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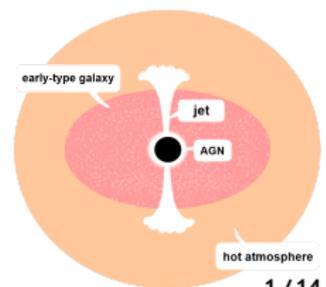
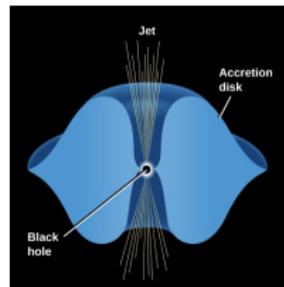
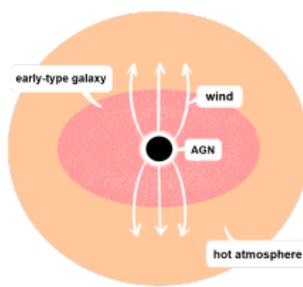
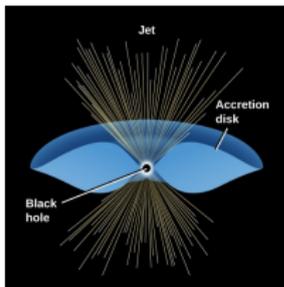
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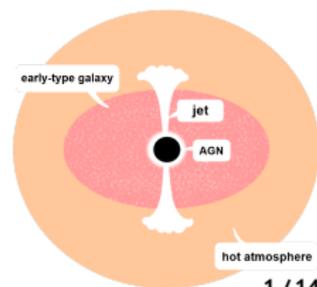
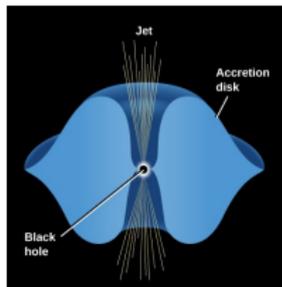
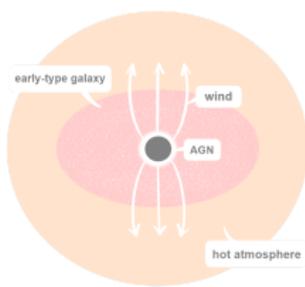
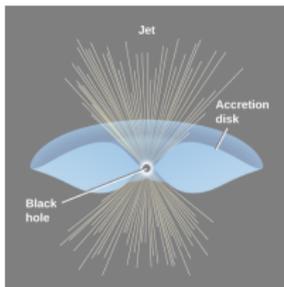
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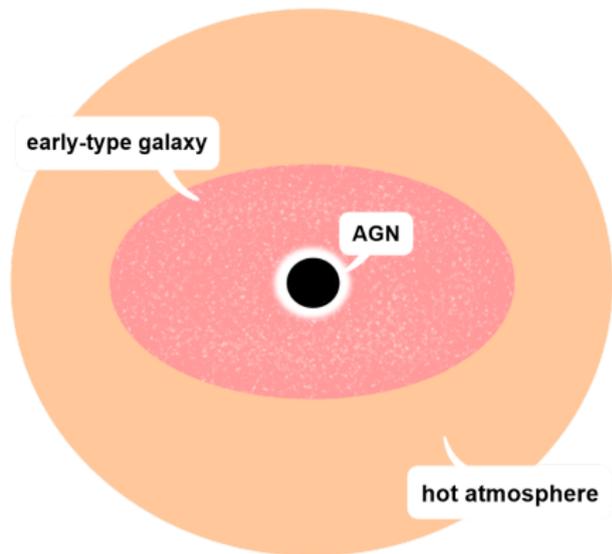
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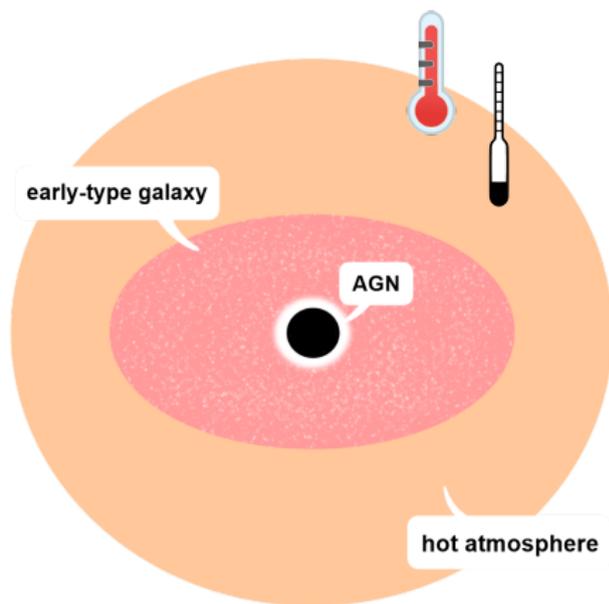
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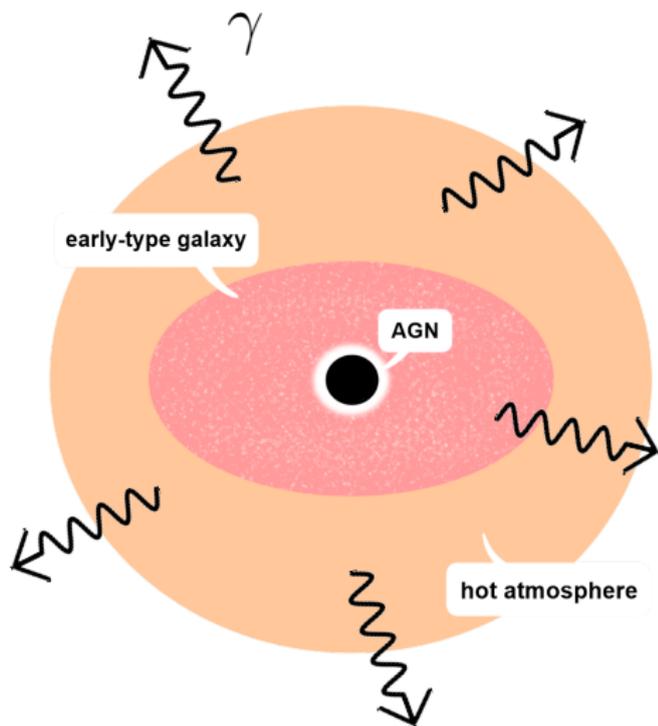
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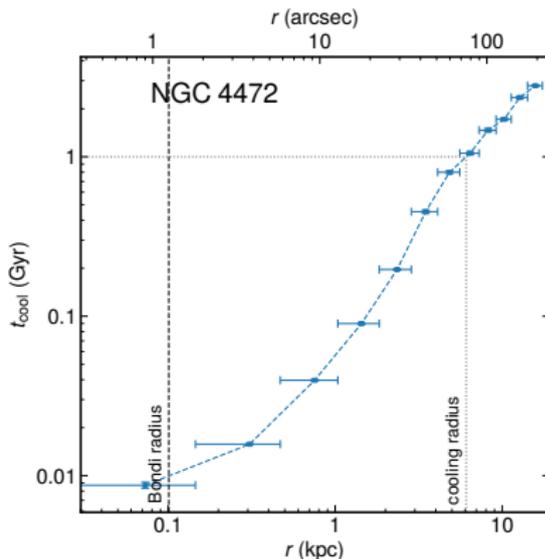
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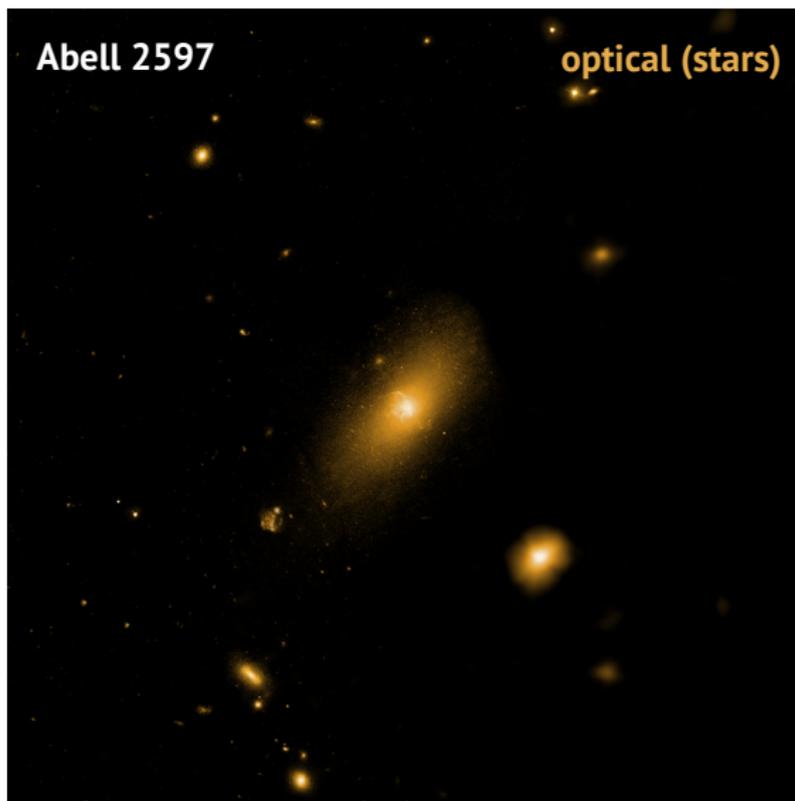
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 - cool radiatively (t_{cool})
 - cold gas ($\text{H}\alpha + [\text{NII}], \text{CO}$)

