

The Hard X-ray Detector (HXD) onboard Astro-E2



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OUTLINE

1. I introduce Astro-E2.
2. I will explain how to observe of Hard X-ray photons.
3. I will show the construction, the performance, and the current status of HXD.
4. I will discuss a science topic with HXD.

Hard X-ray Observation of Black hole

Astro-E2 and Hard X-ray Detector

Astro-E2:

Japanese 5th cosmic X-ray satellite.

Recovery mission of Astro-E.

It will be launched in February, 2005.

XRT : 1250cm² (by 5 units at 7 keV)

XIS : 0.4-12keV, Imaging & Spectroscopy

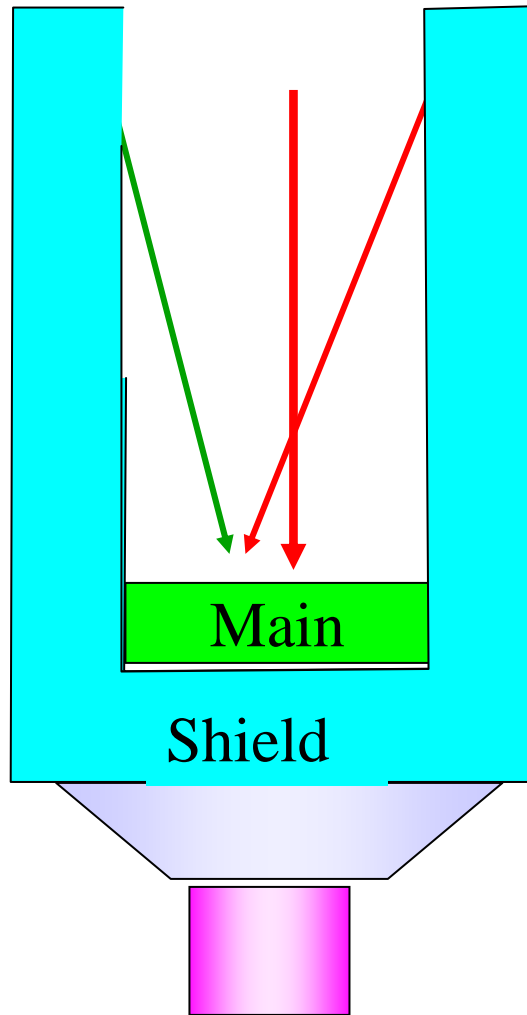
XRS : 0.4-10keV, Spectroscopy, dE~10eV

HXD : 10-600 keV, Spectroscopy

We have started rebuilding HXD.



Observation technique of Hard X-ray



→ Hard X-ray photon
(above 10 keV)

→ Charged particle

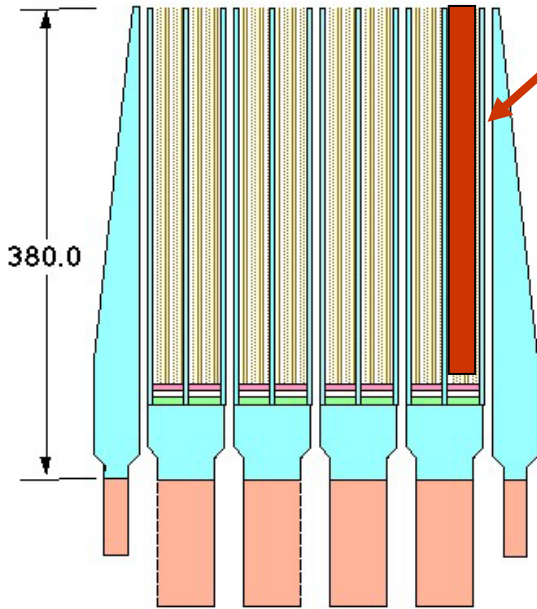
- 1.Scintillator (high Z)
- 2.Active Shield by crystal
- 3.Phoswich technique
- 4.well-type phoswich

Construction of HXD

X-ray photons



PCuS collimator



Cross section of the HXD

Size : 55 x 40 x 65 cm³

Weight : ~200 kg

- Absorber(GSO)/shield(BGO)
+ low energy absorber(PIN diodes)

➔ **HXD covers from 10 to 600keV**

Incredibly wide !!

