

# X-ray observations of accretion disc winds in LMXBs

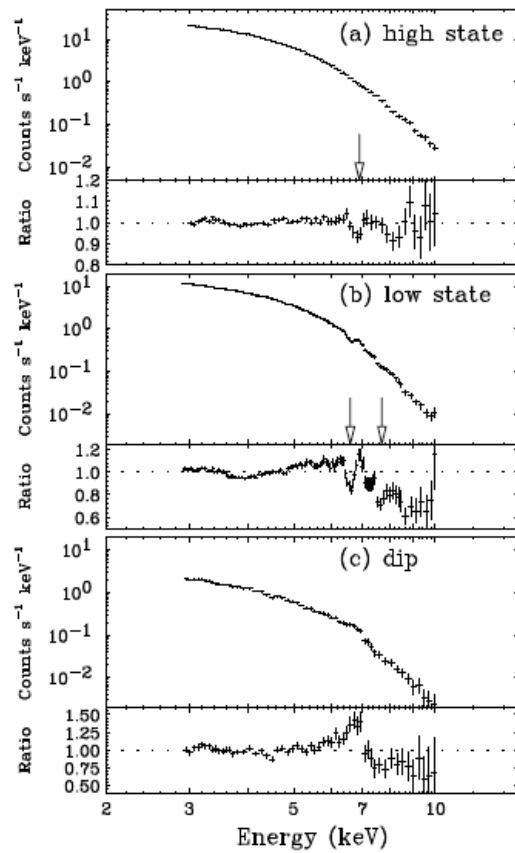


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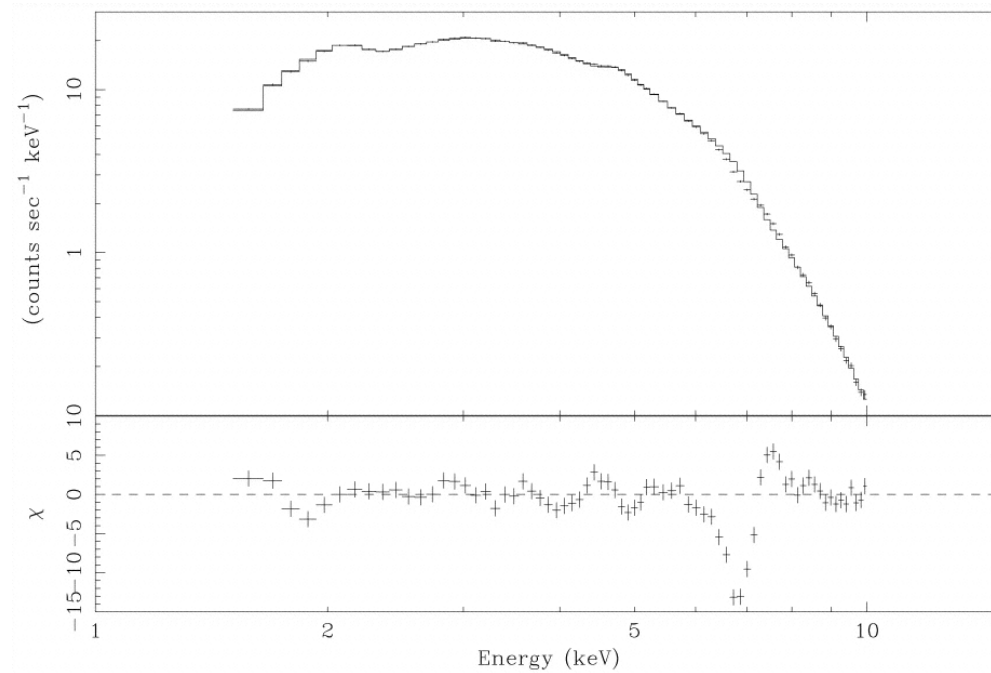
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# A bit of history



GRO J1655-40, Ueda et al. 1998



GRS 1915+105, Kotani et al. 2000

Until 2015:

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Díaz Trigo & Boirin 2016

2016-2017:

V 404 Cyg (King et al. 2015)  
 GX 340+0 (Miller et al. 2016)

# Observables

- Line width
- Line shift
- Line depth
- Line species
- Line shape (emission/absorption/P-Cygni)



- Velocity of the plasma (atmosphere/wind)
- Ionisation (stage/mechanism)
- Column density
- Density
- Temperature
  
- Launching radius
- Geometry

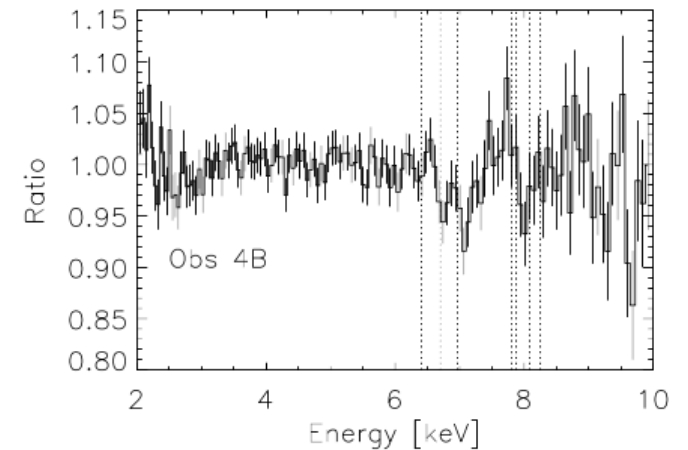
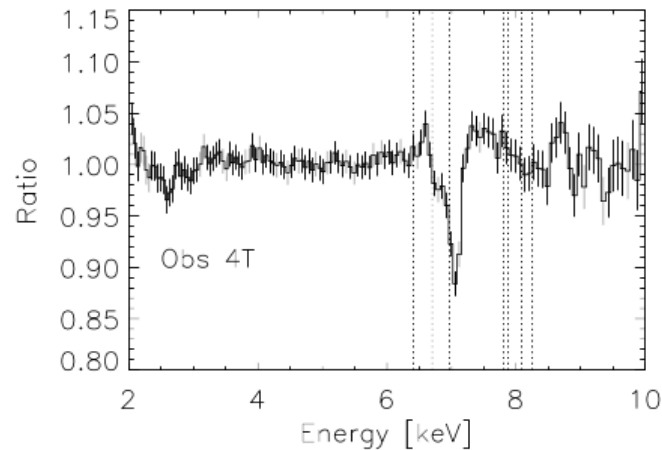
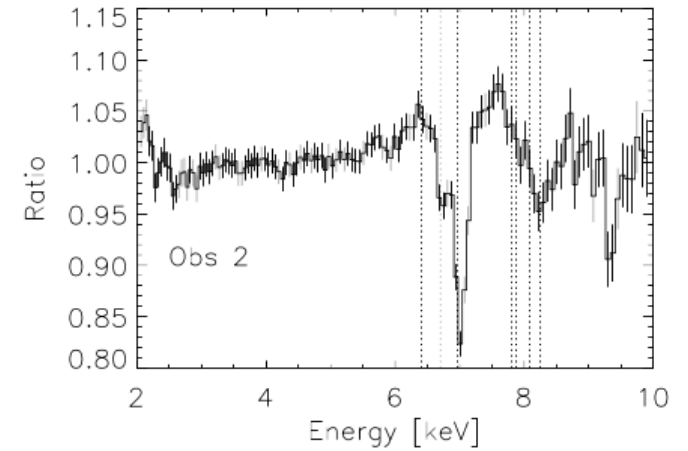
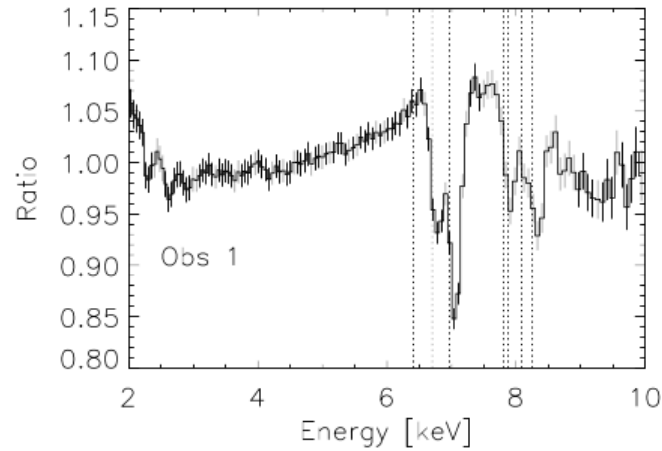
- Launching mechanism



