

Hunting for Planet-mass objects in Extragalactic systems

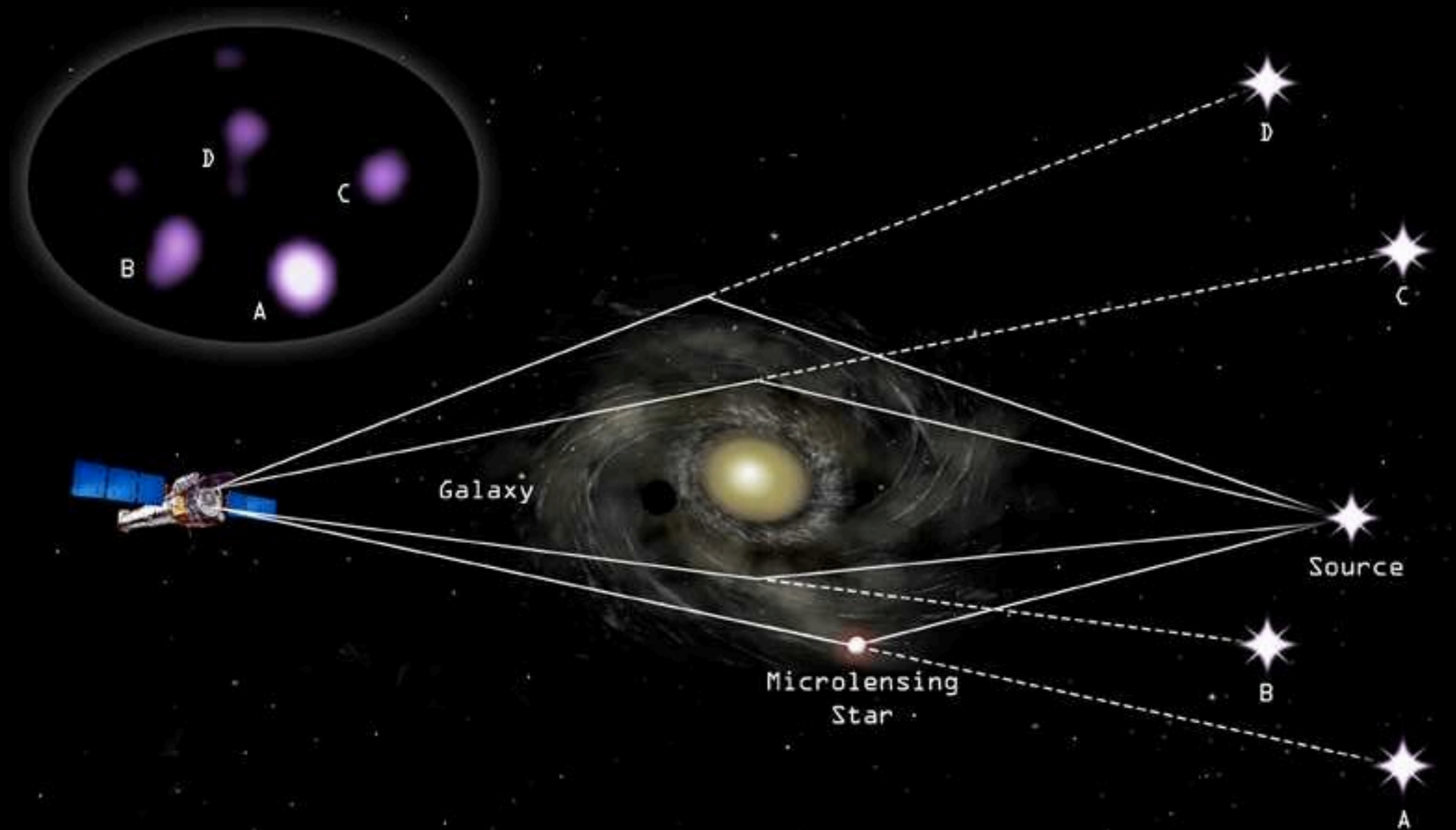
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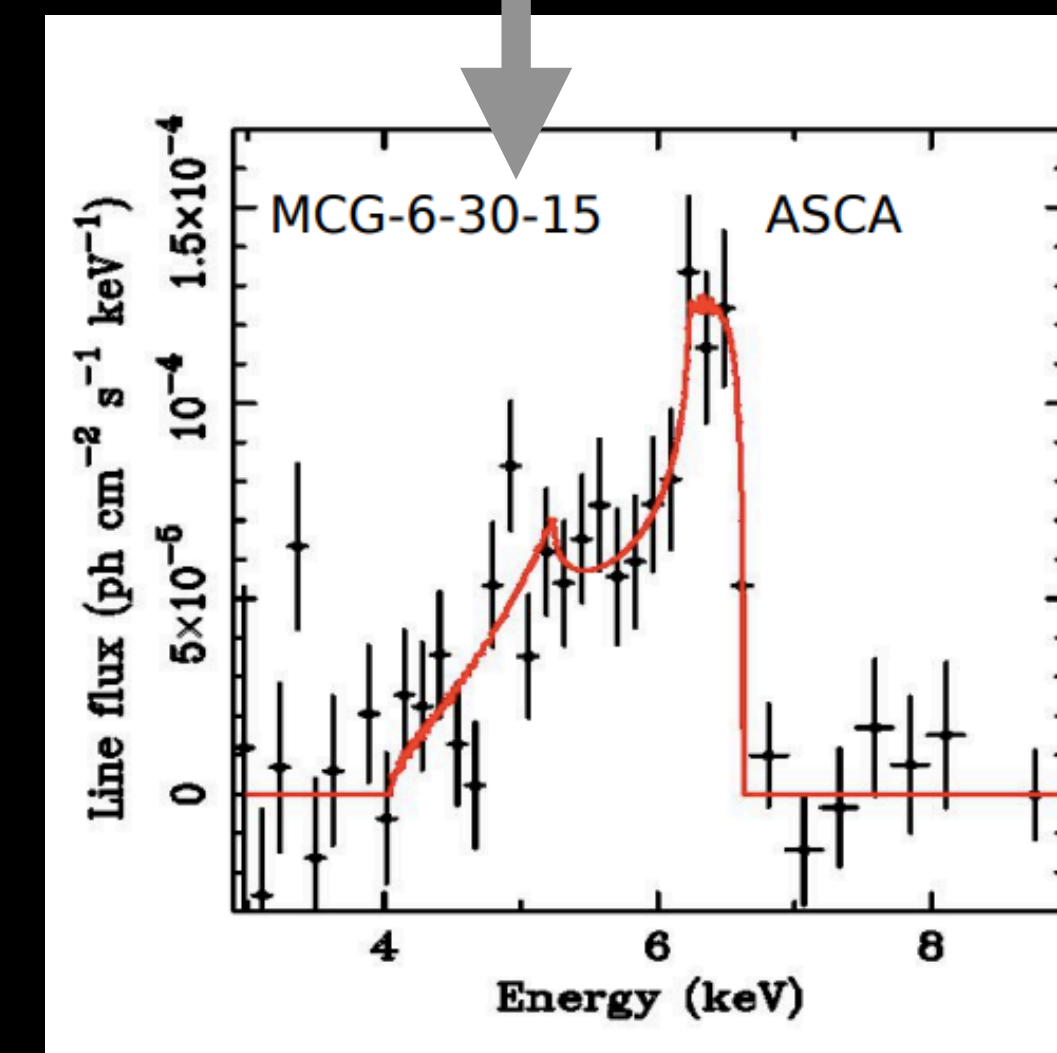
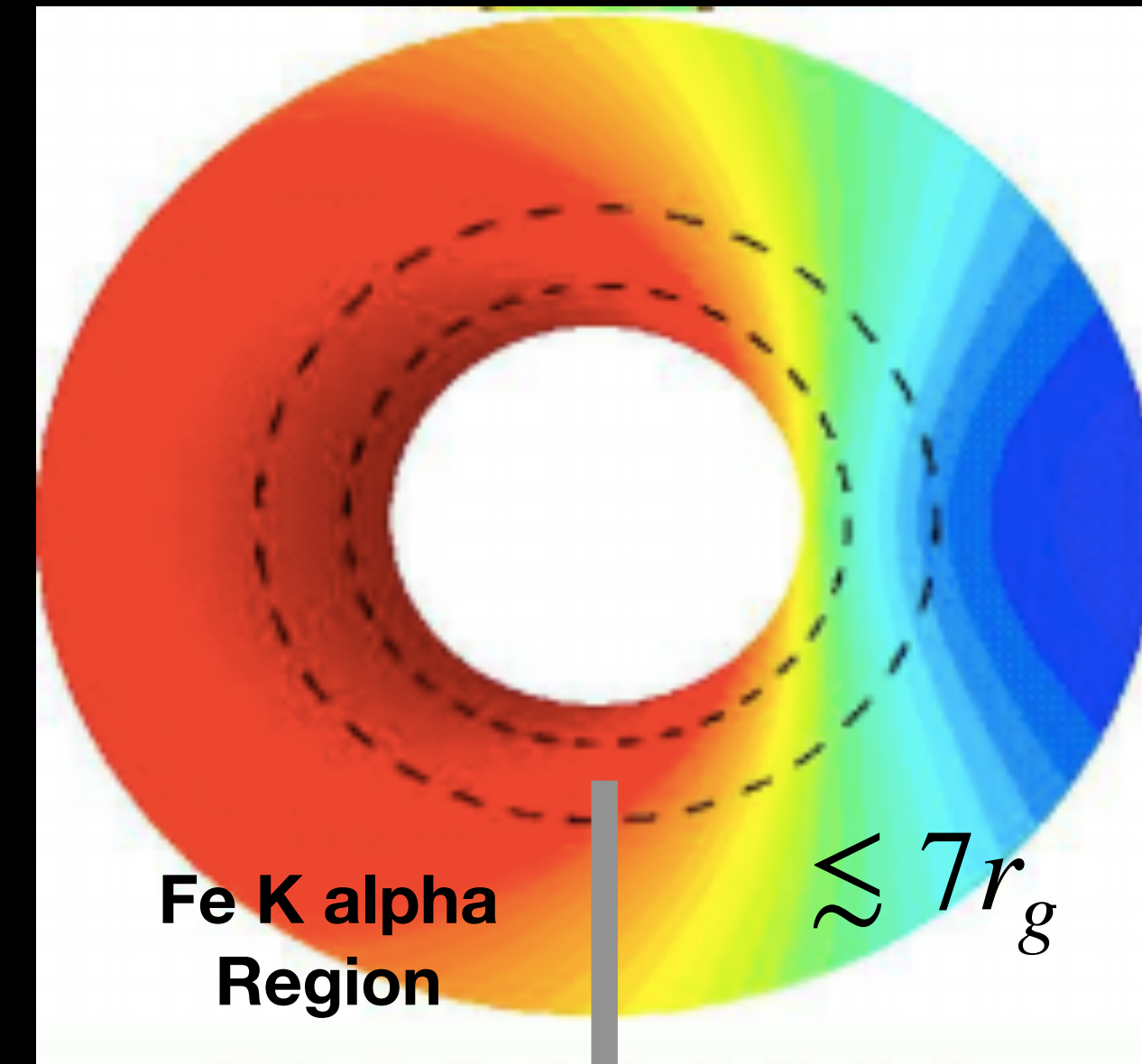
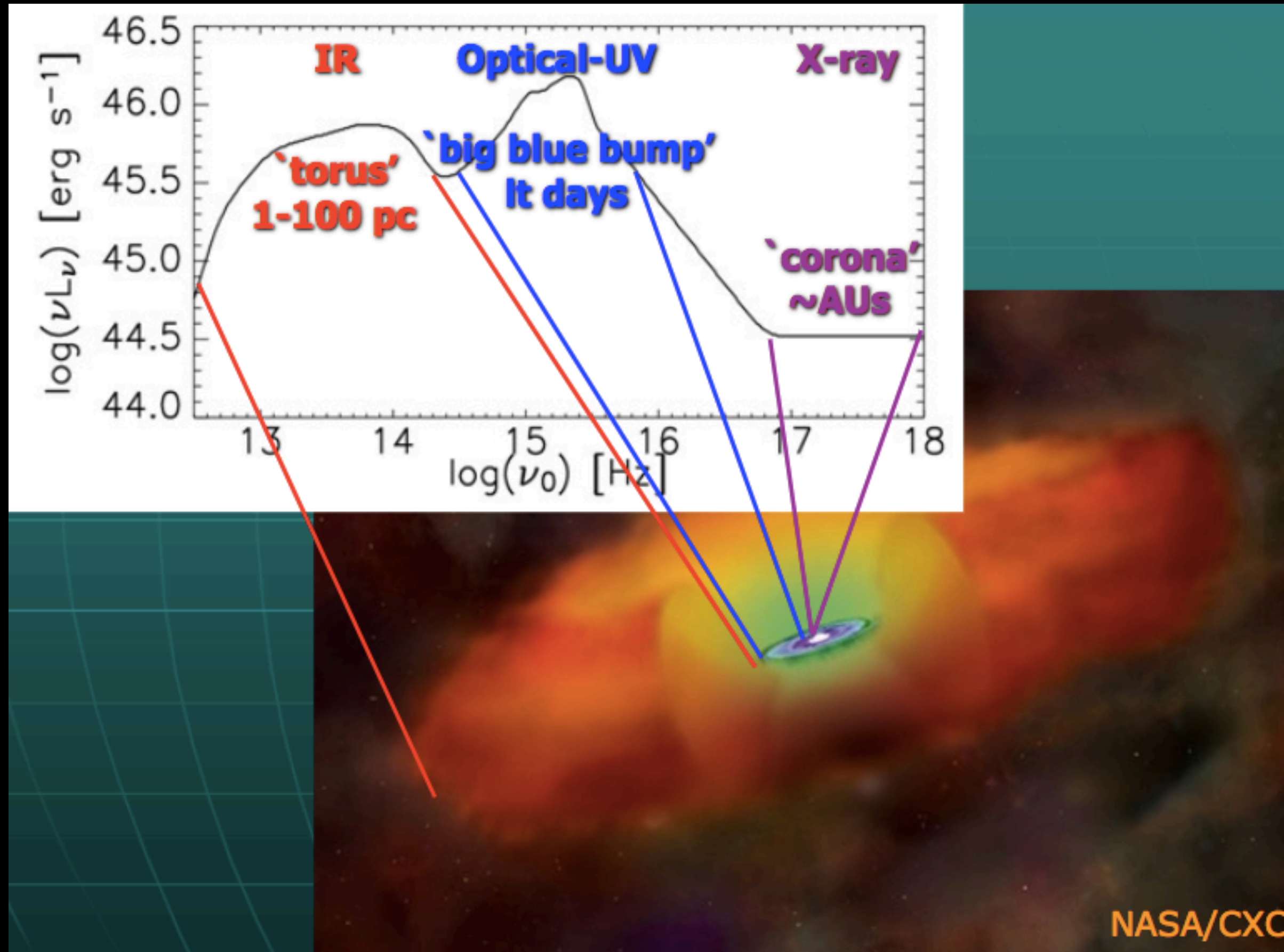