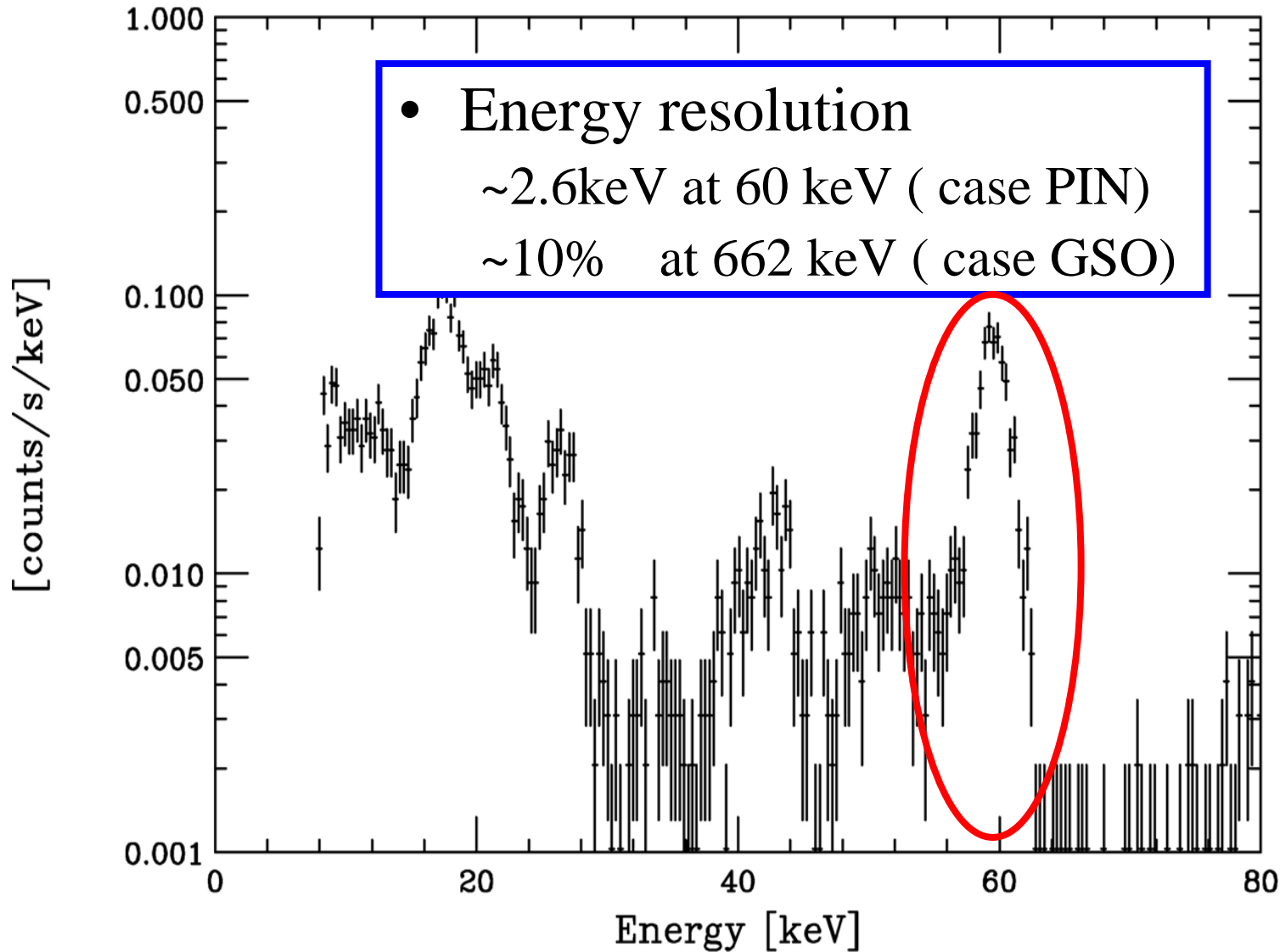
- Collimator (PCuS)

