



# High-resolution X-ray spectroscopy of cool A-type stars

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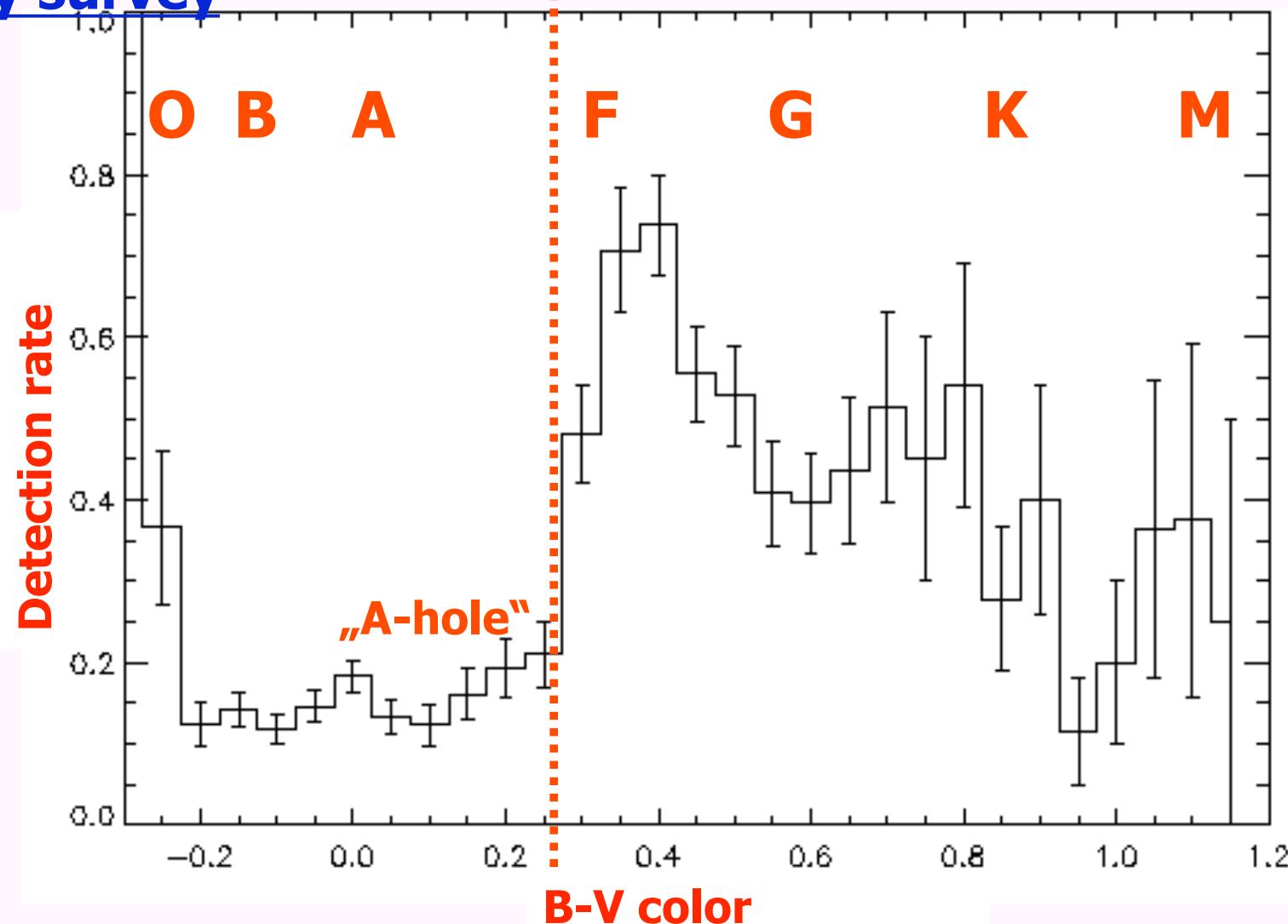
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# Topics:

- ❖ Altair: The hottest cool star
- ❖ HD 163296: X-rays from a shocked outflow ?
- ❖  $\beta$  Pic:      ????

# Detection rate of bright stars in ROSAT- (flux limited sample)

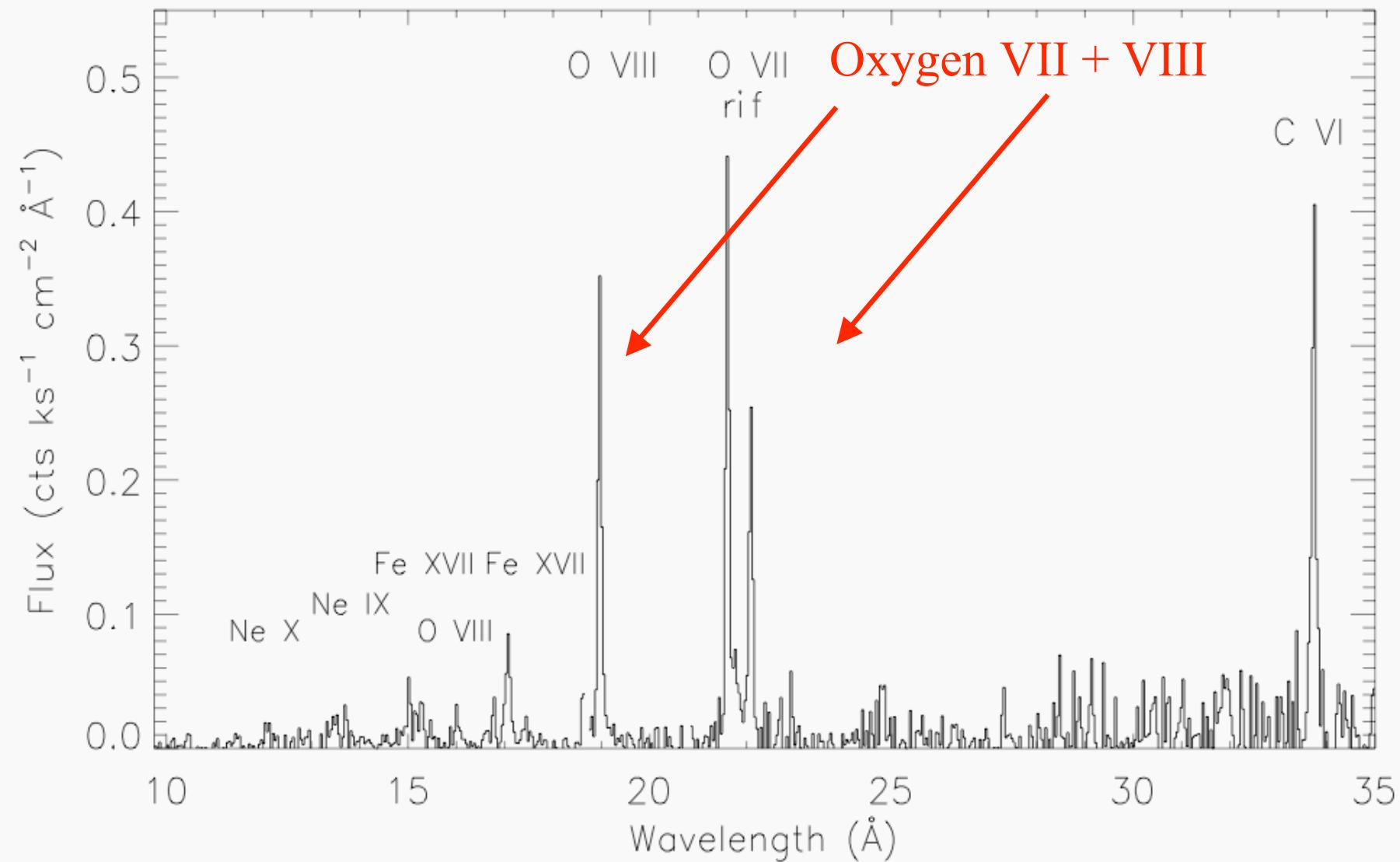
all sky survey



Schröder & Schmitt (2007)

„Onset“ of outer convection zones

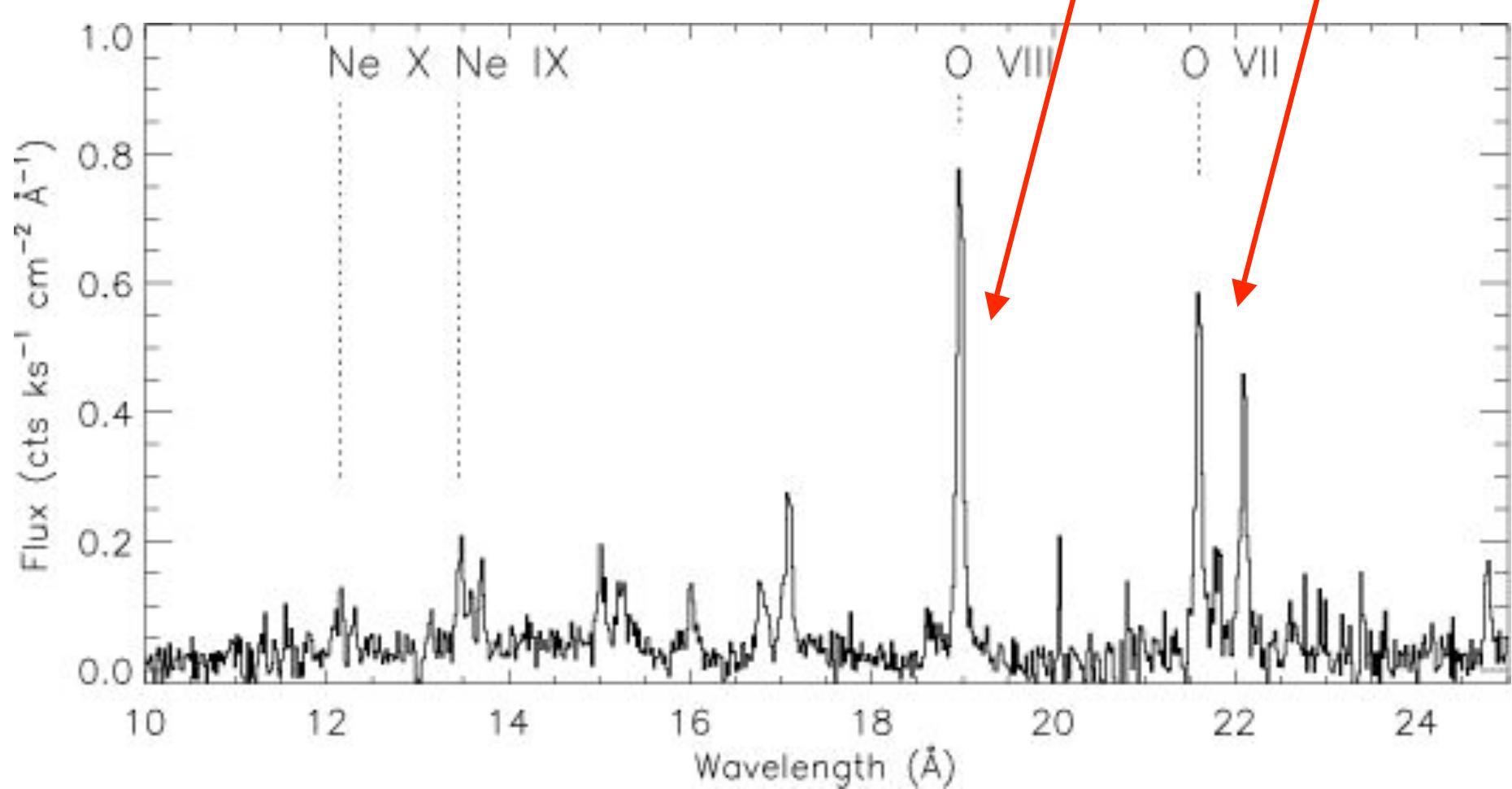
# Altair -- the hottest cool star: XMM-Newton RGS



