

High-energy monitoring of Seyfert galaxies: the case of NGC 5548 and NGC 4593

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NGC 5548

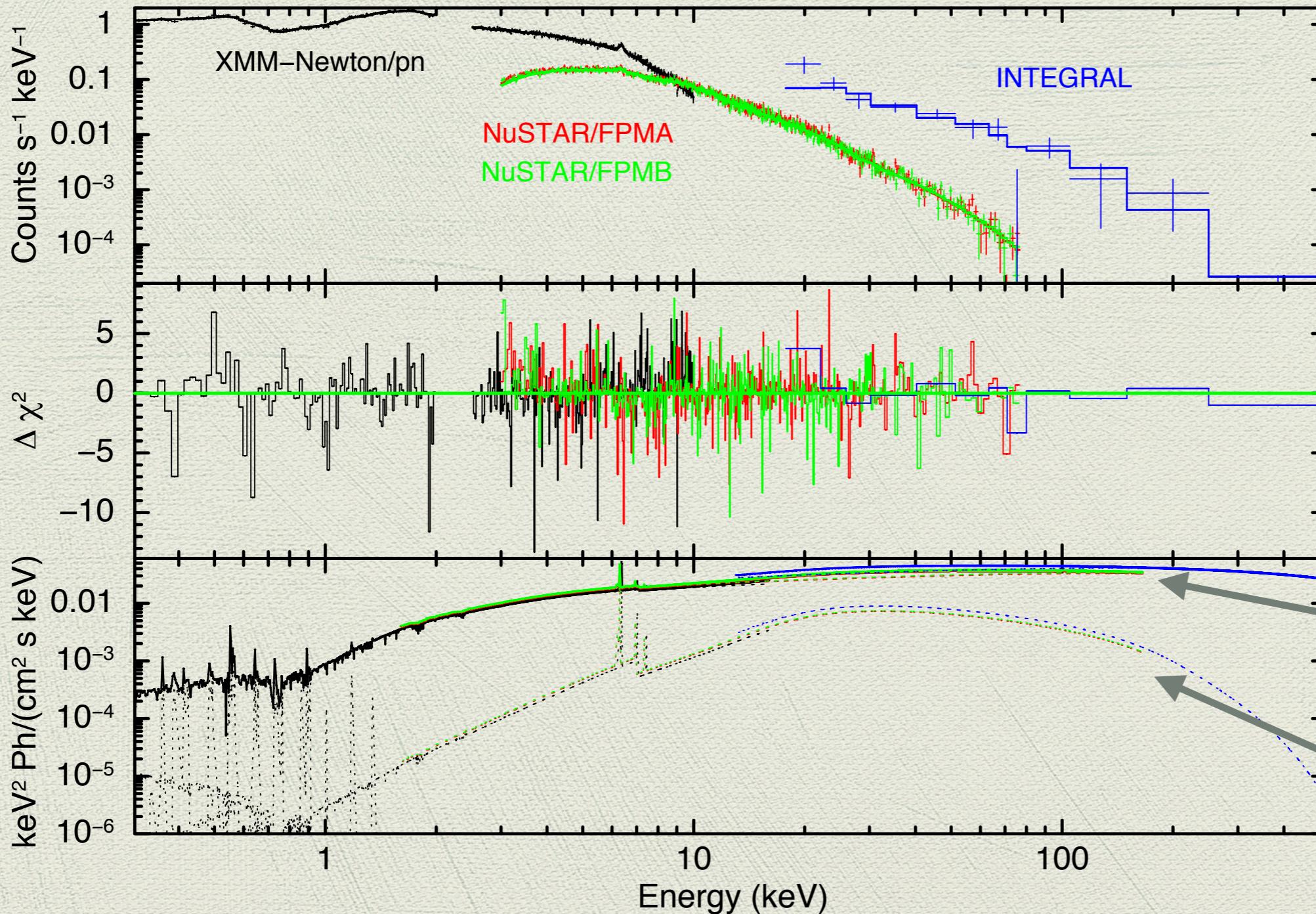
- Object of a multiwavelength campaign in 2013
- The nucleus appeared obscured by a clumpy stream of ionized gas - a disc wind? (Kaastra+15; see talk by M. Cappi)
- 7 high-energy observations with XMM, NuSTAR and INTEGRAL (Ursini+15)

The logs of the simultaneous *XMM-Newton*, *NuSTAR* and/or *INTEGRAL* observations of NGC 5548 during our campaign.

Obs.	Satellites	Obs. Id.	Start time (UTC) yyyy-mm-dd	Net exp. (ks)
1	<i>XMM-Newton</i>	0720110401	2013-06-30	38
	<i>INTEGRAL</i>	10700010001	2013-06-29	62
2	<i>XMM-Newton</i>	0720110601	2013-07-11	37
	<i>NuSTAR</i>	60002044002/3	2013-07-11	50
	<i>INTEGRAL</i>	10700010002	2013-07-11	50
3	<i>XMM-Newton</i>	0720110701	2013-07-15	37
	<i>INTEGRAL</i>	10700010003	2013-07-15	50
4	<i>XMM-Newton</i>	0720111101	2013-07-23	38
	<i>NuSTAR</i>	60002044005	2013-07-23	50
	<i>INTEGRAL</i>	10700010004	2013-07-23	52
5	<i>Chandra</i>	16314	2013-09-10	120
	<i>NuSTAR</i>	60002044006	2013-09-10	50
6	<i>XMM-Newton</i>	0720111501	2013-12-20	38
	<i>NuSTAR</i>	60002044008	2013-12-20	50
7	<i>XMM-Newton</i>	0720111601	2014-02-04	38
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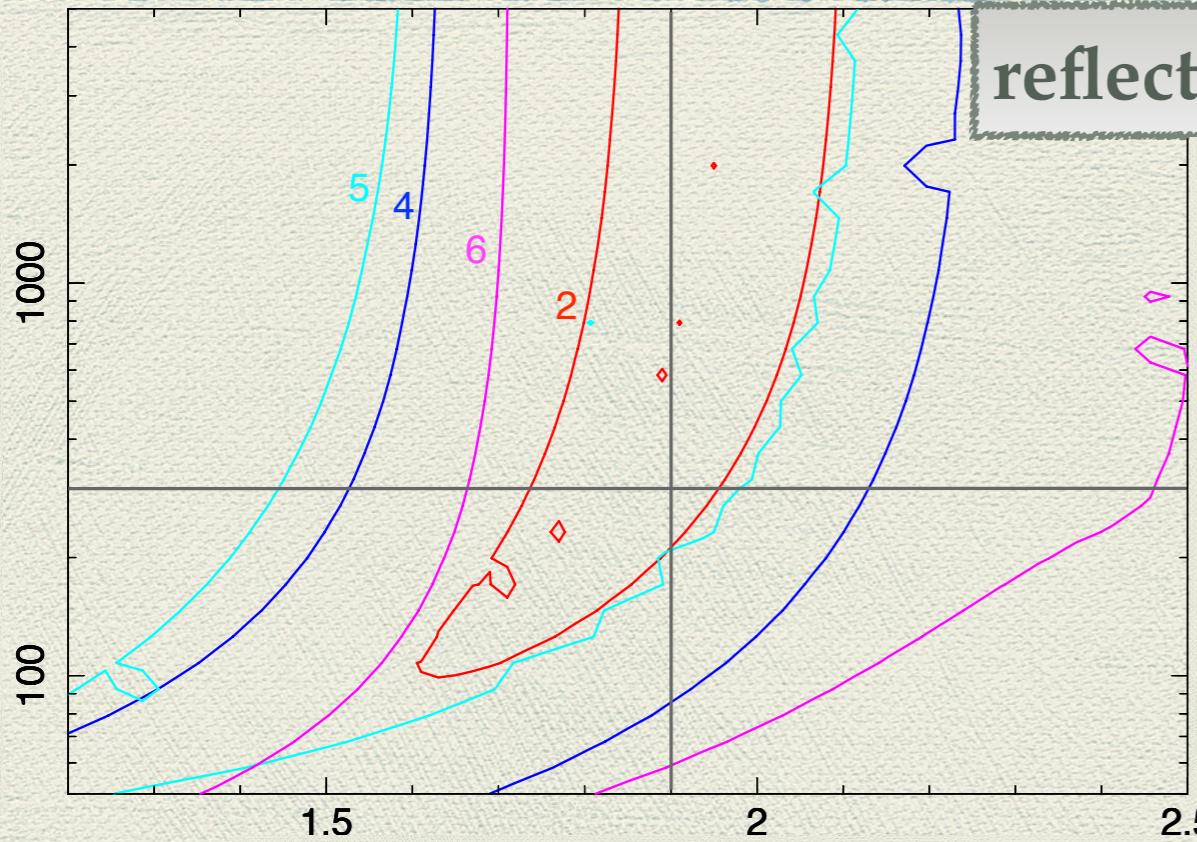
NGC 5548: high-energy view

