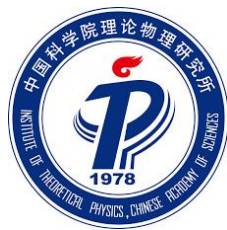


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Multi-Wavelength Probing of Primordial Black Holes as Dark Matter



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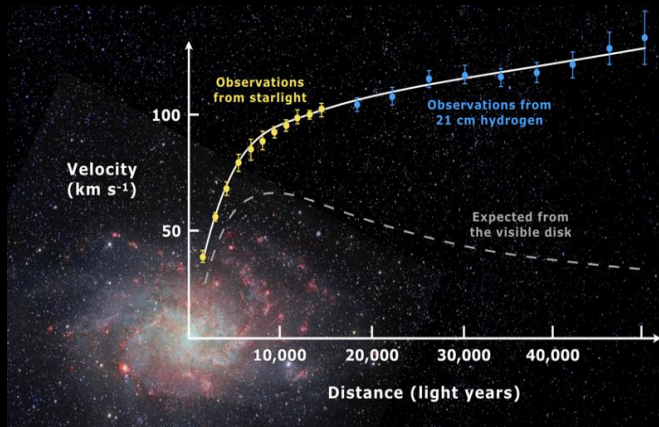
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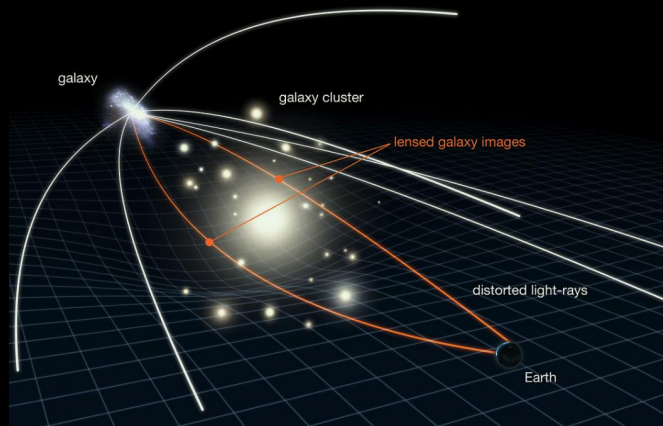
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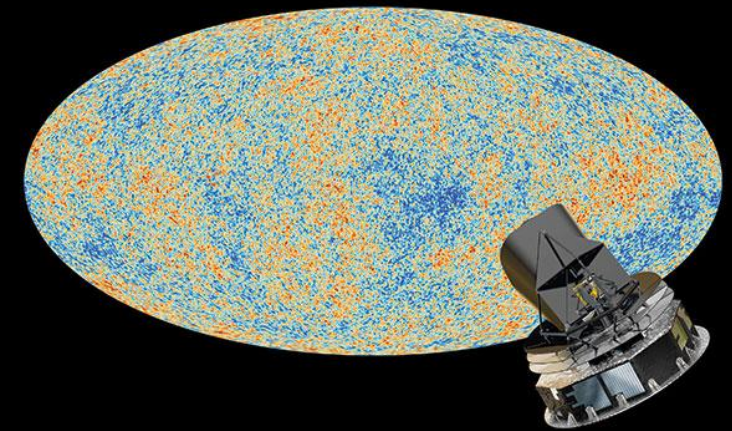


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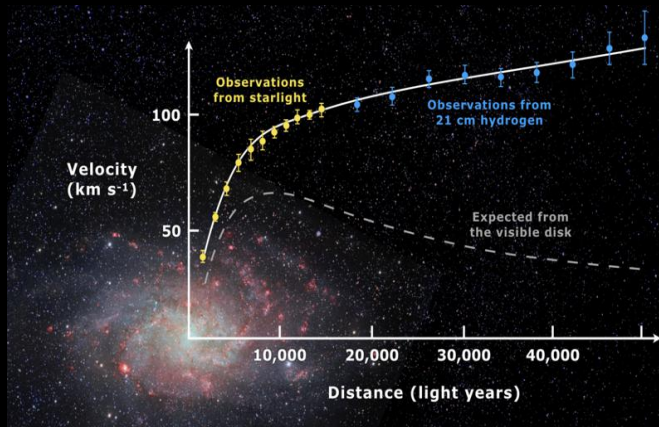


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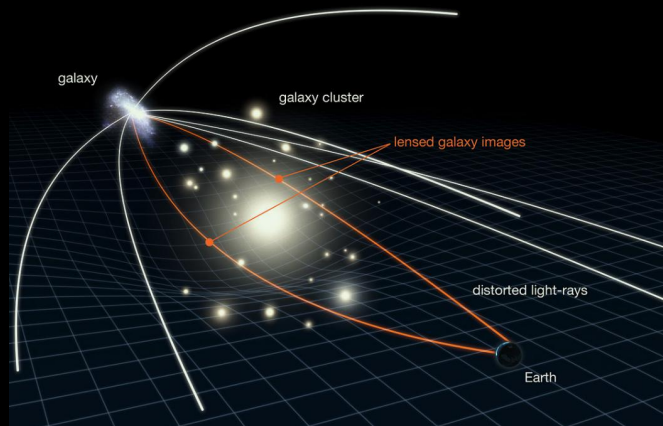
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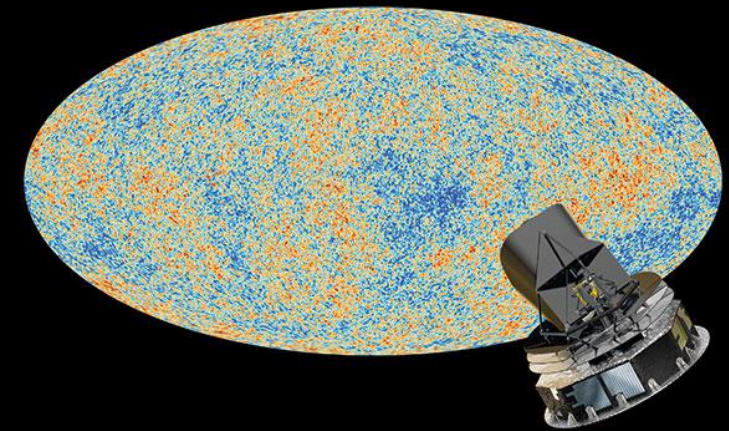


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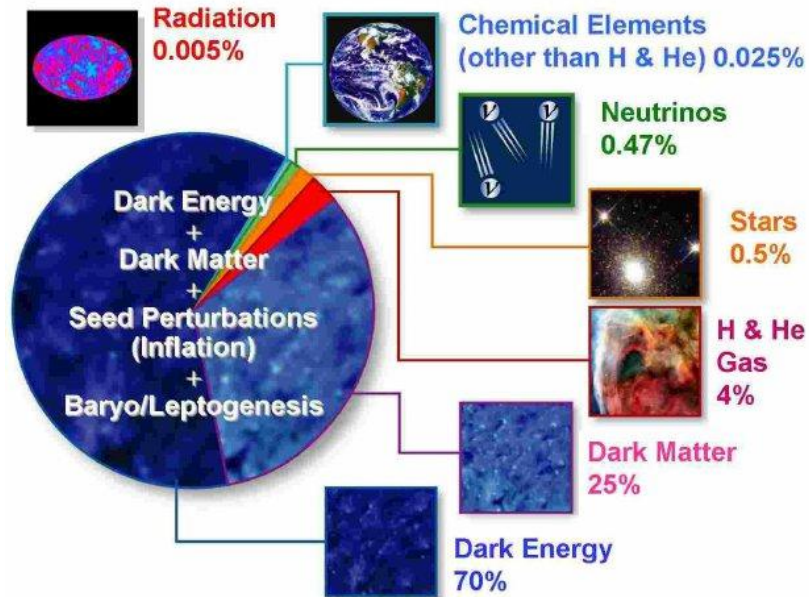
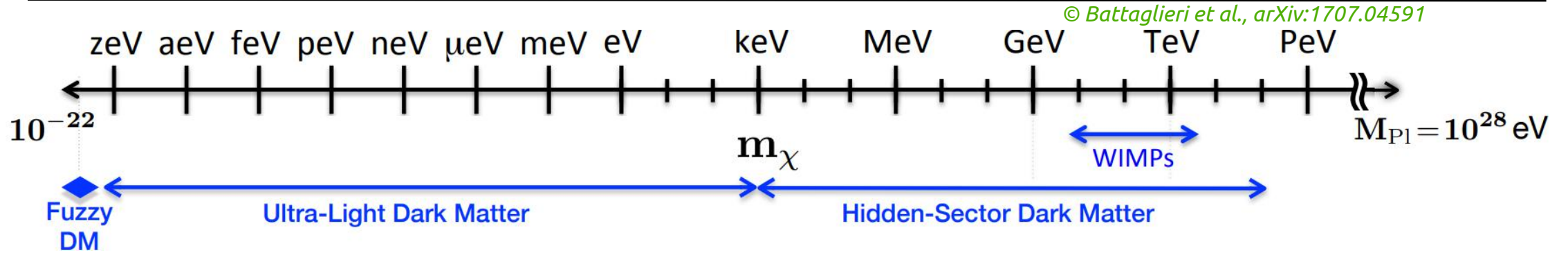
Long-lived

Mainly Cold

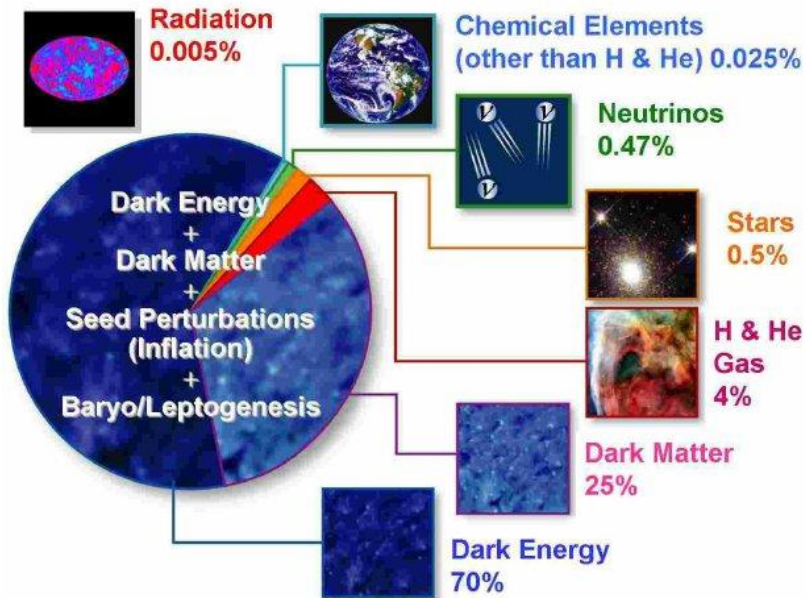
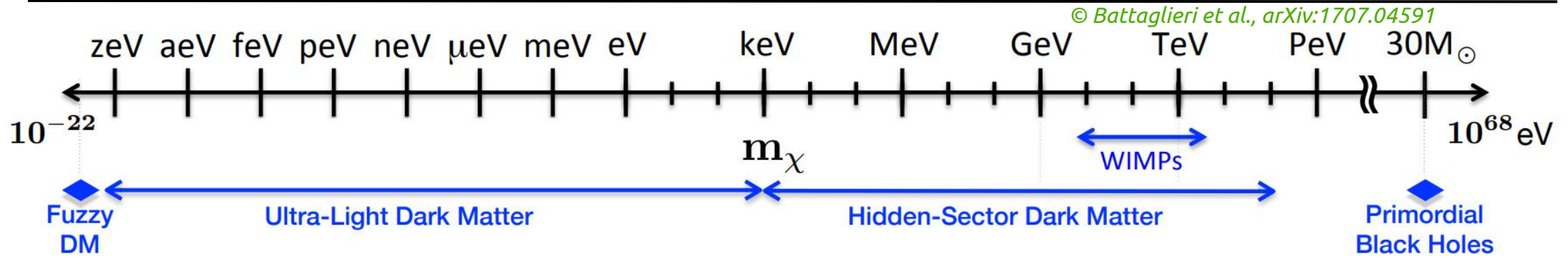
No EW charge

