SEARCH FOR ORPHAN GAMMA-RAY BURST AFTERGLOWS IN RUBIN LSST DATA WITH FINK

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BRIEF OVERVIEW

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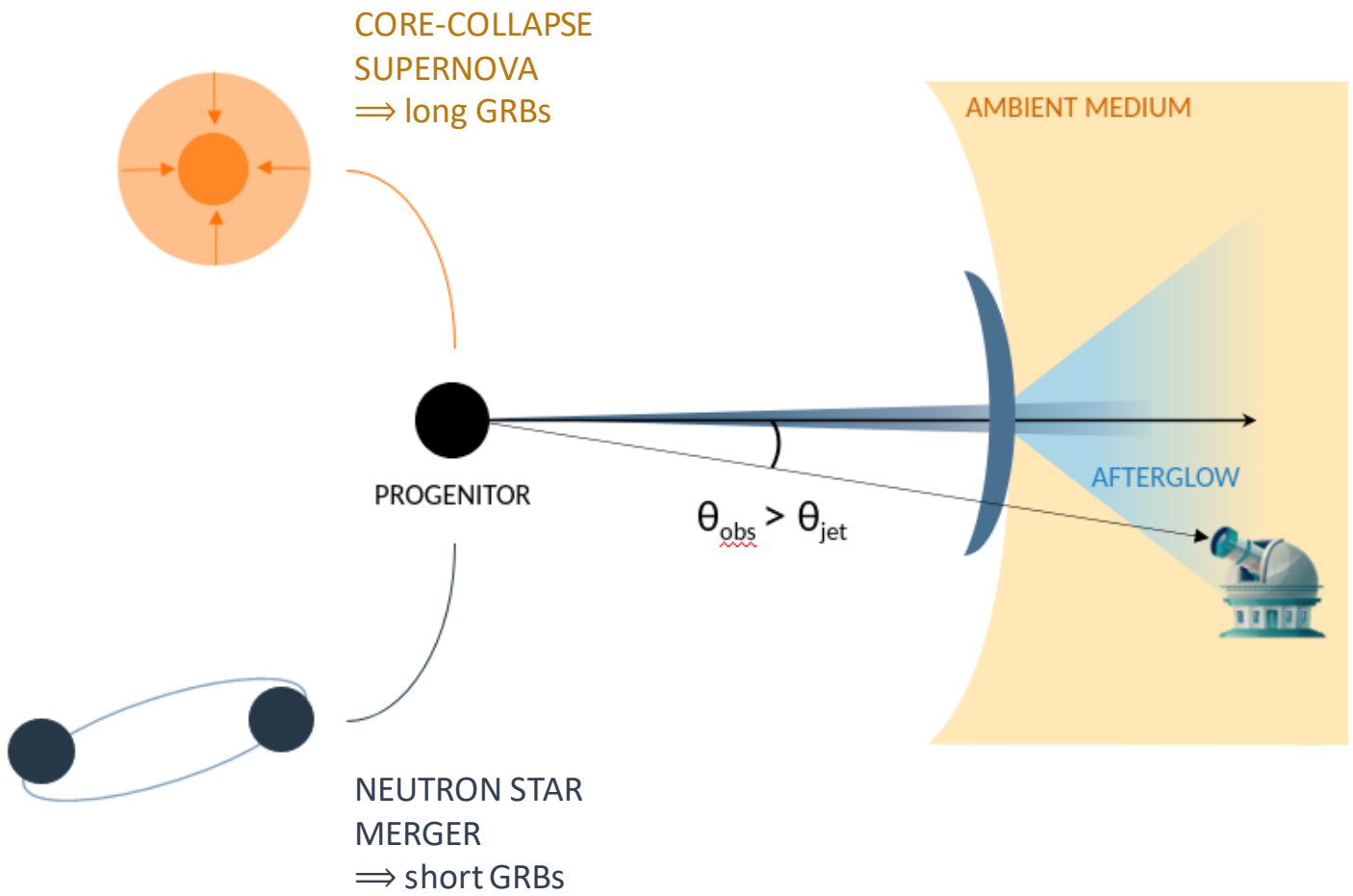
THE ORPHAN AFTERGLOW: A GRB VIEWED OFF-AXIS



Afterglow = long-lasting and fading emission following the gamma prompt emission

Orphan afterglow = afterglow observed off-axis (without gamma-ray emission)
⟹ **No orphan afterglow detected so far!**
(Some candidates but none confirmed)

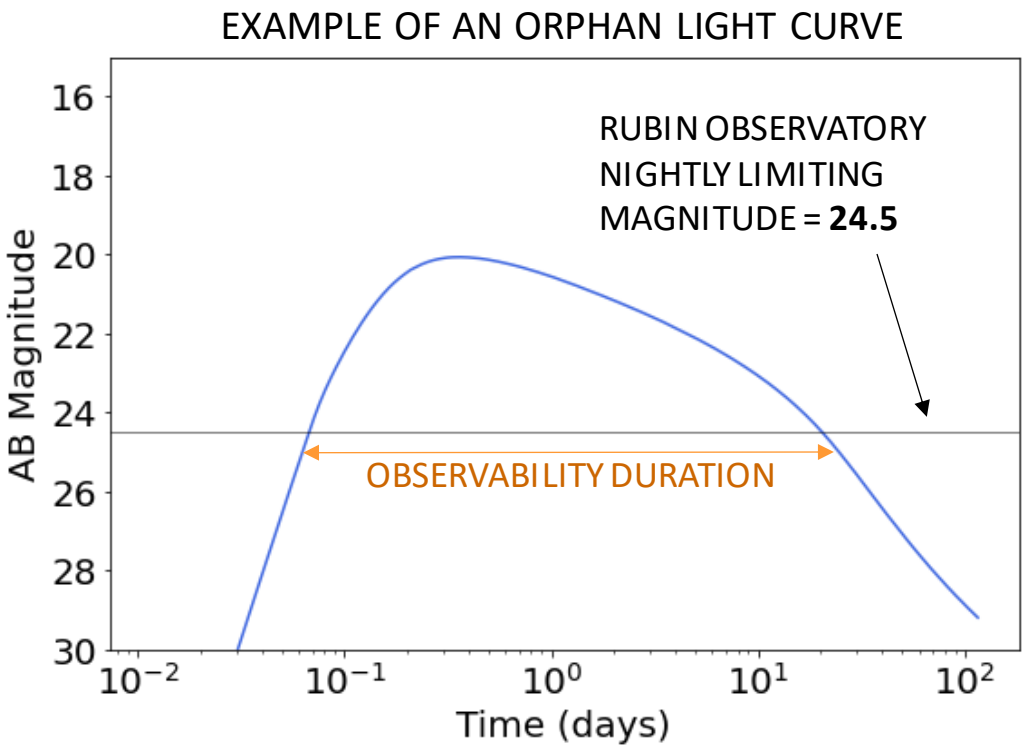
Why study orphan afterglows?

- More information on the GRB physics and their progenitors
- Multi-messenger analysis with gravitational waves

MODEL OF GRB AFTERGLOW EMISSION

`afterglowpy` package
https://github.com/geoffryan/afterglowpy

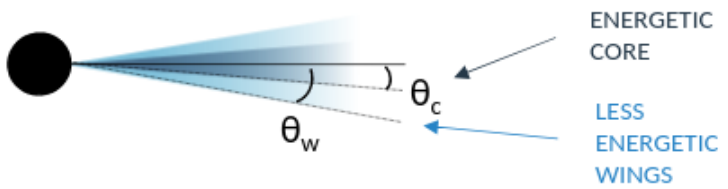
Identification of orphans based on their light curve



Forward shock model
+ electron synchrotron model
(Van Eerten et al. 2010)

Studied parameters:

- Energy E_0
- Circumburst medium density n_0
- Redshift z
- Observer angle θ_{obs}
- Jet type (uniform or **structured**)
- Core angle θ_c
- Truncature angle θ_w

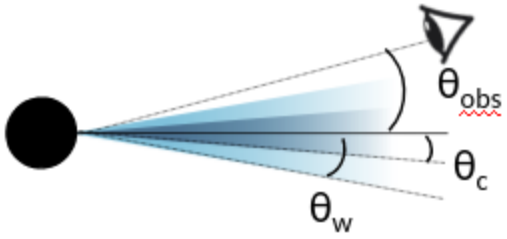


POPULATION OF SHORT GRBS (TEMPORARY)

Goal: To simulate somewhat realistic distributions for short GRBs

Studied parameters distributions:

- **Circumburst density n_0:** uniform distribution [1.0 ; 100] cm^{-3}
- **Observer angle $\cos(\theta_{obs})$:** uniform distribution [0 ; 1] (isotropic)



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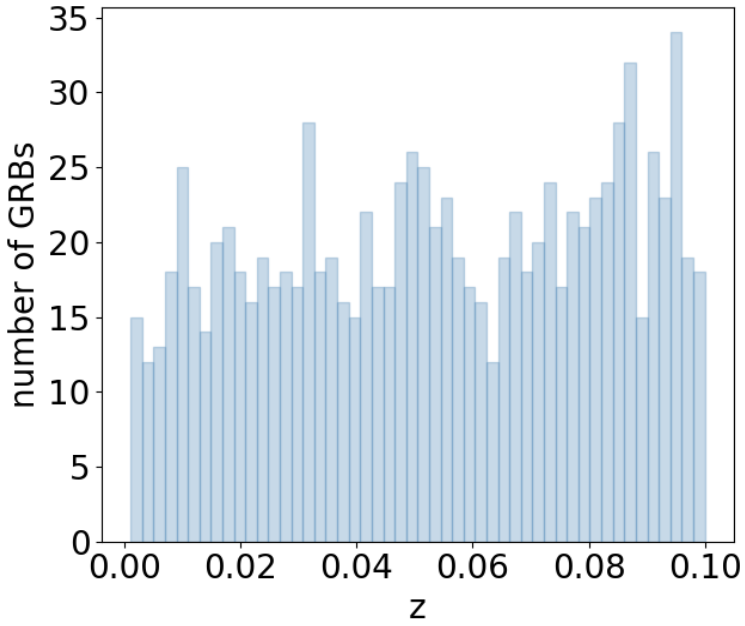

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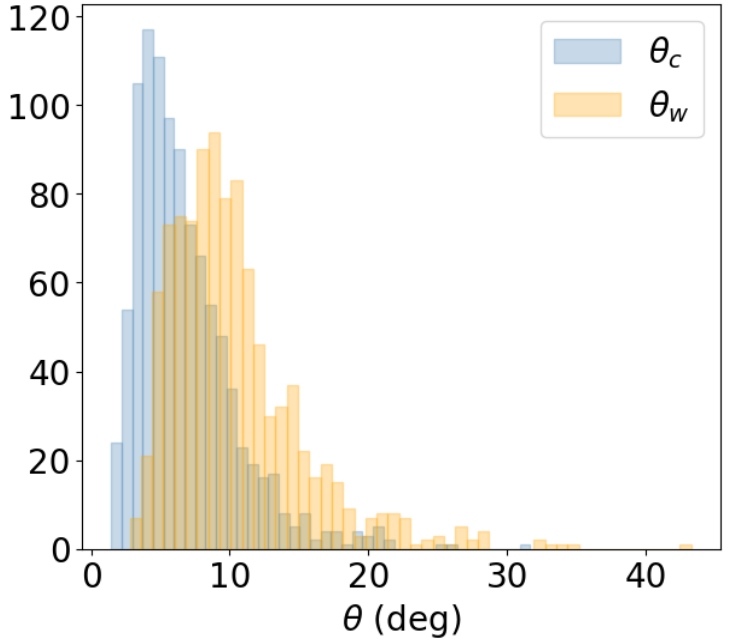

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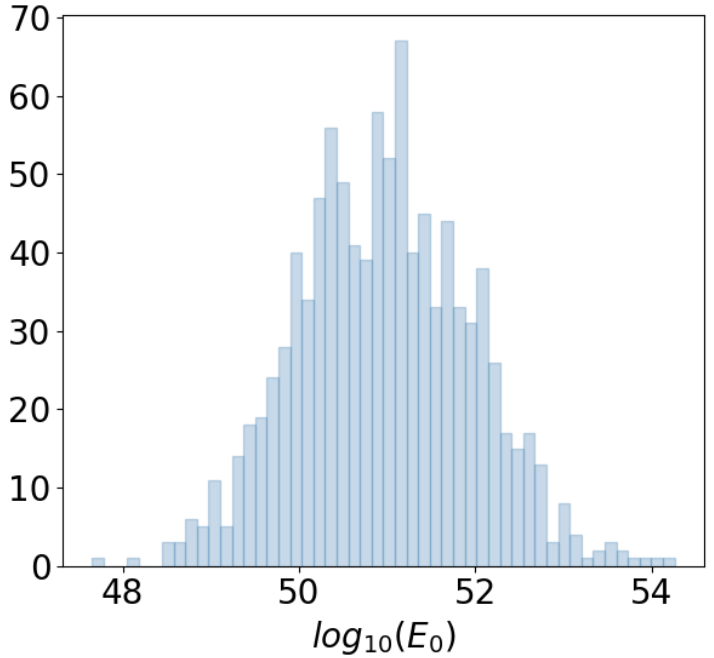

