

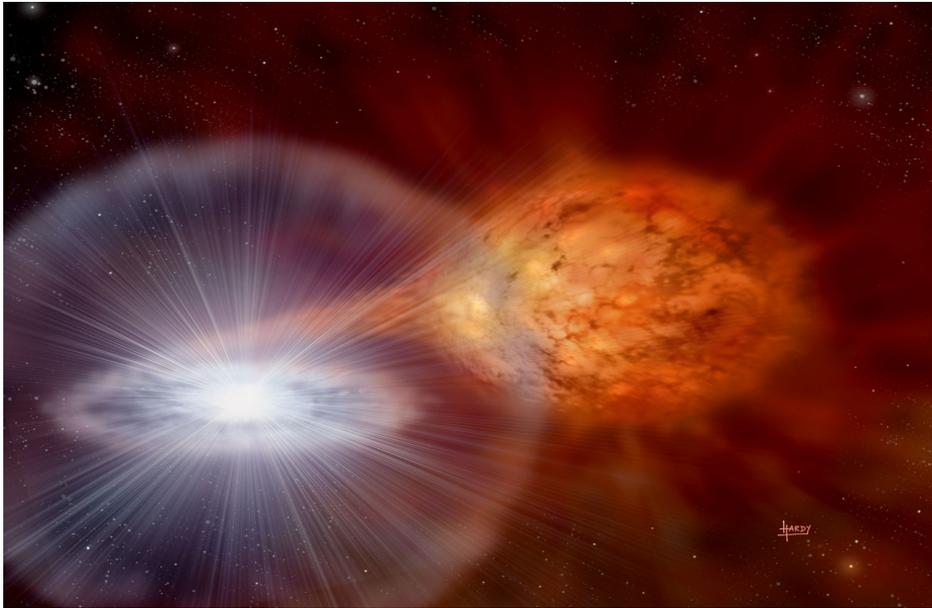


# (Mainly) X-ray Observations of Novae with *Swift*

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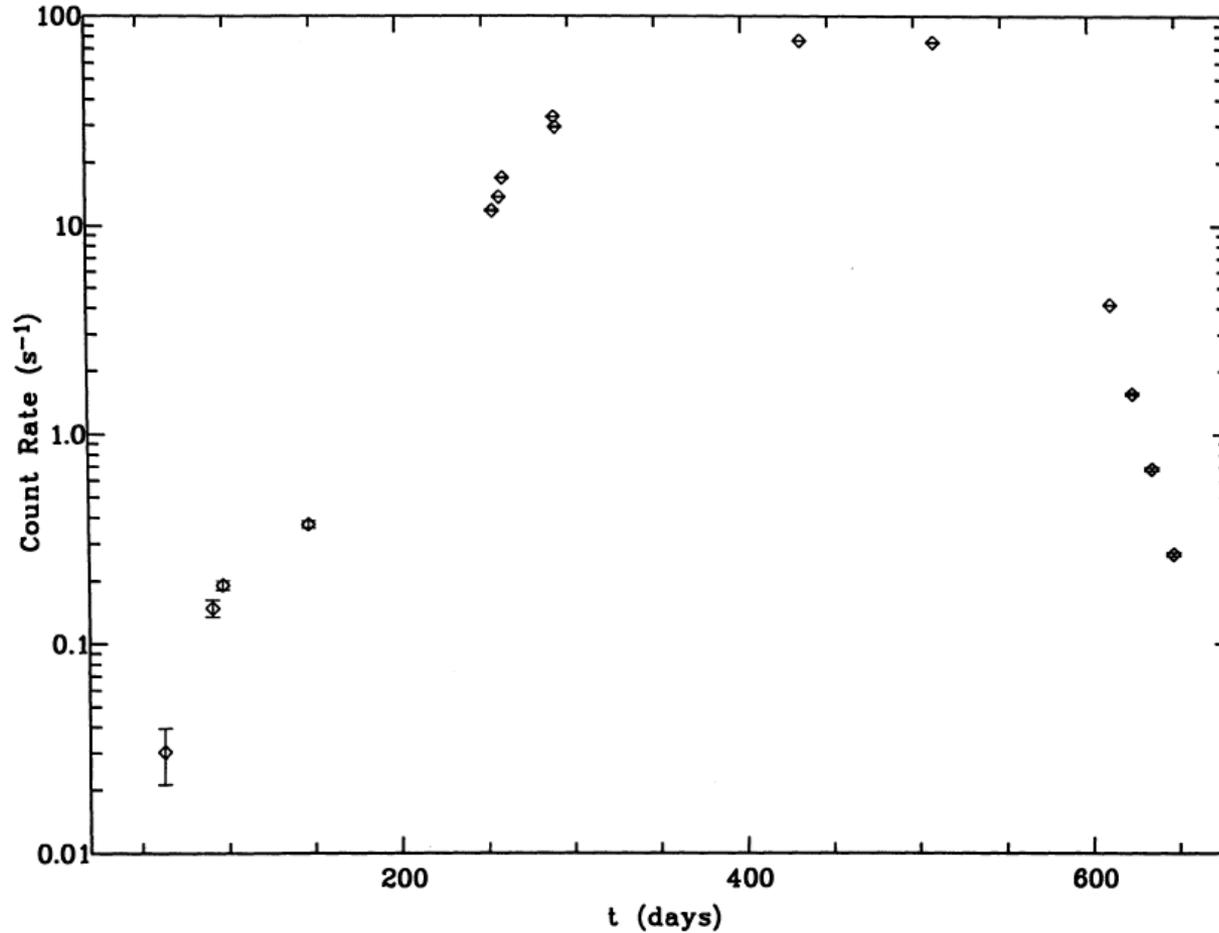
(On behalf of the *Swift* Nova-CV Group)

