

## X-ray telescope & X-ray Universe

“The Birth and the current status of X-ray Astronomy”

-- **Riccardo Giacconi**的研究工作

報告人：許瑞榮 (成大物理系 天文實驗室)



“for pioneering contributions to astrophysics, which have led to the discovery of cosmic X-ray sources”

## Riccardo Giacconi

(1931~，生於義大利，現為美國公民)

: X光天文學之父

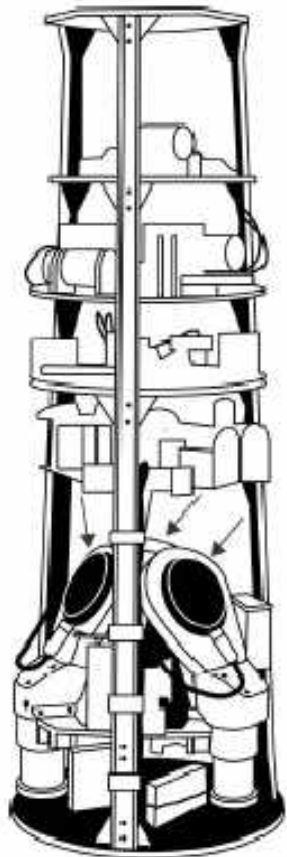
- President of Associated Universities, Inc.
- Research Professor at John Hopkins University



Giacconi的諾貝爾獎獎章

# Giacconi的主要貢獻:

1. Giacconi 與它所帶領的團隊發現了第一個不是來自於太陽的宇宙X光源(1962)



Aerobee rocket

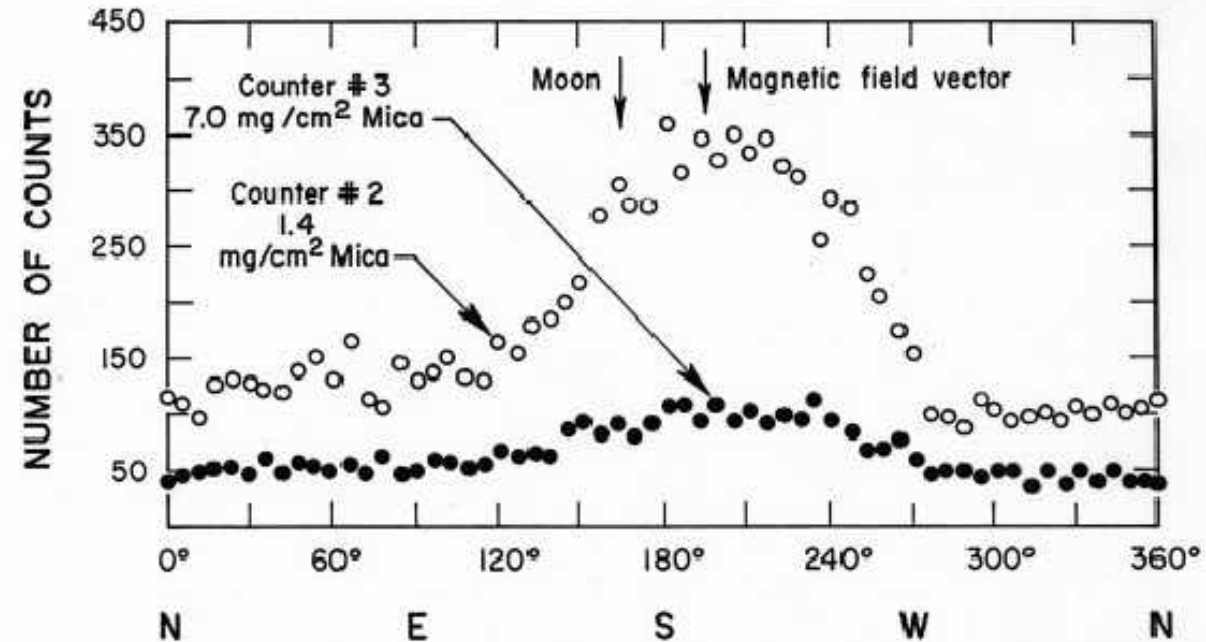
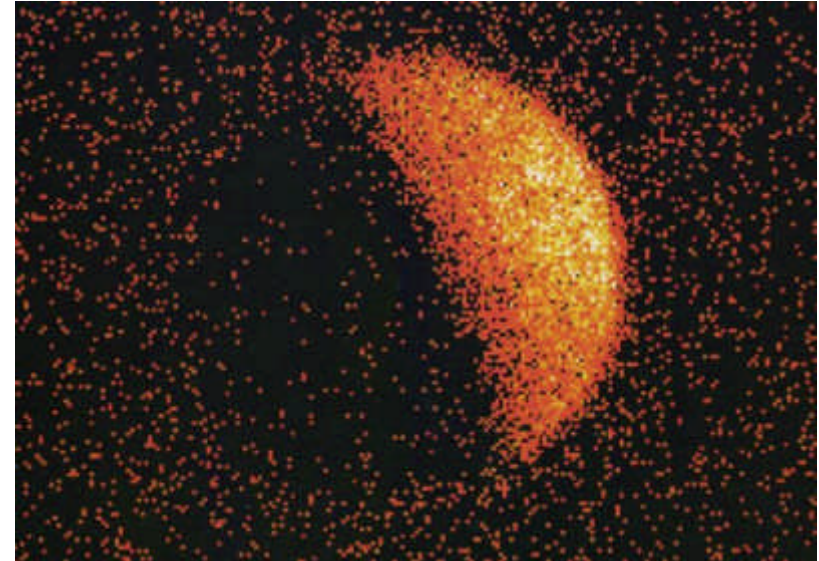


Fig. 8 Recorded counts from the Geiger counters of the payload in fig. 7. The count for two different counters, with different thickness of their Mica-windows, are shown. The results indicate the presence of an X-ray source, different from the Moon. A cosmic background radiation is also suggested.

# X-光天文學的開創年代

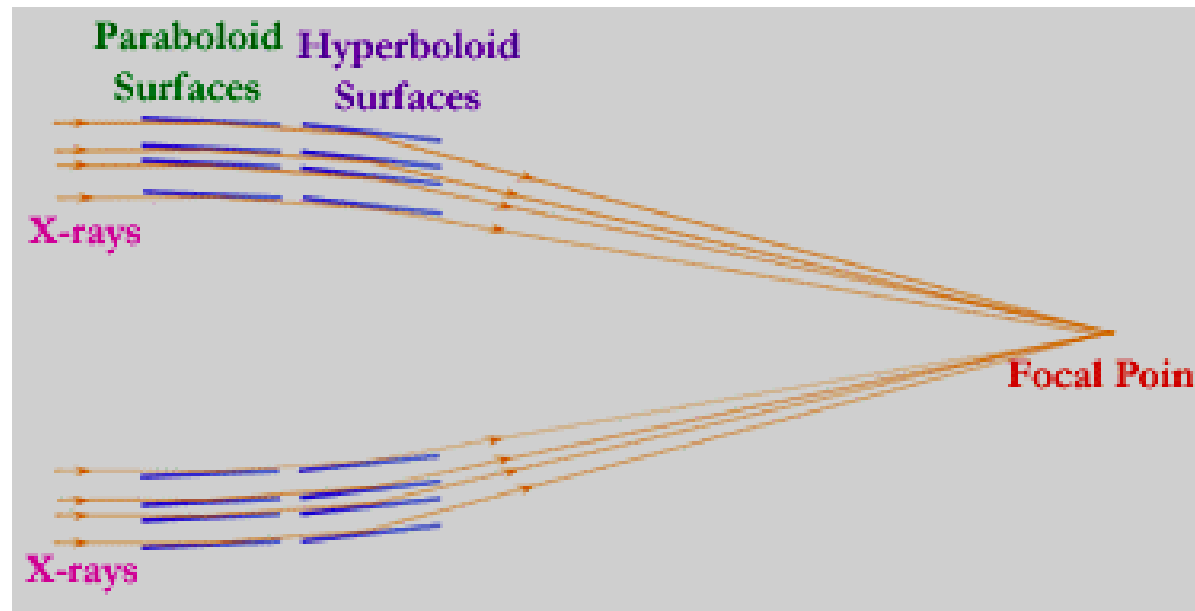
- 1949年，H. Friedman與他在NRL(US Naval Research Laboratory)的研究群，利用德國所發展的V2火箭，載著蓋格計升空，發現了太陽會輻射X-光。
- 1958年，NRL研究群利用日食的機會，驗證了太陽的X-光是來自於日冕與太陽黑子。



- 1962年，Giacconi的研究群，以載有三個蓋格計的Aerobee 火箭，探測月球表面的太陽X-光反射光。經過兩次的失敗，在第三次發射中，除了觀測到月球表面的反射X-光之外，也意外的發現來自於太陽以外的宇宙X-光源Scorpius X-1.

