

Seoul National University AGN Monitoring Project (**SAMP**)

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# Investigating the High-Luminosity End of H $\beta$ Radius-Luminosity relation

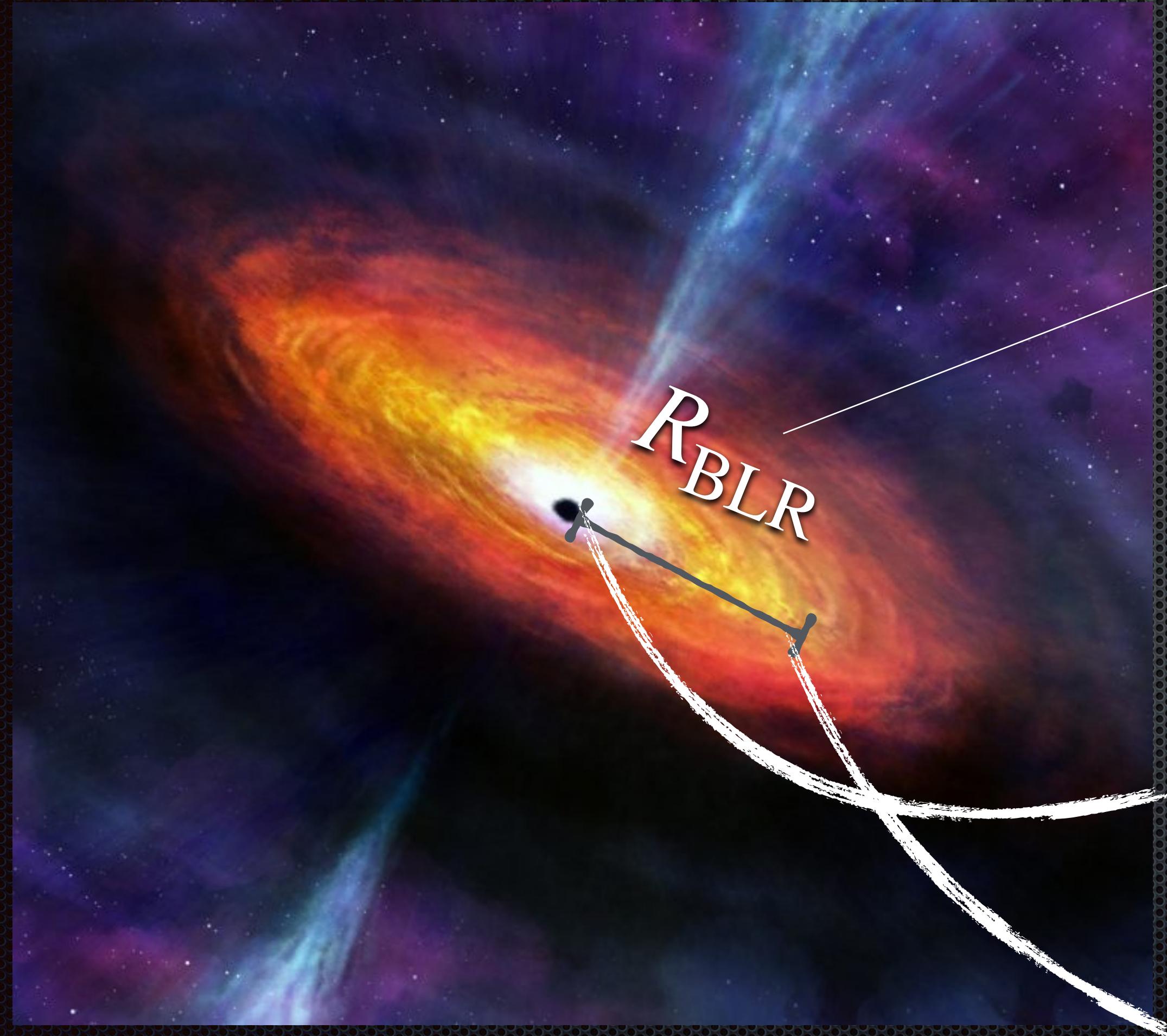
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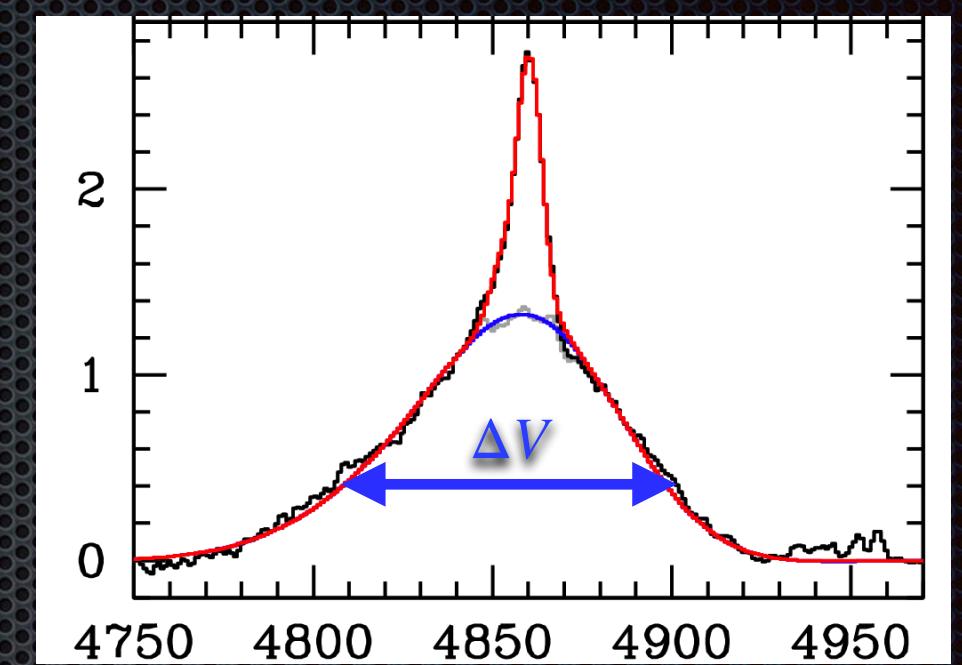
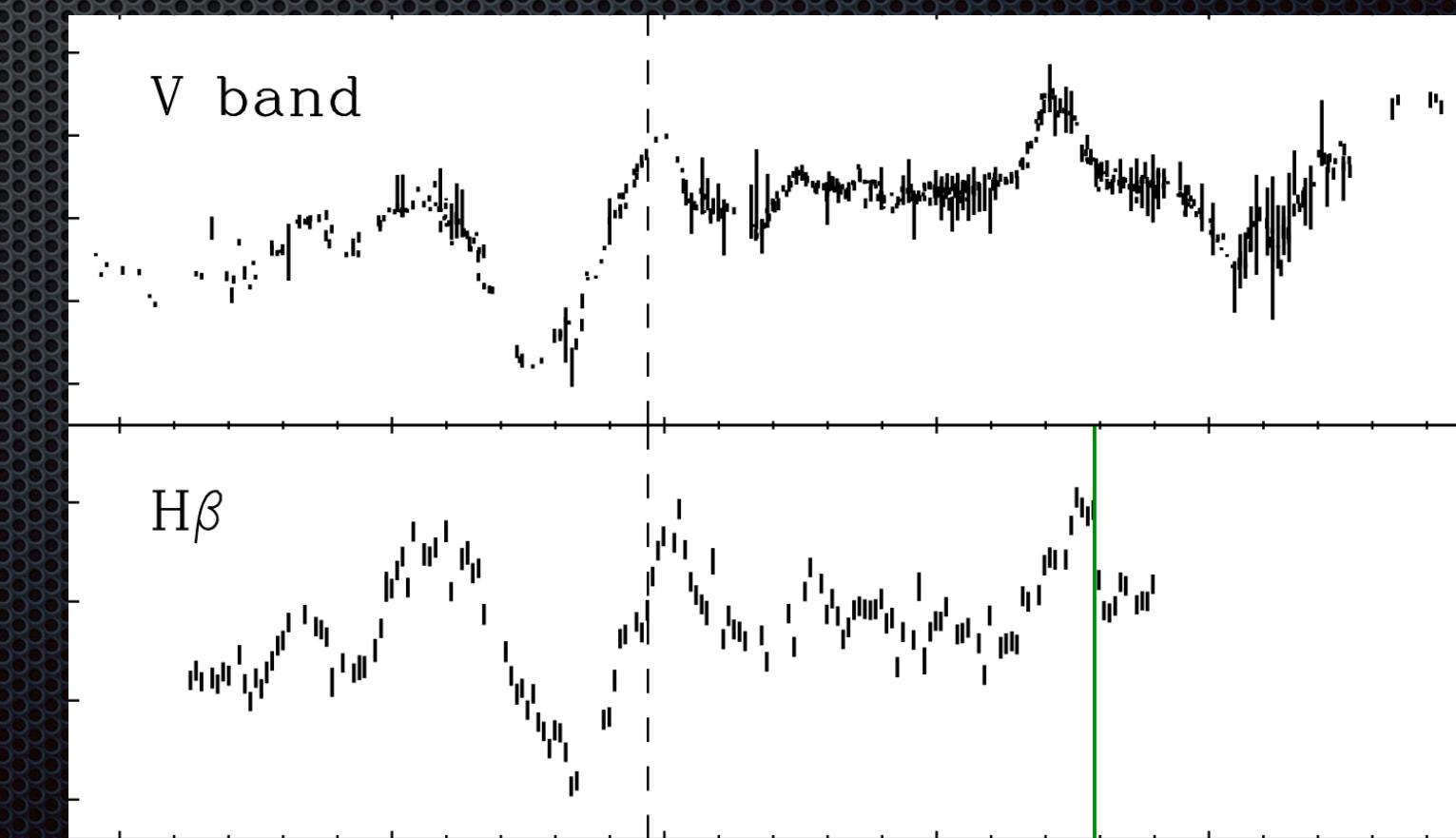


