

Spectro-Polarimetry of GRB 160802A and GRB 171010A



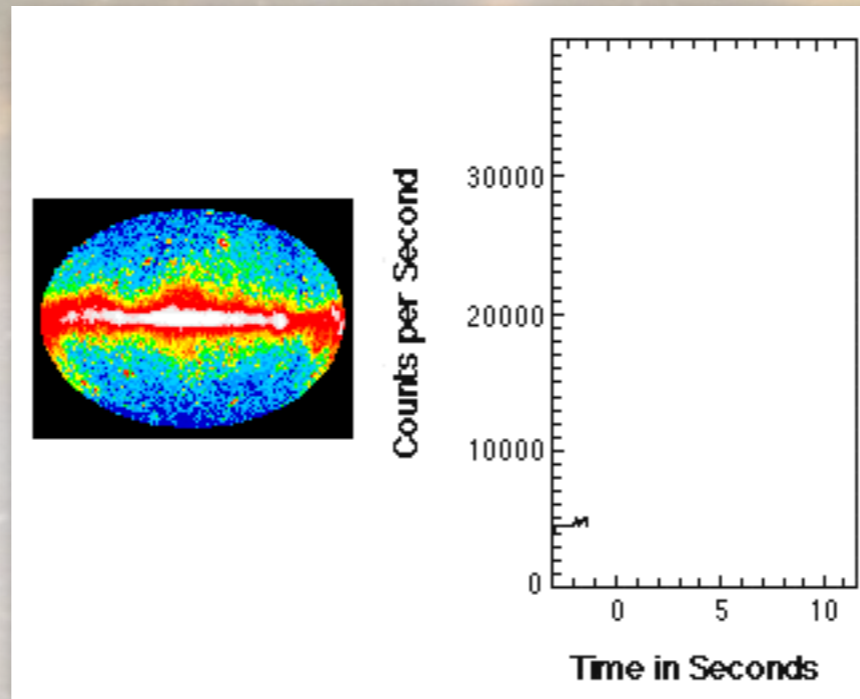
Optical flash GRB 130427A (Source: NASA)

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GRB - Introduction

Prompt/ AG: importance of understanding prompt emission

Polarimetry: spectro-polarimetry

GRB polarisation - CZT Imager

GRB pol. as a class

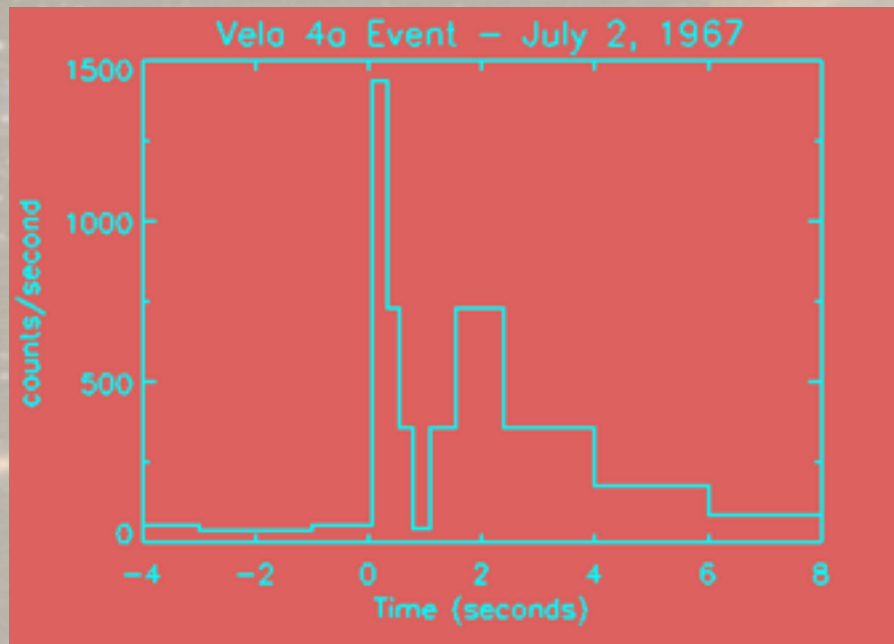
Individual: GRB 160802A and GRB 171010A

Needed: better spectroscopy and better polarimetry

Other sources

Conclusions

Gamma ray bursts (GRBs) Observational Timeline



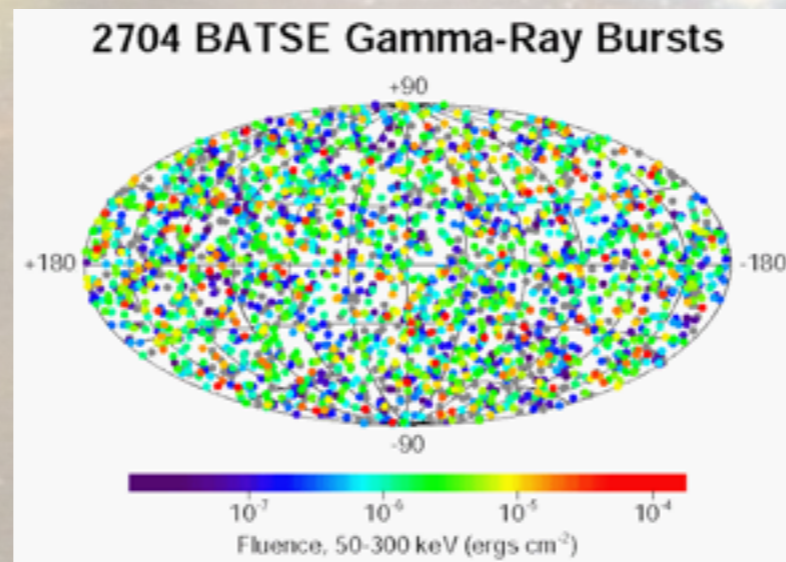
1973 First reported



NASA

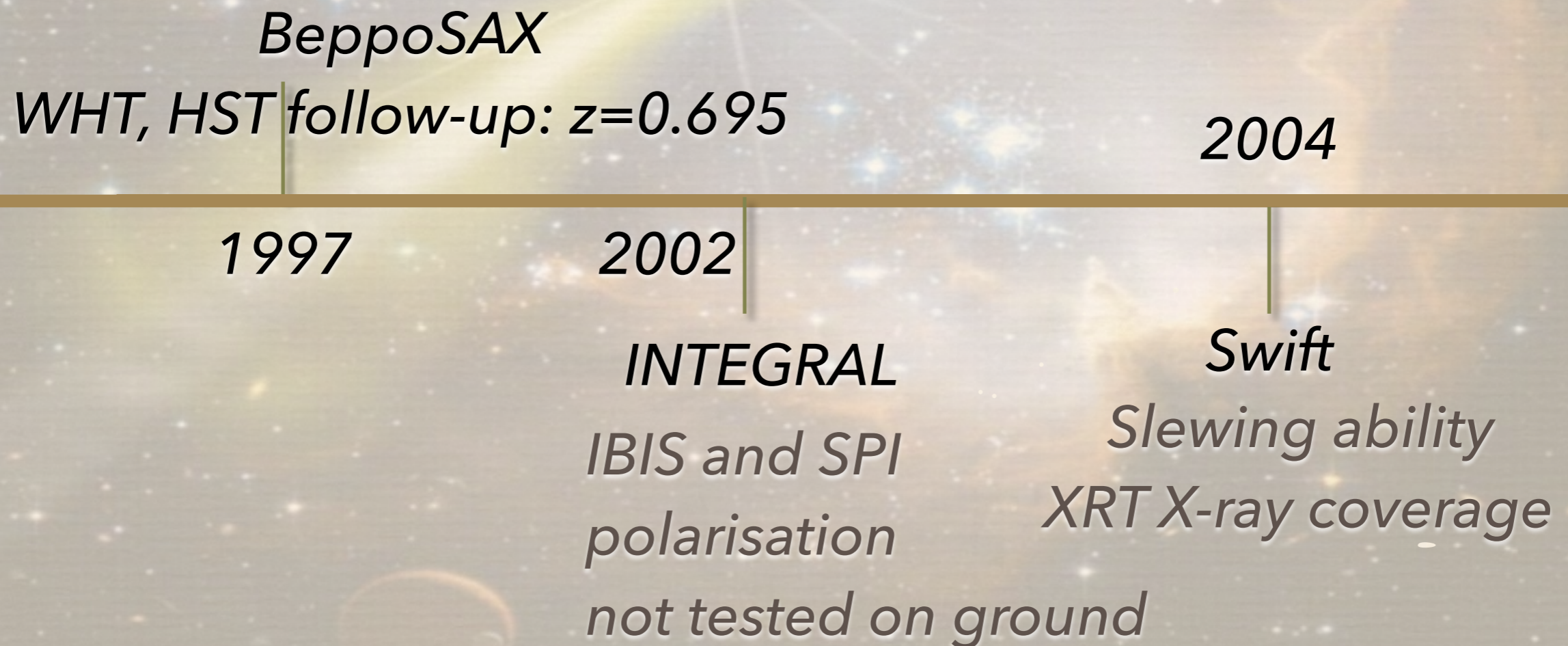
Vela Satellites
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BATSE 1991-2000 Isotropic
key: Localization

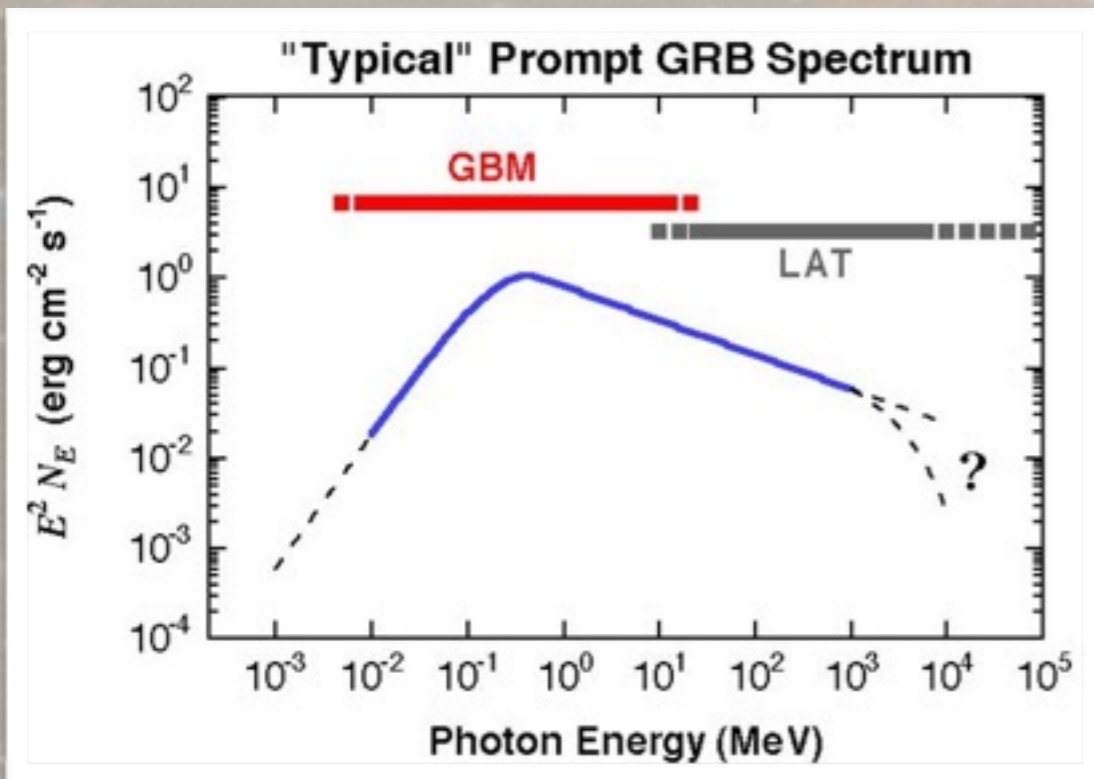


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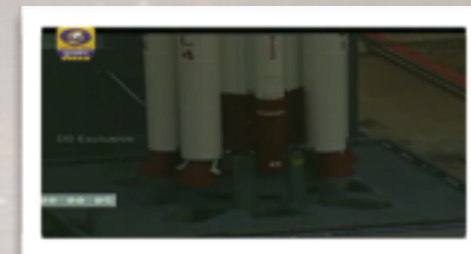
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Fermi



AstroSat

2010

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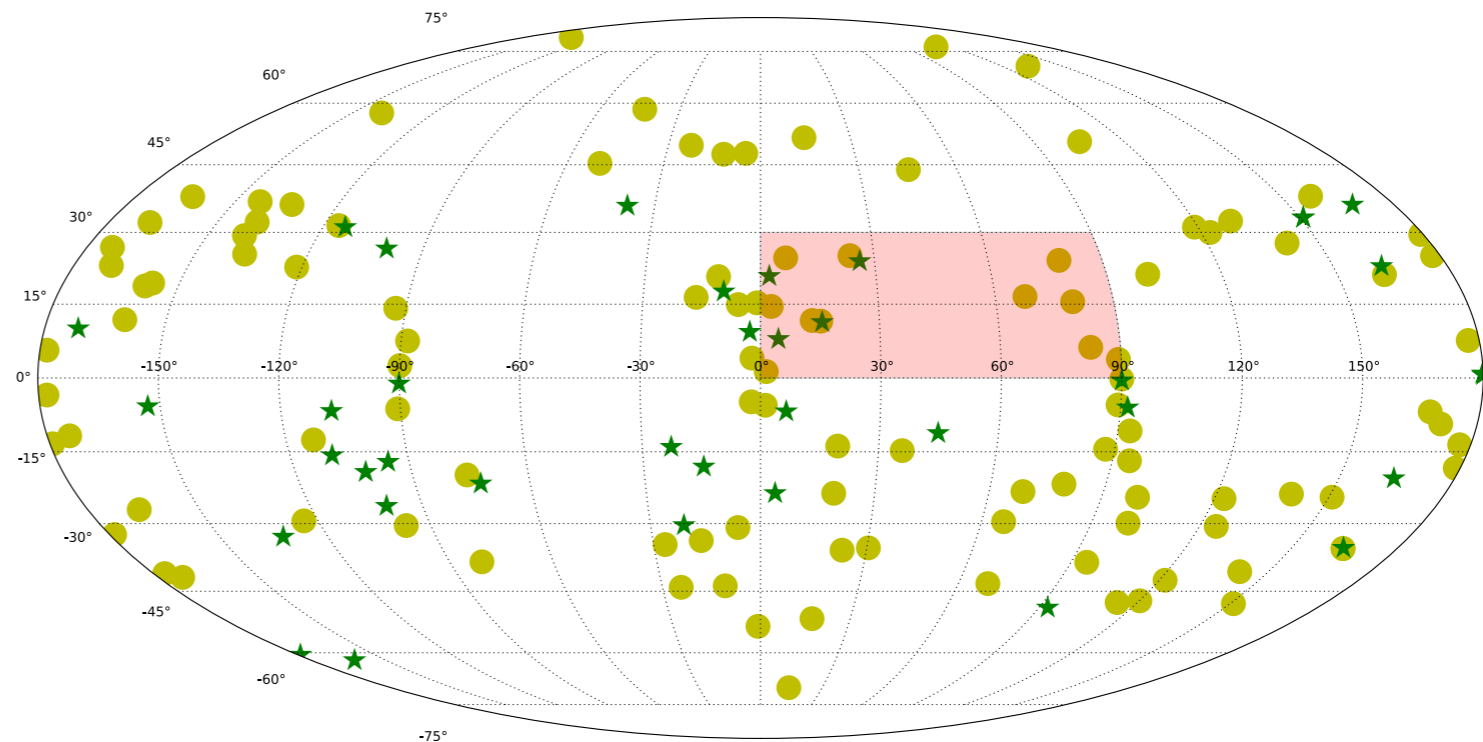
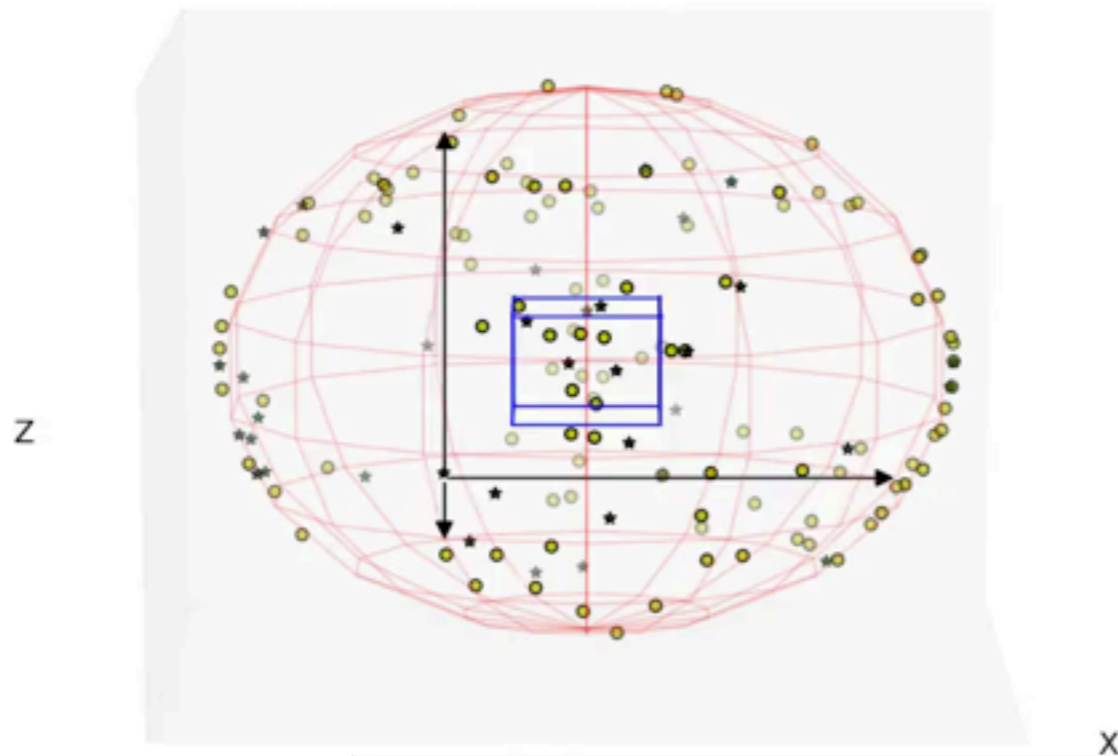
GAP

28 Sept, 2015

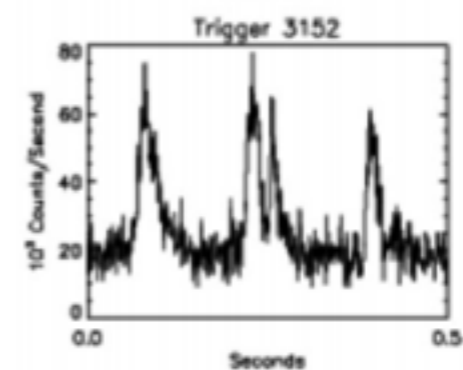
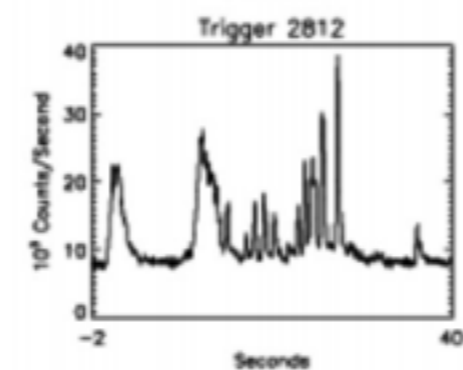
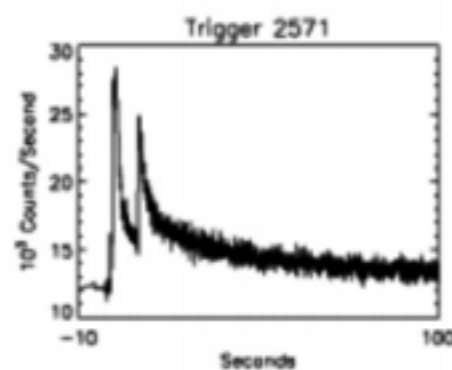
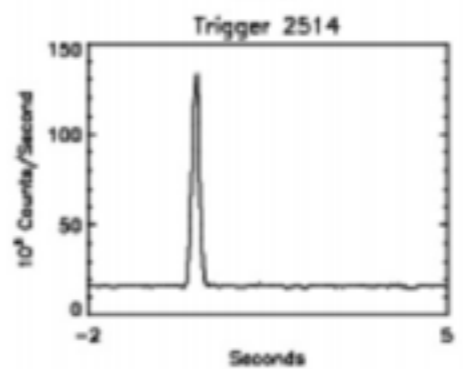
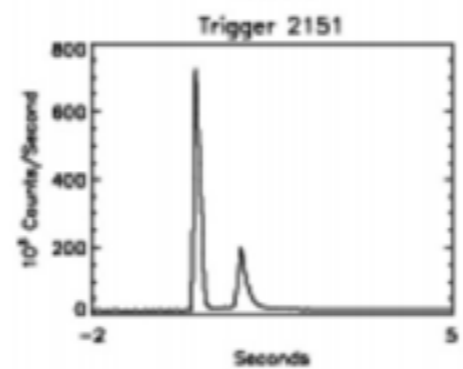
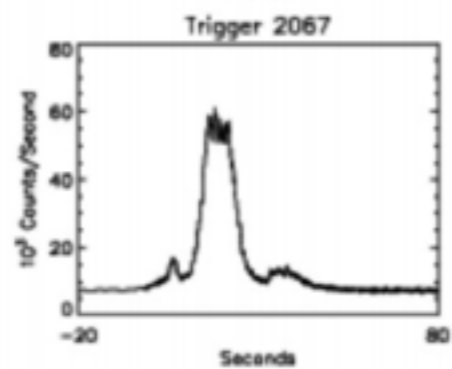
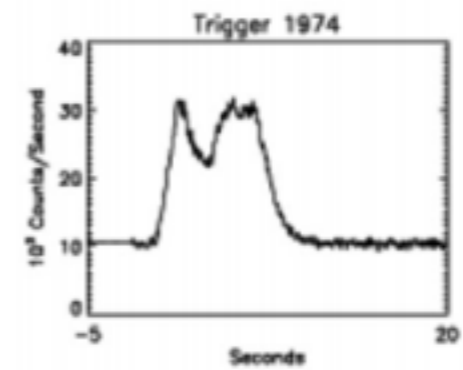
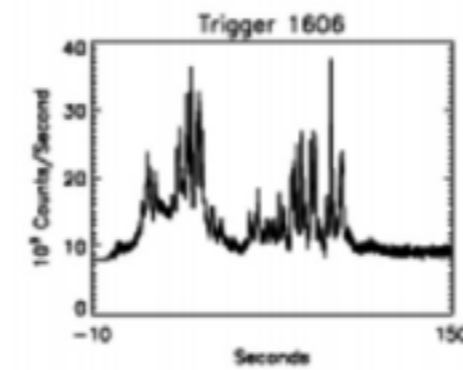
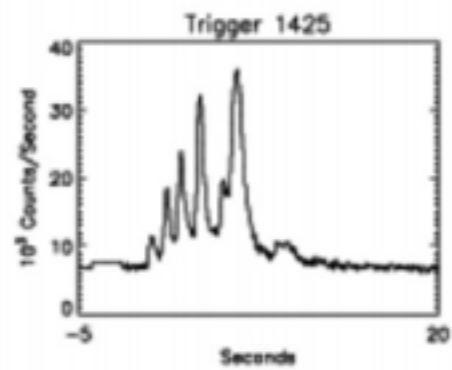
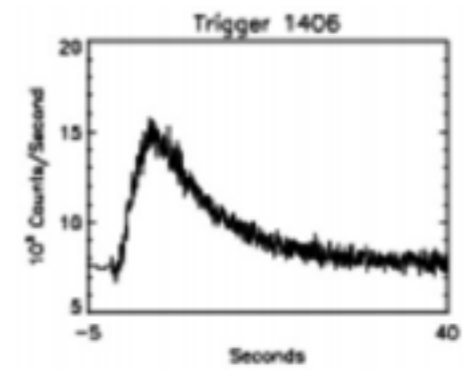
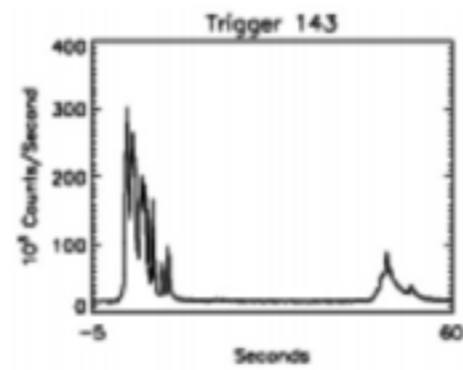
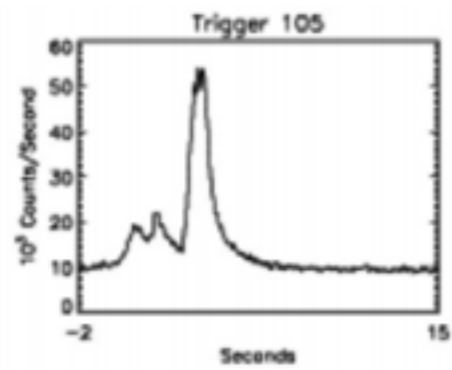
*CZTI can measure
polarisation
in 100 - 400 keV*

