

Gravitational waves from short Gamma-Ray Bursts

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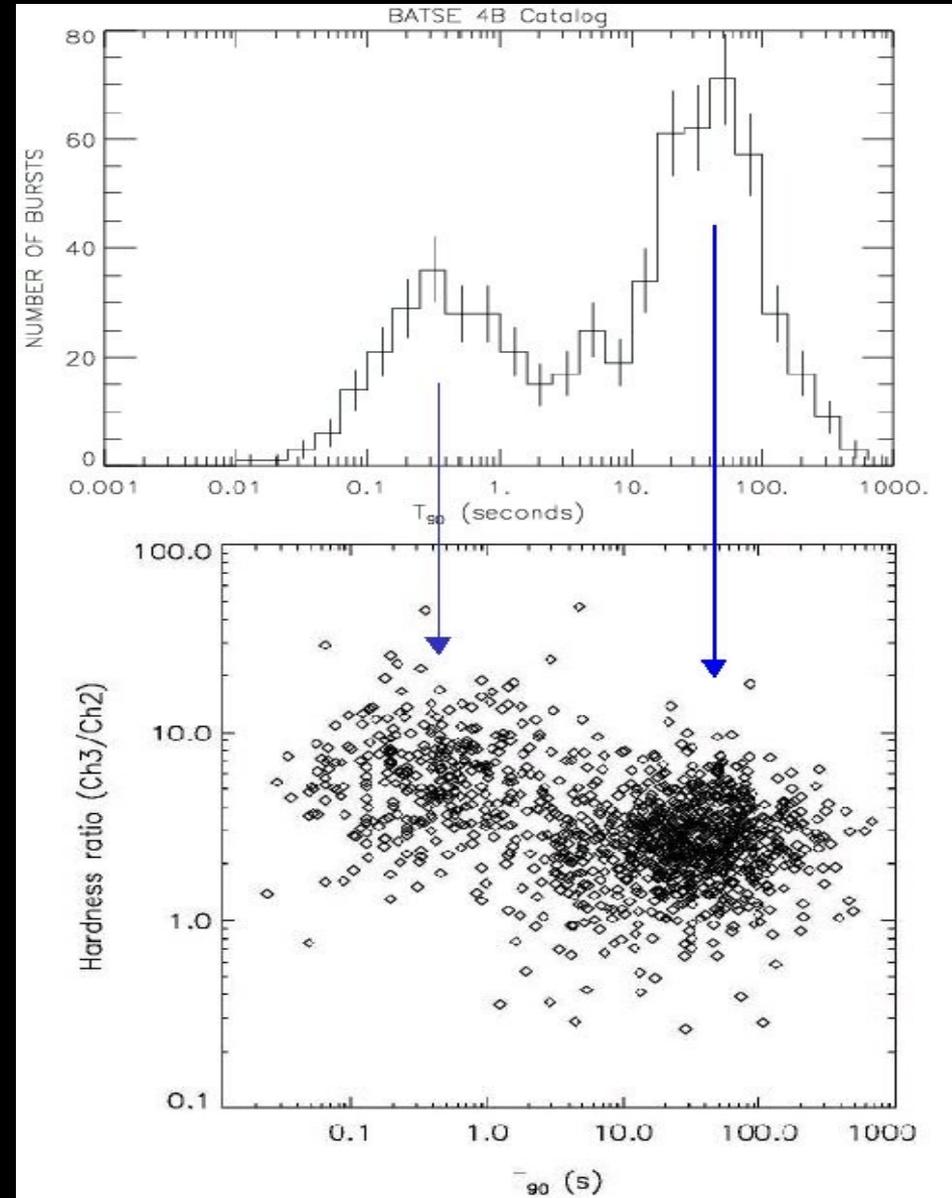


Two different classes of Gamma-Ray Bursts

- GRBs duration distribution is bimodal (e.g. Briggs et al. 2002)

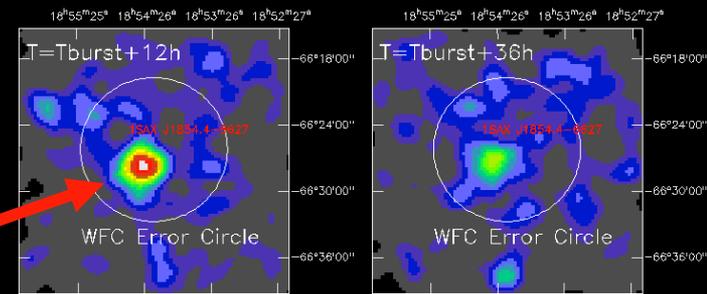
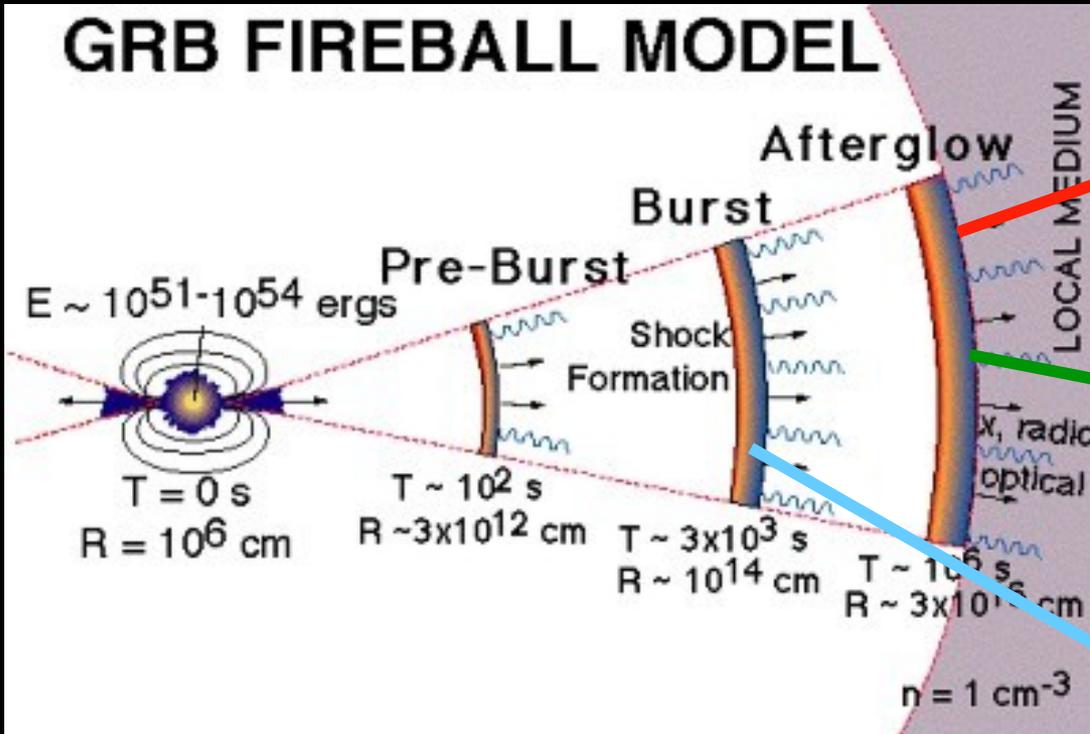
- 0.1-1 s → Short bursts
- 10-100 s → Long bursts

