



AGILE and GRBs 13 Years of Observations

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+
related
scientific
RateMeters
(RMs)

AntiCoincidence (AC)

[50 keV – 200 keV]

4 (x3) +1 plastic scintillators

Super AGILE (SA)

[18 keV – 60 keV]

4 Si detectors + W coded mask

Silicon Tracker

[30 MeV – 50 GeV]

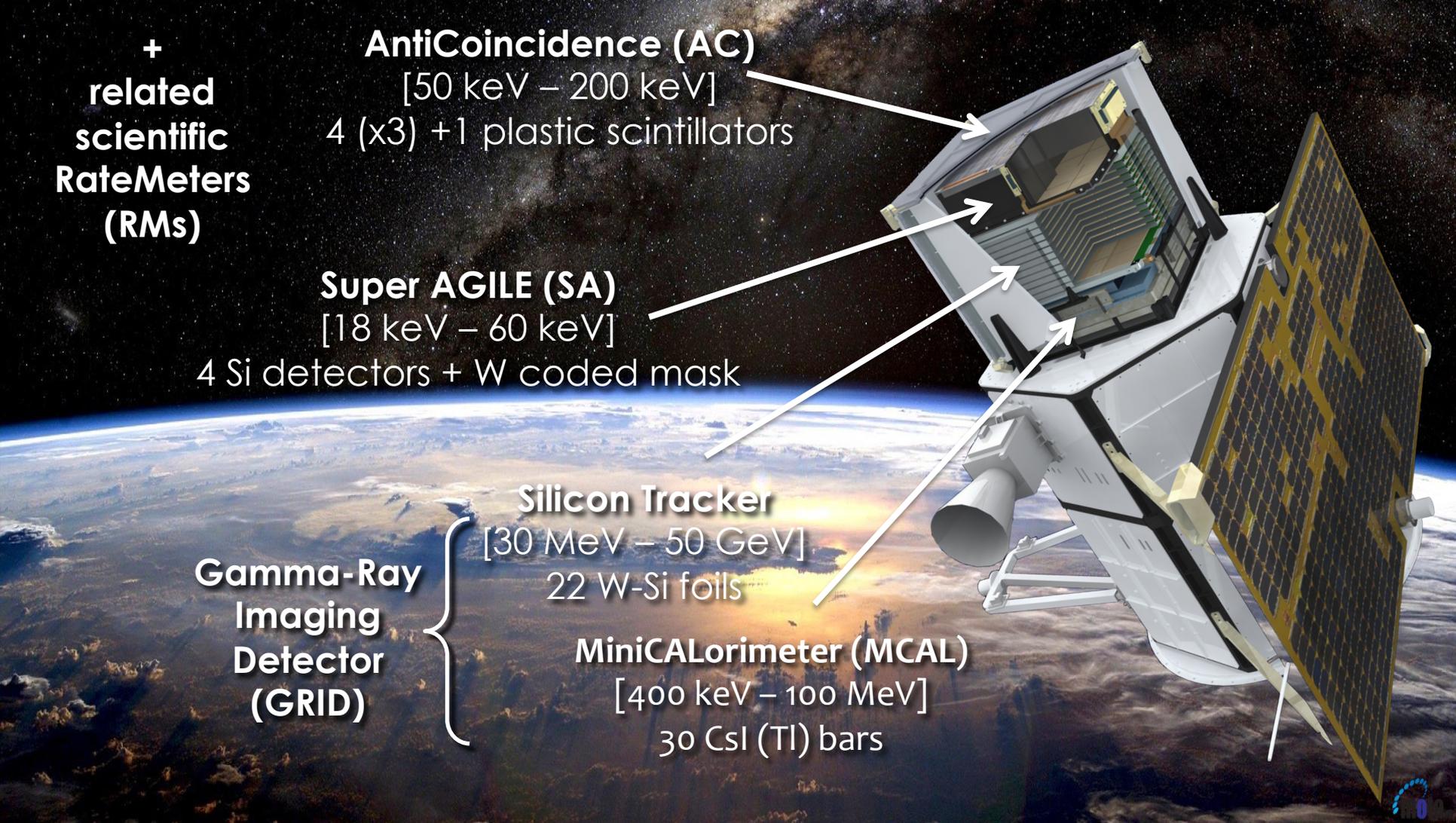
22 W-Si foils

Gamma-Ray
Imaging
Detector
(GRID)

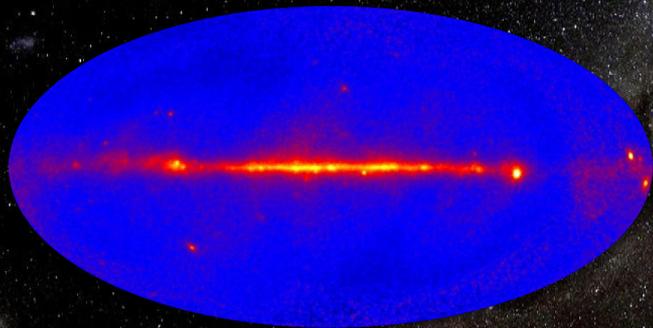
MiniCALorimeter (MCAL)

[400 keV – 100 MeV]

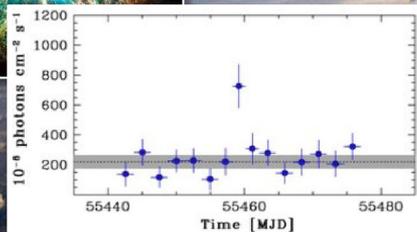
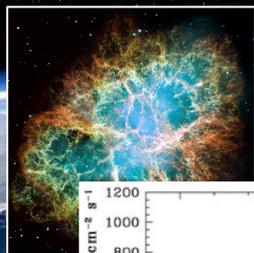
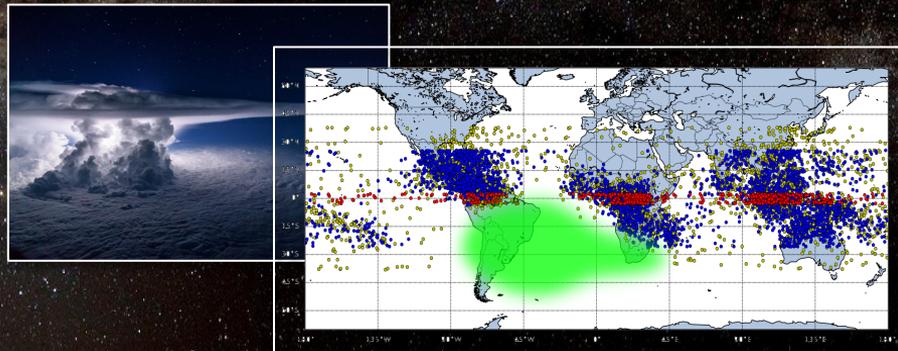
30 CsI (TI) bars



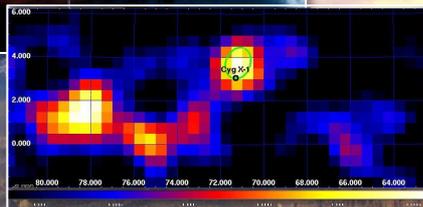
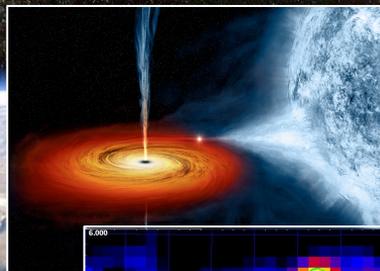
gamma-ray sky



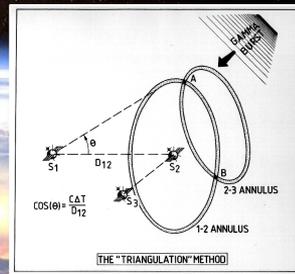
Terrestrial Gamma-ray Flashes (TGFs)



