



# *The massive black hole and central star cluster in the Milky Way Center*

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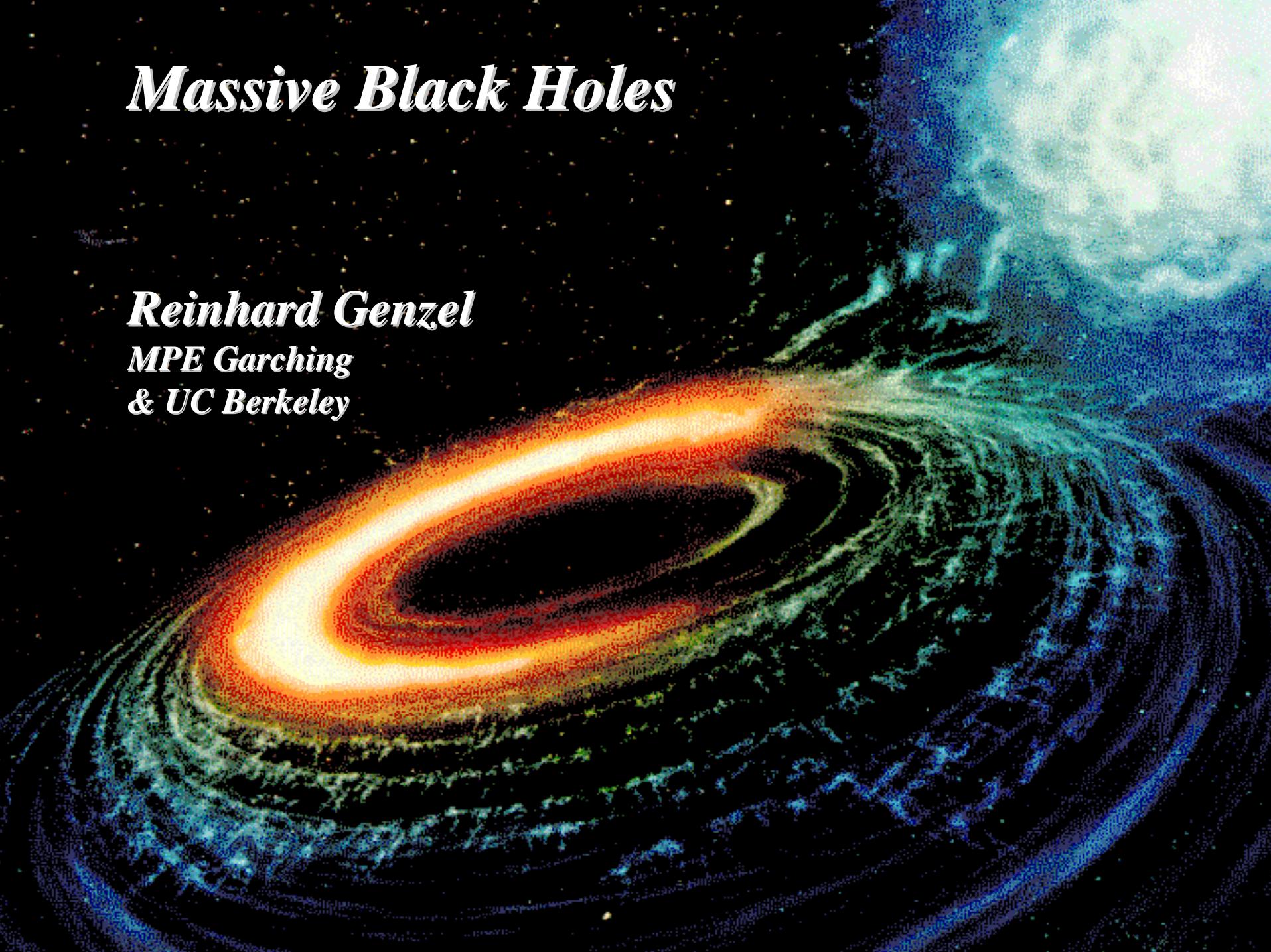
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- paradox of youth
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# *Massive Black Holes*

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# *New Results in the Galactic Center*

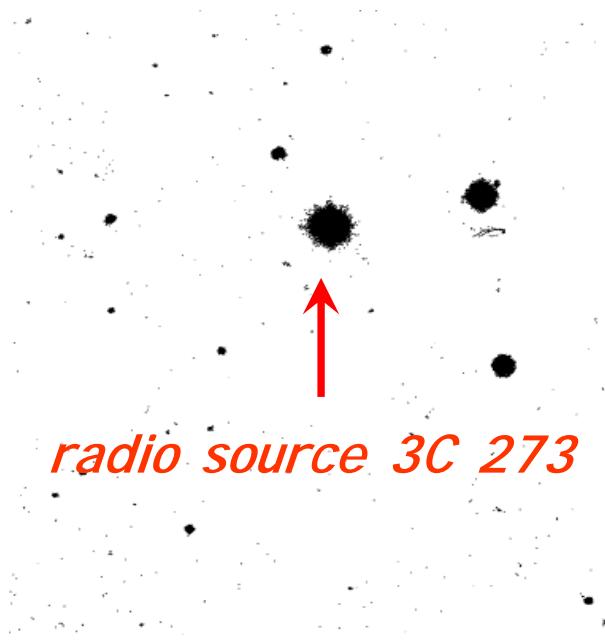
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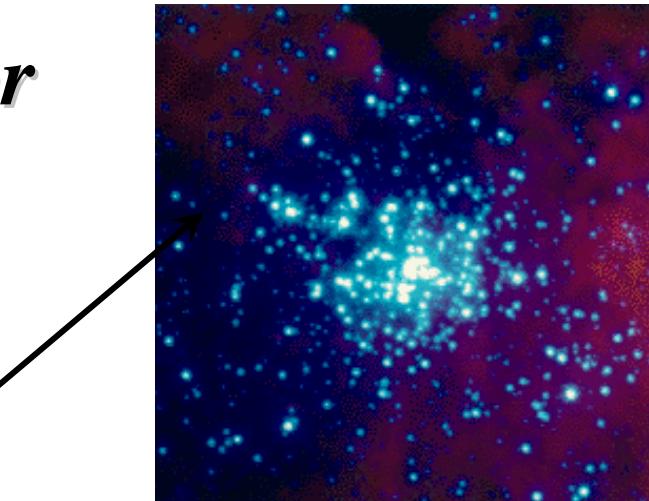
- *a paradox of youth*
- *testing the BH paradigm with stellar orbits*
- *accretion, flares & BH spin*

# *Quasars: stars or black holes ?*

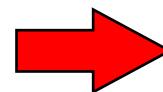


*radio source 3C 273*

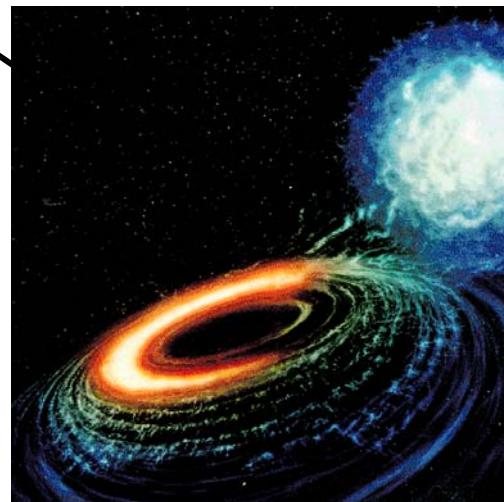
*Schmidt, Lynden-Bell, Rees  
1963-71*



$$E < 0.005 \text{ } Mc^2$$



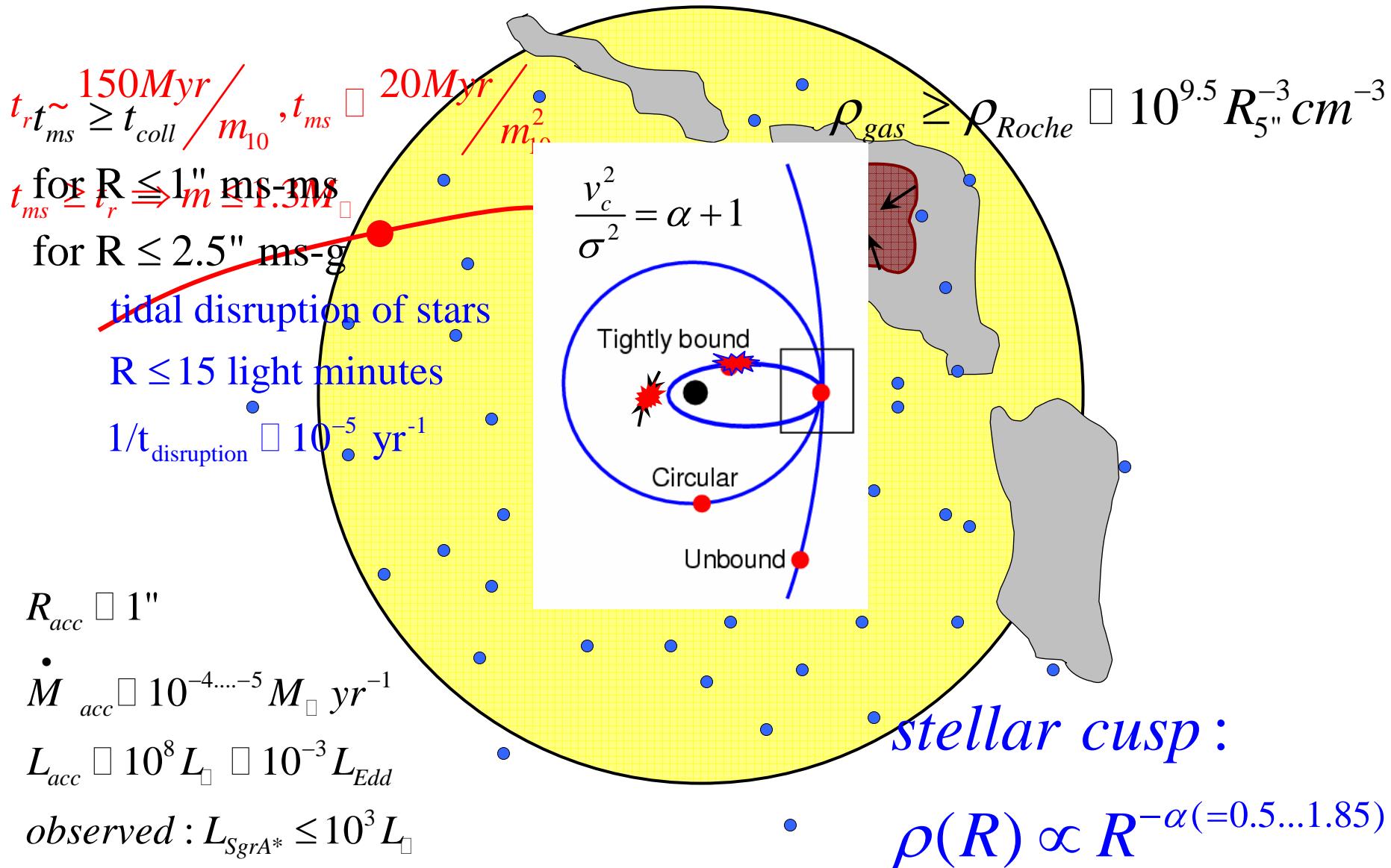
*mass distribution*



$E \leq 0.4 \text{ } Mc^2$   
*variable X- und  $\gamma$  - radiation*  
*relativistic radio jets*

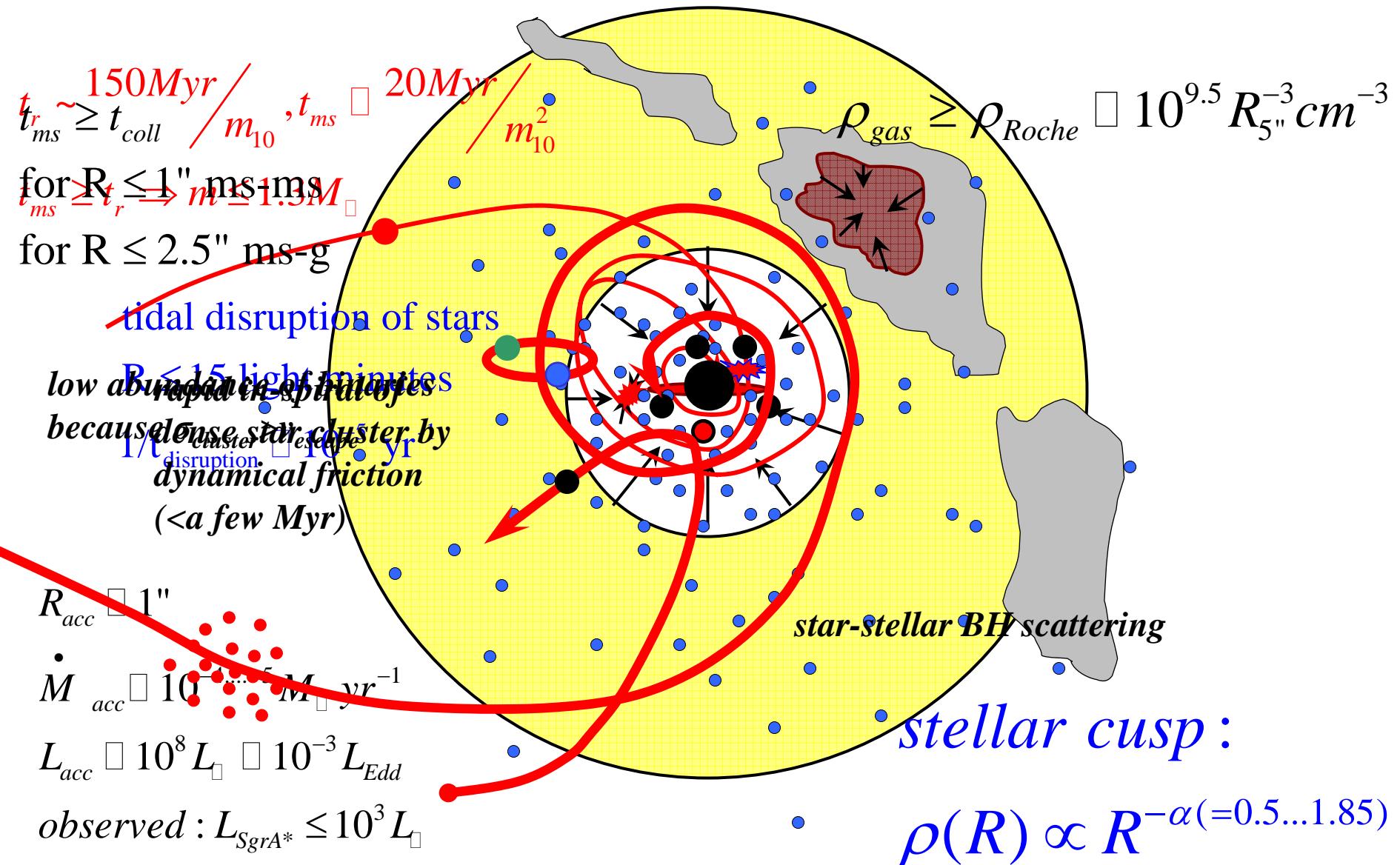
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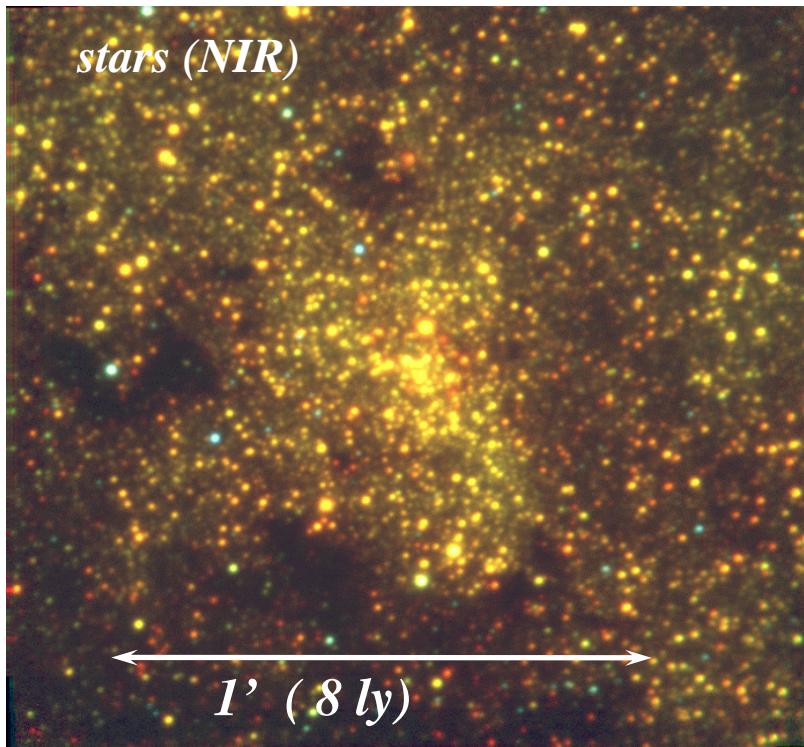


# *The MPE G.C.experiments*

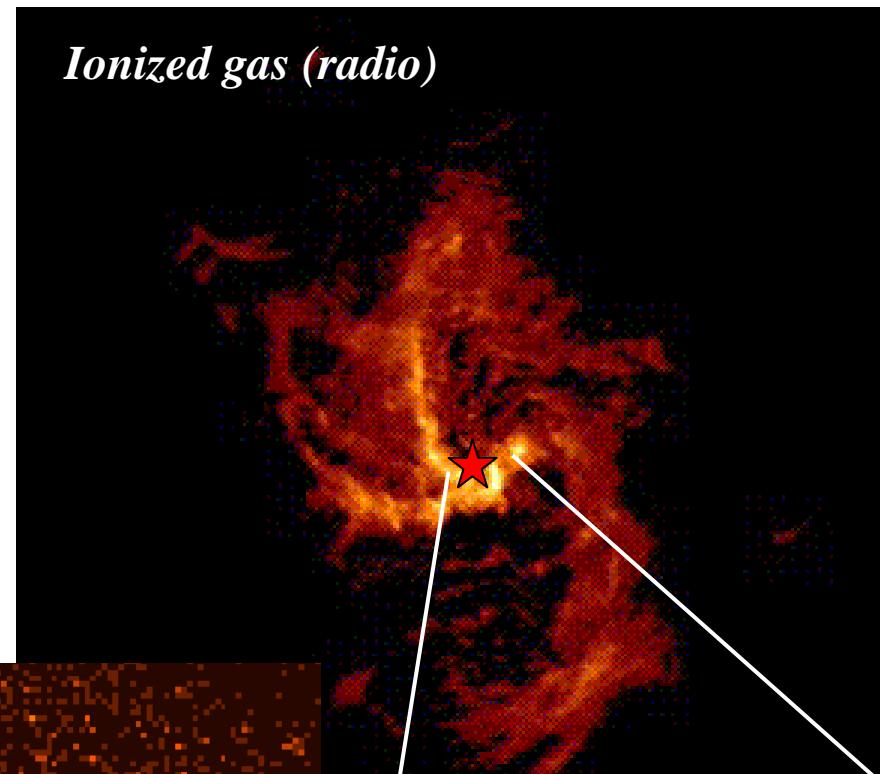
- *proper motion experiment at the 3.5m ESO NTT (near-IR speckle camera SHARP): since 1991*
- *adaptive optics-assisted (AO) integral field spectroscopy on ESO 2.2m (3D): since 1994*
- *AO camera/spectrometer NAOS/CONICA on 8m ESO VLT: since 2002*
- *AO integral field spectroscopy on VLT (SINFONI/SPIFFI): since Feb 2003*

*key people: A.Eckart, F.Eisenhauer, T.Ott, R.Schödel*

*stars (NIR)*

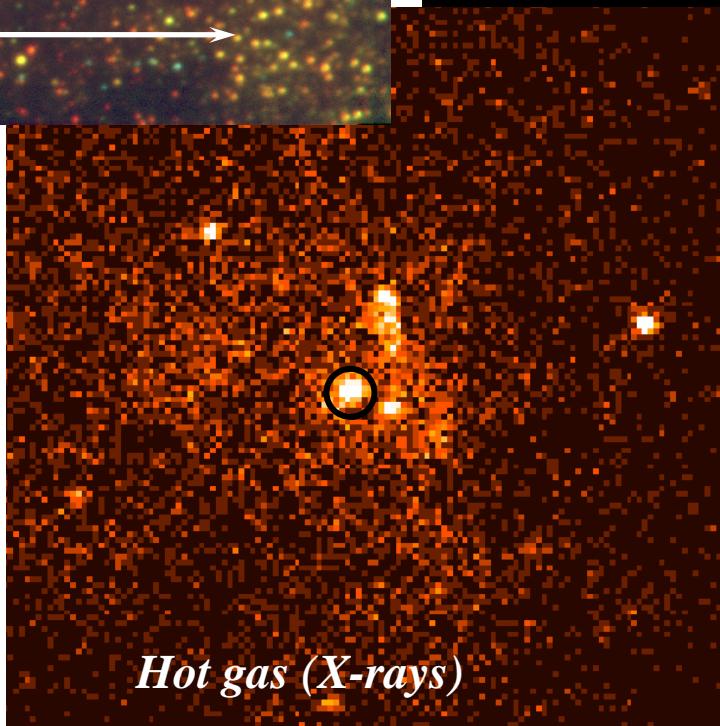


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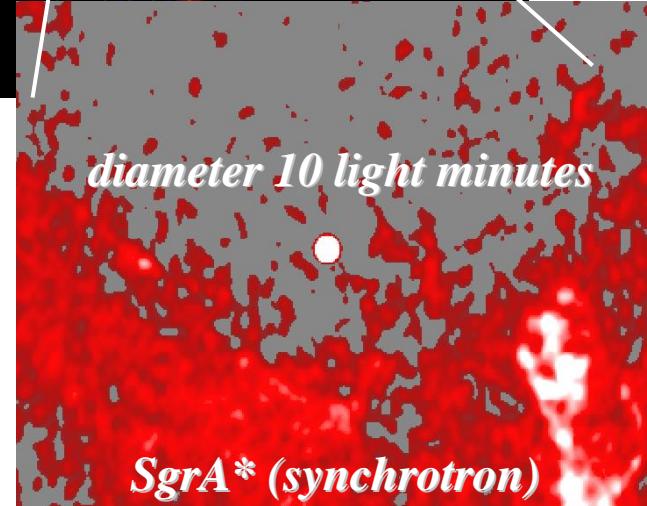


*The center  
of the Milky  
Way*

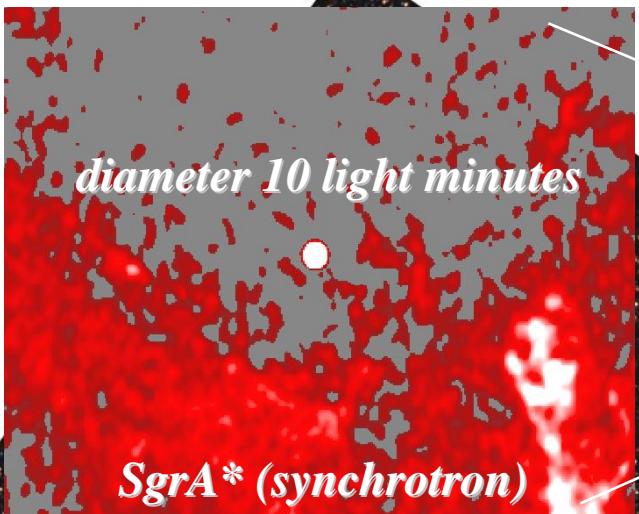
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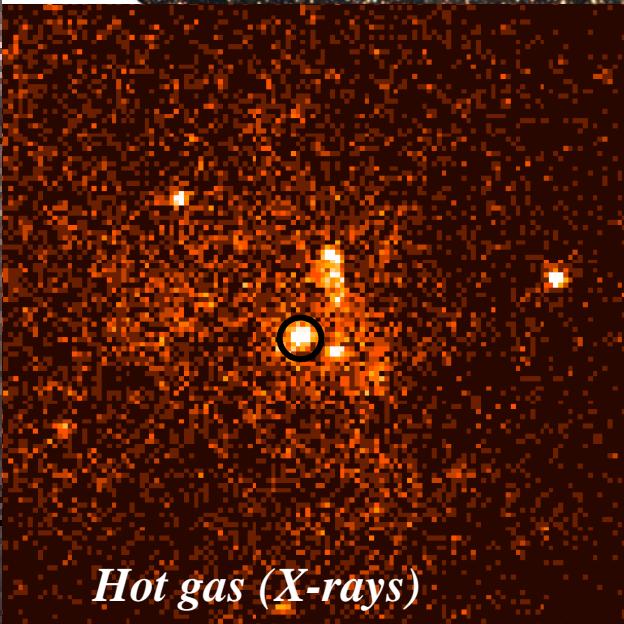
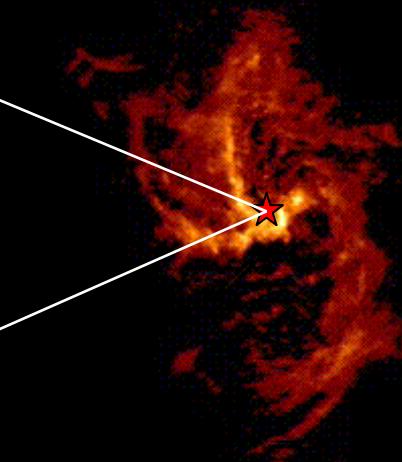
*diameter 10 light minutes*



*SgrA\* (synchrotron)*



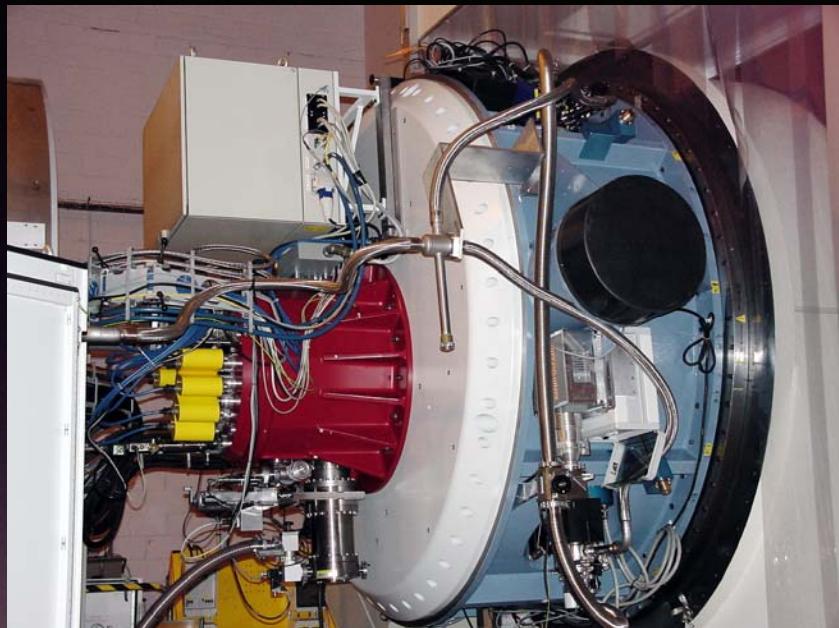
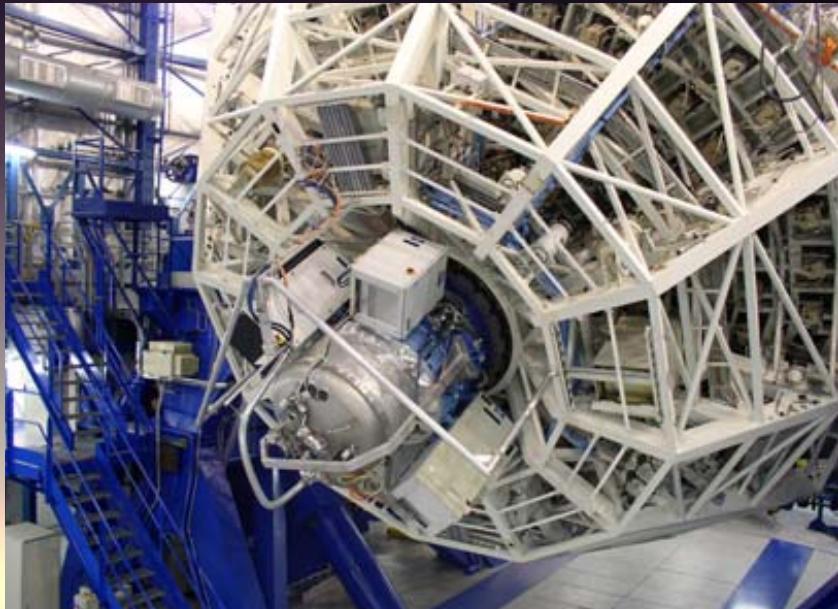
*Ionized gas (radio)*



*6' ( 50 light years)*

*Hot gas (X-rays)*

# *NAOS/CONICA and SINFONI*

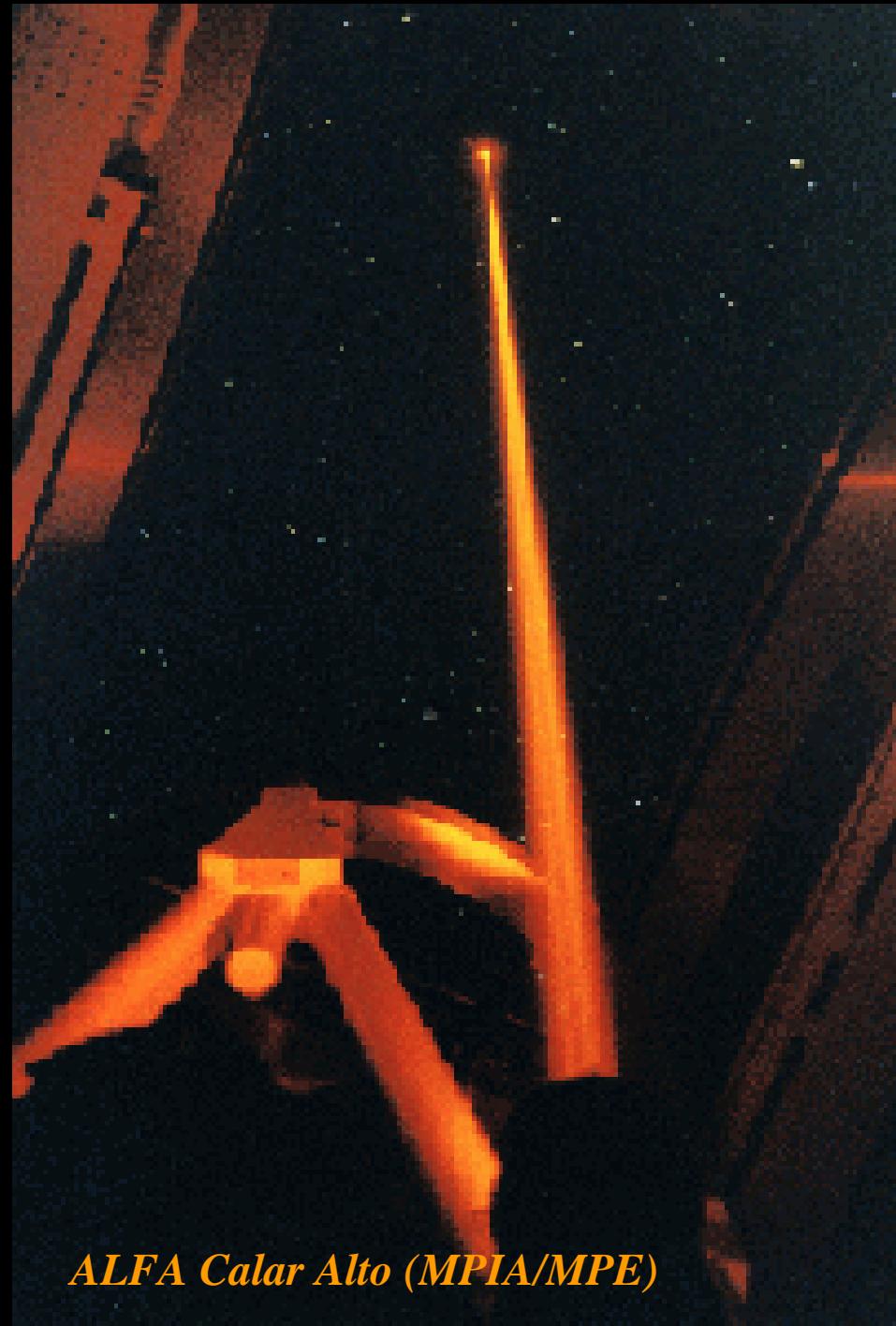


## **NAOS-CONICA:**

*Co-PIs: G.Rousset (ONERA),  
R.Lenzen (MPIA), R.Hofmann(MPE)*

## **SPIFFI/SINFONI:**

*PIs: F.Eisenhauer & N.Thatte (MPE)*



*ALFA Calar Alto (MPIA/MPE)*

# *SINFONI*

( = SPIFFI (MPE, PI F.Eisenhauer)+MACAO(ESO, PI H.Bonnet))

*Integral field spectrometer with reflective image slicer*

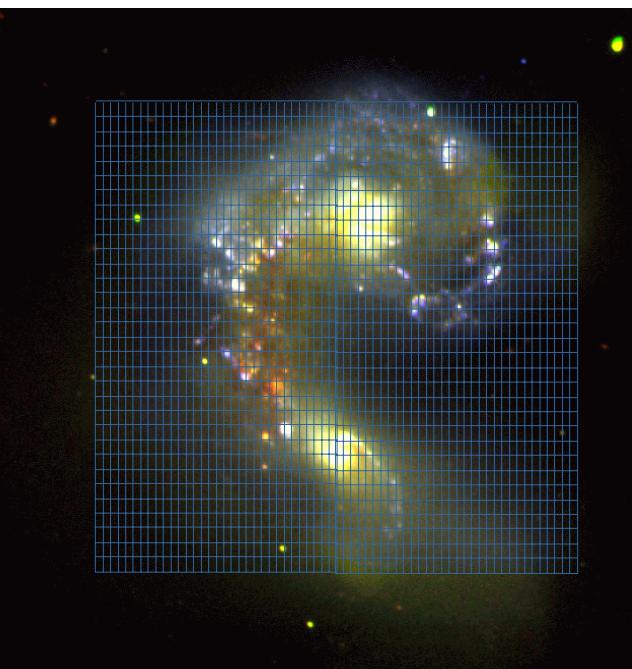
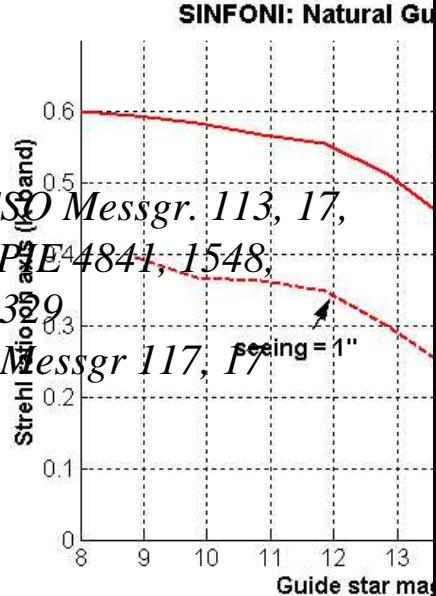
*32x64 spatial pixels (0.0125'', 0.05'', 0.125'') x 2000 spectral pixels (2K Hawaii)*

*spectral resolving power: 2000-5000*

*~40% throughput in J, H and K*

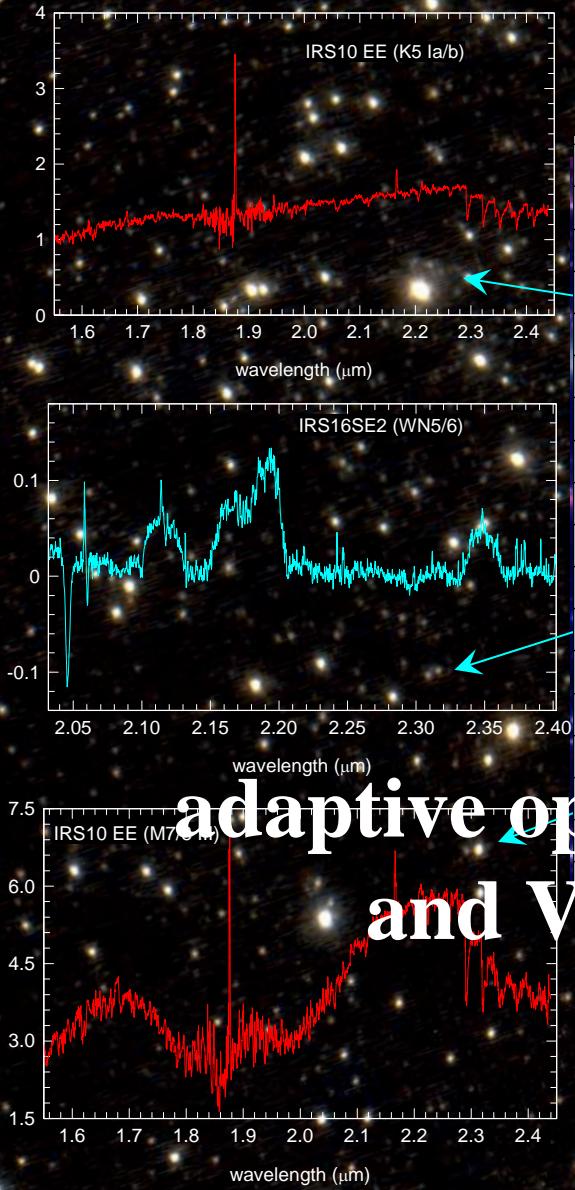
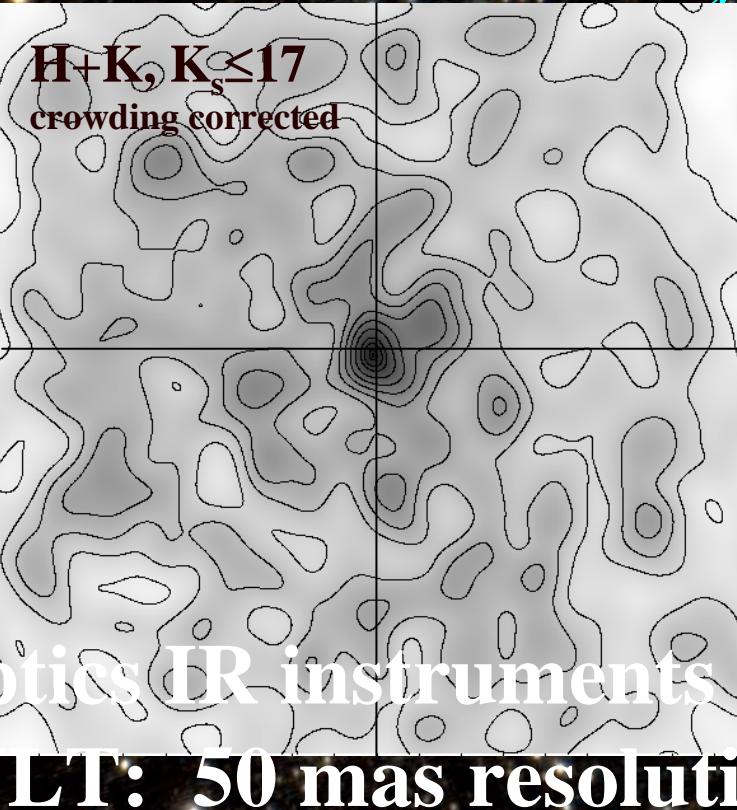
*60 element, curvature sensor AO system/bimorph mirror with APDs*

Eisenhauer et al. 2003, ESO Messgr. 113, 17,  
Eisenhauer et al. 2003, SPIE 4841, 1548,  
Bonnet et al. SPIE 4839, 329  
Bonnet et al., 2004, ESO Messgr 117, P7



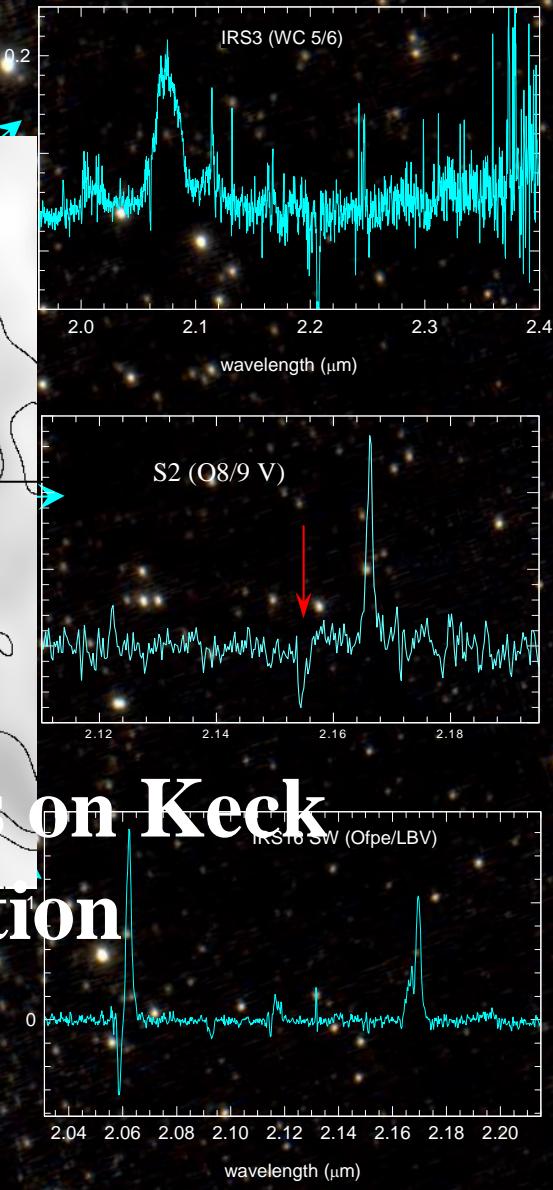
ance (2005)