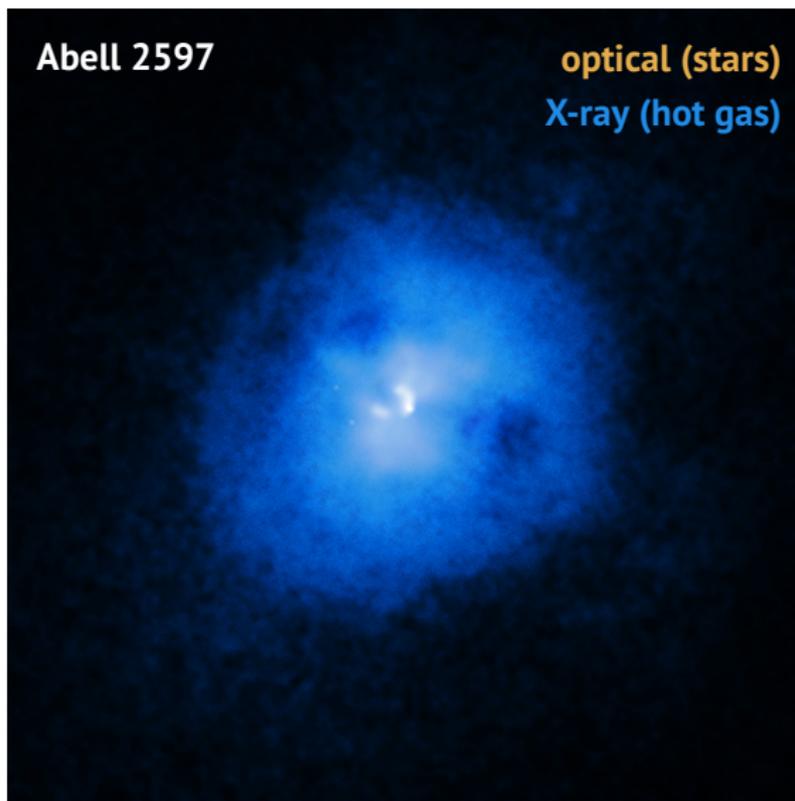
$$t_{\text{cool}} = \frac{\frac{3}{2}nkT}{L_X} \propto \frac{kT}{n}$$



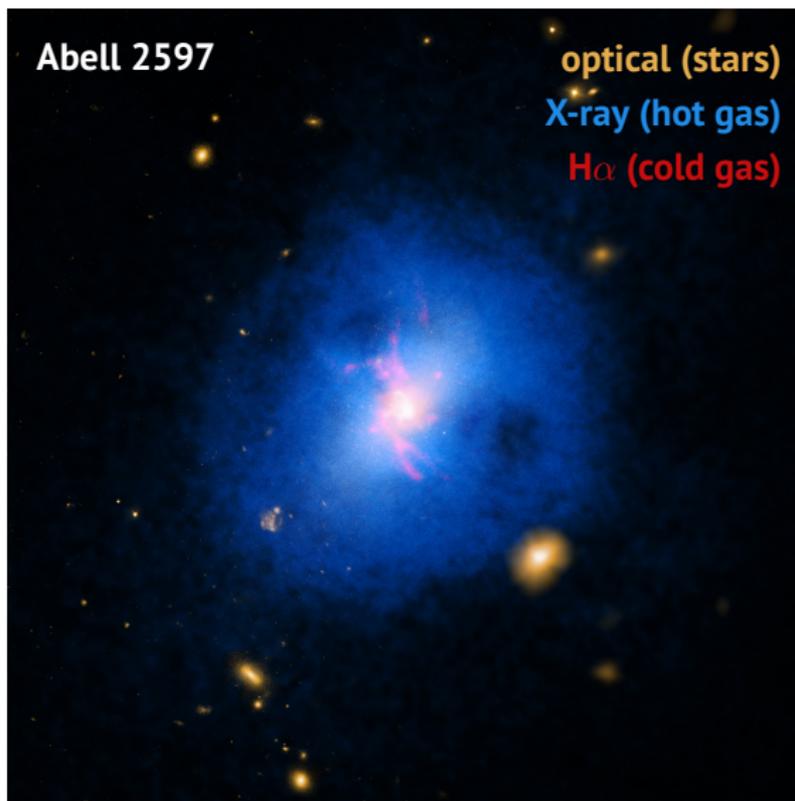
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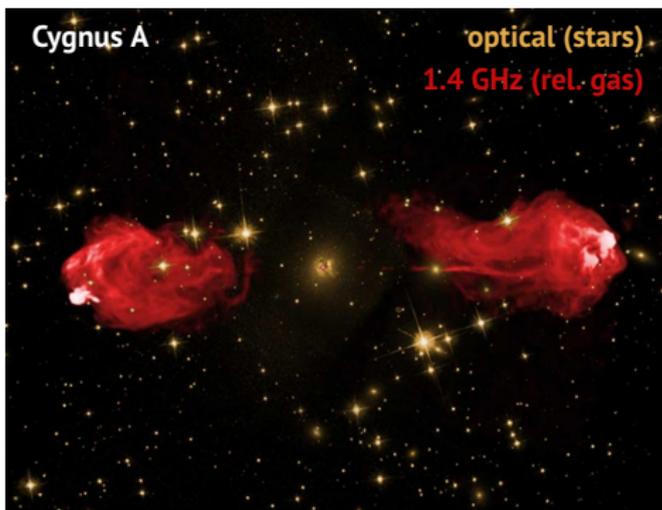