CZTI GRBs

- Observed more than 47 GRBs in First year



Light Curves



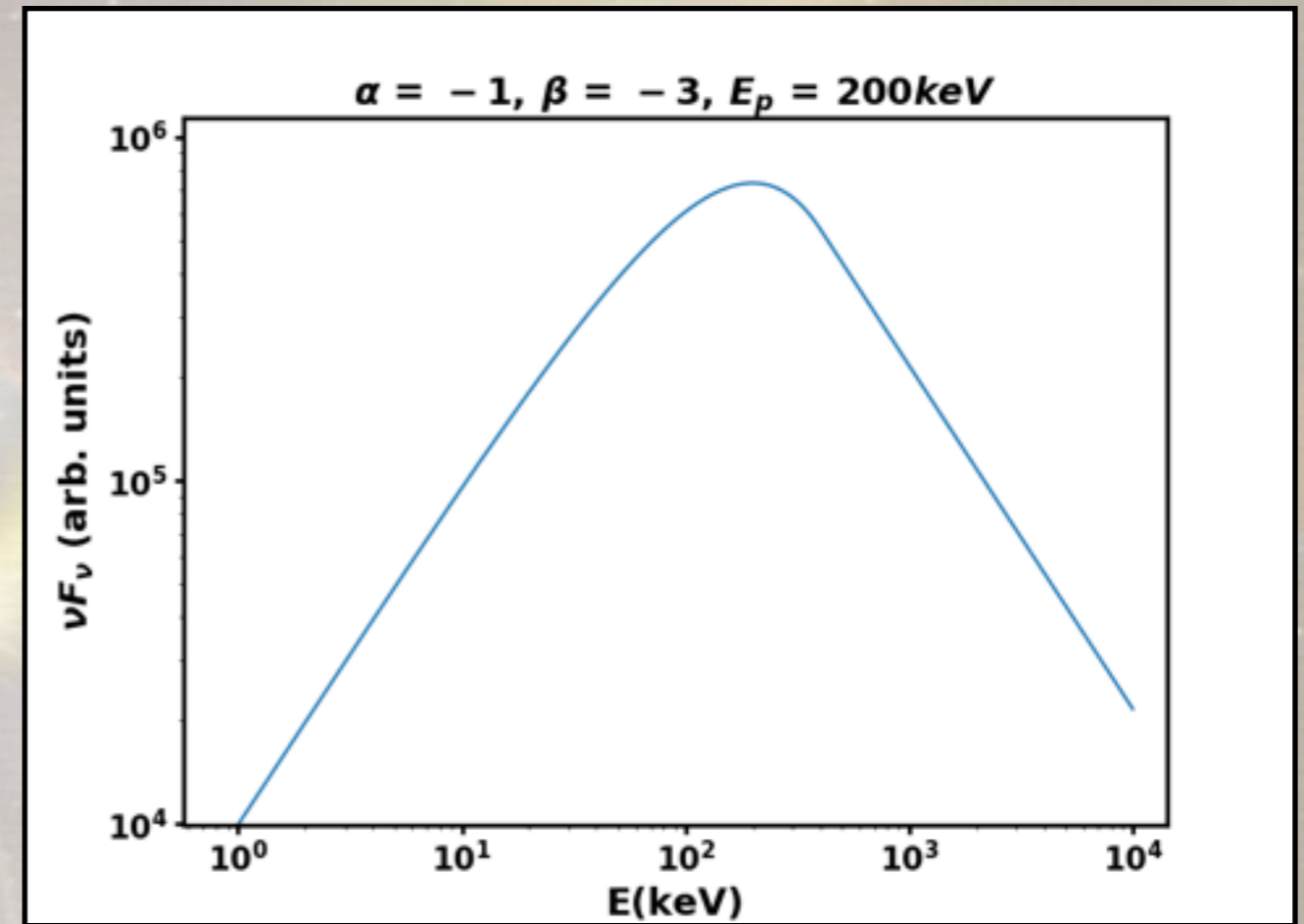
● Spectral Properties-Simplest picture

♣ Non thermal

Band function

$$N(E) = \begin{cases} A \left(\frac{E}{100 \text{ keV}} \right)^\alpha \exp\left(-\frac{E}{E_0}\right), & E < (\alpha - \beta)E_0, \\ A \left[\frac{(\alpha - \beta)E_0}{100 \text{ keV}} \right]^{\alpha - \beta} \exp(\beta - \alpha) \left(\frac{E}{100 \text{ keV}} \right)^\beta, & E \geq (\alpha - \beta)E_0, \end{cases}$$

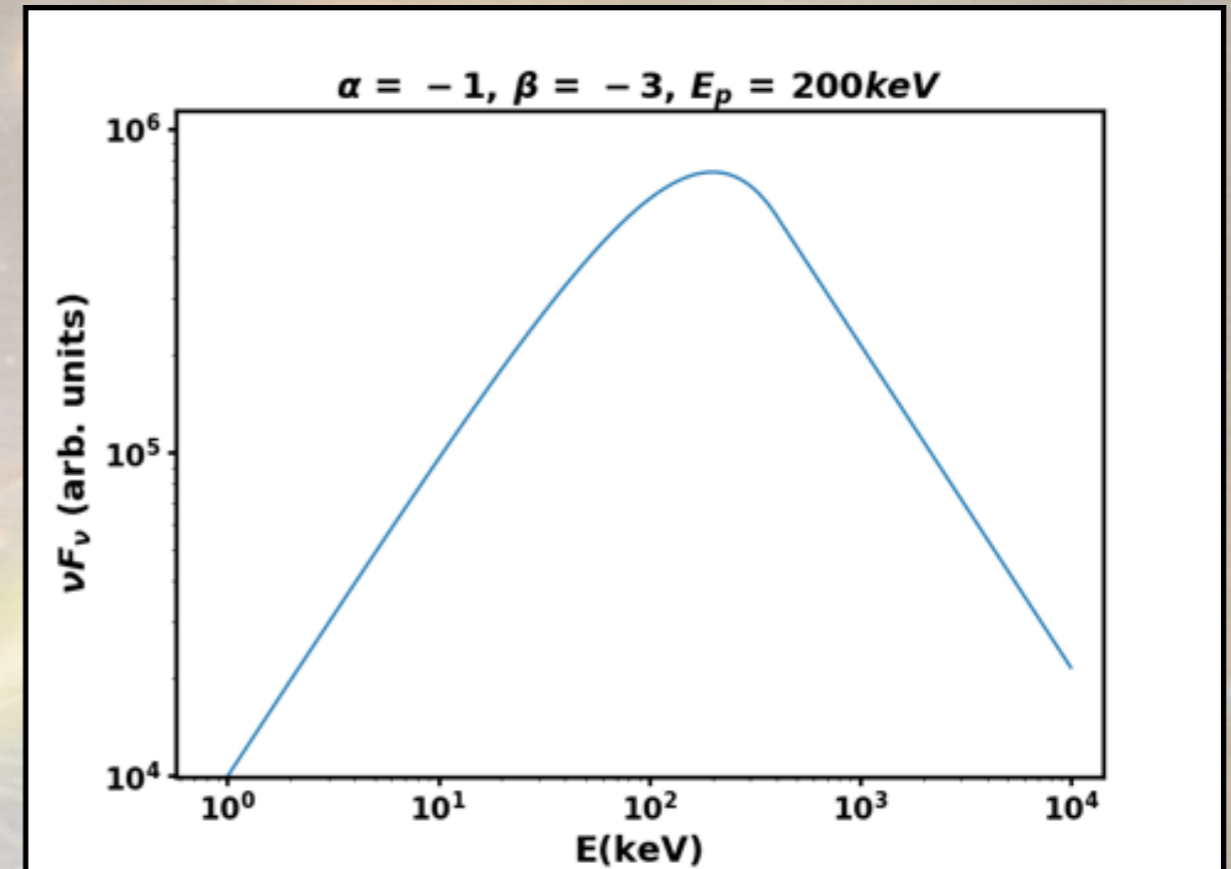
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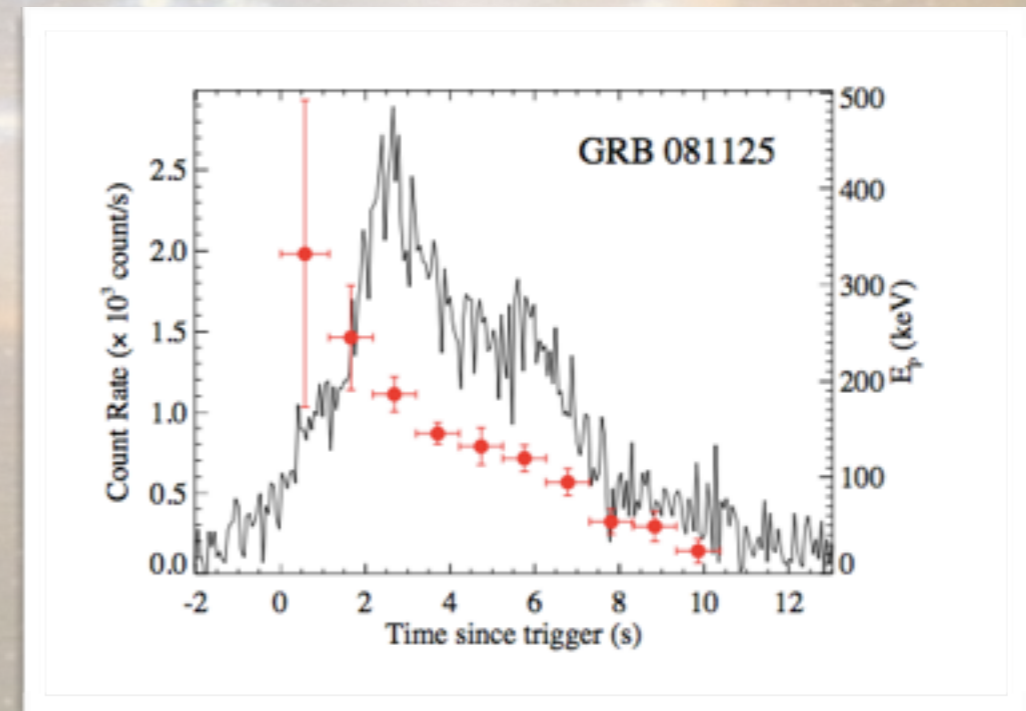
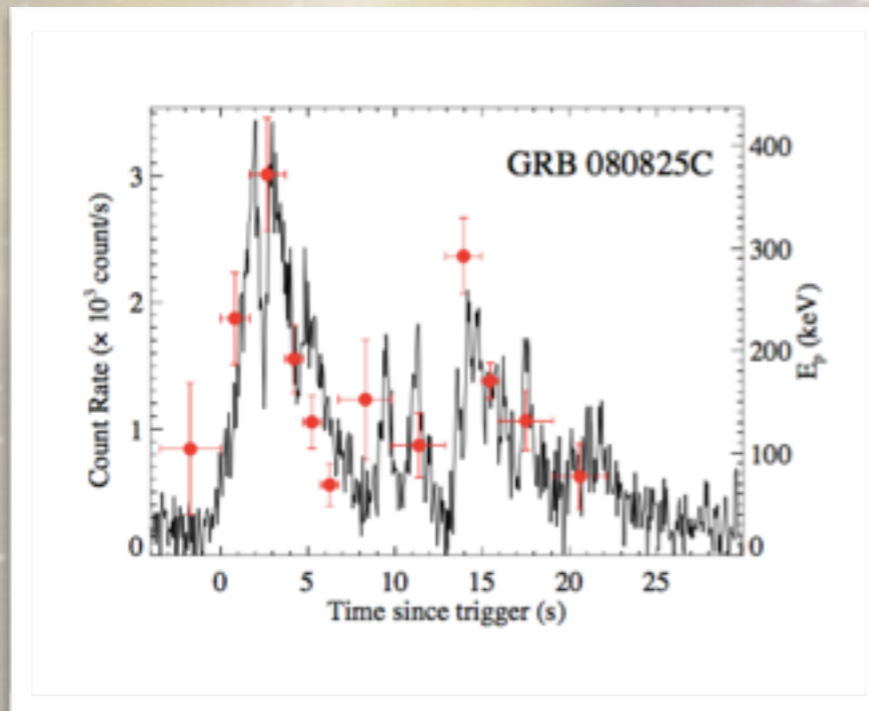
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Peak Energy Evolution

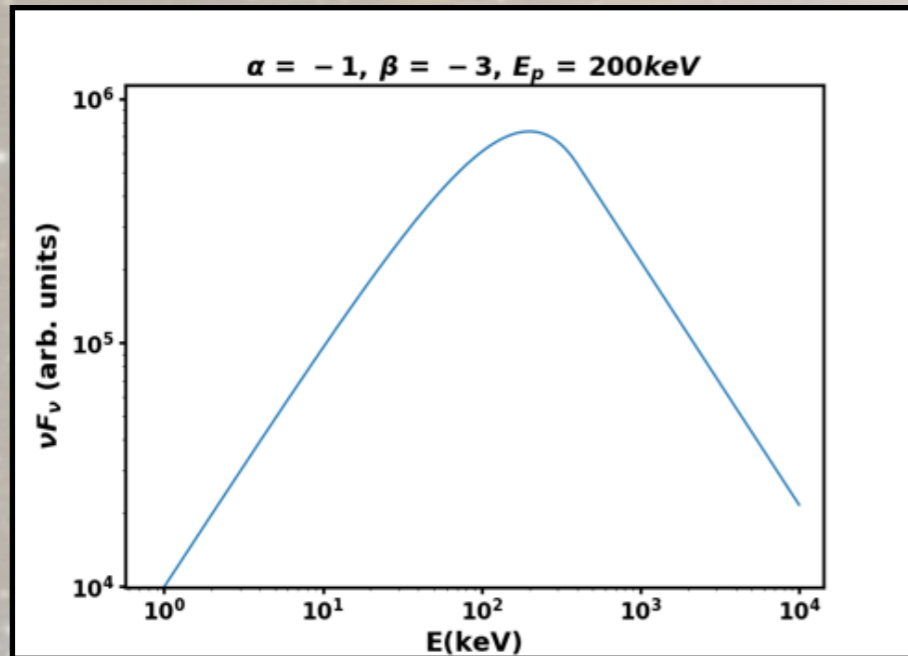


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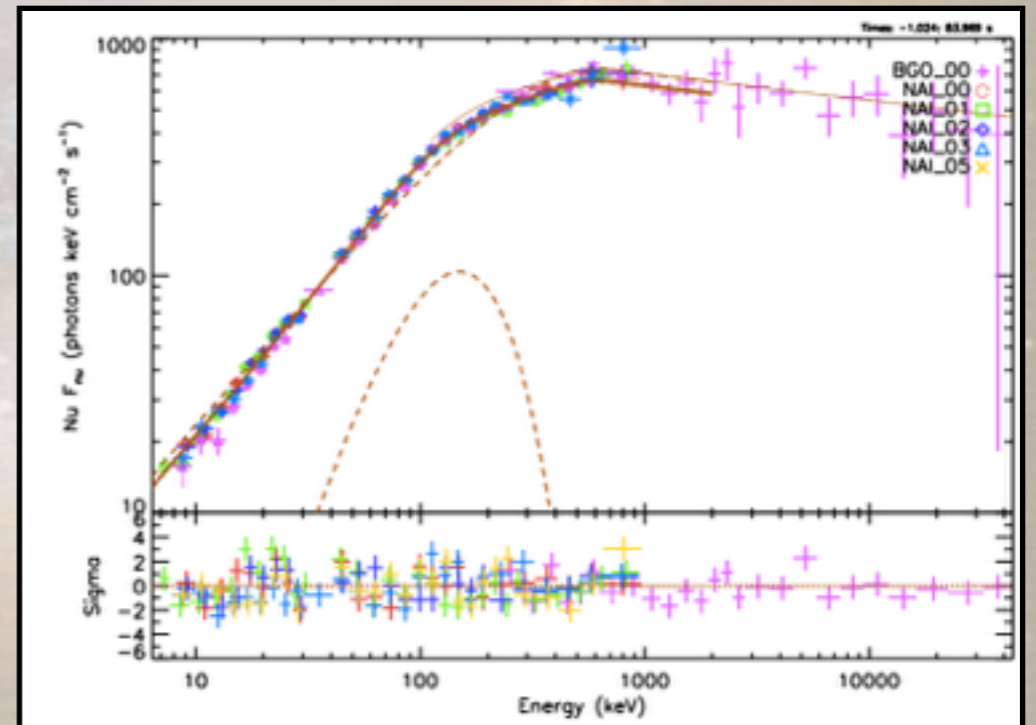
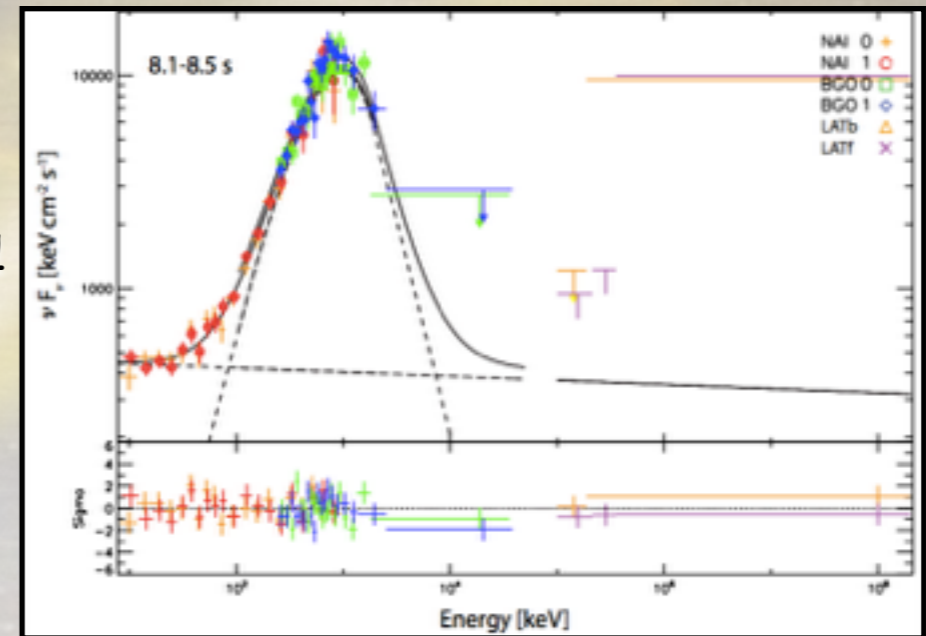
Lu et al. 2012

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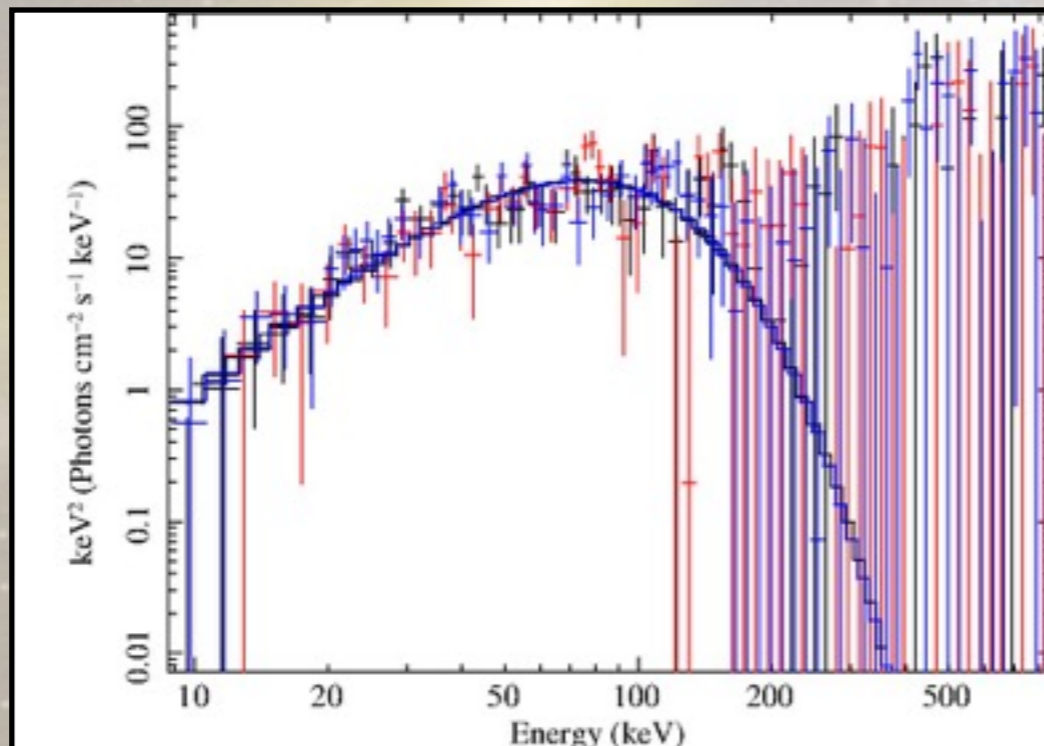
Observational properties of GRBs



