

# Multi-epoch variability of $\alpha_{ox}$ in the CDFS

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+ Dario Trevese, Maurizio Paolillo, ...

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# outline

present work on the XMM CDF-S data is part of a research  
on the variability of  $\alpha_{\text{ox}}$  with analyses of more samples

the  $\alpha_{\text{ox}}\text{-L}_{\text{UV}}$  relation

dispersion and variability

## **samples with simultaneous X-UV measurements**

XMMSSC+XMMOMSUSS  
Grupe+ 2010 /Swift

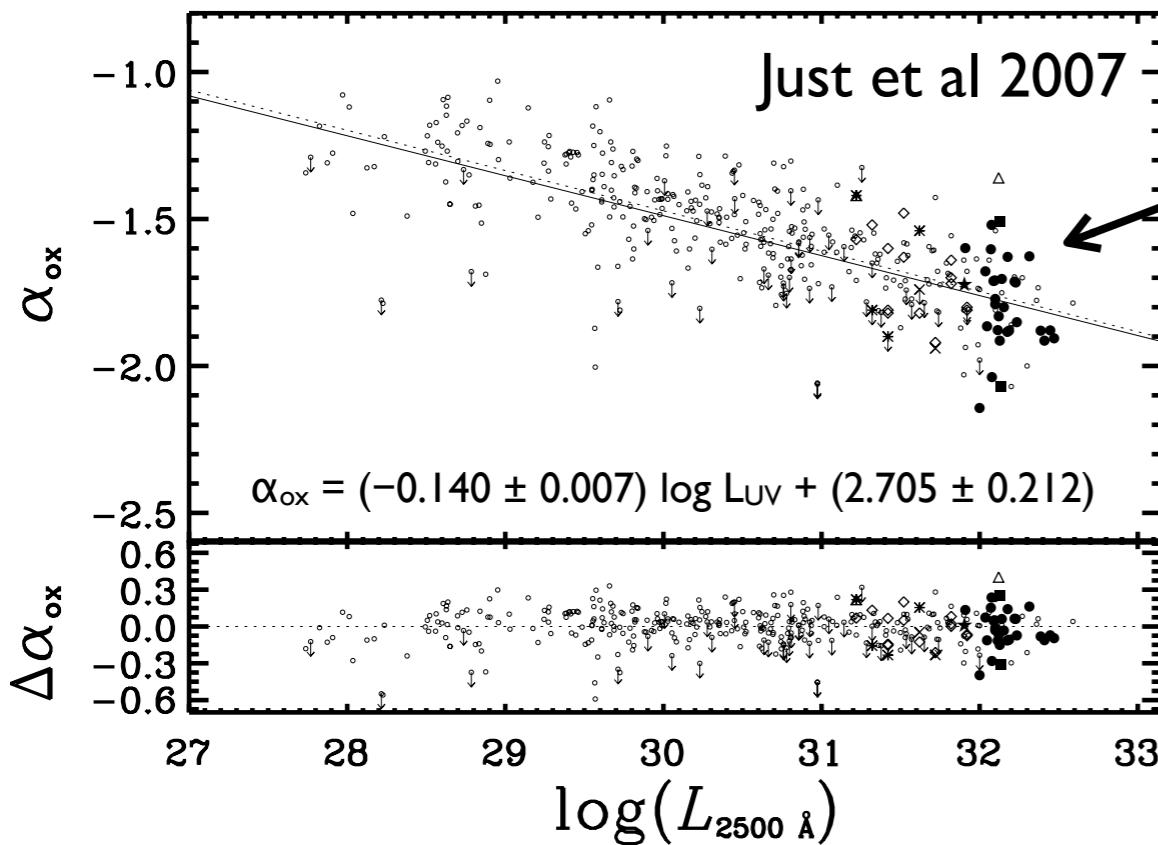
## **XMM deep survey in the CDF-S**

archival data - epochs - sources  
light-curves  
tracks in the  $\alpha_{\text{ox}}\text{-L}_{\text{UV}}$  plane  
structure functions

# the $\alpha_{ox}$ -L<sub>UV</sub> relation

studied by many authors, e.g. Avni & Tananbaum 1986, Vignali et al 2003, Strateva et al 2005, Steffen et al 2006, Just et al 2007, Lusso et al 2010, Young et al 2010, Grupe et al 2010 etc

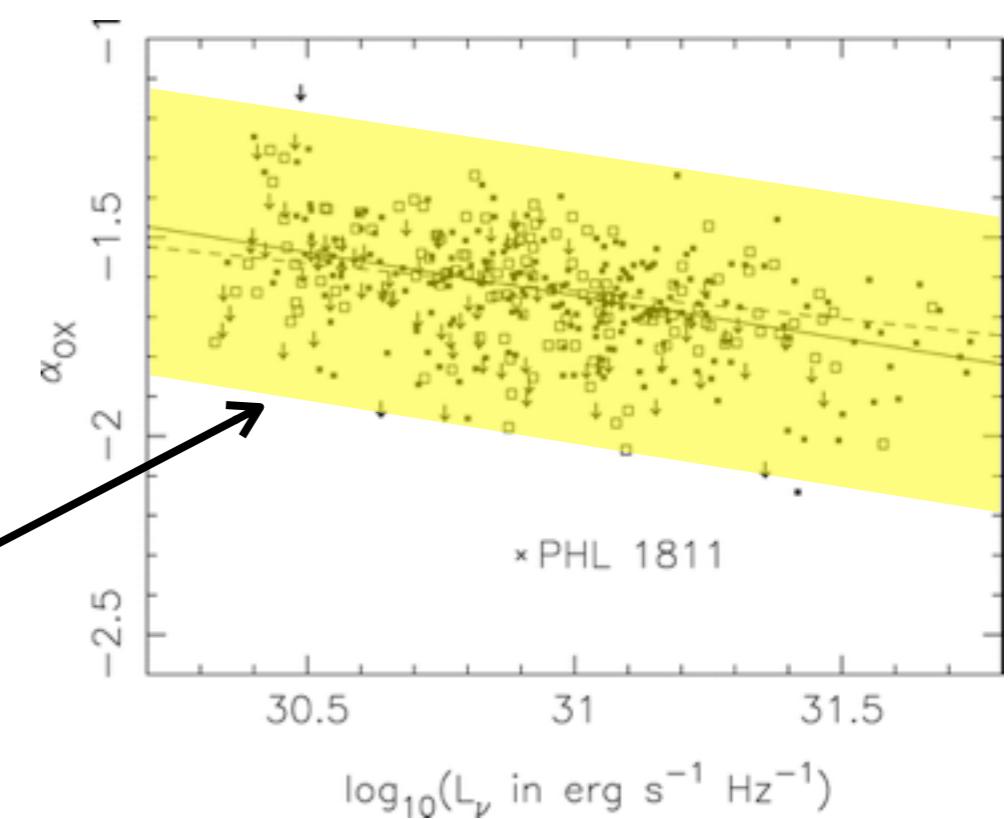
$$\alpha_{ox} = \frac{\log[L_\nu(2\text{keV})/L_\nu(2500\text{\AA})]}{\log[\nu(2\text{keV})/\nu(2500\text{\AA})]} = 0.384 \log \frac{L_X}{L_{UV}}$$



more luminous objects are relatively weaker in X-rays

**BUT:**

Gibson Brandt & Schneider 2008: large **dispersion**, possibly due to **variability** and/or **non-simultaneity** of X and UV



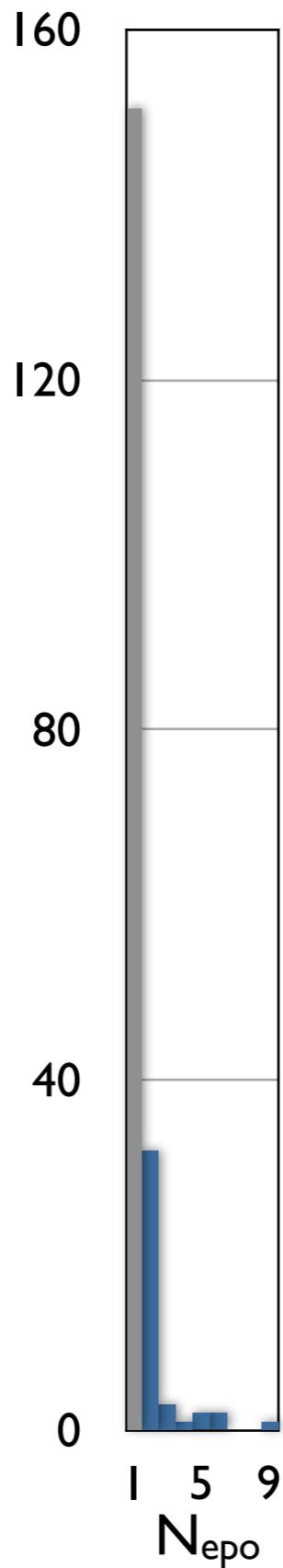
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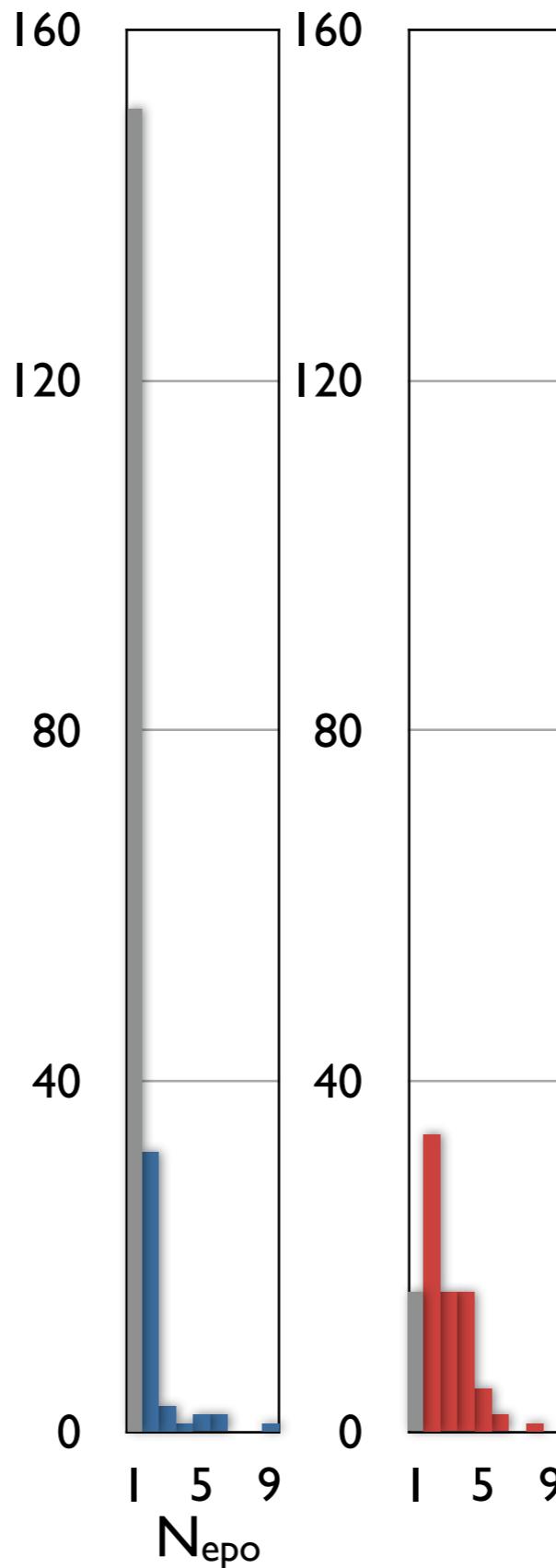
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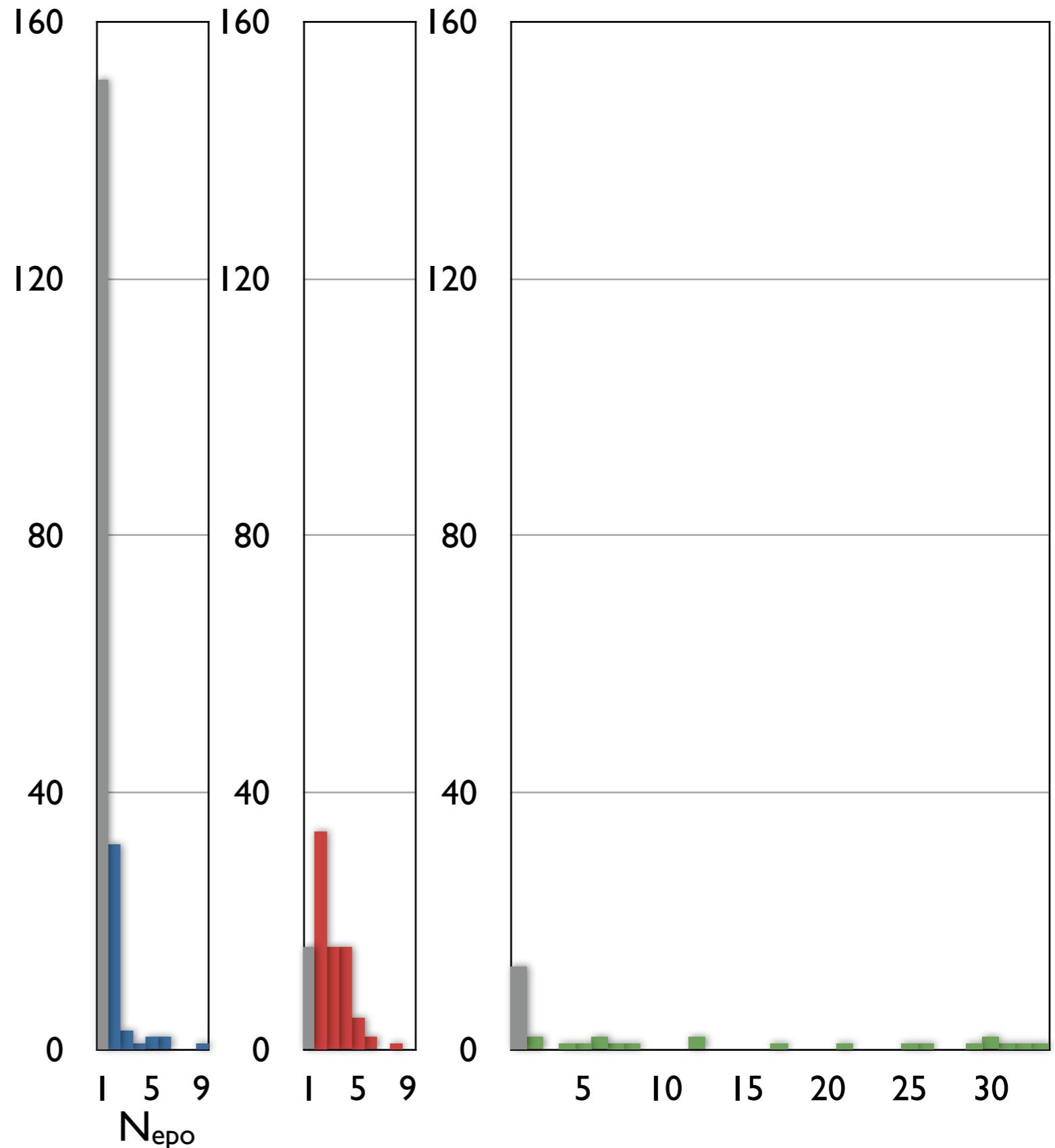
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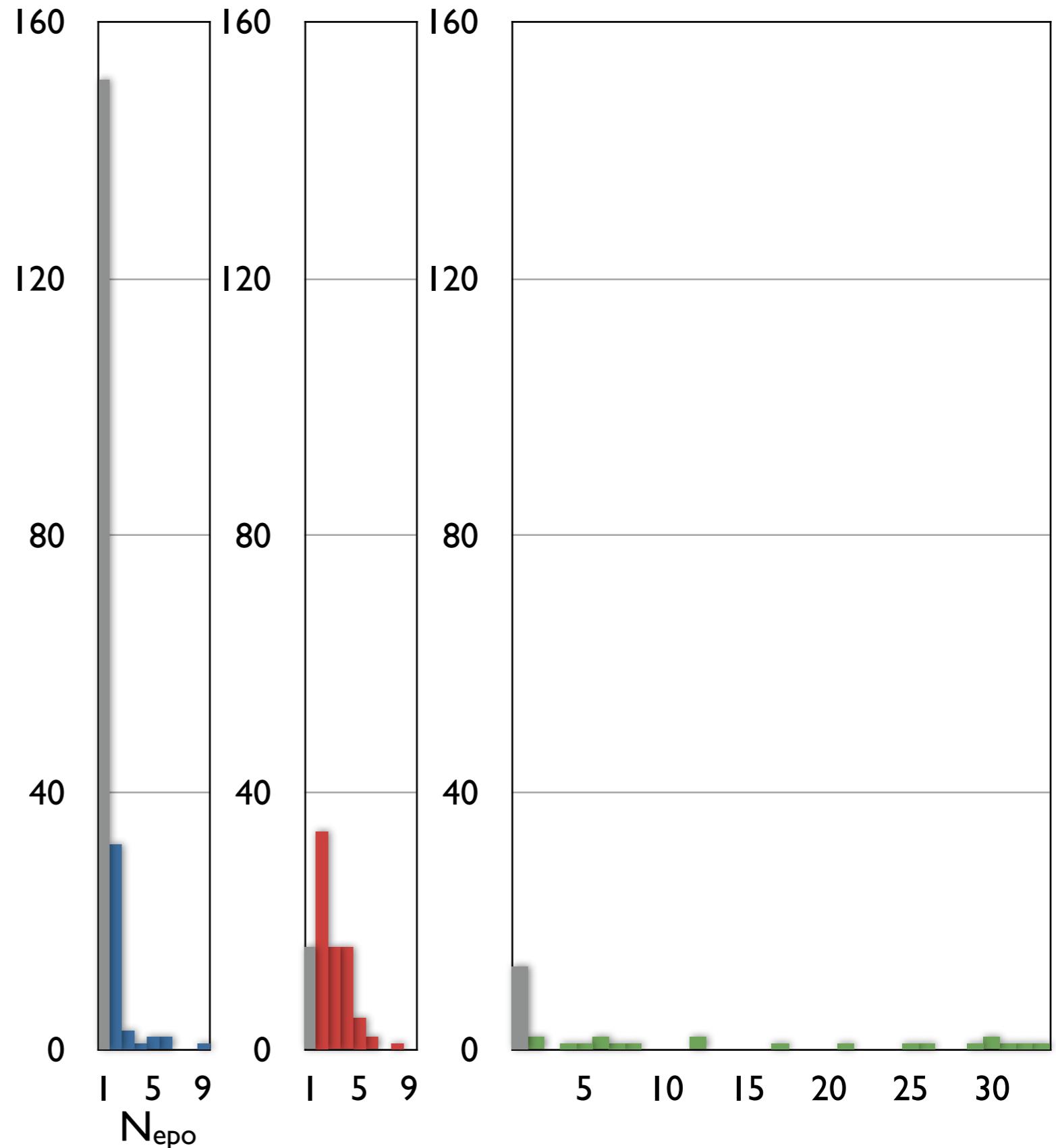
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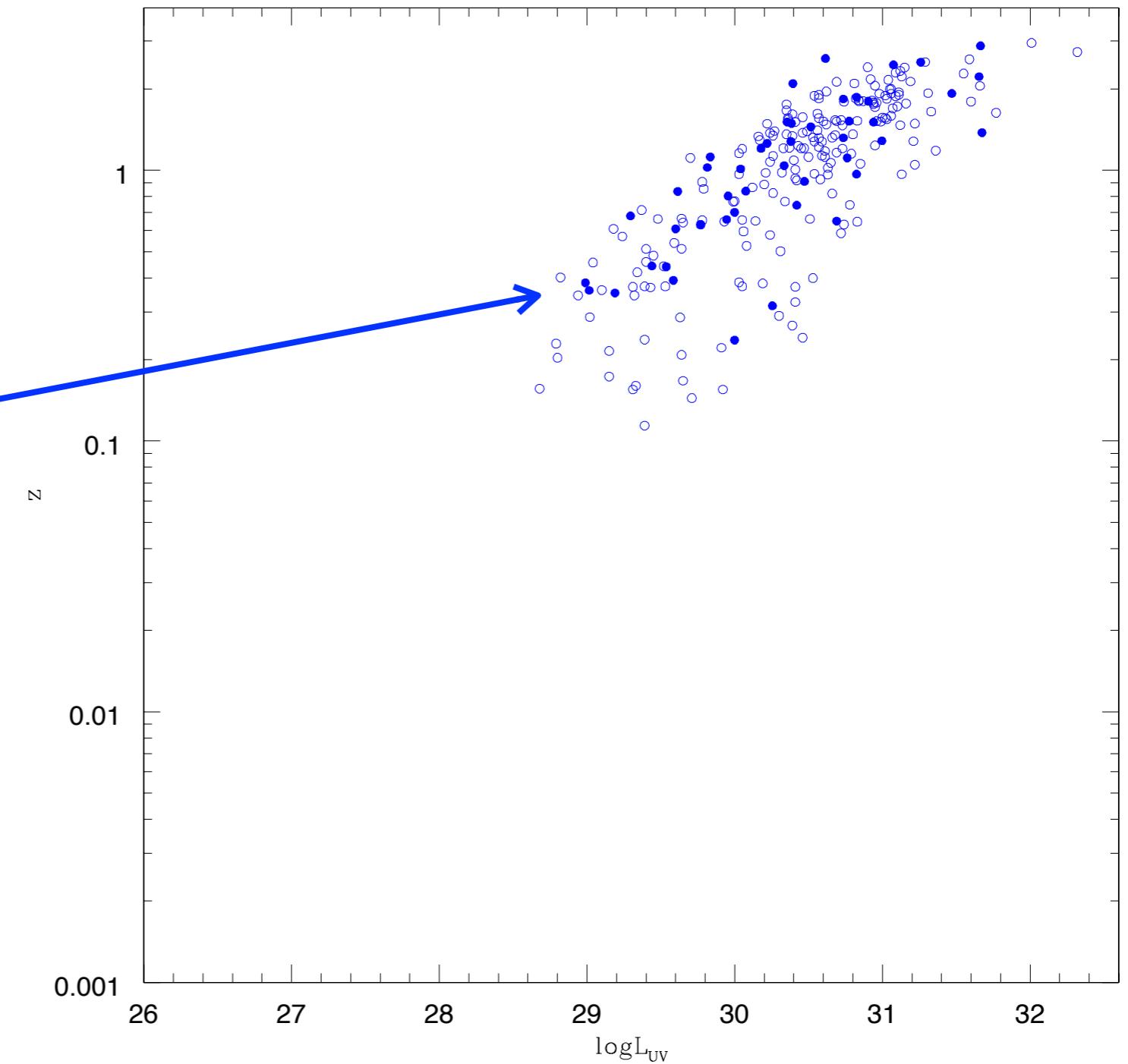
multi-epoch survey of the same sky area ideal to get detailed information on individual sources