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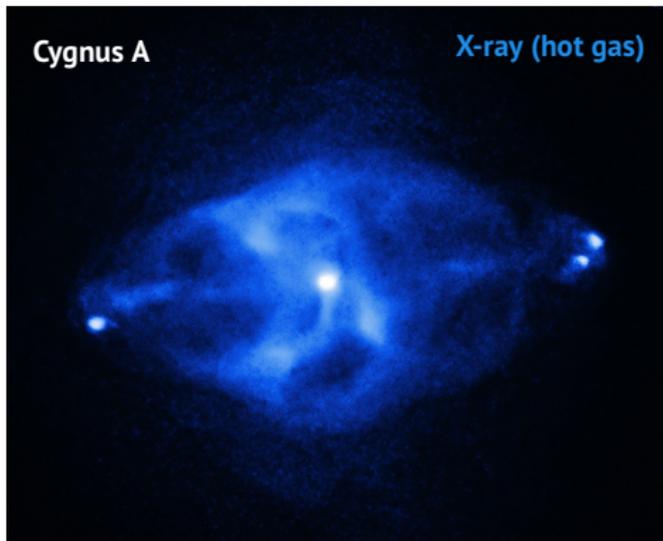
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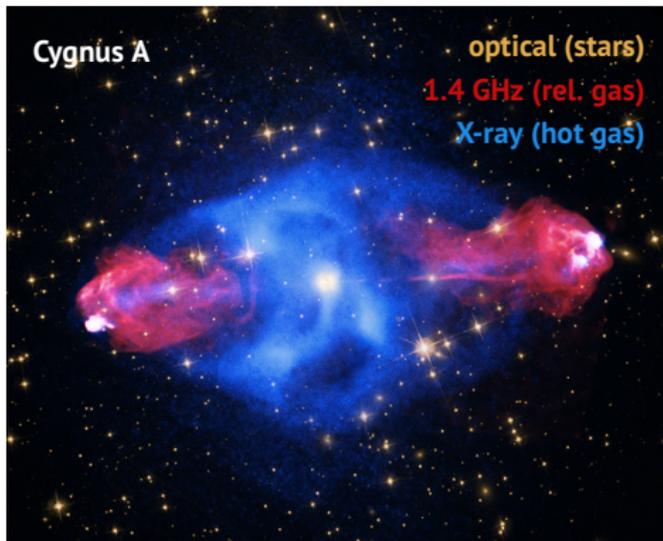
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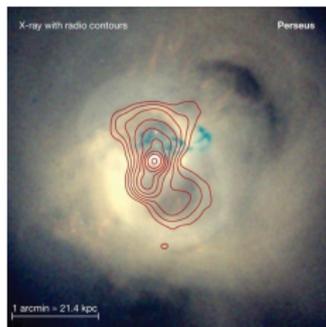
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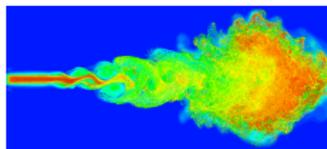
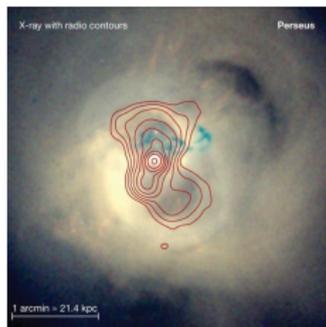
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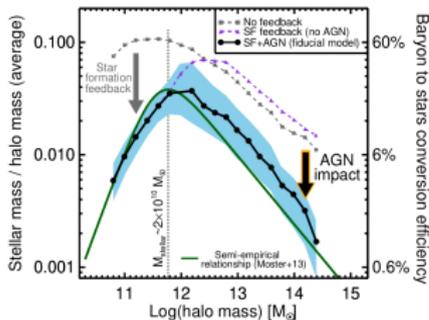
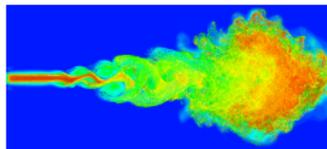
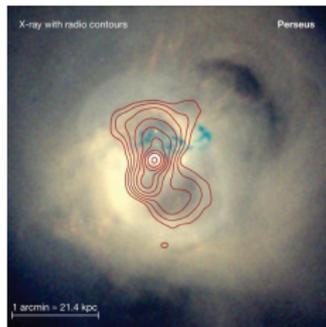
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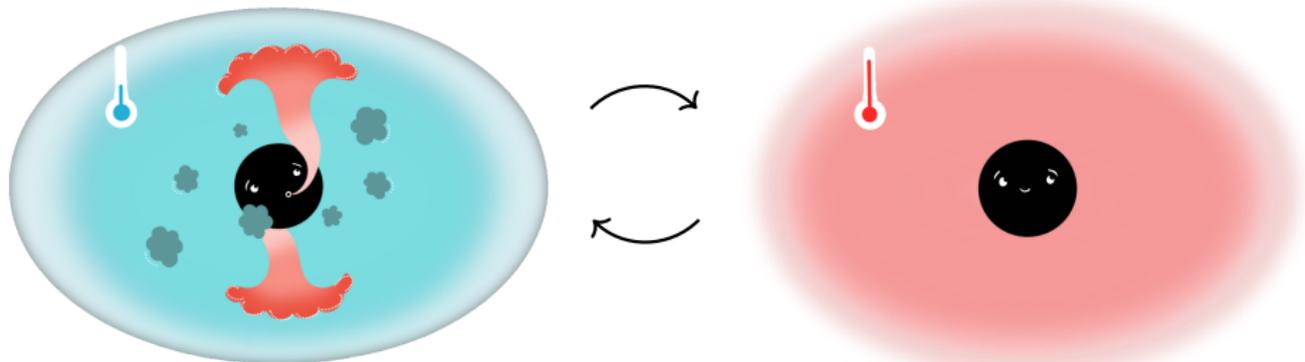
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- heats the galactic atmosphere
 - prevents star formation
 - regulates further accretion

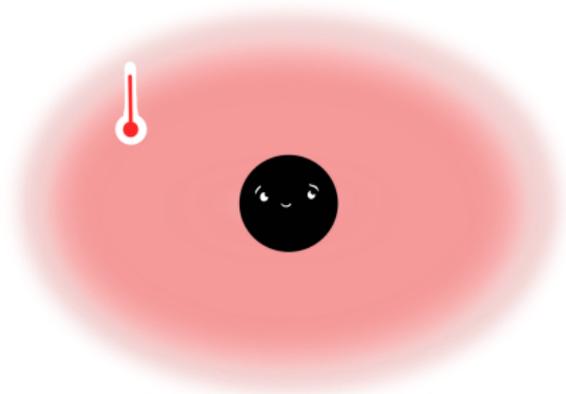
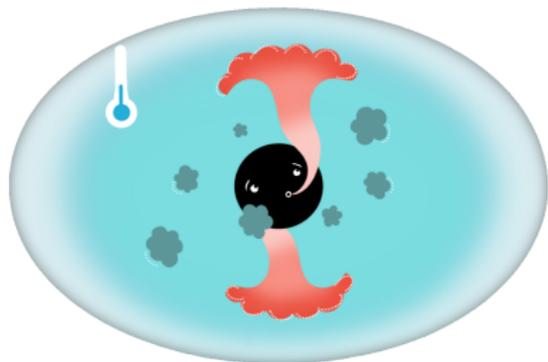
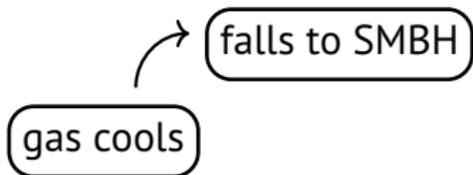


