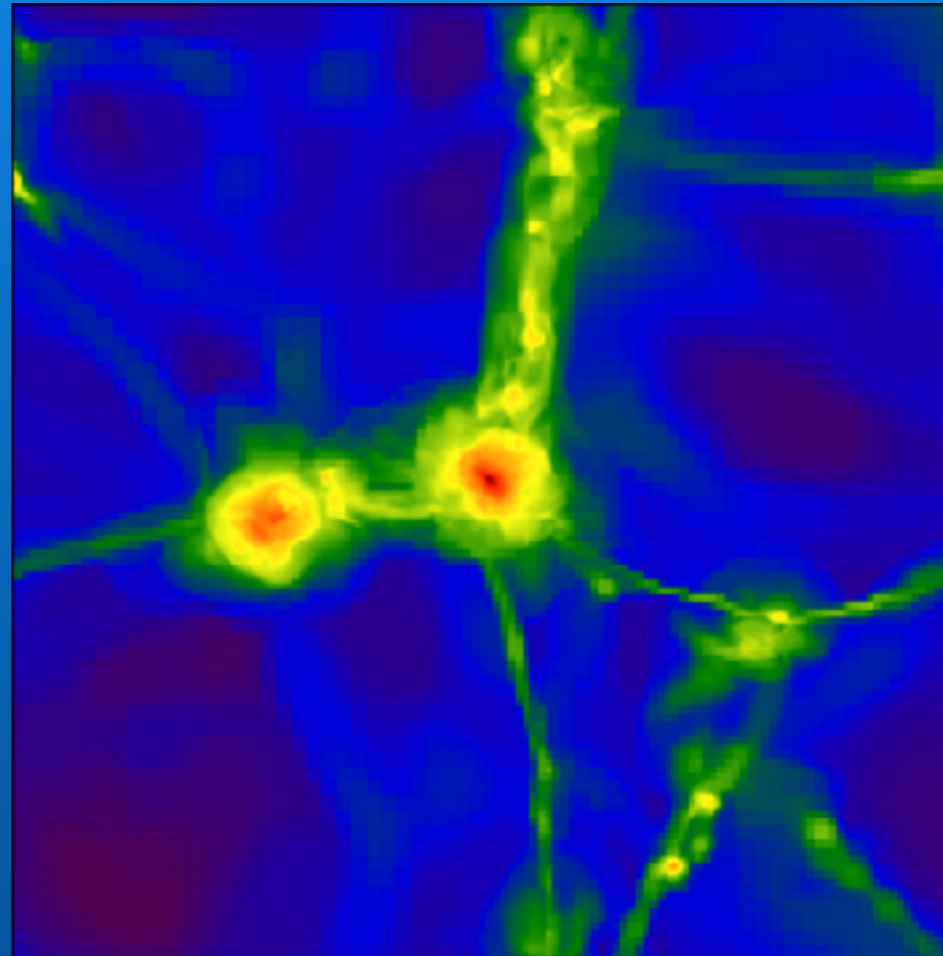


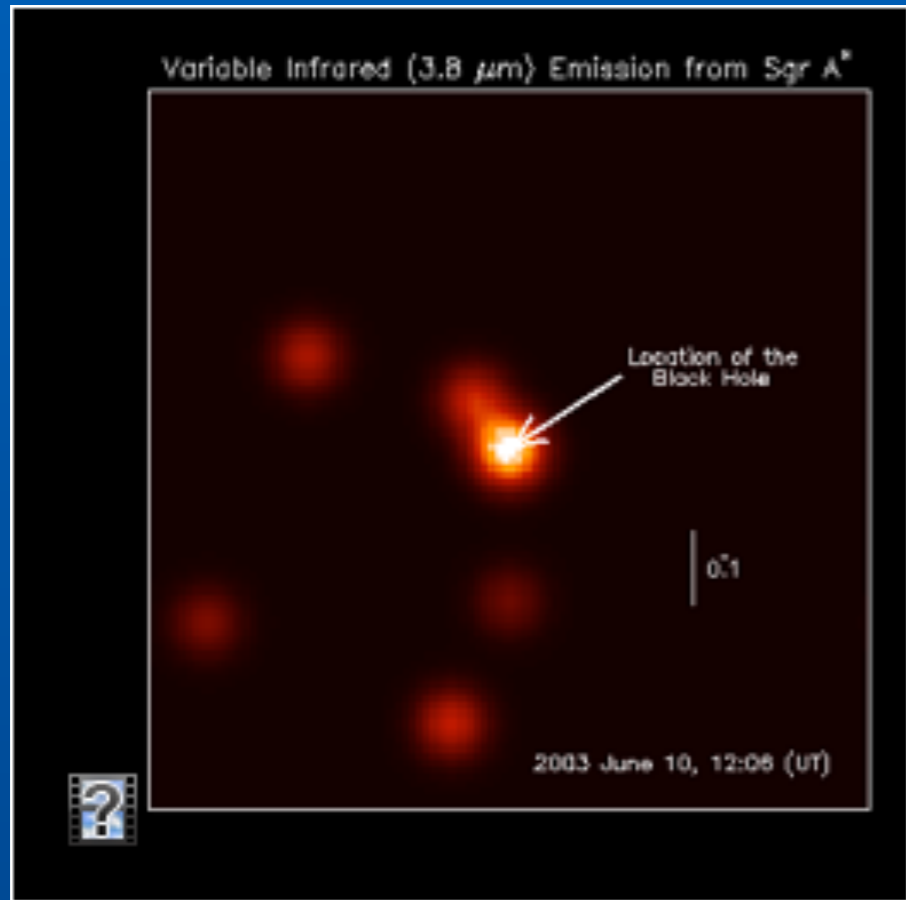
# Unveiling the first black holes



**Ricarte+; Pacucci+; Cappelluti+; Agarwal+; Haiman+; Tanaka+; Johnson+; Park+; Ricotti+; Khochfar+; Di Matteo+; Yoshida+ Schneider+Dubois+; Bournoud+; Ferrara+; Bromm+; Milosavljevic+; Ricotti+; Norman+; Omukai+; Inayoshi+; Regan+; Sijacki+; Loeb+; Habuzit+; Smith+; Volonteri+; Abel+; Wise+; Latif+; Whalen+; Trakhtenbrot+; Weigel+; Schawinski+**

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# MULTI-WAVELENGTH DATA FOR ACTIVE & QUIESCENT BHs



$$M_{\text{BH}} \sim 10^6 - 9 M_{\text{sun}}$$

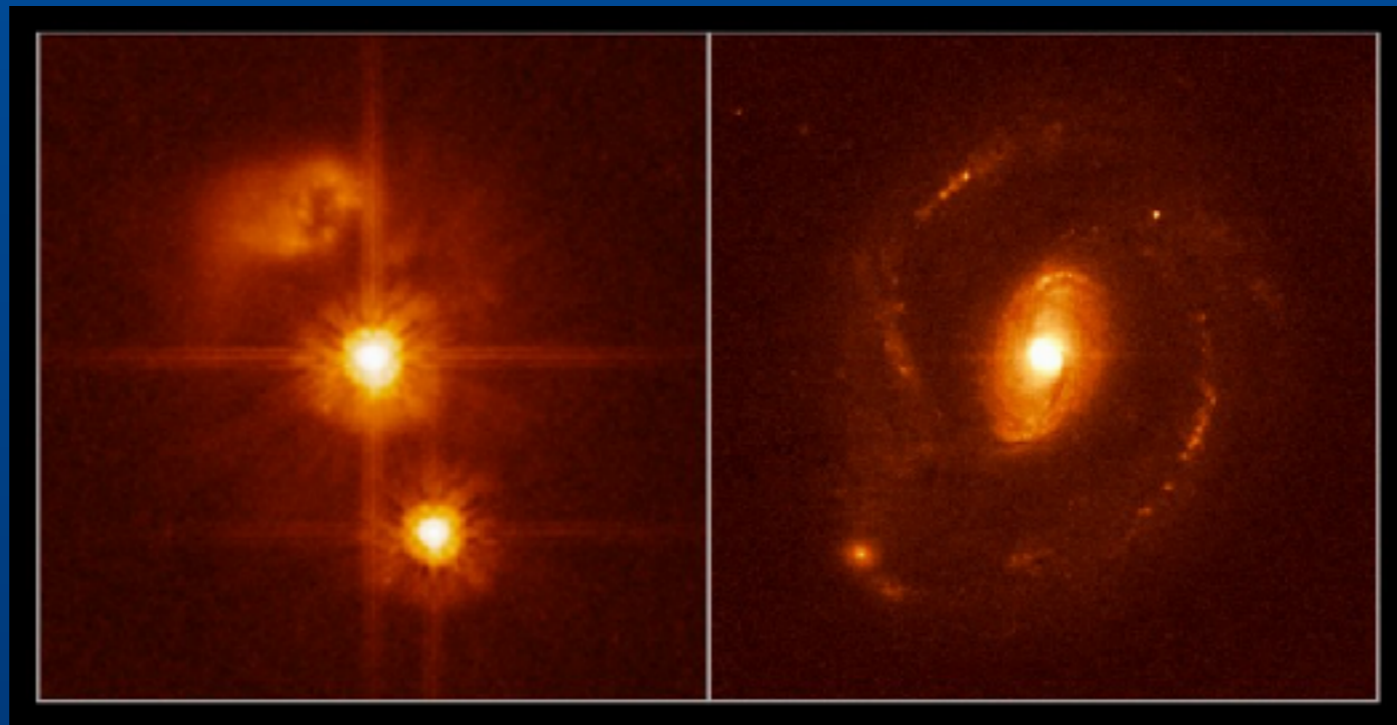
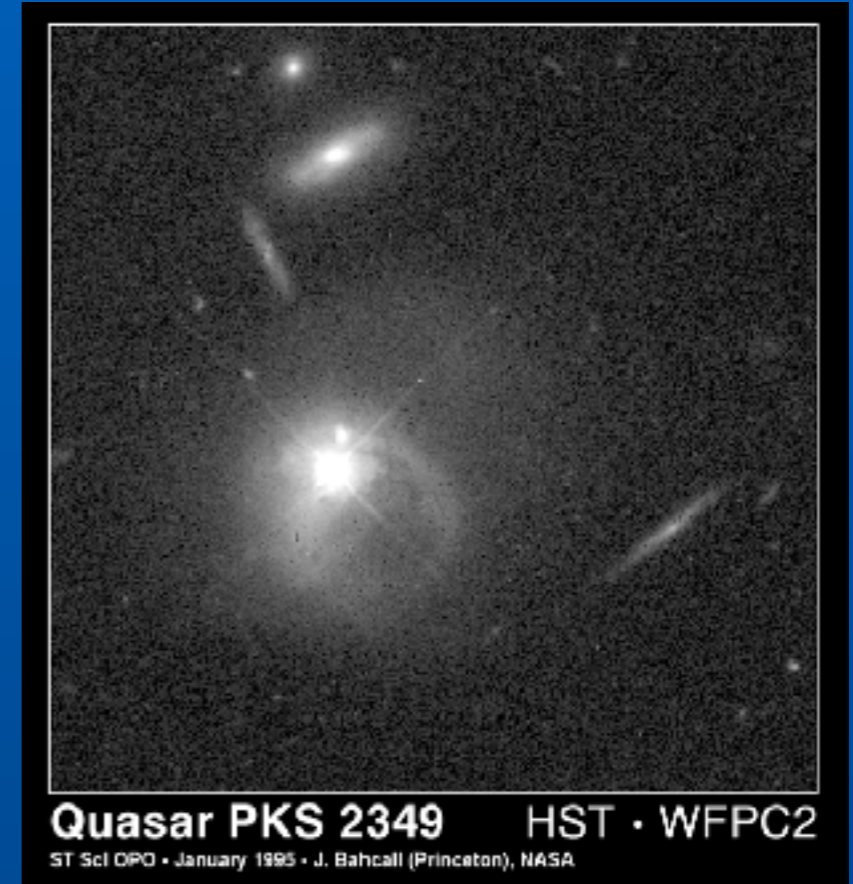
$$\text{even } 10^{10} M_{\text{sun}}$$

$$z \sim 0 - 7$$

$$z=7$$

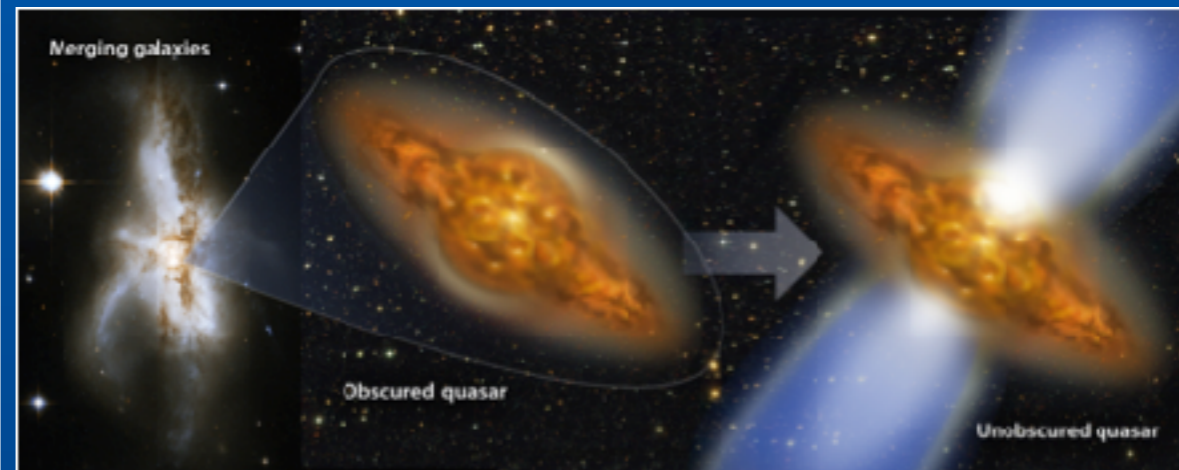
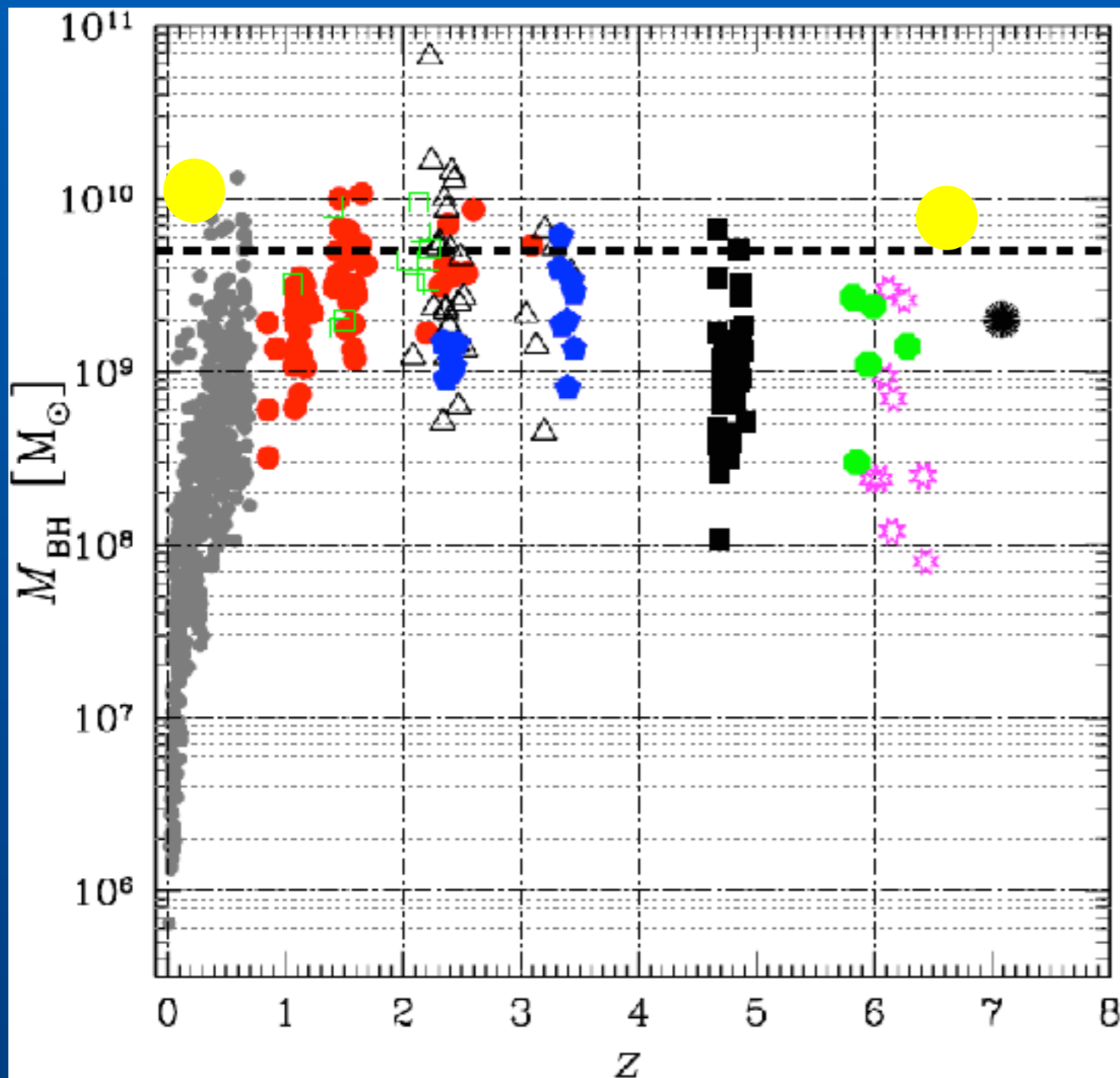
756 Myr after

the Big Bang



Urry+; Treister+;  
 Scoville+;  
 Sanders;  
 Faber+; Wu+;  
 Fan+;  
 Ferguson+;  
 Harrison+;  
 Hasinger+;  
 Comastri+; Gilli+

# The Most Massive Black Holes in the Universe



Lauer+ 05, 06; Bernardi+ 06; PN & Treister 09; McConnell+ 11,12; PN & Volonteri 13  
Marziani & Sulentic 12; Mortlock+ 14; Wu+ 2015; Kulier+15; Thomas+ 16

# BHMF FOR BLQSOs FROM SDSS $1 < z < 4.5$

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Kelly et al.

