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# 3C 279 as a High Energy Astrophysics Laboratory

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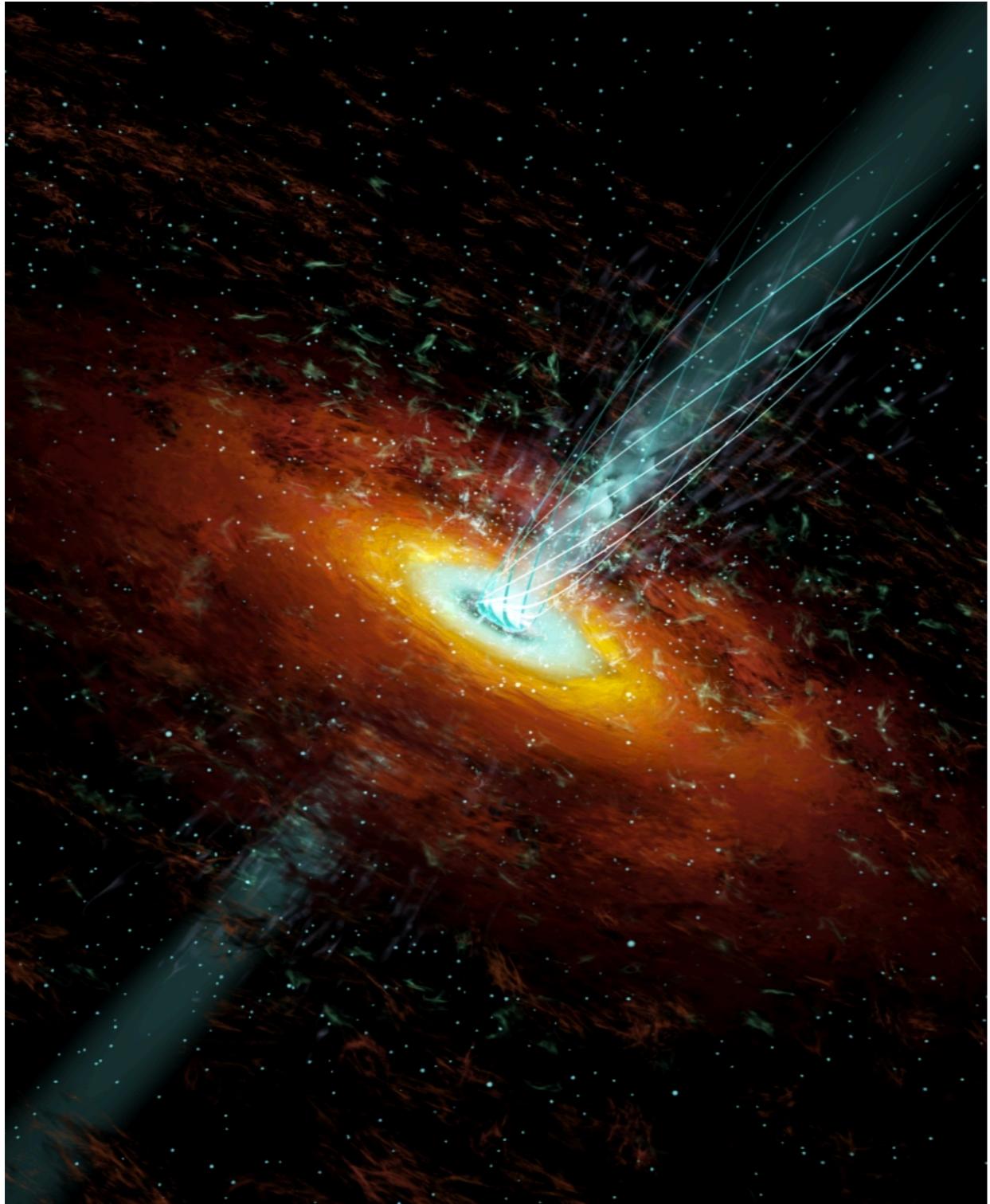
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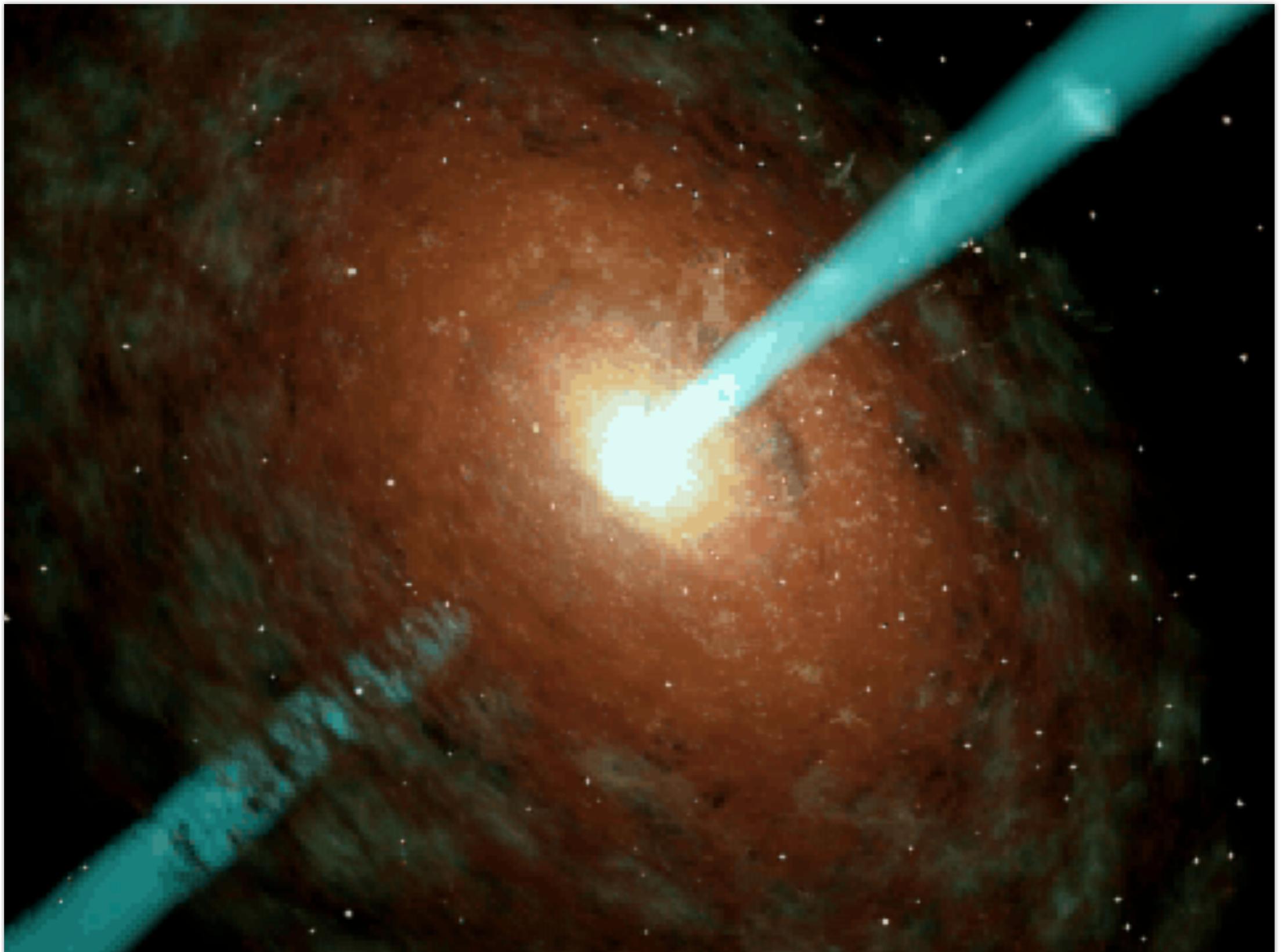
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# Outline



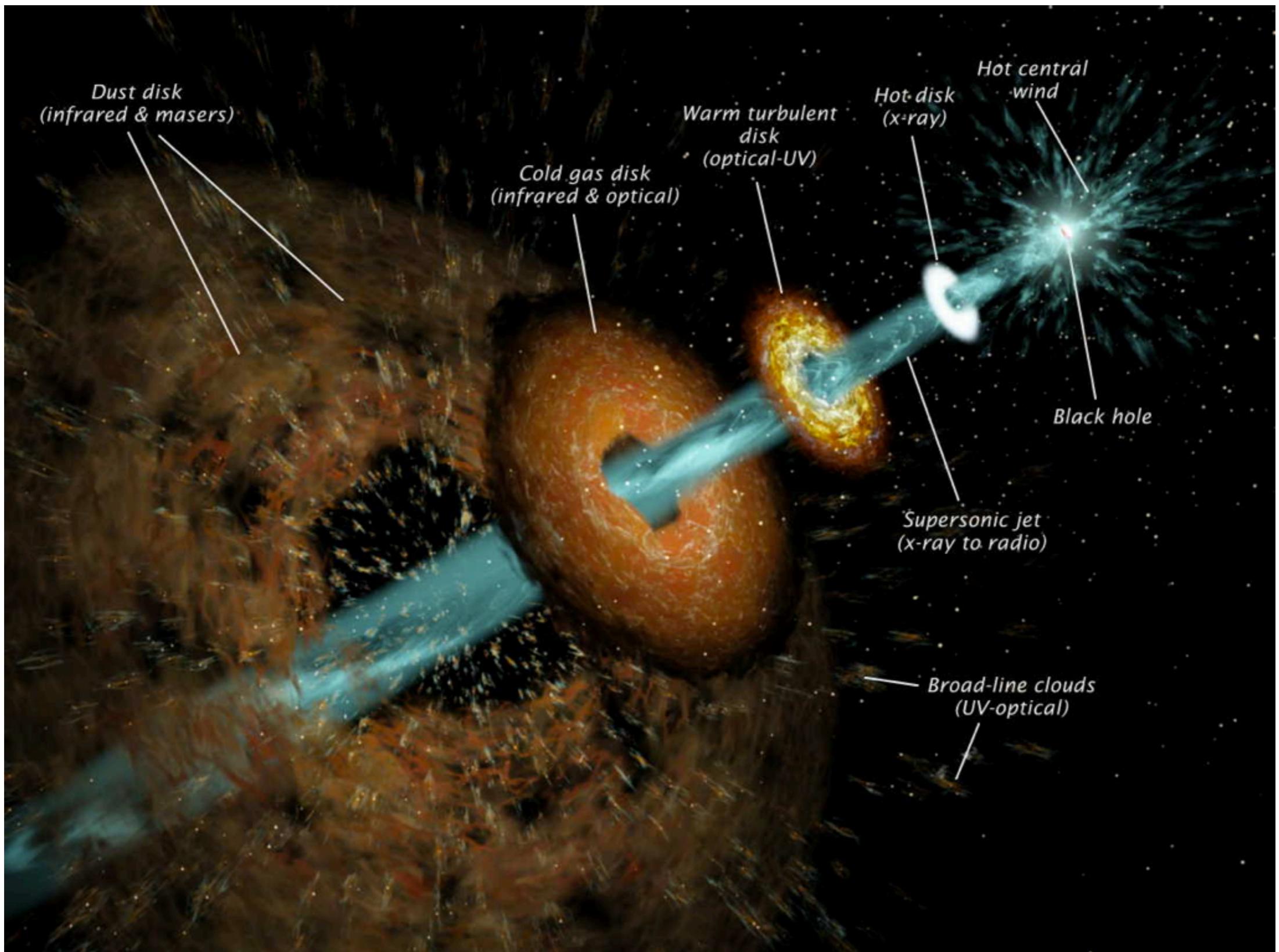
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# Introduction