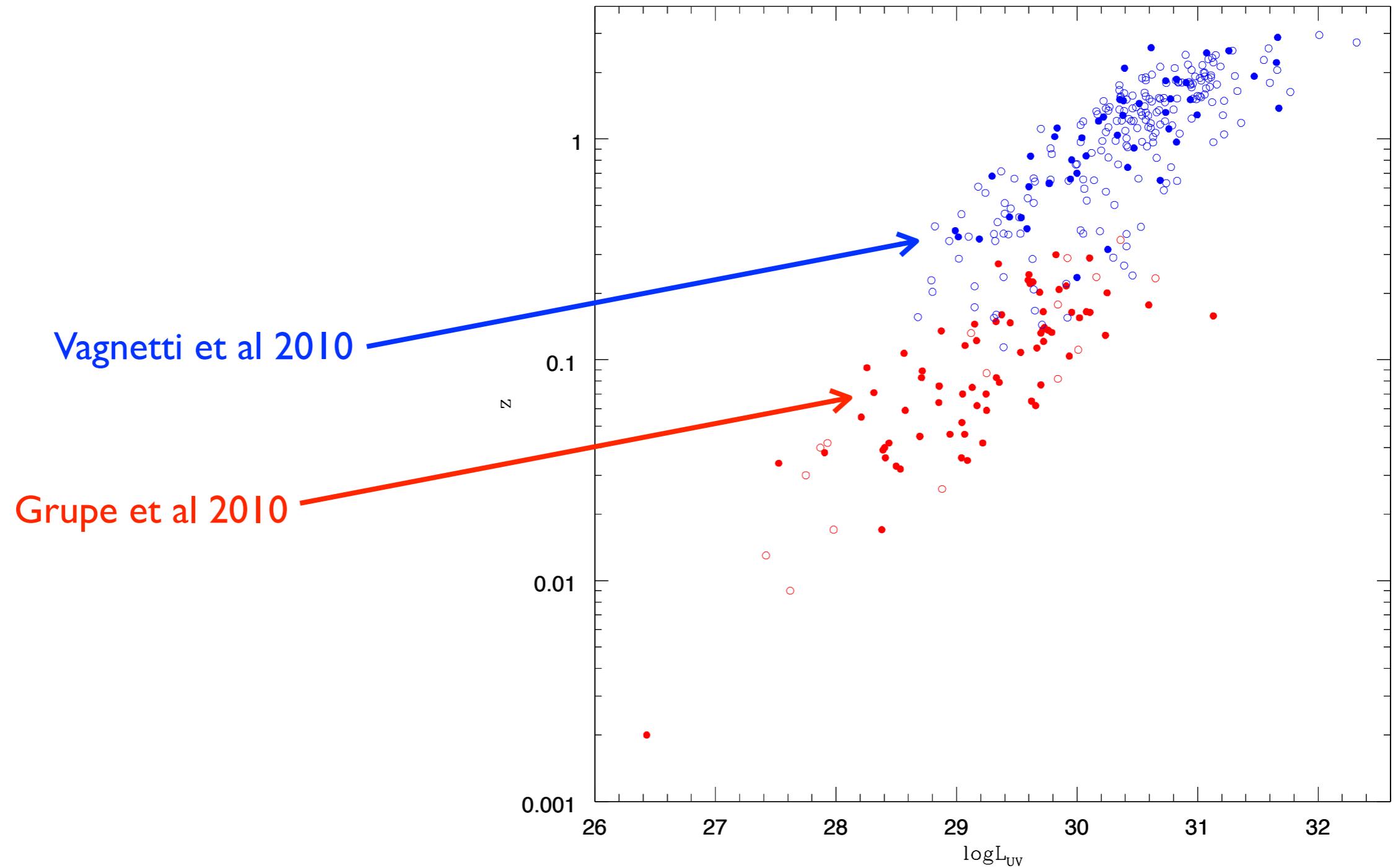
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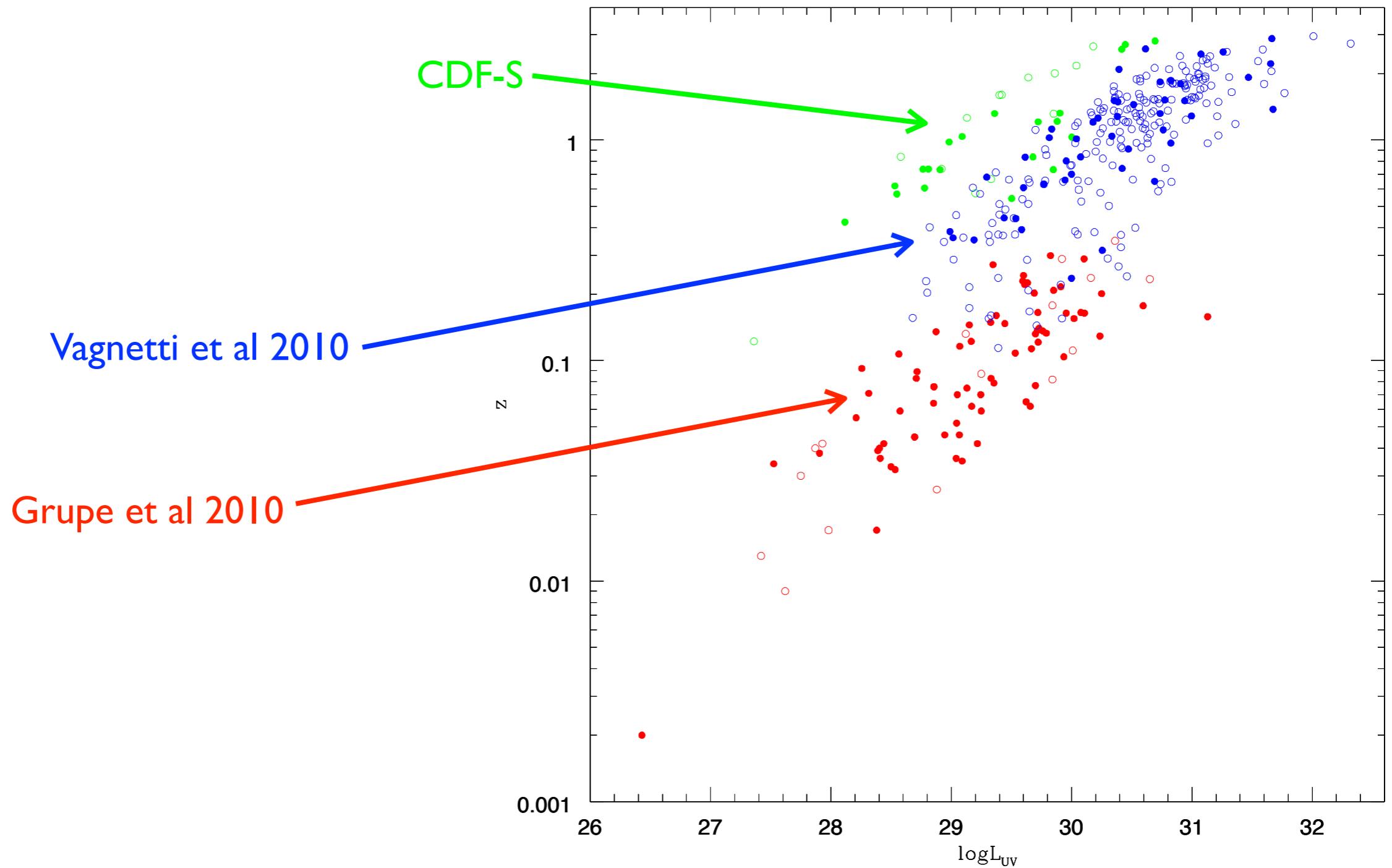
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# XMM serendipitous source catalogs

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XMMSSC → XMMOMSUSS

SDSS DR5 Quasar Cat

241 sources

315 observations in total

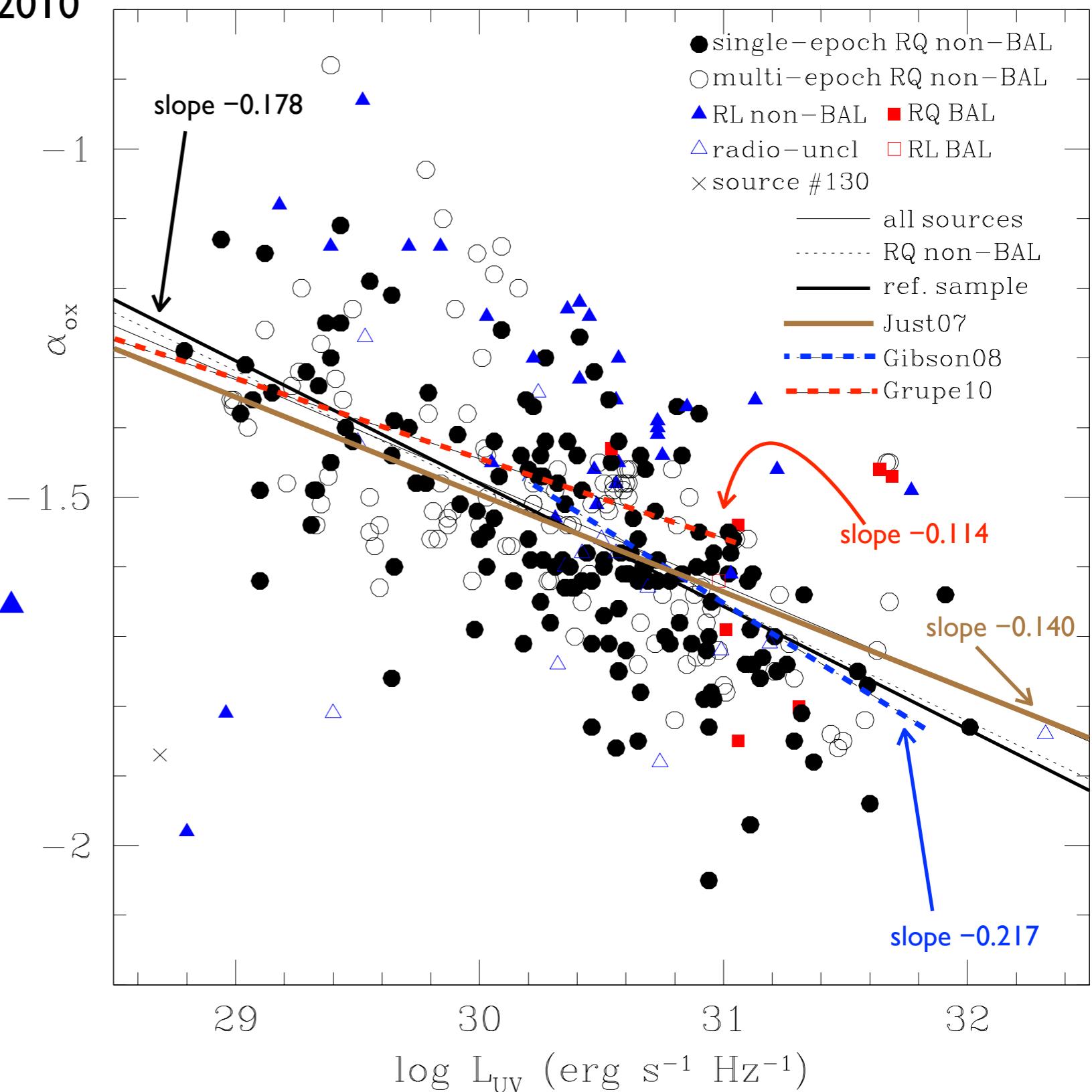
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41 with multiple epochs

radio loud AGNs ▲  
and BAL QSOs ■  
are removed

- the slope of the correlation can be compared with other authors

- we are more interested in the dispersion



# dispersion and variability of $\alpha_{\text{ox}}$

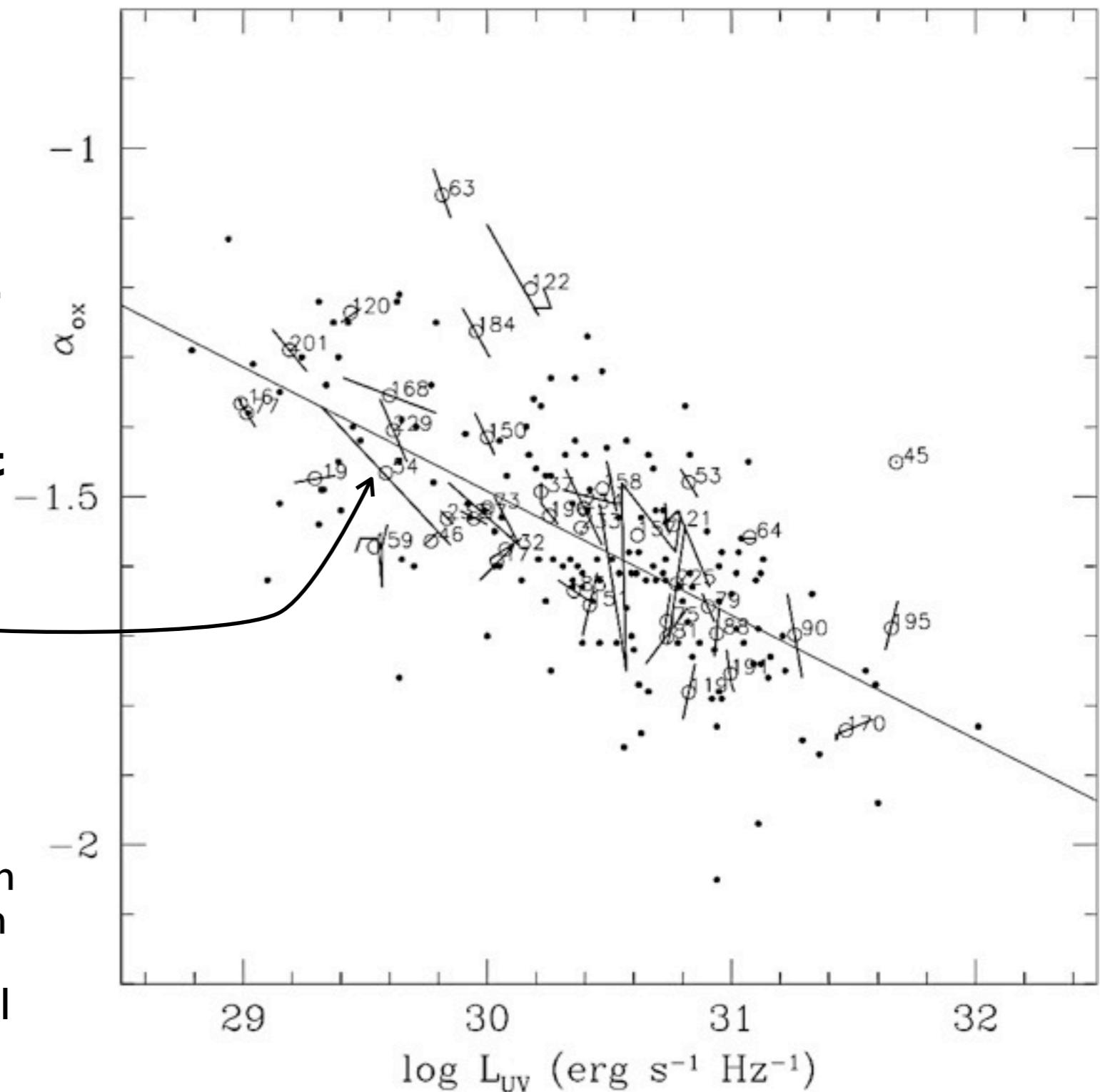
dispersion  $\sigma=0.12$ : similar to previous non-simultaneous analyses

**artificial  $\alpha_{\text{ox}}$  variability**  
(non-simultaneity): **not important**

**intrinsic  $\alpha_{\text{ox}}$  variability**  
(true change of  $\alpha_{\text{ox}}$ ): **important**

its contribution can be called **intra-source dispersion**

another important contribution is due to intrinsic differences in the average  $\alpha_{\text{ox}}$  values from source to source, which we call **inter-source dispersion**



**how much intra-source and how much inter-source?**

# intra-source and inter-source dispersion

varyations are on different time scales, to compare use **Structure Function**:

$$SF(\tau) = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \langle |\alpha_{ox}(t + \tau) - \alpha_{ox}(t)| \rangle$$

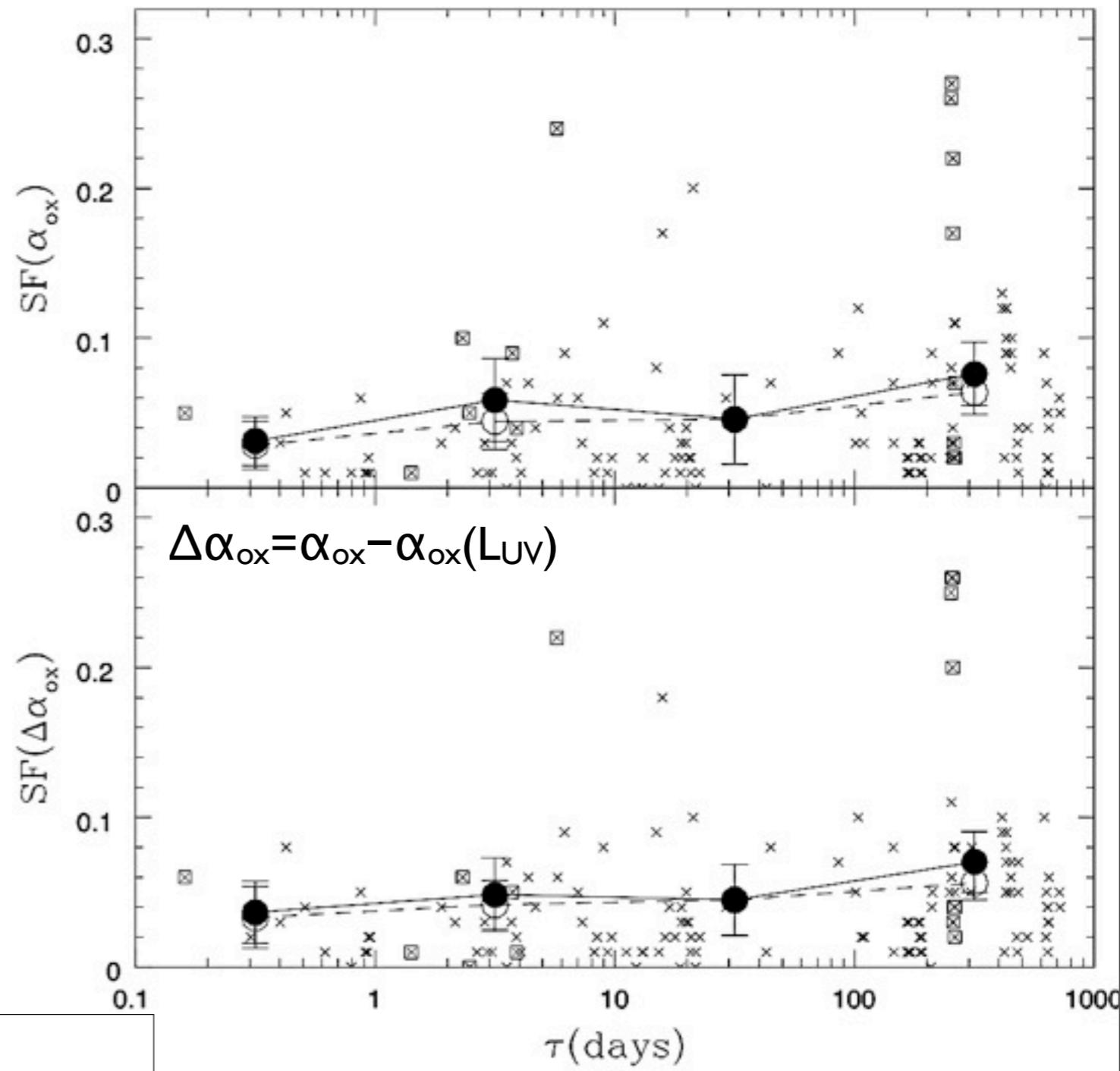
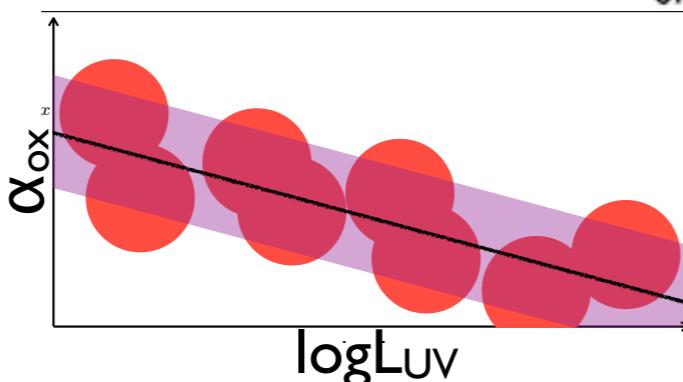
SF is increasing, both for  $\alpha_{ox}$  and for the residuals  $\Delta\alpha_{ox}$

greatest change at 1 yr,  $\sigma_{\text{intra-source}} \sim 0.07$

$$\sigma^2_{\text{tot}} = \sigma^2_{\text{intra-source}} + \sigma^2_{\text{inter-source}}$$

$\sigma^2_{\text{intra-source}} \sim 30\% \sigma^2_{\text{tot}}$

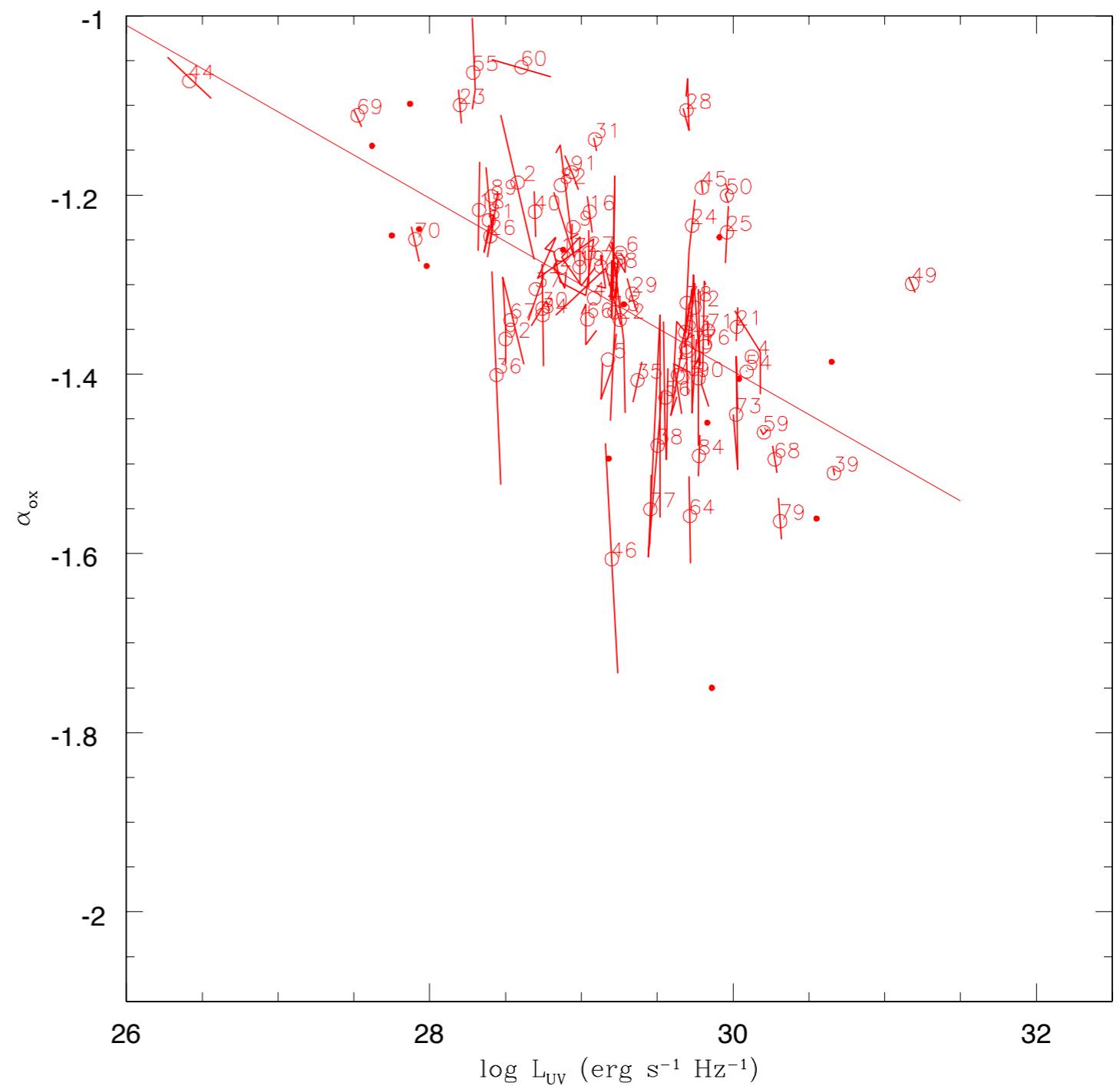
comparable contributions:



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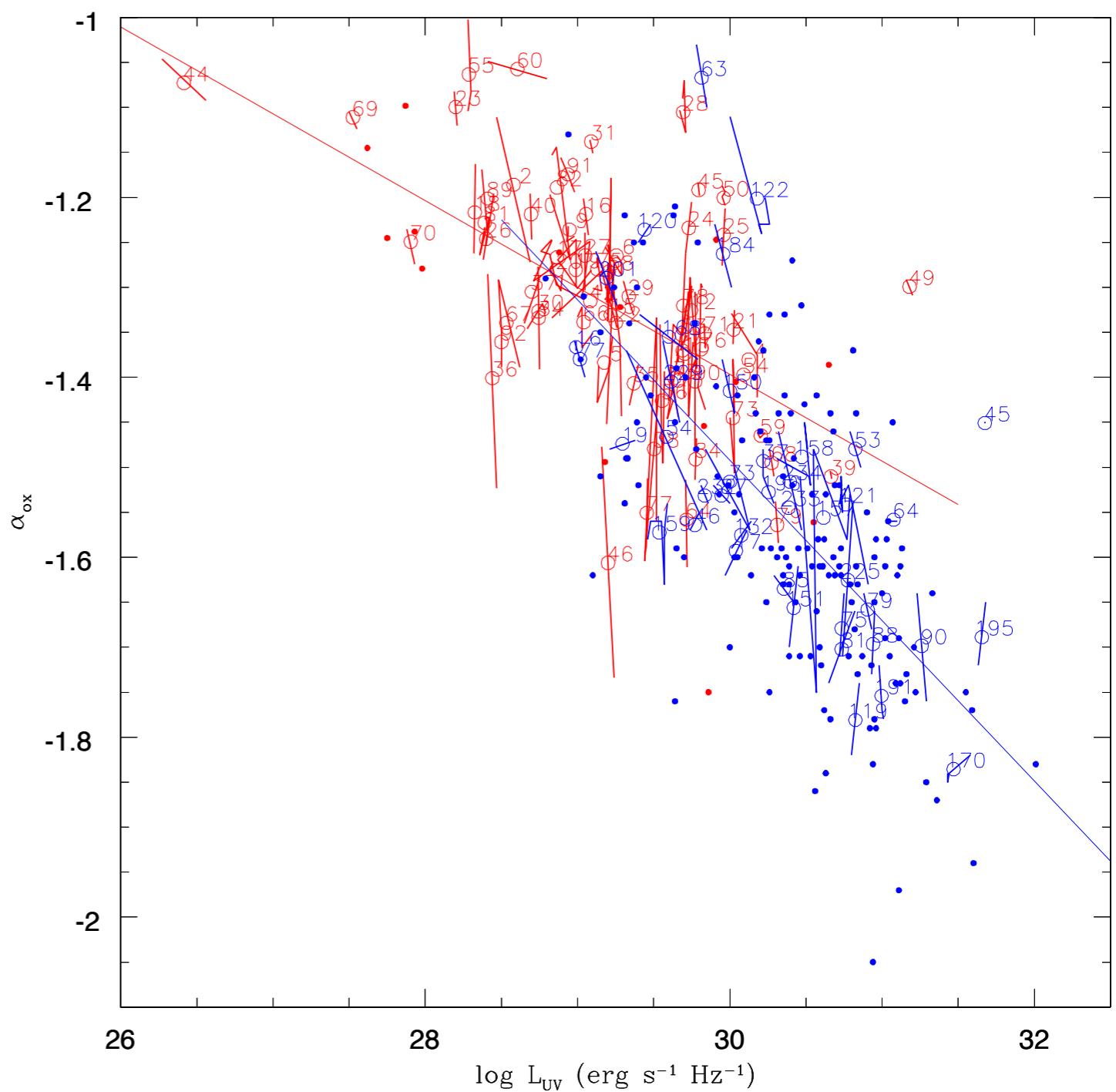


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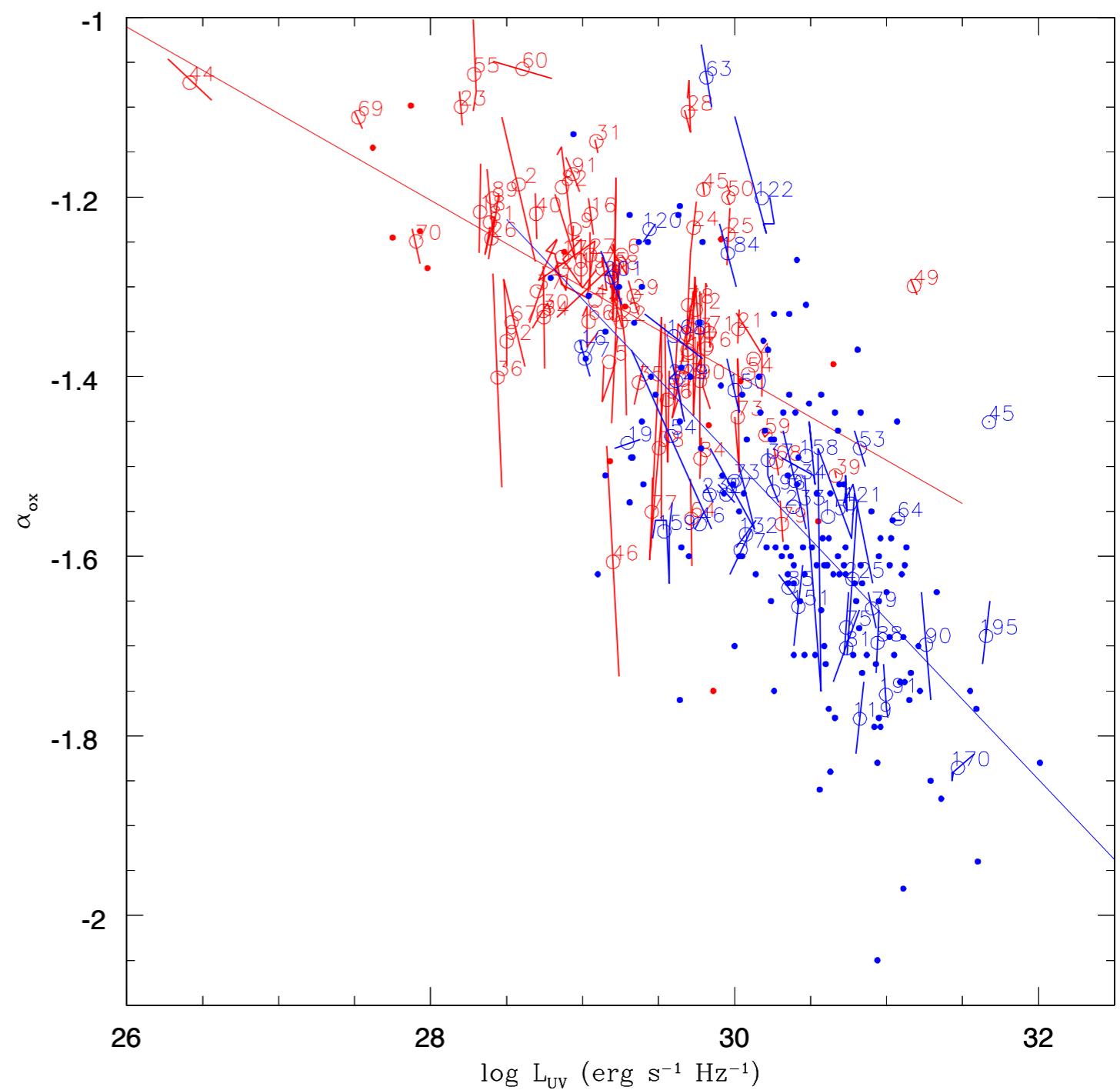
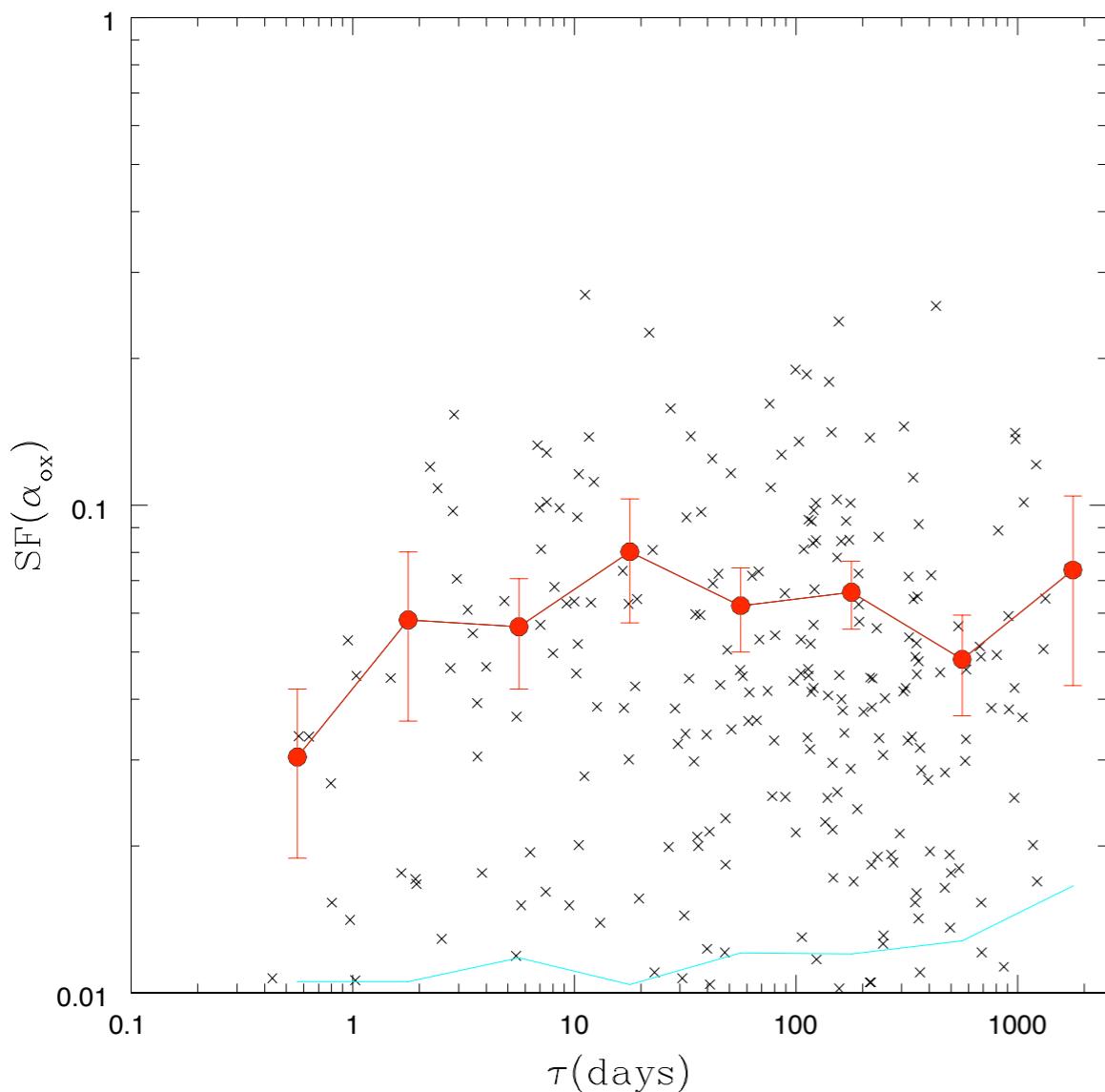
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the SF of  $\alpha_{\text{ox}}$  is also consistent with the  
serendipitous sample, with  $\sigma_{\text{intra-source}} \sim 0.07$



# XMM-Newton deep survey in the CDFS

preliminary analysis of XMM-  
Newton archive on HEASARC

also in the same field  
8 epochs PI Bergeron  
2001-2002

25 epochs PI Comastri  
2008-2010

great advantage:  
many epochs  
 $8+25=33$

XMM-Newton Master Log & Public Archive

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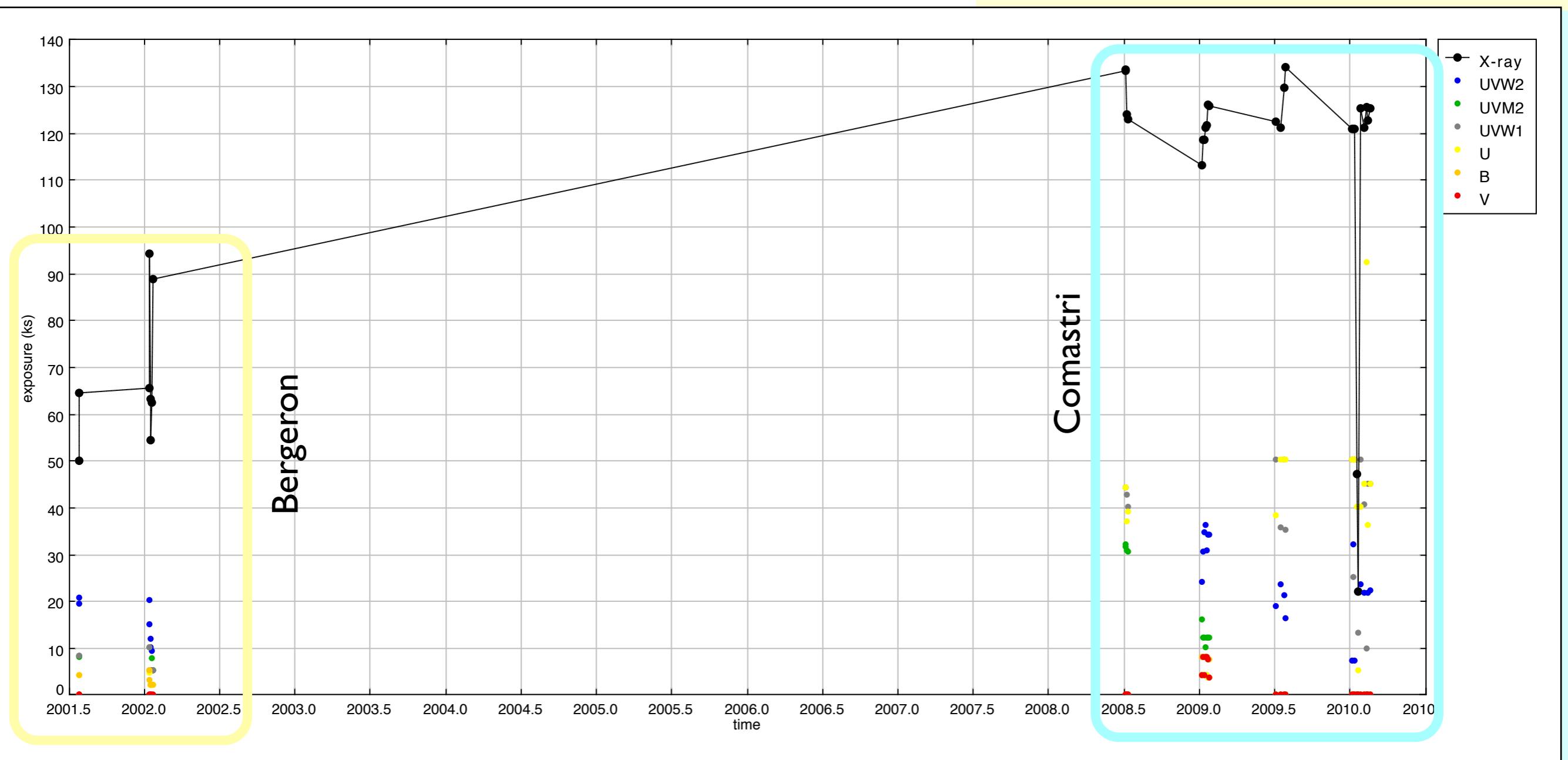
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4	108060701	2002.0376	94	++...			
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6	108061901	2002.0457	54	+....			
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8	108062301	2002.0603	88	....			
9	555780101	2008.5088	133	+++			
10	555780201	2008.5142	133	+++			
11	555780301	2008.52	123	+++			
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18	555781001	2009.0596	125	++....			
19	555782301	2009.0651	125	++....			
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22	604960101	2009.5675	129	+ ++			
23	604960401	2009.573	133	+ ++			
24	604961101	2010.0103	120	. ++			
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26	604960701	2010.0322	120	. ++			
27	604960501	2010.0486	46	+			
28	604961301	2010.0519	21	+			
29	604960601	2010.0705	125	+ ++			
30	604960801	2010.0978	121	+ ++			
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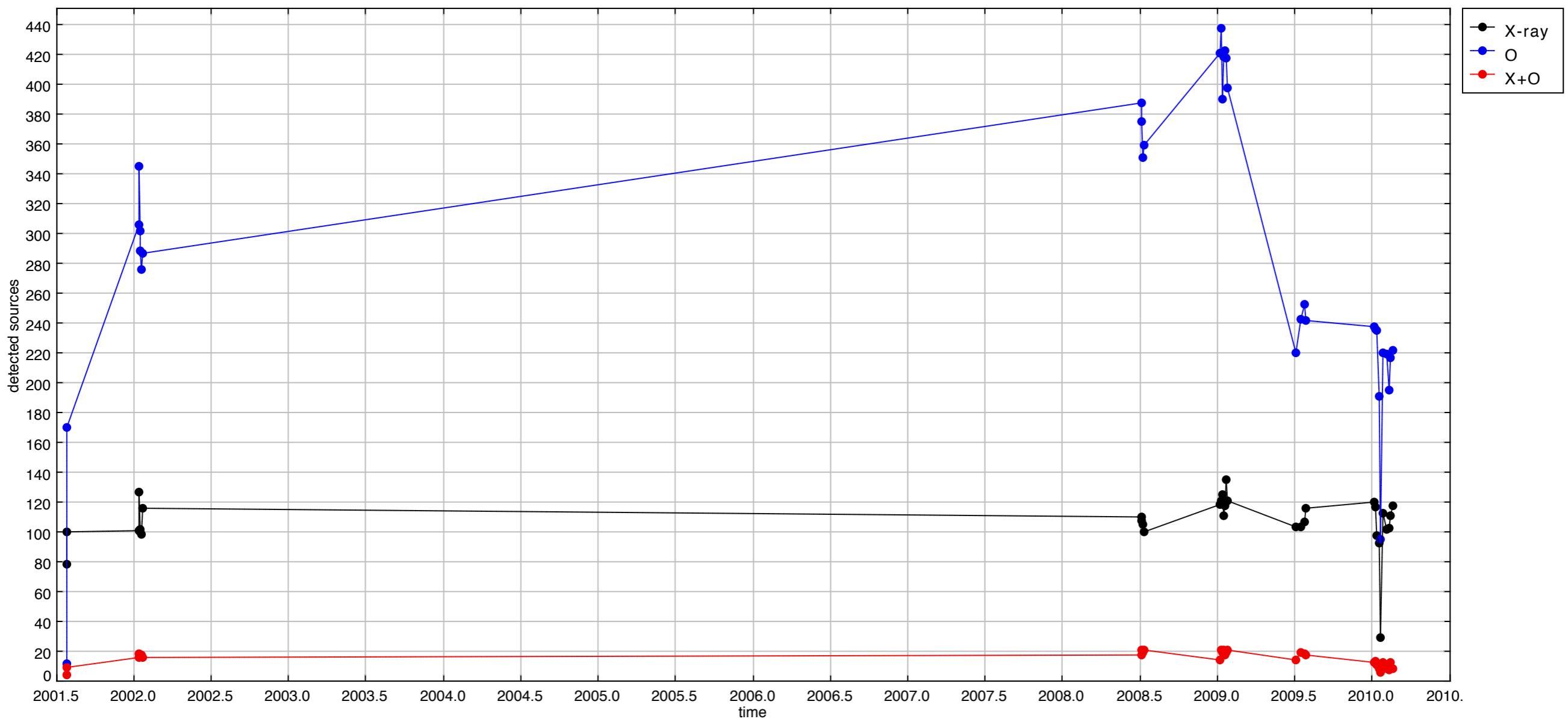
as a result, the number of detected sources varies from epoch to epoch, both in X-ray and O/UV

we compare source coordinates with tables of known redshifts, and search for sources with simultaneous X-ray/UV detections

hundreds of sources are detected in UV and not in X-rays, mostly galaxies

several tens of sources are detected in X-rays and not in UV, mostly AGNs

few sources, up to 20, are detected at each epoch in both X-ray and UV



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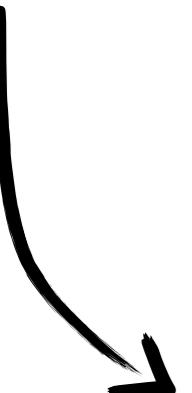
this corresponds to 65 source with simultaneous X-ray/UV measurements for a number of epochs between 1 and 33