Crab nebula



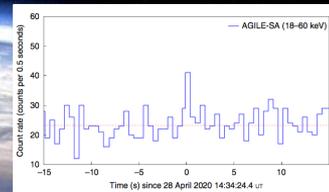
microquasars



IPN partner



GW follow-up partner



FRBs



• **spinning** •

imagers scan 80% sky / 7 min

• **low-inclination orbit** •

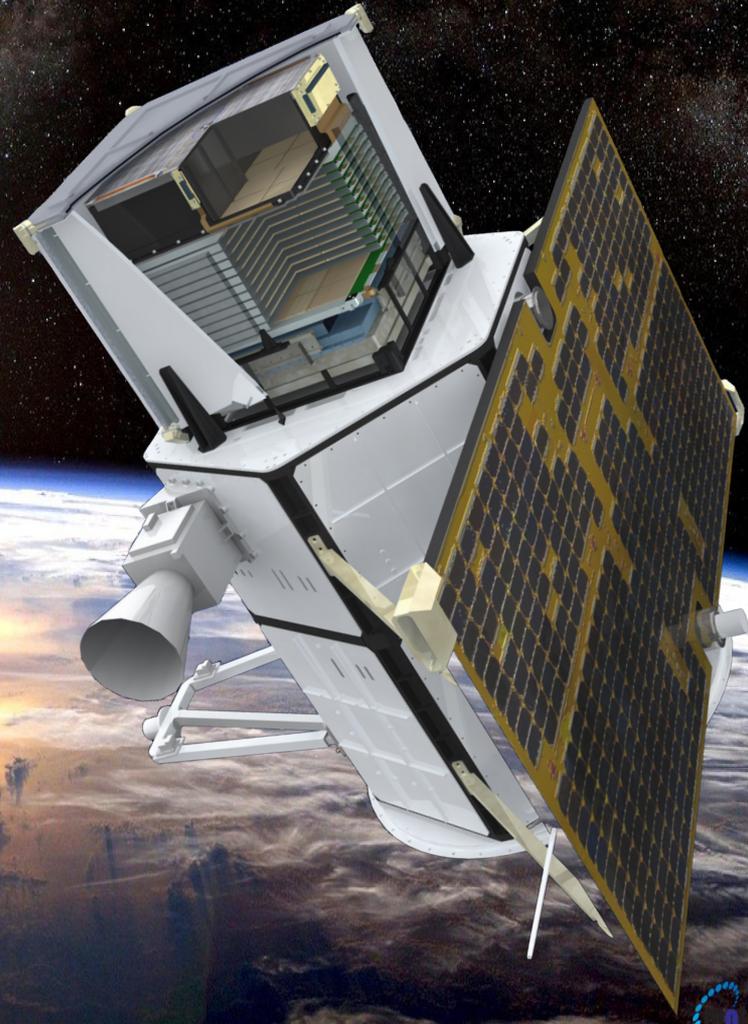
2.5° low background

• **sub-ms trigger logic** •

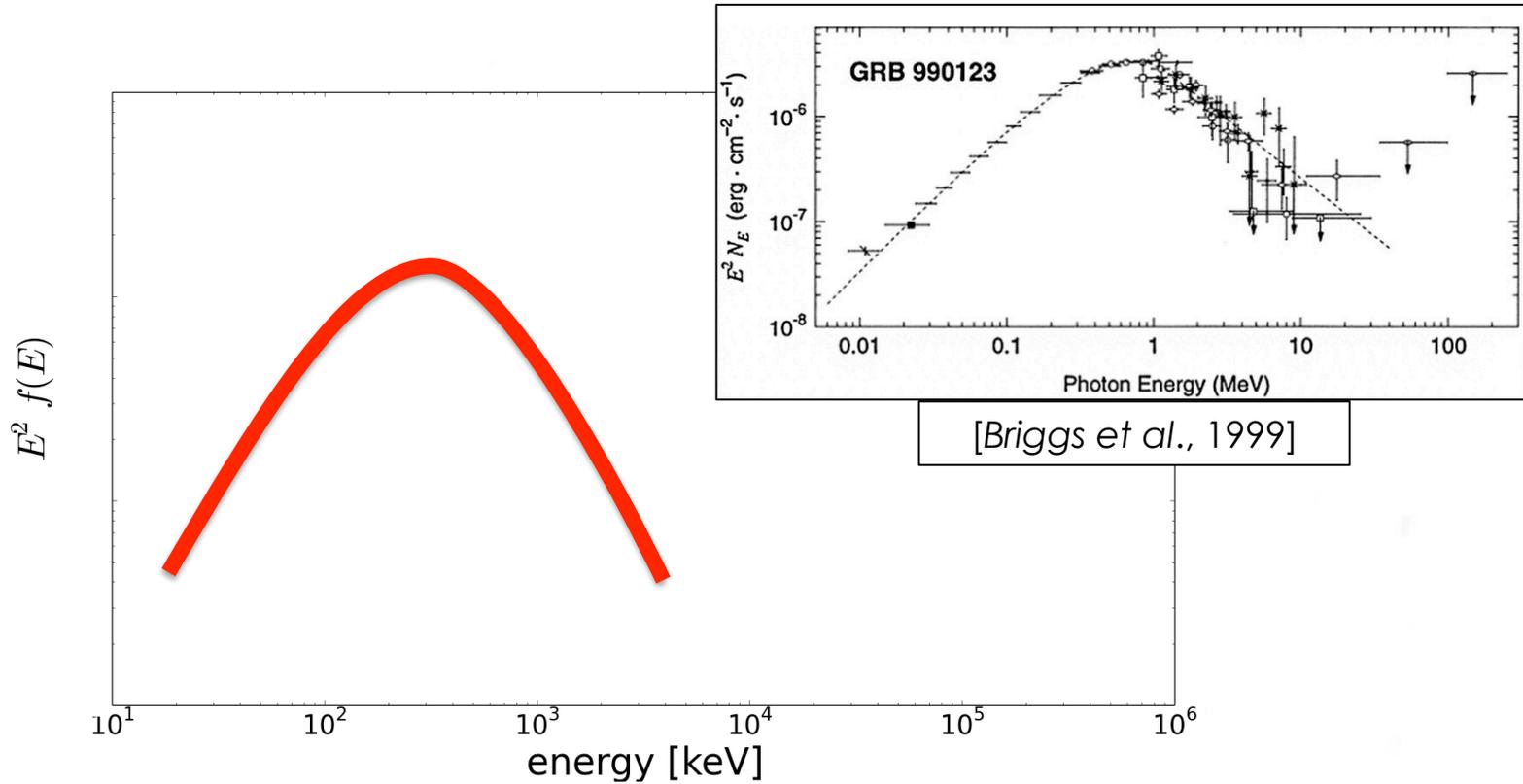
sensitive to fastest transients

• **high-energy range** •

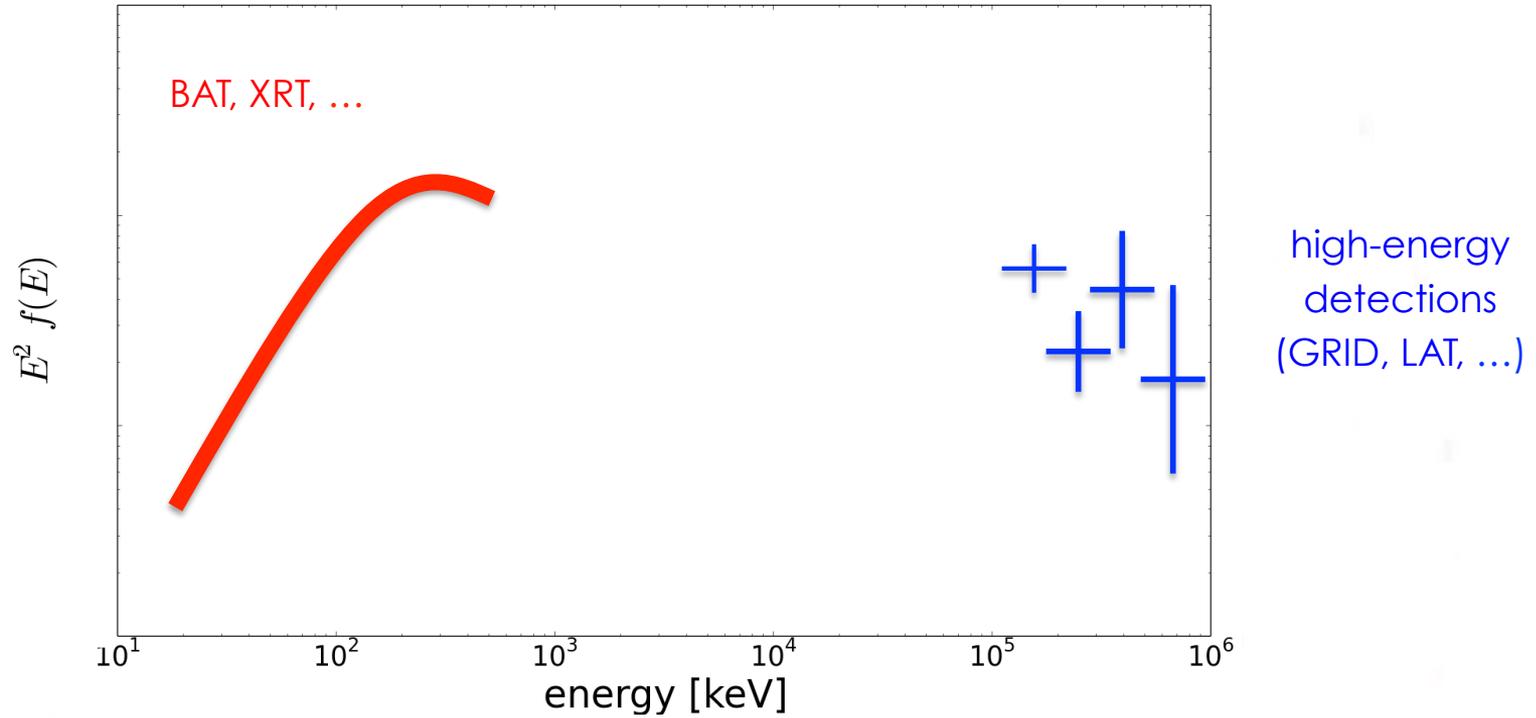
h.e. GRB component



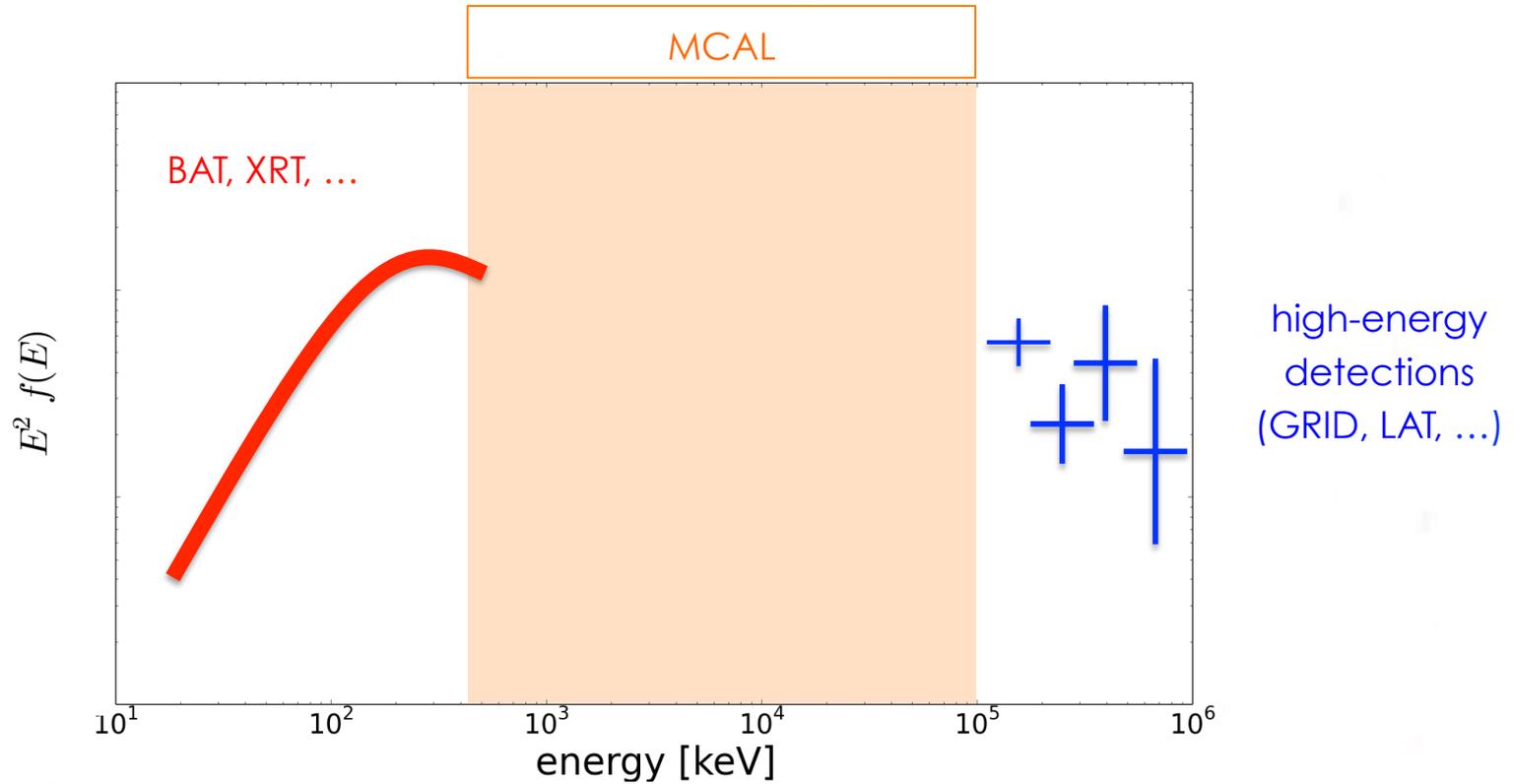
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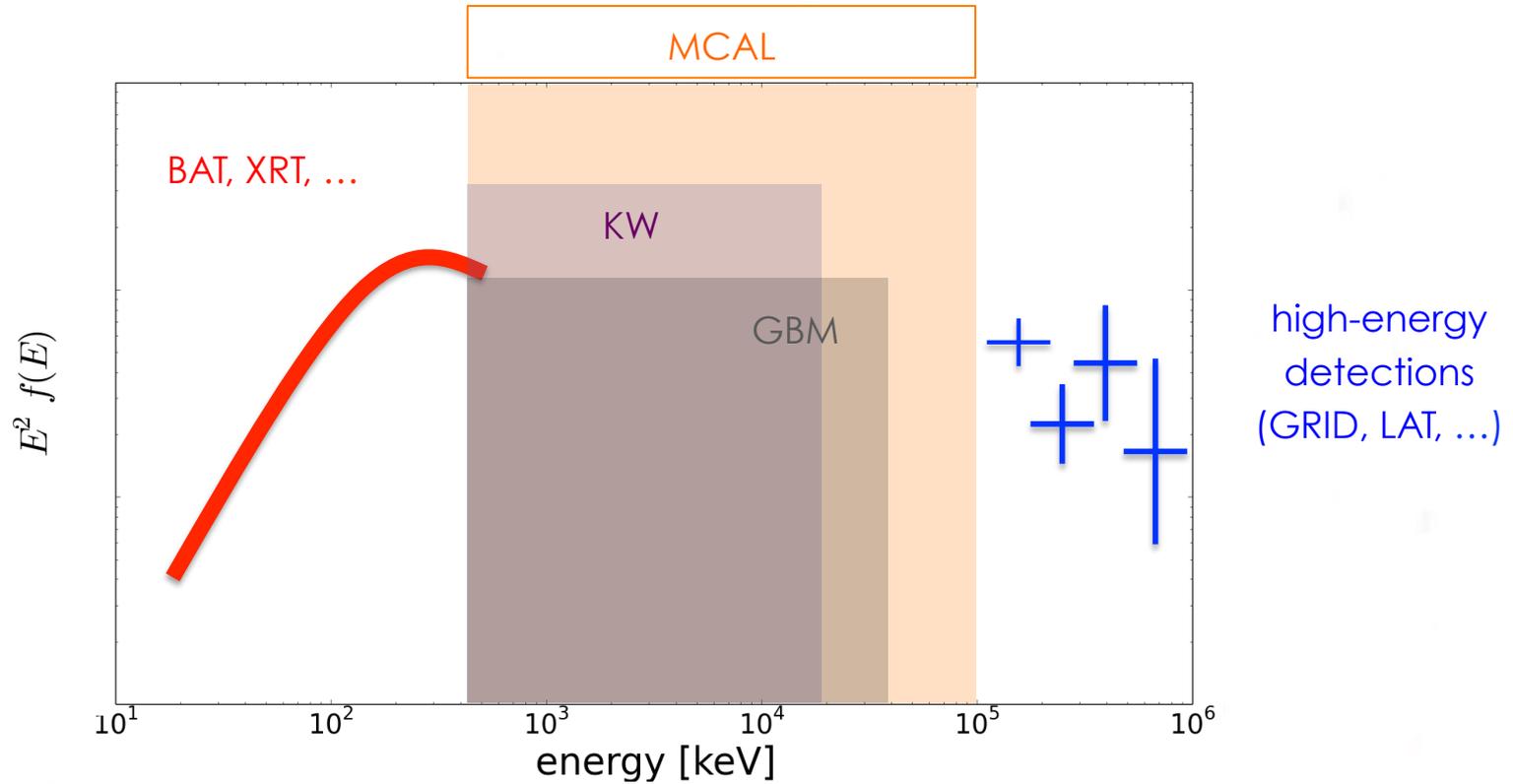
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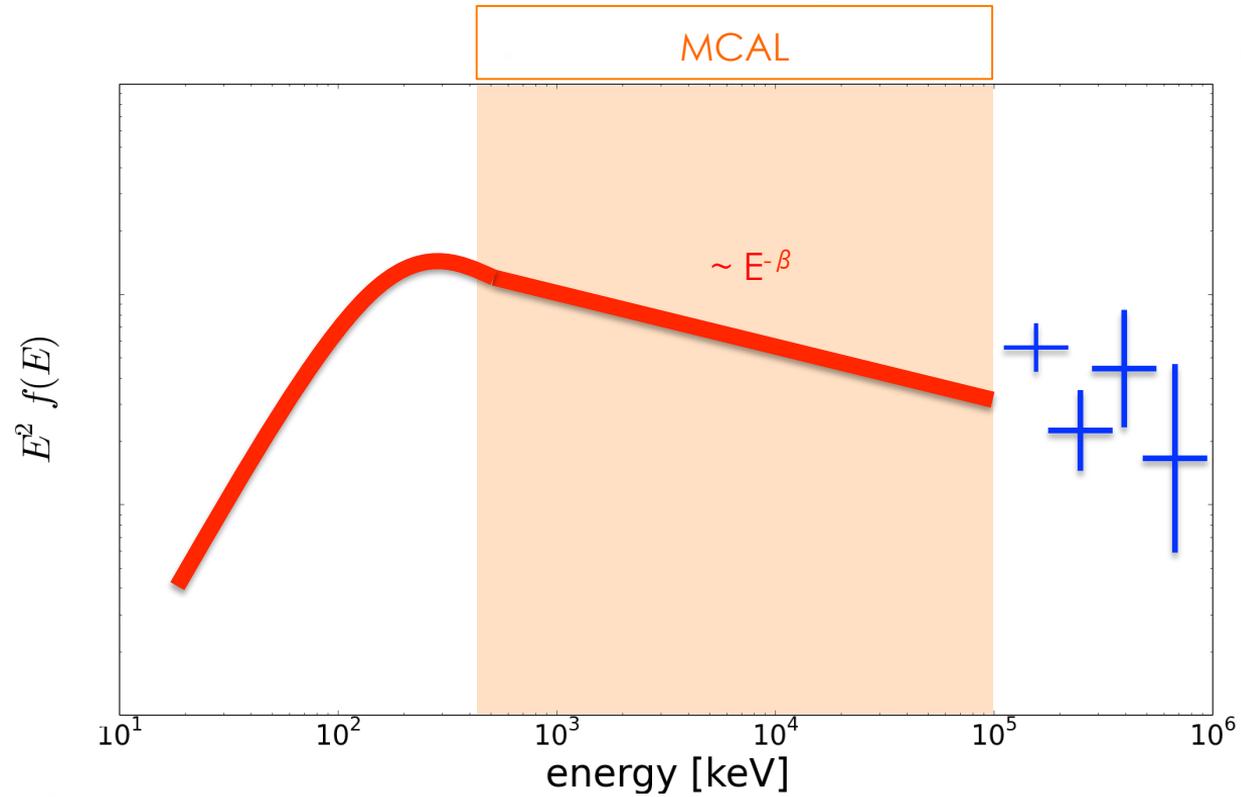
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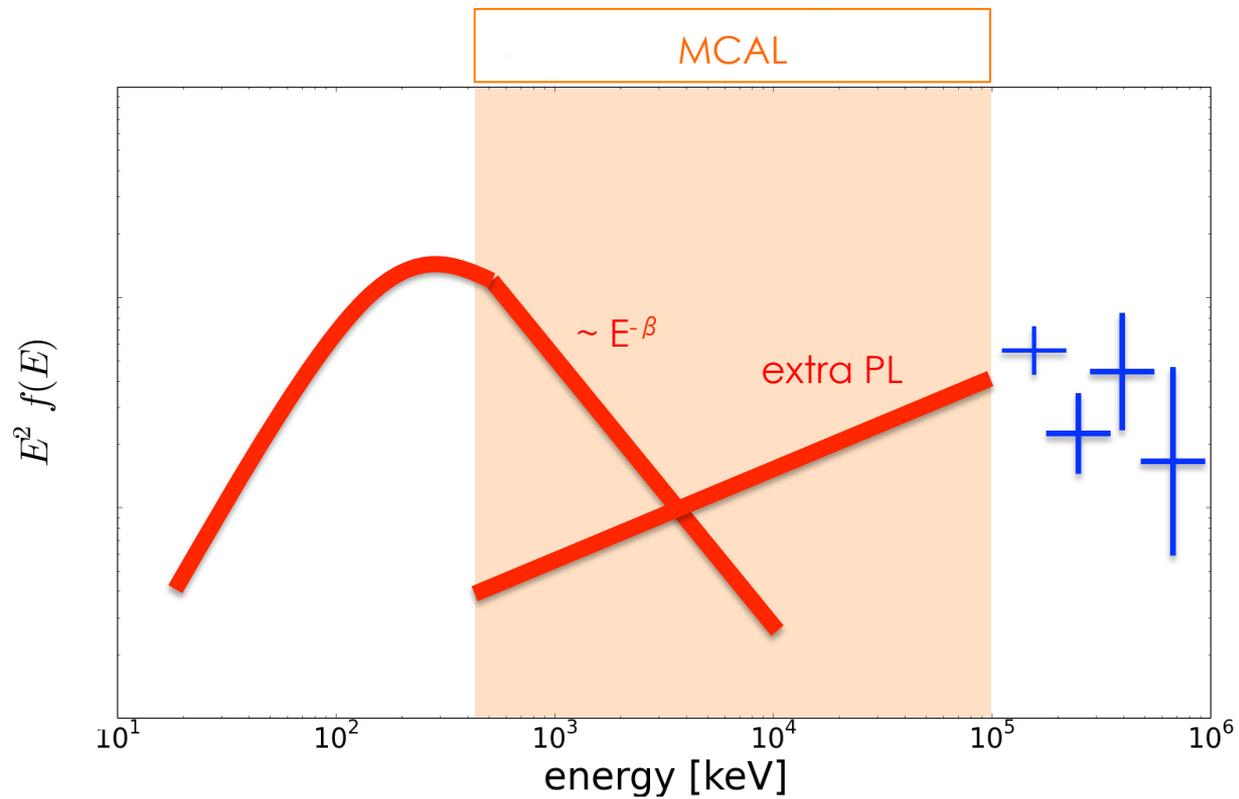
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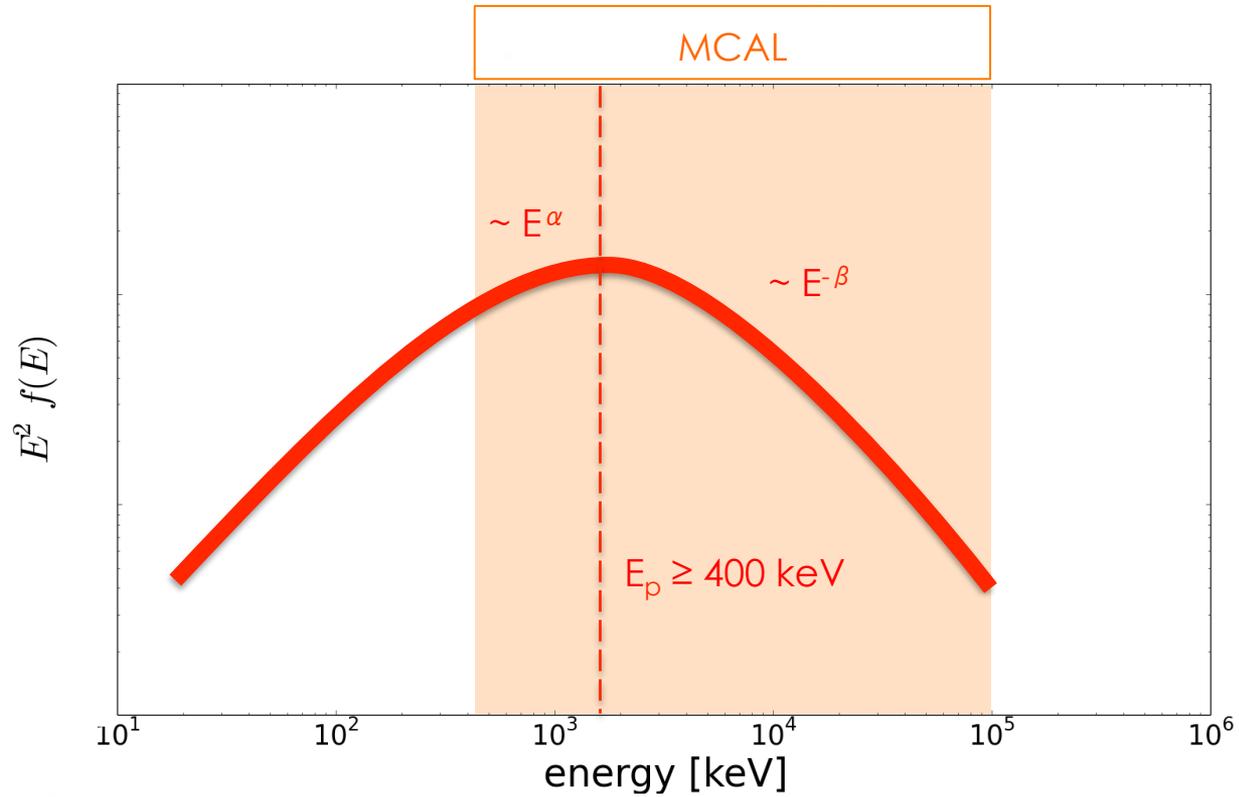
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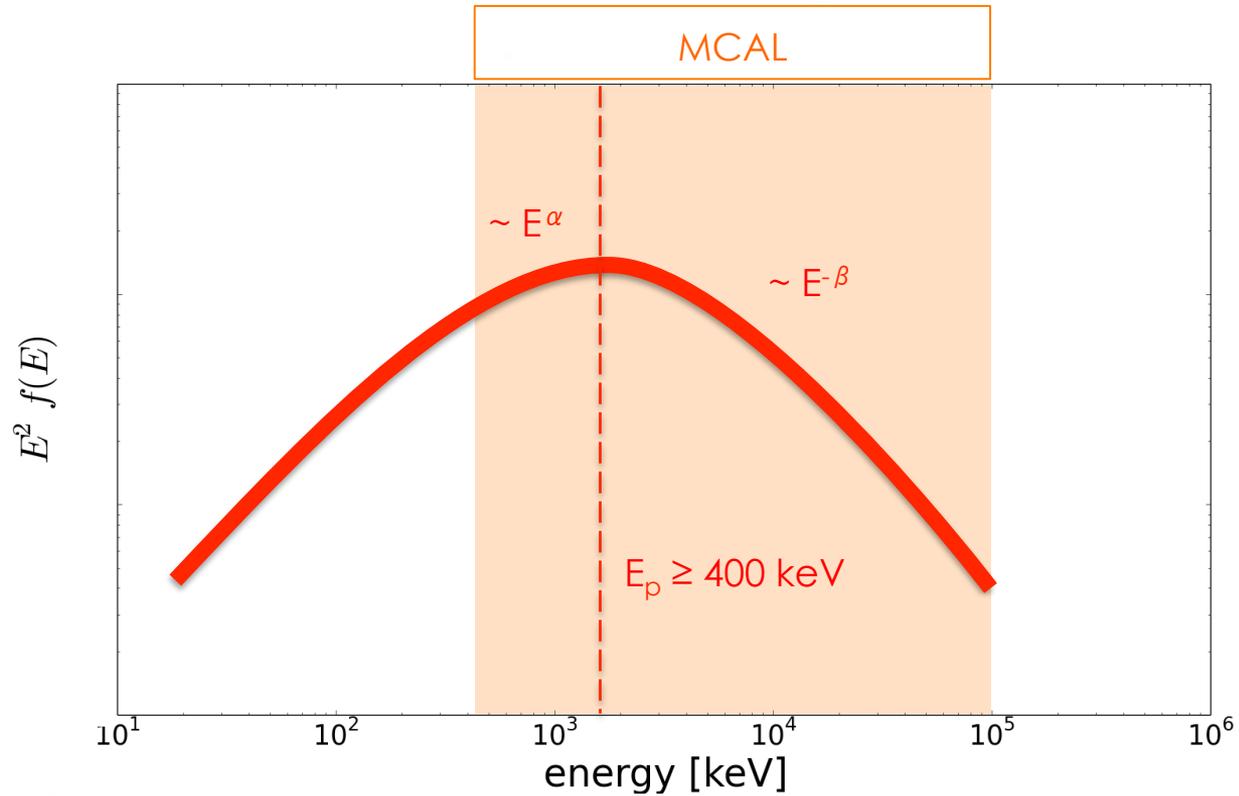
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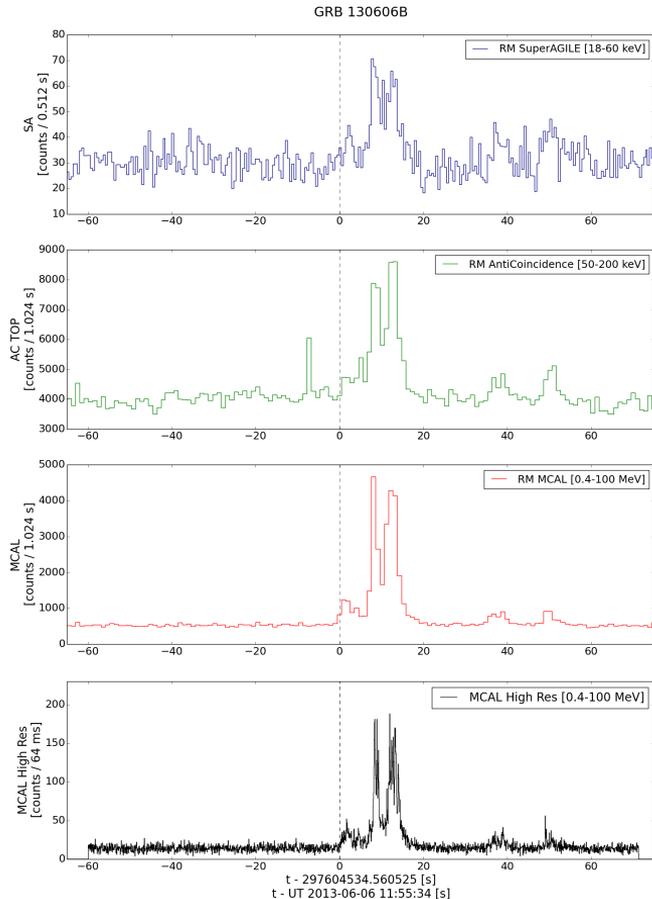


