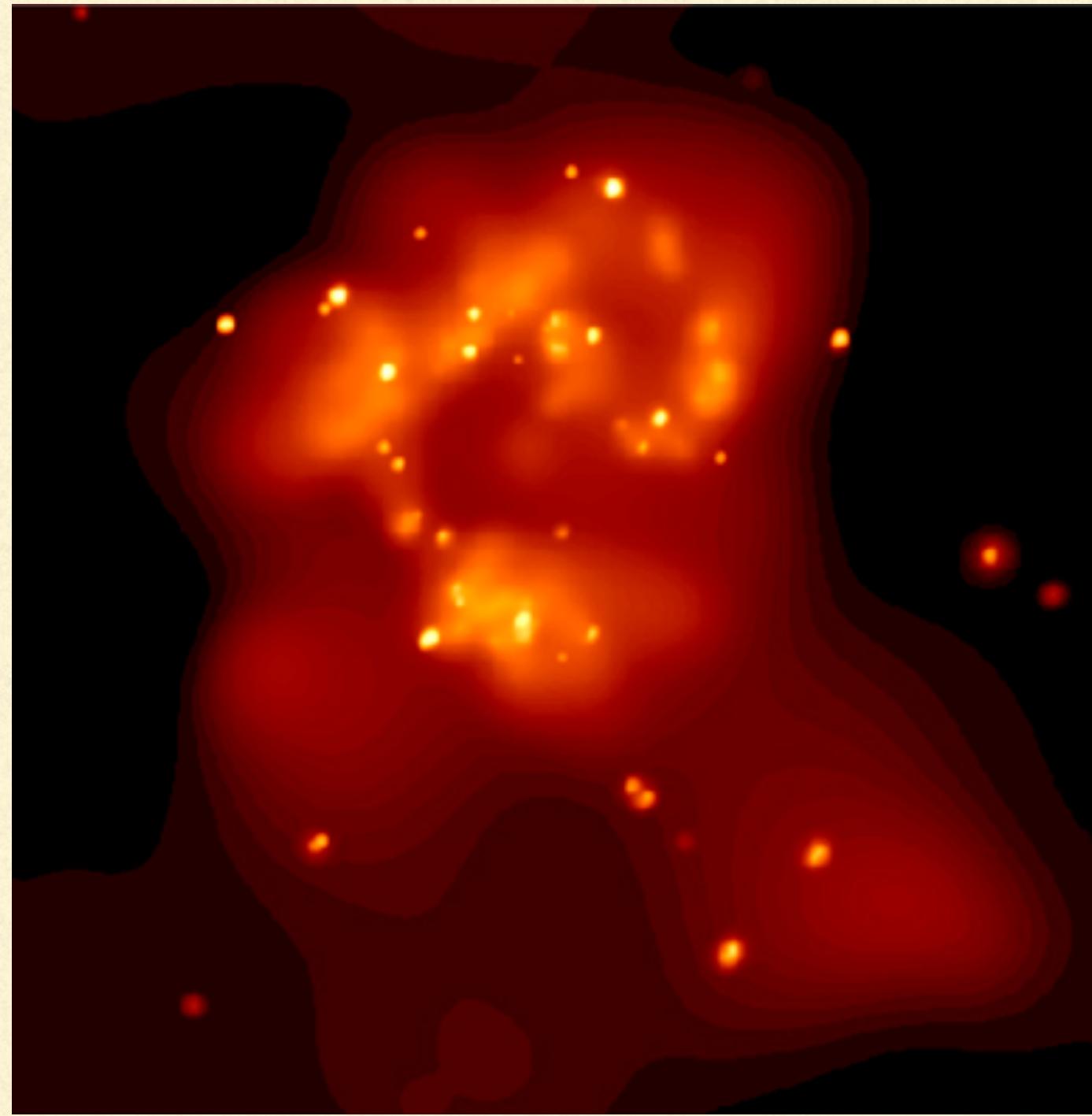


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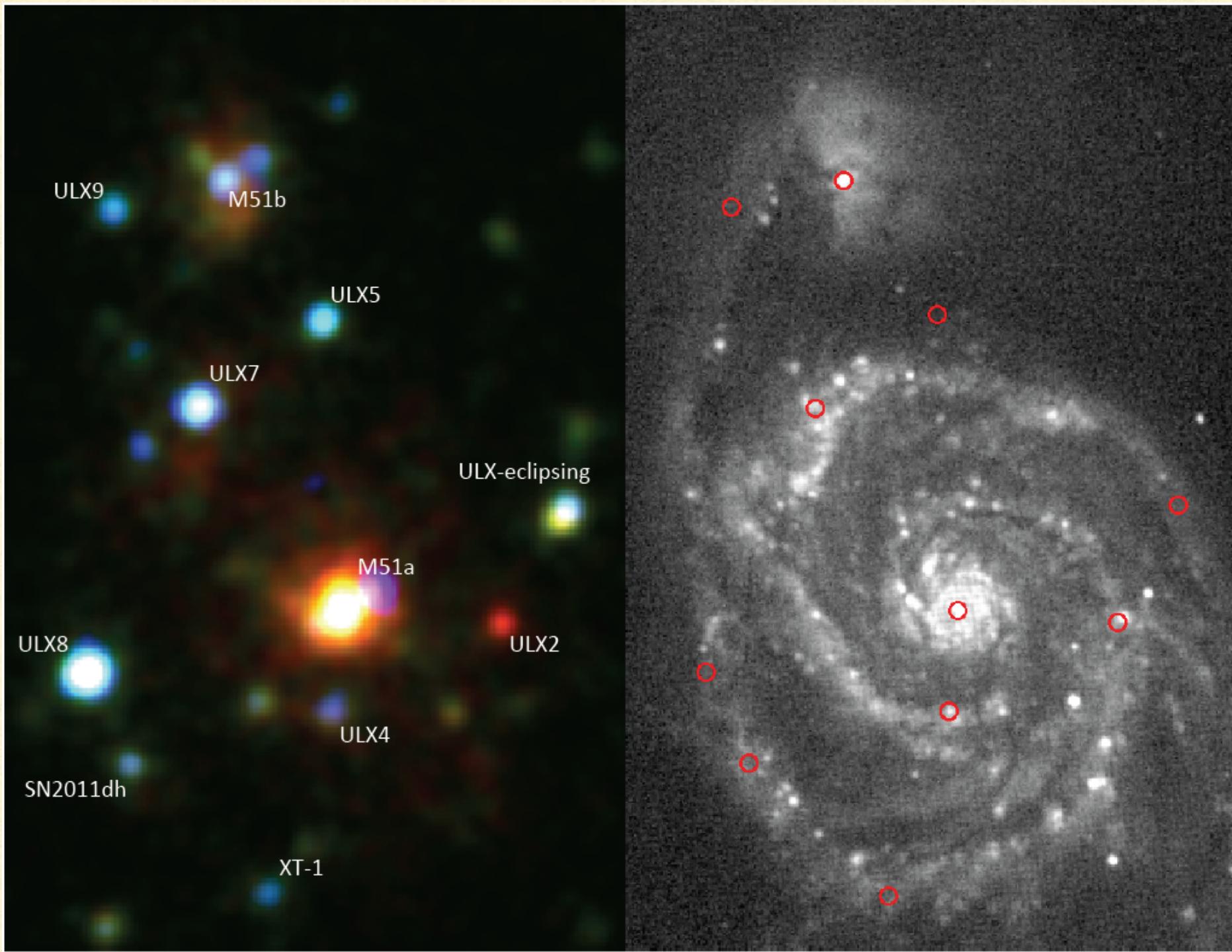
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| <b>AGN Accretion Discs</b><br>Lasota, Jean-Pierre  |                     |         |           |   |

# Ultraluminous X-ray sources (ULXs):

$$L > 10^{39} \text{ erg s}^{-1} \gtrsim L_{\text{Edd}} (10 M_{\odot})$$

off galactic center



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## Pulsing ULXs (PULXs), magnetized neutron stars: $L$ up to $10^{41}$ erg/s $\sim 1000 L_{\text{Edd}}$

