

# New opportunities for primordial black hole detection

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# PBH Dark Matter

- Black holes
  - astrophysical → old stars
  - **primordial** → early Universe [Zeldovich, Novikov, 1967; Hawking, 1971; Carr, Hawking, 1974]
- Why PBH DM ?
  - no clear signs of particle DM
  - GW astronomy [Kovetz, Ali-Haïmoud, Sasaki, Garcia-Bellido, Riotto, Profumo, Byrnes...]
  - can appear in many BSM models
  - help solve astro puzzles [Carr, Dolgov, Tkachev...]
  - already possible in standard cosmology (unlikely)

→ typical formation from inflationary perturbations requires tuning...  
→ need exciting observables to test vast parameter space

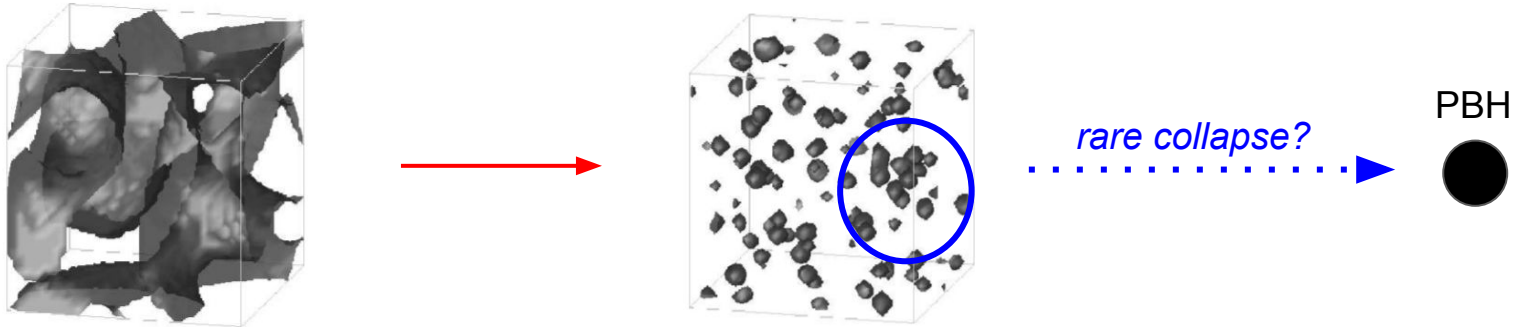


# Black Holes from Scalar Fragments

- Scalars very generic in BSM theories (SUSY)
- Post-inflation self-interacting scalars could fragment from instabilities (Q-balls/oscillons)

\*\*\* *if gravity is weakest force, fragmentation possibly very generic* [Kusenko, VT, Yamada, Yamazaki, 2019]

simulations [Multamaki, Vilja, 2002]



- PBHs from overdense region collapse (unrelated to inflation perturbations)

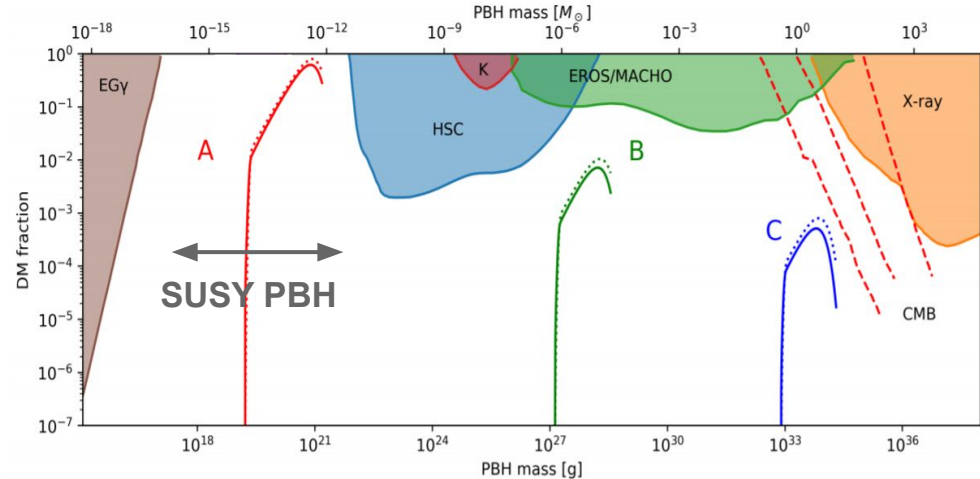
[Zel'dovich (early ideas); Cotner, Kusenko, Sasaki, VT]

