

X-ray spectroscopy of obscured (and unobscured) AGN

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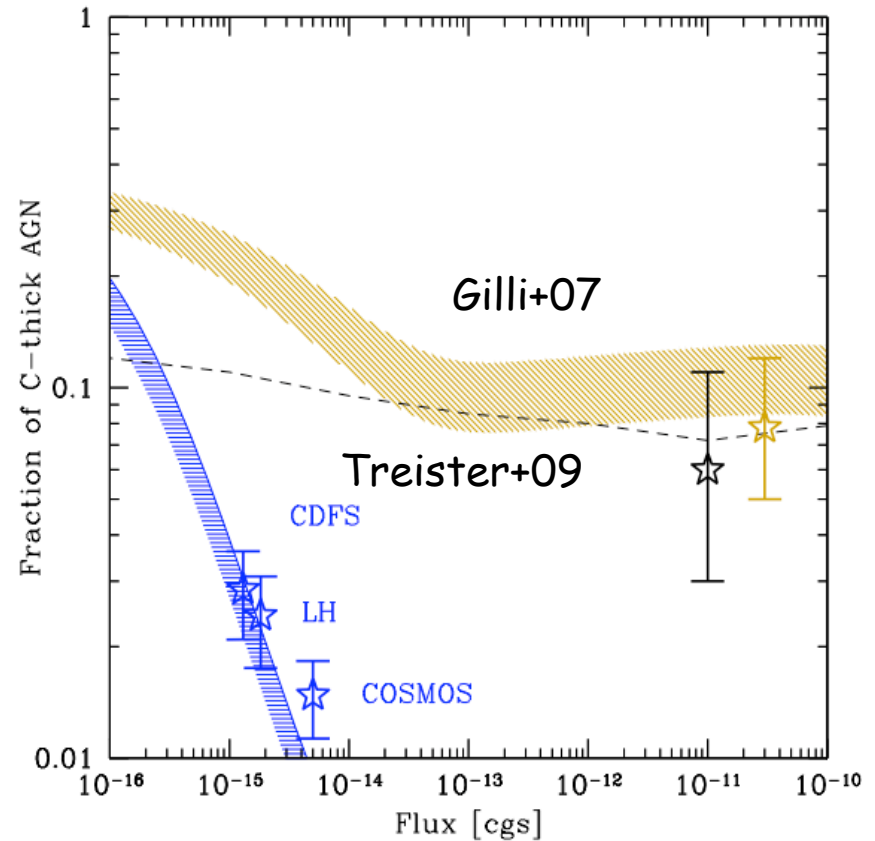
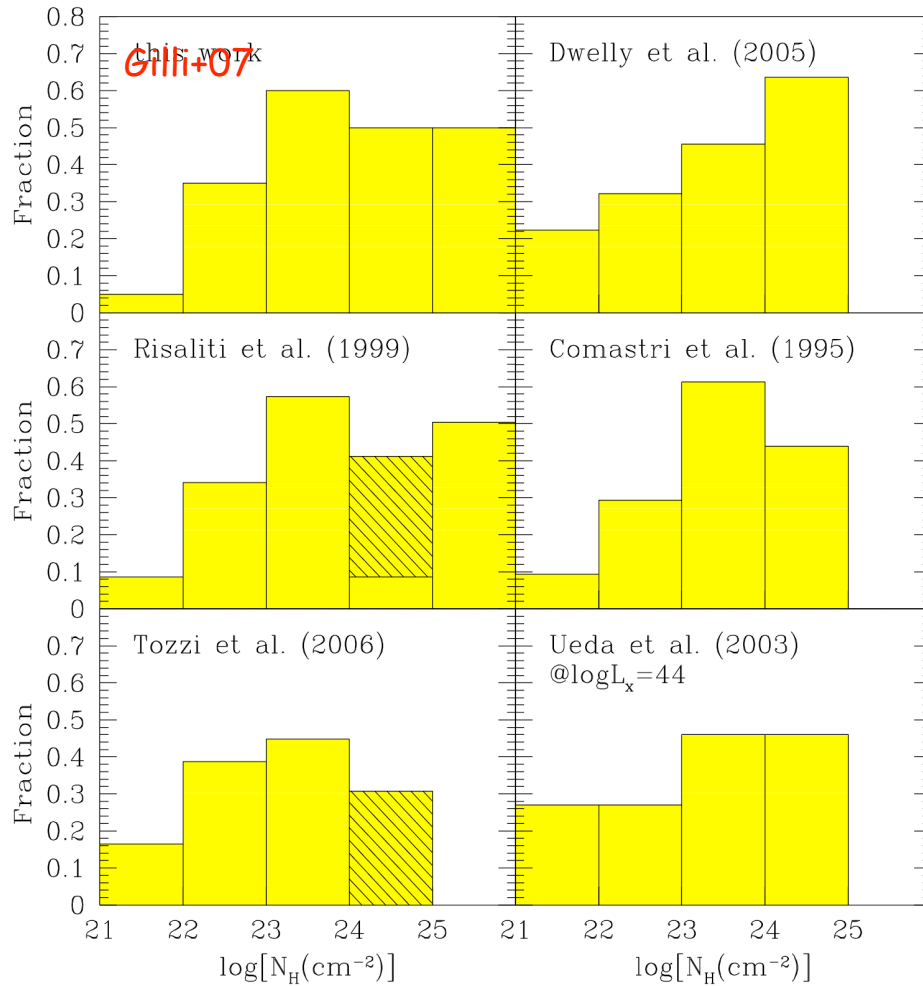
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Outline

