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**X-ray astronomy**

**synergies with radio/mm**

# Outline

- [ New facilities in the radio and millimeter domains

  - The **ALMA** array and its context

  - The **SKA** array and its precursors/pathfinders

- [ Scientific synergies with the X-ray domains: few examples

**Synergy:** Two or more agents working together to produce a result not obtainable by any of the agents independently (wikipedia)

- [ Conclusions



# The ALMA array

ALMA: a world partnership to deliver a transformational millimeter/sub-millimeter interferometer

Collaboration between North America (US, Canada, Taiwan), Europe (ESO), East Asia (Japan, Taiwan) and Chile

Site in Chile at 5000m

66 antennas: 7 to 12 m.



# ALMA overview

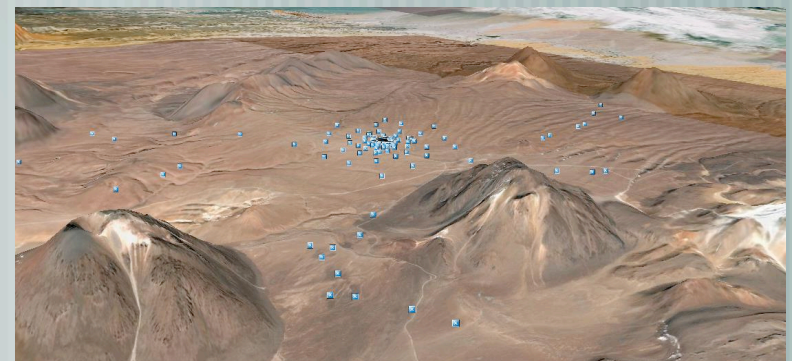
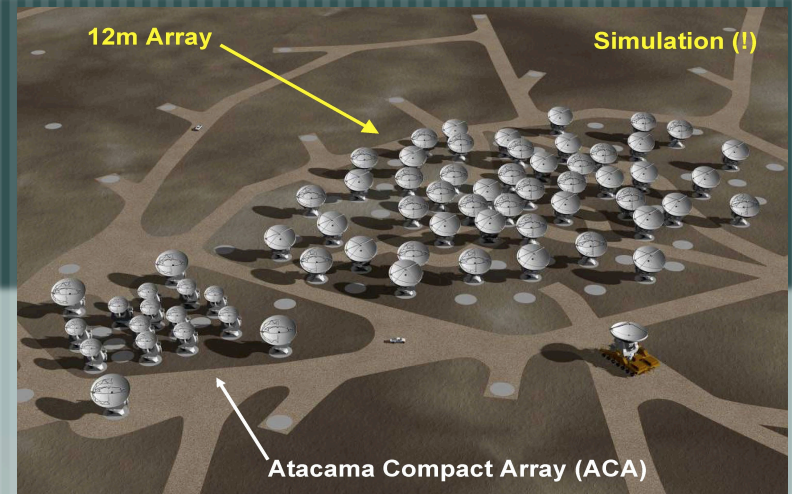
Baselines up to 15 km (15 mas @300 GHz) and FOV  $\sim 21''$  @ 300 GHz

Sensitive and precise imaging from 84 to 950 GHz (10 bands)

