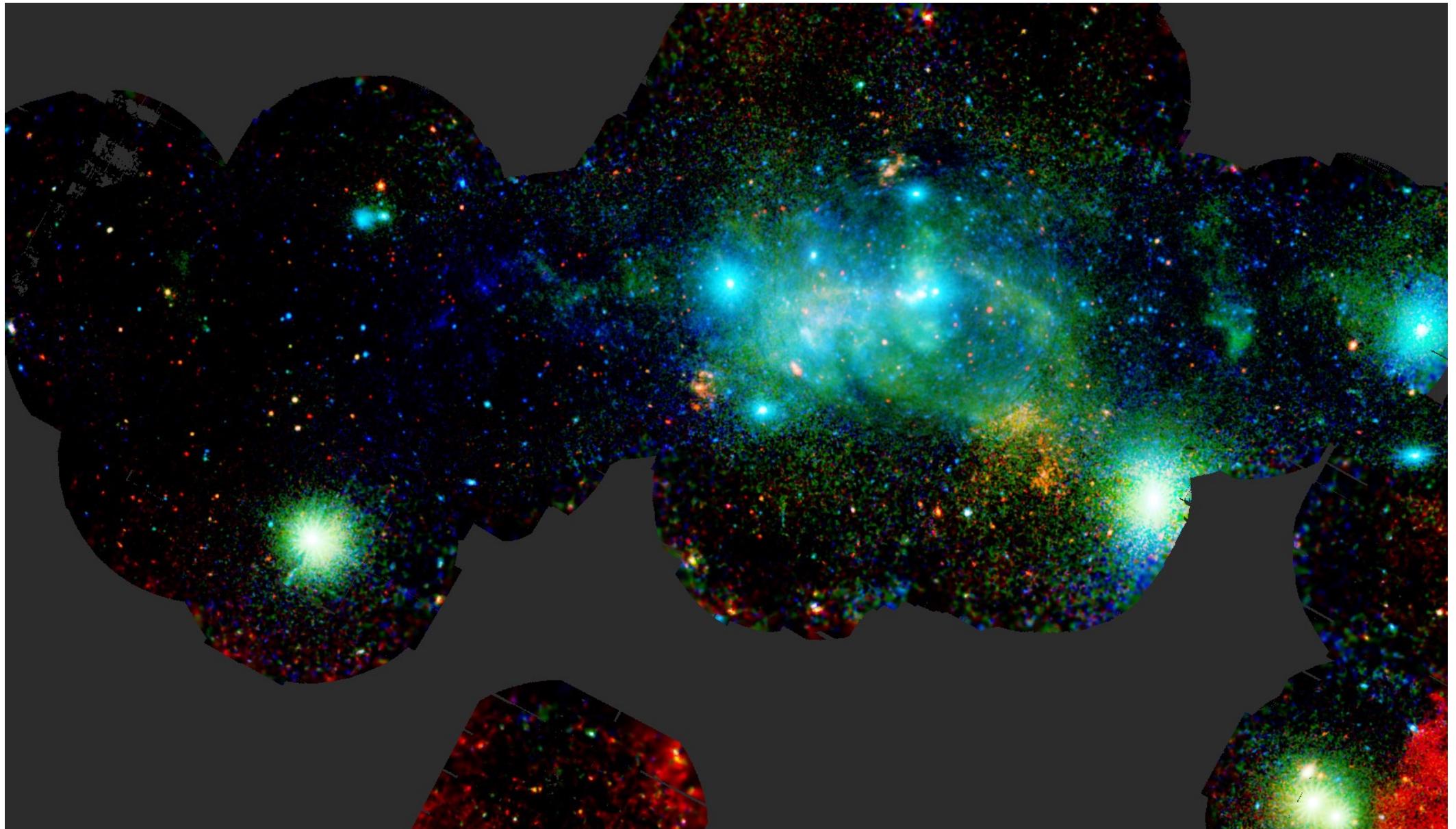


XMM scan of the Galactic center



ESA News/XMM-Newton/G. Ponti et al. 2015a

Gabriele Ponti (MPE Garching)

Morris, Terrier, Haberl, Sturm, Clavel, Soldi, Goldwurm, Predehl, Belanger, Warwick, Tatischeff

What is your background?

What is your name?

Current scientific project?

What you would like to do after this project?

Why?

When I was sitting in your position, I was expecting from the speaker...

To get a comprehensive overview of the Galactic center science

... with a theoretical framework of all the science

→ To know the solution to tasks that I will be facing
(e.g., “Settimana enigmistica” → get the correct answer)

→ University preparation

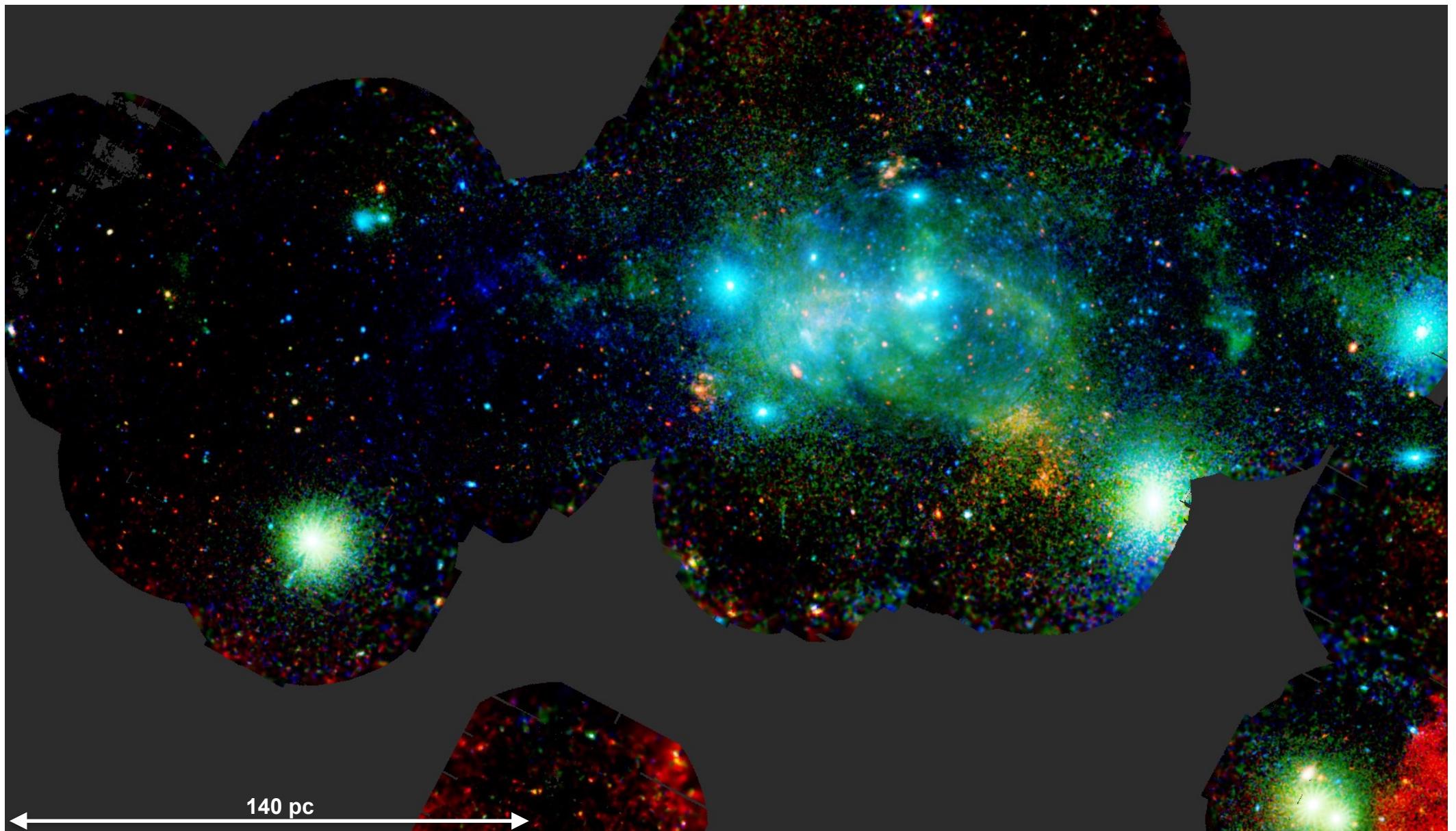
Research is adding new knowledge

→ Nobody has the correct answer (yet)

→ You will learn and become the expert!

→ ***Present a few experiments***

→ Explain this image!



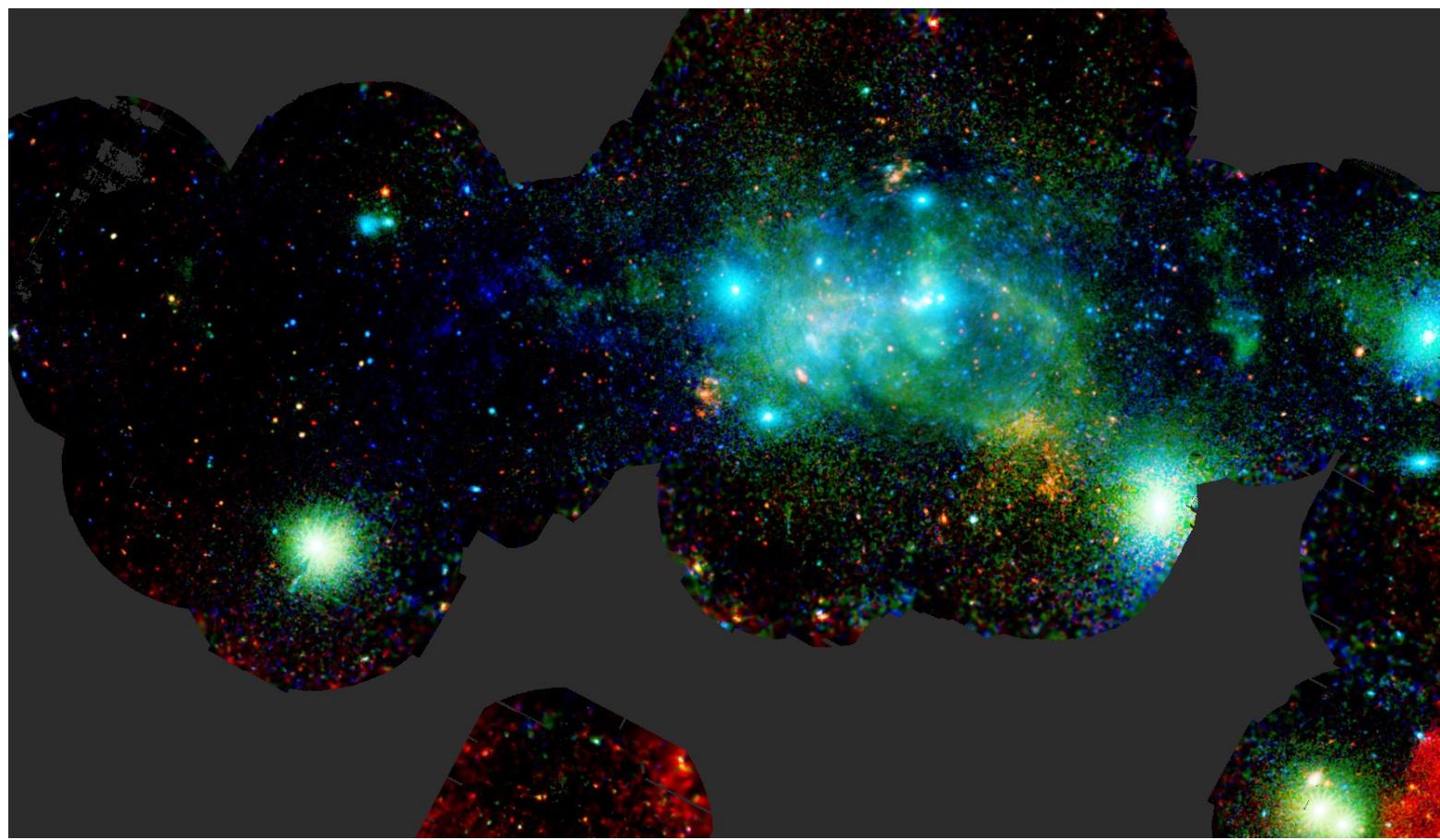
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Healthy questions:

Why should I do this work/project?

What are the prospects?

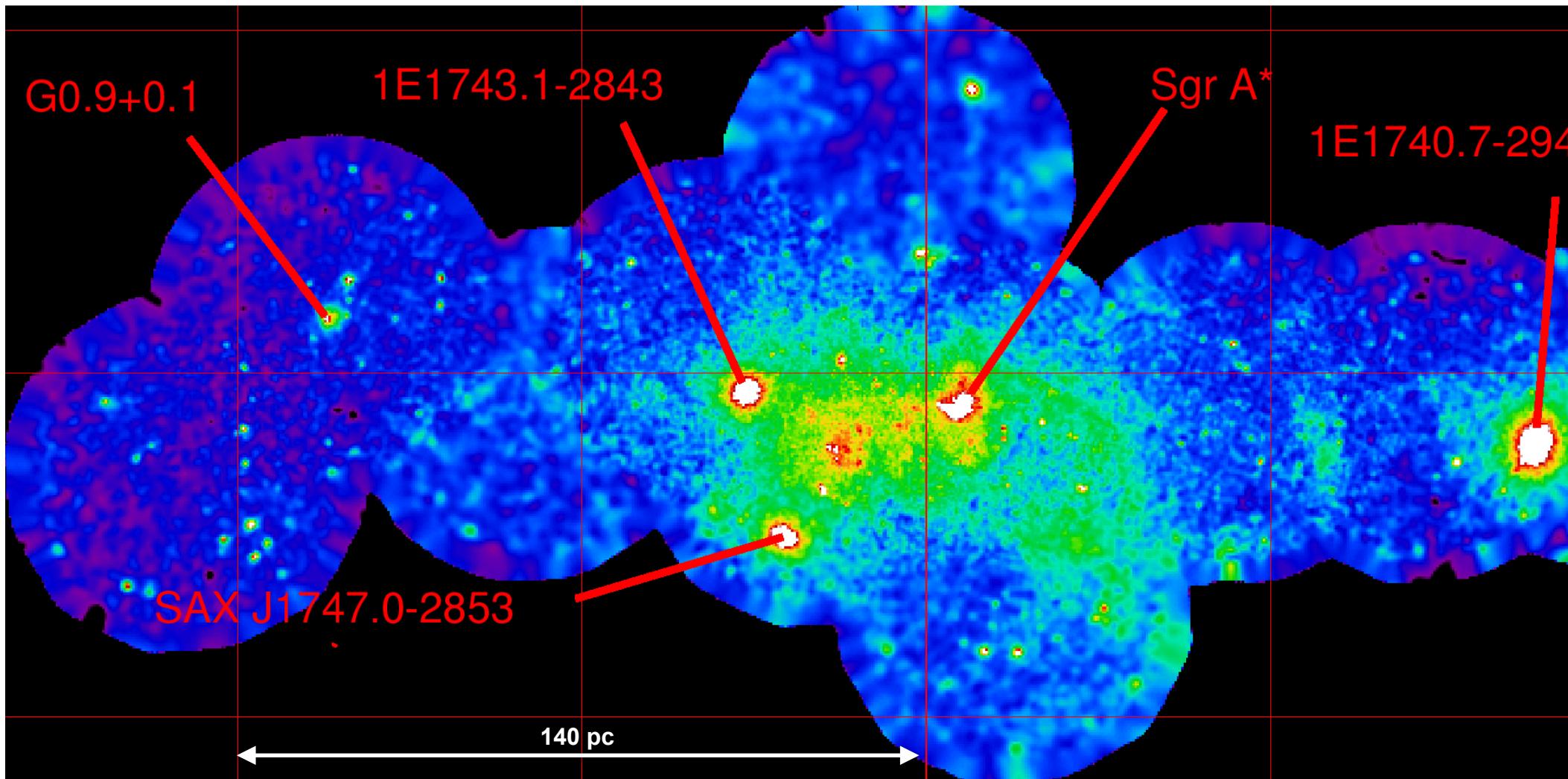
What could be my contribution?



The old XMM-Newton view of the GC

First XMM scan of CMZ (2000-2002)

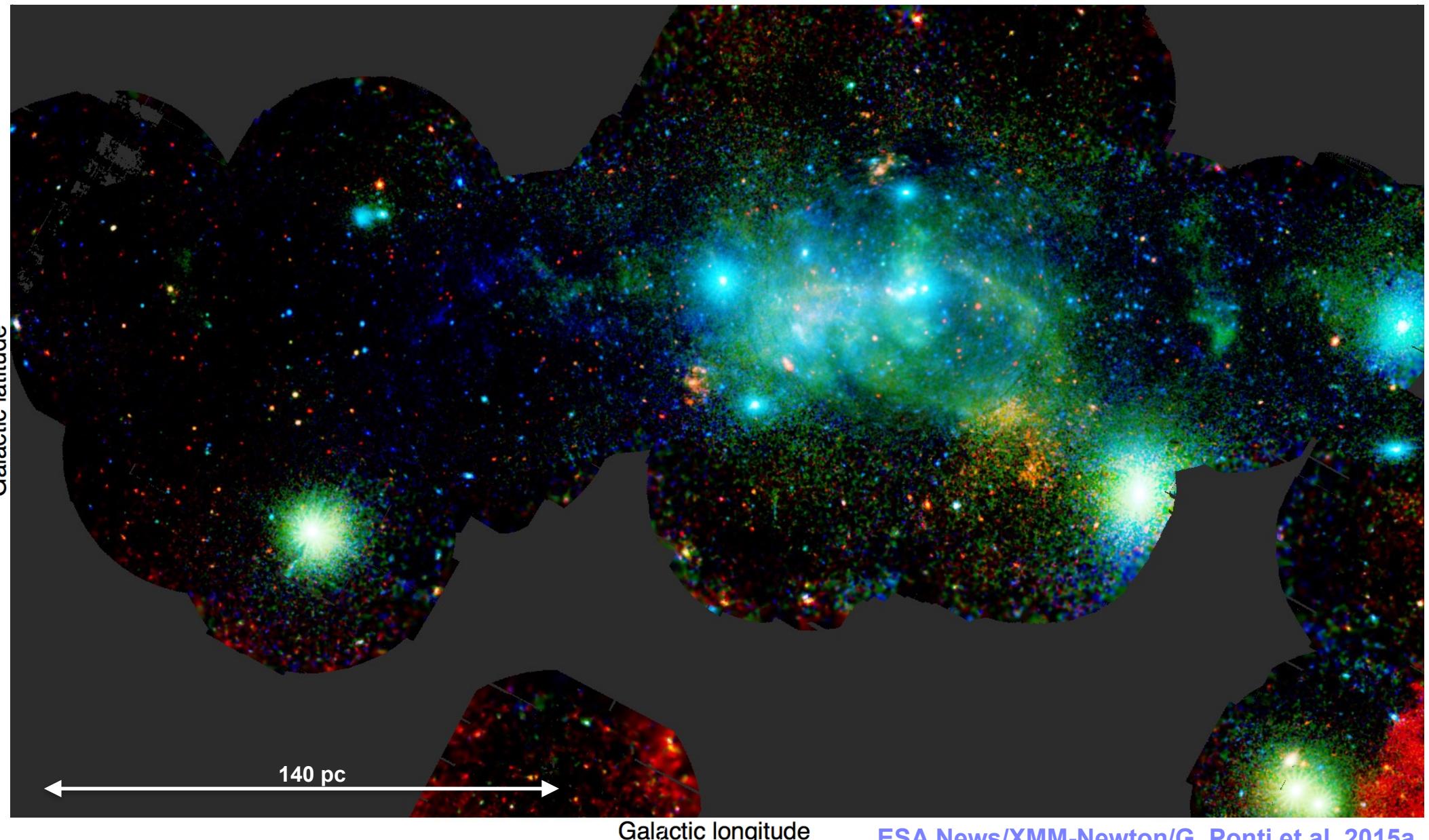
Decourchelle +02



XMM-Newton key project

The XMM-Newton view of the GC

Ponti +15

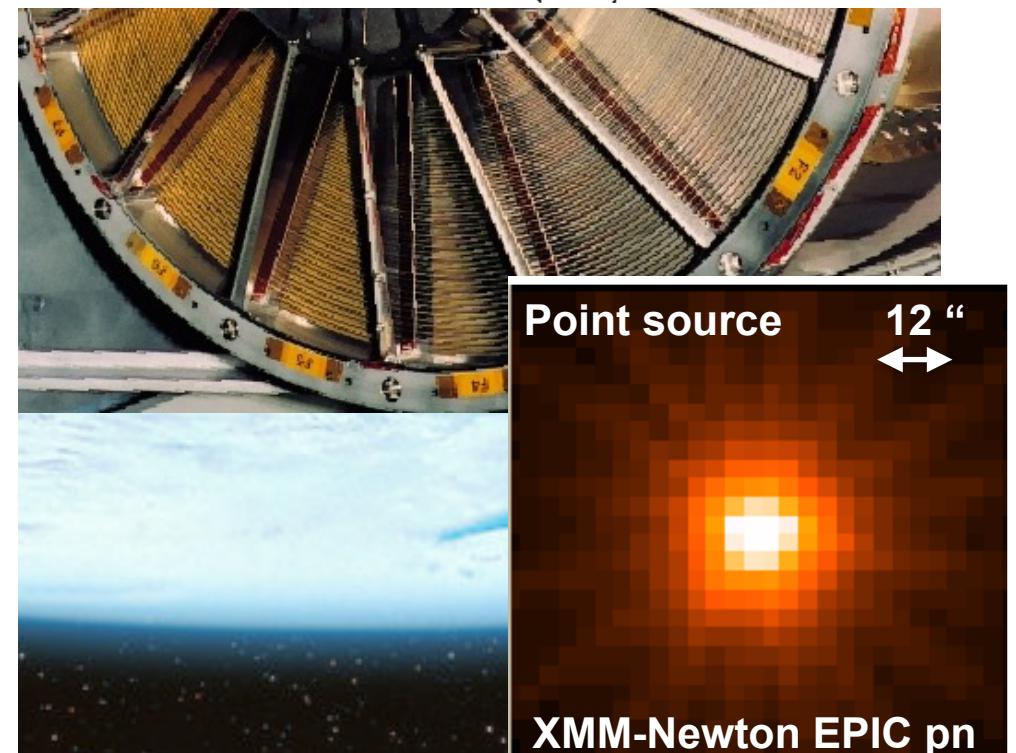
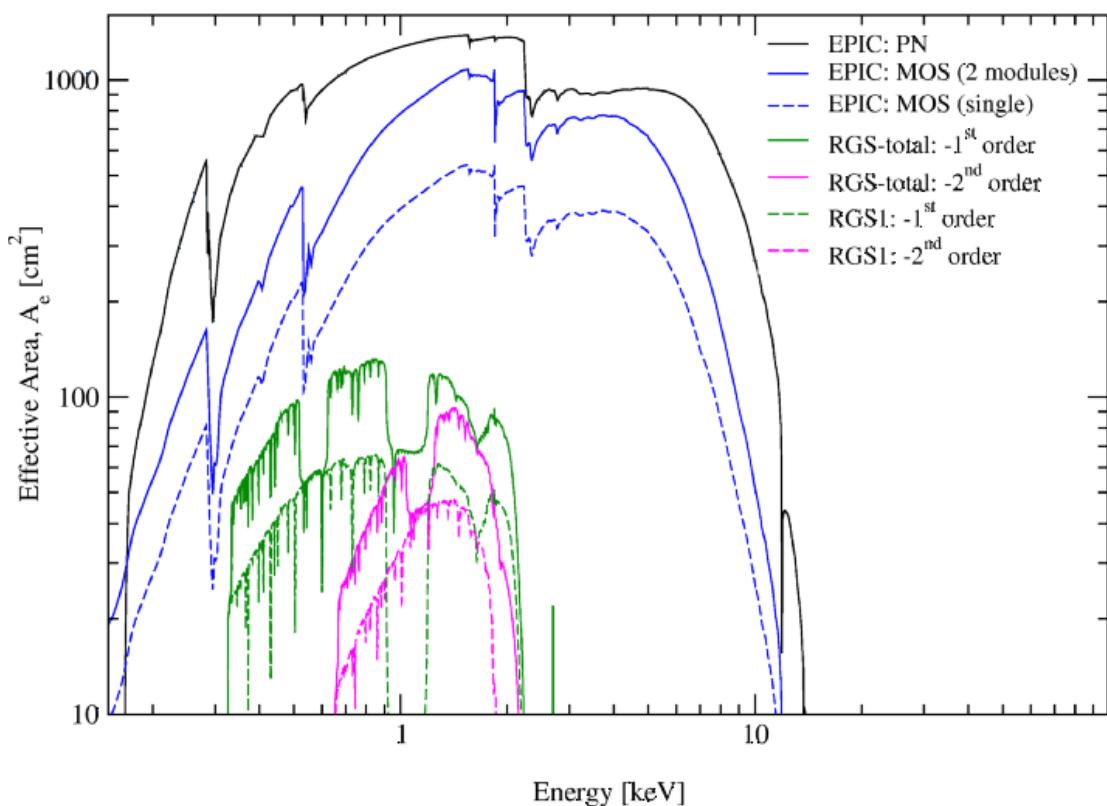
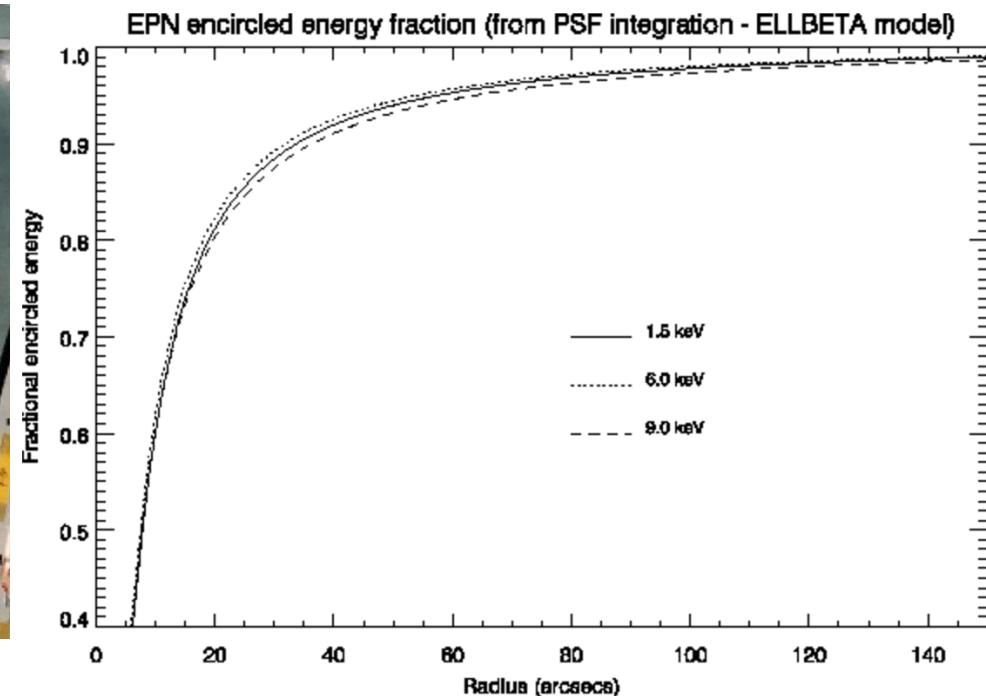
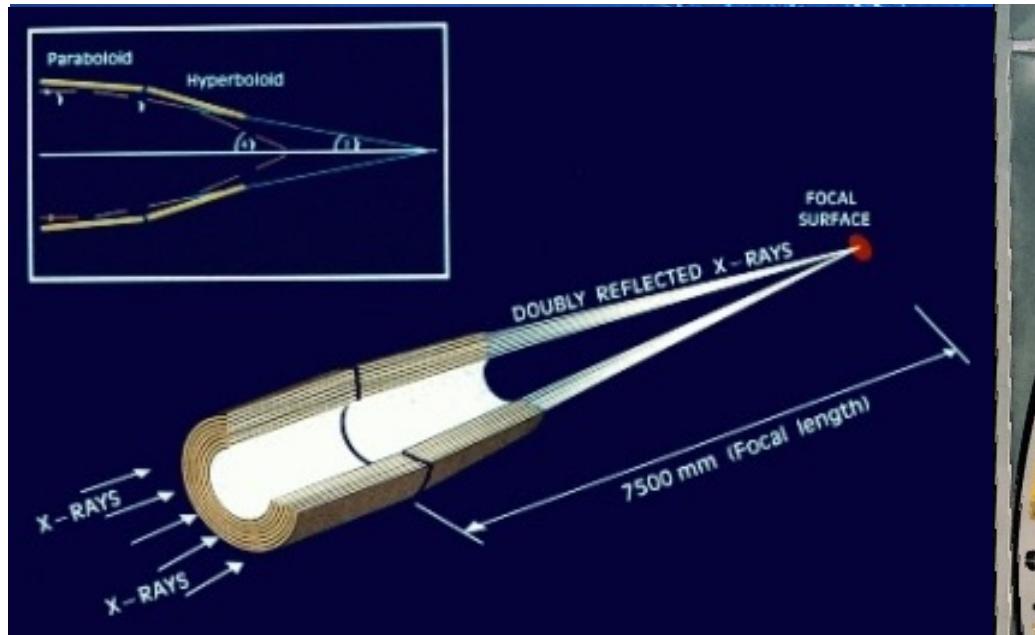


More than 100 EPIC observations

Exposure > 1.5 Ms (central 15')
> 200 ks in the plane

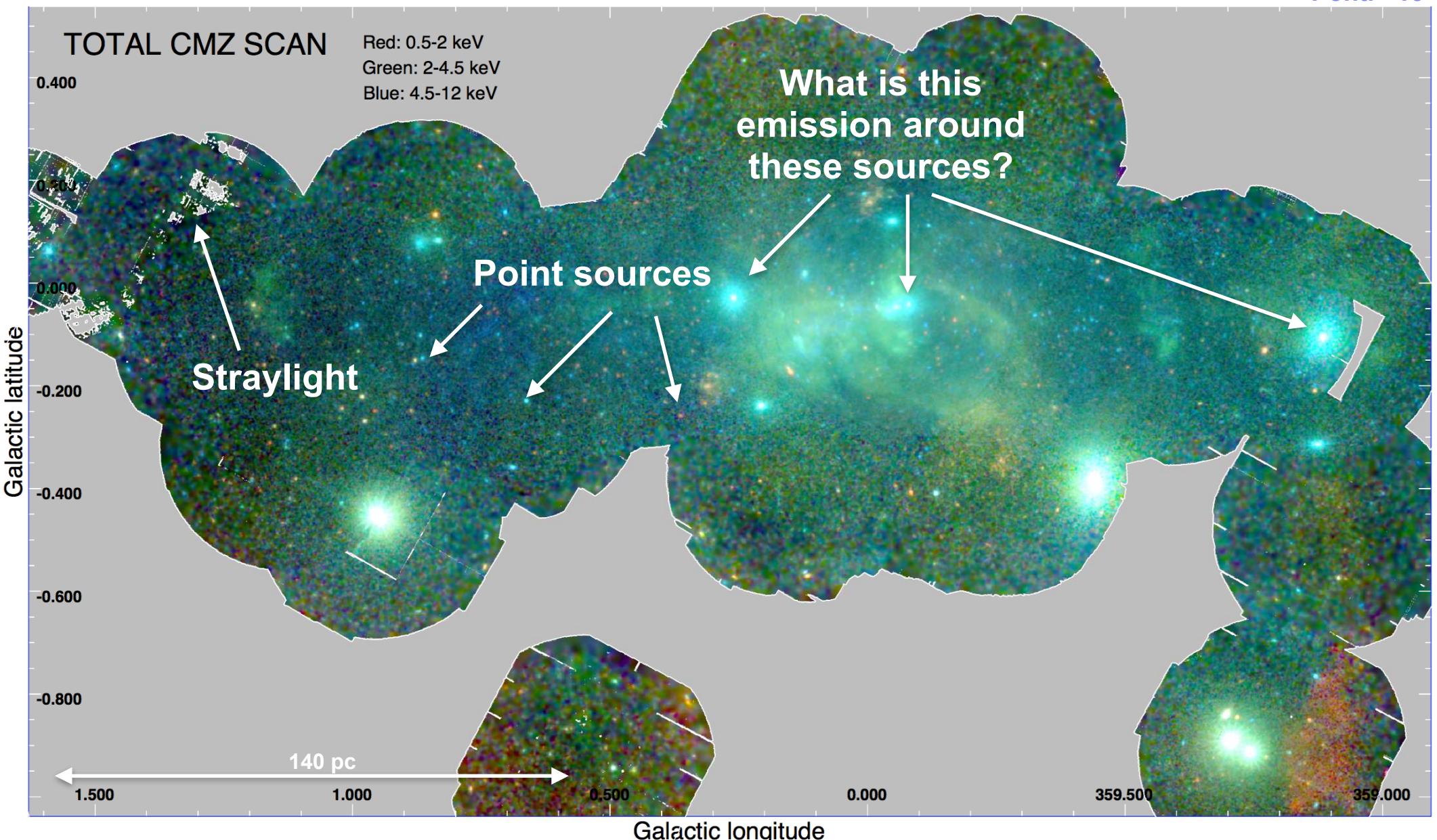
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XMM-Newton the instrument