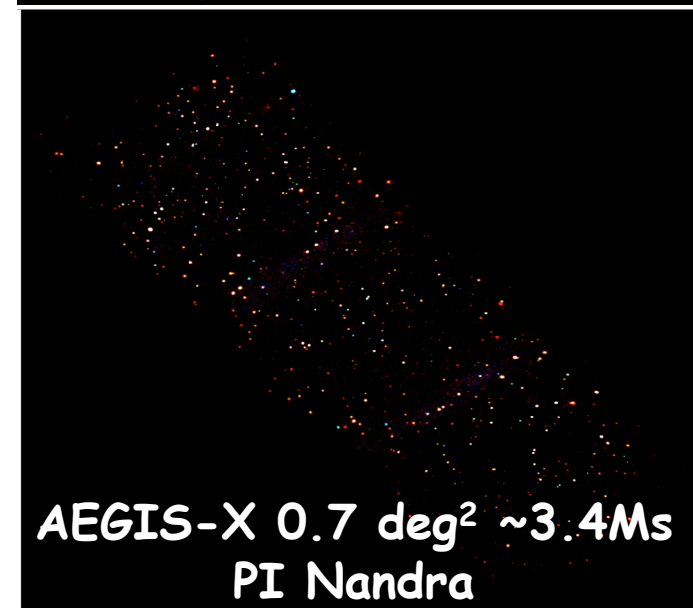
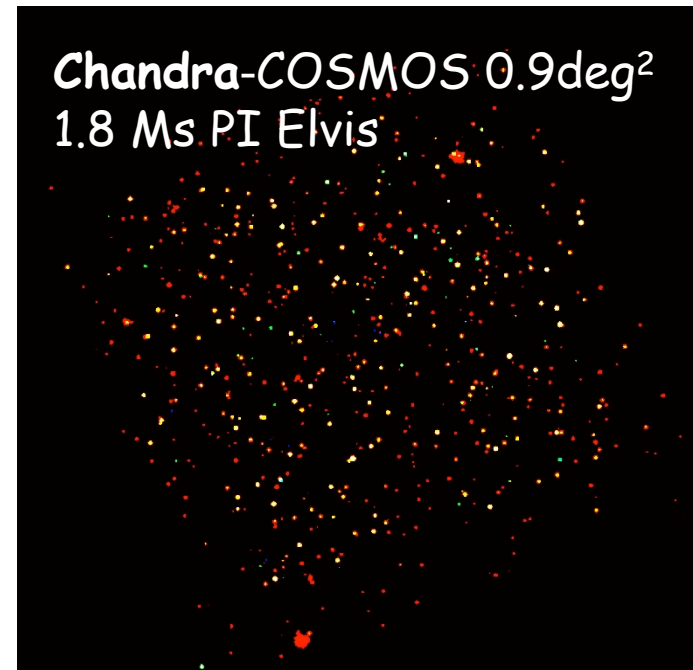
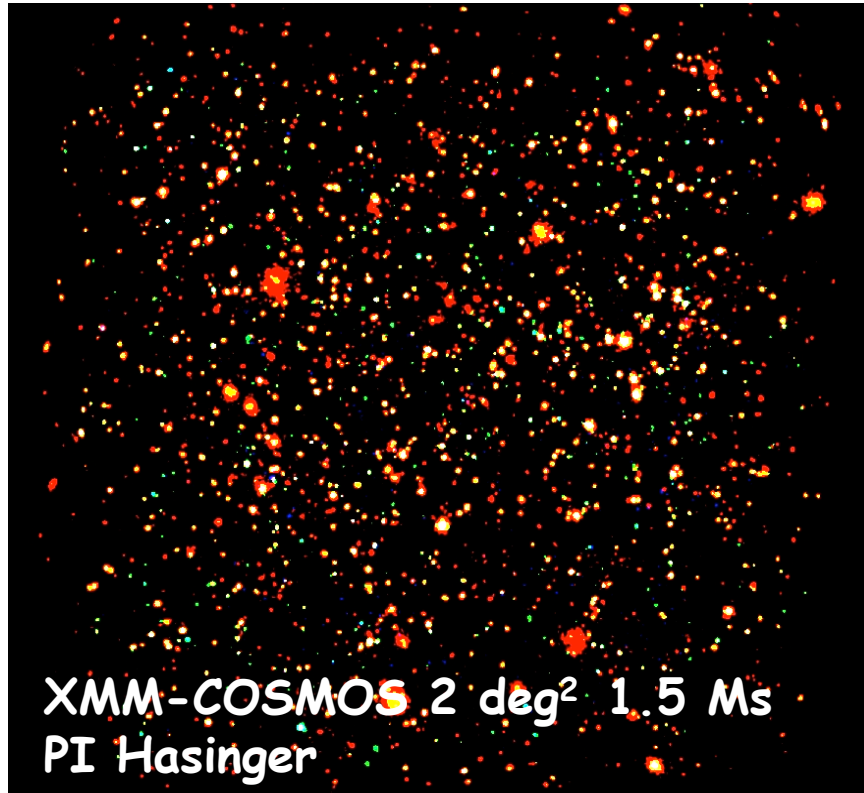
- Search for and spectral characterization of the most obscured AGN beyond the local Universe
- Some recent results from the XMM deep field in the CDFS
- Average spectra (stacking)
- eROSITA perspectives

Obscured Accretion



Heavily obscured and Compton thick are dominant but yet poorly constrained especially at high-z and high-L