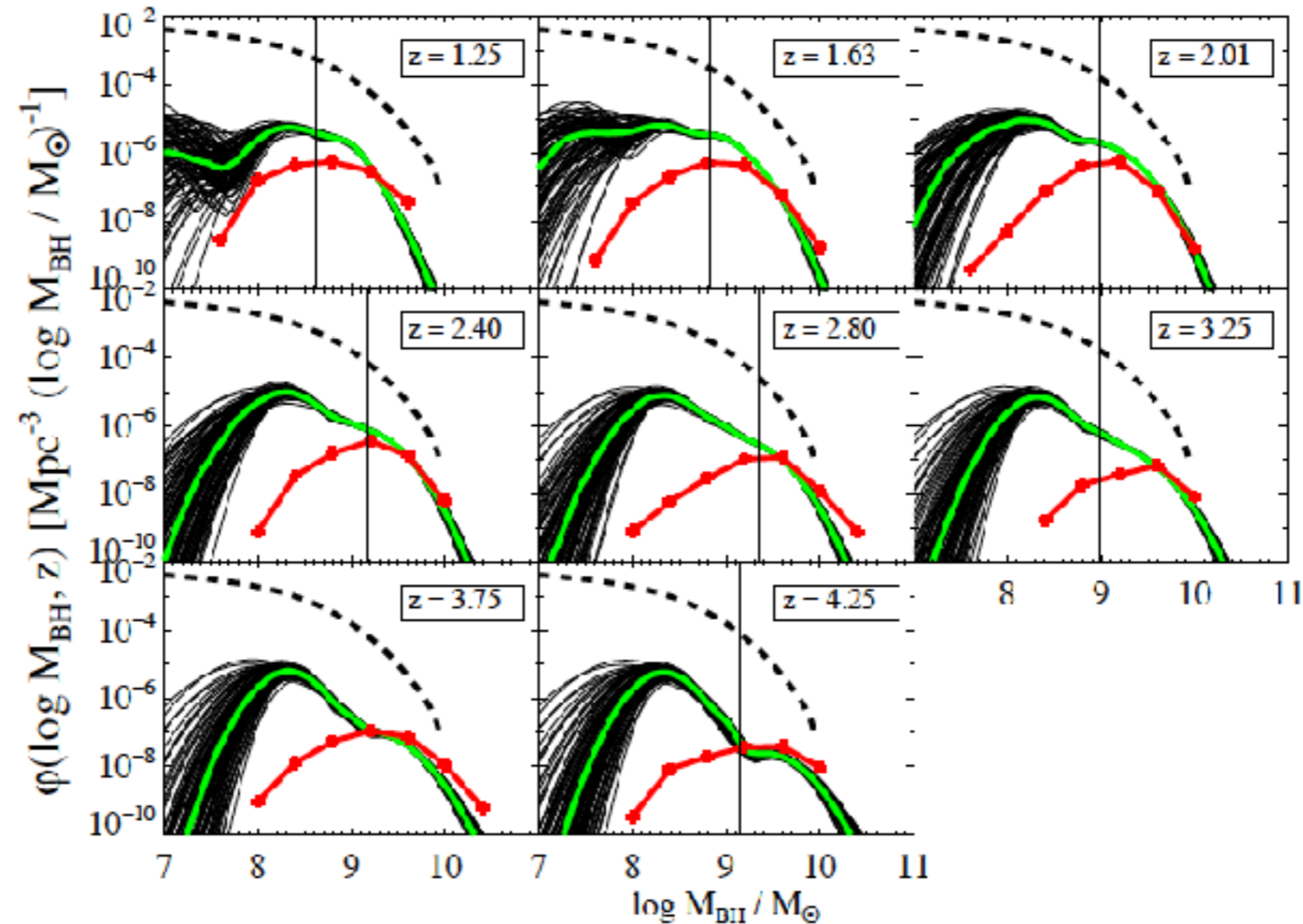
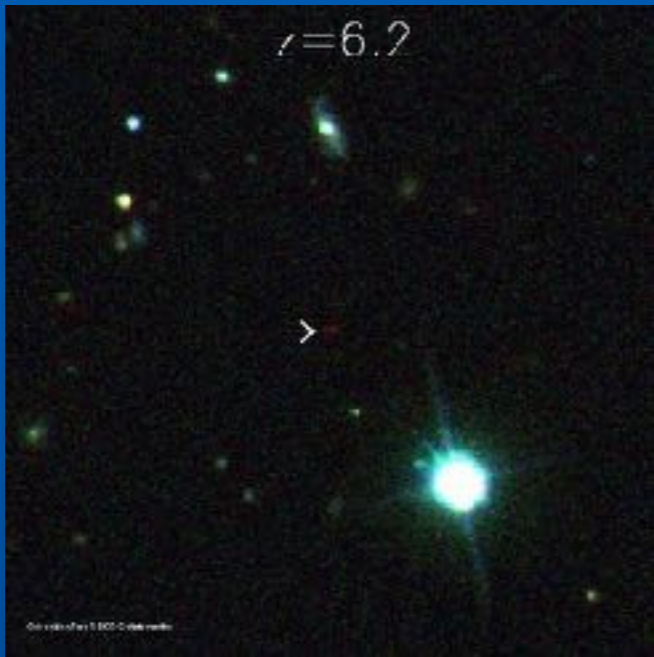


FIG. 3.— BLQSO BHMF (thin solid lines) obtained using our Bayesian approach, compared with the local BHMF for all SMBHs (dashed line), and the BHMF from Vestergaard et al. (2003, solid red line with points); as in Figure 1, each thin solid line denotes a random draw of the BHMF from its probability distribution. The thick green line is the median of the BHMF random draws, and may be considered our ‘best-fit’ estimate. The vertical line marks the mass at which the SDSS DR3 sample becomes 10% complete.

# HIGH-z QUASARS & THE TIMING CRUNCH TO ASSEMBLE SMBHs

Bright quasars host  $10^9 - 10^{10} M_{\text{sun}}$  BHs



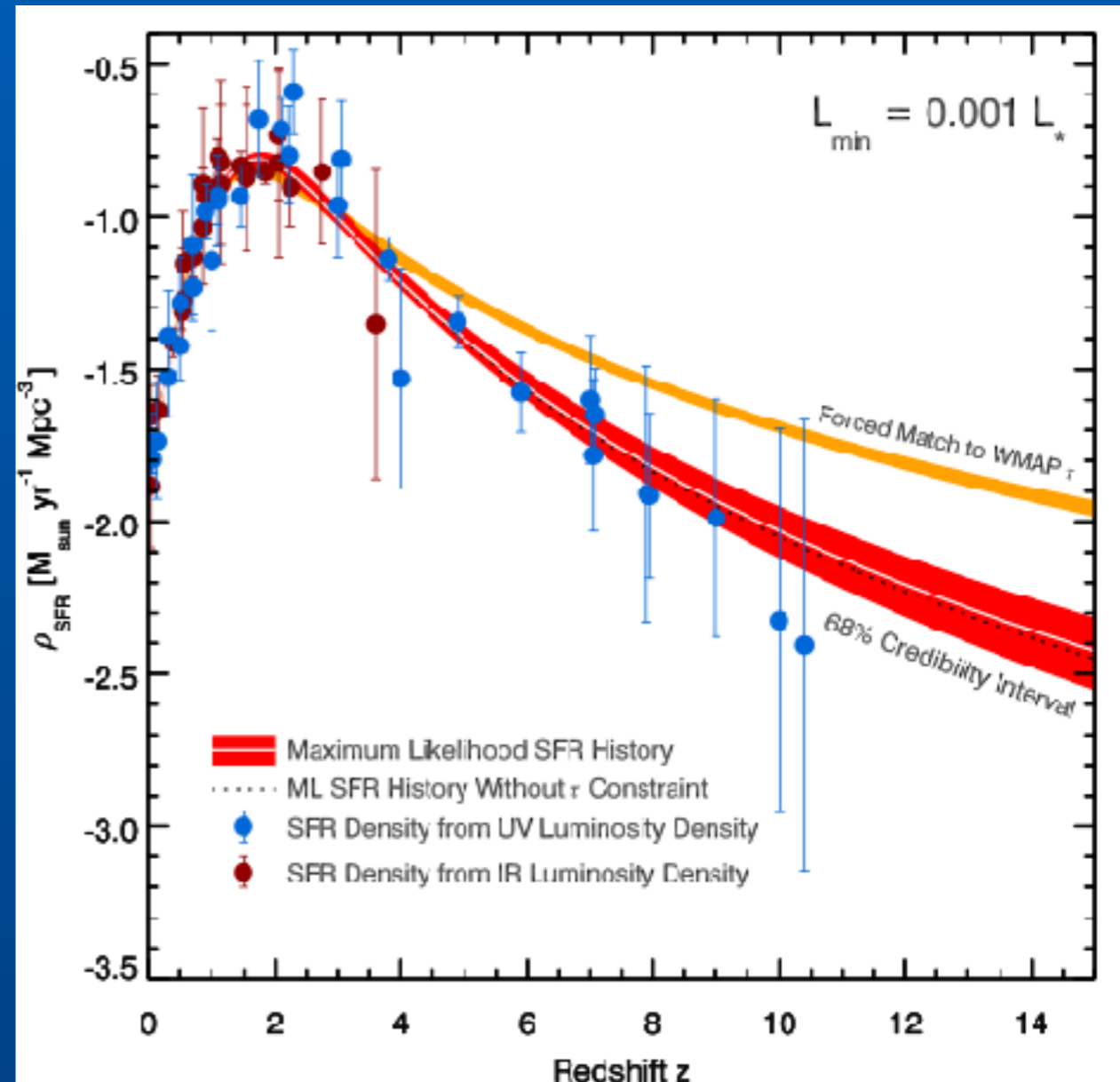
Age of the universe 1 Gyr

Eddington limit growth rate of mass

$$\frac{dM}{dt} = \frac{L_{\text{acc}}}{\eta c^2} < \frac{4\pi GMm_p}{\eta \alpha \sigma_T}$$

$$M \leq M_0 e^{\frac{t}{\tau}}$$

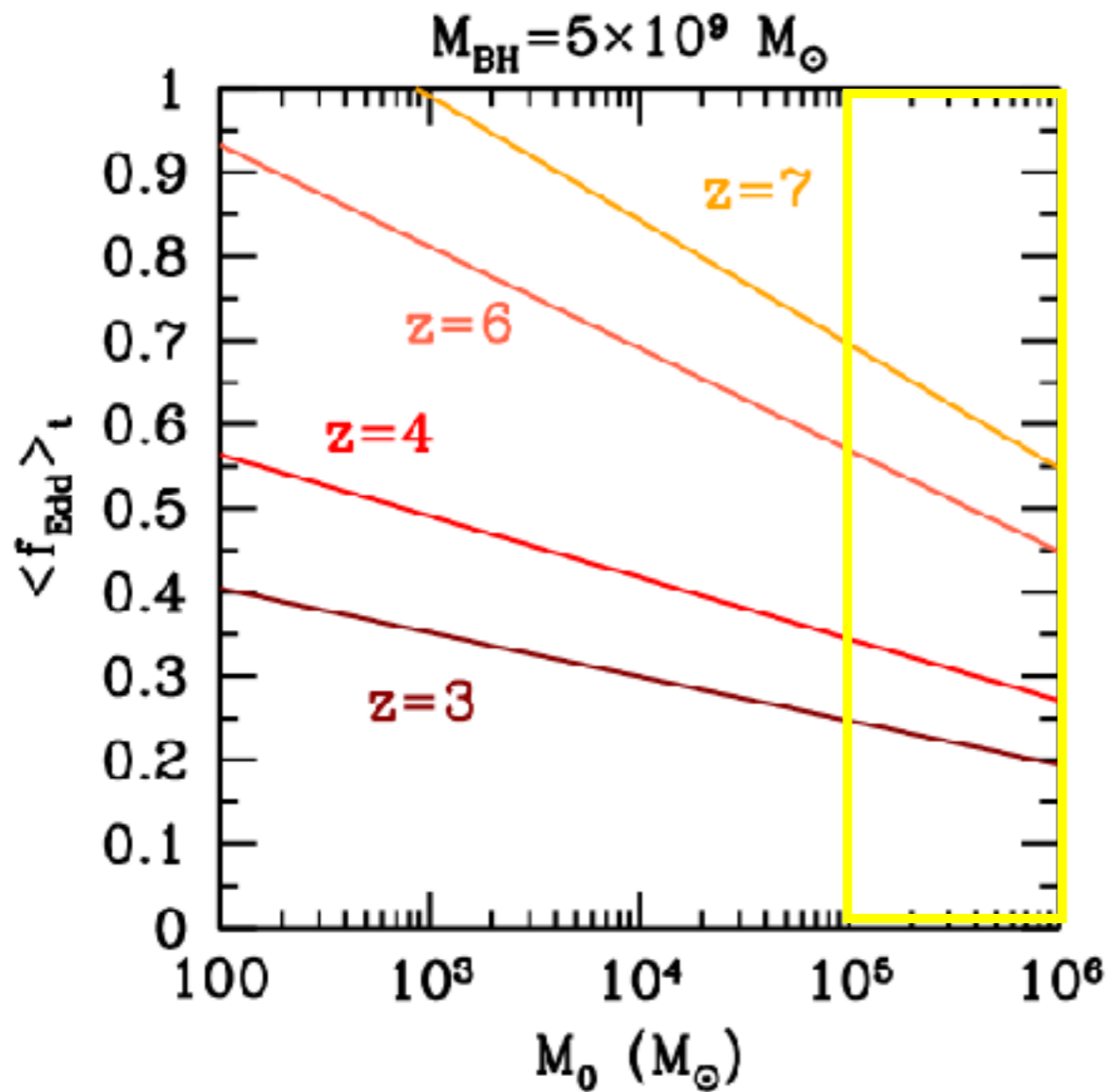
$$\tau = \frac{\eta \alpha \sigma_T}{4\pi G m_p} \approx 5 \times 10^7 \text{ yr}$$



LATEST PLANCK RESULTS: first stars form even later!