Quasar microlensing



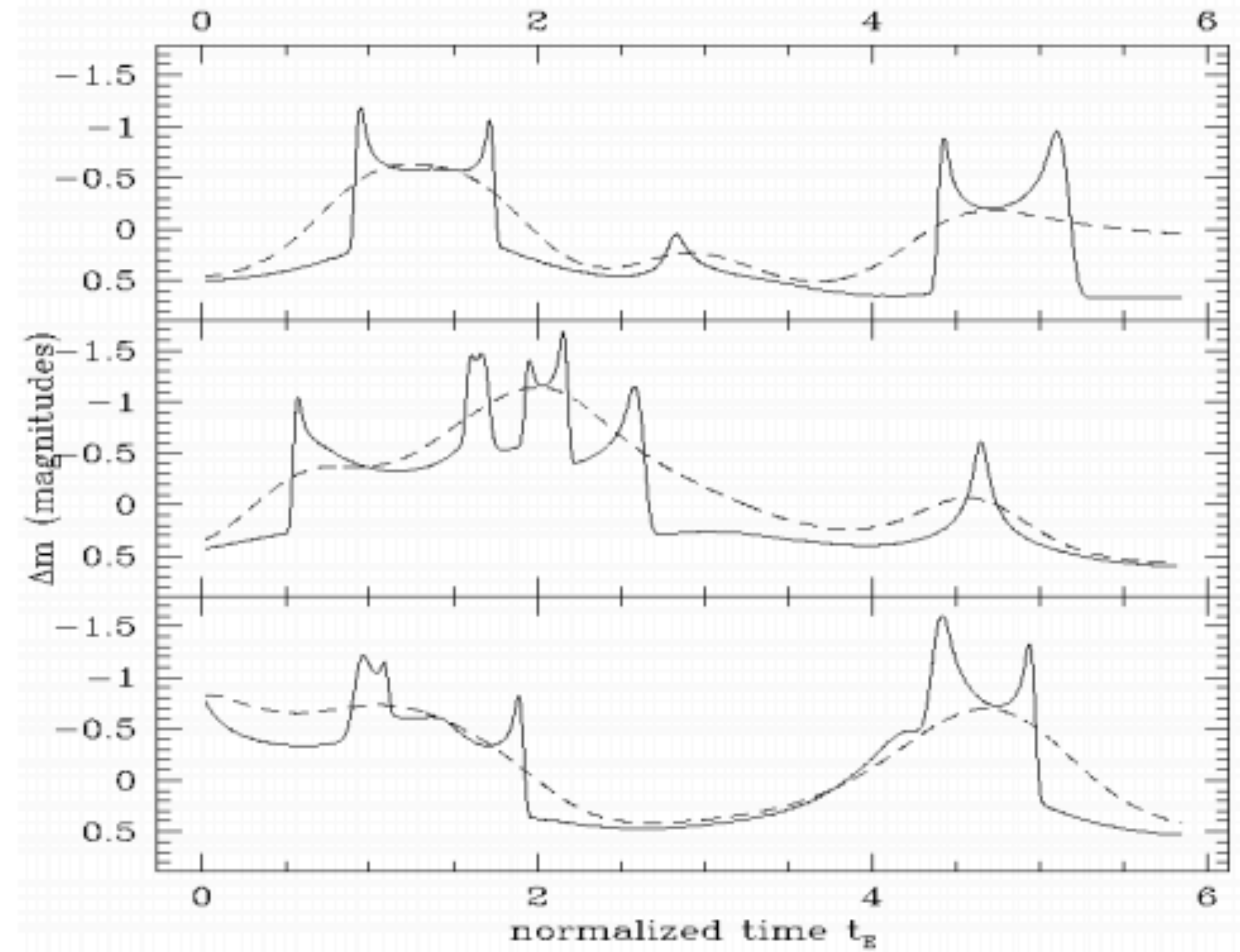
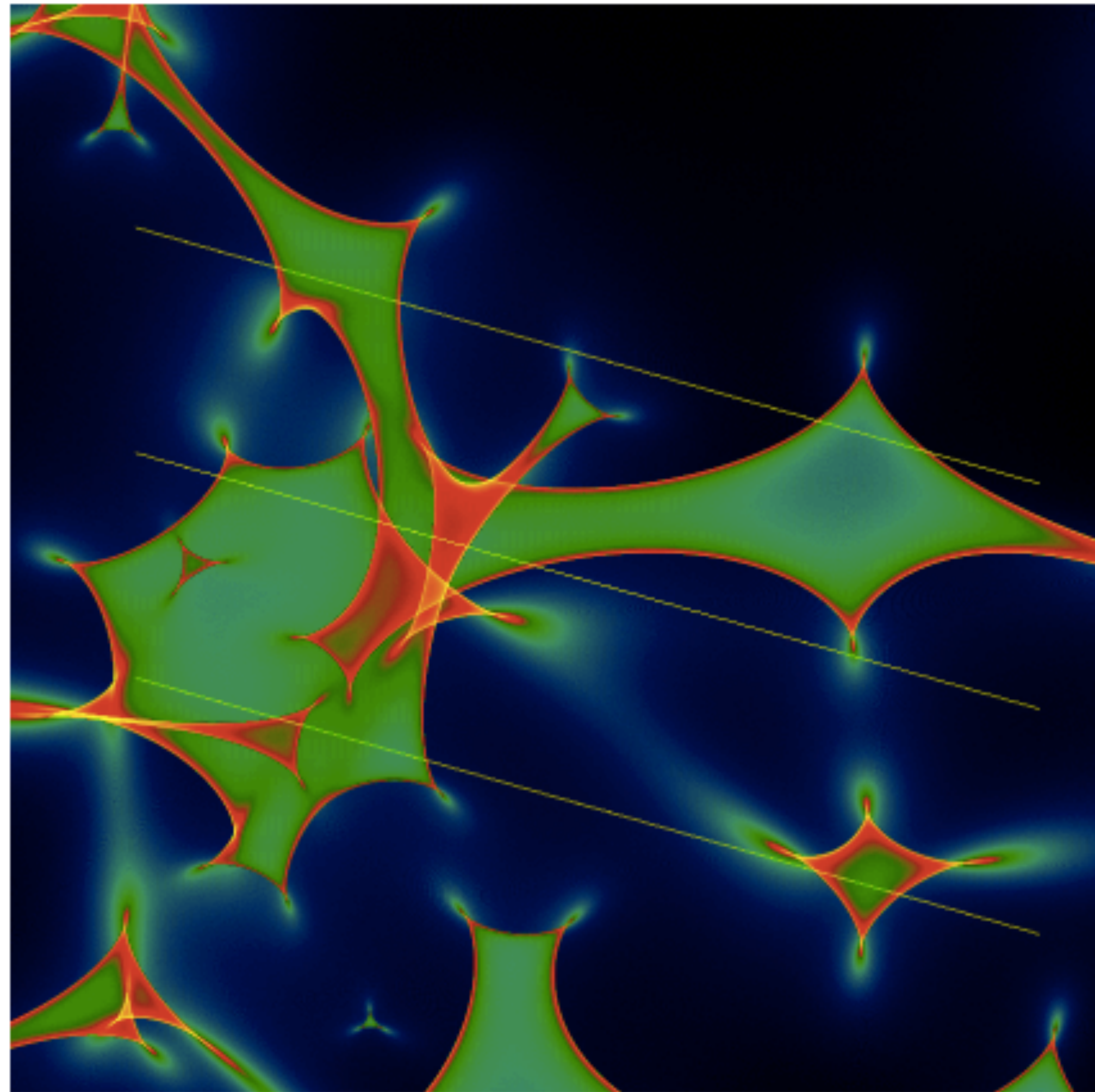
- Study the structure of the accretion disk around the SMBH.
- Properties of mass distribution in the lens galaxy.

