

XMM-Newton 2010 Science Workshop

*Six years of  
XMM-Newton observations of  
NGC 1313 X-1 and X-2*

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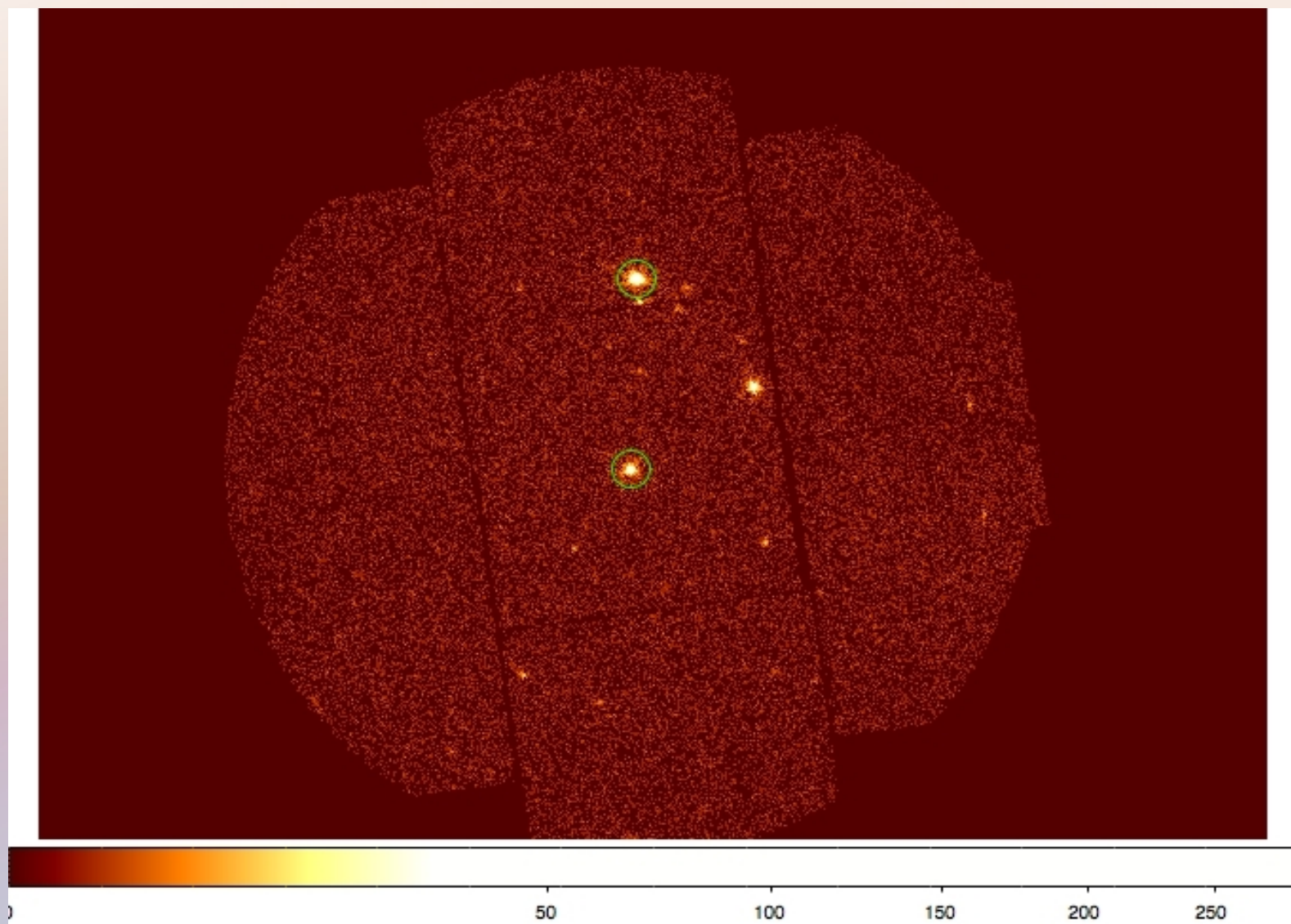
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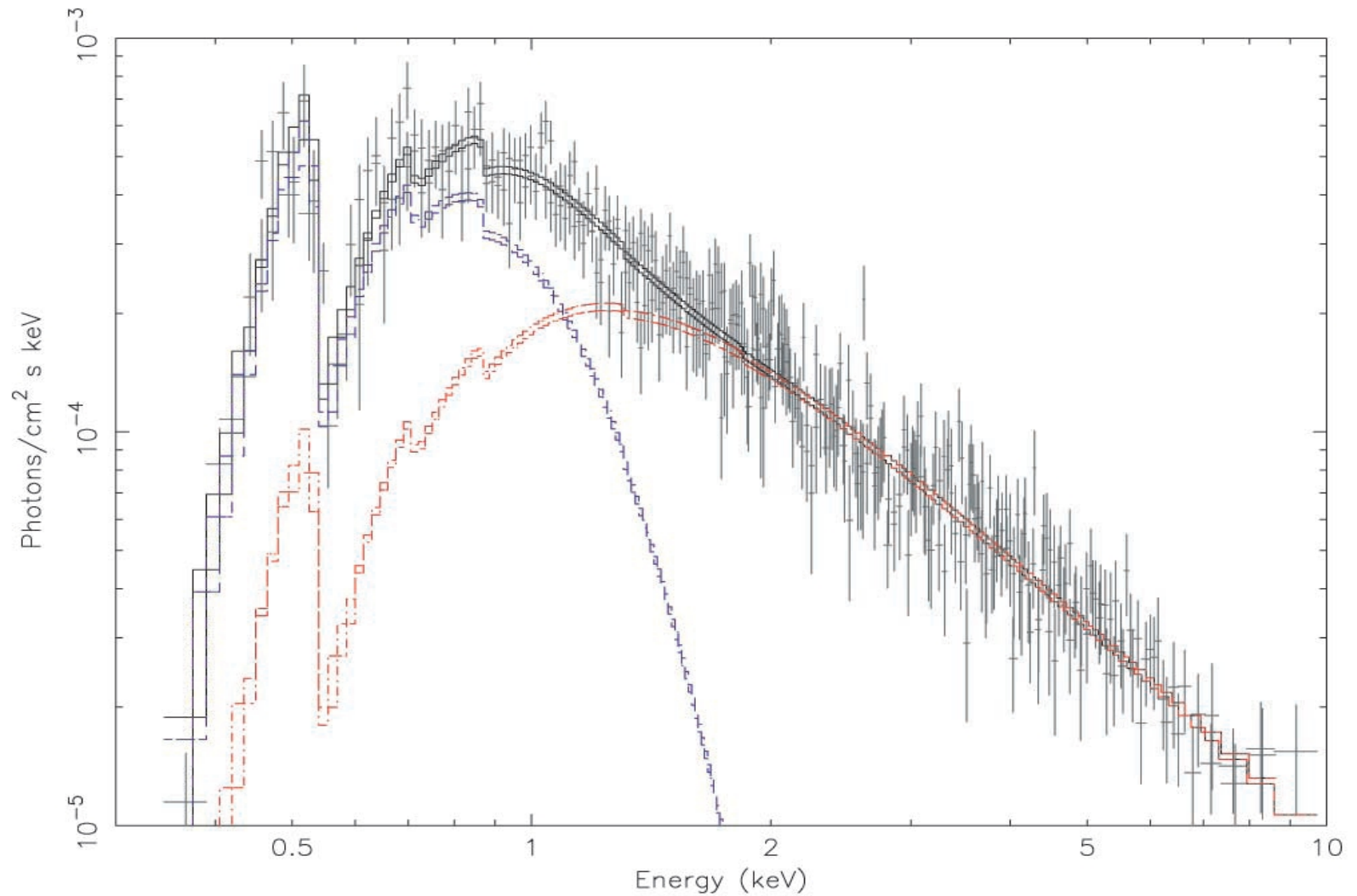
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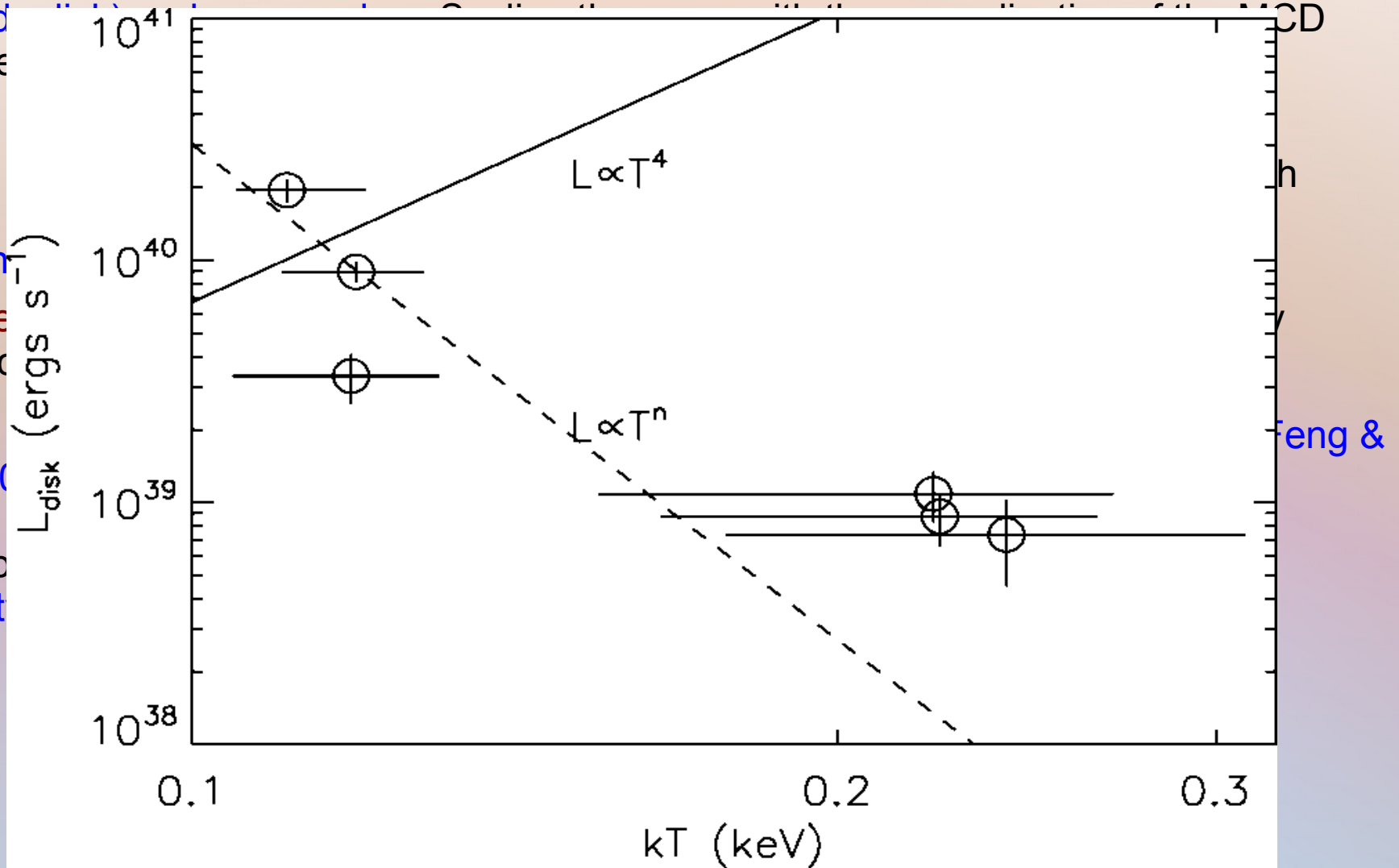
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Gladstone et al.(2009) show that it can be modelled through a **cool comptonizing corona atop the accretion disc**.



