

X-ray and Optical Flux Ratio Anomalies
in Quadruply Lensed Quasars:
Zooming in on Quasar Emission Regions

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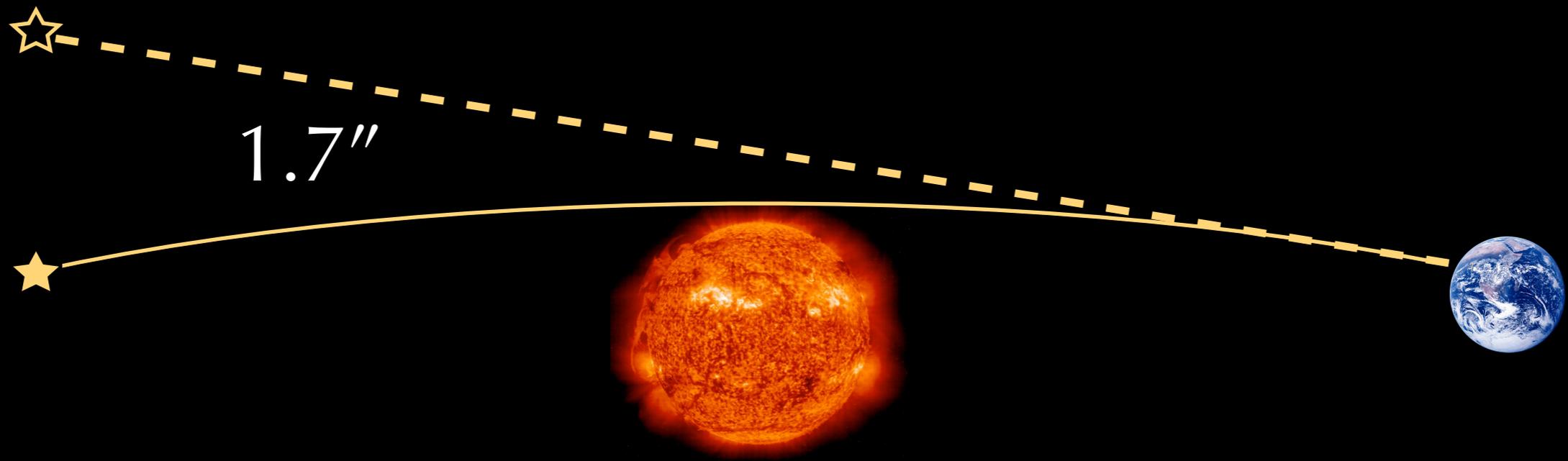
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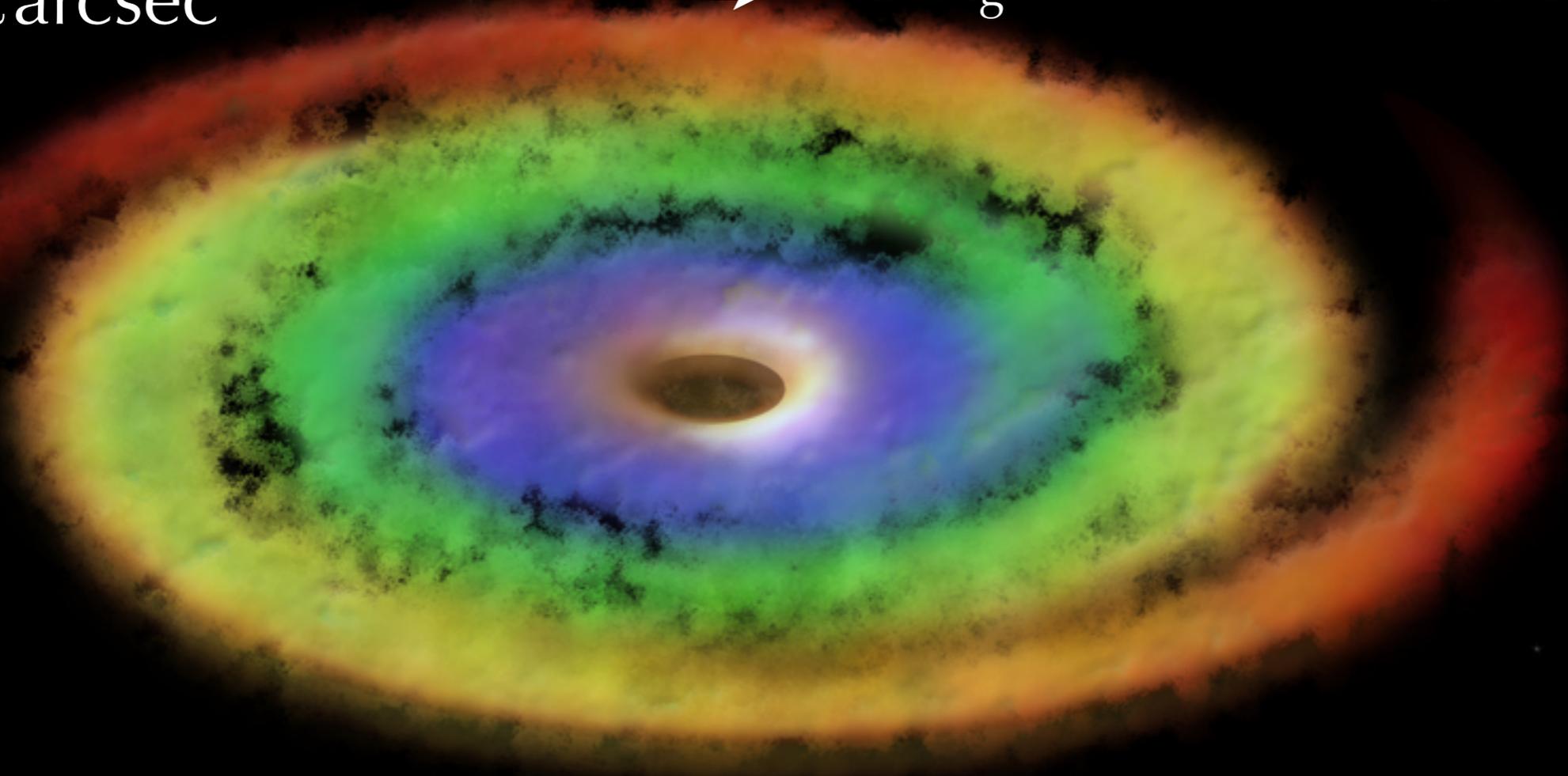


Quadruply Gravitationally Lensed Quasars

Black hole $\sim 10^{8-9} M_{\odot}$

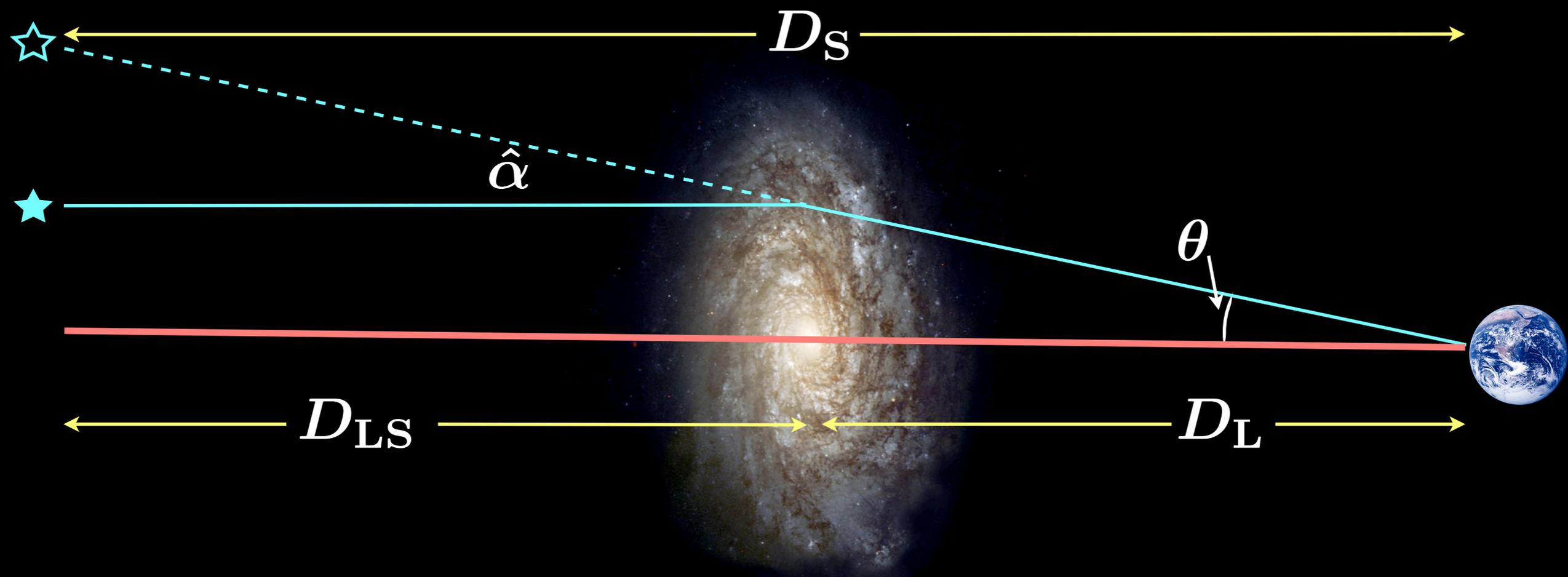
$L \sim 10^{45} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$

Optical $2 \times 10^{15} \text{ cm}$ $\approx 100 R_g$ 10^{14} cm X-ray $\approx 5 R_g$
 $\approx 0.1 \mu\text{arcsec}$ \leftarrow \rightarrow $\approx 5 \text{ narcsec}$



$$T(r) = \left[\frac{3GM_{\text{BH}}\dot{M}}{8\pi\sigma r^3} \right]^{1/4} \left(1 - \sqrt{r_0/r} \right)^{1/4}$$

