

Lecture XXV.

# Gamma-ray Bursts & Afterglows



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## Colloquium



### Einstein, Gravitational Waves and a New Science

Physics Building NPB-1002 (streamed into the lobby)

#### Barry Barish

Barry Barish, Linde Professor of Physics emeritus at the California Institute of Technology, has made important contributions in particle physics, gravitational physics, and astrophysics. He worked in neutrino physics at Fermilab, directed a magnetic monopole search at Grand Sasso, and was the spokesperson for the GEM detector at the SSC. (Guenakh Mitslemaker was also part of the GEM collaboration.)

In 1994 he took charge of the Laser Interferometer Gravitational-Wave Observatory (LIGO) project as principal investigator/director (1994–2005) and saw the project through construction, commissioning and the first science runs. As director he expanded the LIGO collaboration; the Florida LIGO group, led by Guenakh Mitselmakher, was the first new

Thursday, March 29, 4:05 pm  
Room 1002, New Physics Building



### Friday, March 30 (afternoon)

**Chairperson: David Tanner**

Time	Location	Event	Speaker
1: 45 pm	NPB-2205	Tevatron Legacy	Dmitri Denisov
2:10 pm	NPB-2205	True Measurements, False Discoveries	Tiziano Camporesi
2:35 pm	NPB-2205	LIGO Then and Now: UF's role in LIGO Over the Past Two Decades and LIGO's Plans for the Near Future	David Reitze
3:00 pm	NPB-2205	Searches for Continuous Gravitational Waves	Keith Riles
3:25 pm		Break	
3:45 pm	NPB-2205	Searches for gravitational wave bursts with LIGO	Sergey Klimenko
4:10 pm	NPB-2205	Comprehensive Multisensory Multimodal Integration in Astrophysics	Szabi Marka
4:35 pm	NPB-2205	Beyond Advanced LIGO: the third generation detectors	Rana Adhikari
5:00 pm		End	
6:30 pm	Thomas Center	Dinner Venue	

### Saturday, March 31 (morning)

**Chairperson: Andrey Korytov**

Time	Location	Event	Speaker

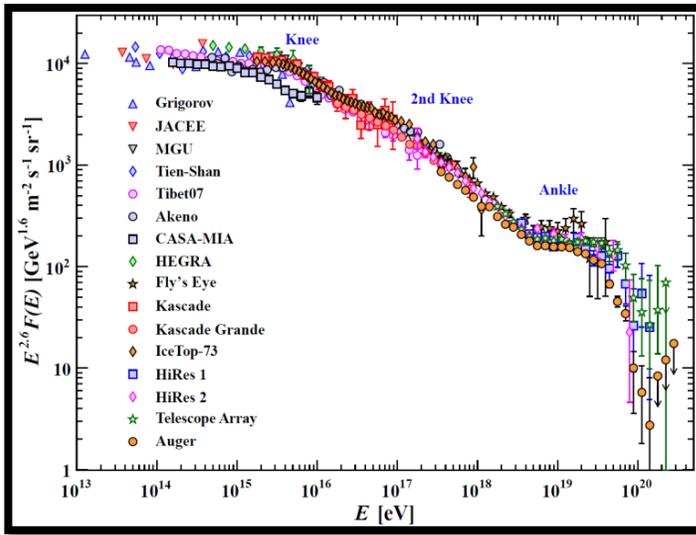
# HW: Neutrino spectrum from starburst galaxies

Distribution of galaxy luminosities (Schechter function):

$$\Phi(L)dL = \left(\frac{\Phi^*}{L^*}\right)\left(\frac{L}{L^*}\right)^\alpha \exp\left(-\frac{L}{L^*}\right)dL$$

$$L_{MW} \sim 1 M_\odot \text{yr}^{-1}$$

Cosmic rays above  $10^{15}$  eV  
escape from the Milky Way.