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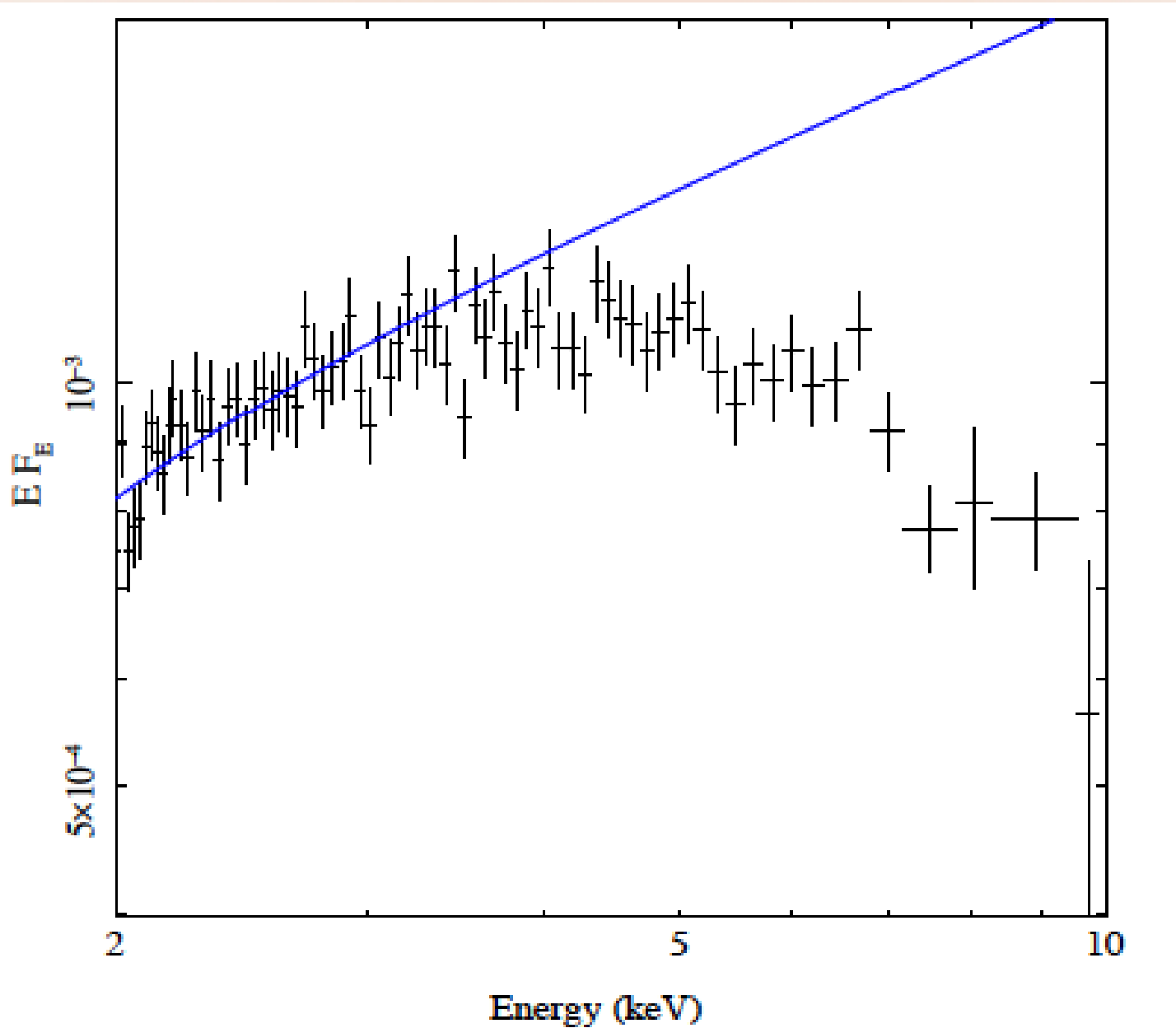
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# COMPTT and EQPAIR

Gladstone et al. fitted the spectra of ULXs using a disc component plus two different comptonization models for the corona: COMPTT and EQPAIR.

COMPTT (Titarchuck 1994): analytic approximation to non-relativistic thermal comptonization which assumes that the seed photons for comptonization have a Wien spectrum.

EQPAIR (Coppi 1999): the model allows for a 'hybrid' plasma (thermal and non-thermal electron distributions) and calculates the resulting comptonizing spectrum without assuming that the electrons are non relativistic. The seed photons may have a disk or blackbody spectral distribution. For ULXs non-thermal processes are likely not to be important and hence we used the simplified version EQTHERM.



## Fit with the `tbabs*tbabs*(eqtherm+diskbb)` model

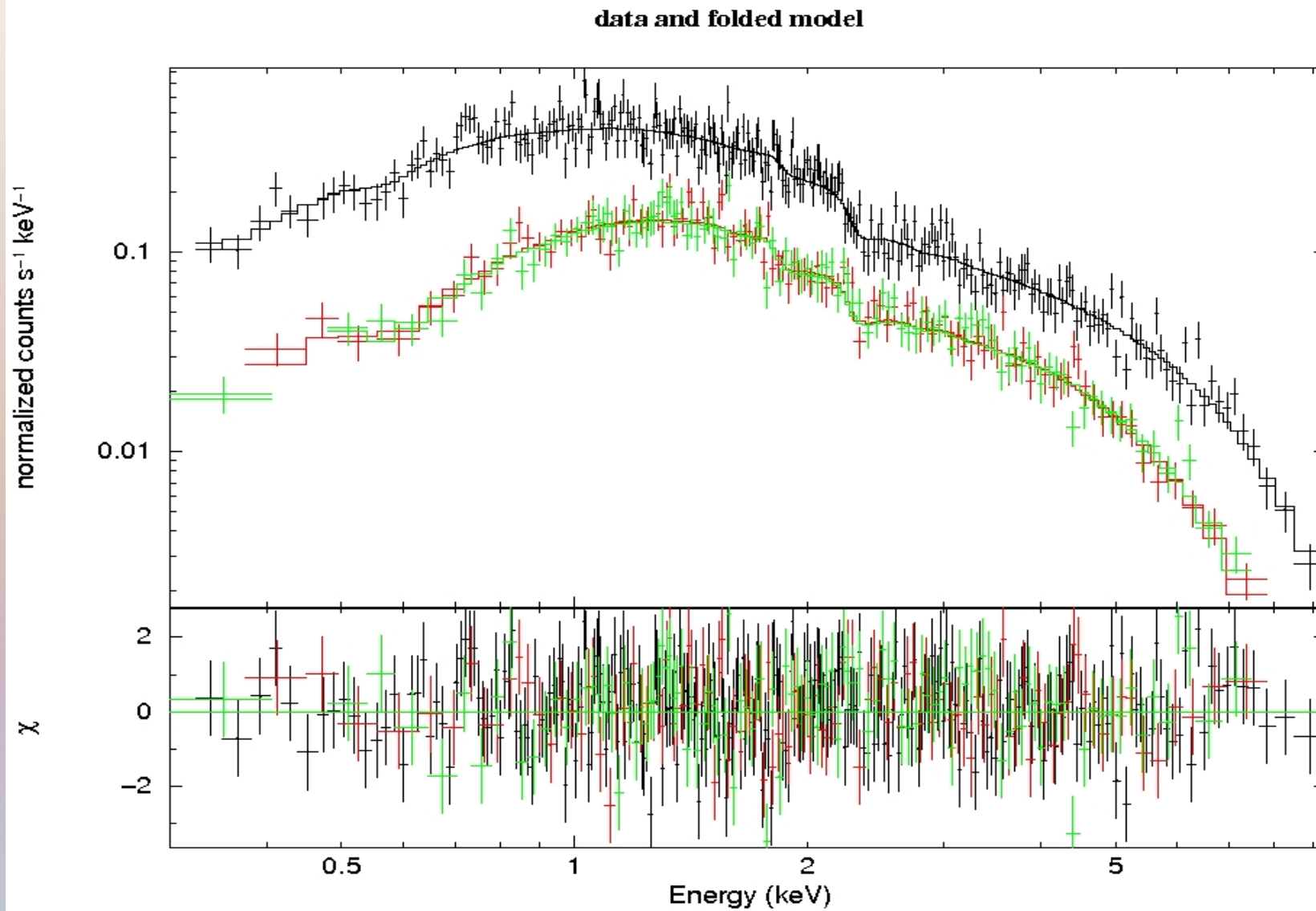
We consider the model: `tbabs*tbabs*(eqtherm [comptt] + diskbb)`;

The first absorption column is kept fixed at  $3.9 \times 10^{20} \text{ cm}^{-2}$  and represents Galactic absorption(*Dickey & Lockman 1990*).

When a disk component is necessary, we set the seed photons temperature of the corona equal to the inner disk temperature of the *diskbb*.

