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Multiwavelength Observations of Accretion in Low-Mass X-ray Binary Systems

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This work is intended to provide an introduction to multiwavelength observations of low-mass X-ray binaries and the techniques used to analyze and interpret their data. The focus will primarily be on ultraviolet, optical, and infrared observations and their connections to other wavelengths. The topics covered include: outbursts of soft X-ray transients, accretion disk spectral energy distributions, orbital lightcurves in luminous and quiescent states, super-orbital and suborbital variability, line spectra, system parameter determinations, and echo-mapping and other rapid correlated variability.

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