27 unclassified sources

5 possible/uncertain AGNs

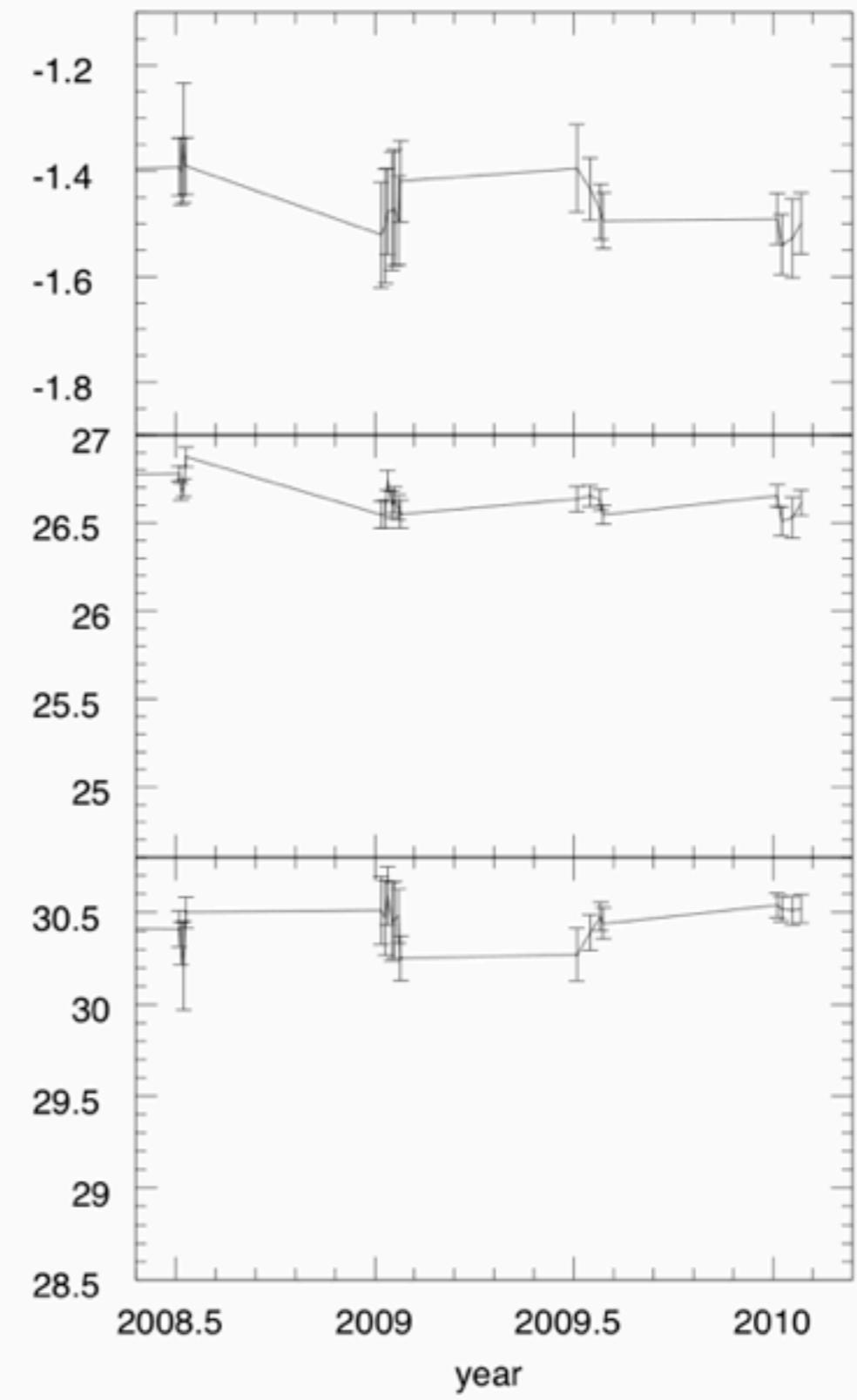
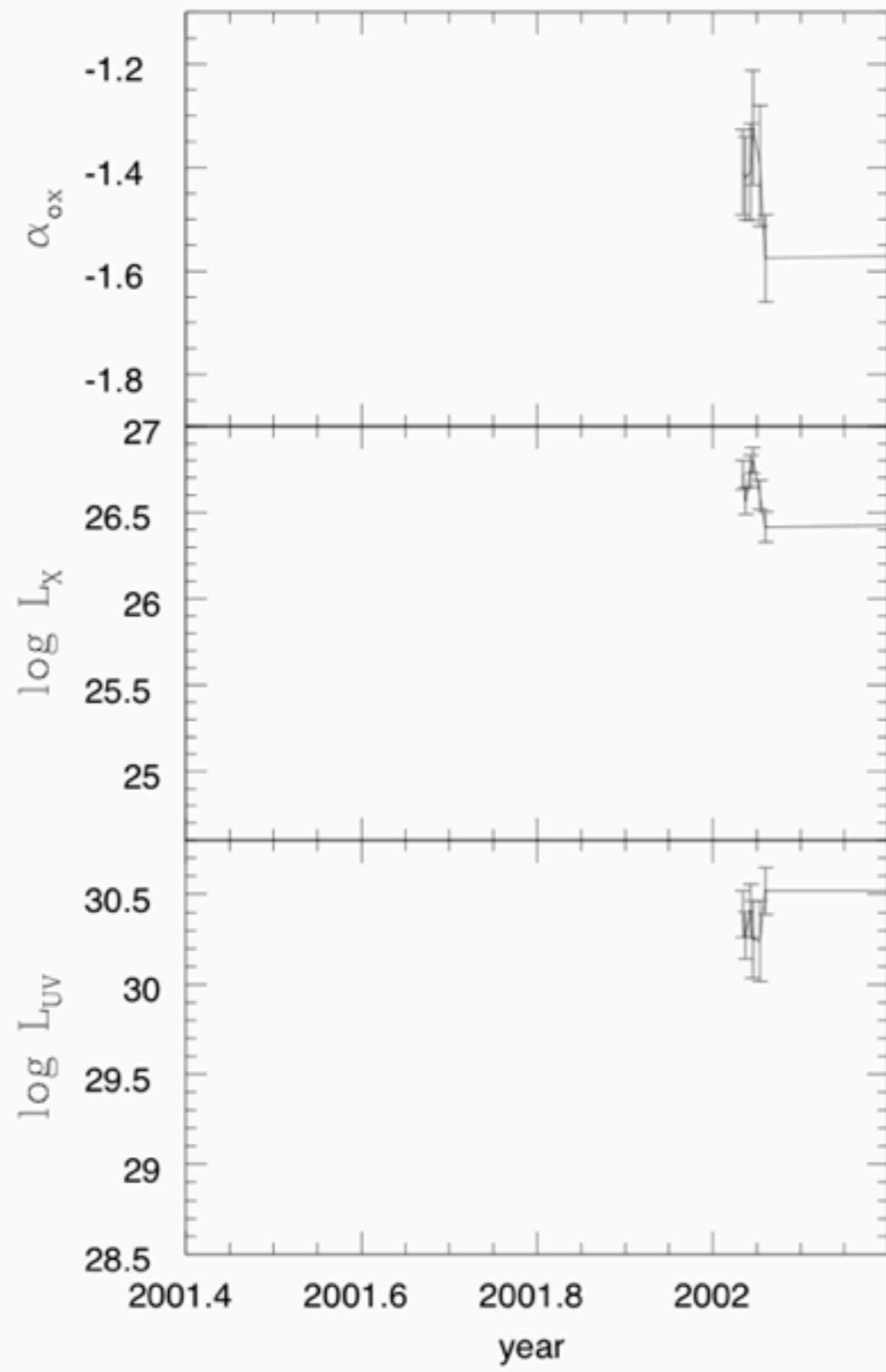
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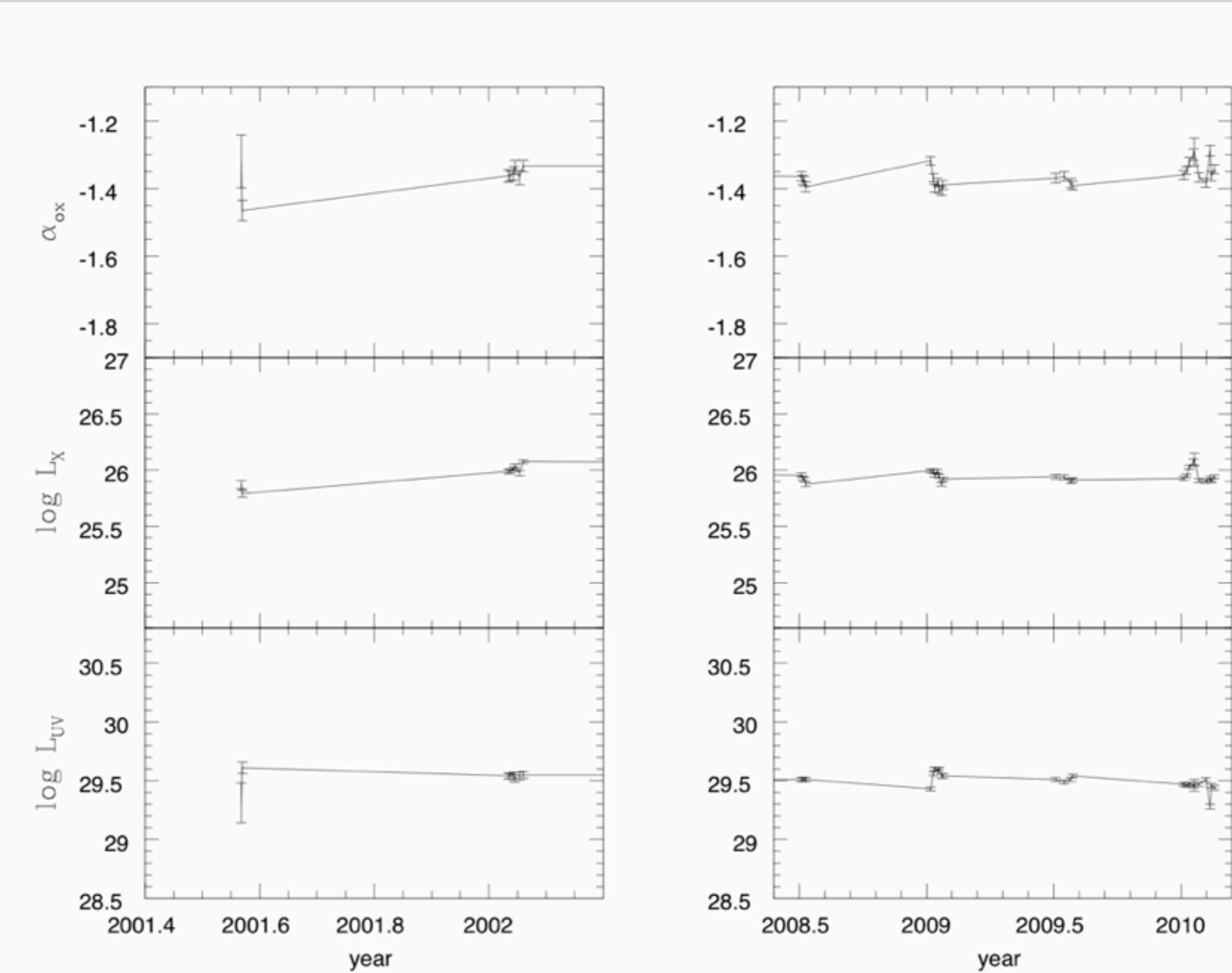
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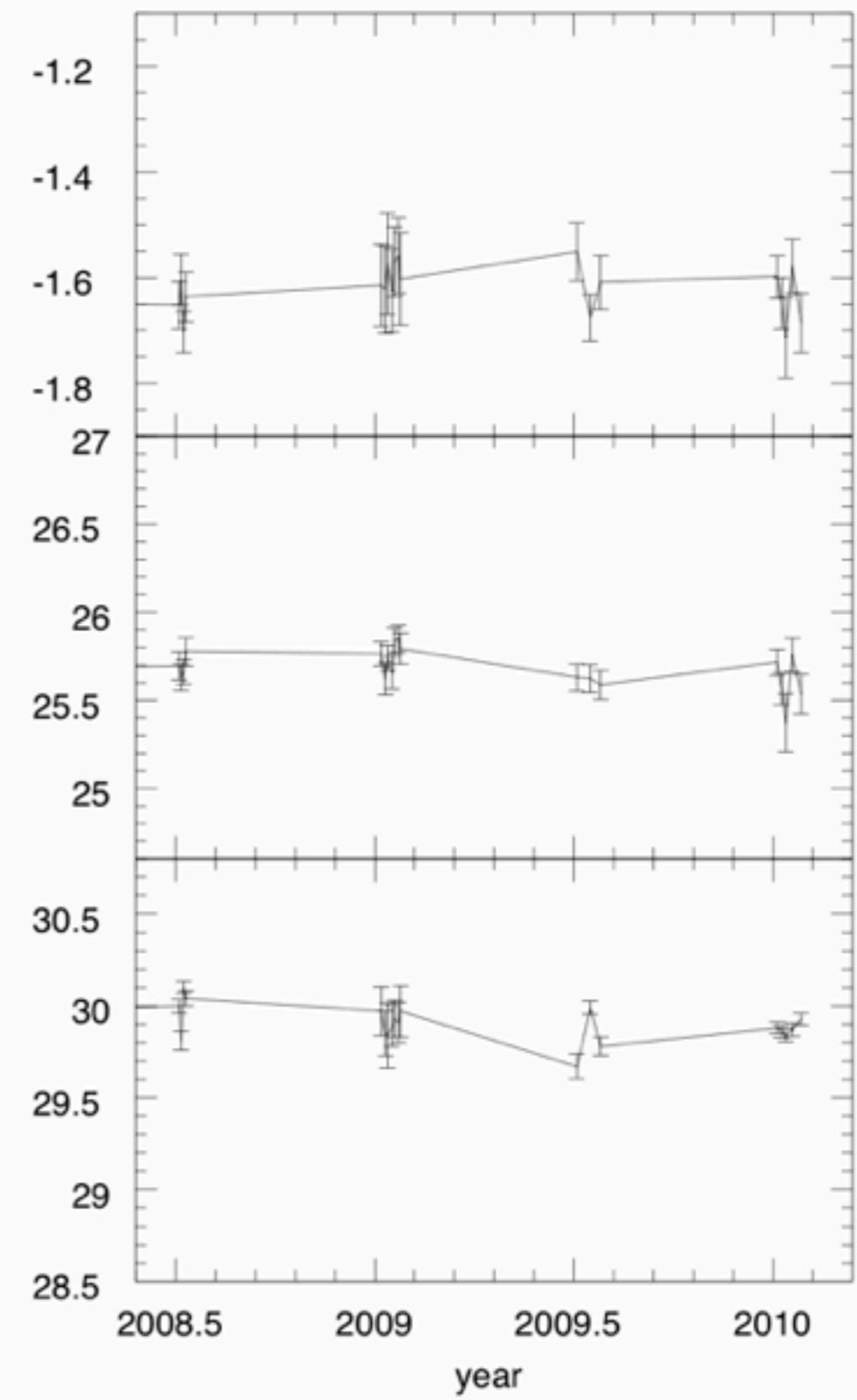
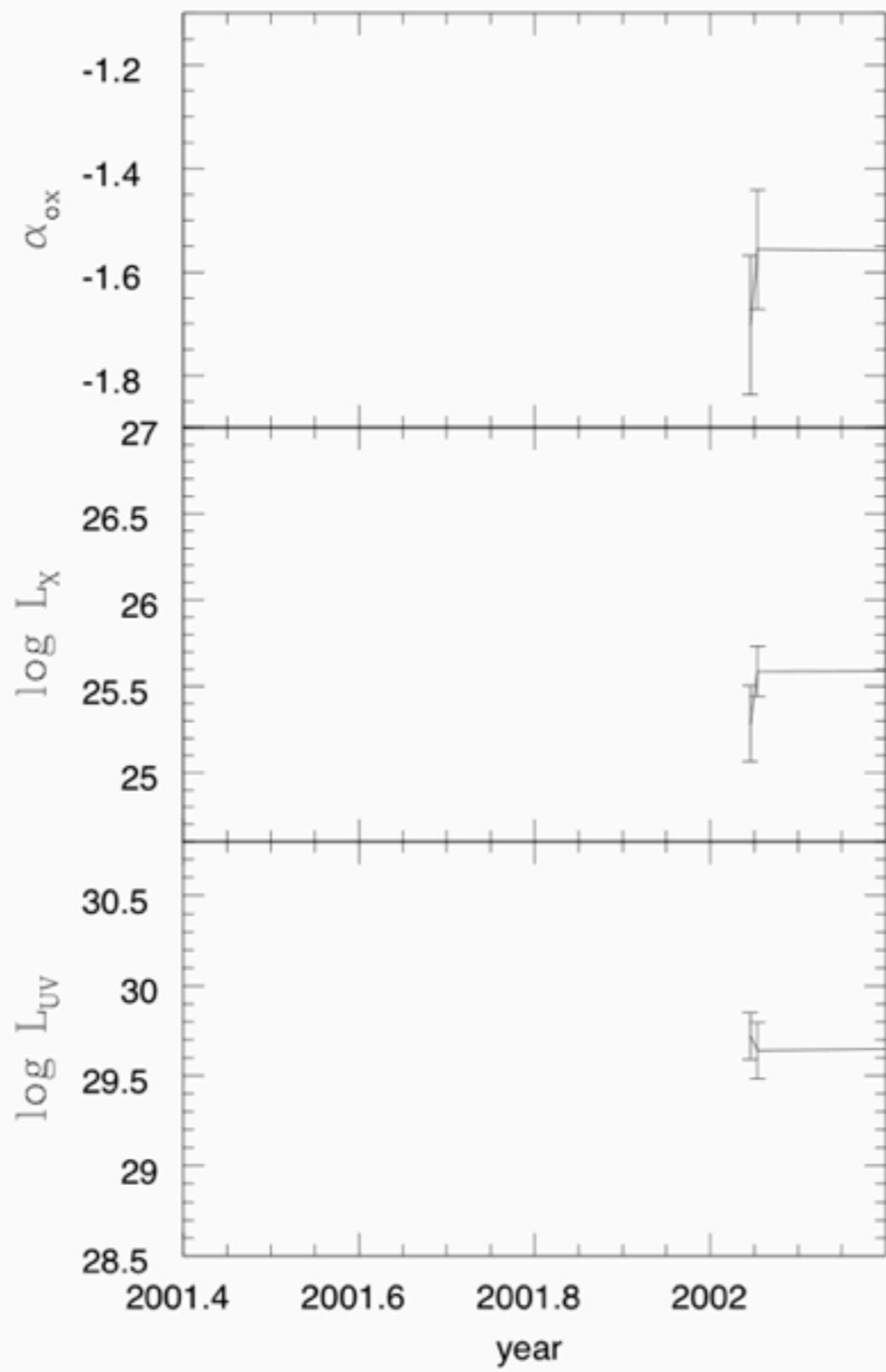


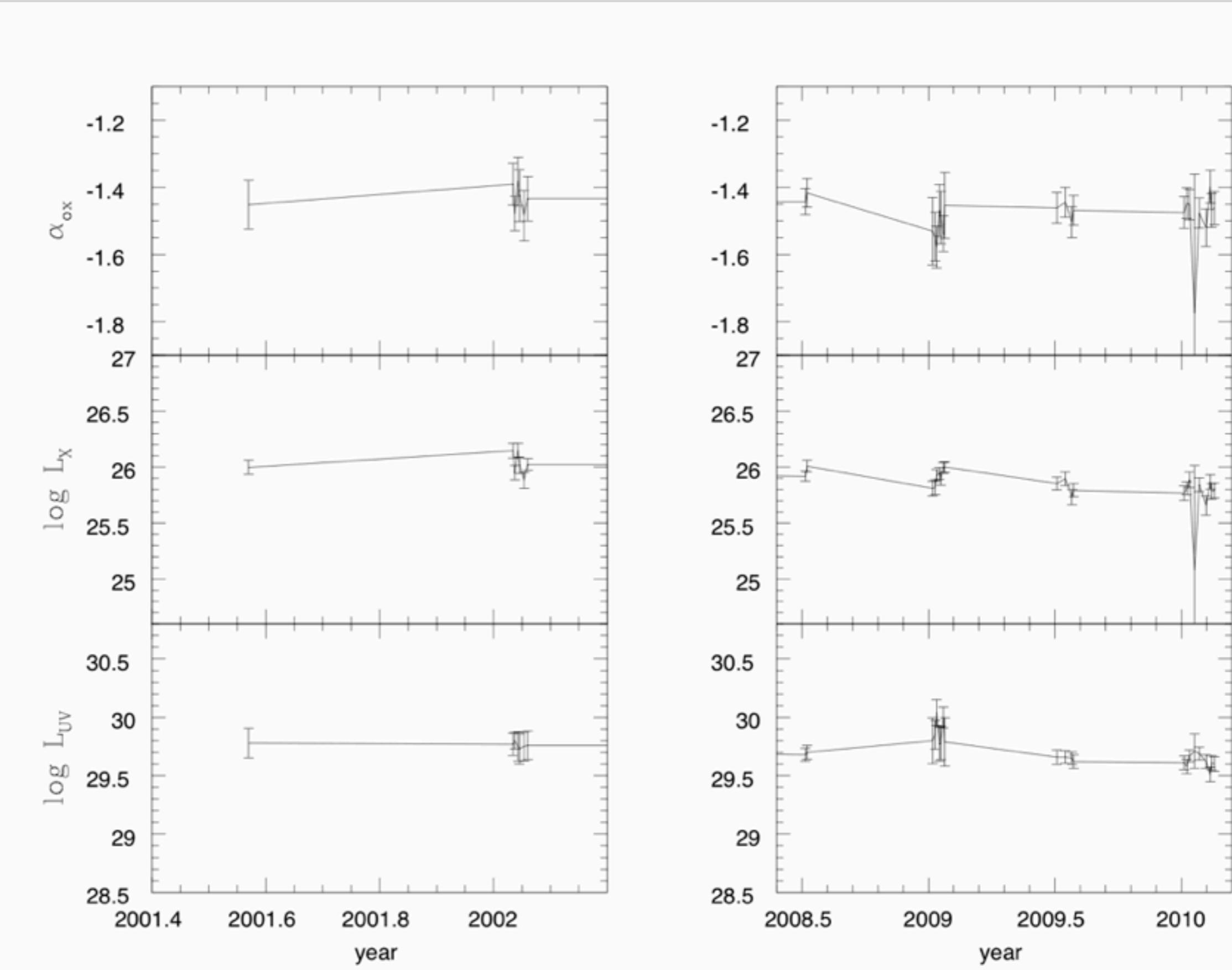
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28	1.031	30		BLAGN	QSO-1	53.11037	-27.67658	53.11019	-27.676619	328
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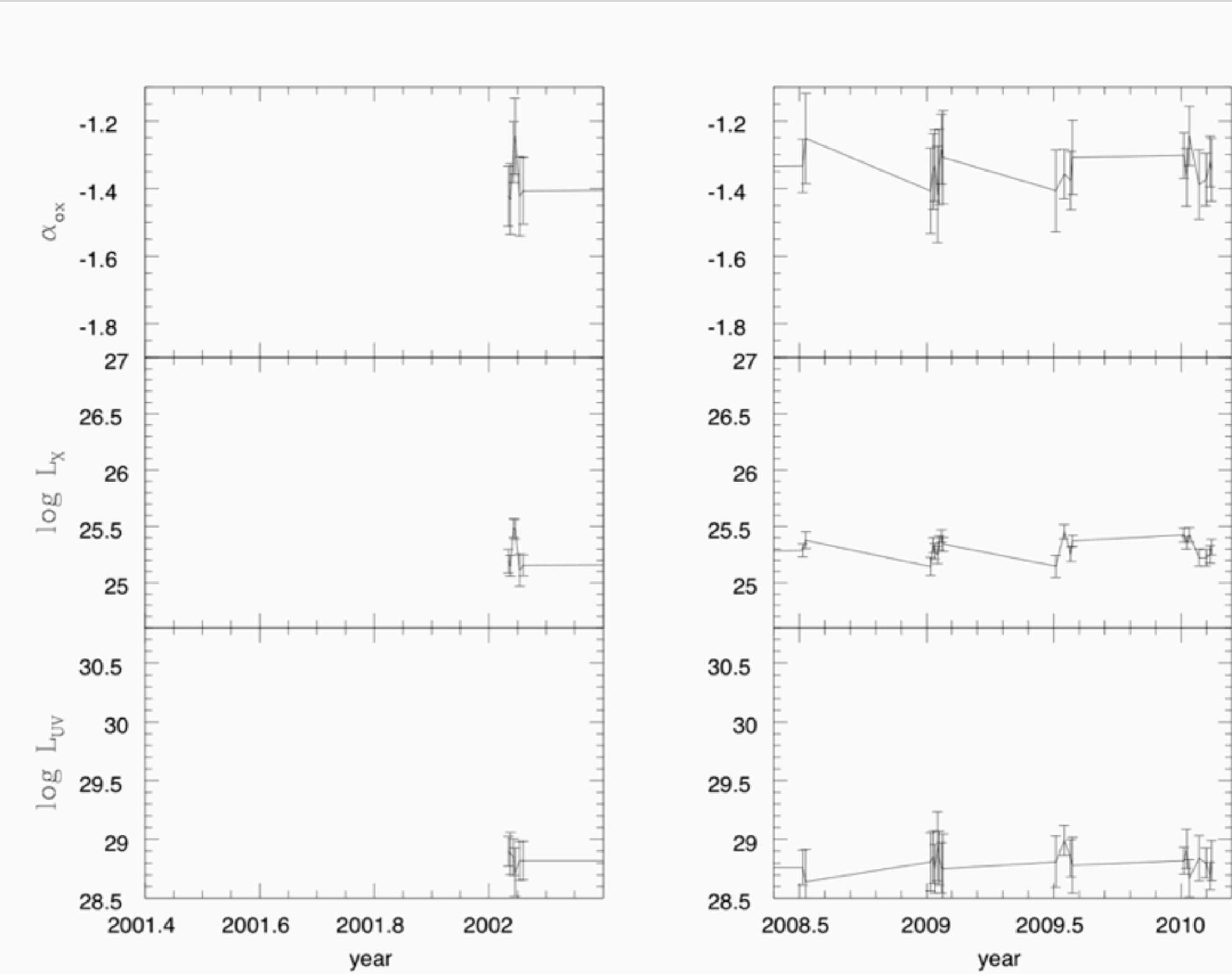
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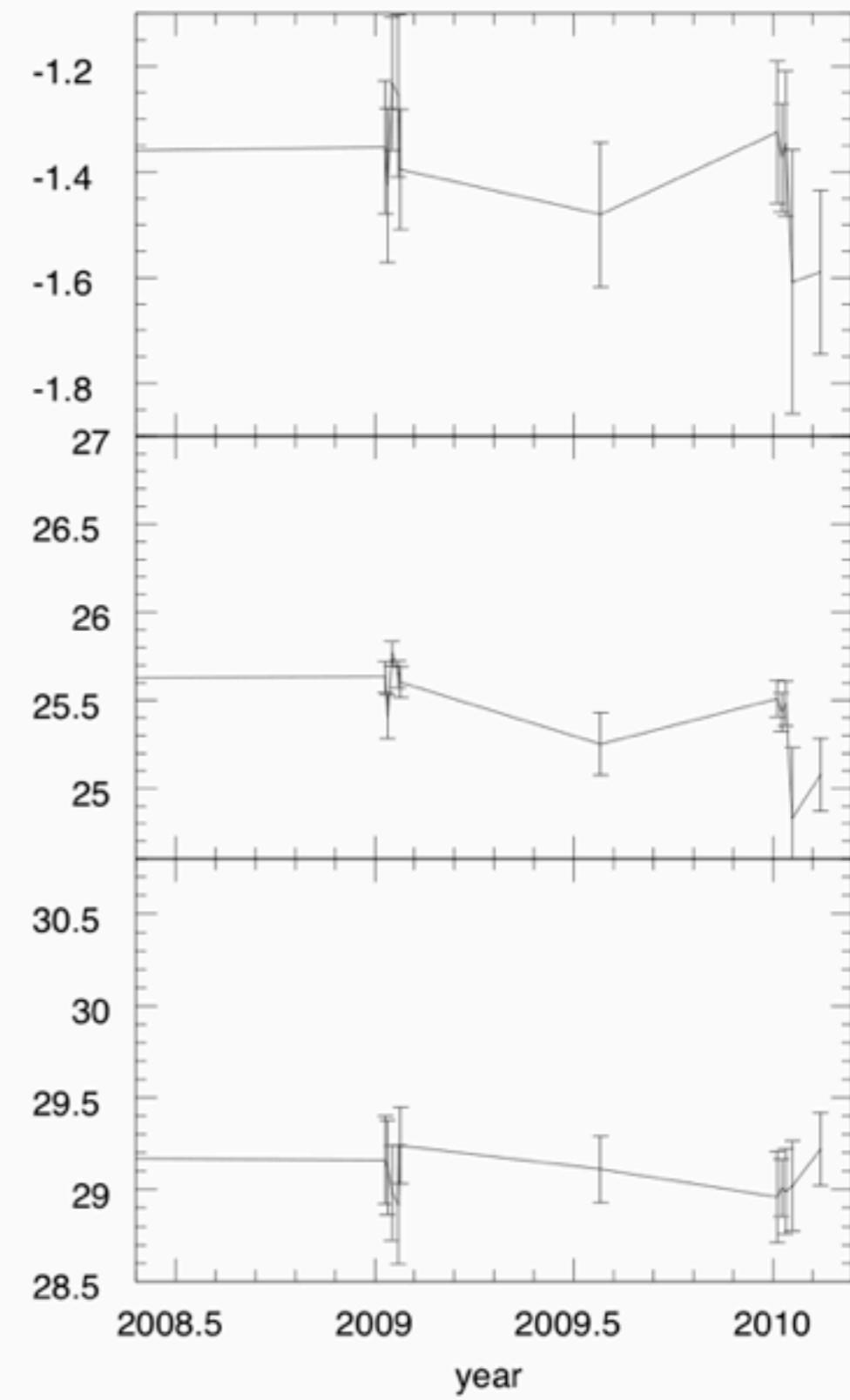
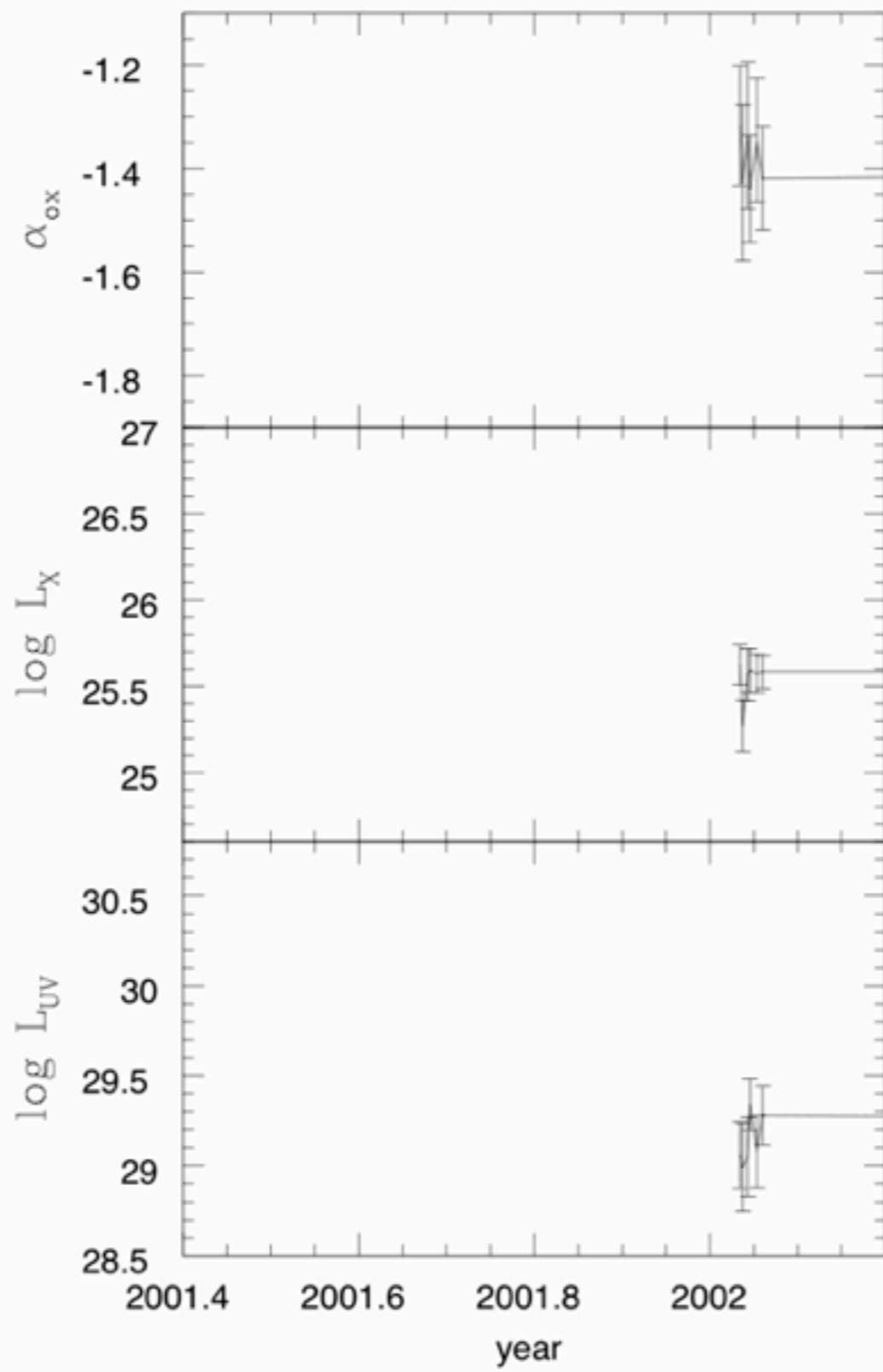