# *stellar cusp and its properties*



adaptive optics IR instruments on Keck  
and VLT: 50 mas resolution

NACO SINFONI  
 $H/K_s/L'$

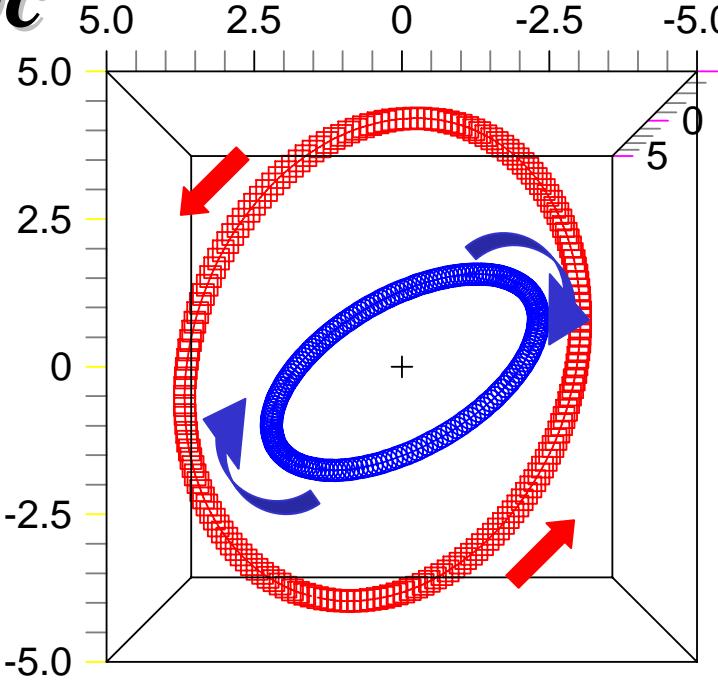
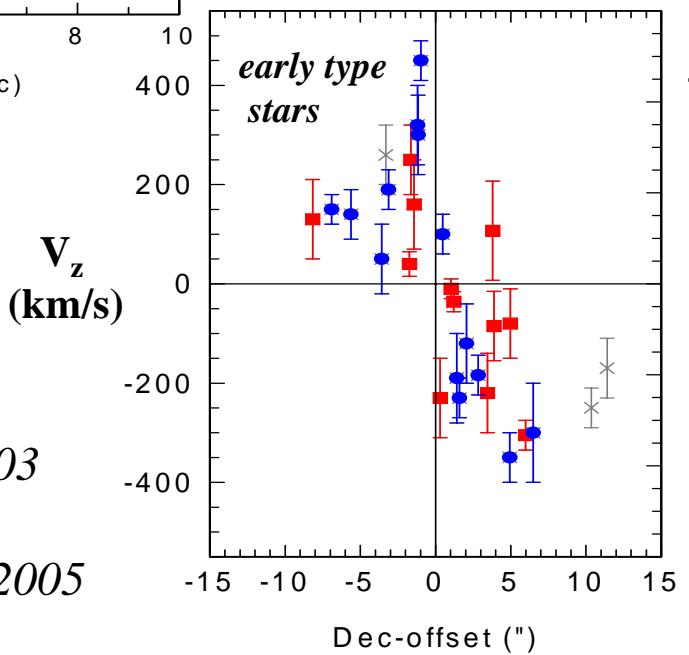
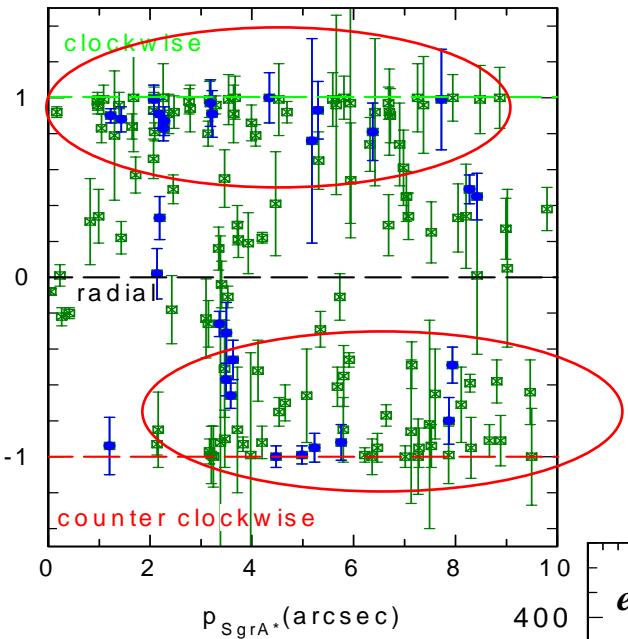


Ghez et al. 2004, Keck laser guide star AO

Genzel et al. 2003, Ott et al. 2004

# *two coeval, rotating discs of stars at $R \sim 0.1\text{--}0.5\,\text{pc}$*

- early K < 14.7
- early K < 12



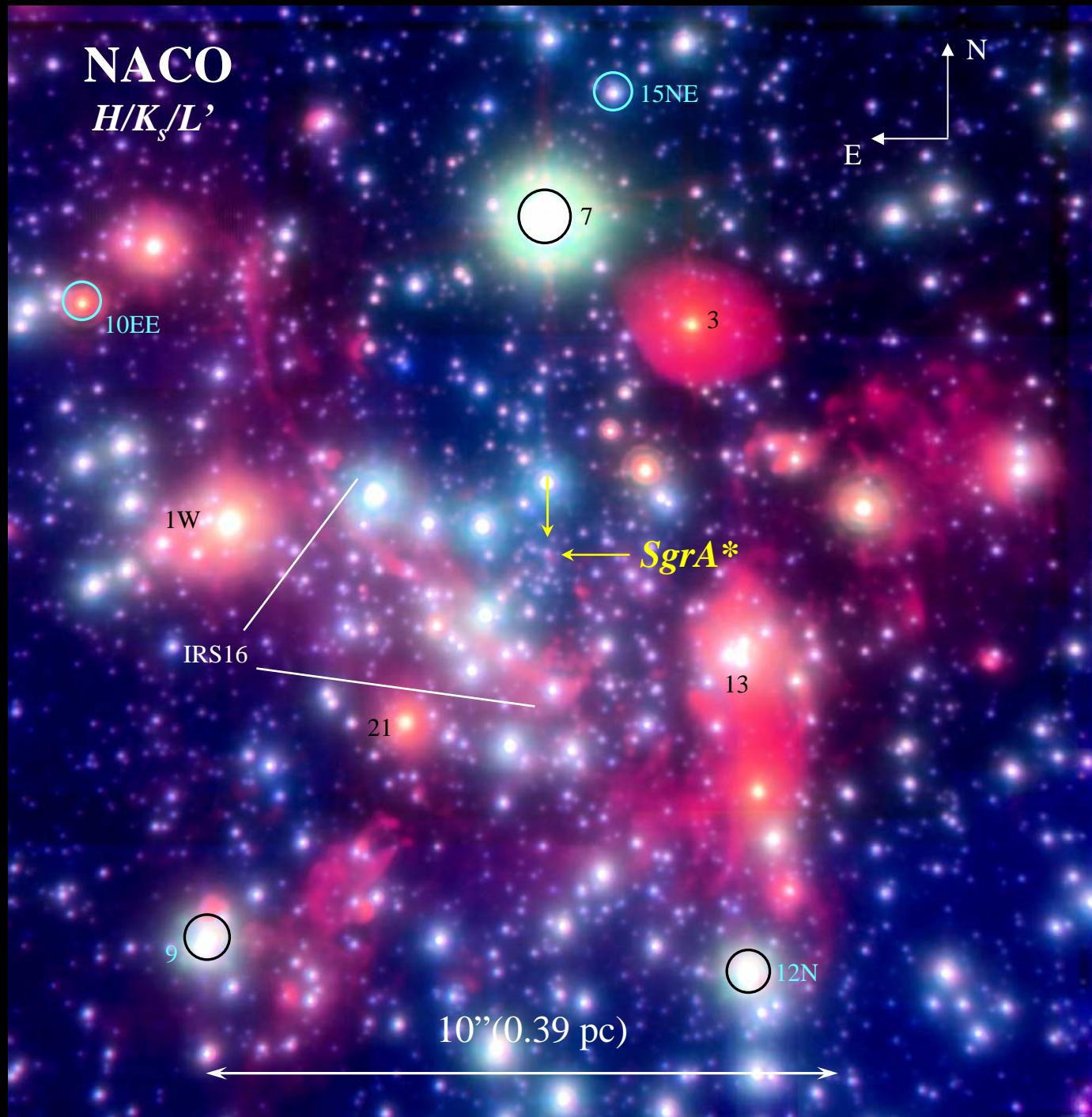
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<i>WC8/9</i>	5	5
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*Genzel et al. 2000, 2003*

*Ott et al. 2004,*

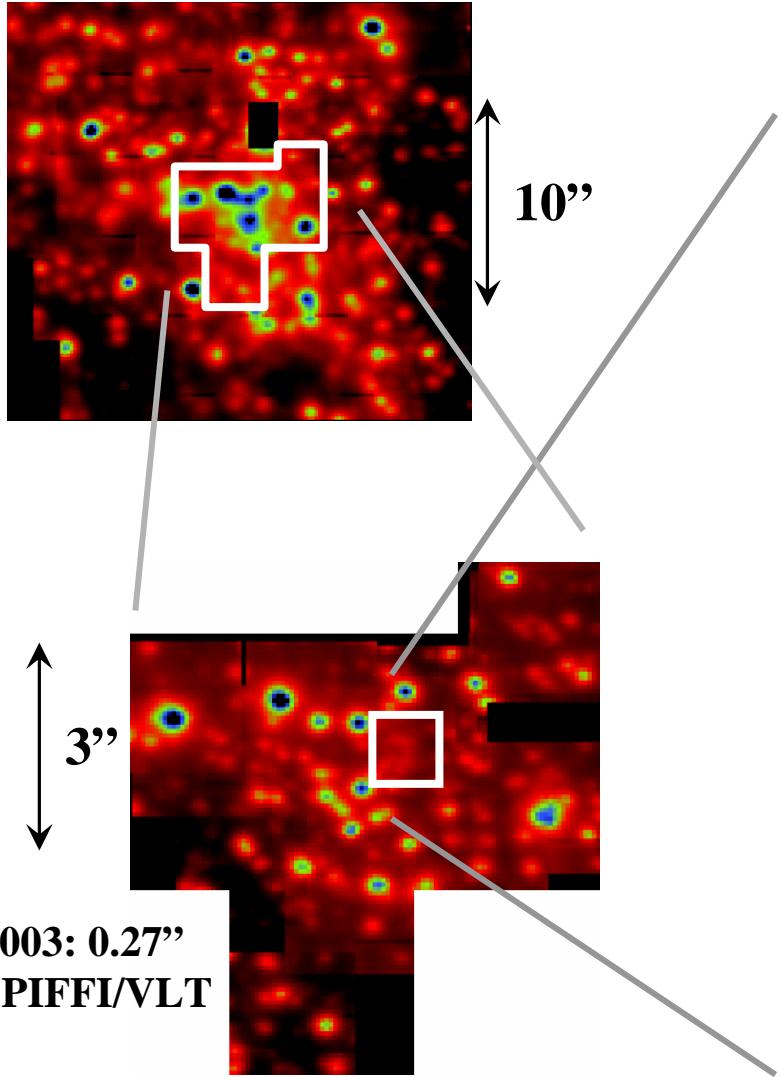
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**NACO**  
 $H/K_s/L'$

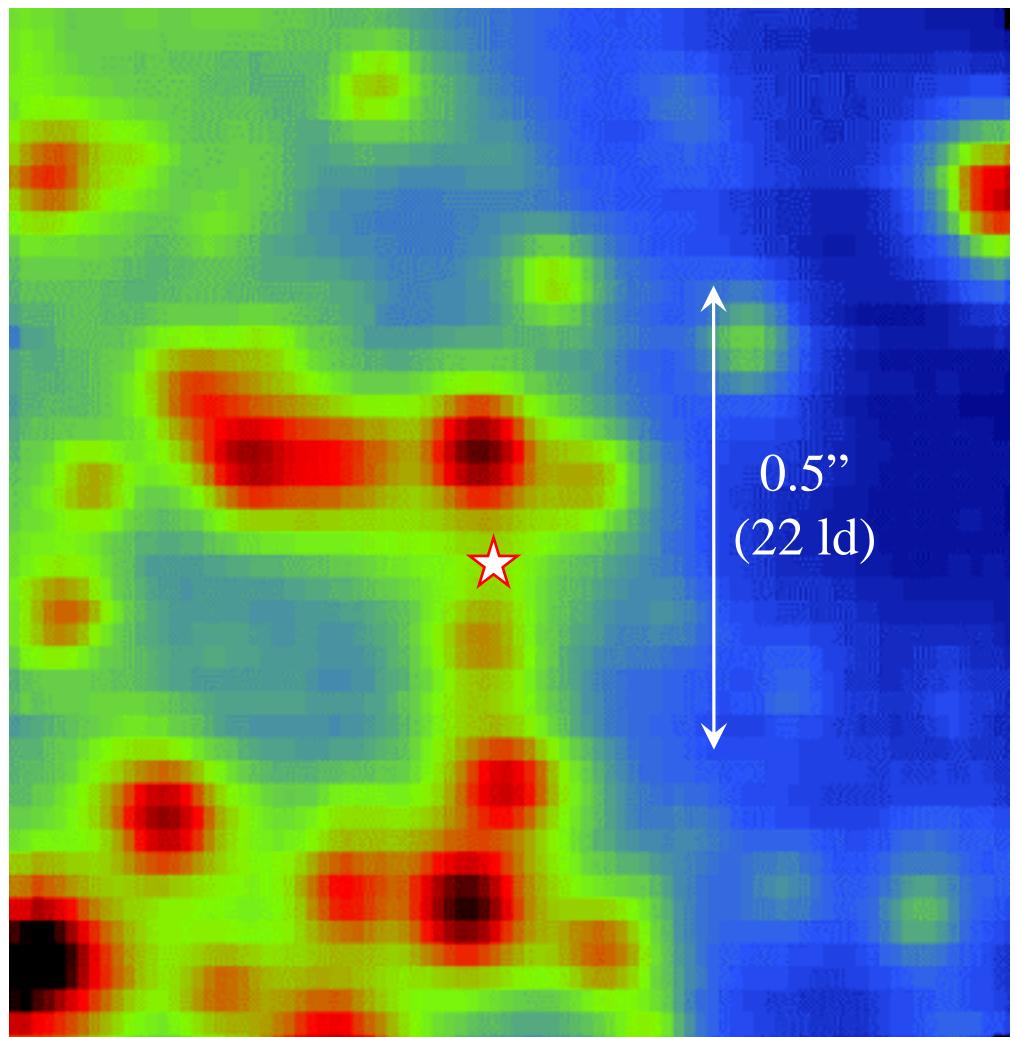


# *Integral field spectroscopy*

1996: 0.6'' with 3D

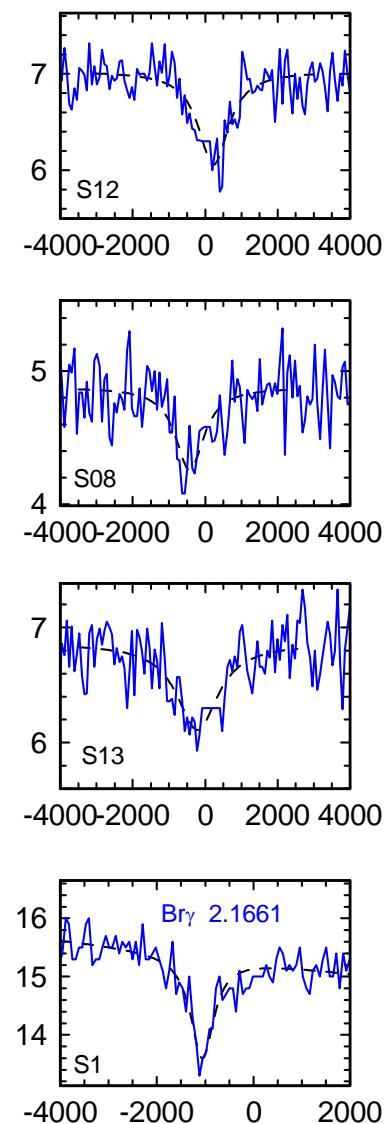
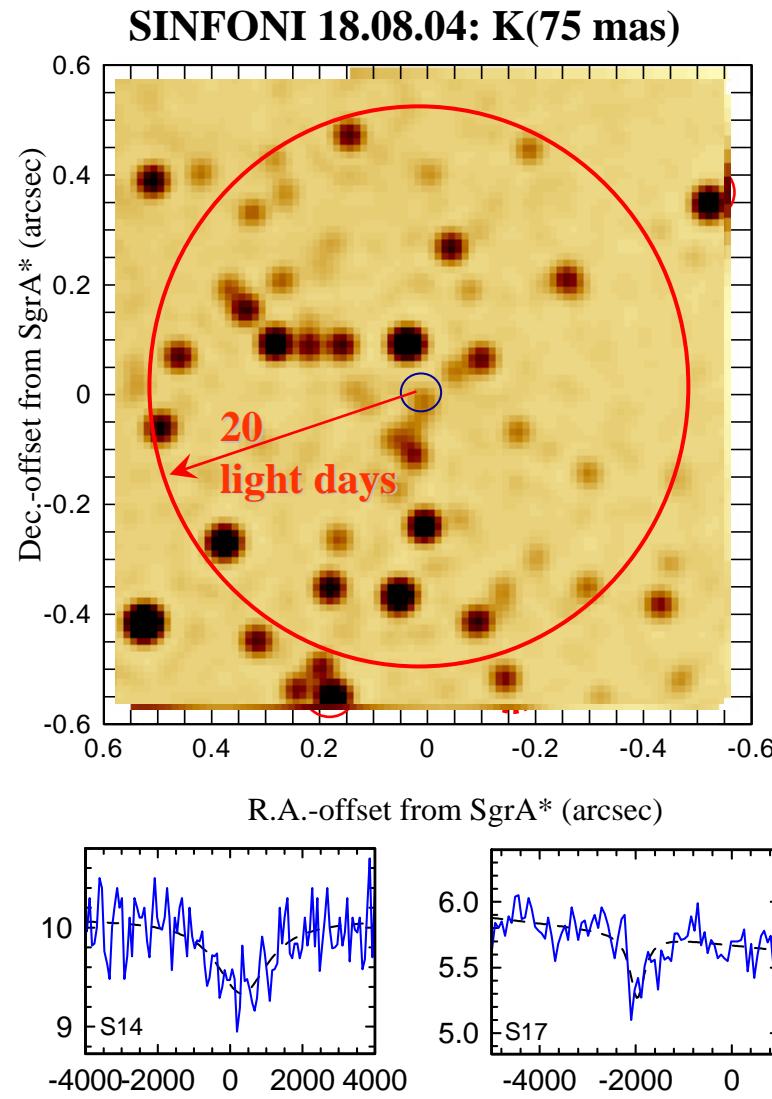
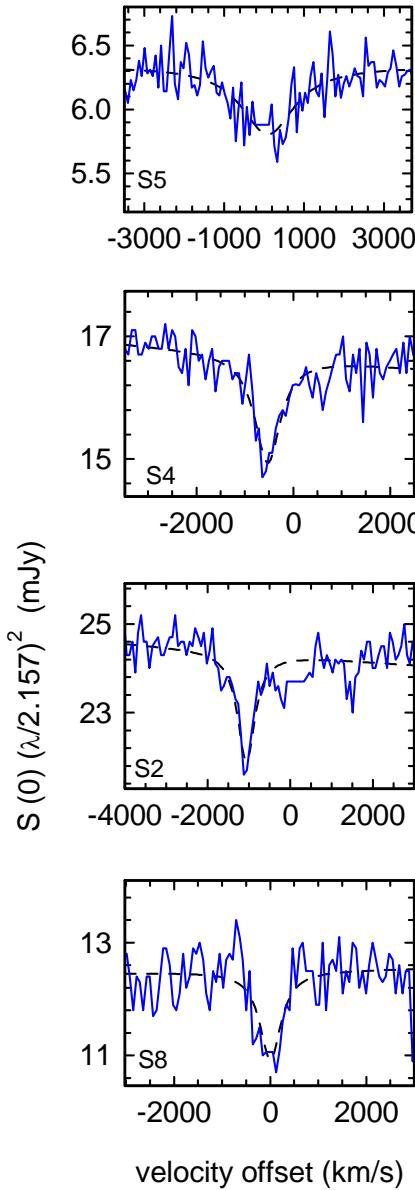


2004: 0.07'' with SINFONI/VLT +AO



2003: 0.27''  
SPIFFI/VLT

# *stars in the central 20 light days: a paradox of youth*



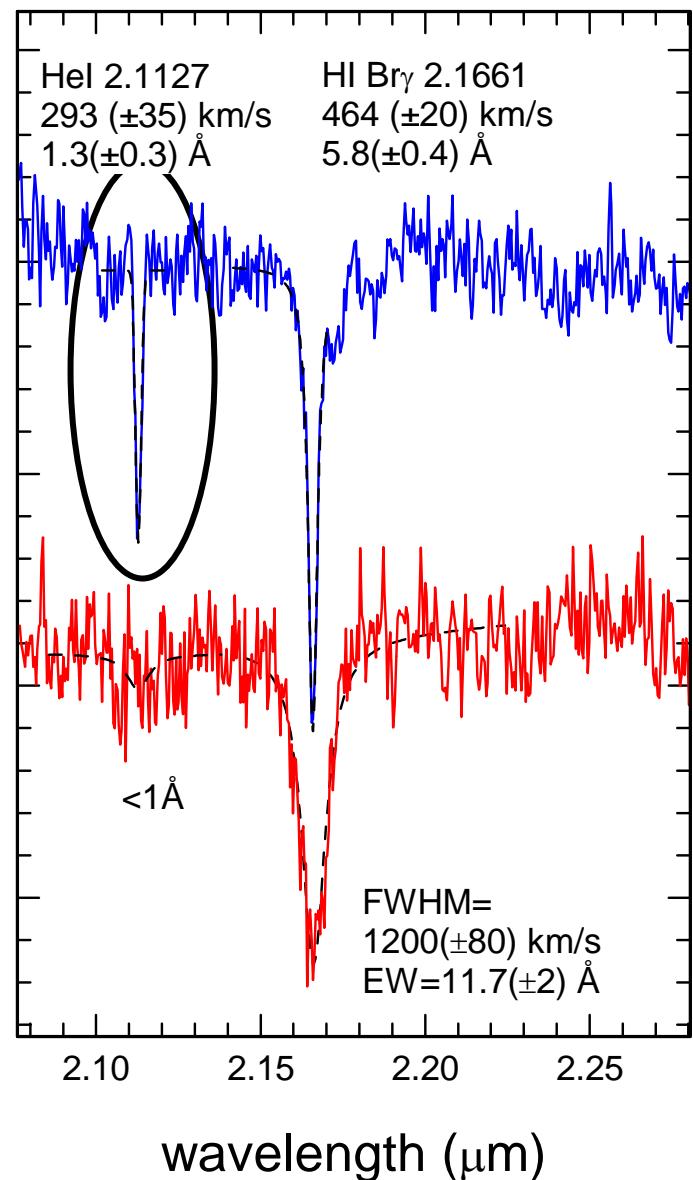
# *ordinary B main sequence-stars !*

HeI:

$v_{\text{rot}} \sin(i) \sim 0.55$  FWHM =  $154(\pm 19)$   
km/s.

solar neighborhood early B stars  
 $\langle v_{\text{rot}} \sin i \rangle \sim 130$  km/s

(Gathier, Lamers & Snow 1981)



# *paradox of youth: two basic scenarios*

- *in situ formation*
  - from molecular clouds
  - formation in massive disk
  - collision of less massive stars

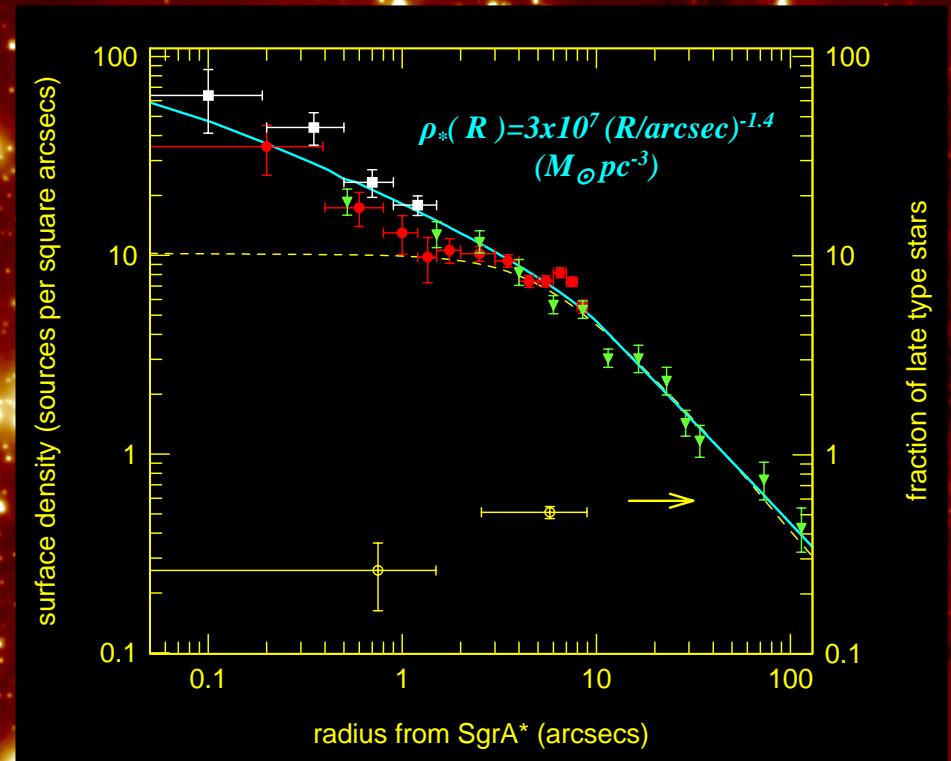
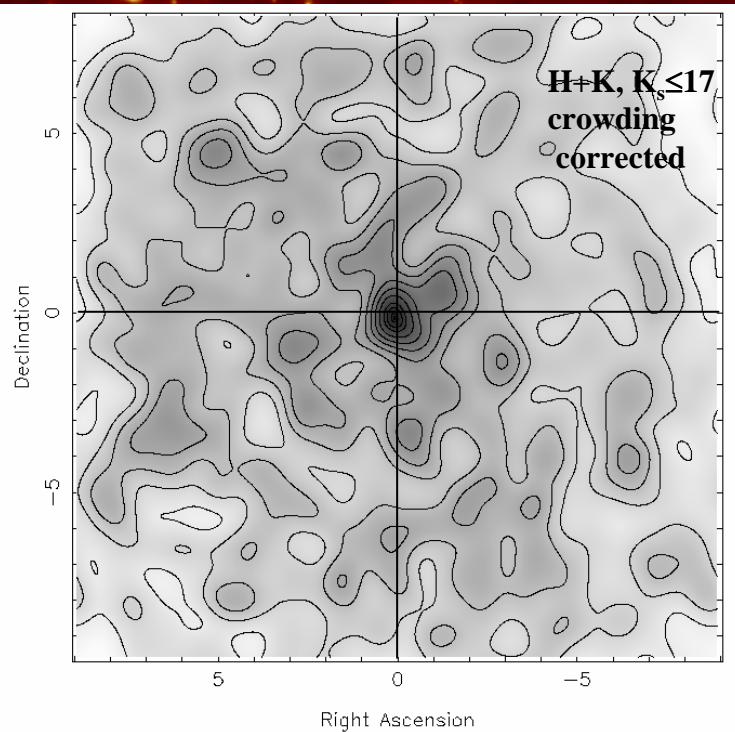
*general problem: tidal field*

- *external star formation and migration*
  - mass segregation
  - spiraling in of star cluster
  - scattering

*general problem: timescale and efficiency*

*Morris 1993, Genzel, Hollenbach & Townes 1994, Lee 1994, Sanders 1998, Gerhard 2001, Portegies Zwart et al. 2002, Levin & Beloborodov 2003, Nayakshin et al. 2003, 2004, Gould & Quillen 2003, Genzel et al. 2003, Hansen & Milosavlevic 2003, Kim & Morris 2003, Alexander 2003, Milosavlevic & Loeb 2004*

# NACO/VLT AO images



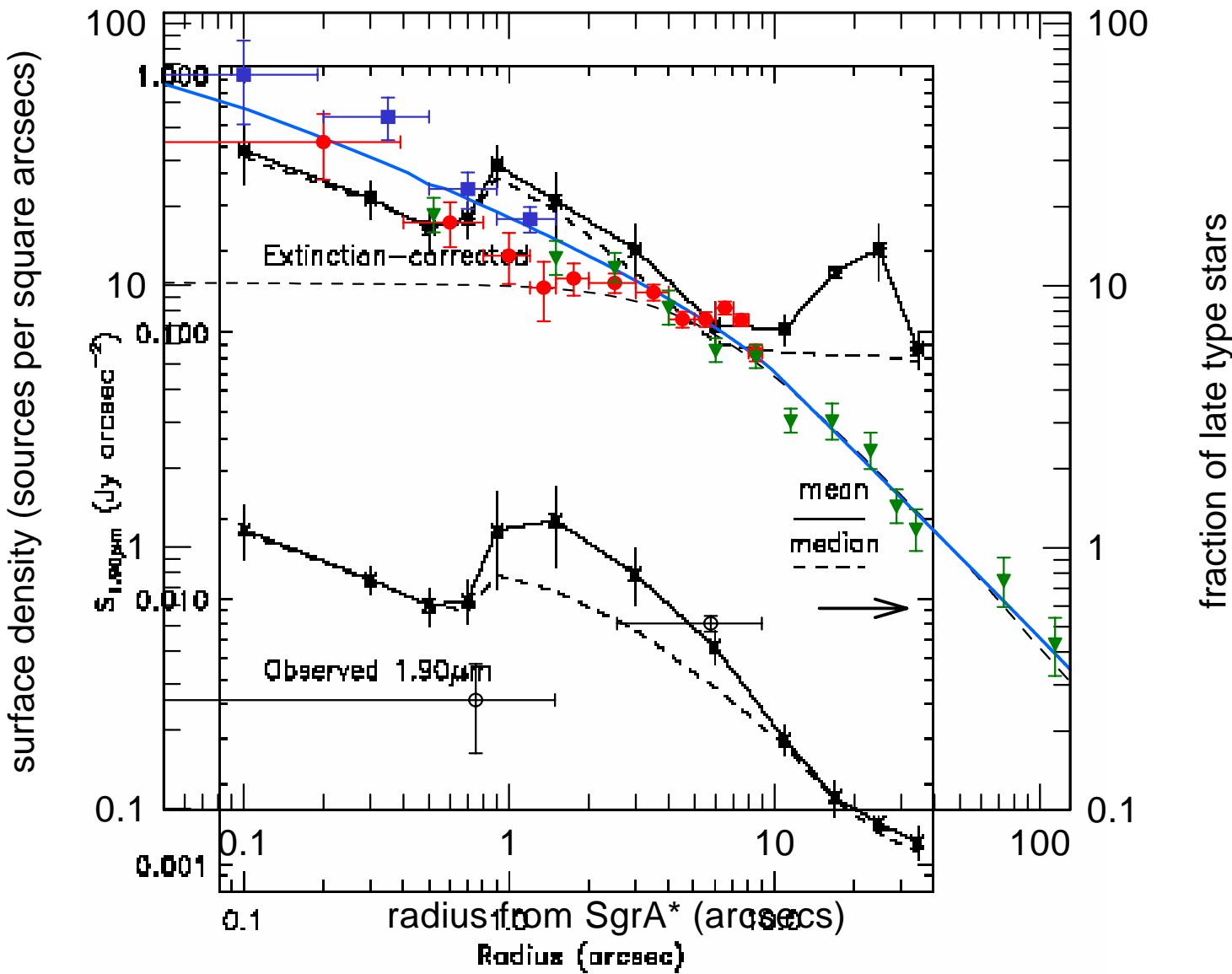
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10''(0.39 pc)

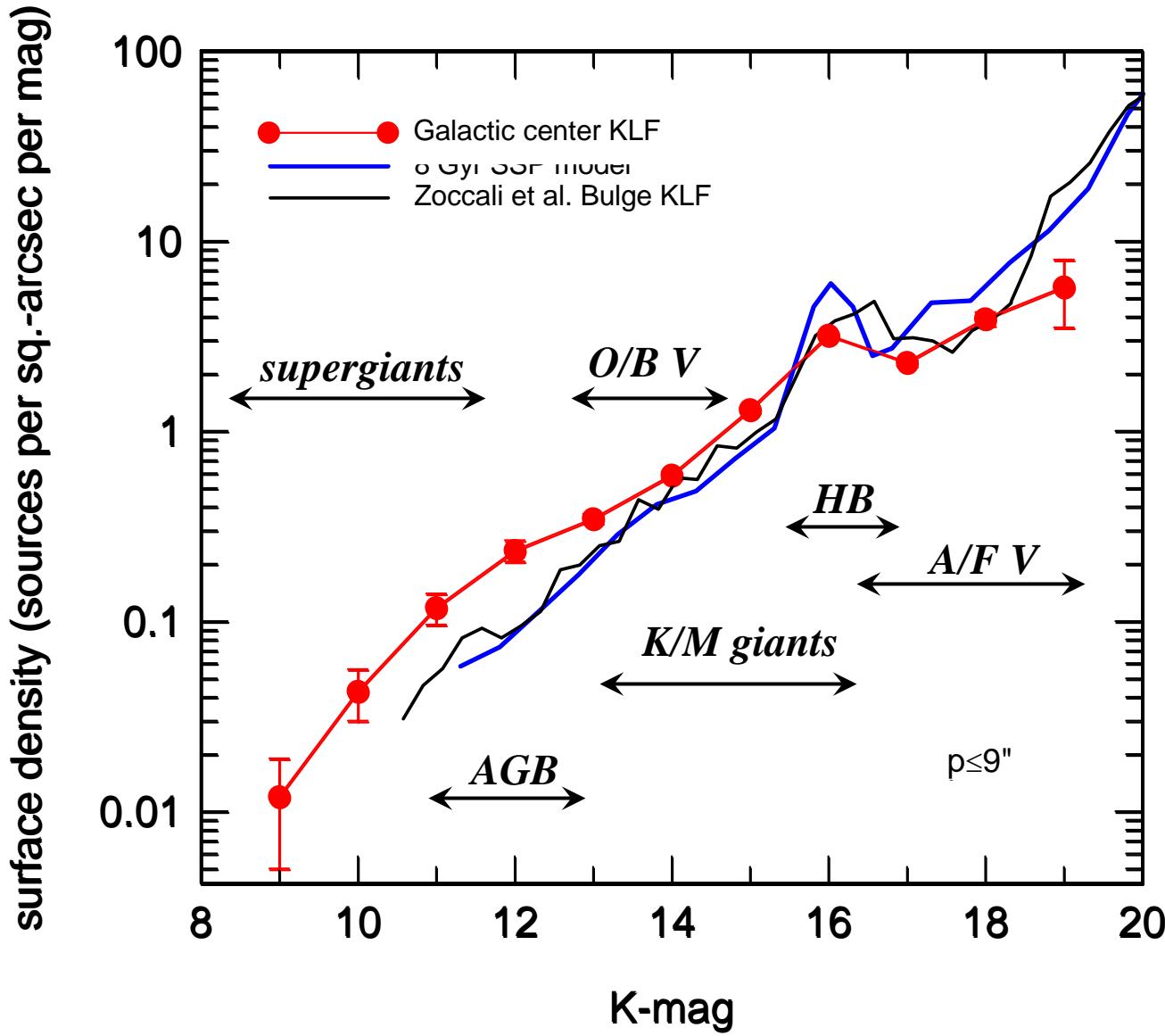
Genzel et al. 2003, Ap.J. 594, 812

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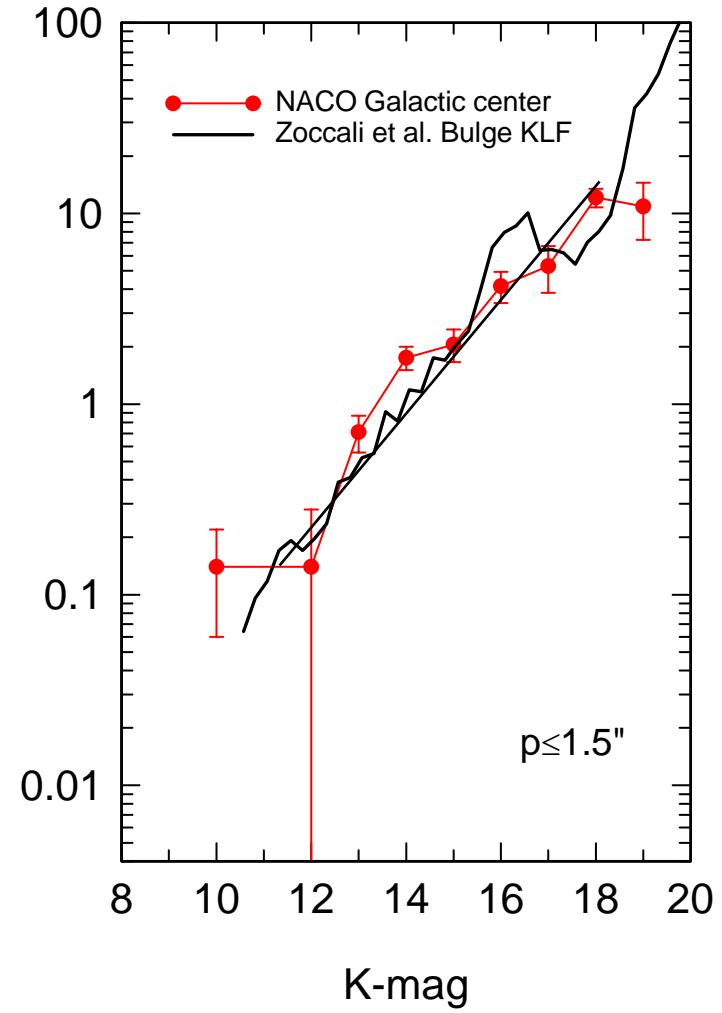
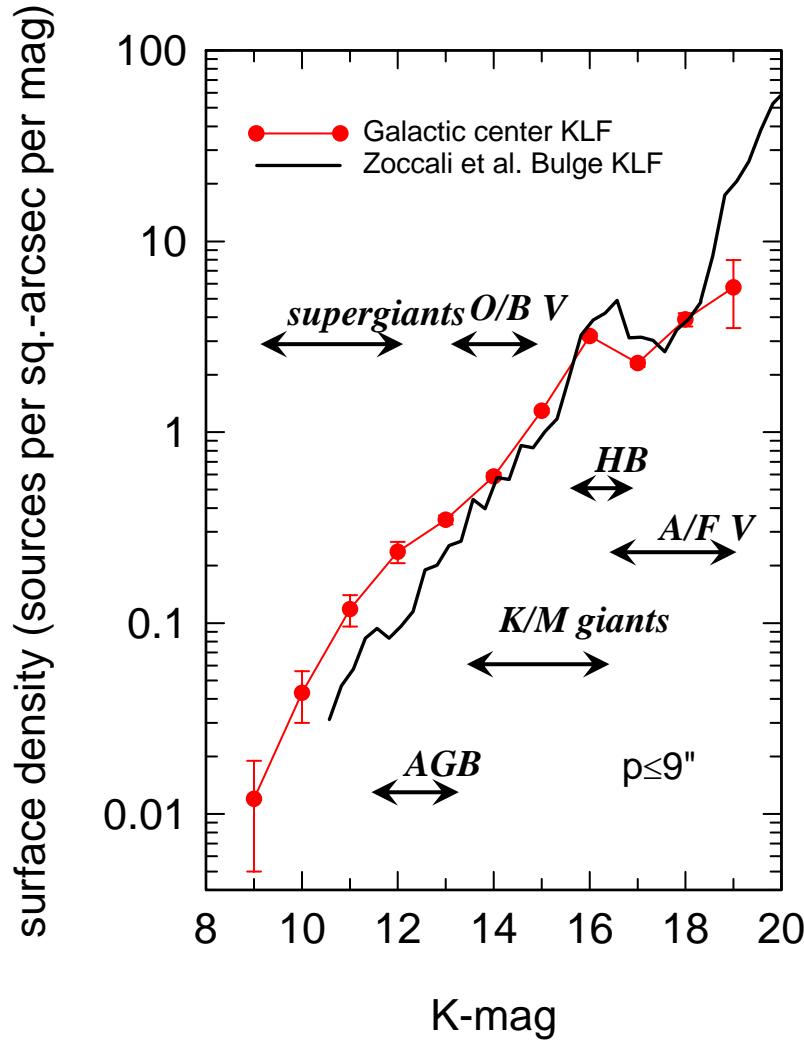
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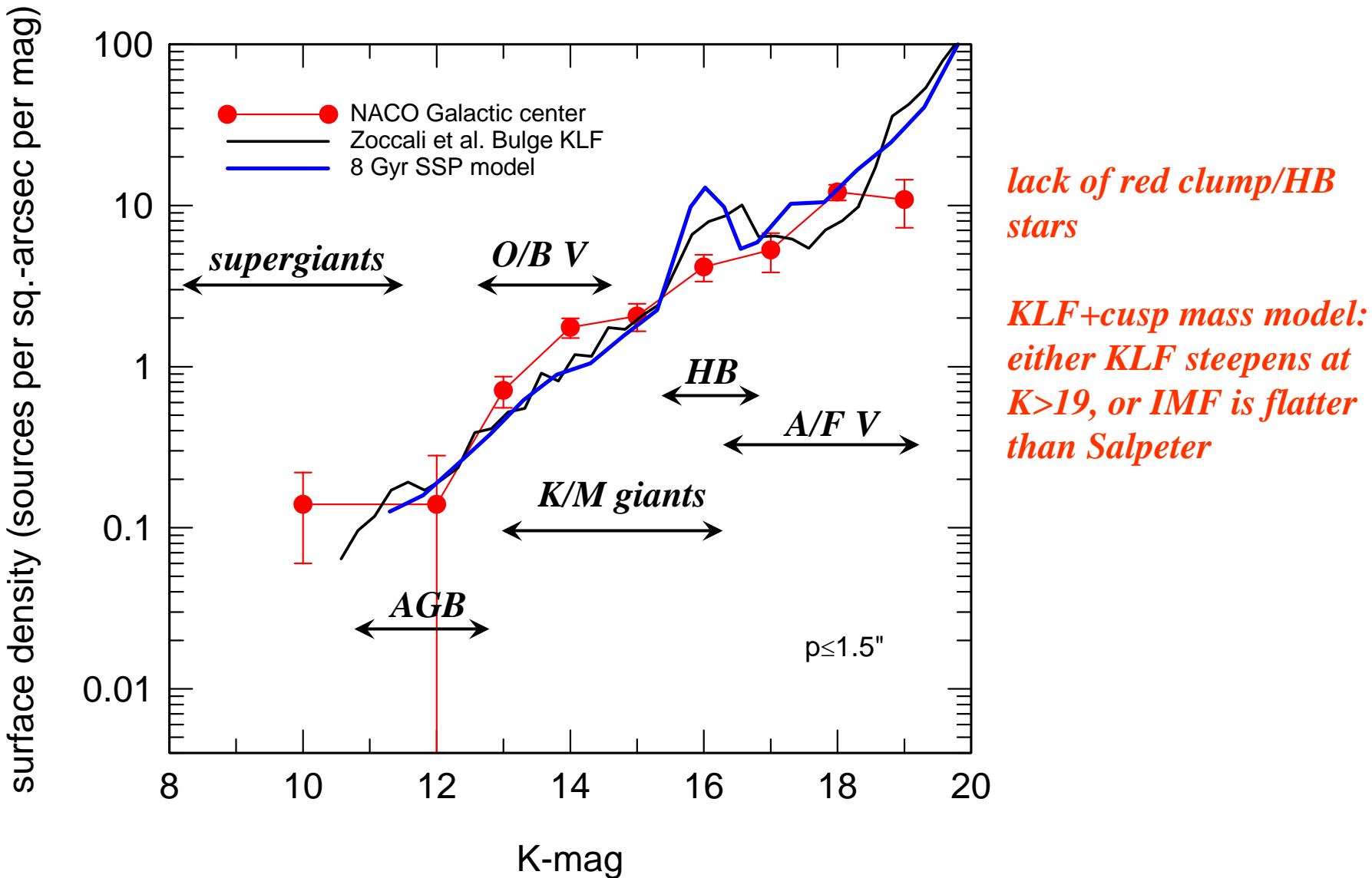
*Best fit:*  
*old metal rich component + young burst population,*  
*or*  
*constant star formation*