High-Energy GRBs



simultaneous/prompt or delayed/extended

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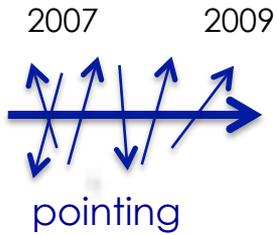
continuous

continuous data stream with 0.5 s – 1 s time resolution

triggered

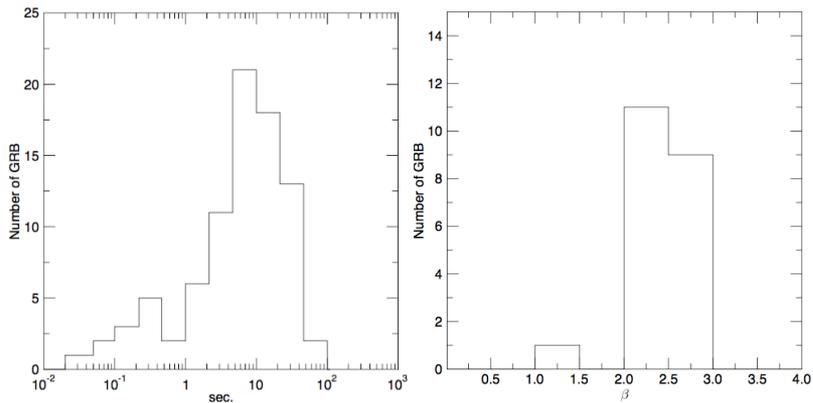
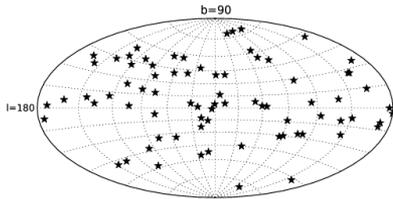
limited data acquisition ph-by-ph with 4 μ s time resolution
(not always covering the whole event...)

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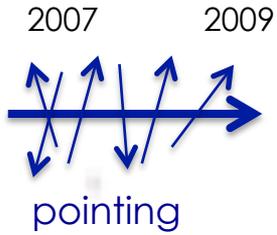


MCAL 1st GRB catalog
[Galli et al., 2013]

84 GRBs

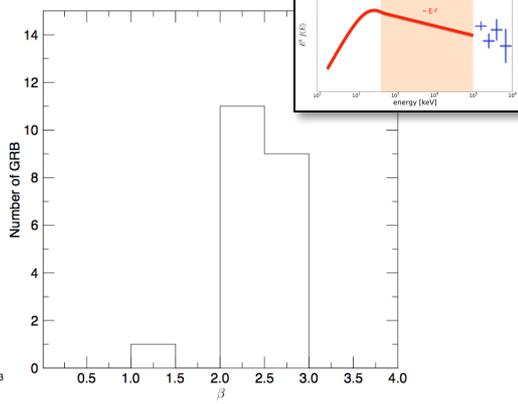
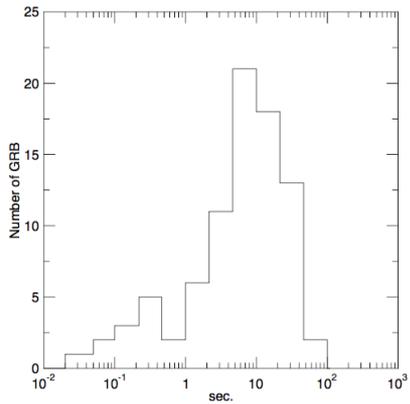
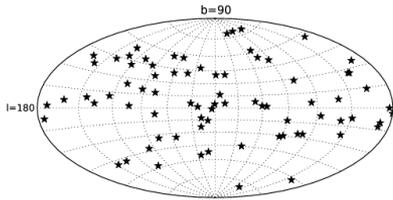


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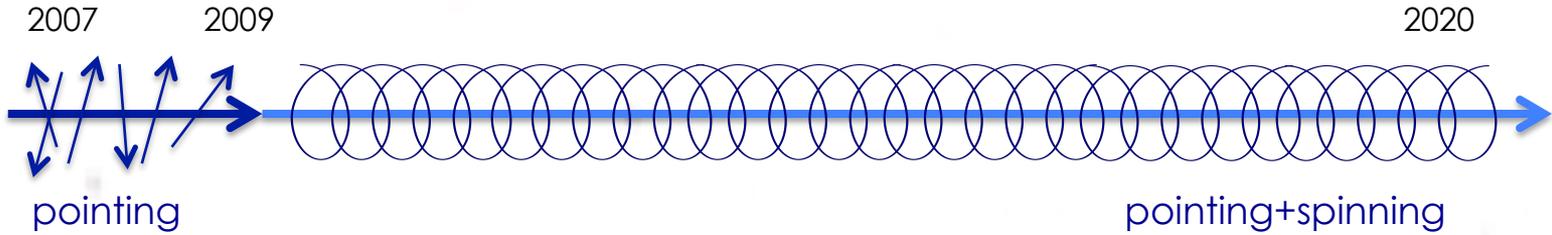


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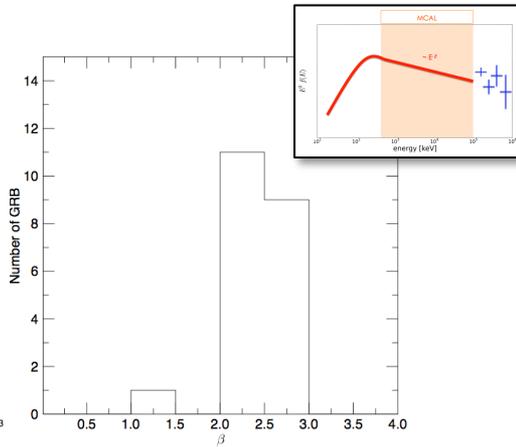
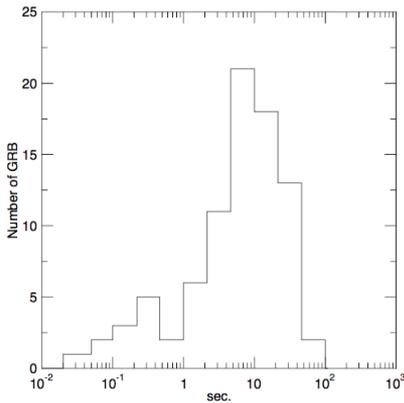
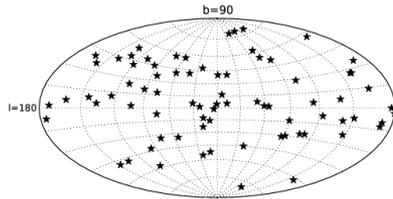


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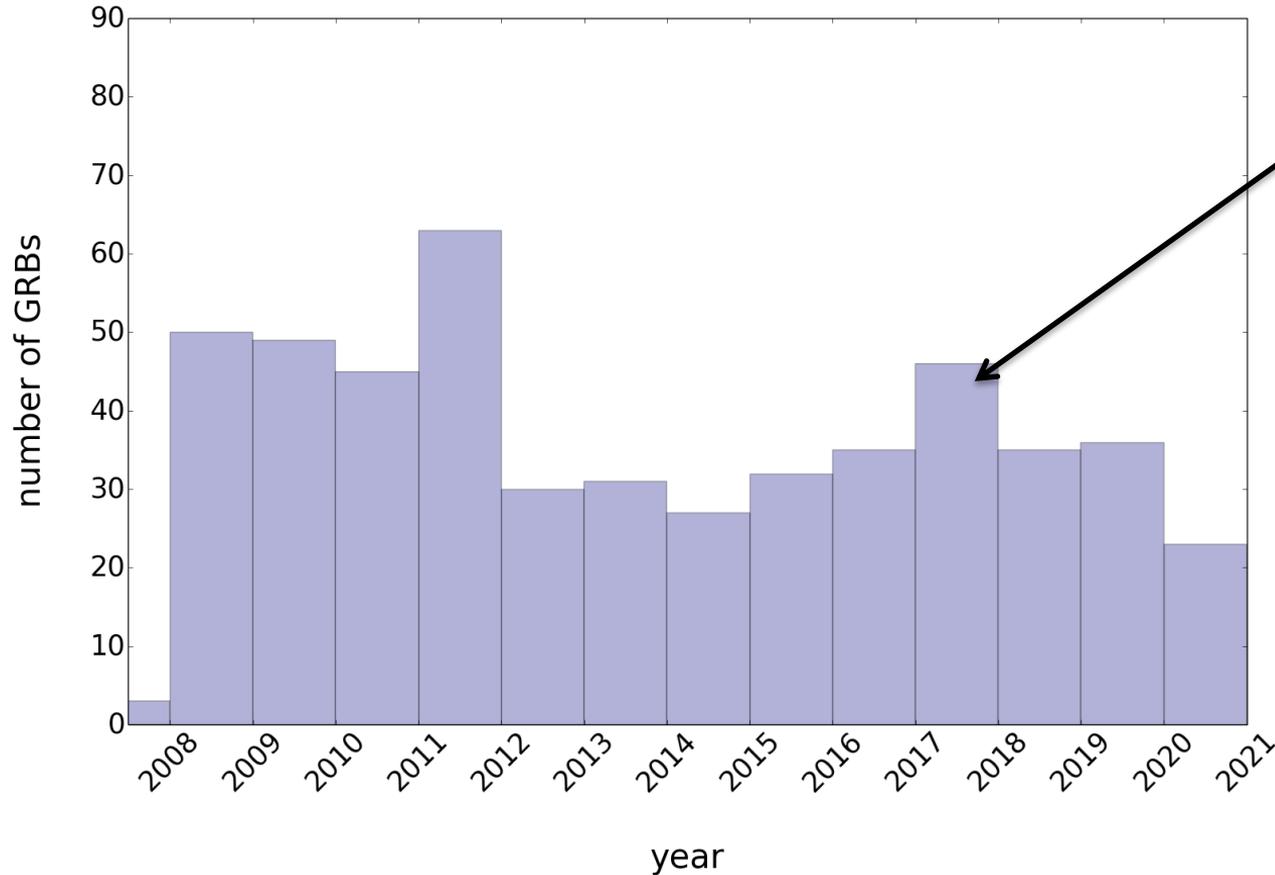
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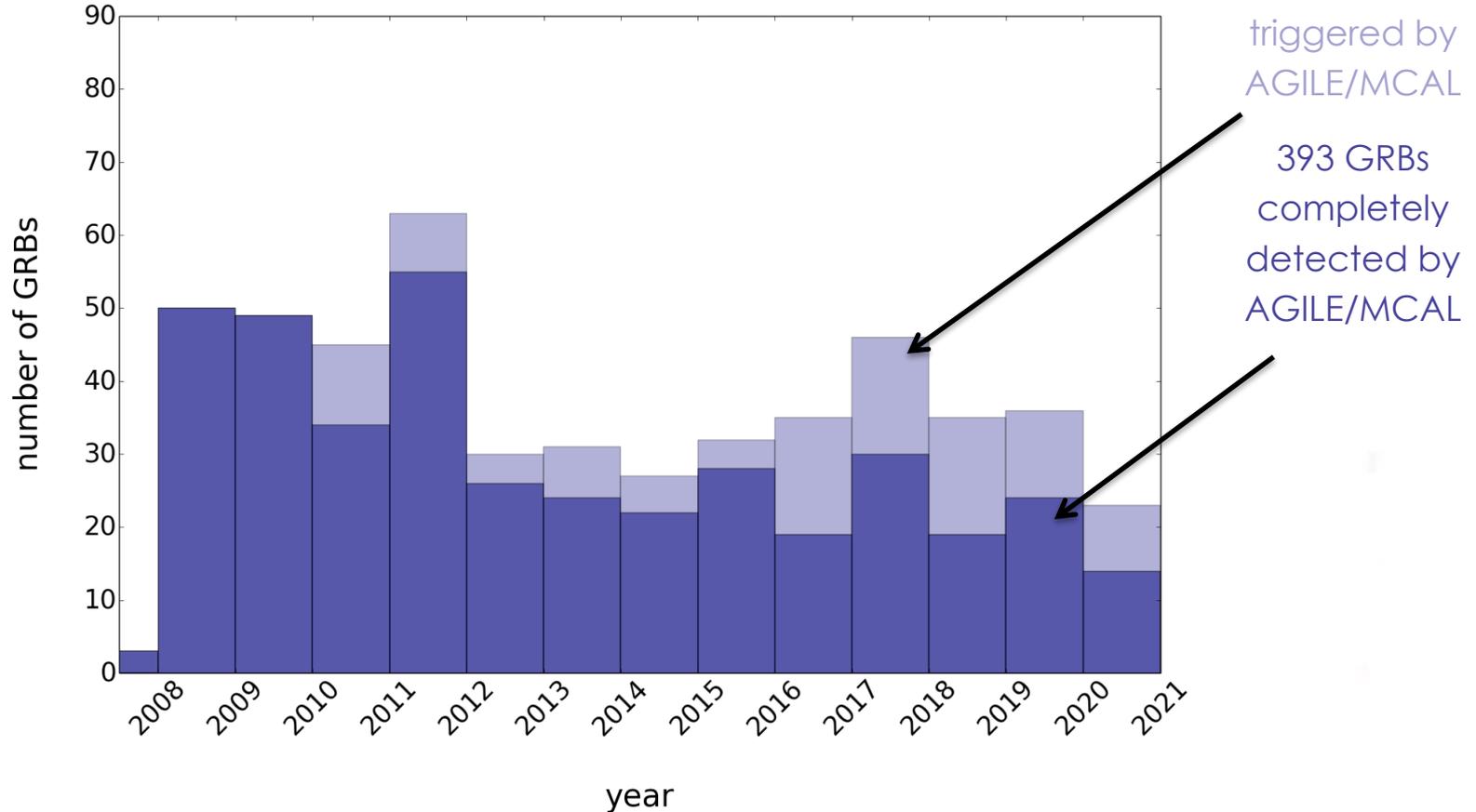
MCAL GRB detection rate



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AGILE/MCAL

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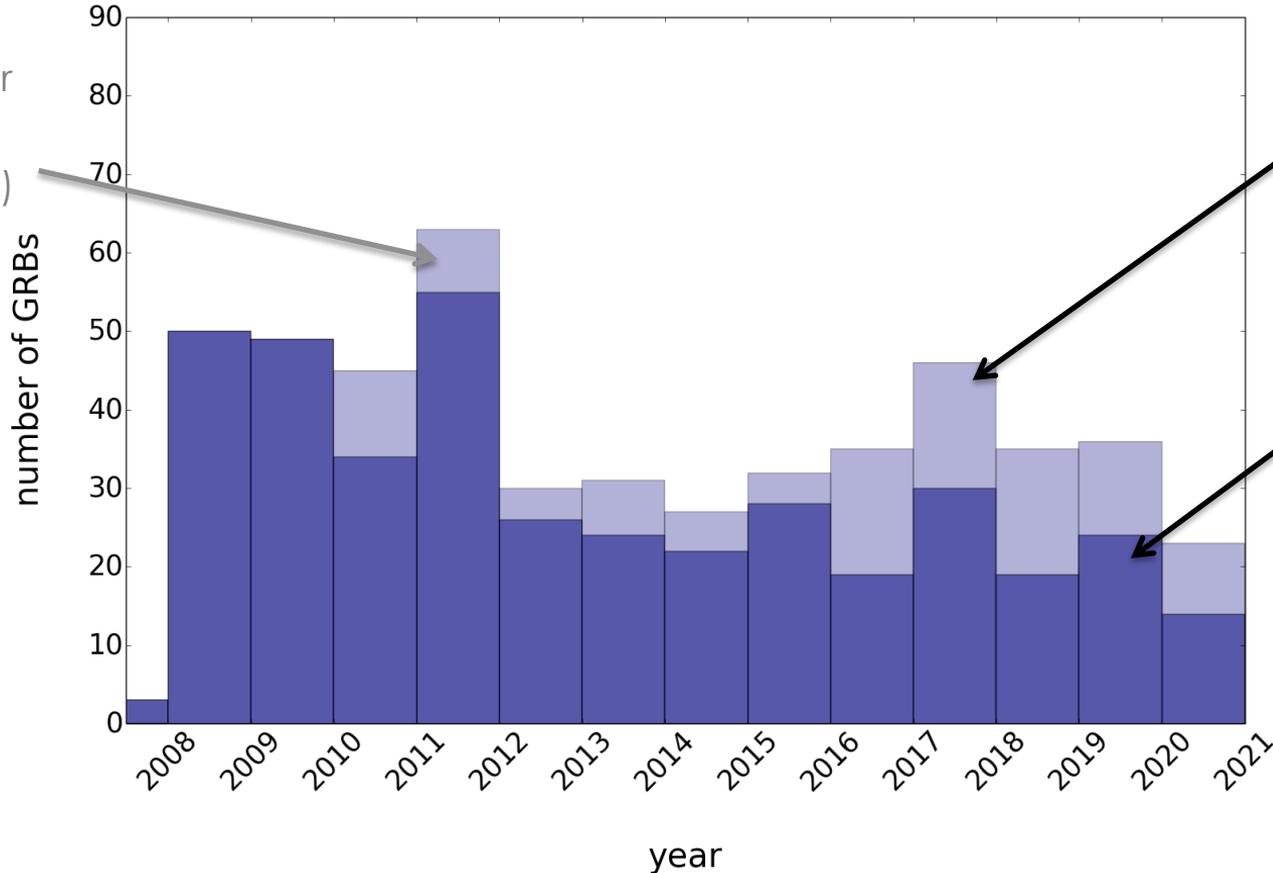
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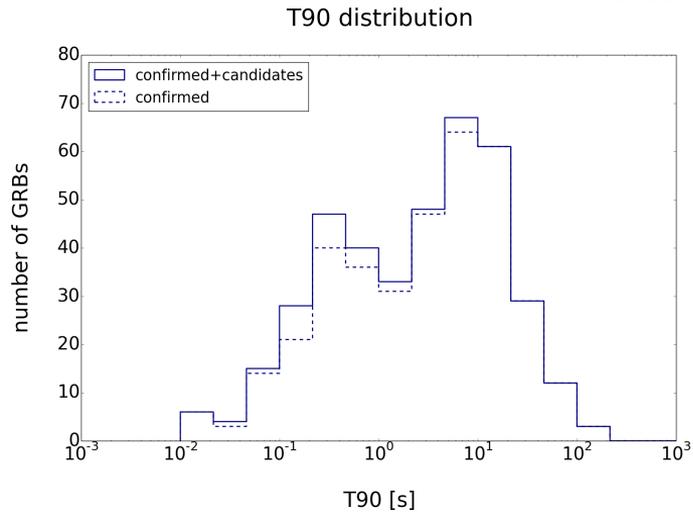
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(**useful for IPN**)