# Black Holes from Scalar Fragments

## PBHs from low-scale SUSY

$$\rho_\phi \sim M_{\text{SUSY}}^4$$

$$M_{\text{PBH}} \sim 10^{20} \text{ g} \left( \frac{100 \text{ TeV}}{M_{\text{SUSY}}} \right)^2$$

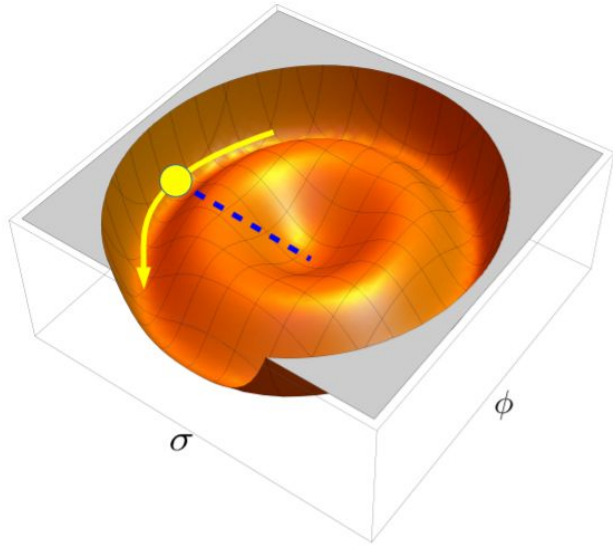


- Big (a ~ 1) BH spin possible (hard to make in usual mechanisms)

[Cotner, Kusenko, Sasaki, VT]

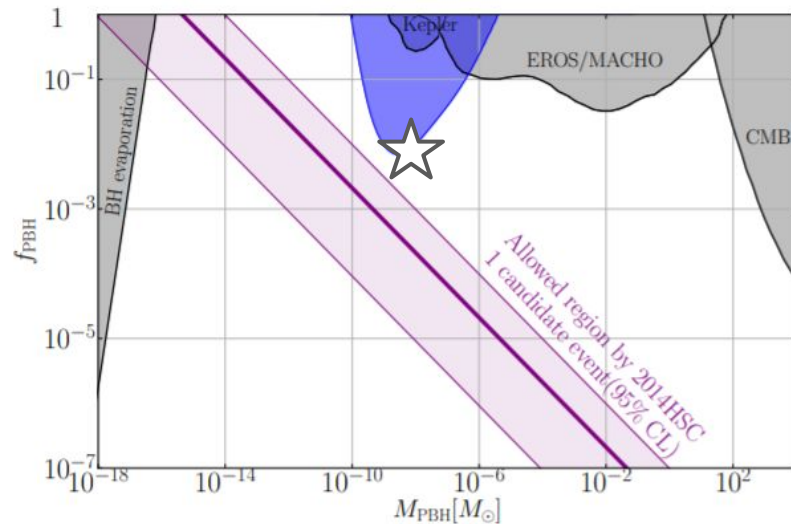
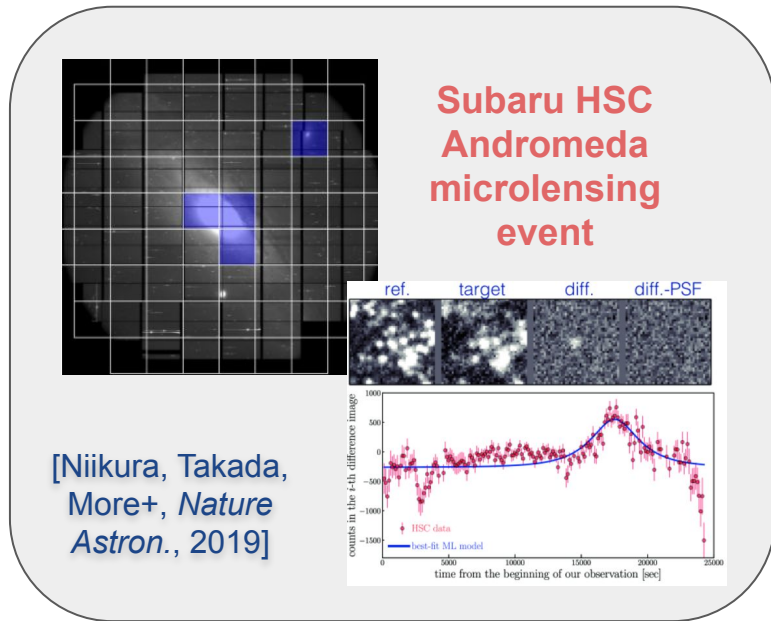
# Black Holes from Bubble Multiverse