Novae are binary systems comprising a white dwarf which accretes H-rich material from a companion until the temperature and pressure are sufficient for a thermo-nuclear runaway to occur, forming the observed nova explosion.

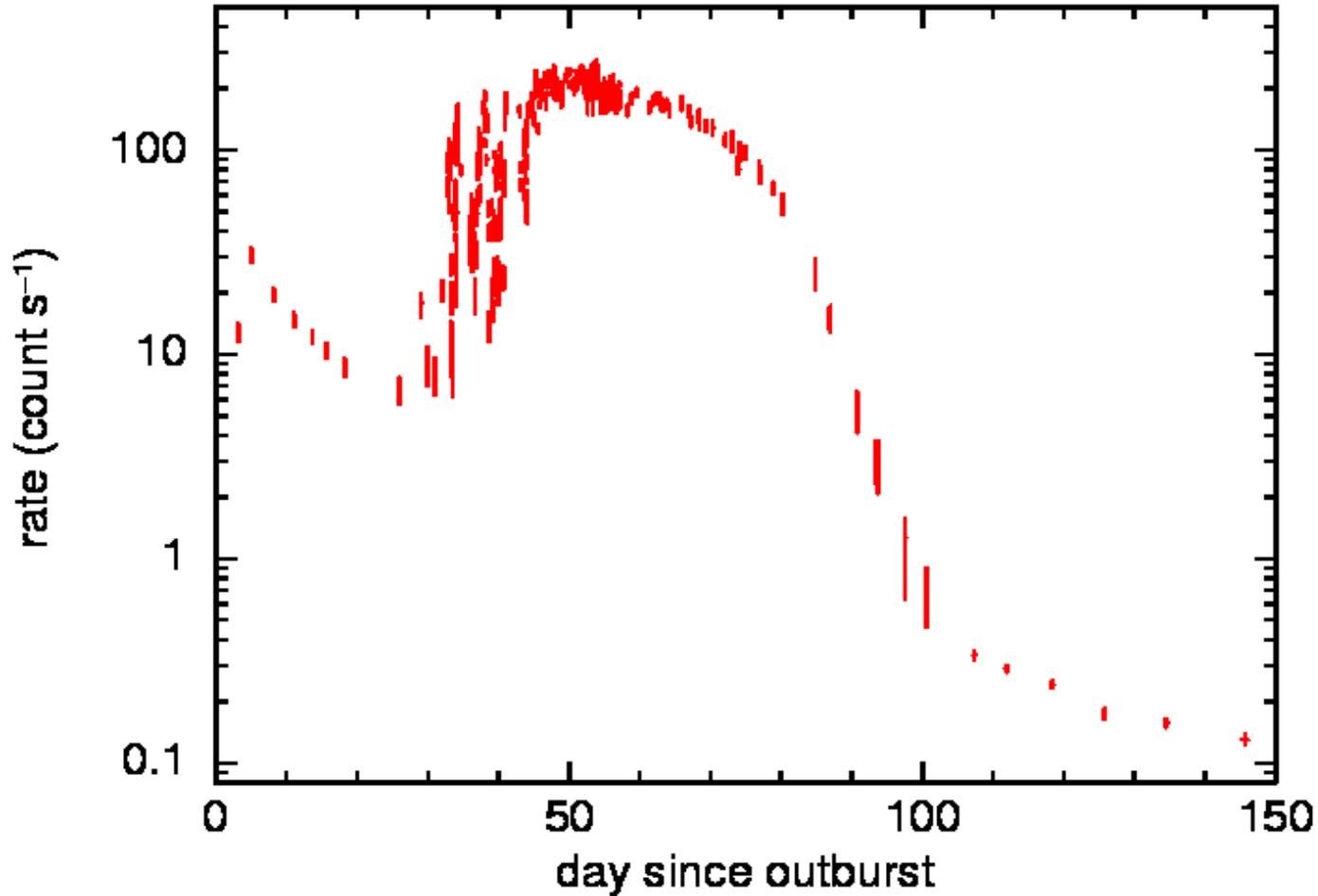


- ★ Some novae are possible SN Ia progenitors.
- ★ They are a source of mid-weight elements
- ★ Optically luminous, interesting physics.
- ★ X-rays from:
  - ★ Hot WD (nuclear burning)
  - ★ High-velocity shocks
  - ★ Re-established accretion

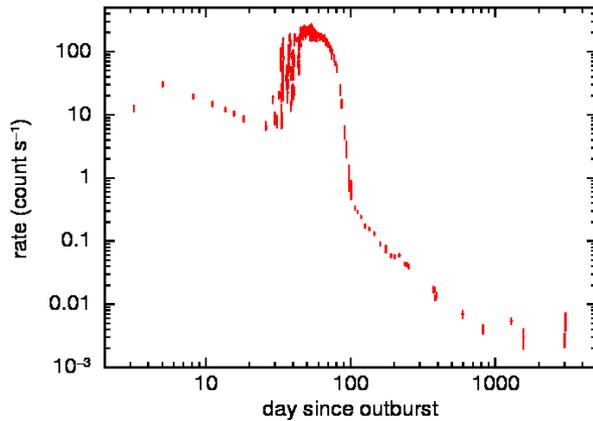
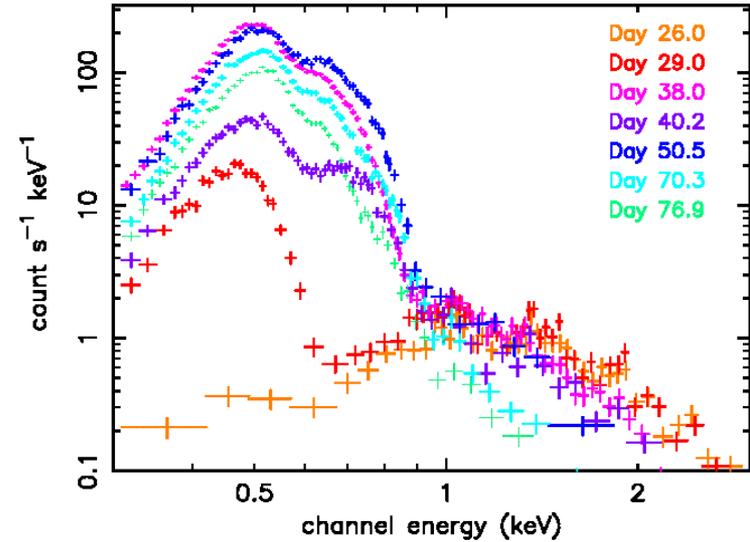
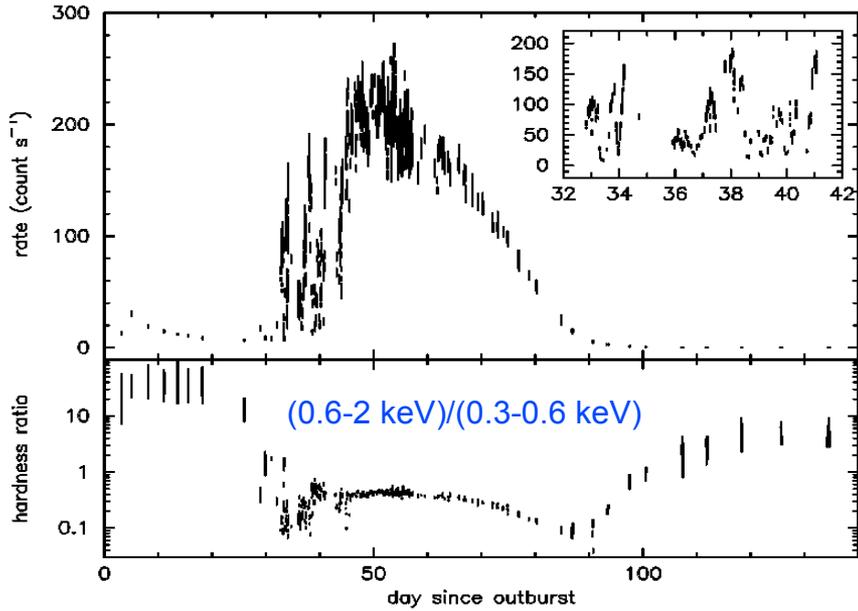
Swift observations have shown that novae can evolve quickly and dramatically so the sensitive instruments and rapid response (within a day of discovery) capability of Swift are extremely useful.



