

Anatomy of the AGN in NGC 5548

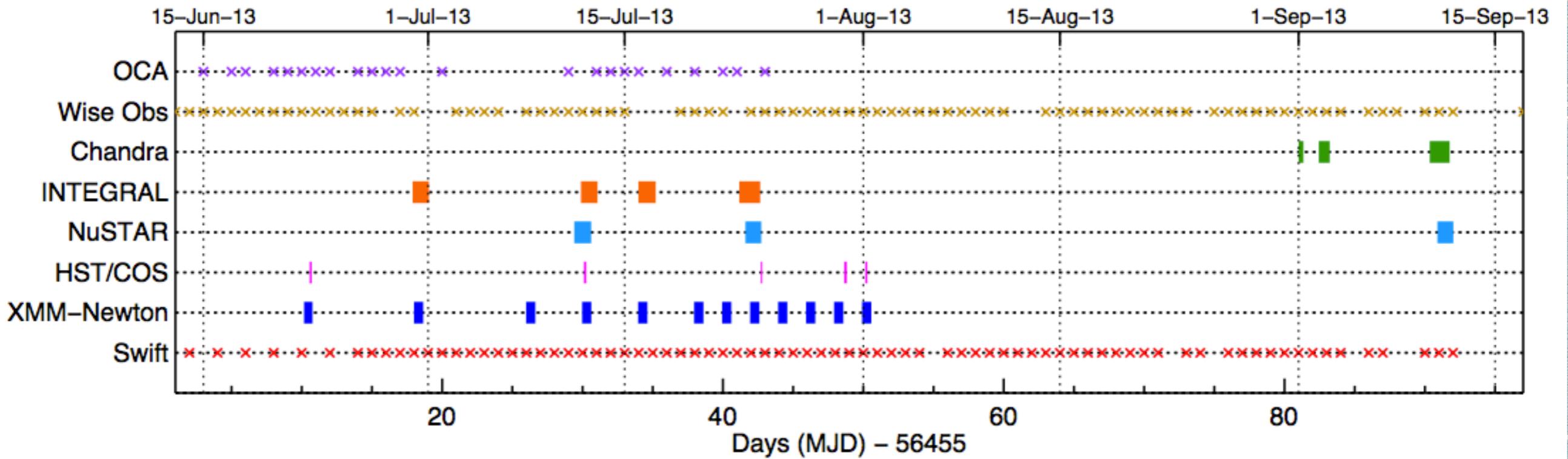
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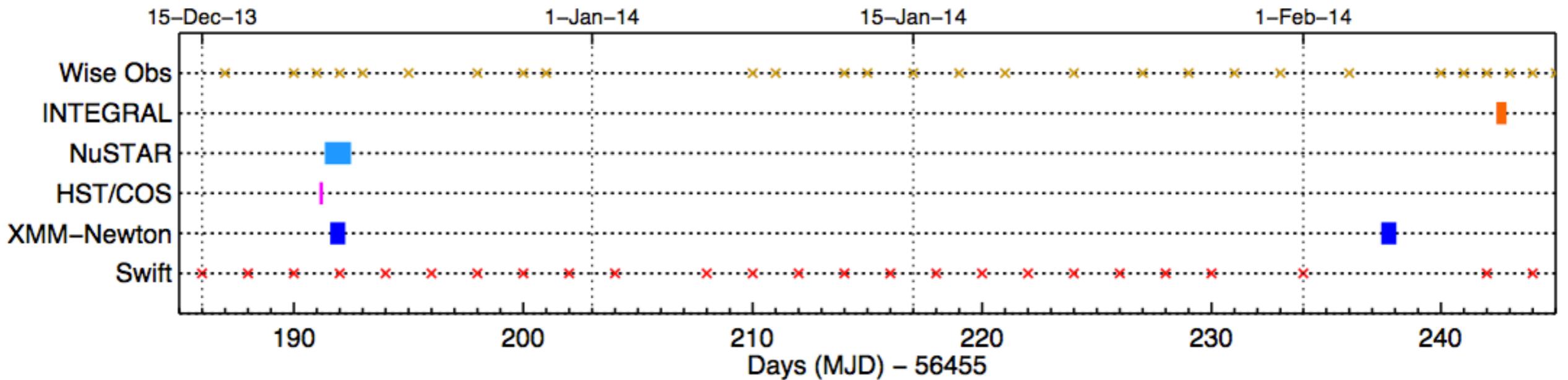
Kaastra et al., “A fast and long-lived outflow from the supermassive black hole in NGC 5548”, 2014, Science

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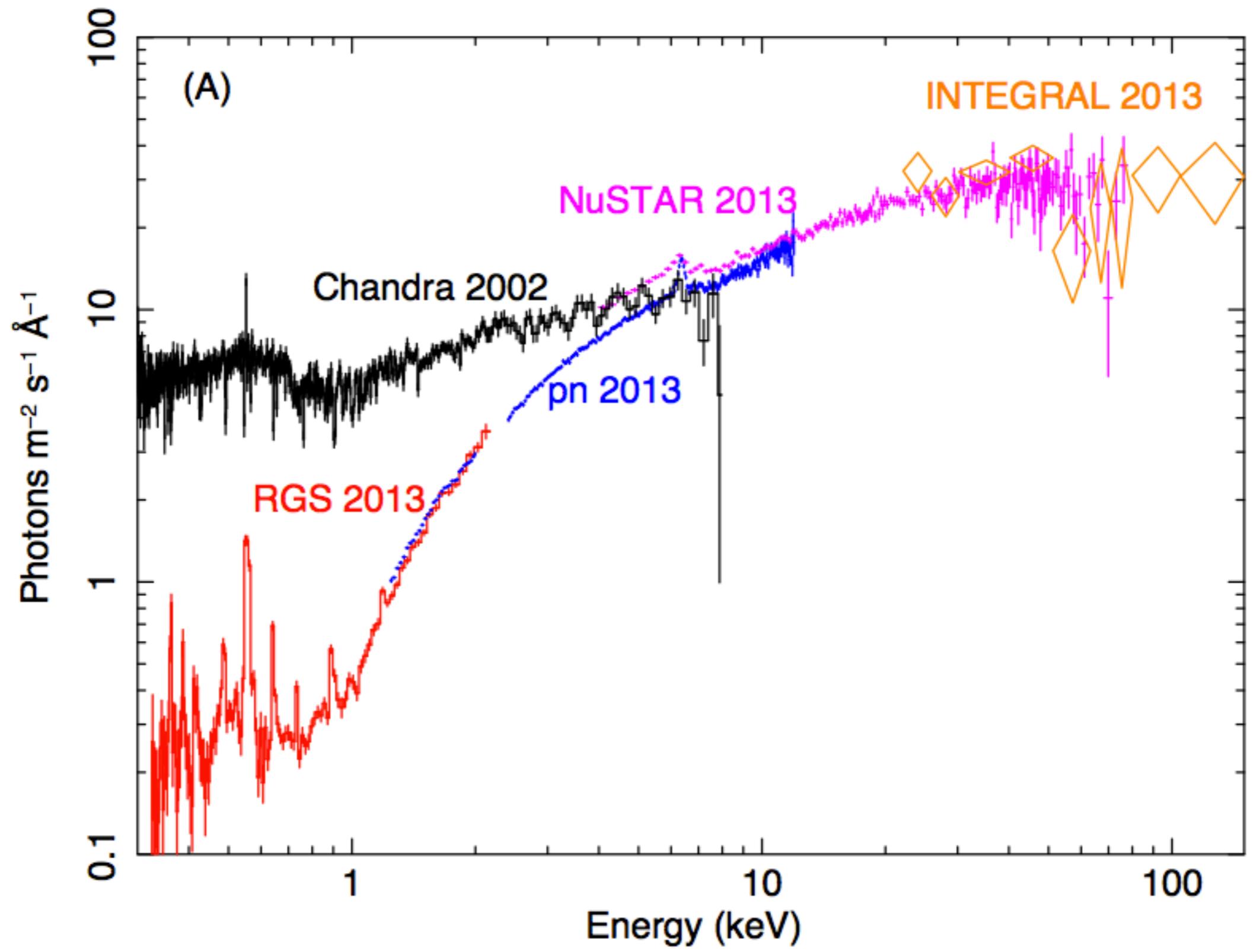
Summer/fall 2013 campaign on NGC 5548



