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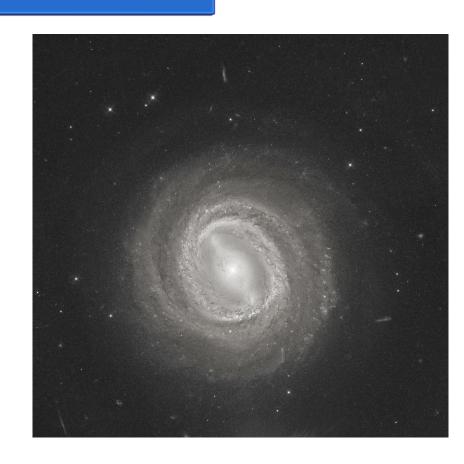
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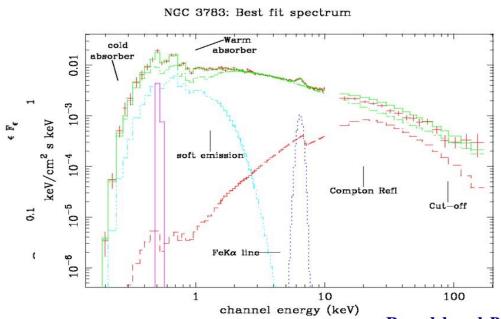
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The complex X-ray spectra

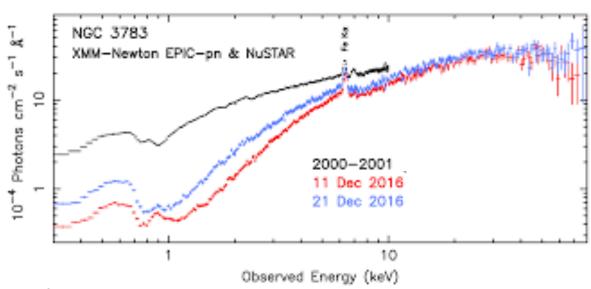


Very "typical" Seyfert 1 X-ray spectrum measured in all the X-ray observations

- 1) Very low cold absorption (in the UM scenario, it indicates that the putative dusty torus is not intercepting the line of sight. Ok for a type I AGN)
- 2) Fe line and reflection component detected → OK with the presence of accretion disk!
- 3) High-E cutoff measured at E≈100 keV: OK with thermal Comptonization
- 4) warm absorber measured: → ok with UM and presence of warm electrons along the polar axis of the system to explain measurement of broad lines in polarized light (optical)

Broad-band *BeppoSAX* observation NGC 3783. De Rosa et. al 2002

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Reference papers:

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Goals

- Is the source stable during the observation? (light-curve in the whole band and in different bands? Evidences of spectral variations? ->Ratios?)
- What are the properties of the primary emission of NGC 3783? (what's the spectral shape? What are the values of the parameters? Flux? Luminosity?)
- 3) Is the source absorbed? How? (Quantity and quality?)
- 4) Property of the Fekα line (E? EW? Width?)

Are these properties in agreement with the predictions of UM for AGN?

Can I interpret these changes within the UM scenario? How?

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How

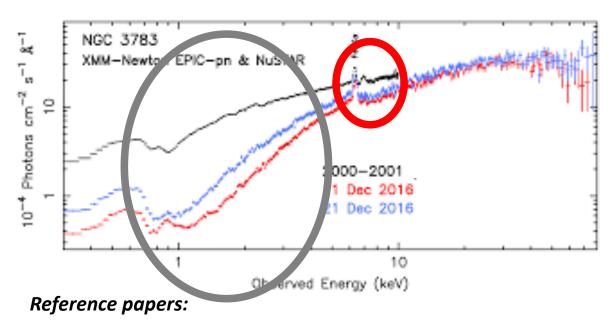
Mandatory part



- b) use only EPIC/pn data in the 3-10 keV band
- c) perform data reduction and spectral analysis to study:
- c-0) light-curves
- c-1) shape of the primary continuum;
- c-2) column density and properties of the absorber
- c-3) properties of the FeKα line

Optional part

d) re-do everything on the other obs1, then compare and discuss the differences!



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