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IDENTIFICATION OF ORPHAN GAMMA-RAY BURST AFTERGLOWS IN RUBIN/LSST DATA

WITH THE AFTERGLOWPY PACKAGE

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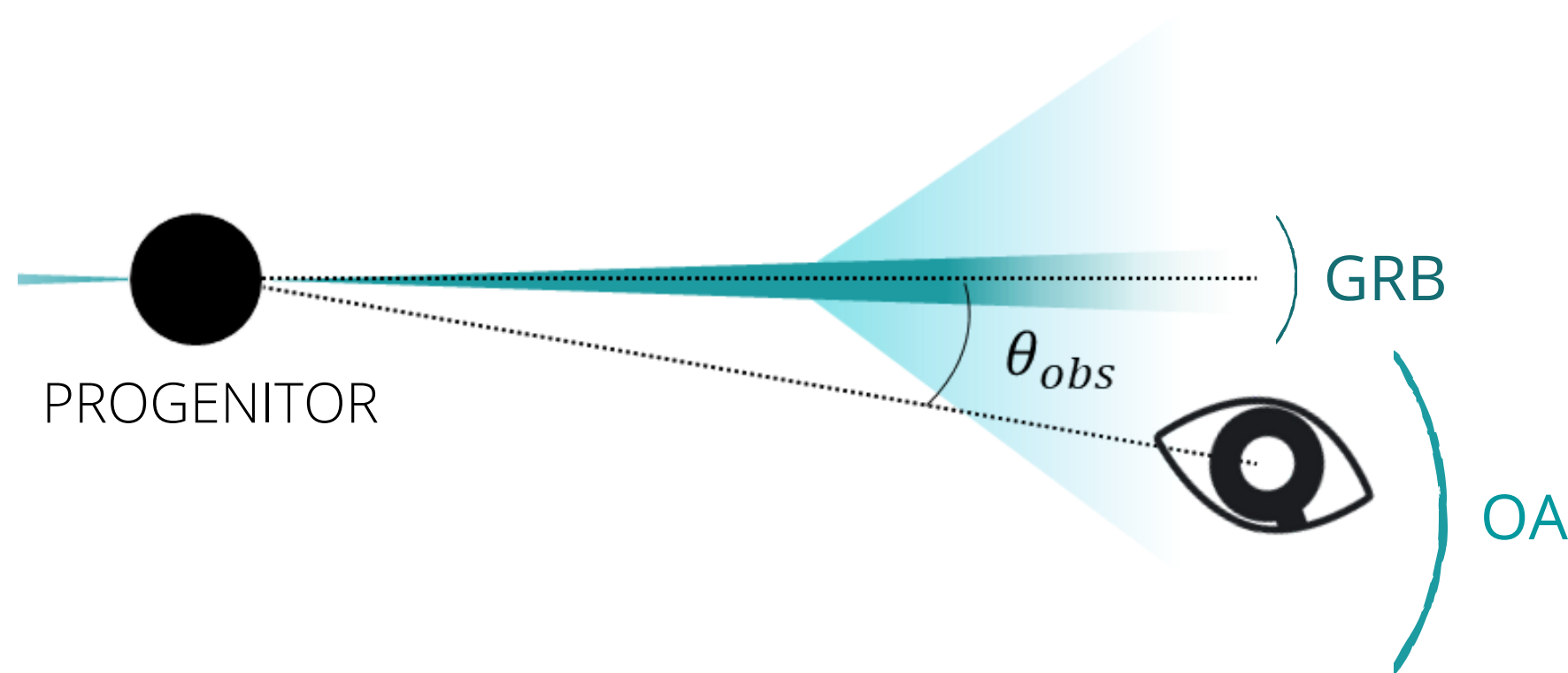
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CONTENTS OF THE PRESENTATION

1. What is an orphan gamma-ray burst afterglow?
2. Simulation of light curves of orphan gamma-ray burst afterglows
3. Impact of each parameter
4. Simulation of a population of gamma-ray bursts

WHAT IS AN ORPHAN GAMMA-RAY BURST AFTERGLOW?



Objective of my internship > To identify potential orphan gamma-ray burst afterglows in Rubin/LSST data by implementing a filter in the alert broker FINK

- **Gamma-Ray Burst (GRB)** = highly energetic explosions ($\sim 10^{51}$ erg) involving compact objects
- **Orphan GRB afterglow (OA)** = optical afterglow without gamma-ray emission
 \implies **No orphan afterglow detected so far!**
(some candidates but none confirmed)
- **OAs important for**
 - GRB physics and progenitors
 - Multi-messengers analyses (gravitational waves)

THE AFTERGLOWPY PACKAGE

(Ryan et al. 2020, Van Eerten et al. 2010)

Calibrated to the **BoxFit** code (Van Eerten et al. 2012) \implies MHD simulations

- Synchrotron emission (Sari, Piran & Narayan 1997)
- Trans-relativistic equation of state + shock jump conditions
- Solves forward shock evolution equations using the single-shell approximation
- Gives the observed flux in the observer's frame:

$$F_{\nu}(t_{obs}, \nu_{obs}) = \frac{1+z}{4\pi d_L^2} \int d\Omega R^2 \Delta R \delta^2 \epsilon'_{\nu'}$$

\implies `Fnu = afterglowpy.fluxDensity(t, nu, **Z)`

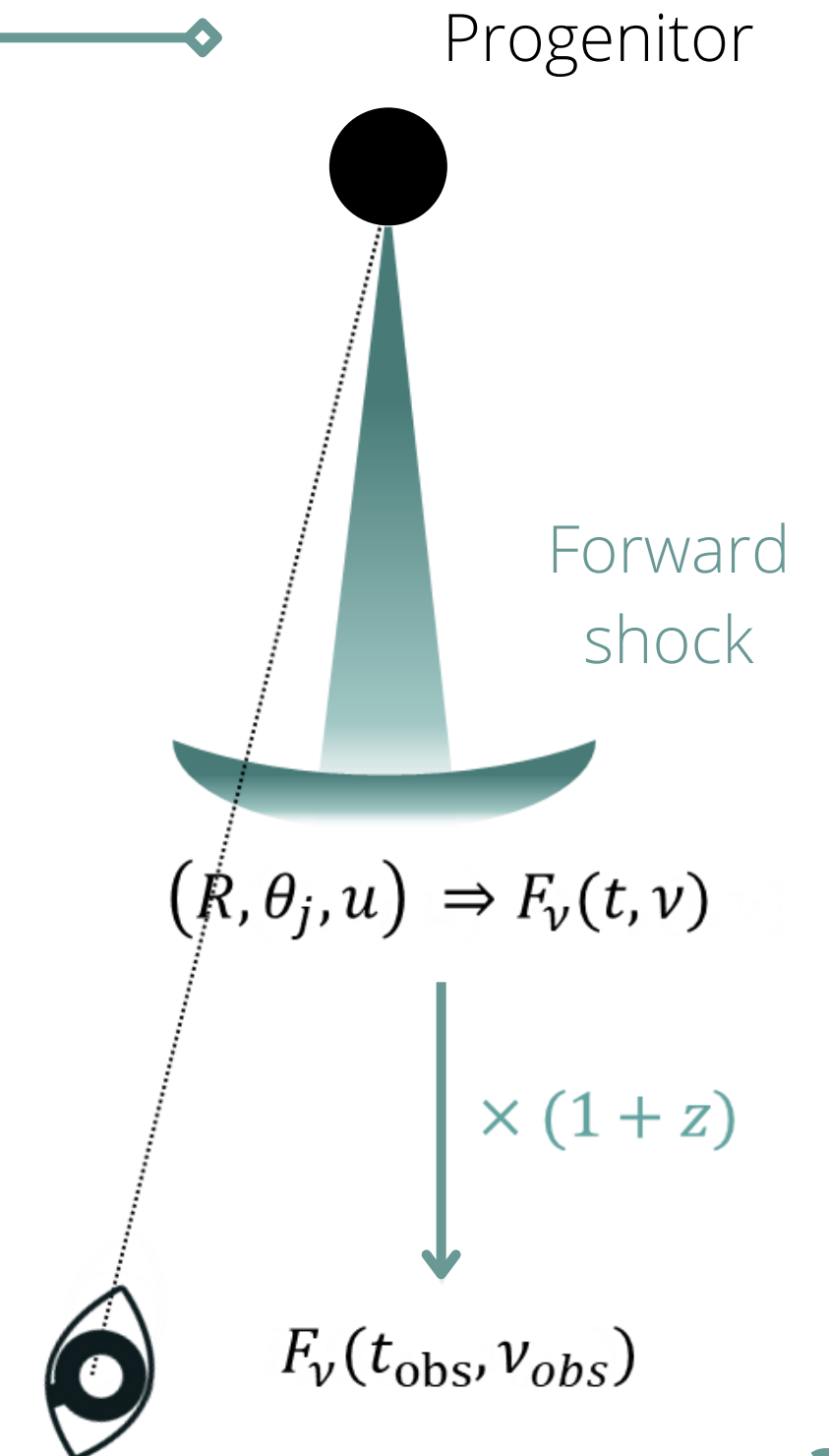
$\epsilon'_{\nu'}$ = rest-frame synchrotron emissivity

R = radial position of the forward shock

θ_j = opening angle of the jet

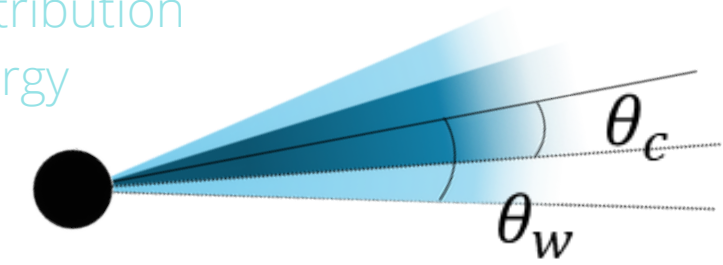
u = dimensionless 4-velocity of the fluid behind the shock

