

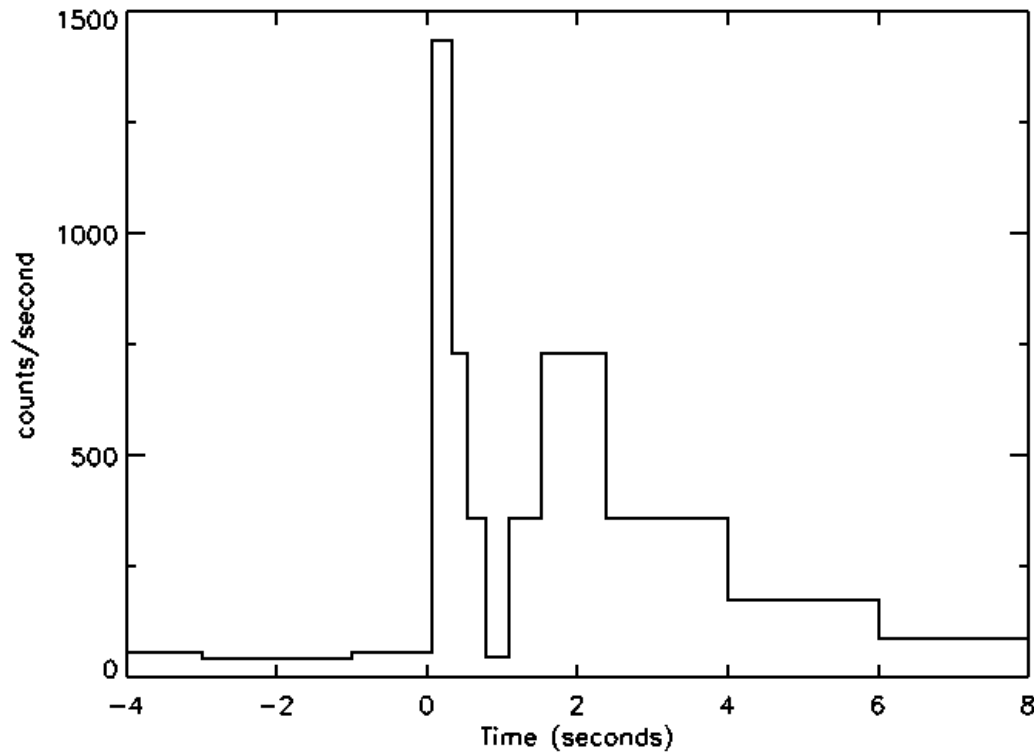
News from the Niels Bohr International Academy

- What is a gamma-ray burst?
- The development of our understanding of the phenomenon illustrated by important events (including very recent results on gravitational waves).

pMC/ percent



GRB670702: The first known burst gamma-ray burst = burst of γ -rays



OBSERVATIONS OF GAMMA-RAY BURSTS OF COSMIC ORIGIN

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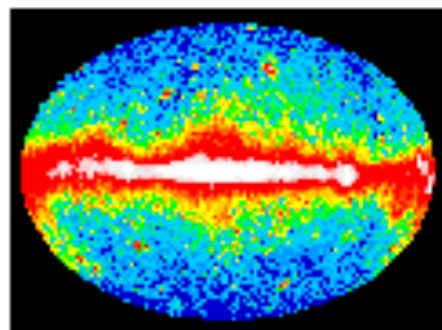
ABSTRACT

Sixteen short bursts of photons in the energy range 0.2-1.5 MeV have been observed between 1969 July and 1972 July using widely separated spacecraft. Burst durations ranged from less than 0.1 s to ~ 30 s, and time-integrated flux densities from $\sim 10^{-5}$ ergs cm^{-2} to $\sim 2 \times 10^{-4}$ ergs cm^{-2} in the energy range given. Significant time structure within bursts was observed. Directional information eliminates the Earth and Sun as sources.

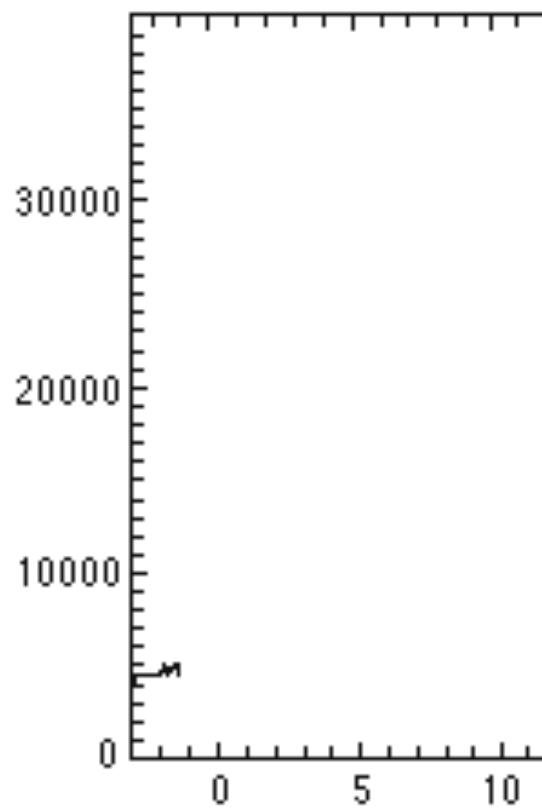
Subject headings: gamma rays—X-rays—variable stars

Conclusions

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Counts per Second



Time in Seconds

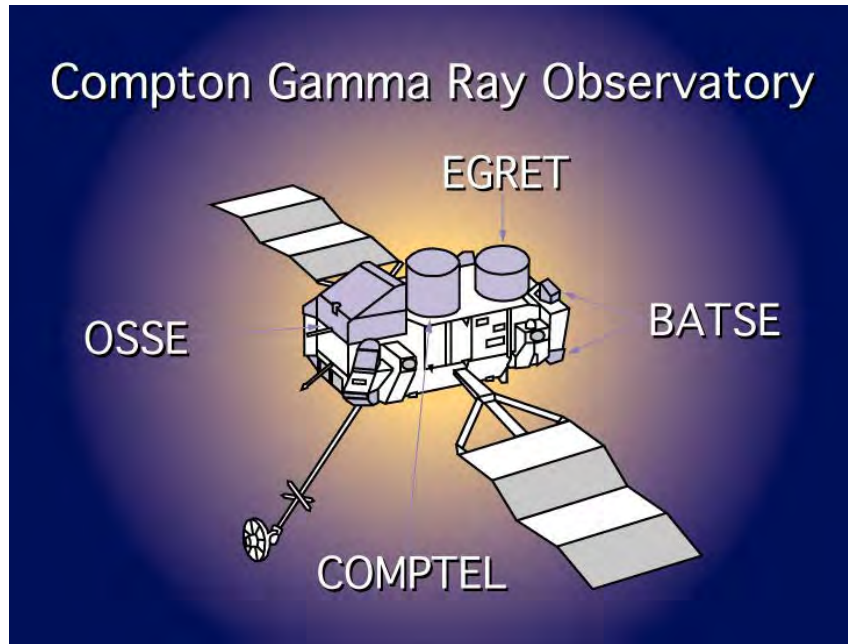
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1.	Colgate	1968	CJPhys, 46, S476	ST		COS	SN shocks stellar surface in distant galaxy
2.	Colgate	1974	ApJ, 187, 333	ST		COS	Type II SN shock brem, inv Comp scat at stellar surface
3.	Stecker et al.	1973	Nature, 245, PS70	ST		DISK	Stellar superflare from nearby star
4.	Stecker et al.	1973	Nature, 245, PS70	WD		DISK	Superflare from nearby WD
5.	Harwit et al.	1973	ApJ, 186, L37	NS	COM	DISK	Relic comet perturbed to collide with old galactic NS
6.	Lamb et al.	1973	Nature, 246, PS52	WD	ST	DISK	Accretion onto WD from flare in companion
7.	Lamb et al.	1973	Nature, 246, PS52	NS	ST	DISK	Accretion onto NS from flare in companion
8.	Lamb et al.	1973	Nature, 246, PS52	BH	ST	DISK	Accretion onto BH from flare in companion
9.	Zwicky	1974	Ap & SS, 28, 111	NS		HALO	NS chunk contained by external pressure escapes, explodes
10.	Grindlay et al.	1974	ApJ, 187, L93	DG		SOL	Relativistic iron dust grain up-scatters solar radiation
11.	Brecher et al.	1974	ApJ, 187, L97	ST		DISK	Directed stellar flare on nearby star
12.	Schlovskii	1974	SovAstron, 18, 390	WD	COM	DISK	Comet from system's cloud strikes WD
13.	Schlovskii	1974	SovAstron, 18, 390	NS	COM	DISK	Comet from system's cloud strikes NS
14.	Bisnovatyi- et al.	1975	Ap & SS, 35, 23	ST		COS	Absorption of neutrino emission from SN in stellar envelope
15.	Bisnovatyi- et al.	1975	Ap & SS, 35, 23	ST	SN	COS	Thermal emission when small star heated by SN shock wave
16.	Bisnovatyi- et al.	1975	Ap & SS, 35, 23	NS		COS	Ejected matter from NS explodes
17.	Pacini et al.	1974	Nature, 251, 399	NS		DISK	NS crustal starquake glitch; should time coincide with GRB
18.	Narlikar et al.	1974	Nature, 251, 590	WH		COS	White hole emits spectrum that softens with time
19.	Tsygan	1975	A&A, 44, 21	NS		HALO	NS corequake excites vibrations, changing E & B fields
20.	Chanmugam	1974	ApJ, 193, L75	WD		DISK	Convection inside WD with high B field produces flare
21.	Prilutski et al.	1975	Ap & SS, 34, 395	AGN	ST	COS	Collapse of supermassive body in nucleus of active galaxy
22.	Narlikar et al.	1975	Ap & SS, 35, 321	WH		COS	WH excites synchrotron emission, inverse Compton scattering
23.	Piran et al.	1975	Nature, 256, 112	BH		DISK	Inv Comp scat deep in ergosphere of fast rotating, accreting BH
24.	Fabian et al.	1976	Ap & SS, 42, 77	NS		DISK	NS crustquake shocks NS surface
25.	Chanmugam	1976	Ap & SS, 42, 83	WD		DISK	Magnetic WD suffers MHD instabilities, flares
26.	Mullan	1976	ApJ, 208, 199	WD		DISK	Thermal radiation from flare near magnetic WD
27.	Woosley et al.	1976	Nature, 263, 101	NS		DISK	Carbon detonation from accreted matter onto NS
28.	Lamb et al.	1977	ApJ, 217, 197	NS		DISK	Mag grating of accret disk around NS causes sudden accretion
29.	Piran et al.	1977	ApJ, 214, 268	BH		DISK	Instability in accretion onto rapidly rotating BH
30.	Dasgupta	1979	Ap & SS, 63, 517	DG		SOL	Charged intergal rel dust grain enters sol sys, breaks up
31.	Tsygan	1980	A&A, 87, 224	WD		DISK	WD surface nuclear burst causes chromospheric flares
32.	Tsygan	1980	A&A, 87, 224	NS		DISK	NS surface nuclear burst causes chromospheric flares
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99.	Pineault	1990	Nature, 345, 233	NS	COM	DISK	Young NS drifts through its own Oort cloud
100.	Trofimenko et al.	1991	Ap & SS, 178, 217	WH		HALO	White hole supernova gave simultaneous burst of g-waves from 1987A
101.	Melia et al.	1991	ApJ, 373, 198	NS		DISK	NS B-field undergoes resistive tearing, accelerates plasma
102.	Holcomb et al.	1991	ApJ, 378, 682	NS		DISK	Alfen waves in non-uniform NS atmosphere accelerate particles
103.	Haensel et al.	1991	ApJ, 375, 209	SS	SS	COS	Strange stars emit binding energy in grav rad and collide
104.	Blaes et al.	1991	ApJ, 381, 210	NS	ISM	DISK	Slow interstellar accretion onto NS, e- capture starquakes result
105.	Frank et al.	1992	ApJ, 385, L45	NS		DISK	Low mass X-ray binary evolve into GRB sites
106.	Woosley et al.	1992	ApJ, 391, 228	NS		HALO	Accreting WD collapsed to NS
107.	Dar et al.	1992	ApJ, 388, 164	WD		COS	WD accretes to form naked NS, GRB, cosmic rays
108.	Hanami	1992	ApJ, 389, L71	NS	PLAN	COS	NS - planet magnetospheric interaction unstable
109.	Meszáros et al.	1992	ApJ, 397, 570	NS	NS	COS	NS - NS collision produces anisotropic fireball
110.	Carter	1992	ApJ, 391, L67	BH	ST	COS	Normal stars tidally disrupted by galactic nucleus BH
111.	Usov	1992	Nature, 357, 472	NS		COS	WD collapses to form NS, B-field brakes NS rotation instantly
112.	Narayan et al.	1992	ApJ, 395, L83	NS	NS	COS	NS - NS merger gives optically thick fireball
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114.	Brainerd	1992	ApJ, 394, L33	AGN	JET	COS	Synchrotron emission from AGN jets
115.	Meszáros et al.	1992	MNRAS, 257, 29P	BH	NS	COS	BH-NS have neutrinos collide to gammas in clean fireball
116.	Meszáros et al.	1992	MNRAS, 257, 29P	NS	NS	COS	NS-NS have neutrinos collide to gammas in clean fireball
117.	Cline et al.	1992	ApJ, 401, L57	BH		DISK	Primordial BHs evaporating could account for short hard GRBs
118.	Rees et al.	1992	MNRAS, 258, 41P	NS	ISM	COS	Relativistic fireball reconverted to radiation when hits ISM

What causes GRBs

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How find the answer?

How find the answer: launch a new satellite!

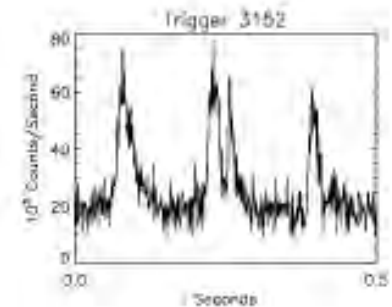
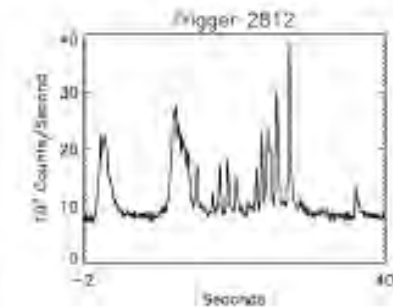
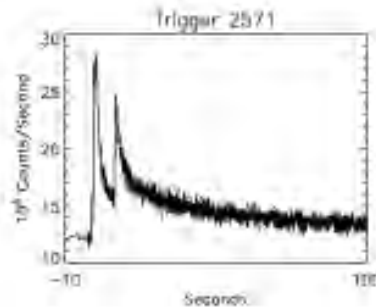
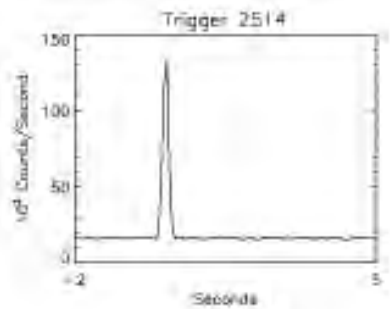
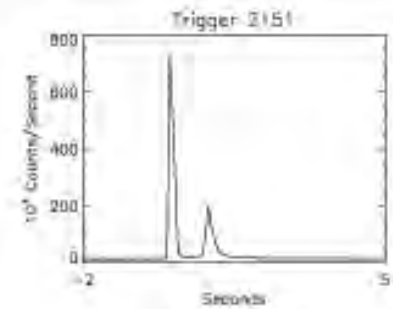
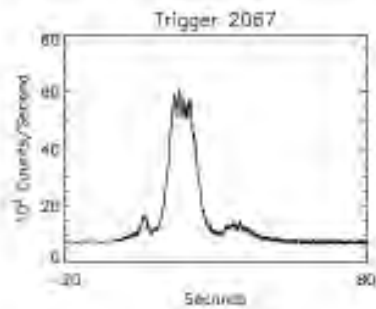
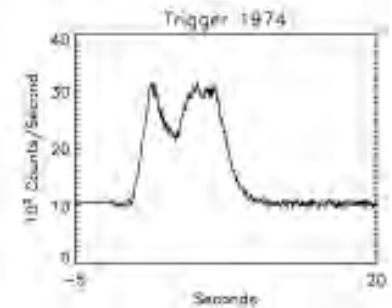
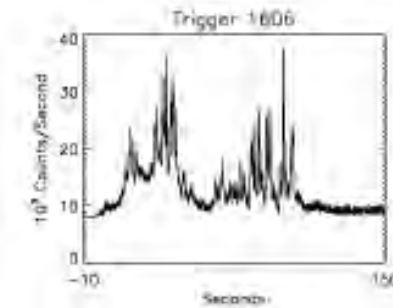
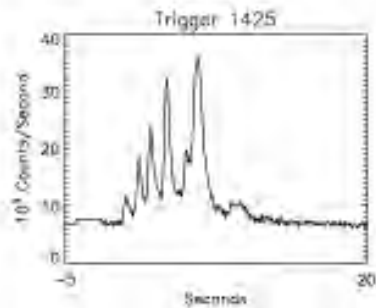
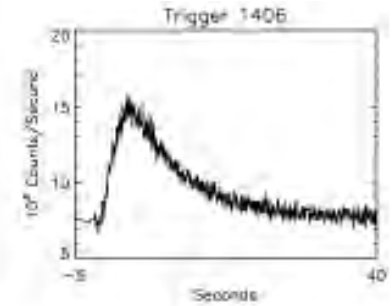
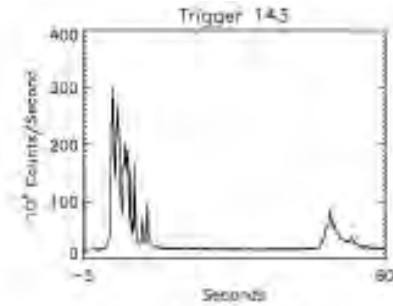
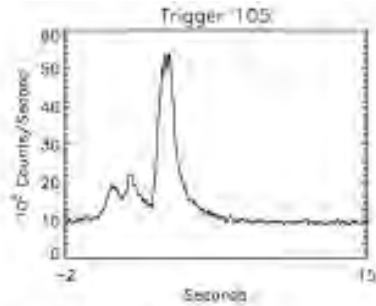


- CGRO (Compton Gamma Ray Observatory)
- The satellite was launched in 1991 and deorbited into the Atlantic in June 2000.
- The main purpose of BATSE (Burst and Transient Source Experiment) was to study GRBs.
- BATSE triggered on 2704 GRBs during its nine years of operation (ca. 1 per day).

CGRO



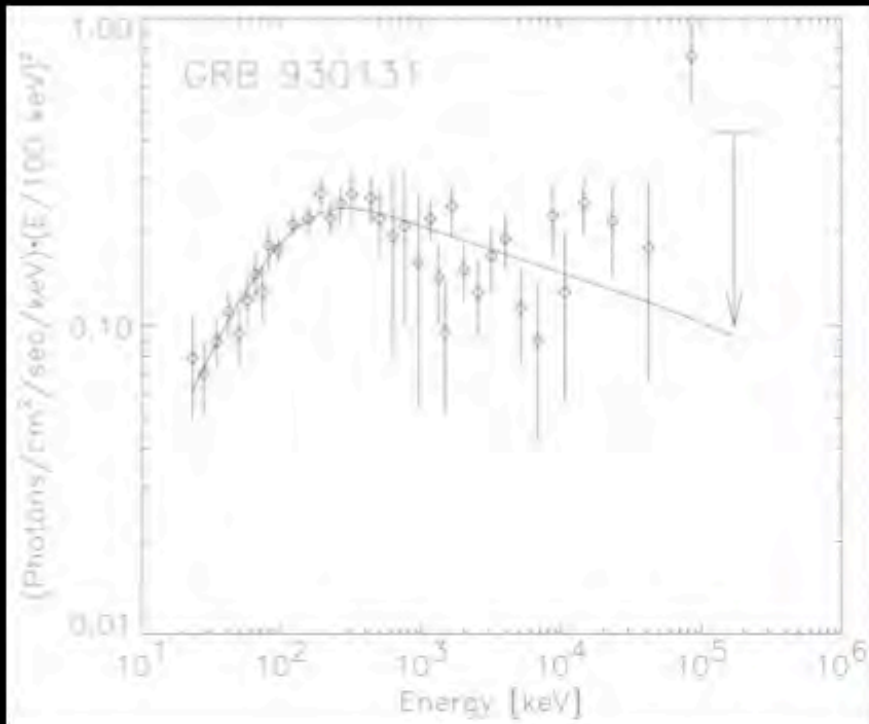
BATSE: Examples of GRBS



Spectral properties: Non-thermal

High energy spectra:
(Band function)

$$N(E) = \begin{cases} A E^\alpha \exp\left(-\frac{E}{E_0}\right) & E < (\alpha - \beta) E_0 \\ B E^\beta & E > (\alpha - \beta) E_0 \end{cases}$$

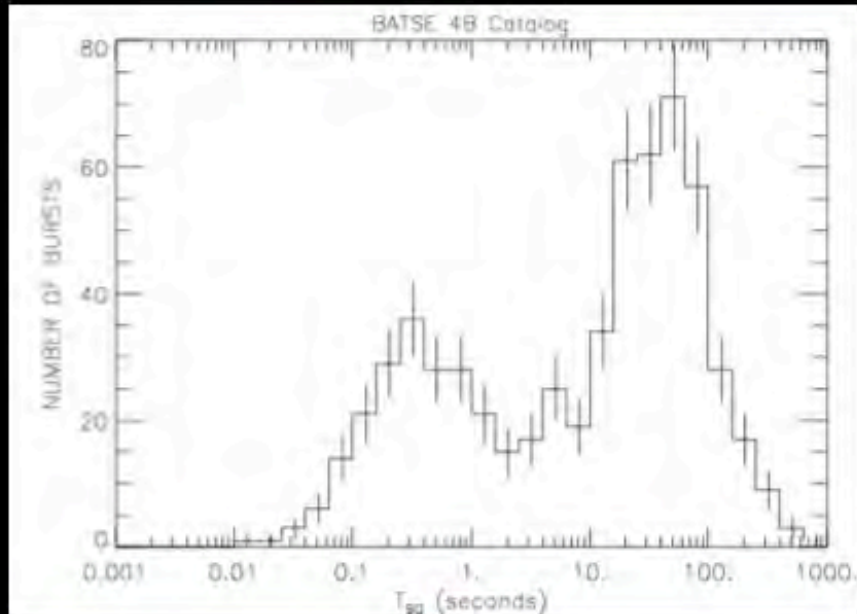


$$E_{peak} = E_0 \times (2 + \alpha)$$

$E_{peak} \sim 250$ keV (within factor 2-3)

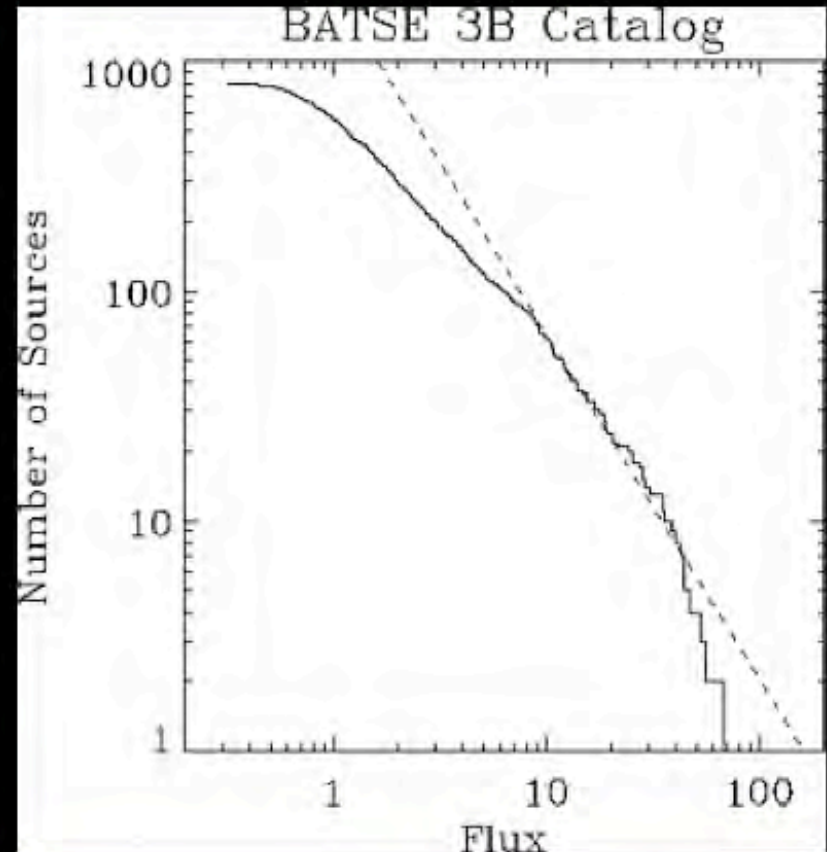
$\alpha \in [-2, 0]$ $\beta \in [-4, -2]$