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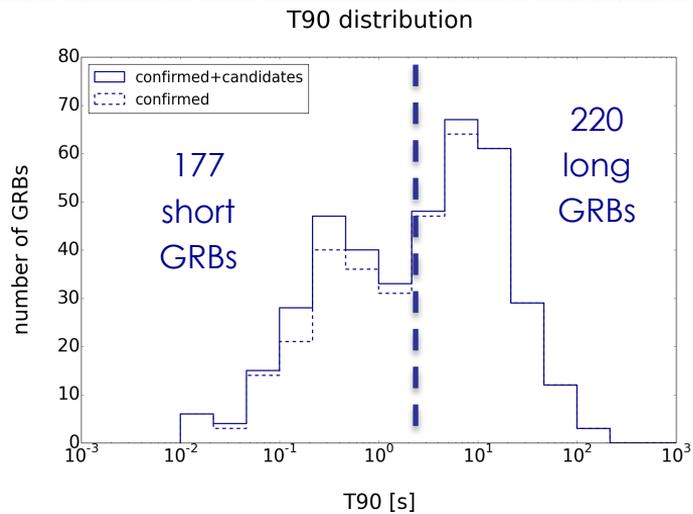
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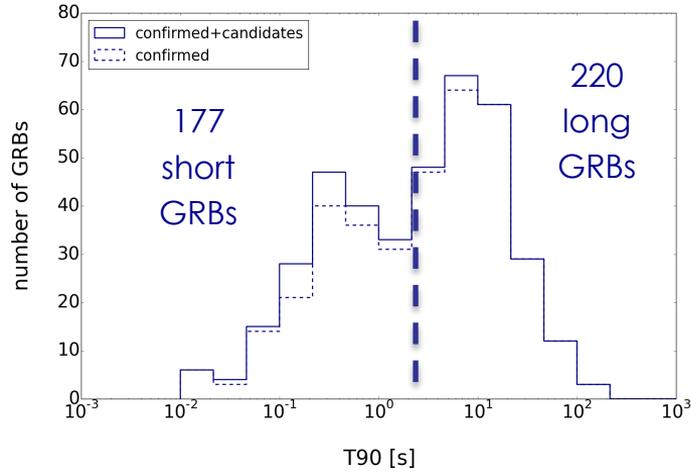
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T90 distribution



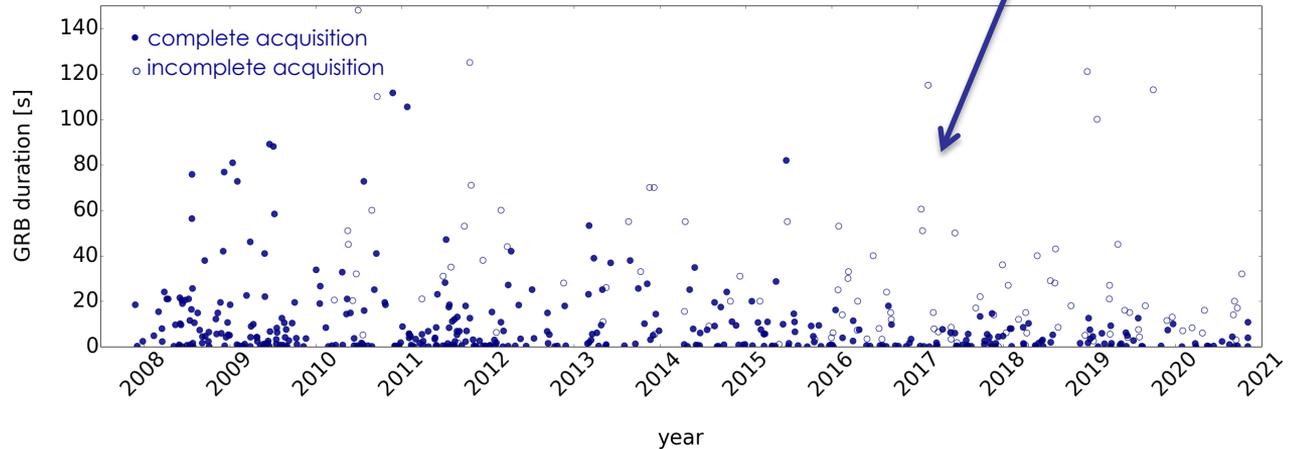
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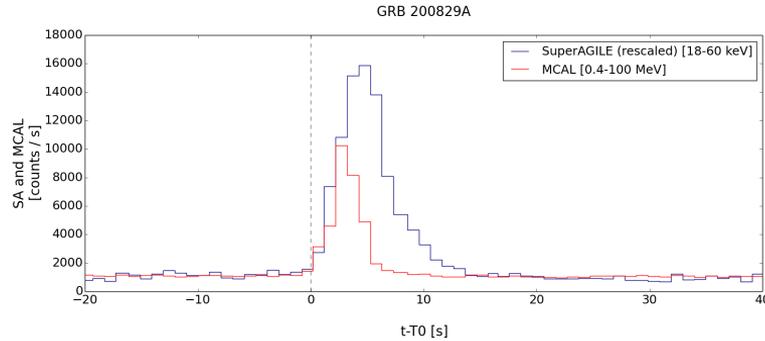
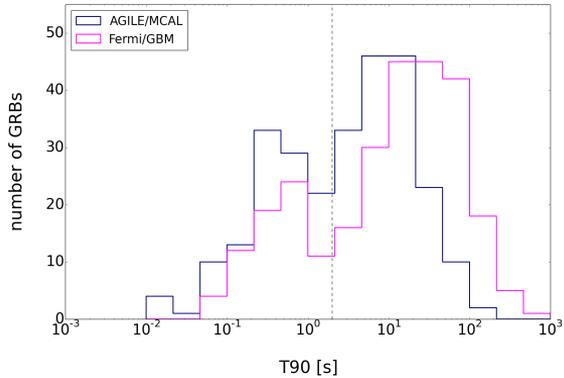
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- MCAL-GW configuration
- not bad for spinning issue
- limited energy range

MCAL GRB duration



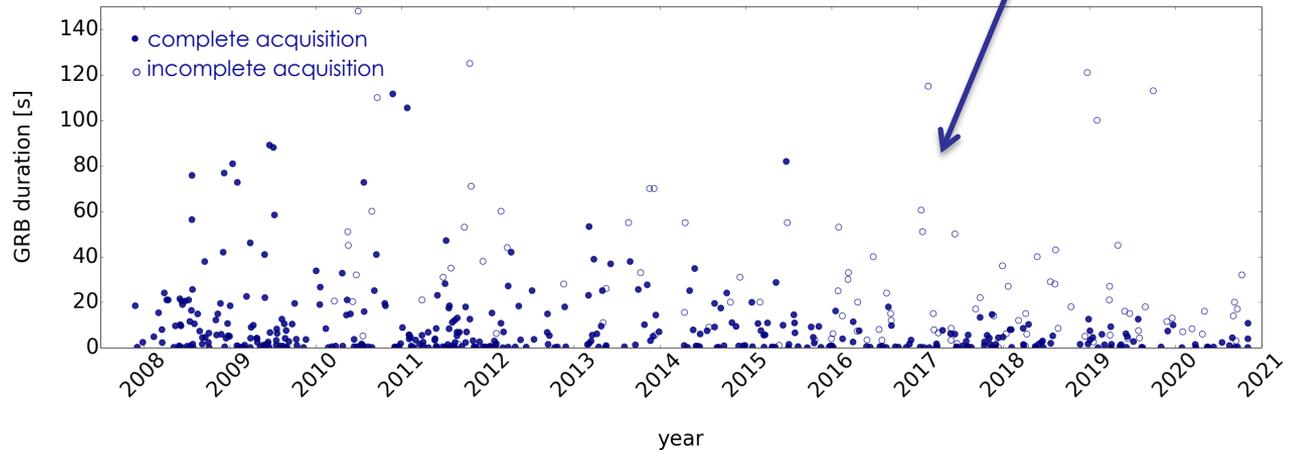
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T90 comparison (MCAL vs GBM)



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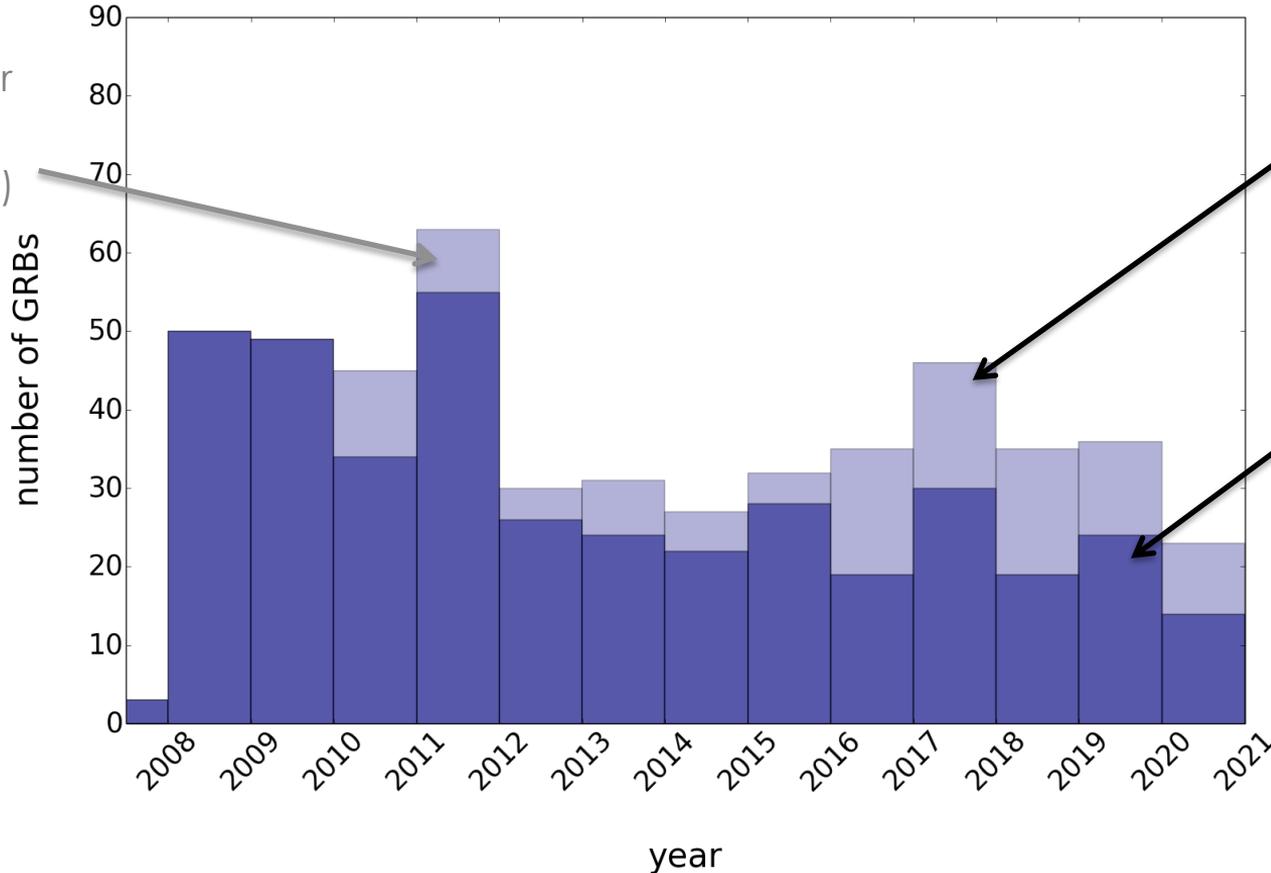
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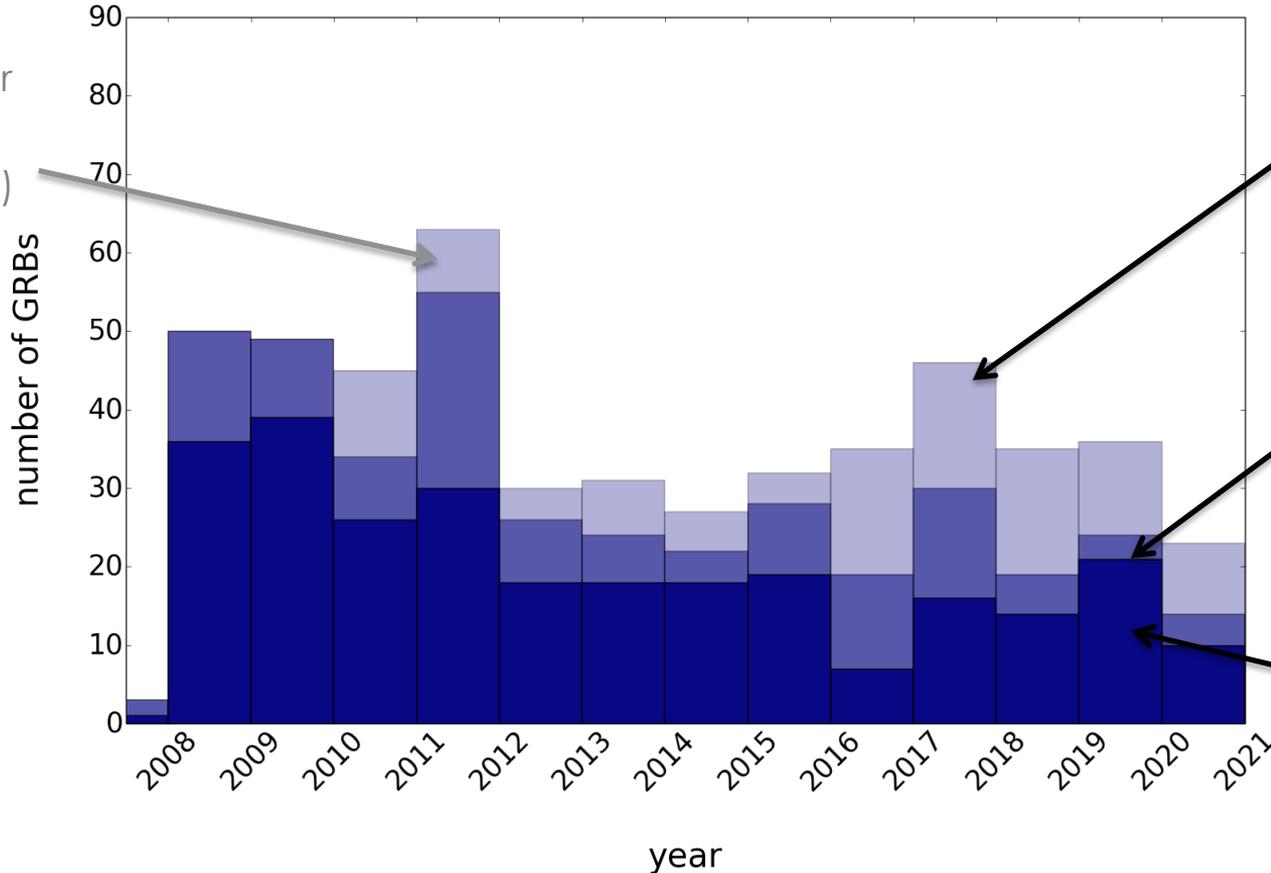
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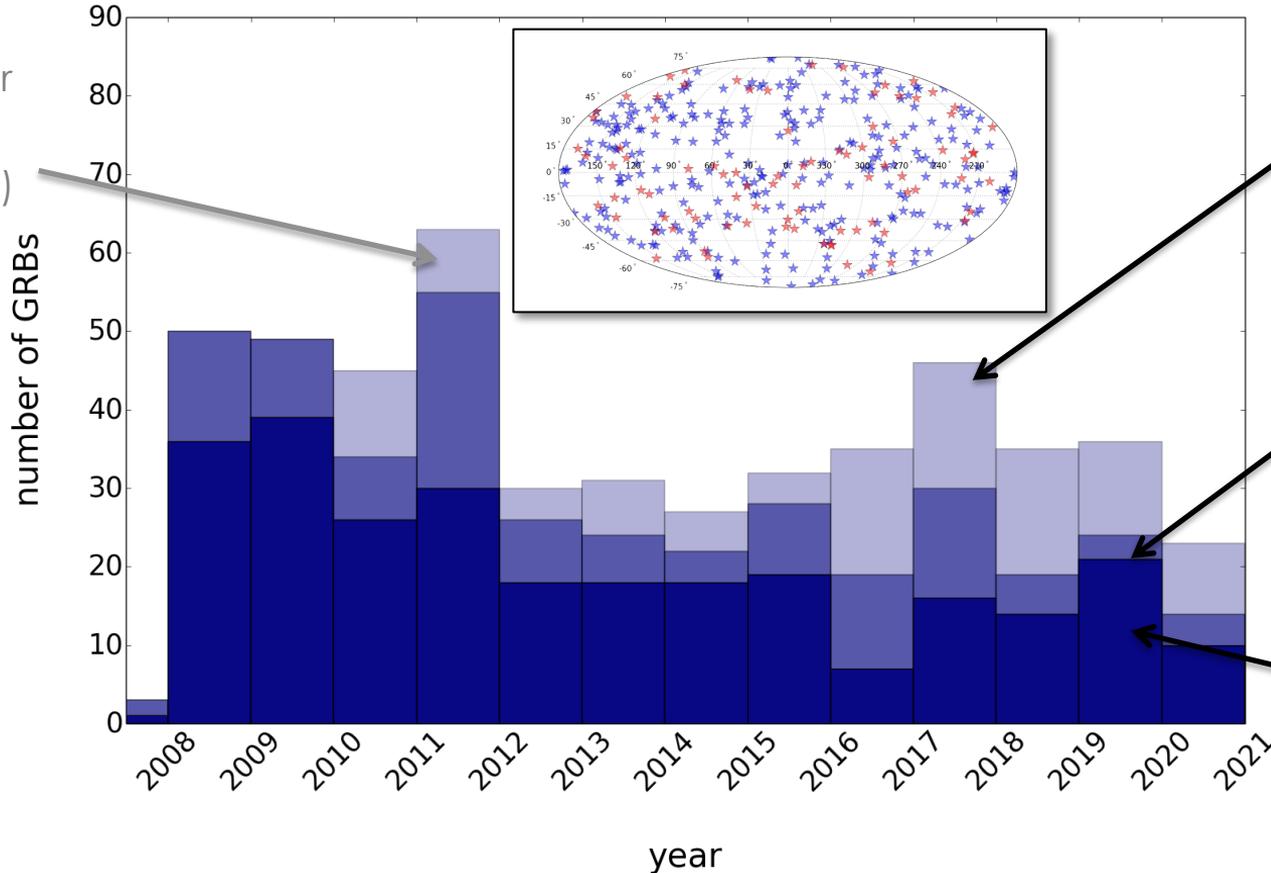
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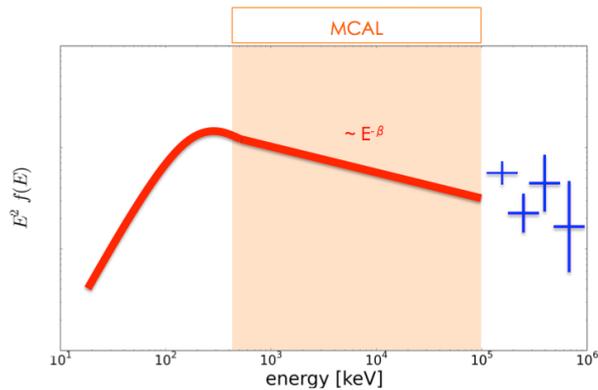