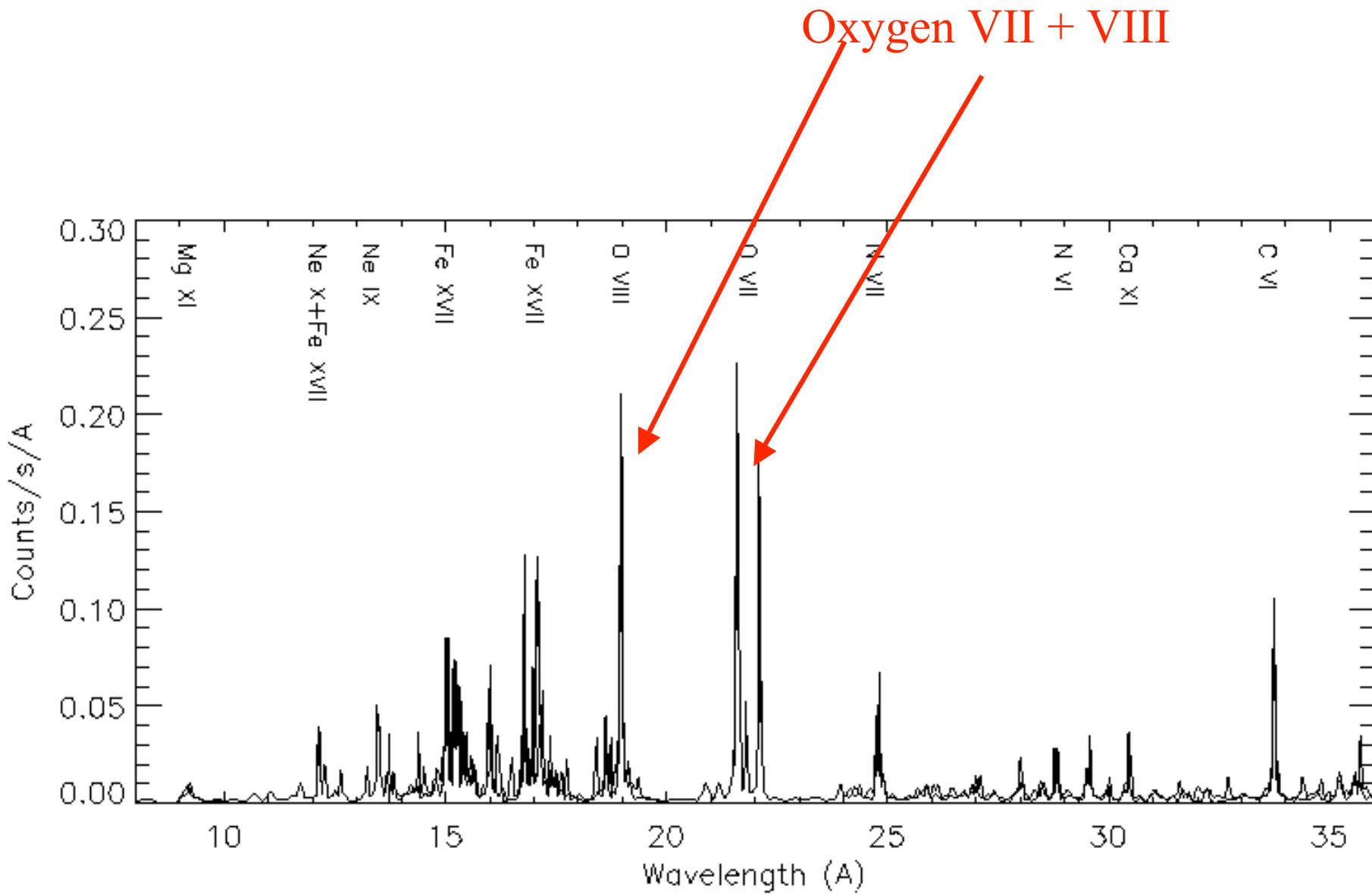
Robrade & Schmitt (2009)

61 Cygni

Oxygen VII + VIII

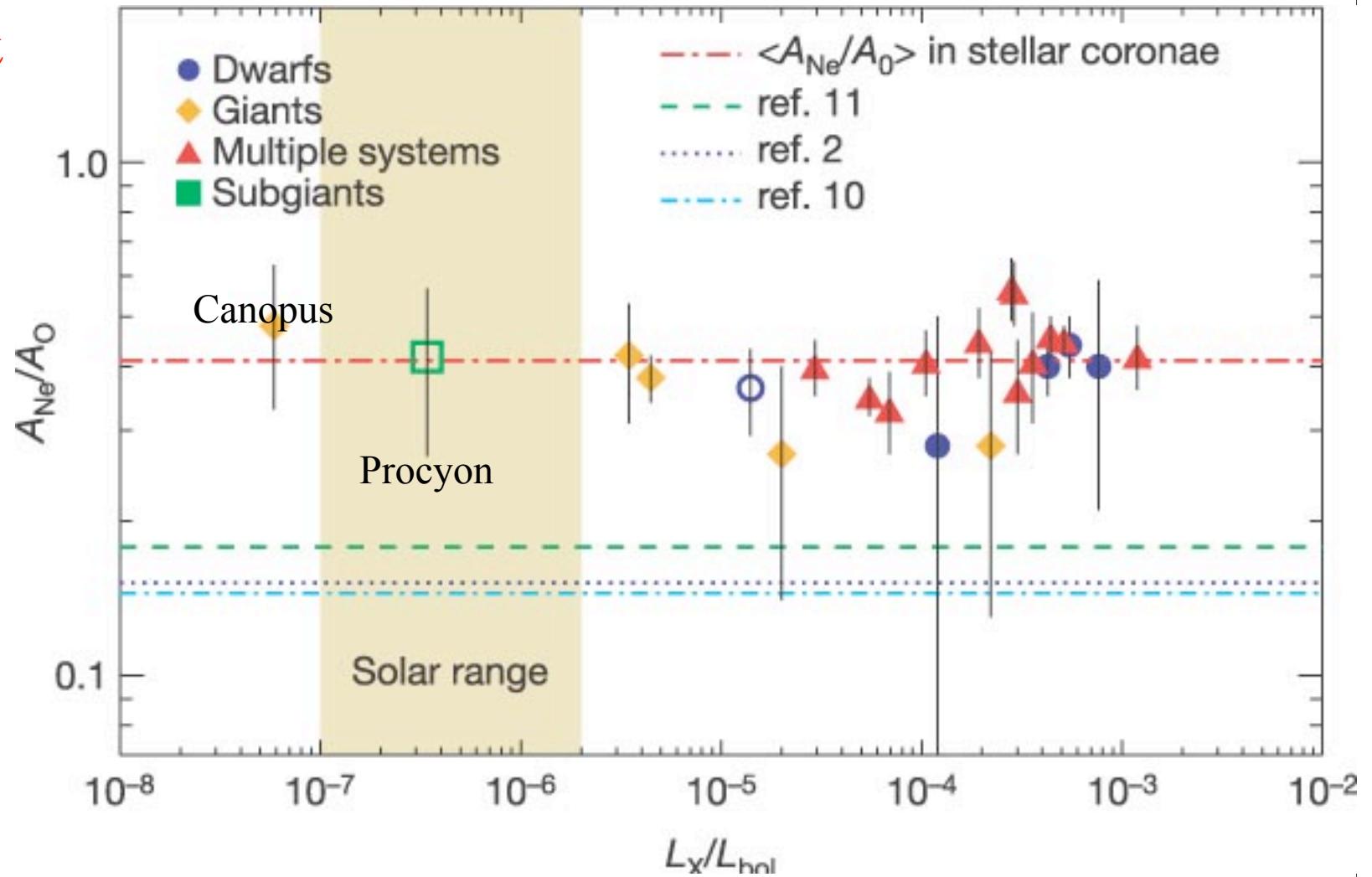


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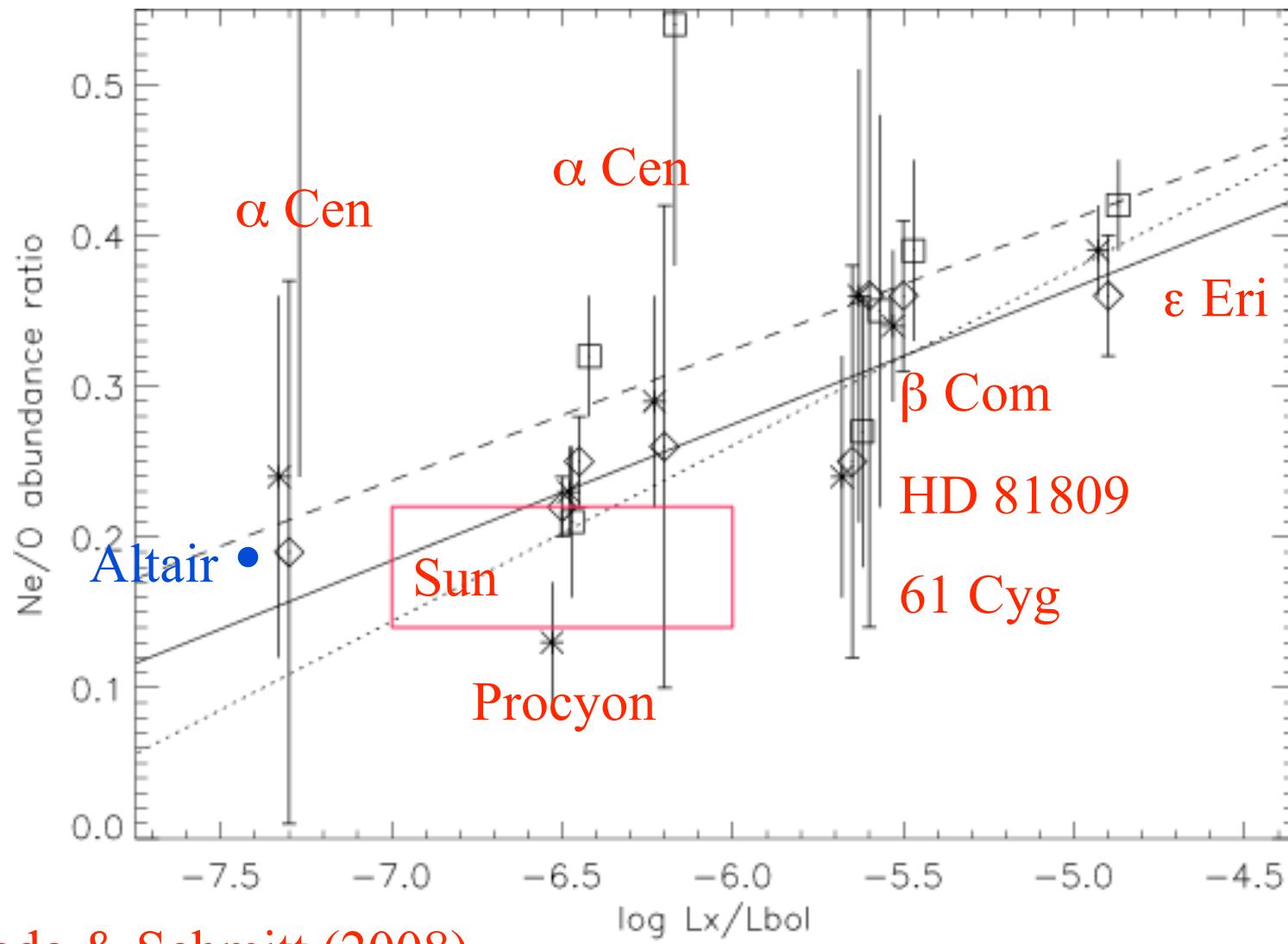