Other key BATSE results



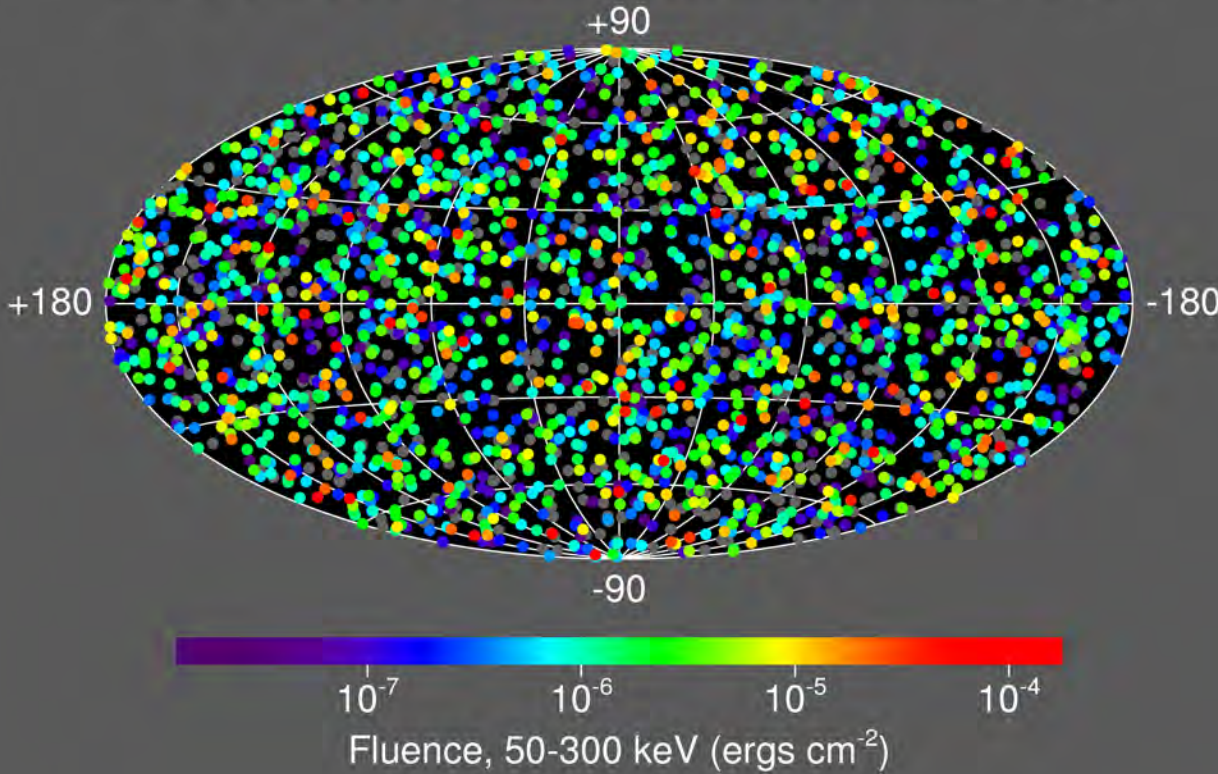
Two classes of GRBs: short and long duration GRBs. Short GRBs have harder spectra than long GRBs.

A deficit of faint sources is a strong hint that the sources have a cosmological distribution (or that we see the end of the distribution).



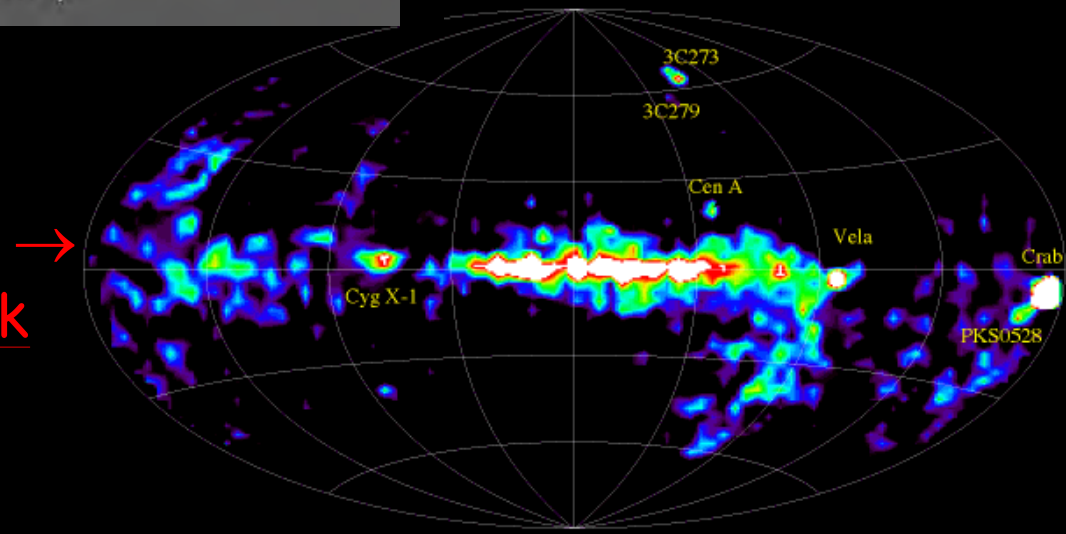
$$F \propto \text{distance}^{-2}, N \propto \text{distance}^3 \\ \rightarrow N \propto F^{-3/2}$$

2704 BATSE Gamma-Ray Bursts



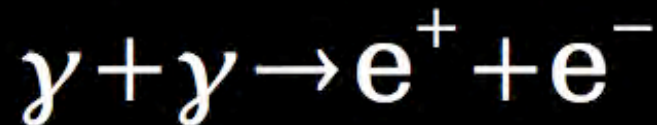
← distribution of GRBs on the sky:
Isotropic

Distribution on the sky of persistent γ -ray sources
Mainly in the Milky Way disk (or AGN)



The Compactness Problem

Many photons with energy above 500keV. Hence, pair creation is possible:



Variability on 10 ms timescale. Hence, very compact source:

$$R \leq c \delta t \approx 3 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$$

Cosmological distance scale implies extremely high photon densities: \rightarrow Optically thick.

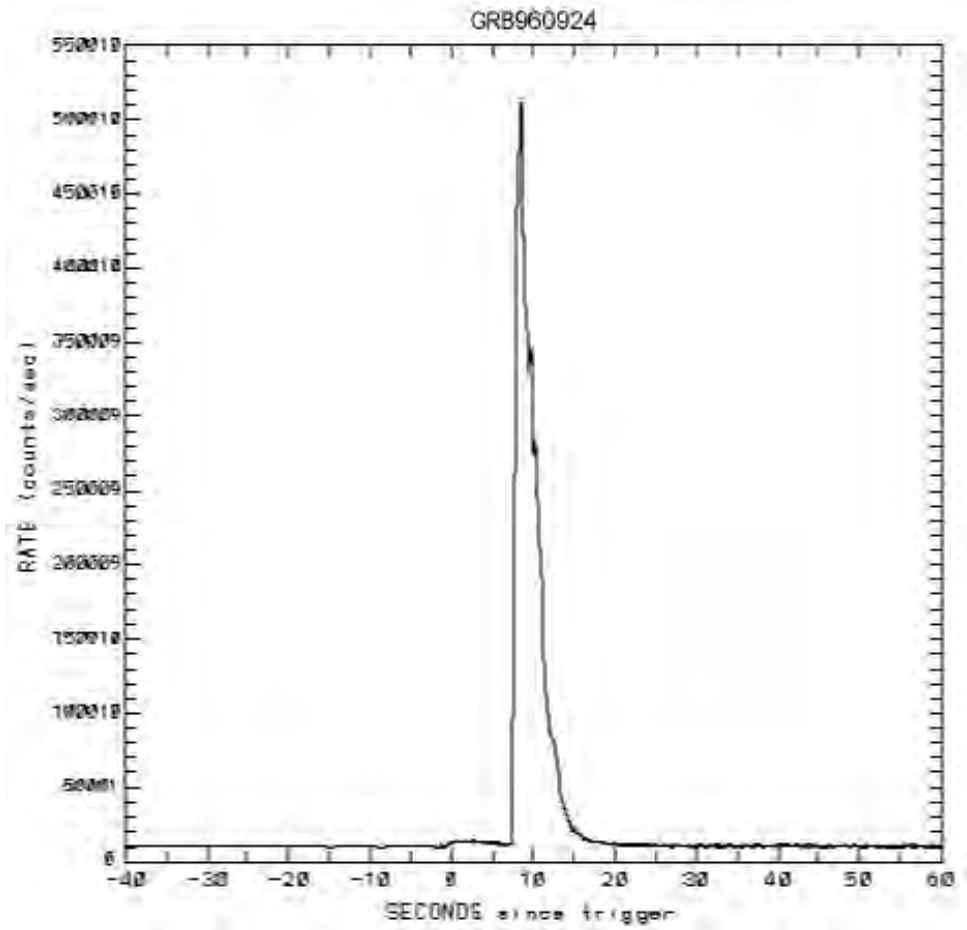
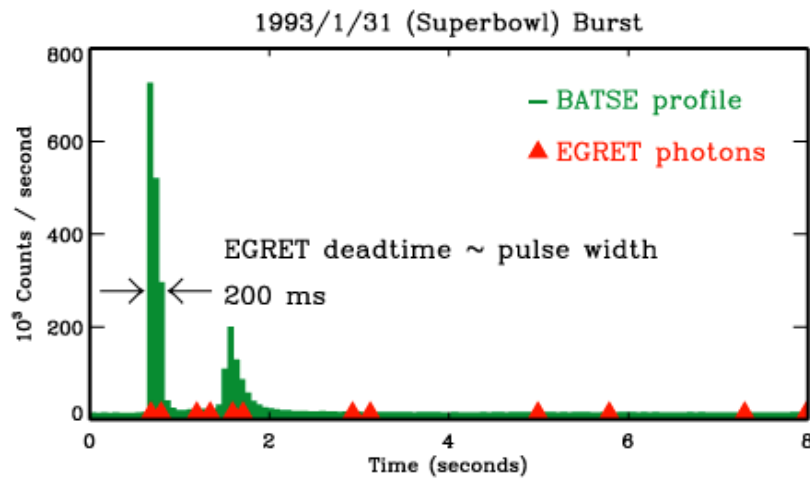
$$\tau_{\gamma\gamma} \approx 10^{13} f_p \left(\frac{F}{10^{-7} \text{ erg/cm}^2} \right) \left(\frac{D}{3000 \text{ Mpc}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{\delta T}{10 \text{ ms}} \right)^{-2}$$

Spectrum non-thermal:
Optically thin

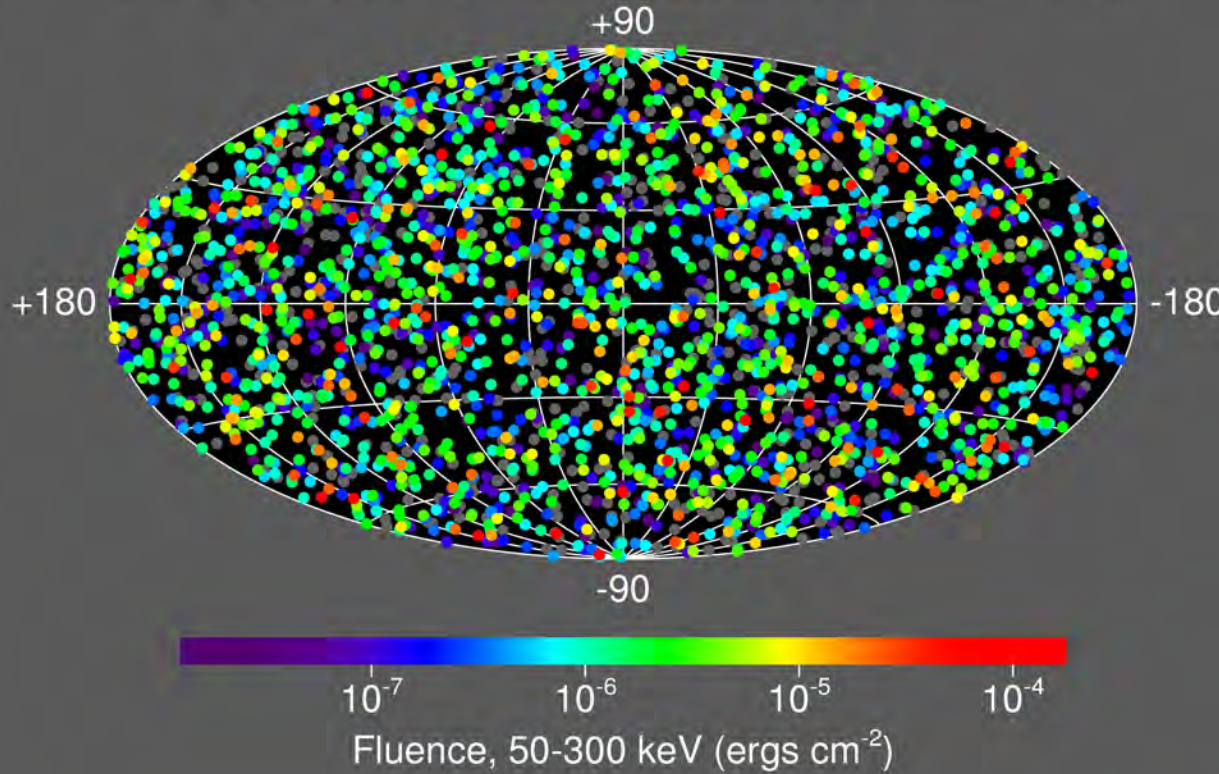


Size & Energy:
Optically thick

BATSE: Extreme GRBs

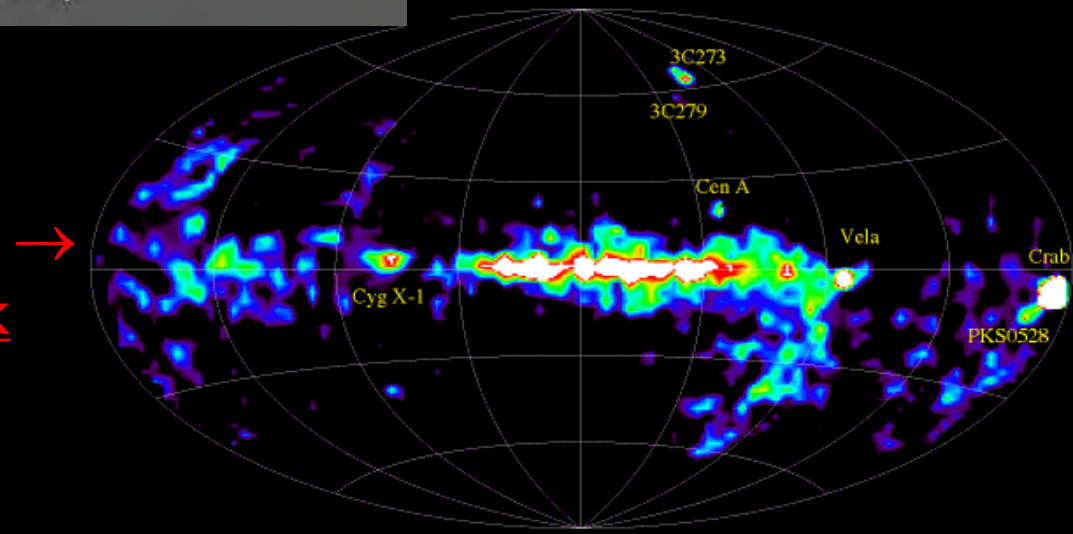


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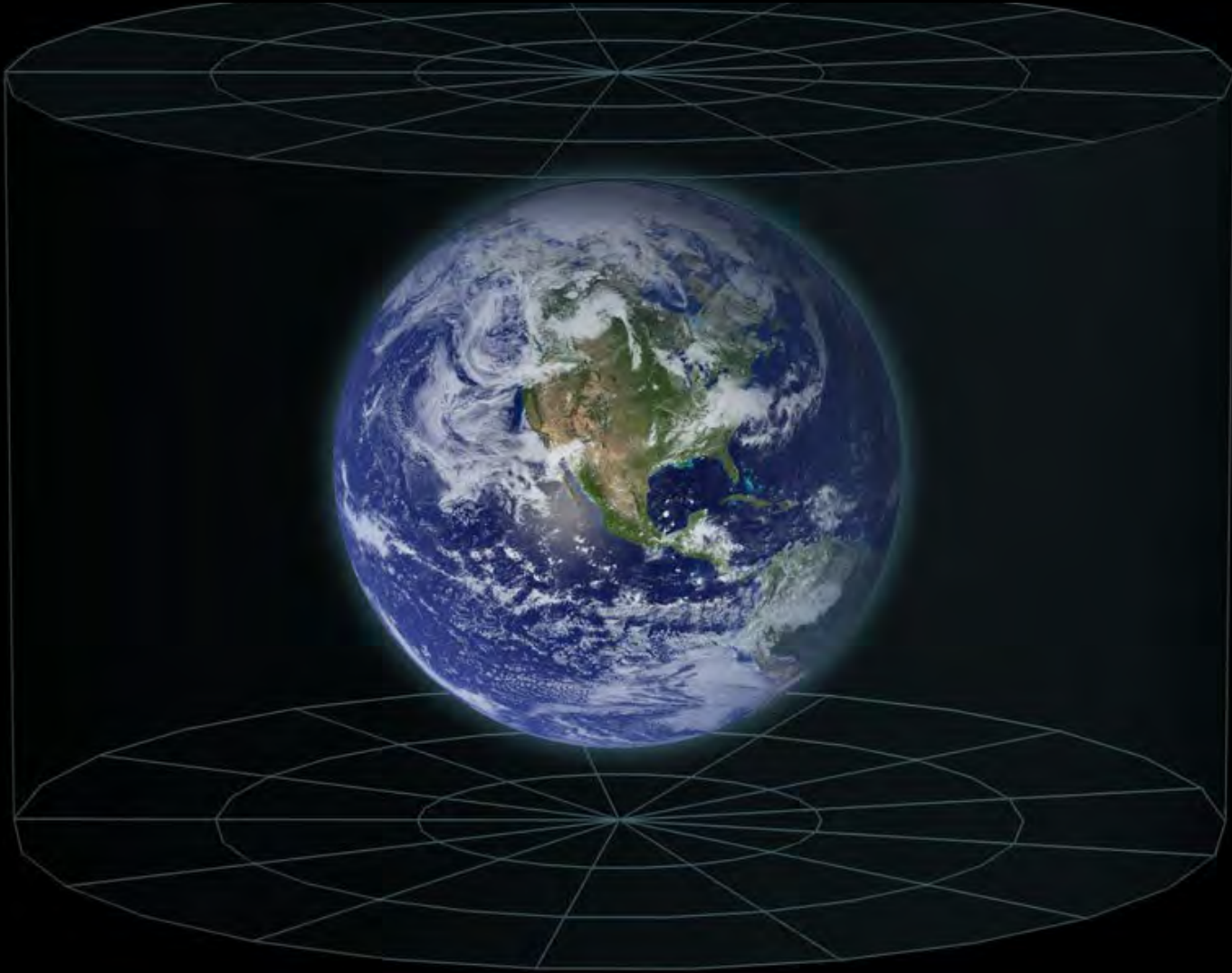


Conclusions

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What can be inferred from the celestial distribution of GRBs?

Earth

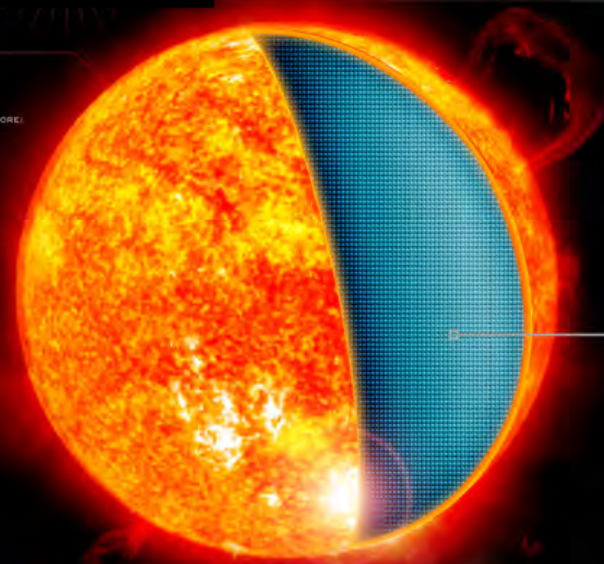


Sun

HOW BIG? HOW POWERFUL?

THE SUN

DIAMETER: 1,390,000 KM
 MASS: 1.989E30 KG
 TEMP: 15,600,000 K (CORE)



1.3
MILLION
EARTHS
CAN FIT
INSIDE
THE
SUN.

JUPITER



ORBIT: 778,330,000 KM (5.2 AU) FROM SUN
 DIAMETER: 142,984 KM (EQUATORIAL)
 MASS: 1.90E27 KG

SATURN



ORBIT: 1,421,400,000 KM (9.54 AU) FROM SUN
 DIAMETER: 120,526 KM (EQUATORIAL)
 MASS: 5.68E26 KG

URANUS



ORBIT: 2,870,990,000 KM (19.216 AU) FROM SUN
 DIAMETER: 51,118 KM (EQUATORIAL)
 MASS: 7.90E25 KG

NEPTUNE



ORBIT: 4,494,000,000 KM (30.07 AU) FROM SUN
 DIAMETER: 49,500 KM (EQUATORIAL)
 MASS: 1.02E26 KG

THE EARTH



ORBIT: 149,600,000 KM (1.00 AU) FROM SUN
 DIAMETER: 12,756.3 KM
 MASS: 5.97E24 KG

VENUS



ORBIT: 108,200,000 KM (0.72 AU) FROM SUN
 DIAMETER: 12,103.6 KM
 MASS: 4.86E24 KG

MARS



ORBIT: 227,940,000 KM (1.52 AU) FROM SUN
 DIAMETER: 6,779.4 KM
 MASS: 6.42E23 KG

MERCURY



ORBIT: 57,910,000 KM (0.39 AU) FROM SUN
 DIAMETER: 4,880 KM
 MASS: 3.30E23 KG

PLUTO*



ORBIT: 5,913,520,000 KM (39.5 AU) FROM THE SUN
 DIAMETER: 2,374 KM
 MASS: 1.31E22 KG

* NOW CLASSIFIED
 AS DWARF PLANET

THE SUN CONTAINS MORE THAN
99.8%
 OF THE TOTAL MASS
 OF THE SOLAR SYSTEM.