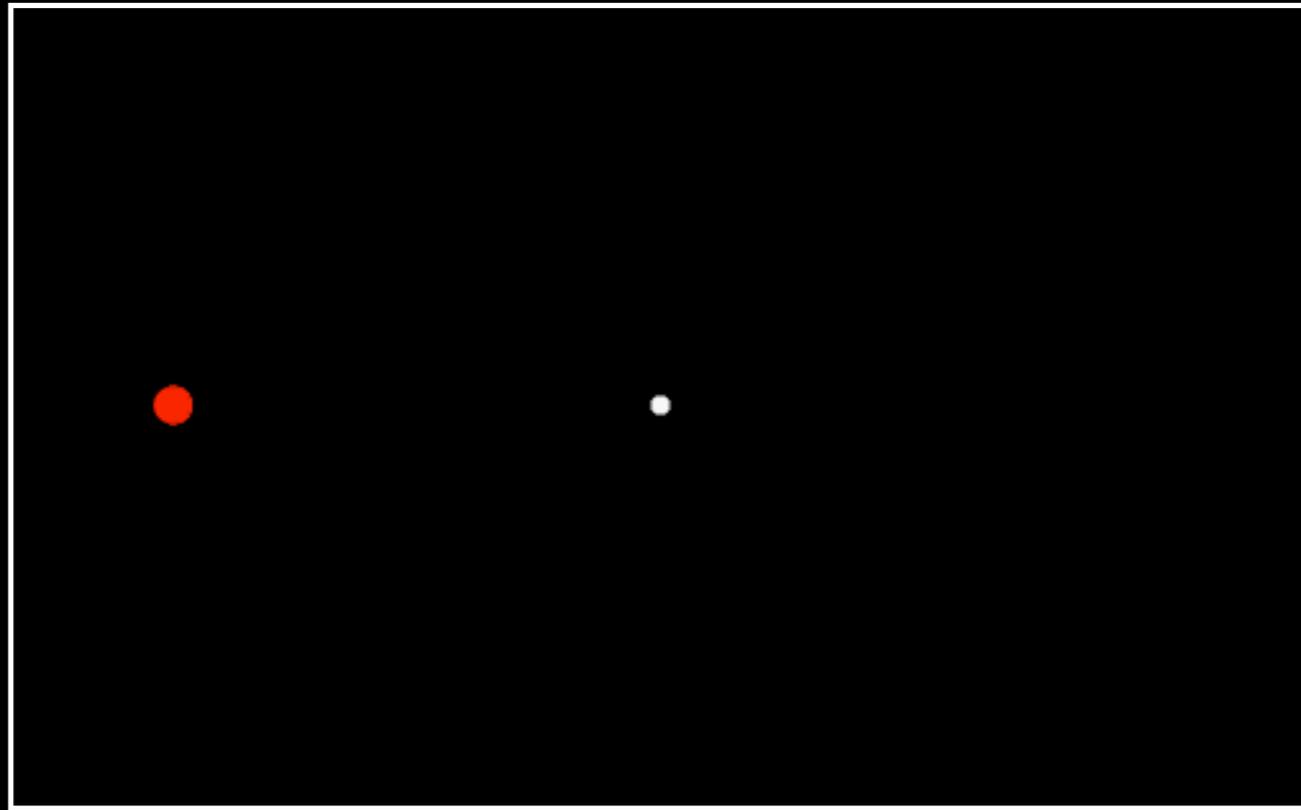
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$$\theta_{\text{Ein}} = \sqrt{\frac{4GM(\theta_{\text{Ein}})}{c^2} \frac{D_{LS}}{D_L D_S}}$$

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Singular Isothermal Sphere: $\rho(r) = \frac{\sigma_v^2}{2\pi G} \frac{1}{r^2}$



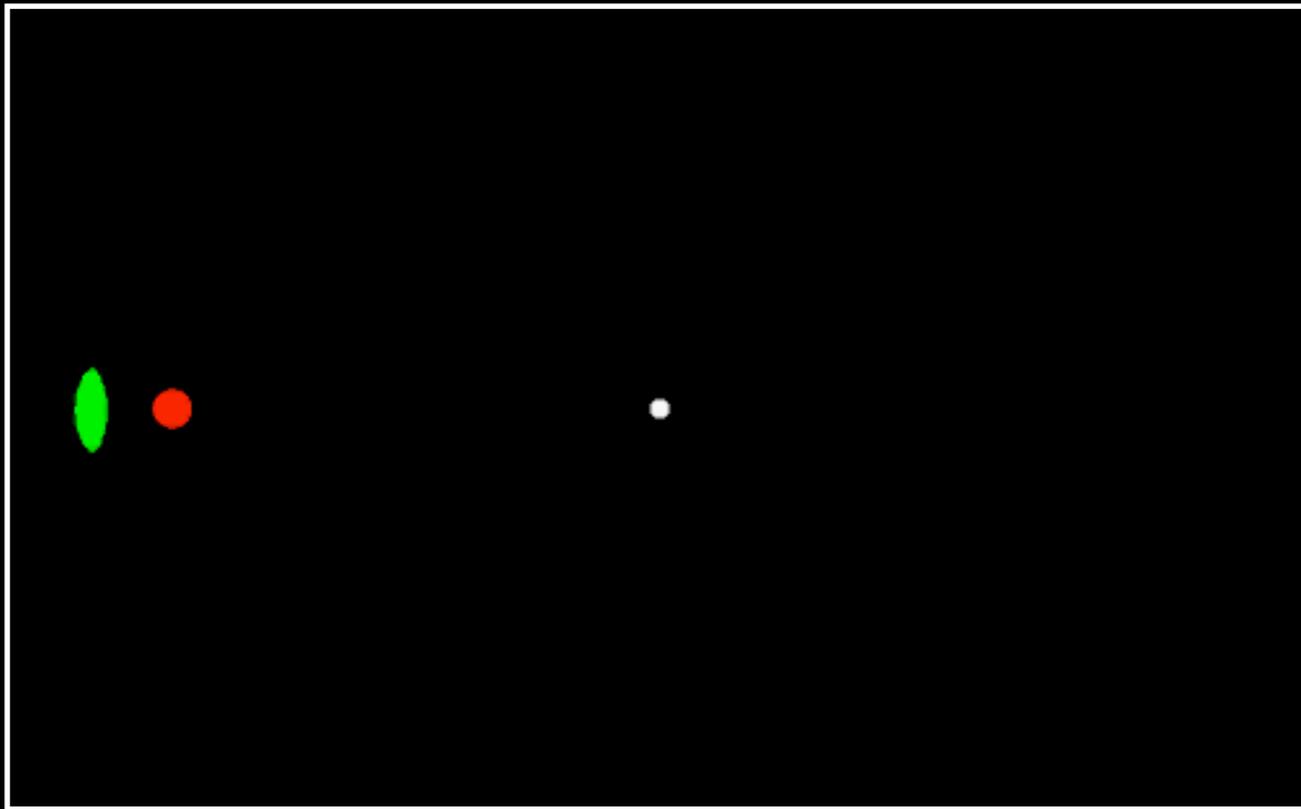
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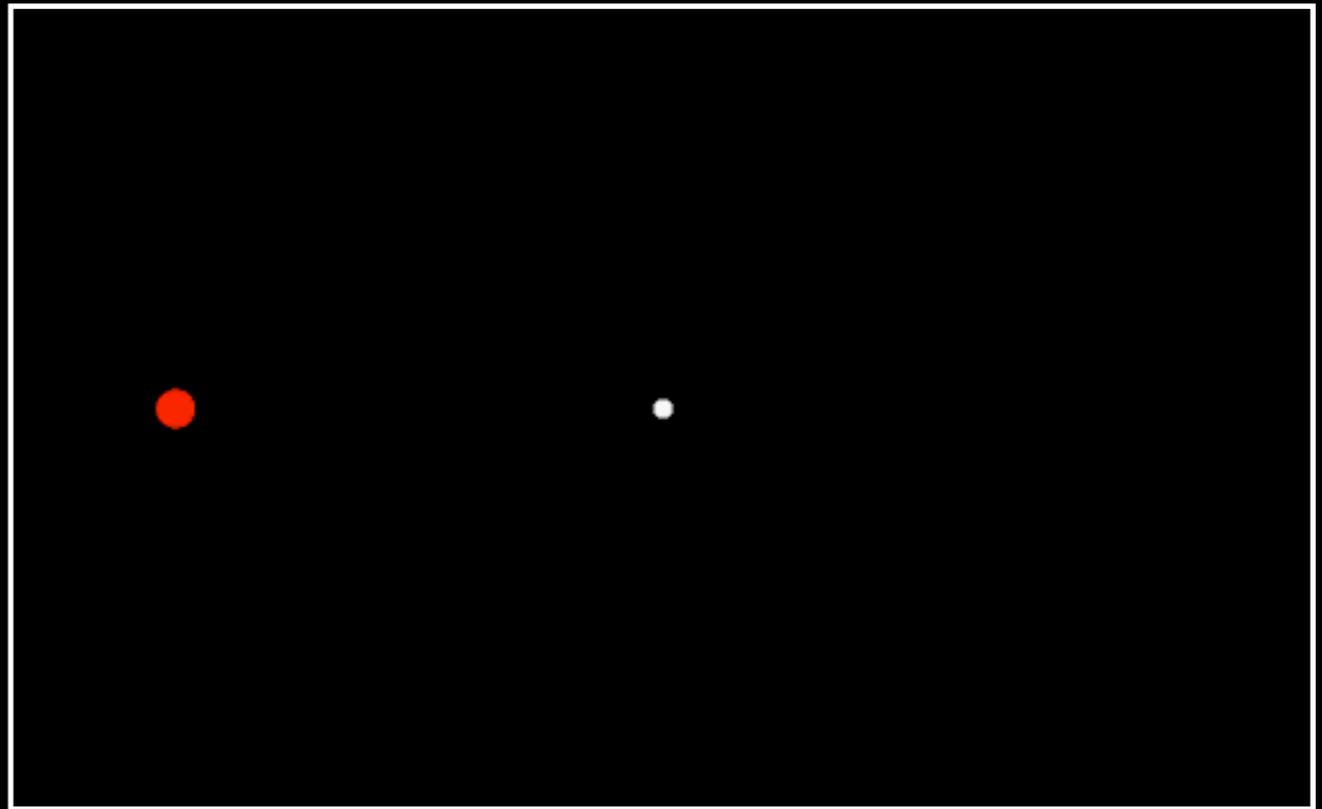
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SIS with Shear (0°)



SIS with Shear (45°)



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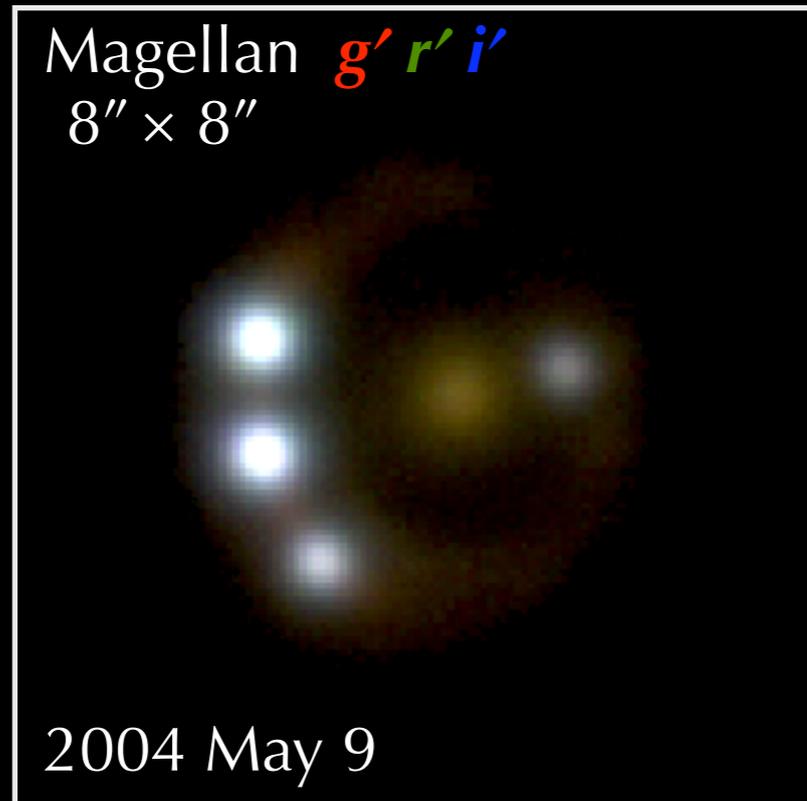
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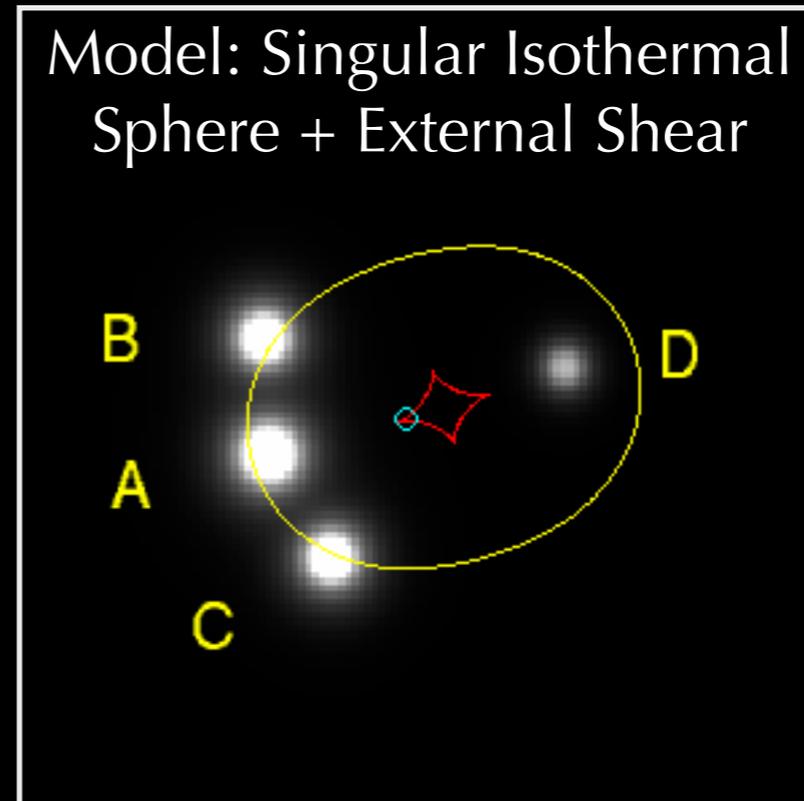
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RX J1131-1231