Wu+ 15; Robertson+ 15; Planck+ XIII 15

# MASS GROWTH OF BH SEEDS: TIME CRUNCH



$$\langle f_{\text{Edd}} \rangle_t = \frac{t_{\text{Edd}}}{t_{\text{Hubble}}(z)} \frac{\epsilon}{1 - \epsilon} \ln \left( \frac{M_{\text{BH}}}{M_0} \right).$$

$$L = \epsilon \dot{M}_{\text{in}} c^2 = f_{\text{Edd}} L_{\text{Edd}} c^2,$$

AGE OF THE UNIVERSE AT  $z = 7$  [ 771 Myr];  $z = 4$  [1.57 Gyr];  $z = 3$  [2.9 Gyr]

# CONDITIONS REQUIRED TO ASSEMBLE THE MOST MASSIVE BLACK HOLES AT ALL EPOCHS

- Massive initial BH seeds – rapid early growth – at high  $z$  (trade-off between obscured growth vs. massive initial seeds)
- Brief periods of super-Eddington accretion early on
- Periods of obscured growth during merger triggered phases

# SYNOPSIS OF CURRENT VIEW ON BH SEEDS TO MAKE THE MOST MASSIVE HIGH- $z$ BHs

MASSIVE SEEDS  
DCBHs

Pre-galactic disk  
Bars within bars

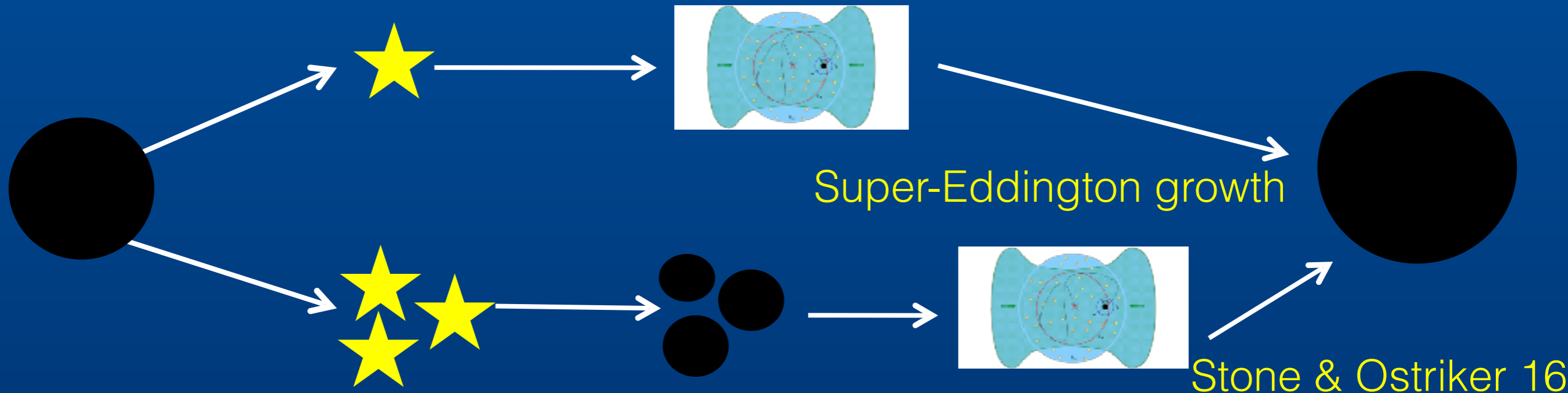
suppress  $H_2$  cooling

Super-Eddington growth

Quasi-star?

During Mergers  
Mayer+

$10^4 - 10^6 M_{\text{sun}}$   
@  $z \sim 10 - 12$





## LIGHT SEEDS

PopIII



$\sim 10^{1-2} M_{\text{sun}}$

## MASSIVE SEEDS

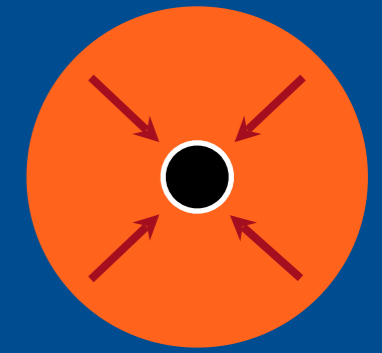
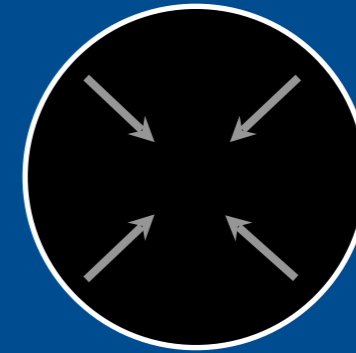
Direct collapse

Nuclear star cluster



$\sim 10^3 M_{\text{sun}}$

Supermassive Star



Quasi star

$\sim 10^{4-6} M_{\text{sun}}$

Uncertainty in the masses  
of the first stars

A challenge to grow  
monster BHs seen by  $t < 2$   
Gyrs

New Planck results  
push first stars to later even  
 $\sim 550$  Myrs after  
the Big Bang

In protogalaxies: need to avoid fragmentation and star  
formation, need to centrally concentrate mass

- Metal-free gas
- Prevent molecular H-cooling

# First black holes in pre-galactic halos $z = 20-30$

$$M_{\text{BH}} \sim 1 - 100 M_{\text{sun}}$$

## LIGHT SEEDS

**Pop III remnants** : Simulations suggest that the first stars have a range of masses (Bromm+ 02 ; Abel+ 02; Abel+ 00; Alvarez+ 08; Hirano+ 14) Metal free Pop III stars leave remnant BHs

**Supra-exponential early growth boost**: Super-Eddington growth in nuclear star clusters at high- $z$  (Alexander & PN 14)

$$M_{\text{BH}} \sim 10^3 - 10^6 M_{\text{sun}}$$

## MASSIVE SEEDS

**Direct Collapse** – efficient viscous transport, H<sub>2</sub> cooling suppressed, Lyman-Werner radiation, formation of central concentration (Eisenstein & Loeb 95; Koushiappas+ 04)+ proper dynamical treatment of disk stability (Lodato & PN 06, 07)

**Supermassive star** (Haehnelt & Rees 93)

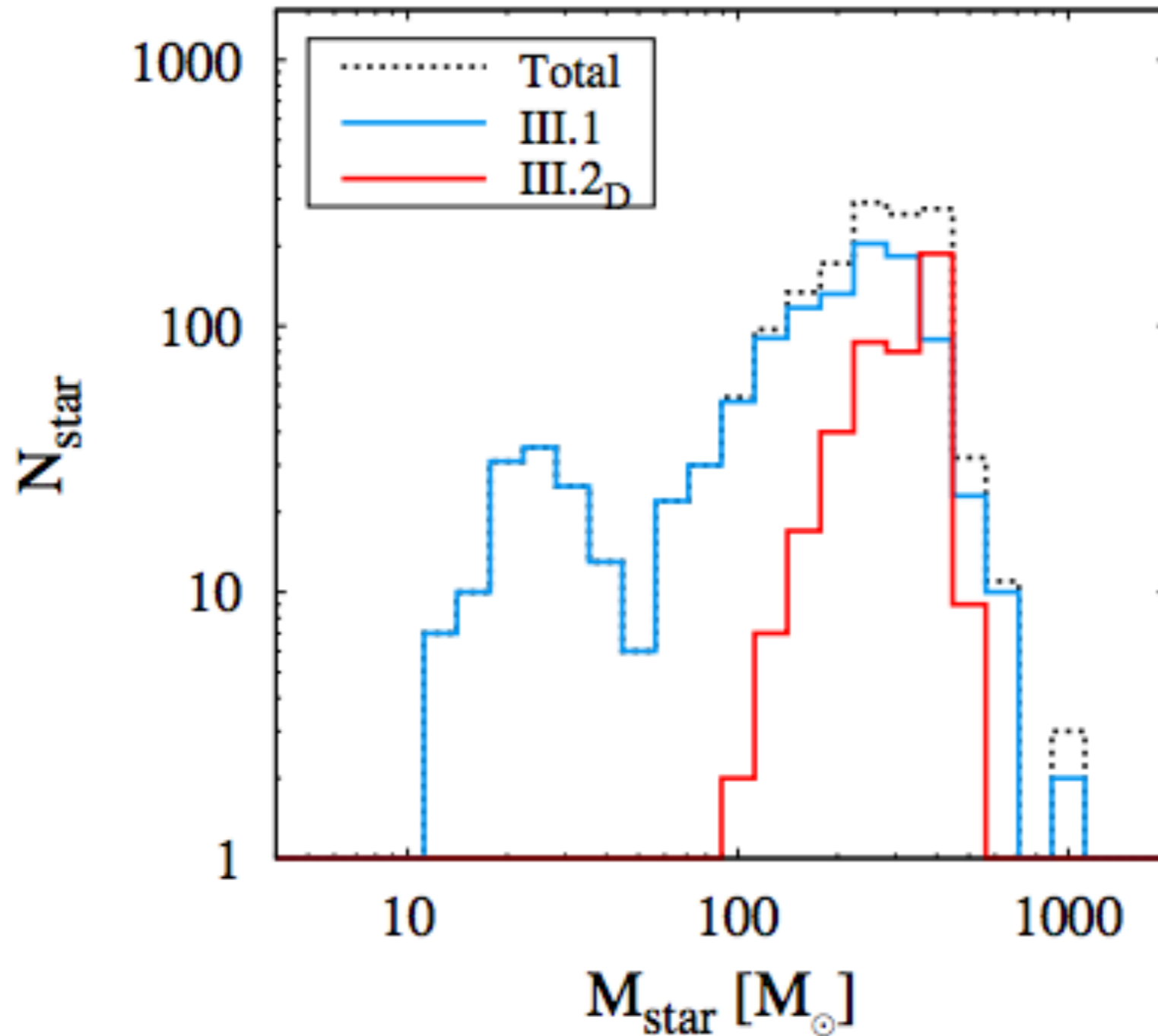
**Quasi-star** - Bar unstable self-gravitating gas + large quasi-star (Begelman 08; 10; 12)

## PRIMORDIAL BLACK HOLES

Post-Inflation formation of black holes during the phase transition that ends expansion (Khlopov+ 07; 09)

Unresolved CIRB, XRB Excess? CMBR distortions, no stringent constraints

# HOW MASSIVE ARE POP III STARS?

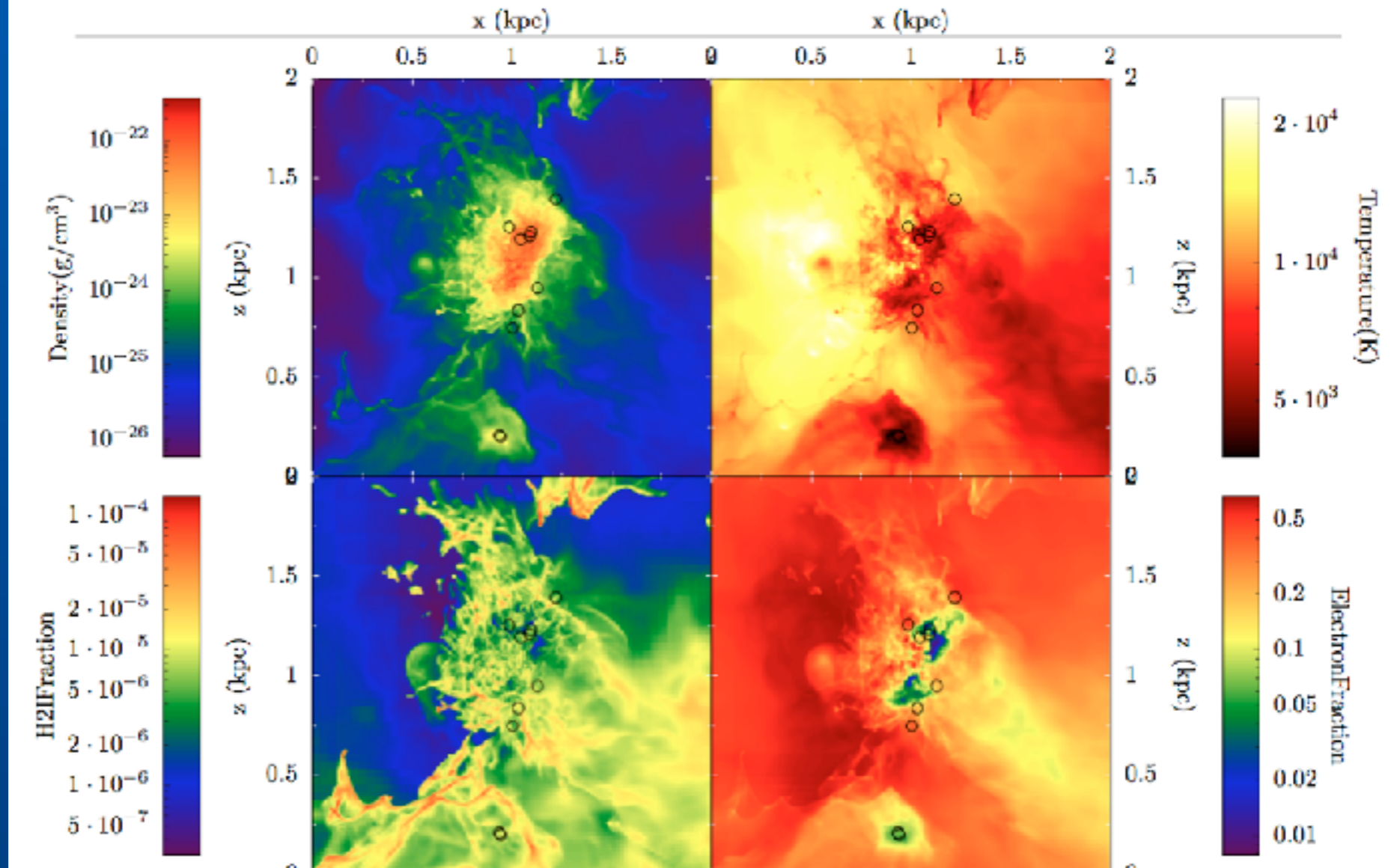


~ Mass distribution of Pop III stars formed at  $z = 30 \rightarrow 10$

# DO WE NEED MASSIVE BH SEEDS?

Tracking the fate of PopIII seeds in 2.5-sigma peaks

$z=8.2$  still no further growth. Halo:  $2 \times 10^8$  solar mass  
3 solar masses total on 25 black holes

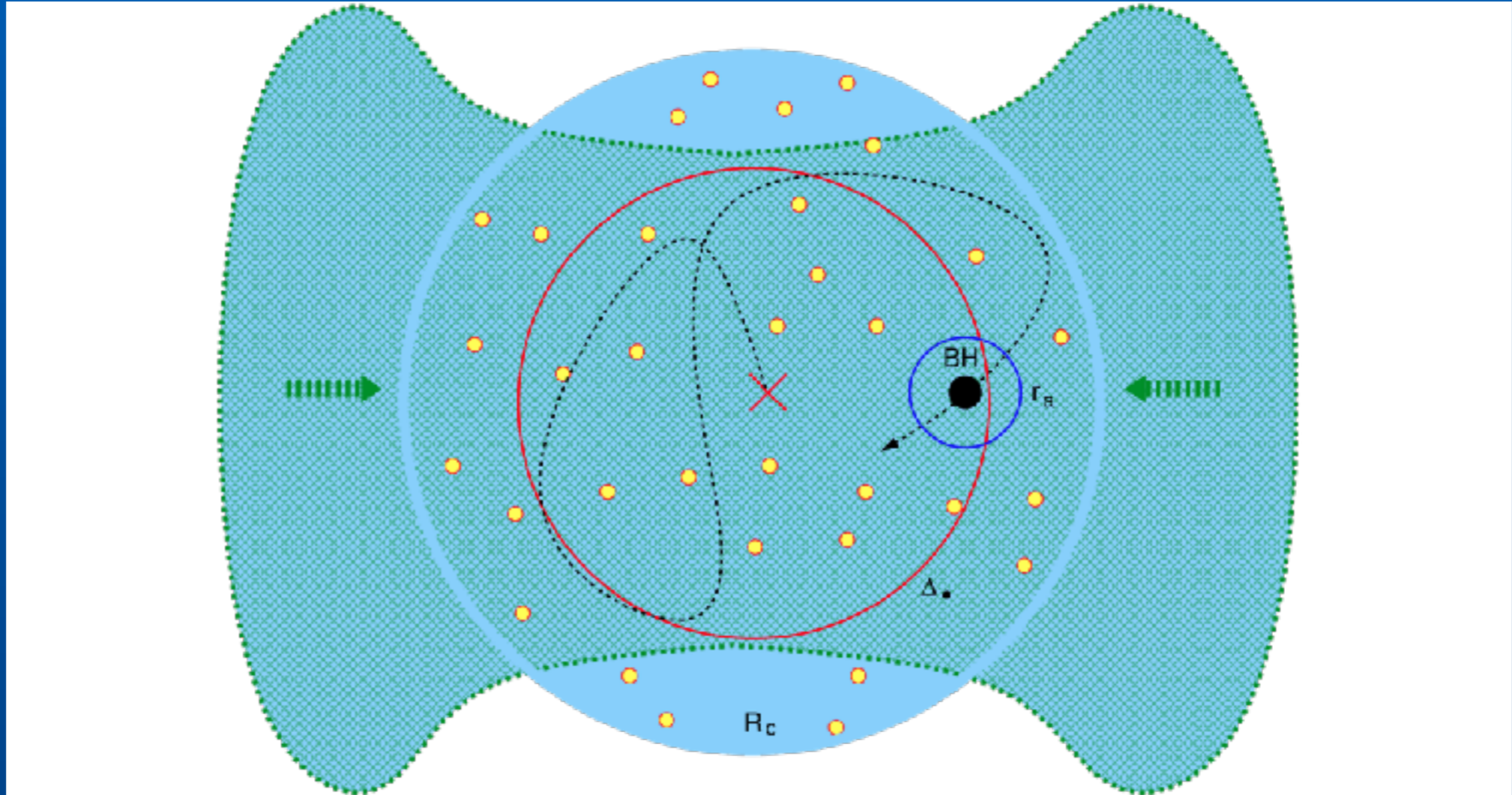


BHs simply not growing much down to  $z = 8$   
even when PopIII formation has ceased

BHs spend almost all their time in the wrong place  
in  $10^8 M_{\text{sun}}$  DM halos