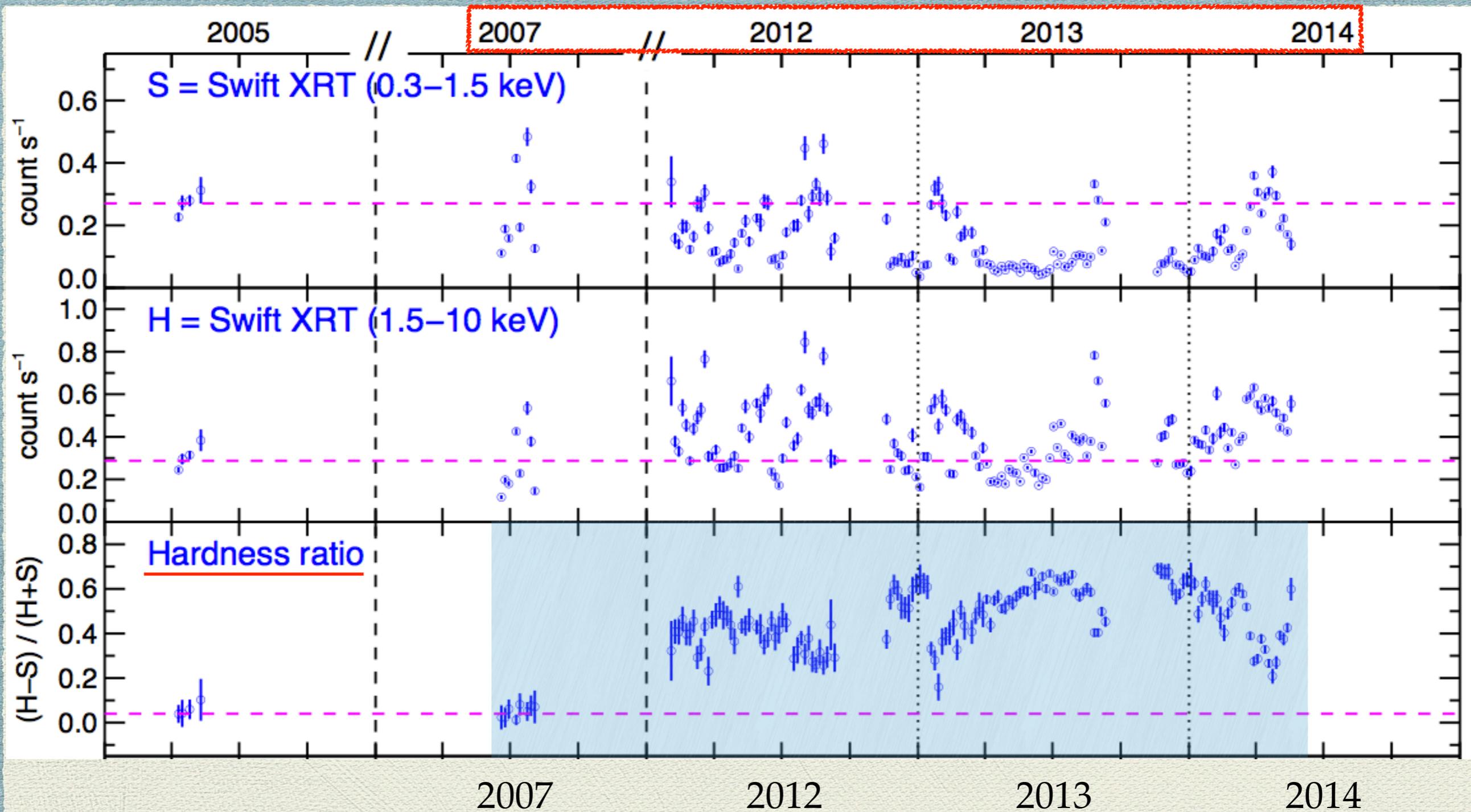
Winter 2013/2014 campaign on NGC 5548



Timeline of the multi-wavelength campaign on NGC 5548
main goal: study of the warm absorber...