Ryde et al. 2011



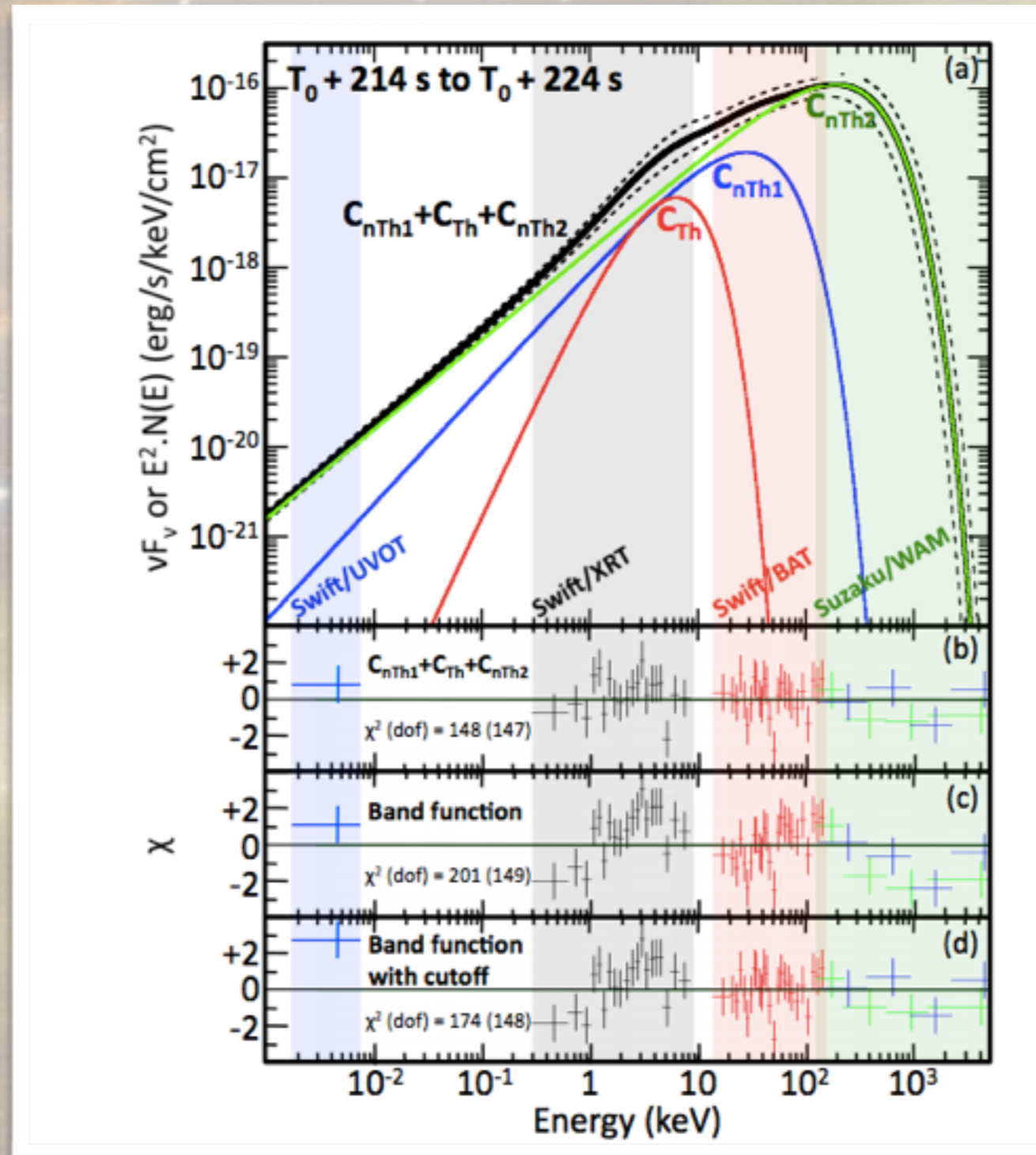
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Larsson 2015

❖ *Band Only, BB, BBPL, BB+Band, 2BBPL, BandC, GRBCOMP*

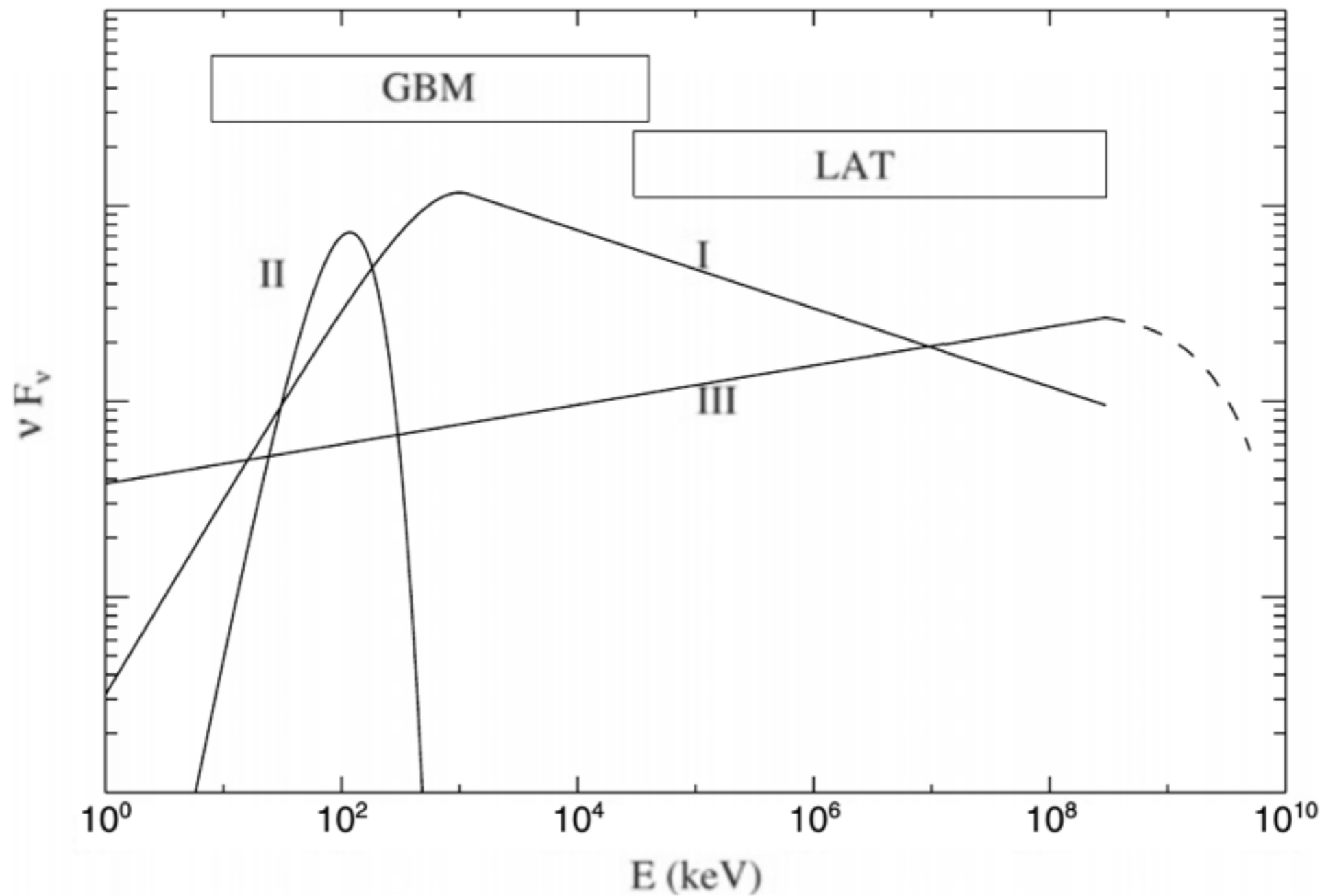
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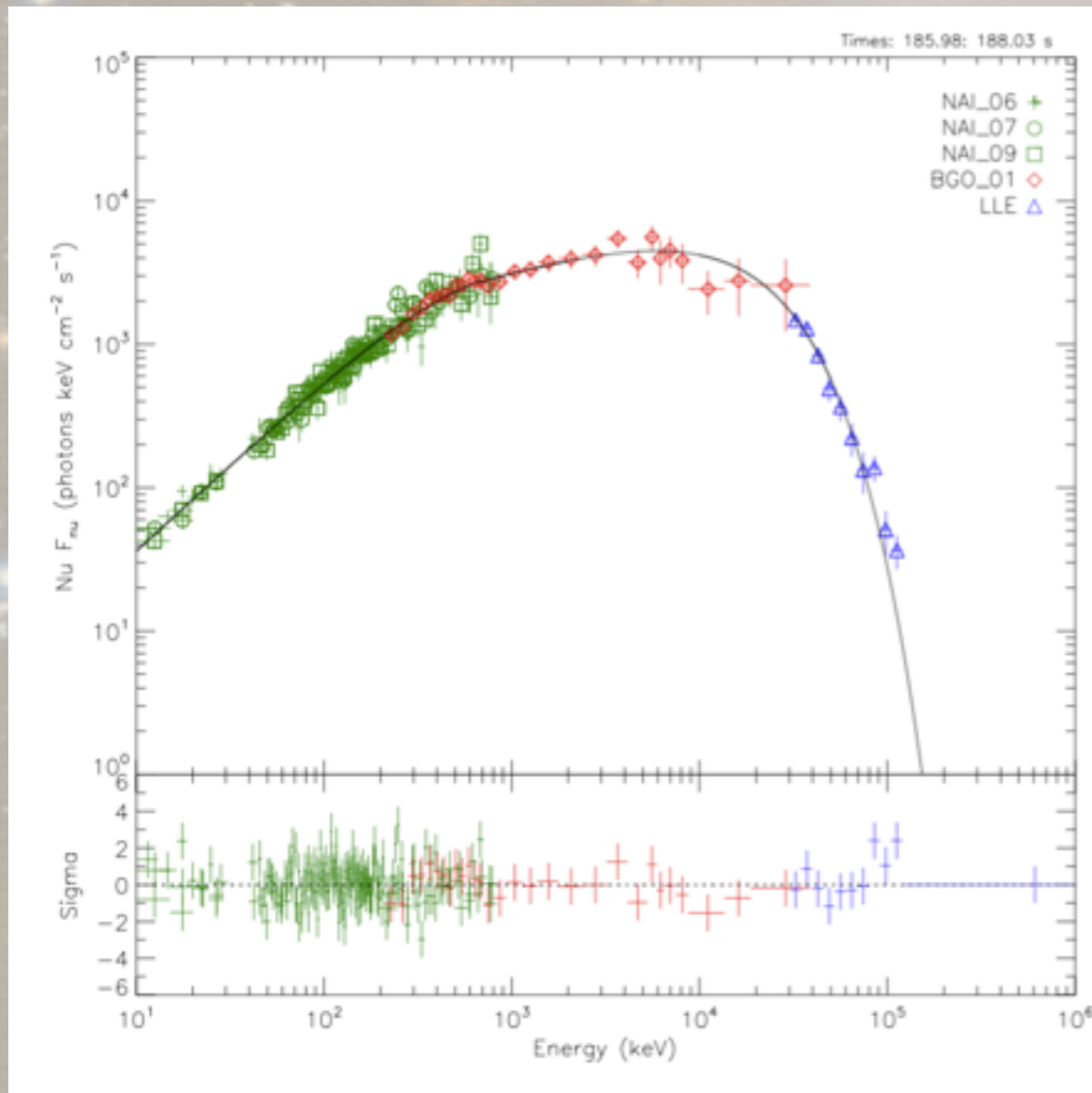
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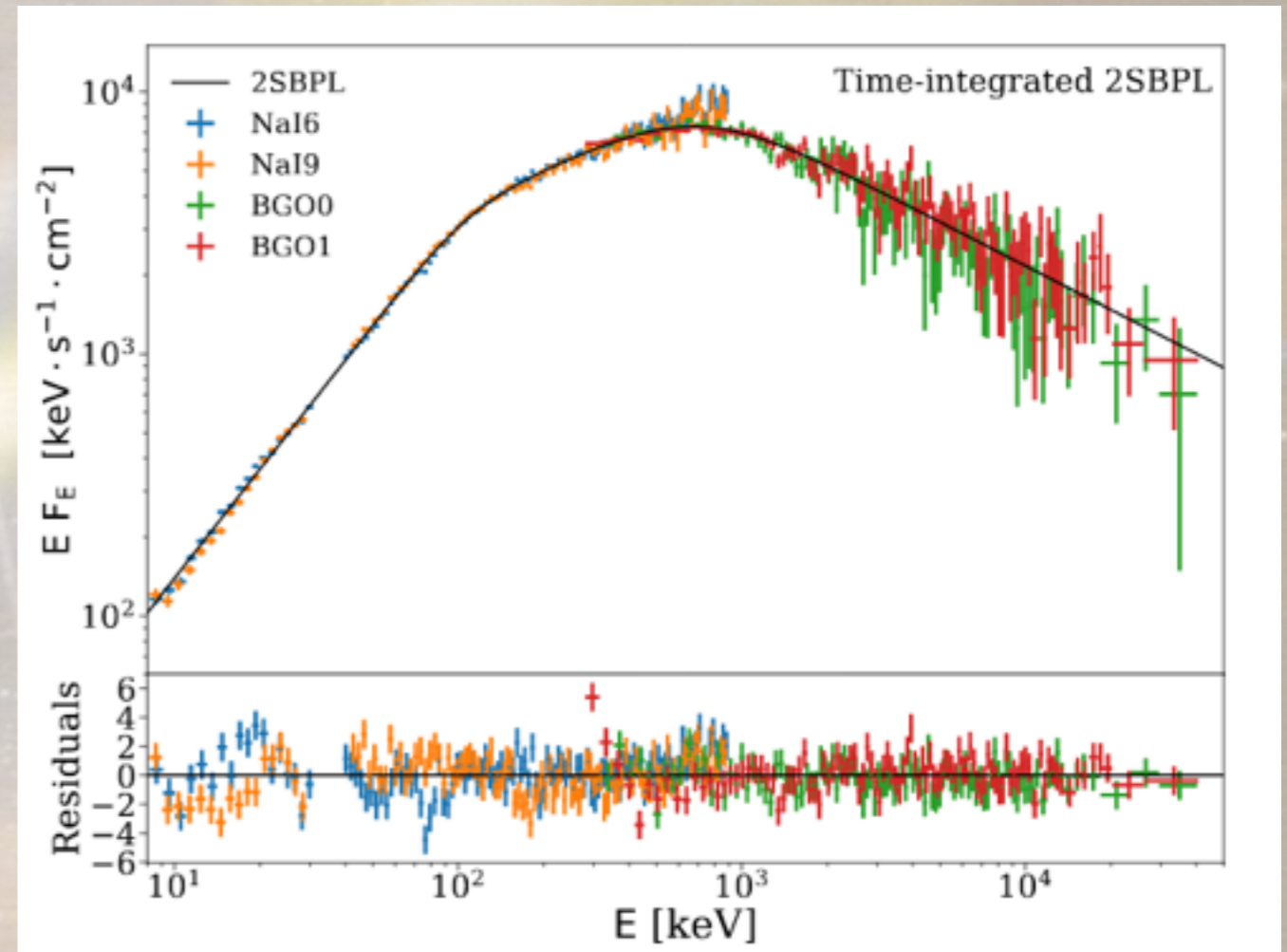
Band + BB + High energy emission extending to GeVs



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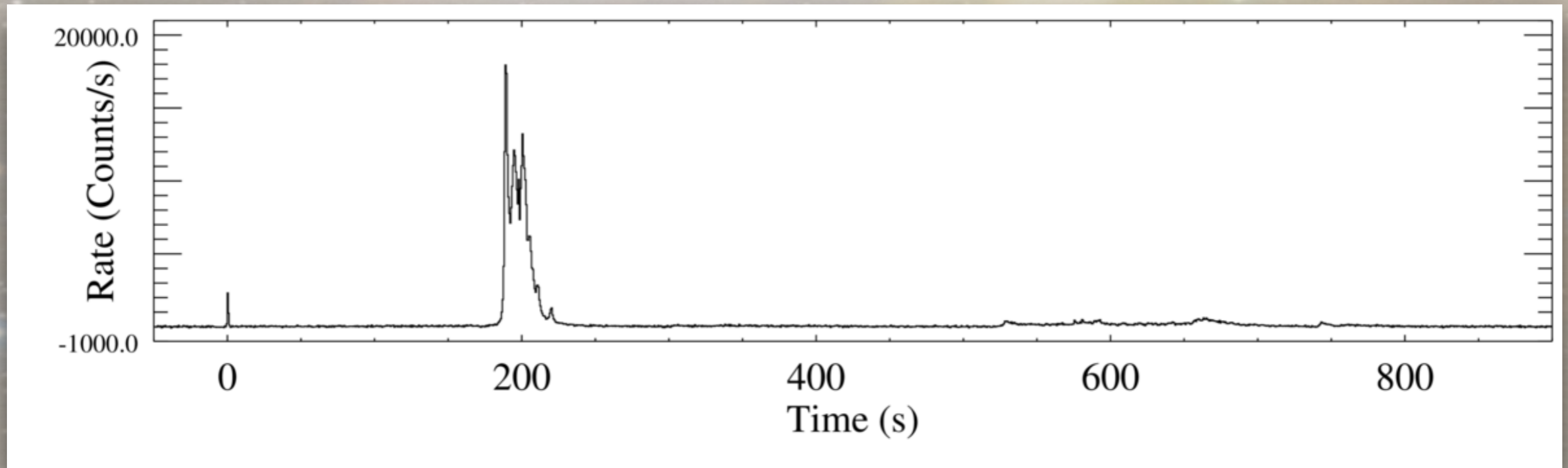


Wang et al., 2017; GRB160625B



Ravasio et al.; GRB160625B

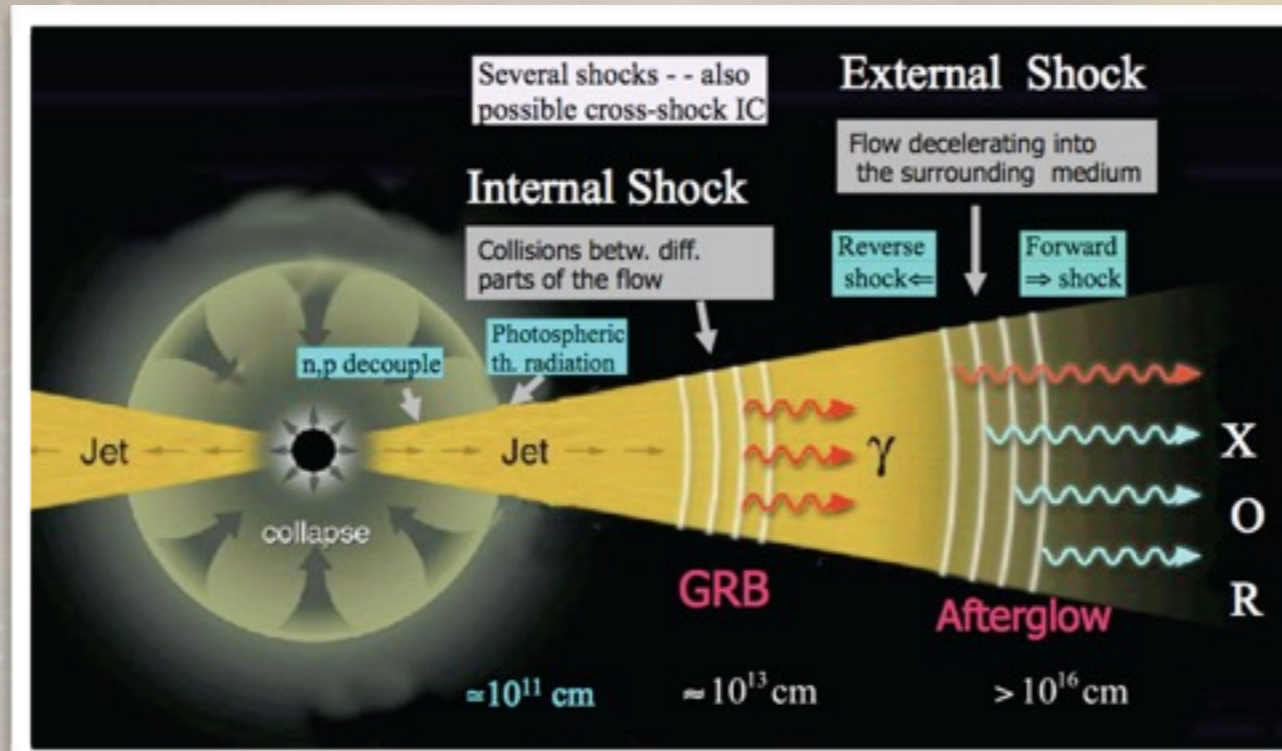
Transition from thermal to non-thermal mechanism



