

# Multi-Wavelength Studies of Novae: Thermal Emission

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## This is now!



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### RS Oph: The poster child





#### V745 Sco: The fastest







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# High-amplitude variability - zoom





### SSS turn-on and -off



This shows Swift XRT count rate light-curves for five novae with a super-soft phase for which the start and stop times can be identified. The earliest start time yet measured is ~4 days after optical discovery, lasting only 2 days.

The turn-on time provides information about the mass of the ejected shell. Generally, the quicker the start of the SSS, the smaller the mass ejected, though velocity is also important. This will be related to the WD mass.





## **Spectral Fitting**











## **HR-CR** comparison





## X-ray and UV variability



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