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X-1





# X-1 (with comptt)

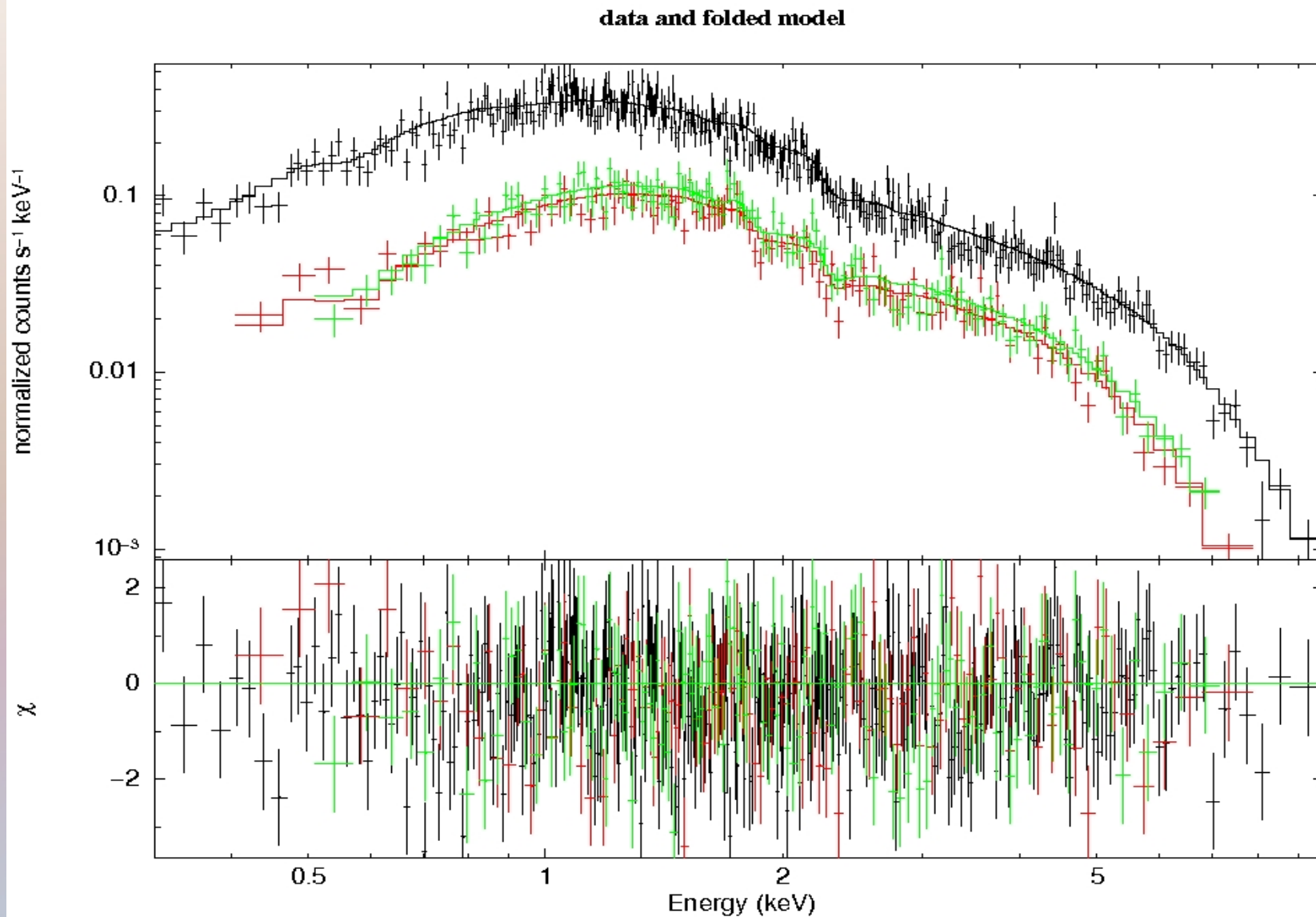
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10/17/2000	PN/M1/M2	$0.23^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$	$0.231^{+0.004}_{-0.004}$	$2.24^{+0.1}_{-0.03}$	$8.2^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	$7.3^{+1.1}_{-0.9}$	$2.00^{+0.6}_{-0.48}$	689.86/698
11/25/2003	M1/M2	$0.17^{+0.05}_{-0.05}$	$0.11^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$	$2.7^{+0.4}_{-0.4}$	$5.6^{+0.5}_{-0.4}$	$10.9^{+9}_{-5}$	...	23.12/39
12/21/2003	PN	$0.19^{+0.07}_{-0.06}$	$0.20^{+0.03}_{-0.04}$	$1.83^{+0.2}_{-0.07}$	$6.7^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$11.5^{+6}_{-4}$	...	195.47/227
12/23/2003	PN	$0.25^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$	$0.18^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$	$2.4^{+0.3}_{-0.2}$	$5.8^{+0.3}_{-0.3}$	$10.9^{+9}_{-5}$	...	66.93/76
12/25/2003	PN	$0.14^{+0.05}_{-0.06}$	$0.17^{+0.05}_{-0.04}$	$3.30^{+0.7}_{-0.7}$	$5.2^{+0.8}_{-0.7}$	$8.22^{+8.6}_{-5.0}$	...	14.51/13
01/08/2004	PN	$0.27^{+0.05}_{-0.05}$	$0.24^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$	$4.4^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$4.3^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$10.8^{+4}_{-2.8}$	$8.12^{+0}_{-6.7}$	184.56/176
01/16/2004	PN/M1/M2	$0.14^{+0.1}_{-0.07}$	$0.22^{+0.04}_{-0.05}$	$1.9^{+0.2}_{-0.1}$	$6.0^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$9.29^{+1.3}_{-3.6}$	...	195.10/198
05/01/2004	M1/M2	$0.12^{+0.06}_{-0.08}$	$0.17^{+0.05}_{-0.04}$	$3.2^{+0.3}_{-0.2}$	$5.6^{+0.3}_{-0.3}$	$5.83^{+4.1}_{-2.7}$	...	106.03/103
06/05/2004	PN	$0.13^{+0.04}_{-0.03}$	$0.23^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$	$1.7^{+0.1}_{-0.04}$	$7.1^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	$14.0^{+3}_{-3}$	...	512.21/544
08/23/2004	PN/M1/M2	$0.24^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$	$0.15^{+0.007}_{-0.007}$	$2.6^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	$3.7^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	$5.5^{+1.3}_{-1.1}$	...	234.06/233
11/23/2004	M1/M2	$0.11^{+0.04}_{-0.05}$	$0.18^{+0.03}_{-0.03}$	$3.22^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$5.53^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$7.1^{+3.3}_{-2.3}$	...	181.82/185
02/07/2005	PN/M1/M2	$0.29^{+0.04}_{-0.04}$	$0.208^{+0.005}_{-0.005}$	$2.71^{+0.2}_{-0.06}$	$7.0^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$8.93^{+2.5}_{-1.9}$	$2.68^{+1.5}_{-1}$	313.10/305
03/06/2006	PN	$0.24^{+0.05}_{-0.05}$	$0.28^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$	$1.17^{+0.5}_{-0.03}$	$12.3^{+0.5}_{-0.5}$	$4.7^{+1.9}_{-1.2}$	$1.28^{+1.2}_{-0.3}$	169.35/139
10/16/2006	PN/M1/M2	$0.25^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$	$0.228^{+0.002}_{-0.002}$	$2.08^{+0.06}_{-0.01}$	$8.65^{+0.6}_{-0.6}$	$7.00^{+0.05}_{-0.05}$	$2.0^{+0.3}_{-0.3}$	1624.29/1481

# X-1 (with eqtherm)

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10/17/2000	PN/M1/M2	$0.21^{+0.03}_{-0.04}$	$0.27^{+0.2}_{-0.1}$	2.05	$9.43^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$7.2^{+1.3}_{-0.7}$	$2.2^{+1.1}_{-0.5}$	690.95/695
11/25/2003	M1/M2	$0.17^{+0.05}_{-0.04}$	$0.12^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	1.18	$11.1^{+1.0}_{-0.9}$	$11.0^{+2.5}_{-1.7}$	...	22.98/38
12/21/2003	PN	$0.21^{+0.06}_{-0.05}$	$0.20^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	0.54	$5.8^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$12.0^{+2.1}_{-2.9}$	...	198.04/226
12/23/2003	PN	$0.35^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$	$0.19^{+0.3}_{-0.4}$	4.02	$0.9^{+0.3}_{-0.3}$	$13.0^{+2.2}_{-1.7}$	...	69.25/75
12/25/2003	PN	$0.13^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$	$0.30^{+0.3}_{-0.2}$	2.45	$11.2^{+0.4}_{-0.4}$	$8.5^{+1.7}_{-1.1}$	...	15.56/11
01/08/2004	PN	$0.20^{+0.05}_{-0.05}$	$0.24^{+0.2}_{-0.1}$	1.29	$29.9^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$9.7^{+2.1}_{-1.2}$	$1.3^{+1.2}_{-0.8}$	183.05/175
01/16/2004	PN/M1/M2	$0.21^{+0.06}_{-0.05}$	$0.20^{+0.1}_{-0.2}$	2.21	$15.8^{+0.3}_{-0.3}$	$9.1^{+3.4}_{-1.5}$	...	194.96/197
05/01/2004	M1/M2	0	0	0	0	0	0	..
06/05/2004	PN	$0.21^{+0.03}_{-0.04}$	$0.20^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	2.25	$3.8^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$14.2^{+1.8}_{-1.8}$	...	249.98/262
08/23/2004	PN/M1/M2	$0.23^{+0.03}_{-0.03}$	$0.17^{+0.5}_{-0.4}$	1.08	$10.6^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$4.3^{+1.4}_{-0.9}$	...	242.40/232
11/23/2004	M1/M2	$0.18^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$	$0.23^{+0.3}_{-0.2}$	1.67	$1.03^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	$8.0^{+1.1}_{-0.6}$	...	167.41/184
02/07/2005	PN/M1/M2	$0.30^{+0.05}_{-0.04}$	$0.21^{+0.3}_{-0.5}$	5.86	$0.78^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$9.4^{+2.2}_{-1.6}$	$3.1^{+3.7}_{-1.4}$	313.44/304
03/06/2006	PN	$0.25^{+0.06}_{-0.04}$	$0.31^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	2.17	$1.11^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$4.8^{+2.5}_{-1.9}$	$1.43^{+7.8}_{-3}$	171.42/138
10/16/2006	PN/M1/M2	$0.25^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$	$0.24^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	1.18	$9.41^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	$6.7^{+0.9}_{-0.7}$	$2.02^{+0.13}_{-0.09}$	625.67/1480

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## X-2 (with comptt)