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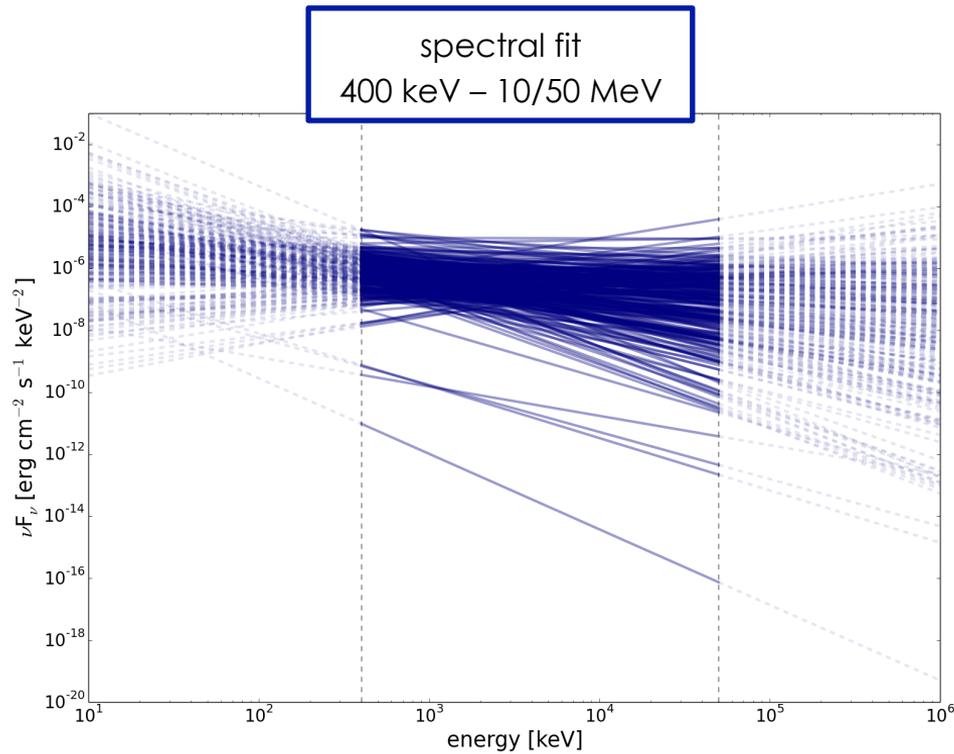
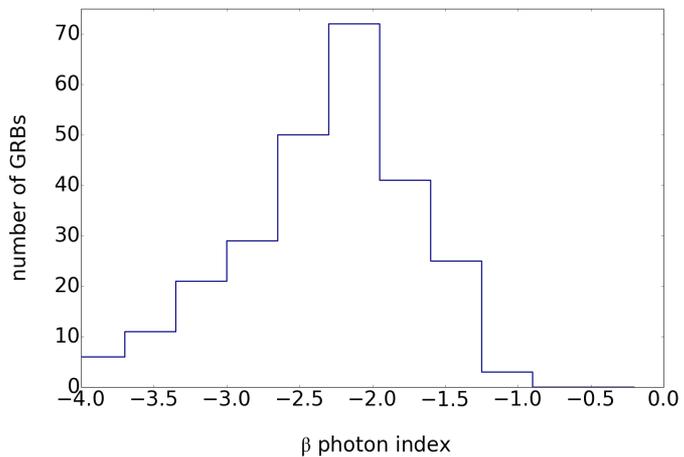
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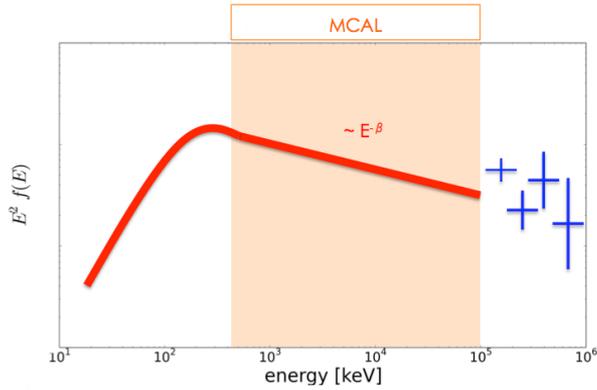
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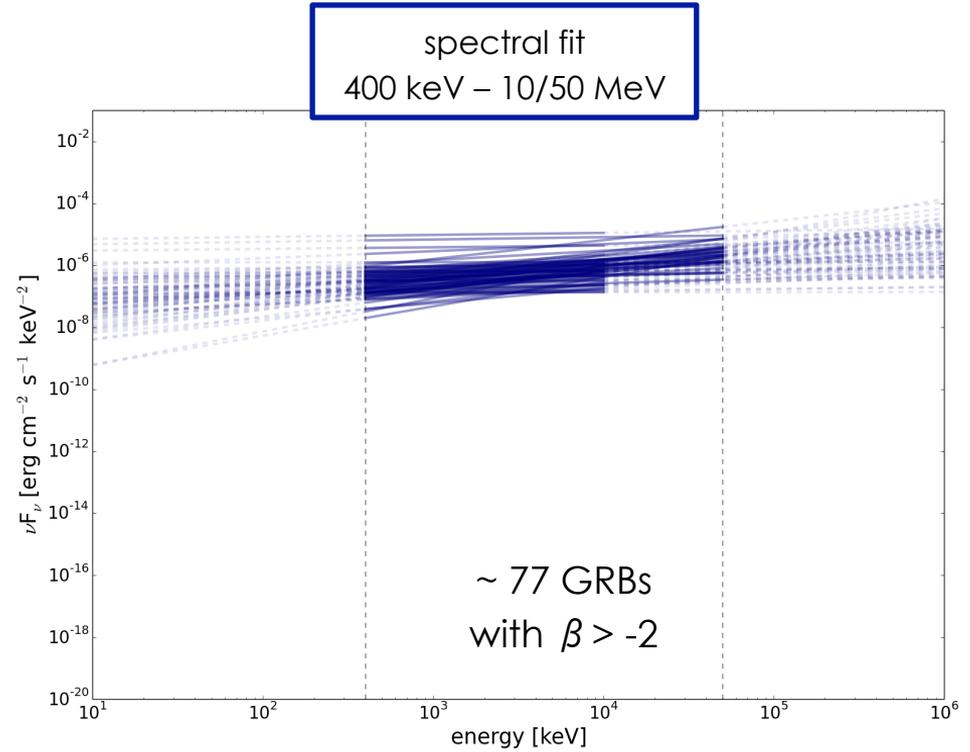
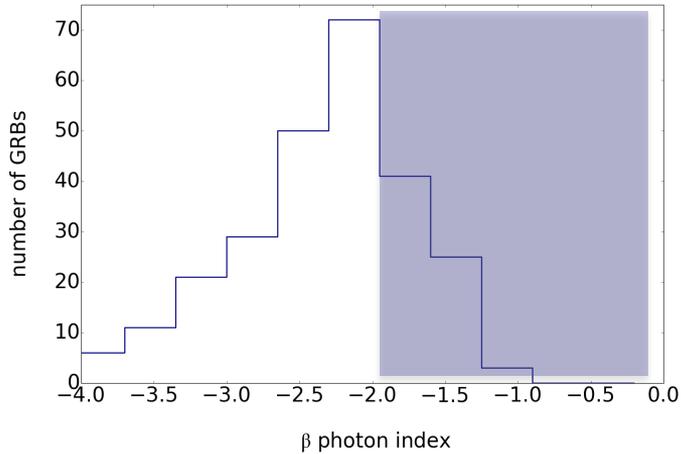
power law photon index distribution



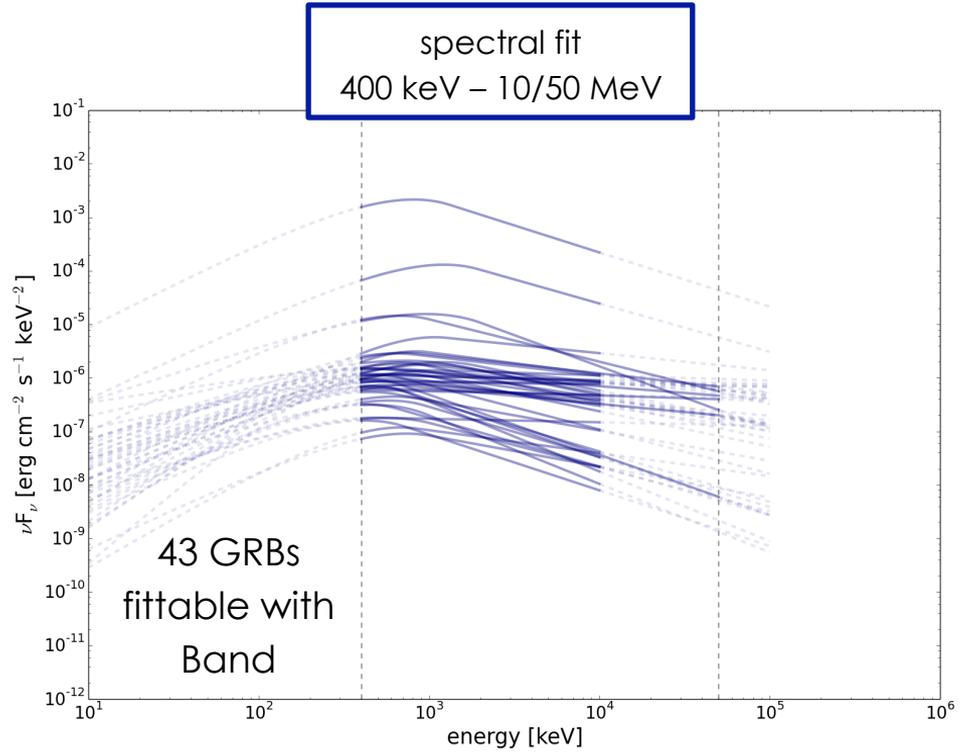
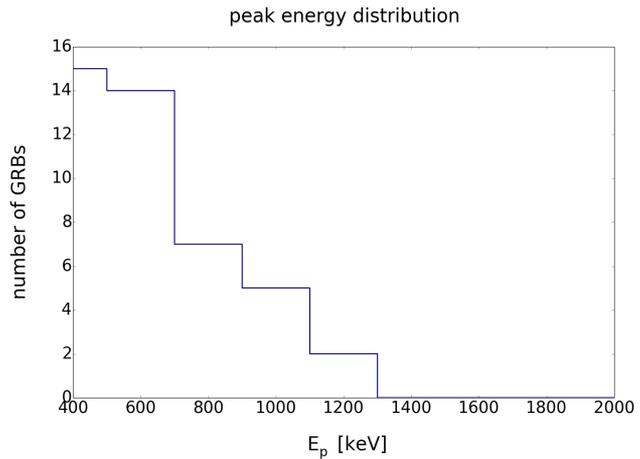
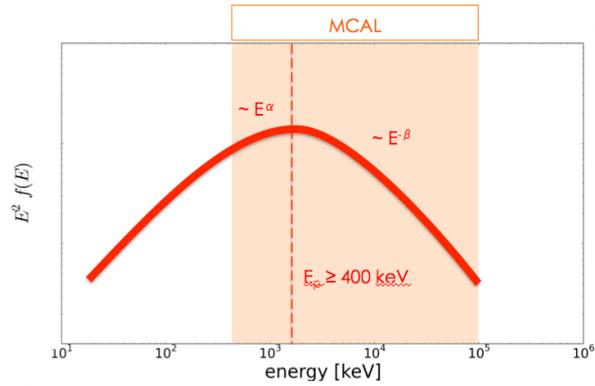
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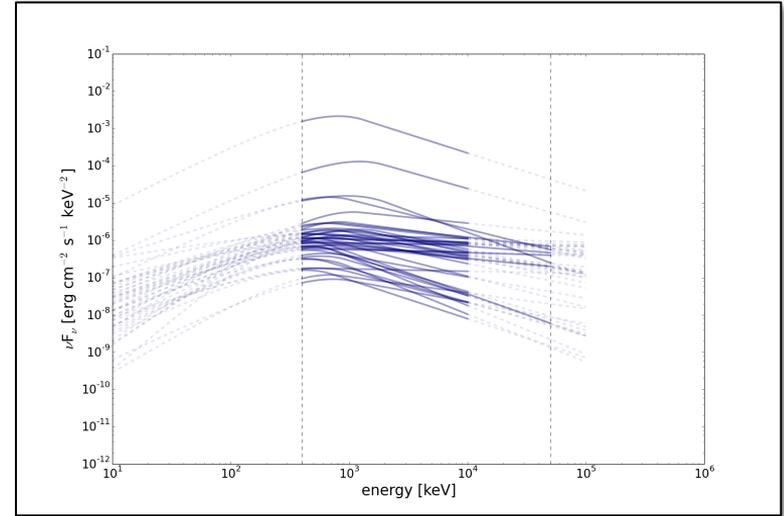
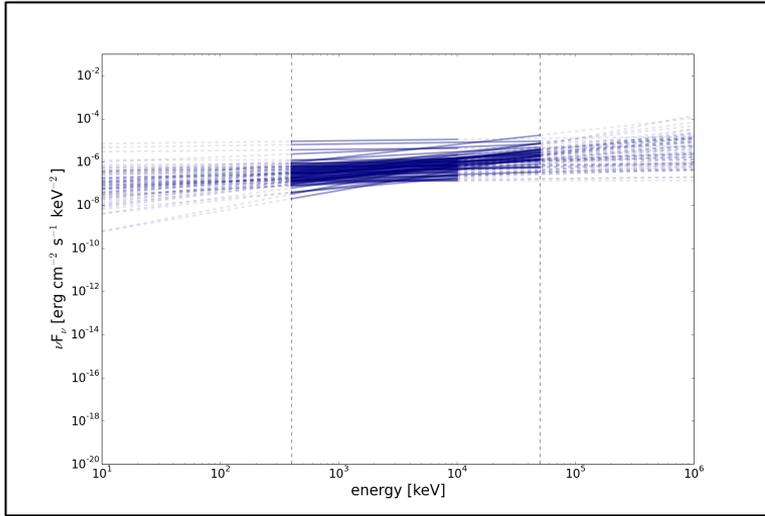
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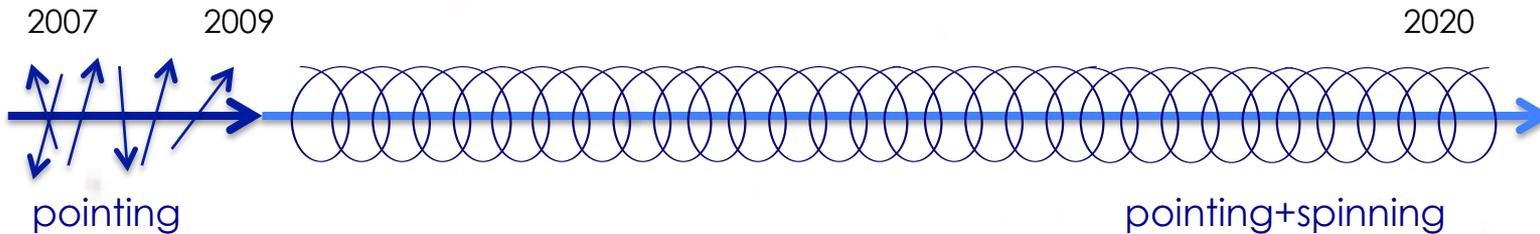
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extra components?
temporal behavior?
GRID association?
[next work]