## 2. X光望遠鏡的研發

- 1959年，Giacconi受僱於私人公司AS&E，從事太空科學研究工作。主要是與MIT的知名宇宙射線學家B. Rossi共同發展X-光天文學。
- 1960年，Giacconi與Rossi共同發表建造X-光望遠鏡的構想。之後，Giacconi與他的研究群繼續從事X-光望遠鏡的研發與試驗。

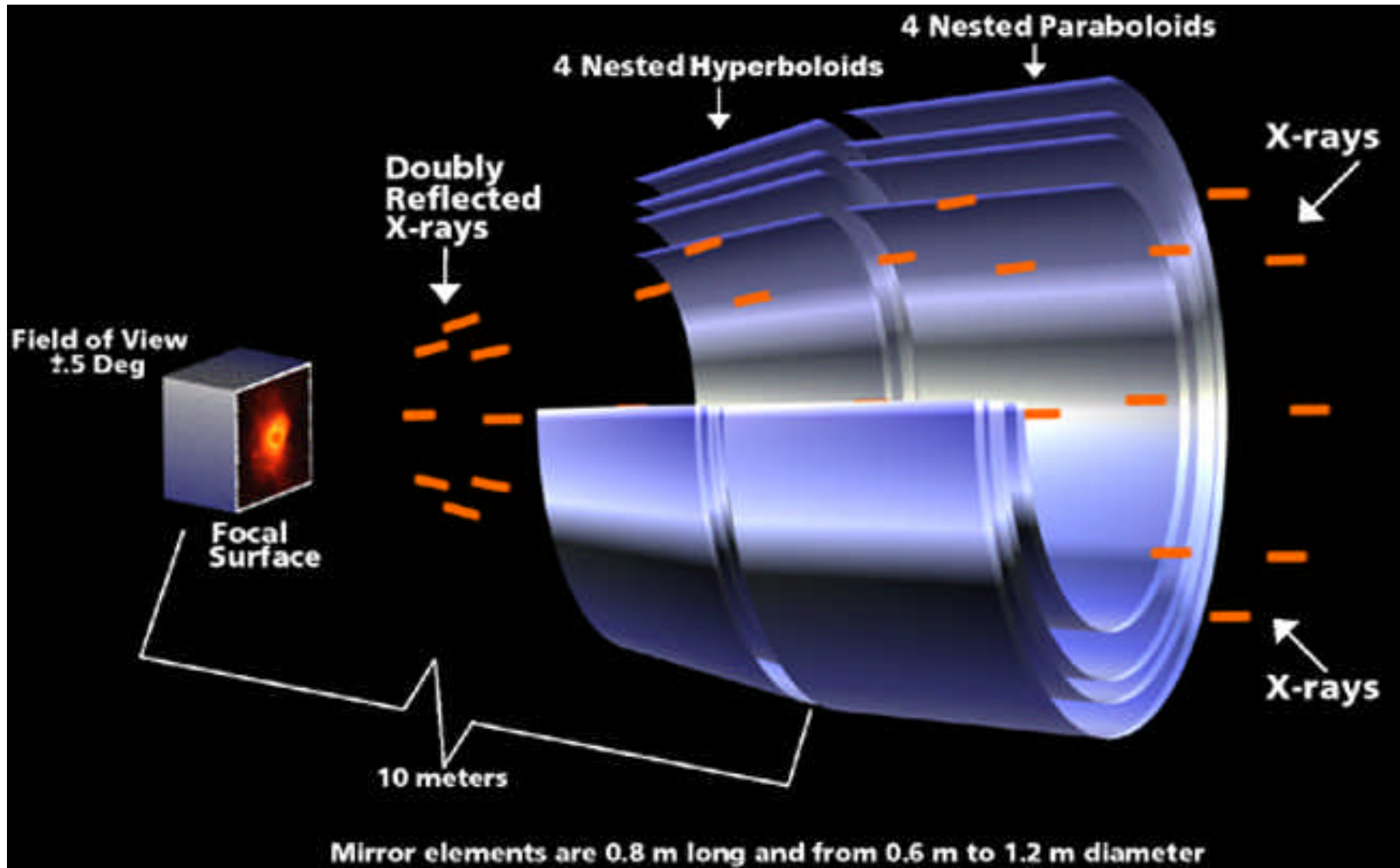


X 光的折射率~1

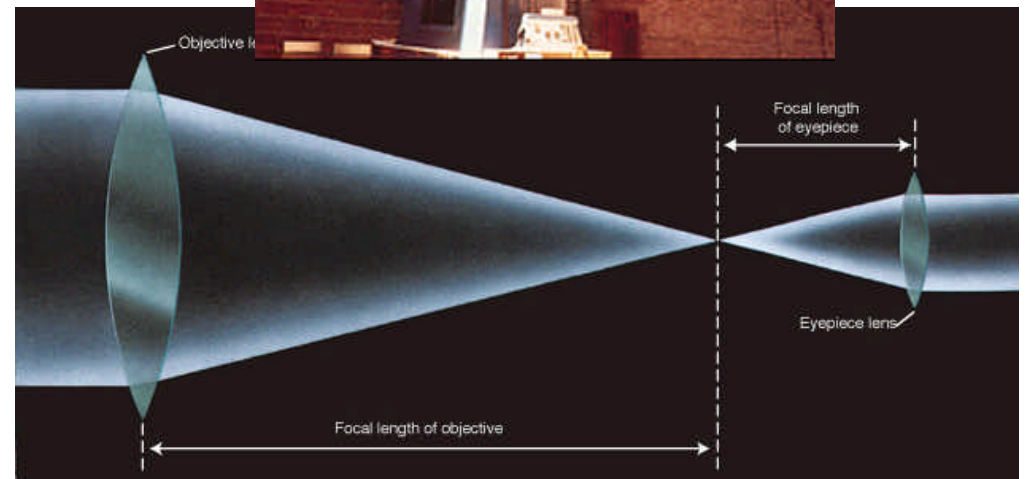
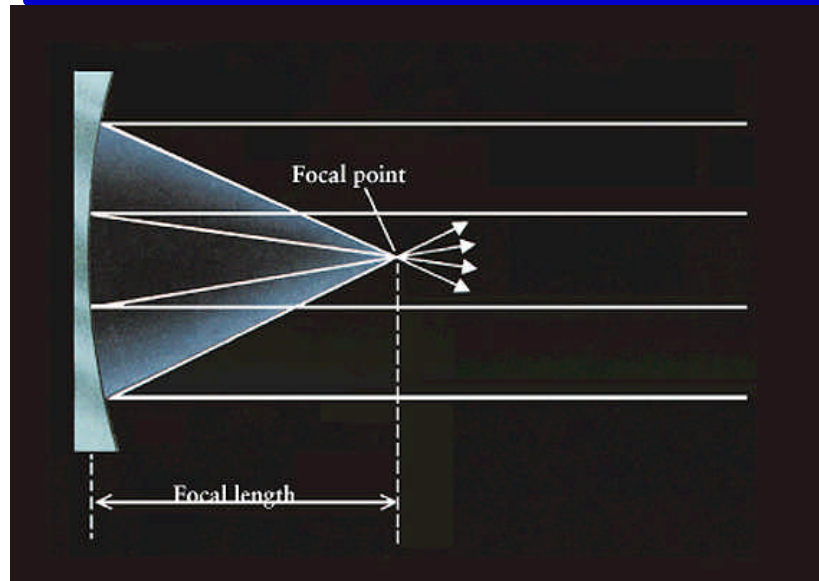
The implementation of focusing optics was a very important step to image the X-ray sky. Giacconi was the main driving force in this development.

# Chandra X-ray Observatory

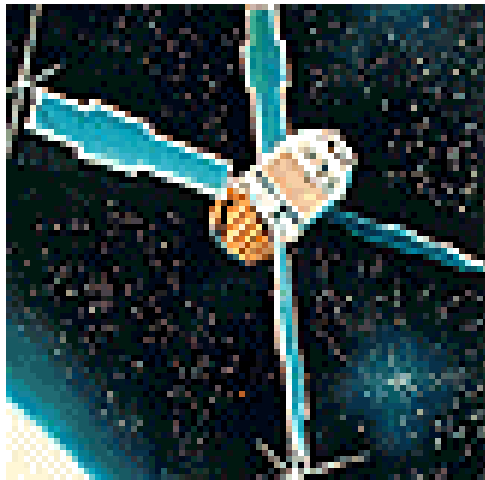
## Schematic of Grazing Incidence, X-ray Mirrors



