

# Large Area Optical Spectroscopic Surveys: Science with 4MOST

## Expanding the 4MOST AGN Science case

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# 1. Reverberation Mapping as the virial mass calibrator

- [reverberation mapping \(RM\)](#) has proven to be a viable technique to measure the BLR size **R** and the widths of the emission lines **FWHM** which gives the mass **M** of the black hole
- RM measurements are calibrators for deriving [BH masses](#)

$$M = \frac{FWHM^2 \cdot R}{G}$$

- an important results of RM studies is the discovery of a [tight R-L relation](#)
- measuring L and FWHM gives M
- pairs of lines and luminosities:

$$\begin{array}{ll} H\alpha, H\beta & \cup L_{5100} \\ MgII & \cup L_{3000} \\ CIV & \cup L_{1350} \end{array}$$

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## Creating the 4MOST RM calibration database

- black hole masses are calibrated for a sample of only 40 AGNs based on  $H\beta$ ,  $H\alpha$  lines
- other mass estimators are unrepresentative for high L and high z AGN (e.g. Richards<sup>2011</sup>)
- **a RM calibration database for  $z > 0.4$  is required**, i.e.
  - we request multiple (one) field visits, e.g. similar to LMC,SMC multiple field visits (dPM, O.S.)
  - .AND. ATLAS survey T. Shanks
- RM templates can be created with e.g. CIV 1549, CIII] 1908, Mg II 2798 lines with 4MOST
- after calibrating AGN BH masses with rest-frame UV lines, reliable virial BH mass estimators will become available for  $z > 0.4$

**4MOST will create calibrated virial black hole estimators up to large redshifts**

**we expect no negative impact on the DRS science cases from 4FS simulations**

# Black Hole Mass Estimators Uncertainties

$$M_m = 3.37 \cdot \left( \frac{L_{3000}}{10^{44} \text{ erg s}^{-1}} \right)^{0.47} \cdot \left( \frac{FWHM_{MgII}}{\text{km s}^{-1}} \right)^2 M_{sun}$$

$$M_K = 2.04 \cdot \left( \frac{L_{3000}}{10^{44} \text{ erg s}^{-1}} \right)^{0.88} \cdot \left( \frac{FWHM_{MgII}}{\text{km s}^{-1}} \right)^2 M_{sun}$$

$$M_{Sa} = 10^{7.7} \left( \frac{L_{5100}}{10^{44} \text{ erg s}^{-1}} \right)^{0.50} \cdot \left( \frac{FWHM_{MgII}}{3000 \text{ km s}^{-1}} \right)^2 M_{sun}$$

$$M_{G\beta} = 3.6 \cdot 10^6 \left( \frac{L_{H\beta}}{10^{42} \text{ erg s}^{-1}} \right)^{0.56} \cdot \left( \frac{FWHM_{H\beta}}{1000 \text{ km s}^{-1}} \right)^2 M_{sun}$$

$$M_{V\beta} = 10^{6.67} \left( \frac{L_{H\beta}}{10^{42} \text{ erg s}^{-1}} \right)^{0.63} \cdot \left( \frac{FWHM_{H\beta}}{1000 \text{ km s}^{-1}} \right)^2 M_{sun}$$

$$M_{Sh} = 10^{7.7} \left( \frac{L_{5100}}{10^{44} \text{ erg s}^{-1}} \right)^{0.50} \cdot \left( \frac{FWHM_{H\beta}}{3000 \text{ km s}^{-1}} \right)^2 M_{sun}$$

$$M_{G51} = 4.4 \cdot 10^6 \left( \frac{L_{5100}}{10^{44} \text{ erg s}^{-1}} \right)^{0.64} \cdot \left( \frac{FWHM_{H\beta}}{1000 \text{ km s}^{-1}} \right)^2 M_{sun}$$