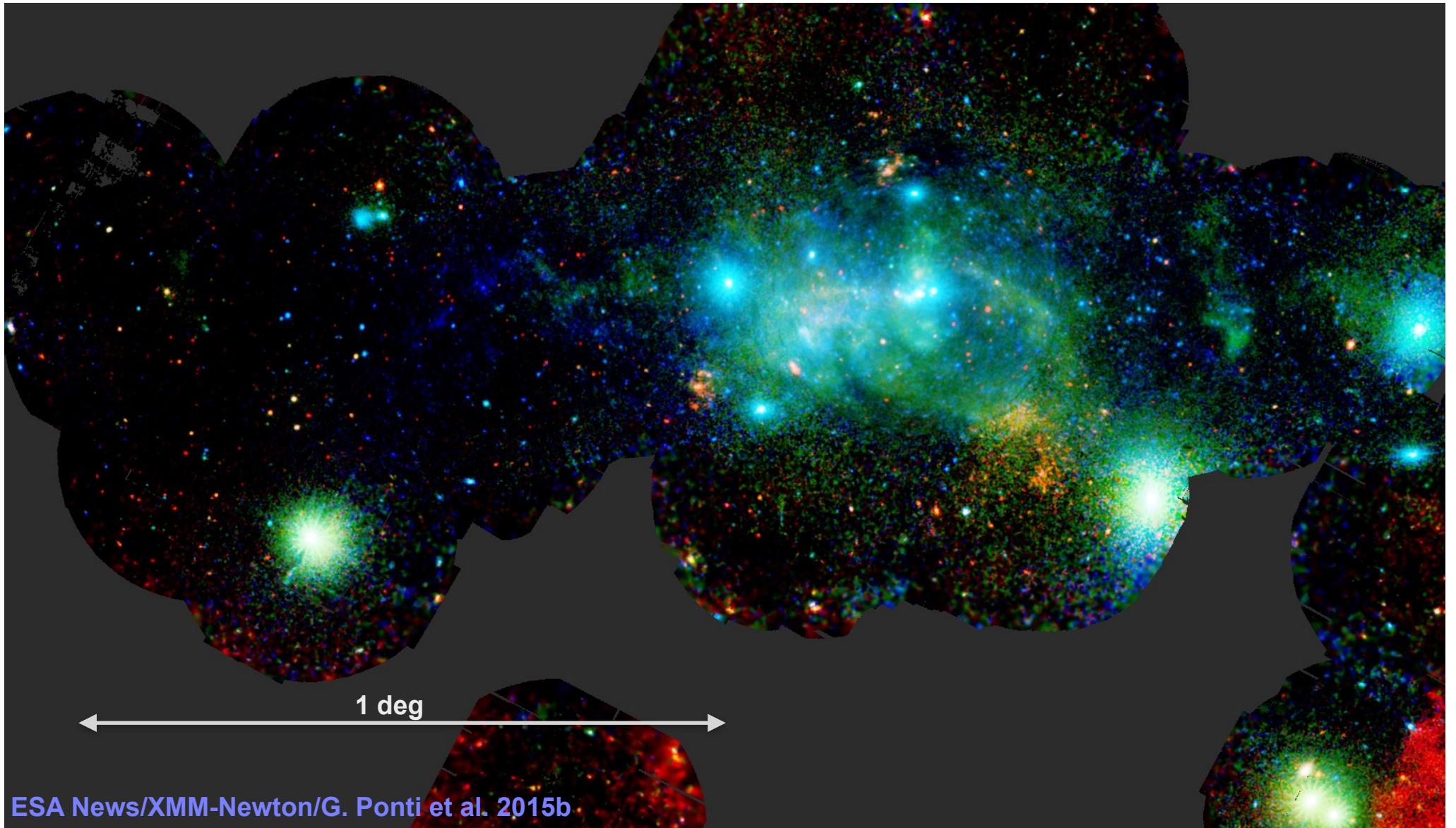
The XMM-Newton view of the GC

Ponti +15



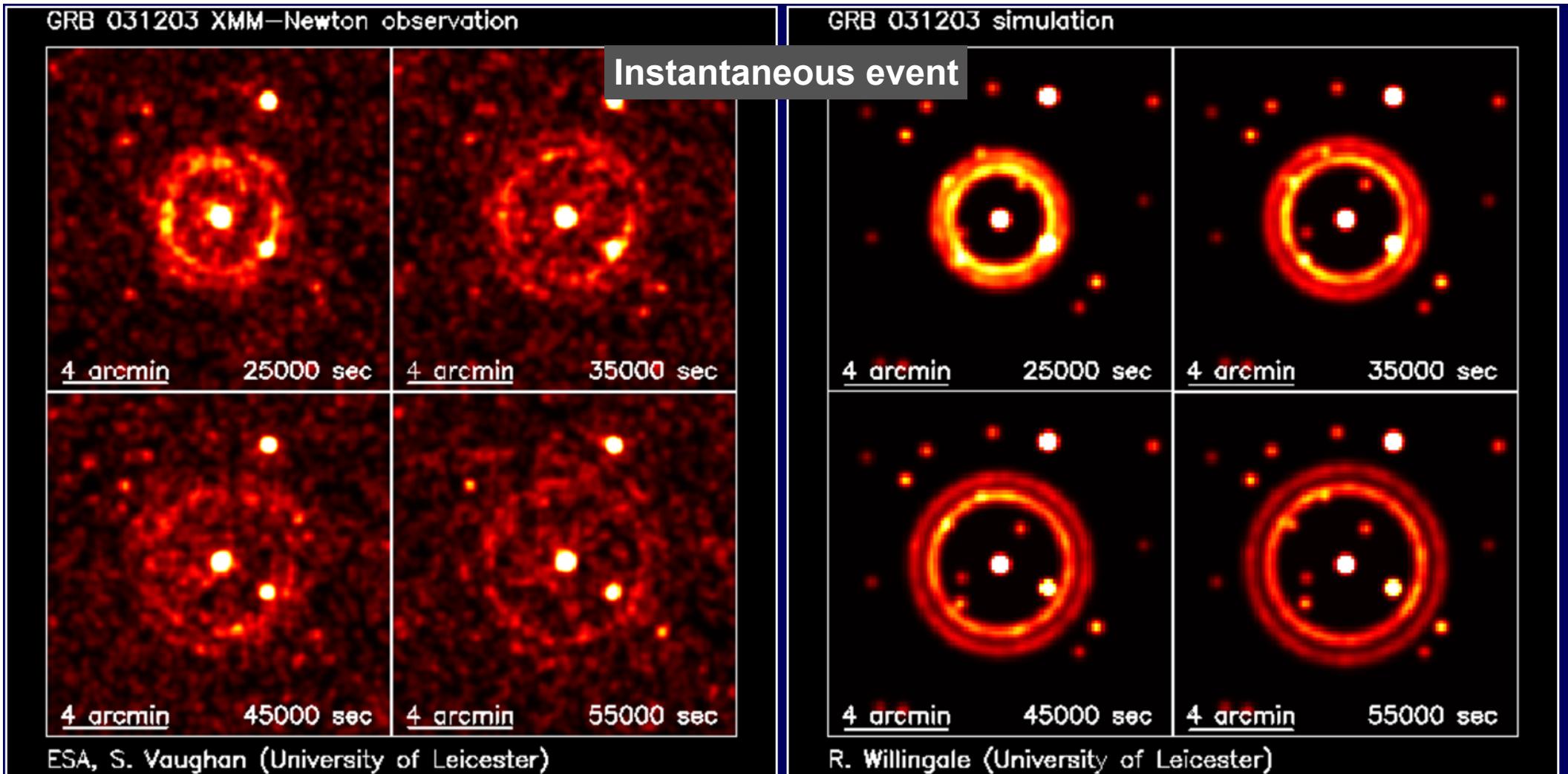
Thousands of X-ray point sources!
(Chandra detected >9000)

Scattering of X-ray radiation by dust



ESA News/XMM-Newton/G. Ponti et al. 2015b

Dust scattering halo evolution after a GRB



Dust scattering produces a ring of scattered and delayed light

Number of rings → number of layers

The rings increase with time

Ring size → fractional distance

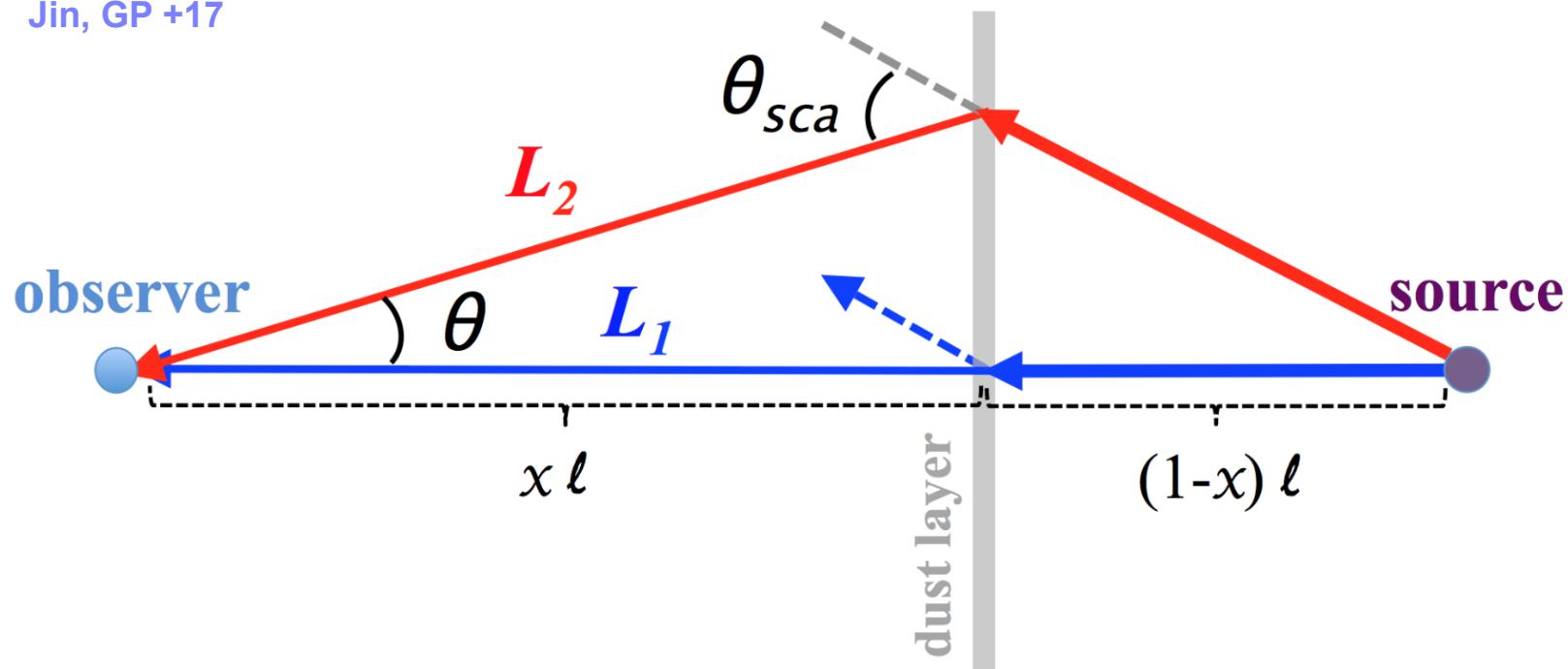
Truemper +73;
Predehl +95;
Valencic +15;
Heinz +16;
Jin +17

Scattering of X-ray radiation by dust

Intensity of scattering light



Jin, GP +17



Column density

$$I_{sca}^{(1)}(\theta) = F_X N_{H,sca} \int_{E_{min}}^{E_{max}} S(E) \int_0^1 \frac{f(x)}{(1-x)^2} \int_{a_{min}}^{a_{max}} n(a) \times \frac{d\sigma_{sca}(a, x, E, \theta)}{d\Omega} da dx dE$$

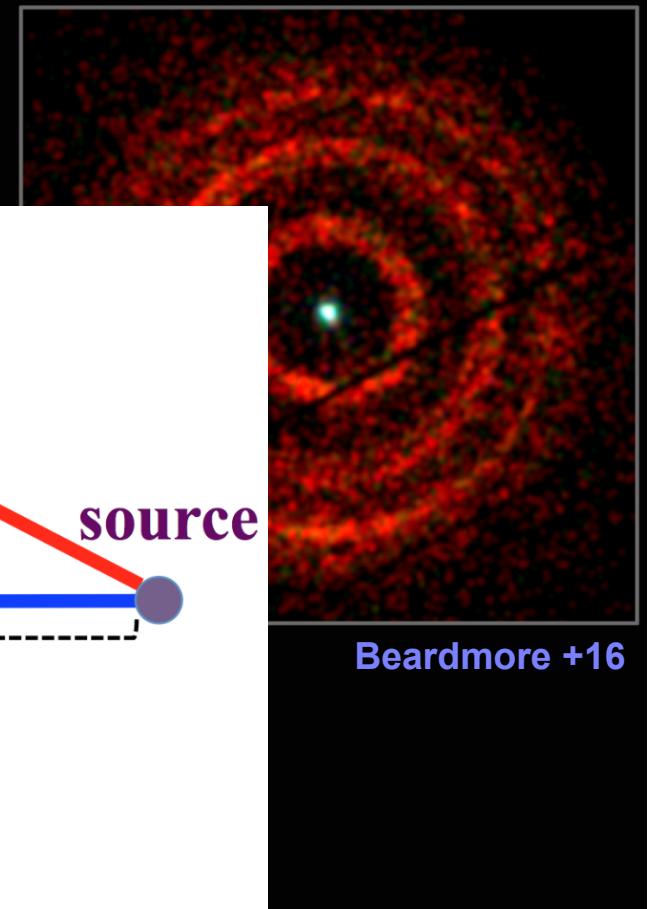
Source spectrum

Dust size distribution

Fractional distance

Jin, GP +17

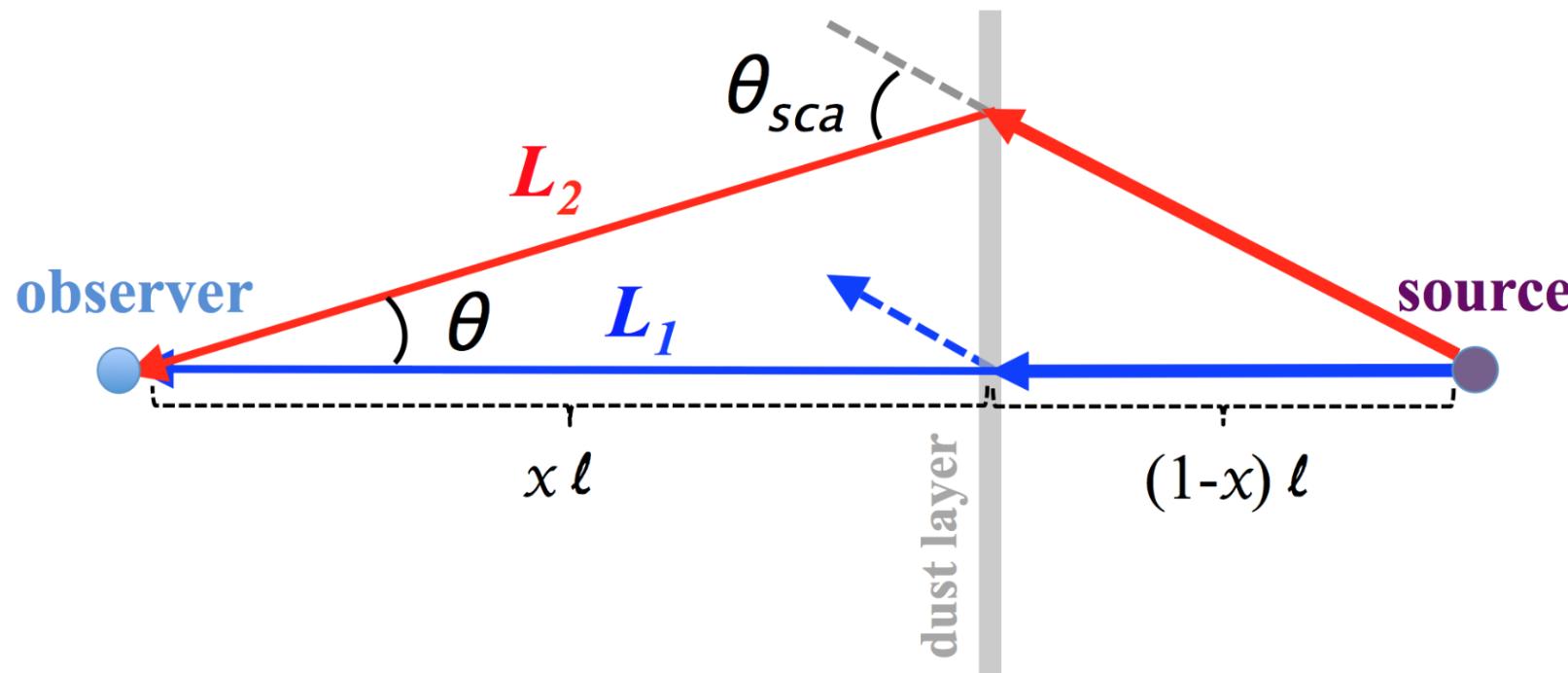
Residual X-rays after V404 Cyg's outburst



Beardmore +16

Scattering of X-ray radiation by dust

| | Source spectrum | Dust size distribution |
|-------------------------------|---|--|
| | Column density | Fractional distance |
| Intensity of scattering light | $I_{sca}^{(1)}(\theta) = F_X N_{H,sca} \int_{E_{min}}^{E_{max}} S(E) \int_0^1 \frac{f(x)}{(1-x)^2} \int_{a_{min}}^{a_{max}} n(a)$ | Jin, GP +17 |
| | Differential cross section | $\times \frac{d\sigma_{sca}(a, x, E, \theta)}{d\Omega} da dx dE$ |



Dust scattering halos to derive:

- Dust location along line of sight → Dust composition
- Dust grain size → Dust to gas ratio

Energy dependence of the halo

Intensity of scattering light

Column density

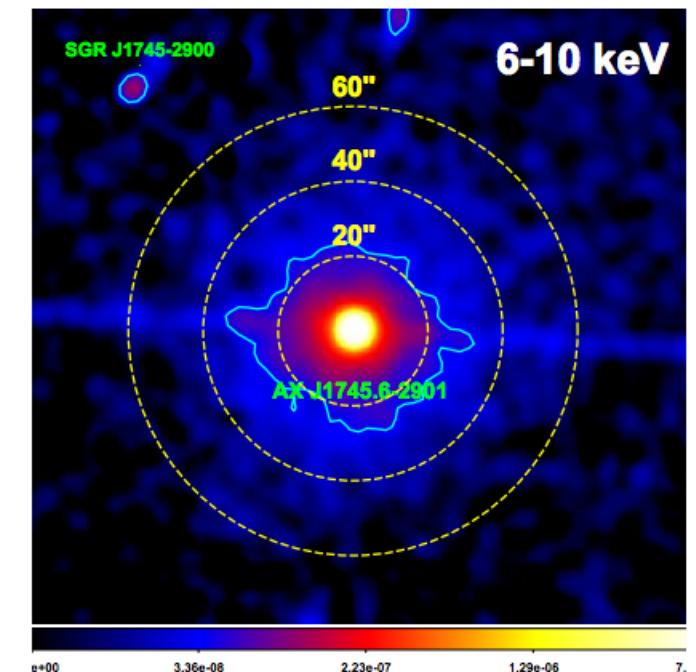
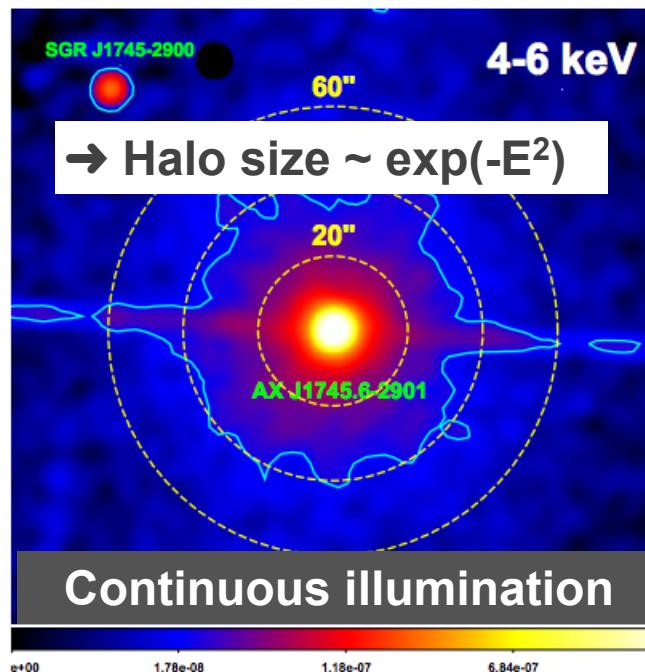
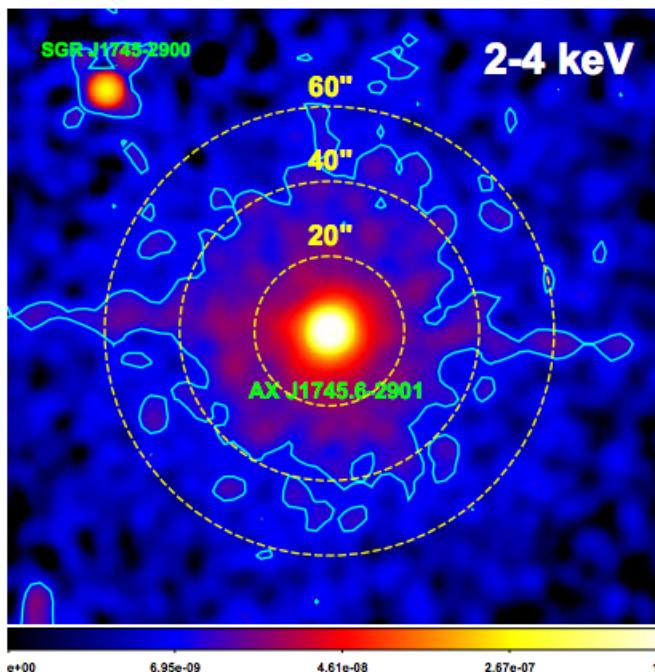
Fractional distance

Source spectrum

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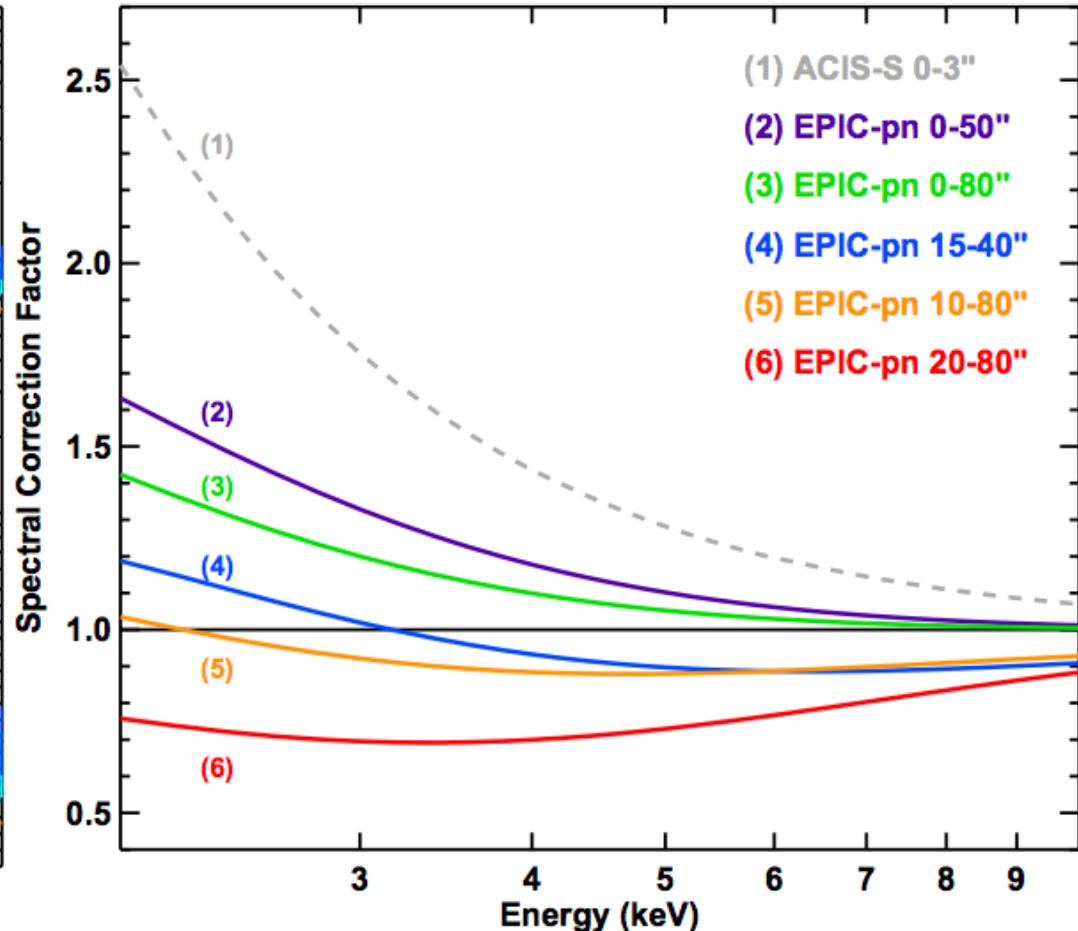
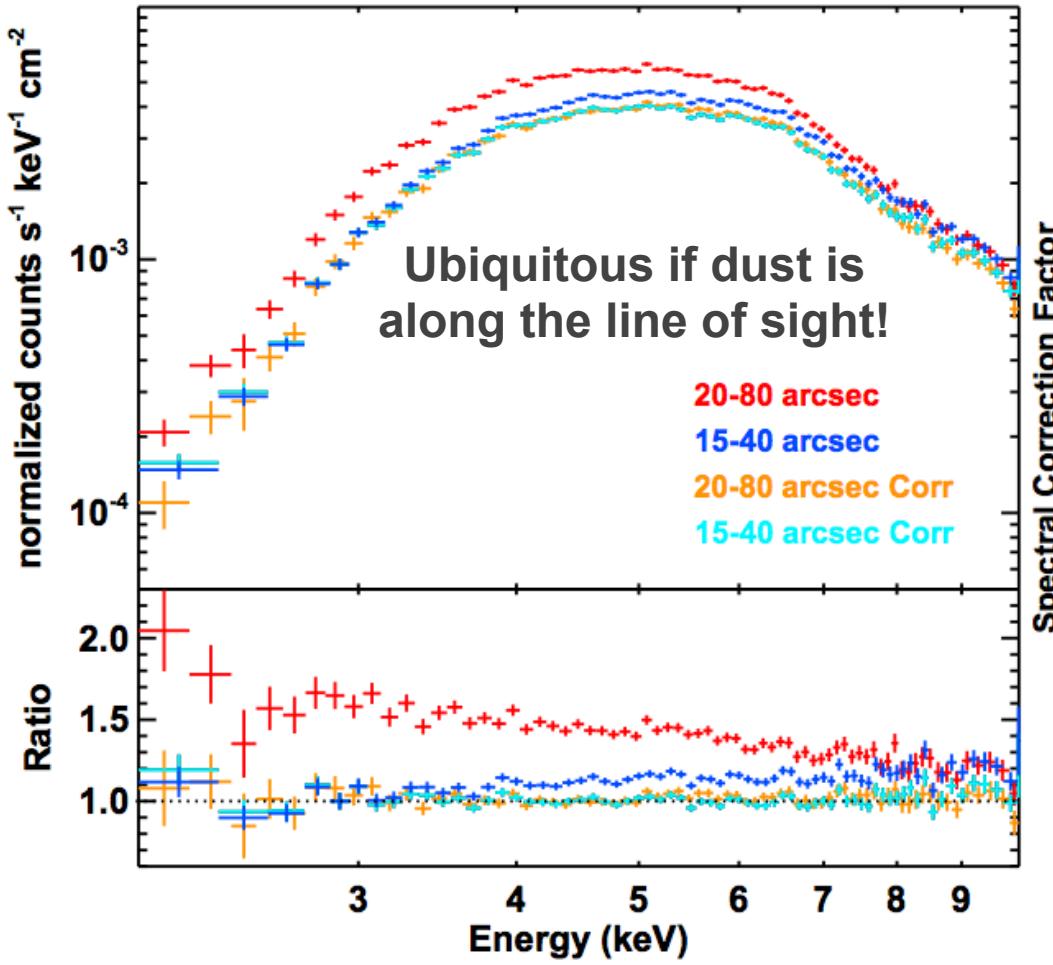
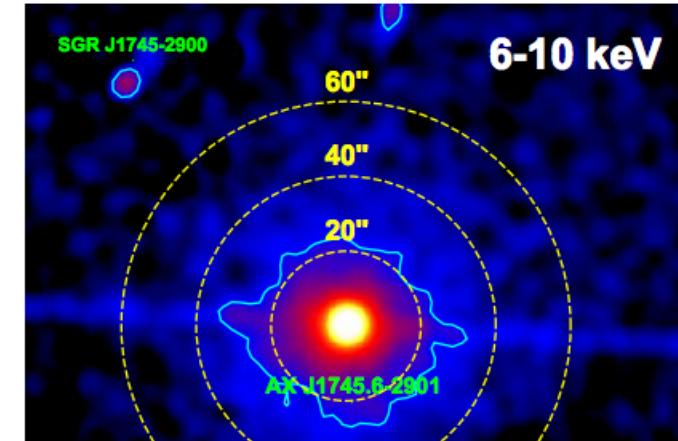
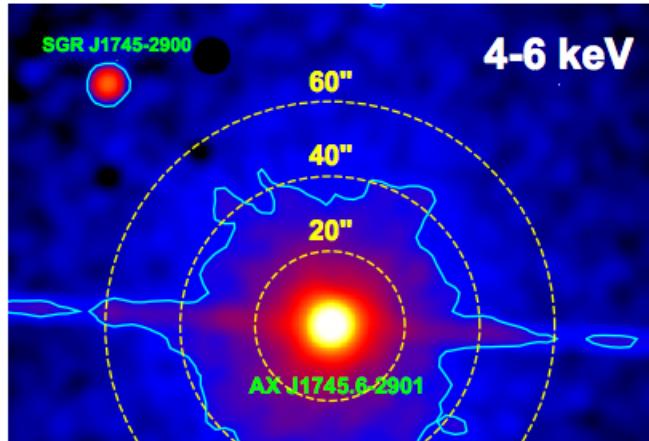
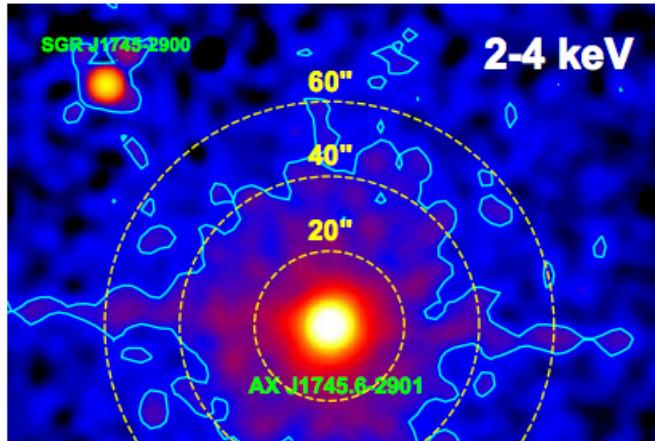
Dust scattering halo is energy dependent

