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# Black Hole Explosions Beyond the Standard Model

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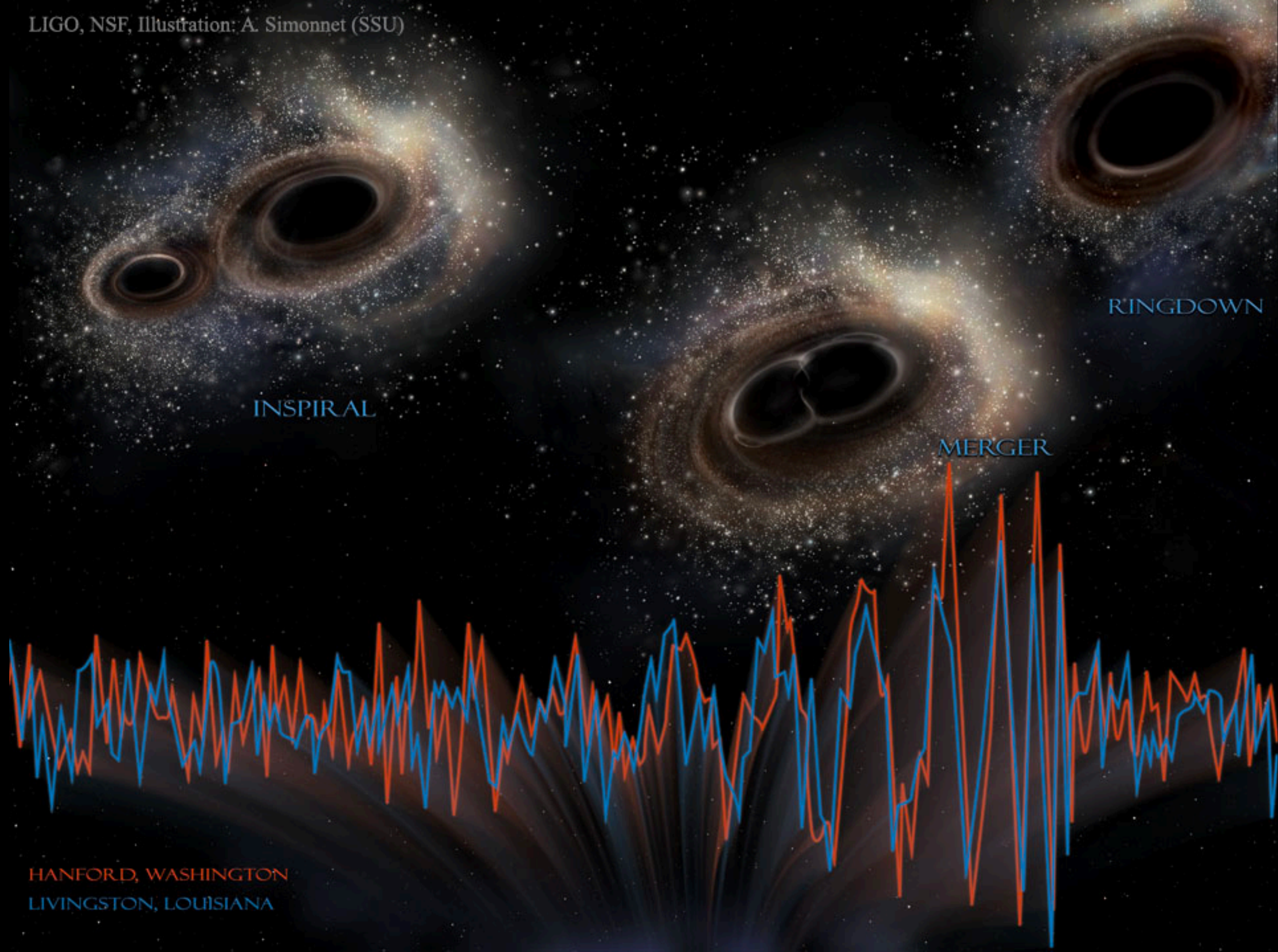


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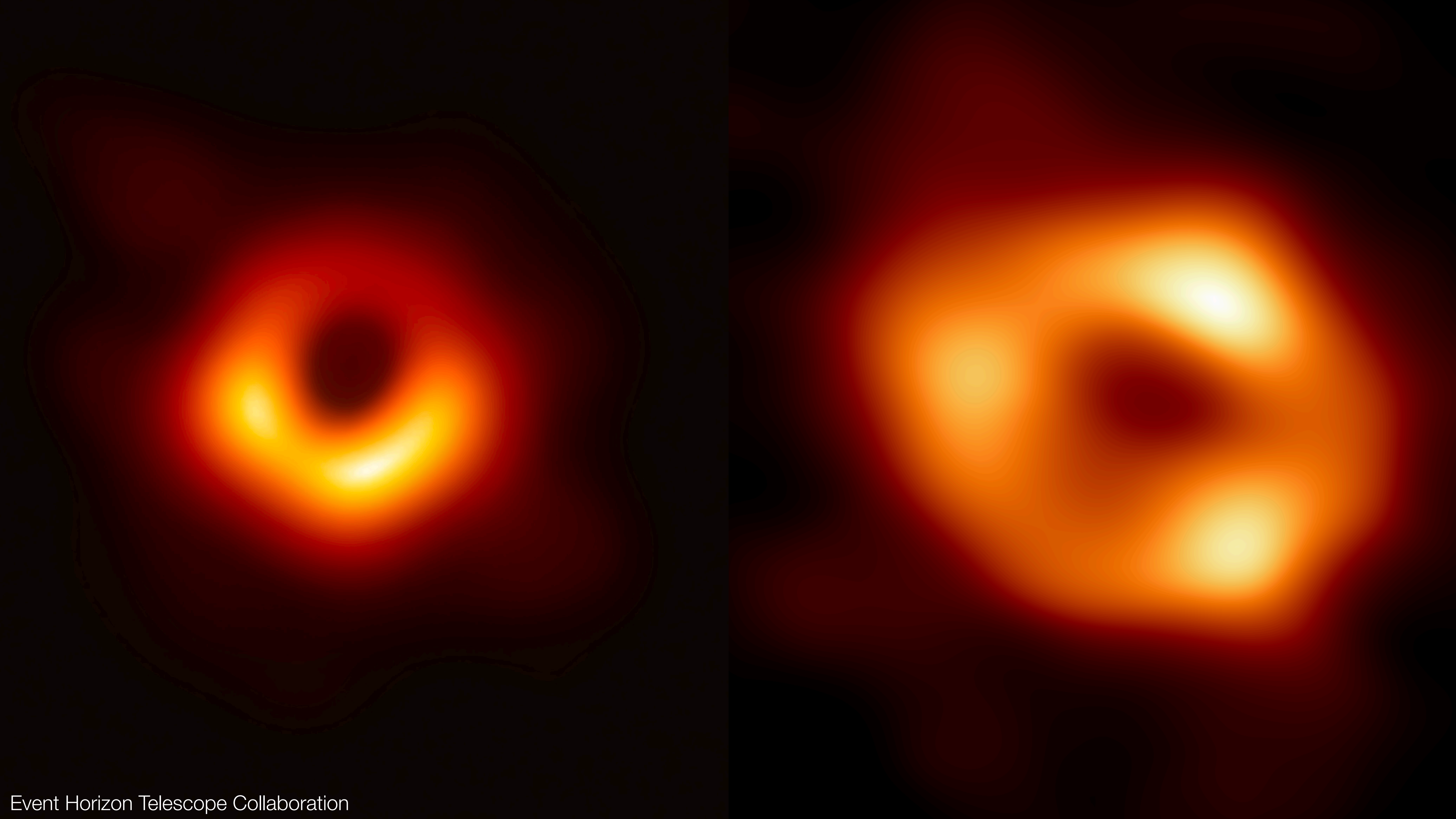
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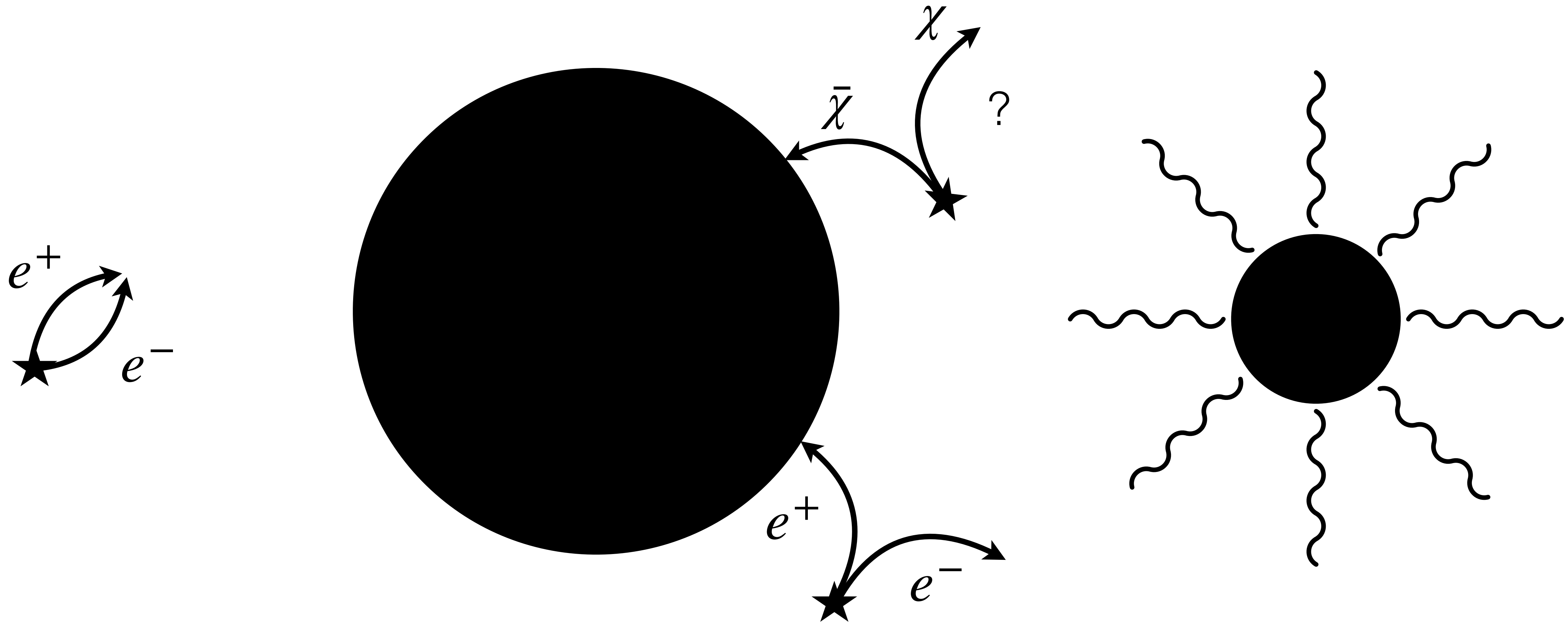
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# Hawking Radiation