- Multi(scalar)-field inflation well motivated  $\rightarrow$  vacuum bubble “multiverse” generic prediction
- Collapsing bubbles form PBHs with extended mass-spectrum



[Vilenkin *et. al.*; Kusenko, Sasaki, Sugiyama, Takada, VT, Vitagliano, *Phys. Rev. Lett.*, 2020]

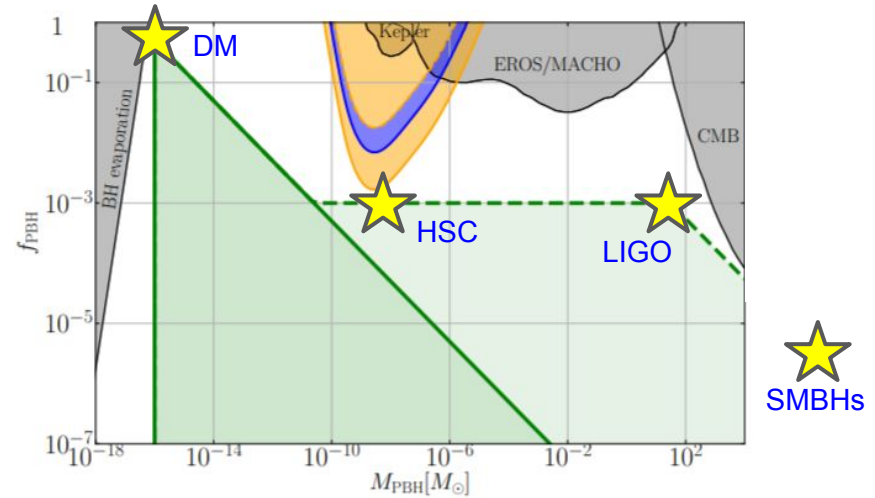
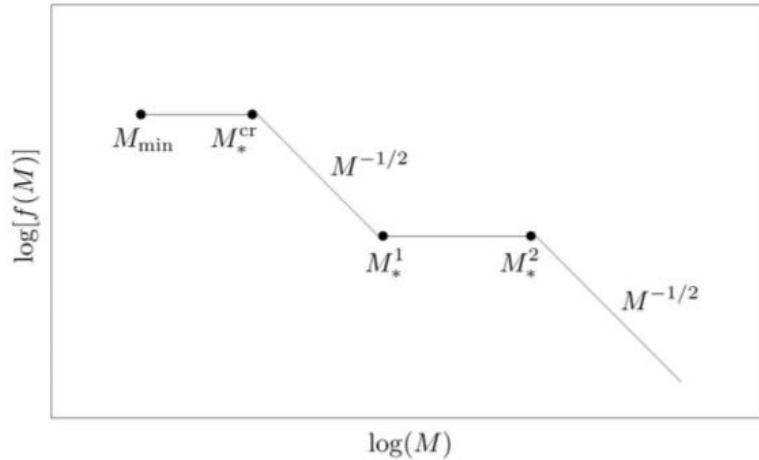
# PBH DM from Bubble Multiverse: Detected by HSC ?!



