

# Modeling the Extreme X-ray Spectrum of IRAS 13224-3809

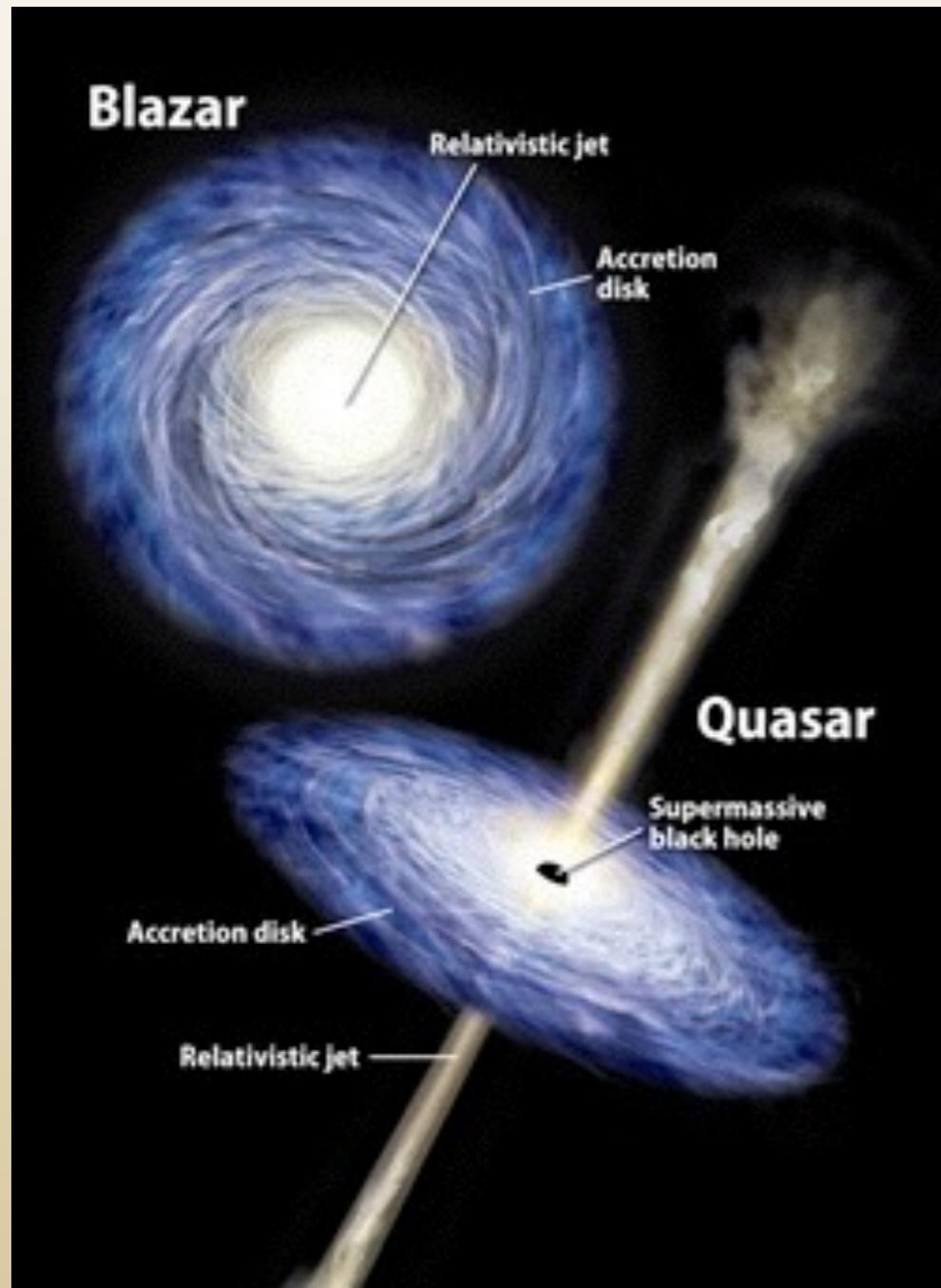


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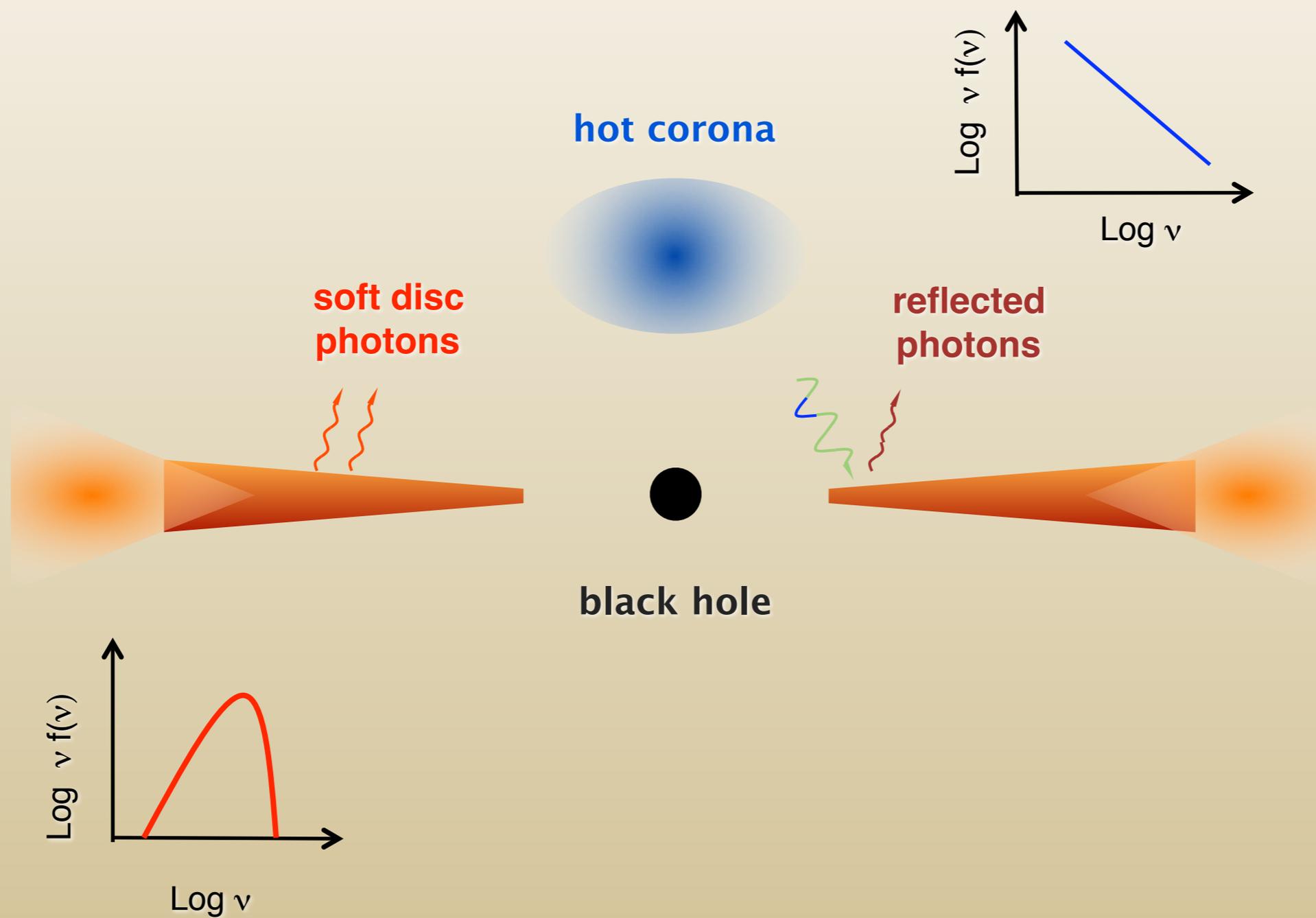
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# Active Galactic Nuclei (AGN)

