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Highlights of Chandra Grating Science

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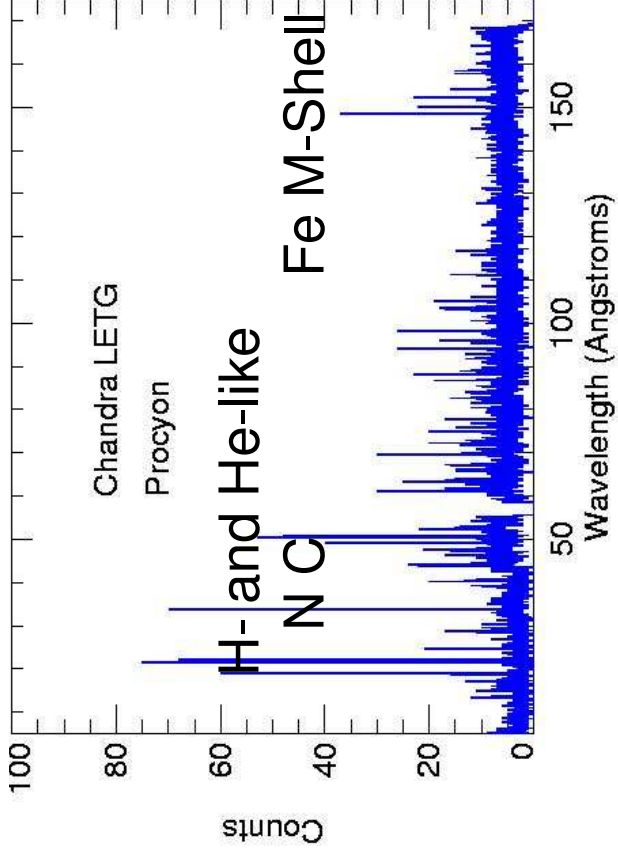
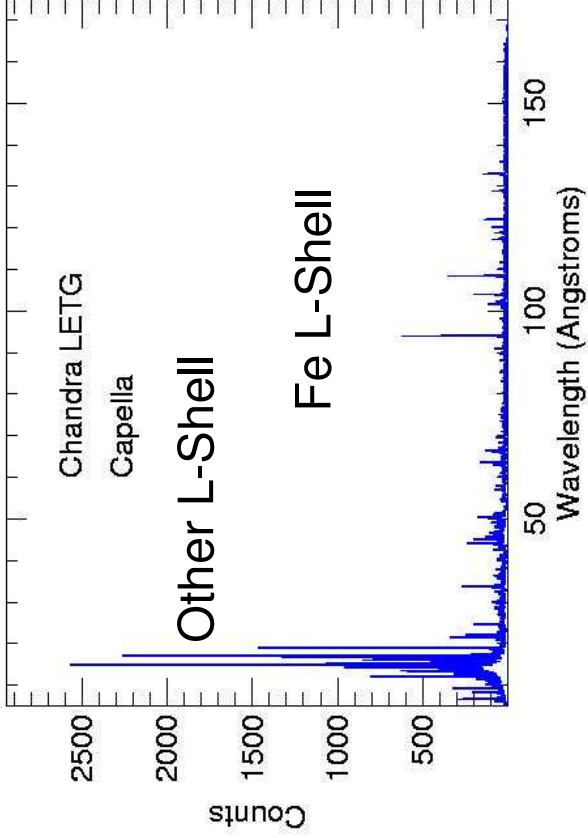
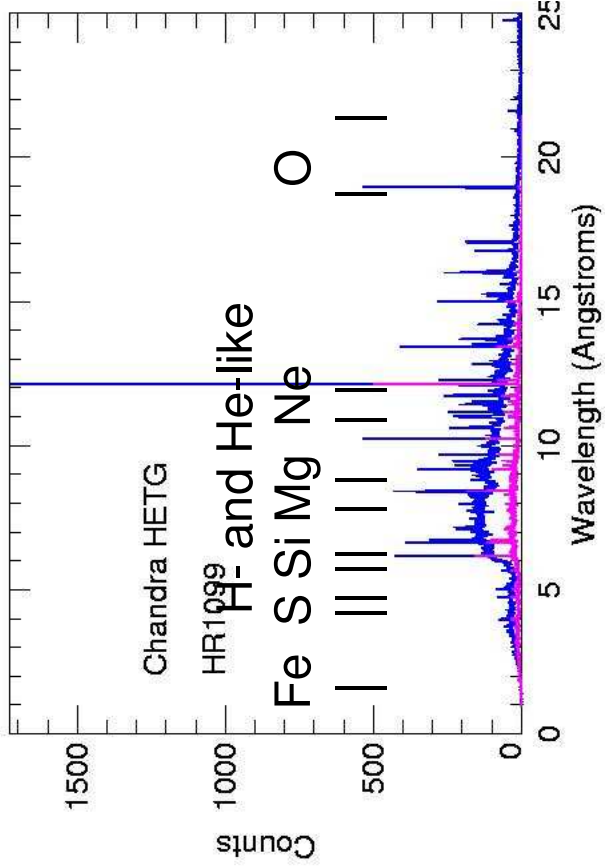
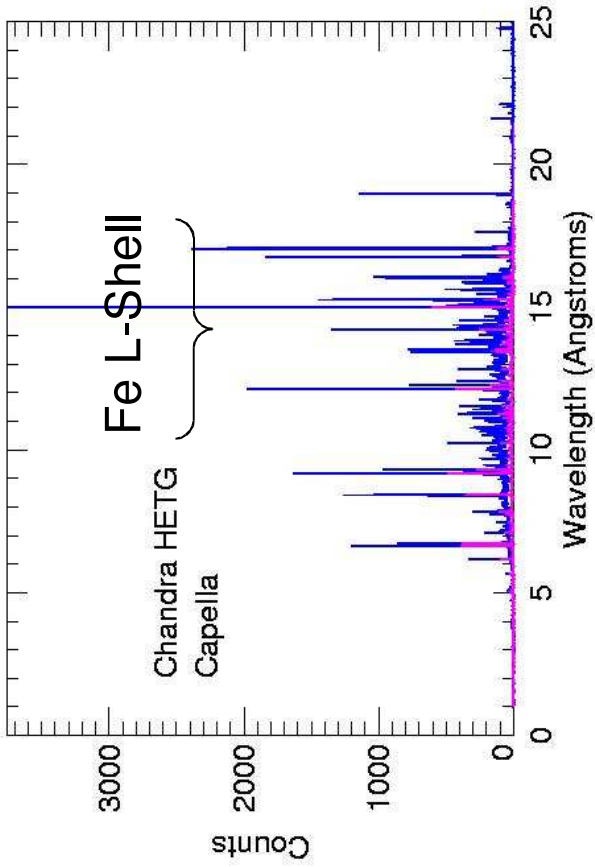
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- **Overview: Spectral Diagnostics**
- **Cool Stars: Pressure, Abundances, Location**
- **Hot Star Atmospheres**
- **Cataclysmic Variables: Accretion**
- **Winds and Relativistic Iron Lines in X-ray Binaries**
- **Active Galactic Nuclei: Outflows**
- **Absorption by the Warm-Hot Intergalactic Medium (WHIM)**
- **Conclusions**