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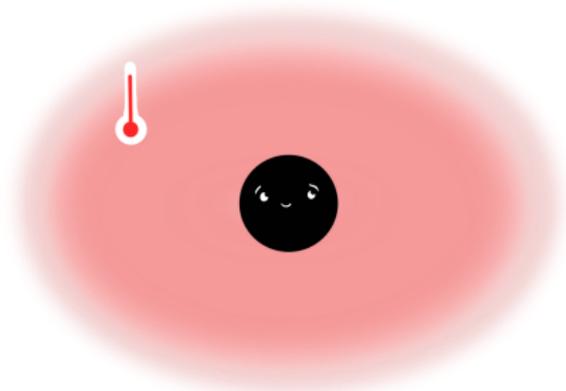
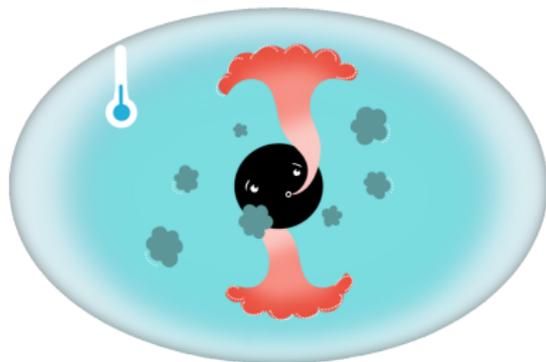
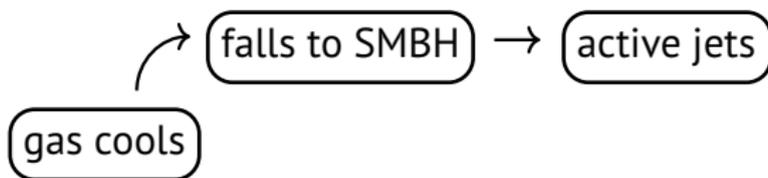
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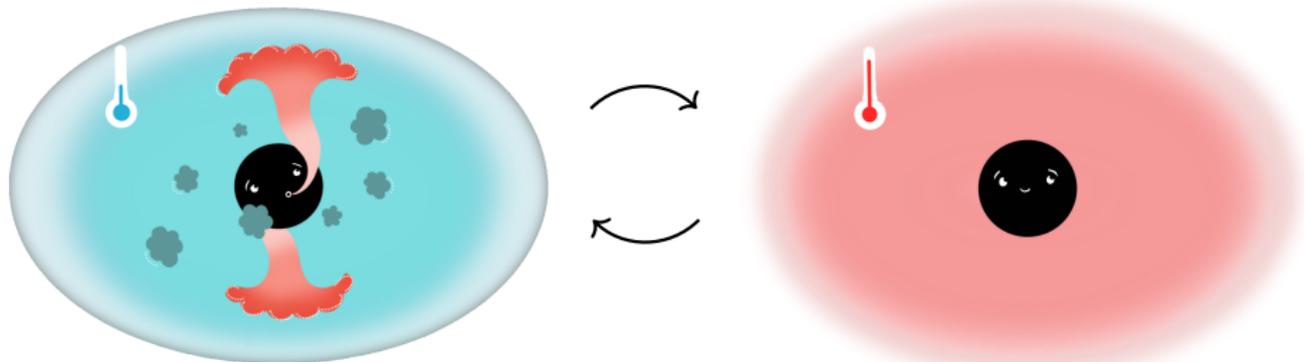
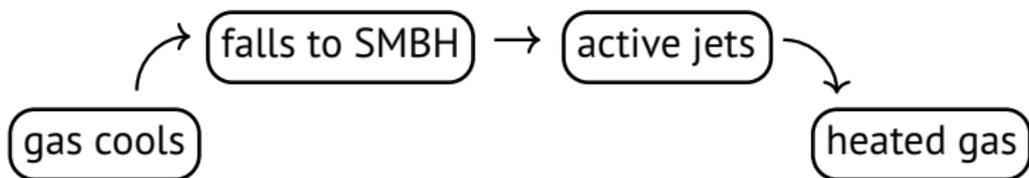
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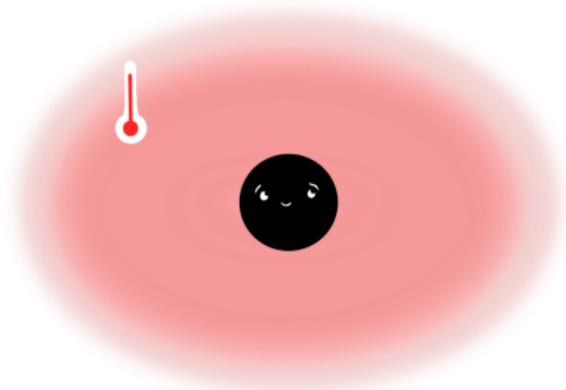
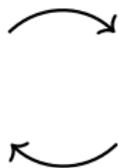
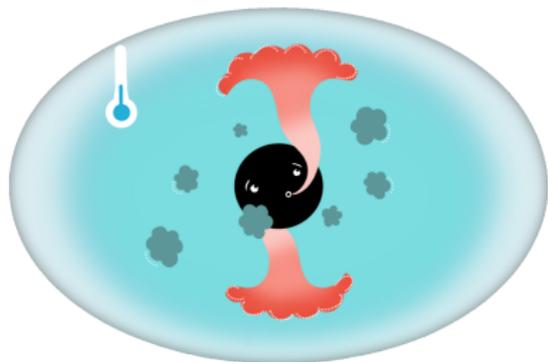
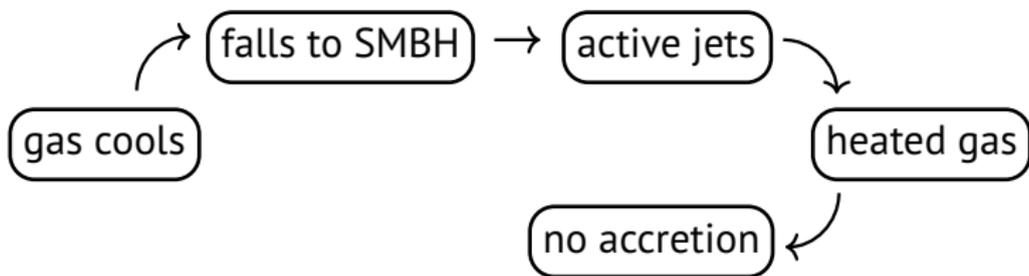
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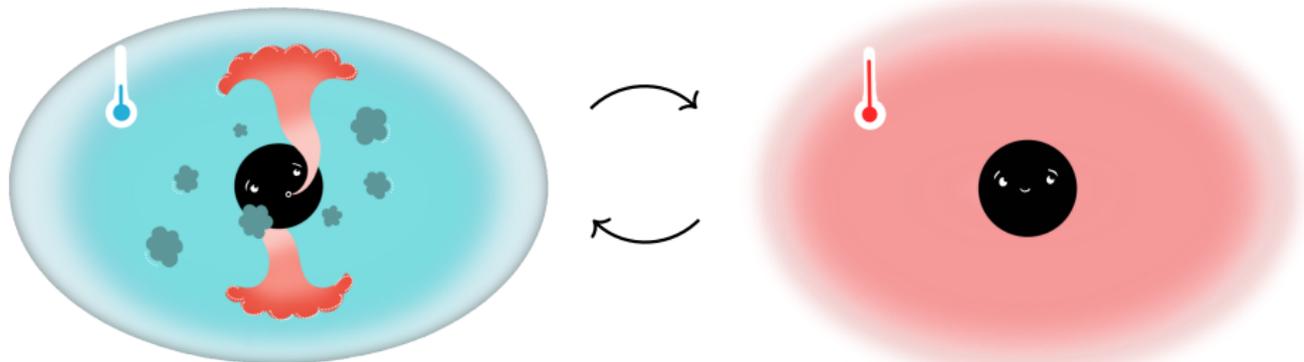
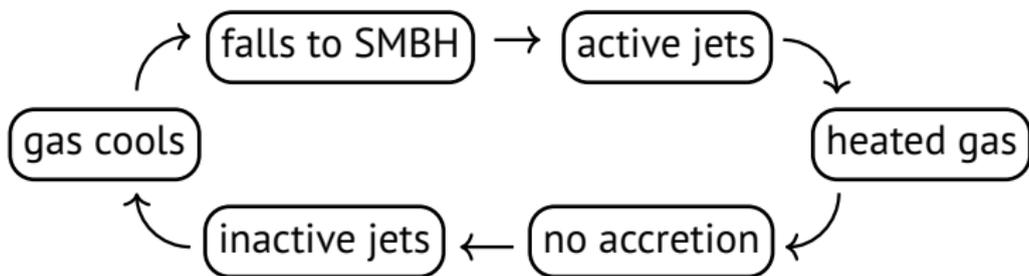
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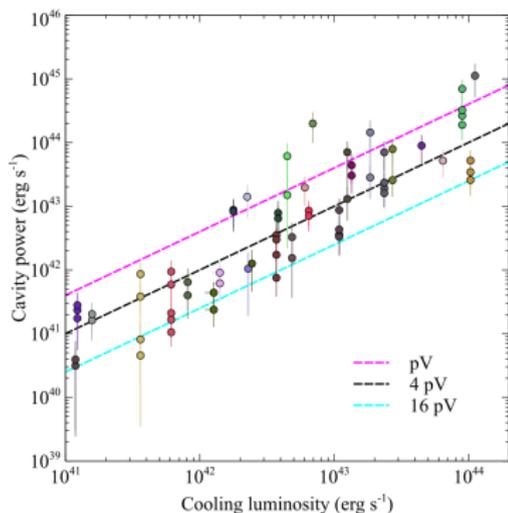


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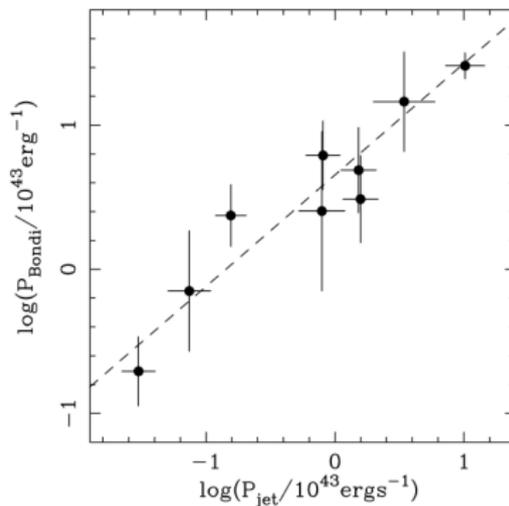
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hot atmosphere