Abel, Wise, Turk, Alvarez+; Stacy+

# SUPER BOOSTING EARLY BH GROWTH



Circumventing the Eddington limit

# BH seed formation at high z

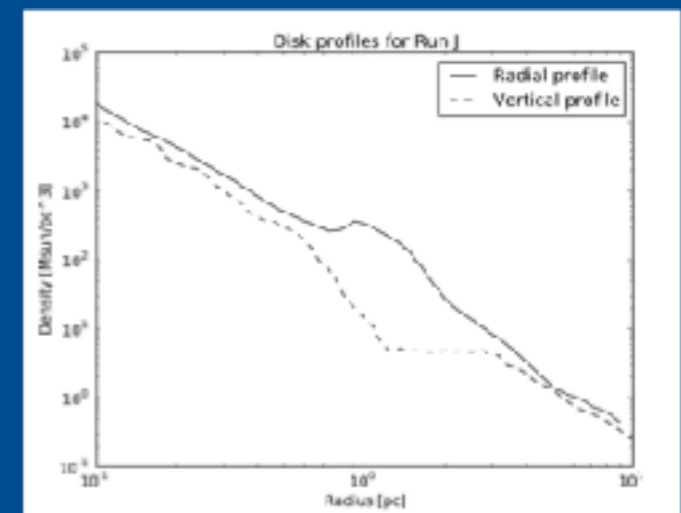
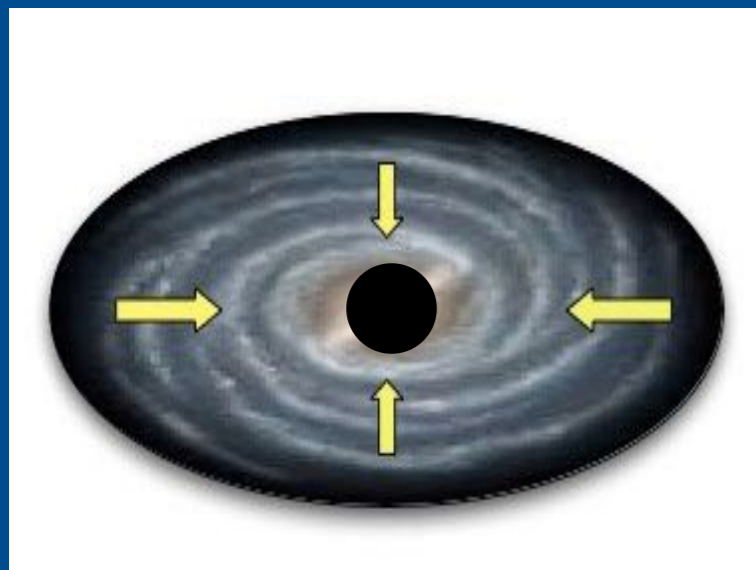
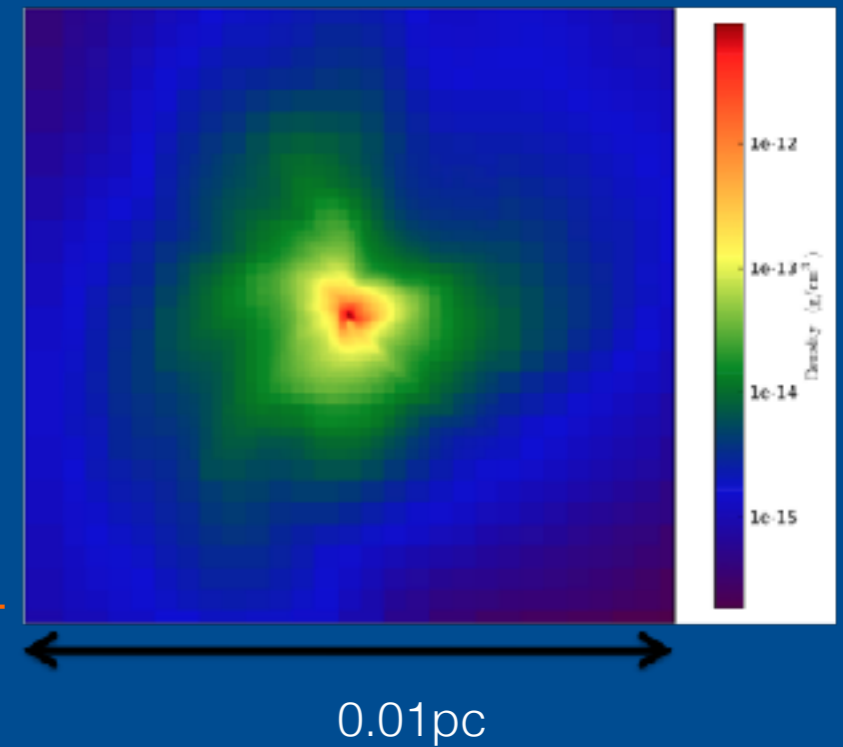
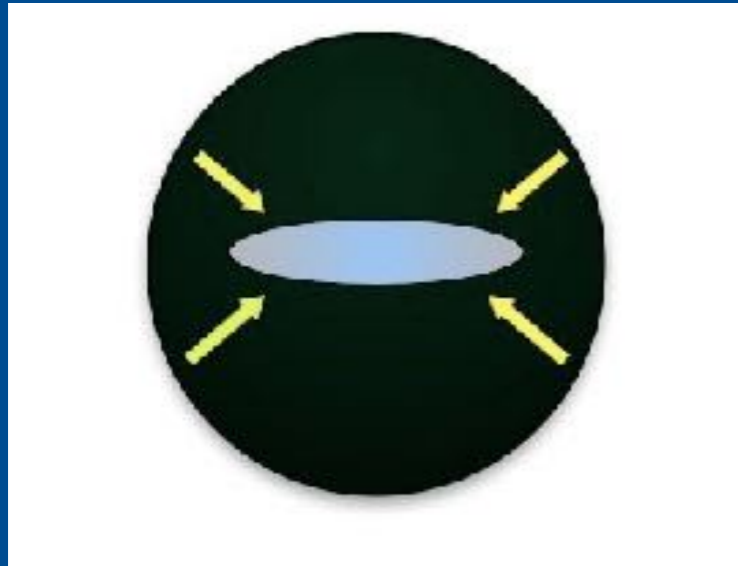
Baryons inside DM halo collapse and form a rotating pre-galactic disc

Disc becomes gravitationally unstable and accretes to the center

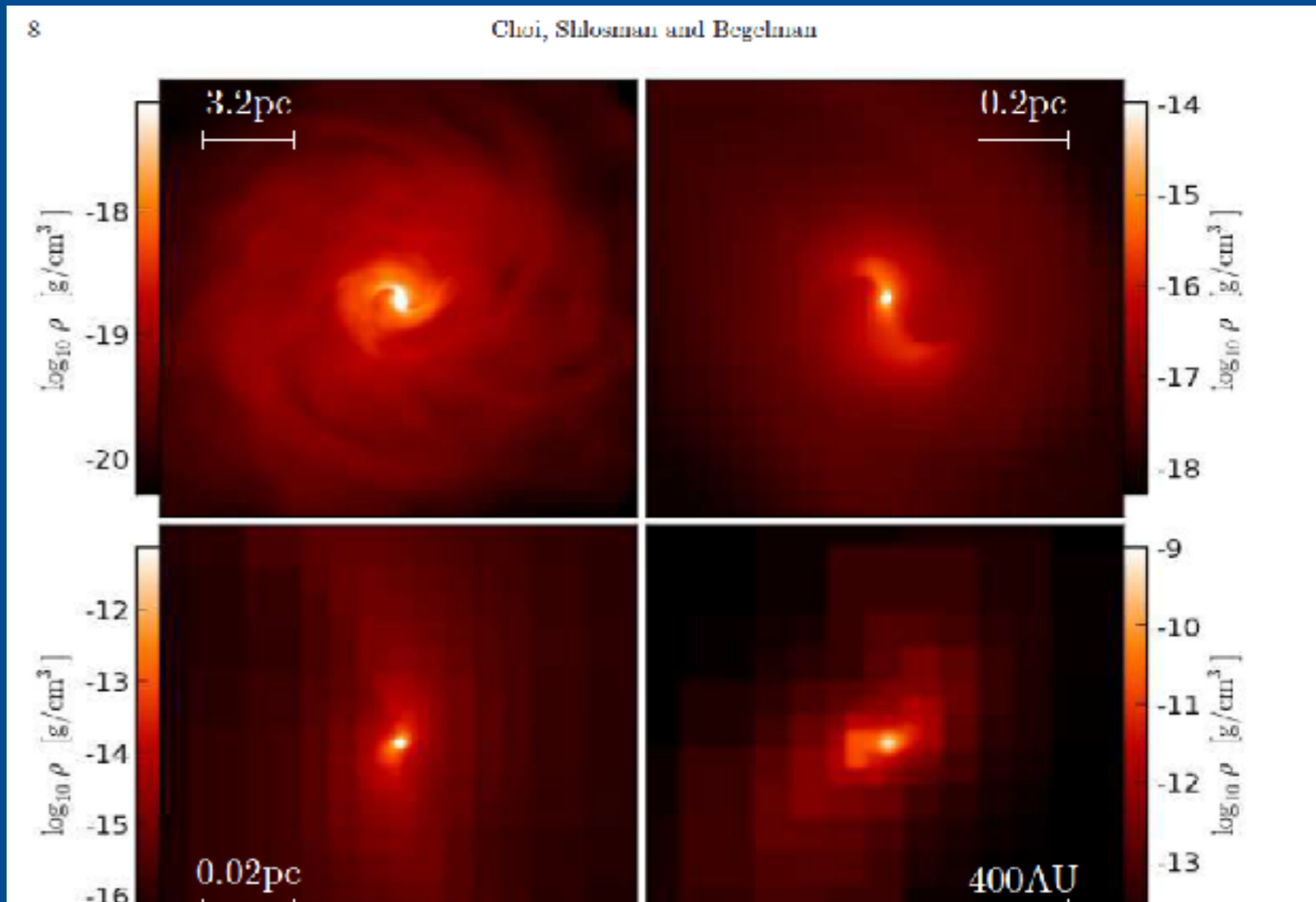
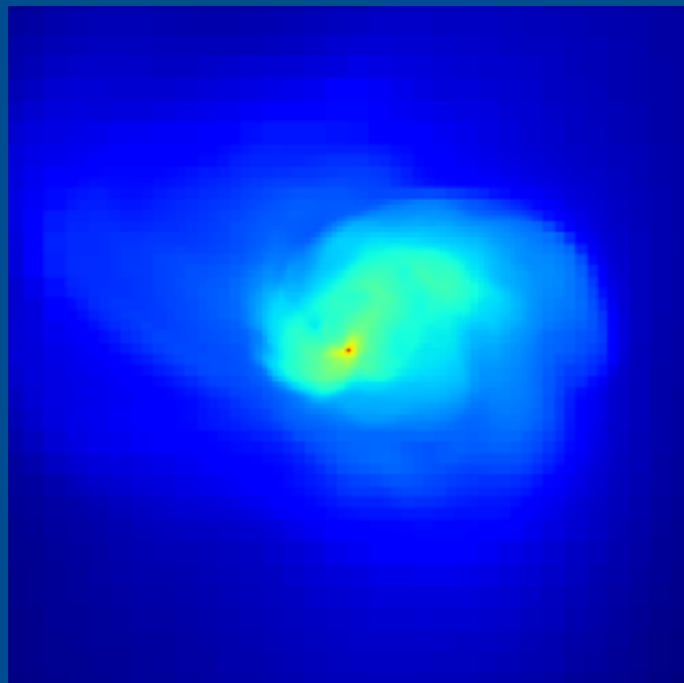
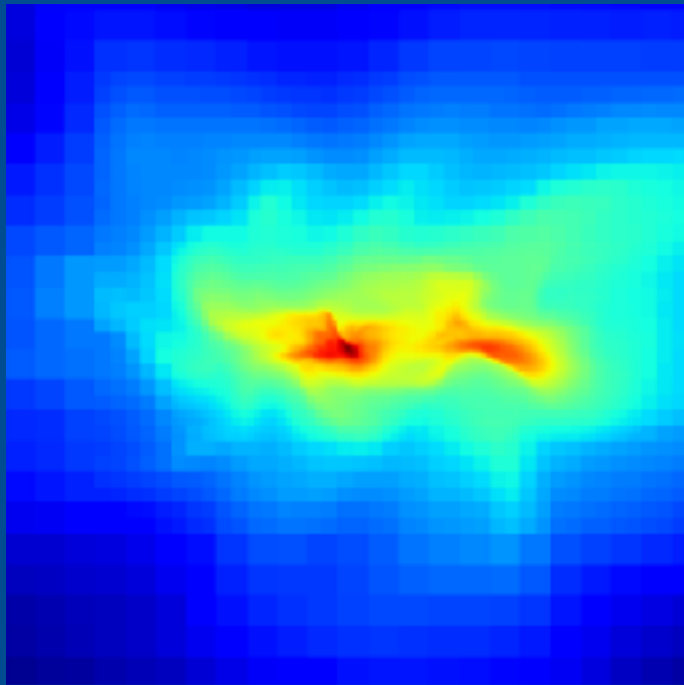
Angular mom of DM halo + Gas reservoir + dynamics (disc stability) + cooling

LYMAN WERNER PHOTONS FROM NEARBY SF HALO NEEDED TO DISSOCIATE MOL HYDROGEN TO PREVENT COOLING & FRAGMENTATION  
DCBHs FORM IN SATELLITE HALOS

FINAL DCBH MASS



# Massive BH seed formation simulations

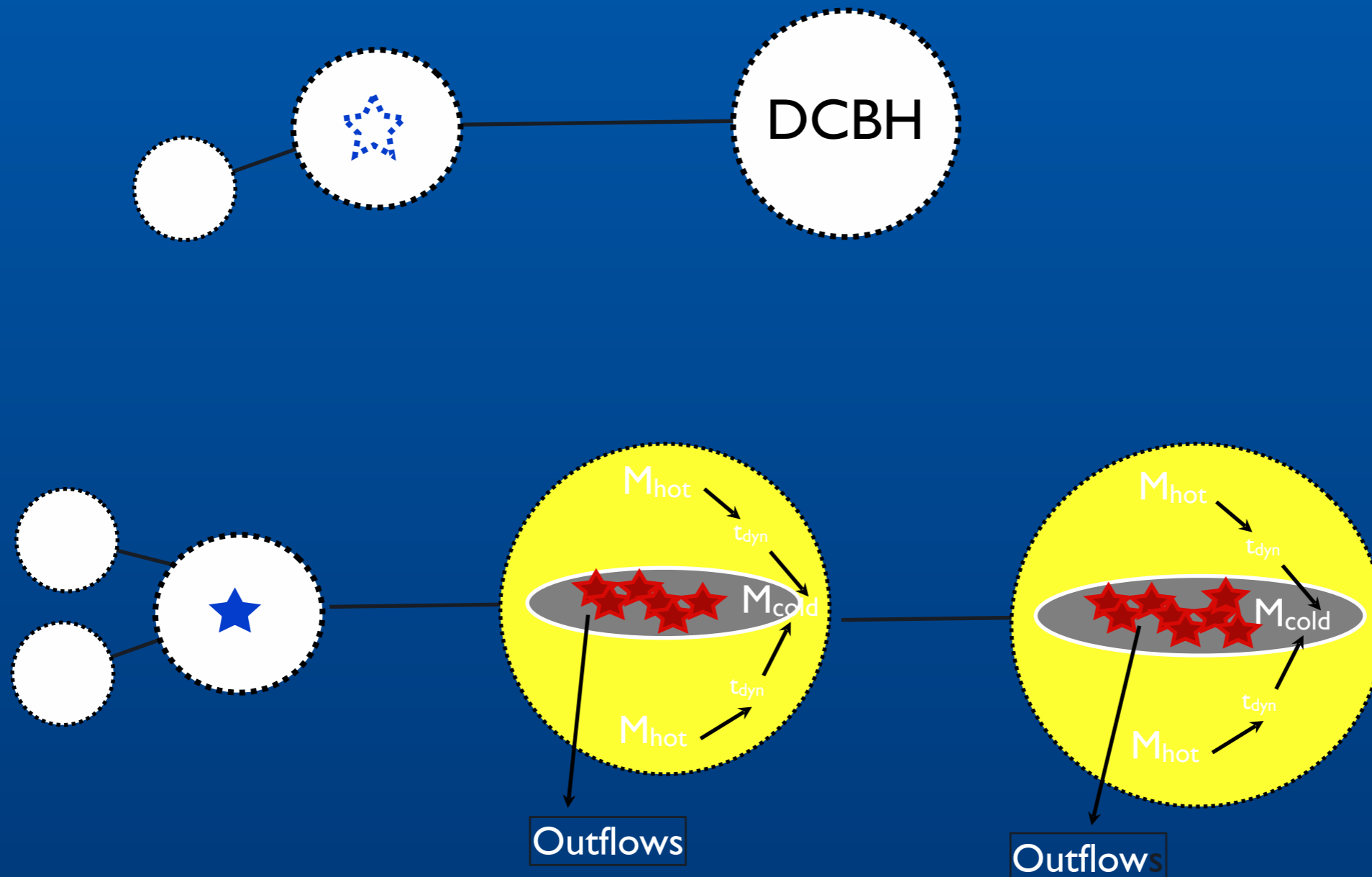


Regan+ 08; 13; Hirano+ 14; Davis & PN 12;  
Bournaud+; Habuzi+ 14, 15; 13; Hirano+ 14