Low noise receivers + wide band  $\rightarrow$  high sensitivity

Full polarisation + Flexible correlator

Open access, but highly competitive



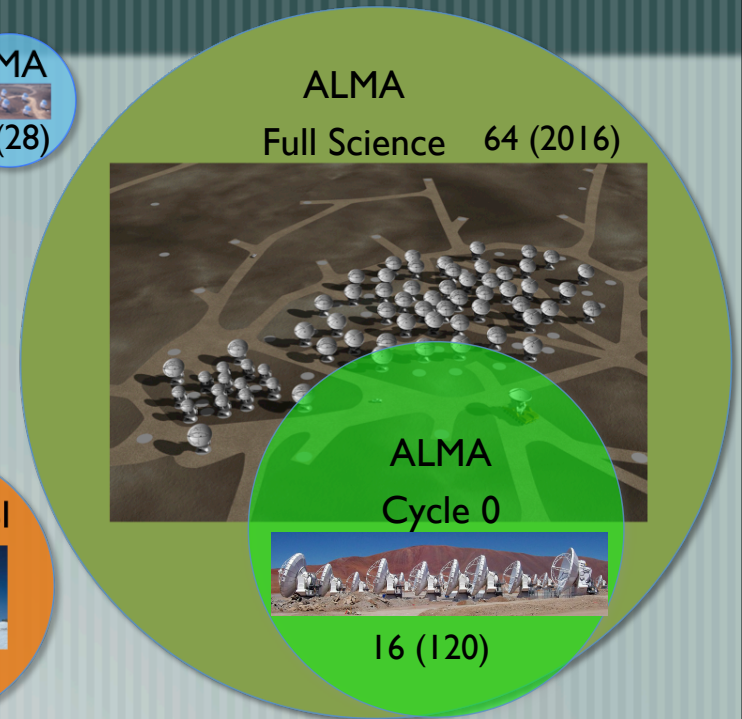
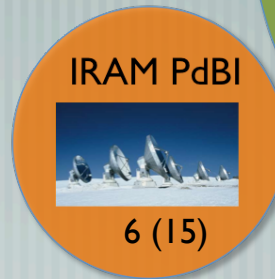
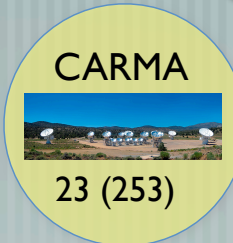


# ALMA in the mm context

Collecting area : Surf. + # of Antennas (# of baselines)

Sensitivity goes as collecting area

Image fidelity goes as # of baselines



ALMA will be 10-100 times more sensitive and have 10-100 times better angular resolution compared to current millimeter interferometers

Frequency (GHz)

# The SKA telescope



# SKA: basic parameters



[ A collecting area of  $1 \text{ km}^2$ . Increased in sensitivity x 50

[ Frequencies: 70 MHz – 10 GHz (SKA1)  $\Rightarrow$  25 GHz (SKA2)  $\lambda$ : 4 m to 1 cm

[ Field of View: from  $200 \text{ deg}^2$  at 70 MHz to few  $\text{deg}^2$  at 1.4 GHz (21 cm).

[ Large FOV + Independent beams  $\Rightarrow$  increased survey speed ( $10^4$  to  $10^6$  faster than today)

[ Angular resolution better than 0.01 arcsec. Stations up to 200 km, with possibly 3 extended arms up several 1000 km

[ Multiple precursors now being built around the world

# How does **SKA1** baseline redefine state-of-art?

		JVLA	MeerKAT	SKA1-mid	ASKAP	SKA1-survey	LOFAR	SKA1-low
<b>A<sub>eff</sub>/T<sub>sys</sub></b>	m <sup>2</sup> /K	265	321	1630	65	391	61	1000
<b>FoV</b>	deg <sup>2</sup>	0.25	0.86	0.49	30	18	14	27
<b>Survey Speed FoM</b>	deg <sup>2</sup> m <sup>4</sup> K <sup>-2</sup>	1.76×10 <sup>4</sup>	8.86×10 <sup>4</sup>	1.30×10 <sup>6</sup>	1.27×10 <sup>5</sup>	2.75×10 <sup>6</sup>	5.21×10 <sup>4</sup>	2.70×10 <sup>7</sup>
<b>Resolution</b>	arcsec	1.4 - 44	11	0.22	7	0.9	5	11

A<sub>eff</sub>/T<sub>sys</sub>:

6.2xJVLA 6.0xASKAP 16xLOFAR

Survey Speed:

74x

22x

520x



# The radio to mm **summary** facts

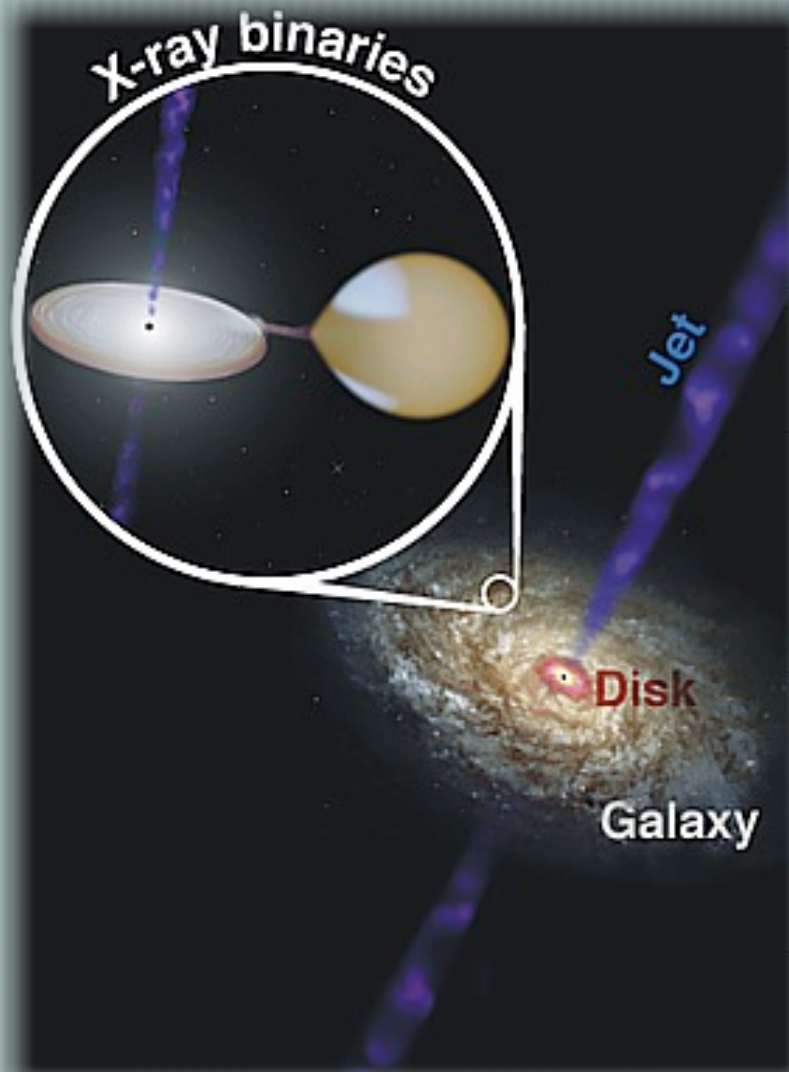
- [ A **quasi continuous frequency coverage** from a few tens of MHz to almost 1 THz (4 to 5 decades) + Polarisation capab. + Spectroscopy
- [ From a very **small FOV** (ALMA) to **very large FOV** (SKA), typically much larger than a standard X-ray satellite
- [ **High sensitivity** coupled with **high resolution** imaging (typically in proportion, much better than anything possible in X-ray)
- [ A French community in construction for the SKA ! It happens now ....