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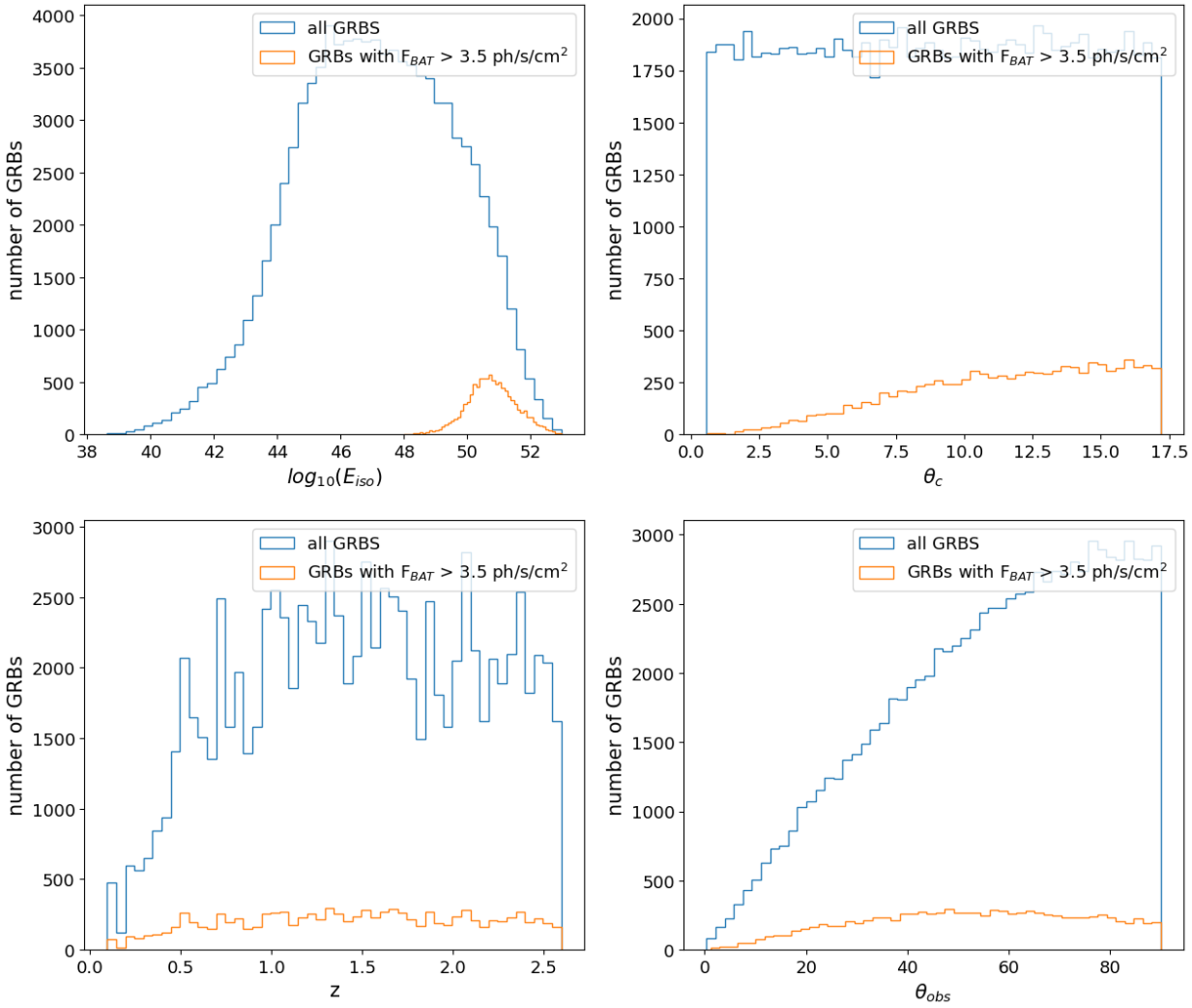

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SIMULATION OF AN OBSERVATION: METHOD

`rubin_sim` package ⟹ Realisation of the scheduler simulation for the 10 years of LSST (https://github.com/lsst/rubin_sim)

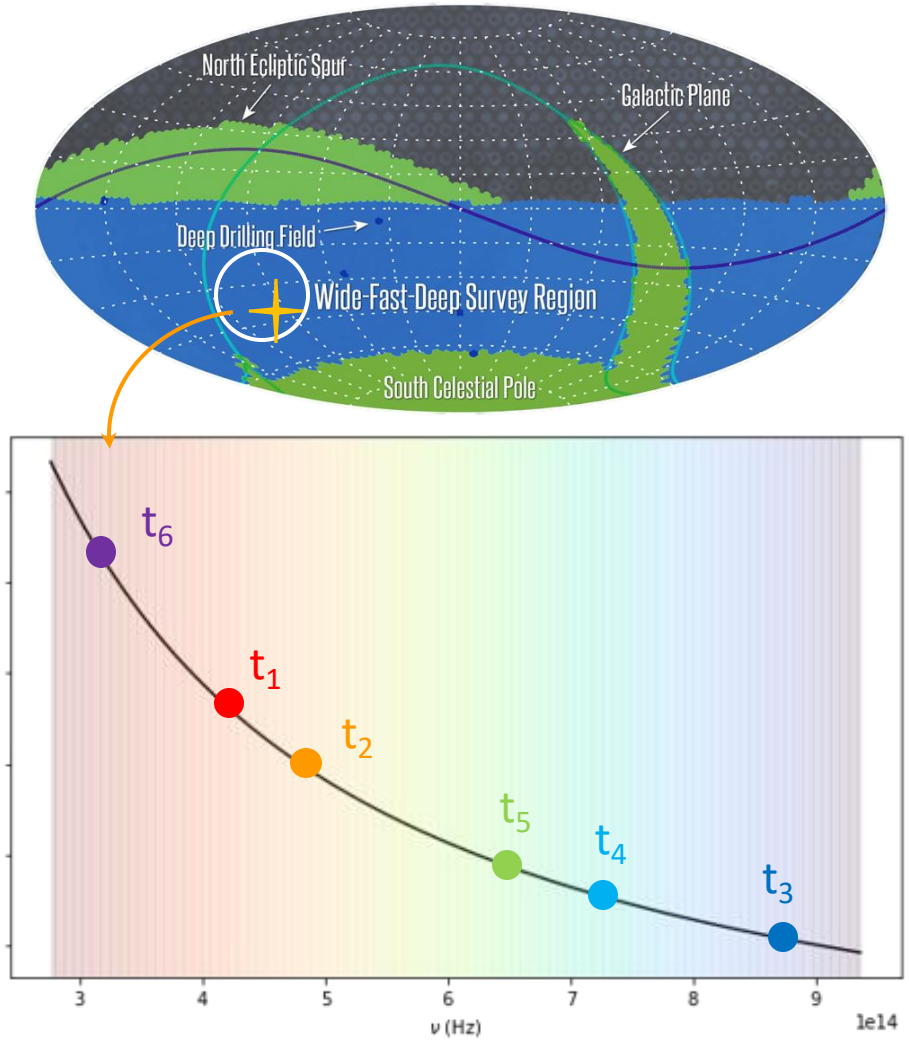
1- Take time and coordinates of a GRB

2- Keep only observations inside the Rubin/LSST field of view

3- Compute spectra at observation time bins in magnitude with **`afterglowpy`** (Ryan et al. 2020)

4- Keep only "real" observation for the right filter

5- Plot pseudo observed light curve



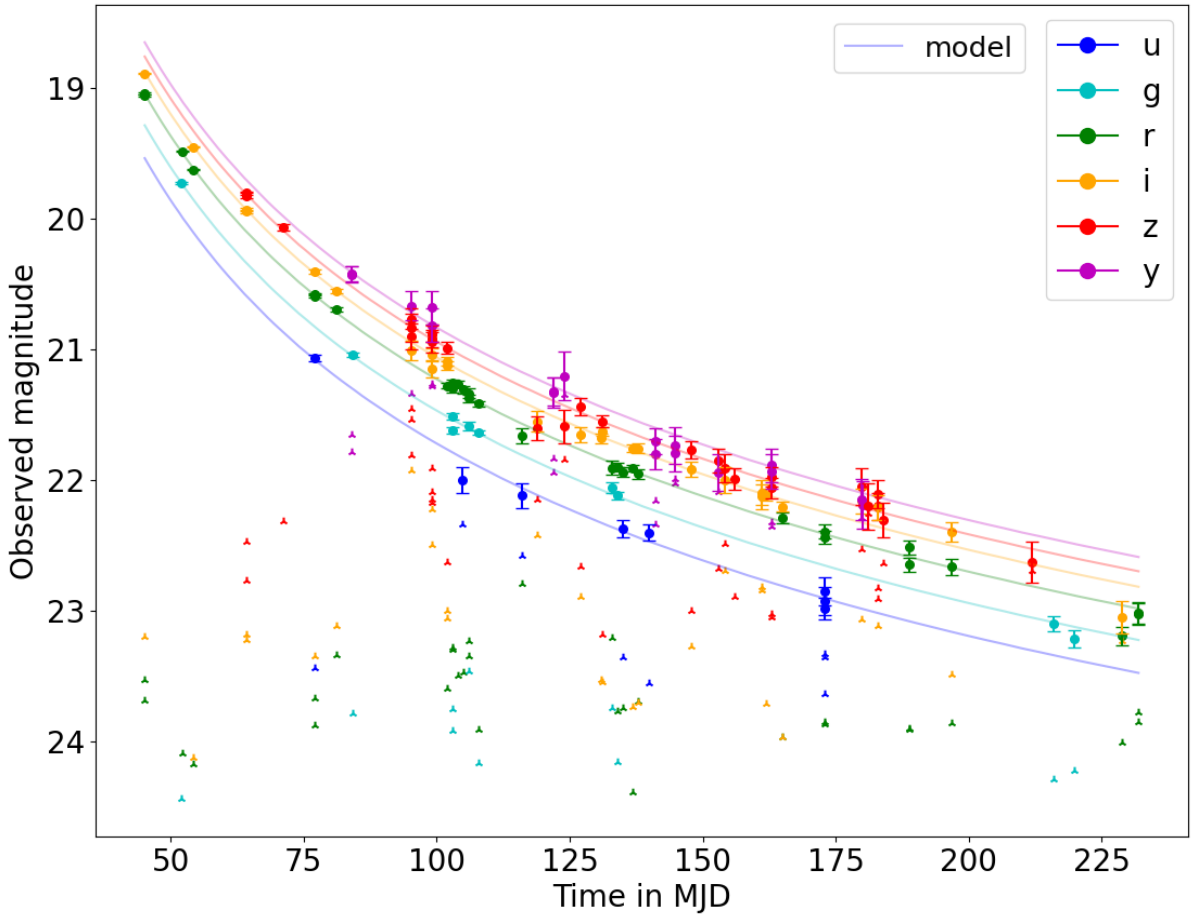
EXAMPLE OF A "PSEUDO-OBSERVATION"

GRB date: 12 March, 2030

GRB (RA, Dec) coordinates:
(19h00m55.04s, -53d23m42.38s)

Parameters:

- Power-Law jet
- $E_0 = 1.3 \times 10^{52}$ erg
- $\theta_{obs} = 21.2$ °
- $\theta_c = 2.9$°
- $\theta_w = 8.6$°
- $n_0 = 0.45$ cm^{-3}
- z = 0.001