Overview: Spectral Diagnostics

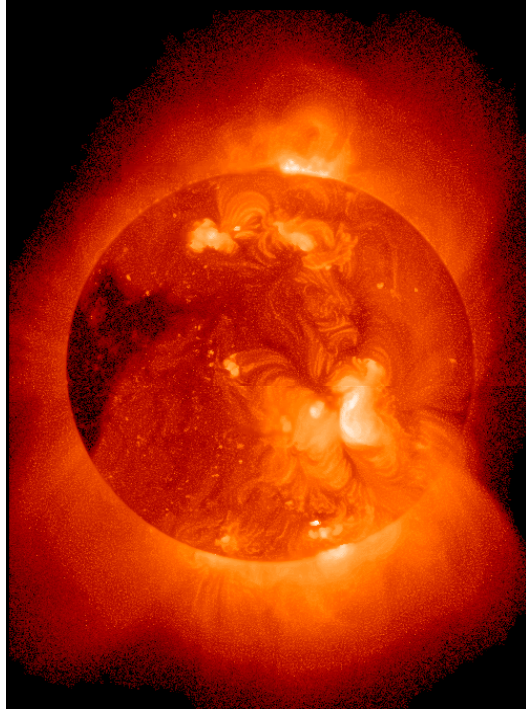
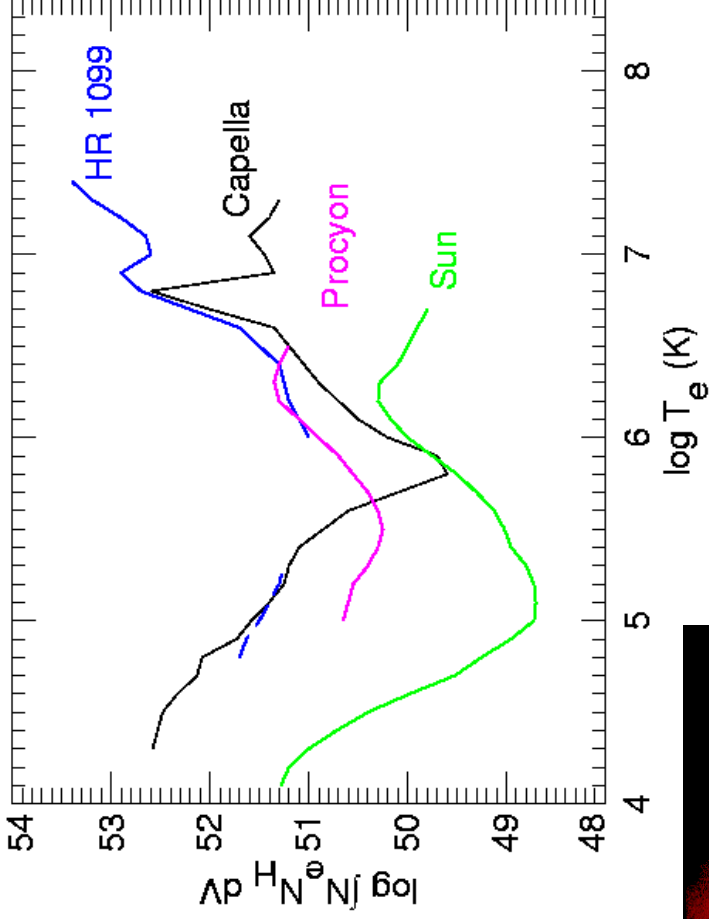
- **Quantifying the Physical Conditions from the X-Ray Spectrum**
 - **Collisionally Ionized Plasma**
 - **Line Flux Diagnostics**
 - **Thermal Continuum Emission**
 - 2. **X-ray Photoionized Plasma**
 - **Photoionizing Continuum**
 - **Emission Lines from Ionized Gas**
 - **Absorption by Ionized Gas**
 - **Radiative Recombination Continuum**
 - **Fluorescence Lines**
- **Timing Studies**
 1. **Light Curves from Spectral Lines**
 2. **Doppler Velocities**
 3. **Flaring Events and Other Variability**
- **Line Profile Studies**
 - **Doppler Imaging**
 - **Wind Diagnostics**

The X-ray Spectral Content



Coronal Loop Models of the Emission Measure Distribution

Brickhouse & Drake 2001

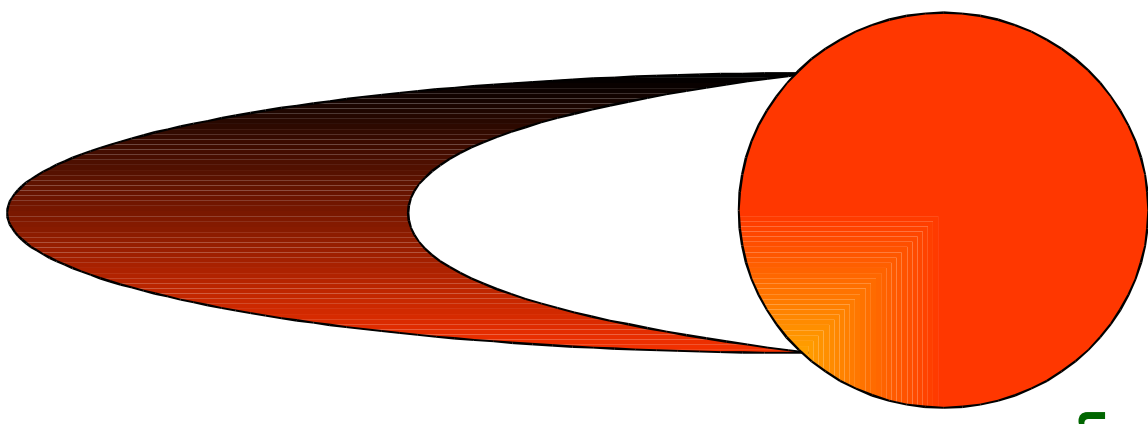


← Sun (G2 V)

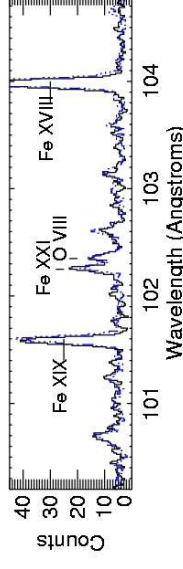
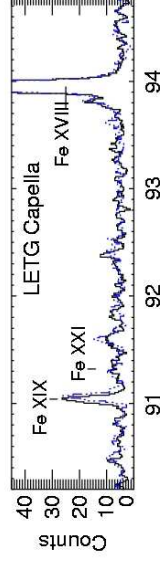
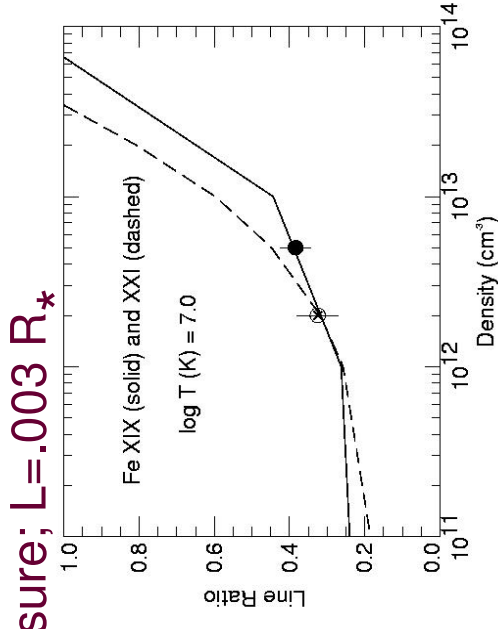
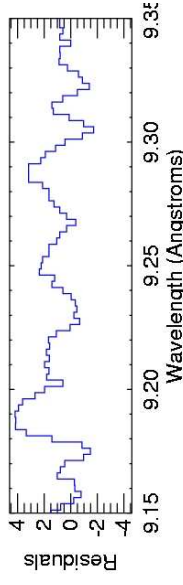
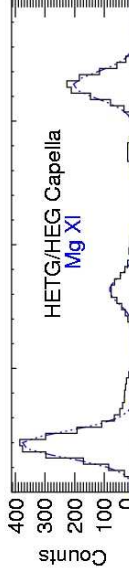
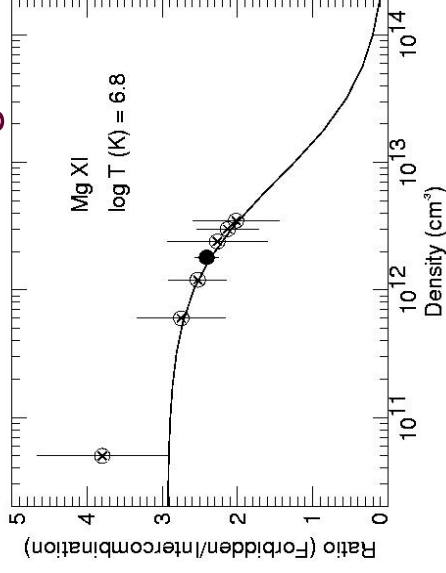
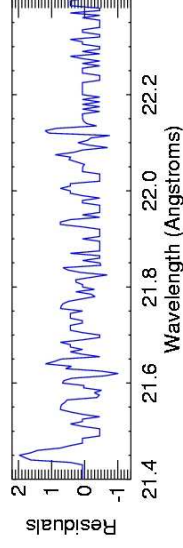
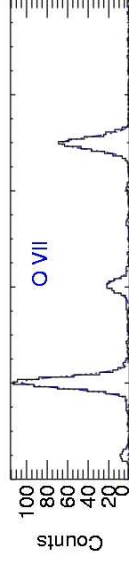
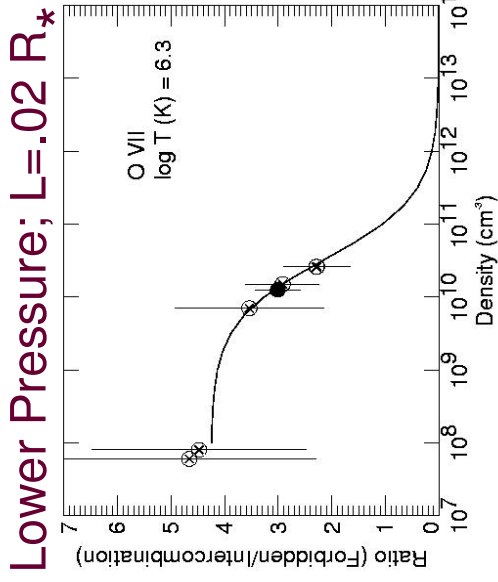
Extended Emission
Yohkoh Image