➔ **0.5deg (<100 keV), 4deg(>200 keV)**

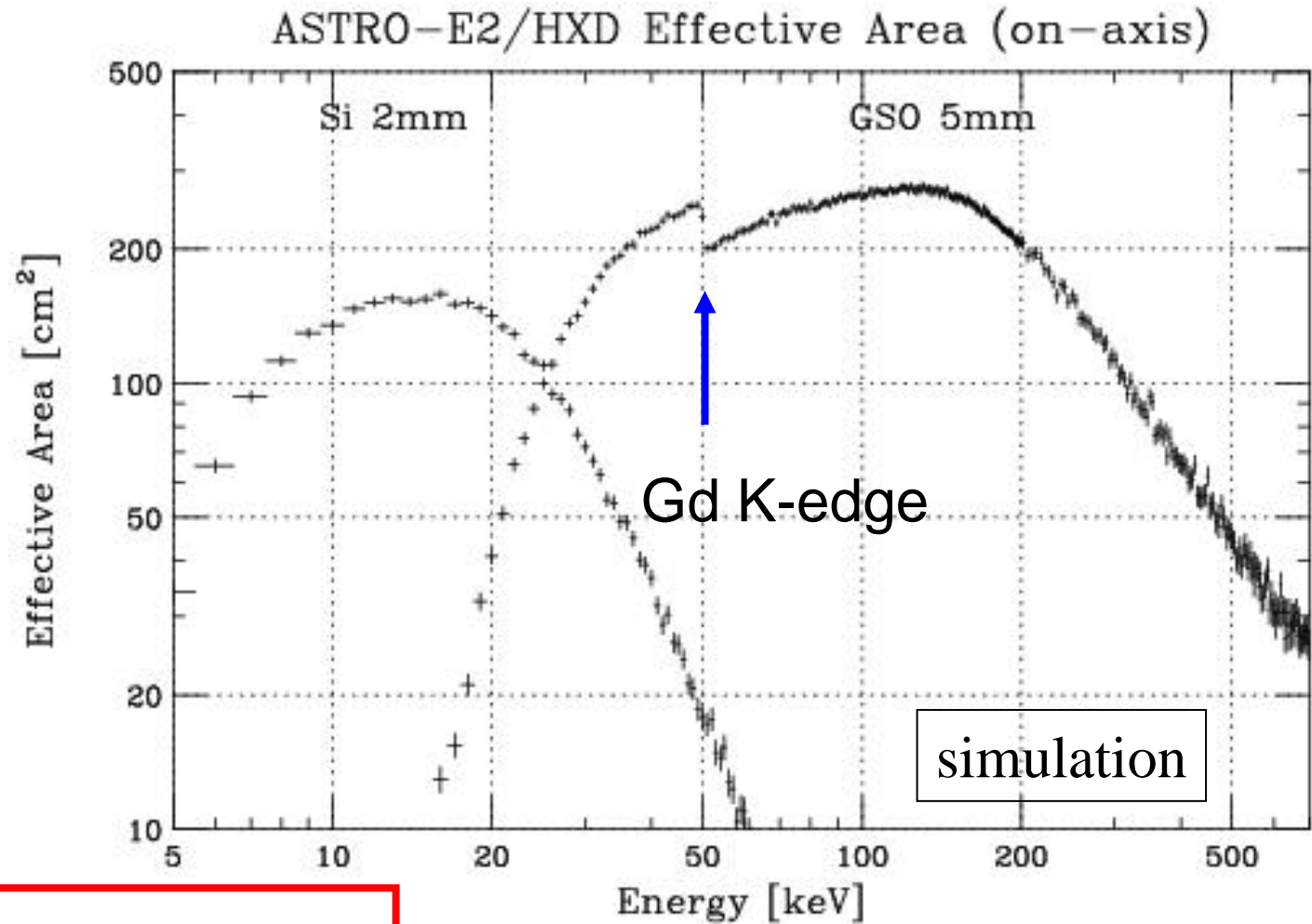
- Compound eye configuration (4x4)
- BGO shield counters