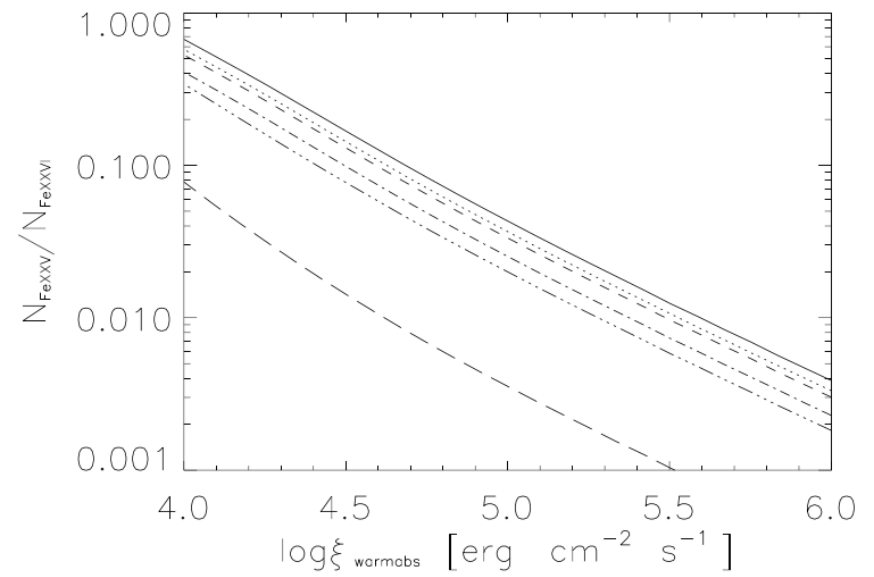
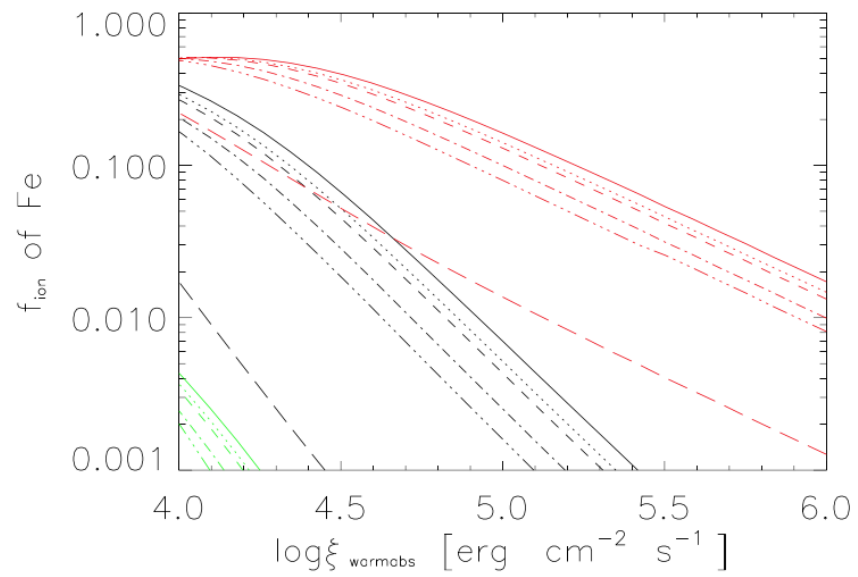
- Predictions about existence/observability in different accretion states
  
- Influence on other accretion components (e.g. jets) or on an accretion episode

# Observables

- Line identification/shift (more secure if several lines present)
- Ratio of  $K\beta$  to  $K\alpha$  lines (line saturation, column density)
- Ratio of Fe XXV to Fe XXVI and SED (ionisation of the plasma)



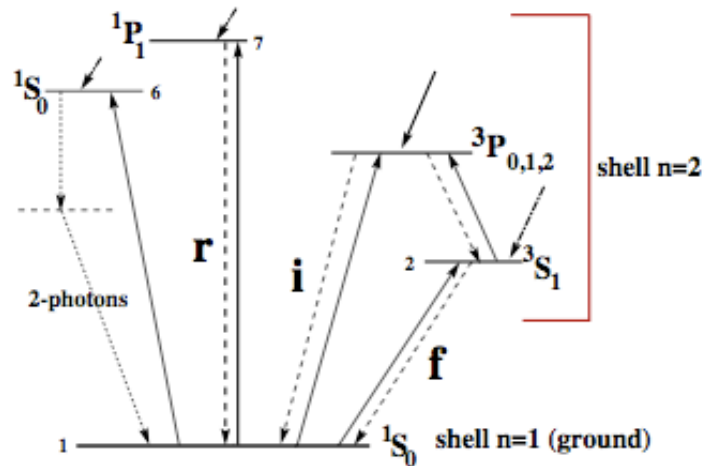
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Diaz Trigo et al. 2014

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- Lines associated with electronic transitions (mostly 1s–2p Ly) in H-like and He-like ions  
 => Presence of a highly-ionised plasma in the system



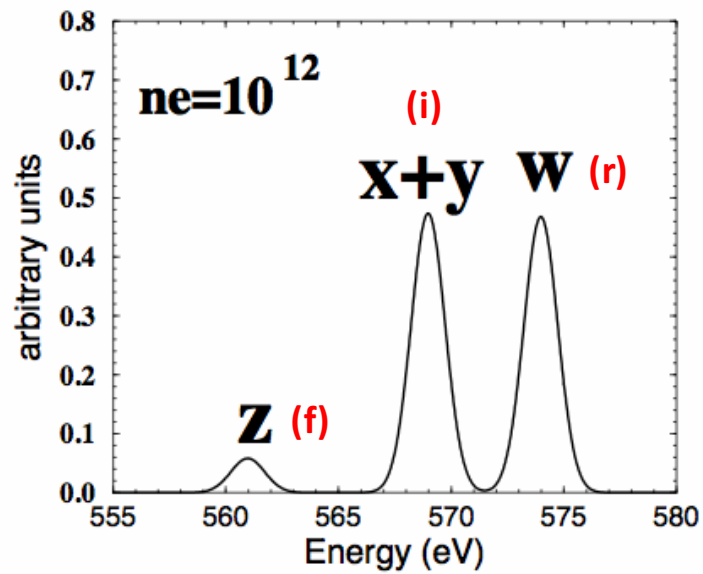
## He-like atoms (e.g. OVII or Fe XXV)

- in absorption: the resonance line
- in emission: (the “triplet”) resonance, intercombination, forbidden

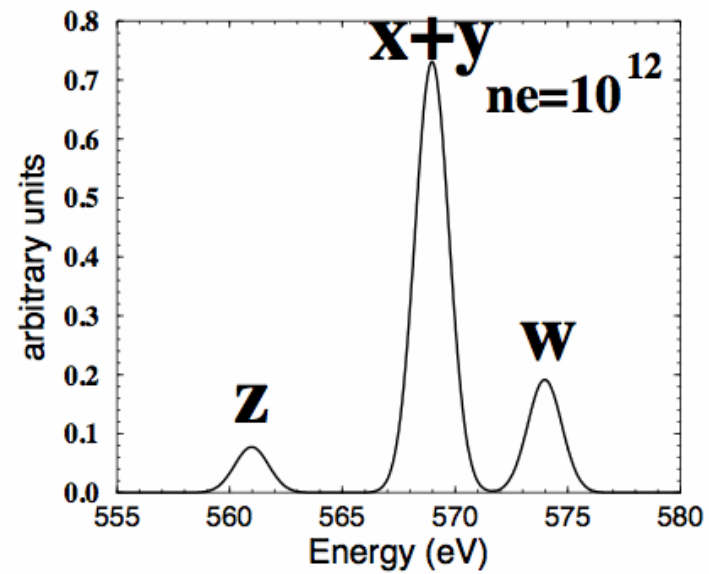
Line ratios depend on the physical conditions of the plasma:

- collisional or photo-ionisation
- density
- temperature

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Hybrid plasma

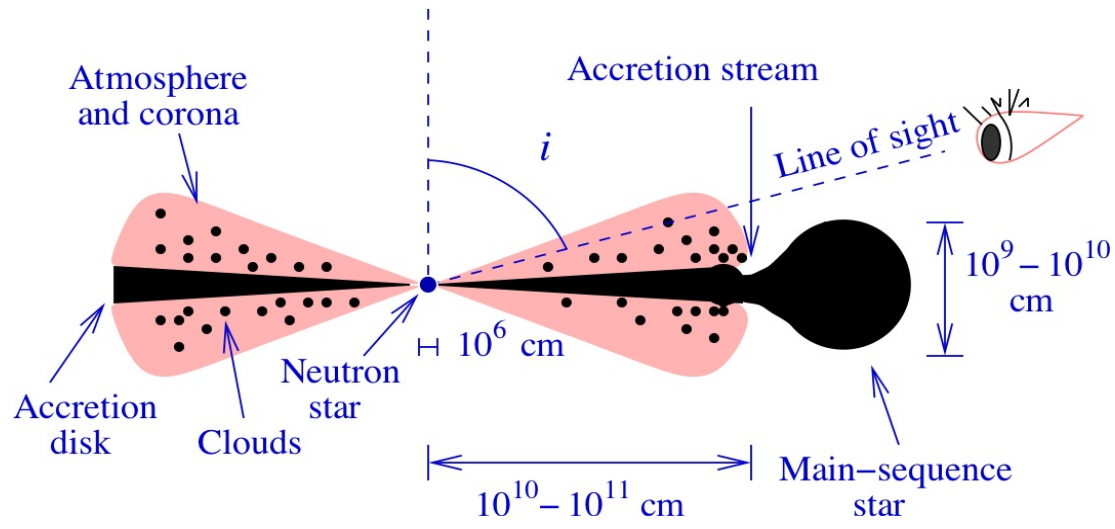


Porquet & Dubau 2000

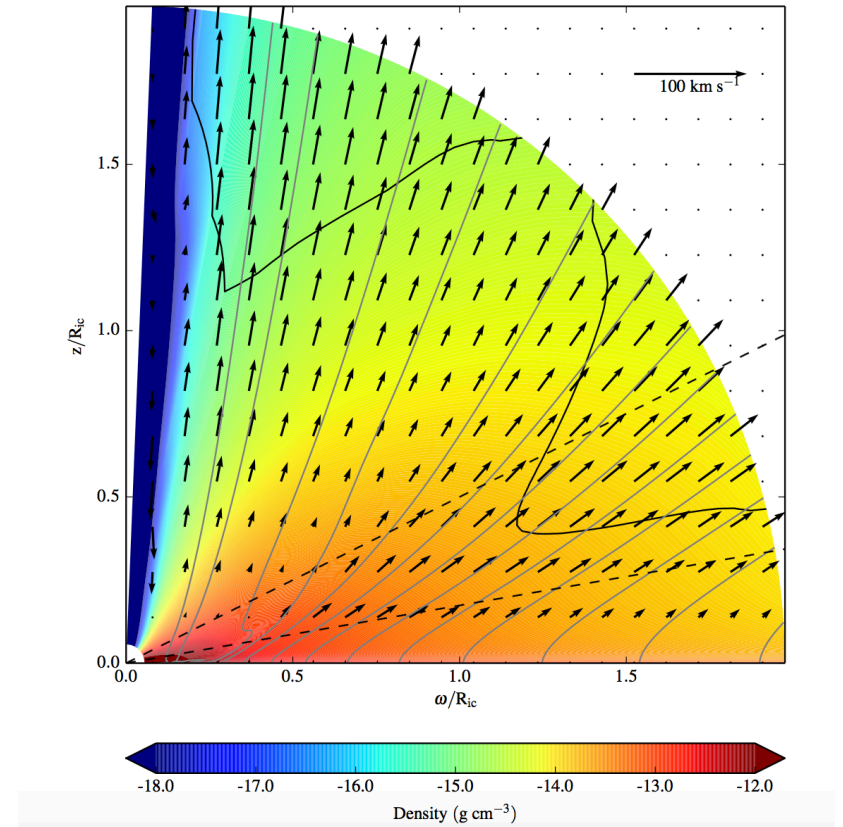
Photoionised plasma



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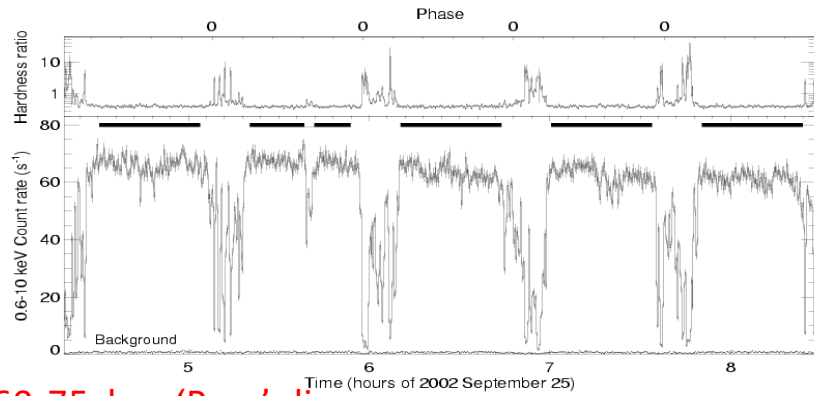
Jimenez Garate et al. 2002



Higginbottom & Proga 2015

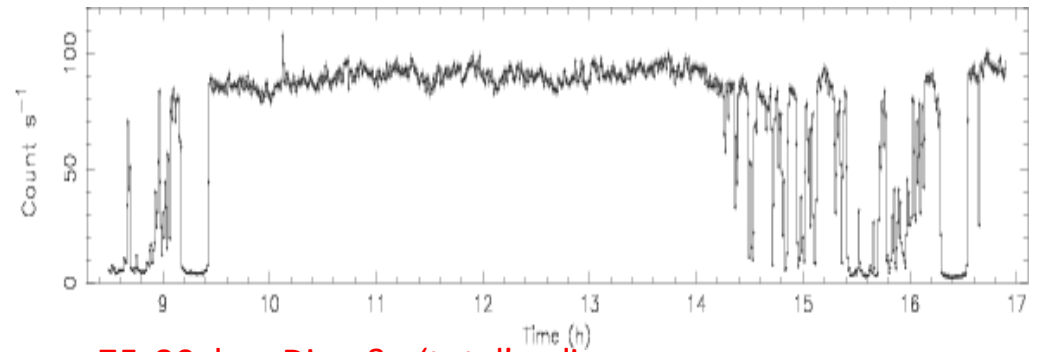
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84% are dippers (Diaz Trigo et al. 2006, Ponti et al. 2012)



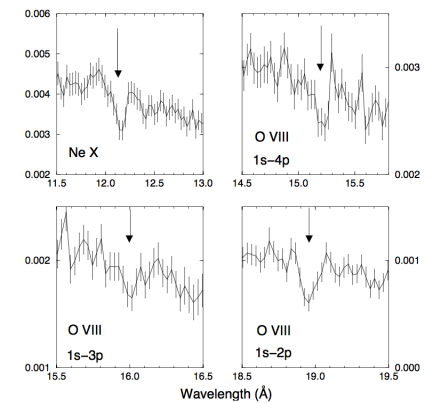
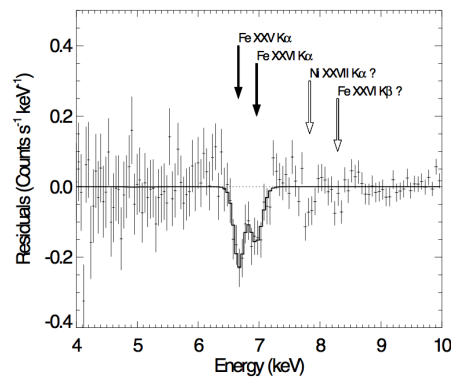
60-75 deg. 'Pure' dippers

Boirin et al. 2004



75-80 deg. Dips & ~'total' eclipses

Sidoli et al. 2001

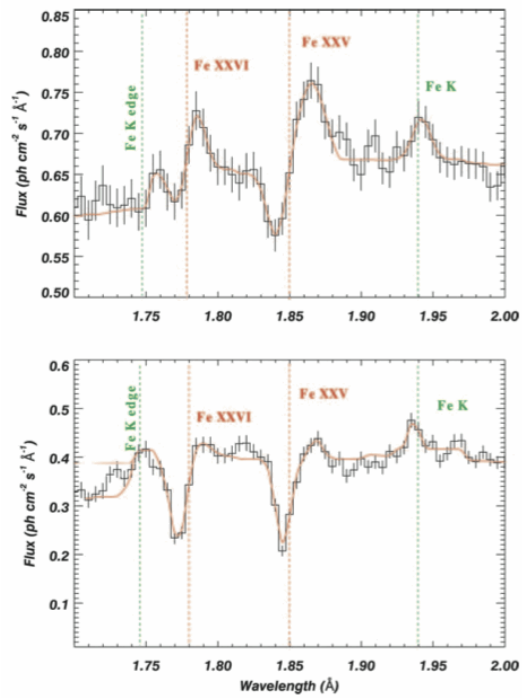


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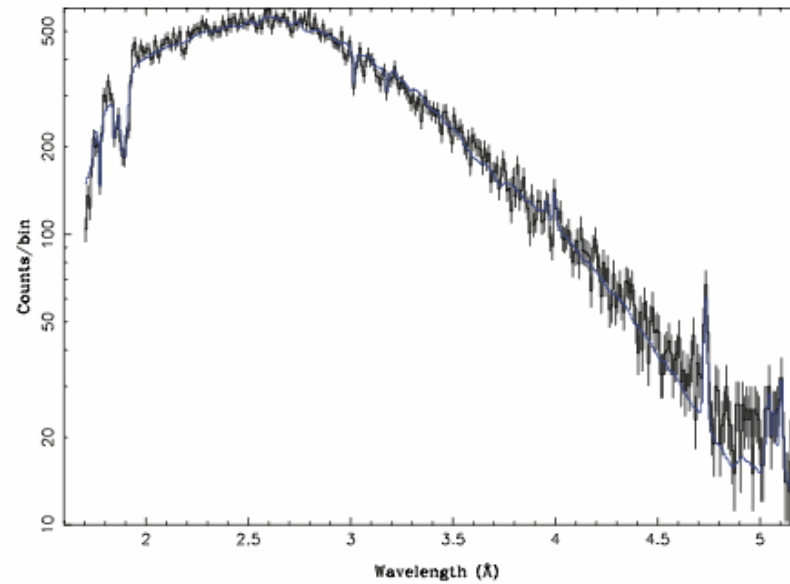


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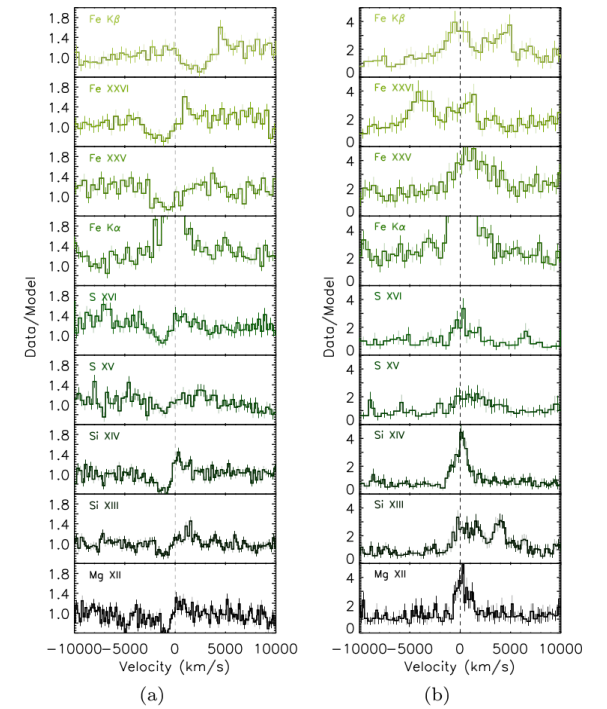
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Brandt & Schulz 2002



Schulz et al. 2008



King et al. 2015

# Velocity of the plasma

100% of BHs vs 30% of NSs  
show winds

$v \sim 200\text{-}3000 \text{ km/s}$  (wind)

$v < \sim 200 \text{ km/s}$

(“atmosphere”, shift not measurable with current instruments)

## Orbital period

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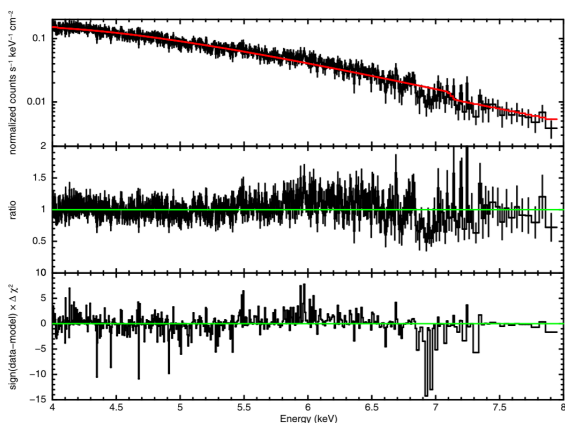
Line identification

