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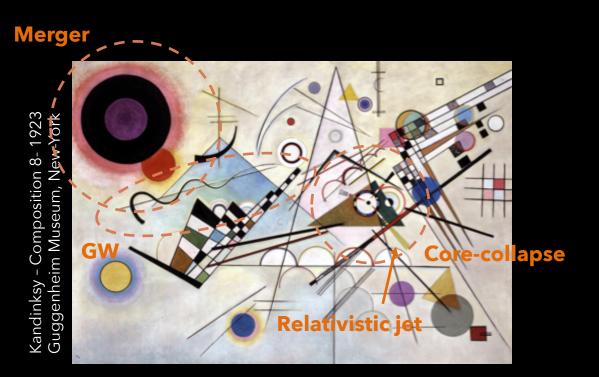
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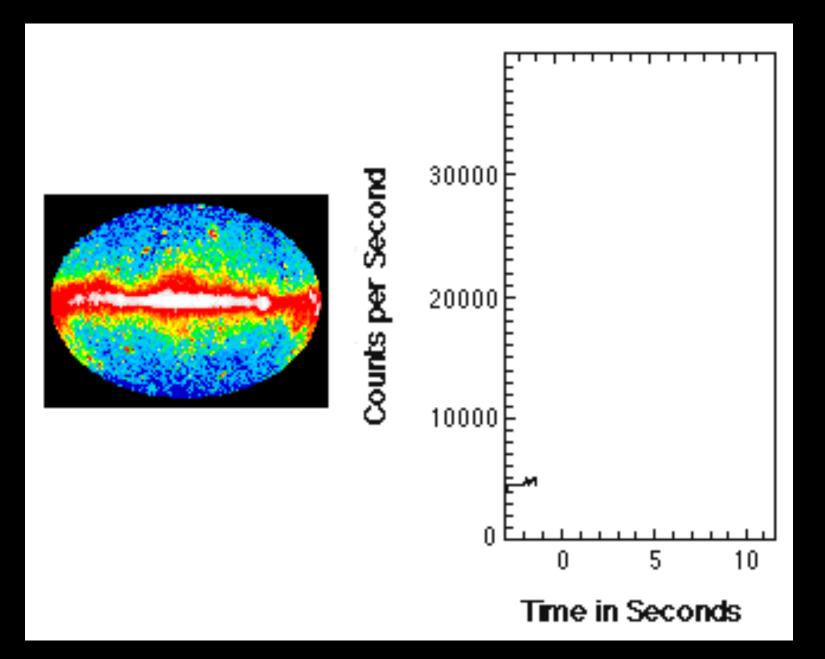
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#### Introduction

# What is a Gamma-Ray Burst?



#### Introduction

# Gamma-Ray Bursts: The discovery

#### Cuban Missile Crisis (October-November 1962) Partial Nuclear Test Ban Treaty (5 August 1963)

Treaty Banning Nuclear Weapon Tests in the Atmosphere, in Outer Space and under Water Signed by the Original Parties, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America at Moscow: 5 August 1963

The Governments of the United States of America, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, hereinafter referred to as the « Original Parties, »

Proclaiming as their principal aim the speediest possible achievement of an agreement on general and complete disarmament under strict international control in accordance with the objectives of the United Nations which would put an end to the armaments race and eliminate the incentive to the production and testing of all kinds of weapons, including nuclear weapons,

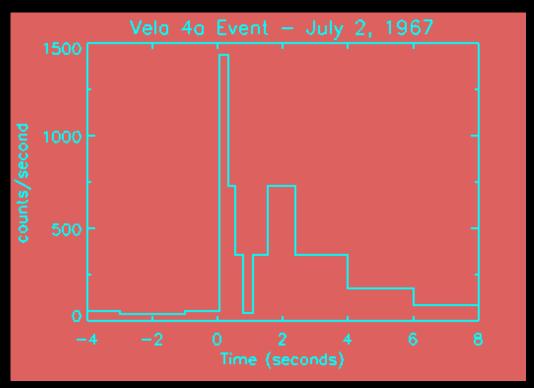
Seeking to achieve the discontinuance of all test explosions of nuclear weapons for all time, determined to continue negotiations to this end, and desiring to put an end to the contamination of man's environment by radioactive substances,

Have agreed as follows:

#### Article I

- 1. Each of the Parties to this Treaty undertakes to prohibit, to prevent, and not to carry out any nuclear weapon test explosion, or any other nuclear explosion, at any place under its jurisdiction or control:
  - (a) in the atmosphere; beyond its limits, including outer space; or under water, including territorial waters or high seas; or
  - (b) in any other environment if such explosion causes radioactive debris to be present outside the territorial limits of the State under whose jurisdiction or control such explosion is conducted. It is understood in this connection that the provisions of this subparagraph are without prejudice to the conclusion of a Treaty resulting in the permanent banning of all nuclear test explosions, including all such explosions underground, the conclusion of which, as the Parties have stated in the Preamble to this Treaty, they seek to achieve.
- 2. Each of the Parties to this Treaty undertakes furthermore to refrain from causing, encouraging, or in any way participating in, the carrying out of any nuclear weapon test explosion, or any other nuclear explosion, anywhere which would take place in any of the environments described, or have the effect referred to, in paragraph 1 of this Article.

# US military VELA program (3 pairs of satellites: 1963, 64 and 65)





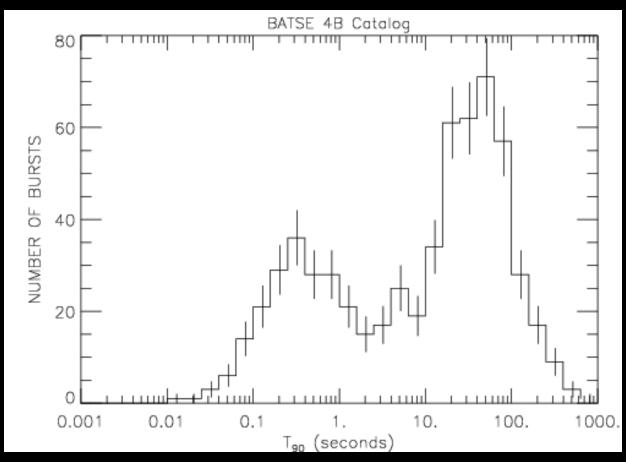
Gamma-Ray Burst are discovered in 1967.

Discovery paper: Klebesadel et al. 1973

#### Introduction

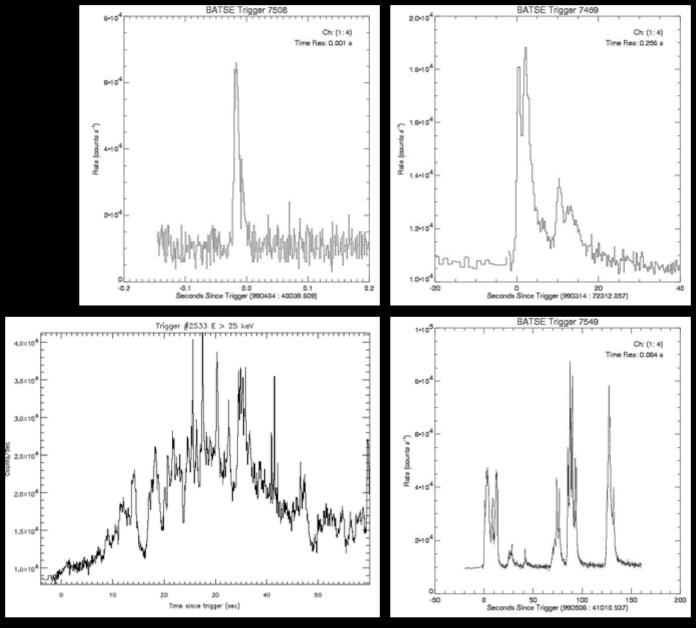
# Observational Facts (1) The GRB Prompt Emission

#### GRB Durations: Two Classes



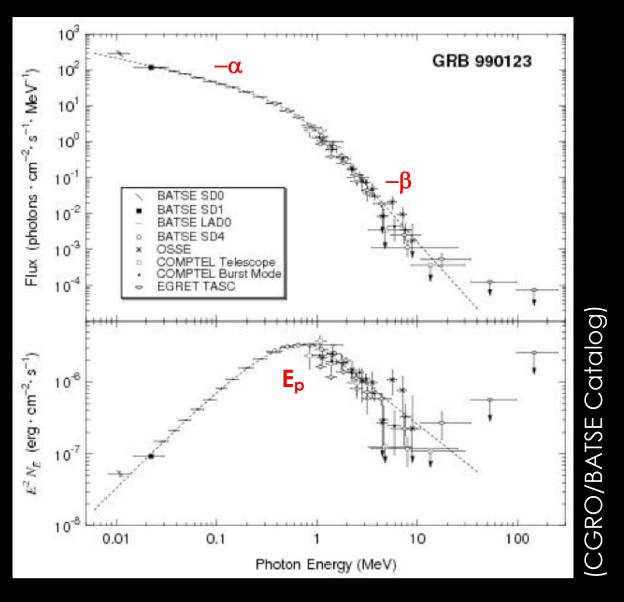
(CGRO/BATSE Catalog)

#### GRB Lightcurves: Diversity & Variability



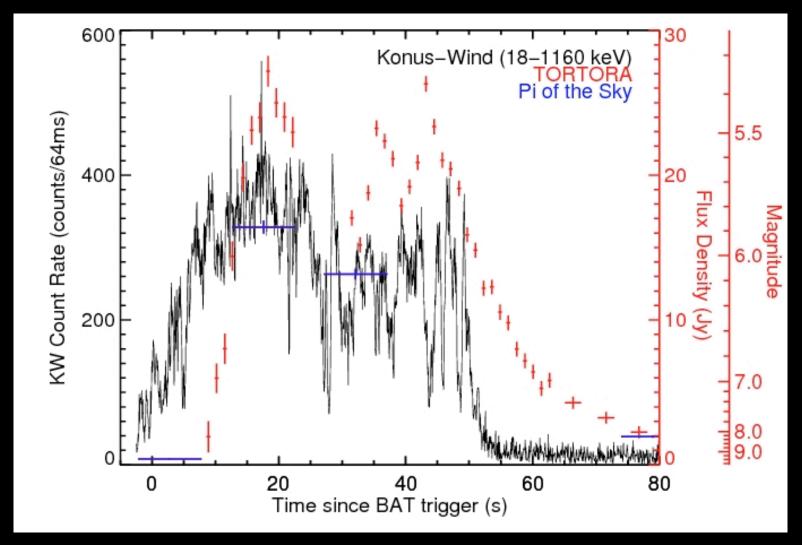
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#### GRB Spectra: Non-Thermal!



The peak energy typicaly ranges from 10 keV to 10 MeV The low energy photon index is typically  $\sim$  -1 but ranges from -1.5 to -0.5

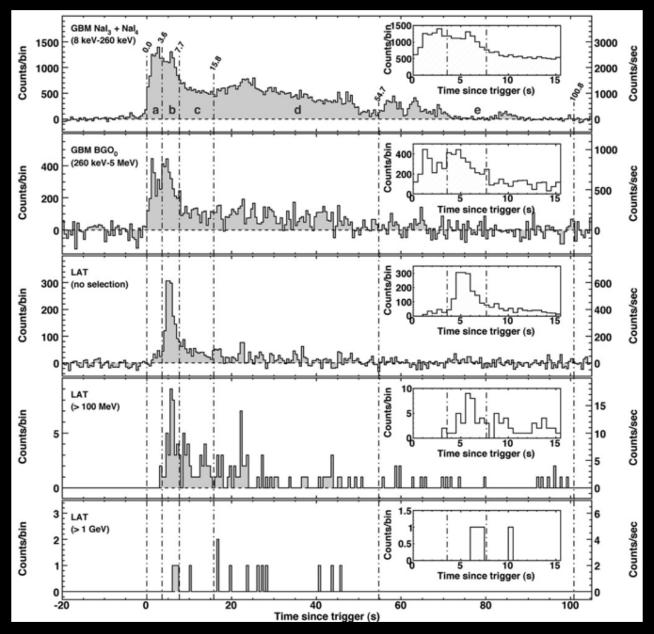
#### Optical Prompt Emission (rare observations)



The Naked Eye Burst: an extreme case (Racusin et al. 2008)

Great diversity: optical emission can be above or below the extrapolation of the soft gamma-ray spectrum

#### The High-Energy Gamma-Ray Emission (Fermi/LAT)



GRB 080916C (Abdo et al. 2009)

#### Introduction

## Location! Location! Location!

Gamma-Rays are difficult to localize: it looks 30 years to measure the distance of gamma-ray bursts.