δ = doppler factor of the emitting fluid with respect to the observer



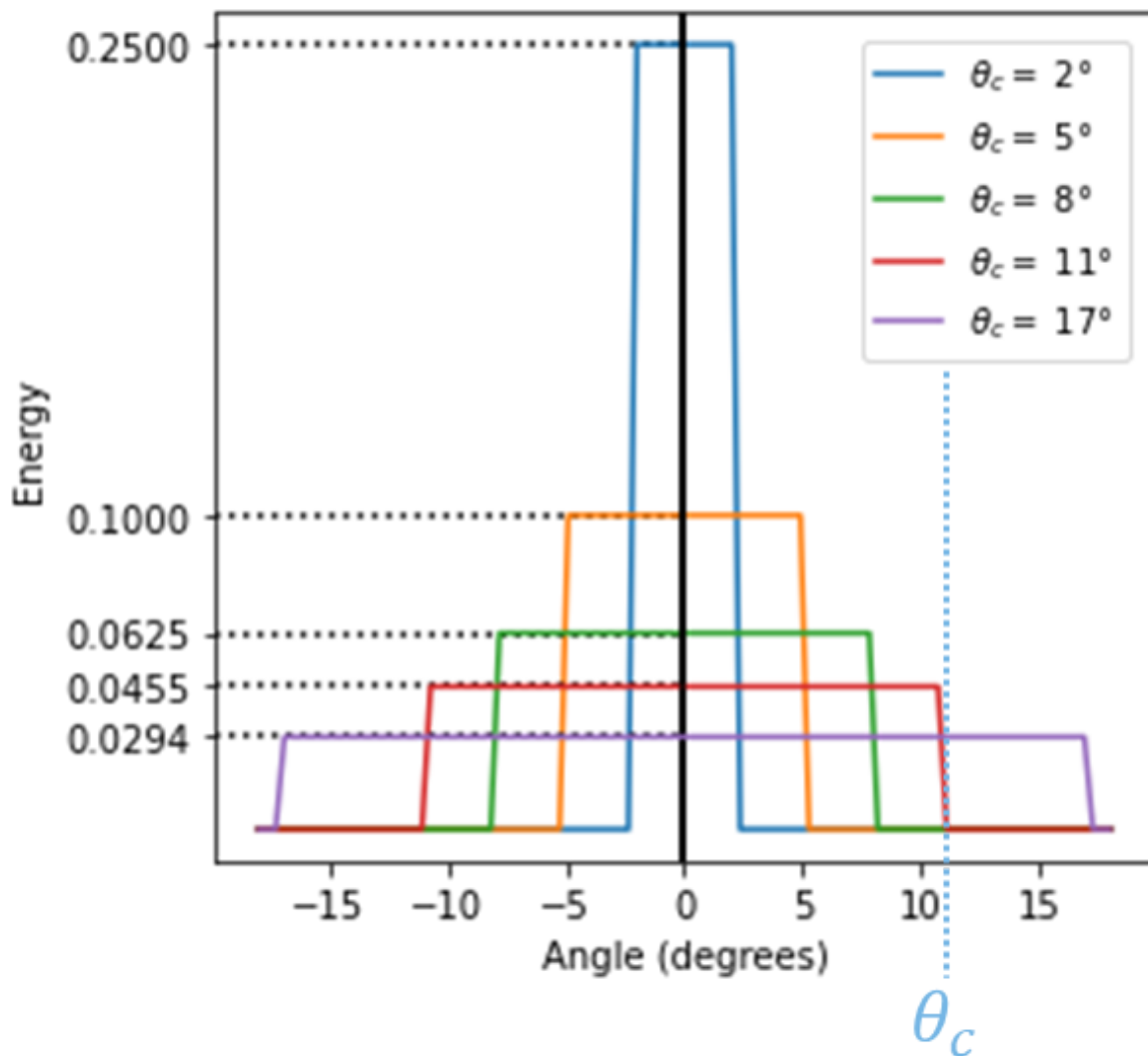
TYPES OF STRUCTURED JETS

Angular distribution of energy



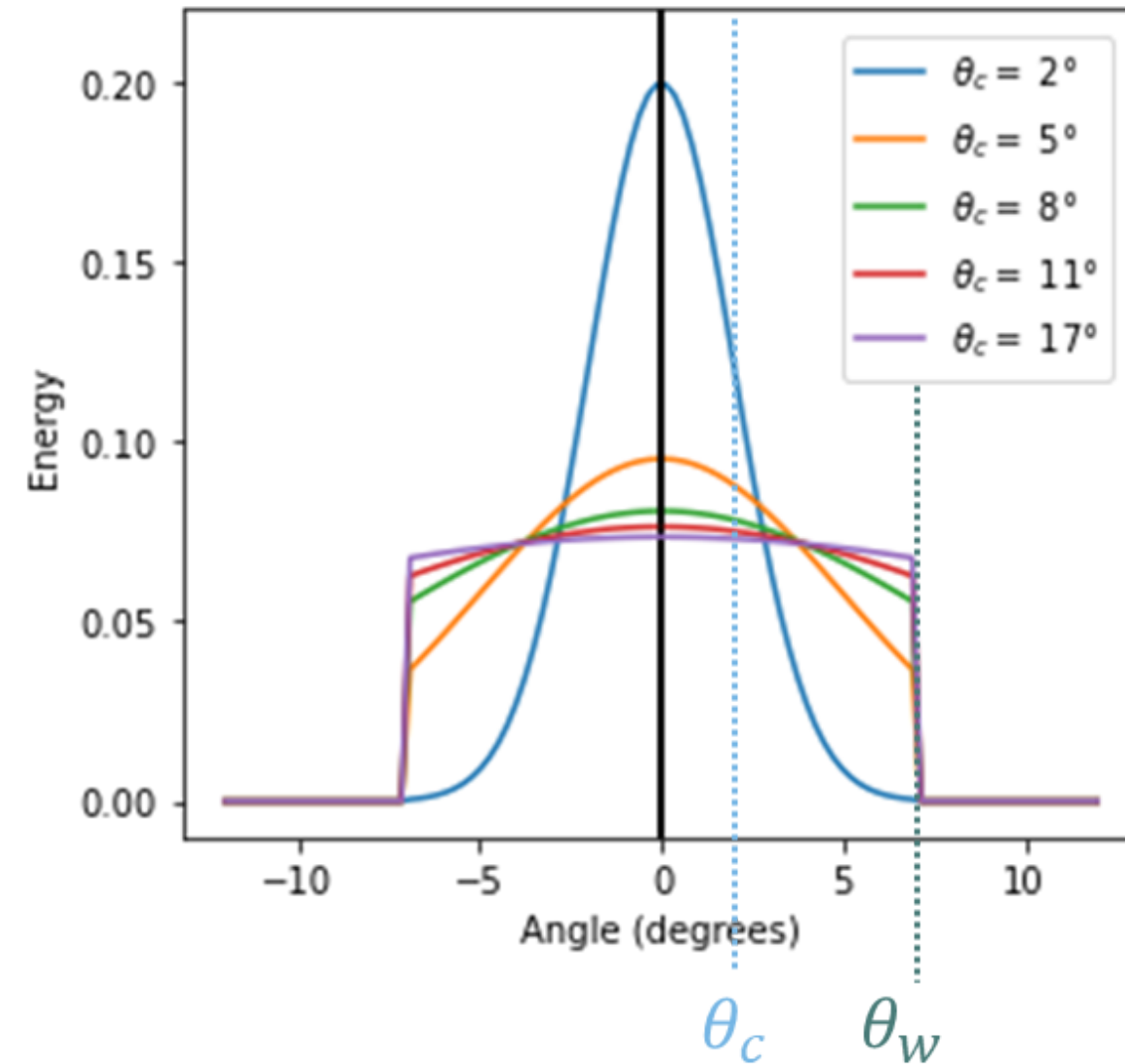
TOP-HAT

$$E(\theta) = E_0$$



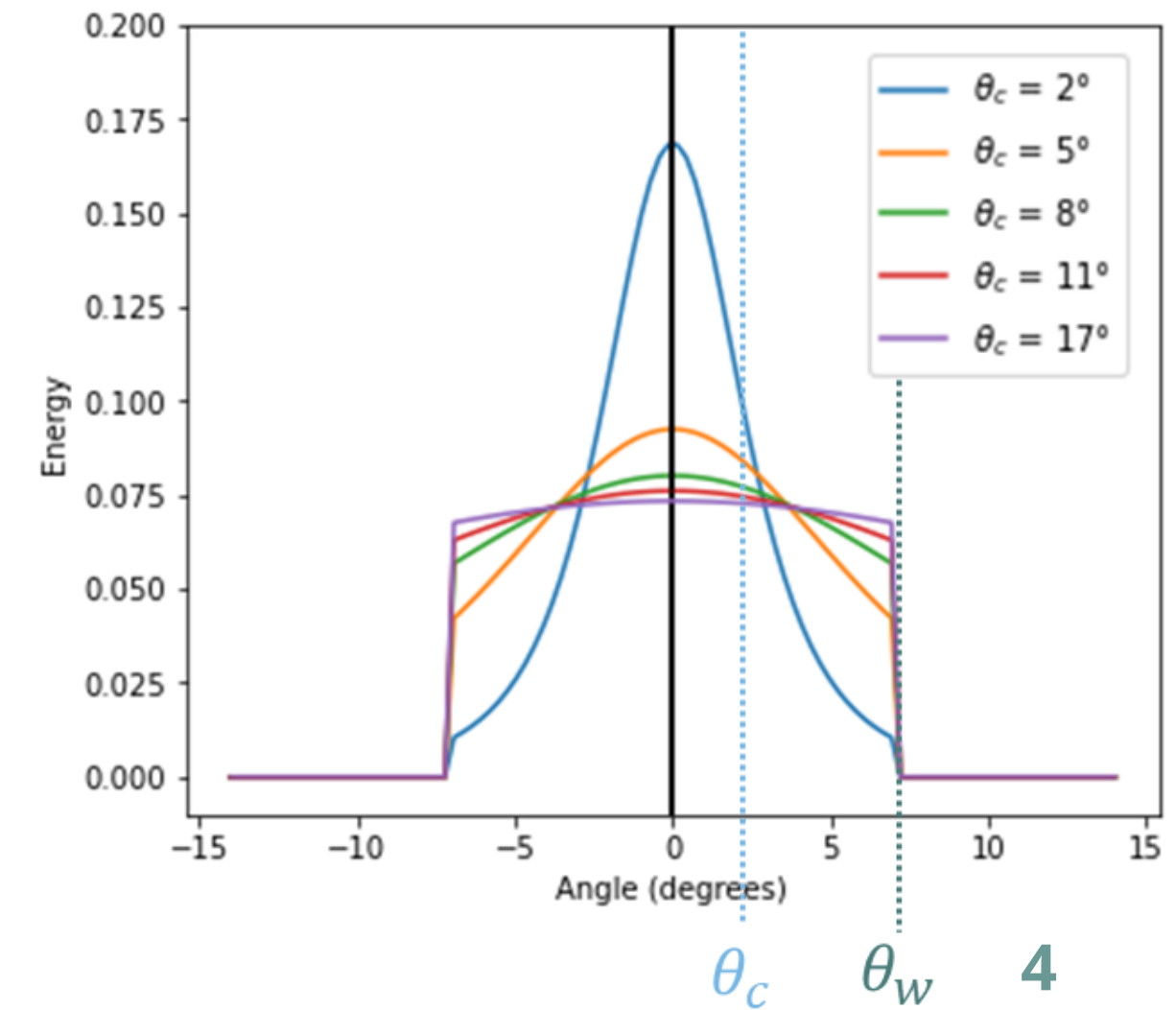
GAUSSIAN

$$E(\theta) = E_0 \exp\left(-\frac{\theta^2}{2\theta_c^2}\right)$$

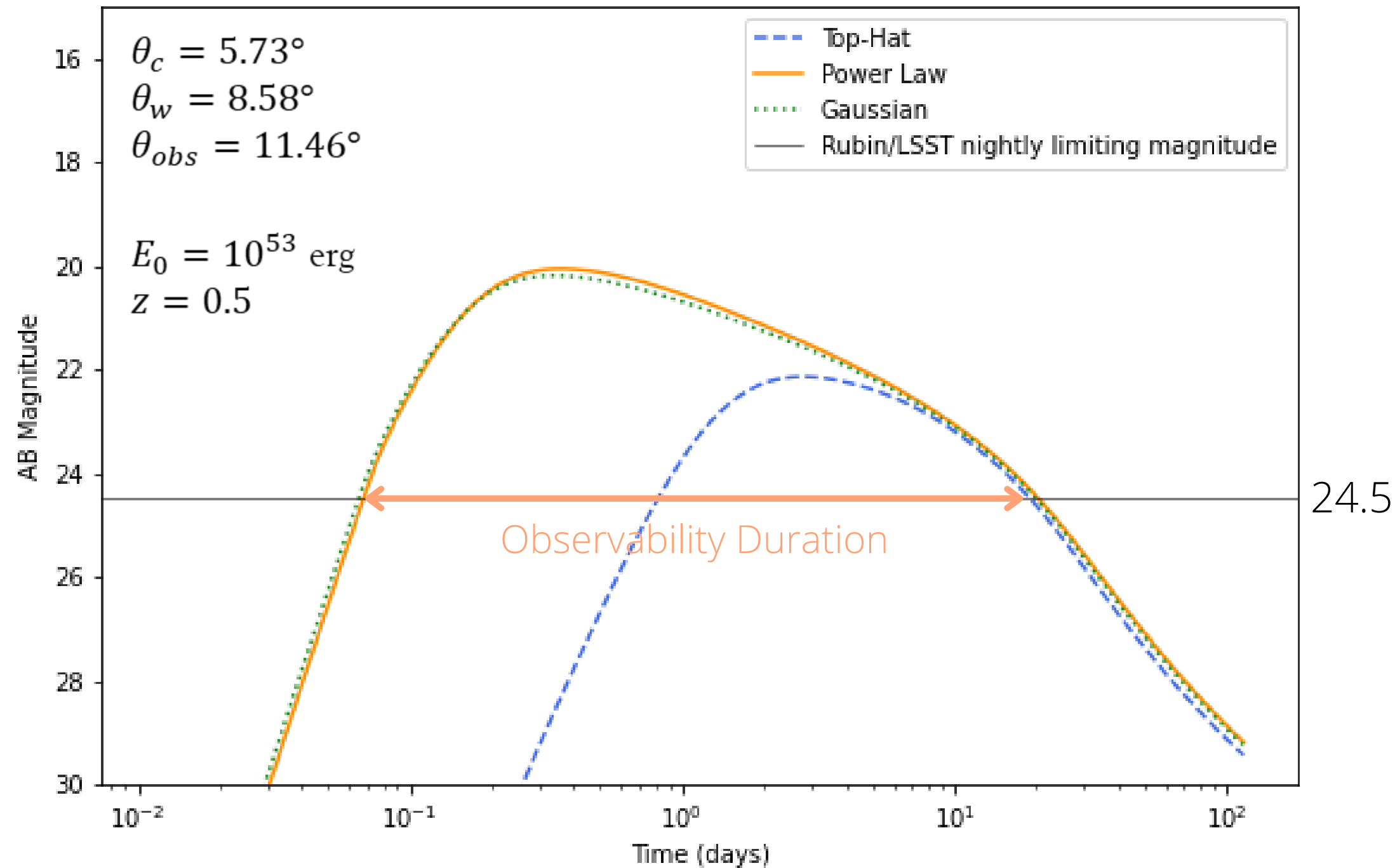
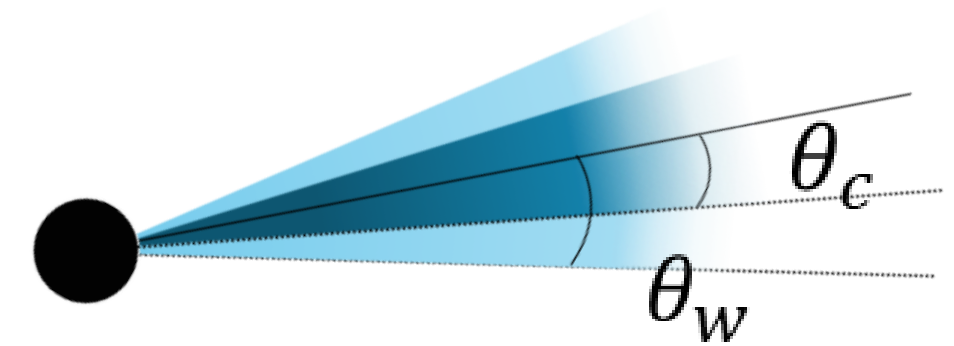