Multiple velocities for a given ion

Low/high ionisation ions show (in general) small/large velocities

Line saturation

# Line identification



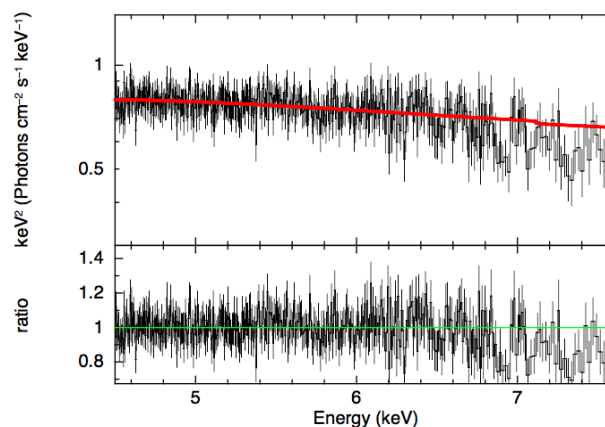
GX 340+0 (Miller et al. 2016)

6.94 +/- 0.02 keV (measured)

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(Interpreted as ultra-fast outflow with  $v=0.04c$ )



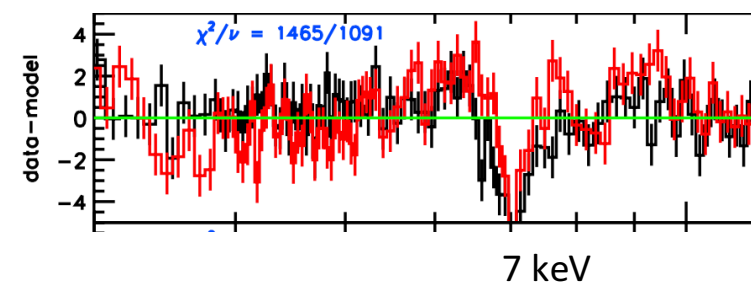
IGR J17091-3624 (King et al. 2012)

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4U 1630-472 (King et al. 2014)

7.03 +/- 0.03 keV (measured)

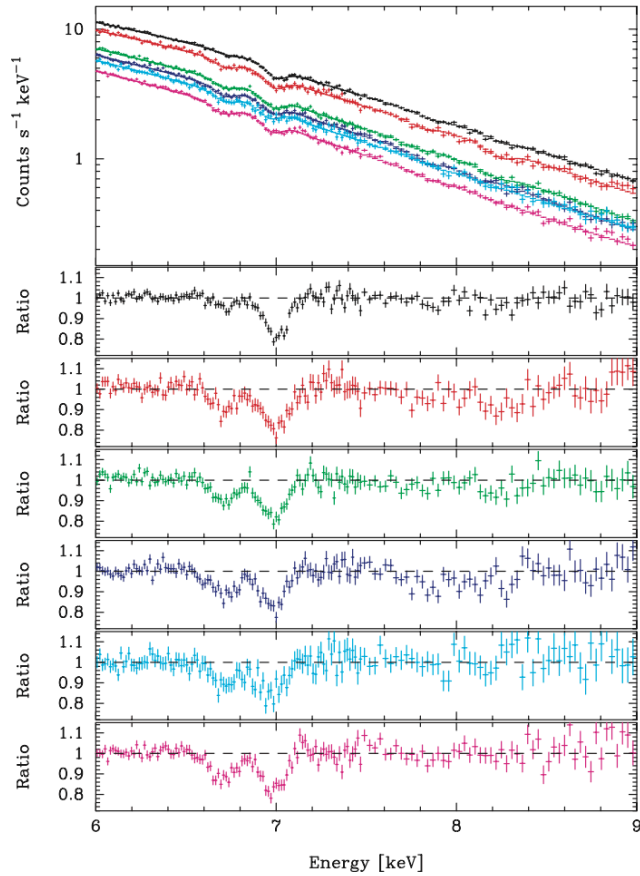
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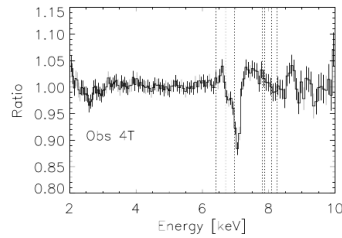
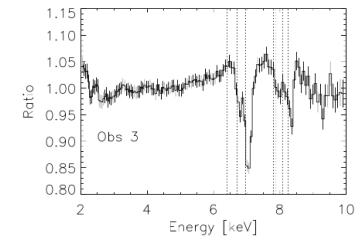
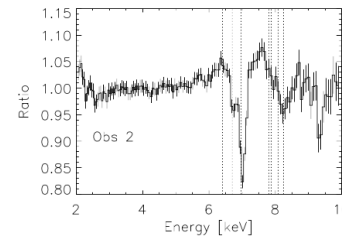
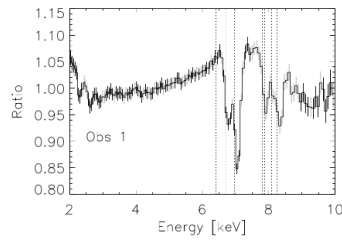
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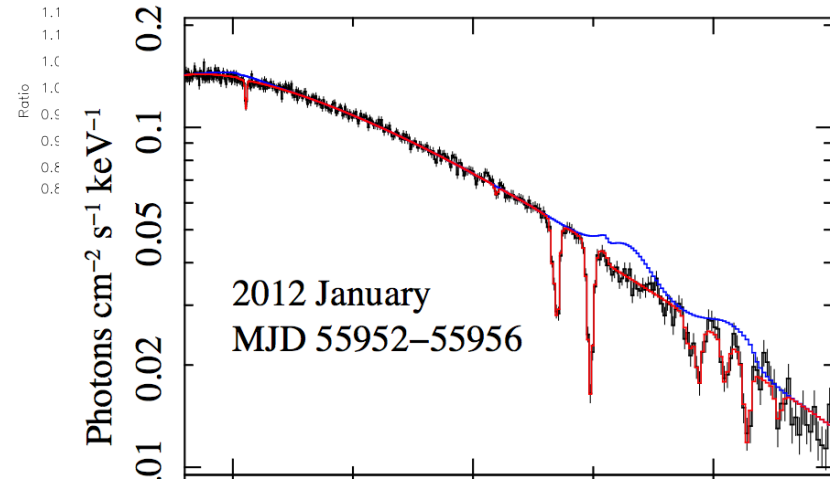
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Kubota et al. 2007

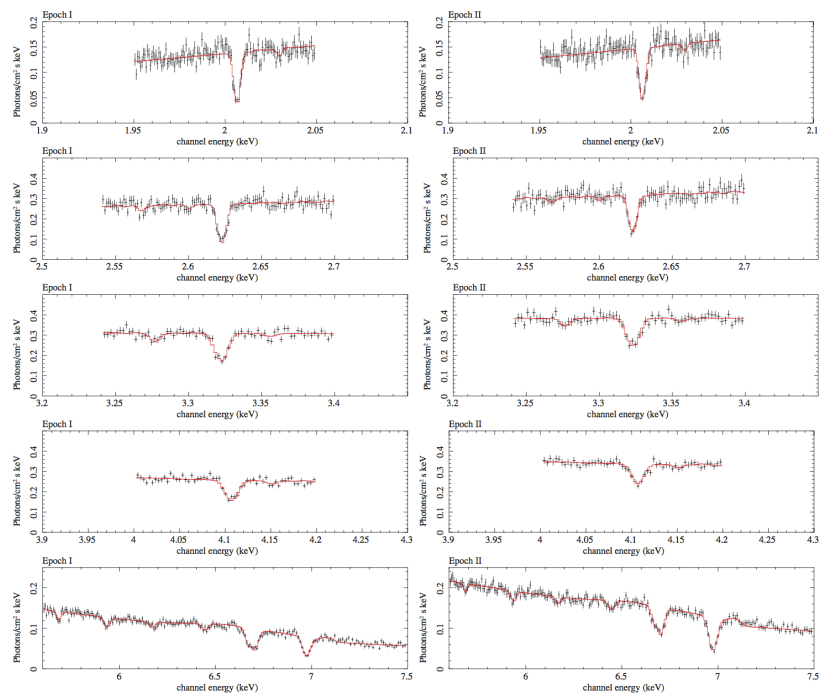


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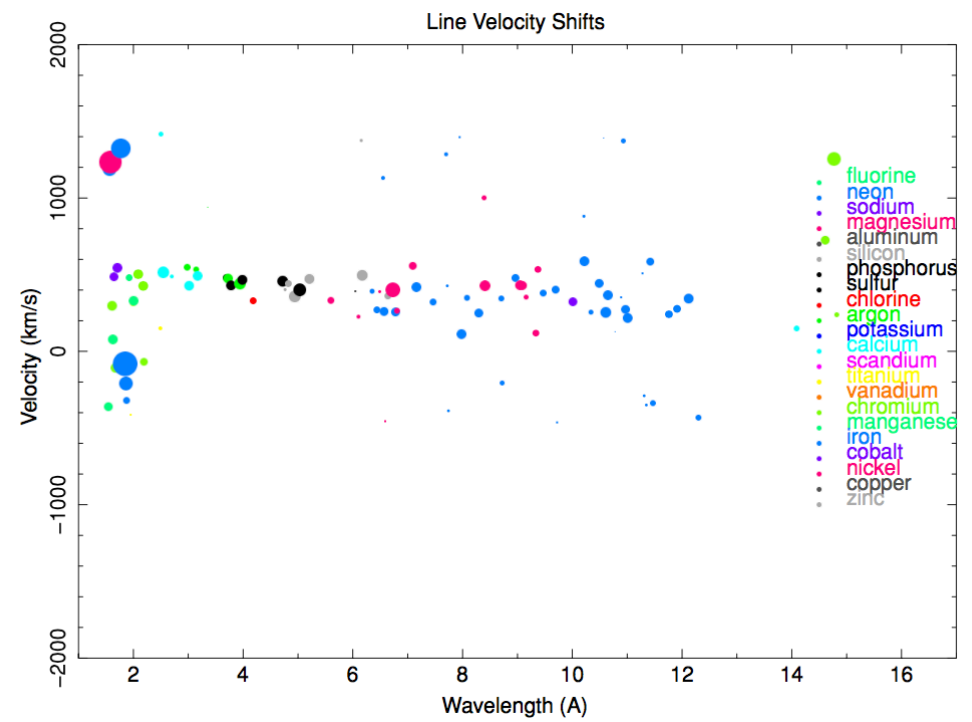