Discussions in the 80s about the distance scale:

- Galactic GRBs: the most discussed scenario
- Extragalactic GRBs: an extreme scenario proposed by Paczynski (1986)

GRB Localization accuracy at that time:

- BATSE: ~ 10 degrees
- IPN: ~arcmin, but with a delay of several days



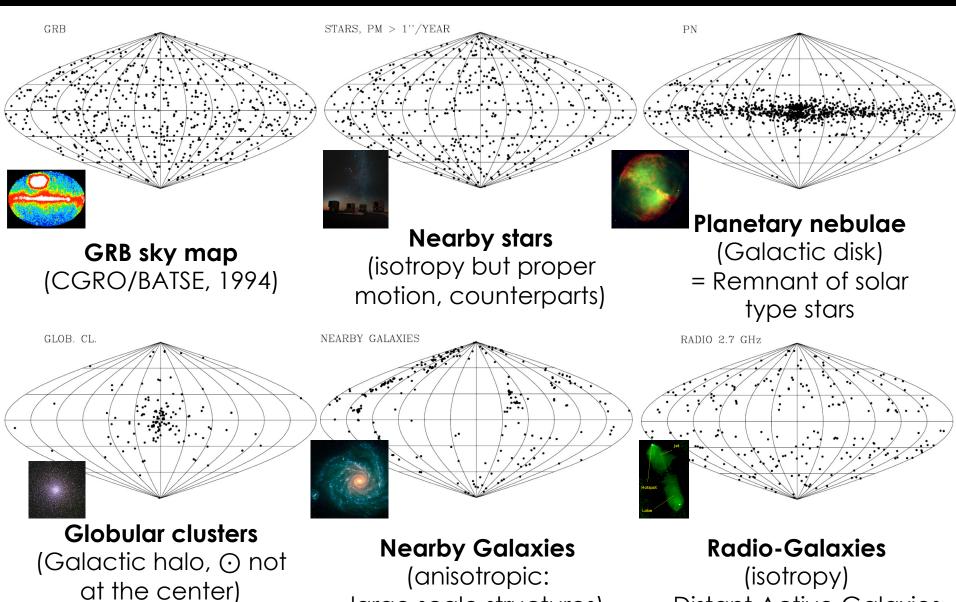
B. Paczynski (Extragalactic)

M. Rees (Moderator)

D. Lamb (Galactic)

Figures taken from B. Paczynski's presentation at the Great Debate

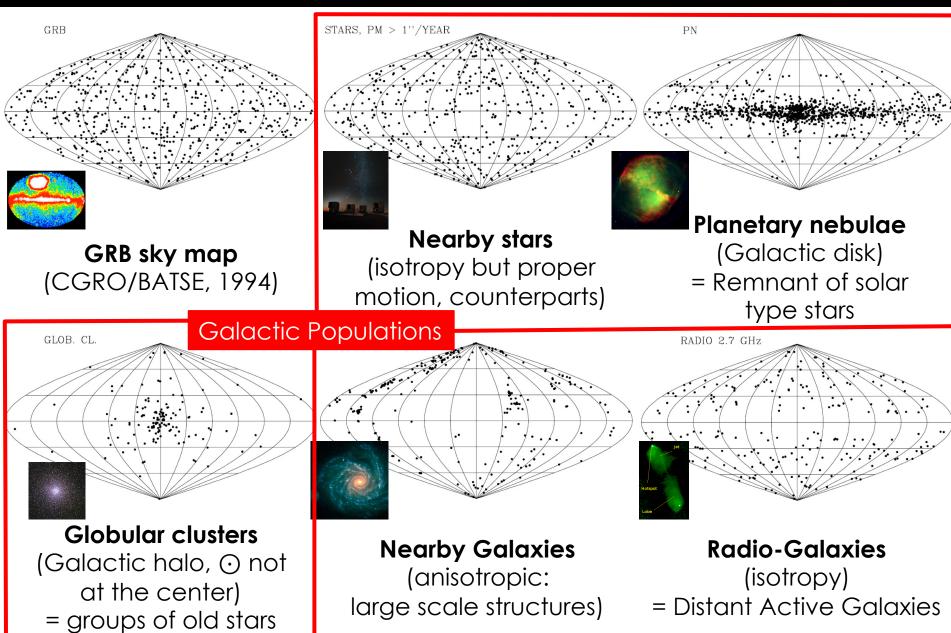
= groups of old stars



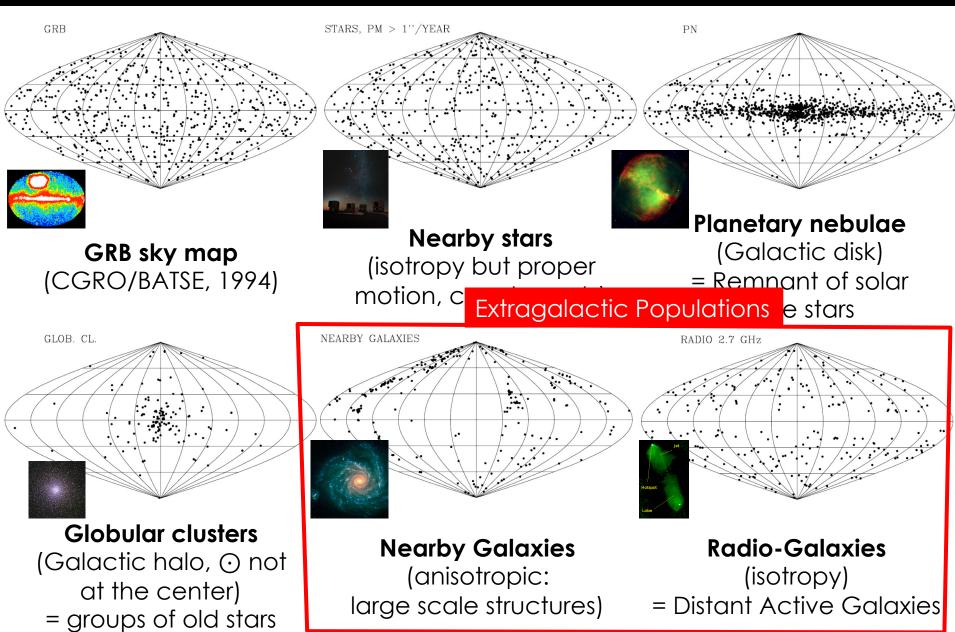
large scale structures)

= Distant Active Galaxies

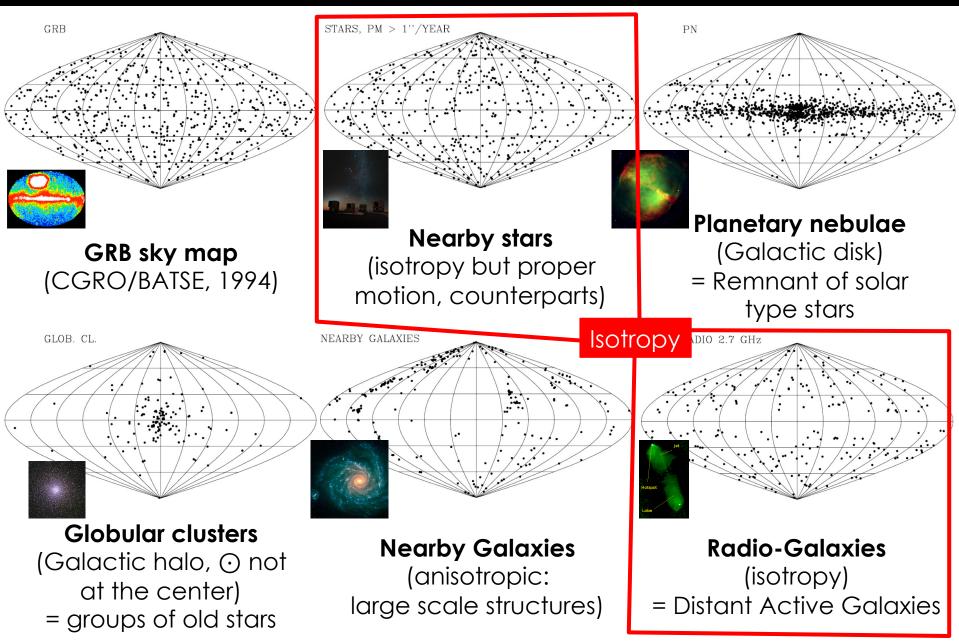
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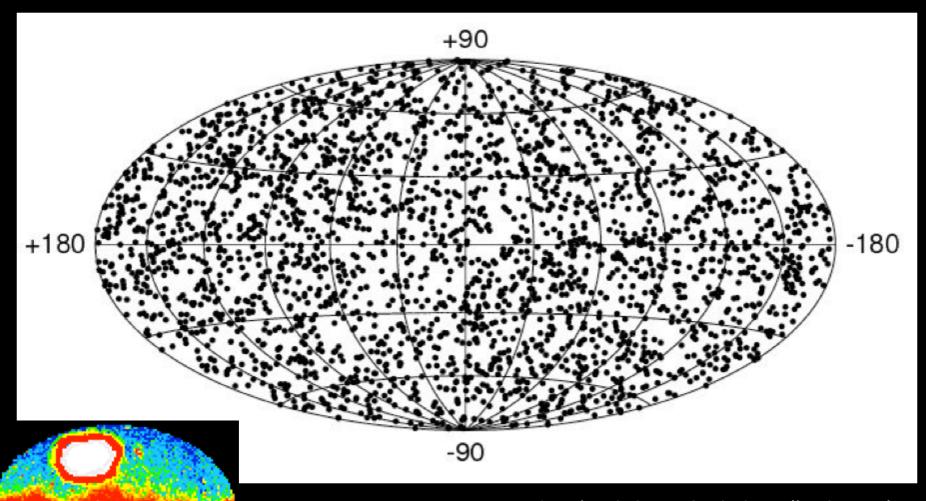
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#### The Distance Scale to GRBs?



BATSE Final GRB Catalog (isotropy)

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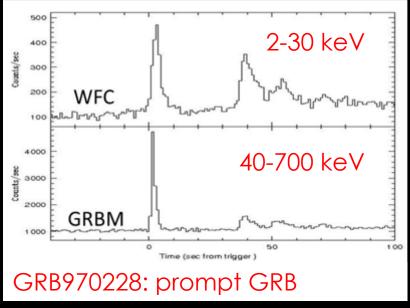
# The Discovery of Afterglows: GRBs occur at cosmological distance (Gpc)!

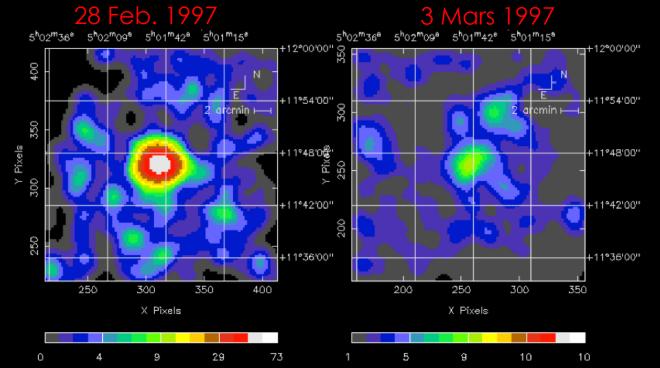
(Beppo-SAX, van Paradijs et al., 1997)

#### The First Afterglow: 970228

Beppo-SAX: γ-rays + X-rays

= better localization in case of a double <u>detection</u>





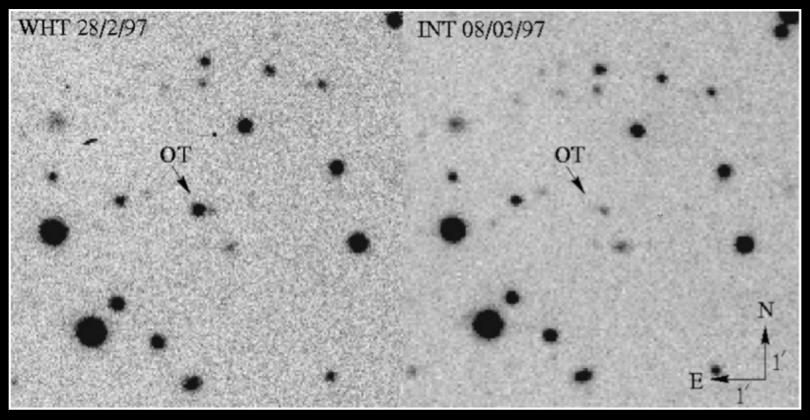
X-ray afterglow

Localization within 6 arcmin after 8 hours

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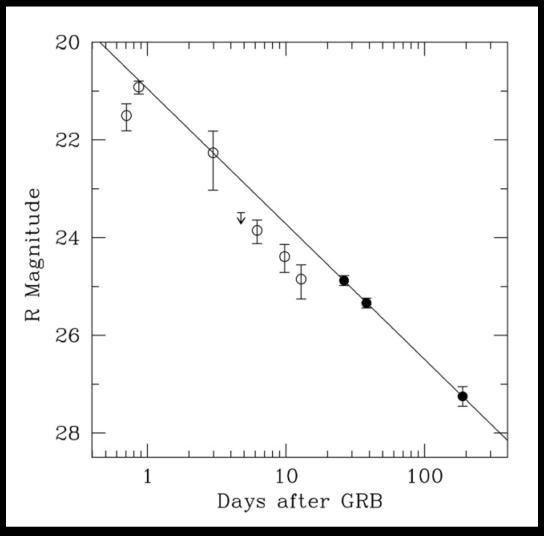
The accuracy of the localization of the X-ray afterglow allows an efficient follow-up with visible telescopes.

If the visible afterglow is detected: sub-arcsec localization.