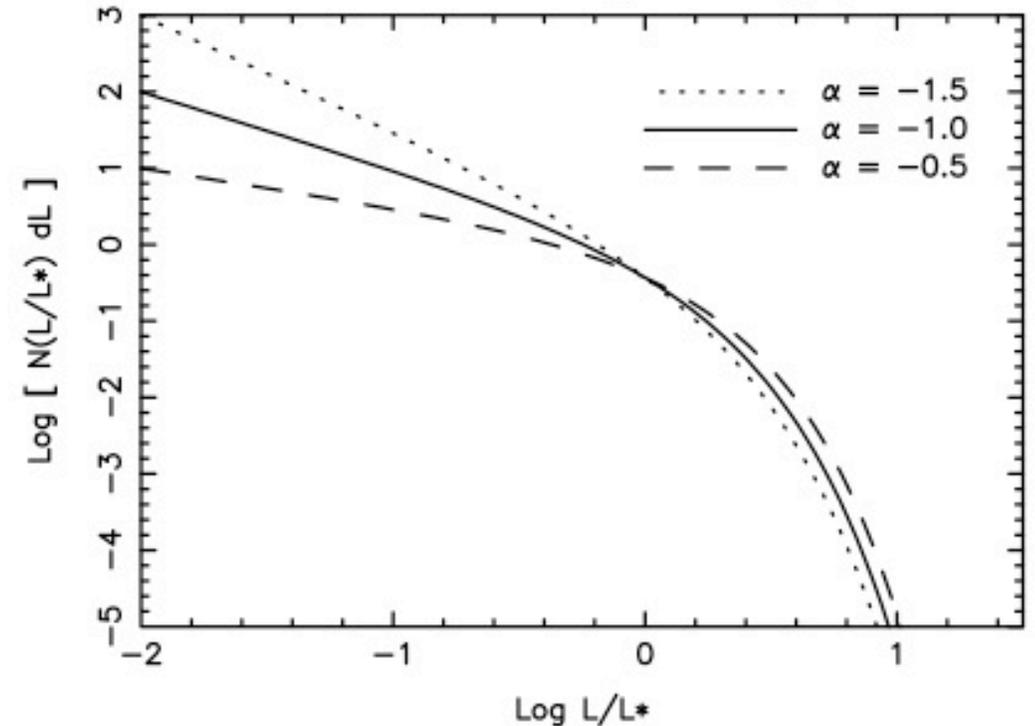


$$\alpha = 1.4$$

$$L^* = 625 M_\odot \text{yr}^{-1}$$

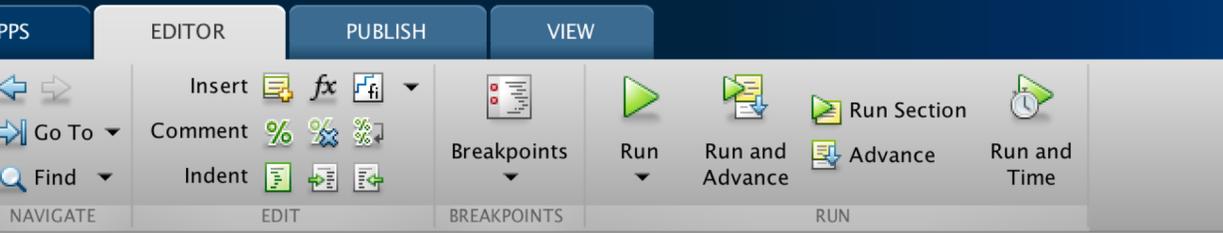
$$\Phi^* = 2.2 \times 10^5 \text{ Mpc}^{-3}$$

Schechter Luminosity Function (dL)



- Cosmic rays are emitted by sources (e.g. GRB/supernovae) within galaxies with  $dN/dE \sim E^{-2}$  spectrum.
- Neutrinos are produced with energy  $\sim 5\%$  of the interacting cosmic ray's energy.

HW: What will be the power spectral density of neutrinos observed from the Universe?