- Short GRBs are harder than long GRBs (e.g. Fishman & Meegan, 1995; Tavani 1996).

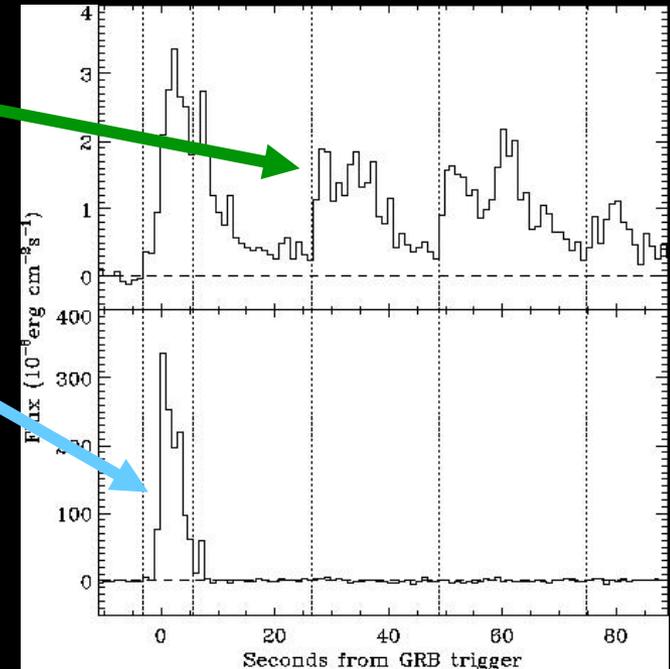


GRB Fireball, Energy and Beaming

GRB 000214 X-ray afterglow (BeppoSAX MECS)



(Antonelli et al., 2000, Ap.J.Lett., in press)



A few, very luminous GRBs (e.g. GRB990123 $z=1.6$) have (isotropic) energies:

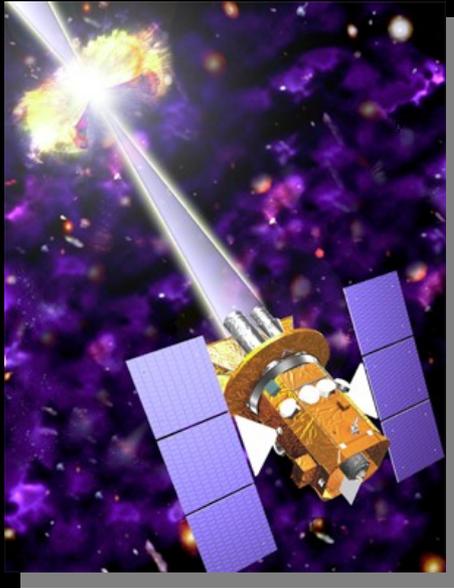
$$E(\text{iso}) = 4 \times 10^{54} \text{ erg}$$

GRBs may be beamed (~few degree opening angle)

$$E(\text{true}) = f_b E(\text{iso}) = 10^{51} - 10^{52} \text{ erg}$$

f_b is the fraction of the 4π solid angle within which the GRB is emitted

Swift



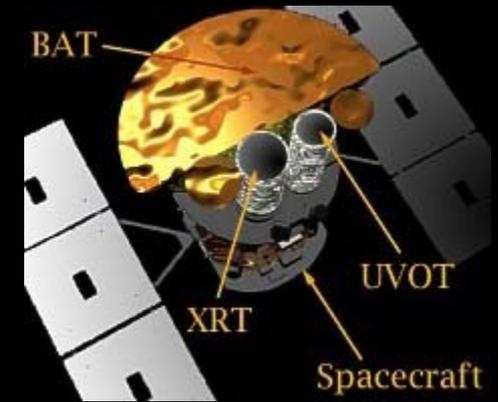
- USA, I, UK mission dedicated to GRB Science
- Italian contribution:
 - XRT
 - Malindi Ground Station
 - MISTICI follow up

Instrumentation

Burst alert telescope (BAT) 10-150 keV

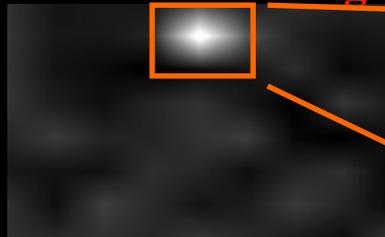
X-ray telescope (XRT) 0.3-10 keV

UV-optical telescope (UVOT) U-I



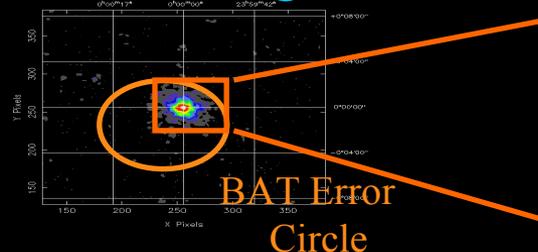
1. Burst Alert Telescope triggers on GRB, calculates position to < 4 arcmin
1. Spacecraft autonomously slews to GRB position in 20-70 s
1. X-ray Telescope determines position to < 5 arcseconds
1. UV/Optical Telescope images field, transmits finding chart to ground