Jin, GP +17

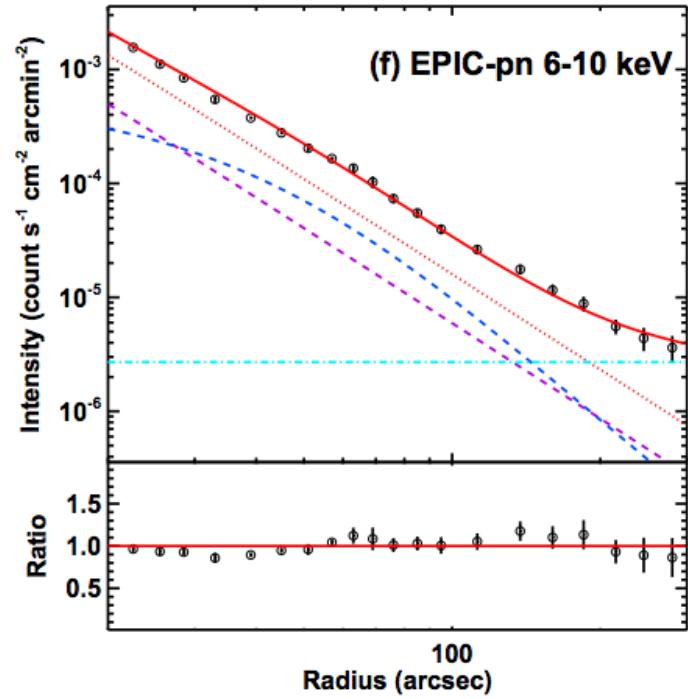
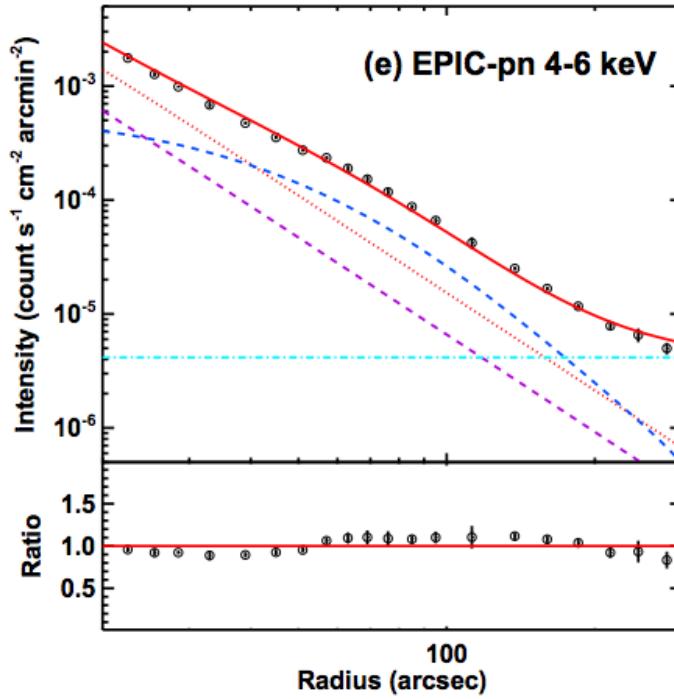
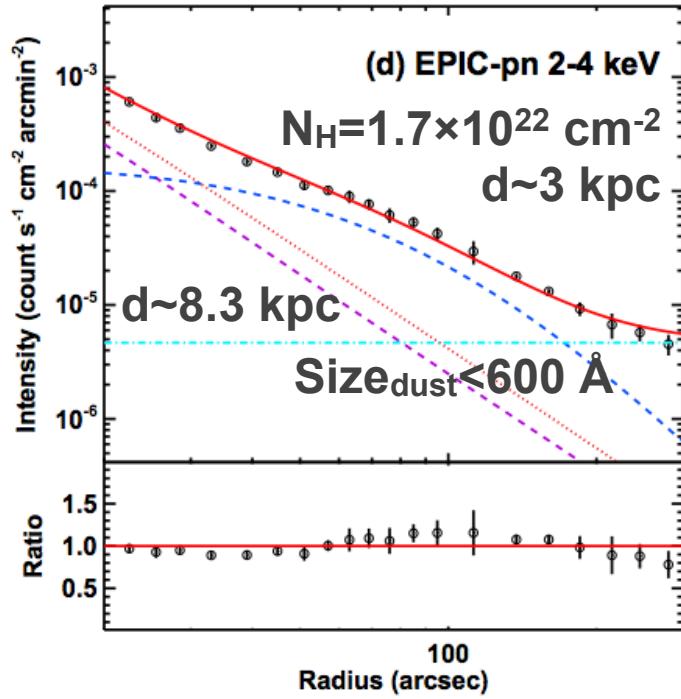
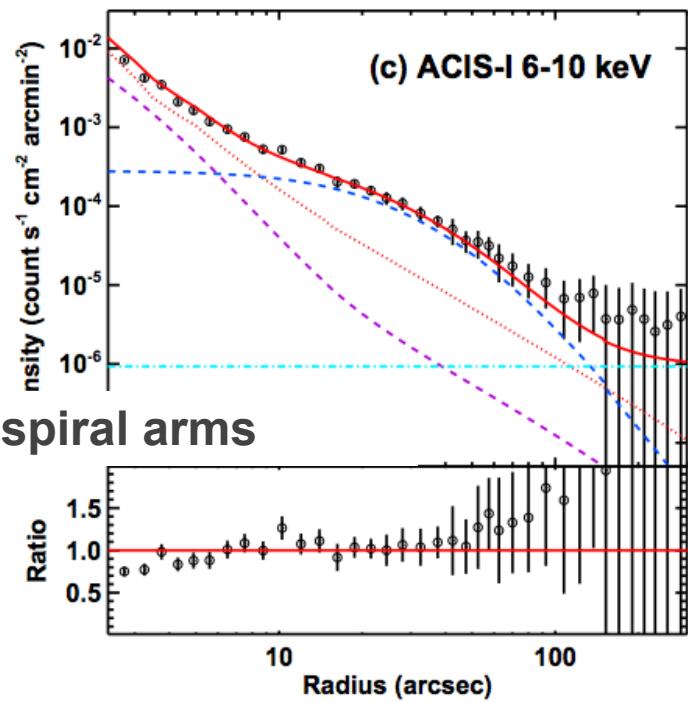
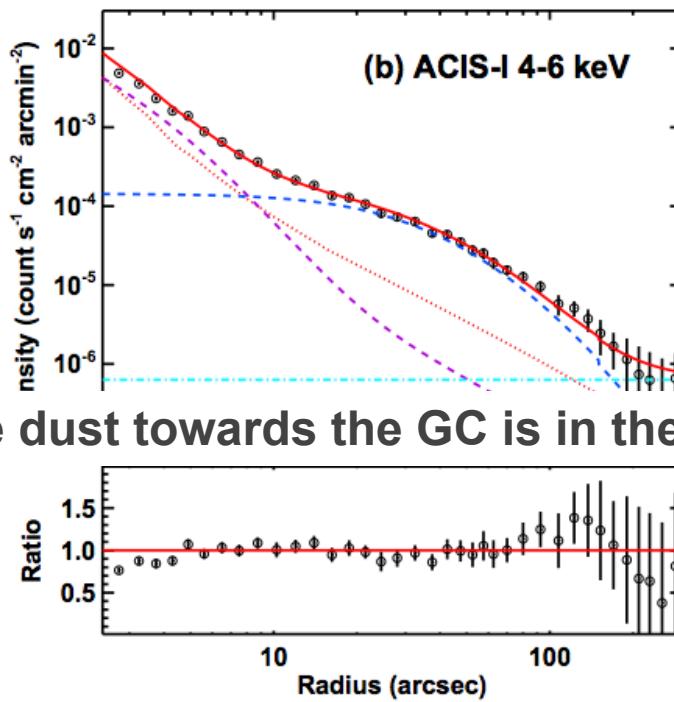
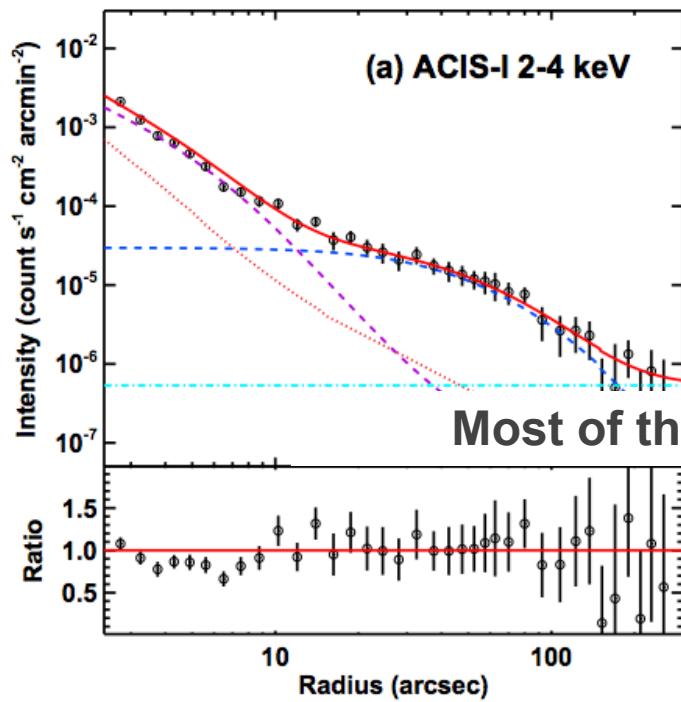
Larger cross section at lower energies → Steeper spectrum

Dust scattering halo distorts the source spectrum if not taken into account

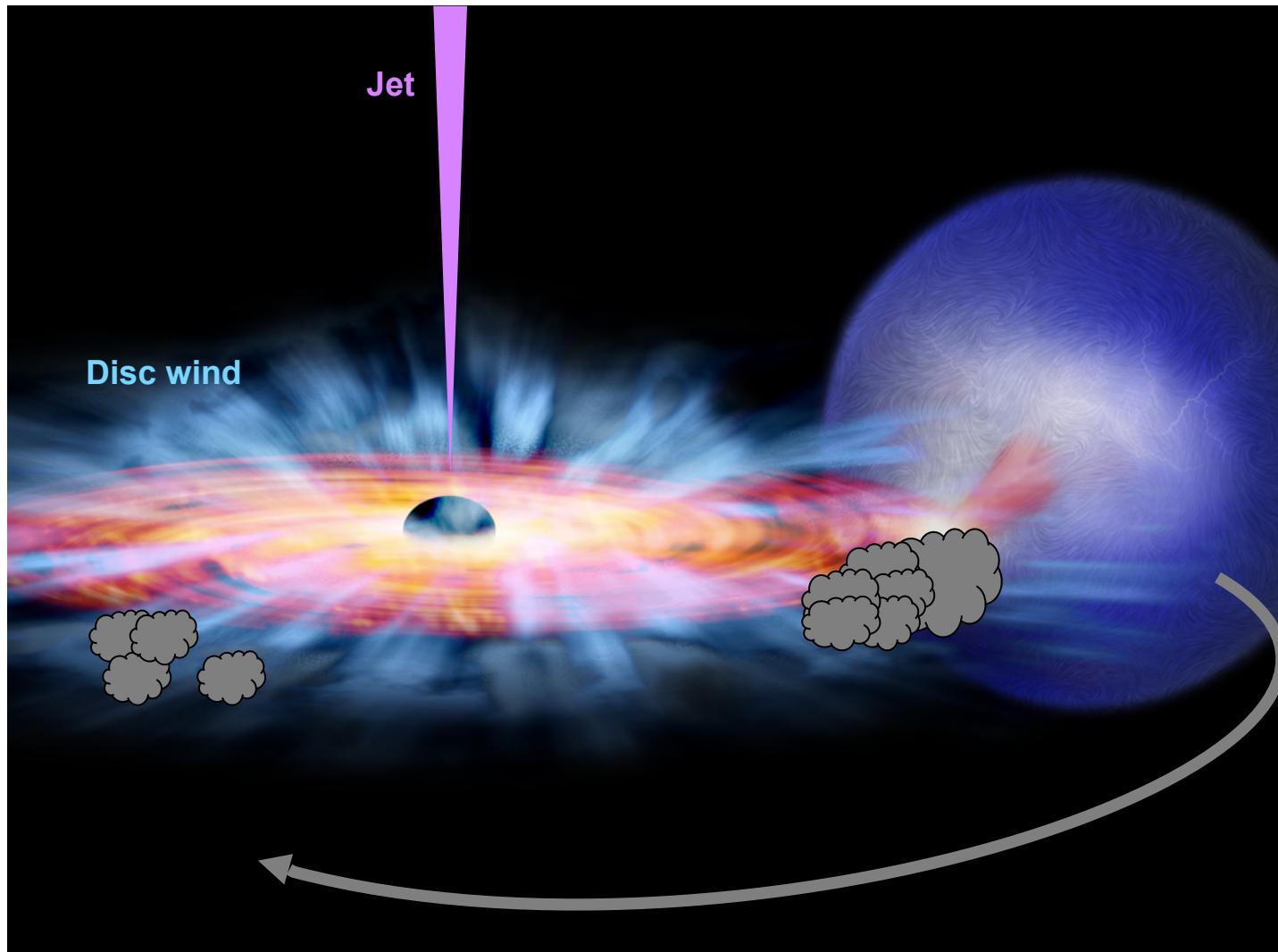
Spectral corrections



Scattering of X-ray radiation by dust

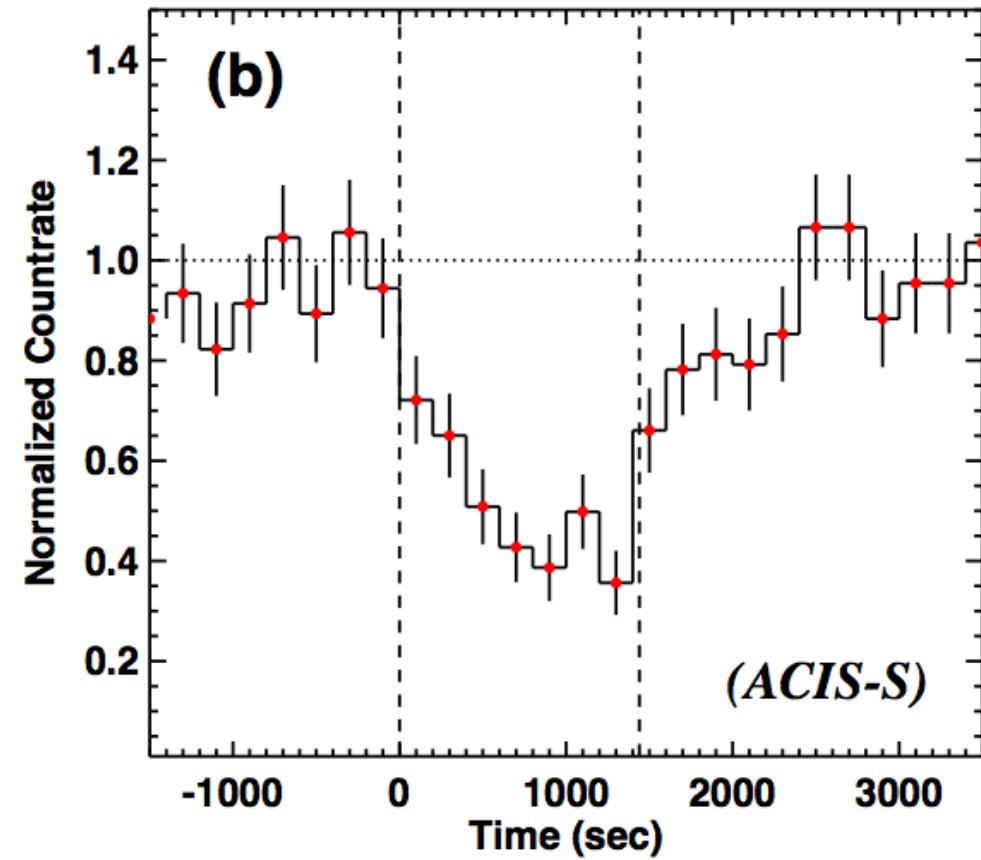
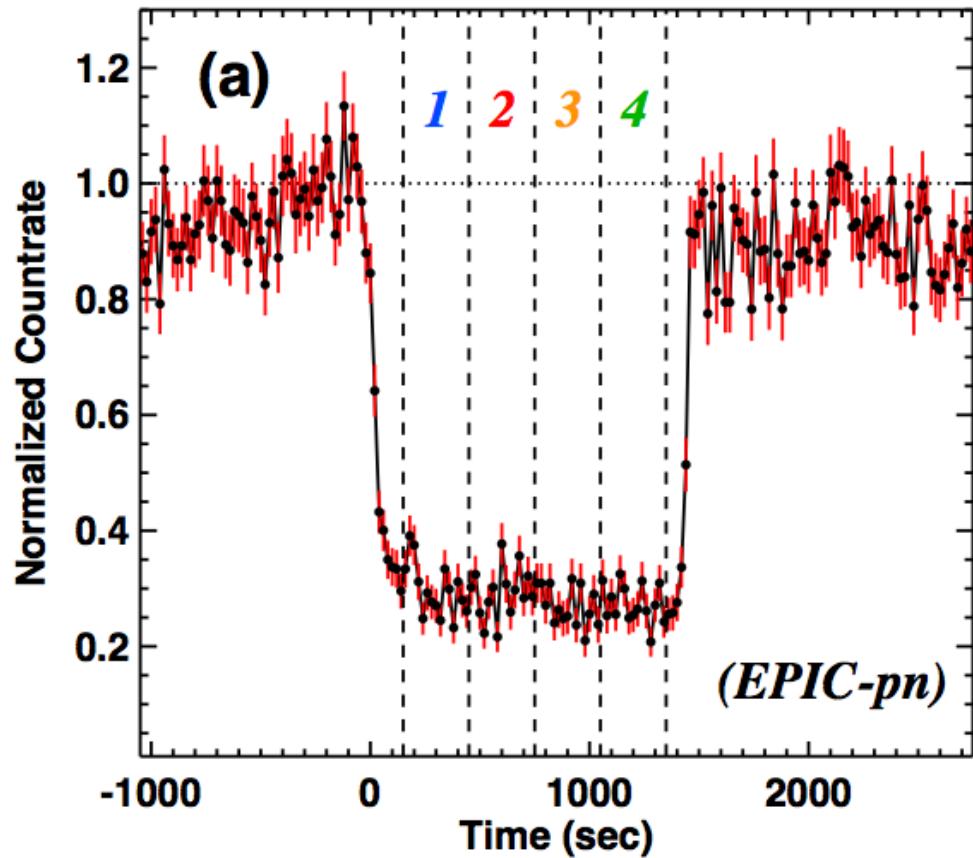


The eclipsing binary: AX J1745.6-2901



During eclipses these systems are completely obscured

The eclipsing binary: AX J1745.6-2901



During eclipses → residual flux
Why?

XMM and Chandra measure a different flux
for the same eclipses
Why?

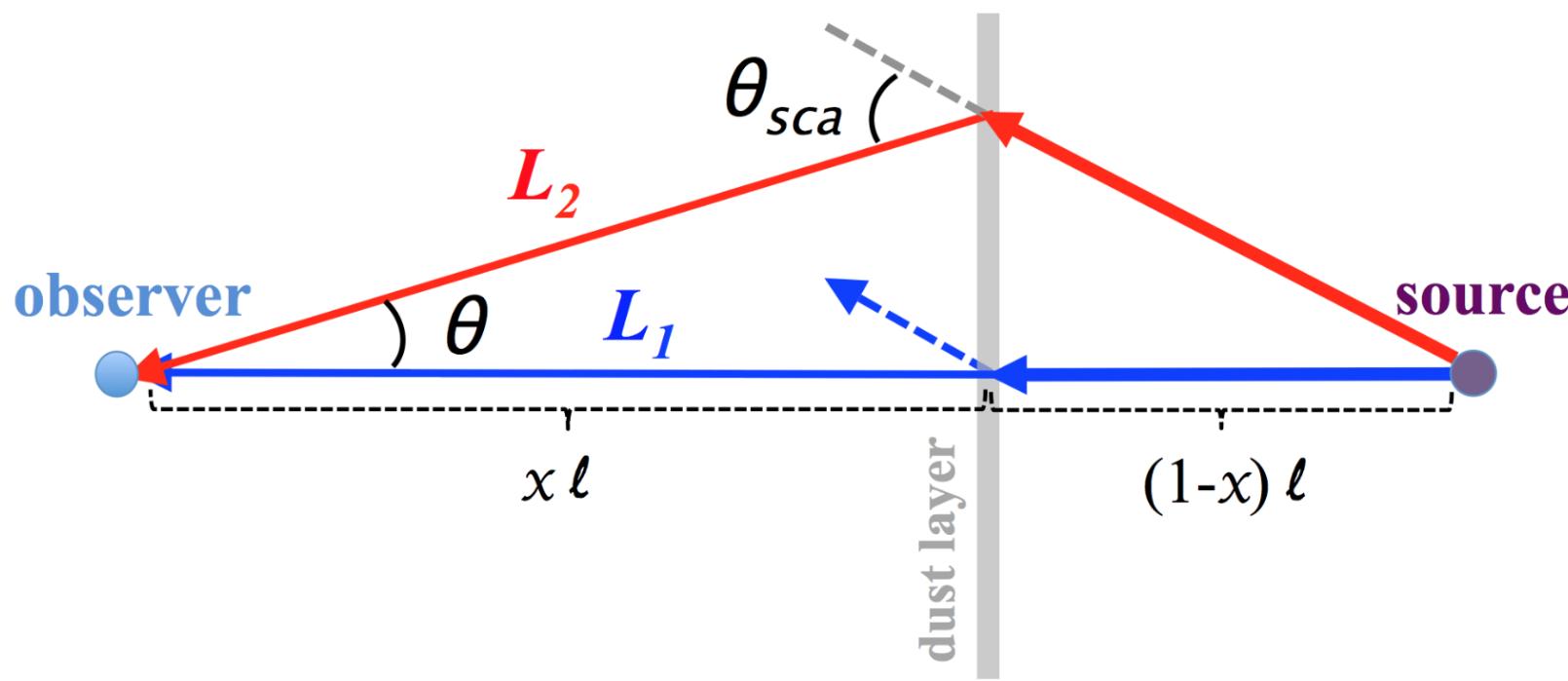
Variability of dust halo

Time lag of scattered photon

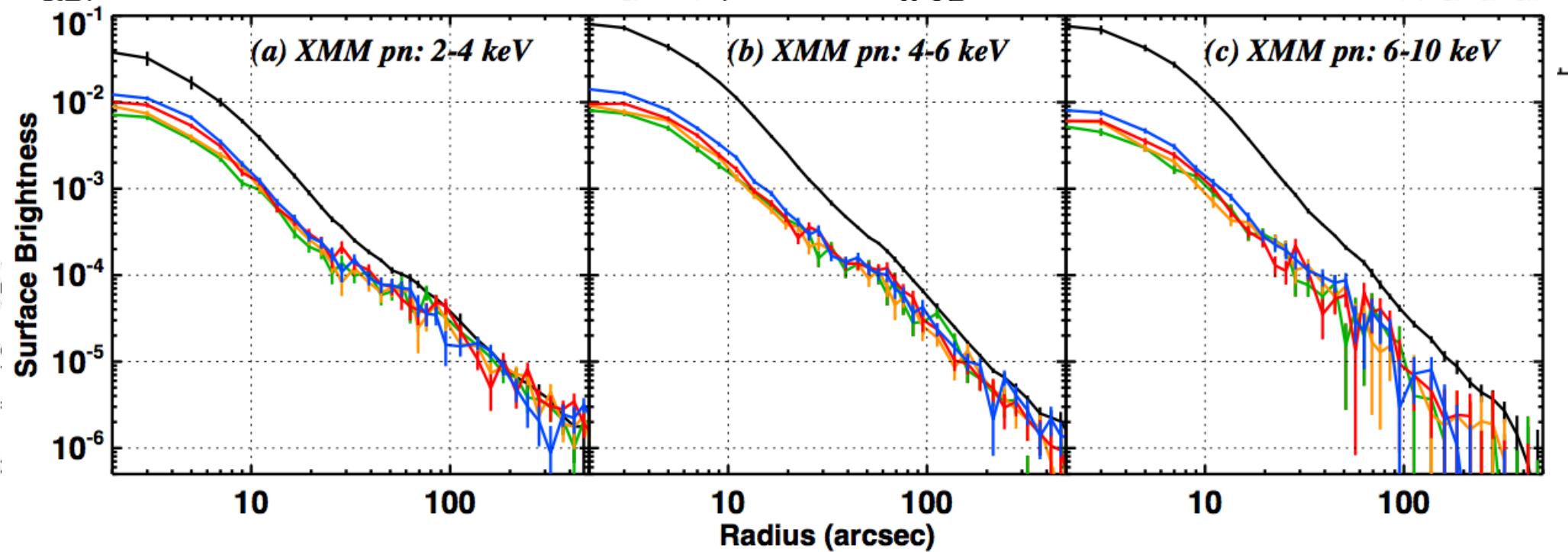
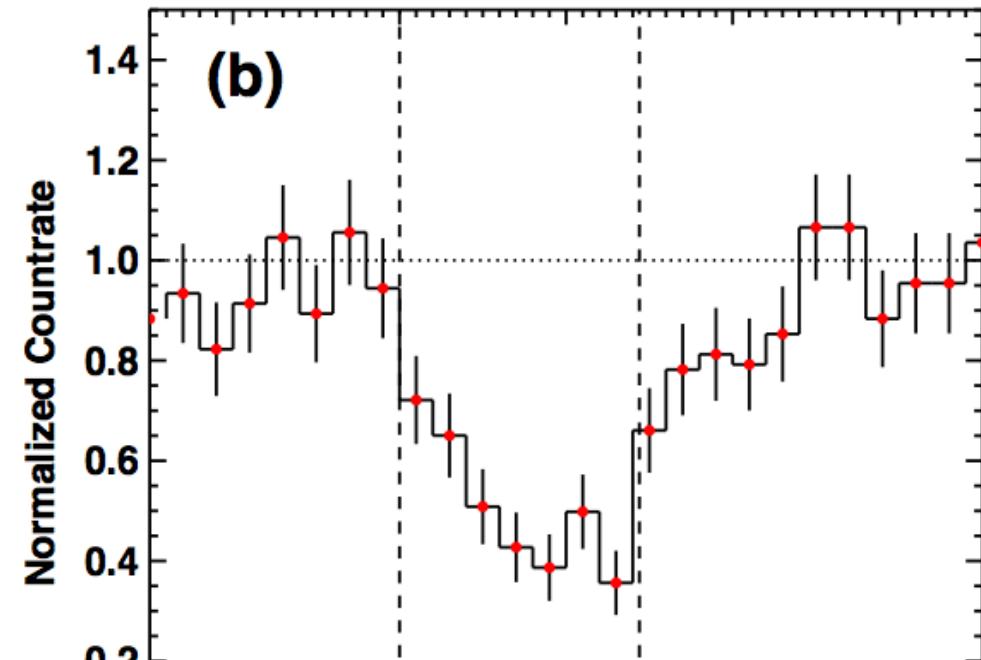
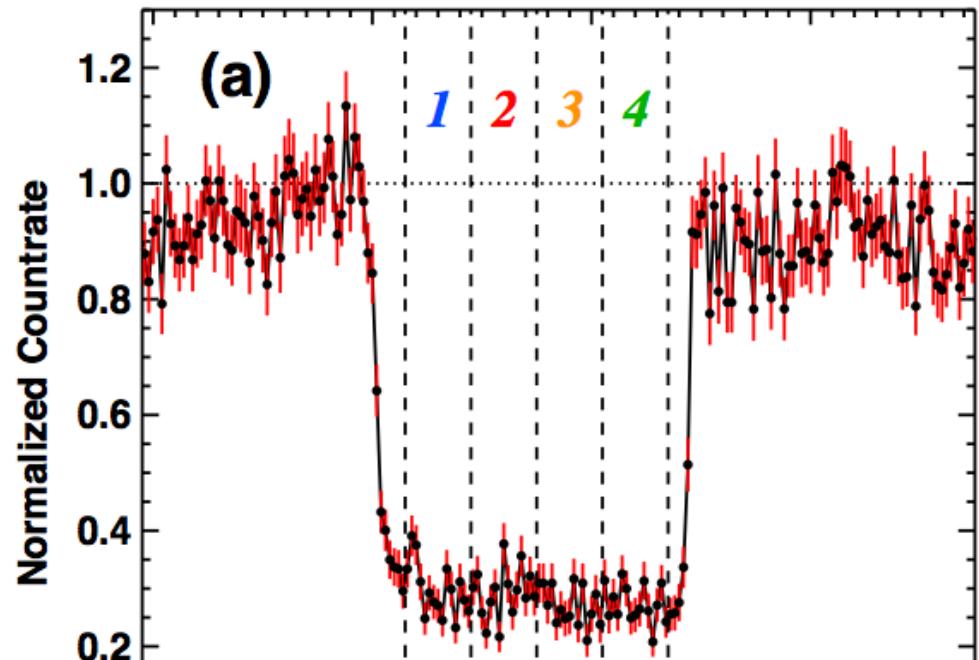
$$\Delta t(x, \theta, \ell) = \frac{\ell}{c} \left(\sqrt{\left(\frac{x}{\cos\theta}\right)^2 - 2x + 1} + \frac{x}{\cos\theta} - 1 \right)$$

$$\Delta\ell(x, \theta) \equiv L_2 - L_1 = \sqrt{\left(\frac{x}{\cos\theta}\right)^2 - 2x + 1} + \frac{x}{\cos\theta} - 1$$

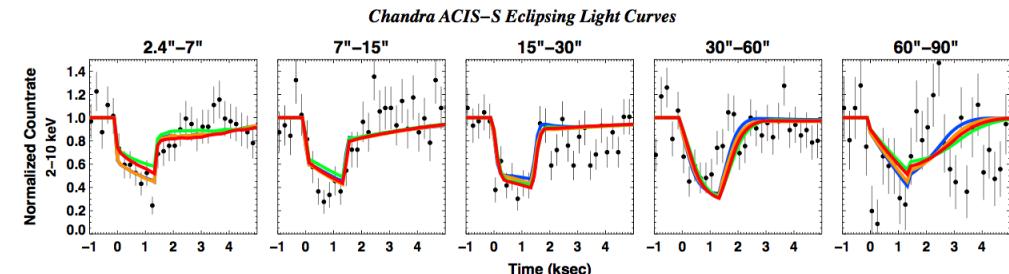
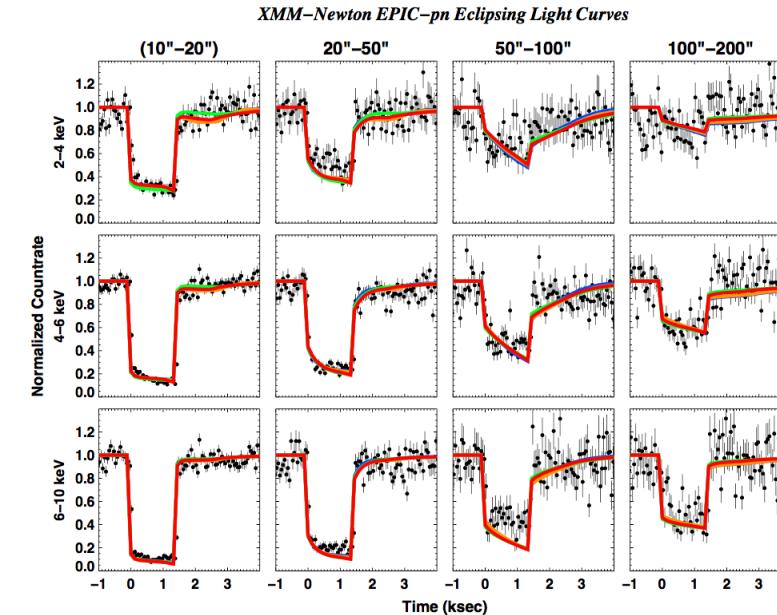
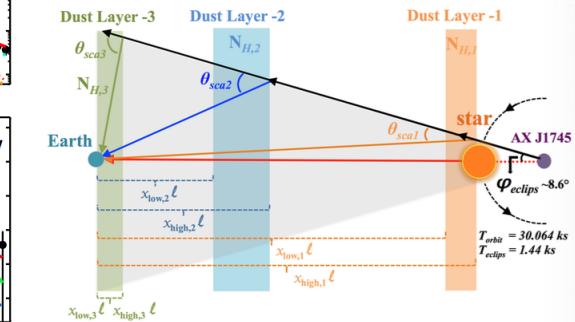
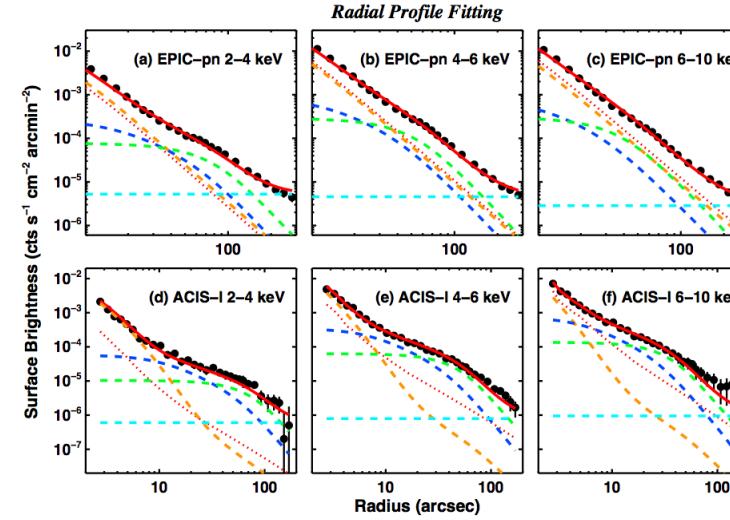
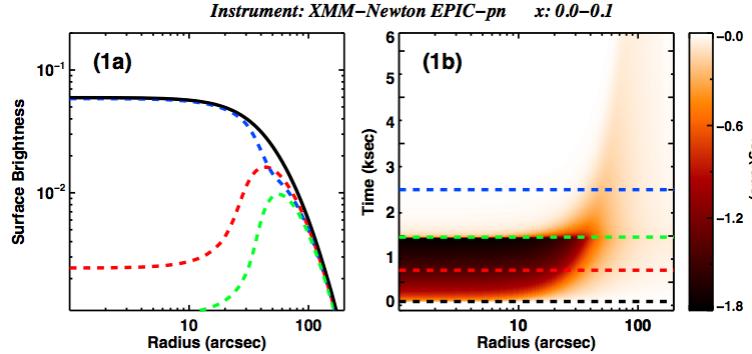
$$\Delta t(x, \theta, \ell) \equiv \frac{\Delta\ell}{c} \approx 1.21(\text{s}) \frac{x}{1-x} \theta(\text{arcsec})^2 \ell(\text{kpc})$$