# 可見光望遠鏡



### 3. 設計並主導NASA的自由號X光人造衛星(Uhuru X-ray satellite) 進而發現第一個黑洞存在的證據。



Uhuru X-ray satellite

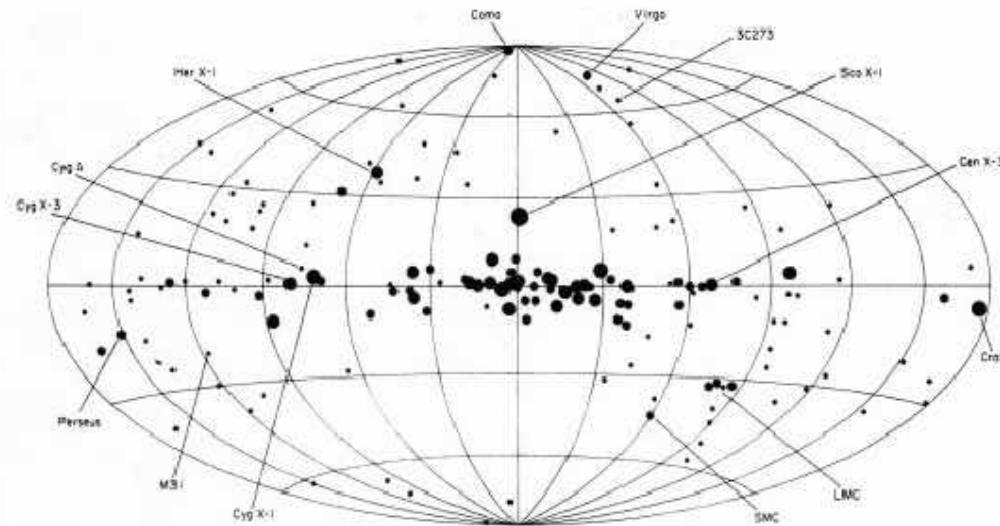
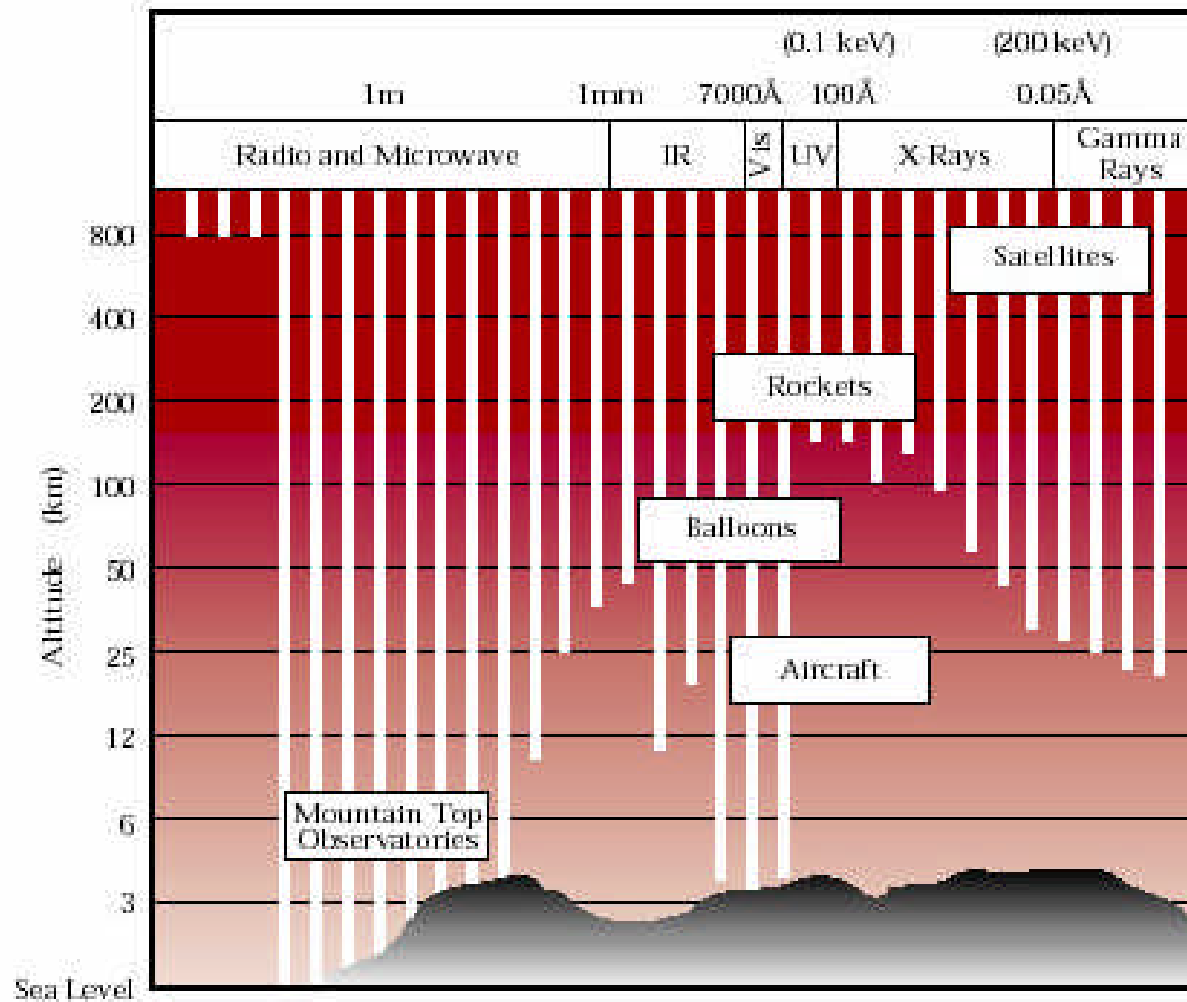


Fig. 9 A map of the X-ray sky in galactic coordinates derived from the 3U Catalog, based on UHURU data. The location of each X-ray source is approximately shown. The size of the dots is proportionate to the logarithm of the intensity. Several of the sources of outstanding astrophysical interest are shown.



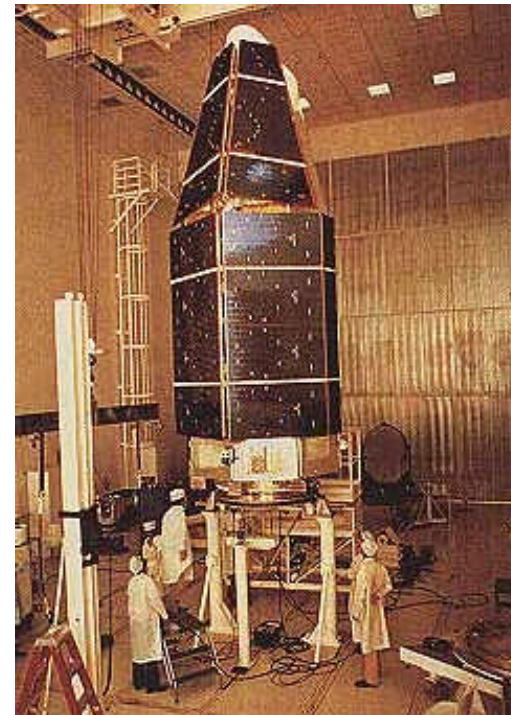


## Atmospheric Window

*The absorption of X rays by the earth's atmosphere restricts ground-based observations to radio, near infrared, and visible wavelengths. X rays are absorbed high above the earth.*

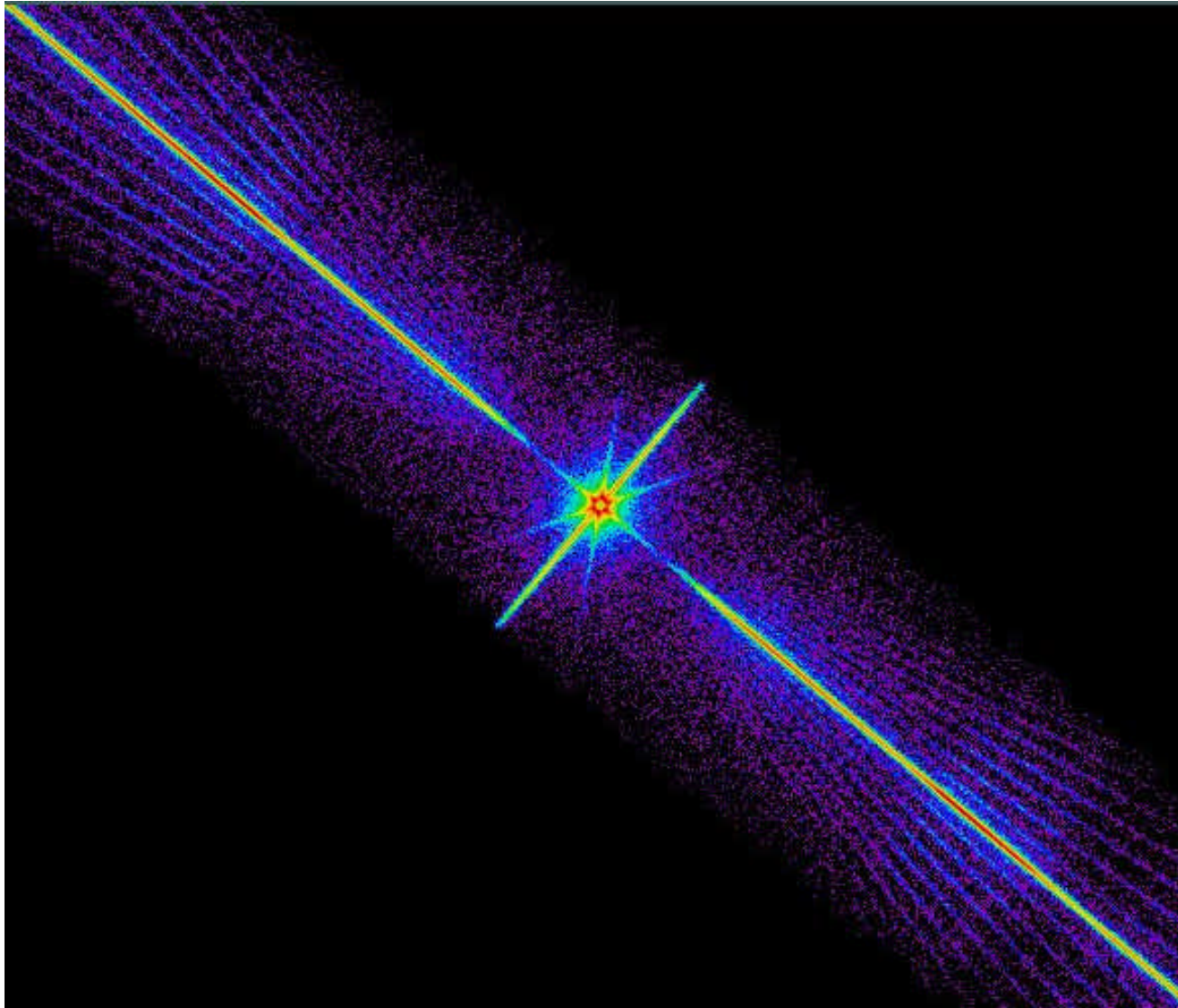
4. The Einstein X-ray Observatory(HEAO 2), the first imaging X-ray telescope, was also a product of Giacconi's team.