POWER-LAW

$$E(\theta) = E_0 \left(1 + \frac{\theta^2}{b\theta_c^2}\right)^{-b/2}$$



LIGHT CURVES



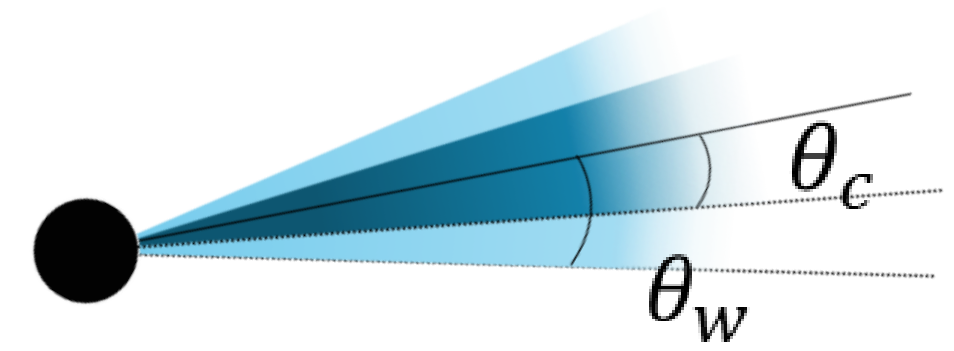
r-band → 600 nm:

Frequency $\nu = 5.0 \times 10^{14}$ Hz

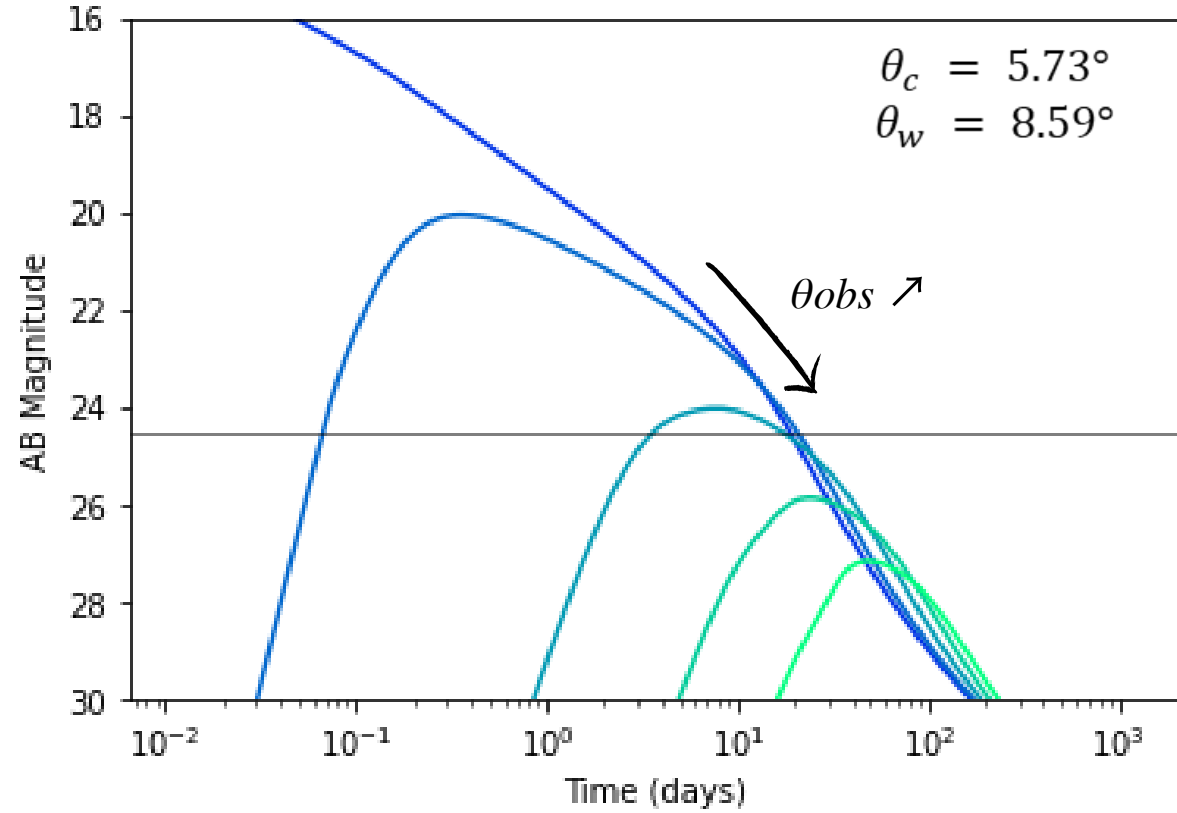
If $\theta_w > \theta_c$, Power-Law and Gaussian jets are observable earlier than Top-Hat jet

⇒ **Importance of the jet structure**

IMPACT OF θ_c , θ_w AND θ_{obs} ON THE LIGHT CURVES

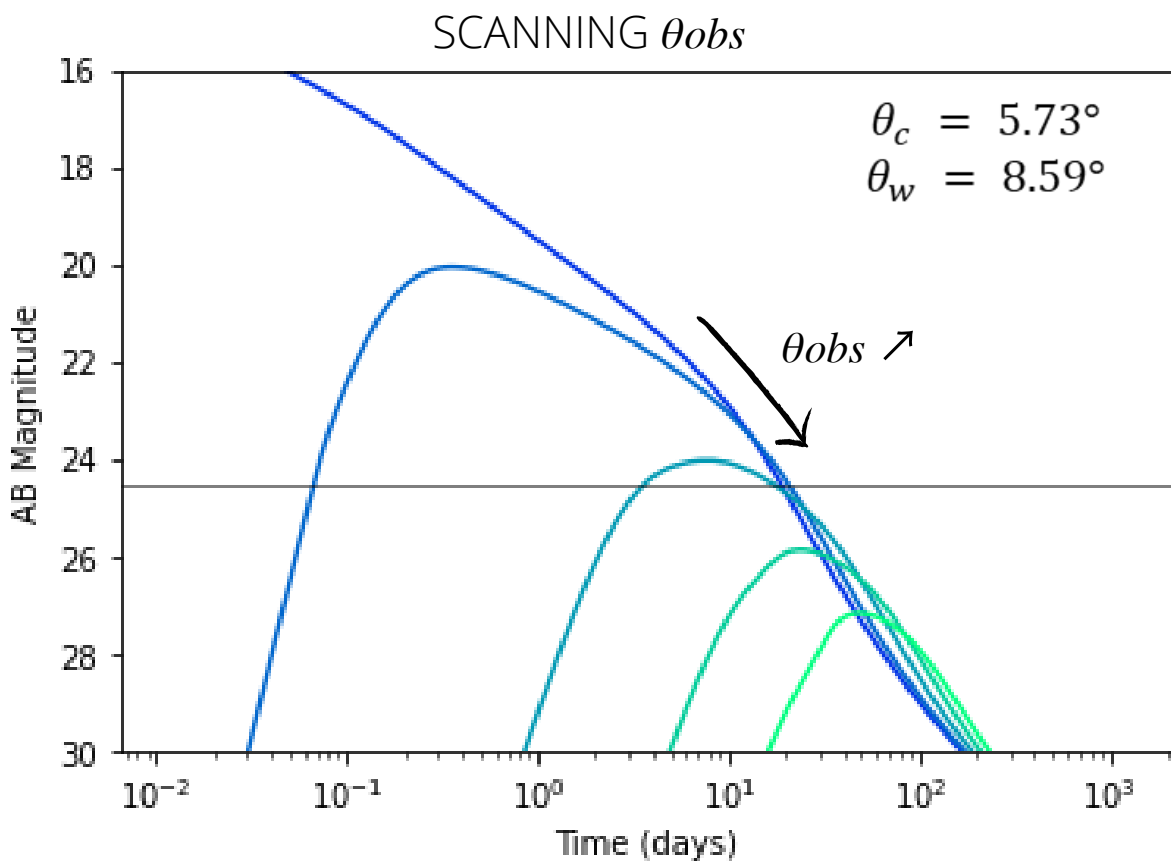
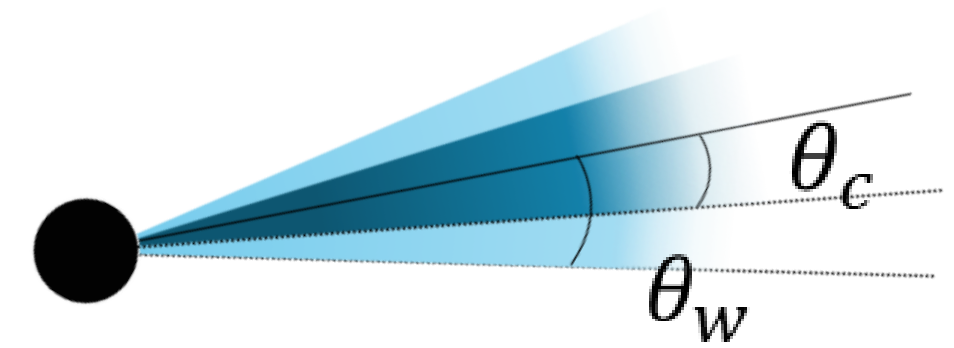