How to probe planet mass objects?



Size of Fe K α emission region ~ Einstein ring of a planet

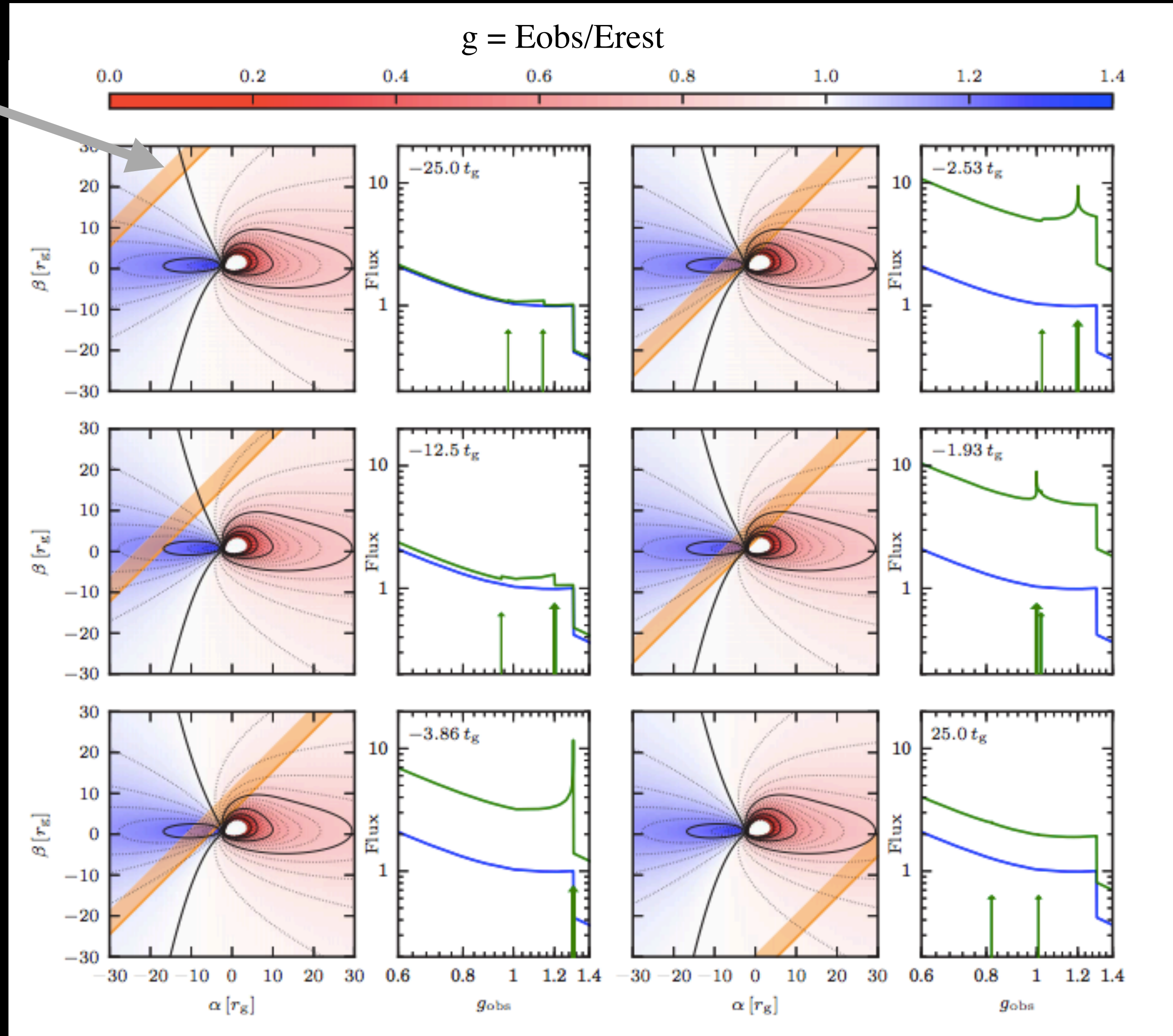
Stellar microlensing events in the Optical light curves



Microlensing signatures in the X-ray spectrum

Caustic

Time



$$g = \frac{E_{obs}}{E_{rest}} \quad (\text{Line shift parameter})$$

Passage of caustic causes differential magnification of g values

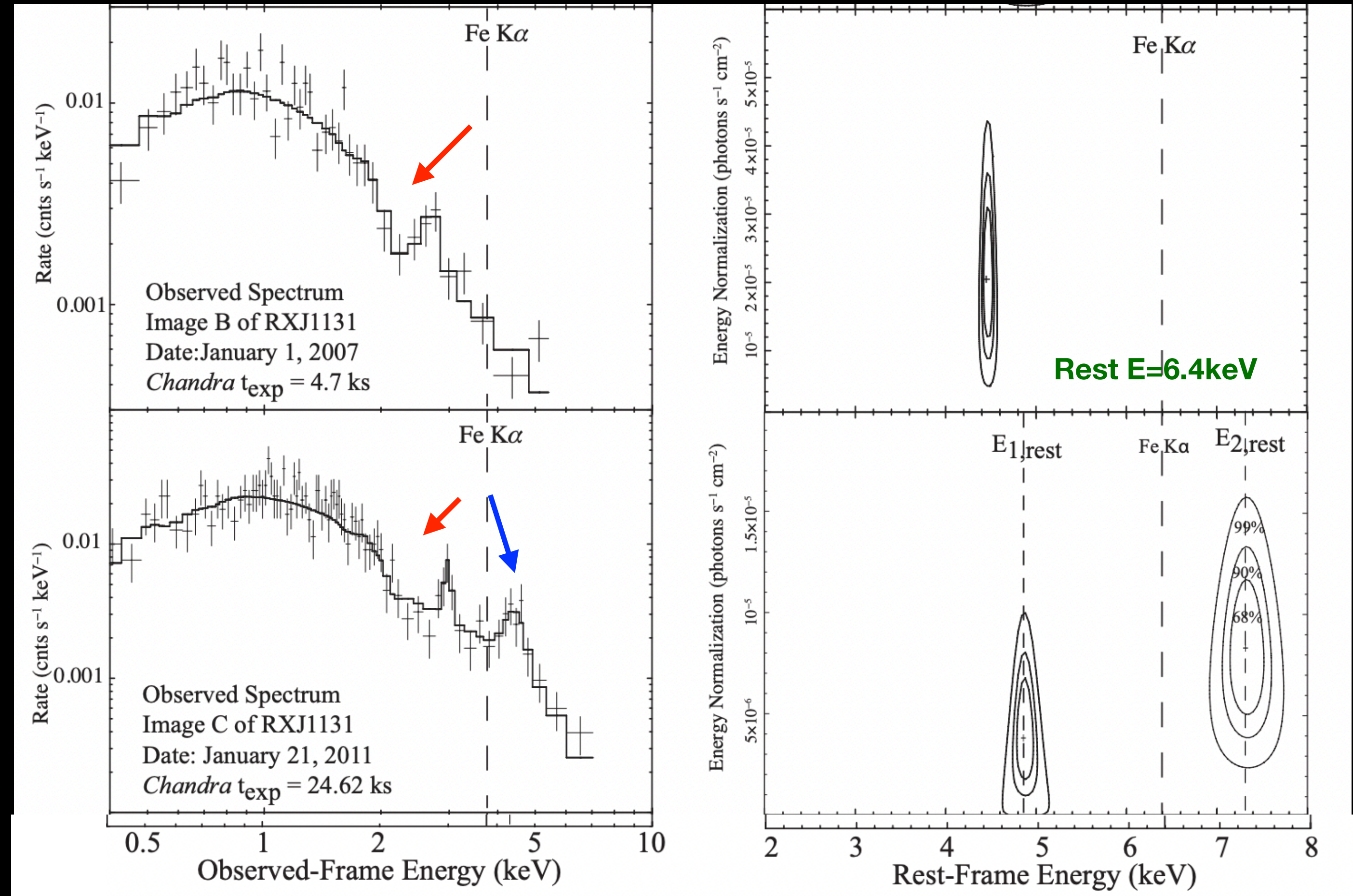
Caustic passing Event → Line shift

[Popović et al. (2003, 2006) , Jovanović et al. (2009)]