### Einstein X-ray telescope



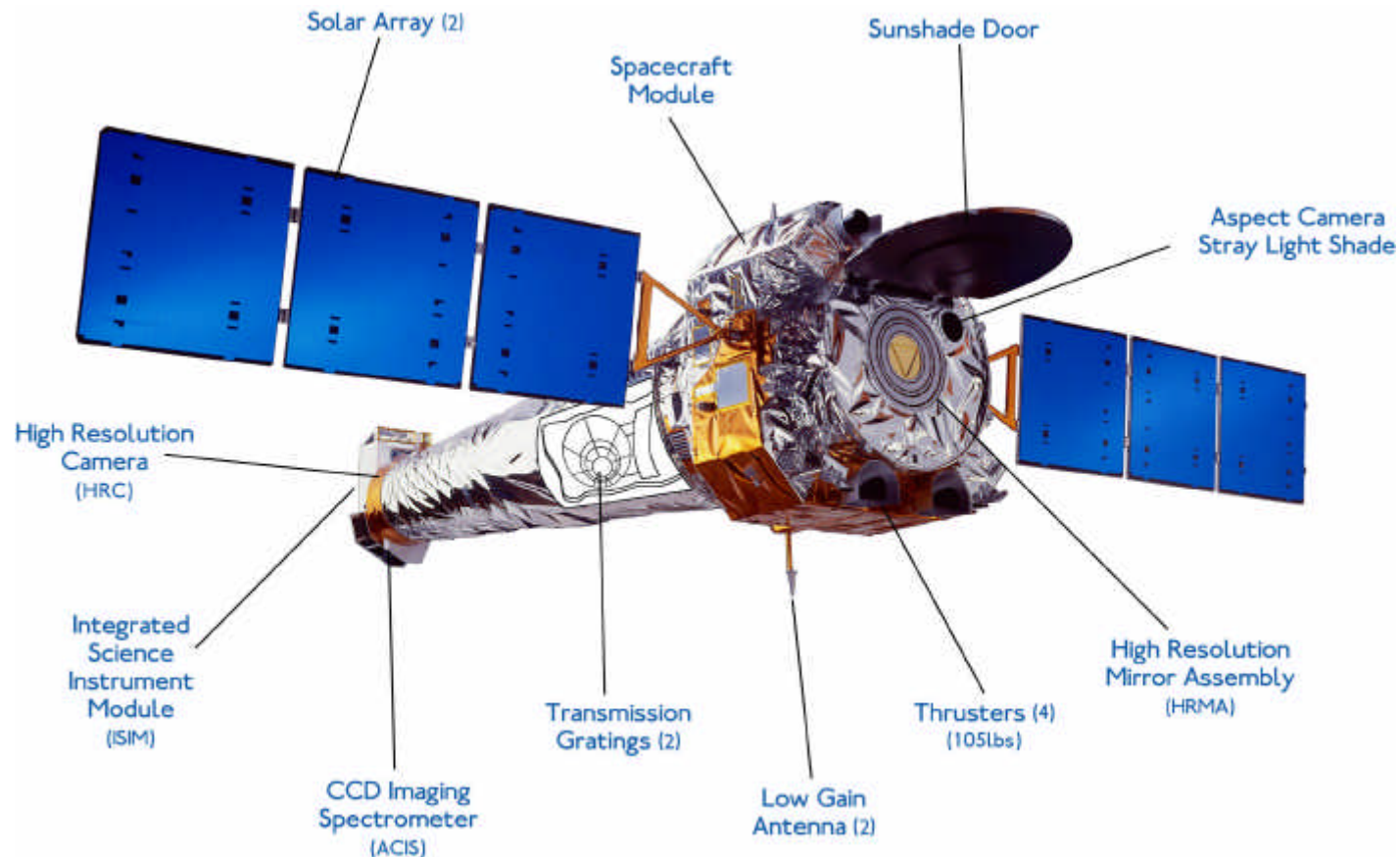
- 1000 times higher sensitivity than UHURU

# X-ray spectroscopy



# Chandra X-ray Observatory

5. Giacconi along with Harvey Tananbaum, now director of the Chandra X-ray Center, submitted a proposal letter to NASA that began the process that led to the development of the Chandra X-ray Observatory.