Nova V1974 Cyg 1992  
Krautter et al. (1996)



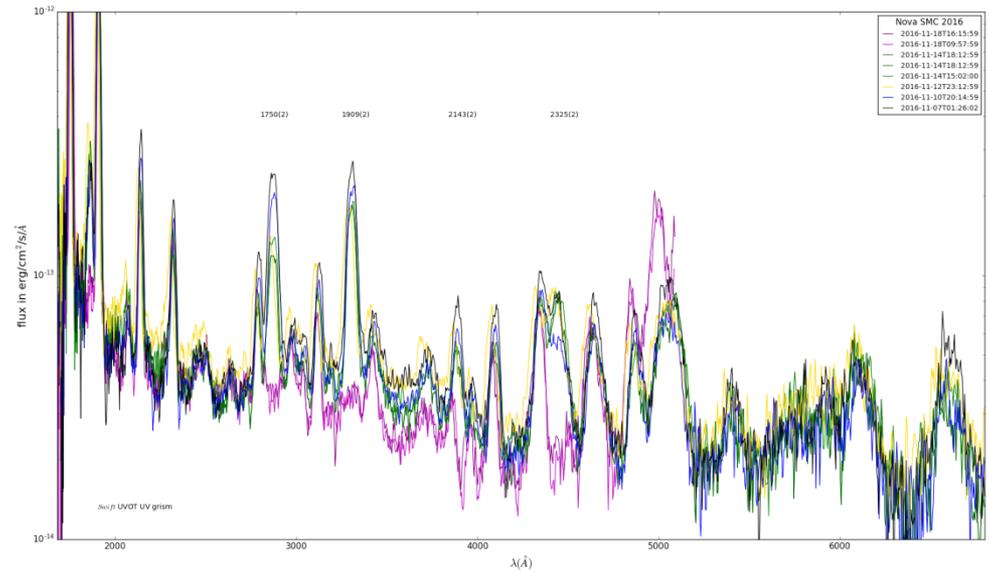
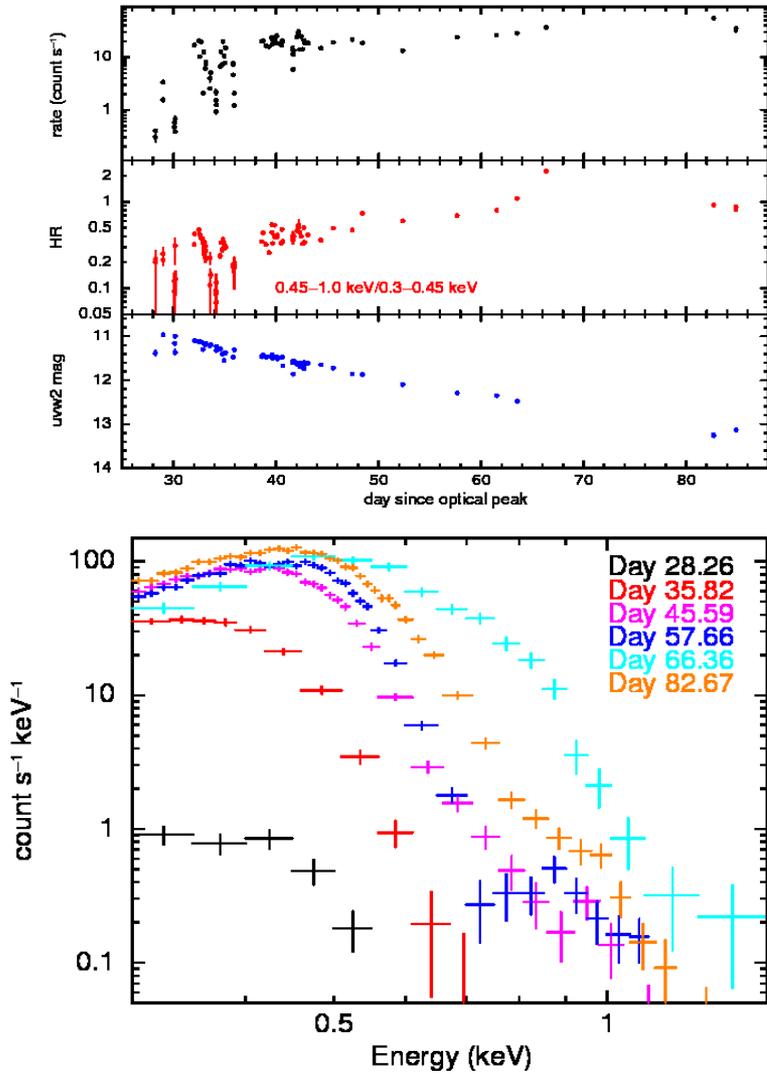
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Osborne et al. (2011)



See Osborne et al., 2011, ApJ, 727, 124 for more details.