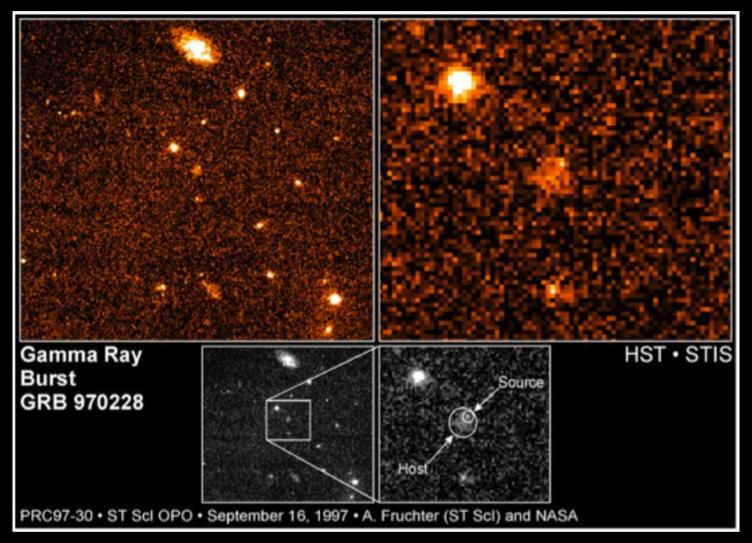
The optical afterglow of GRB970228 (van Paradijs et al. 97)

#### The First Afterglow: 970228



Lightcurve of the visible afterglow of GRB970228 Fast decay (flux ~t-1)

#### The First Host Galaxy: GRB970228

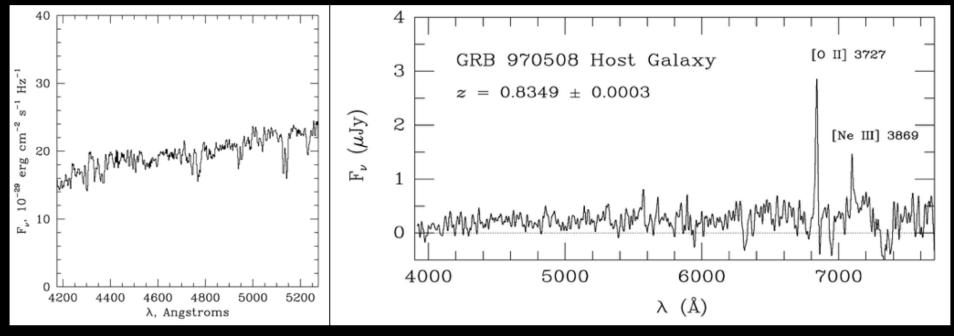


Fruchter et al. 1997

#### The First Redshift: GRB970508

Afterglow: absorption lines at z = 0.835

Host galaxy: emission lines at z = 0.835



Metzger et al. 1997

Gamma-ray Bursts occur at cosmological distance (Gpc)! They are intrinsically extremely bright ( $E_{iso,\gamma} \sim 10^{51-54}$  erg)

#### Sorting out models...

Model #	Author	Year Pub	Reference	Main Body	2nd Body	Place	Description	27. 28. 29. 30. 31. 32. 33.
73. 74. 75. 76. 77. 78. 78. 80. 81. 82. 83. 84. 89. 99. 99. 99. 100. 1001.	Babul et al. Livio et al. McBreen et al. Curtis Melia Ruderman et al. Paczynski Mulia Ruderman et al. Paczynski Mulia Blaes et al. Trofimenko et al. Surrock et al. Fenimore et al. Rodrigues Pineault et al. Melia Helia et al. Trofimenko Eichler et al. Wang et al. Alexander et al. Melia Helia et al. Mitrofanov et al. Dermer Blaes et al. Paczynski Zdziarski et al. Prineault Trofimenko et al. Melia et al. Holocomb et al.	1988 1988 1989 1989 1989 1989 1989 1989	ApJ, 316, L49 Nature, 327, 398 Nature, 327, 398 Nature, 332, 234 ApJ, 327, L81 ApJ, 335, 965 ApJ, 335, 506 ApJ, 335, 525 Nature, 336, 658 ApJ, 343, 839 Ap88S, 152, 105 ApJ, 346, 950 ApJ, 347, 1141 AJ, 98, 2280 ApJ, 347, 1141 ApJ, 347, 1141 ApJ, 346, 378 Ap8SS, 159, 301 Nature, 340, 126 PRL, 63, 1550 ApJ, 344, L1 ApJ, 351, 601 ApJ, 344, L1 ApJ, 363, 612 ApJ, 363, 612 ApJ, 363, 218 ApJ, 366, 343 Ap8SS, 178, 217 ApJ, 360, 197 ApJ, 366, 343 Ap8SS, 178, 217 ApJ, 378, 682 ApJ, 378, 682 ApJ, 378, 682 ApJ, 375, 209 ApJ, 381, 210	CSG & DSG 90 90 90 90 90 90 90 90 90 90 90 90 90	COM NS COM ISM MBR COM SS ISM	COS DISK COS DISK DISK DISK DISK DISK DISK DISK DIS	GRB result of energy released from cusp of cosmi Oort cloud around NS can explain soft gamma-rep G-wave bkgrd makes BL Lac wiggle across galaw ND collapses, burns to form new class of stable pBe/X-ray binary sys evolves to NS accretion with e+/- cascades by aligned pulsar outer-mag-spheric Energy released from cusp of cosmic string (revisabsorption features suggest separate colder region NS + accretion disk reflection explains GRB spec NS seismic waves couple to magnetospheric Alfet Kerr-Newman white holes NS - field accelerates electrons which then pair Narrow absorption features indicate small cold are Binary member loses part of crust, through L1, hit Fast NS though Oort clouds, fast WD bursts only Episodic electrostatic accel and Comp scat from in Different types of white, "grey" holes can emit GR NS - NS binary members collide, coalesce Cyclo res & Raman scat fits 20, 40 keV dips, mag CBD mag resonant opacity in NS atmosphere NS magnetospheric plasma oscillations Beaming of radiation necessary from magnetized Interstellar comets pass through dead pulsar's ma Compton scattering in strong NS magnetic field Old NS accretes from ISM, surface goes nuclear NS-NS collision causes v collisions to drive sup Scattering of microwave background photons by Young NS drifts through its own Oort cloud White hole supernova gave simul burst of g-wave NS B- field undergoes resistive tearing, accelerat Alfen waves in non-uniform NS atmosphere accel Strange stars emit binding energy in grav. rad. an Slow interstellar accretion onto NS, e- capture sta	34. 35. 38. 39. 40. 41. 42. 43. 445. 46. 51. 55. 55. 55. 60. 61. 63. 64. 65. 66. 67. 68. 67. 70.
106. 107. 108. 109. 110. 111. 112. 113. 114. 115. 116.	Frank et al. Woosley et al. Dar et al. Dar et al. Hanami Meszaros et al. Carter Usov Narayan et al. Narayan et al. Brainerd Meszaros et al. Geszaros et al. Cline et al. Rees et al.	1992 1992 1992 1992, 1992 1992	ApJ, 385, L45 ApJ, 391, 228 ApJ, 388, 164 ApJ, 389, L71 ApJ, 397, 570 ApJ, 391, L67 Nature, 357, 472 ApJ, 395, L83 ApJ, 395, L83 ApJ, 394, L33 MNRAS, 257, 29P ApJ, 401, L57 MNRAS, 258, 41P	NSDSSHSS HELSHS	PLAN NS ST NS NS JET NS ISM	DISK HALO COS COS COS COS COS COS COS COS COS CO	Low mass X-ray binary evolves into GRB sites Accreting WD collapses to NS WD accretes to form naked NS, GRBs, cosmic rays NS - planet magnetospheric interaction unstable NS - NS collision produces anisotropic fireball Normal stars tidally disrupted by galactic nucleus B WD collapses to form NS, B-field brakes NS rotatio NS - NS merger gives optically thick fireball BH-NS merger gives optically thick fireball Synchrotron emission from AGN jets BH-NS have vs collide to γs in clean fireball NS-NS have vs collide to γs in clean fireball Primordial BHs evaporating could account for short I Relativistic fireball reconverted to radiation when hits	n insta

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1. 2.	Colgate Colgate	1968 1974	CJPhys, 46, S476 ApJ, 187, 333	ST . ST		cos	SN shocks stellar surface in distant galaxy 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	0014	DISK	Superflare from nearby WD
5. 6.	Harwit et al. Lamb et al.	1973 1973	ApJ, 186, L37 Nature, 246, PS52	NS WD	COM ST	DISK	Relic comet perturbed to collide with old galactic NS Accretion onto WD from flare in companion
7.	Lamb et al.	1973	Nature 246 PS52	NS	ŠŤ	DISK	Accretion onto NS from flare in companion
8.	Lamb et al.	1973	Nature, 246, PS52 Ap&SS, 28, 111 ApJ, 187, L93	BH	ST	DISK	Accretion onto BH from flare in companion
9. 10.	Zwicky Grindlay et al.	1974 1974	Ap&SS, 28, 111	NS DG		HALO SOL	NS chunk contained by external pressure escapes, explodes Relativistic iron dust grain up-scatters solar radiation
11.	Brecher et al.	1974	ApJ, 187, L97	ST		DISK	Directed stellar flares on nearby stars
12.	Shklovskii	1974	SovAstron, 18, 390	WD	COM	DISK	Comet from system's cloud strikes WD
13.	Shklovskii	1974	SovAstron, 18, 390	NS ST	COM	DISK	Comet from system's cloud strikes NS
14. 15.	Bisnovatyi- et al. Bisnovatyi- et al.		Ap&SS, 35, 23 Ap&SS, 35, 23	ST	SN	cos	Absorption of neutrino emission from SN in stellar envelope Thermal emission when small star heated by SN shock wave
16.	Bisnovatyi- et al.		Ap&SS, 35, 23	NS	0.,	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. 19.	Narlikar et al. Tsygan	1974 1975	Nature, 251, 590	WH NS		COS HALO	White hole emits spectrum that softens with time
20.	Chanmugam	1974	A&A, 44, 21 ApJ, 193, L75 Ap&SS, 34, 395 Ap&SS, 35, 321	WD		DISK	NS corequake excites vibrations, changing E & B fields Convection inside WD with high B field produces flare Collapse of supermassive body in nucleus of active galaxy
21.	Prilutski et al.	1975	Ap&SS, 34, 395	AGN	ST	cos	Collapse of supermassive body in nucleus of active galaxy
22. 23.	Narlikar et al.	1975 1975	Ap&SS, 35, 321	WH BH		COS	WH excites synchrotron emission, inverse Compton scattering
23. 24.	Piran et al. Fabian et al.	1976	Nature, 256, 112 Ap&SS, 42, 77	NS		DISK	Inv Comp scat deep in ergosphere of fast rotating, accreting BH NS crustquake shocks NS surface
25.	Chanmugan	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. 28.	Woosley et al. Lamb et al.	1976 1977	Nature, 263, 101 ApJ, 217, 197	NS NS		DISK	Carbon detonation from accreted matter onto NS Mag gating of accret disk around NS causes sudden accretion
29.	Piran et al.	1977	ApJ. 214, 268	ВН		DISK	Instability in accretion onto rapidly rotating BH
30.	Dasgupta	1979	Ap&SS, 63, 517 A&A, 87, 224	DG		SOL	Charged intergal rel dust grain enters sol sys, breaks up WD surface nuclear burst causes chromospheric flares
31.	Tsygan	1980		WD		DISK	
32.	Tsygan	1980	A&A, 87, 224	NS		DISK	NS surface nuclear burst causes chromospheric tiares NS vibrations heat atm to pair produce, annihilate, synch cool
33. 34.	Ramaty et al. Newman et al.	1981 1980	Ap&SS, 75, 193 ApJ, 242, 319	NS NS	AST	DISK	Asteroid from interstellar medium hits NS
35.	Ramaty et al.	1980	Nature 287 122	NS		HALO	NS core quake caused by phase transition, vibrations Asteroid hits NS, B-field confines mass, creates high temp
36.	Howard et al.	1981	ApJ, 249, 302 Ap&SS, 77, 469 ApJ, 248, 771 ApJ, 249, 297	NS NS NS	AST	DISK	Asteroid hits NS, B-field confines mass, creates high temp
37. 38.	Mitrofanov et al.	1981 1981	Ap&SS, 77, 469	NS	AST	DISK	Helium flash cooled by MHD waves in NS outer layers Asteroid hits NS, tidally disrupts, heated, expelled along B lines
39.	Colgate et al. van Buren	1981	ApJ, 249, 297	NS NS MG NS	AST	DISK	Asteroid enters NS B field, dragged to surface collision
40.	Kuznetsov	1982	Cosnes, 20, 72	MG		SOL	Magnetic reconnection at heliopause
41.	Katz	1982	ApJ, 260, 371	NS		DISK	NS flares from pair plasma confined in NS magnetosphere Magnetic reconnection after NS surface He flash
42. 43.	Woosley et al. Fryxell et al.	1982 1982	ApJ, 258, 716 ApJ, 258, 733	NS NS		DISK	He fusion runaway on NS B-pole helium lake
44.	Hameury et al.	1982	A&A, 111, 242	NS NS		DISK	e- capture triggers H flash triggers He flash on NS surface
45.	Mitrofanov et al.	1982	A&A, 111, 242 MNRAS, 200, 1033 Nature, 297, 665	NS		DISK	B induced cyclo res in rad absorp giving rel e-s, inv C scat
46.	Fenimore et al.	1982	Nature, 297, 665 Ap&SS, 85, 459	NS NS	ISM	DISK	BB X-rays inv Comp scat by hotter overlying plasma
47. 48.	Lipunov et al. Baan	1982 1982	Ap.1 261 171	WD	ISIVI	HALO	ISM matter accum at NS magnetopause then suddenly accretes Nonexplosive collapse of WD into rotating, cooling NS
49.	Ventura et al.	1983	Nature, 301, 491 Ap&SS, 89, 447 SovAstron, 28, 62	NS	ST	DISK	NS accretion from low mass binary companion
50.	Bisnovatyi- et al.	. 1983	Ap&SS, 89, 447	NS		DISK DISK	Neutron rich elements to NS surface with quake, undergo fission Thermonuclear explosion beneath NS surface
51. 52.	Bisnovatyi- et al Ellison et al.	. 1984 1983	Sovastron, 28, 62 A&A, 128, 102	NS NS		HALO	NS corequake + uneven heating yield SGR pulsations
53.	Hameury et al.	1983	A&A. 128. 369	NS		DISK	B field contains matter on NS cap allowing fusion
54.	Bonazzola et al.	1984	A&A, 136, 89 ApJ, 290, 721	NS		DISK	NS surface nuc explosion causes small scale B reconnection
55.	Michel	1985	ApJ, 290, 721 ApJ, 283, L21	NS NS		DISK DISK	Remnant disk ionization instability causes sudden accretion Resonant EM absorp during magnetic flare gives hot synch e-s
56. 57.	Liang Liang et al.	1984 1984	Nature, 310, 121	NS		DISK	NS magnetic fields get twisted, recombine, create flare
58.	Mitrofanov	1984	Nature, 310, 121 Ap&SS, 105, 245	NS		DISK	NS magnetosphere excited by starquake Accretion instability between NS and disk
59.	Epstein	1985	An.i 201 822	NS		DISK HALO	Accretion instability between NS and disk Old NS in Galactic halo undergoes starquake
60. 61.	Shklovskii et al. Tsygan	1985 1984	MNHAS, 212, 545	NS NS		DISK	Weak B field NS spherically accretes, Comptonizes X-rays
62.	Usov	1984	MNRAS, 212, 545 Ap&SS, 106, 199 Ap&SS, 107, 191	NS		DISK	NS flares result of magnetic convective-oscillation instability
63.	Hameury et al.	1985	ApJ, 293, 56	NS		DISK	High Landau e-s beamed along B lines in cold atm. of NS
64.	Rappaport et al.	1985 1986	Nature, 314, 242	NS NS	COM	DISK	NS + low mass stellar companion gives GRB + optical flash NS tides disrupt comet, debris hits NS next pass
65. 66.	Tremaine et al. Muslimov et al.	1986	ApJ, 301, 155 Ap&SS, 120, 27	NS NS	COIVI	HALO	Radially oscillating NS
67.	Sturrock	1986	Nature, 321, 47	NS		DISK	Flare in the magnetosphere of NS accelerates e-s along B-field
68.	Paczynski	1986	ApJ, 308, L43	NS		COS	Cosmo GRBs: řel e+/- opt thk plasma outflow indicated Chain fission of superheavy nuclei below NS surface during SN
69. 70.	Bisnovatyi- et al Alcock et al.	. 1986 1986	SovAstron, 30, 582 PRL, 57, 2088	NS SS	SS	DISK	SN ejects strange mat lump craters rotating SS companion
70. 71.	Vahai et al.	1988	A&A, 207, 55	ST	55	DISK	Magnetically active stellar system gives stellar flare