Capella (G8 III + G1 III); →
P=108d; G1 has 8 d rotation
Expanding Loops

Schrijver, Lemen, & Mewe 1998



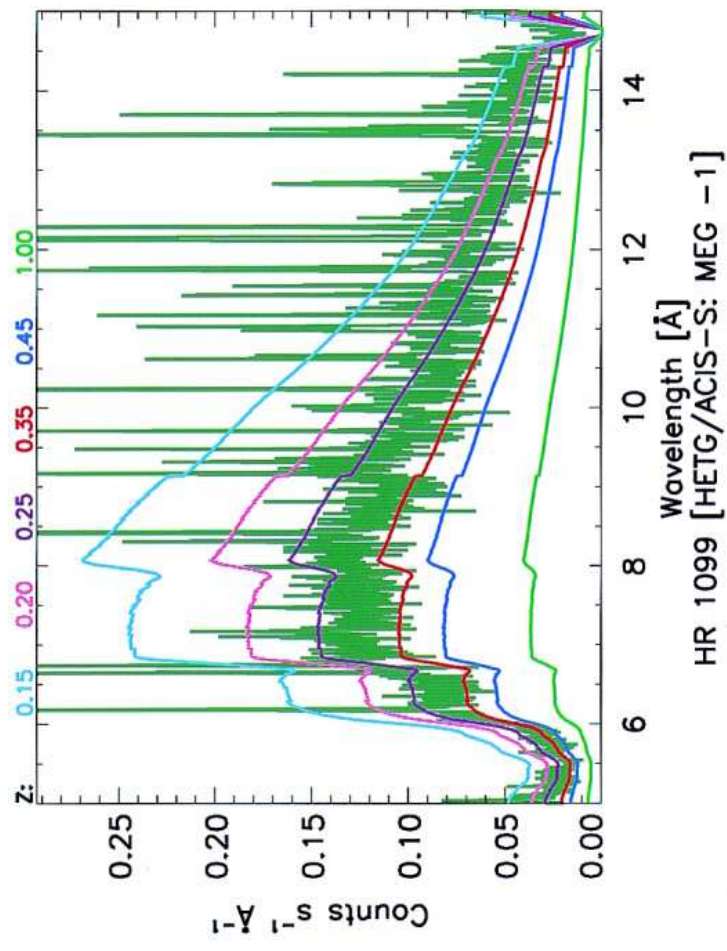
Electron Density Determination



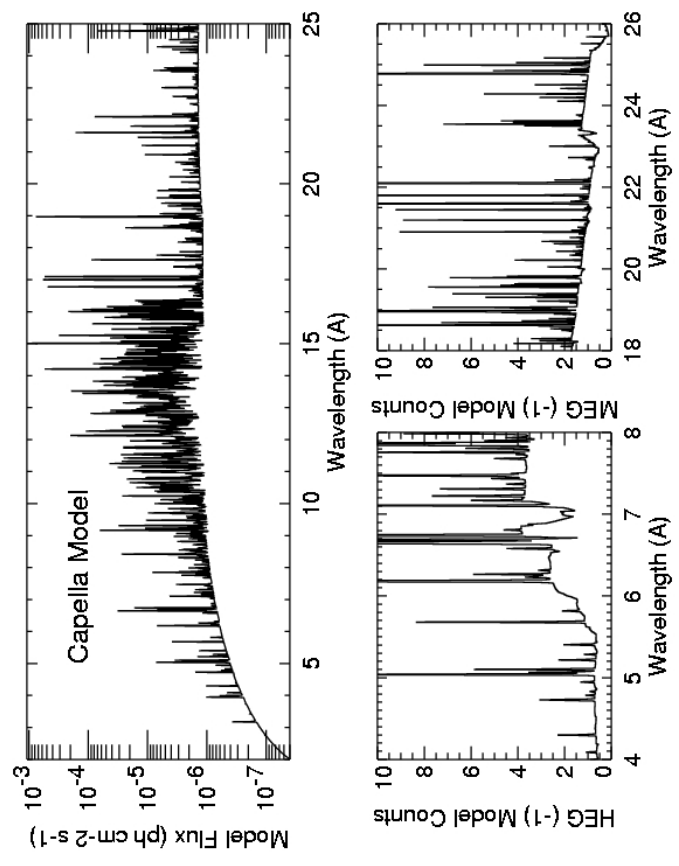
Chandra Gratings
Capella (G8 III + G1 III)
Brickhouse 2001

- **Compelling evidence for high density, small emitting region(s)**
- **Multiple pressures in the system**

Abundances: Continuum Modeling and Line-Free Regions

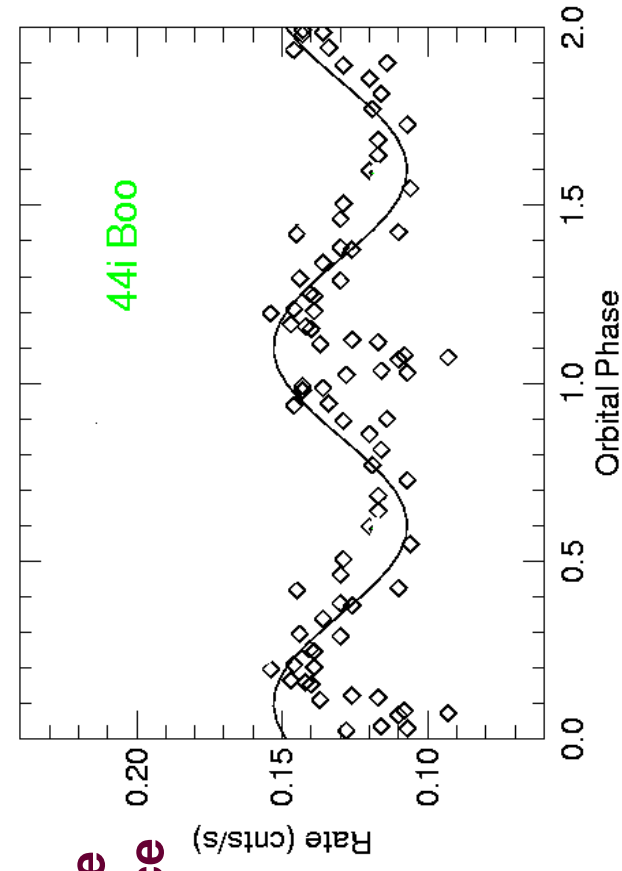
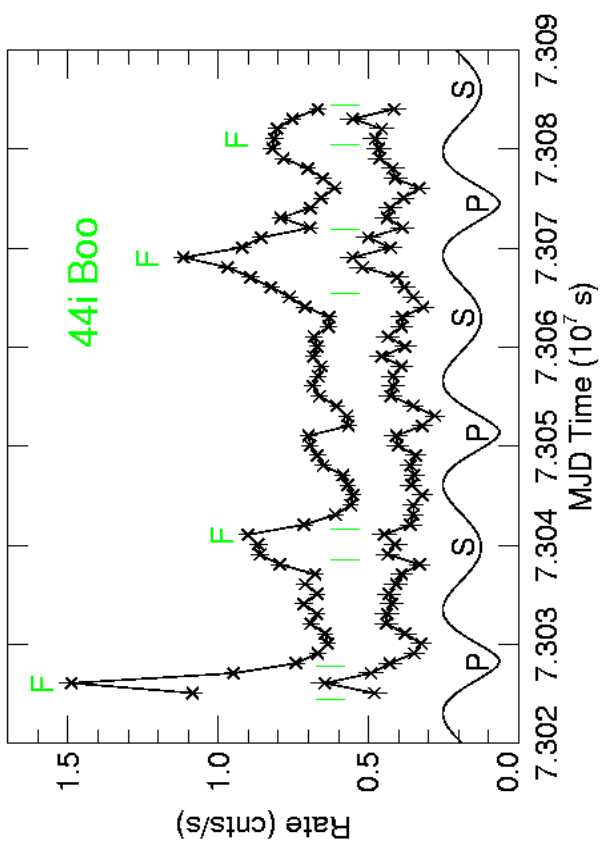
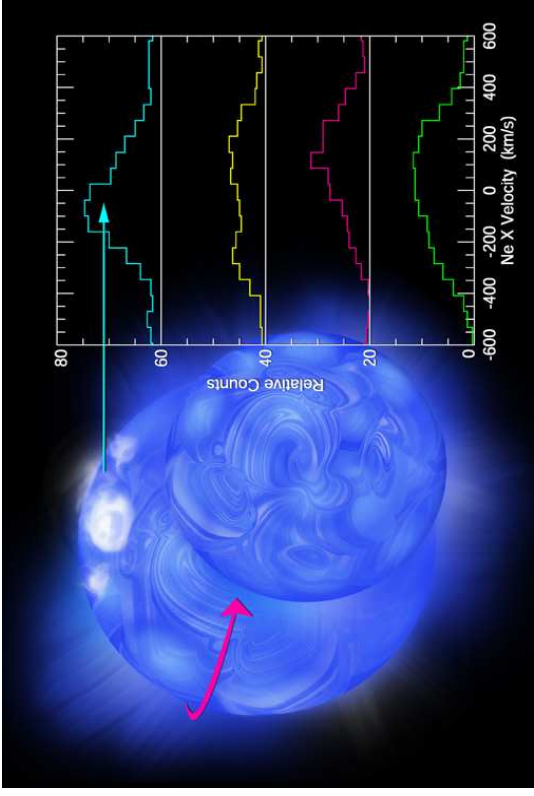