*Genzel et al. 2003,  
Zoccali et al. 2002,  
Tiede et al. 1995,  
Figer 2002*

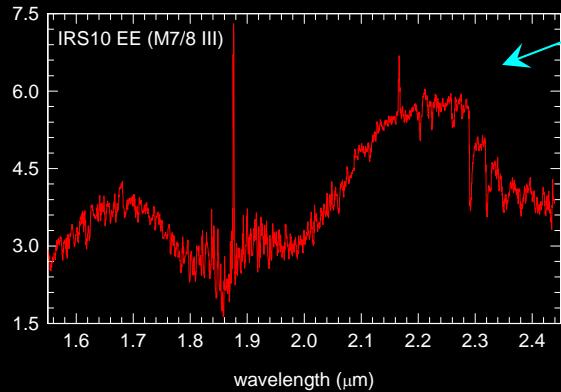
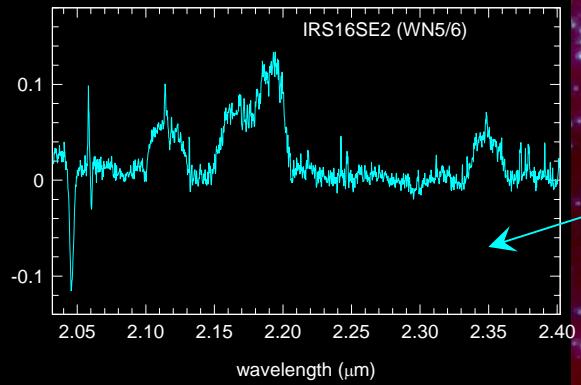
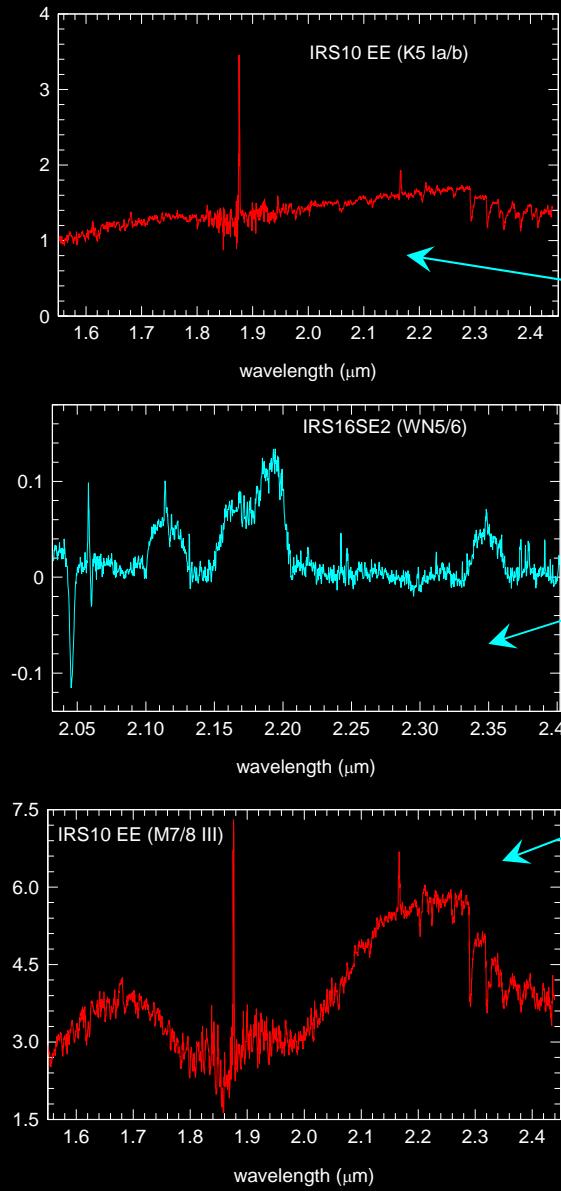
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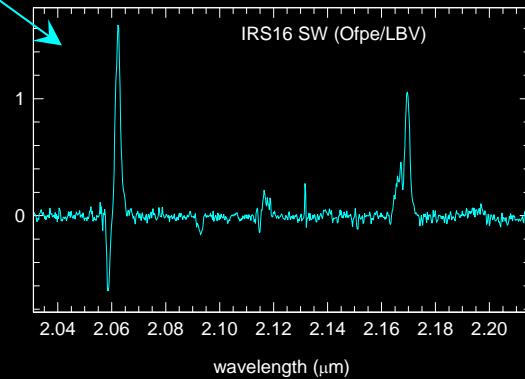
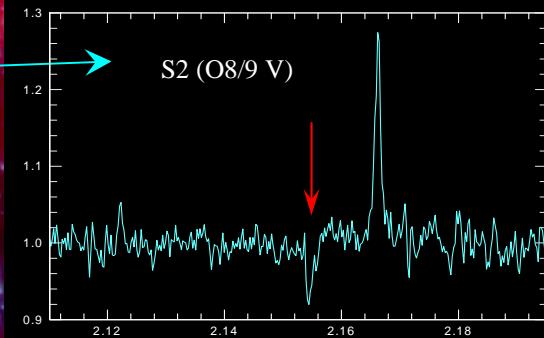
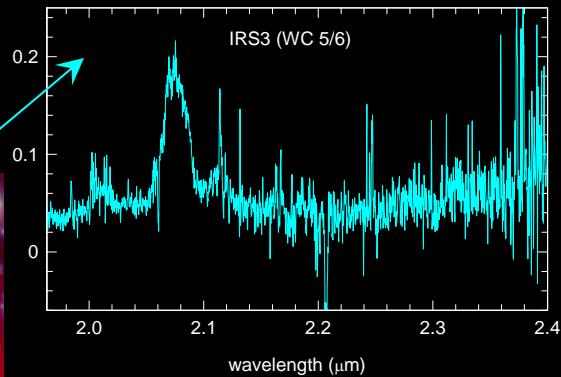
# *KLF of cusp*



# *SPIFFI 3D* *spectroscopy*

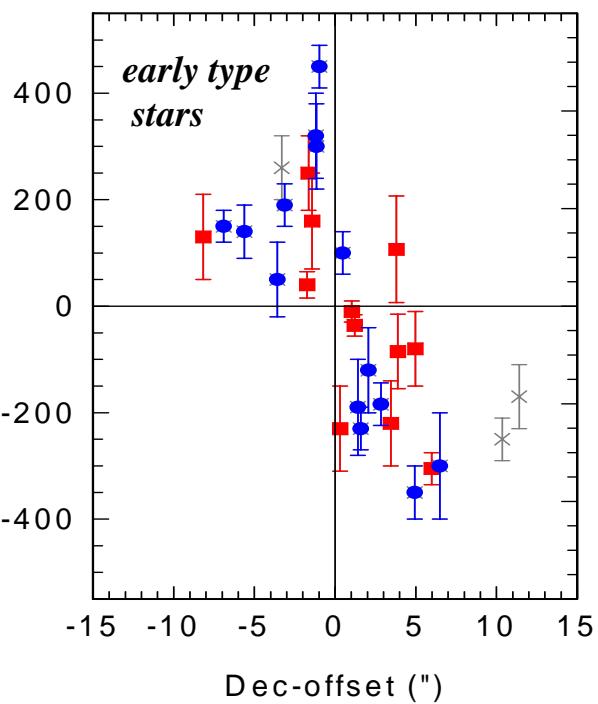
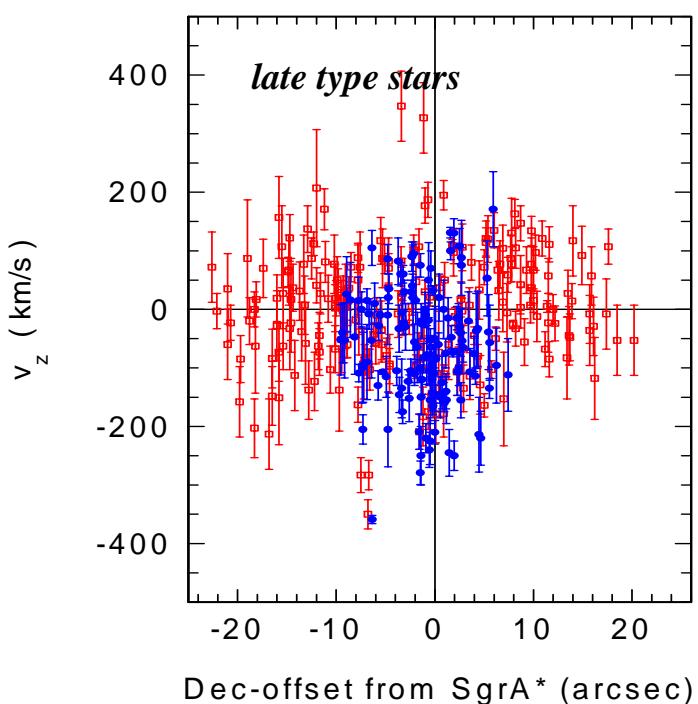
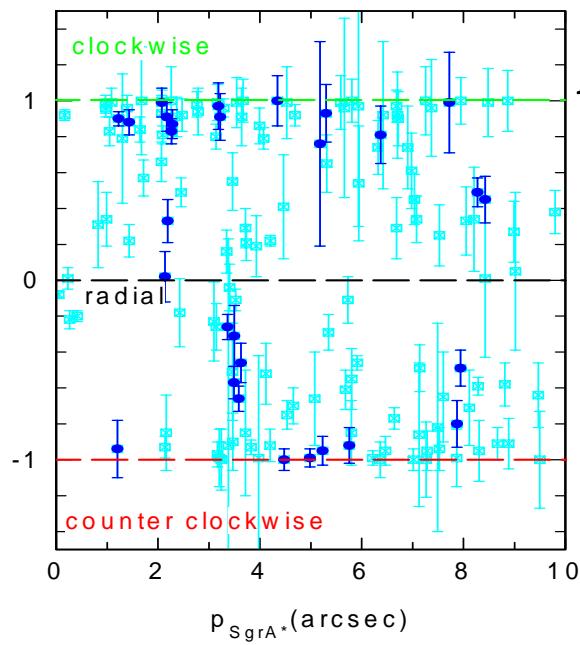
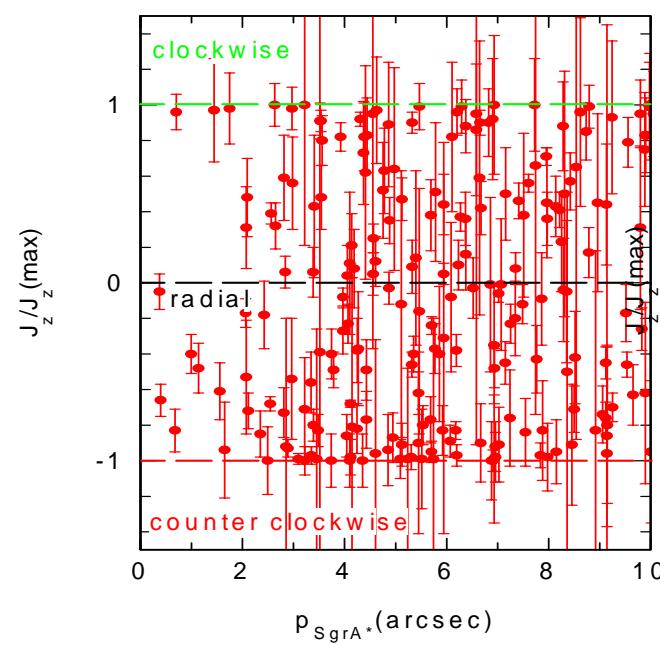


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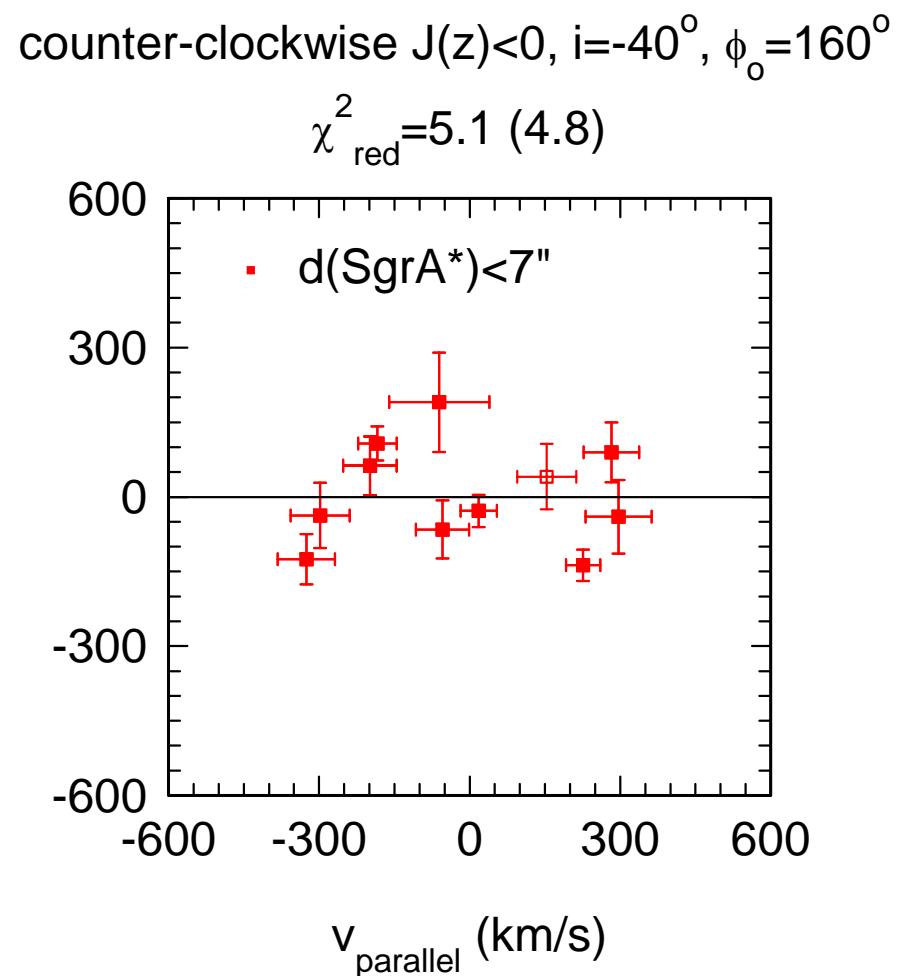
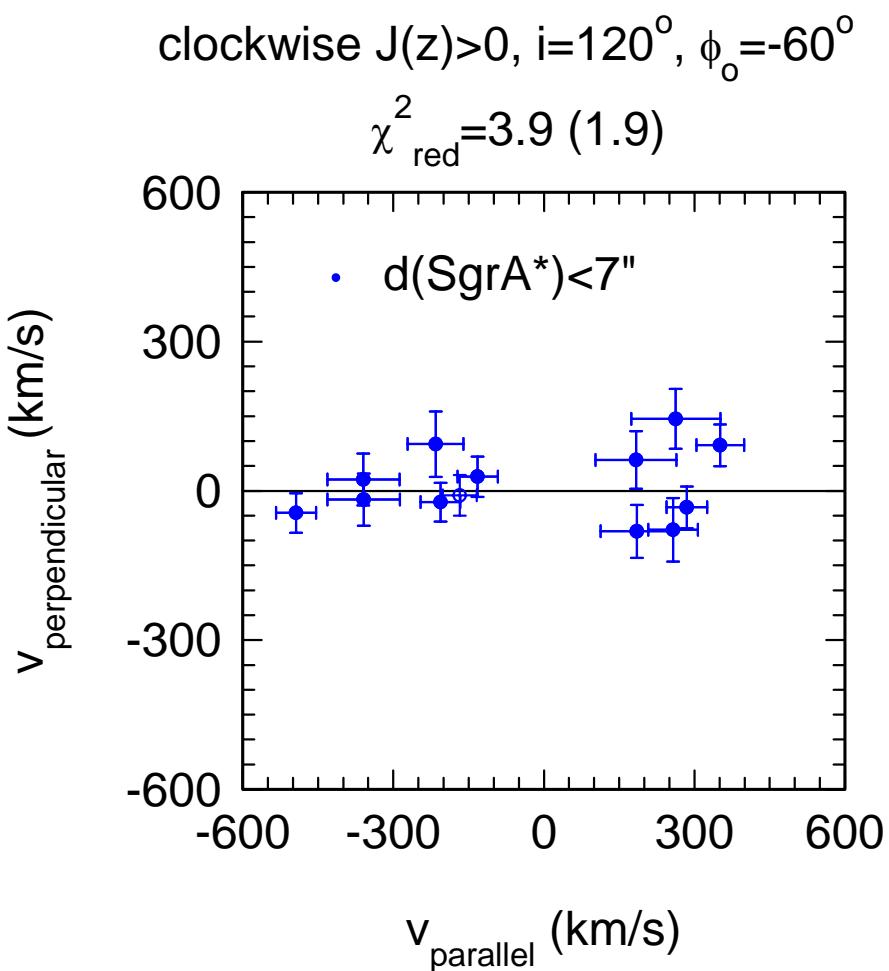


# Dynamics of stellar components

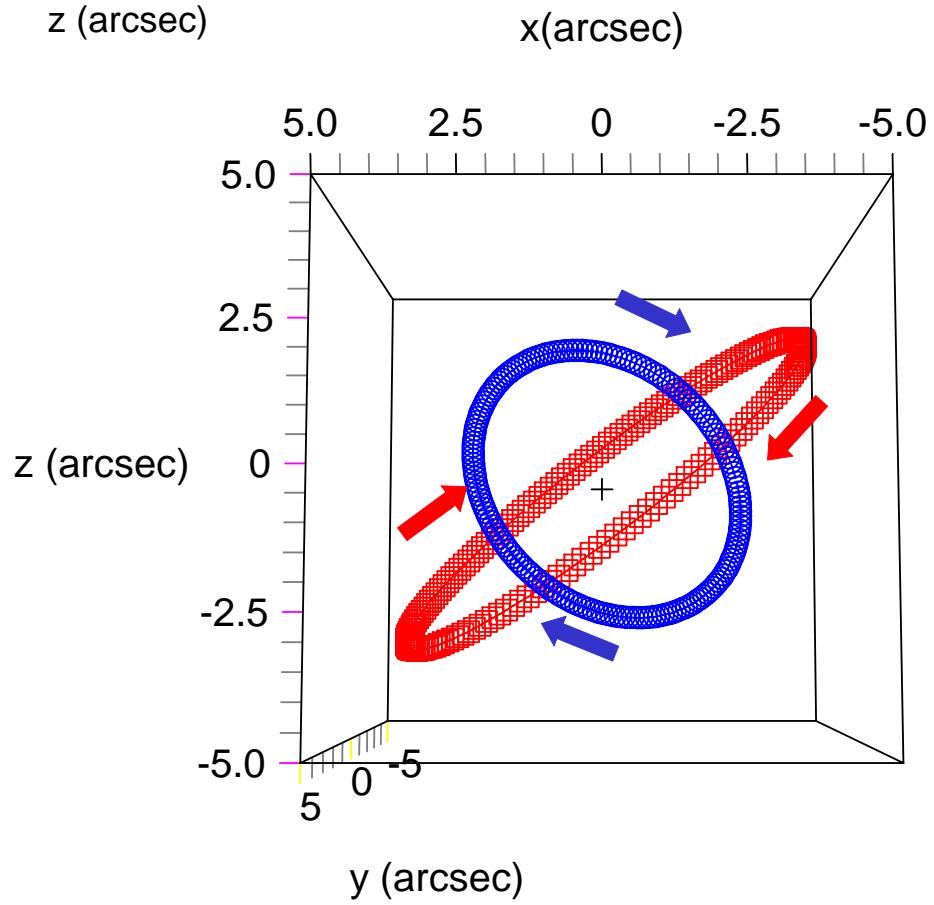
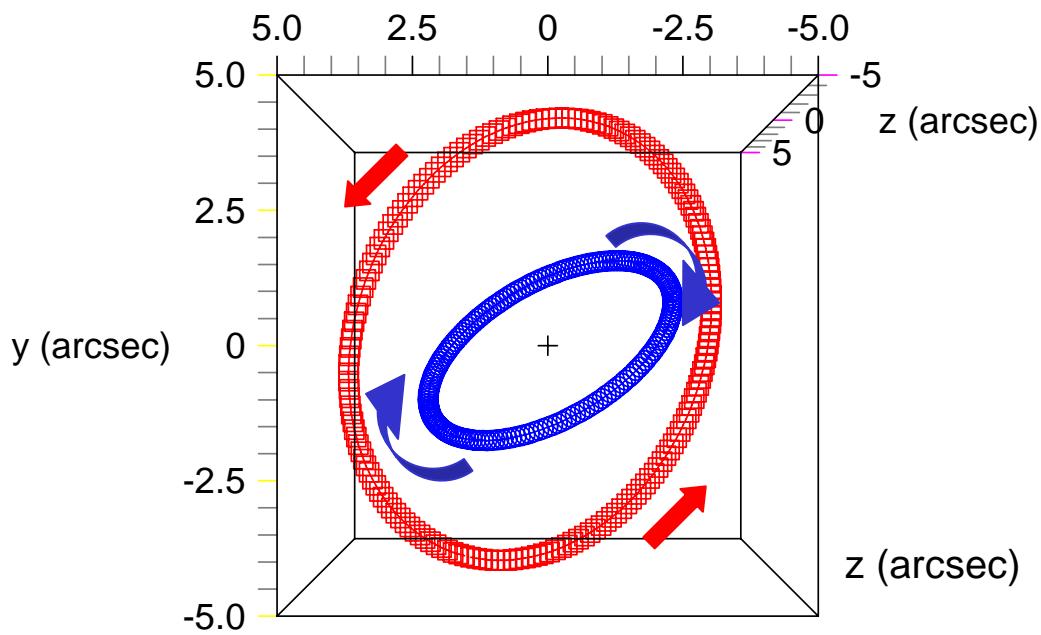
10<sup>3</sup> proper motions  
and radial velocities  
(Ott et al. 2004)



McGinn et al. 1989,  
Sellgren et al. 1990,  
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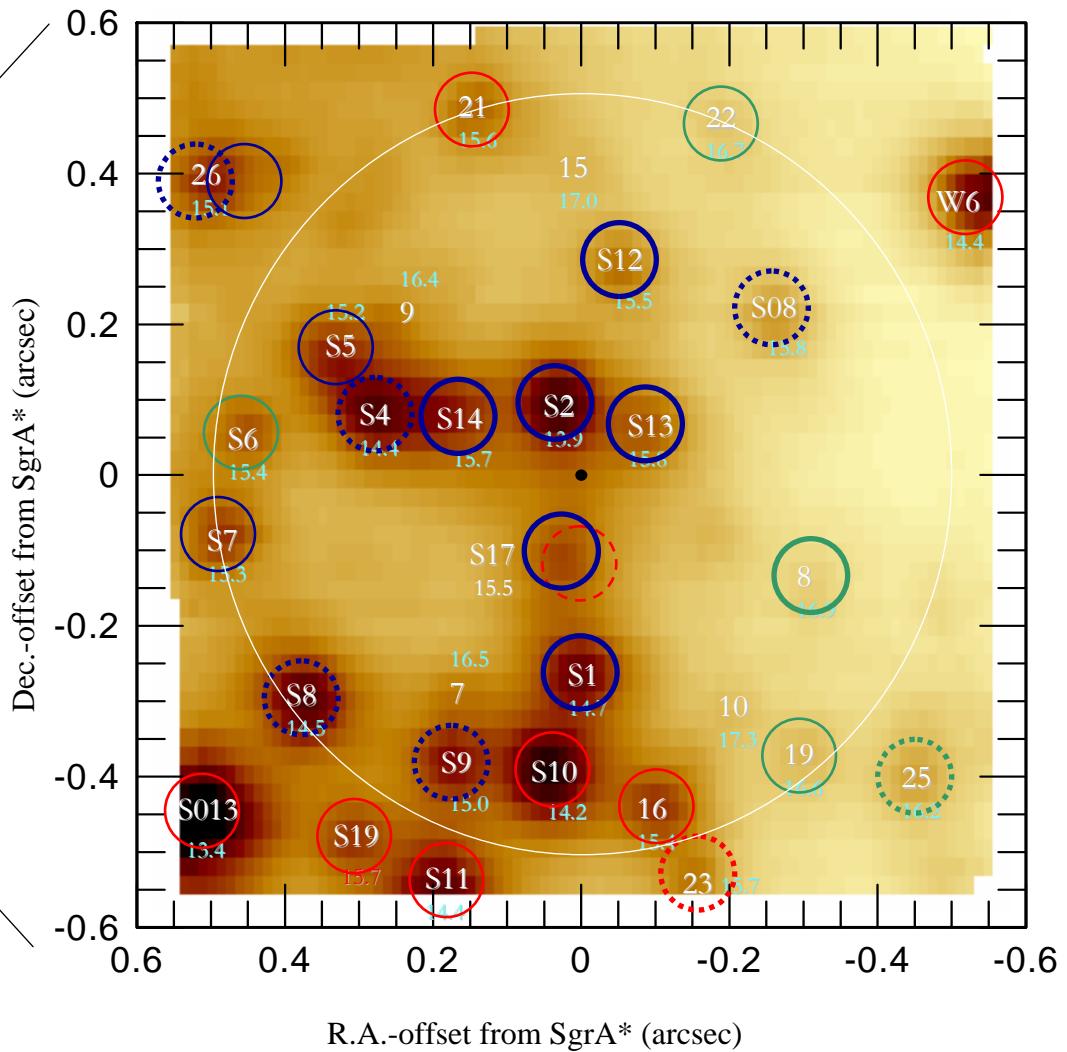


# *massive stars in two counter-rotating disks*

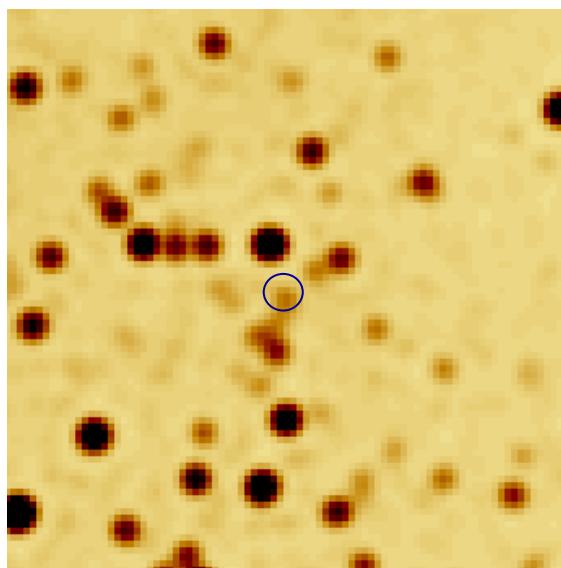


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SINFONI 18.08.04: K(75 mas)



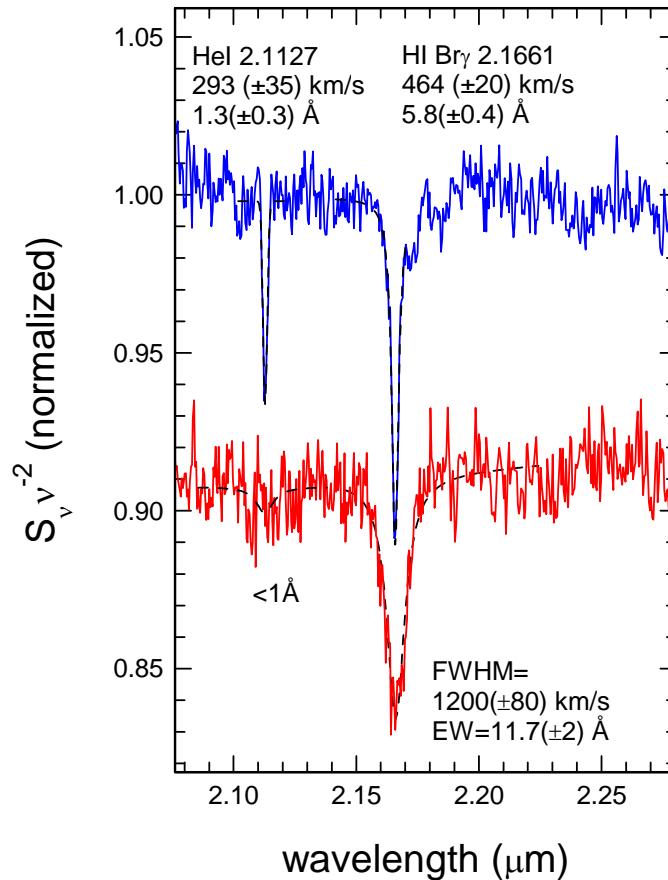
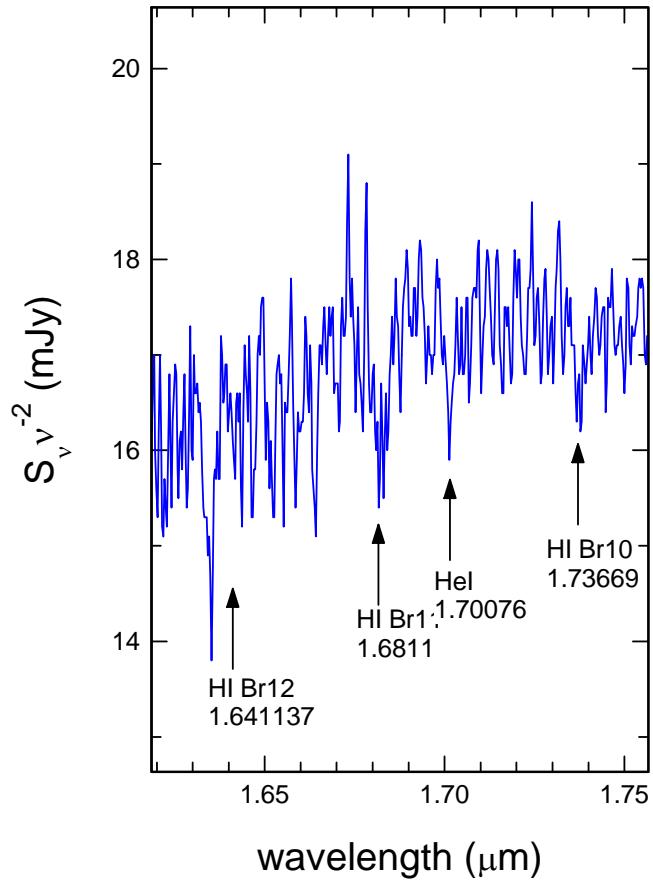
NACO 10.06.04: H (40mas)



0.5'' (23 light days)

# *S-stars are main sequence B-stars*

— K=15.1-16: S5,6, 08, 12, 13, 14 July+Aug  
— K≤15: S1,2,4,8,9 July+Aug

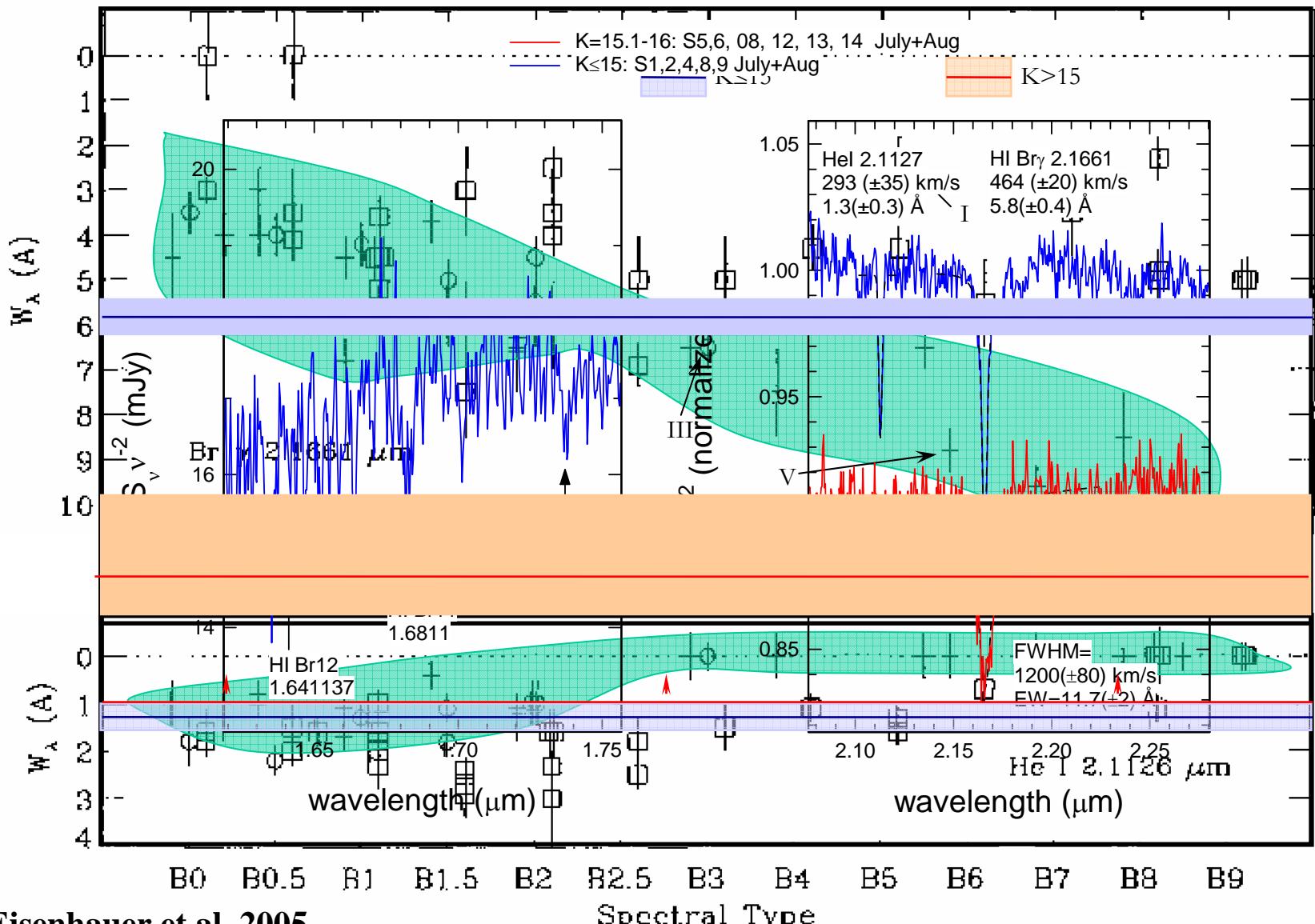


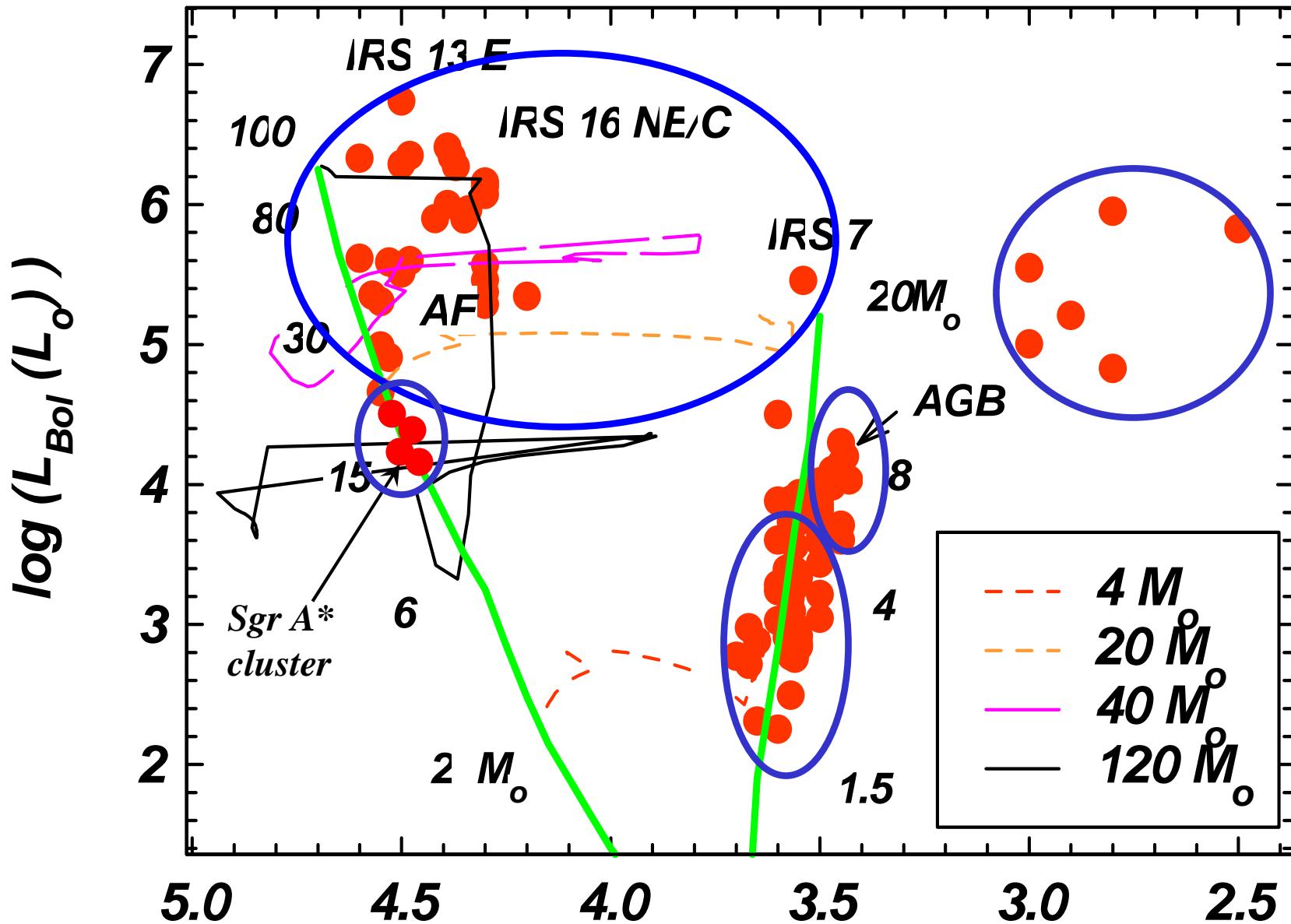
# *'A Paradox of Youth': how did the massive stars get into the cusp?*

- *formation outside and mass-segregation into center: excluded for stars  $> 2 M_{\odot}$*
- *in situ formation in extremely dense gas ( $> 10^9 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ ): fragmentation of self-gravitating accretion disk, following cloud infall and dissipation, + perhaps cloud-cloud collisions*
- *sinking to the center of a young, very massive ( $10^{5..6} M_{\odot}$ ) and compact ( $< 0.2 \text{ pc}$ ) cluster formed at  $R \sim 10 \text{ pc}$*
- *creation of massive stars from collisions and mergers of lower mass stars in the central 0.5" (but not further out)*
- *'shuttling' in of stars by intermediate mass black hole*
- *binary scattering*
- *resonant scattering by stellar black holes near SgrA\**

*Morris 1993, Genzel, Hollenbach & Townes 1994, Lee 1994, Sanders 1998, Gerhard 2001, Portegies Zwart et al. 2002, Levin & Beloborodov 2003, Nayakshin et al. 2003, Gould & Quillen 2003, Genzel et al. 2003, Hansen & Milosavlevic 2003, Kim & Morris 2003, Alexander 2003, Milosavlevic & Loeb 2004*

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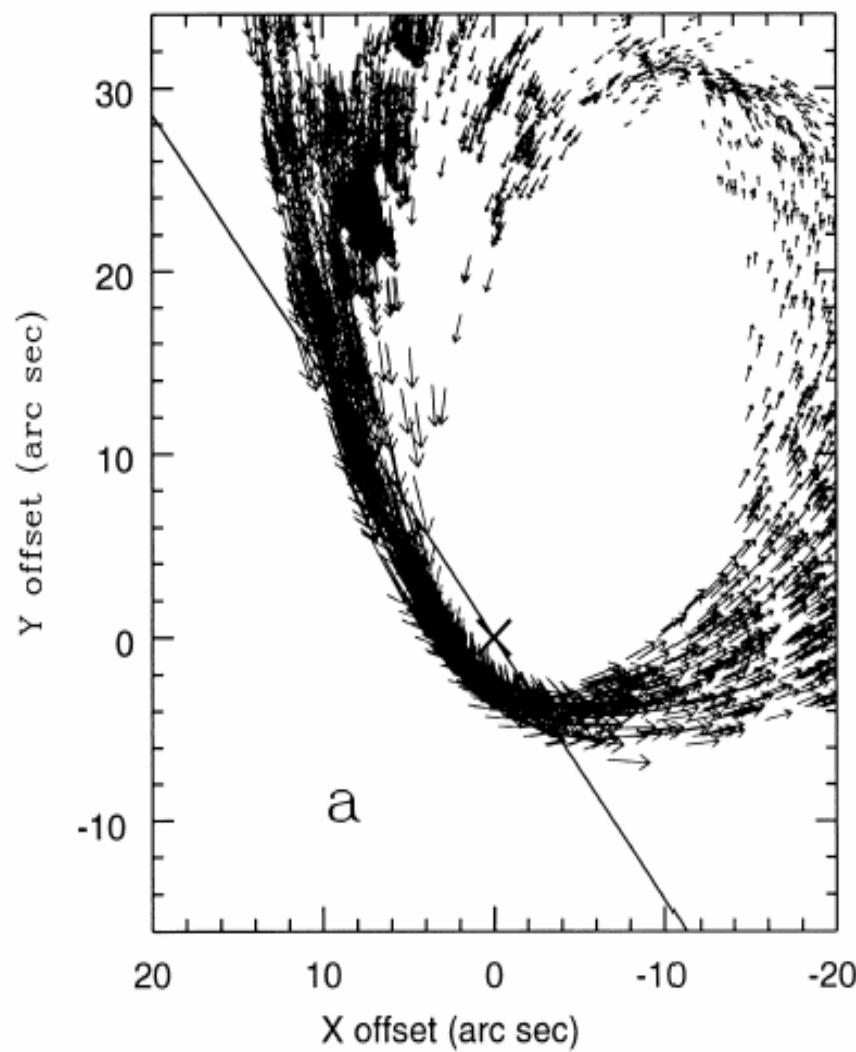
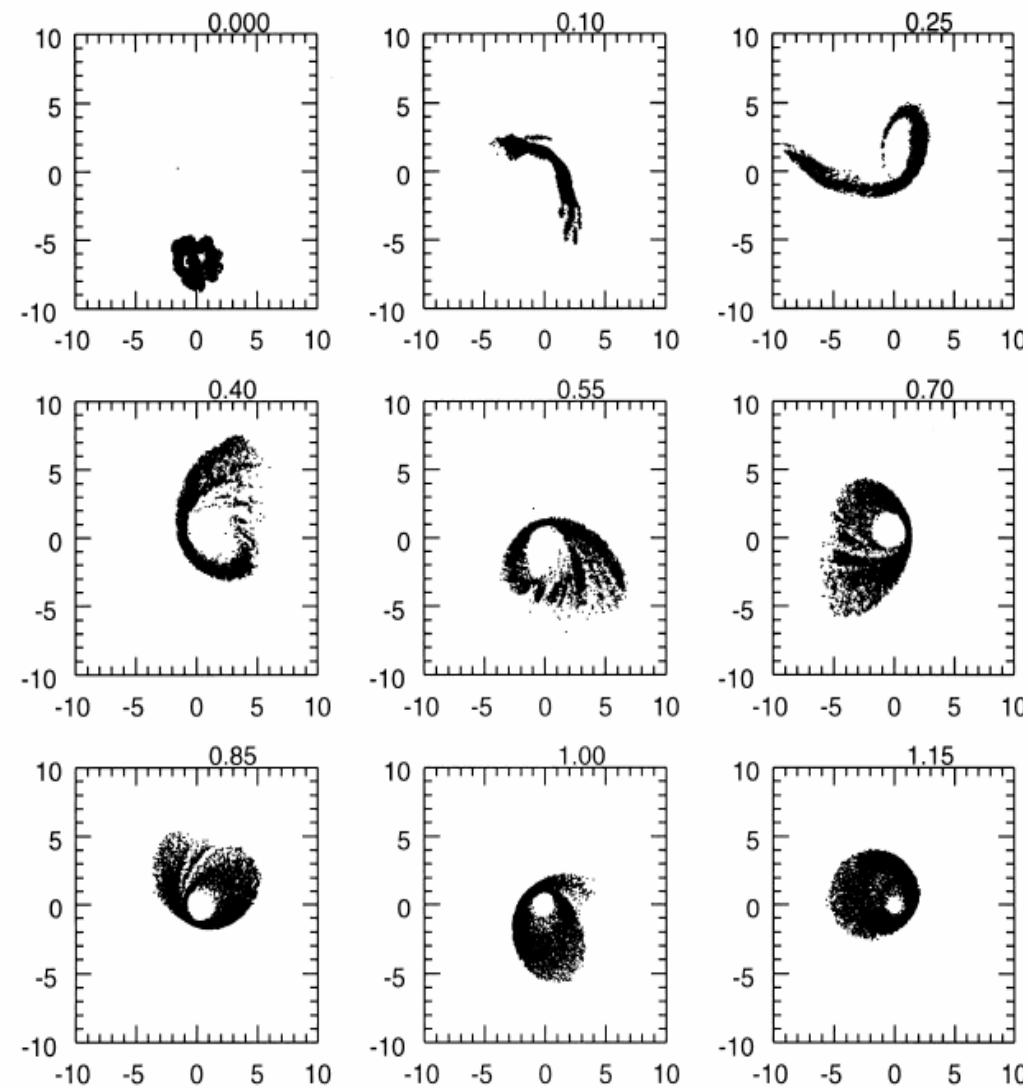


Najarro et al. 1997, Genzel et al.