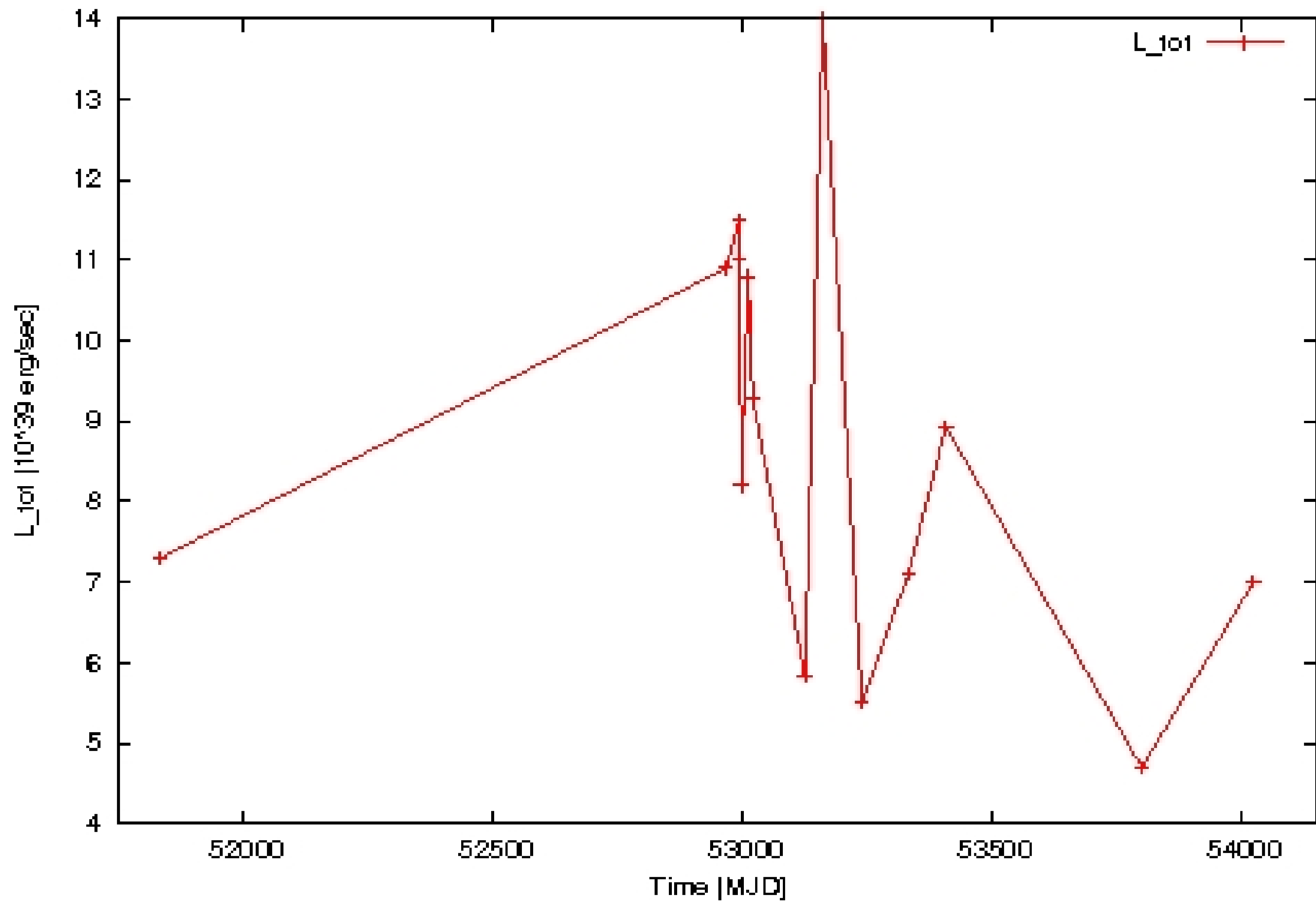
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10/17/2000	PN	$0.14^{+0.06}_{-0.06}$	$0.17^{+0.03}_{-0.04}$	$3.33^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$4.4^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$1.7^{+1.3}_{-0.7}$	...	141.86/143
11/25/2003	PN/M1/M2	$0.03^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$	$0.26^{+0.05}_{-0.04}$	$1.18^{+0.07}_{-0.07}$	$12.7^{+1}_{-0.9}$	$5.1^{+2.5}_{-1.7}$	$5.6^{+1.7}_{-1.1}$	35.57/36
12/21/2003	PN/M1/M2	$0.13^{+0.04}_{-0.01}$	$0.29^{+0.06}_{-0.05}$	$1.58^{+0.04}_{-0.04}$	$10.5^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$7.1^{+2.1}_{-2.9}$	$5.2^{+7.8}_{-13.4}$	386.29/395
12/23/2003	PN/M1/M2	$0.04^{+0.02}_{-0.03}$	$0.27^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$	$1.69^{+0.06}_{-0.06}$	$10.2^{+0.3}_{-0.3}$	$7.6^{+2.2}_{-1.7}$	...	245.35/249
12/25/2003	PN/M1/M2	$0.15^{+0.04}_{-0.04}$	$0.30^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$	$1.5^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	$8.7^{+0.4}_{-0.4}$	$3.5^{+1.7}_{-1.1}$	$7.4^{+0.8}_{-4.5}$	100.41/120
01/08/2004	PN/M1/M2	$0.13^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$	$0.25^{+0.05}_{-0.05}$	$1.91^{+0.09}_{-0.08}$	$6.5^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$2.7^{+2.1}_{-1.2}$	$3.6^{+5.6}_{-2.6}$	175.30/201
01/16/2004	PN/M1/M2	$0.13^{+0.08}_{-0.1}$	$0.17^{+0.06}_{-0.05}$	$2.6^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$5.5^{+0.3}_{-0.3}$	$2.5^{+3.4}_{-1.5}$	...	85.33/86
05/01/2004	M1/M2	$0.10^{+0.09}_{-0.09}$	$0.38^{+0.4}_{-0.1}$	$1.4^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	$7.2^{+0.7}_{-0.7}$	$1.8^{+1}_{-1.3}$	$6.3^{+1.1}_{-5.9}$	55.41/46
06/05/2004	PN/M1/M2	$0.14^{+0.04}_{-0.03}$	$0.23^{+0.04}_{-0.04}$	$1.48^{+0.03}_{-0.03}$	$11.0^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$8.2^{+1.8}_{-1.8}$	$1.4^{+2.1}_{-1.0}$	515.23/507
08/23/2004	PN/M1/M2	$0.14^{+0.04}_{-0.05}$	$0.15^{+0.03}_{-0.03}$	$3.4^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$4.6^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$1.99^{+1.4}_{-0.9}$	...	162.21/132
11/23/2004	PN/M1/M2	$0.14^{+0.04}_{-0.05}$	$0.17^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$	$3.00^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	$4.9^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	$2.1^{+1.1}_{-0.65}$	...	215.02/238
02/07/2005	PN/M1/M2	$0.10^{+0.02}_{-0.01}$	$0.27^{+0.05}_{-0.04}$	$1.53^{+0.03}_{-0.03}$	$11.4^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$7.7^{+2.2}_{-1.6}$	$2.4^{+3.7}_{-1.4}$	491.14/486
03/06/2006	PN/M1/M2	$0.15^{+0.04}_{-0.01}$	$0.29^{+0.06}_{-0.04}$	$1.42^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$	$11.5^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$7.5^{+2.5}_{-1.9}$	$5.1^{+7.8}_{-1.3}$	577.03/603
10/16/2006	PN	$0.141^{+0.01}_{-0.007}$	$0.24^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$	$1.63^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$	$9.8^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	$6.8^{+0.9}_{-0.8}$	$2.5^{+1.3}_{-0.9}$	843.58/854

## X-2 (with eqtherm)

Obs.ID	Instruments	nH ( $10^{22} \text{ part/cm}^2$ )	$kT_{disk}$ (KeV)	$l_h/l_s$	$\tau$	0.3-10 KeV $L_x$ ( $10^{39} \text{ erg/sec}$ )	0.3-10 KeV $L_{disk}$ ( $10^{39} \text{ erg/sec}$ )	$\chi^2/dof$
10/17/2000	PN	$0.16^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$	$0.20^{+0.03}_{-0.04}$	1.45	$1.3^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$1.7^{+1.3}_{-0.7}$	...	139.38/145
11/25/2003	PN/M1/M2	$0.097^{+0.05}_{-0.04}$	$0.20^{+0.05}_{-0.04}$	1.93	$26.3^{+1.0}_{-0.9}$	$5.1^{+2.5}_{-1.7}$	...	58.86/62
12/21/2003	PN/M1/M2	$0.15^{+0.03}_{-0.04}$	$0.32^{+0.06}_{-0.05}$	1.49	$19.2^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$6.9^{+2.1}_{-2.9}$	$6.1^{+7.8}_{-3.4}$	385.68/394
12/23/2003	PN/M1/M2	$0.14^{+0.01}_{-0.02}$	$0.23^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$	2.09	$18.8^{+0.3}_{-0.3}$	$7.8^{+2.2}_{-1.7}$	...	245.73/248
12/25/2003	PN/M1/M2	$0.16^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$	$0.29^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$	1.06	$14.4^{+0.4}_{-0.4}$	$3.3^{+1.7}_{-1.1}$	$5.5^{+0.8}_{-4.5}$	101.48/119
01/08/2004	PN/M1/M2	$0.17^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$	$0.22^{+0.05}_{-0.05}$	1.04	$11.6^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$2.5^{+2.1}_{-1.2}$	$2.6^{+5.6}_{-2.6}$	252.41/200
01/16/2004	PN/M1/M2	$0.15^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$	$0.17^{+0.06}_{-0.05}$	1.49	$7.76^{+0.3}_{-0.3}$	$2.8^{+3.4}_{-1.5}$	...	85.49/85
05/01/2004	M1/M2	0	0	0	0	0	0	..
06/05/2004	PN/M1/M2	$0.21^{+0.03}_{-0.02}$	$0.23^{+0.03}_{-0.04}$	1.87	$20.5^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$8.4^{+1.8}_{-1.8}$	$4.2^{+2.1}_{-1.1}$	287.60/270
08/23/2004	PN/M1/M2	$0.21^{+0.02}_{-0.01}$	$0.19^{+0.03}_{-0.03}$	1.76	$0.6^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$1.3^{+1.4}_{-0.9}$	...	150.99/131
11/23/2004	PN/M1/M2	$0.16^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$	$0.21^{+0.01}_{-0.01}$	1.61	$1.2^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	$1.4^{+1.1}_{-0.6}$	...	211.11/237
02/07/2005	PN/M1/M2	$0.165^{+0.03}_{-0.03}$	$0.25^{+0.05}_{-0.04}$	1.96	$21.9^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$7.8^{+2.2}_{-1.6}$	$3.0^{+3.7}_{-1.4}$	489.36/485
03/06/2006	PN/M1/M2	$0.19^{+0.03}_{-0.03}$	$0.31^{+0.06}_{-0.04}$	1.47	$22.7^{+0.2}_{-0.2}$	$7.4^{+2.5}_{-1.9}$	$6.5^{+7.8}_{-3.1}$	578.54/602
10/16/2006	PN	$0.18^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$	$0.28^{+0.02}_{-0.02}$	1.59	$18.0^{+0.1}_{-0.1}$	$7.1^{+0.9}_{-0.7}$	$4.6^{+0.13}_{-0.09}$	827.48/853