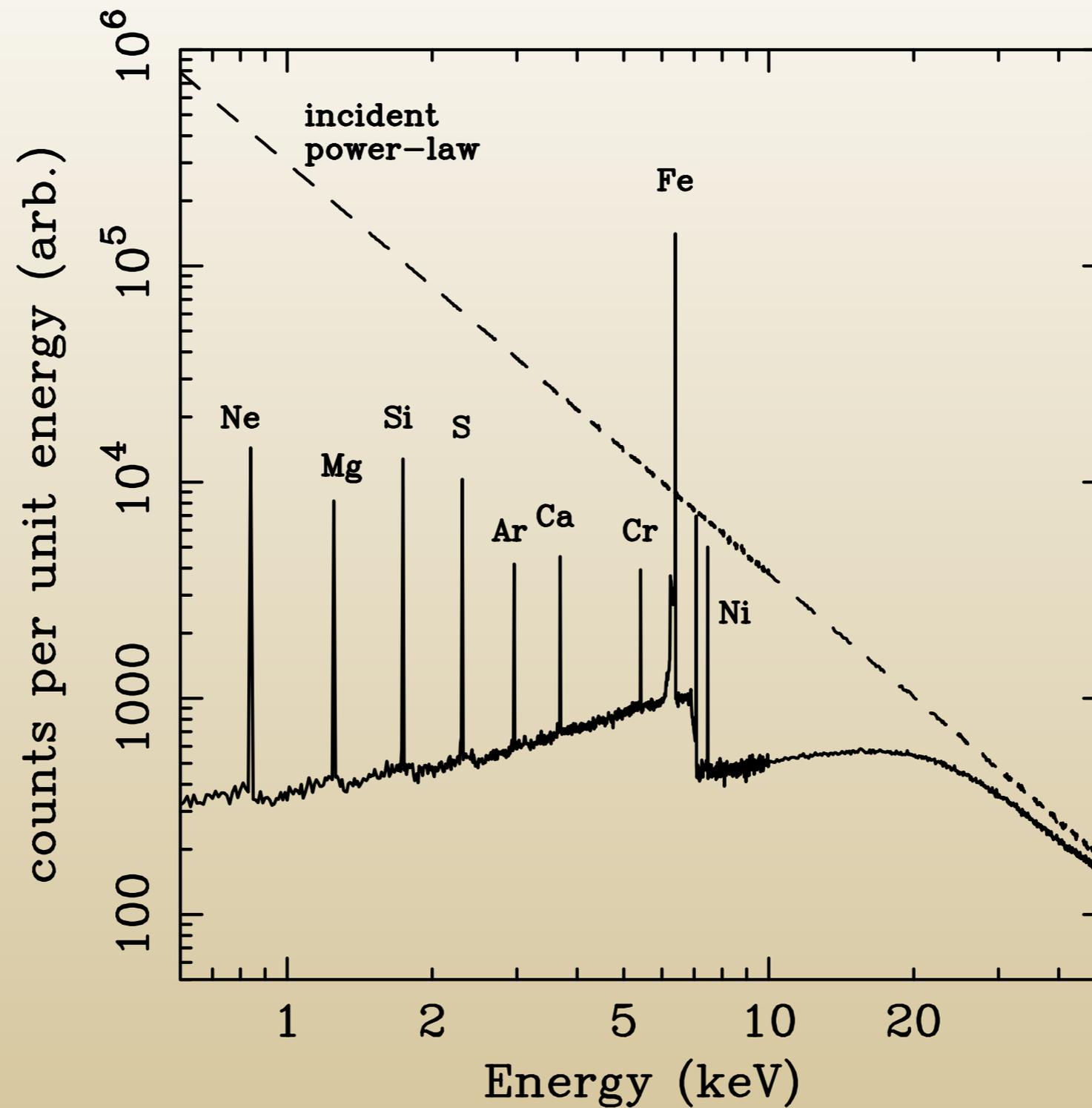


- ❖  $L_{\text{AGN}} \geq L_{\text{GALAXY}}$
- ❖ supermassive black holes ( $10^5 M_{\odot} < M_{\text{BH}} < 10^8 M_{\odot}$ )
- ❖ observed in the radio, microwaves, infrared, optical, ultra-violet, X-ray and gamma ray wavebands
- ❖ powered via accretion

# Geometry

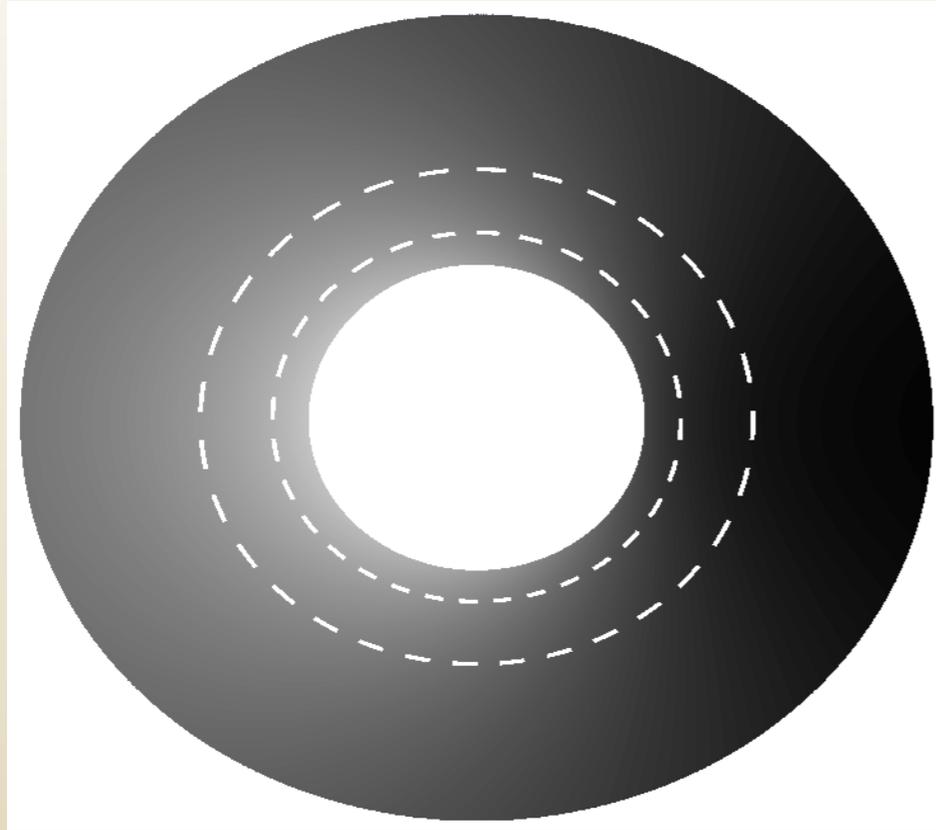


# Reflected Spectrum



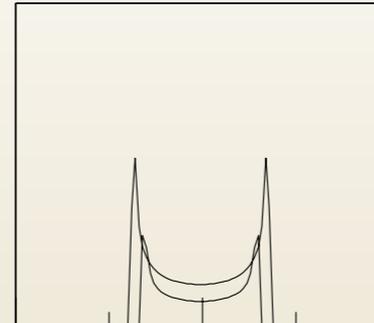
Reynolds (1993)

# Relativistic Effects

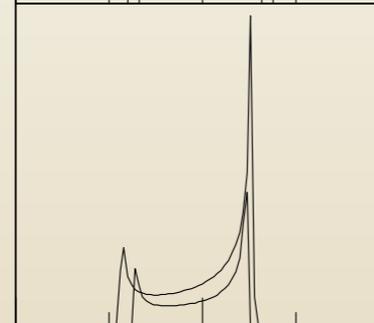


Fabian et al. (2000)