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Motivations of PBHs

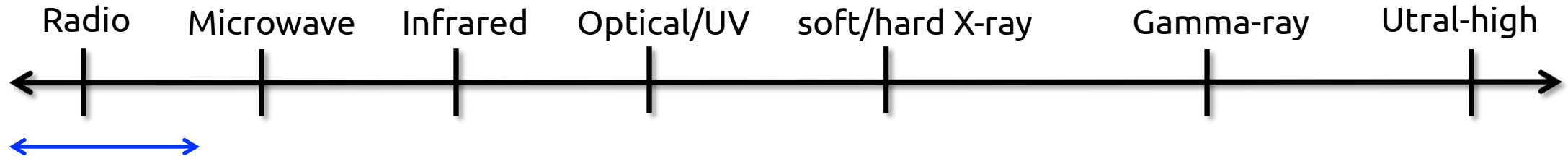


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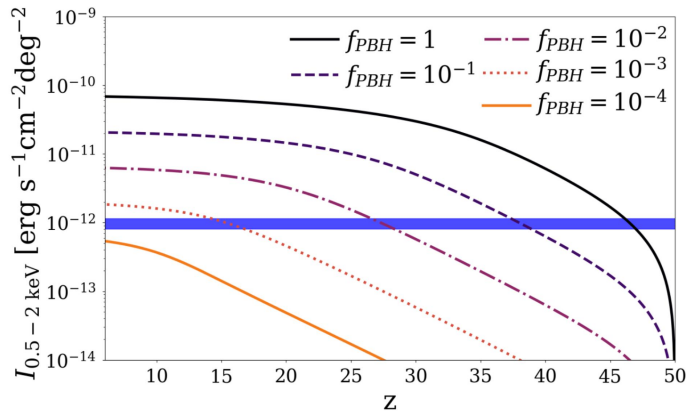
- Not rival against particle DM
- $M > 10^{15}$ g: non-baryonic and still exist
- Memory burden indicate new windows below $M < 10^{15}$ g
- non-relativistic and nearly collision-less
- **No new physics required!?**
- More available signals to observe: © Carr&Silk, 1801.00672
 - electromagnetic signals
 - neutrinos
 - gravitational waves

Multi-Wavelength detect PBHs



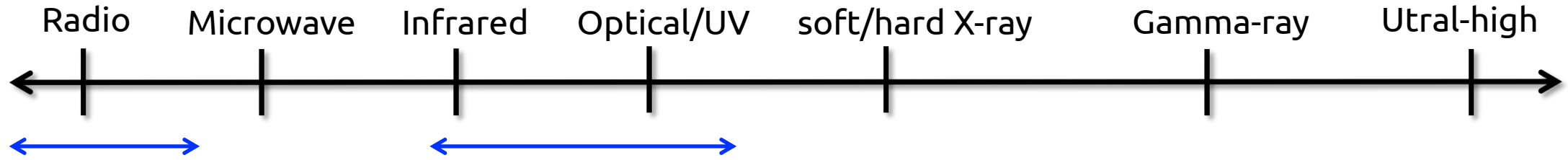
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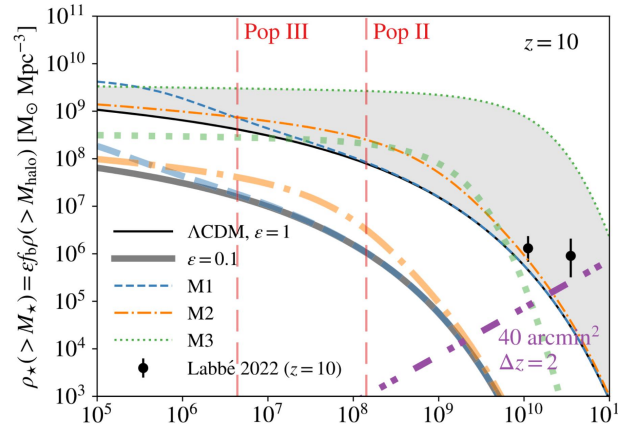


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Affect LSS evolution

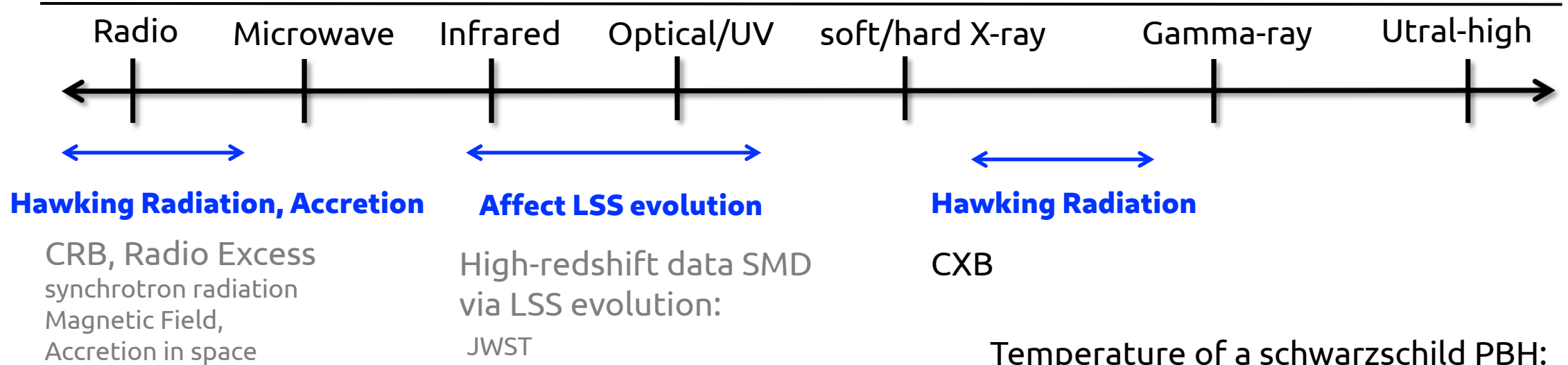
High-redshift data Stellar Mass
Density via LSS evolution:
JWST



Massive galaxy candidates can be explained with lower star formation efficiency than required in Λ CDM if structure formation is accelerated/seeded by $\geq 10^9$ solar mass PBHs that make up a small fraction 10^{-6} - 10^{-3} of dark matter.

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Multi-Wavelength detect PBHs



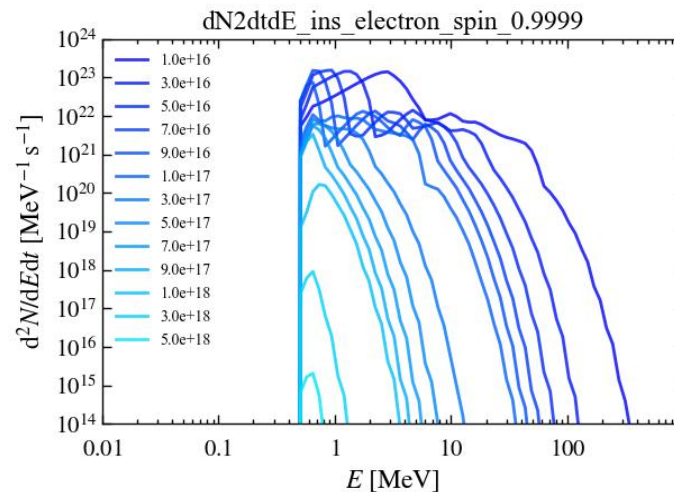
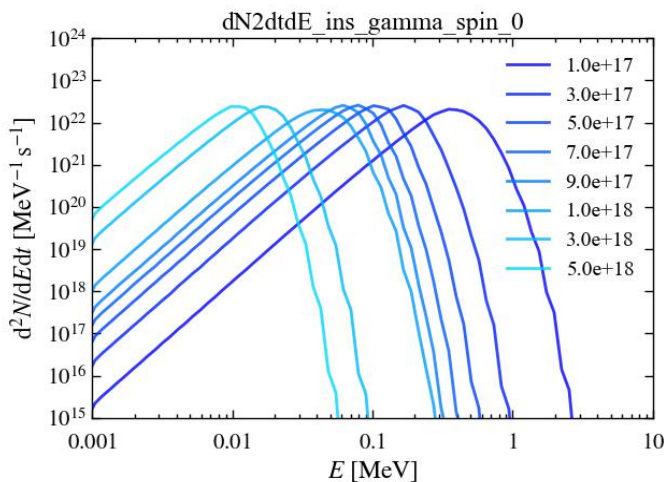
Temperature of a schwarzschild PBH:

$$T_{\text{PBH}} = \frac{M_P^2}{8\pi M_{\text{PBH}}} \approx \frac{(1.22 \times 10^{19} \text{ GeV})^2}{8\pi M_{\text{PBH}}}$$

Particle species emissions from PBH:

$$\frac{d^2 N}{dt dE} = \sum_{\text{dof.}} \frac{\Gamma_s(E, M, a^*)/2\pi}{e^{E'/T} \pm 1}$$

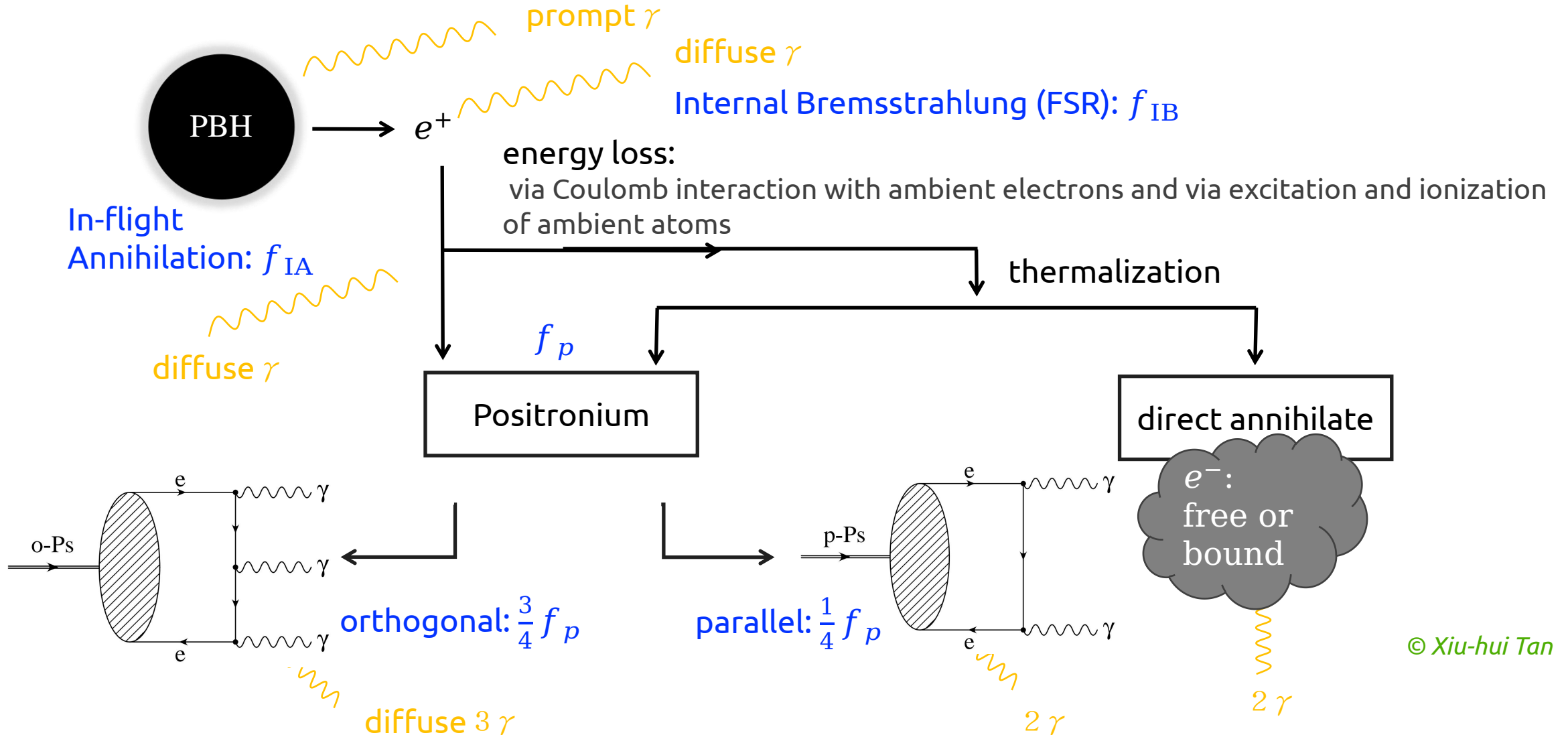
$$a_* \equiv J/GM_{\text{PBH}}^2 \in [0, 1]$$



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Probing with X/gamma rays

Photons from PBH:



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Probing with X/gamma rays

Photons from direct radiation:

$$\frac{dN_{\gamma}^{\text{dir}}}{dEdt} = \frac{dN_{\gamma}^{\text{prompt}}}{dEdt} + \frac{dN_{\gamma}^{\text{FSR}}}{dEdt} + \frac{dN_{\gamma}^{\text{dec}}}{dEdt}$$

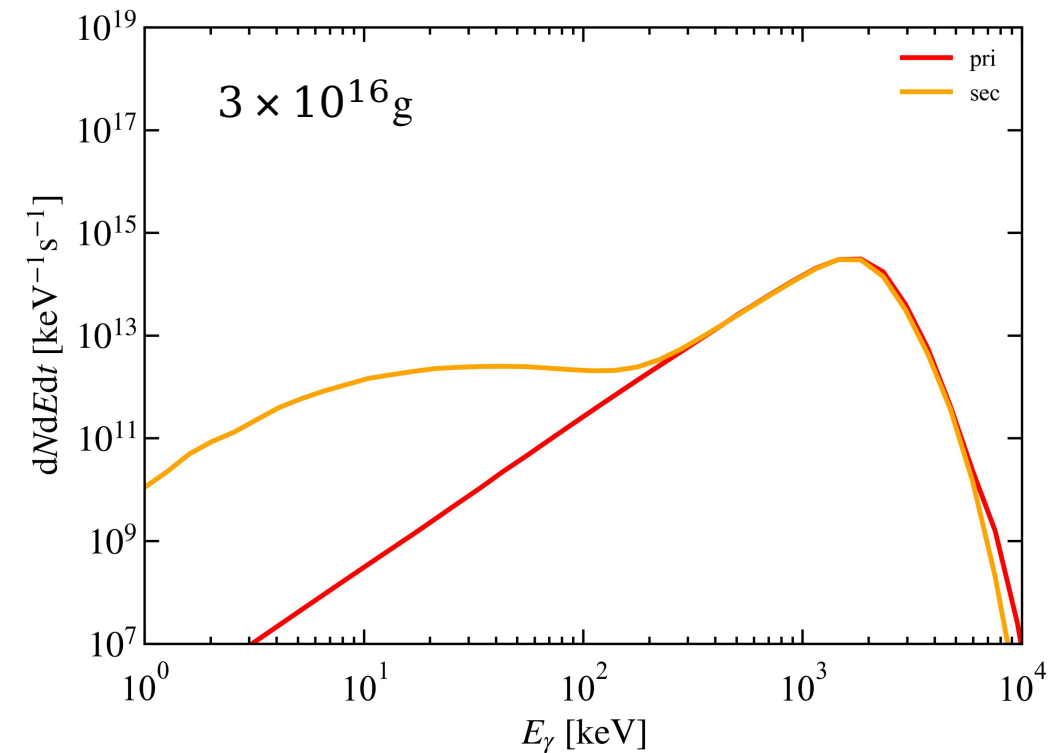
primary + secondary

Prompt radiation, comprising both primary and secondary emissions:

Secondary component arises from the disintegration of hadrons resulting from the fragmentation of primary quarks and gluons.