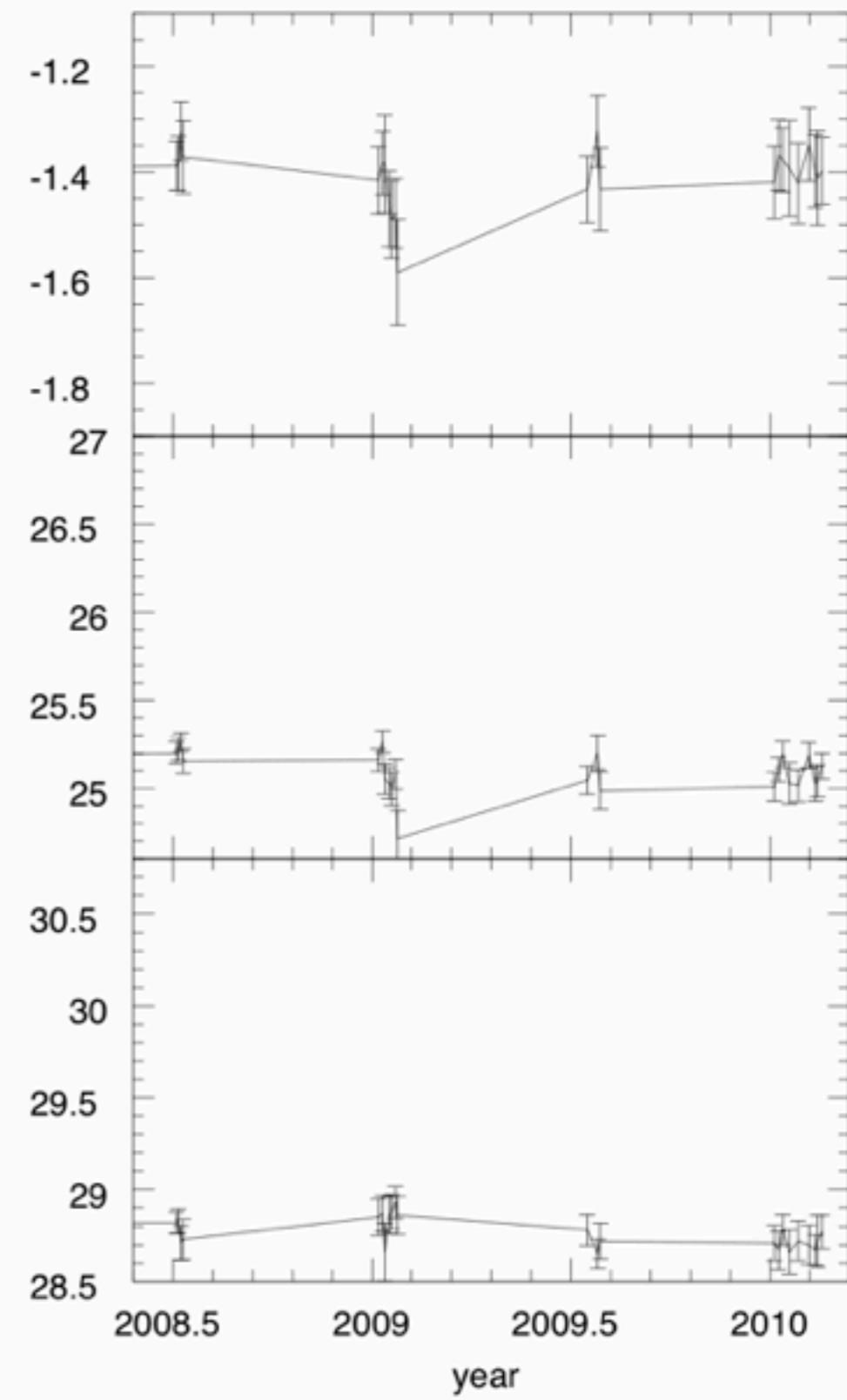
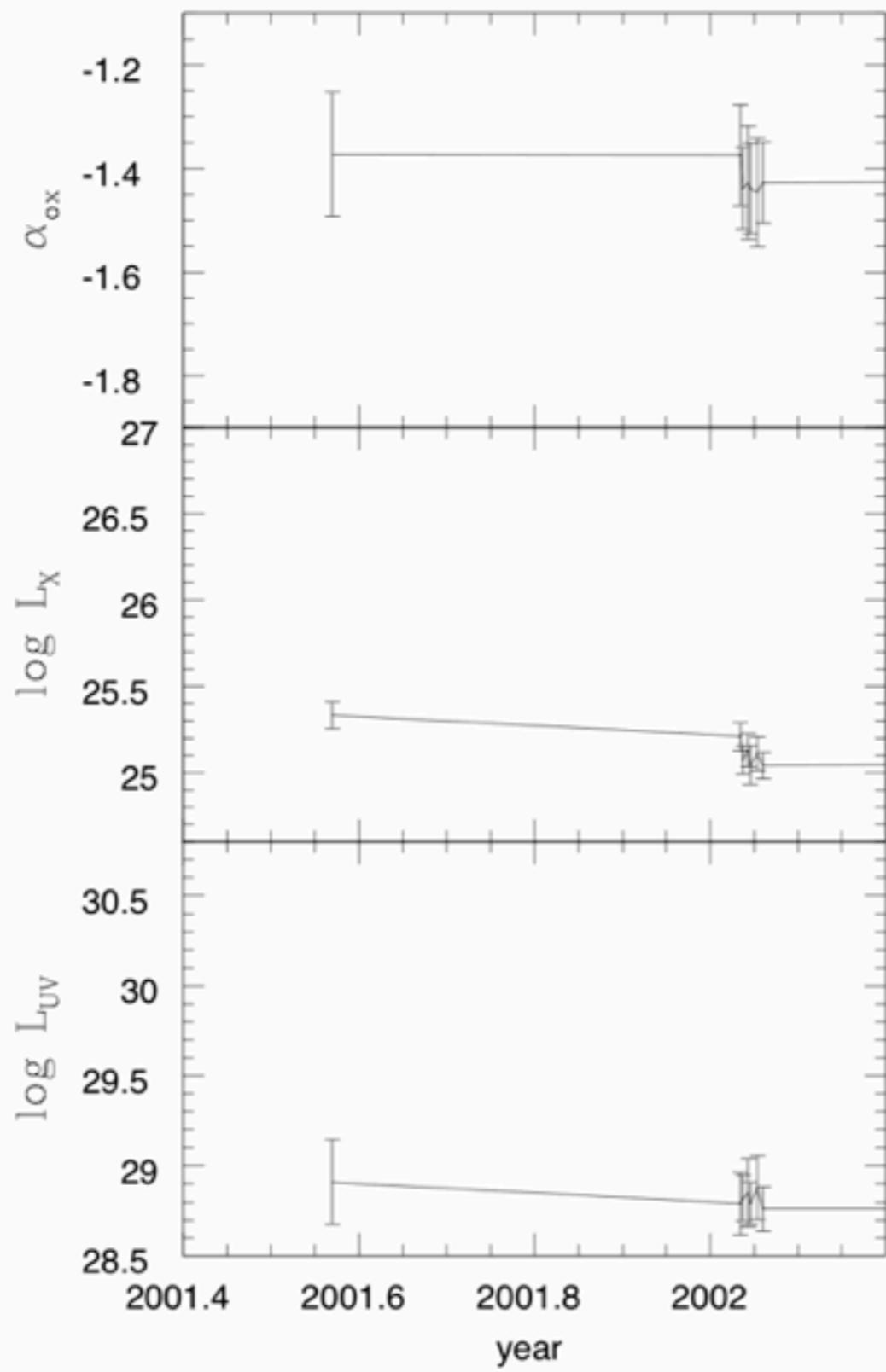


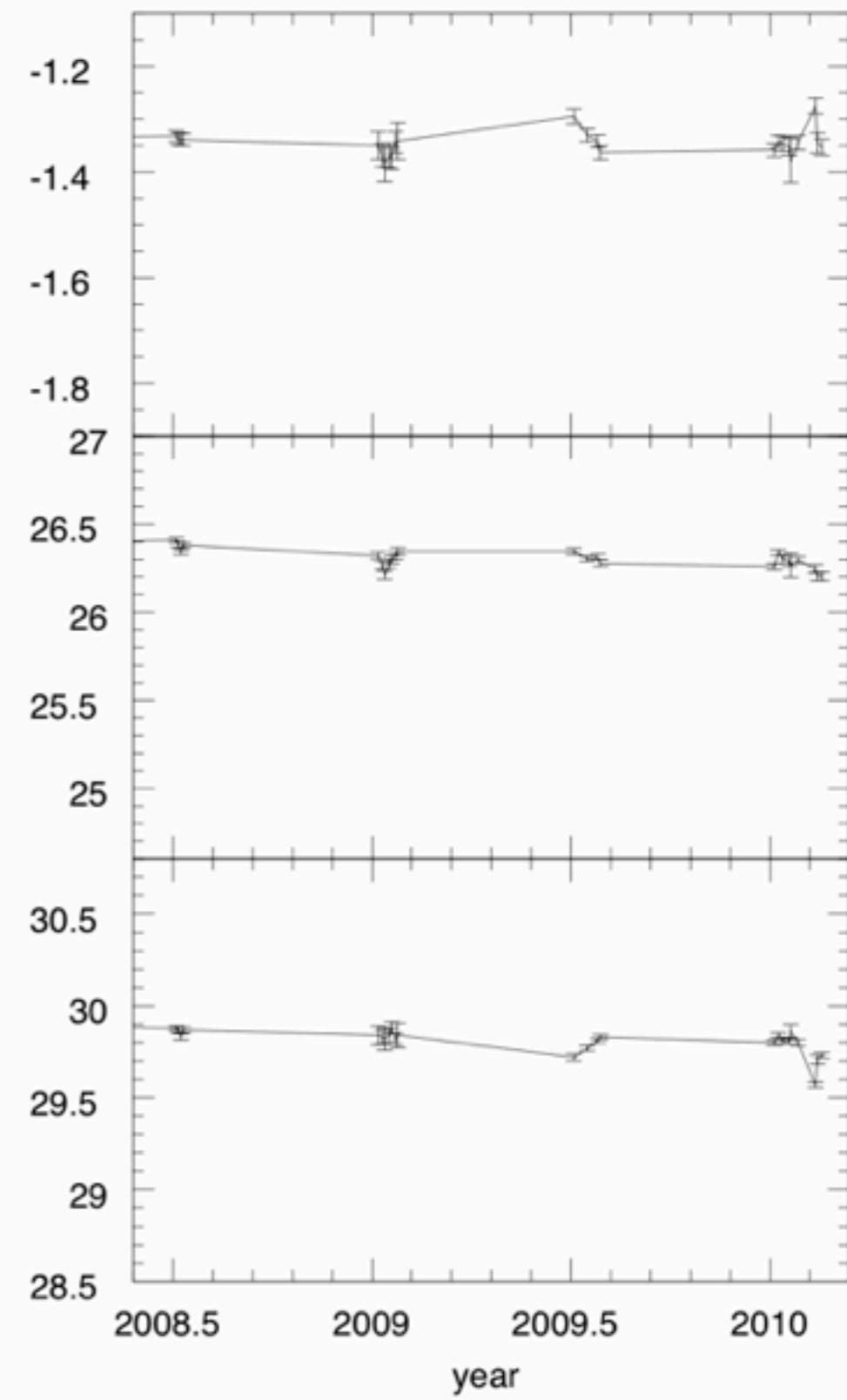
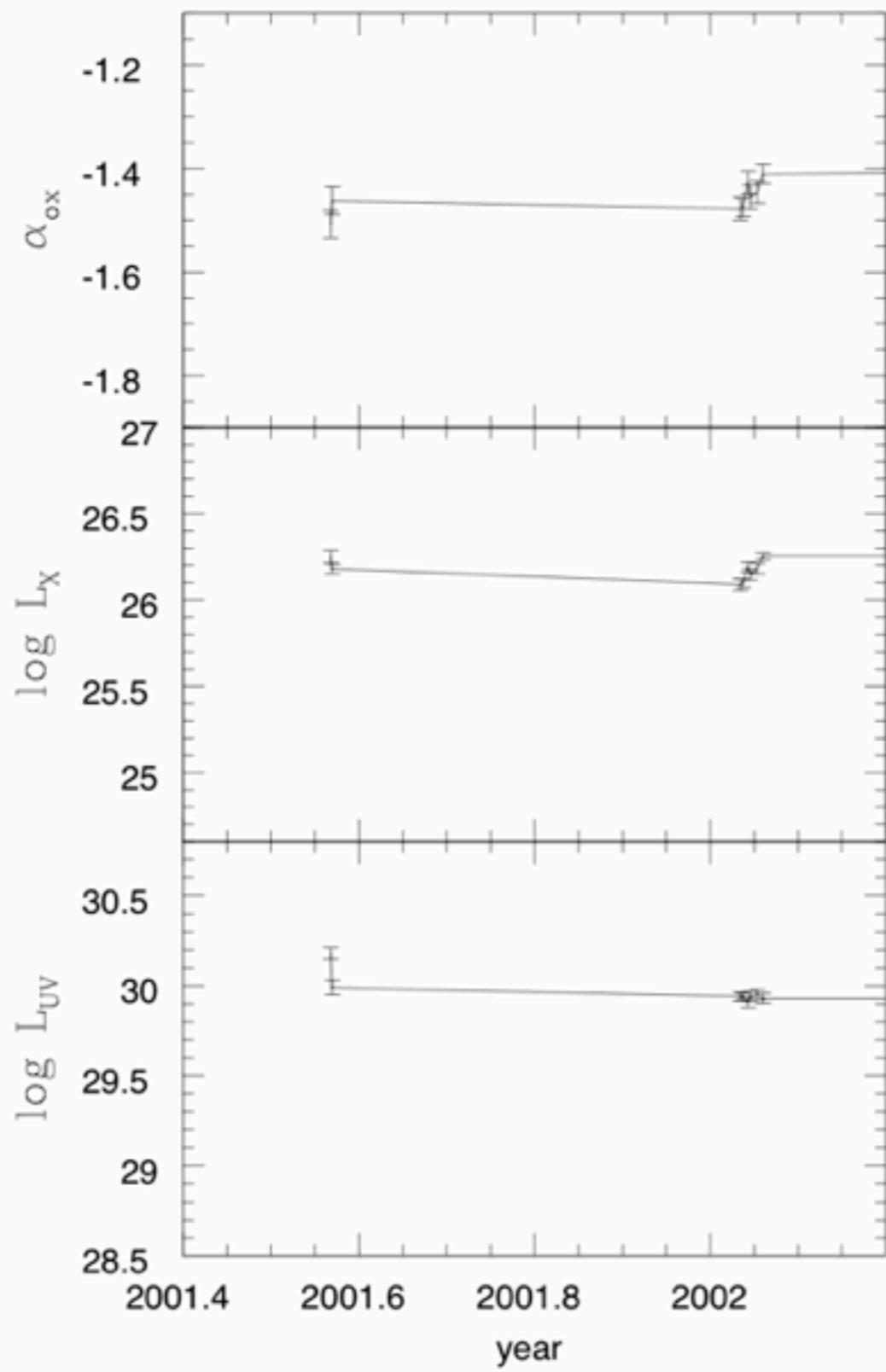