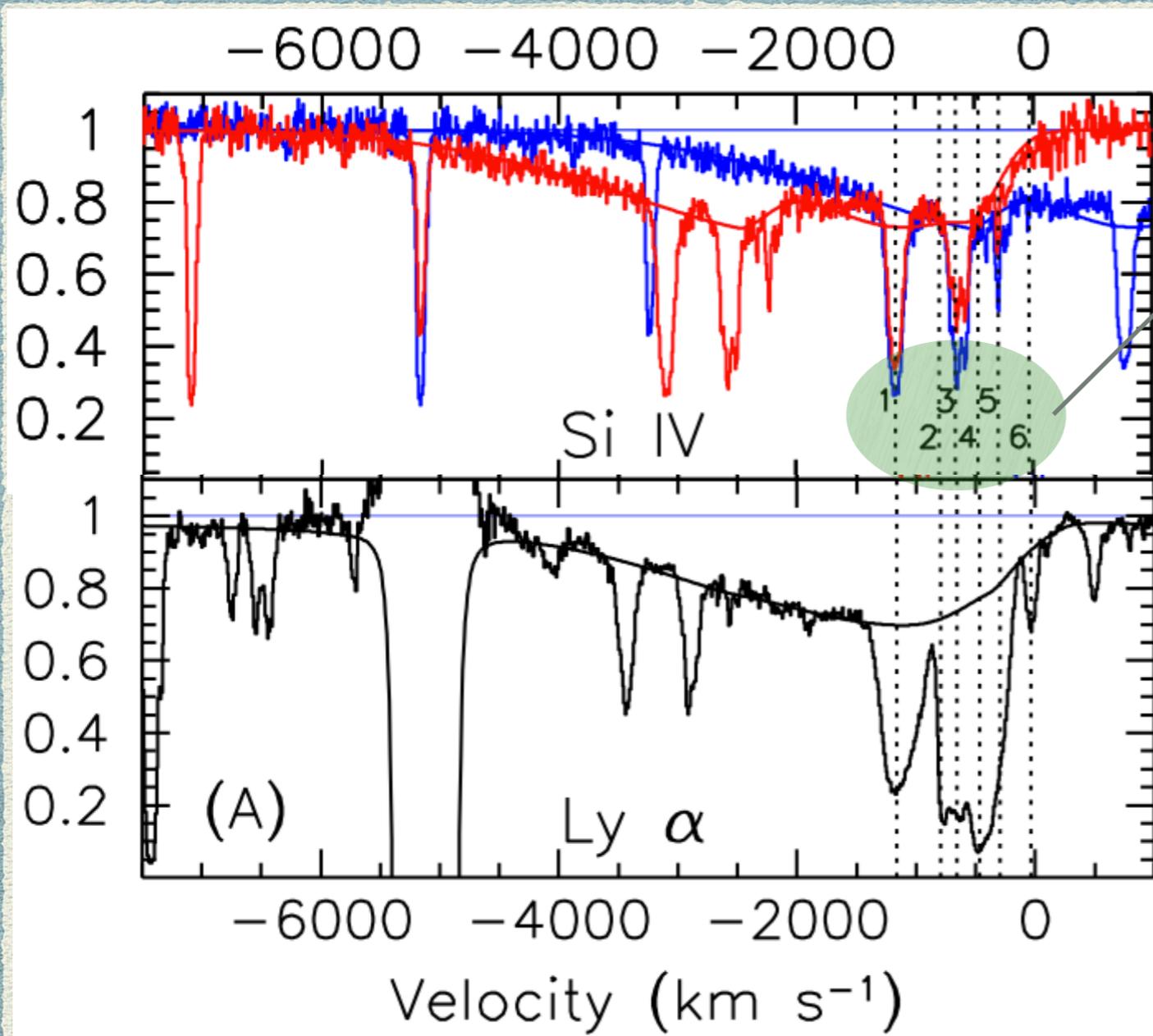


Obscured UV/X-ray spectrum during summer 2013



X-ray light curves 2005-2014

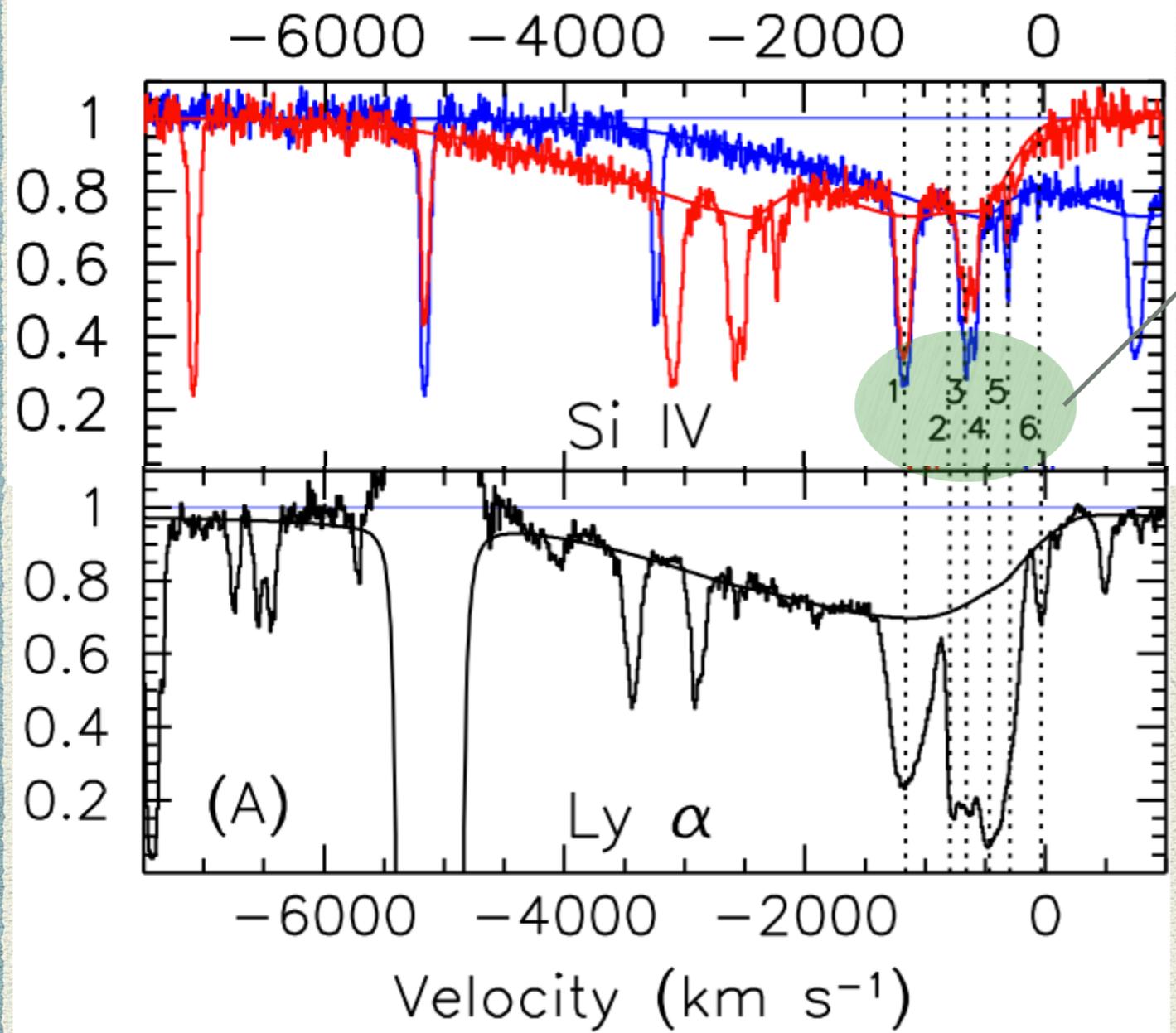
long-lasting obscuration



1-6: WA velocity components

+ broad absorption troughs

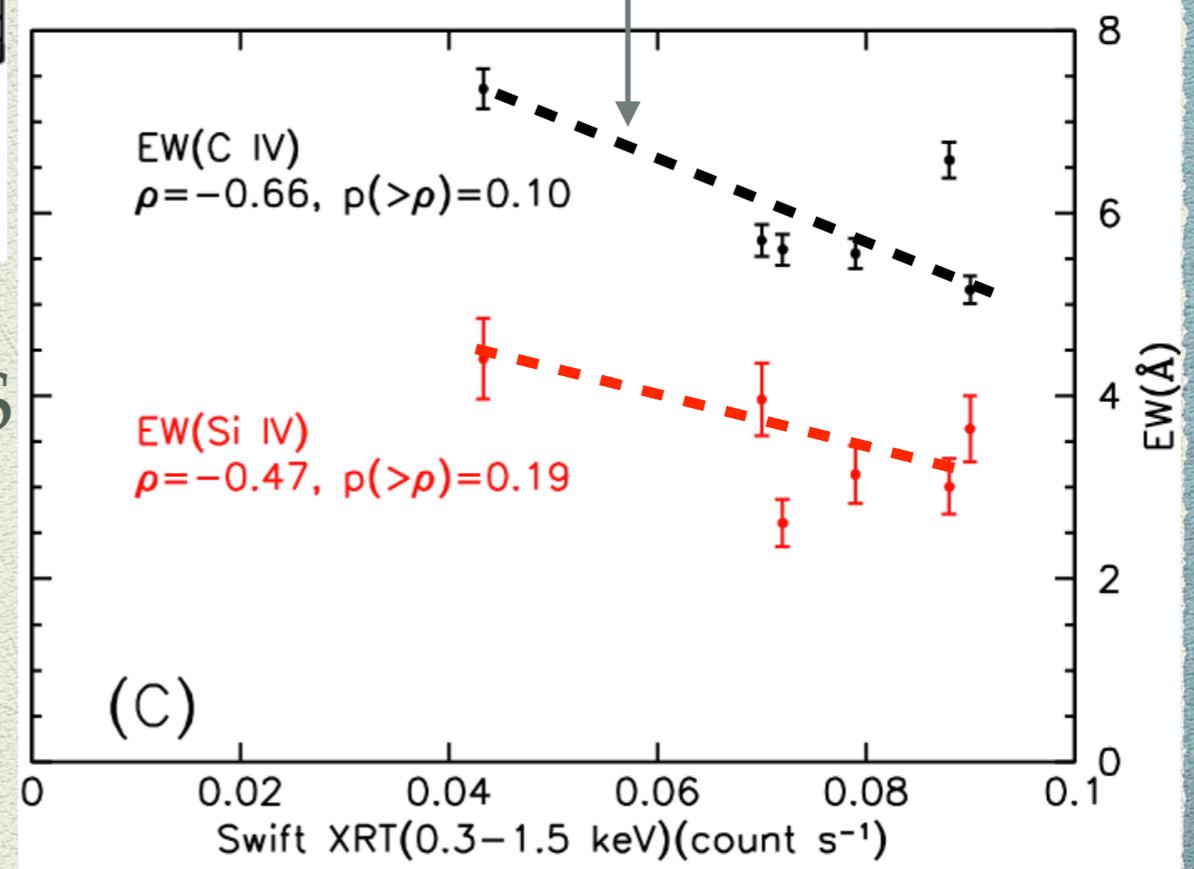
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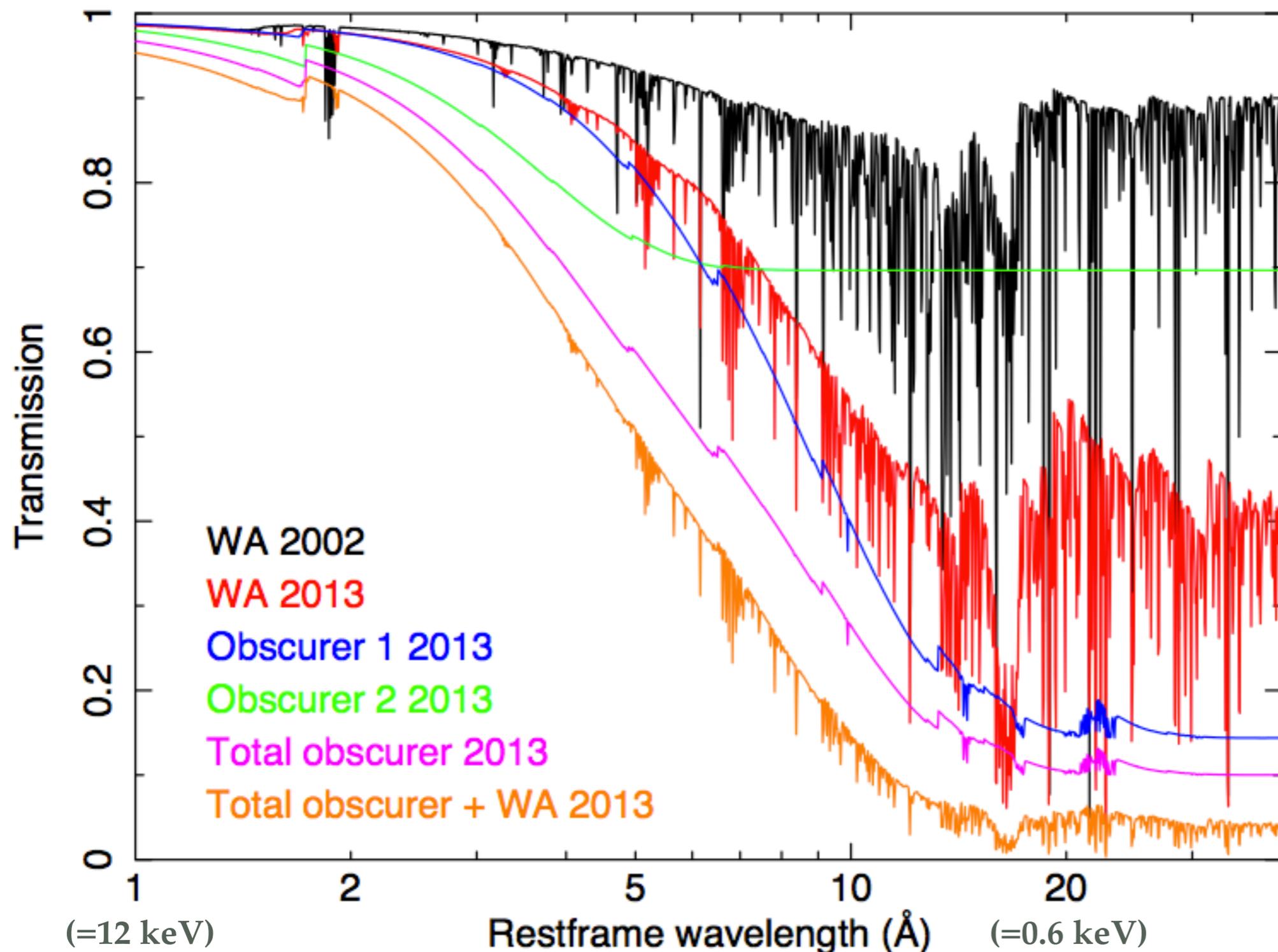
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+ broad absorption troughs
correlated with
X-ray obscuration