Blackburne, DP, & Rappaport 2006



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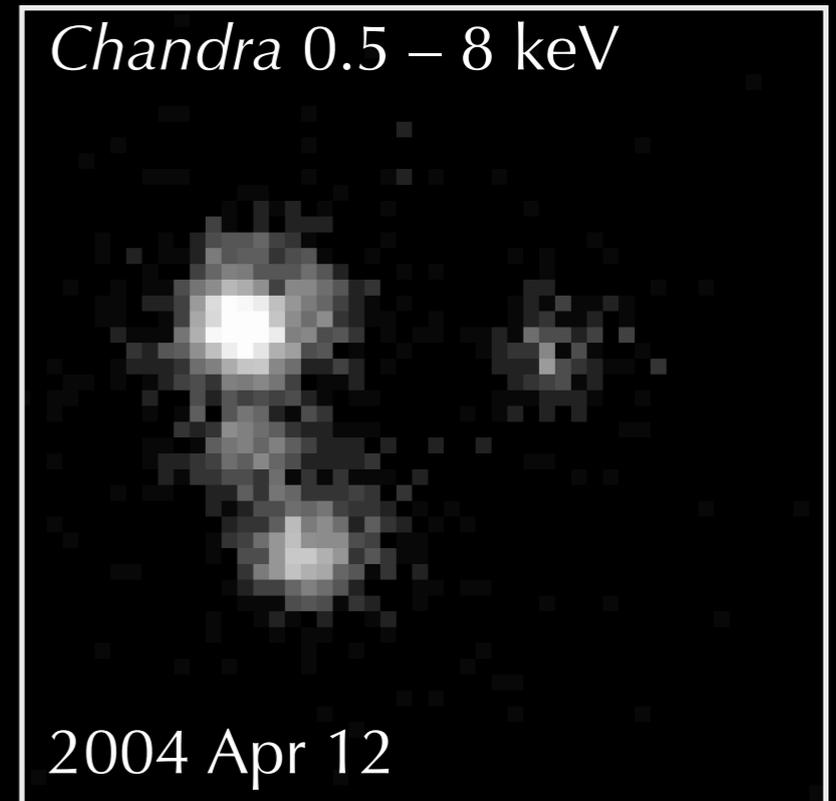
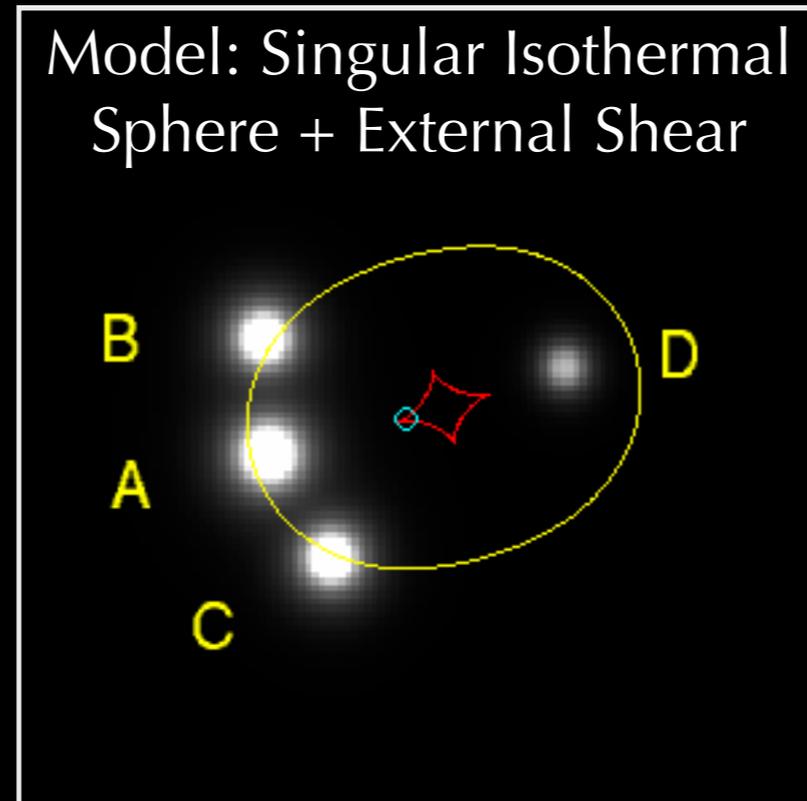
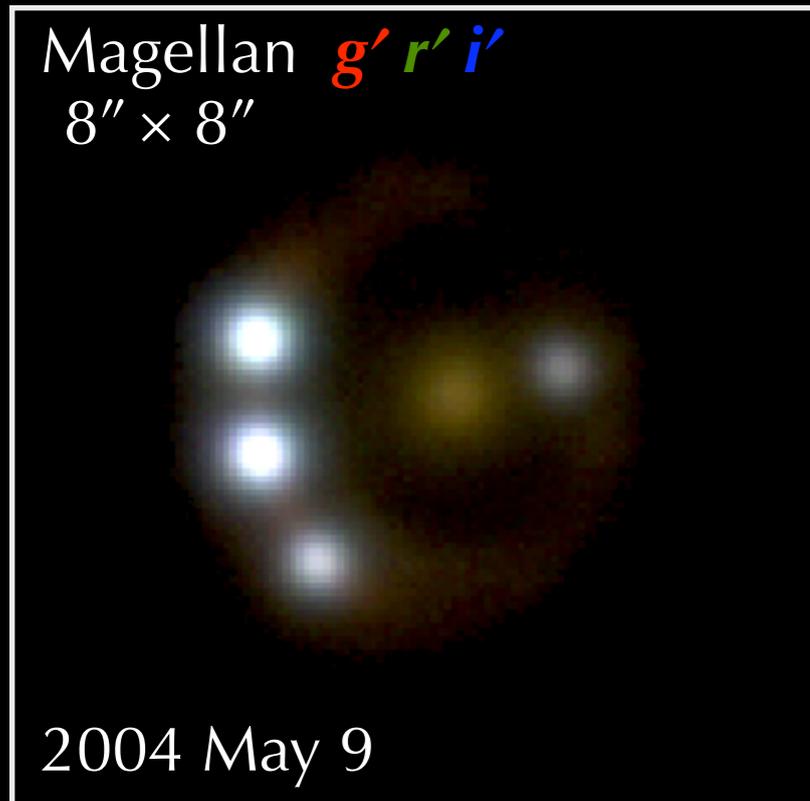


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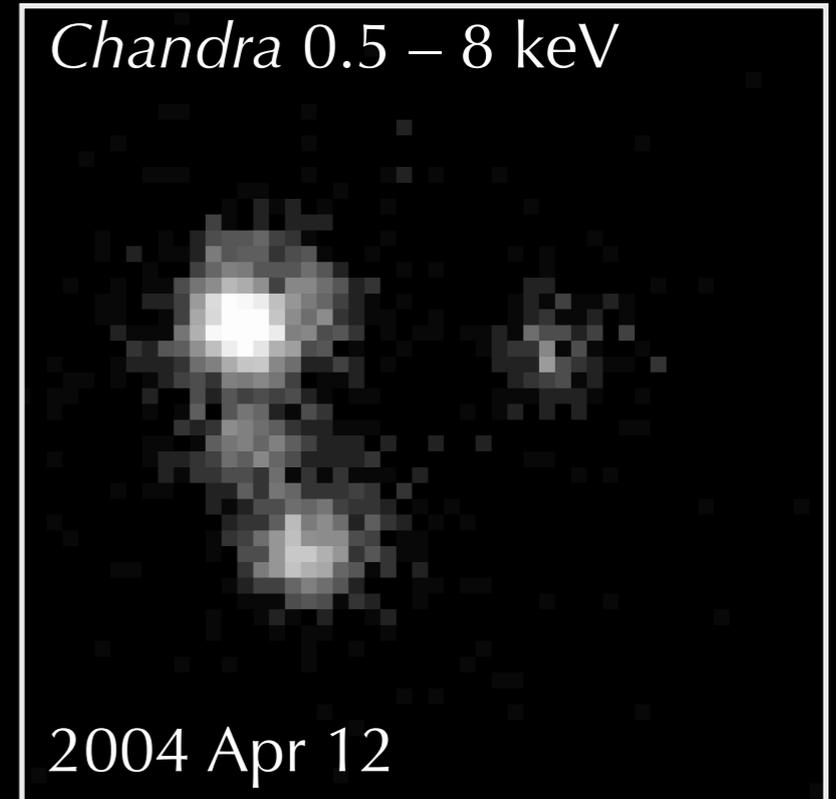
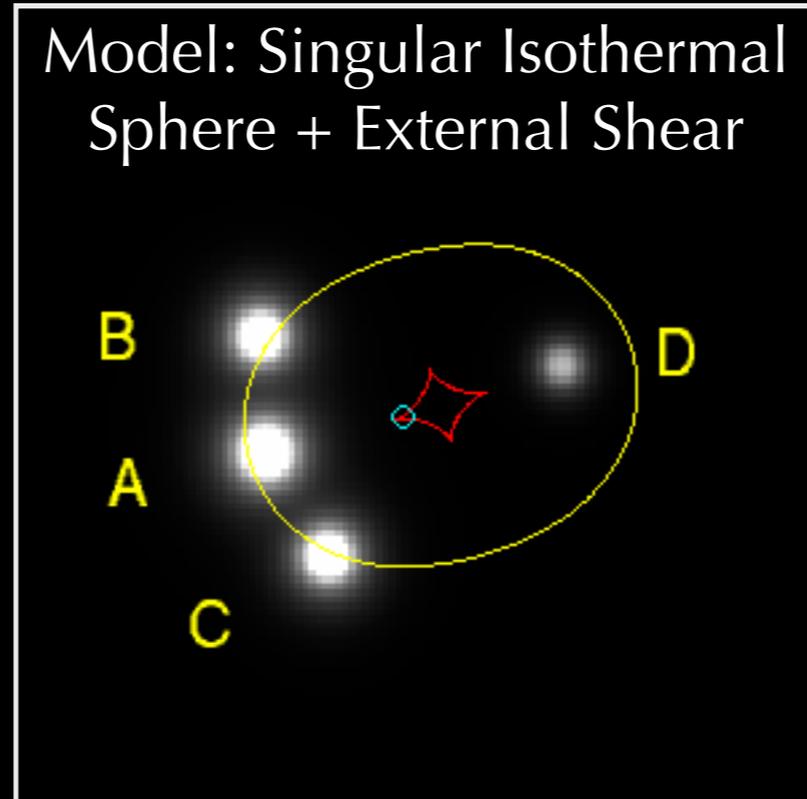
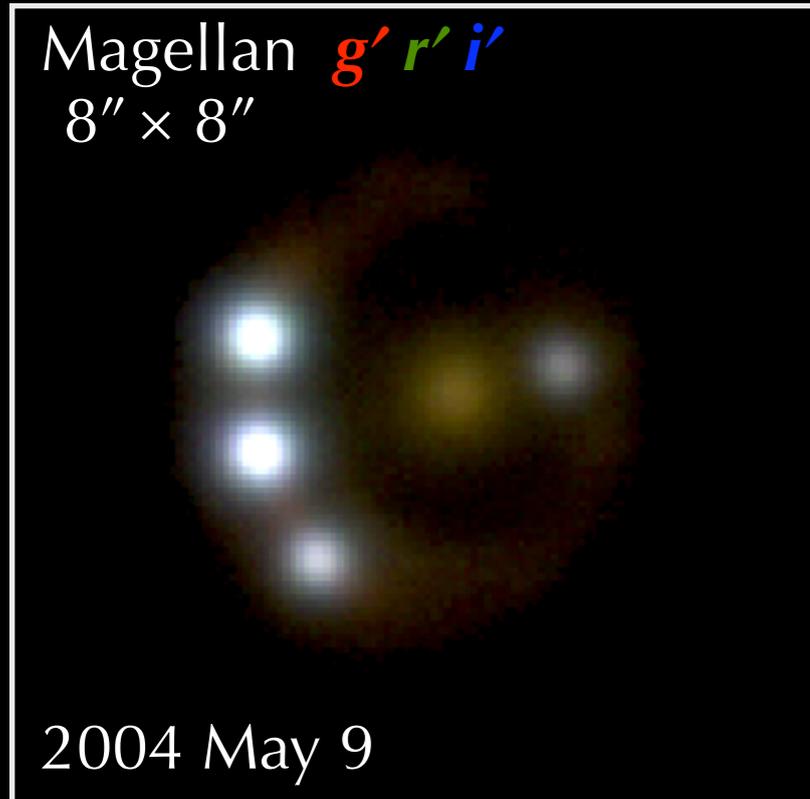
Flux Ratio Anomalies: What causes them?