Neilsen et al. 2014

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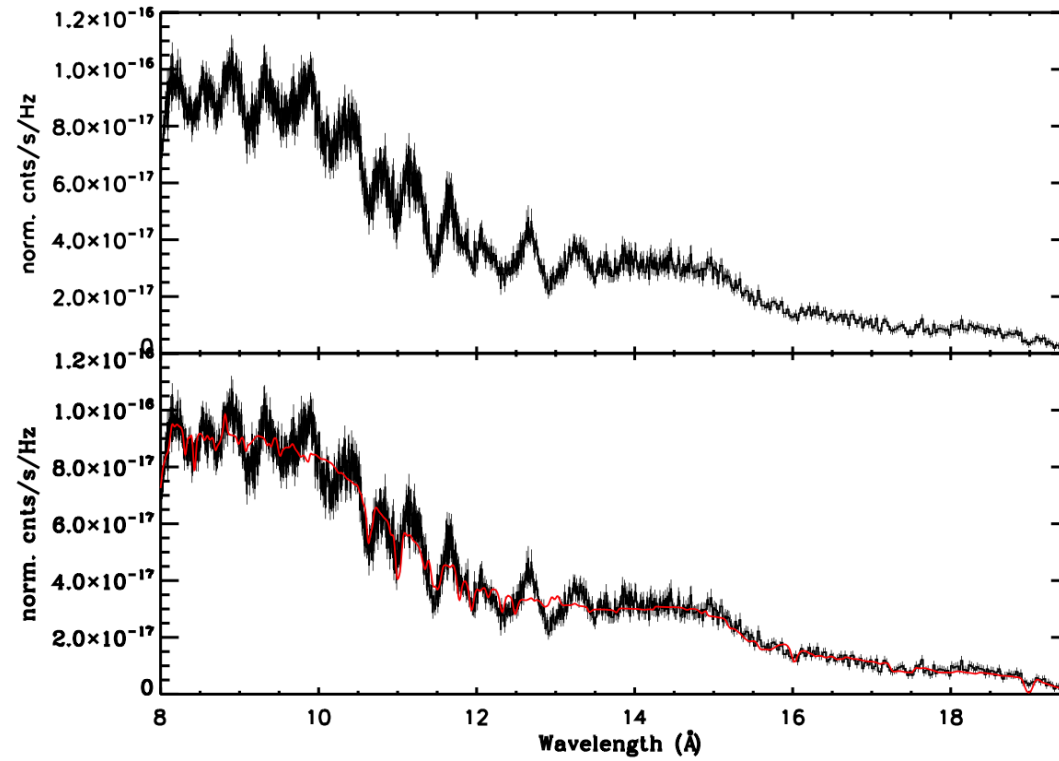
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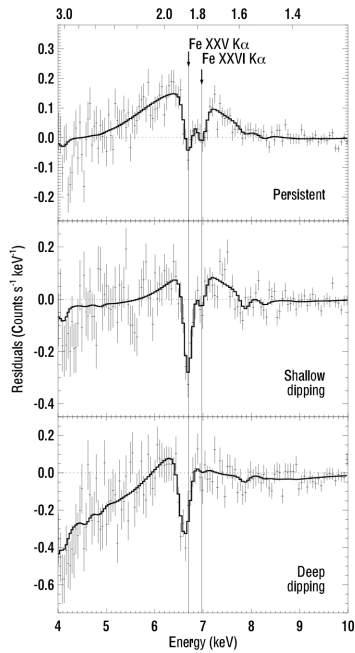


Miller et al. 2014

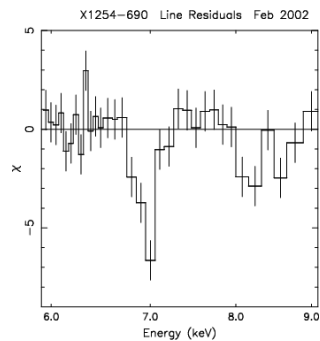
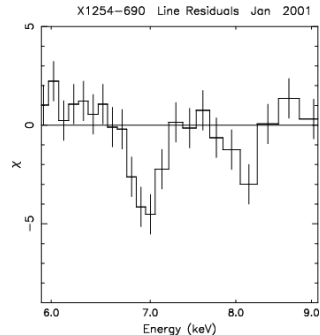


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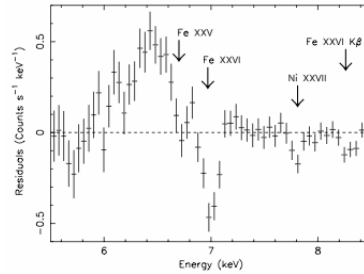
89% of the absorbers are highly ionised ( $\xi > 3$ )



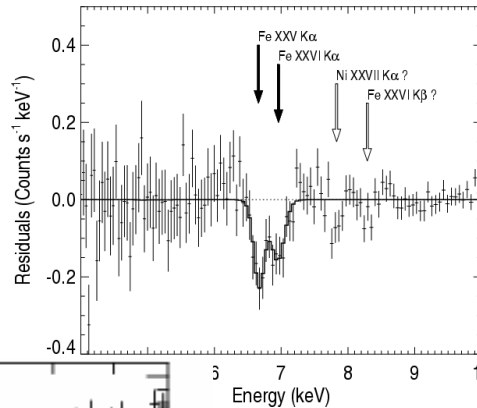
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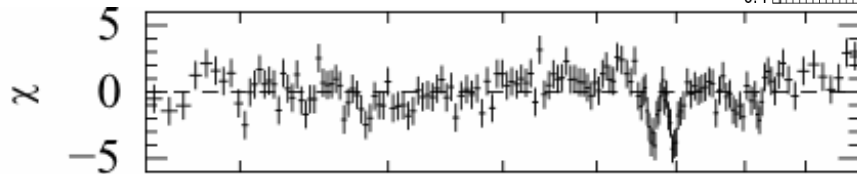
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Boirin & Parmar 2003



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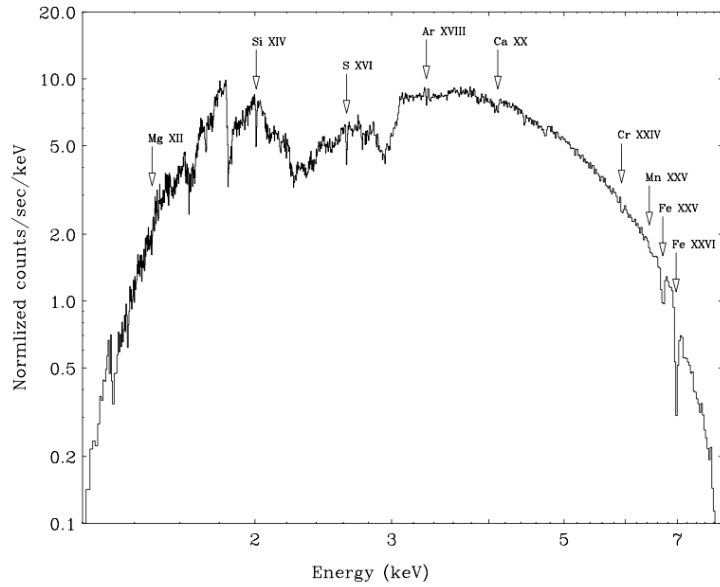
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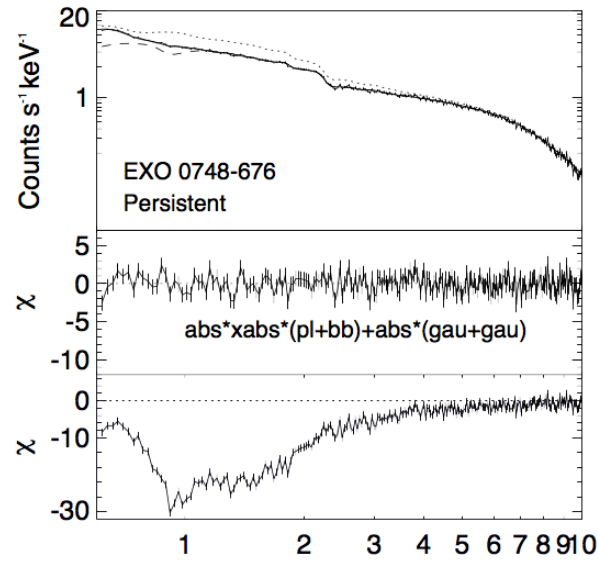
# Ionisation