Newtonian



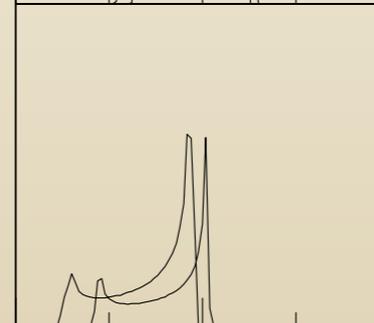
Special relativity



Transverse Doppler shift

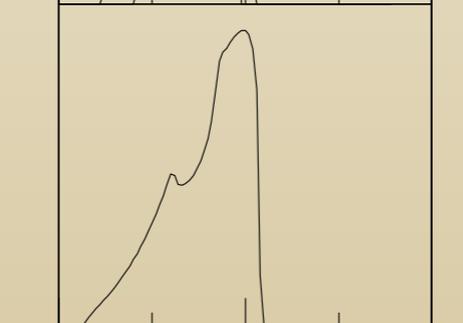
Beaming

General relativity



Gravitational redshift

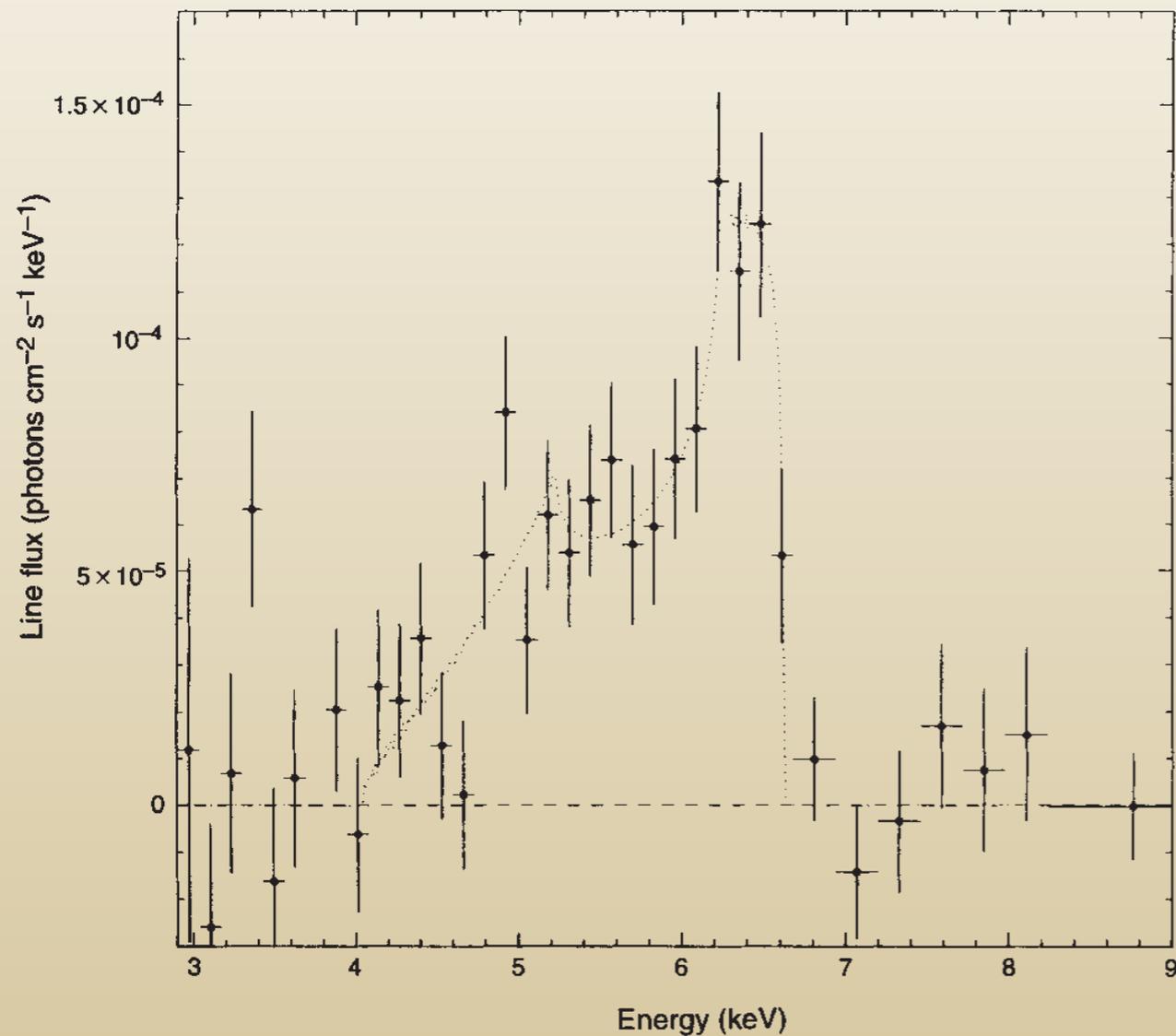
Line profile



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$\nu_{\text{obs}}/\nu_{\text{em}}$

# Broad Fe K $\alpha$ Line

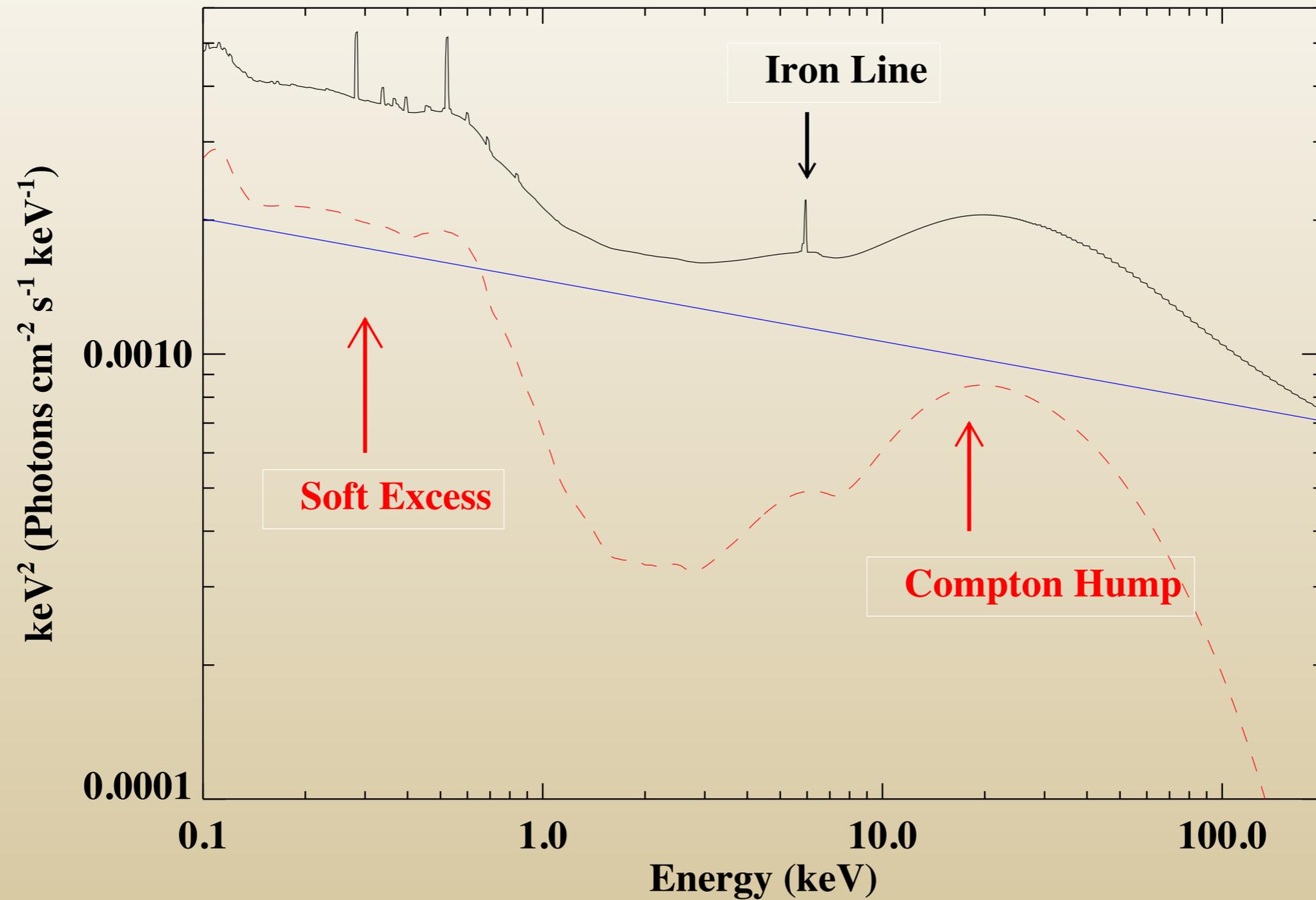


Tanaka et al. (1995)

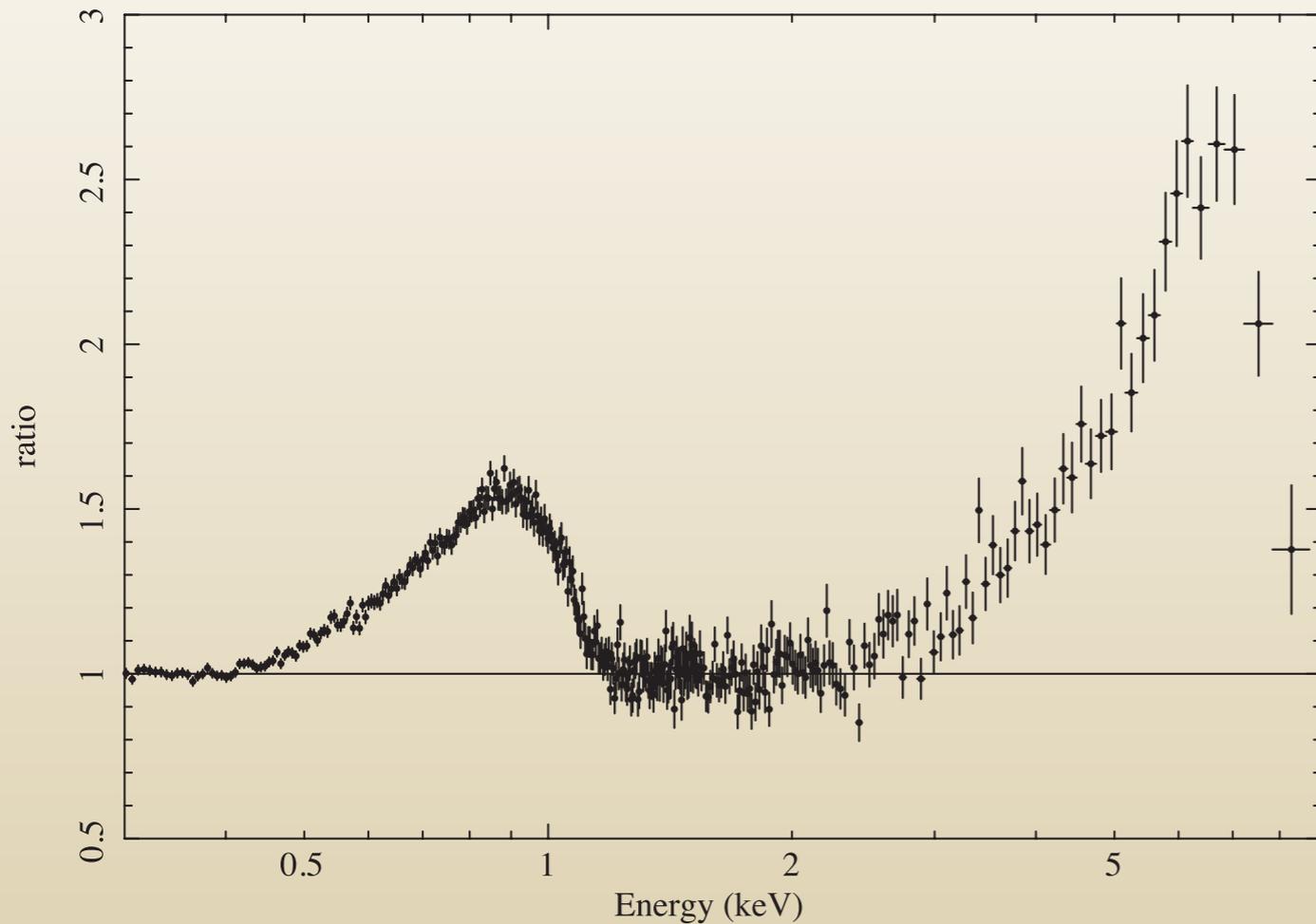
- ❖ Relativistic iron line first discovered in *ASCA* observation of Type I AGN [MCG-6-30-15](#)
- ❖ Found in both AGN and LXMBs
- ❖ Line profile can be used to measure the black hole spin