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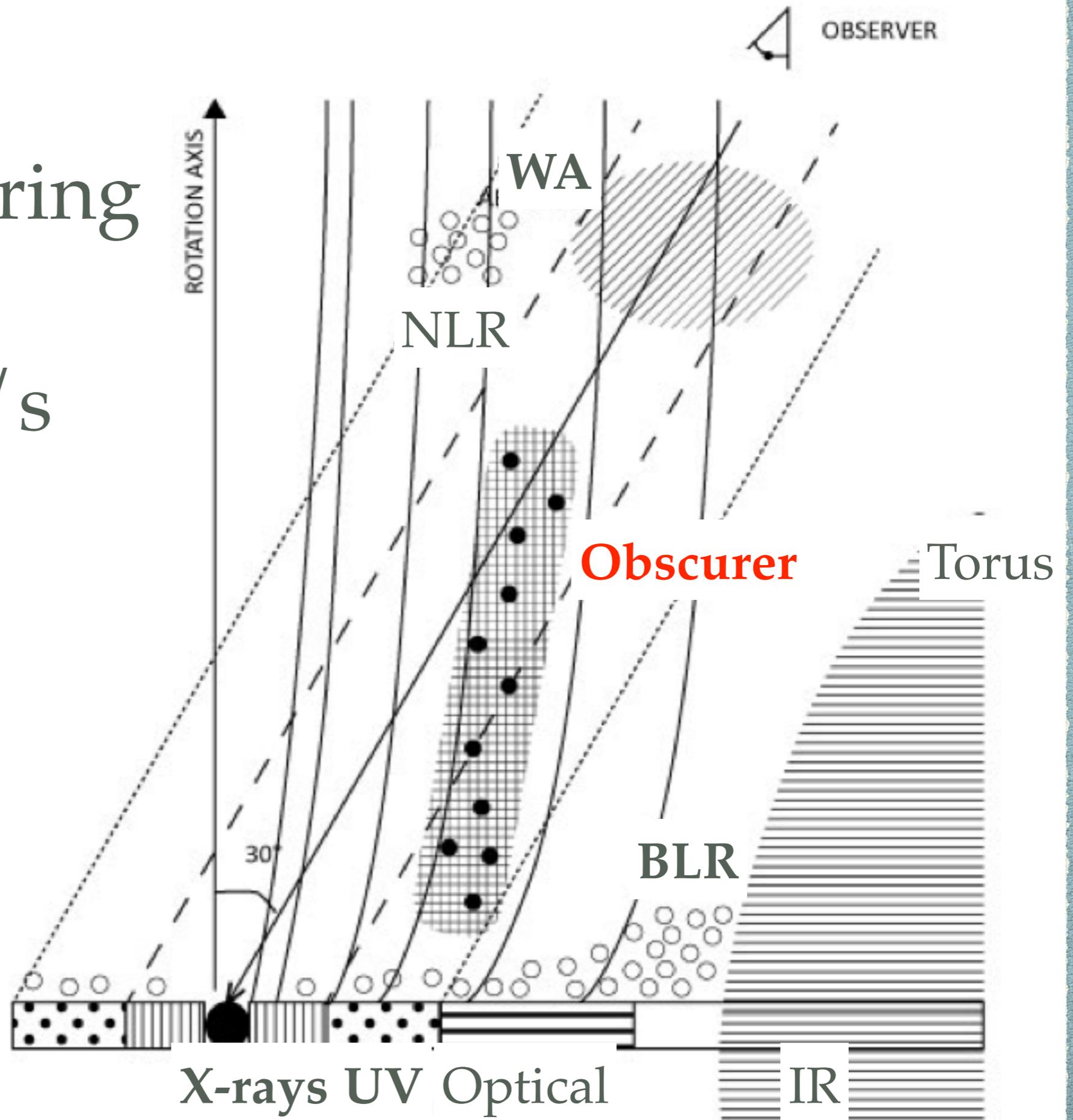
WA (less ionized) + 2 UV / X-ray obscurers



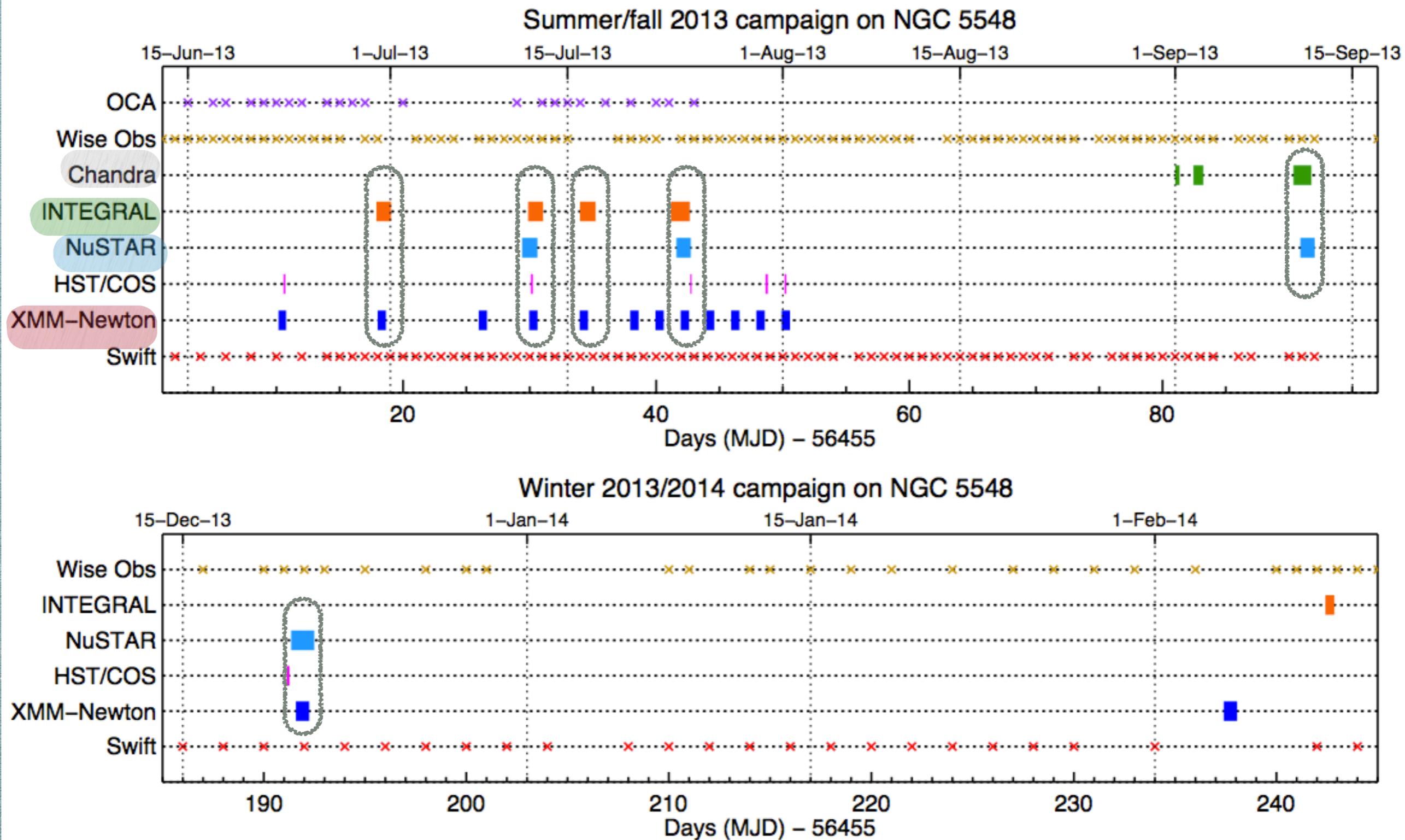
Obscurer 1:
 $nH \sim 10^{22} \text{ cm}^{-2}$
 $cF \sim 0.8$
 $\log(\xi) = -1.2$