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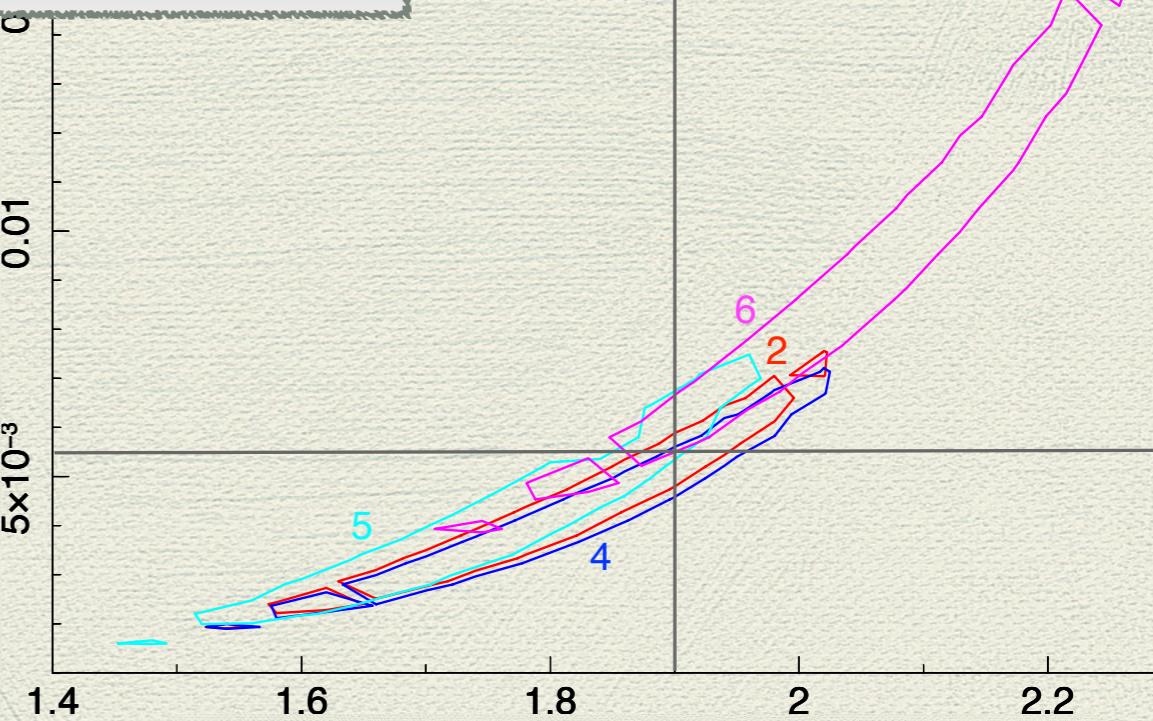
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on both
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reflection component