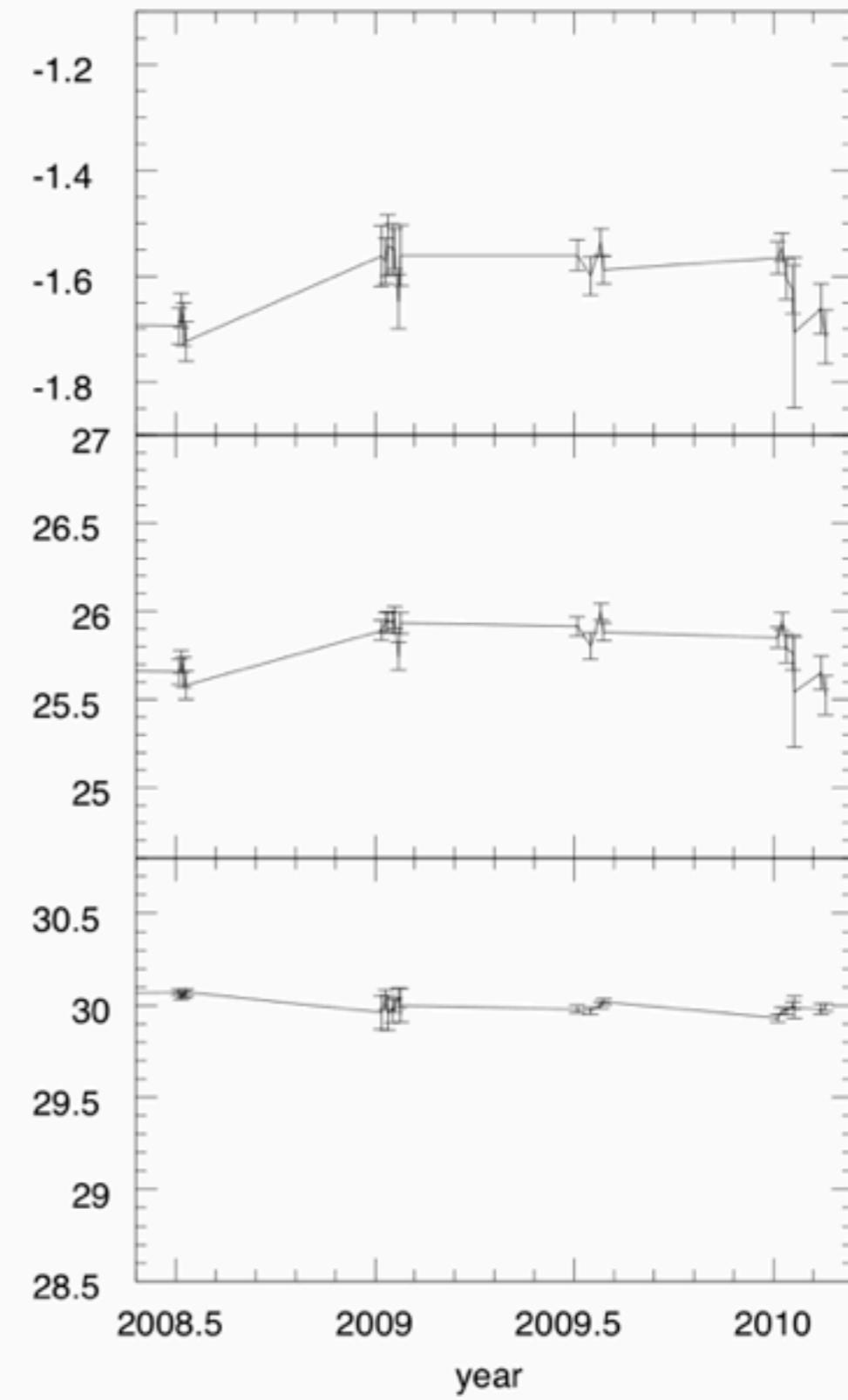
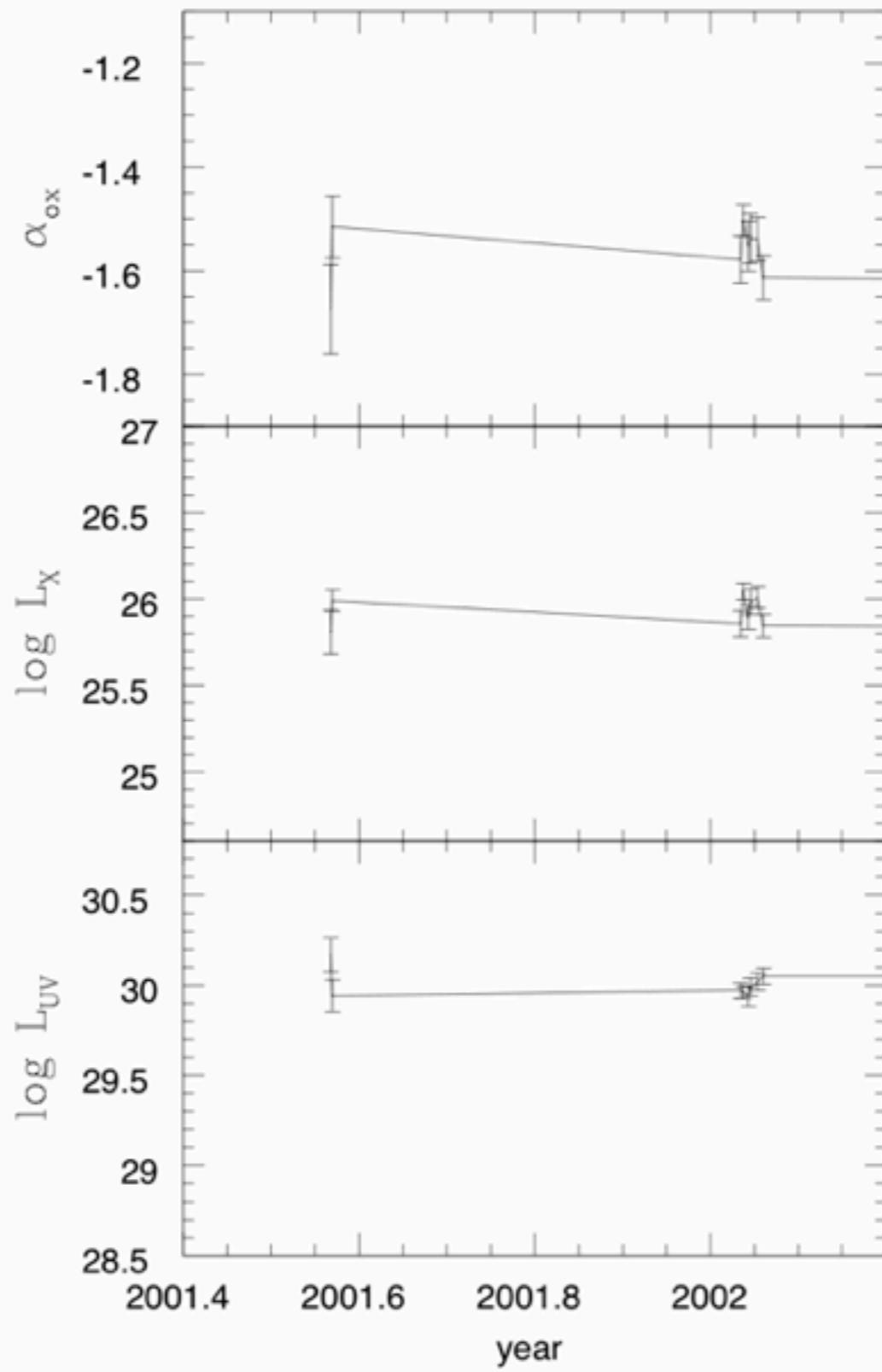


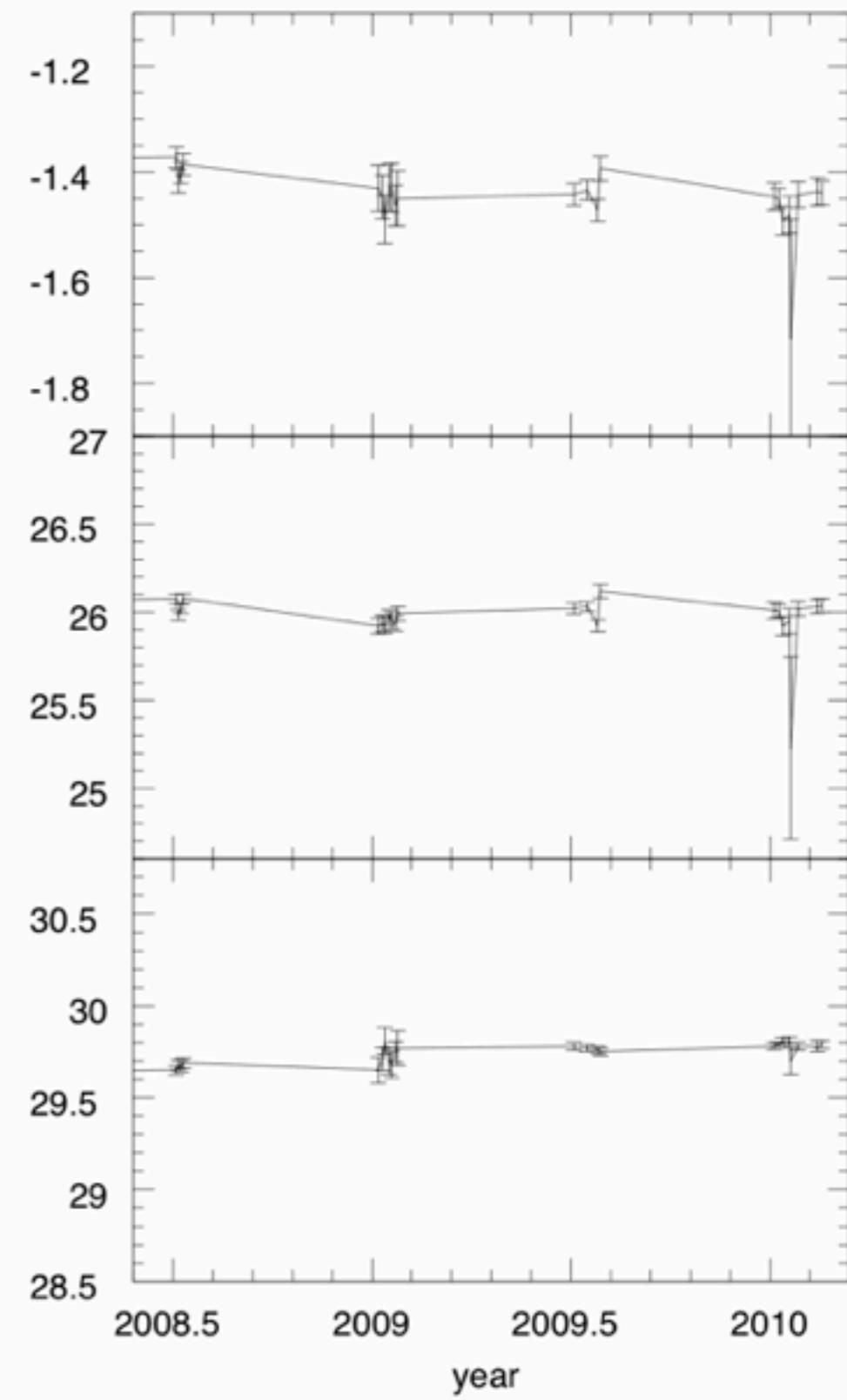
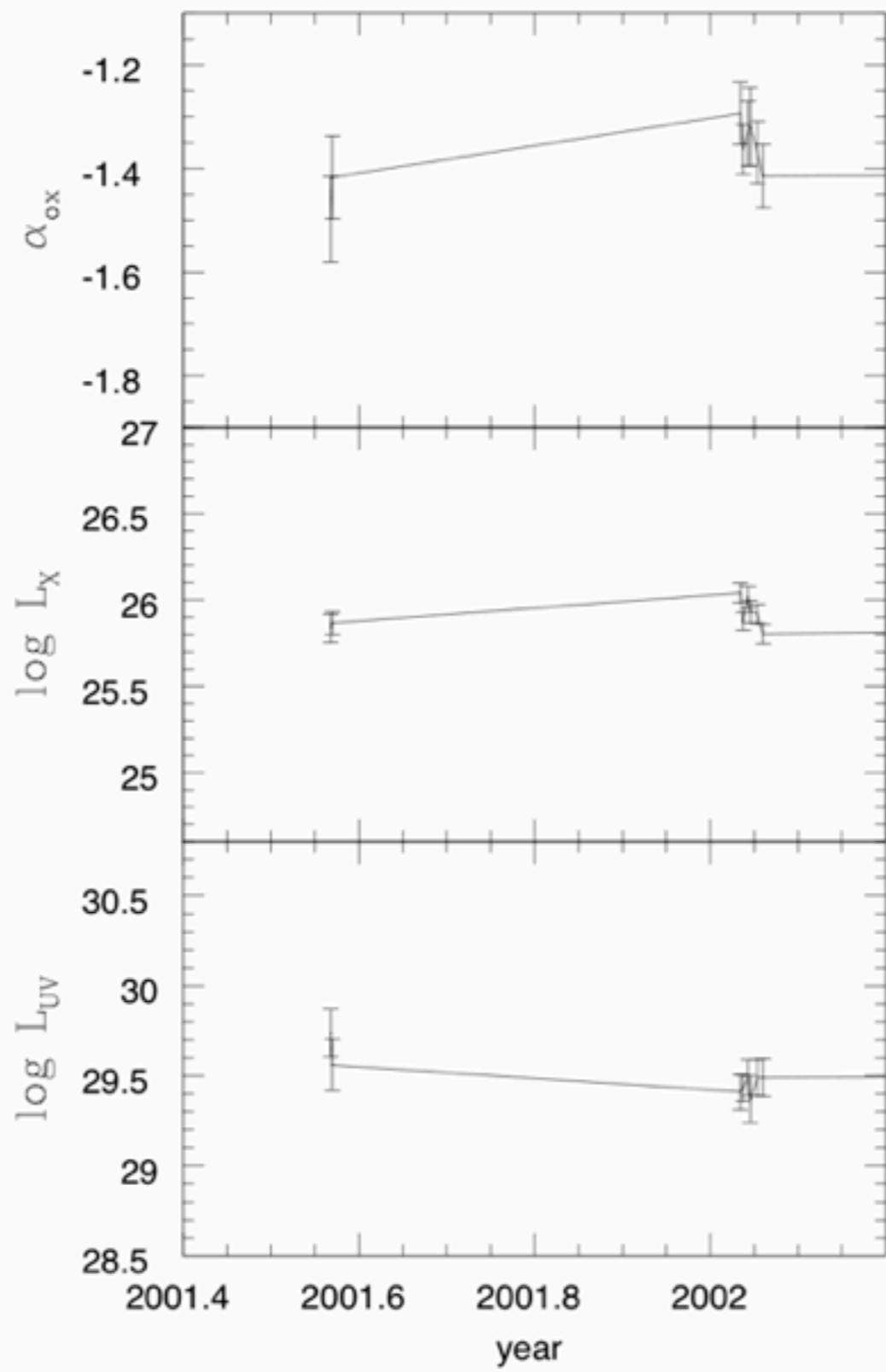