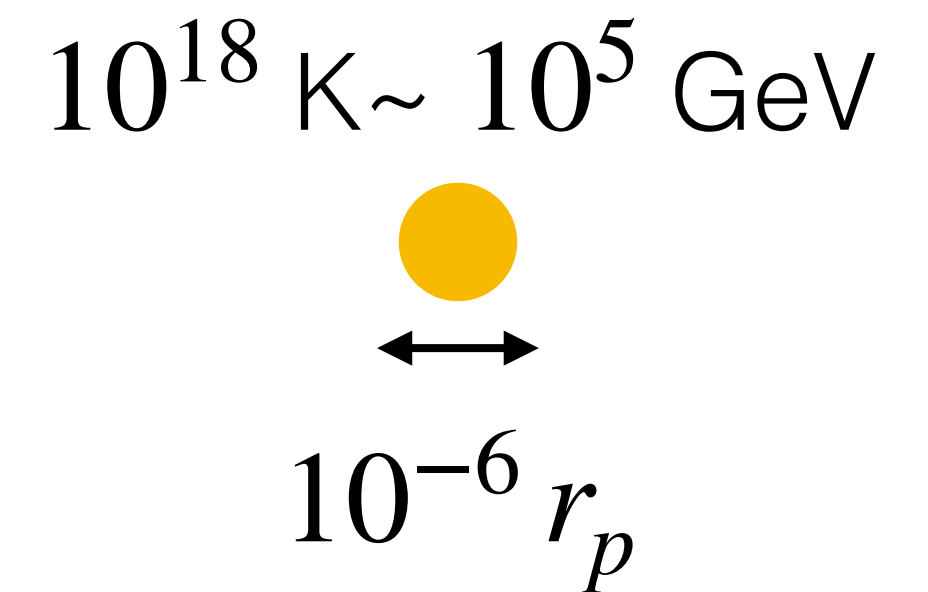
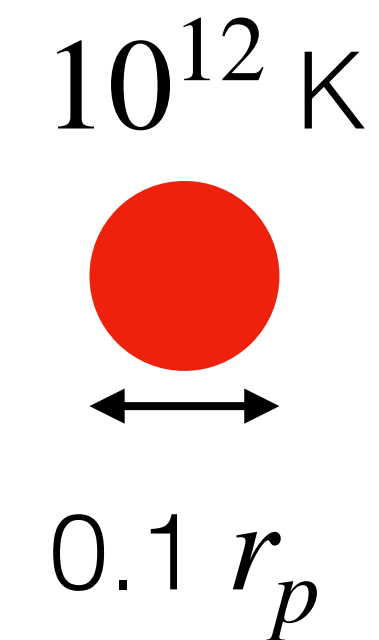
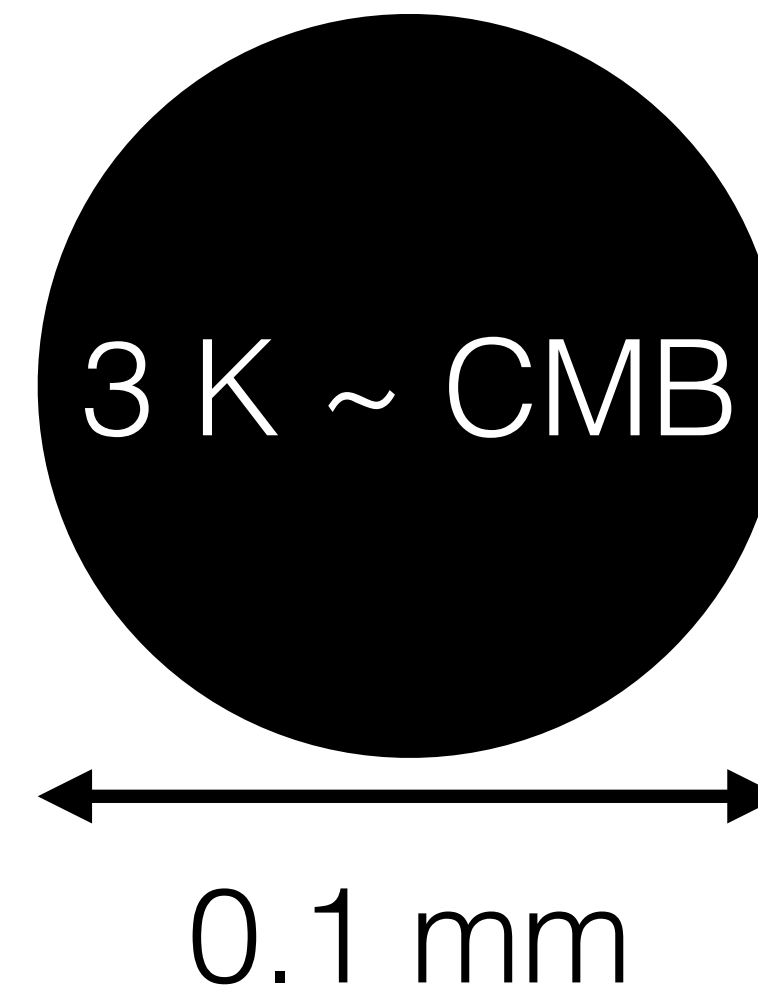
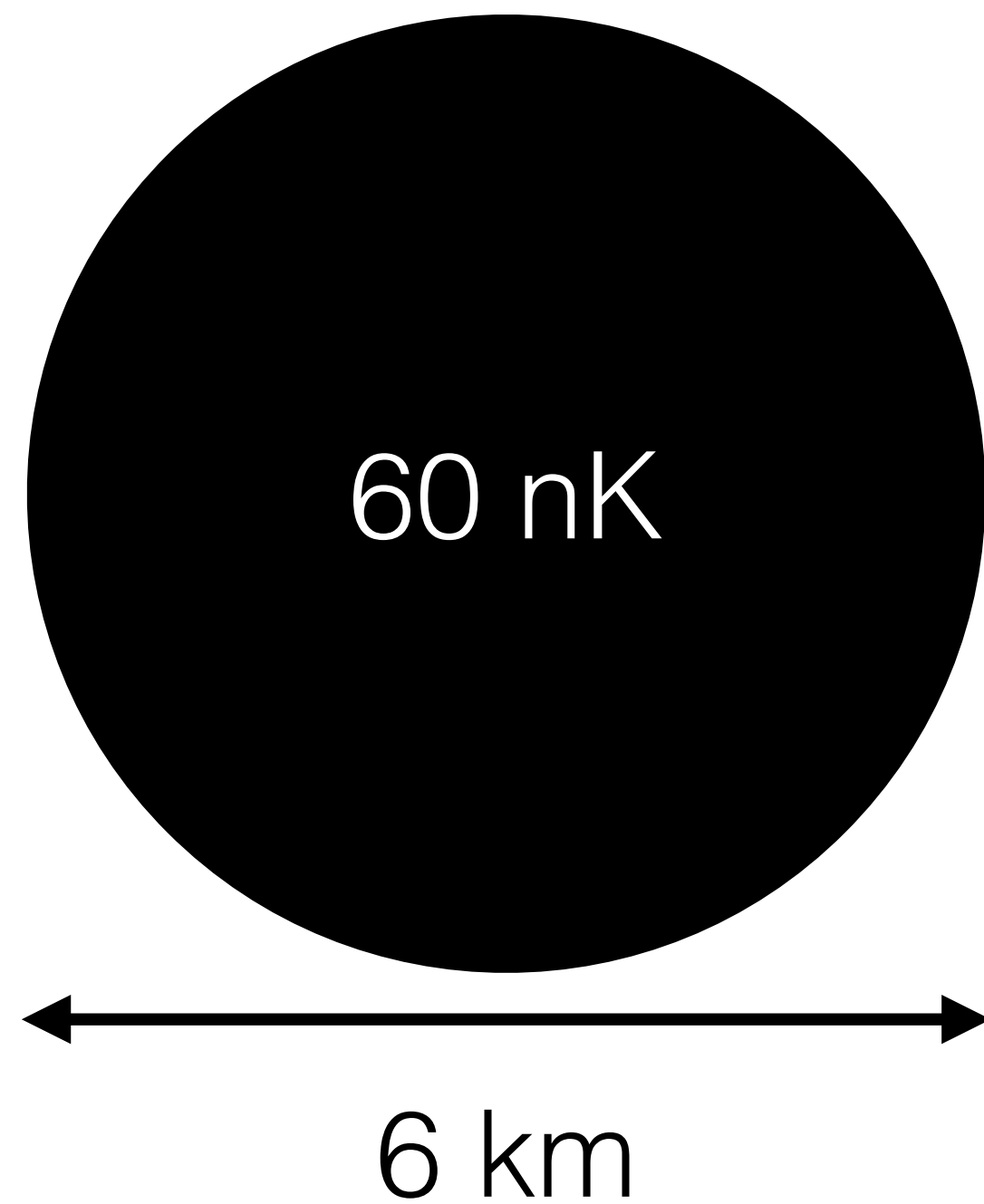
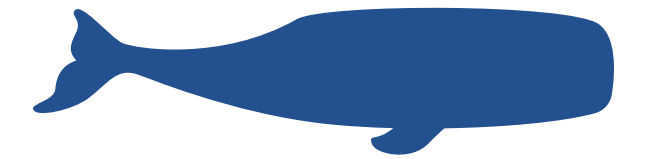
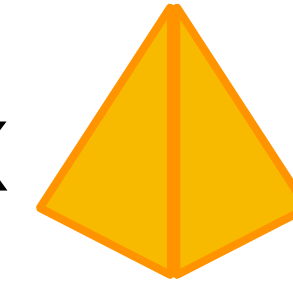
# Hawking Radiation

