

Extragalactic Gamma-Ray Background Radiation (EGRB)

--- A Theorist's Point of View ---

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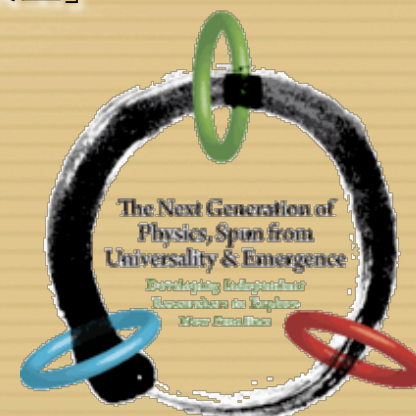
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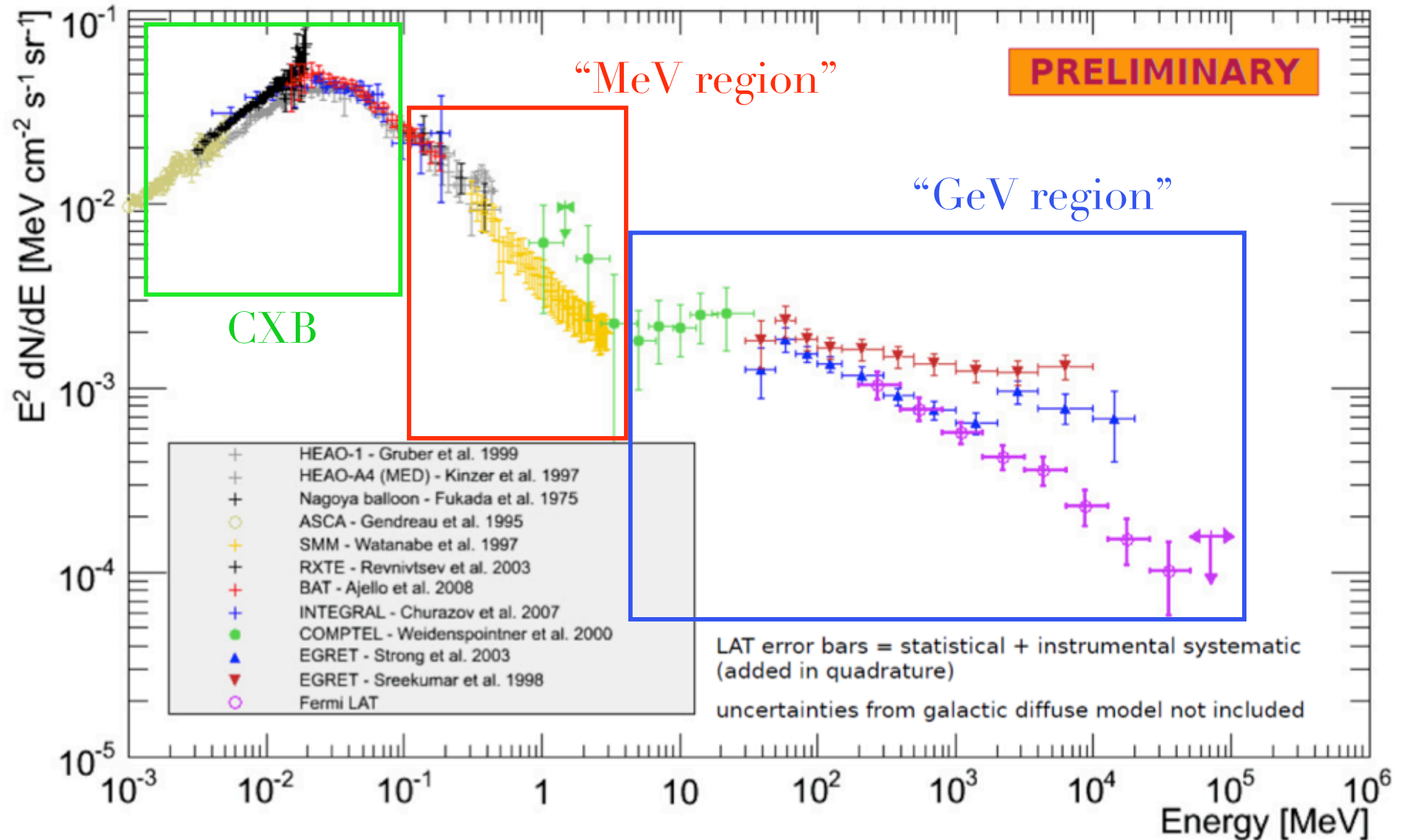
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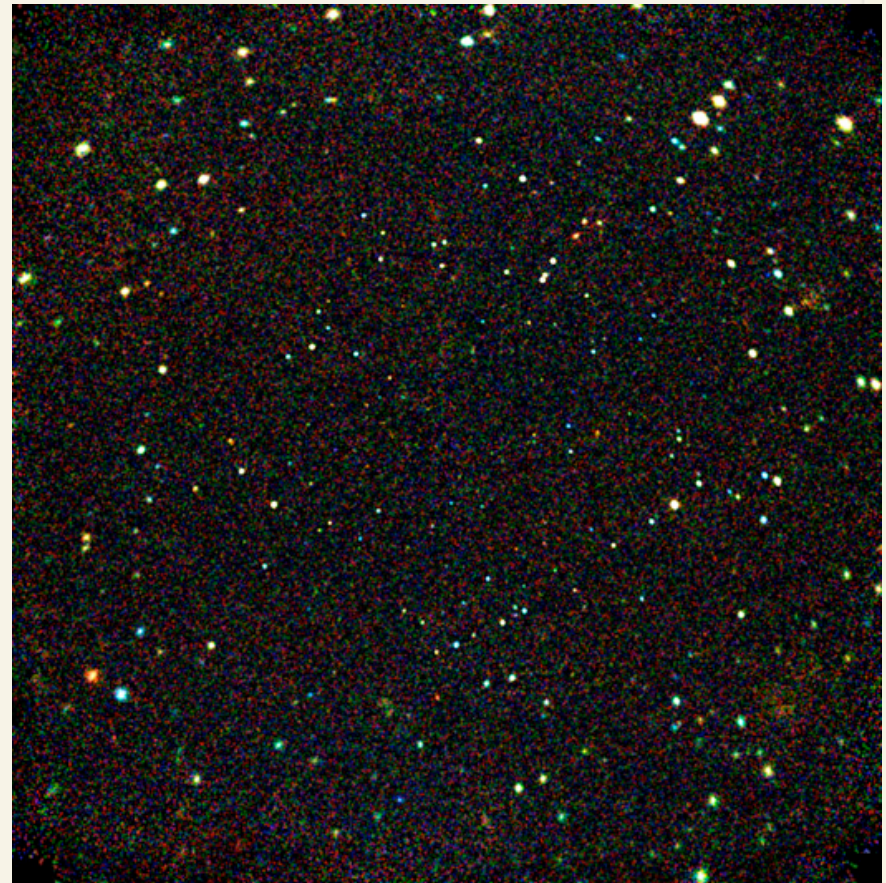
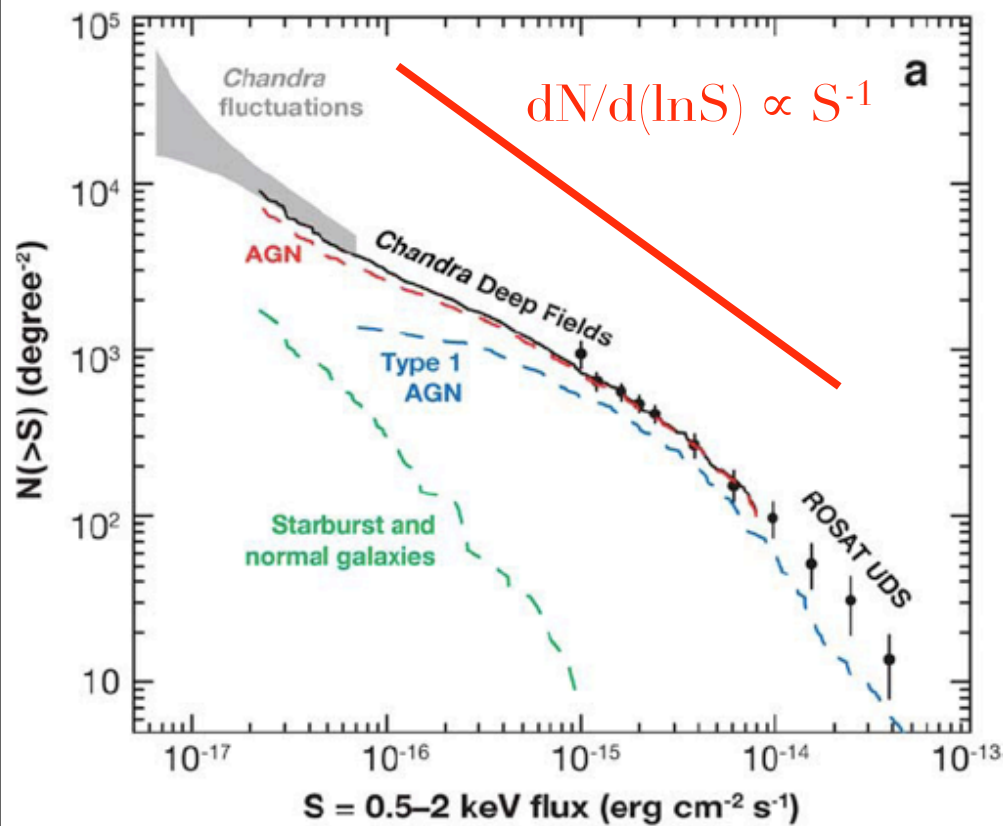
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Cosmic X-ray & gamma-ray background



Cosmic X-ray Background (CXB)



Chandra Deep Field

CXB already resolved into AGNs

Importance of EGRB Study

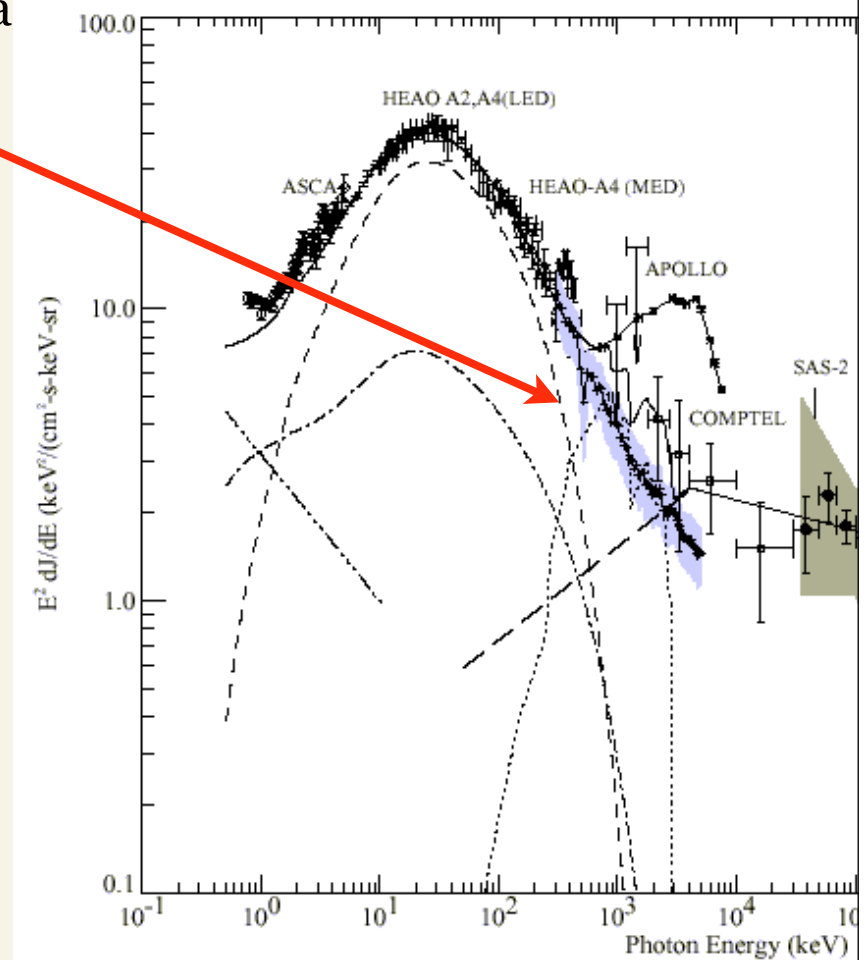
- ~ fossil record of the cosmic evolutionary history of contributing sources
 - ~ blazars / AGNs → accretion and jet activity history of supermassive black holes
 - ~ star-forming galaxies → cosmic-ray production and interaction with ISM
- ~ Potential contribution from exotic sources
 - ~ dark matter annihilation
 - ~ SUSY predicts a natural DM candidate “neutralinos” with a mass range of ~100 GeV - 10 TeV
 - ~ decay products in GeV band

Outline

- ~ Origin of the MeV-region background
 - ~ non-thermal tails of AGNs?
 - ~ “MeV blazars?”
 - ~ more!?
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 - ~ blazars
 - ~ star-forming galaxies
 - ~ more!?

The “Mystery” of MeV Background

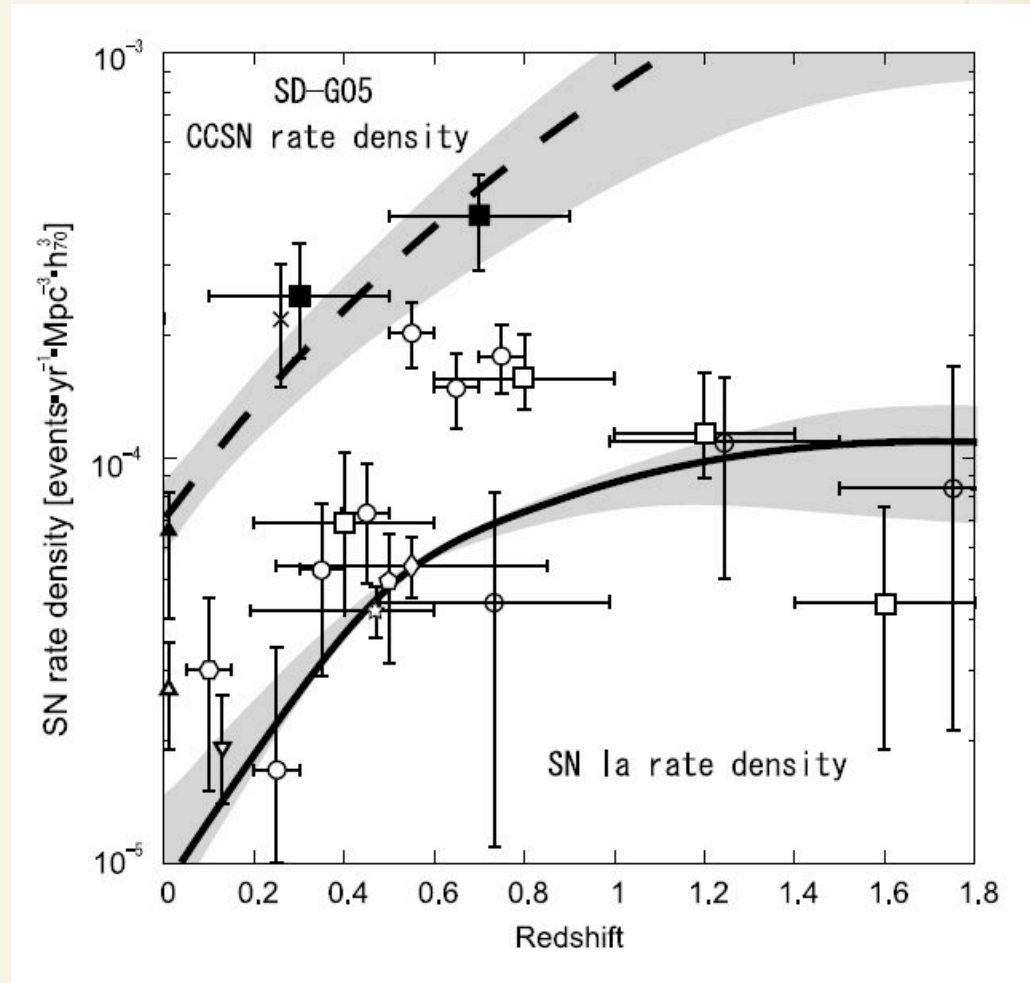
- ~ “conventional” model of AGN X-ray spectra predict cut-off at $\sim$ MeV
- ~ origin of MeV background?
 - ~ SN Ia? (rate not sufficient)
 - ~ Clayton & Ward ‘75; Zdziarski ‘96; Watanabe+’99
 - ~ MeV blazars?
 - ~ Ajello+’09
 - ~ MeV-mass dark matter annihilation!?
 - ~ Ahn+Komatsu ‘05a; Rasera+’06