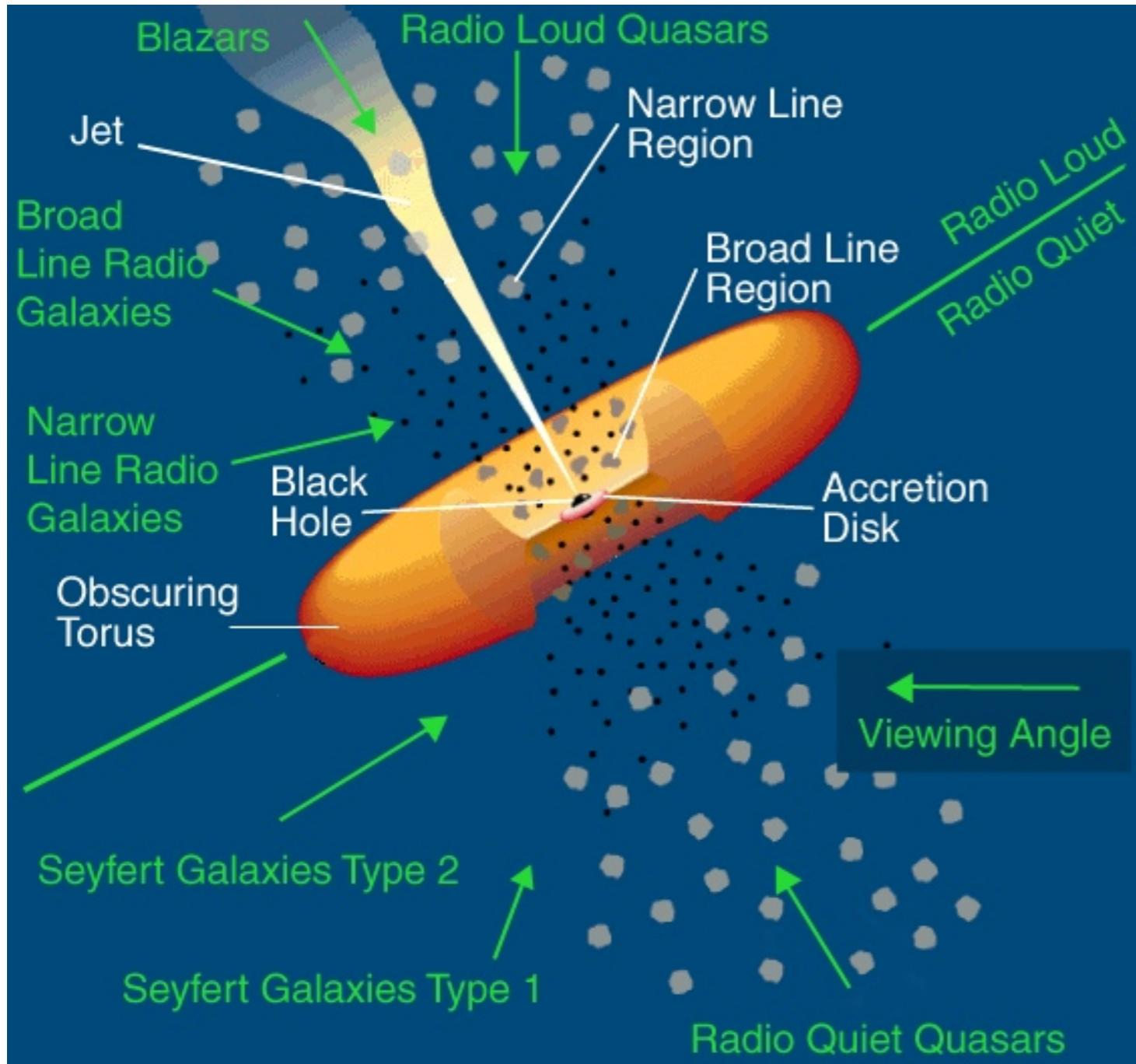


Credits: W. Steffen

# Introduction



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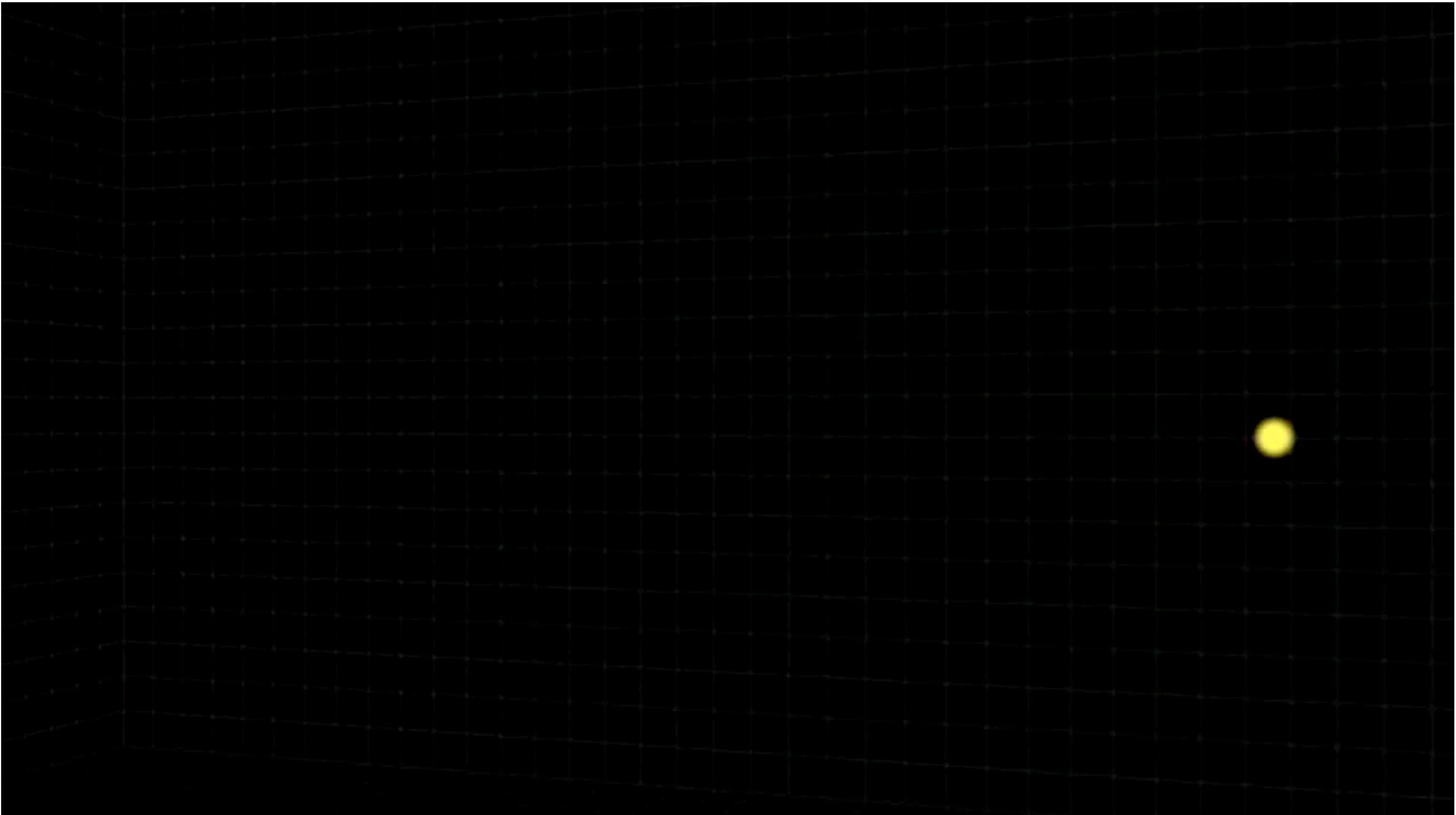
Credits: Urry & Padovani 1995