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et al. 2003, Tanner et al. 2002

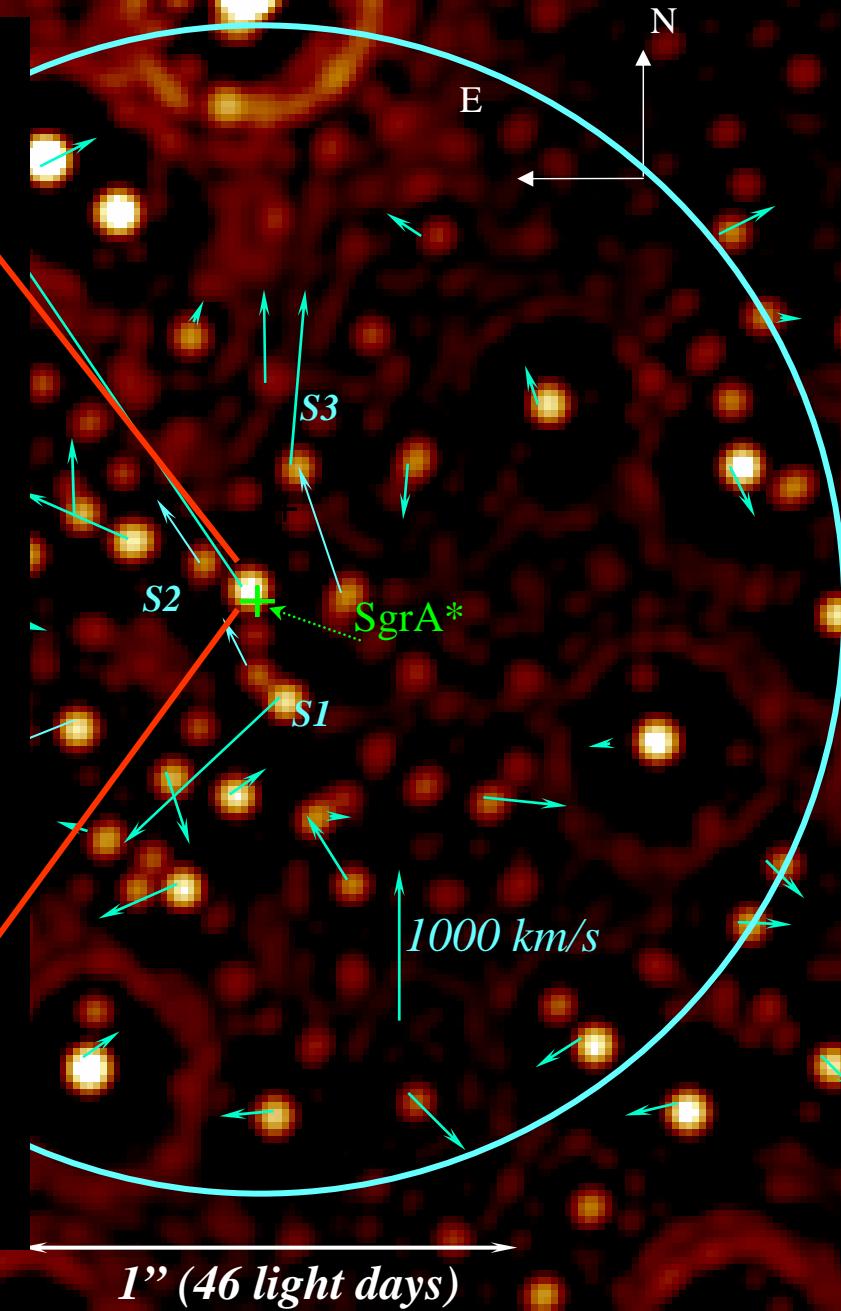
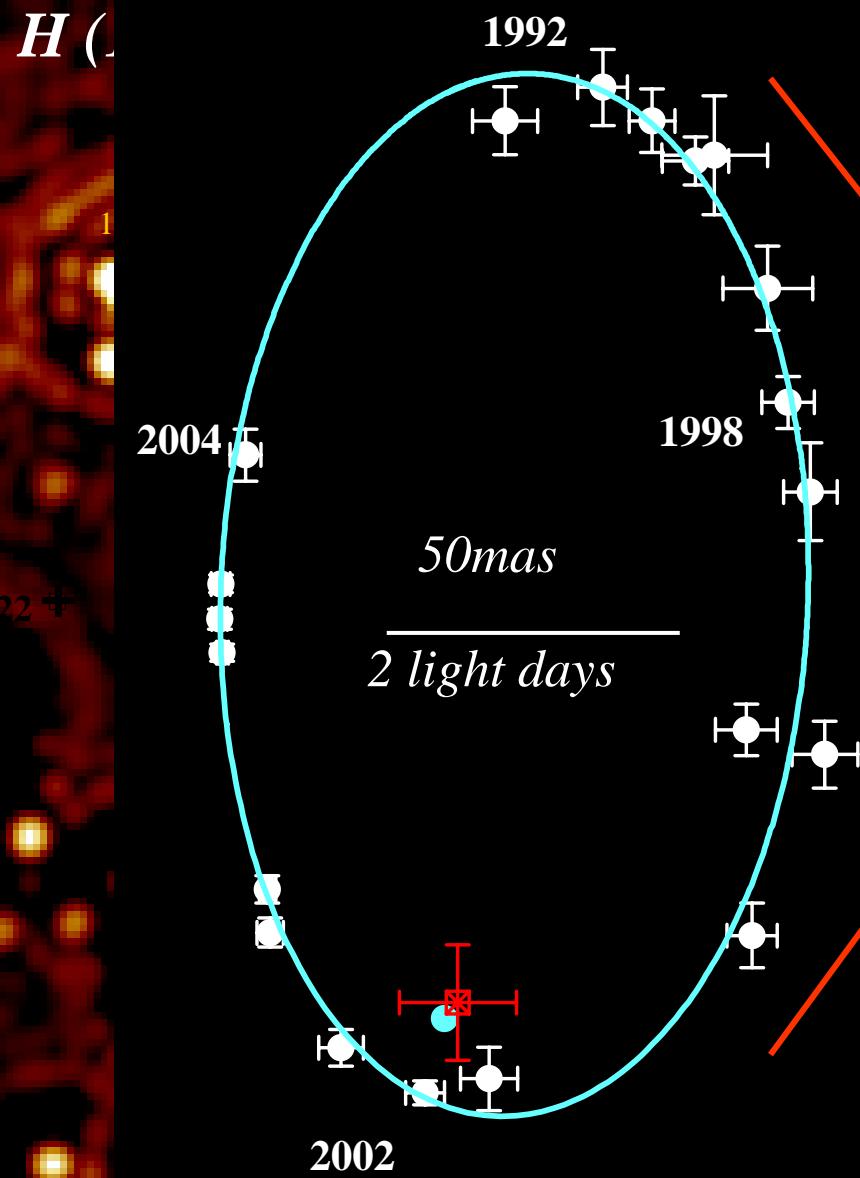
$\log(T_{\text{eff}}/\text{K})$

# *Tidally disrupted ‘dispersion rings’*

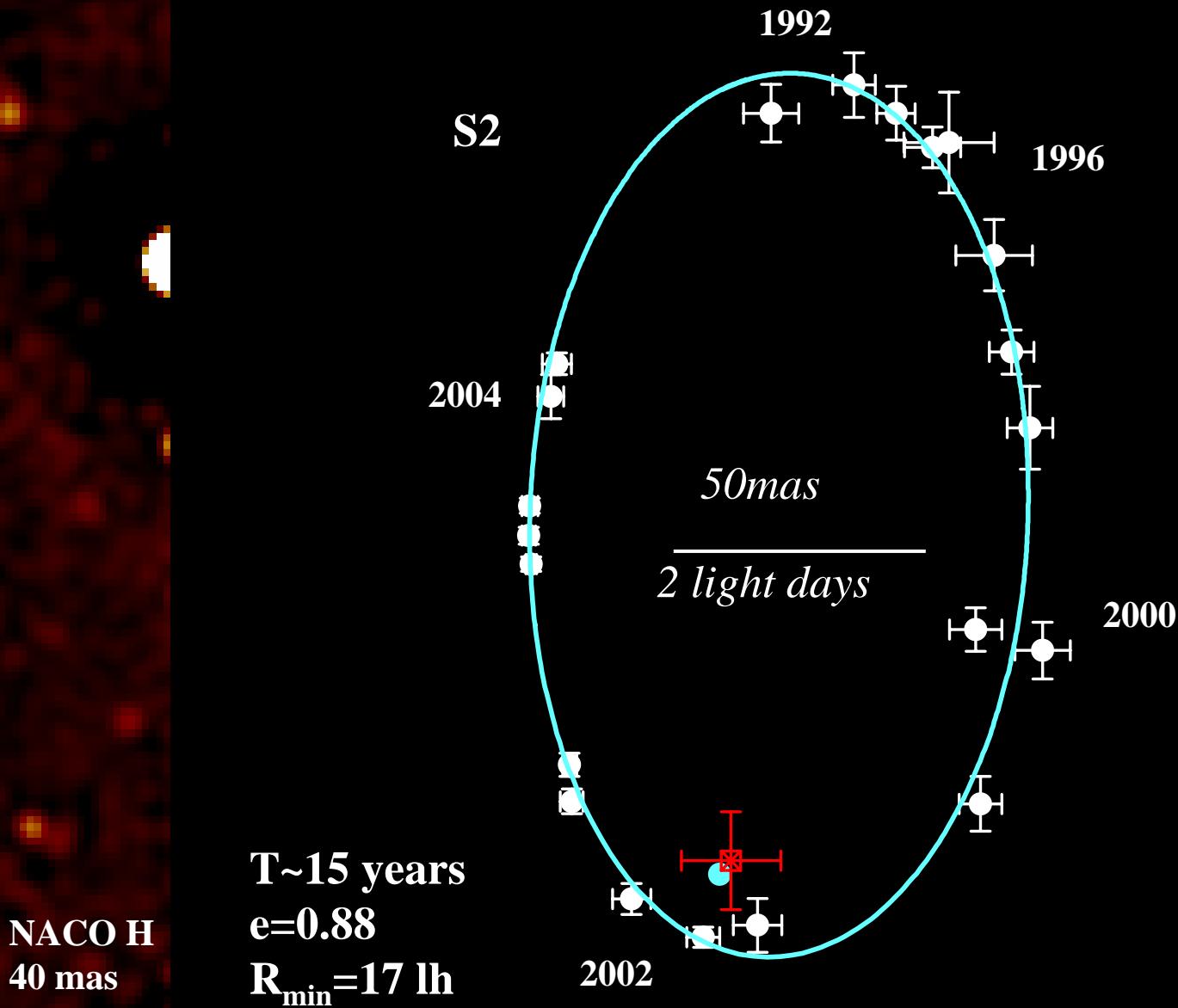


R. Sanders 1998

# *Proper Motions and Orbit of S2*

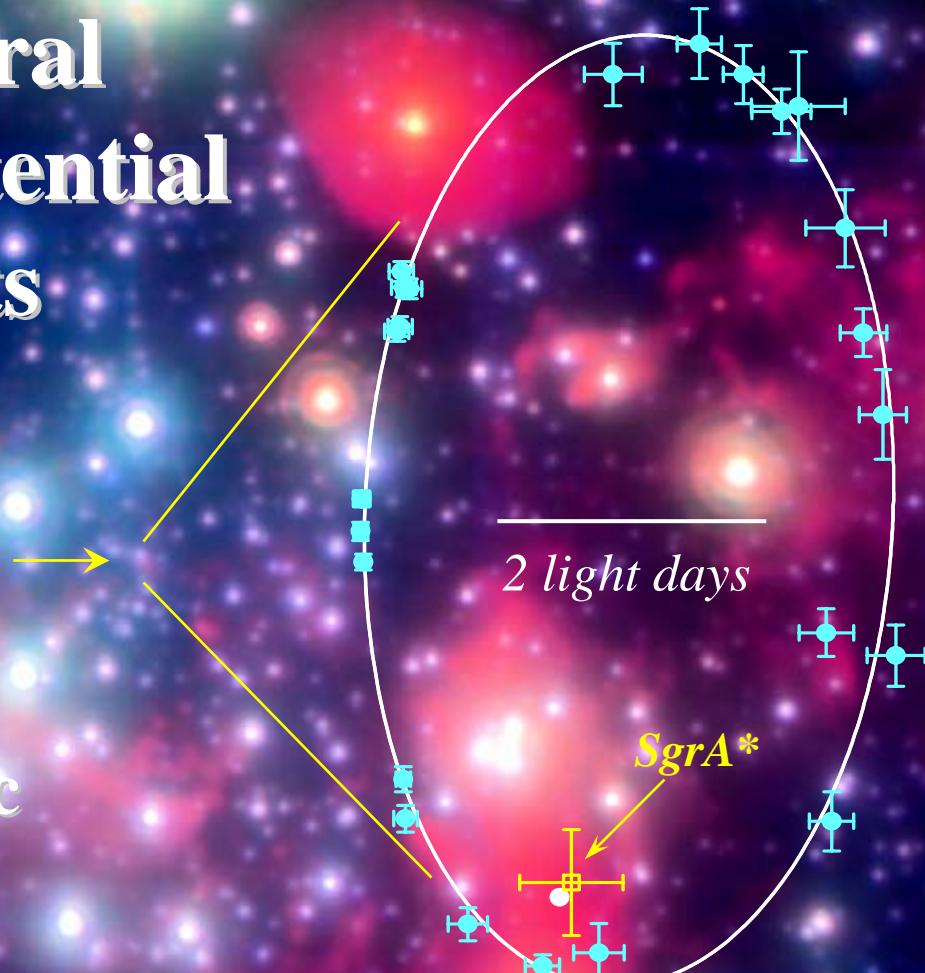


# *stellar proper motions in central 45 light days*



# probing the central gravitational potential with stellar orbits

$$R_0 = 7.9 \pm 0.5 \text{ kpc}$$



6 light months

Schödel et al. 2002, 2003, Ghez et al. 2003, 2004, Eisenhauer et al. 2003, 2005

# *precision determination of S2 orbit*

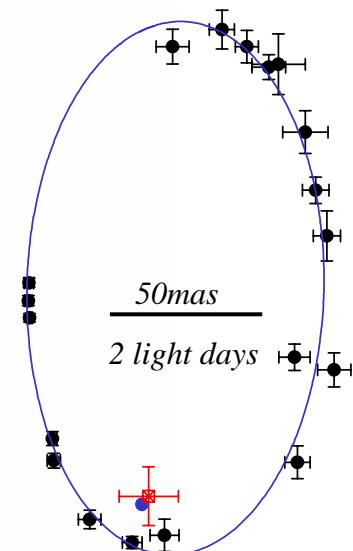
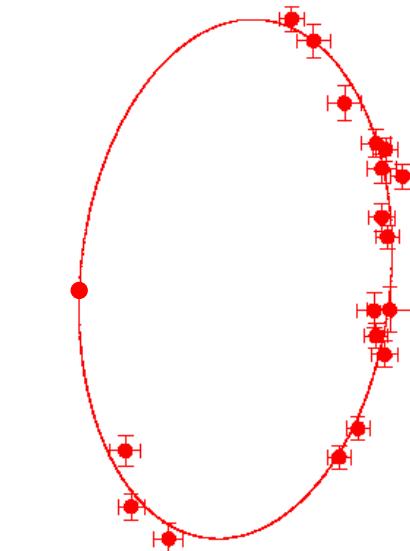
Schödel et al. 2002, NATURE 419, 694

Schödel, et al. 2003, Ap.J. 596, 1015

Eisenhauer et al., 2003, Ap.J.Lett 597, L121, 2005 in prep

Ghez et al. 2003, ApJ 586, L127, + astro-ph 0306130

<i>S2 parameters</i>	Eisenhauer et al. 05	Ghez et al. 03
Offset R.A. (mas)	<b>2.3±1.2</b>	-2.7 ± 1.9
Offset Decl. (mas)	<b>-3.1 ±1.2</b>	-5.4 ± 1.4
Central Mass ( $10^6 M_\odot$ )	<b>3.59±0.29(0.59)</b>	<b>3.99±0.3</b>
Period (yr)	<b>15.56 ±0.35</b>	<b>15.02±0.7</b>
Pericenter Passage (yr)	<b>2002.33±0.016</b>	<b>2002.33±0.013</b>
Eccentricity	<b>0.881 ±0.007</b>	<b>0.876±0.006</b>
Angle of line of nodes (deg)	<b>45.0 ±1.6</b>	<b>45.4±1.7</b>
Inclination (deg)	<b>-48.1 ±2.3</b>	<b>-46.4±1.7</b>
Angle of node to pericenter	<b>245.4 ±1.7</b>	<b>247.1±2.3</b>
Semi-major axis (mpc)	<b>4.63 ±0.10</b>	<b>4.63±0.17</b>
Separation of pericenter (mpc)	<b>0.551 ±0.010</b>	<b>0.573±0.025</b>
<b>R<sub>o</sub> (kpc)</b>	<b>7.94±0.42</b>	

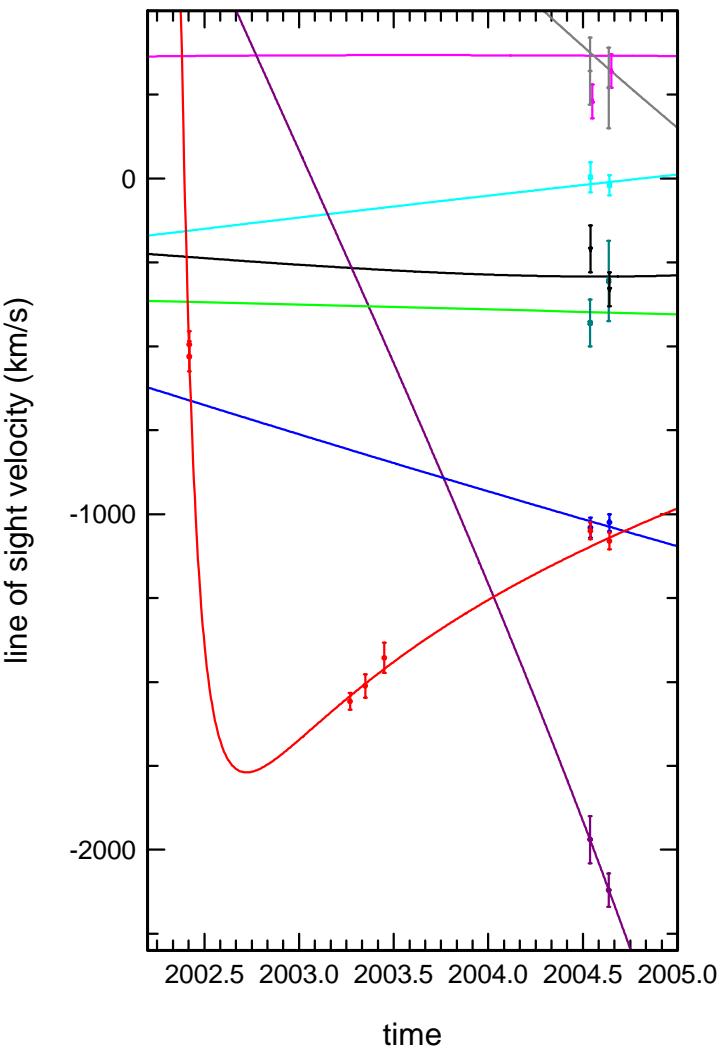
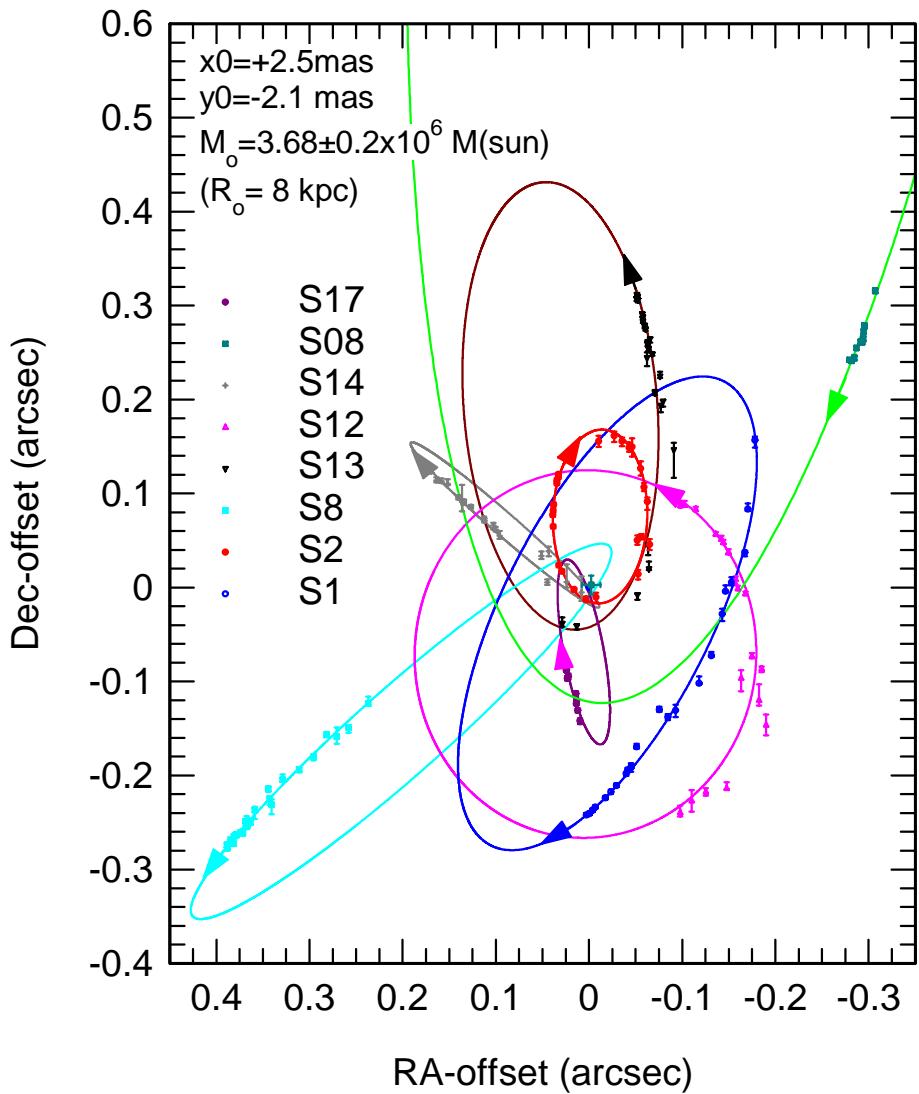


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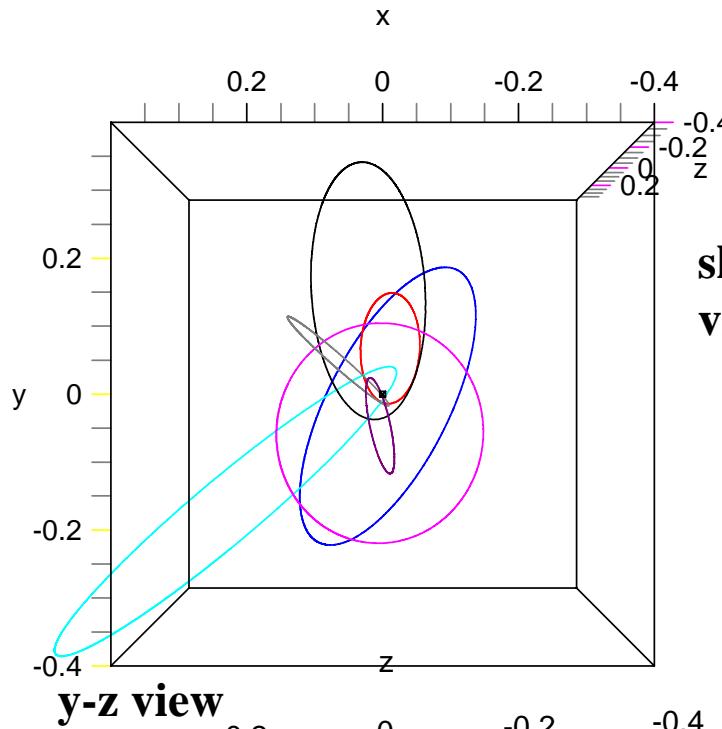
10 light days



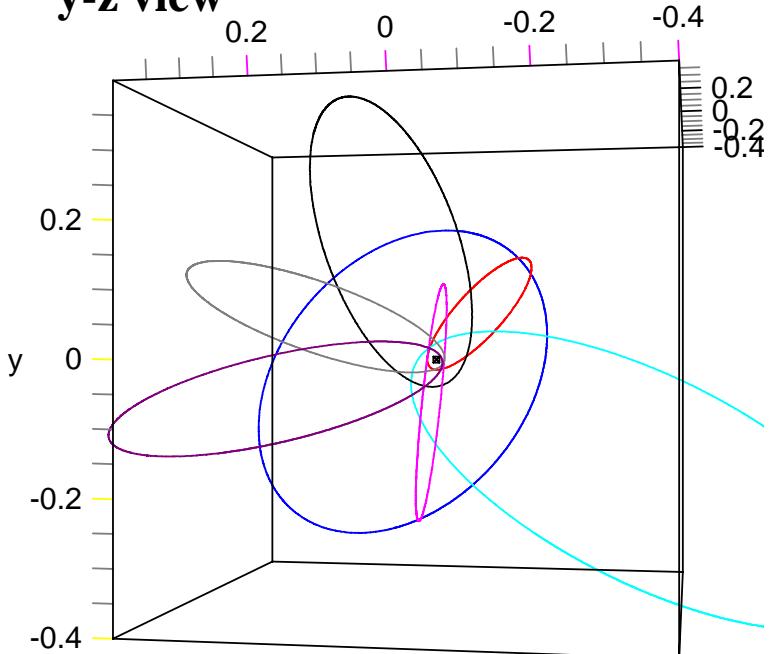
# 3D structure of orbits



Schödel et al. 2003, Ghez et al. 2003, Eisenhauer et al. 2005



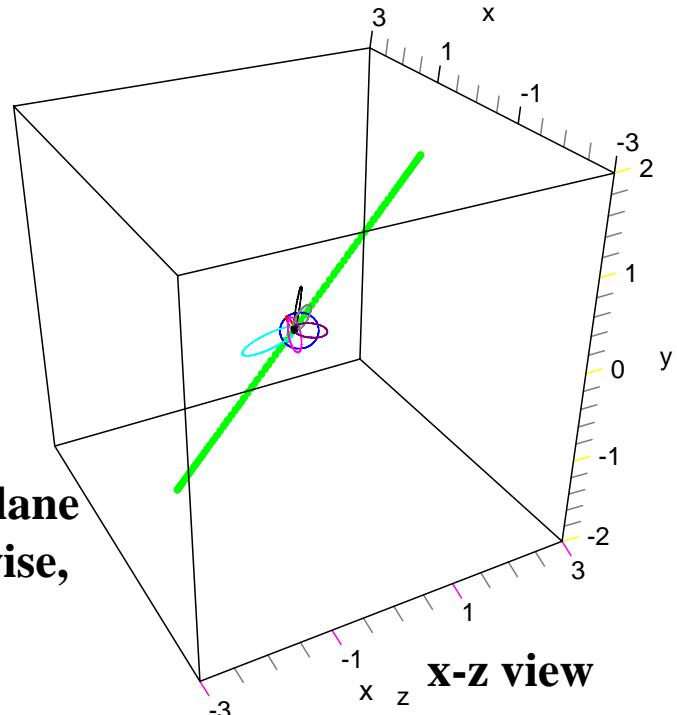
**sky plane  
view (x-y)**



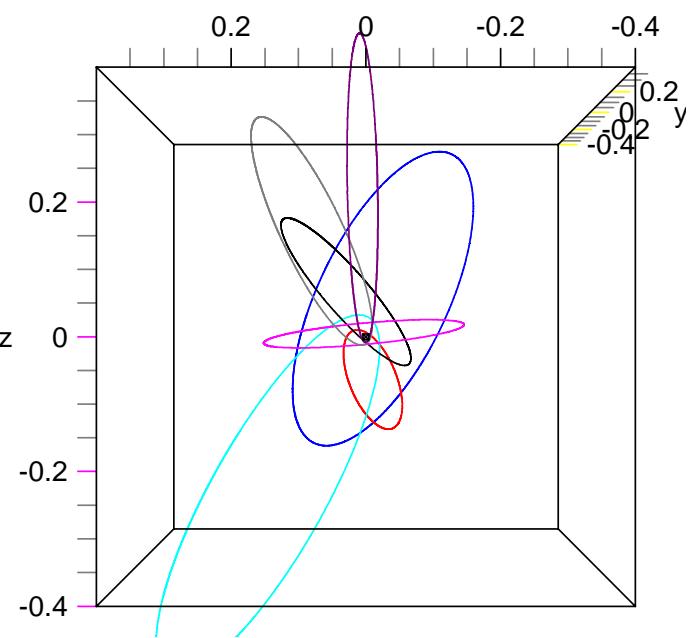
**y-z view**

- S1
- S2
- S8
- S12
- S13
- S14
- S17

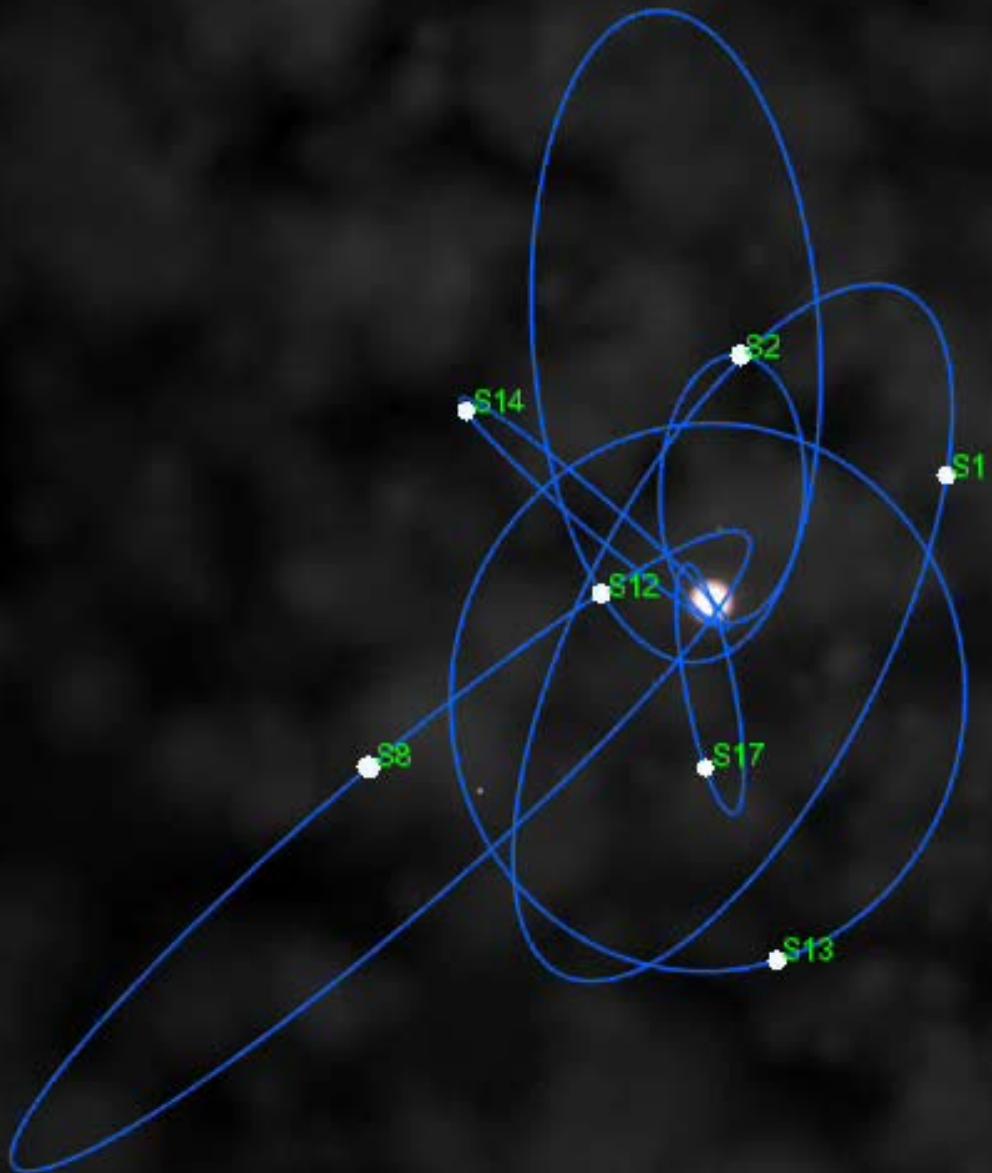
**view in the plane  
of the clockwise,  
outer star  
ring/disk**



**x-z view**



1993 09 09 13:58:59 UTC  
45000000× faster

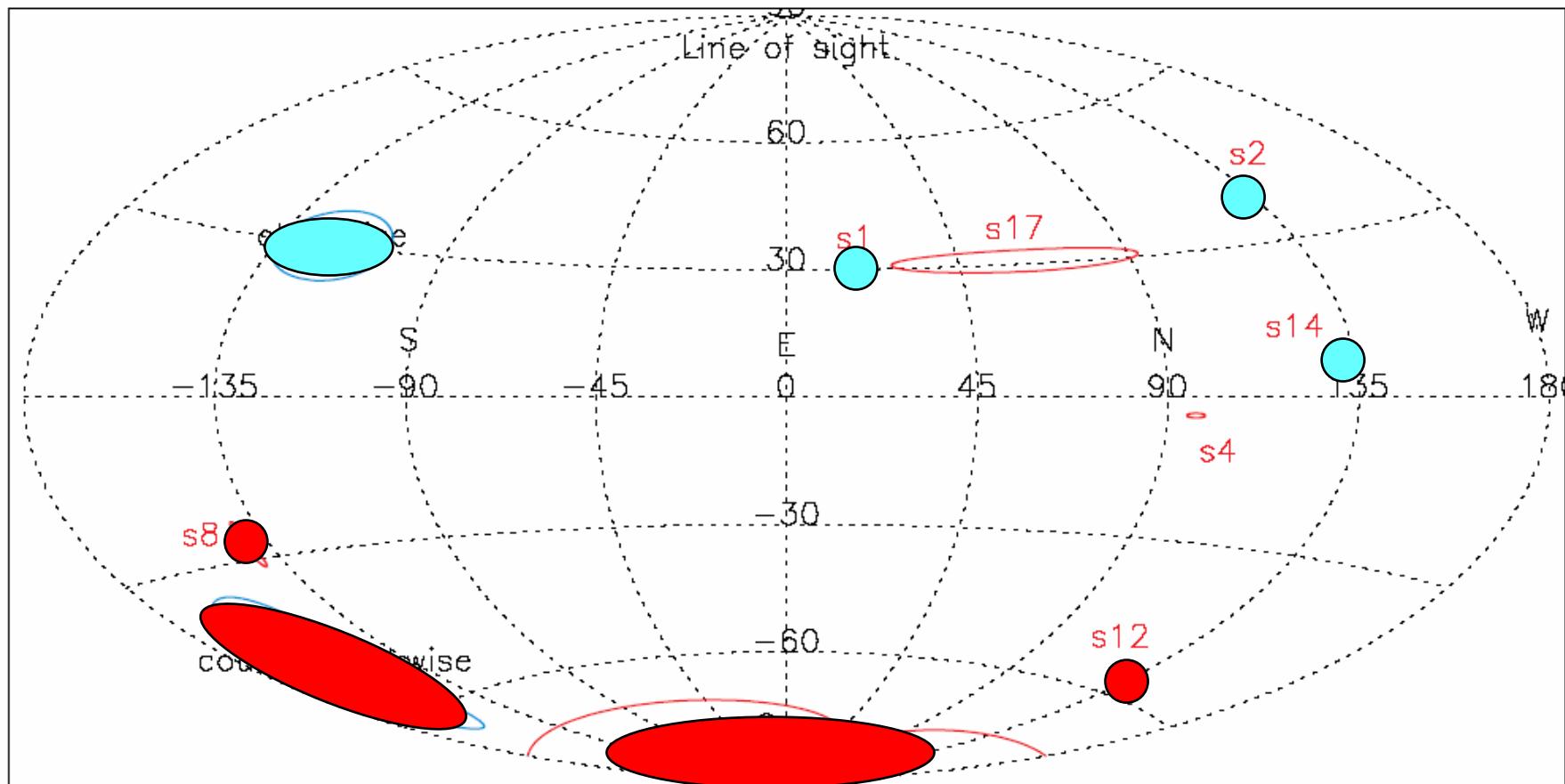


**|-10 light days-|**

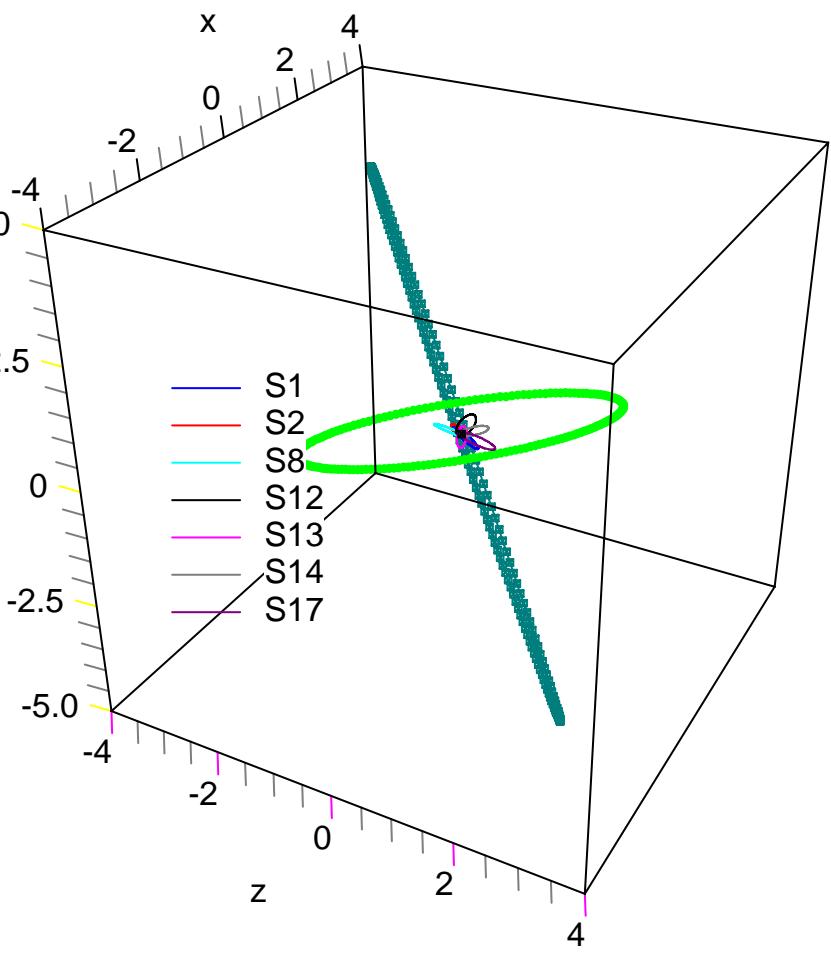
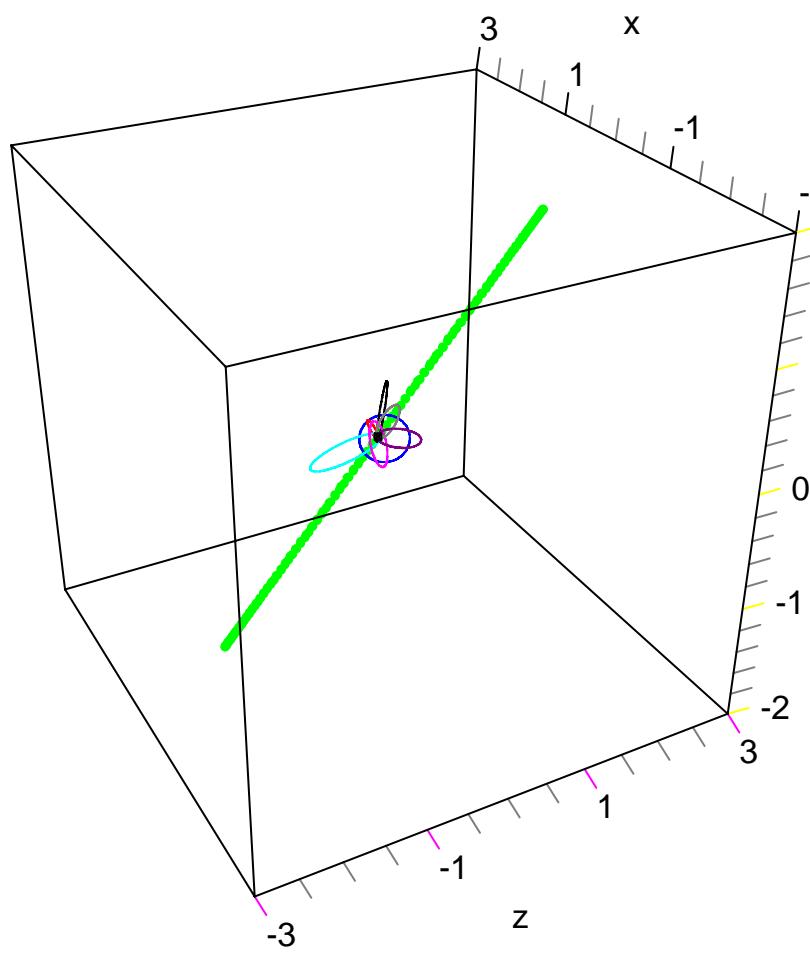
Speed: 0.000 m/s