- ◆ Smooth lens models cannot account for them
 - ◆ *Micro*lensing by stars ($\sim 1 M_{\odot}$) e.g., Witt, Mao, & Schechter 1995
 - ◆ *Milli*lensing by dark matter clumps ($\sim 10^4 - 10^6 M_{\odot}$)
Mao & Schneider 1998, Metcalf & Madau 2001, Chiba 2002, Dalal & Kochanek 2002
- ◆ Einstein radius of perturber in typical lensing galaxy:
 $\sim 3 \sqrt{(m/M_{\odot})} (\text{Gpc}/D_L) \mu\text{-arcsec}$
- ◆ If millilensing, X-ray and optical should be affected the same
- ◆ Differences in X-ray and optical \Rightarrow microlensing

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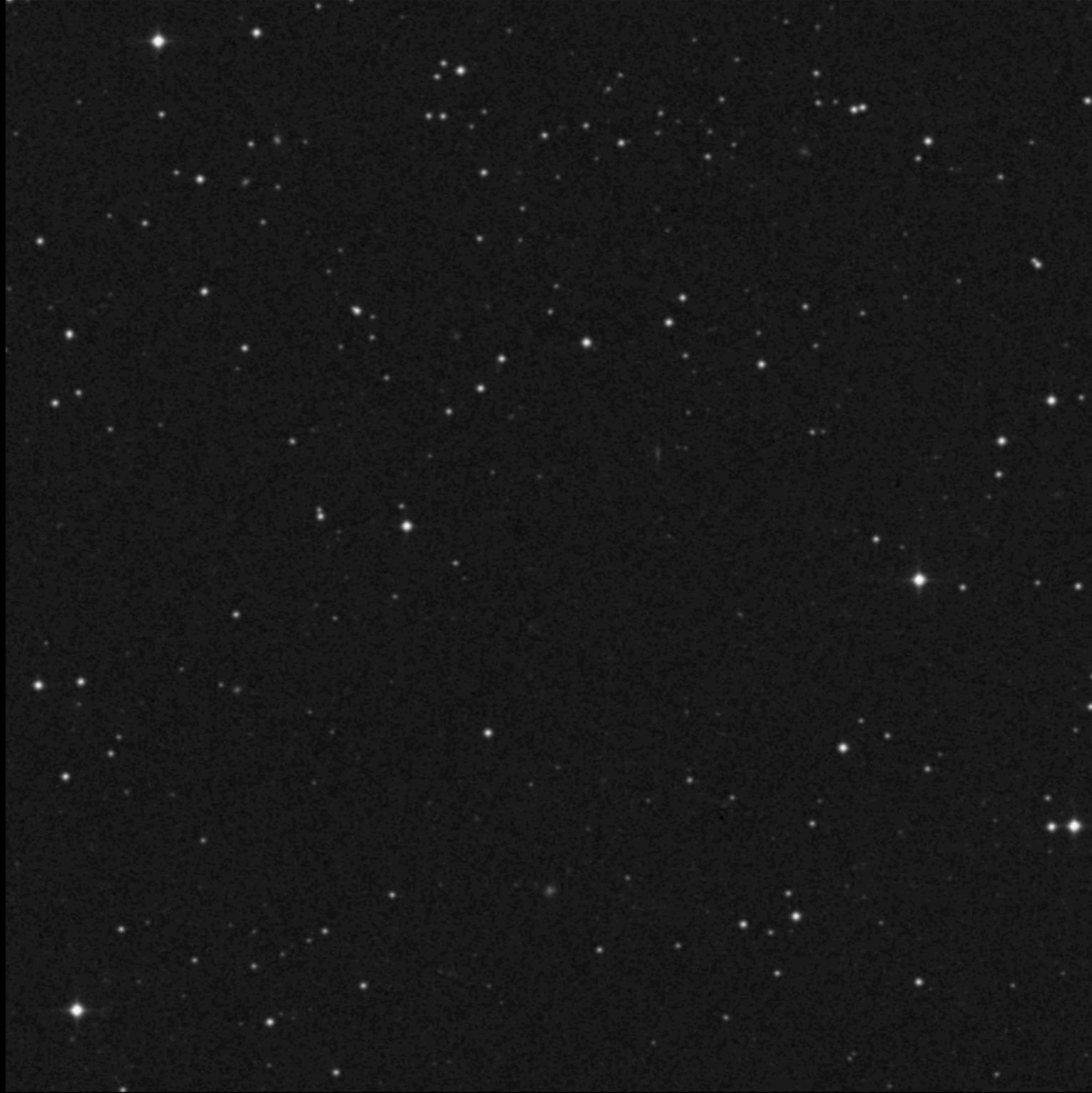
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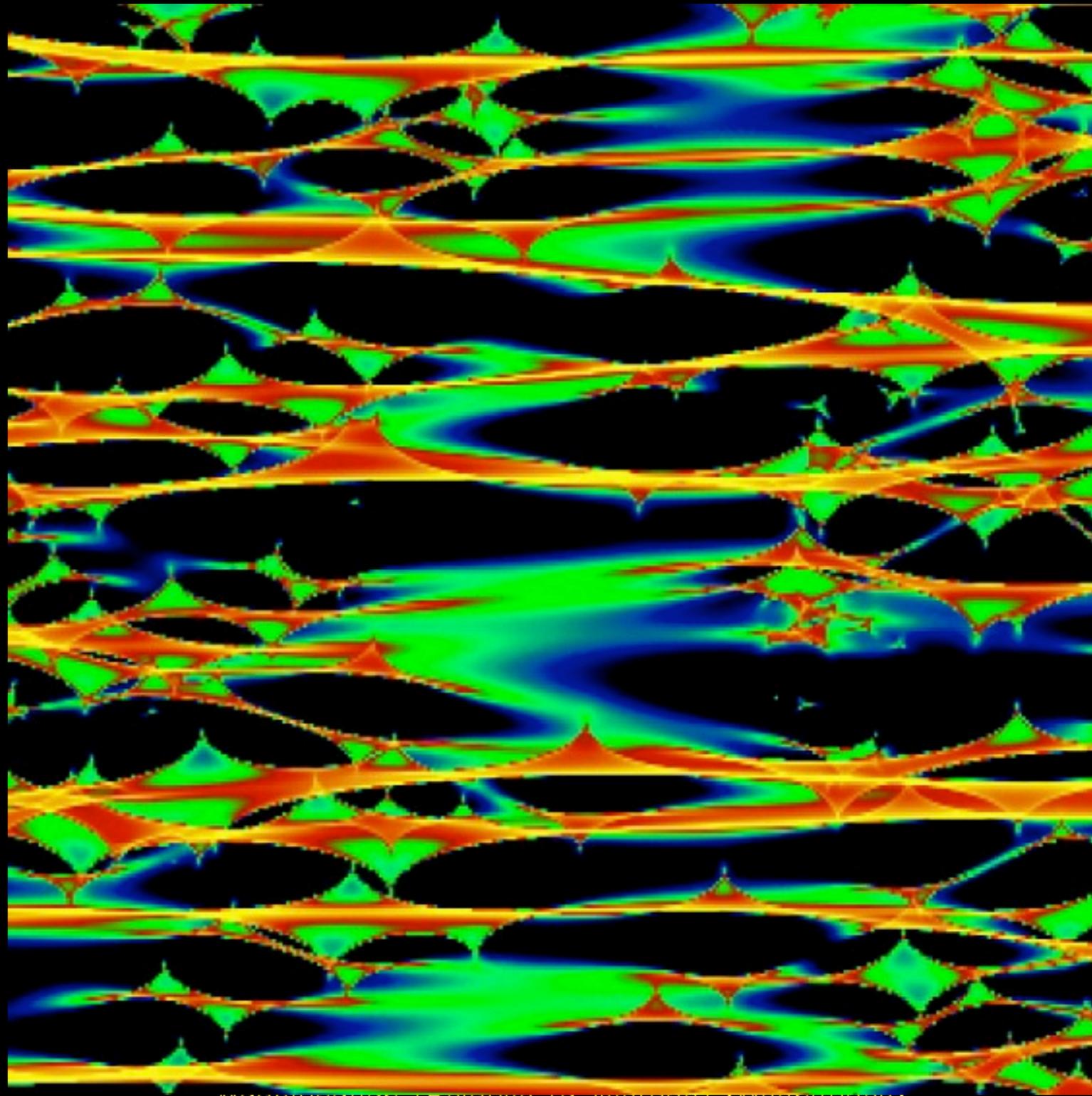
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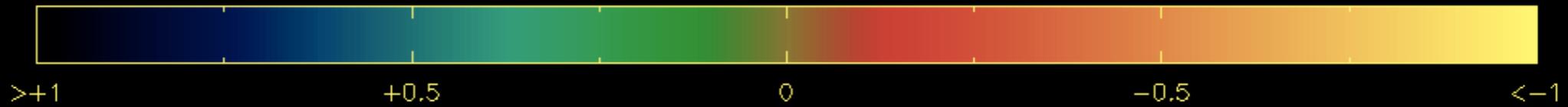
Gravitational Microlensing