XMM-Newton RGS: α Centauri A+B (Liefke & Schmitt  
2006)

Drake &  
Testa  
(2005)



Suggestion: Increased neon abundance  
typical for local cosmos at large

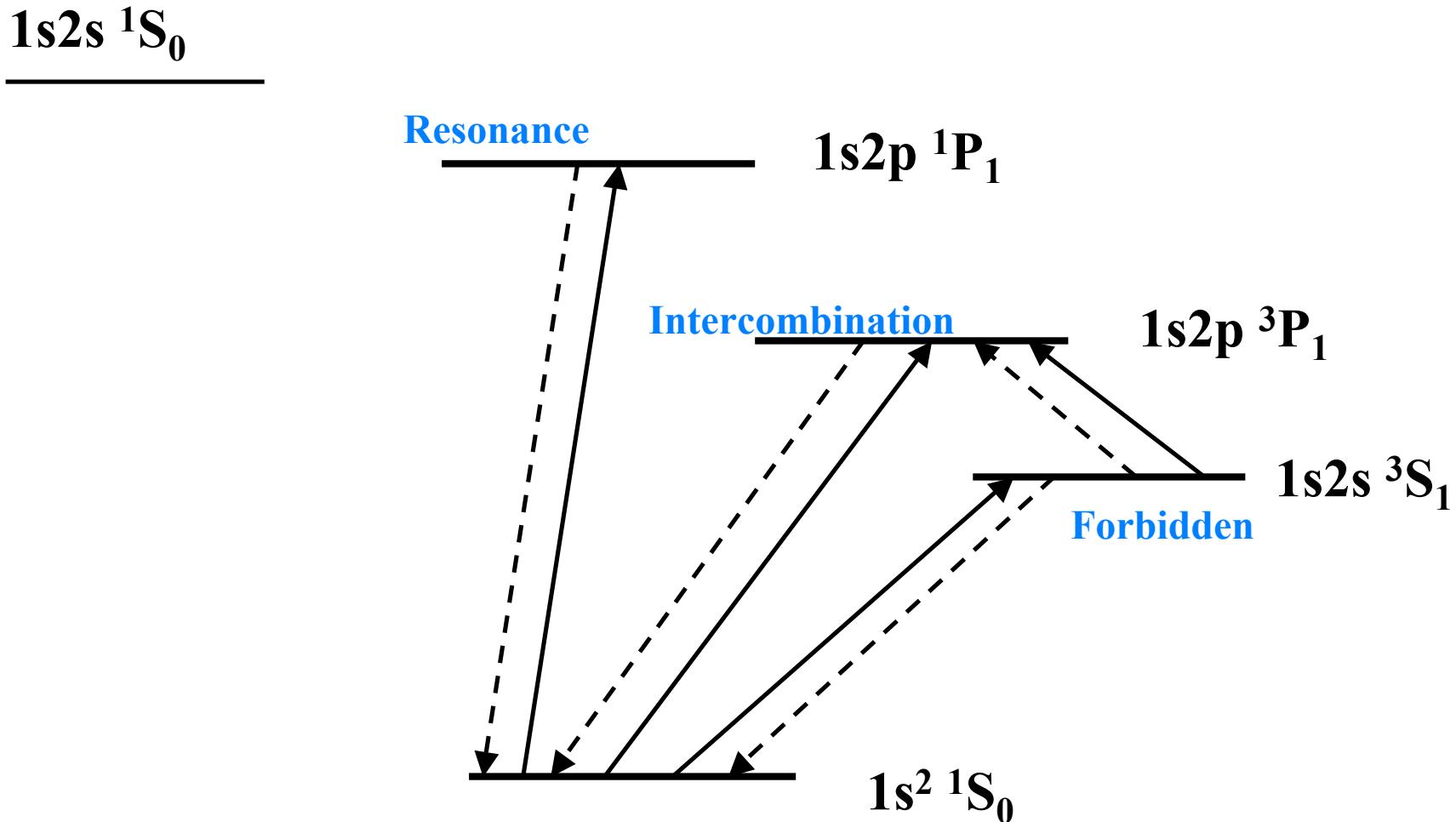


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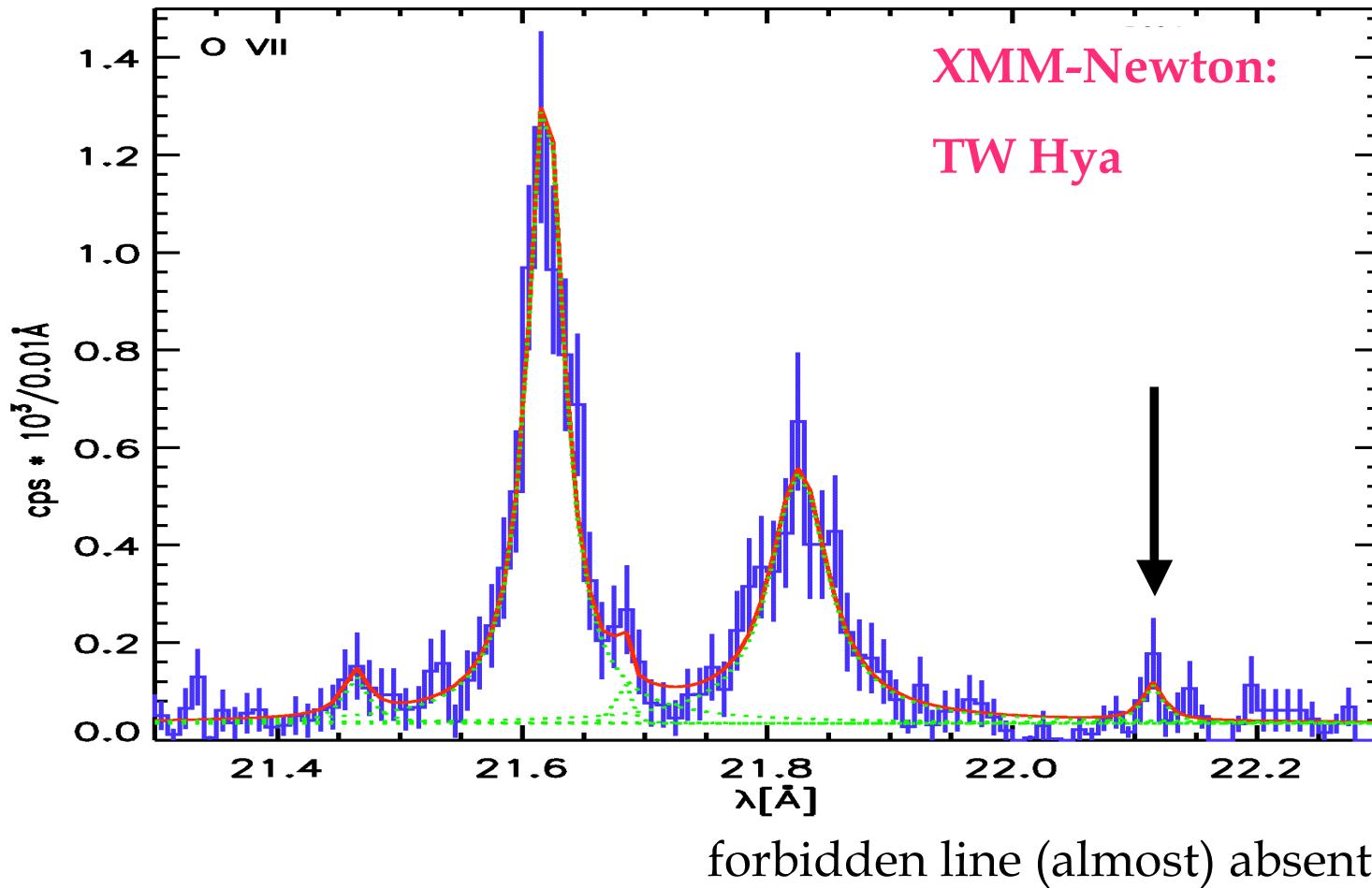
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Altair:  $\text{Ne}/\text{O} = 0.20 \pm 0.05, 0.19 \pm 0.07, 0.17 \pm 0.04, 0.24 \pm 0.07$