Sreekumar+’98

Cosmic SN Rate Evolution

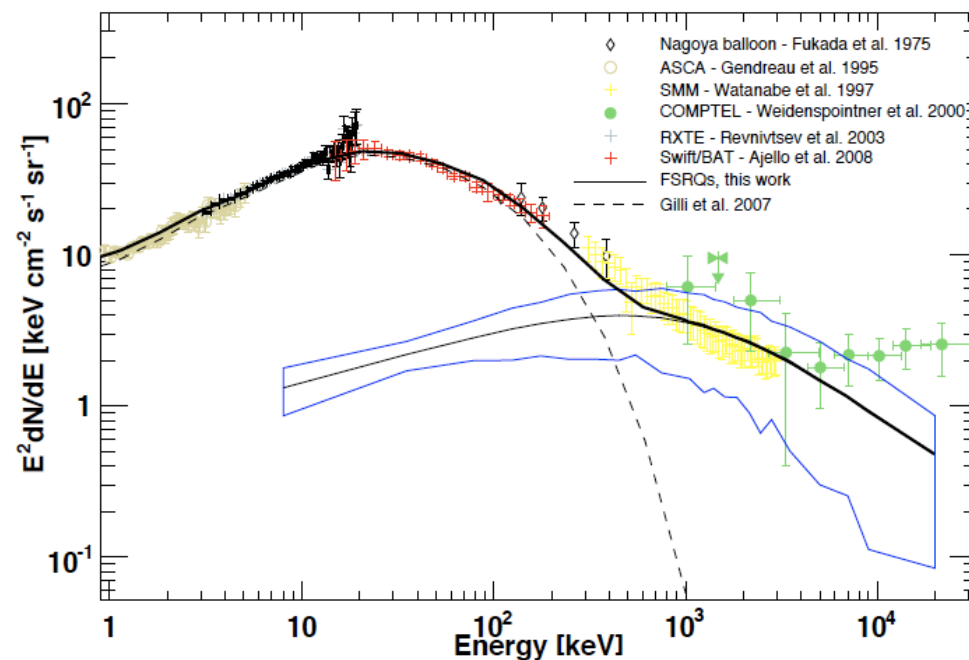
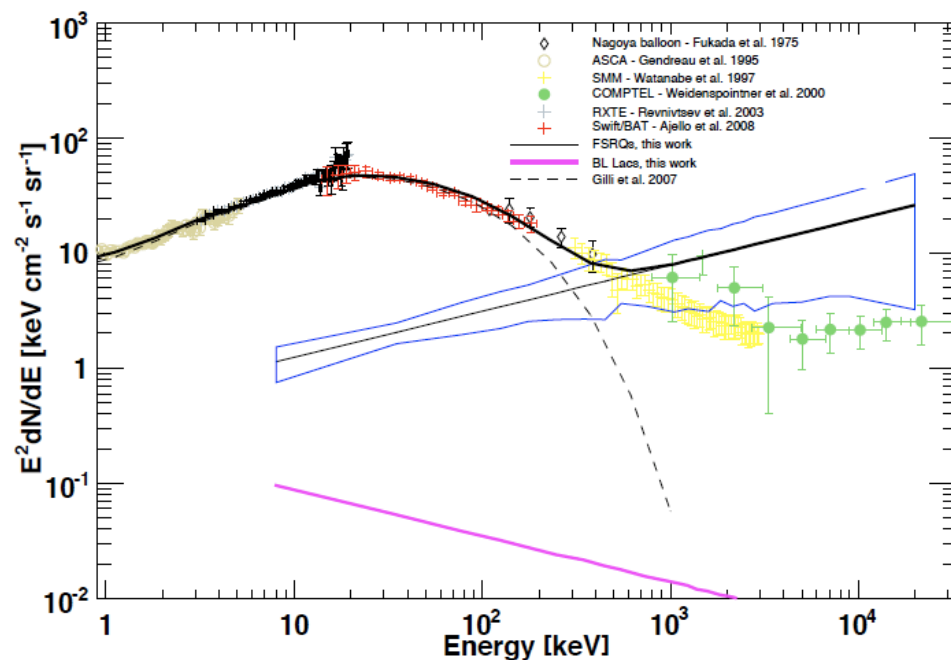
- ~ SN Ia rate evolution to $z \sim 1$ now well known
- ~ ~10 times short to explain MeV background from SNe Ia (Ahn+ '05; Strigari+ '05)



Oda+'08

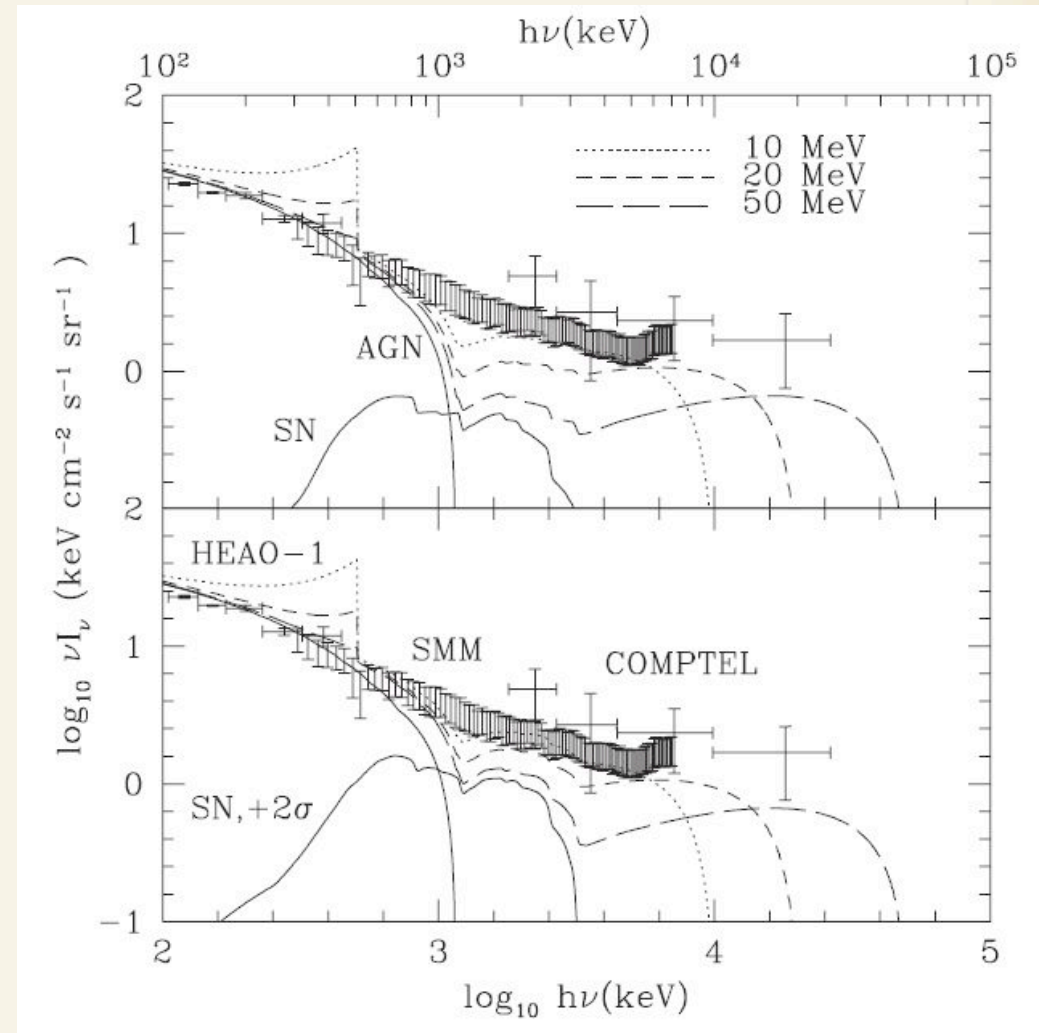
“MeV Blazars” and MeV background

- ~ blazars detected by Swift/BAT (10-55 keV) may significantly contribute to MeV background (Ajello+'09)
 - ~ 26 FSRQ and 12 BL Lacs
- ~ but depends on extrapolation from hard-X to MeV
- ~ sample not large enough to reconstruct cosmological evolution of LF
- ~ a fine-tuning required to reproduce a smooth power-law tail from CXB
- ~ must be distinct population from blazars found in GeV

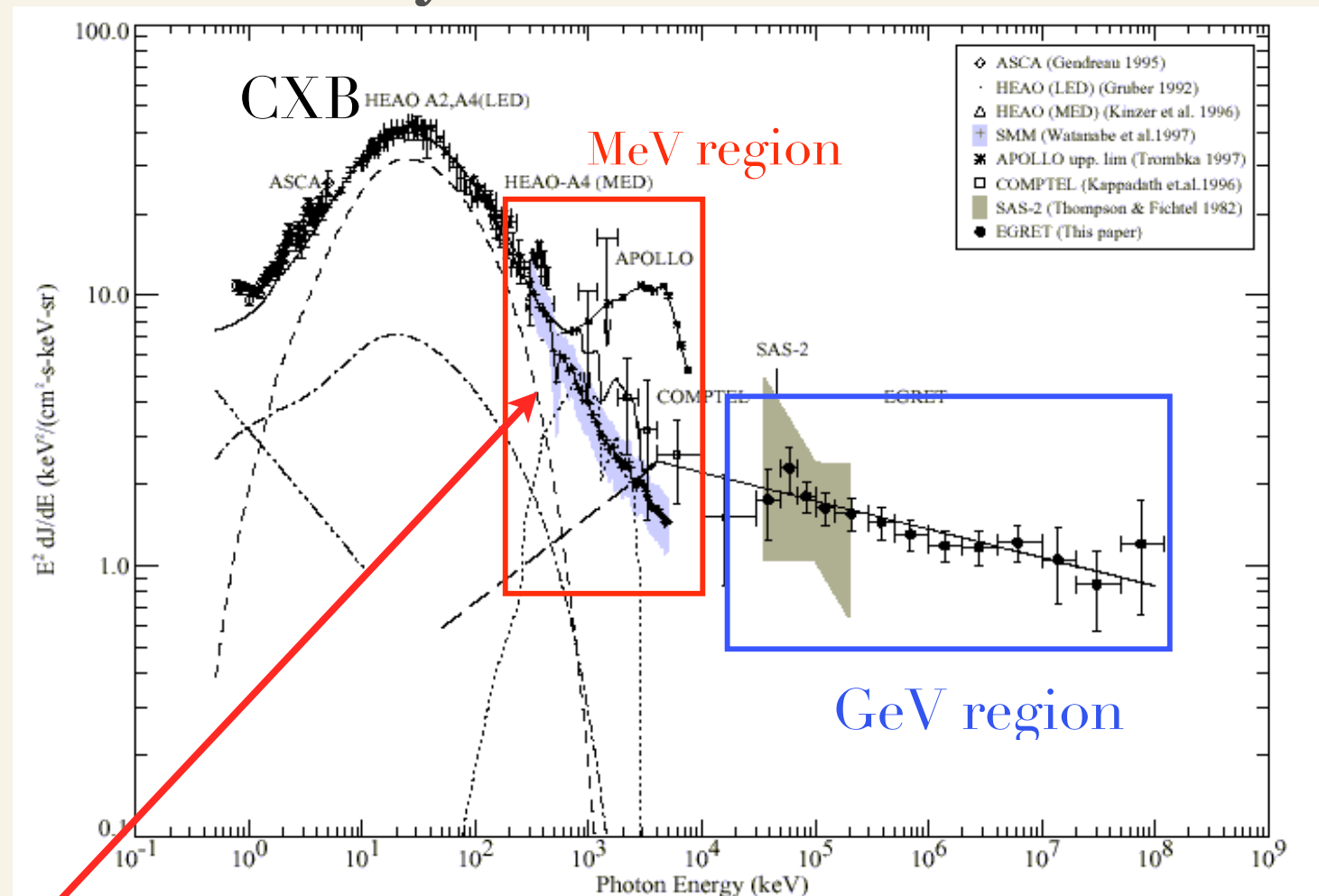


MeV Dark Matter?

- ~ annihilation to MeV gamma-rays
- ~ possible connection to the 511 keV emission from the Galactic Center
- ~ No natural particle candidate
- ~ the 511 keV emission may also be explained by astrophysical sources
 - ~ Sgr A*
 - ~ X-ray binaries

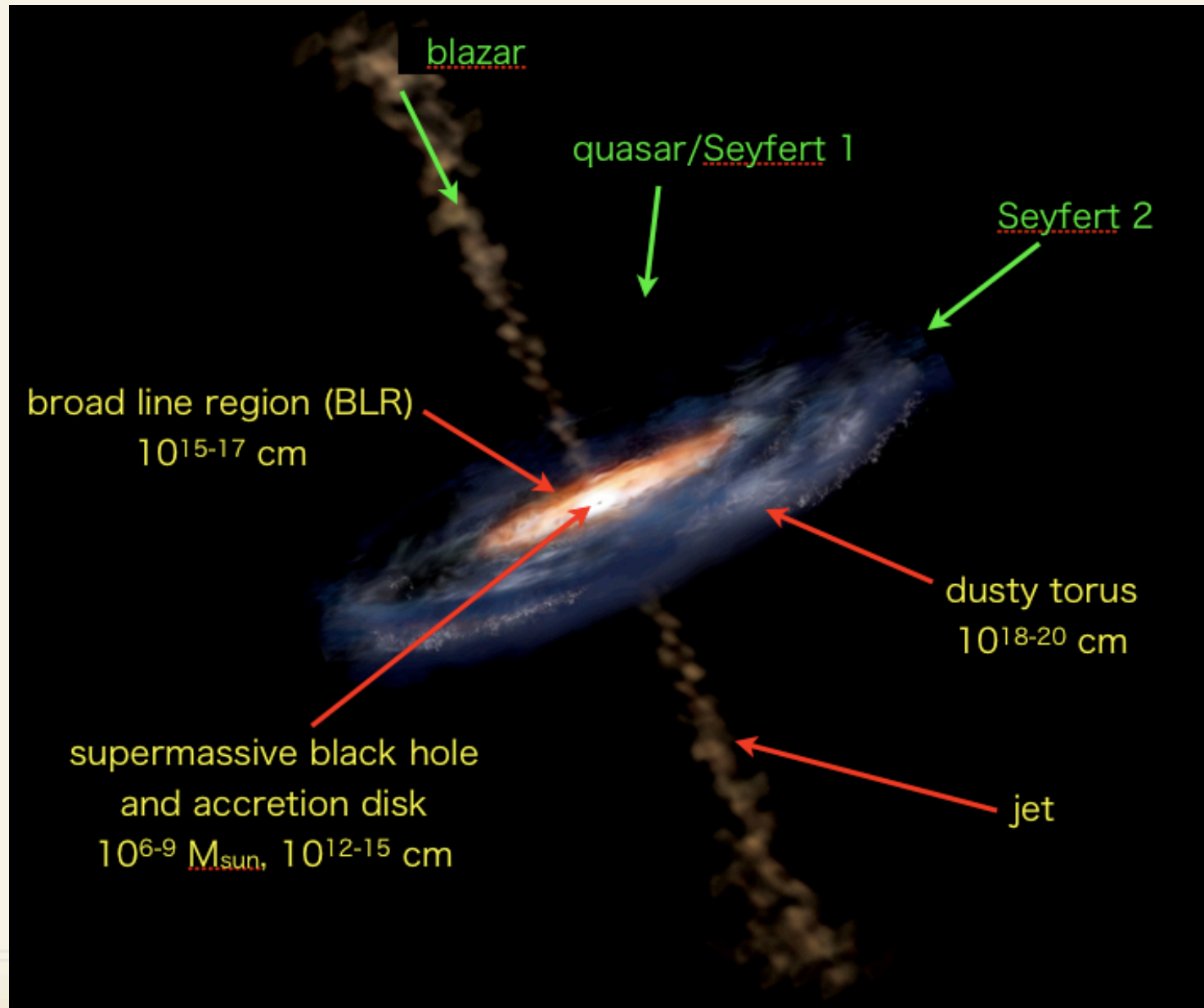


Why not normal AGNs!?