Credit: Panagoulia et al. 2014

central engine



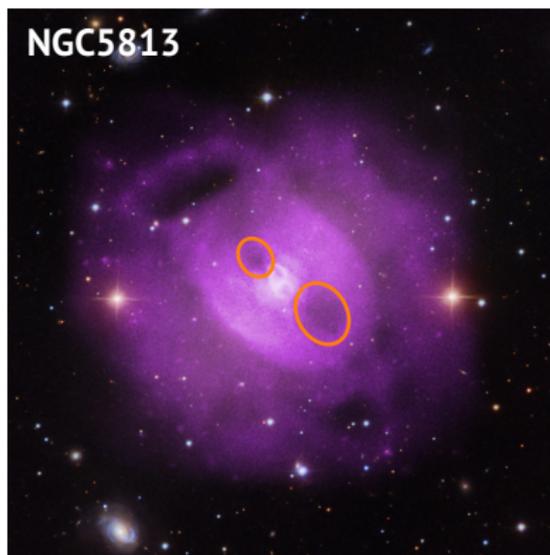
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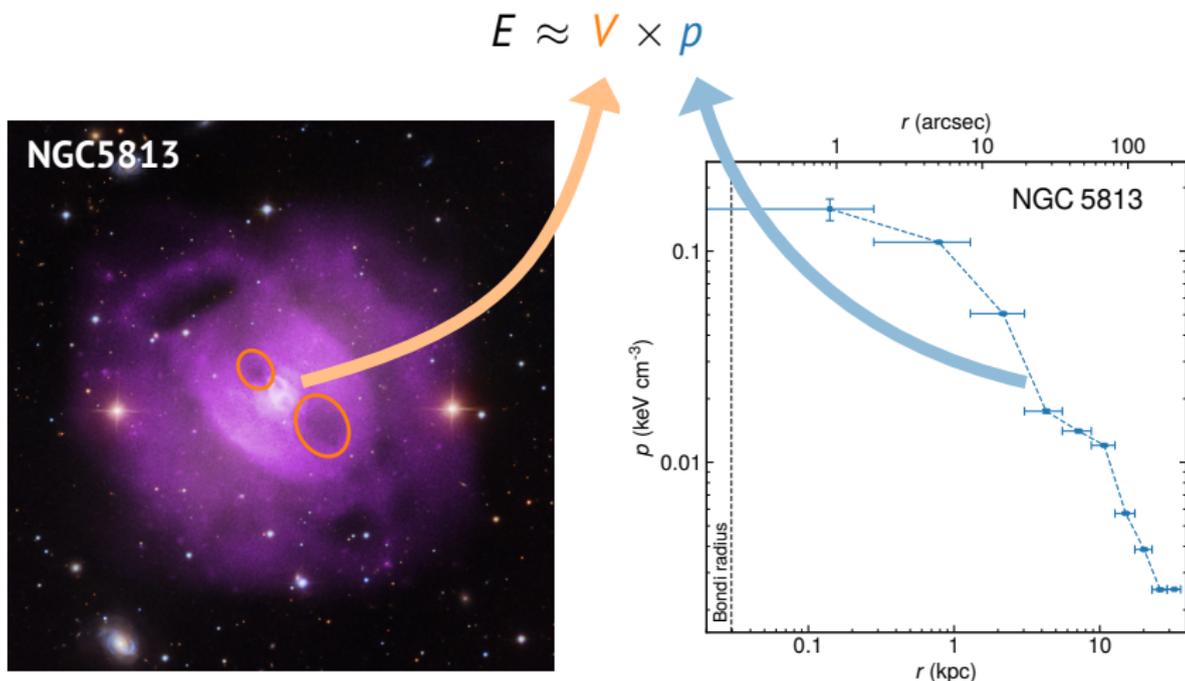
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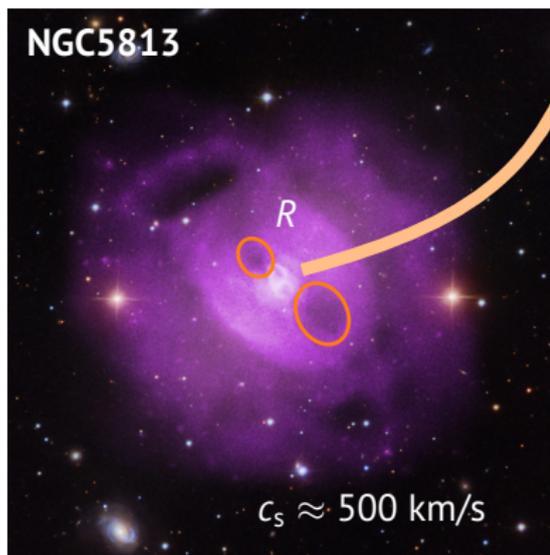
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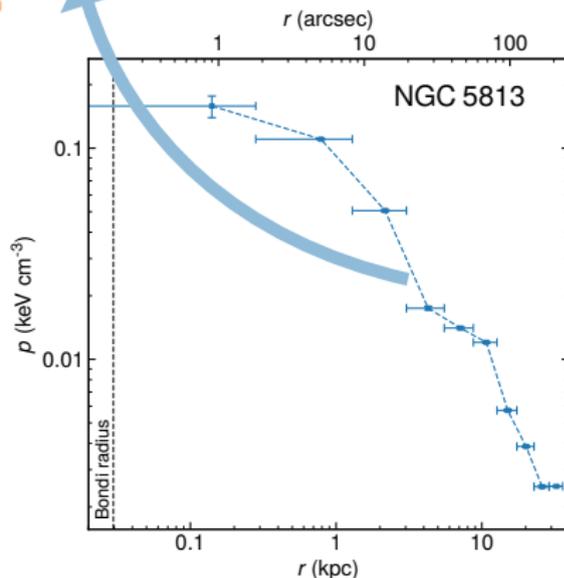
$$t_{\text{age}} = \frac{R}{c_s}$$