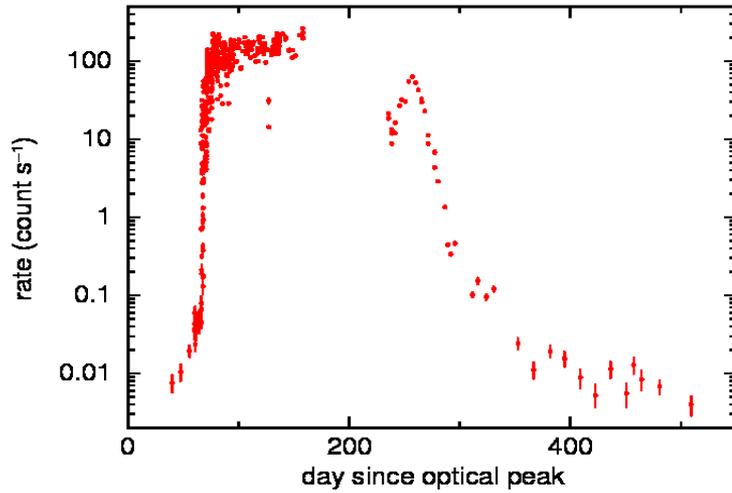


Nova SMC 2016

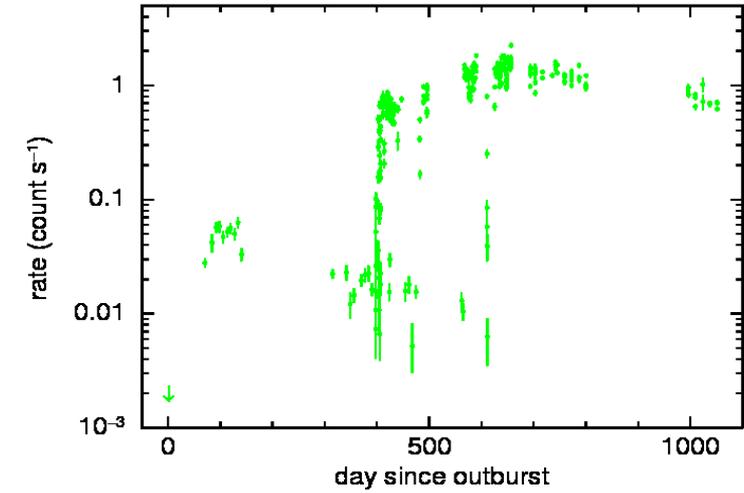


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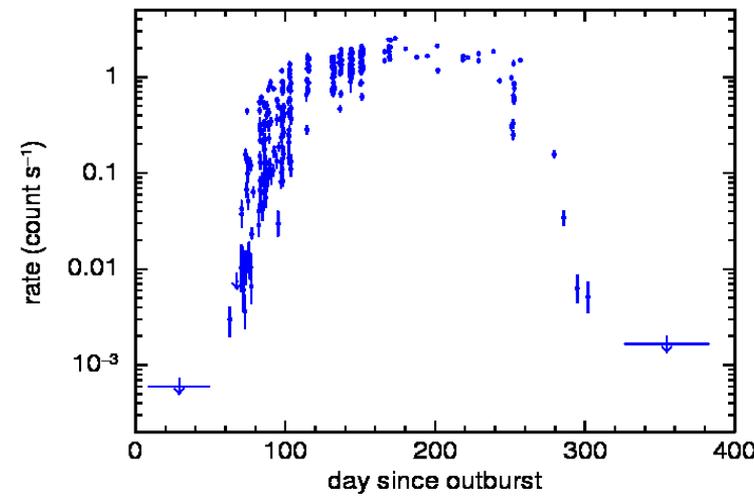
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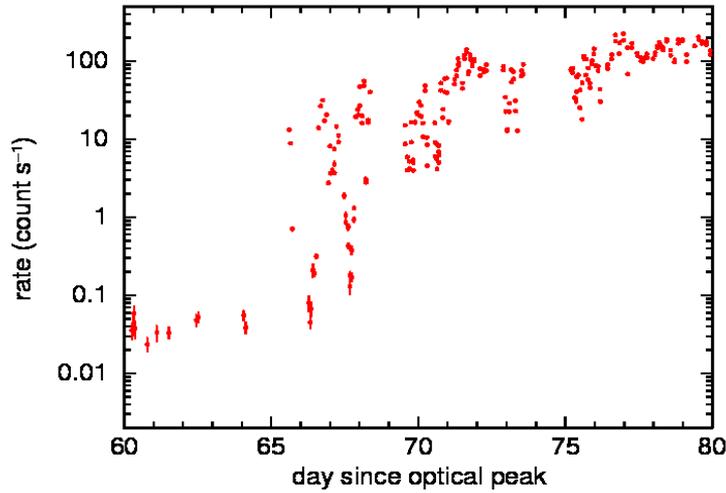