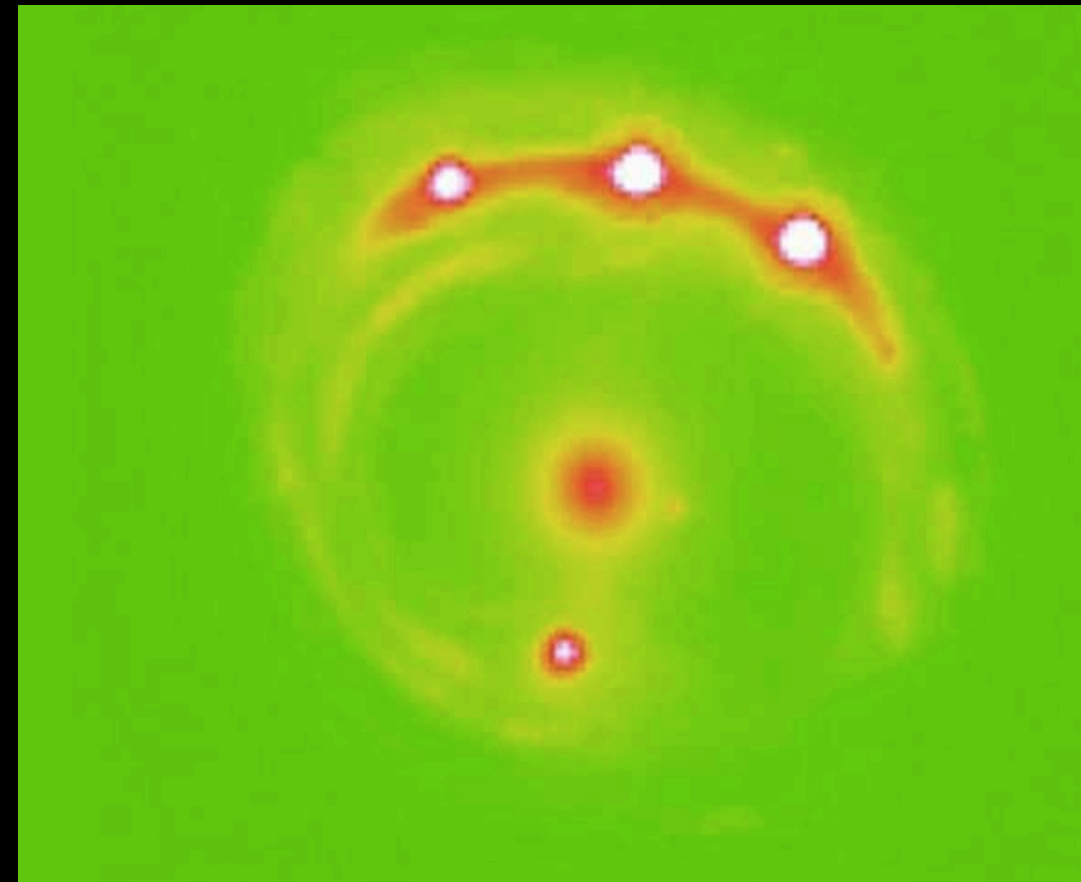


Chandra observations

- Iron K line in the X-ray spectrum show large line peak variations and double line features
- Line peak is observed to vary over a large range of energies
- In non lensed AGNs, peaks of FeKalpha lines shows little variability
- Line variations are uncorrelated and detected with high frequency