Under assumptions:

- Monochromatic mass distribution
- Schwarzschild PBH



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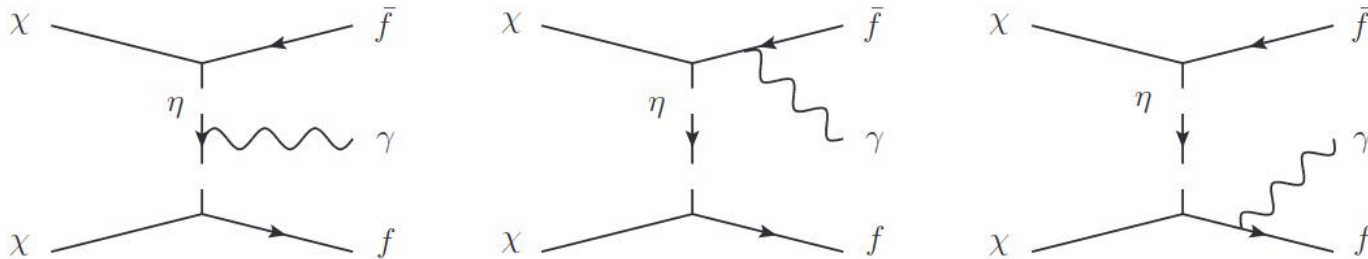
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primary + secondary
final state radiation

radiative decay of final state particles

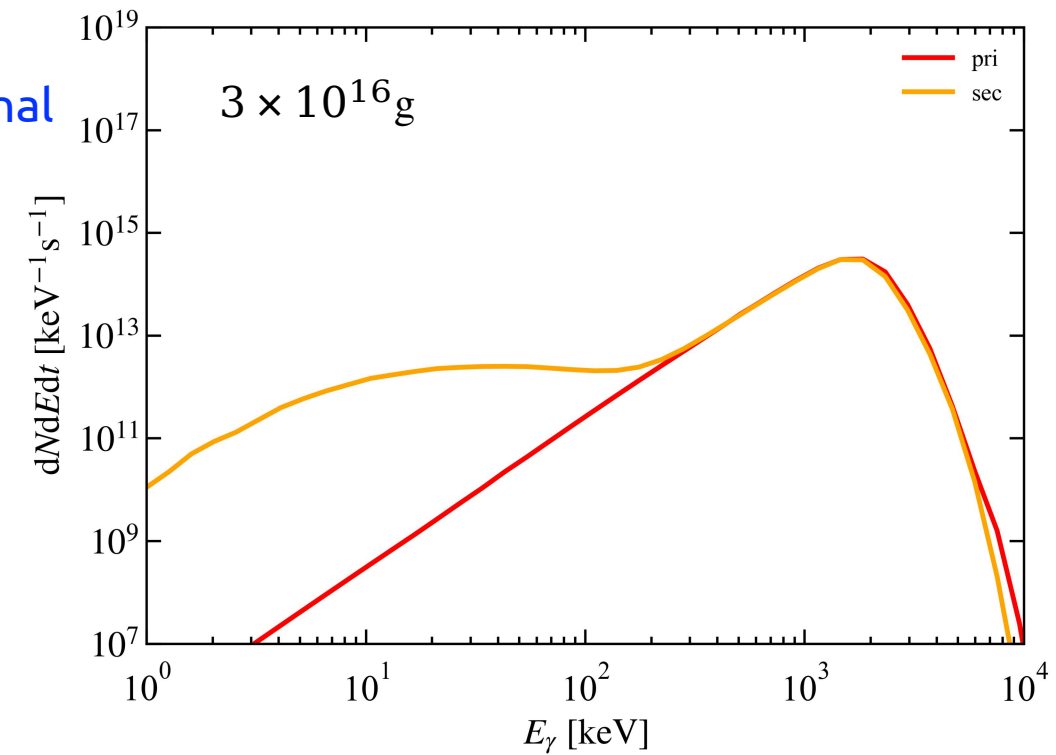
positron:

*internal bremsstrahlung (IB) spectrum =
virtual internal bremsstrahlung (VIB)+ final state radiation (FSR)*



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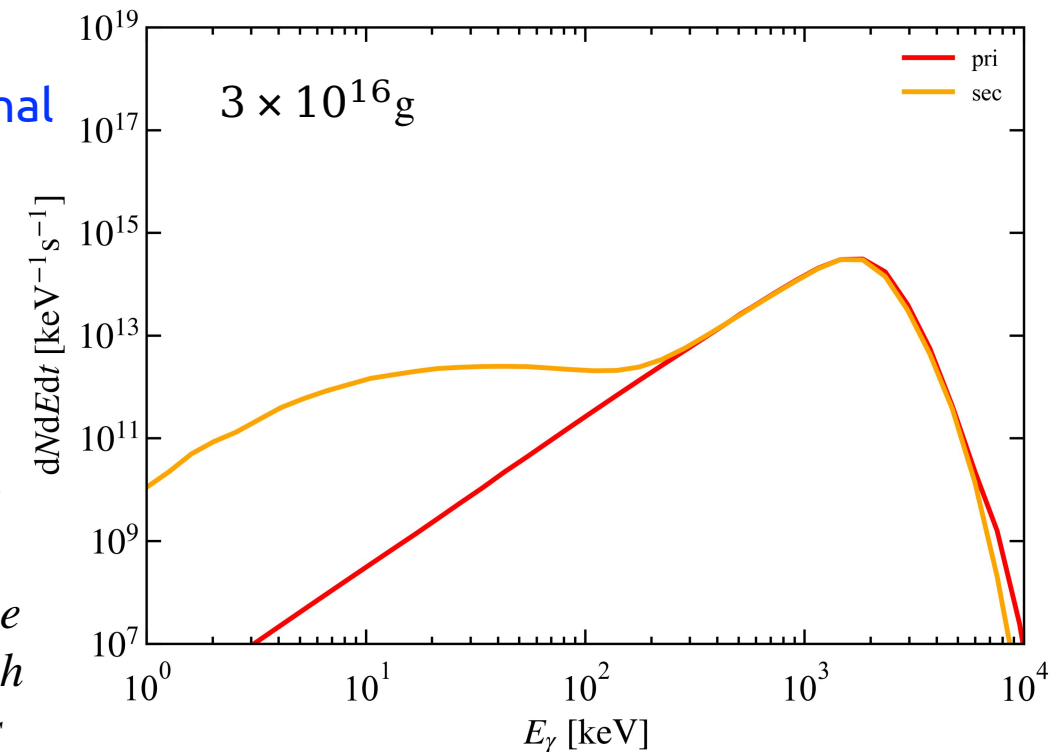
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*BSM particle interactions could also be implemented in the hadronization tables, and **low-energy processes such as inner Bremsstrahlung should be added**. Indeed, at MeV energies demonstrated that the **final state radiation of charged particles**, as implemented inside [Hazma](#), is not relevant for HR as BHs emit independent particles and not pairs of charged particles. Hence, the single vortex effect of inner Bremsstrahlung should dominate, which would be of particular interest for future MeV constraints on PBHs*

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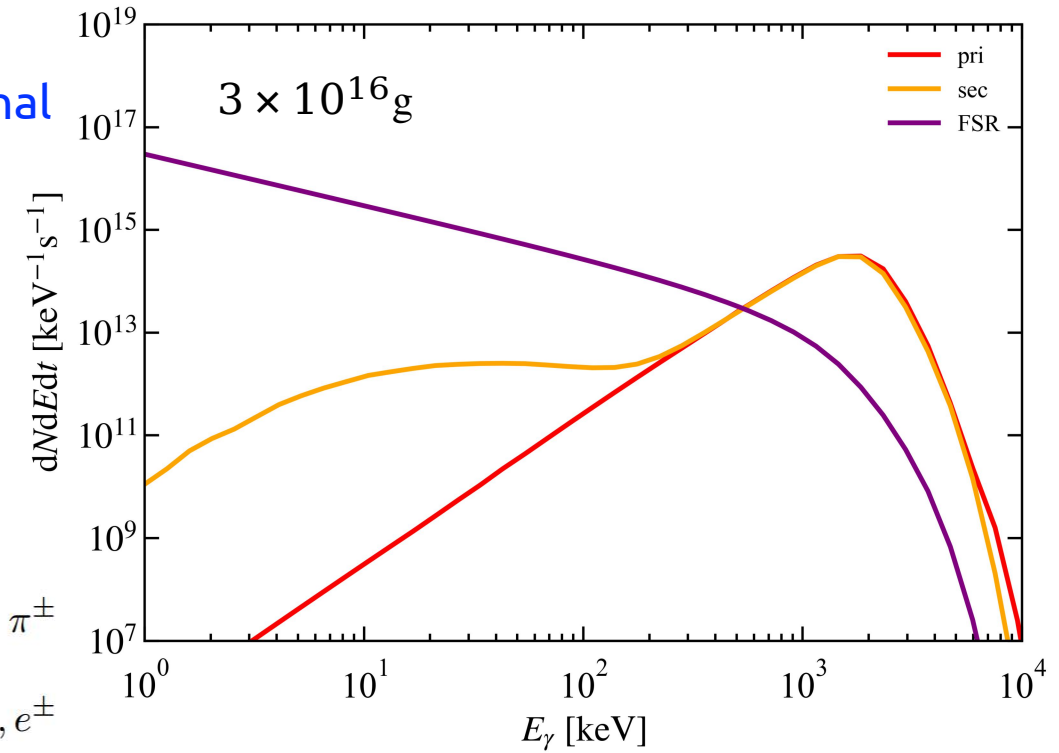
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$$\frac{dN_\gamma^{\text{FSR}}}{dEdt} + \frac{dN_\gamma^{\text{dec}}}{dEdt} = \sum_{i=e^\pm, \mu^\pm, \pi^\pm} \int dE_i \frac{dN_i^{\text{pri}}}{dEdt} \frac{dN_i^{\text{FSR}}}{dE} + \sum_{i=e^\pm, \pi^0, \pi^\pm} \int dE_i \frac{dN_i^{\text{pri}}}{dEdt} \frac{dN_i^{\text{dec}}}{dE},$$

$$\frac{dN_i^{\text{FSR}}}{dE_\gamma} = \frac{\alpha}{\pi Q_i} P_{i \rightarrow i\gamma}(x) \left[\log\left(\frac{1-x}{\mu_i^2}\right) - 1 \right], \quad P_{i \rightarrow i\gamma}(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{2(1-x)}{x}, & i = \pi^\pm \\ \frac{1+(1-x)^2}{x}, & i = \mu^\pm, e^\pm \end{cases}$$

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Photons from In-flight Annihilation:

$$\frac{dN_{\gamma}^{\text{IA}}}{dE_{\gamma}dt} = \frac{\pi\alpha^2 n_H}{m_e} \int_{m_e}^{\infty} dE_{e^+} \frac{dN_{e^+}}{dE_{e^+}dt} \times \int_{E_{\min}}^{E_{e^+}} \frac{dE}{dE/dx} \frac{P_{E_{e^+} \rightarrow E}}{(E^2 - m_e^2)}$$

$$\times \left(-2 - \frac{(E + m_e)(m_e^2(E + m_e) + E_{\gamma}^2(E + 3m_e) - E_{\gamma}(E + m_e)(E + 3m_e))}{E_{\gamma}^2(E - E_{\gamma} + m_e)^2} \right)$$