# Synergies with the X-ray domain

Some examples



# X-ray binaries and AGNs



[ Accretion: the most efficient source of energy in the Universe

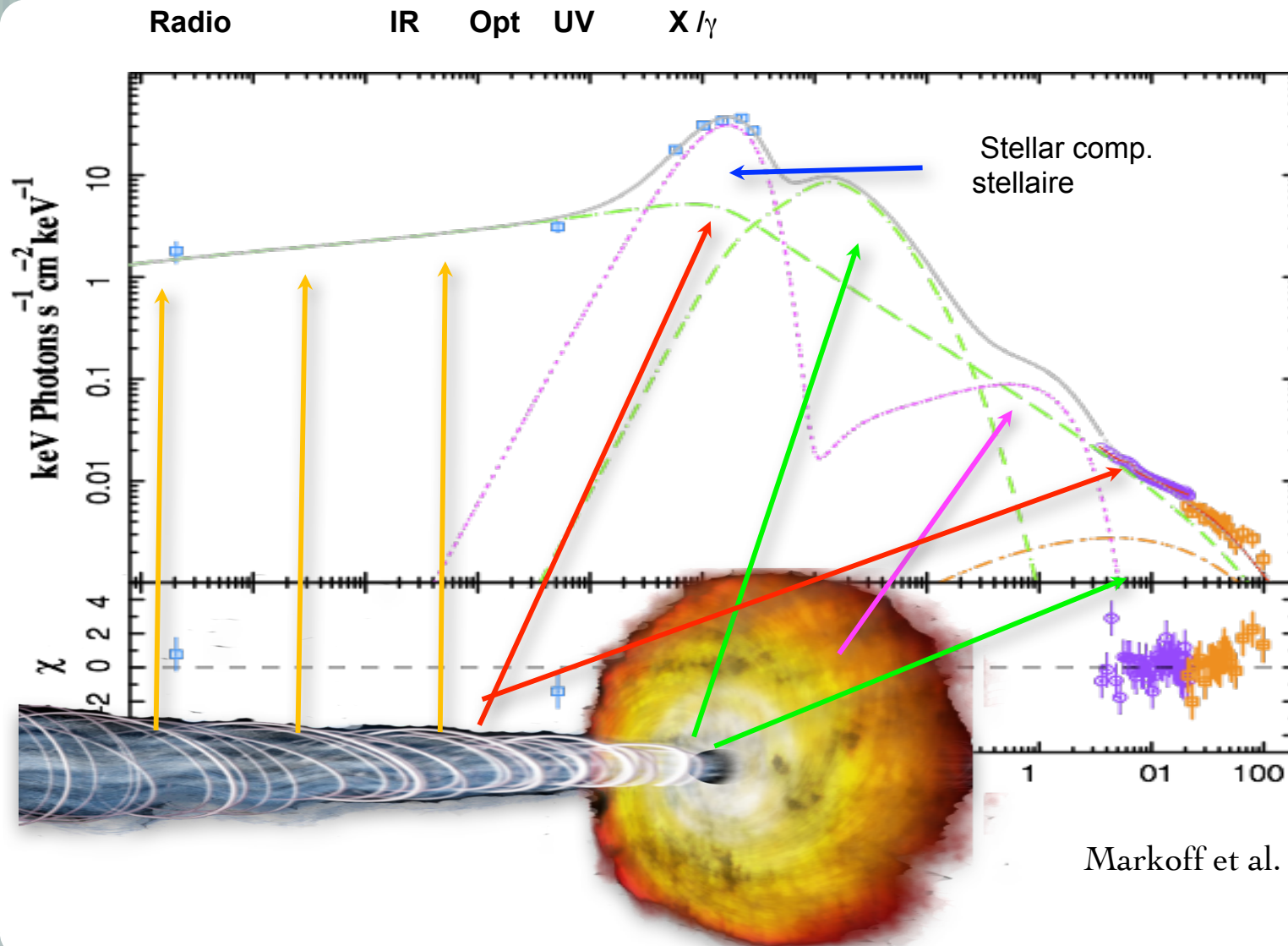
[ Jets : feedback, BH growth regulation...

[ X-ray binaries: probing accretion/ejection coupling

[ Multi-physics  $\Rightarrow$  Multi- $\lambda$  + Multi-messengers (not yet) + Multi-timescales

[ Coupling e- in radio and HE for a large range of targets !