Mass:

Sun

Moon

10 x



Lifetime:

$10^{67}$  years

$10^{44}$  years

13.8 Gyr

1 s



- Motivations
  - Remove unwanted monopoles or domain walls
  - Seeds for SMBHs or LSS
  - Dark matter?
- Production mechanisms
  - Density perturbations generated during inflation
  - Topological defects
  - Scalar condensates
  - First order cosmological phase transition





## Mapping the Northern Sky in High-Energy Gamma Rays

### HAWC Observatory

HAWC operates day and night, providing a large field of view for the observation of the highest energy gamma rays.

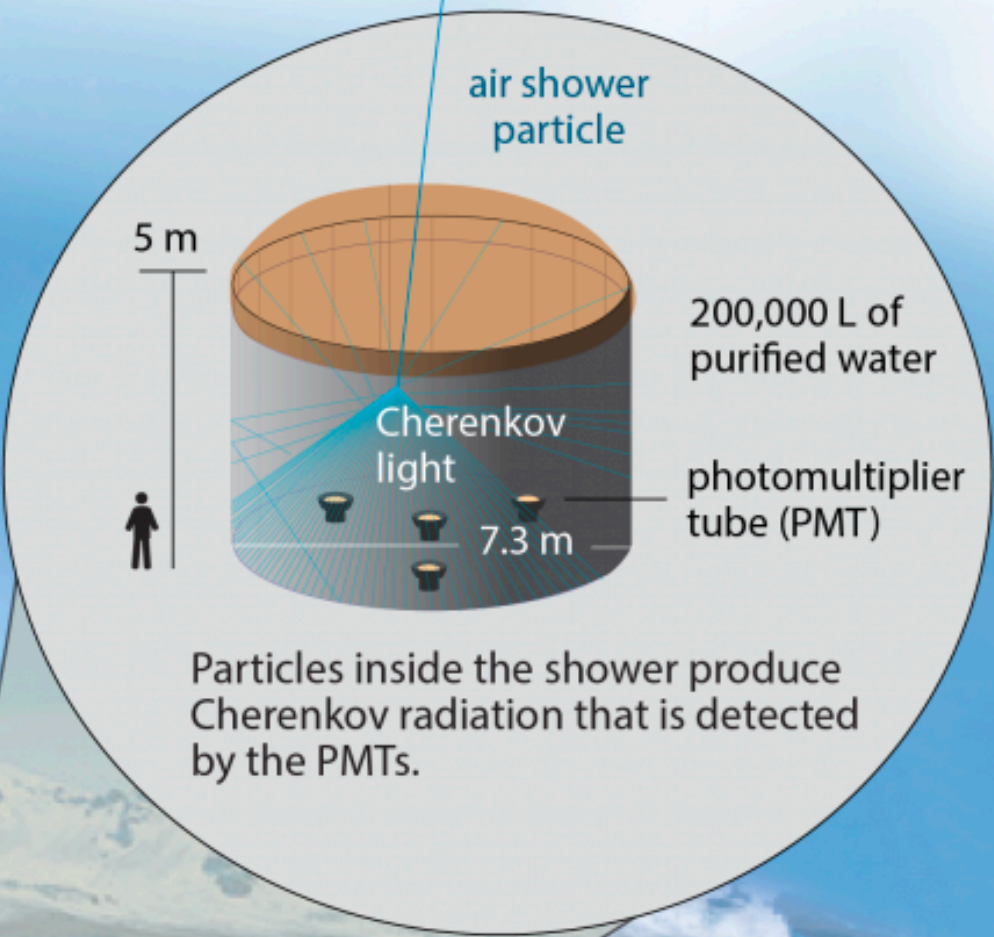


Pico de Orizaba  
(5,626 m)

HAWC is located at 4,100 m above sea level, covering an area of 20,000 m<sup>2</sup>.

### Water Cherenkov tank

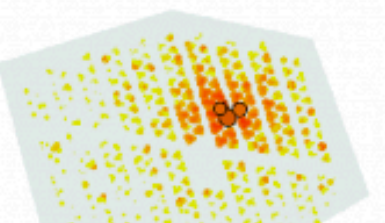
HAWC comprises an array of 300 tanks that record the particles created in gamma-ray and cosmic-ray showers.



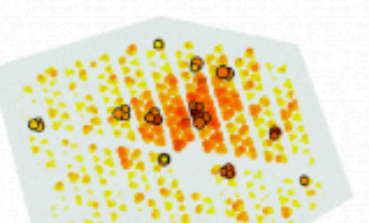
### Gamma rays vs cosmic rays

HAWC selects gamma rays from among a much more abundant background of cosmic rays.

gamma-ray shower



cosmic-ray shower

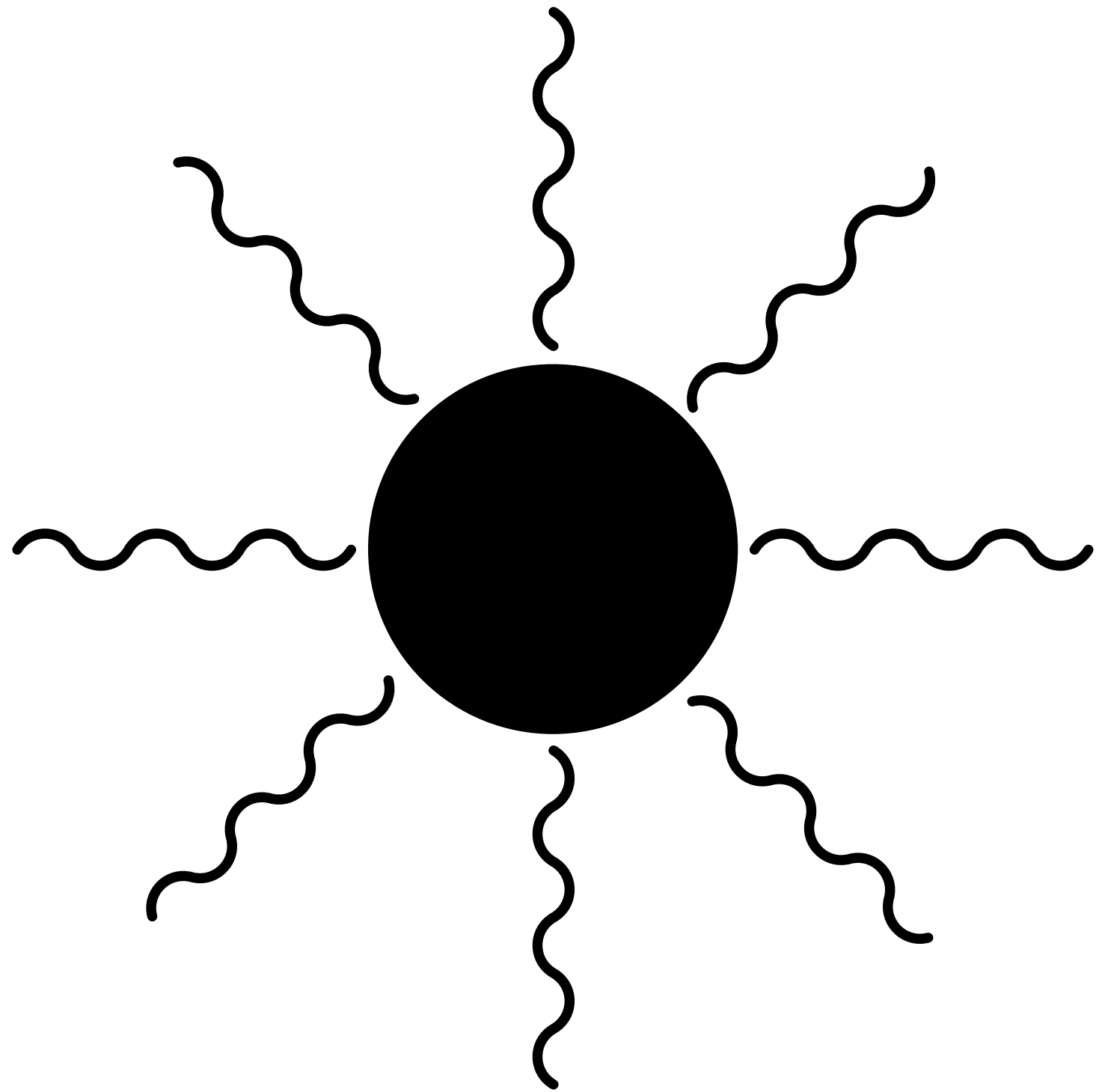




- So,
  - There could be black holes which are exploding today
  - As the black hole shrinks, it heats up (finally reaching  $T \sim M_{\text{Pl}}$ )
  - The black hole radiates all fundamental d.o.f. (SM and BSM) lighter than  $T$
  - Experiments are currently looking for their final explosion
- We ask the question:
  - What could we learn about BSM physics if an exploding black hole were observed today?