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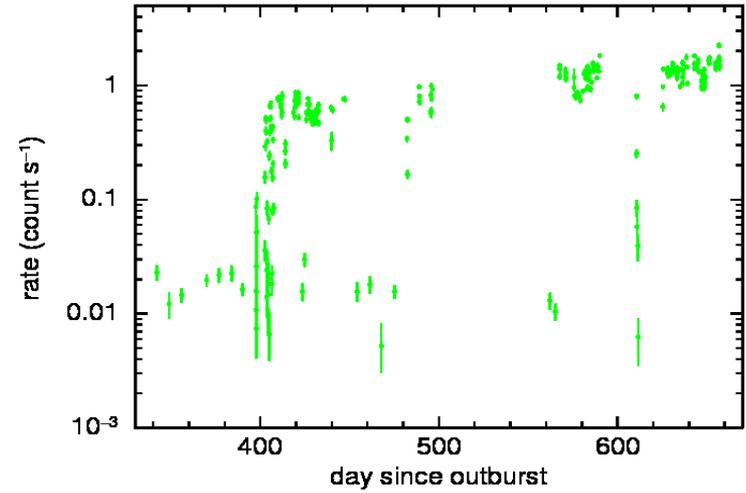
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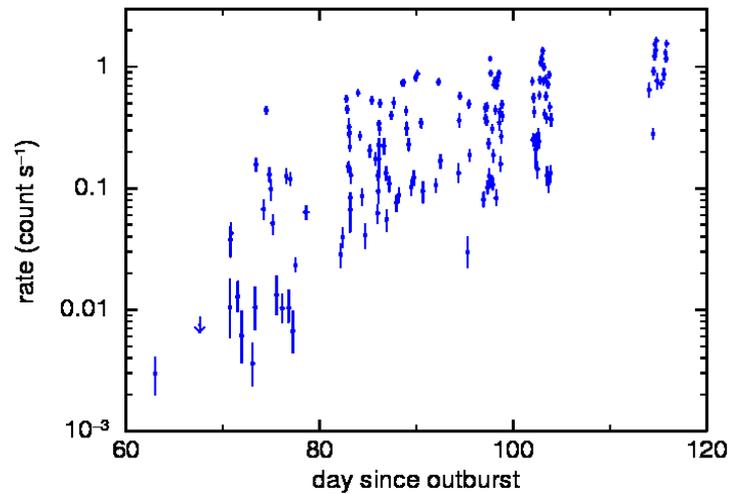
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