Performance of HXD

HXD-II Well Flight Unit (PIN) @ -20C



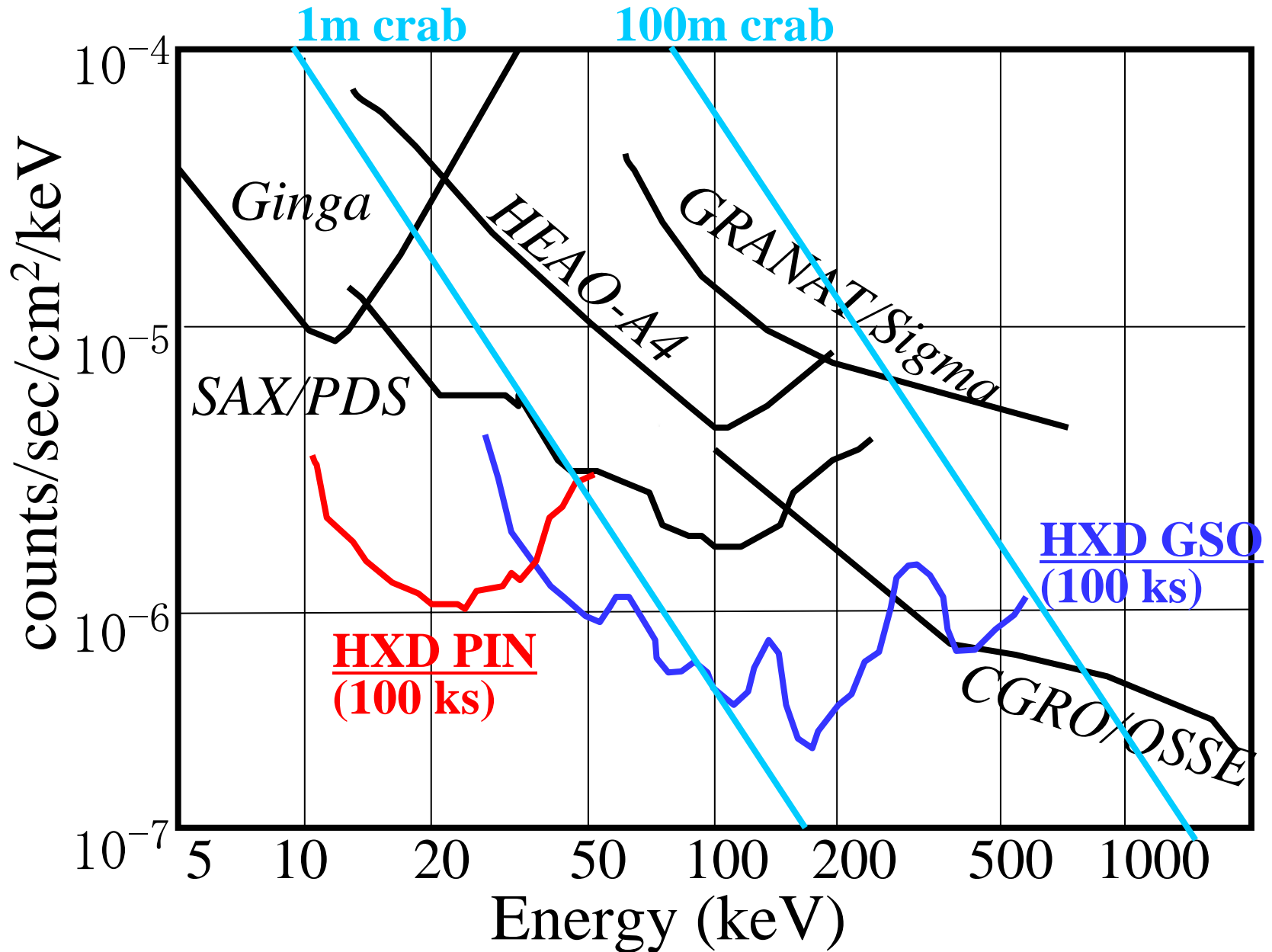
Performance of HXD



- Effective area
 - 160 cm² below 30 keV
 - 330 cm² above 40keV

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Continuum Sensitivity



Current Status of HXD