SCANNING θ_{obs}

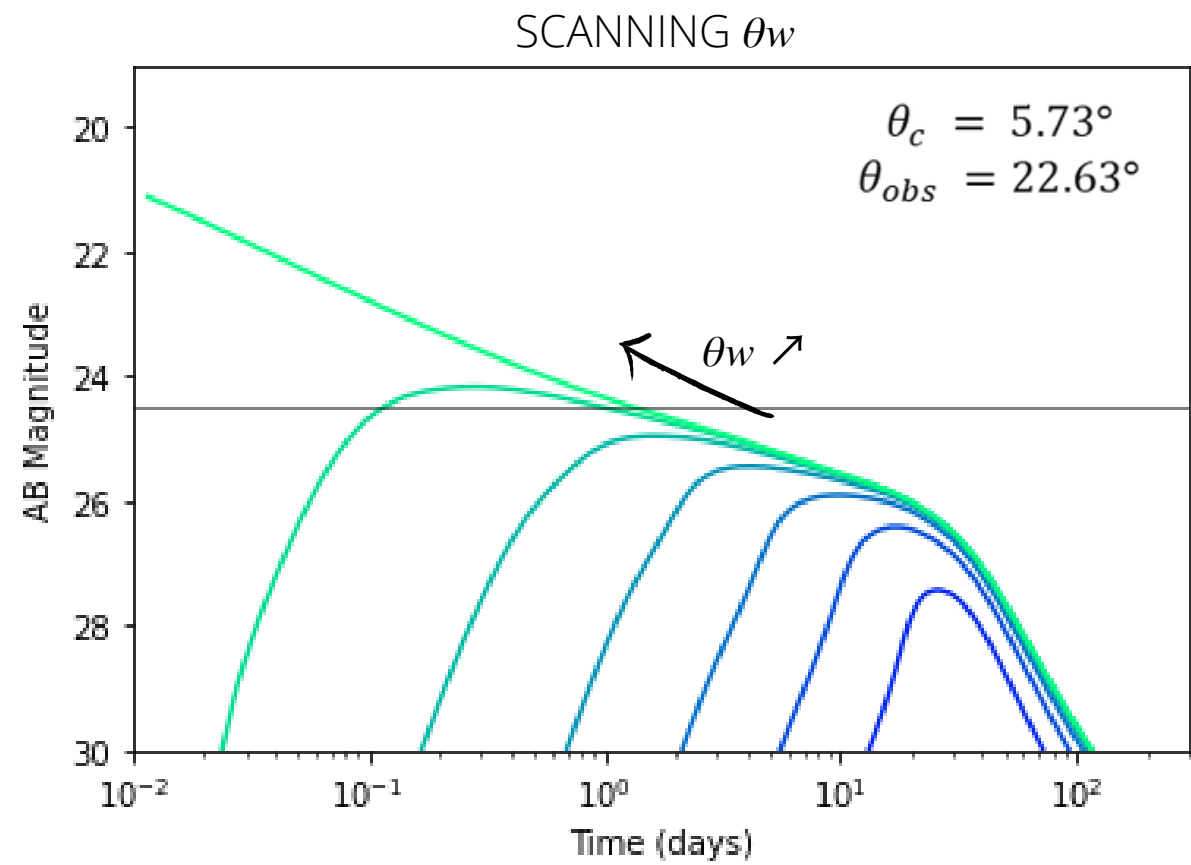


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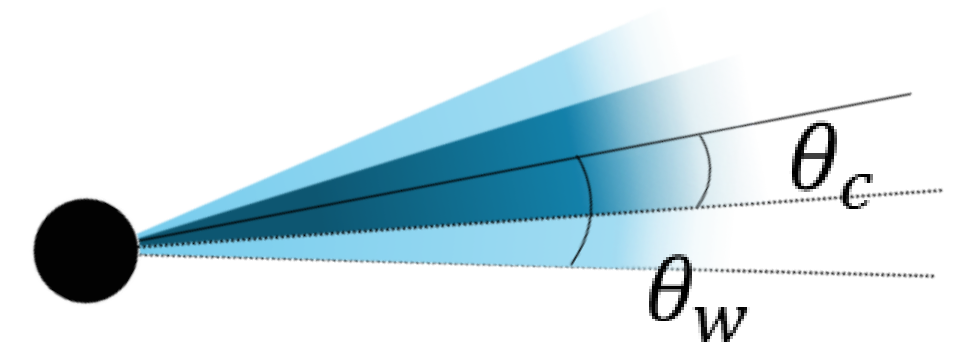


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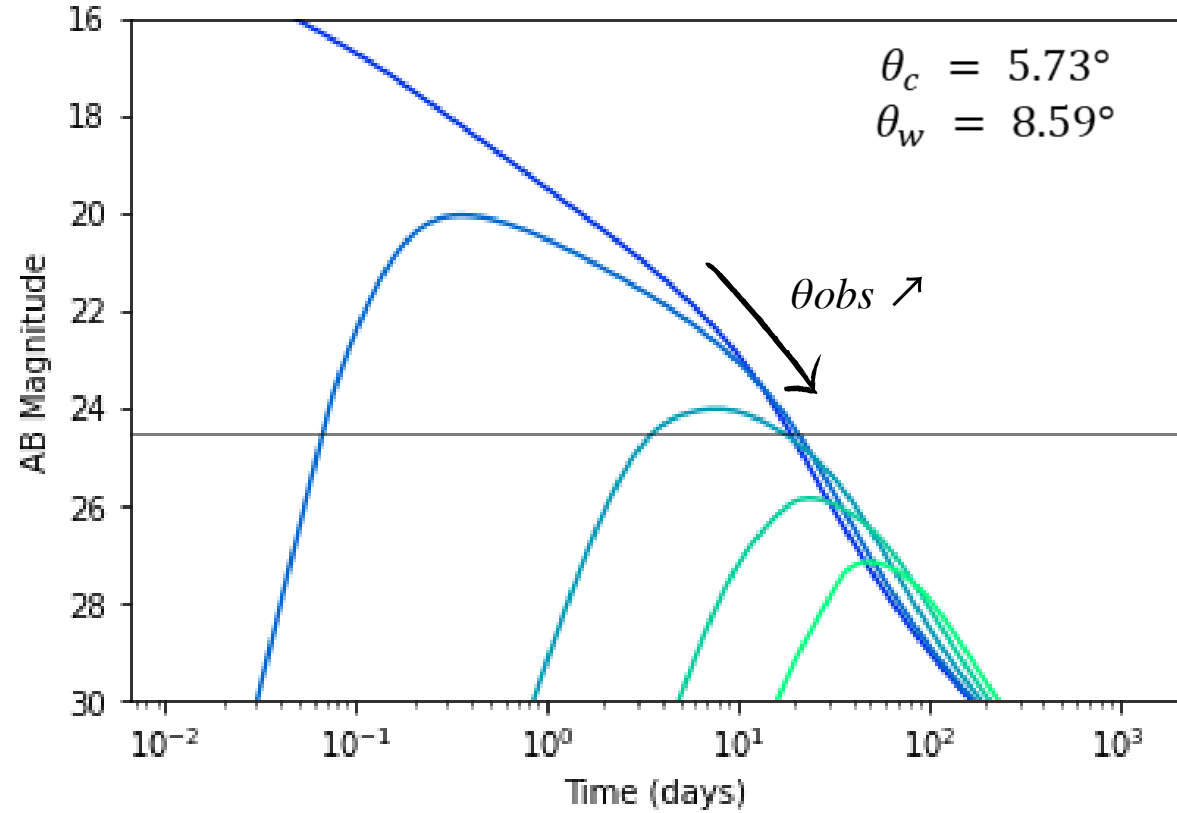


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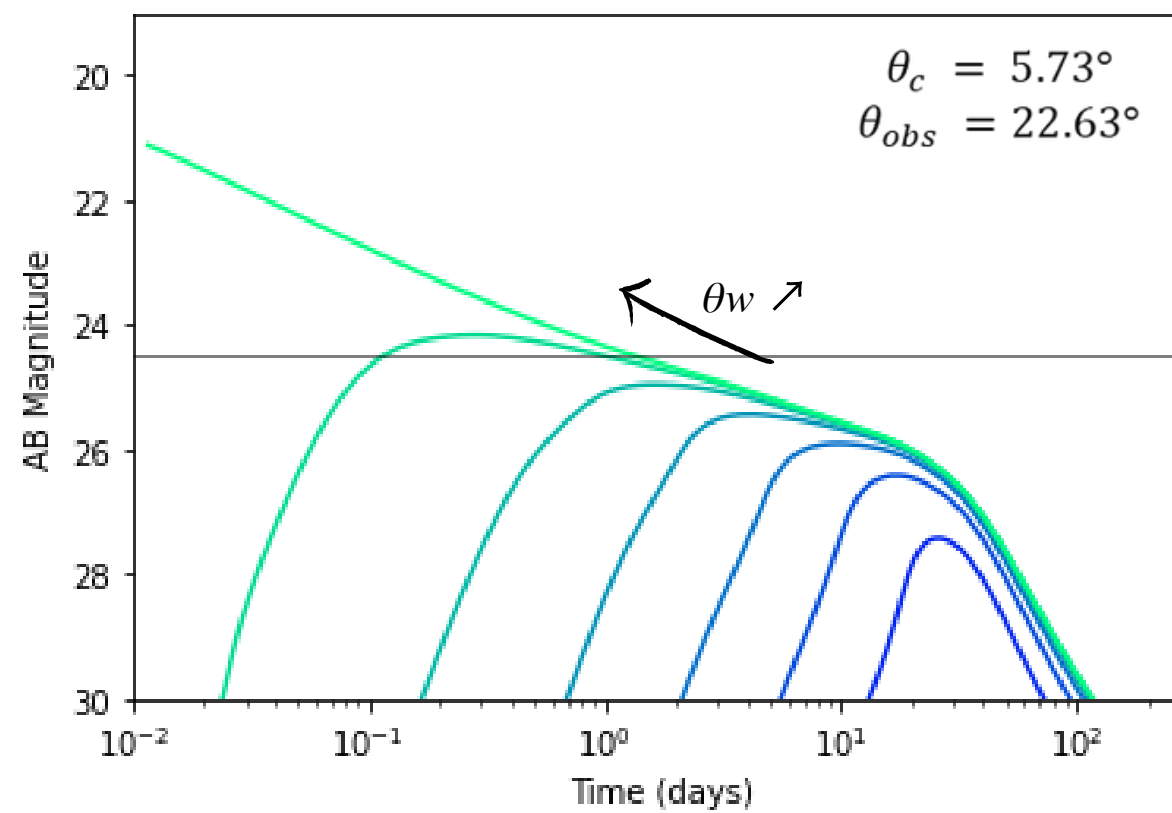


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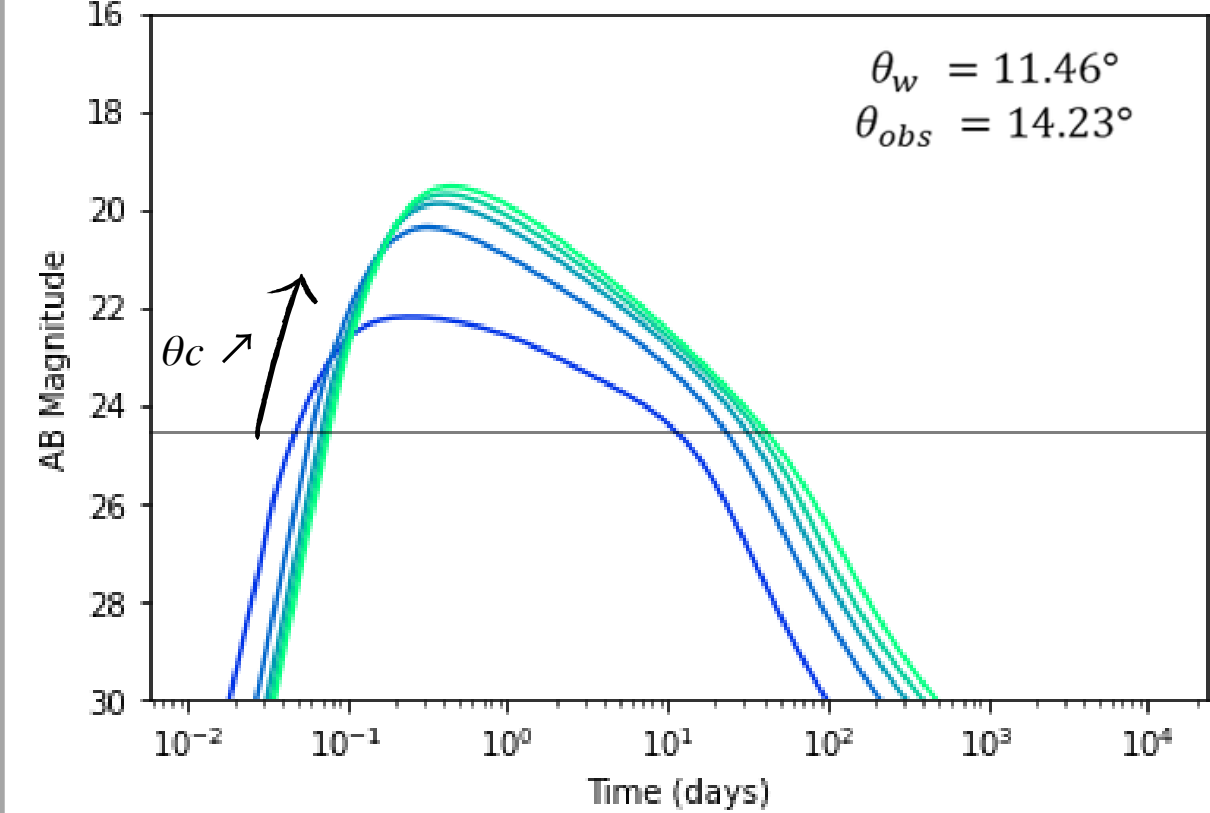
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SCANNING θ_c