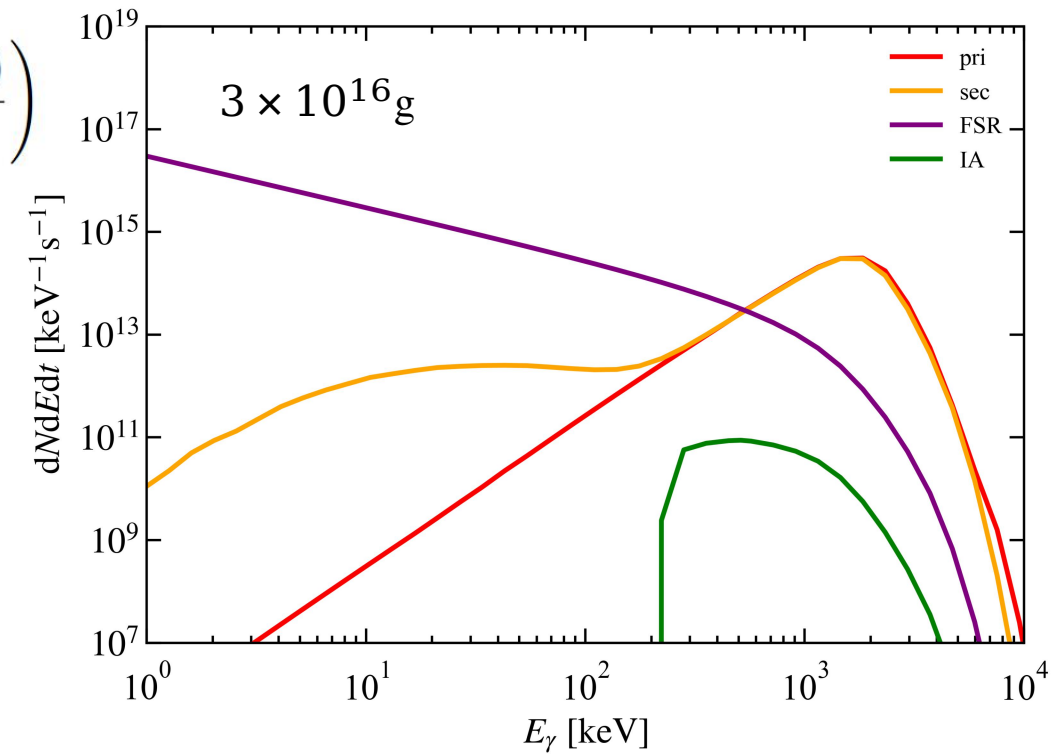
Relativistic positrons from PBH evaporation undergo in-flight annihilation with interstellar media, producing diffuse photon signals.

$$P_{E_{e^+} \rightarrow E} = \exp \left(-n_H \int_E^{E_{e^+}} dE' \frac{\sigma_{\text{ann}}(E')}{|dE'/dx|} \right) \rightarrow \text{Bethe-Block}$$

Only a small percentage of these positrons annihilate before becoming non-relativistic, then demonstrates the IA only contributes small X-ray emission.

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Probing with X/gamma rays

Photons from Positronium:

With Singlet state (25% probability) decays into **two 511 keV photons**.
Triplet state (orthopositronium, 75% probability) produces three-photon **continuum with total energy 1022 keV**.

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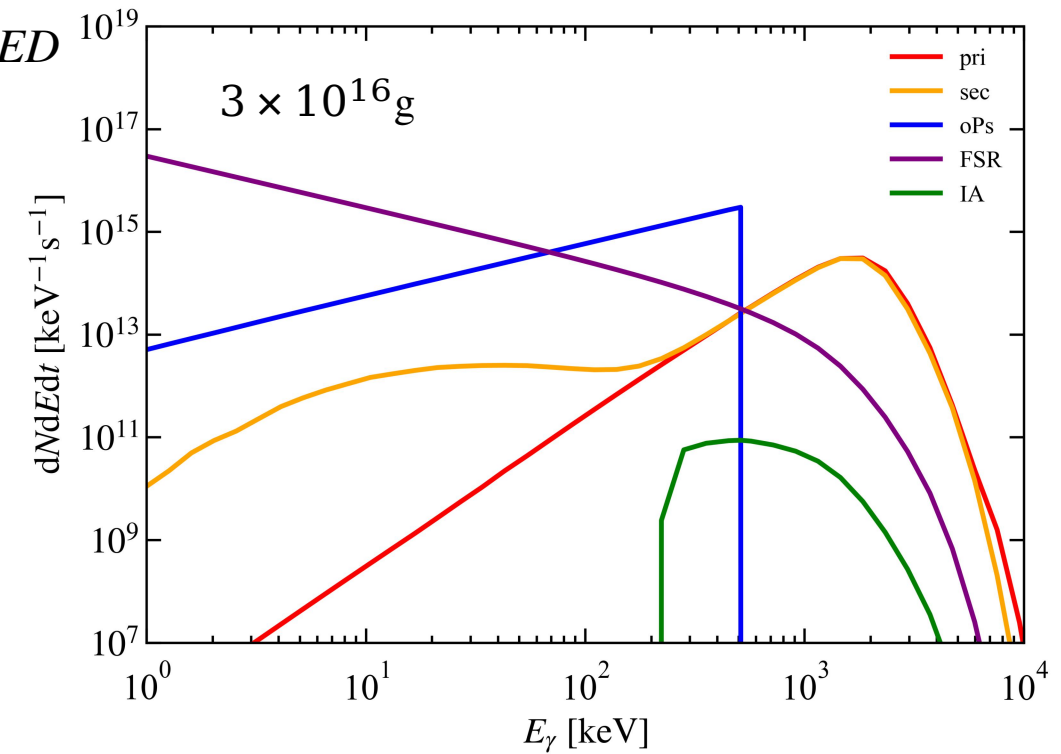
Ortho-parallel Positronium: Via Ore-Powell result for one-loop QED correction:

$$\frac{d\Gamma}{dx} = \frac{4m\alpha^6}{9\pi} \left[\frac{2-x}{x} + \frac{(1-x)x}{(2-x)^2} - \frac{2(1-x)^2 \log(1-x)}{(2-x)^3} + \frac{2(1-x) \log(1-x)}{x^2} \right]$$

$$\frac{dN_{\gamma}^{\text{oPs}}}{dE_{\gamma} dt} = \frac{d\Gamma}{dx} \int_{m_e}^{\infty} dE \frac{dN_e}{dE dt}$$

Parallel positronium: Generate line spectrum, which together with photons from electron/positron pair:

$$\frac{dN_{\gamma}^{511}}{dE_{\gamma} dt} = \frac{dN_e}{dE_e dt} \delta(E_e - m_e)$$



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Total photons from PBHs:

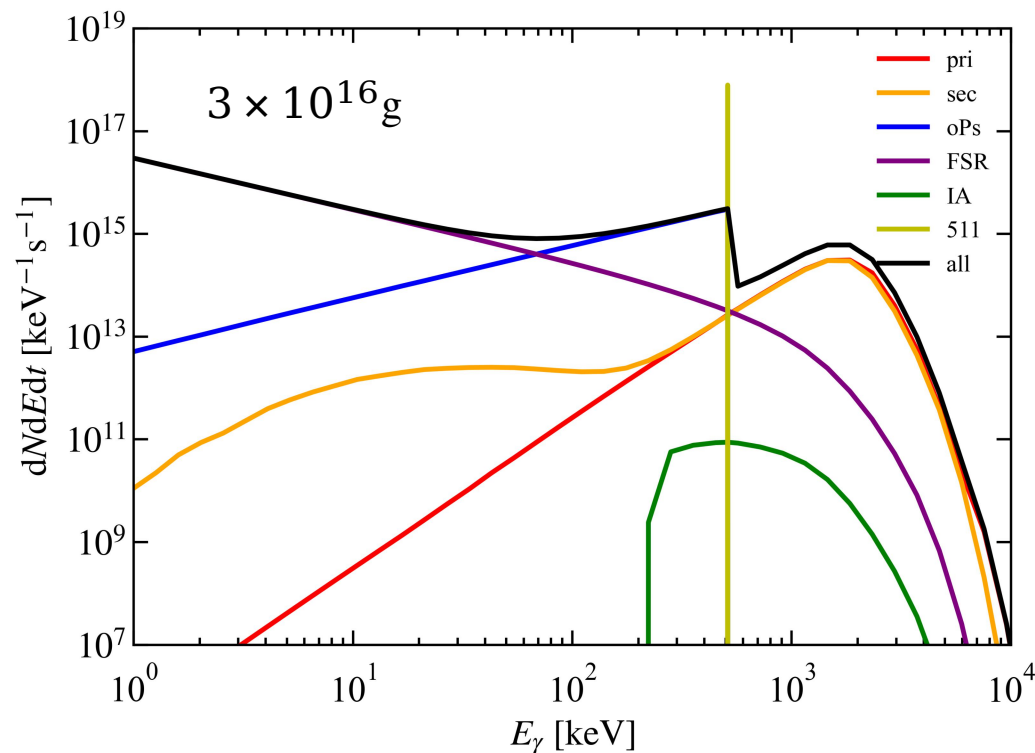
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Fraction for every emission:

$$\begin{aligned} f_{\text{IA}} &= 1 - P, \\ f_{\text{oPs}} &= 3 \times \frac{3}{4} P f_{\text{Ps}}, \\ f_{\text{IB/FSR}} &= \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{3}{4} f_{\text{Ps}} \right)^{-1}, \\ f_{511/\text{line}} &= 2 \times \left[P(1 - f_{\text{Ps}}) + \frac{1}{4} P f_{\text{Ps}} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

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Probing with X/gamma rays

Total theoretical diffuse emissions from PBHs:

$$\frac{d^2\phi^{\text{PBH}}}{dt dE d\Omega} = \frac{d^2\phi^{\text{GC}}}{dt dE d\Omega} + \frac{d^2\phi^{\text{EG}}}{dt dE d\Omega}$$

$$\frac{d^2\phi_{\gamma}^{\text{GC}}}{dt dE d\Omega} = \frac{f_{\text{PBH}}}{4\pi M_{\text{PBH}}} \left(\frac{d^2 N_{\gamma}^{\text{dir}}}{dE dt} \mathcal{D}(b, \ell) + \frac{d^2 N_{\gamma}^{\text{Ann}}}{dE dt} \mathcal{G}(b, \ell) \right)$$

$$\rho_{\text{NFW}}(r) = \rho_s \frac{r_s}{r} \left(1 + \frac{r}{r_s}\right)^{-2} \text{ with}$$

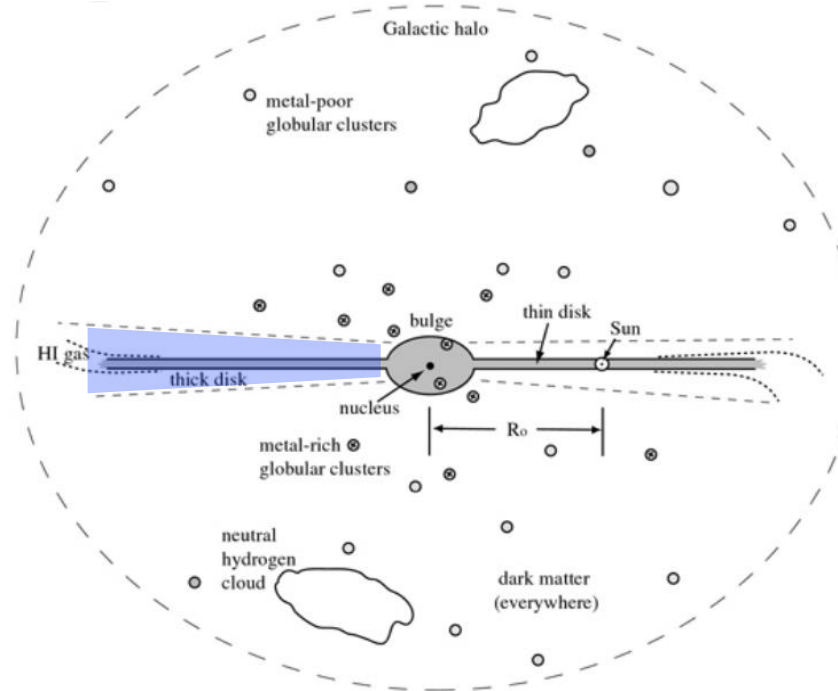
$$r_s = 9.98 \text{ kpc}, \rho_s = 2.2 \times 10^{-24} \text{ g cm}^{-3}$$

$$\rho_{\odot} = 0.3 \text{ GeV cm}^{-3}$$

$$r_{\odot} = 8.5 \text{ kpc}$$

$$\mathcal{D}(b, \ell) = \int_{\text{l.o.s}} ds \rho_{\text{NFW}}(s, r, \ell)$$

anti-Galactic Center



D factor for photon part;
G factor for electron part.
 Integral for line of sight
 along anti-Galactic Center
 with NFW profile to get
 diffuse emissions that can
 compare with data.