Zhang et al., 2018

GRB models

● Synchrotron radiation

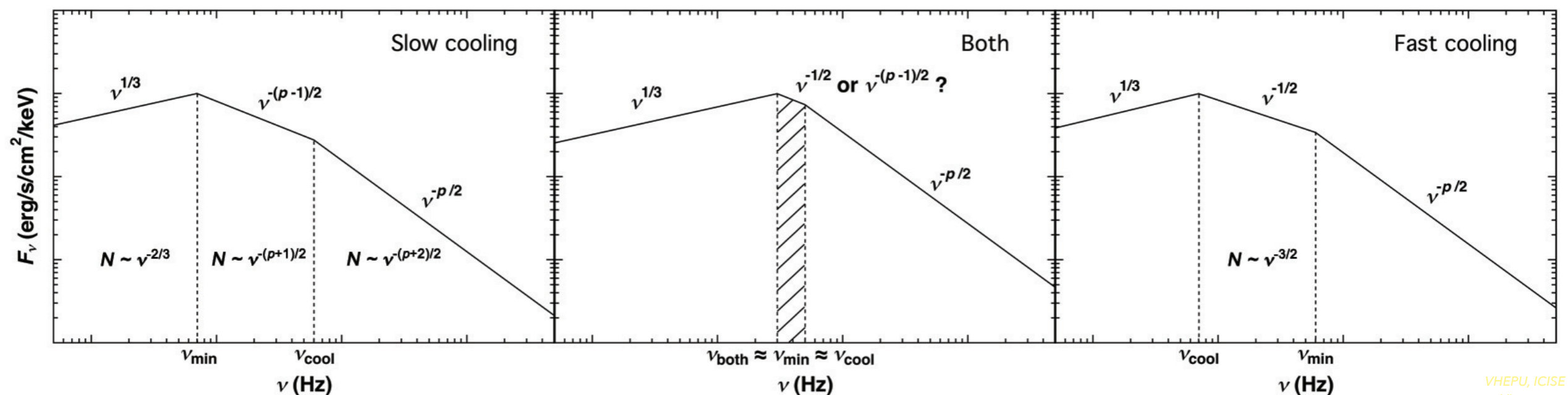


- *Fast cooling*
- *Slow cooling*

Meszaros et al. 1994

- *Line of Death*
- *Both*

Yu et al., 2015



GRB models

Photospheric models

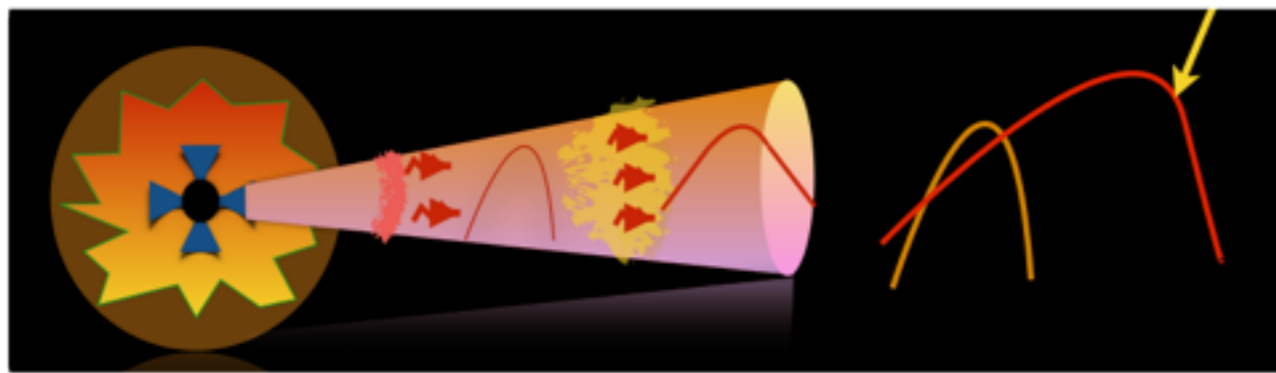
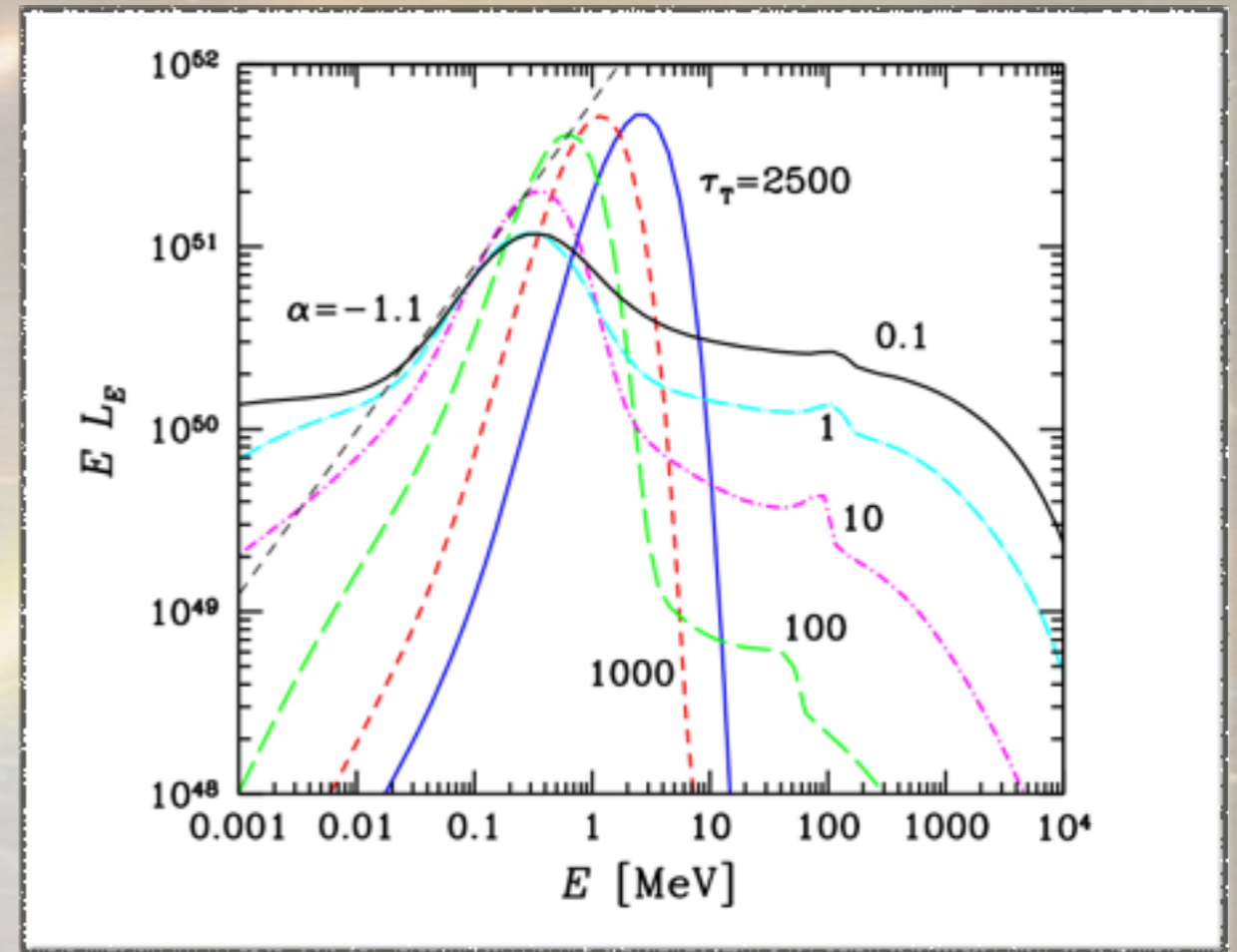
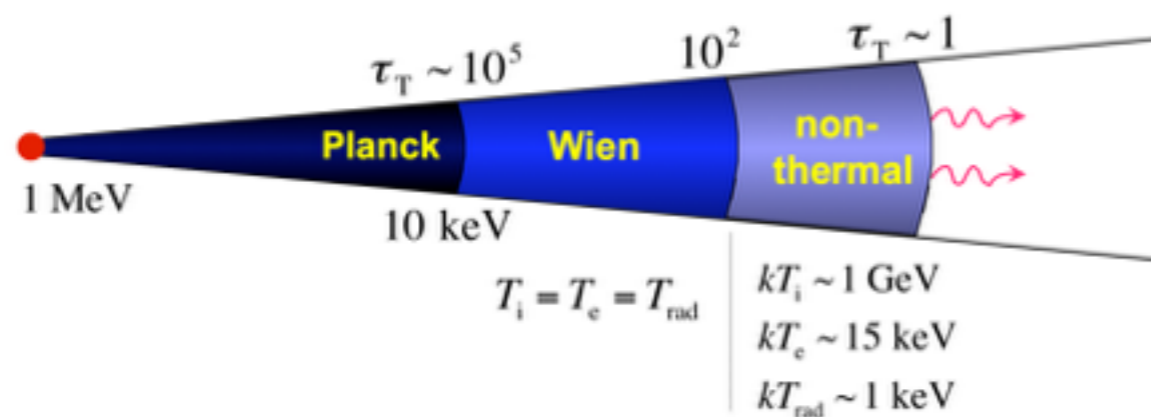


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Vurm and Beloborodov (2016)

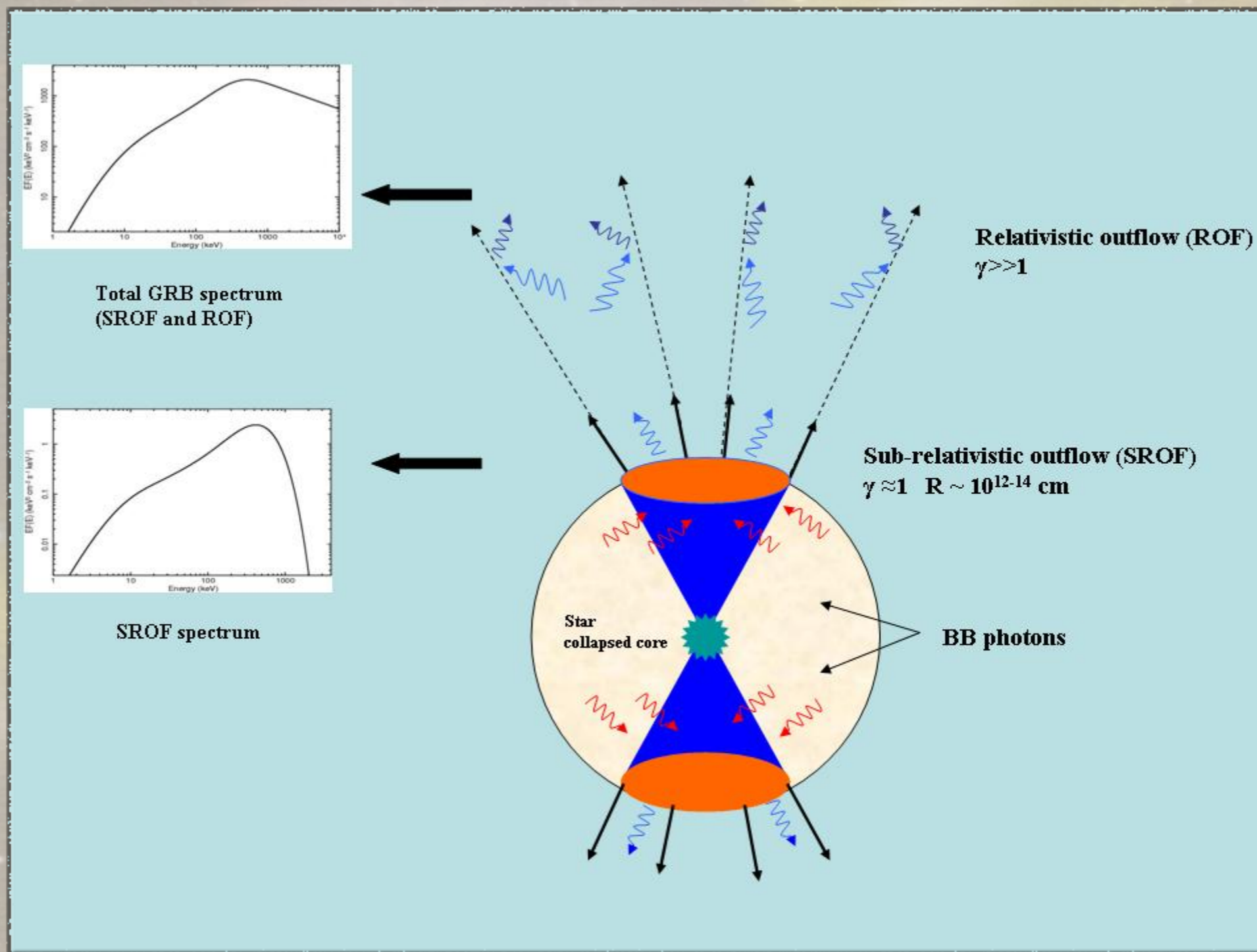


Beloborodov and Meszaros (2017)

- Photosphere + shock
- Dissipation inside a fuzzy photosphere
- Magnetic dissipation (Beniamini and Giannios 2017)

GRB models

Comptonization models

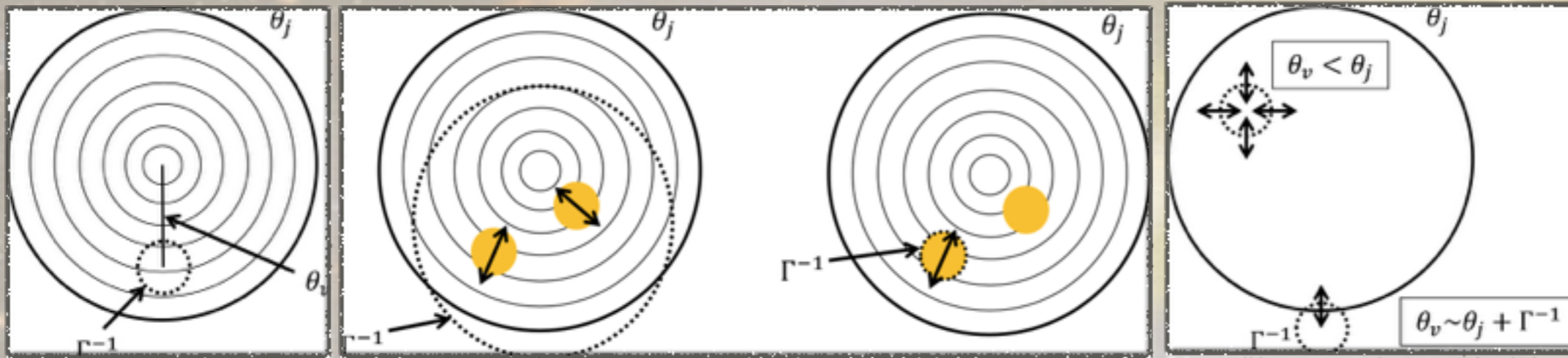


GRB Physics

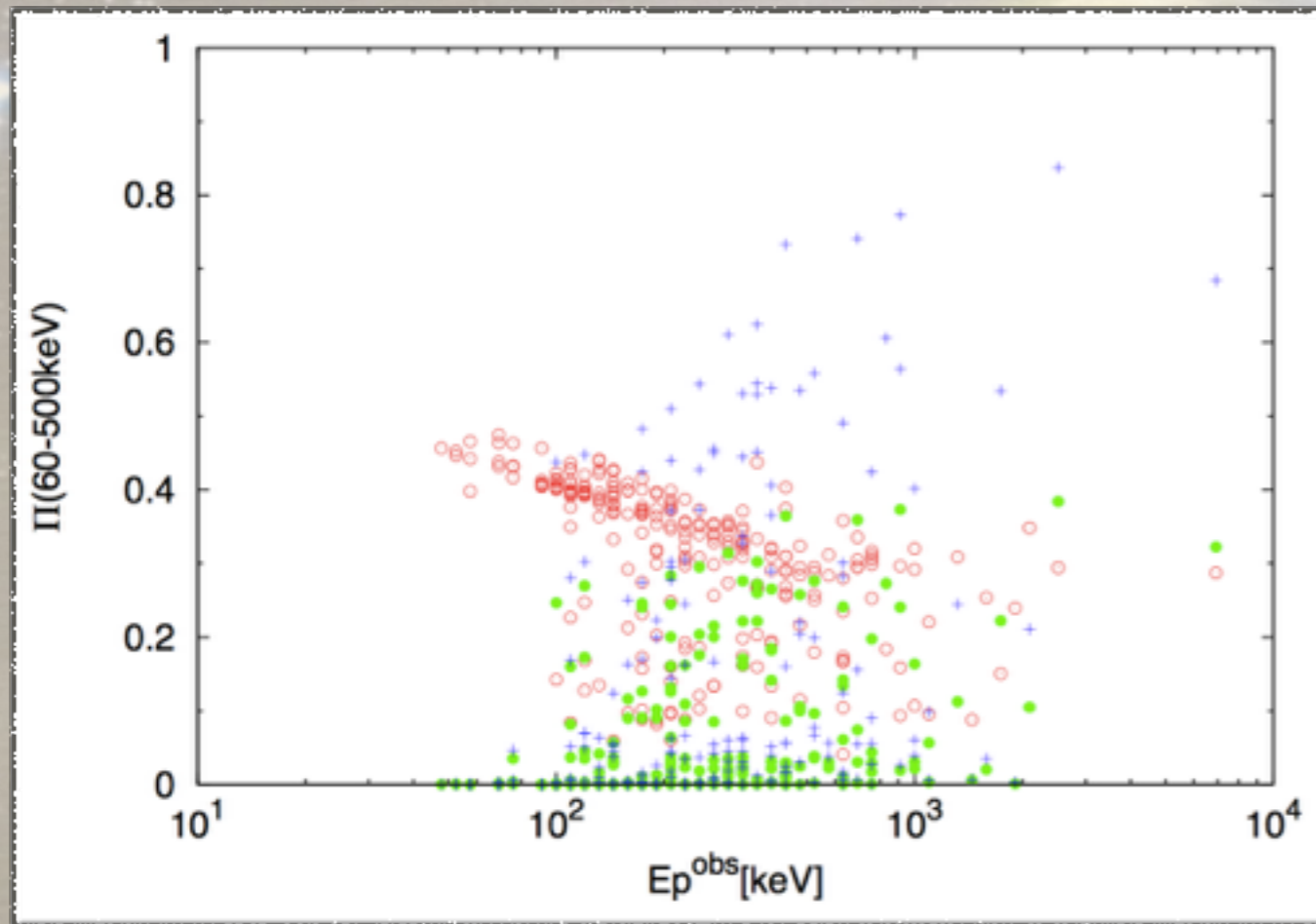
What do we want to answer ?

- *What are the radiation mechanisms producing GRBs in prompt emission?*
- *How is the distribution of electron is non thermal with a low energy cutoff created?*
- *Jets or no jets (fragments)*
- *Geometry of jets*
- *What is the energy reservoir: Thermal, Kinetic or magnetic?*
- *Central engine of GRBs: Black holes or Magnetars?*

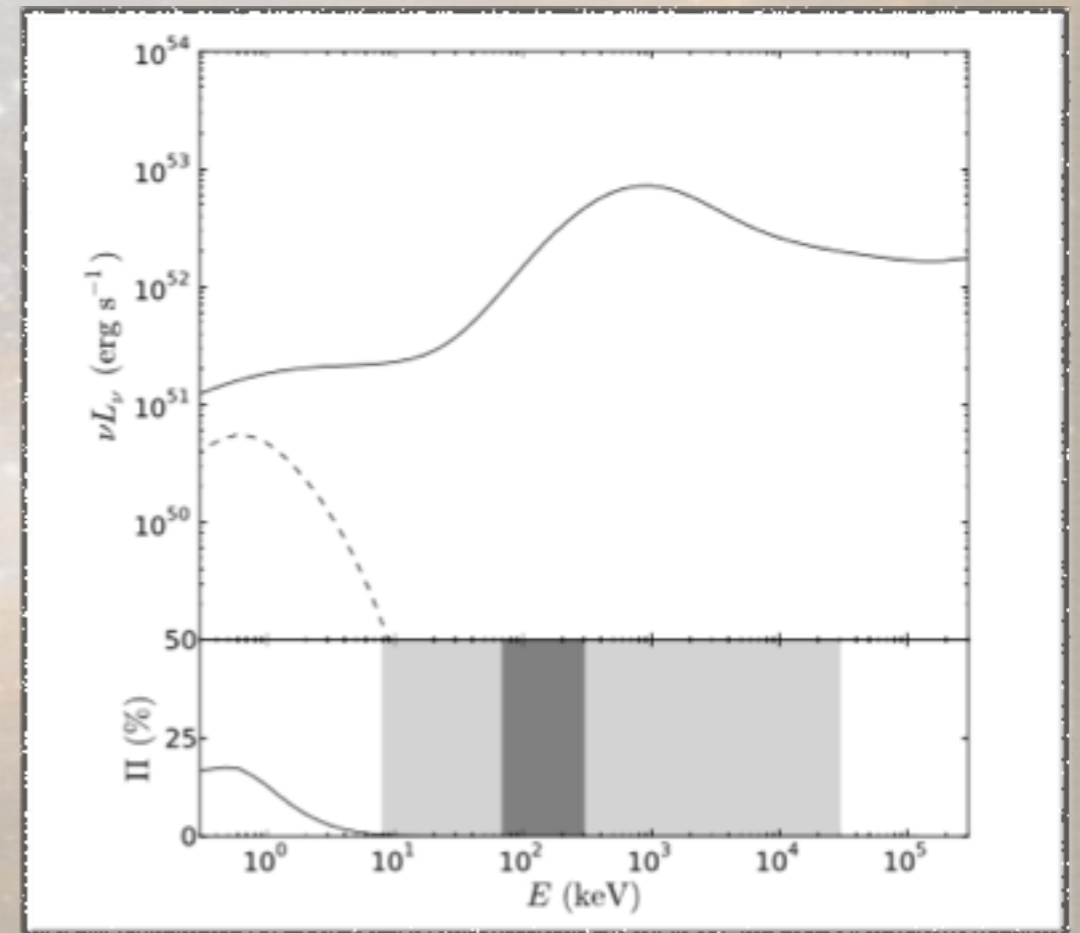
Polarisation in GRBs



Toma et al., 2009



Toma et al., 2009



Lundman 2017

Polarisation Measurements

RHESSI GRB 021206 $P_i = 80 \pm 20\%$

BATSE, INTEGRAL, GAP

Table 2: Summary of recent GRB polarization measurement by IBIS/SPI and GAP.

GRB	Π (68% c.l.)	Peak energy (keV)	Fluence (erg cm^{-2})	Energy Range	Redshift z	Instrument
041291A	$65 \pm 26\%$	201^{+80}_{-41}	2.5×10^{-4}	20–200 keV	$0.31^{+0.54}_{-0.26}$	IBIS, SPI
06122	$>60\%$	188 ± 17	2.0×10^{-5}	20–200 keV	$1.33^{+0.77}_{-0.76}$	IBIS, SPI
100826A	$27 \pm 11\%$	606^{+134}_{-109}	3.0×10^{-4}	20 keV–10 MeV	$0.71\text{--}6.84^1$	GAP
110301A	$70 \pm 22\%$	107 ± 2	3.6×10^{-5}	10 keV–1 MeV	$0.21\text{--}1.09^1$	GAP
110721	$84^{+16}_{-28}\%$	393^{+199}_{-104}	3.5×10^{-4}	10 keV–1 MeV	$0.45\text{--}3.12^1$	GAP
140206A	$>48\%$	98 ± 17	2.0×10^{-5}	15–350 keV	2.739 ± 0.001	IBIS

¹ redshift based on empirical prompt emission correlations, not on afterglow observations.

Source: Covino and Diego, 2016

High polarisation measured for prompt emission

- *Synchrotron emission or Inverse Compton scattering*

AstroSat/CZTI Observations

Table 2. Table for polarization

GRB Name	Compton events	PF (%)	PA (°)
GRB 151006A	459	<62	-31.0±12.8°
GRB 160106A	950	68.5±24	-22.5±12.0°
GRB 160131A	724	94±31	41.2±5.0°
GRB 160325A	835	58.75±23.5	10.9±17.0°
GRB 160509A	460	96±40	-28.6±11.0°
GRB 160607A	447	<63	-42.0±24.0°
GRB 160623A	1400	<35	-4.0±27.0°
GRB 160703A	448	<45	-47.9±6.0°
GRB 160802A	901	85±29	-36.1±4.6°
GRB 160821A	2549	48.7±14.6	-34.0±5.0°
GRB 160910A	832	93.7±30.92	43.5±4.0°