Lensed systems



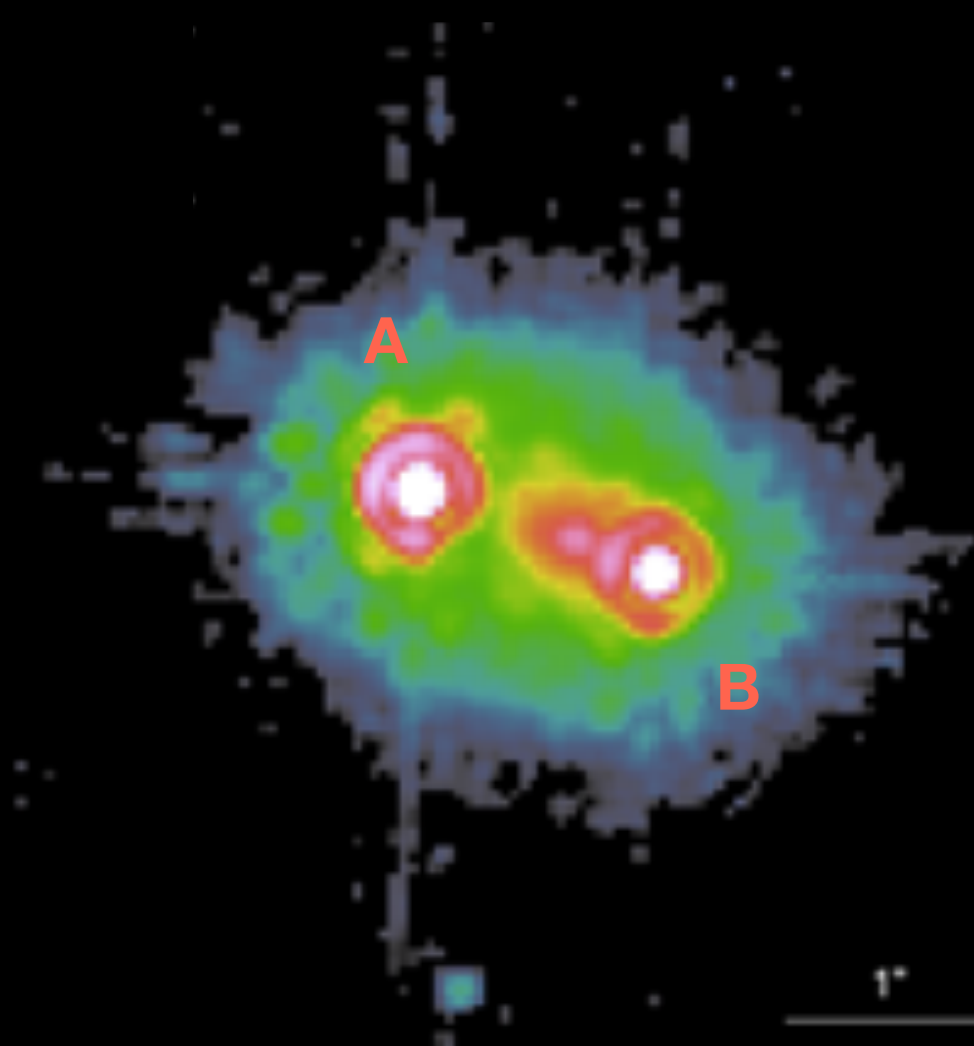
RX J1131-1231

Galaxy Lens

$$z_l = 0.29$$

$$z_s = 0.65$$

Dai & Guerras 2018

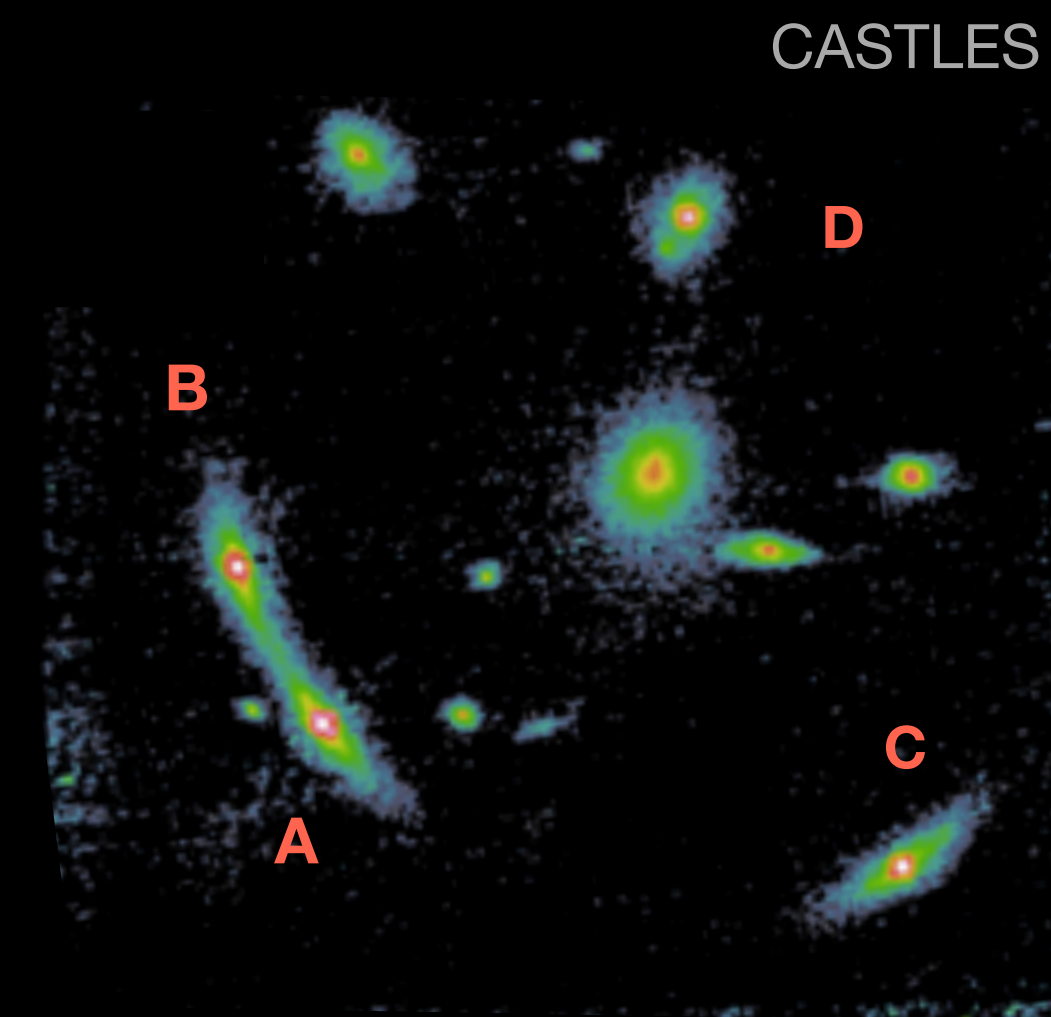


Q J0158-4325

Galaxy Lens

$$z_l = 0.31$$

$$z_s = 1.29$$



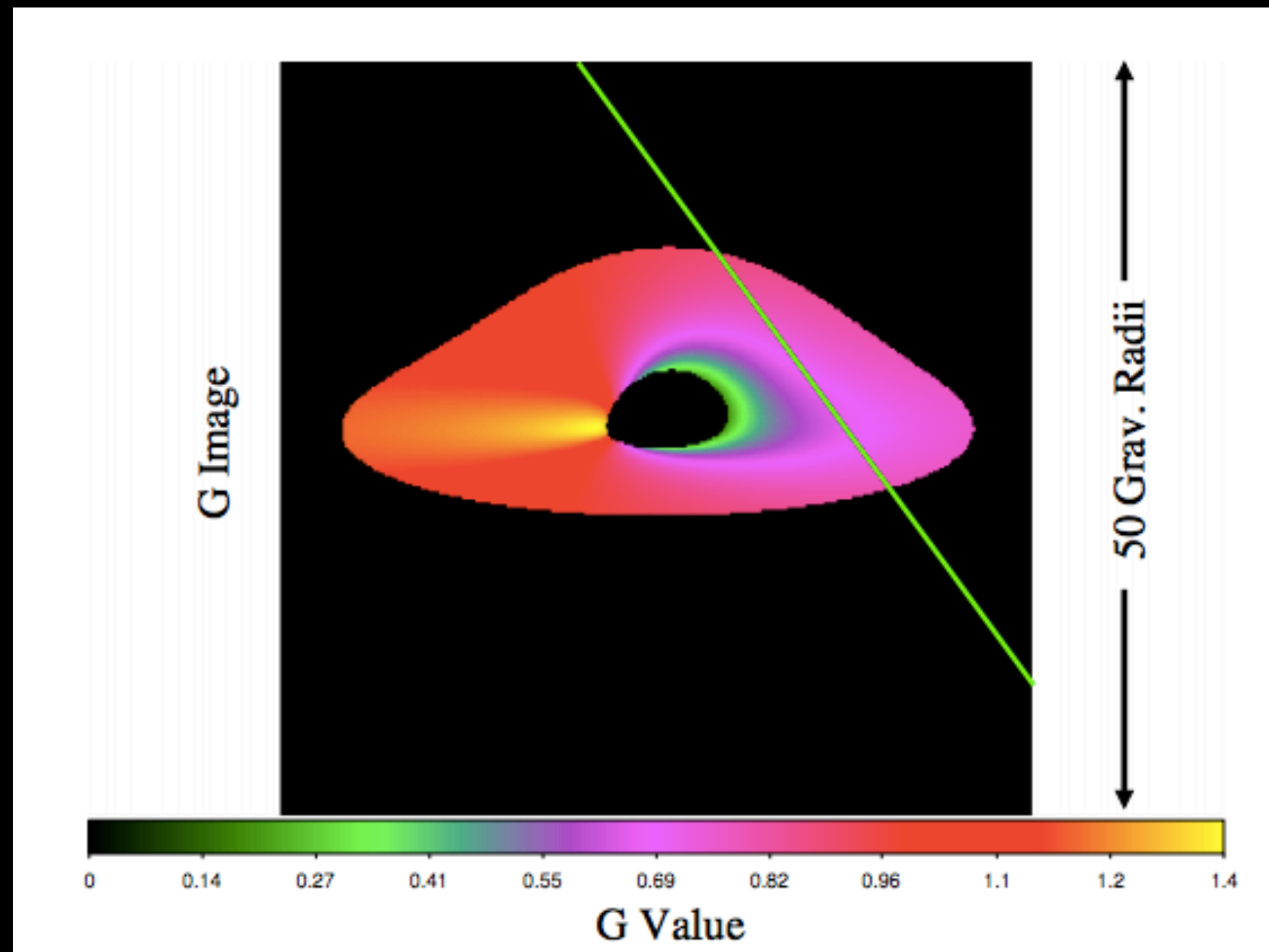
SDSS J1004+4112

Galaxy cluster Lens

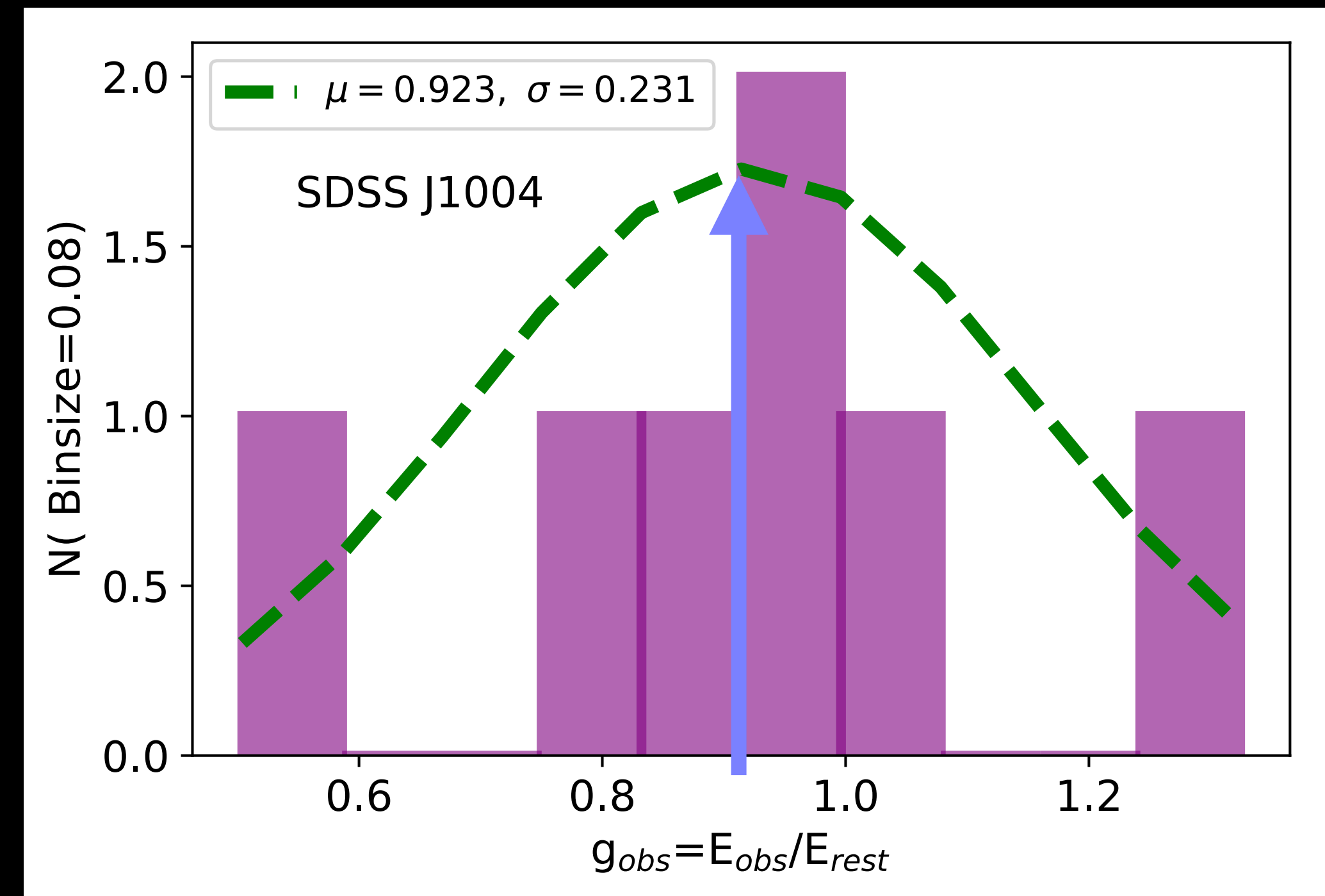
$$z_l = 0.68$$

$$z_s = 1.73$$

Bhatiani et al. 2019



Dai & Guerras 2018



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$$g = \frac{E_{obs}}{E_{rest}}$$

Observed Line shift rate = $\frac{\text{Observations with } >3\sigma \text{ line shift}}{\text{Total observations}}$

Microlensing Analysis

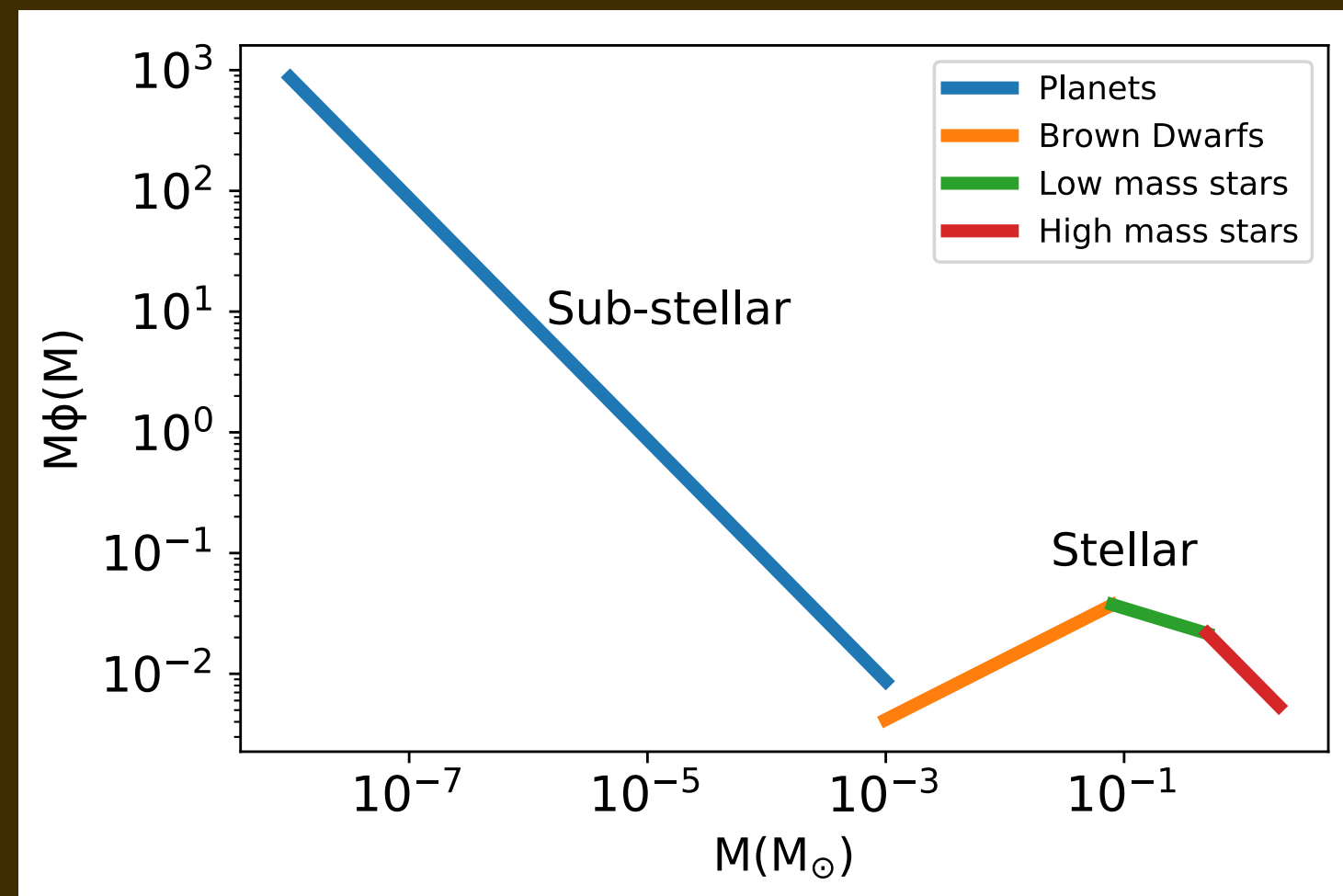
Macrolens model (from literature)

- κ [Convergence]
- γ [Shear]
- κ_* [stellar surface mass density]