HR 1099
High Ne Abundance
Drake et al. 2001



Capella
Solar Photospheric Abundances
Brickhouse 2001

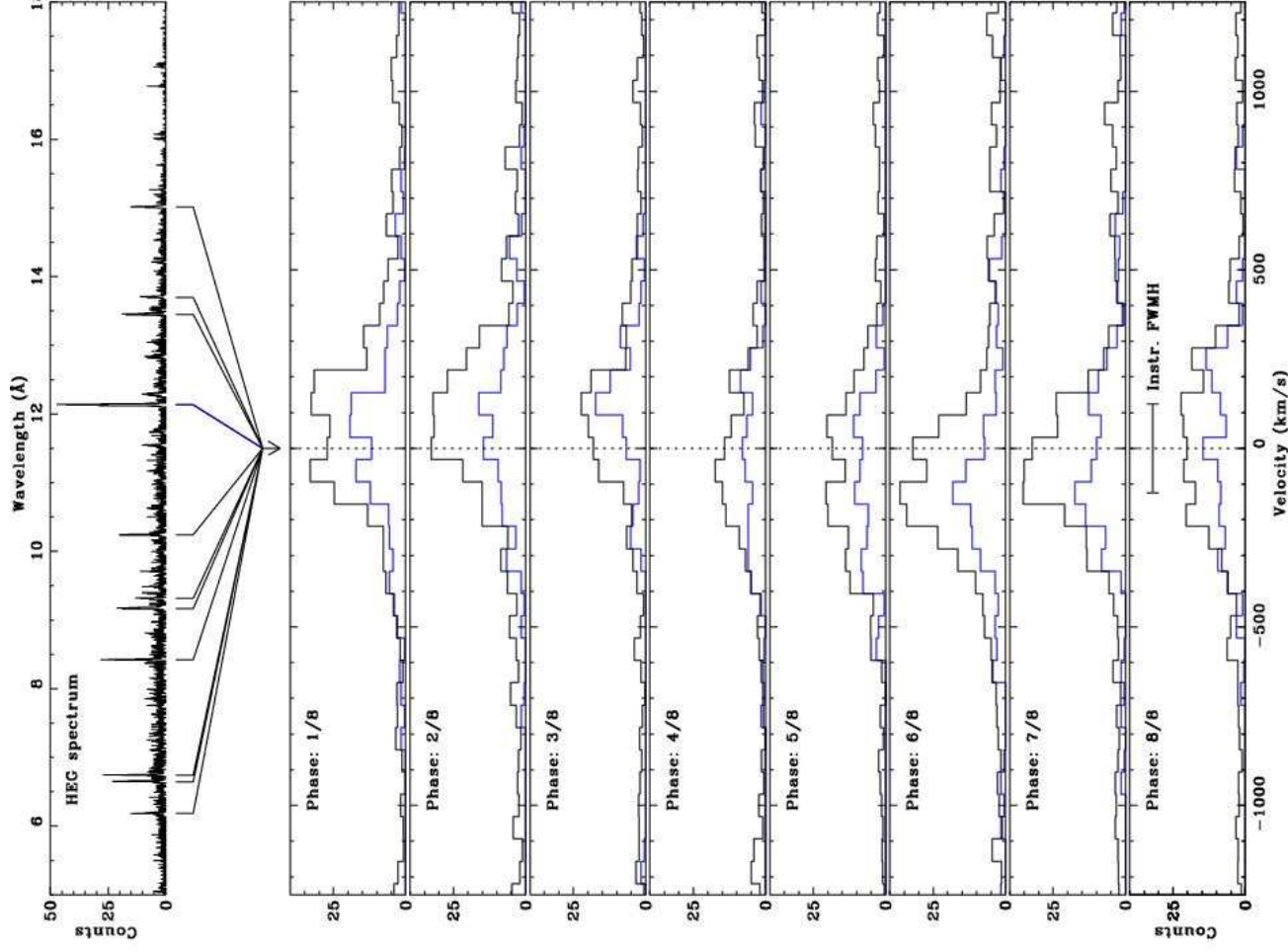
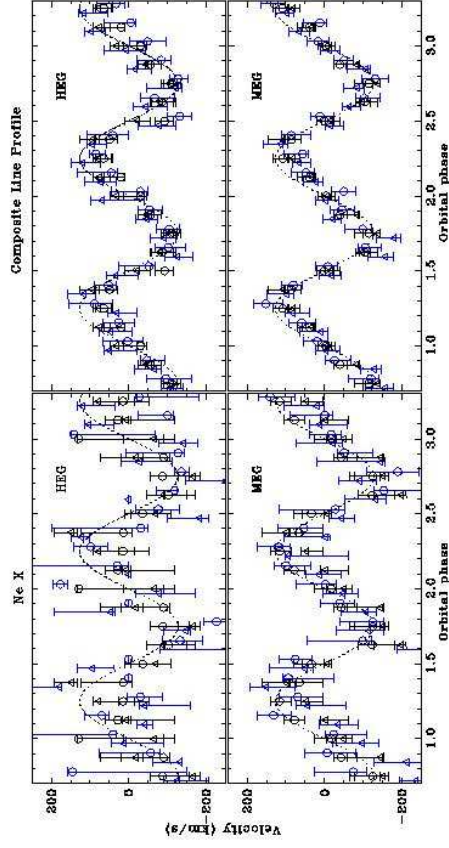
X-Ray Doppler Imaging with Light Curves and Velocity Profiles



- From light curve analysis:
 - Near the pole of the primary:
 - A small region on the inner face
 - A larger region on the outer face
 - Unmodulated emission
- From line centroids:
 - Dominant velocity follows primary