Microlensing



magnification (Relative to Average) [magnitudes]



Schechter & Wambsganns 2002

Microlensing



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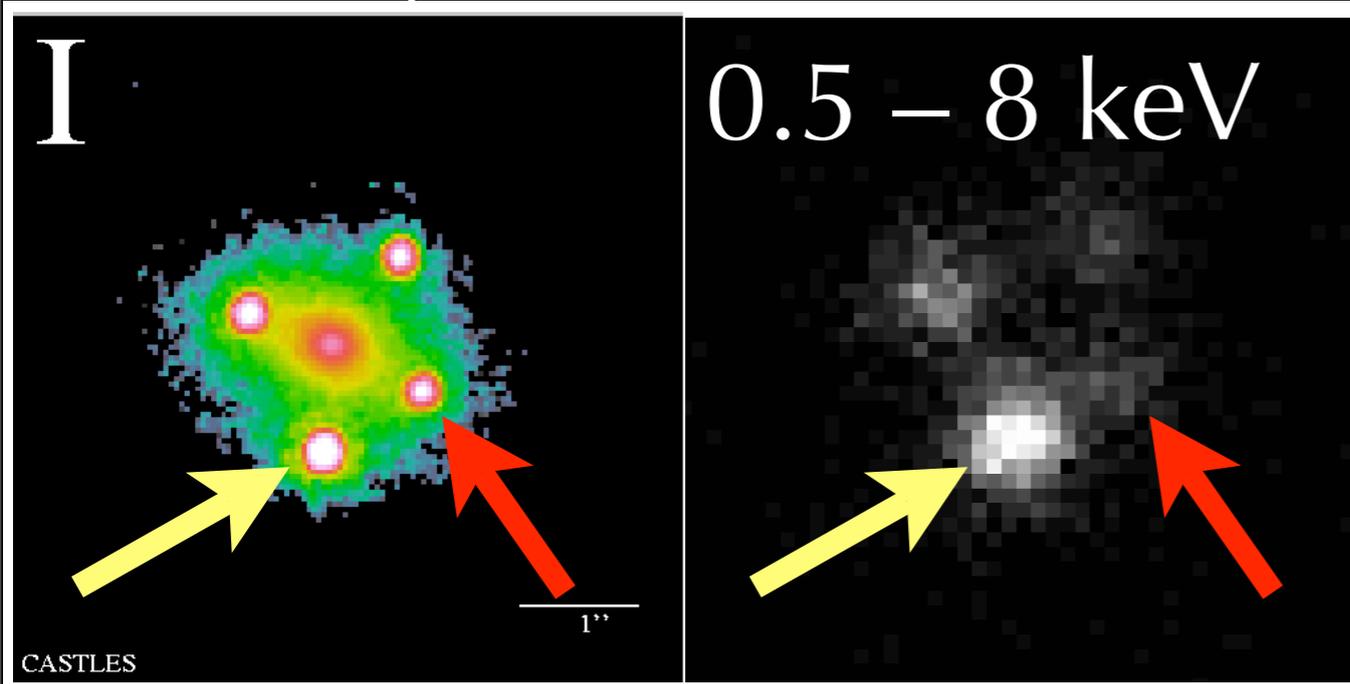
Flux Ratio Anomalies: How common are they?

- ◆ Systematic study of 10 quadruply lensed quasars
 - ◆ Re-analysed archival *Chandra* data
 - ◆ Optical fluxes from the literature (near IR band)
 - ◆ Simple lens models (SIS + external shear)
- ◆ Emphasis on high-magnification saddle point (HS)
 - ➔ Should be most susceptible to microlensing
- ◆ Compare it to high-magnification minimum (HM)
 - ▶ In many cases, should be about equal
- ◆ Compare it to low-magnification minimum (LM)
 - ▶ Should be least susceptible to microlensing

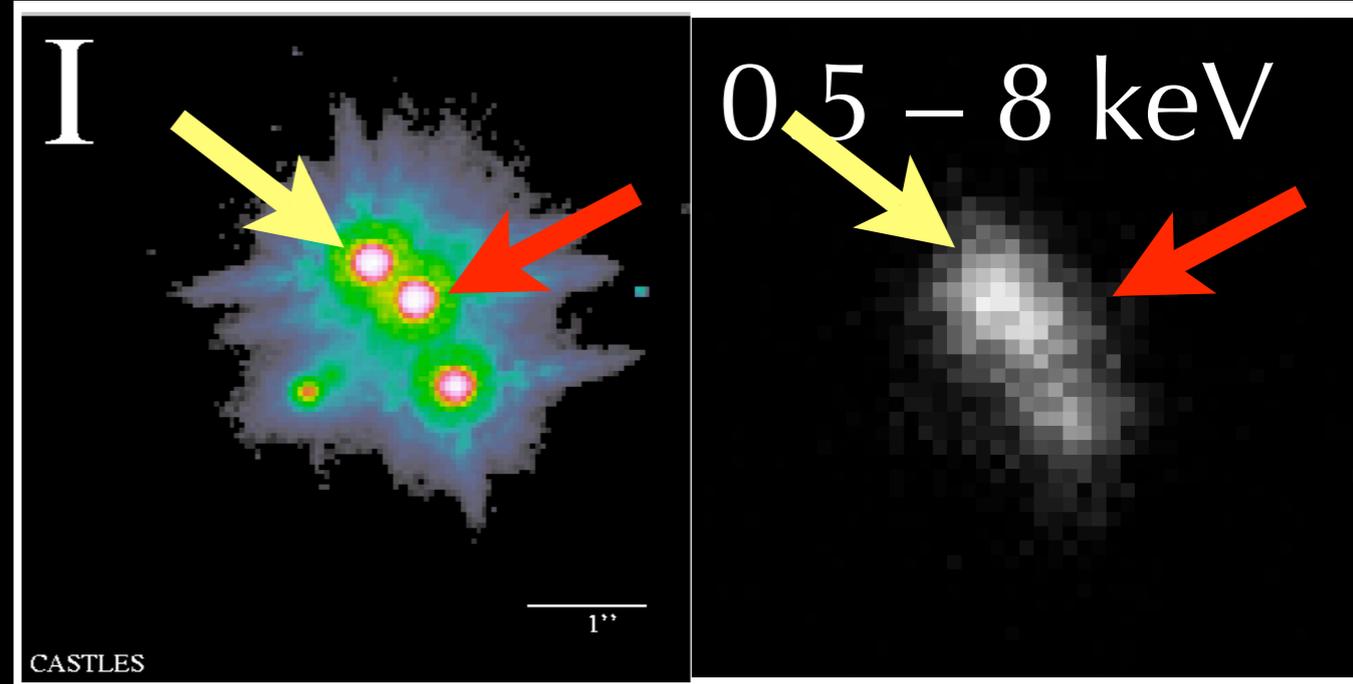
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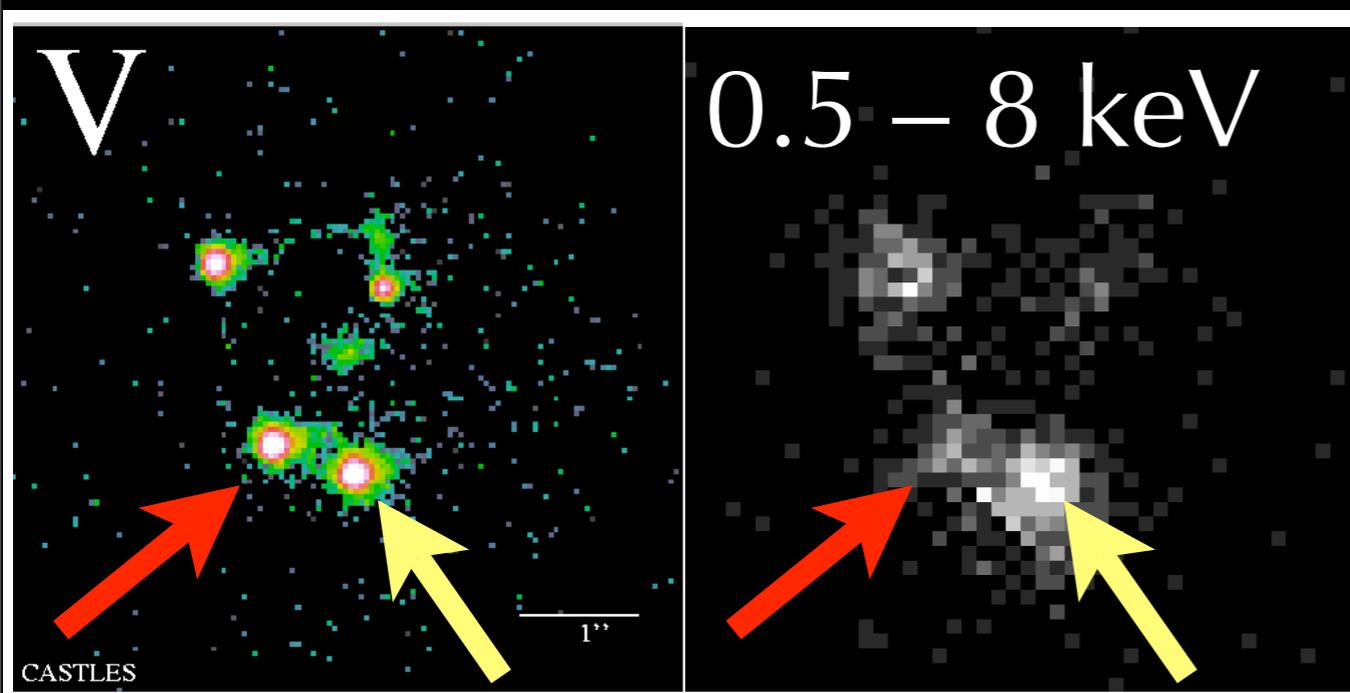
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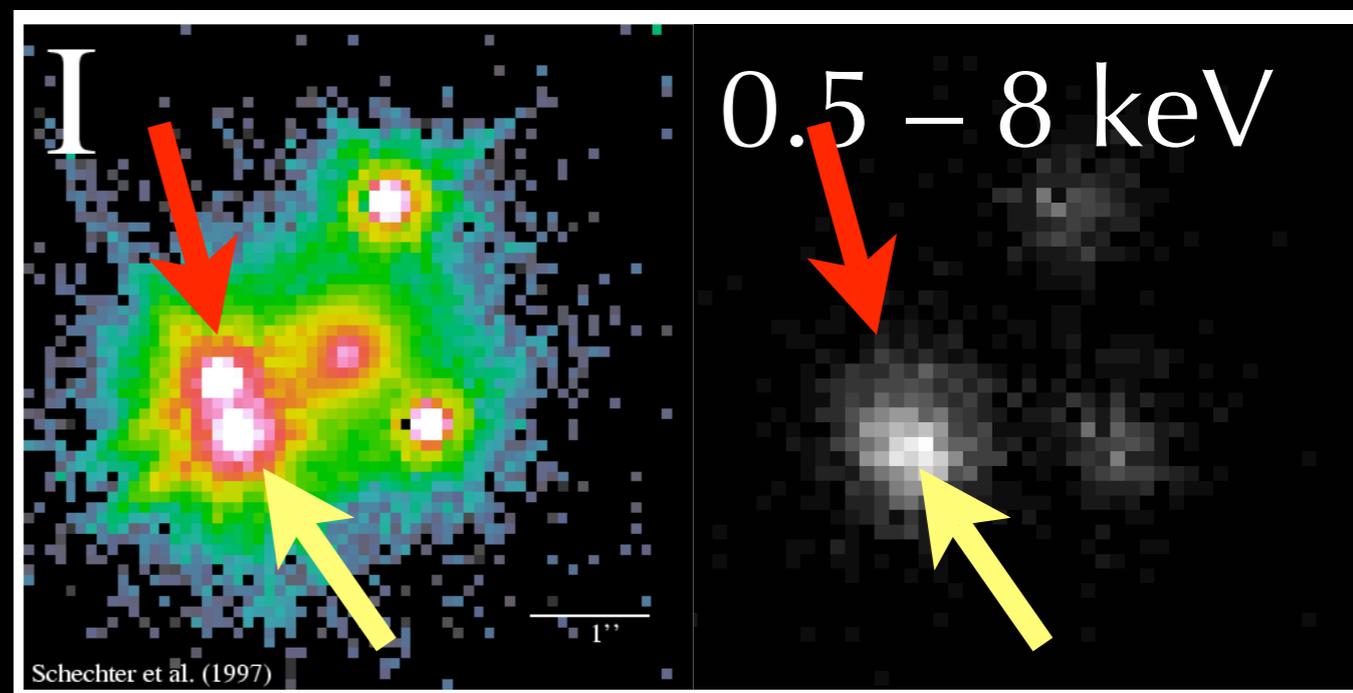
B 1422+231



