

Fast IR/X-ray observations from the MAXI new black-hole transients

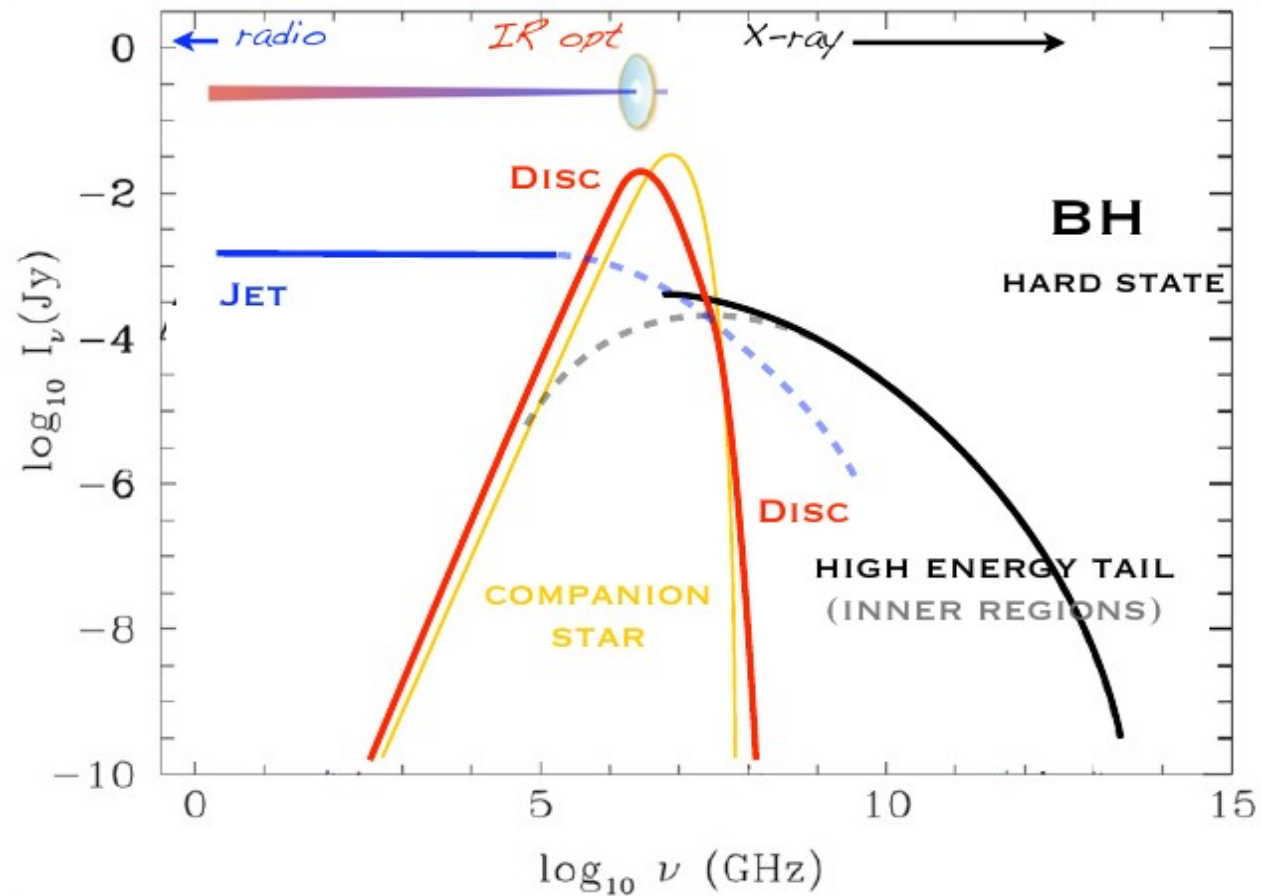
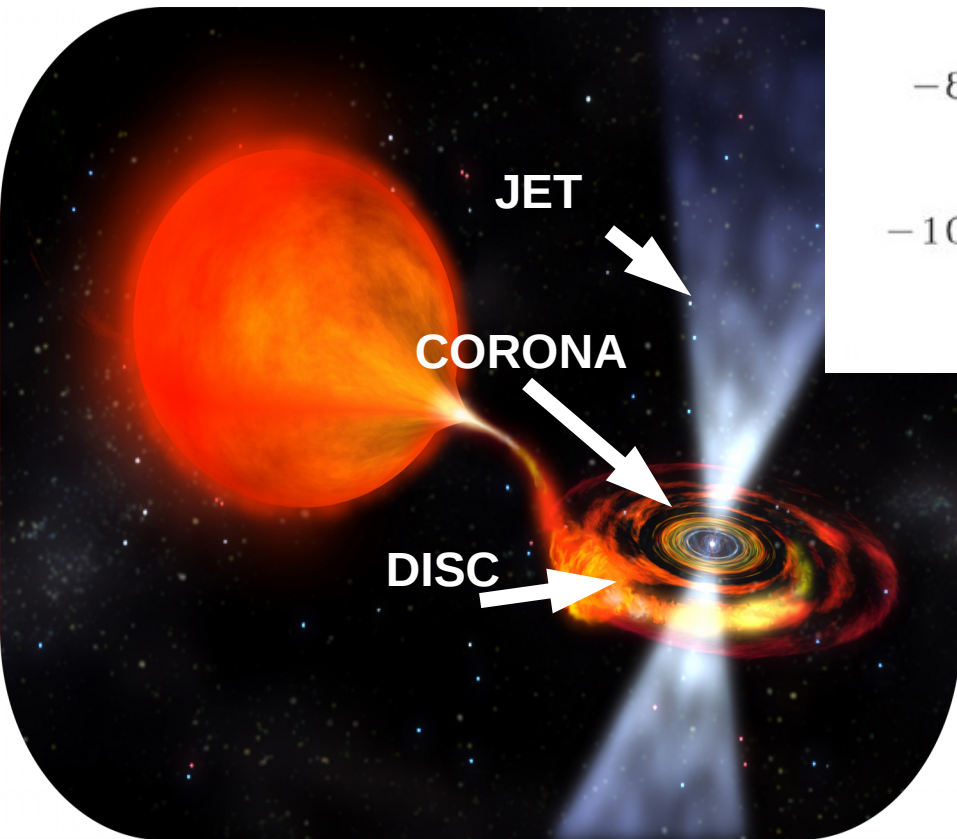
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Low Mass X-ray Binaries in a Nutshell