# Energy levels for He-like ions

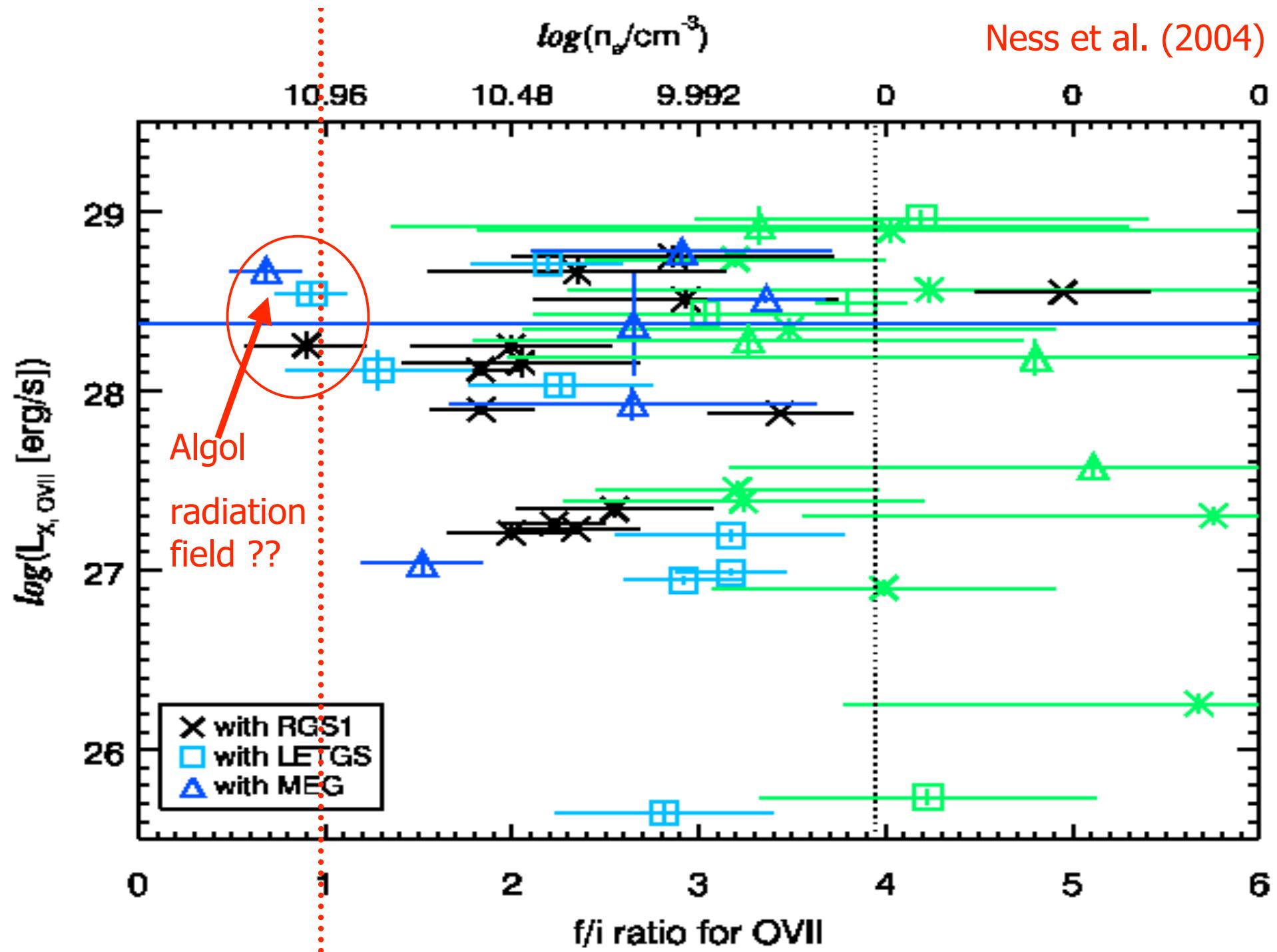


## X-ray spectrum of TW Hya (CTTS): OVII triplet



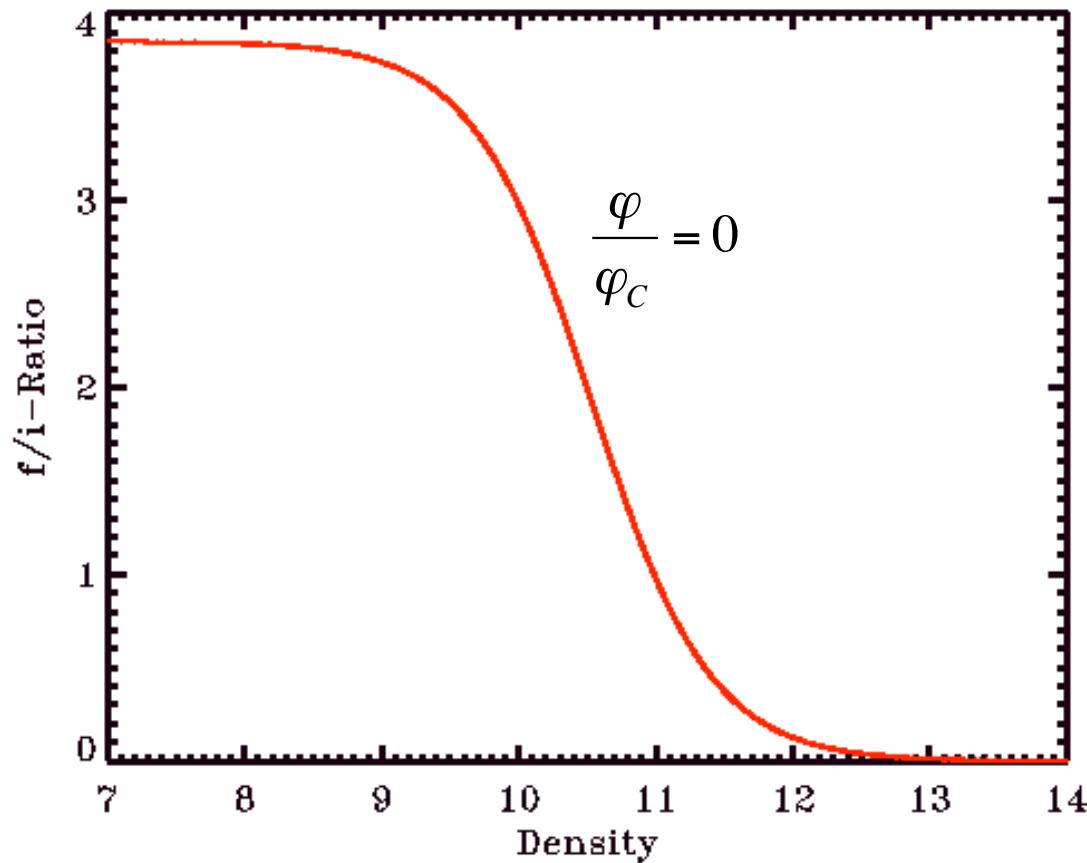
XMM-RGS: Stelzer & Schmitt (2004)

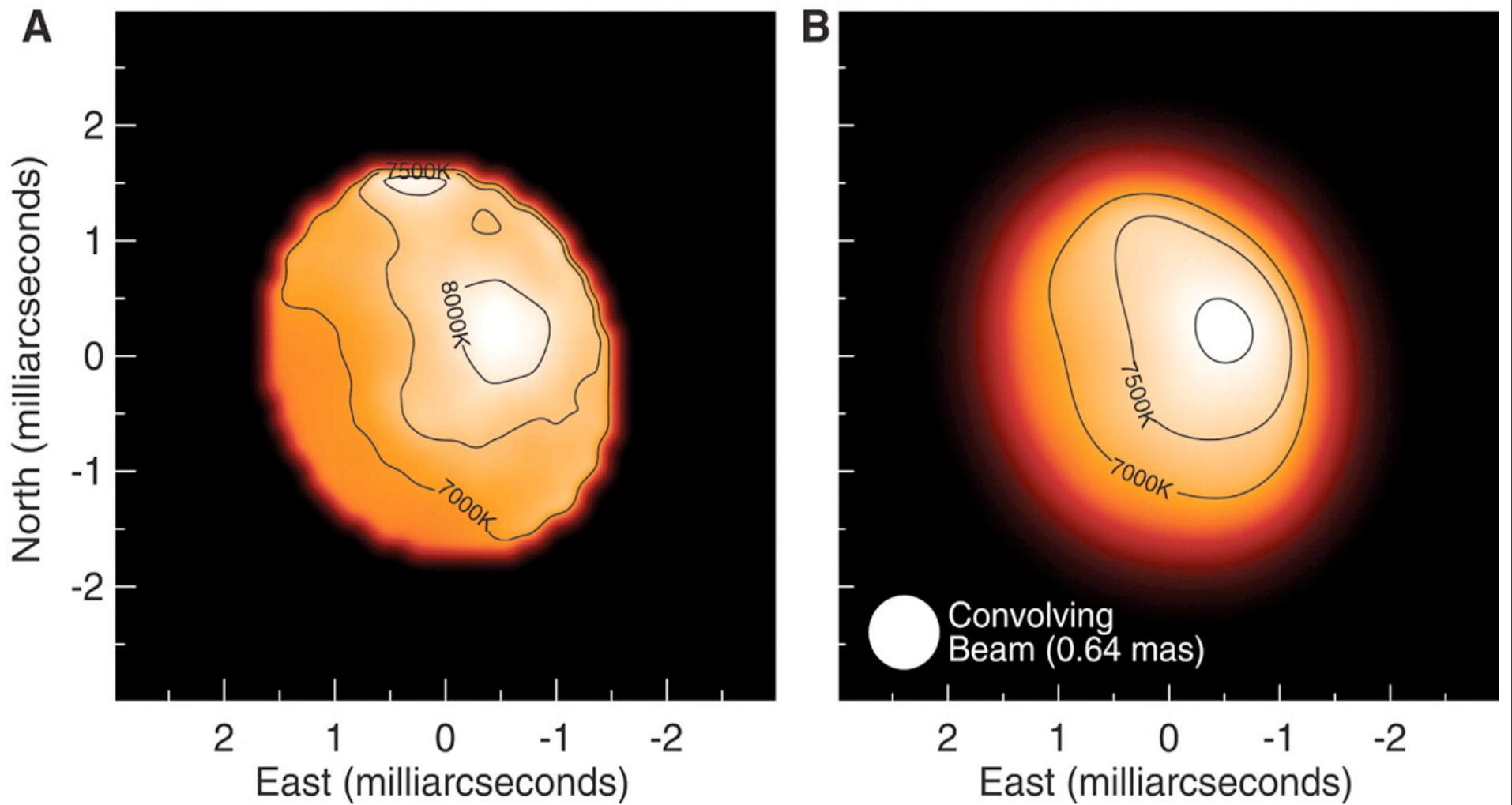
Chandra: Kastner et al. (2002)



