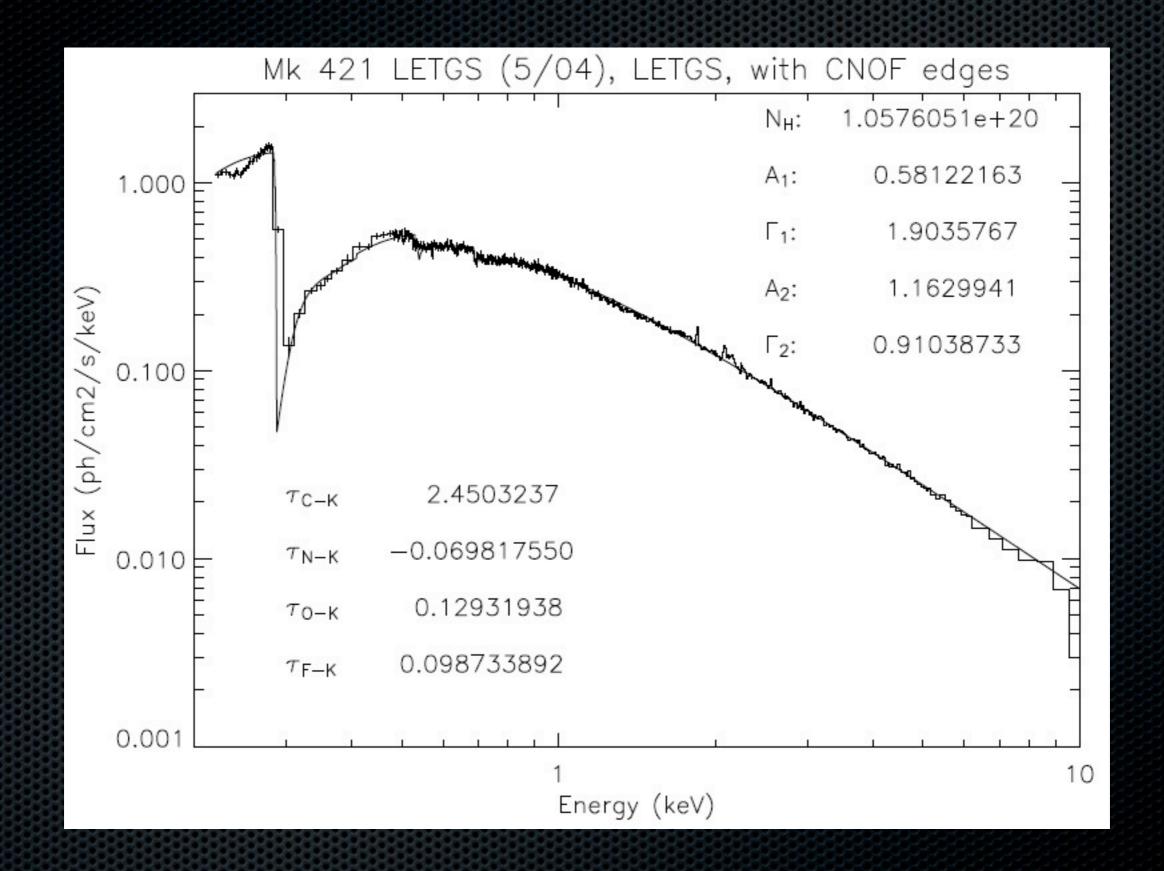
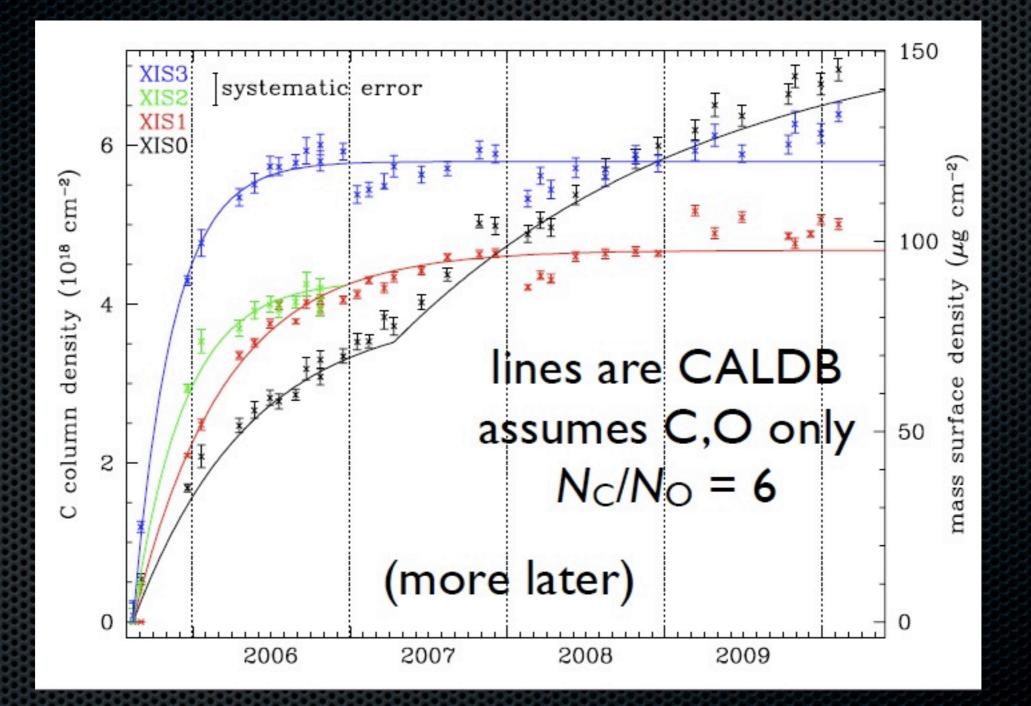
Contamination Working Group