## Emission Mechanisms

- Thermal:
  - Accretion Disk
- Non thermal:
  - Synchrotron
  - Inverse Compton

# Introduction

## Inverse Compton Scattering



## Motivation

EGRET → Location of  $\gamma$ -ray emission zone

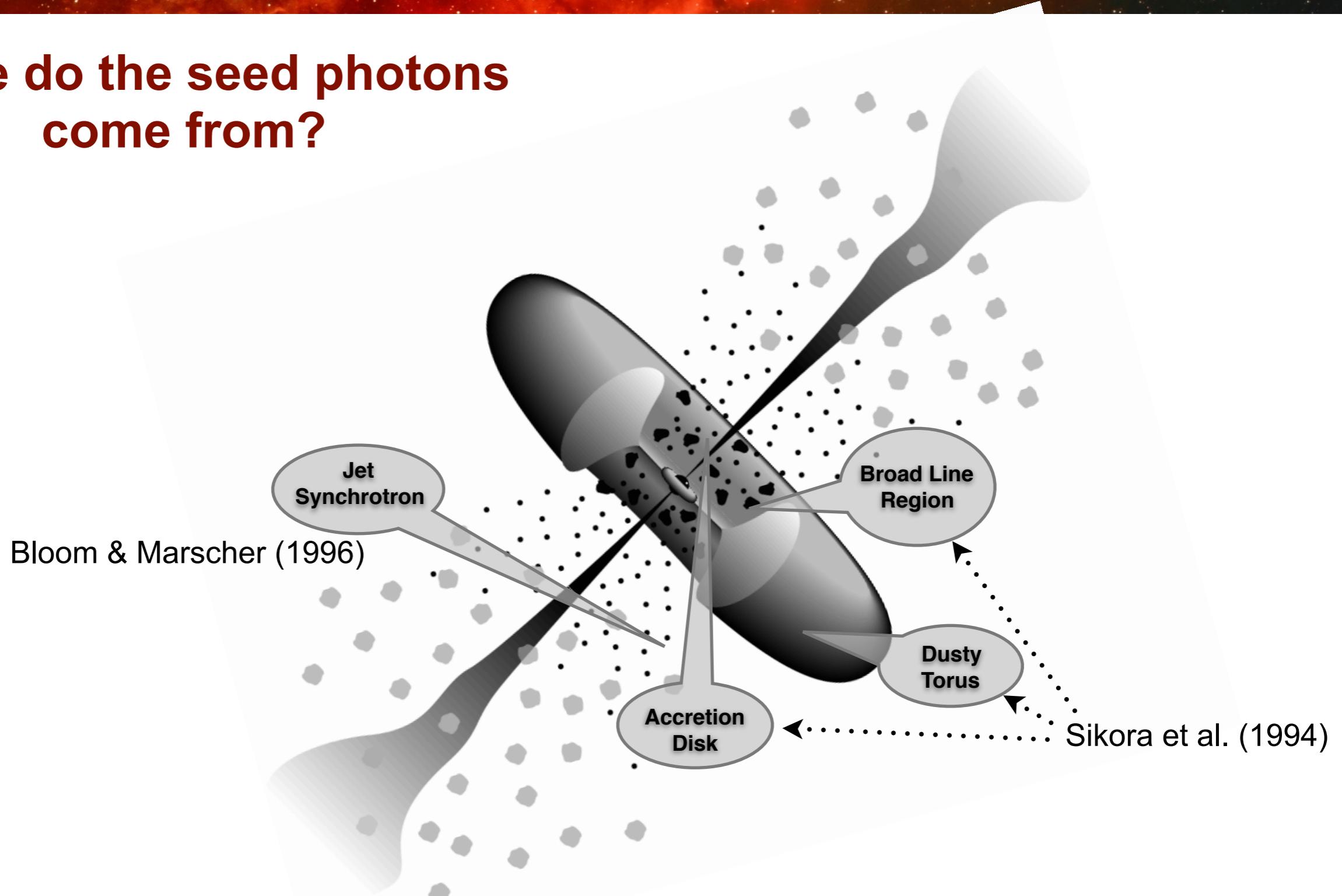
Fermi-LAT → Multiwavelength Campaigns

The  $\gamma$ -ray emission zone remains an open issue:

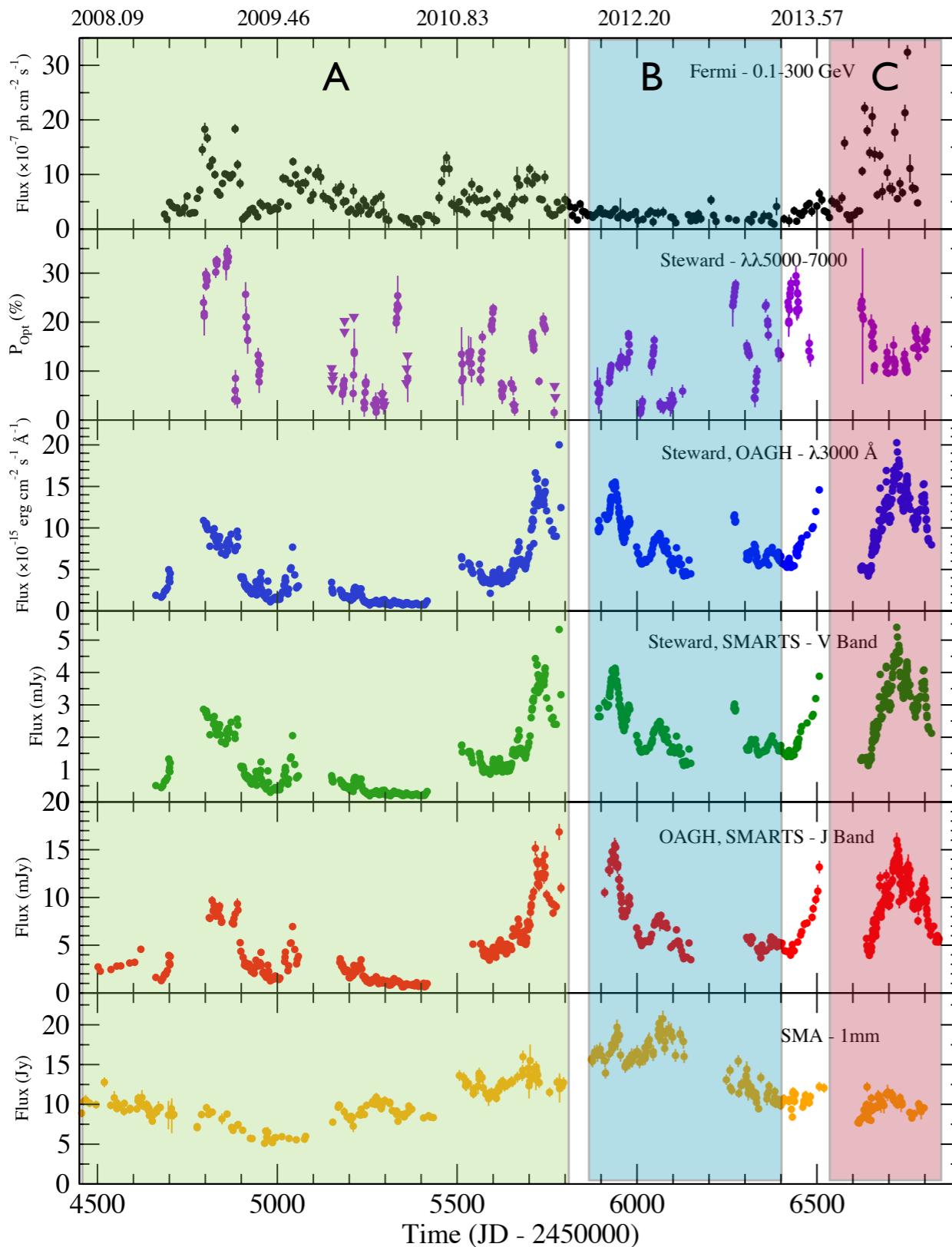
- Near the black hole ( $< 1$  pc)
- Far from the black hole, into the jet.

# Motivation

Where do the seed photons come from?



# Multiwavelength Analysis



0.1-300 GeV - Fermi

P<sub>opt</sub> (%) - Steward

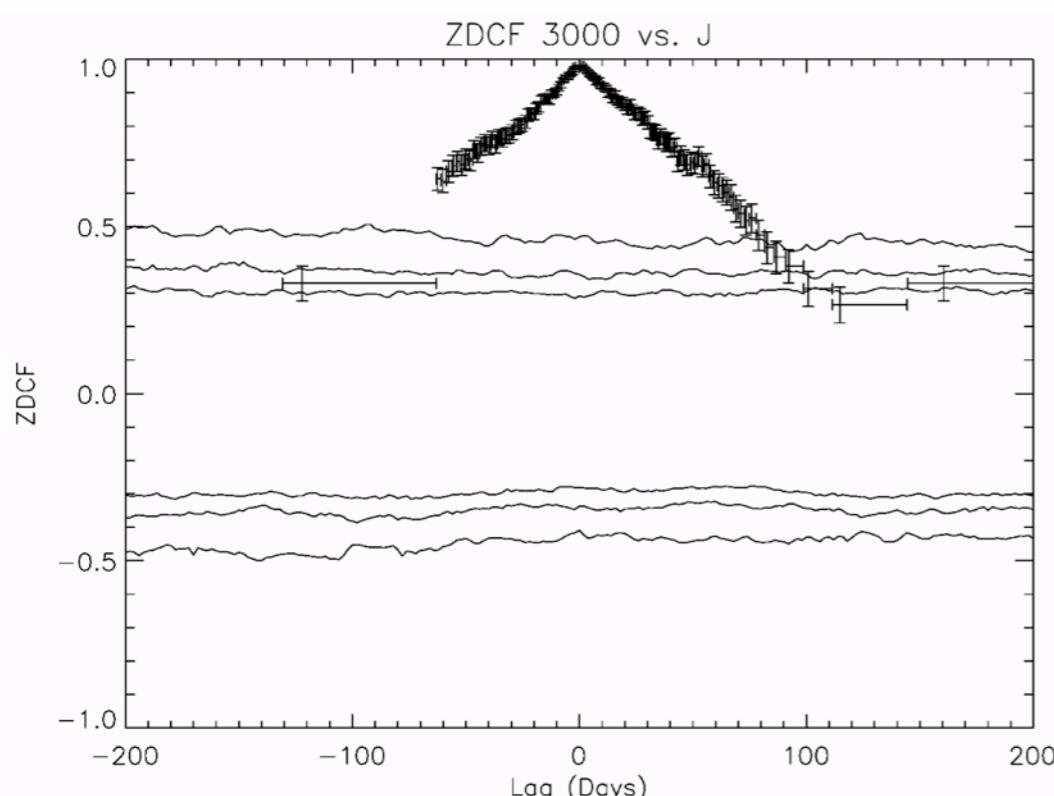
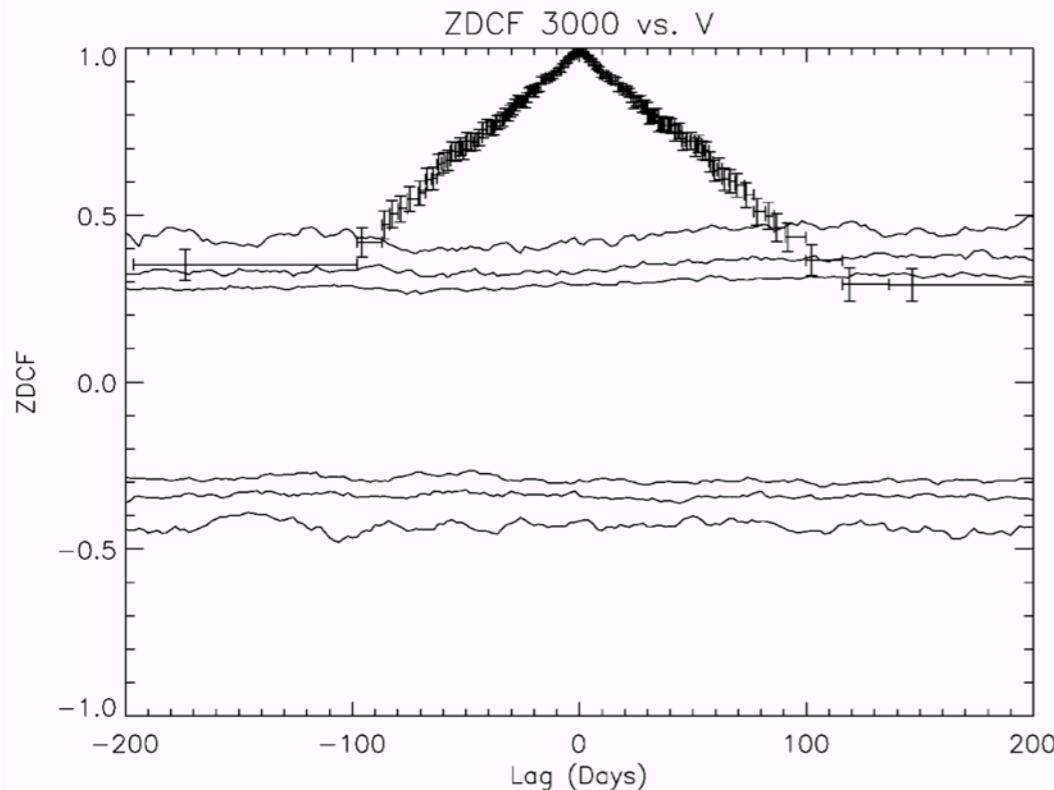
UV cont. - Steward,OAGH