- PBH DM from bubble multiverse consistent with detected HSC event !

[Kusenko, Sasaki, Sugiyama, Takada, VT, Vitagliano, *Phys. Rev. Lett.*, 2020]

# PBH DM from Bubble Multiverse: One Model for All



- Generalized model for everything: DM, HSC & LIGO events, seeds of supermassive BHs

**Upcoming HSC observations will definitively test bubble multiverse PBH DM !**

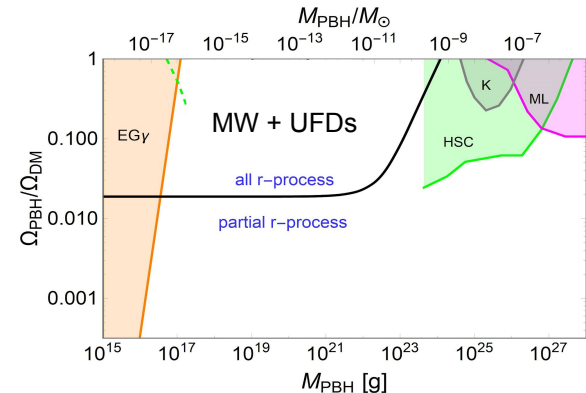
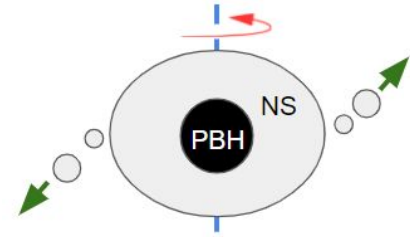
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# Making Gold with Black Holes

- GW170817 NS-NS merger detection settled the origin of heavy elements... *but did it ?*  
→ merger contributions overestimated [Kobayashi+, 2020]



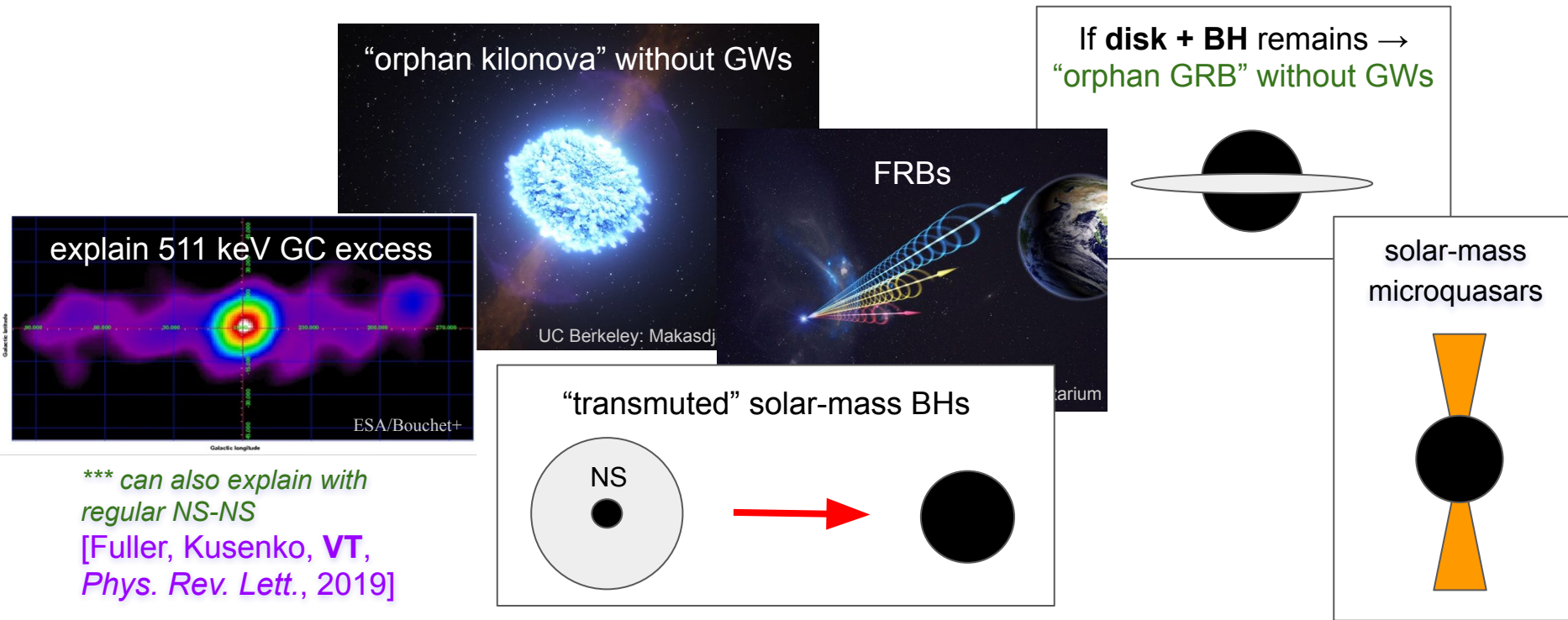
- Asteroid-mass DM PBHs to the rescue  
captured by NSs, PBHs consume and explode them  
→ r-process nucleosynthesis gold factories