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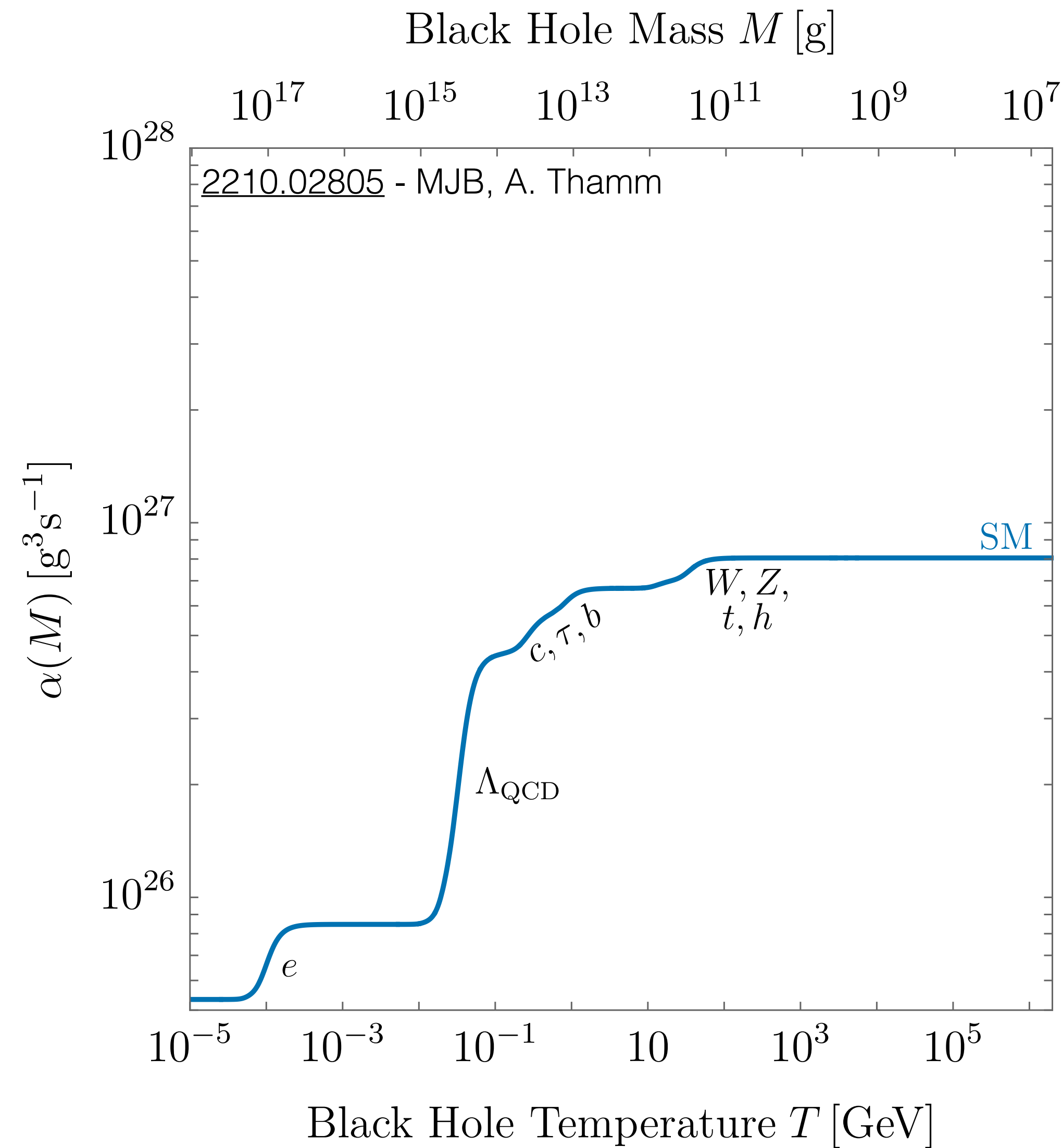
$$\frac{d^2 N_p^i}{dt dE} = \frac{n_{\text{dof}}^i \Gamma^i(M, E)}{2\pi (e^{E/T} \pm 1)}$$

$$T = \frac{1}{8\pi GM}$$

$$\frac{dM}{dt} = - \frac{\alpha(M)}{M^2}$$

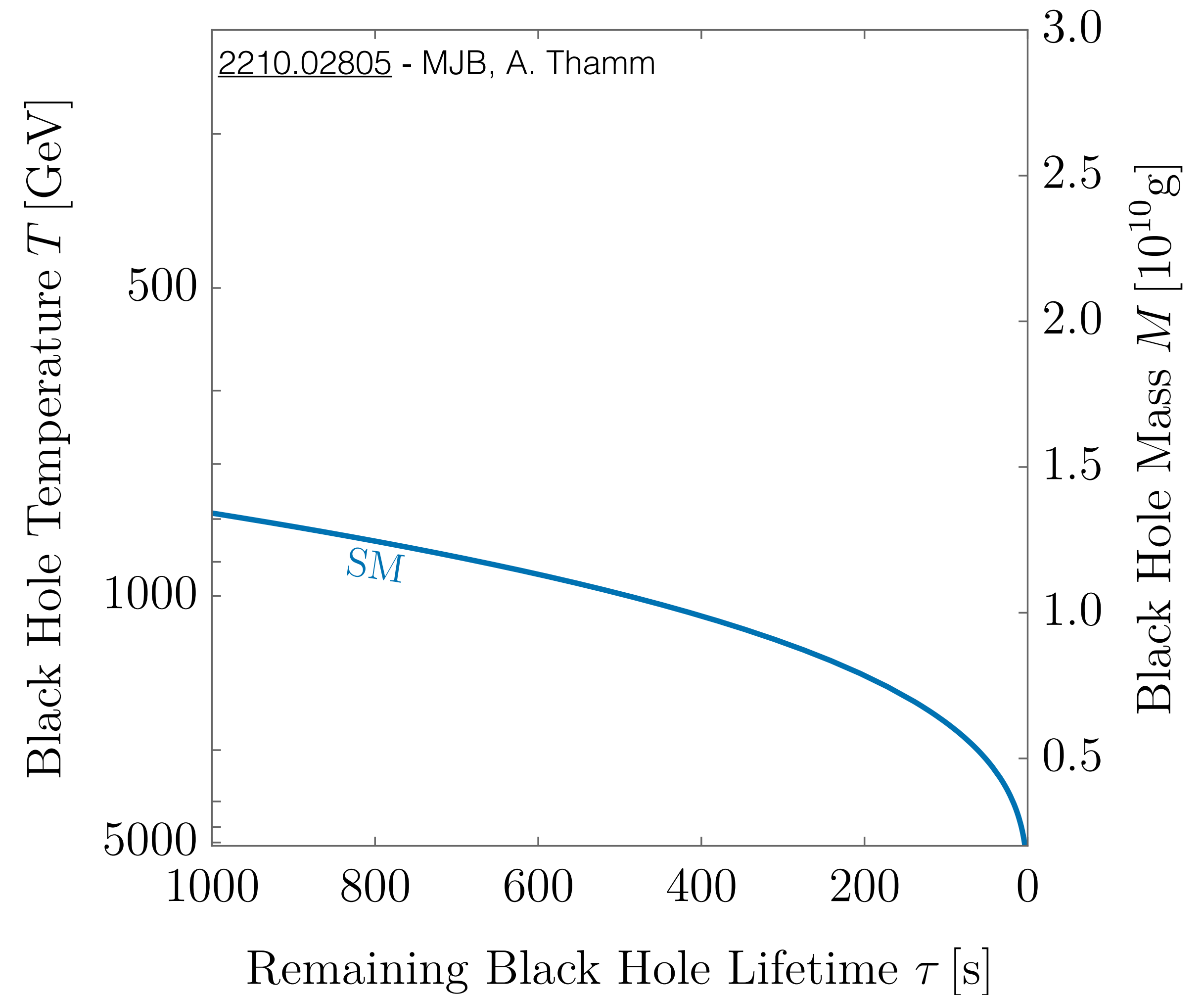
$$\alpha(M) = M^2 \sum_i \int_0^\infty \frac{d^2 N_p}{dt dE}(M, E) E dE$$