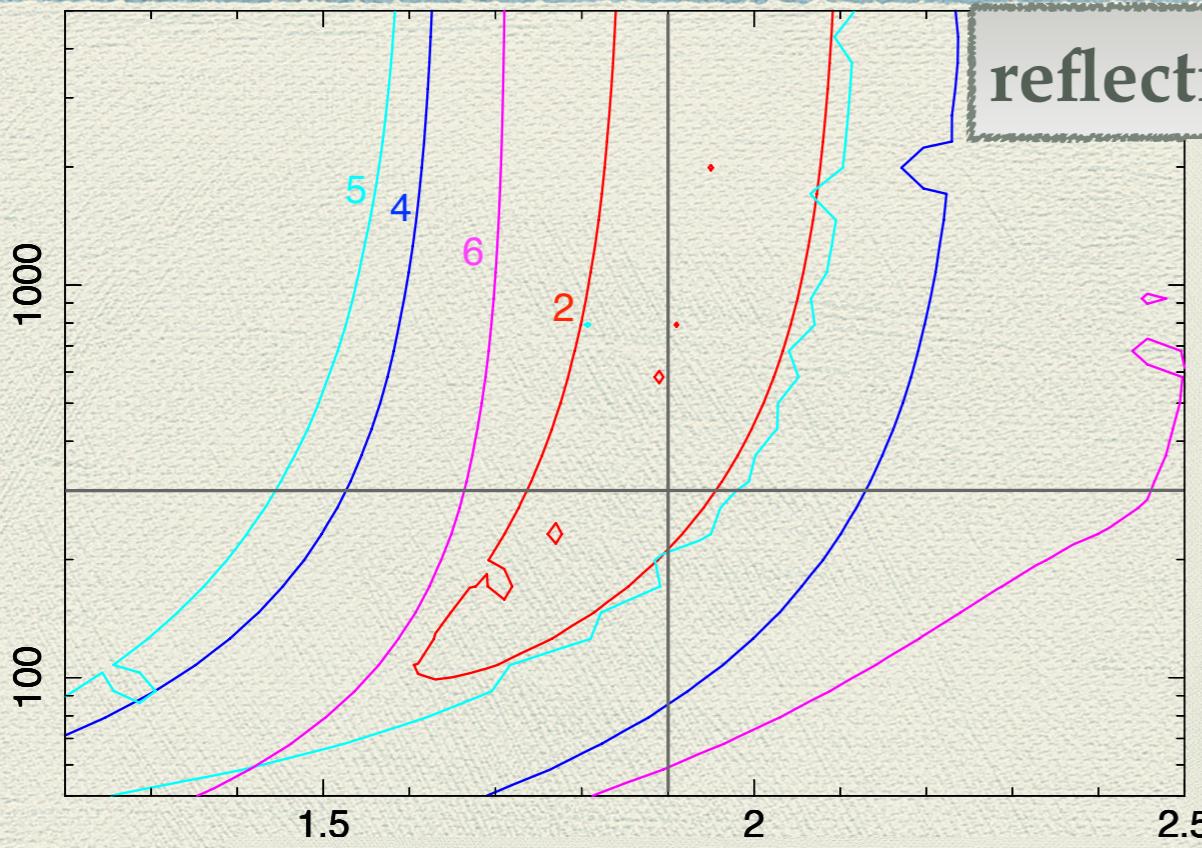
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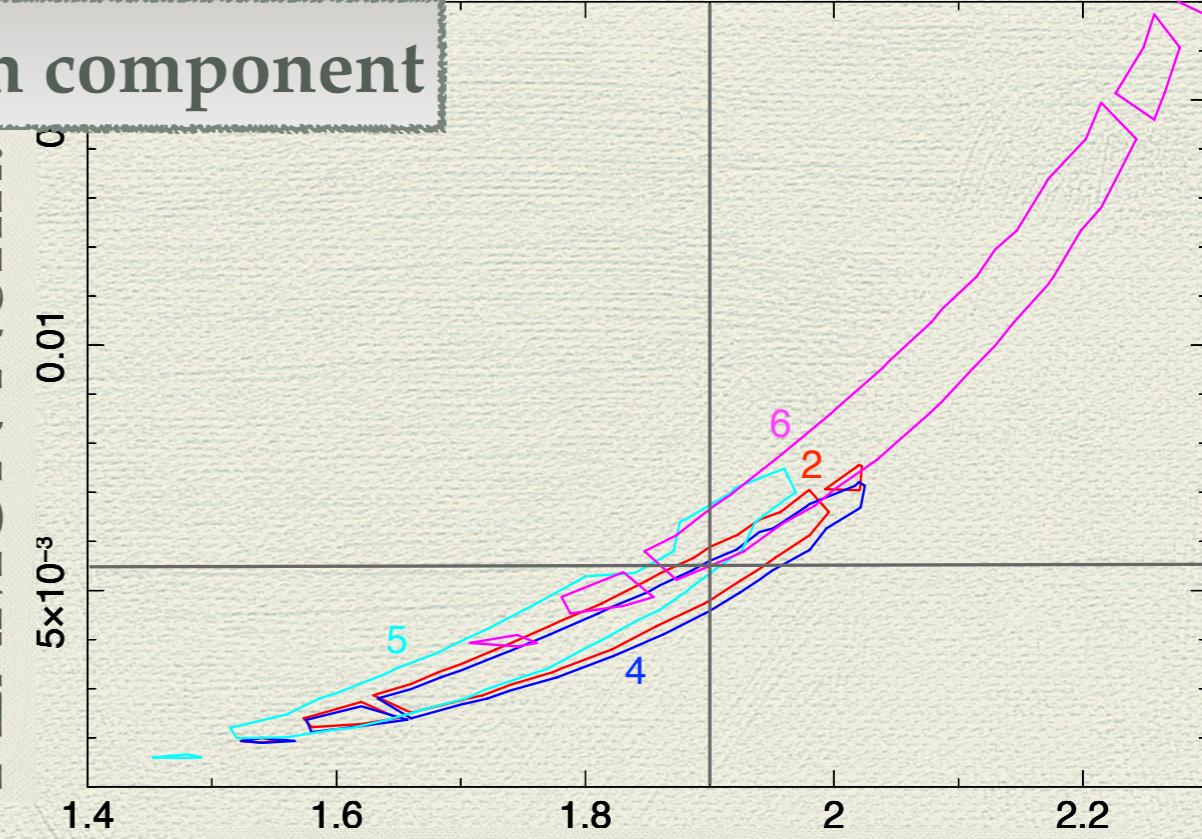
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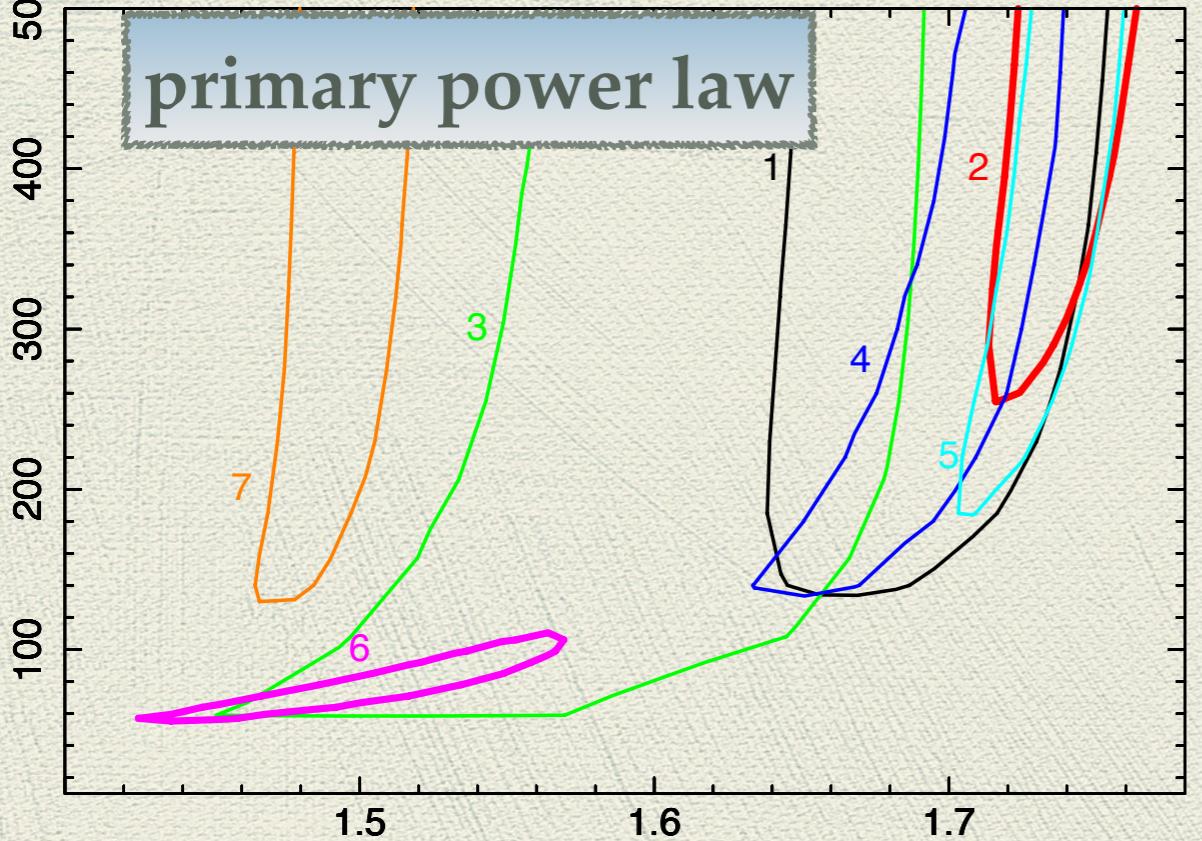
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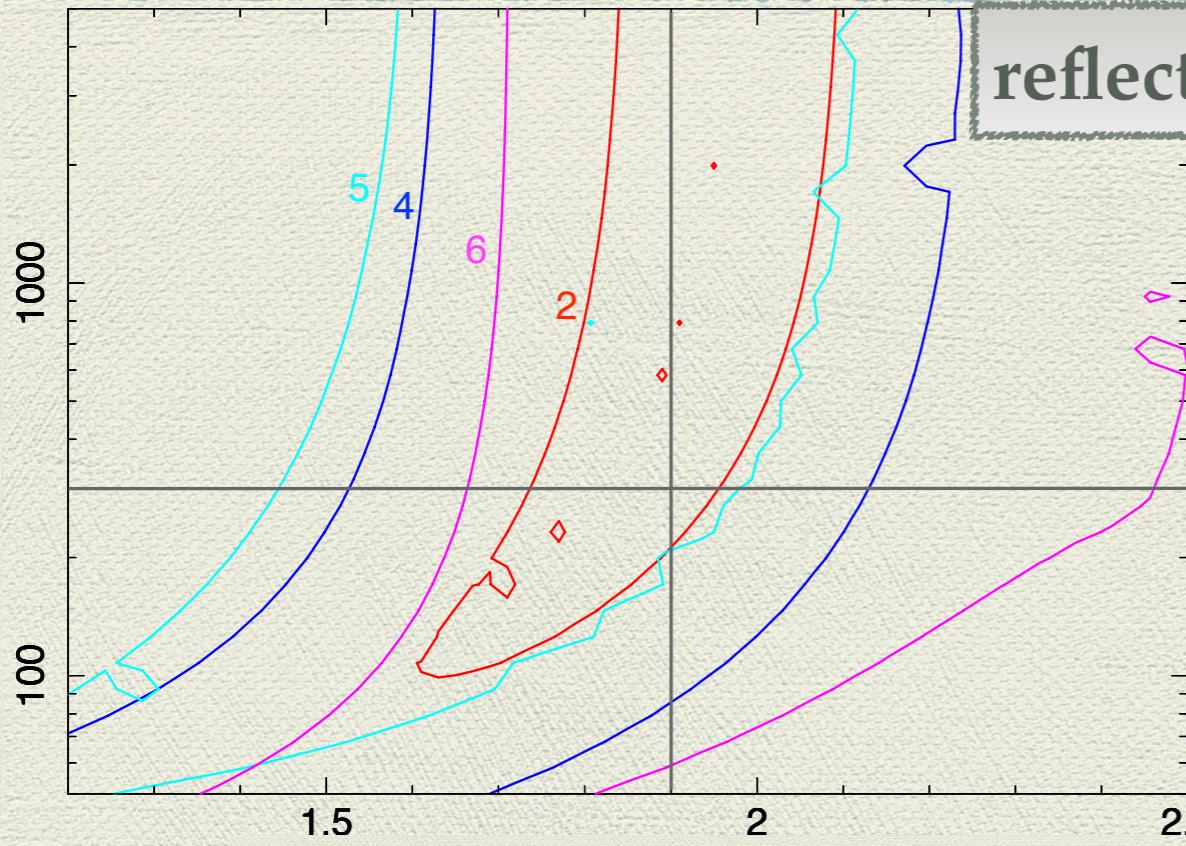
Cut-off energy (keV)