# AGN X-ray Spectrum

## Relativistic Reflection Model



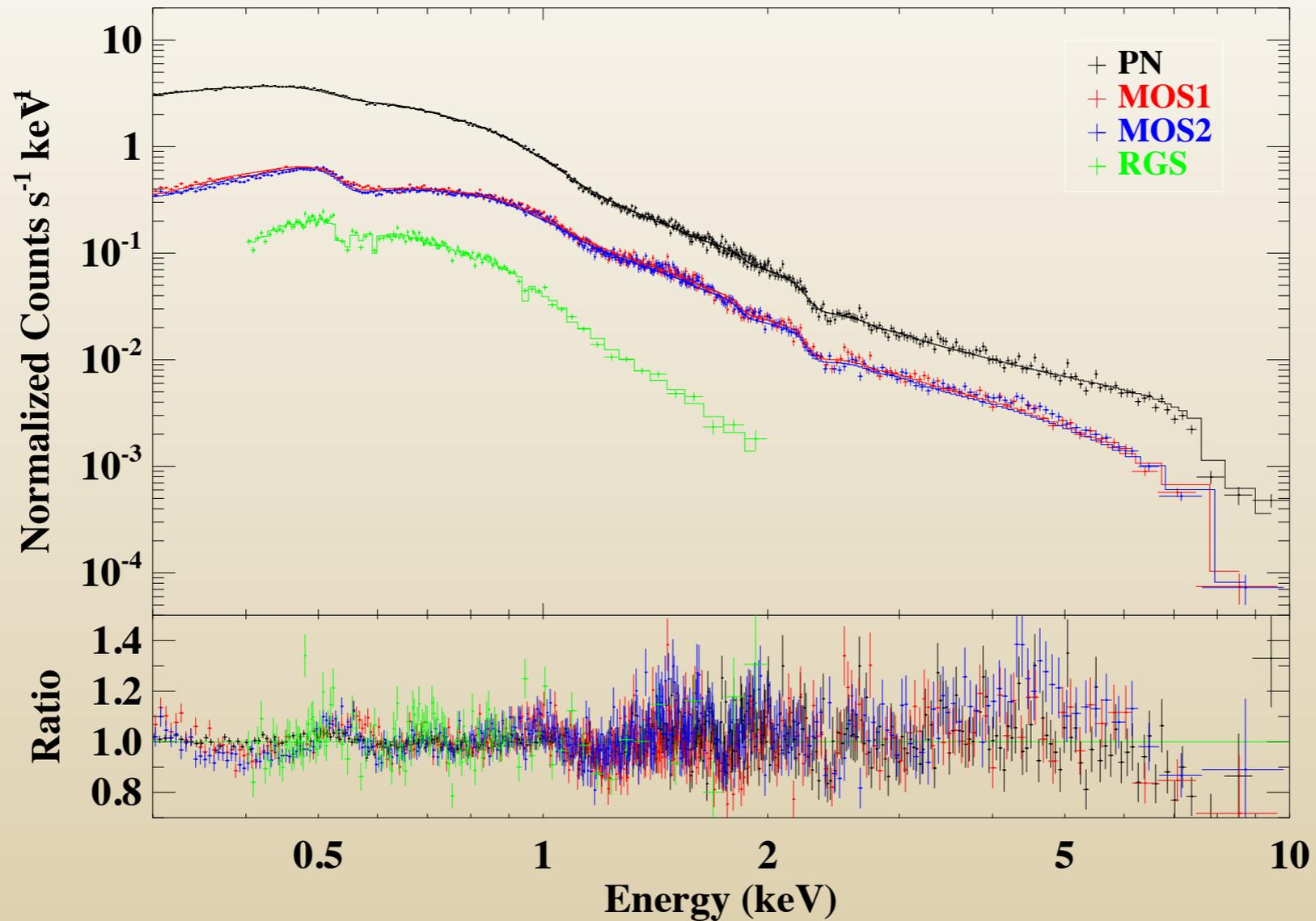
# IRAS 13224-3809



- \* strong Fe K & Fe L lines,
- \* sharp edge at  $\sim 8$  keV
- \* large variability
- \* small central black holes, high accreting rates
- \* high iron abundance

500 ks *XMM-Newton* observation in 2011,  
Fabian et al. (2013)

# Time-averaged Spectra



Galactic absorption \* (powerlaw + blackbody + blurred reflection)

Chiang et al. (2015)