⟹ Fraction of "pseudo-observable" orphans by the Rubin Observatory: a few %

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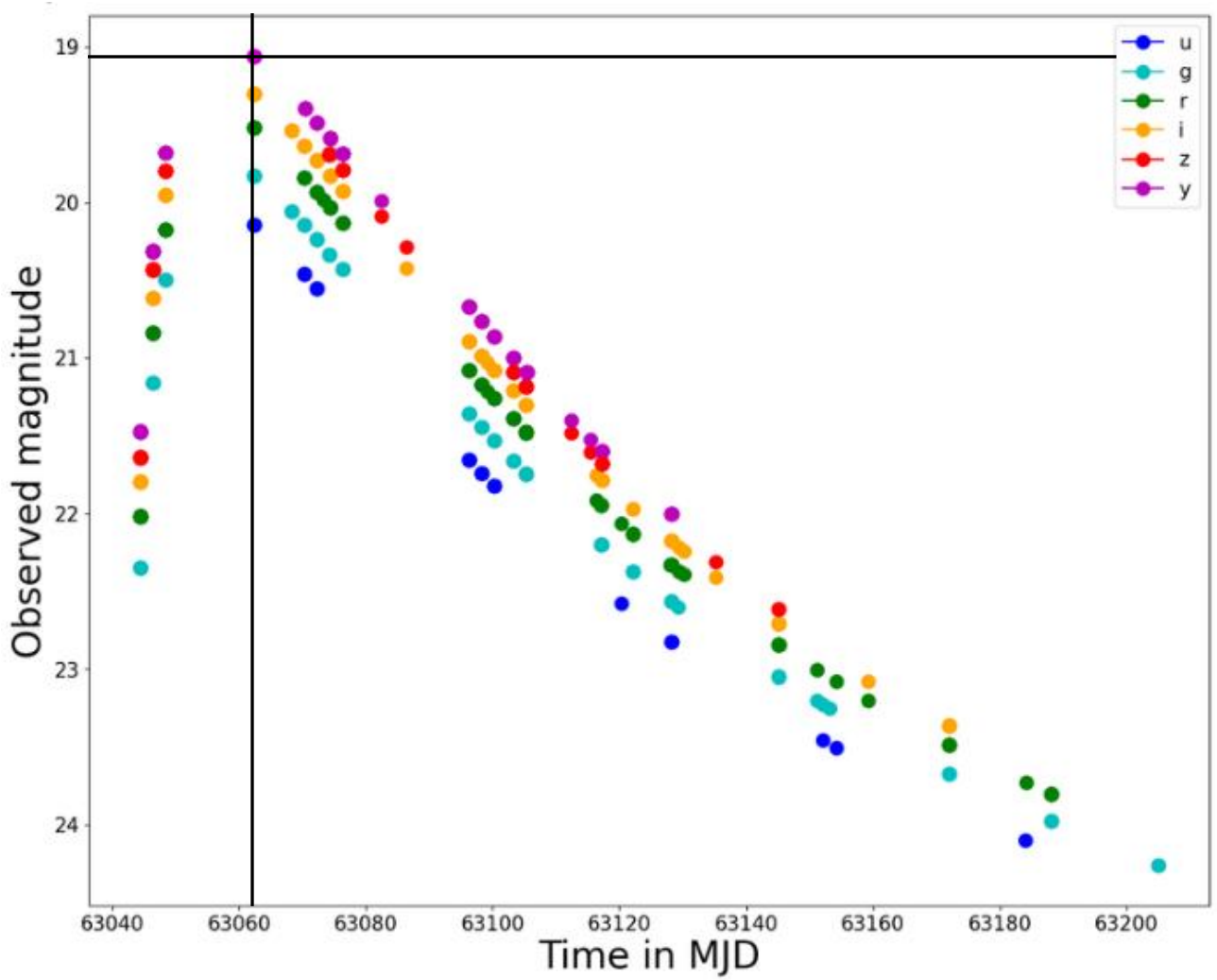

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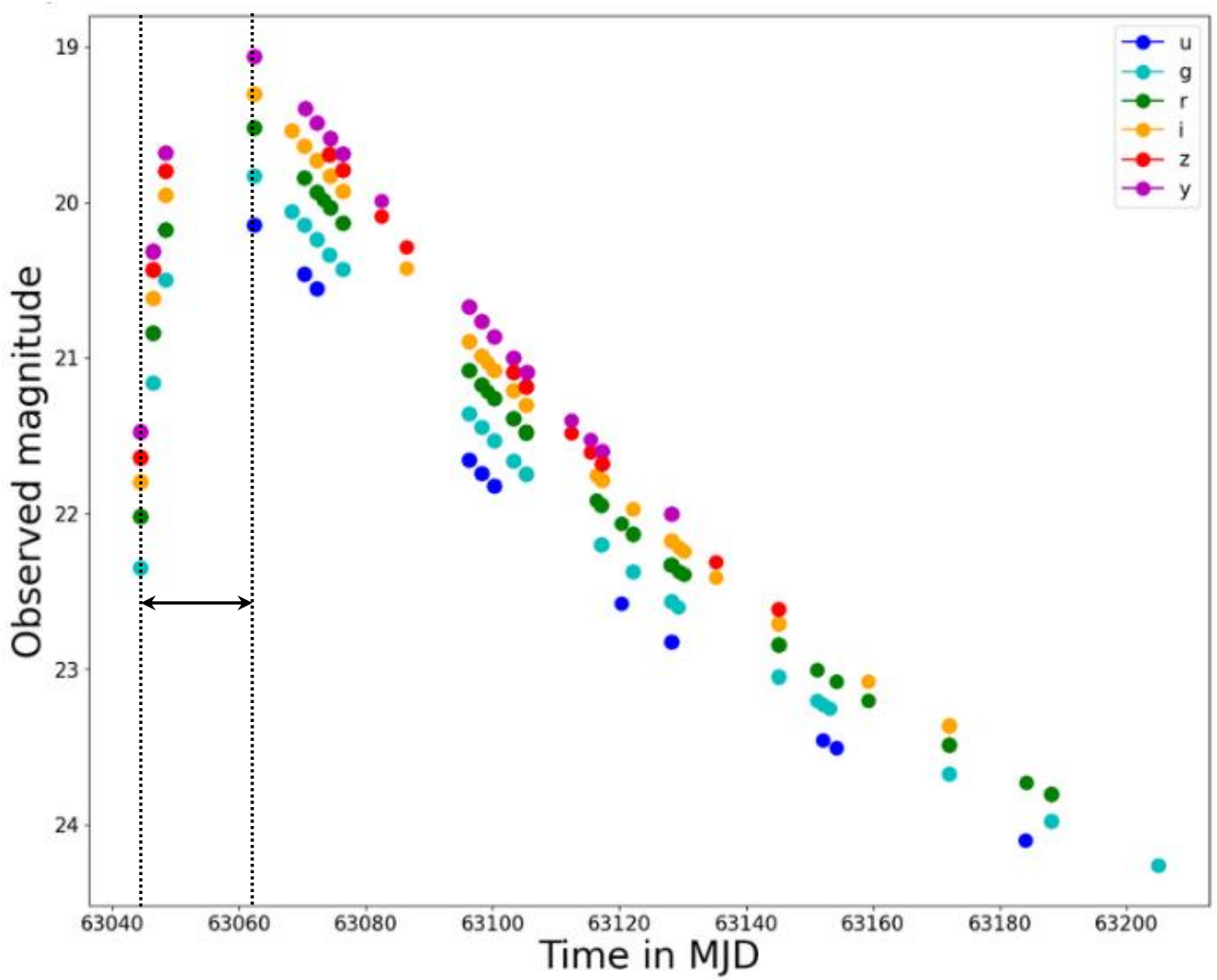

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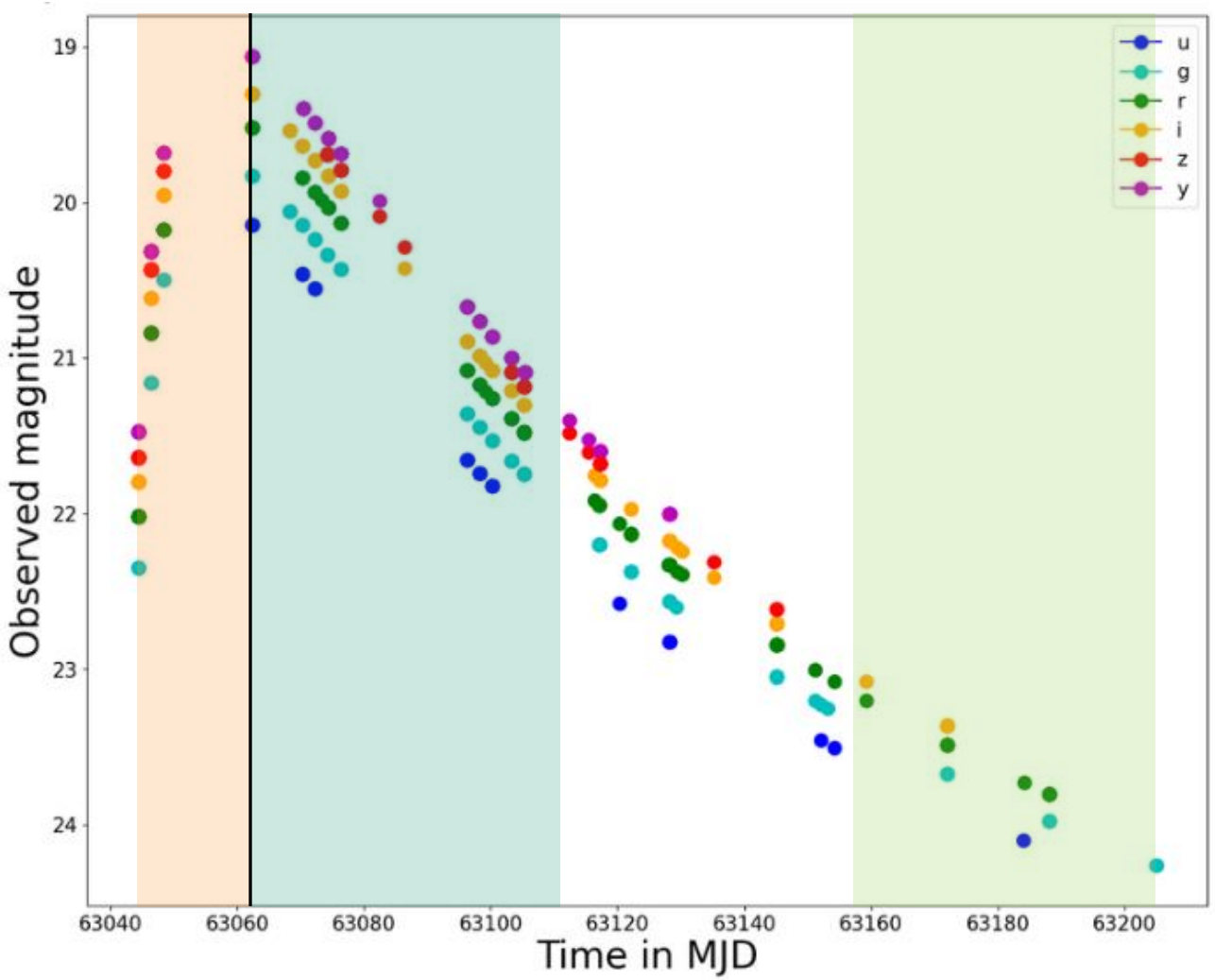

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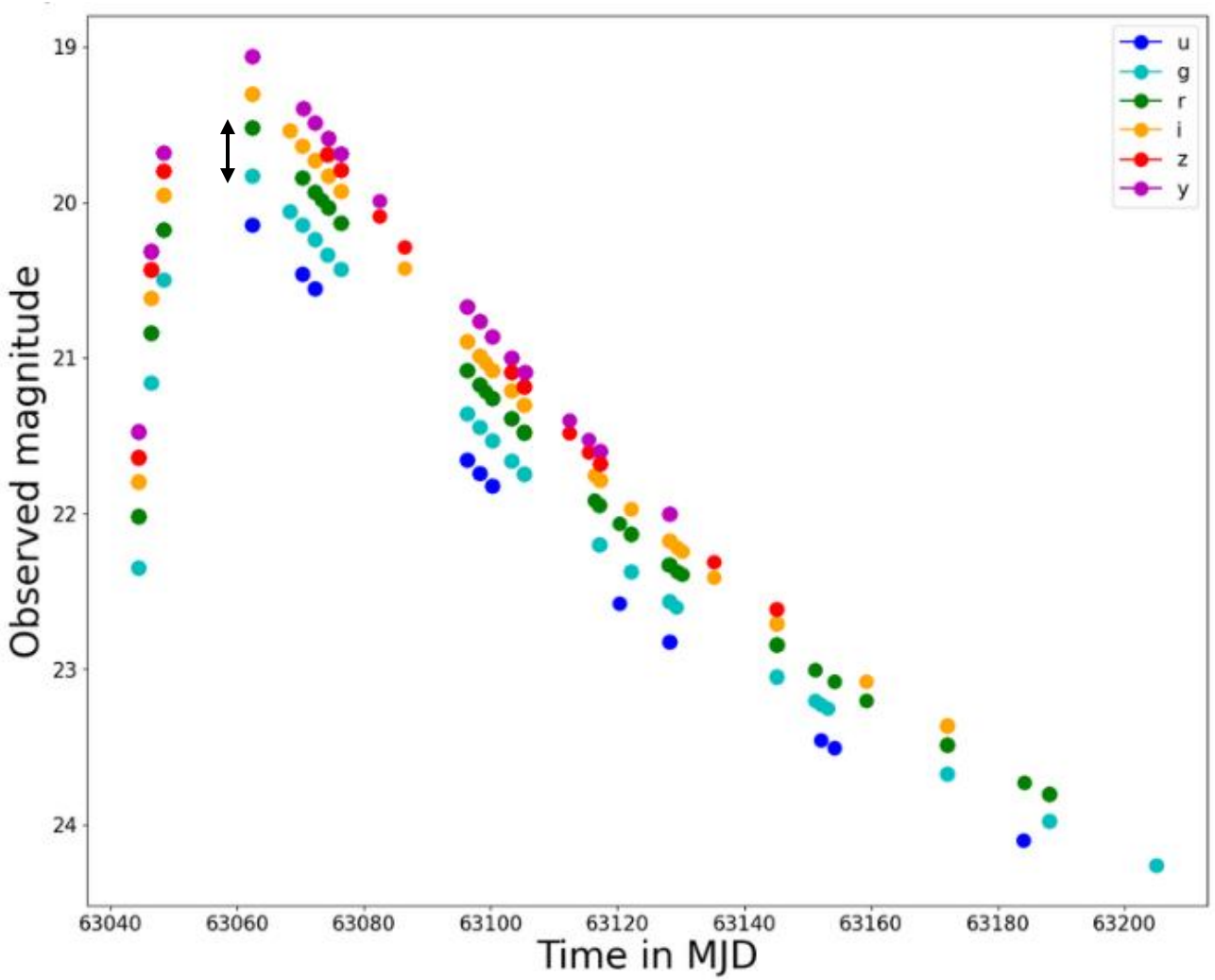