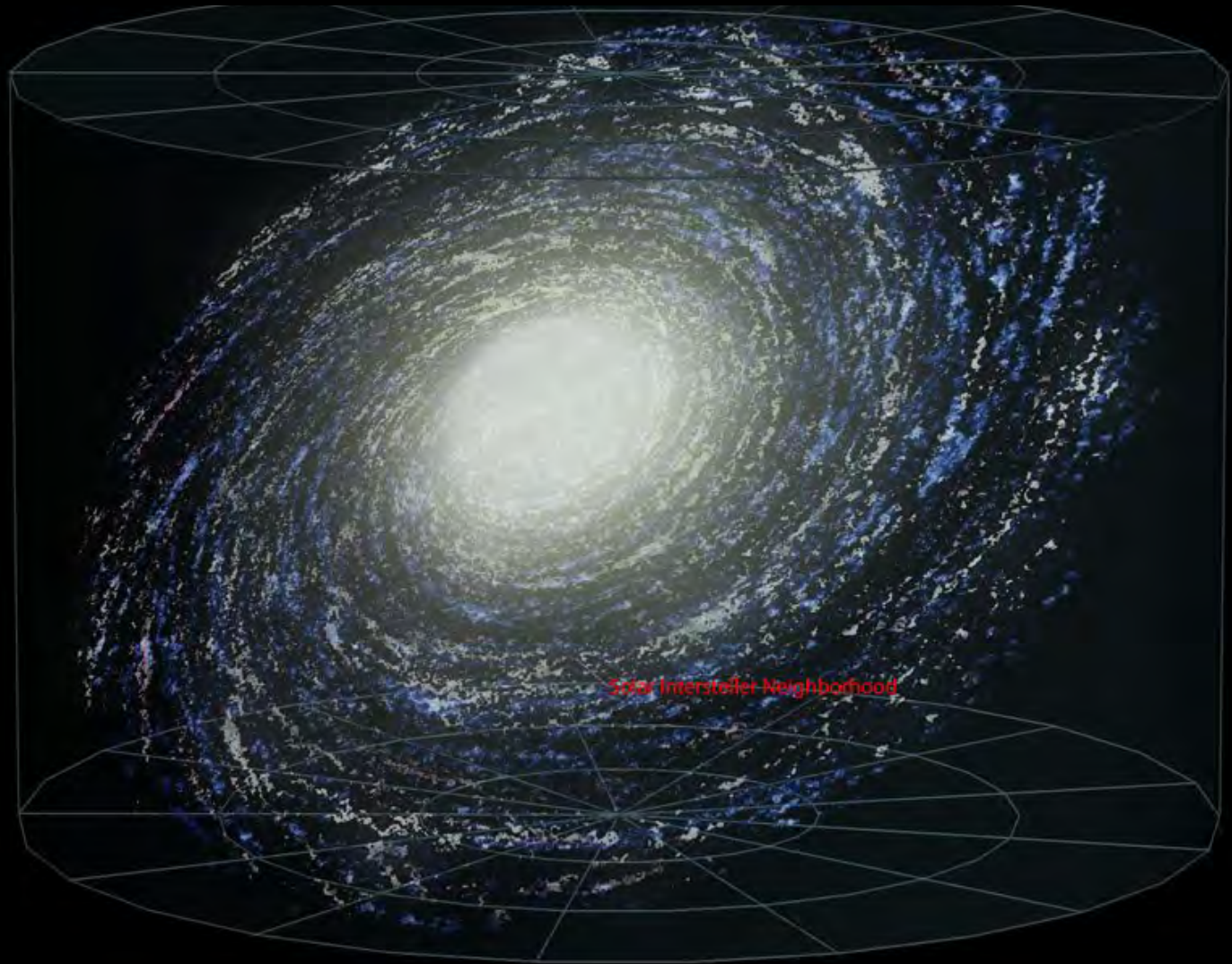
386
 BILLION BILLION
 MEGAWATTS OF POWER

AT THE CENTRE OF THE
CORE
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 MORE THAN **150**
 TIMES THAT OF
 WATER

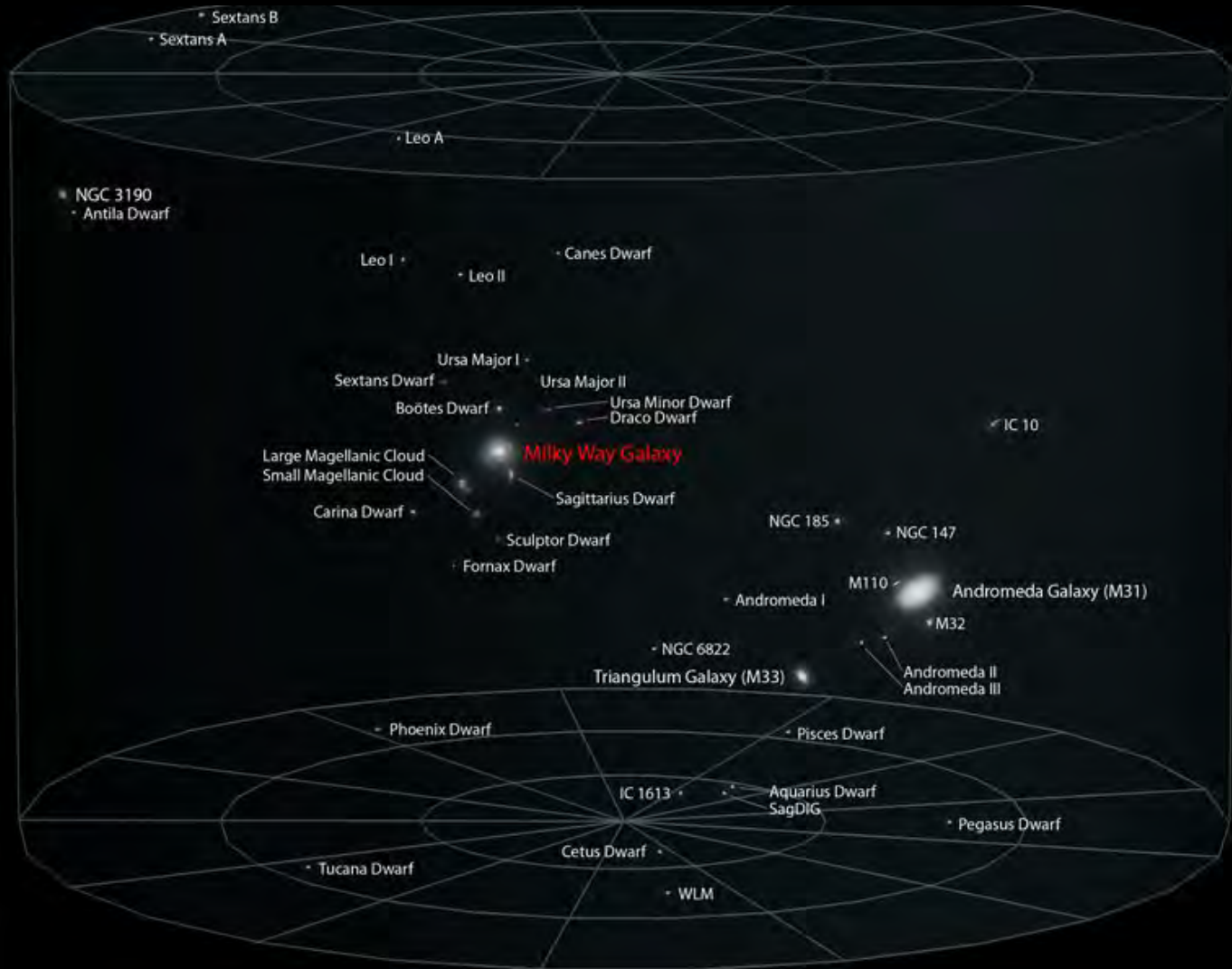
Solar neighborhood



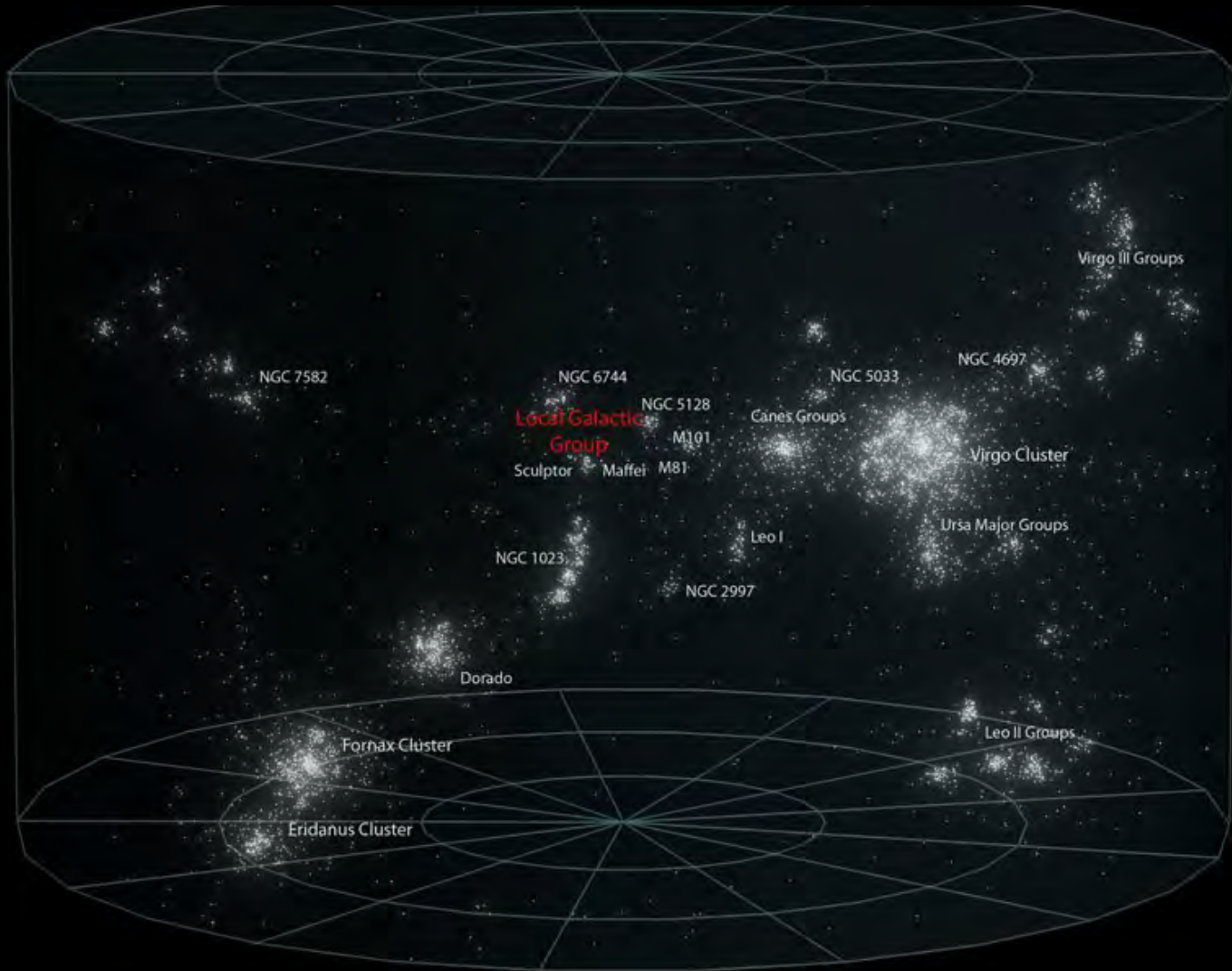
Milky Way



The local group

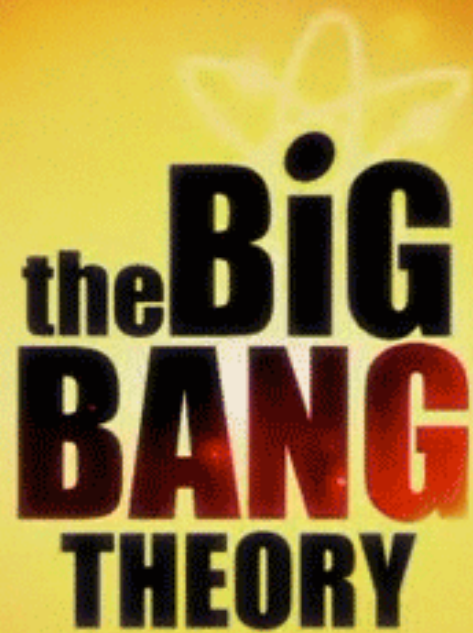


Virgo Supercluster



The observable Universe





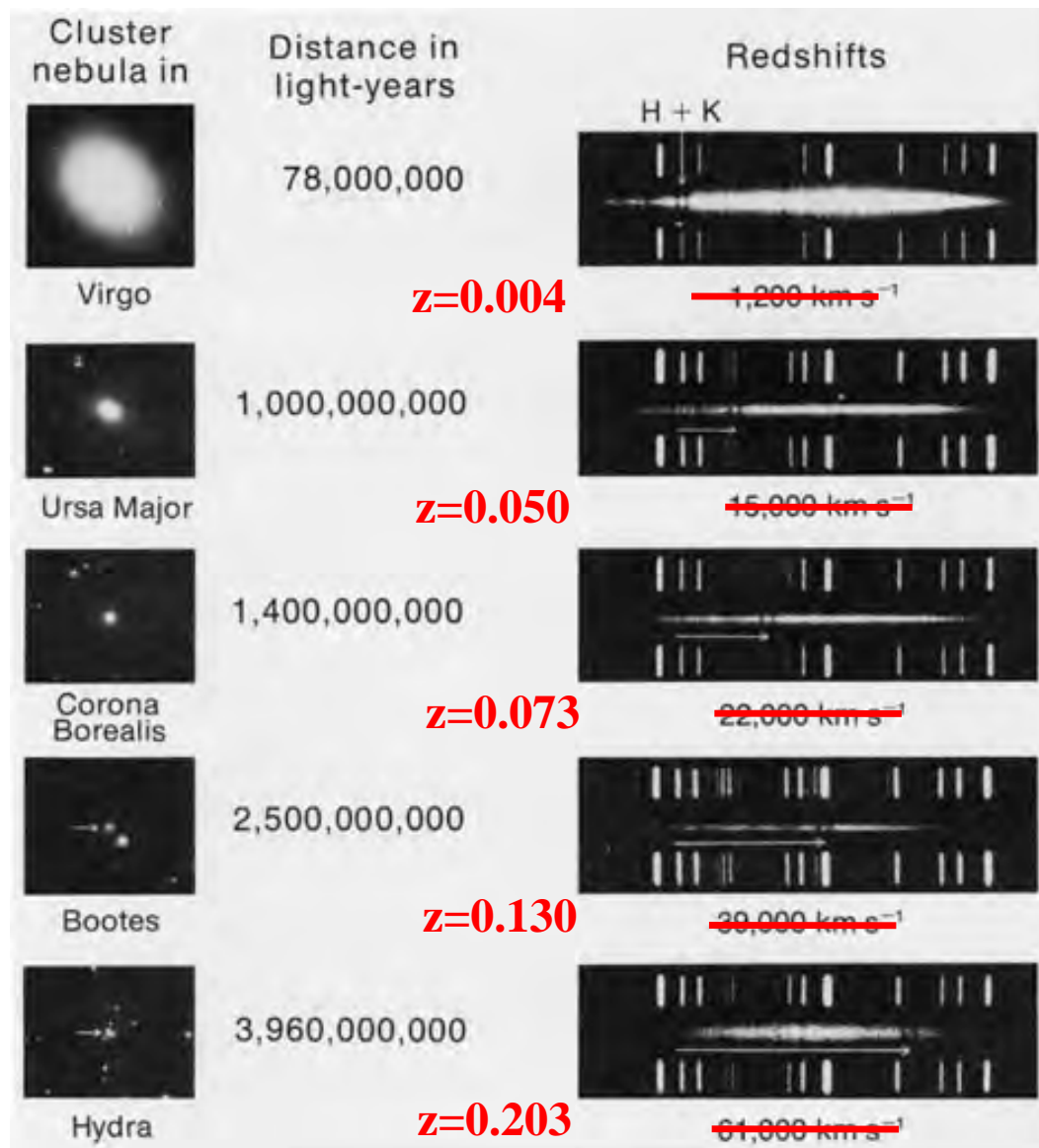
the **Big**
BANG
THEORY

The cosmological redshift

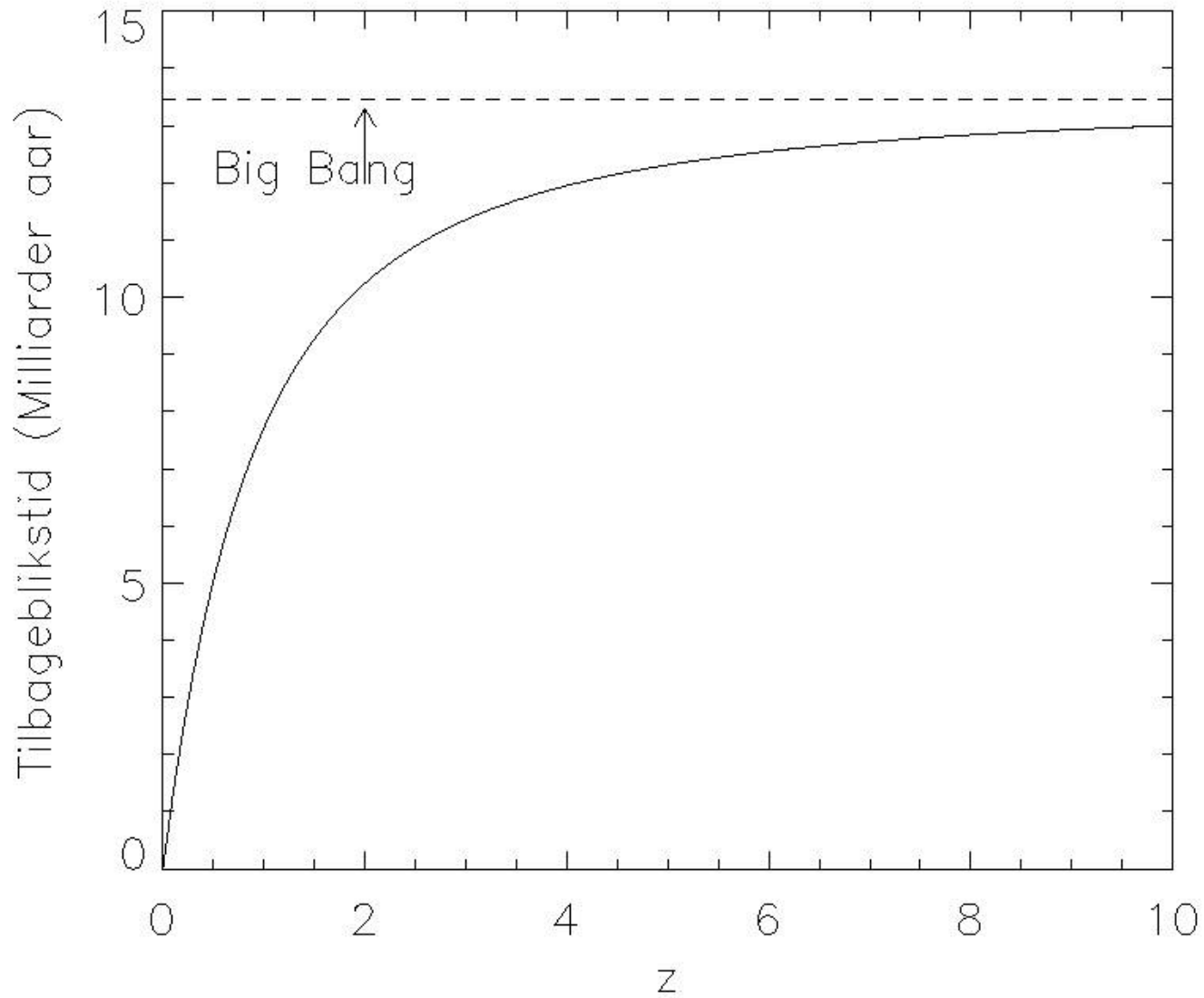
$$1 + z = \frac{\lambda_{obs}}{\lambda_{lab}}$$



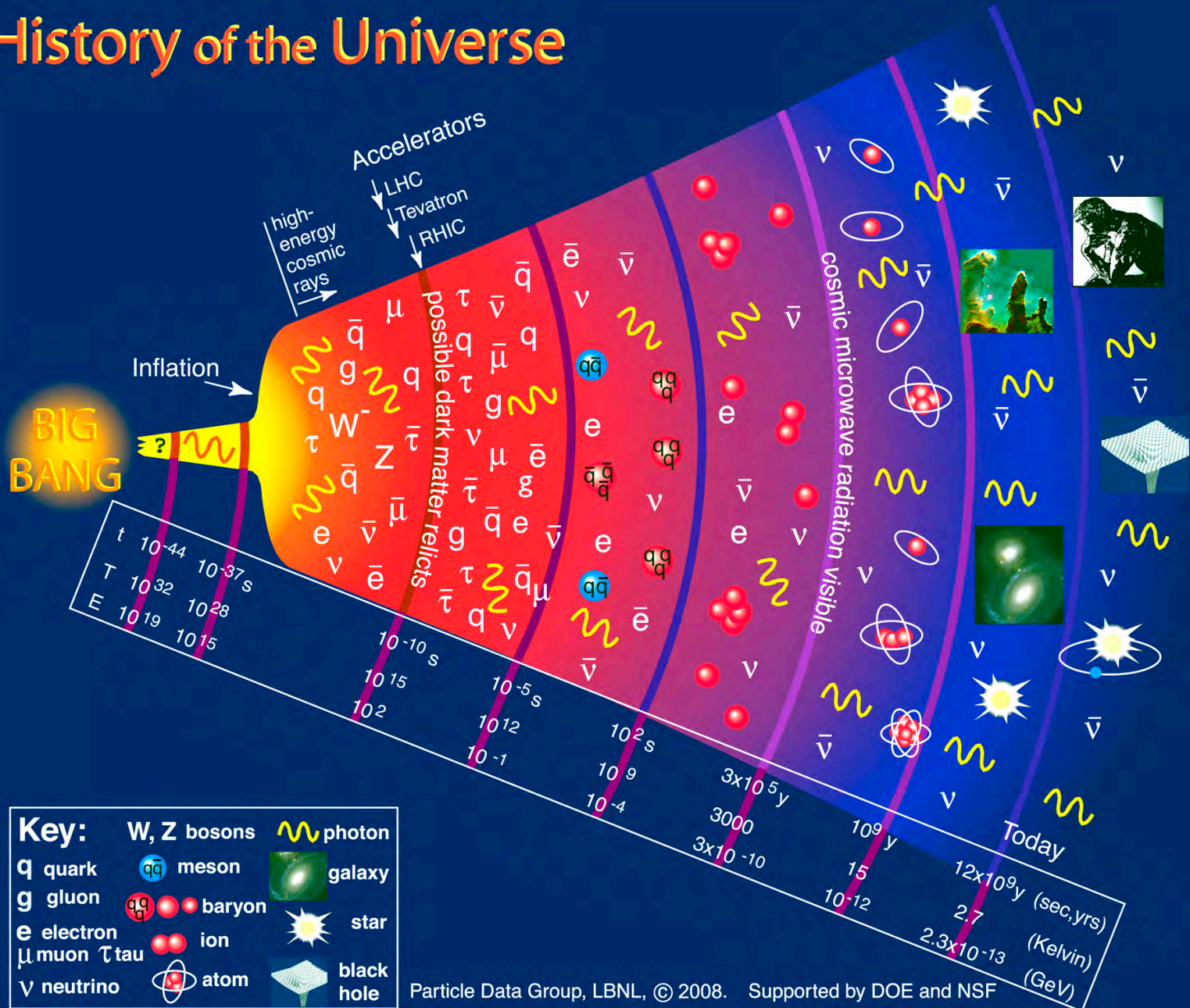
The redshift is a measure of how much the Universe has expanded between emission and observation of the light :
 $(1+z)$ per dimension.