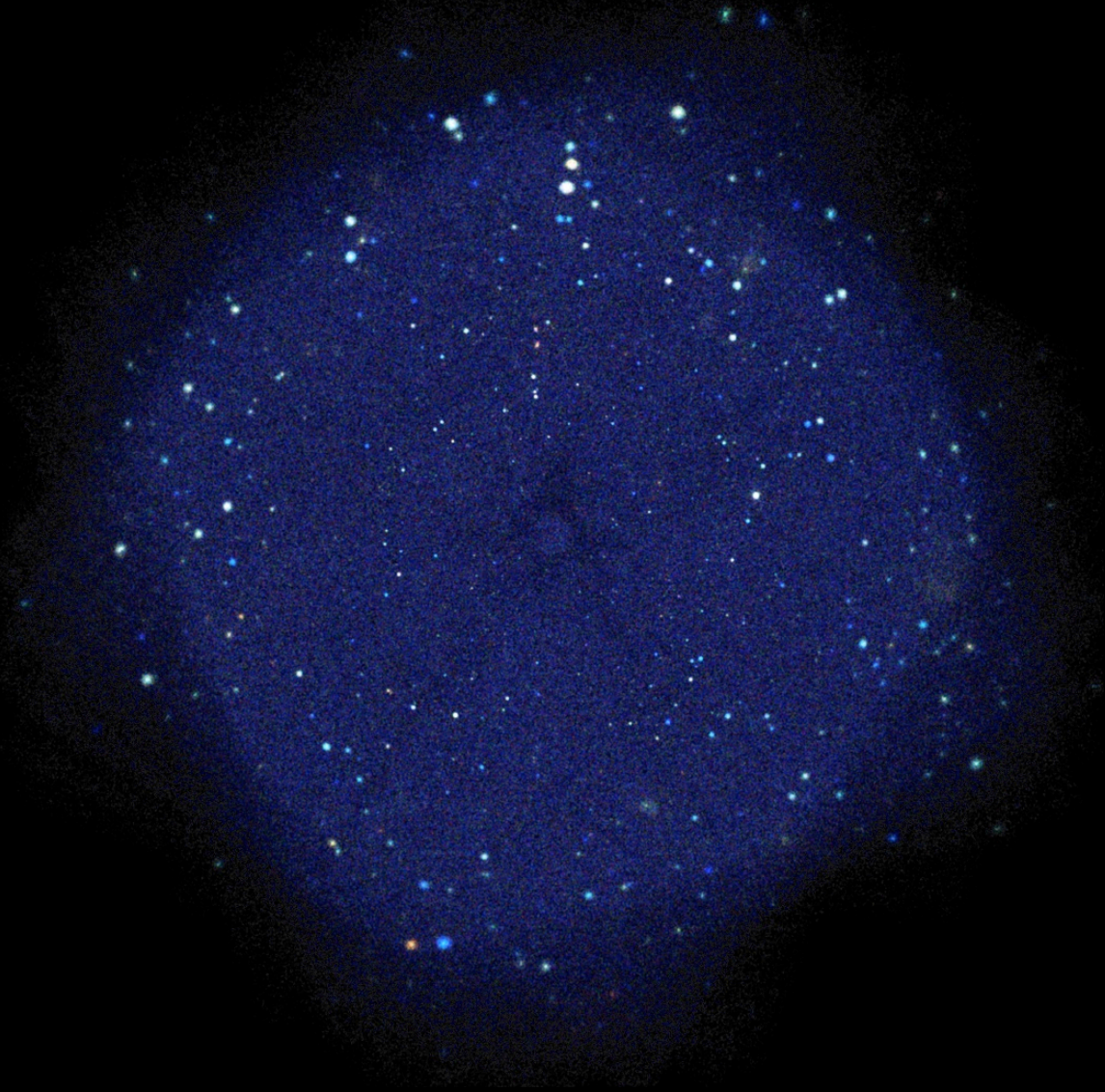
"Large" area X-ray surveys



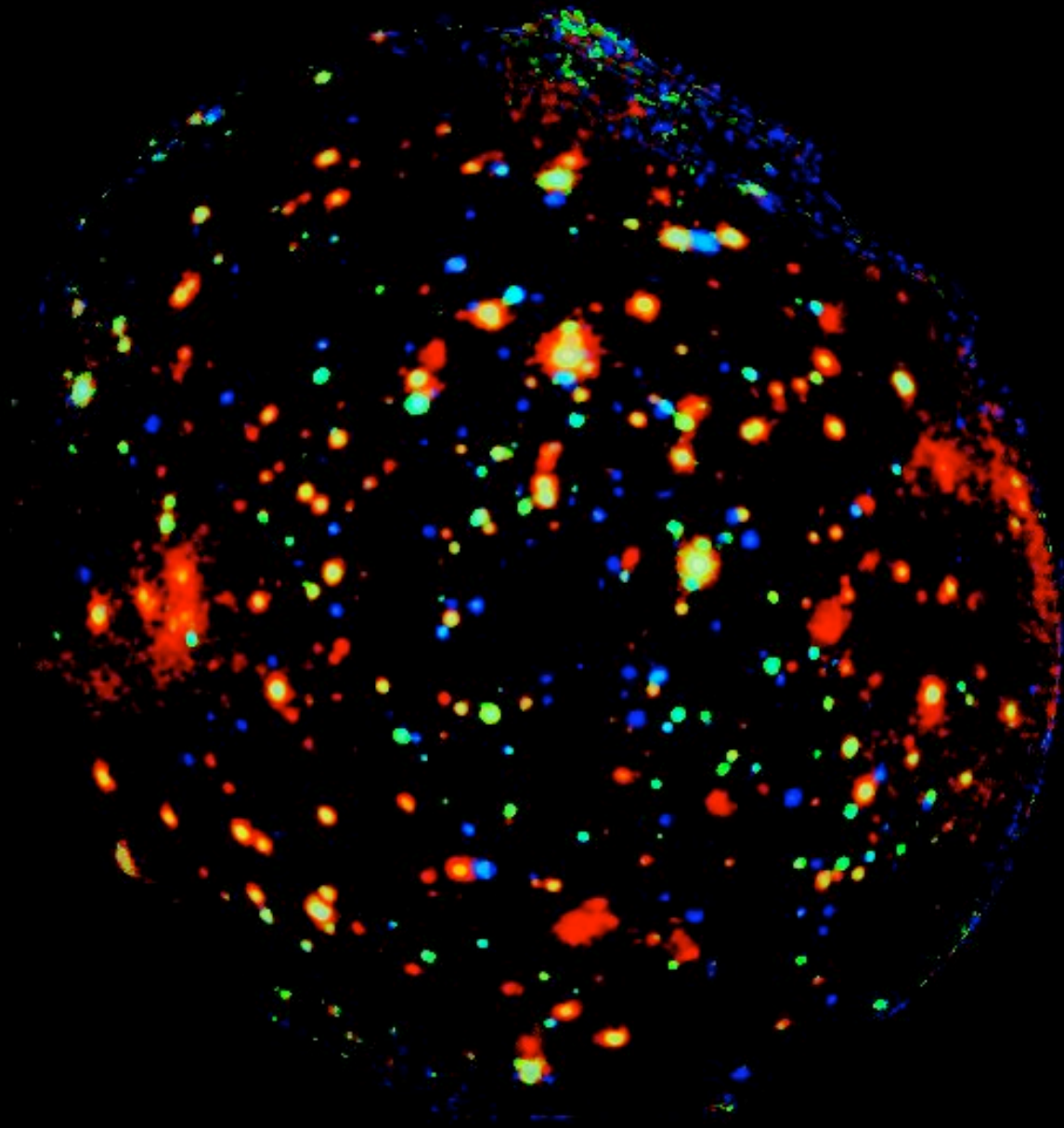
Very Large & Extra Large

XXL Pierre talk
XMM SS Watson talk

Deep Chandra (4 Ms) and XMM (3Ms) surveys of the CDFS



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$\sim 0.3 \text{ deg}^2$

Goals:

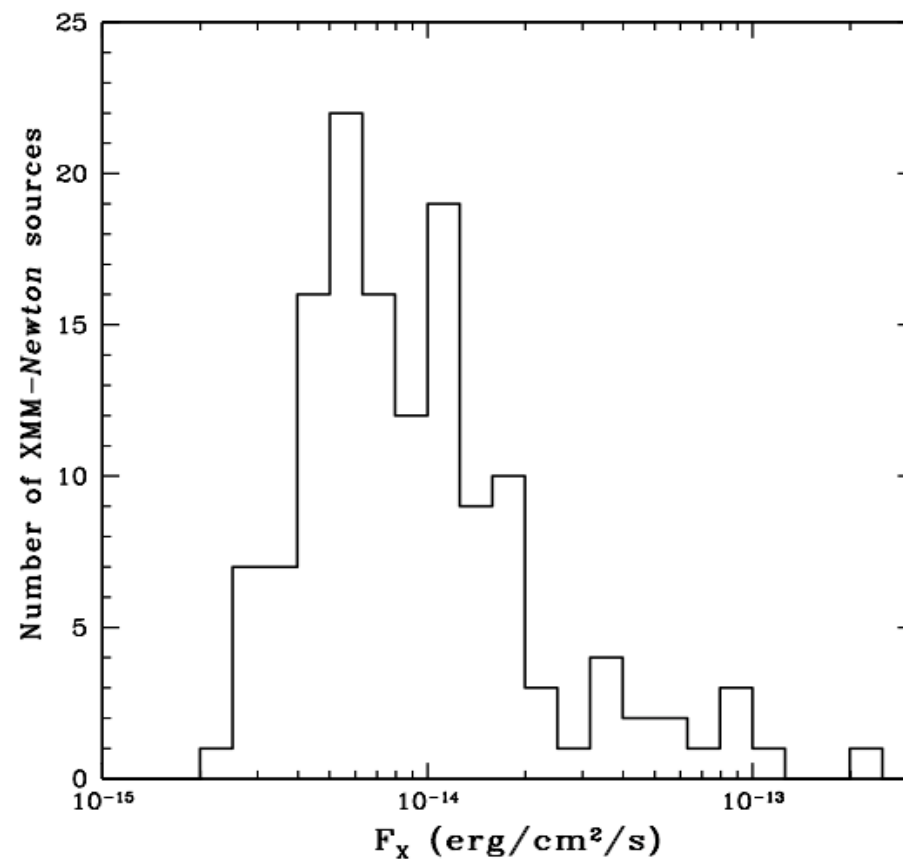
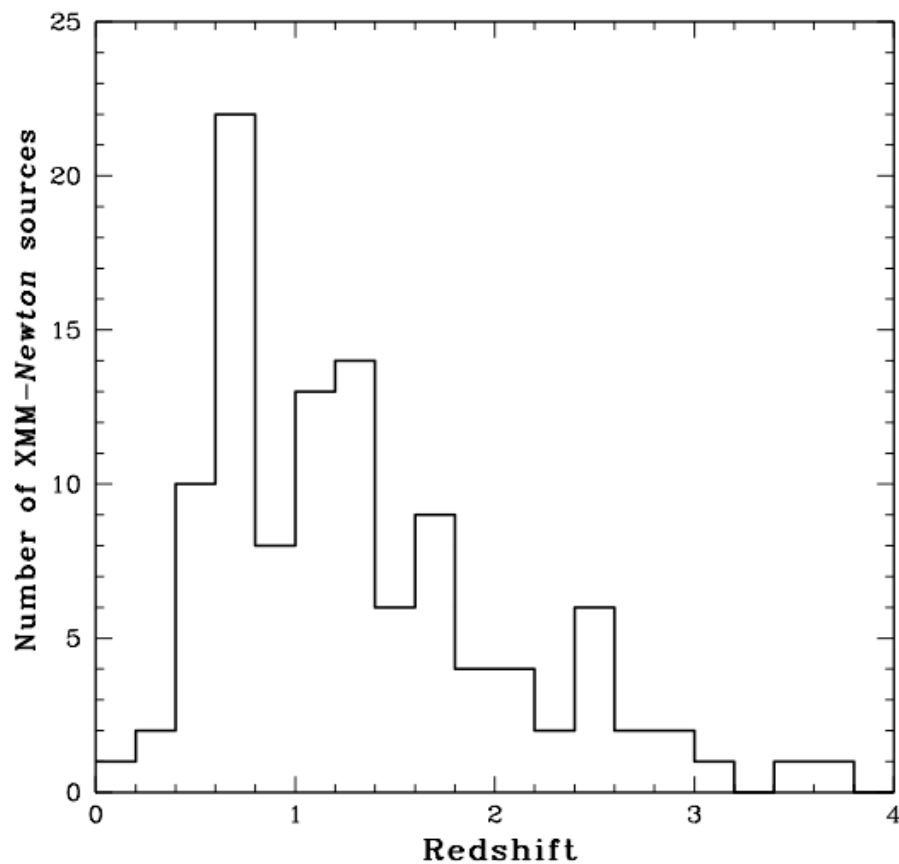
Resolve the XRB in
the 5-10 keV band