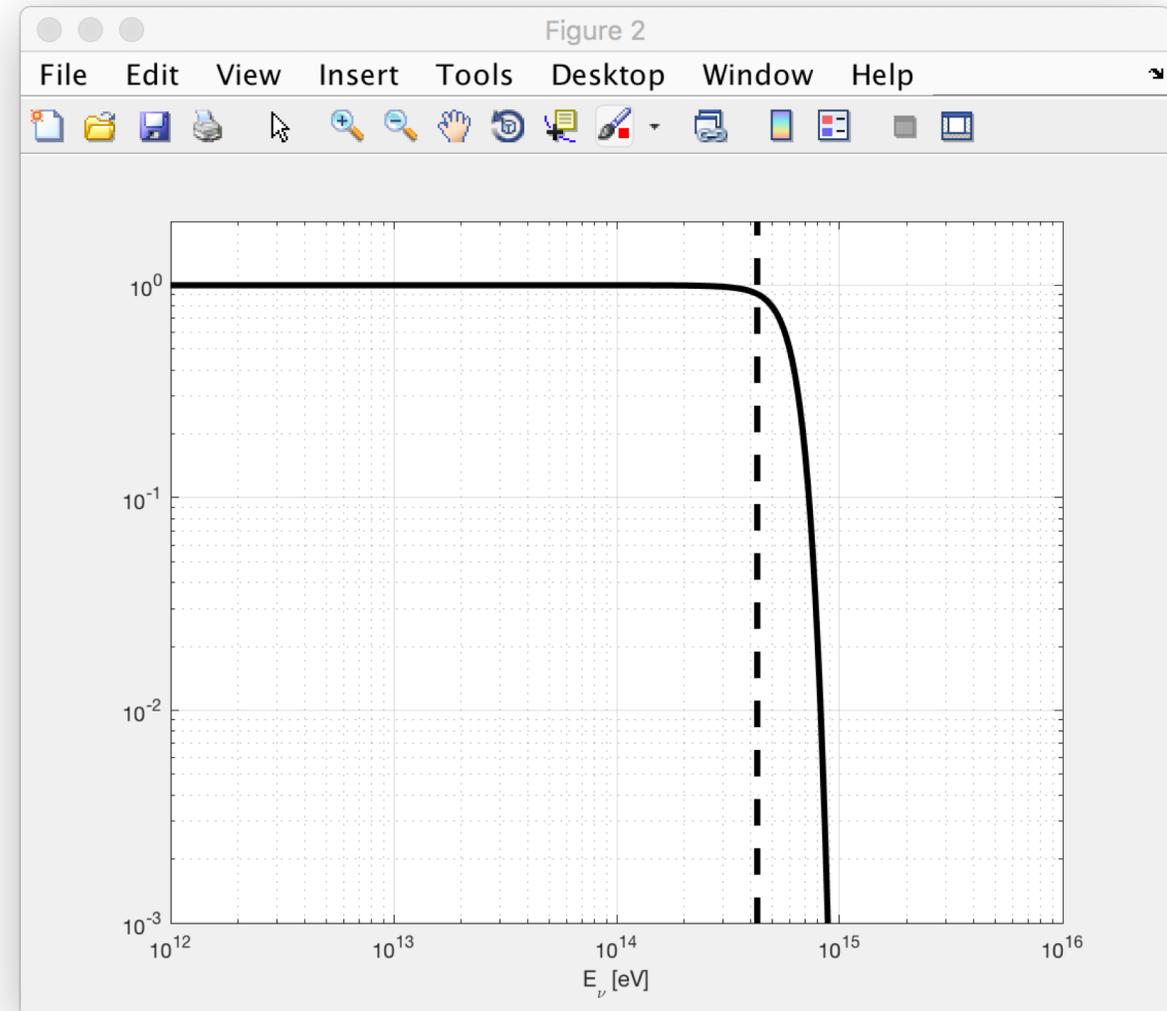
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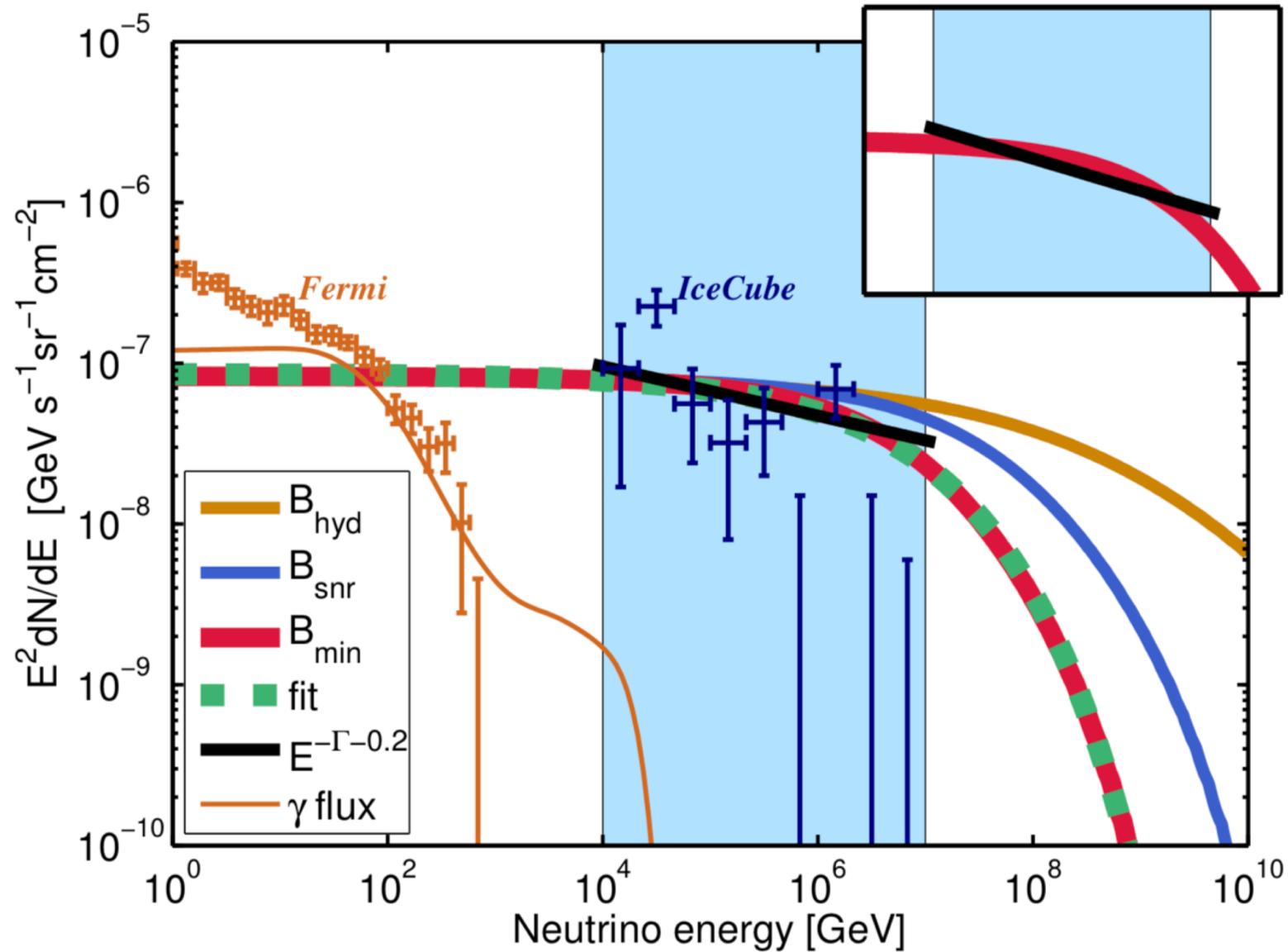
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1 function NeutrinoSpectrum()
2 % Modern Astrophysics PHY7097 HW #3 solution
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4 % neutrino spectral range over which we want results
5 E_nu = logspace(9, 20, 1000);
6
7 % parameters
8 alpha = 1.4;
9 Lstar = 625; % [Mstar yr^-1]
10 E_cut_MW = 5*10^13; % [eV]
11 L_MW = 1; % [Msun yr^-1]
12
13
14 % calculate result
15 for i=1:length(E_nu)
16     Phi_nu(i) = gammainc(1+alpha, L_MW * (E_nu(i)/E_cut_MW)^3/Lstar);
17 end;
18
19 % plot
20 figure(2)
21 loglog(E_nu,Phi_nu, 'k', 'LineWidth', 3);
22 xlabel('E_{\nu} [eV]');
23 grid on;
24 ylim([10^-3 2])
25 xlim([10^12 10^16])
26 % also plot cutoff for Lstar
27 E_Lstar_cut = E_cut_MW * (Lstar / L_MW)^(1/3);
28 hold on;
29 plot([1 1]*E_Lstar_cut, [10^-3 2], 'k--', 'LineWidth', 3);
30 hold off;
31
32 return

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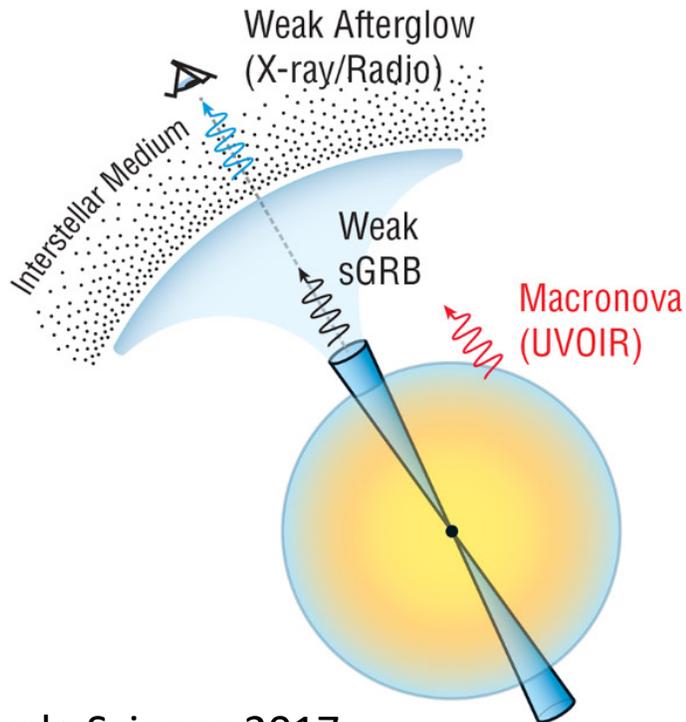
# Homework