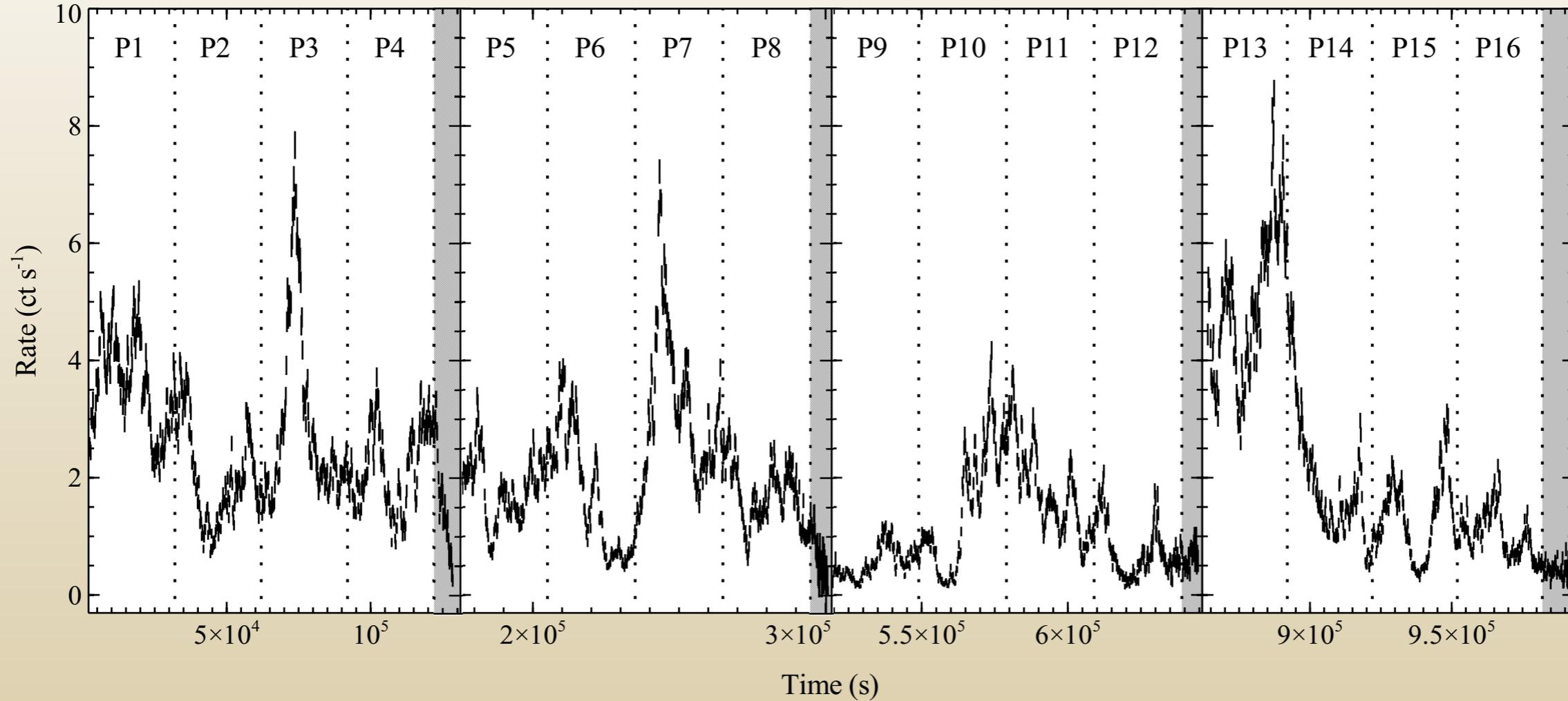
# Time-averaged Spectra

Component	Parameter	Value
TBNEW	Absorption column, $N_{\text{H}}$	$6.1^{+0.3}_{-0.1}$
BBODY	Temperature, $kT$ ( $10^{-2}$ keV)	$9.3^{+0.1}_{-0.2}$
	Norm	$3.6^{+0.3}_{-0.2} \times 10^{-5}$
	$F_{\text{BB}}$	$29.9^{+2.4}_{-1.2}$
POWERLAW	Photon index, $\Gamma$	$2.71 \pm 0.02$
	Norm	$(3.8 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-4}$
	$F_{\text{PLC}}$	$43.3^{+1.2}_{-1.1}$
RELCONV	Inner emissivity index, $q_1$	$> 9$
	Outer emissivity index, $q_2$	$3.4^{+0.3}_{-0.2}$
	Spin parameter, $a^*$	$0.990^{+0.001}_{-0.003}$
	$R_{\text{break}} (R_{\text{g}})$	$2.1 \pm 0.1$
	Inclination, $i$ (deg)	$64.6^{+0.6}_{-0.7}$
EXTENDX	Iron abundance /solar, $A_{\text{Fe}}$	$> 18.1$
	Ionization parameter, $\xi_1$	$498^{+4}_{-38}$
	Norm <sub>1</sub>	$2.2^{+0.1}_{-0.3} \times 10^{-8}$
	Ionization parameter, $\xi_2$	$20.5^{+0.3}_{-1.1}$
	Norm <sub>2</sub>	$5.9^{+0.3}_{-0.9} \times 10^{-6}$
	$F_{\text{RDC}}$	$41.0^{+1.3}_{-3.7}$
$\chi^2/d.o.f.$		3633/2892

- ❖ rapid-spinning black hole
- ❖ high iron abundance
- ❖ no absorptions

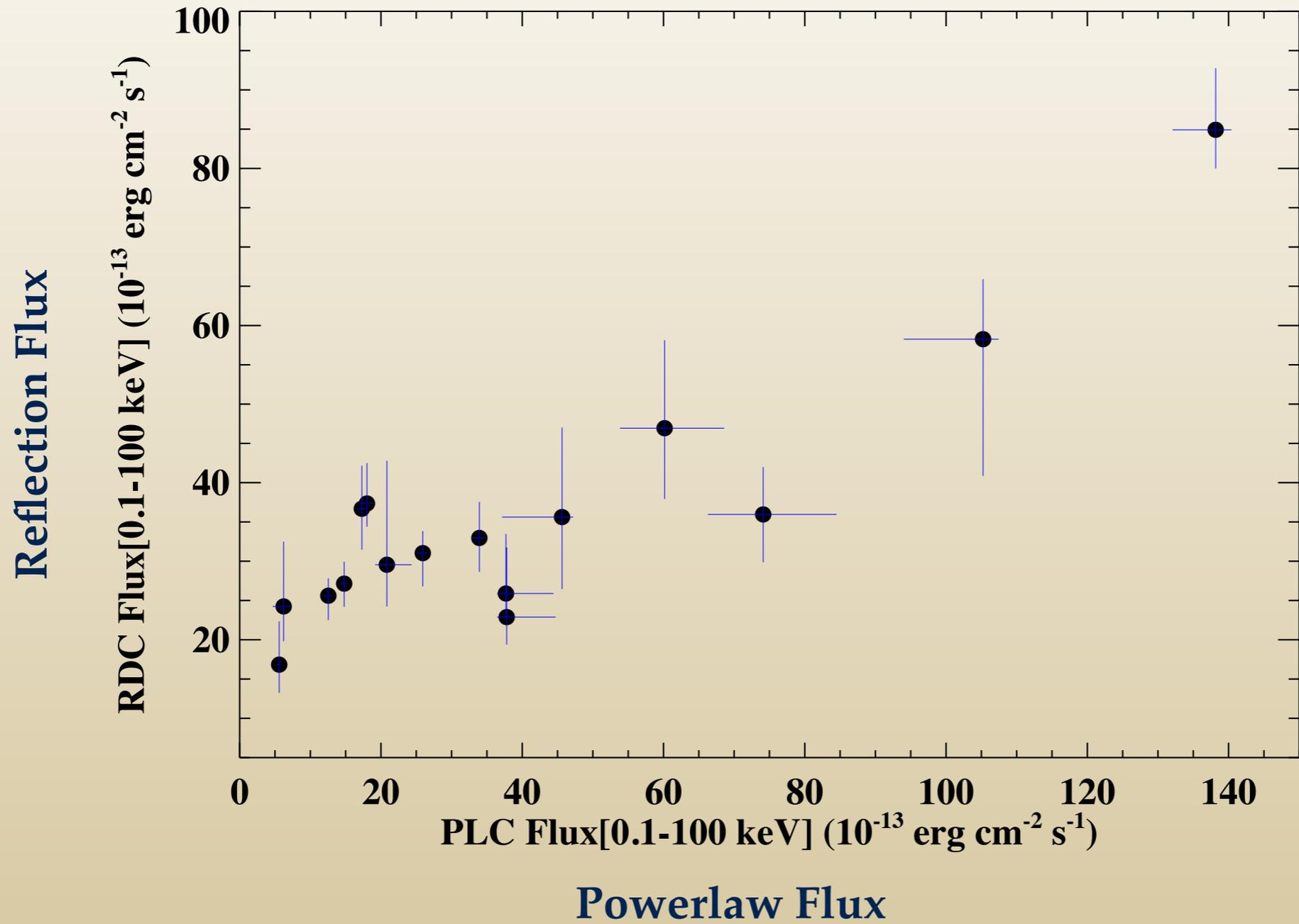
Chiang et al. (2015)