HE 0230–2130



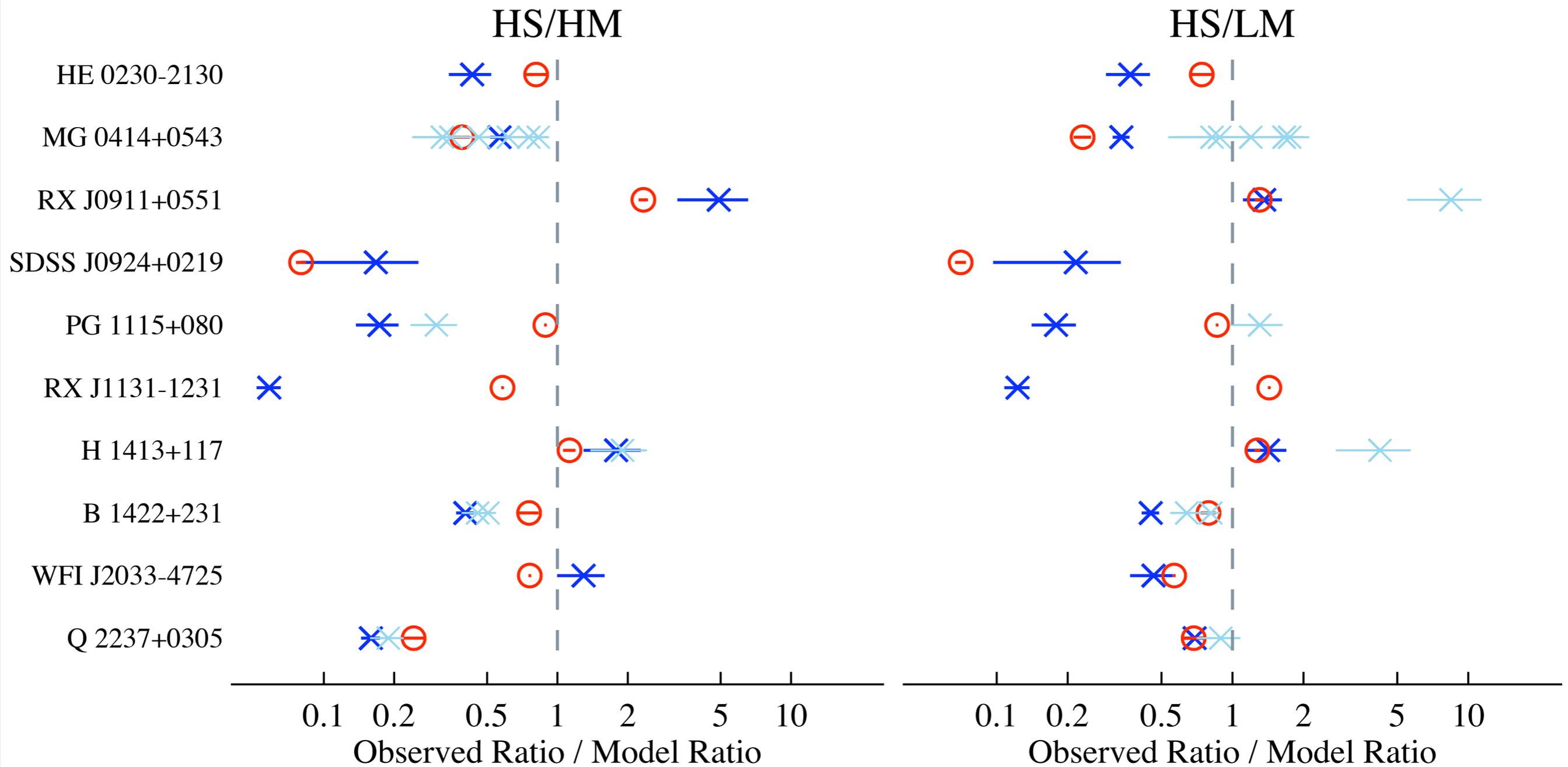
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**High Magnification
Minima**

**High Magnification
Saddle Points**

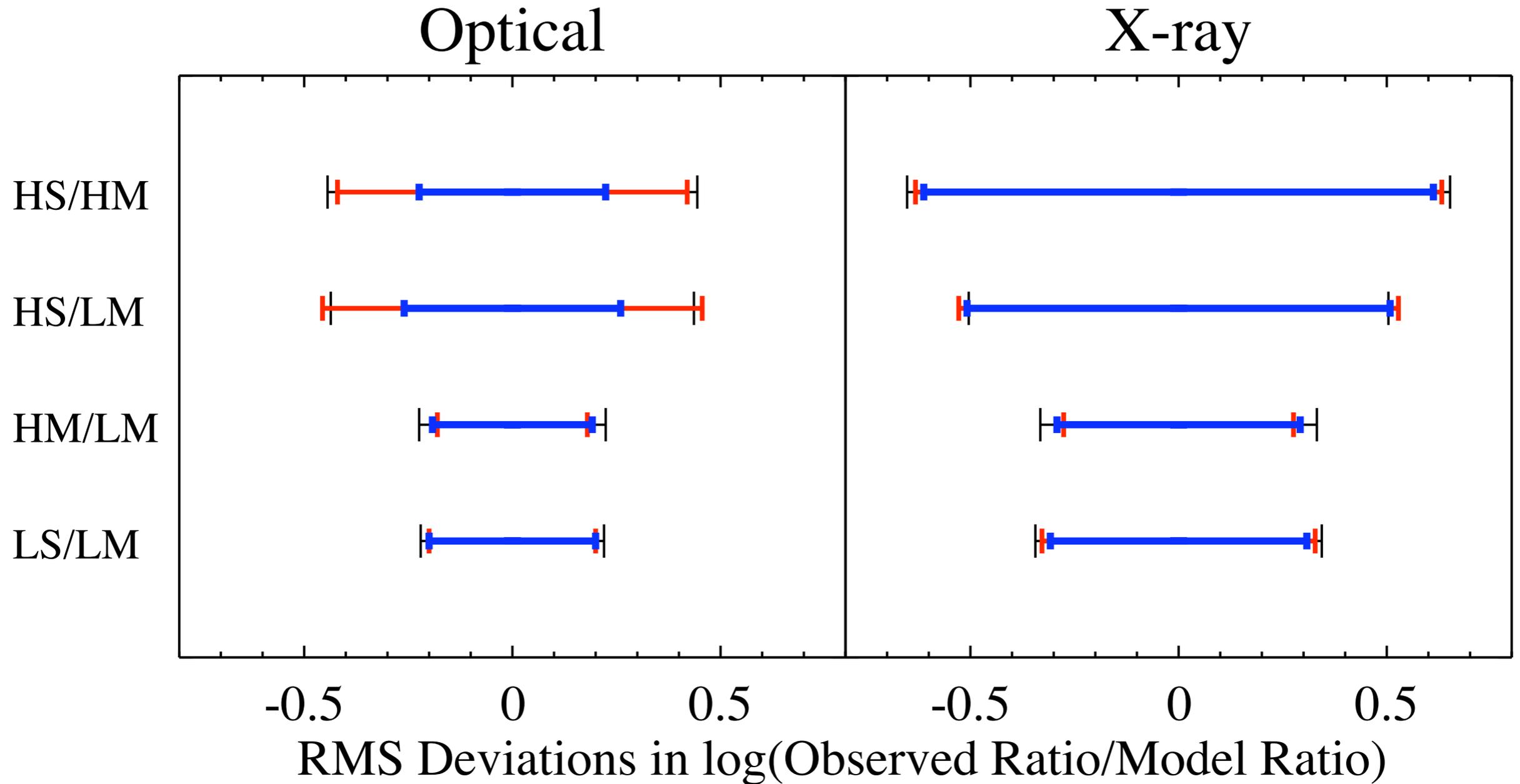
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Flux Ratio Anomalies: Optical vs. X-ray