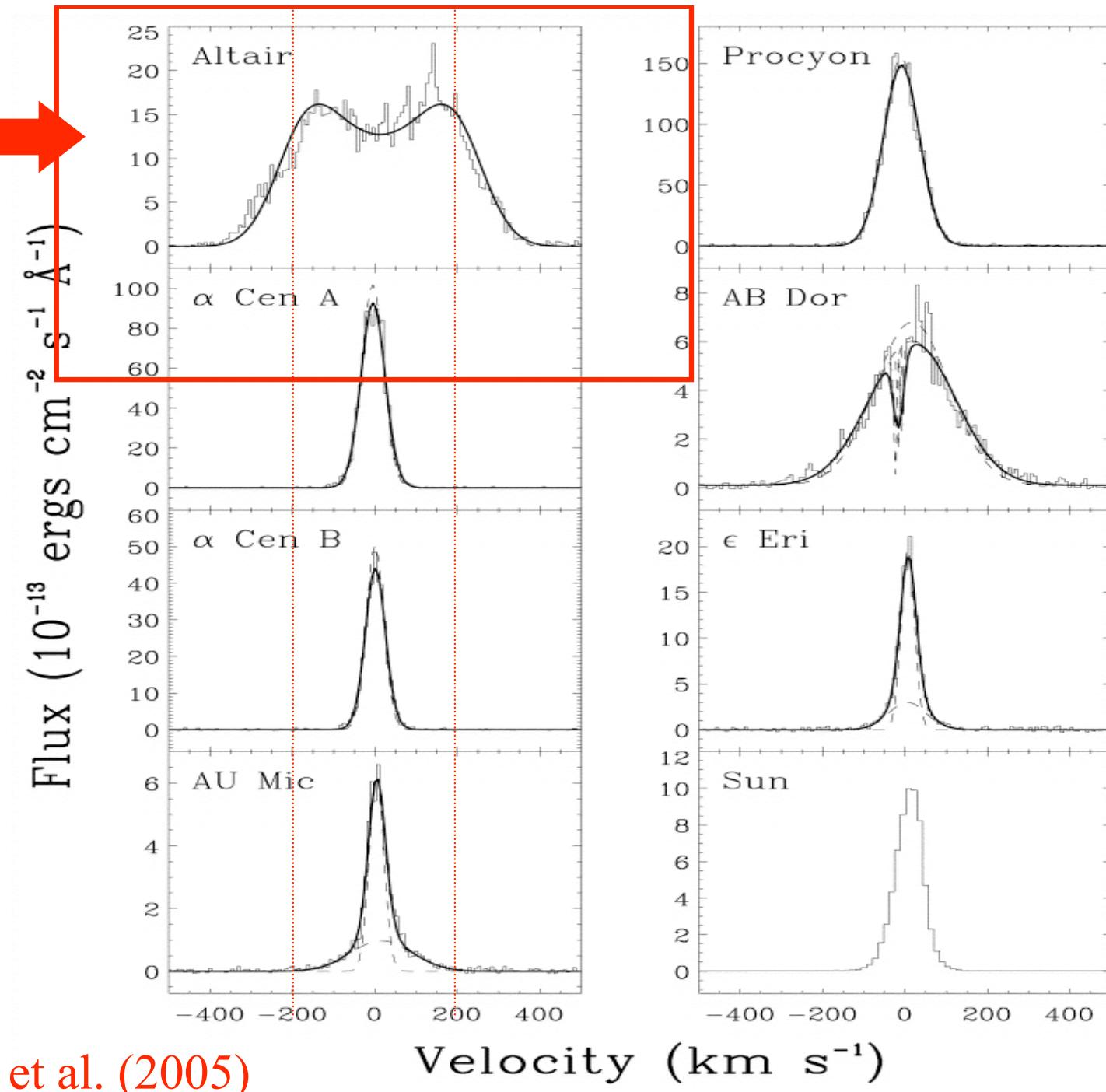
# How do we obtain coronal densities ?

$$R = \frac{f}{i} = \frac{R_o}{1 + \frac{\varphi}{\varphi_c} + \frac{N_e}{N_c}}$$

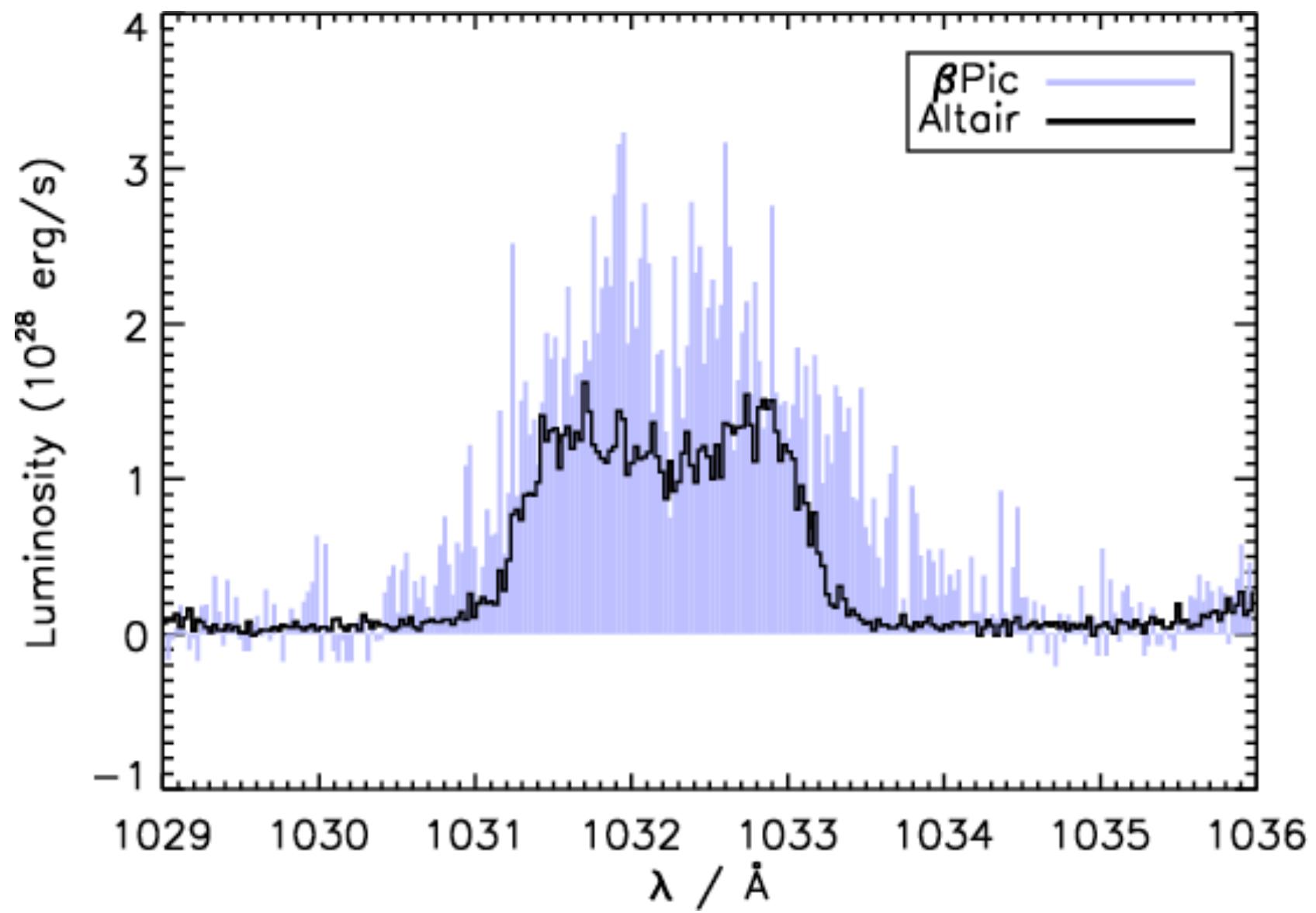




Monnier et al. (2007)



Redfield et al. (2005)



Hempel et al. (2005)

## X-rays from $\beta$ Pic

Energy (keV)	Source region			Scaled background			SRC/BG	Probabi	
	MOS1	MOS2	$\Sigma$	MOS1	MOS2	$\Sigma$		PPM1	PPM2
0.2–0.465	4	7	11	3.9	7.0	10.9	1.0	0.55	0.55
0.465–0.665	7	10	17	2.5	3.6	6.1	2.8	0.014	0.004
0.665–1.0	6	2	8	3.5	3.7	7.2	1.1	0.14	0.88
1.0–2.0	19	11	30	14.3	15.2	29.5	1.0	0.13	0.89
2.0–5.0	15	9	24	11.9	11.4	23.3	1.0	0.22	0.80
5.0–12.0	13	16	29	19.1	18.3	37.4	0.8	0.94	0.74

In energy band 465–665 eV: 17 counts with 6.1  
expected from background ! (Hempel et al. (2005))

# Young stars

## Classical T Tauri Stars (CTTS)

- Spectral type M-F
- Age < 30 Myr
- IR excess
- H $\alpha$  EW > 10 Å
- Cool stars
- X-rays from active corona
- X-rays from accretion and jets

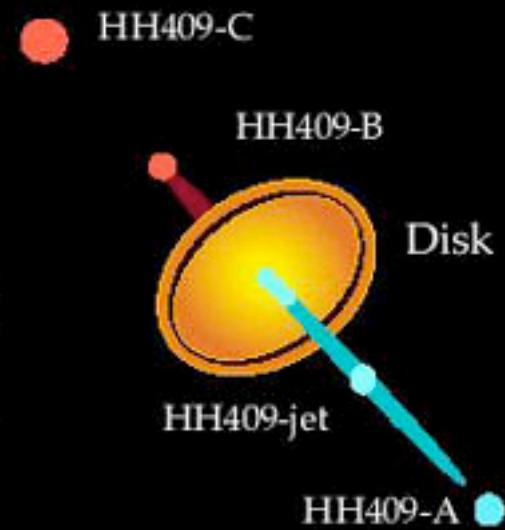
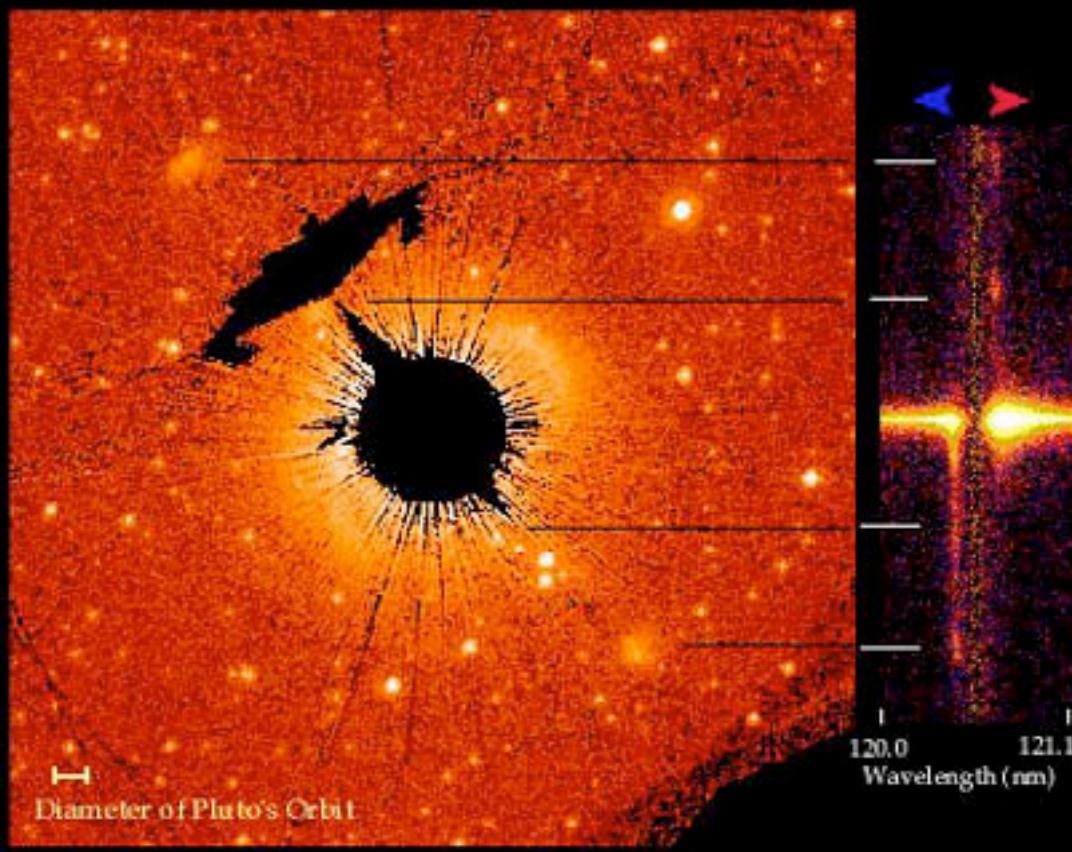
## Herbig Ae/Be Stars (HAeBe)

- Spectral type A-B
- Age < a few Myr
- IR excess
- No convective envelope
- Often unresolved companions
- Very high fraction of X-ray emitters

# HAeBes: X-ray generation

X-ray production emission mechanism  
unknown:

- late-type companion (T Tauri star) ?
- own corona (HAeBes as Ap progenitors) ?
- stellar accretion ?
- shocks in outflows ?