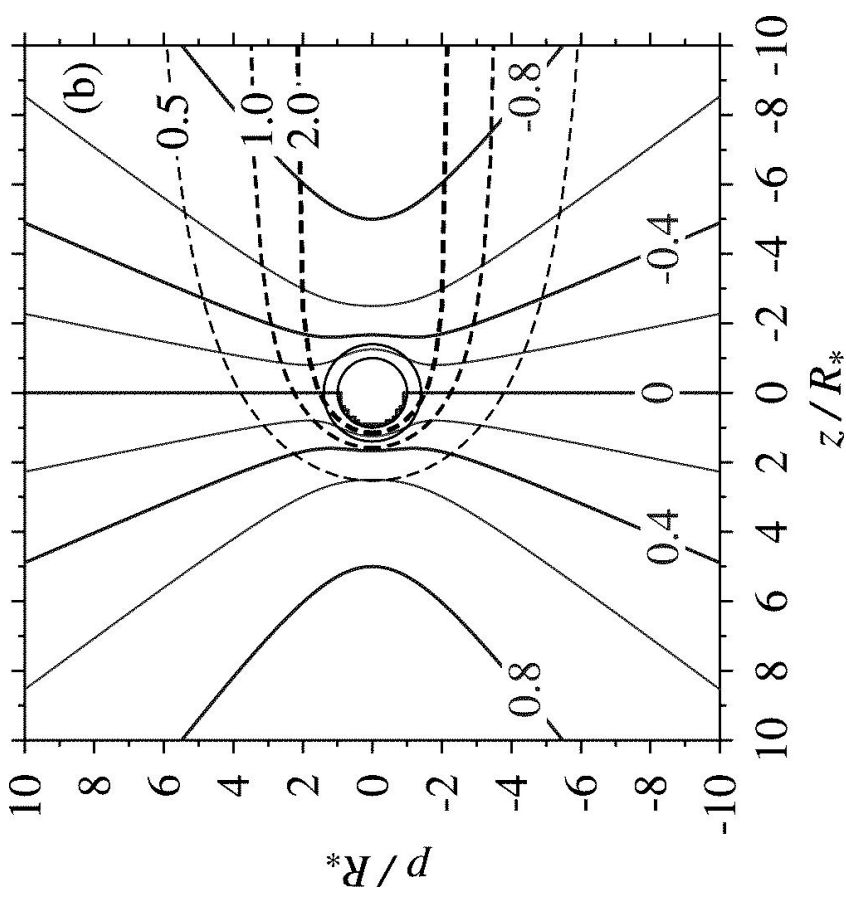
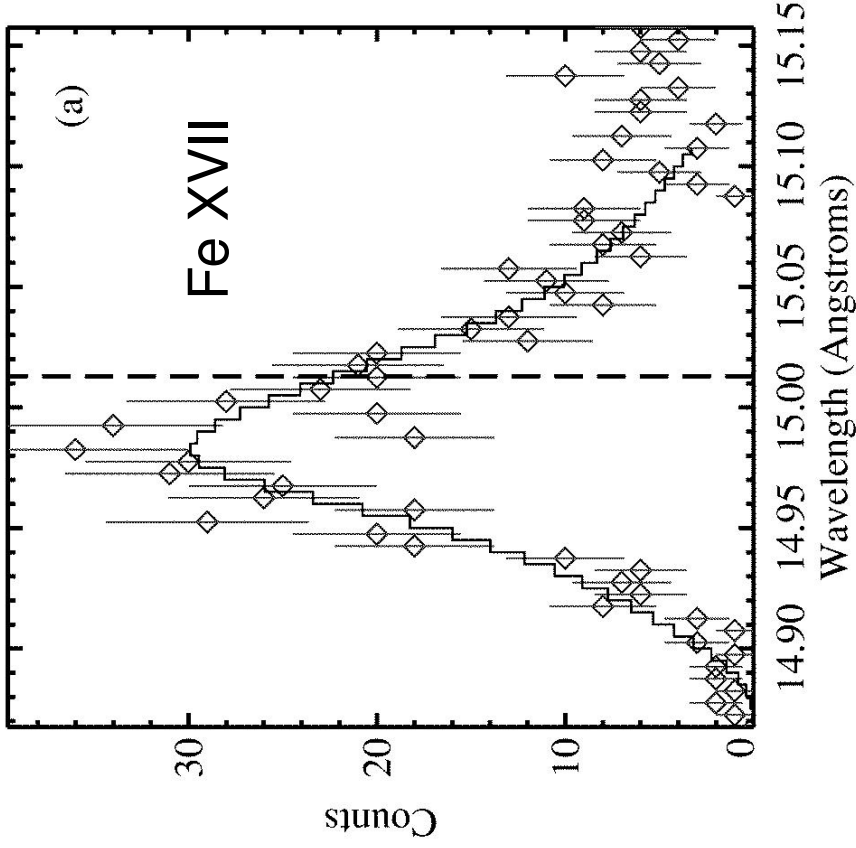
Chandra HETG
44 Boo (2 ~G8 stars); P=0.268 d
Brickhouse, Dupree, & Young 2001

- A New Technique:
Composite line profile to
increase S/N



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Hoogerwerf, Brickhouse, & Dupree
2003

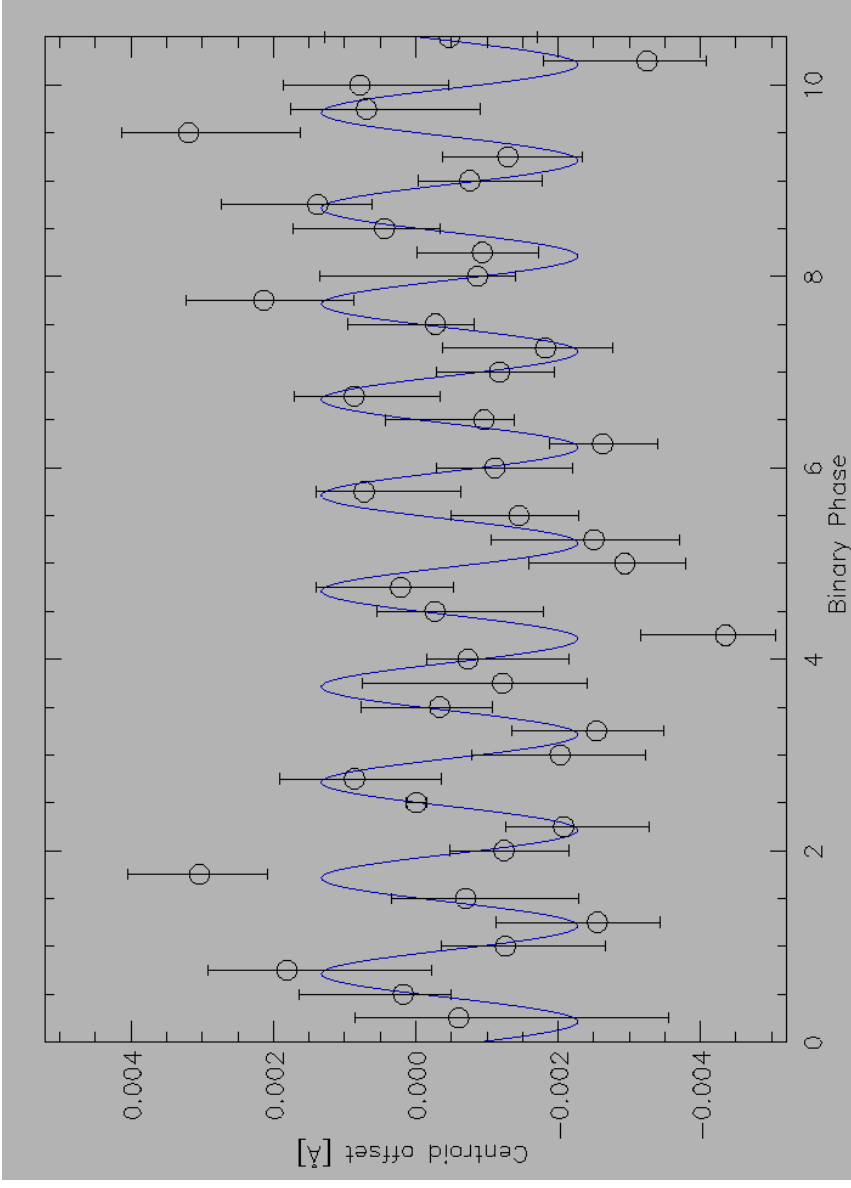
Broad X-Ray Line Profiles of Hot Stars



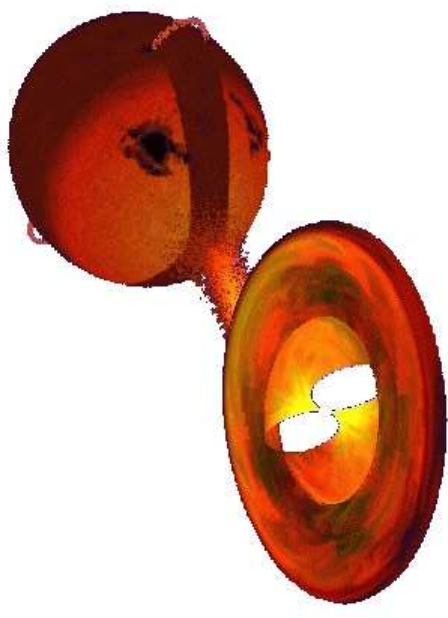
**Wind shock model shows
wind closer to photosphere
than expected.**

**Chandra HETG
 ζ Puppis (O4f)
Kramer, Cohen, & Owocki 2003**

Binary Motion in EX Hya with Chandra HETG



EX Hydrae
Magnetic CV
Intermediate Polar
Orbital Period = 98 min
Spin Period = 67 bmin



White Dwarf Velocity Measurements

Chandra 54.5 km/s (Hoogerwerf, Brickhouse,
& Mauche 2003, in prep)