# Measuring $M_{\text{BH}}$



Credit: Nahks Tr'Ehnl (Penn State University)

$$M_{\text{BH}} = \frac{f R_{\text{BLR}} \Delta V^2}{G}$$



# $H\beta$ Radius—Luminosity relation

- **Establishment.**

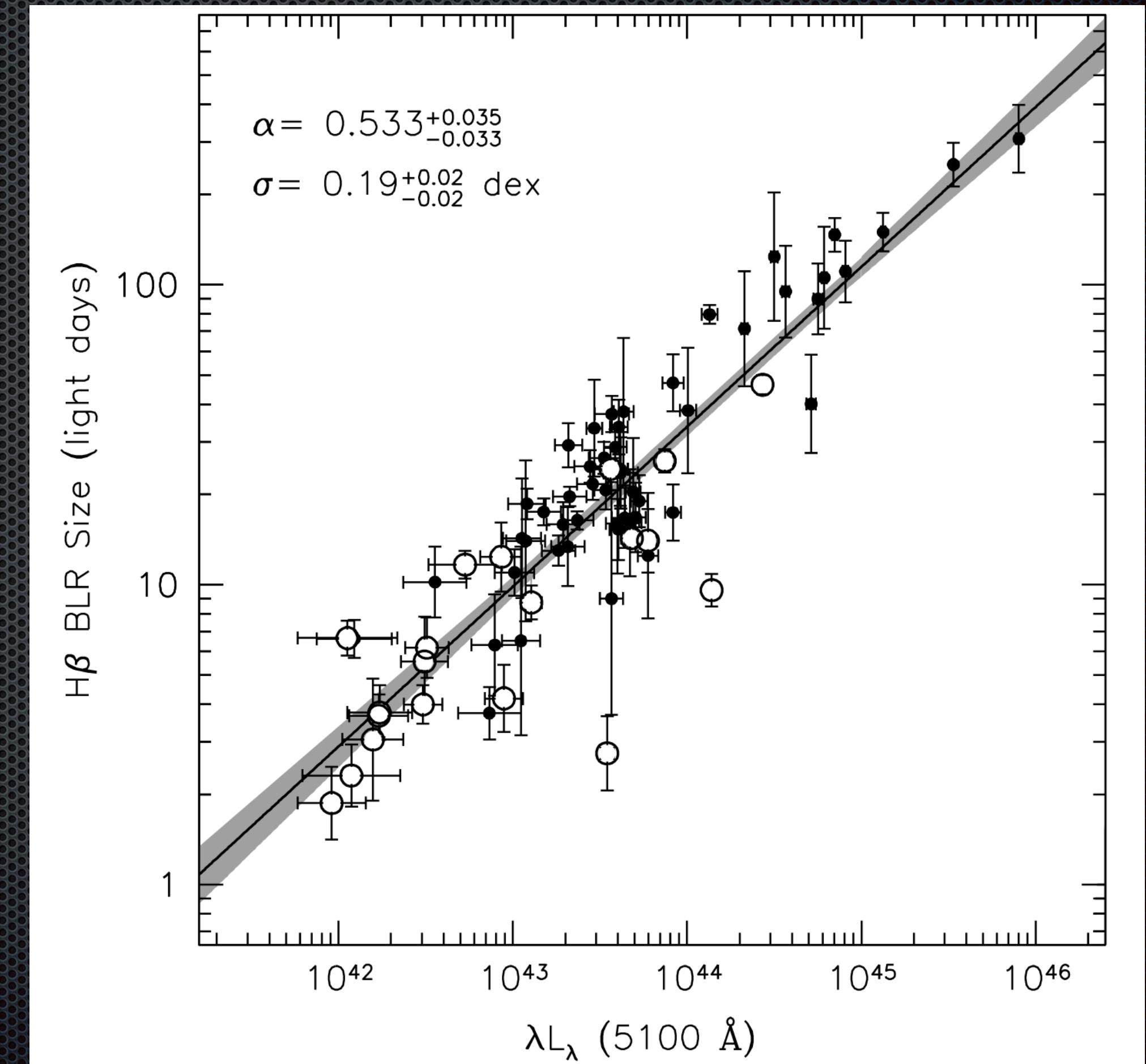
- Kaspi et al. (2000); Bentz et al. (2009 , 2013)

- **Single-epoch BH mass.**

- Greene & Ho (2005); Vestergaard & Peterson (2006); Shen et al. (2011); Liu et al. (2019); etc

- **Constrain cosmology:**

- Watson et al. (2011); Martínez-Aldama et al. (2019); Khadka et al. (2021,2022), etc



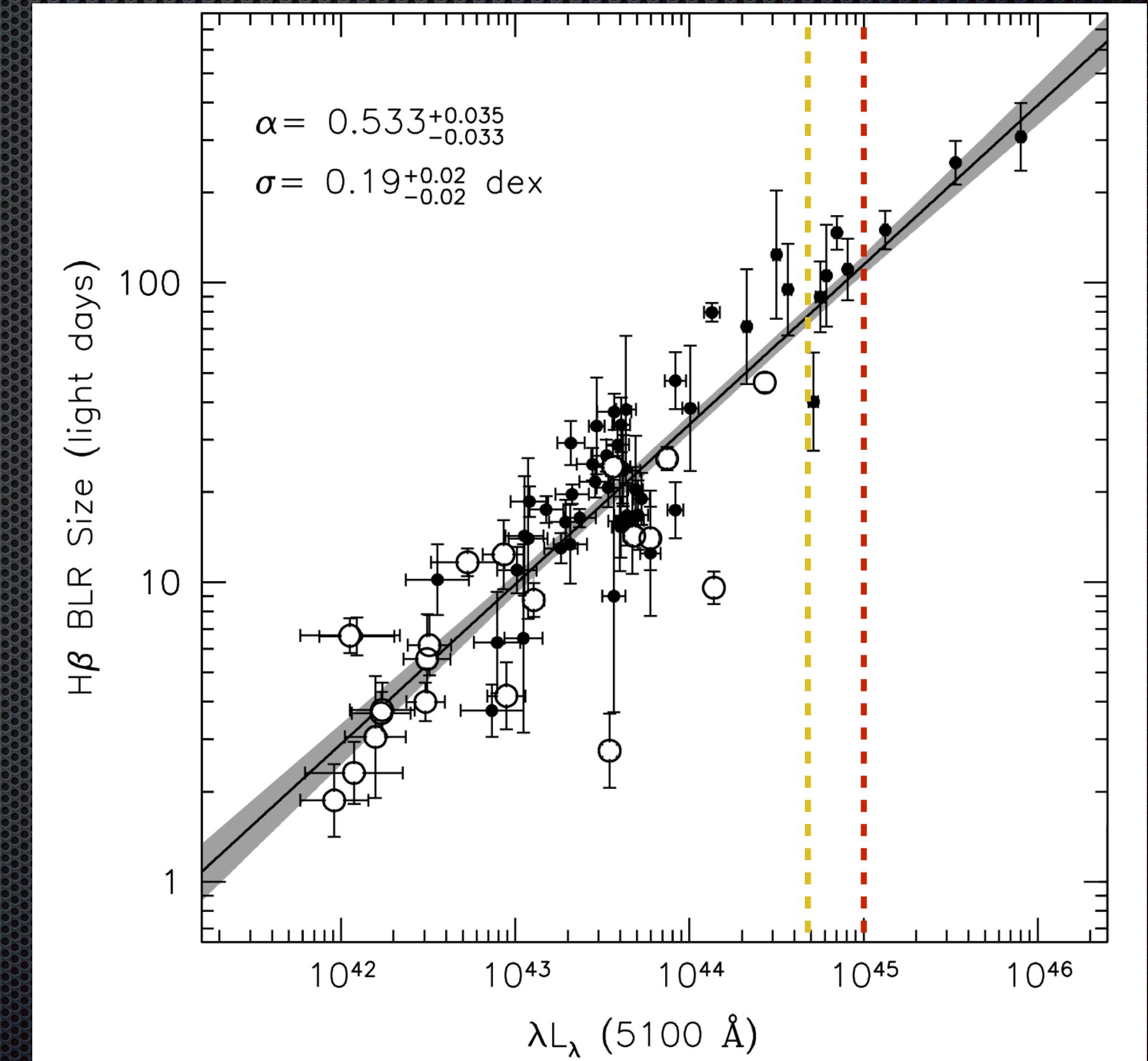
Bentz et al. (2013)

# $H\beta$ Radius—Luminosity relation

**Sample is biased to low-to-moderate  $L_{5100}$  and low- $z$  AGNs**

Difficulty:

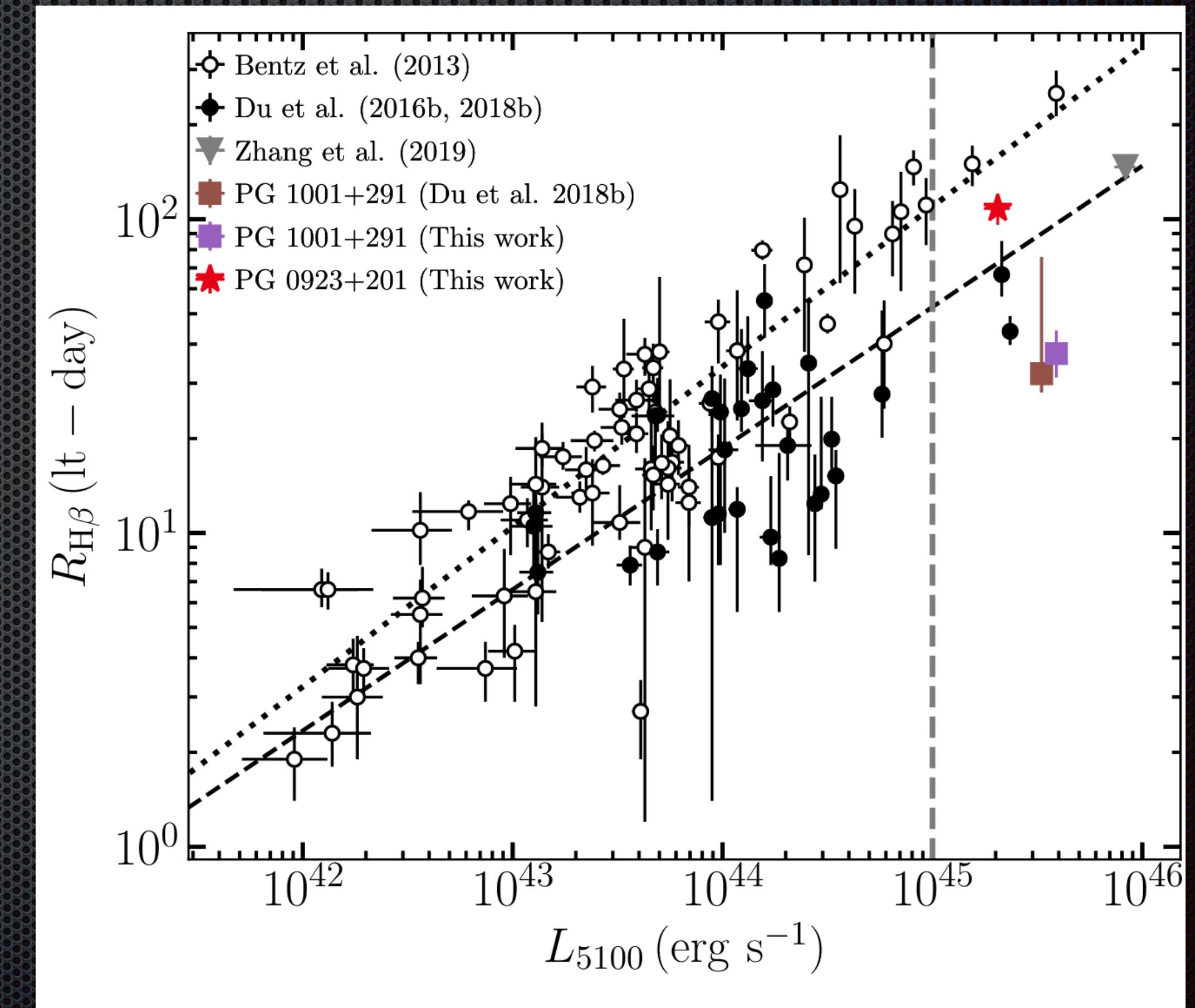
1. requiring large amount of observing resources and long baseline;
2. variability are typically not large