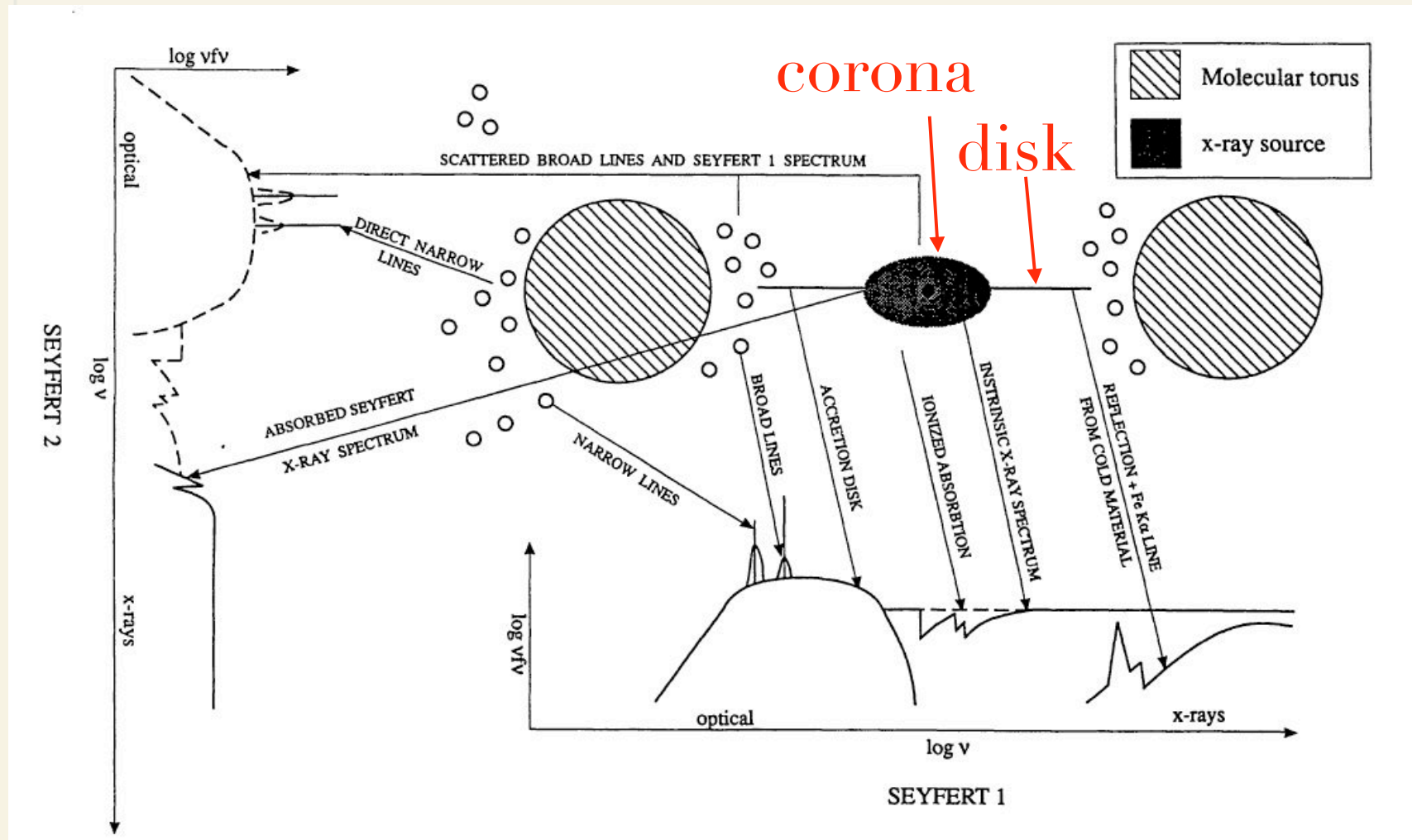
- ~ conventional AGN X-ray model predicts “exponential cut-off”
- ~ However, MeV component “smoothly” connects to CXB!

Active Galactic Nuclei



The Picture of AGN X-ray Spectra

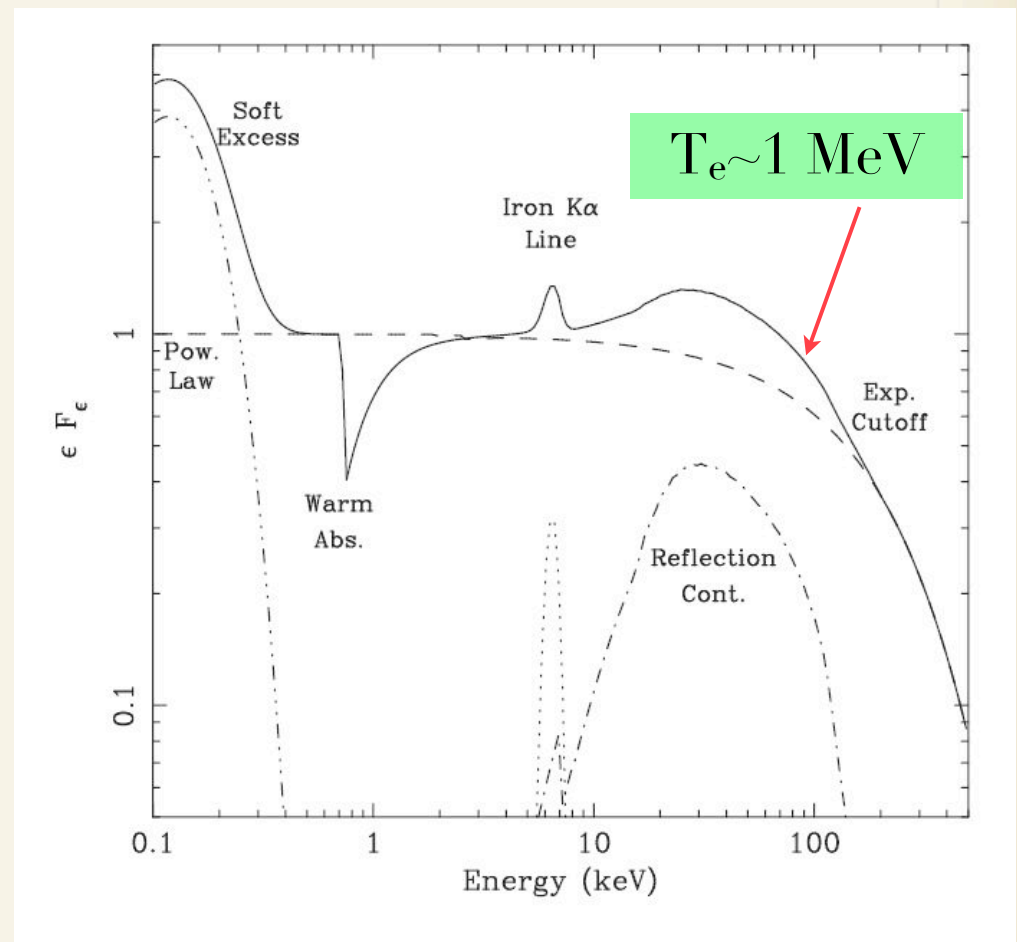
~ picture of normal X-ray AGNs (e.g., Seyferts)



Mushotzky et al. 1993

AGN X-ray Spectrum

- ~ X-rays are produced by Compton up-scatter of UV disk photons by hot electrons in corona
- ~ “the exponential cut-off” comes from “assumption” of thermal electron distribution in corona
- ~ what if a small amount of non-thermal electrons exist?



schematic AGN spectrum
Fabian 1998

MeV background by AGNs with nonthermal coronal electrons

- ~ Comptonization calculation by Inoue, TT, & Y. Ueda 2008, ApJ, 672, L5
- ~ Energy fraction 3.5%, $dN_e/dE_e \propto E_e^{-3.8}$ will explain MeV background
- ~ consistent with MeV upper limits on nearby AGNs

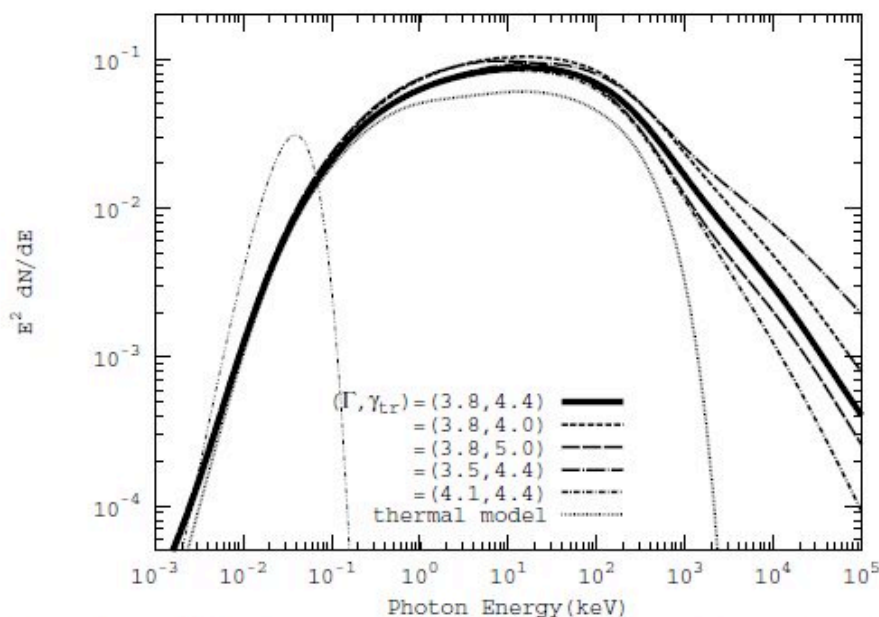


FIG. 1.— The AGN spectrum ray bands calculated by our model. The figure shows the flux of $E^2 dN/dE$, where dN/dE is a differential photon spectrum. They are Comptonization of UV seed photons without taking into account the reflection component and the absorption effect. The thick solid curve is our standard spectrum with $\Gamma = 3.8$ and $\gamma_{tr} = 4.4$. The other thick curves are for the cases of different model parameters as indicated in the figure. The thick dotted curve is the spectrum only with the thermal component ($kT_e = 256$ keV). The thin dotted curve is the input UV spectrum (a black body with $T_d = 10$ eV).

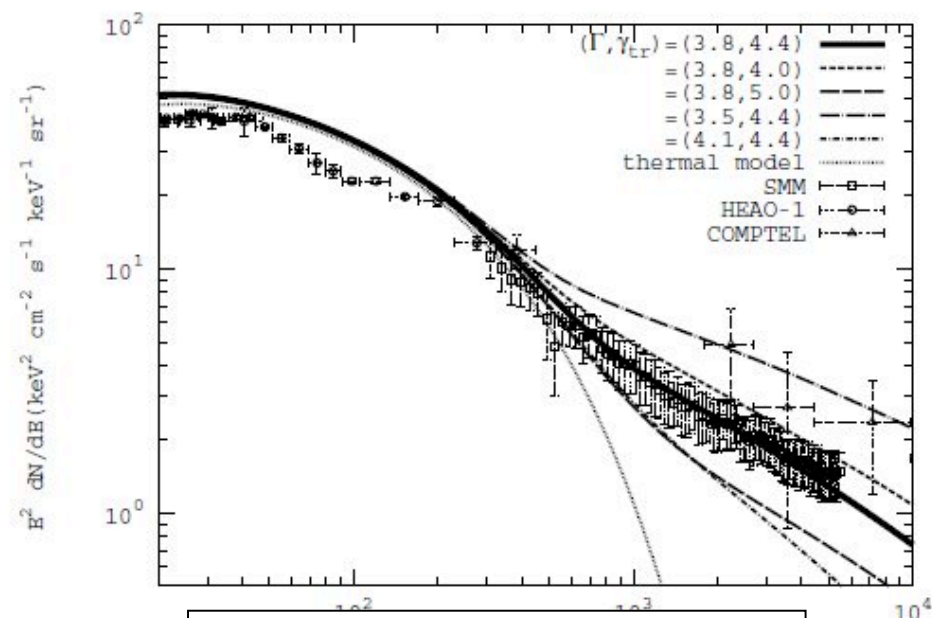
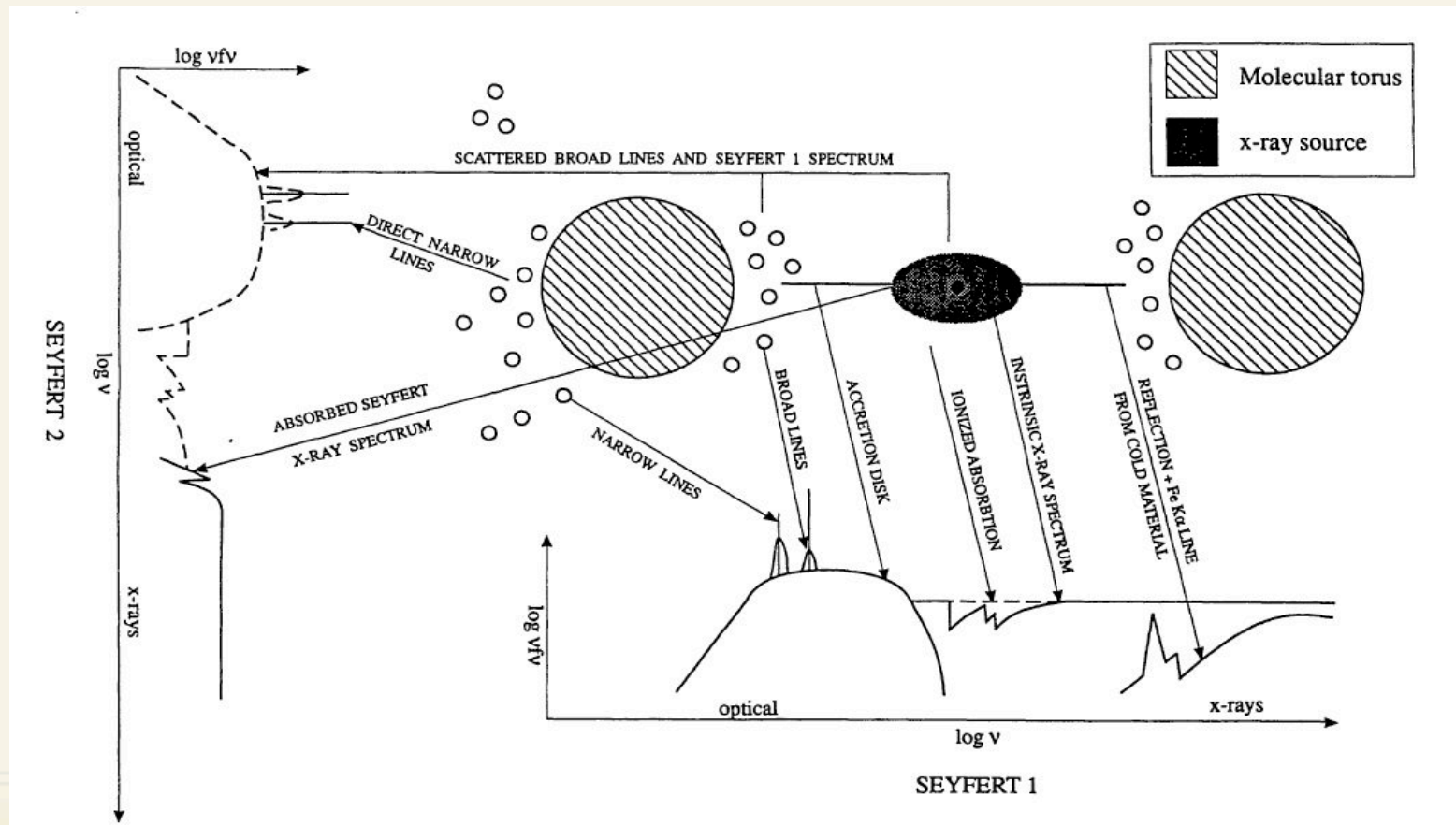


FIG. 2.— The background spectrum X-ray and gamma-ray bands, predicted by our model of AGN spectra shown in Fig. 1. For each line-marking, the corresponding AGN spectrum in Fig. 1 is used for the calculation. The data points of HEAO-1 (Gruber et al. 1999) SMM (Watanabe et al. 1999), and COMPTEL (Kappadath et al. 1996) experiments are also shown.