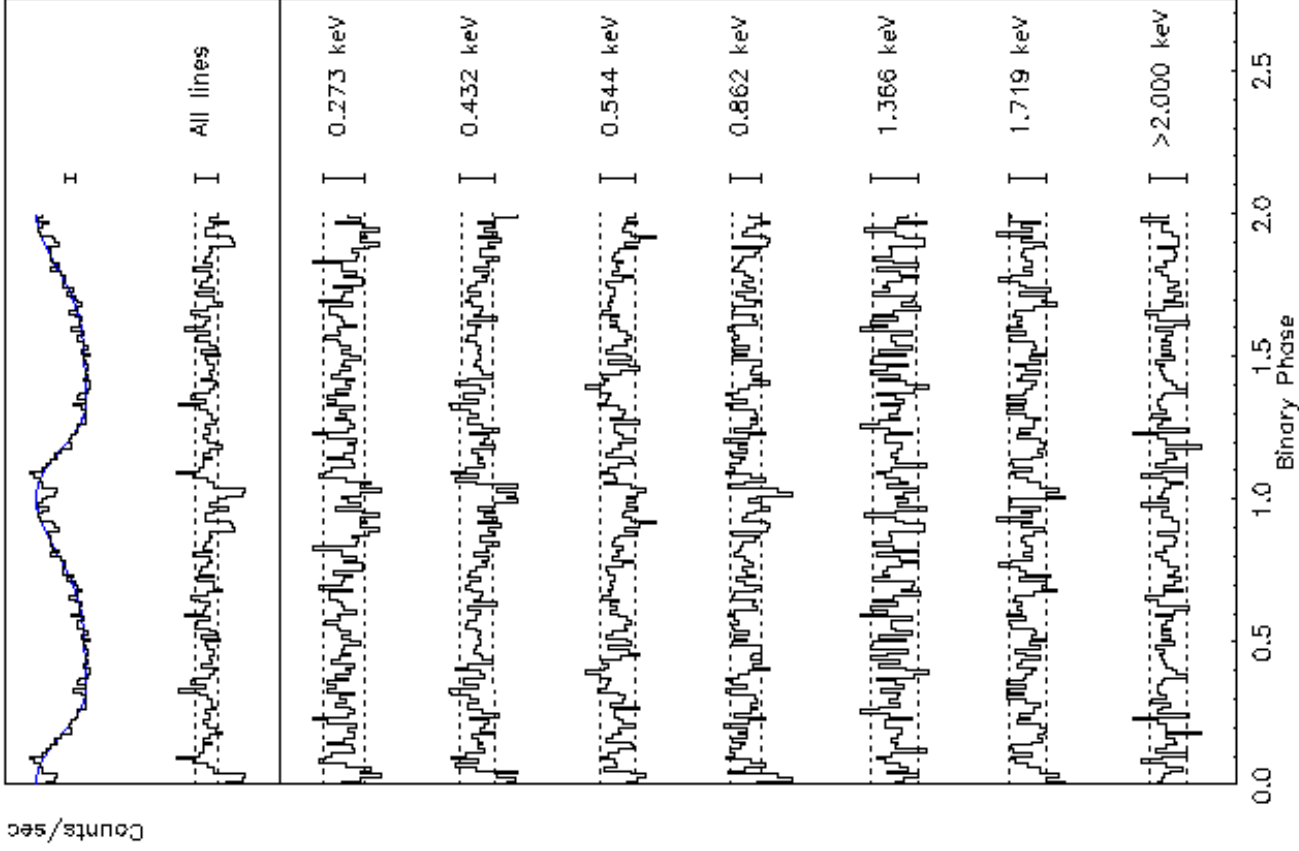
Optical 69 ± 9 (Hellier et al. 1987)

UV 59.6 ± 2.6 (Belle et al. 2003)

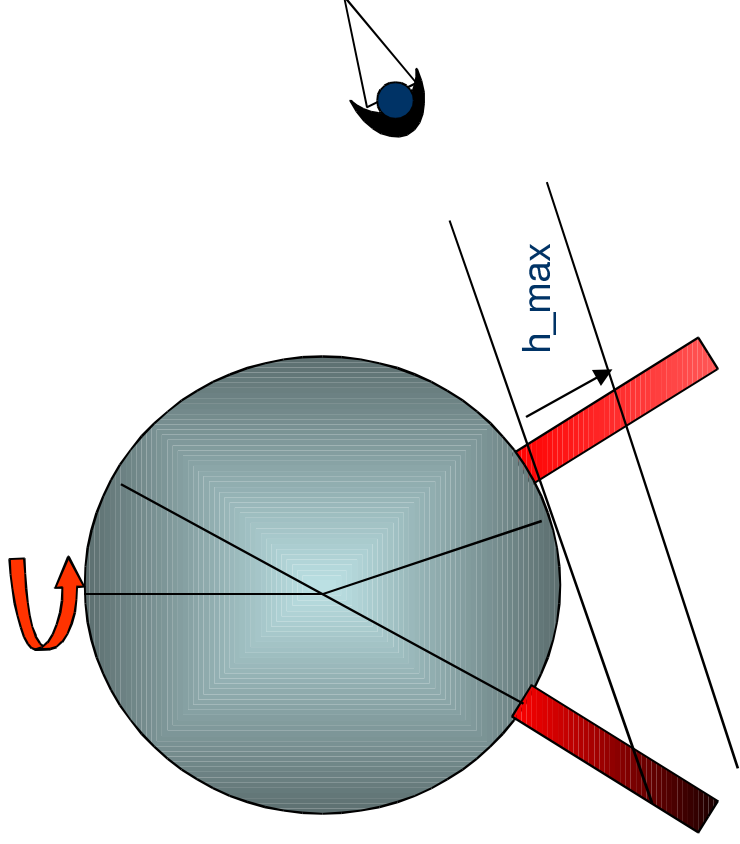
FUV 85 ± 9 (Mauche 1999)

Illustration by Andy Beardmore

Measuring the Height of the Accretion Column Shock?

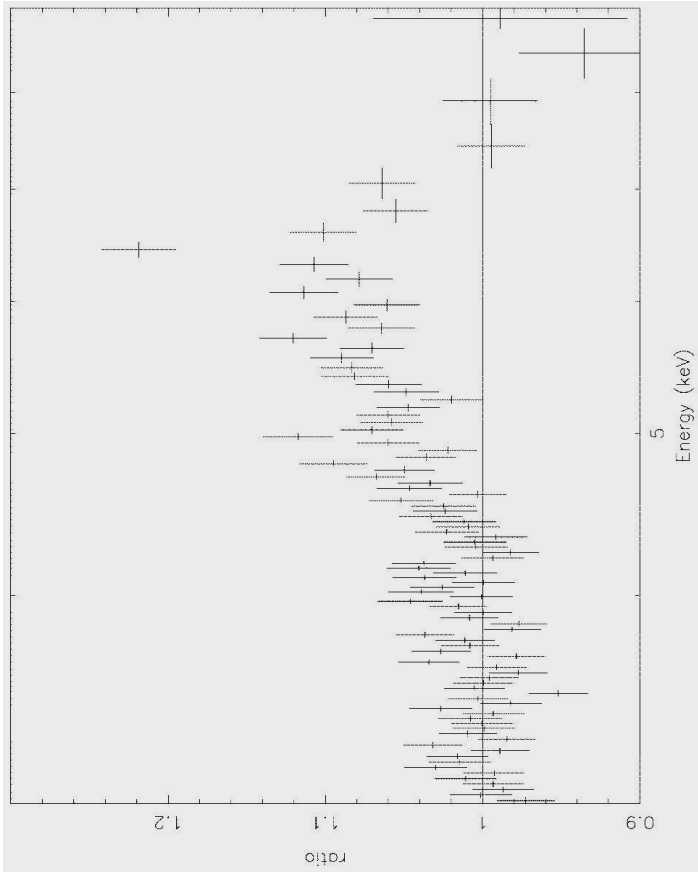
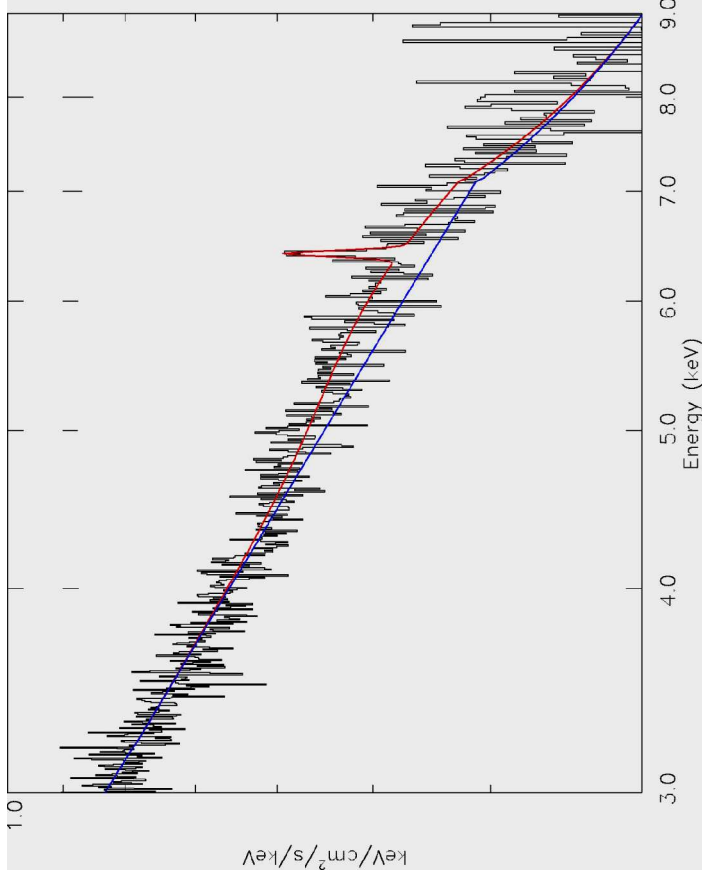