Residual emission → delayed halo

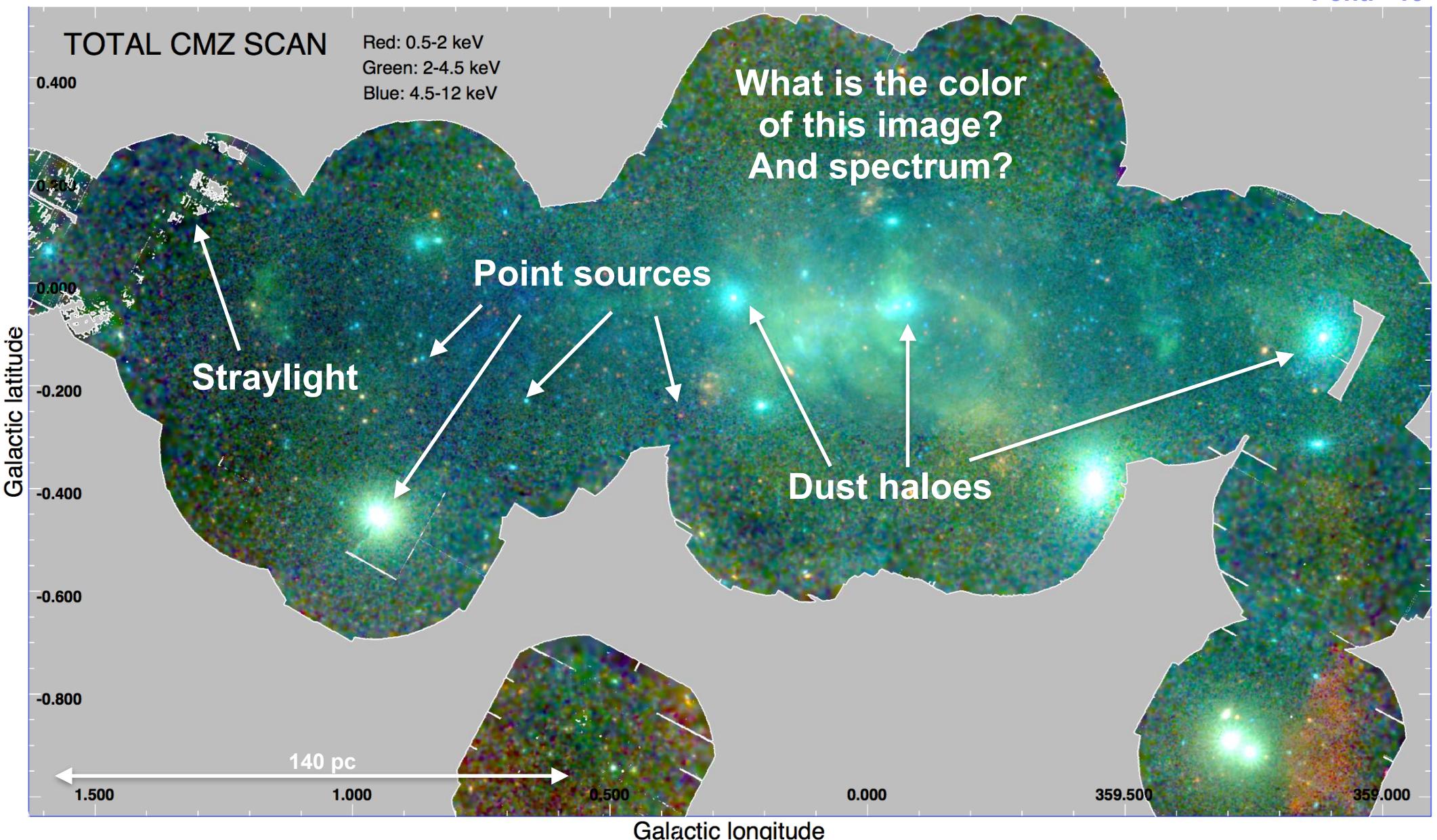


Predicted variations



The XMM-Newton view of the GC

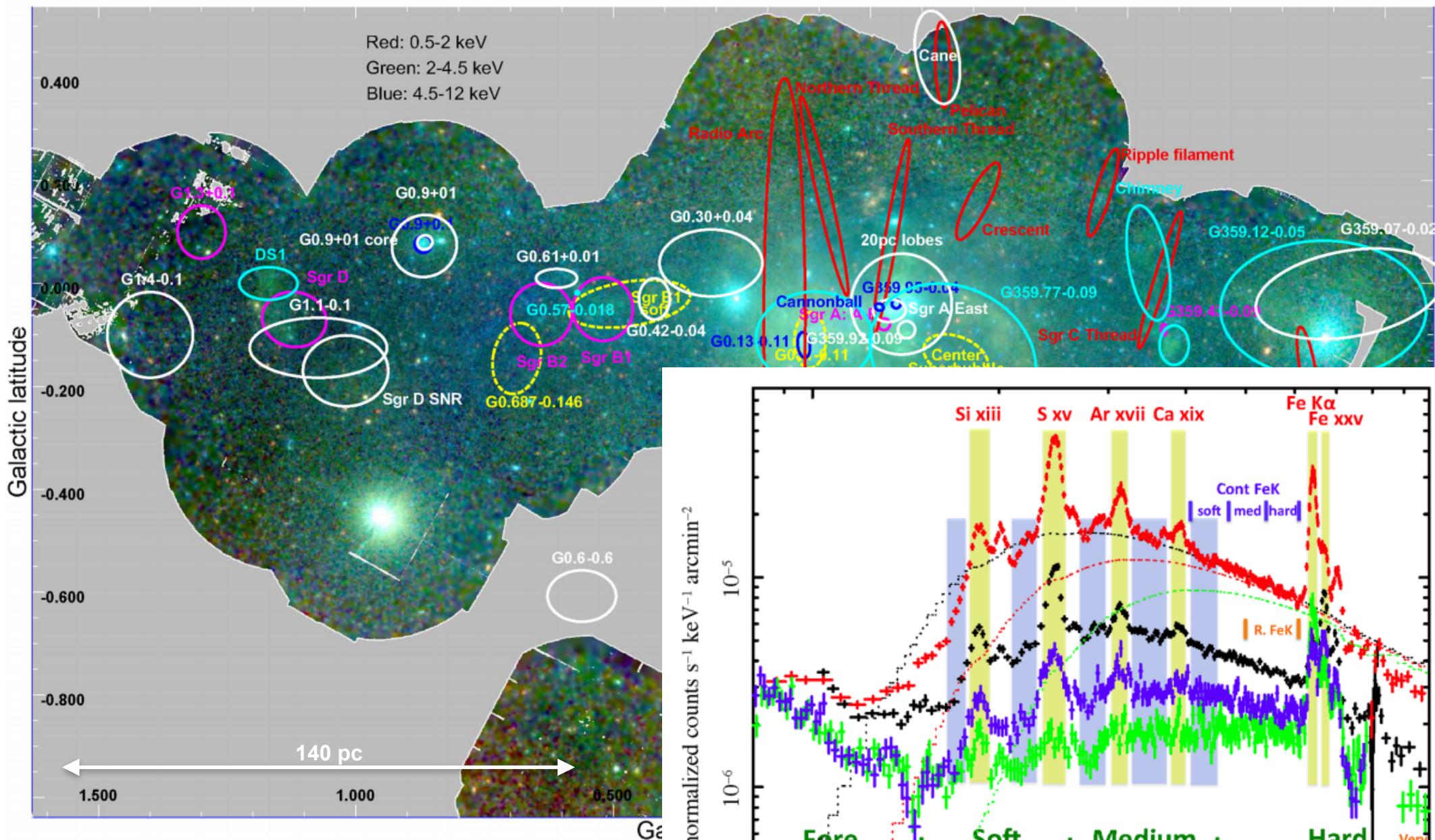
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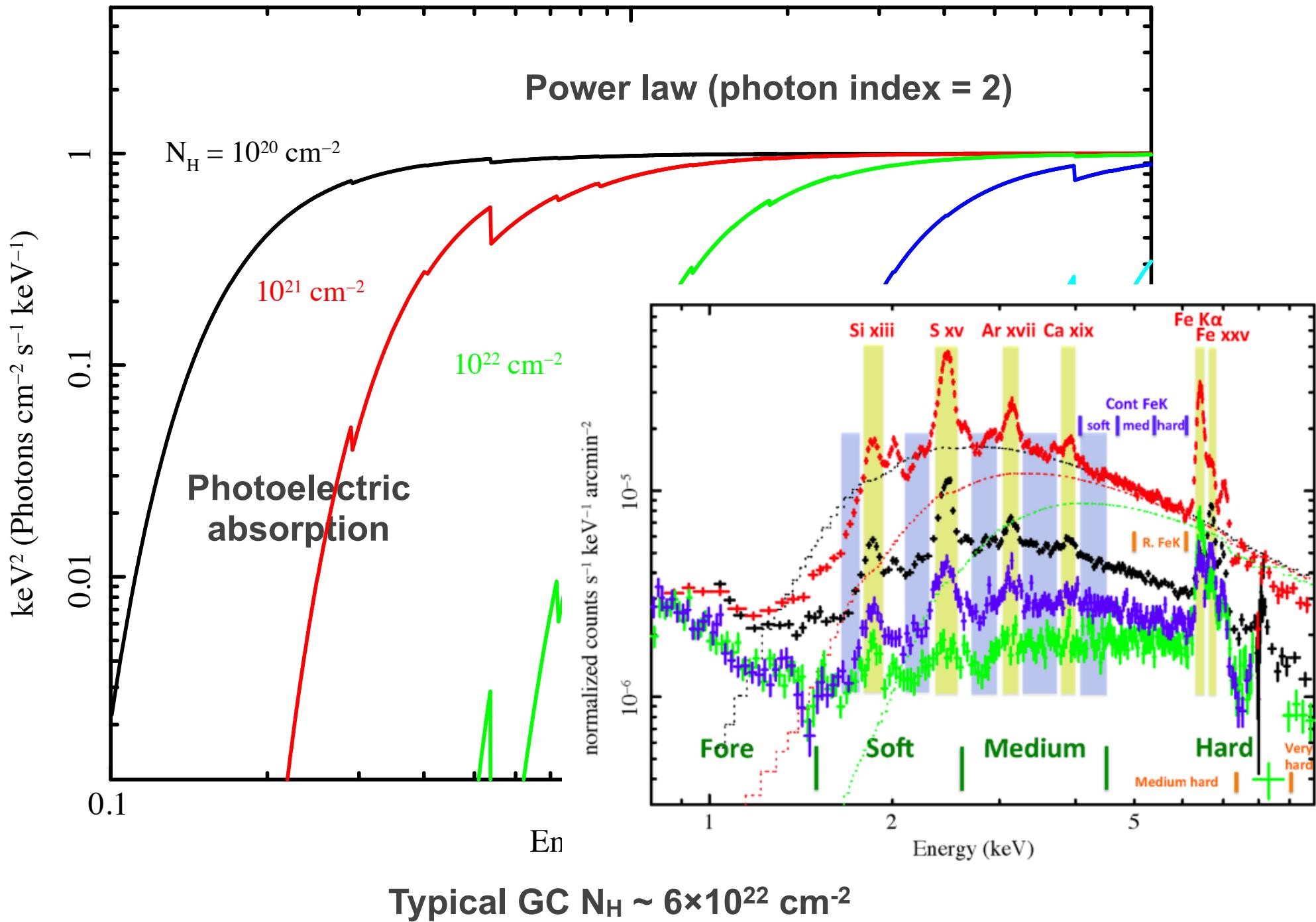
Thousands of X-ray point sources!
(Chandra detected >9000)

Spectra → powerful information

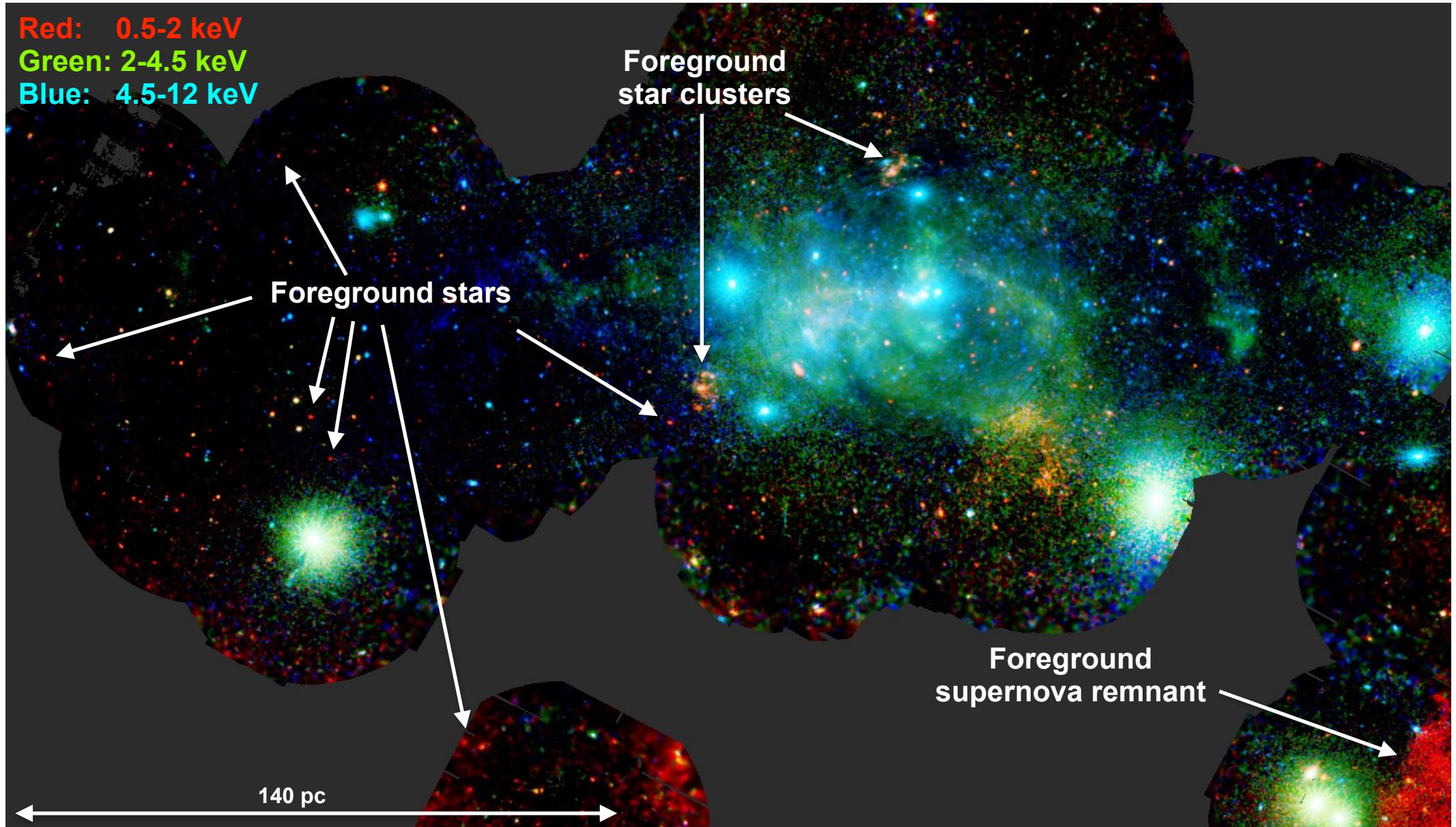
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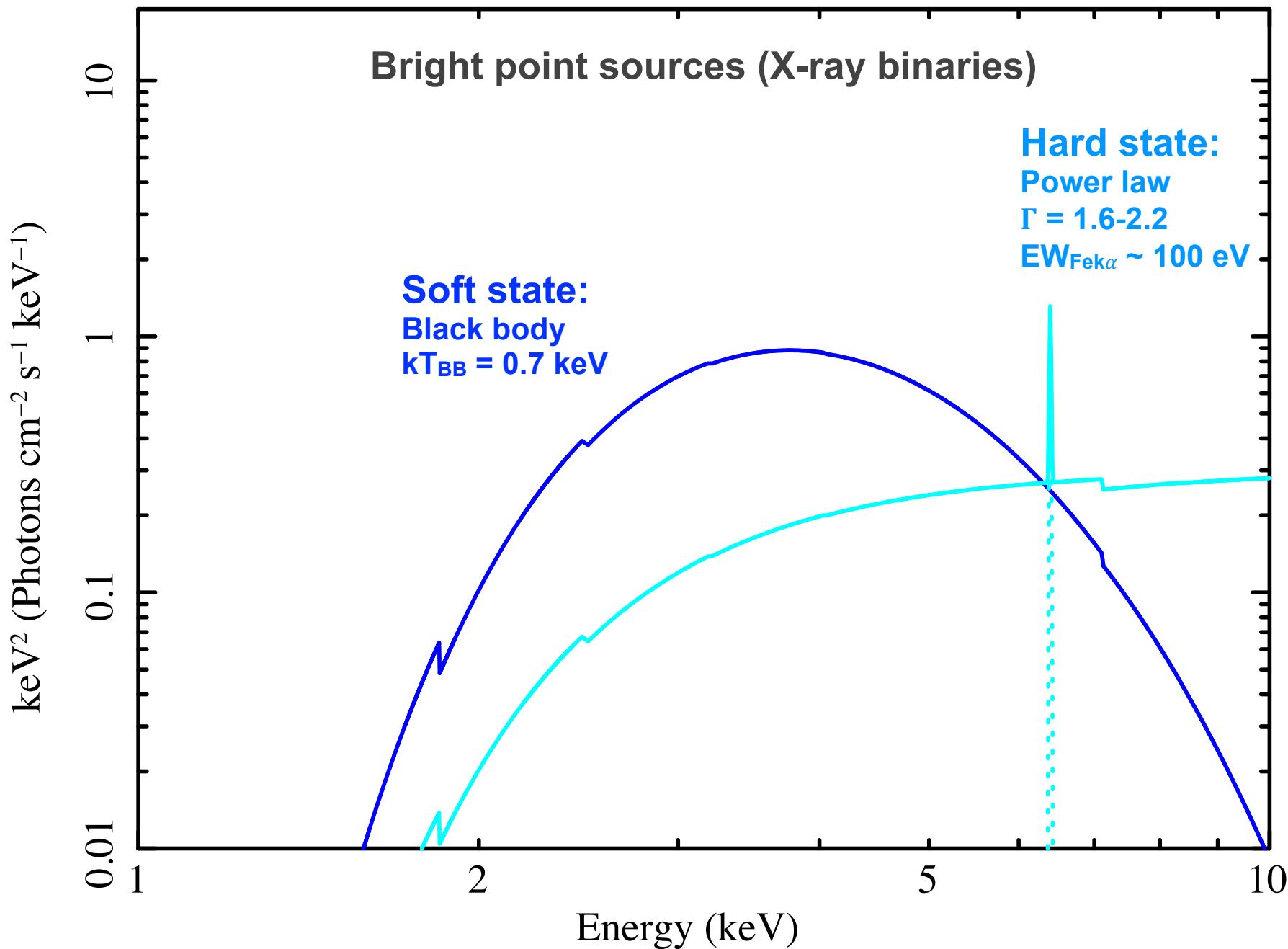
X-ray absorption from neutral material



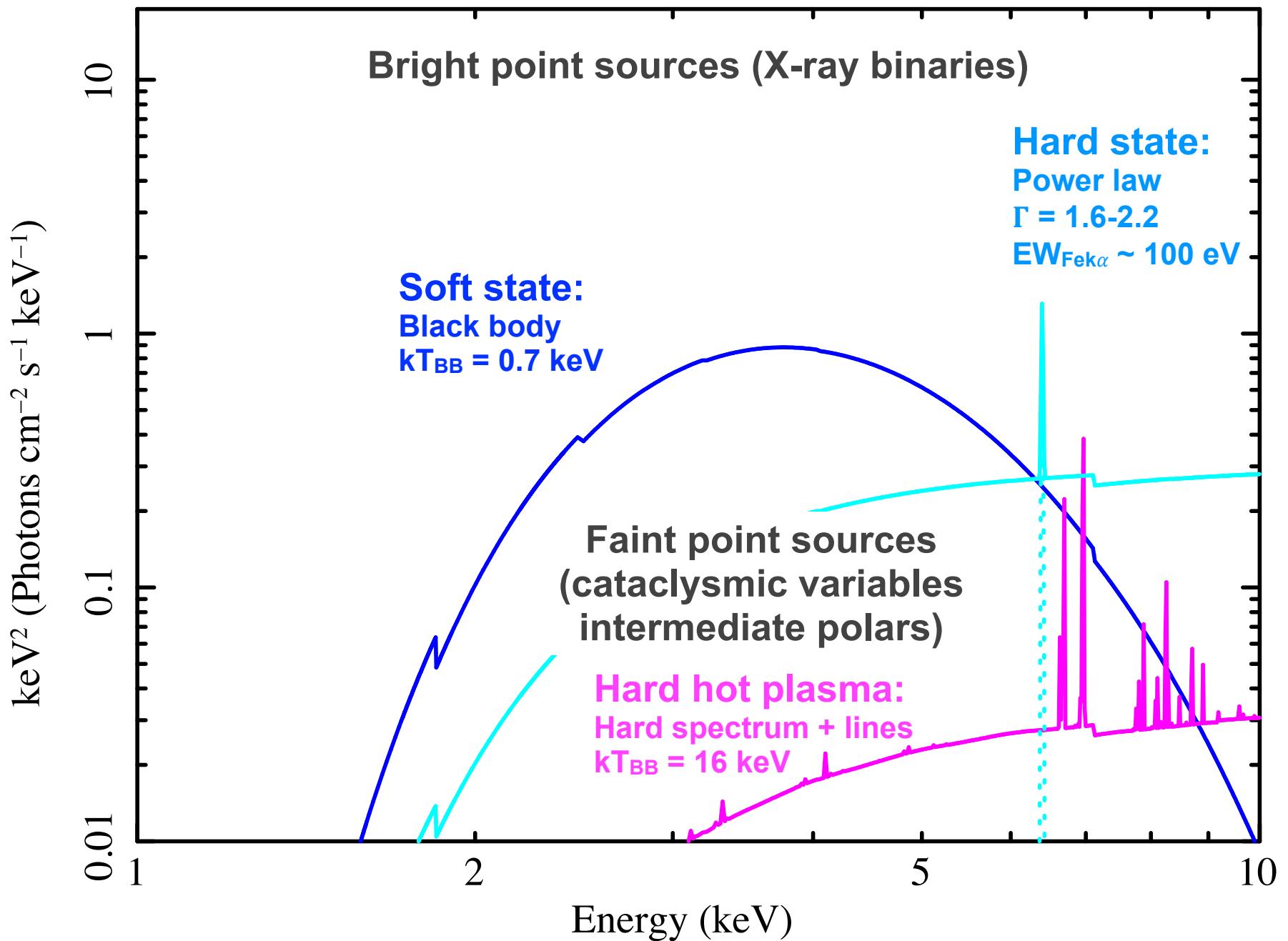
Foreground emission



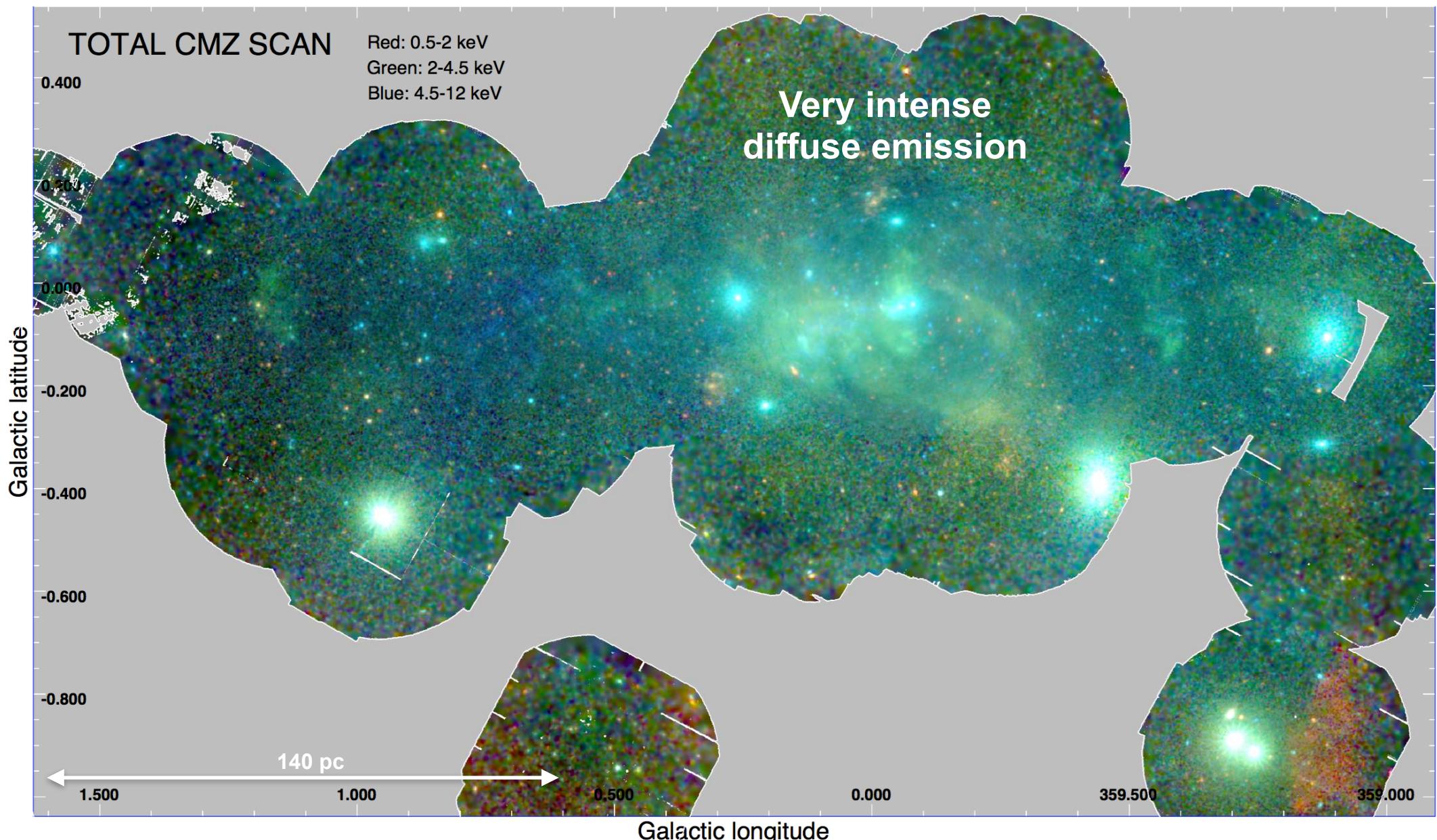
X-ray emission from bright GC point sources



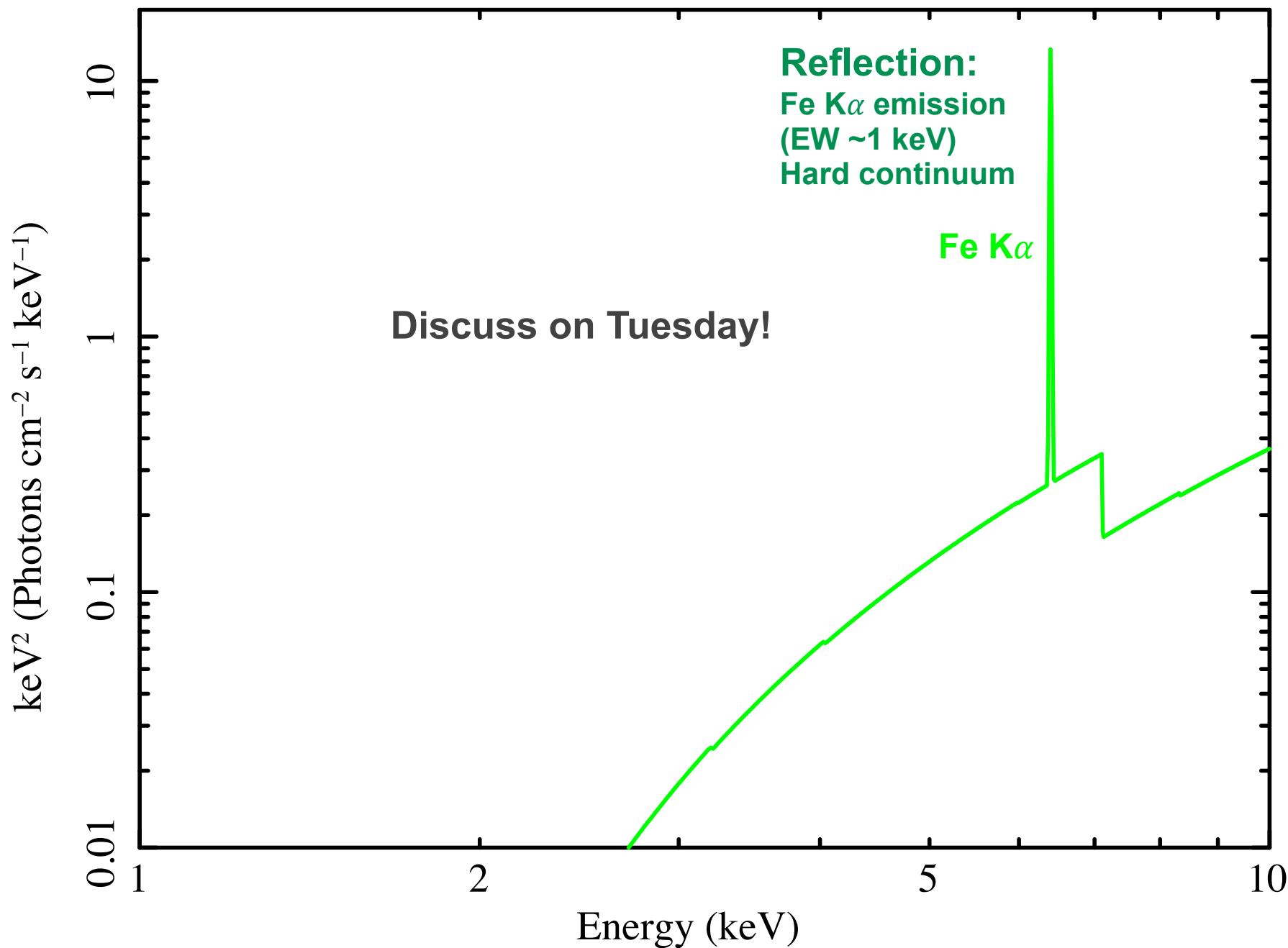
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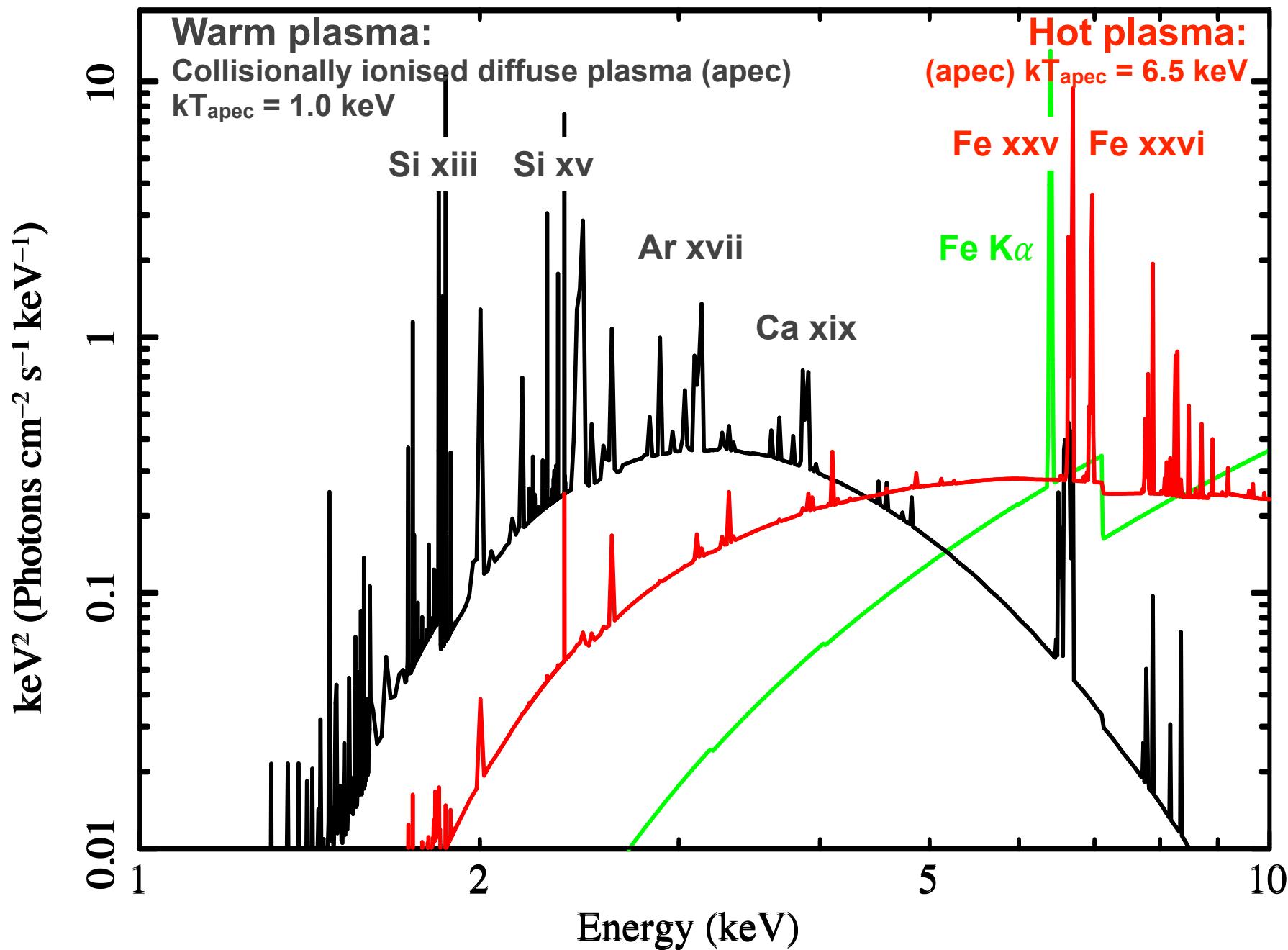
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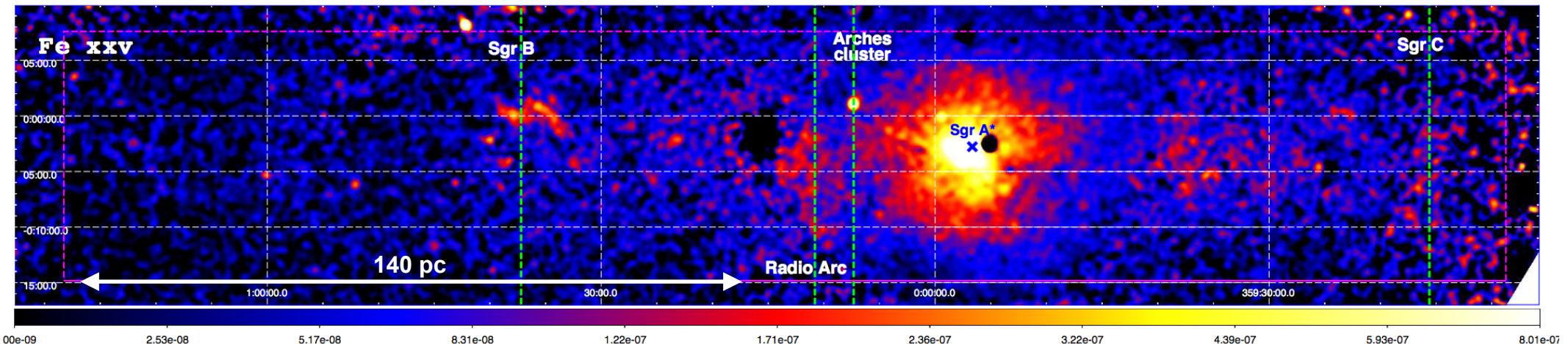