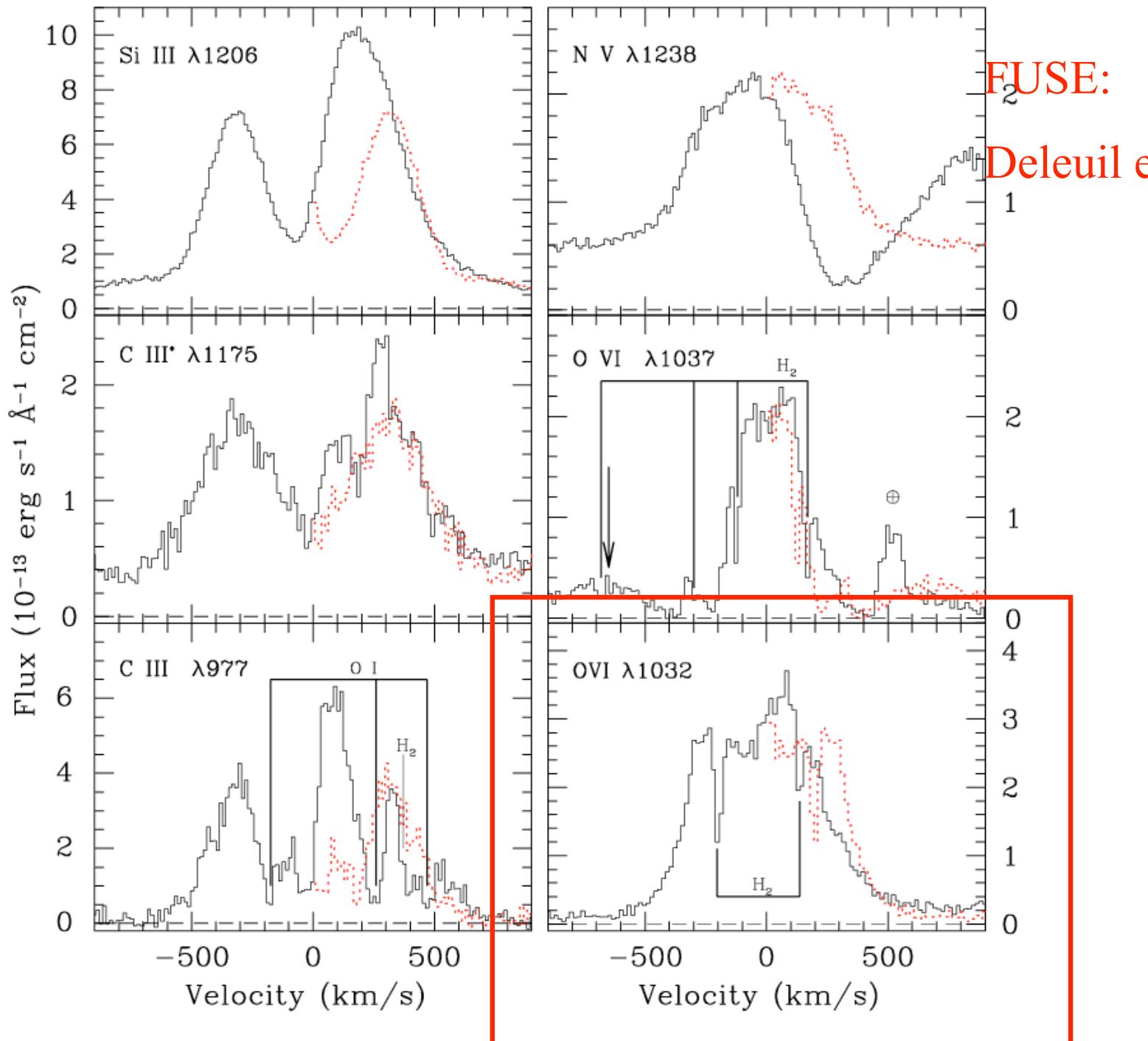


## A Young Planetary System: HD 163296

NASA Goddard Space Flight Center  
and C.A. Grady, D. Devine (NOAO at GSFC)

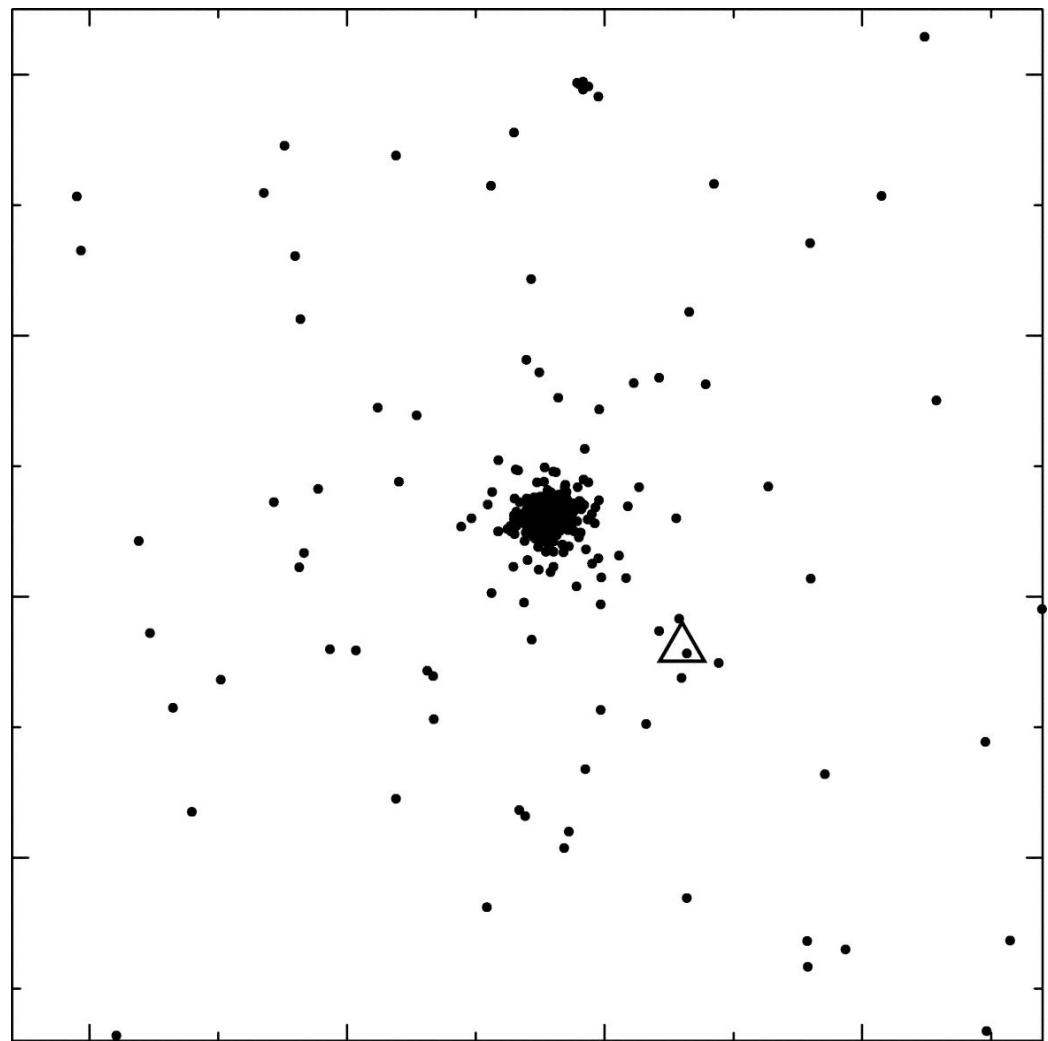
HST • STIS





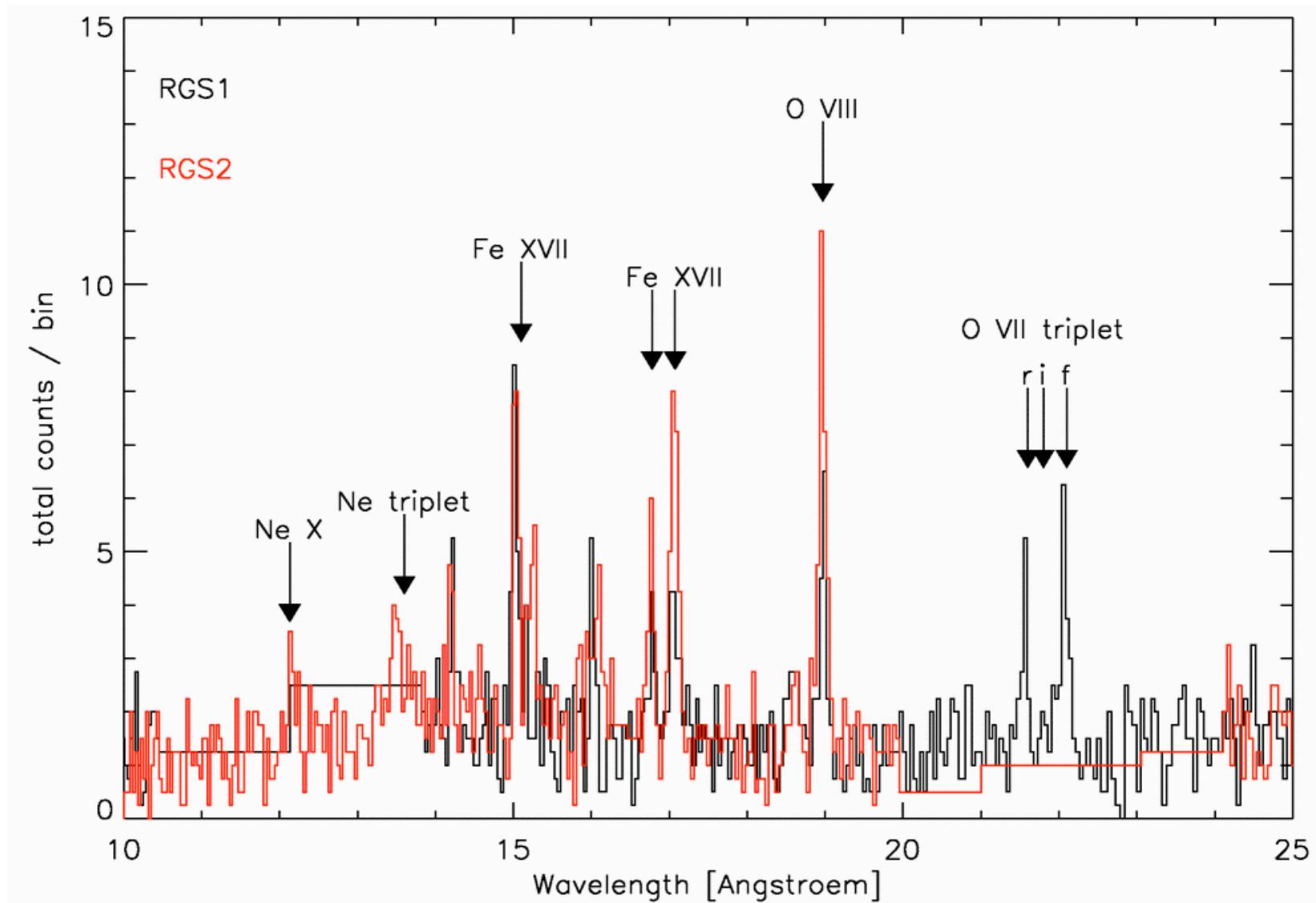
# HAeBe stars

Chandra (20 ks)