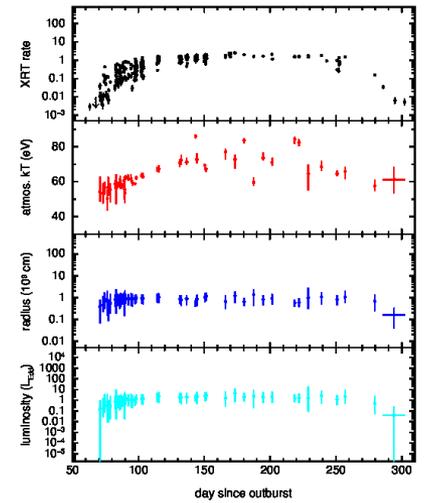
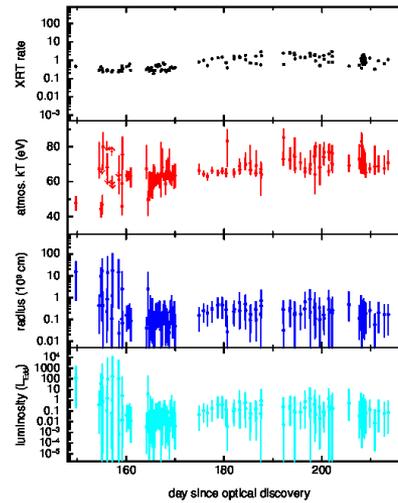
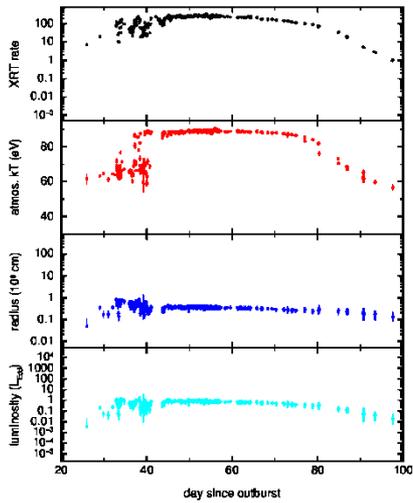
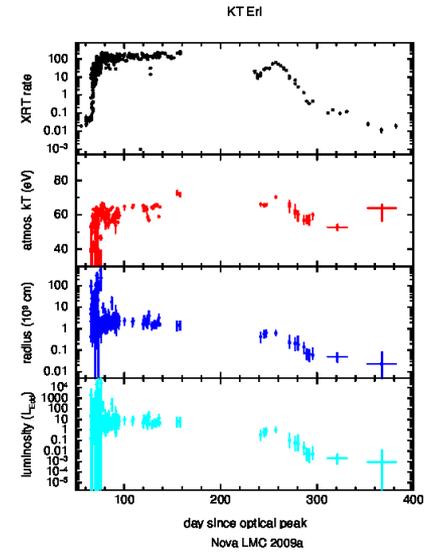
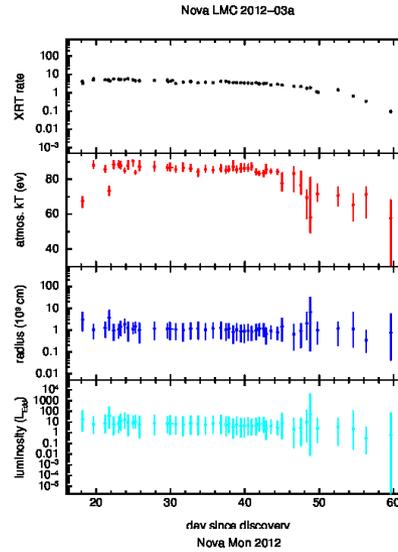
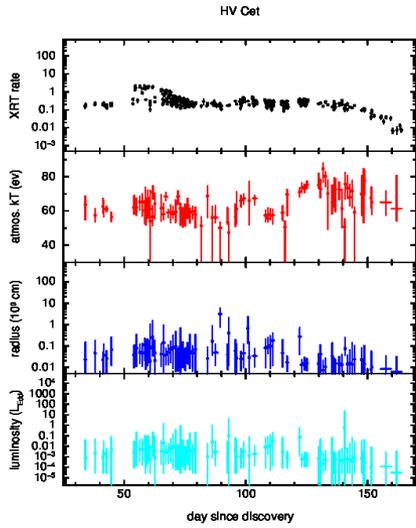