$$E \approx V \times p$$

$$P_{\text{jet}} = \frac{pV}{t_{\text{age}}}$$



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Broad range of jet powers

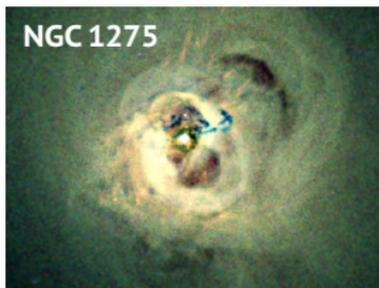


galaxies/groups

$$R \approx 1 \text{ kpc}$$

$$E \approx 10^{56} \text{ erg}$$

$$P_{\text{jet}} = 10^{41} - 10^{43} \text{ erg/s}$$

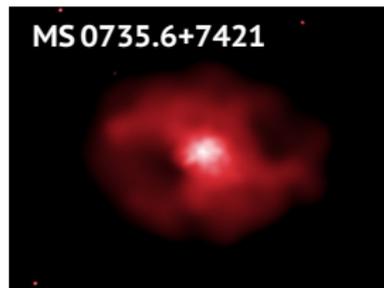


brightest cluster galaxies

$$R \approx 10 \text{ kpc}$$

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galaxy clusters

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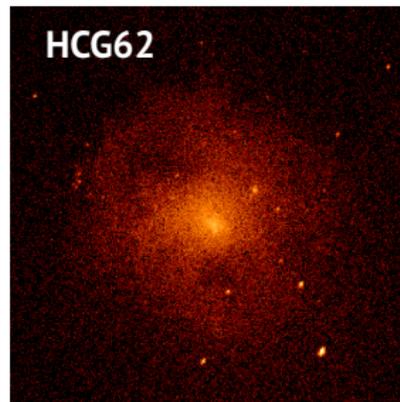
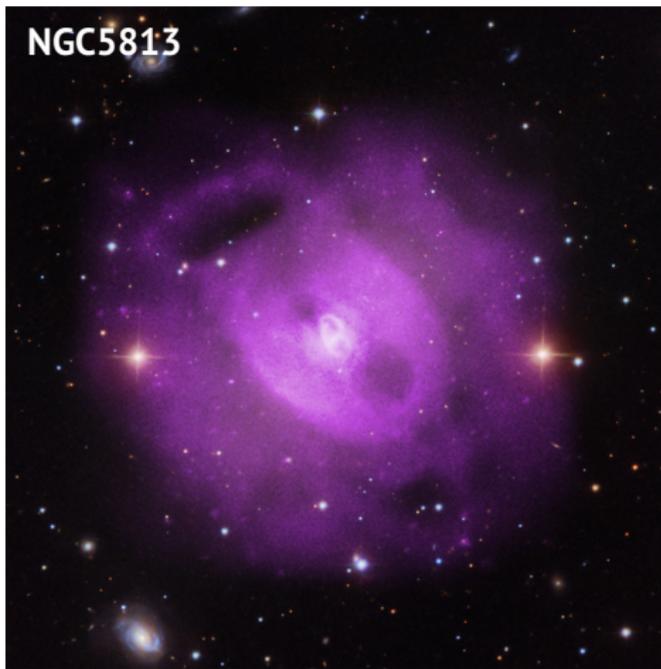
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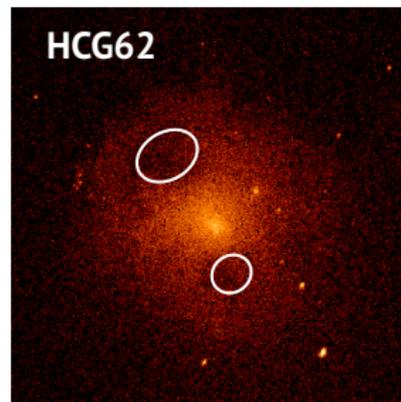
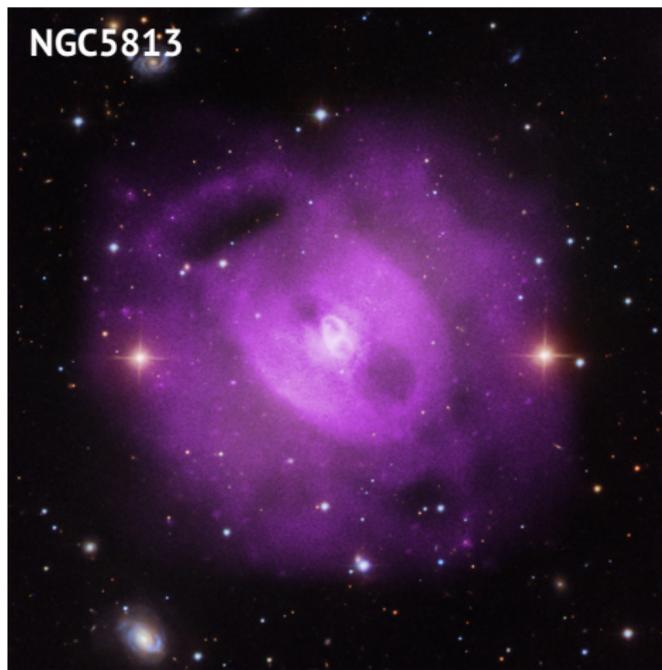
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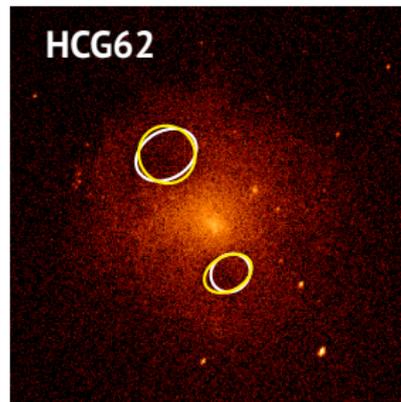
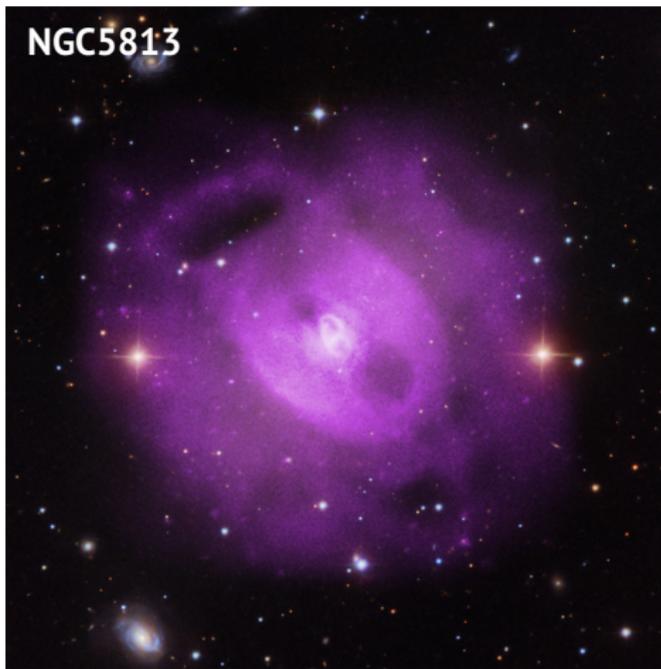
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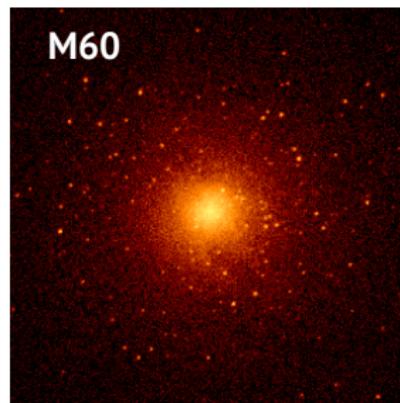
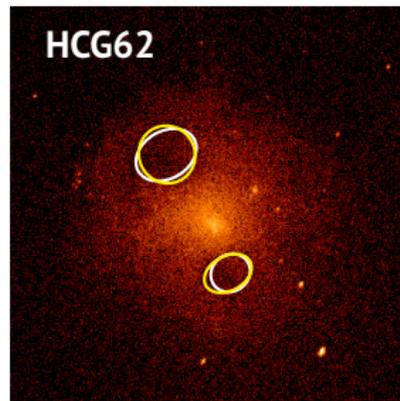
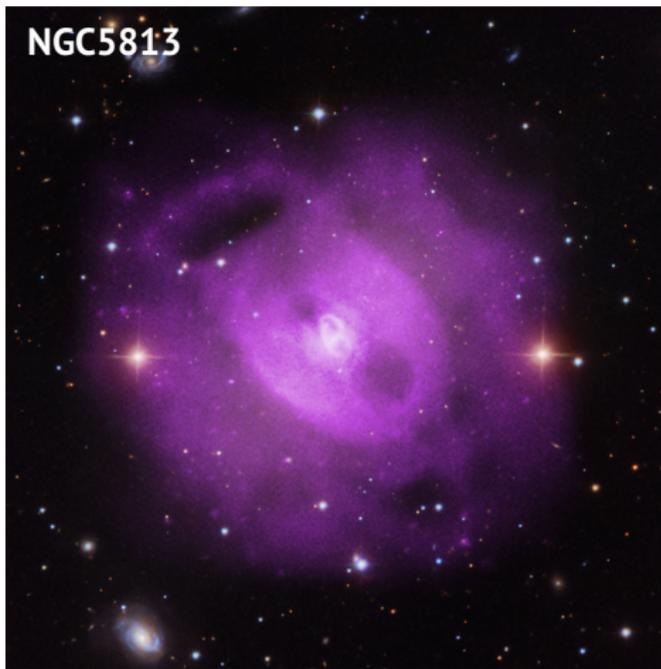
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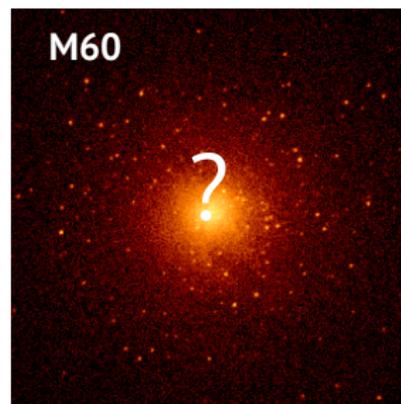
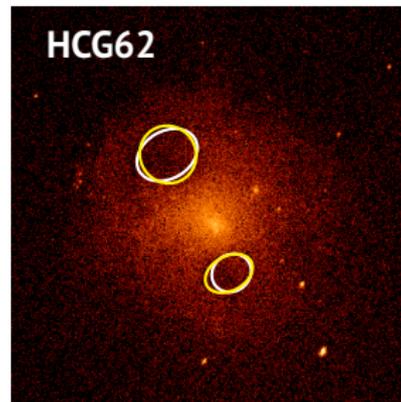
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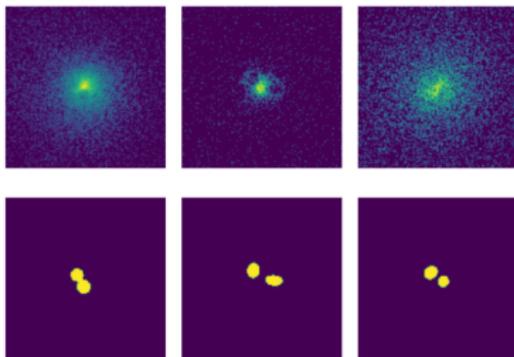
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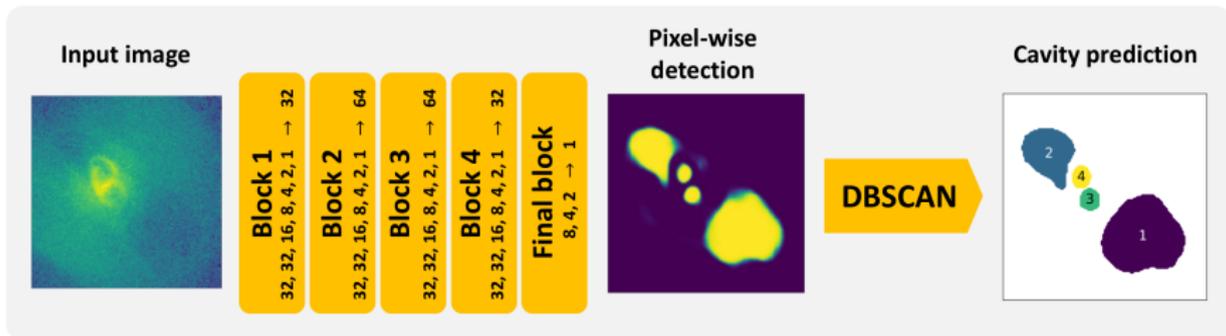
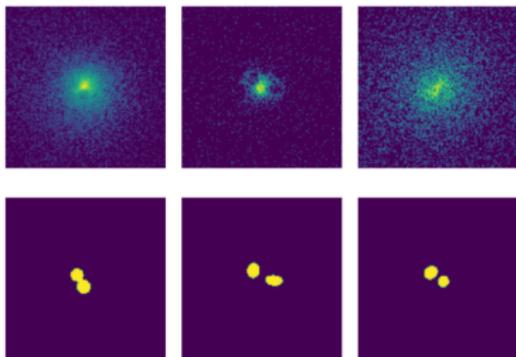
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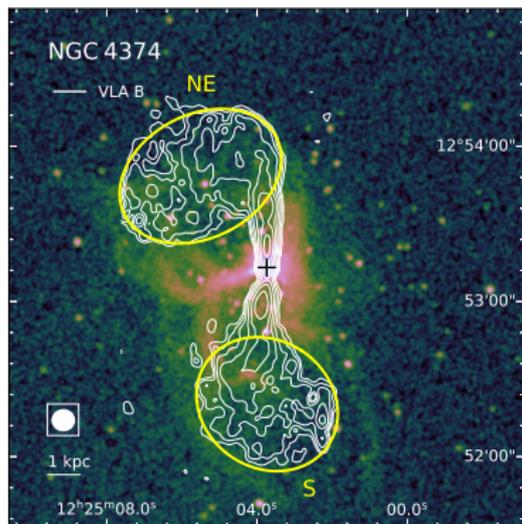
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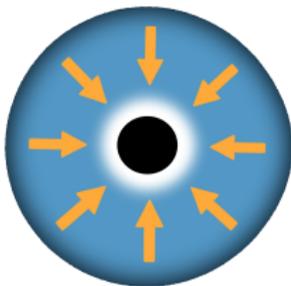
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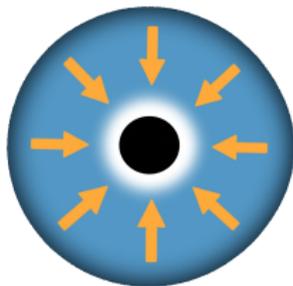
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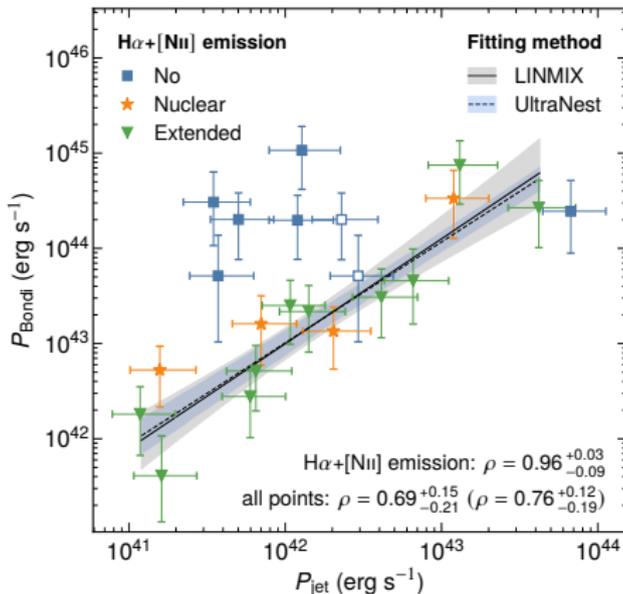
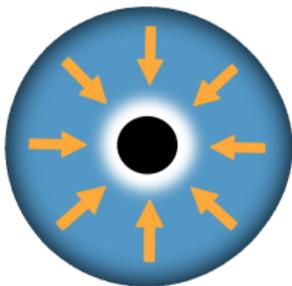
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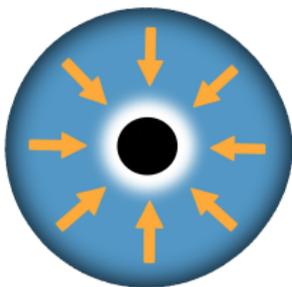
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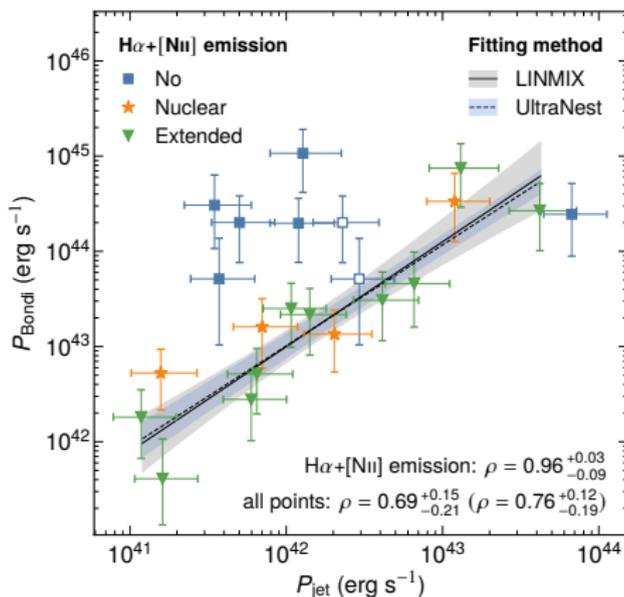
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$$P_B \propto P_{\text{jet}}^{1.1 \pm 0.2} \quad P_{\text{jet}} \approx 0.01 \dot{m}_B c^2$$