V band - Steward,SMARTS

J band - OAGH,SMARTS

1mm- SMA

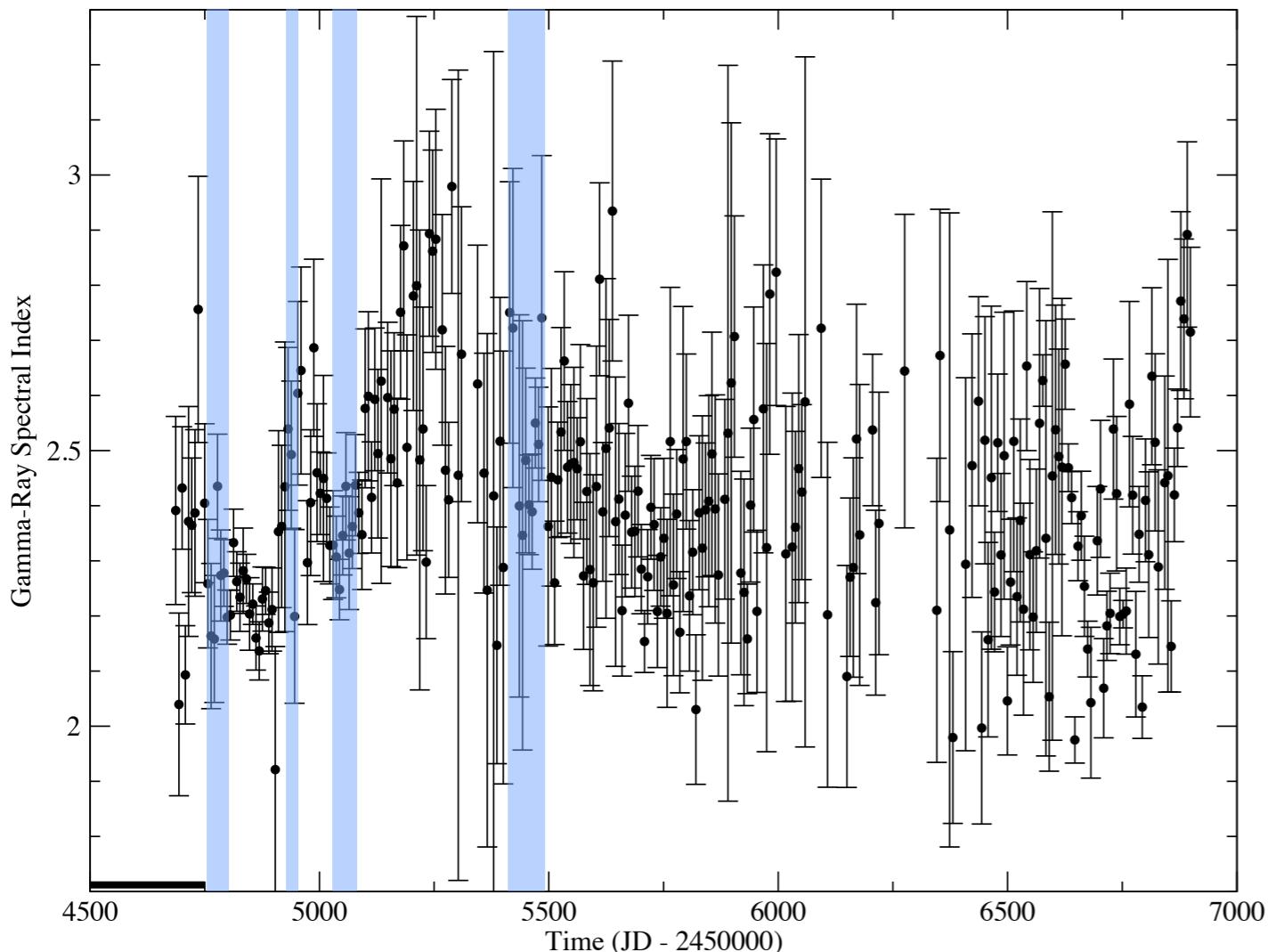
# Multiwavelength Analysis



## Origin of UV/Optical/NIR Emission

- UV to NIR Simultaneous Variability
- UV - 1mm correlation (suggest non-thermal emission)
- This tells us that the emission from UV to NIR has a non-thermal origin

# Variability



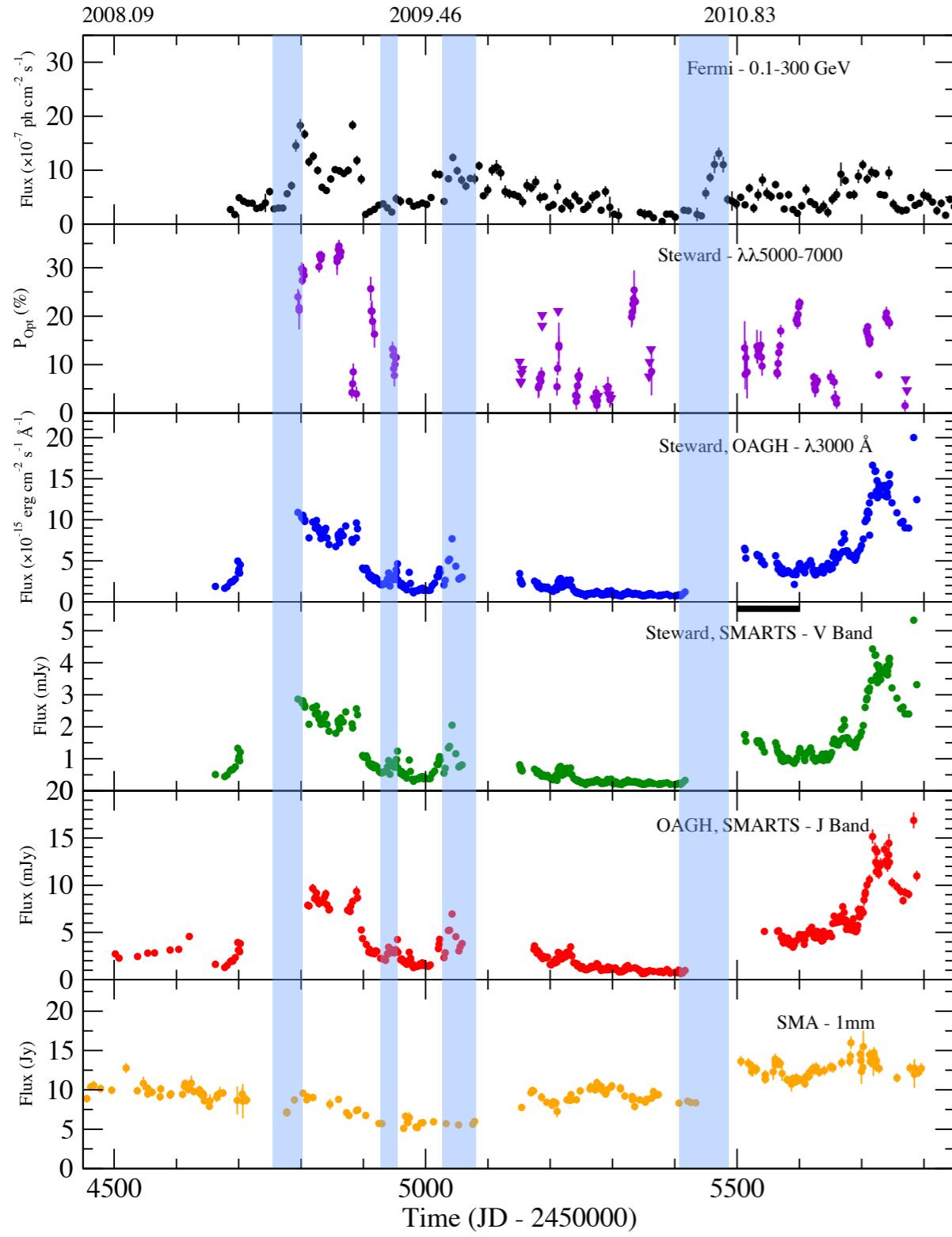
Variability detected at  
 $P \sim 10^{-31}$

## $\gamma$ -rays photon index

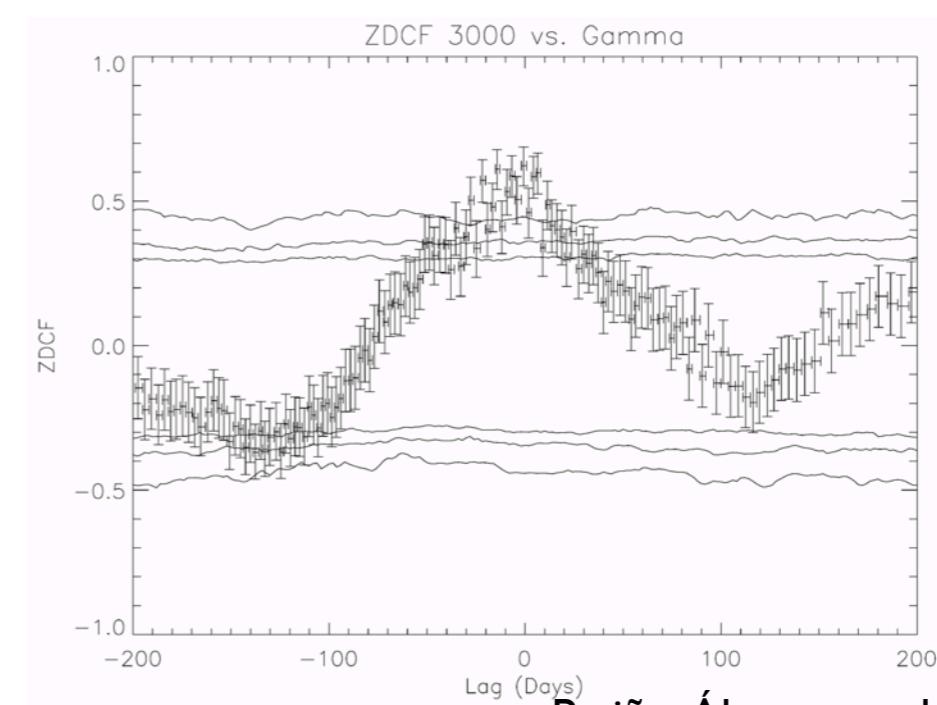
$$\frac{dN}{dE} = N_0 \left( \frac{E}{E_0} \right)^\gamma$$

- Fermi Light curve with power law.
- Run variability test on  $\gamma$ -rays photon index. Significant variability was found.