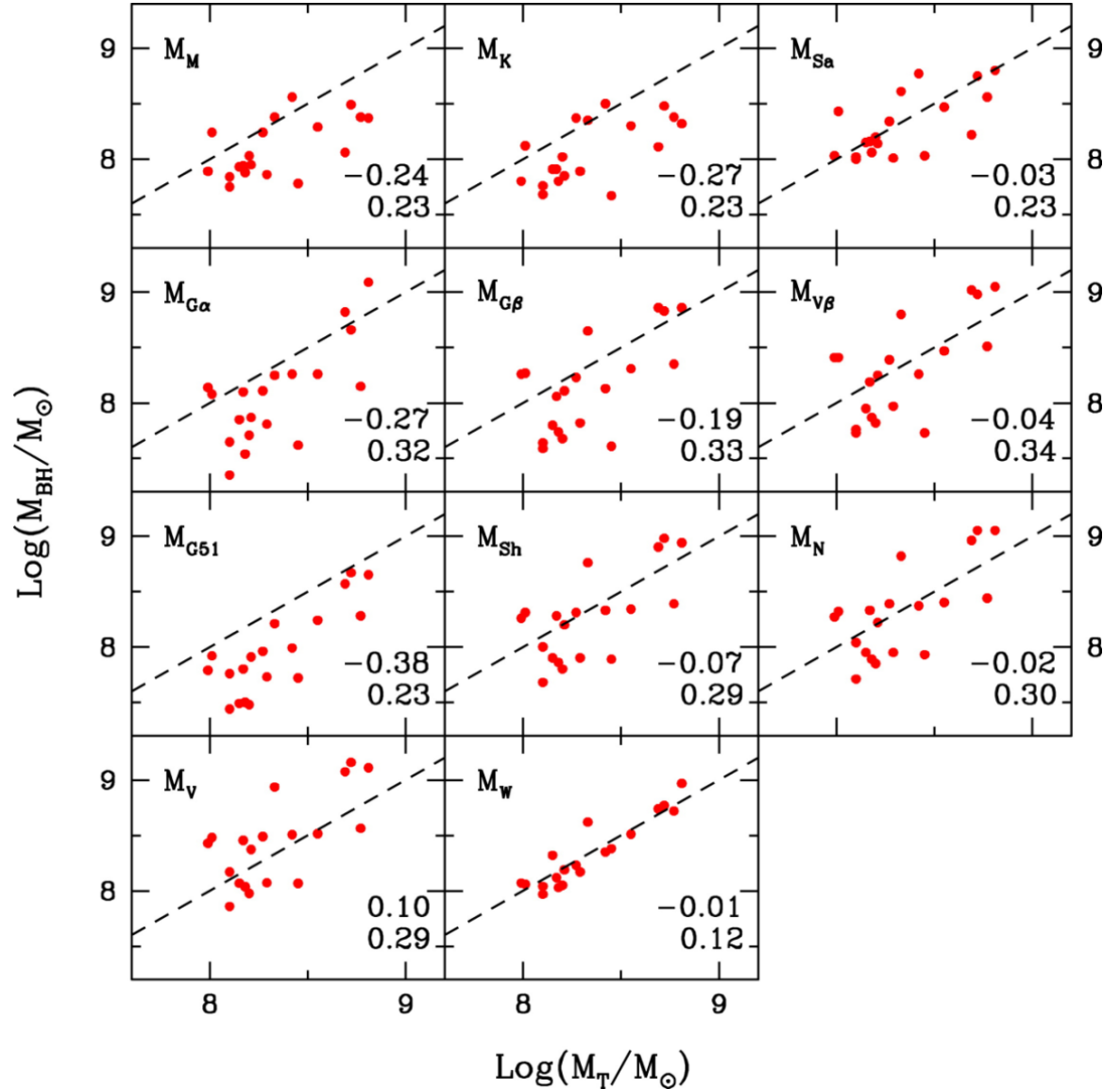
$$M_V = 10^{6.9} \left( \frac{L_{5100}}{10^{46} \text{ erg s}^{-1}} \right)^{0.50} \cdot \left( \frac{FWHM_{H\beta}}{1000 \text{ km s}^{-1}} \right)^2 M_{sun}$$

$$M_N = 1.05 \cdot 10^8 \left( \frac{L_{5100}}{10^{46} \text{ erg s}^{-1}} \right)^{0.50} \cdot \left( \frac{FWHM_{H\beta}}{1000 \text{ km s}^{-1}} \right)^2 M_{sun}$$

$$M_{G\alpha} = 2.0 \cdot 10^6 \left( \frac{L_{H\alpha}}{10^{42} \text{ erg s}^{-1}} \right)^{0.55} \cdot \left( \frac{FWHM_{H\alpha}}{1000 \text{ km s}^{-1}} \right)^{2.06} M_{sun}$$