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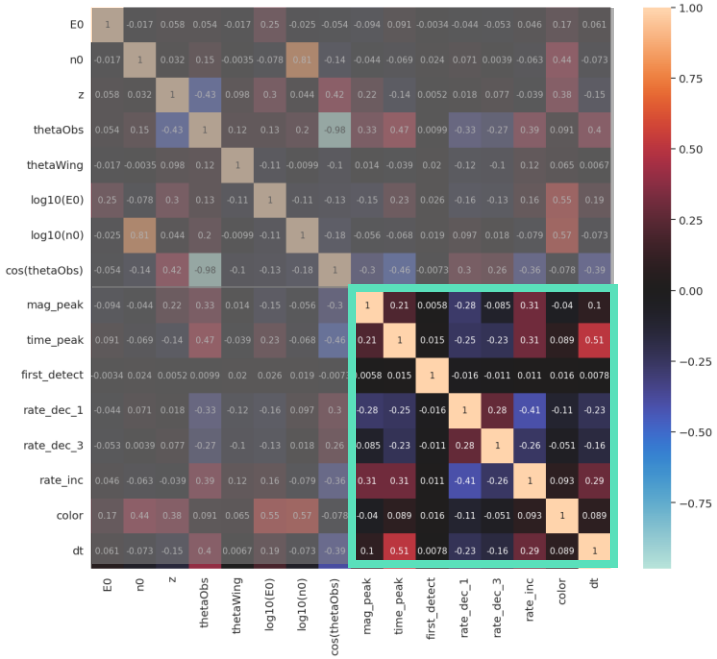
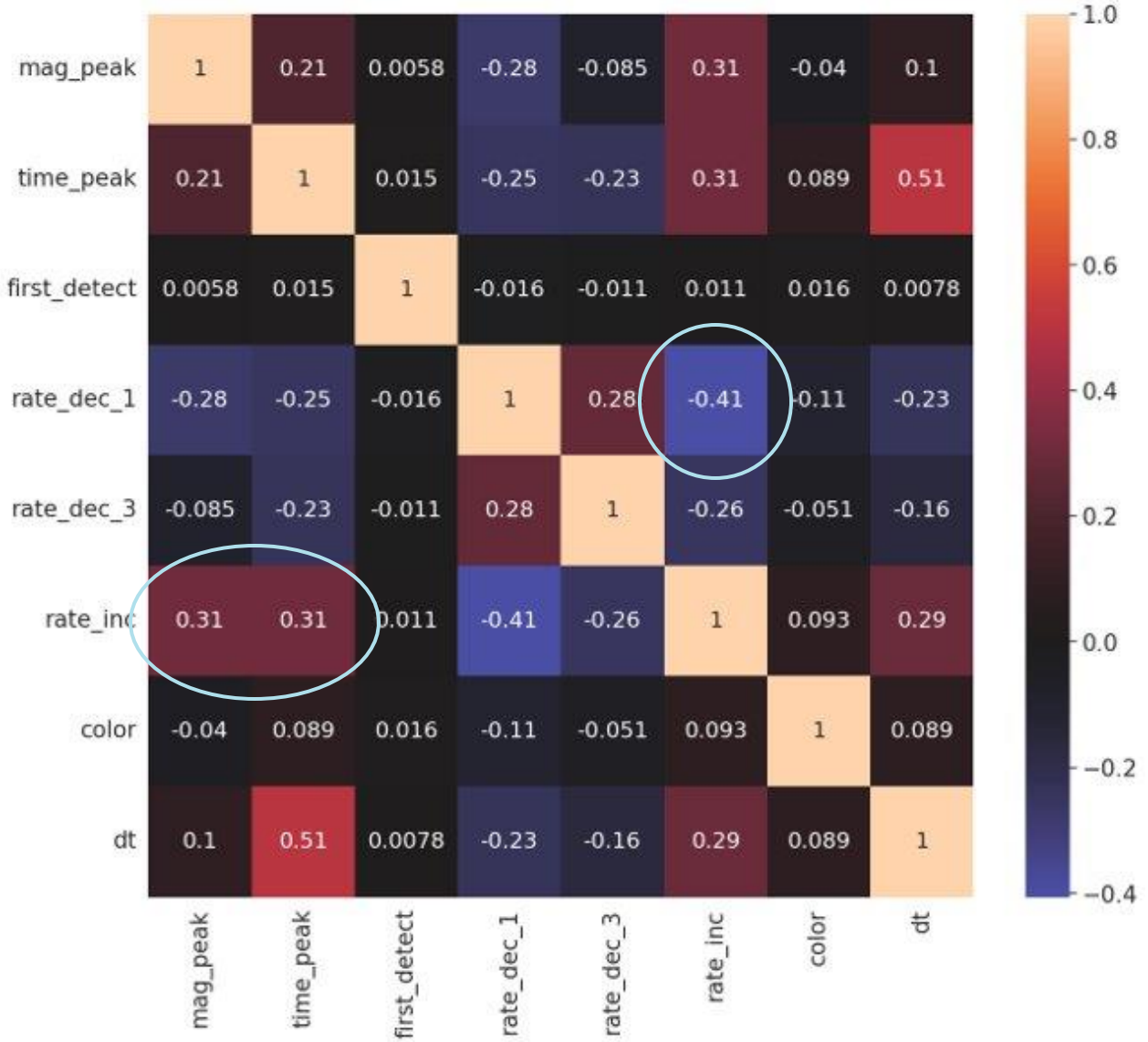
- **g-r color** (expected value for synchrotron emission ~ 0.3)

CORRELATIONS BETWEEN THE DEFINED FEATURES





⟹ Correlations between rates and magnitude

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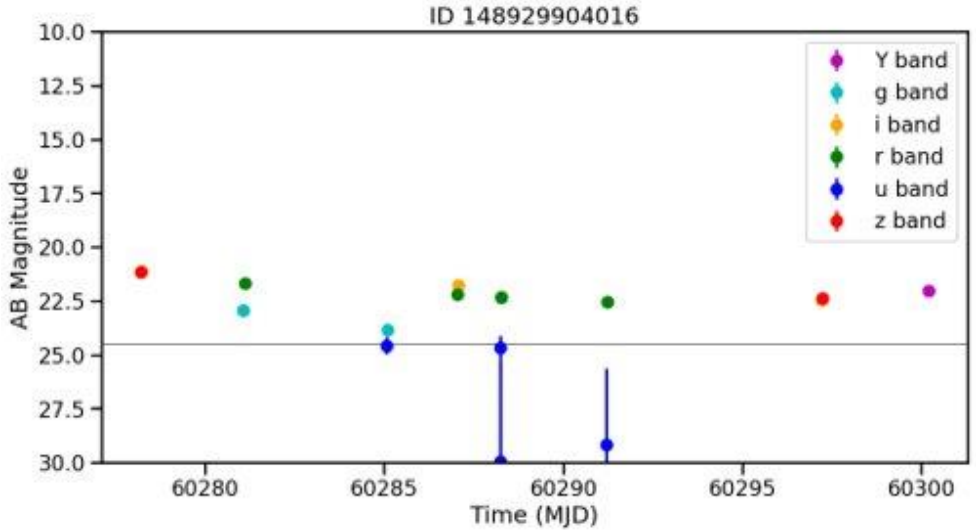

