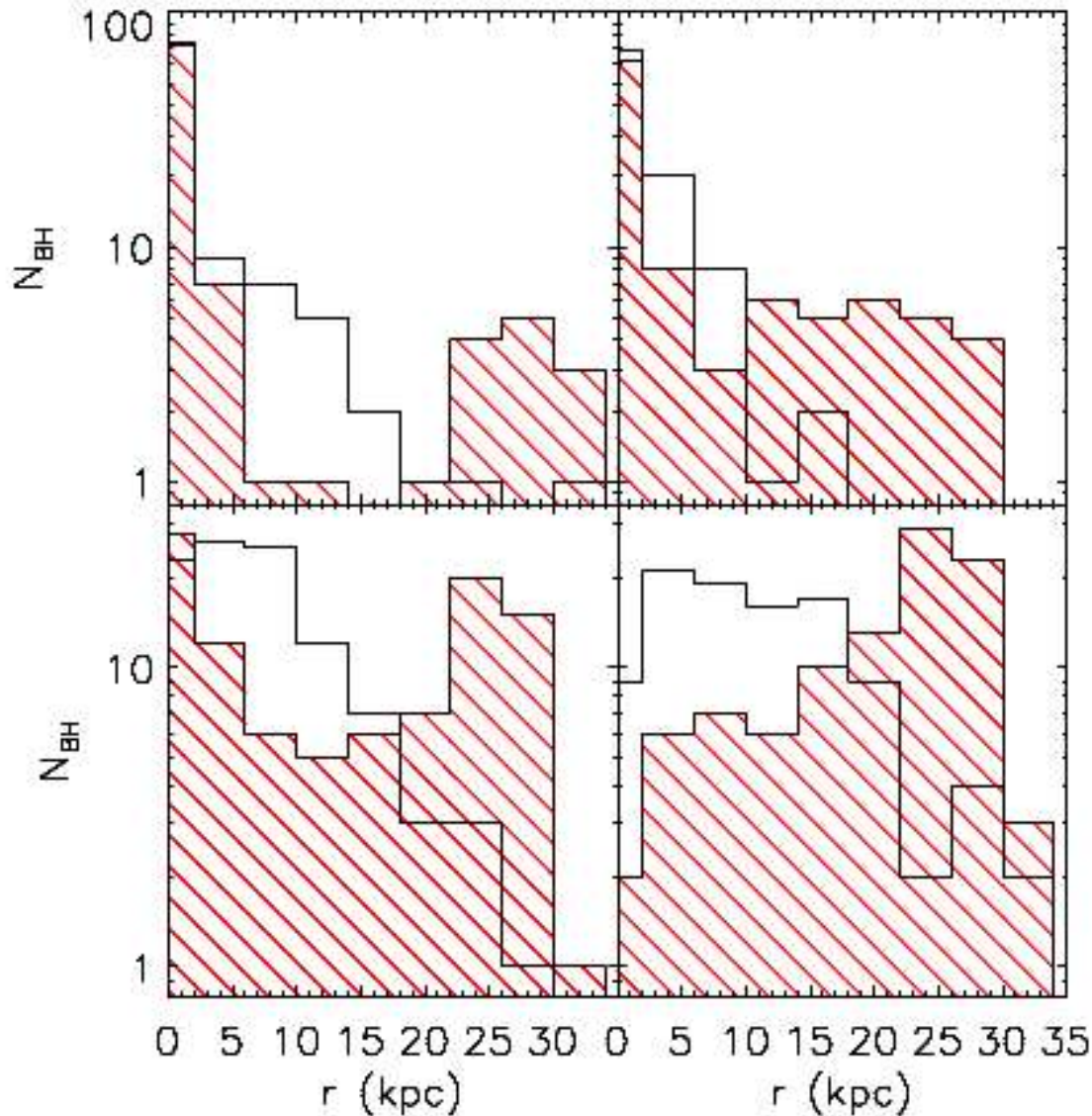
- HALO population, if born at high redshift
by pop III stars

form only BEFORE the galaxy collision

- DISC population, if formed by runaway
collapse in young clusters

form both before and after the collision

Are ULXs powered by IMBHs?