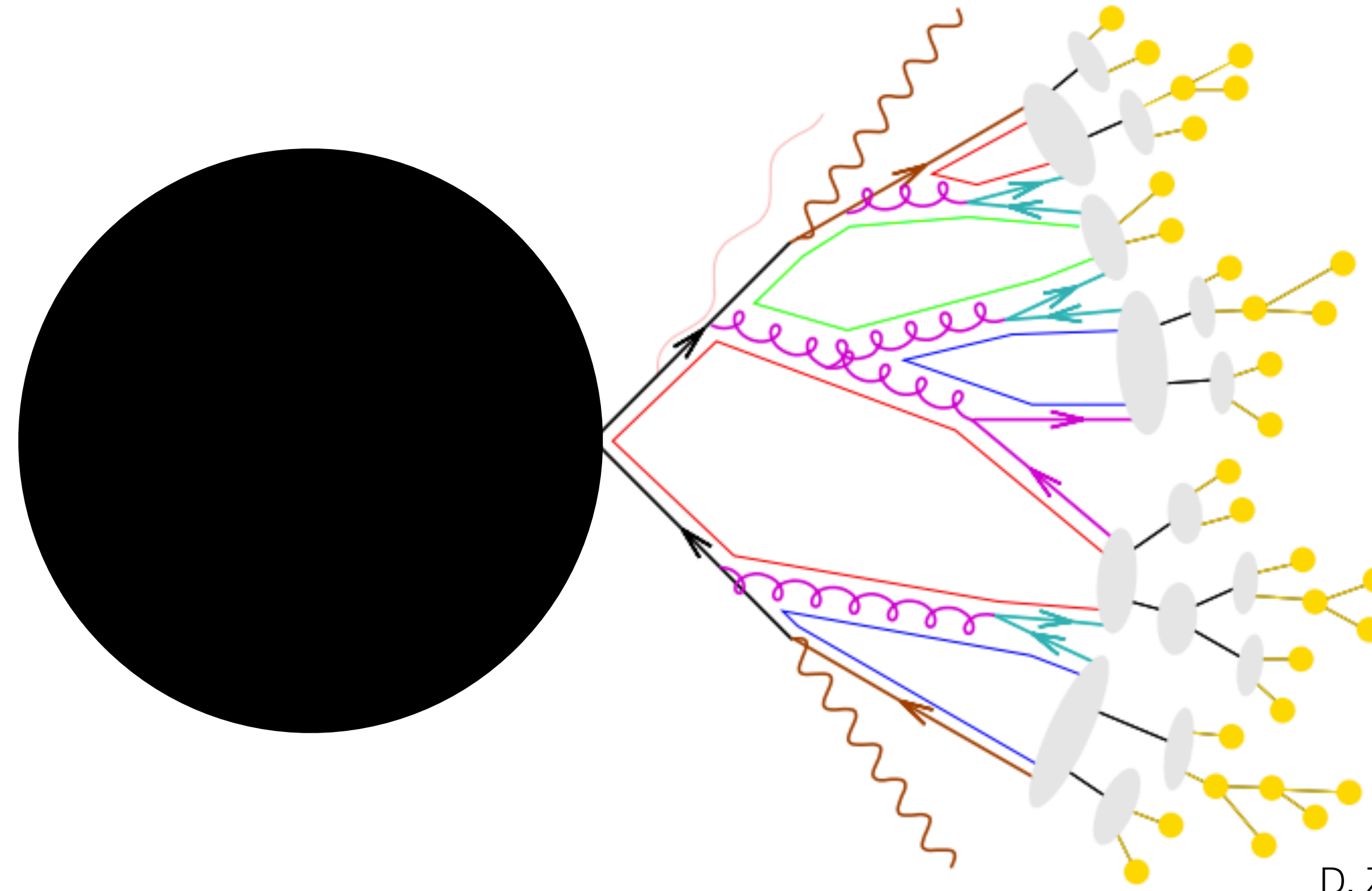
# Primary Particles and Mass Evolution



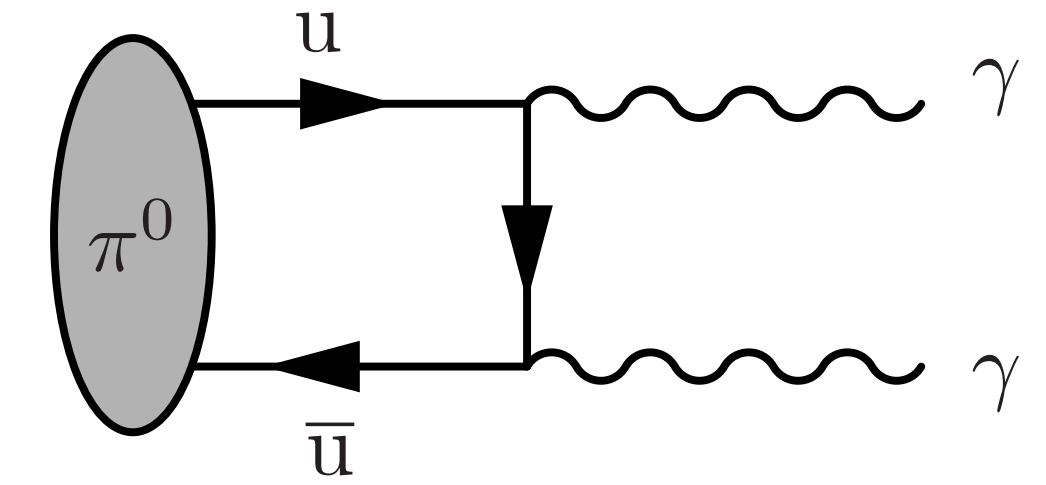
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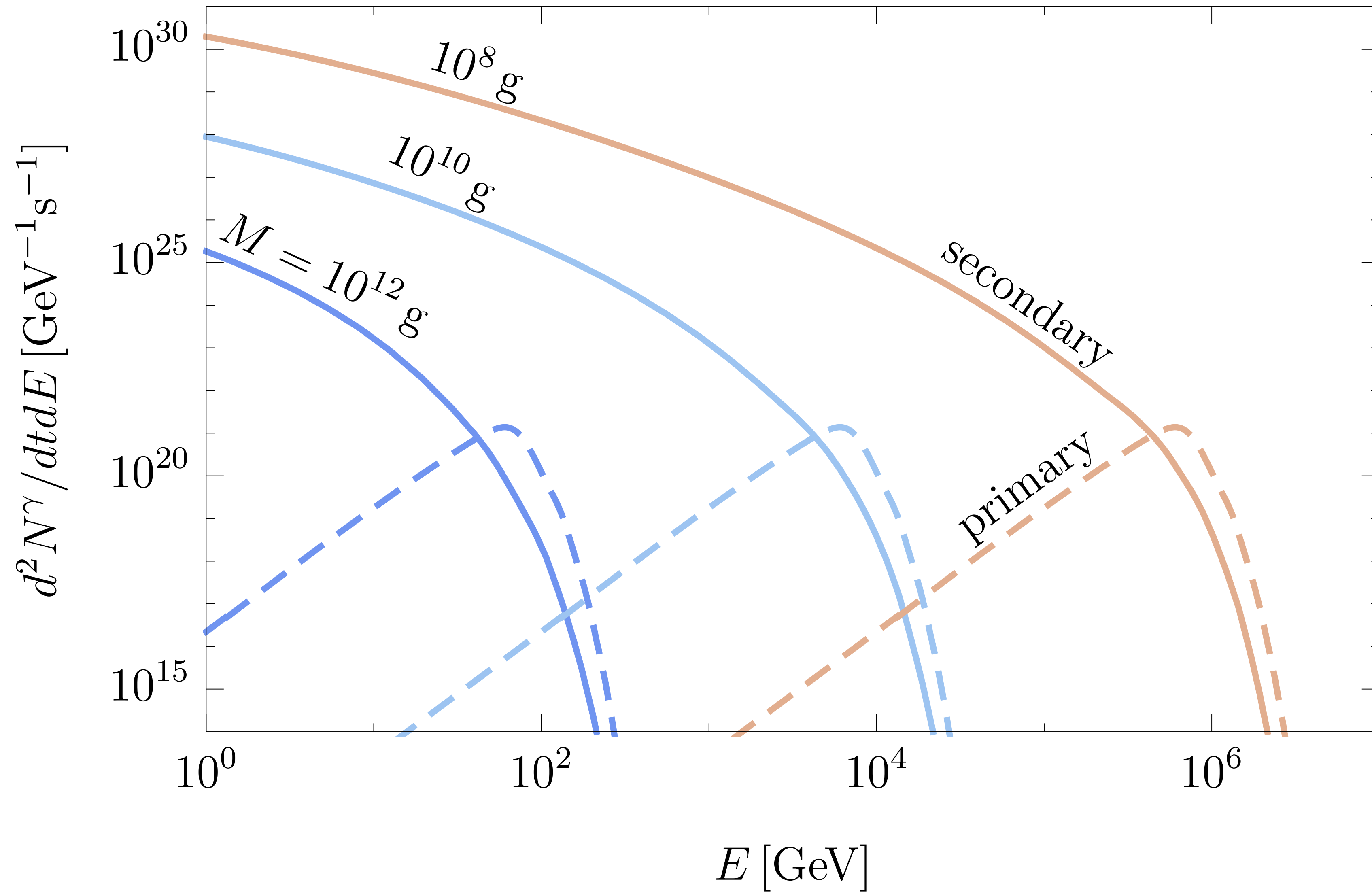