Chattopadhyay et al., 2017

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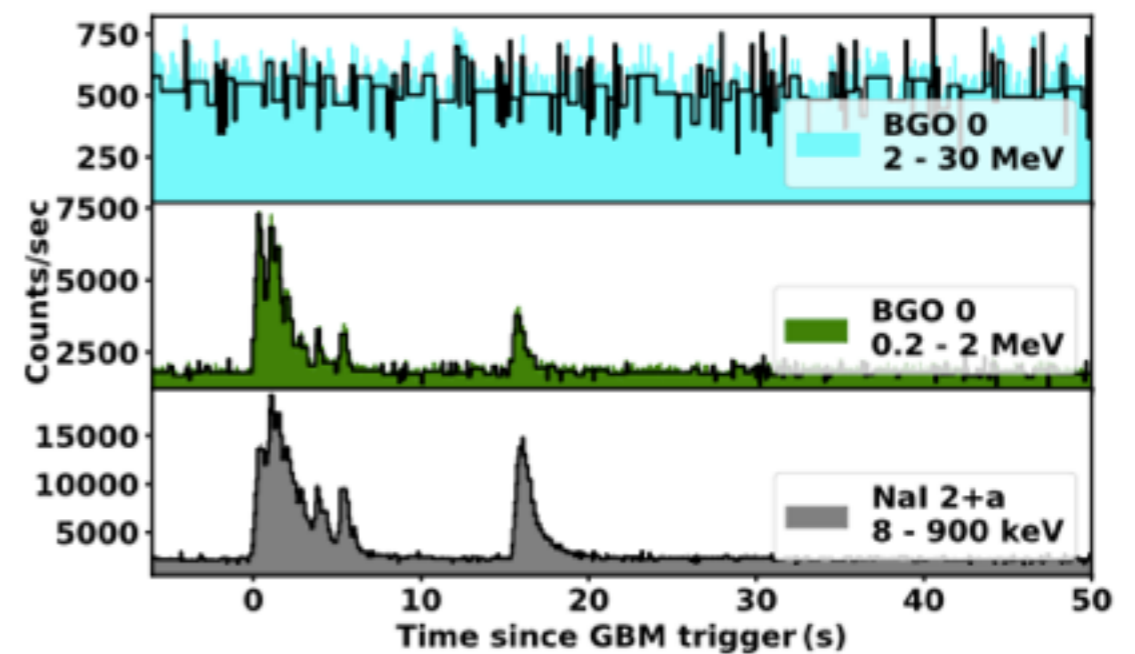
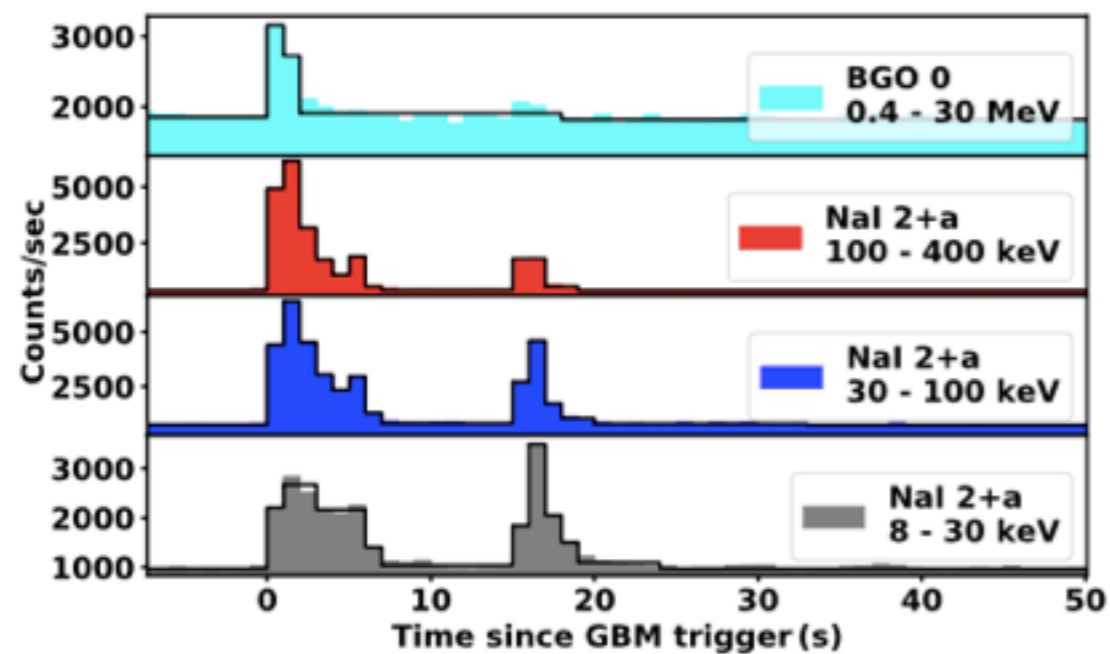
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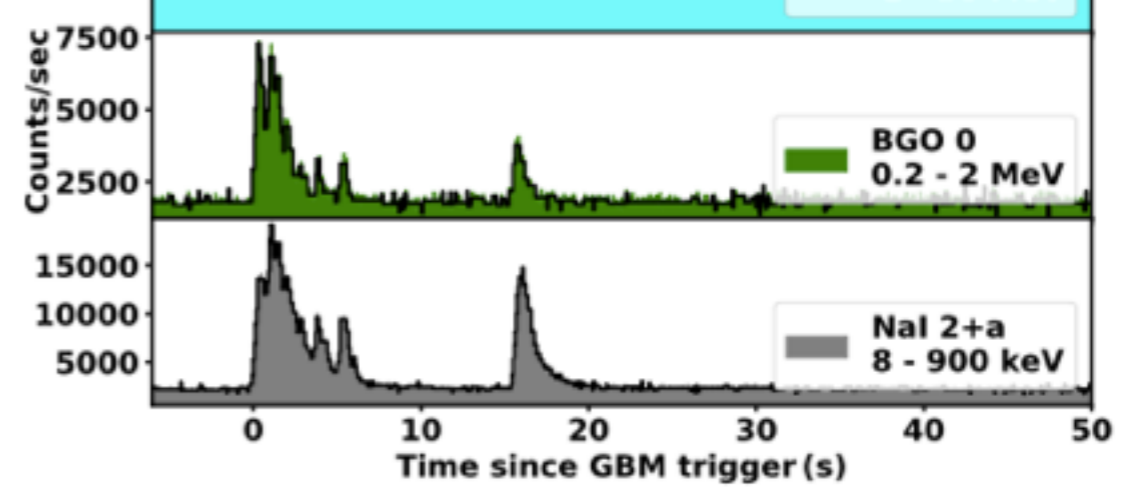
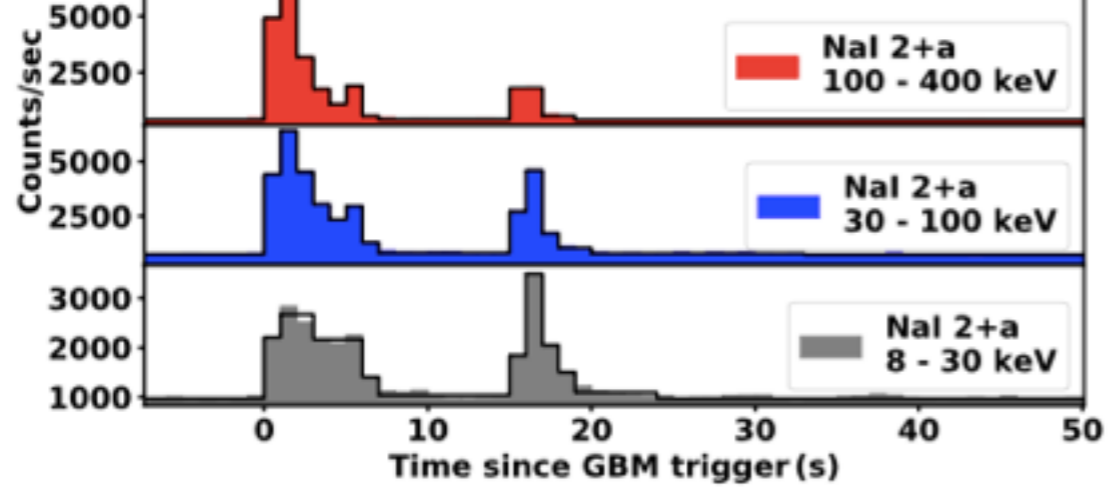
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The spectrum in general shows a hard-to-soft evolution in both episodes. Only the later part of the first episode shows intensity tracking behaviour corresponding to multiple pulses. The photon index of the spectrum is hard, and in over 90 percent cases, cross even the slow cooling limit ($\alpha = -2/3$) of an optically thin synchrotron shock model (SSM). Though such hard values are generally associated with a subdominant thermal emission, such a component is not statistically required in our analysis. In addition, the measured polarisation in 100–300 keV is too high, $\pi = 85 \pm 29\%$, to be accommodated in such a scenario. Jitter radiation, which allows a much harder index up to $\alpha = 0.5$, in principle can produce high polarisation but only beyond the spectral peak, which in our case lies close to 200–300 keV during the time when most of the polarisation signal is obtained. The spectre-polarimetric data seems to be consistent with a subphotospheric dissipation process occurring within a narrow jet with a sharp drop in emissivity beyond the jet edge, and viewed along its boundary.

Keywords: gamma-ray burst: general – gamma-ray burst: individual (GRB160802A) – polarization – radiation mechanisms: non-thermal

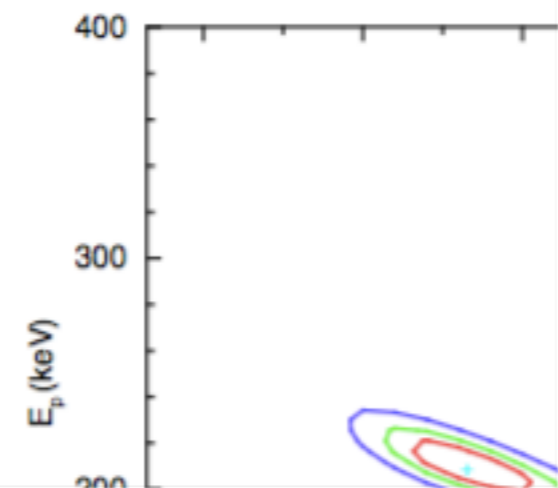
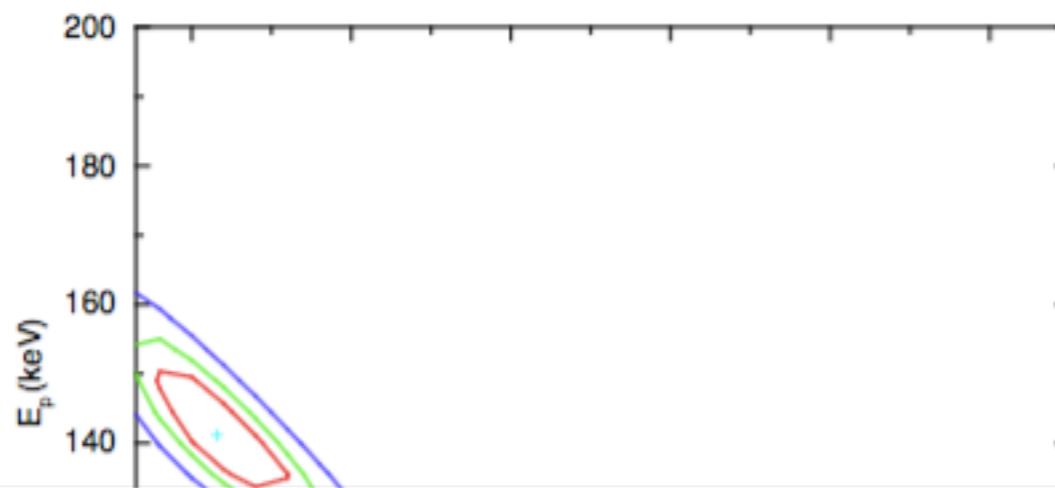
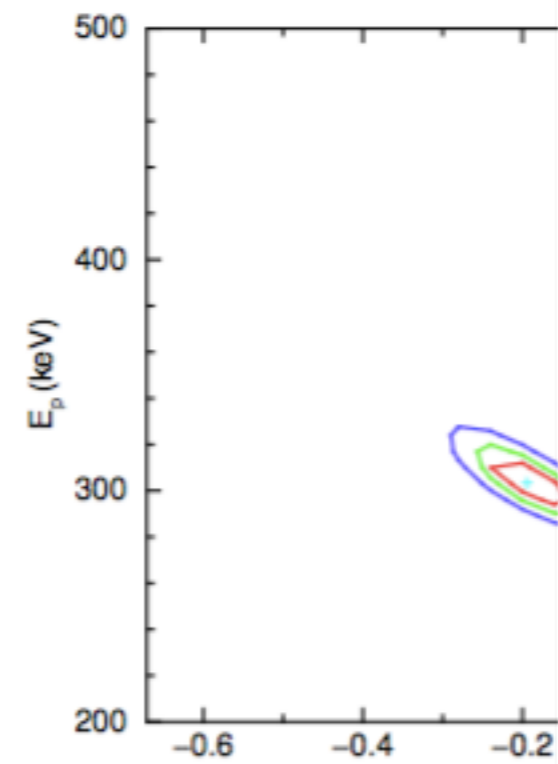
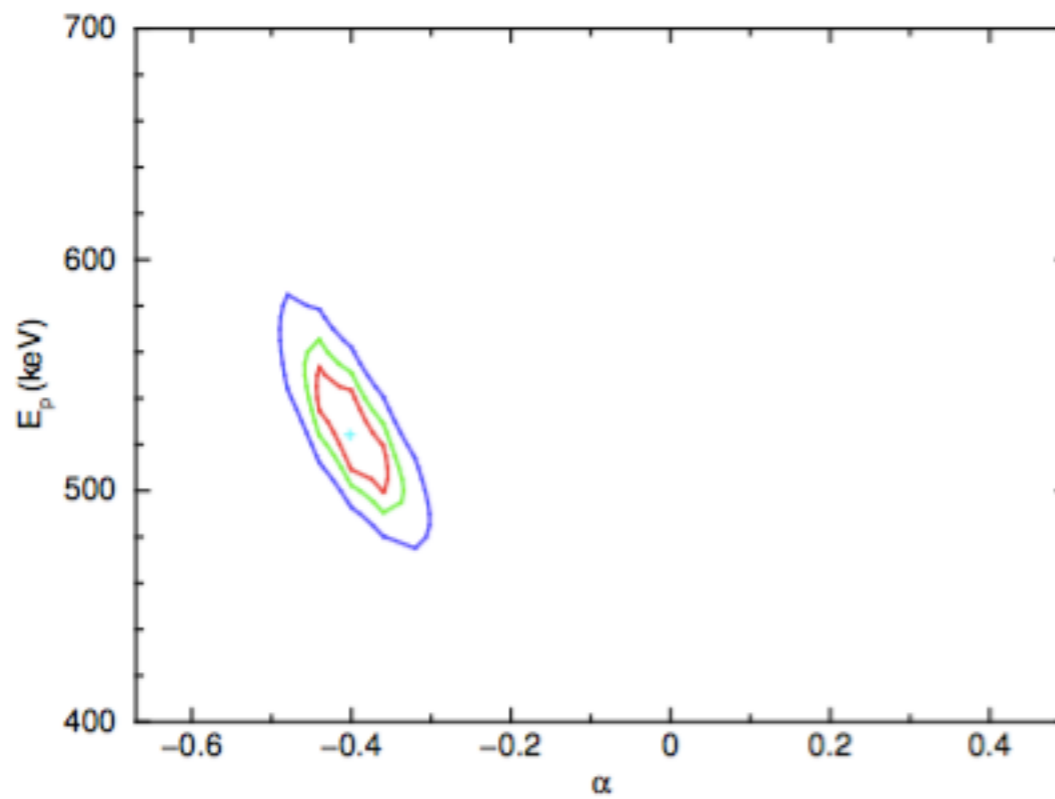
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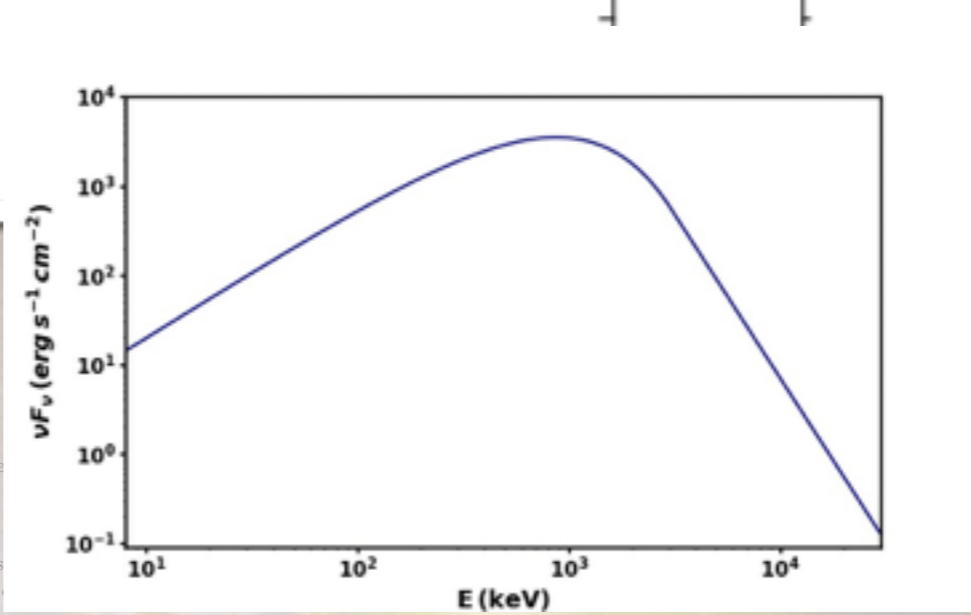
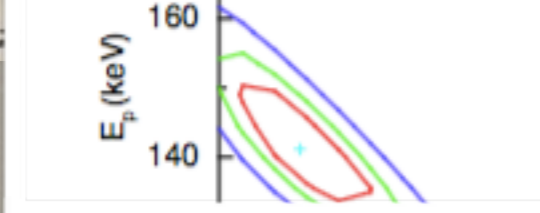
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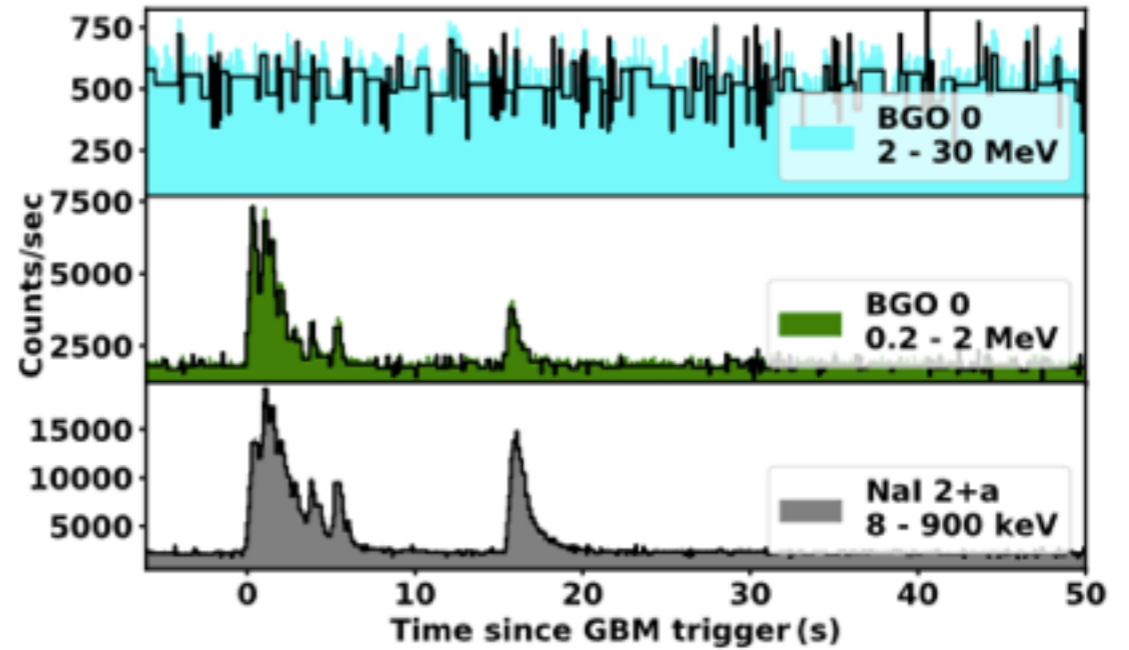
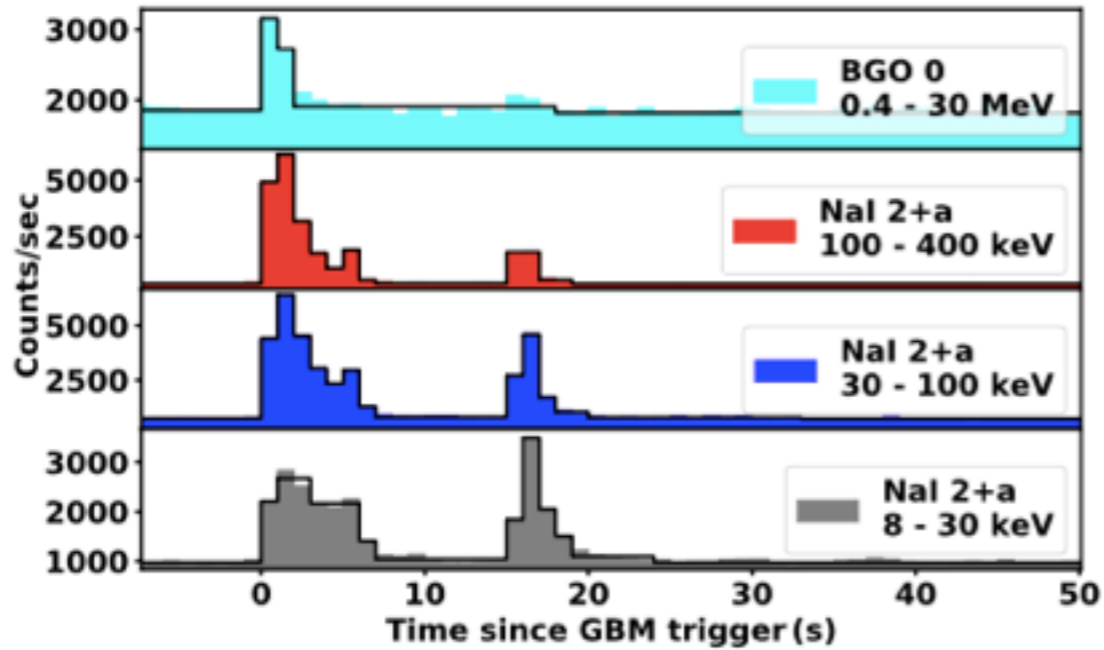
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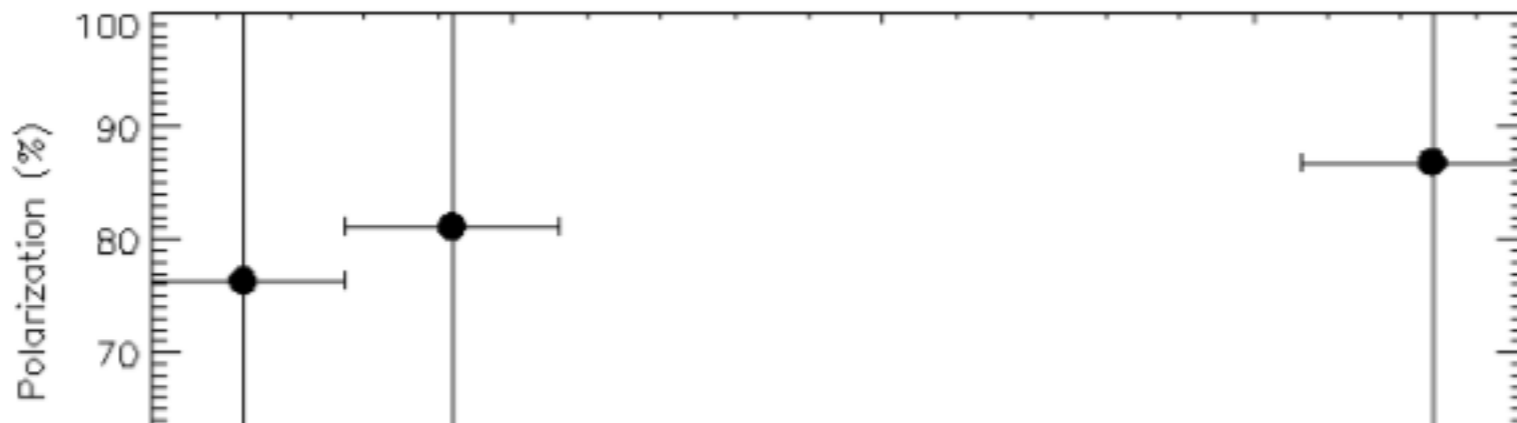