## LIGHT CURVE

X-1

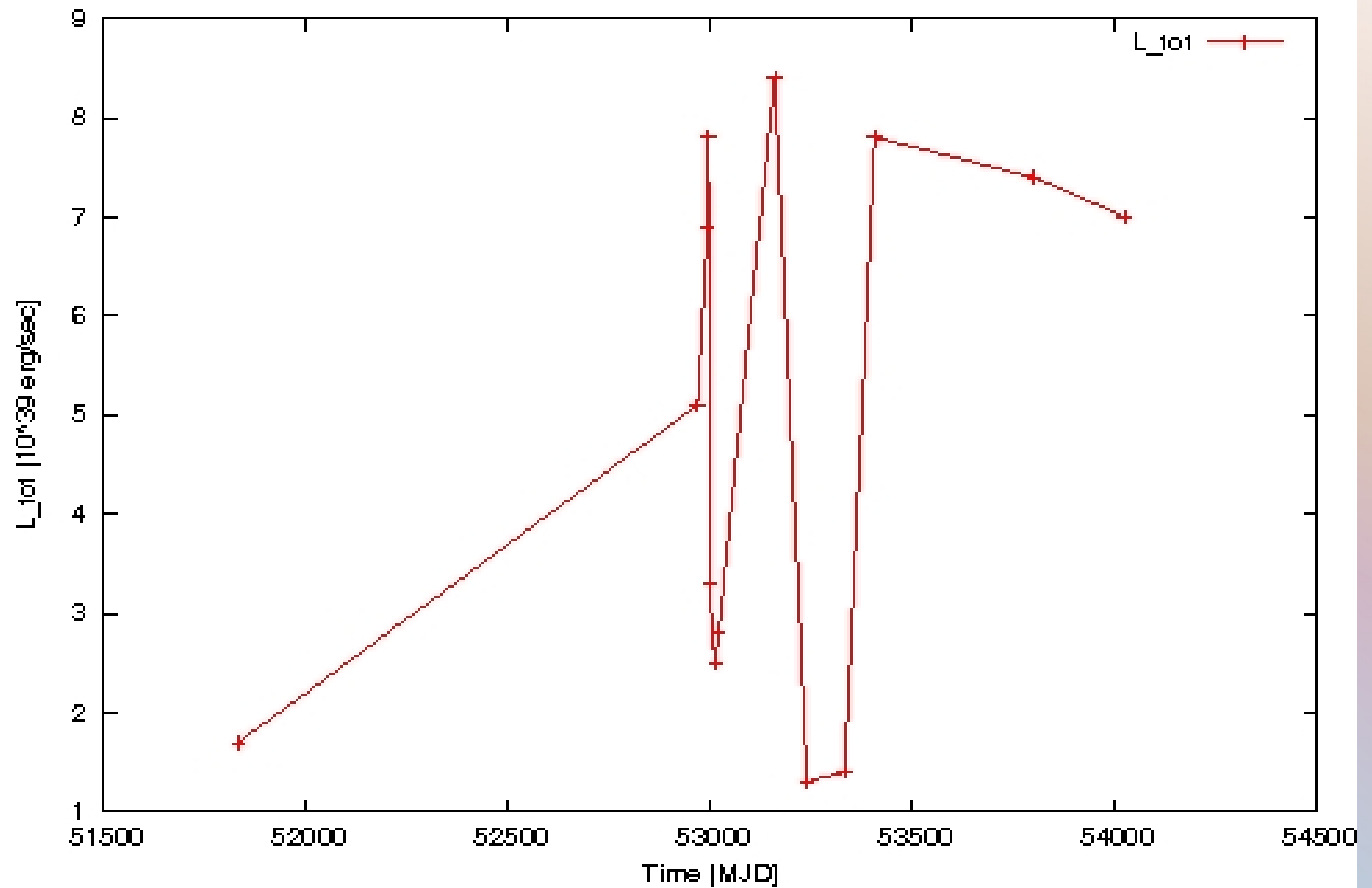


Typical variability of a factor 2!



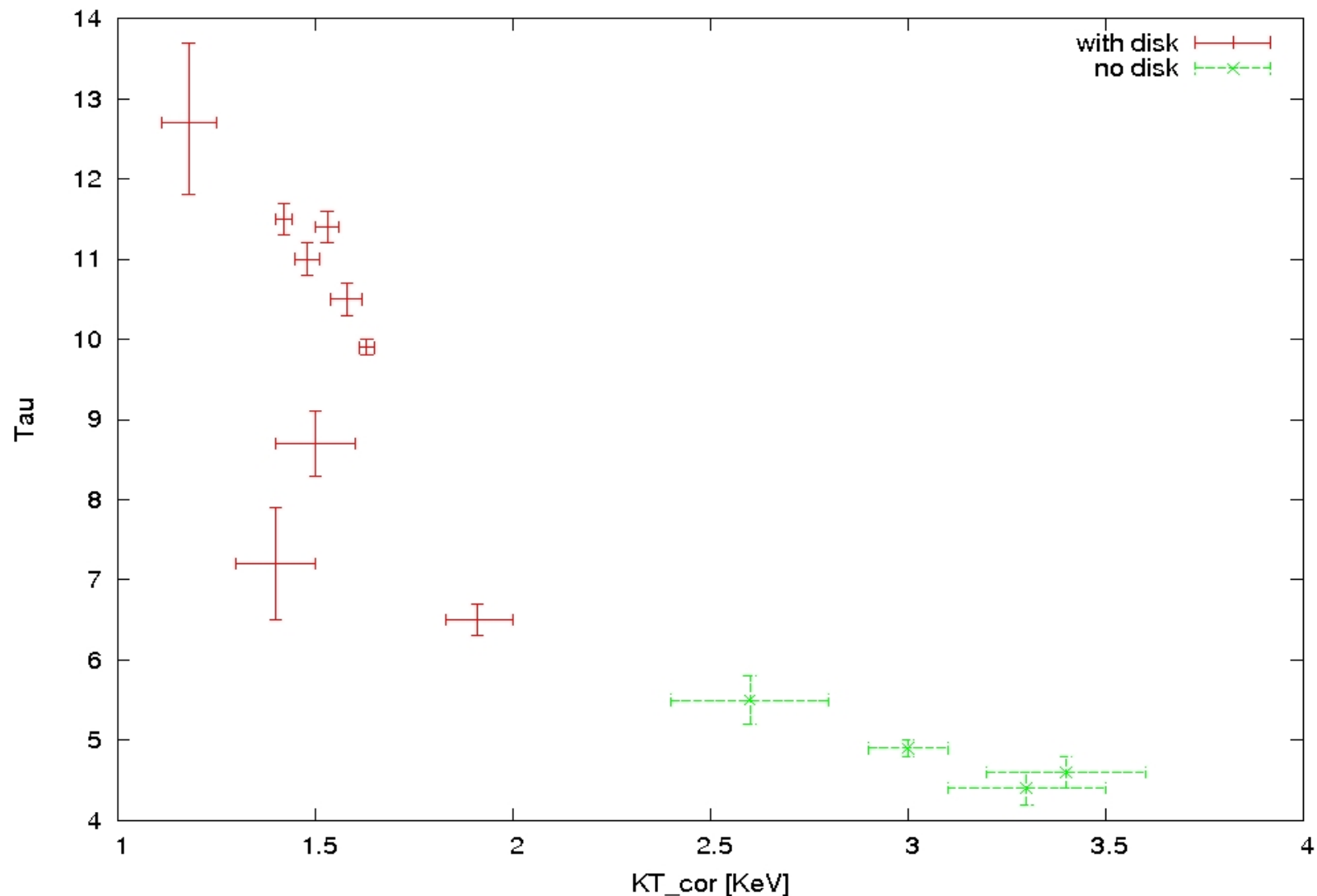
# LIGHT CURVE

X-2



More pronounced 'flaring-type' variability!

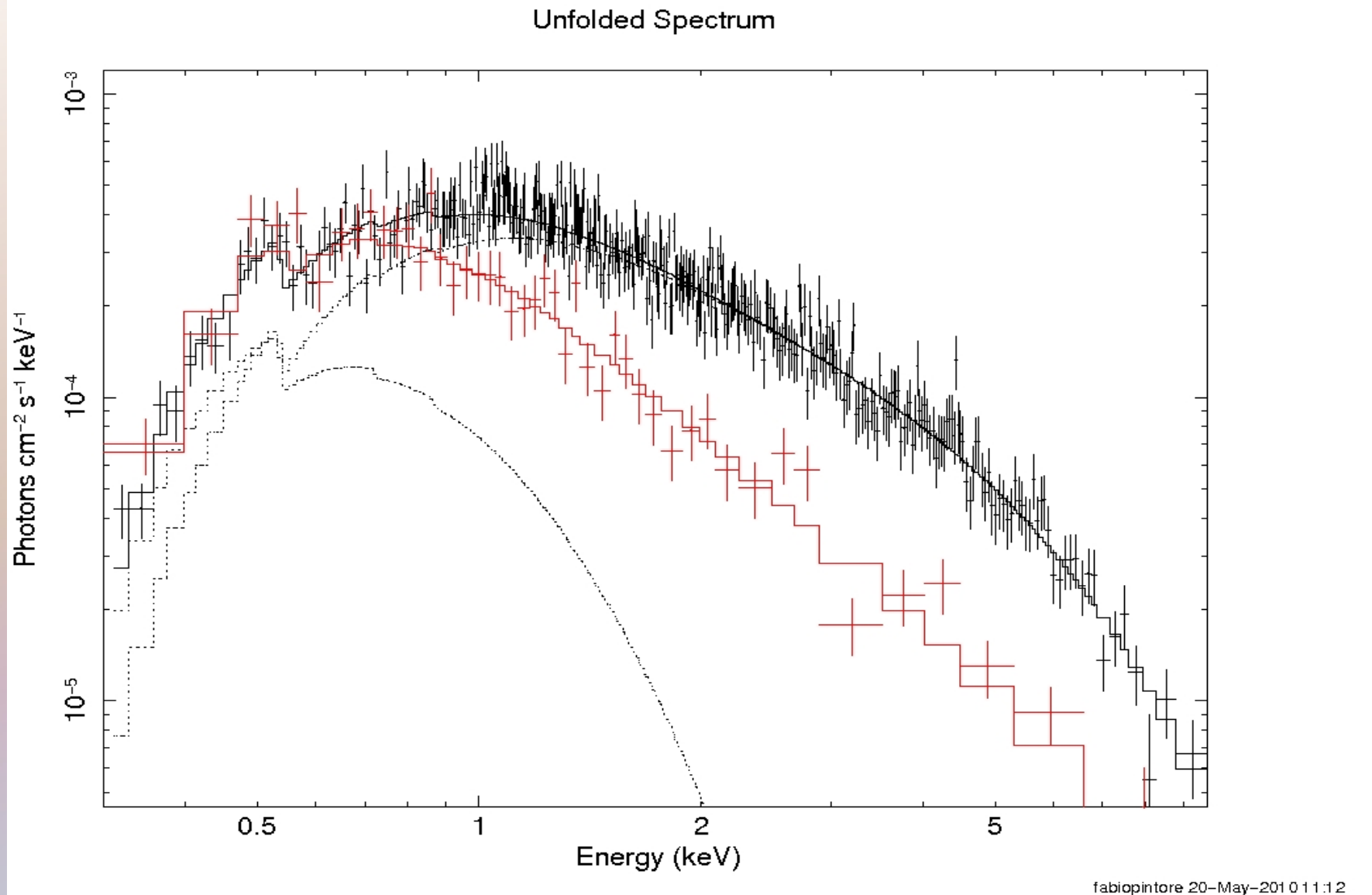
## 'HIGH'/'LOW' STATE (X-2, with COMPTT)



- **'HIGH' STATE**: **low** temperature ( $\sim 1.5$  keV) and **large** optical depths ( $\sim 10$ ); a disc component is usually needed;
- **'LOW' STATE**: **higher** temperature ( $\sim 3$  keV) and **lower** optical depths ( $\sim 5$ ); no disc component;