Chandra HETG Fe XVII and Fe XXII indicate 10^{14} cm^{-3} (Mauche et al. 2002). Light curves from lines are different (Hoogerwerf, Brickhouse & Mauche 2003).



Model from ASCA (Allan, Hellier, & Beardmore 1998)

Fe K α Emission from a Black Hole

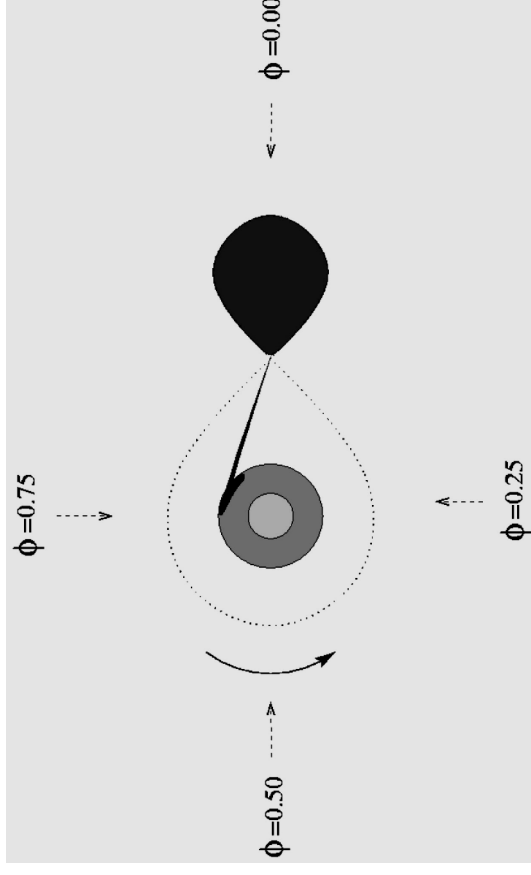
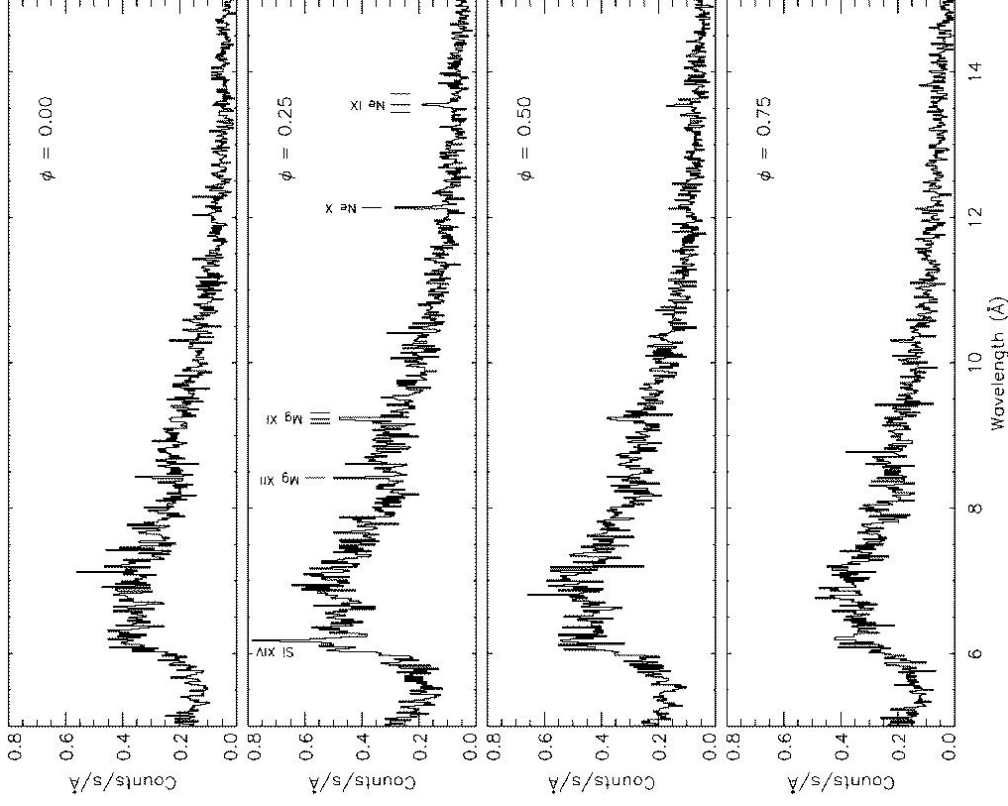


**Chandra HETG
Cyg X-1 (HMXB)
Miller et al. 2002**

Fe K α reminiscent of broad iron lines in AGN. Continuum is a multicolor disk plus blackbody.

See also Schulz et al. 2002 for softer spectrum, showing absorption lines and edges.

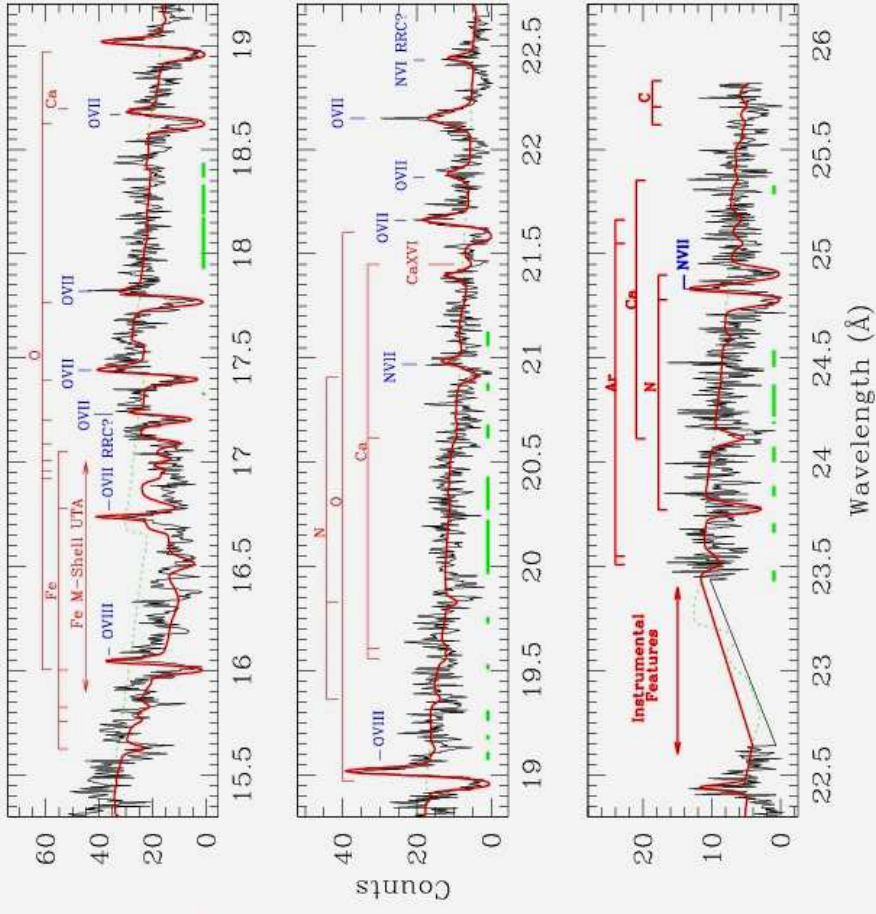
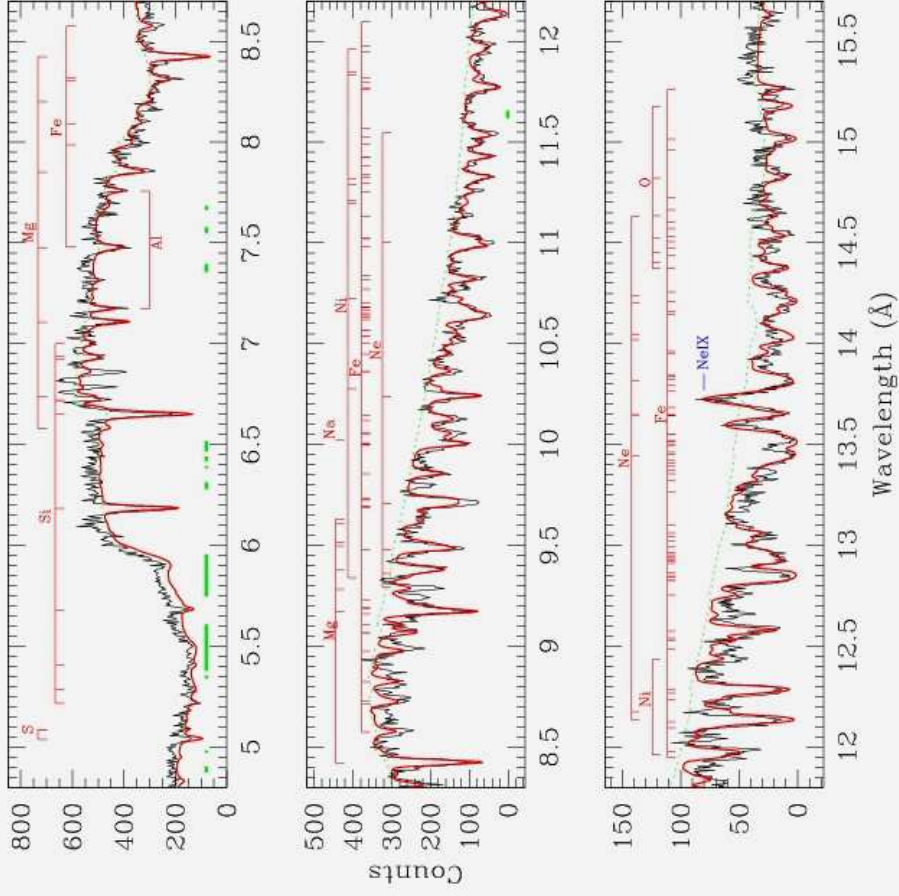
Accretion Disk Corona in an LMXB