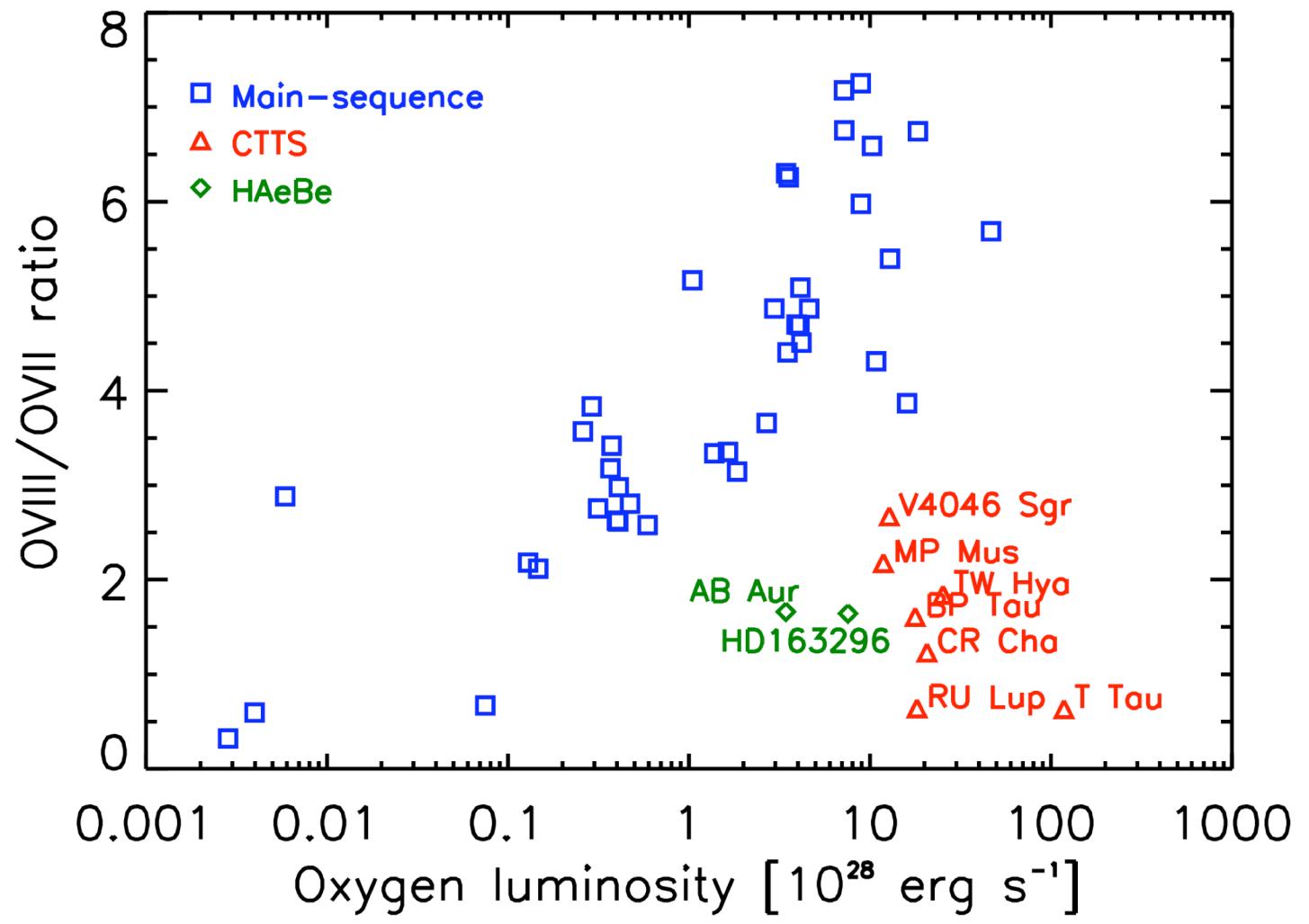
Swartz et al., ApJ (2005)

# HD 163296: XMM-RGS



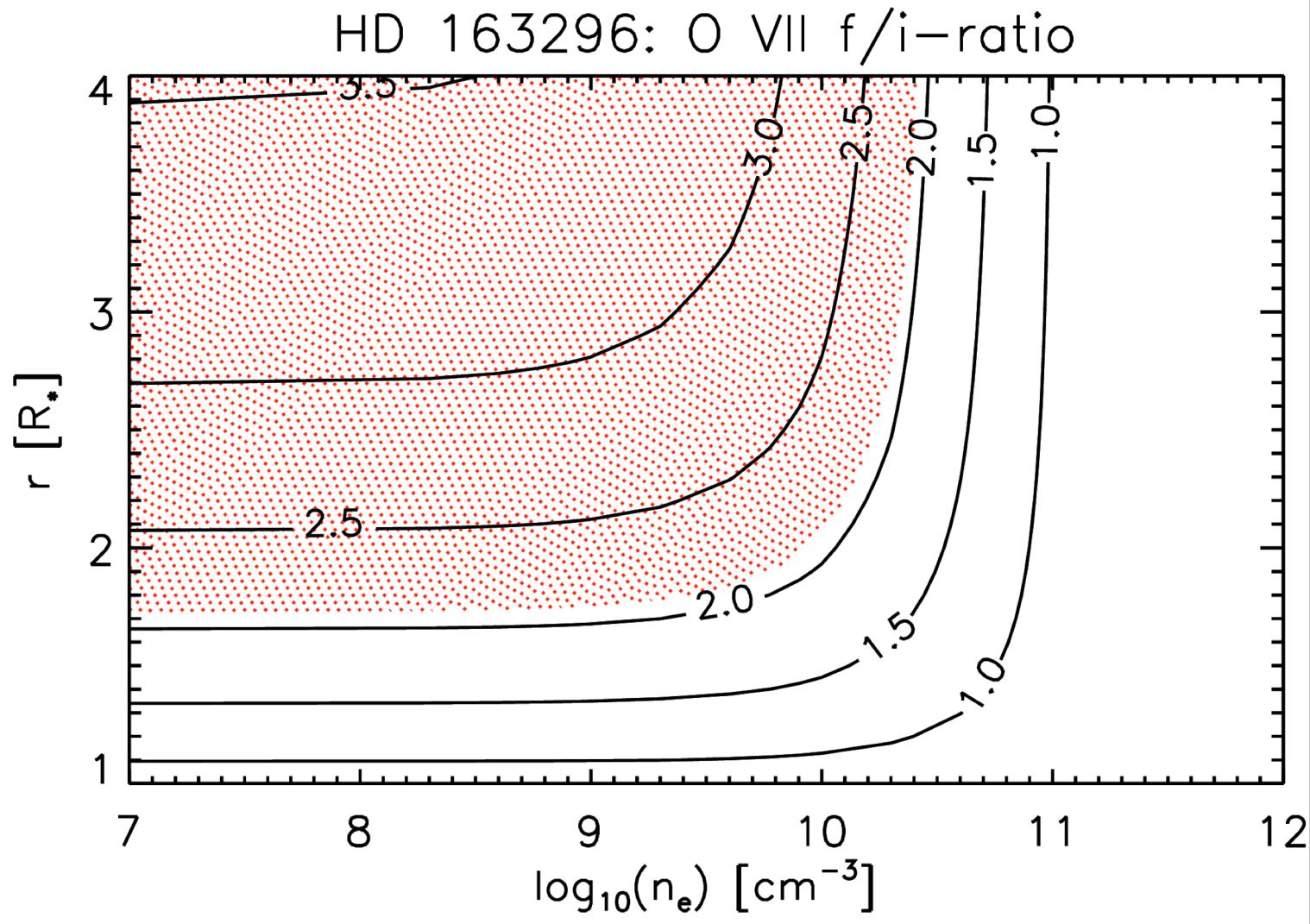
Günther & Schmitt, A&A (2009)

# Cool excess

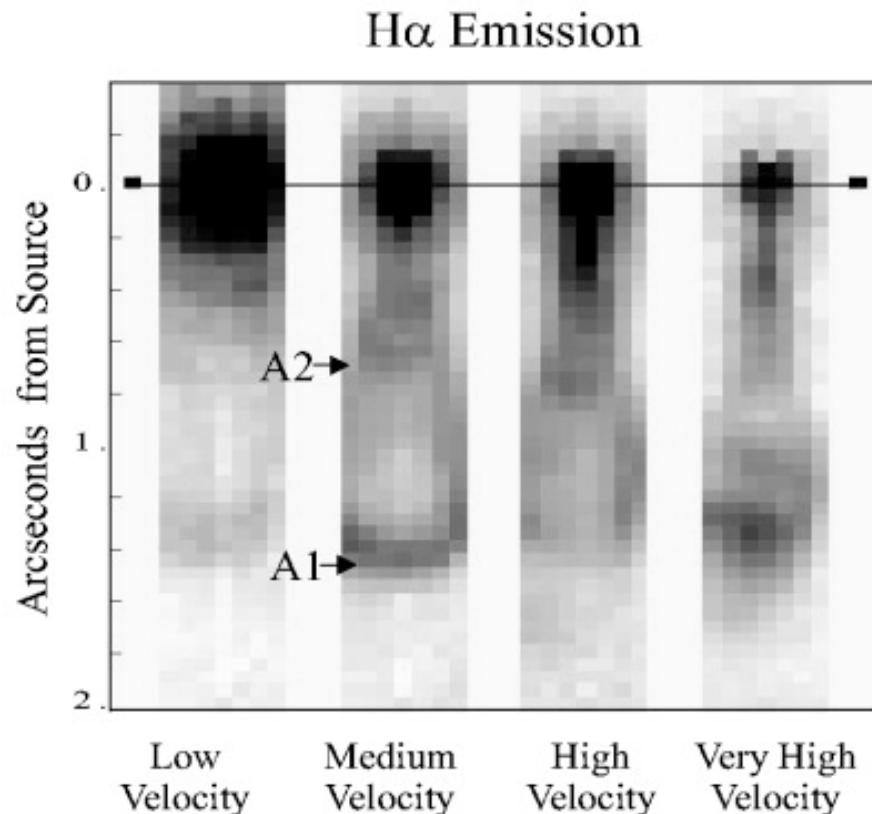


Robrade & Schmitt, A&A (2007), Günther & Schmitt, A&A (2008)