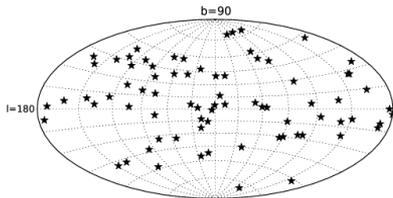
34 of which with LAT
detection

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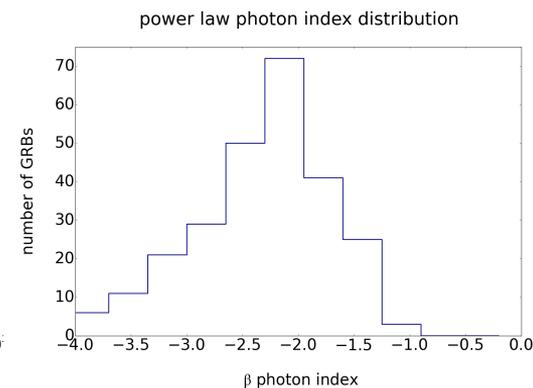
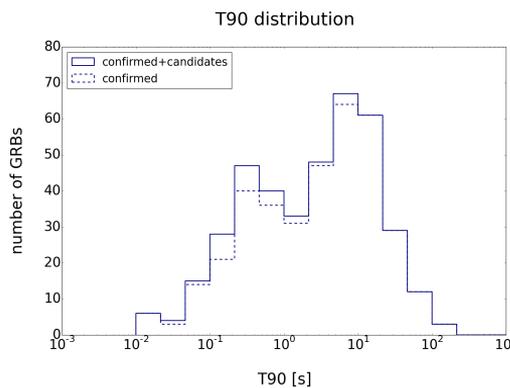
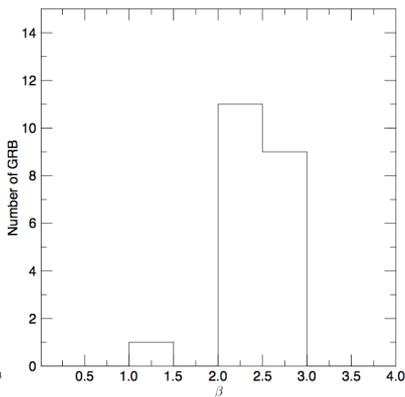
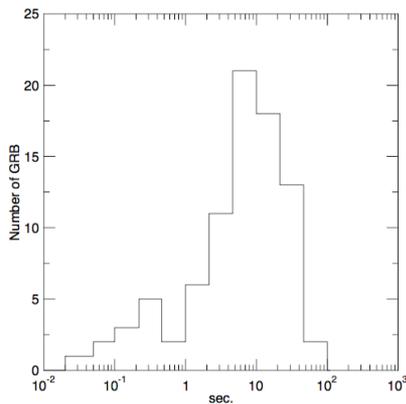
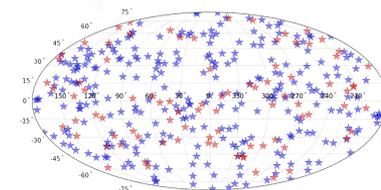
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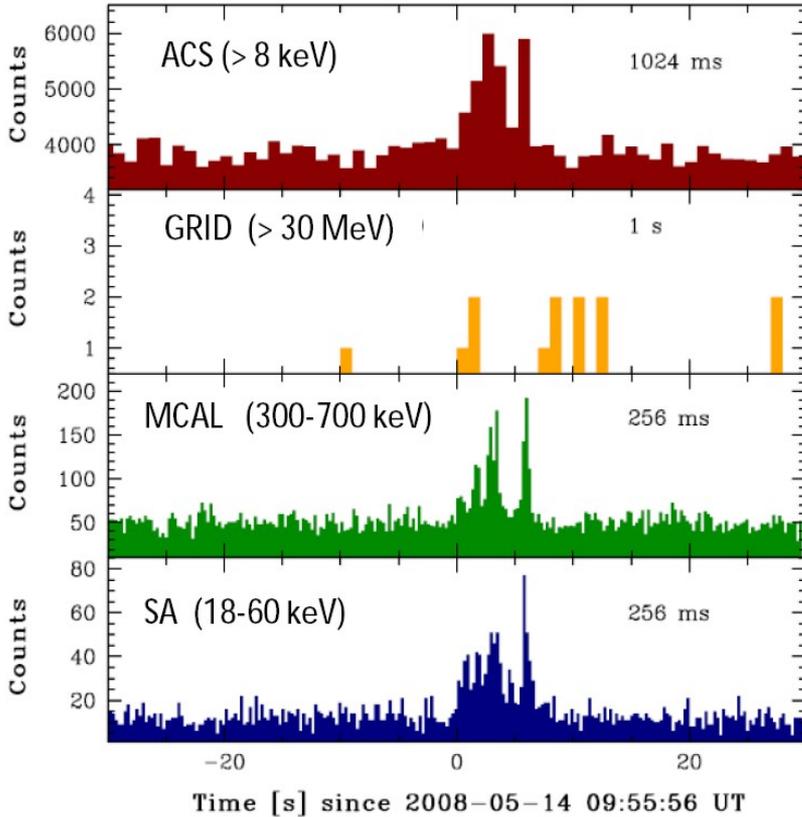


MCAL 2nd GRB catalog
[Ursi et al., submitt.]

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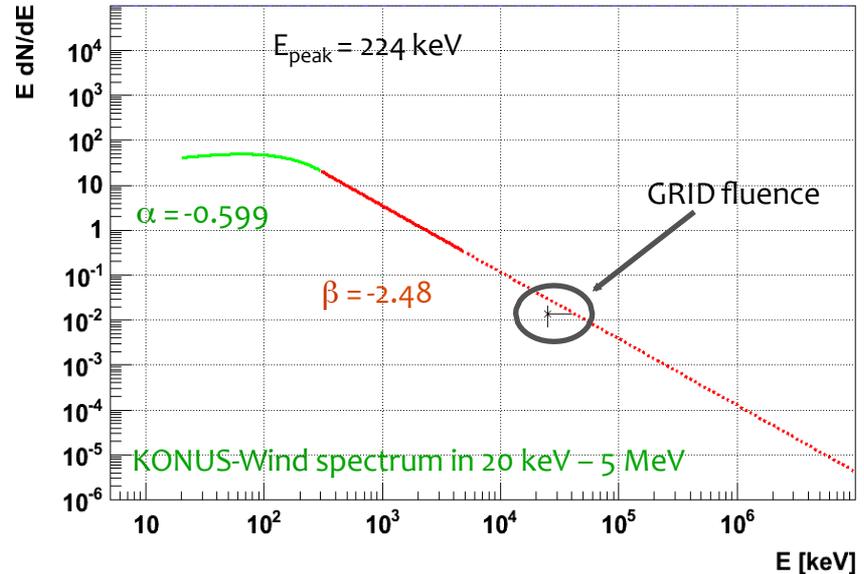


GRB 080514B [Giuliani et al., 2008]

- first GeV-bright GRB after EGRET
- afterglow with photometric redshift of 1.8

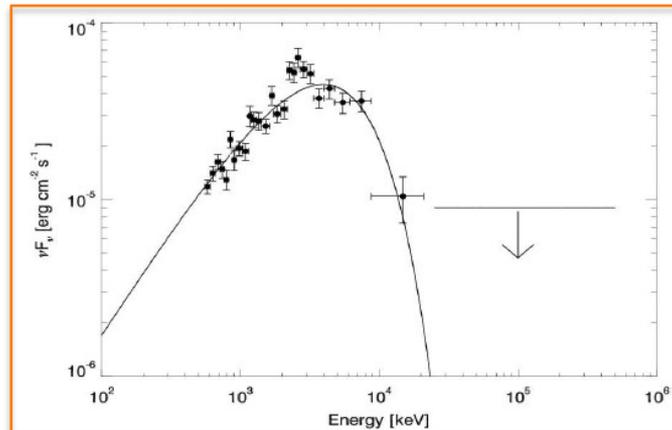
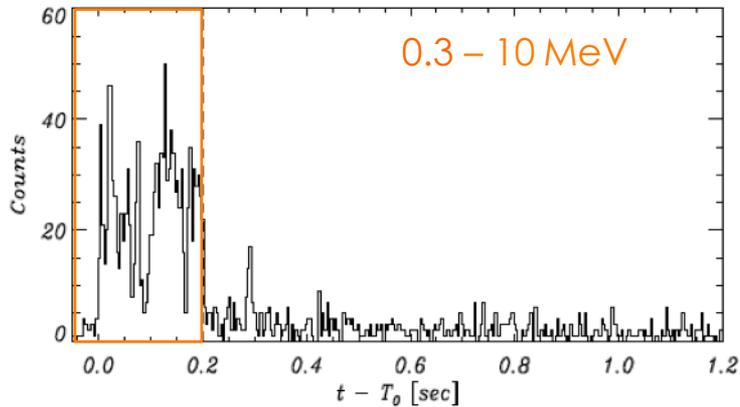
extended emission

same model



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MCAL

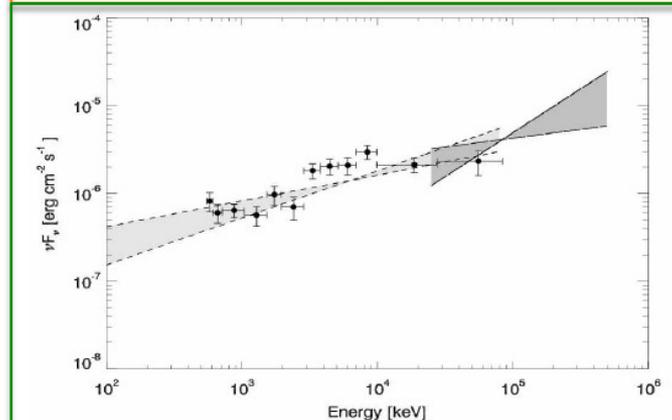
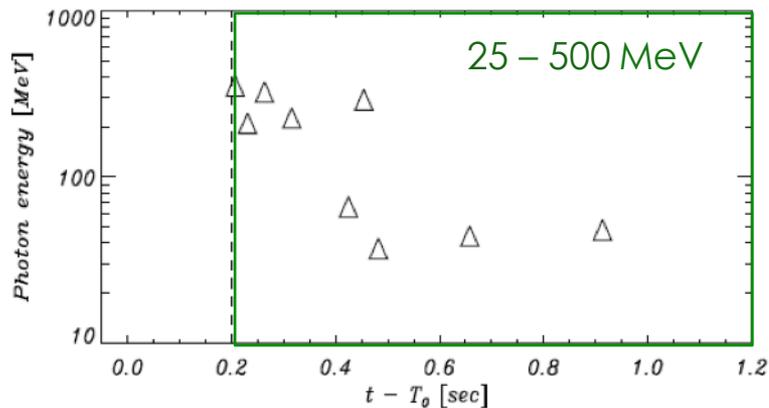


Powerlaw + cutoff

$$F = 1.8 \times 10^{-5} \text{ erg/cm}^2$$

(0.5 – 10 MeV)

GRID



Powerlaw

$$F = 3.1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ erg/cm}^2$$

(0.5 – 10 MeV)

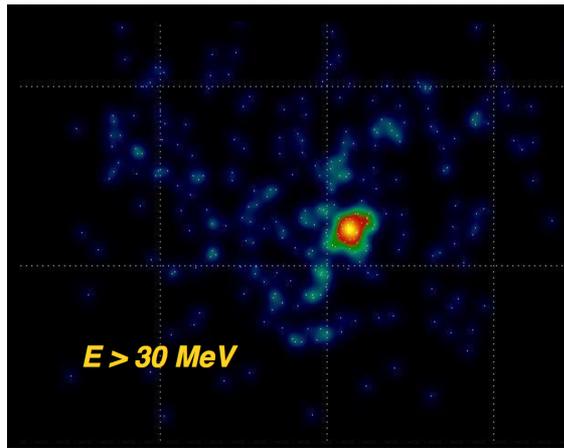
$$F = 2.9 \times 10^{-5} \text{ erg/cm}^2$$

(25 – 500 MeV)

GRB 090510 [Giuliani et al., 2010]

extended/delayed emission

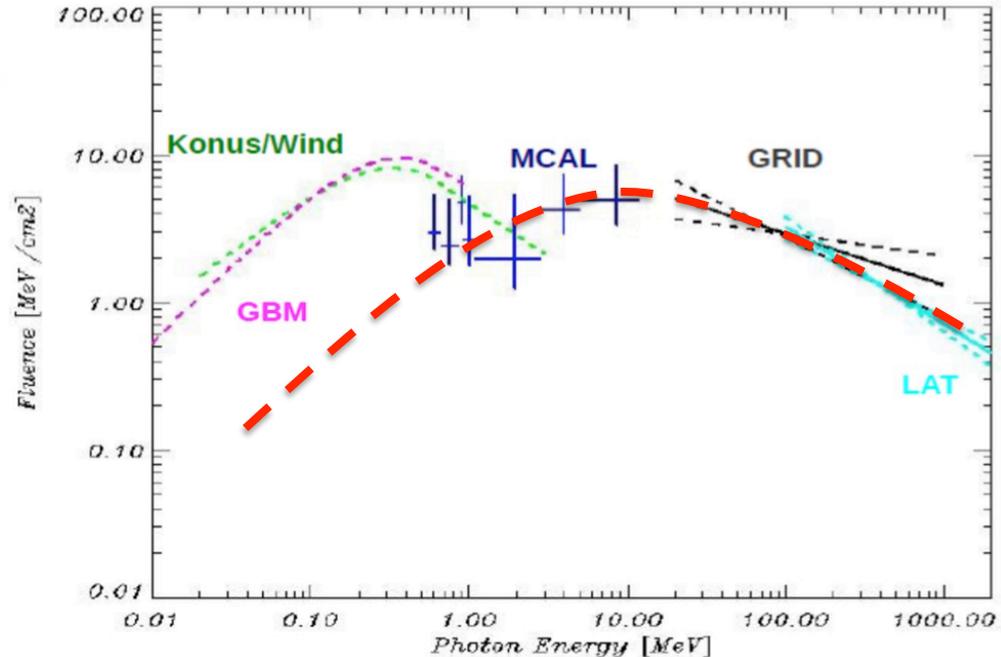
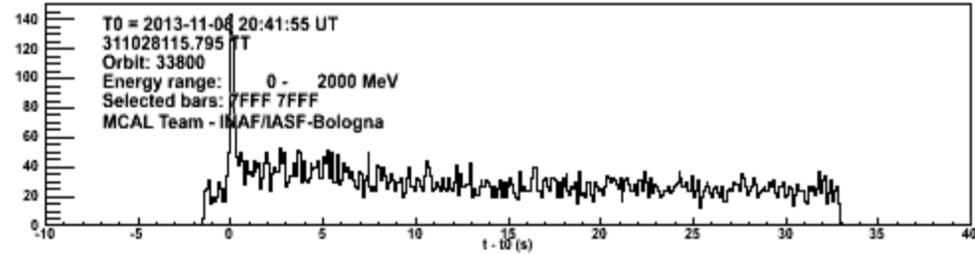
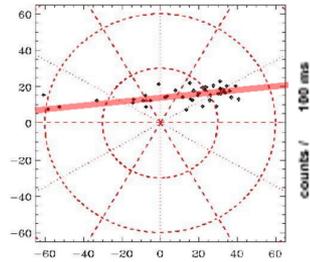
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GRB 131108A [Giuliani et al., 2014]

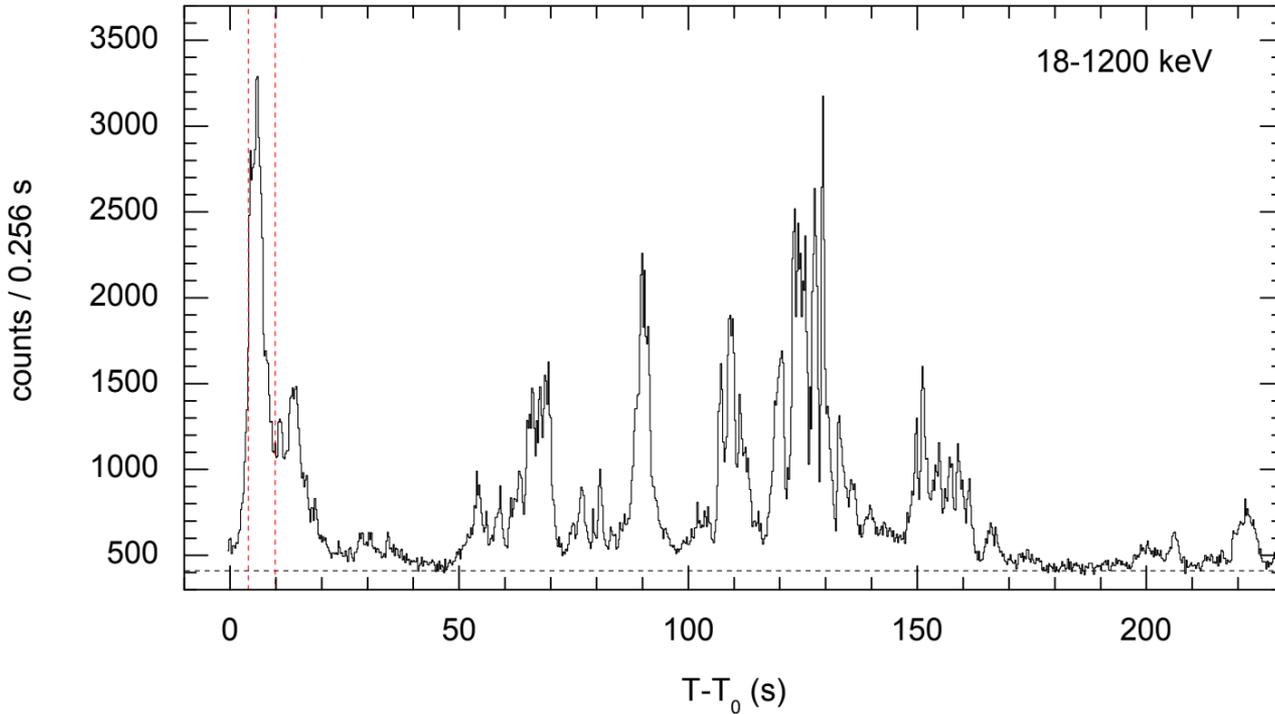
- 66 photons in first 80 s
- $F(30 \text{ MeV} - 1 \text{ GeV}) = 2.56 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ erg cm}^{-2}$
- $z = 2.4$

additive component



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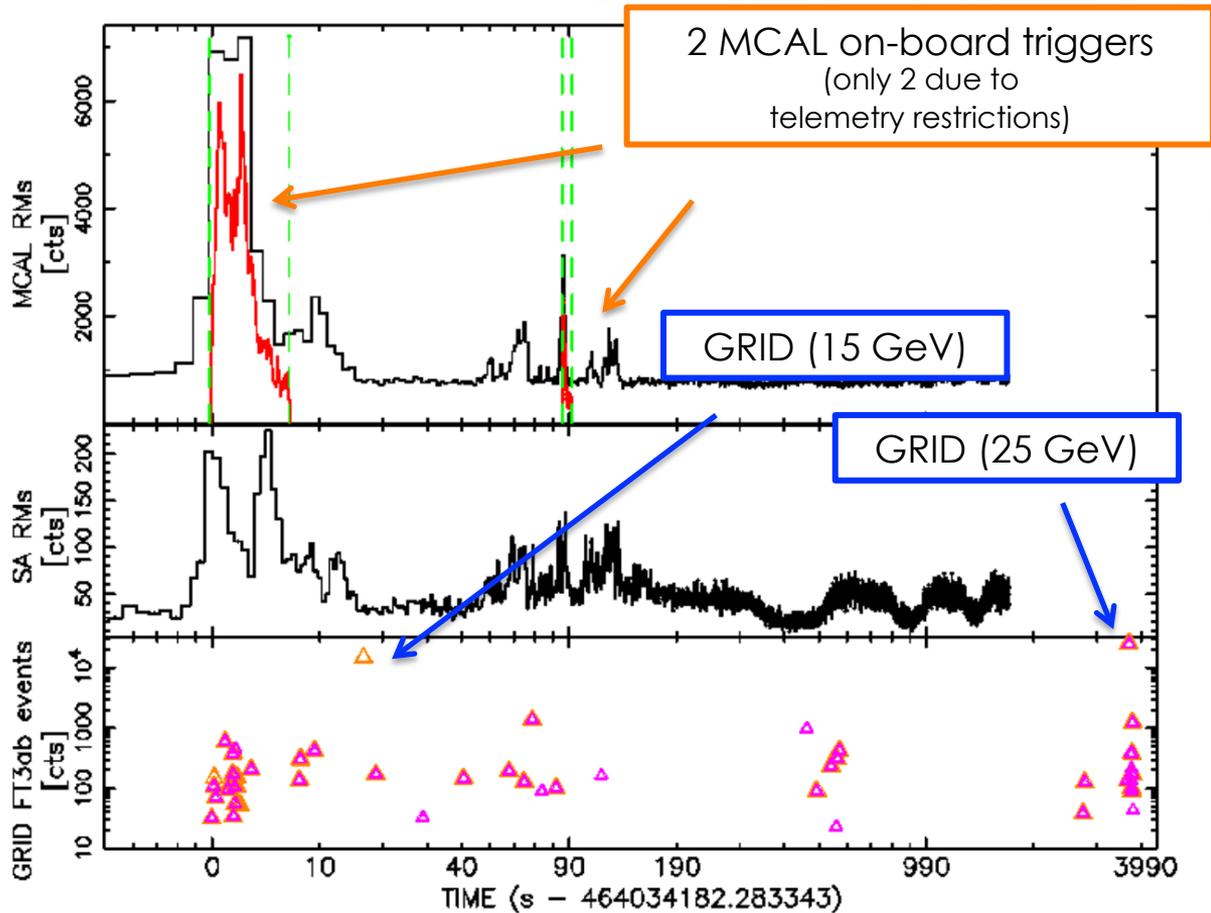
KONUS-Wind light curve