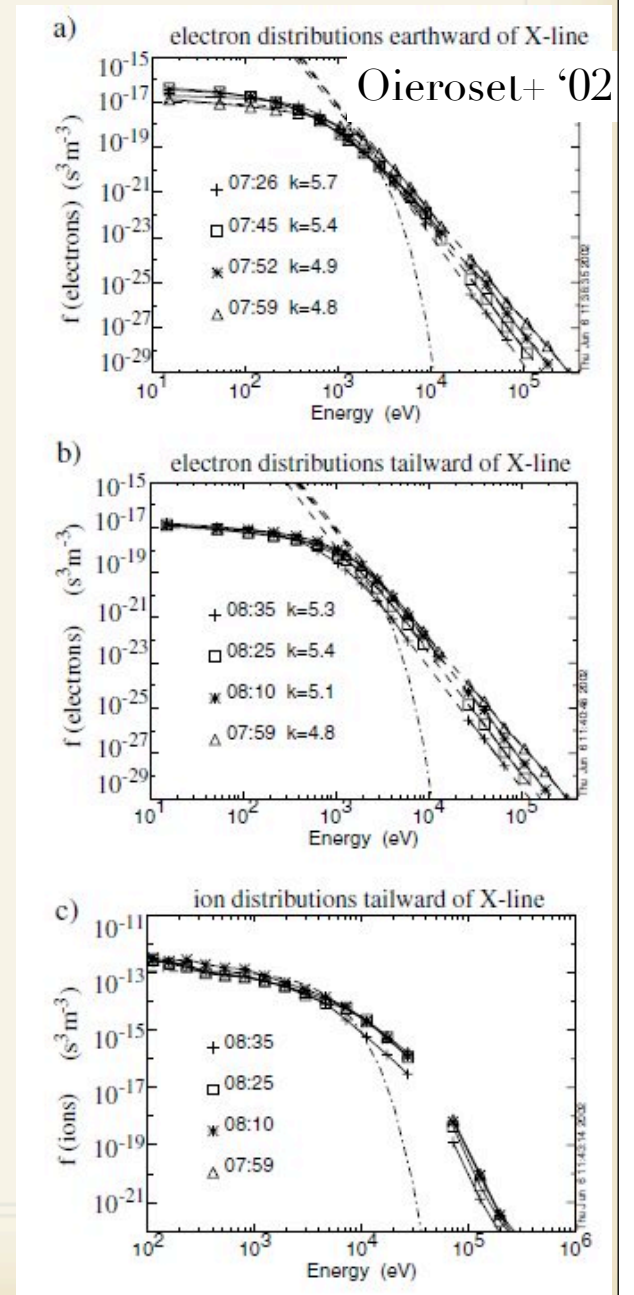
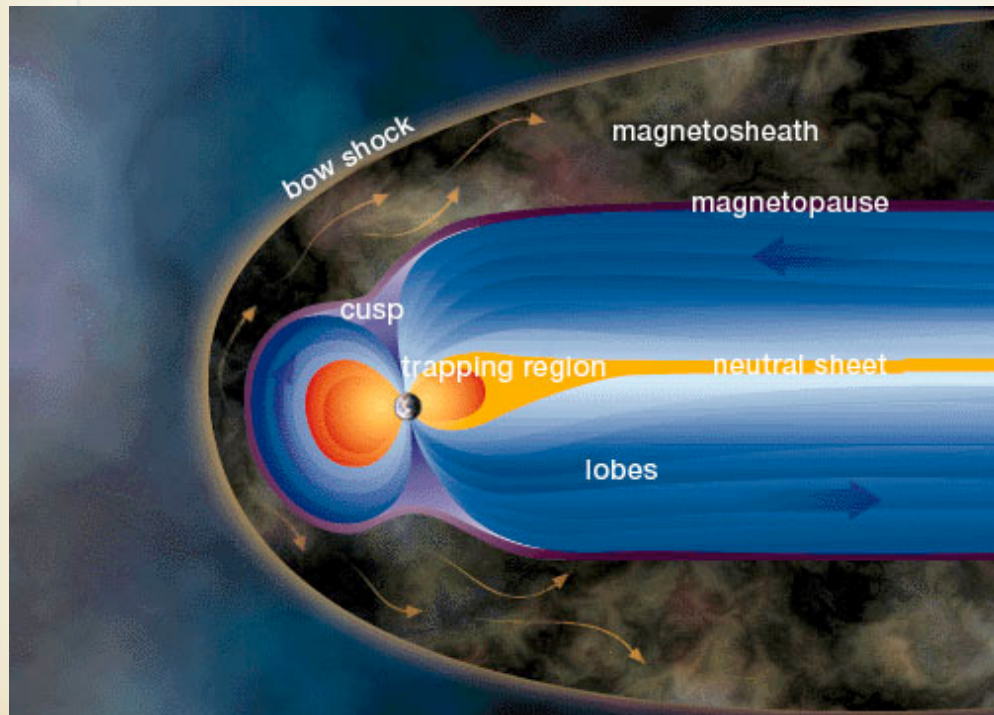
the Origin of Non-thermal Electrons in Hot Coronae in AGNs?

- ~ The heat source of corona is still an open question
 - ~ A popular scenario: magnetic reconnections (e.g. Liu+'02)
 - ~ non-thermal particles are accelerated in reconnections!



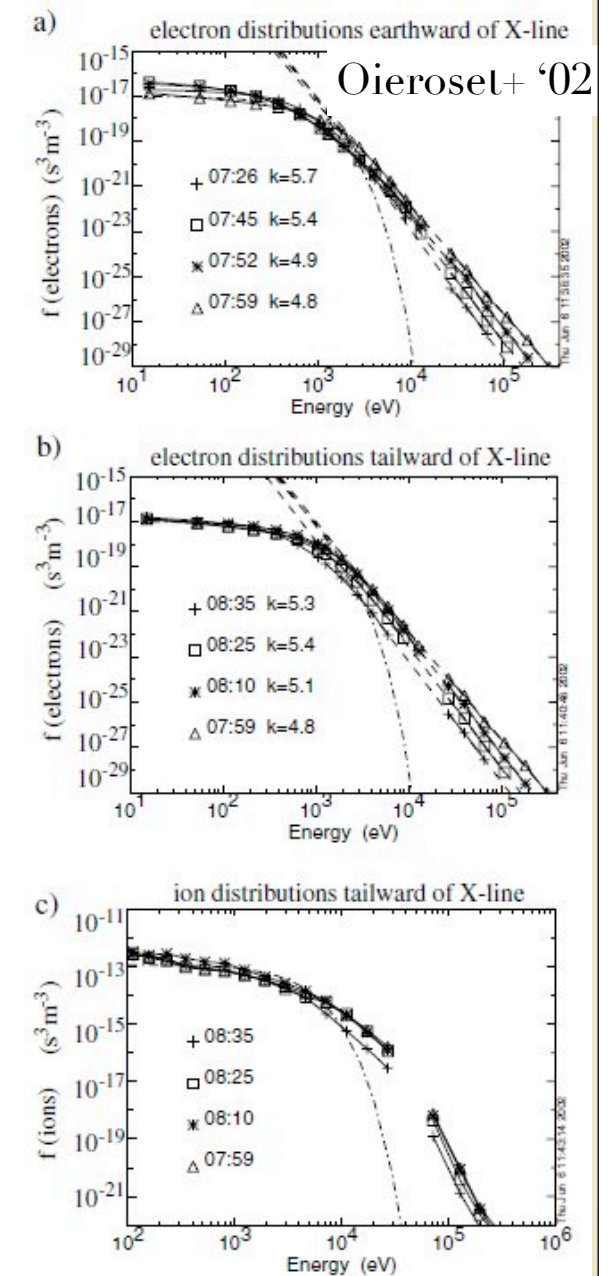
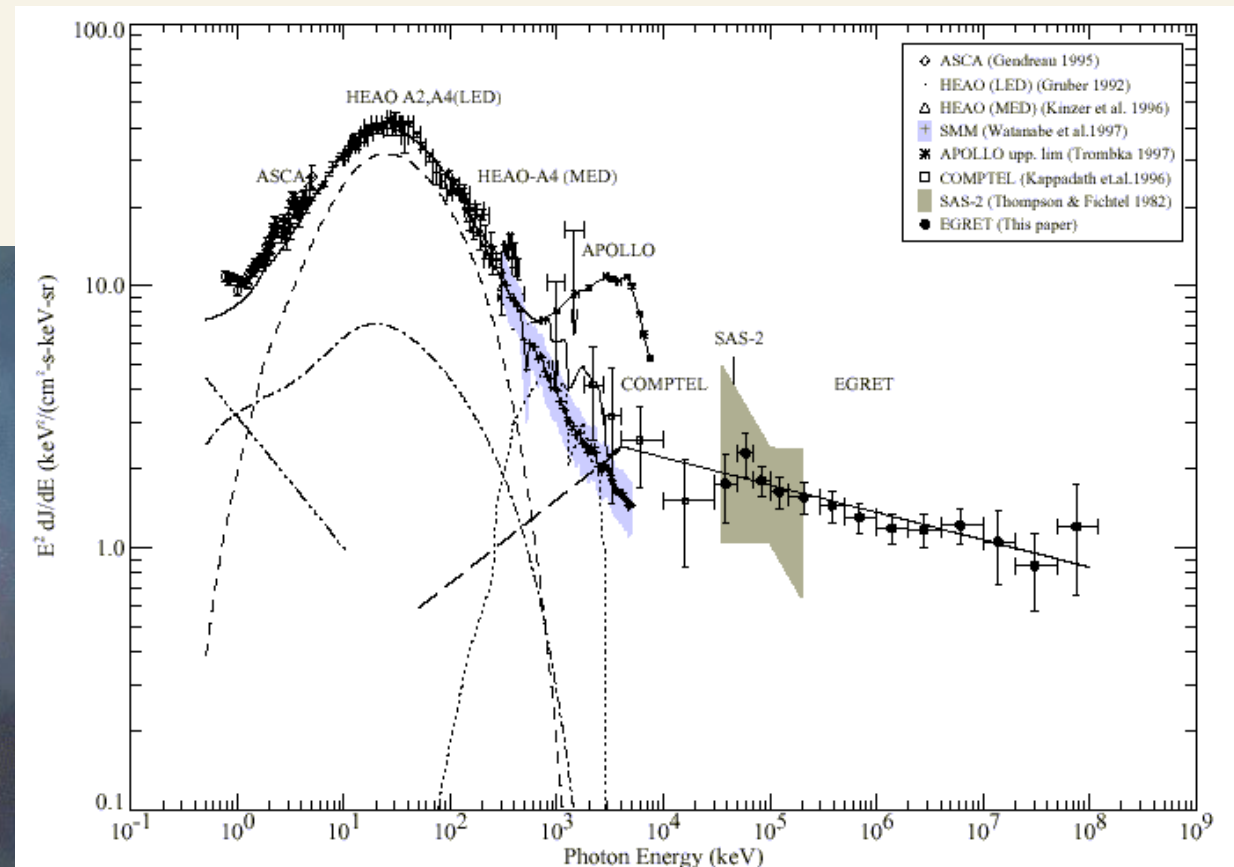
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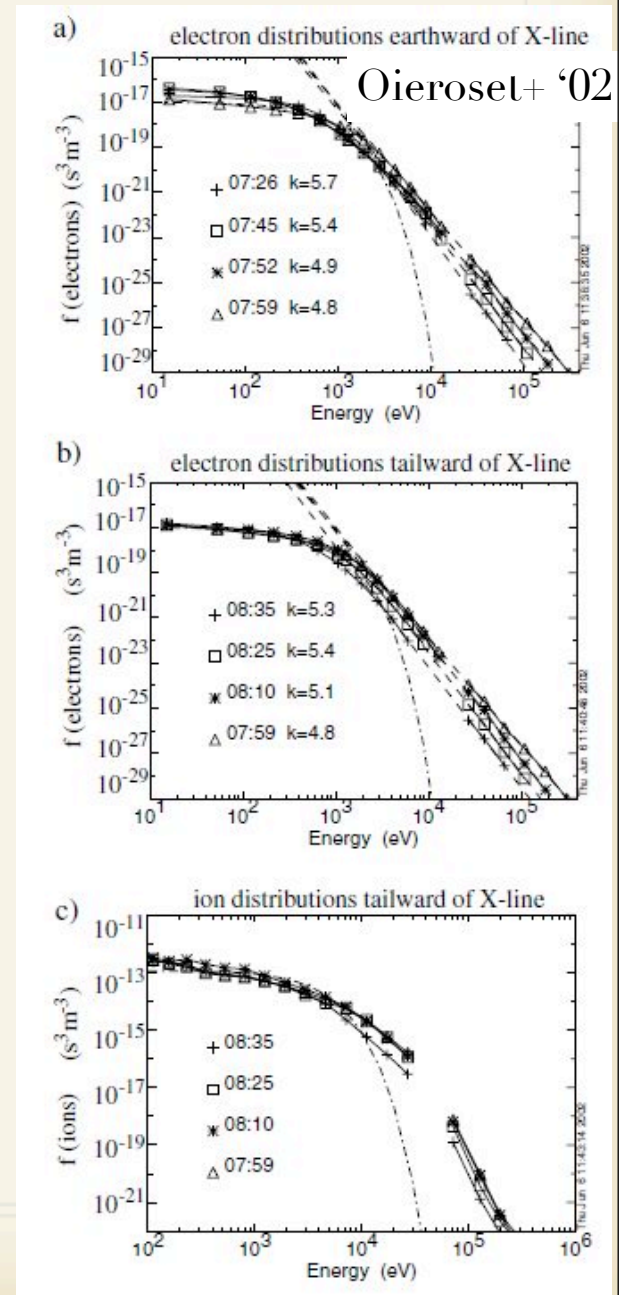
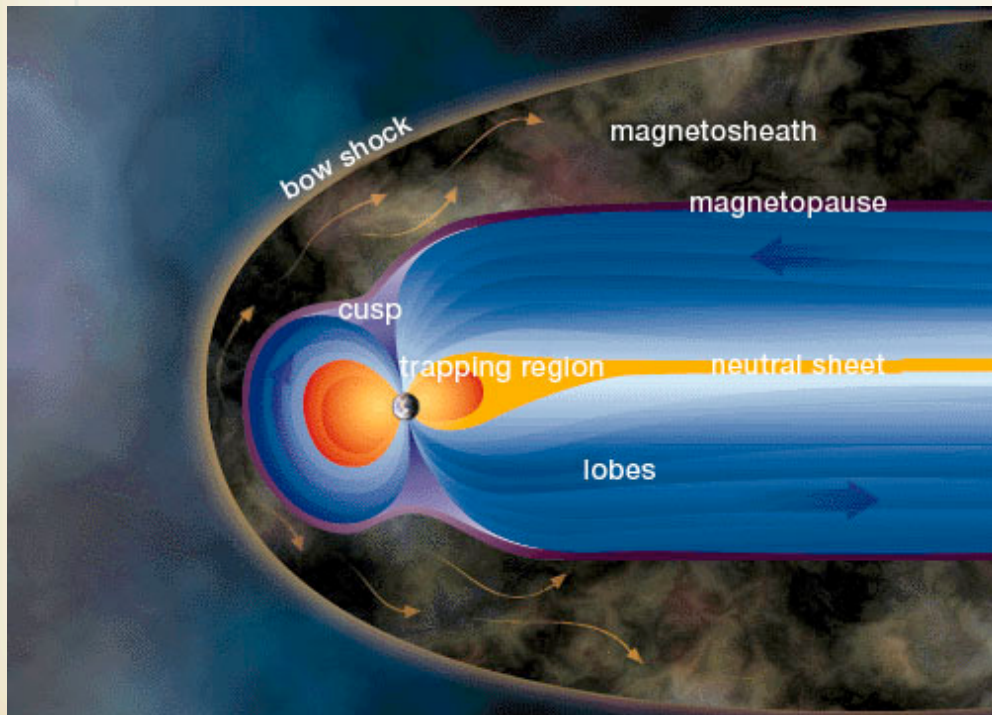
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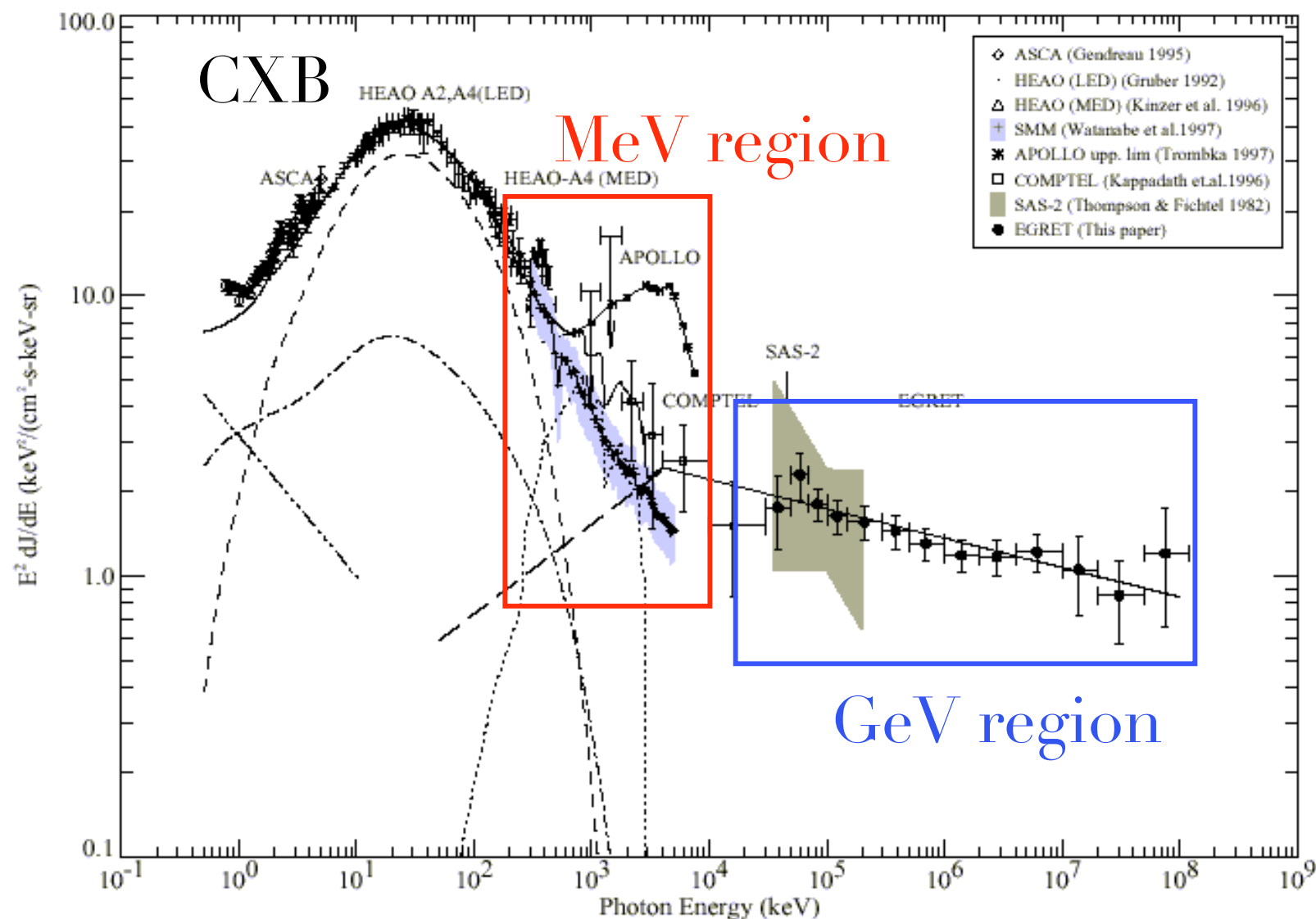
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MeV background: Summary