Choi, Shlosman & Begelman 13

# OPTIMAL SITES FOR DCBH FORMATION

Low spin DM halos; satellite halos; Lyman-Werner radiation from nearby halos with star formation to dissociate mol H and prevent fragmentation



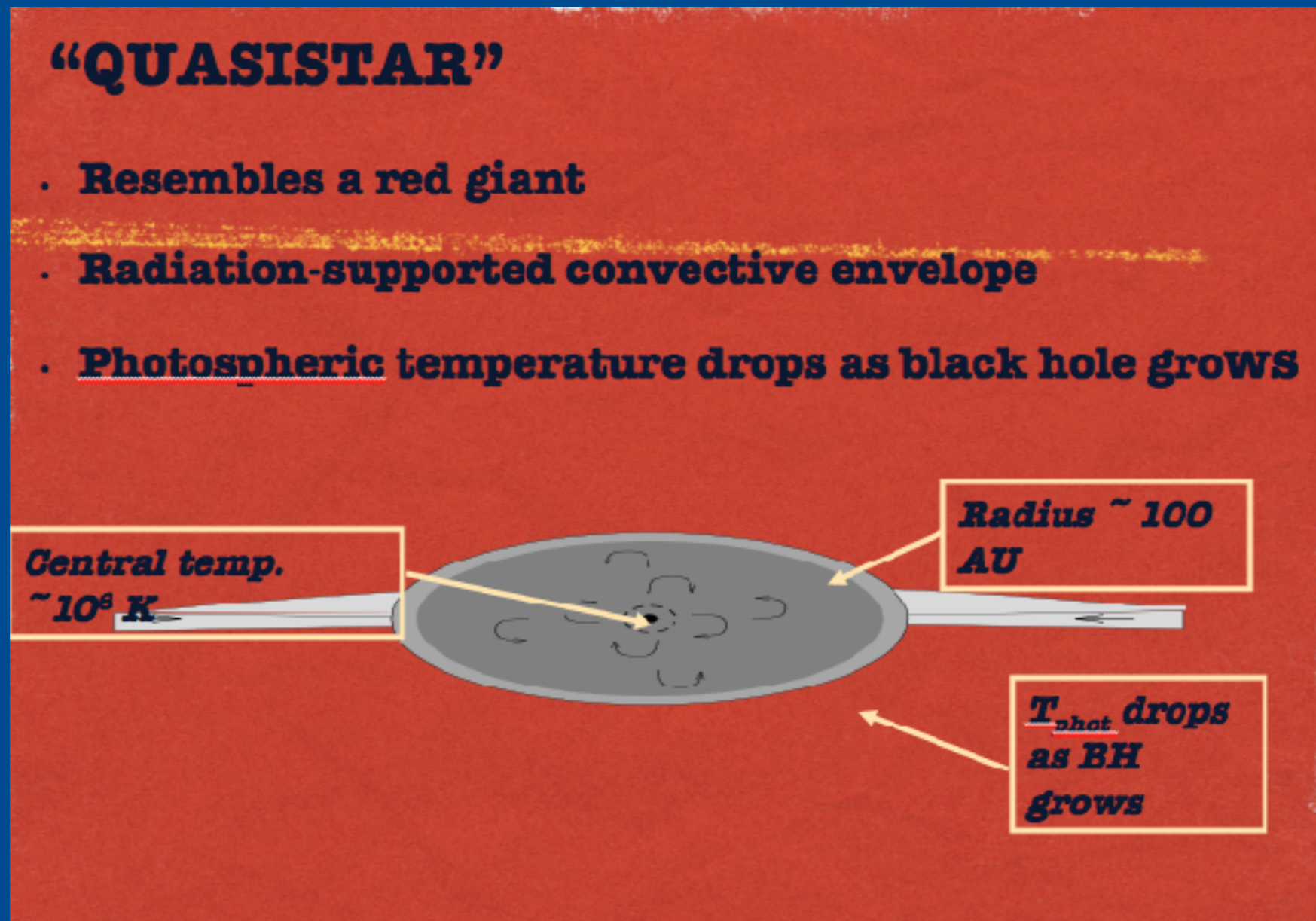


# Direct Collapse Black Holes



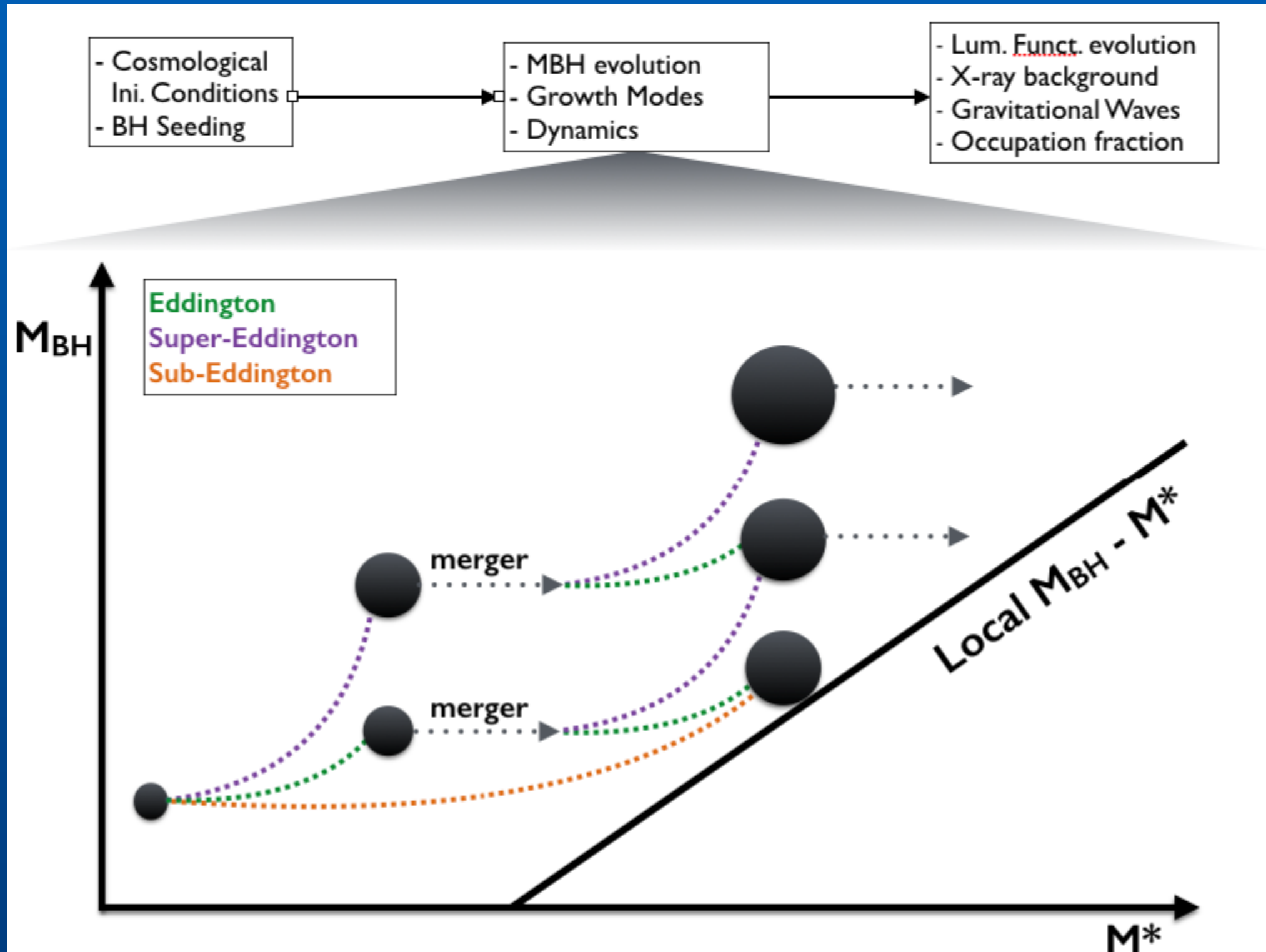
Metal Free gas in atomic cooling halos ( $T_{\text{vir}} > 10^4 \text{ K}$ ):

predominantly atomic H Avoid fragmentation into stars: high densities Prevent  $\text{H}_2$  formation (molecular hydrogen) in central region of halo; High level of LW radiation to dissociate  $\text{H}_2$ ; SMS/Quasi-star followed by black hole of mass  $\sim 10^4 M_{\text{solar}}$ ;  $N \sim 1\%$  of  $\sim 10^7\text{-}10^8 M_{\text{sun}}$  DM halos at  $z=15$  form such seeds

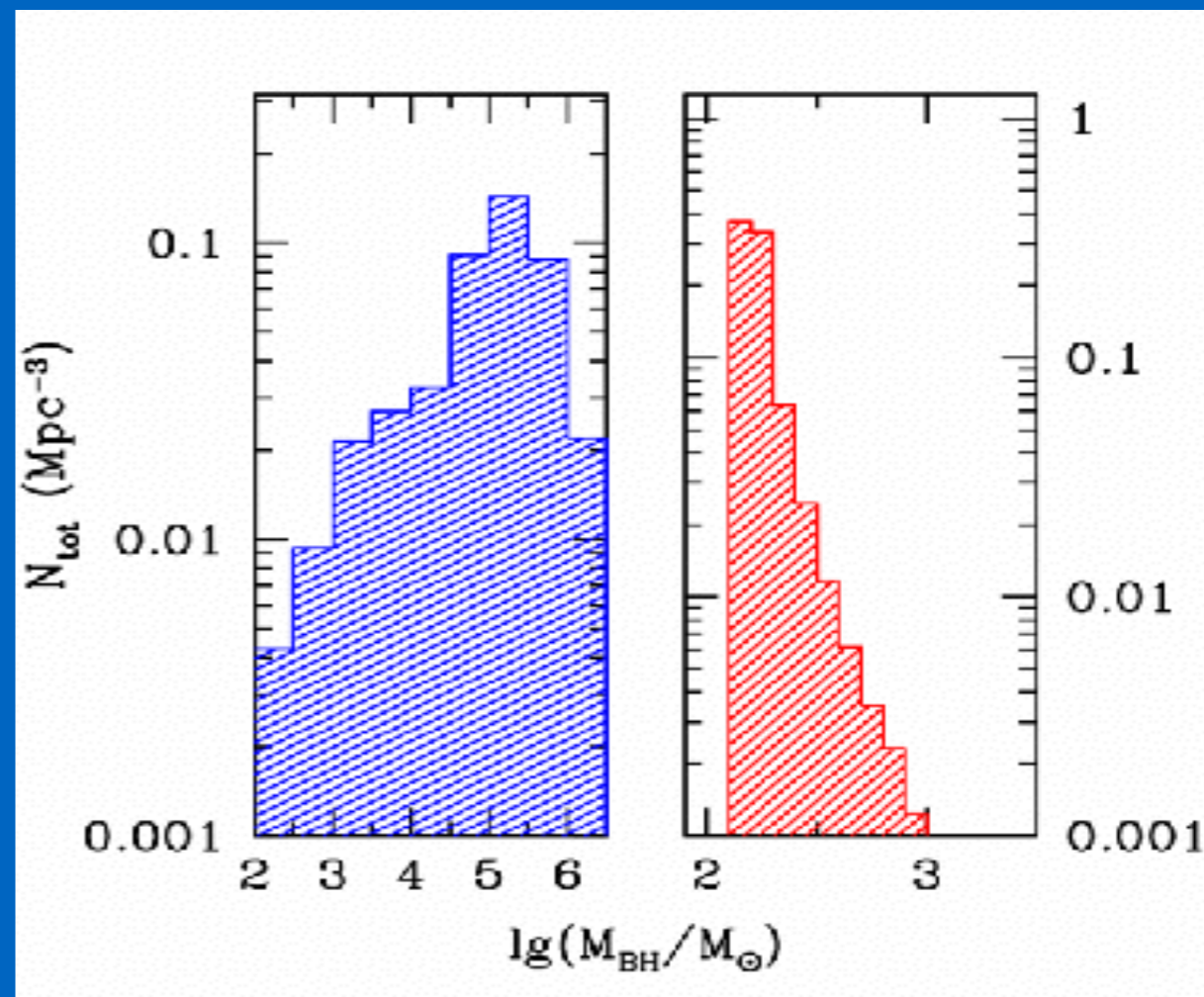
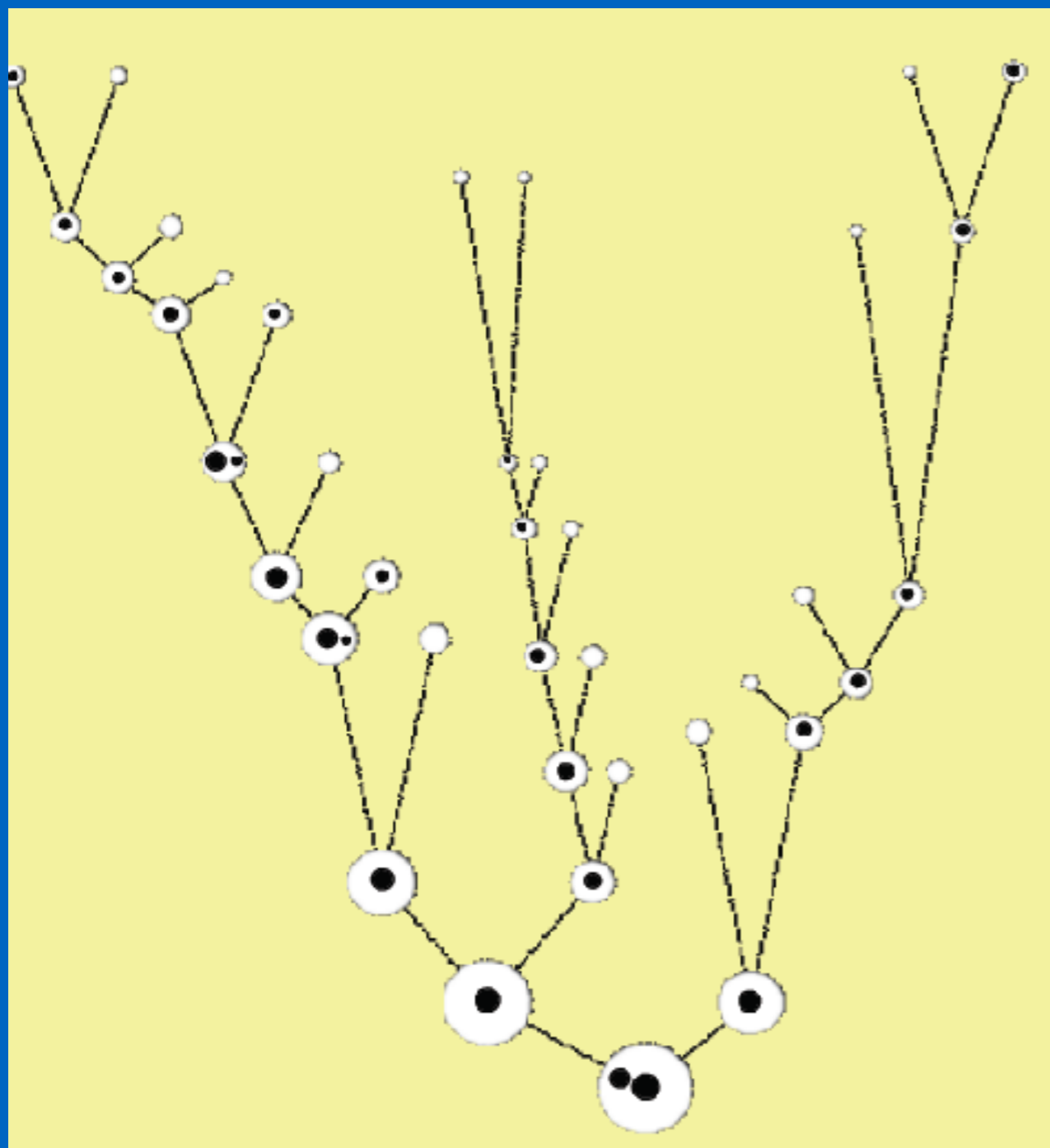


Oh & Haiman 2002; Bromm & Loeb 2003; Begelman et al. 2006; Lodato & PN 2006; 2007, Spaans & Silk 2006; Latif+; Johnson+