GRB 180914B

[courtesy of D. Frederiks]

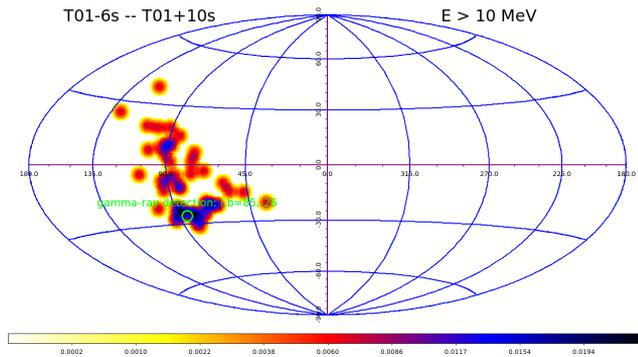
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prompt emission

extended/delayed emission

first AGILE/GRID localization as first!
(confirmed by Fermi/LAT)



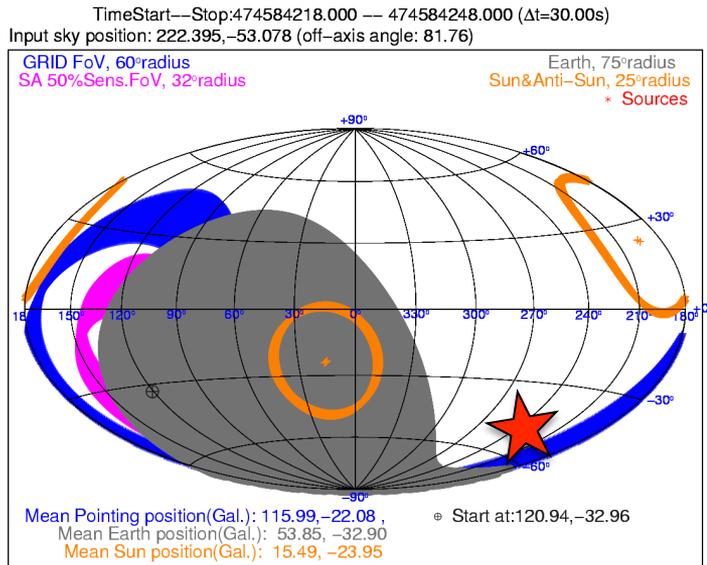
$z \sim 1.1$

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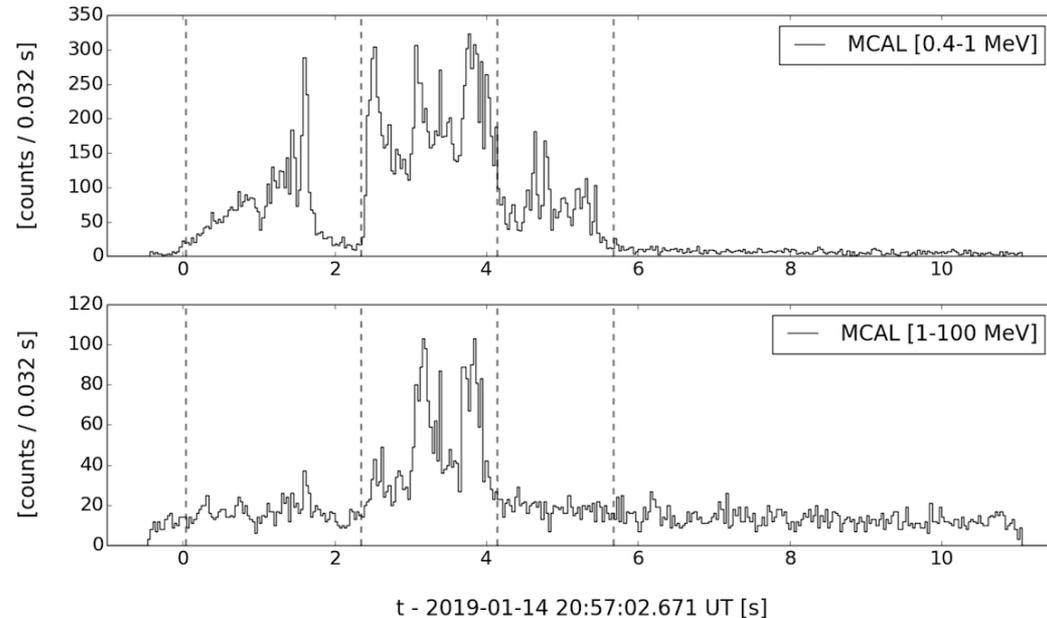
detected by MAGIC at $E > 300$ GeV

[*Nat.*, 2019]



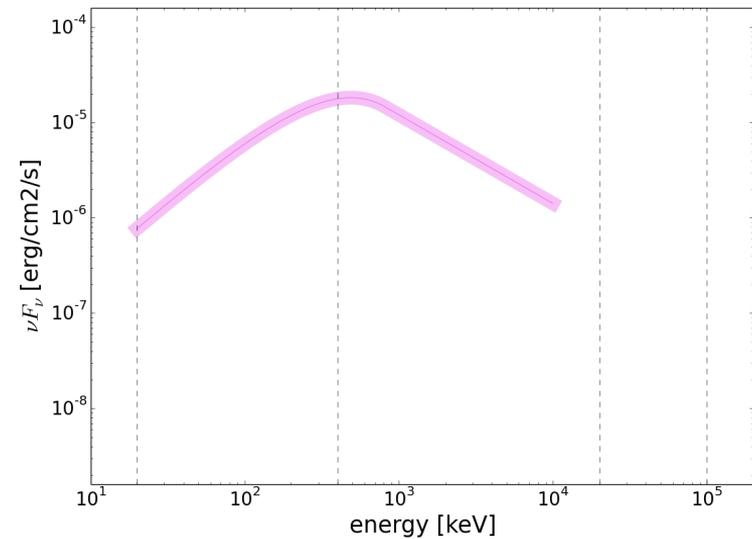
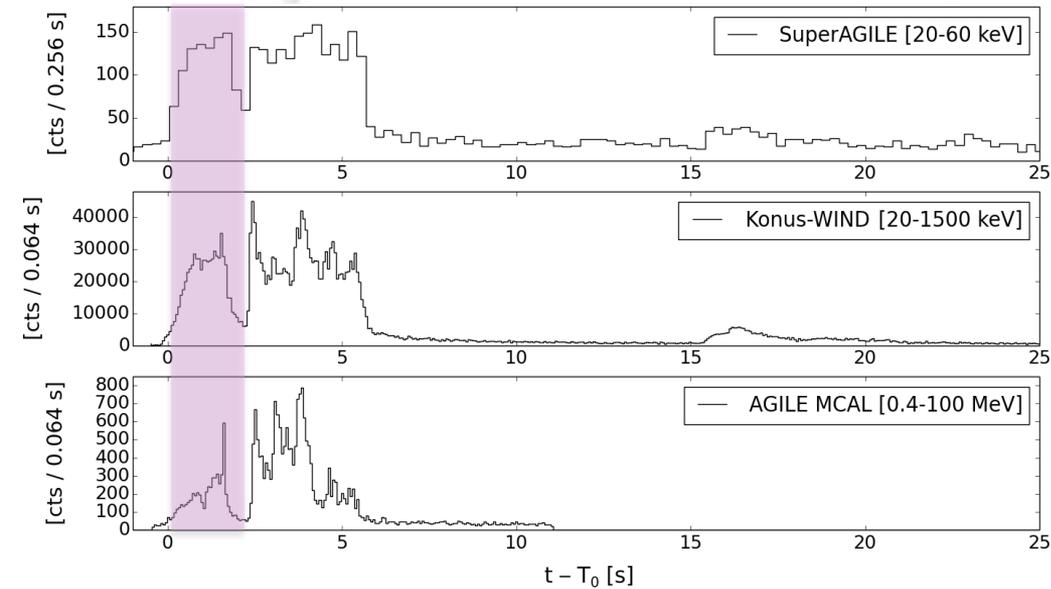
at T0 just outside GRID FoV!

but interesting MCAL...



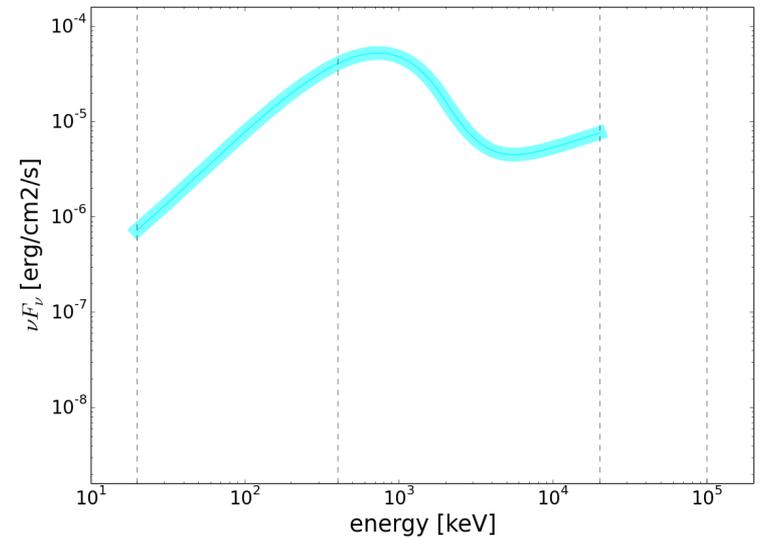
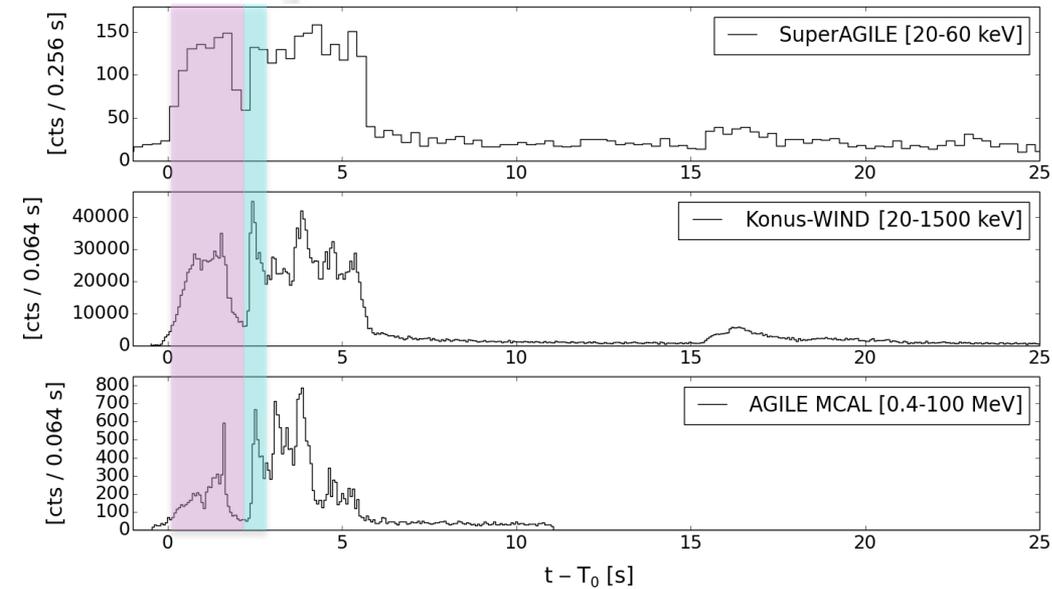
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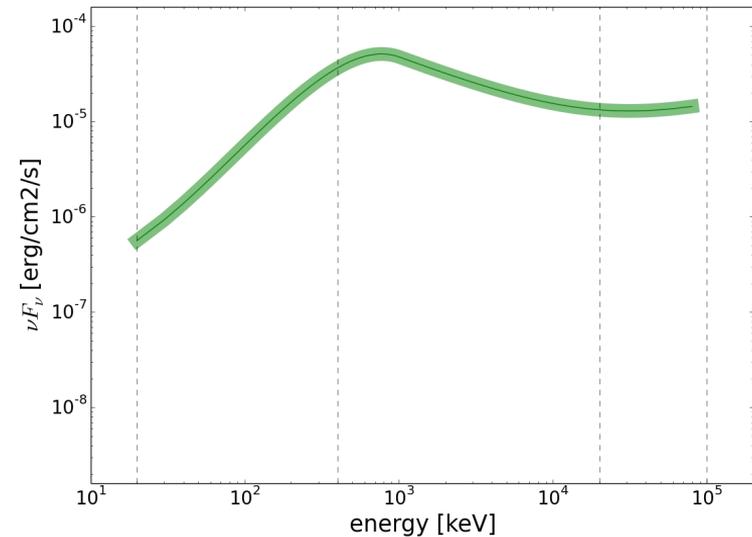
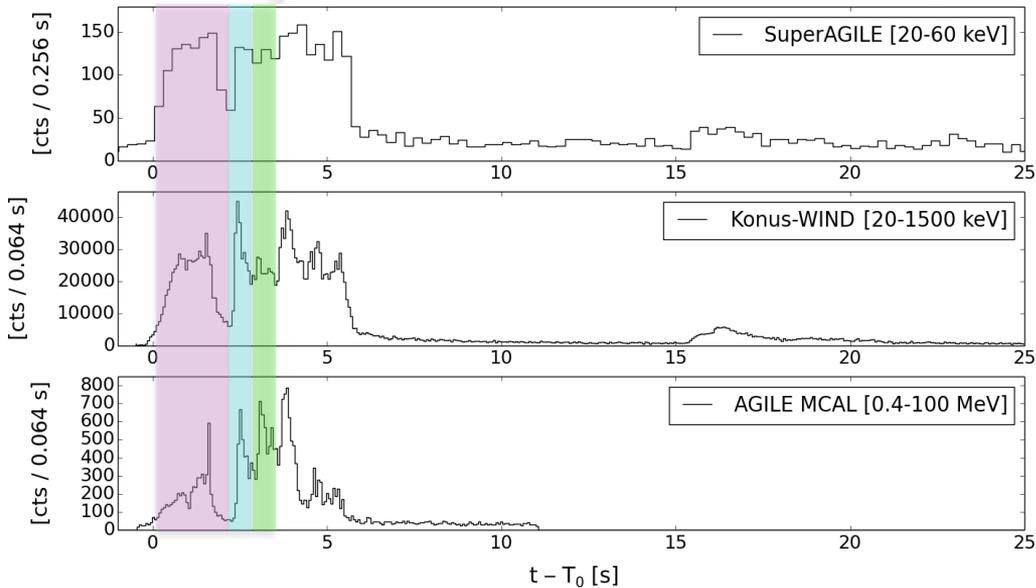
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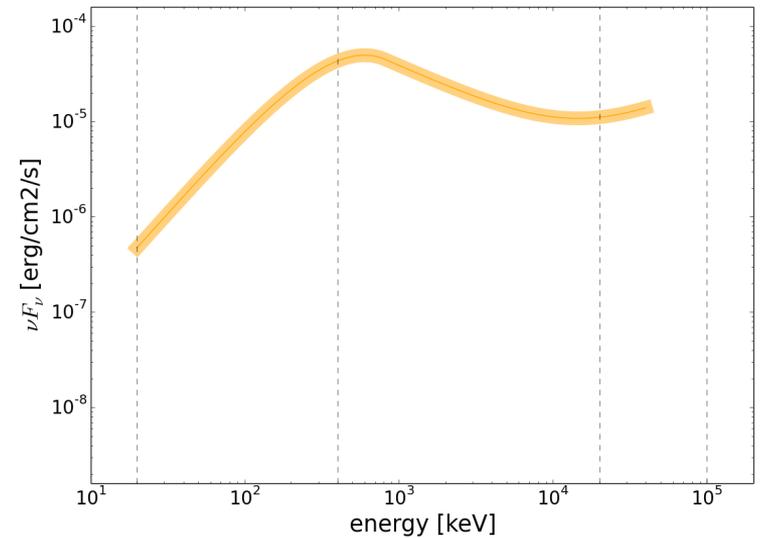
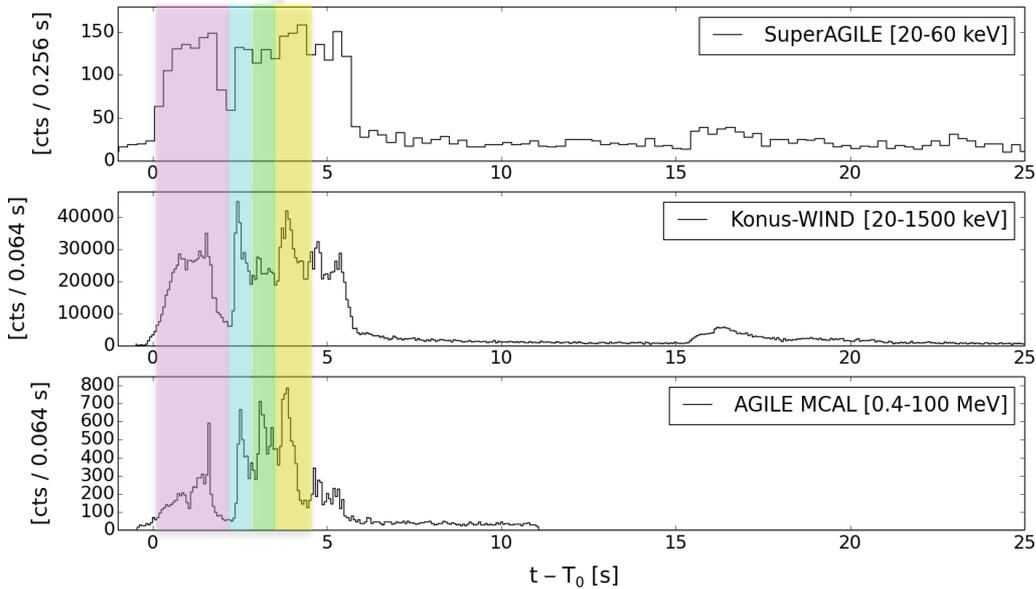
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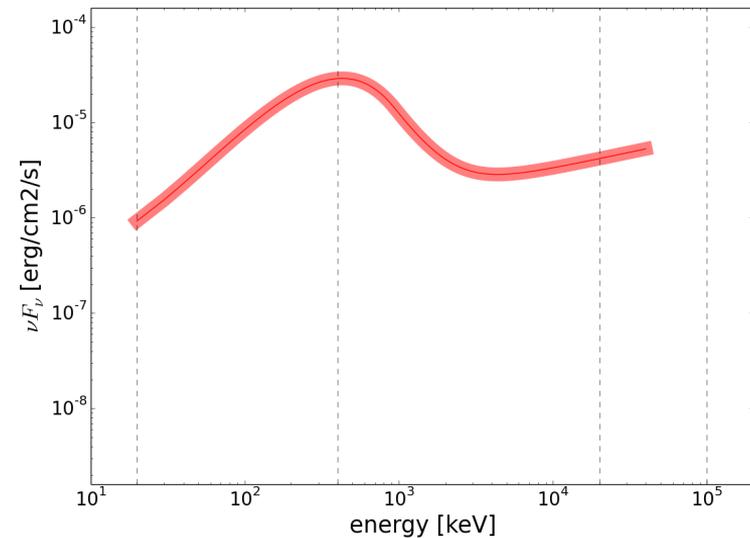
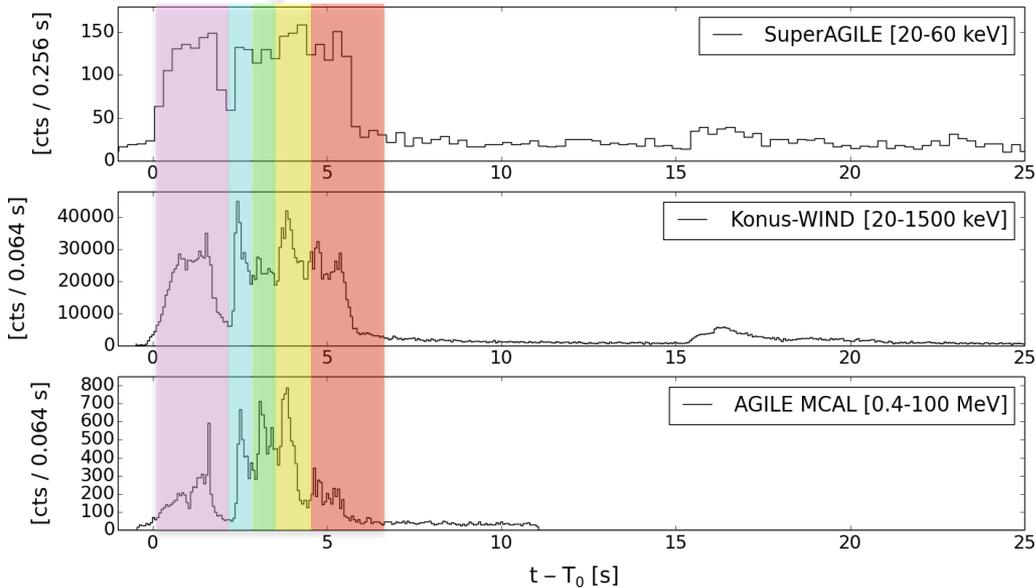
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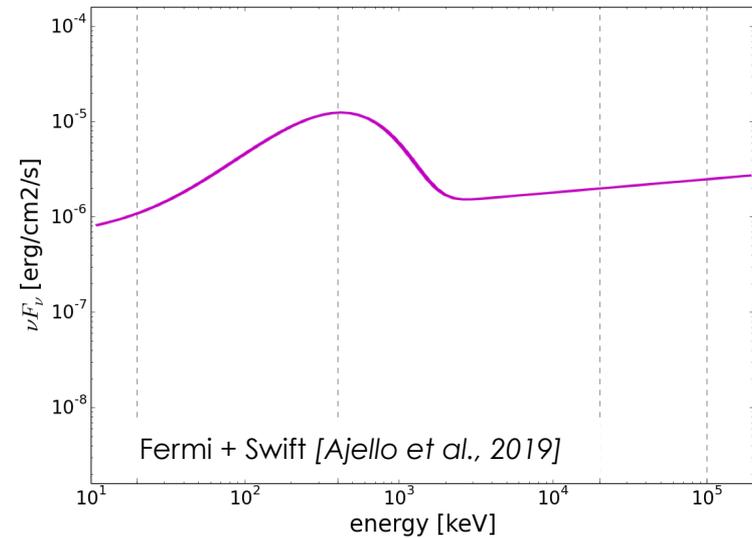
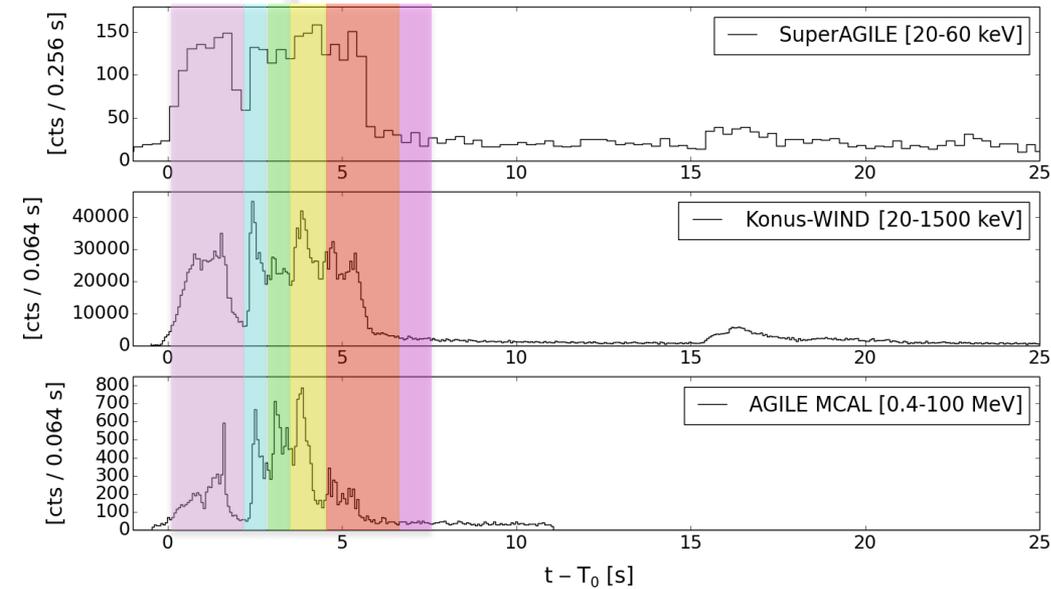
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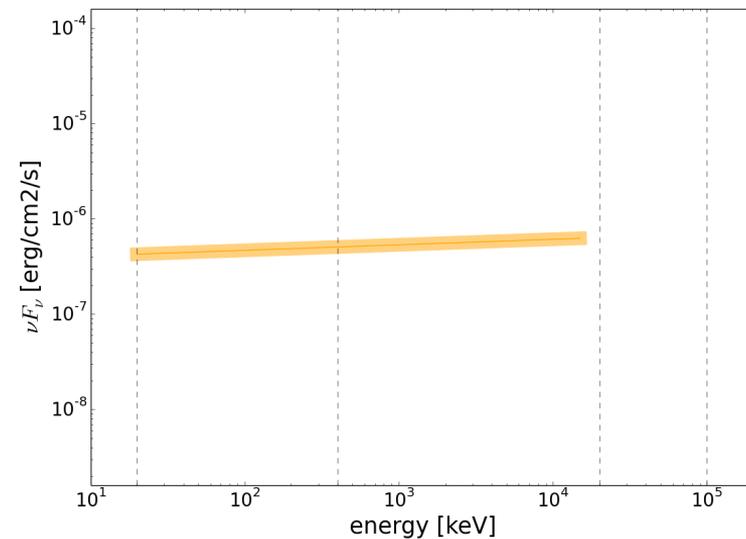
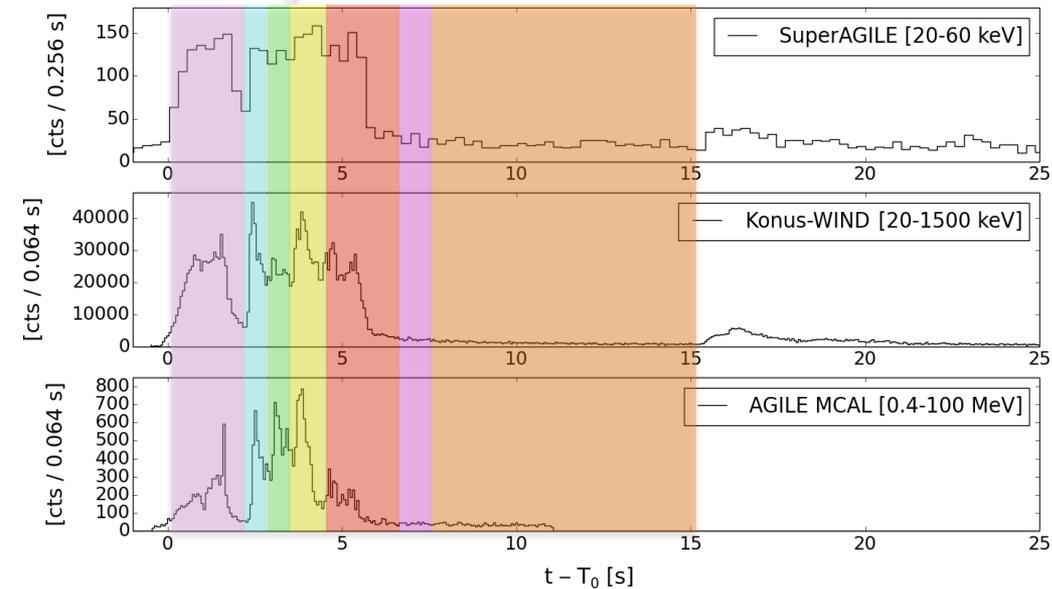