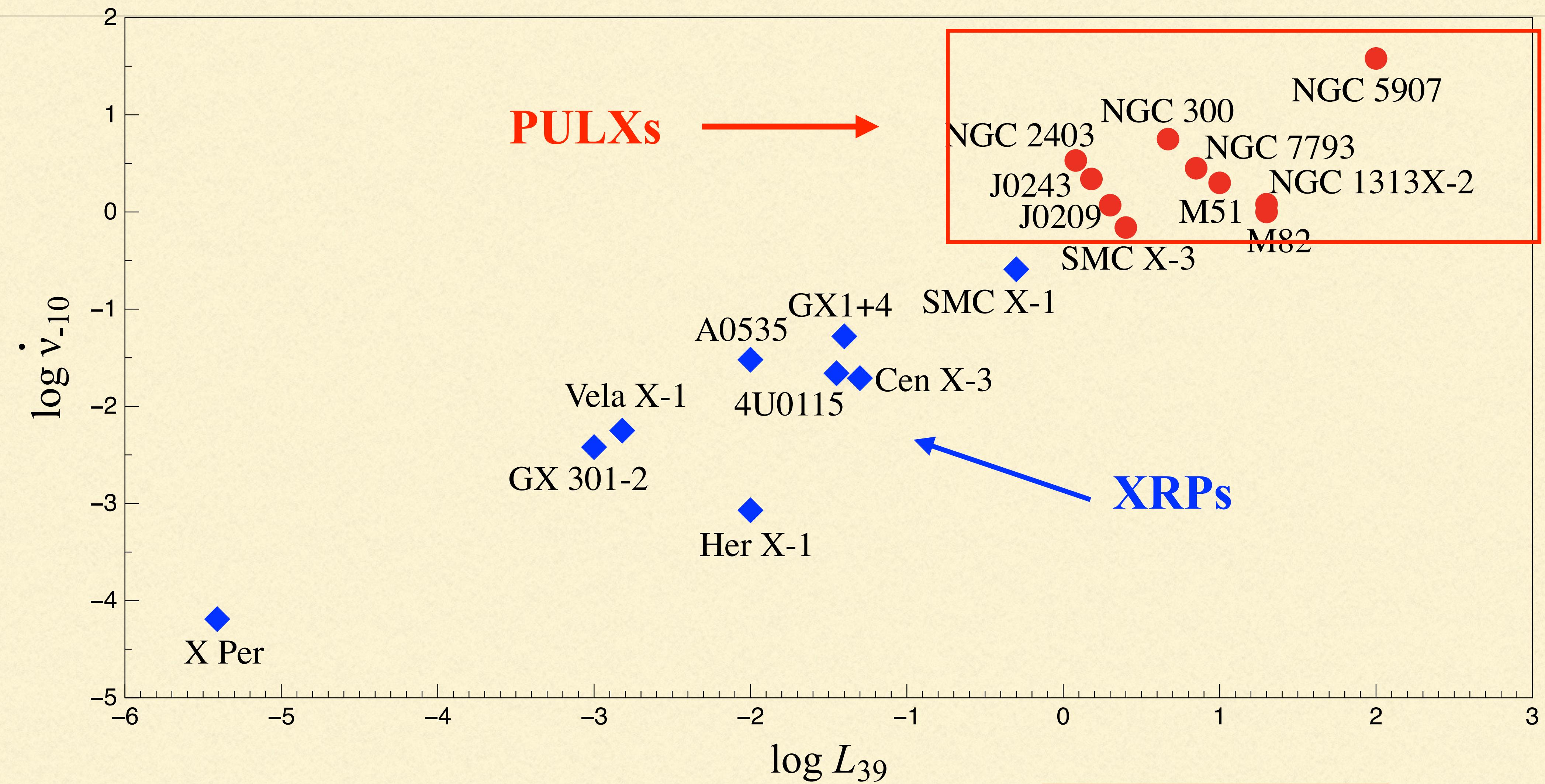
Two possibilities:

- a. Beaming (luminosity is only apparently super Eddington):  $L_{\text{app}} \approx \frac{1}{b} L_{\text{Edd}} \ln \frac{\dot{M}}{\dot{M}_{\text{Edd}}}$   
 $b < 1$
- b. Very strong magnetic field (magnetar),  $L_{\text{Edd}}$  is no longer the critical luminosity:

$$L_{\text{crit}} \approx 900 B_{14}^{4/3} L_{\text{Edd}}$$

$$L_{\text{Edd}} < L = L_{\text{app}} < L_{\text{crit}}$$

I have demonstrated that b. is impossible



All PULXs have

$L_X > 10^{39}\text{erg/s}$  and

$\dot{\nu} \gtrsim 10^{-10}\text{s}^{-2}$

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## *Spin-up by torque from a keplerian accretion disc*

$$\dot{\nu} = \frac{\dot{J}(R_M)}{2\pi I} = \frac{\dot{M}(GMR_M)^{1/2}}{2\pi I} \propto \dot{M}^{6/7} \mu^{2/7}, \quad R_M \propto \dot{M}^{-2/7} \mu^{4/7}$$

gives the accretion rate

$$\dot{M} \approx 1.2 \times 10^{18} \dot{\nu}_{-10}^{7/6} \mu_{32}^{-1/3} \text{ g/s} \quad \mu_{32} \text{ corresponds to } 10^{14} \text{ G}$$