# Tracing the growth history of black holes in the universe



# Merger induced accretion + CDM merger trees + BH seeds



DCBH SEED PEAK MASS

# Standard Accretion

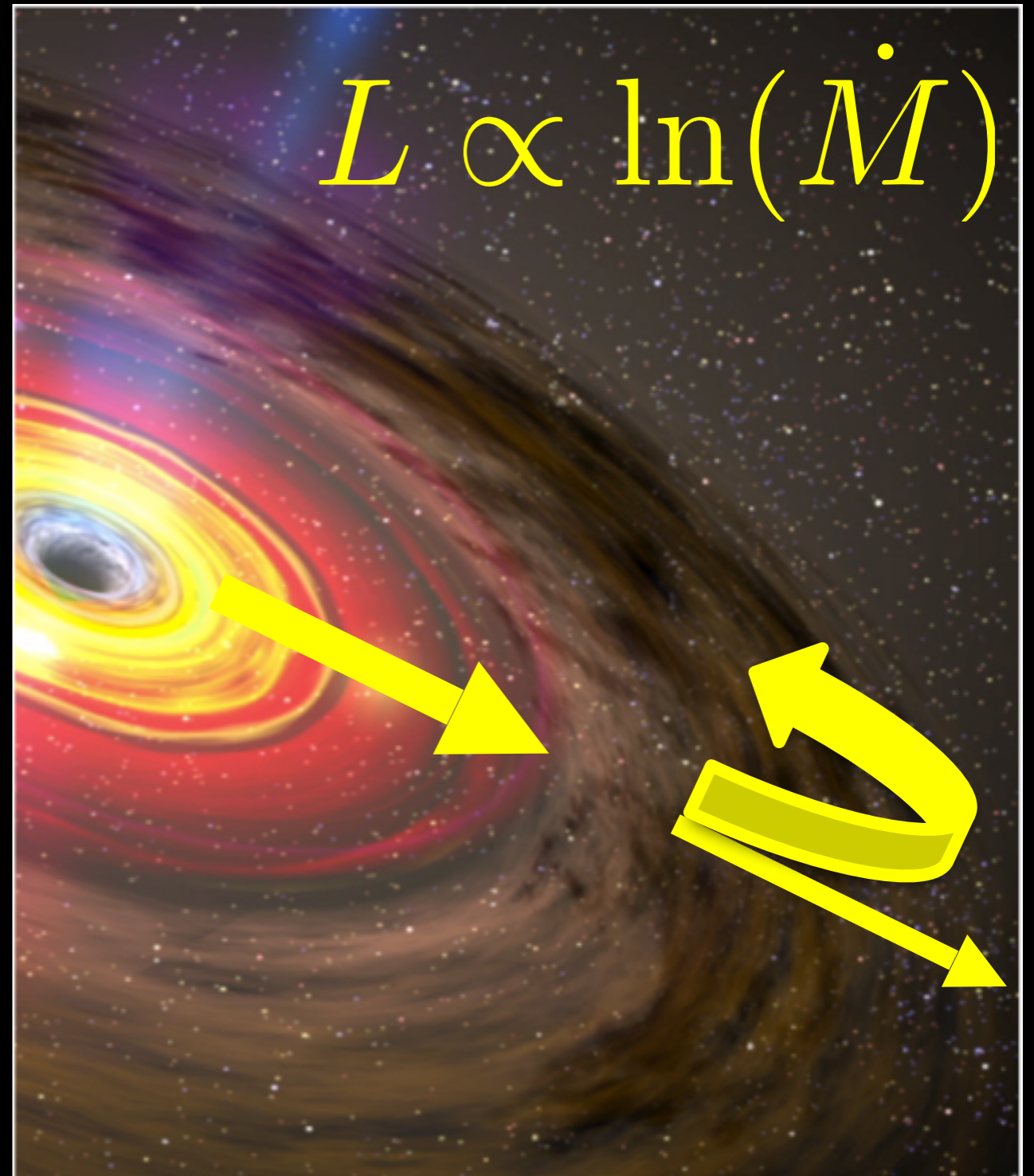
# Slim Disk Accretion

Steady trickle throughout cosmic time

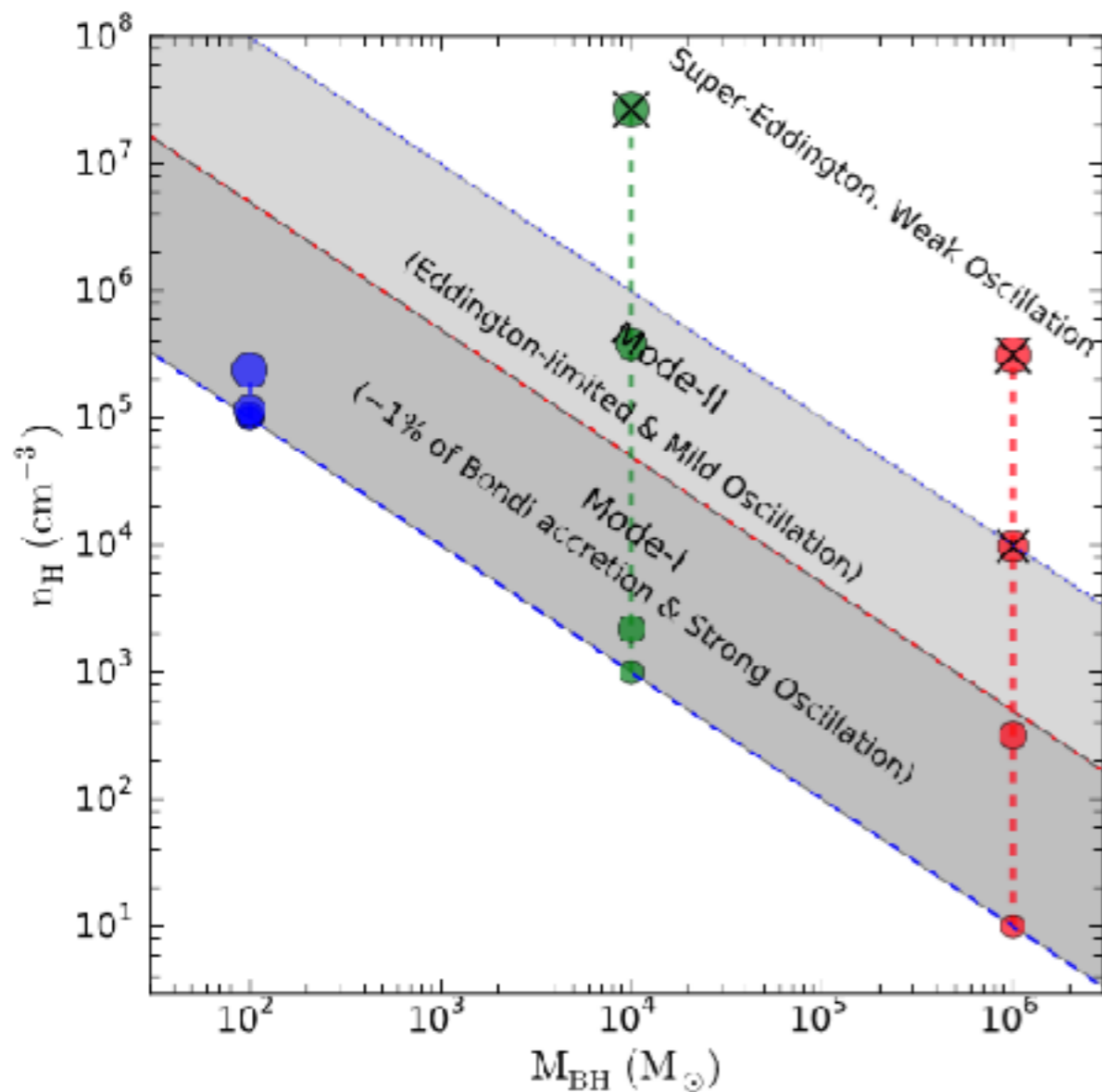
$$L \propto \dot{M}$$



$$L \propto \ln(\dot{M})$$



# Understanding what limits growth rates by accretion



**Growth is faster  
for larger  
black hole masses**

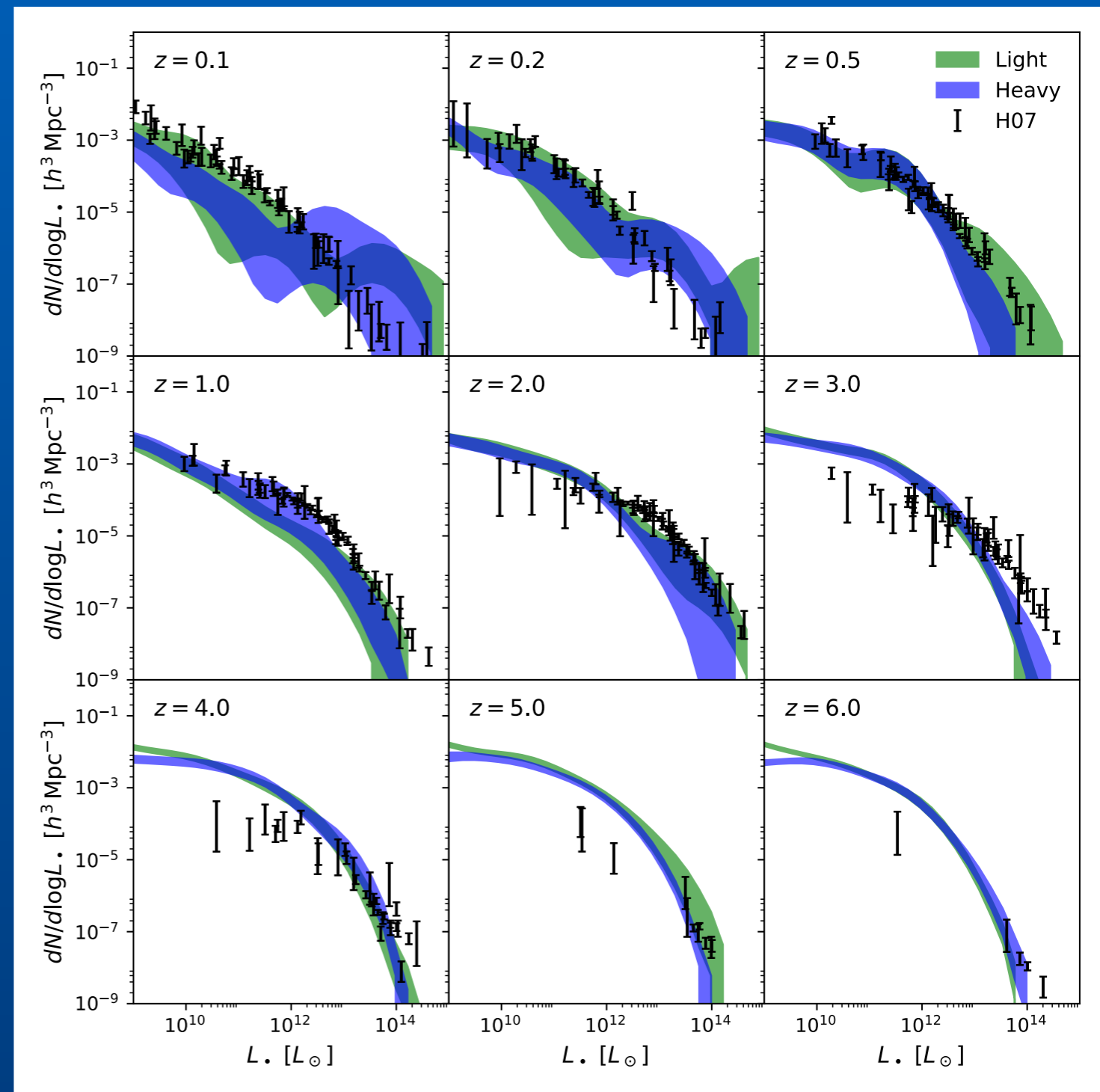
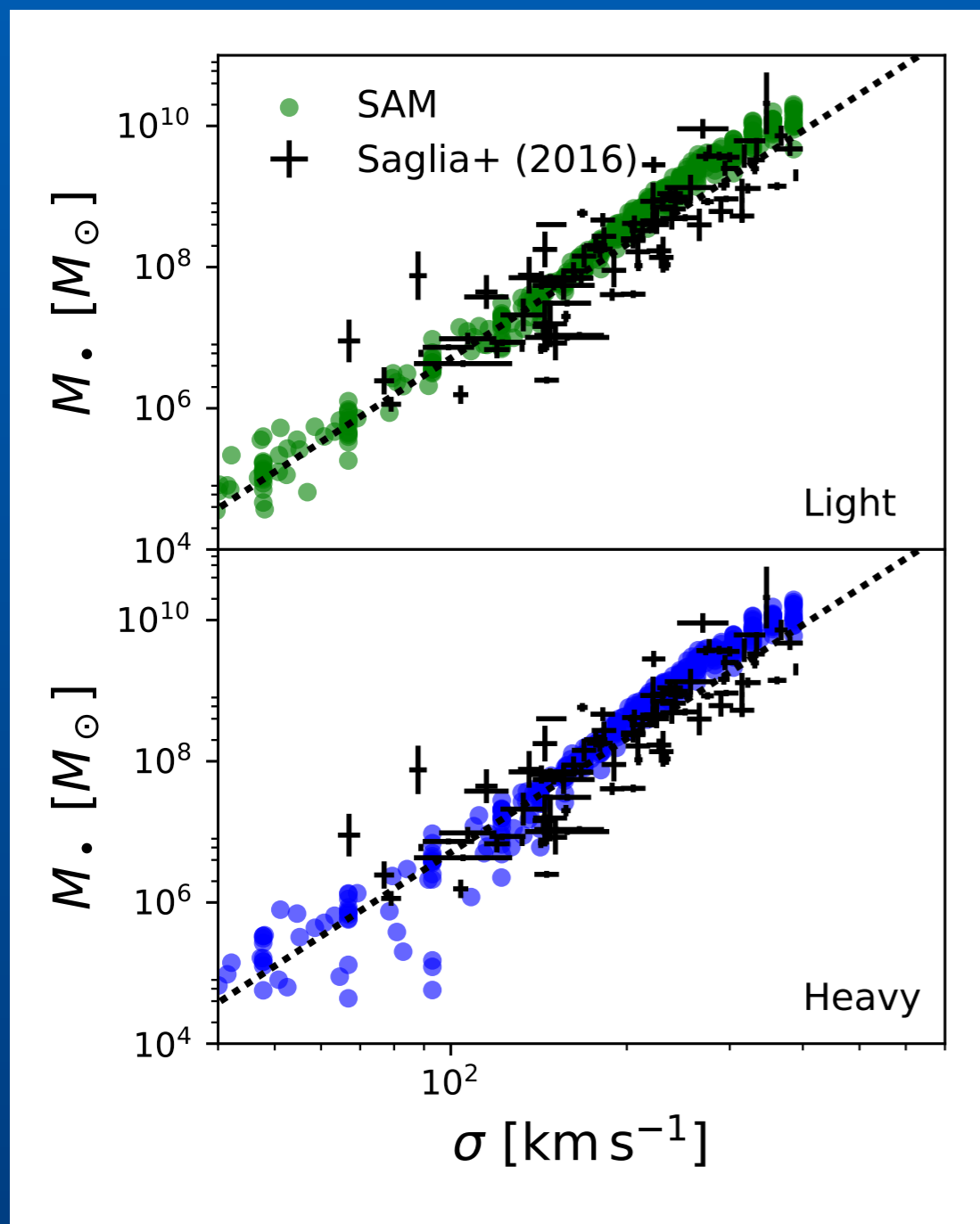
## **FEEDBACK LIMITED MODE**