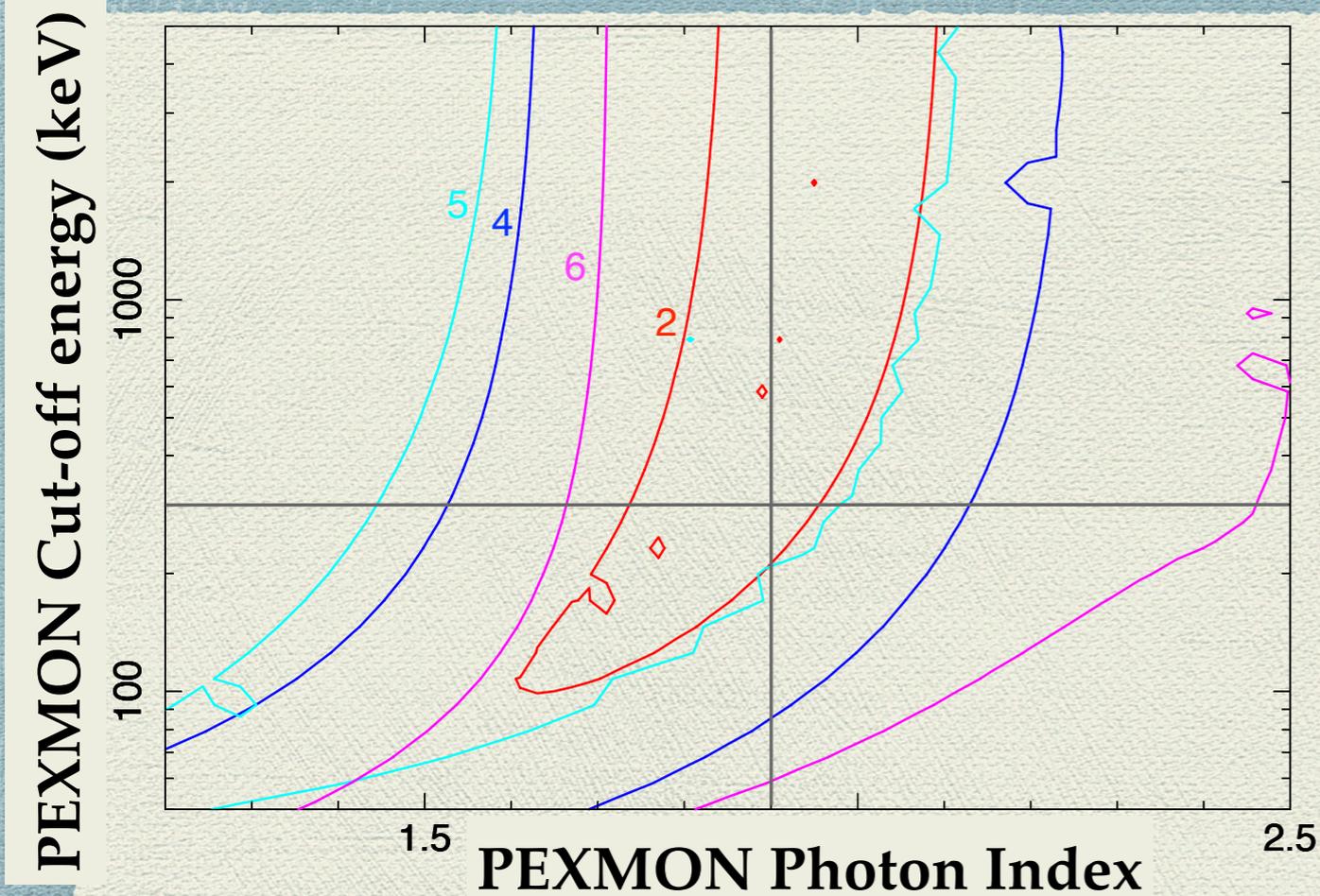
Obscurer 2:
 $nH \sim 10^{23} \text{ cm}^{-2}$
 $cF \sim 0.3$
 $\log(\xi) < -4$

- partial covering
 - velocity
~ -1000 km/s
 - variability
over ~ days
- ↓
- Possibly a
disk wind**