primary power law

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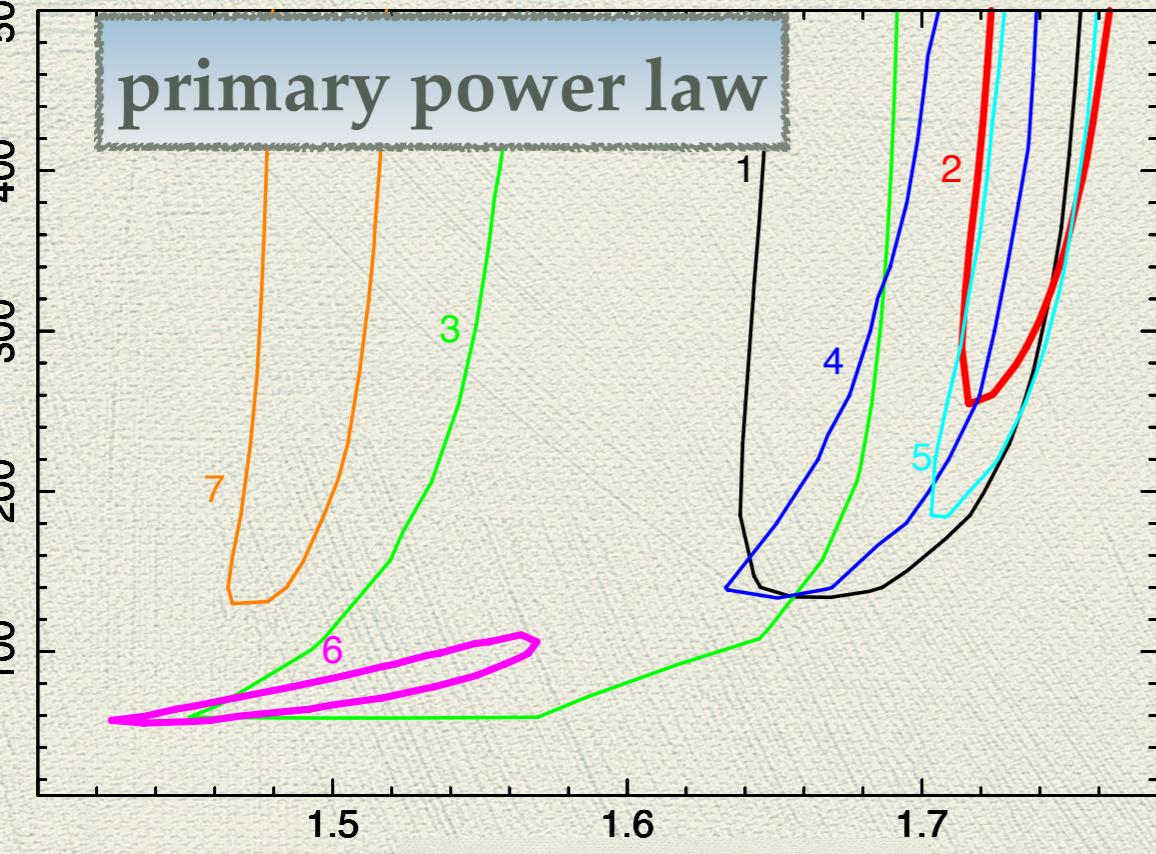
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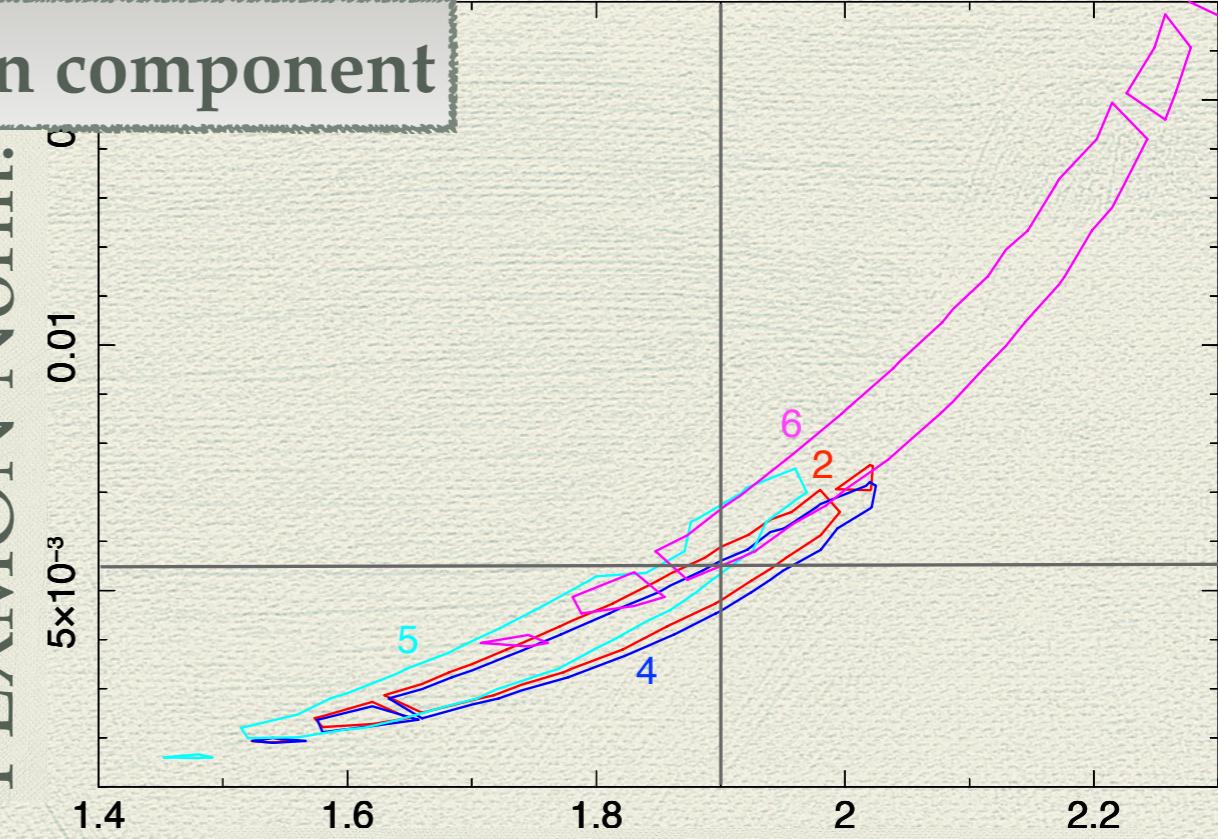
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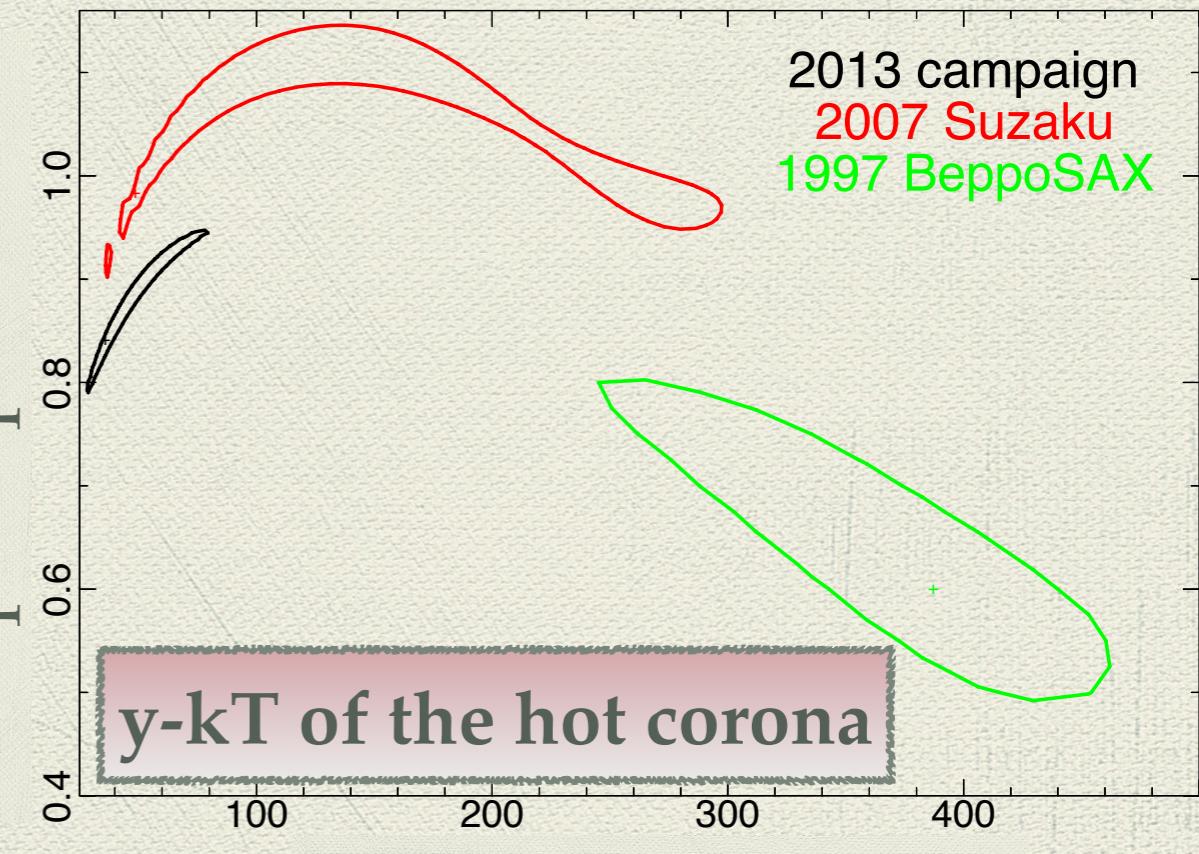
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Compton parameter