Follow GC  
FOV: 13° 59' 60.0" (1.00x)

# *orientation of orbital spin directions*

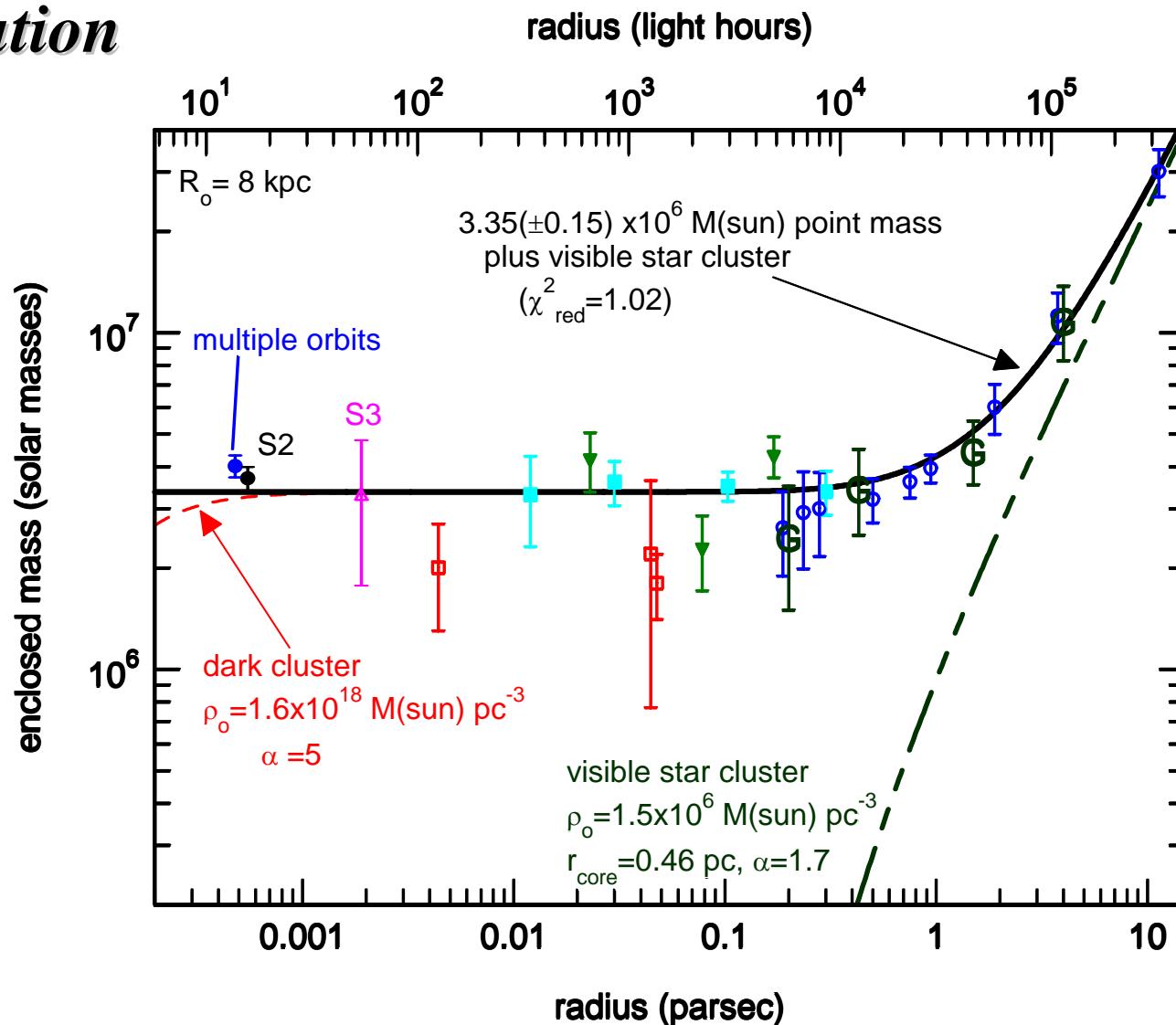


Eisenhauer et al. 2005



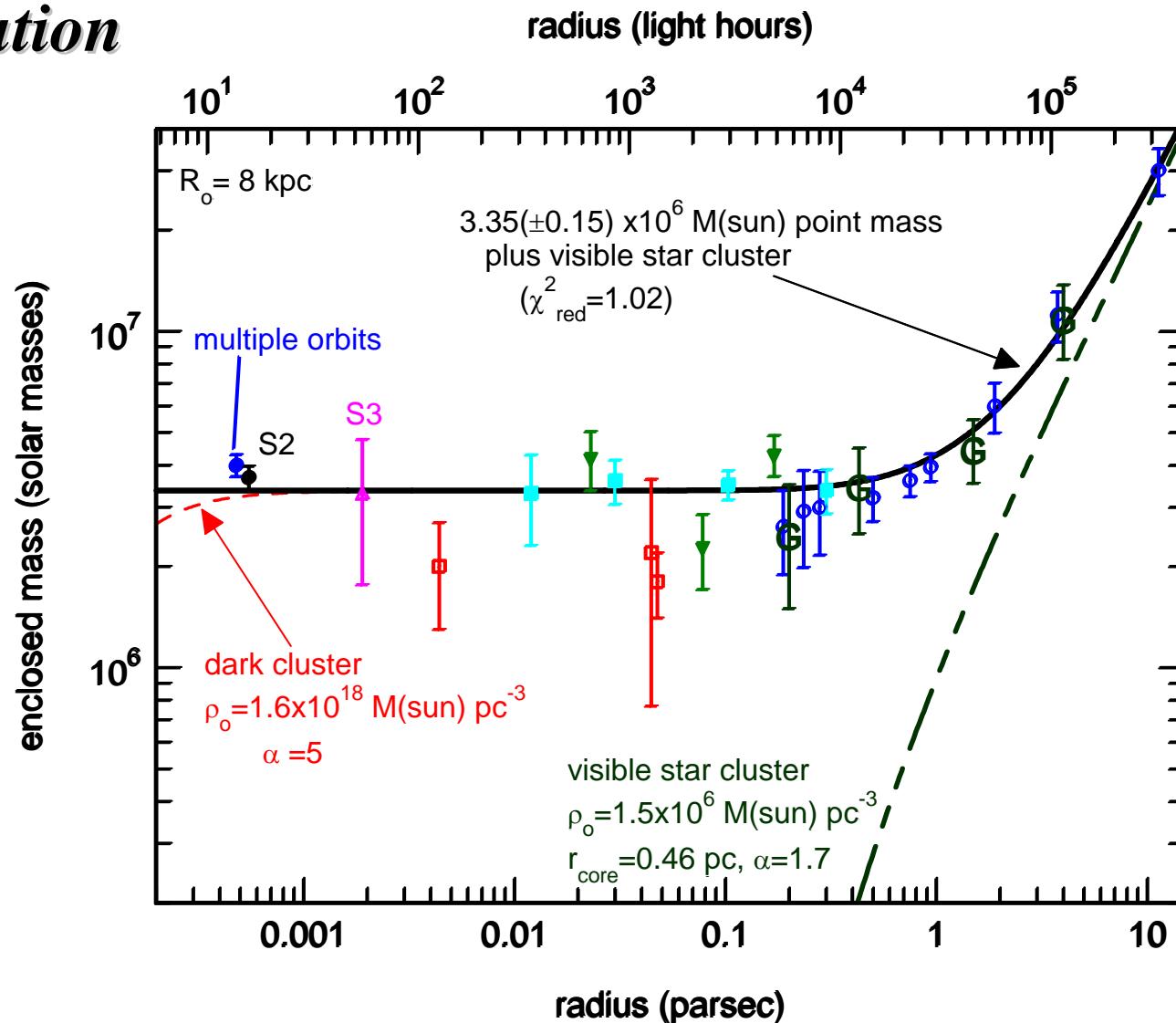
Orientation of S-orbits relative to outer star disks

*mass  
distribution*

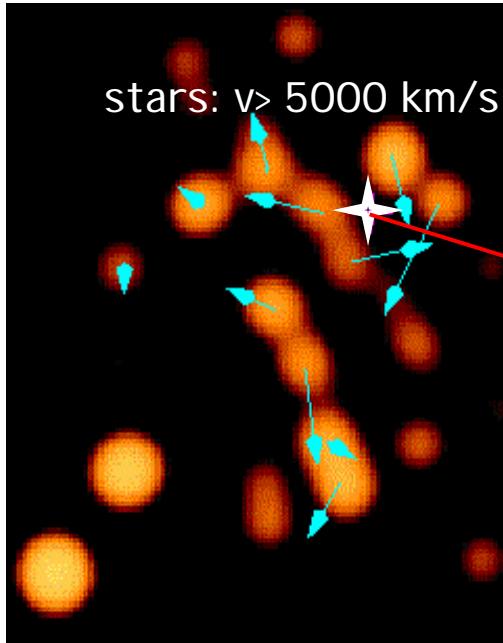


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*mass  
distribution*



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*SgrA \* does not move*

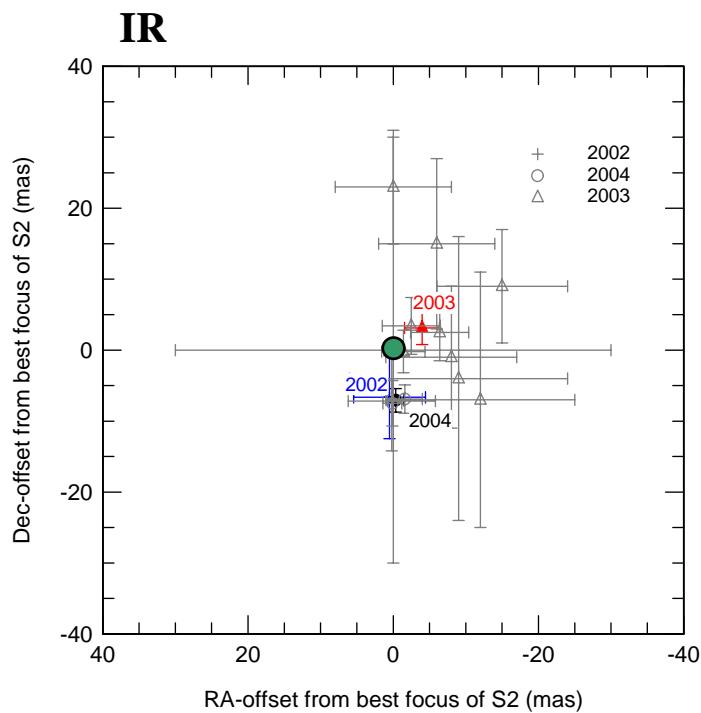
VLBI:  
 $v(SgrA^*) < 10$  (2) km/s  
diameter radio source  $< 20 R_s$   
(Backer, Reid et al. 1999, 2004)

$$M_{SgrA^*} > 10^5 M_\odot$$

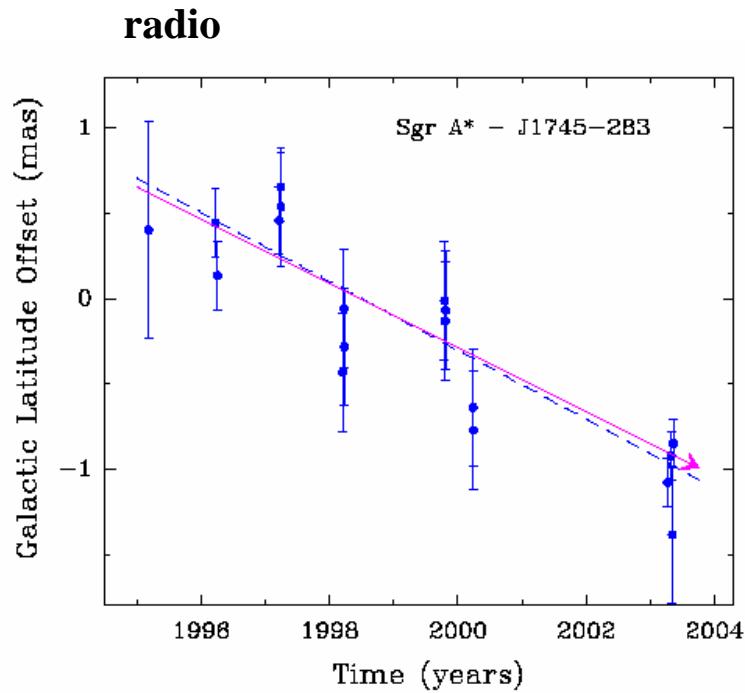
$$\rho_{SgrA^*} > 10^{20.5} M_\odot pc^{-3} = 10^{-1.7} g cm^{-3}$$

Reid et al. 1999, 2004, Chatterjee et al. 2002, Dorband et al. 2003

# *limits to the proper motion of SgrA\**

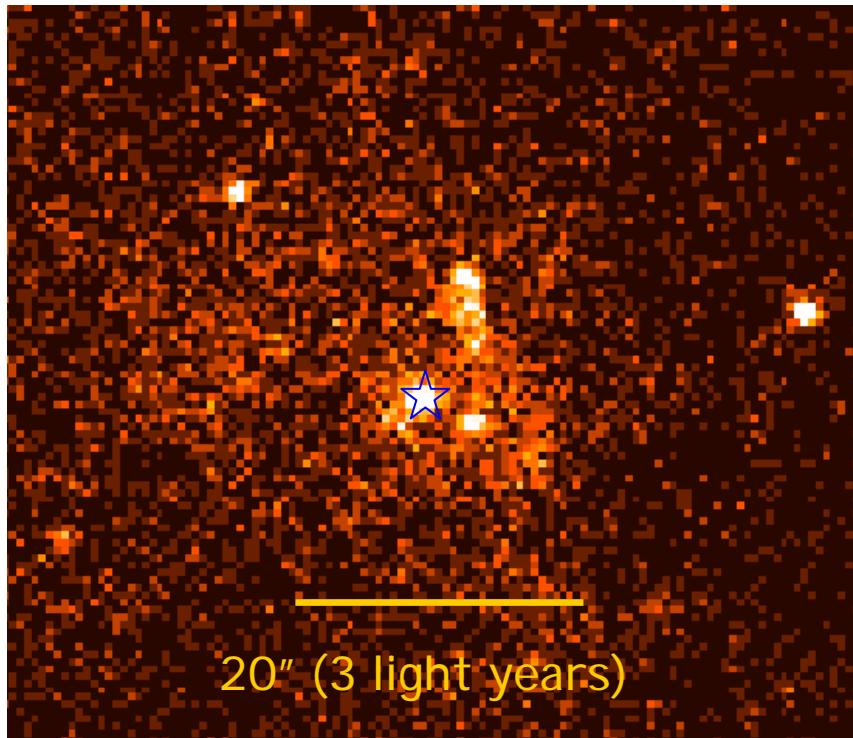


$$v_{\text{IR}} \leq 100 \text{ km/s}$$



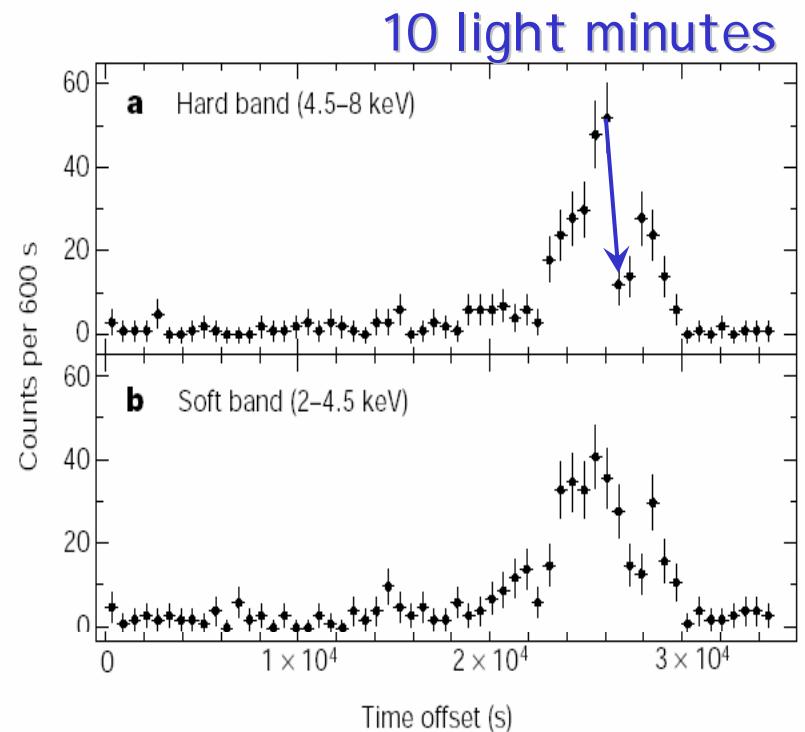
$v_{\text{rad}} < 20$  (2) km/s  
proper motion of  
SgrA\*

# *X-ray flares*



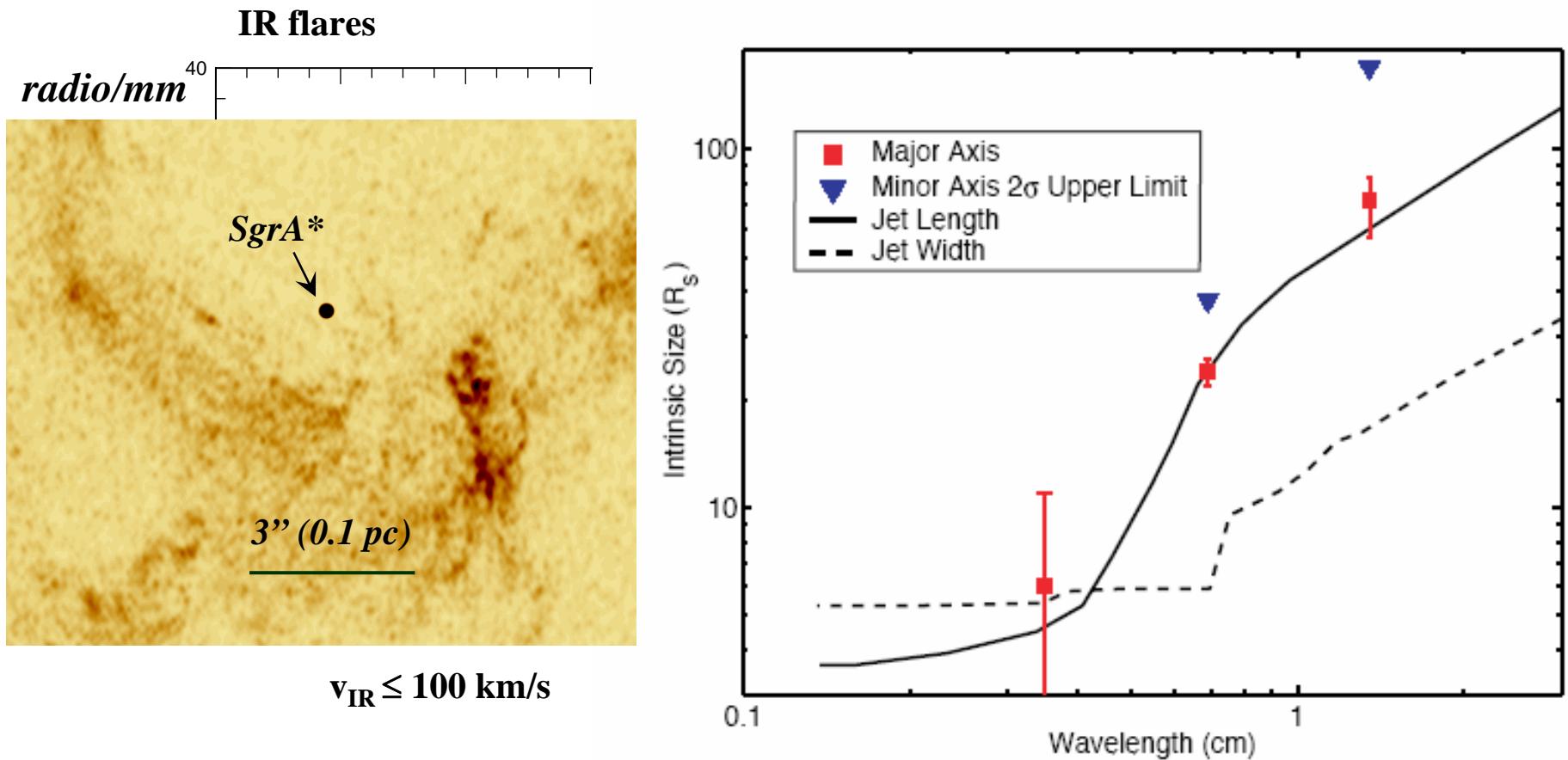
*Chandra*

May 2002 campaign: ~0.5 flares/day



Baganoff et al. 2000, 2001, 2003

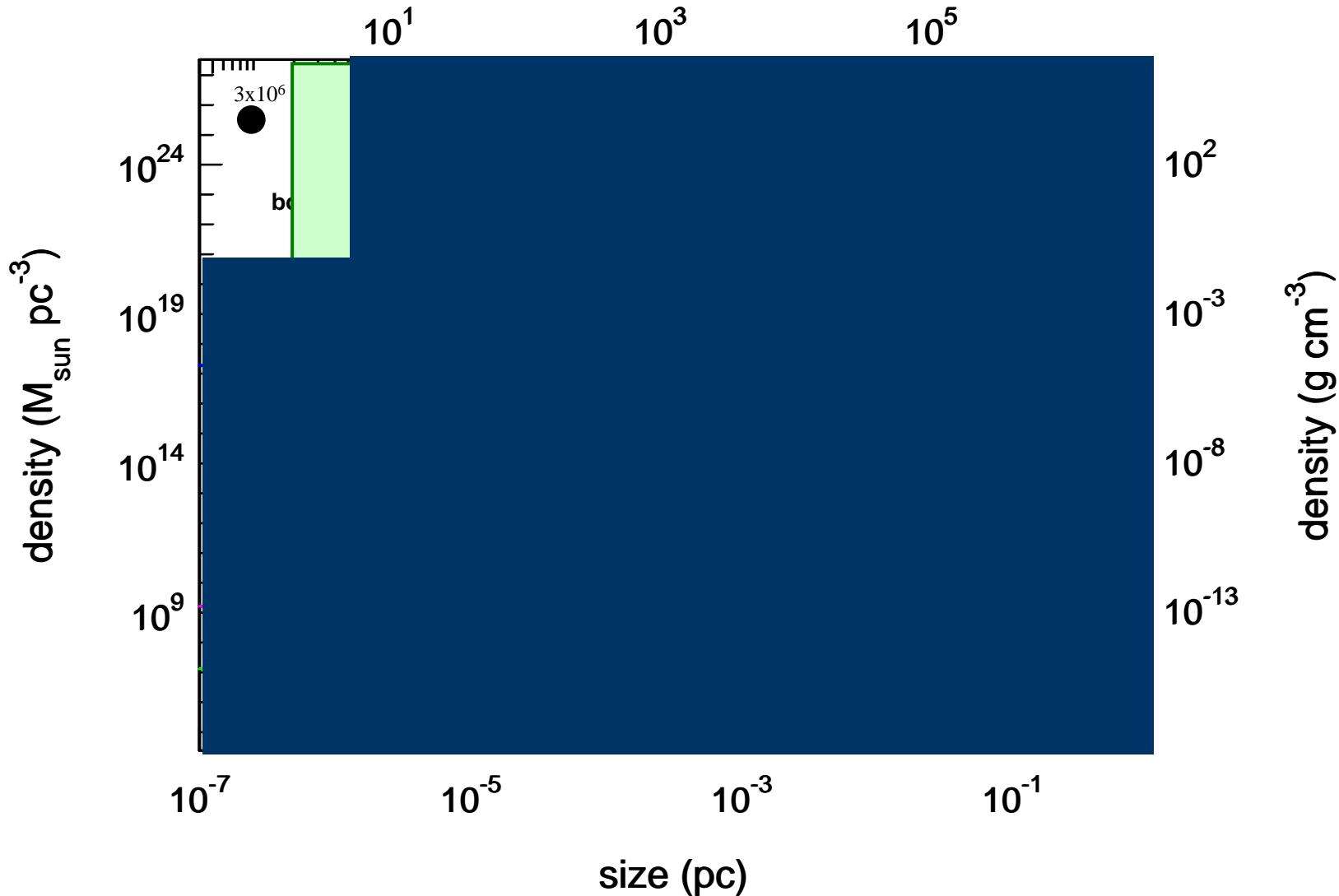
# *properties of SgrA\**



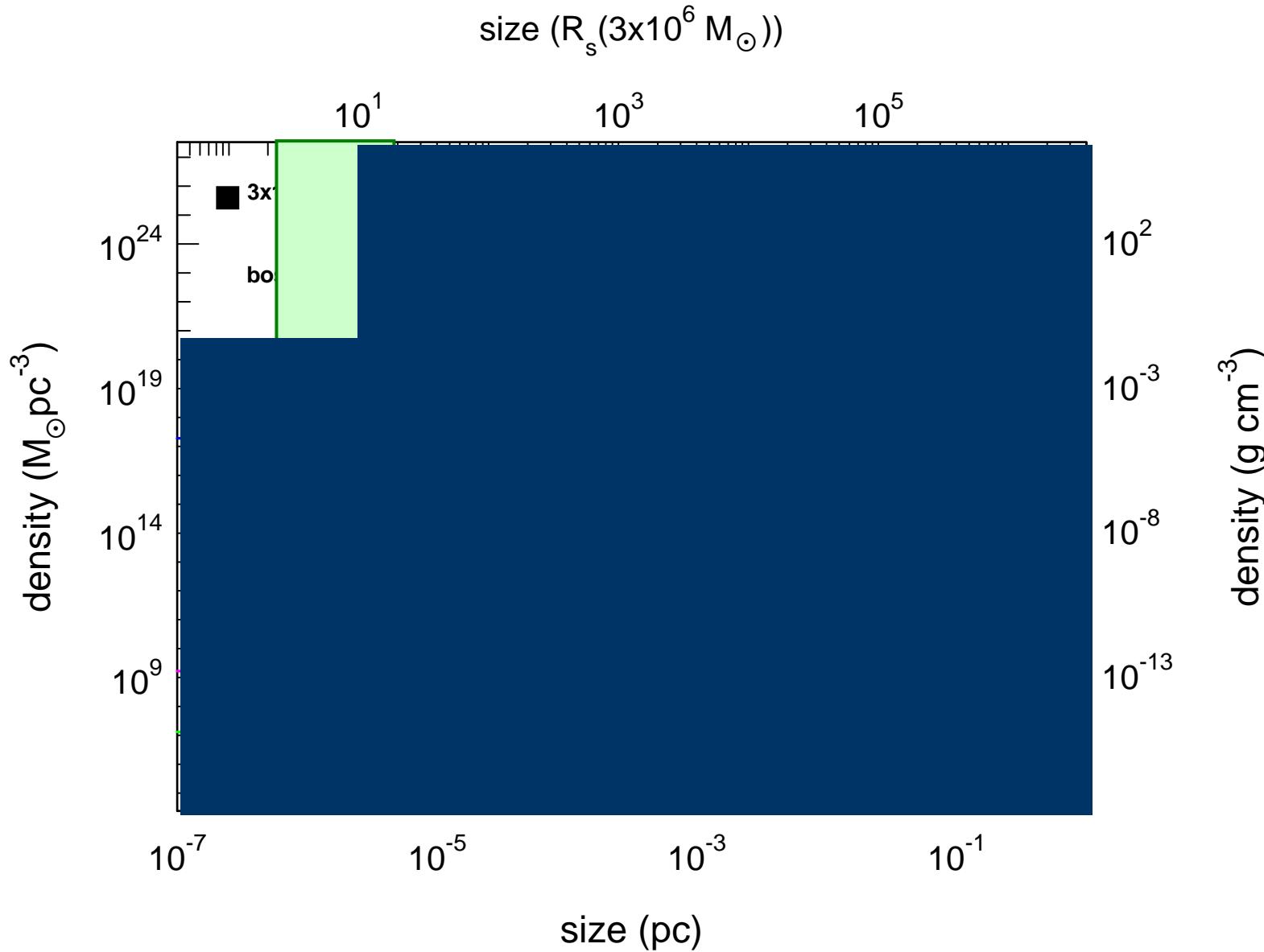
Lo et al. 1998, Zhao et al. 2002, Doeleman et al. 2002, Backer & Sramek 1999, Reid et al. 1999, Genzel et al. 2003, Ghez et al. 2004, Reid et al. 2004, Bower et al. 2004

# *Black hole or not black hole?*

size ( $R_s$  (  $3 \times 10^6 M_\odot$  ))

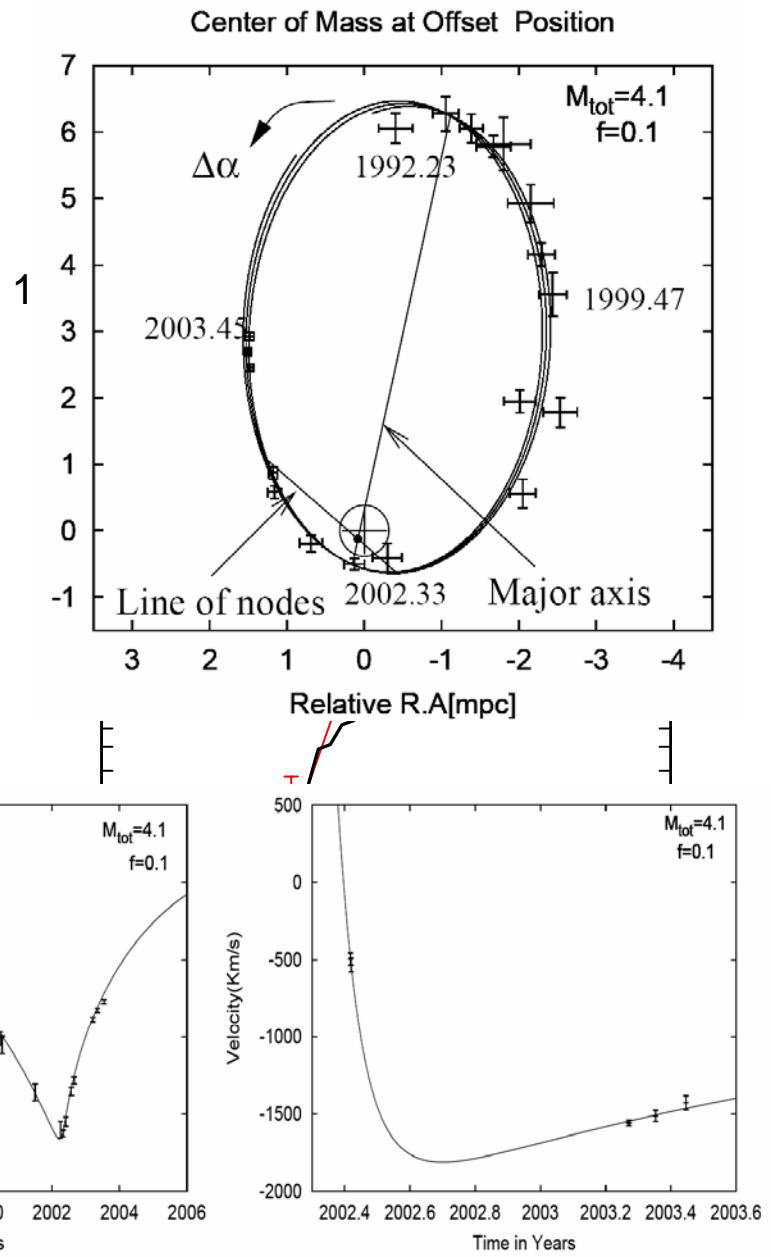
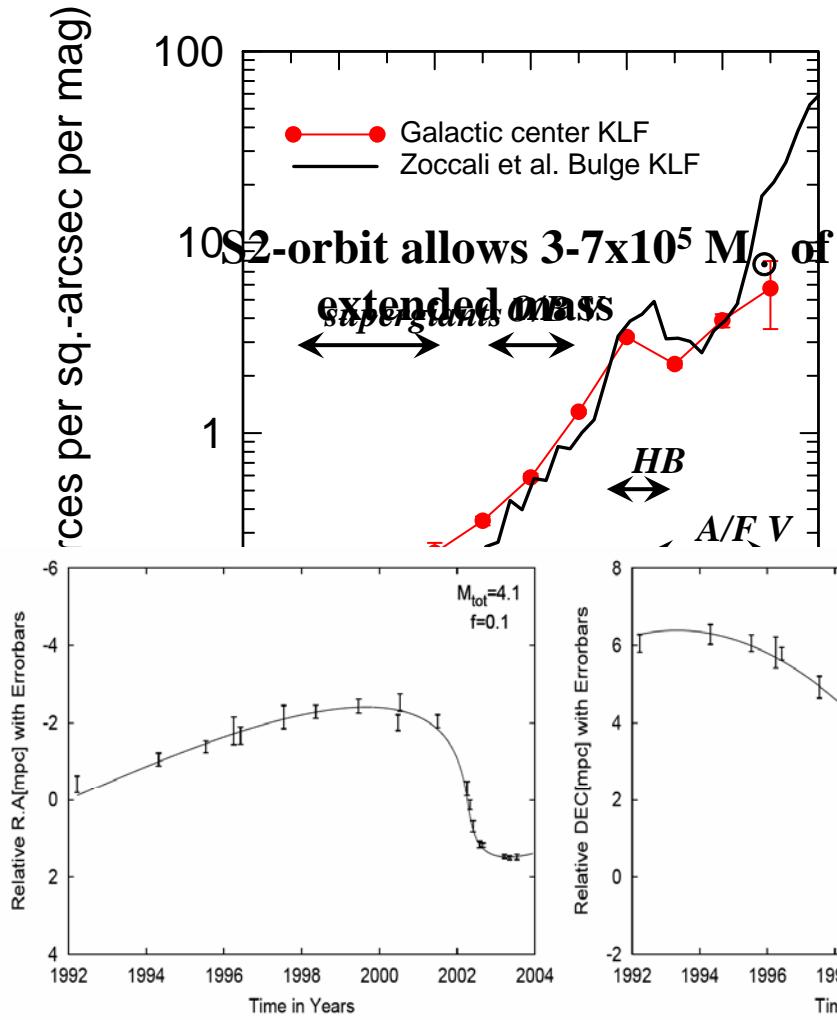


# black hole or no black hole?

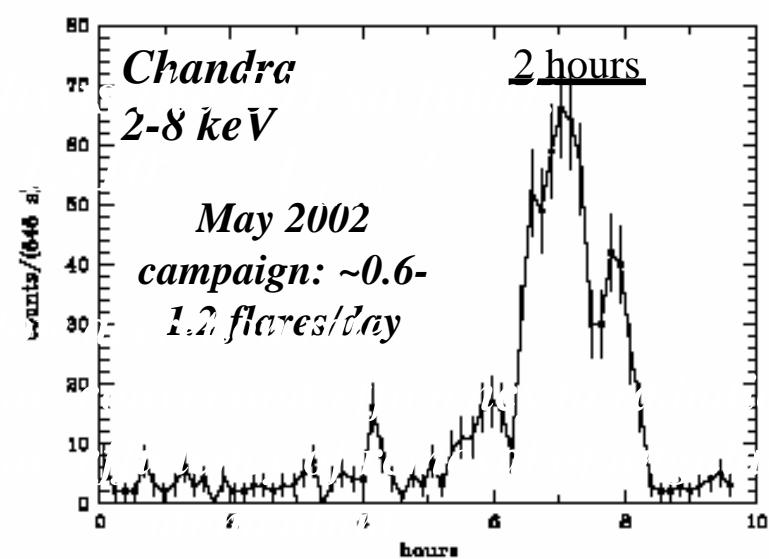
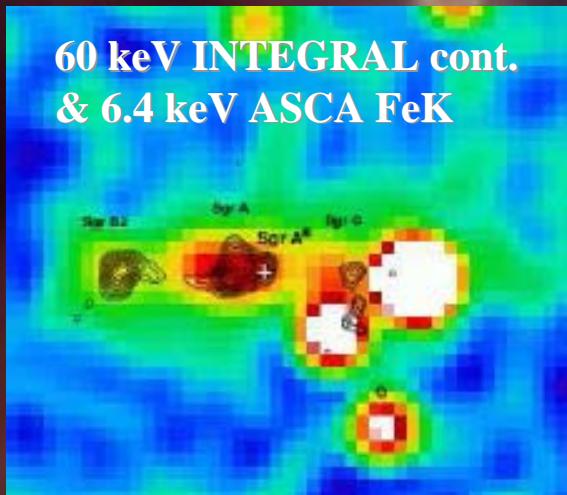


Schödel et al. 2002, 2003, Ghez et al. 2004, Reid et al. 2004

# Constraints on cusp properties & mass



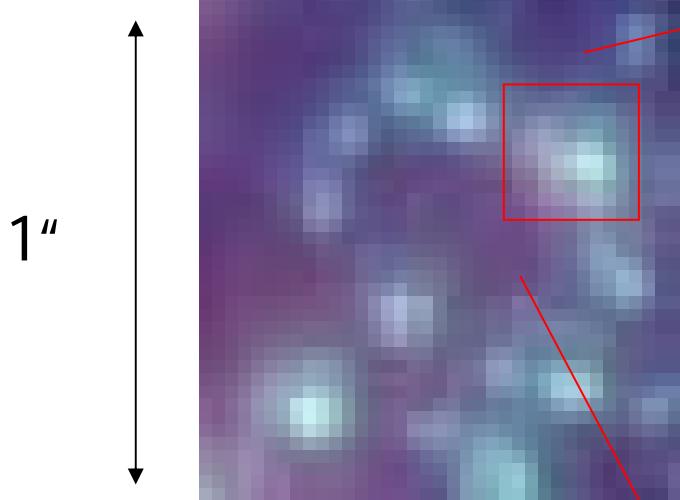
# *X- and $\gamma$ -rays from SgrA\**



Baganoff et al. 01, 04, Munoz et al. 04, Mayer-Hasselwander et al. 99,  
Porquet et al. 2003, Goldwurm et al. 1998, 2003, Sunyaev et al. 1993,  
Koyama et al. 1996, Revnivtsev et al. 2004

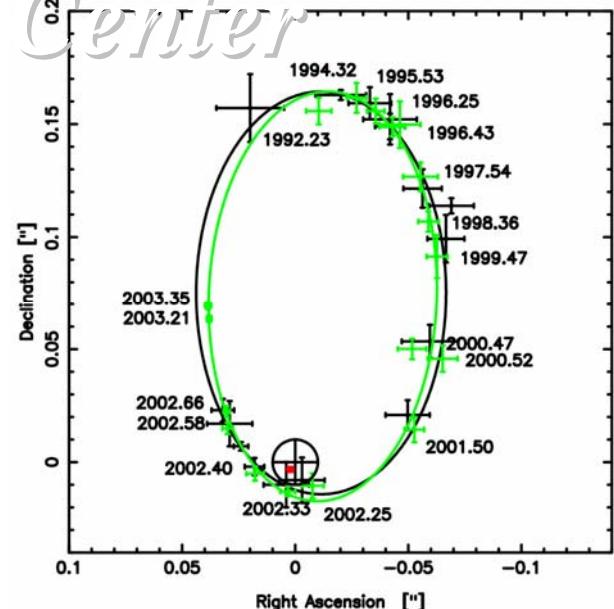


# *Distance to Galactic Center*

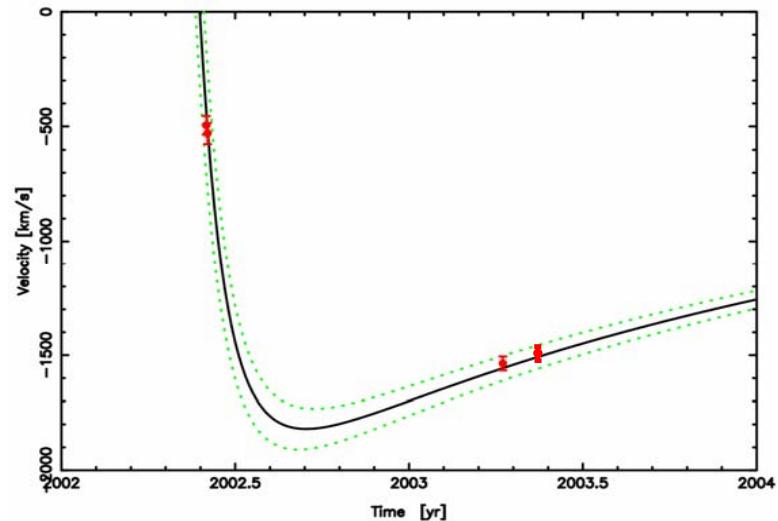


NACO

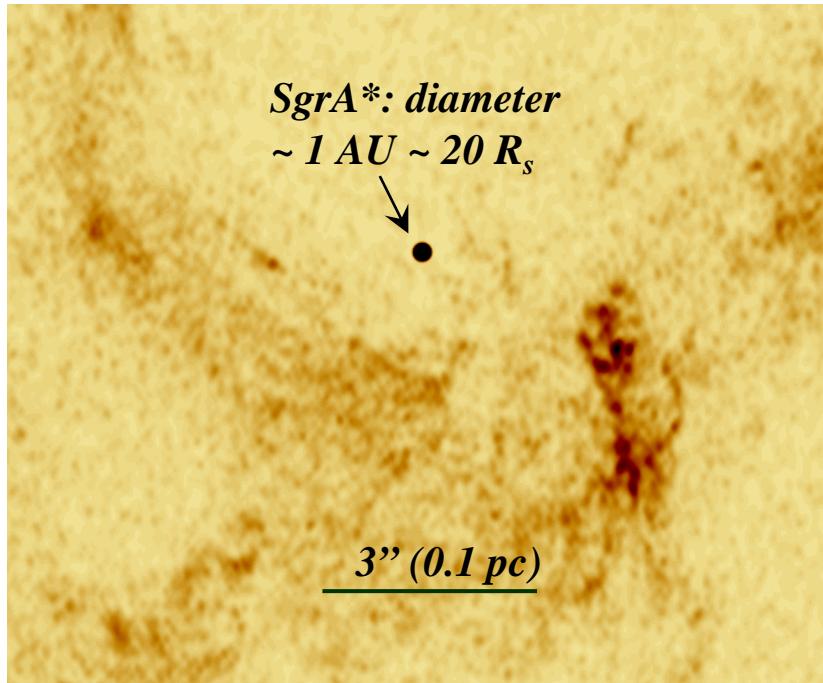
SPIFFI



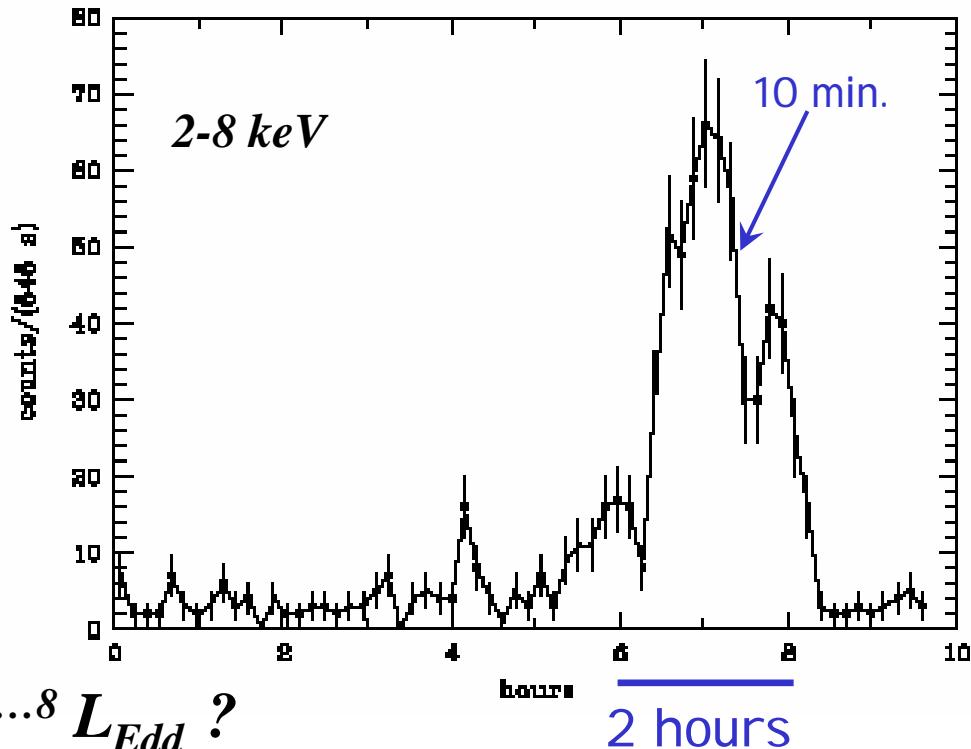
Distance Galactic Center:  $7.94 \pm 0.42$  kpc  
Rotation velocity of sun:  $220.7 \pm 12.7$  km/s



radio/mm



# accretion onto the black hole



why is the BH so faint:  $L \sim 10^{-6...8} L_{Edd}$  ?