Bentz et al. (2013)

# Complications

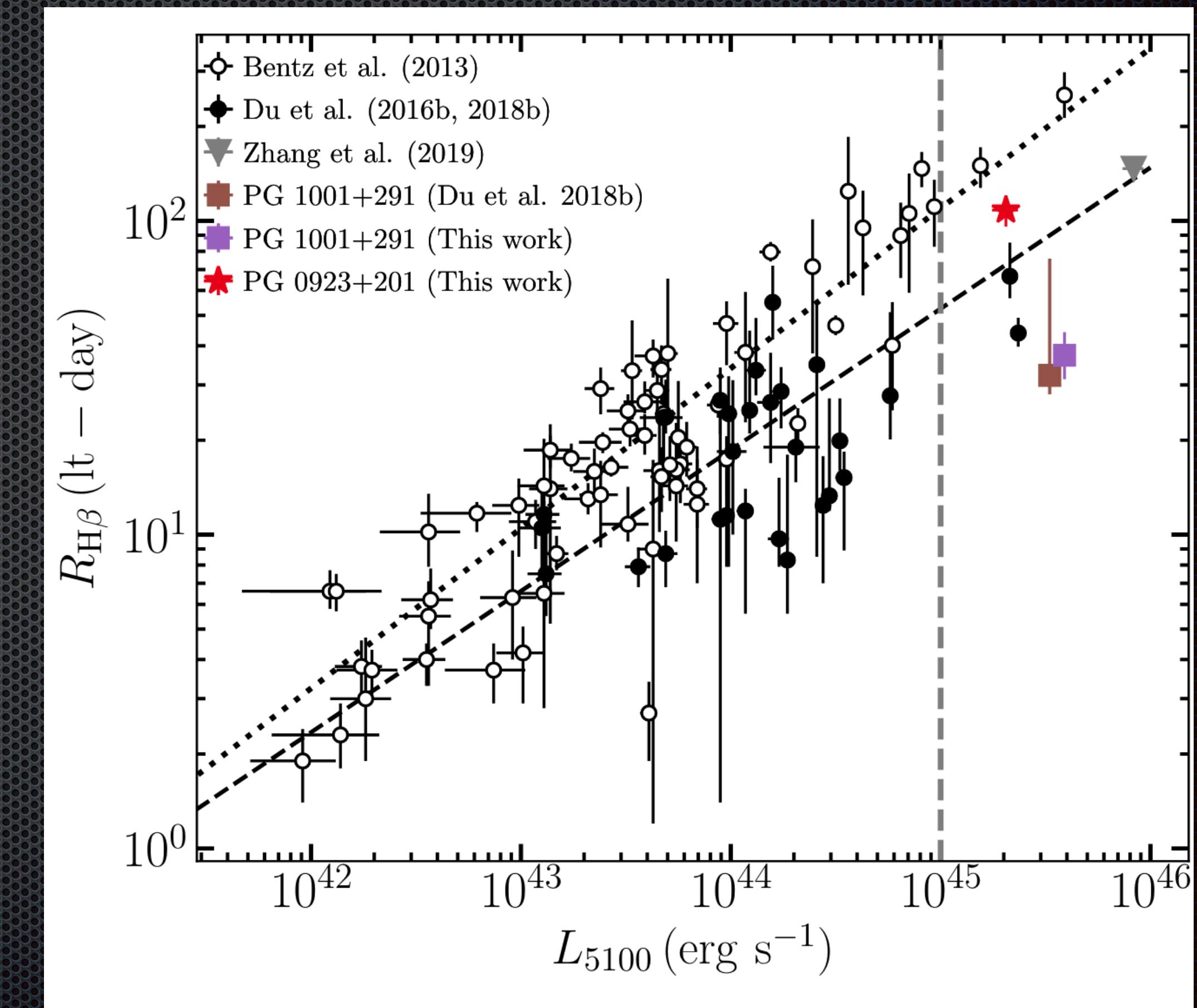
- Much more **scattered**, especially at high Luminosity end ( $\sim 0.8$  dex difference at  $>10^{45.0}$  erg s $^{-1}$ )
- Systematic offset for **super Eddington accreting BHs** (e.g., Du et al. 2015, Du & Wang 2019)



Li et al. (2021)

# Consequences

- **Bias** in the single-epoch BH mass estimation, especially at high Luminosity (high-z)
- Weak constraints to cosmology (e.g., Khadka et al. 2022)