2013 campaign
2007 Suzaku
1997 BeppoSAX

y-kT of the hot corona

Temperature (keV)

NGC 4593: XMM/NuSTAR monitoring program

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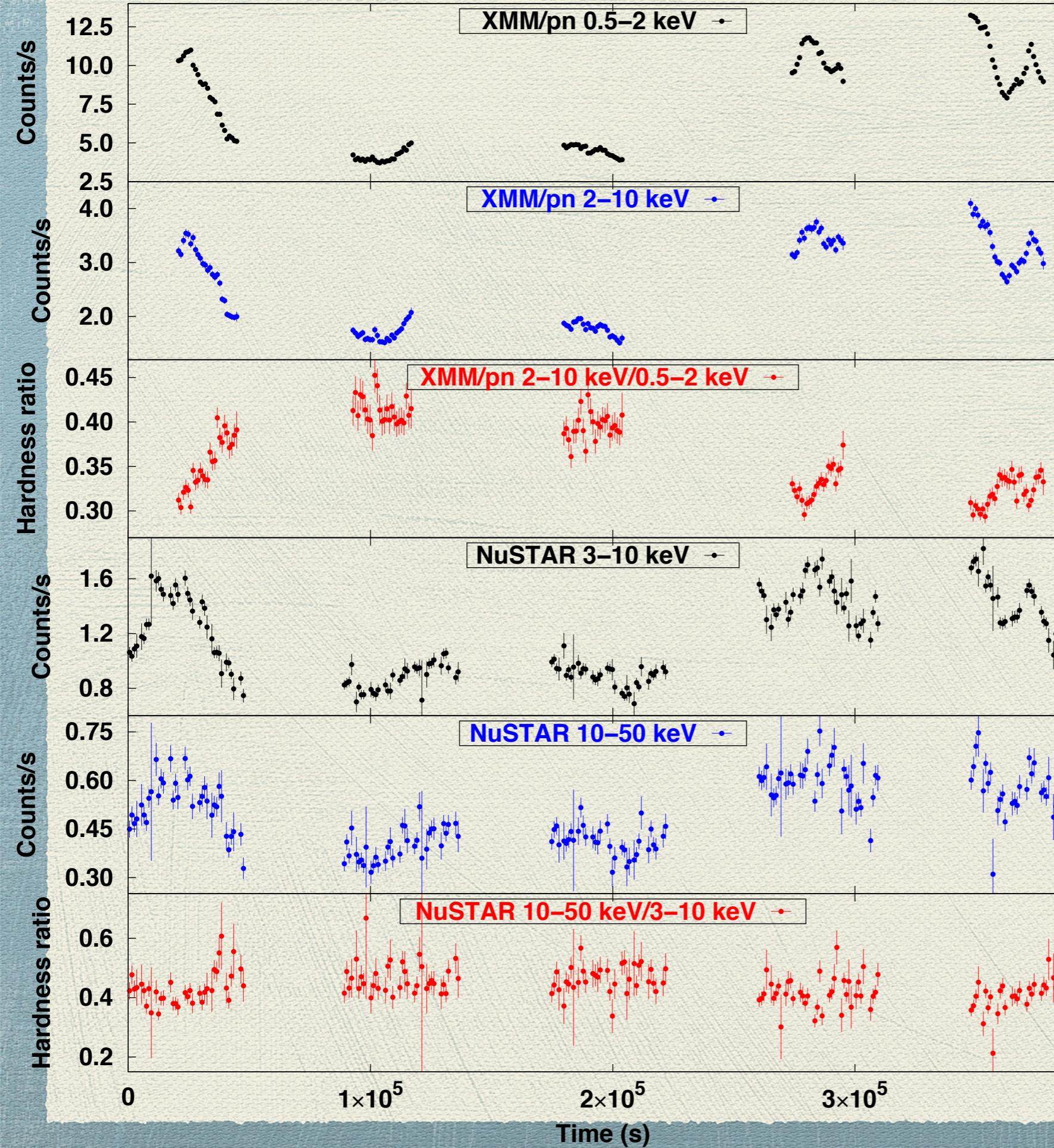
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5×20 ks joint observations in early 2015

The logs of the joint *XMM-Newton* and *NuSTAR* observations of NGC 4593.