[Fuller, Kusenko, VT, *Phys. Rev. Lett.*, 2017]



# Compact Stars as PBH Laboratories

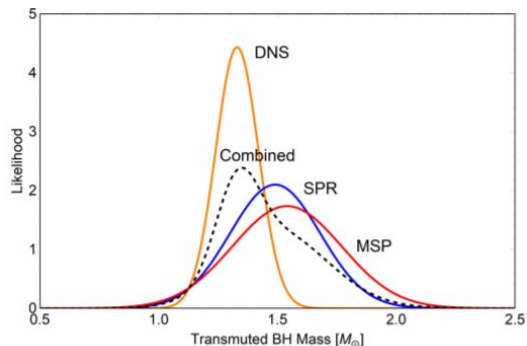


# Origin of Solar Mass BHs

- Solar-mass BHs unexpected in astrophysics → signature of PBHs (or particle DM [Tinyakov...])
- LIGO events consistent with  $\sim 1.5\text{-}2.6 M_{\odot}$  BHs [Abbott+, *ApJL*, 2020...]  
...how to distinguish BH origin ?

- Simple but powerful test: solar BH mass-function

→ *transmuted solar-mass BHs from small PBH or particle DM capture will follow NS masses*



Trial Fit	Candidate GW Events	Total Events	BH Mass ( $M_{\odot}$ )	K-S Test (p-value)
1	GW190814	2	2.6	$7.2 \times 10^{-3}$
	GW190425		1.8	
2	GW190814	3	2.6	$9.5 \times 10^{-2}$
	GW190425		1.8	
	GW170817		1.5	
3	test event 1	7	1.3	$1.8 \times 10^{-3}$
	test event 2		1.5	
	test event 3		1.8	
	test event 4		2.0	
	test event 5		2.1	
	test event 6		2.2	
	test event 7		2.3	

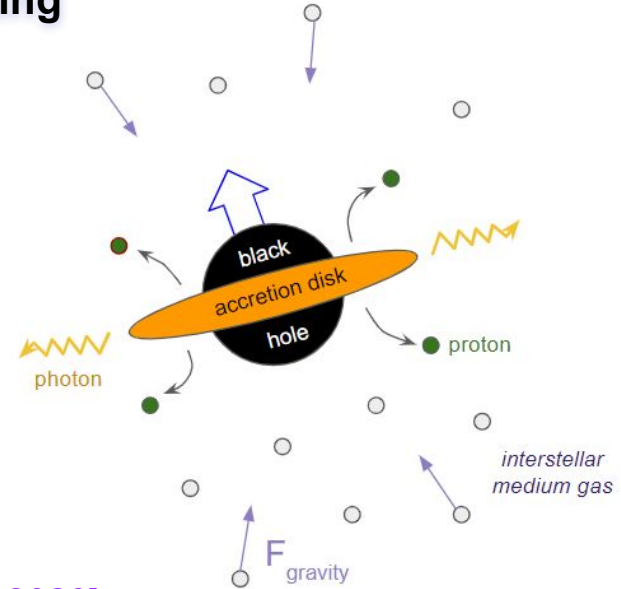
Large ( $> 1.5 M_{\odot}$ ) candidates unlikely to be transmuted BHs!