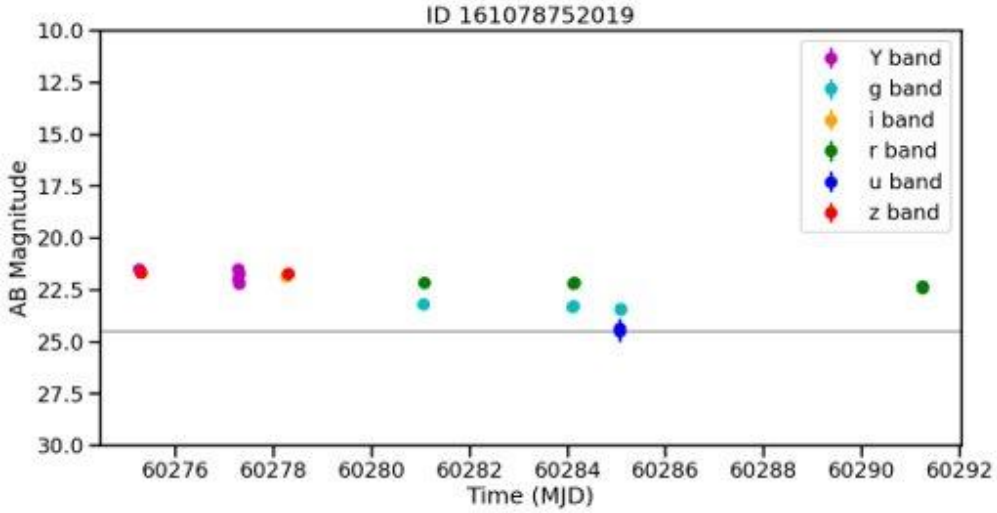

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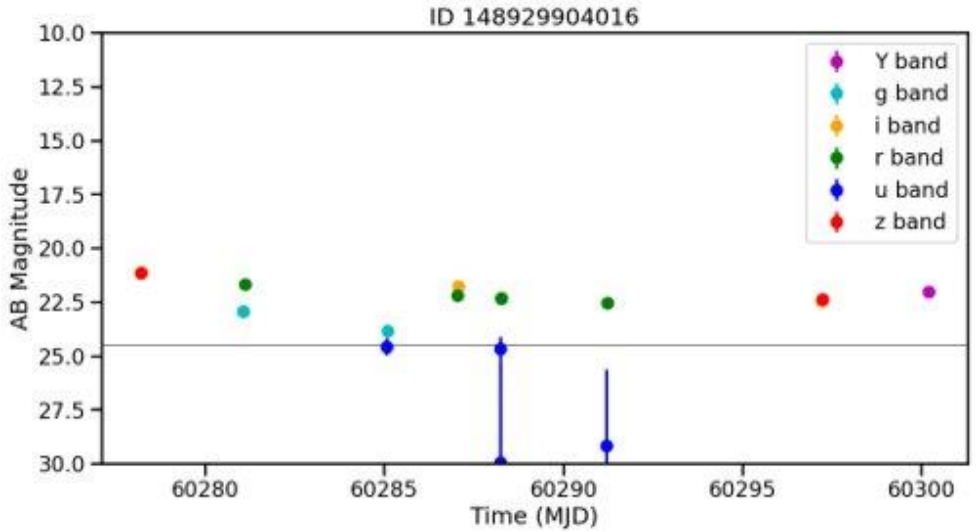
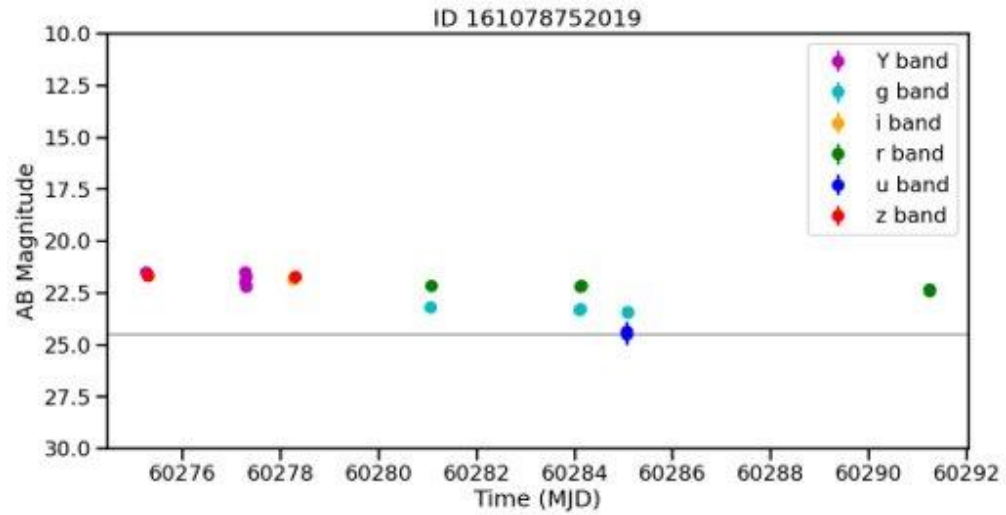
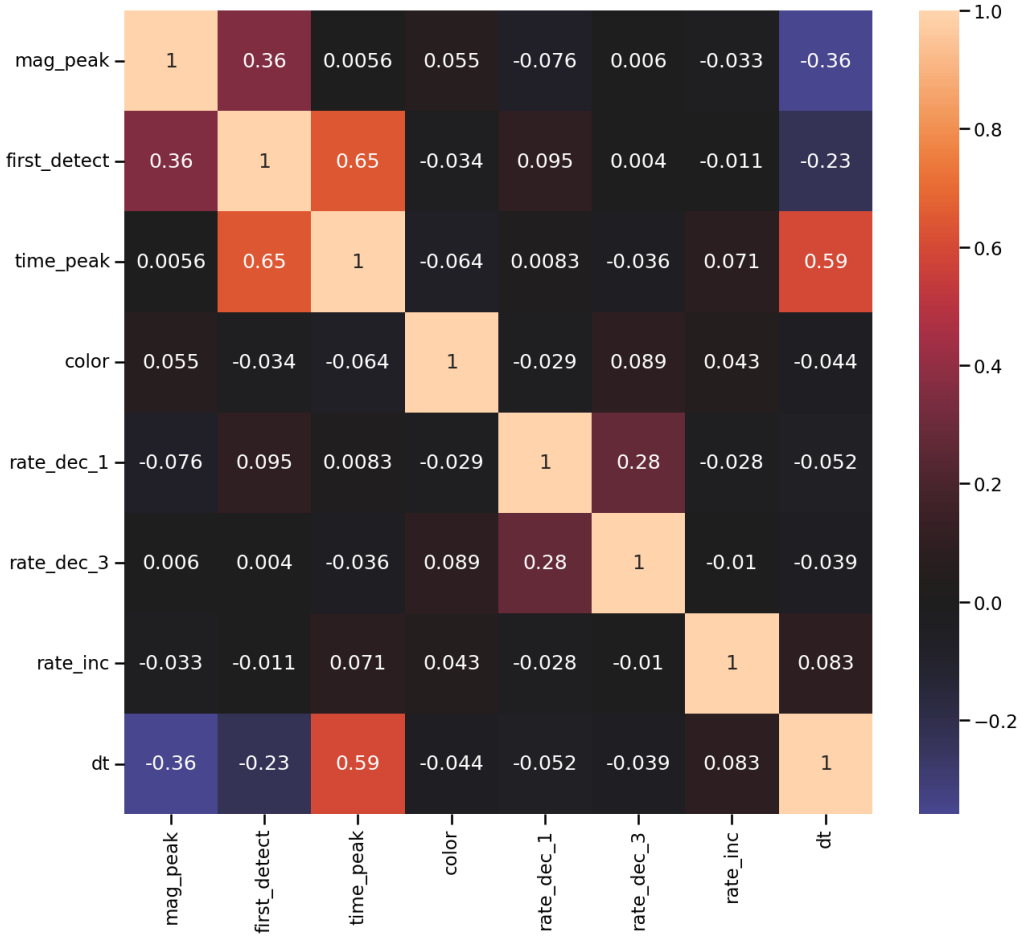




(1 month of ELAsTiCC data)



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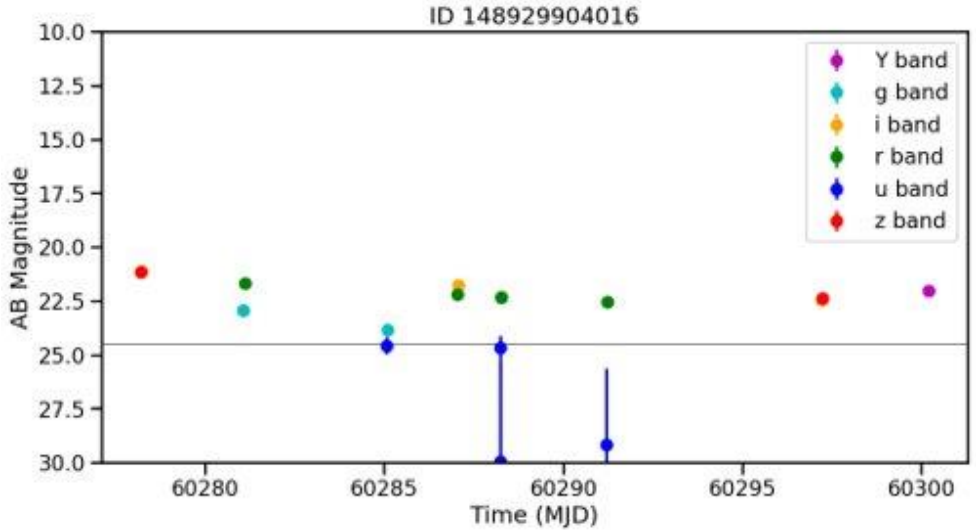
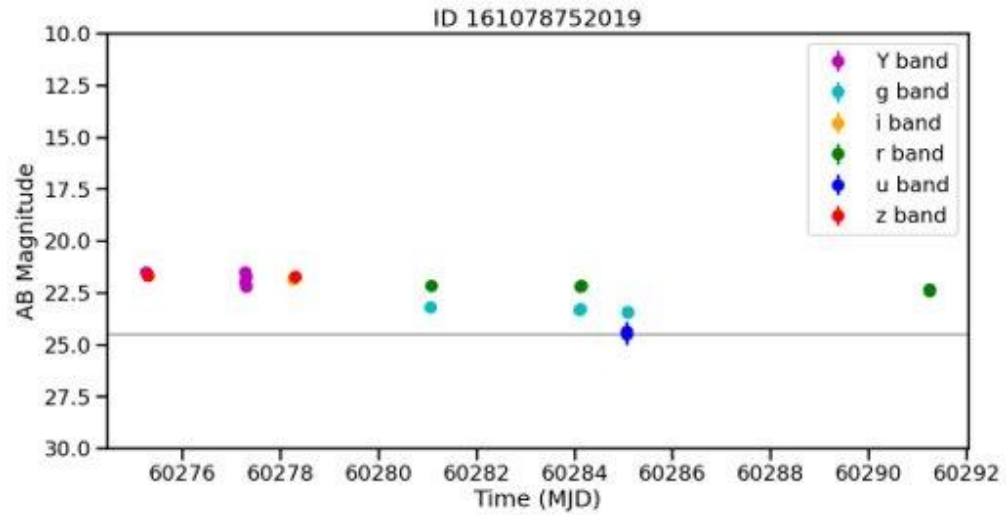
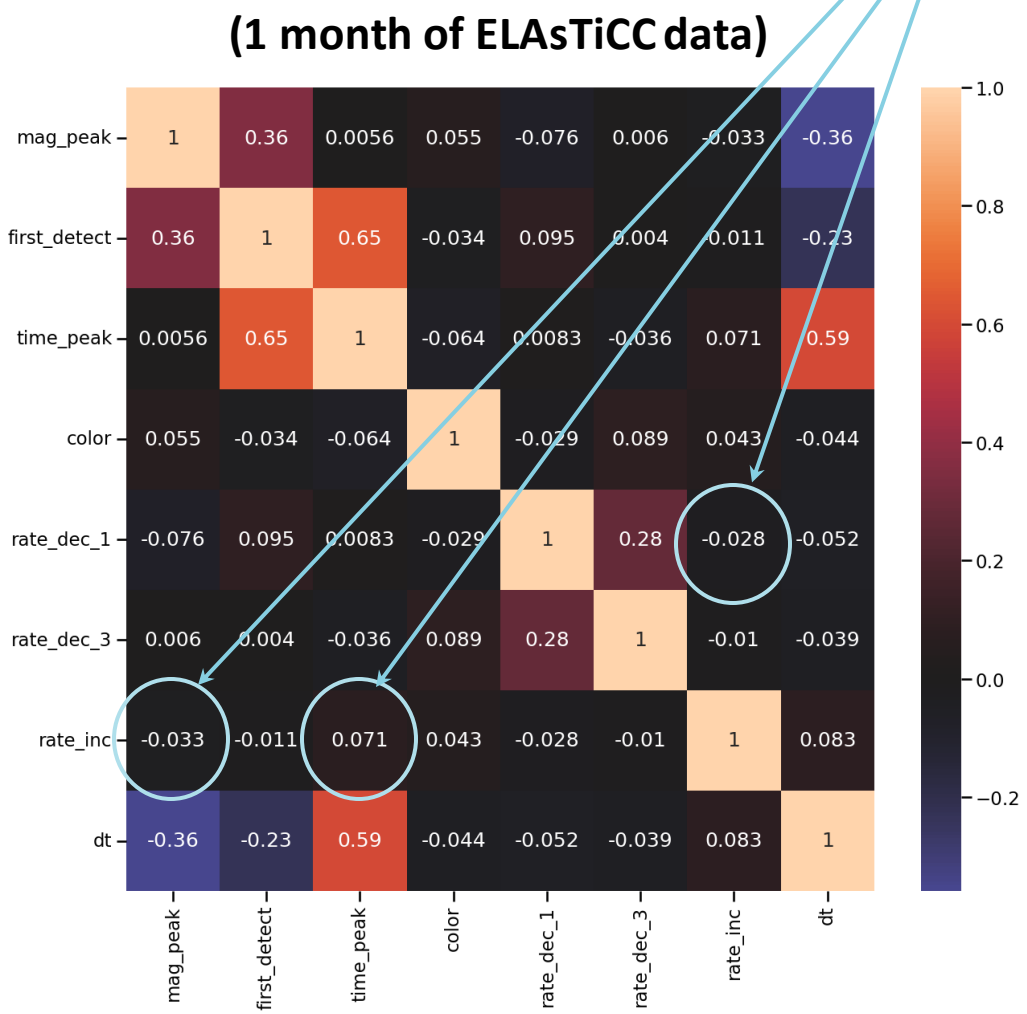




Different correlations than for orphans



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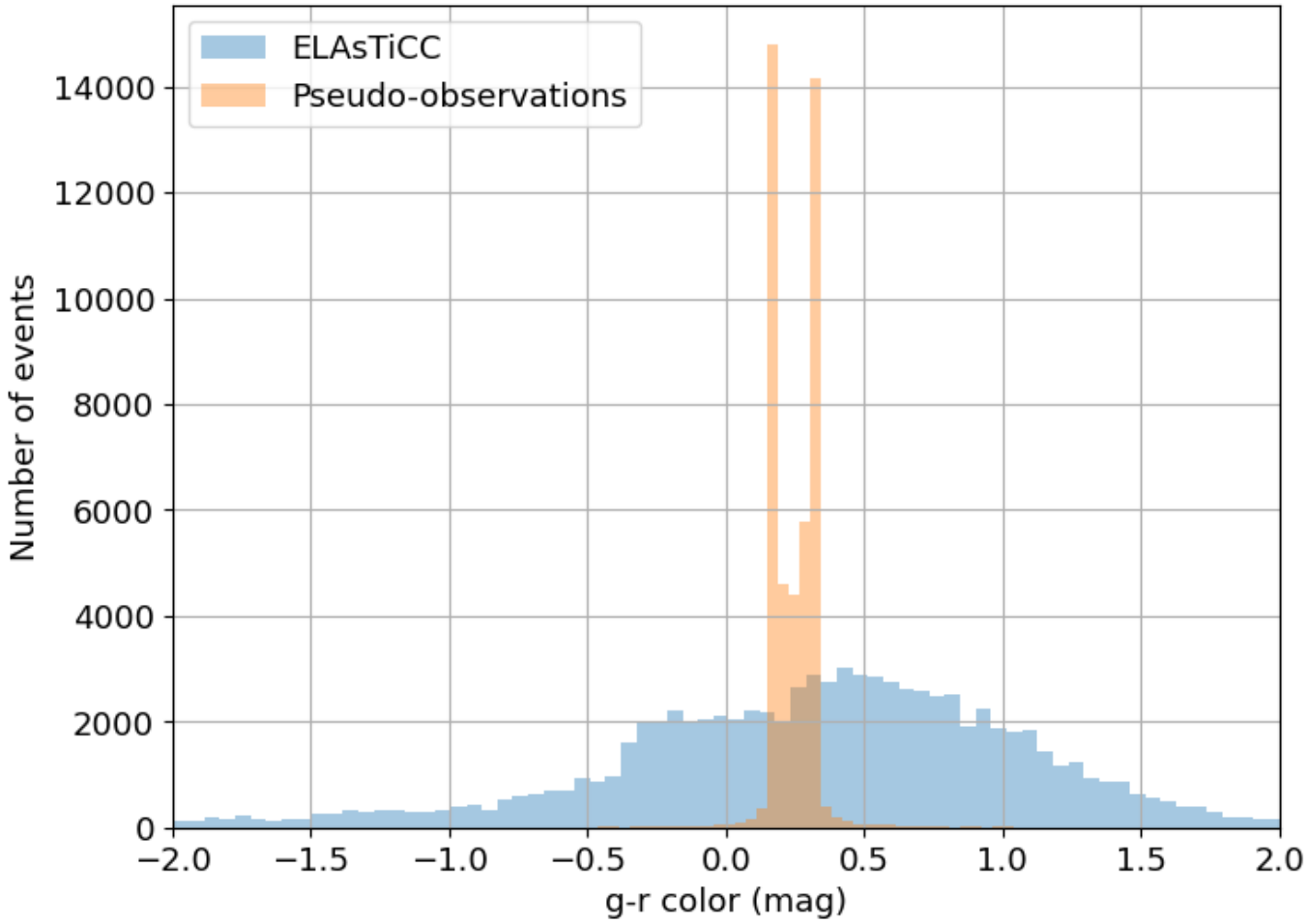