Redshift and time



History of the Universe



The Great Debate 1995

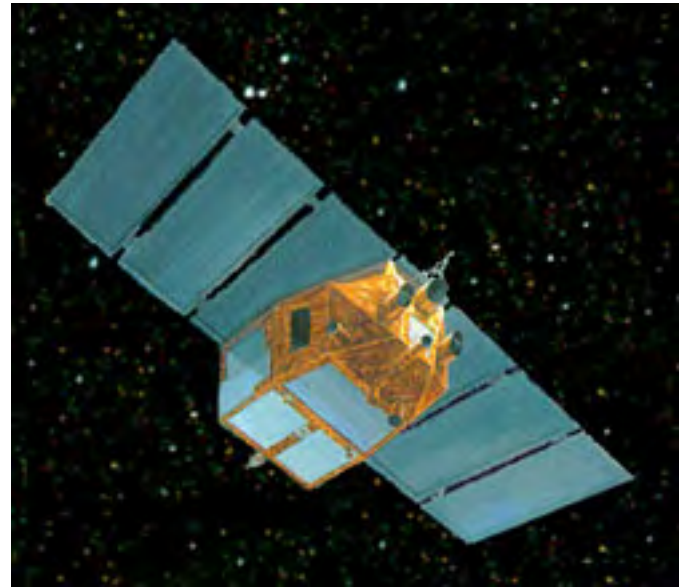
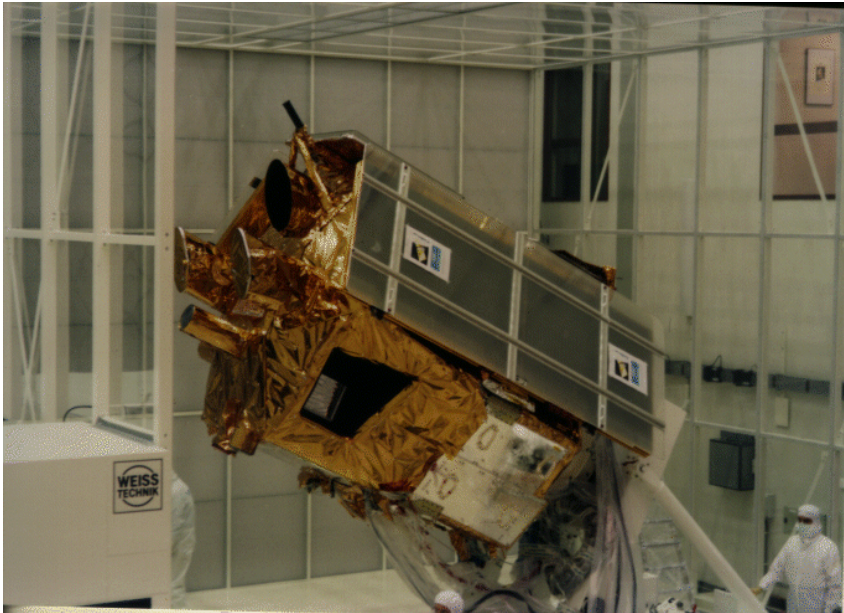
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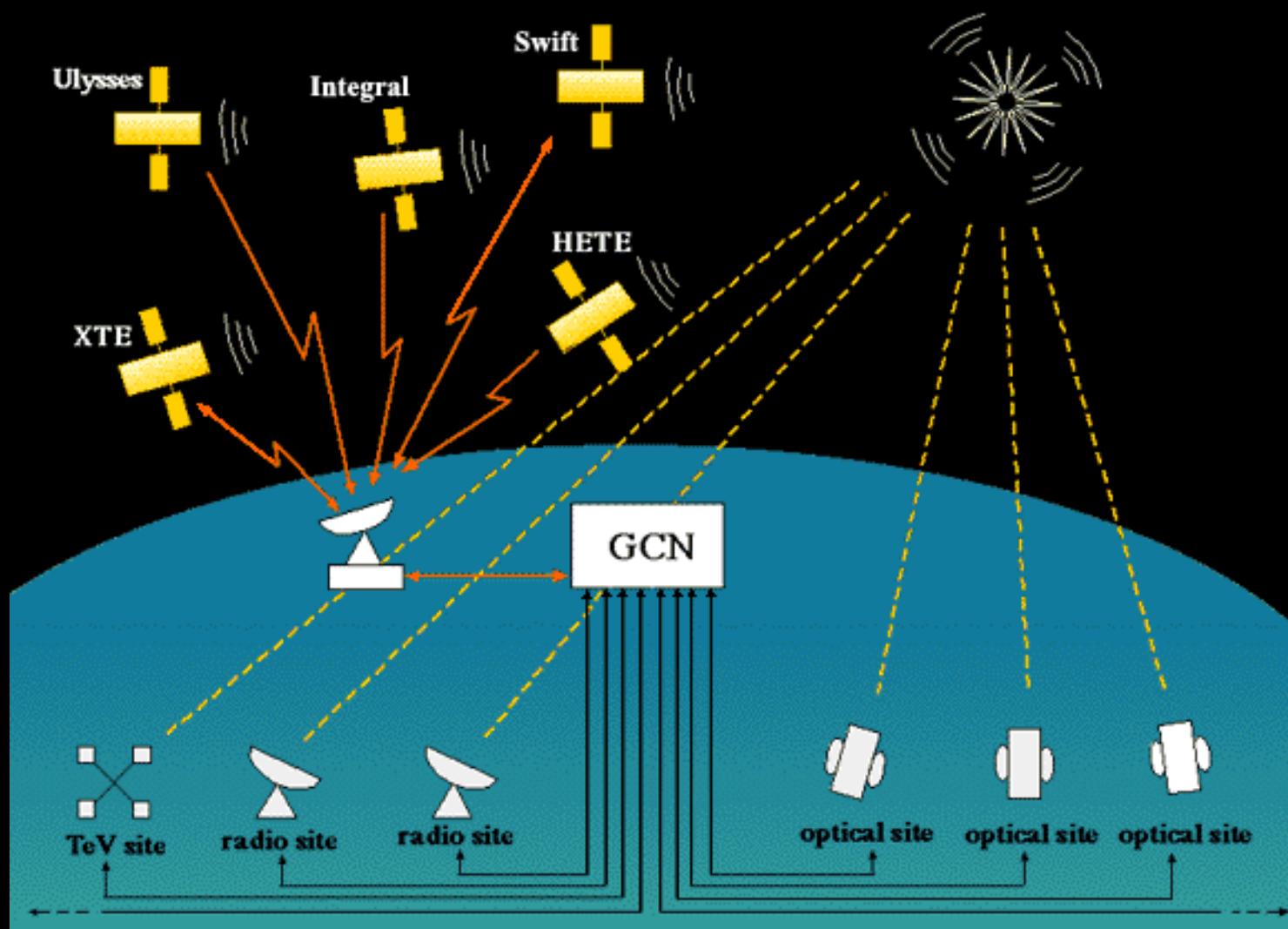
- Bohdan Paczyński
- Extragalactic
Explosions in remote galaxies.

- Donald Q. Lamb
- Galactic (Milky Way)
Neutron stars ejected from the disk with large velocities and hence distributed in an extended halo.

Tests: precise positions
Andromeda galaxy

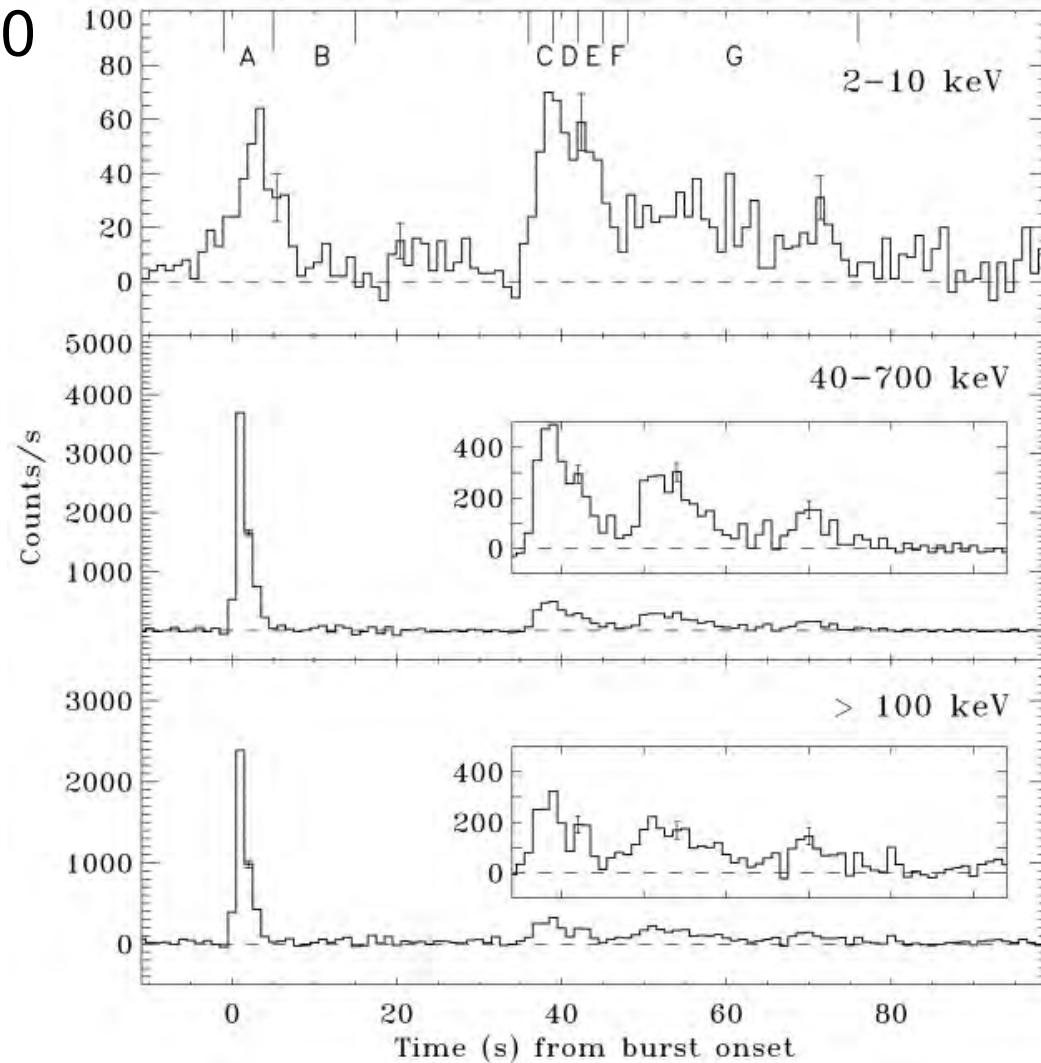
How to find the answer: Launch a new satellite! BeppoSax (1996-2002)



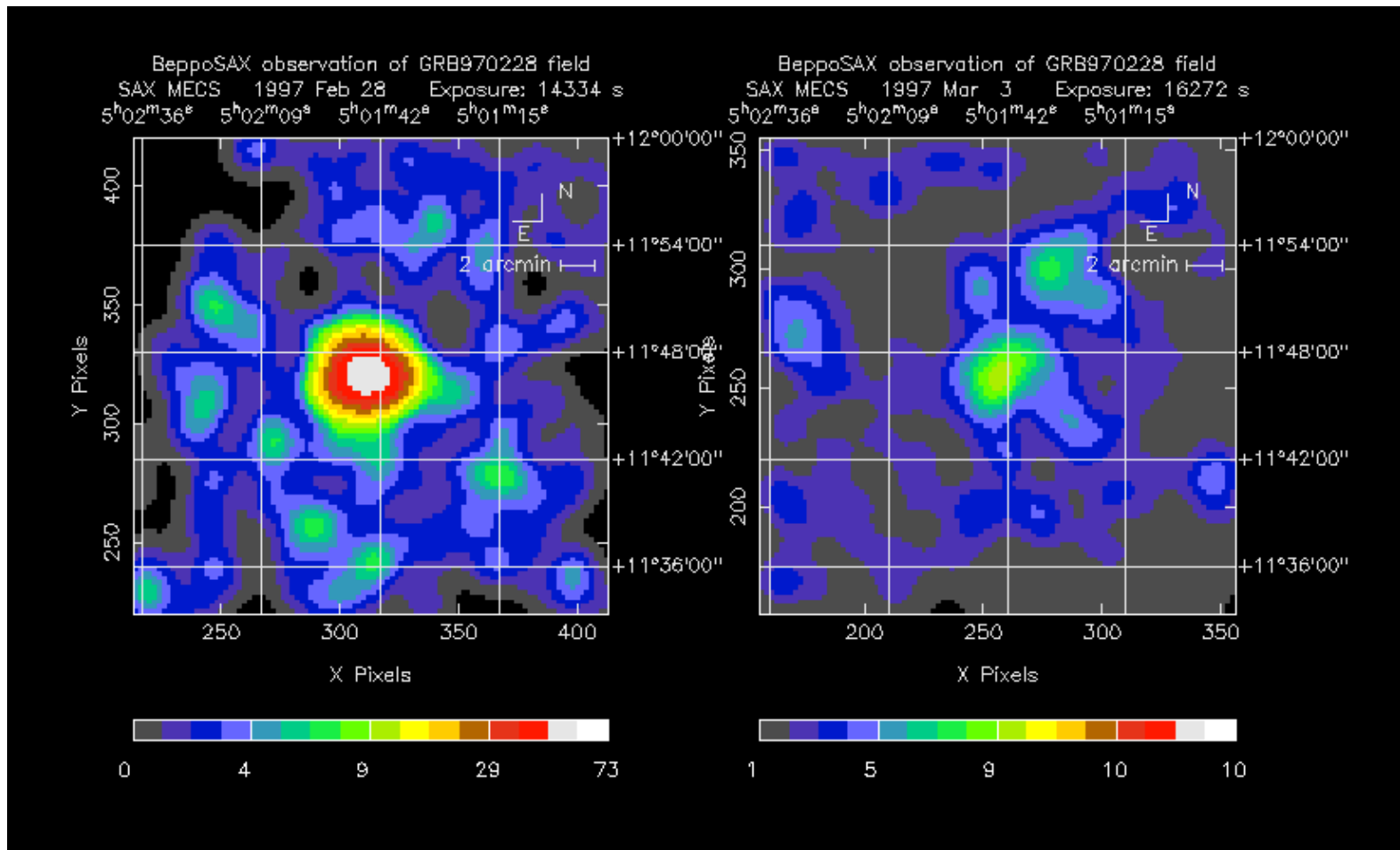


GRB970228: breakthrough

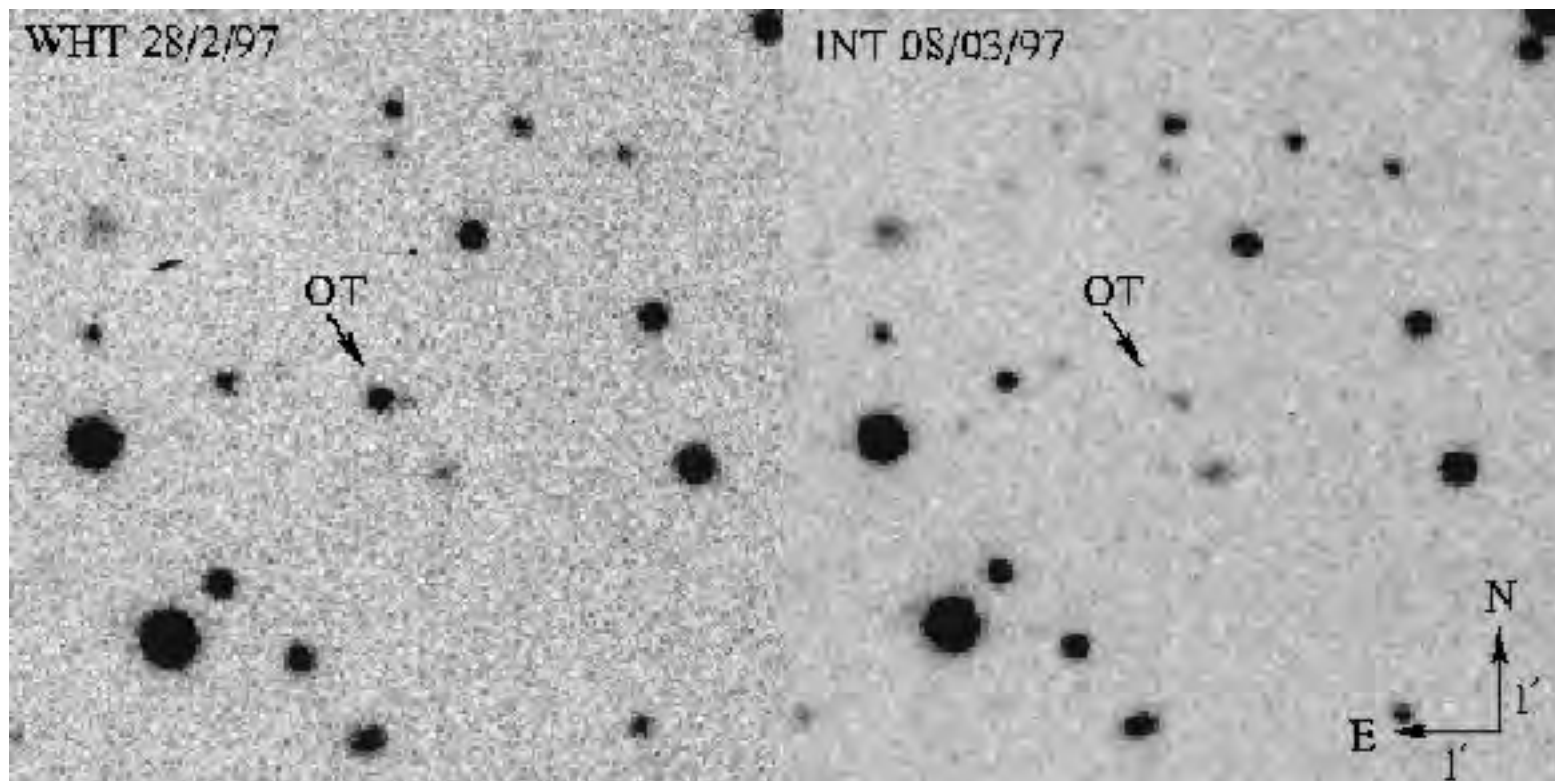
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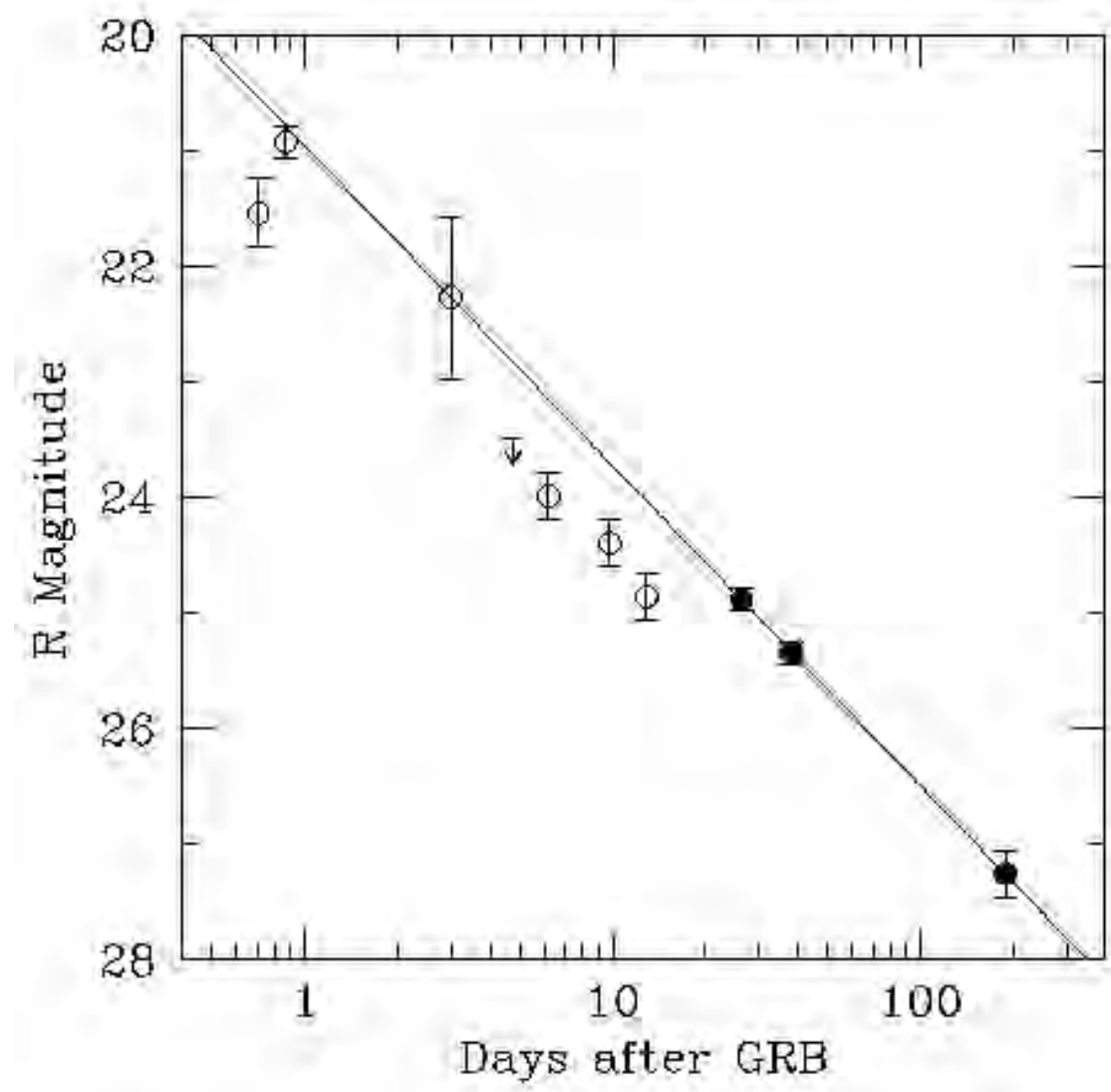
GRB970228: X-ray afterglow



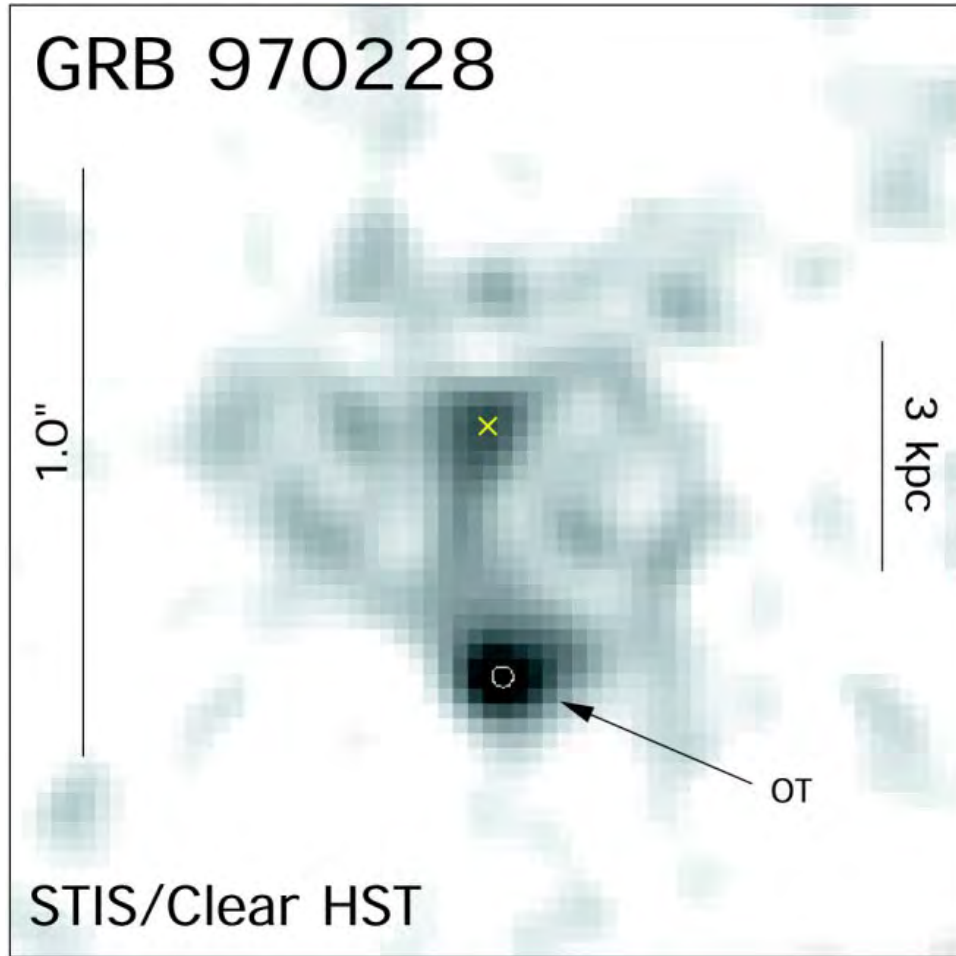
GRB970228: optical afterglow



Lightcurve for the optical afterglow of GRB970228: powerlaw



Host galaxy ($z=0.695$, $d=4.2$ Gpc)



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COSMOLOGICAL!

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- GRBs are isotropically distributed on the sky.
- GRBs originate from galaxies at "cosmological" distances. Very energetic explosions. Synchrotron radiation from highly relativistic electrons?