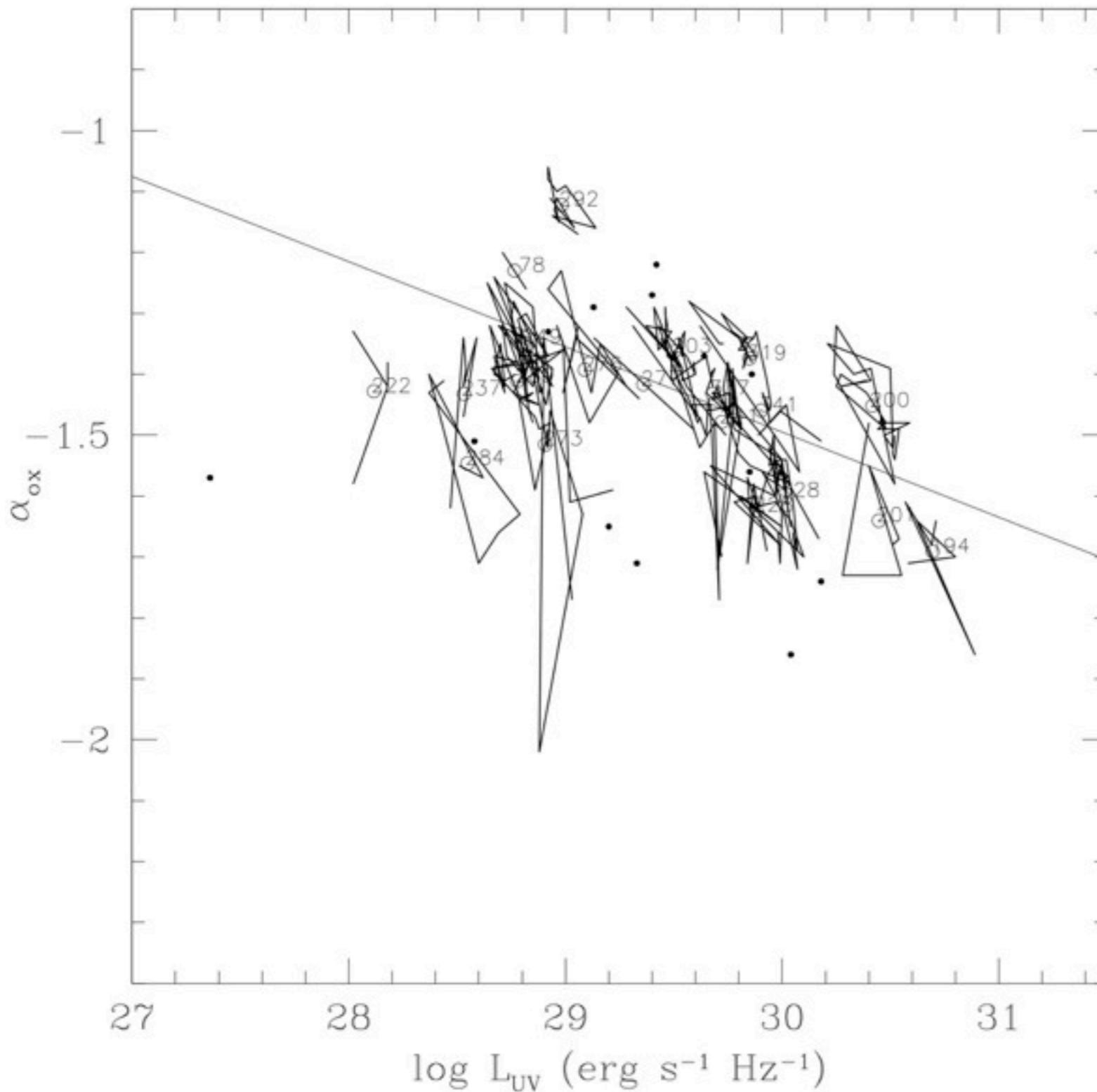






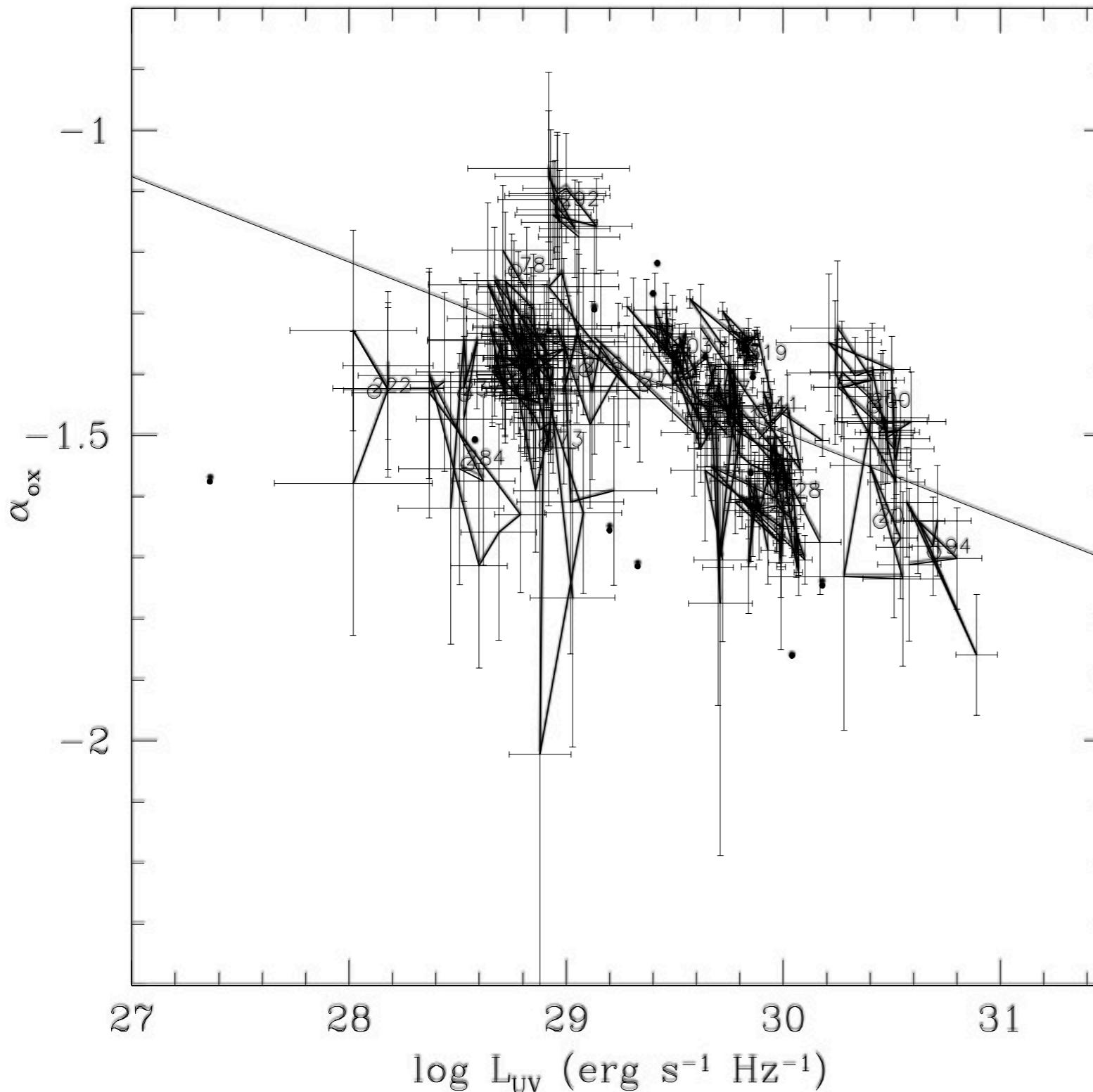


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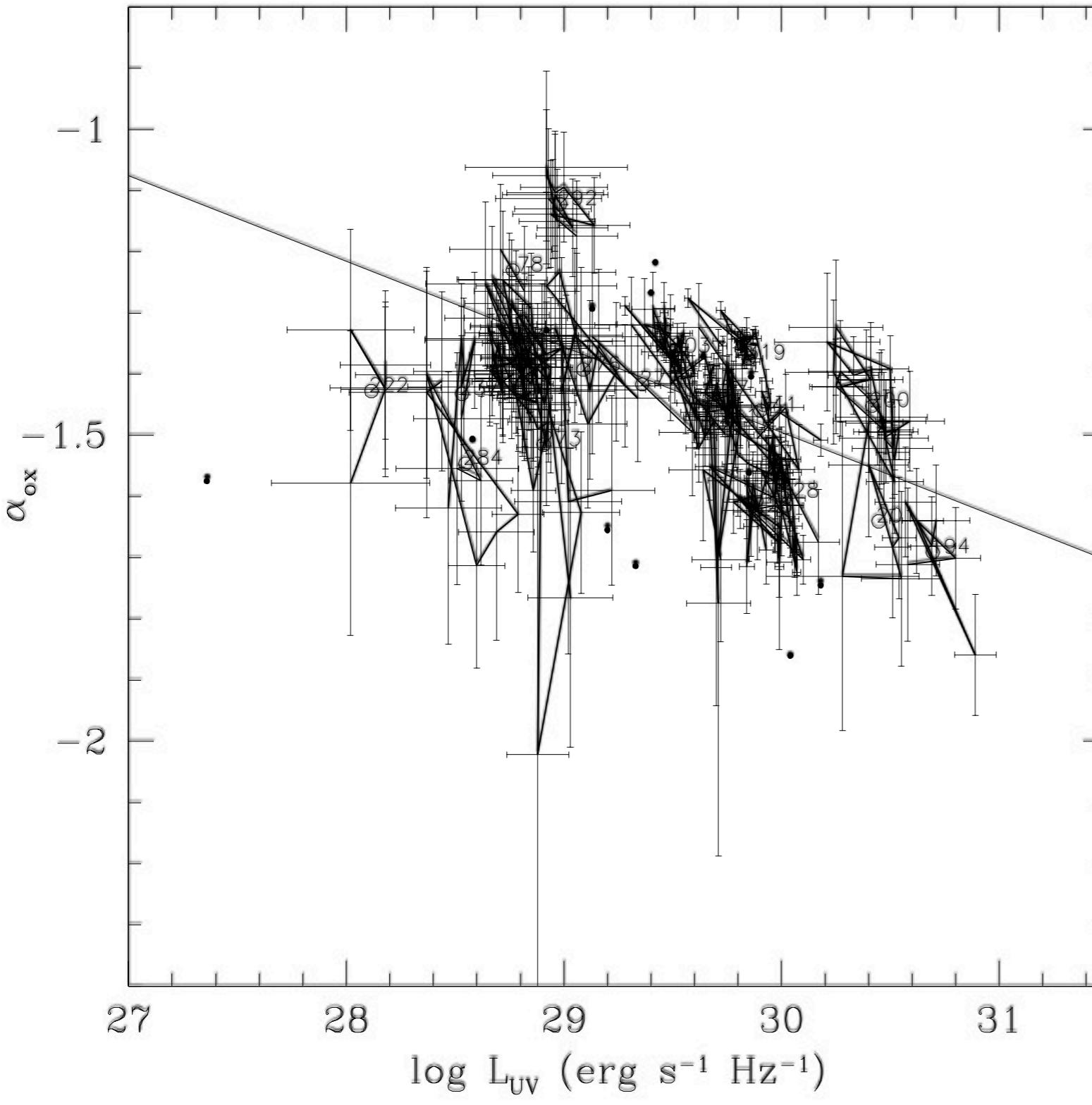
detailed information on  
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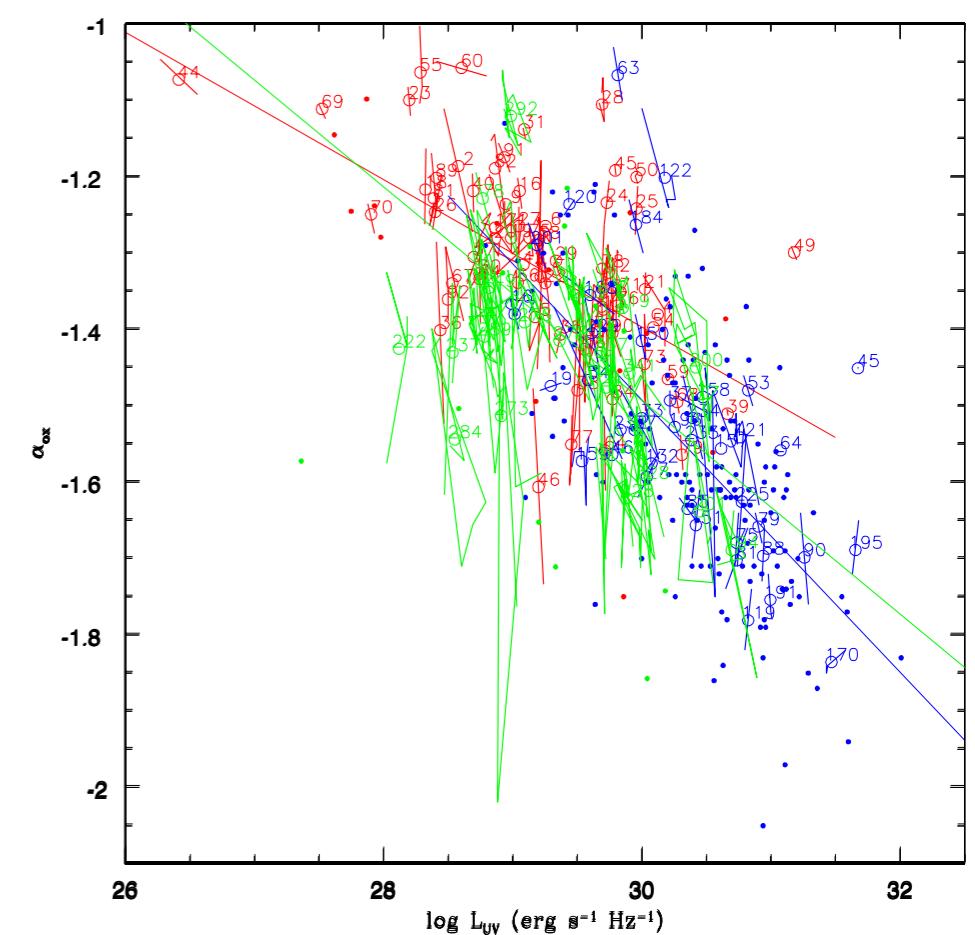
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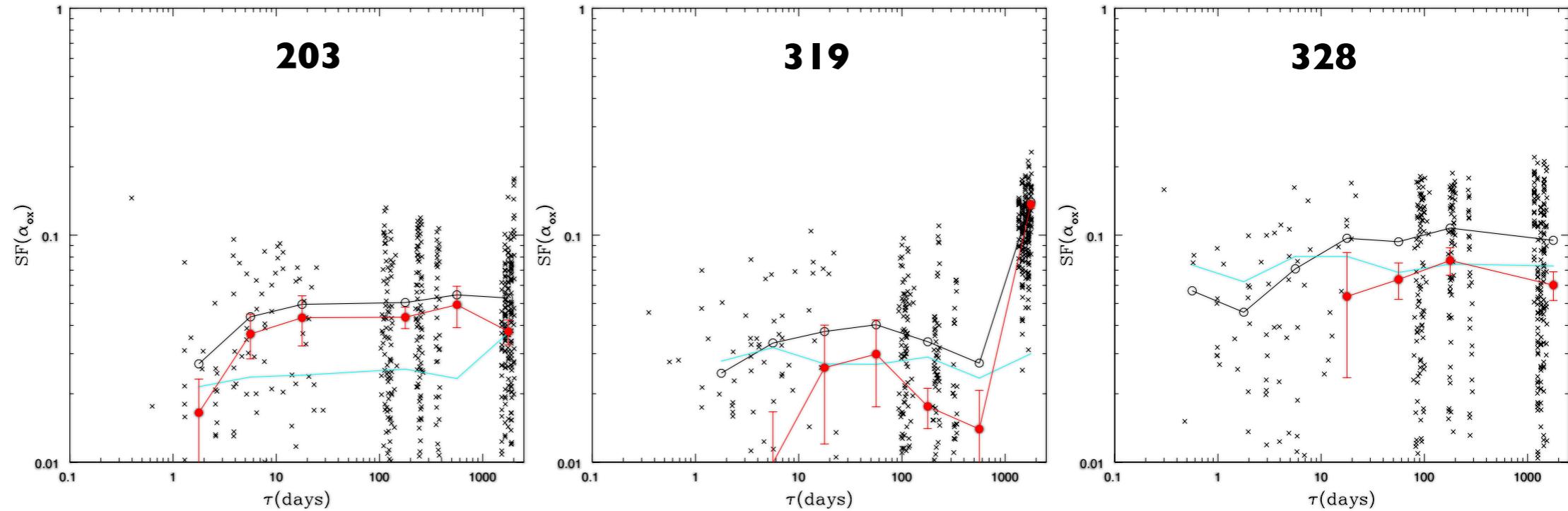
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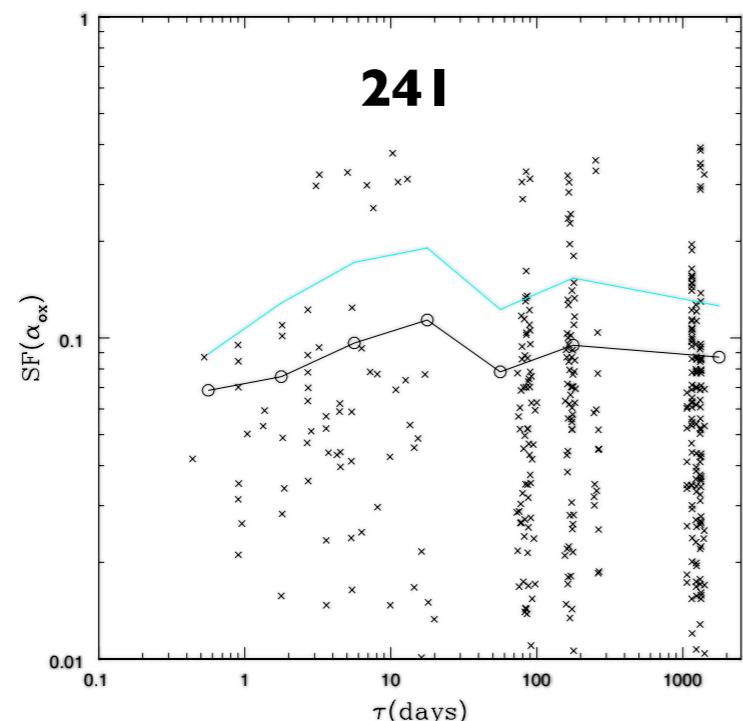
# structure functions

individual SF: a few cases where we are able to subtract variability due to photometric errors (brightest sources)

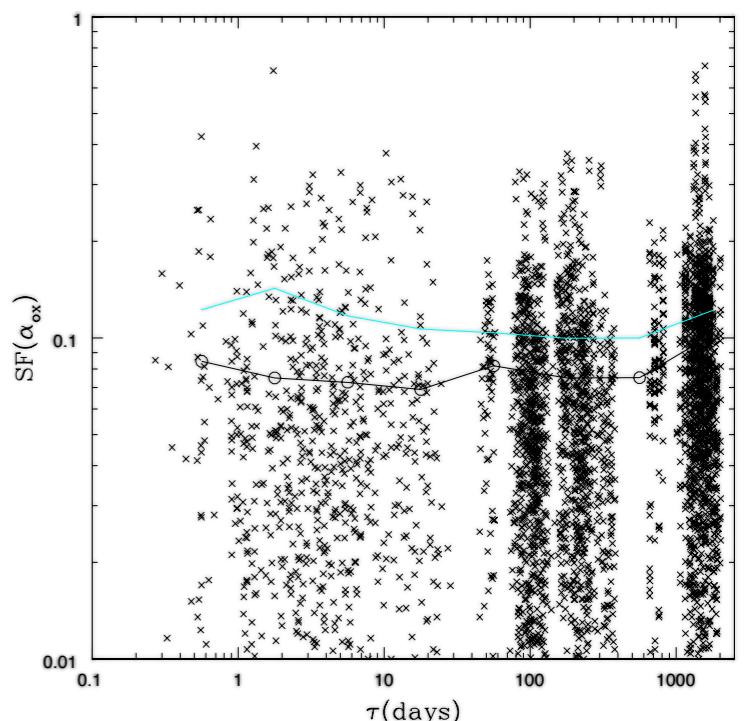
$$SF(\tau) = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2} \langle |\alpha_{ox}(t + \tau) - \alpha_{ox}(t)|^2 \rangle - \sigma_n^2}$$



in most cases the error is larger than the measure



the same occurs for the ensemble SF



# spectral variability parameter

describes changes of spectral index divided by changes of luminosity

introduced by Trevese & Vagnetti 2002 in the optical     $\beta(\tau) = \frac{\alpha(t + \tau) - \alpha(t)}{\log L(t + \tau) - \log L(t)}$

$\beta > 0$ : harder when brighter

$\beta < 0$ : softer when brighter

can be used also in  $\alpha_{ox}$ -L<sub>UV</sub> relation: can be estimated by average slope of  $\alpha_{ox}$ -L<sub>UV</sub> relation for individual source

$$\beta_{ox} = \frac{\Delta \alpha_{ox}}{\Delta \log L_{UV}}$$

however, many correlations have slopes approaching -0.38, because  $\alpha_{ox}$  is intrinsically correlated with L<sub>UV</sub> by the definition  $\alpha_{ox}=0.38\log(L_x/L_{UV})$ . if L<sub>x</sub> stays constant and only L<sub>UV</sub> changes, slope will be -0.38

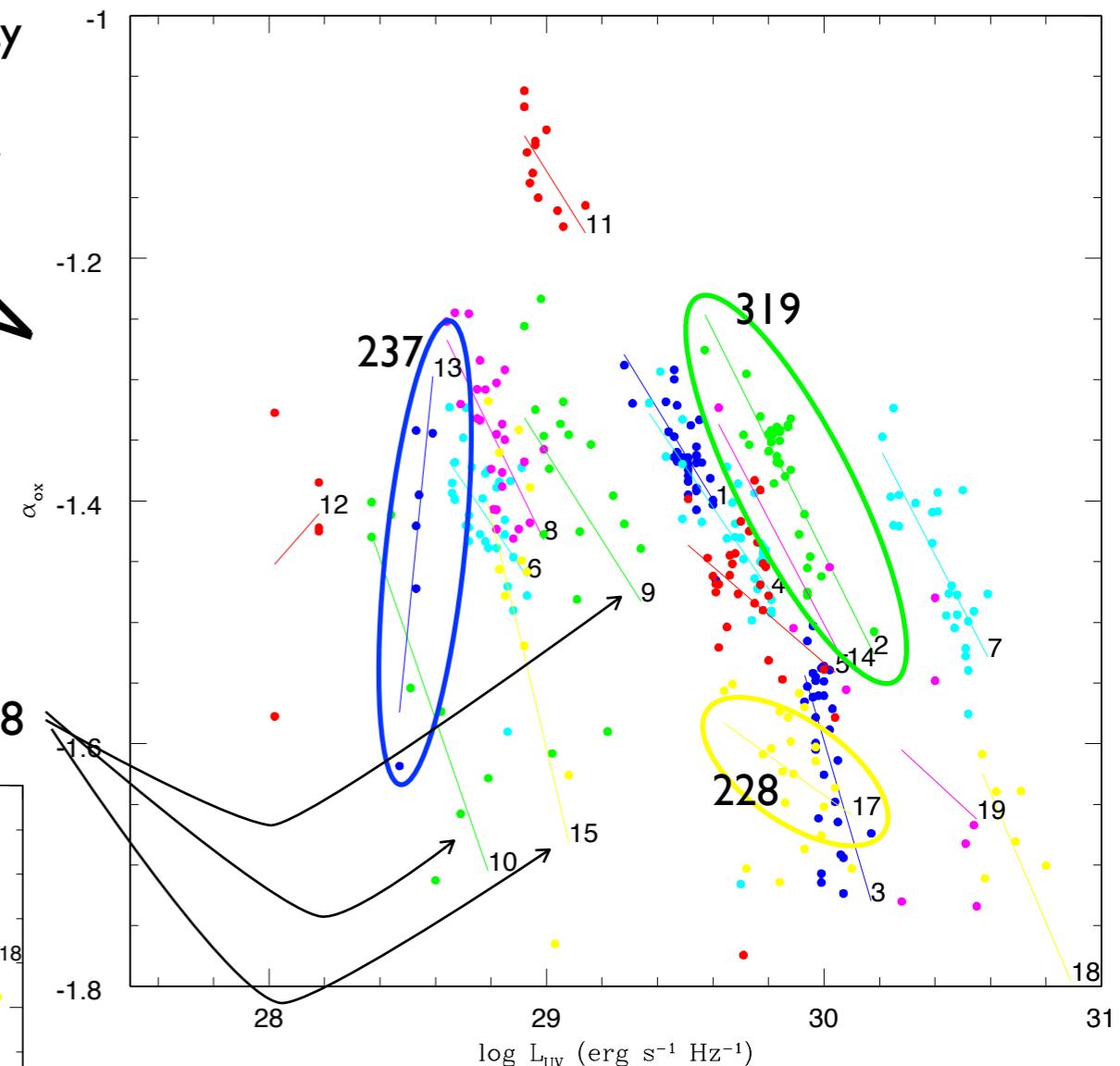
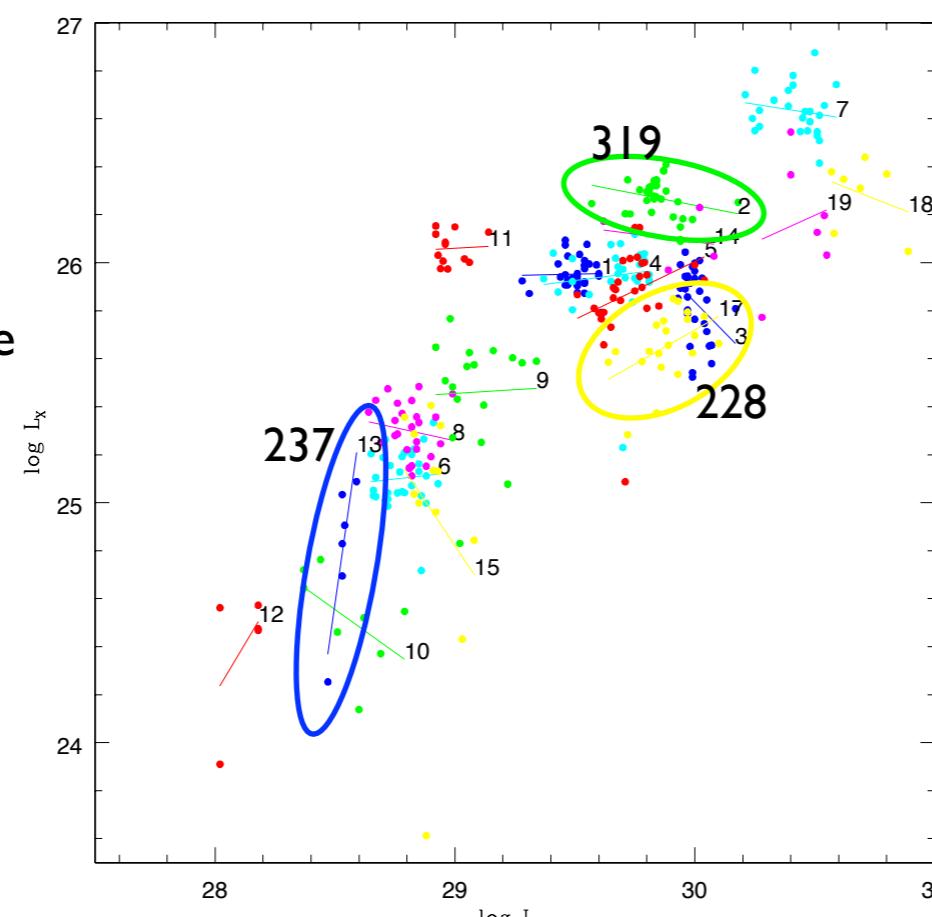
better evaluate L<sub>x</sub>-L<sub>UV</sub> correlations

best cases ( $P_{null} < 0.03$ ) are the sources:

237 ( $\beta_{ox} = 2.3 \pm 0.7$ )

228 ( $\beta_{ox} = -0.16 \pm 0.09$ )

319 ( $\beta_{ox} = -0.46 \pm 0.05$ )



most sources have negative  $\beta_{ox}$ . softer when brighter means that optical varies more than X-ray

source 237 shows an opposite behavior

# next steps

- try to decrease the errors
  - get optimised X-ray fluxes from the collaboration
  - check OM images
- improve ensemble and individual structure functions
- improve evaluation of  $\beta_{ox}$  with errors
- try X-ray/UV cross correlations to determine lags

# **backup slides**

disk-corona relation  
CIV blueshift  
3 bright sources in L-z plane  
 $N_{\text{epo}}$  histograms  
cross-correlations  
optical and X-ray images

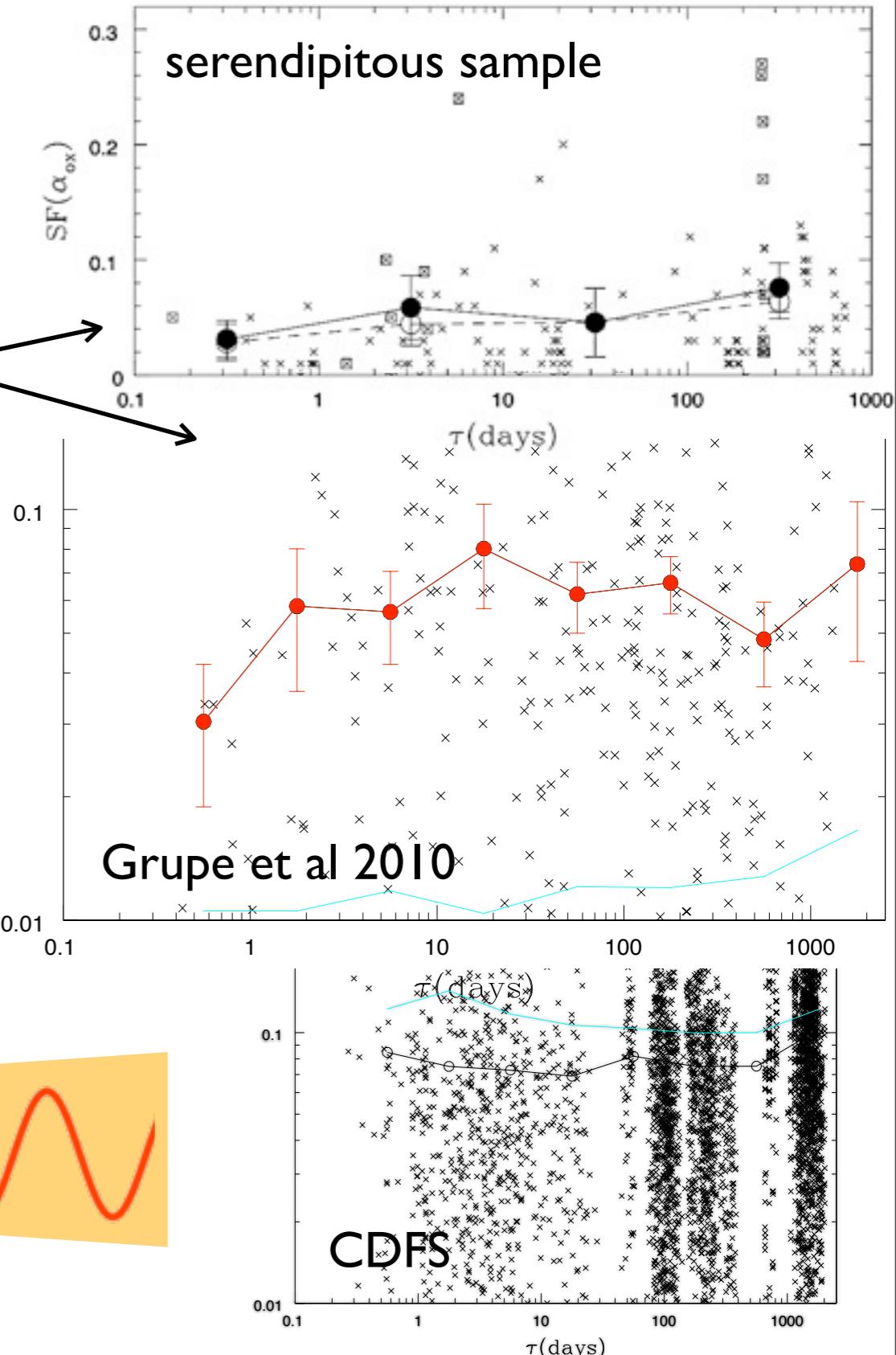
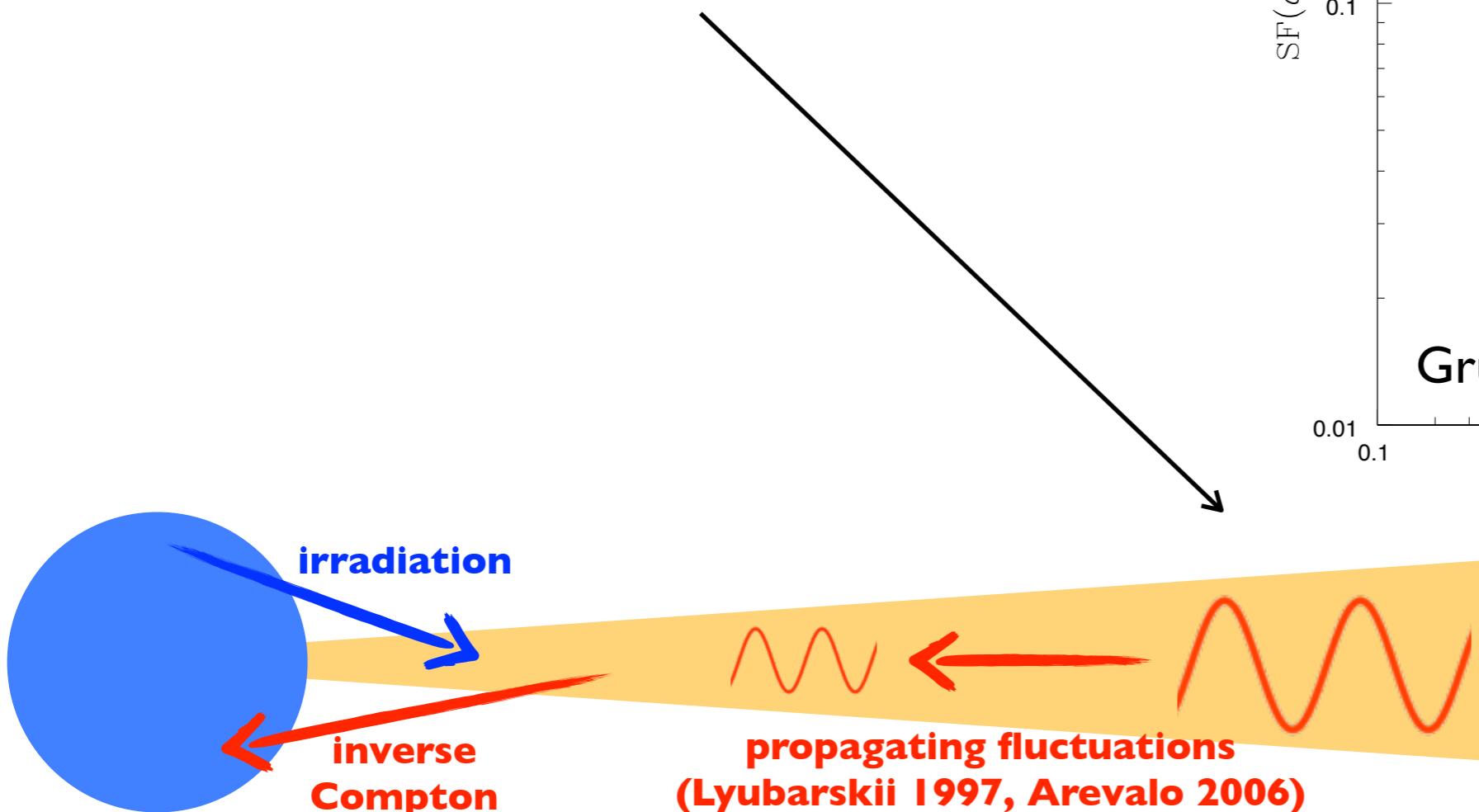
# X-ray/optical interplay