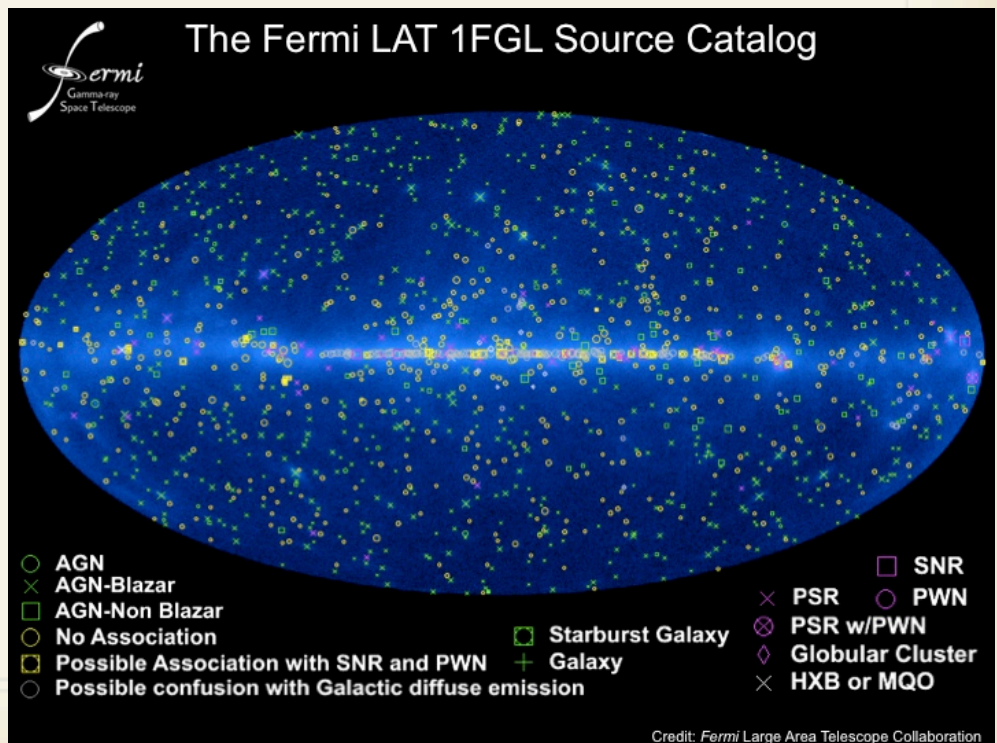
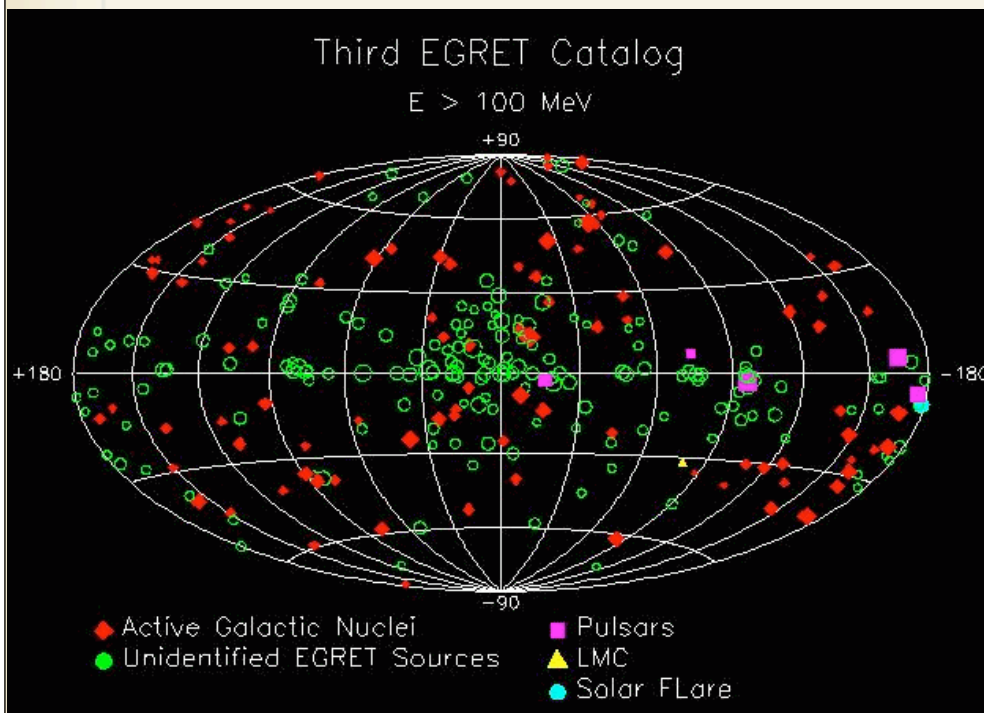
- ~ The “theoretically best” explanation is “non-thermal tail” from normal AGNs
 - ~ smooth power-law connection to CXB
 - ~ non-thermal electrons naturally expected in AGN coronae
 - ~ not confirmed by observation yet
- ~ Possibilities of the contribution from completely different sources
 - ~ SN Ia: too small rate from recent observations
 - ~ MeV blazars: may have significant contribution suggested by Swift data
 - ~ MeV dark matter: no good theoretical motivation for MeV DM
- ~ We need deeper observations in MeV!

Origin of the GeV background

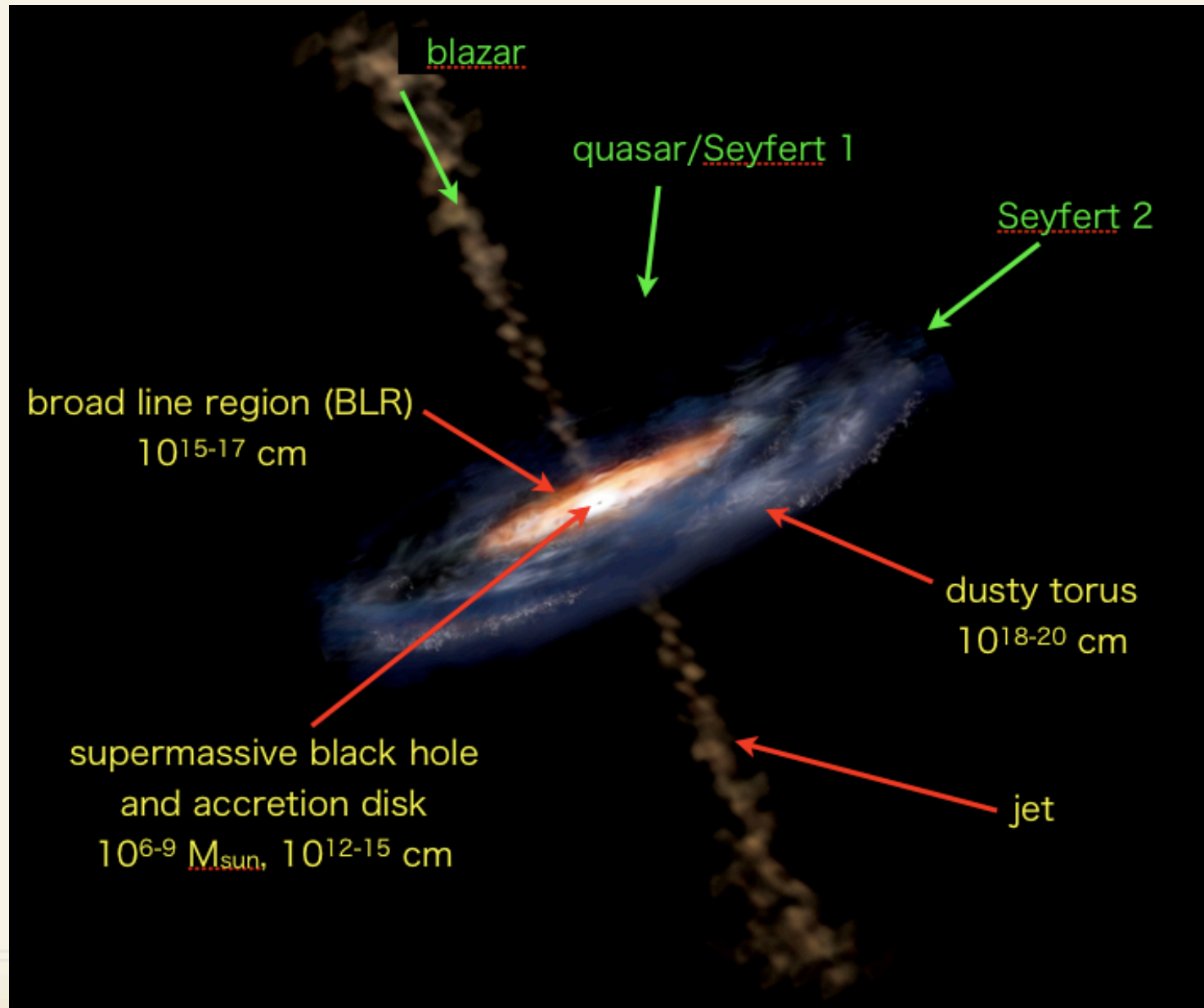


the primary candidate: blazars

- ~ The majority of extragalactic GeV sources are blazars
- ~ Blazars:
 - ~ flat spectrum radio quasars (FSRQ) (in high luminosity regime)
 - ~ BL lac objects (in low luminosity regime)