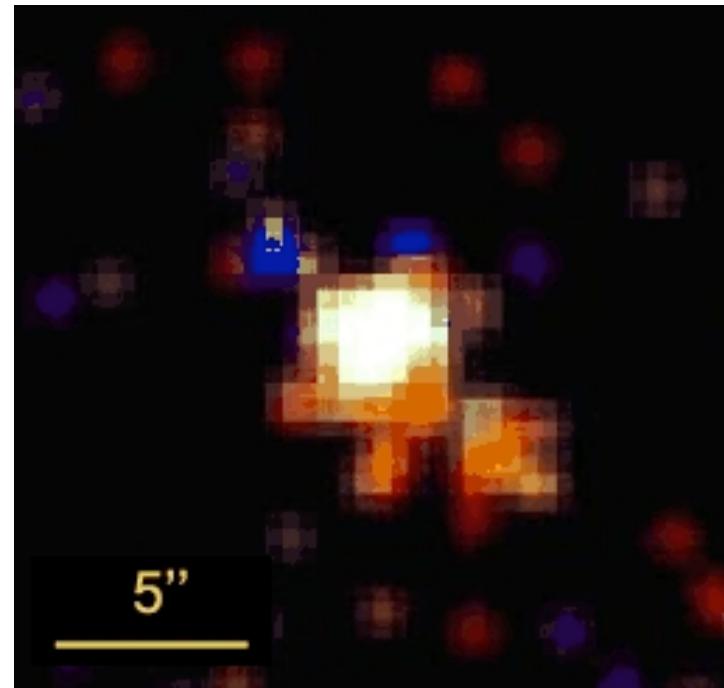
# HD 163296: OVII f/i ratio



# Collimated outflows

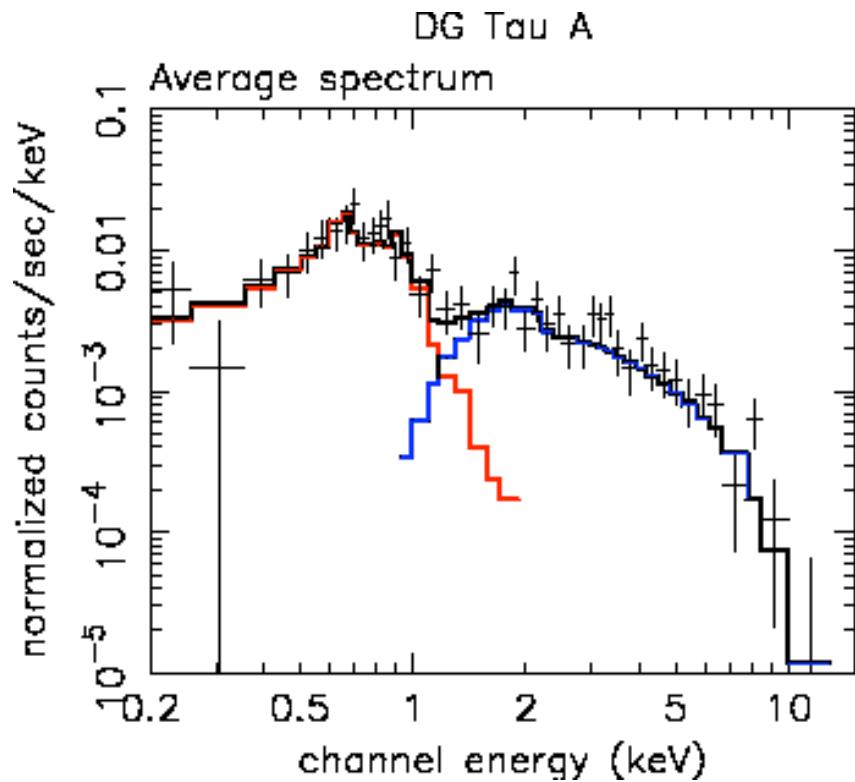


HST/STIS:  
Bacciotti et al., ApJ (2000)

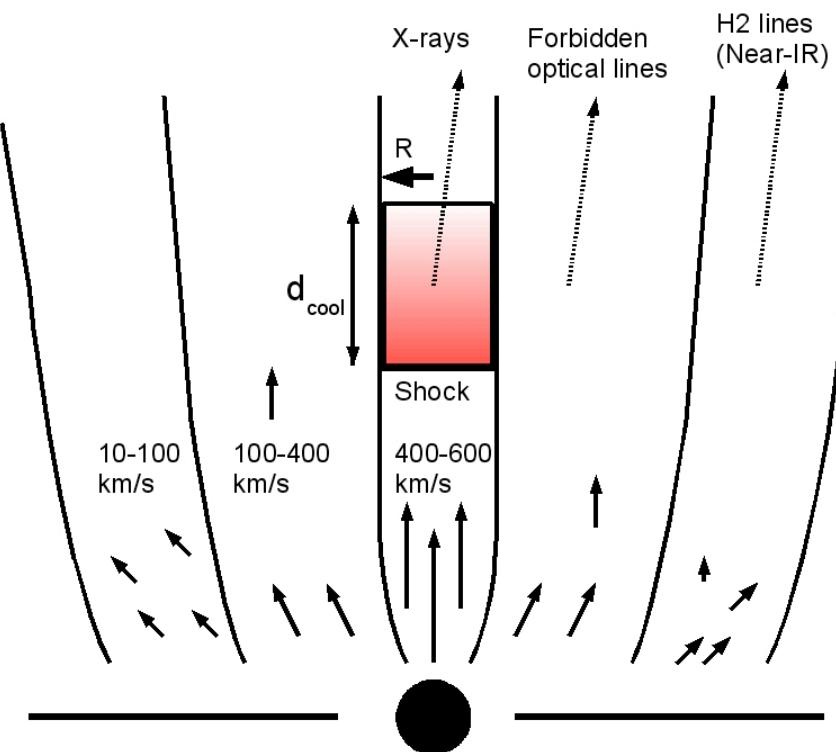


Chandra:  
Güdel et al., A&A (2008)

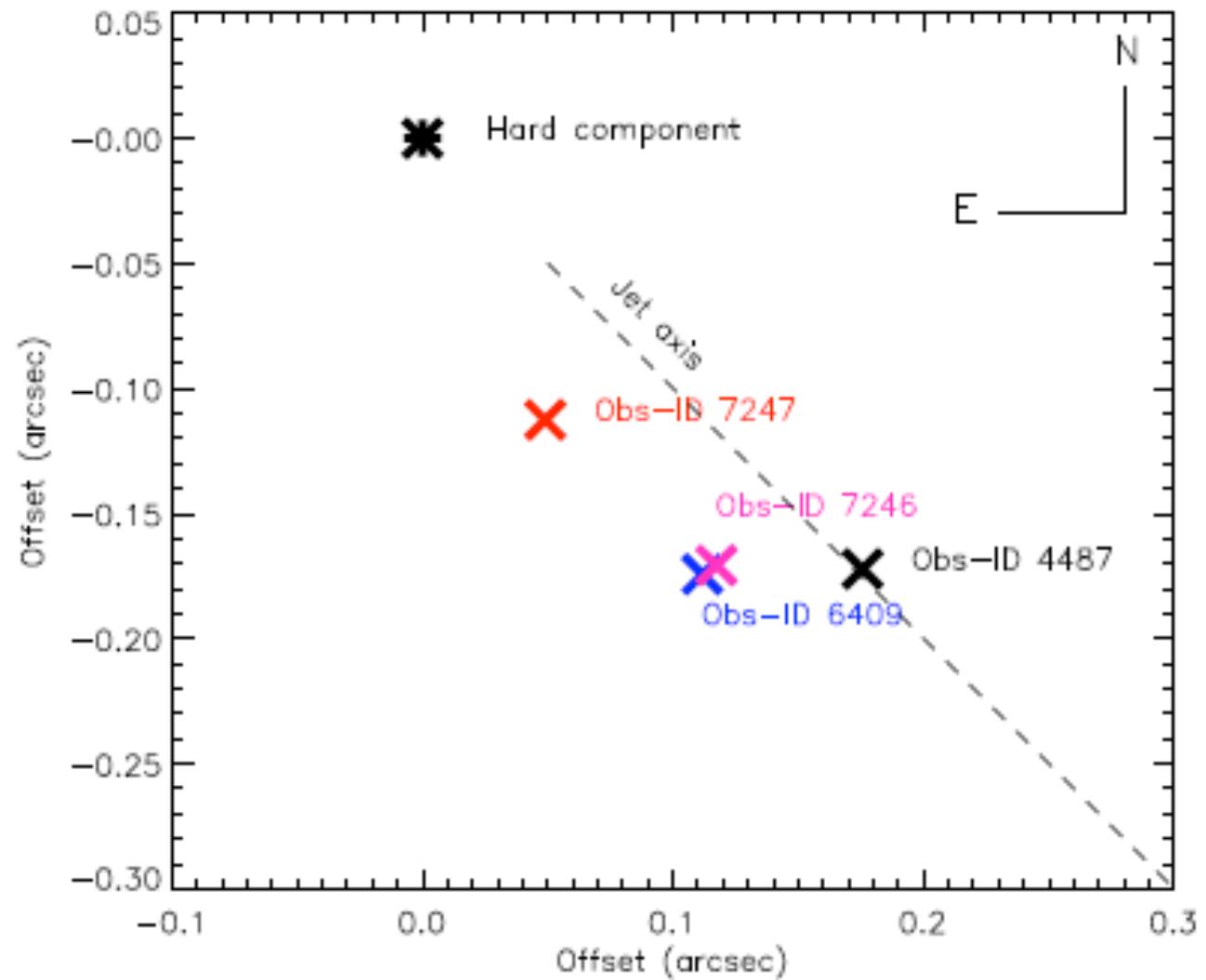
# X-rays from jets



Güdel et al., ApJ (2007)



Model:  
Günther, Matt & Li, A&A (2009)



Schneider & Schmitt (2008)

## Summary: Three different beasts !

Star	Spectral type	OVI luminosity (erg/sec)	OVII luminosity (erg/sec)	Mechanism
Altair	A7V	$3.3 \cdot 10^{27}$	$3.3 \cdot 10^{26}$	Corona
$\beta$ Pic	A6V	$2.5 \cdot 10^{27}$	$(<) 2.7 \cdot 10^{25}$	??
HD163296	A1Ve	$1.1 \cdot 10^{30}$	$1.0 \cdot 10^{29}$	Jet/Wind

**The End !**