Source	$P_{\text{orb}}$	$N_{\text{H}}^{\text{Gal}}$ $10^{21} \text{ cm}^{-2}$	NS	Dips	$i$ ( $^{\circ}$ )	$\log \xi$ < 3 ≥ 3	Flow	References on the warm absorbers
XB 1916–053	0.83 h	2.3	NS	D		x x	atm	Boirin04, Juett06, Díaz Trigo06, Iaria06, Zhang14
1A 1744–361	1.62 h	3.1	NS	D		x	atm	Gavriil12
4U 1323–62	2.93 h	12	NS	D		x	no grat.	Boirin05, Church05, Bałucińska-Church09
EXO 0748–676	3.82 h	1.0	NS	D		x x	atm	Díaz Trigo06, van Peet09, Ponti14
XB 1254–690	3.93 h	2.0	NS	D		x	atm	Boirin03, Díaz Trigo06/09, Iaria07
MXB 1658–298	7.11 h	1.9	NS	D		x x	atm	Sidoli01, Díaz Trigo06
XTE J1650–500	7.63 h	4.2			> 50	? <sup>a</sup> ? <sup>b</sup>	? <sup>c</sup>	Miller02/04
AX J1745.6-2901	8.4 h	12	NS	D		x	no grat.	Hyodo09, Ponti15
MAXI J1305–704	9.74 h <sup>d</sup>	1.9		D		x	in	Shidatsu13, Miller14
X 1624–490	20.89 h	20	NS	D		x	atm	Parmar02, Díaz Trigo06, Iaria07b, Xiang09
IGR J17480–2446	21.27 h <sup>e</sup>	6.5	NS	D		x	out	Miller11
GX 339–4	1.76 d	3.6			> 45 <sup>f</sup>	x	? <sup>g</sup>	Miller04, Juett06
GRO J1655–40	2.62 d	5.2		D		x	out	Ueda98, Yamaoka01, Miller06b/08, Netzer06, Sala07, Díaz Trigo07, Kallman09, Luketic10, Neilsen12
Cir X–1	16.6 d	16	NS	D		x x	out	Brandt00, Schulz02, , D’Ai07, Iaria08, Schulz08
GX 13+1	24.06 d	13	NS	D		x	out	Ueda01/04, Sidoli02, Díaz Trigo12, Madej14, D’Ai14
GRS 1915+105	33.5 d	13		D		x	out	Kotani00, Lee02, Martocchia06, Ueda09/10, Neilsen09/11/12
IGR J17091–3624	>4 d <sup>h</sup>	5.4			> 53 <sup>i</sup>	x	out	King12
4U 1630–47		17		D		x	out	Kubota07, Díaz Trigo13/14, King13/14, Neilsen14
H 1743–322		6.9		D		x	out	Miller06a

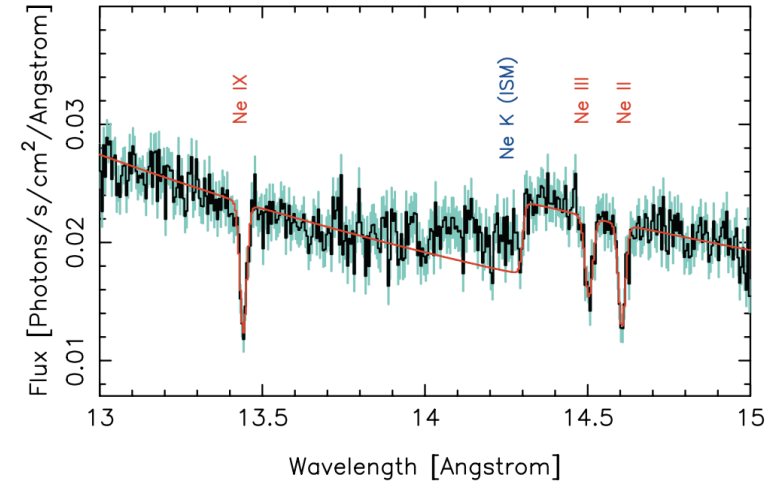
# Ionisation



Ueda et al. 2004



Diaz Trigo et al. 2006



Miller et al. 2004

Low  $\xi$  cannot be detected in 37% of the sources due to ISM absorption





# Launching radius

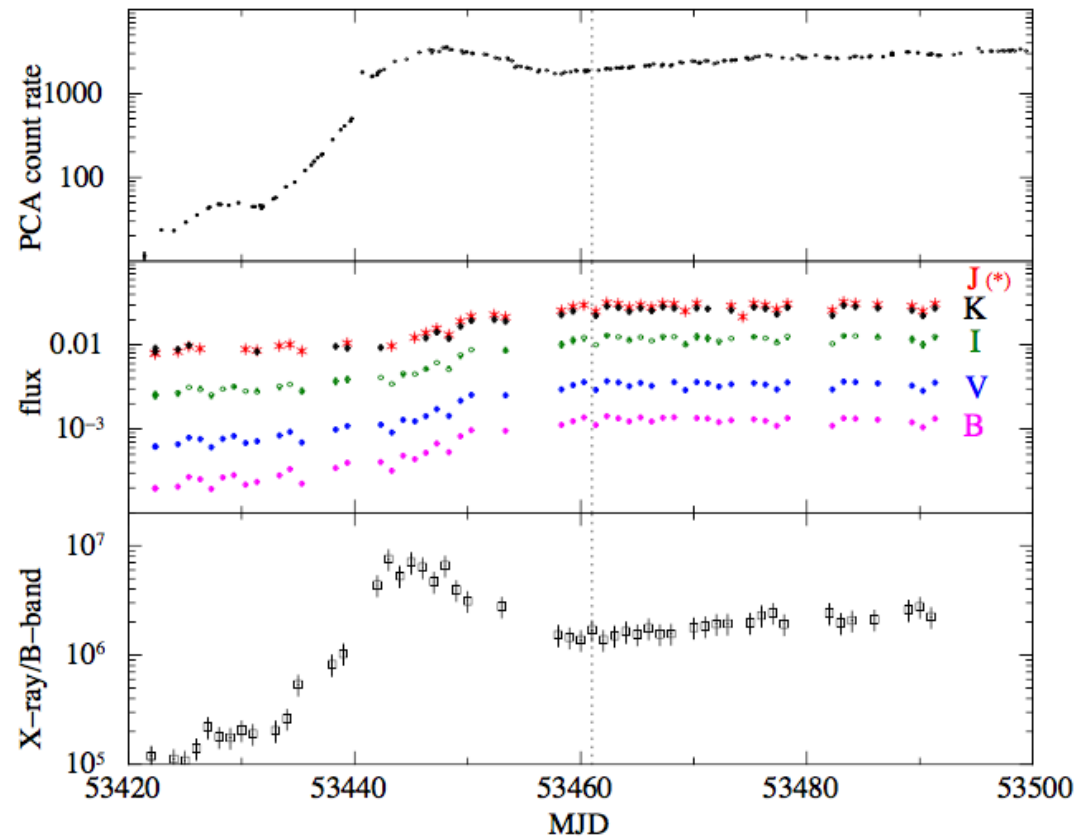
$$\xi = L / n_e r^2$$

Luminosity underestimated by more than one order of magnitude due to the opacity of the wind:  $L > 0.7 L_{\text{Edd}}$

Two effects:

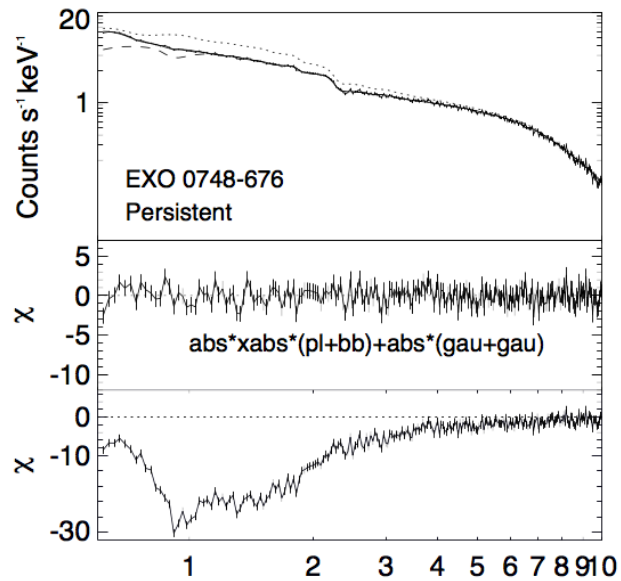
- Allowed distance from compact object
- Increase of radiation pressure due to electrons

Winds launched close to the BH/NS should be faster!

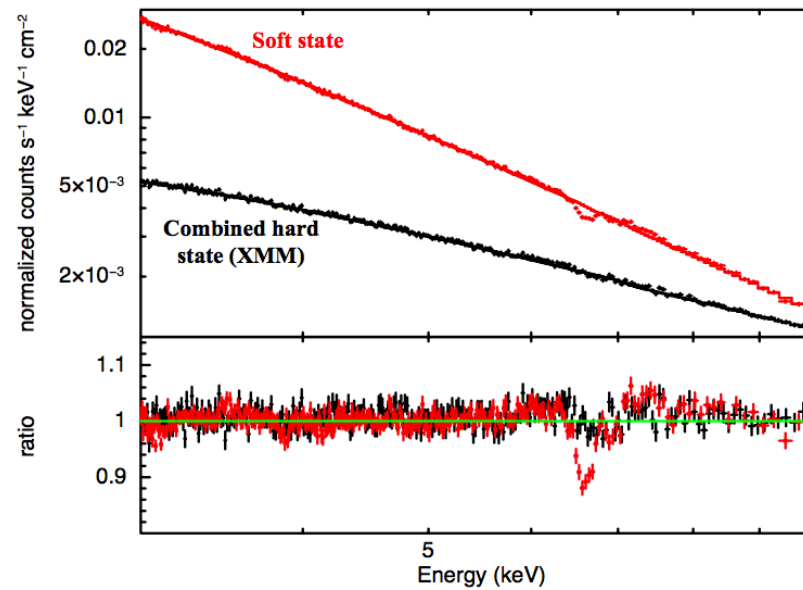


Shidatsu et al. 2016  
(see also Neilsen et al 2016)