# Time-resolved Spectra

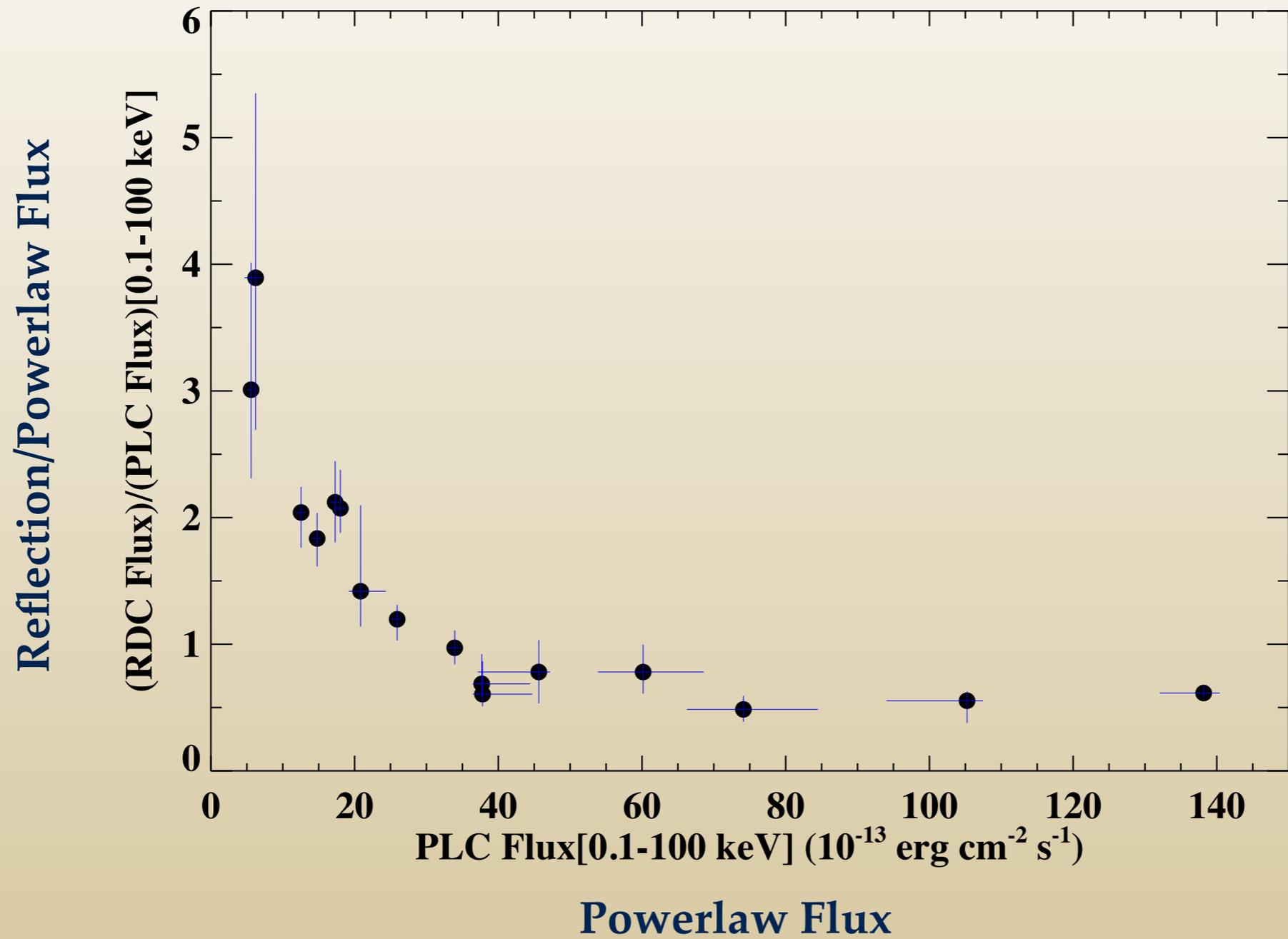


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# Powerlaw vs. Reflection



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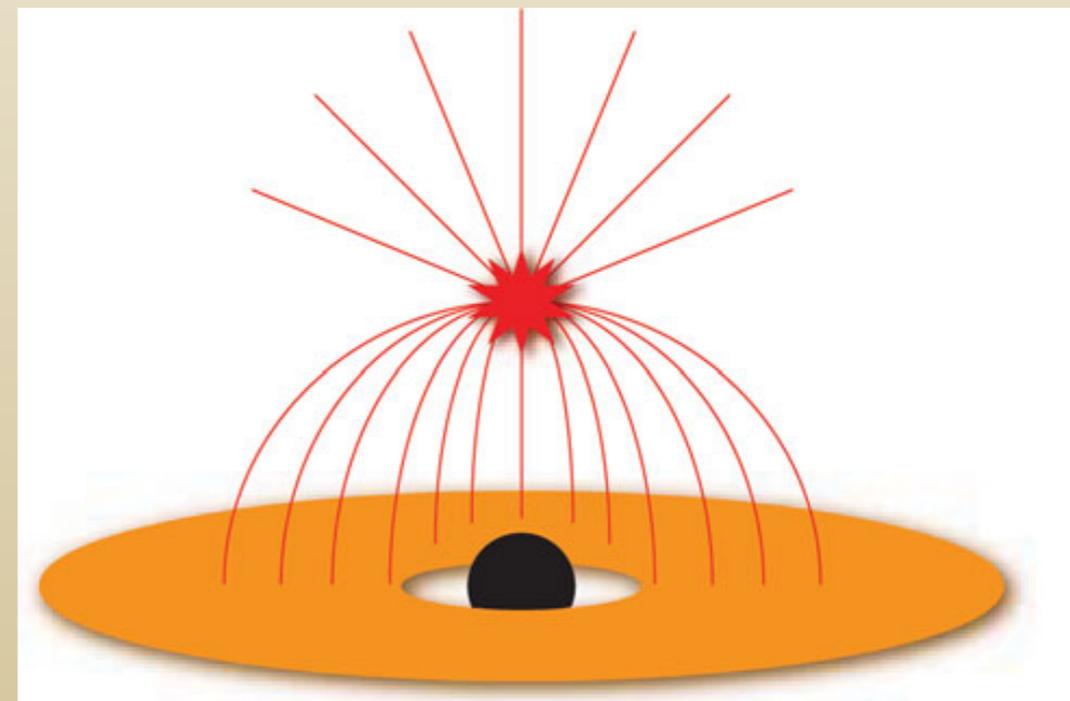
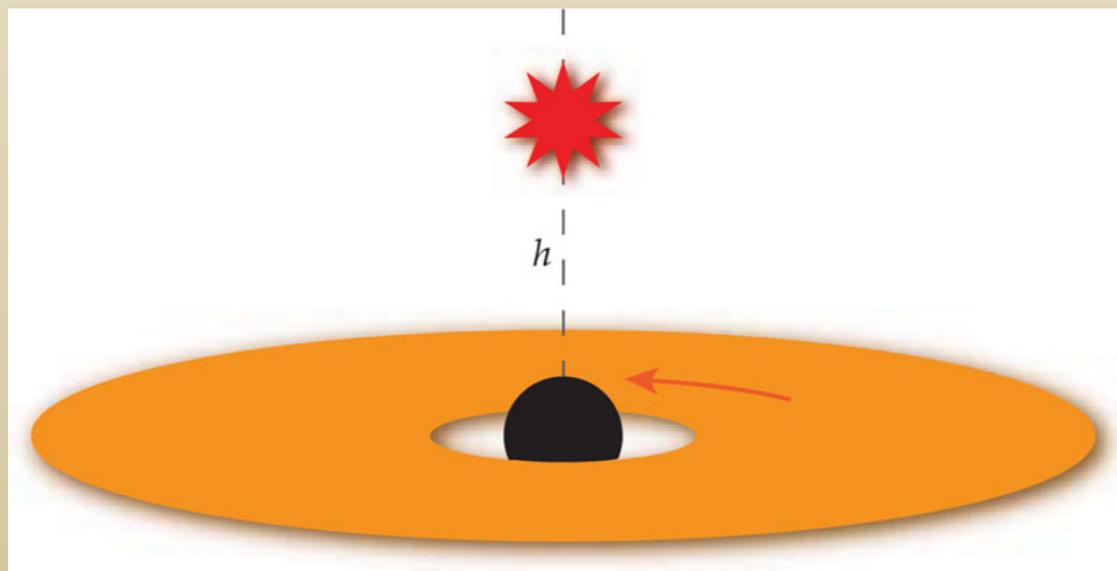


# Emissivity Profile

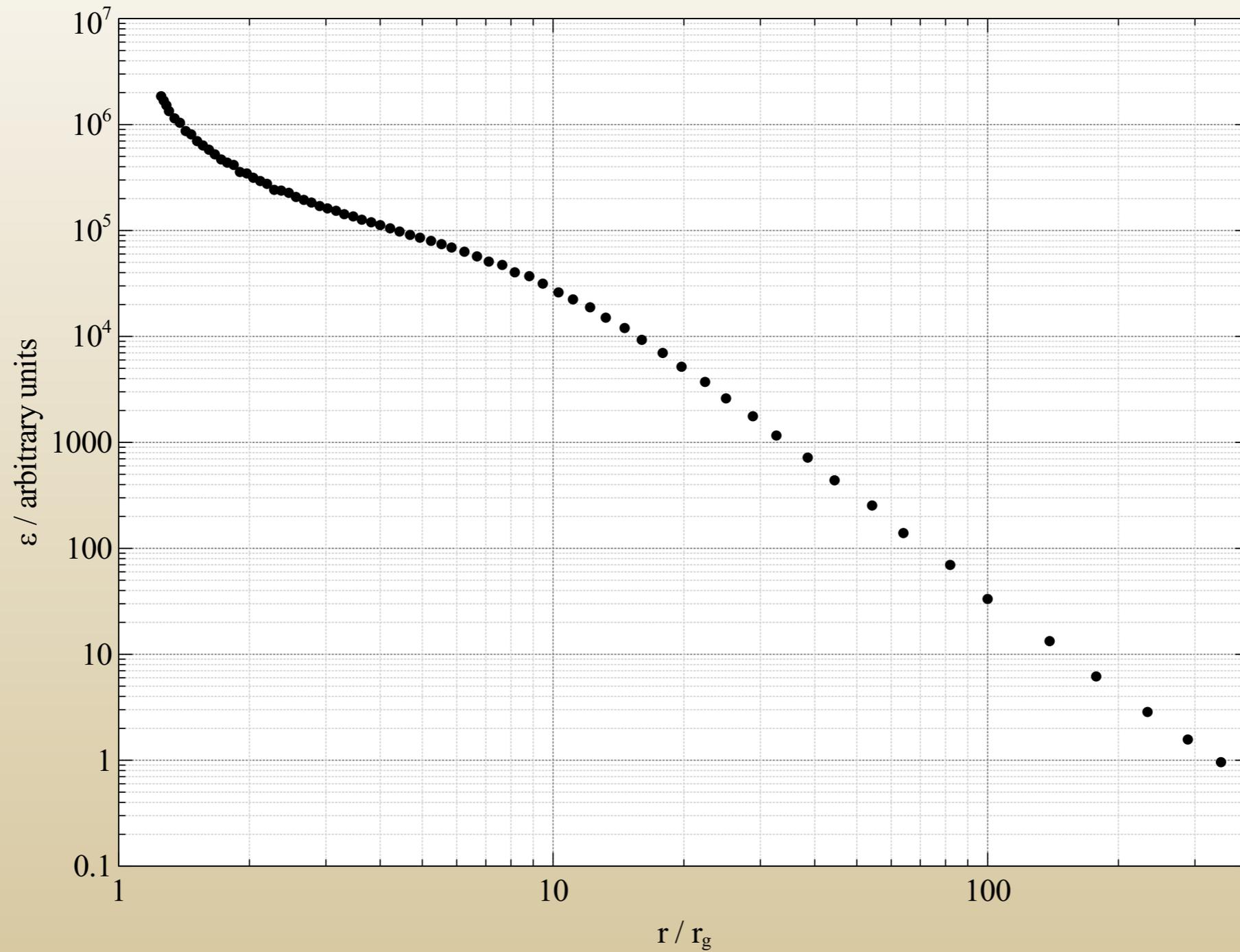
- ❖ illumination pattern of accretion disc
- ❖ reveals the reflected power per unit area