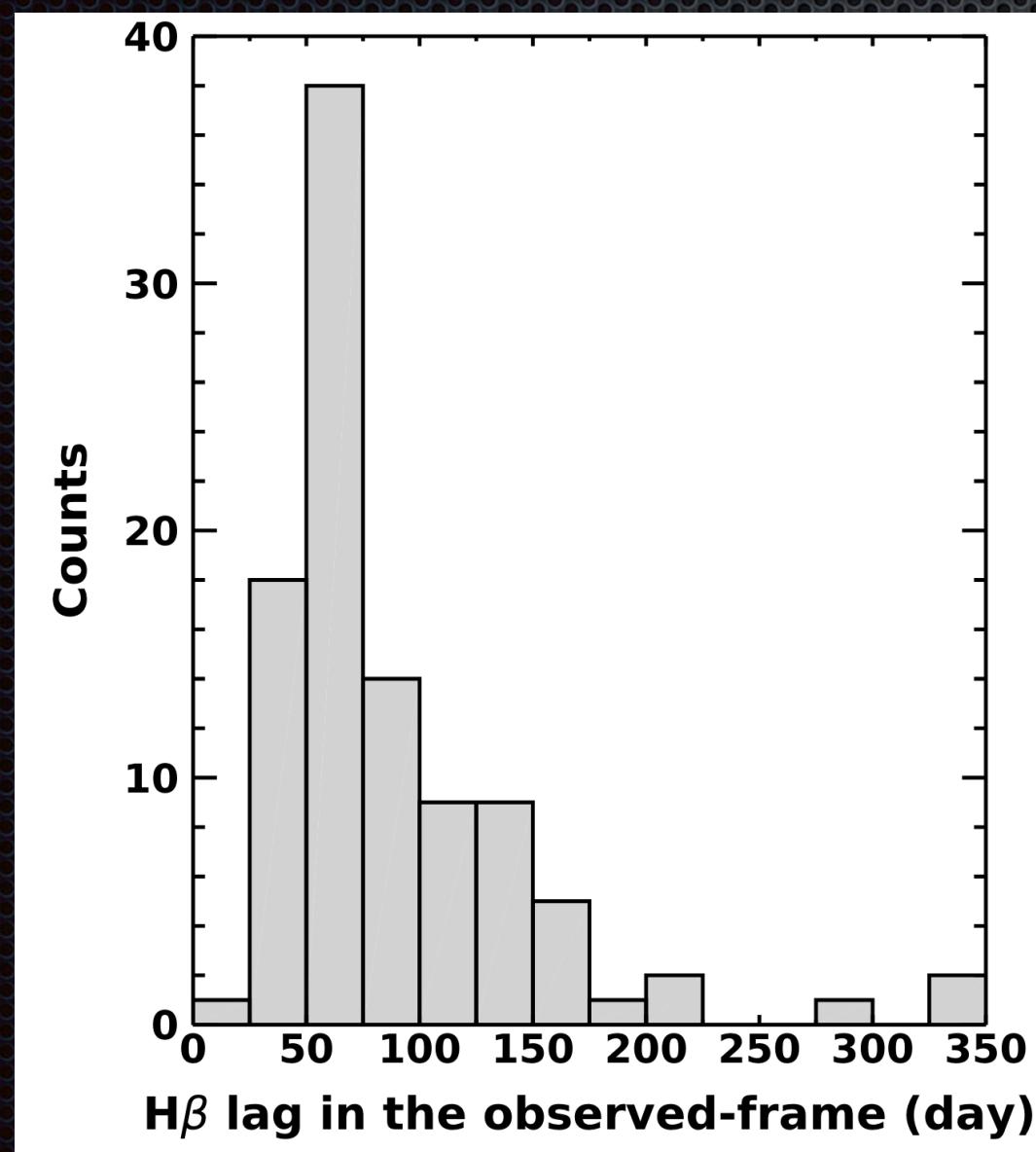


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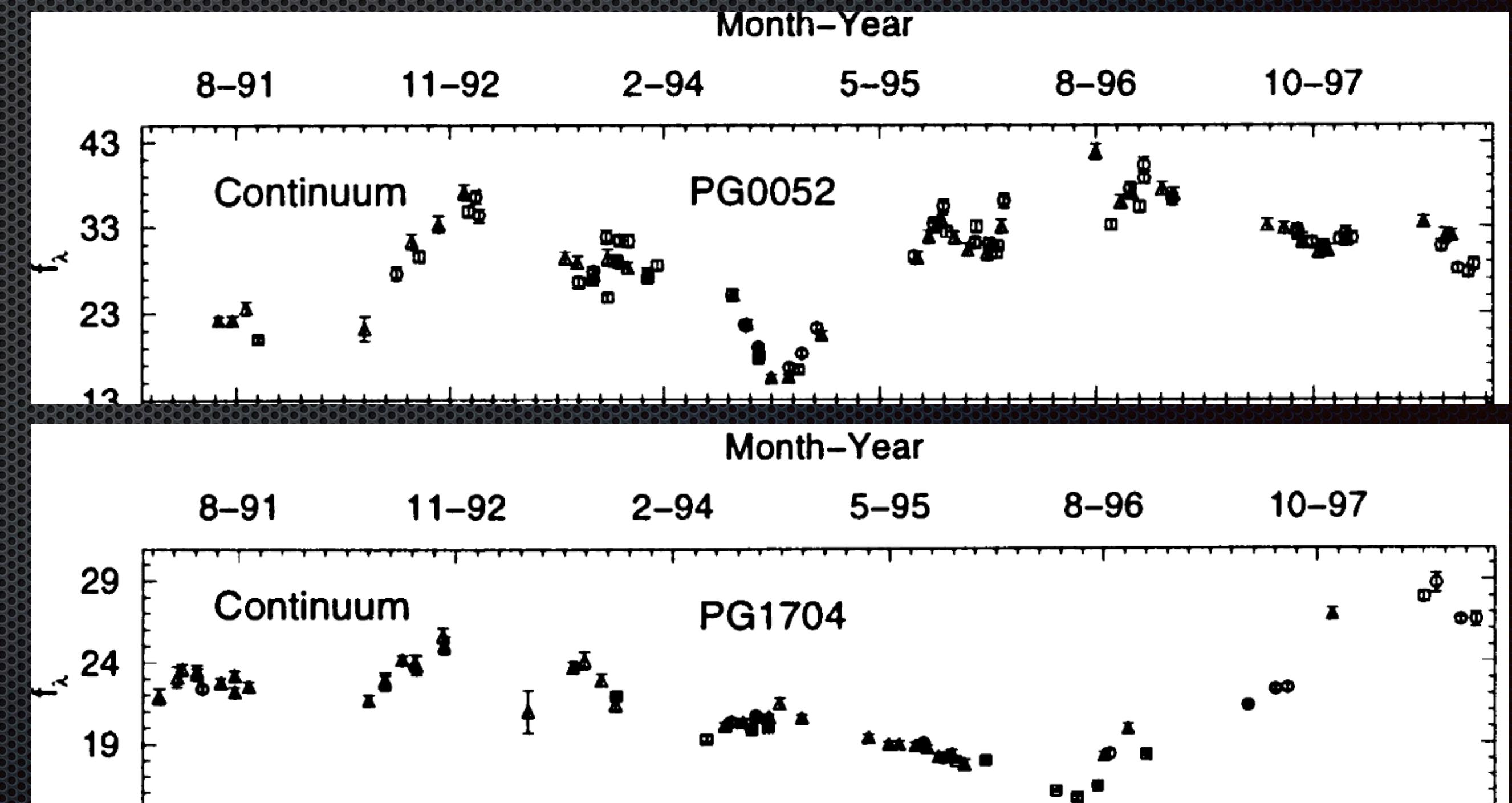
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## Program design (Woo et al. 2019)

From 100 relatively high luminosity AGNs out to  $z \sim 0.5$



Woo et al. (2019)

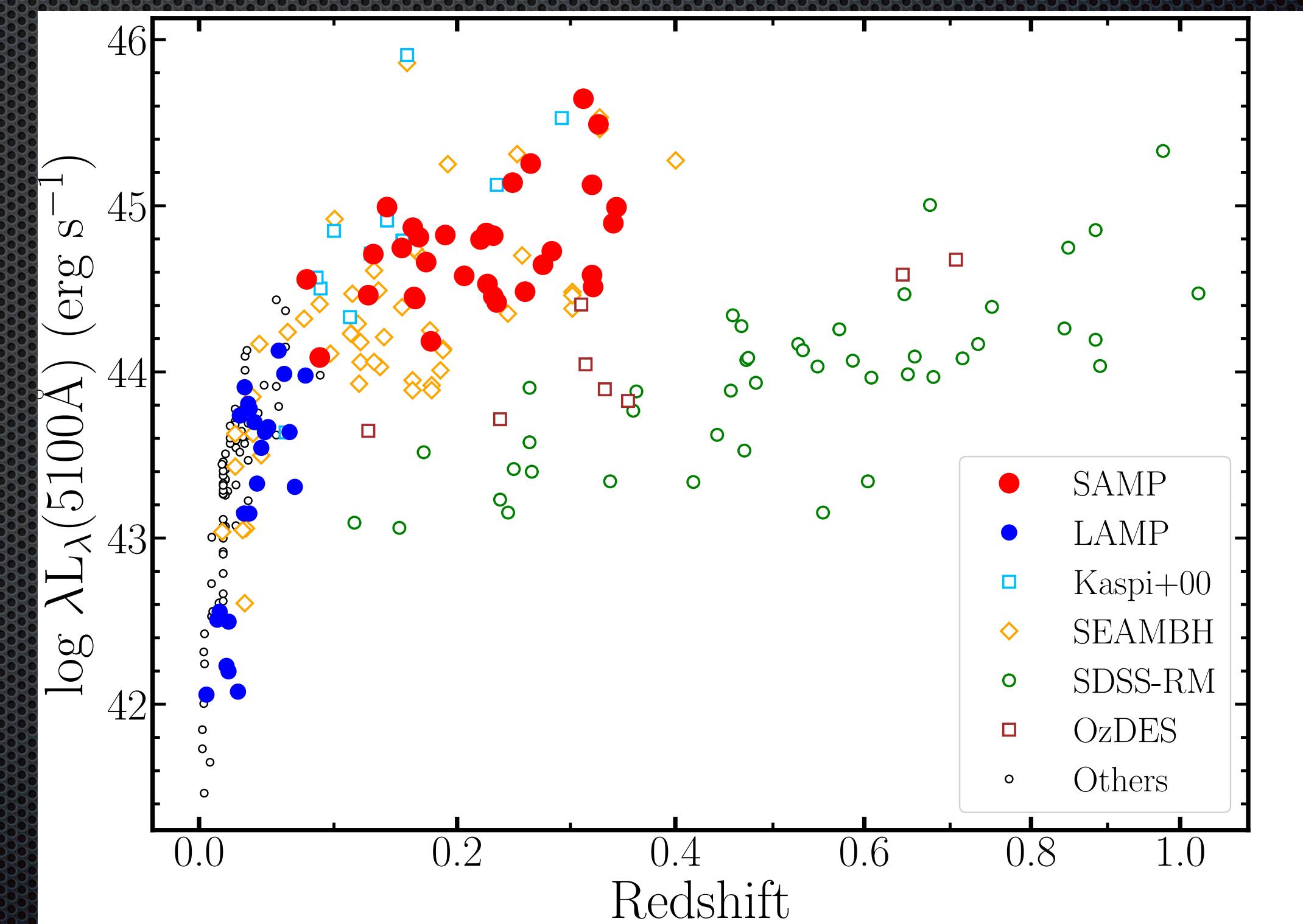


Kaspi et al. (2000)

# SAMP final sample

We select **32** objects with large variability as final sample

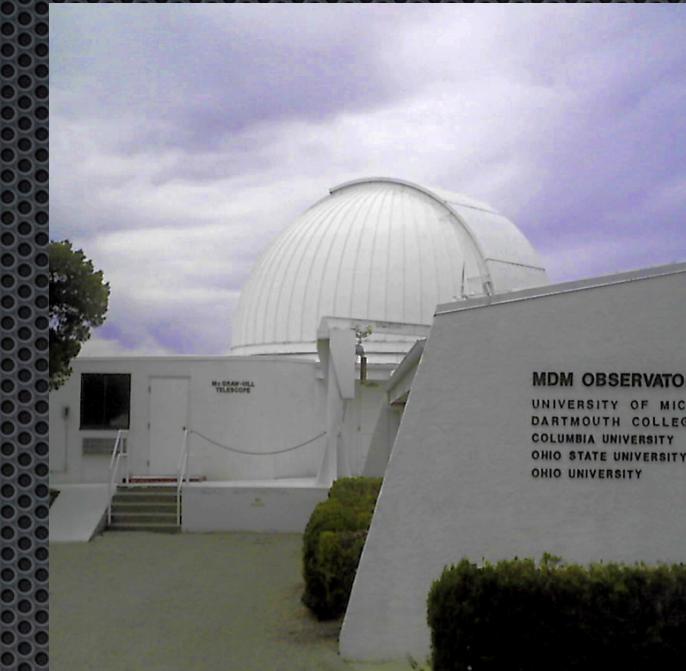
- Luminosity range:
  - $L_{5100} = 10^{44.0\sim45.6}$  erg s<sup>-1</sup>
- Redshift range:
  - 0.08 ~ 0.37
- Most have strong [O III]



# SAMP observation

## Statistics:

- Six-year baseline
- Photometry:
  - cadence: 3-5 days
  - Two bands (B, V) taken
- Spectroscopy:
  - cadence: 15-20 days
  - High SNR for single-epoch spectrum