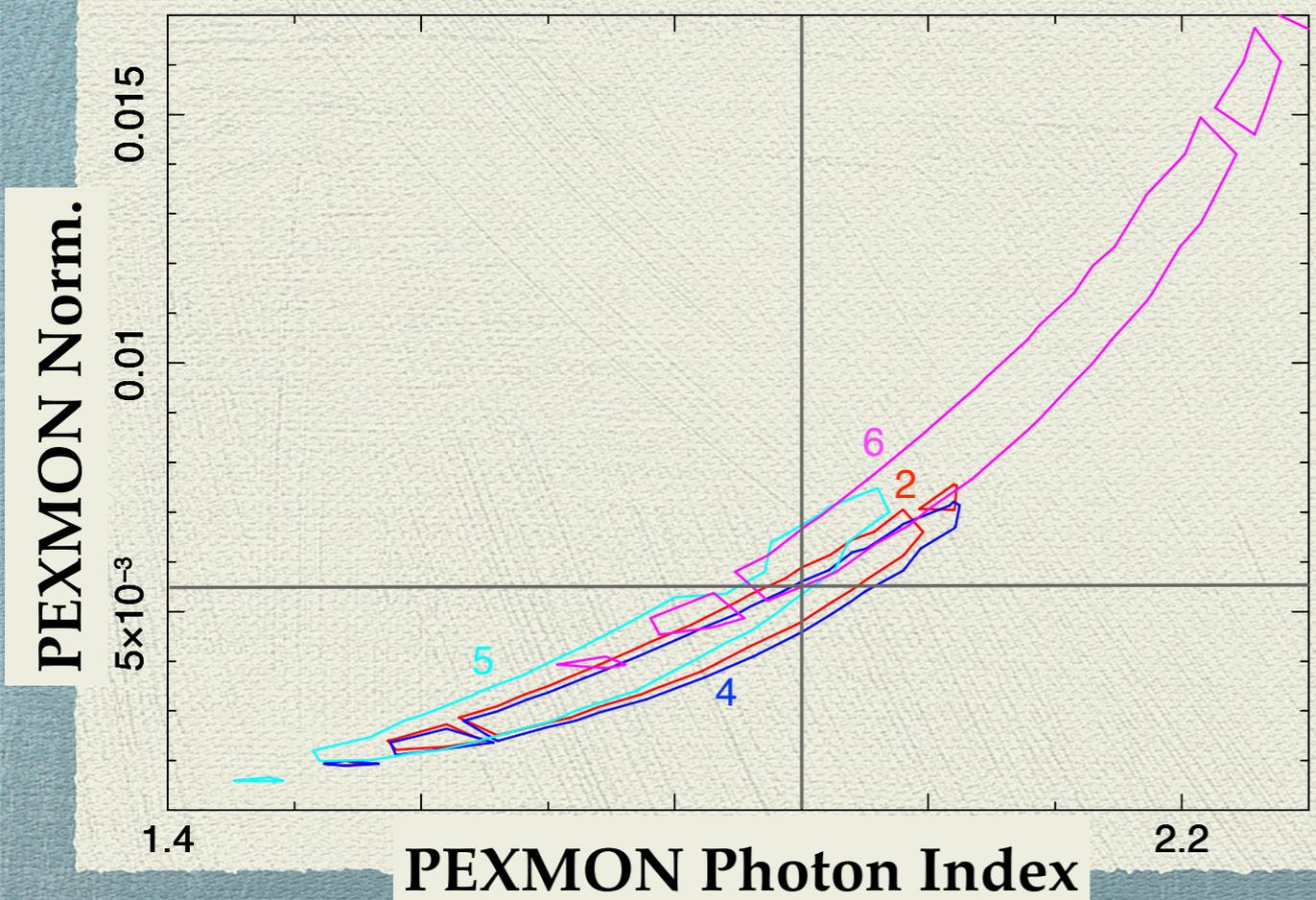


High-energy view





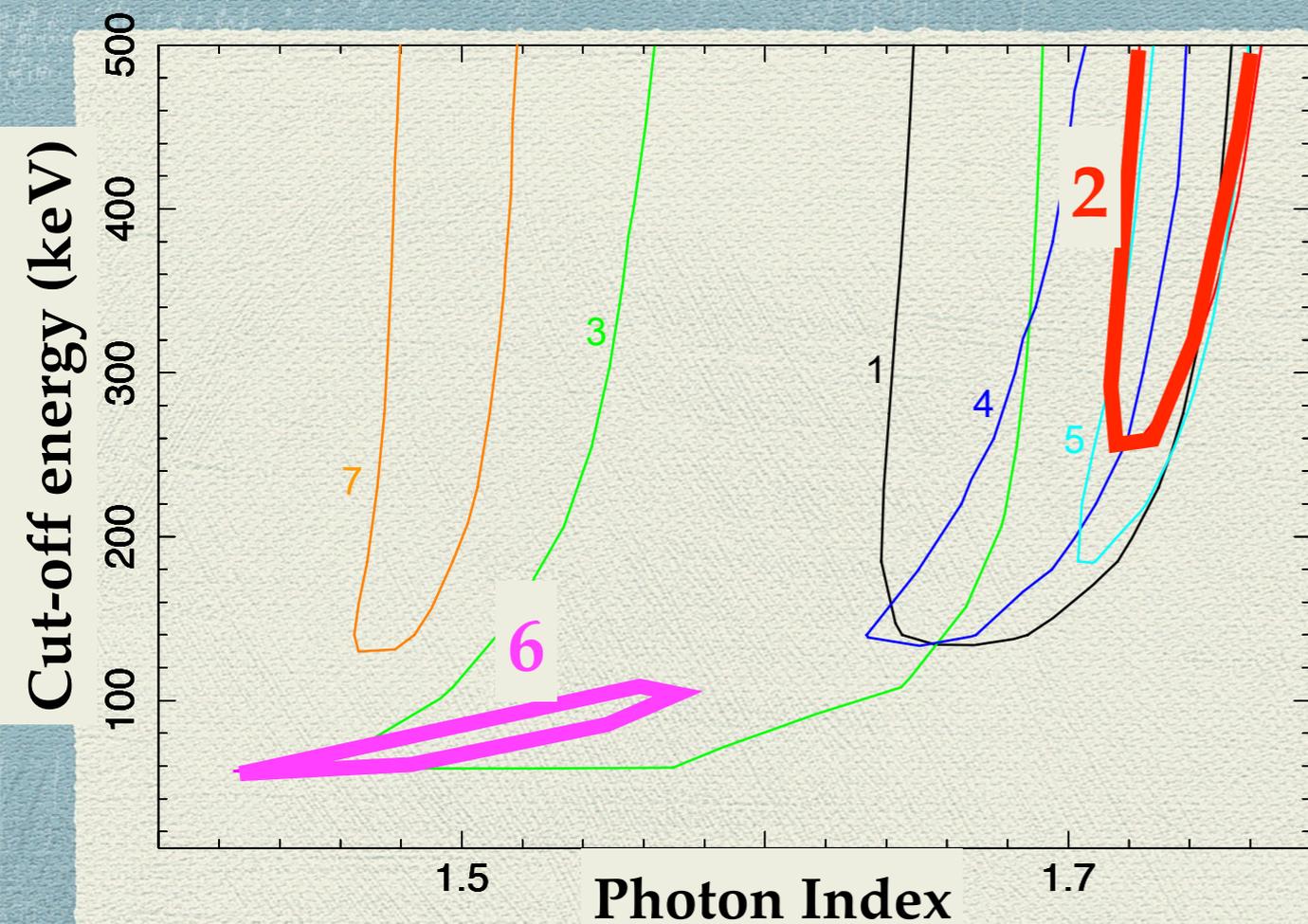
(i) Reflection component:
 consistent with
 being constant
 \Rightarrow distant material
 ($>$ light months)