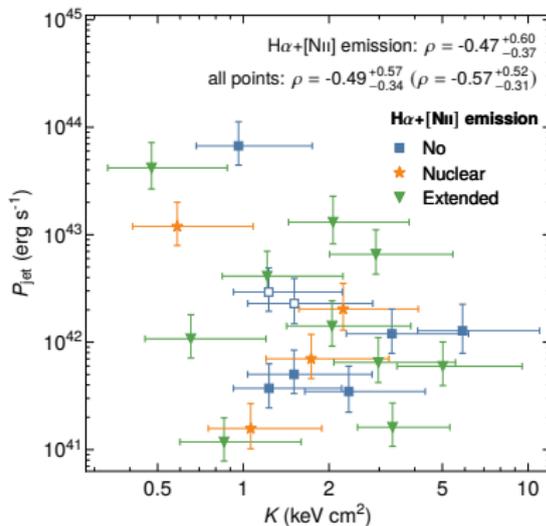
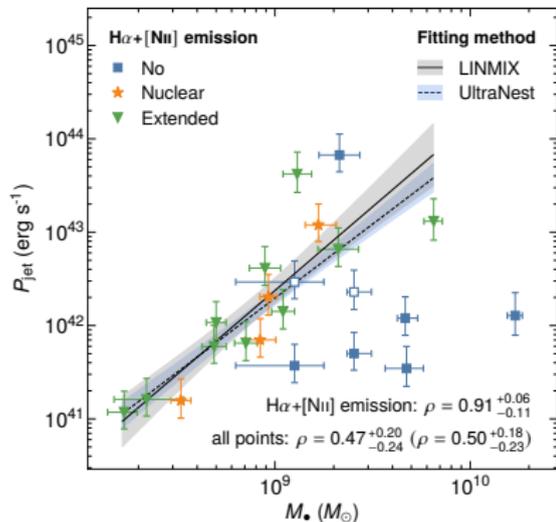


Underlying dependence on SMBH mass

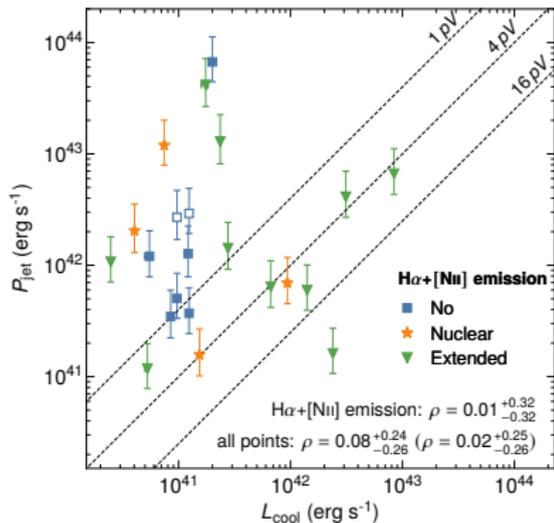
$$P_B \propto M_\bullet^2 \rho kT^{-3/2} \propto M_\bullet^2 K^{-2/3}$$

$$P_{\text{jet}} \propto M_\bullet^{1.80 \pm 0.36}$$

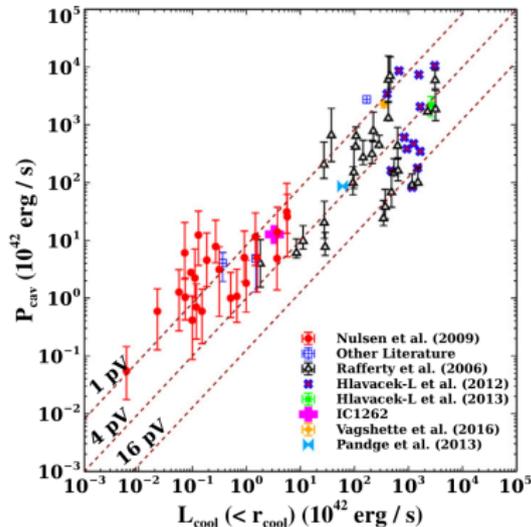
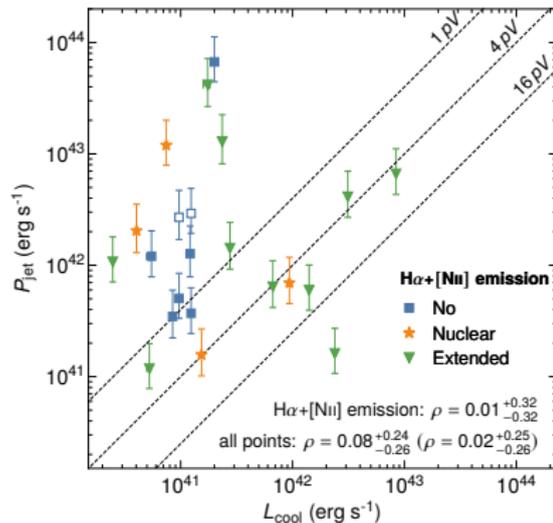
$$P_{\text{jet}} \neq f(K)$$



Lack of balance between heating and cooling?