Inefficient growth, outflows,  
~ 15% of gas accreted  
**LOW MASS SEEDS**

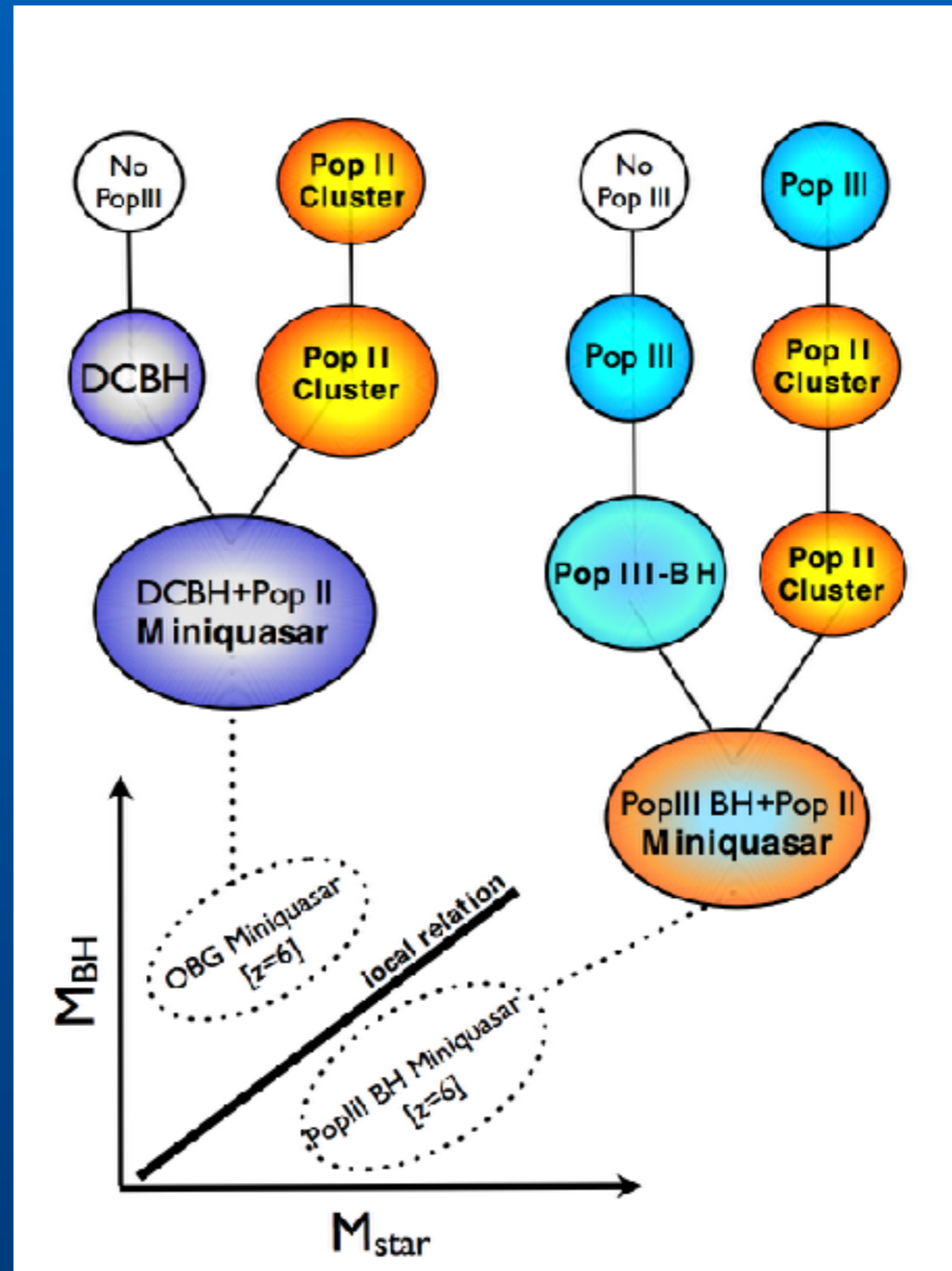
## **GAS SUPPLY LIMITED MODE**

Super-Eddington growth, outflows  
unimportant, low radiative efficiency  
~ 80% of gas accreted  
**MASSIVE SEEDS**

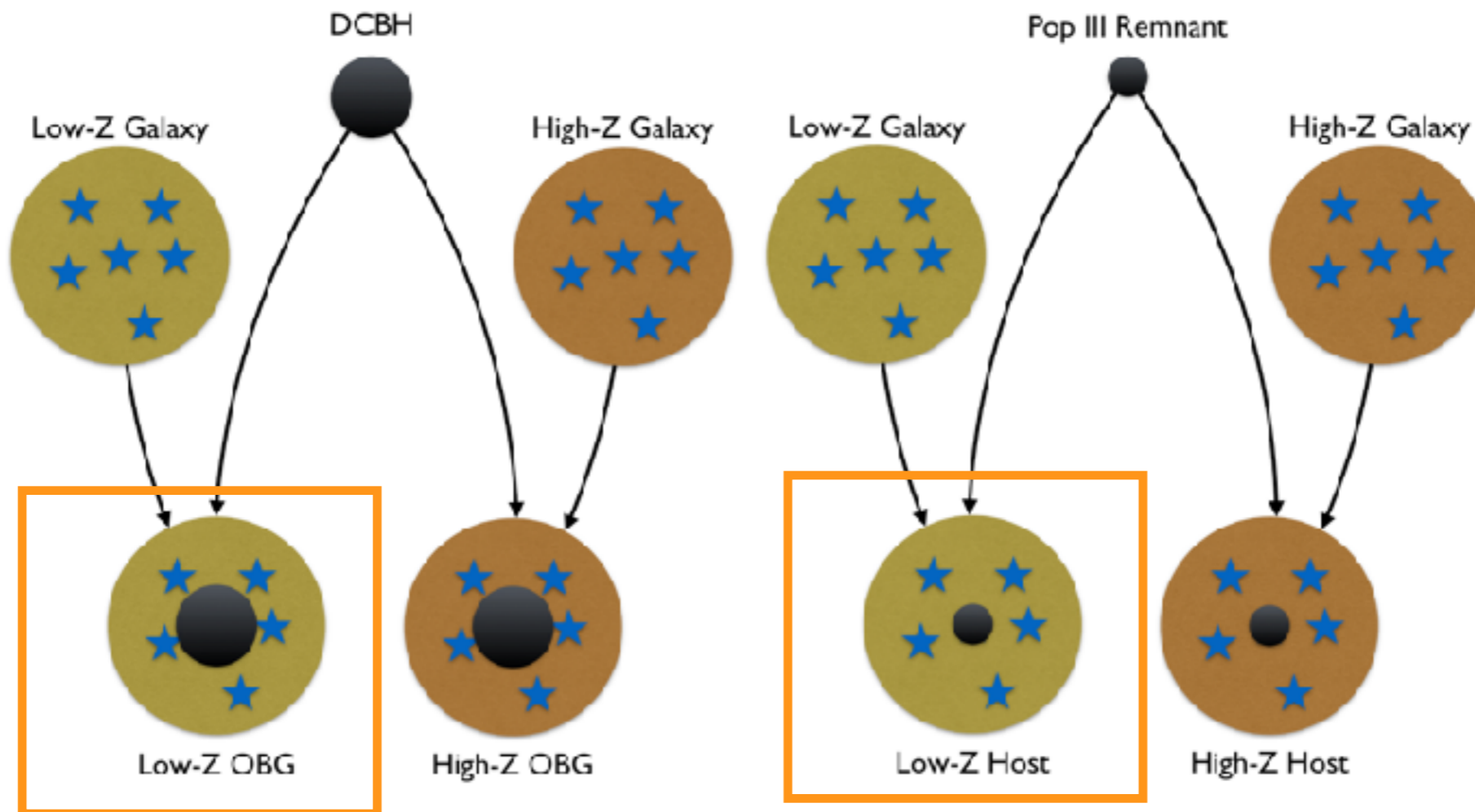
# Model including stochastic accretion, flickering, mass cap