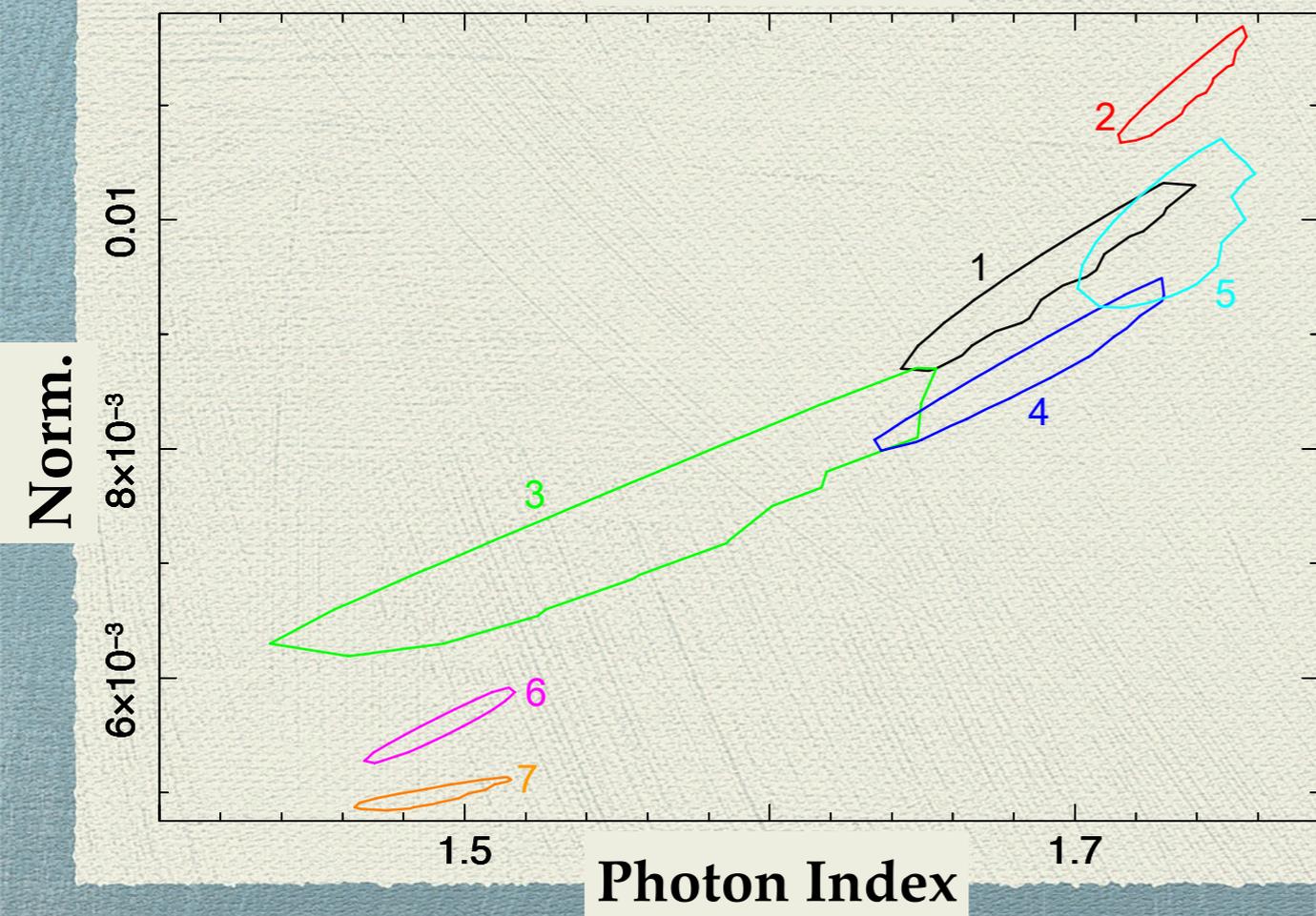
$$\Gamma(\text{pexmon})=1.9,$$

$$E_c(\text{pexmon})=300 \text{ keV},$$

$$\text{Norm}(\text{pexmon})=5.5 \times 10^{-3}$$



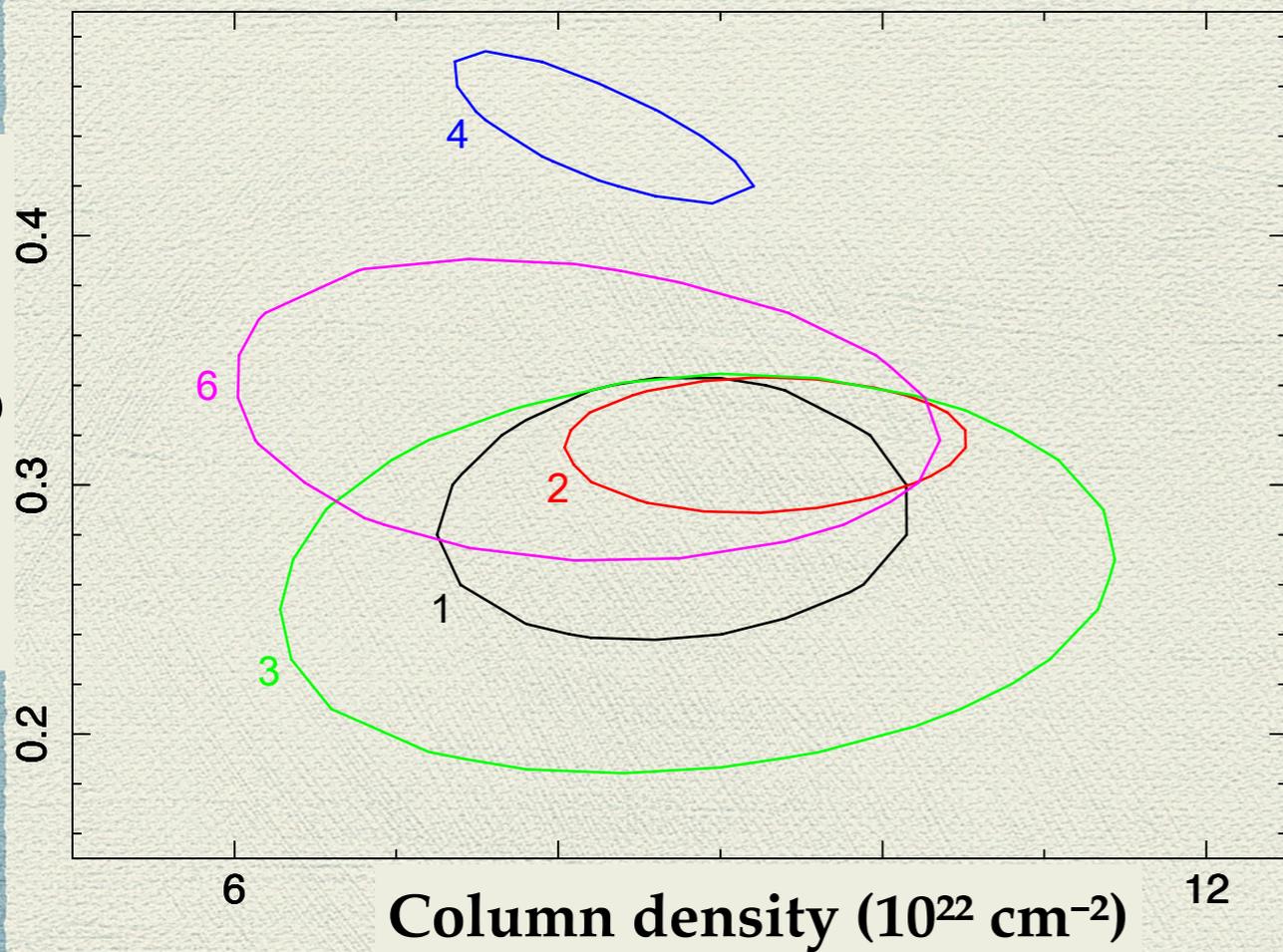
(ii) Primary continuum: variability of Γ and cut-off energy