X-ray emission from bright GC point sources



Distribution of hot plasma

Ponti +13; +14



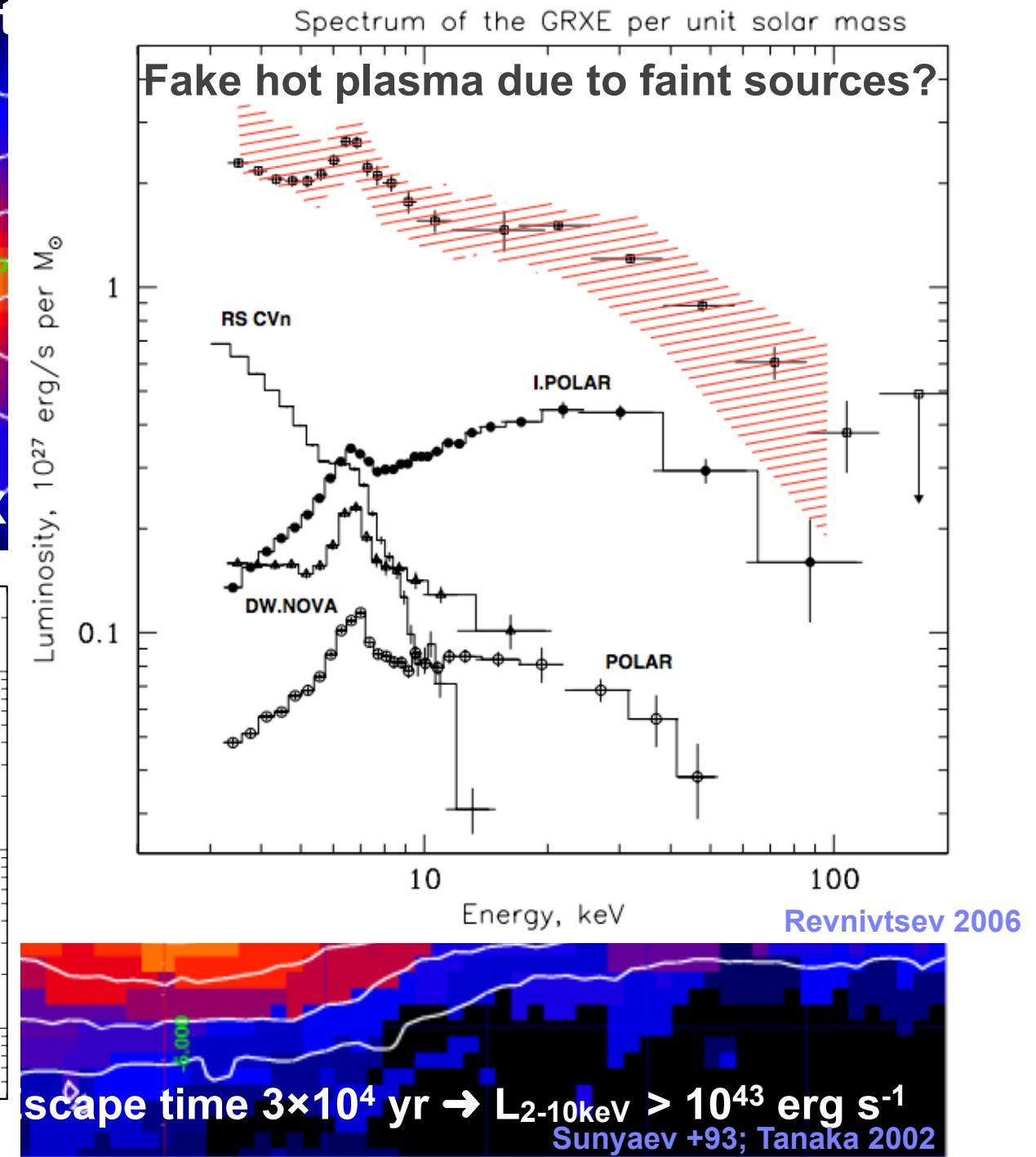
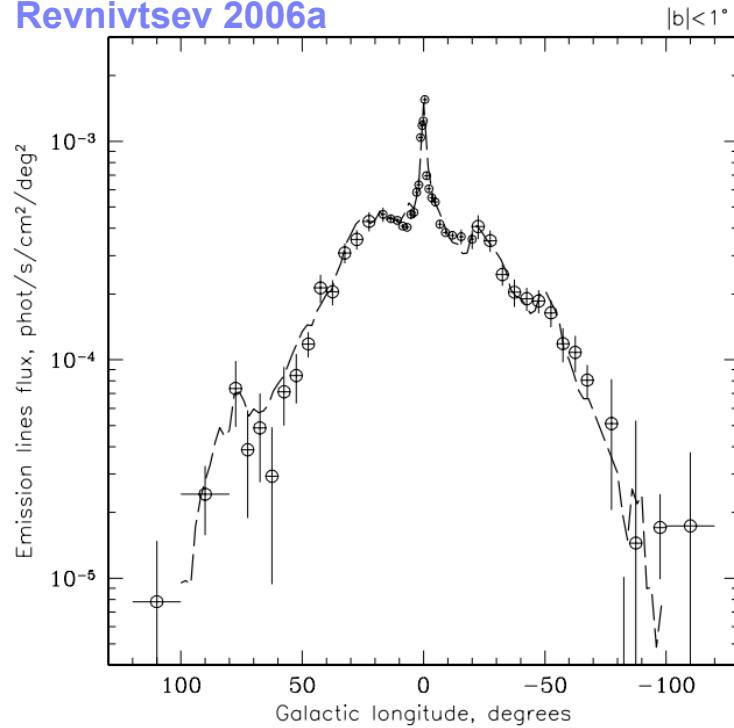
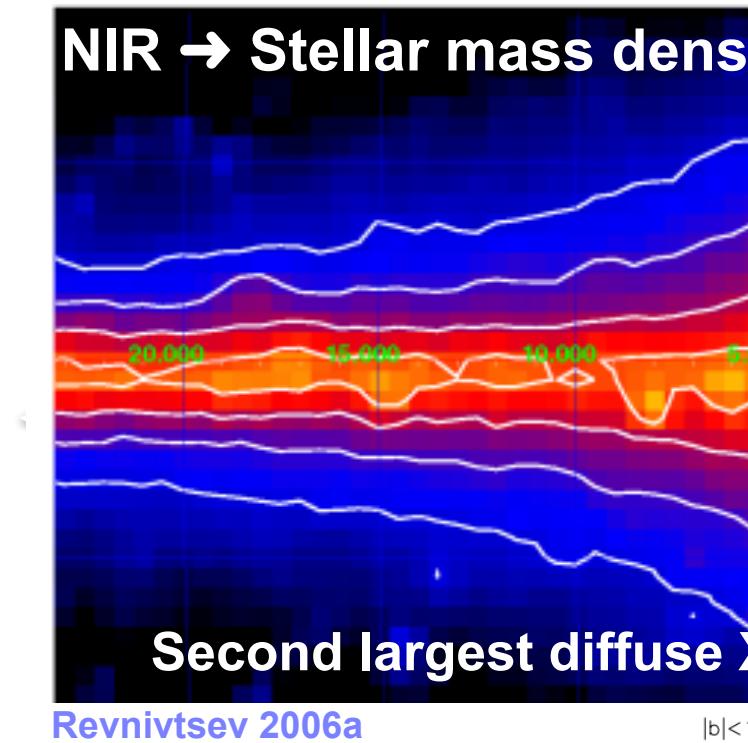
Homogeneous distribution peaking at GC
Hot plasma pervading the GC → Galactic ridge emission

Cooke +70; Bleach +72; Worral +82

Second largest diffuse X-ray structure ($>100^\circ$) $L_{2-10\text{keV}} = 2 \times 10^{38} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$

Galactic ridge emission

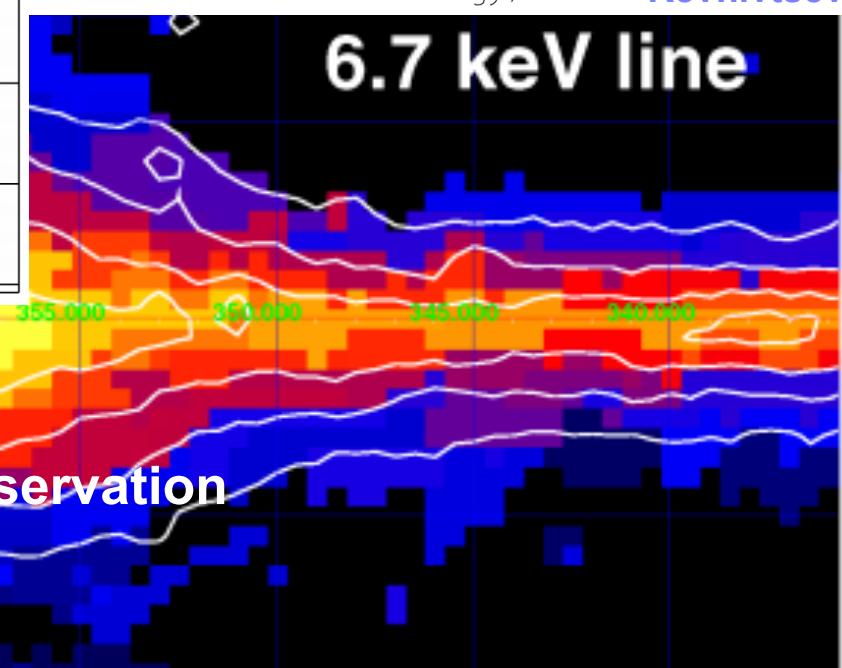
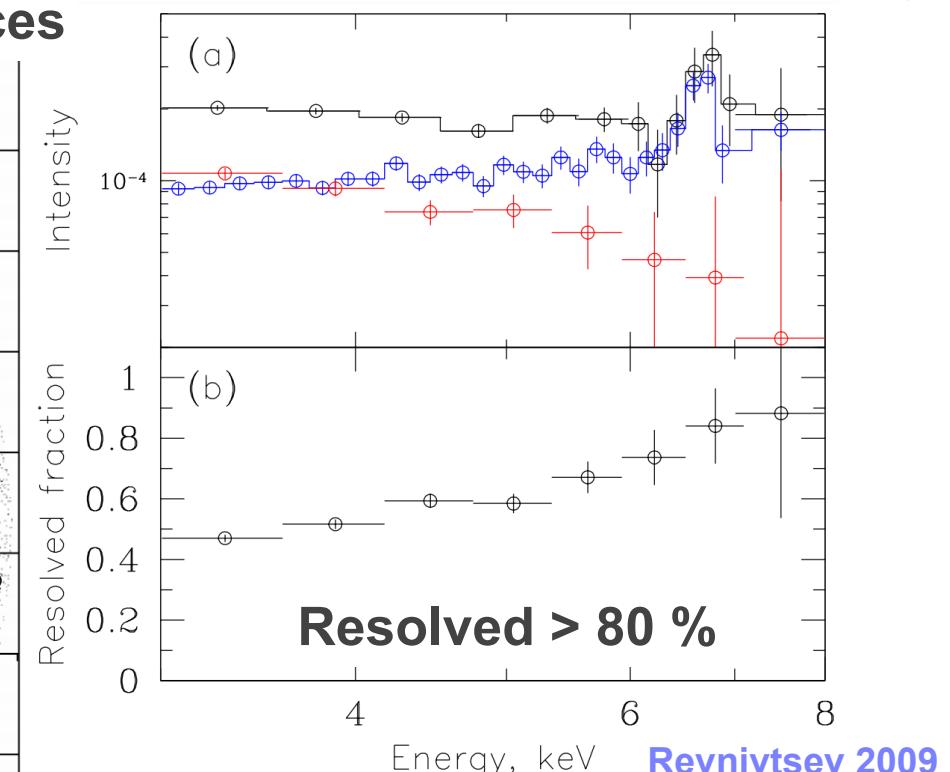
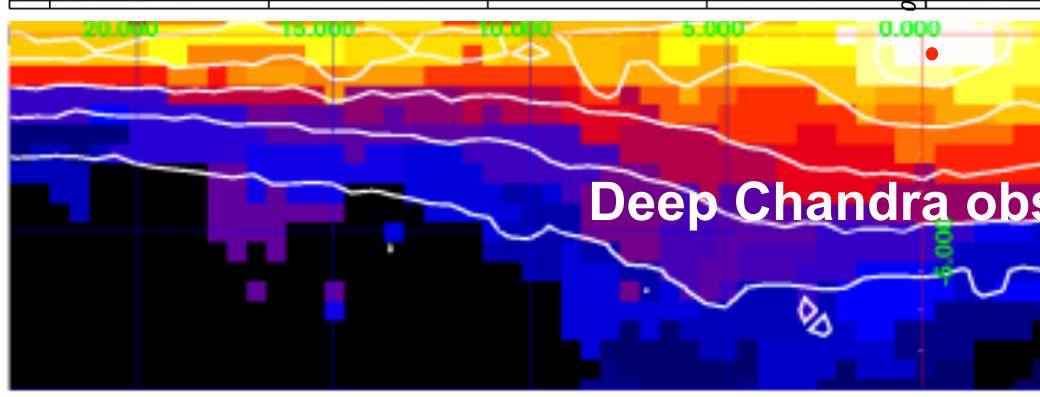
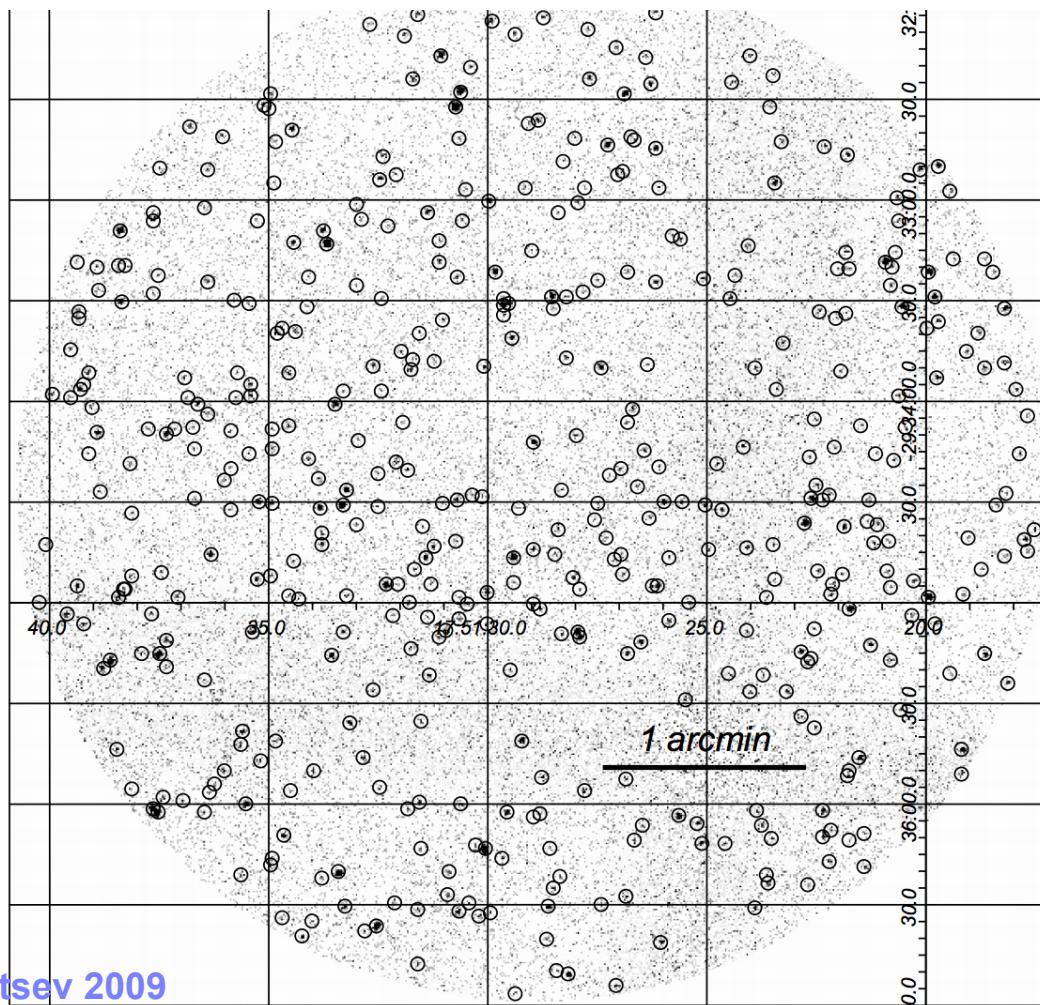
Revnivtsev 2006a,b



Point sources → Galactic ridge emission

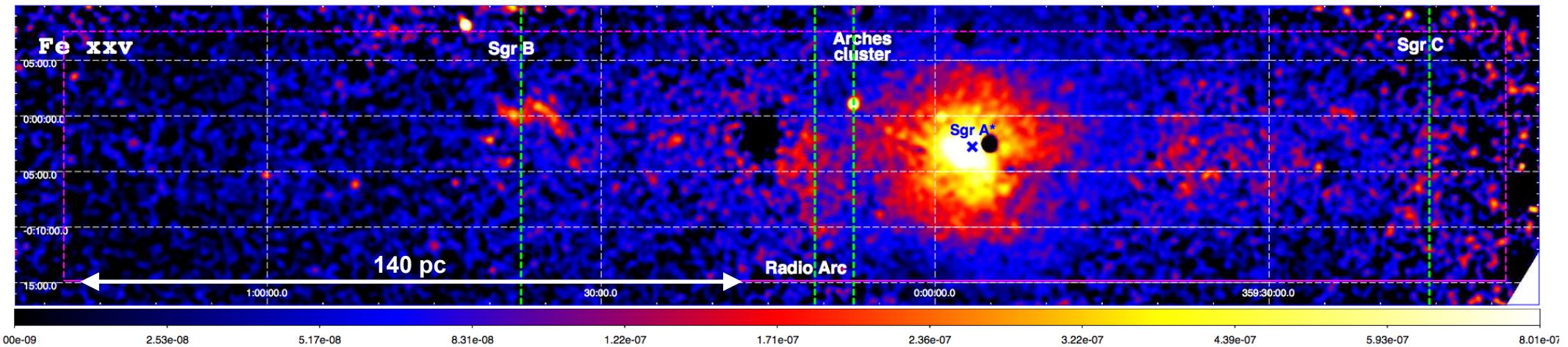
Revnivtsev 2006a,b

Hot plasma → resolved in faint point sources



Galactic ridge due to point sources

Ponti +13; +14



Hot plasma produced by faint X-ray sources in the Galactic Ridge

Revnivtsev +09

Excess emission (maybe) in the central region?

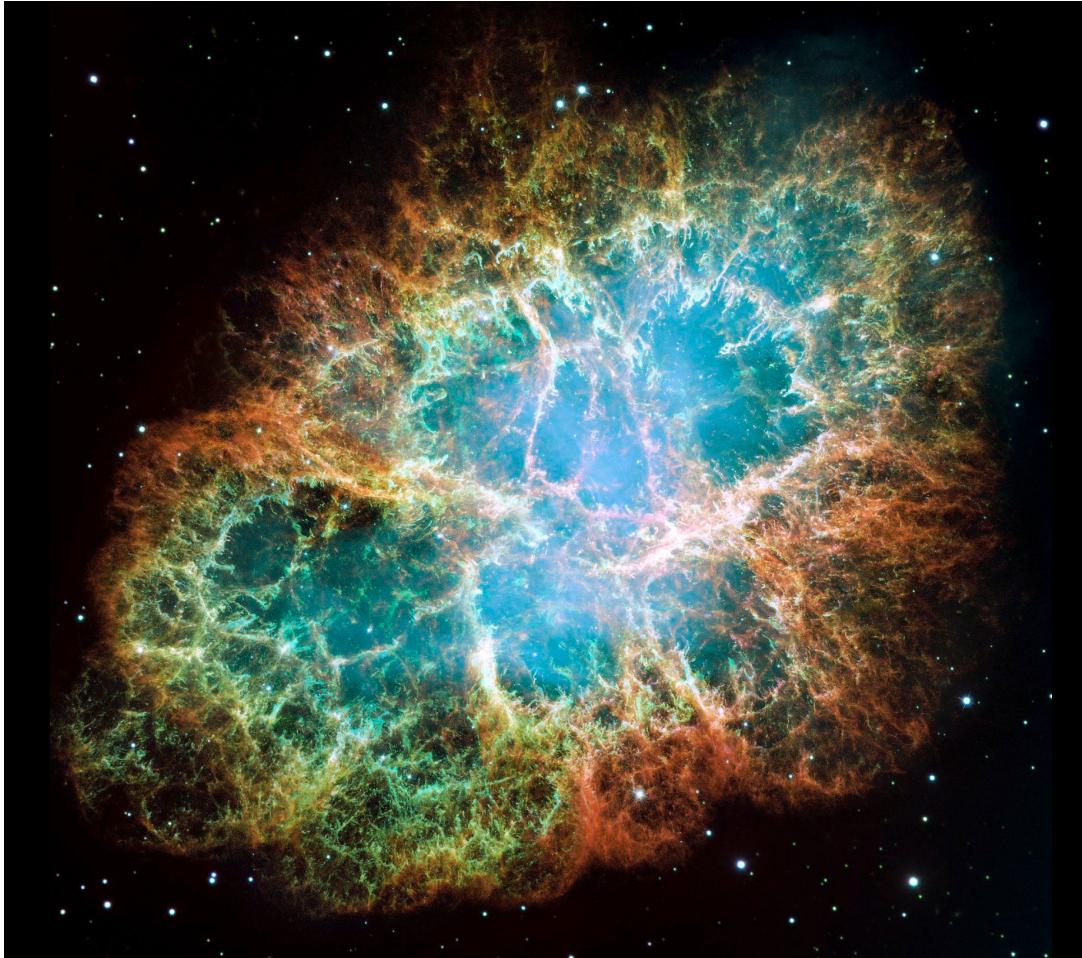
Koyama +11; Uchiyama +11

Supernova remnants



Crab nebula

Supernova remnants



Stars with $M > 8 \text{ M}_{\text{Sun}}$ end their lives with an explosive ejection

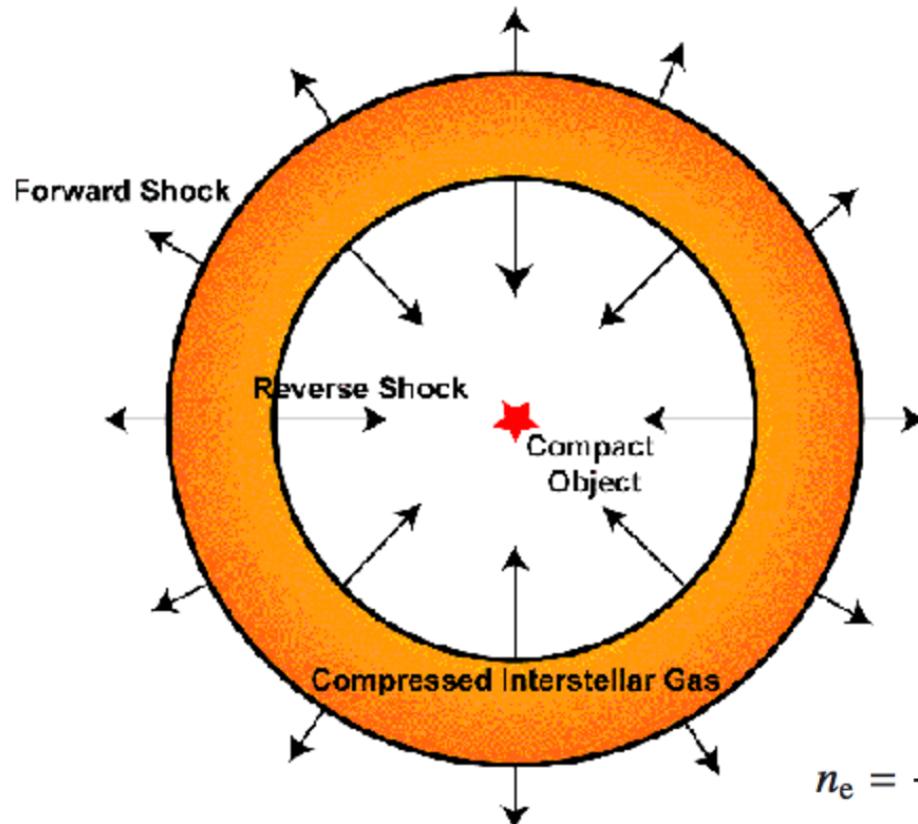
Total kinetic energy $E_{\text{kin}} \sim 10^{51} \text{ erg}$

**The interstellar medium (ISM) has typically low density (1 cm^{-3})
→ Strong shock!**

→ Expands; Heats ISM; creates a hot bubble; pushes away cold material

Different phases of supernova remnants

Ambient Interstellar Medium



Free expansion phase

$t \sim 2\text{-}3 \times 10^2 \text{ yr}$
No deceleration ($R \propto t$)
velocity ejecta (v) $\sim 10^4 \text{ km s}^{-1}$
Mass swept-up (M) $< M_{\text{Sun}}$

Adiabatic or Taylor-Sedov

$t \sim 2 \times 10^4 \text{ yr}$
 $M \sim M_{\text{ejecta}}$
Kinetic energy to heat ISM (E conserved)
→ No ionisation equilibrium

$$n_e = \frac{1}{f} \sqrt{r_e \frac{EM}{V}} \quad (\text{cm}^{-3})$$

$$n_H = n_e / r_e \quad (\text{cm}^{-3})$$

$$t_{\text{dyn}} = 1.3 \times 10^{-16} \frac{R}{\sqrt{kT_s}} \quad (\text{yr})$$

$$t_i = 3.17 \times 10^{-8} \frac{\tau}{n_e} \quad (\text{yr})$$

$$M = 5 \times 10^{-34} m_p r_m n_e f^2 V \quad (M_{\odot})$$

$$E_0 = 2.64 \times 10^{-8} kT_s R^3 n_H \quad (\text{erg}),$$

X-ray observations provide:
EM, kT_s , R, tau

n_e : electron density

n_H : hydrogen density

E_0 : initial energy

t_{dyn} : dynamical age

t_i : ionisation age

$EM = n_e n_H V$

R: remnant radius (cm)

V: volume (cm^3)

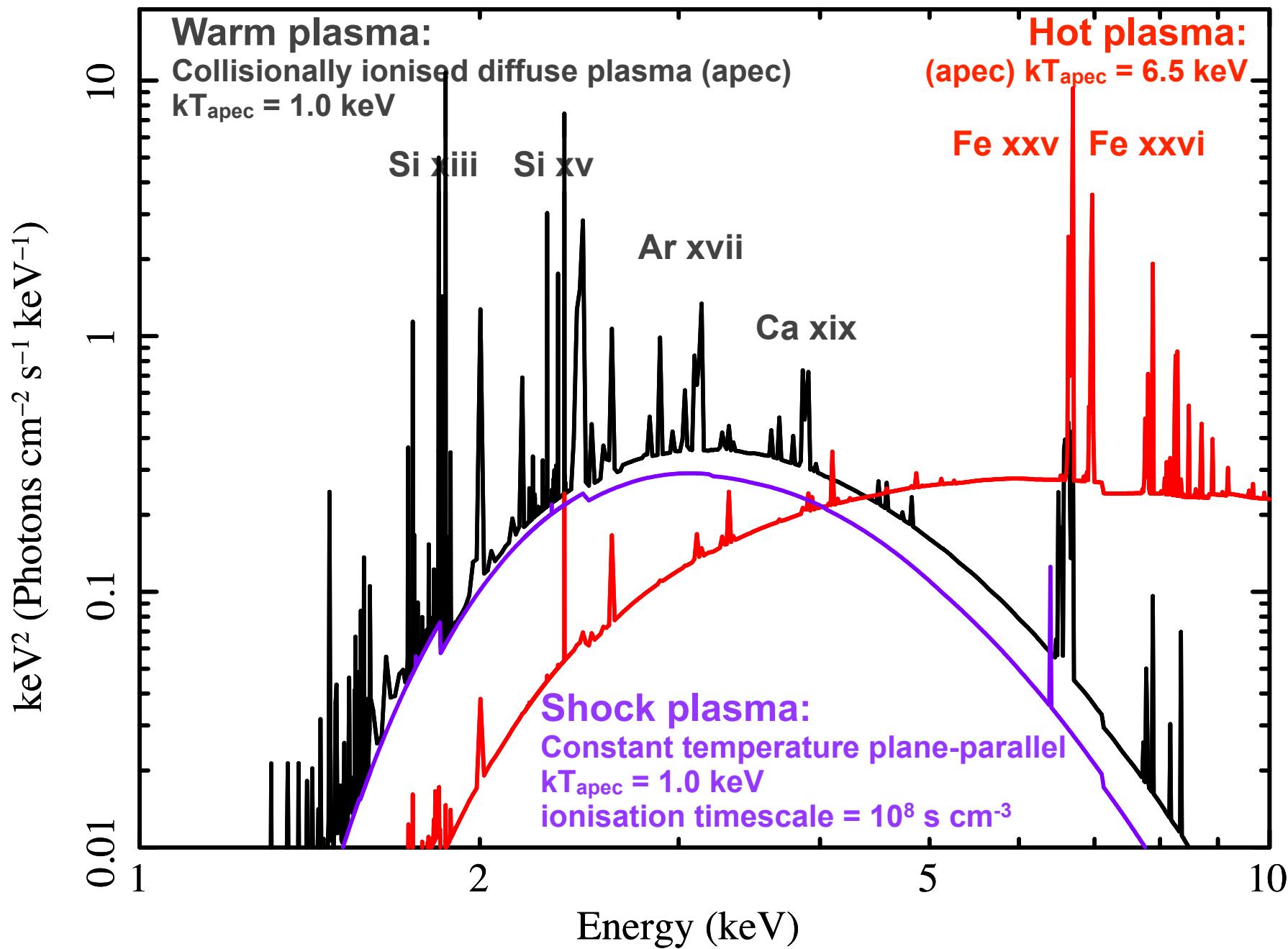
kT_s : shock temperature (keV)

tau: ionisation timescale (s cm^{-3})

