## ON THE PROBLEM OF DETECTION OF ISOLATED BLACK HOLES

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**Abstract.** The interstellar plasma accreted by isolated black holes should be heated during the infall process and radiate in the magnetic fields connected with the infalling material. A portion of the radiation in the optical range is likely to have a luminosity of order  $10^{27}$ – $10^{30}$  erg s<sup>-1</sup>. In SAO U.S.S.R. AS an experiment is being carried out to observe isolated black holes as faint optical stars without spectral lines. So far the results of the experiment are negative.

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