Solution: highly relativistic motion

$$\begin{array}{c} t_1 \qquad t_2 \\ \xrightarrow{v \Delta t} \end{array}$$

$$\Delta t = t_2 - t_1$$

$$\Delta t_{\text{obs}} = \Delta t - \frac{v \Delta t}{c} = \Delta t(1 - \beta)$$

$$\gamma^2 = \frac{1}{1 - \beta^2} = \frac{1}{(1 + \beta)(1 - \beta)} \rightarrow 1 - \beta = \frac{1}{\gamma^2(1 + \beta)} \approx \frac{1}{2\gamma^2}$$

$$\rightarrow \Delta t_{\text{obs}} = \frac{\Delta t}{2\gamma^2}$$

Solution: highly relativistic motion

Photons in the source frame
have much smaller energy:

$$E_{\text{source}} = E_{\text{obs}} / \gamma$$

The true timescale is much
larger so the size limit
is much less severe.

$$\Delta t_{\text{obs}} = \frac{\Delta t}{2\gamma^2}$$

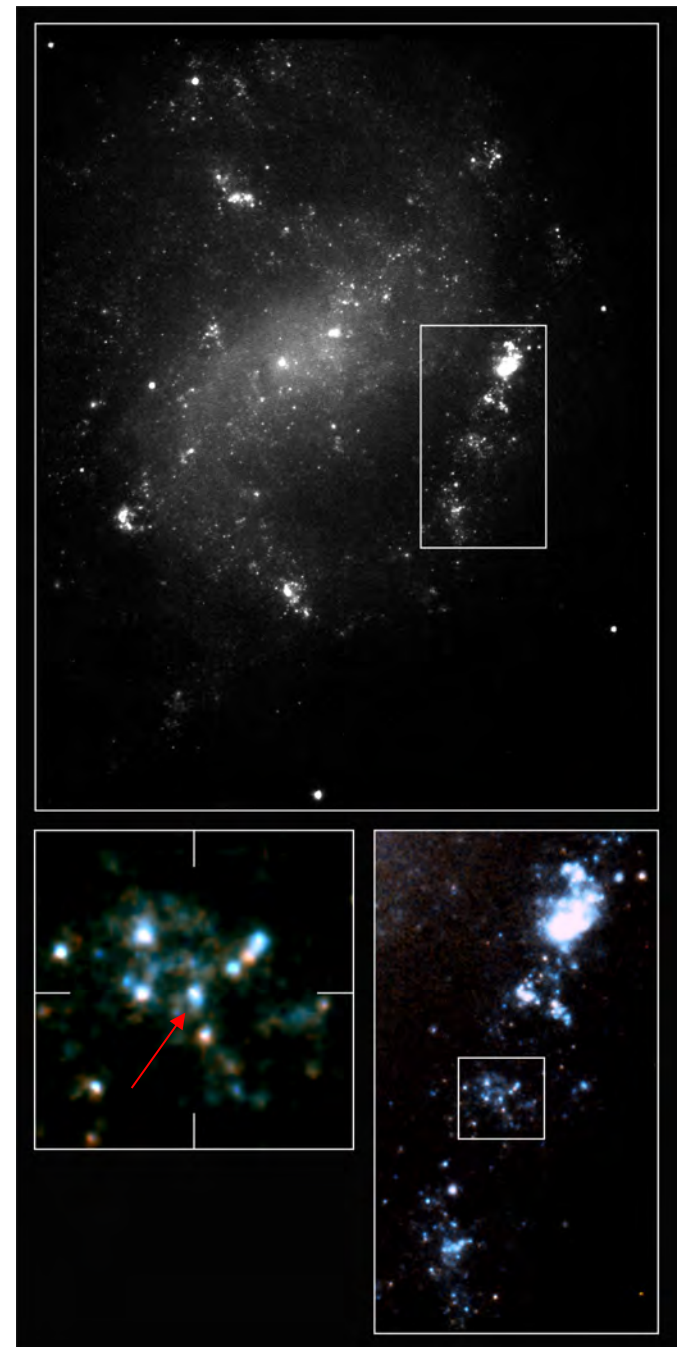
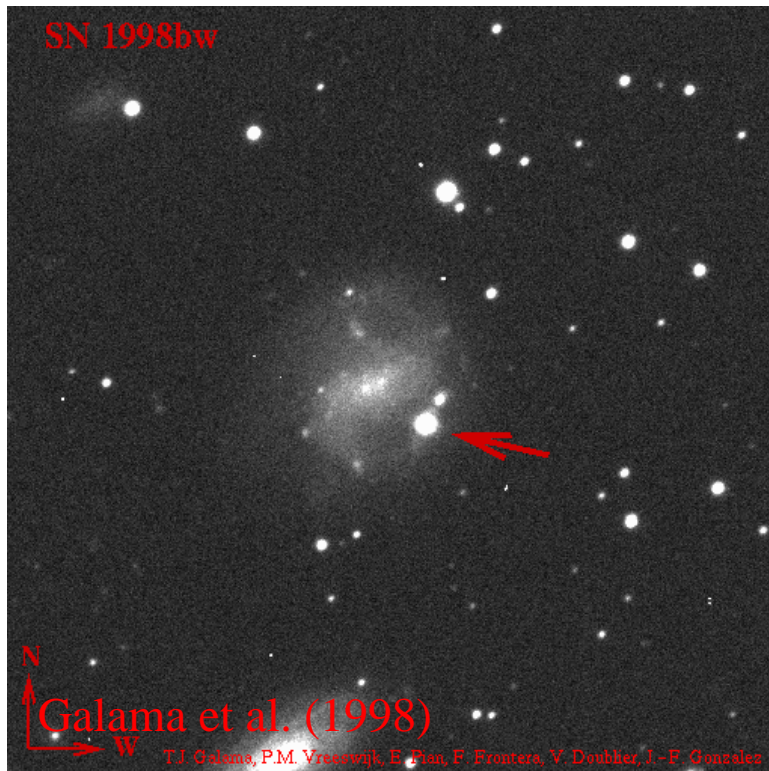
Optical depth
strongly reduced:

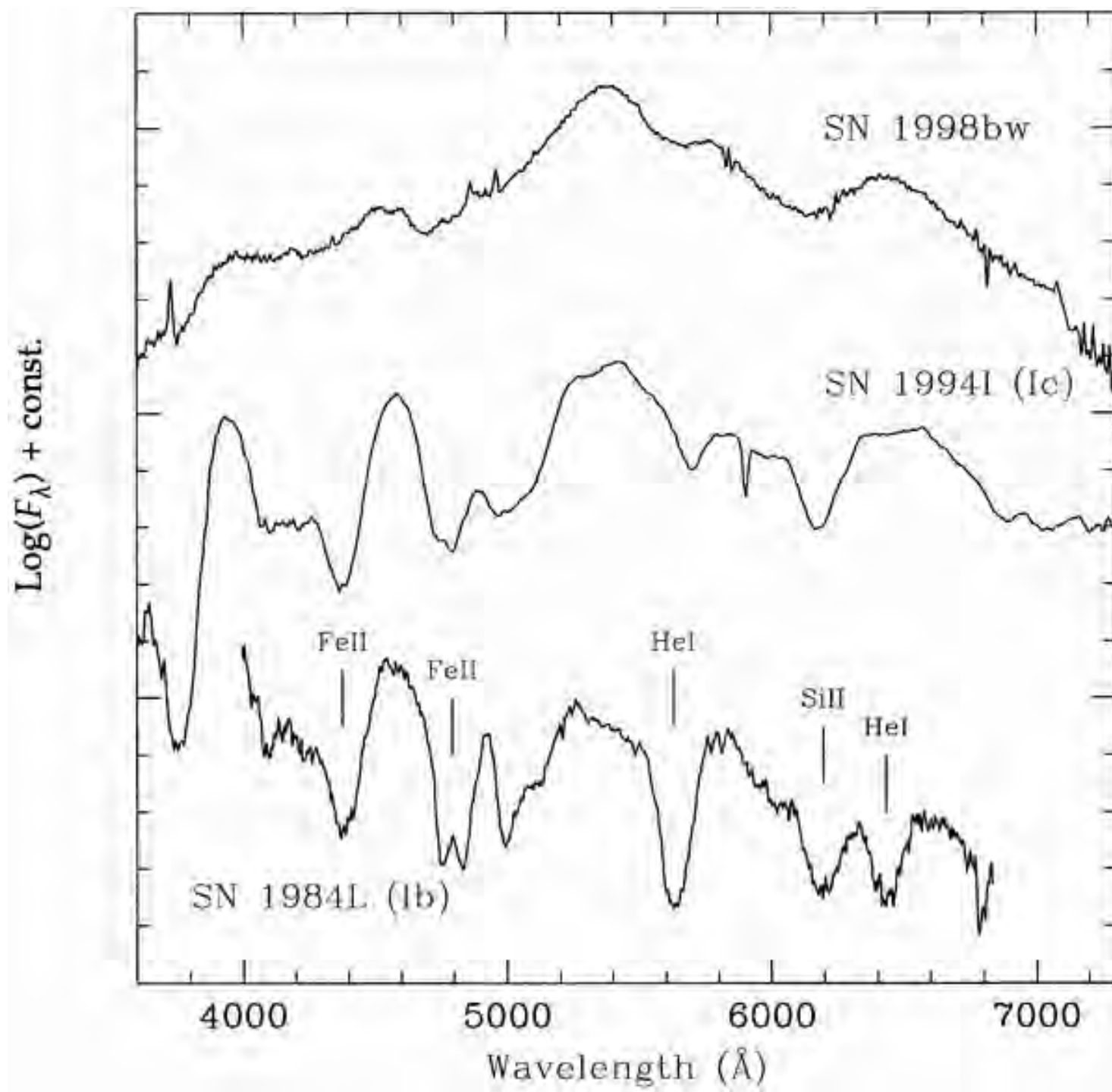
$$\tau_{\gamma\gamma} \approx \frac{10^{13}}{\gamma^{4+2\alpha}} f_p \left(\frac{F}{10^{-7} \text{ erg/cm}^2} \right) \left(\frac{D}{3000 \text{ Mpc}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{\delta T}{10 \text{ ms}} \right)^{-2}$$

$$\tau_{\gamma\gamma} < 1 \rightarrow \gamma \geq 100$$

GRB980425: supernova

$z=0.0085$ (nearby!). No optical afterglow!, but a bright SN Ib/c
SN1998bw – SN of the century!





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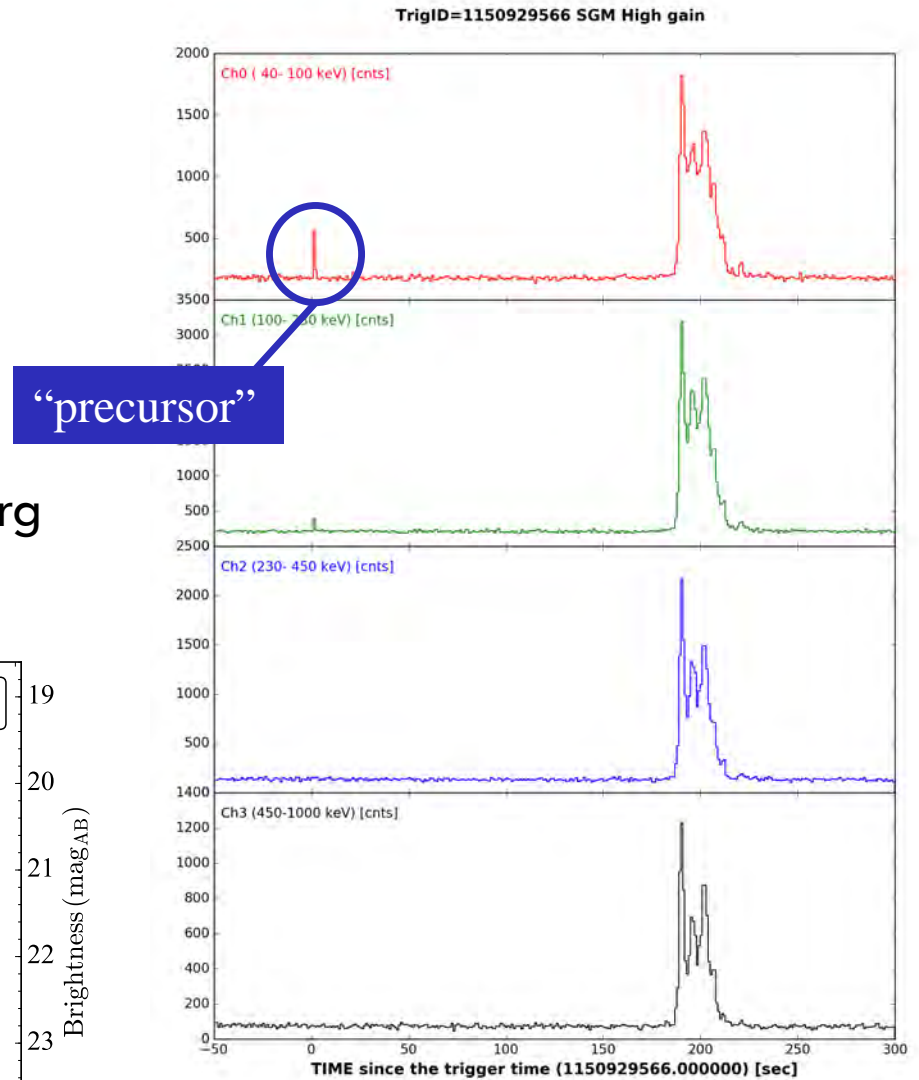
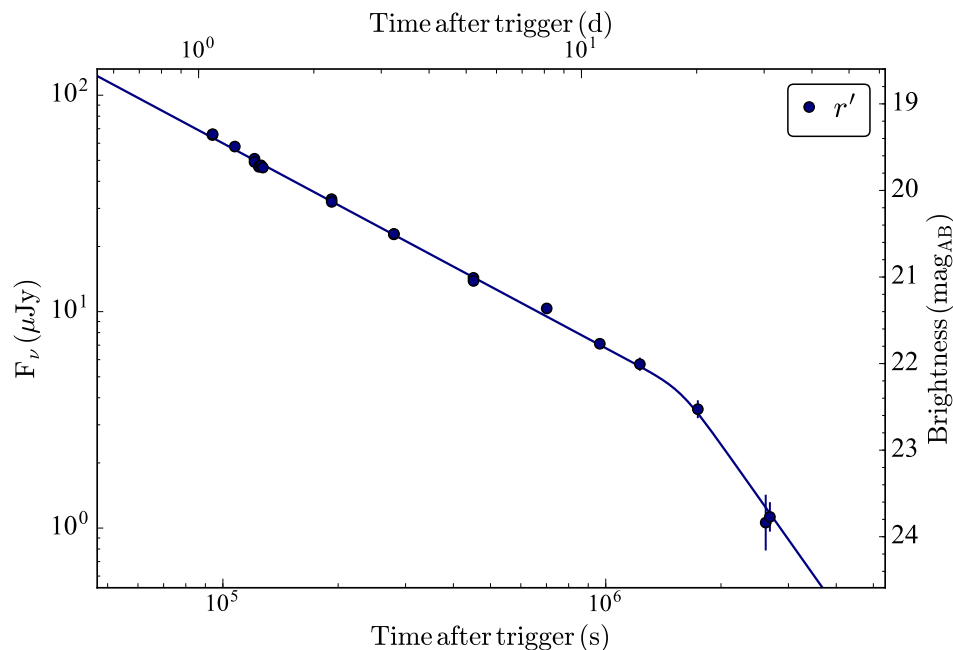
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CALET, Fermi/GBM, INTEGRAL og
Konus/WIND

Duration 460 s

$z = 1.406$

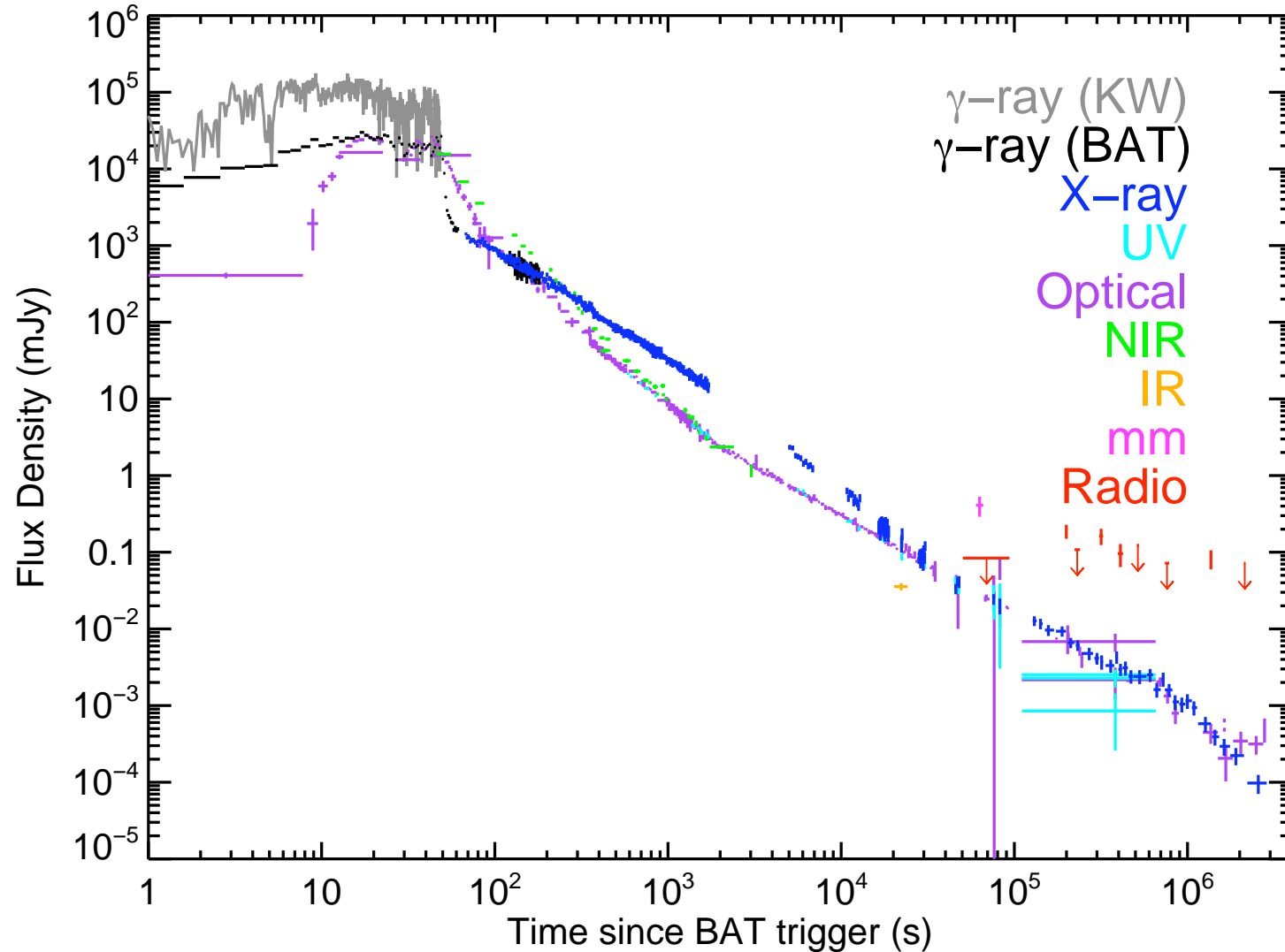
Isotropisk energy release: 4×10^{54} erg



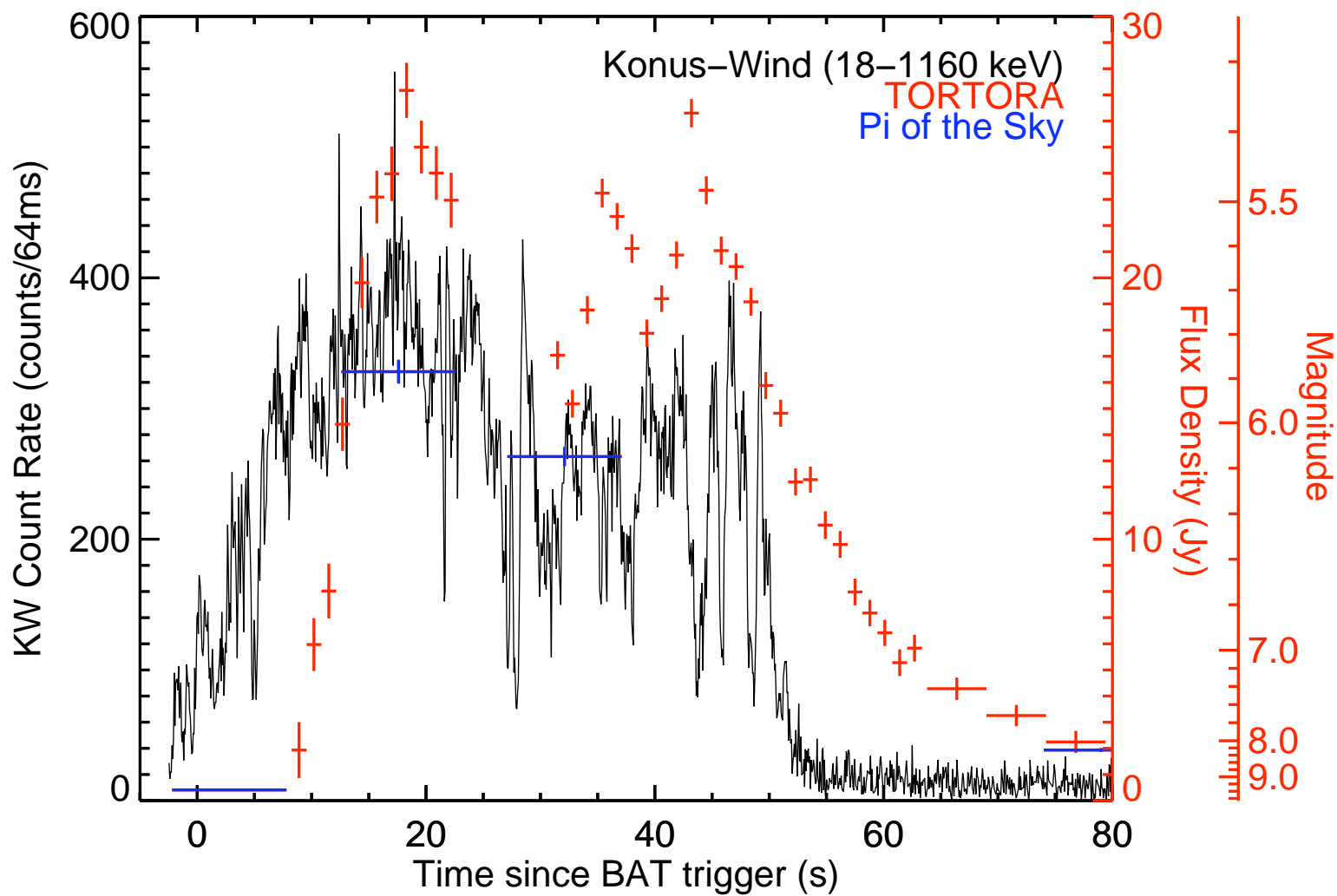
“precursor”

CALET SGM High gain light curve

Broadband Observations



“Naked Eye Burst” (GRB080319B)