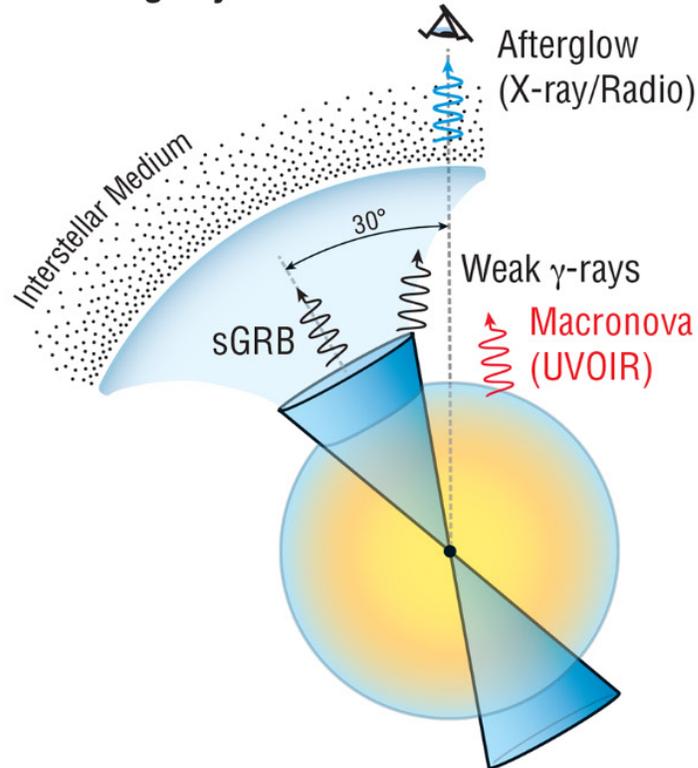
# Gamma-ray burst

- Very weak --- energy orders of magnitude below weakest GRB detected
- Short-hard --- consistent with binary neutron star picture
- Host galaxy --- low star formation, probably very old NSs (Blanchard+ 2017)
- X-ray/Radio delay (9 and 15 days) --- unusual, consistent with off-axis scenario
- There was a GRB → merger remnant collapsed to a black hole
- 1.7 s delay --- e.g. jet propagation before shock
- Fundamental limits: Constraint on speed of gravity:  $\sim 10^{-15}c$  | rules out DM emulators | etc.