DIRECT
Hand
made!

**Final
fabrication is finished.**



**HXD
onboard Astro-E2**

**Astro-E2 1st integration test was
finished Nov 6, 2003.**

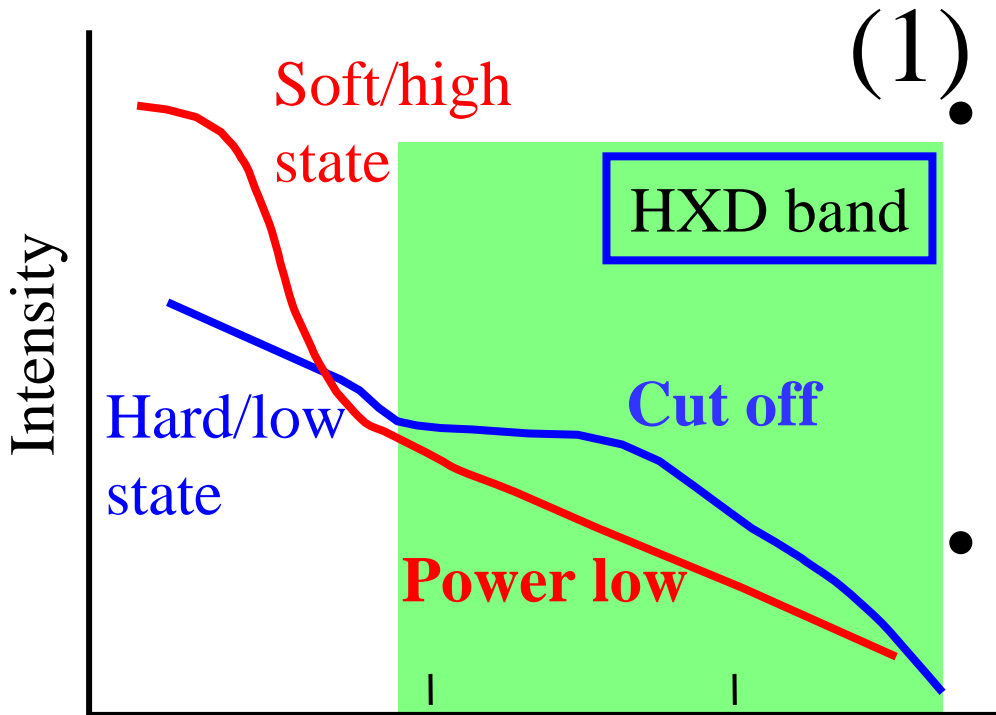
All functions are working well.



**Light electronics
function test finished.**

Science example:

Hard X-ray observation of Black Hole



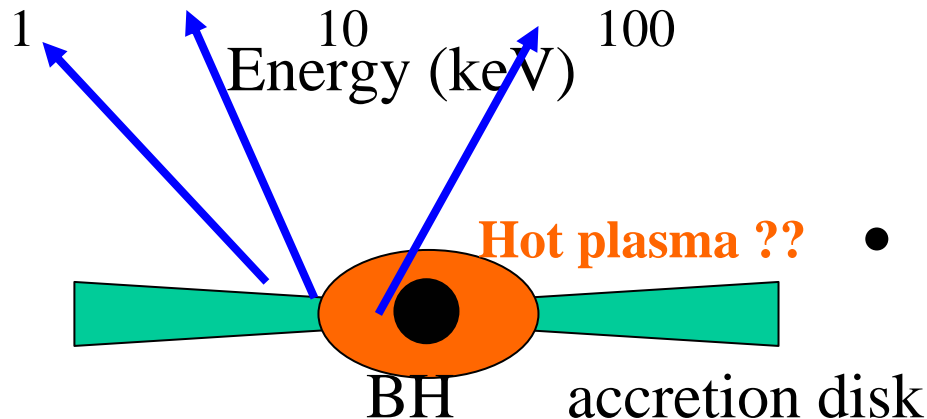
- Hard X-ray emission come from more inner region of accretion disk.

- Energy cut off at ~ 100 keV at the hard state.

- Electron energy?

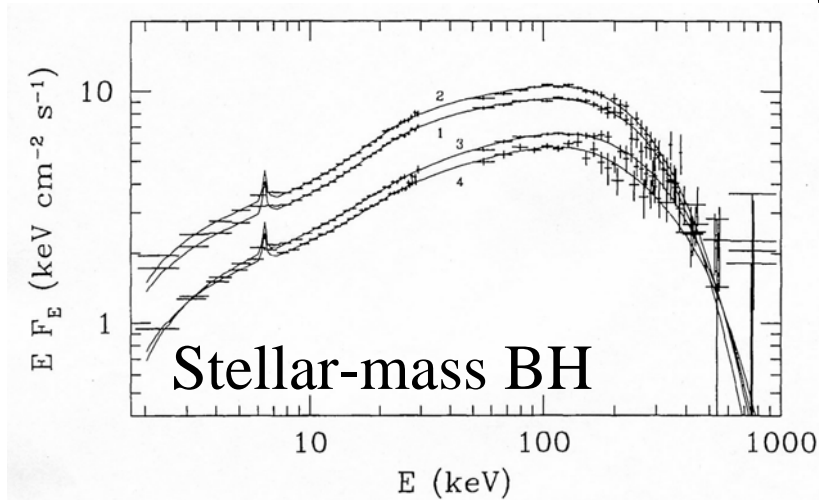
- Electron density?

- At the soft state ?

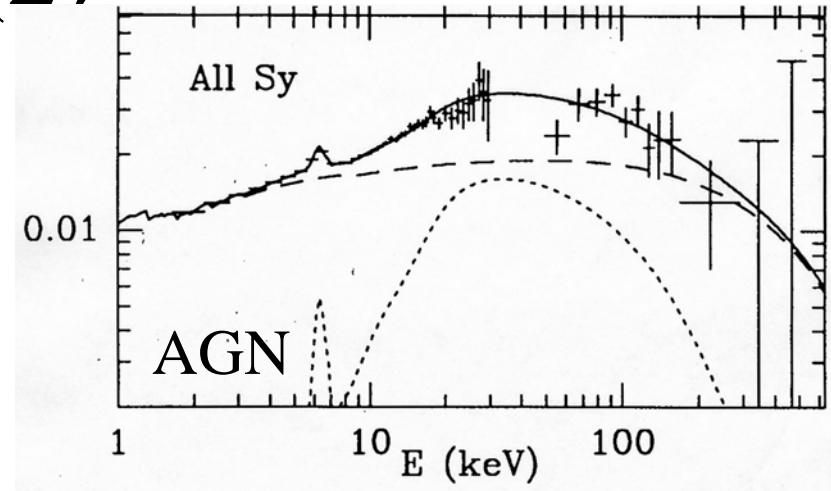


Hard X-ray observation of Black Hole

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Gierlinski et.al, MNRAS, 288, 958,(1997)



Zdziarski et.al, ApJ, 438, L63(1995)

- What is the origin of ~ 100 keV cut off ?
 - \rightarrow Thermal Compton?
 - \rightarrow Synchrotron X-ray from Jet?

High accuracy observation is needed!