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	<i>NuSTAR</i>	60001149002		22
2	<i>XMM-Newton</i>	0740920301	2014-12-31	17
	<i>NuSTAR</i>	60001149004		22
3	<i>XMM-Newton</i>	0740920401	2015-01-02	17
	<i>NuSTAR</i>	60001149006		21
4	<i>XMM-Newton</i>	0740920501	2015-01-04	15
	<i>NuSTAR</i>	60001149008		23
5	<i>XMM-Newton</i>	0740920601	2015-01-06	21
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XMM/pn and NuSTAR/FPMA+FPMB light curves and hardness ratios

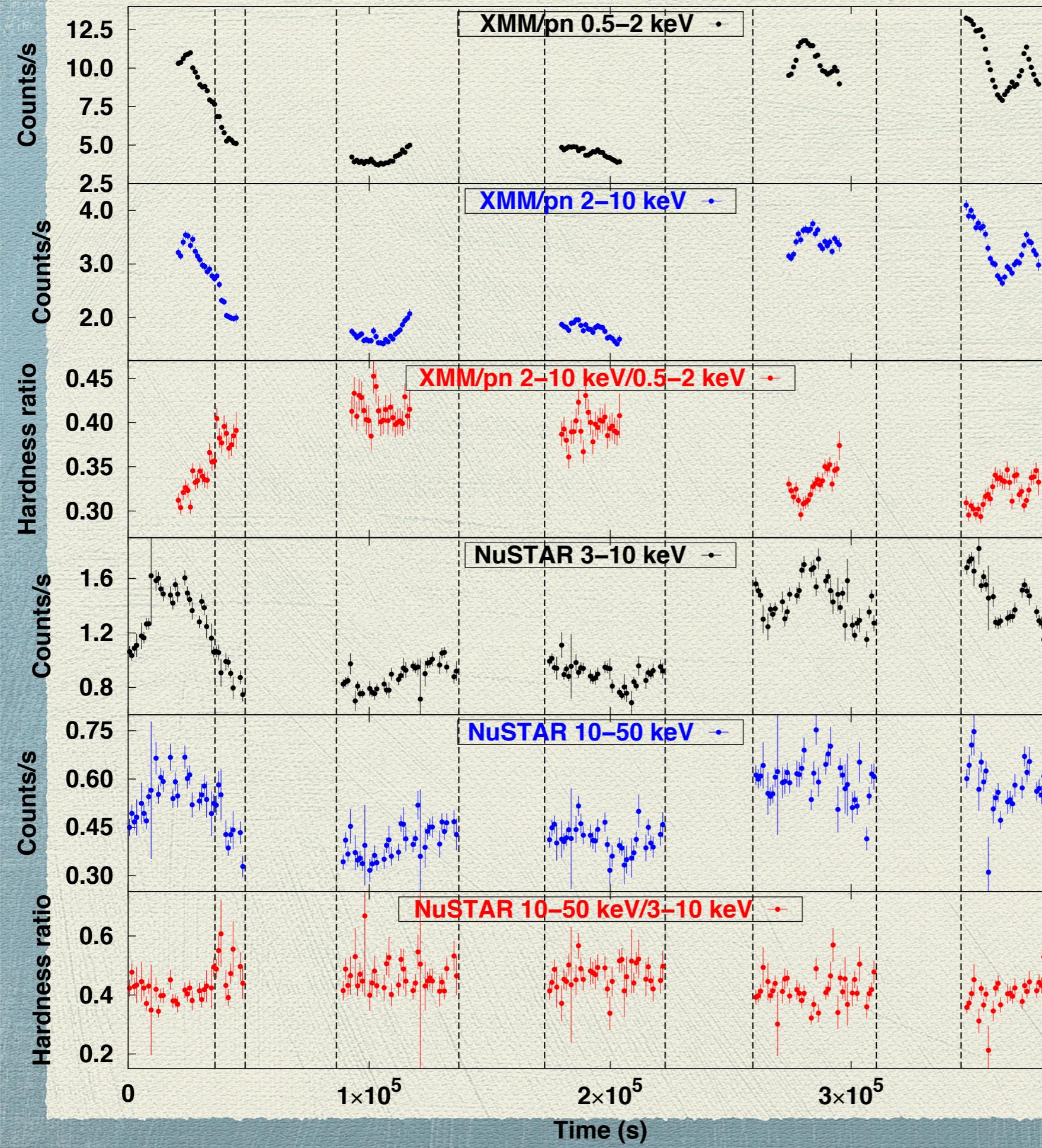


Significant flux variability

Significant spectral variability in the soft band (0.5-10 keV)

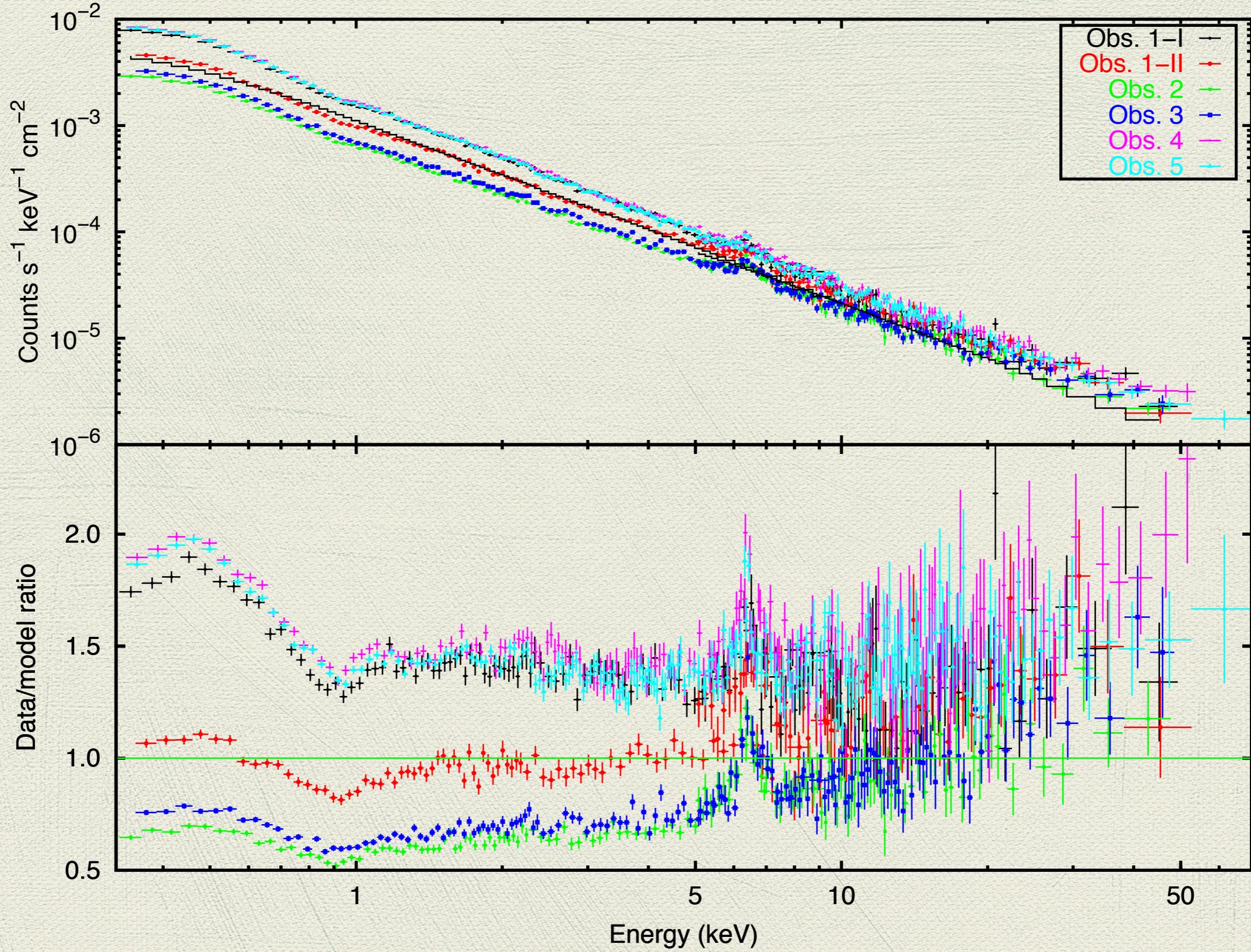
... not much in the hard band (3-50 keV)

XMM/pn and NuSTAR/FPMA+FPMB light curves and hardness ratios



Each spectrum is fitted separately;
we divide the first
observation into
two intervals