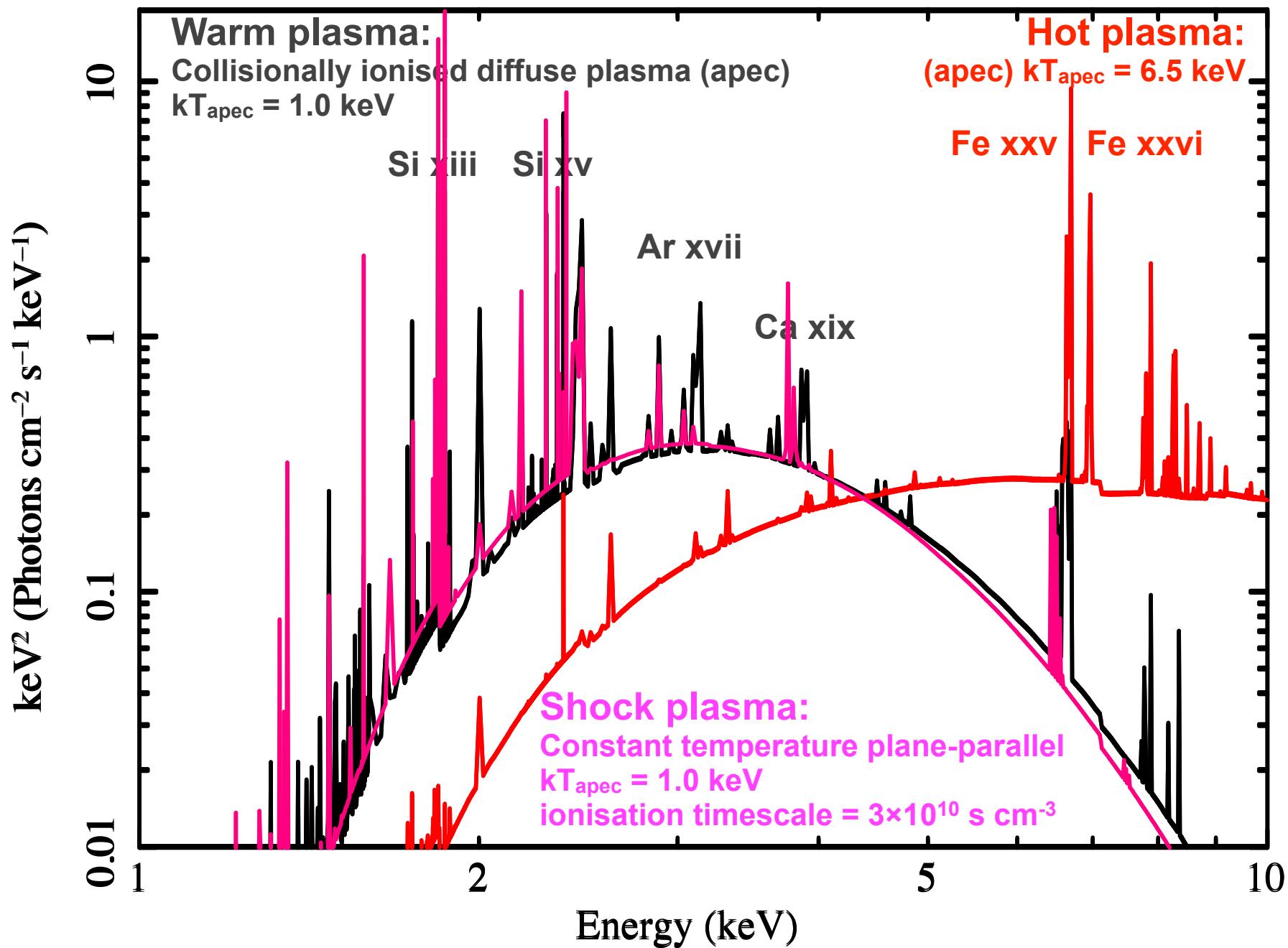
m_p : proton mass (g)

r_m : baryon per hydrogen

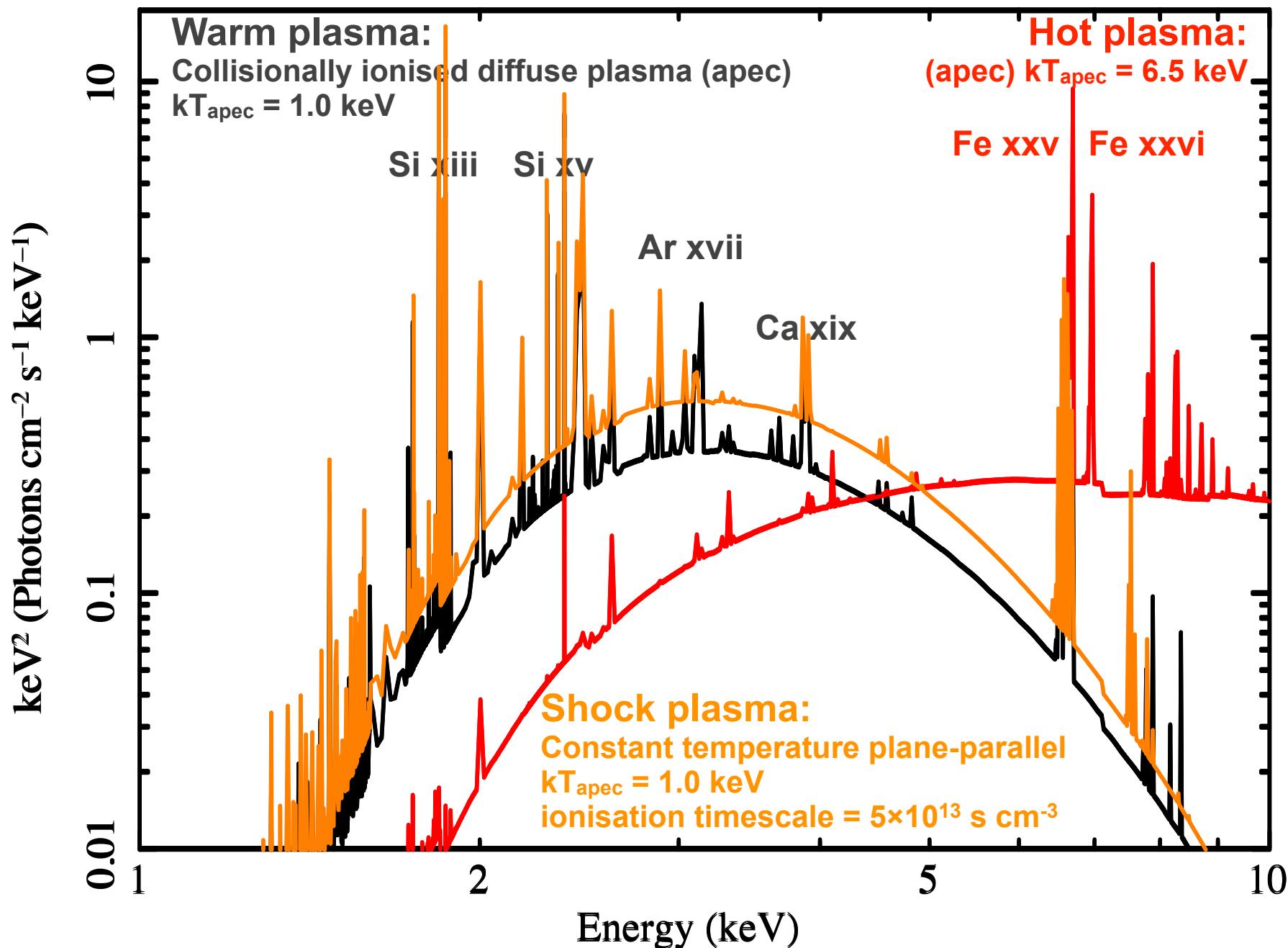
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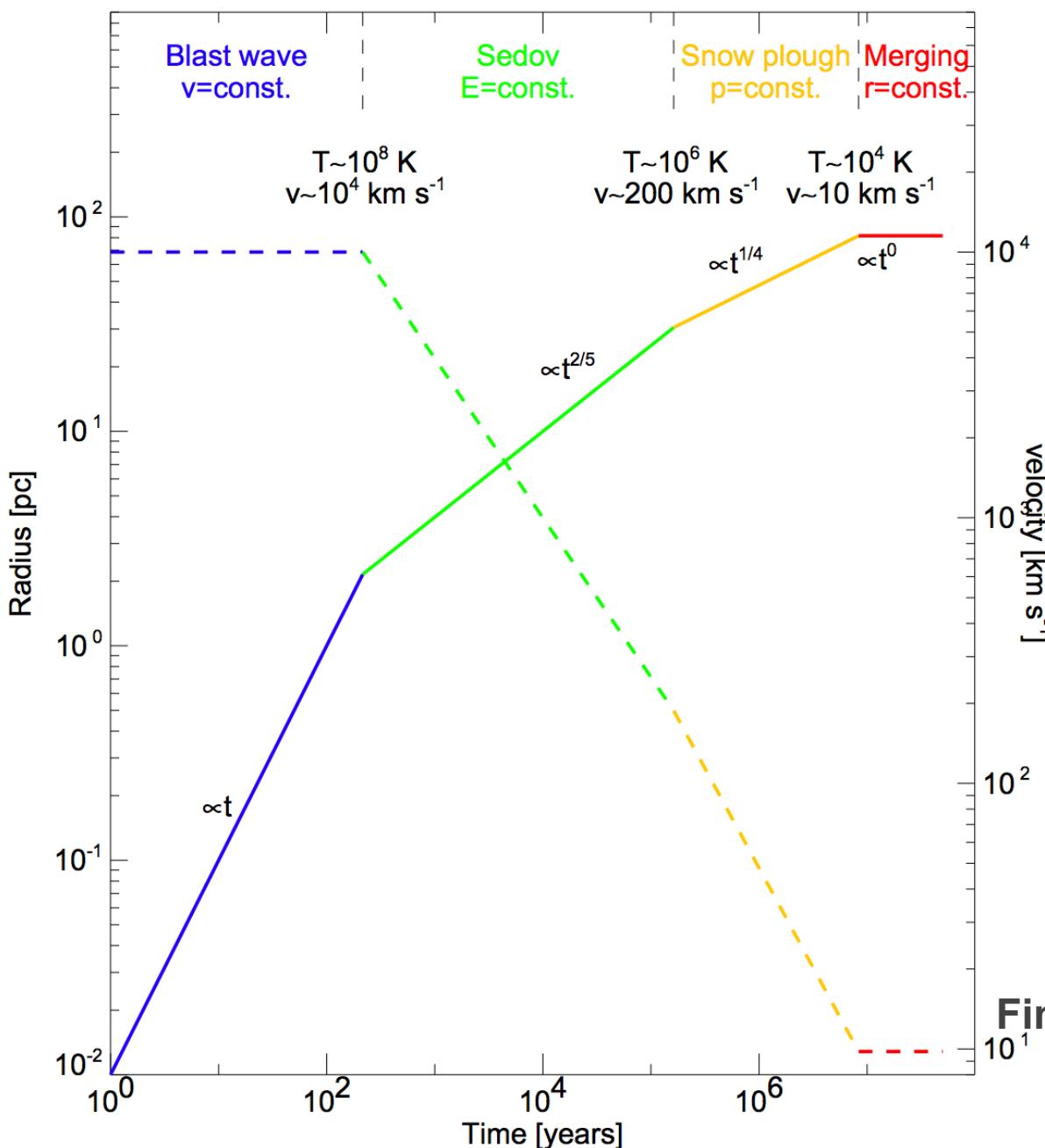


X-ray emission from bright GC point sources



X-ray provide: EM, kT_s , R, tau → Determine explosion energetics & ISM parameters

Different phases of supernova remnants



Free expansion phase

$t \sim 2\text{-}3 \times 10^2 \text{ yr}$
No deceleration ($R \propto t$)
velocity ejecta (v) $\sim 10^4 \text{ km s}^{-1}$
Mass swept-up (M) $< M_{\text{Sun}}$

Adiabatic or Sedov phase

$t \sim 2 \times 10^4 \text{ yr}$
 $M \sim M_{\text{ejecta}}$
(E conserved)
→ No ionisation equilibrium

Snow plough phase

$t \sim 5 \times 10^5 \text{ yr}$
 kT_s drops below kT_{recomb}
Rapid recombination
Finally the remnants merges with ISM

Stellar winds & superbubbles



Superbubble Heinze 70 in Large Magellanic Cloud

All main sequence stars earlier than B2 and late type B stars

→ high speed winds with high \dot{M}_{out}

Typically:

$$V_{\text{out}} = 2 \times 10^3 \text{ km s}^{-1}$$

→ after $t \sim 10^6$ yr

$$\rightarrow E_{\text{kin}} > 10^{50} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$$

→ large impact on ISM

Castor +75; Weaver +77; Mac Low +88

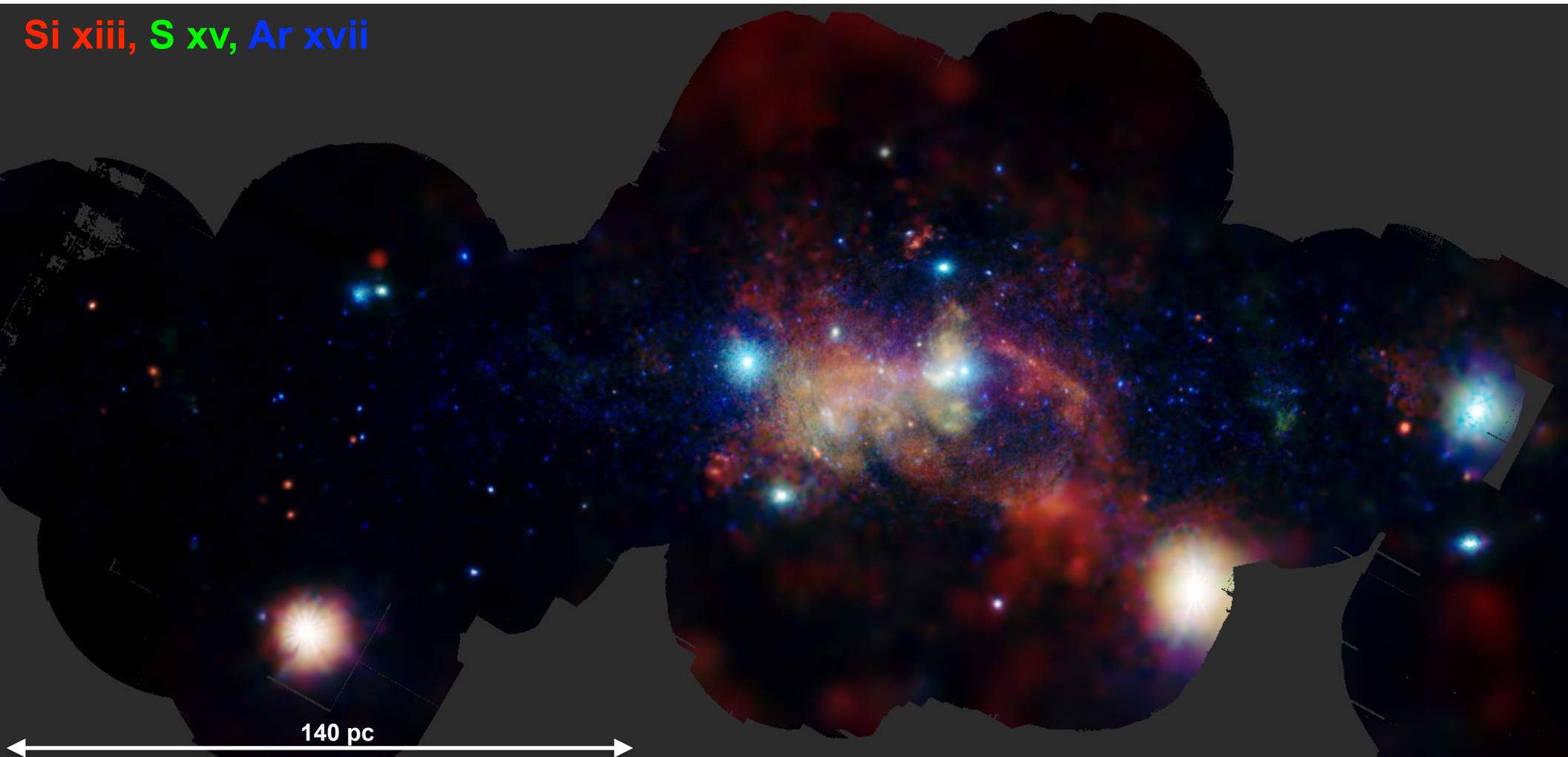
Evolution similar to SNR
Reach $R \sim 30\text{-}60$ pc
Hot bubble surrounded by cold material

→ Escape Galactic potential

→ enrich Galactic halo

Distribution of warm plasma

Ponti +15



Patchy distribution with small and large structures

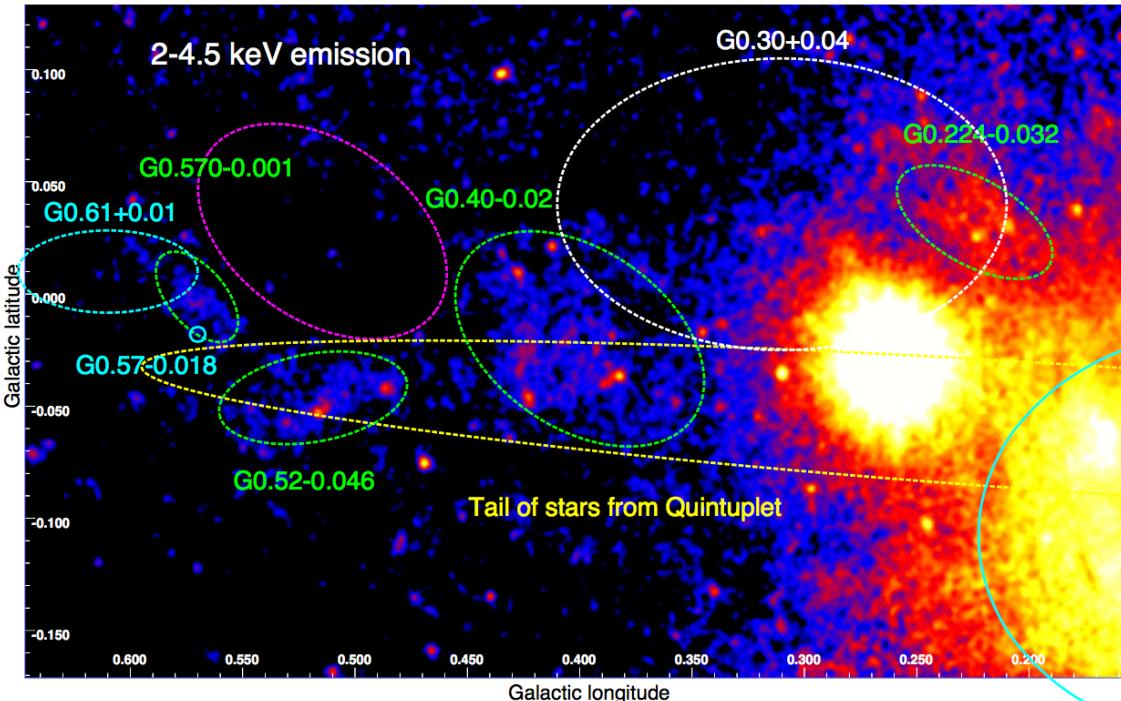
Total luminosity of soft plasma: $L_x \sim 3.4 \times 10^{36} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$

Bound to the Galaxy

Origin?

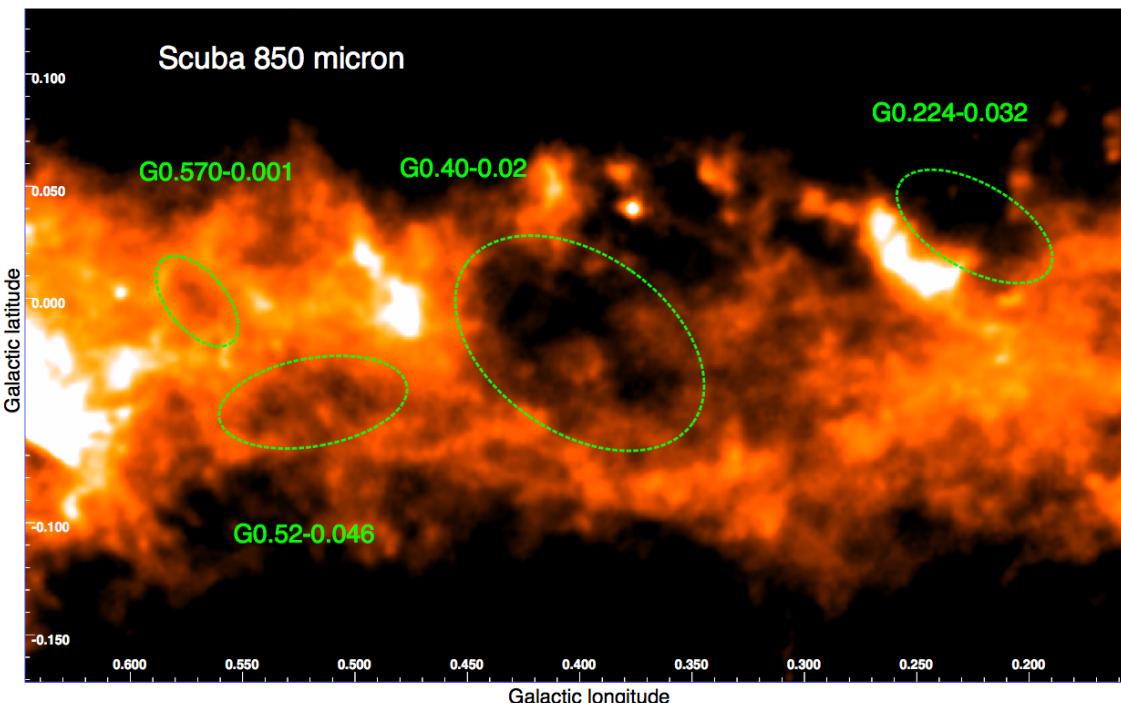
New SNR, excavating bubbles in MCZ?

Ponti +15



New soft X-ray features

$E_{th} \sim 10^{49-50}$ erg
Probably SNR



Holes in MC distribution

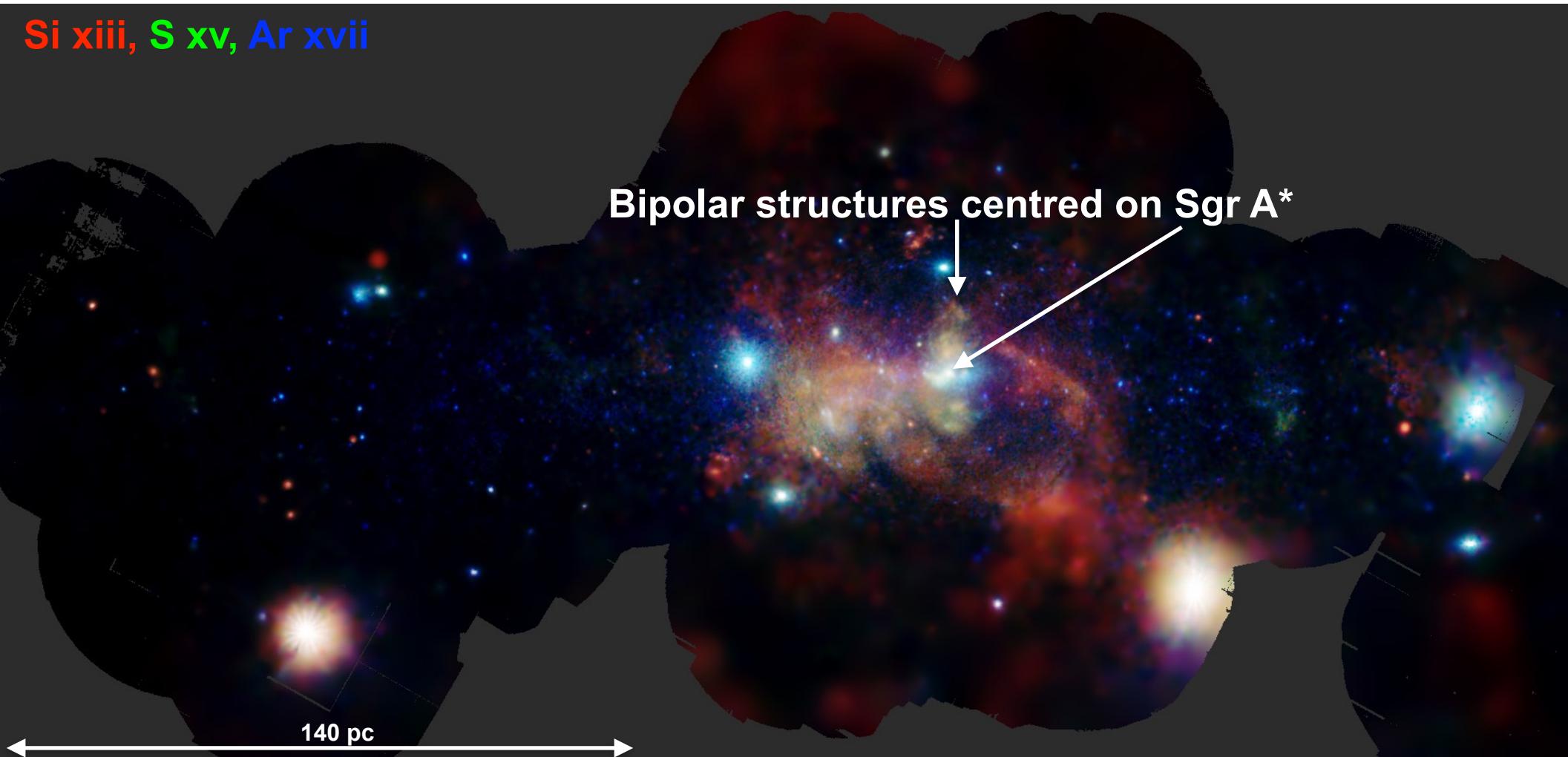
Expanding molecular shell?

G0.570-0.001 confirmed!!

Tanaka +09

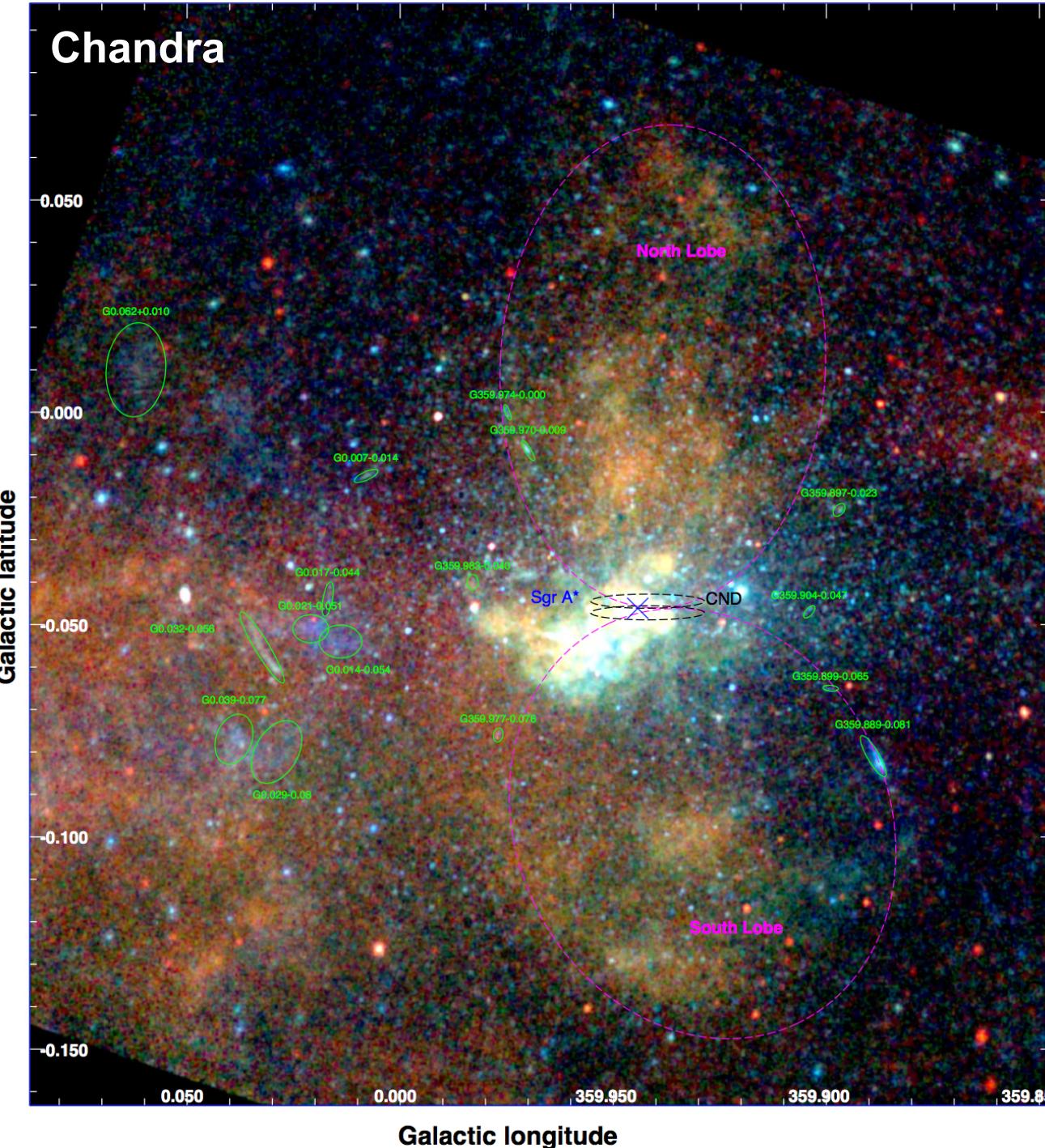
The lobes of the Sgr A complex

Ponti +15



Ponti +15

Sgr A's lobes



Bipolar thermal ($kT \sim 1\text{keV}$) features ($5 \times 10\text{pc}$)

→ Signatures of outflow (collimated by the circum-nuclear disc) from Sgr A*'s region

Morris +03; Baganoff +03; Markoff +10;
Heard +12; Ponti +12

$$E_{\text{th}} \sim 9 \times 10^{49} \text{ erg}$$

→ Winds from central star cluster

→ Winds from Sgr A*'s accretion flow Wang +13

Sharp edges

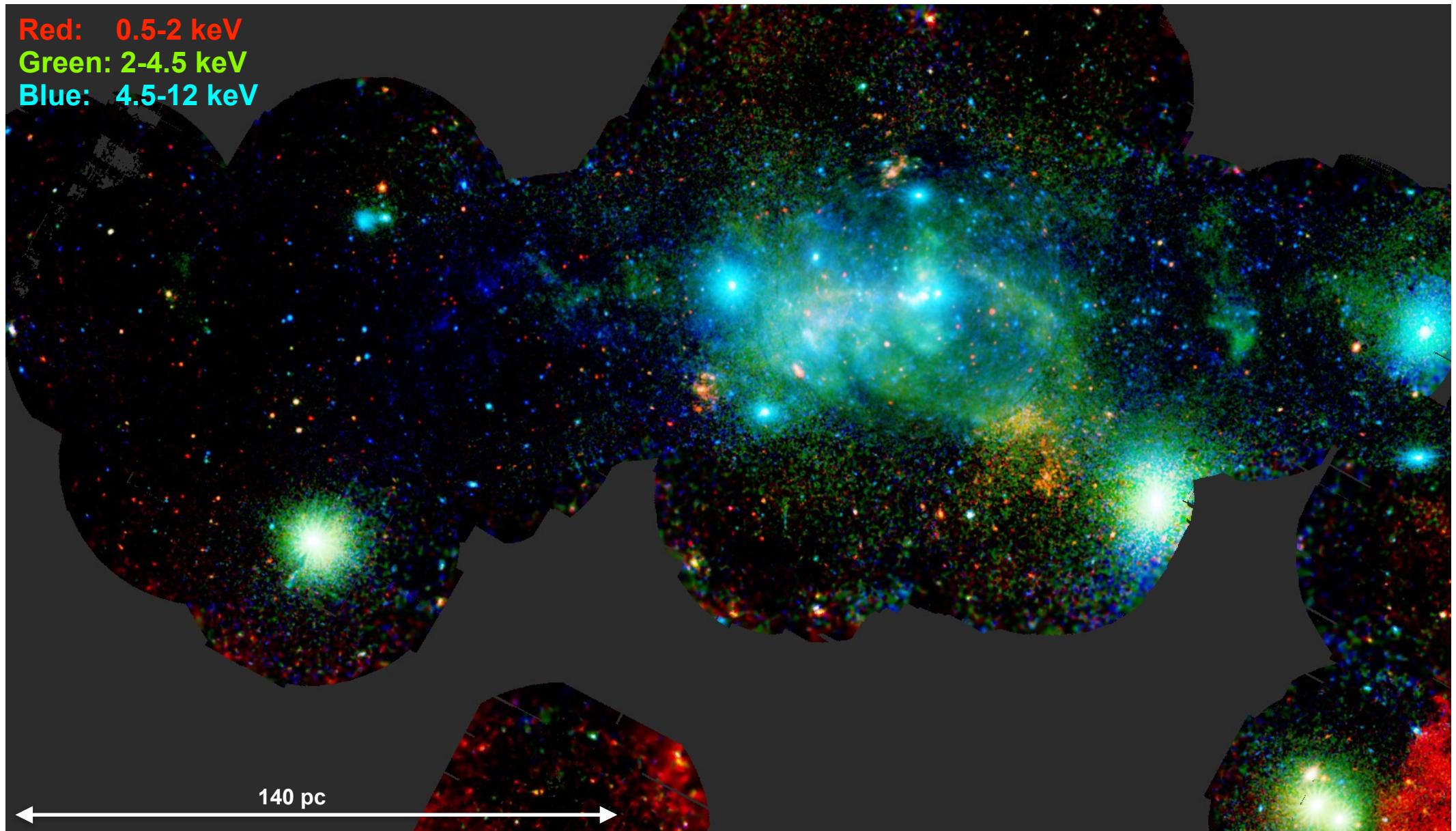
→ Explosive event

SGR J1745-2900?

SNR of PWN G359.945-0.044?