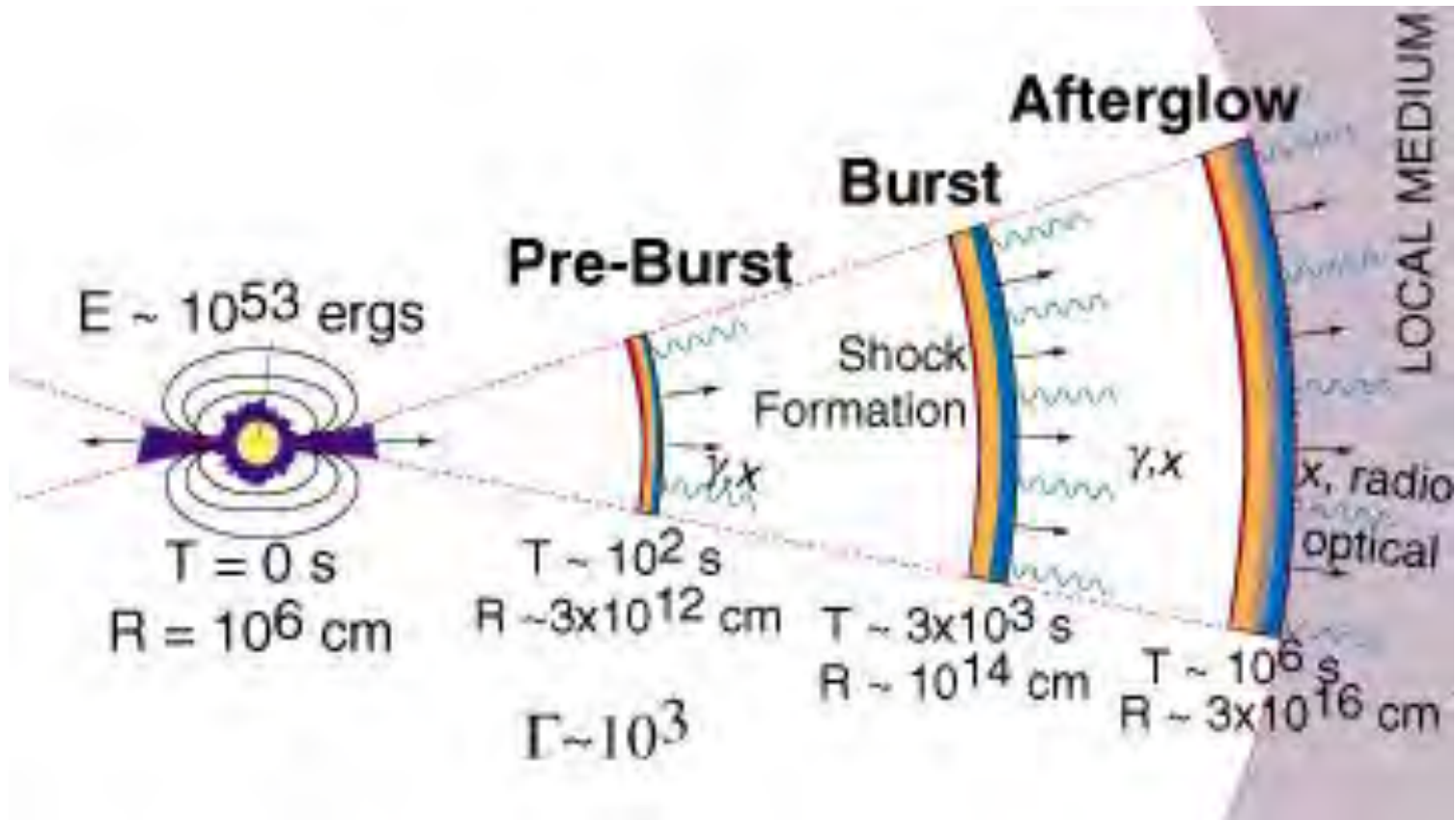
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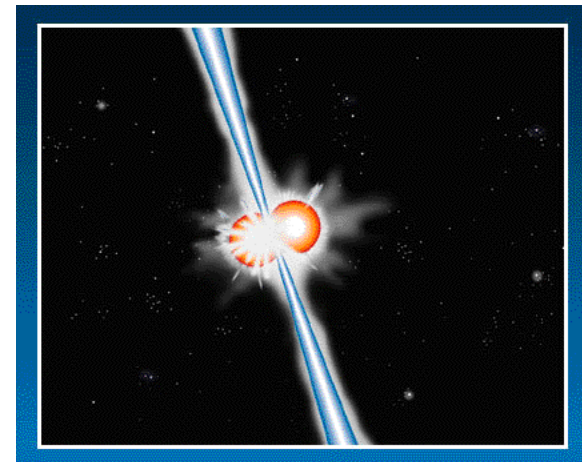
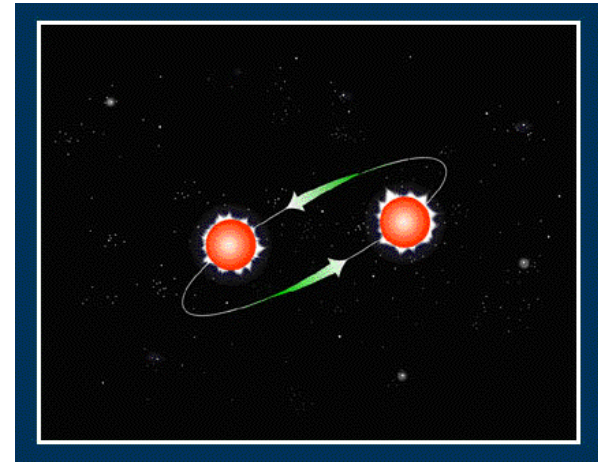
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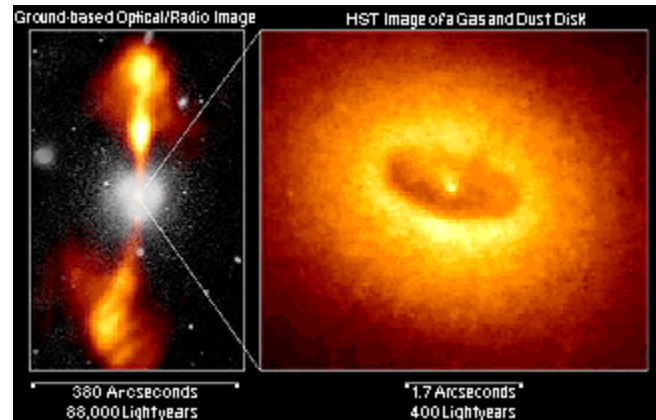
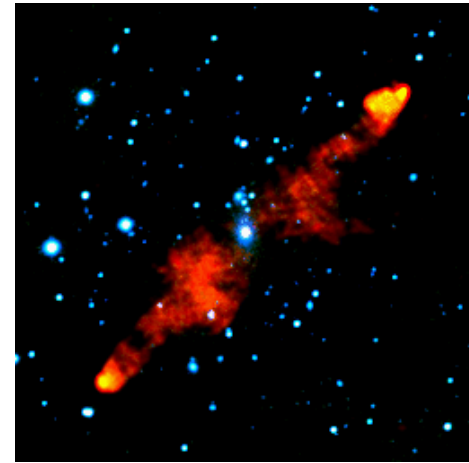
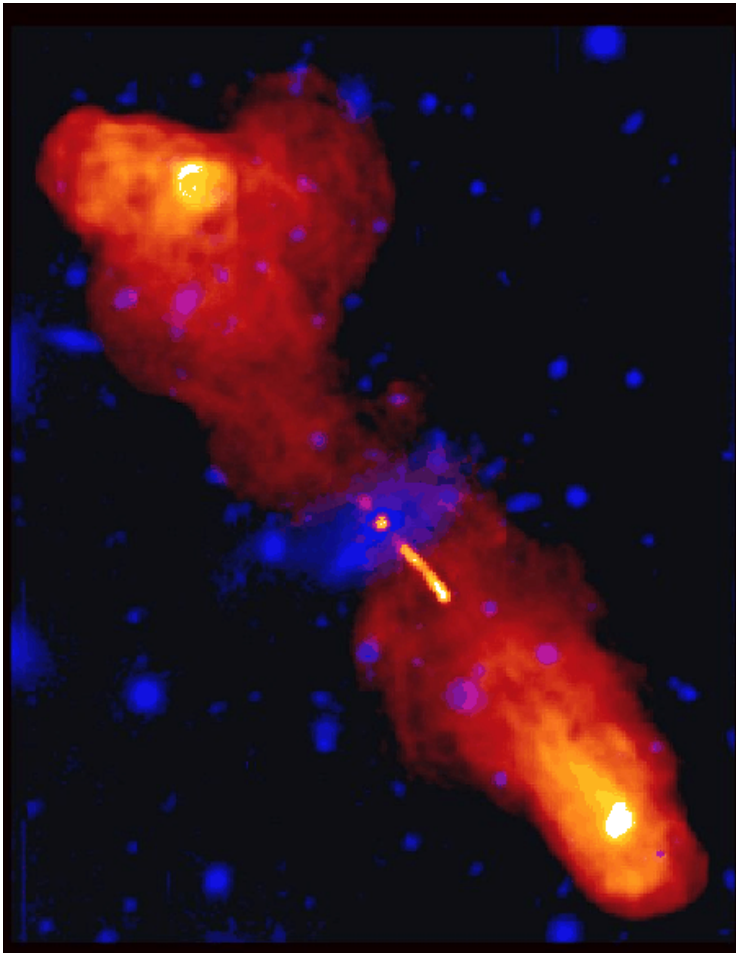
Sketch model for GRBs

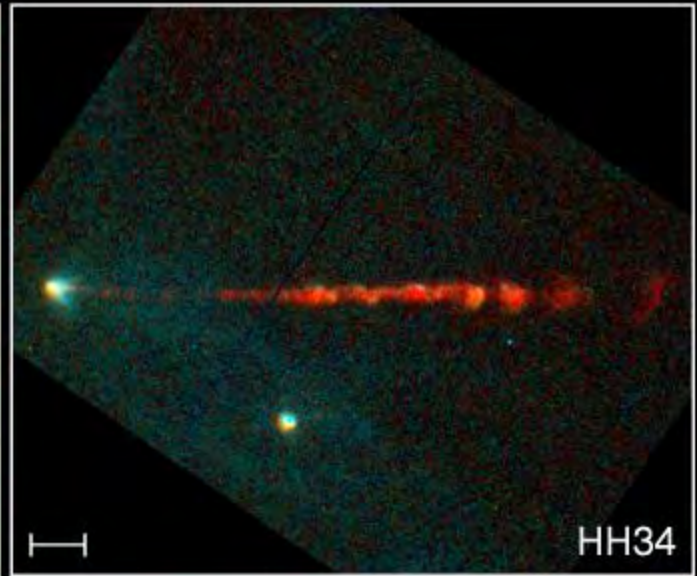
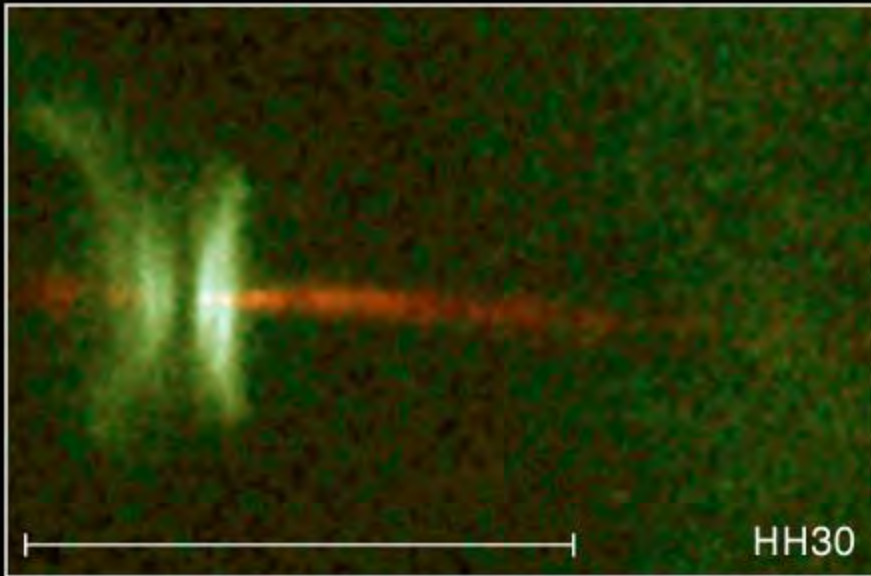


Likely "inner engines"



Other objects making jets





Jets from Young Stars

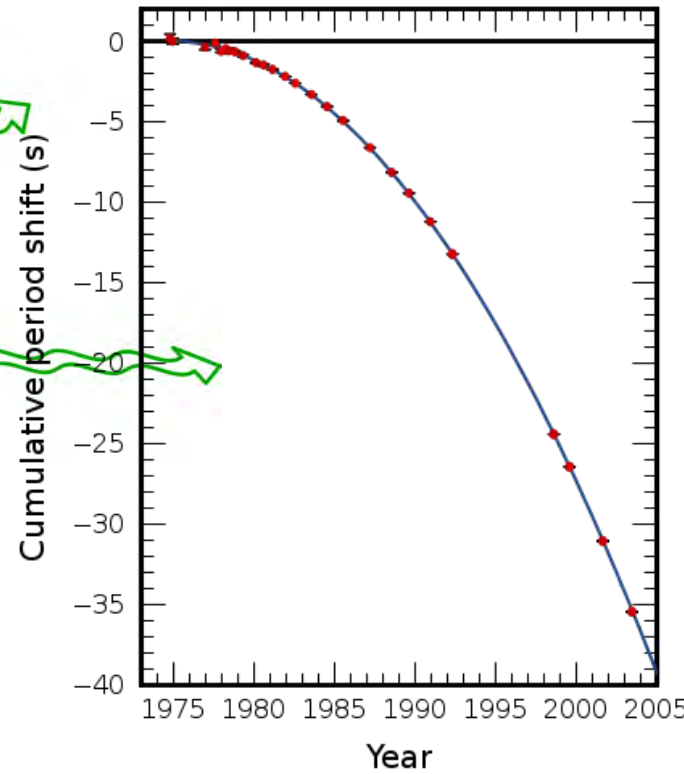
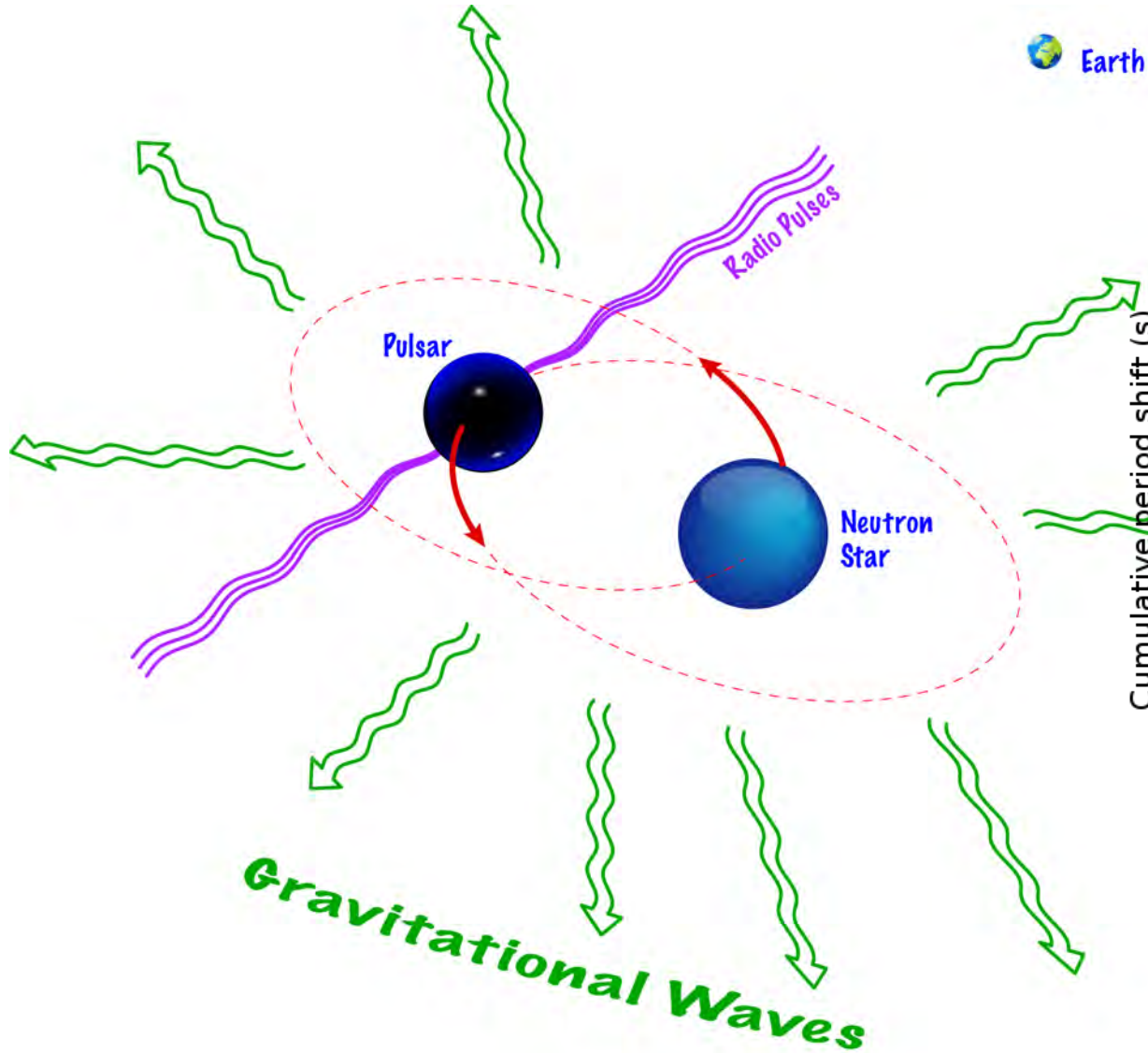
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Independent evidence for
colliding compact objects

Hulse-Taylor system





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B. P. Abbott *et al.**

(LIGO Scientific Collaboration and Virgo Collaboration)

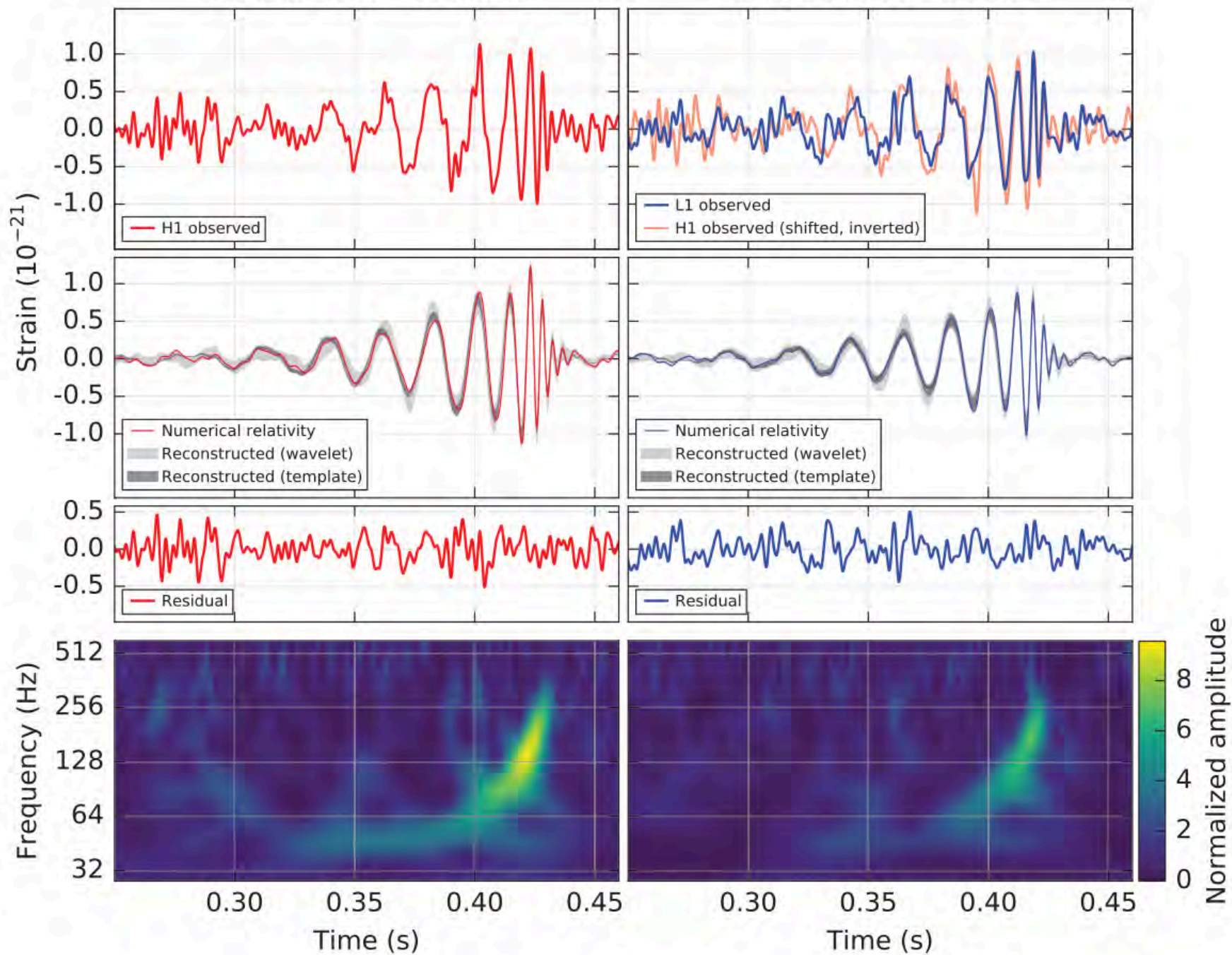
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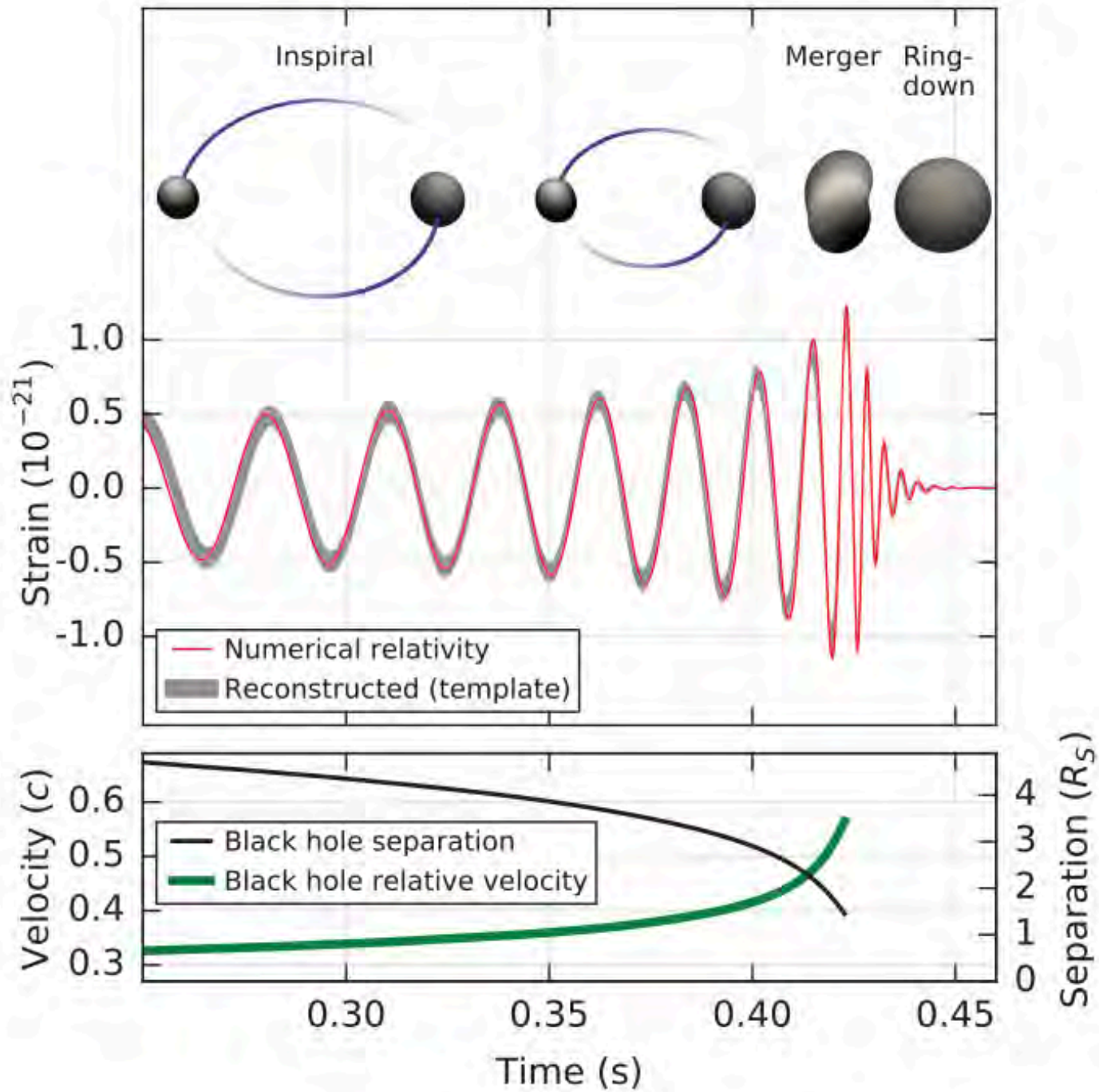
On September 14, 2015 at 09:50:45 UTC the two detectors of the Laser Interferometer Gravitational-Wave Observatory simultaneously observed a transient gravitational-wave signal. The signal sweeps upwards in frequency from 35 to 250 Hz with a peak gravitational-wave strain of 1.0×10^{-21} . It matches the waveform predicted by general relativity for the inspiral and merger of a pair of black holes and the ringdown of the resulting single black hole. The signal was observed with a matched-filter signal-to-noise ratio of 24 and a false alarm rate estimated to be less than 1 event per 203 000 years, equivalent to a significance greater than 5.1σ . The source lies at a luminosity distance of 410_{-180}^{+160} Mpc corresponding to a redshift $z = 0.09_{-0.04}^{+0.03}$. In the source frame, the initial black hole masses are $36_{-4}^{+5}M_{\odot}$ and $29_{-4}^{+4}M_{\odot}$, and the final black hole mass is $62_{-4}^{+4}M_{\odot}$, with $3.0_{-0.5}^{+0.5}M_{\odot}c^2$ radiated in gravitational waves. All uncertainties define 90% credible intervals. These observations demonstrate the existence of binary stellar-mass black hole systems. This is the first direct detection of gravitational waves and the first observation of a binary black hole merger.