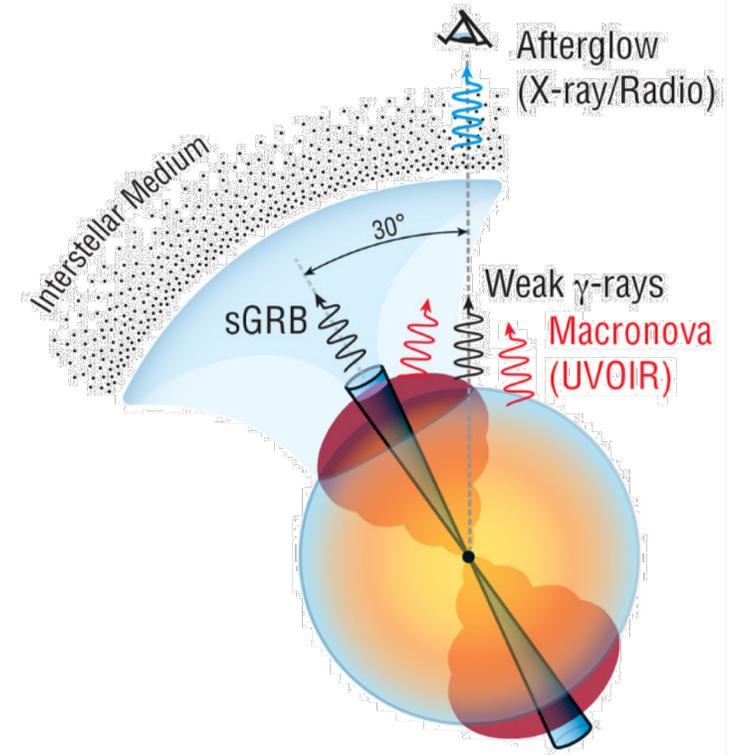
**A On-axis Weak sGRB**



**B Slightly Off-Axis Classical sGRB**

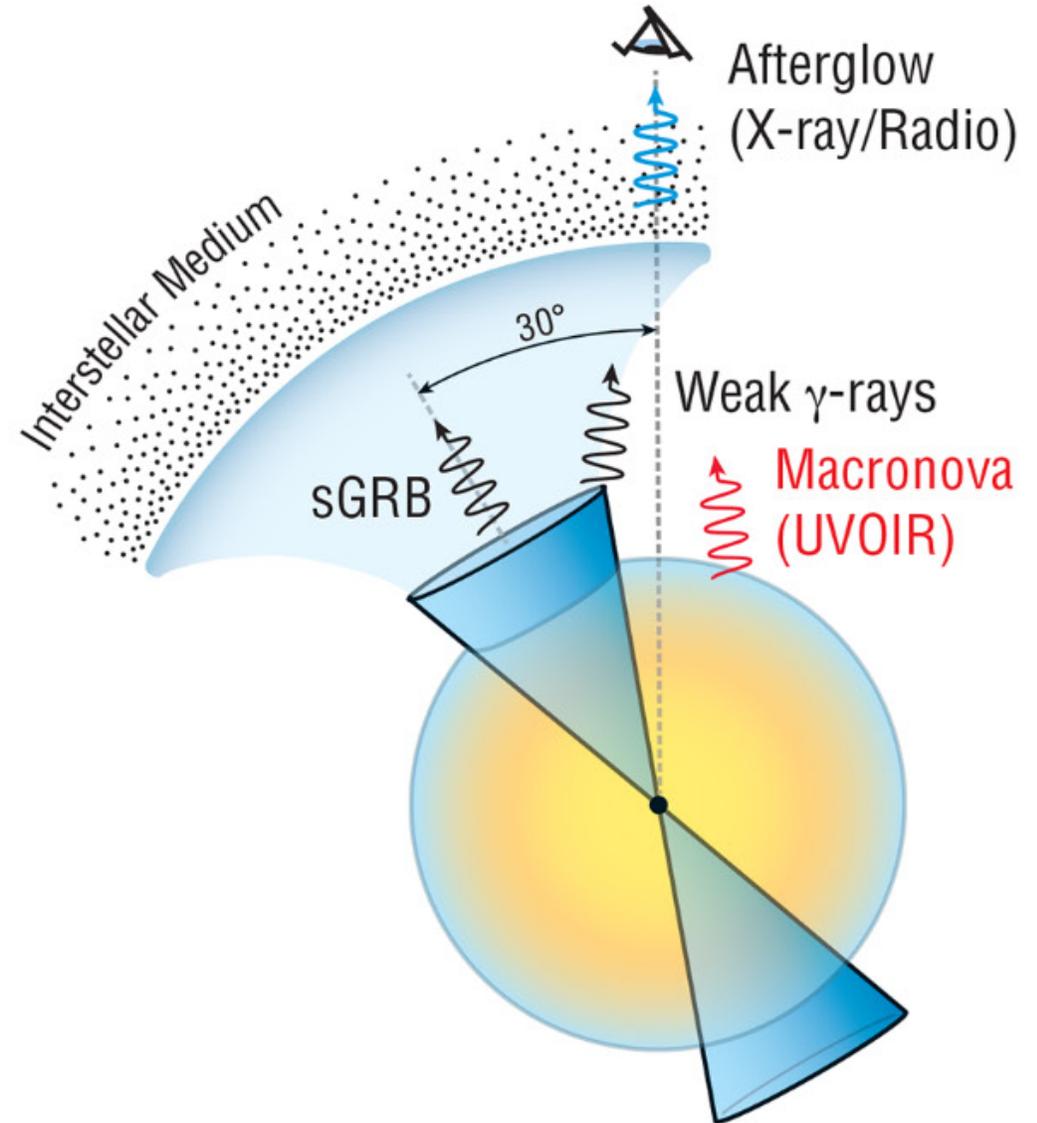