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73. 74. 75. 76. 77. 78. 79. 80. 81. 82. 84. 89. 90. 91. 92. 93. 94. 95. 97. 100.	Babul et al. Livio et al. McBreen et al. Curtis Melia Ruderman et al. Paczynski ivurikami et al. Blaes et al. Trofimenko et al. Sturrock et al. Fenimore et al. Rodrigues Pineault et al. Melia et al. Trofimenko Eichler et al. Wang et al. Alexander et al. Melia et al. Ho et al. Warg et al. Fenimore et al. Mitrofanov et al. Dermer Blaes et al. Paczynski Zdziarski et al. Frineault Trofimenko et al. Melia et al. Holcomb et al. Holcomb et al. Holcomb et al.	1989 1988 1989 1989 1989 1989 1989 1989	ApJ, 316, L49 Nature, 327, 398 Nature, 322, 234 ApJ, 327, 181 ApJ, 335, 965 ApJ, 335, 965 ApJ, 335, 525 Nature, 336, 558 ApJ, 343, 839 ApSS, 152, 105 ApJ, 346, 950 ApJ, 346, 950 ApJ, 346, 950 ApJ, 346, 157 AJ, 98, 2280 ApJ, 346, 171 ApJ, 346, 378 ApSS, 159, 301 Nature, 340, 126 ApJ, 344, L1 ApJ, 344, L1 ApJ, 344, L1 ApJ, 348, L25 ApSS, 165, 137 ApJ, 363, 612 ApJ, 363, 612 ApJ, 366, 347 ApJ, 368, 347 ApJ, 378, 682	CZGWAGAGAGAGAGAGAGAGAGAGAGAGAGAGAGAGAGAGA	COM AGN  WD COM NS  COM ISM NS MBR COM SS	COS DISK DISK COS DISK DISK COS DISK DISK COS DISK DISK DISK DISK DISK DISK DISK DIS	GRB result of energy released from cusp of cosn Oort cloud around NS can explain soft gamma-re G-wave bkgrd makes BL Lac wiggle across gale WD collapses, burns to form new class of stable BeX-ray binary sys evolves to NS accretion with ex-reascades by aligned pulsar outer-mag-sphe Energy released from cusp of cosmic string (rev Absorption features suggest separate colder regit NS + accretion disk reflection explains GRB spe NS esismic waves couple to magnetospheric Alfe Kerr-Newman white holes NS E. field accelerates electrons which then pai Narrow absorption features indicate small cold ar Binary member loses part of crust, through L1, hi Fast NS though Oort clouds, fast WD bursts only Episodic electrostatic accel and Comp scat from Different types of white, "grey" holes can emit Gf NS - NS binary members collide, coalesce Cyclo res & Raman scat fits 20, 40 keV dips, mo CED mag resonant opacity in NS atmosphere and ED mag resonant opacity in NS atmosphere NS magnetospheric plasma oscillations Beaming of radiation necessary from magnetized Interstellar comets pass through dead pulsar's m Compton scattering in strong NS magnetic field Old NS accretes from ISM, surface goes nuclear NS-NS collision causes v collisions to drive sug Scattering of microwave background photons by Young NS drifts through its own Oort cloud White hole supernova gave simul burst of g-wavn NS B- field undergoes resistive tearing, accelera Alfen waves in non-uniform NS atmosphere acce

#### End of 1991: first BATSE results

105. 106. 107. 108. 109. 110.	Frank et al. Woosley et al. Dar et al. Hanami Meszaros et al. Carter Usov	1992 1992 1992 1992 1992 1992 1992	ApJ, 385, L45 ApJ, 391, 228 ApJ, 388, 164 ApJ, 389, L71 ApJ, 397, 570 ApJ, 391, L67 Nature, 357, 472	NS NS NS NS NS NS NS	PLAN NS ST	DISK HALO COS COS COS COS COS	Low mass X-ray binary evolves into GRB sites Accreting WD collapses to NS WD accretes to form naked NS, GRBs, cosmic rays NS - planet magnetospheric interaction unstable NS - NS collision produces anisotropic fireball Normal stars tidally disrupted by galactic nucleus BH 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
113. 114.	Narayan et al. Brainerd			BH AGN	NS JET	COS	BH-NS merger gives optically thick fireball Synchrotron emission from AGN jets
115.	Meszaros et al.	1992	MNRAS, 257, 29P	BH	NS	cos	BH-NS have vs collide to vs in clean fireball
116.	Meszaros et al.	1992	MNRAS, 257, 29P	NS	NS	COS	NS-NS have vs collide to vs in clean fireball
117.	Cline et al.	1992	ApJ, 401, L57	вн		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

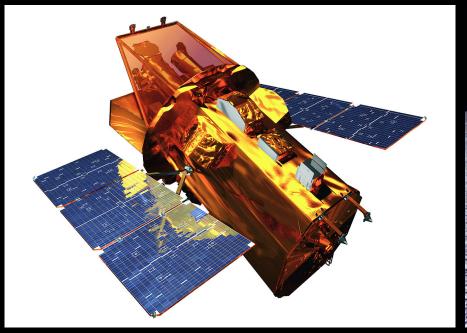
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1.	Colgate	1968	CJPhys, 46, S476 ApJ, 187, 333	ST .		COS	SN shocks stellar surface in distant galaxy
2. 3.	Colgate Stecker et al.	1974 1973	ApJ, 187, 333 Nature, 245, PS70	ST ST		DISK	Type II SN shock brem, inv Comp scat at stellar surface Stellar 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 WD	COM	DISK	Relic comet perturbed to collide with old galactic NS
6. 7.	Lamb et al. Lamb et al.	1973 1973	Nature, 246, PS52 Nature, 246, PS52	WD NS	ST ST	DISK	Accretion onto WD from flare in companion Accretion onto NS from flare in companion
	Lamb et al.	1973	Nature, 246, PS52 Nature, 246, PS52 Ap&SS, 28, 111 ApJ, 187, L93 ApJ, 187, L97	BH	šŤ	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. 12.	Brecher et al. Shklovskii	1974 1974	ApJ, 187, L97 SovAstron, 18, 390	ST WD	СОМ	DISK	Directed stellar flares on nearby stars Comet from system's cloud strikes WD
13.	Shklovskii	1974	SovAstron, 18, 390	NS	COM	DISK	Comet from system's cloud strikes NS
14.	Bisnovatyi- et al.	1975	Ap&SS, 35, 23	NS ST		COS	Absorption of neutrino emission from SN in stellar envelope
15.	Bisnovatyi- et al.		Ap&SS, 35, 23	SI	SN	cos	Thermal emission when small star heated by SN shock wave
16. 17.	Bisnovatyi- et al. Pacini et al.	. 1975 1974	Ap&SS, 35, 23	NS NS		COS	Ejected matter from NS explodes NS crustal starquake glitch; should time coincide with GRB
18.	Narlikar et al.	1974	Nature, 251, 399 Nature, 251, 590	WH		COS	White hole emits spectrum that softens with time
19.	Tsygan	1975	A&A, 44, 21 ApJ, 193, L75 Ap&SS, 34, 395 Ap&SS, 35, 321	NS WD		COS	NS corequake excites vibrations, changing E & B fields Convection inside WD with high B field produces flare Collapse of supermassive body in nucleus of active galaxy
20.	Chanmugam	1974 1975	ApJ, 193, L75	WD	CT	DISK	Convection inside WD with high B field produces flare
21. 22.	Prilutski et al. Narlikar et al.	1975	Apass 35 321	AGN WH	ST	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	Inv Comp scat deep in ergosphere of fast rotating, accreting BH NS crustquake shocks NS surface Magnetic WD suffers MHD instabilities, flares
25. 26.	Chanmugan Mullan	1976 1976	Ap&SS, 42, 83 ApJ, 208, 199	WD WD		DISK	Magnetic WD suffers MHD instabilities, flares 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	Nature, 263, 101 ApJ, 217, 197 ApJ, 214, 268	NS NS		DISK	Mag gating of accret disk around NS causes sudden accretion
29.	Piran et al.	1977	ApJ, 214, 268	вн		DISK	Instability in accretion onto rapidly rotating BH
30. 31.	Dasgupta Tsygan	1979 1980	Ap&SS, 63, 517 A&A, 87, 224	DG WD		SOL DISK	Charged intergal rel dust grain enters sol sys, breaks up WD surface nuclear burst causes chromospheric flares
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32. 33.	Tsygan Ramaty et al.	1980 1981	A&A, 87, 224 Ap&SS, 75, 193	NS		DISK	NS vibrations heat atm to pair produce, annihilate, synch cool
34.	Newman et al.	1980	ApJ, 242, 319	NS	AST	DISK	Asteroid from interstellar medium hits NS
35.	Ramaty et al.	1980	Nature, 287, 122	NS NS NS NS NS	4.07	HALO	NS core quake caused by phase transition, vibrations
36.	Howard et al.	1981	ApJ, 249, 302 Ap&SS, 77, 469	NS	AST	DISK	Asteroid hits NS, B-field confines mass, creates high temp Helium flash cooled by MHD waves in NS outer layers
37. 38.	Mitrofanov et al. Colgate et al.	1981	ApJ, 248, 771	NS	AST	DISK	Asteroid hits NS, tidally disrupts, heated, expelled along B lines
39.	van Buren	1981	ApJ, 249, 297	NS	AST	DISK	Asteroid enters NS B field, dragged to surface collision
40.	Kuznetsov	1982	CosRes, 20, 72	MG		SOL	Magnetic reconnection at heliopause
41. 42.	Katz Woosley et al.	1982 1982	ApJ, 260, 371 ApJ, 258, 716 ApJ, 258, 733	NS		DISK DISK	NS flares from pair plasma confined in NS magnetosphere Magnetic reconnection after NS surface He flash
43.	Fryxell et al.	1982	ApJ. 258, 733	NS NS		DISK	He fusion runaway on NS B-pole helium lake
44.	Hameury et al.	1982	A&A, 111, 242 MNRAS, 200, 1033	NS		DISK	e- capture triggers H flash triggers He flash on NS surface
45.	Mitrofanov et al.	1982	MNRAS, 200, 1033	NS		DISK	B induced cyclo res in rad absorp giving rel e-s, inv C scat BB X-rays inv Comp scat by hotter overlying plasma
46. 47.	Fenimore et al. Lipunov et al.	1982 1982	Nature, 297, 665 Ap&SS, 85, 459	NS NS	ISM	DISK	ISM matter accum at NS magnetopause then suddenly accretes
47. 48.	Baan	1982	ApJ, 261, L71	WD		HALO	Nonexplosive collapse of WD into rotating, cooling NS
49.	Ventura et al.	1983	Nature, 301, 491	NS	ST	DISK	NS accretion from low mass binary companion
50.	Bisnovatyi- et al	1983	Ap&SS, 89, 447	NS		DISK	Neutron rich elements to NS surface with quake, undergo fission
51. 52.	Bisnovatyi- et al Ellison et al.	. 1984 1983	SovAstron, 28, 62 A&A, 128, 102	NS NS		DISK	Thermonuclear explosion beneath NS surface NS coreguake + uneven heating yield SGR pulsations
52. 53.	Hameury et al.	1983	A&A, 128, 369	NS		DISK	B field contains matter on NS cap allowing fusion
54.	Bonazzola et al.	1984	A&A, 128, 369 A&A, 136, 89 ApJ, 290, 721 ApJ, 283, L21	NS NS		DISK	NS surface nuc explosion causes small scale B reconnection
55.	Michel	1985	ApJ, 290, 721	NS		DISK	Remnant disk ionization instability causes sudden accretion
56. 57.	Liang Liang et al.	1984 1984	ApJ, 283, L21 Nature, 310, 121	NS NS		DISK	Resonant EM absorp during magnetic flare gives hot synch e-s NS magnetic fields get twisted, recombine, create flare
57. 58.	Mitrofanov	1984	Ap&SS, 105, 245	NS		DISK	NS magnetosphere excited by starquake
59.	Epstein	1985	ApJ, 291, 822	NS		DISK	NS magnetosphere excited by starquake Accretion instability between NS and disk
60.	Shklovskii et al.	1985	MNRAS 212 545	NS		HALO DISK	Old NS in Galactic halo undergoes starquake Weak B field NS spherically accretes, Comptonizes X-rays
61. 62.	Tsygan Usov	1984 1984	Ap&SS, 106, 199 Ap&SS, 107, 191 ApJ, 293, 56	NS NS		DISK	NS flares result of magnetic convective-oscillation instability
63.	Hameury et al.	1985	ApJ, 293, 56	NS		DISK	High Landau e-s beamed along B lines in cold atm. of NS
64.	Rappaport et al.	1985	Nature, 314, 242	NS	00	DISK	NS + low mass stellar companion gives GRB + optical flash
65.	Tremaine et al.	1986	ApJ, 301, 155	NS NS	COM	DISK	NS tides disrupt comet, debris hits NS next pass
66. 67.	Muslimov et al. Sturrock	1986 1986	Ap&SS, 120, 27 Nature, 321, 47	NS NS		HALO DISK	Radially oscillating NS Flare in the magnetosphere of NS accelerates e-s along B-field
68.	Paczynski	1986	ApJ, 308, L43	NS		cos	Cosmo GRBs: rel e+/- opt thk plasma outflow indicated
69.	Bisnovatyi- et al	. 1986	SovAstron, 30, 582	NS	1	DISK	Chain fission of superheavy nuclei below NS surface during SN
70.	Alcock et al.	1986	PRL, 57, 2088	SS ST	SS	DISK	SN ejects strange mat lump craters rotating SS companion
71.	Vahai et al.	1988	A&A, 207, 55	SI		DISK	Magnetically active stellar system gives stellar flare
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Paczynski 1986