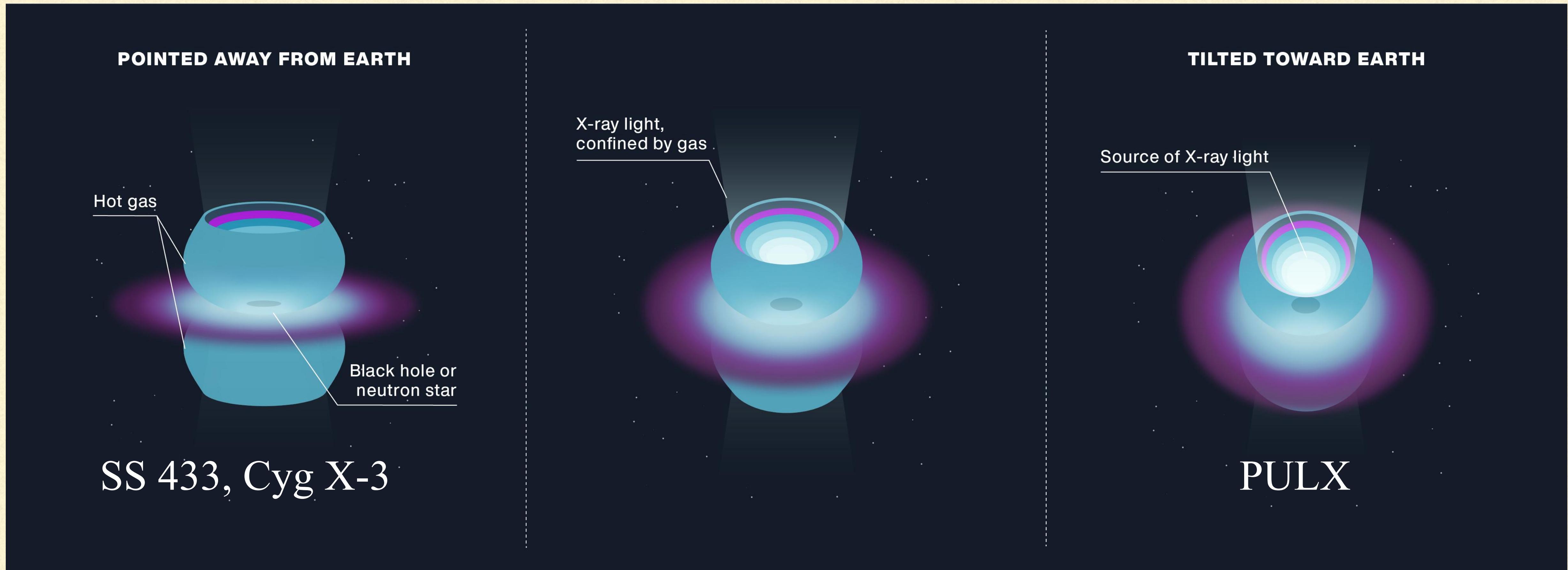
accretion subcritical

$$L_X \approx 0.1 \dot{M} c^2$$

$$L_X \approx 9 \times 10^{37} \dot{\nu}_{-10}^{7/6} \mu_{32}^{-1/3} \text{ erg/s} < L_{\text{Edd}} \ll 10^{40} \text{ erg/s}$$

The presence of magnetars in PULXs is ruled out, because the large magnetospheric radius coupled with the high accretion rate would spin up the magnetar too quickly.

# All PULXs and (at least) same ULXs are beamed



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# Outreach: the year of the anthropic principle

TEMAT Z OKŁADKI

Wszechświat nie wie o naszym istnieniu

## WZLOT I UPADEK ZASADY ANTROPICZNEJ

Jean-Pierre Lasota

Wiele wydaje się wskazywać, że żyjemy we Wszechświecie, w którym wartości stałych fizycznych są precyjnie ze sobą dostrojone. Nawet najdrobniejsza zmiana którejkolwiek z nich spowodowałaby, że nas by nie było! Ale czy na pewno Wszechświat musi być tak przychylny naszemu istnieniu? A może jest wiele wszechświatów i tylko w jednym z nich doszło do takiego dostrojenia? Czy sam fakt zaistnienia fizyko-chemicznych warunków do powstania życia wystarczy, by ono powstało? Problem w tym, że nawet jego najprostsze formy są niezwykle skomplikowane.

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