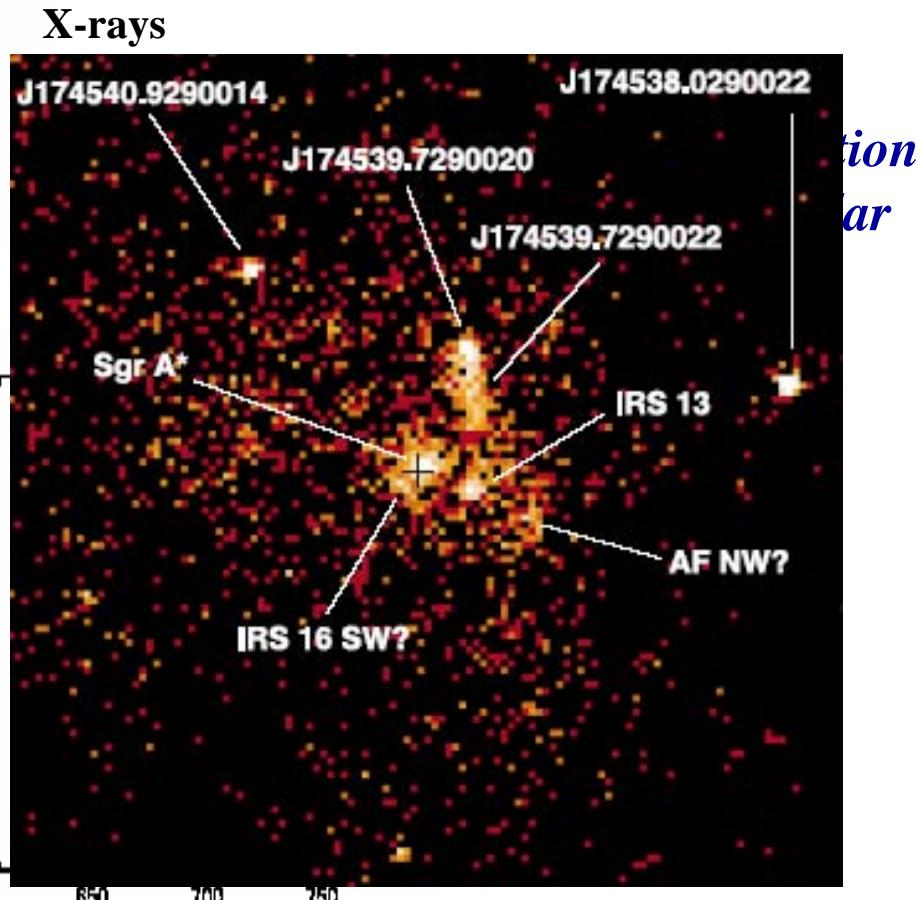
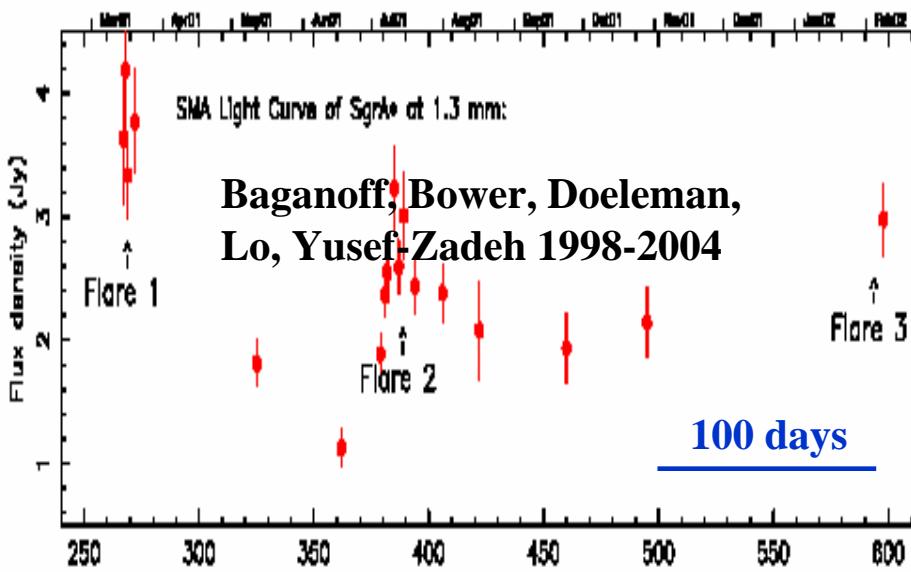
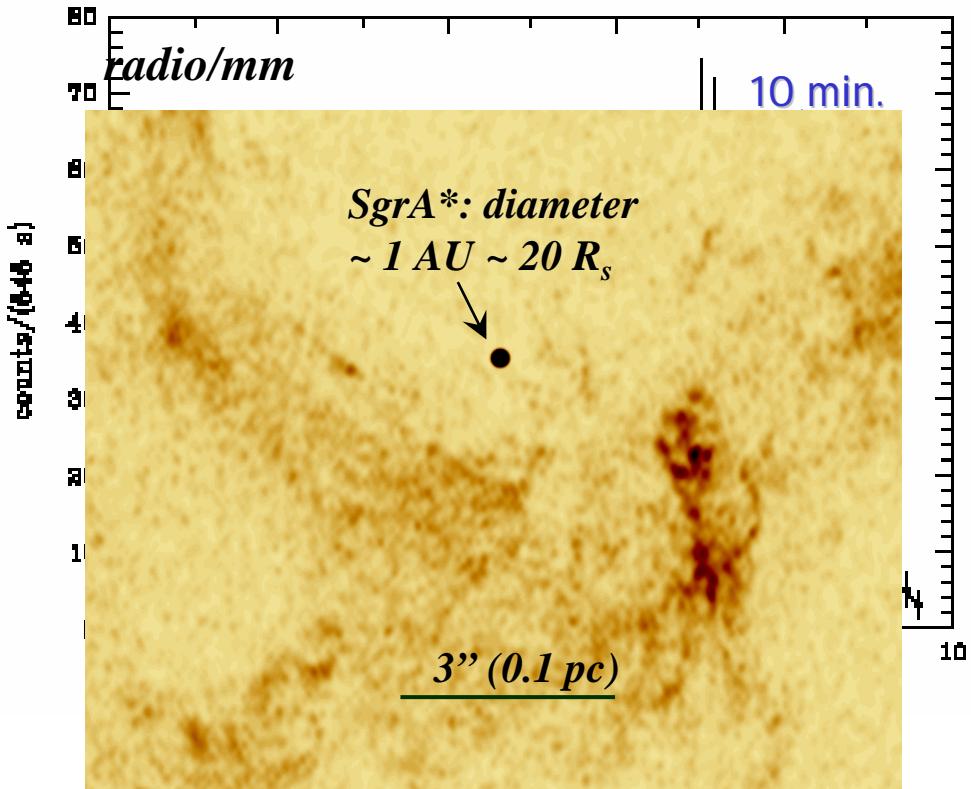
- low accretion rate
- low conversion efficiency to radiation
- low efficiency of removal of angular momentum

May 2002 campaign: ~0.6-1.2 flares/day

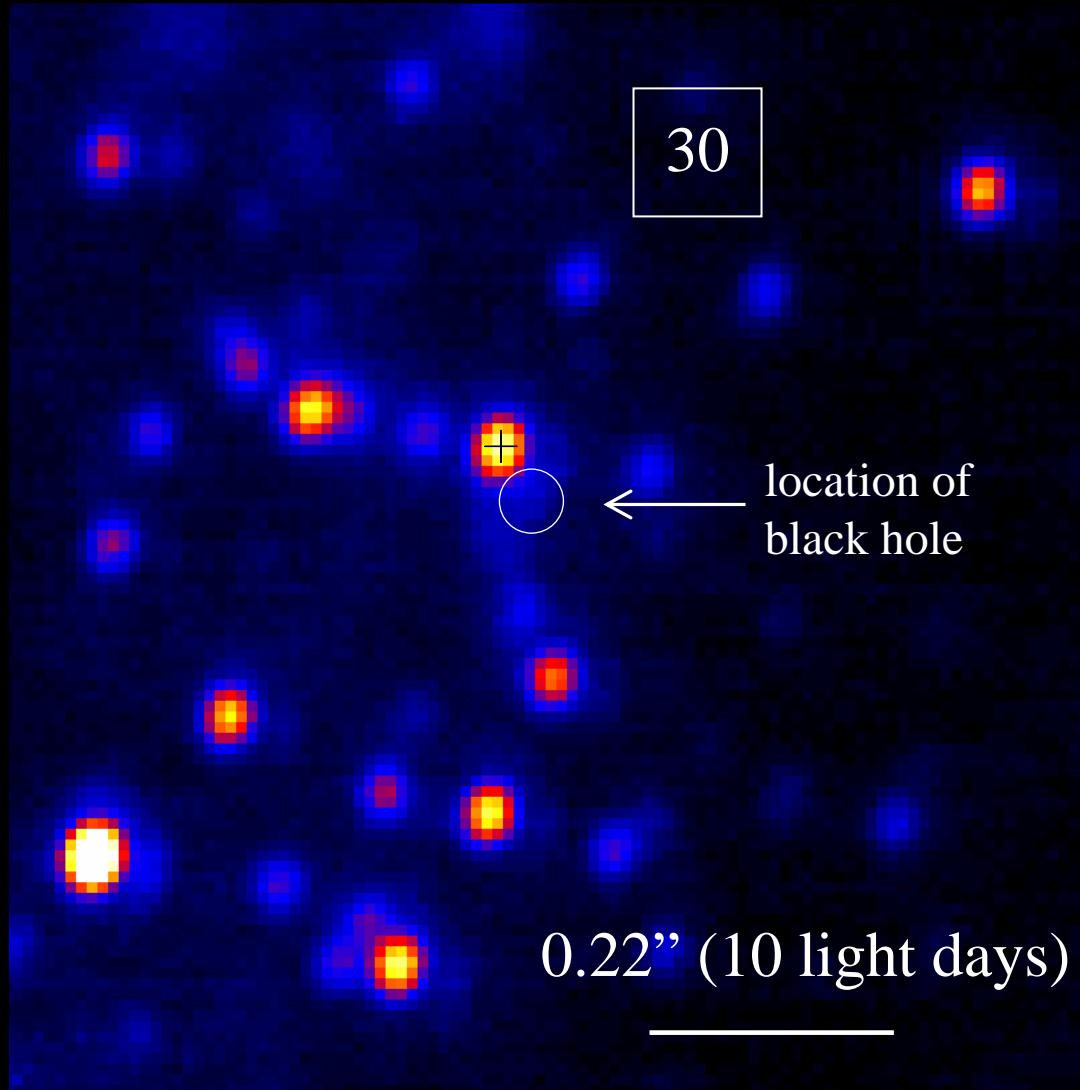
Baganoff *et al.* 2000, 2001, 2003, Porquet *et al.* 2003, Aschenbach *et al.* 2004, Yusef-Zadeh, Zhao *et al.* 2000, 2003, Aitken *et al.* 99, Bower *et al.* 2003

# *Accretion onto the Black Hole*

*Why is the BH so faint:  
 $L \sim 10^{-9} L_{Edd}$  ?*

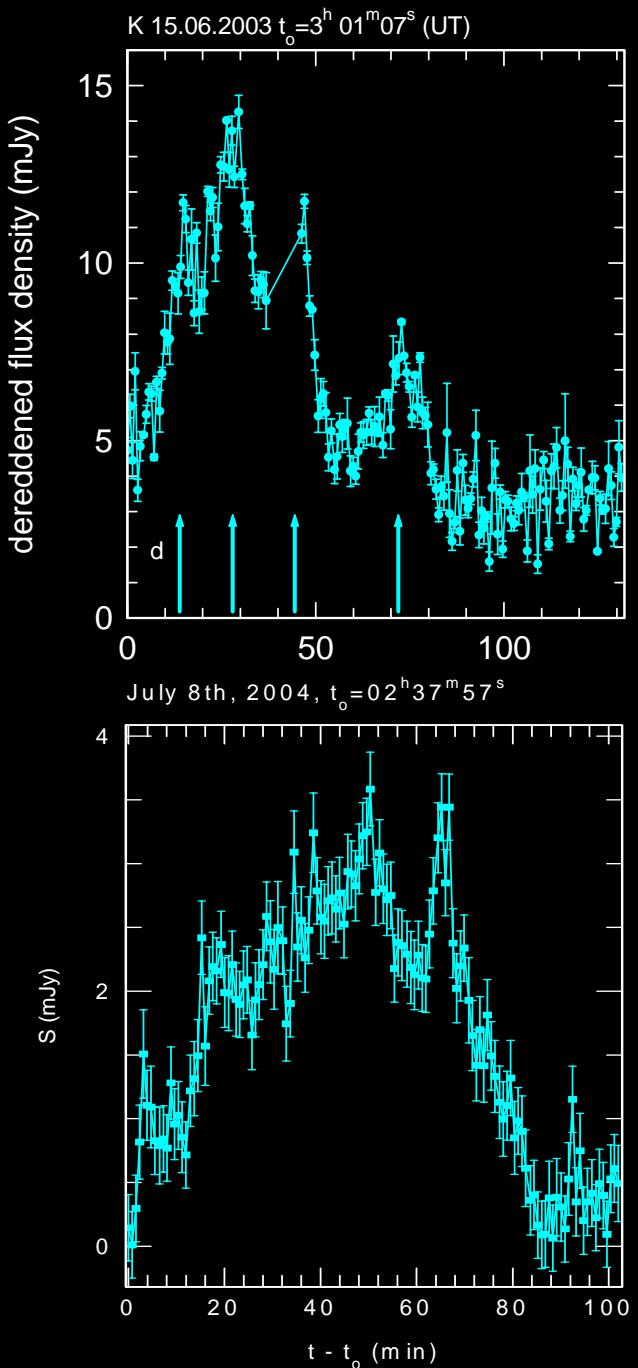
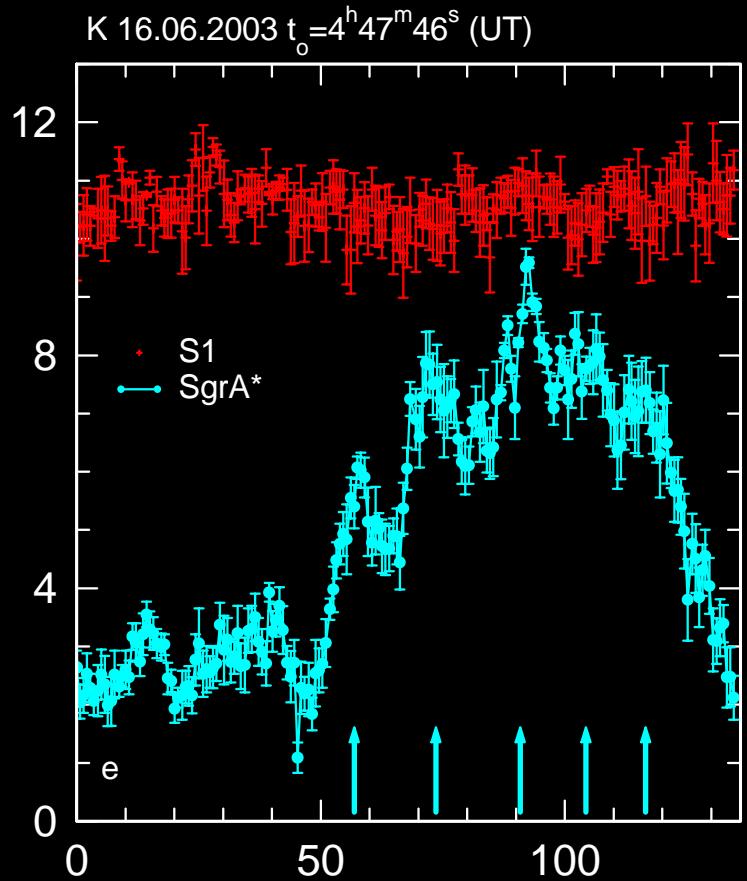


# *infrared flares & BH spin*



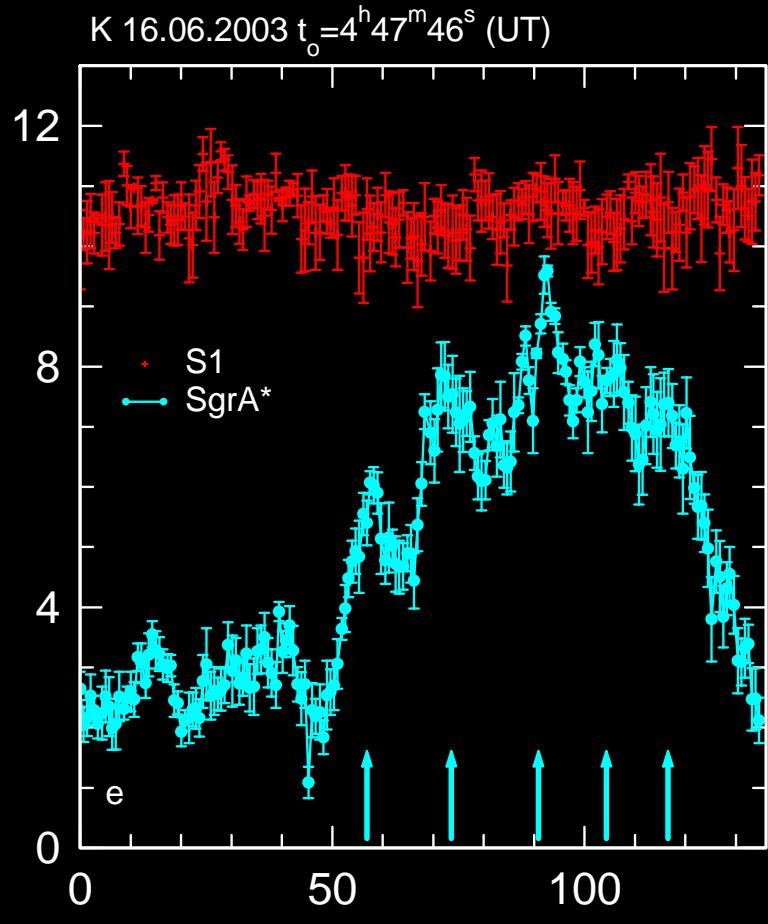
*May 09, 2003: NACO (VLT) H-band, 40 mas resolution (adaptive optics),  
1 min per image*

# *infrared flares*

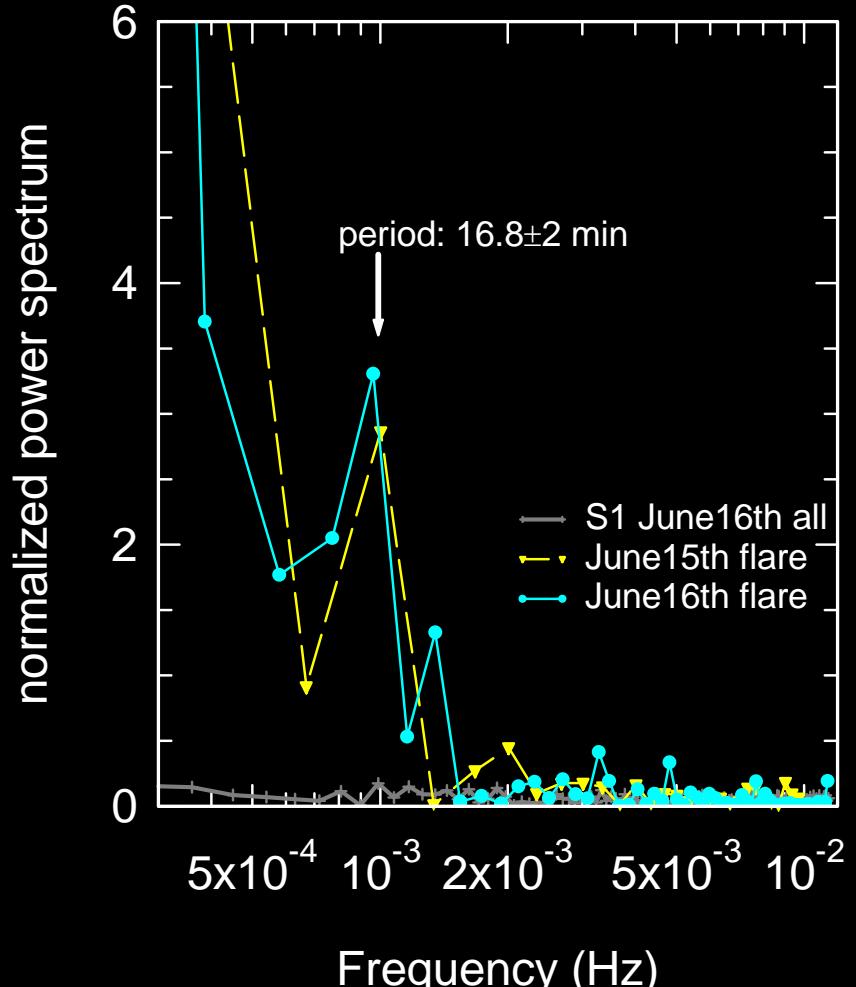


Genzel et al. 2003, Nature 425, Ghez et al. 2004 ApJL

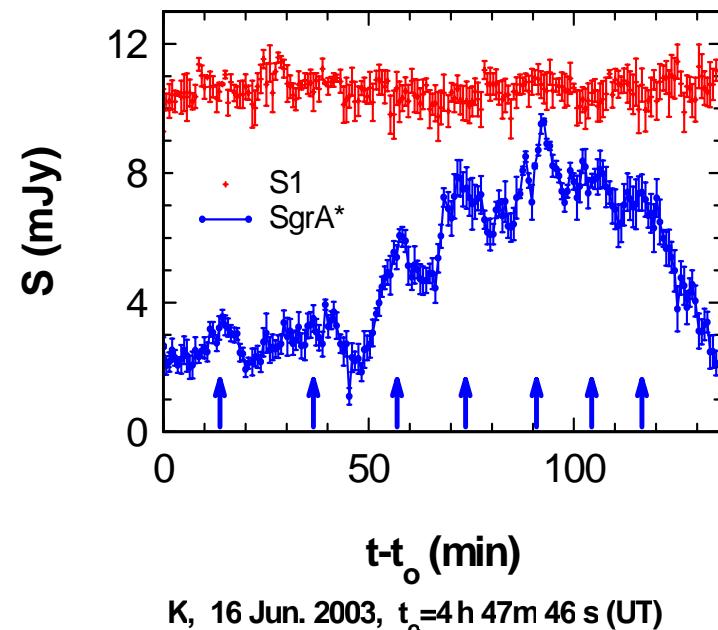
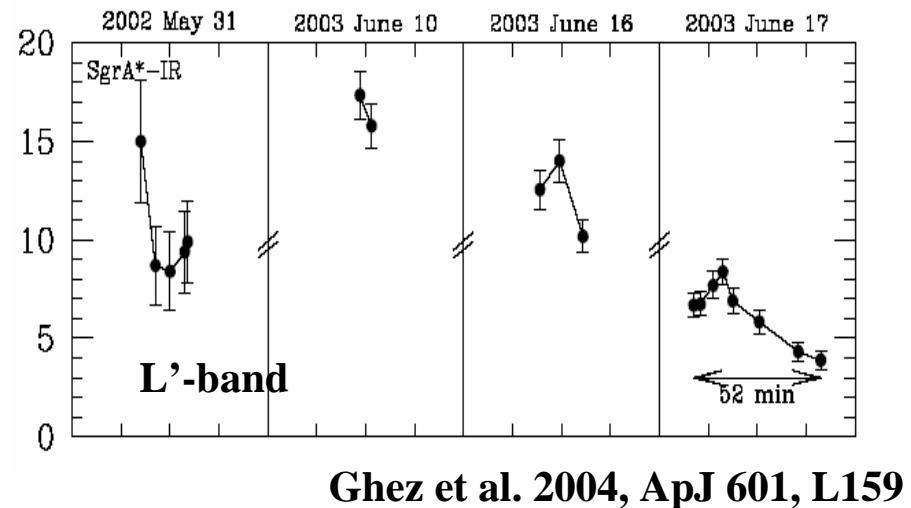
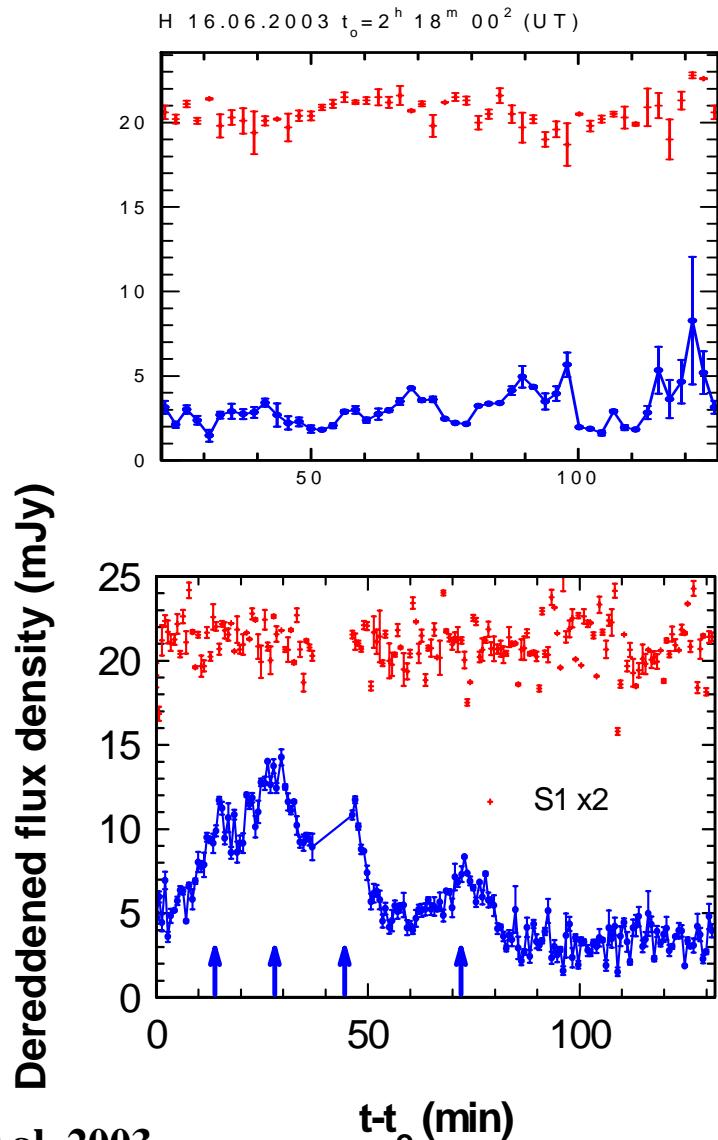
# *Infrared flares: quasi-periodicity*



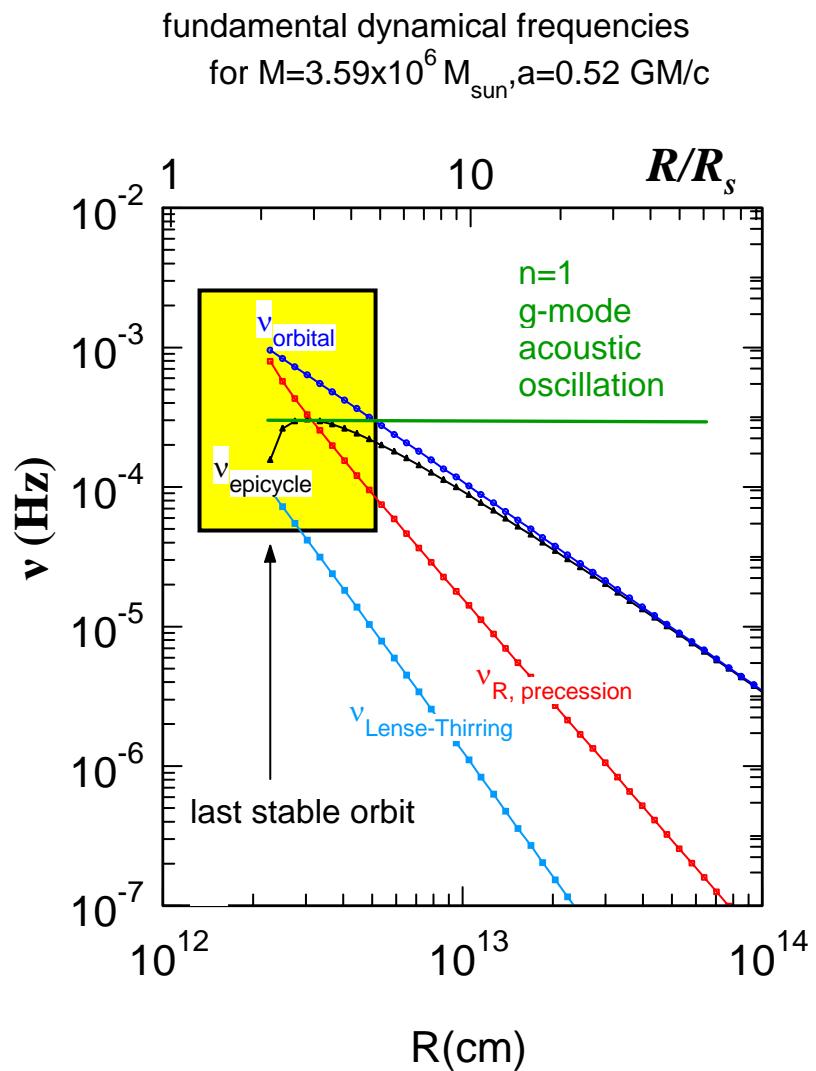
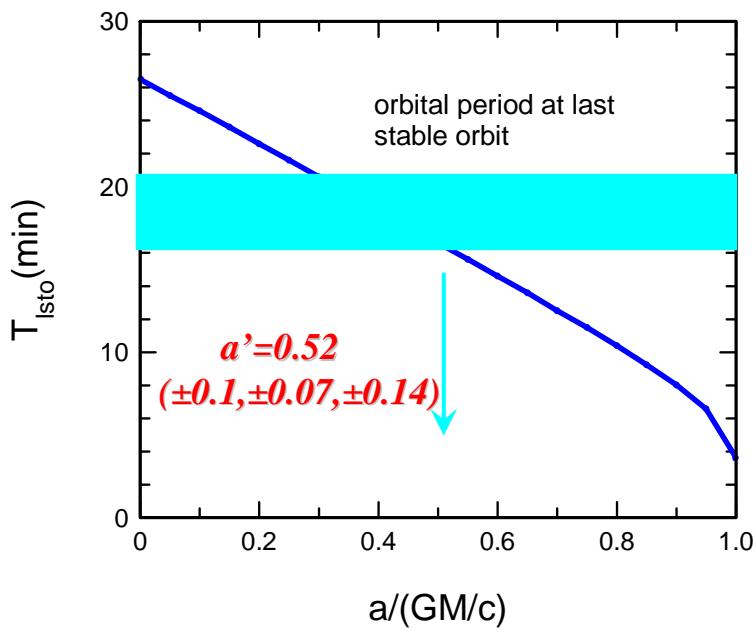
**spin parameter:  $a=0.52\pm0.15$**



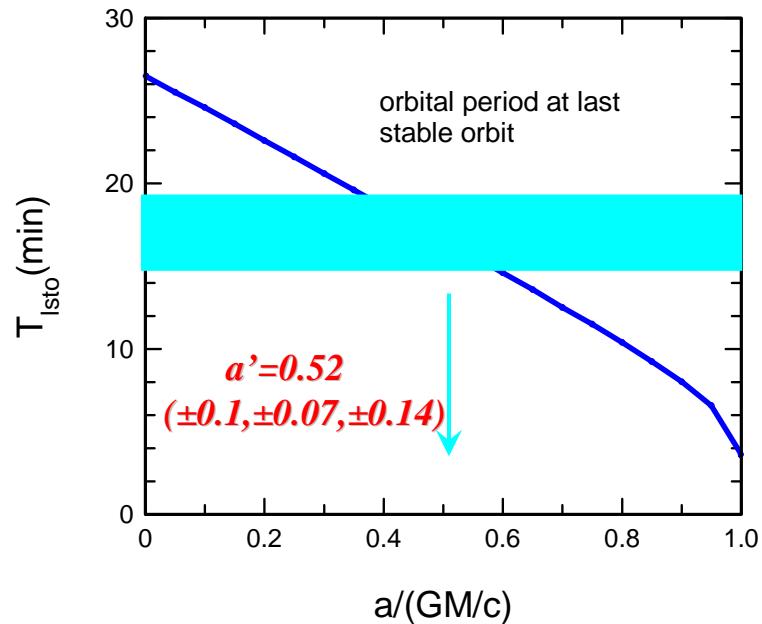
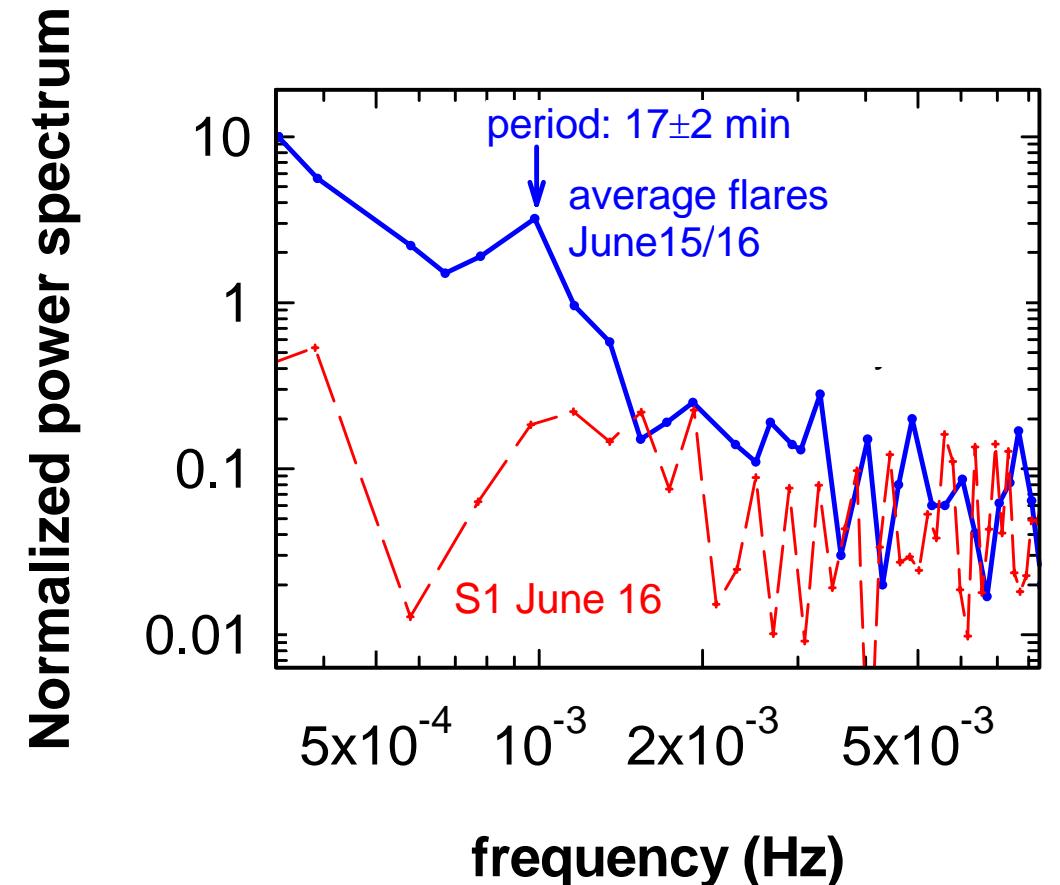
# *IR variability VLT/Keck*



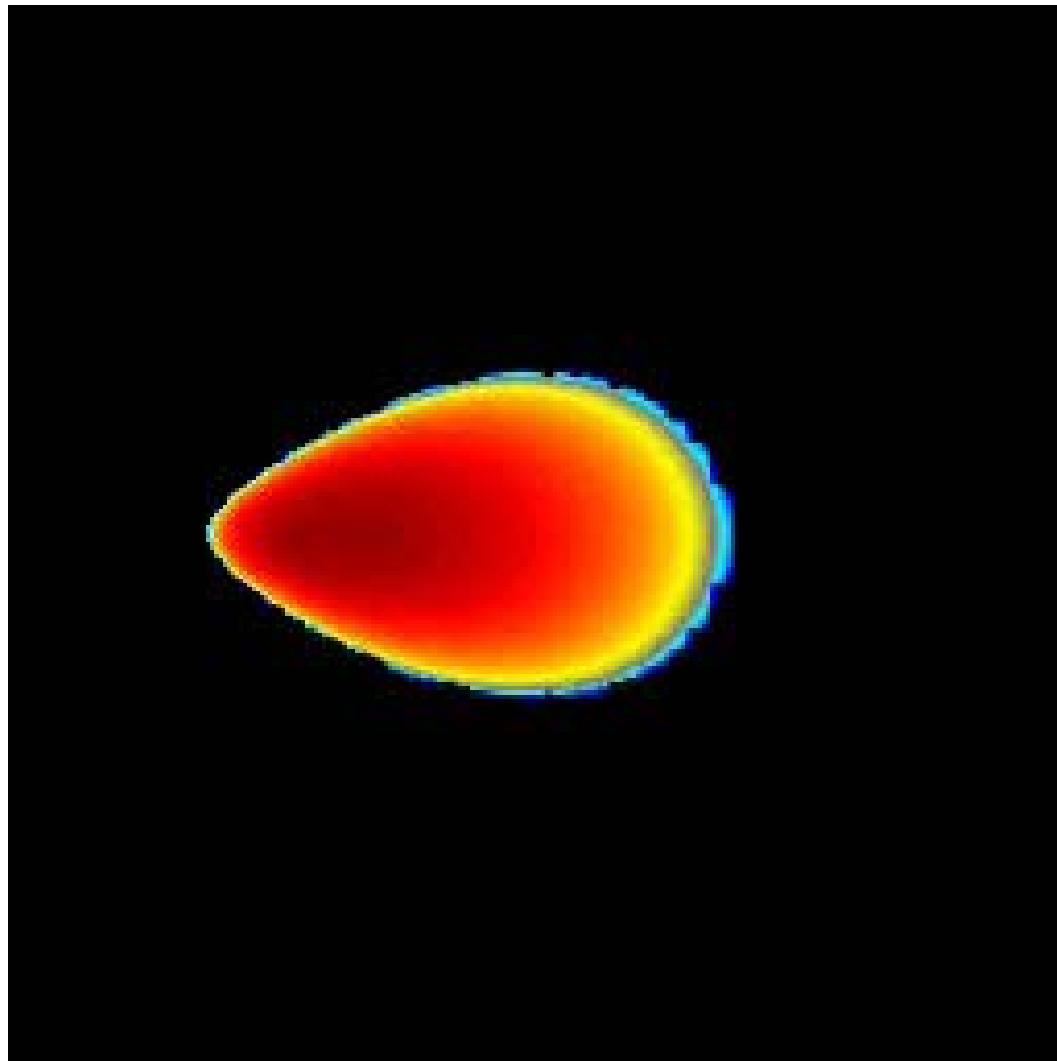
# Fundamental dynamical frequencies around a black hole