during the interaction
-HALO IMBHs remain
almost unperturbed

↓
NO ULXs

- 50-80 % of pre-existing
disc BHs are ejected
in the ring

↓
maybe ULXs

MECHANISMS of ACCRETION

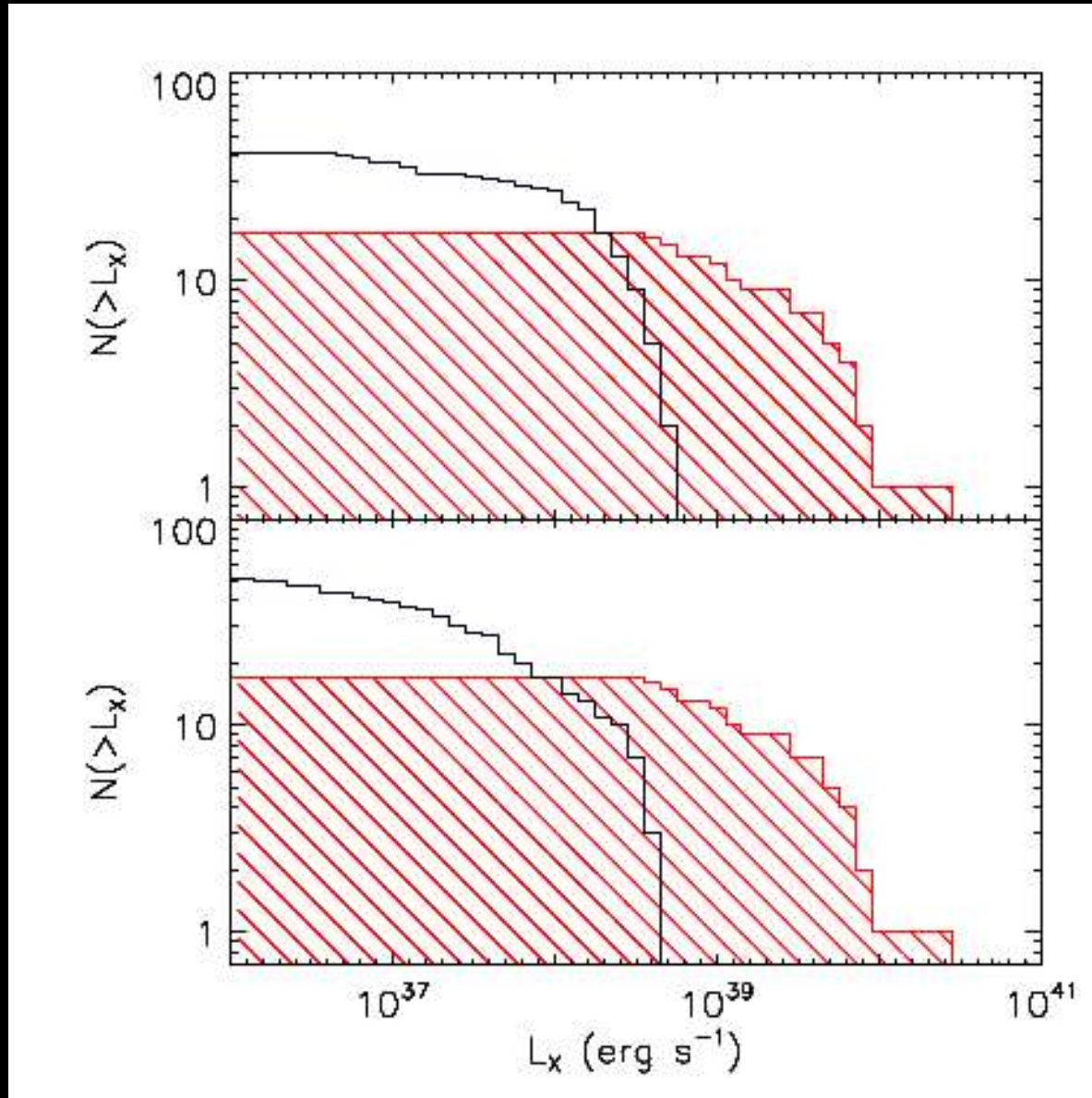
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BONDI-HOYLE

2) IMBHs in binary systems accrete from companion stars via mass transfer

MECHANISMS of ACCRETION

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1000 Msun IMBHs
rad. efficiency = 0.1

NO ULXs due to
gas accreting disc
IMBHs

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-spend 3 % of their life in mass transfer (Blecha et al. 2006)

**-if companion mass $< 10 M_{\text{sun}}$ (~ 40 Myr) TRANSIENT ULXs
(Portegies Zwart et al. 2004)**

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(Patruno et al. 2005)**

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out of 100 IMBHs in the ring
only ~3 do mass transfer at present

$$N_{BH,MT} = 2.4 \left(\frac{f_{MT}}{0.03} \right) \left(\frac{N_{BH,ring}}{79} \right)$$

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disc IMBHs accreting from stars
formed before the collision give only
TRANSIENT ULXs, but we observe
also persistent ones

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> 500 disc IMBHs accreting from
YOUNG stars are required to
produce 15 bright X-ray sources:
HUGE

