

# 5 Year Monitoring of Variable X-ray Sources by MAXI

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- MAXI overview
- Cygnus superbubble: hypernova remnant?
- Soft X-ray transient of a new rare class
- MAXI/GSC 37 month catalog
- Be-Neutron star binary
- Black hole binary
- AGN

### MAXI (Monitor of All-sky X-ray Image) on ISS



- Operational since August 15 2009.
- Operation approved until March 2015.
- 6 working Gas slit cameras (out of 12)
- 2 CCD slit cameras
- Orbit period 92 min, inclination 51.6°, ops at lat.<40°  $\rightarrow$  Obs. efficiencey 40%



#### **MAXI** Instruments

6 x 2 GSC (Gas Slit Camera) : 2-20 keV, Time Resolution 50 ms Mihara+ 2011, Sugizaki+ 2011

2 x SSC (Solid-state Slit Camera) : 0.7-10 keV, Time Resolution 5.9 s Tsunemi+ 2010, Tomida+ 2011

PSF ~1.5 deg (FWHM)

Position Determination Accuracy  $\leq 0.2 \text{ deg}$ 



# MAXI scans the X-ray sky every 92 min ~85% (1 orbit) Sensitivity (GSC) ~100 mCrab ~95 % (1 day) ~ 30 mCrab Galactic 1day,RGB 12/09/17 15:27:53 GMT 1031843912-1031930880

### GSC all-sky map (4.1 years).



Red: 2-4 keV, Green: 4-10 keV, and Blue: 10-20 keV.

The X-ray binary pulsars appear in **blue**, supernova remnants in **red**. Yellows are low-mass X-ray binaries.

More than 500 sources are detected.

#### MAXI / GSC 37 months catalog



#### MAXI Public Data (http://maxi.riken.jp)



## SSC (CCD slit camera) Results

Cygnus Superbubble MAXI J0158-744: ignition of a nova

### SSC all-sky map

- Operated in the ISS night time to avoid light leak from the Sun.
- Observation duty cycle ~ 40 %
- Cygnus Superbubble is a possible hypernova remnant.



# Cygnus Superbubble





- Uniform temperature  $\approx$  0.2 keV
- Uniform  $N_{\rm H} \approx 0.3 \times 10^{22} \, {\rm cm}^{-2}$
- Associated with Cyg OB2, but with offset
- ➔ Single SNR
- thermal energy  $\approx 10^{52}$  erg
- explosion energy  $\approx 10^{54}$  erg — "Hypernova" (?) <sup>10</sup>

#### ATels and GCN Circulars



# Categories of Transients



# 14 new X-ray Transients discovered by MAXI in 5 years



1 White Dwarf, 6 Neutron Stars, 6 Black Hole Candidates, and 1 unknown

# A soft X-ray transient of a new rare class

MAXI J0158-744: ignition of a nova

### MAXI J0158-744: unique soft X-ray transient



- 2011-11-11 05:05:59 (UT)
- GRB 111111A
- Soft X-ray transient ( < 5 keV)
- Swift follow-up lead to identification to a star near SMC (Be star at 60 kpc) Morii et al. 2013

# MAXI J0158-744



Morii et al. 2013

- Duration ≈ hour
  - (1300 s <∆T< 1.1 x 10<sup>4</sup> s)
- Extremely luminous
  - $10^{40} \text{ erg}/\text{s}$
  - x100 solar mass Eddington luminosity
  - supersoft X-ray source at late phase
    - $\rightarrow$  white dwarf
    - classical/recurrent nova?
      - but x10<sup>4</sup> more luminous than known nova X-ray emission
        - (shocked ISM? Li et al. 2012)

# MAXI Jo158-744: interpretation

- Ignition of thermonuclear runaway on a white dwarf
- Transient dynamics allows super-Eddington emission



probably the WD is very massive (close to the Chandrasekhar limit)

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## Be X-ray binary



**Orbital Phase** 



http://science.nasa.gov/science-news/science-at-nasa/1998/ast25mar98\_1/

# Schematic view of a Be X-ray binary

#### Phase drift of Outbursts in Be X-ray binary A0535+26





NS orbit and the precessional Be-

disk? Precession P is about 8.7 yr.

Okazaki (2013)

Nakajima (2014)

- After DOB, EW of Hα line increased. (Moritani+2011)
  - $\rightarrow$  Gas was ejected from the Be star.

#### **Black Hole Binaries**

#### MAXI is finding new black hole binaries



# MAXI is finding Black Hole binaries



# MAXI Black Holes are faint

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# Transient Objects Observed by MAXI

- Non-degenerate stars
  - Sun, dMe, RSCVn, YSOs, Algol
- White Dwarfs
  - CVs, Super Soft Source
  - MAXI J0158-744
- Neutron Stars
  - LMXB (Burst, Superburst, Outburst), Pulsars, Supergiant Fast X-ray Transients
  - J0556-332, J1409-619, J1647-227, GRB 121225A/Swift J1741.5-6548,
     J1735-304 (Swift J1734-3027), J1621-613
- Black Holes
  - J1659-152, J1543-564, J1836-194, J1305-704, J1910-057 (Swift J1910.2-0546), J1828-249
- GRB, XRF
  - About 1 GRB or XRF/month (GRB 120528B, 120528C)
- AGN
  - Mrk 421, M82, Cyg A, NGC 4151, Cen A, ..., Swift J1644+57