# Broadband Spectral Energy Distribution

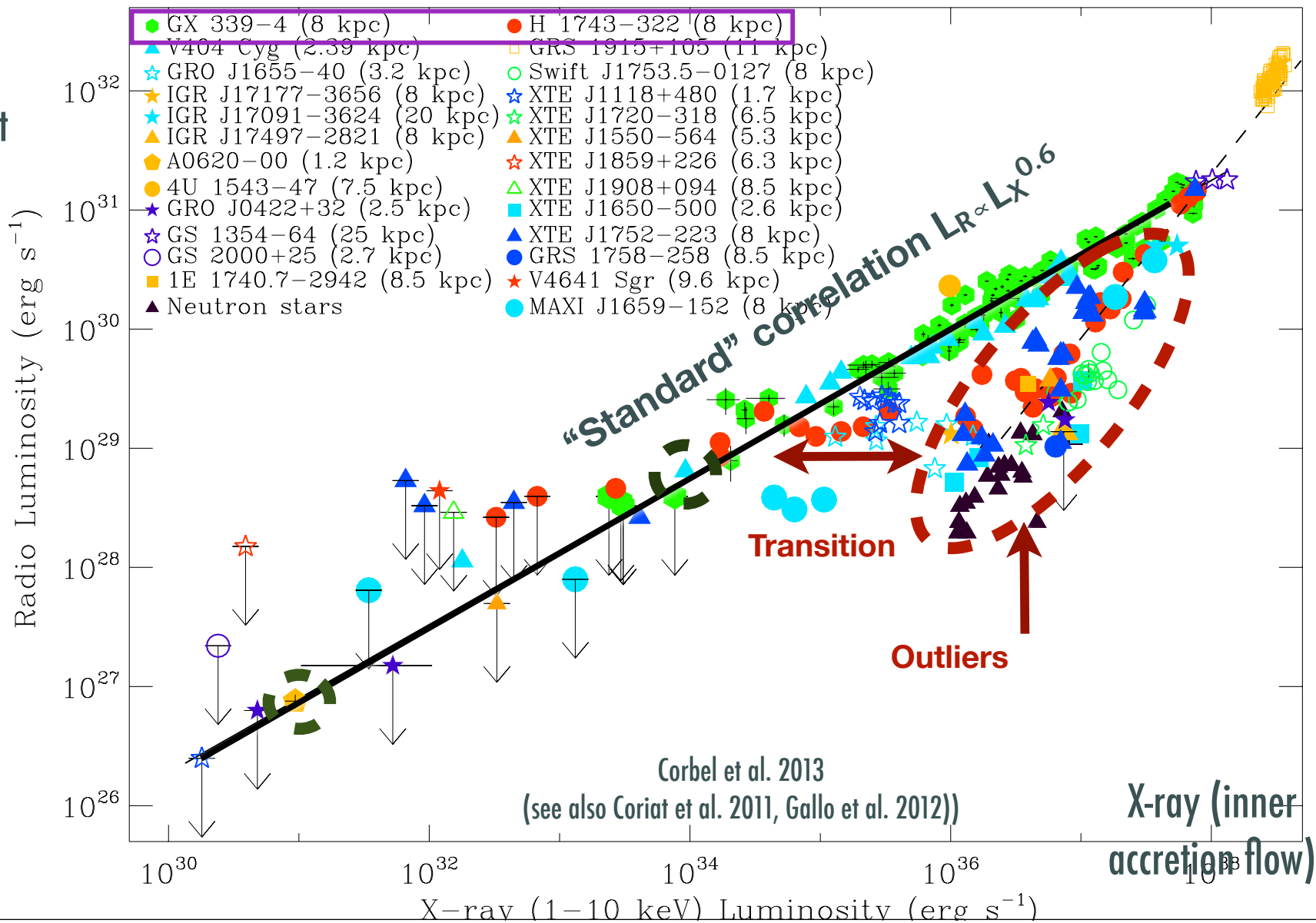


Markoff et al. 2005

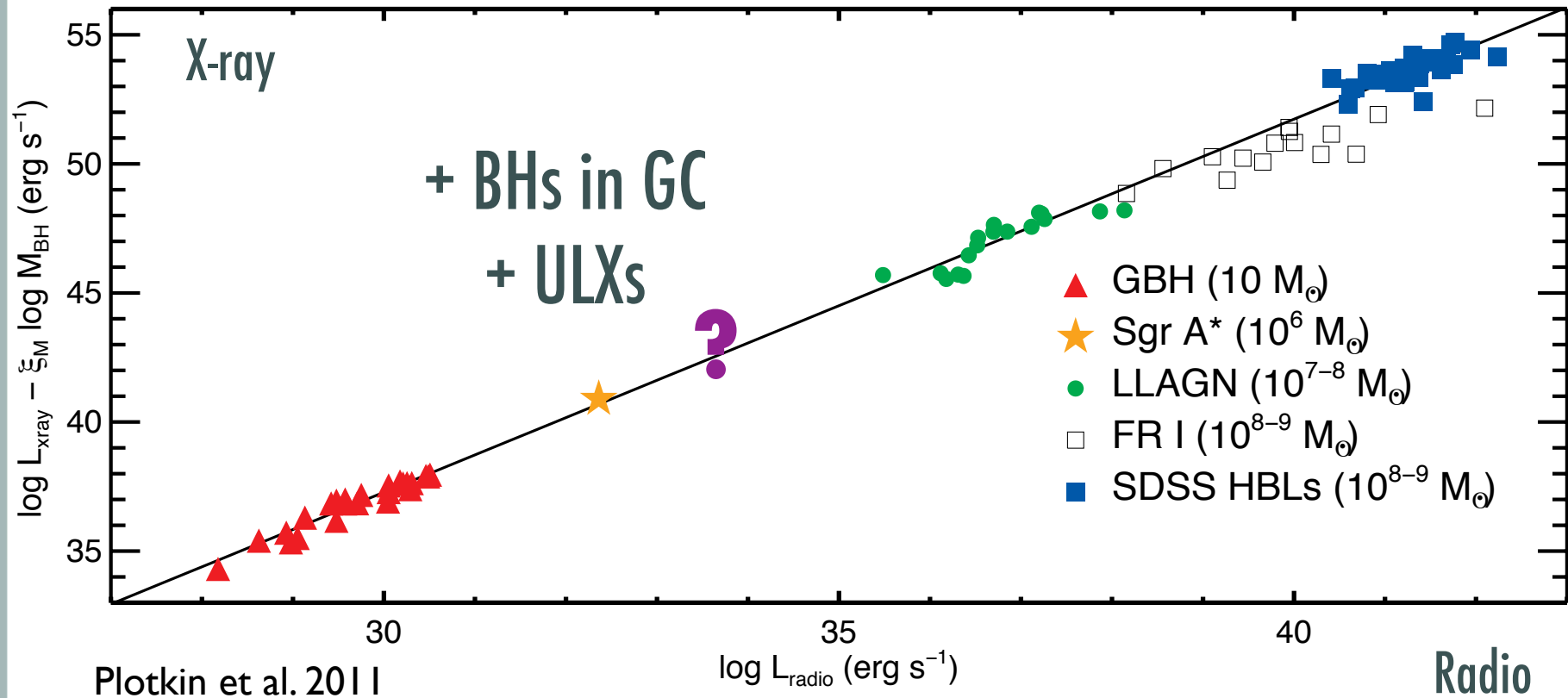


# Radio X-ray correlation

Radio  
(compact  
jets)



# The fundamental plane of BH activity



Universality of scaling laws (same physics ?) along mass scale ?

# Needs in term of X-rays ?

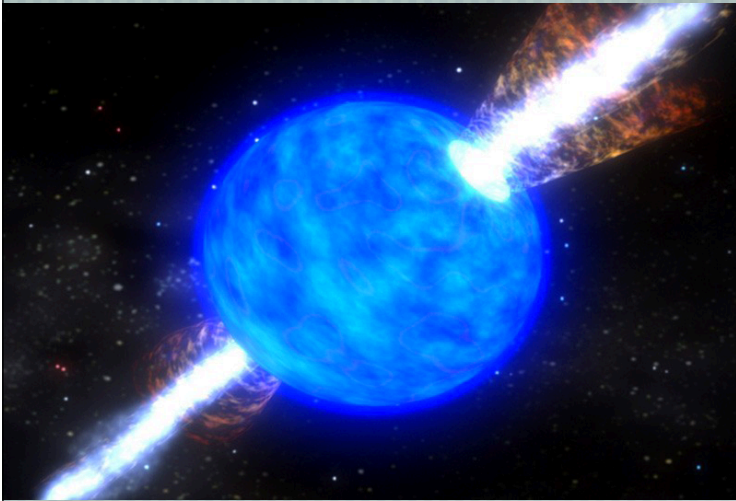
- [ Most of these new discoveries were driven initially by X-ray observations, and most particularly **X-ray All Sky Monitor** (RXTE/ASM, Swift/BAT...)
- [ But also great success of RXTE/PCA+HEXTE due to its extreme **flexibility** ⇒ allowing a great numbers of **ToO** (idem Swift/XRT), sampling XRB evol.
- [ Need **broadband coverage** in X-ray : a few 0.1 keV to few tens of keV !

# What's new in radio ?

- [ New radio facilities (but not ALMA) have huge FOV with rapid response + clever software + multiple fields + look-back mode + piggy-backing
- [ Towards **Radio All Sky Monitor !!** with good sensitivity
- [ **A new population of radio transients for X-ray observatories** (see next talk by Frédéric Daigne)



# The Dynamic Radio Sky



[ Transient radio signals of any duration (ns to weeks)

[ Neutron stars: Magnetars, Giant pulses, Short GRBs? Cosmic Radio Burst?