blazars



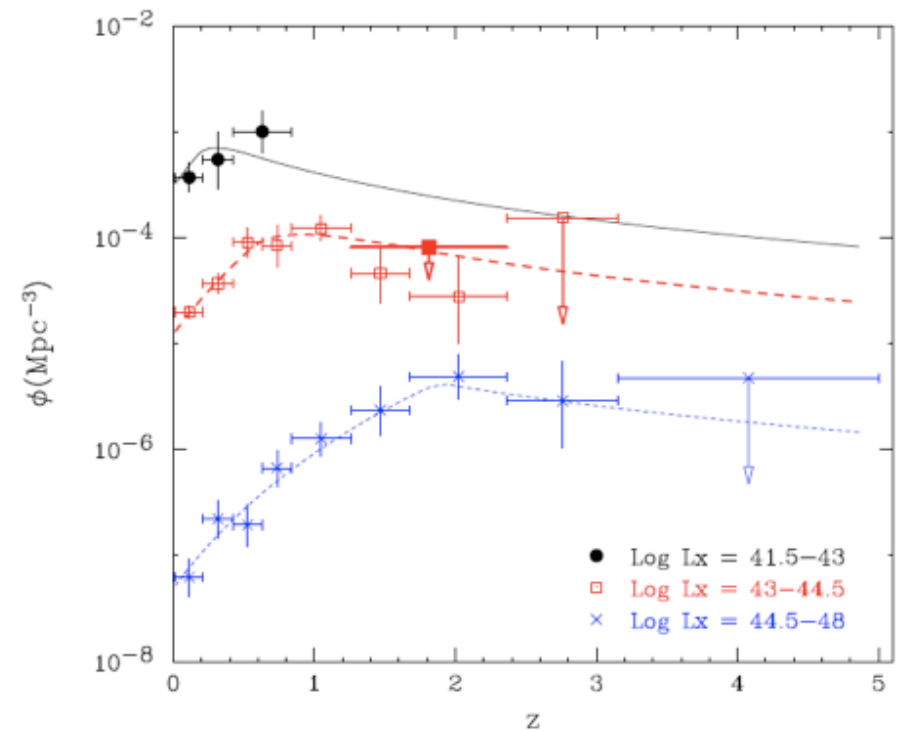
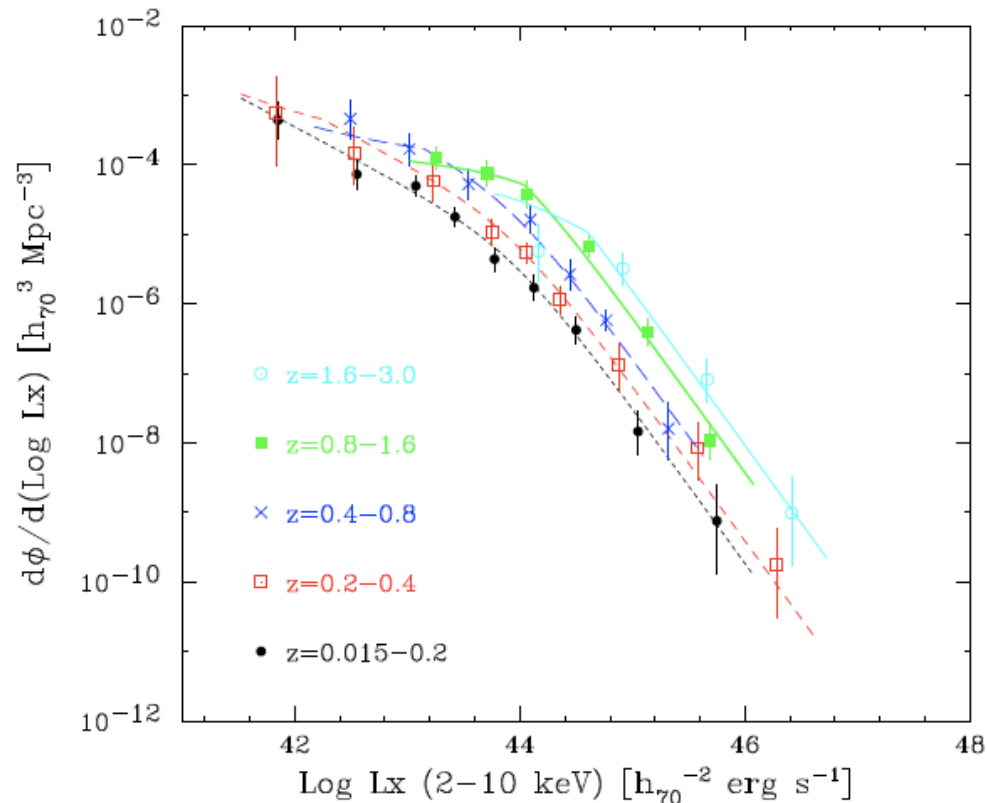
GeV background from Blazars

Padovani+'93; Stecker & Salamon '96; Chiang & Mukherjee '98; Mücke & Pohl '00;
Narumoto & Totani '06; Giommi et al. '06; Dermer '07; Pavlidou & Venters '08; Kneiske &
Mannheim '08; Inoue & Totani '09

- ~ The basic scheme:
 - ~ luminosity function (LF) evolution model (X, radio, etc.)
 - ~ fitting to EGRET blazar distribution (flux & redshift)
 - ~ spectral modeling of blazars
 - ~ (power-law, SED sequence, theoretical model, ...)
- ~ The latest model by Inoue+TT '09 (ApJ, 702, 503)
 - ~ “LDDE” LF evolution based on X-ray surveys of AGNs
 - ~ the SED sequence for blazar spectra
 - ~ careful fitting to the EGRET data by likelihood analysis
 - ~ likelihood analysis including radio counterpart detection probability

AGN Luminosity Function (LF) Evolution

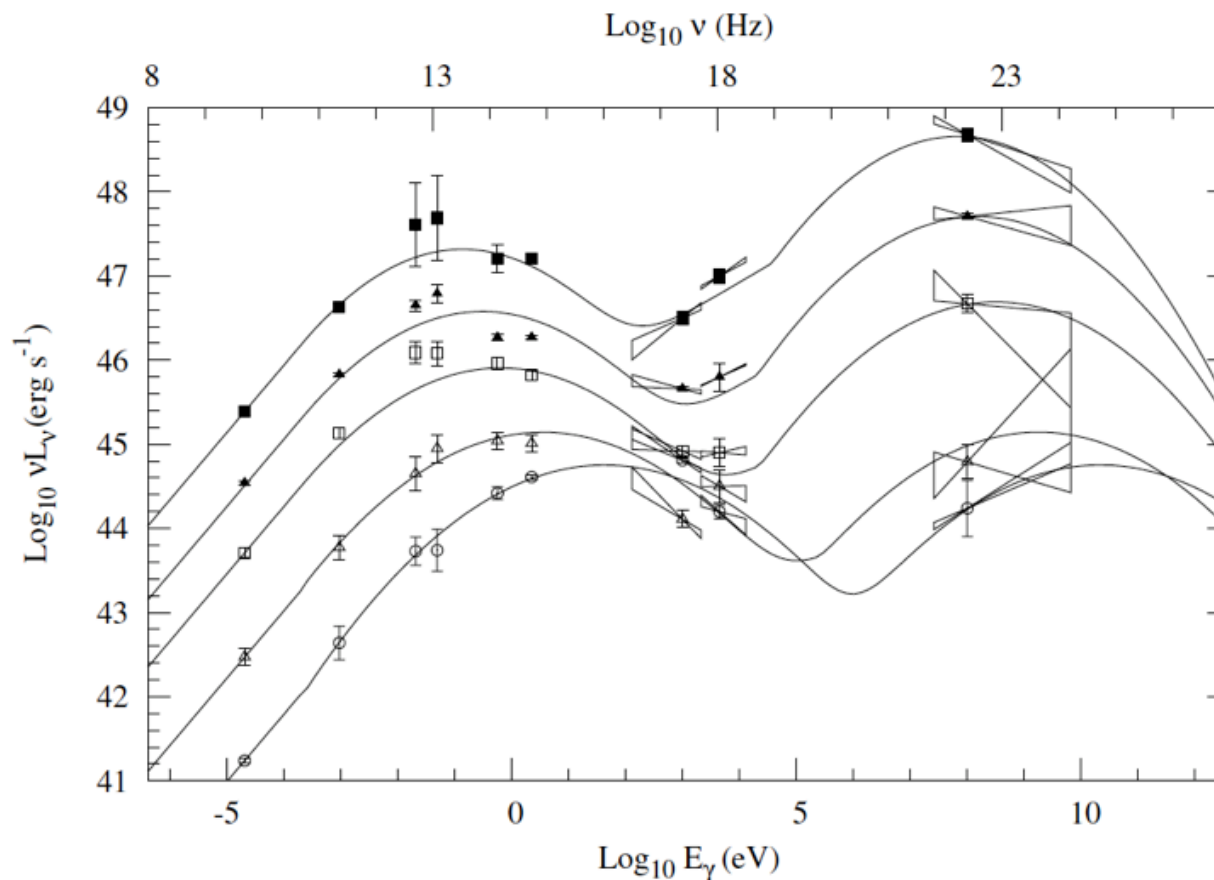
- ~ LDDE (Luminosity Dependent Density Evolution)
- ~ good fit to X-ray AGNs to $z \sim 3$
- ~ assume $L_X \propto L_\gamma$ for blazar-AGN connection



Ueda+'03

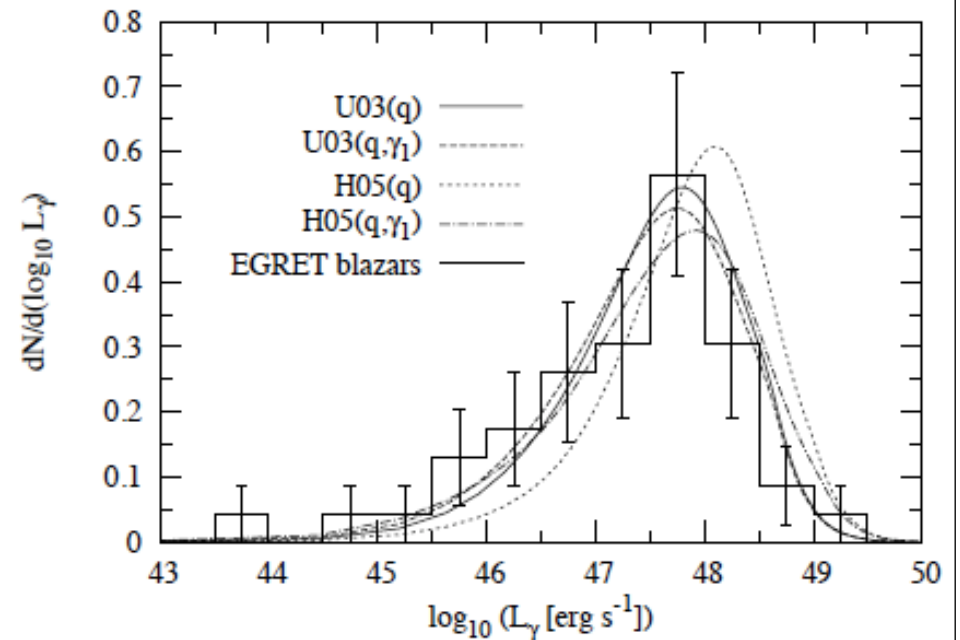
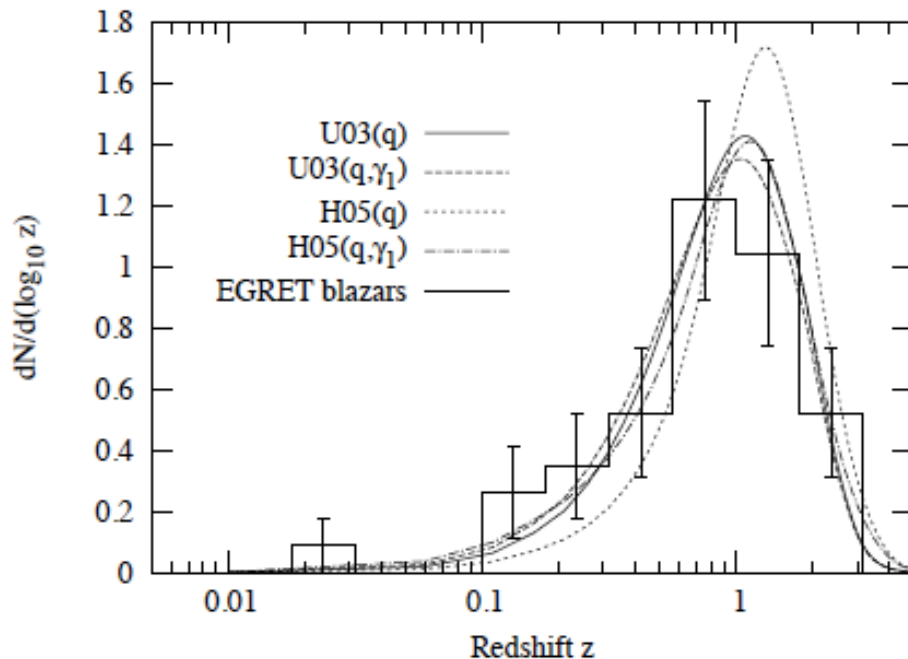
blazar spectral energy distribution (SED)

- ~ two broad peak by synchrotron and inverse-Compton by non-thermal electrons
- ~ the SED sequence (high peak frequency for lower luminosity)
 - ~ Fossati+'97, Donato+'01



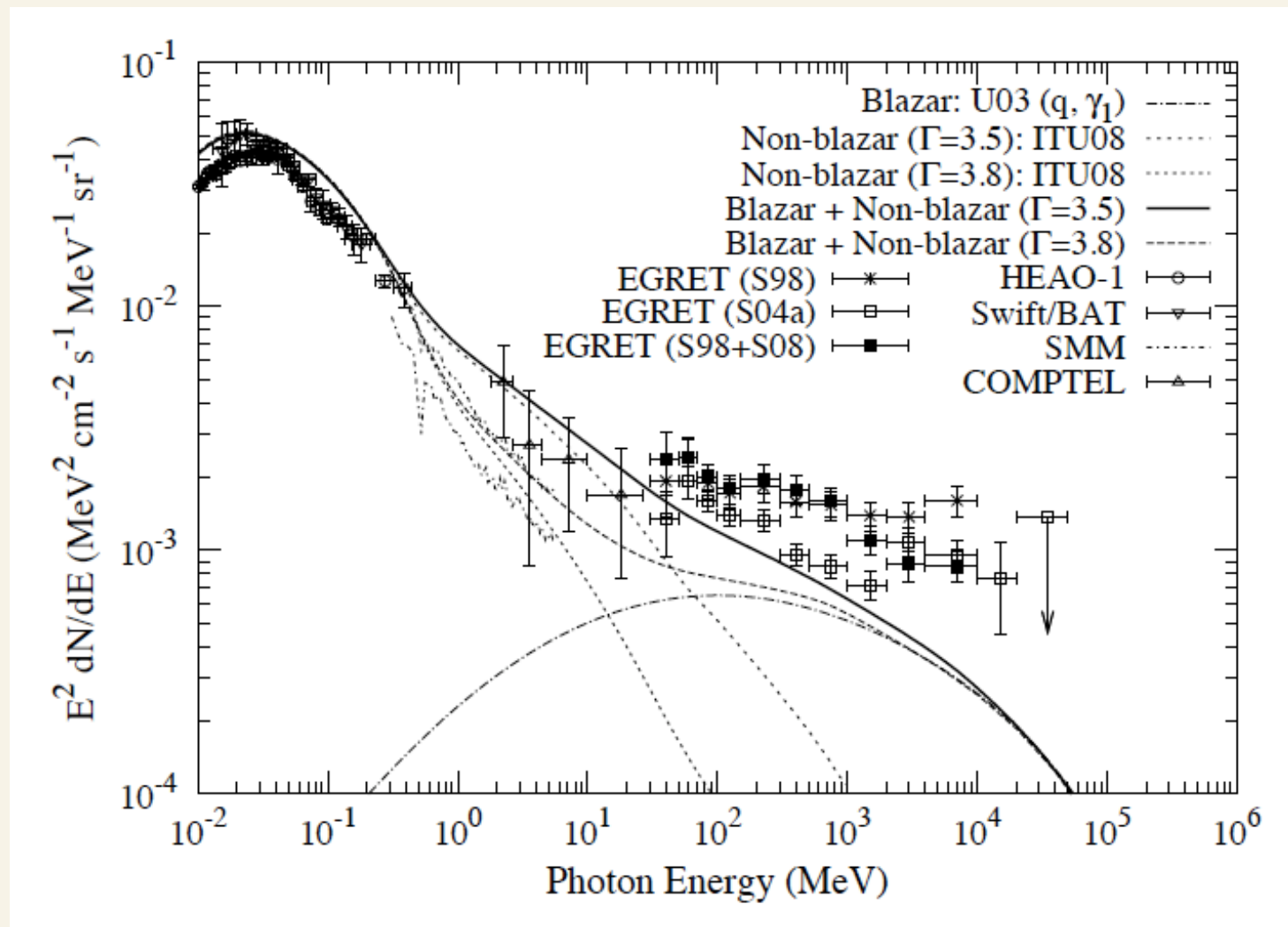
Fit to EGRET blazars

- ~ Two basic parameters:
 - ~ constant between luminosity L_X and L_γ
 - ~ constant between number n_X and n_γ (beaming)
- ~ good fit to 46 EGRET blazars up to $z \sim 3$ (cosmologically significant!)
- ~ LDDE better fits than “pure luminosity evolution” model
- ~ not large uncertainty about evolution