MDM 1.3m



LOAO 1m



Lick 1m

LCOGT

DOAO

## Spectroscopy



Lick Shane 3m



MDM Hiltner 2.4m

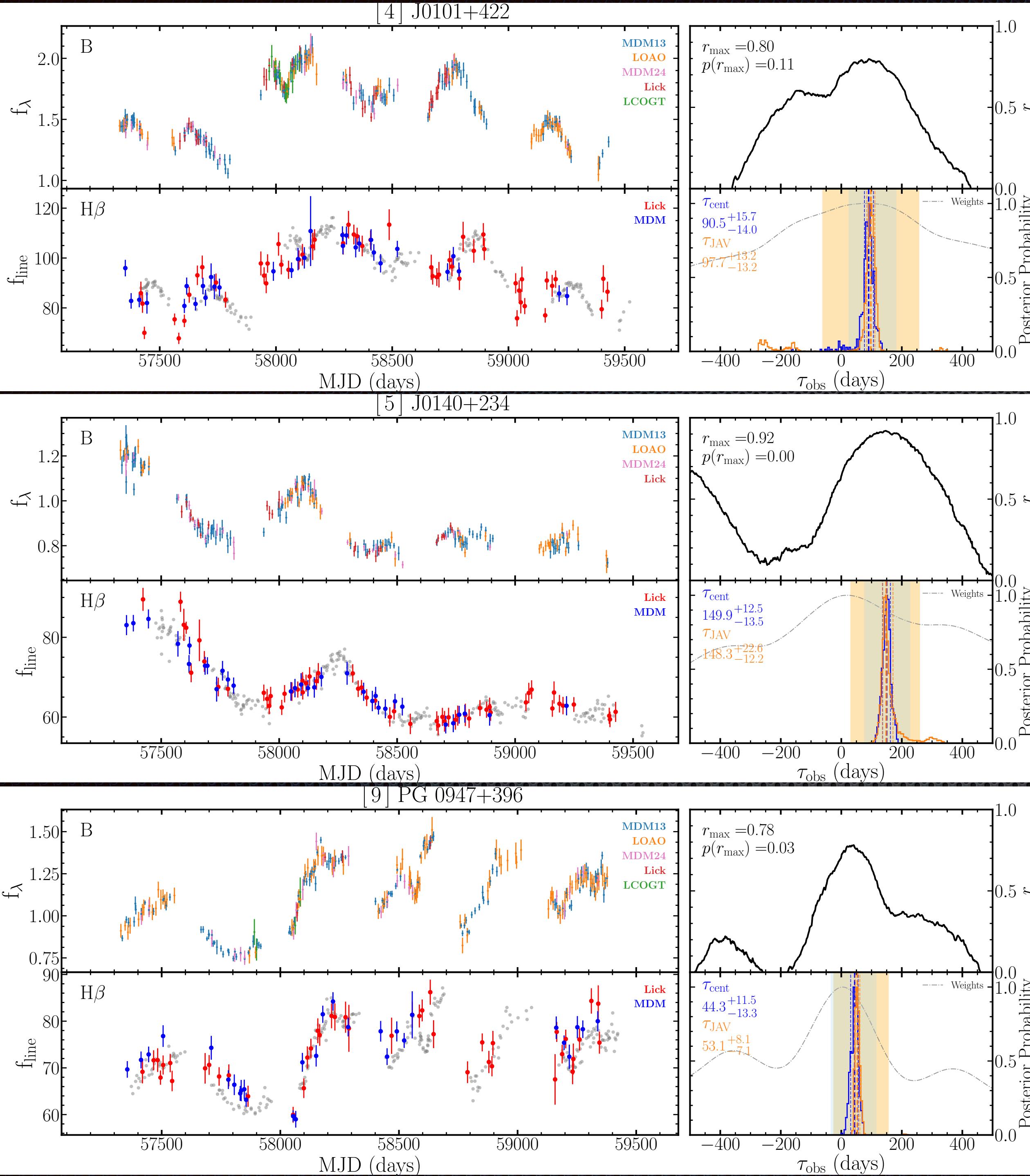
# SAMP collaboration

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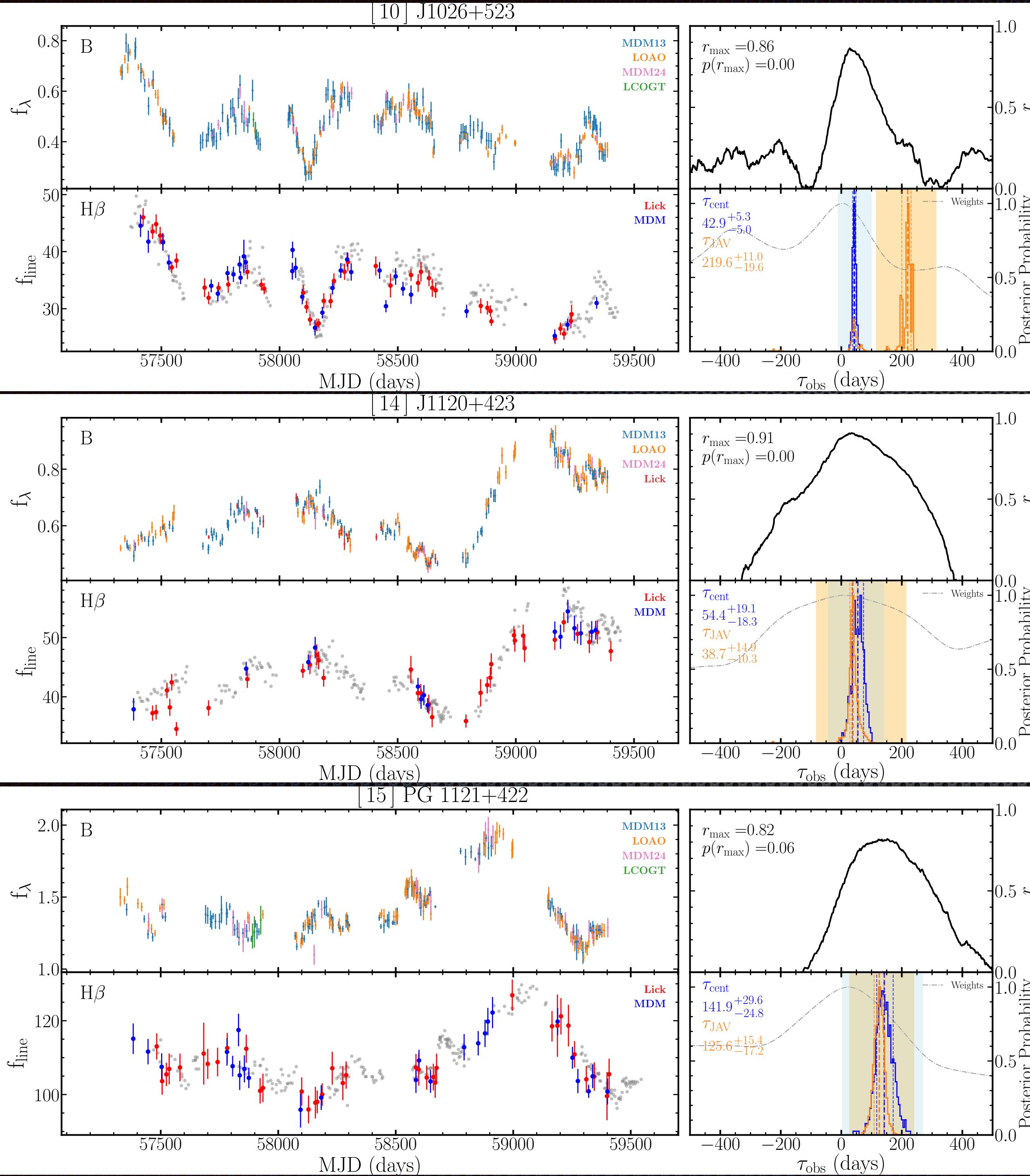
Program PI: Jong-Hak Woo (SNU)

- Main contribution (Co-PI):
- Tommaso Treu (UCLA)
  - Elena Gallo (U-M)
  - Aaron Barth (UCI)
  - Vardha N. Bennert (Car Poly)

Other main contribution: Shu Wang, Donghoon Son, Suvendu Rakshit (ARIES), Hojin Cho, Edmund Hodges-Kluck (U-M), Vivian U (UCI), Jaejin Shin (KASI), Amit Kumar Mandal, Changseok Kim, Minjin Kim (KNU), Tae-Woo Kim, Hengxiao Guo (SHAO), and all participated observers



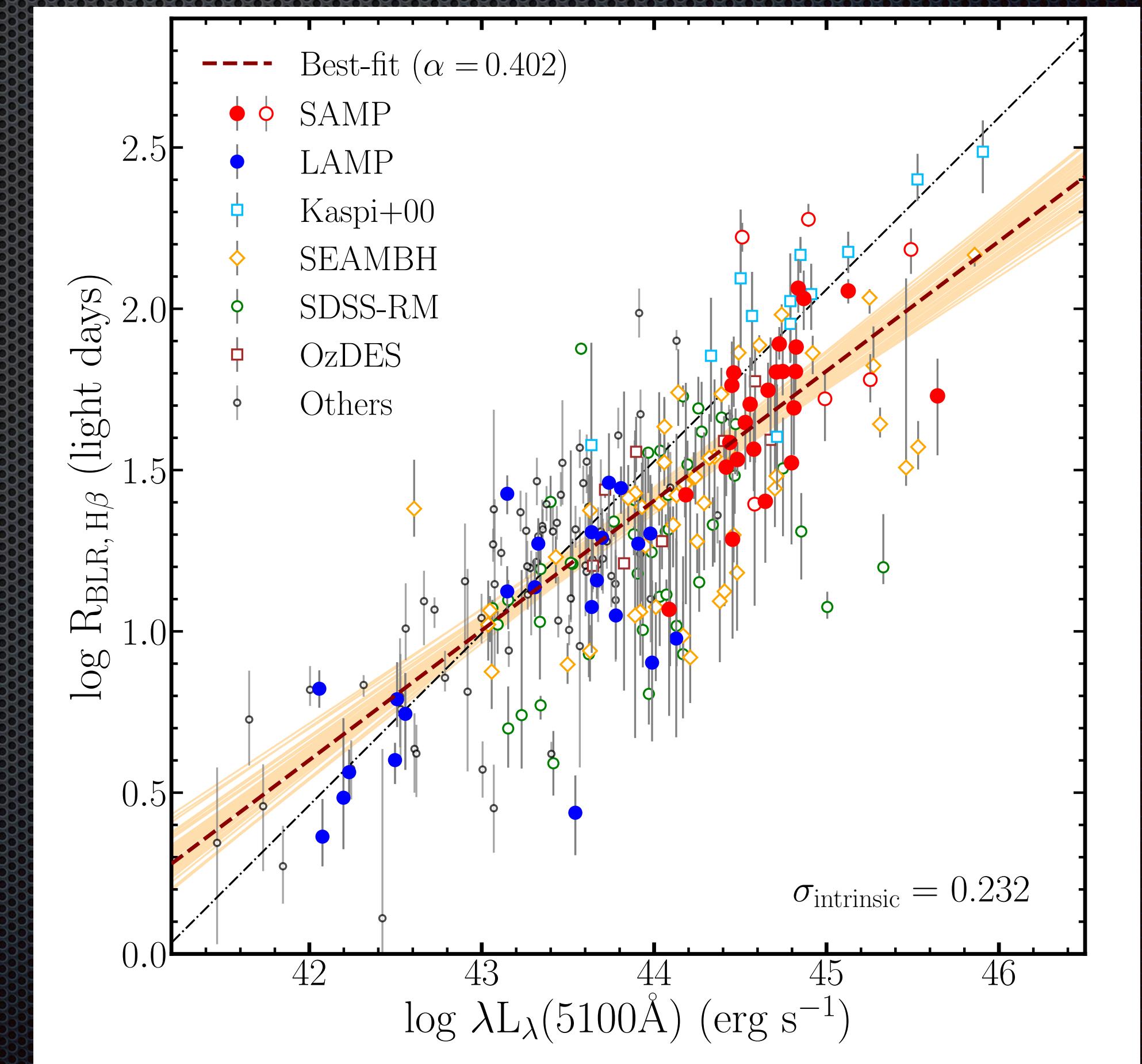
- Lag measured using **ICCF** and **JAVELIN**
- Select  $r_{\text{max}} > 0.6$ ;  $p$ -value  $< 0.2$ ;  $f_{\text{peak}} > 0.6$  objects as reliable sample
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# R—L relation from SAMP