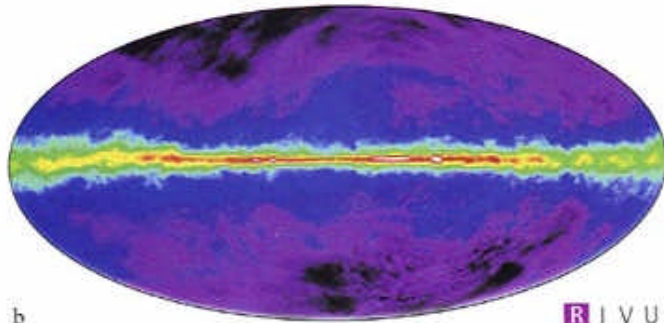


# Universe at different wavelengths



a

R I V U X G



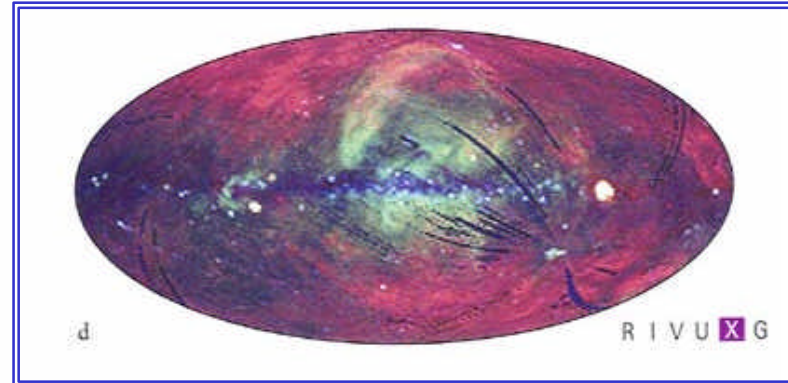
b

R I V U X G



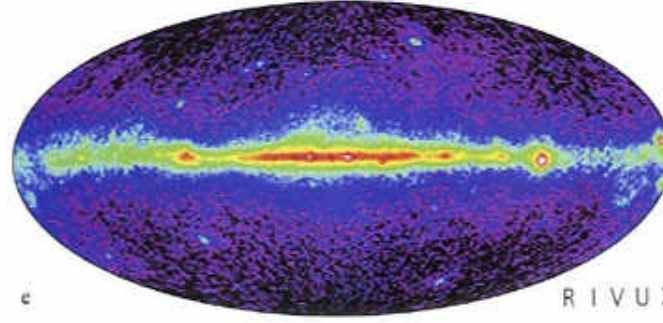
c

R I V U X G



d

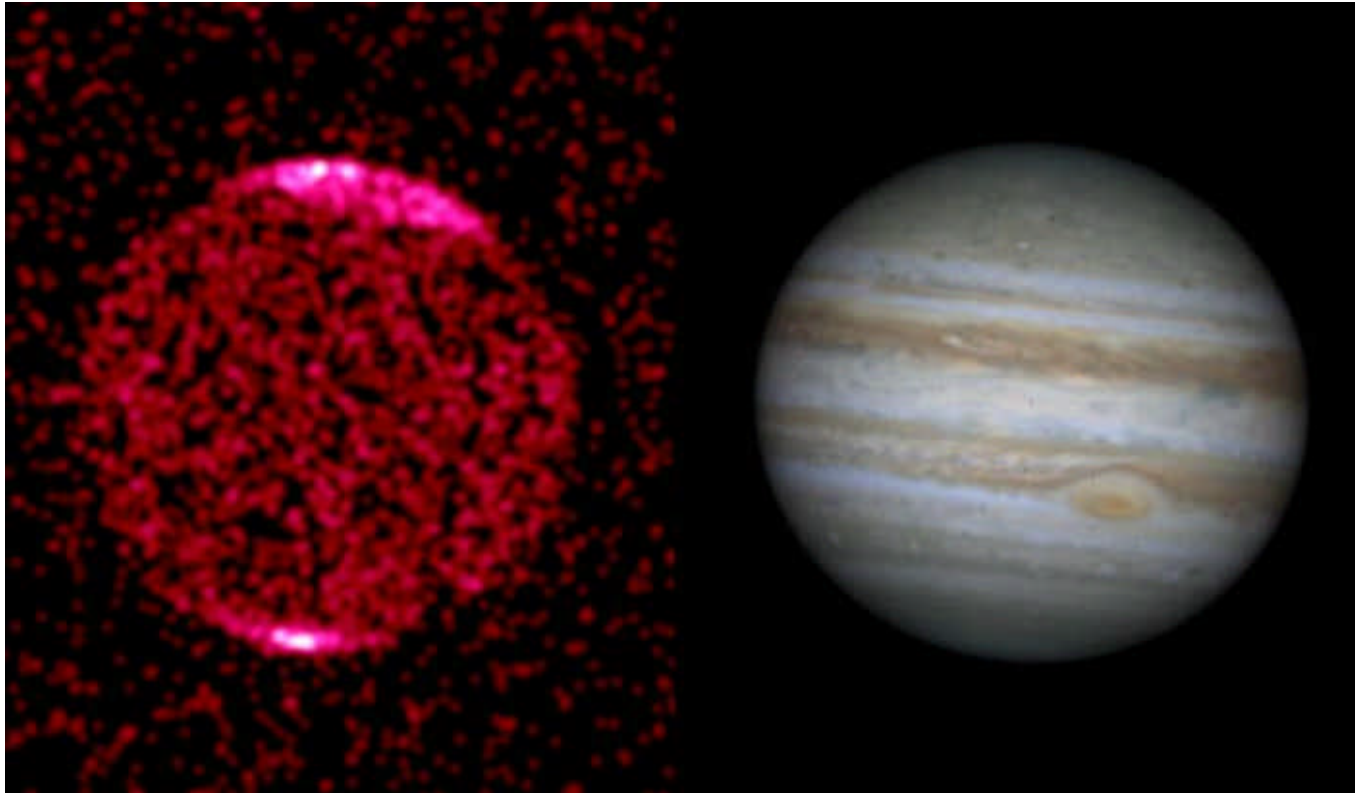
R I V U X G



e

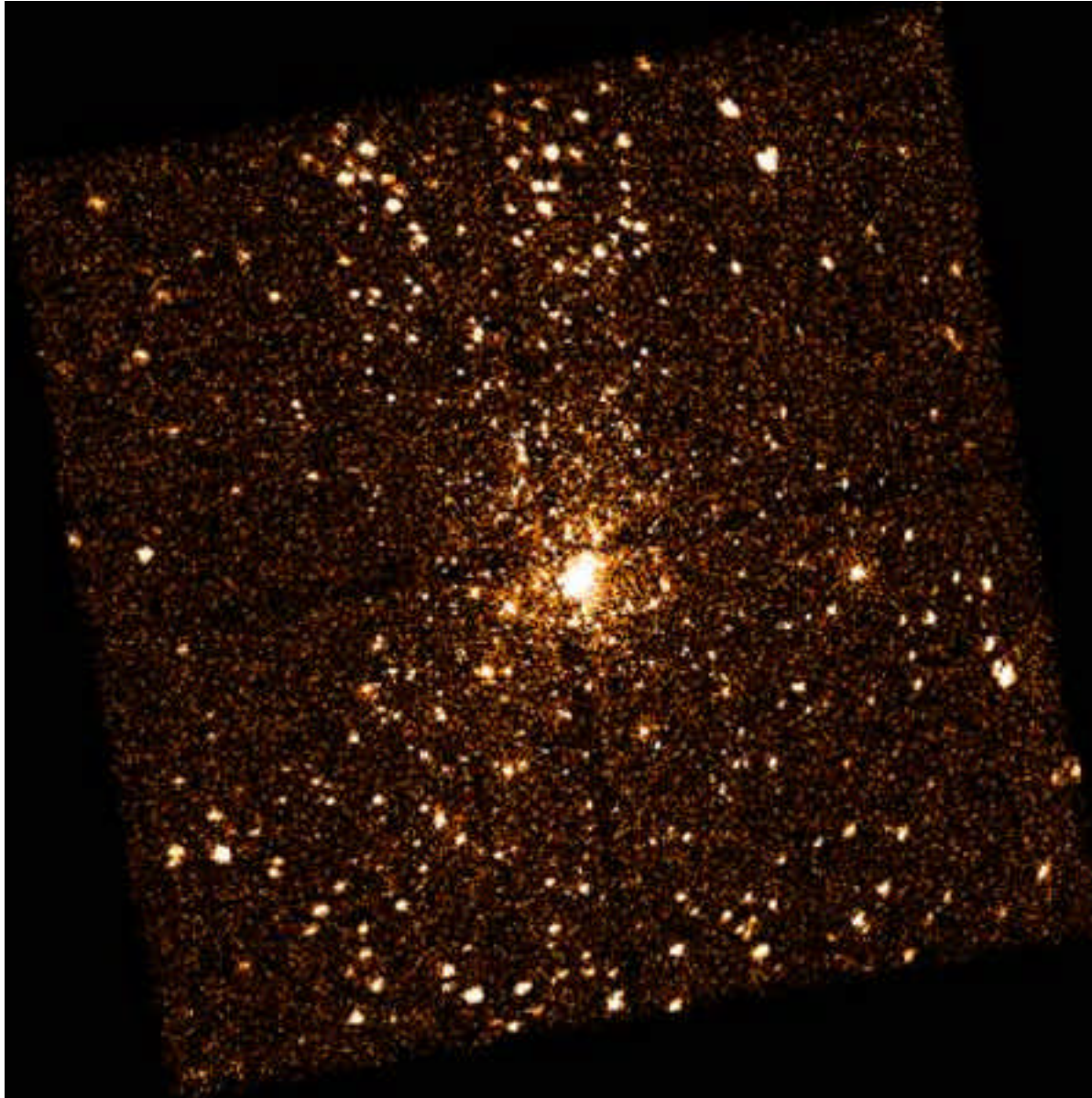
R I V U X G