In one observation (#6), we find the measure

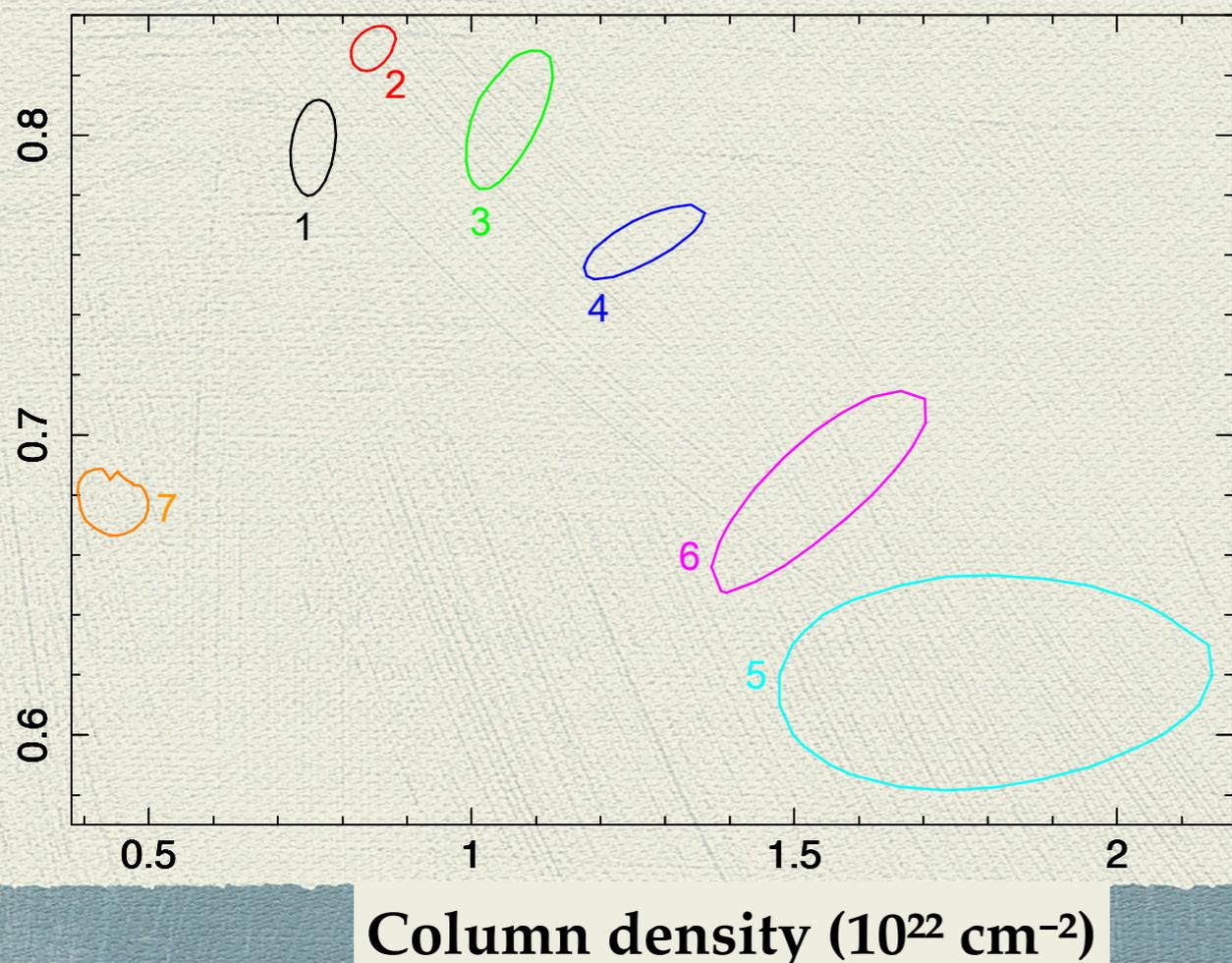
$$E_c = 70^{+40}_{-10} \text{ keV}$$

Covering fraction



(iii) Absorption
variability

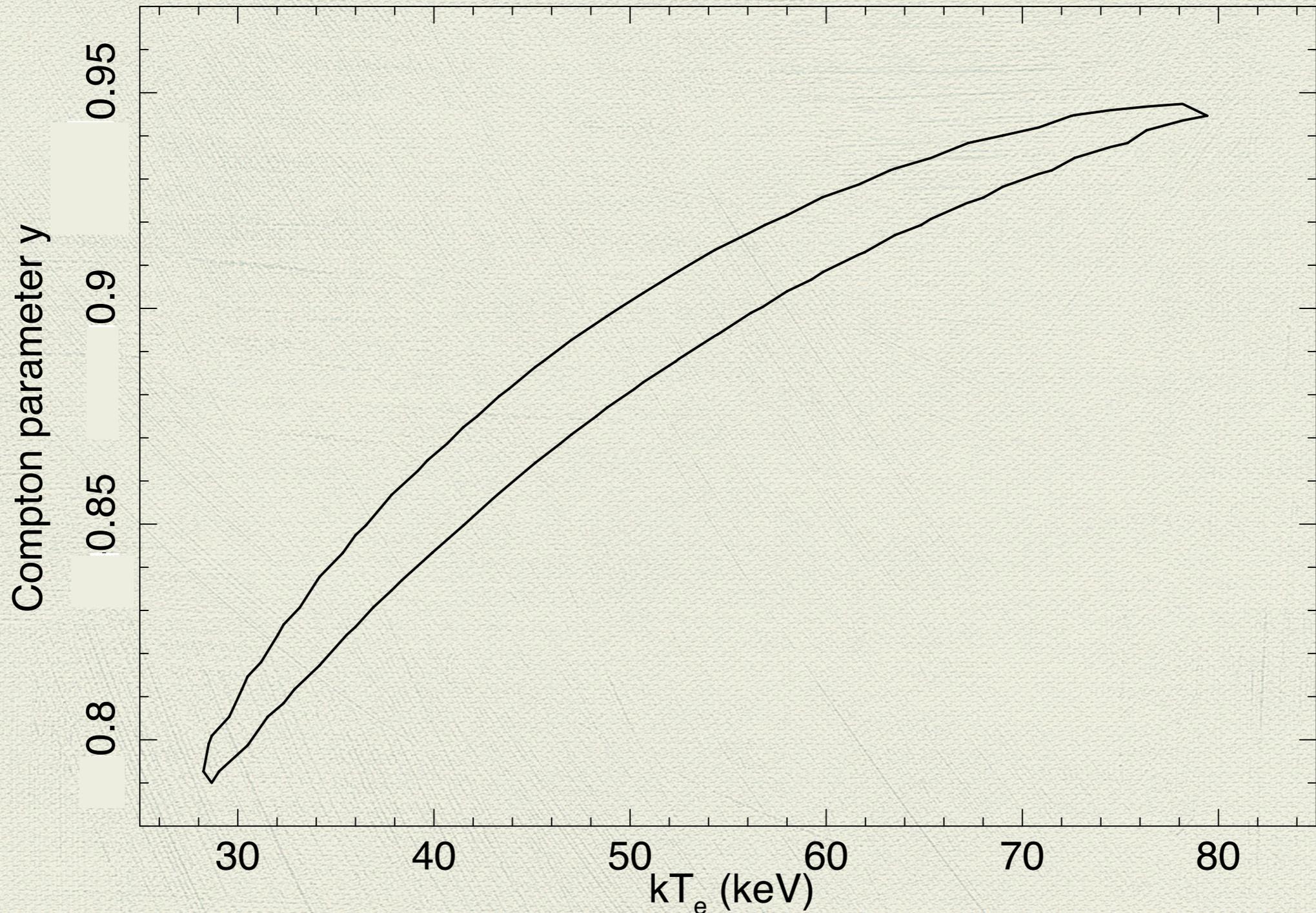
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(iv) Test of Comptonization model (compps) on average X-ray spectrum:

$$kT = 40^{+40}_{-10} \text{ keV}$$

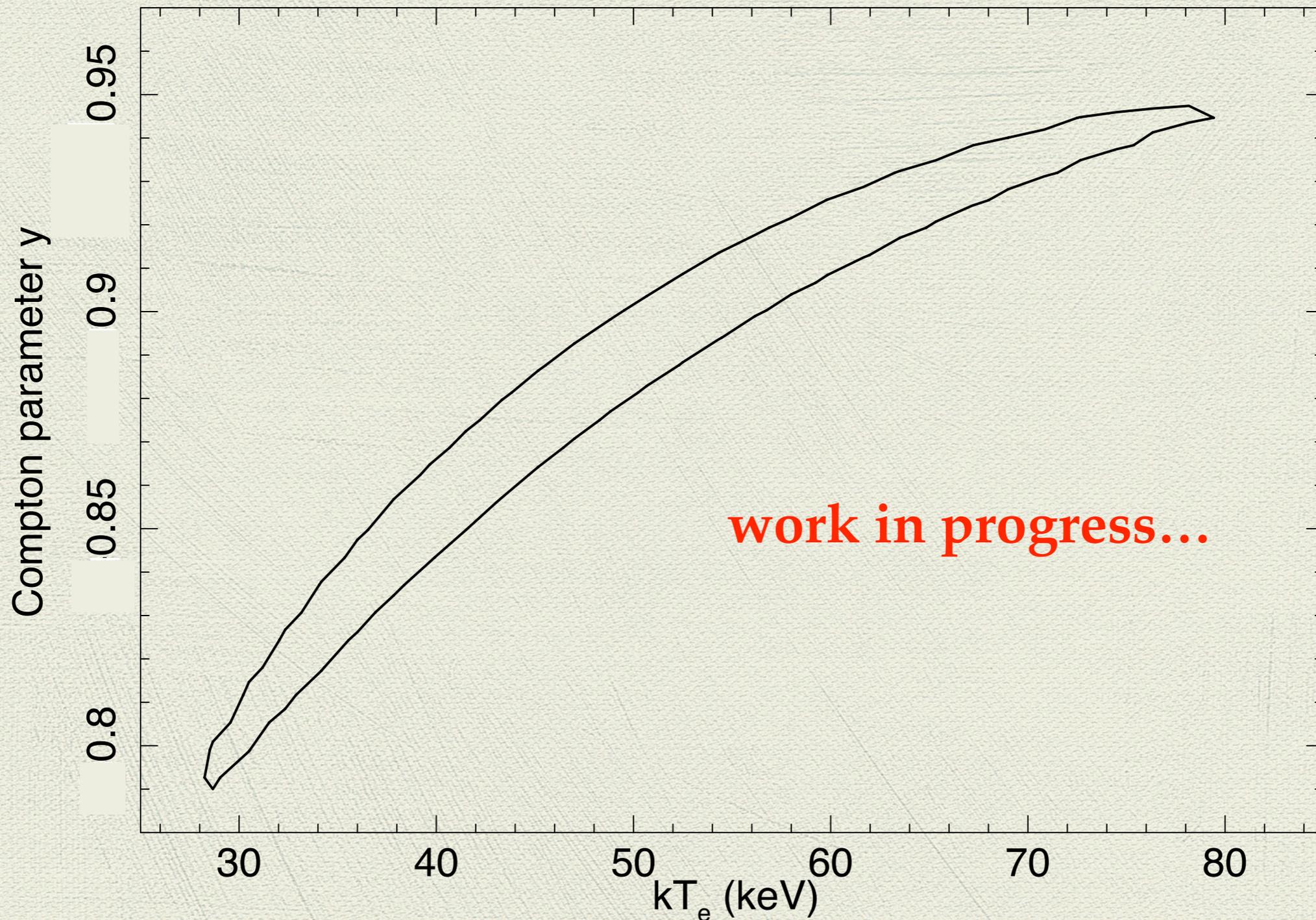
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See Kaastra et al. (2014); some papers in preparation:

- ◆ Mehdipour et al.: global model for the broadband SED
- ◆ Mehdipour et al.: long-term variability
- ◆ Ursini et al.: the high-energy view with XMM, NuSTAR and INTEGRAL
- ◆ Cappi et al.: EPIC data analysis
- ◆ Di Gesu et al.: short-term variability
- ◆ Ursini et al.: test of Comptonization models

A nice movie by the Lead Level Artist of Assassin's Creed™:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=67S-F95igvU>