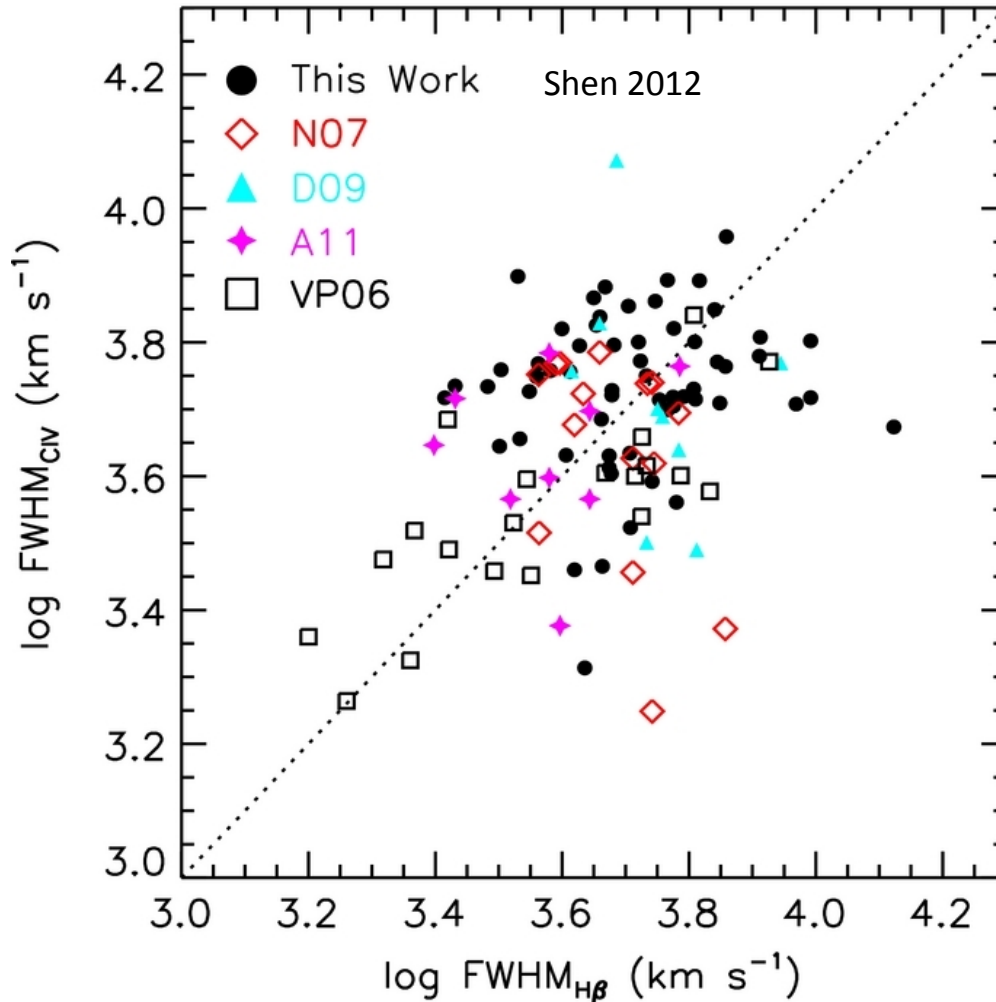
$$M_W = 2.15 \cdot 10^8 \left( \frac{L_{5100}}{10^{44} \text{ erg s}^{-1}} \right)^{0.52} \cdot \left( \frac{\sigma_{H\beta}}{3000 \text{ km s}^{-1}} \right)^2 M_{sun}$$

$$M_T = 10^{8.58} \left( \frac{L_{5100}}{10^{44} \text{ erg s}^{-1}} \right)^{0.52} \cdot \left( \frac{\sigma_{H\beta}}{3000 \text{ km s}^{-1}} \right)^2 M_{sun}$$