BAT Burst Image



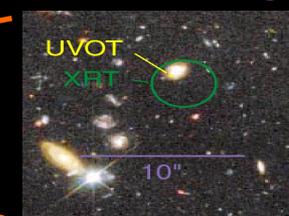
$T < 10$ s, $\theta < 4'$

XRT Image



$T < 100$ s, $\theta < 5''$

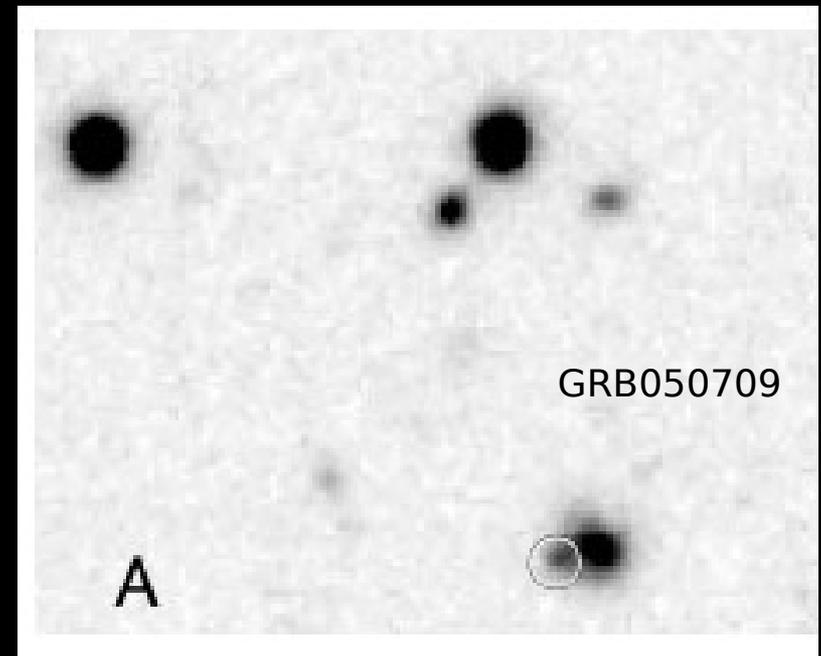
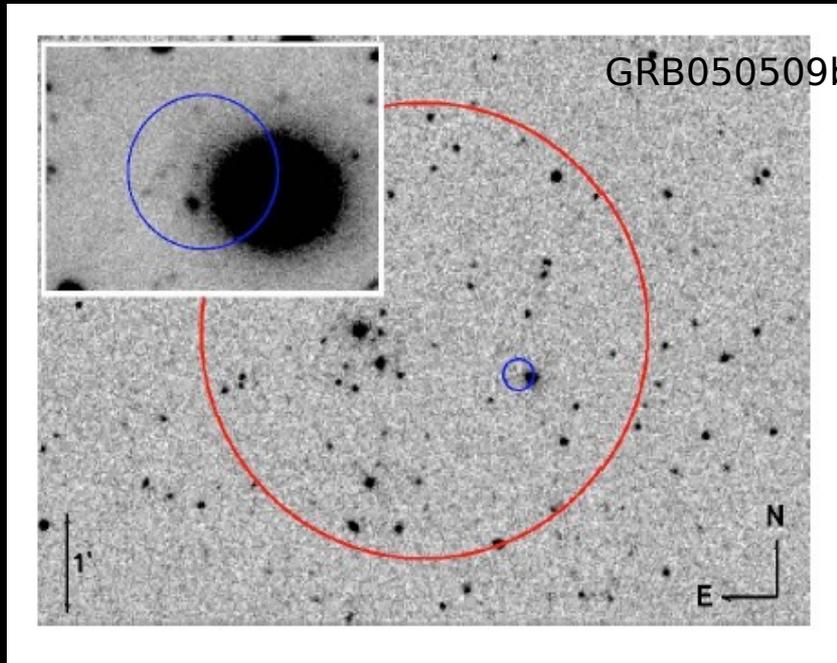
UVOT Image



$T < 300$ s

Host Galaxies of Short GRBs

- Short GRBs are located inside or close to early type galaxies with low star formation activity, BUT some are found in galaxies with star formation activity.



- Short GRBs are NOT associated to Supernovae
- Short GRB are at cosmological distances but at smaller redshifts than Long GRBs **Average $\langle z \rangle \sim 0.2$ for short and $\langle z \rangle \sim 2$ for long**
- Short GRB are ~ 100 times less energetic than Long GRBs

Summary on short GRBs (SHB)

- Bursts that last less than 2 sec
- SHBs are harder than long bursts and comprise 1/4 and 1/10 of the BATSE and Swift samples
- Swift first determination of SHBs afterglows and host galaxies
- First determination of the redshift ~ 11 bursts over 30 detected
- First indication of beaming.

Coalescing binary models

Association of Short GRBs to low SFR galaxies + absence of SN :
favors models in which there is a long delay (Gyrs) between the formation of the neutron star (or black hole) and the Short GRB explosion.

Merging (or Coalescing) binary models for Short GRBs

Neutron Star + Neutron star (NS-NS) or Neutron Star + Black hole (NS-BH)

Strong Gravitational Wave Sources !

NS-NS/BH merging progenitors of SHBs

- Merging binary systems containing two collapsed objects: DNS, BH-NS and BH-BH, emit most of their binding energy in gravitational waves (GW), they are prime targets for **LIGO and VIRGO and their advanced versions.**
- Horizons LIGO: 20 Mpc, 40 Mpc and 100 Mpc
advanced LIGO: 300 Mpc, 650 Mpc, 1.6 Gpc
- Fundamental: the number of events, we should know the **merger rate**
- DNSs BH-NS are thought to be the sources of Short GRBs (SHBs)

How are Merging Binaries Formed ?