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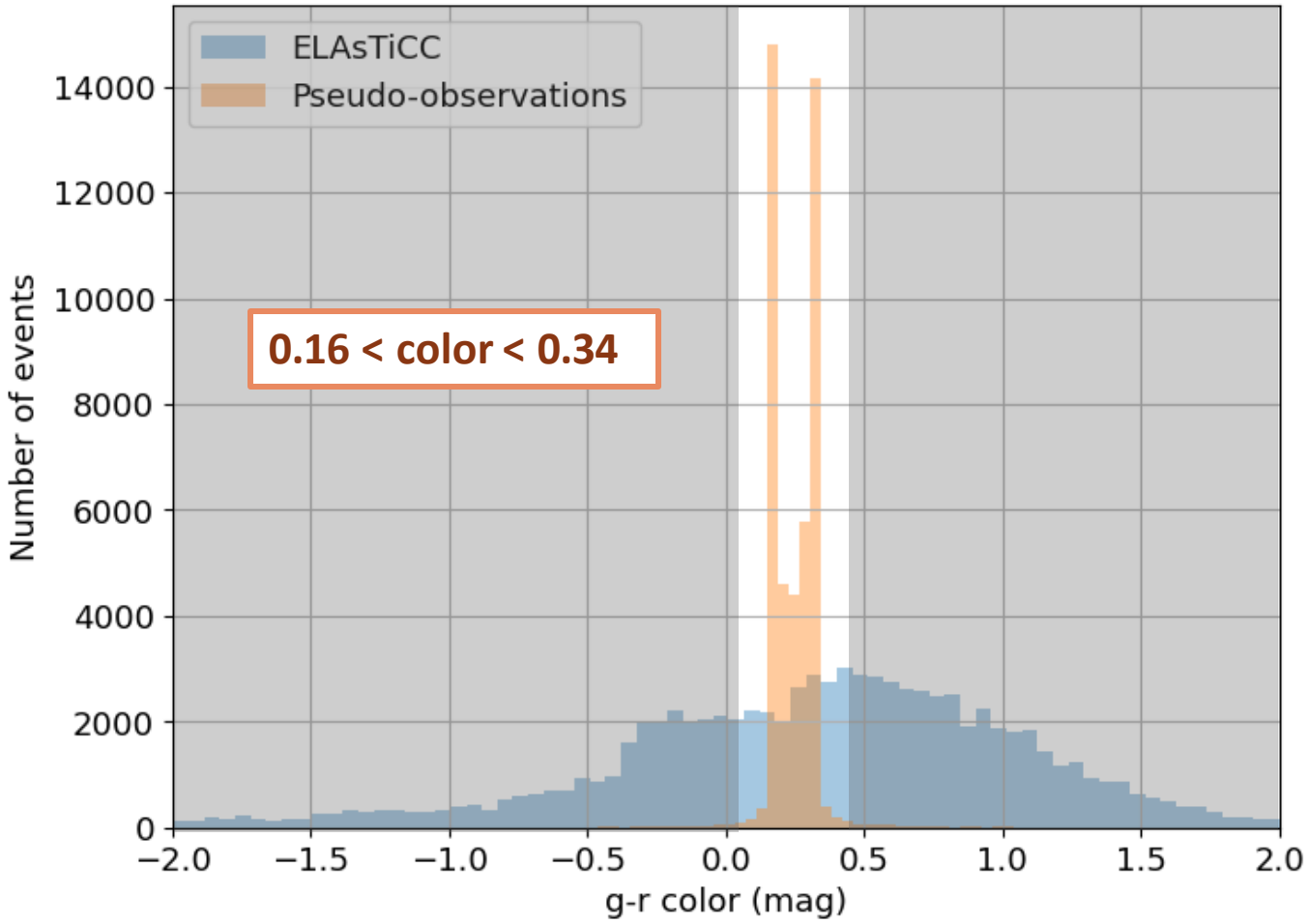
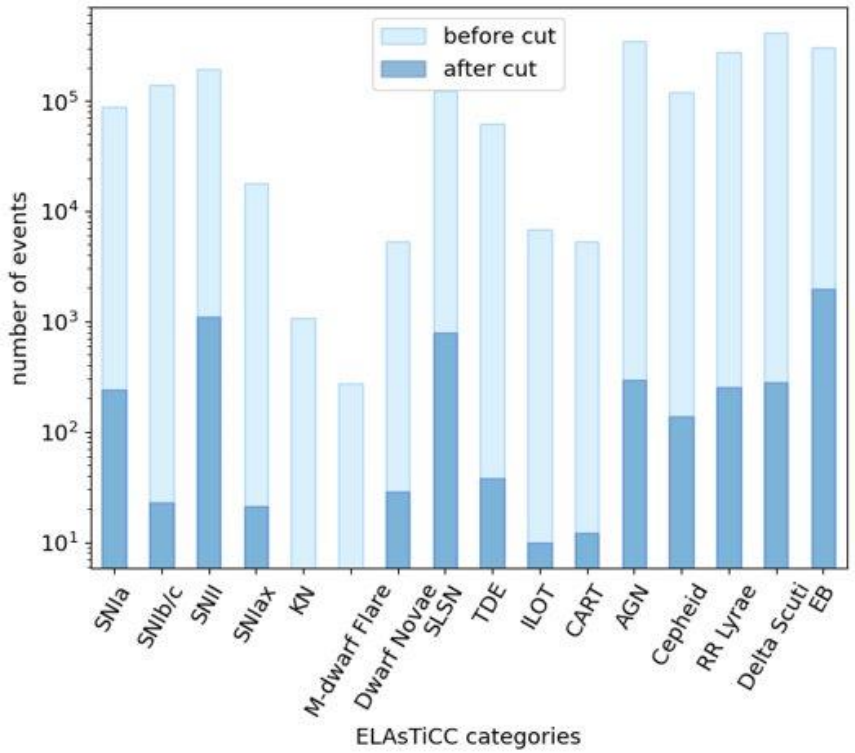


Removes

~ 98% of ELAsTiCC data

~ 28% of orphans



FIRST STAB AT BASIC CUTS

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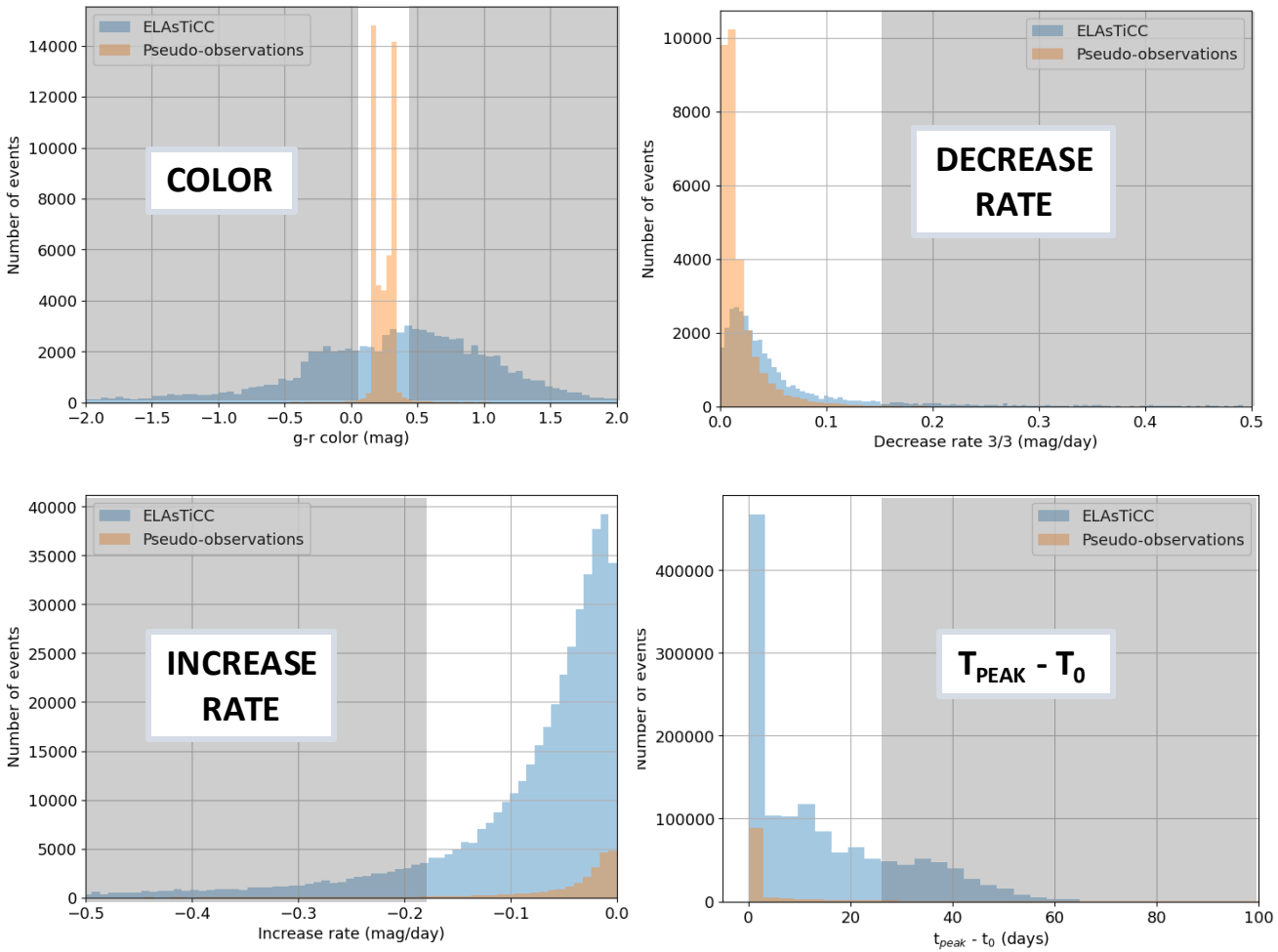

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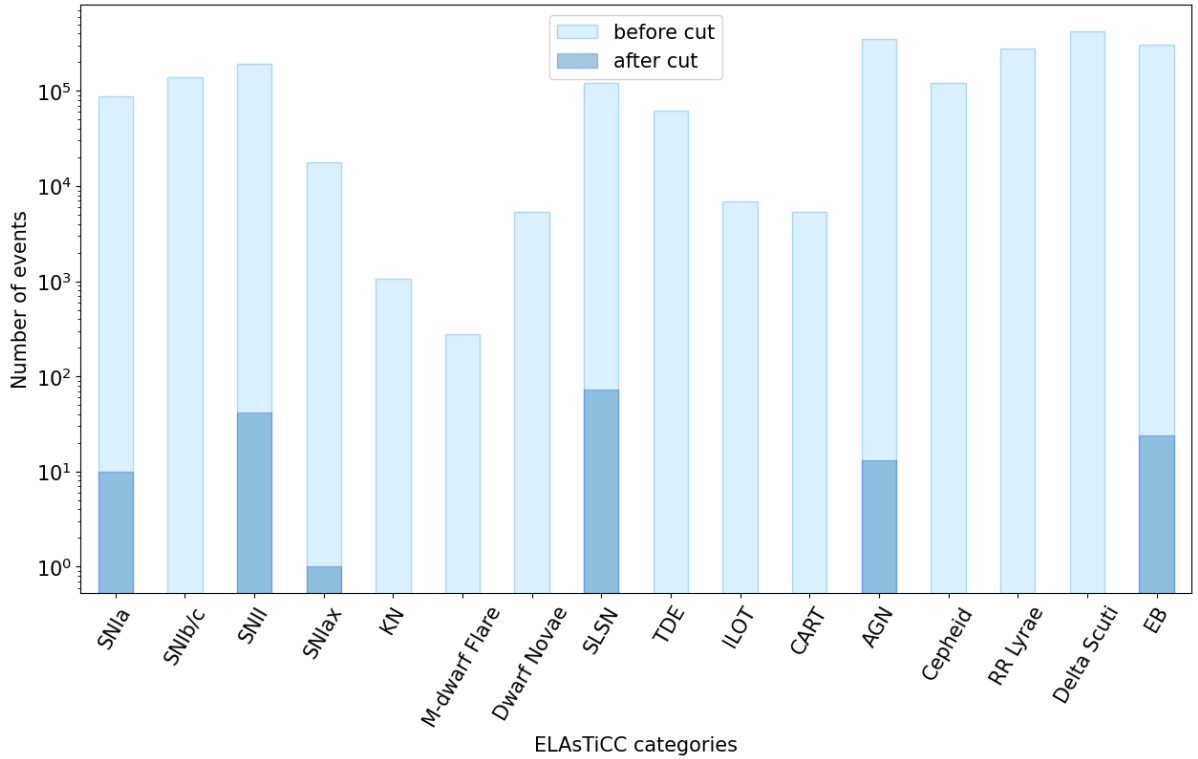
What remains

- ELAsTiCC data: 163 / ~2 millions events (but for 1 month...)
- Orphans: 1884 / ~200,000 events (~ 30 years...)