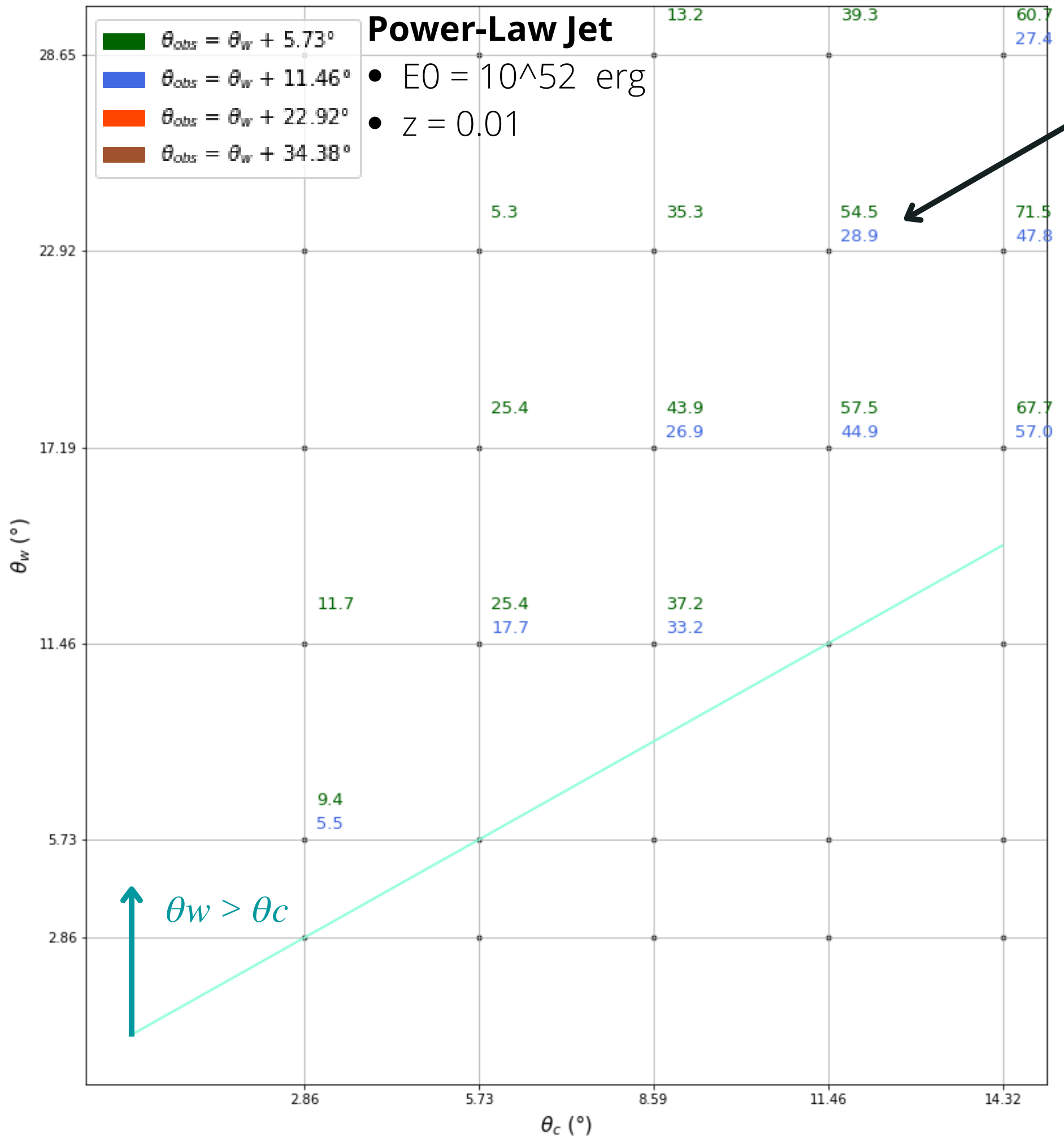


θ_c increases \implies
OA more observable

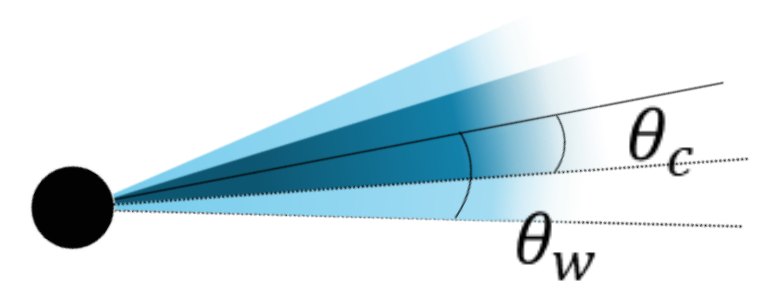
Power-Law Jet

- $E_0 = 10^{52}$ erg
- $z = 0.01$

- $\theta_{obs} = \theta_w + 5.73^\circ$
- $\theta_{obs} = \theta_w + 11.46^\circ$
- $\theta_{obs} = \theta_w + 22.92^\circ$
- $\theta_{obs} = \theta_w + 34.38^\circ$



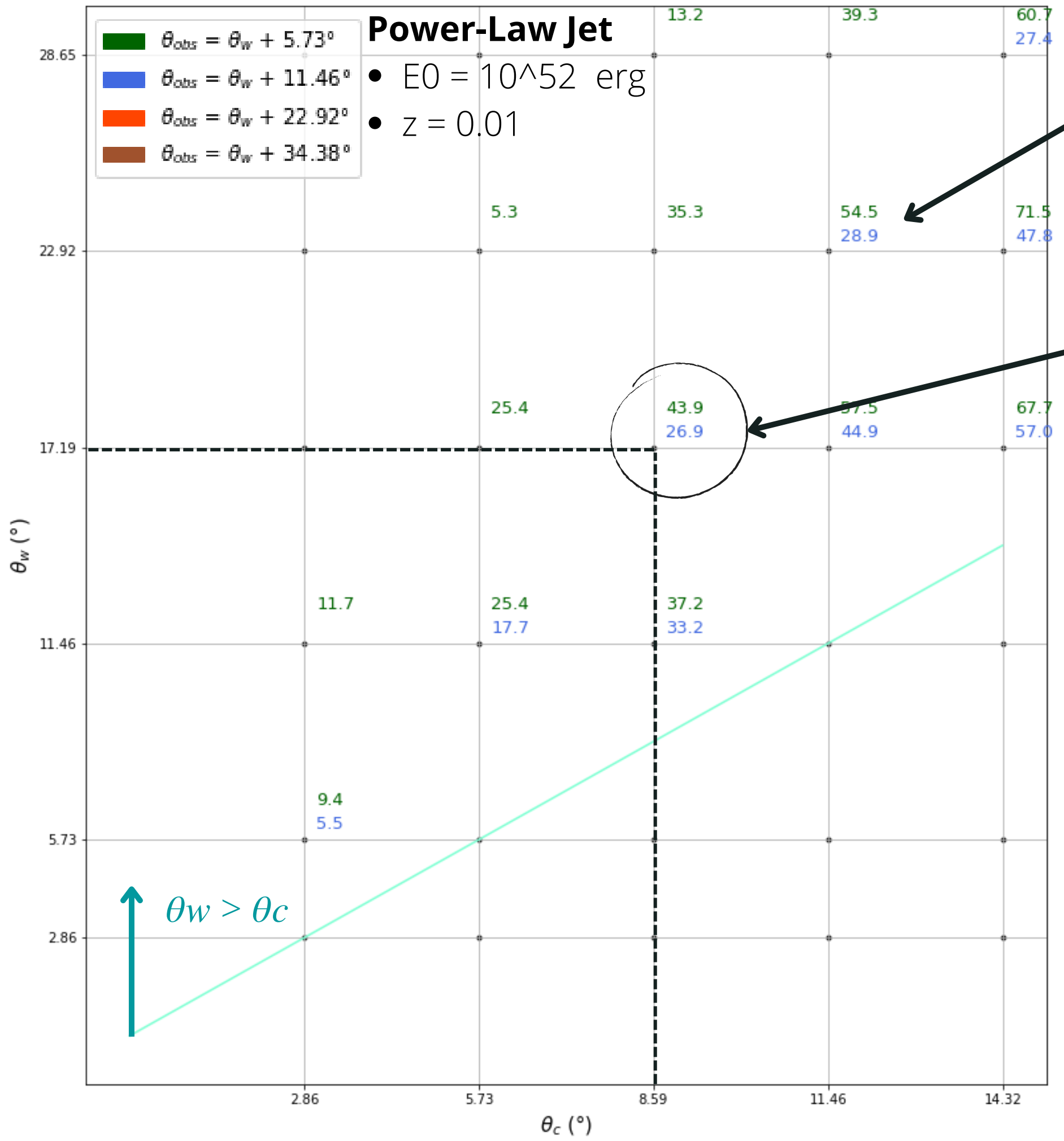
Observability duration for each combination $(\theta_c, \theta_w, \theta_{obs})$ in days



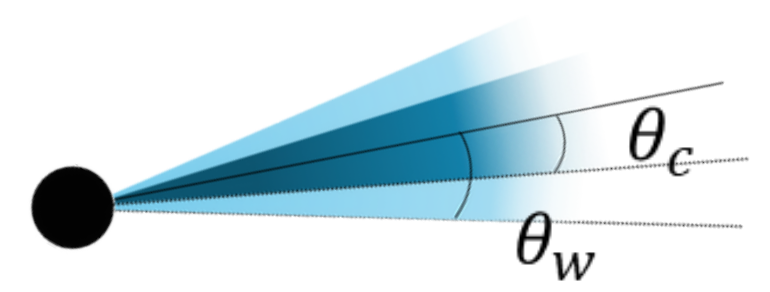
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EXAMPLE: $\theta_c = 8.59^\circ$
 $\theta_w = 17.19^\circ$

$\theta_{obs} = \theta_w + 5.73^\circ = 22.92^\circ$
 \Rightarrow OA observable during 43.9 days

$\theta_{obs} = \theta_w + 11.46^\circ = 28.65^\circ$
 \Rightarrow OA observable during 26.9 days

When $E0$ increases: $10^{52} \rightarrow 10^{53}$ erg
 \Rightarrow Observability duration $\times \sim 5$

For $(\theta_c, \theta_w, \theta_{obs})$: parameters space is large
 \Rightarrow Observability of OA is not trivial!