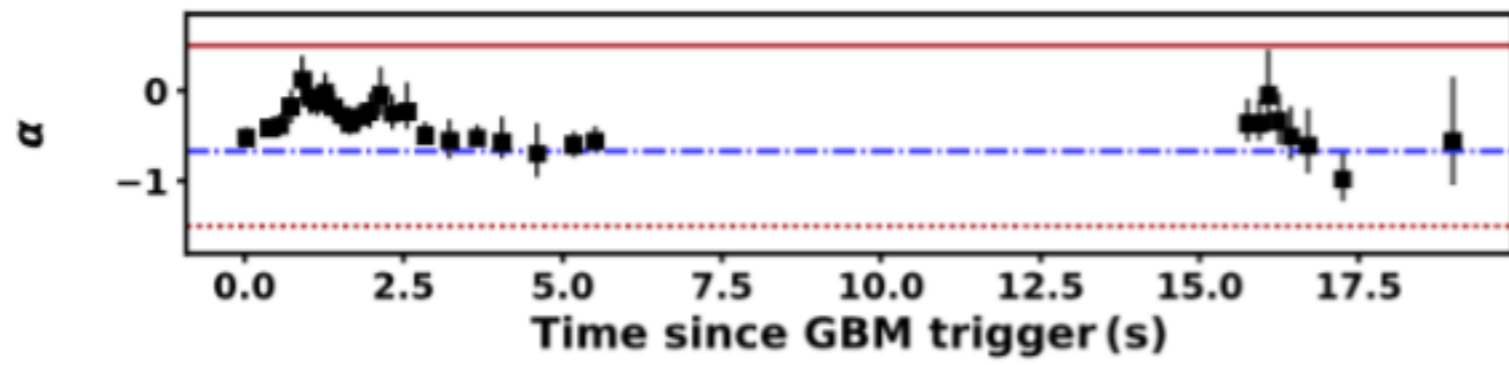
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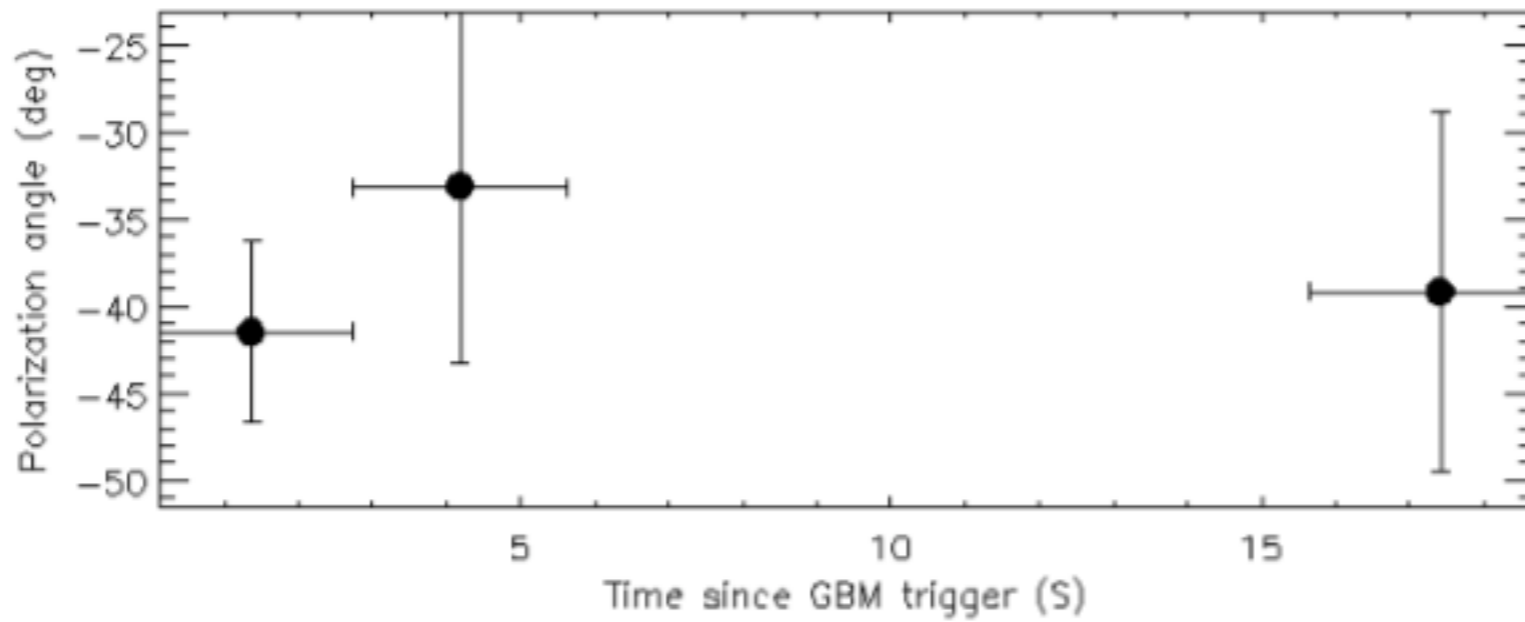
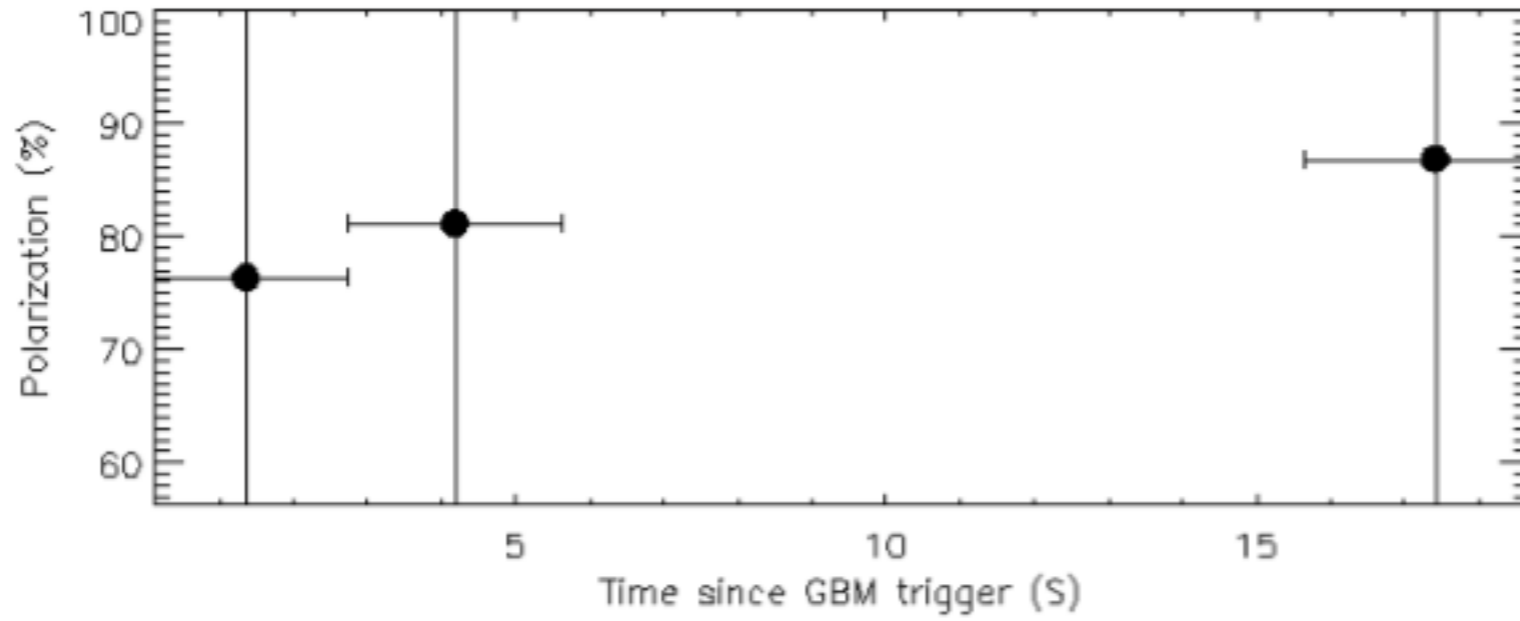
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GRB 160802A conclusions

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- *Hard low energy index inconsistent with SSM*
- *Burst is not observed much off axis as then it should be dominated by high latitude radiation which is much softer*

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- *Subphotospheric dissipation - low polarisation*

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- *Jitter radiation can give larger polarisation, however at energies beyond E_p , around spectral peak polarisation $\leq 40\%$*

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- *Viewing geometry*

- *Very narrow jet viewed along its edge*

- *Sharp drop in the jet edge otherwise high latitude emission will soften the spectrum*

- *Cutoff in energy jet ~ 1 degree (lowest deduced from jet breaks)*

GRB 160802A is one of the brightest gamma-ray bursts (GRBs) observed with *Fermi* Gamma-ray Burst Monitor (GBM) in the energy range 10–1000 keV, while the burst is very faint in energies > 2 MeV. An observation with *Astrosat*/CZT Imager (CZTI) also provides the polarisation which helps in constraining different prompt emission models using the novel joint spectra-polarimetric data. The burst shows two separate episodes with the second one particularly faint in higher energies. The spectrum in general shows a hard-to-soft evolution in both episodes. Only the later part of the first episode exhibits a hard-to-soft evolution. The photon index of the peak in the first episode is ~ -1.5 , which is much harder than the softening limit ($\alpha = -2/3$) of an optically thin synchrotron shock model (SSM). Though such hard values are generally associated with a subdominant thermal emission, such a component is not statistically required in our analysis. However, the presence of a thermal component is not ruled out. Jitter radiation, which allows a much harder index up to $\alpha = 0$, in principle can produce high polarisation but only beyond the spectral peak, which in our case lies close to 200–300 keV during the first episode. The polarisation signal is obtained. The spectro-polarimetric analysis shows that the jet is viewed along its edge, and viewed along its boundary.

Keywords: gamma-ray burst; general gamma-ray burst; individual (GRB160802A) – polarization –

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VARIABLE PROMPT EMISSION POLARIZATION OF GAMMA RAY BURST GRB 171010A DETECTED WITH ASTROSAT/CZTI

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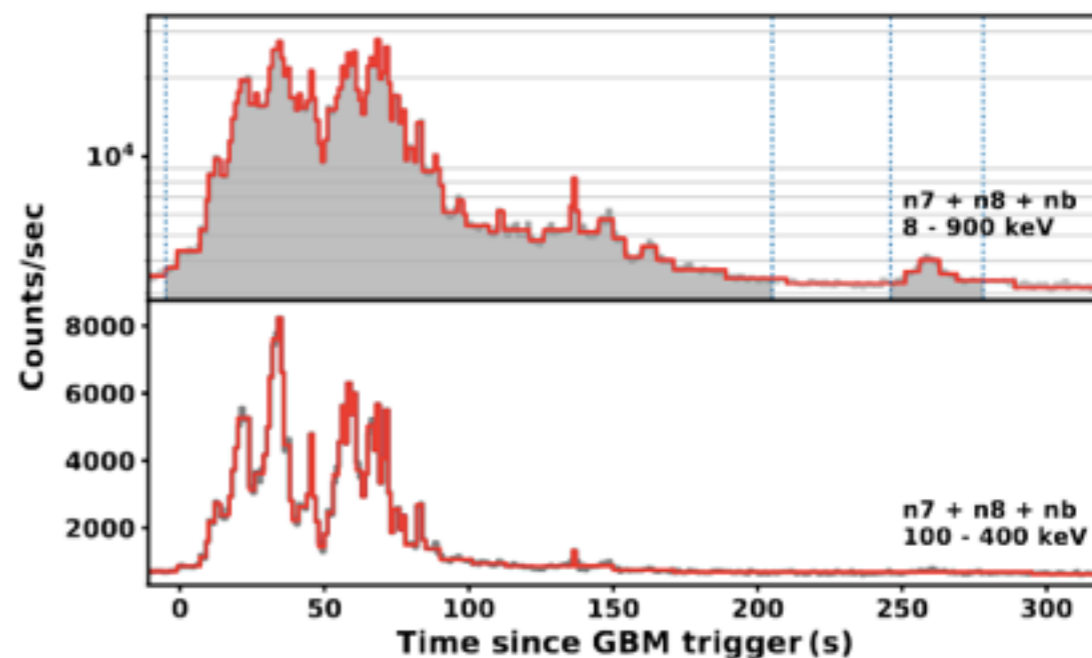
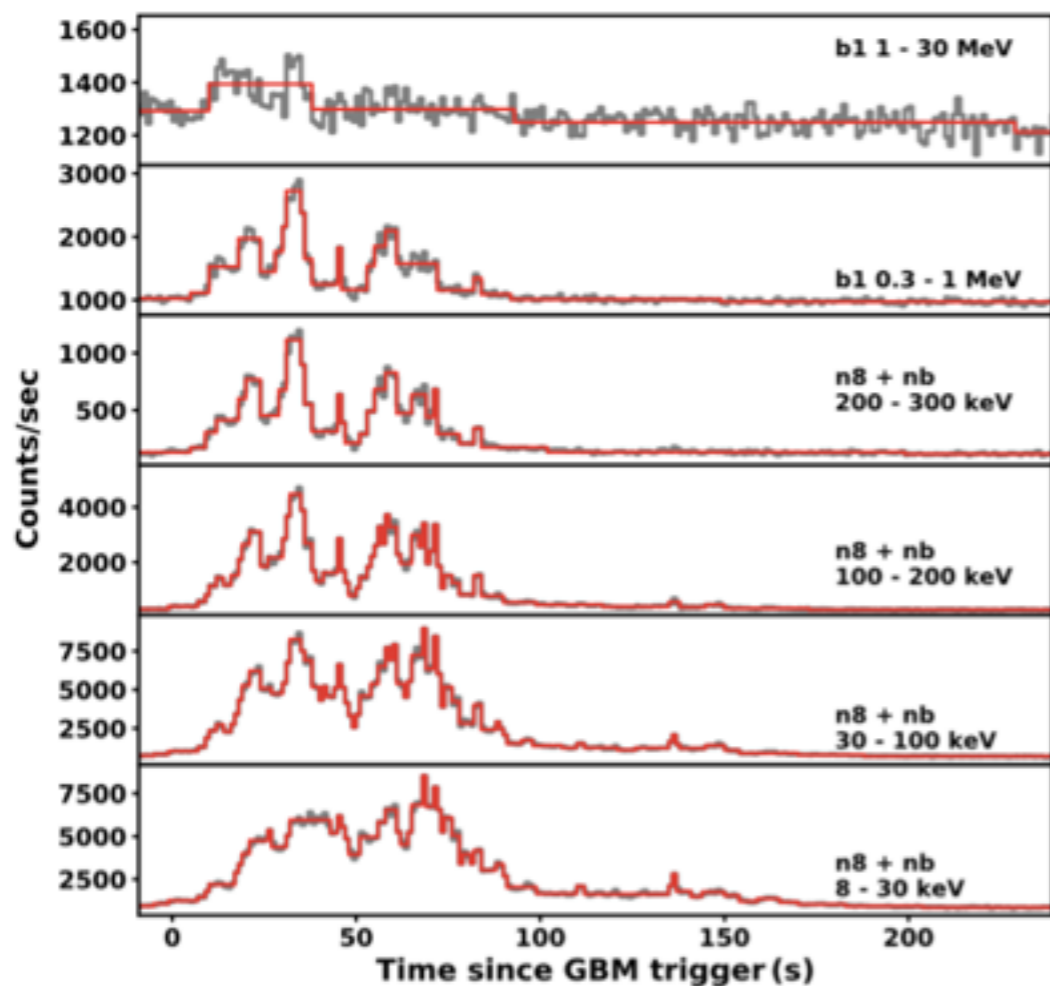
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analyzing the Compton double scattering events. Multiple scattering events among the GRBs detected by polarization. There is, however, a hint that the burst is polarized at higher energies. The polarization is to reconcile these diverse information by invoking emission is produced in multiple shocks with random example where a combined study of the prompt emission polarization brings a new dawn in GRB

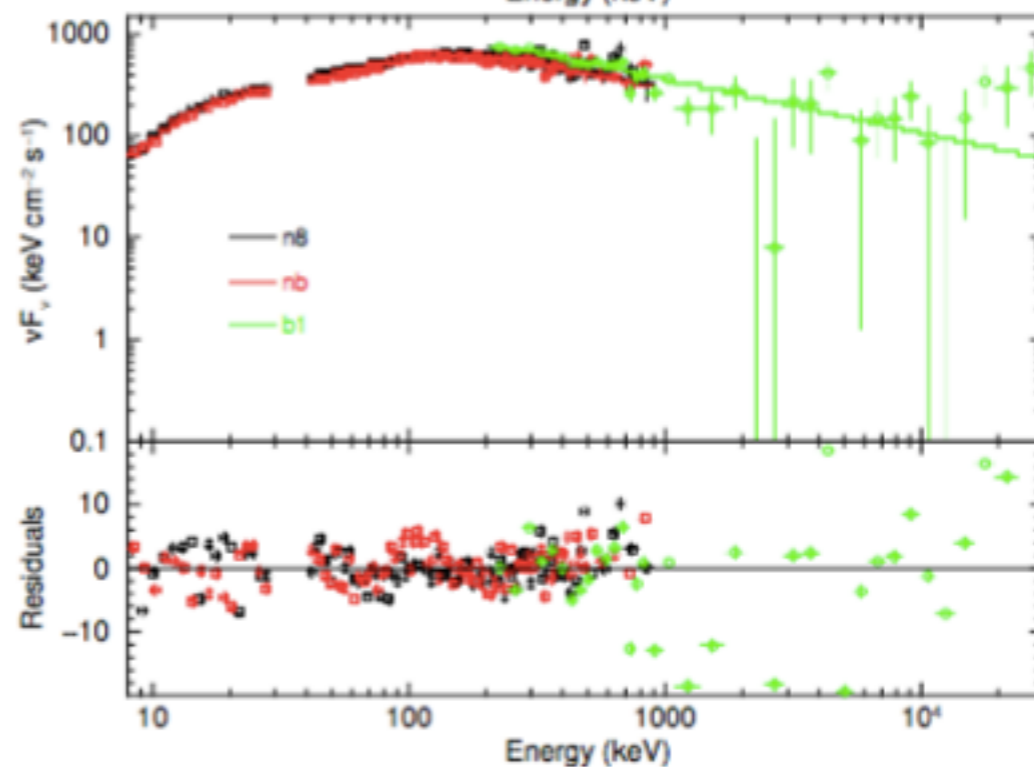
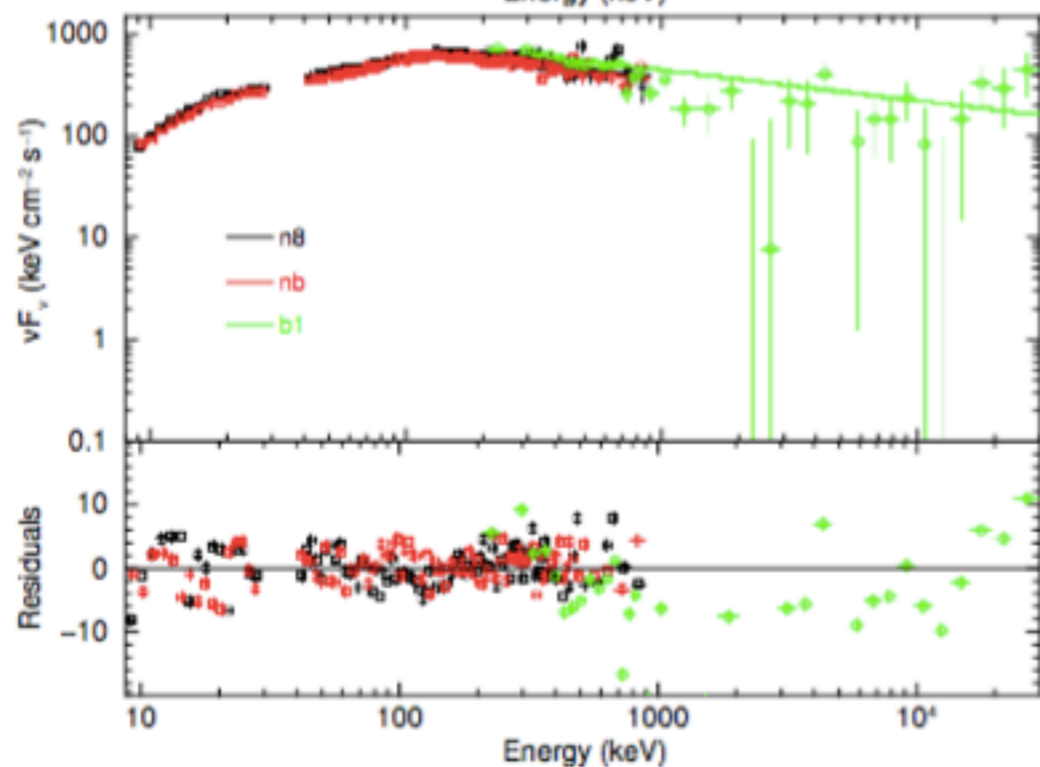
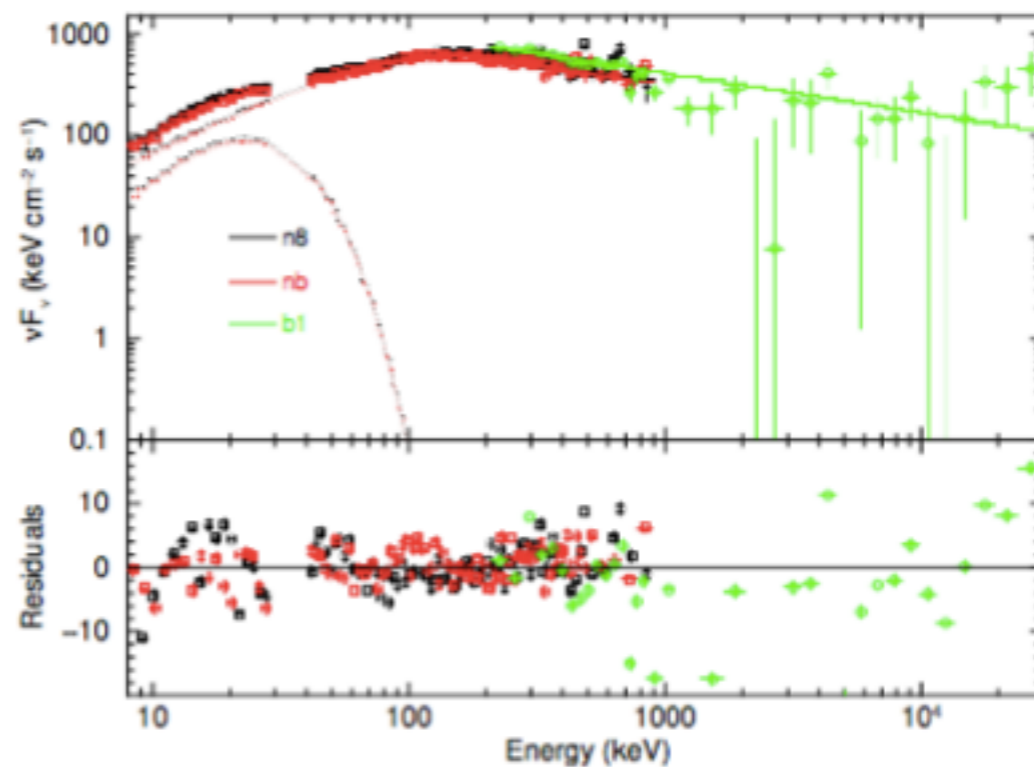
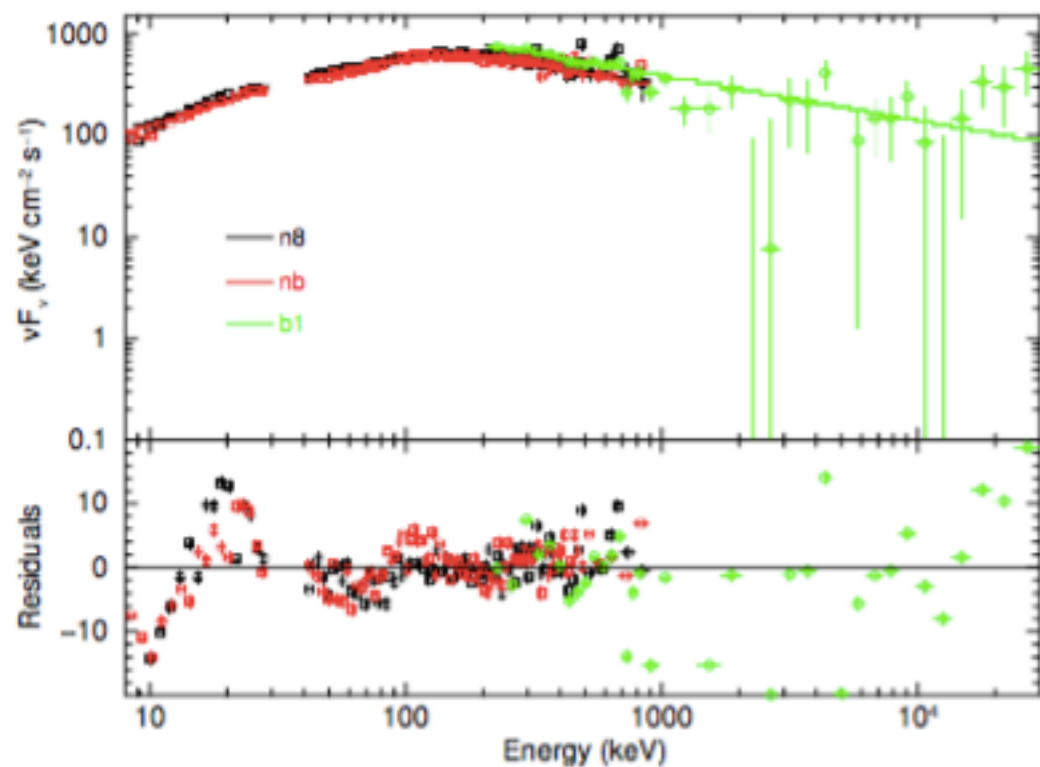
burst: individual (GRB171010A) - polarization -