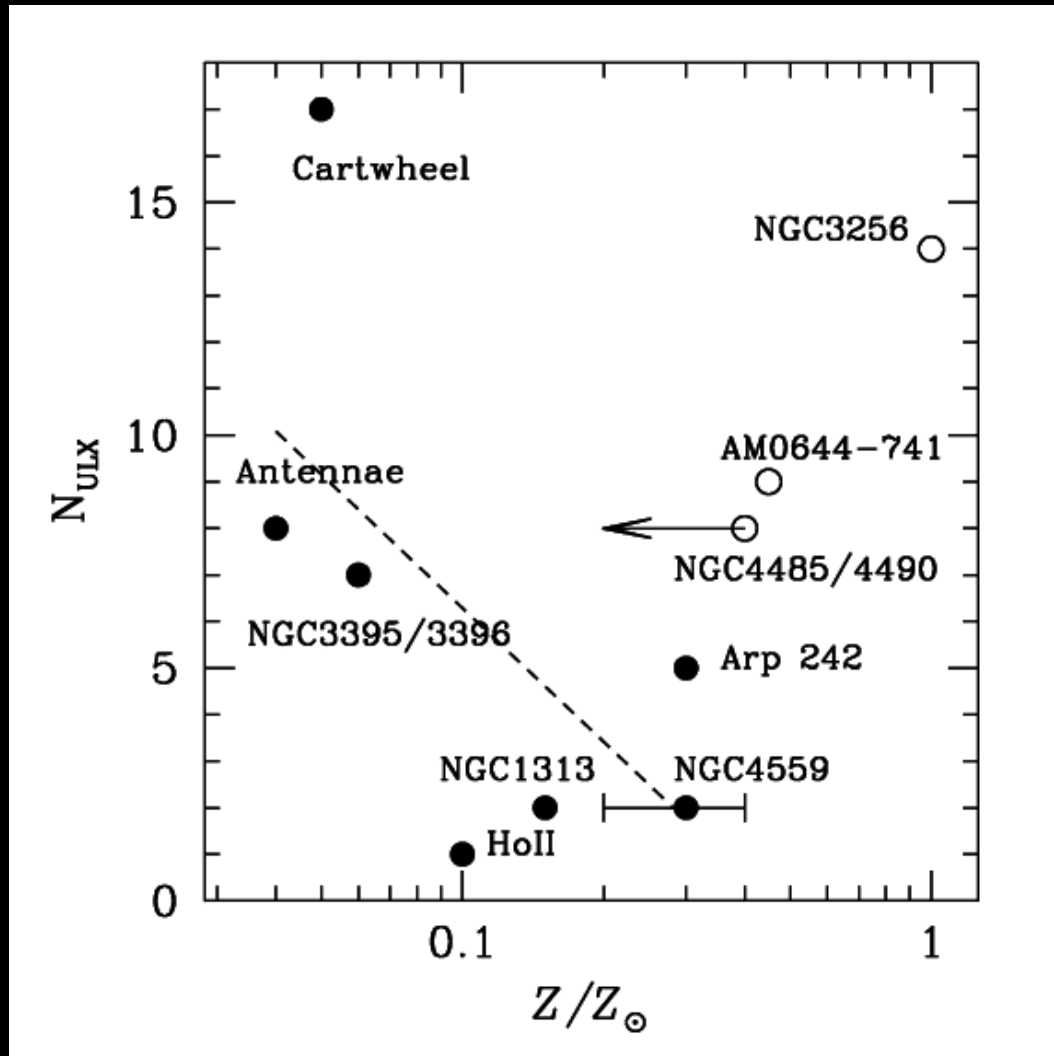
CONCLUSIONS for Cartwheel's ULXs:

1) HALO IMBHs can never produce ULXs

2) DISC IMBHs accreting gas do not produce ULXs

3) DISC IMBHs accreting YOUNG MASSIVE stars can account ONLY for the BRIGHTEST X-RAY SOURCES ($< \sim 5$)

Comparison with other galaxies



Is the metallicity very low in all the galaxies which host many ULXs?

$$\beta = -9.53$$

$$\gamma = -3.25$$

$$N_{ULX} = \beta \log_{10}(Z/Z_{\odot}) + \gamma$$

Alternative mechanisms to form massive BHs

Can these BHs account for ~17 ULXs?

$$\epsilon_{\text{BH}} \equiv \frac{N_{\text{ULX}}}{N_{\text{BH}}} \sim 10^{-5} - 10^{-4}$$

reasonable efficiency

FUTURE:

1) Cosmological simulations should address the problem of peculiar galaxies (dedicated zooms)

2) More comparisons with observations!

- velocity fields of LSBs**

- metallicity measurements in galaxies with ULXs**

- comparison between simulations and archival data of lopsided galaxies**