The average difference  $\log M_{BH} - \log M_T$  and rms scatter in

## Line Width Correlations



comparison between H $\beta$  and C IV FWHM

only for the low redshift and low-luminosity sample VP06 there is a significant correlation

**C IV is poorly correlated with H $\beta$ , suggesting different BLRs for both lines**

**Reverberation Mapping calibration required to obtain precise virial BH masses**

## The 4MOST virial black hole mass data base

- it will be of great interest to derive calibrated virial masses from different lines with 4MOST
- combining AGN black hole masses with eROSITA spectra and MW data then subsequently yields
  - Eddington ratios
  - the amount of Comptonization
  - the [solid angle](#) of [the reflector](#)
  - the Compton  $\gamma$  parameters

this further allows to investigate in great detail the role of feedback in a cosmological context

**4MOST will create a large and precise AGN mass data base**

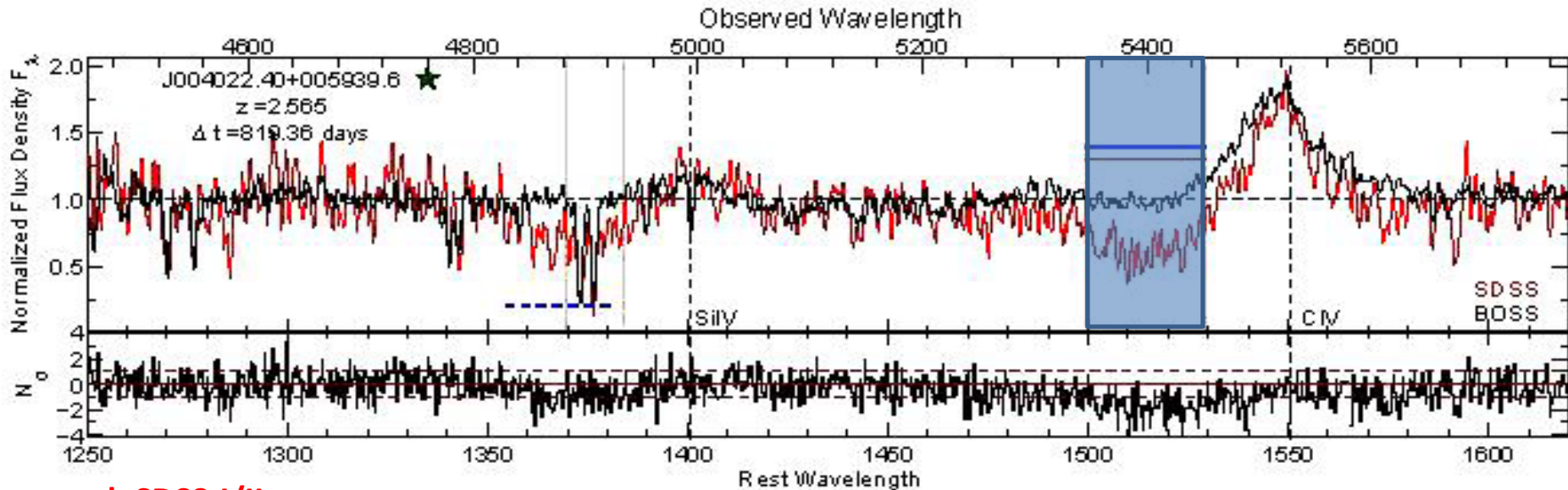
## 2. AGN outflows and time-domain studies

- intrinsic absorption lines in quasar spectra are often produced by outflowing winds launched from the accretion disc
- the absorption lines appear in AGN spectra as absorption lines (intrinsic narrow, mini-BAL, BALs)
- absorption lines are of importance for two main reasons
  - disc accretion require significant mass ejection from expulsion of angular momentum
  - winds produce feedback into galaxies, regulating star formation and further accretion
- absorption line **disappearance** provides information on the
  - disc-wind rotation and
  - changes in the shielding gas

**absorption line variability studies with 4MOST opens a new window to map AGN outflows as a function of time, redshift and luminosity**

# SDSS-I/II/III spectra of quasars with disappearing BAL troughs

- SDSS-I/II and SDSS-III observations revealed for the first time disappeared and disappearing C IV BAL



red: SDSS-I/II

black: SDSS-3 (BOSS)