Who's got it?

- Einstein SSS (ice)
- ASCA (Hydrocarbon)
- Chandra ACIS and HRMA
- XMM RGS
- Suzaku
- Hinode
- Hubble WFC3/IR



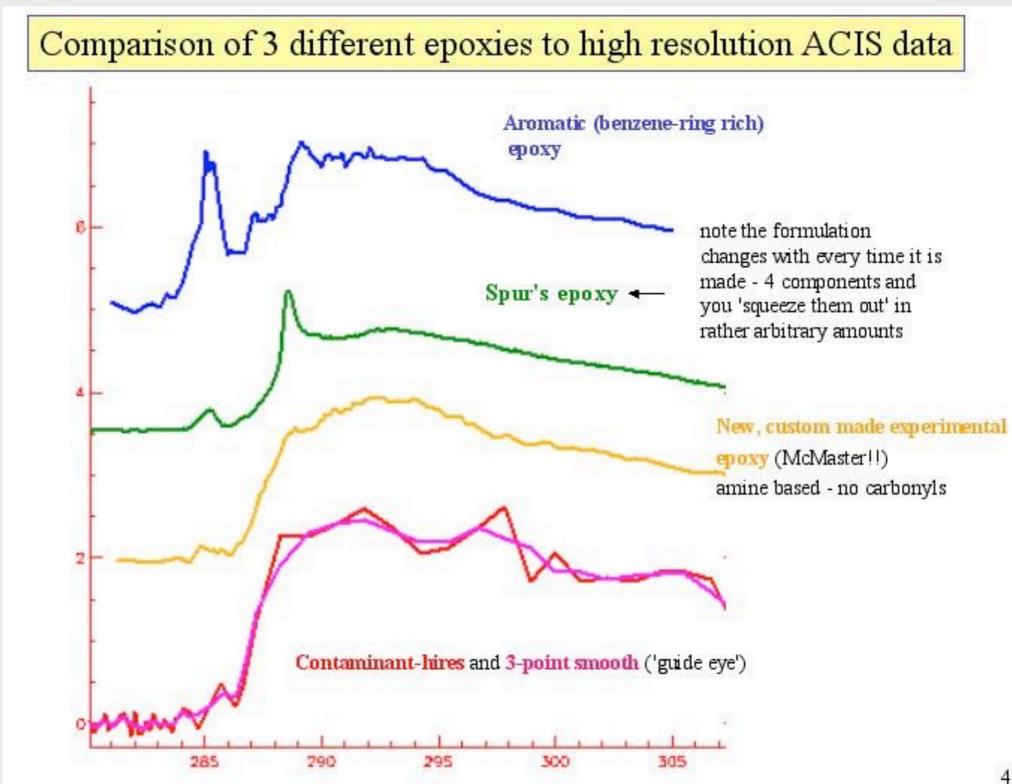
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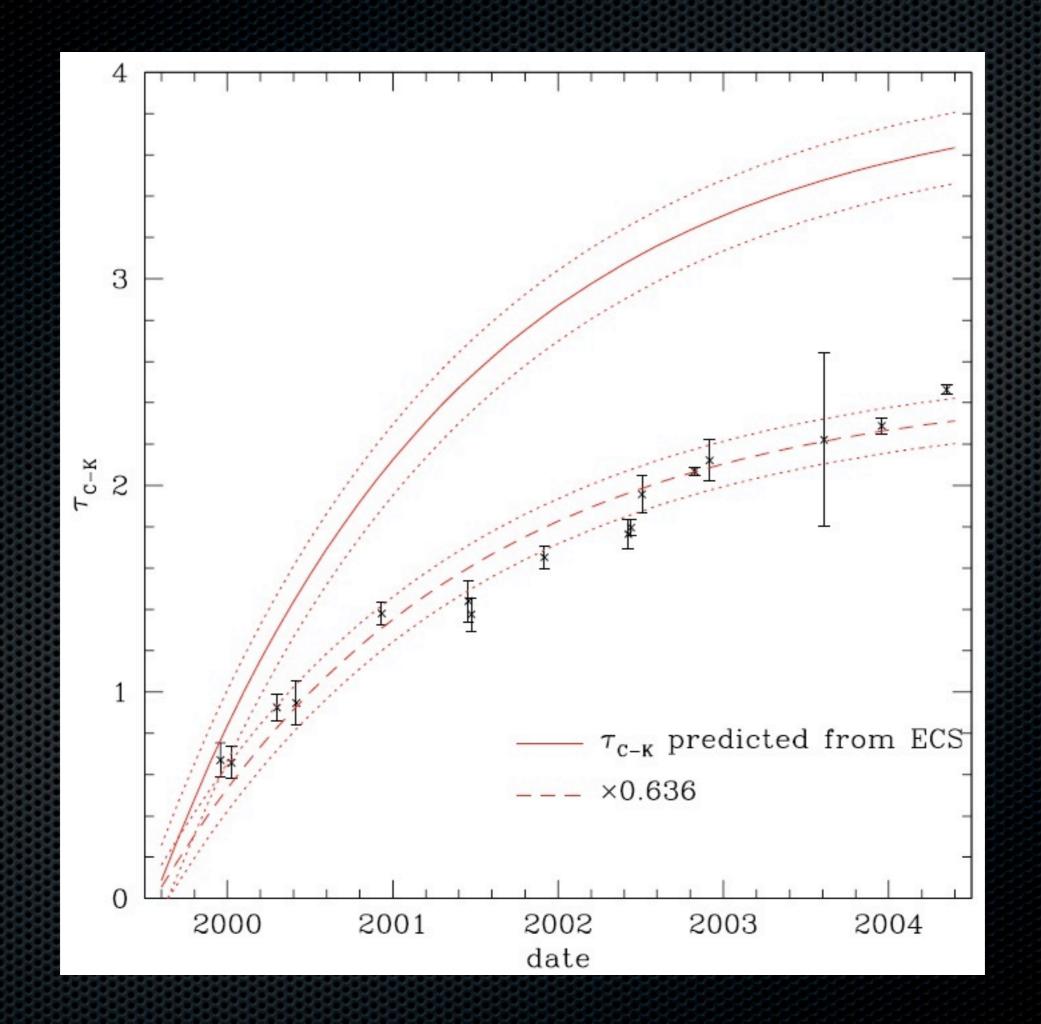