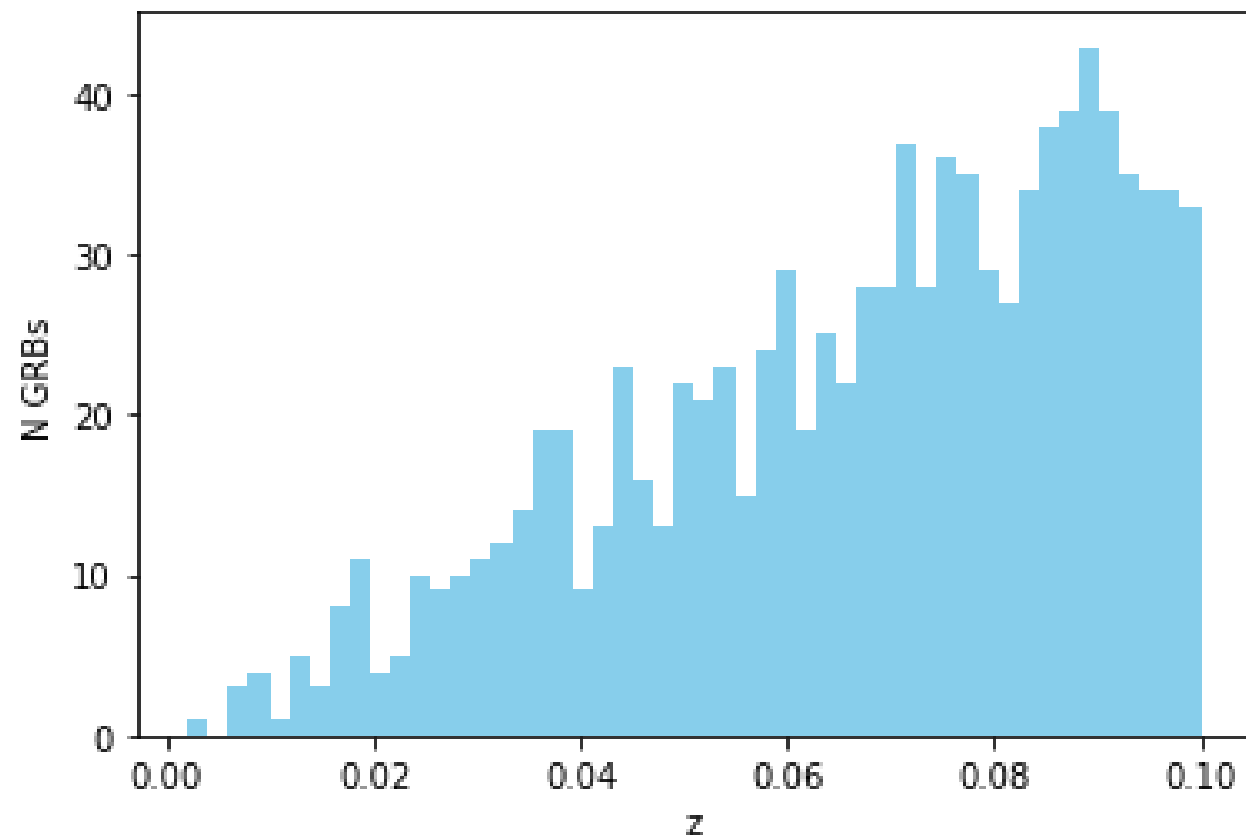
SOME SIMULATIONS FOR SHORT GRBS

Goal: To simulate somewhat realistic distributions for short GRBs

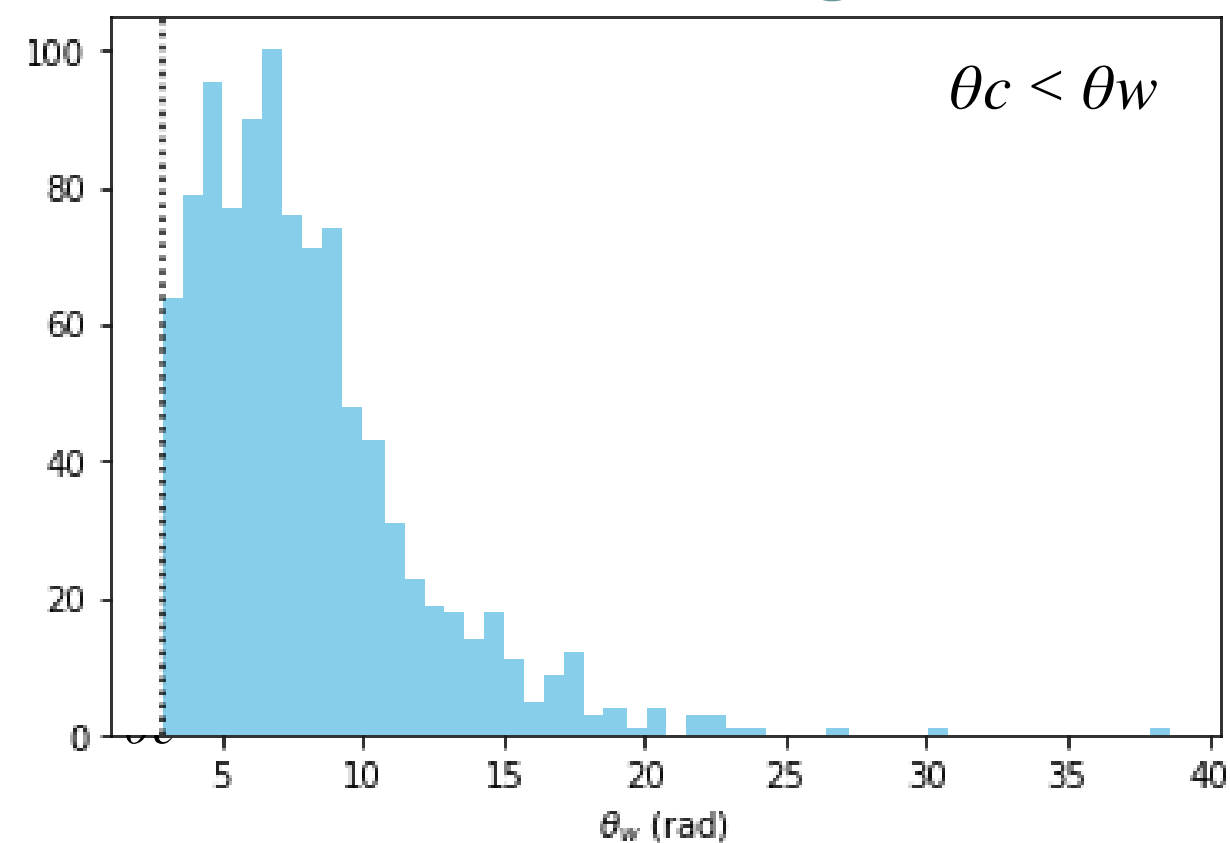
Studied parameters:

- **Core angle θ_c :** 2.86 and 8.60 degrees
- **Circumburst density n_0 :** uniform distribution [0.001 ; 1.0] cm⁻³
- **Observer angle θ_{obs} :** uniform distribution [0 ; $\pi/2$] radians