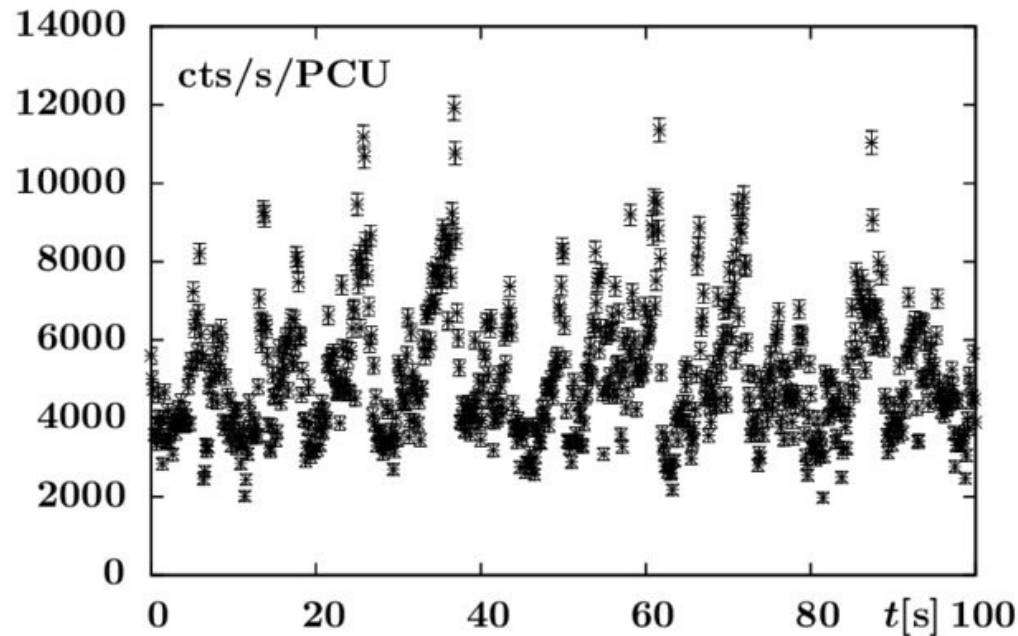
Multi-wavelength Emission



3 Main spectral components

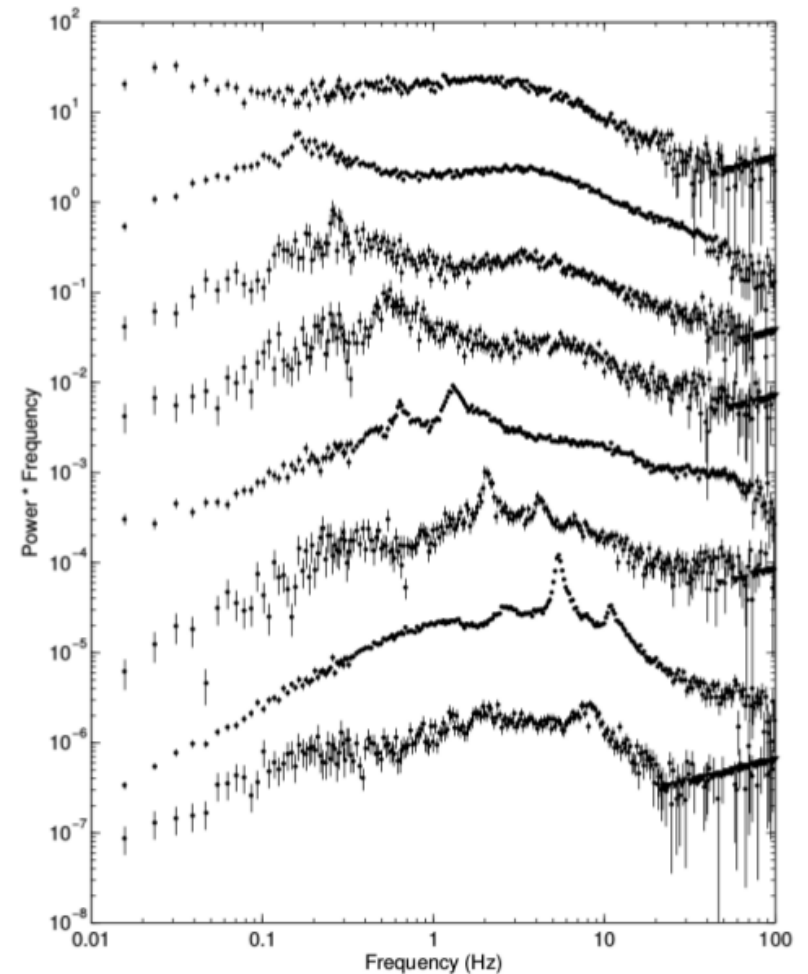
X-ray variability

XTEJ1550-564



X-ray emission highly variable

Timescales < 0.1 s

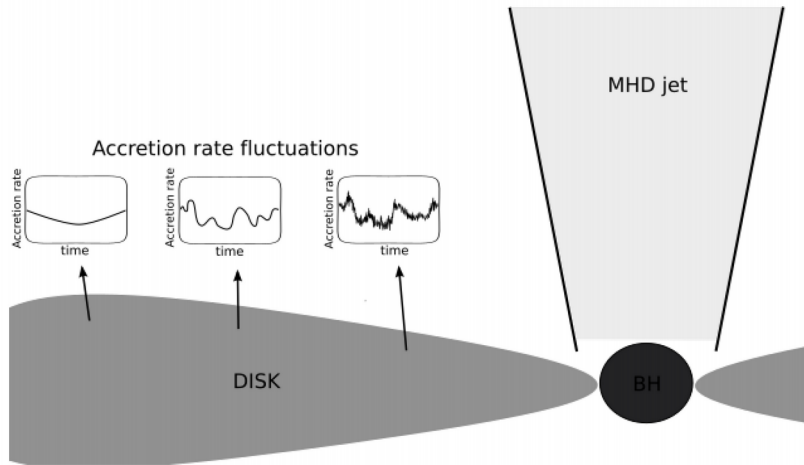


Strong stochastic noise

Broad component and QPOs

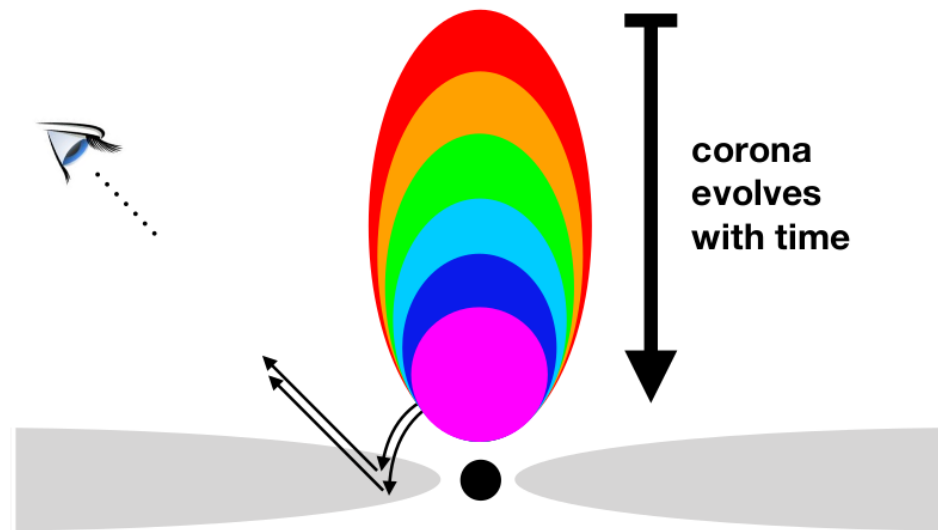
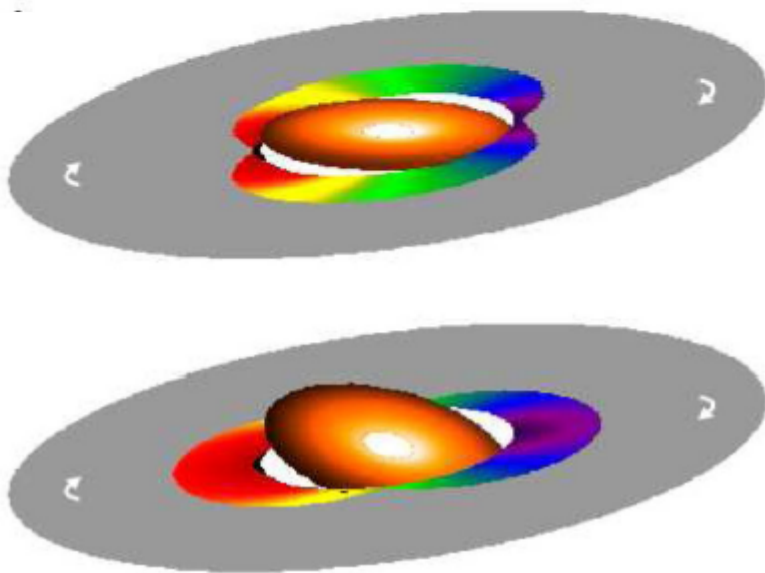
Properties evolving in time