Fine spectroscopy
of distant heavily
obscured AGN

red = 0.4 -1 keV
green = 1 - 2 keV
blue = 2 -8 keV

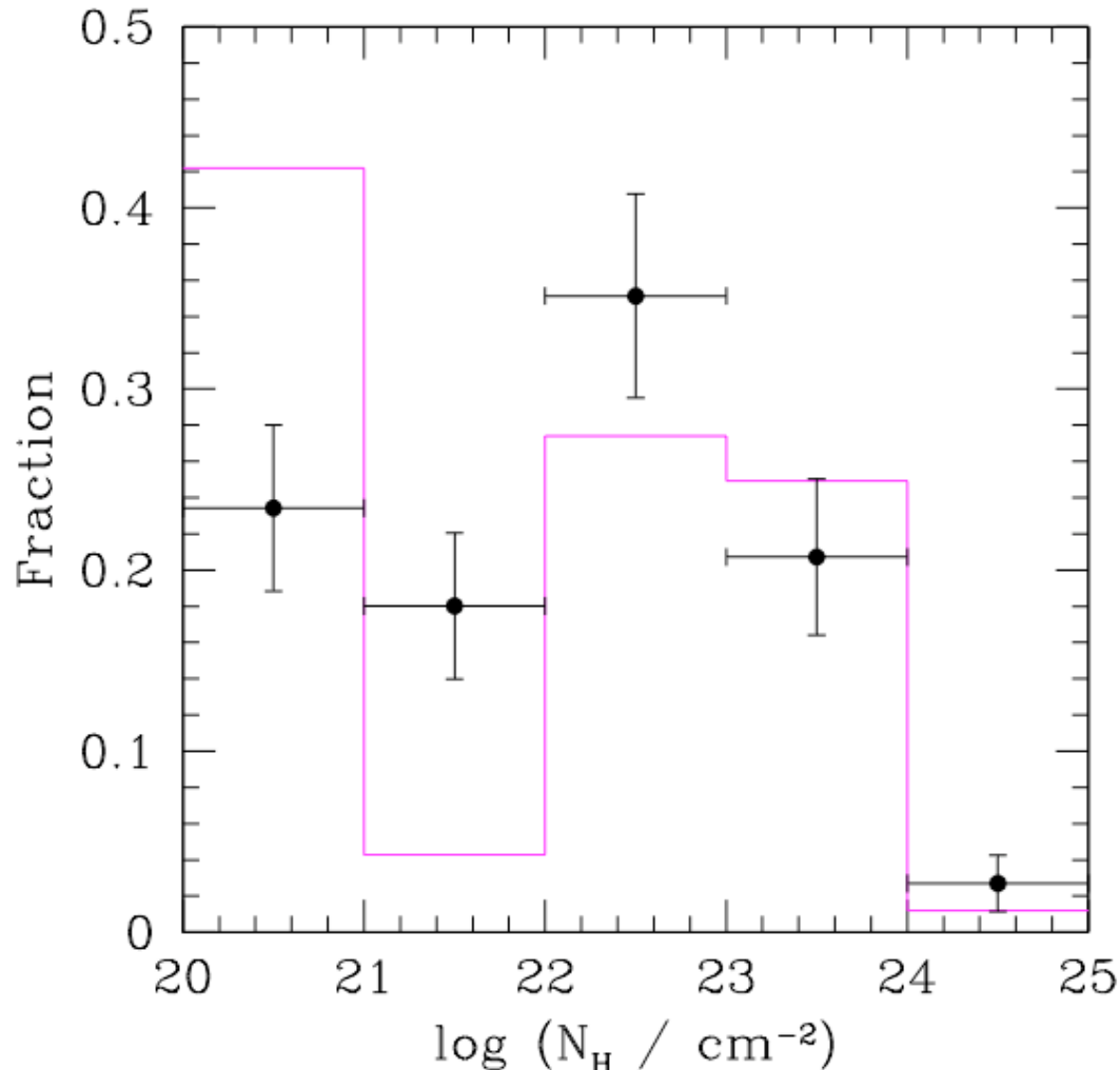
Spectral Analysis

Bright sample -> 130 sources



2-10 keV, >10 σ AND 1 Ms exposure

Absorption Distribution

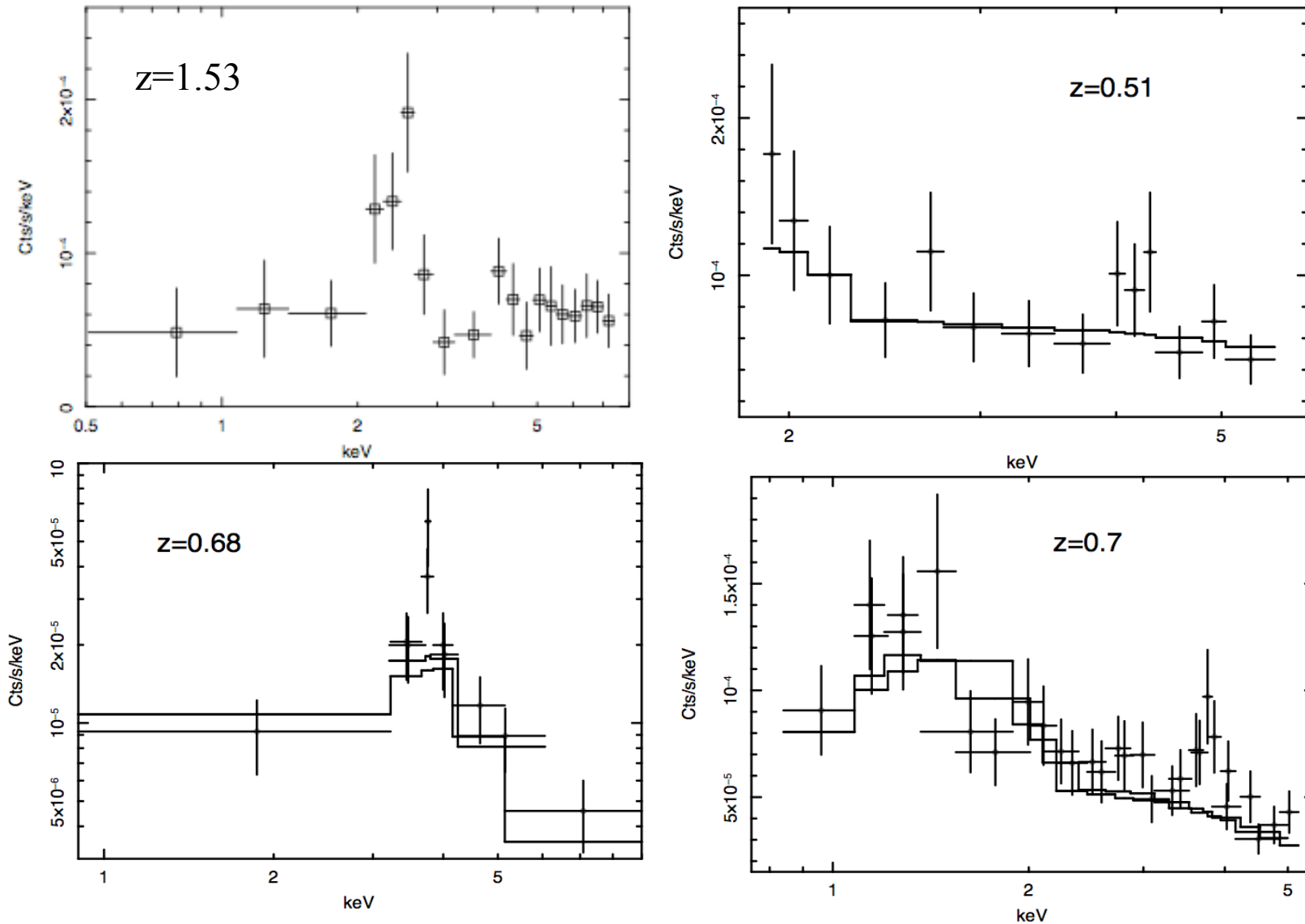


Observed
vs
Predicted (GCH07)
(folded with sky cov.)