#### Introduction

# Observational Facts (2) The Afterglow Emission

#### Neils Gehrels Swift Observatory





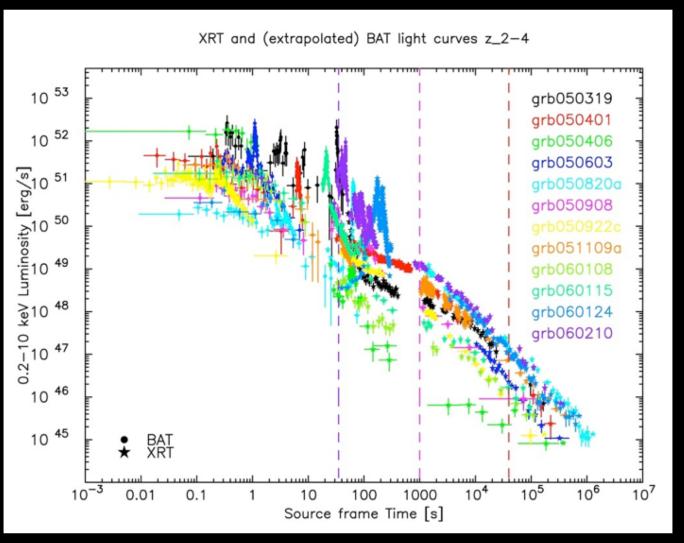
Three instruments to observe gamma-ray bursts:

The mask of BAT

#### (1) Prompt Emission:

- BAT: coded mask telescope (15-150 keV), large field of view = trigger + on-board localization (~arcmin) in real time
- (2) Afterglow (after a satellite slew within ~1 min)
- XRT: X-ray Telescope
- UVOT: Visible Telescope

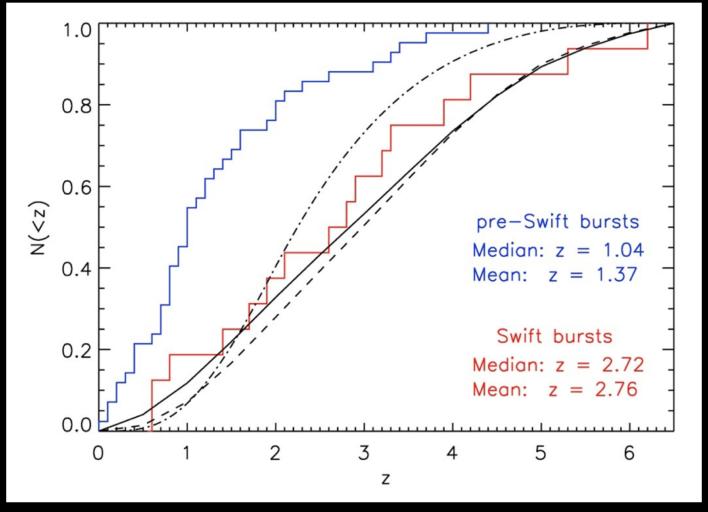
#### Complexity of Afterglow Lightcurves



Swift XRT

Plateaus, flares, bumps, etc.

#### Redshift distribution



Jakobsson et al. 2006

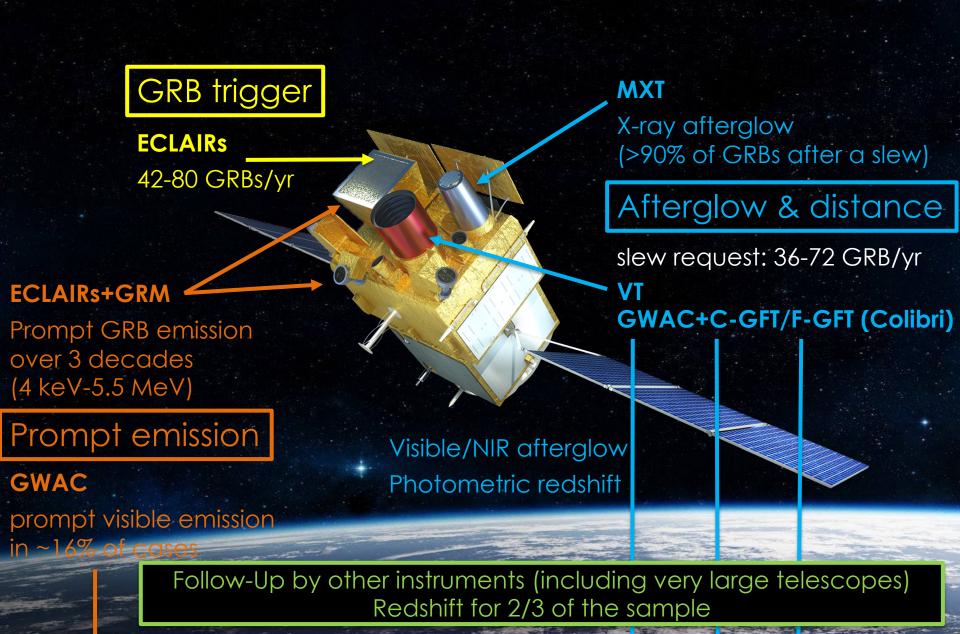
Maximum redshift: 090423: z=8.2 (spectro-z) ; 090429B: z=9.4 (photo-z)

#### Observational Strategy: many challenges

To study GRBs (and possibly use them for someting else: cosmology, ...), you want ideally:

- To characterize properly the prompt GRB emission (lightcurve+spectrum) γ-rays: Fermi-GBM+LAT (8 keV-10 GeV); Swift-BAT (15-150 keV) optical: robotic telescopes; radio?; VHE γ-rays: CTA?
- To localize accurately and in near real time the prompt GRB (~a few arcmin)
  Best current method: coded-mask telescope = Swift-BAT
- To make a very rapid multi-wavelength follow-up
  X-rays: slewing satelite Swift-XRT
  Optical: slewing satelite Swift-UVOT / robotic telescopes
  Other wavelengths: rapid/robotic mode or very large fov
- To make the long-term photometric follow-up of the afterglow = large instruments
- To obtain the UV-optical-IR spectrum of the afterglow = (very) large instruments at early times, e.g. VLT/XSHOOTER
- To identify and characterize the host galaxy = (very) large instruments
- To measure the redshift: photo-z (afterglow) or spectro-z (afterglow/host)
- Etc.

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#### Tuesday's lectures:

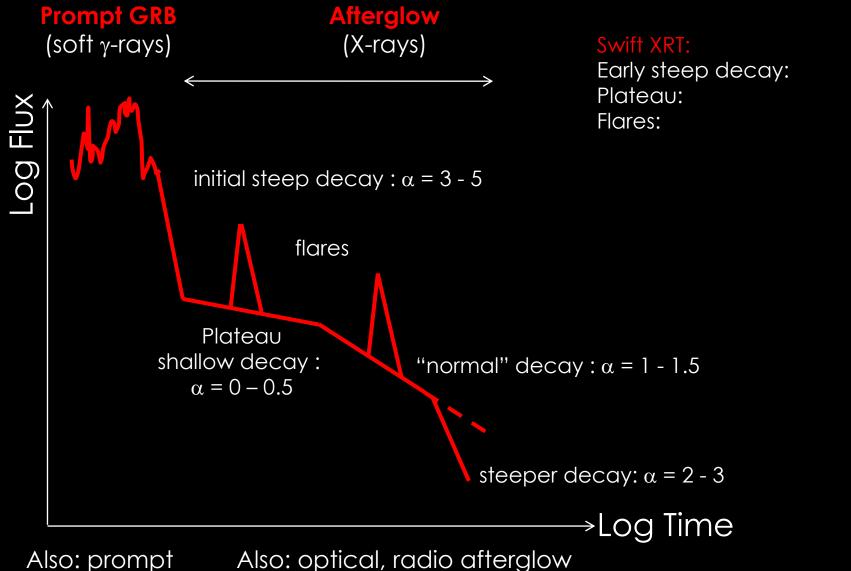
- S. Schanne: observation of the prompt emission
- S. Vergani & D. Götz: follow-up and observation of the afterglow and host



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# Observational Facts (3) Prompt + Afterglow Summary

#### GRB Lightcurves: prompt to afterglow



optical, GeV

Also: optical, radio afterglow long-lasting Fermi/LAT emission

+ VHE gamma-rays in a few cases (MAGIC, HESS, LHASSO)

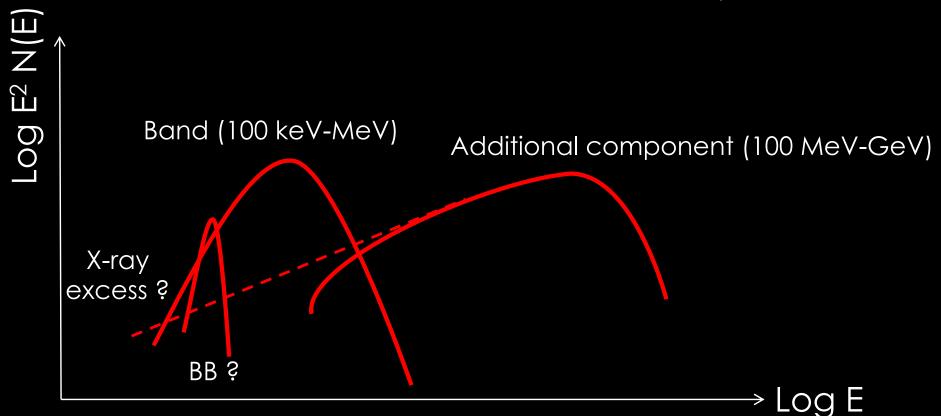
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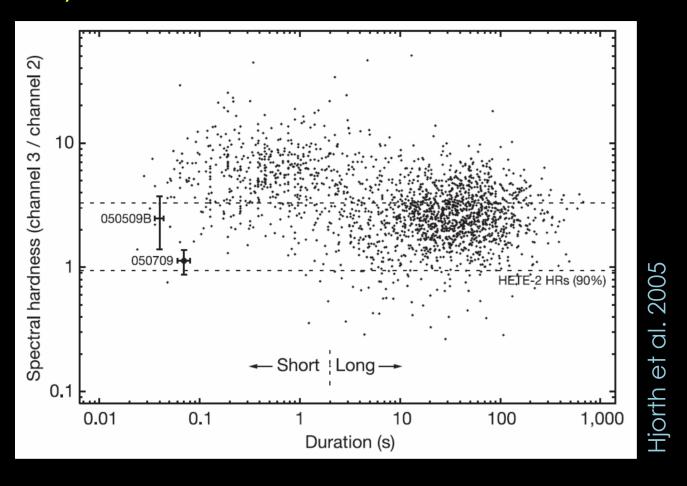
#### GRB Spectrum: Prompt





GRB Spectrum: Afterglow = non-thermal, probably 2 components

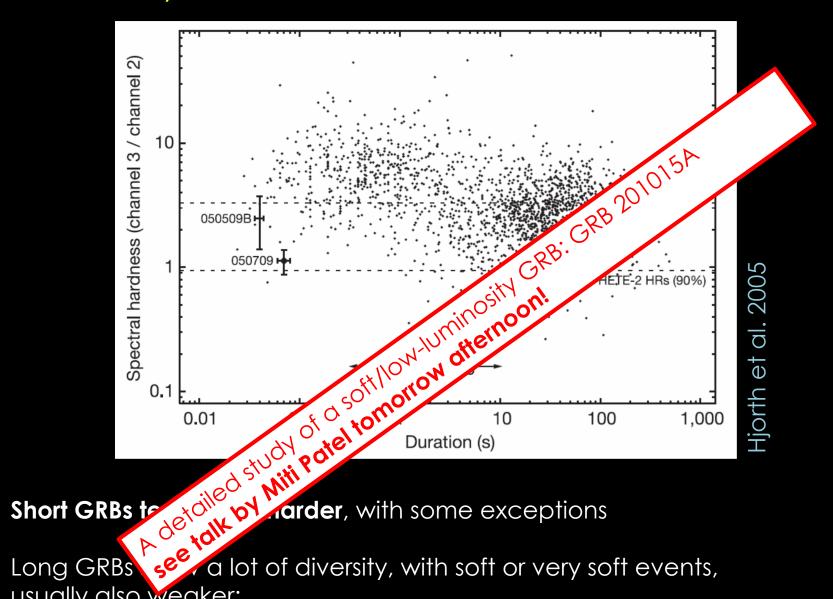
#### GRB diversity: XRR, XRFs, Low-L GRBs, etc.