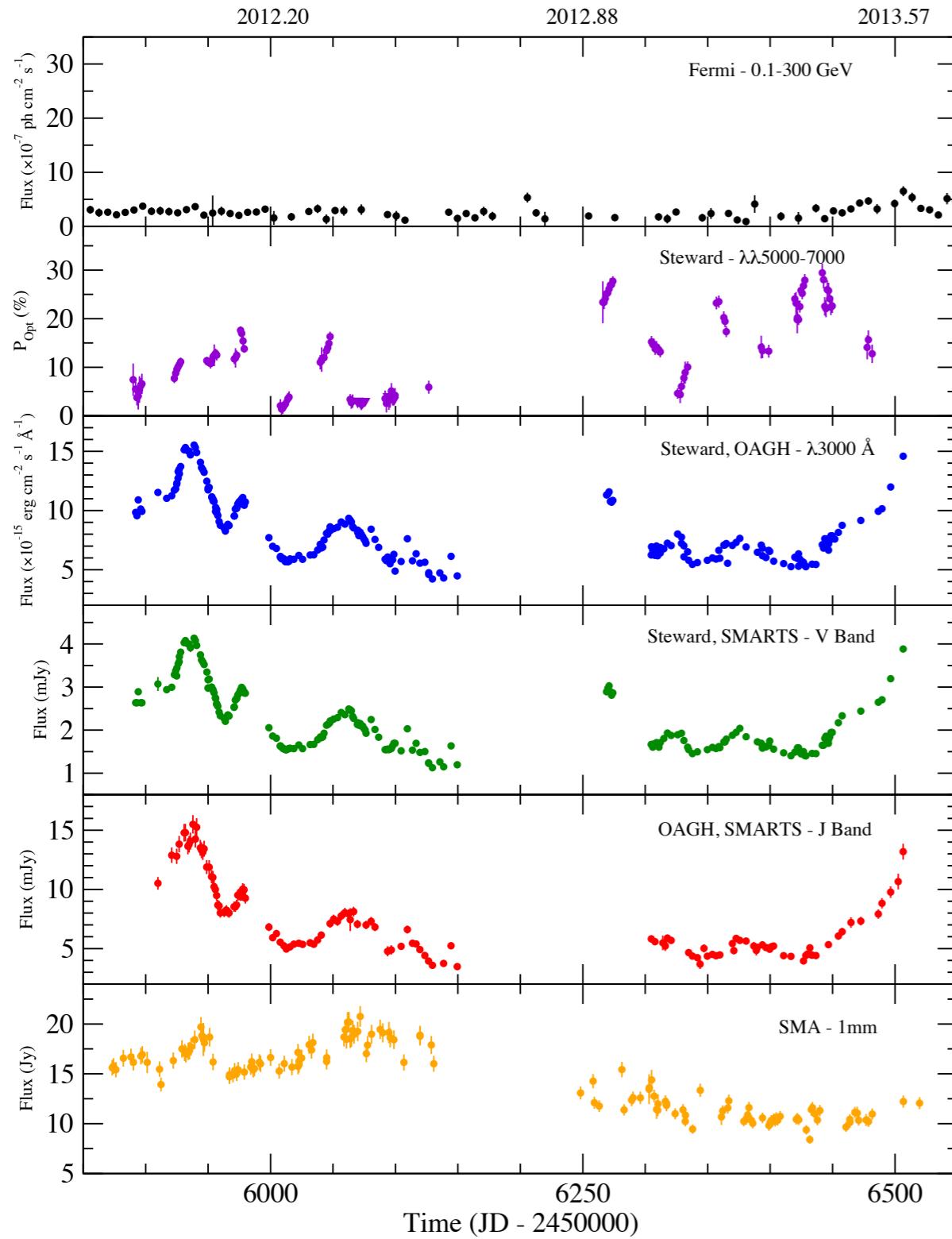
# Multiwavelength Analysis: Period A



- Cross Correlation shows a delay between  $\gamma$ -rays - UV continuum
- A delay consistent with 0 is in agreement with the predictions from SSC models. (e.g. Tavecchio, Maraschi, & Ghisellini, 1998)
- This tells us that the emission from UV to NIR has a non-thermal origin



# Multiwavelength Analysis: Period B



Only precedent: Chatterjee et al. 2013

- High levels of polarization.
- Highest levels of 1mm emission of our entire time range.
- Prominent flares in the UV, optical and NIR continuum.
- Probable ejection of a component from the radio core.

Lorentz Factor ( $\Gamma$ ):

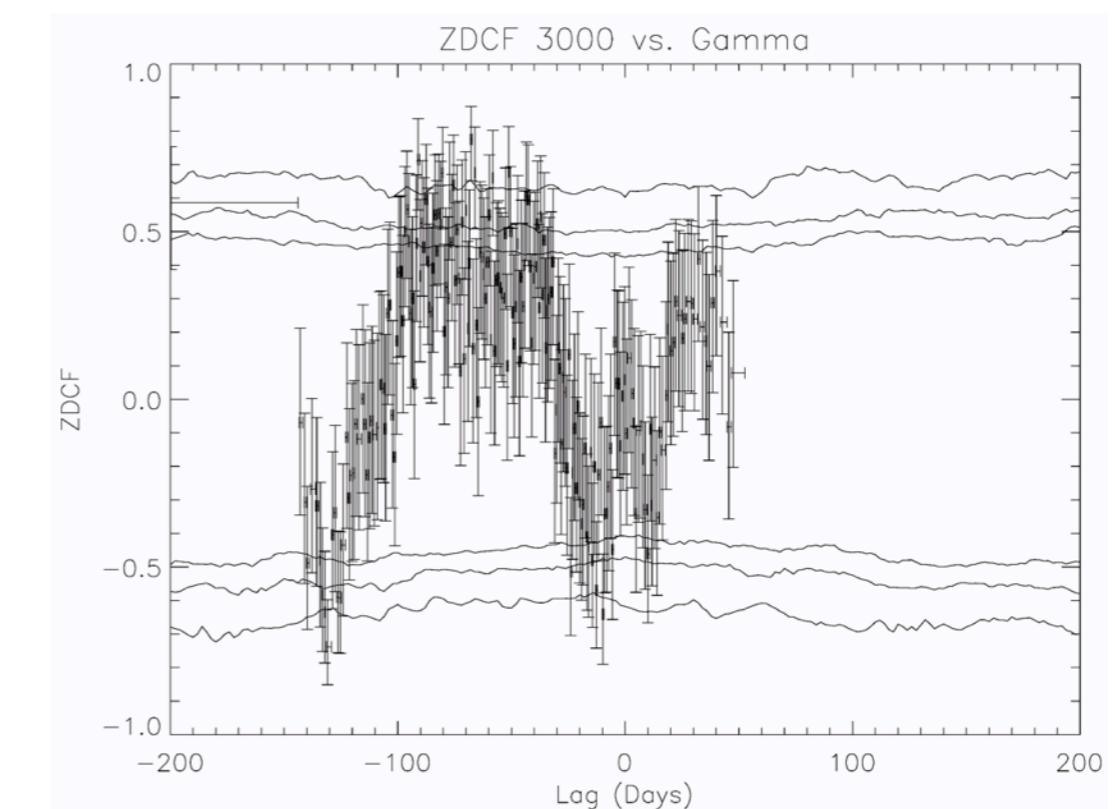
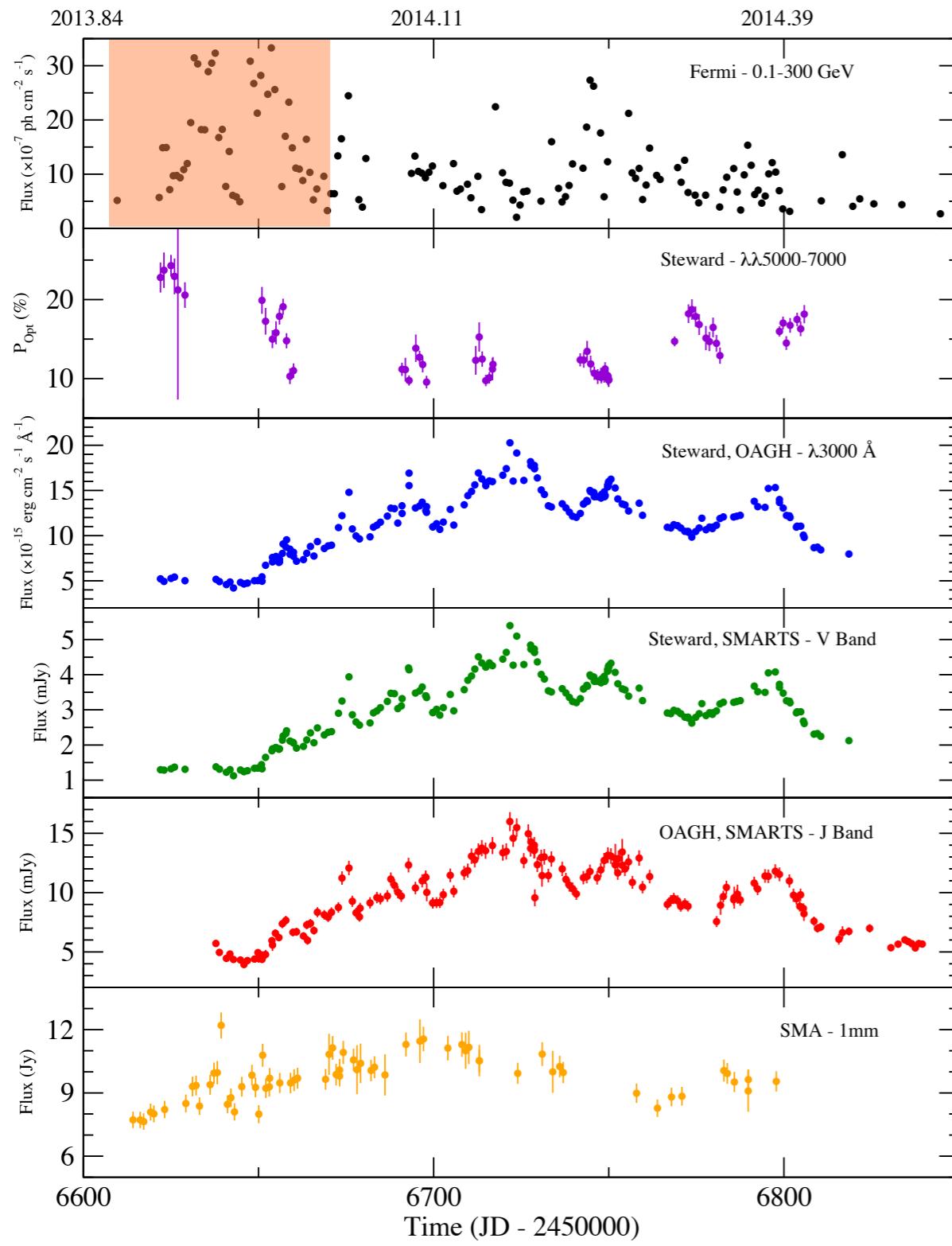
20.9