$$\alpha_{ox} \equiv 0.38 \log \frac{L_X}{L_{UV}}$$

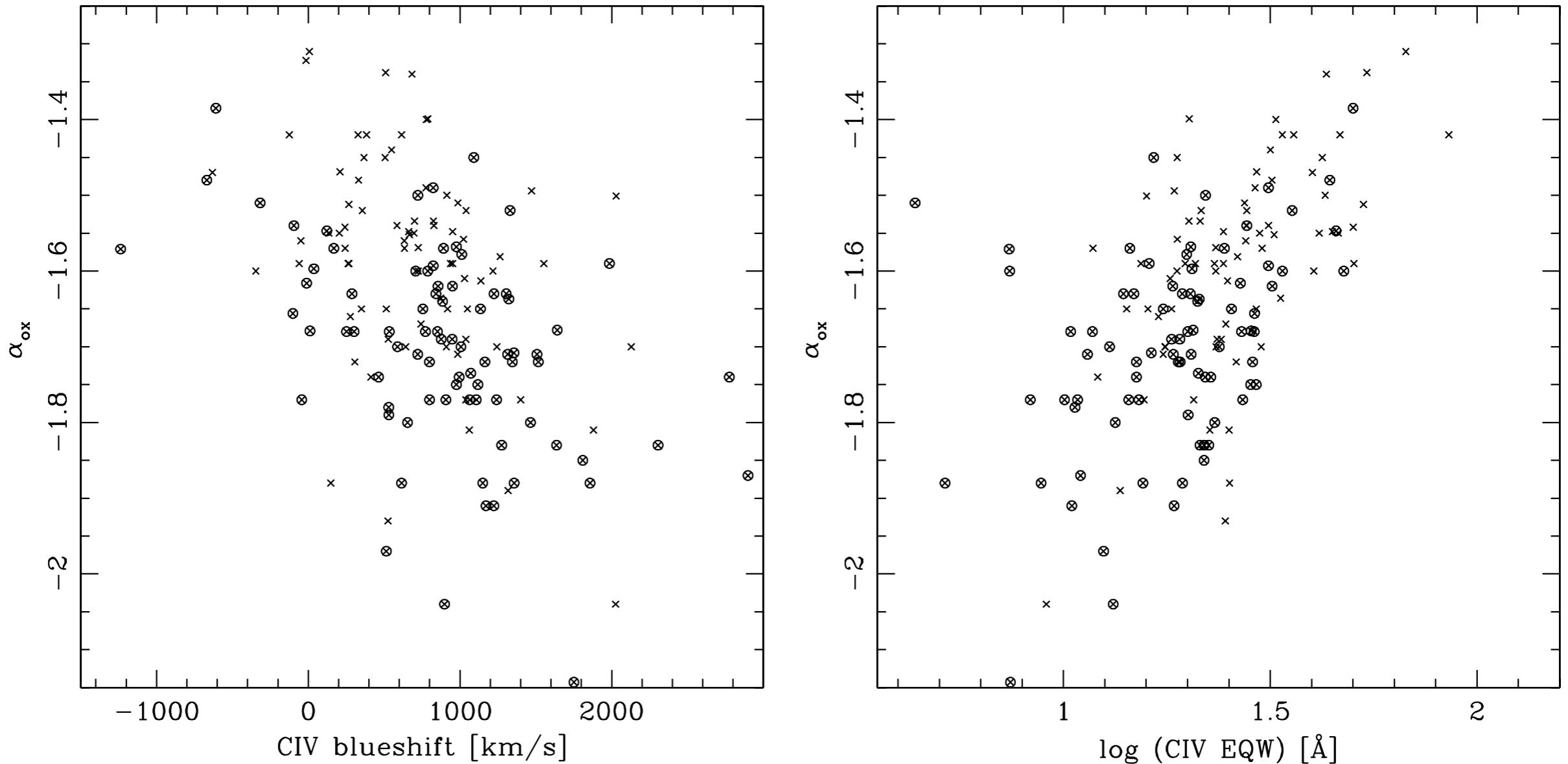
if  $\alpha_{ox}$  changes, then X and UV must vary differently, one more than the other

larger variations at **long time scales**, according to SF

expected to be driven by **optical** fluctuations

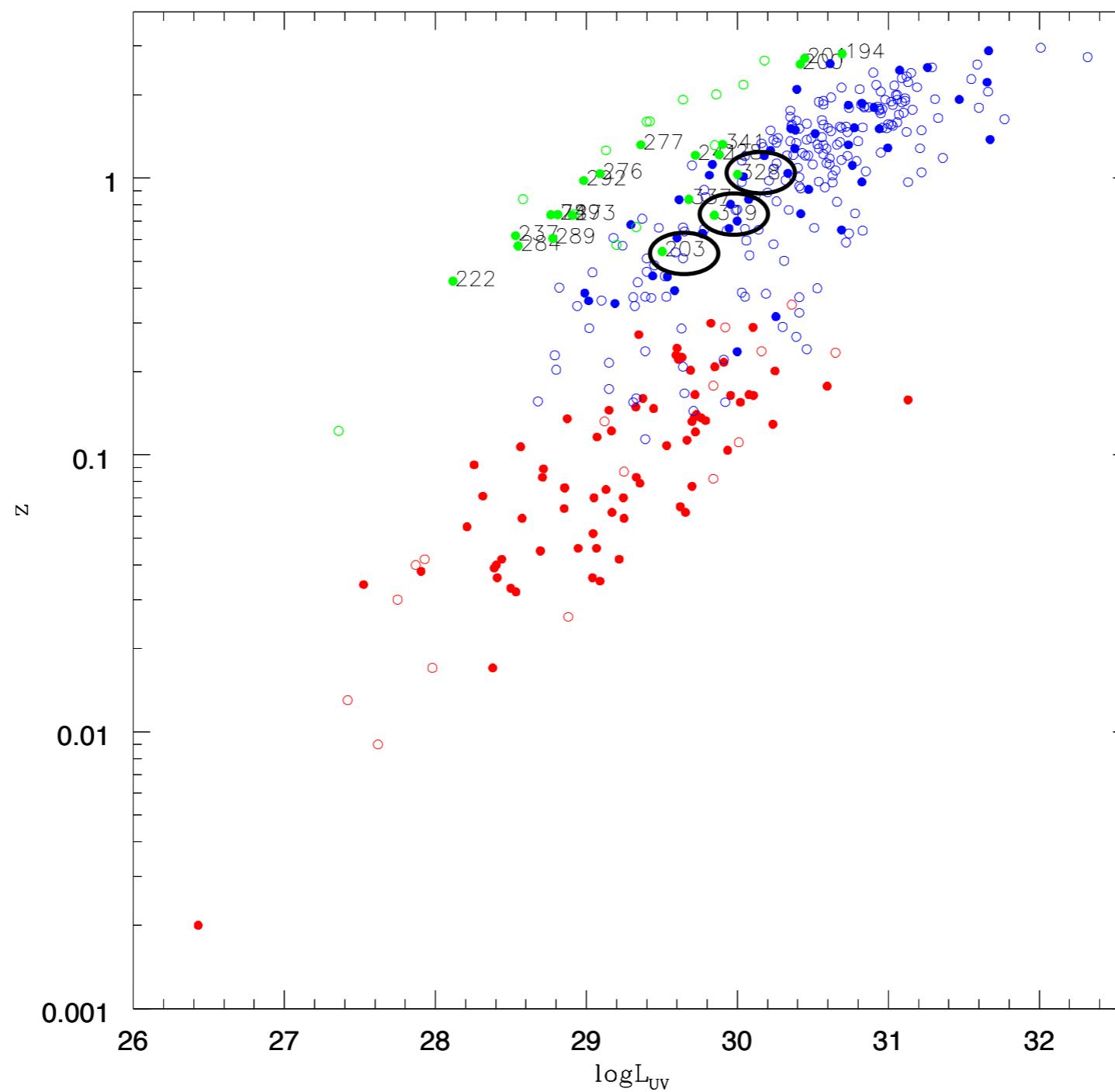


# CIV Equivalent Width and blueshift

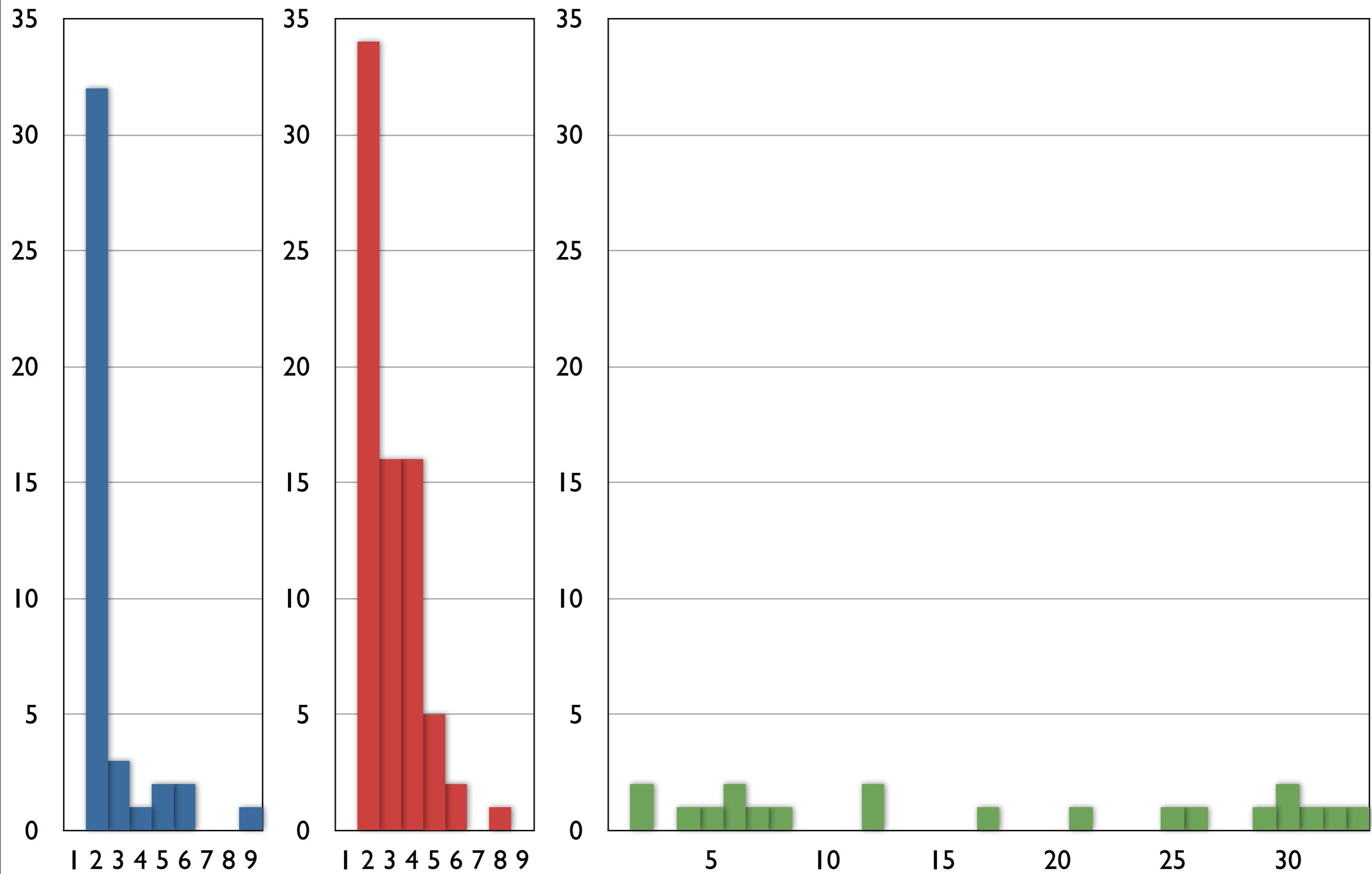


$\alpha_{\text{ox}}$  is anti-correlated with CIV blueshift and  
correlated with CIV Equivalent Width  
(Richards et al 2011, Kruczak et al 2011)

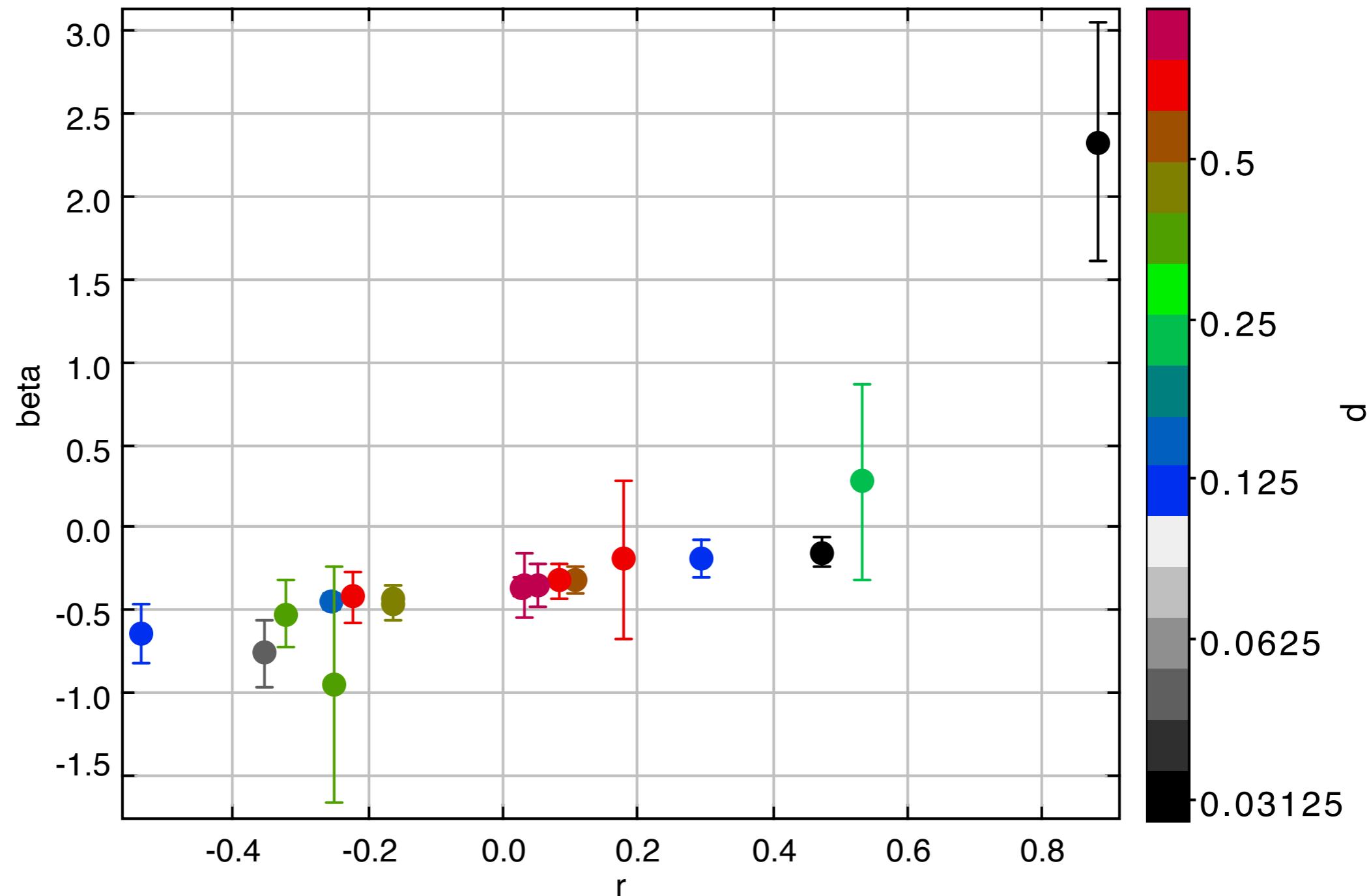
# L-z plane



# Nepo histograms



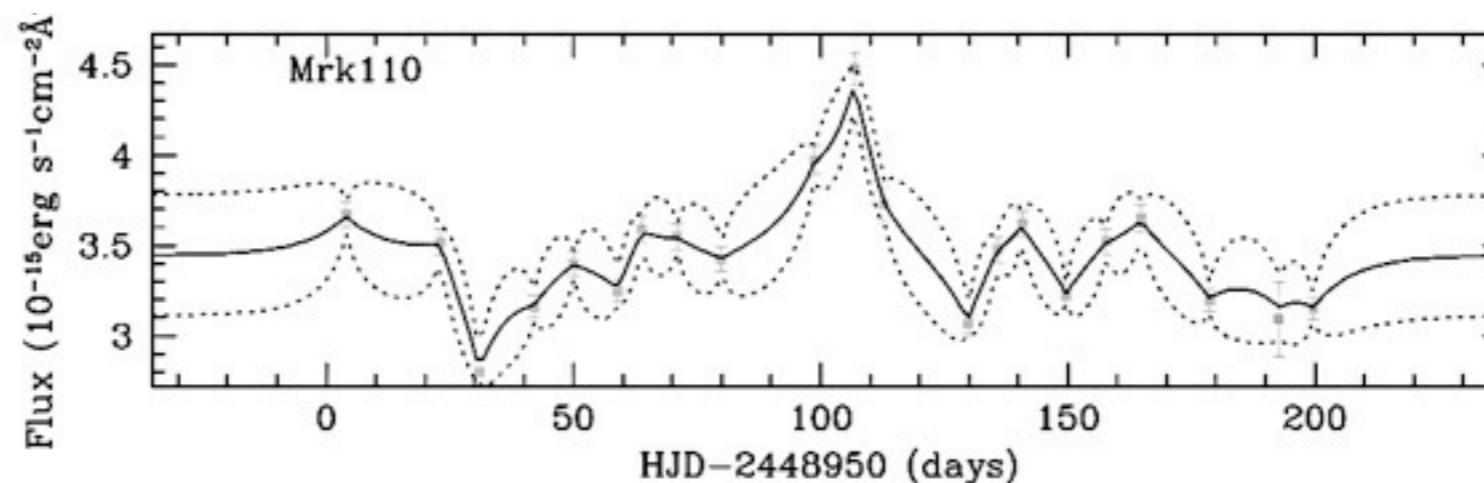
# $\beta$ , $r$ and $P(>r)$



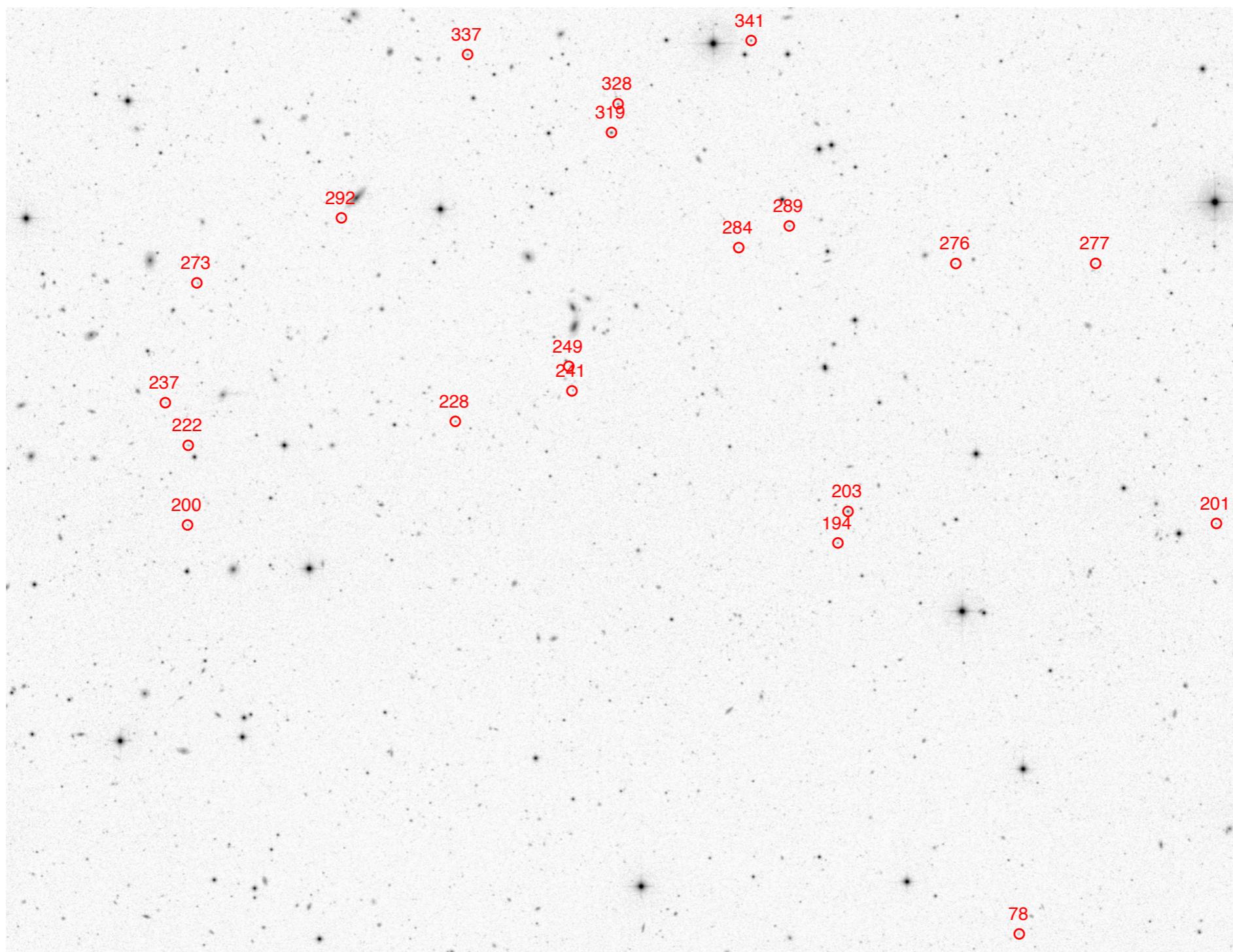
# **cross-correlation**

with quite large number of epochs, it could be possible to try **cross-correlations** to determine time-lags between X-ray and optical

methods to estimate probabilities within the gaps could be applied (Zu et al 2011)



# optical image, V<sub>EIS</sub>



# X-ray image, 4Ms Chandra