Recombination lines from X-ray illuminated bulge where accretion stream impacts disk. Fluorescent Fe K α from extended disk corona or accretion stream.

**Chandra HETG
4U 1822-37 (LMXB)
Cottam et al. 2001**

Absorption by Photoionized Gas in NGC 3783

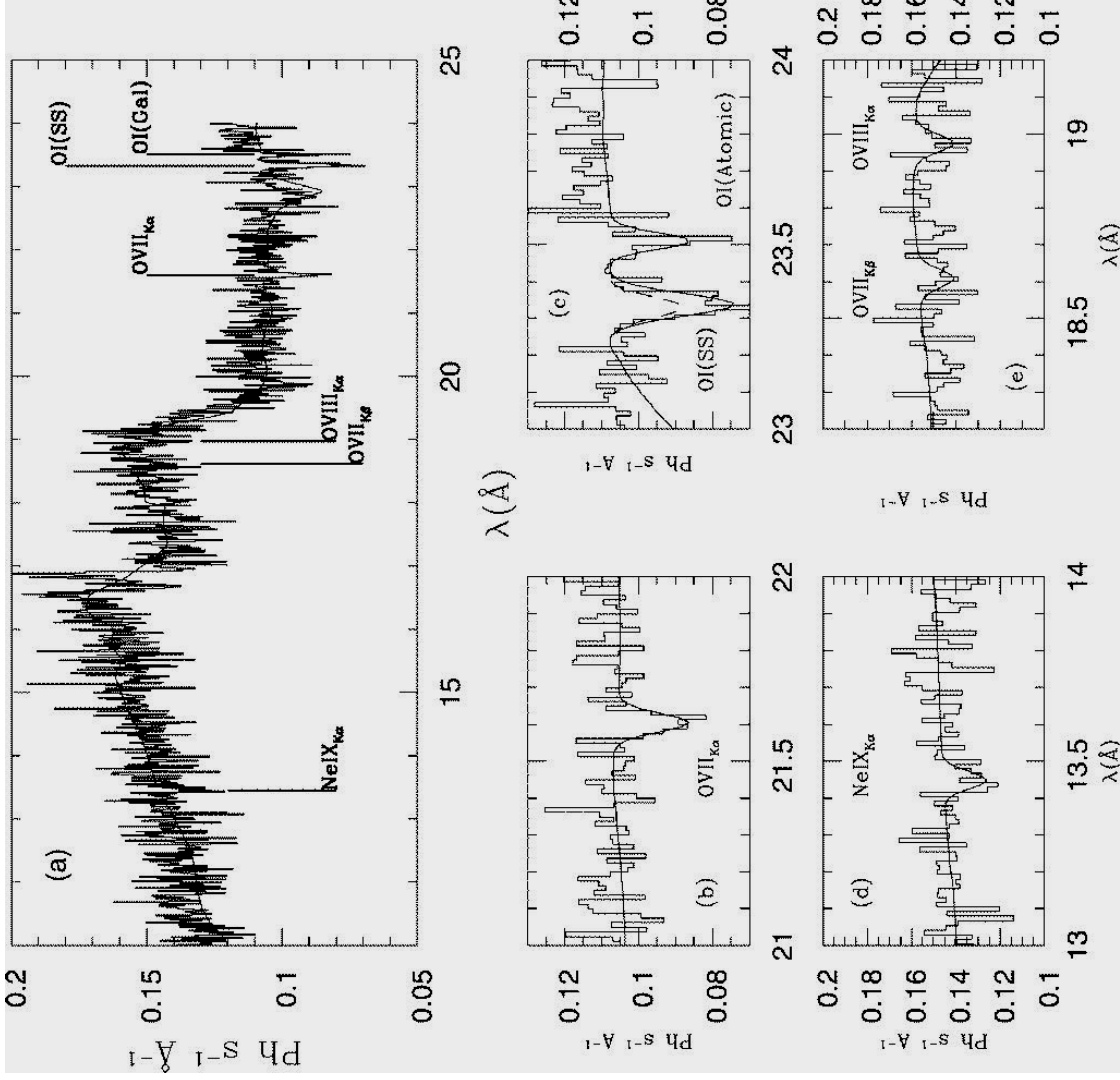


Model fit with 2 kinematically identical ionization components, outflowing velocities of 750 km/s, turbulent velocities of 300 km/s, suggesting they are in pressure balance.

Resonant Absorption Toward PKS 2155-304

Chandra LETG
PKS 2155-304 (blazar)
Nicastro et al. 2002

X-ray Forest of O VII,
Ne IX, (5σ) at same
redshift as FUSE O VI
lines, argues for low
density IGM.

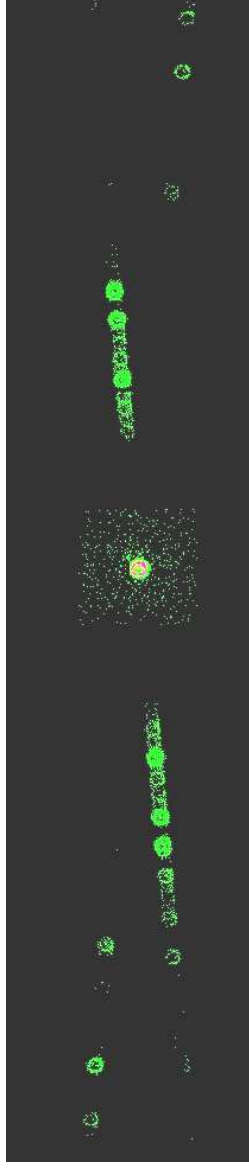


Conclusions

- Stellar coronae not just extrapolated Suns
- Hot star wind shock models
- High density accretion shock cooling in magnetic CVs
- Accretion and winds in X-ray binaries
- AGN “warm absorbers”: 2-component outflow in pressure balance
- Detection of the WHIM

8. Challenges:

- Enough Photons
- Beyond Point Sources
- Sophisticated Source/Spectral Models



HETG Spectrum

Flanagan et al. 2003

SNR E0102-72:

An ionizing shock