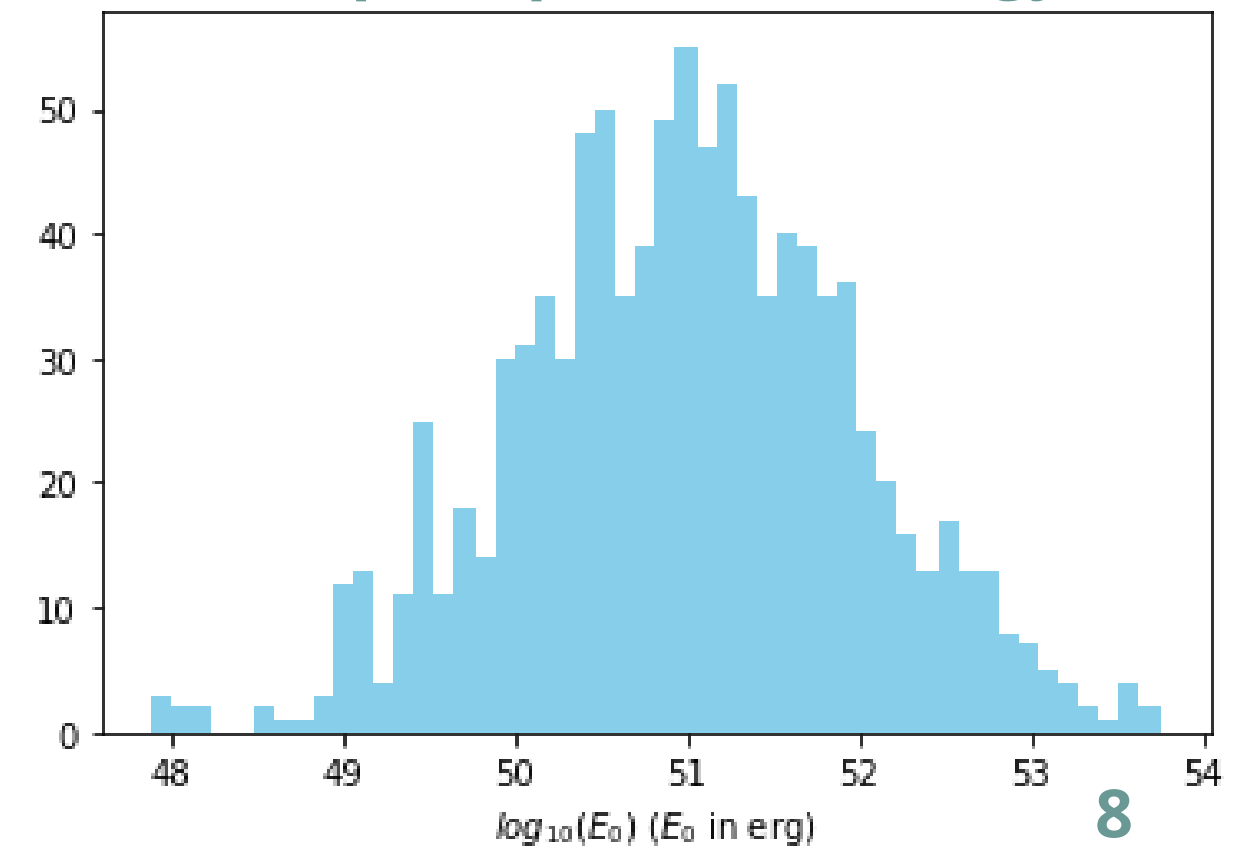
Redshift z



Truncature angle θ_w



Isotropic equivalent energy E_0

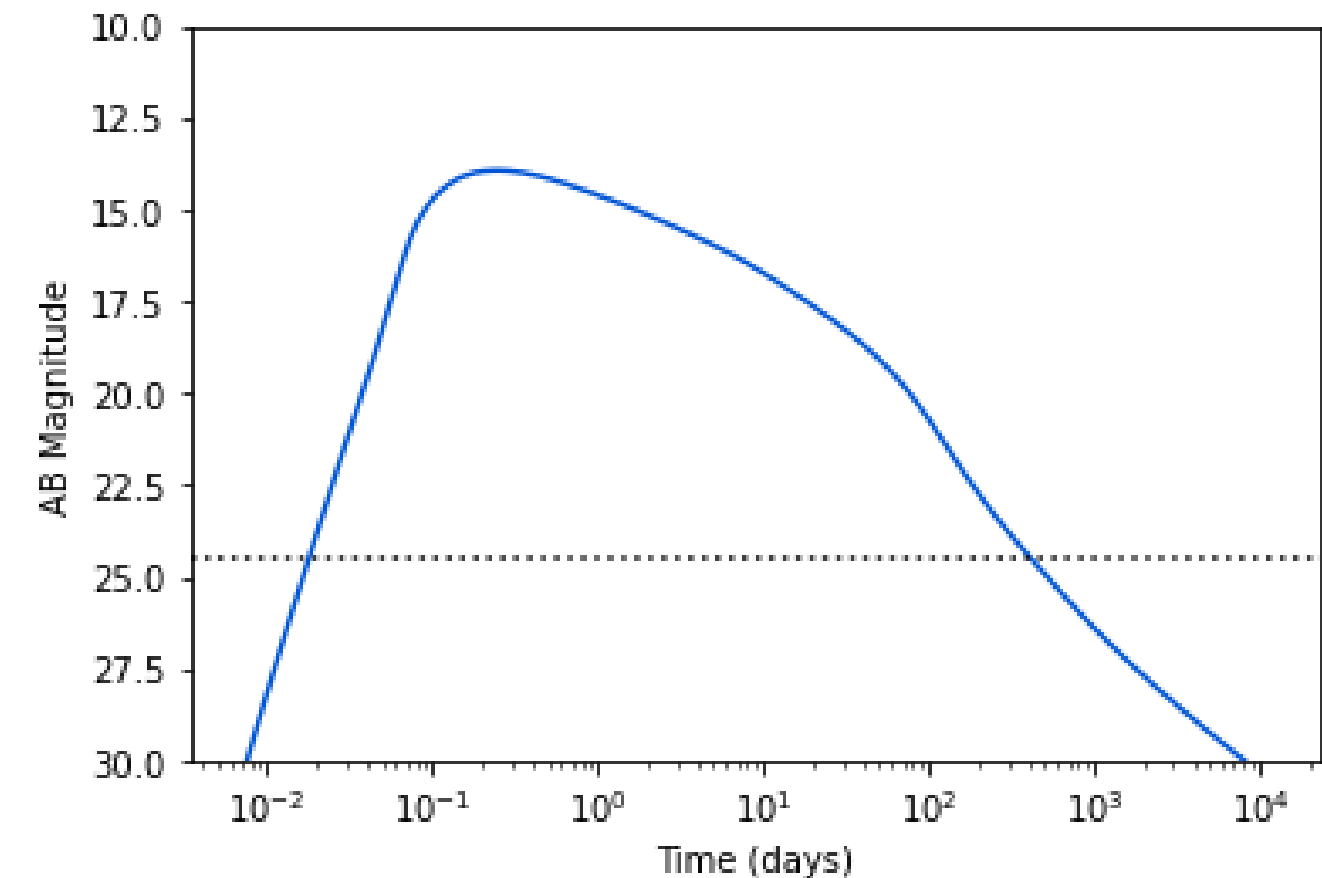


RESULTS OF THESE SIMULATIONS

1000 configurations saved

Example of one configuration

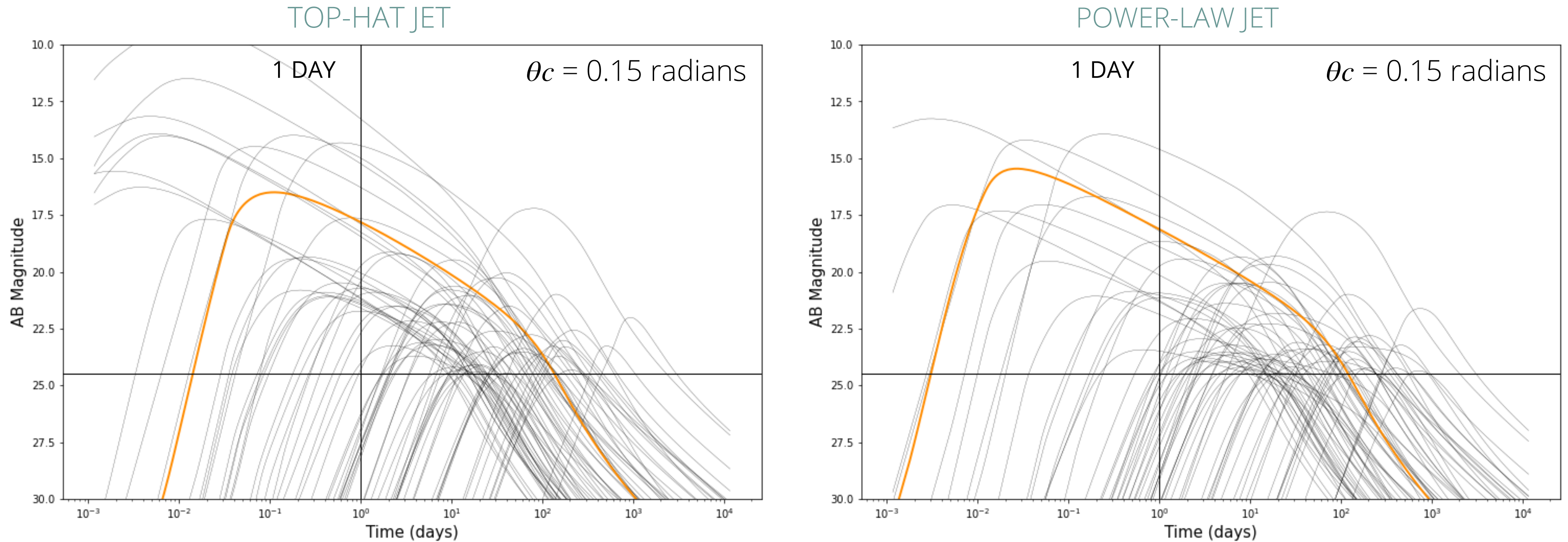
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     'z': 0.1}
```



t_obs (days)	mag_min	axis	observable	...
409.2	13.9	off	> 7 days	...
...

SIMULATED LIGHT CURVES FOR OFF-AXIS AFTERGLOWS

(OFF-AXIS OBSERVABLE MORE THAN 7 DAYS)



- ⇒ **Large diversity of light curves:** faint and long OAs + bright and short OAs
- ⇒ **Not obvious impact of the jet structure on observability**

FINALLY, HOW MANY OBSERVABLE AFTERGLOWS?

SUMMARY TABLE

Jet Type	θ_c	Axis	tobs	Number of observable afterglows (/1000)
TOP-HAT	0.15 radians	ON	> 7 days	32
	(~ 8.60 degrees)	OFF	> 7 days	69
POWER LAW	0.05 radians	ON	> 7 days	14
	(~ 2.86 degrees)	OFF	> 7 days	29
	0.15 radians	ON	> 7 days	49
	(~ 8.60 degrees)	OFF	> 7 days	66

- ⇒ Final fraction of observable OAs: ~ 5%
- ⇒ Influence of the jet structure not trivial
- ⇒ Slightly more off-axis afterglows than on-axis afterglows

CONCLUSION AND PERSPECTIVES

afterglowpy package easily calculates light curves and spectra of OAs:

- ⇒ Large parameters space ($E_0, n_0, \theta_c, \theta_w, \theta_{obs}, z$)
- ⇒ Observability of an OA not trivial!

"Rough" simulations of a "rough" population of GRBs:

- ⇒ Estimation of the number of observable OAs: ~ **5%**

Perspectives

- To simulate "true" pseudo-observations with the **rubin_sim** package: scheduler, filters, air mass, night sky conditions...