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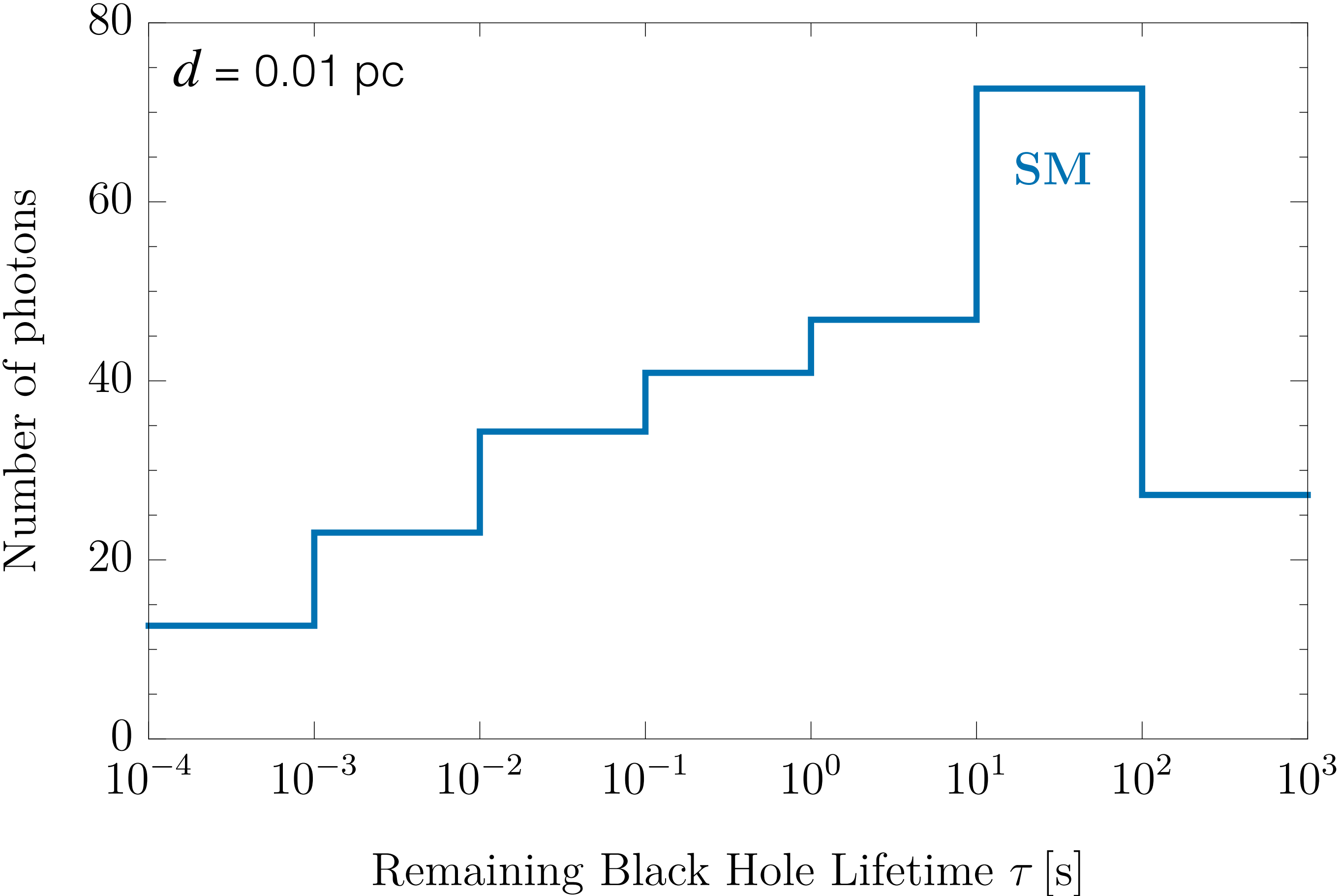
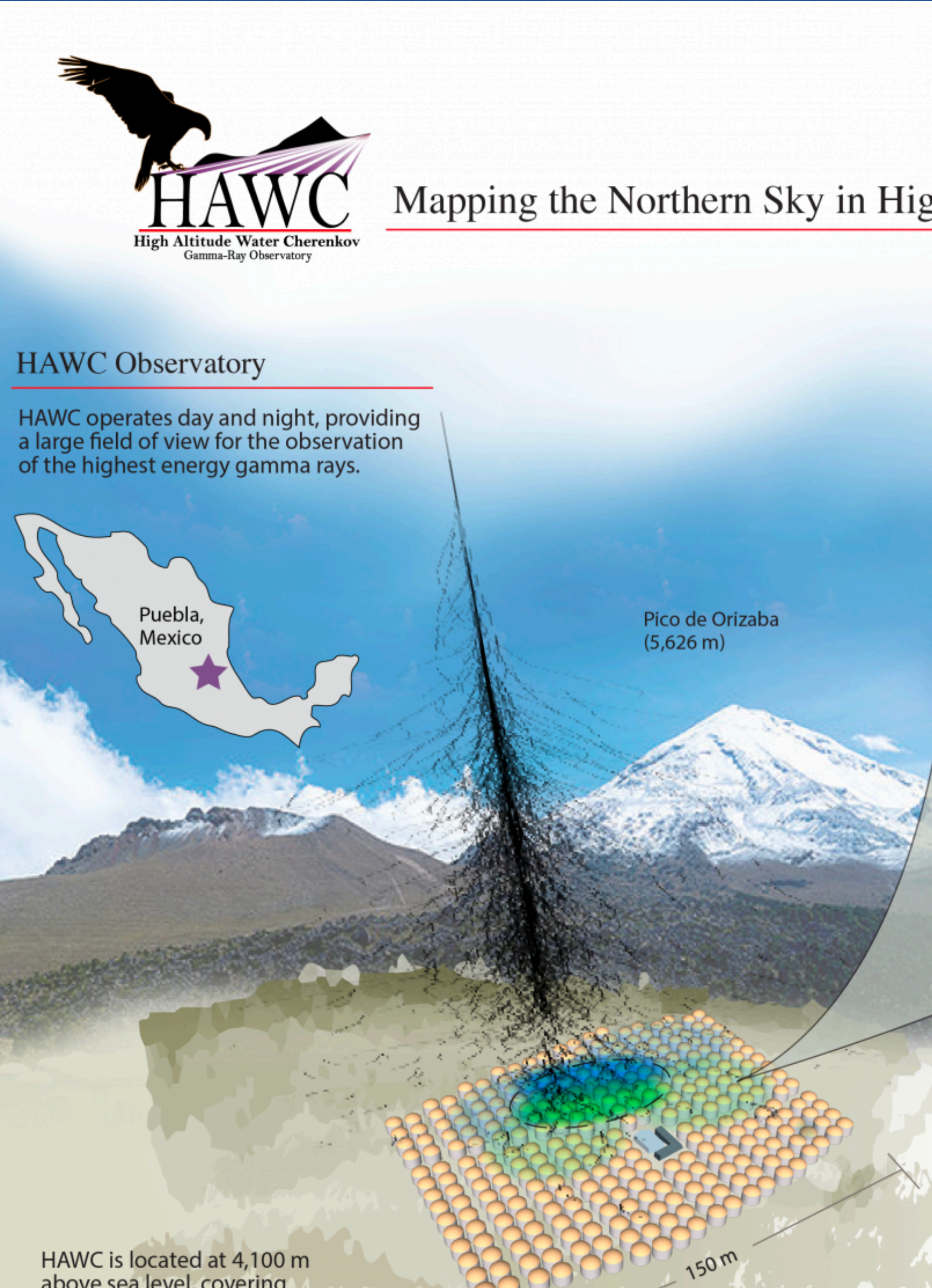
$$\frac{d^2 N_s^\gamma}{dt dE} = \sum_i \int_0^\infty \frac{d^2 N_p^i}{dt dE_p} (M, E_p) \frac{dN^{i \rightarrow \gamma}}{dE} (E_p, E) dE_p$$