- **Short GRBs tend to be harder**, with some exceptions
- Long GRBs show a lot of diversity, with soft or very soft events, usually also weaker:
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Example: afterglow of 170817

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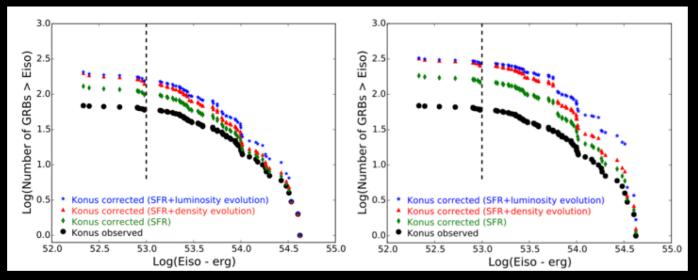
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# Basic Constraints on any GRB Model

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VHE detection by LHASSO
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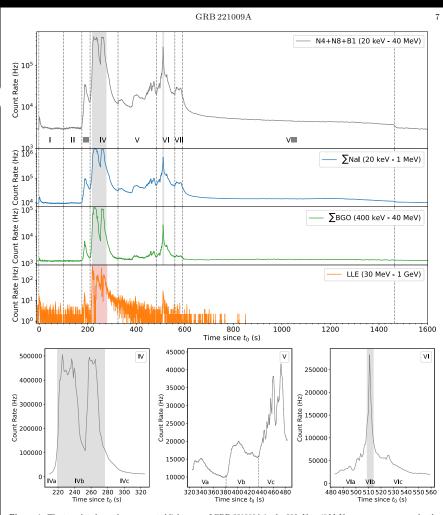


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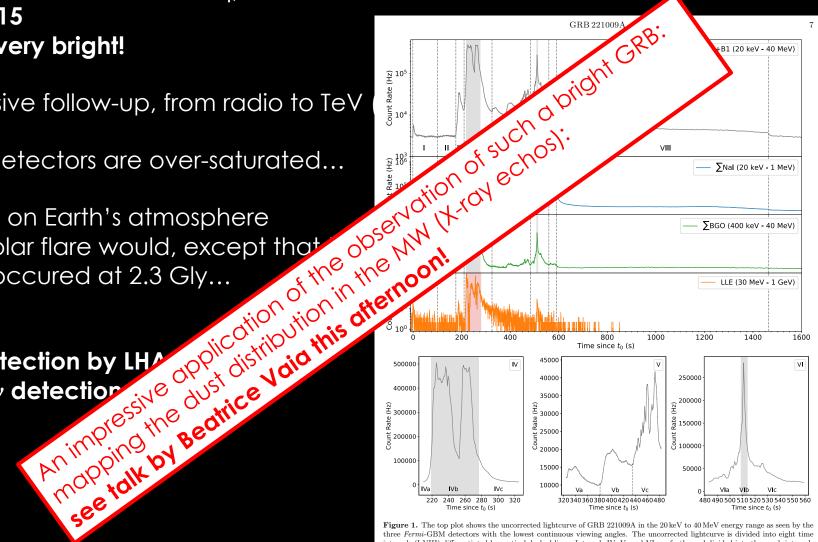
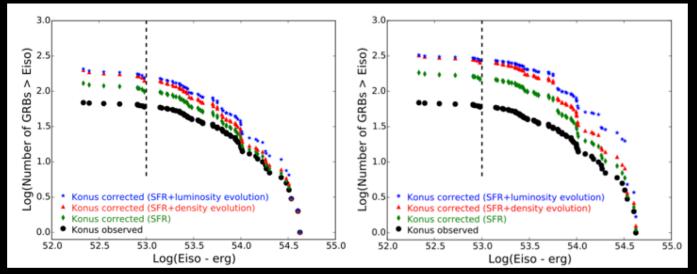


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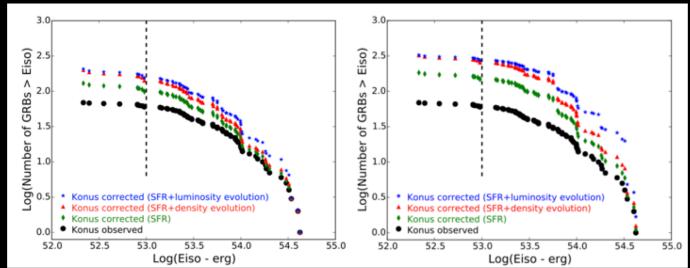
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$$\Delta \mathcal{E}_{\text{collapse}} \simeq \alpha \frac{GM^2}{E} \simeq 2\alpha \, 10^{53} \, \text{erg} \, \left(\frac{GM/Rc^2}{0.1}\right) \left(\frac{M}{M_{\odot}}\right)$$

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Pair production 
$$\gamma\gamma \to \mathrm{e^+e^-} \qquad \text{Threshold:} \qquad \left(\frac{E_{\mathrm{LE}}}{m_{\mathrm{e}}c^2}\right) \left(\frac{E_{\mathrm{HE}}}{m_{\mathrm{e}}c^2}\right) \geq \frac{2}{1-\cos\theta}$$
 
$$\gamma\gamma \to \mathrm{e^+e^-} \qquad \text{Cross section:} \quad \sigma_{\gamma\gamma} \left(E_{\mathrm{LE}}; E_{\mathrm{HE}}, \theta\right) \simeq \sigma_{\mathrm{T}} \, \delta \left(1 - \frac{E_{\mathrm{LE}}}{2E_{\mathrm{th}}(E_{\mathrm{HE}}, \theta)}\right)$$
 
$$\text{Observed $\gamma$-ray spectrum:} \quad \frac{\mathrm{d}N}{\mathrm{d}E_{\mathrm{obs}}} \simeq (\beta-2) \, \frac{\mathcal{E}_{\gamma,\mathrm{iso},\mathrm{HE}}}{E_{\mathrm{p,obs}}^2} \left(\frac{E_{\mathrm{obs}}}{E_{\mathrm{p,obs}}}\right)^{-\beta}$$
 
$$\text{with } \beta \simeq 2.3 \qquad E_{\mathrm{p,obs}} \simeq 150 \, \mathrm{keV}$$
 
$$E_{\mathrm{max,obs}} \gtrsim 1 \, \mathrm{MeV}$$

Assume there is a frame where the radiation field is isotropic:

Photon density: 
$$\frac{\mathrm{d}^2 n}{\mathrm{d} E \mathrm{d} \Omega} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \frac{1}{V} \times (\beta - 2) \frac{\mathcal{E}_{\mathrm{iso,HE}}}{E_{\mathrm{p,obs}} E_{\mathrm{p}}} \left(\frac{E}{E_{\mathrm{p}}}\right)^{-\beta}$$

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Gamma-rays can escape the source if they are produced at large distance in an ultra-relativistic ejecta (Lorentz factor > 100).

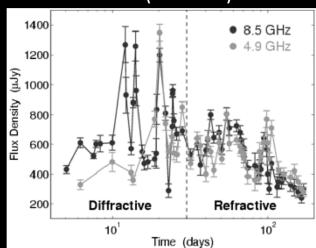
## Relativistic motion: direct evidence = apparent superluminic motion (rare)

#### Method 1

Radio scintillation quenches as the source increases Transition diffractive / refractive : estimate of the size

From the size, the apparent velocity is deduced: superluminic apparent motion: relativistic motion

#### GRB030329 (HETE-2)



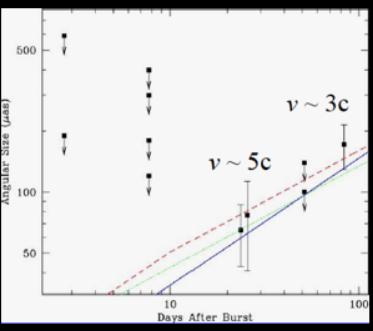
5 μas (2 10<sup>17</sup> cm)

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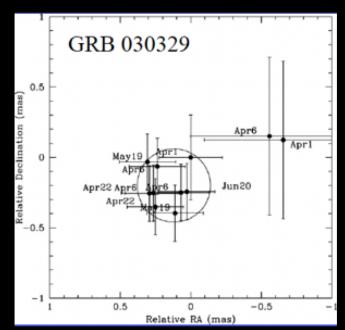
#### Method 2

VLBI allows to resolve the late afterglow for nearby bursts

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Taylor et al. 2004

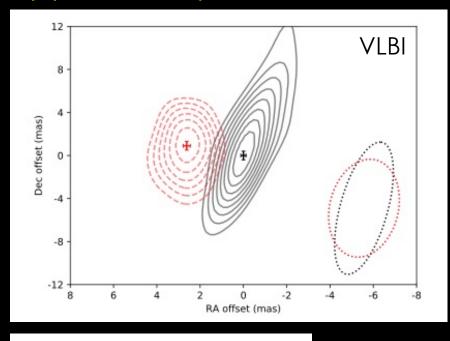


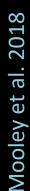
After 25 days: 65 μαs (5.7 10<sup>17</sup> cm)

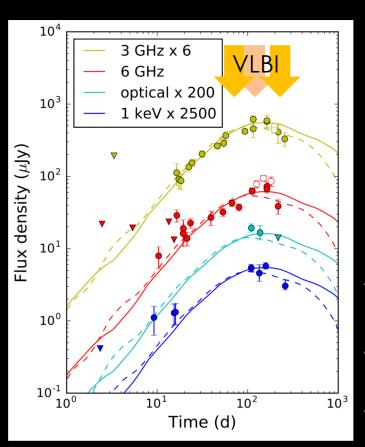
Proper motion: 0.1 mas in 80 days

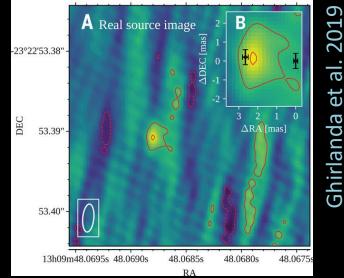
# Alexander et al. 2018

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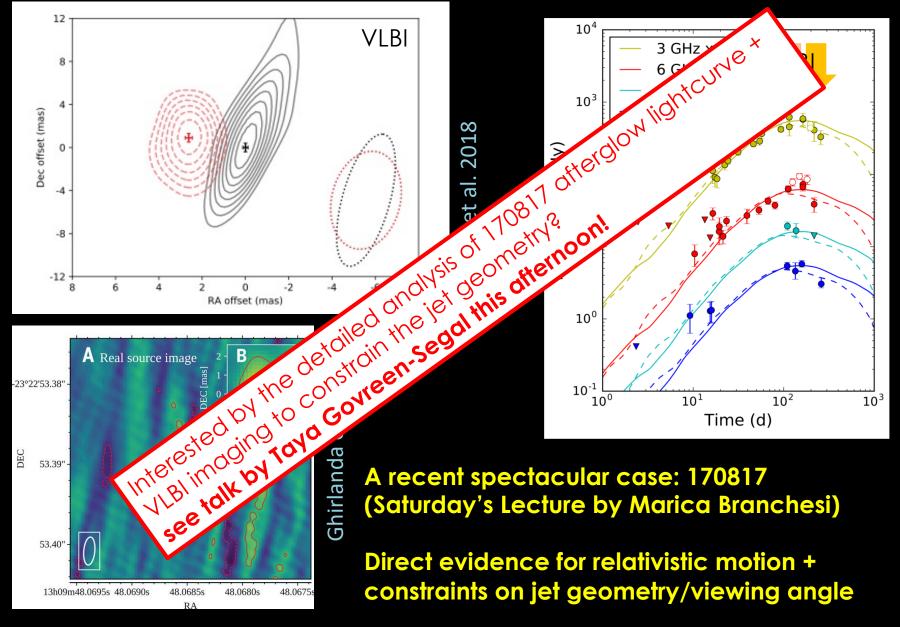




A recent spectacular case: 170817 (Saturday's Lecture by Marica Branchesi)

Direct evidence for relativistic motion + constraints on jet geometry/viewing angle

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#### γγ cutoff in the HE spectrum?