# Variability

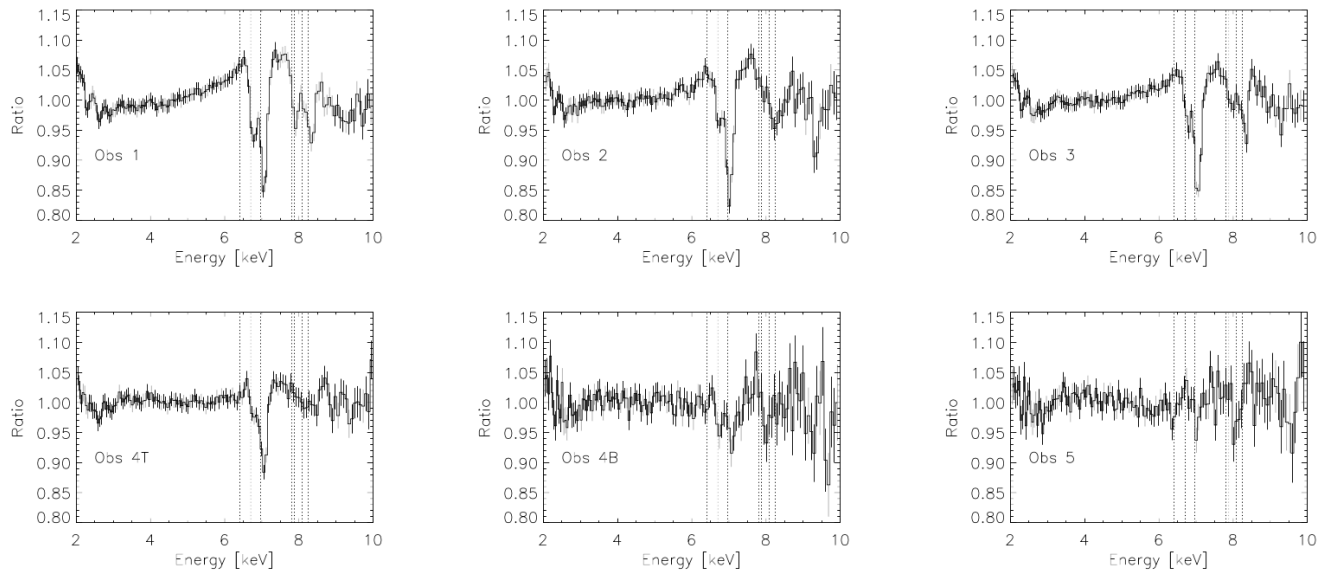


Diaz Trigo et al. 2006  
(see also van Peet 2009)

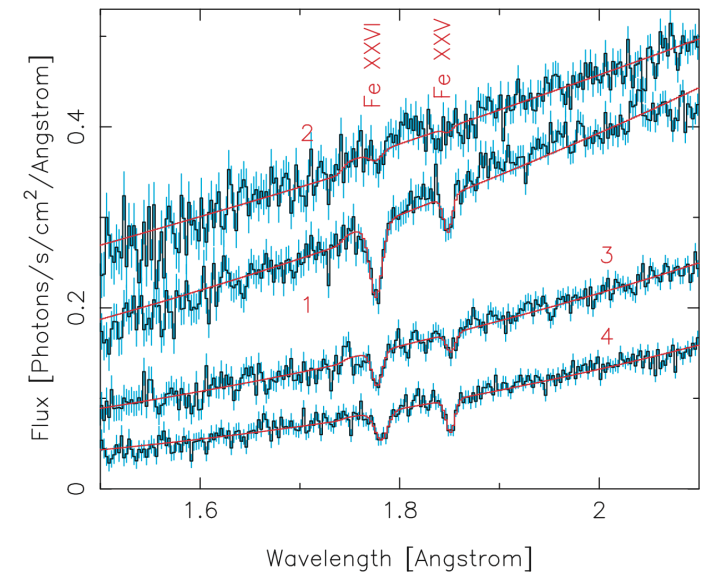


Ponti et al. 2014

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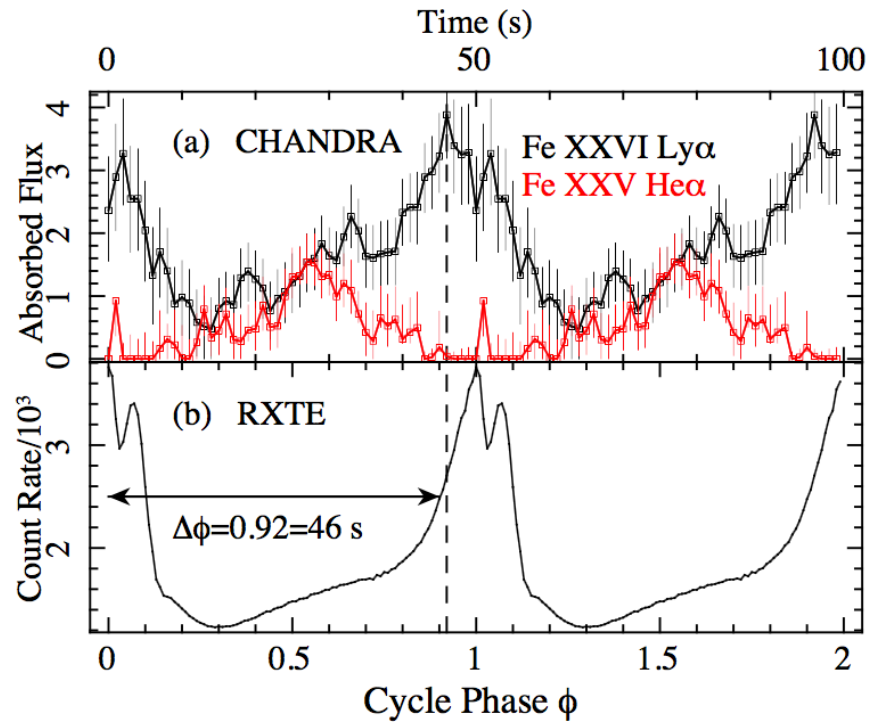


Diaz Trigo et al. 2013, 2014



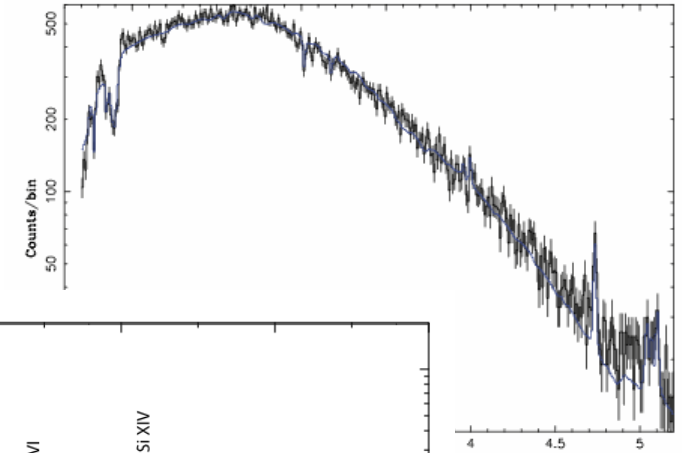
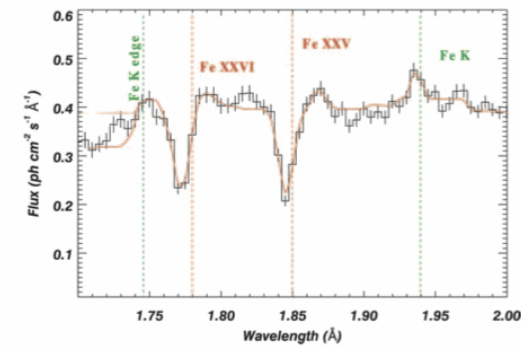
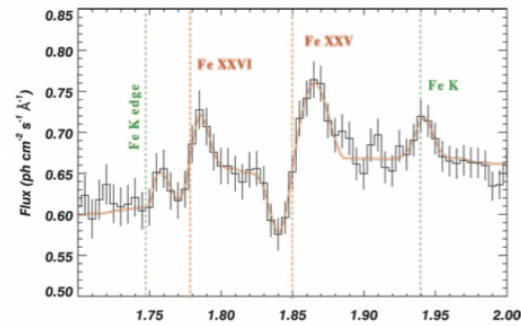
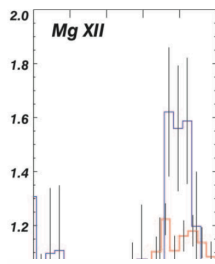
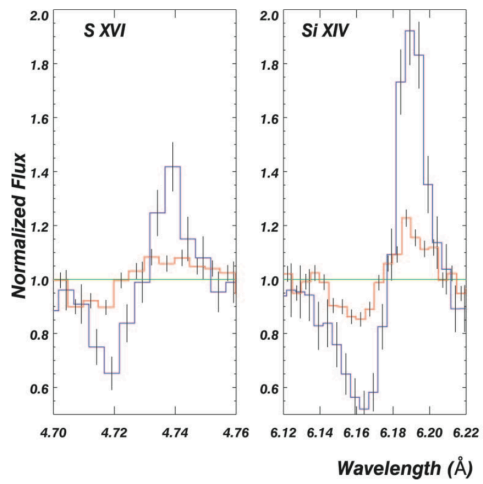
Miller et al. 2006

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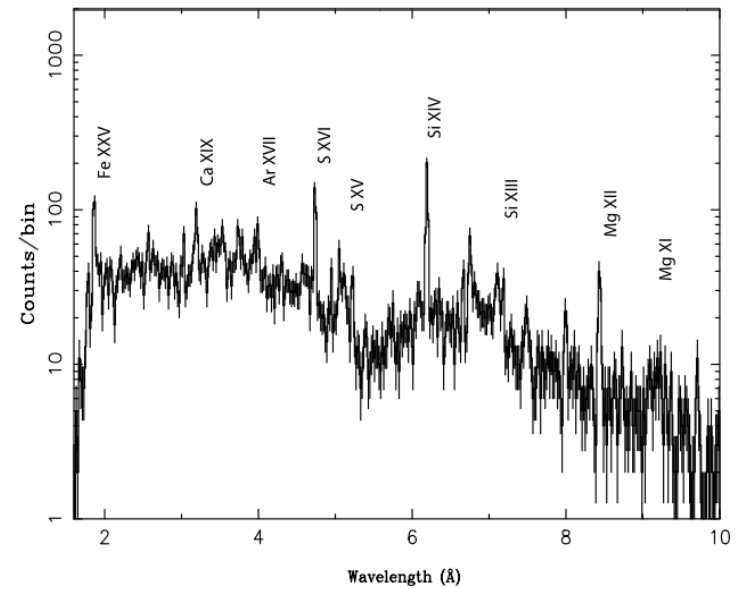