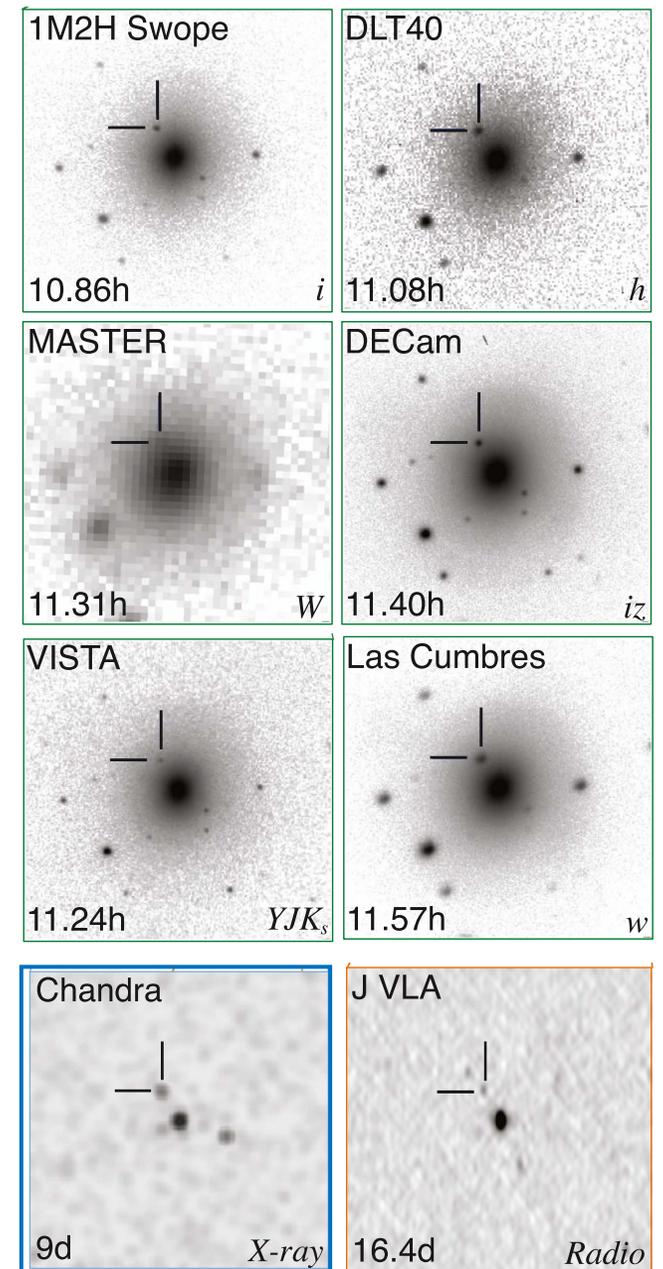
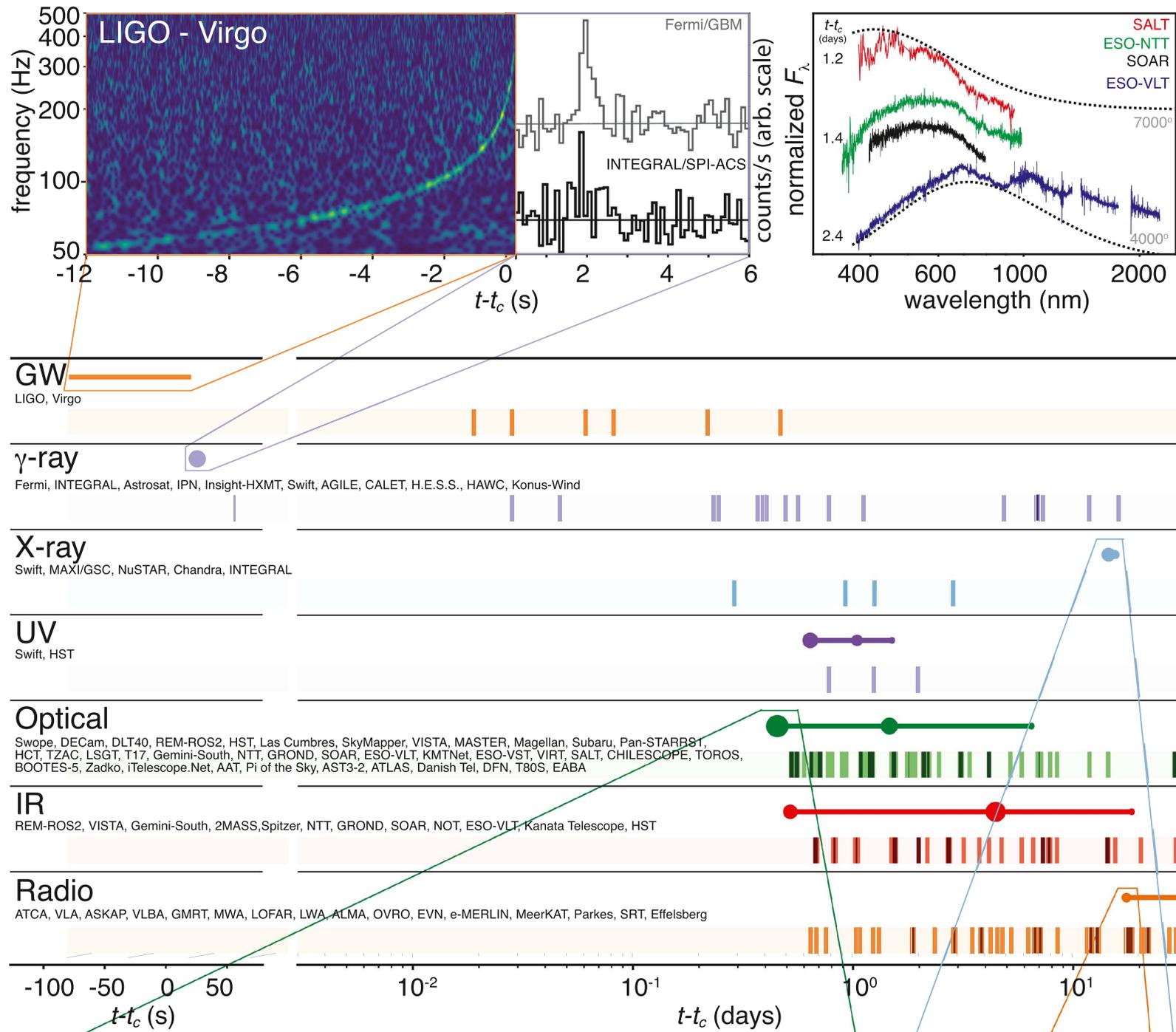
**D On-axis Cocoon with Off-Axis Jet**