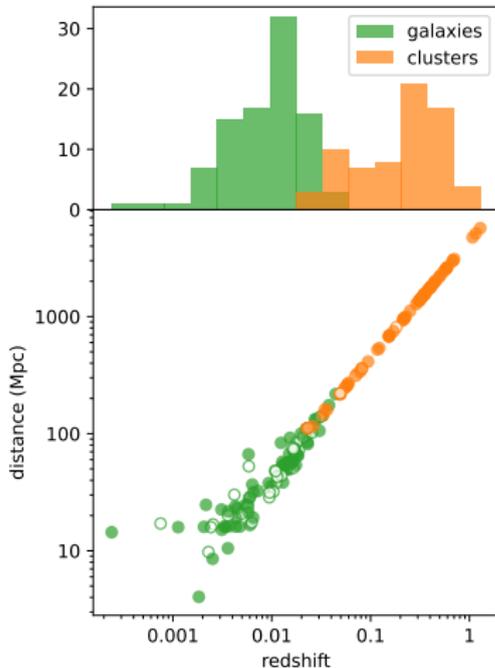


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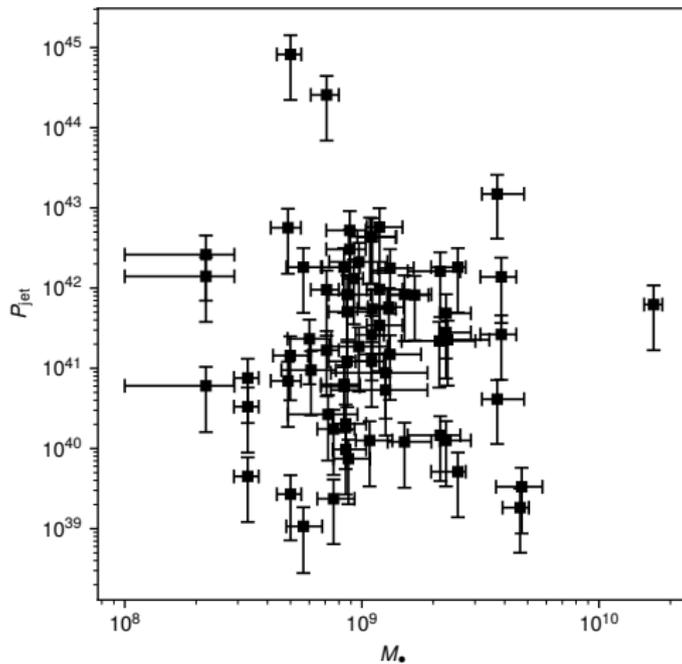


Extending the sample

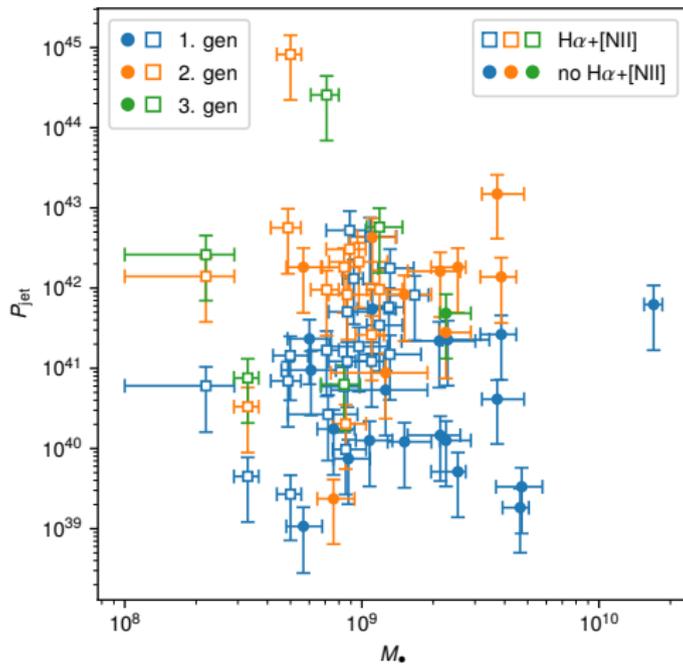
- archival *Chandra* data
- objects with known cavities
 - no strict selection criteria
 - not a duty cycle study
- planned:
 - 100 early-type galaxies
 - + 60 galaxy clusters
- currently analyzed:
 - ≈ 50 early-type galaxies
 - 80 X-ray cavities (CADET)
 - + thermodynamic profiles



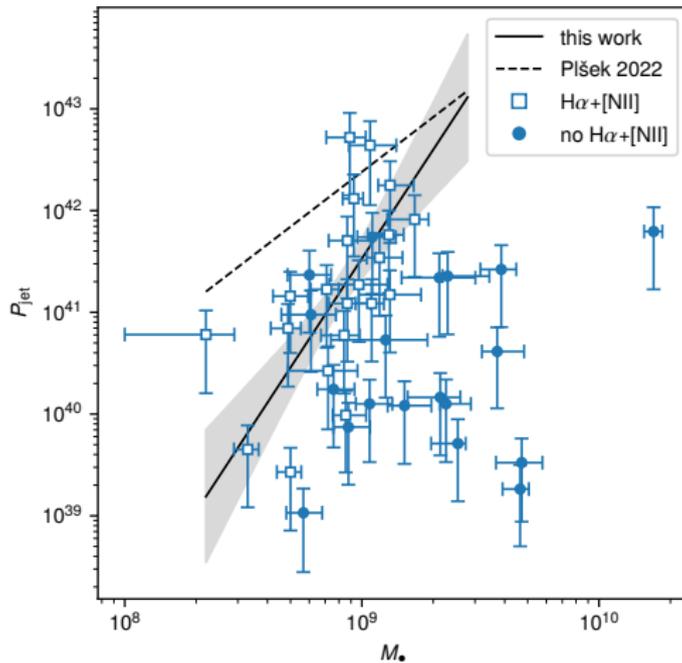
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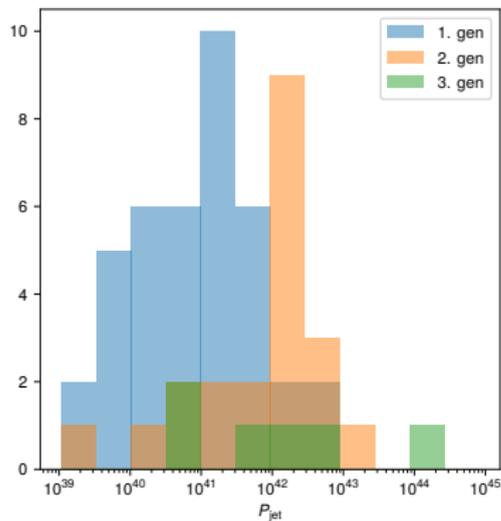
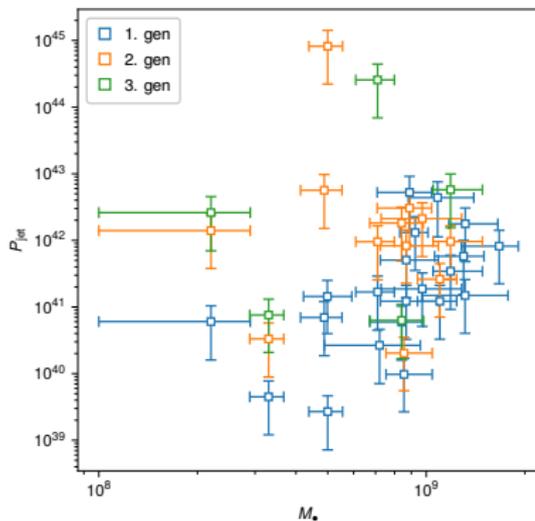


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projection effects?



Future work

- enlarge the sample ($\gtrsim 160$ sources)
 - suggestions or cavity candidates?
- probe other properties
 - kT , M_{500} , L_X , K , thermal state of atmosphere ($H\alpha$)
 - L_{AGN} , galaxy morphology?
- large X-ray cavity sample statistics
 - general characteristics
 - cavity flattening, positional/rotational angles
 - jet precession (on big timescales)?