# DIRECT COLLAPSE BHs AND THEIR OBESE BH HOST GALAXIES

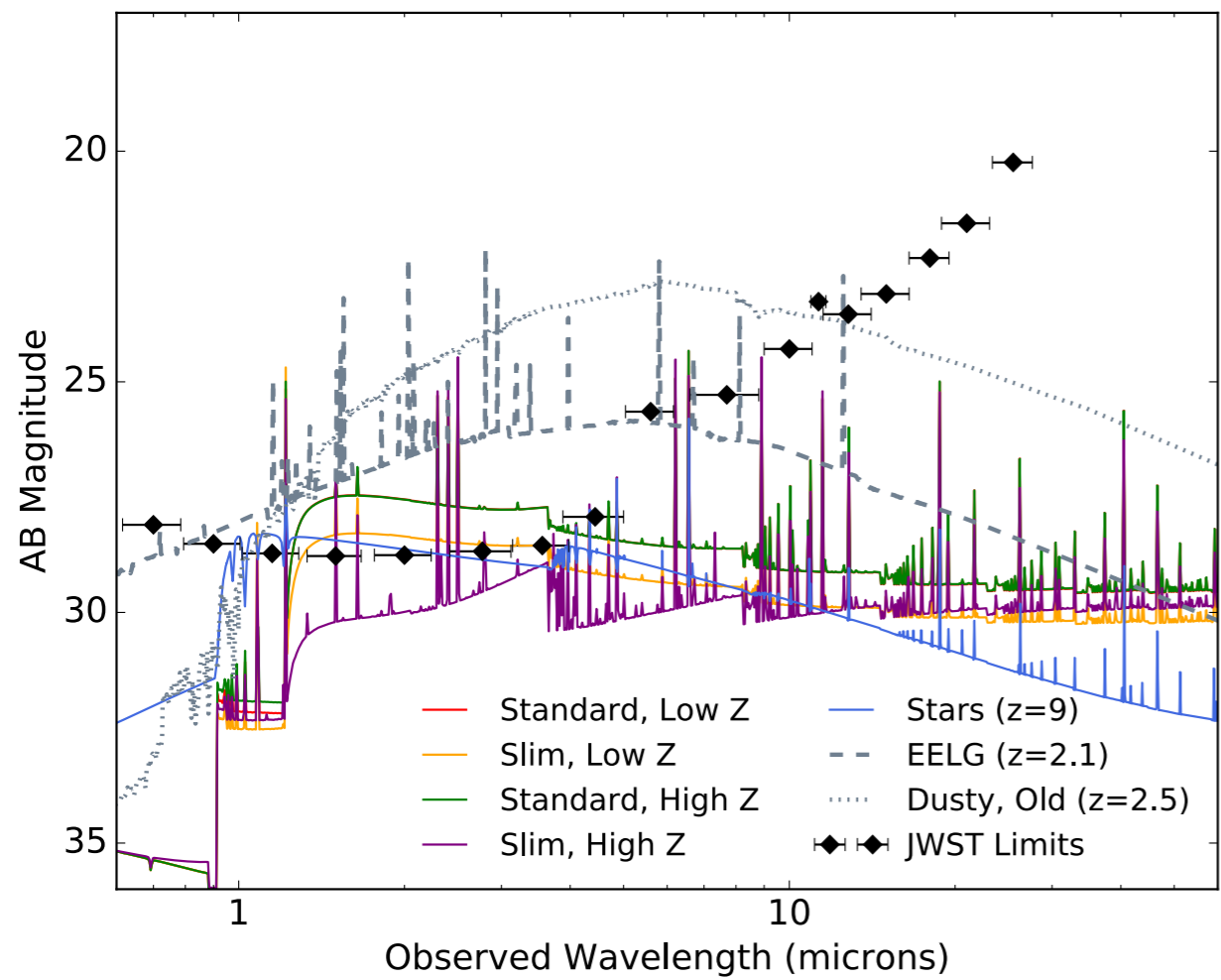


# SCHEMATIC OF HIGH-Z JWST SOURCES



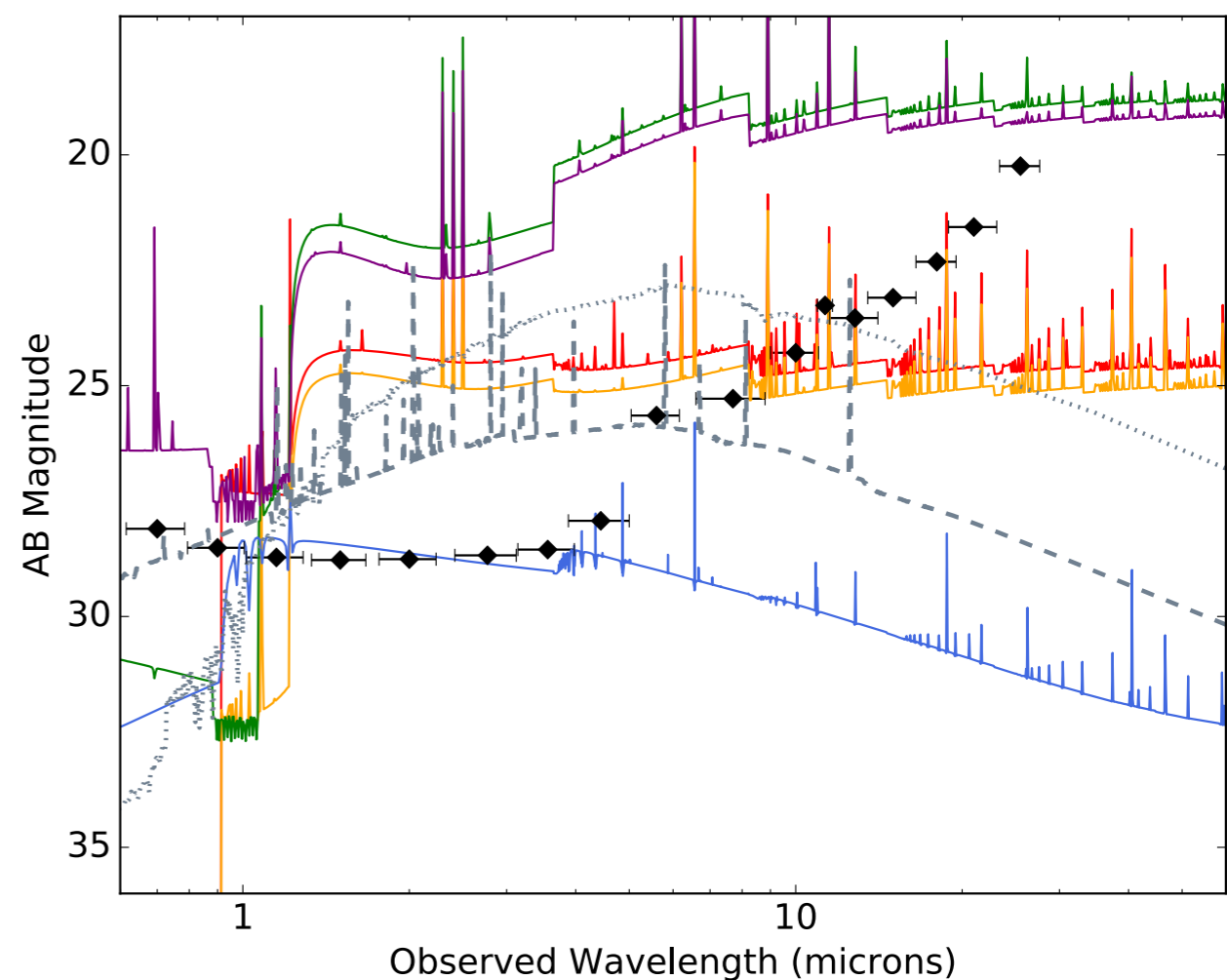


# DISCRIMINATING LIGHT & MASSIVE SEEDS WITH JWST

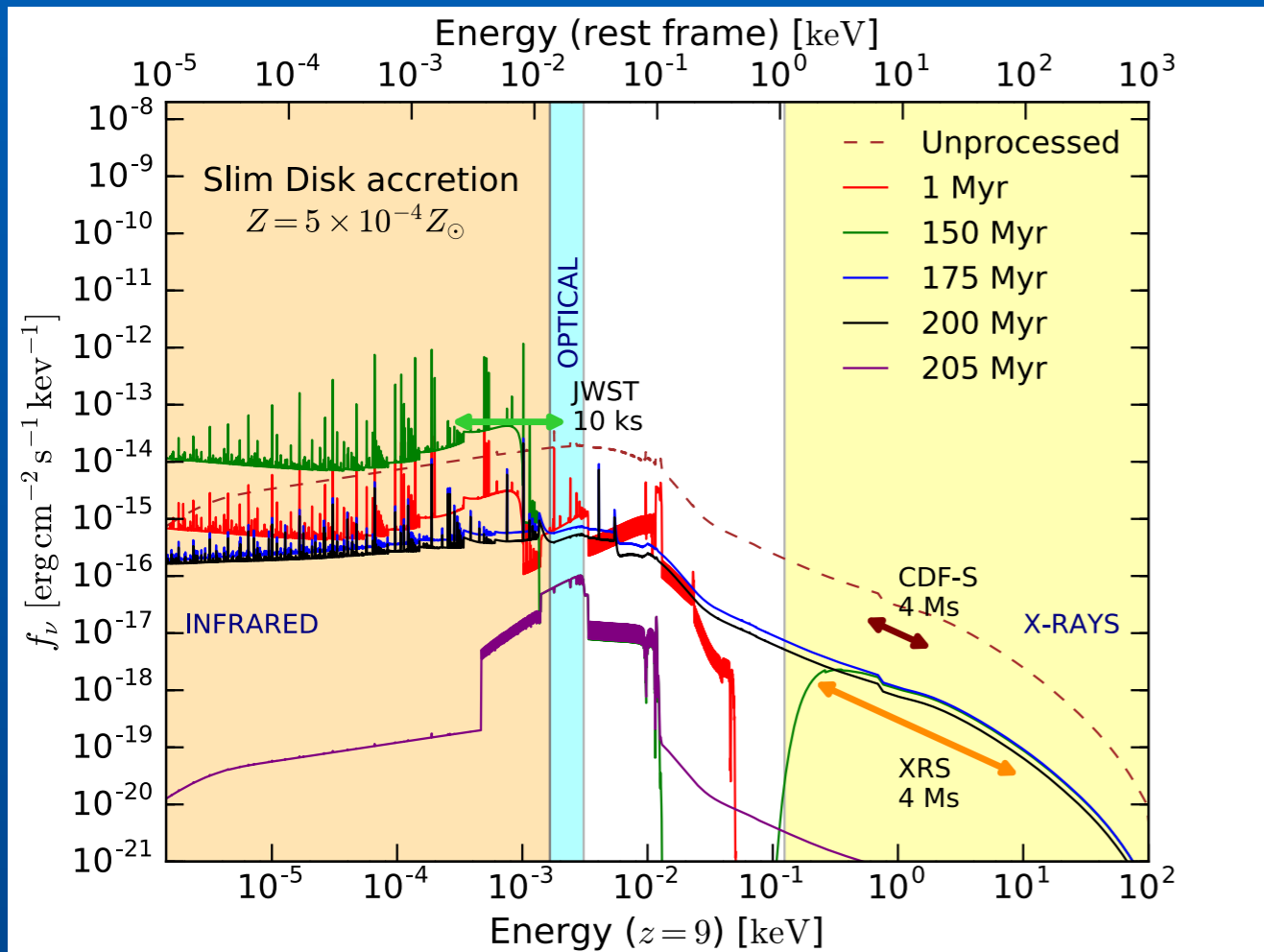


LIGHT SEEDS

MASSIVE SEEDS

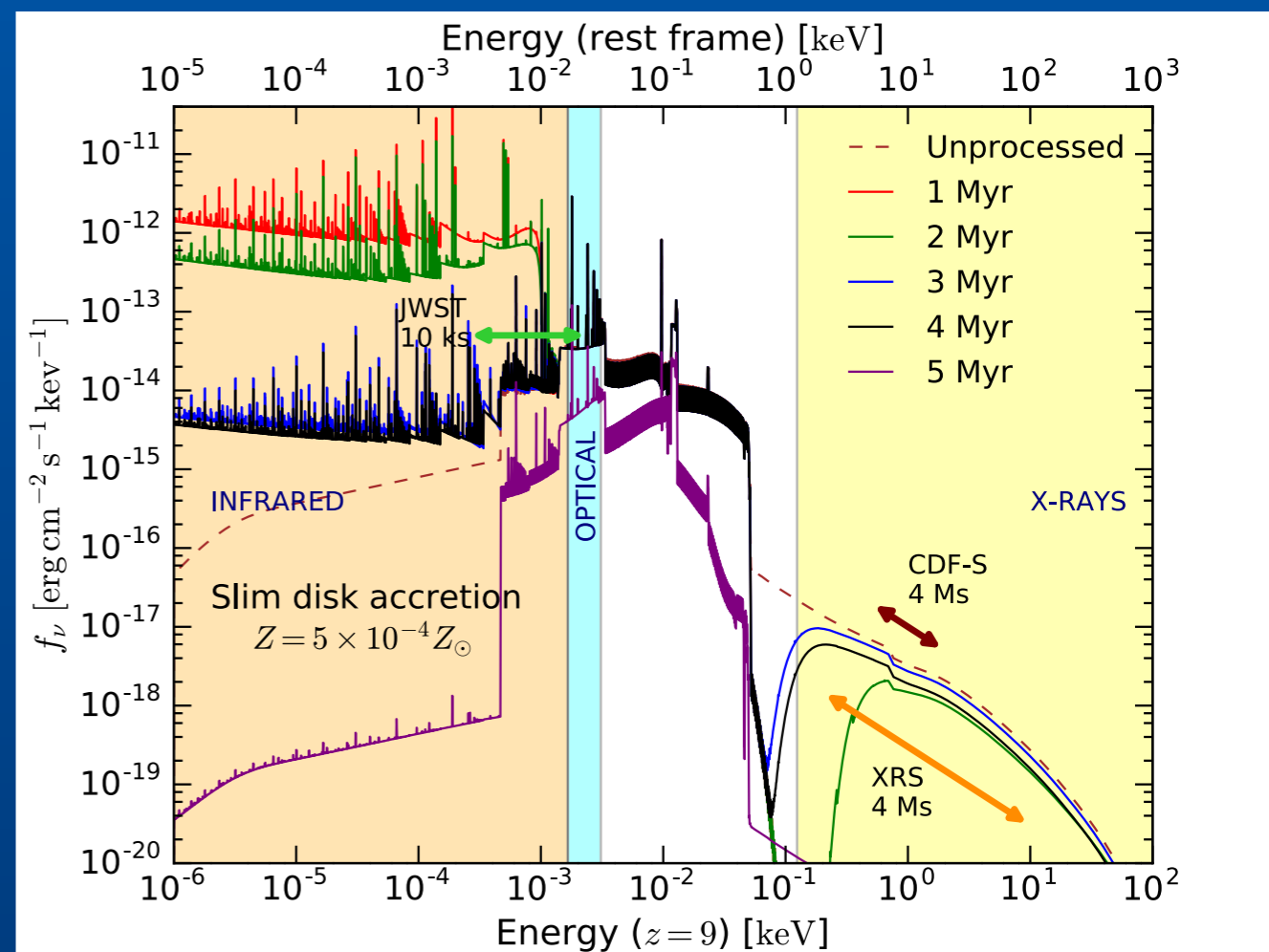


# MULTI-WAVELENGTH SPECTRAL PREDICTIONS

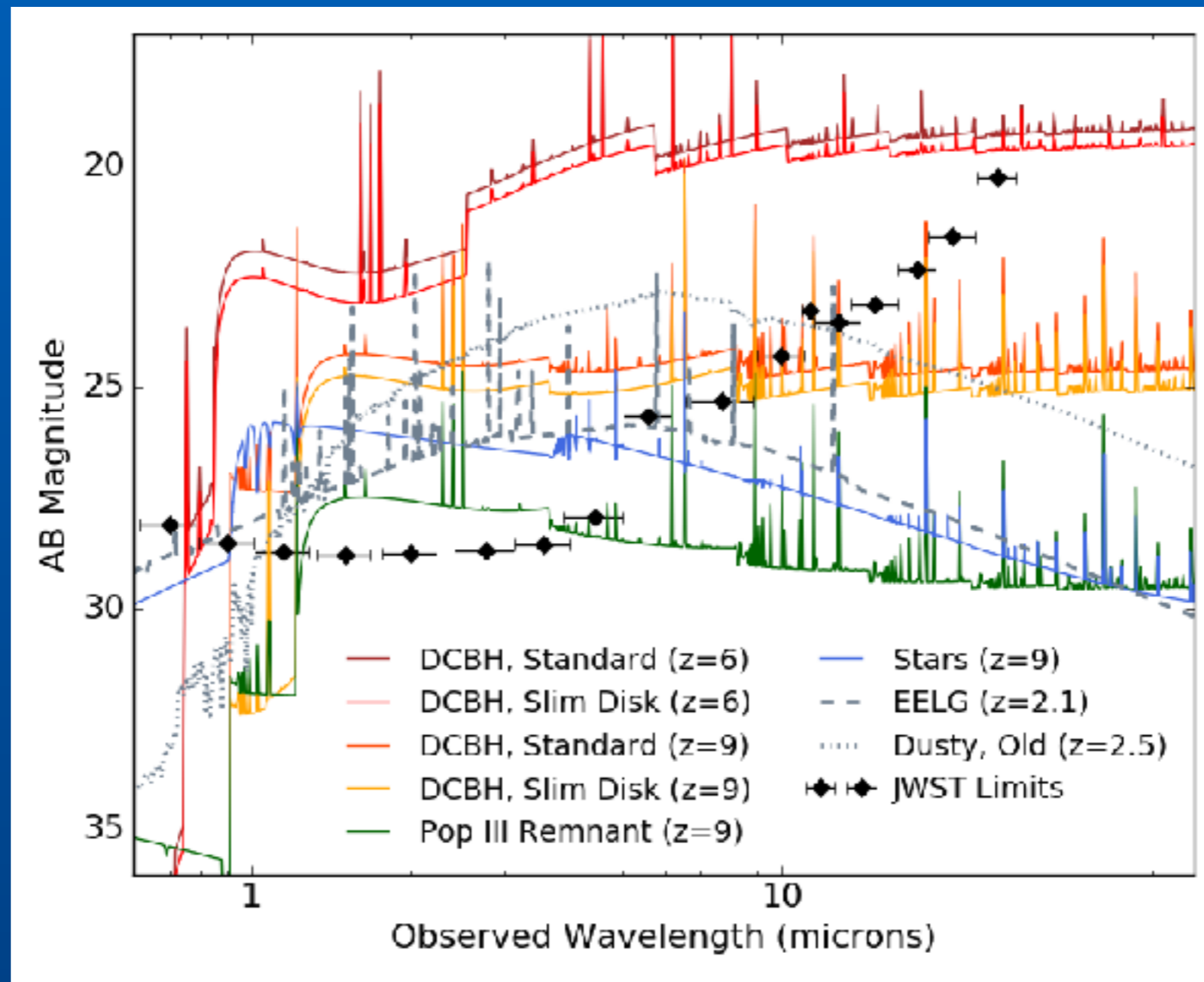


## Pop III SEED + STELLAR COMPONENT SLIM DISK

## DCBH SEED + STELLAR COMPONENT (OBG) SLIM DISK

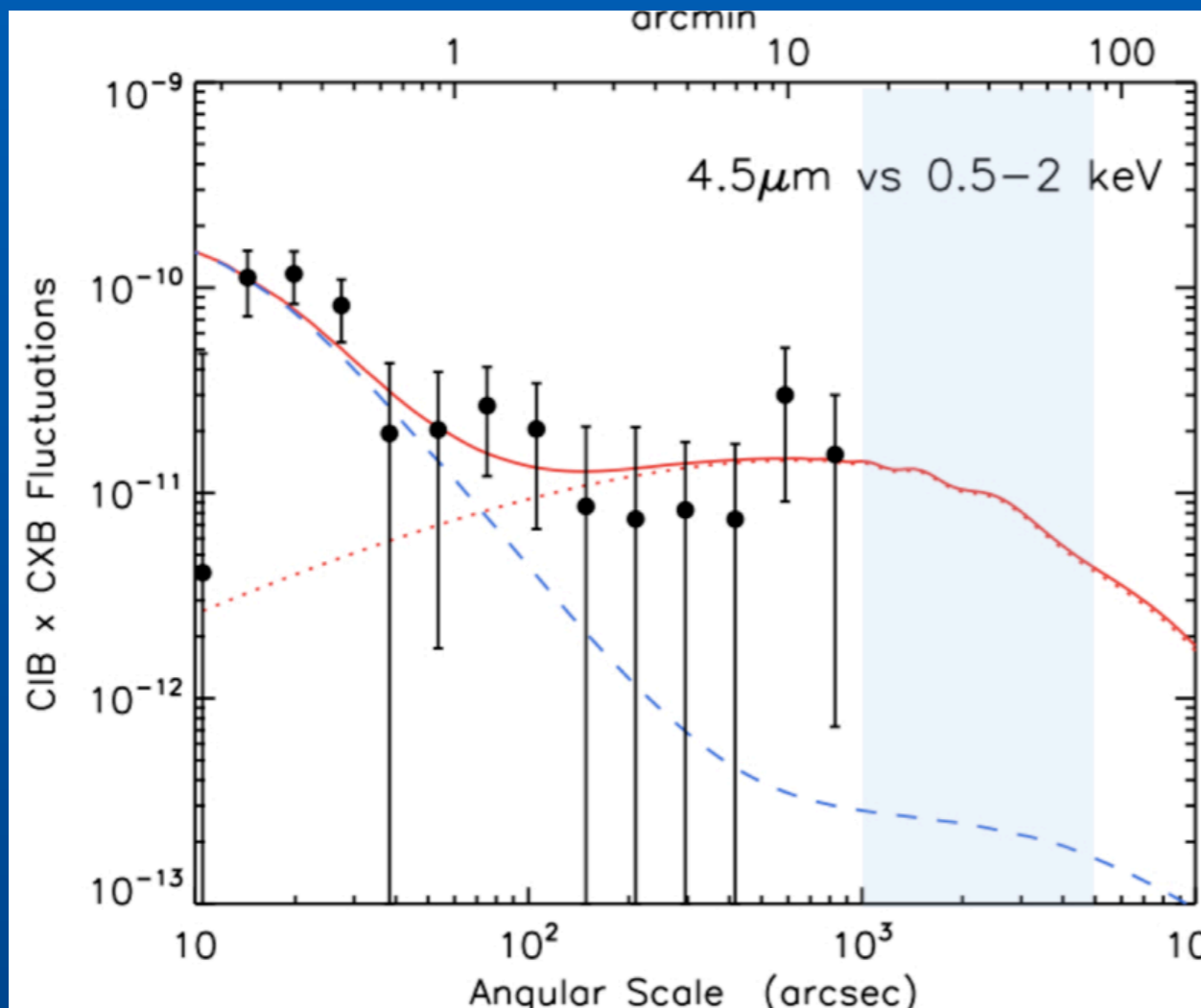


# OBSERVATIONAL SIGNATURES OF DCBHs

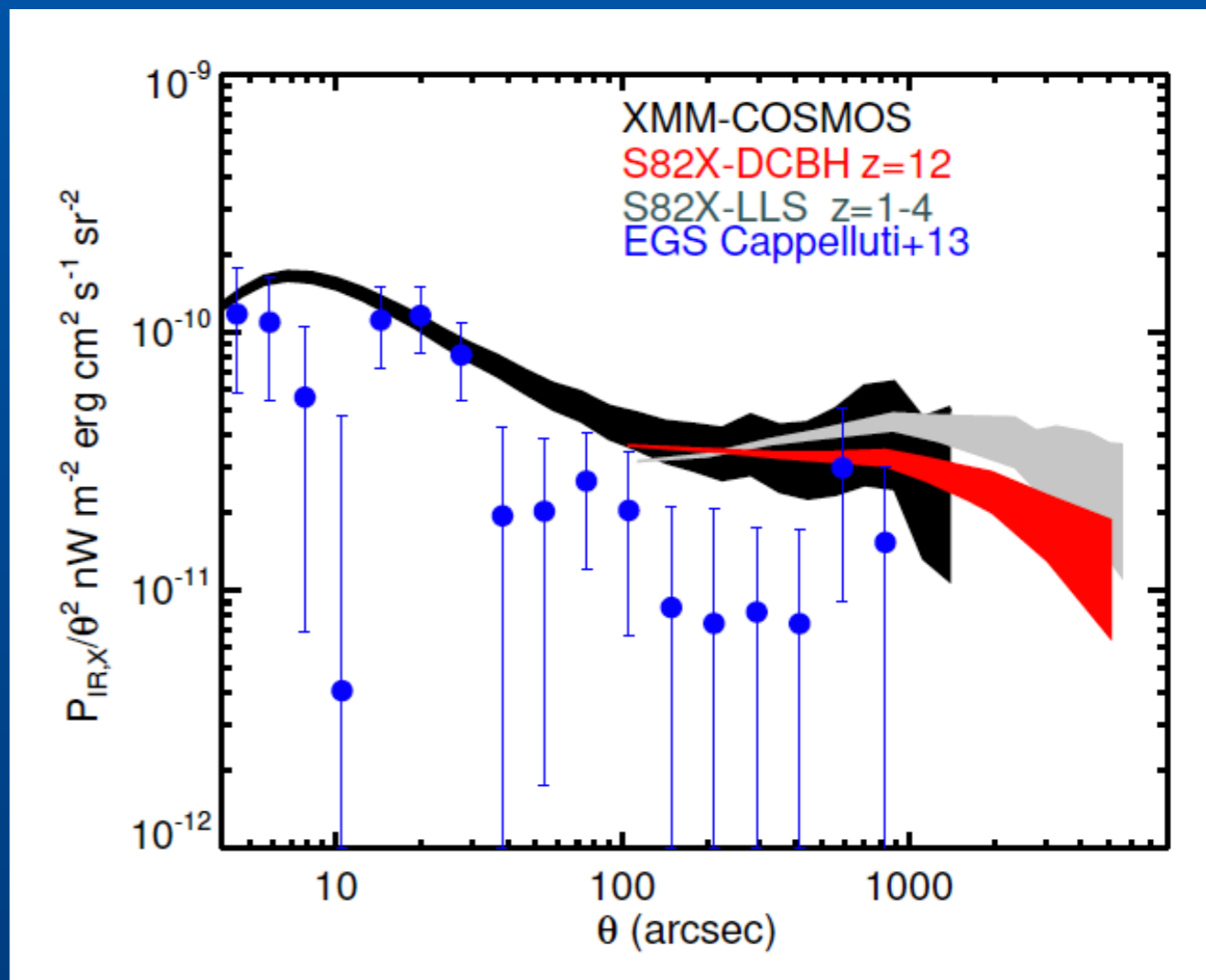


~ JWST spectra for growing DCBHs  
Discriminant slope and amplitude between 1 - 10 microns

# WIDE-FIELD SURVEYS IN X-RAY & IR will reveal large scale high-z component



LARGE-SCALE CIB  
EXCESS



# STATUS REPORT OF WHERE WE ARE & OPEN QUESTIONS

Masses of initial BH seeds

Early accretion history of seed BHs

Contribution to Re-ionization

Observational signatures of Super-Eddington flows

Importance of mergers

Detection of signature of mergers – gravitational waves

When do the correlations between BHs and their hosts  
get set-up