variability

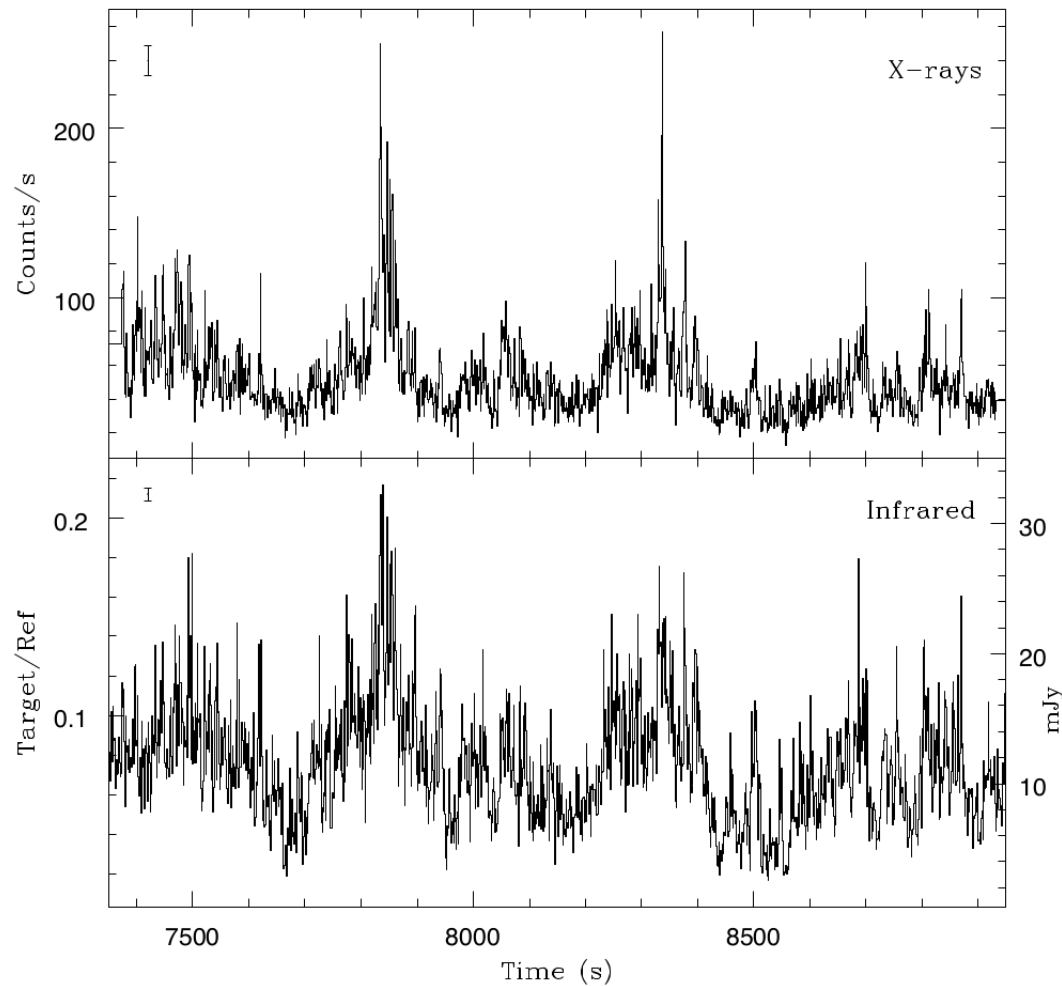


Constraints on geometry
(e.g. Esin 1997, Ingram & Done 2011, Kara 2019)

And physical processes
(e.g. Uttley et al 2001, Churazov 1999)



Short Timescale Variability



X-ray fluctuations in accretion flow

Also O-IR variable on ~seconds timescales!

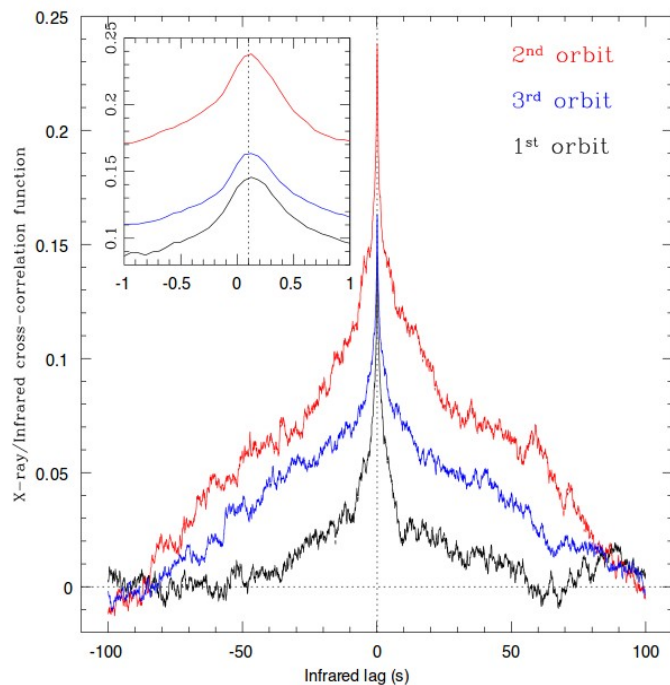
VARIABILITY IS CORRELATED

What is the origin?

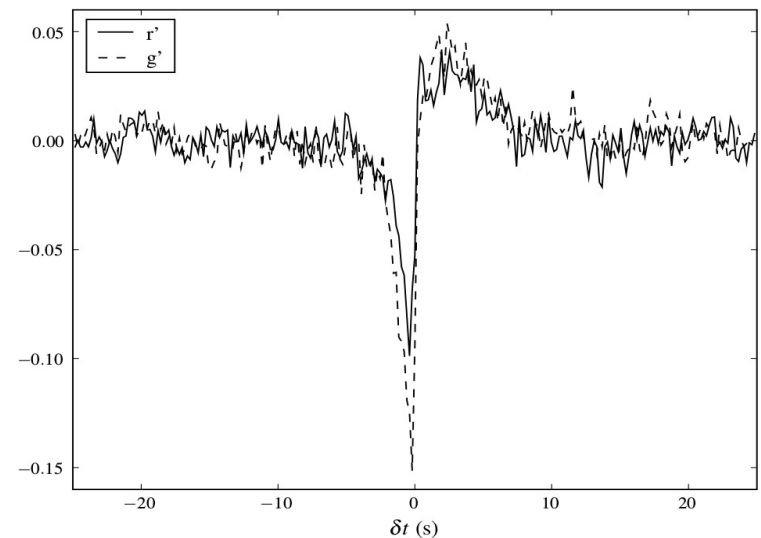
O-IR Short Timescale Variability

Cross correlation function: understanding physical process

2 behaviour observed:



-Symmetric CCF
-peaked at 0.1 s

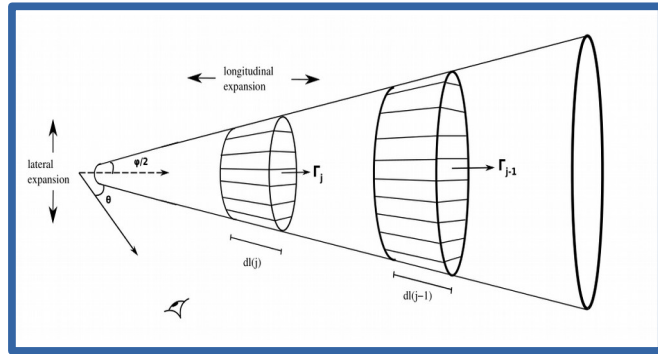


-Asymmetric CCF
-pre-cognition deep

JET

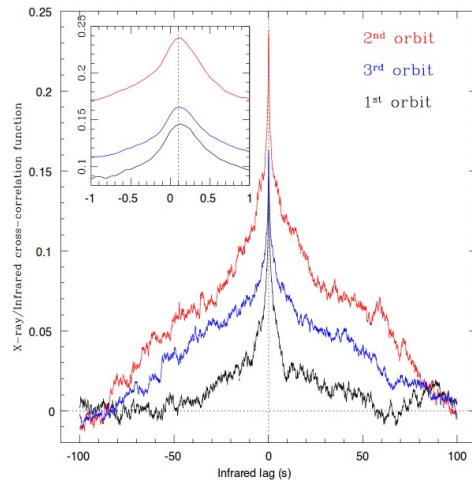
VS

HOT INFLOW



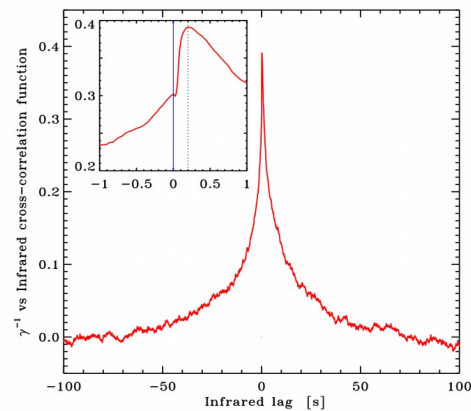
IR Generated by shocks from shells launched in the jet