All systems

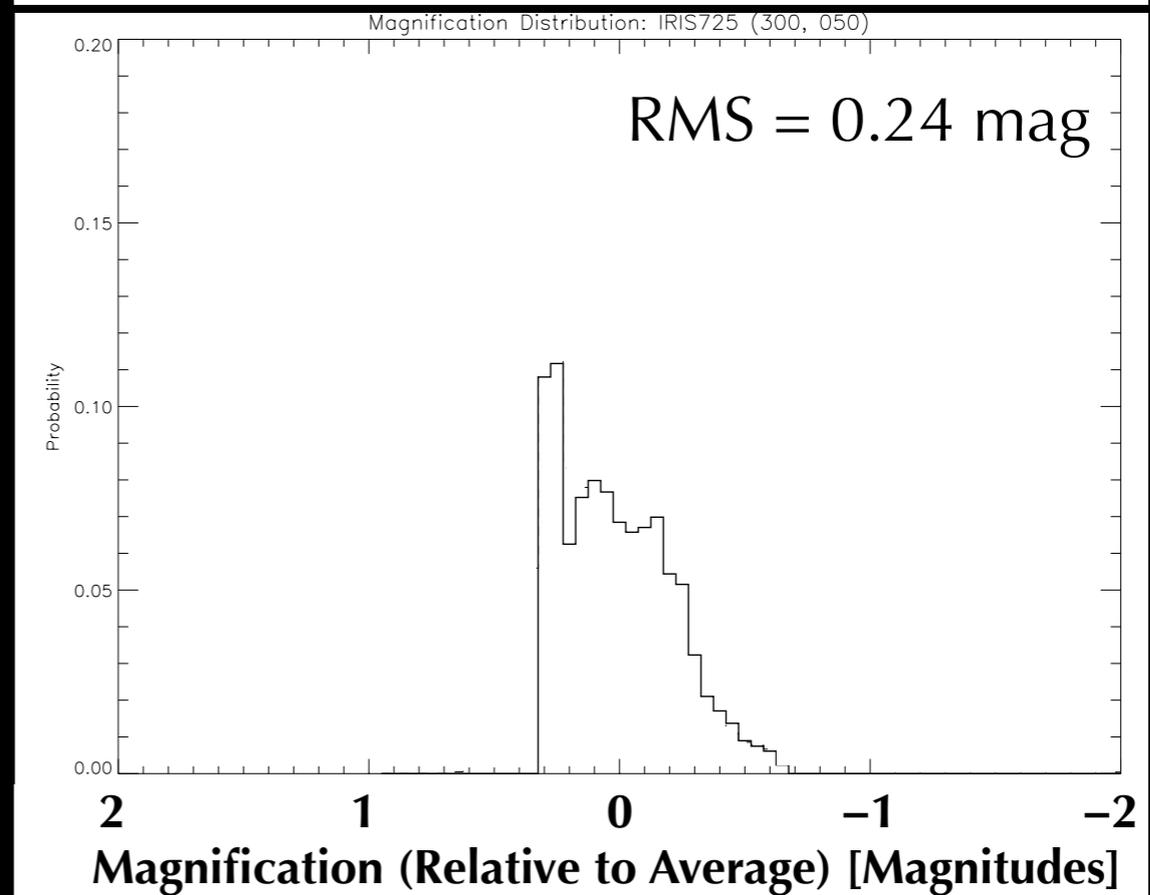
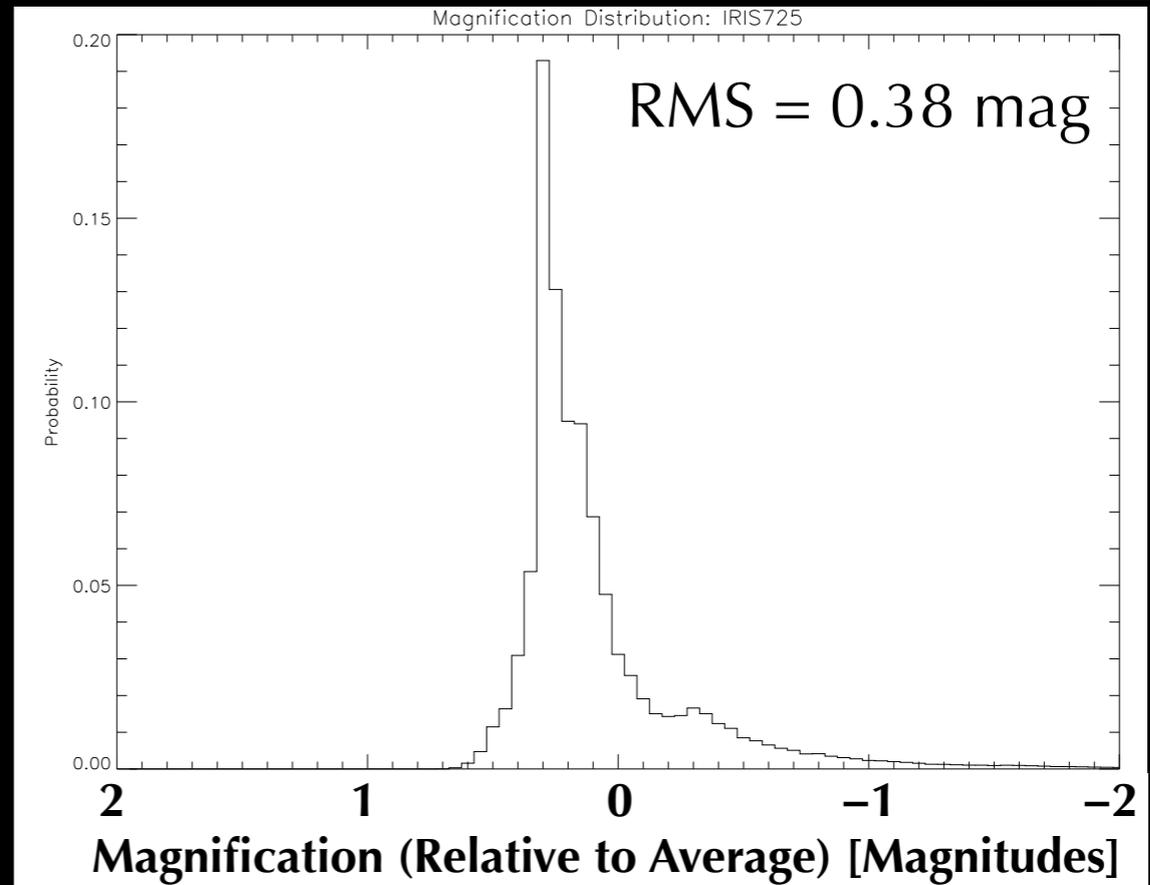
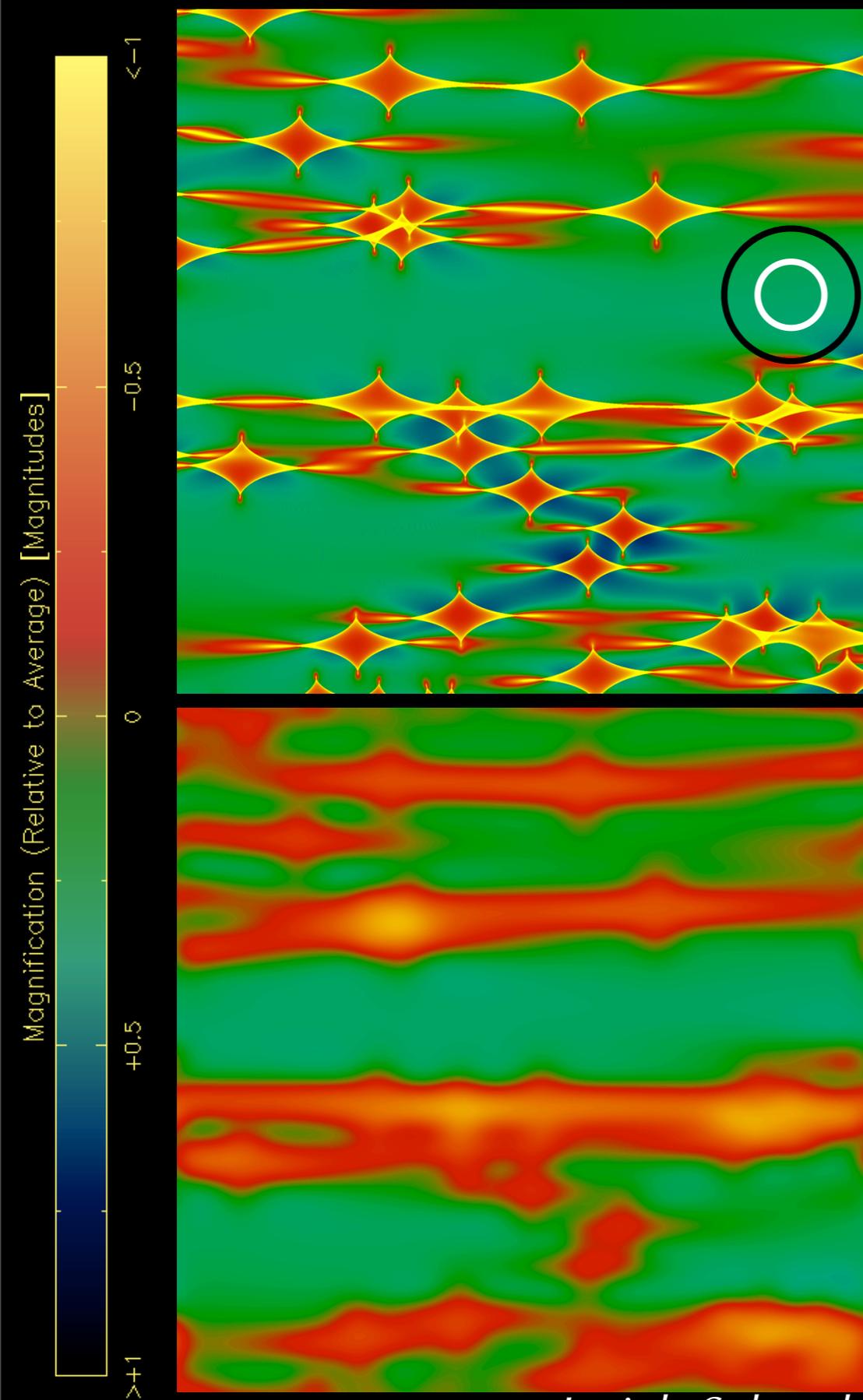
Excluding Q 2237+0305

Also excluding SDSS J0924+0219

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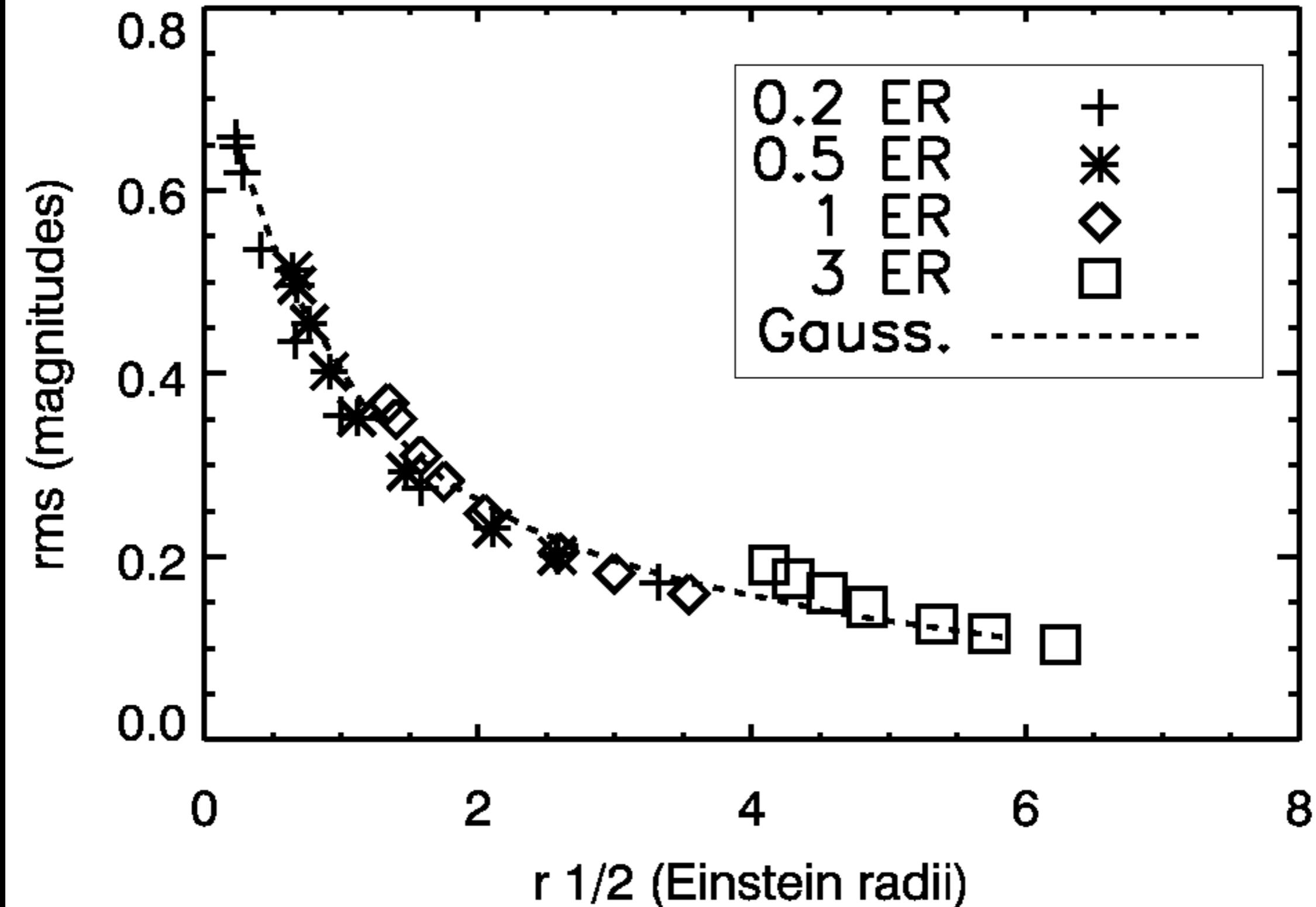
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Flux Ratio Anomalies: The effects of source size