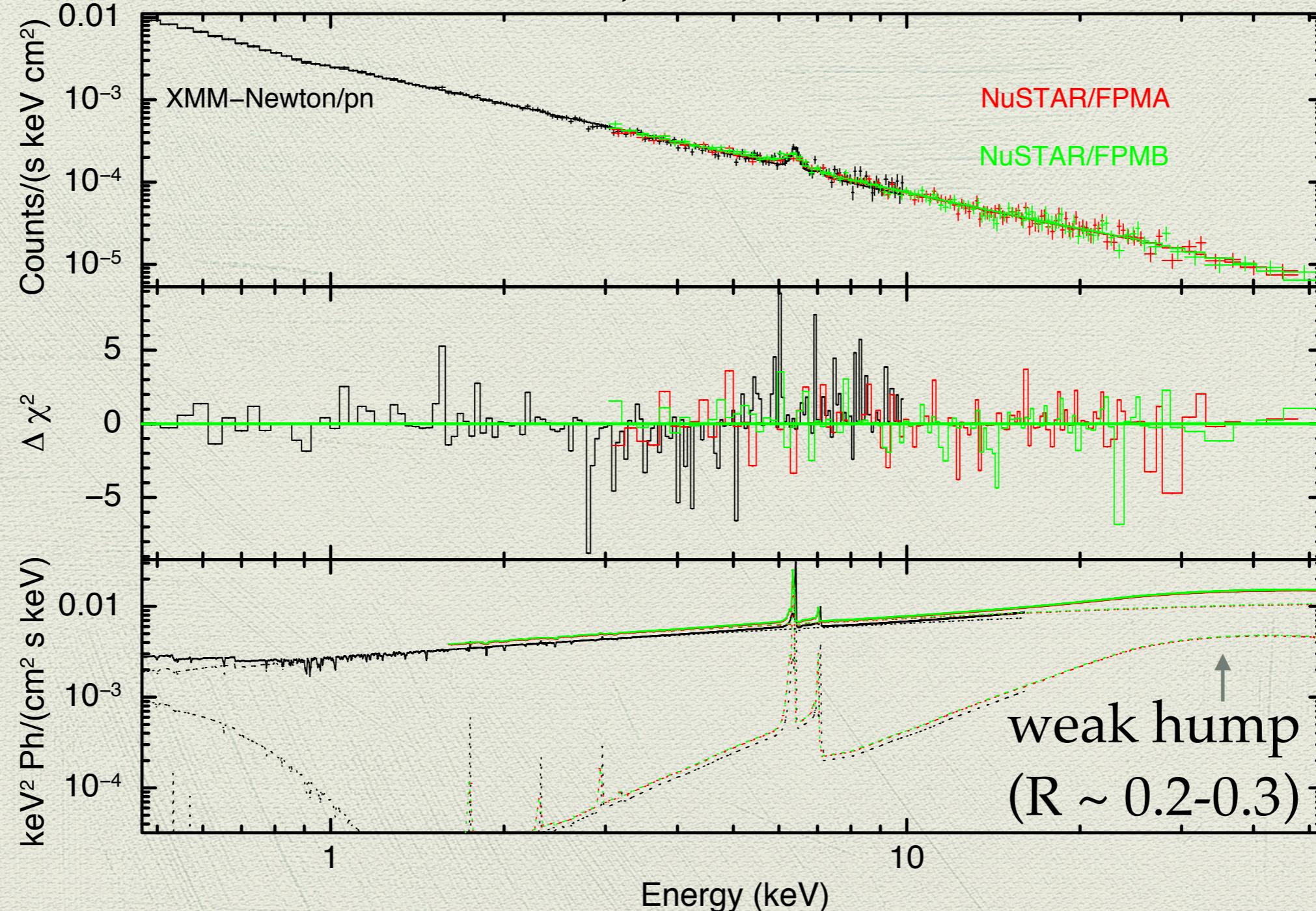
XMM/pn and NuSTAR/FPMA data fitted with a power law



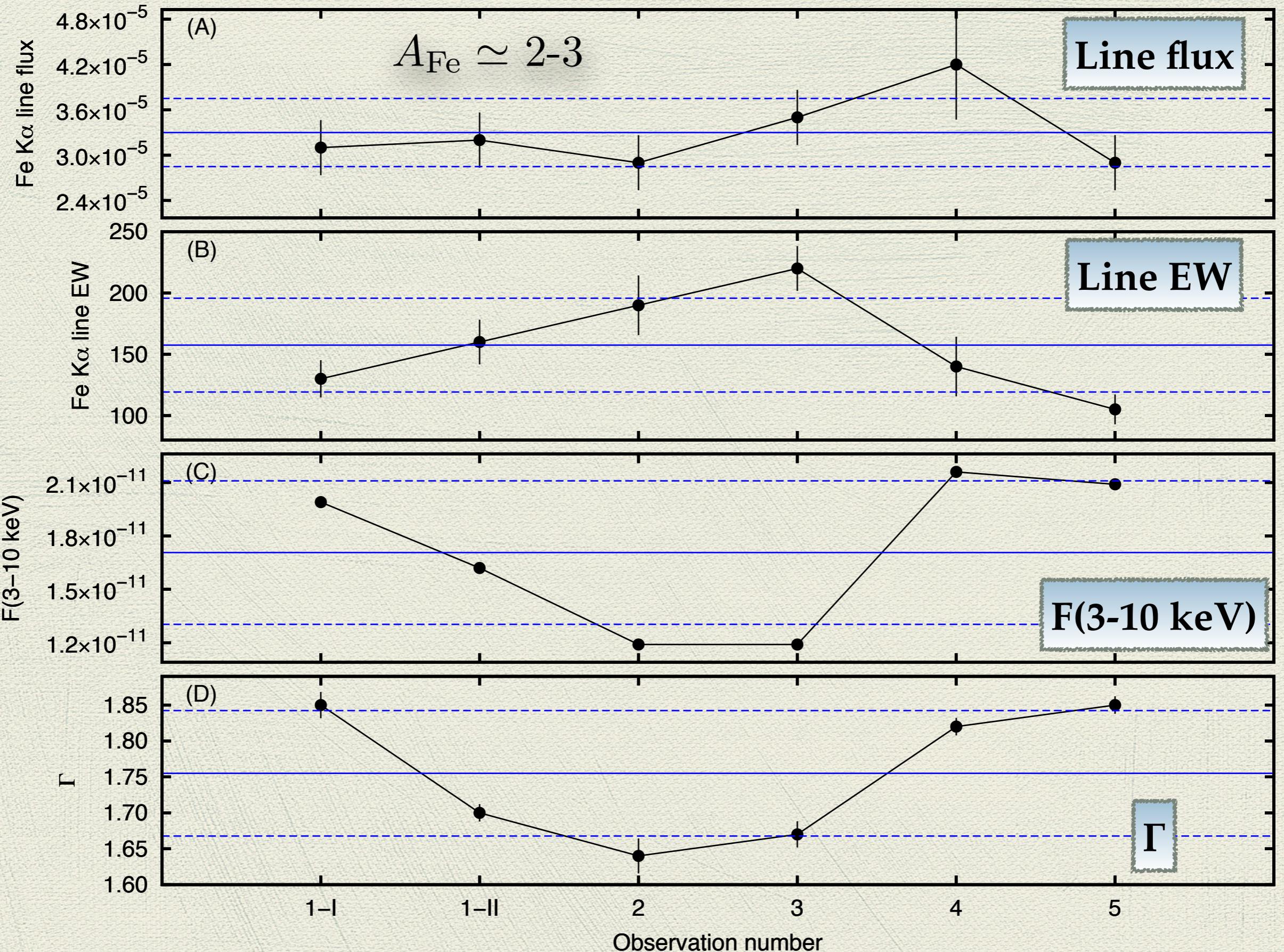
Baseline model:
warm abs.*(soft excess + cut-off power law + reflection)
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bbody