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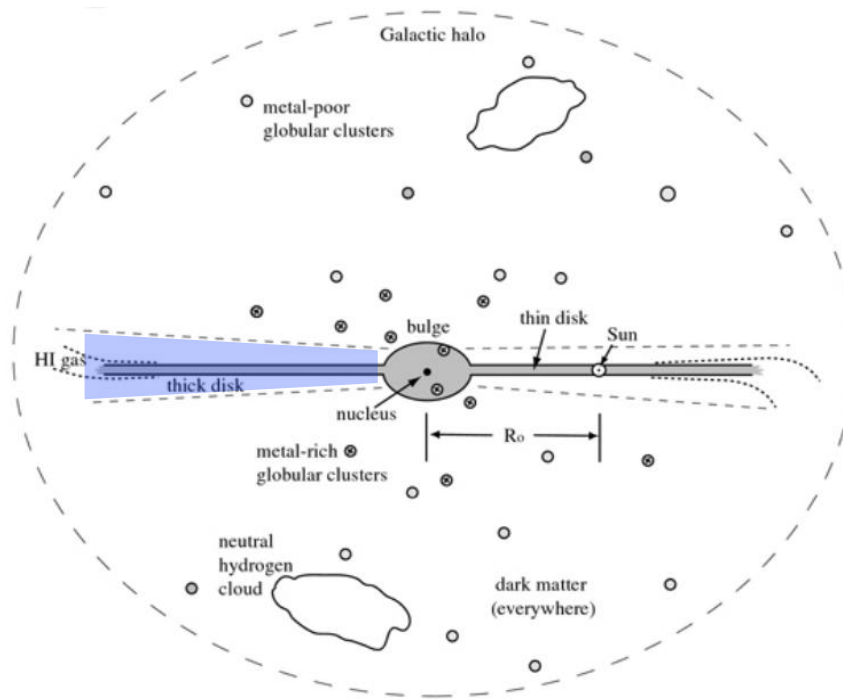
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In low- z environments with electron density $n_e \approx 10^{-6} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, the annihilation timescale exceeds the age of the universe.

Within DM halos where PBH-released positrons encounter much denser media, the process becomes efficient. Cosmological simulations indicate only halos above $M_{\text{min}} \approx 10^7\text{-}10^{11}$ solar mass can sustain baryonic collapse and galaxy formation.

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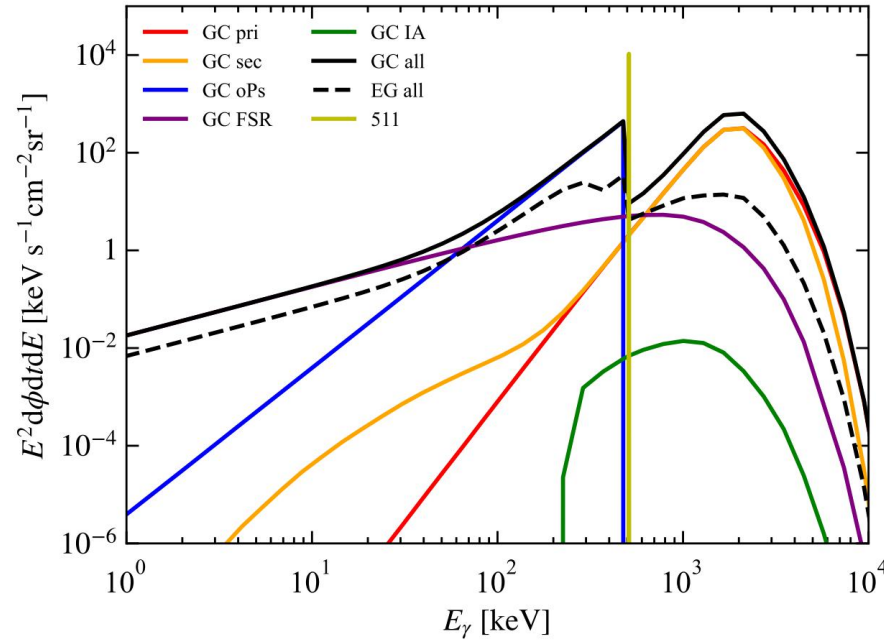
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The positron fraction $f_p = 0.967 \pm 0.022$ in Galactic ISM translates to $f_{\text{line}} \approx 0.55$ for the 511 keV line, with general bounds of $0.5 \leq f_{\text{line}} \leq 2$.

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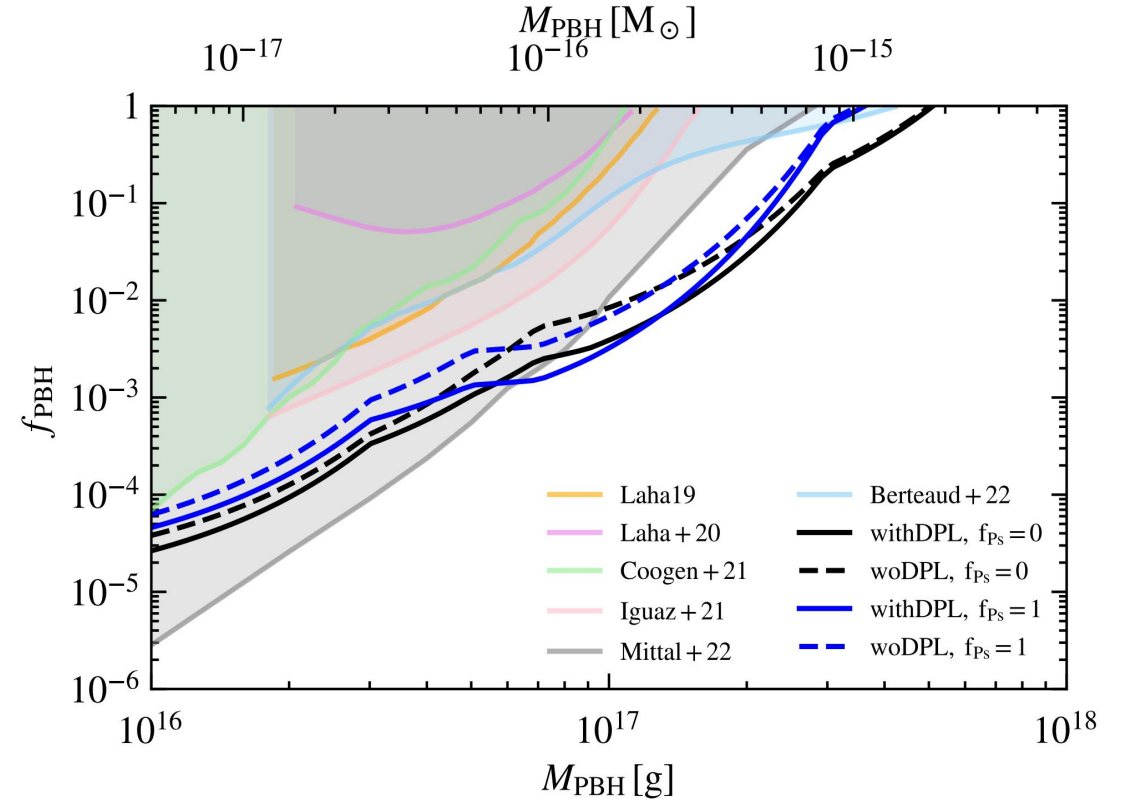
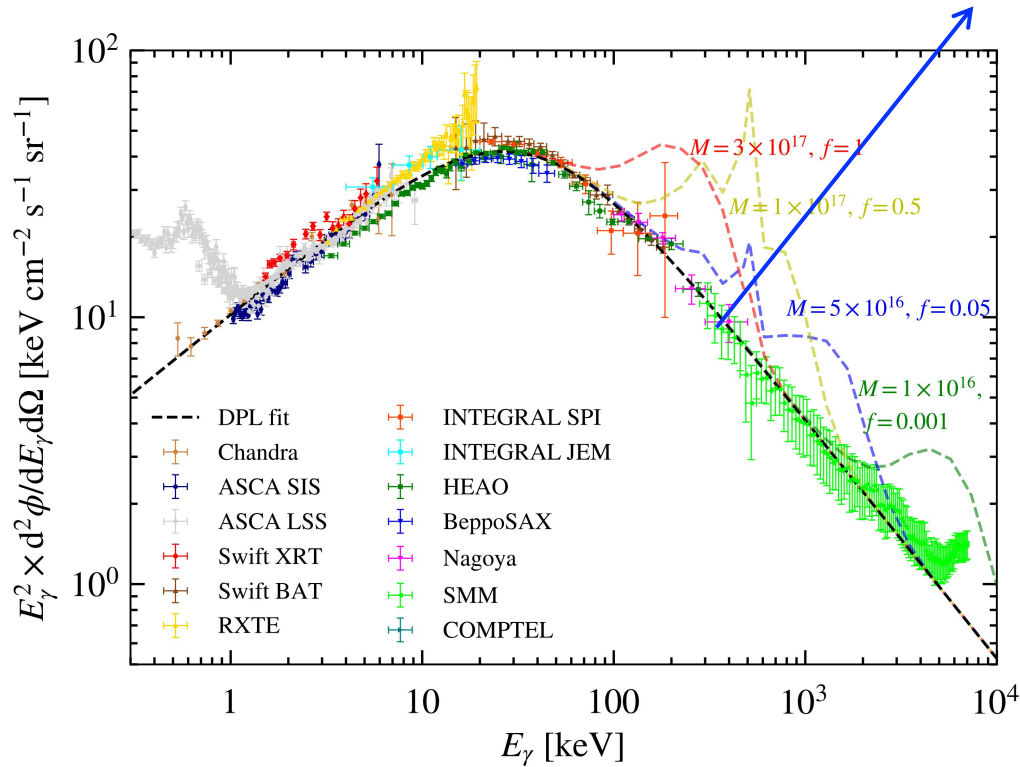
If DPL (double power-law) exists:

$$\chi^2 = \sum \left[\frac{\phi_{\gamma}^{\text{data}} - \phi_{\gamma}^{\text{PBH}}(\theta) - \phi_{\gamma}^{\text{AGN}}}{\sigma^{\text{data}}} \right]^2$$

$$\frac{\phi^{\text{AGN}}}{dEdt} = \frac{A}{(E/E_b)^{n_1} + (E/E_b)^{n_2}}$$

from the SMM, Nagoya, and HEAO

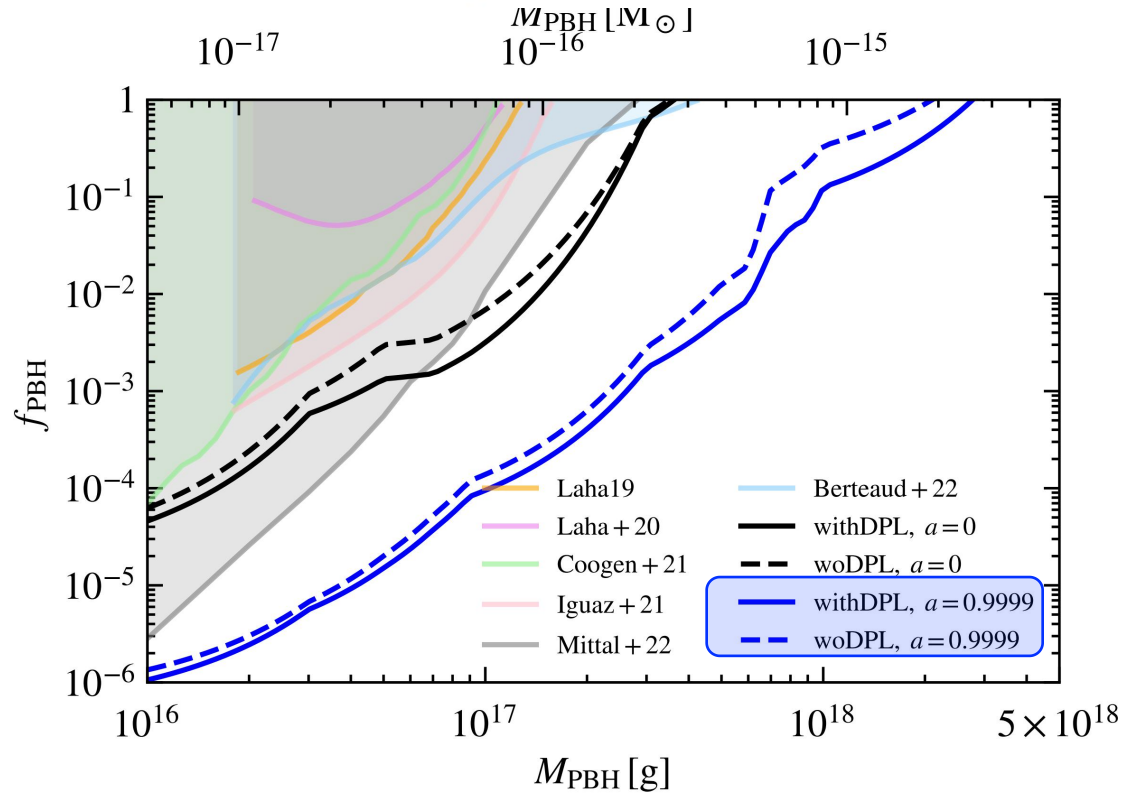
$$\begin{aligned} E_b &= 35.6966 \text{ keV} \\ n_1 &= 1.4199 \\ n_2 &= 2.8956 \\ A &= 0.0642 \text{ keV}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1} \text{cm}^{-2} \text{sr}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$