# X-ray emission from planets



Jupiter

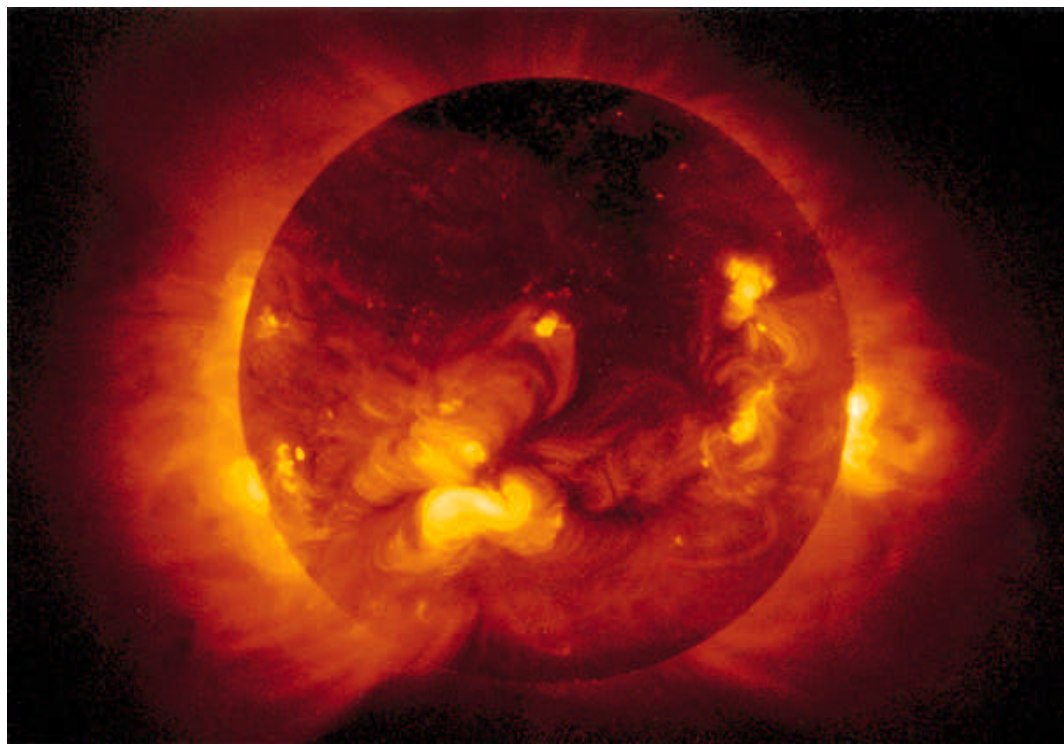
# X-ray emission during star birth



Orion nebula

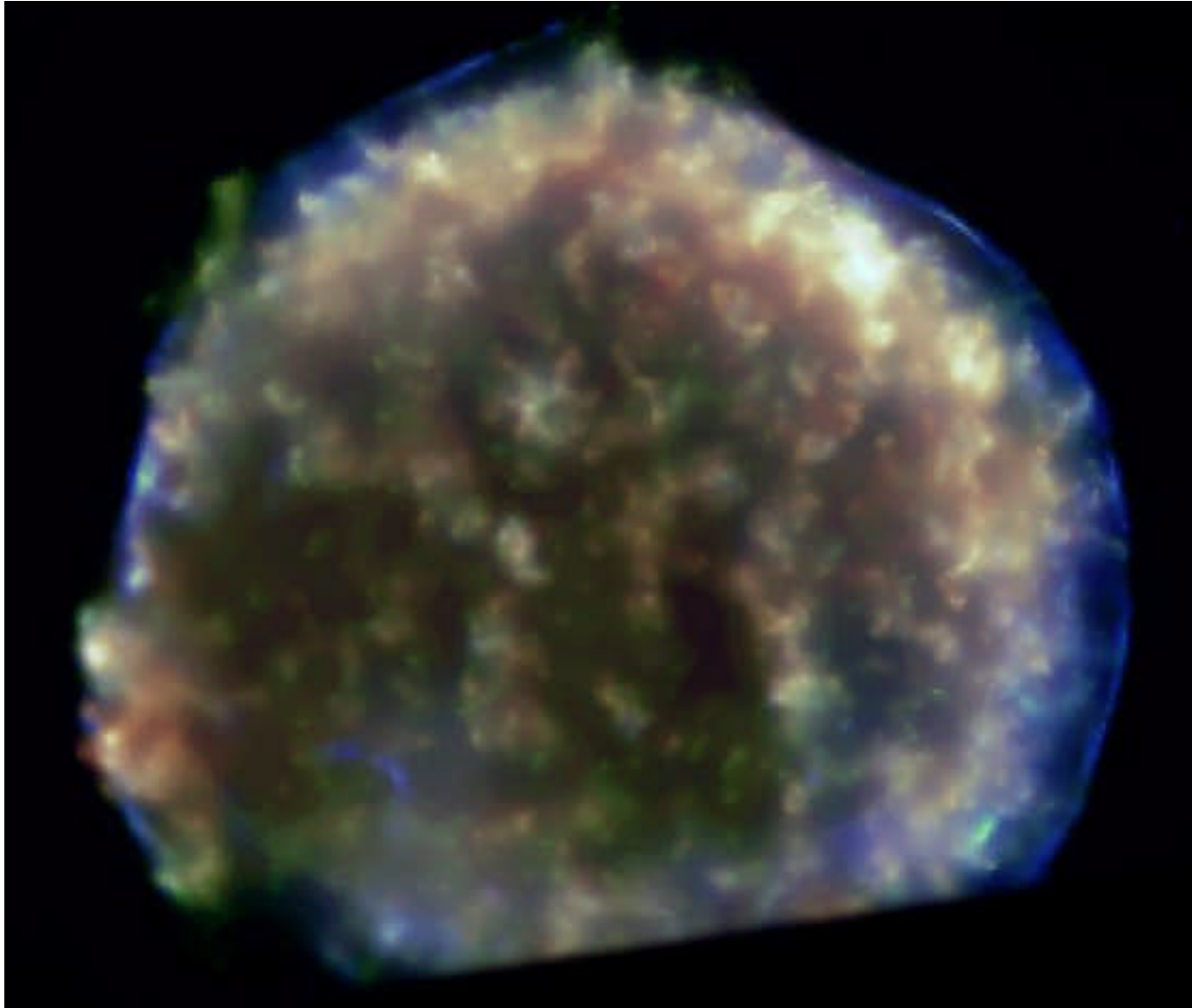
# X-ray emission from our Sun

---

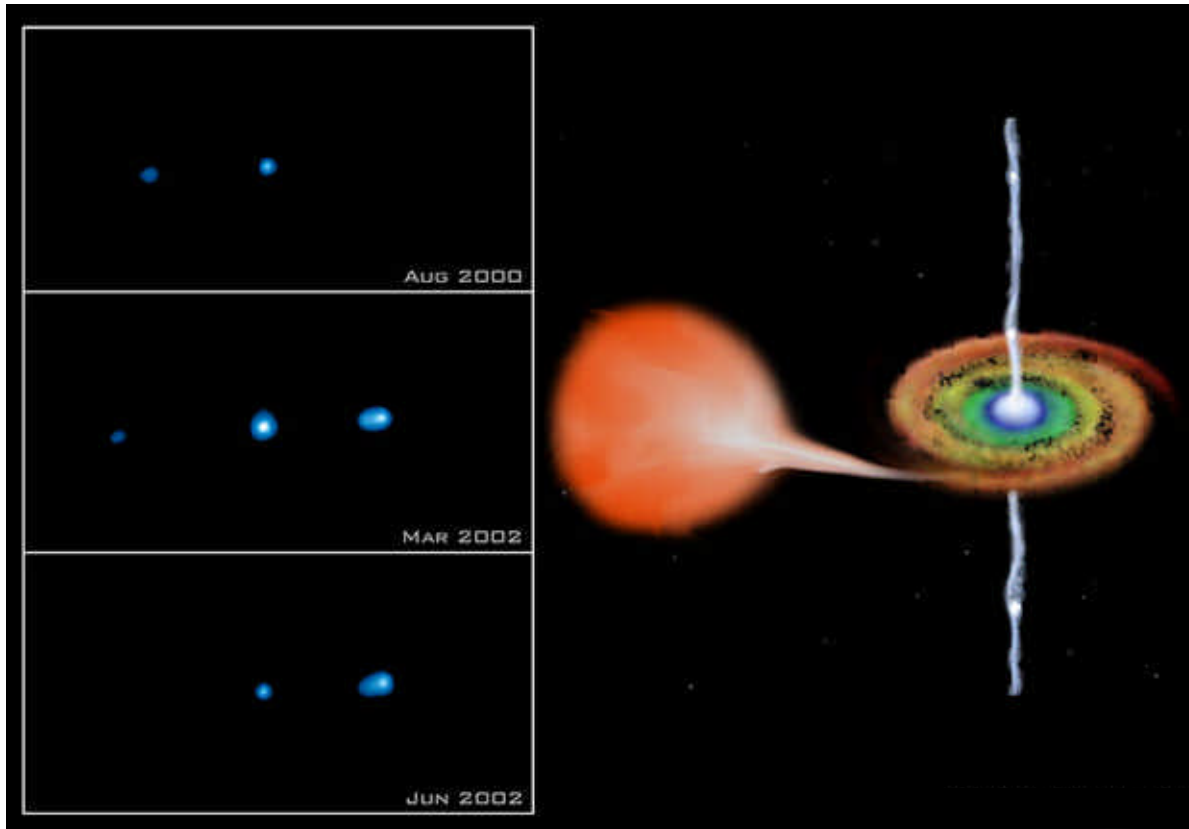




# X-ray emission from supernova remnants

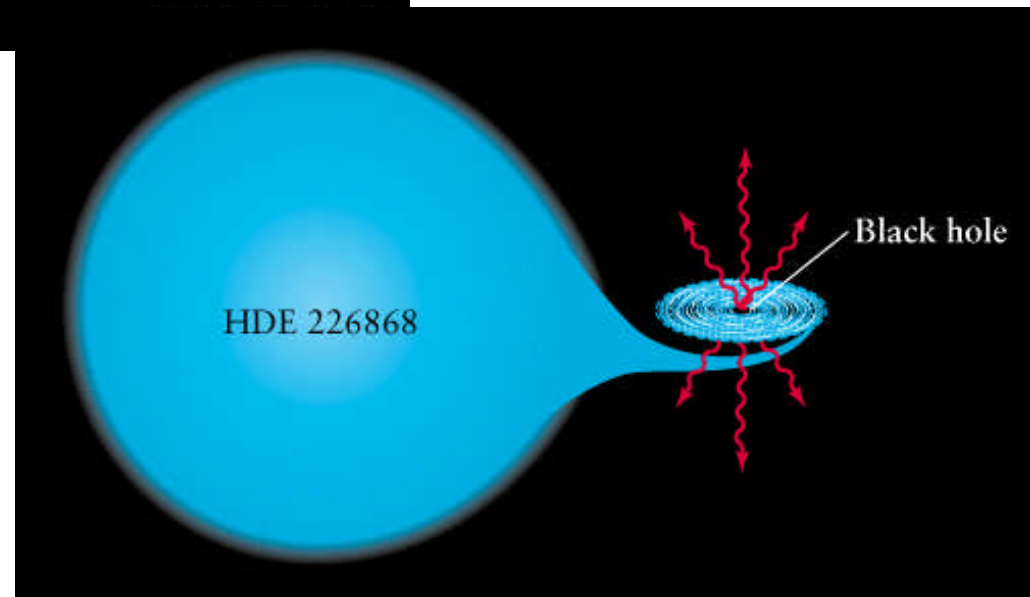


Heavy  
elements