$\log N_H < 22$?

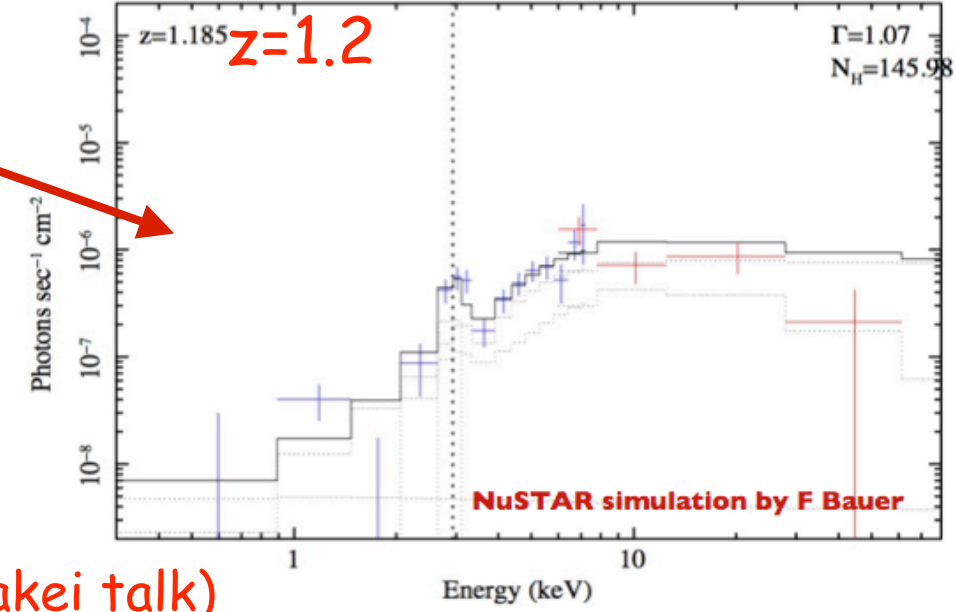
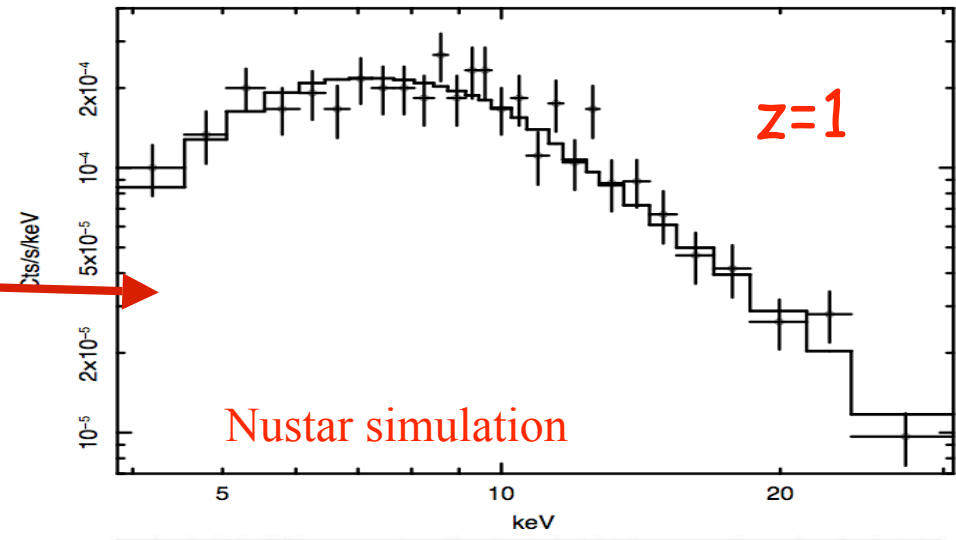
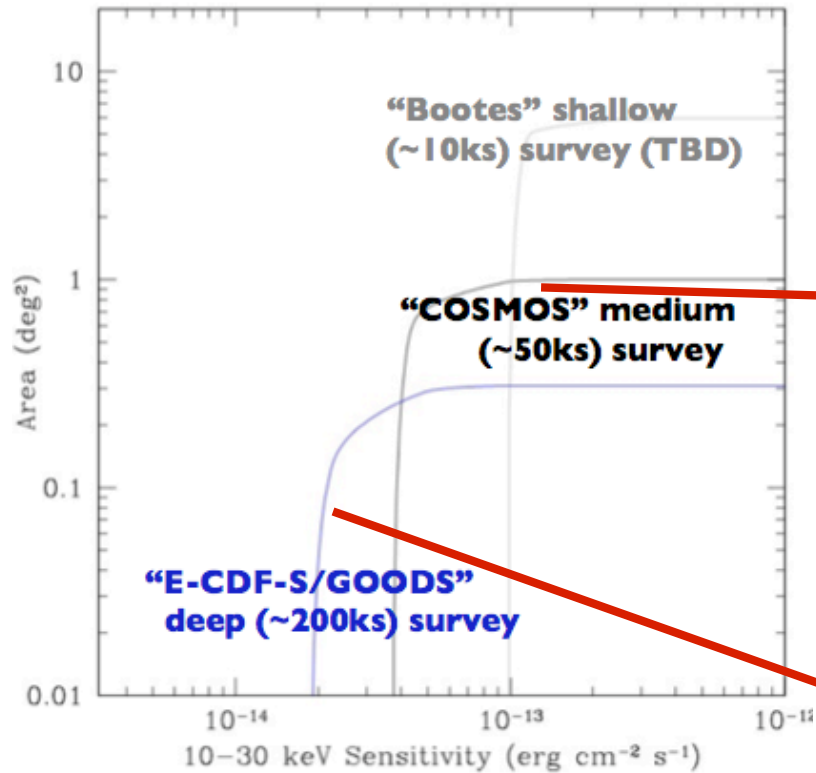
Uncertainties
associated to N_H
measurements at low
column densities
Or
revise model
parameters

Distant C-thick AGN in the XMM-CDFS



4 out of ~ 50 (Herschel sub-sample) reflection dominated!

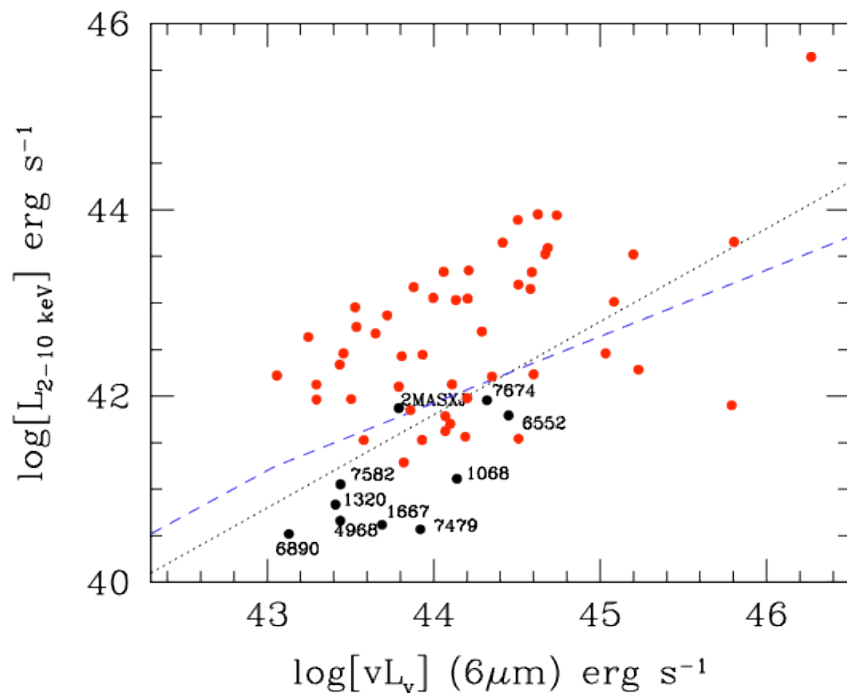
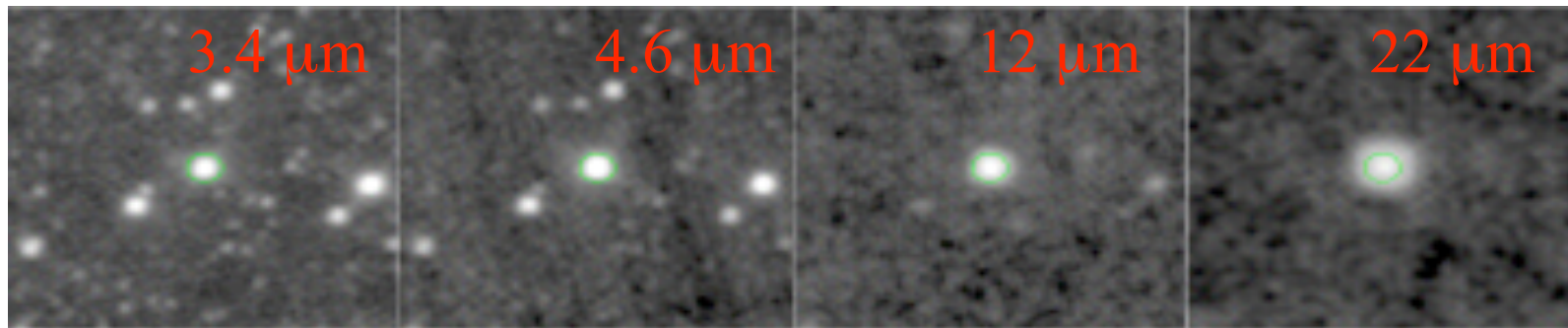
Compton thick AGN (> 10 keV)