Hovatta et al. (2009)

22.5 - 37.2

Dermer et al. (2014)

# Multiwavelength Analysis: Period C



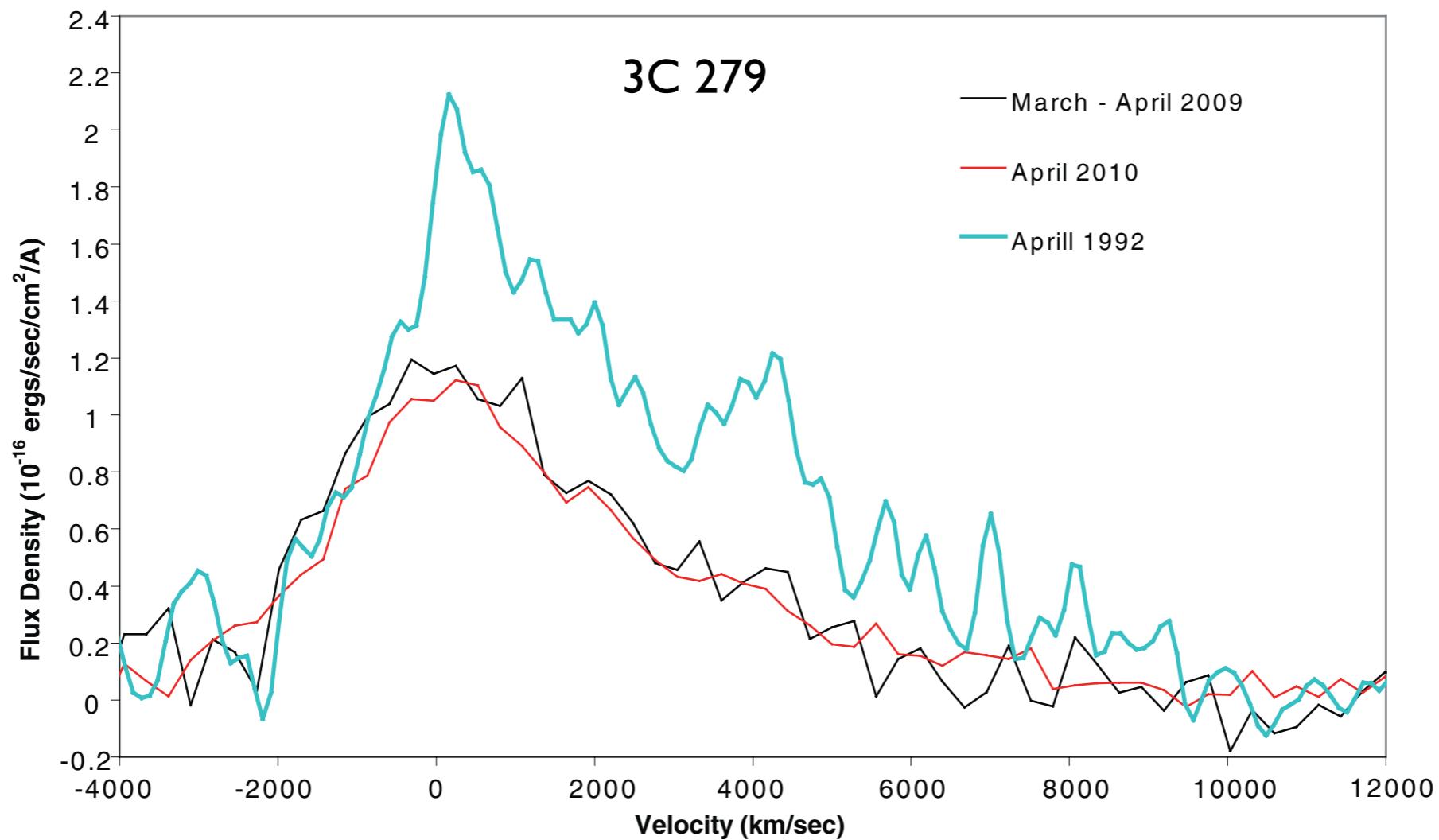
$-67.8 \pm 2.4 \text{ days}$

Removing the shadowed parts  $\gamma$ -rays

$\sim 24 \text{ days}$

# Work in Progress

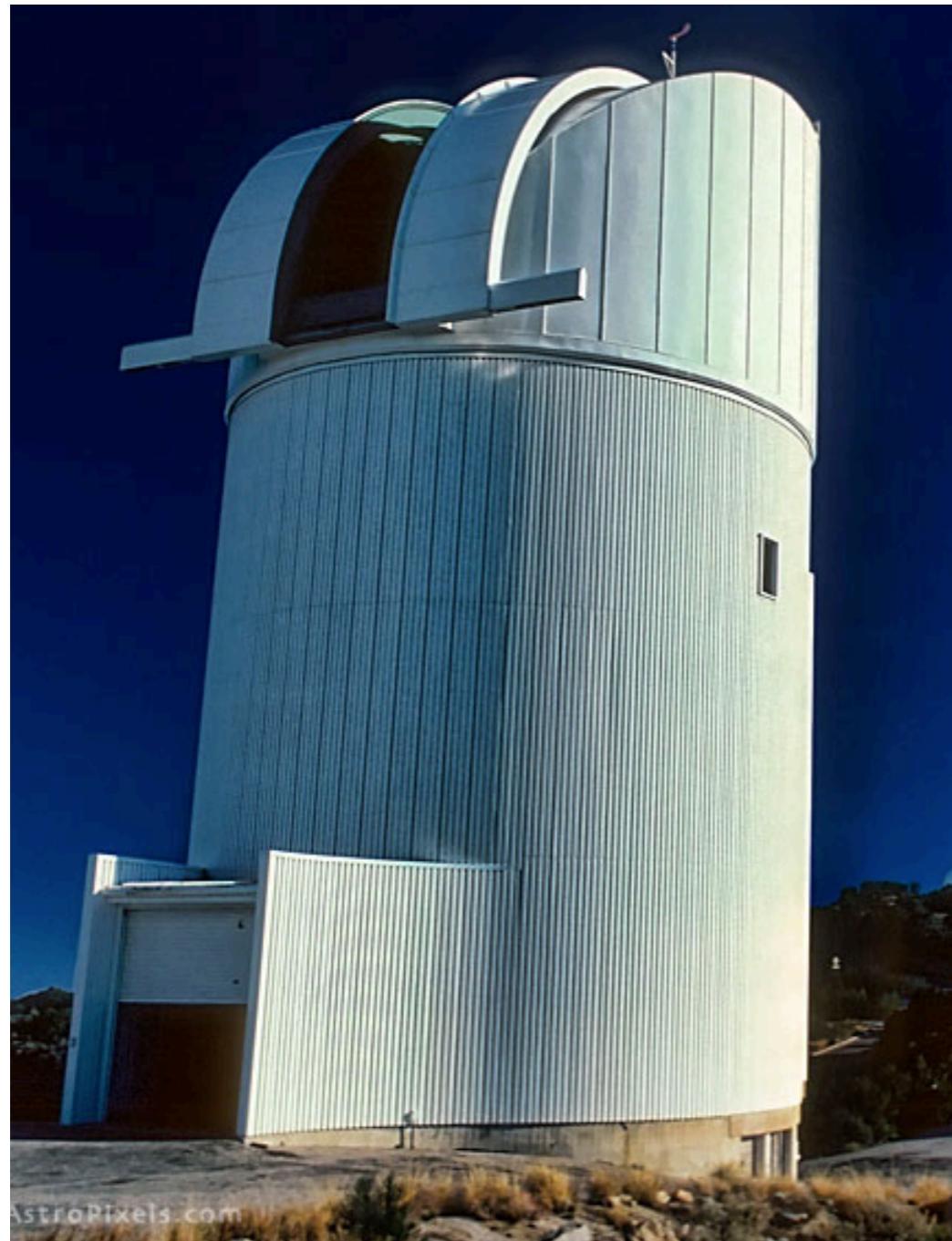
## Emission Line Variability



Punsly (2013)