Summary

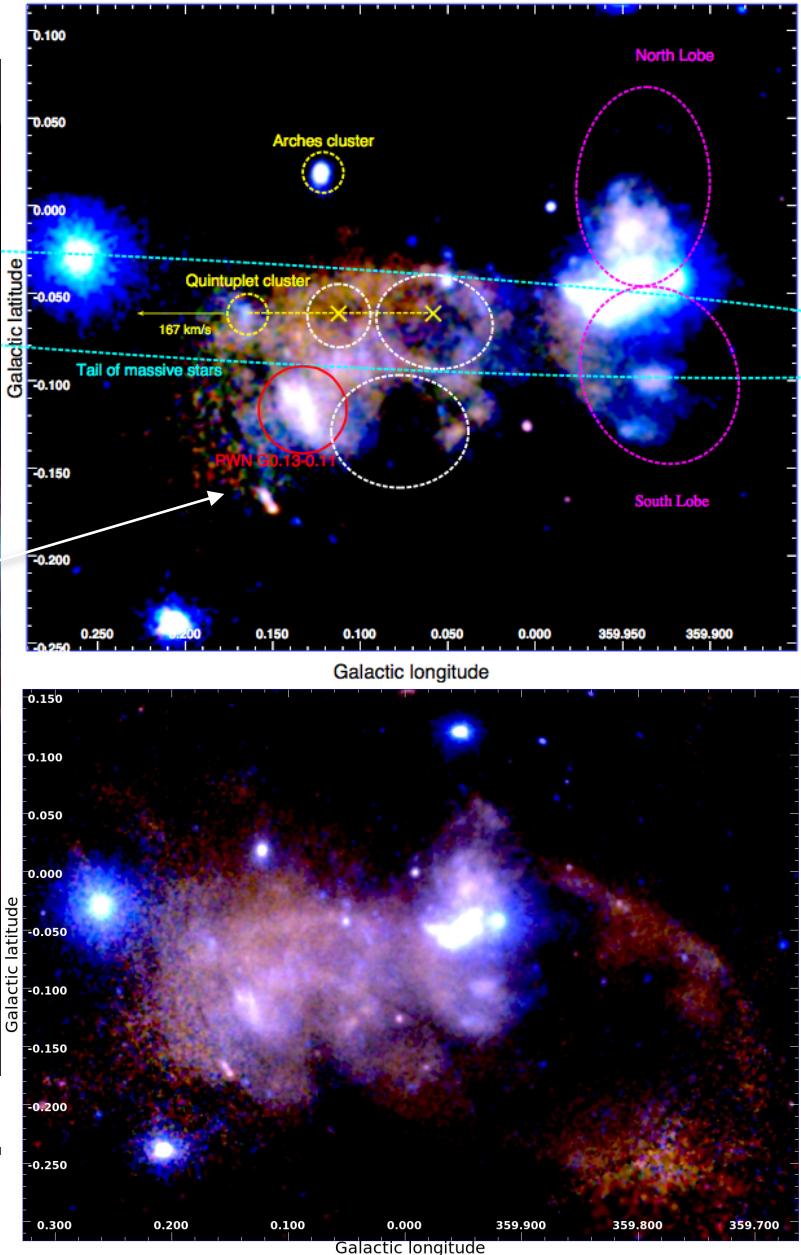
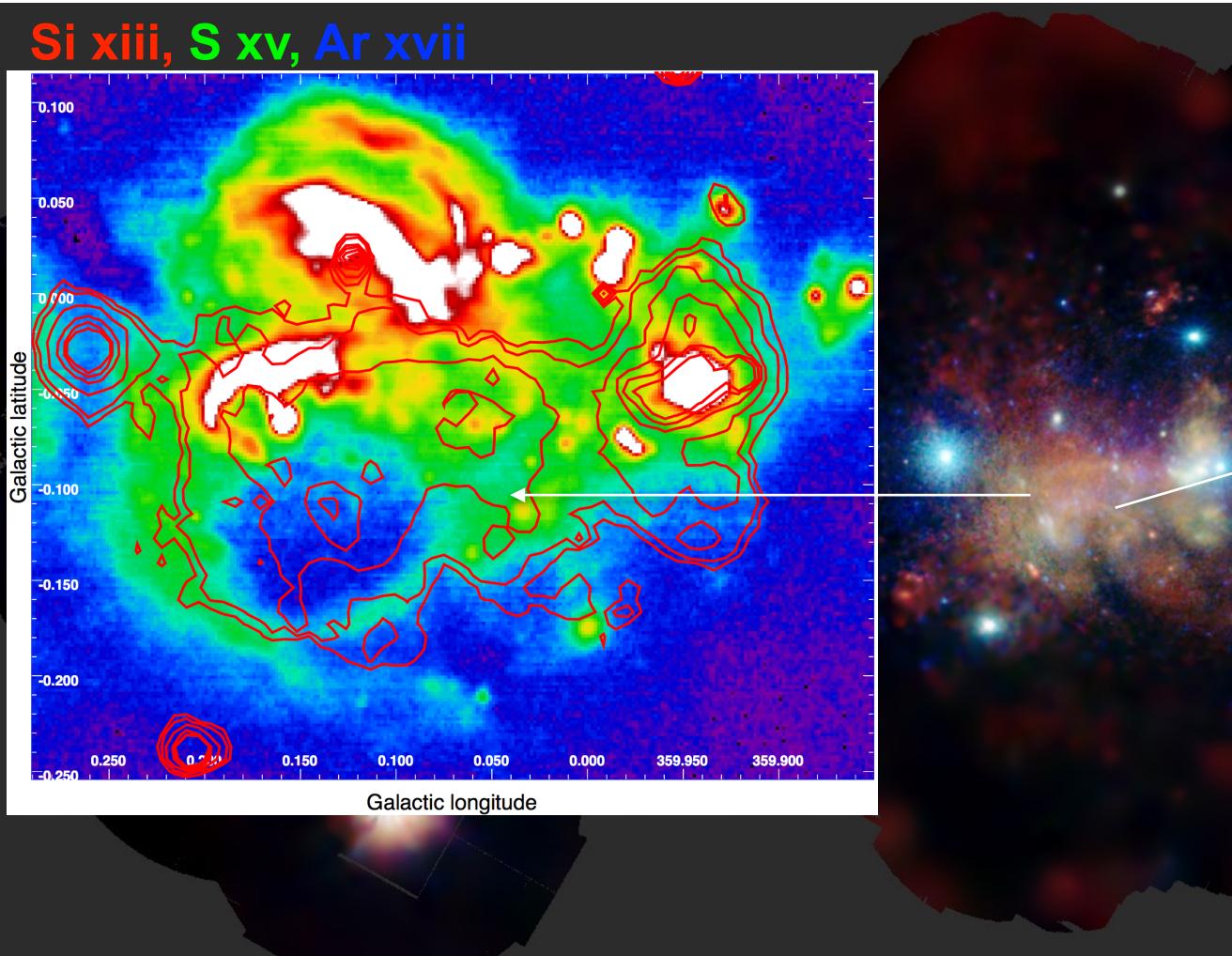
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SNR interacting with clouds
Sgr A lobes → outflow from central parsec

Super-bubbles and outflows!



SNR associated to PWN G0.
 $E_{\text{th}} \sim 3 \times 10^{49} \text{ erg}$ H

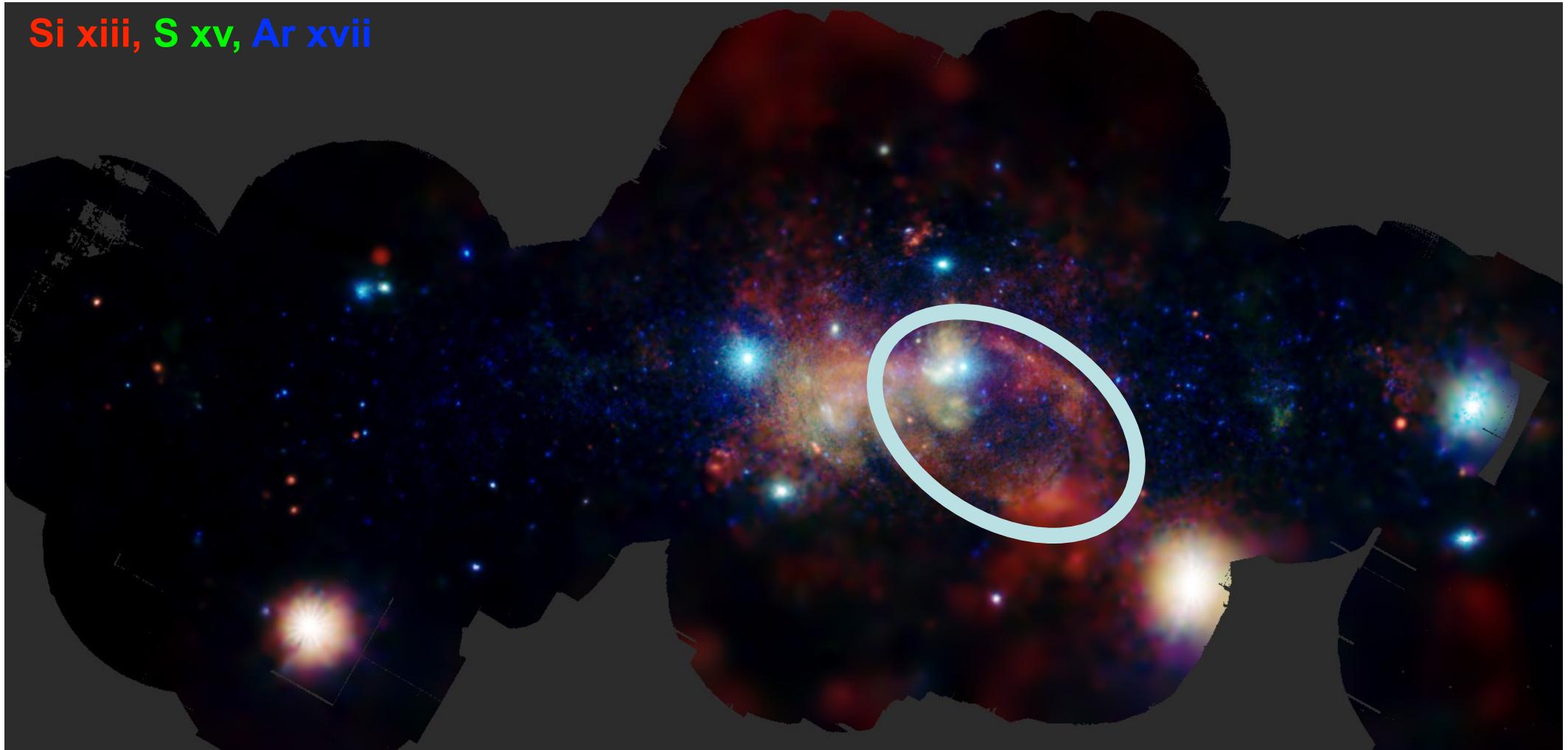
Thermal X-rays fill the MIR arc bubble
 $E_{\text{th}} \sim 1.5 \times 10^{51} \text{ erg}$

A super-bubble powered by the Quintuplet cluster?

Super-bubbles and outflows!

Ponti +15

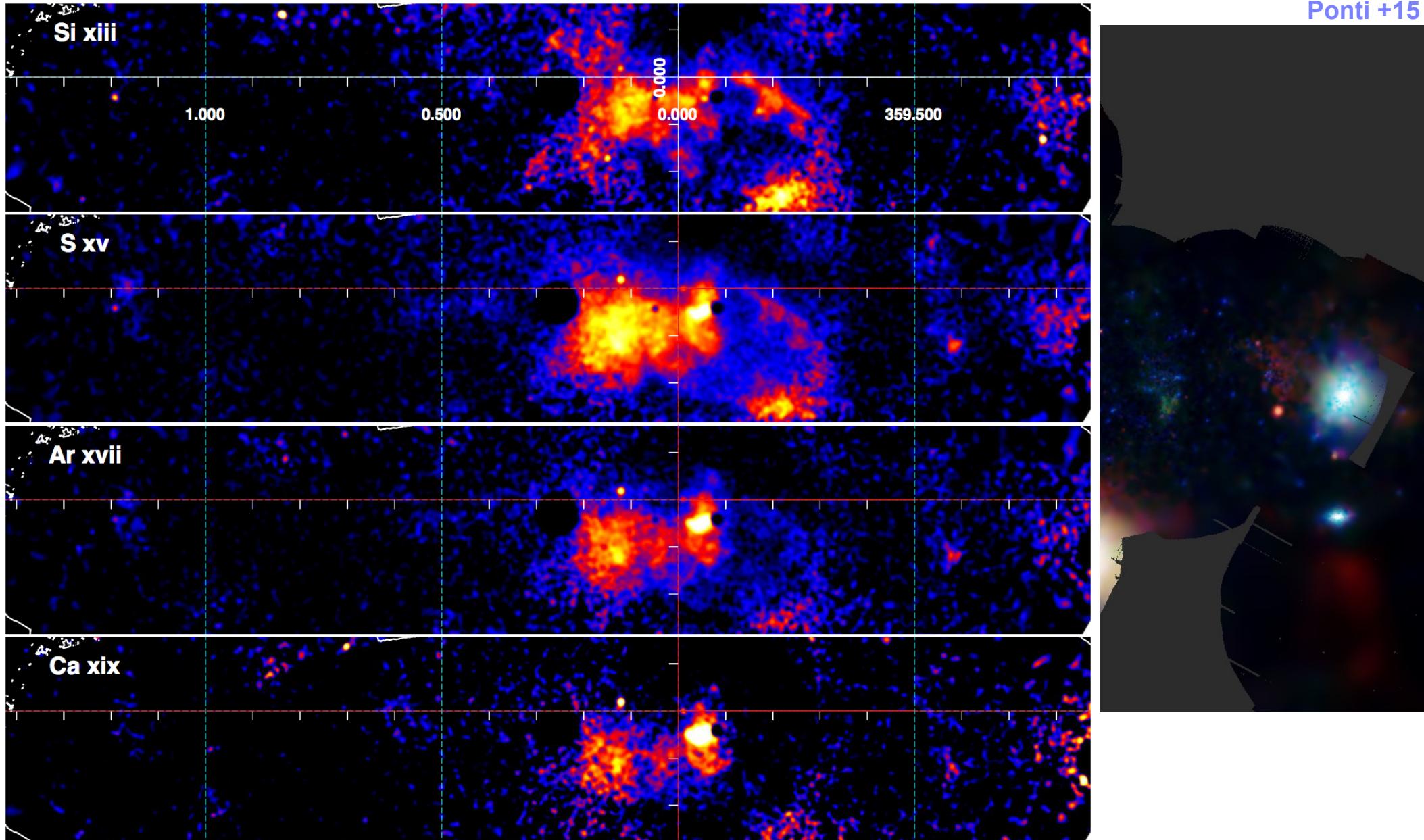
Si xiii, S xv, Ar xvii



Series of SNR producing an apparently coherent structure

Mori +09; Heard +13

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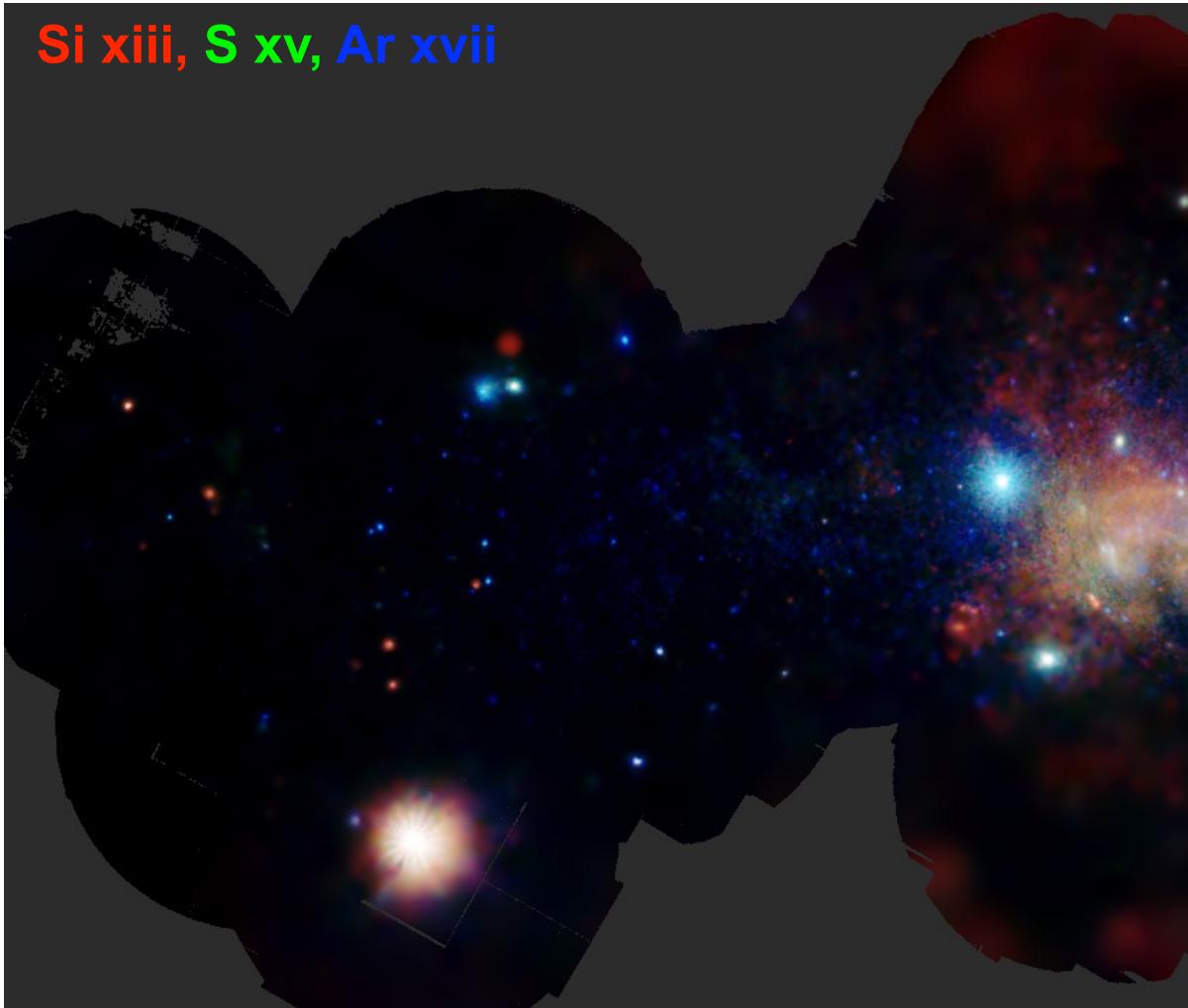
Filled (S xv) elliptical structure 3d shell morphology

$E_{\text{th}} \sim 1.5 \times 10^{51}$ erg (another super-bubble?) Mori +09; Heard +13

Remnant of a tidal disruption event? (1 every 10^4 yr) Guillochon +15

Super-bubbles and outflows!

Si xiii, S xv, Ar xvii



ATLAS OF DIFFUSE X-RAY EMITTING FEATURES

| Name | Other name | Coordinates (l, b) | Size arcsec | References |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|
| STAR CLUSTERS: | | | | |
| Central star cluster | | 359.9442, -0.046 | 0.33 | 45,116,117,118 |
| Quintuplet | | 0.1604, -0.0591 | 0.5 | 1,63,11 |
| Arches | G0.12+0.02 | 0.1217, 0.0188 | 0.7 | 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,39,40,11 |
| Sh2-10 | DB00-6 | 0.3072, -0.2000 | 1.92 | 10,11,12,63,11 |
| Sh2-17 | DB00-58 | 0.0013, 0.1588 | 1.65 | 13,63,11 |
| DB00-05 | G0.33-0.18 | 0.31 -0.19 | 0.4 | 22,63,11 |
| SNR - BUBBLES - SUPER-BUBBLES: | | | | |
| G359.0-0.9 | G358.5-0.9 - G359.1-0.9 | 359.03,-0.96 | 26 × 20 | X-R 48,51,75,76,81,119,120 |
| G359.07-0.02 | G359.0-0.0 | 359.07,-0.02 | 22 × 10 | R 14,48,51,66 |
| | G359.12-0.05 | 359.12,-0.05 | 24 × 16 | X 66 |
| G359.10-0.5 | | 359.10,-0.51 | 22 × 22 | X-R 37,48,51,56,74,75,81,120,121 |
| G359.41-0.12 | | 359.41,-0.12 | 3.5 × 5.0 | X 14 |
| Chimney | | 359.46,+0.04 | 6.8 × 2.3 | X 14 |
| G359.73-0.35† | | 359.73,-0.35 | 4 | X 58 |
| G359.77-0.09 | Superbubble | 359.84,-0.14 | 20 × 16 | X 15,16,17,58 |
| | G359.79-0.26‡ | 359.79,-0.26 | 8 × 5.2 | X 15,16,17,58 |
| | G0.0-0.16†† | 0.00,-0.16 | | X This work |
| G359.87+0.44 | Cane | 359.87,+0.44 | 11 × 5 | R 48 |
| | G359.85+0.39 | | | |
| 20pc Sgr A*'s lobes | | 359.94,-0.04 | 5.88 | R 32,33,34,17 |
| G359.92-0.09‡ | Parachute - G359.93-0.07 | 359.93,-0.09 | 1 | R 35,38,43,47,58,60,61 |
| Sgr A East | G0.0+0.0 | 359.963,-0.053 | 3.2 × 2.5 | X-R 5,18,19,20,48,75,81 |
| G0.1-0.1 | Arc Bubble | 0.109,-0.108 | 13.6 × 11 | X This work |
| | G0.13,-0.12§ | 0.13,-0.12 | 3 × 3 | X 17 |
| G0.224-0.032 | | 0.224,-0.032 | 2.3 × 4.6 | X This work |
| G0.30+0.04 | G0.3+0.0 | 0.34,+0.045 | 14 × 8.8 | R 21,48,51,81,82 |
| | G0.34+0.05 | | | |
| | G0.33+0.04 | | | |
| G0.40-0.02 | Suzaku J1746.4-2835.4 | 0.40,-0.02 | 4.7 × 7.4 | X 22 |
| | G0.42-0.04 | | | |
| G0.52-0.046 | | 0.519,-0.046◊ | 2.4 × 5.1 | This work |
| G0.57-0.001 | | 0.57,-0.001 | 1.5 × 2.9 | This work |
| G0.57-0.018† | CXO J174702.6-282733 | 0.570,-0.018 | 0.2 | X 23,24,58,59,68,80 |
| G0.61+0.01† | Suzaku J1747.0-2824.5 | 0.61,+0.01 | 2.2 × 4.8 | X 22,65,79 |
| G0.9+0.1♡ | SNR 0.9+0.1 | 0.867,+0.073 | 7.6 × 7.2 | R 25,26,27,28,29,48,75,81,82 |
| DS1 | G1.2-0.0 | 1.17,-0.00 | 3.4 × 6.9 | X 31 |
| Sgr D SNR | G1.02-0.18 | 1.02,-0.17 | 10 × 8.0 | R 30,31,48,51,75,77,81,82 |
| | G1.05-0.15 | | | |
| | G1.05-0.1 | | | |
| | G1.0-0.1 | | | |
| G1.4-0.1 | | 1.4,-0.10 | 10 × 10 | R 73,81,82 |

Atlas of all (~15) SNR and SB candidate in the region

Assume SN emission is visible during $h_{\text{CMZ}}/c_s \sim 10\text{-}40$ kyr

$$3.5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ yr}^{-1} < \text{SN rate} < 15 \times 10^{-4} \text{ yr}^{-1}$$

Assuming Kroupa IMF: $\text{SFR} \sim 0.035\text{-}0.15 \text{ M}_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$

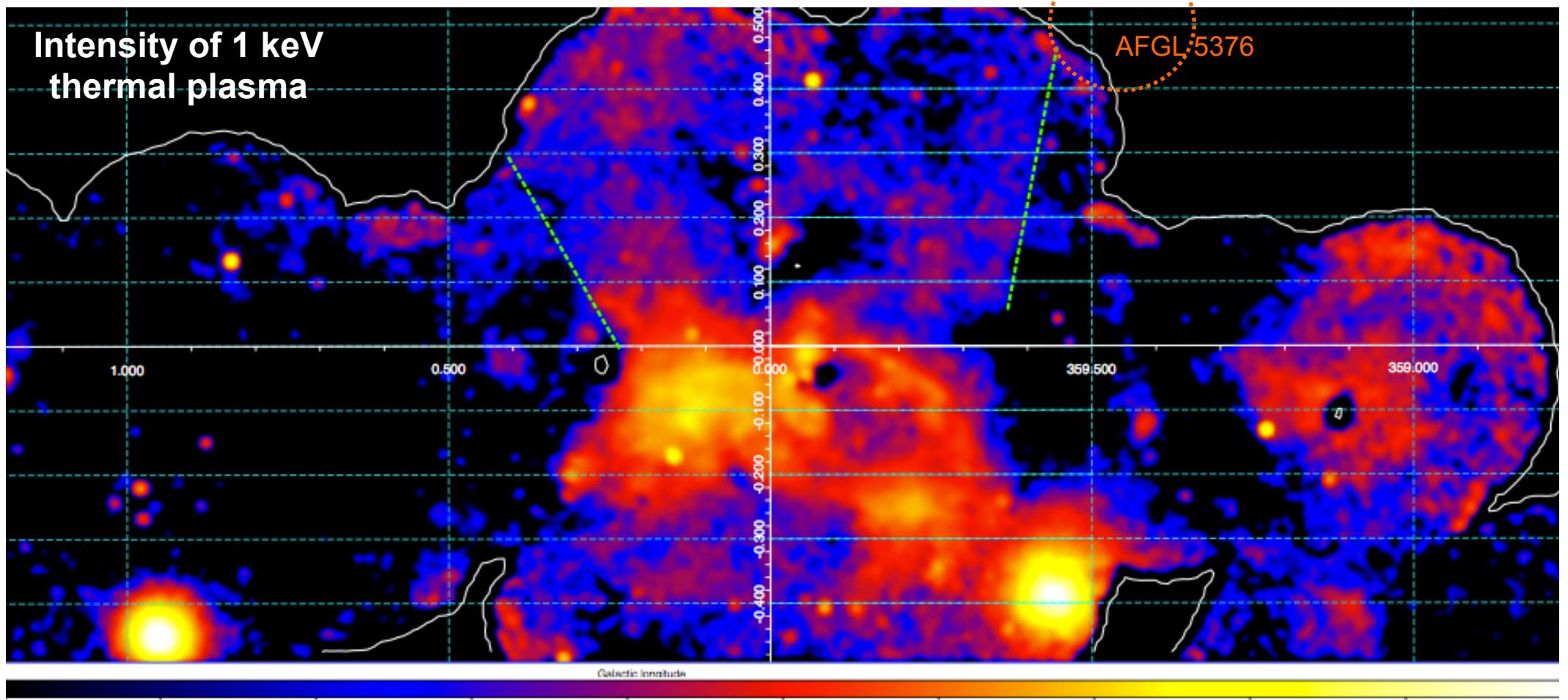
Massive kinetic energy input $> 1.1 \times 10^{40} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$

→ Powering outflows
to GCL?

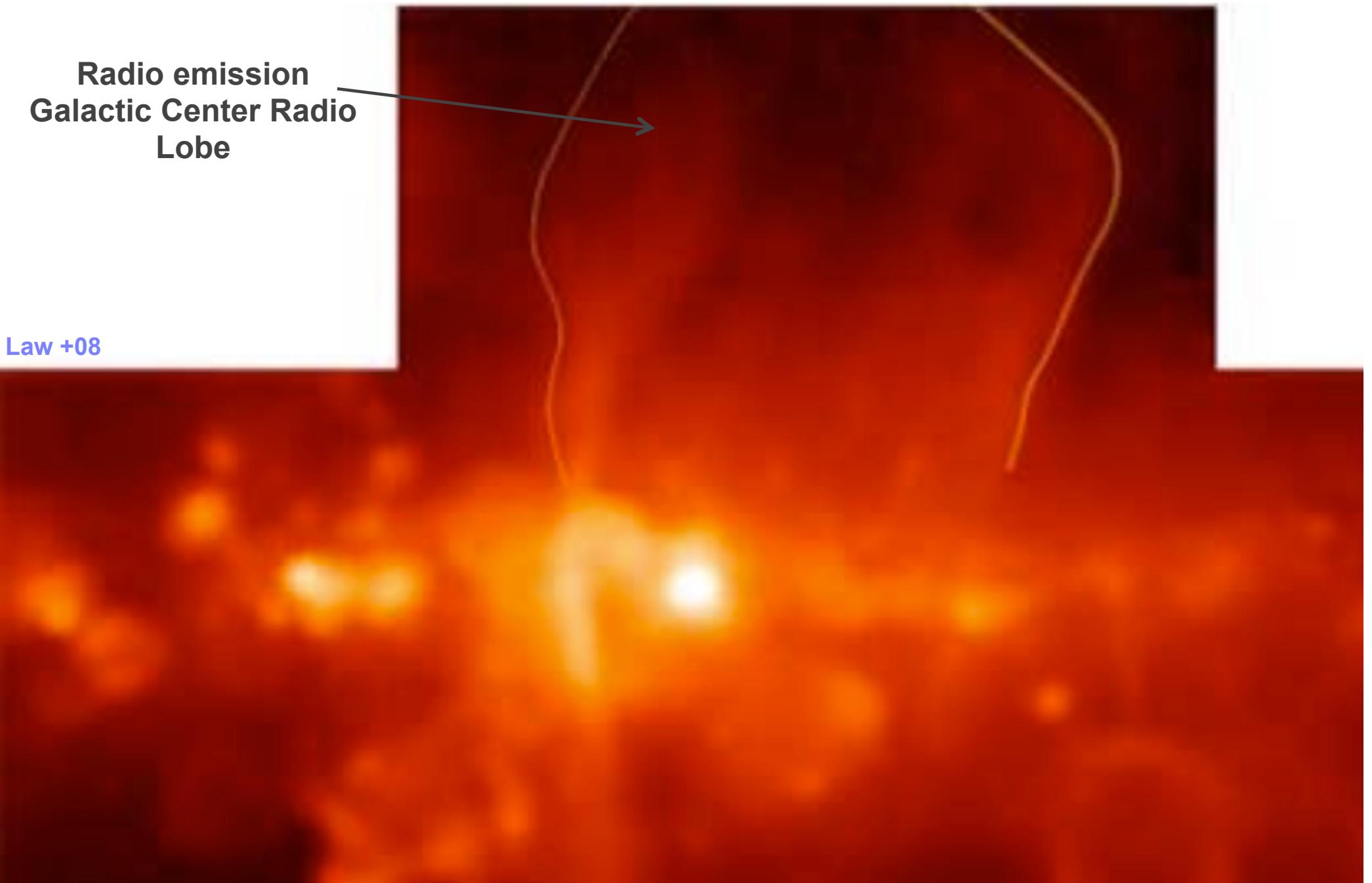
Law +11; Crocker +11; 12;
Yoast-Hull +14; Jouvin +15

High latitude soft plasma

Ponti +15

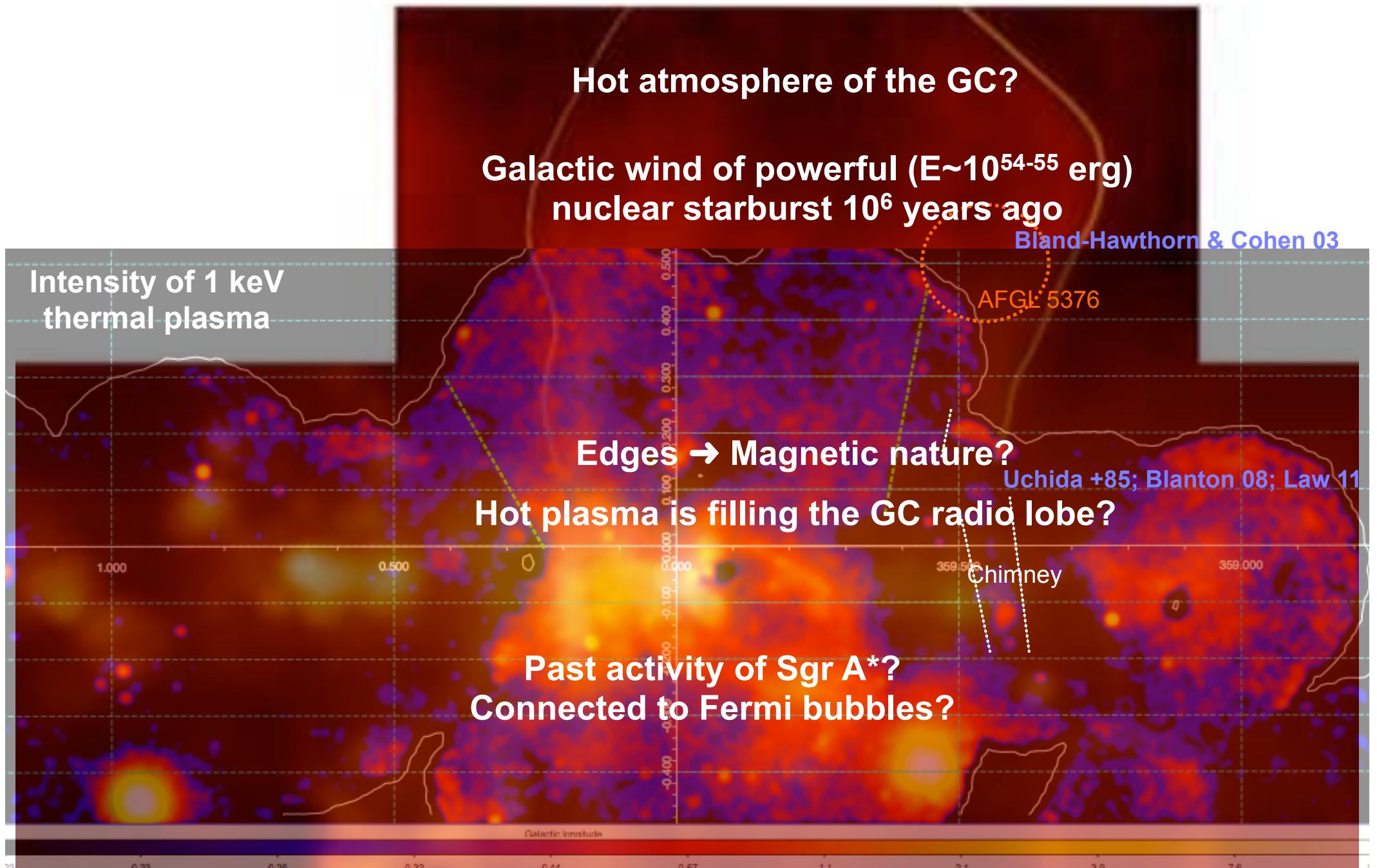


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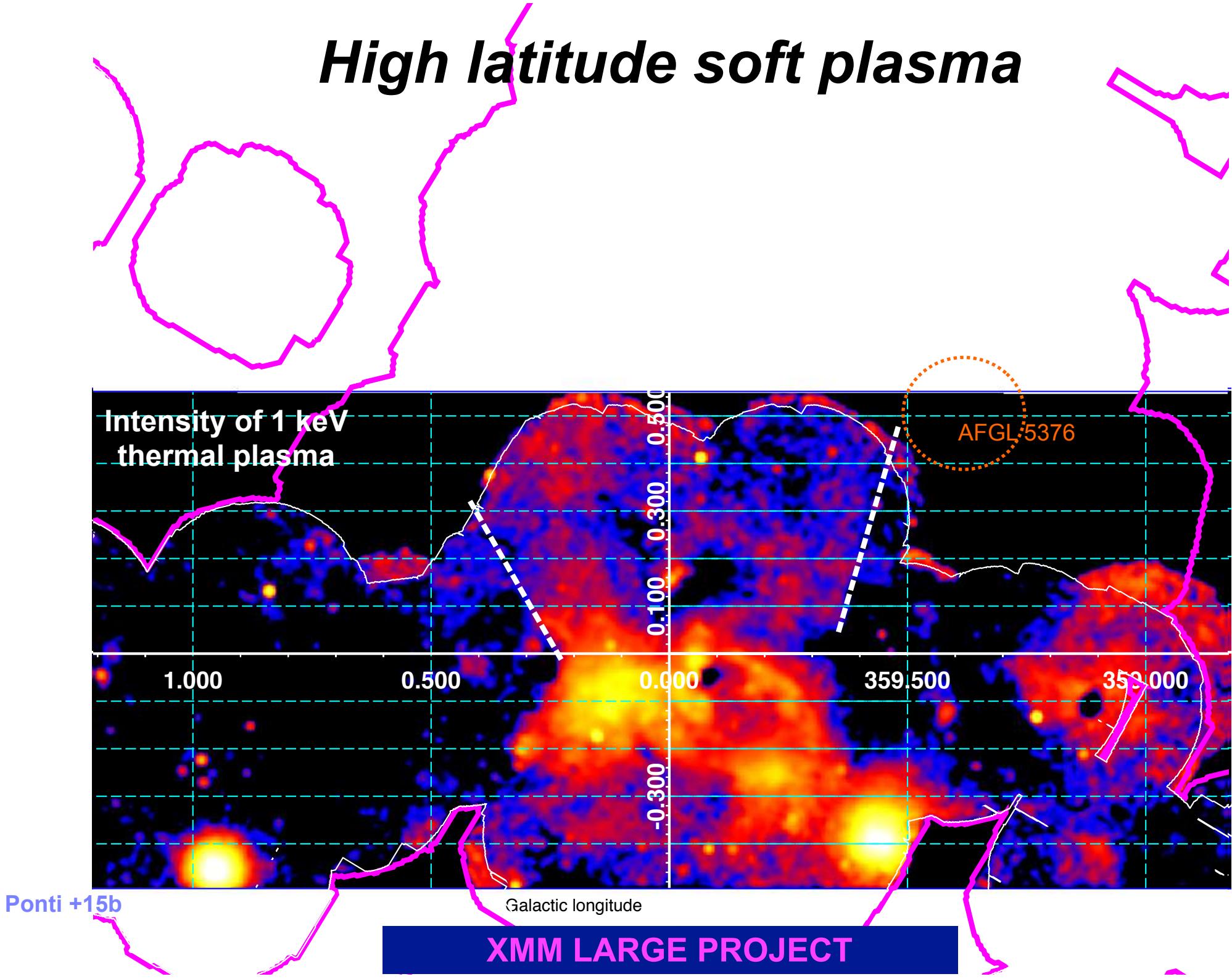