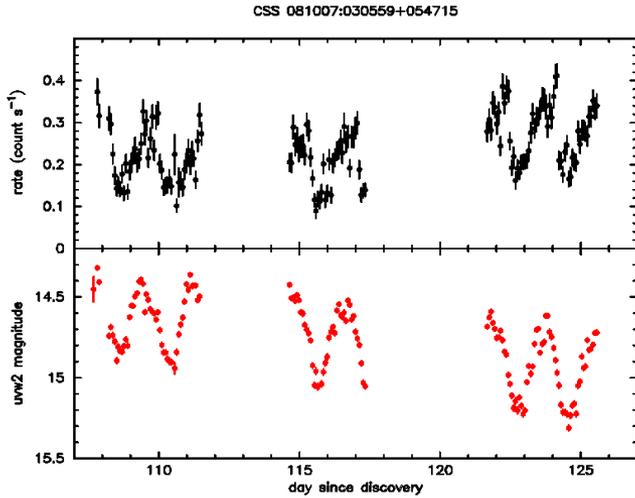
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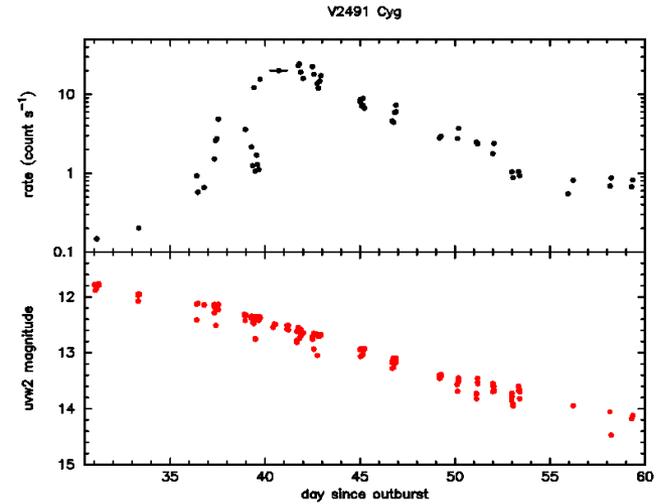






In phase: obscuration  
in a high-inclination  
system?

Anti-phase:  
temperature  
variations?



No correlation:  
different emitting  
regions for X-ray and  
UV?