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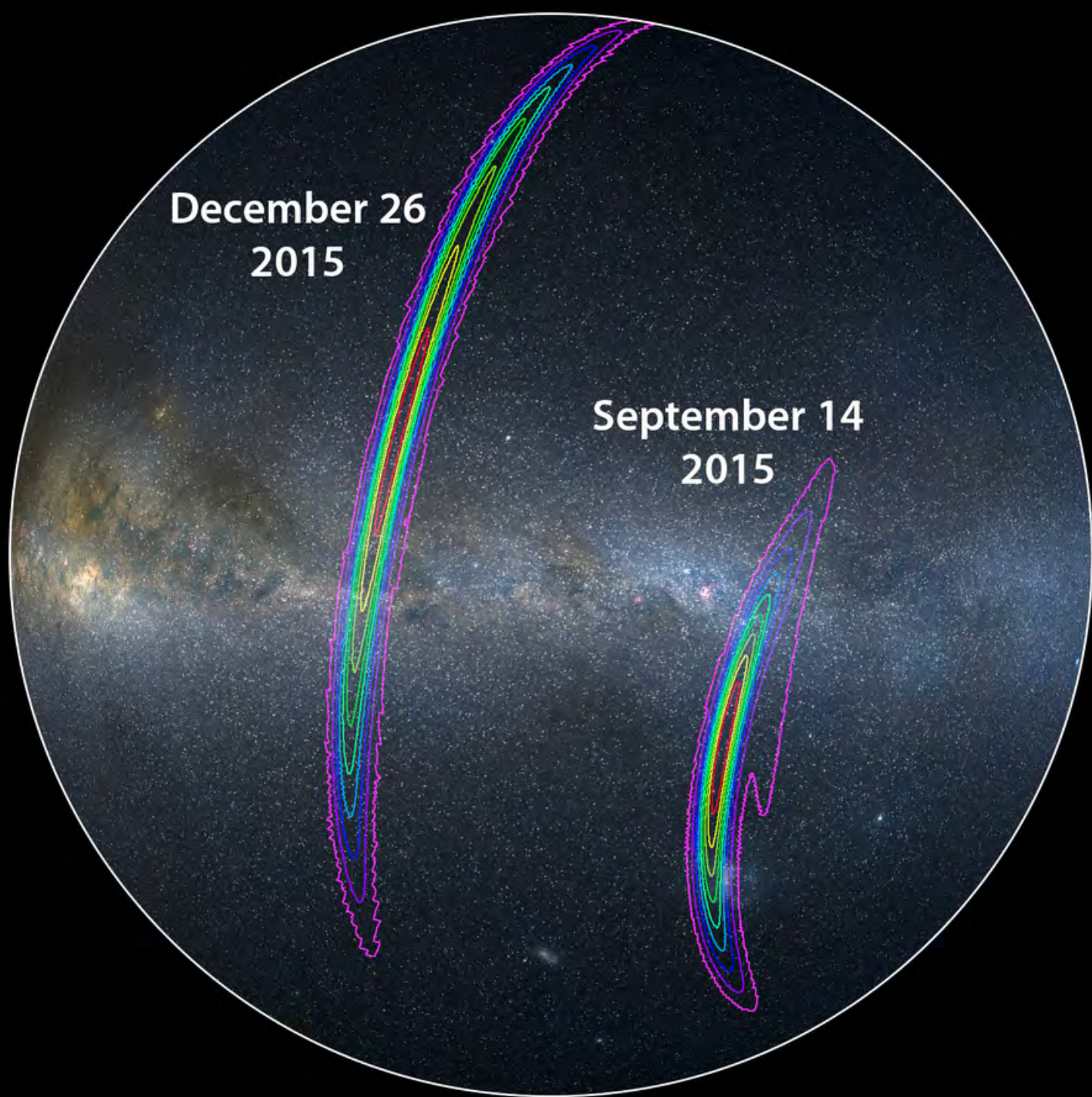


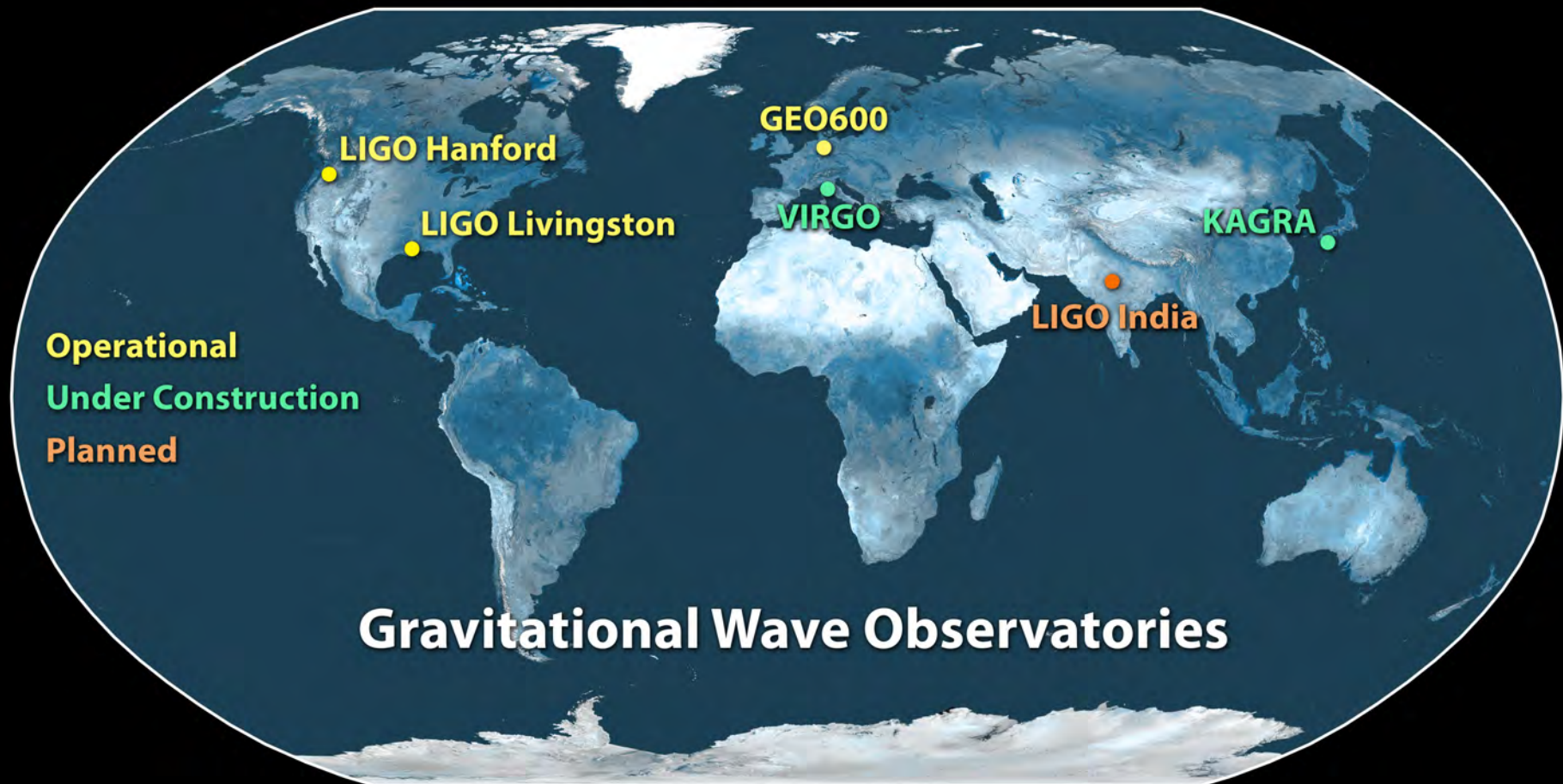




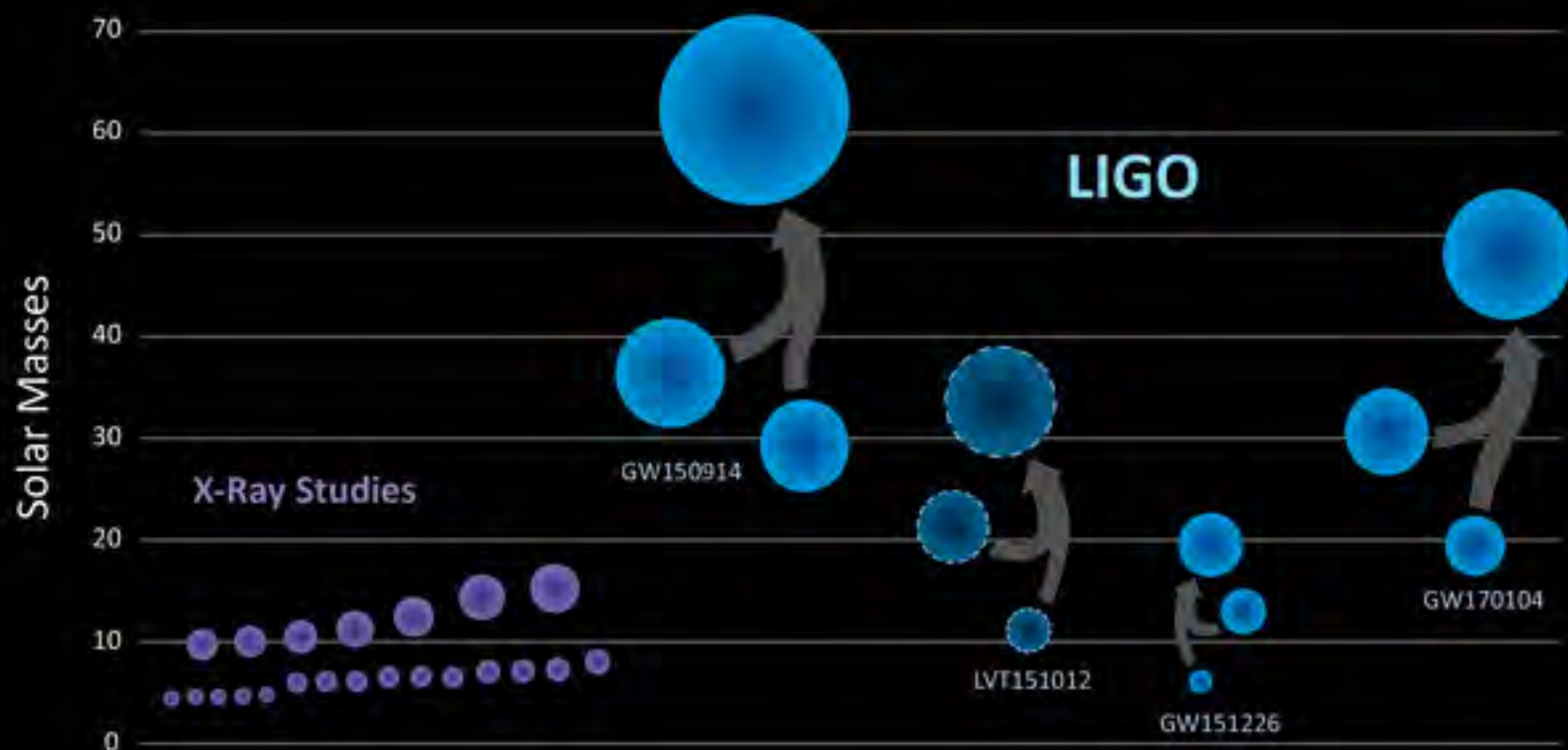
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Black Holes of Known Mass



GW170817

- NS-NS merger in NGC4993 17. august
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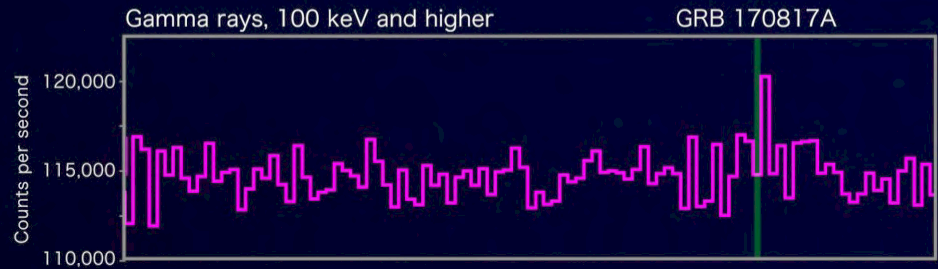
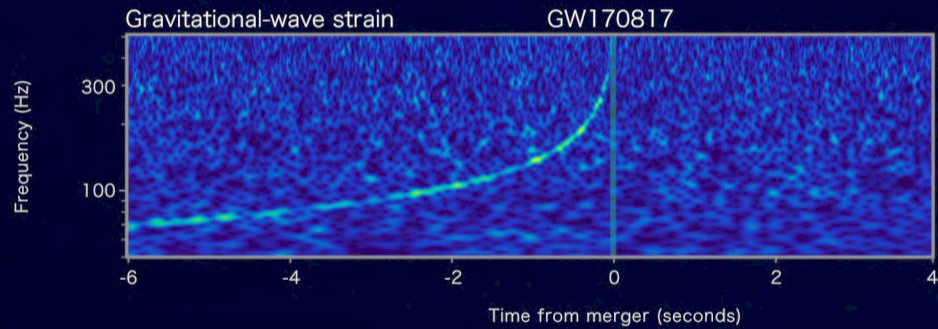
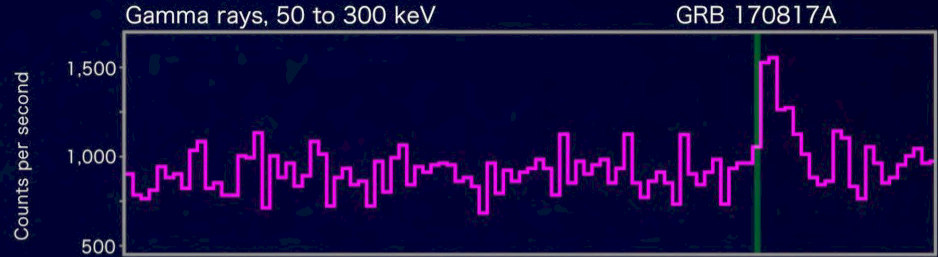
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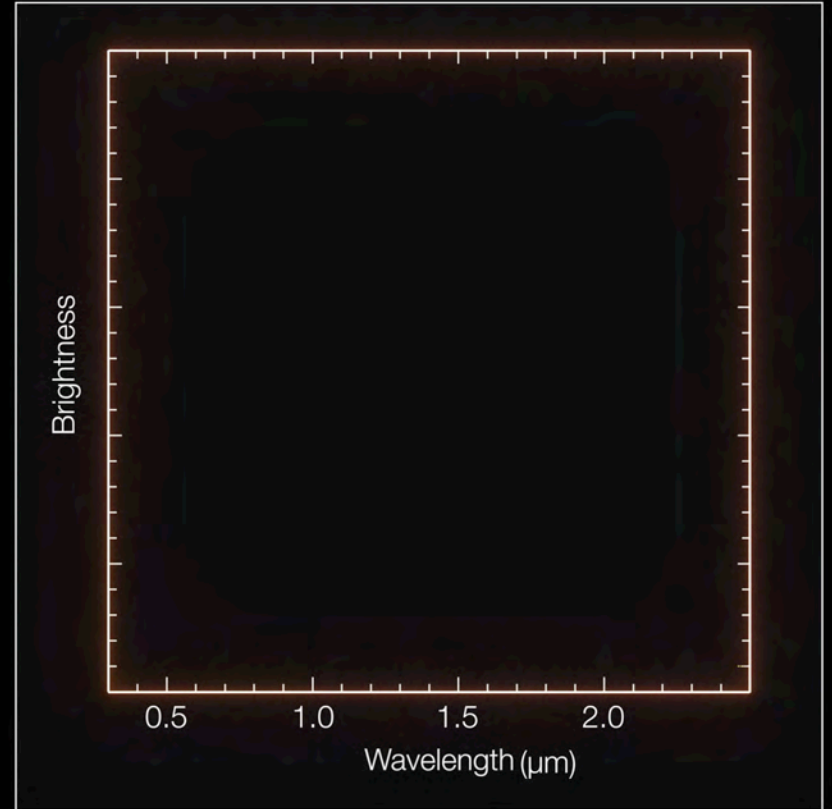
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INTEGRAL



GW170817



Time: -1225 days

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P.W. Schnoor, D.L. Welch, G.J. Fishman and A. Price report, on behalf of the AAVSO GRB-SID Network, on the detection of GRB030329 as a sudden ionospheric disturbance (SID), observed by Peter Schnoor of Kiel, Germany.

A disturbance of the Earth's ionosphere was observed coincident with the GRB030329 as an increase in the signal strength of the radio beacon received in Kiel, transmitted from the radio telescope near Geneva, 920 km from the location of GRB030329; this disturbance was associated with and/or gamma-rays from GRB030329. The radio propagation properties of the signal depend on the first longitude and latitude and the frequency of the stations and monitoring stations, this is the case for the location where GRB030329 illuminated the Earth.

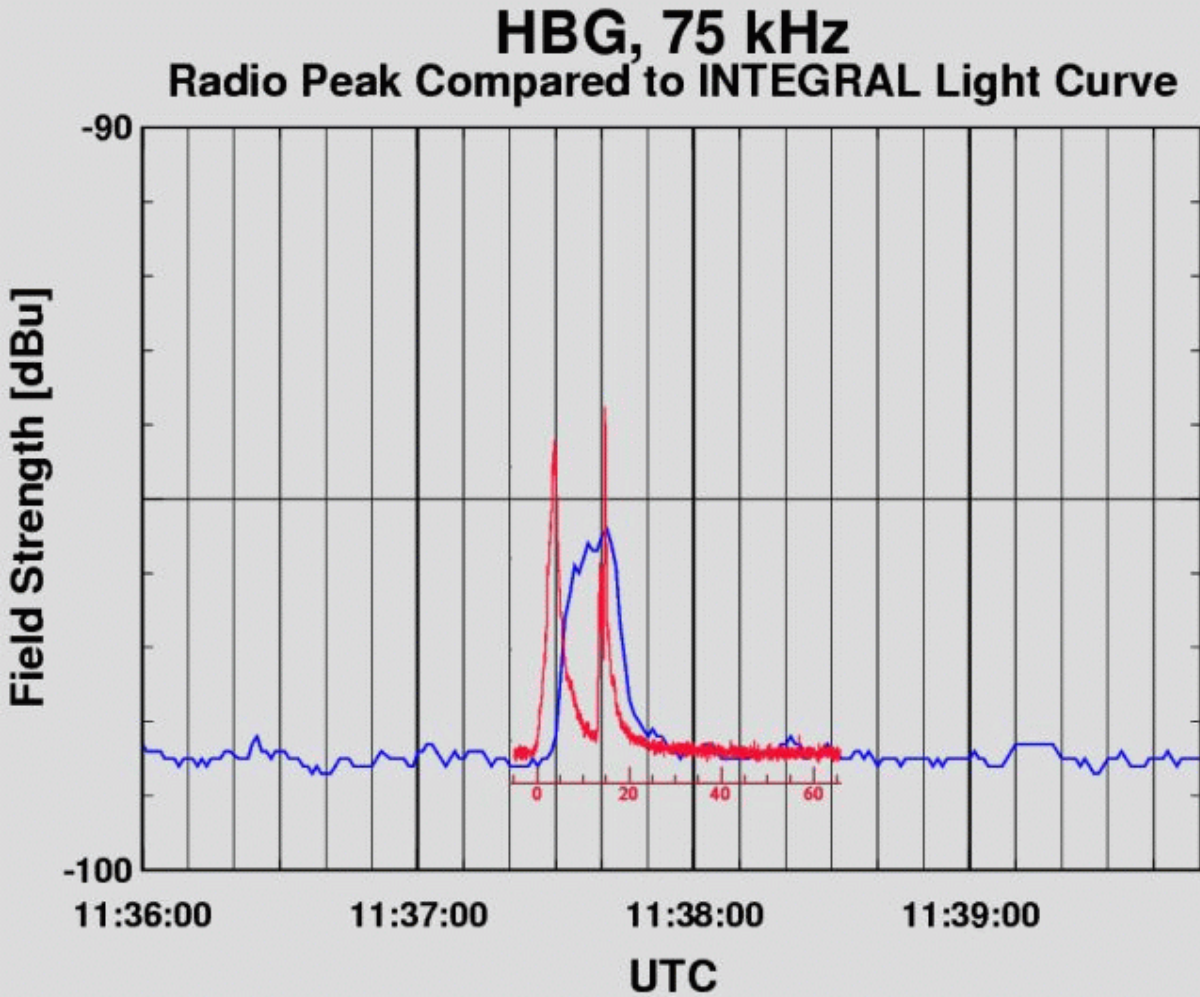


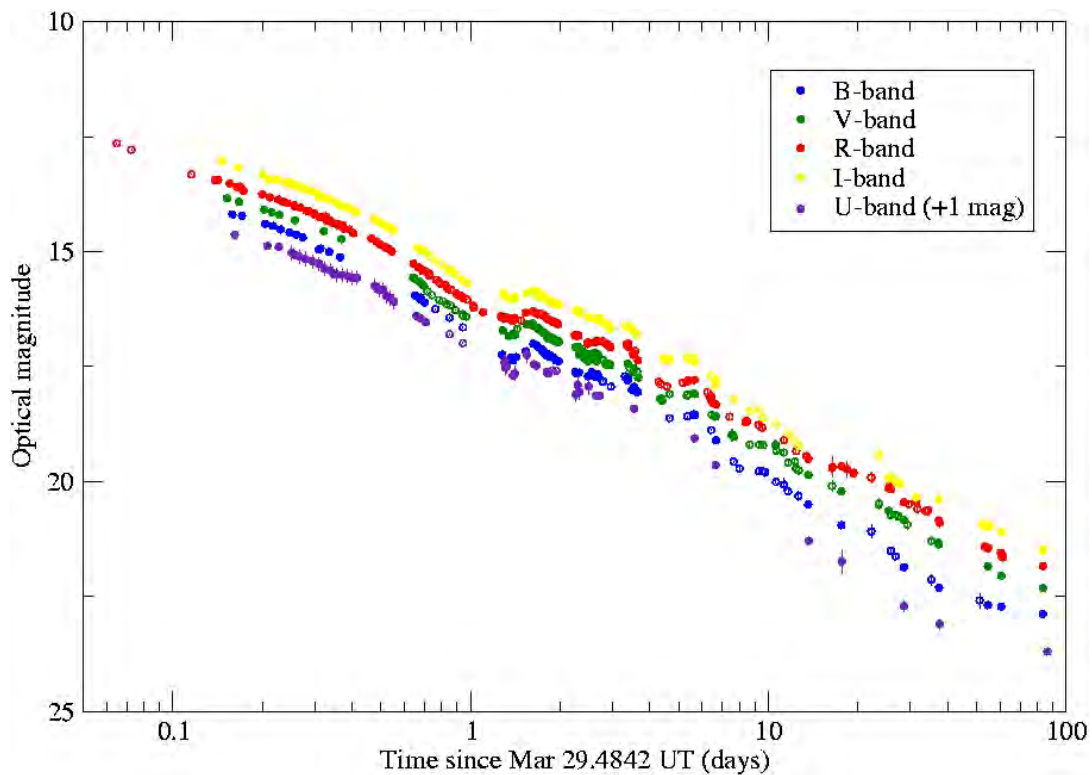
Figure 1 shows one with an overlay of the INTEGRAL light curve. The URL <http://www.aavso.org/sid/index.html> is also available at this site.