# *SgrA\* flare variability and evidence for significant BH spin*

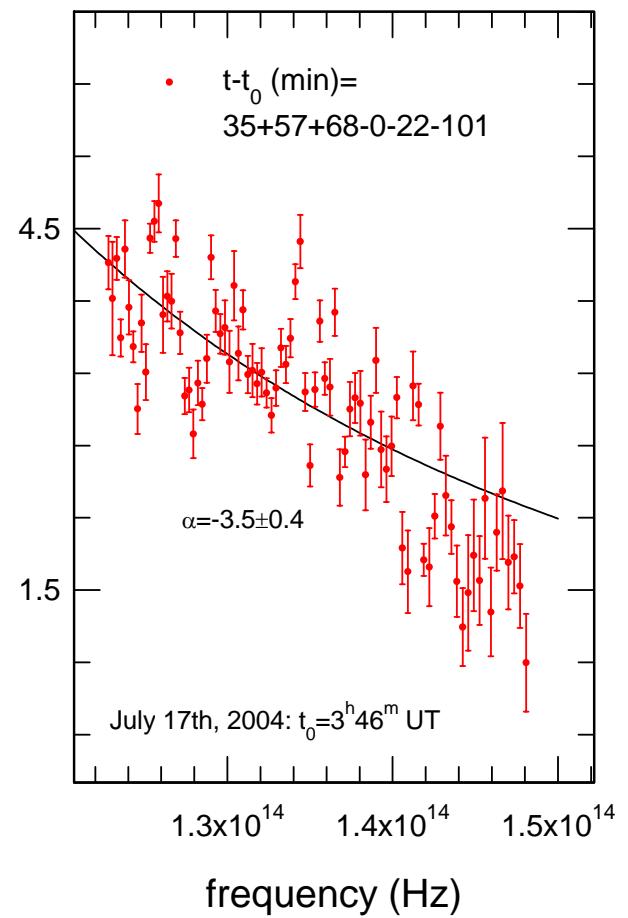
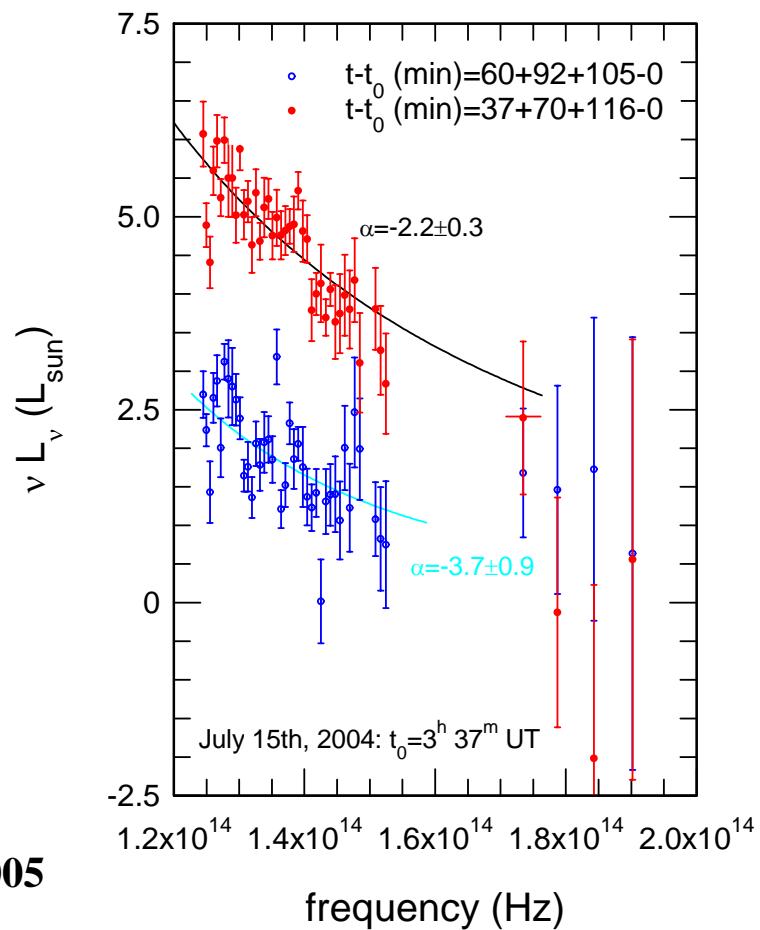
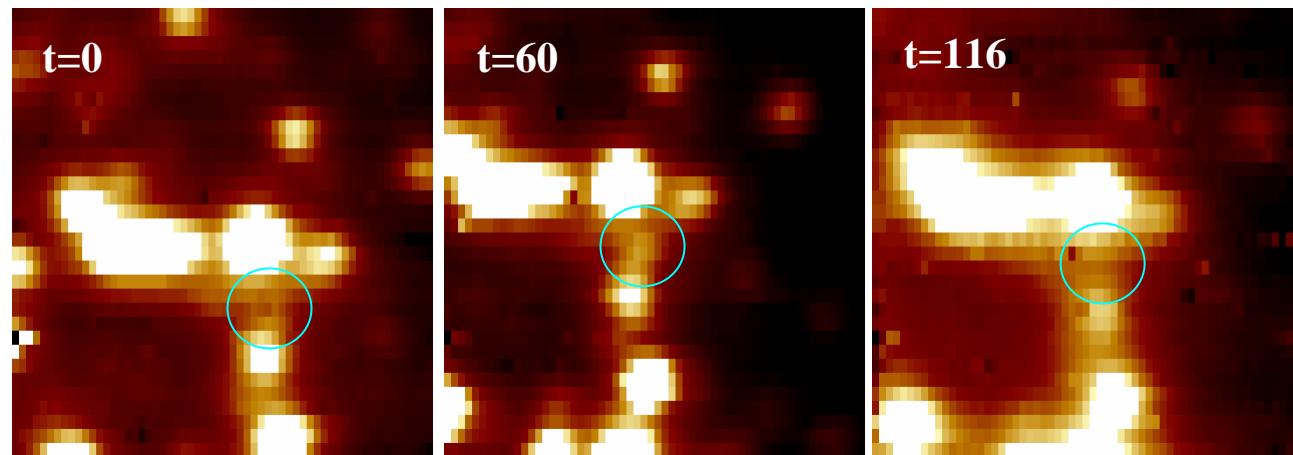


# *Kerr MHD accretion disk simulation*



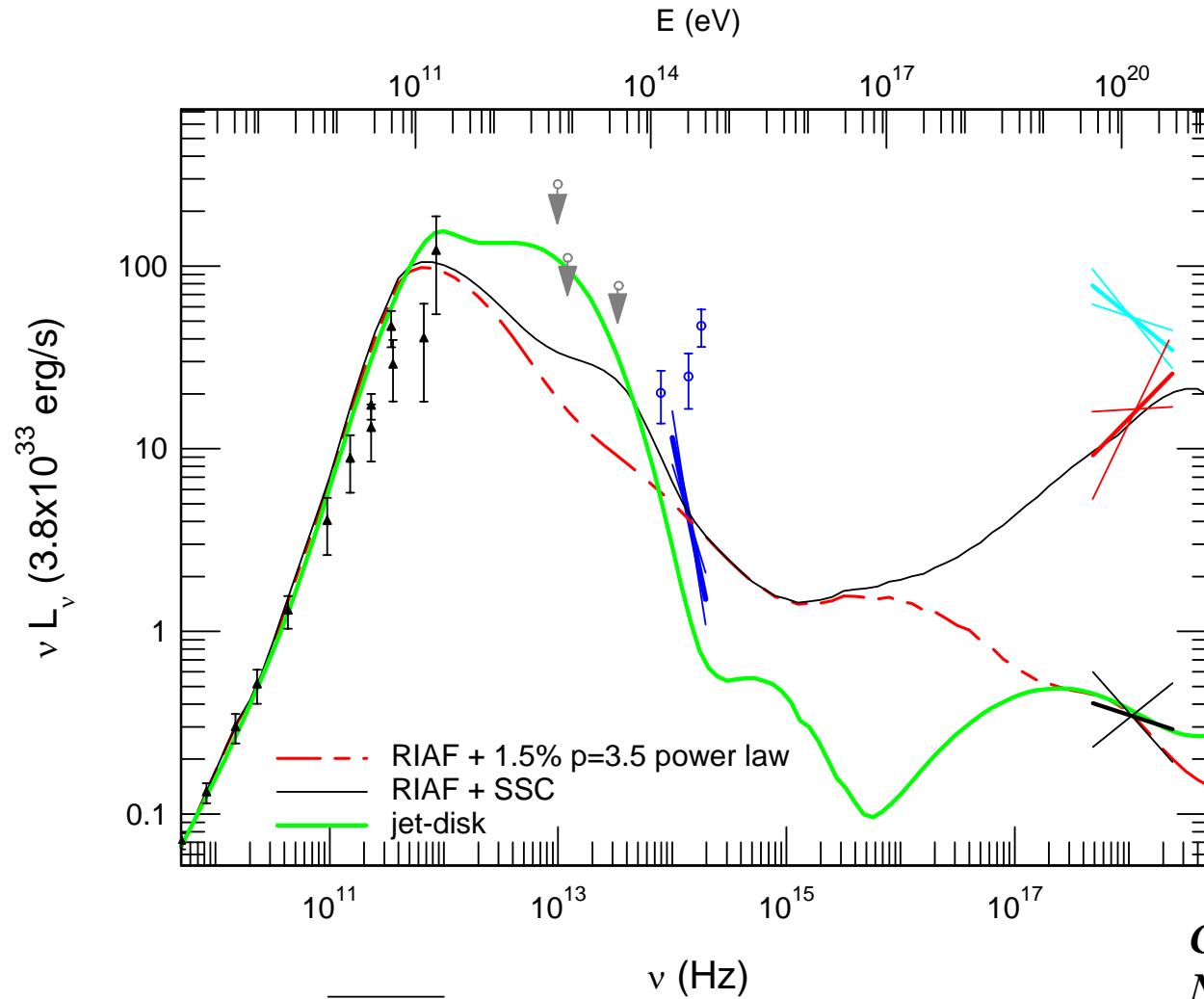
*De Villers, Hawley & Krolik, 2004, Narayan, Quataert, Blandford, Begelman, Balbus, Stone, Gammie 1998-2004*

# *IR SED of flares*



SINFONI 2004:  
Eisenhauer et al. 2005

# *SgrA\* SED and models*



*Genzel et al. 2003,  
Nature 425. 934*

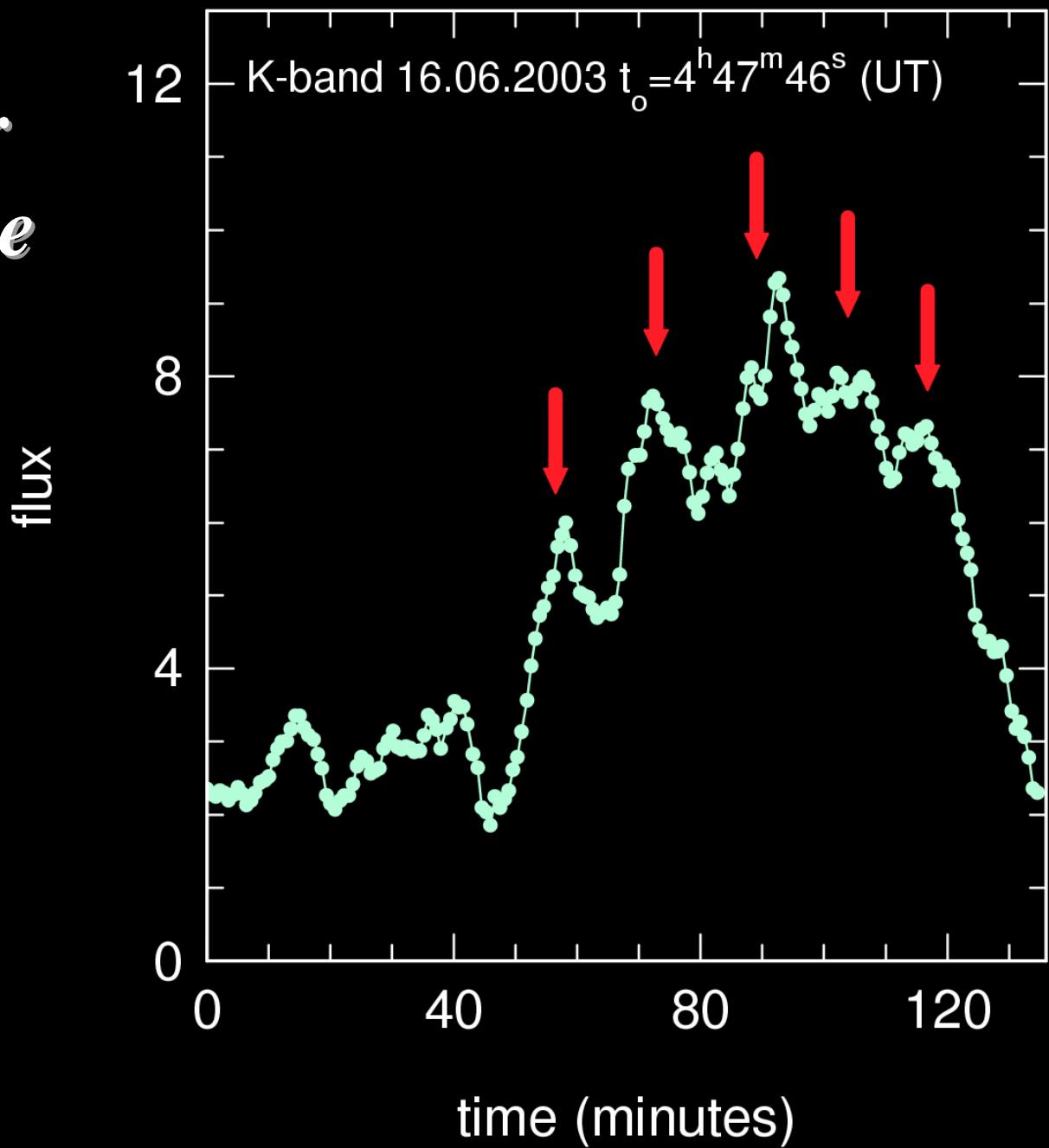
*Ghez et al. 2004, ApJ  
601, L159, Eisenhauer  
et al. 2005*

Radio: Zhao, Falcke, Bower, Aitken, et al. 1999-2003

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models: Markoff, Falcke, Liu, Melia, Narayan, Quataert, Yuan et al. 1999-2003

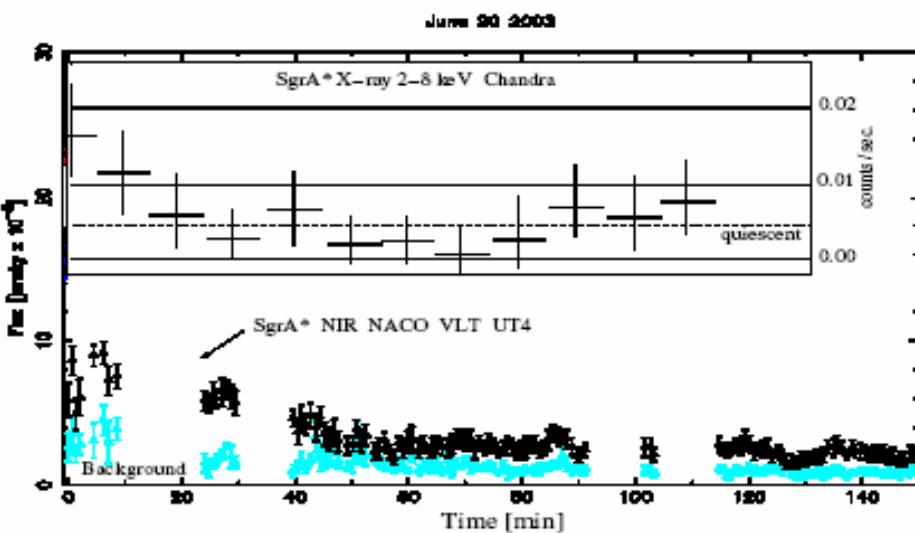
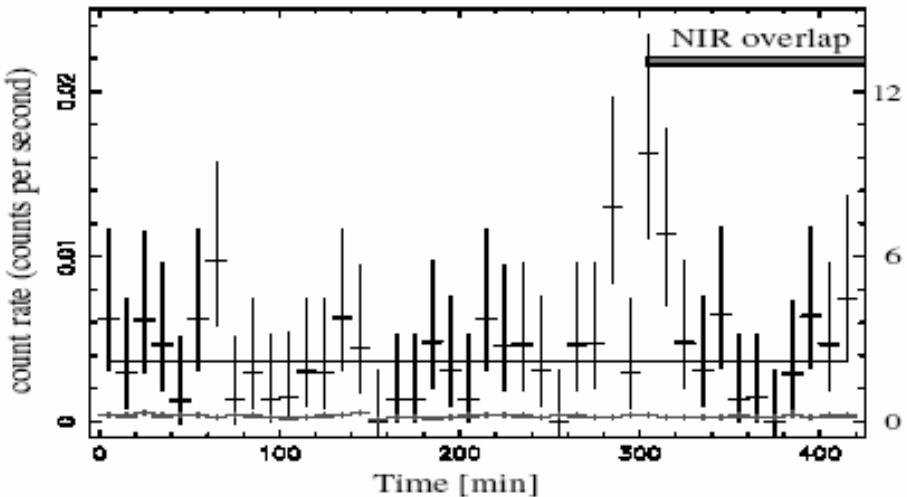
# *Evidence for rotation of the black hole*



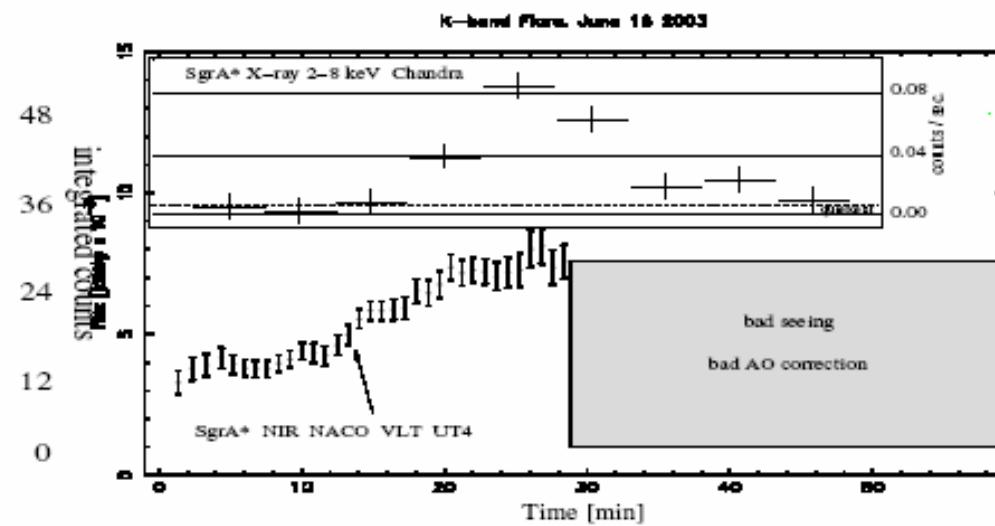
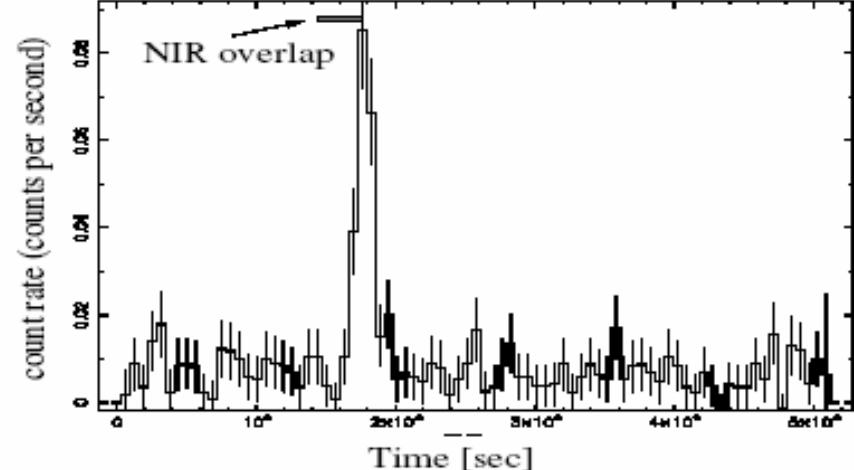
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425, 934

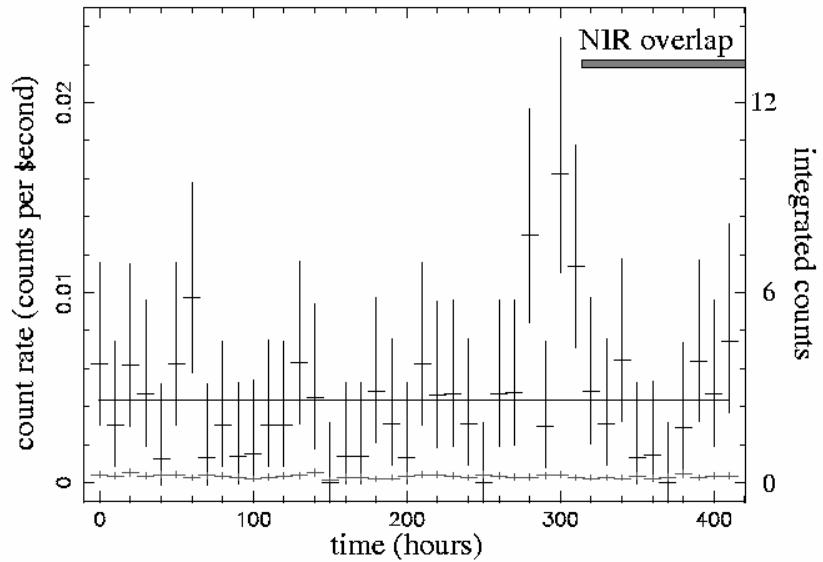
# *Simultaneous X-/IR-Flares*

2003

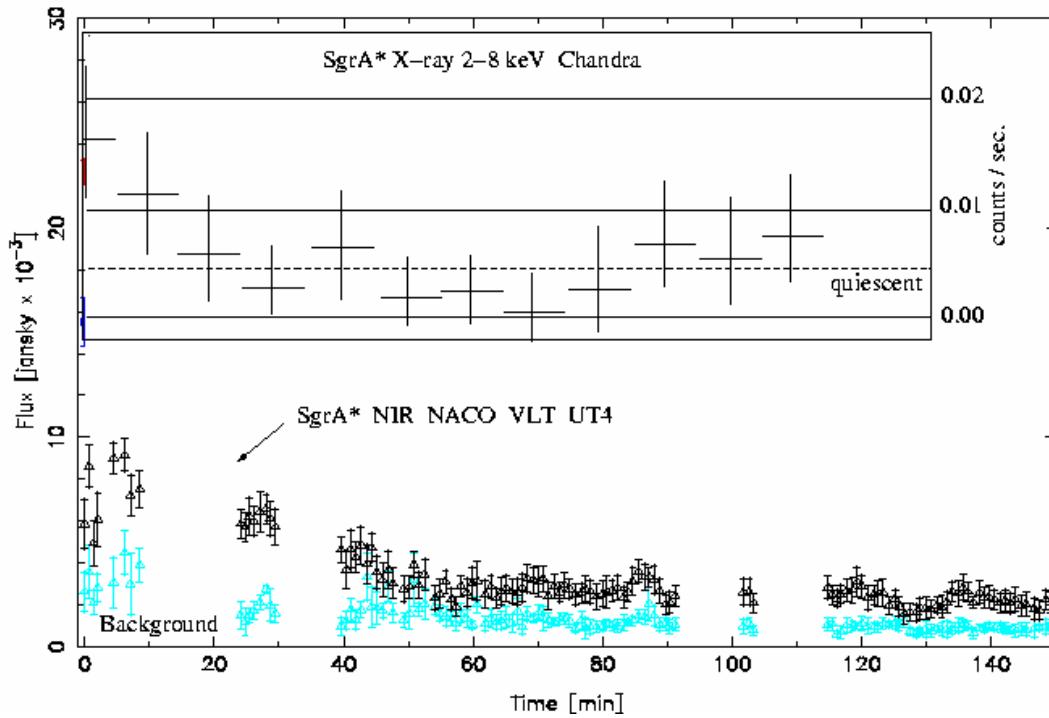


2004

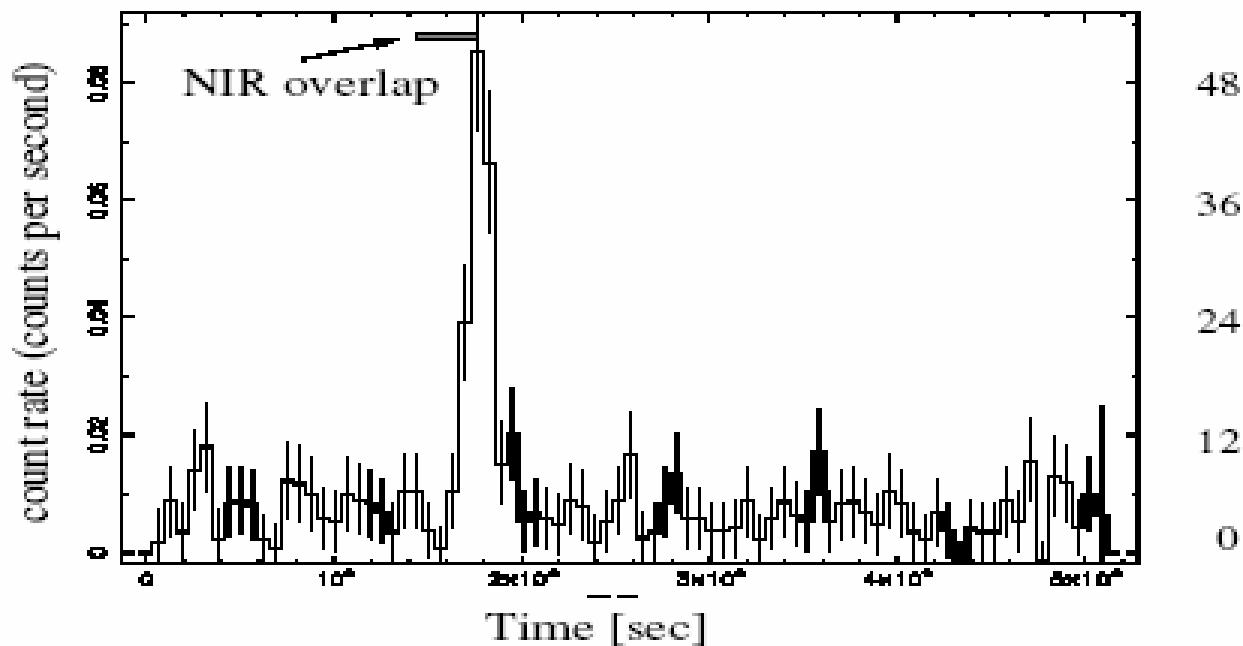




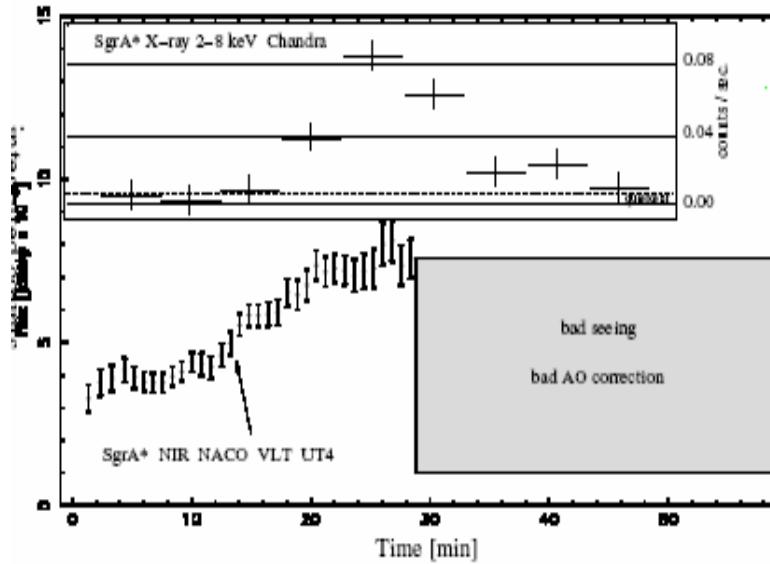
June 20 2003



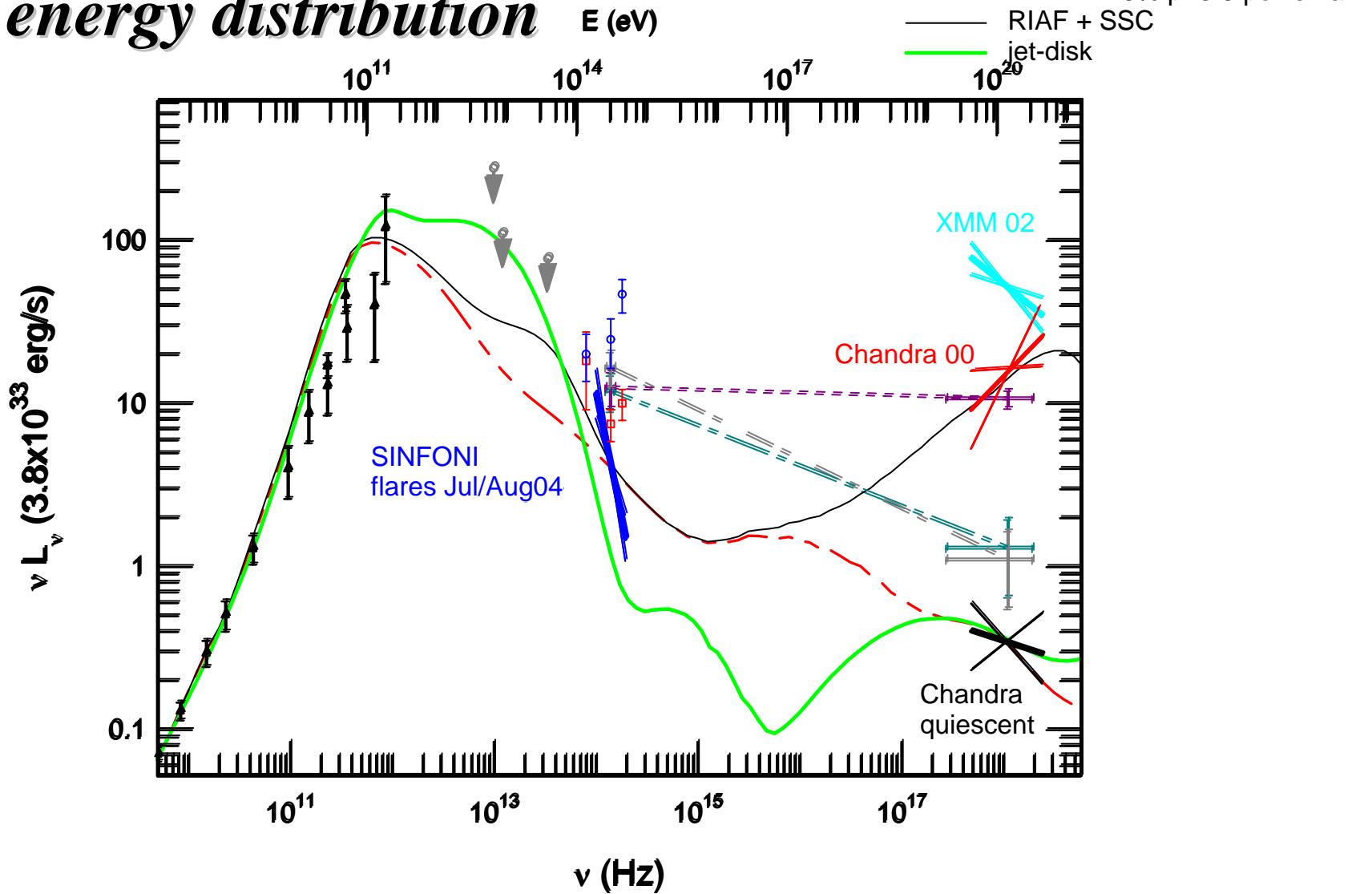
2004



K-band Flare June 18 2003

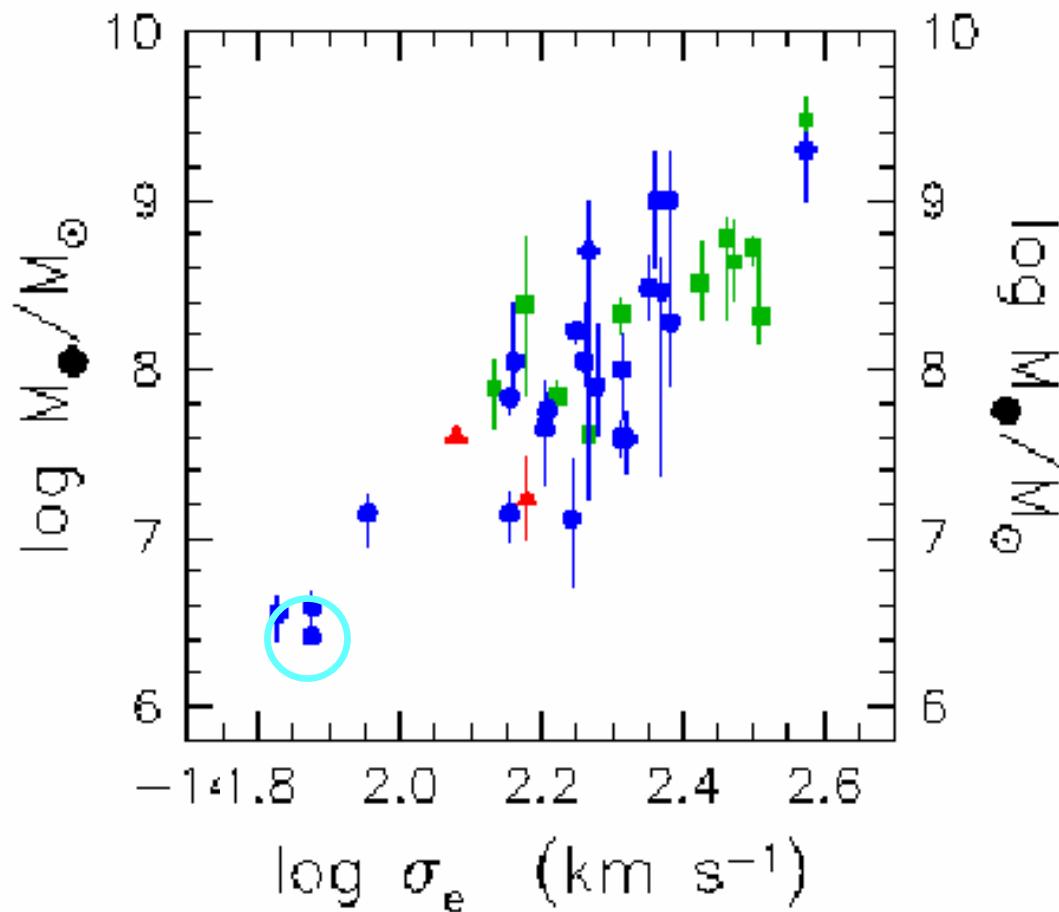


# *overall SgrA\* spectral energy distribution*



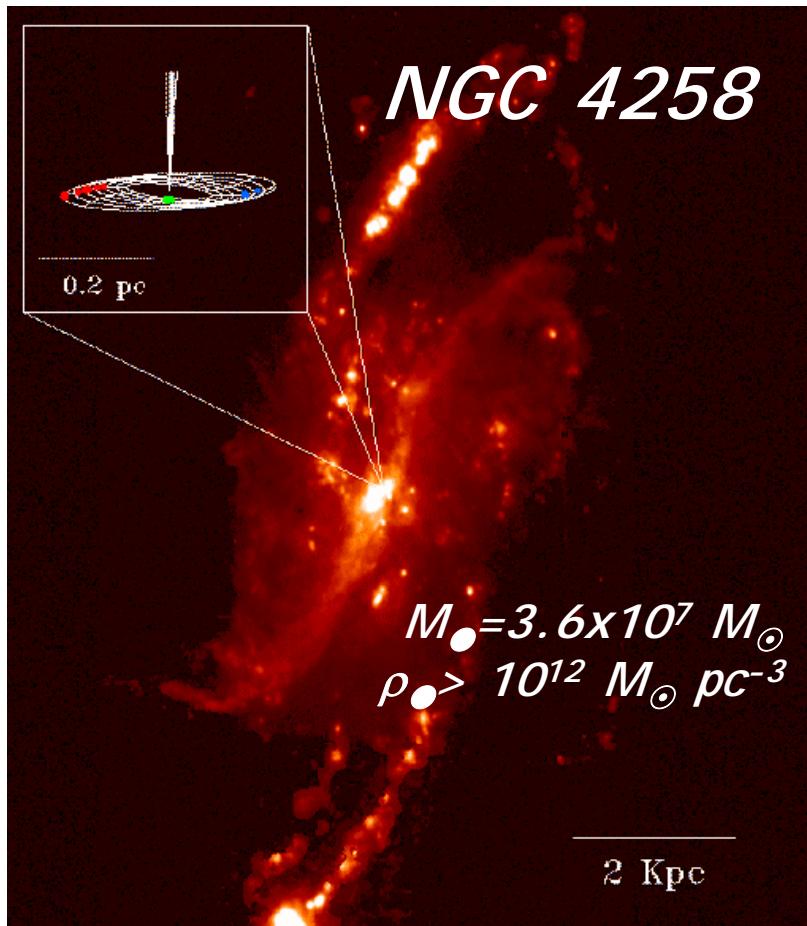
Falcke et al. 1999, Zhao et al. 2004, Markoff et al. 2001, Genzel et al. 2003, Ghez et al. 2004, Eisenhauer et al. 2005, Baganoff et al. 2001, 2003, Porquet et al. 2003, Eckart et al. 2004, 2005, Yuan et al. 2001, 2003, 2004, Liu et al. 2004

# *Black hole demographics*

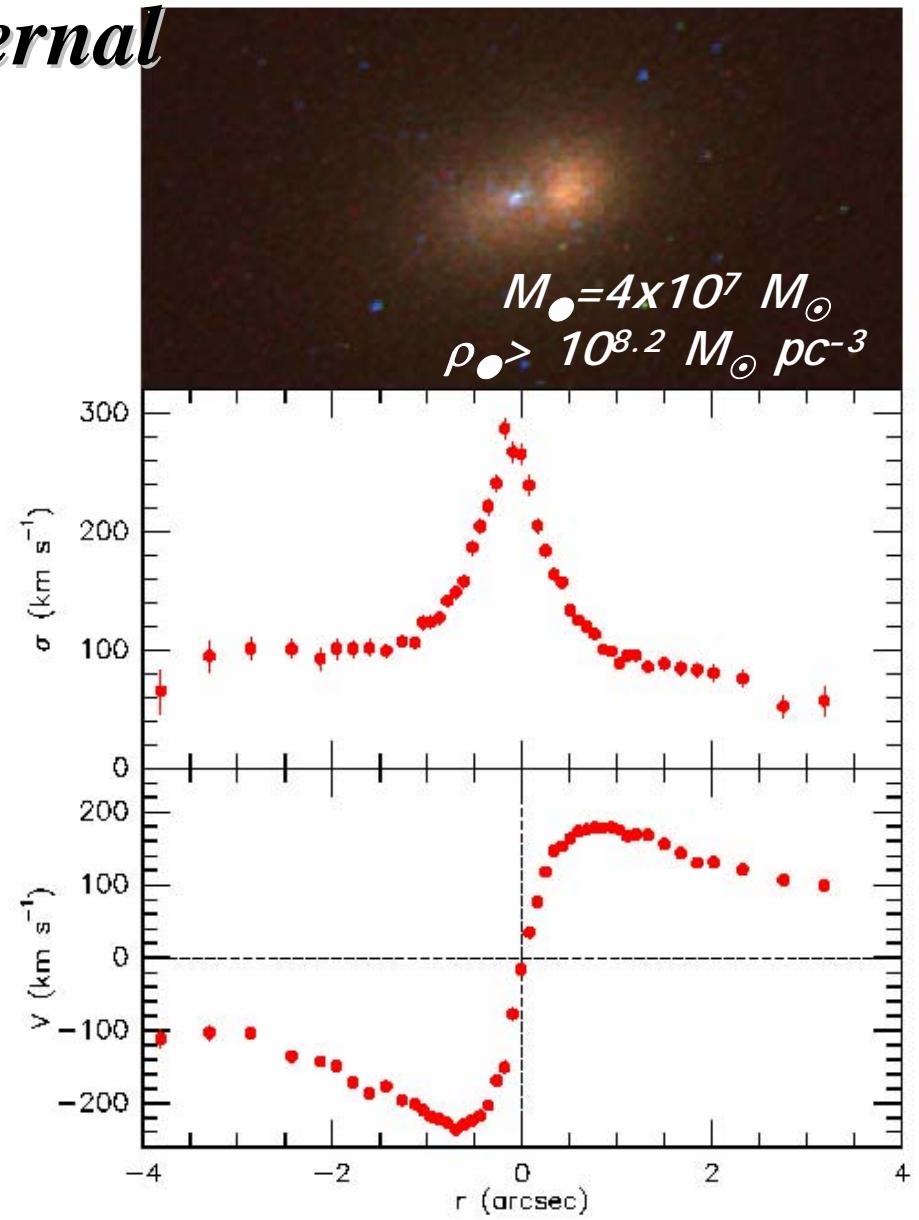


*M31*

# *Dark central masses in external galaxies*

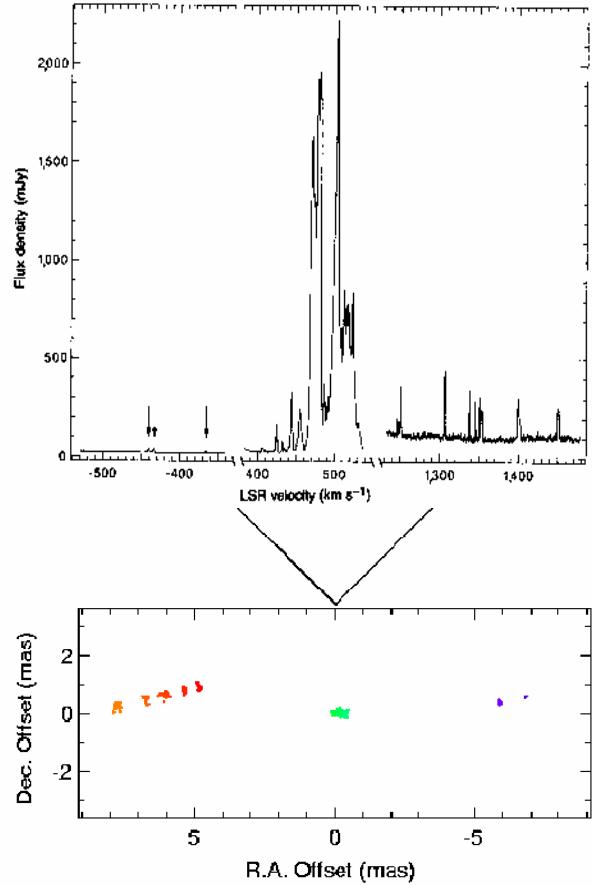
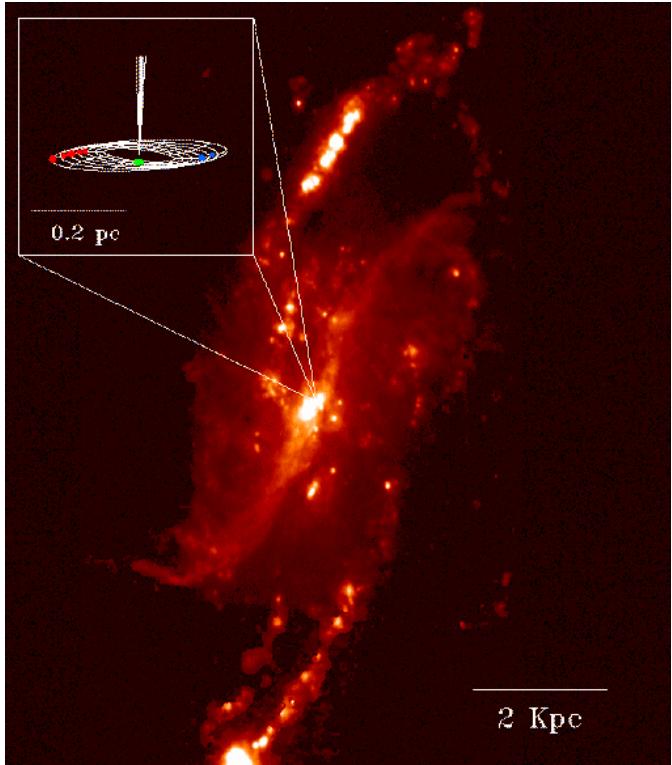