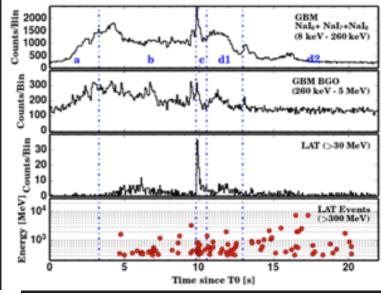
GRB 090926A (Fermi-LAT): first observed cutoff at high-energy

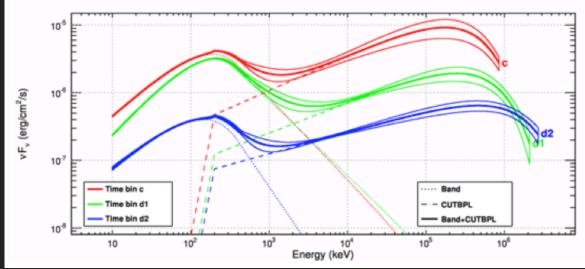
(Ackermann et al. 2011)

New analysis and interpretation:

Path 8: 447  $\rightarrow$  1088 evts in LAT (× 2.4)

cutoff is better detected, in several time bins





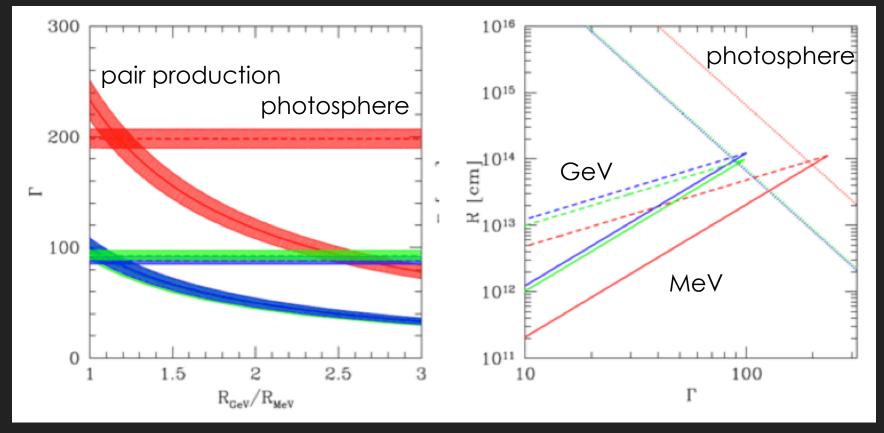
Yassine, Piron, Mochkovitch & Daigne 2017

#### $\gamma\gamma$ cutoff in the HE spectrum?

Strong constraint on Lorentz factor and emission radius

- Lorentz factor ~ 230 to 100
- Emission radius ~ 10<sup>14</sup> cm
- Photospheric radius ~5 10<sup>13</sup> cm

Compatible with « standard scenario » (shocks/reconnection above photosphere)



Yassine, Piron, Mochkovitch & Daigne 2017

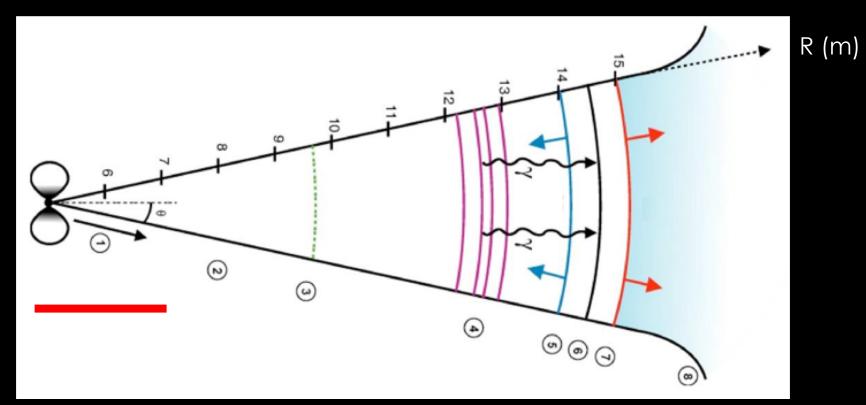
#### **GRB Physics**

## « Standard » Scenario & Characteristic Radii

With a long list of open questions...

#### Initial event & central engine

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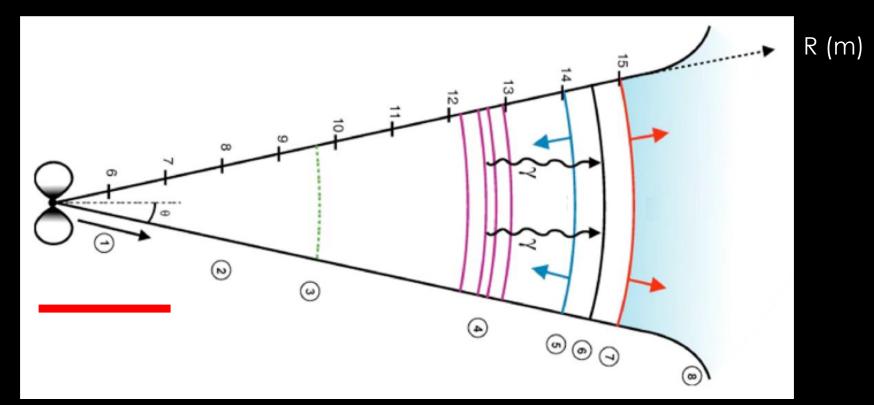


#### **Progenitors:**

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   Some kilonova associations one GW/GRB association (170817)

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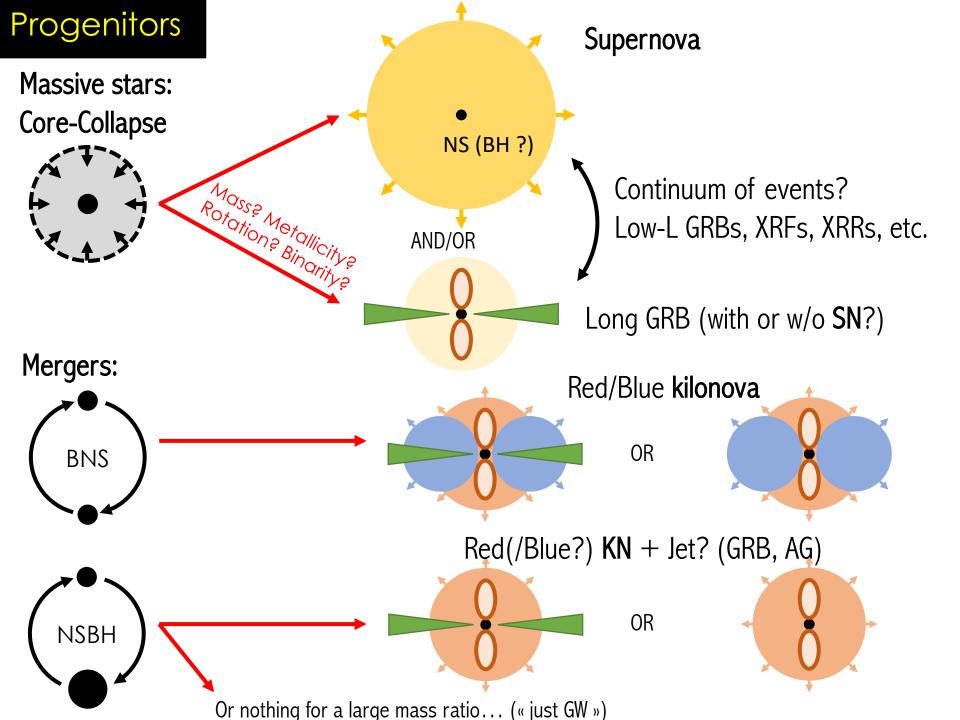
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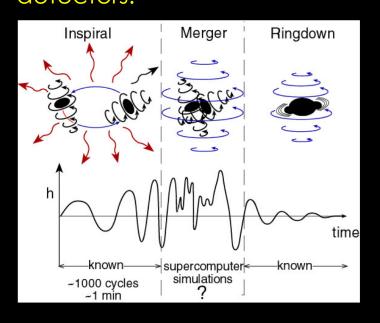
Other observational evidences: see Susanna Vergani's lecture tomorrow.



#### Central engine: a long list of difficult questions

#### No direct information:

- The central region is very opaque: no electromagnetic signal
- Gravitational waves:
   Short GRBs: the post-merger GW signal contains a direct information on the nature of the final central object but cannot be detected with current detectors.



Long GRBs: GW signal of a core-collapse can be detected only at short distance (Milky Way+satellites).

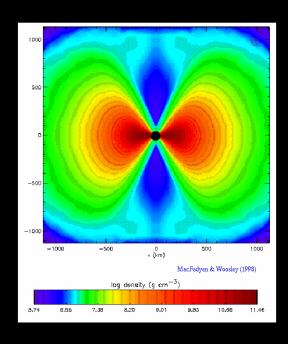
GW signal & diagnostics: see Irina Dvorkin & Marica Branchesi's Lectures.

Neutrinos?

Collapse: MeV neutrinos, cannot be detected at extragalactic distance HE neutrinos: rather expected in the next phase (early jet propagation)

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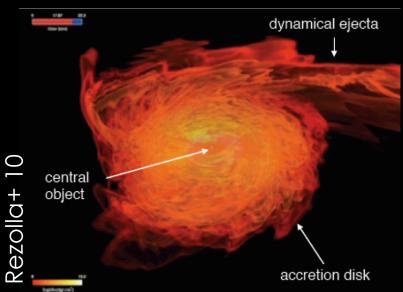
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Ejection = Blandford-Znajek (energy reservoir: rotational energy of the BH) Lifetime = lifetime of the torus

Pioneering work by Woosley & McFadyen, still a very active topic of research.

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The most standard scenario in the merger model: again BH + torus, but:

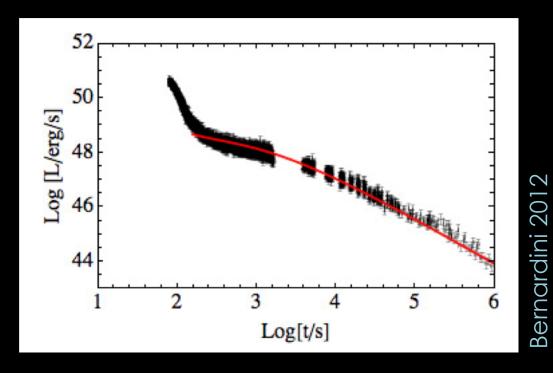
- BH mass is smaller (BH spin is higher?)
- torus mass is much smaller: lifetime is much shorter
- fallback accretion is expected (tidal arms)
- depending on the NS equation of state: an intermediate hypermassive NS stage is possible (lifetime ?): see discussion later on the GW-GRB delay in 170817

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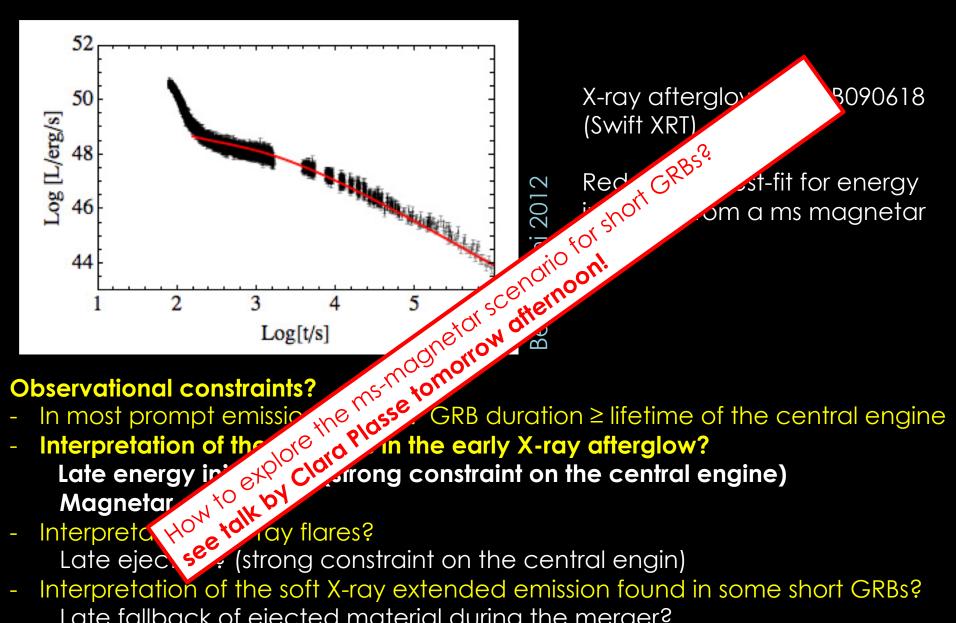


X-ray afterglow of GRB090618 (Swift XRT)

Red curve: best-fit for energy injection from a ms magnetar

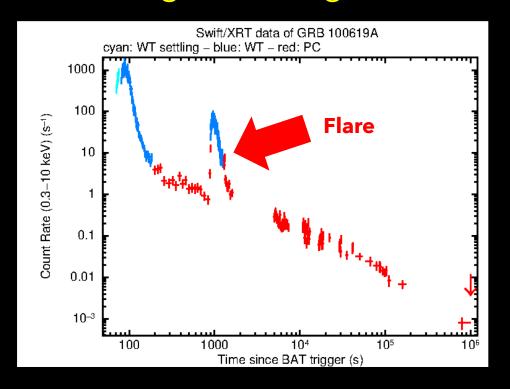
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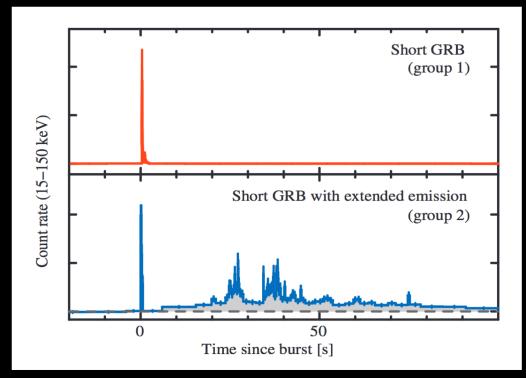
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Swift lightcurves of short GRBs