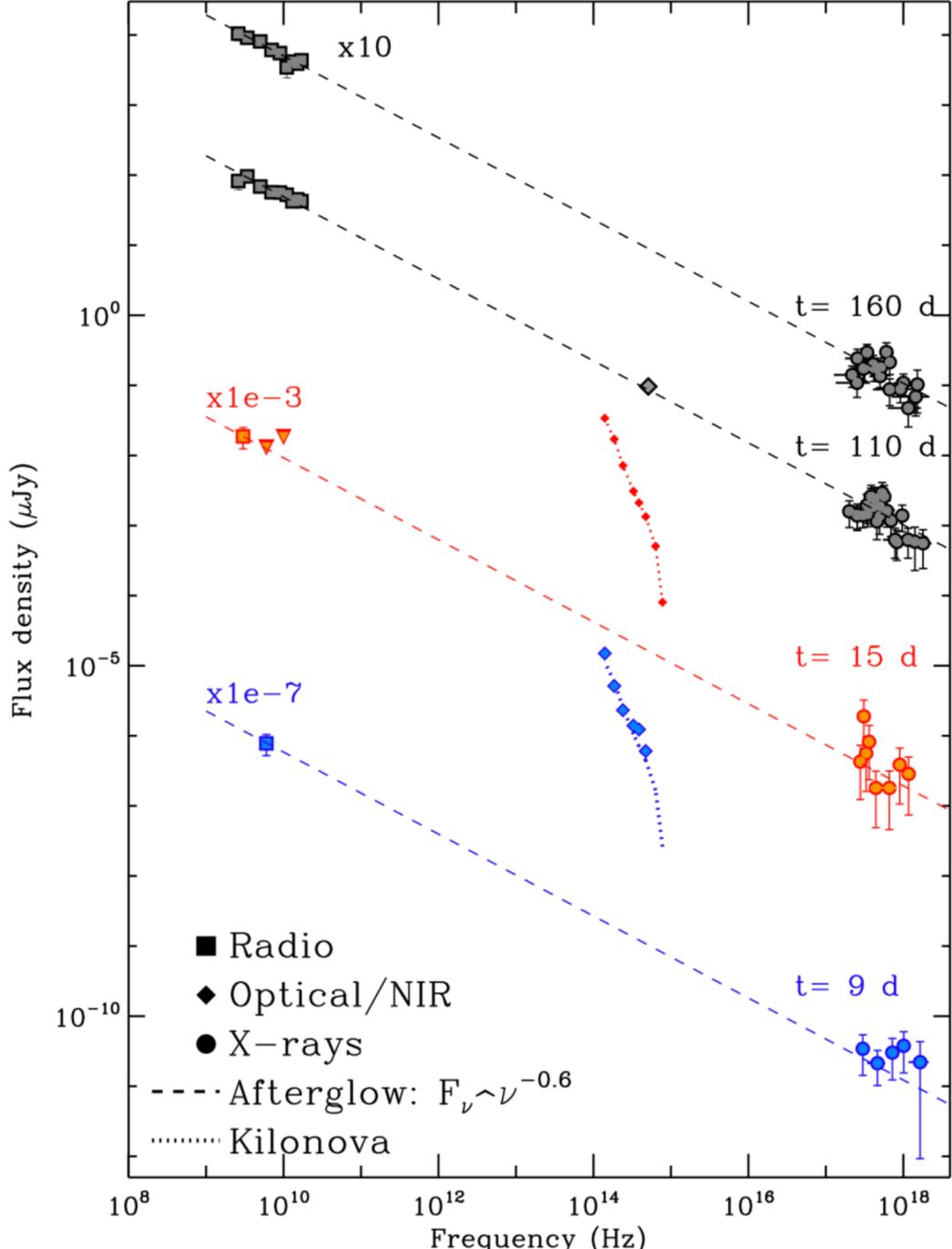
# Off-axis?