## X-ray binary

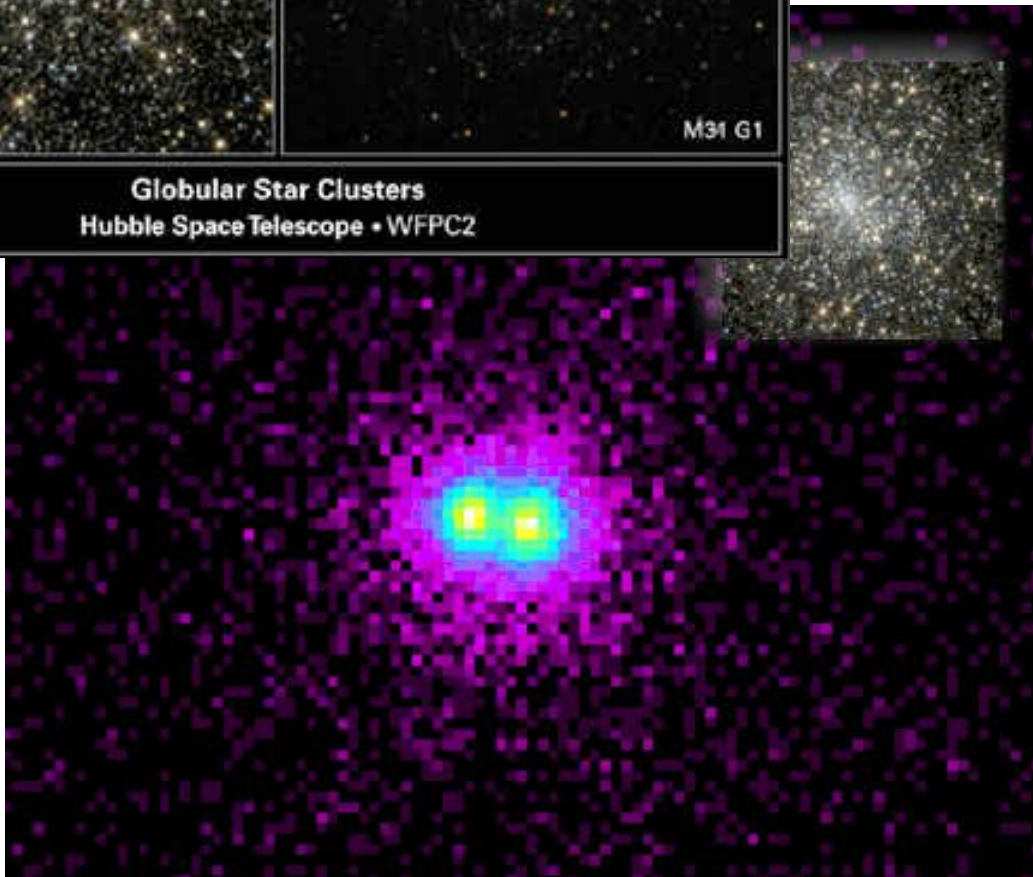
Neutron star,  
Black Hole





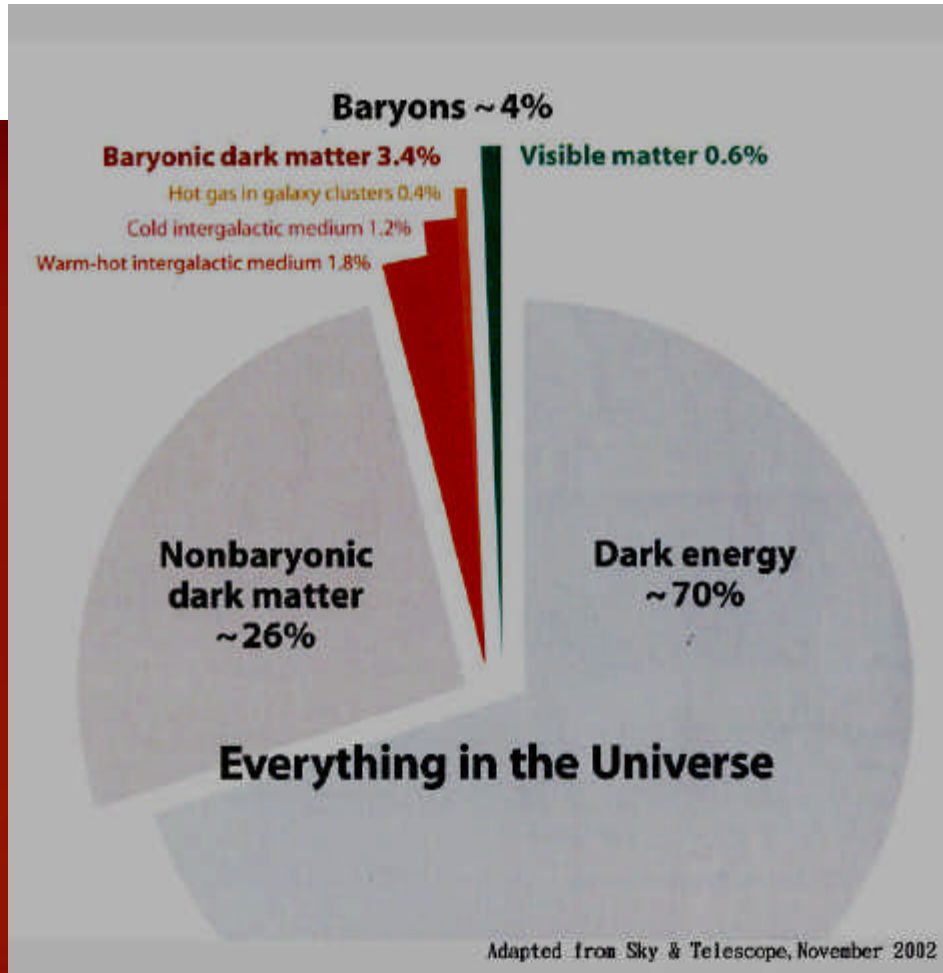
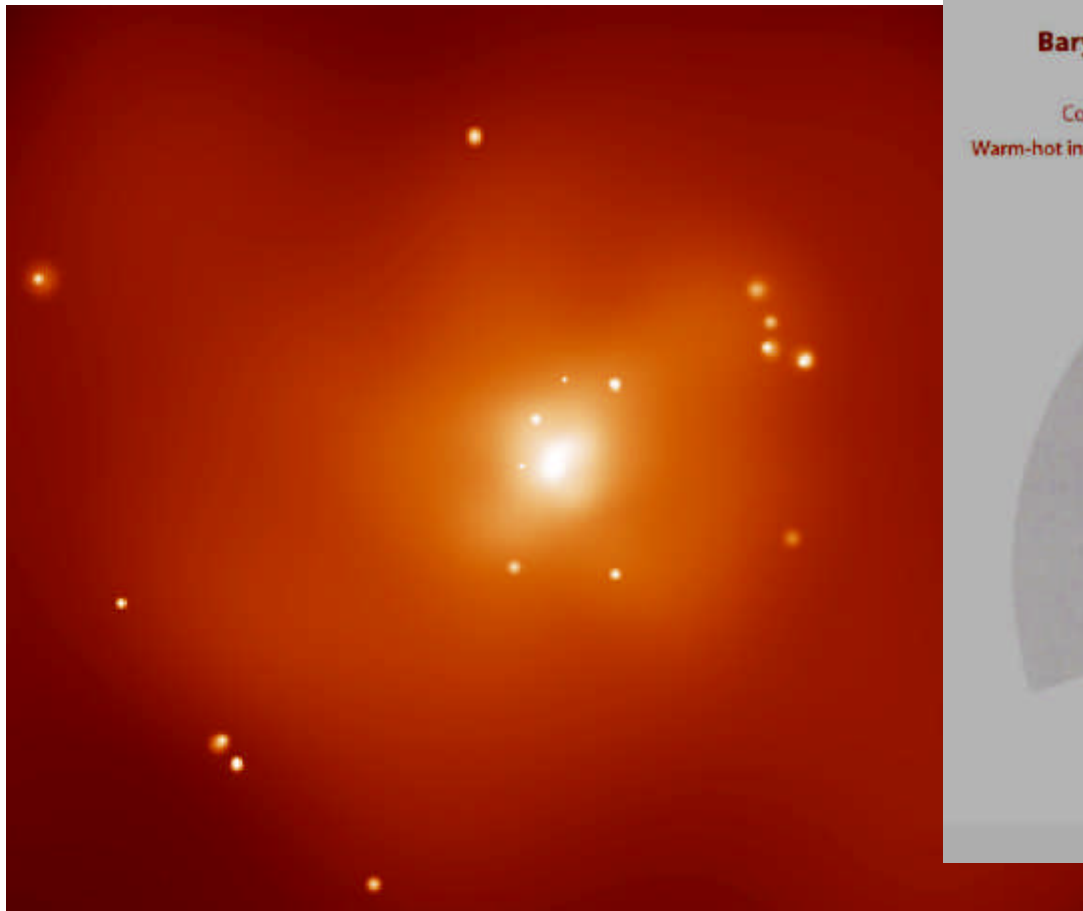
## Medium size black hole in M15

(2002.09.18)美國哈伯太空望遠鏡在仙女星系與飛馬座內的M15與G1球狀星團內發現兩個「中型黑洞」，其質量分別相當於四千個太陽與二萬個太陽。過去曾發現質量相當於五到十個太陽的小型「星型黑洞」，與相當於數百萬甚至數十億個太陽的「超大質量黑洞」，這兩個中型黑洞的發現，找到了黑洞族譜中的「失落環節」。(美聯社)