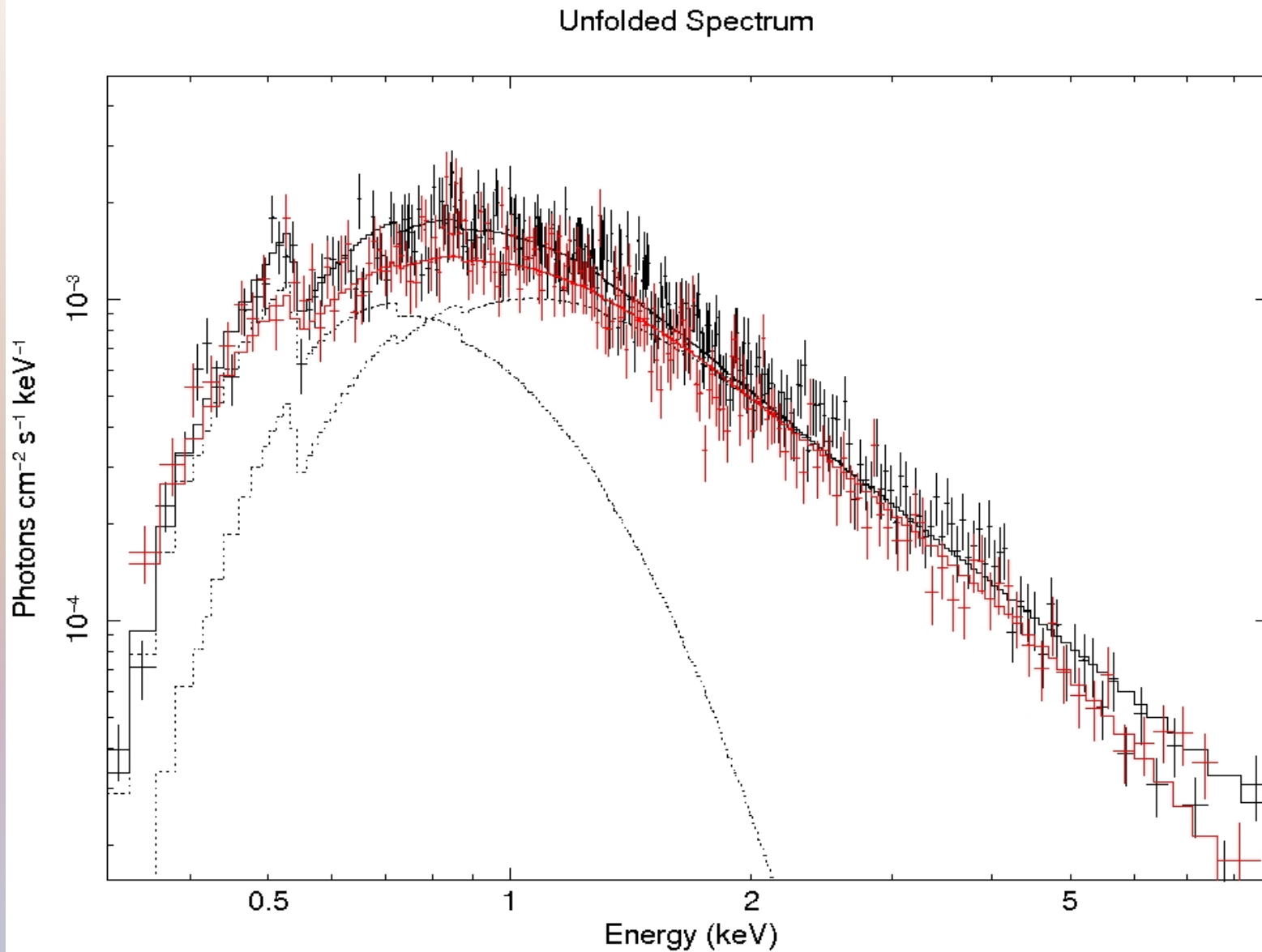


## 'High/low' state spectra of X-2



Comparison between spectra in the 'high'/'low' state. Evidence of a break at high luminosity. ~50% of the total luminosity is in the soft component. High energy tail shows opposite behaviour with respect to high/low state transitions in Galactic BH binaries.

# Spectral variability in X-1

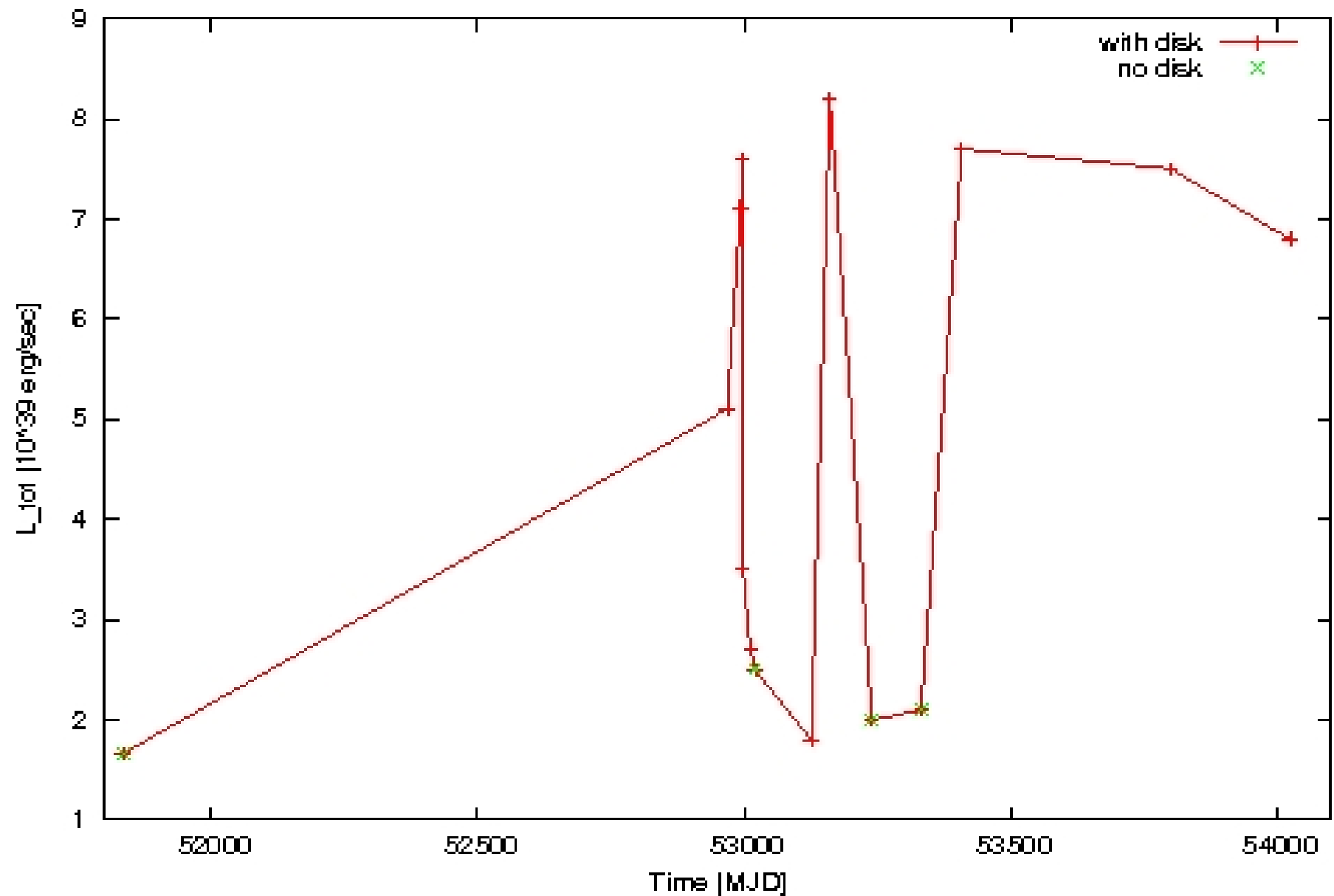


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Spectral variability much less pronounced.

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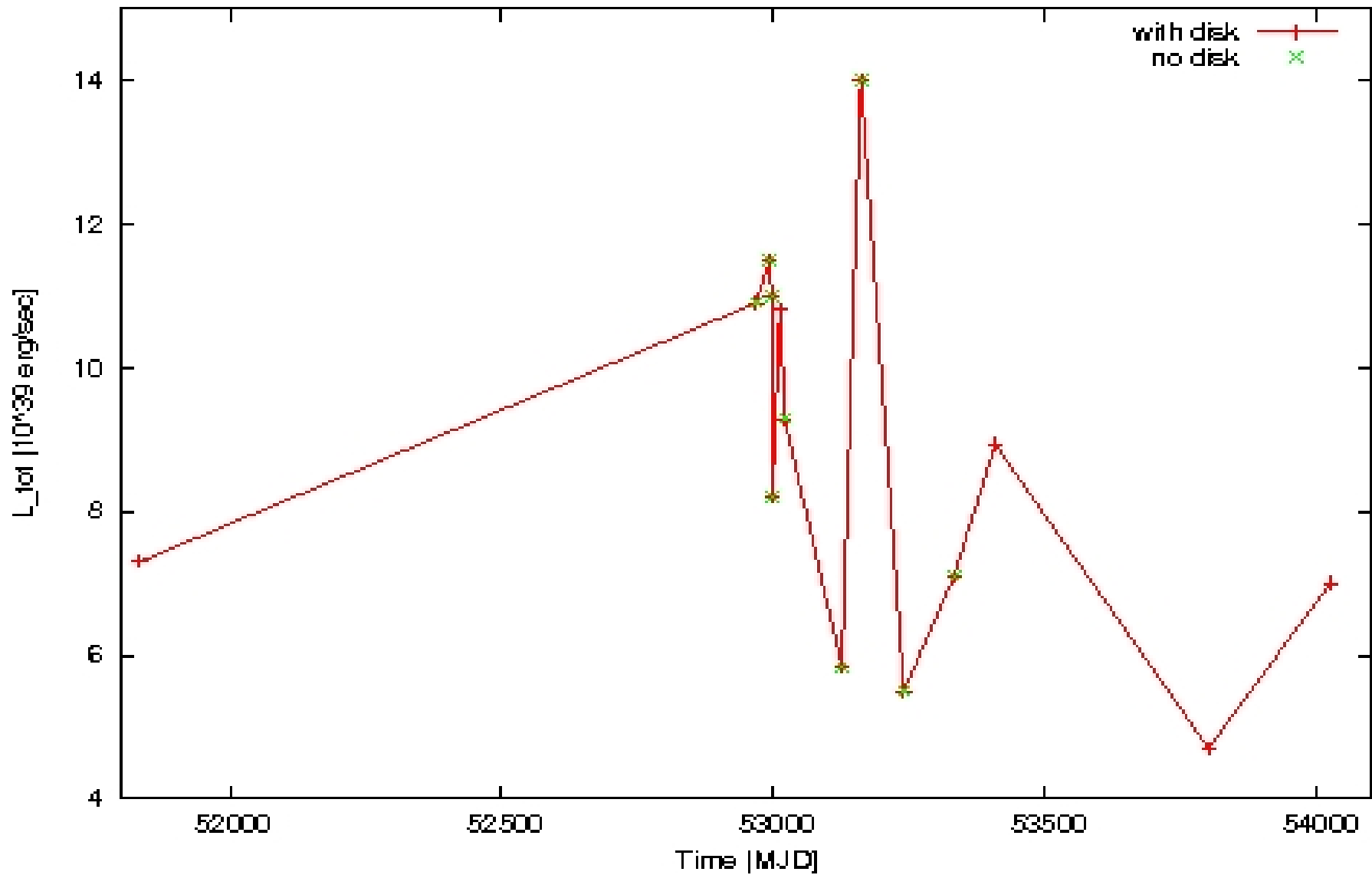