Through the (complex) evolution of massive binary systems:

"PRIMORDIAL
BINARIES"

Average delay time between neutron star formation and merging: 1-2 Gyr

(from population synthesis models)

BUT:

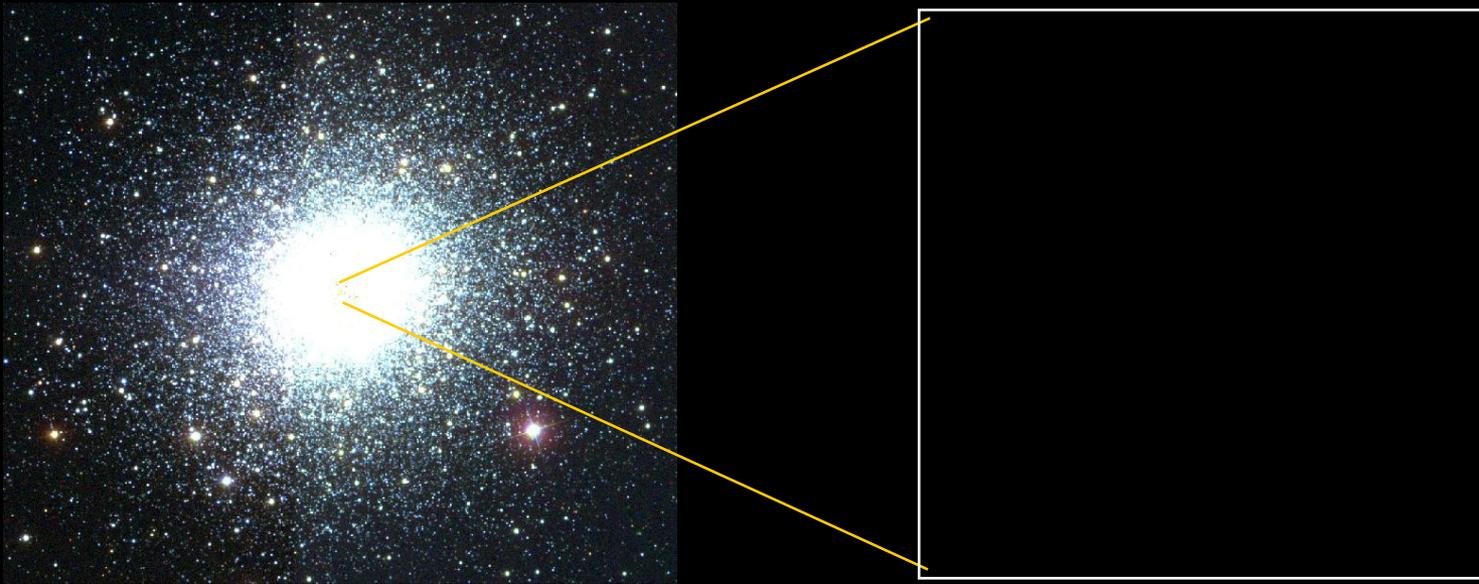
redshift distribution of short GRBs imply a longer delay of 1.5-6 Gyr:

this suggests an undetected population of merging binary systems !

(Nakar et al 2005; Piran & Guetta 2005)

Could these merging binaries form via 3-body interactions in globular clusters?

Merging Binaries can also form in Globular clusters



”Dynamically Formed Binaries”

- NS (BH) captures a normal star forming a binary system.
- The binary “exchanges” the normal star with a single NS in a 3-body interaction and forms a NS-NS or a BH-NS binary
(Grindlay et al 2006; Hopman et al 2006)
- Higher probability in post core collapse cores: $\langle \text{Delay time} \rangle \sim 6$ Gy \sim CC time

→ **more low-z SHBs**

(Guetta and Piran 05, 06, Hopman et al. 06, Salvaterra et al. 07)

Primordial Binaries' Merging Rates

Estimates are based on known NS-NS systems containing at least a radio pulsar, these were reevaluated after the discovery of double radio pulsar PSR J037-3039 selection effects (*Kalogera 2004*)

Estimates based on population synthesis studies (*Belczynski et al. 2001*) give a similar rate.

$$R \sim 80^{+200}_{-60} / \text{Myr} \quad \text{or}$$

$$R \sim 800^{+200}_{-600} / \text{Gpc}^3 / \text{yr} \quad \text{for a galaxy density of } 10^{-2} / \text{Mpc}^3$$

⇒ one event every 10 years for LIGO/Virgo

⇒ one event every 2 days for Advanced LIGO/ Virgo

BH-NS and BH-BH are expected to be 1% and 0.1 % of NS-NS binaries

⇒ BH-NS and BH-BH mergers contribute marginally to the GW event rate despite the larger distance up to which they can be detected.

Merging Binary Rates as derived from Short GRB observations

If NS-NS and NS-BH mergers give rise to Short GRBs, we can infer :

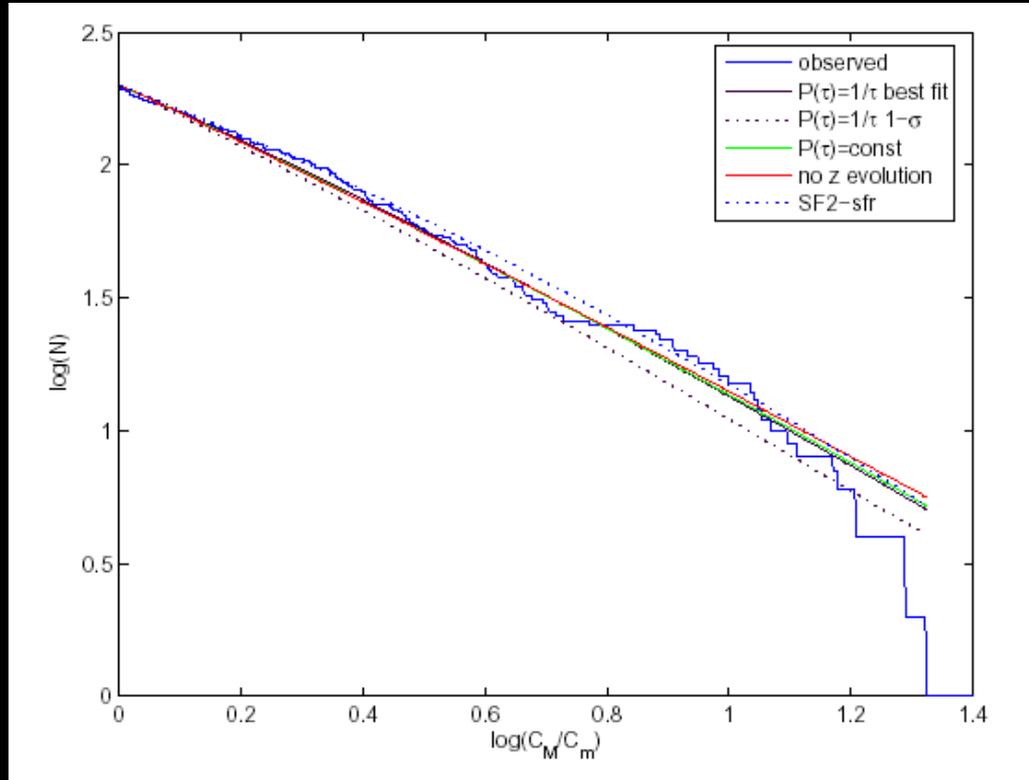
- Merging rate (and detectable GW event rate) from observations of Short GRBs
- Contribution of dynamically formed binaries to the Short GRB and GW rates