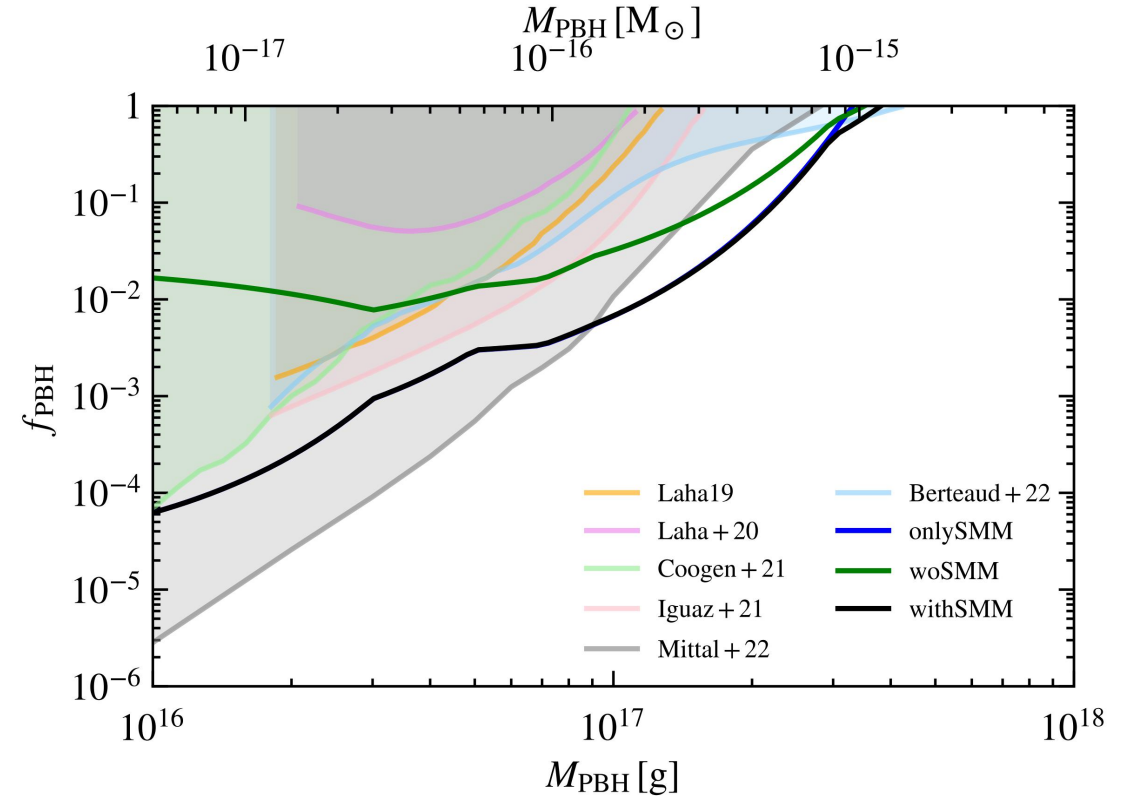
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If PBH spins:

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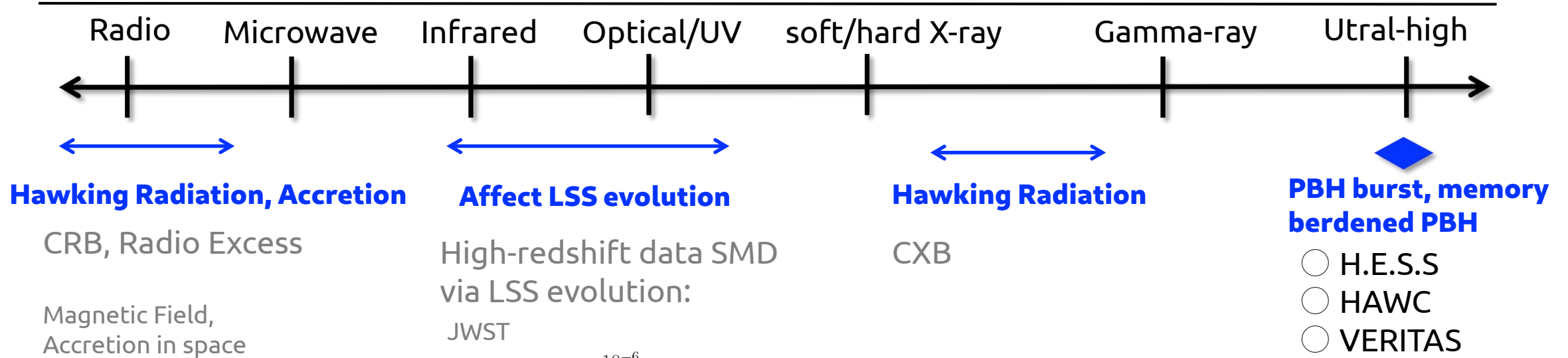


Additionally, as mentioned in [Korwar & Profumo \(2023\)](#), the error bars from the SMM measurement of the isotropic X-ray flux are suspected to be unreliable. Hence, high energy could effect the bounds at low masses.

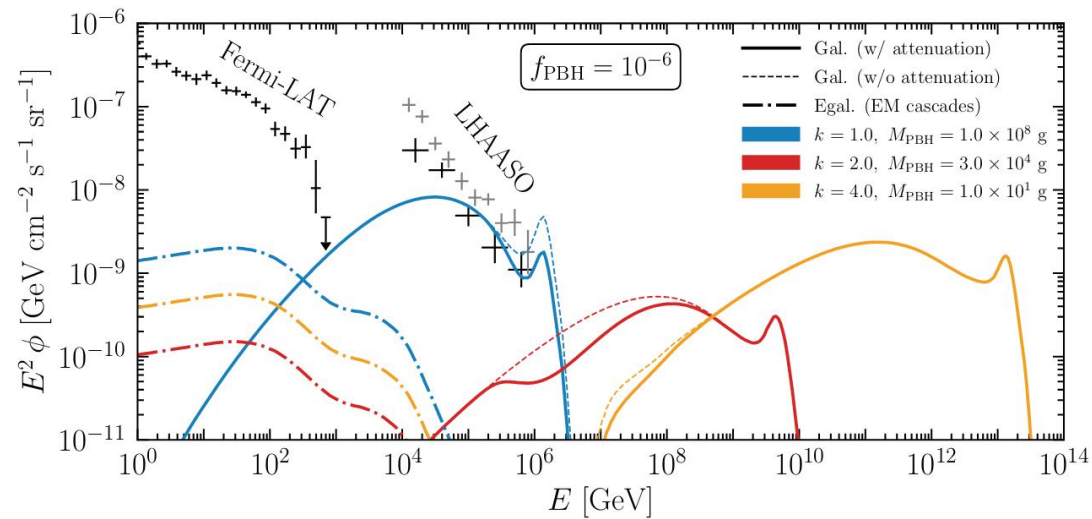


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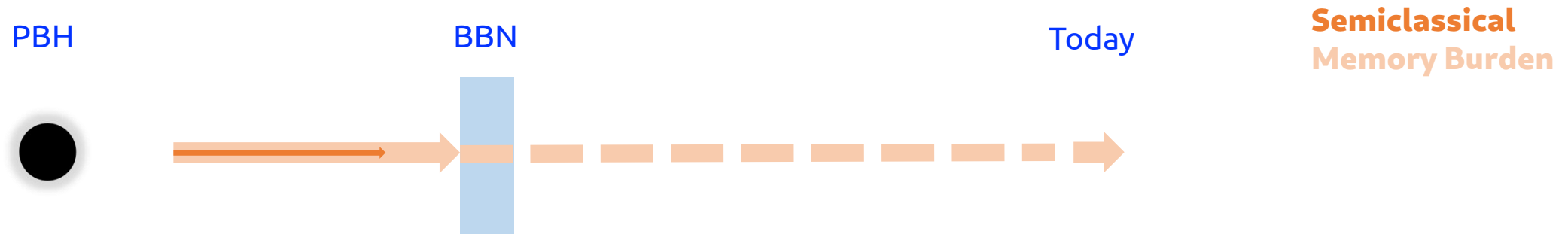
Diffuse gamma-ray flux. The different colors correspond to different combinations of the initial PBH mass and the memory-burden parameter k (non-negative integer decay rate entropy), taking fraction is 10^{-6} .



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Probing PBHs with galaxy clusters

Memory burdend PBHs: *Information loaded in a system resists its decay.*



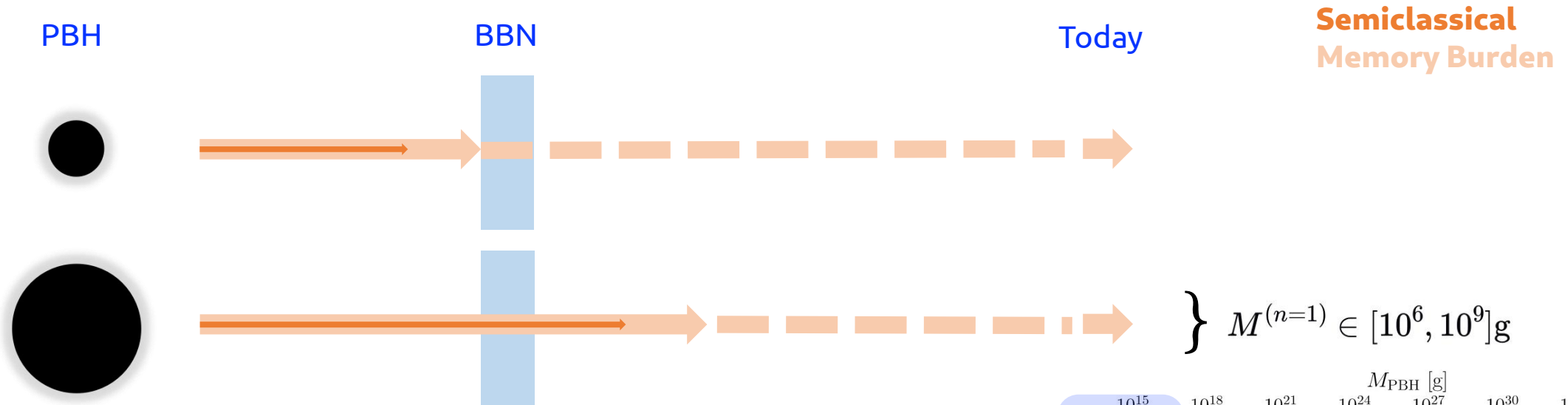
Inside the object, the information is stored in the excitations of gapless modes. At the same time, the asymptotic modes are highly gapped. Due to this, information is maintained internally. This create a back-reaction which resists against the decay of the object.

This gives us a concrete microscopic explanation for why black holes can't just release all their information early in the Hawking evaporation process.

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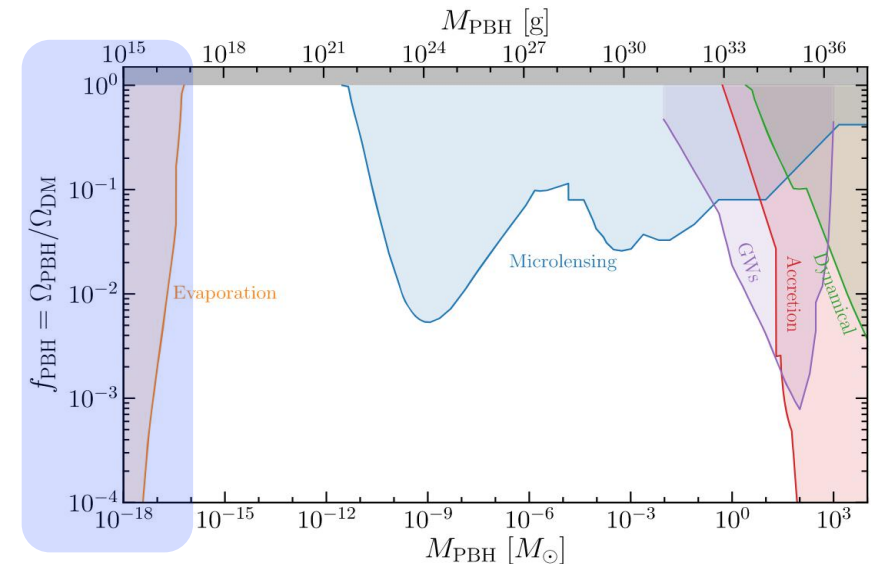
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$$\left. \vphantom{\int} \right\} M^{(n=1)} \in [10^6, 10^9]g$$

For PBHs in certain mass ranges that don't mess with big bang nucleosynthesis, this memory burden effect means they might not fully evaporate. They could survive as remnants until today, while heavier PBHs keep on evaporating.