# Primary and Secondary Photon Spectra



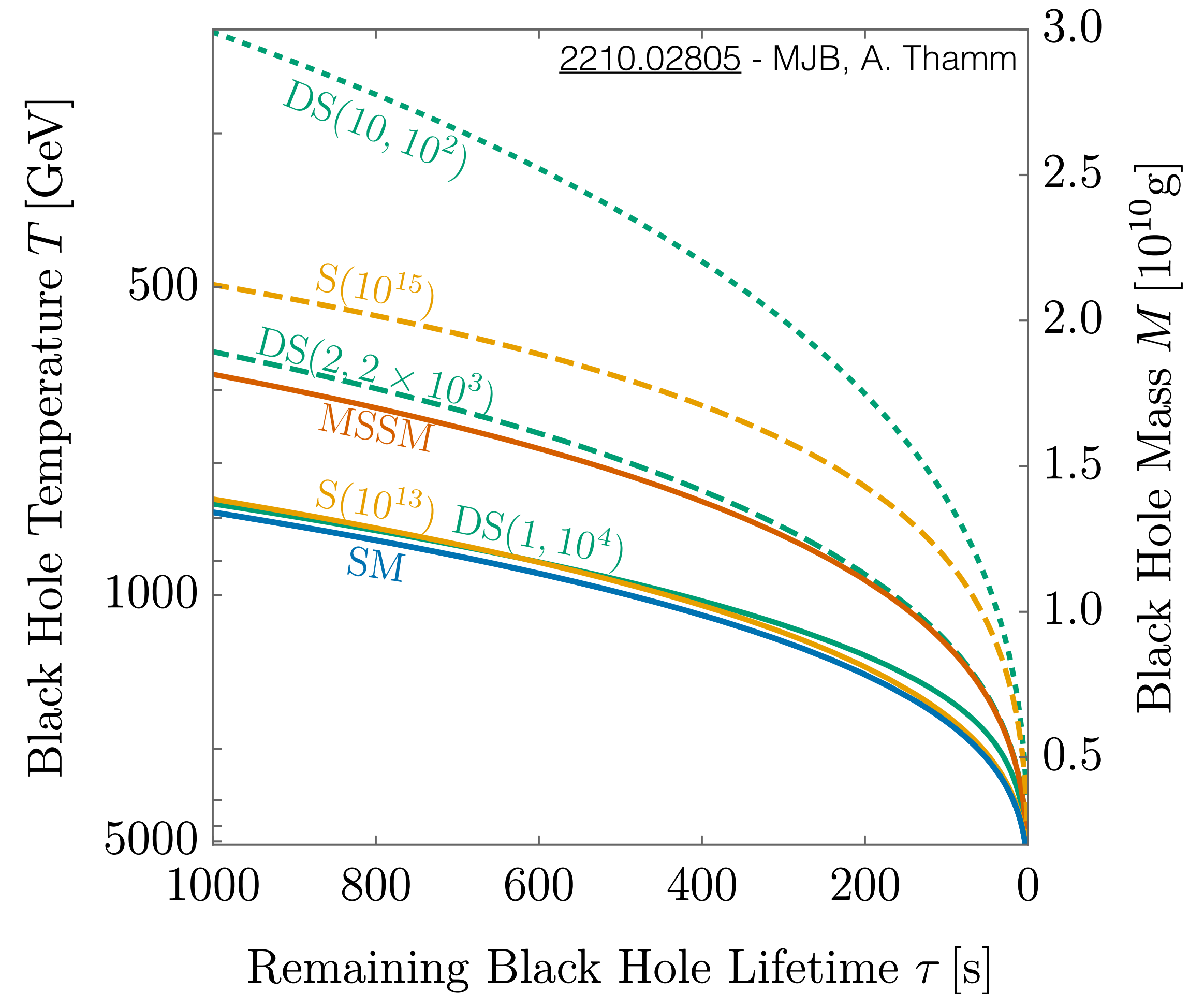
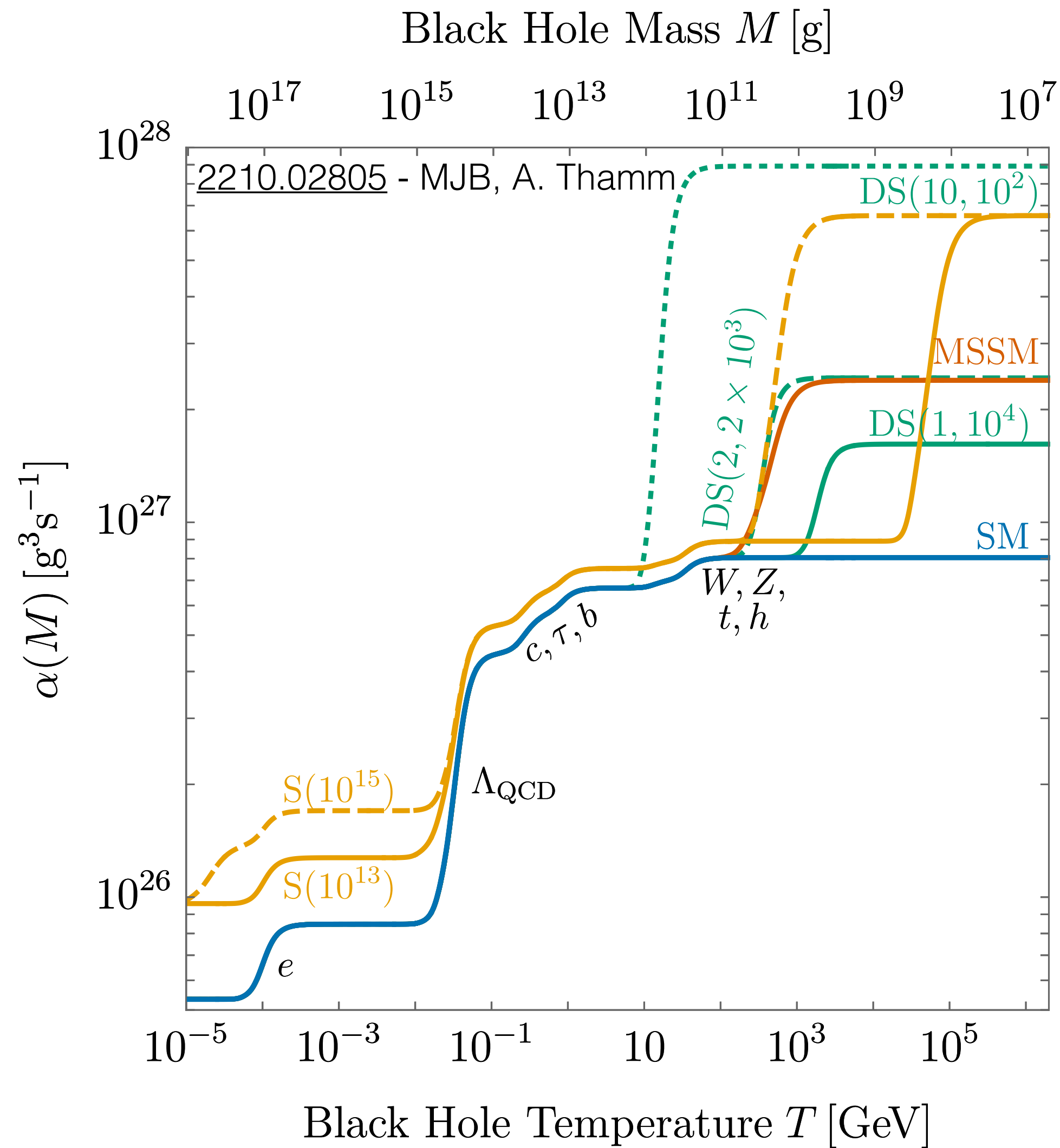