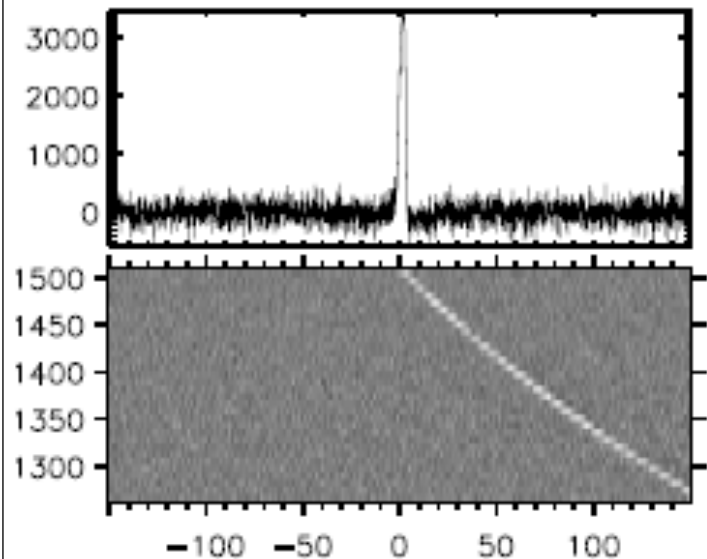
[ GRBs: Afterglows, Prompt emission?

[ Sub-stellar objects: Brown dwarfs, Extrasolar planets?

[ Microquasars, BH collision at cosmological distance

[ ETI

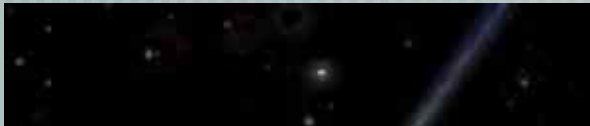
[ The Unknown !!!! Remember the wise word of DR



# Two flavours of transients

## [ Incoherent synchrotron emission ( $> 1s$ )

- Relatively slow variability
- Brightness temperature limited ( $10^{12}$  K)
- Associated with all explosive events
- Strong potential for MW astronomy



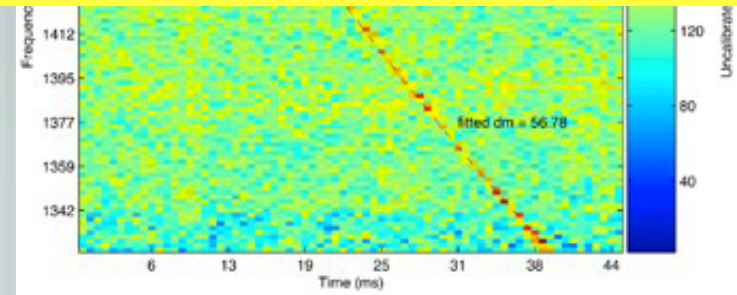
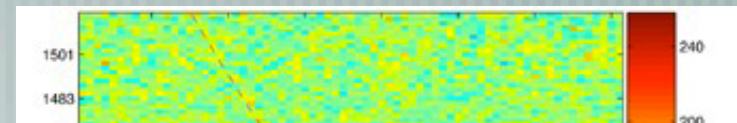
In term of X-ray needs, similar as for X-ray binaries



Detection: images

## [ Coherent emission ( $< 1s$ )

- Relatively fast variability
- High brightness temperature
- Often highly polarised