Observed

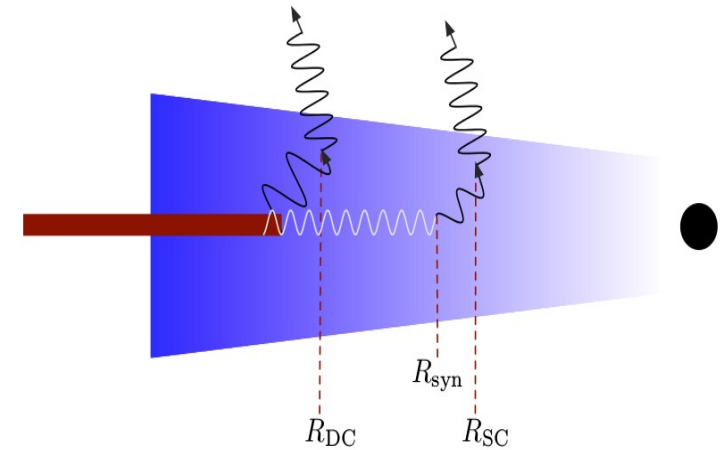


(Casella+2010)

Model



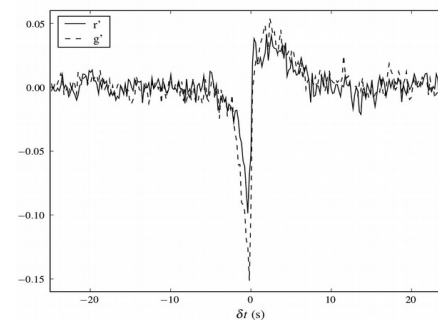
(Malzac 2014)



Synchrotron radiation from hot flow
(**optical**)

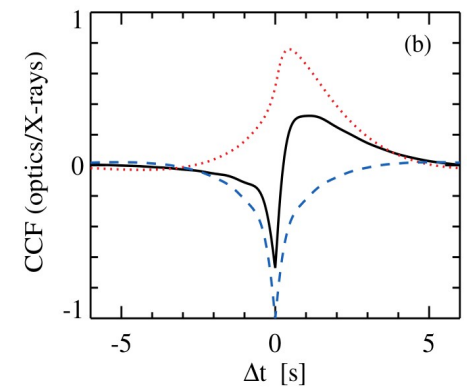
Self Synchrotron Compton from same electrons (X-rays)

Observed



(Durant+ 2011)

Model



(Veledina+ 2011)

SmartNet

Simultaneous Multiwavelength Astronomy Research in Transients NETWORK

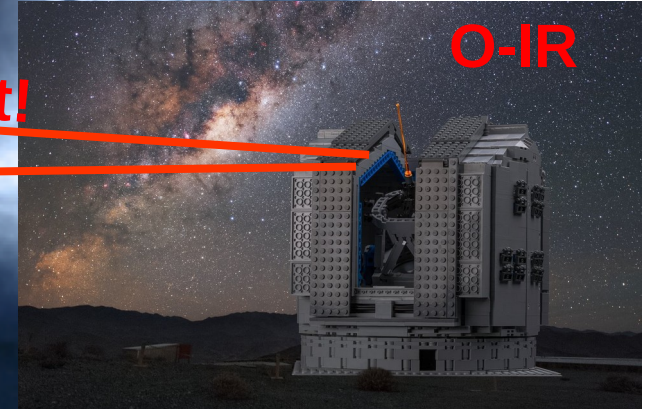
RADIO



Outer jet

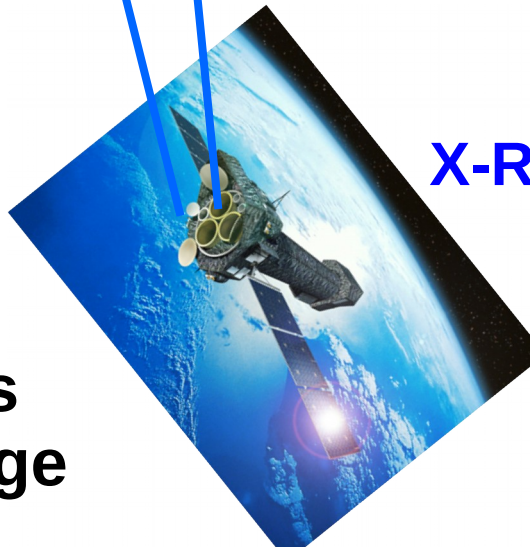
Base of the jet!