(Guetta & Piran 2005, 2006; Nakar et al. 2006, Guetta & Stella 2008)

Use:

- peak flux distribution
- redshift
- estimates of the beaming factor

Rates from Flux



$N(>F)$ Number of bursts with flux $>F$

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$n(z)$ Rate as a function of z

$\phi(L)$ Luminosity function

Rates from Flux

- Number of bursts with flux $>F$
 - Rate as a function of z
 - Luminosity function
 - Maximal redshift for detection of a burst with a luminosity L given the detector's sensitivity P .
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Rate of SHB from primordial DNS



Convolution of SFR with the merging time distribution

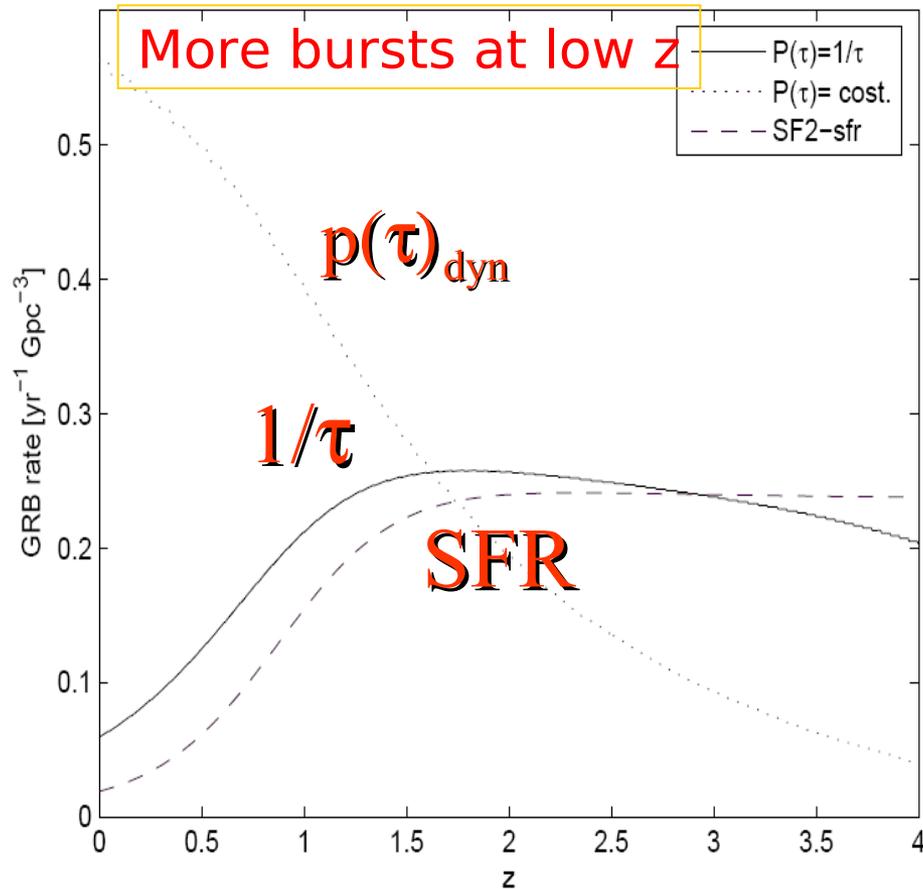
- $p(\tau) \sim 1/\tau$ - probability for a time lag $\tau \sim \tau_{GW}$ time over which GW losses bring a binary to its pre-merging stage). for primordial (Belcynski et al 2007)

Rate of SHB from dynamically formed DNS

- We have $\text{long} = \tau_{cc} + \tau_{GW}$ where $\tau_{cc} \gg \tau_{GW}$ represents the elapsed time between the birth of NSs and BHs in GCs and the dynamical formation of NS-NS/BH systems following core collapse.

$$\left(\frac{dp}{d\tau}\right)_{\text{dyn}} = \frac{d}{d\tau} \int_0^\tau dt_{cc} \frac{dp_{cc}}{dt_{cc}} \int_0^{\tau-t_{cc}} dt_{GW} \frac{dp_{GW}}{dt_{GW}}.$$

$P(\tau)$ increases with τ (Hopman et al. 2006)



More bursts at low redshift from dynamically formed systems !