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Flux Ratio Anomalies: The effects of source shape



Conclusion:

Our optical anomalies are roughly half the amplitude of the X-ray anomalies

$$\Rightarrow \text{optical } R_{1/2} \gtrsim 1/3 R_{\text{Ein}}$$

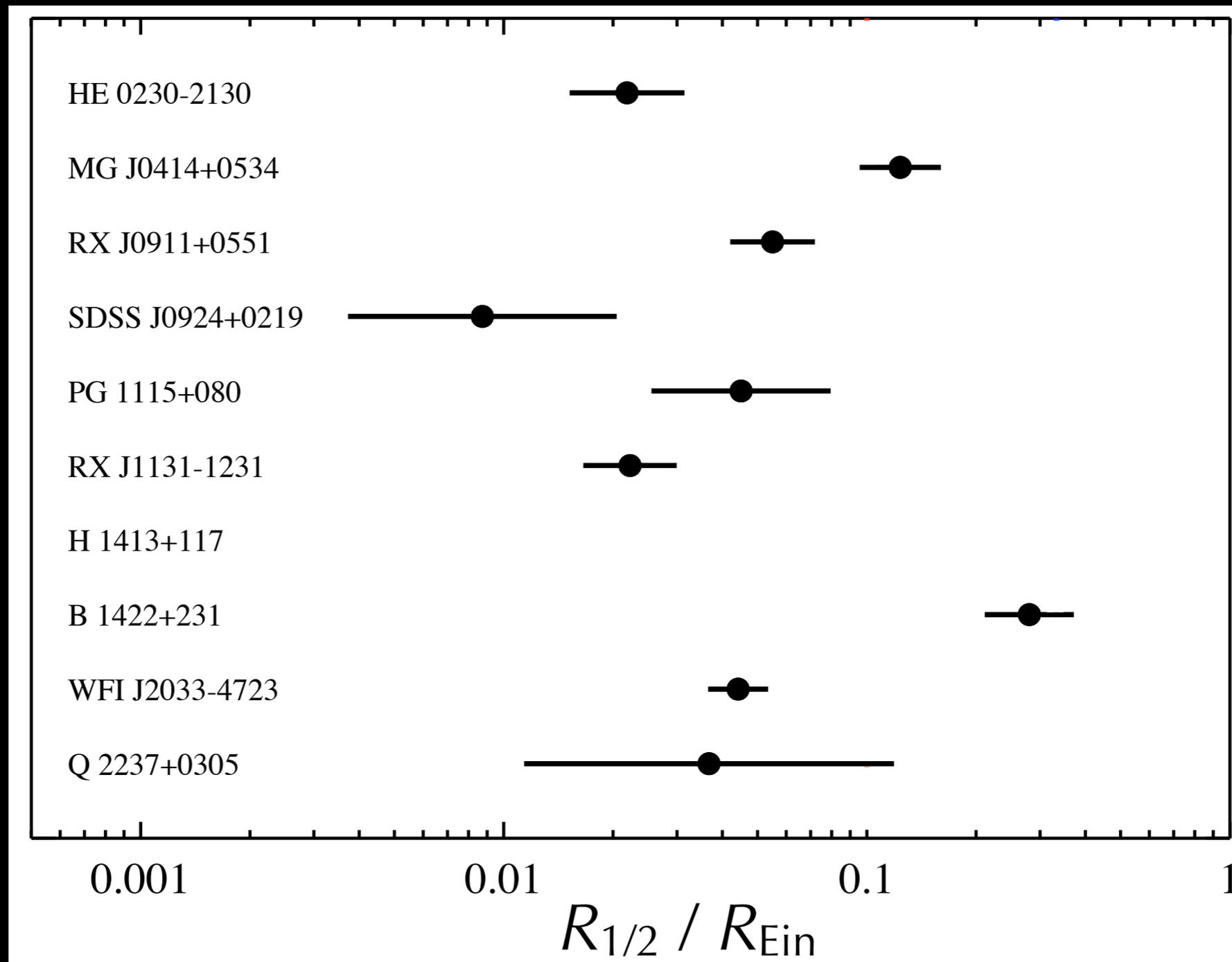
The Sizes of Quasar Emission Regions

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Quasar	$L_{\text{bol,opt}}^{\text{a}}$ (10^{45} erg s $^{-1}$)	$L_{\text{bol,X}}^{\text{b}}$ (10^{45} erg s $^{-1}$)	$\log M_{\text{BH}}^{\text{c}}$ (M_{\odot})	$r_{1/2}^{\text{d}}$ (10^{15} cm)	$r_{1/2}^{\text{d}}$ (R_g)	stellar $r_{\text{Ein}}^{\text{e}}$ (10^{15} cm)	$\log r_{1/2}/r_{\text{Ein}}$
HE 0230–2130	2.9	6.3	7.95 ± 0.24	0.93	70	43	-1.66 ± 0.16
MG J0414+0534	36	28	9.04 ± 0.17	3.8	23	31	-0.91 ± 0.11
RX J0911+0551	13	13	8.60 ± 0.18	1.9	32	35	-1.26 ± 0.12
SDSS J0924+0219	0.6	0.3	7.27 ± 0.56	0.42	152	48	-2.06 ± 0.37
PG 1115+080	11	6.6	8.53 ± 0.37	2.5	50	55	-1.35 ± 0.25
RX J1131–1231	0.80	1.3	7.39 ± 0.19	0.84	230	38	-1.65 ± 0.13
H 1413+117	56	6.5	9.24 ± 0.51	5.4
B 1422+231	250	135	9.89 ± 0.18	13	11	47	-0.55 ± 0.12
WFI J2033–4723	5.7	3.8	8.24 ± 0.12	1.6	62	36	-1.35 ± 0.08
Q 2237+0305	32	2.7	8.99 ± 0.76	5.5	38	150	-1.43 ± 0.51

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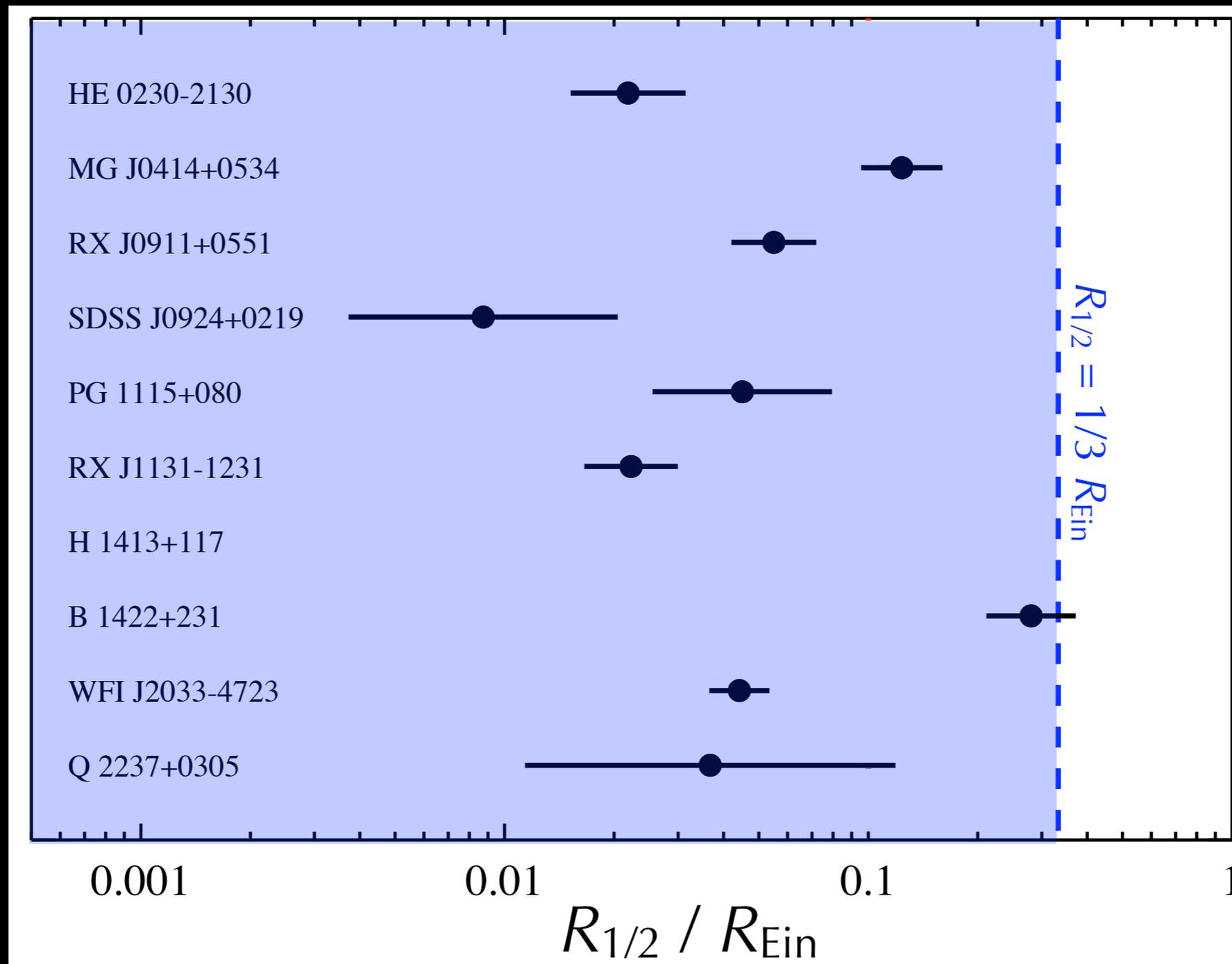
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Summary & Outlook

- * Microlensing is the primary cause of the flux ratio anomalies
- * Optical emitting regions of these quasars have sizes $\gtrsim 1/3$ of a stellar Einstein radius, i.e., a few μ -arcsec, corresponding to $\sim 10^{16-17}$ cm
- * Standard accretion disks are too small
- * Four new systems coming in *Chandra* Cycle 8
- * These same flux ratio anomalies can be used to determine the ratio of stellar matter to dark matter in the lens galaxy

Stellar/Smooth Matter Fraction

Schechter & Wambsganns 2002