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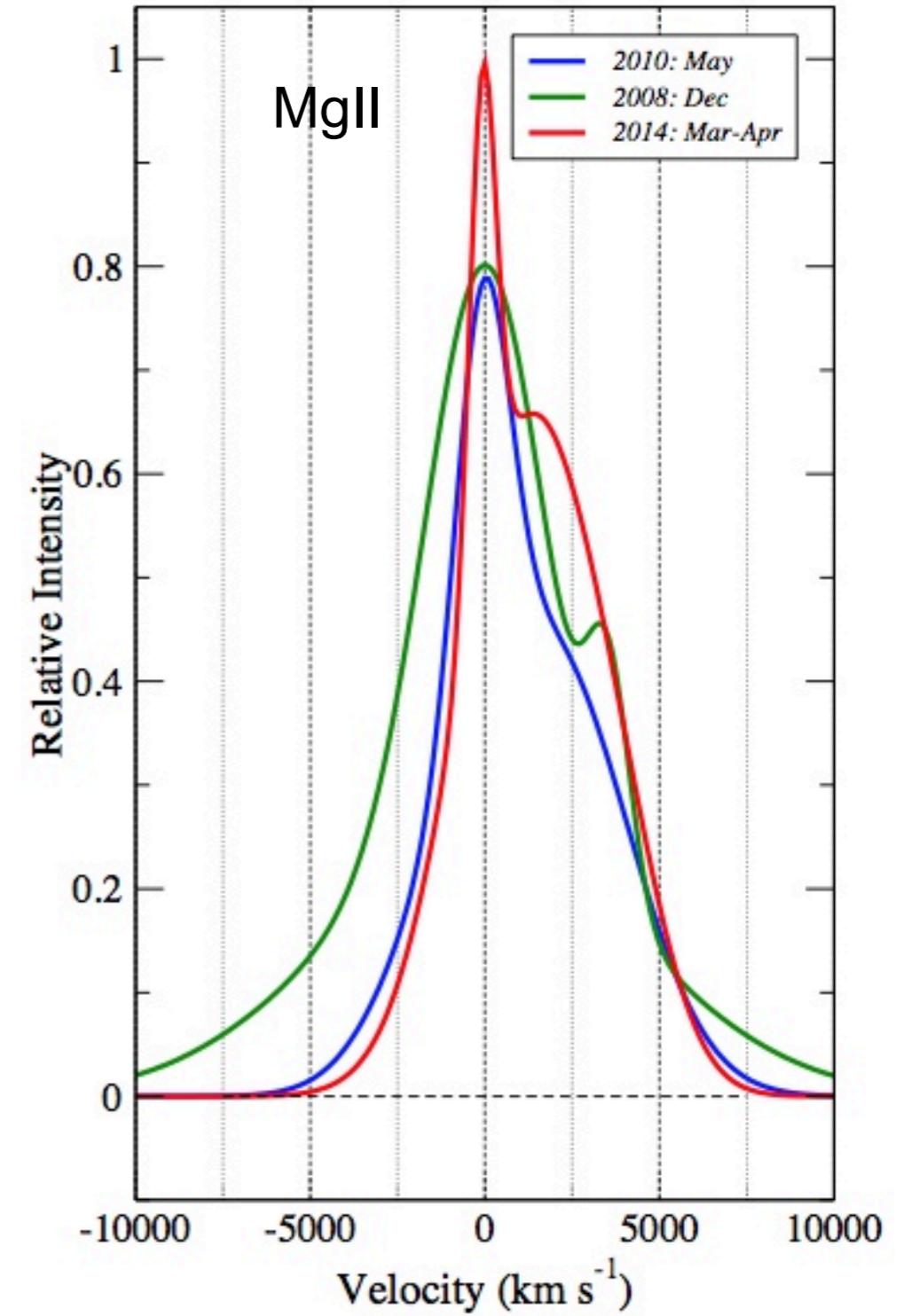
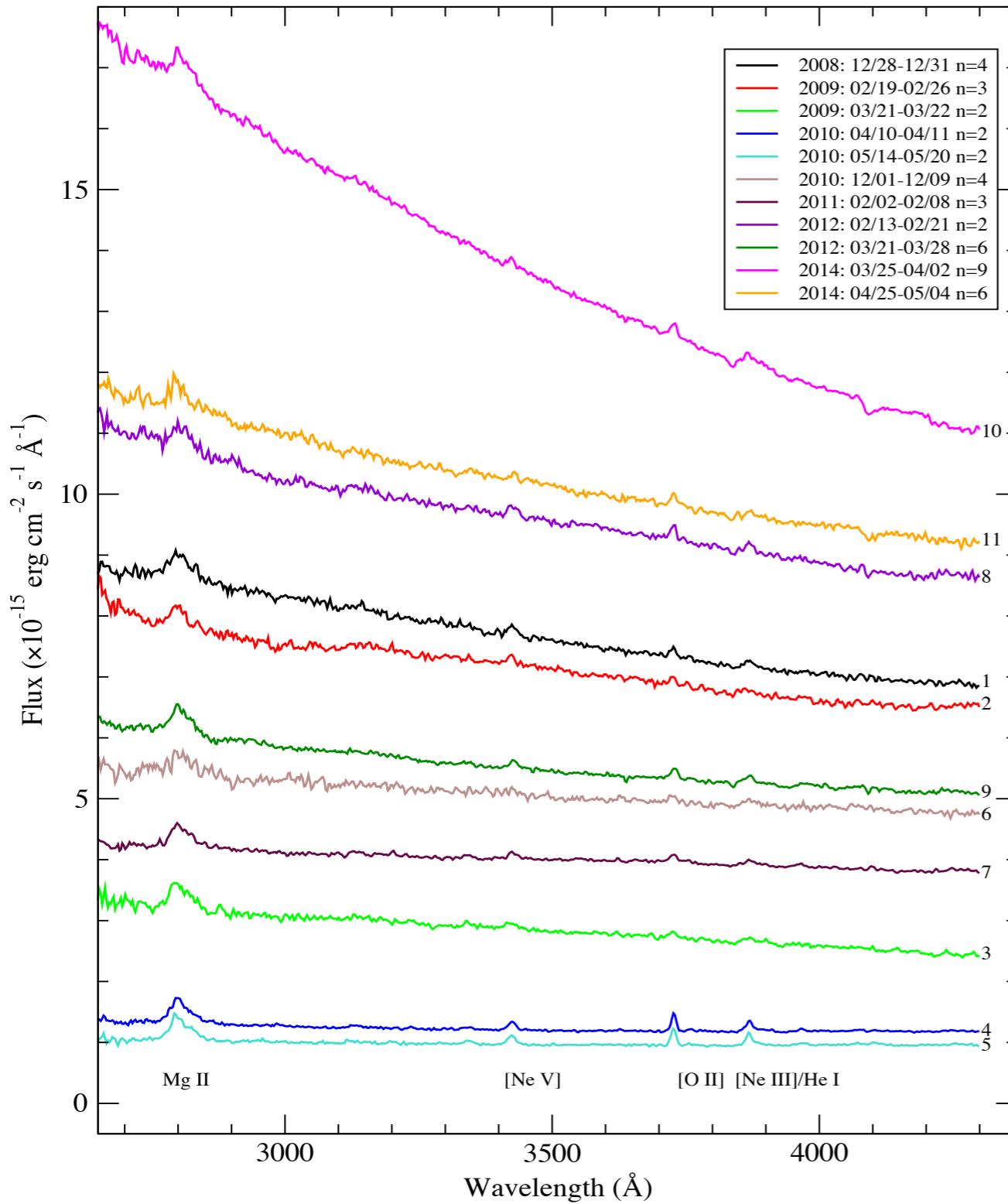
## Steward Observatory



## OAGH



# Work In Progress



## Summary

- UV continuum V band and NIR emission are simultaneous and co-spatial.
- Continuum from UV to NIR is dominated by non-thermal emission.
- During Period A the delay between the  $\gamma$ -rays emission and the UV continuum is consistent with 0. This supports a synchrotron self-Compton scenario.
- During Period B there is an anomalous emission period, where there are flares in all the bands that we analyze, with exception of the  $\gamma$ -rays. We propose an scenario of  $\gamma$ -rays absorption by pair production.
- Period C shows a possible External Compton Scenario.