Constraints on $\phi(L)$

Sample of 194 bursts detected by BATSE

The method (*Schmidt 1999*)

- SHB follow NS-NS formation rate $p(\tau) \propto 1/\tau$
- $p(\tau) = p(\tau)_{\text{dyn}}$

$$\Delta_1 \sim \Delta_2 \sim 100$$

Fitting the logN-logS the best fit values for α , β , L^* and the local rate ρ_0 can be found

Best Fit Values (using the two models separately)

Model	L^* [10^{51} erg/ sec]	α	β	ρ_0 $\text{Gpc}^{-3}\text{yr}^{-1}$
Primordial Binaries SF2-1/ τ	2	0.6	2	1.3
Dynamically Formed Binaries SF2-p(τ)	0.8	0.8	2	4.0

In the dynamical model, the rate is higher!!
More promising for GW detection

Beaming in Short GRBs and Merger Rate

In a few short GRB there is evidence of beaming
(from jet break in 050709 and 050724 $f_b^{-1} \sim 50$)

(Fox et al. 2005)

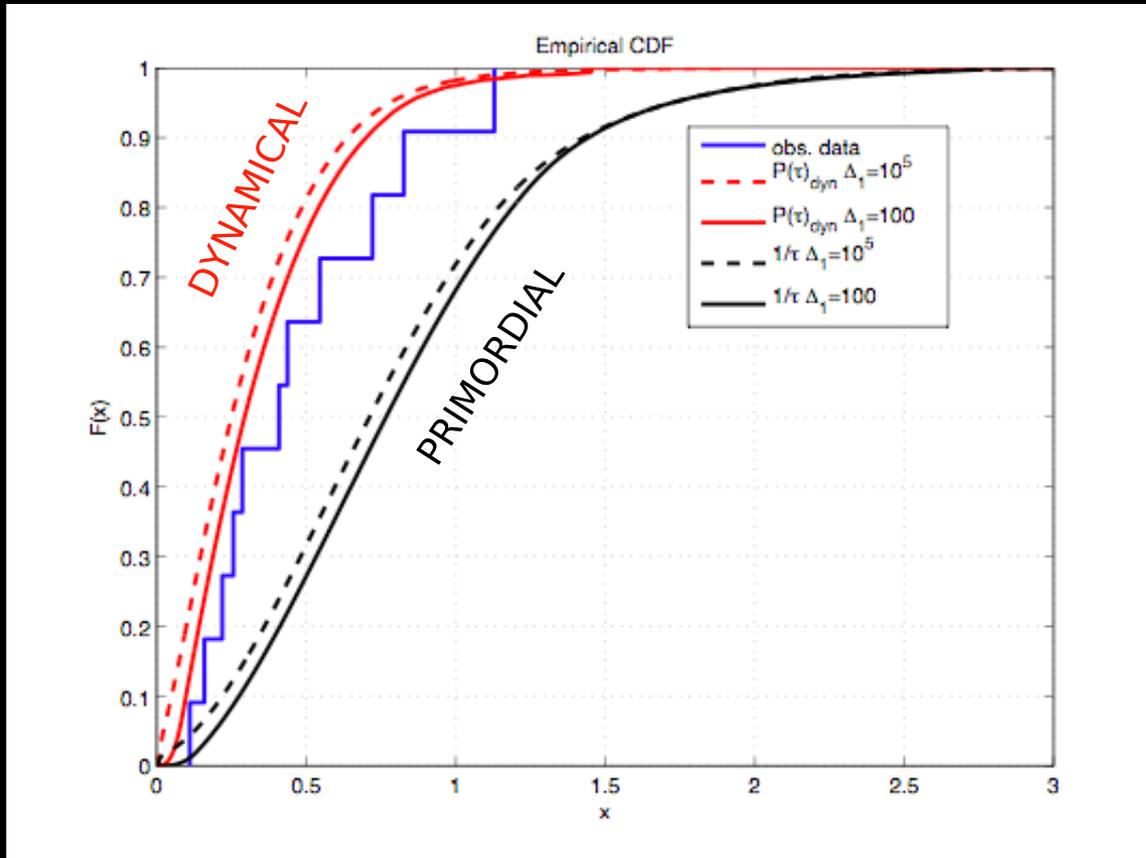
We take a beaming factor of $f_b^{-1} \sim 100$

$$R \sim \rho_0 f_b^{-1} \sim 130 (400) / \text{Gpc}^3 / \text{yr}$$

For primordial (dynamical) models.

This rate compares well with the lower end of the range
for primordial NS-NS mergers 200-2800/Gpc³/yr

Observed Redshift Distribution vs Models



- Dynamical formed mergers fit the data better
(but primordial mergers cannot be excluded)

- Bimodal origin of Short GRBs:

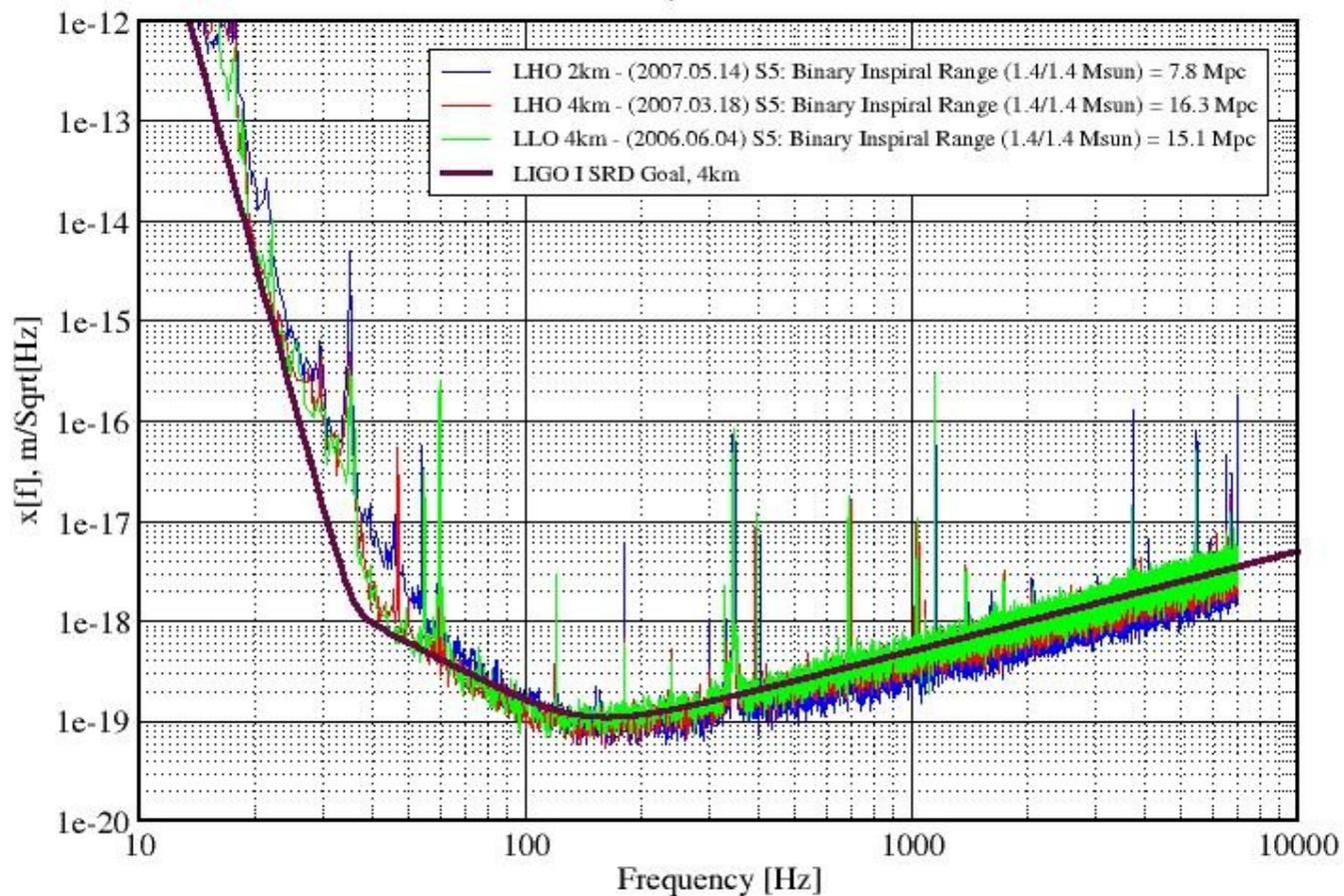
low- z (mainly) from dynamically formed coalescing binaries
high- z from primordial coalescing binaries

LIGO Livingston Observatory Laser Interferometer GW-Observatory



Displacement Sensitivity of the LIGO Interferometers

Performance for S5 - May 2007 LIGO-G070367-00-E



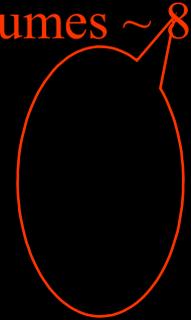
Perspectives for GW detections

Local rate of SHBs has implications for the number of GW events that can be detected. **NS-NS and NS-BH systems formed in GCs may well improve the chances of detecting GW signals because:**

1. Local SHB rate has a substantial contribution from dynamically formed mergers (best fit to current data gives 60 %; unlikely to be $< 10\%$)
2. The incidence of BH-NS binaries formed dynamically is still unknown (but is likely higher than that formed in the field) and the horizon of GW interferometers to BH-NS binaries is larger than that of NS-NS systems

Number of detectable GW events

Ratio of GW accessible
volumes ~ 8



- $\eta \sim 1$ for Advanced LIGO/Virgo and 3×10^{-4} for LIGO/Virgo
- g_b incidence of BH-NS systems among merging events giving rise to short GRBs: ~ 0.01 for primordial; ~ 1 dynamical (??)
- f_b^{-1} beaming factor ~ 100

$N_{GW} \sim 1/238$ /yr (LIGO/Virgo) and
14 /yr (Advanced LIGO/Virgo) for Primordial Mergers

1/9 yr (LIGO/Virgo),
360/yr (Advanced LIGO) for Dynamically Formed Mergers.

GW – Short GRB coincidence events will afford a factor of 2.4 larger horizon in GWs: for a f_b^{-1} beaming factor ~ 100 the incidence of these events will be $\sim (2.4)^3/100 \sim 15\%$

(Guetta & Stella 2008)

Universal central engine hypothesis for GRB (Eichler, Guetta & Manis 2008)

See Eichler's talk

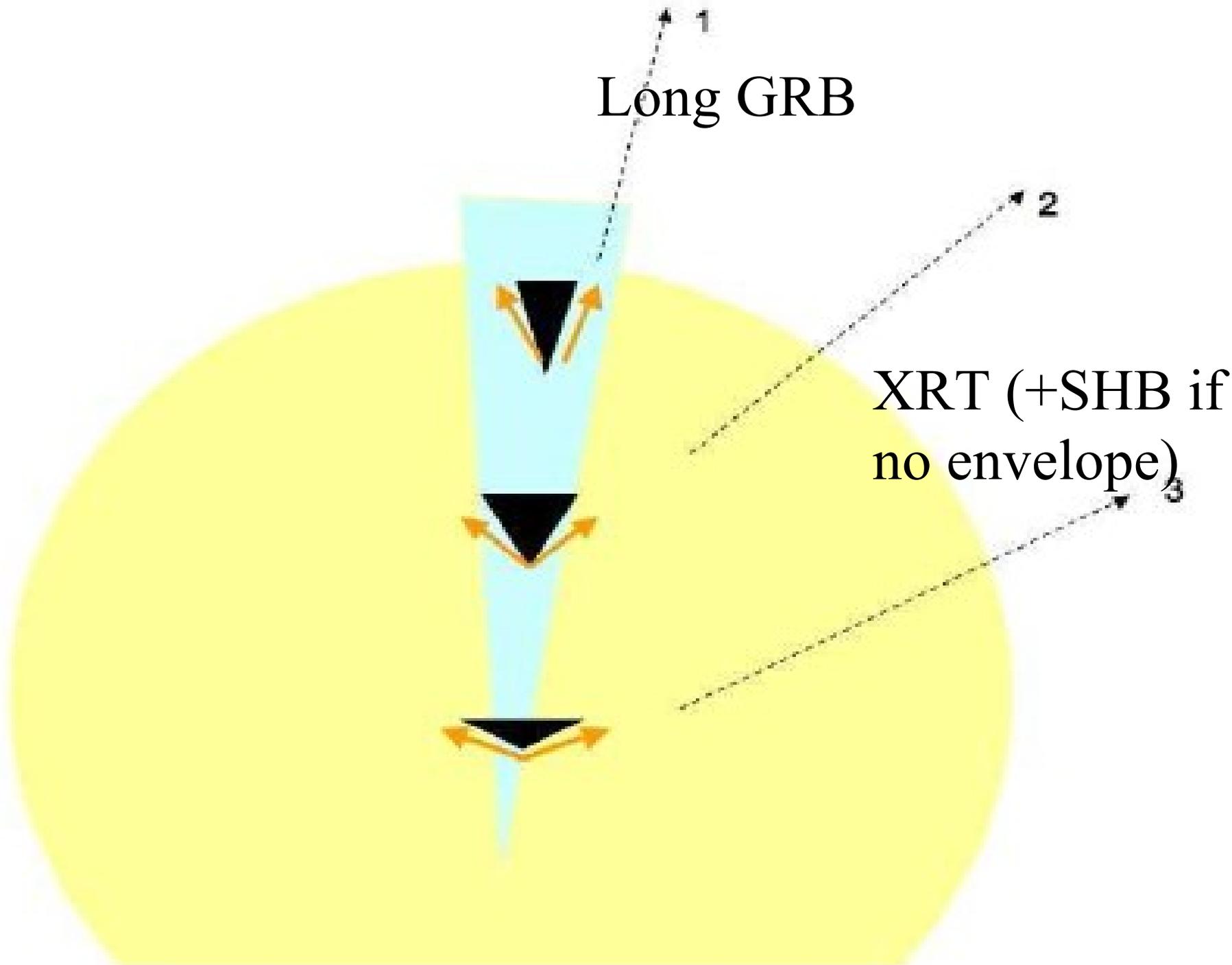
model can account for several SHB properties