Band + he spectral component \rightarrow "V-shape" hardening

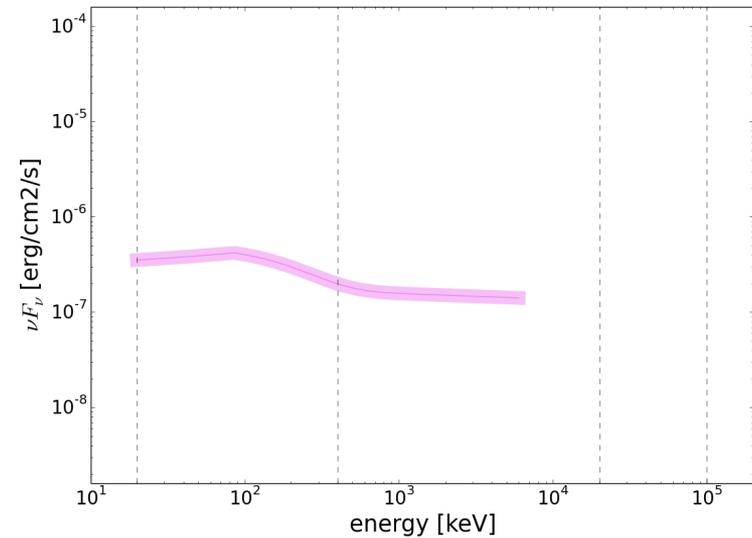
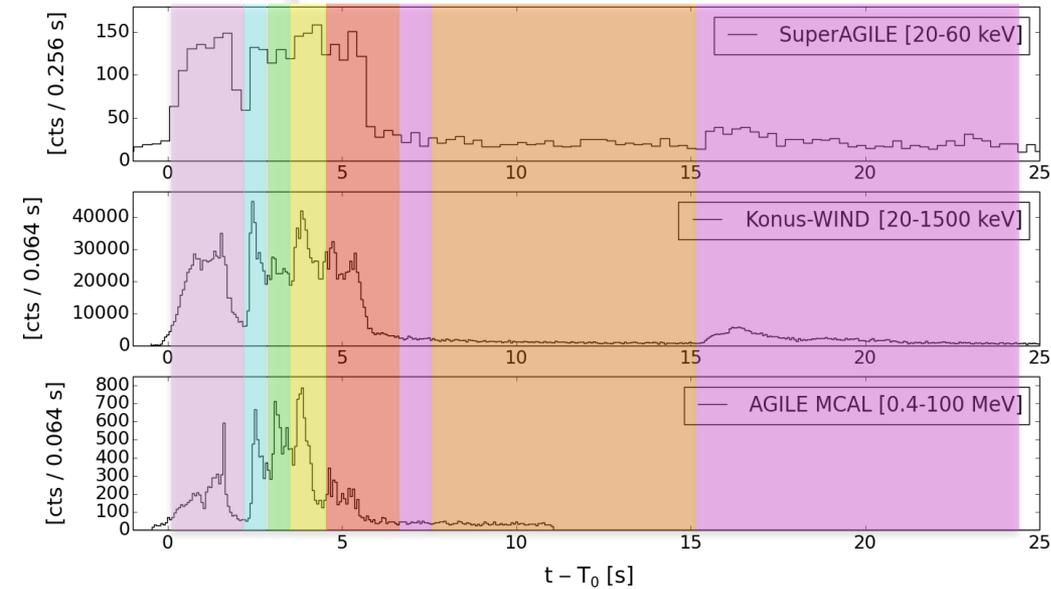
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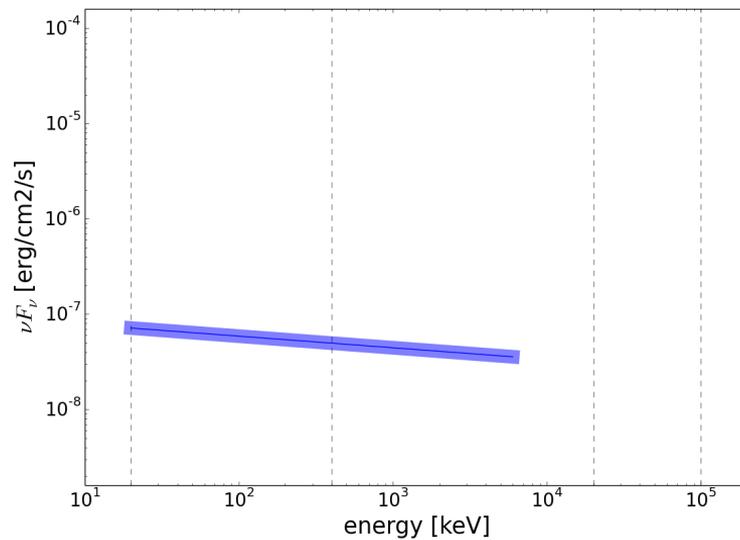
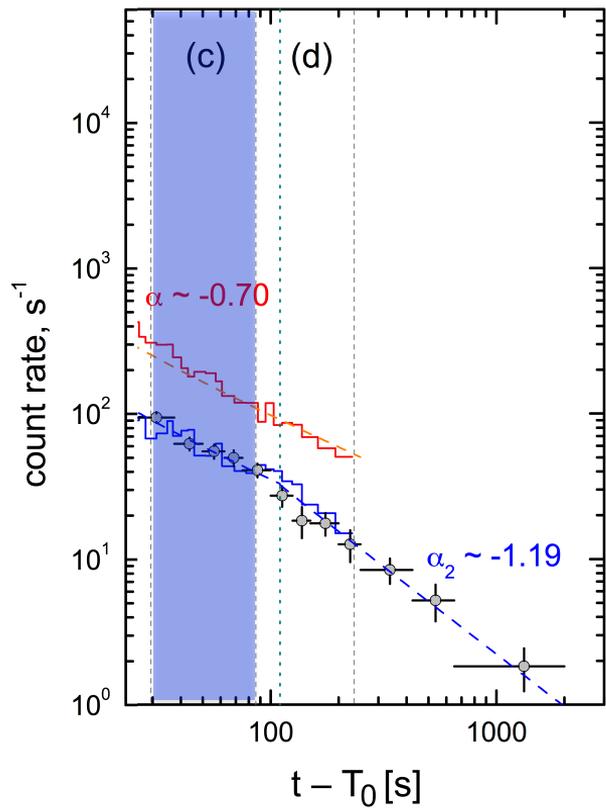
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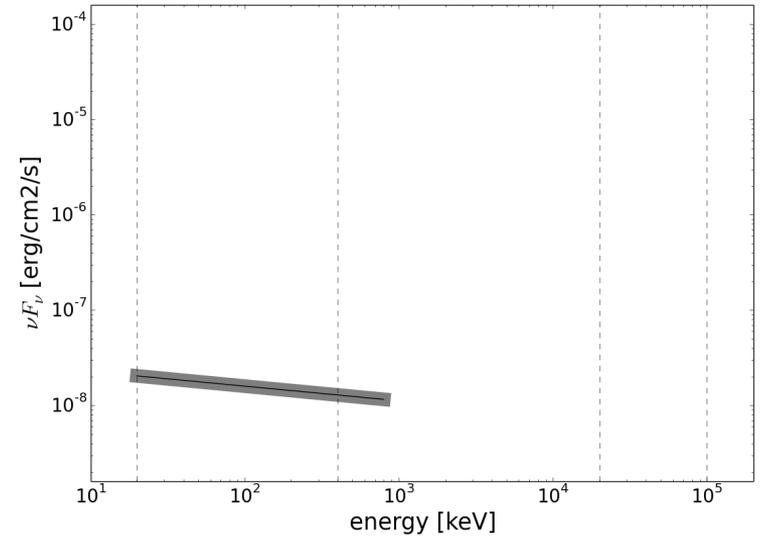
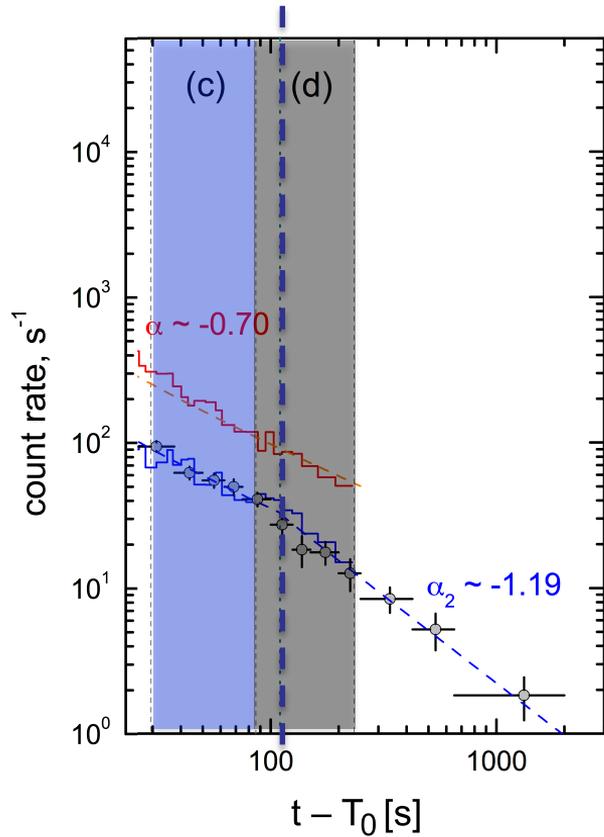
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flux break at $T_0 + 100$ s (KW, INTEGRAL)

radiative evolution of the early afterglow from a fireball expanding in a wind-like circumburst medium

Conclusions

- new MCAL GRB Catalog:
 - 503 triggered (393 fully acquired, 27 new)
 - mostly short-duration hard-spectrum GRBs
 - ~100 GRBs with high-energy spectra (PL+ or Band) and LAT detections
 - simultaneous RMs detections (20 keV – 100 MeV)
 - possible GRID associations?



Thank you