BALs are shown as shaded areas

solid blue: disappeared BAL trough

- as the observation span about 3 years with 2 per cent disappeared and 3 per cent disappearing troughs this suggests that BAL absorbers spend about a century along our line of sight
- frequency of absorption line variability and timescales might be different in dependence of  $z$  and  $L$



## Extending absorption line variability studies with 4MOST

- 4 MOST will provide absorption line measurements for about 1 million AGNs, extending BAL studies in luminous quasars
- this includes intrinsic narrow absorption lines, mini-BALs and BALs over [a large L and z range](#)
- expect two epochs of 4MOST spectra per target plus multi-epoch AGN samples  
we might expect multiple field visits from the LMC,SMC proposal (e.g. dPM O.S.)
- this gives absorption line variability and timescale measurements as a function of  $z$  and  $L$

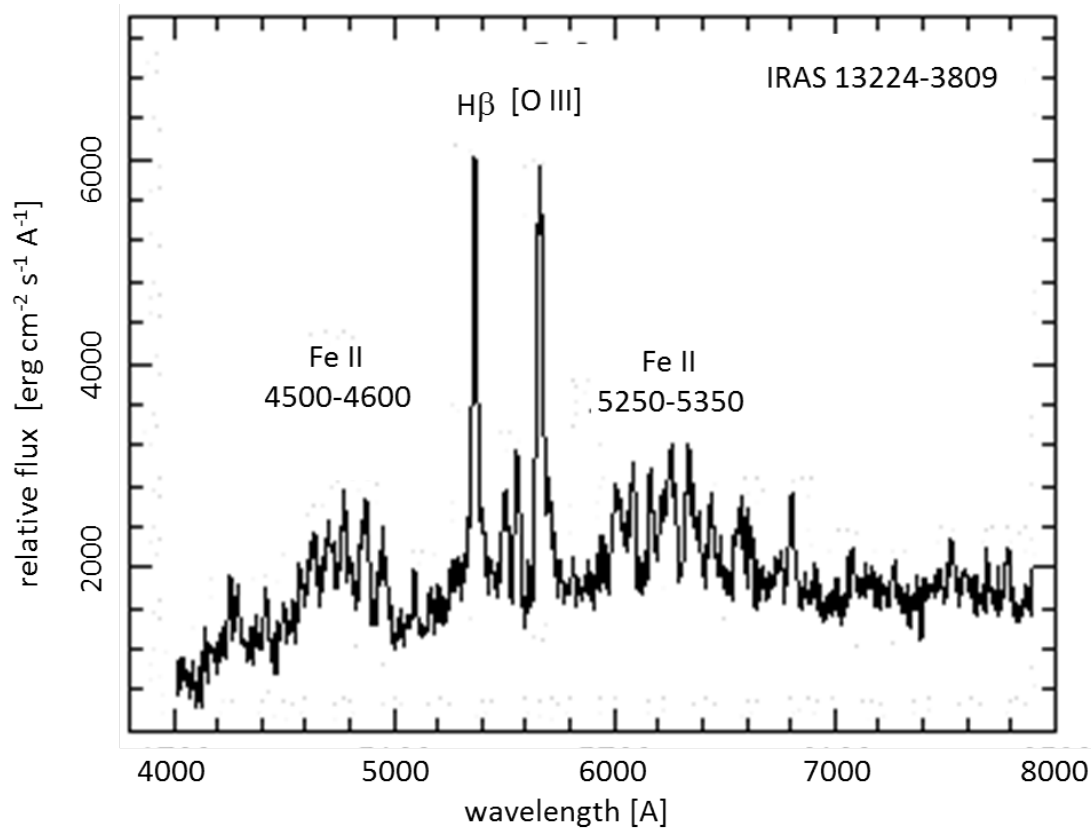
**4MOST will allow discovering possible origins of the AGN disc-wind rotation, changes in shielding gas and outflowing wind parameters and kinematics**