$$\varepsilon(r) = r^{-q}$$

- ❖  $q = 3$  if relativistic effects are not included

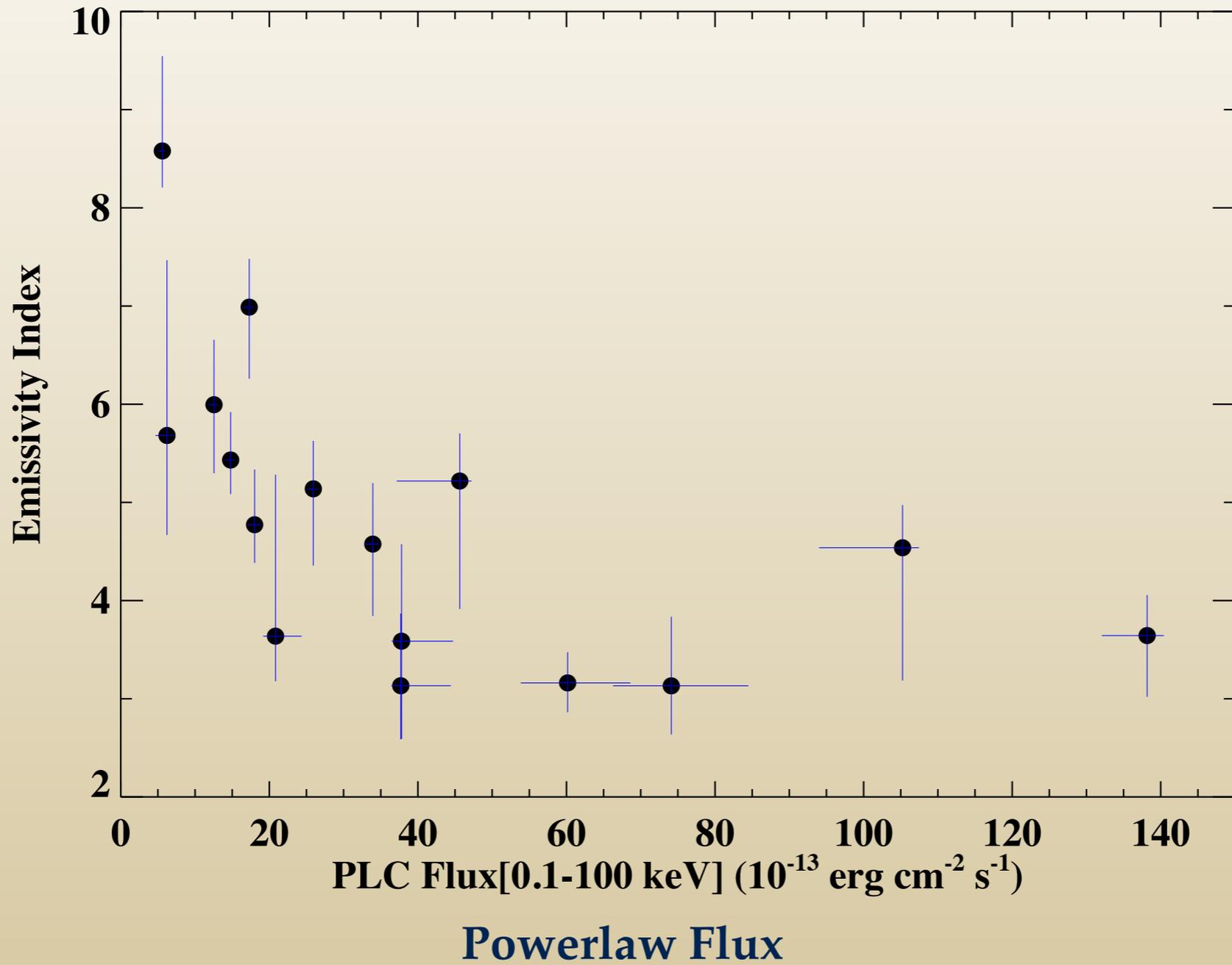


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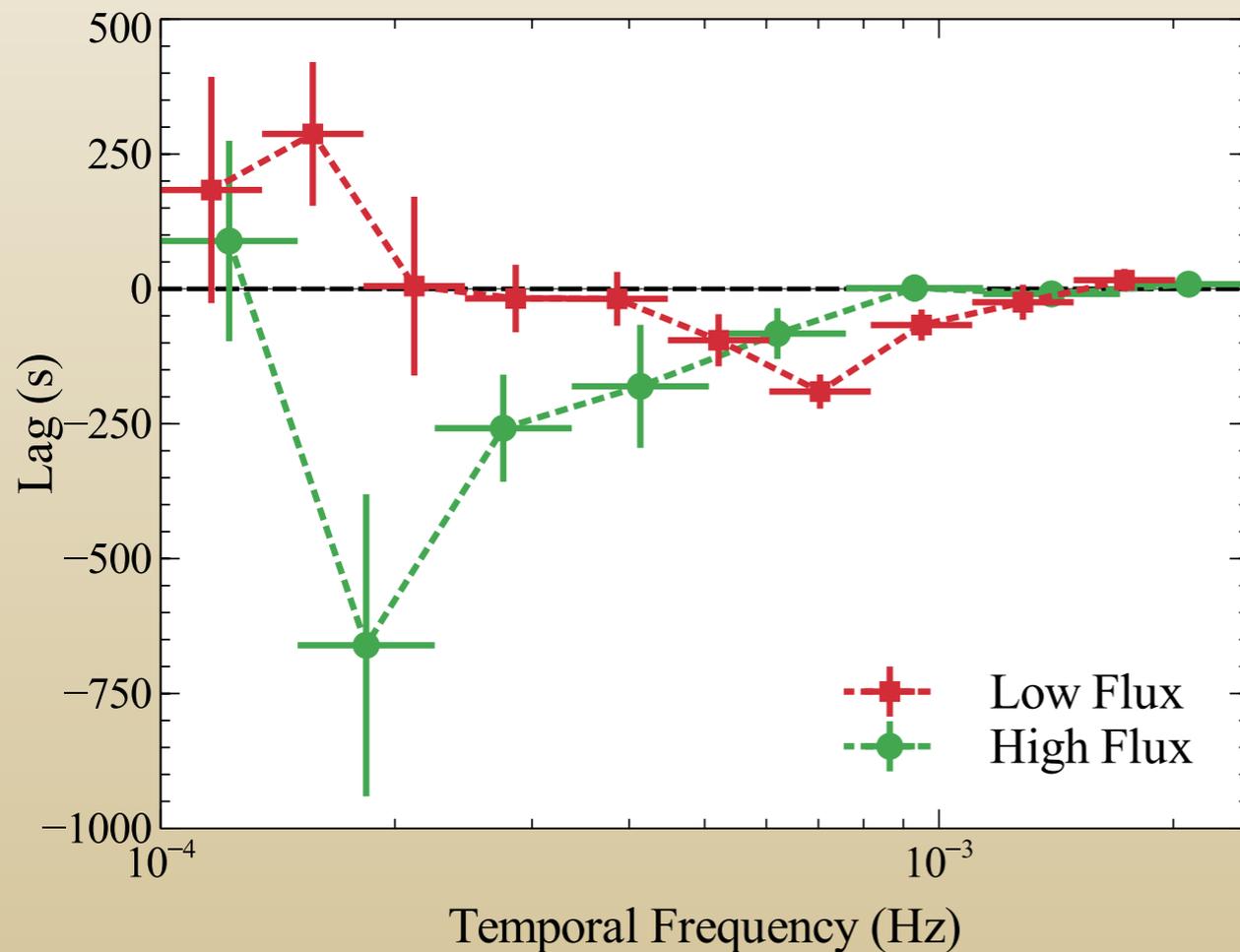
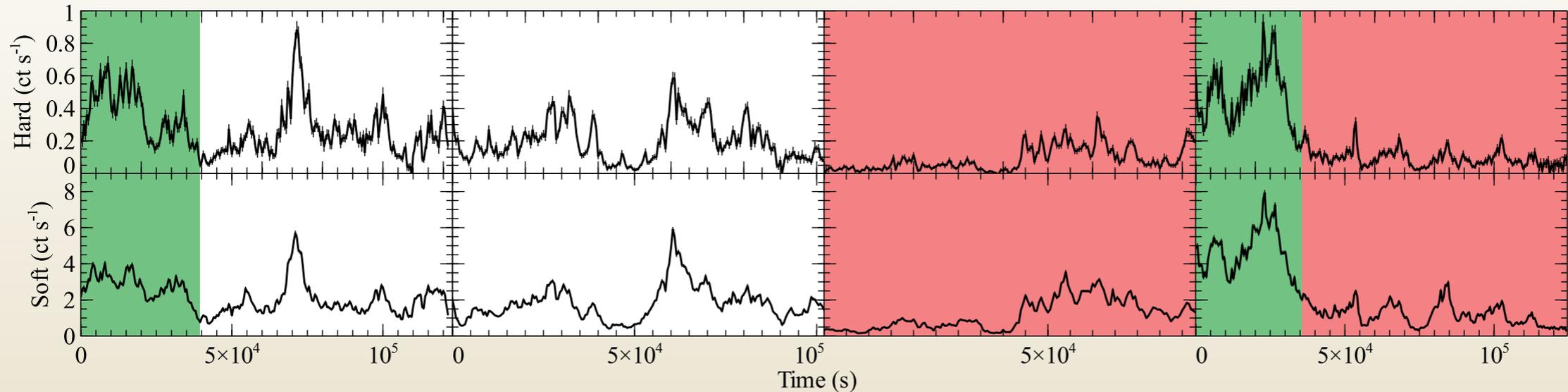


source at  $h = 10 R_G$ , Wilkins & Fabian (2012)