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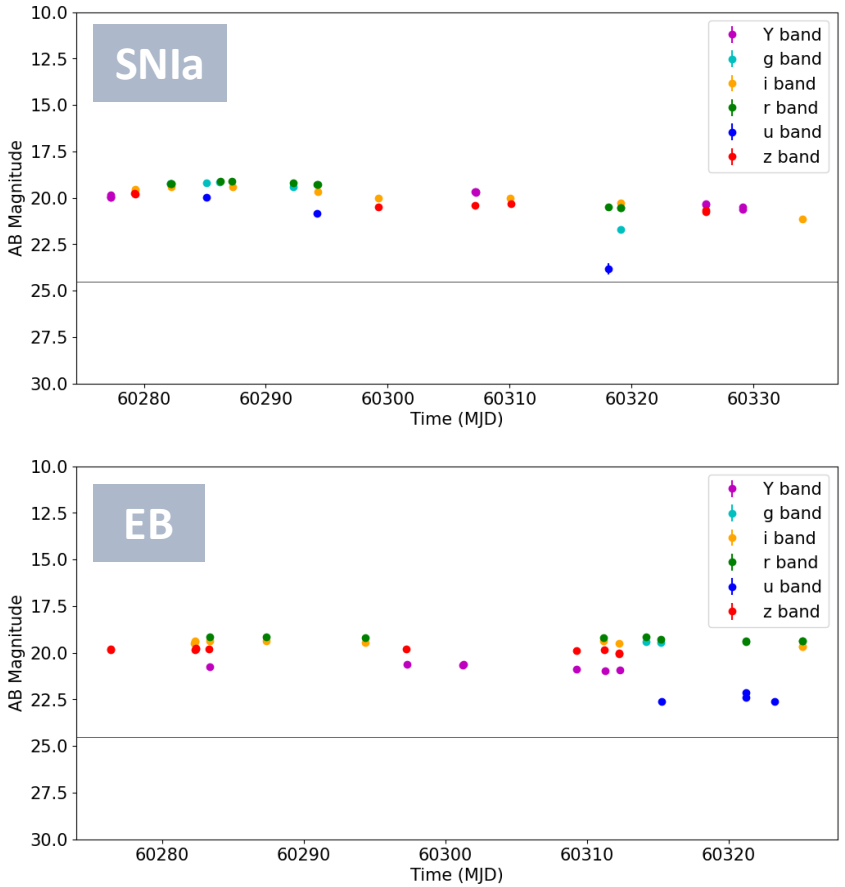

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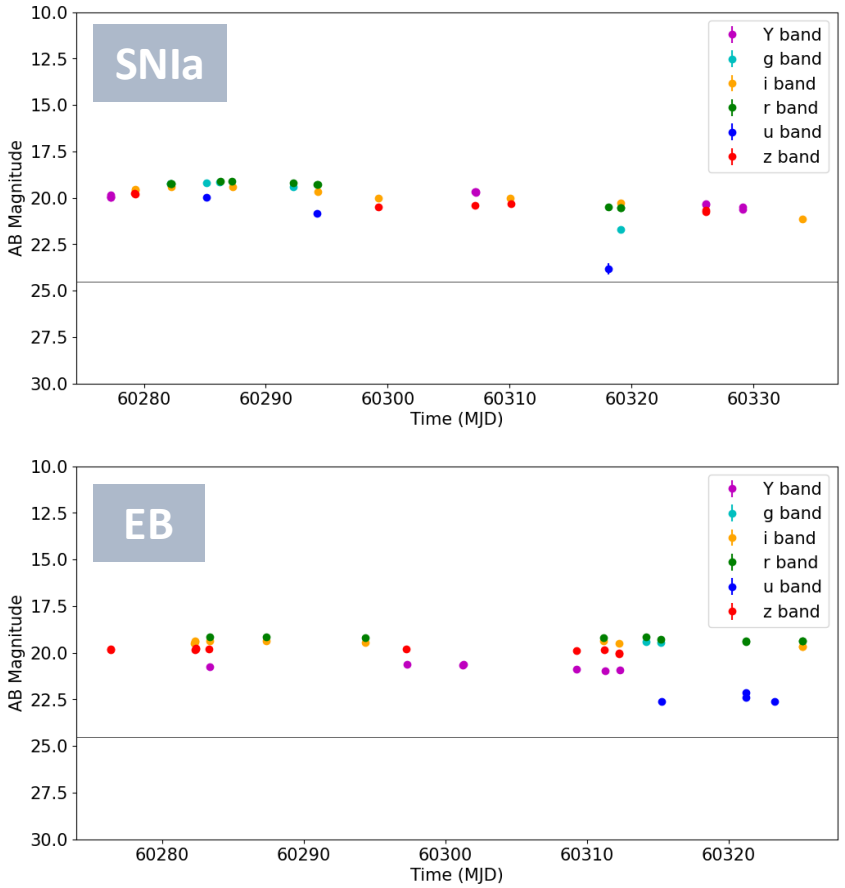
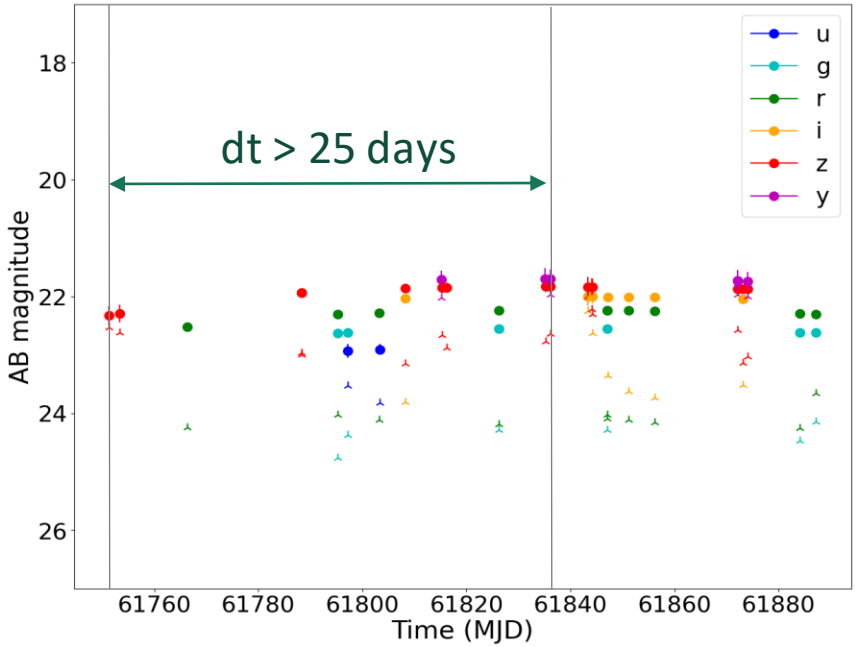


"Good" orphan (> 10 points) that does not pass the cuts



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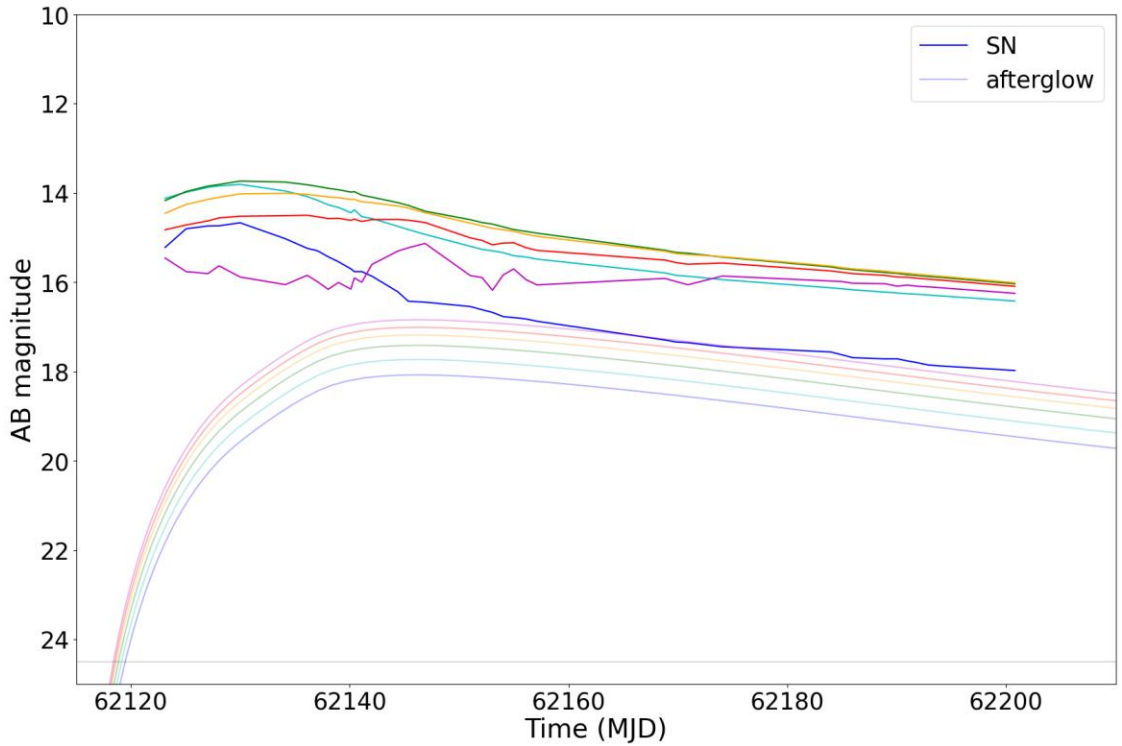

⟹ Orphan light curve "hidden" by the SN light curve
⟹ Impact of the orphan on the SN light curve seen at later times

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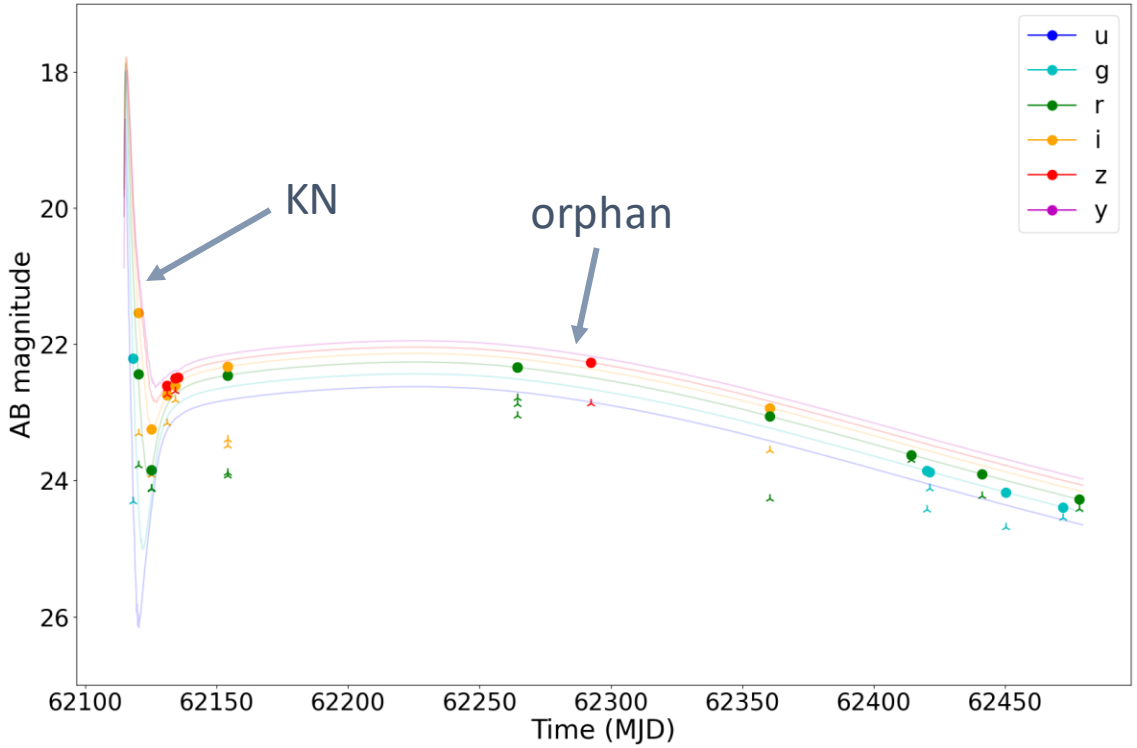