radiation mechanism: non-thermal

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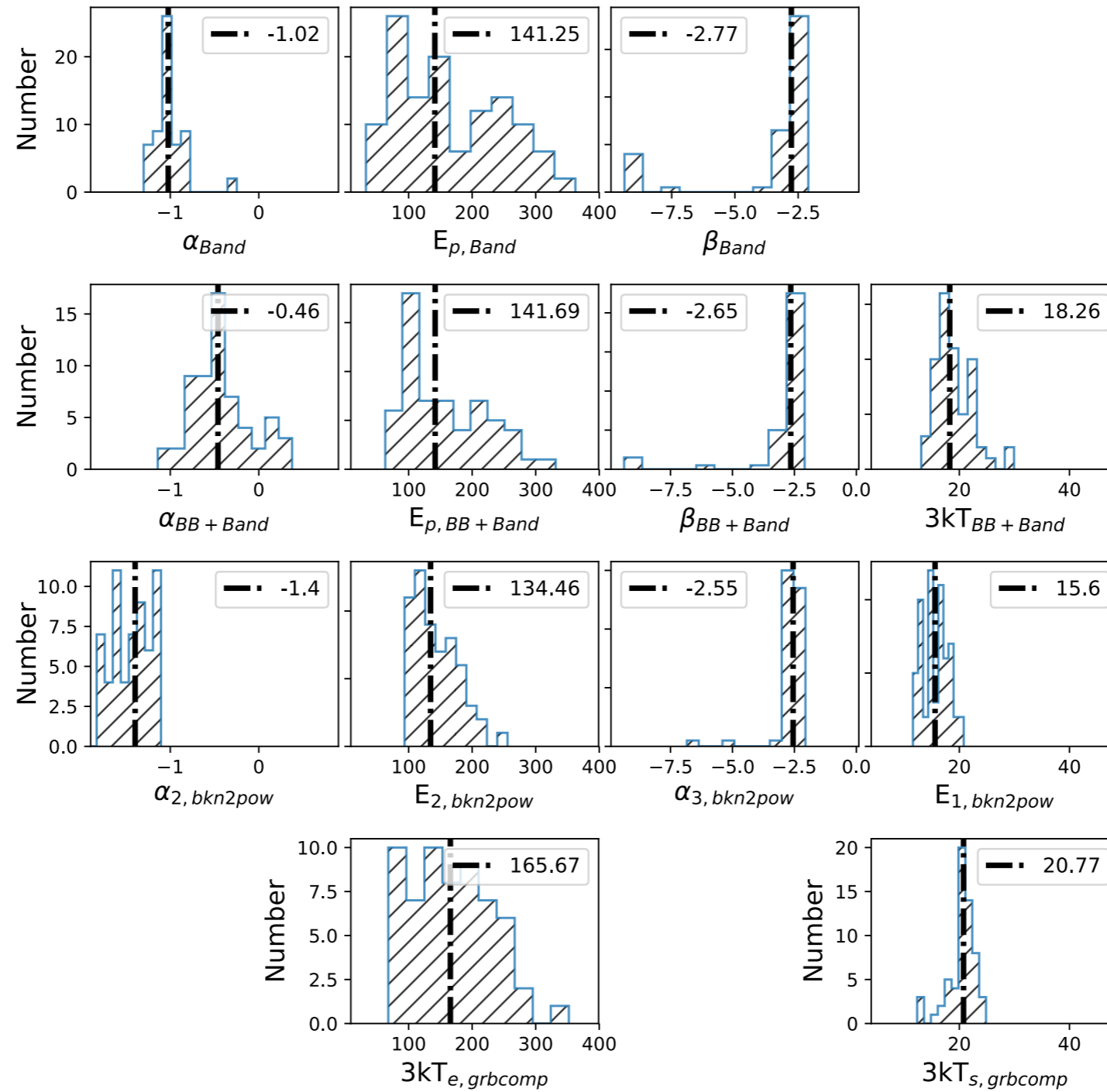
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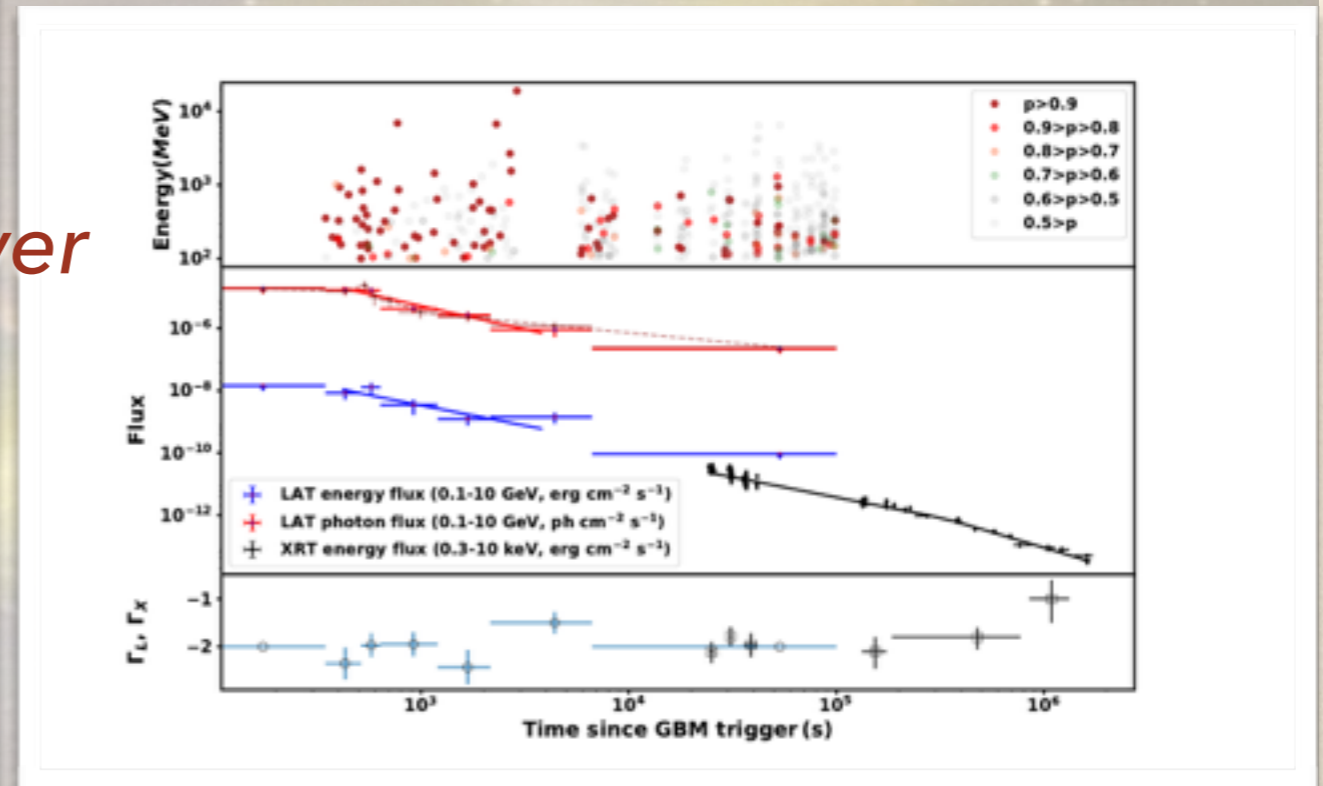
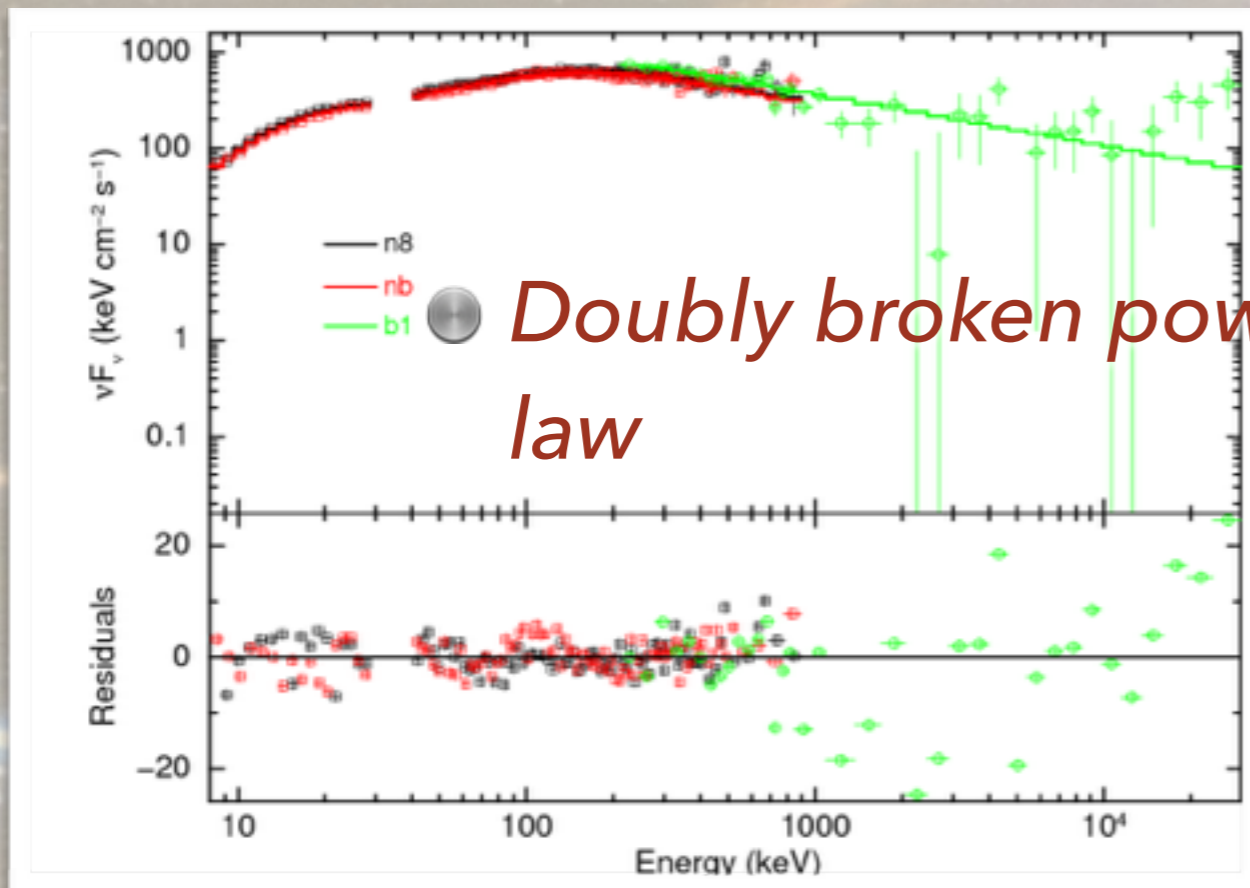
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$$\alpha_L = -1.37 \pm 0.45 \text{ and } \beta_L = -1.0 \pm 0.1$$

● Comptonization model

● LAT and XRT

● Detection of an associated SN

● Afterglows detection: Lorentz factor > 330 (beaming angle = 0.17 degree and jet opening angle = 6.3 degree)

Polarisation measurements and variability in polarisation

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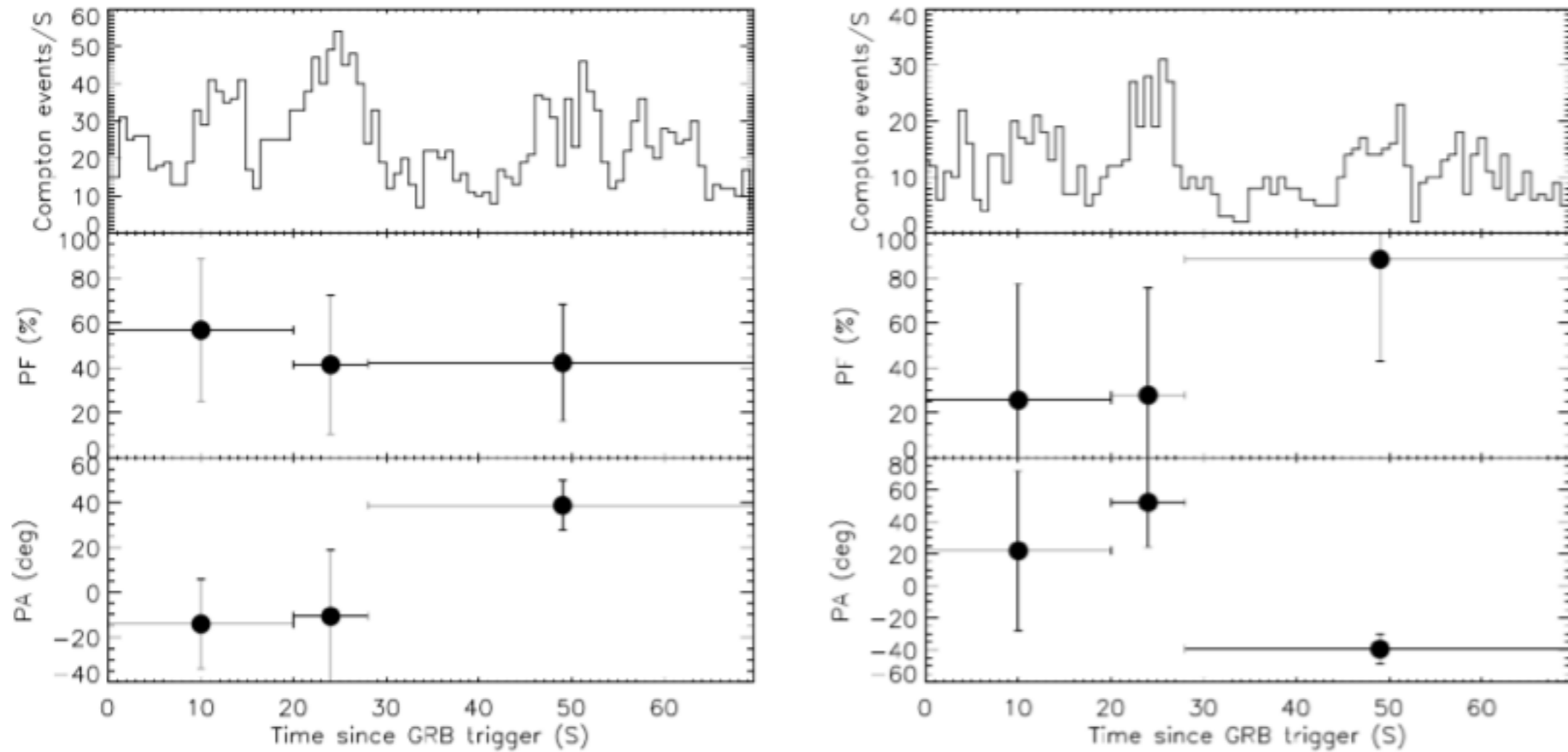


Figure 15. Compton light curve (top), polarization fraction (middle) and angle (bottom) for three different time intervals during the prompt emission of GRB 171010A in 100 — 200 keV (left) and 200 — 300 keV (right).

GRB 171010A conclusions

- *Spectrum can be modelled by doubly broken power law, Synchrotron radiation*
- *Low Polarisation: high Lorentz factor: Random magnetic field at small scales (compared with beaming angle)*
- *Polarisation variation: multiple fragments of fireballs*
- *Polarisation variation with energy: angular effect and dominance of fragments at different energies*
- *Comptonization model can also explain low polarisation*

Other Sources

● 170304A

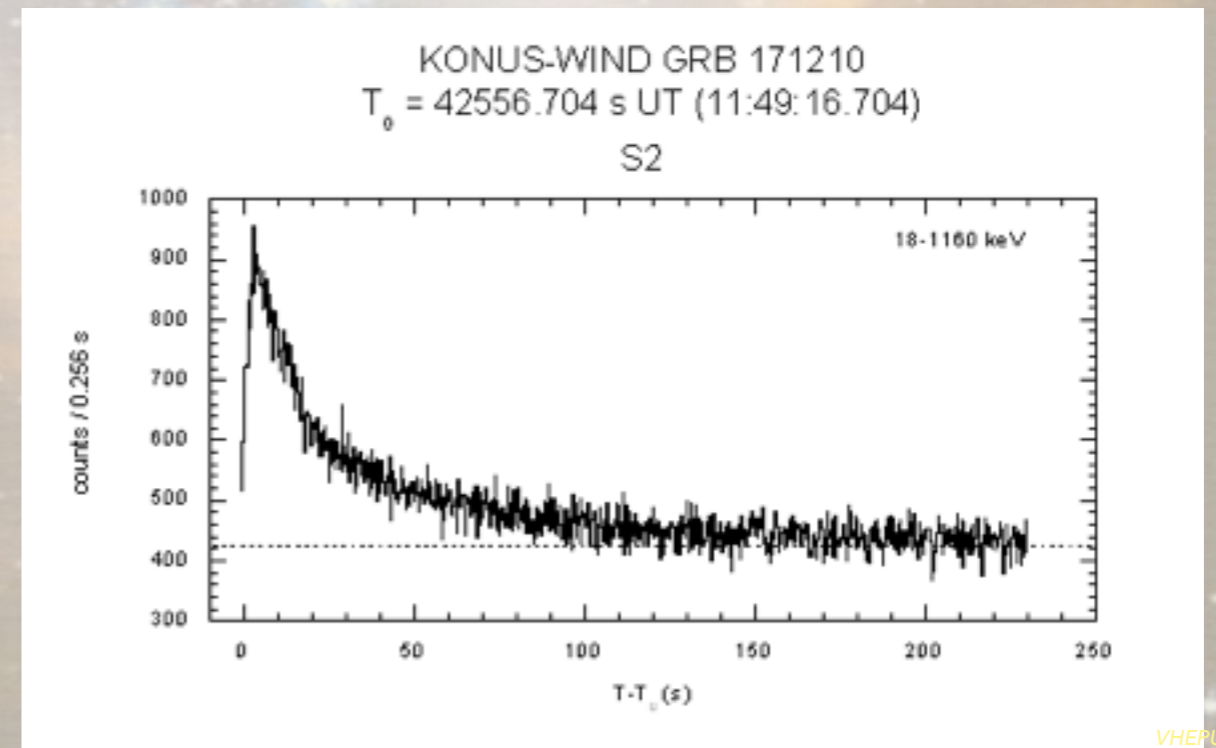
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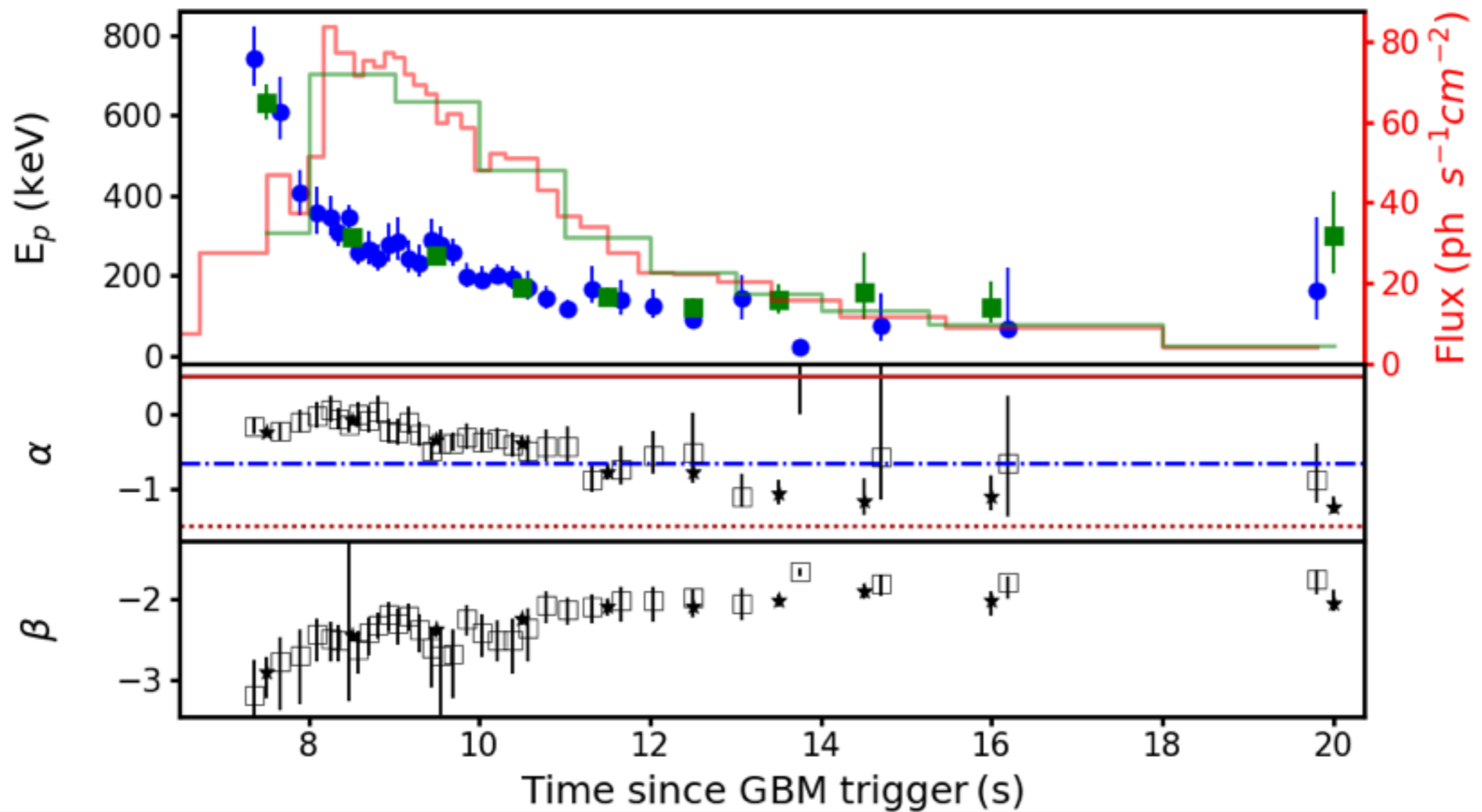
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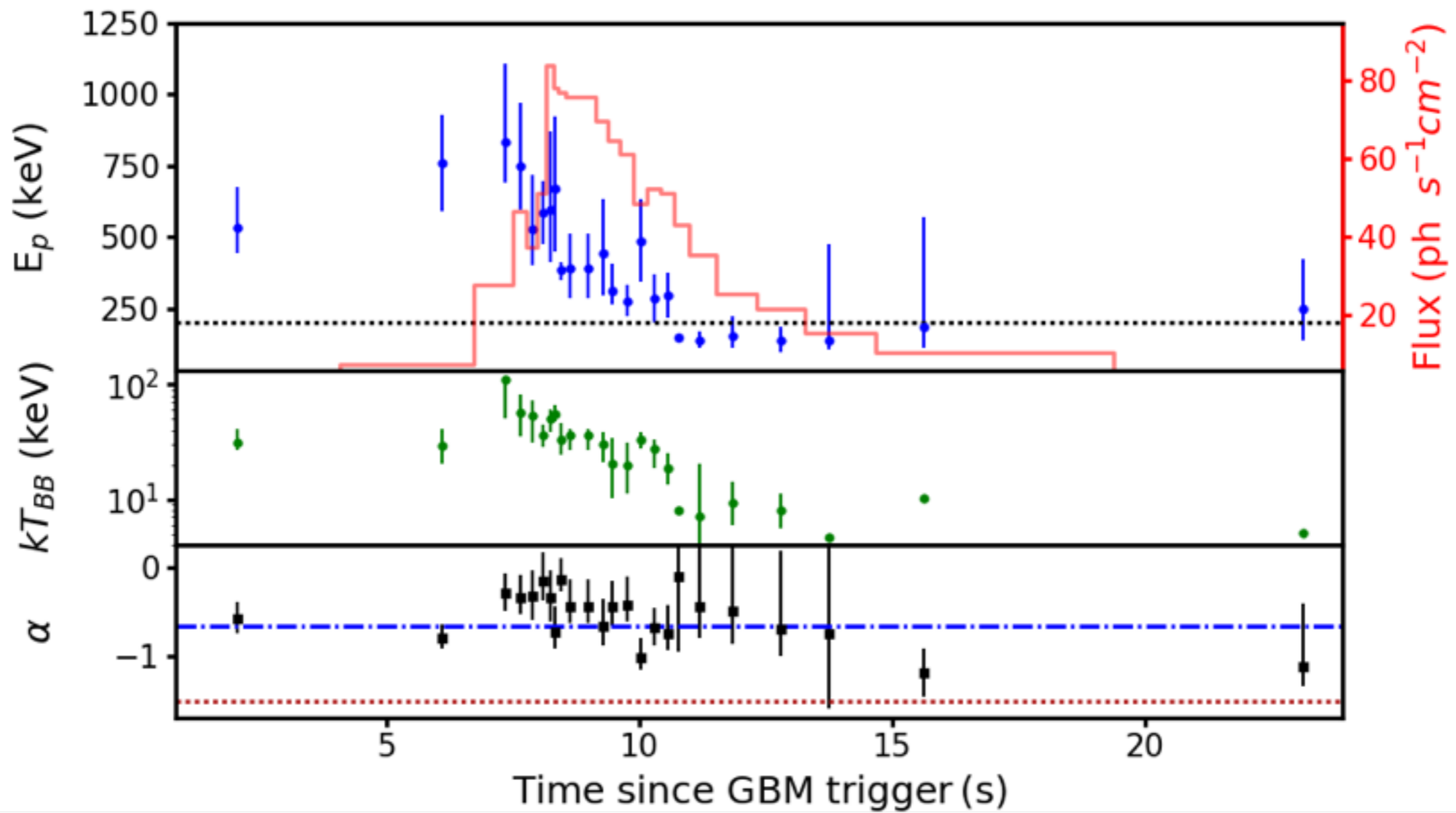
● 161015A