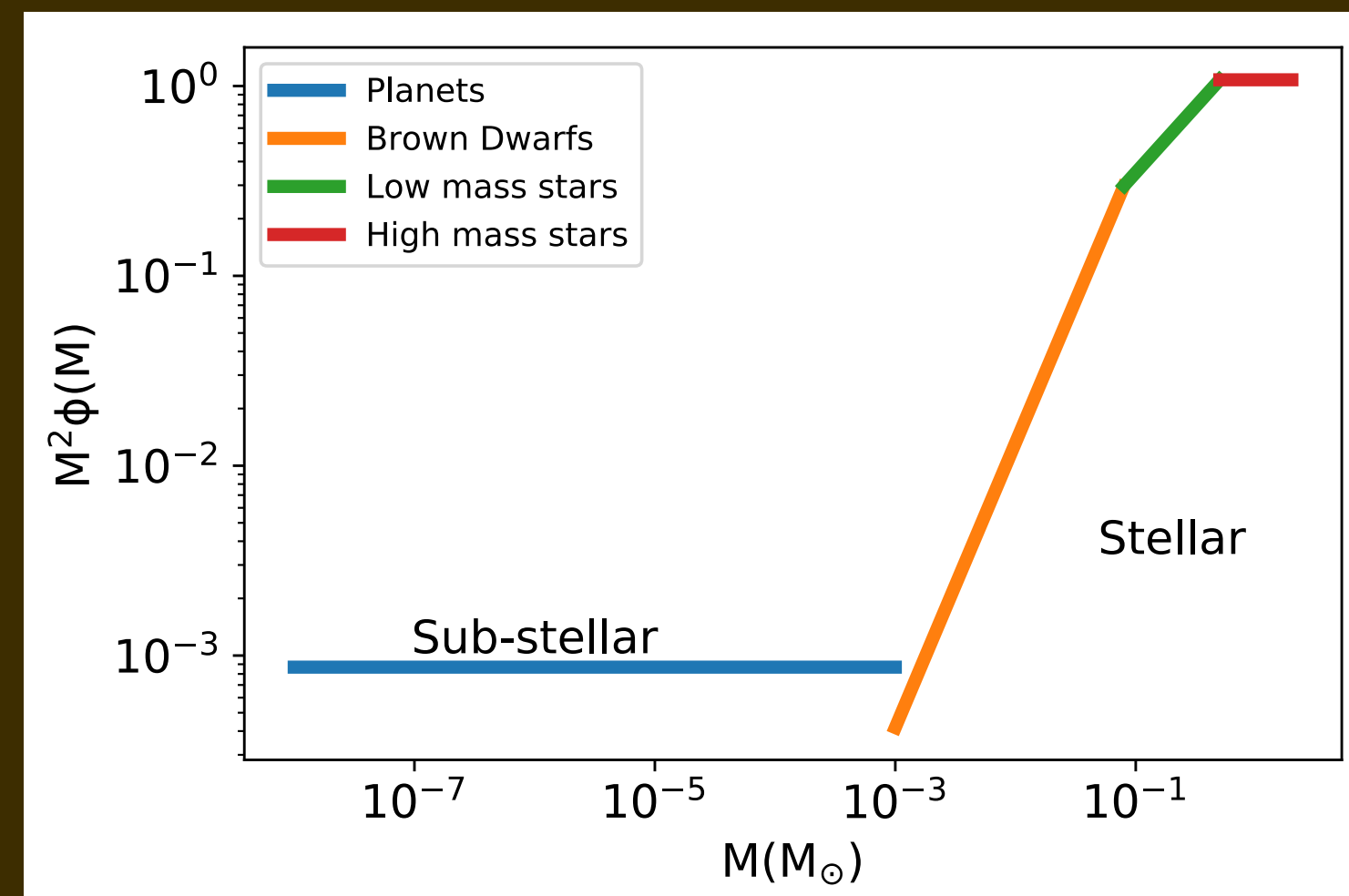
Microlens model

- $\phi(M)$ [Mass functions]
- $\alpha_* = \frac{\kappa_*}{\kappa}$ [stellar mass fraction]
- α_p [planet mass fraction]