~15-20% of Swift short GRBs show a soft tail

**Troja** 2013

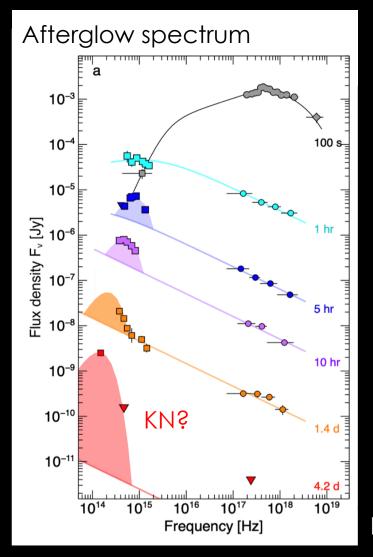
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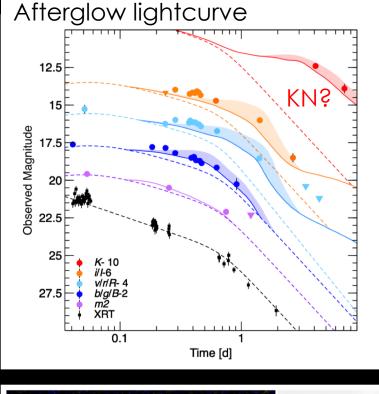
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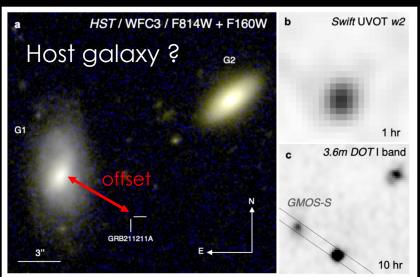
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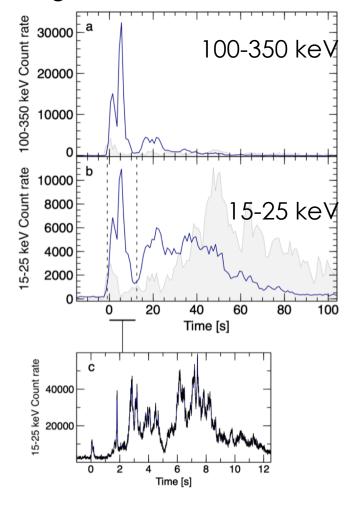
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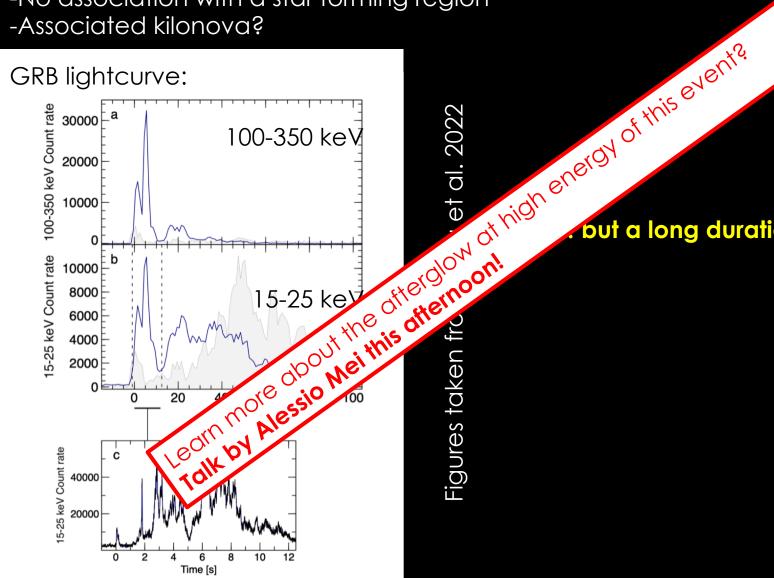
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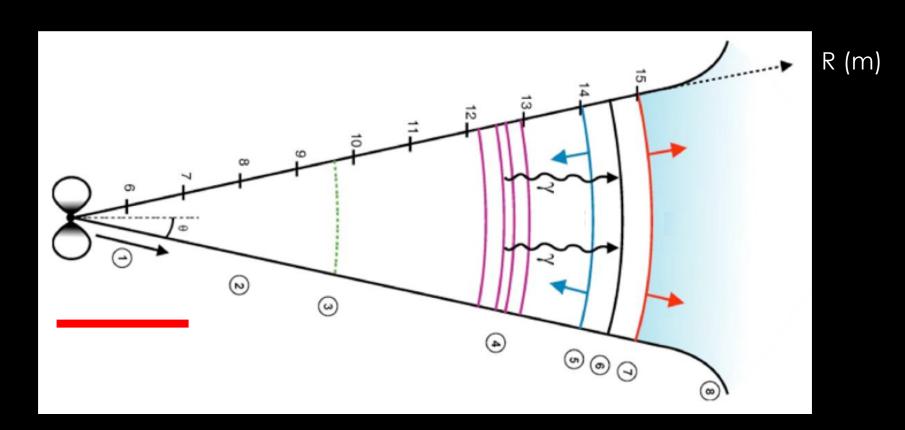


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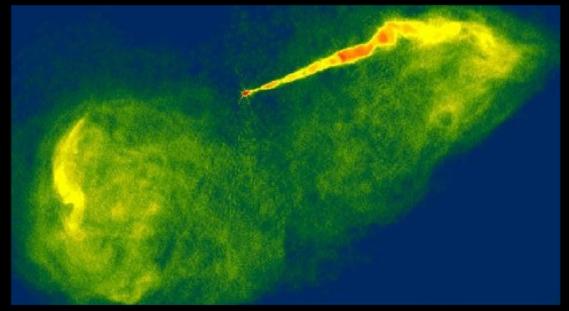
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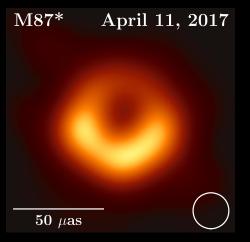
# « Relativistic flying pancakes » (Piran)

As the ejection is short-lived, most of the energy is contained in a thin layer (width << radius). This is significantly different from AGN jets.

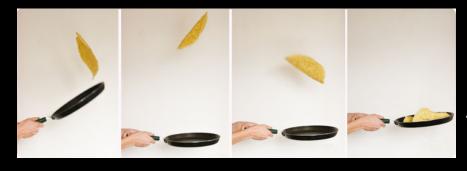


Relativistic jet in M87 (VLA)

Central engine: accreting SMBH



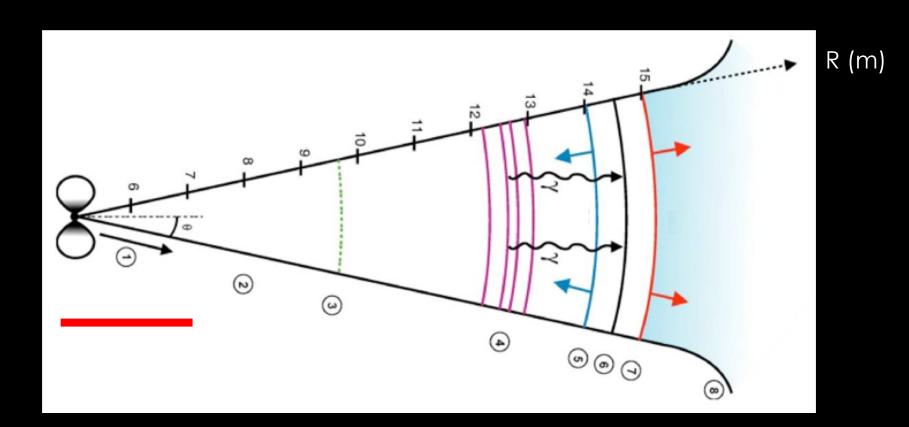
EHT image of M87\*



A non-relativistic, gravitationally bound, flying pancake.

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#### Relativistic ejection:

- Mechanism?
- Properties of the ejecta: Lorentz factor, geometry, magnetization, etc.

### Relativistic ejection: again a long list of difficult questions

#### No direct information?

- The jet is opaque to its own radiation during the acceleration/early propagation phase.
- Early high-energy neutrinos may be produced during the early propagation

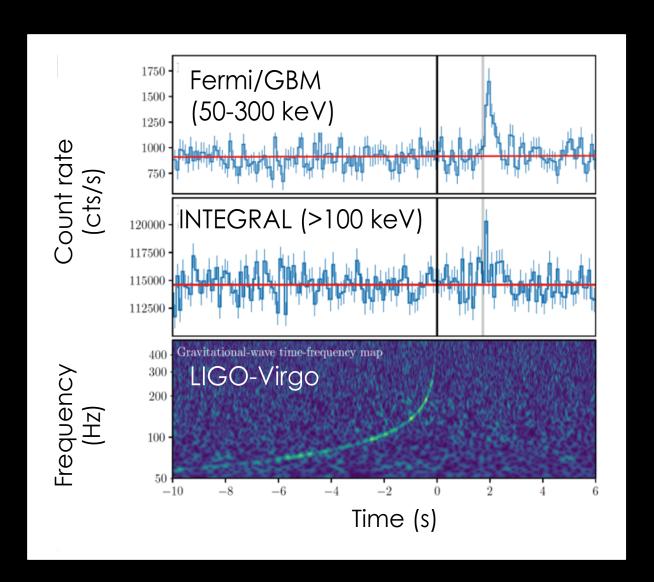
#### Early propagation: the jet has to propagate through

- Collapsar: the collapsing progenitor envelope
- Mergers: the expanding kilonova ejecta (especially if their is a polar ejection: cf. blue kilonova in 170817, see M. Branchesi's lecture)

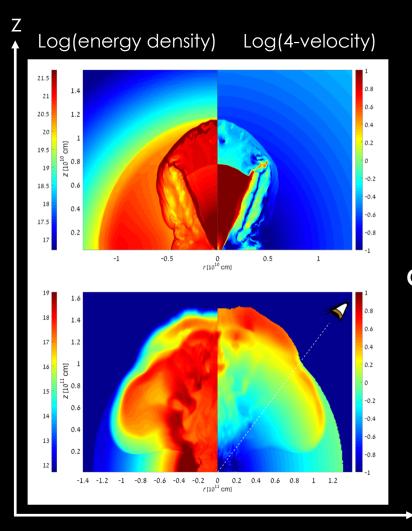
#### Consequences:

- Possibility of choked jets: fraction of successful jets in collapsars/mergers?
- GRB duration (~width of the ejecta/c)
   ~lifetime of the relativistic ejection time needed for the early ejecta to drill a way through the stellar envelope/kilonova ejecta
   (Bromberg et al. 2012)
- Successful jets: shock-breakout emission
  - Some Weak/low-luminosity bursts?
  - The case of GRB170817A

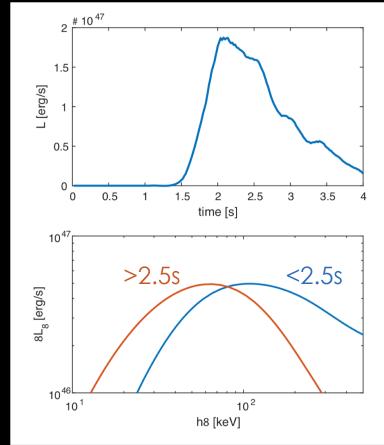
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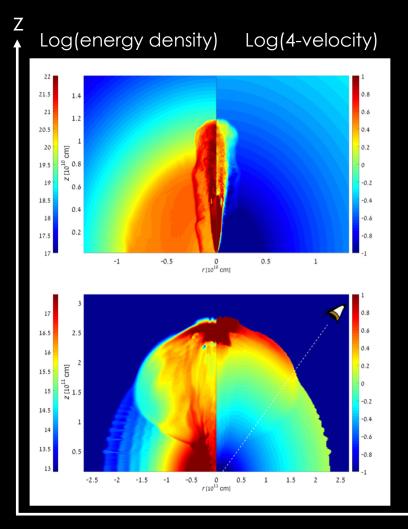


Shock breakout: lightcurve & spectrum @ 0.7 rad



**Choked jet** 

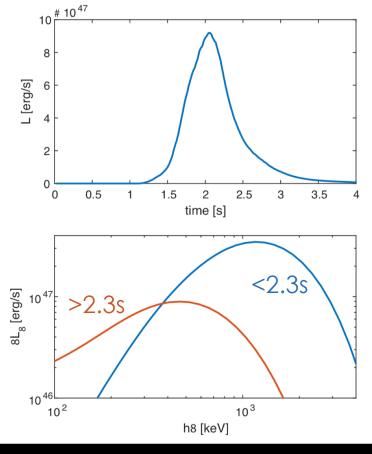
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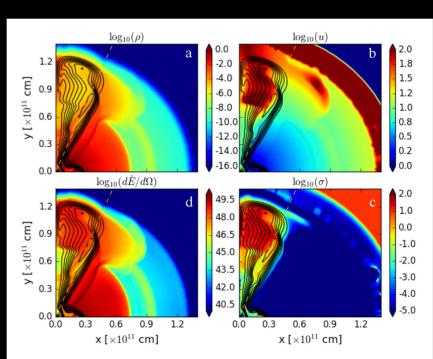
Relativistic
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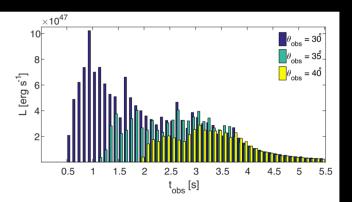
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Gottlieb et al. 2017, see also Bromberg et al. 2017 (magnetized jet)

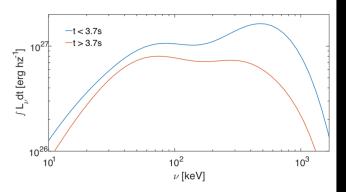


**Figure 3.** The properties of the jet at breakout; panels show (clockwise) the density (a), the 4-velocity (b), the magnetization (c), and total energy flux per solid angle (d). The black contours depict the poloidal field lines that thread the jet and the inner cocoon. The yellow dashed line marks an opening angle of  $20^{\circ}$ , which roughly demarcates the boundary between the jet and the cocoon.





**Figure 5.** The bolometric luminosity of the shock breakout seeing by viewers at various angles from the jet axis.



**Figure 6.** The spectrum of the breakout emission, seen by an observer at  $40^{\circ}$  from the jet axis.