## References

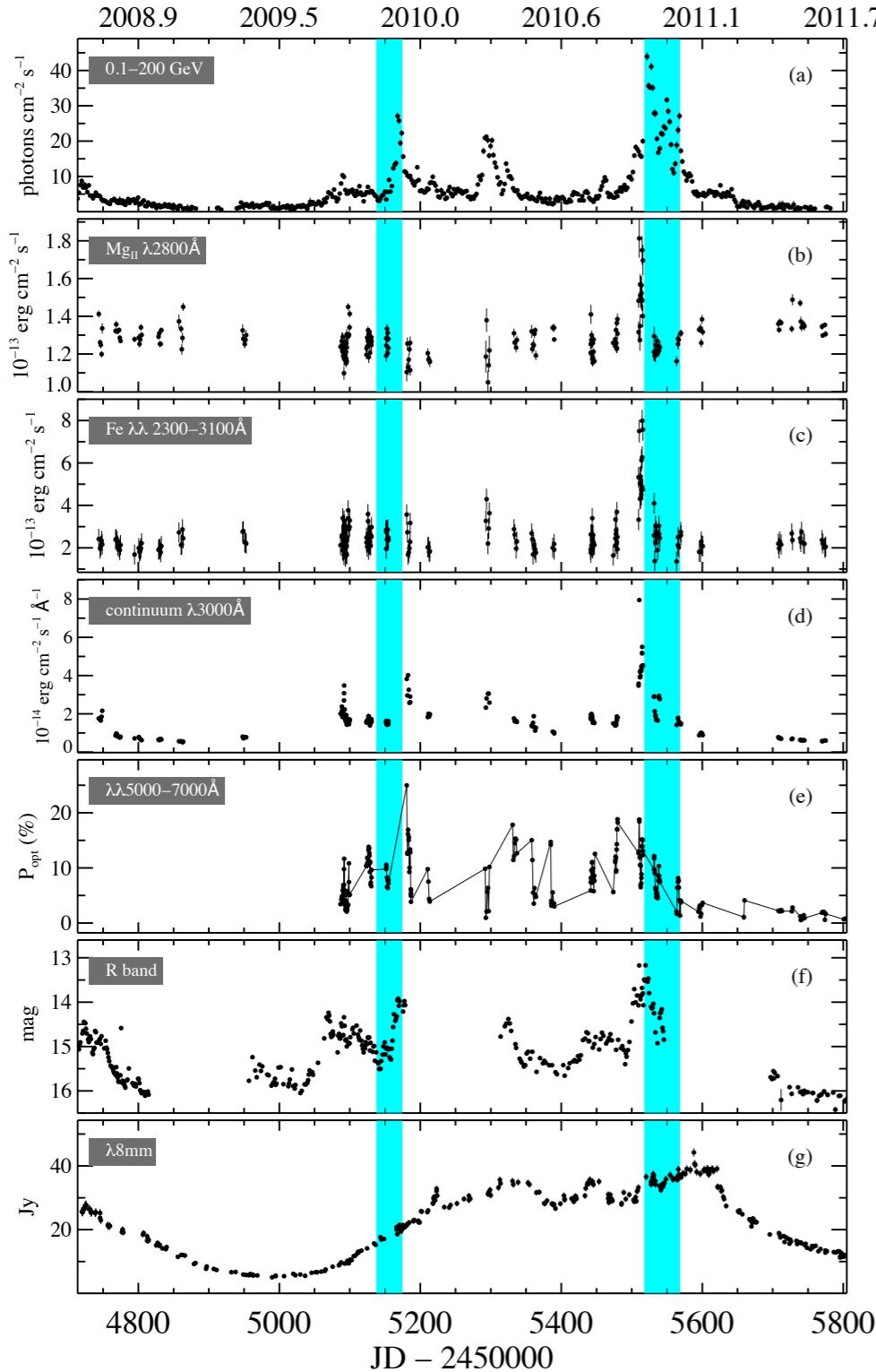
### Synchrotron Self-Compton

- Mukherjee et al. 1999
- Hartman et al. 2001
- Sikora et al. 2001

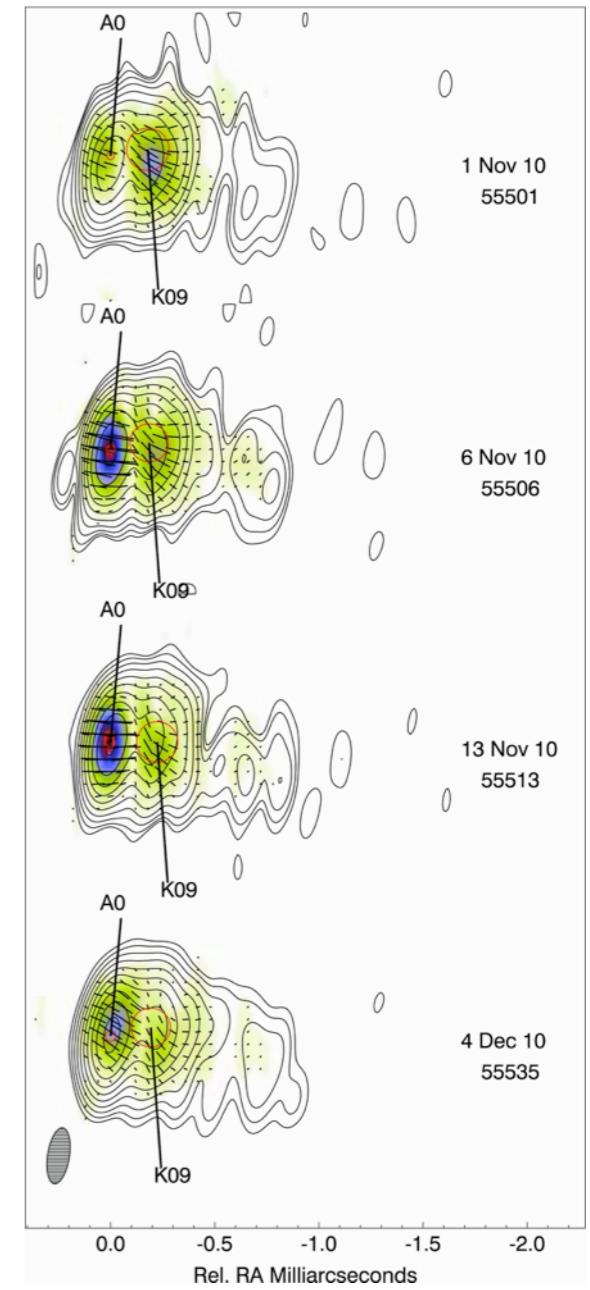
### External Compton Models

- Dermer & Schlickeiser 1993
- Sikora, Begelman & Rees 1994
- Blazejowski et al. 2000

# 3C 454.3: Multiwavelength data

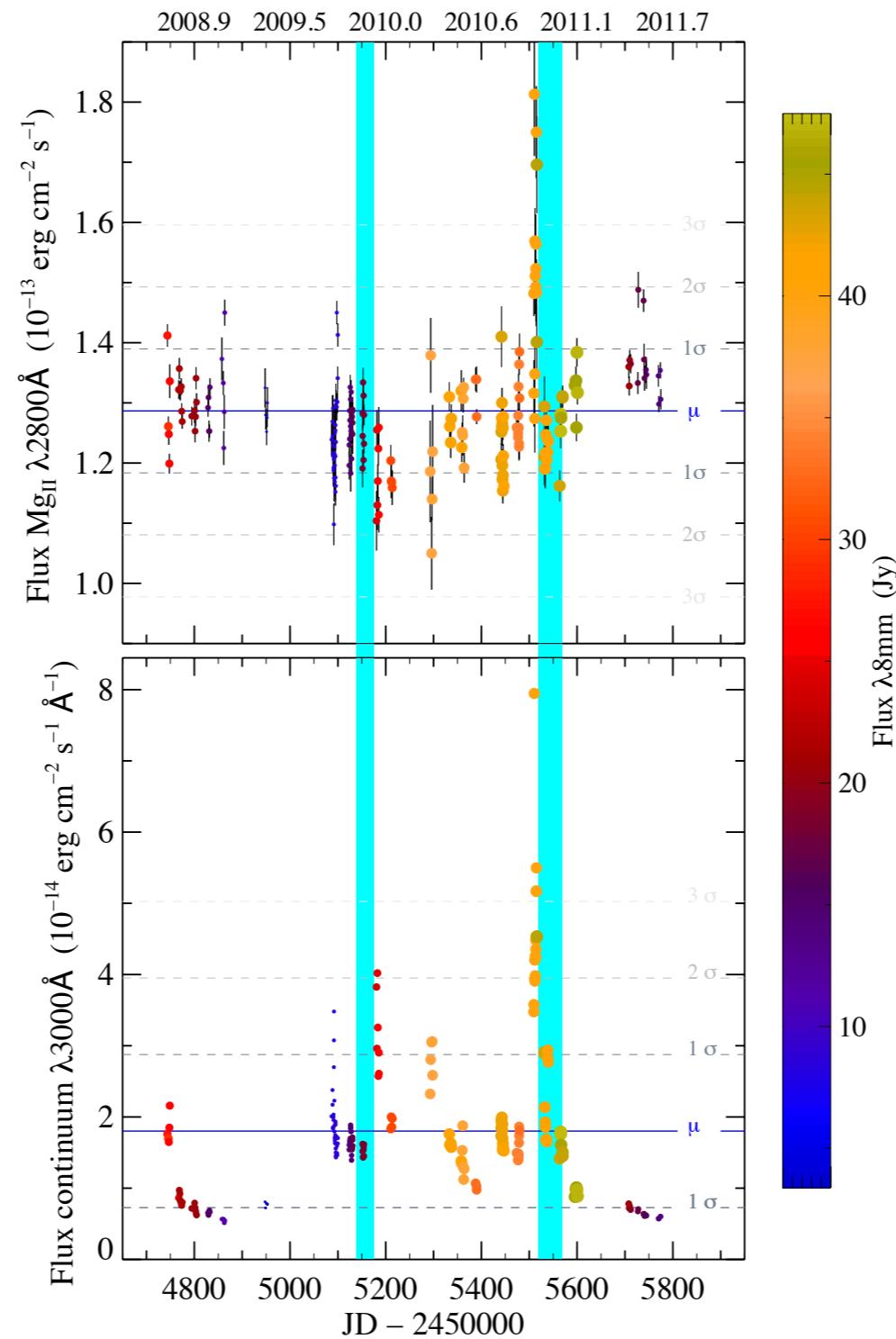


The *vertical stripes* show the time when *new blobs* were ejected from the *radio core* and their widths represent the associated uncertainties

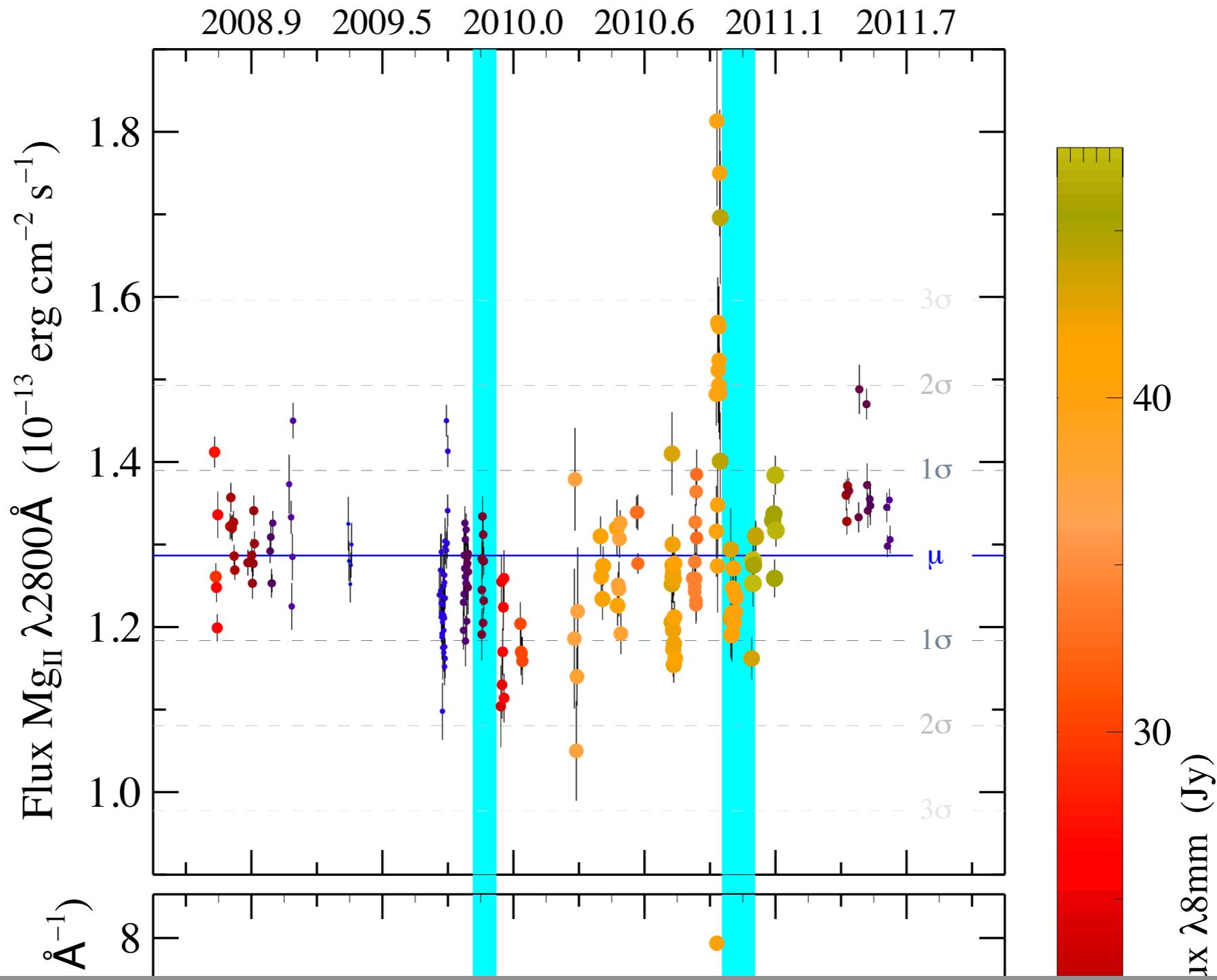


Wehrle +2012

# Flux evolution of MgII 2800 Å



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# Response of Mg II and Fe II to non-thermal continuum