Lower luminosities: **NO DISK!**



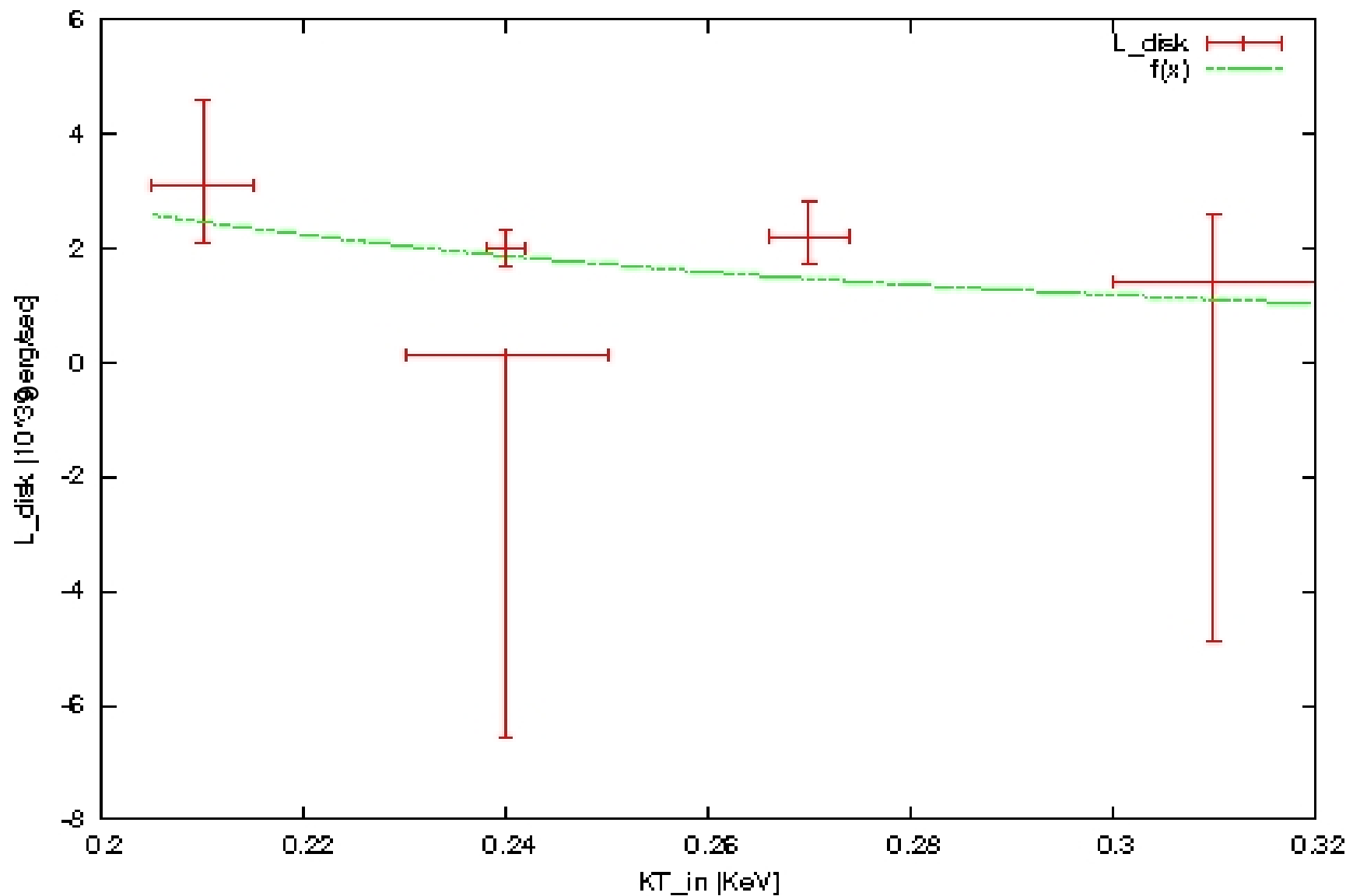
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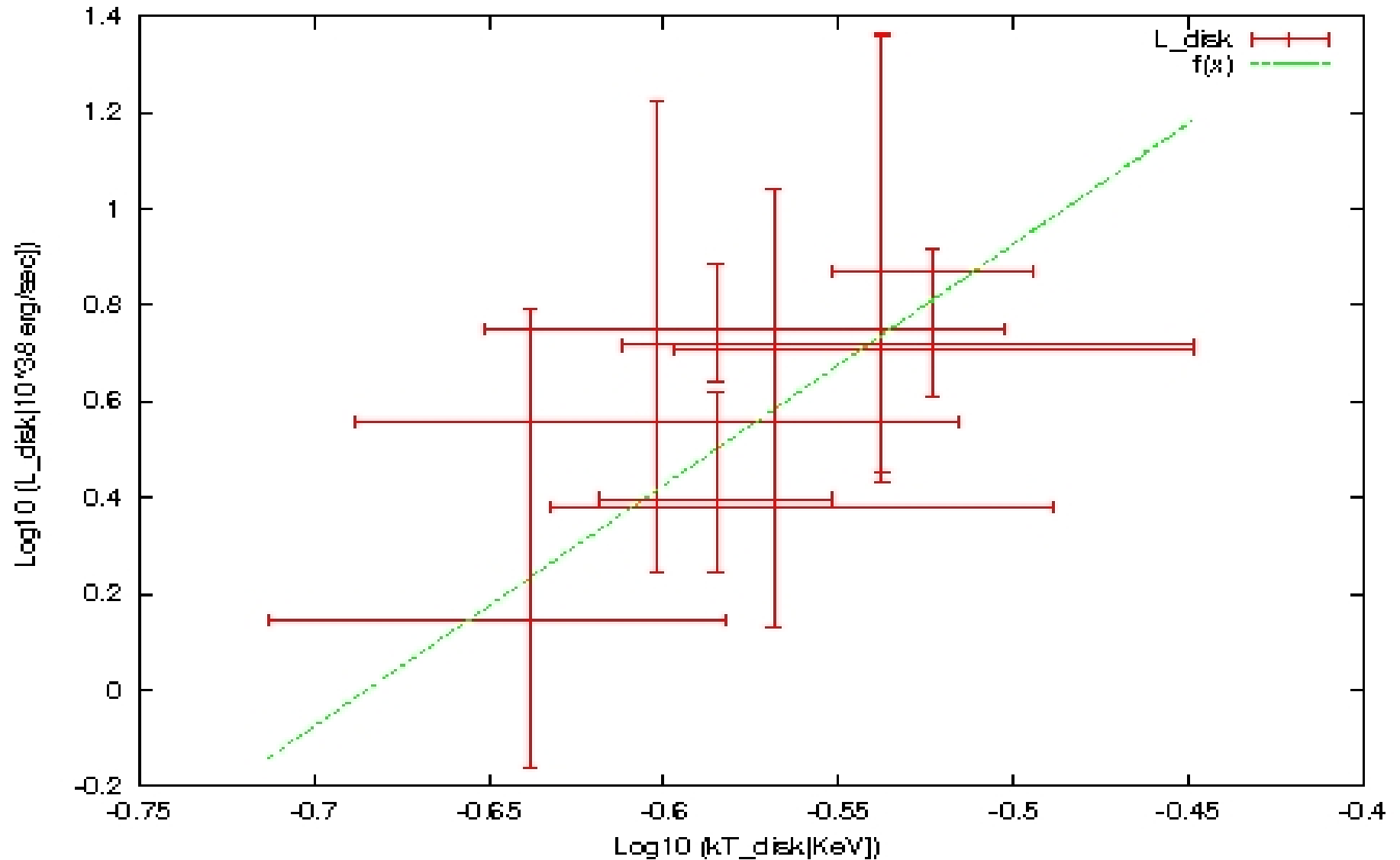
The soft component may or may not be needed, with **no significant dependence** on luminosity.

## Ldisk vs KT\_disk (X-1, with EQTHERM)



NO significant correlation ( $L \sim T^{-0.2 \pm 5}$ )!!!

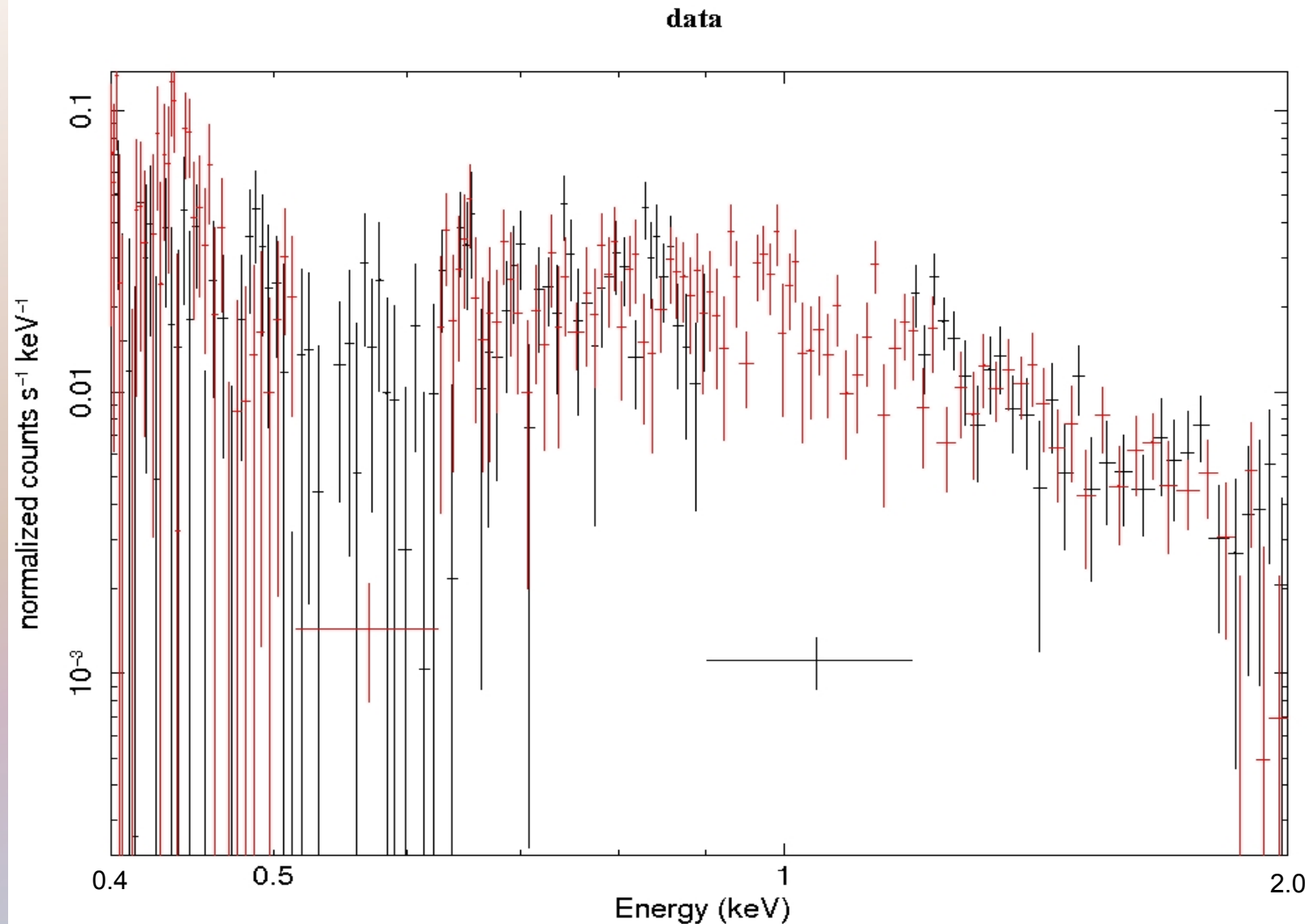
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There is a significant correlation between  $L_{\text{disk}}$  and  $T_{\text{in}}$  ( $L \sim T_{\text{in}}^{5.1 \pm 1.4}$ ).  
 With the EQTHERM model we find ( $L \sim T_{\text{in}}^{2.1 \pm 0.5}$ );