O-IR



Inflow

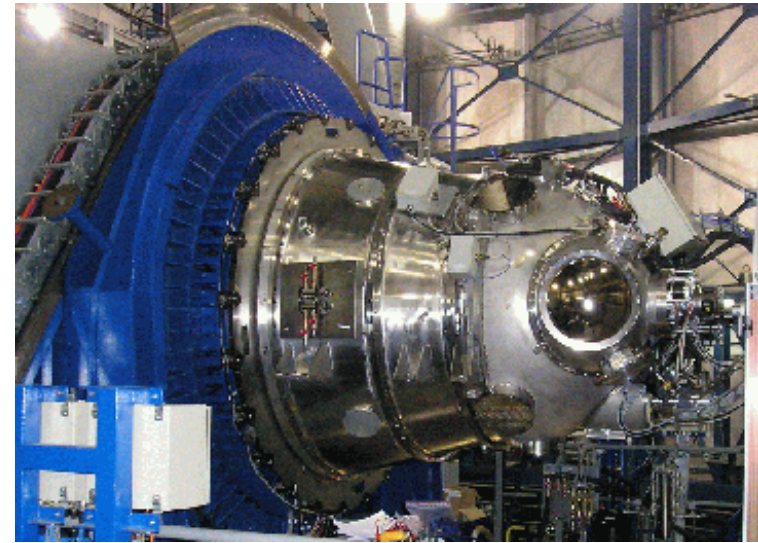
X-RAYS



**We NEED
STRICTLY Simultaneous
Multi-wavelength coverage**

FAST IR PHOTOMETRY

Observations taken at VLT
HAWKI in FastPhot mode

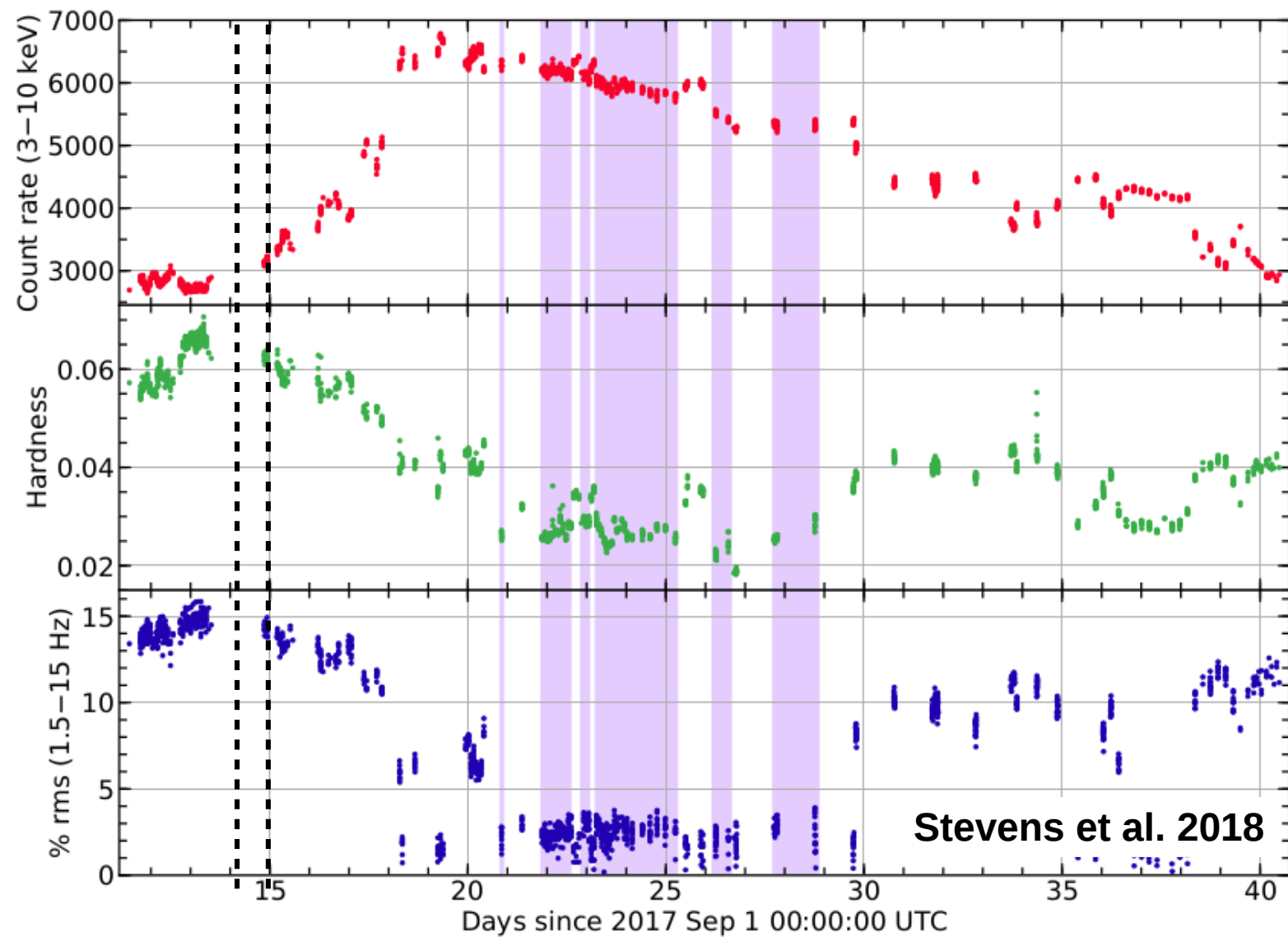


Fastest observation in NIR

Time resolution of ~ 0.1 s

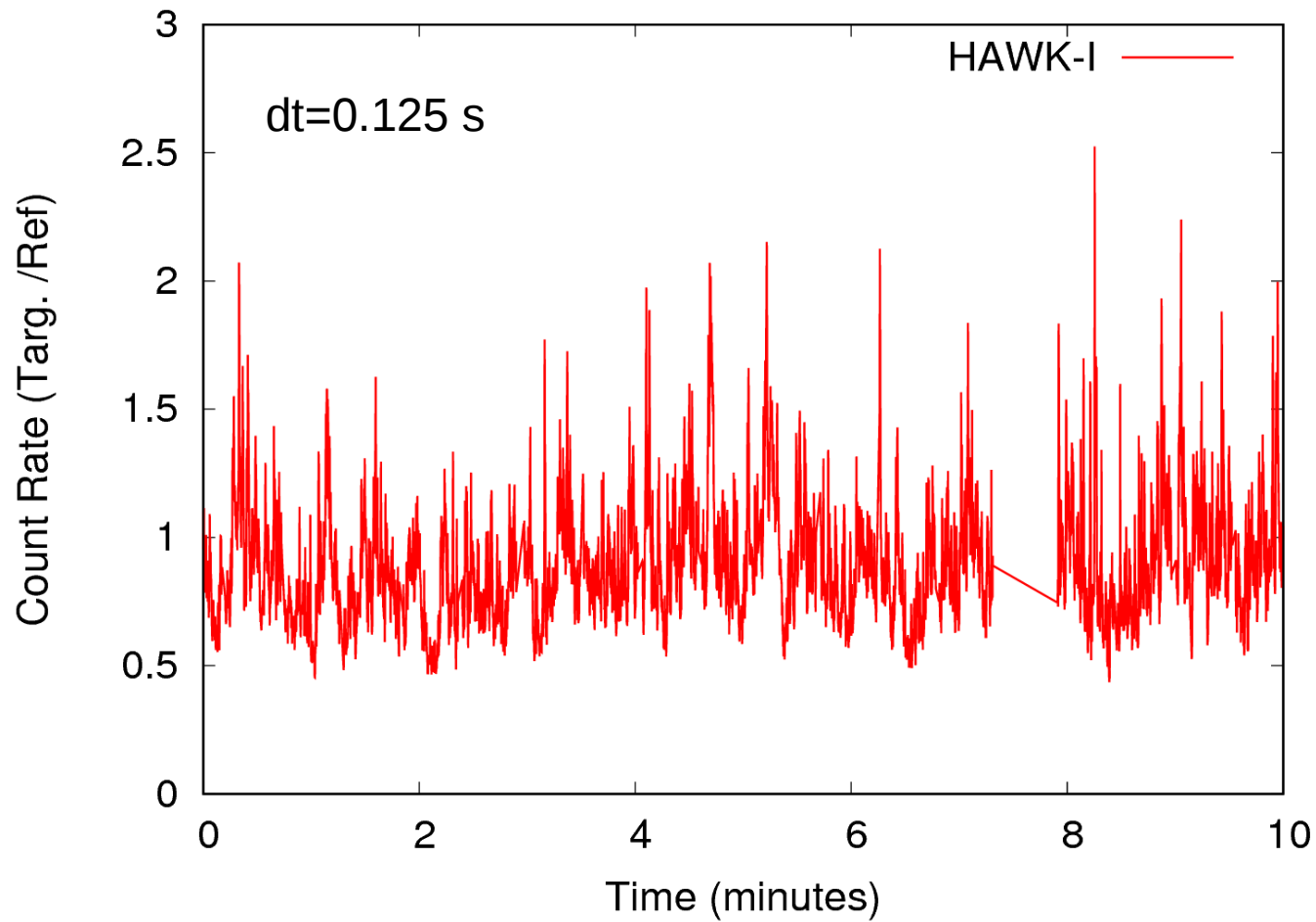
CASE OF MAXI J1535-571:

2 Strictly simultaneous XMM/VLT Observations



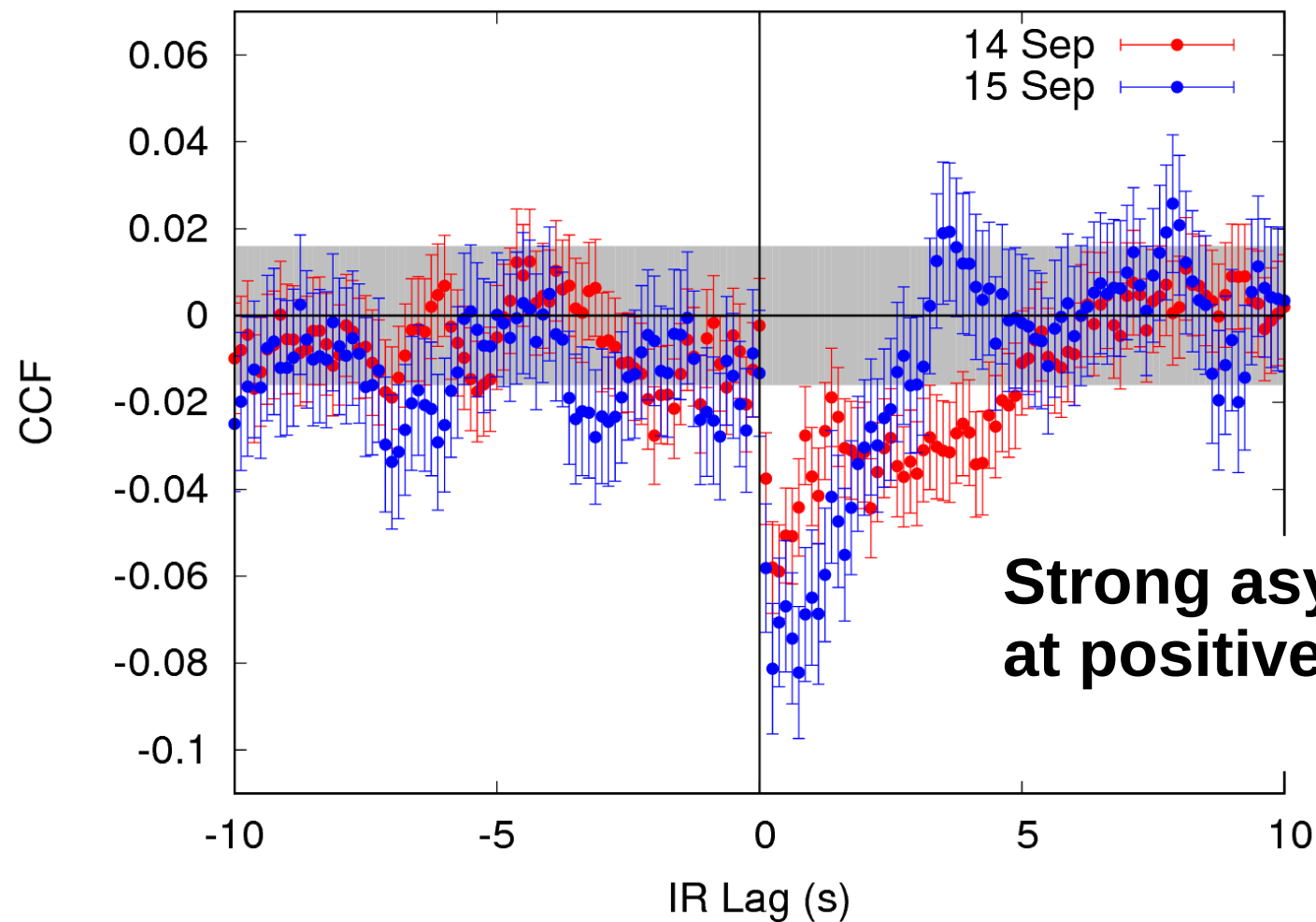
CASE OF MAXI J1535-571:

IR Lightcurve: Incredibly variable!



MAXI J1535-571:

CROSS-CORRELATION FUNCTION:

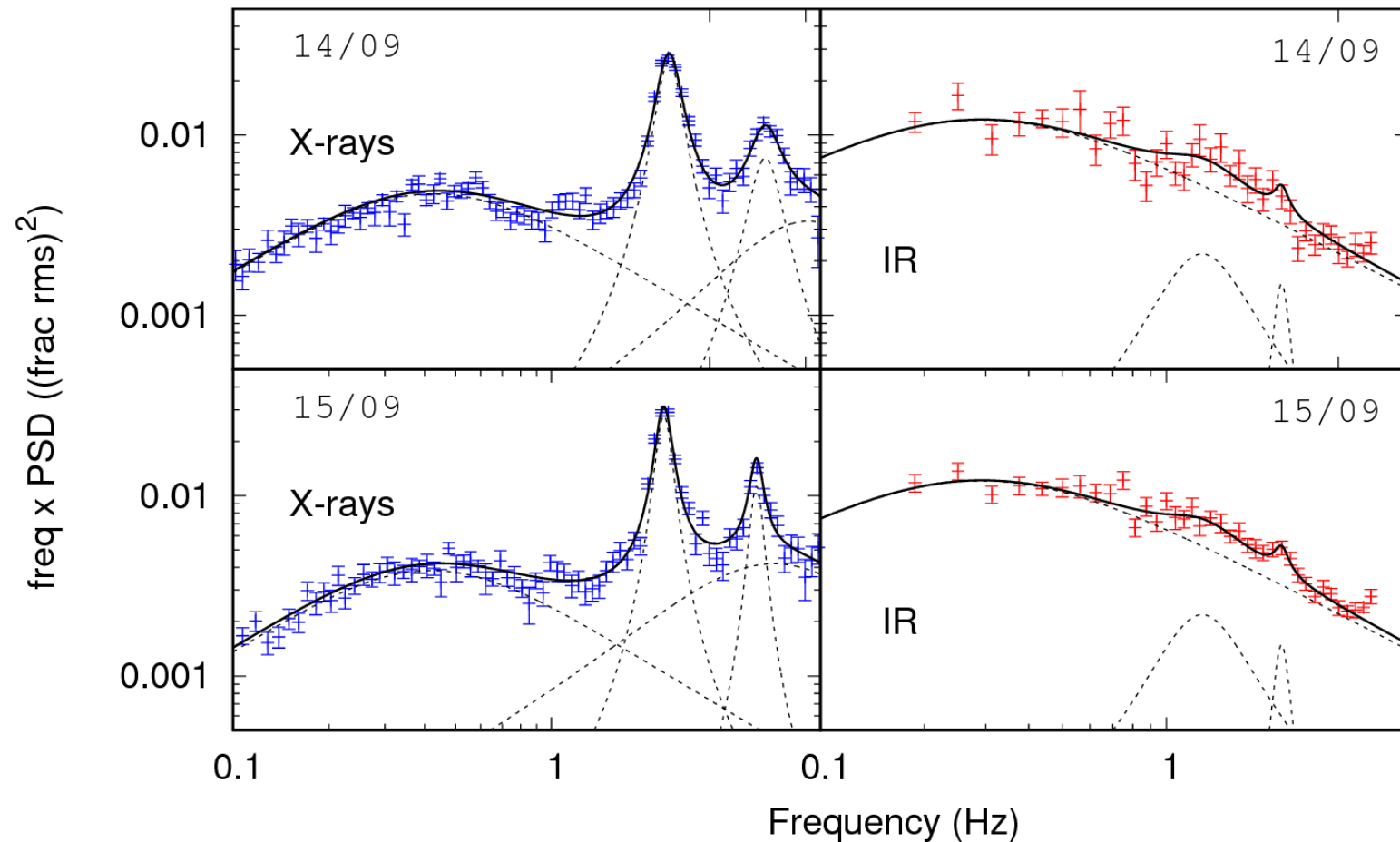


**Strong asymmetric dip
at positive lags!**

CASE OF MAXI J1535-571:

Strong QPOs in X-rays

FIRST DETECTION of IR QPO at the same frequency!