[VT, Fuller, Kusenko, 2020]

...related ideas [Dasgupta, Laha, Ray, 2020]

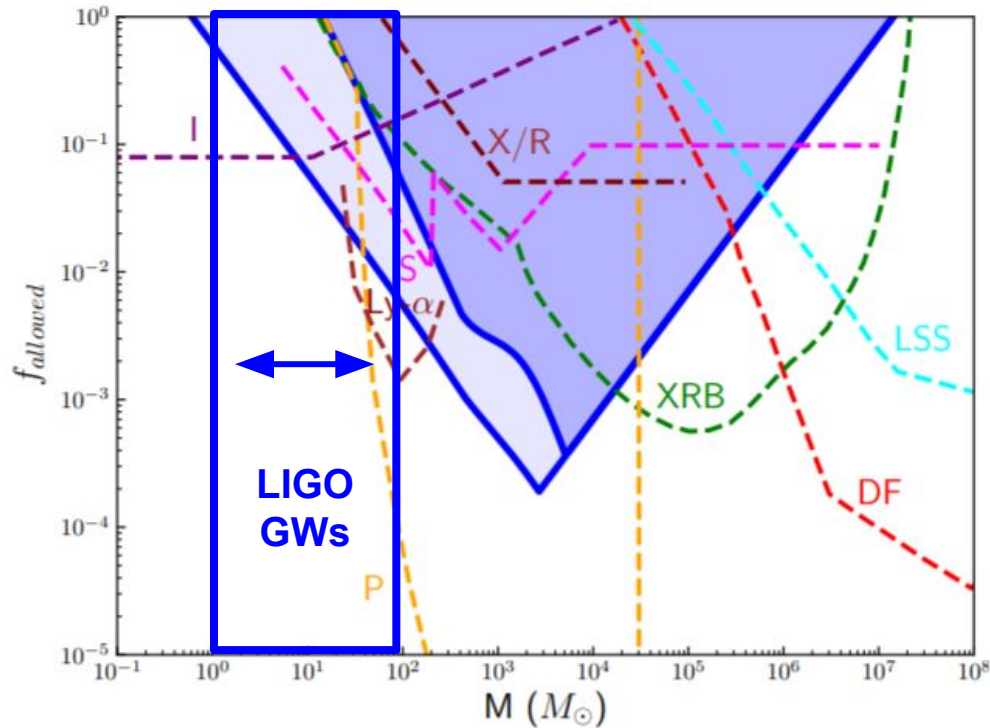
# Are Intermediate-mass BHs Primordial ?

- GW190521 event  $\sim 150 M_{\odot}$  merger mass [Abbott+, *PRL*, 2020], first definitive IMBH detection
- New general cosmology-independent observable: **gas heating**
- Main PBH heating mechanisms of interstellar medium:
  - dynamical friction
  - accretion disk photon emission
  - accretion mass outflows / winds
- Great testing site: dwarf DM-rich galaxies (Leo T)



[Lu, VT, Gelmini, Hayashi, Inoue, Kusenko, 2020]

# PBH Gas Heating



\*\*\* can also use to  
constrain evaporating  
PBHs

[Kim, 2020;  
Laha, Lu, VT, 2020]

[Lu, VT, Gelmini, Hayashi, Inoue, Kusenko, 2020]



# Summary

- Renaissance era in PBH research → intimate synergy with multi-messenger astronomy
- New general PBH formation scenarios with scalars: high spin, broad mass-spectrum...  
→ upcoming definitive tests with optical telescopes
- Many interesting under-explored observables, especially from compact star interactions
- Simple powerful test to establish solar-mass BH origin: mass-function
- Novel general cosmology-independent probe of IMBHs: gas heating
- ***Marching towards definitive answers regarding the role of PBHs for DM and in physics !***