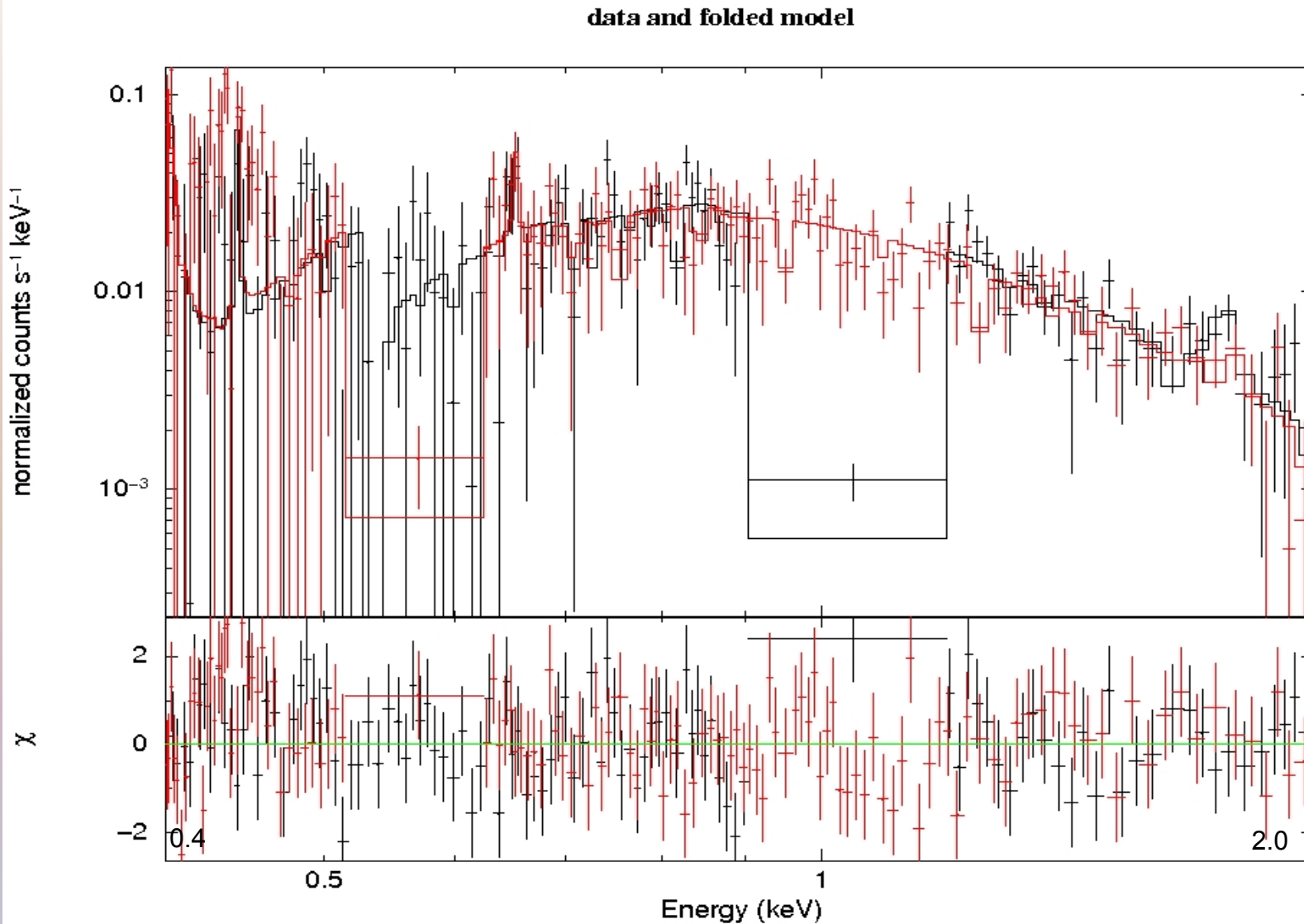
## RGS ANALISYS FOR X-1



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We re-fitted the EPIC-pn continuum using the [tbvarabs](#) model, that [allows to vary the chemical abundances](#) and we found approximately [solar abundances](#). Then we fitted the RGS data with the EPIC-pn continuum in which the O and Fe abundances are fixed to 0.

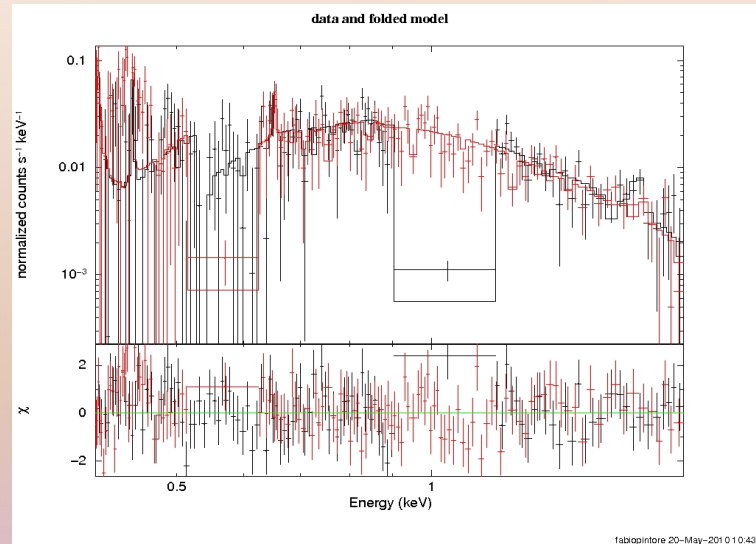
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We find 4 [lines](#), two of them in absorption. The line at 1.74 KeV (Si) is instrumental.

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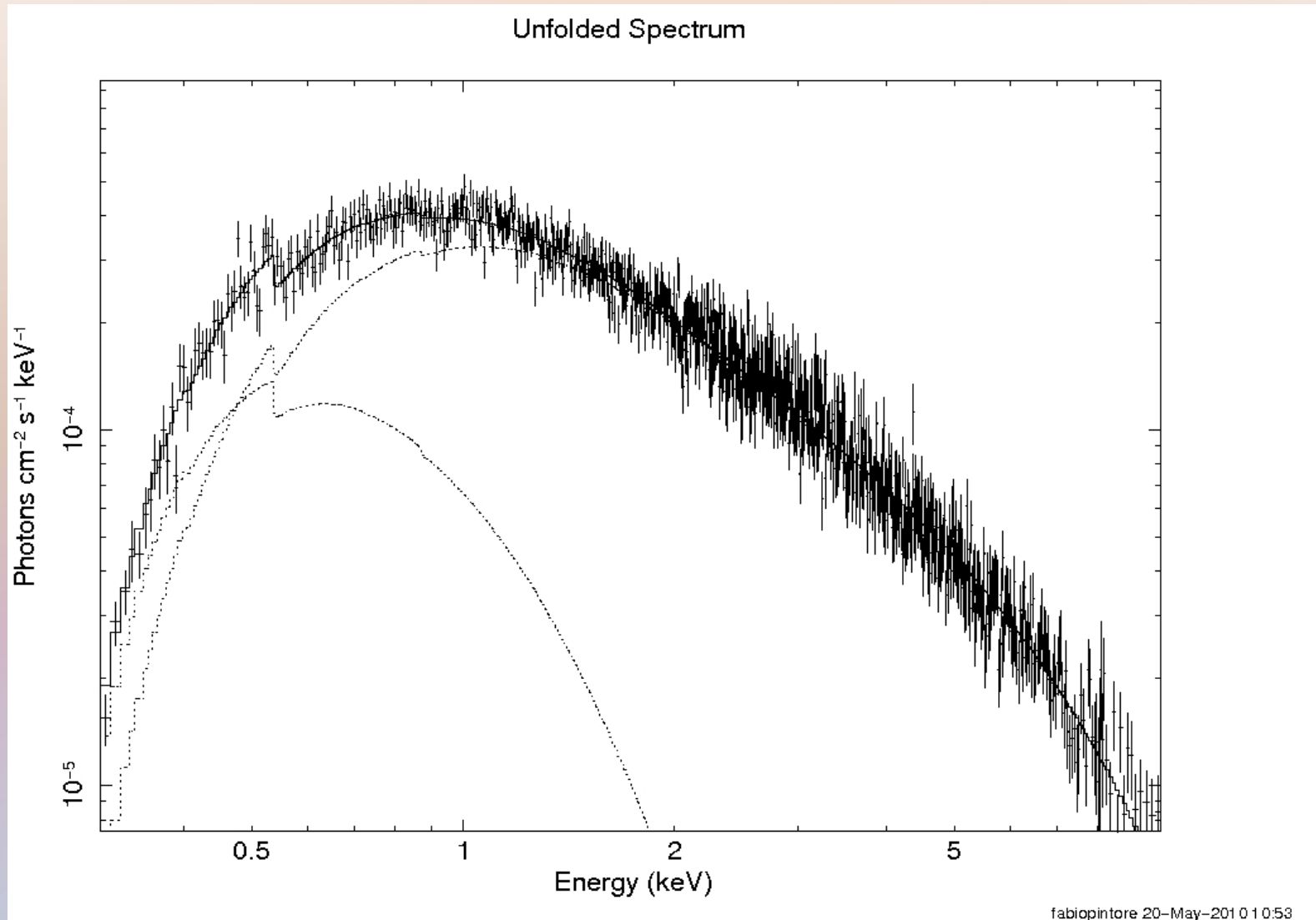
Lines	Energy (KeV)	Normalization ( $photons/cm^{-2}s^{-1}$ )
O I (1s-1s2p)	$0.535 \pm 0.001$	$(-5.2 \pm 0.2) \cdot 10^{-5}$
Fe I	$0.709 \pm 0.001$	$(-1.2 \pm 0.2) \cdot 10^{-5}$
instrumental(Si)	$1.748 \pm 0.001$	$(1.3 \pm 0.1) \cdot 10^{-5}$
O VIII	$0.653 \pm 0.001$	$(2.5 \pm 0.2) \cdot 10^{-5}$
Edge	Energy (KeV)	Absorption depth
<i>Oxygen<sub>K-edge</sub></i>	$0.536 \pm 0.005$	$0.63 \pm 0.01$

From the edge, we find an abundances for Oxygen **slightly above solar** (1.3 solar metallicity).



## ABUNDANCES IN X-2

If the O and Fe abundances are left free, the fit of the EPIC-pn spectrum gives **sub-solar abundances**;



The **Oxygen** abundance is **0.5** solar, while the **Fe** abundance is **very low** (consistent with zero).

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