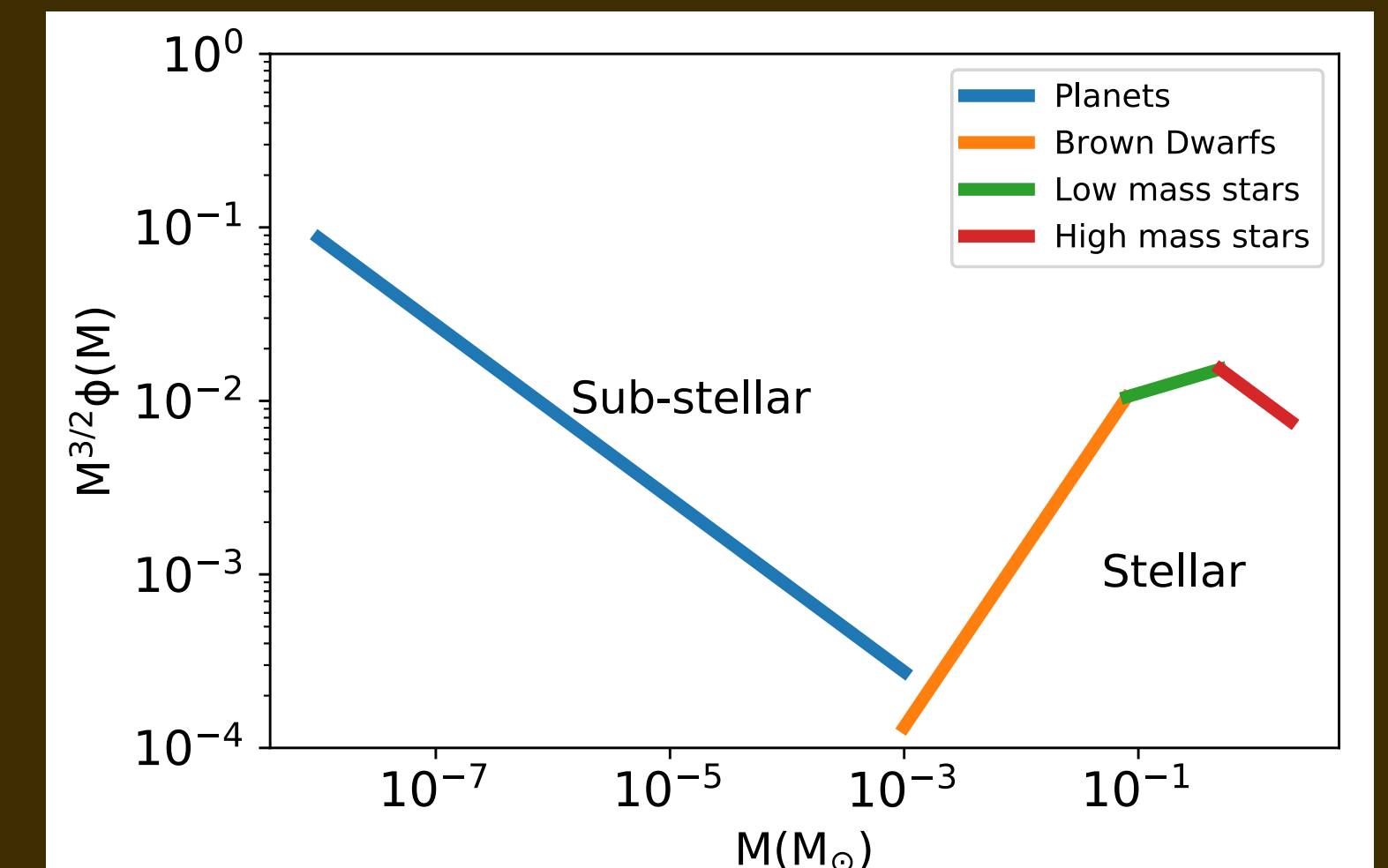
Free



Number



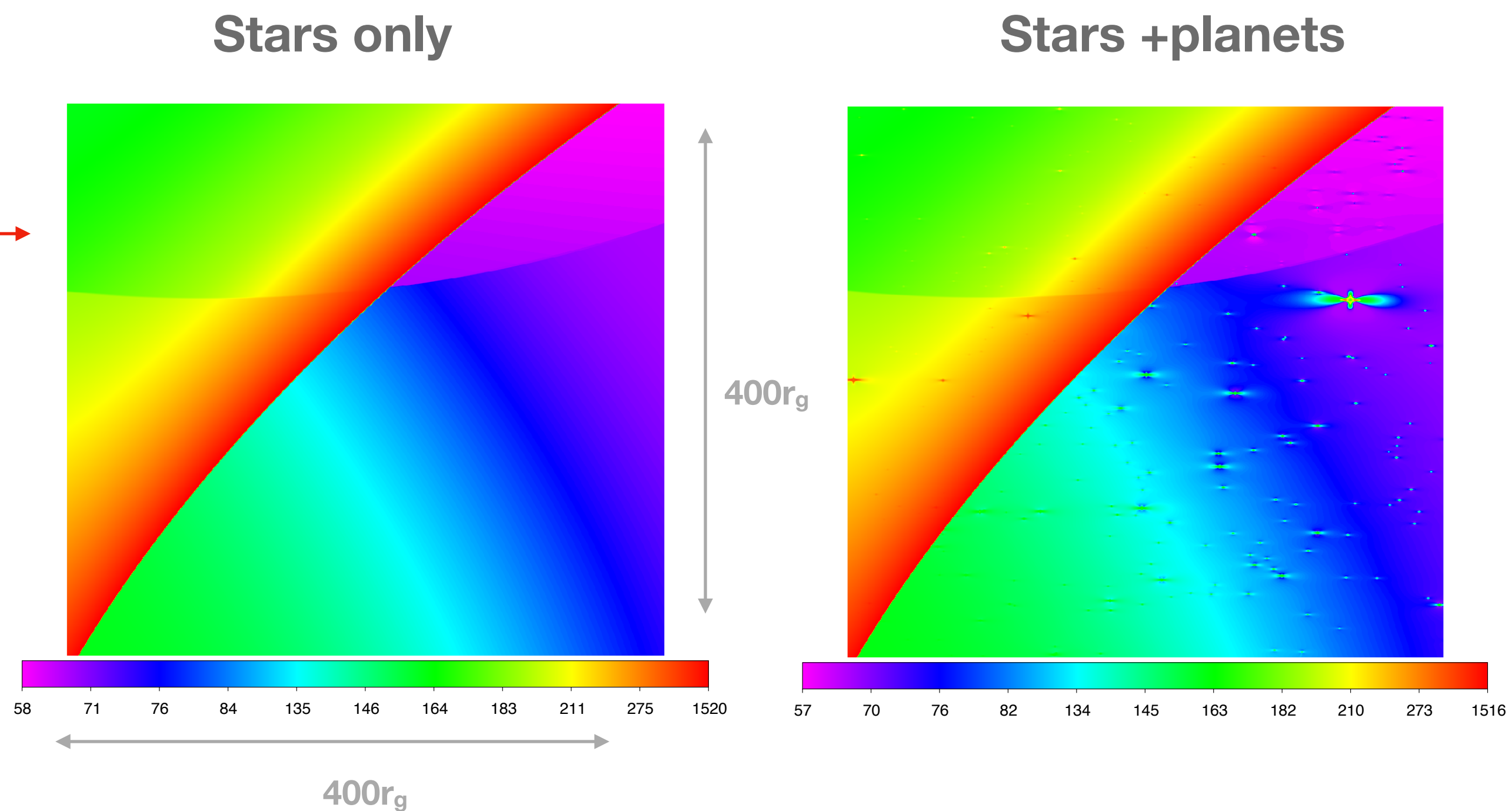
Mass



Caustic density

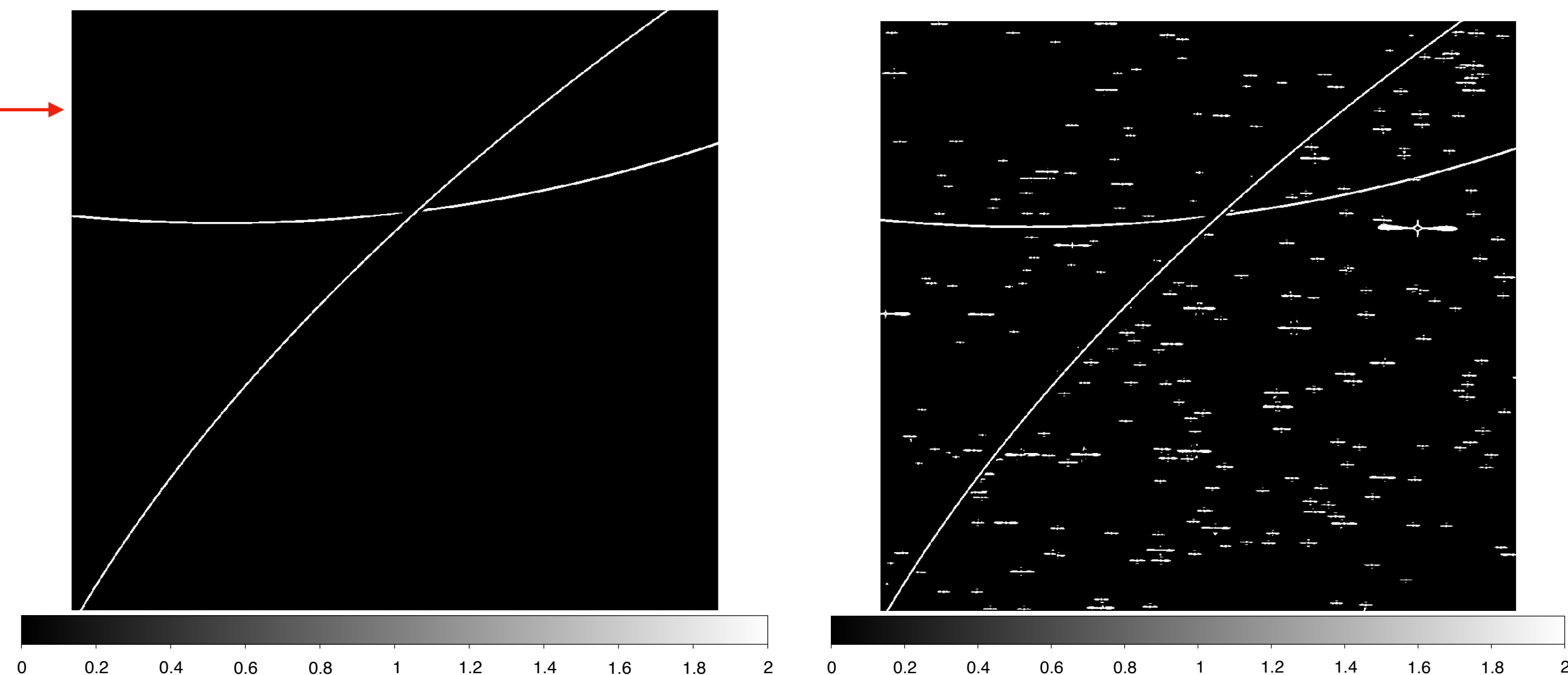
Magnification maps

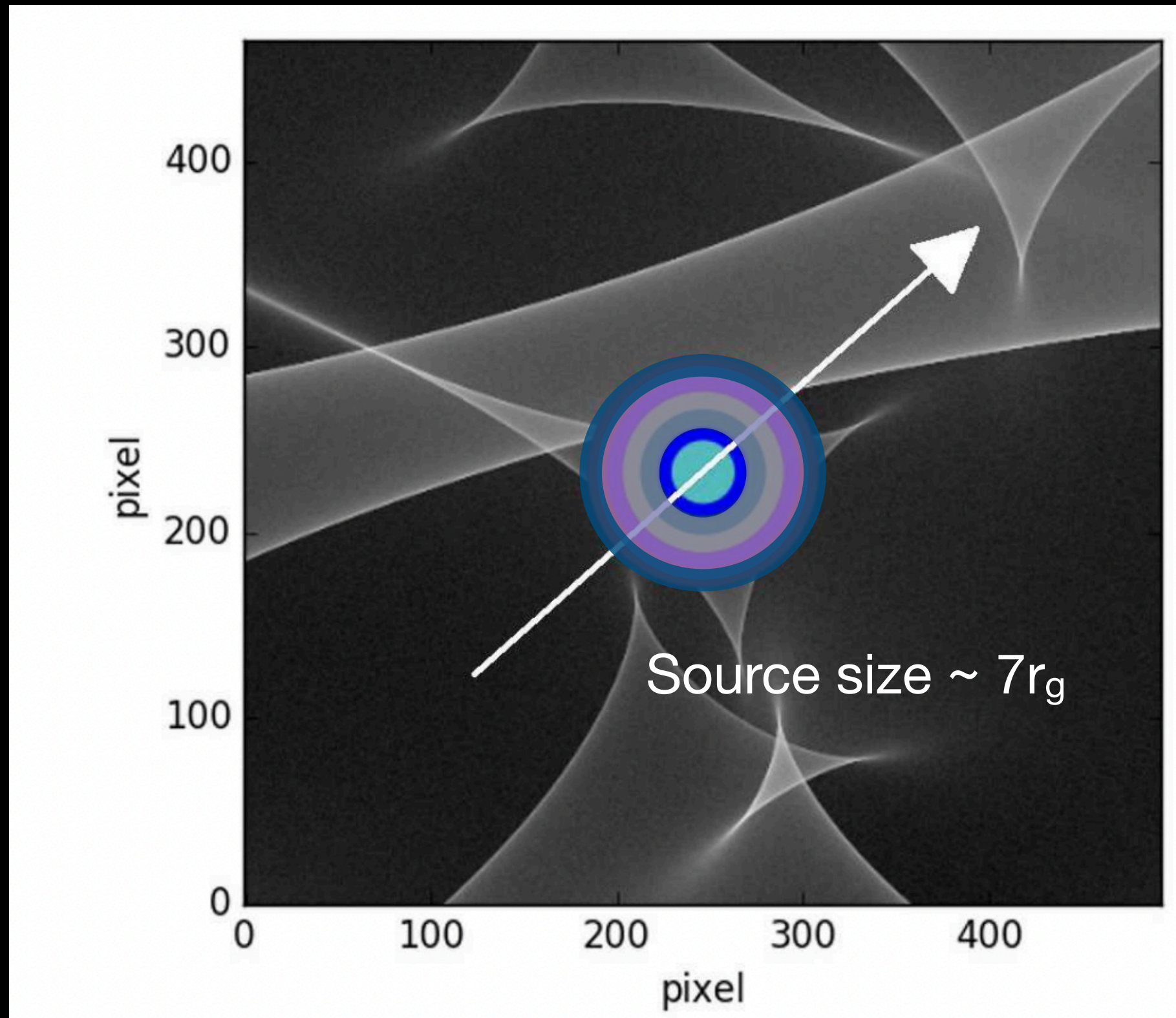
- ★ Generated random realizations of magnification maps