- To generate pseudo-alerts for the alert broker **FINK**
- To develop a filter for FINK to identify OAs

All the codes can be accessible at:

<https://gitlab.in2p3.fr/johan-bregeon/orphans>

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION !

COMPARISON WITH DETECTED ON-AXIS AFTERGLOWS

(Kann 2008)

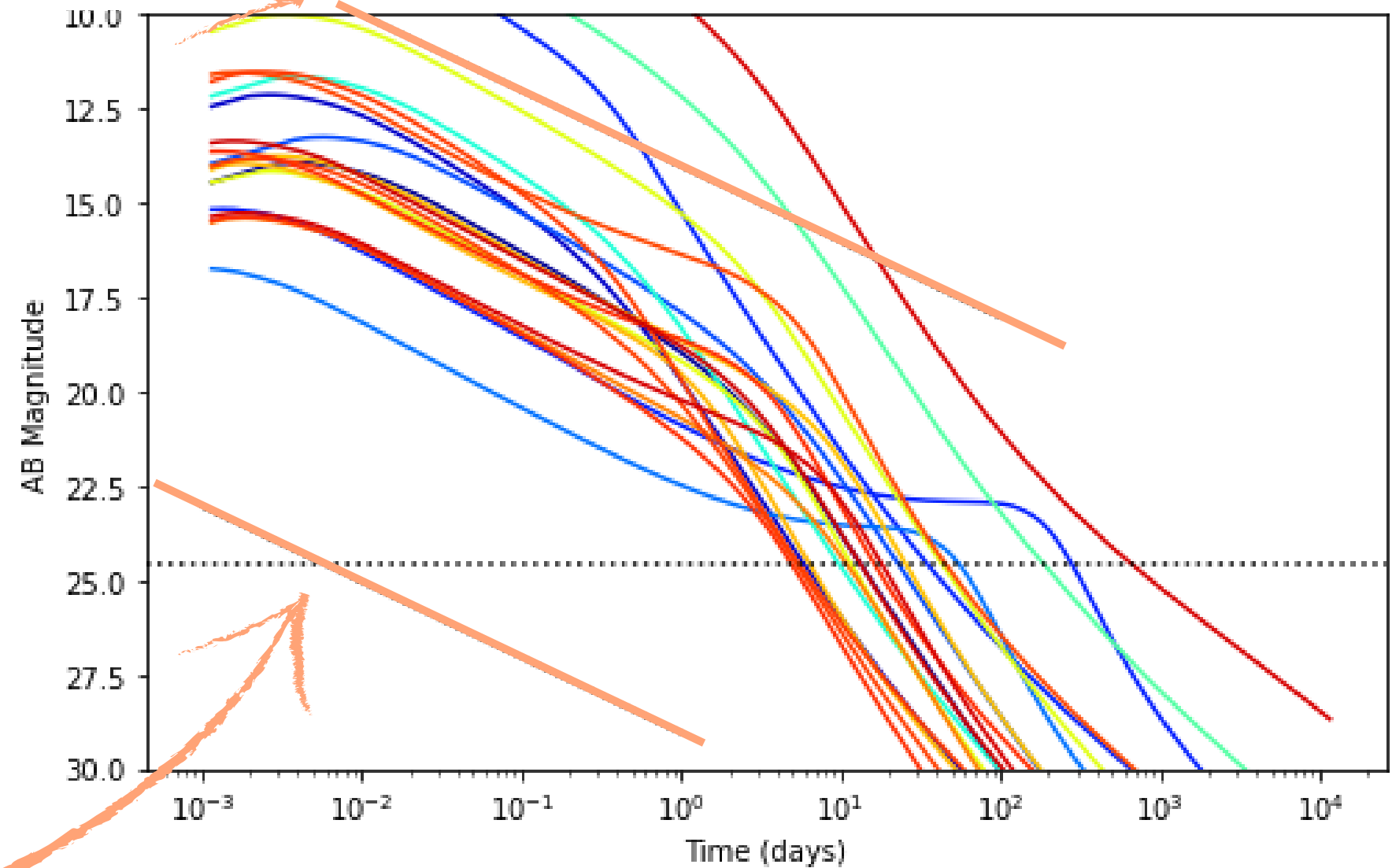
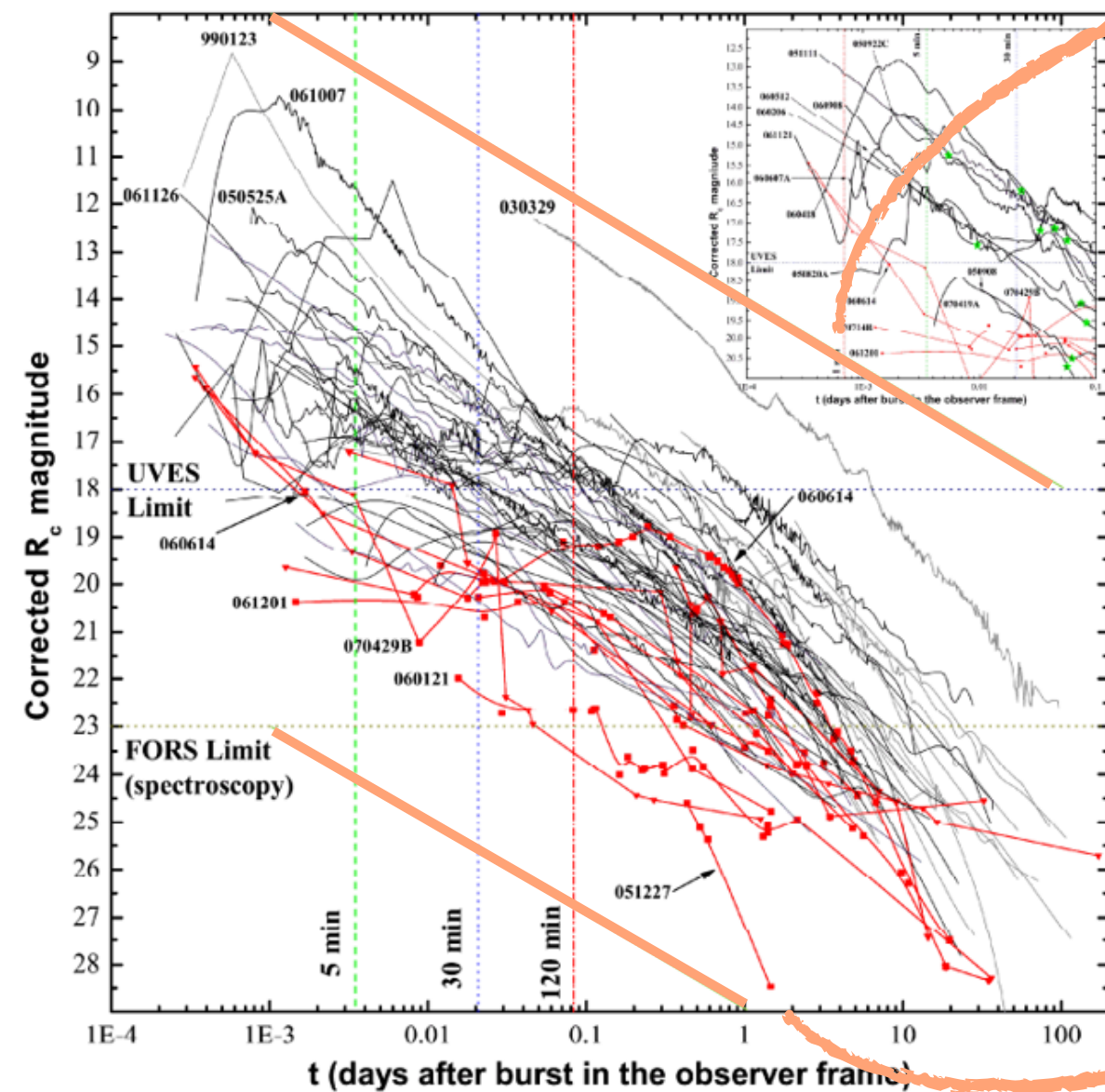


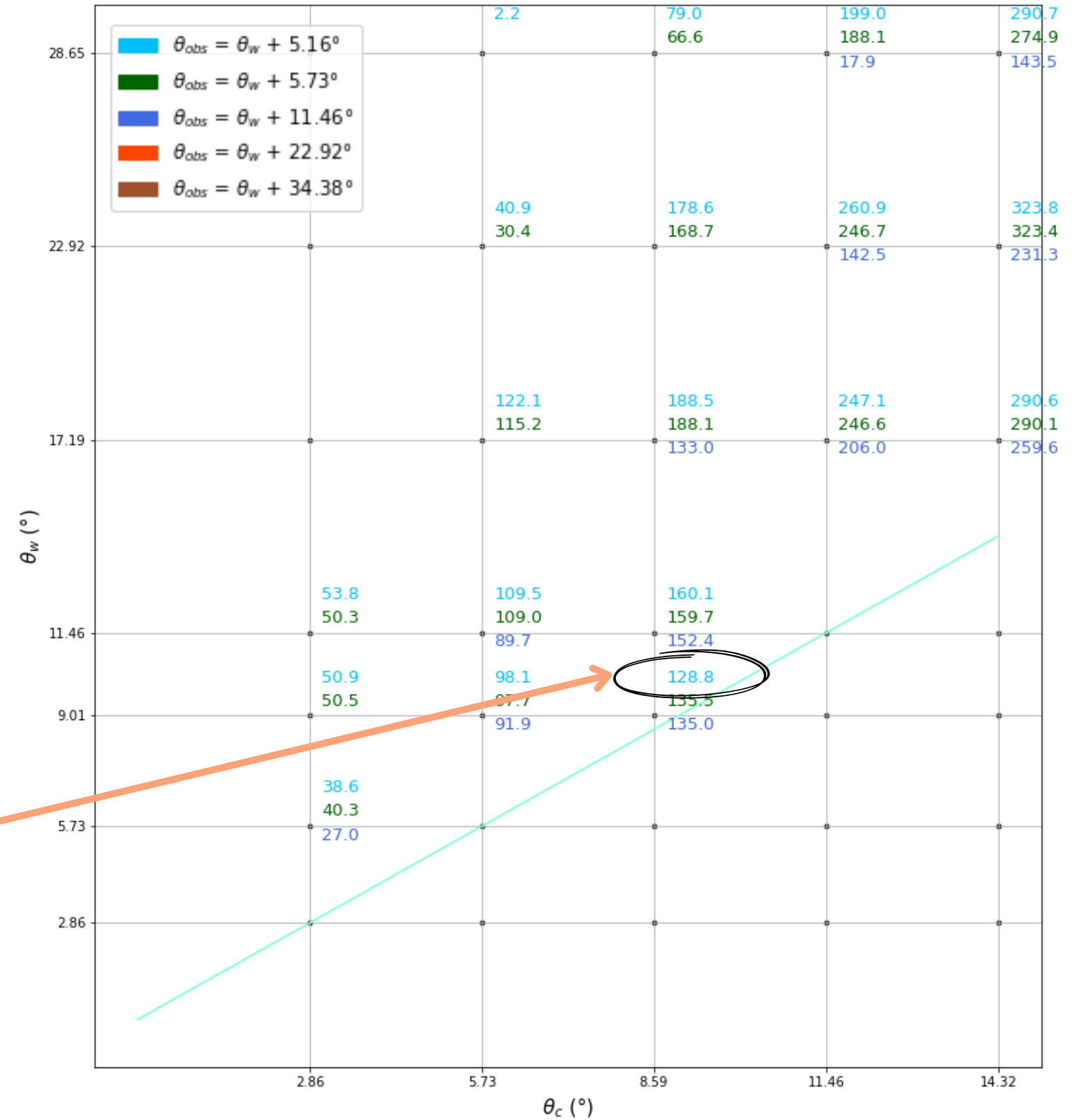
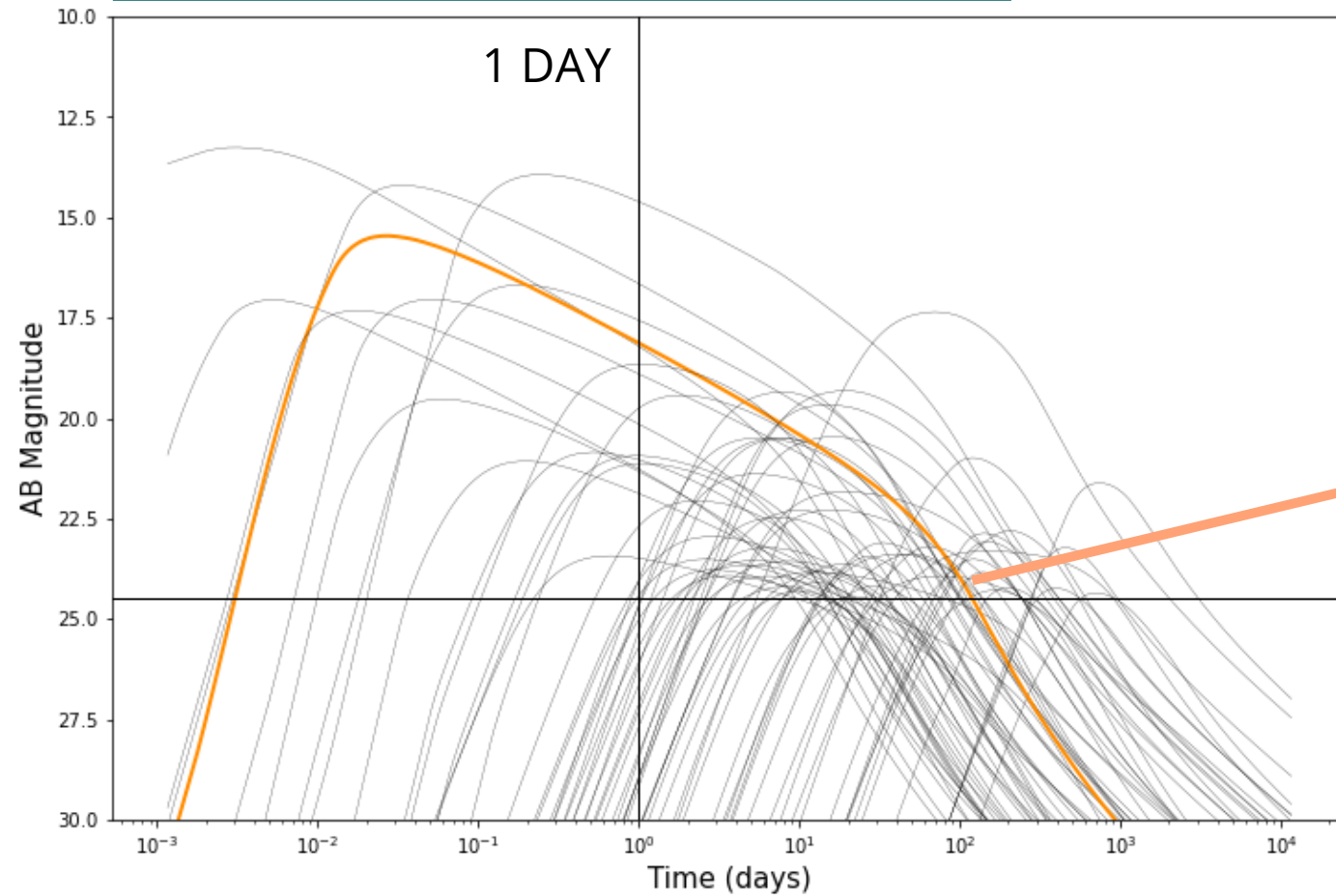
Fig. 1. GRB optical afterglow light curves with well-sampled data up to the end of August 2007. Pre-Swift long GRB afterglows are grey, Swift era ones are black. Short GRB afterglows are red, with detections marked by squares, and additional upper limits by triangles. The inset shows early light curves of long GRBs with rapid spectroscopic follow-up.

⇒ Simulated on-axis afterglows are included in the "enveloppe"

MATRIX FOR ONE OF THE LIGHT CURVE

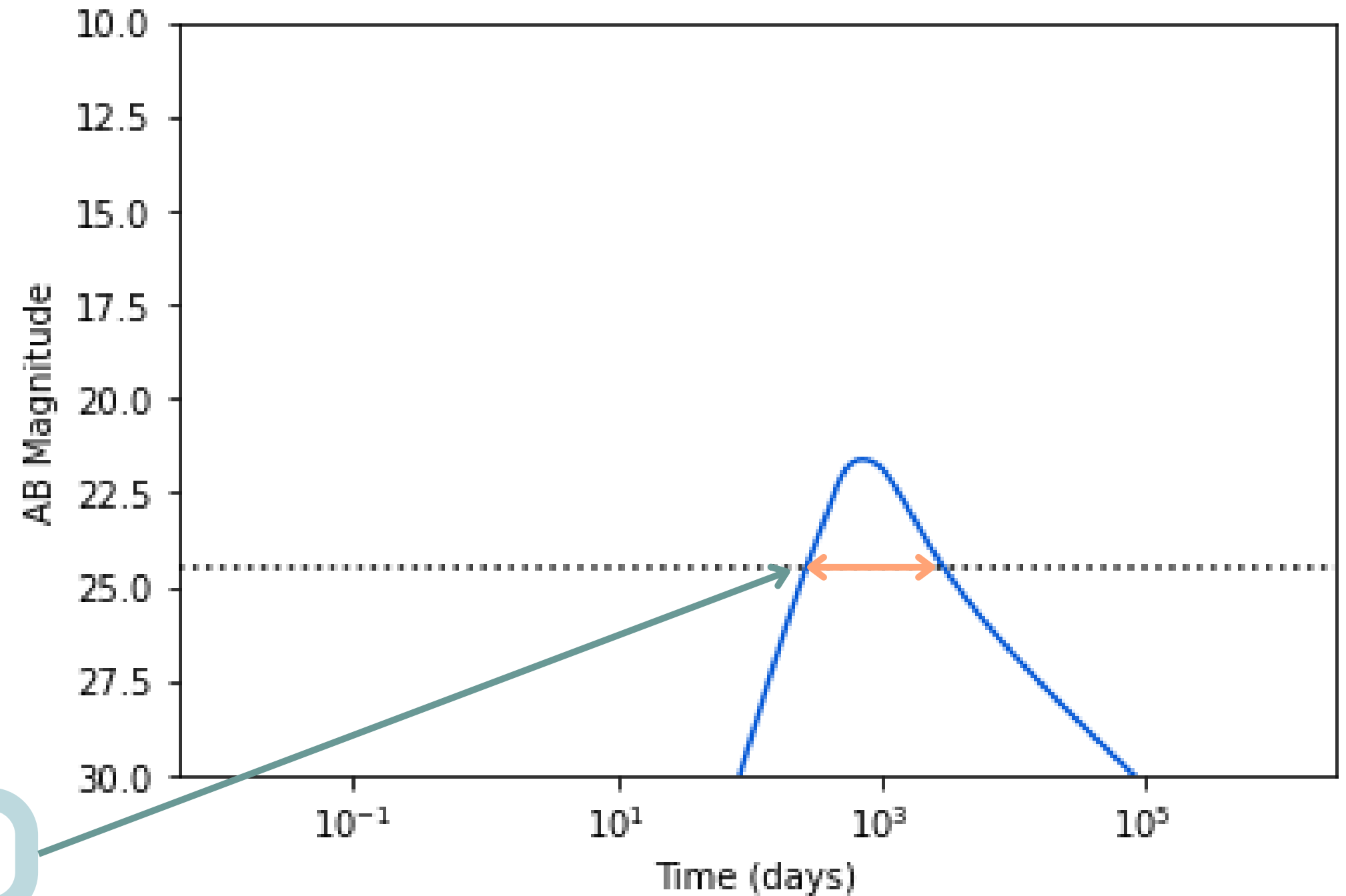
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A VERY LONG OFF-AXIS AFTERGLOW

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```



This afterglow is observable during 2727 days!

PSEUDO OBSERVATIONS WITH THE RUBIN_SIM PACKAGE

With `rubin_sim`:

- 1- Take time and ra/dec of GRB270817 ("future" GW170817)
- 2- Keep only observations inside the Rubin/LSST field of view (angular separation < 1.7 degree)
- 3- Compute observation time in the GRB time frame
- 4- Compute spectra at observation time bins in magnitude
- 5- Keep only "real" observation for the right filter
- 6- Plot pseudo observed light curve