- 1) hard spectra
- 2) low E
- 3) short duration

1) long soft X-ray tails (Chincarini talk).

Long GRB

XRT (+SHB if no envelope)



GRB	z	S_γ 10^{-7} erg/cm ²	$E_{\gamma,150}$ 10^{49} erg	F_x 10^{-11} erg/cm ² /s	$E_{x,150}$ 10^{40} erg	F_x (@ 300 Mpc) 10^{-11} erg/cm ² /s
050709*+	0.16	3 ± 0.38	1.4	800	3.4	3.3×10^3
050724+	0.258	6.3 ± 1	7.2	1200	10.1	9.9×10^3
051210+		1.9 ± 0.3		90		
051221+	0.546	22.2 ± 0.8	84	20	0.6	590
060313 +		32.1 ± 1.4		30		
071227+	0.383	2.2 ± 0.3	4.0	46	0.87	854
050509B	0.225	0.23 ± 0.09	0.2	0.06	4.5×10^{-4}	0.44
050813	0.7	1.24 ± 0.46	5.2	0.6	0.025	25
050906		0.84 ± 0.46		< 0.007		
050925		0.92 ± 0.18		< 0.003		
060502B	0.287	1 ± 0.13	1.15	0.1	0.001	0.98
060801		0.8 ± 0.1		0.1		
061201	0.11	3.3 ± 0.3	0.7	10	0.02	24
061217	0.827	0.46 ± 0.08	2.4	0.1	0.005	4.9
070429B	0.904	0.63 ± 0.1	3.5	0.11	0.006	5.9
070724	0.45	0.3 ± 0.2	0.6	0.05	0.0012	1.2
070729	0.904	1.0 ± 0.2	5.6	0.024	0.001	0.98
070809		1.0		0.179		
071112B		0.48		< 0.02		

WFC? YES

detected in coincidence with XRT emission from

(Guetta & Eichler 2009)

**Some SHB show X-ray tails (XRT):
emission in X lasting ~ 100 sec similar
to X-ray flashes**

**the XRF, XRT may have angle > SHB ones
therefore MAY improve GW detection**

**important parameter is the rate of XRT, R_{XRT} to detect
GW number of events use XRF from WXM, WFCO
 $\langle z \rangle_{XRF} \sim 1$ close sources (Piro et al. 2007).**

Notes: X-ray Wide Field detectors characteristics

Detector	Sky coverage sr	Sensitivity $\text{erg cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$	Effective Operation T years
WXM on HETE-2	0.806	$\sim 9 \times 10^{-9}$	~ 4
WFC on Sax	0.123	$\sim 4 \times 10^{-9}$	~ 2

WXM+WFC have detected 26 XRF

The Rates

GRB	ρ_0 $\text{Gpc}^{-3}\text{yr}^{-1}$	Reference
Long GRBs	0.1-1.1	<i>Guetta, Piran & Waxman 2005</i>
SHBs	1.3-4.0	<i>Guetta & Piran 2005, 2006</i> <i>Guetta & Stella 2009</i>
XRF (WXM & WFC)	~15	<i>Pelangeon et al. 2008,</i> <i>Guetta & Eichler 2009</i>
XRT	>1.3 & <10	<i>Guetta & Eichler 2009</i>

the XRF rate \gg long GRBs, SHB ?
 the beaming is wider

$$R_{\text{XRT}} = \rho_{0,\text{XRT}} f_{\text{b,XRT}}$$

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Conclusions

Gamma Ray Burst, if (for the most part) due to coalescing binaries, provide an independent way of estimating the NS-NS-BH merging and GW detection rates

Evidence that the local Short GRB rate is dominated by and NS-BH binaries formed in globular clusters through dynamical interactions: this increases the local rate and chances of detecting GWs from these events

Expect that further SHBs observations in Swift era will lead to late determination of f_b and R_0 , while more advanced dynamical simulations will allow a better determination for g_B

ray emission seems to be beamed in a small solid angle and only a fraction of detectable GW events is expected

incident with SHBs

Conclusions....

Alternative ways to confirm LIGO signals from coalescing neutron stars are therefore all the more desirable like X-ray tails (XRT).

We cannot prove that XRT are more common than SHB in gamma. However the fact that a fair fraction could be seen by a WFC in X ray AND the fact that the event rate for XRF is much higher than for long bursts per unit volume time, suggests that it might very well be. **WFC NEEDED !!!**