### 3. Fe II multiplet line emission measurements – high resolution science

- the presence of Fe II emission indicates densities of the emitting regions larger than  $n > 10^9 \text{ cm}^{-3}$ , such densities are only present in the accretion disc or the BLR clouds (Baschek 1963, Wampler 1987)
- the Fe II spectrum shows more than 1000 lines
- X-ray photons are required to ionize such dense region from Fe I to Fe II
- $T < 40000 \text{ K}$
- the intensity of the Fe II emission reaches that of the strongest line, the Ly  $\alpha$  line

**the intensity of Fe II can presently not be explained with photoionisation models**

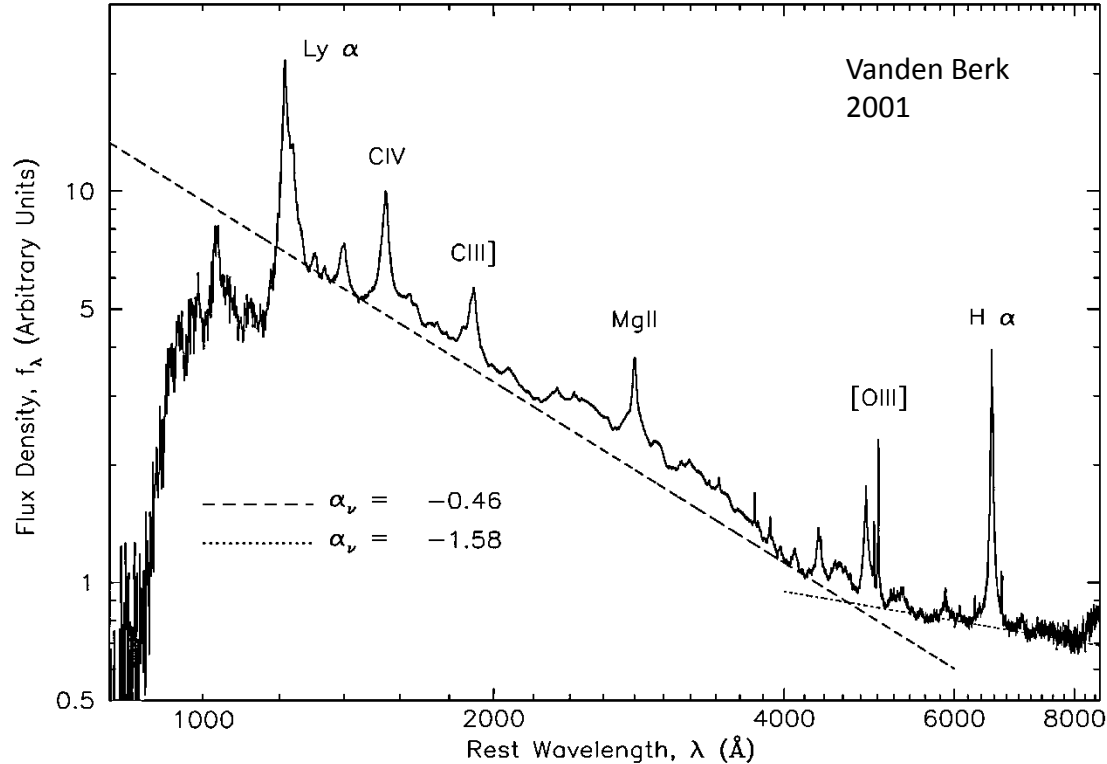
# Fe II multiplet measurements with 4MOST



- systematic analysis of the Fe II blended multiplet emission lines from the UV to the Optical
- creating a large data base of very precise Fe II multiplet parameters, e.g. the EW, line strength, line shifts

**eROSITA X-ray spectra and 4MOST Fe II templates in z and L shells will address the Fe II problem**

## 4. Quasar composite spectra



- composite quasar spectra using a homogeneous data set of over 2200 spectra from SDSS
- $z = (0.044, 4.789)$ ,  $R=1800$

**4MOST allows to create a large data base of X-ray selected rest-frame UV and optical EW values and possible relations to redshift and mass extending QSO composite spectra produced by SDSS and 2df**

## **4MOST will build upon present AGN research and will add new multi-epoch time-domain science**

the AGN DRS science cases described by A. Merloni can be expanded by

calibrated black hole mass estimators

time-dependent absorption line variability studies

understanding the Fe II multiplet emission

AGN composite spectra and multi-epoch comparisons