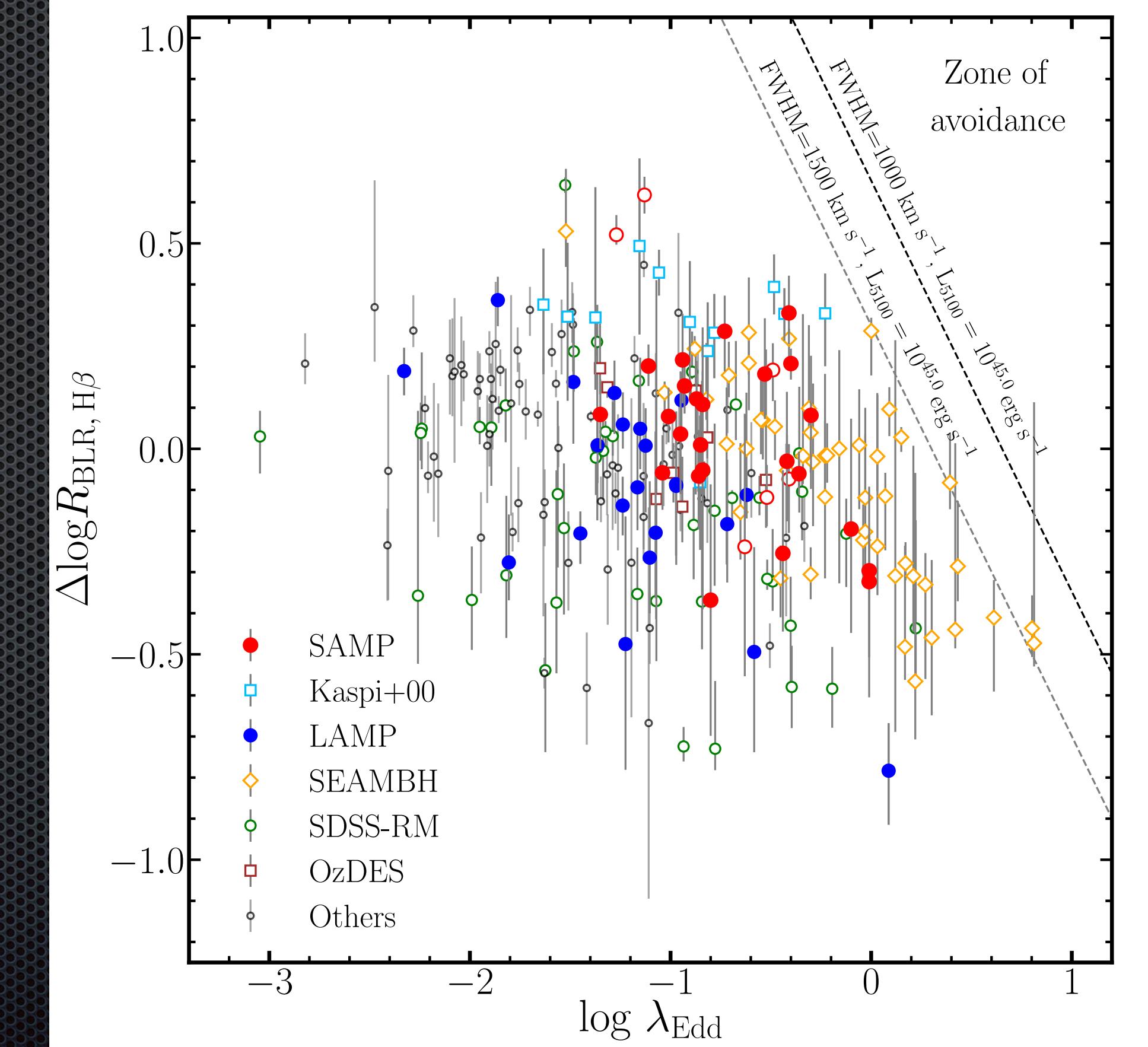
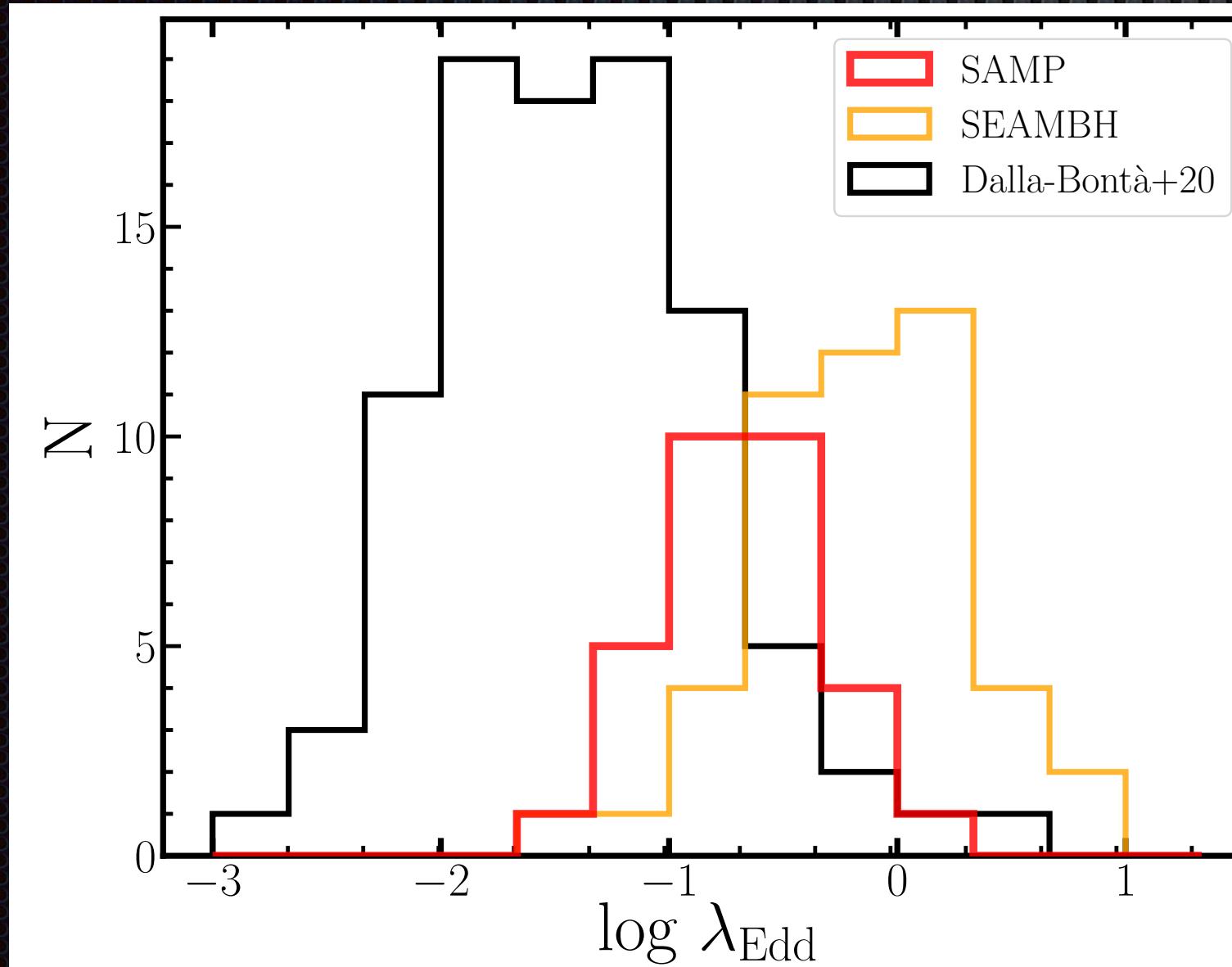
1. SAMP high-luminosity AGNs are located *beneath* the expectation from Bentz et al. relation.
2. The best-fit **slope is around 0.4**.



Woo et al. (2023), submitted

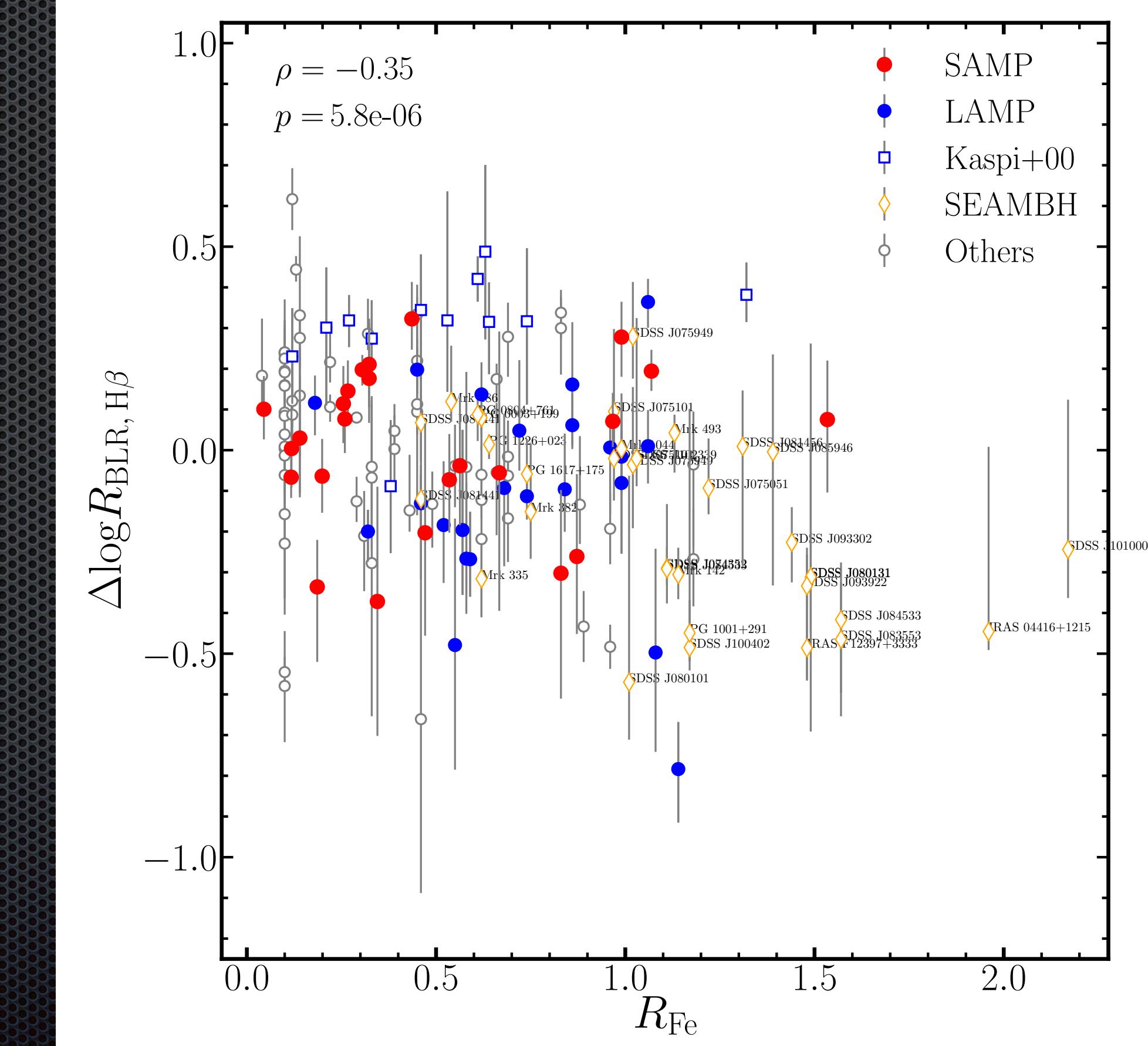
# Deviation vs. Eddington ratio ( $\lambda_{\text{Edd}}$ )