xillver
 A_{Fe} free

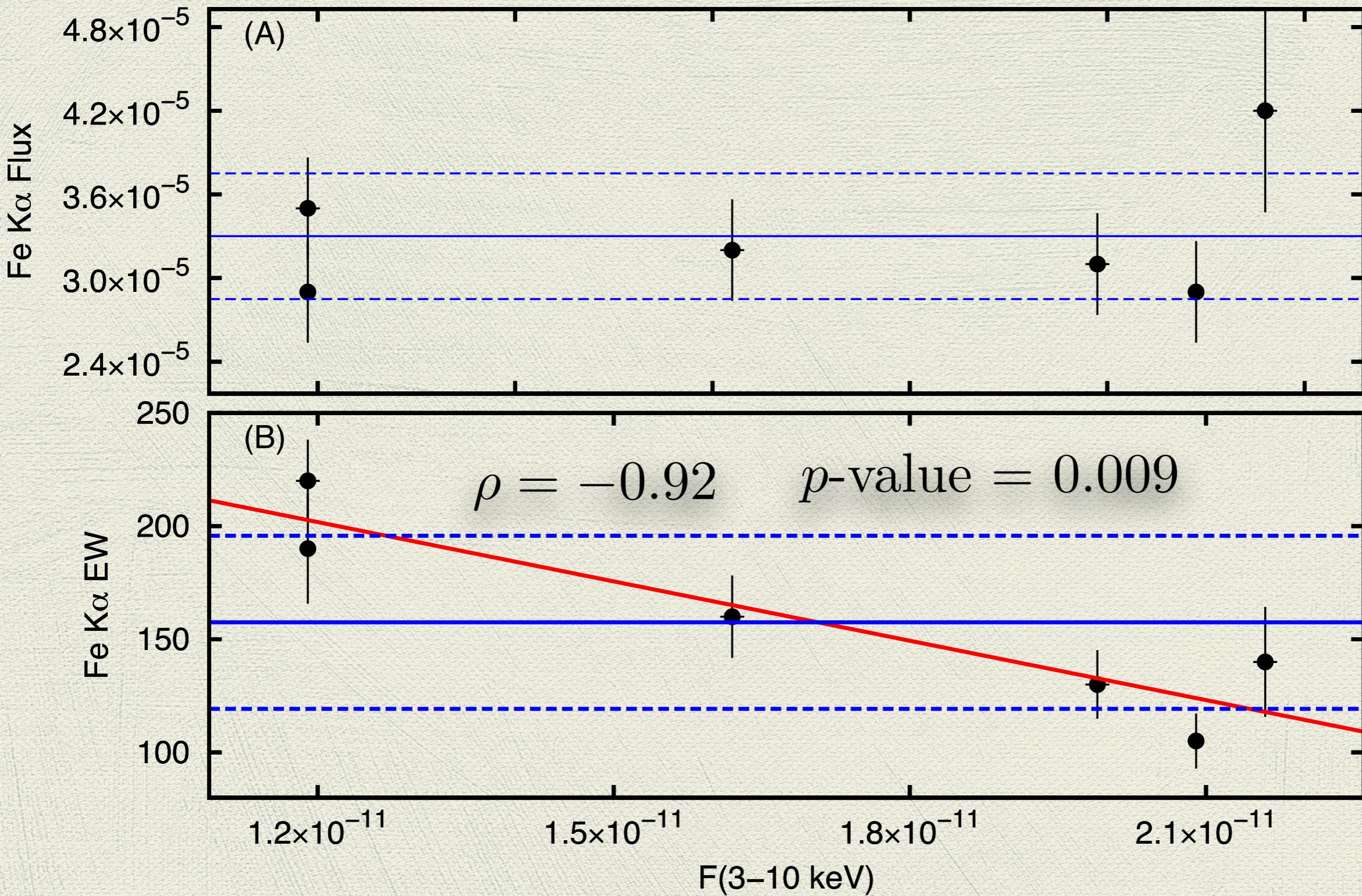
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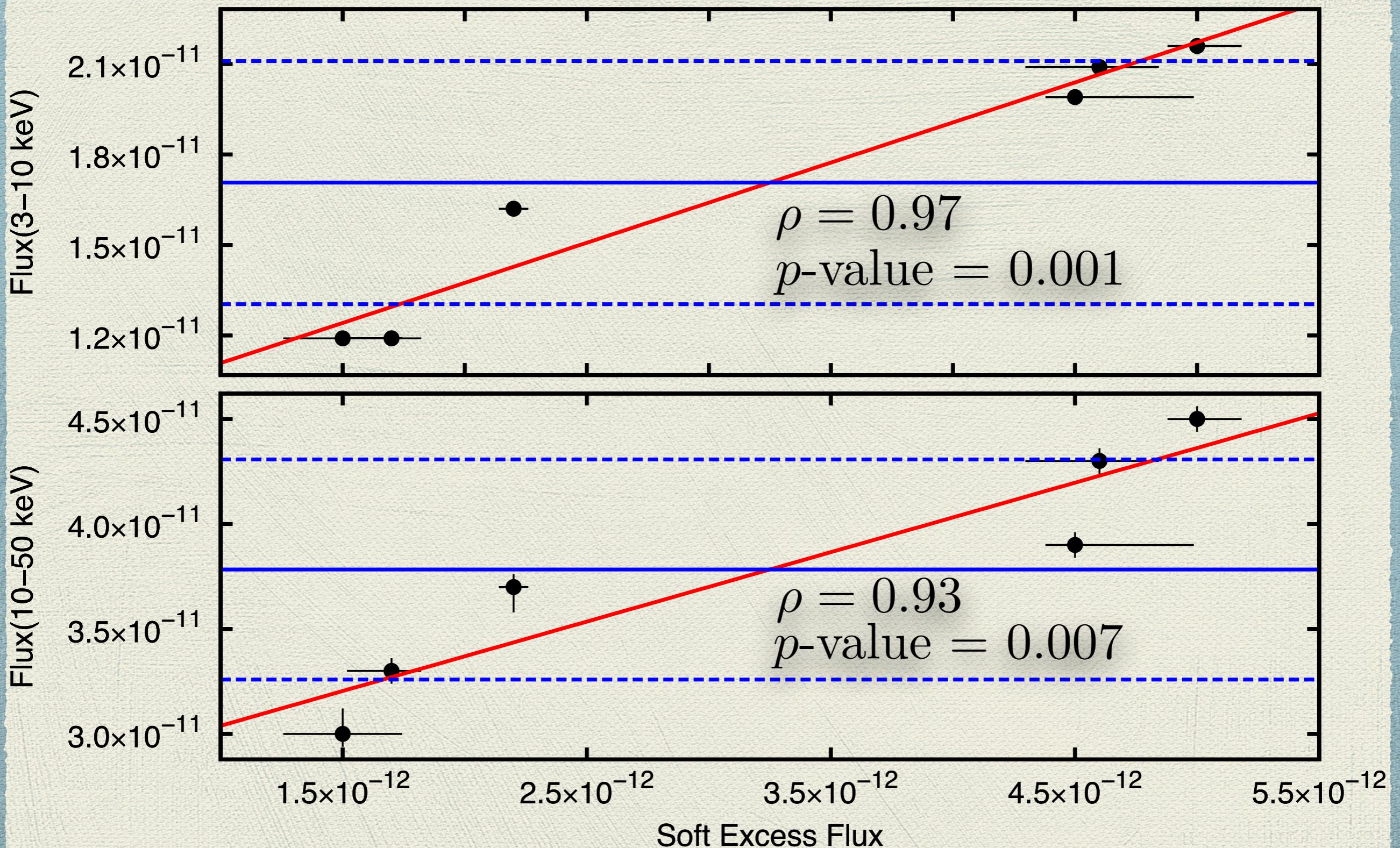
Fe K α line flux and EW, primary flux (3–10 keV), photon index



Anticorrelation between EW of the Fe K α line and primary flux



Correlation between soft excess and primary flux



Conclusions

NGC 5548 (see Kaastra+15; Mehdipour+15; Arav+15; Ursini+15; di Gesu+15)

- ◆ Distant reflector (\sim light months)
- ◆ Evidence of variable photon index and high-energy cut-off
- ◆ Temperature and optical depth of the hot corona show long-term (\sim 15 yrs) variability
- ◆ Next step: detailed test of Comptonization models

NGC 4593

- ◆ Strong spectral variability in the soft band on a time-scale of days
- ◆ Neutral Fe K α line:
 - ◆ flux \sim constant; equivalent width anticorrelated with primary flux
 - ◆ accompanied by a weak reflection hump \Rightarrow two line components?
- ◆ Soft excess below 1 keV correlated with the primary emission
- ◆ Work in progress!