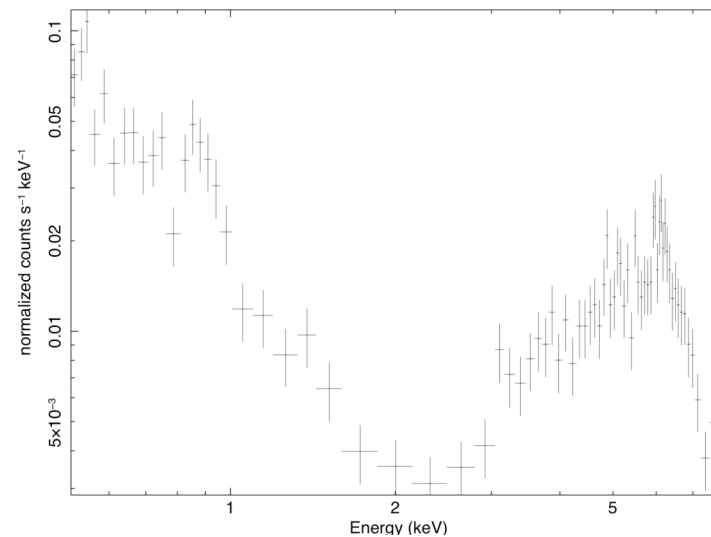
NuSTAR survey strategy
(Harrison talk)

Bright tail (local Universe)
accessible by ART-XC
(Pavlinsky talk) and ASTRO-H (Takei talk)

Heavily Obscured AGN: IR selection

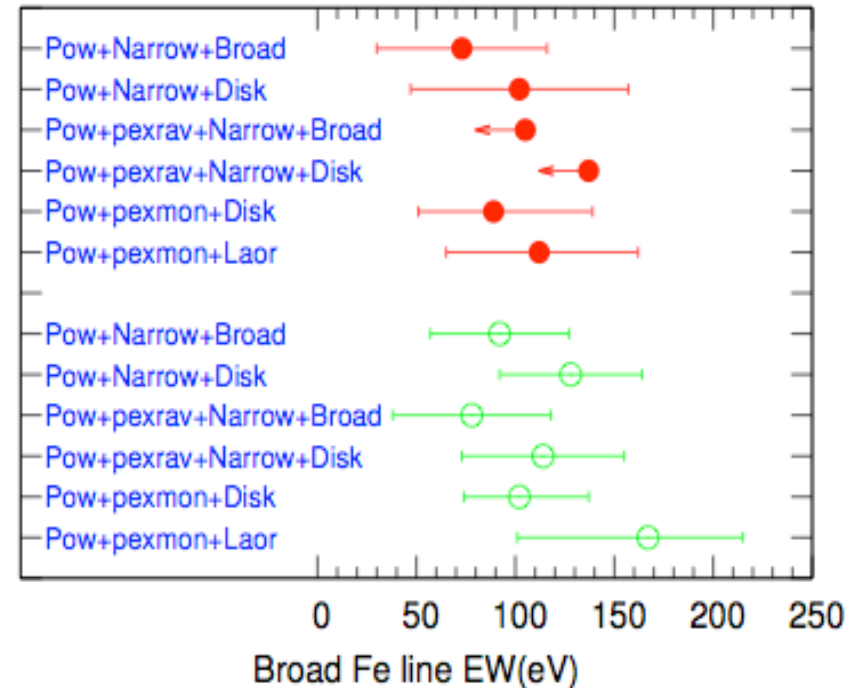
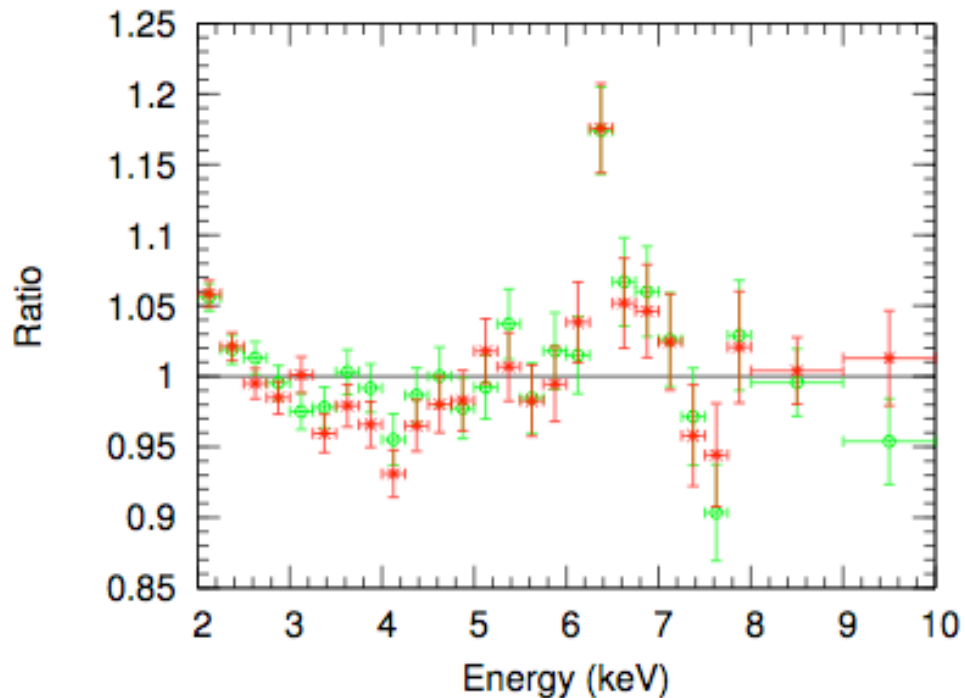