SAMP has moderate  $\lambda_{\text{Edd}}$

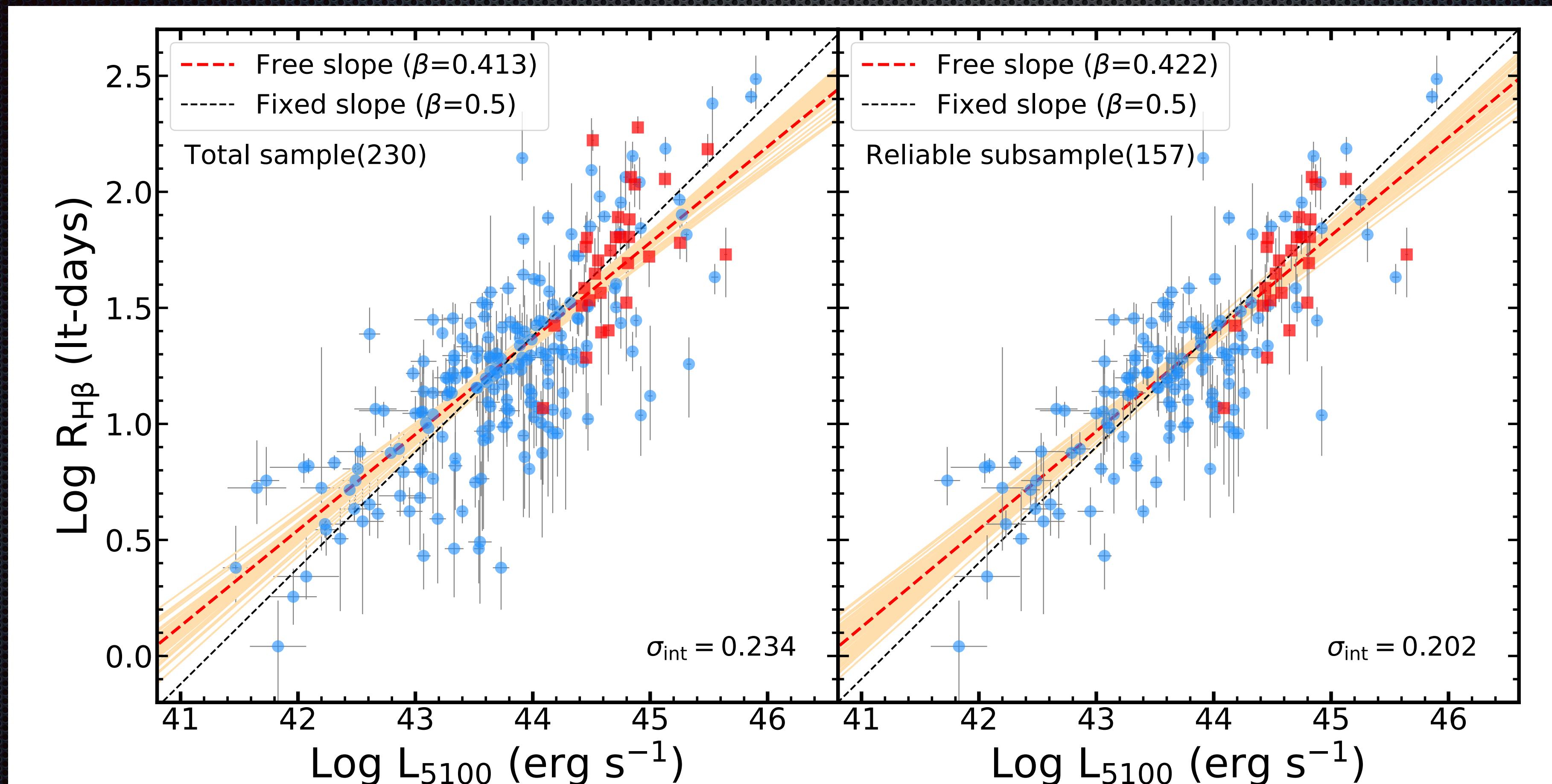


# Deviation vs. $R_{\text{Fe}}$

1. There is no trend **within SAMP**
2. Combining with historical measurement, the **trend against  $R_{\text{Fe}}$  is present but not very strong**



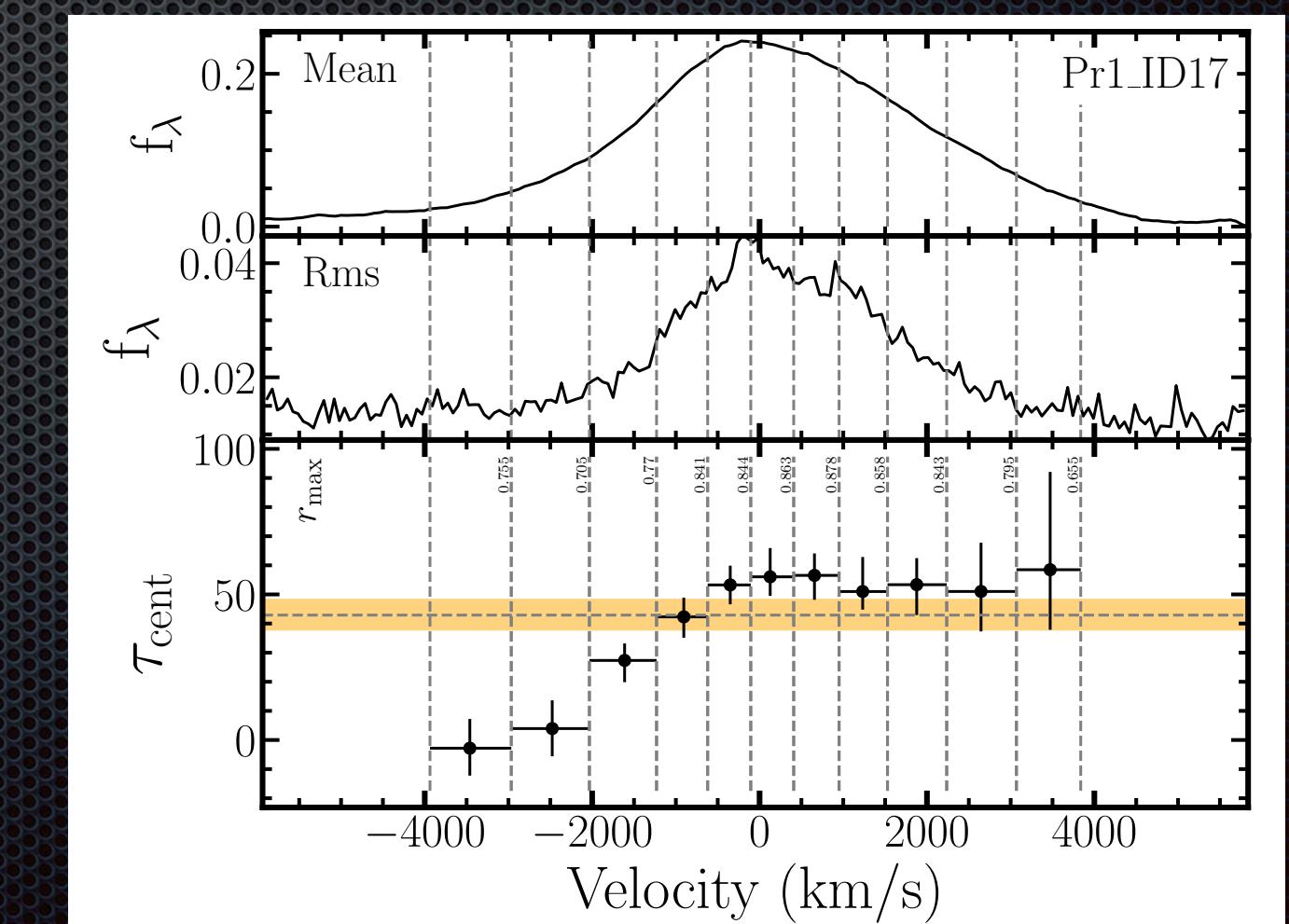
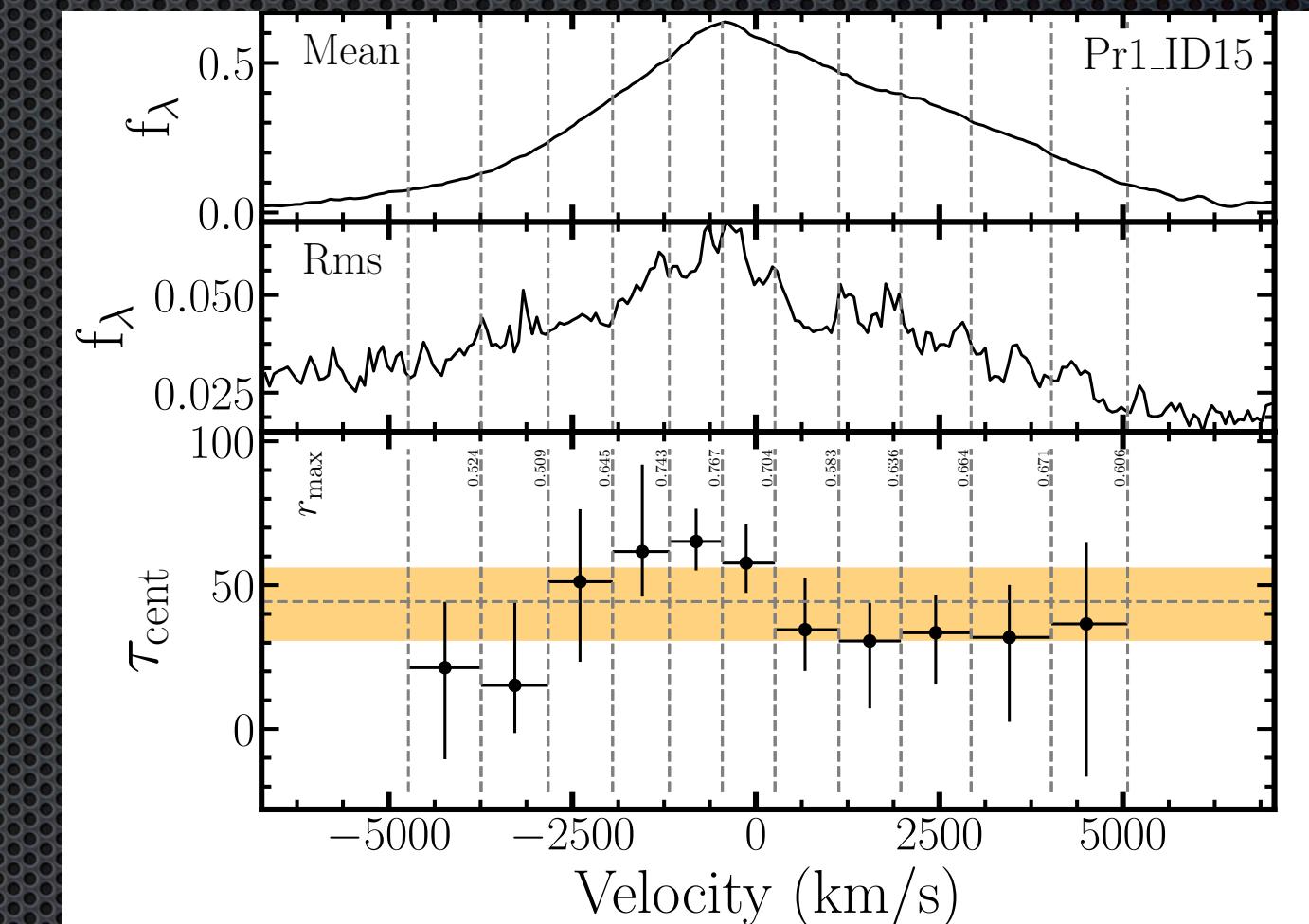
# Use uniform lag measurement