⟹ KN light curve may appear at early times
⟹ Quantify impact of KN on light curve features

CONCLUSION & PERSPECTIVES

All the codes can be accessible on GitLab

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Simulation of a population of GRBs

- Choose parameter distributions
- Work on a short GRB population based on SBAT4 catalogue STILL IN PROGRESS

Simulation of "pseudo-observations"

- Just a few % of "pseudo-observations" will be observable by the Rubin Observatory
- Expected number of observed orphans by the Rubin LSST **~ 10 orphan/yr** (compatible with Ghirlanda et al. 2015)

Characterize "pseudo-observed" light curve of orphan GRBs

- Compute some features to describe the shape of the light curve and their correlations
- Compare to ELAsTiCC data and define some cuts to discriminate orphans
- Study of the impact of a SN or KN light curve STILL IN PROGRESS

PERSPECTIVES

- **Develop a first version of a filter for FINK to identify OAs**


THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

https://github.com/geoffryan/afterglowpy

STUDY OF THE MODEL: PARAMETERS IMPACT

Scan of the model parameters ⟹ study their impact on the observability of the afterglow

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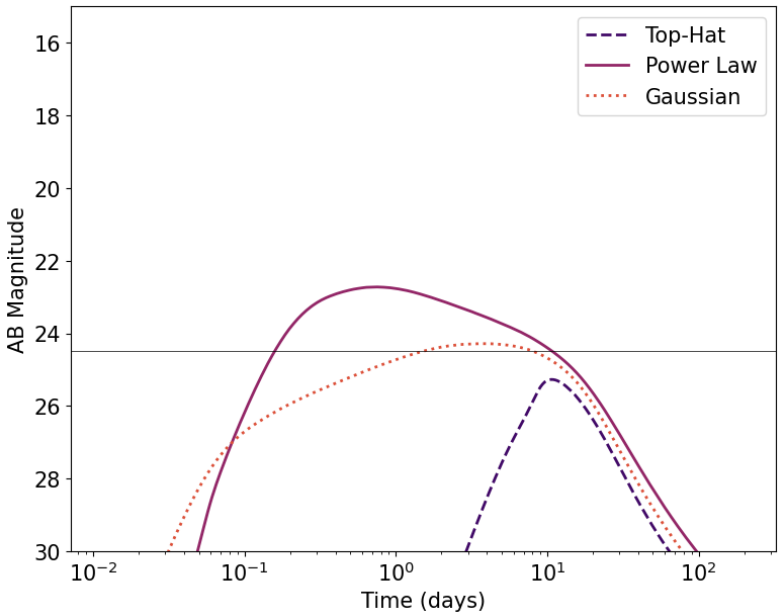

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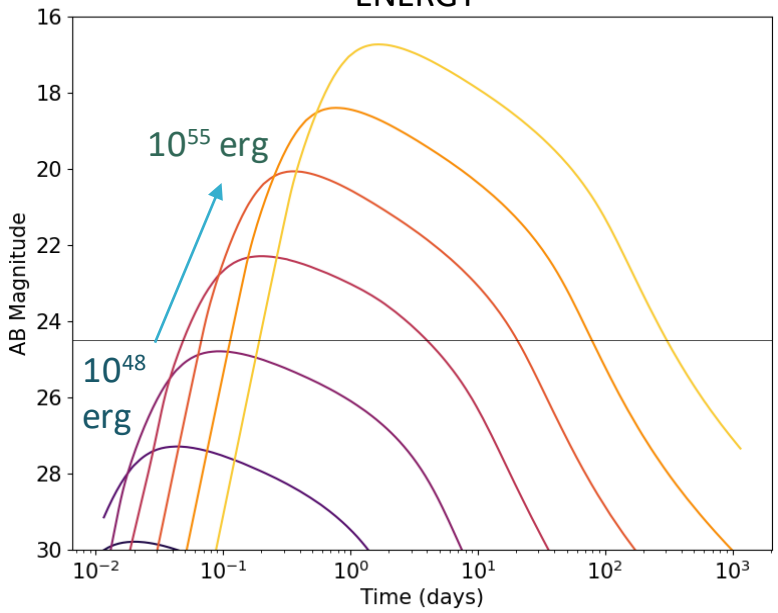

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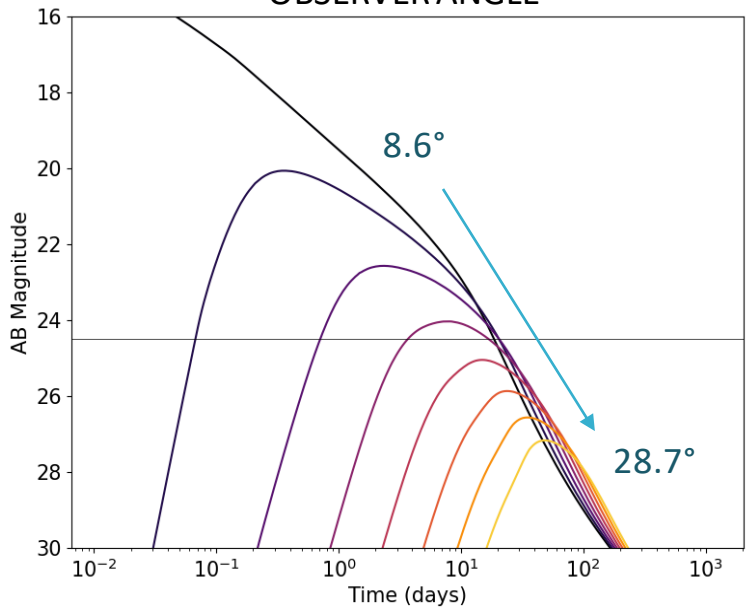

⟹ Some parameters may balance out each other
⟹ The parameters space is very large

ANNEXE 1

SIMULATION OF A POPULATION OF GRBS

THEORETICAL ORPHAN LIGHT CURVES

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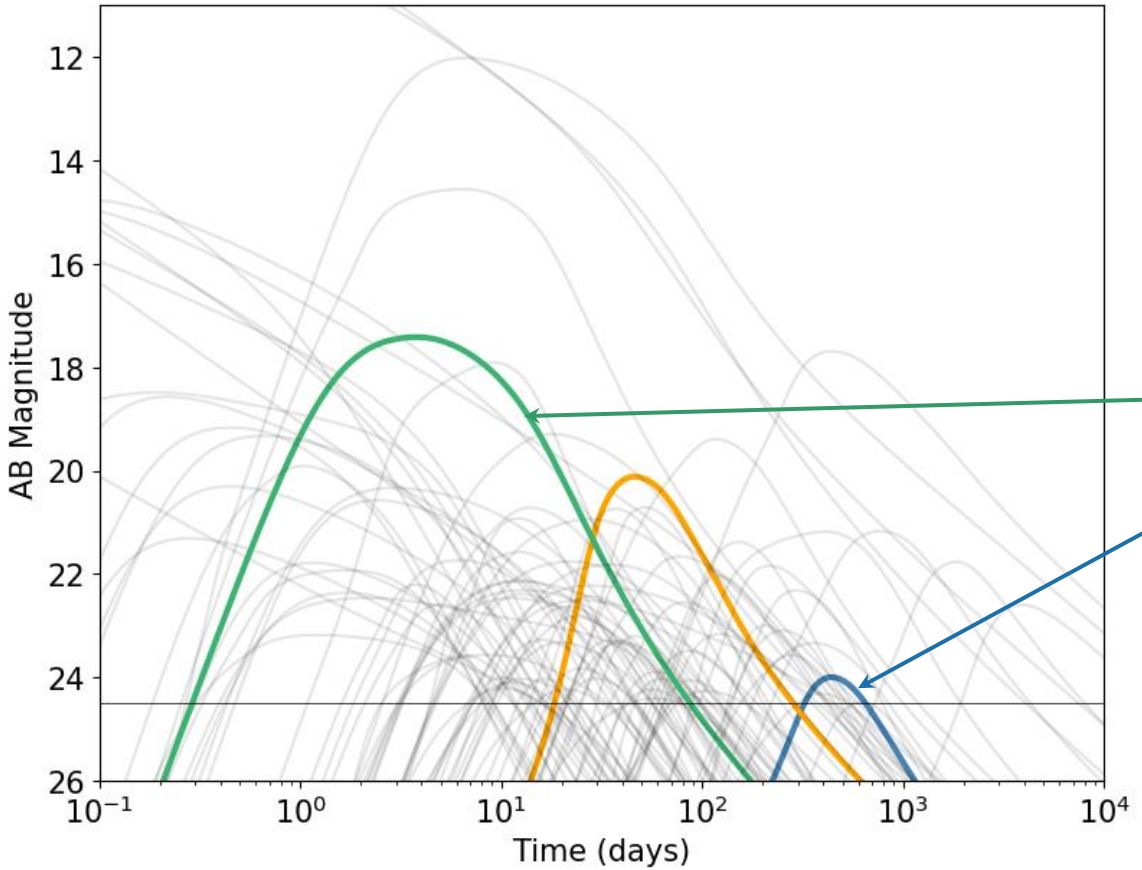


Orphans from structured (power-law) jets observable for at least 7 days

Large diversity of light curves:

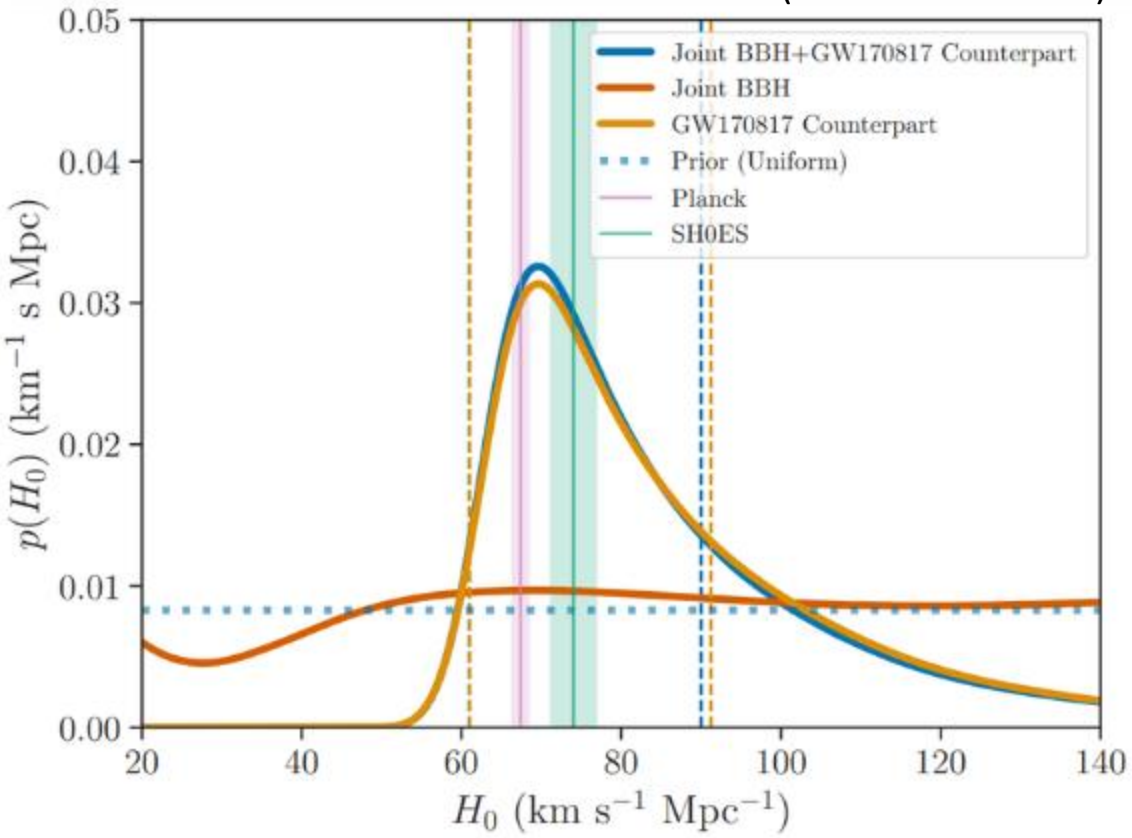
- Bright and short orphans
- Faint and long orphans
- …

⟹ Characterizing orphan light curves will be complex

ANNEXE 2

H0 MEASUREMENT

Abbott et al. 2021 (arXiv:1908.06060)



$$d_L(z) = \frac{c(1+z)}{H_0} \int_0^z \frac{dz'}{\sqrt{\Omega_m (1+z')^3 + \Omega_\Lambda (1+z')^{3(1+w(z'))}}}$$

When z << 1:

$$d_L(z) = \frac{cz}{H_0}$$

ANNEXE 3