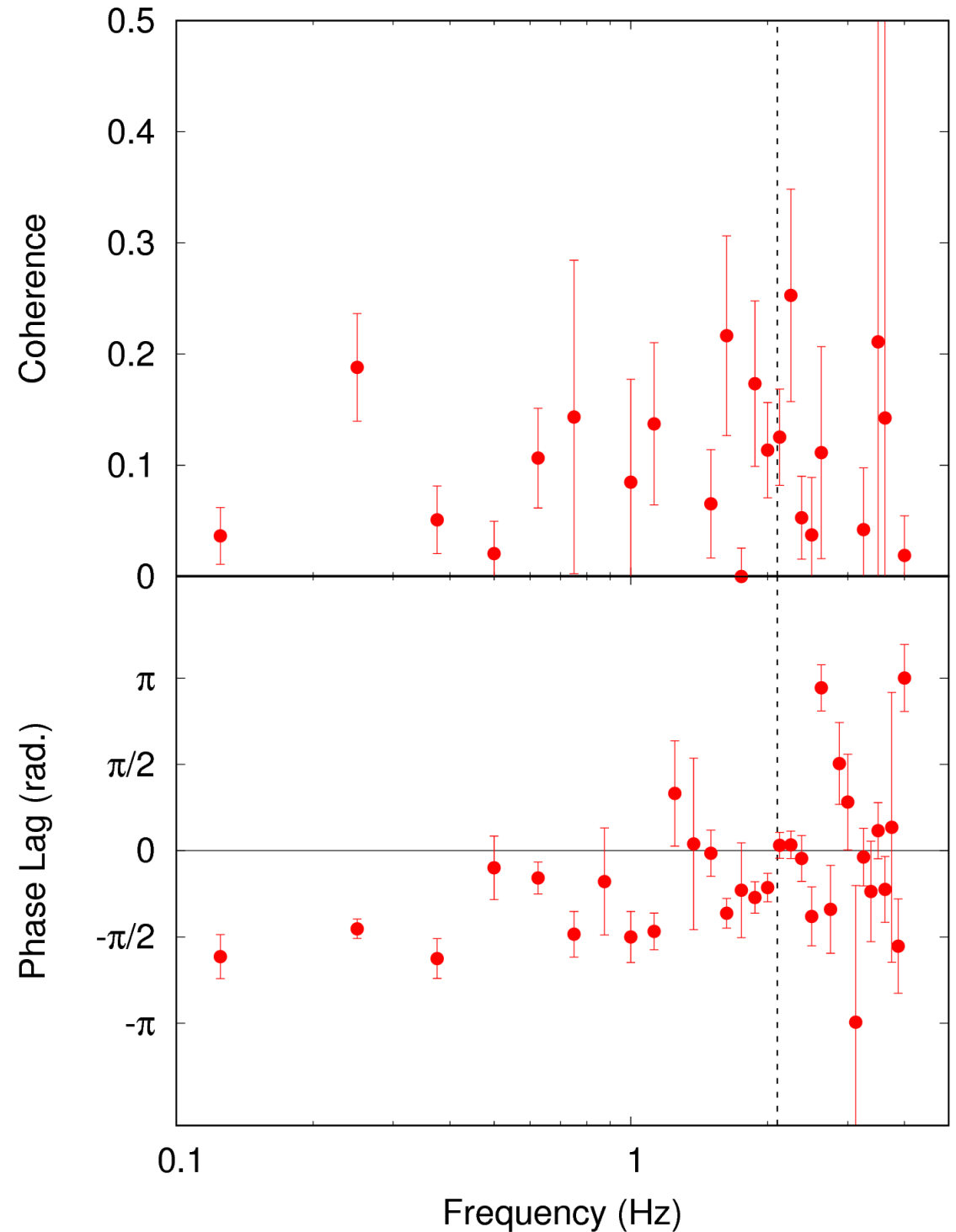


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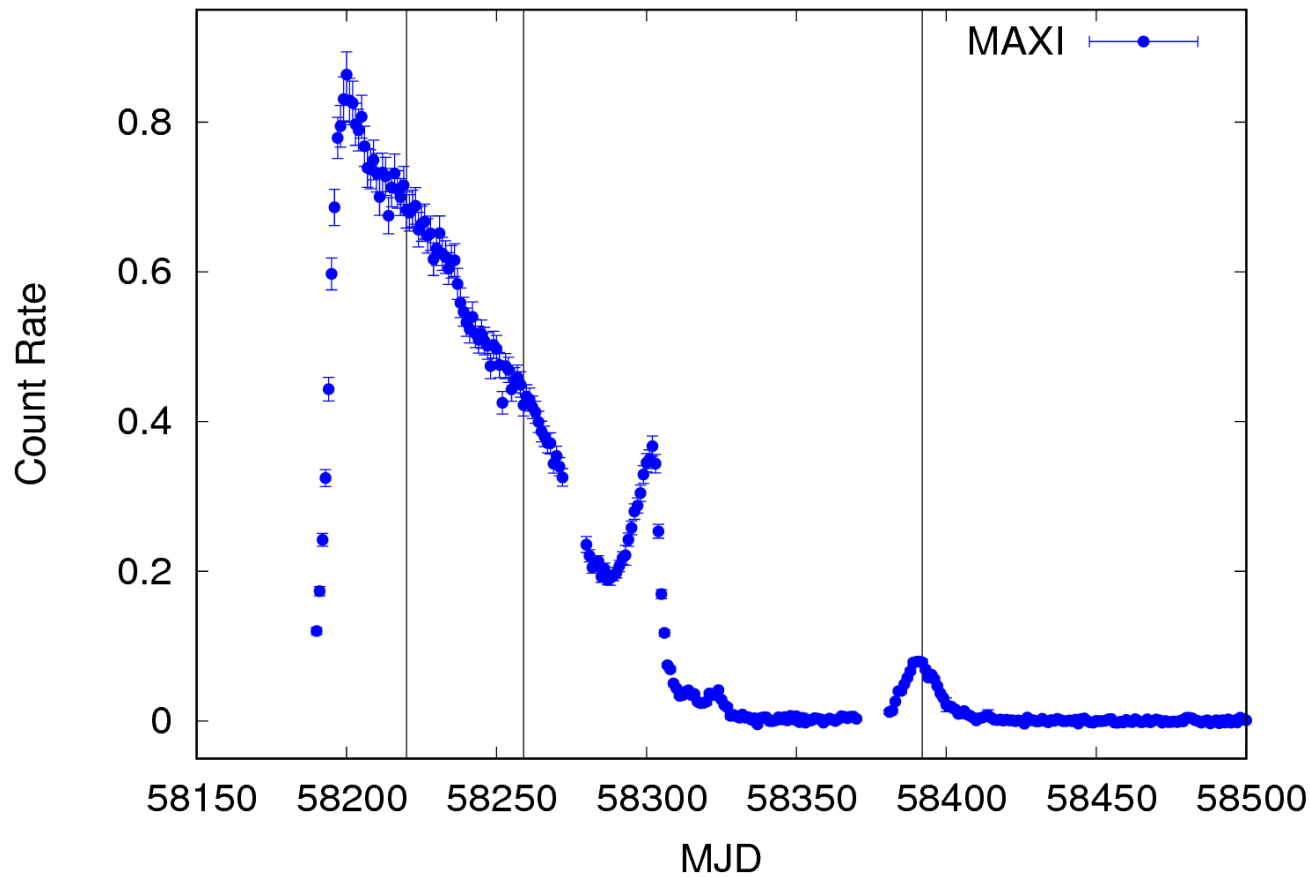
CROSS-SPECTRAL ANALYSIS

- Low coherence
- 0 lag at QPO!
- Negative lag at low frequencies

Vincentelli et al. (in prep)



MAXI 1820+070



3 FastIR observations during 2018

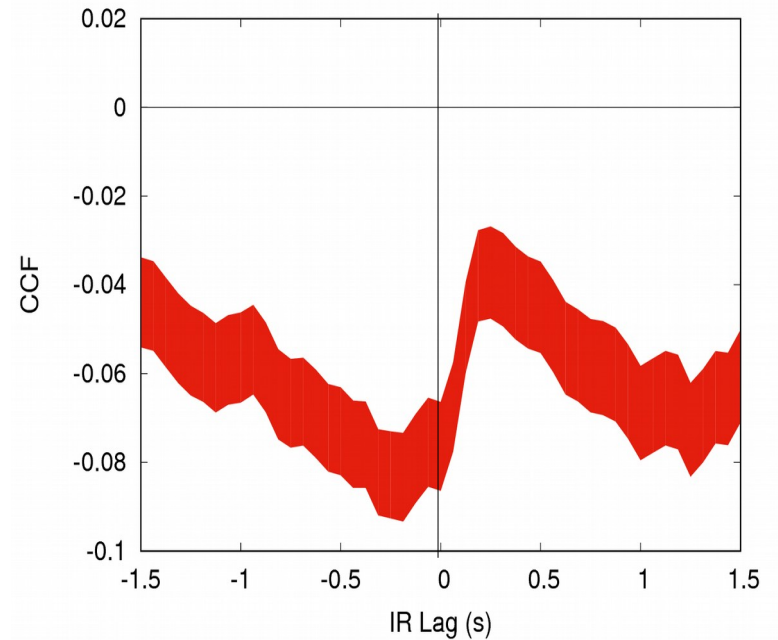
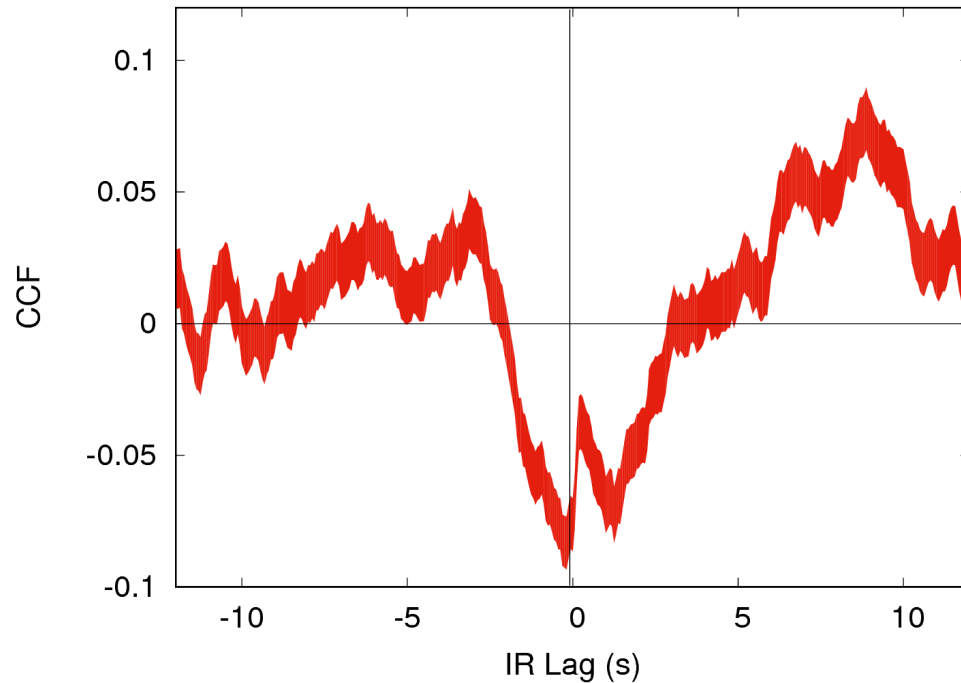
1 has XMM strict simultaneity