from Eric Miller

What is it?

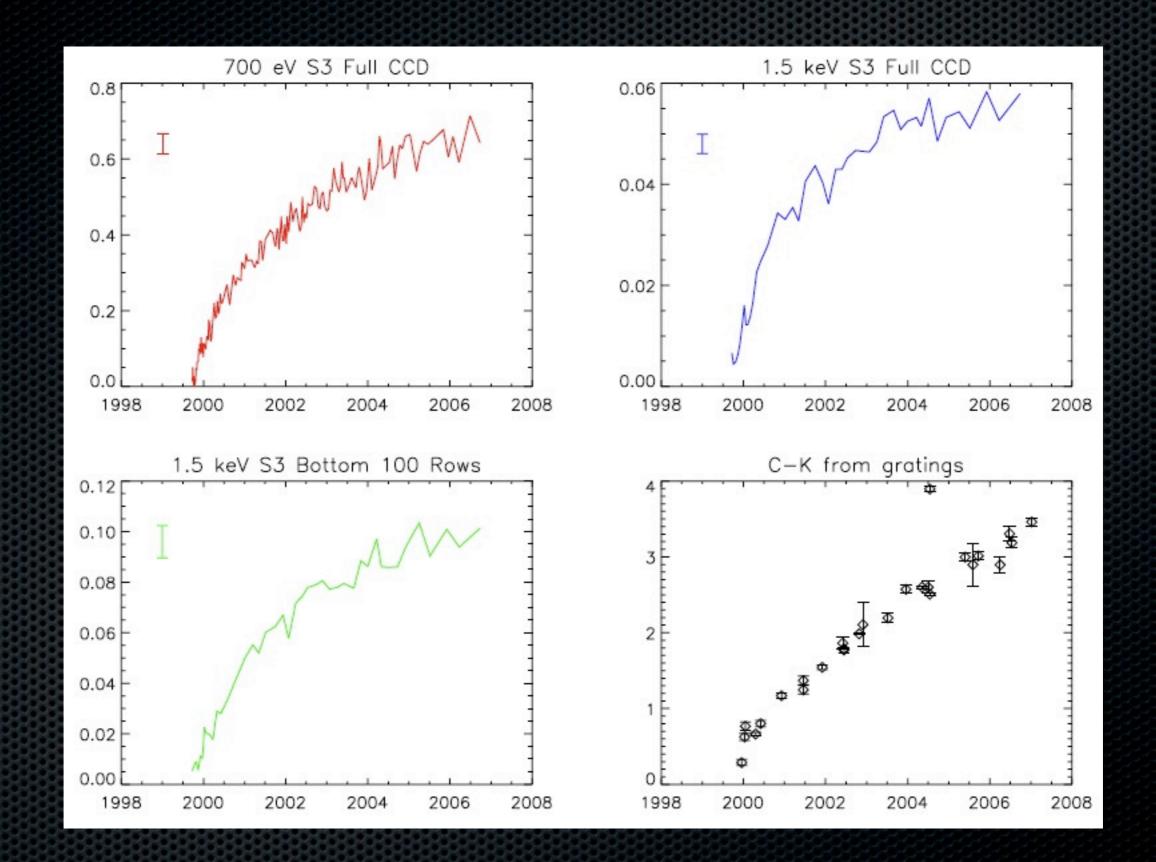
- Generally unknown --> often composition is assumed
- Chandra (using LETG/ACIS)
 - $n(C)/n(O) = 11.5 \pm 1$
 - $n(C)/n(O) = 14 \pm 1$
 - n(C)/n(N) > 30
 - Weak/no 285 eV absorption --> not aromatic HC
 - Spatially/temporally variable





Problems

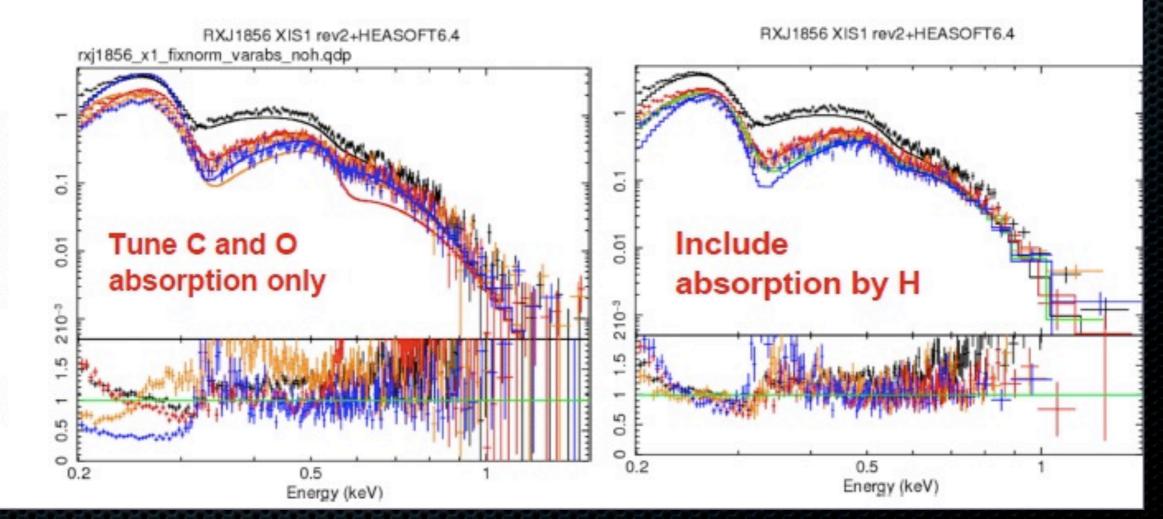
- Chandra
 - Optical depths grow differently
 - Single CFO model doesn't fit
- Suzaku
 - Growth rates vary by detector
 - Composition may vary temporally
- Other satellites: clumped in blobs



Suzaku

Factor of 2 underestimate below 0.3keV

- Unable to improve the fit only with C & O
- Absorption by Heavier Element No apparent edge found
- Absorption by H (or He) but too much ~10²¹cm²
- Constant Factor (Grading Problem at low energy?)



normalized counts s⁻¹ keV

Remaining Problems

Chandra

- Different models for ACIS-I, ACIS-S
- Arbitrary spectral component added ("gaussium")
- Suzaku
 - compositional variation
 - small, rapid changes
- Others?