Detection: time series

# High redshift Universe



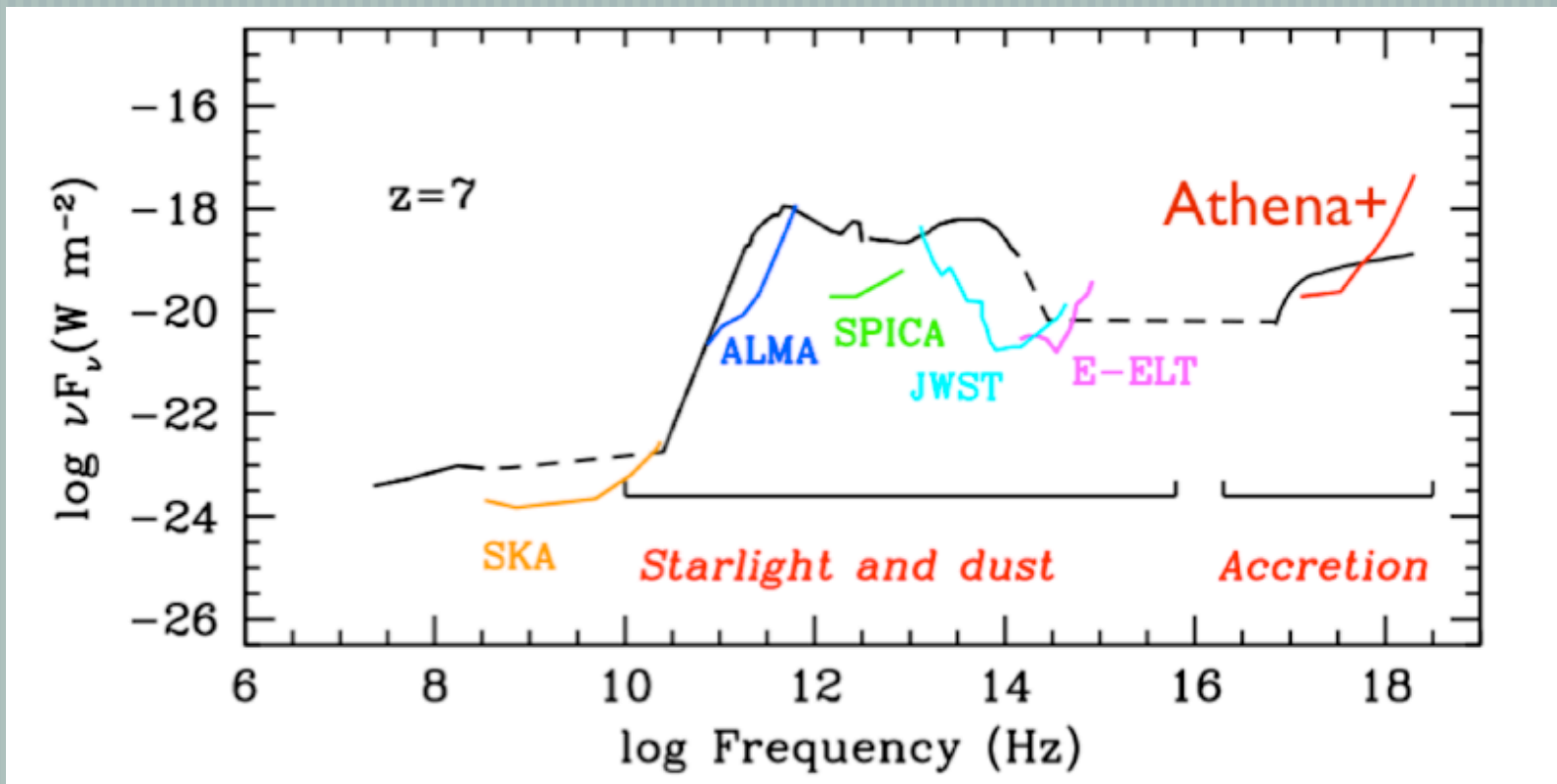
[ LOFAR, MWA...: first limits on HI around epoch of reionisation

[ A revolution coming with SKA with direct imaging

[ ALMA + later JWST : first source at the origin of the reionisation

[ X-rays: detecting fainter AGN at high redshift ( $z= 6-10$ ) and tracing the growth of SMBHs (incl. absorbed AGNs)

[ SVOM: High  $z$  GRB and associated physics (see talk by FD)



To open up the high  $z$  Universe: high angular resolution needed ( $5''$ ) in order not to be confusion limited and for identification at other  $l$

To increase survey speed, needed larger FOV also: Athena+ could be a factor 10 more efficient than Chandra

Discussed this morning by Monique.



# Conclusions

[ Strong connection between radio at large and X-ray emission.

[ **SKA** (Radio) and its precursors: high sensitivity, high angular and spectral resolution, large FOV **all in once** !

[ **ALMA** (mm): dedicated sensitive pointed observations

[ **X-rays**: two (exclusive ?) options :

— Sensitive ASM, Flexibility, broad-band spectral coverage  $\Rightarrow$  e.g. SVOM, LOFT ?

— Large area, high angular resolution, high spectral resol. , FOV  $\Rightarrow$  e.g. Athena+ ?

[ In any-case, **strong synergies in many fields and  $\lambda$** , but not sufficiently explored in radio, at least in France (current prospective).

[ Mutual benefits for all communities.