Quantitative, future observations are required to be made of the prompt emission incident at the Earth over an area that is not now attainable with any current mission. The launch of the NASA GLAST mission

high-energy sources have been reported, as measured with VLF (see e.g. Inan, v.331, p.418, 1988); XRF emission from SGR 1900+14 (Inan, 1999).

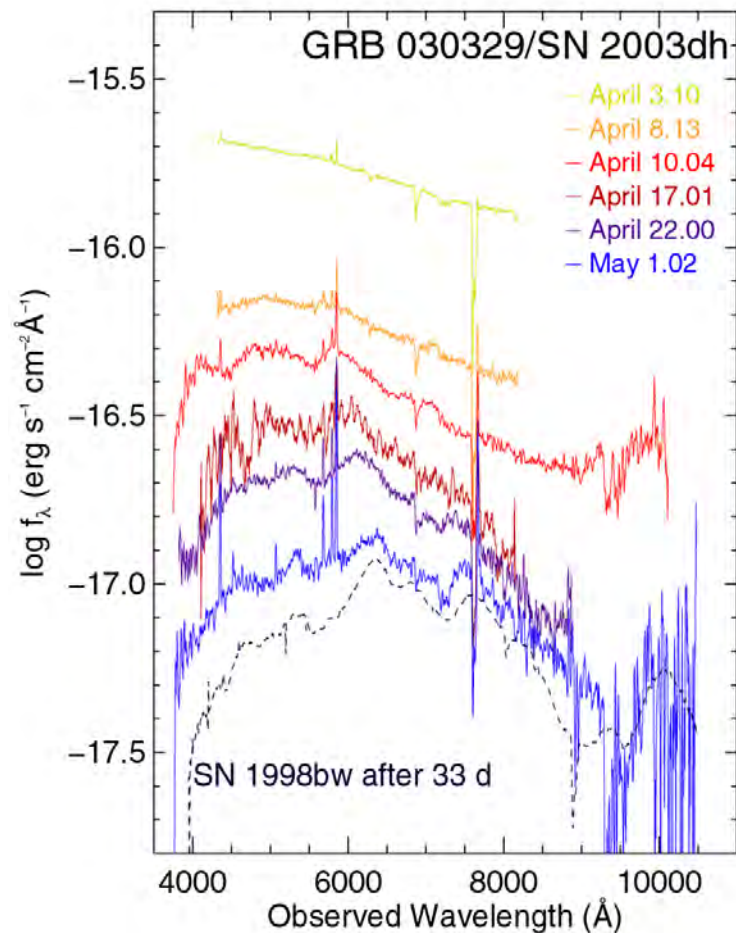
The AAVSO SID-GRB network is a worldwide network of observers monitoring VLF and LF beacons for SIDs of non-solar origin. The AAVSO Solar Committee has been monitoring and reporting solar-induced SIDs since the 1950's. This group intends to continue and expand this monitoring network.

GRB 030329 optical afterglow and SN

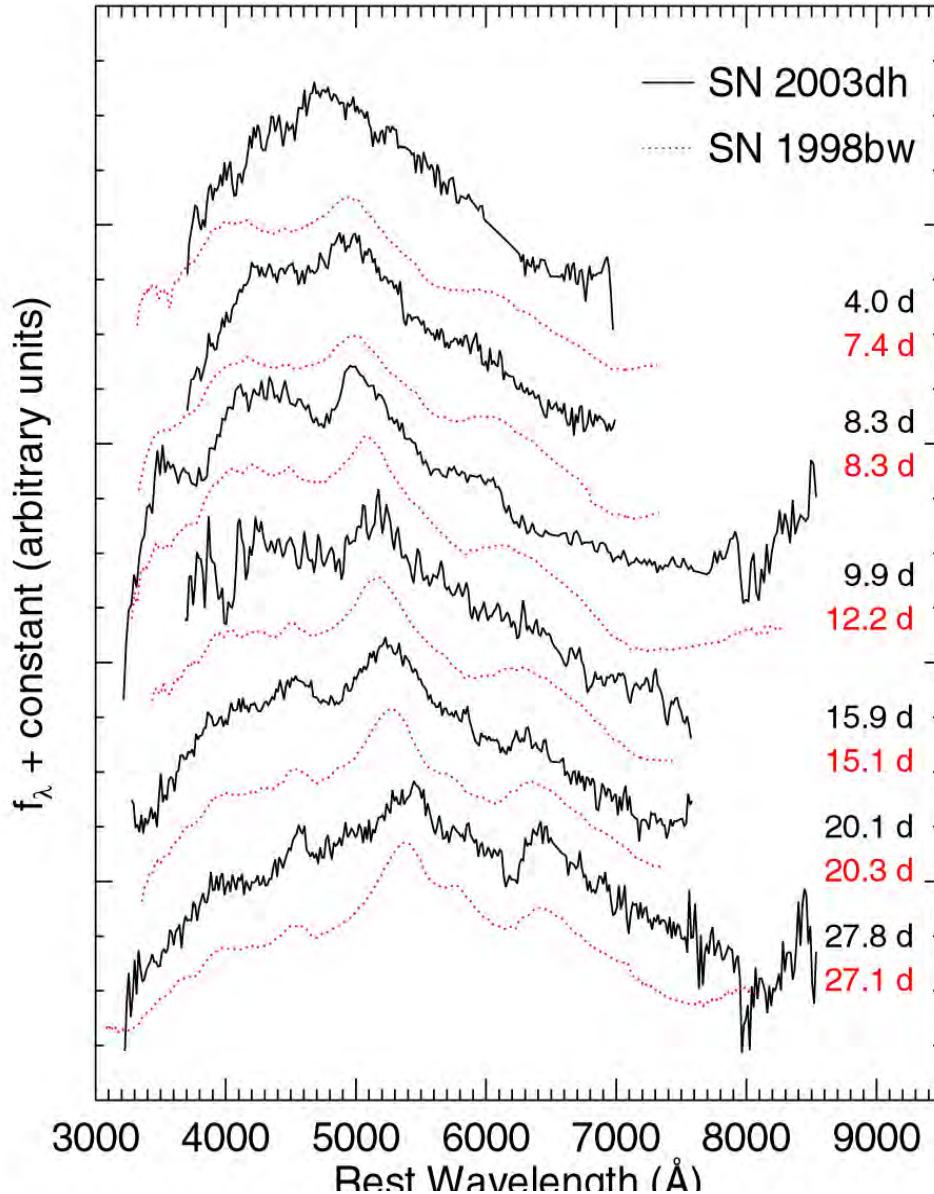


Redshift: $z=0.1685$ (0.810 Gpc).

Afterglow: very bright X-ray/optical/radio



SN 2003dh/GRB030329



Very similar to SN1998bw:

- broad lines $\text{\textcircled{R}}$ large

Expansion velocity

- type Ic (no H or He abs.)

- very bright

- "Hypernova"

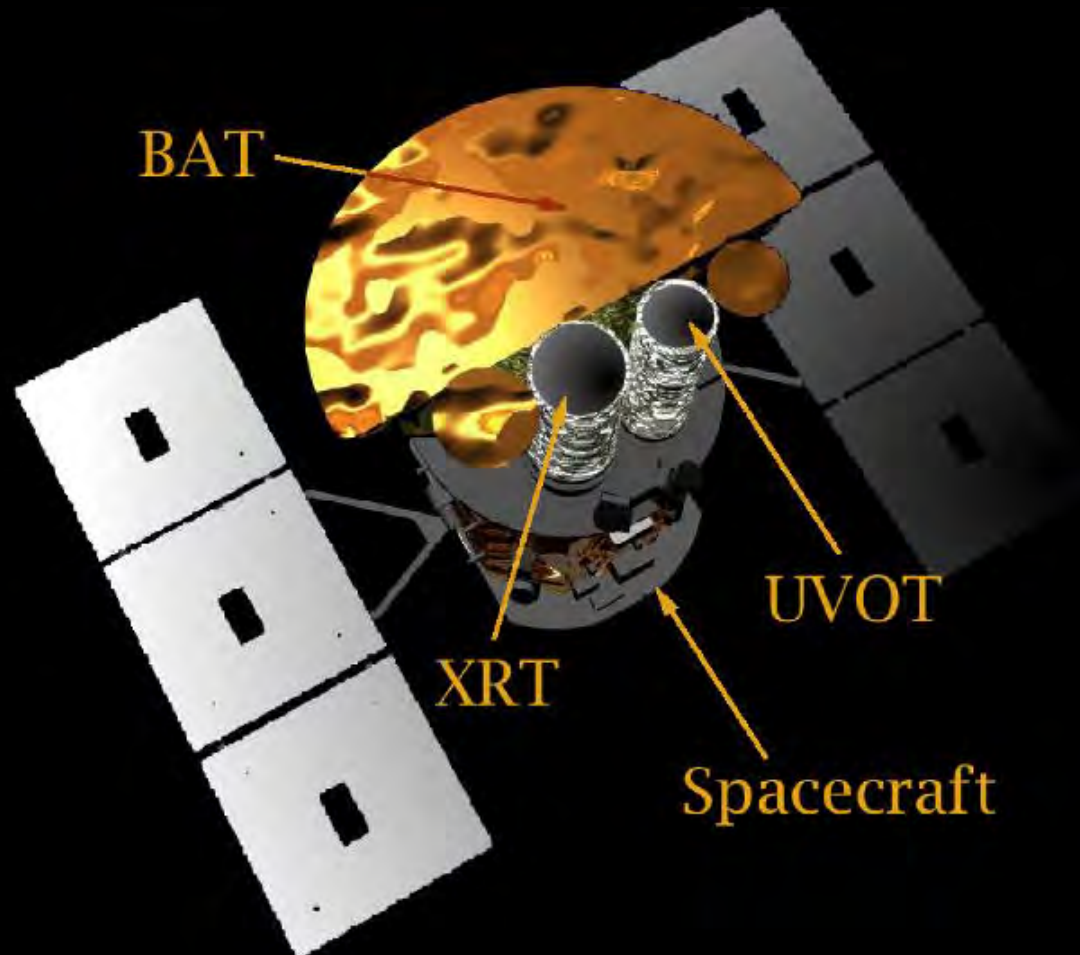
$\text{\textcircled{R}}$ Progenitor Wolf Rayet star ("envelope stripped").

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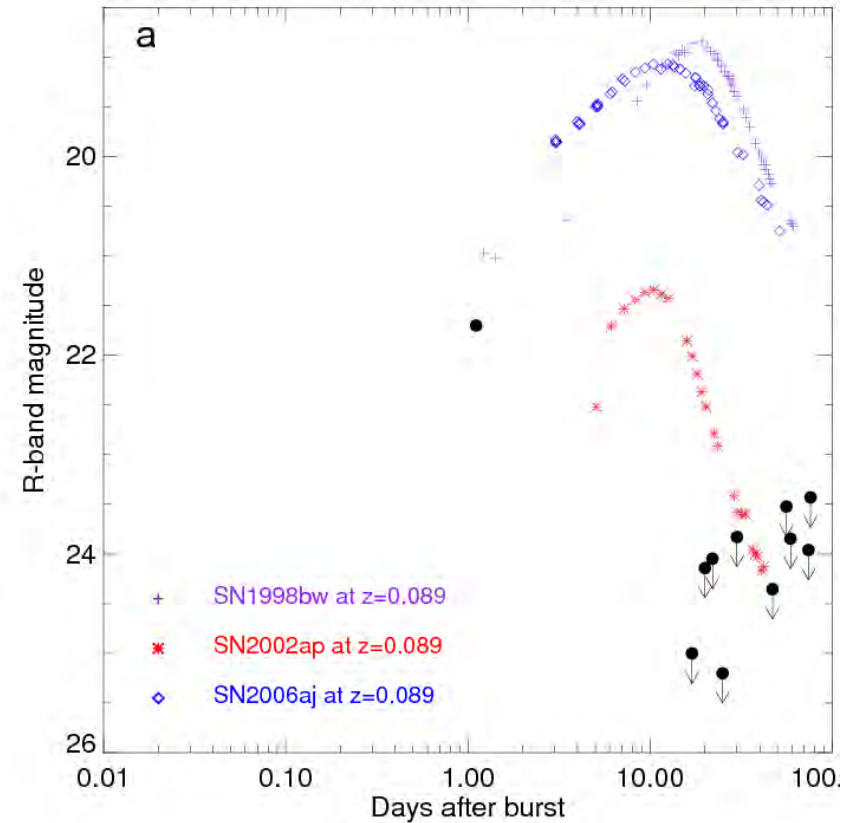
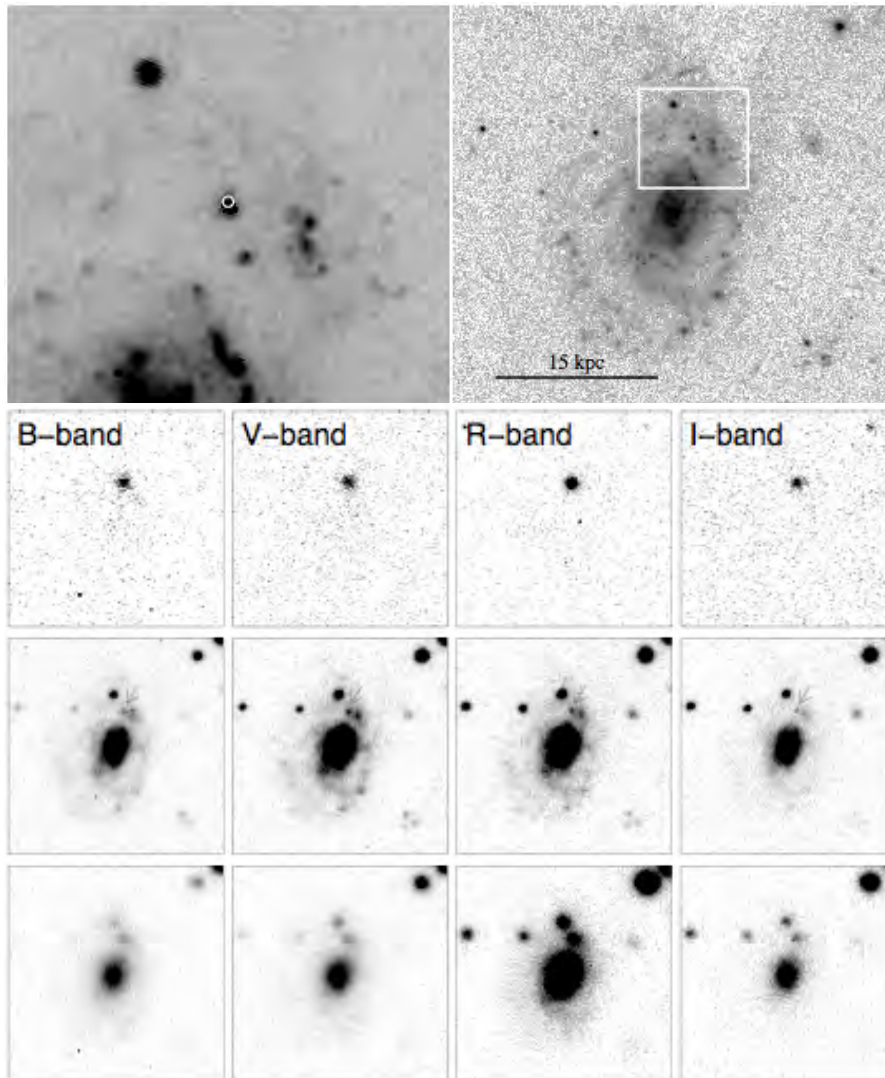
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Latest GRB satellite: Swift (2. november 2004)

- More detections (1 per week)
- More precise positions
 - BAT: 1-3 arcmin / 100%
 - XRT: 2-6 arcsec / >90%
 - UVOT: <1 arcsec / 30%
- More rapid (few sec after the bursts)



GRB060505: Can massive stars die without supernova-explosions?

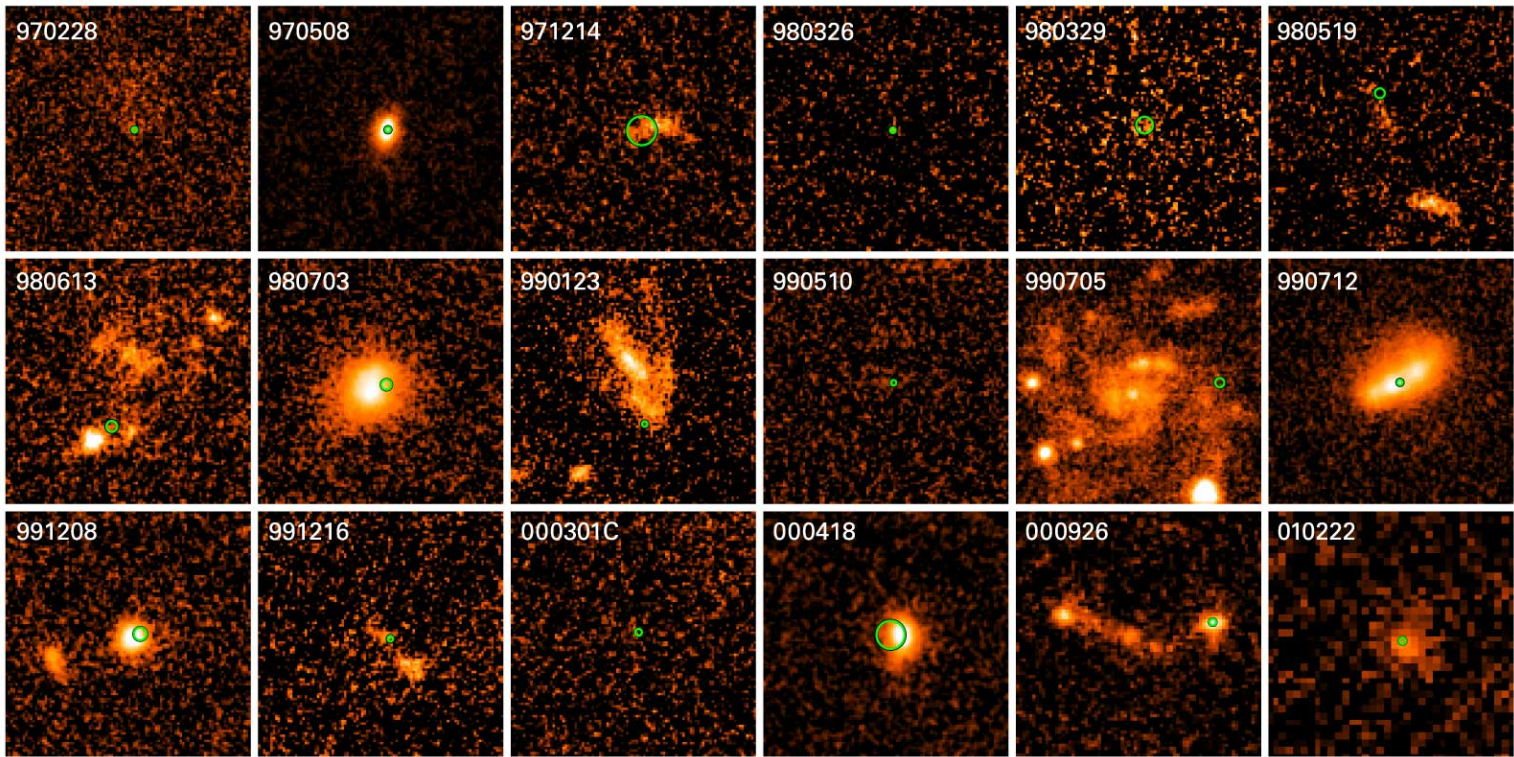


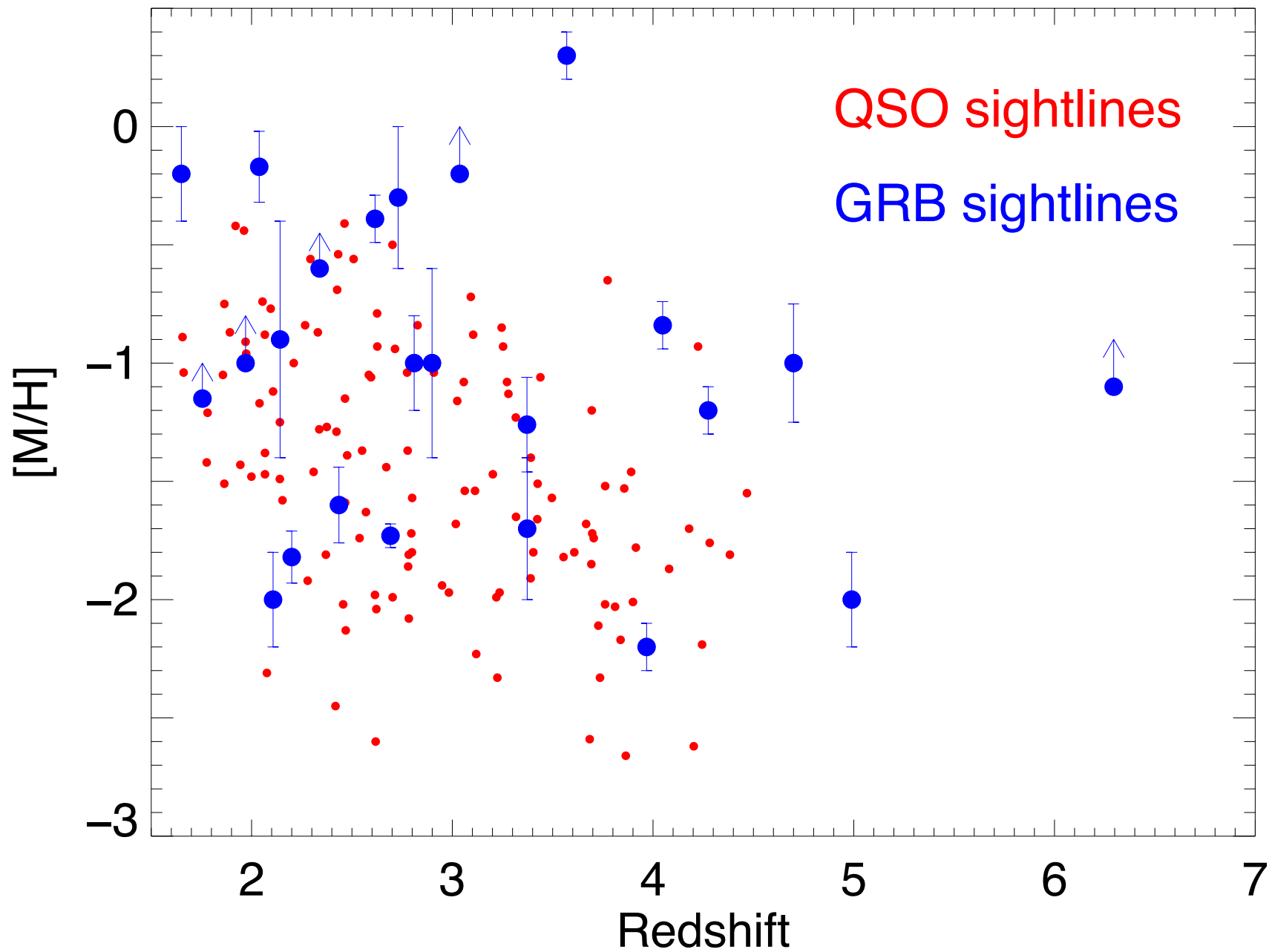
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What are we we doing now?

- We try to buld a statistical sample of GRBs to probe star formation and galaxies through out osmic history. Hard work, but very interesting...





Thanks for your attention...

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