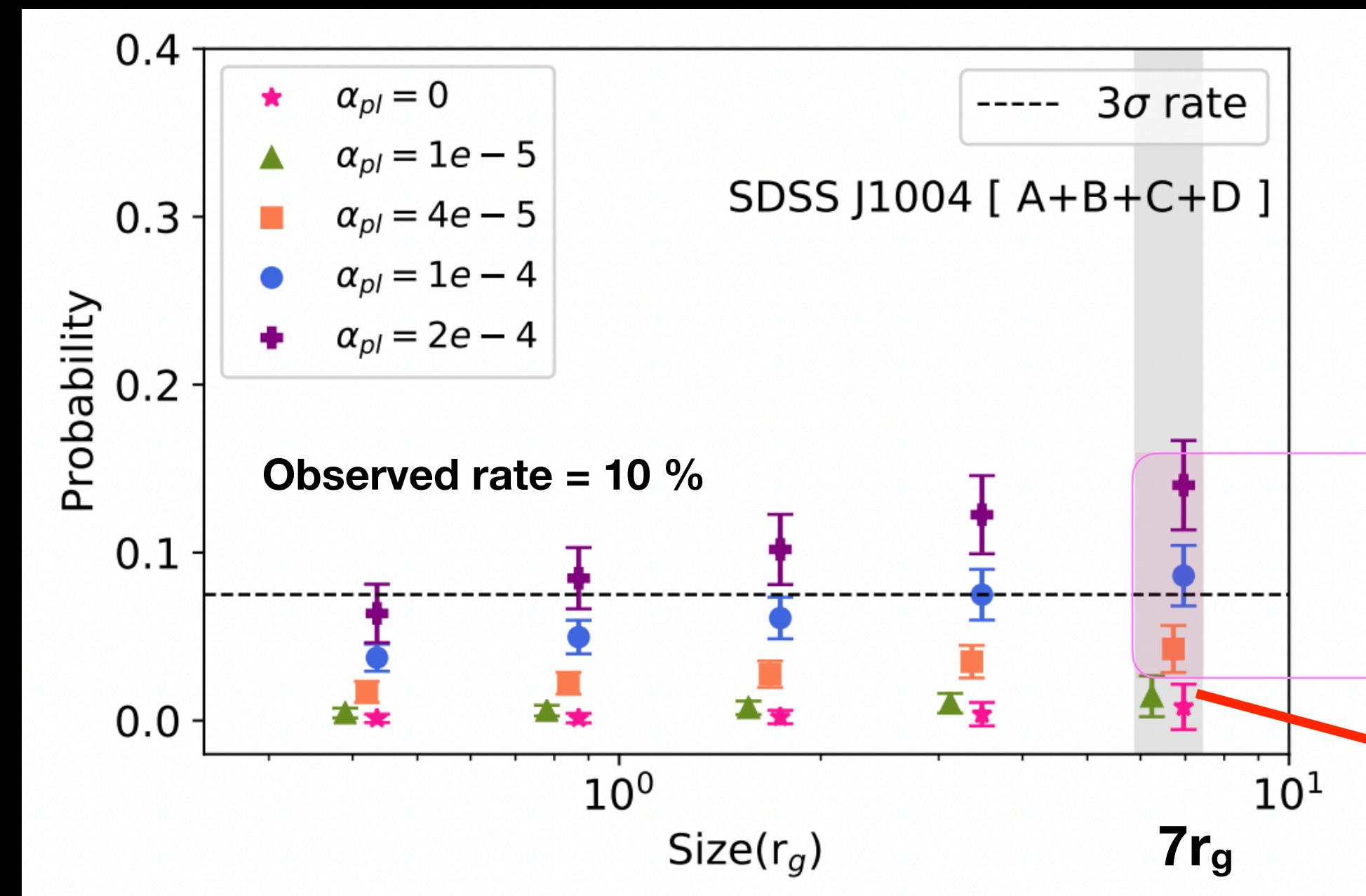
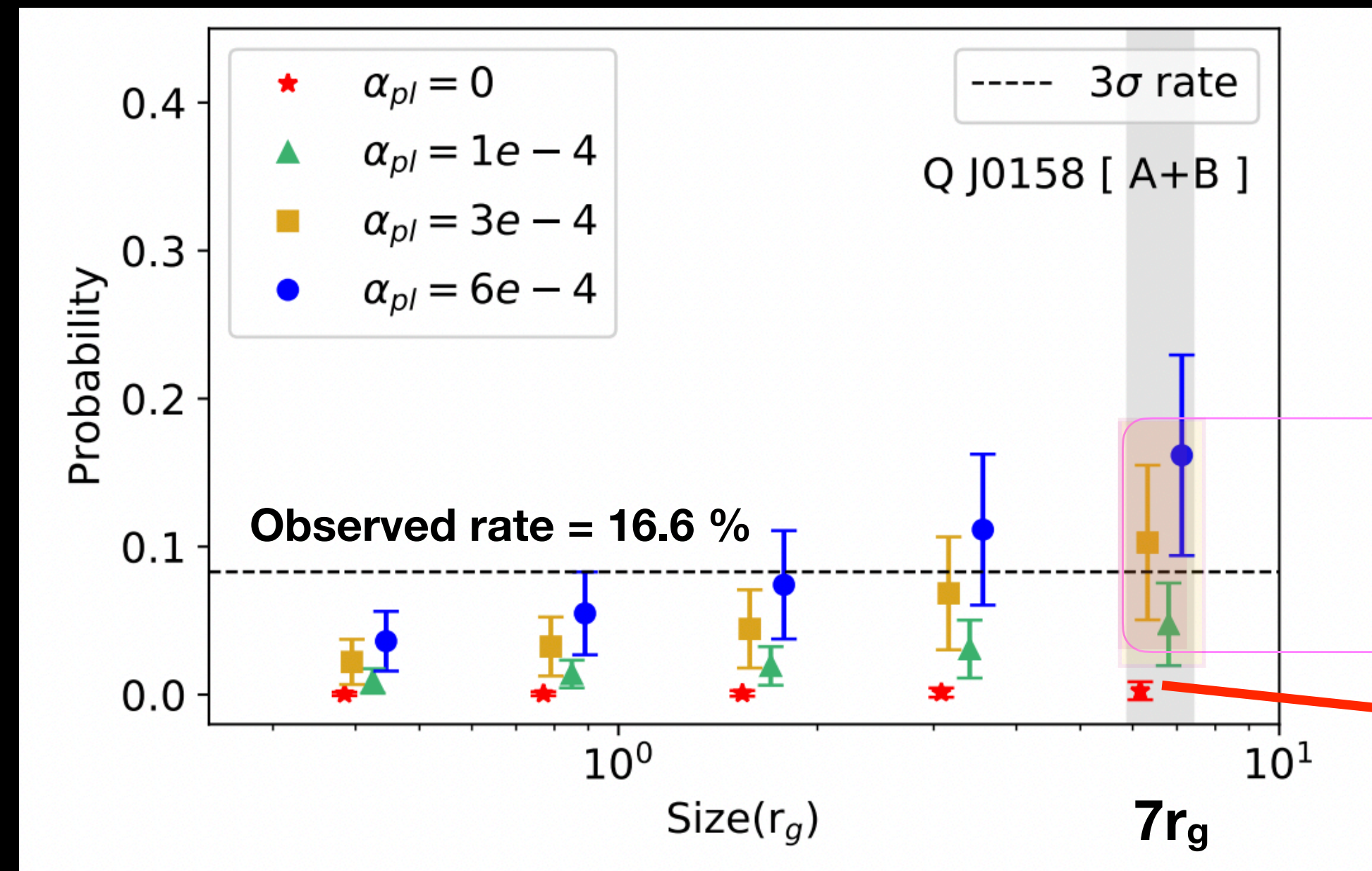
Edge detected maps

- ★ Maps are convolved with kernels for different source sizes
- ★ Caustic edge crossing probability calculated

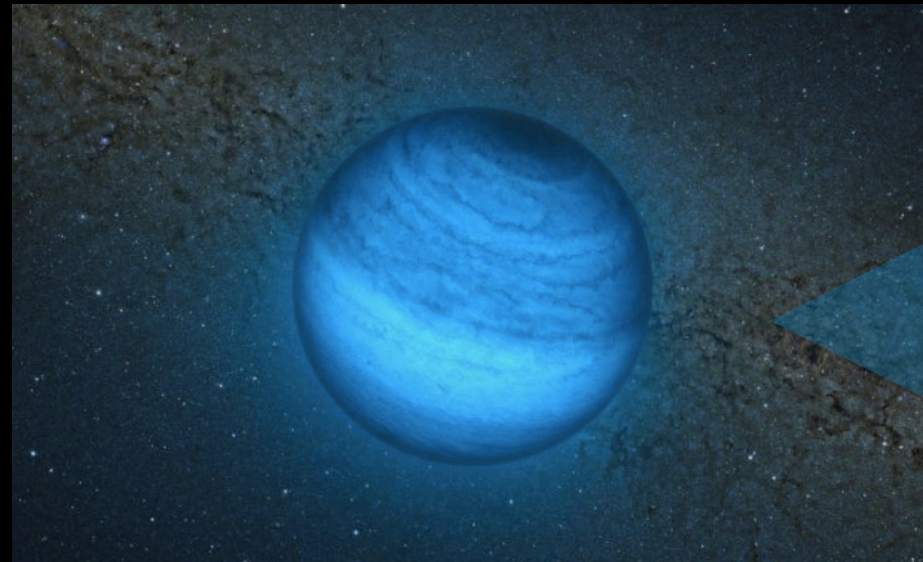
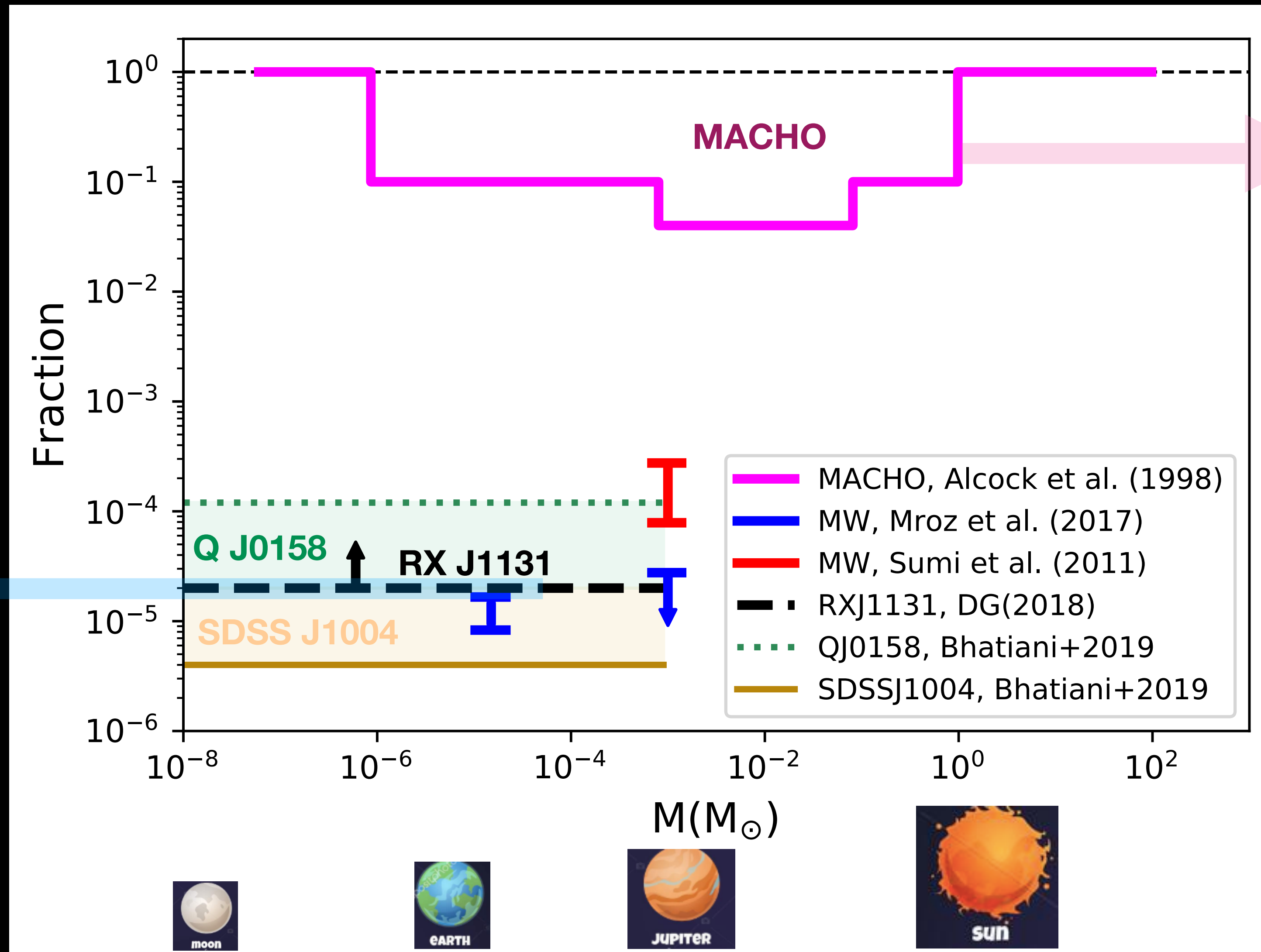




Source size is the size of Iron Alpha emission region



Free-floating planets or Primordial BHs?



Unbound planet-mass compact objects are universal in galaxies!

What's ahead?

- Measuring the frequency of line shifts and microlensing analysis of Q2237+0305 and HE0435-1223 using Chandra archival data
- Newer and deeper observations and improved modeling to impose tighter constraints
- With LSST and Euclid, more interesting candidates for X-ray microlensing studies will be revealed.



Thank you!

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