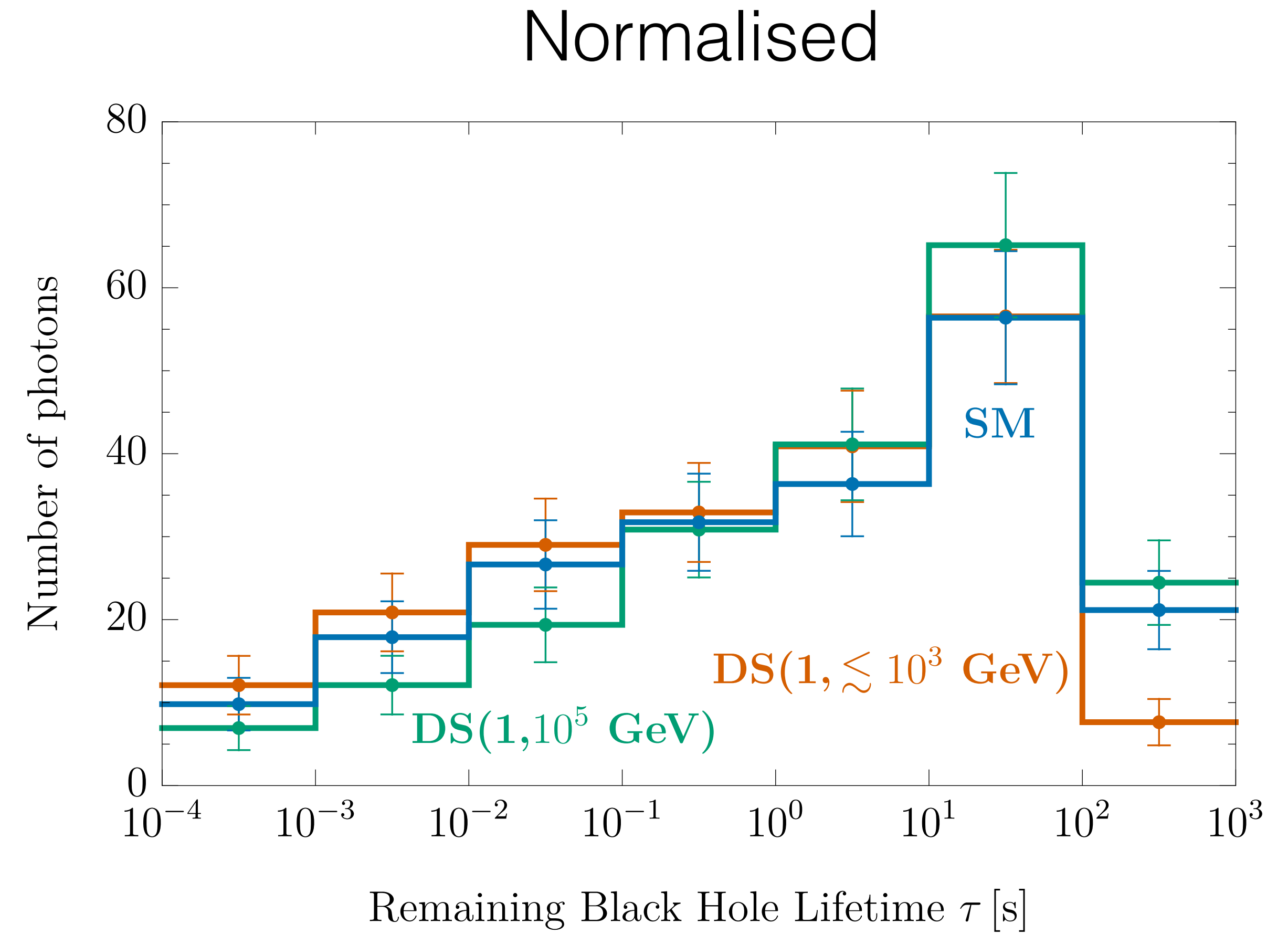
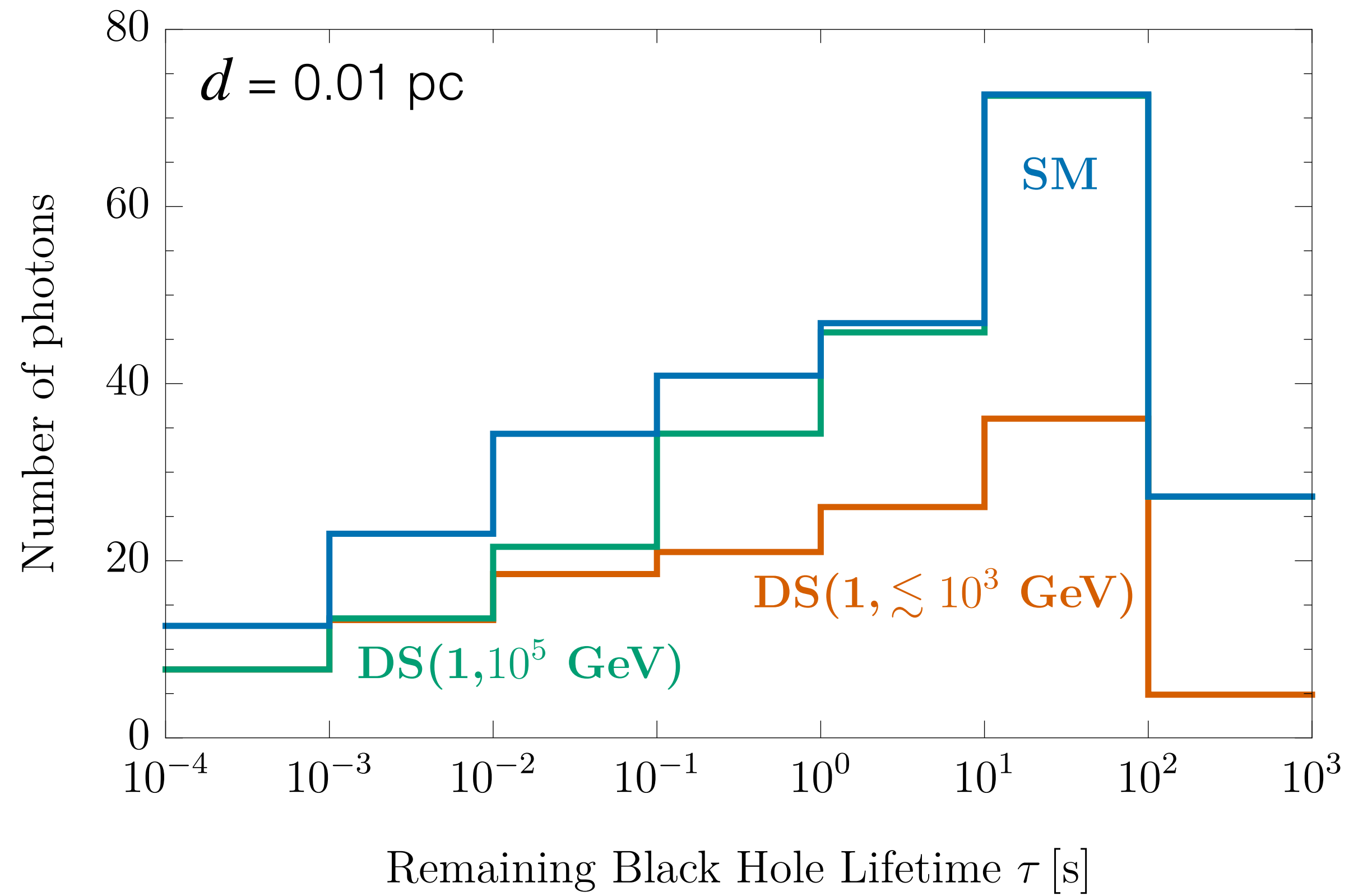


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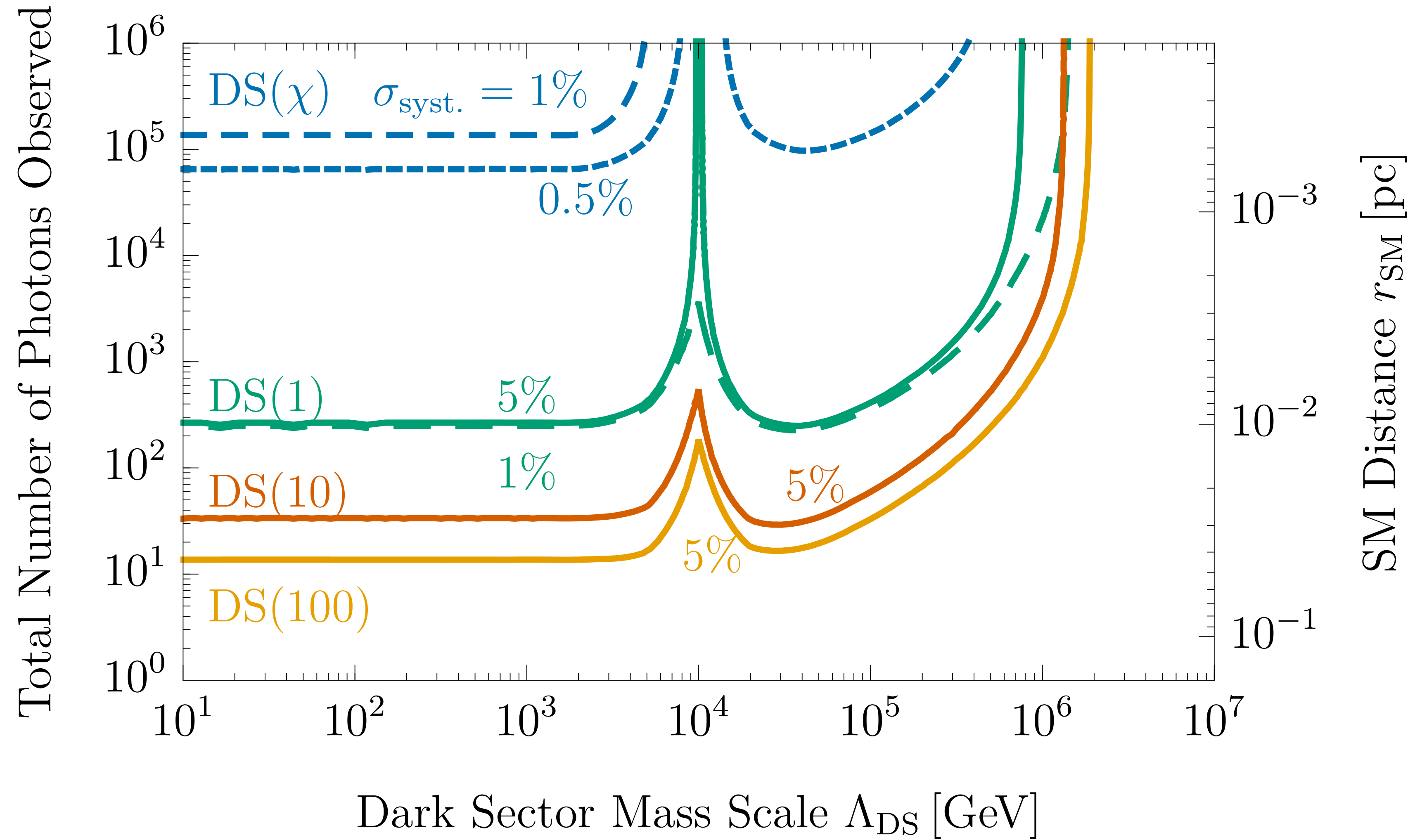
# Primary Particles and Mass Evolution Beyond the Standard Model







# Dark Sector Exclusion Plot



# What is the probability of observation?

If there are  $\sim 3000 \text{ EBHs pc}^{-3} \text{ yr}^{-1}$ , then 83% (1.4%) chance of at least one event closer than 0.05 (0.01) pc giving  $\gtrsim 10$  (200) photons at HAWC in next 5 years

Distance Scale	Limit	Method	Caveats
Cosmological Scale	$< 10^{-6} \text{ pc}^{-3} \text{ yr}^{-1}$	(1)	Clustering (e.g., by 7 orders of mag.)  Production and propagation of antiprotons
Galactic Scale	$< 0.42 \text{ pc}^{-3} \text{ yr}^{-1}$	(2)	
Kiloparsec Scale	$< 0.0012 \text{ pc}^{-3} \text{ yr}^{-1}$	(3)	
Parsec Scale	$< 4.6 \times 10^5 \text{ pc}^{-3} \text{ yr}^{-1}$	(4)	
			Mass Distribution, QCD, BSM

**Table 1:** PBH Limits vary with distance scales: (1) from 100 MeV extragalactic  $\gamma$ -ray background assuming no clustering [1,6], (2) from 100 MeV anisotropy measurement [7], (3) from antiproton flux [8] and (4) from Very High Energy (VHE) searches [9].

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- Exploding Black Holes could potentially be observed in the near future
- They would give us unprecedented information on BSM physics, and give definitive information on the particle spectrum of nature
- More work to be done to see if it's reasonable to hope for an observation

Thank you!