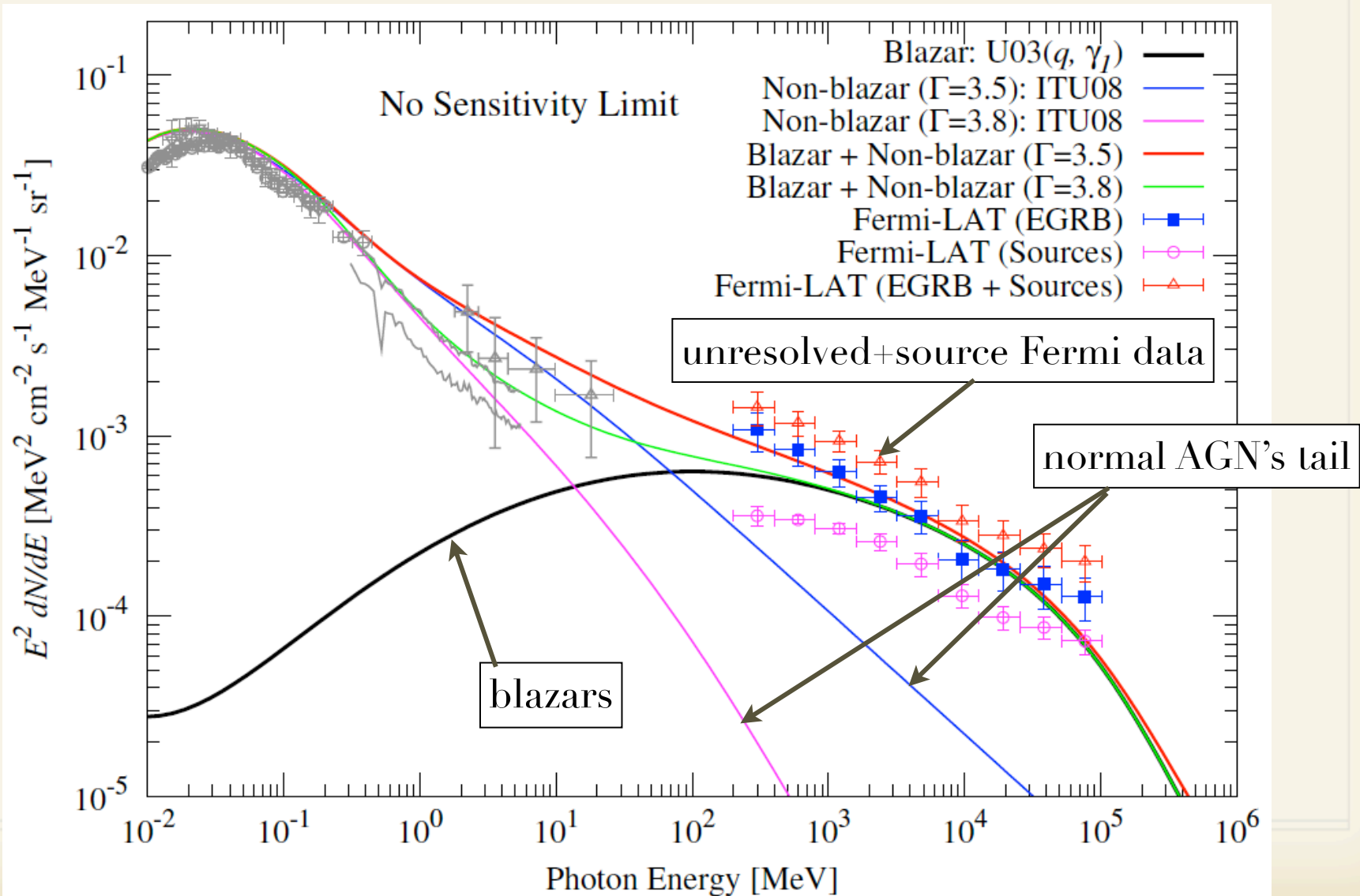
Prediction of Gamma-Ray Background

~ prediction before the Fermi data came out



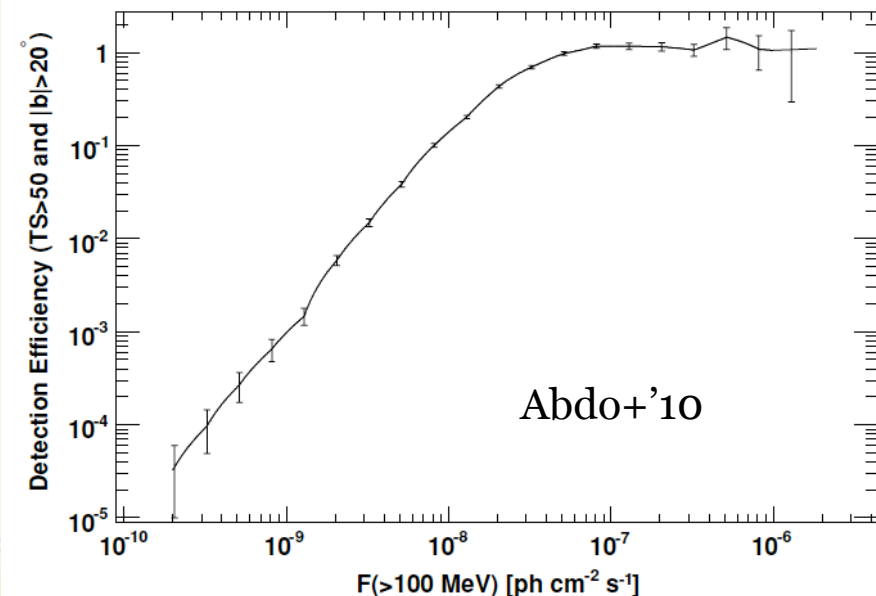
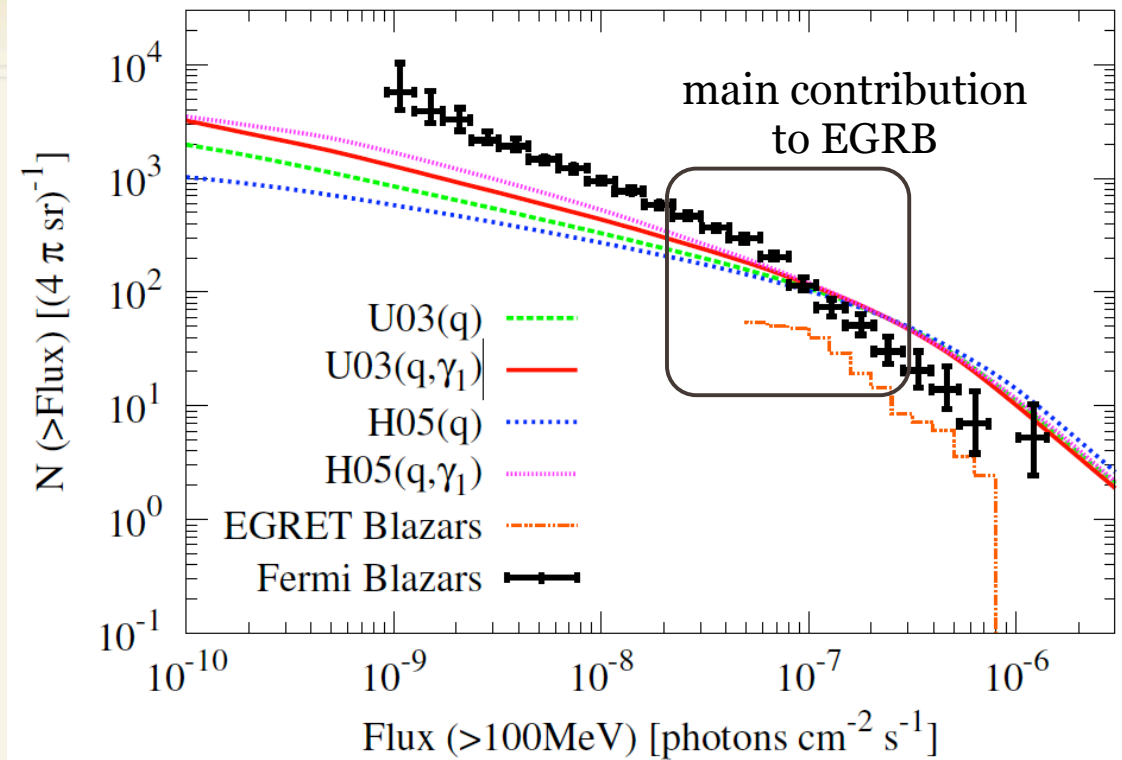
Comparison with the Fermi Data

- ~ model curves are for total EGRB including all sources in the universe
- ~ should be compared with “unresolved+source” Fermi data



Source Counts

- ~ model overestimates at bright end:
- ~ model uncertainty?
- ~ small number statistics?
- ~ cosmic variance/large scale structure?
- ~ model underestimates at the faint end
 - ~ model uncertainty?
 - ~ detection efficiency uncertainty?
- ~ break of logN-logF
 - ~ rough agreement at 10^{-7} ph/cm²/s
 - ~ main contributor to EGRB
 - ~ blazar EGRB mostly resolved
 - ~ great success beyond EGRET

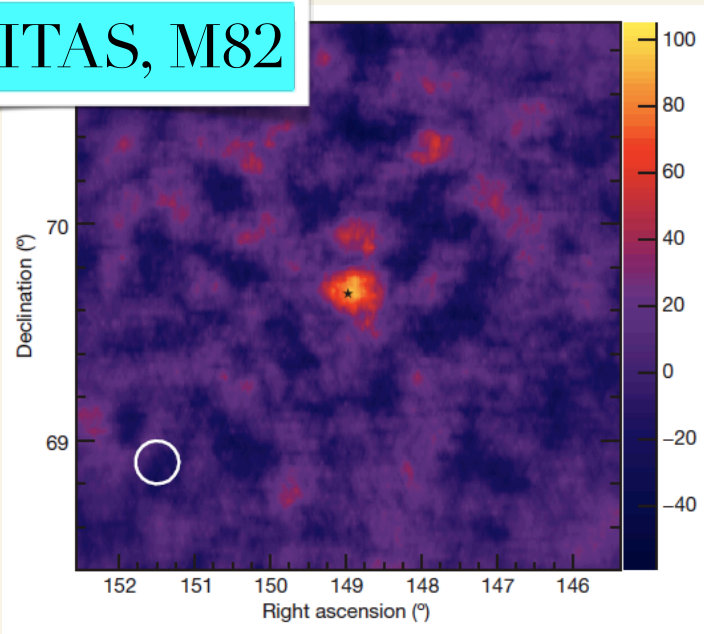


Blazars and EGRB in the Fermi Era

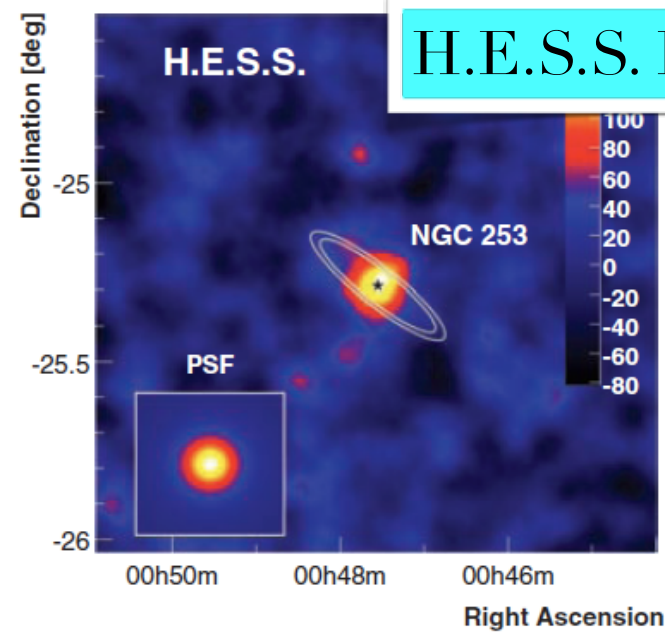
- ~ Rough agreement between the model blazar LF and observation
 - ~ good agreement in EGRB spectra and source counts around logN-logF break
 - ~ the AGN unification scheme (blazar=jet of AGNs) and the blazar SED sequence paradigm consistent with observations
- ~ fraction of all blazar (resolved+unresolved) in the total Fermi EGRB (resolved + unresolved) in terms of photon flux > 100 MeV
 - ~ Fermi data estimate for blazars: $\sim 43\%$ (Abdo+'10)
 - ~ 22.5% in “unresolved” EGRB flux (when logN-logS extrapolated to zero flux)
 - ~ IT'09 prediction for blazars: $\sim 45\%$
 - ~ Both Fermi data and model indicate the blazar component has been resolved
- ~ How about the remaining component!?

Gamma-rays from Star-forming Galaxies

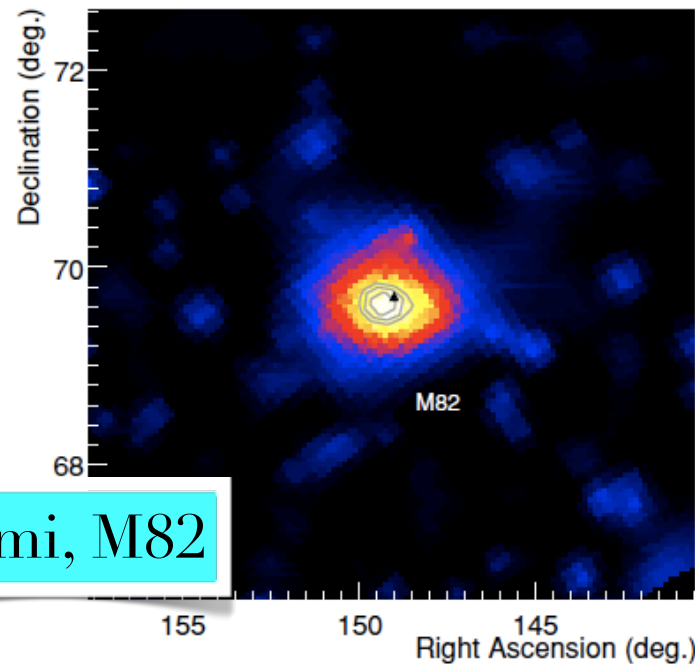
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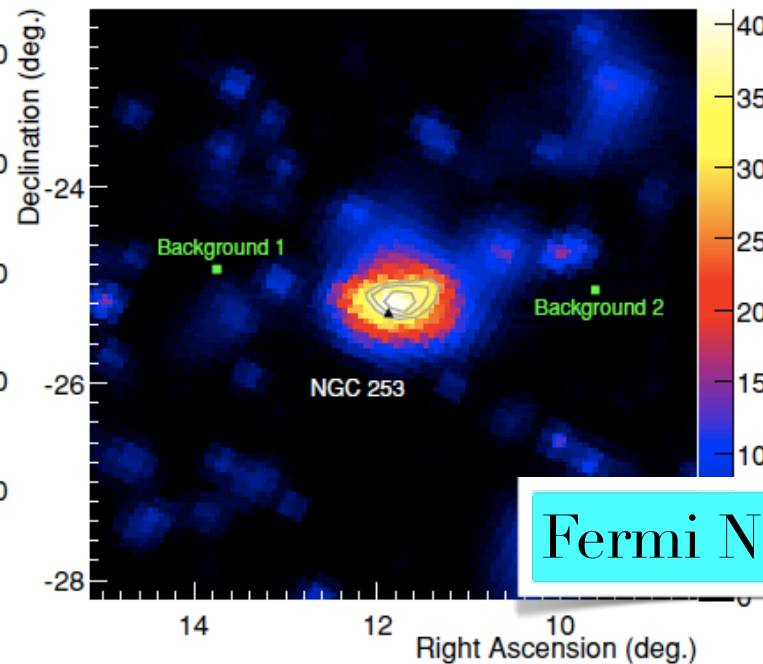
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Fermi, M82