*Greenhill, Myoshi, Moran et al 1995-97*

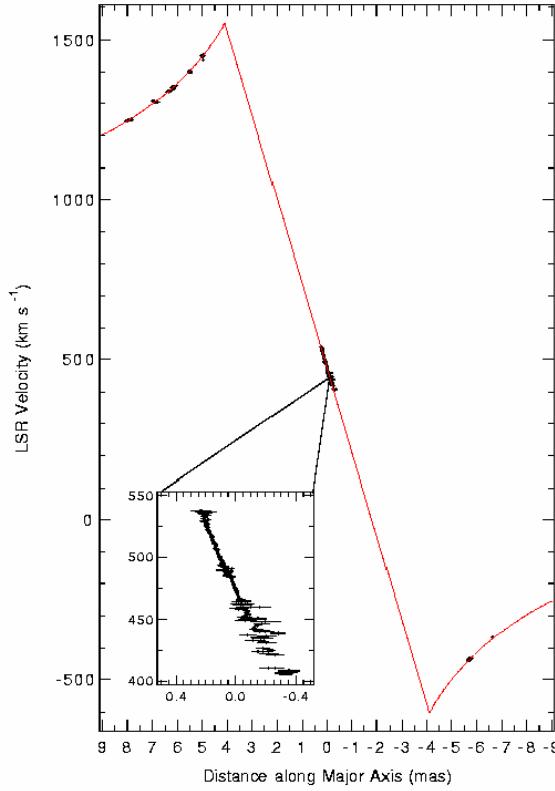


*Bacon, Bender, Kormendy, Richstone, Tonry, van der Marel, et al. 1985-2000*

# *Dark central masses in external galaxies: H<sub>2</sub>O maser disk in NGC 4258*



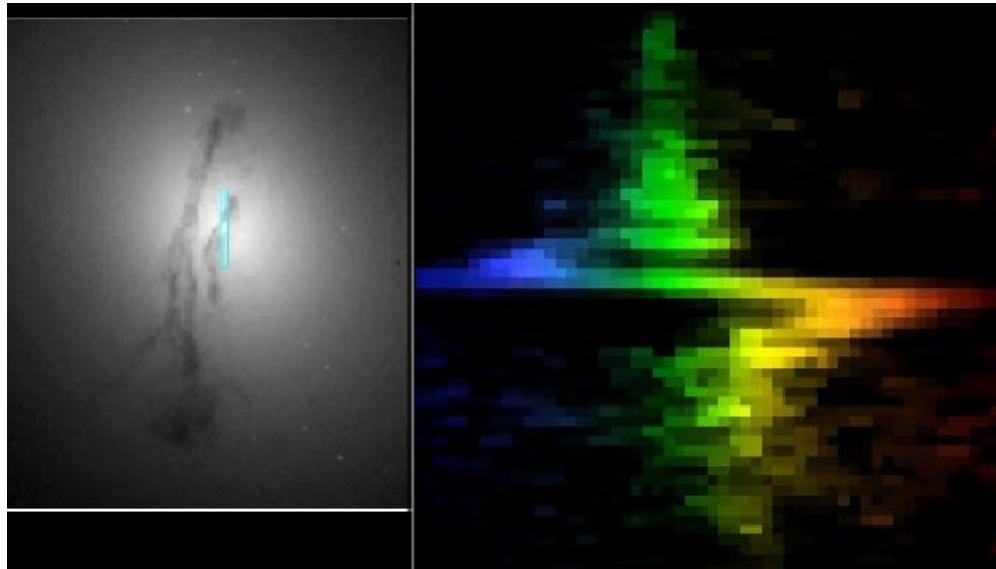
$$M_\bullet = 3.6 \times 10^7 M_\odot$$
$$\rho_\bullet > 10^{12} M_\odot \text{ pc}^{-3}$$



*Greenhill, Herrnstein, Myoshi, Moran et al 1995-97 (e.g. Nature 373, 127)*

# *Dark central masses in external galaxies: bulges and ellipticals*

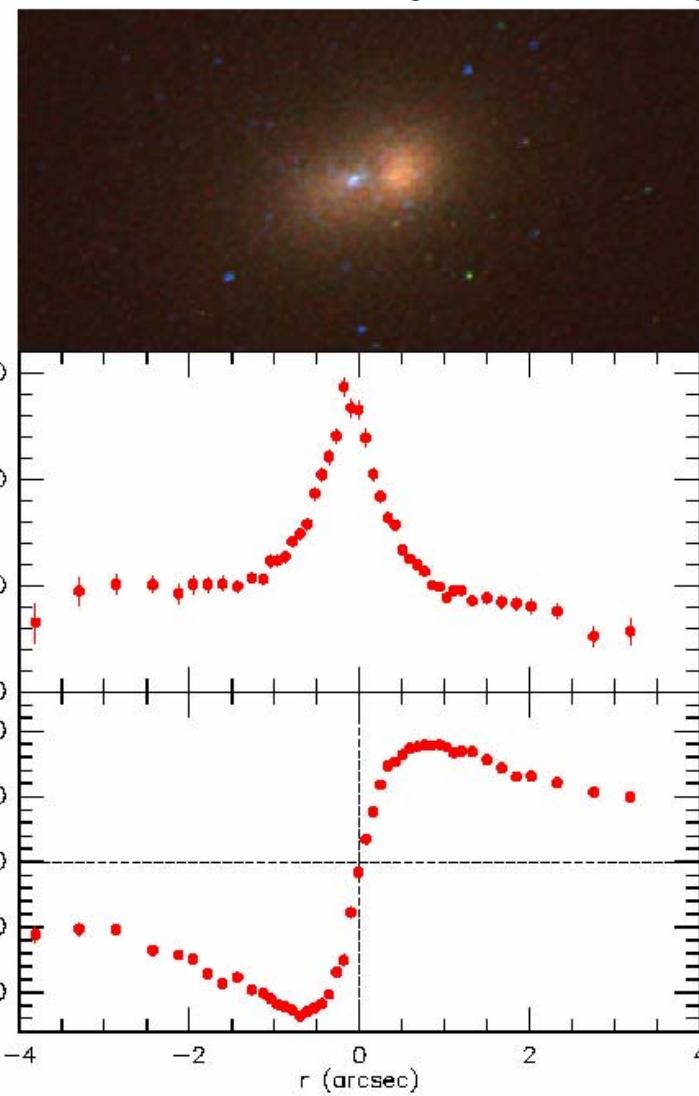
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$M_\bullet = 2 \times 10^9 M_\odot$

*M31*

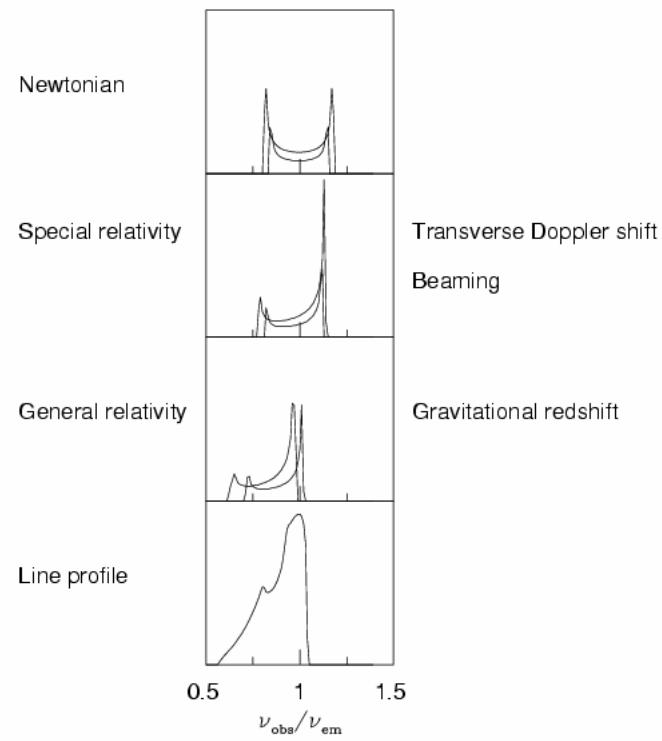
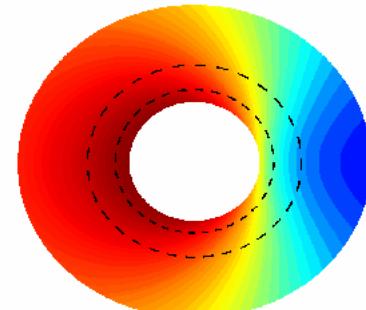
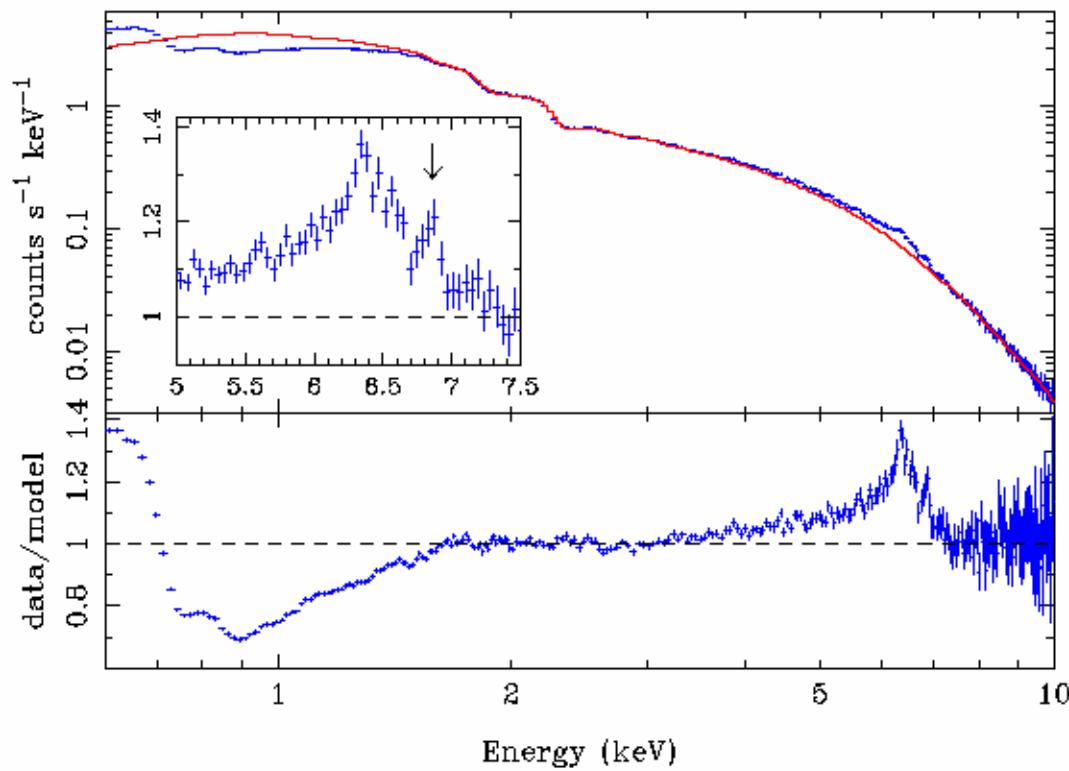
$M_\bullet = 3 \times 10^7 M_\odot$



*Bacon, Bender, Bower, Dressler, Kormendy, Richstone,  
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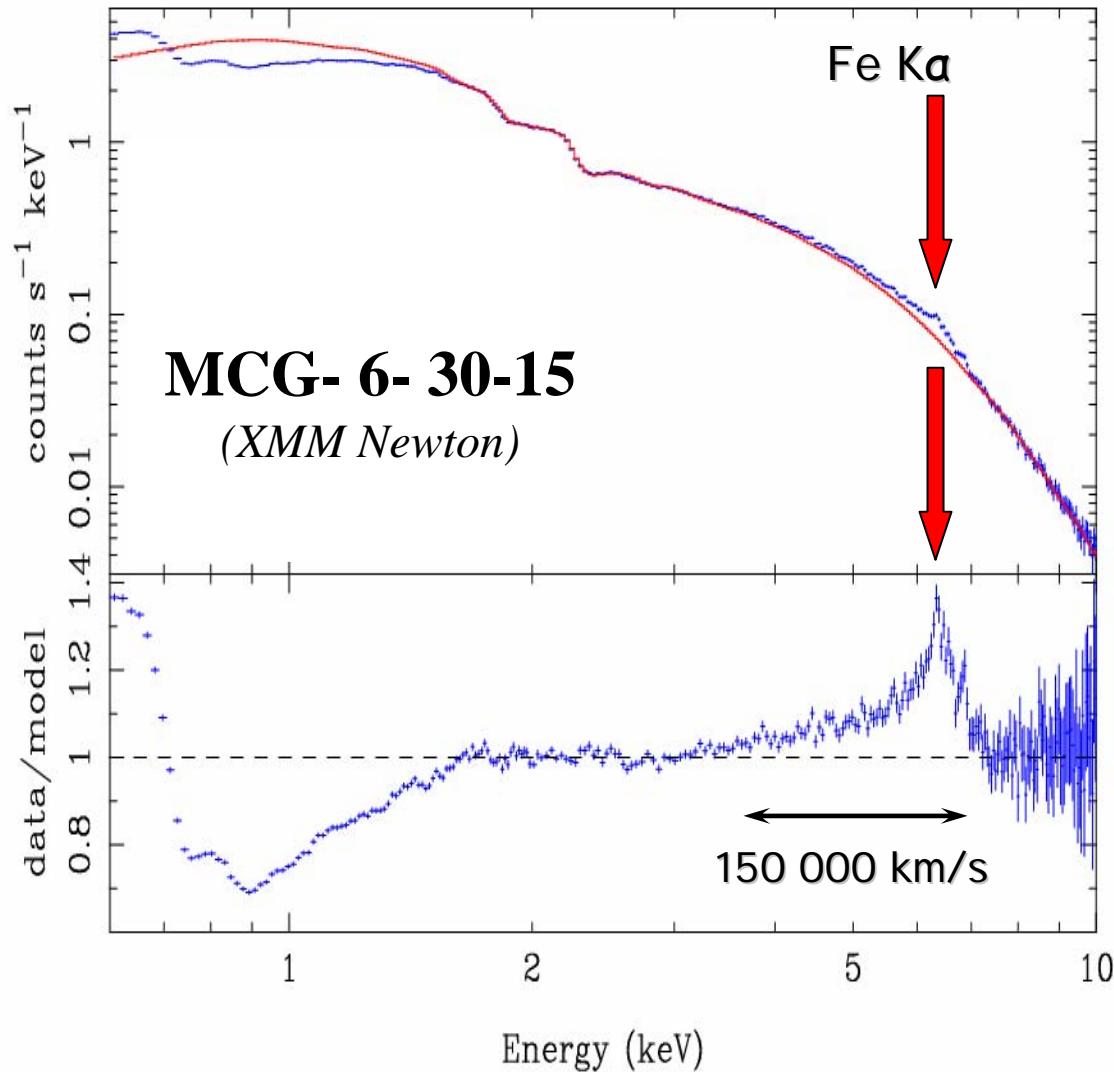
# X-ray spectroscopy: relativistic accretion disks

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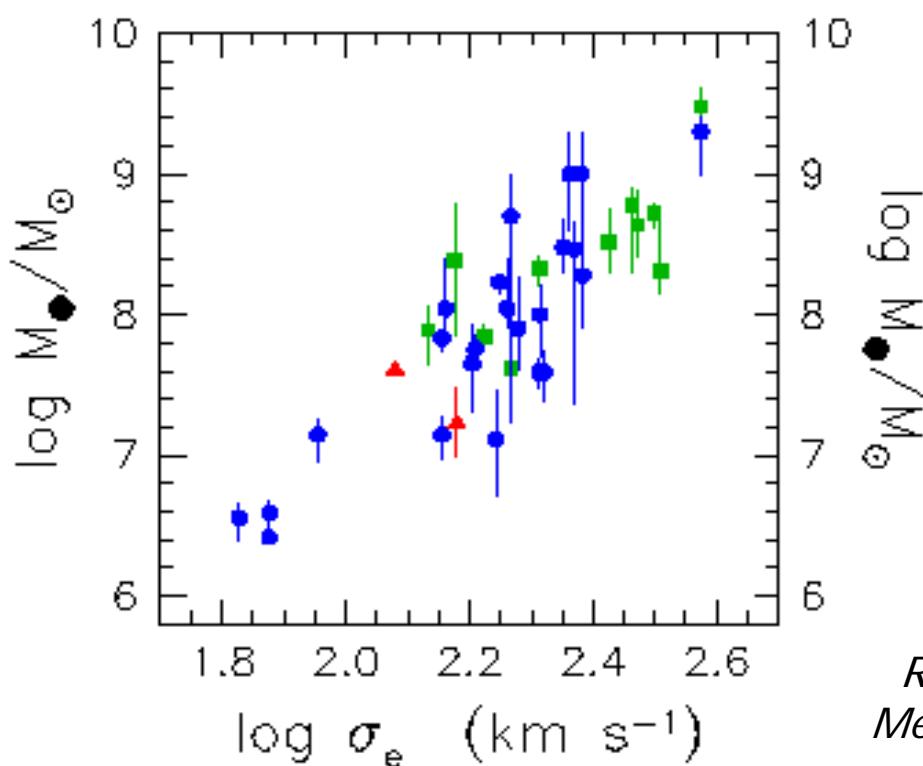
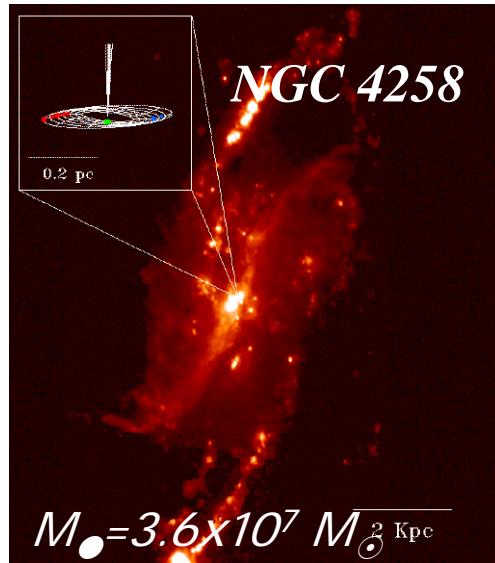


Tanaka et al. 95, Nandra et al. 97, Ballantyne and Fabian 2001, Wilms et al. 2001, Lee et al. 2000, Elvis 2000, Fabian et al. 2002

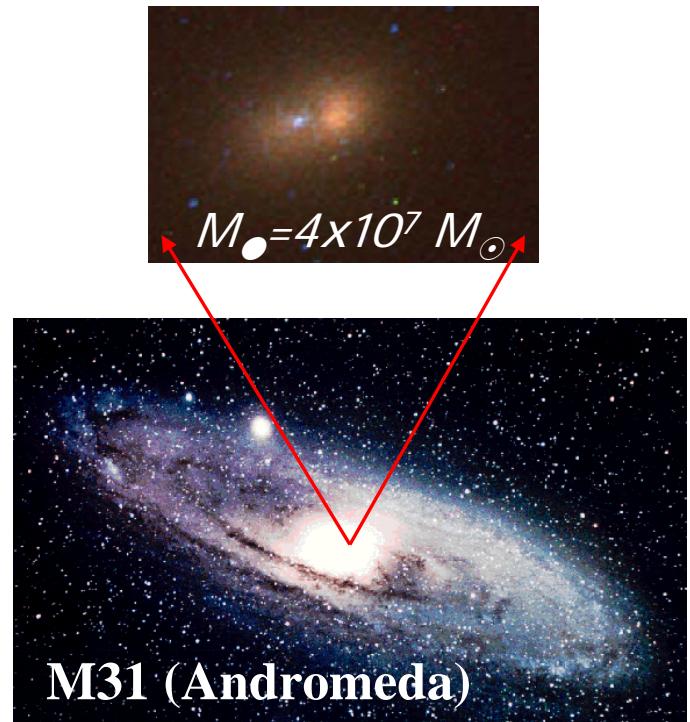
# *Relativistic accretion disks in external galaxies*



Tanaka, Nandra et al  
1997-99  
Fabian et al. 2002

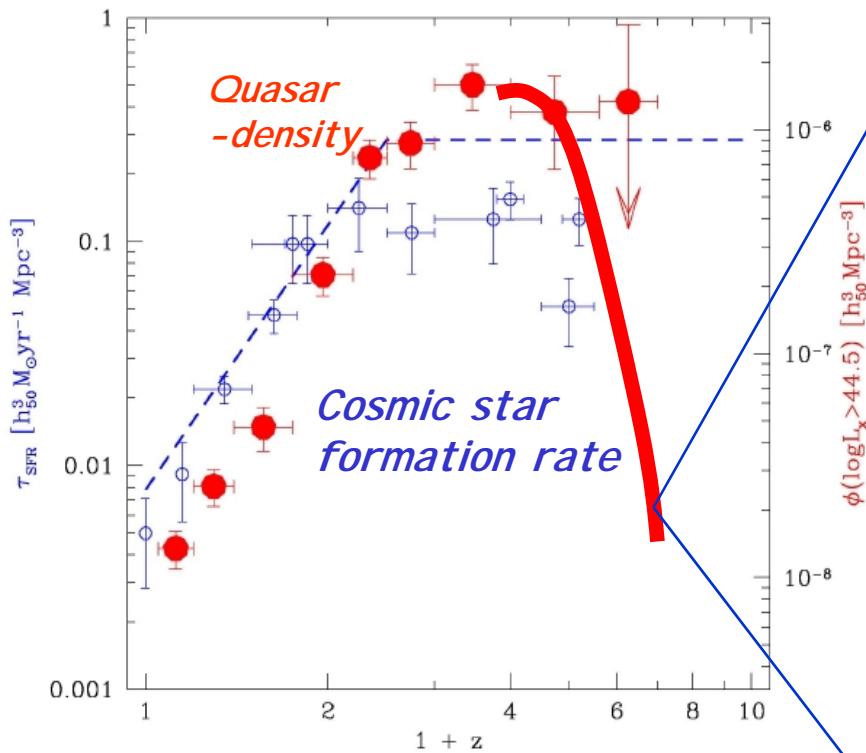


# Black Holes in the Local Universe

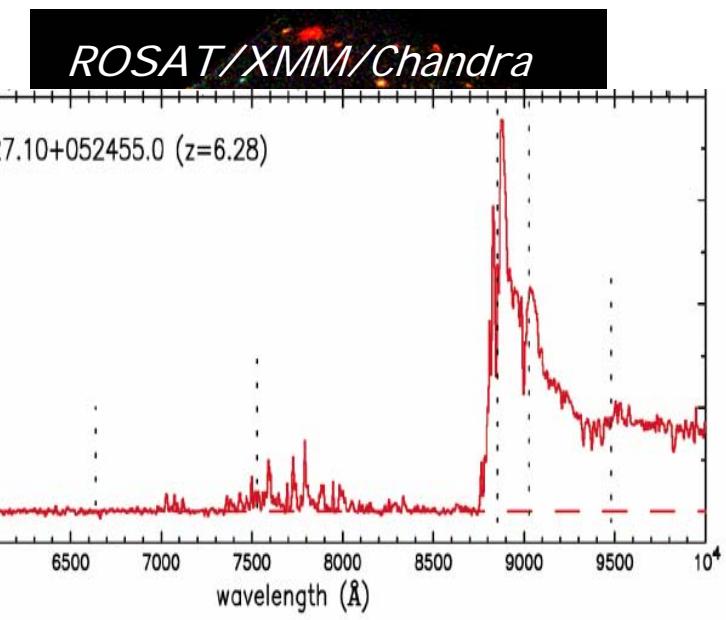


*Miyoshi et al. 1995, Kormendy & Richstone 1995, Gebhardt et al. 2000, Merritt und Ferrarese 2000, Tremaine et al. 2002, Bender et al. 2002, 2005*

# *Black Holes & Galaxy Formation*

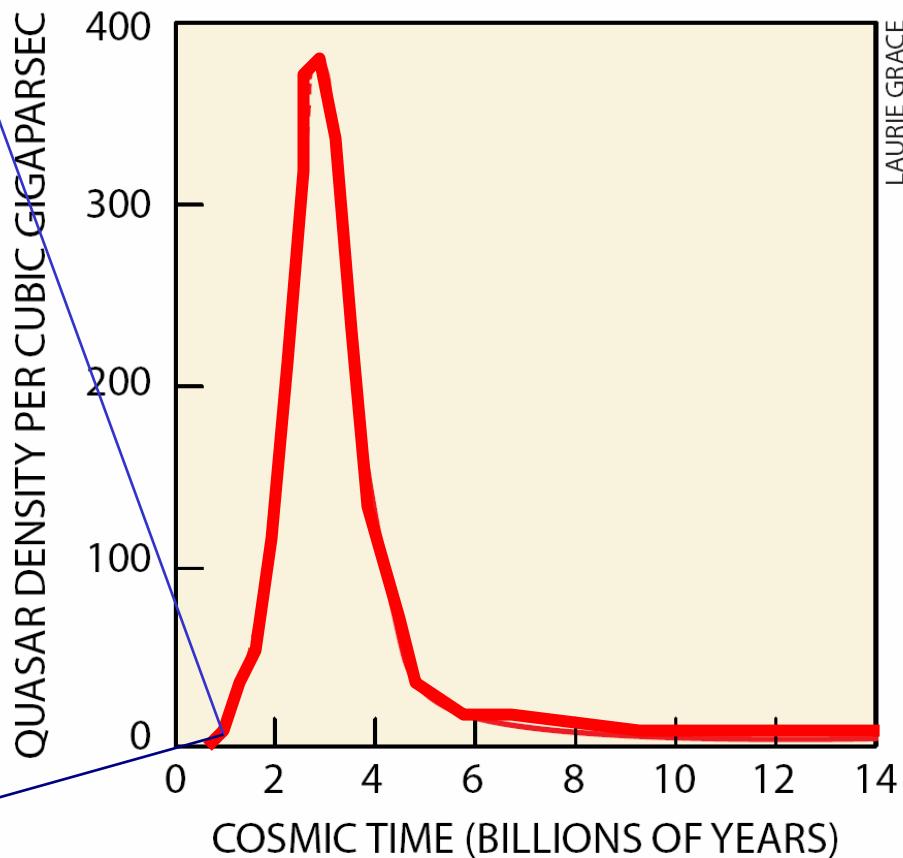
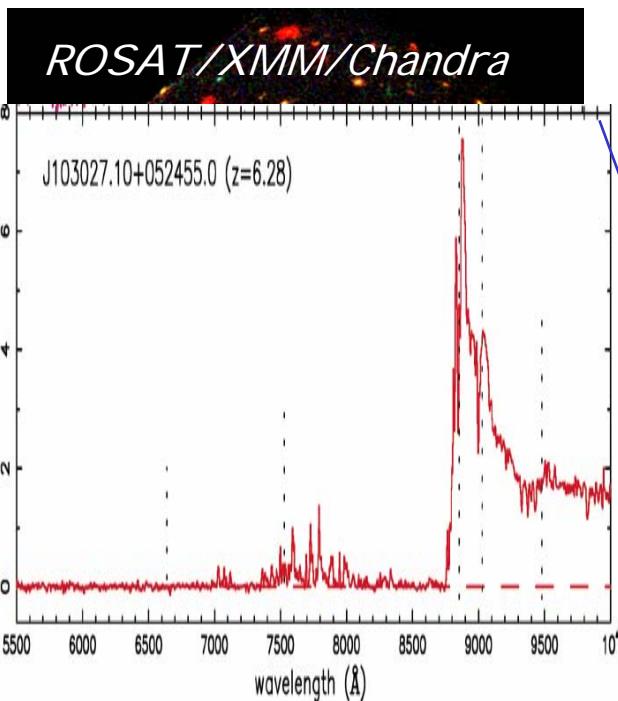


Hasinger et al. 1999, 2002, Steidel et al. 1999,  
Bender und FORS Team 2002



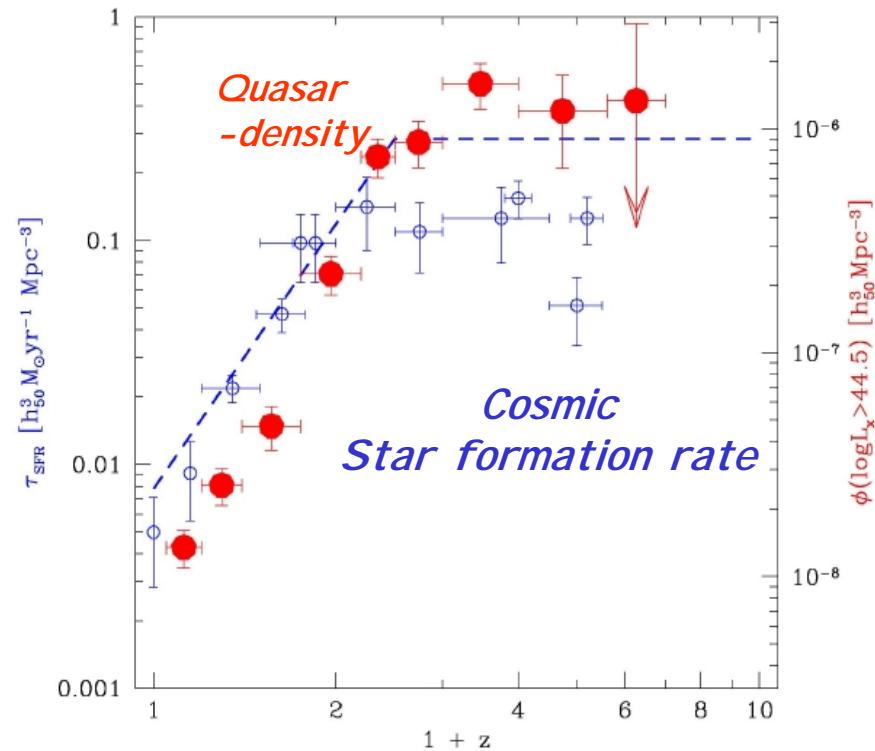
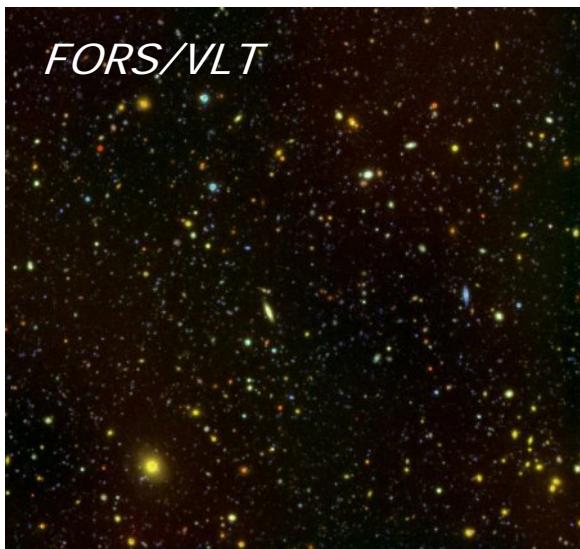
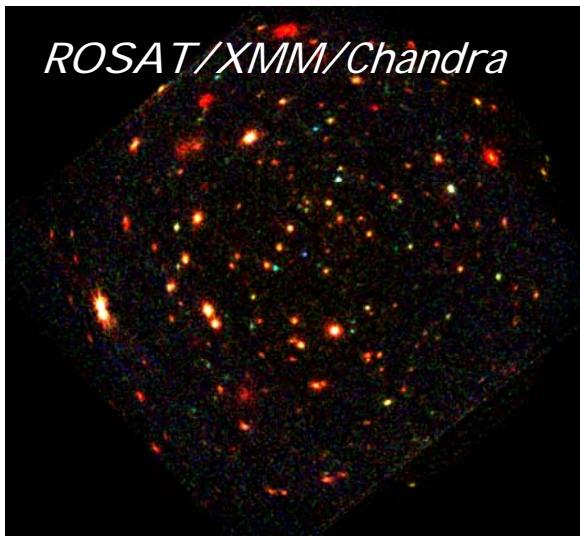
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# *Black Holes & Galaxy Formation*



Hasinger *et al.* 1999, 2002, Steidel *et al.* 1999,  
Bender und FORS Team 2002, Osmer 2003, Fan *et al.* 2002

# *Black Holes and Galaxy Formation*



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Bender und FORS Team 2002*

# *Nearby Black Holes as Ashes of the QSO Era*

$$\rho_{QSO} = \left( \int_0^{\infty} dz \int_0^{\infty} (dL \frac{dn(L,z)}{dL} L) \frac{dt}{dz} \right) / (\varepsilon c^2) \approx \frac{10^4}{\varepsilon} \text{ M}_\odot \text{ Mpc}^{-3}$$

$$\rho_{bulge,early} = 2 \times 10^8 \text{ M}_\odot \text{ Mpc}^{-3}$$

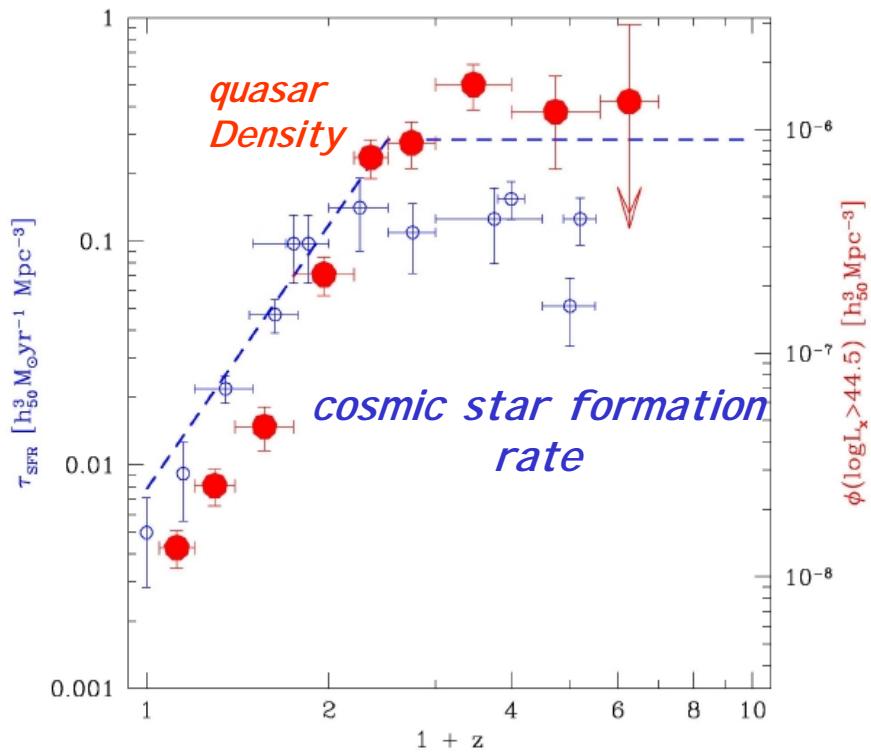
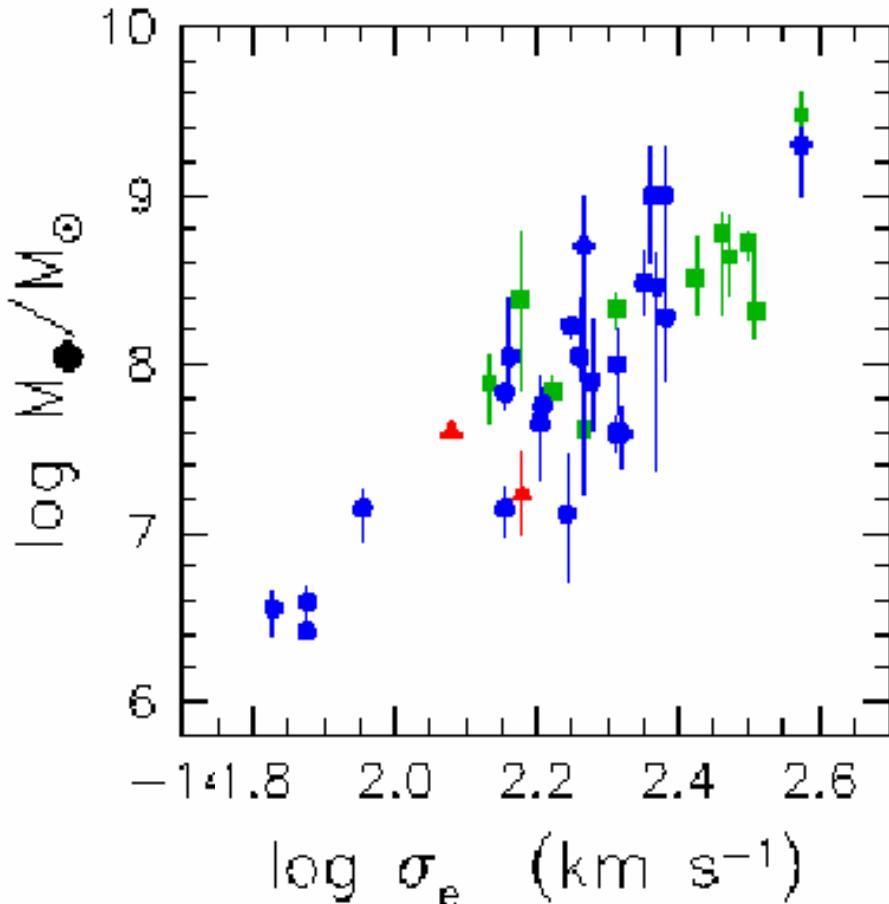
$$<\varepsilon_{accretion}> = 5 \times 10^{-5} \frac{\rho_{bulge}}{\rho_\bullet} \approx 5 \times 10^{-5} \times 600 \approx 3 \times 10^{-2}$$

$$\varepsilon_{\bullet, theoretical} \approx 0.1$$

*Gebhardt et al. 2000*

*e.g. Soltan et al. 1982, Yu & Tremaine 2002*

# *Black Holes and Galaxy formation*



*Magorrian et al. 1998, Kormendy and Ho 2000, Gebhardt et al. 2000,  
Merritt and Ferrarese 2000, Hasinger et al. 1999, Steidel et al. 1999*

NGC 6240 Chandra

# Formation of Quasars

*Springel 2001*

*Binary black hole: Komossa &  
Hasinger 2003*

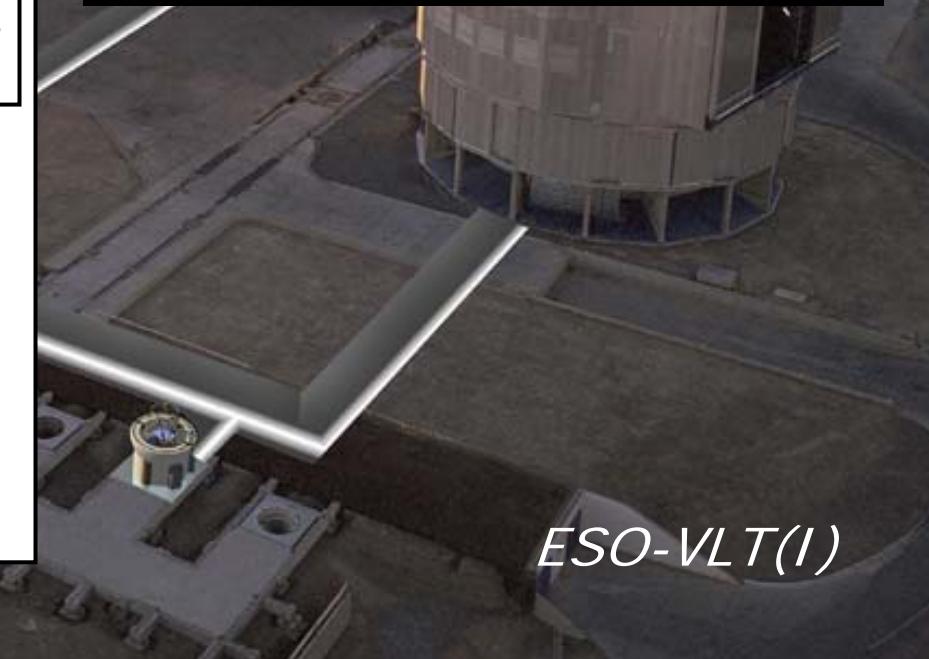
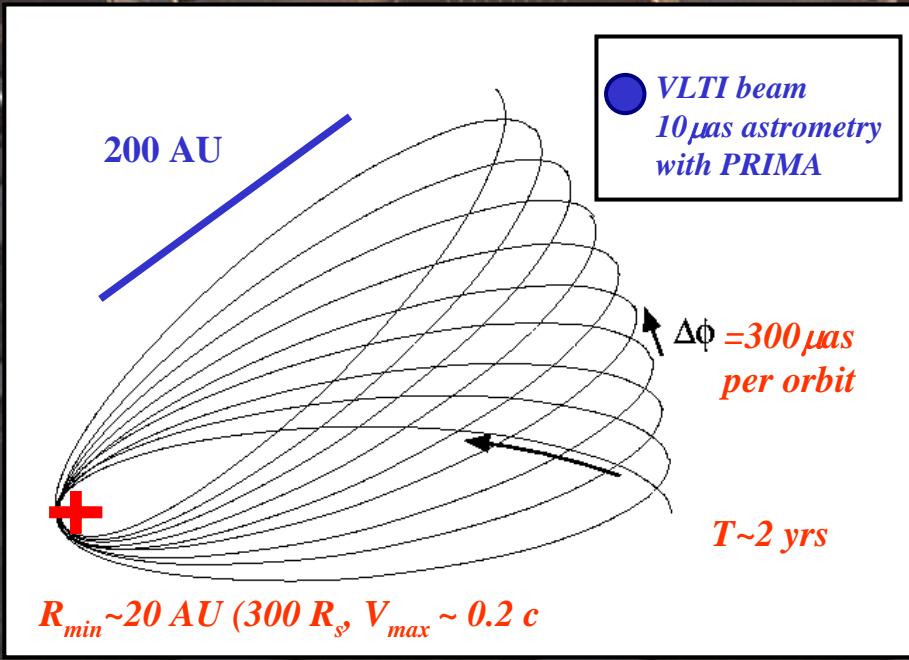
# *The future*



- interferometry: relativistic regime
- submm VLBI: detection of event horizon
- simultaneous radio to  $\gamma$ -emission : accretion flow
- TeV emission: dark matter spike?
- z~10 QSOs and galaxies

*ESO-VLTI*

*the future*



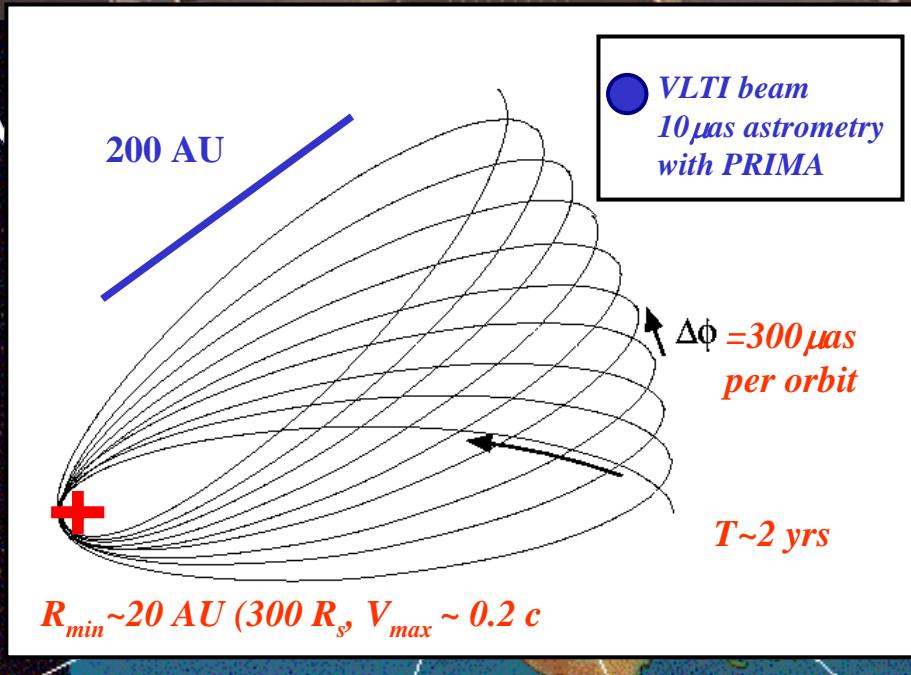
*ESO-VLT(I)*

*the future*

‘shadow’ of the Black Hole

## Episode II:

### *Into the Fray*



# *Galactic center summary*

- *SgrA\* is a ~3 million solar mass black hole, beyond any reasonable doubt*
- *mm/IR/X-ray emission from BH accretion zone: probably synchrotron/self-Compton emission*
- *QPOs offlares:  $a \geq 0.5$  ?*
- *detection of power-law stellar cusp around BH*
- *two disks of young massive stars formed ~5Myrs ago: cloud infall and star formation in accretion disk?*
- *cusp stars at < 22 light days : paradox of youth*