# X-ray emission from NGC720

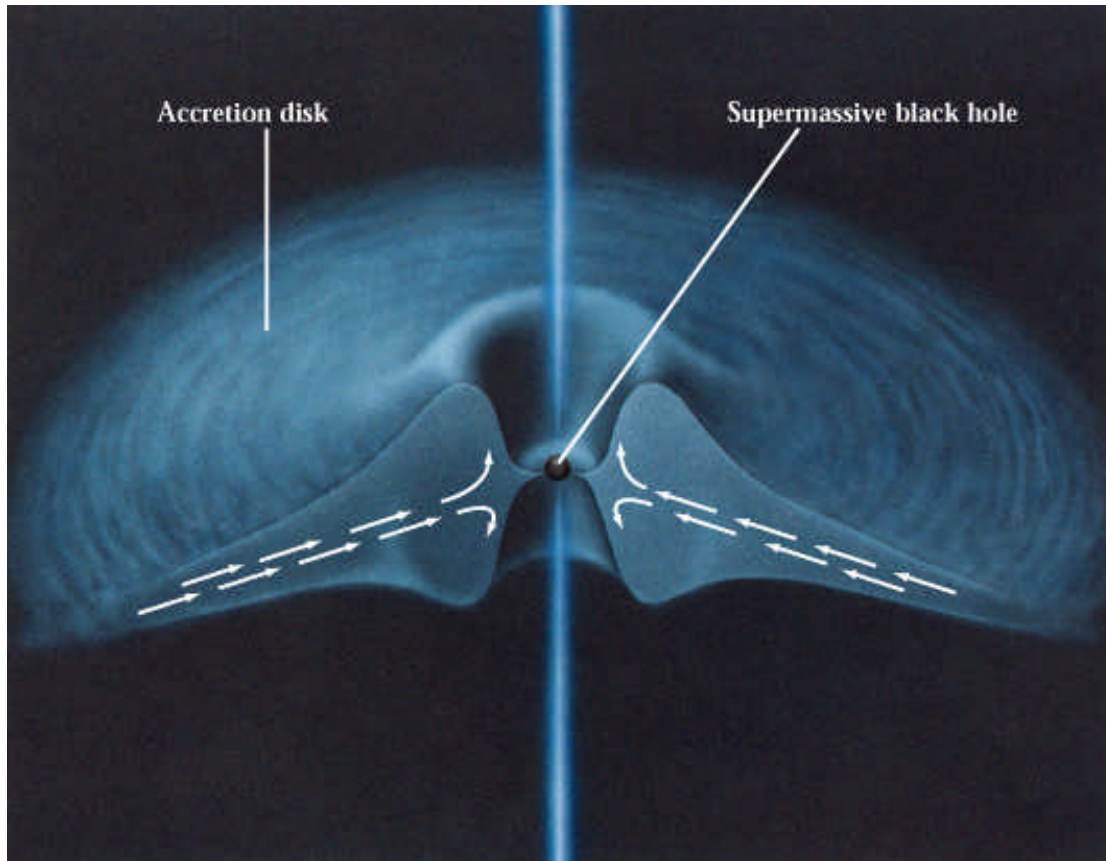
## Intergalactic gas and dark matter



# Galaxy, Galactic black hole

---

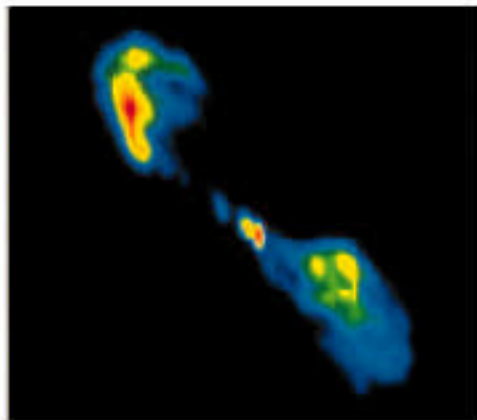




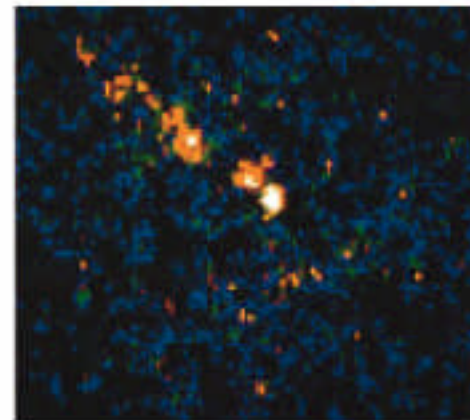
AGN  
(active galactic nucleon)  
活躍星系核心



a



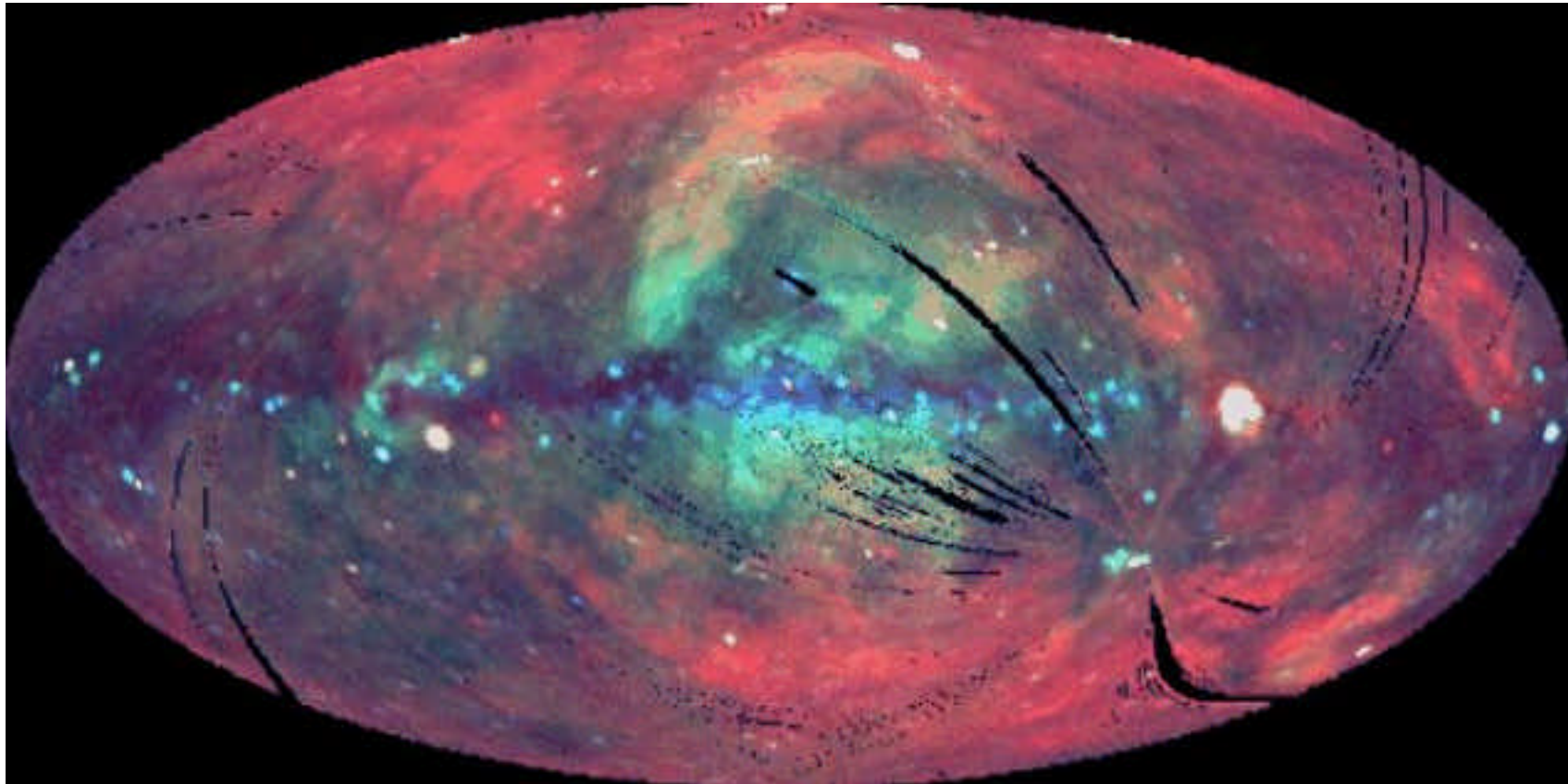
b



c

# X-ray background radiation of cosmos

---



- X-ray astronomy is a young science; many new discoveries have been made with a new generation of X-ray telescopes (e.g. Chandra from NASA, XMM-Newton from ESA).
- A continued exploration of cosmic X-rays is necessary to extend our knowledge of collapsed massive objects, the origin and evolution of galaxies and galactic clusters, and dark matter.
- X-ray astronomy also offers promising possibilities to prove that black holes exist and to explore their nature.



成大物理系天文實驗室已投入人力，與中央大學天文所合作，使用鹿林山一米望遠鏡，從事X-ray binary的監測工作。



鹿林前山中央大學 鹿林山天文台 (新中橫塔塔加附近)