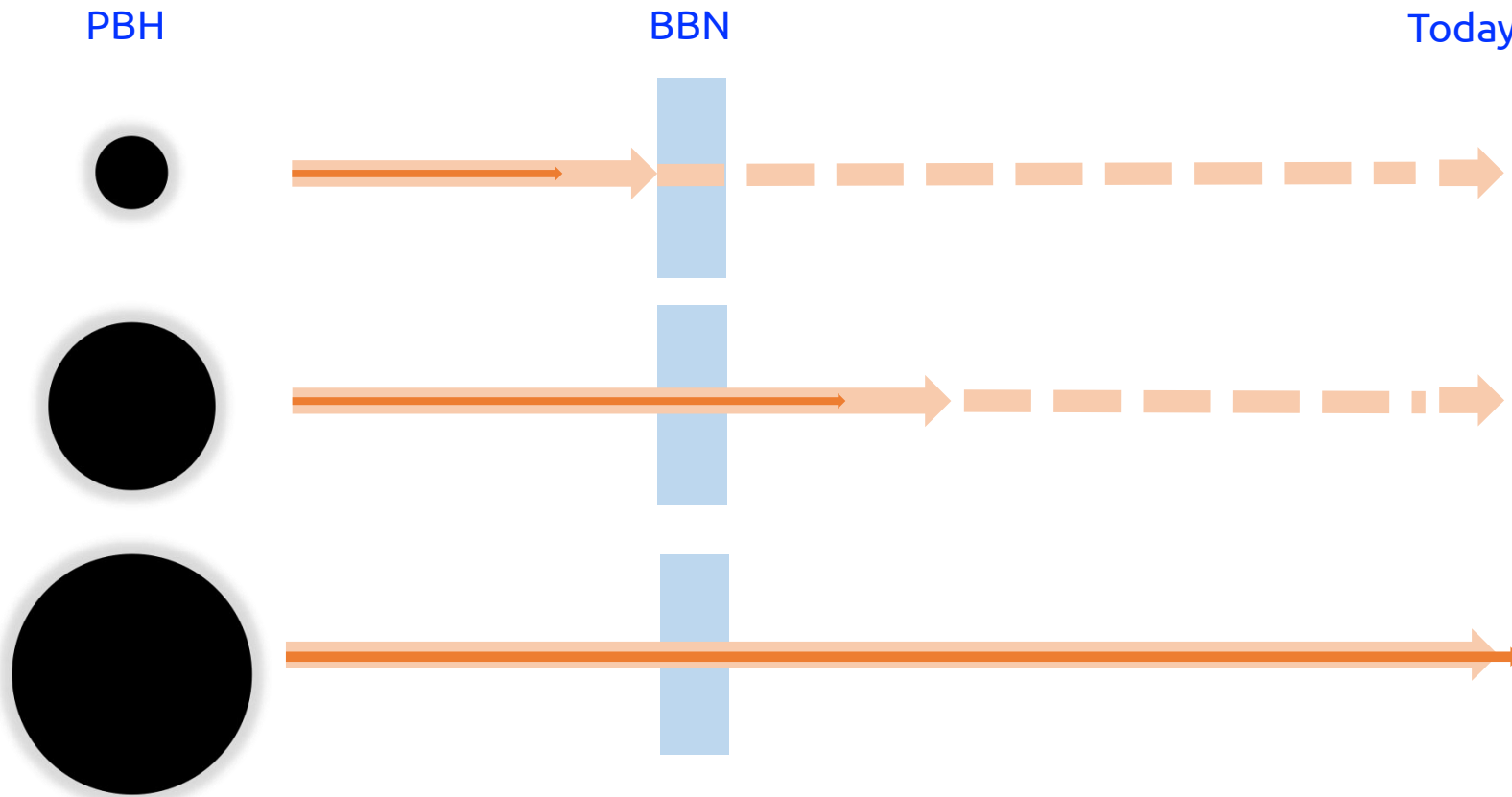
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**Semiclassical
Memory Burden**



$$\left. \begin{aligned} M^{(n=1)} &\in [10^6, 10^9] \text{g} \\ M_{\text{PBH}}^{\text{mb}} &= q M_{\text{PBH}} \end{aligned} \right\}$$

The effect kicks in when the PBH has lost about half its original mass.

$$t_q = \tau_{\text{PBH}}(1 - q^3) \simeq 4.4 \times 10^{17} \left(\frac{M_{\text{PBH}}}{10^{15} \text{ g}} \right)^3 \text{ s}$$

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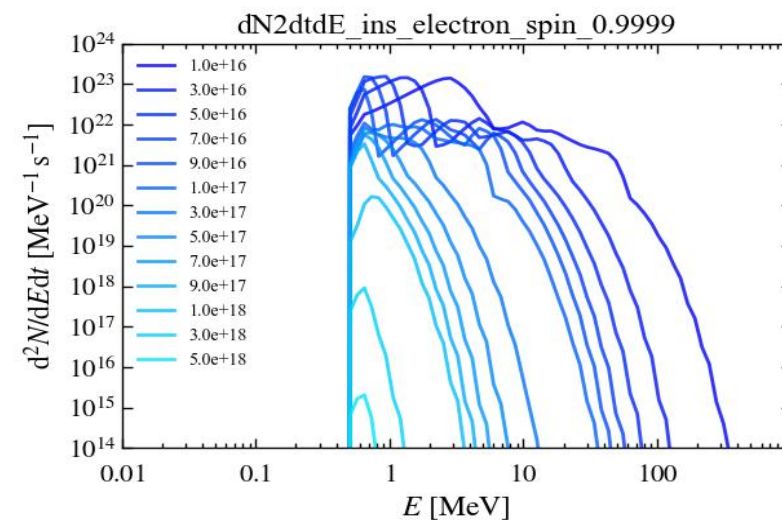
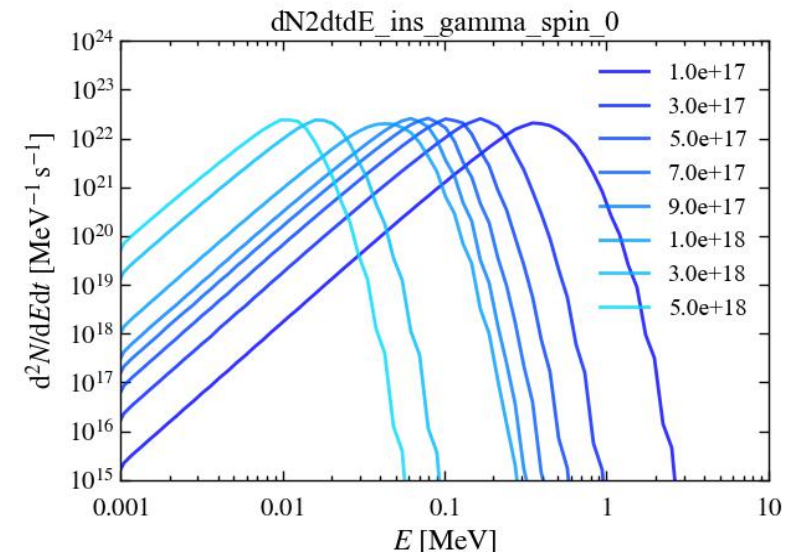
$$S(M_{\text{PBH}}) = \frac{4\pi M_{\text{PBH}}^2 G k_B}{\hbar c} \approx 2.6 \times 10^{10} k_B \left(\frac{M_{\text{PBH}}}{1 \text{ g}} \right)^2$$

$$M_{\text{PBH}}^{\text{mb}} = q M_{\text{PBH}}$$

$$\frac{dM_{\text{PBH}}^{\text{mb}}}{dt} = \frac{1}{S(M_{\text{PBH}})^k} \frac{dM_{\text{PBH}}}{dt}, k > 0$$

$$\frac{d^2 N_{\gamma}^{\text{mb}}}{dE dt} = S(M_{\text{PBH}})^{-k} \frac{d^2 N_{\gamma}}{dE dt} \longrightarrow$$

The memory burden suppresses particle production by a factor of S^{-k} , where S is the entropy. This actually helps us detect high-energy photons from even very light PBHs.

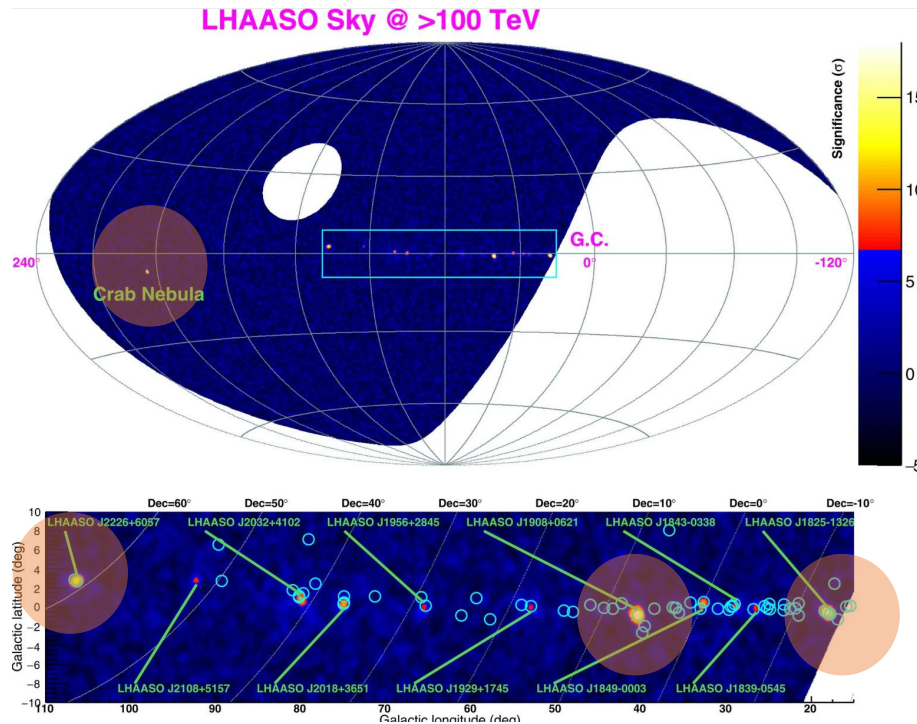


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The emissions from memory burdend PBHs for GS:

$$\frac{d^2\phi_\gamma^{\text{GS}}}{dE_\gamma dt} = \frac{f_{\text{PBH}}}{4\pi M_{\text{PBH}}^{\text{mb}}} \frac{d^2 N_\gamma^{\text{mb}}}{dE dt} \mathcal{D}(E_\gamma, \Delta\Omega).$$

$$\mathcal{D}(E_\gamma, \Delta\Omega) = \frac{1}{\Delta\Omega} \int_{\text{ROI}} d\Omega \int_{\text{l.o.s}} ds \rho_{\text{DM}}(r) e^{-\tau_{\gamma\gamma}(E_\gamma, s, b, \ell)}$$



GS (Galactic Sources):

Crab Nebula

LHAASO J226+6057

LHAASO J1908+0621

LHAASO J1825-1326

Galactic Center where DM is concentrated. If PBHs are the DM, lots of small PBHs would be along our line of sight. PBH contributes when integrate along this direction.