Remaining 2 has partial coverage with Nicer (work in progress)

MAXI 1820+070

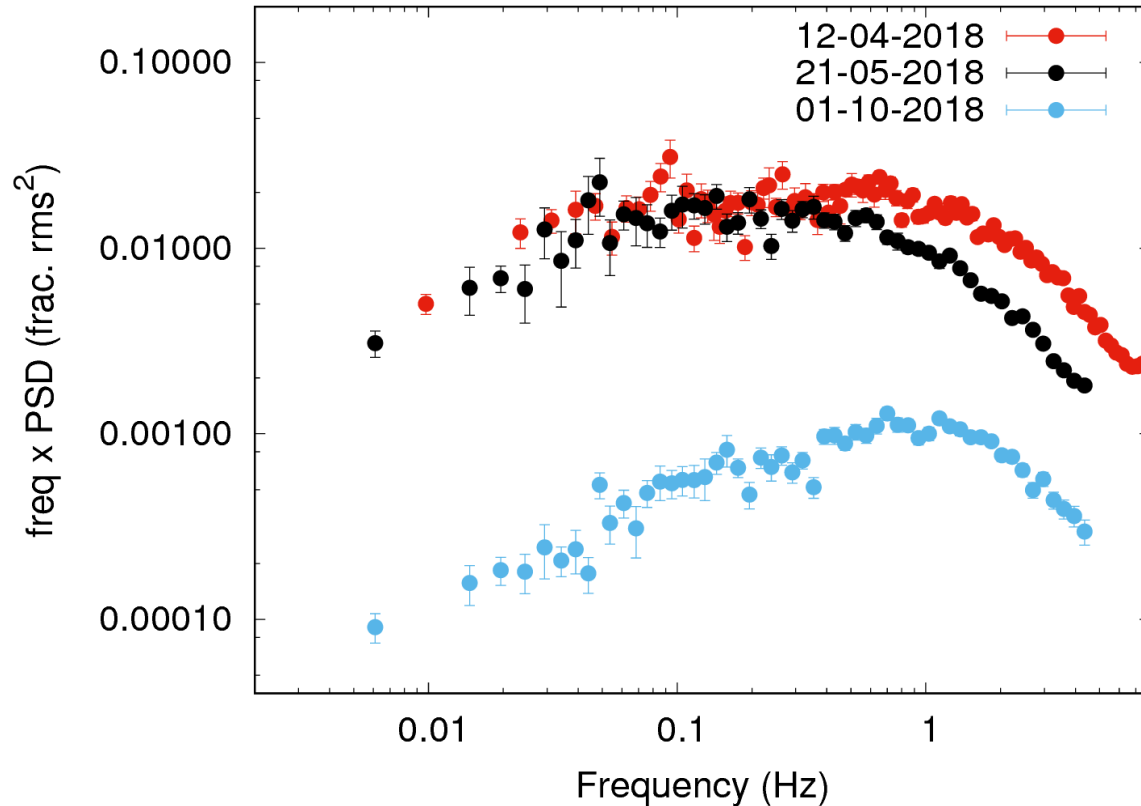
21-April

HAWK-I vs XMM



**FIRST BHT WITH
HOT-INFLOW AND JET?**

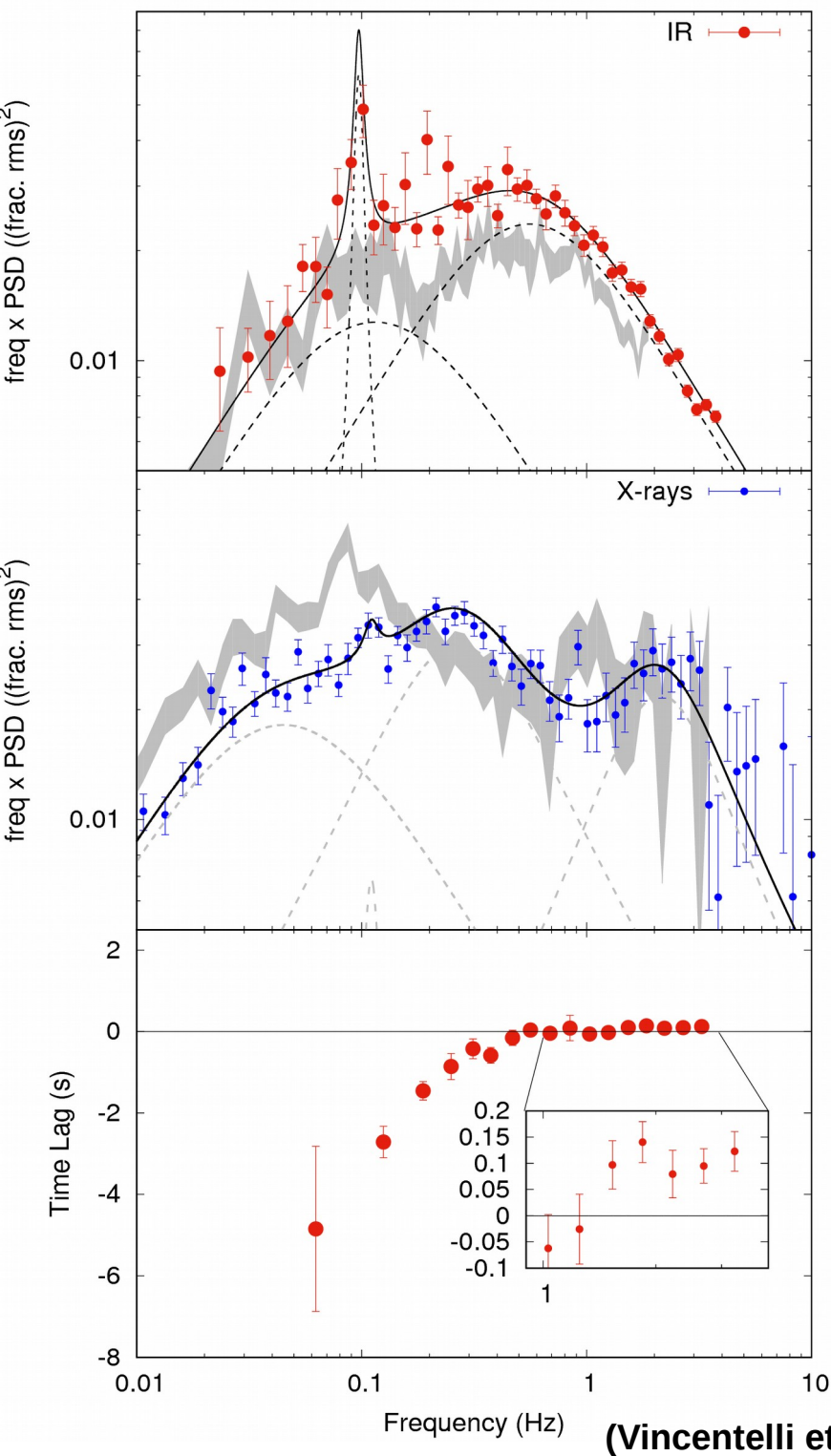
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Evolution of the IR PSD

Main changes at low freq.

High Frequencies have similar break!



Constant high frequency break

Already seen in GX 339-4
(Vincentelli et al, submitted)

Difficult to reconcile with hot inflow

Constant break expected by internal shocks

Or constant launching radius?

Summary

- **Variability important tool to constrain geometry**
- **Fast O-IR variability growing field**
- **Hot inflow and internal shocks 2 main models for O-IR emission**
- **MAXI J 1535 First IR/X-ray QPO at same frequency**
- **MAXI J 1820: evidence for hot inflow and jet coexisting**

THANK YOU