WISE Images



Georgantopoulos+11 & poster

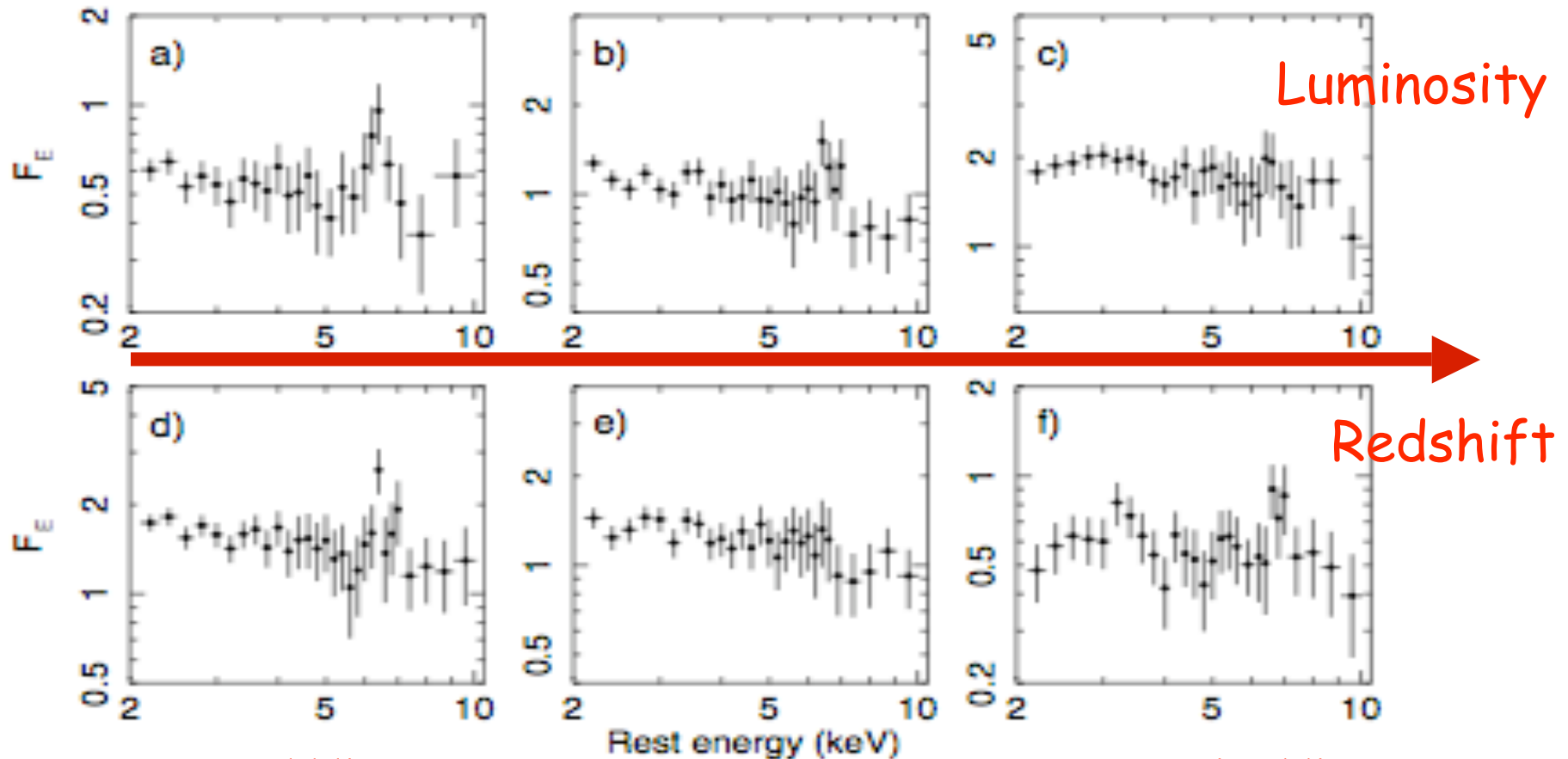
Stacking



250 sources from 2XMM relatively low redshift
200,000 counts in the 2-10 keV (all sources)

Chaudhary+11 arXiv yesterday

Stacking-XMM-COSMOS



Cold line

Ionized line

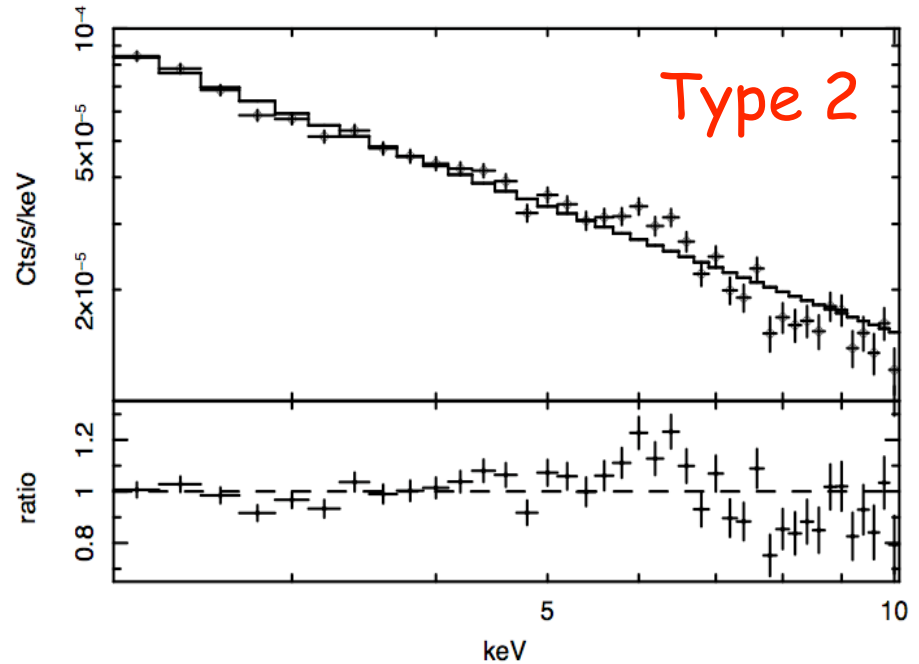
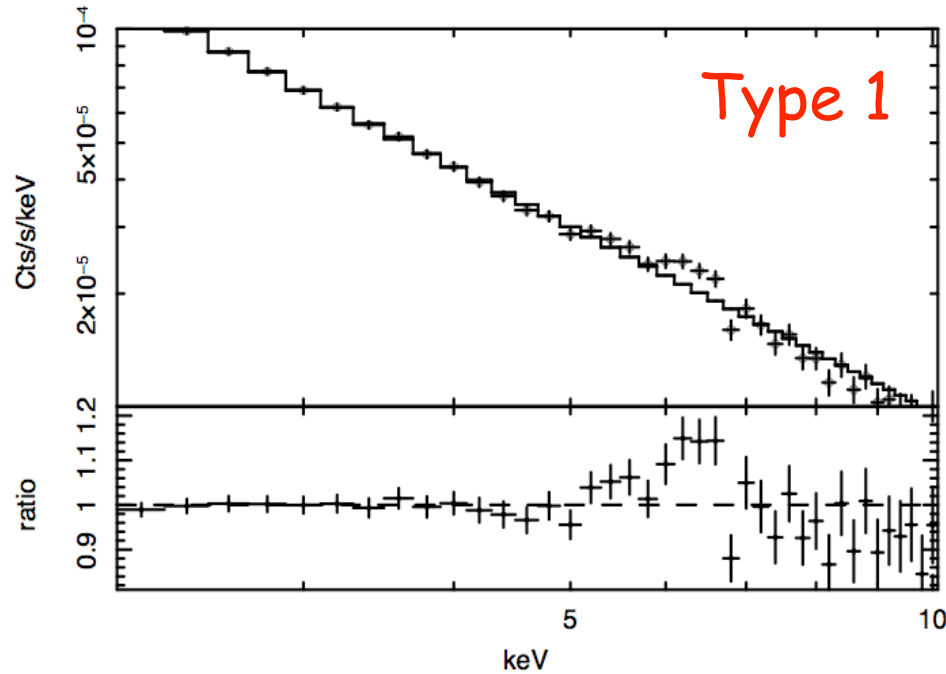
130-200 eV