Neilsen et al. 2011

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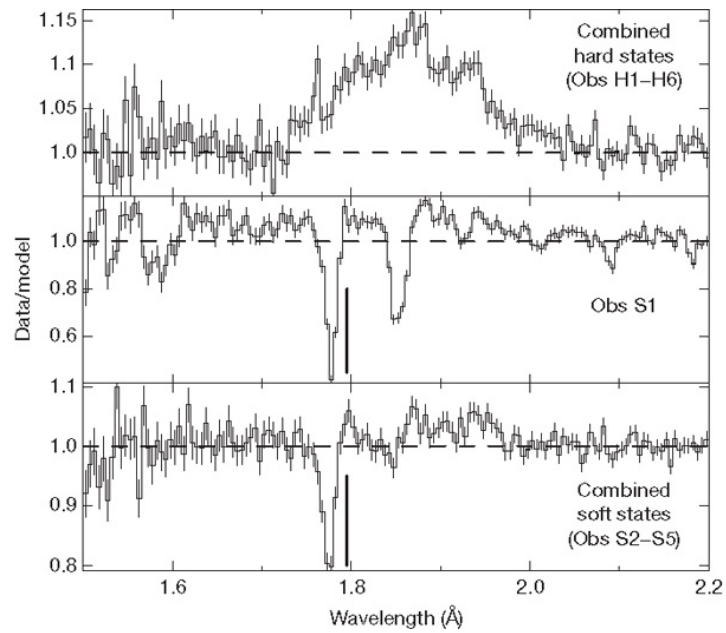


Brandt & Schulz 2002

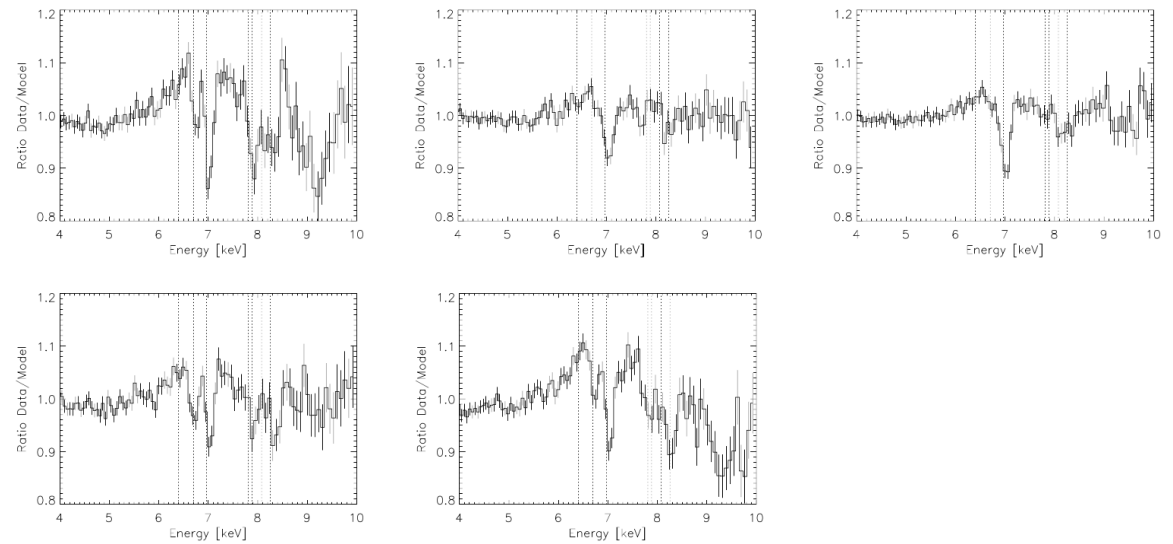


Schulz et al. 2008

# Wind and other spectral components

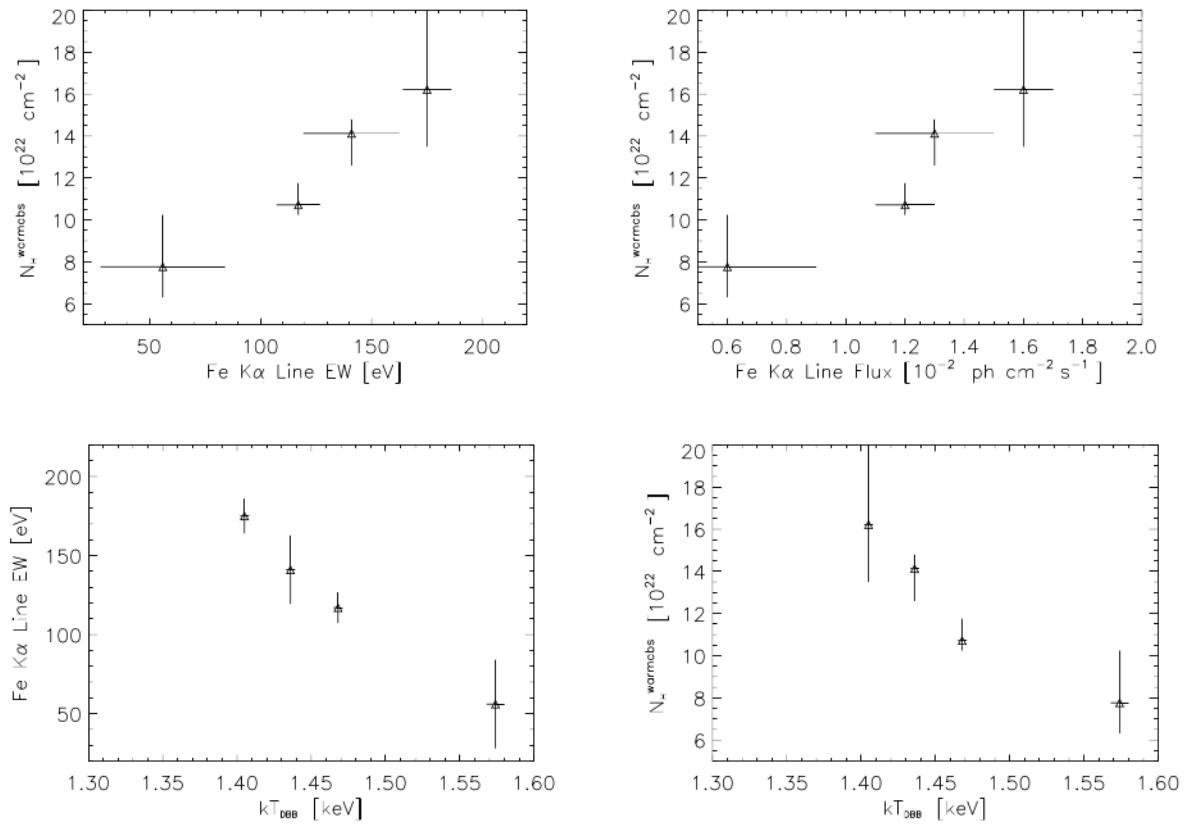


Neilsen & Lee 2009



Diaz Trigo et al. 2012

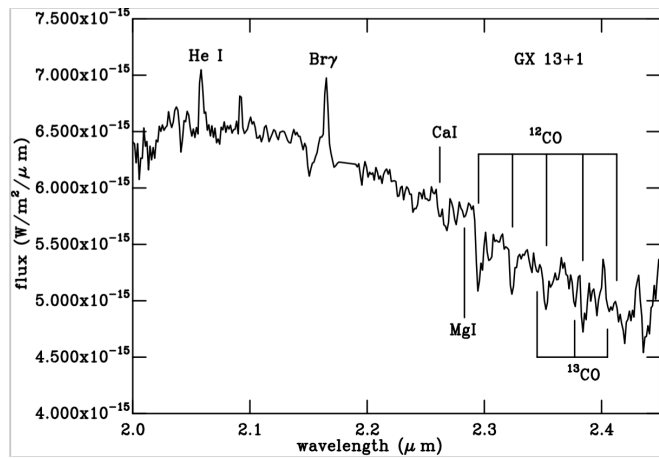
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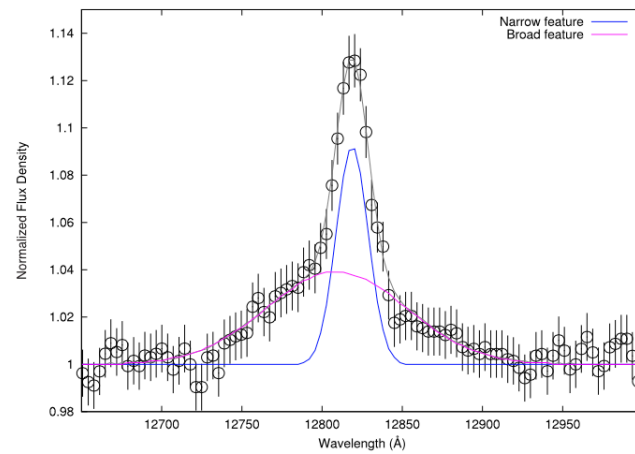
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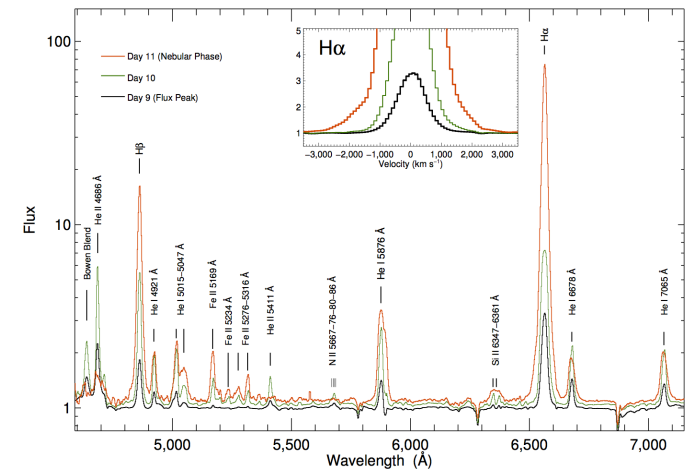
# The optical/IR connection?



Bandyopadhyay et al. 1999



Rahoui et al. 2014  
(see also Wu et al. 2001)



Munoz-Darias et al. 2016

# Outlook

- Wealth of observations with challenges to theoretical models
- Some relevant observations at transitional states still missing
- Important for understanding connection of winds with accretion states, jets or significance for triggering transitions