# Emissivity Evolution



# Lags from different bands

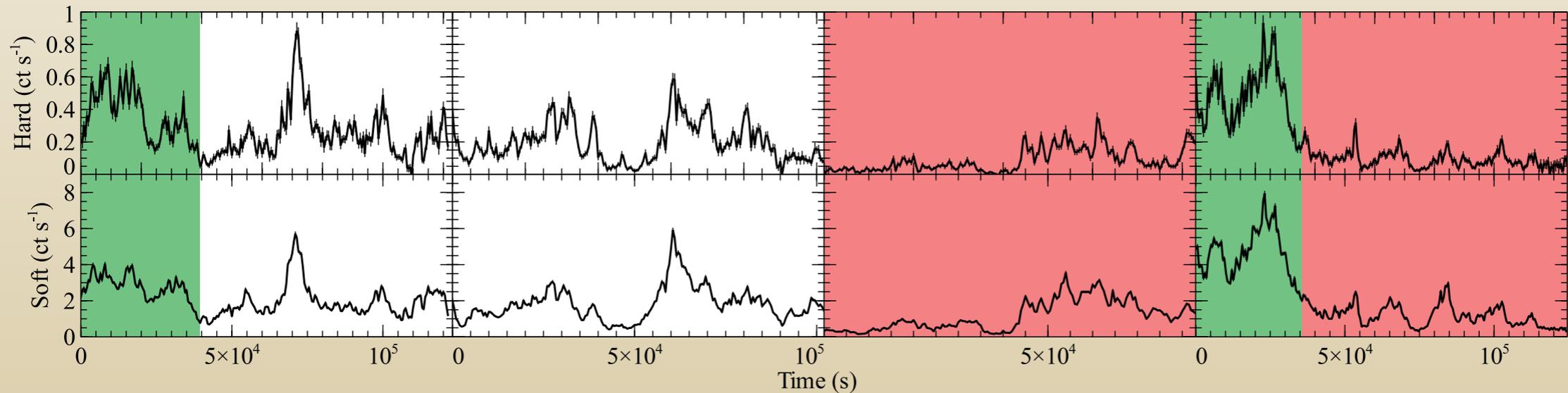
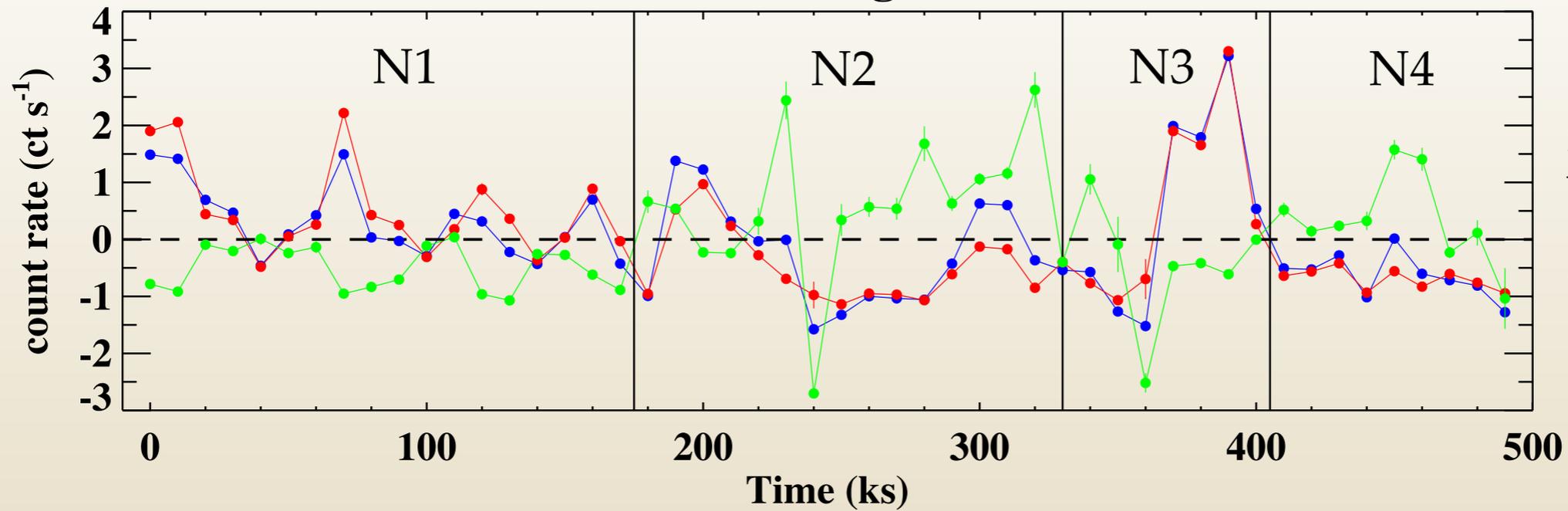


- ✧ hard (1.2-5.0 keV); soft (0.3-1.0 keV)
- ✧ soft lag of hard band occurs on longer time scales
- ✧ corona more **vertically extended** during high-flux states

Kara et al. (2013)

# Period selection

## Normalized Light Curves



N1 & N3 ~ high-flux states (green)  
N2 & N4 ~ low-flux states (red)  
in Kara et al. (2013)

# Time-resolved Spectra

Component	Parameter	Value			
		N1	N2	N3	N4
BBODY	$kT$ ( $10^{-2}$ keV)	$9.6 \pm 0.2$	$9.2^{+0.1}_{-0.2}$	$9.6 \pm 0.2$	$8.8 \pm 0.2$
	Norm	$3.9^{+0.3}_{-0.4} \times 10^{-5}$	$(4.0 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-5}$	$4.9^{+0.6}_{-0.2} \times 10^{-5}$	$(3.0 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-5}$
	$F_{\text{BB}}$	$32.4^{+2.2}_{-2.7}$	$33.4^{+0.9}_{-0.4}$	$41.3^{+3.2}_{-2.1}$	$25.2^{+0.8}_{-0.4}$
POWERLAW	$\Gamma$	2.69	2.63	2.80	2.63
	Norm	$(5.3 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-4}$	$(2.2 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-4}$	$7.4^{+0.2}_{-0.1} \times 10^{-4}$	$(1.4 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-4}$
	$F_{\text{PLC}}$	$59.3^{+2.0}_{-3.4}$	$23.4 \pm 0.4$	$93.7^{+1.6}_{-7.3}$	$14.5^{+0.3}_{-0.5}$
RELCONV	$q$	$3.8^{+0.4}_{-0.5}$	$4.9 \pm 0.2$	$4.1^{+0.4}_{-0.6}$	$5.8^{+0.3}_{-0.4}$
EXTENDX	$\xi_1$	$530 \pm 70$	$500^{+10}_{-210}$	$830^{+190}_{-250}$	$500^{+100}_{-220}$
	Norm <sub>1</sub>	$1.4^{+0.5}_{-0.2} \times 10^{-8}$	$1.5^{+1.1}_{-0.2} \times 10^{-8}$	$1.5^{+0.7}_{-0.3} \times 10^{-8}$	$1.0^{+0.7}_{-0.1} \times 10^{-8}$
	$\mathcal{R}_1$	$\sim 0.27$	$\sim 0.43$	$\sim 0.30$	$\sim 0.32$
	Norm <sub>2</sub>	$4.6^{+1.5}_{-1.1} \times 10^{-6}$	$3.7^{+0.2}_{-0.3} \times 10^{-6}$	$9.9^{+1.0}_{-3.0} \times 10^{-6}$	$5.6^{+0.2}_{-0.4} \times 10^{-6}$
	$\mathcal{R}_2$	$\sim 0.11$	$\sim 0.13$	$\sim 0.13$	$\sim 0.33$
	$F_{\text{RDC}}$	$36.5^{+5.8}_{-5.0}$	$29.8^{+0.6}_{-2.0}$	$69.9^{+6.2}_{-12.2}$	$27.2^{+2.8}_{-2.0}$
	$\chi^2/d.o.f.$	1646/1475	1570/1225	1426/1194	1027/863

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$$\xi = L_{\text{ion}}/nR^2$$

The corona is likely more **radially-extended** during high-flux states than low-flux states!

# Summary

- ❖ Relativistic reflection model can explain the X-ray spectra of most AGN, including extreme sources.
- ❖ source geometry can be probed by combining results of timing and spectral analyses
- ❖ *1.5 Ms XMM-Newton data approved!*

Thank you very much  
for your attention!