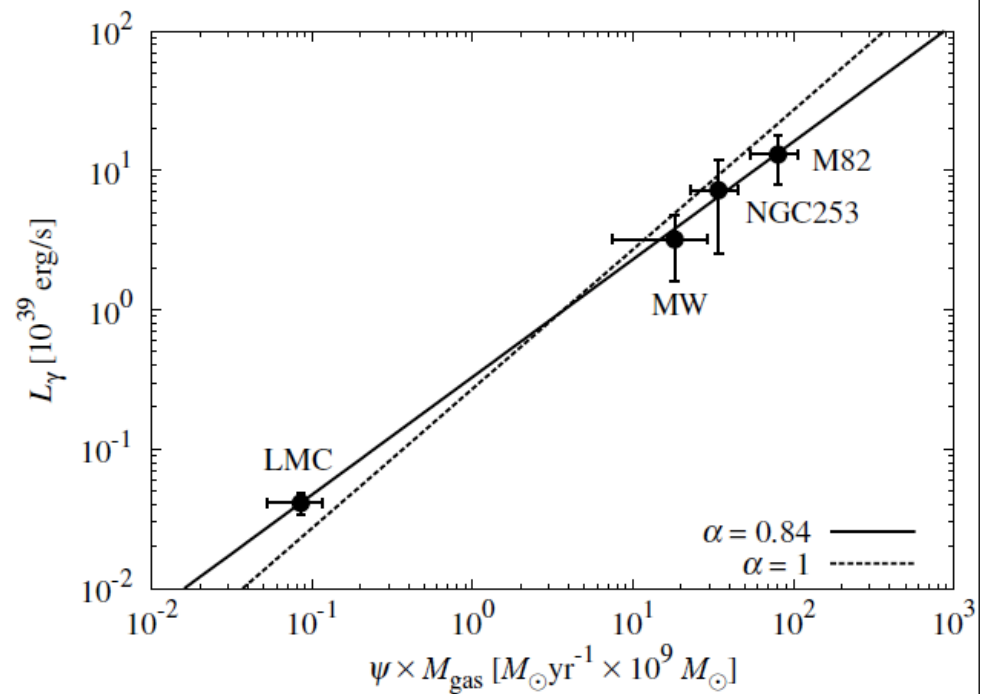
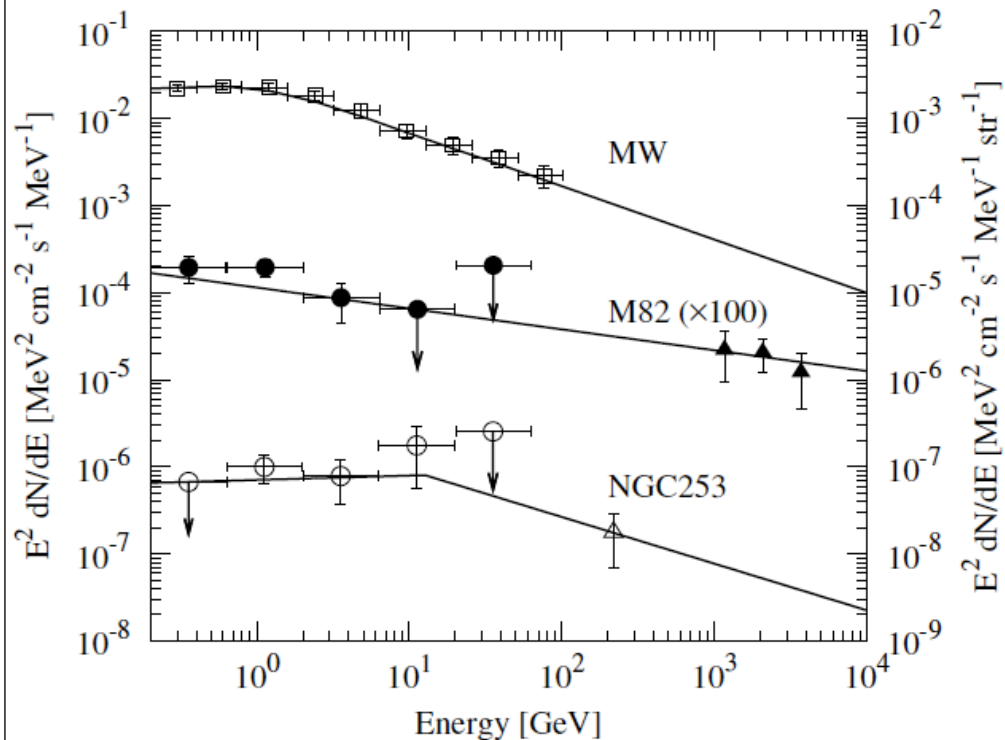


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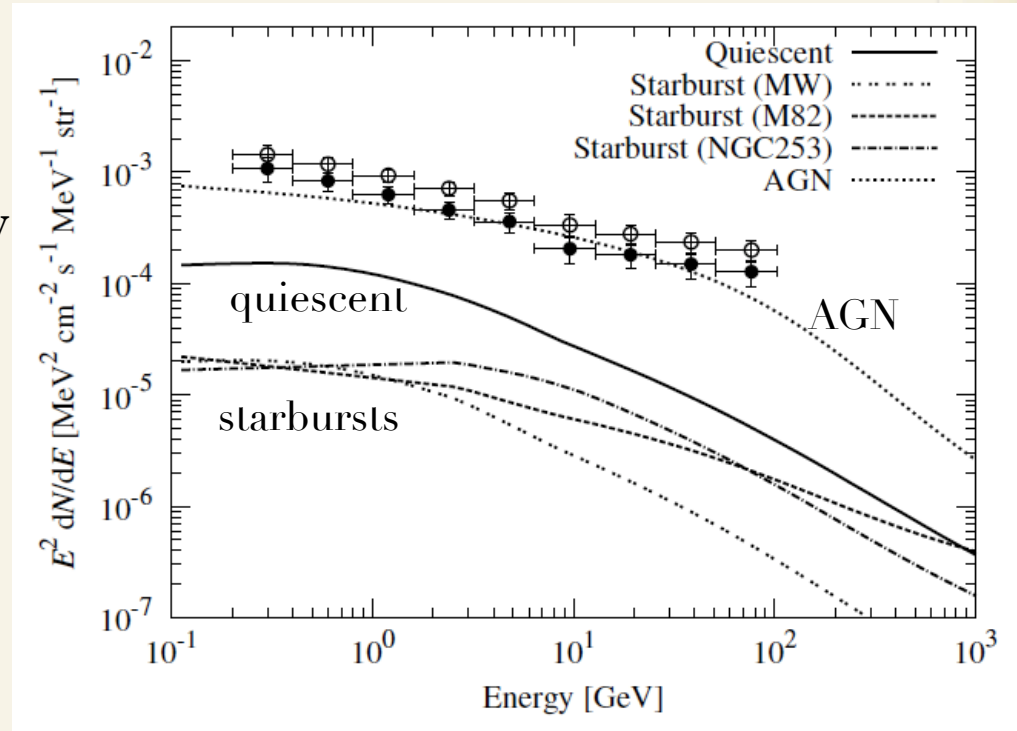
Gamma-rays from Star-forming Galaxies

- ~ harder spectra for starburst galaxies than MW
- ~ good correlation with $\text{SFR} \times M_{\text{gas}}$



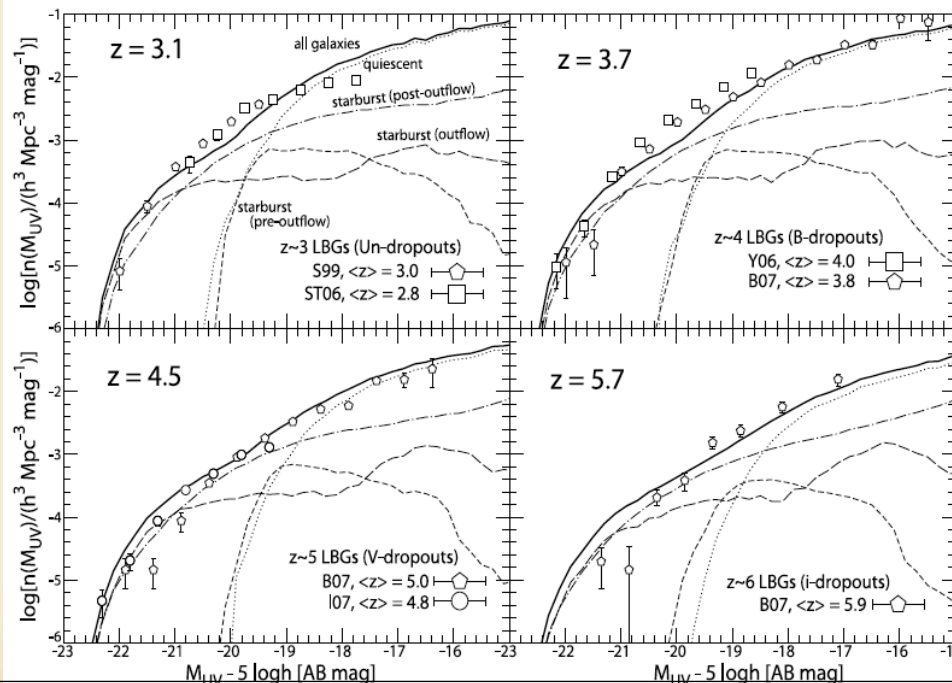
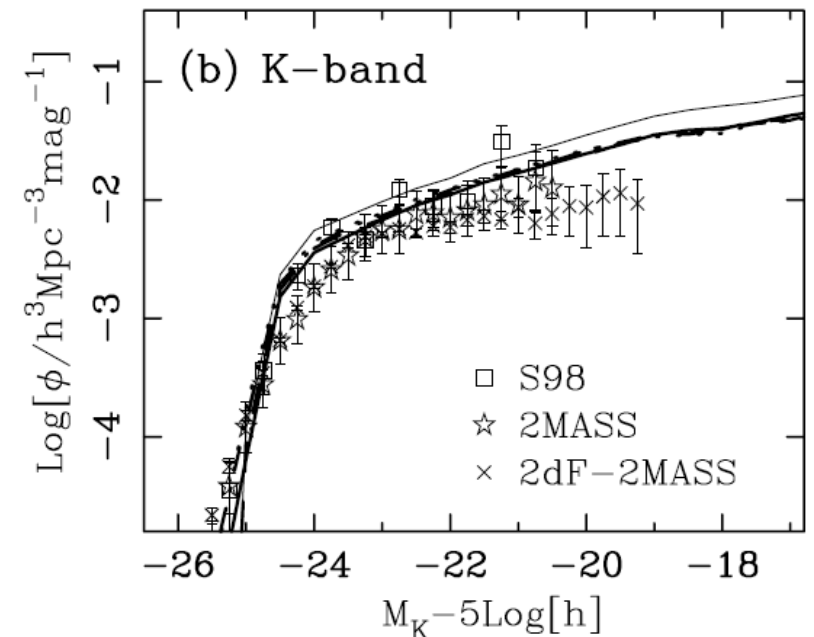
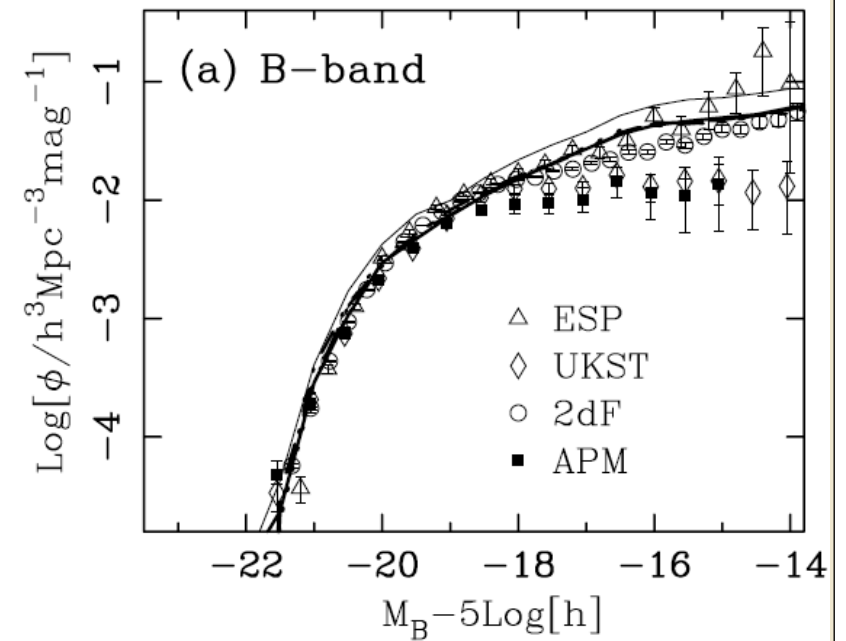
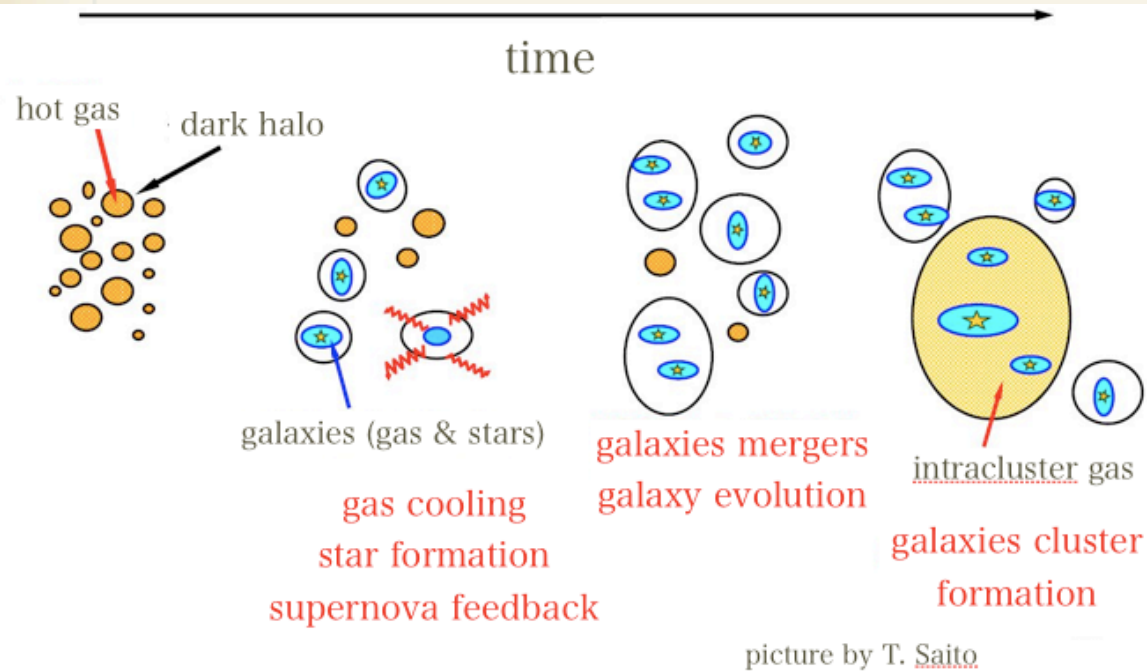
gamma-ray background from star-forming galaxies

- ~ Makiya, TT+'10, arXiv:1005.1390v1
 - ~ see also Pavlidou+Fields '02; Thompson +'07,
- ~ based on a detailed cosmological galaxy formation model that reproduce a number of galaxy observations
- ~ $L_\gamma \propto (\text{SFR}) \times M_{\text{gas}}$
- ~ ~10% contribution to the total gamma-ray background
- ~ predicted spectrum very similar to the observed EGRB



○ : total flux (incl. srcs)
● : diffuse at the Fermi limit

Cosmological Galaxy Formation Model



A semi-analytic model by Nagashima et al.

Origin of GeV EGRB: Concluding Remarks

- ~ Contributions to EGRB from reasonable sources (in photon flux > 100 MeV)
 - ~ blazars: $\sim 50\%$ (confirmed both by observation and model)
 - ~ Star-forming galaxies: $10-20\%$ (theoretical+local obs.)
 - ~ normal AGN's non-thermal tail: $< \sim 20\%$ (theoretical)
- ~ $> \sim 80\%$ of EGRB can be explained by astrophysically reasonable source contributions
 - ~ the predicted spectrum also in good agreement with observation
 - ~ remaining $< \sim 20\%$? systematic uncertainties both in model and obs.?
- ~ No evidence (sadly!) for exotic sources like dark matter annihilation
 - ~ star-forming galaxy component difficult to resolve
 - ~ direct DM detection impossible under $\sim 10\%$ of EGRB. Anisotropy?