# What about BLR kinematics?

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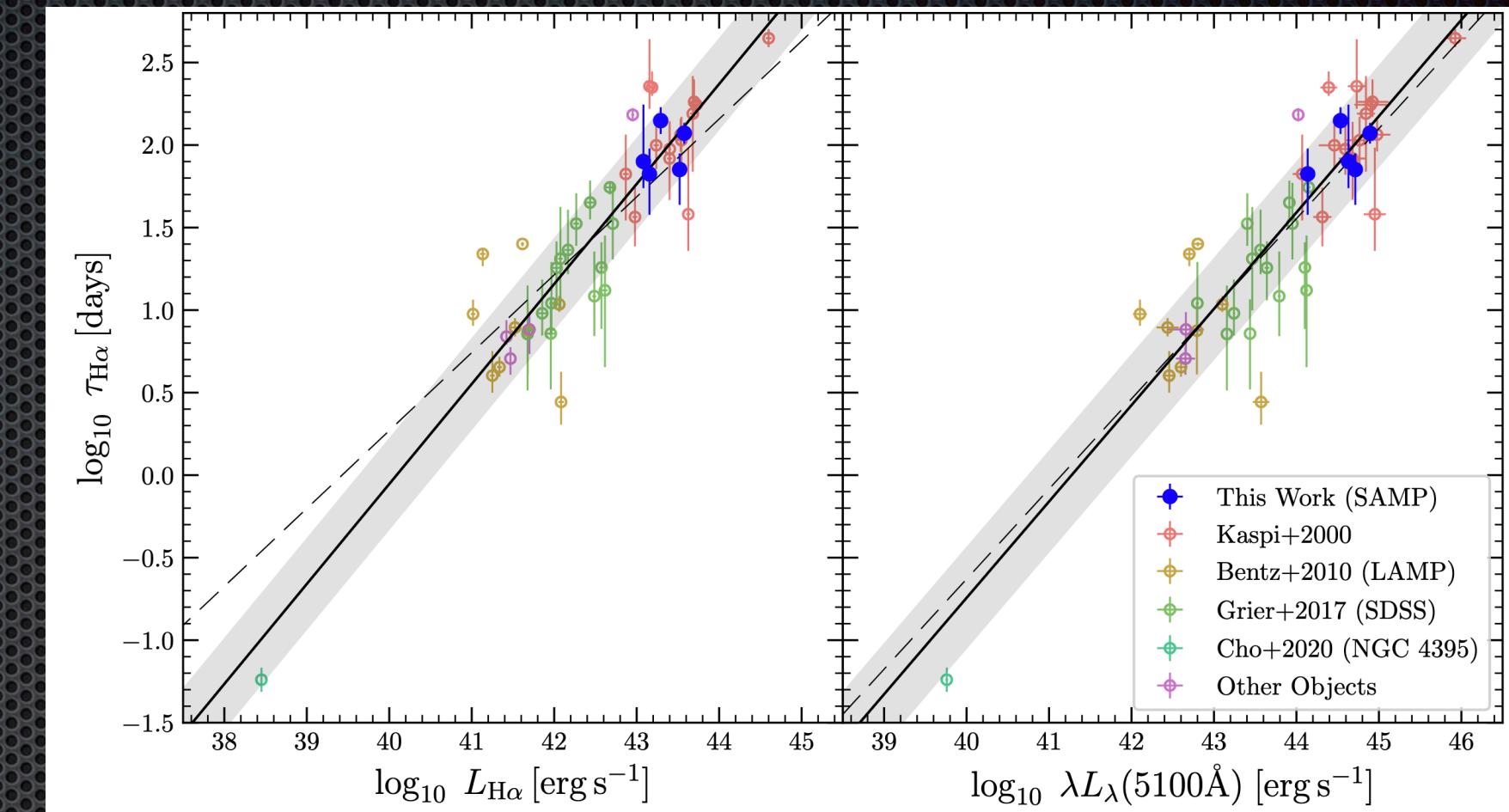
- $f$  factor is the main uncertainties in RM / SE BH mass
- Velocity Resolved RM



# Other main results

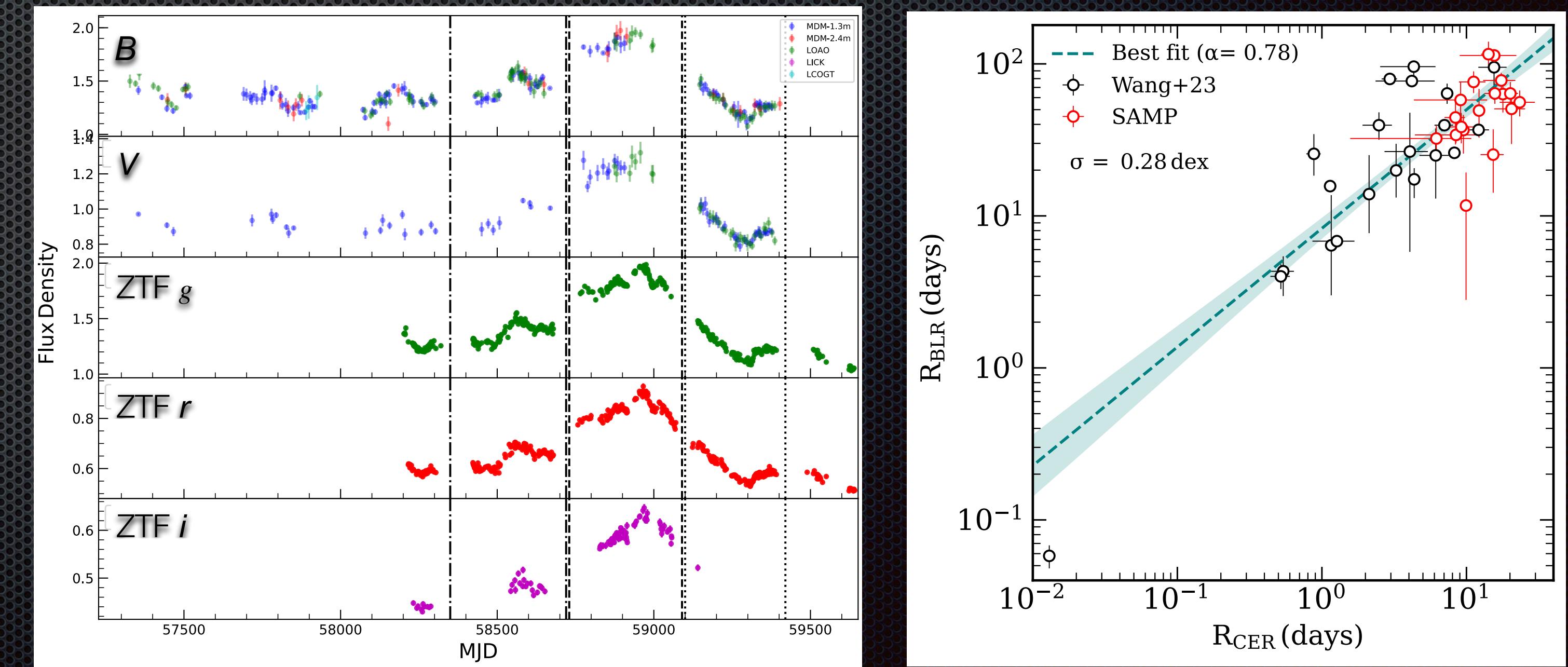
## (1) H $\alpha$ lags and R–L relation

Cho et al. (2023), ApJ, accepted



## (2) continuum RM

Mandal et al. (2023), in preparation



# Summary

1. SAMP is a **6-year** dedicated RM program, aiming to constrain the high-luminosity end of R—L relation. (Woo et al. 2019)
2. We monitored **32 moderate to high-luminosity AGNs**, and successfully measured **24 reliable lags** (Woo et al. 2023)
3. These high-luminosity AGNs are located ***beneath*** the expectation from Bentz et al. relation. The best-fit **slope is around 0.4**. An uniform lag analysis is needed for understanding the relation between deviation and AGN parameters.
4. Velocity-resolved lags are measured for ~15 objects (Wang et al. 2023b, in preparation)