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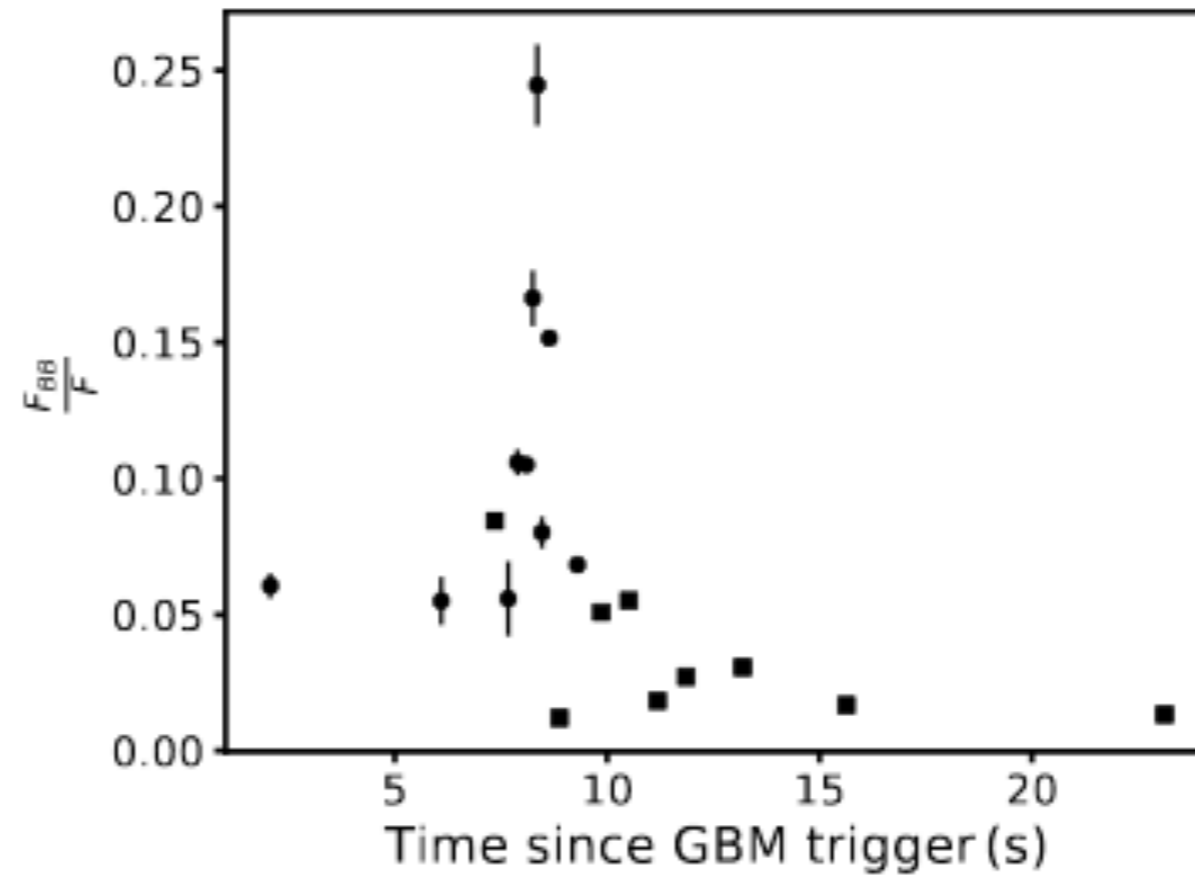
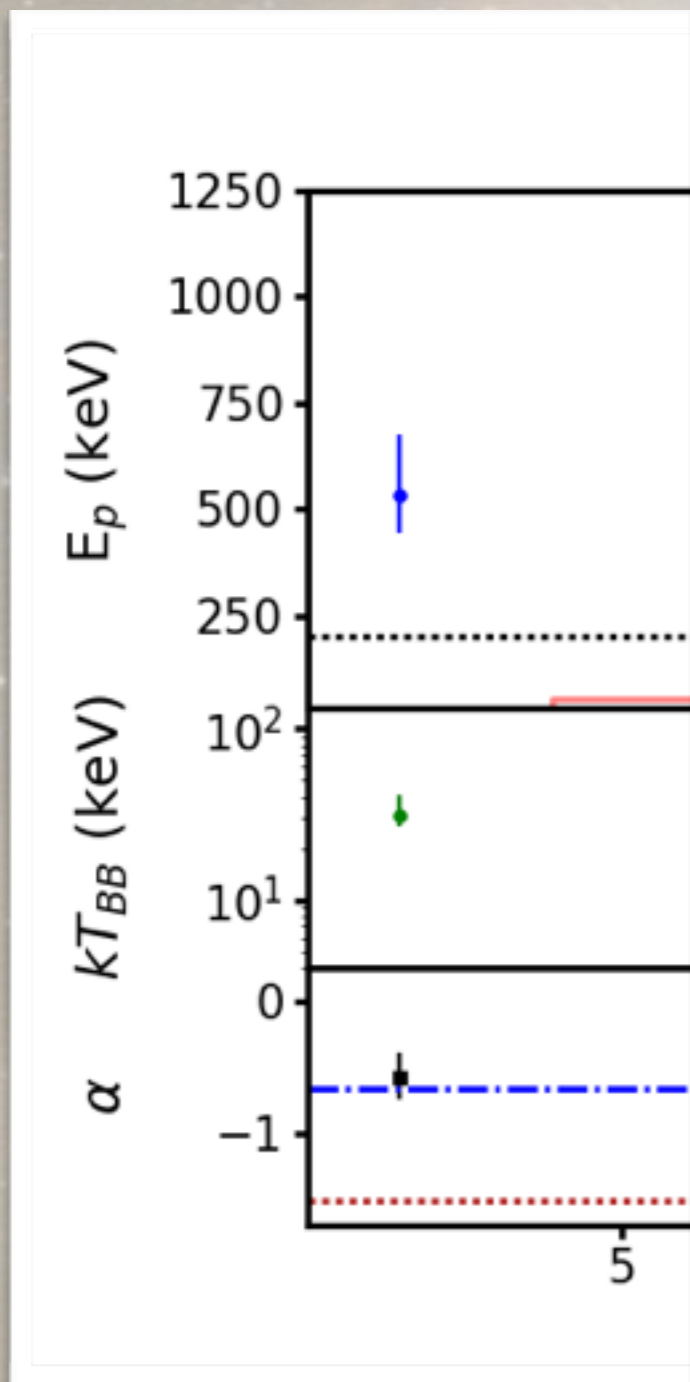
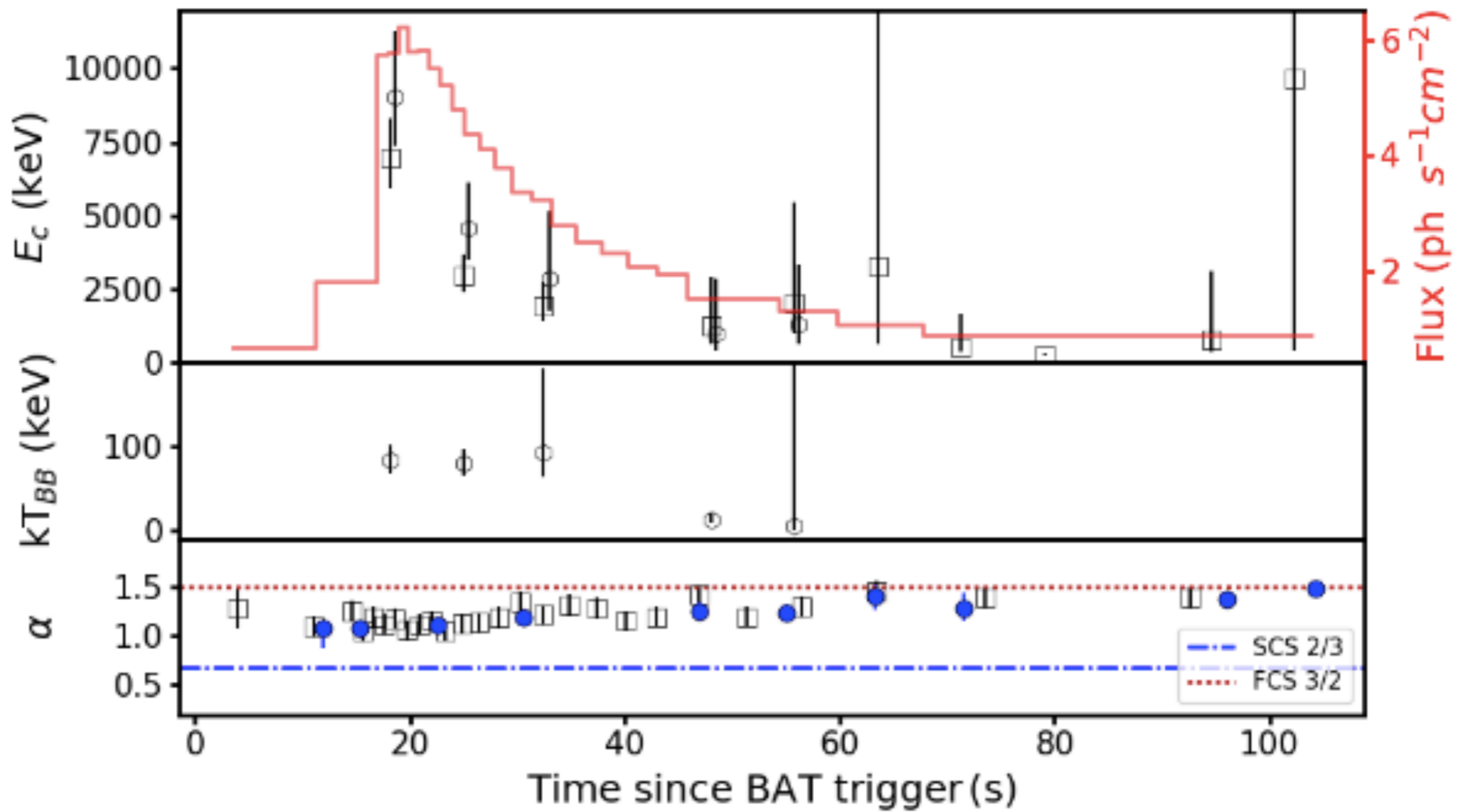
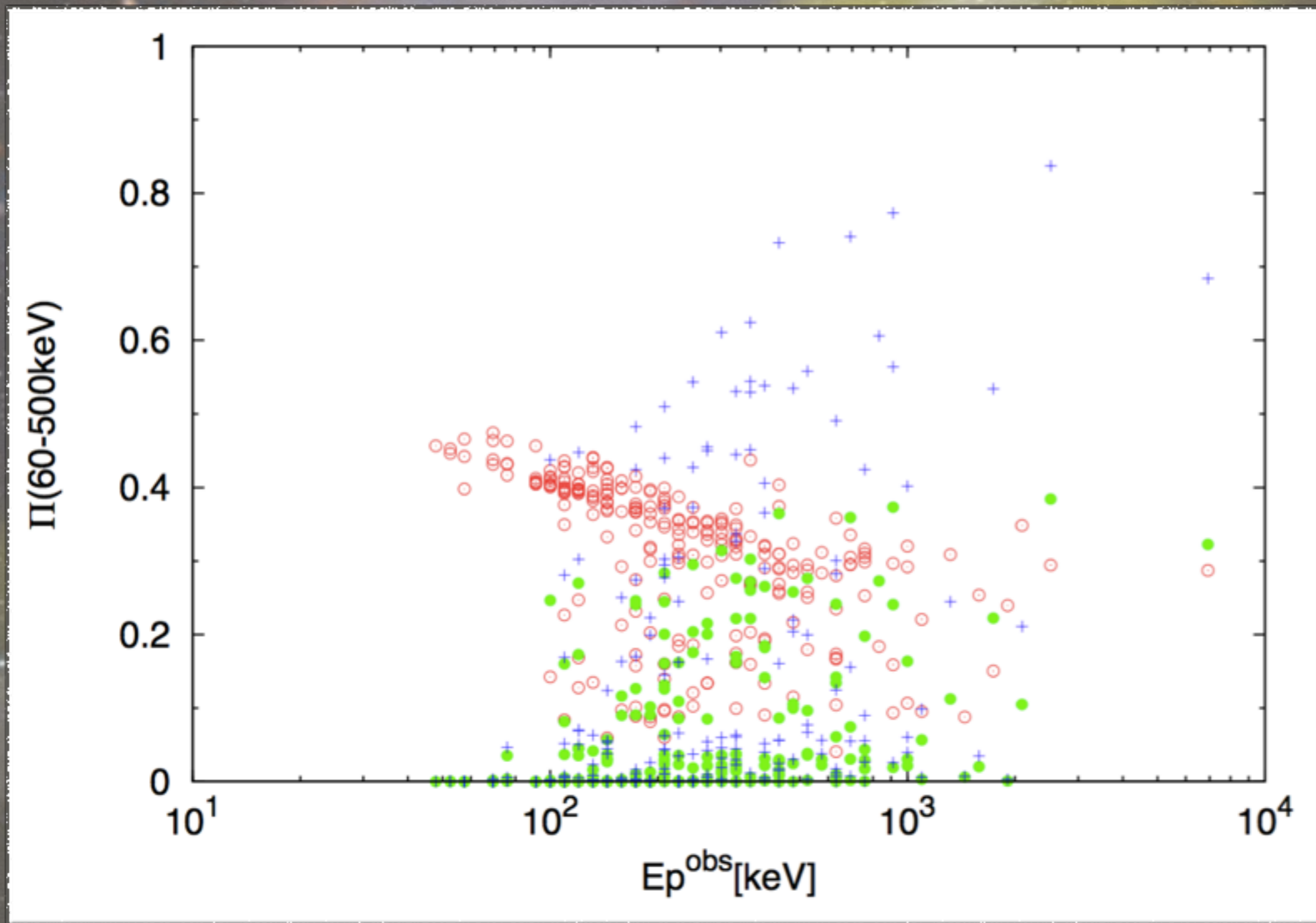


Figure 6. The ratio of the blackbody flux observed in 1 keV - 10 MeV and the total flux under the BB + Band model in the same energy range. The ratio is initially $\sim 5\%$ and increases to peak value of $\sim 25\%$.

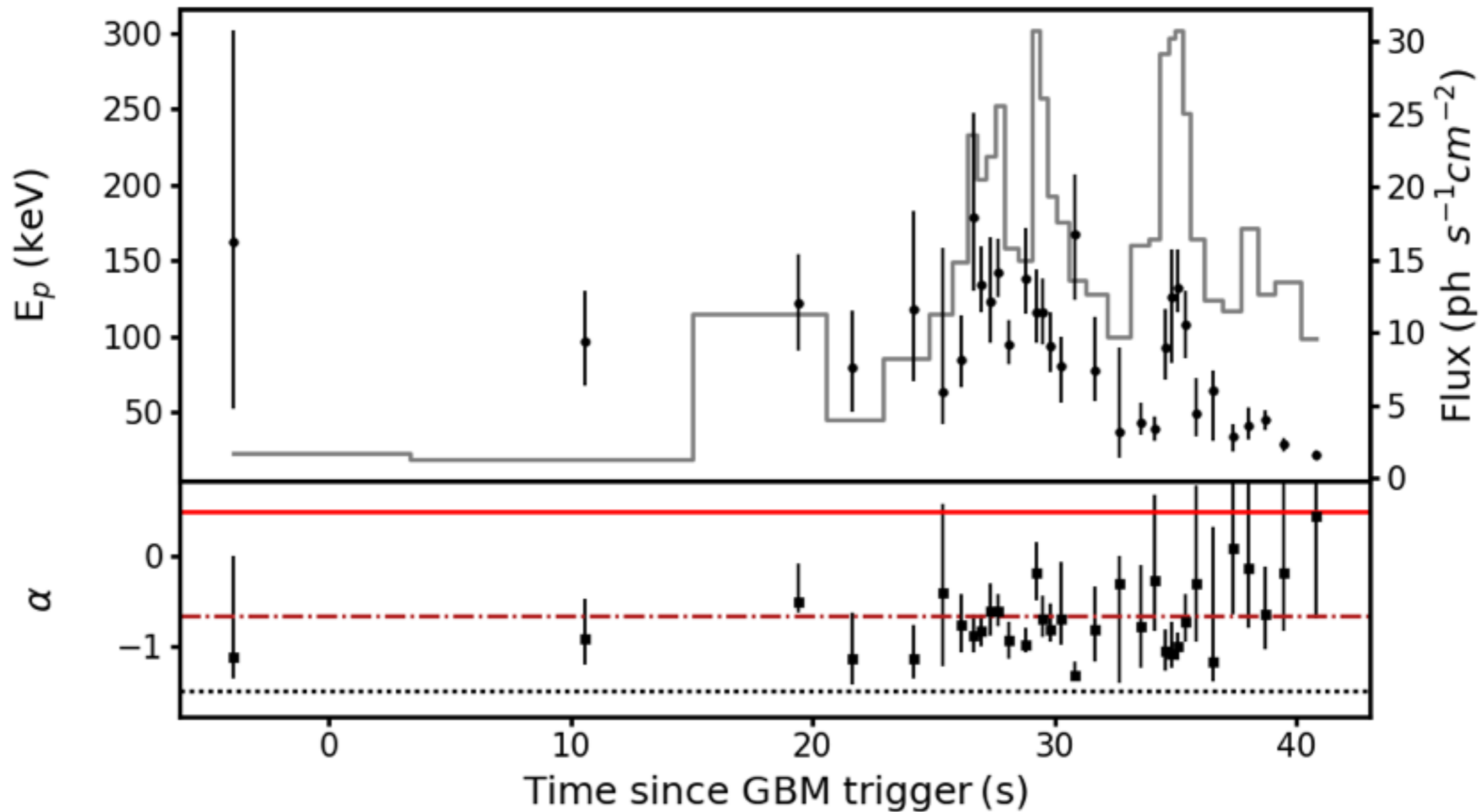
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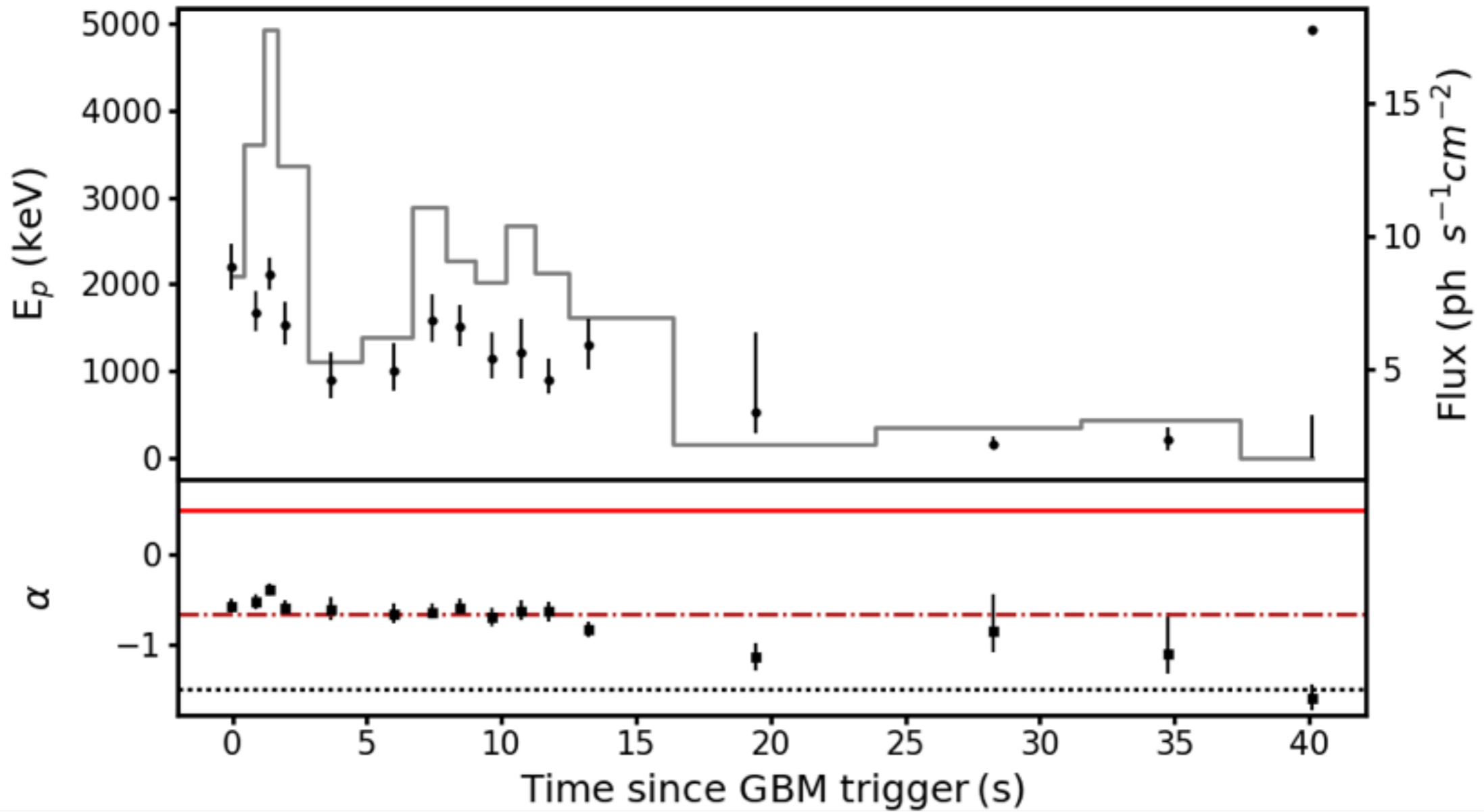
Extreme peaks (low and high E_p)



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