Type 2 AGN Iwasawa+11 submitted

~29,000 counts

Iron intensity and energy (ionization) are L & z dependent

Stacking-XMM-CDFs

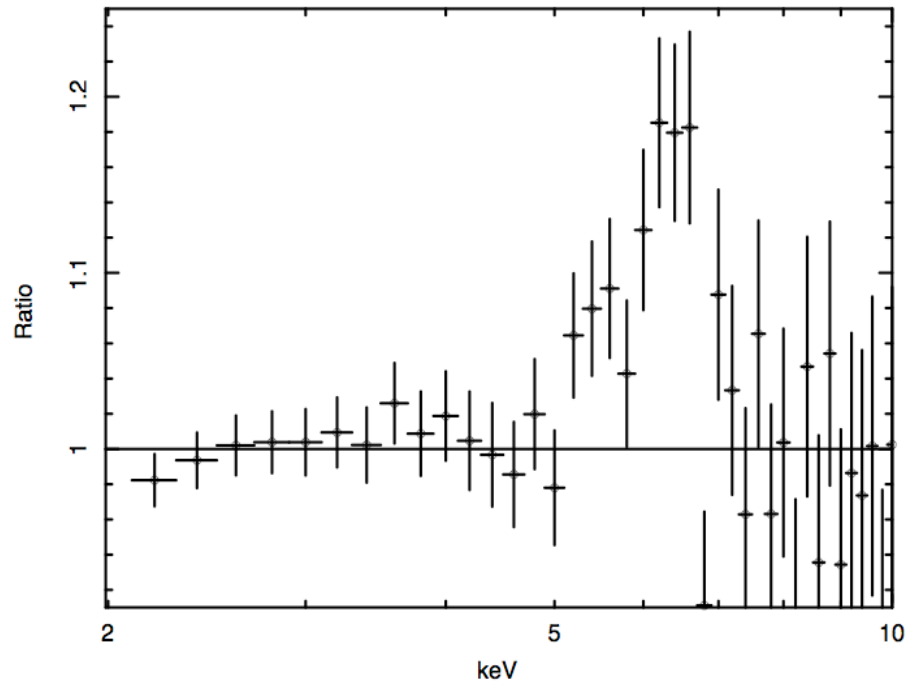


6.4 & 6 keV lines
Photo-z unc?

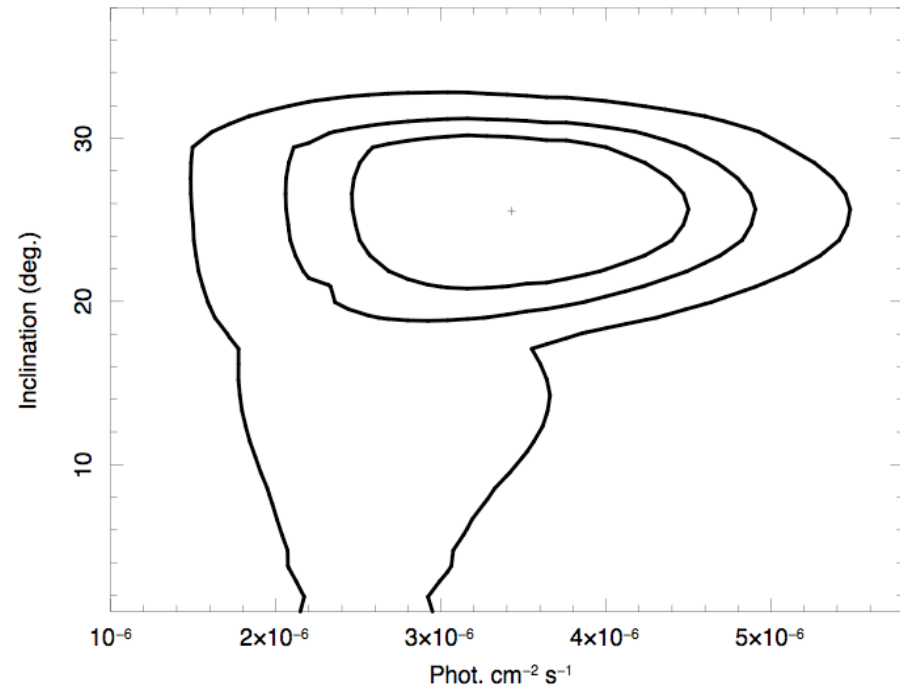
- > 100,000 counts "Type1" un-obscured NOTBLAGN
- >~ 60,000 counts "Type 2" obscured -NOT Type 1

Falocco & Iwasawa et al in preparation

Stacking-XMM-CDFS

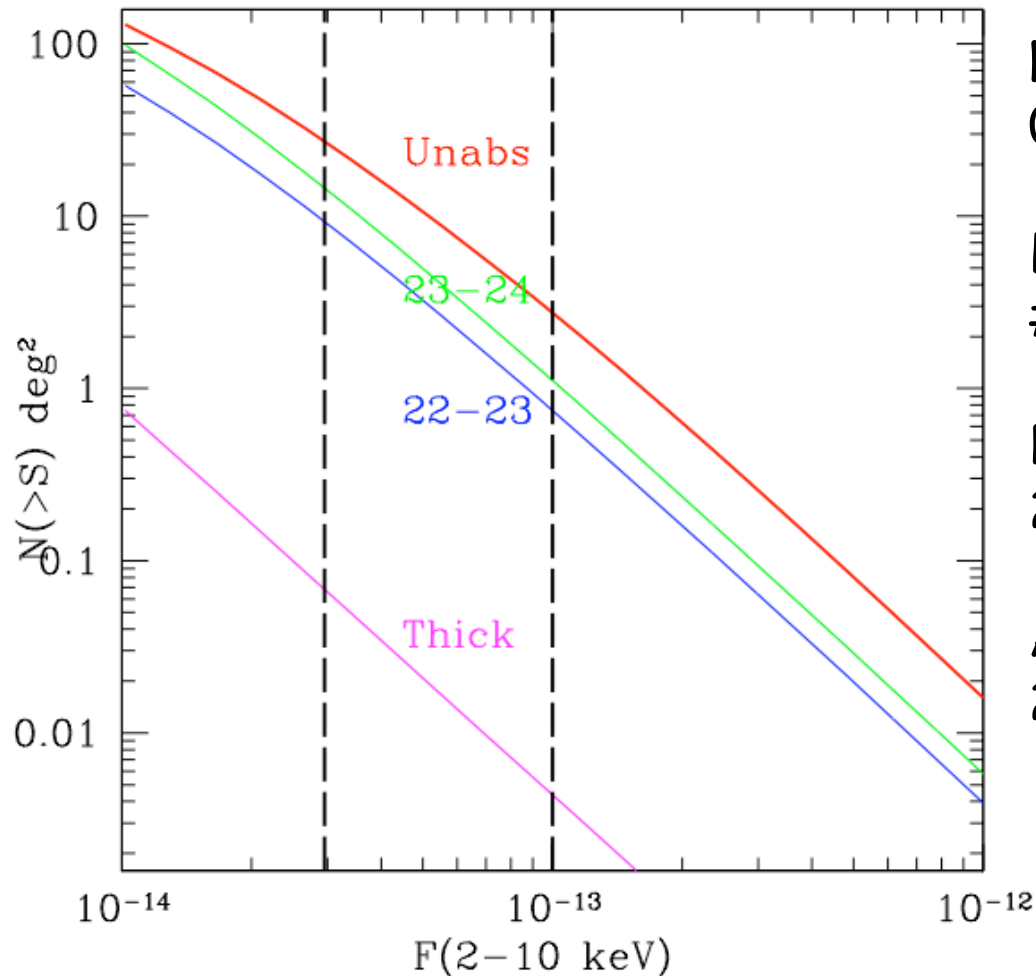


Residuals wrt Power law
fit $\Gamma \sim 1.7$
Line EQW ~ 170 eV



Power law plus R=1 reflection
component plus disk line

eROSITA "grasp"



Number of sources per sq. deg
 $0.5 < z < 3$

Back of the envelope
#Unobs \sim #Thin

Deep survey
 $200 \times 30 \times 30 \sim 90.000$

All Sky
 $20000 \times 3 \times 30 \sim 900.000$

Gilli, AC, Hasinger 2007

Summary

Spectral properties of obscured AGN are being studied by current satellites (XMM and Chandra)

Limited by the relatively low sample sizes

Well defined samples (i.e. Unobscured in XMM with spectro-z) may constrain iron line average properties

eROSITA (all-sky+ deep surveys)

Large samples -> populate L , z , N_H , ... bins

Need: Large Redshifts Surveys &
Spectral Products