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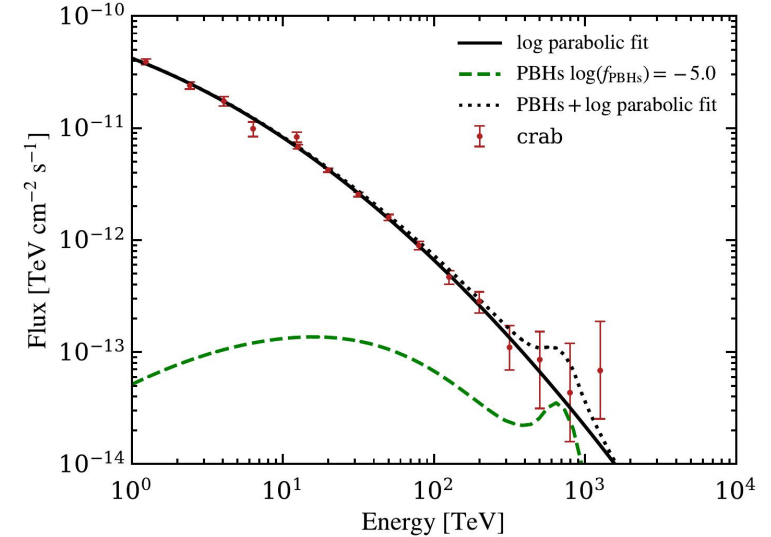
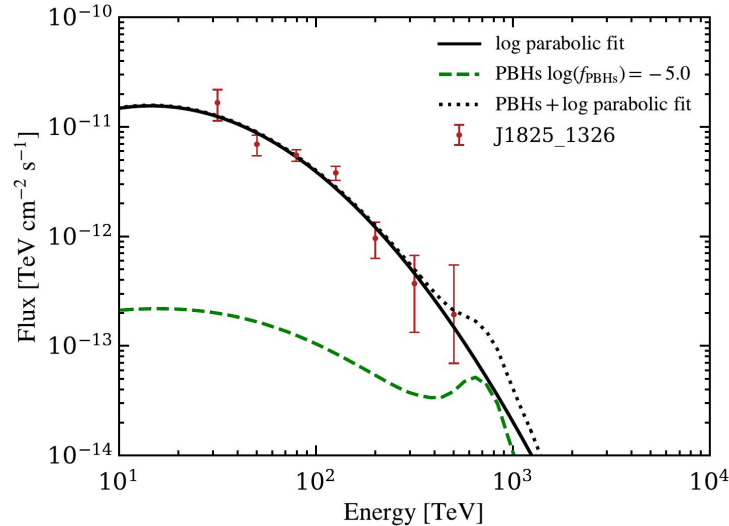
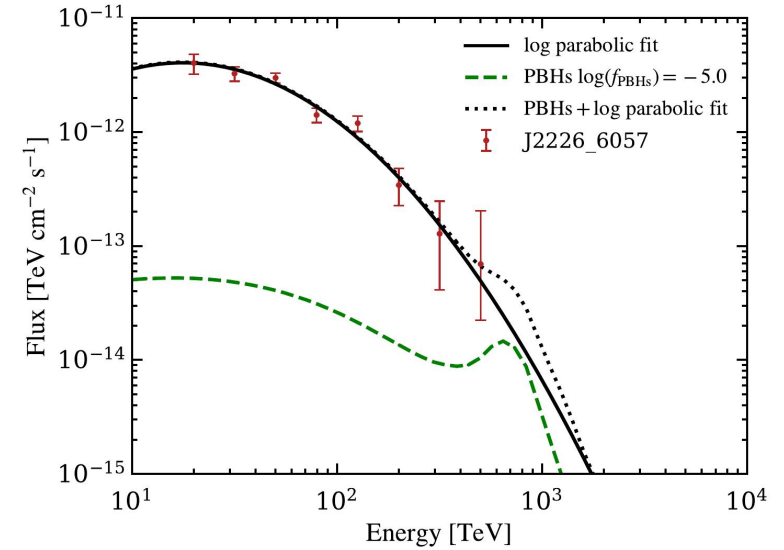
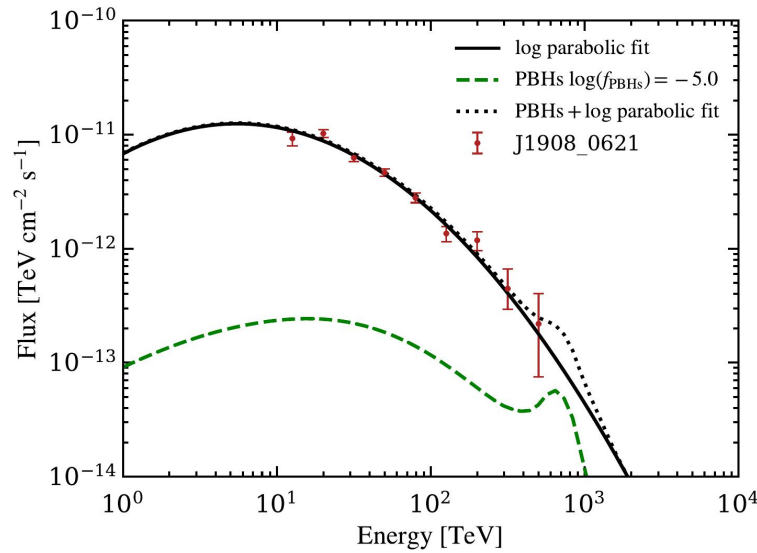
With IC spectrum:

Expected Inverse-Compton (IC) emission spectrum from accelerated electrons within a magnetized nebula. This spectrum is described by a log-parabolic function.

$$\frac{d\phi_{\gamma}^{\text{IC}}}{dE_{\gamma}} = F_0 \left(\frac{E}{E_0} \right)^{-a-b \log(E/E_0)}$$

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i,j} \left[\frac{\phi_{i,j}^{\text{predict}}(\theta) - \phi_{i,j}^{\text{data}}}{\sigma_{i,j}^{\text{data}}} \right]^2$$

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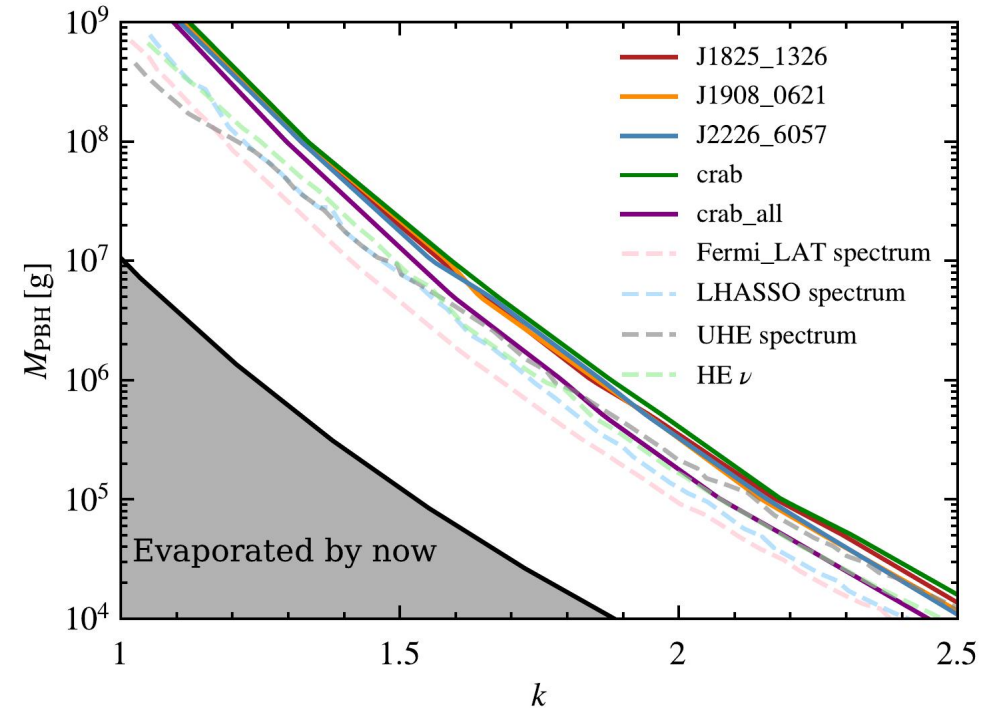
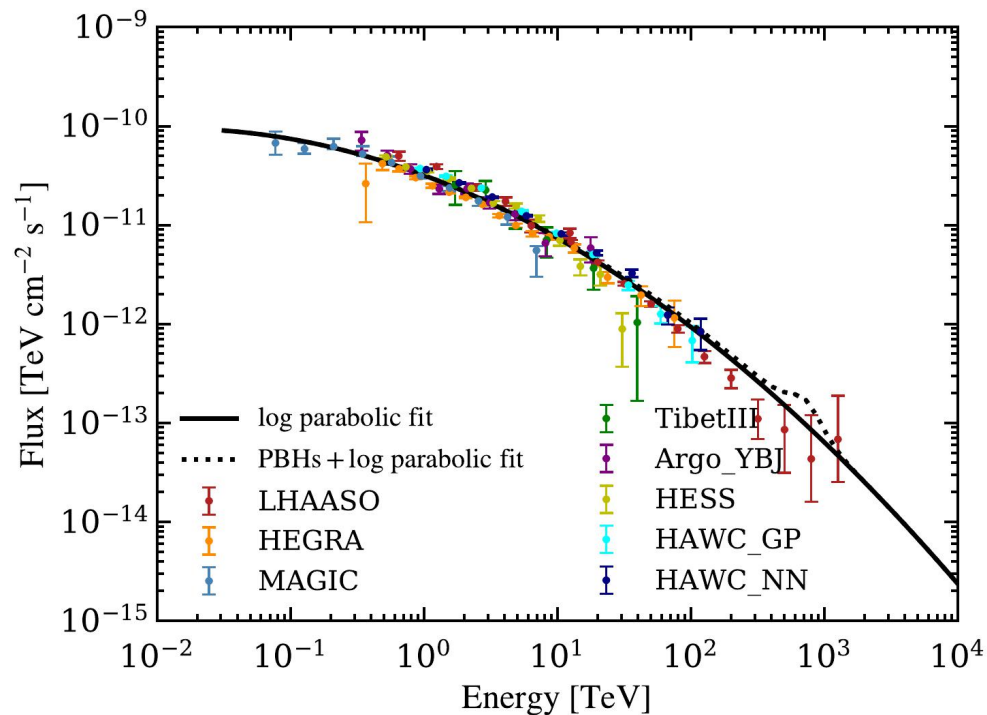


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With more crab data:

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i,j} \left[\frac{\phi_{i,j}^{\text{predict}}(\theta) - f_j^{n-1} \phi_{i,j}^{\text{data}}}{f_j^{n-1} \sigma_{i,j}^{\text{data}}} \right]^2 + \sum_j \left[\frac{(f_j - 1)}{\delta f_j} \right]^2$$

When fix fraction 1 for the entropy index k , implying that the region above the lines corresponds to PBHs that can fully constitute the DM component of the Universe and have not yet evaporated.

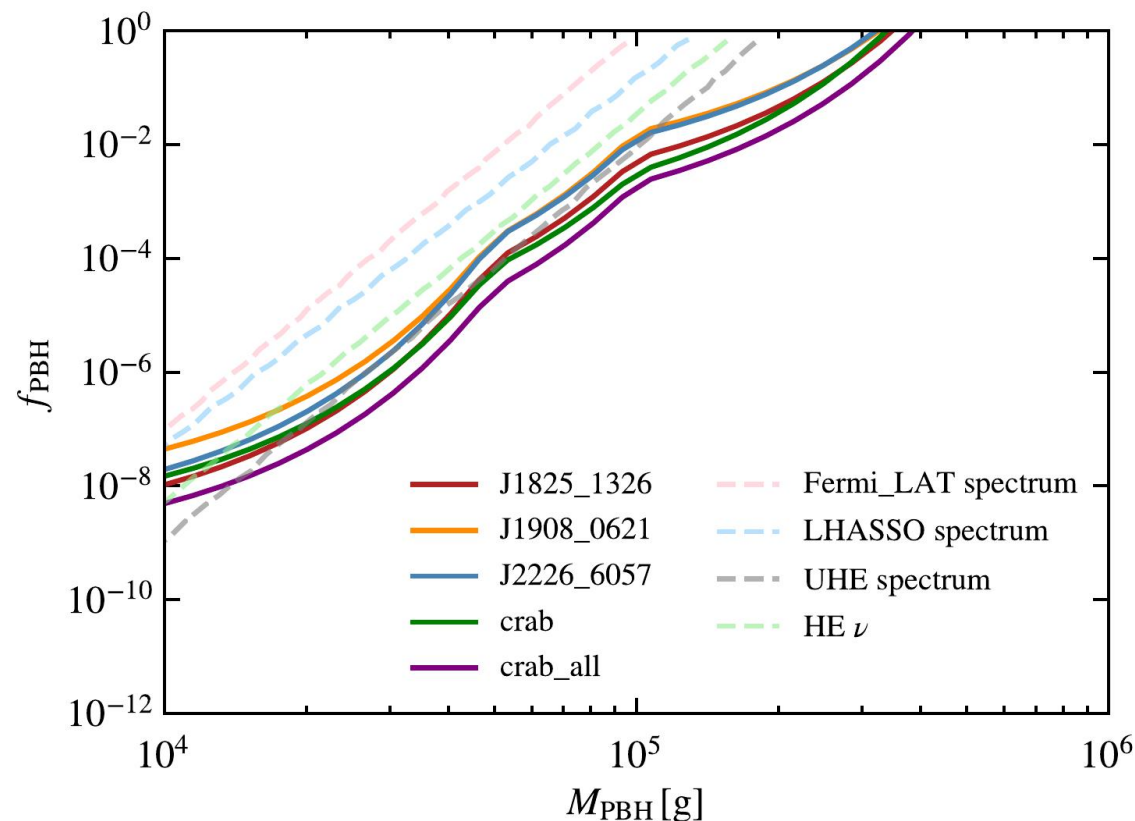


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The bounds at the 95% C.L:

In the farcion and mass of PBHs plane of light PBHs resulting from the LHAASO observations of the Crab Nebula, LHAASO J2226+6057, LHAASO J1908+0621, and LHAASO J1825-1326.

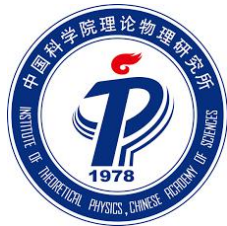


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Conclusions & Coulooks



- PBHs can be DM in some mass window.
- Memory burdened effect are particularly important for lighter PBHs.
- Tighter constraints derived in these two works.
- Multi-wavelength analysis might help constraint PBHs.
- Mass function model, astrophysical processes, DM profiles, etc, need to be confirmed.
- Multi-messenger analysis may break degeneracy from non-DM components in the future.



Thank you!