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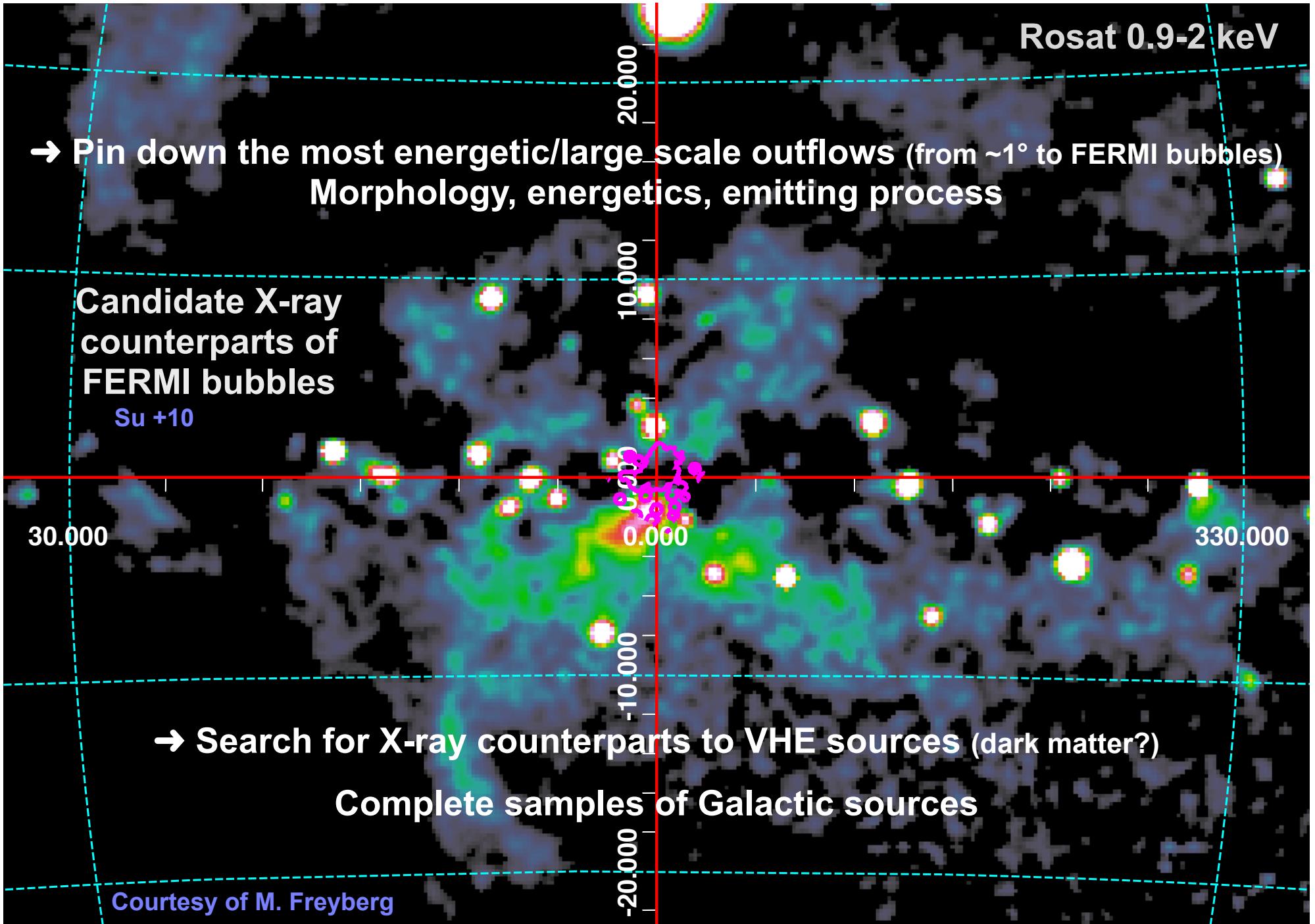
GC mini-starburst environment → Outflows Crocker +12



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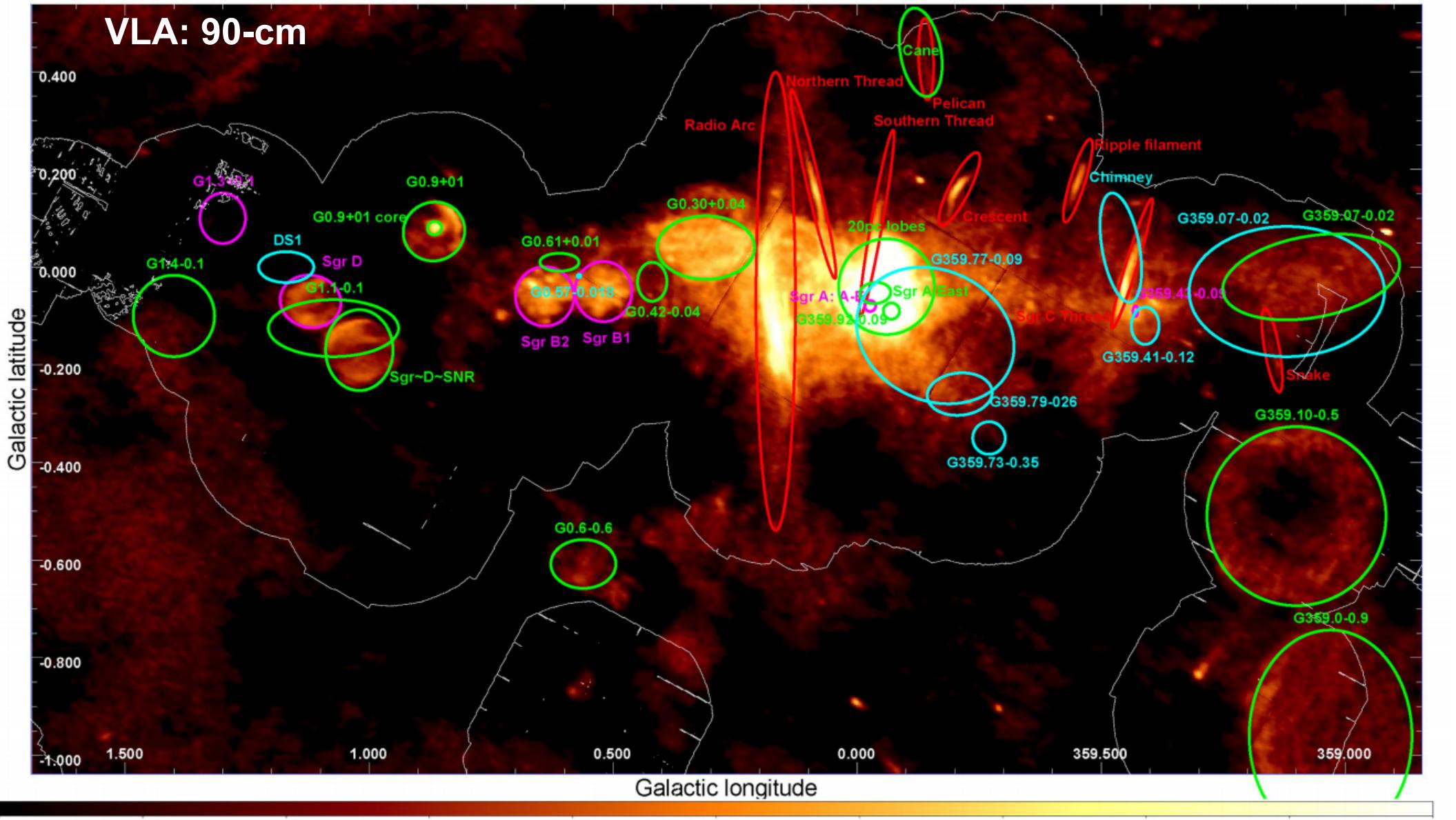


The future: eROSITA!



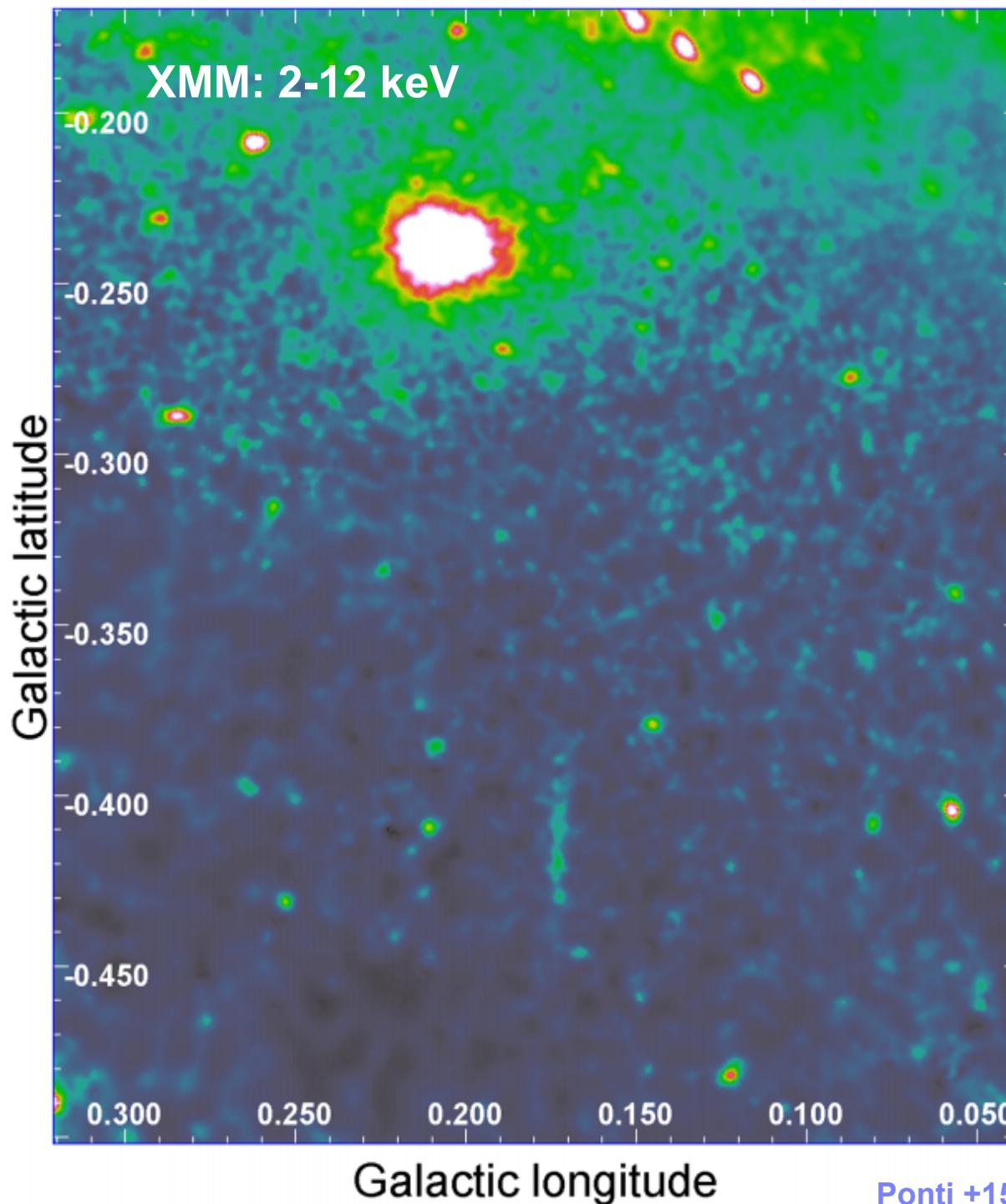
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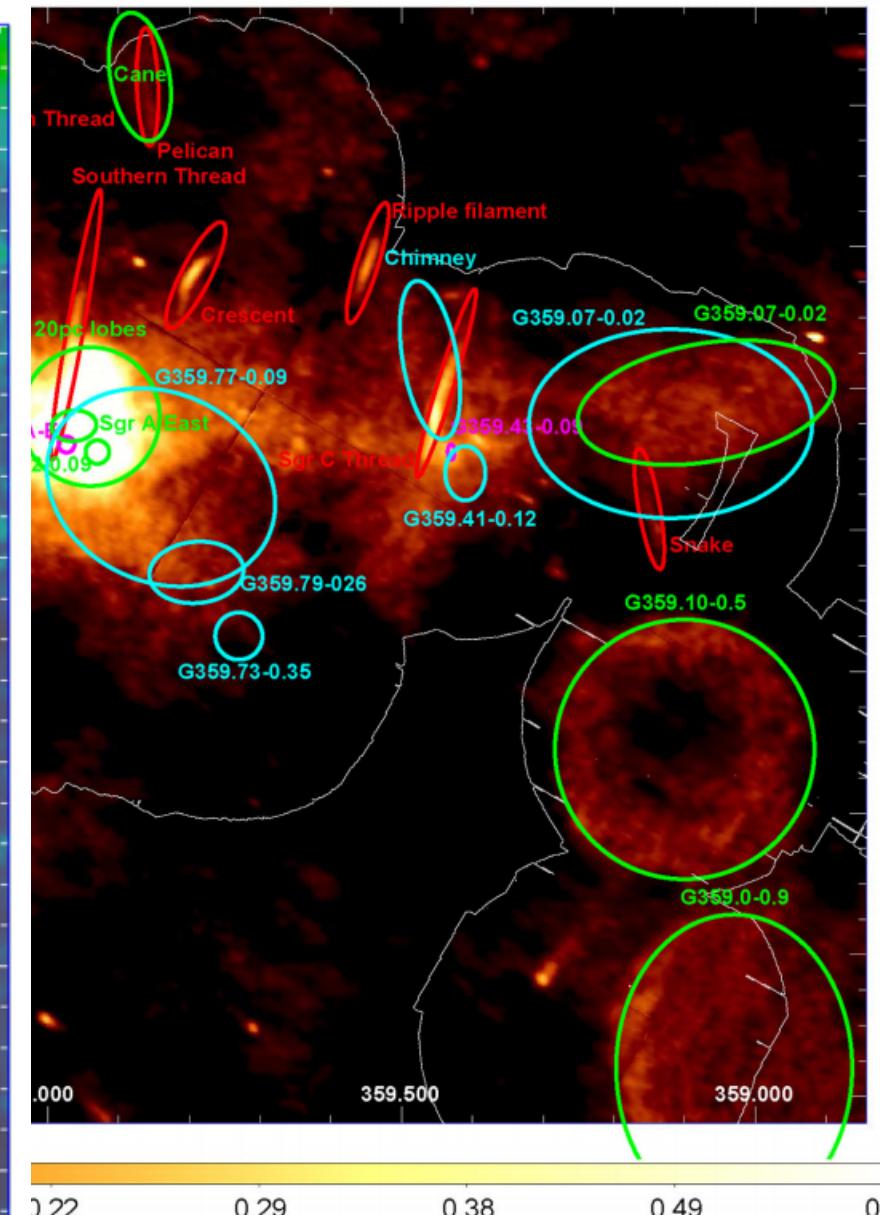


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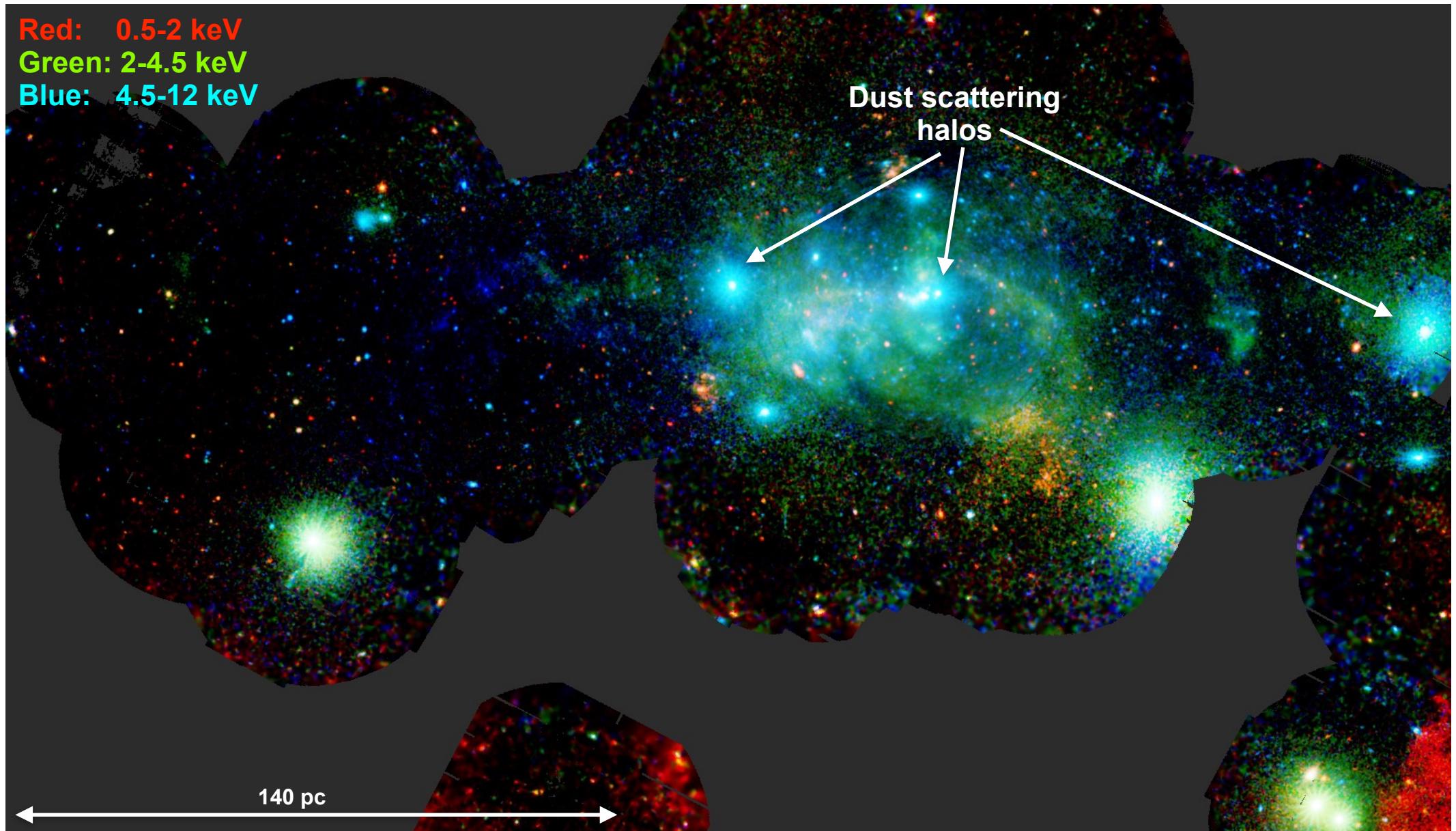
Ponti +15



Discovery of X-ray counterpart of
a radio filament
Magnetic reconnection?
First time on a linear filament!

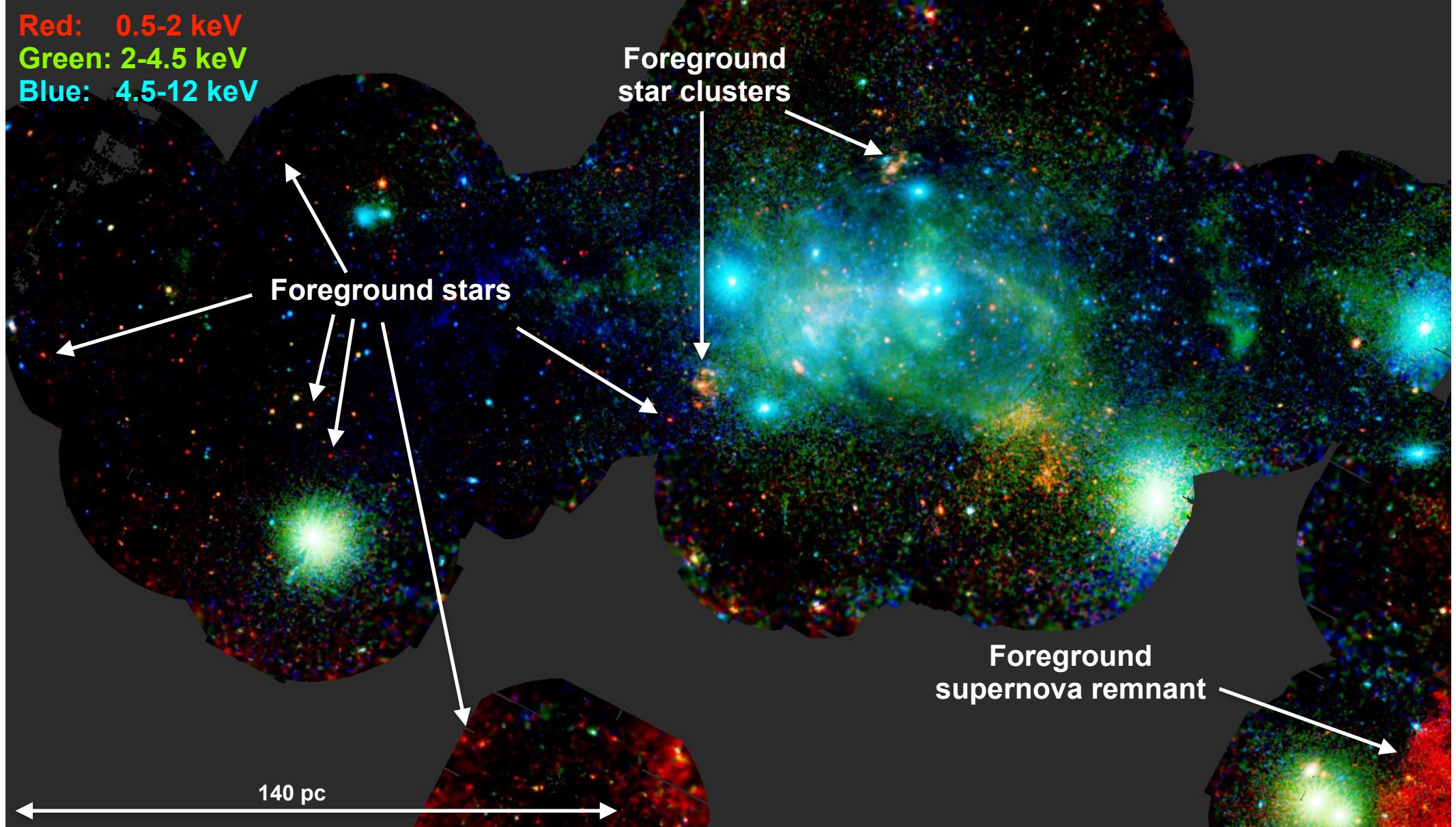
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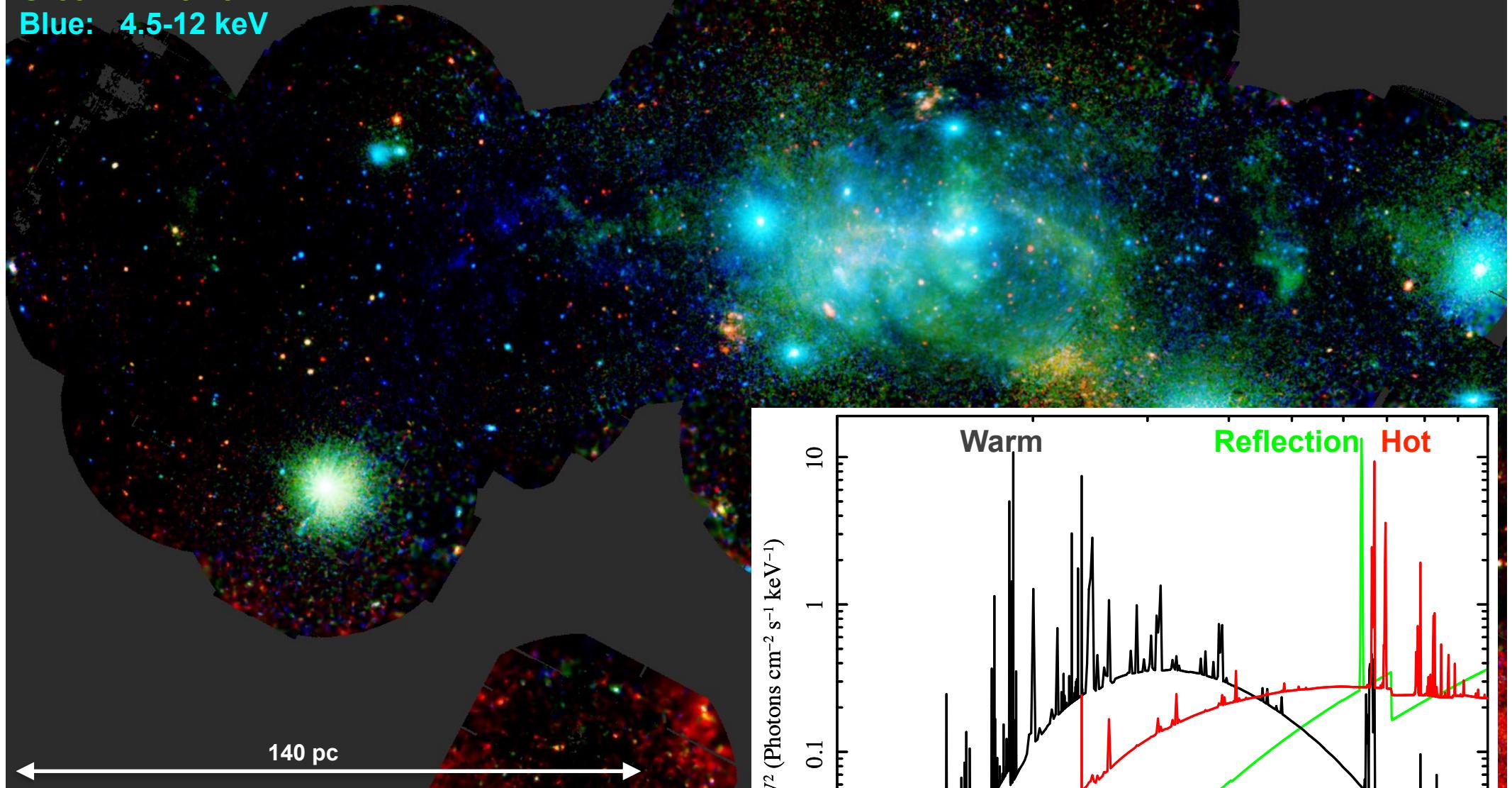
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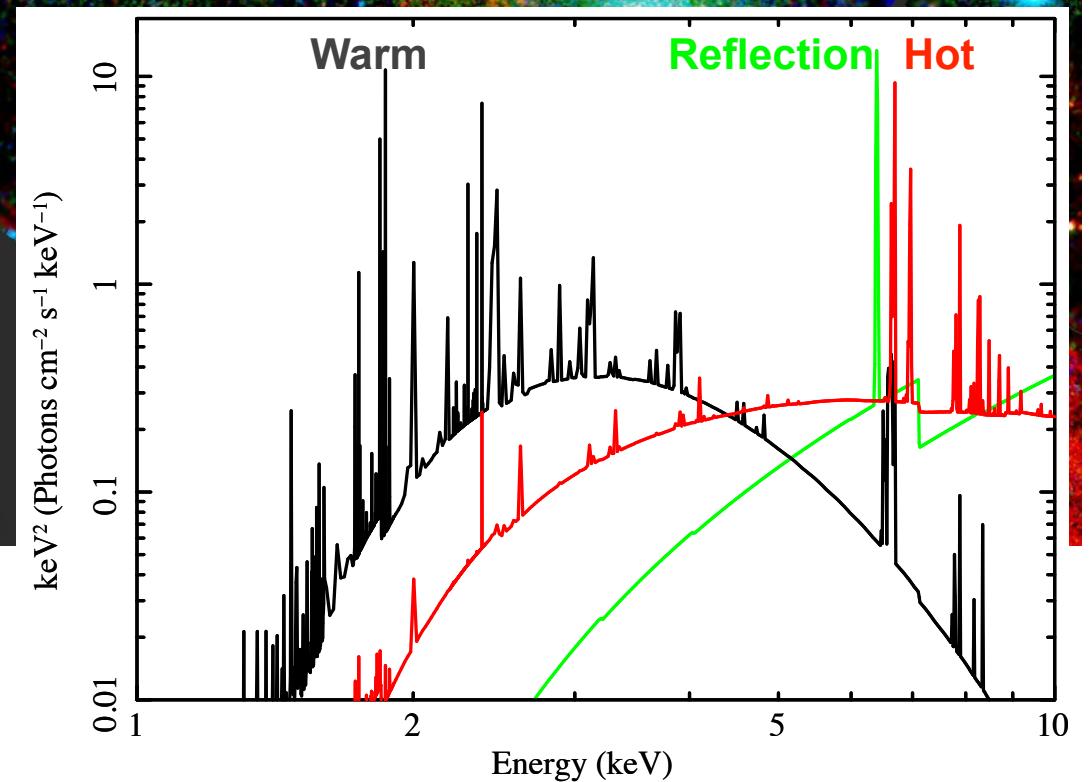
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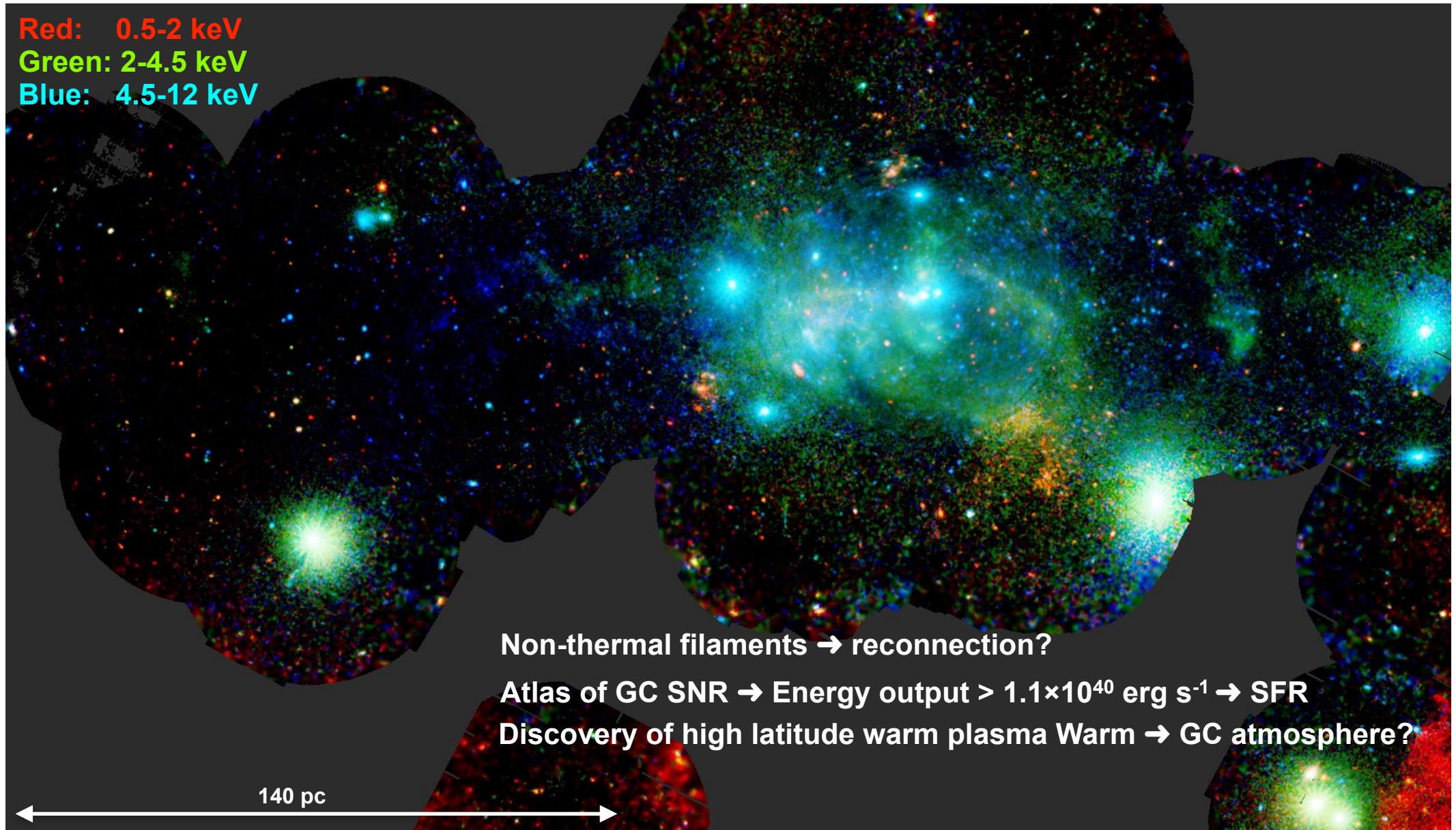


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Superbubble close to Sgr A* → TDE?