We approximated the observed off-axis spectral fluence,  $F_{\text{off}}(E)$ , for these models using  $F_{\text{off}}(E) = \eta F_{\text{on}}(E/\eta)$ , where the scaling factor  $\eta = \delta(\theta_{\text{obs}})/\delta(0)$  accounts for different Doppler factors  $\delta(\theta_{\text{obs}}) = [\Gamma(1 - \beta \cos(\theta_{\text{obs}} - \theta_j))]^{-1}$  (Granot et al. 2002).

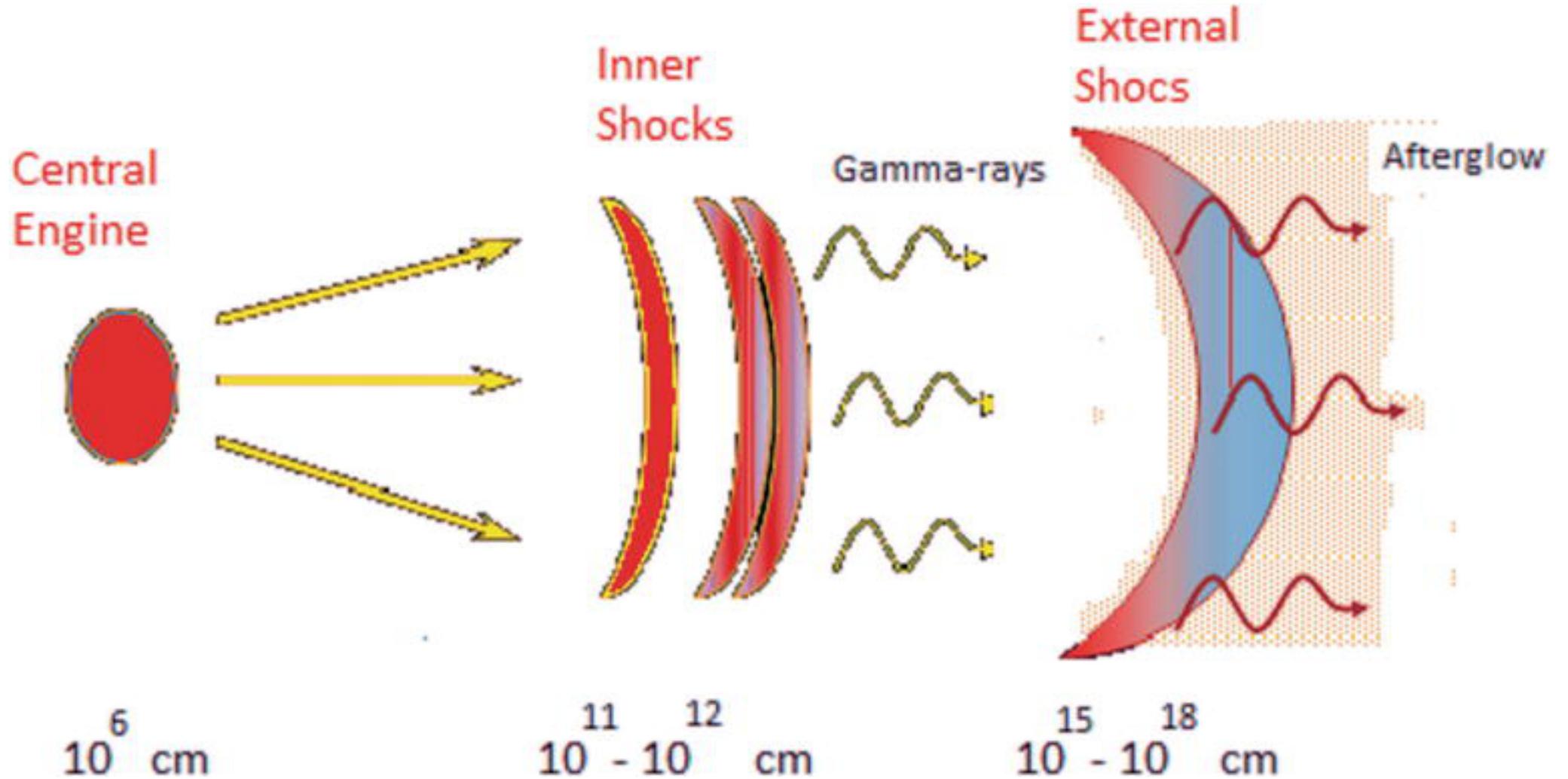




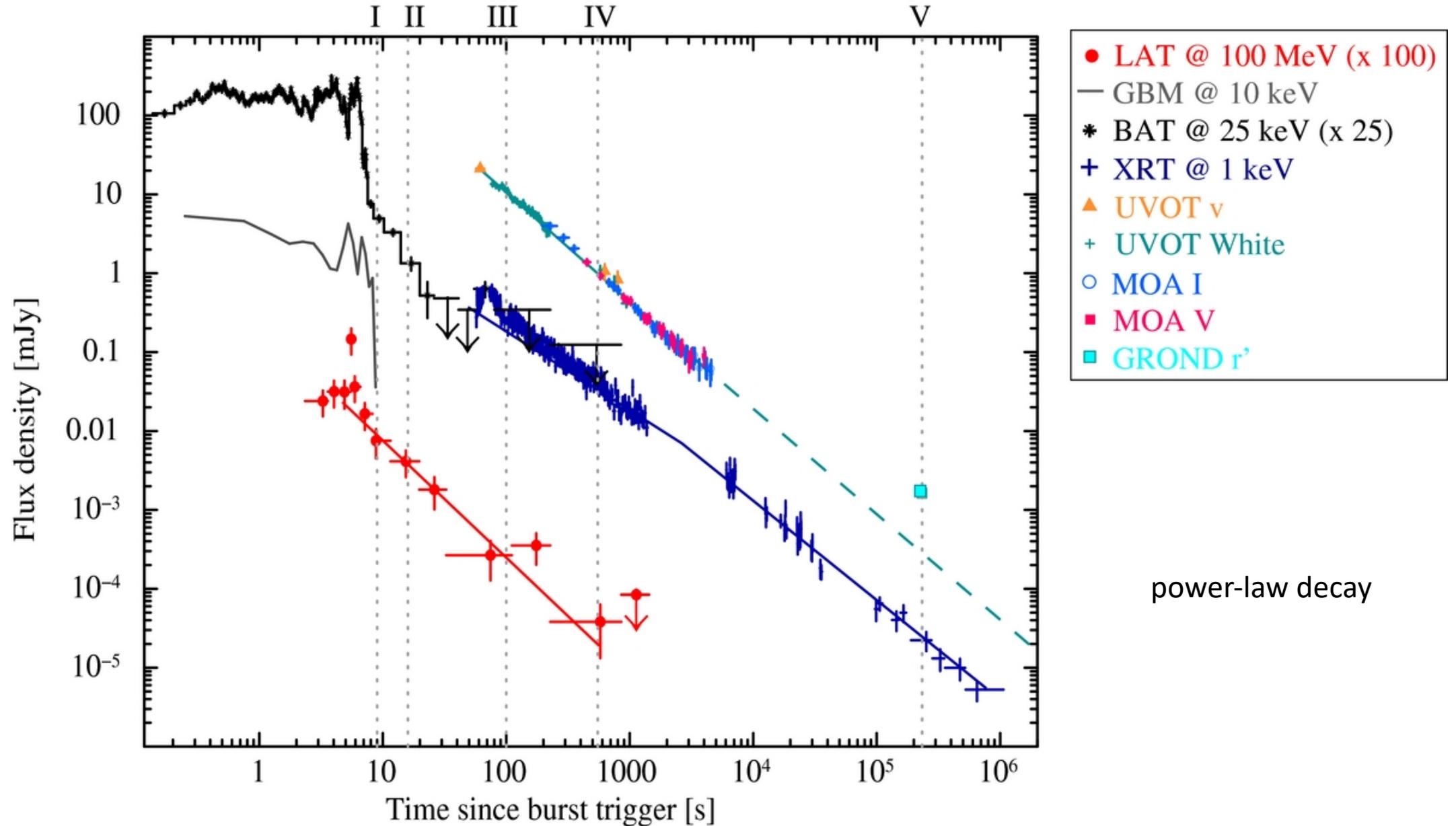
# Afterglow...



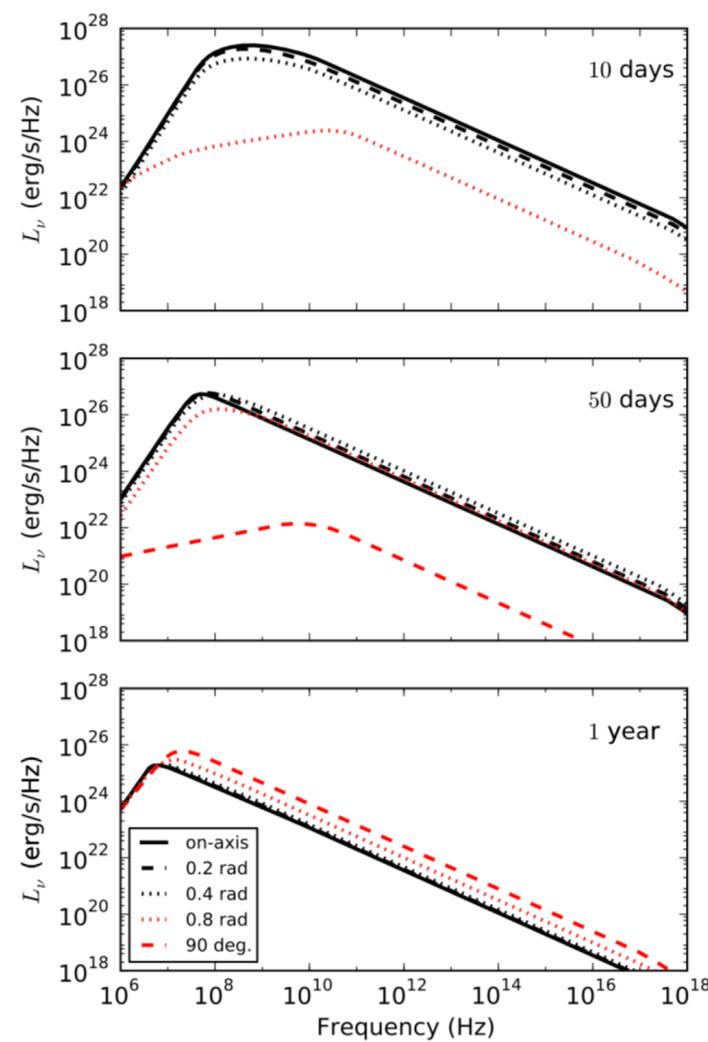
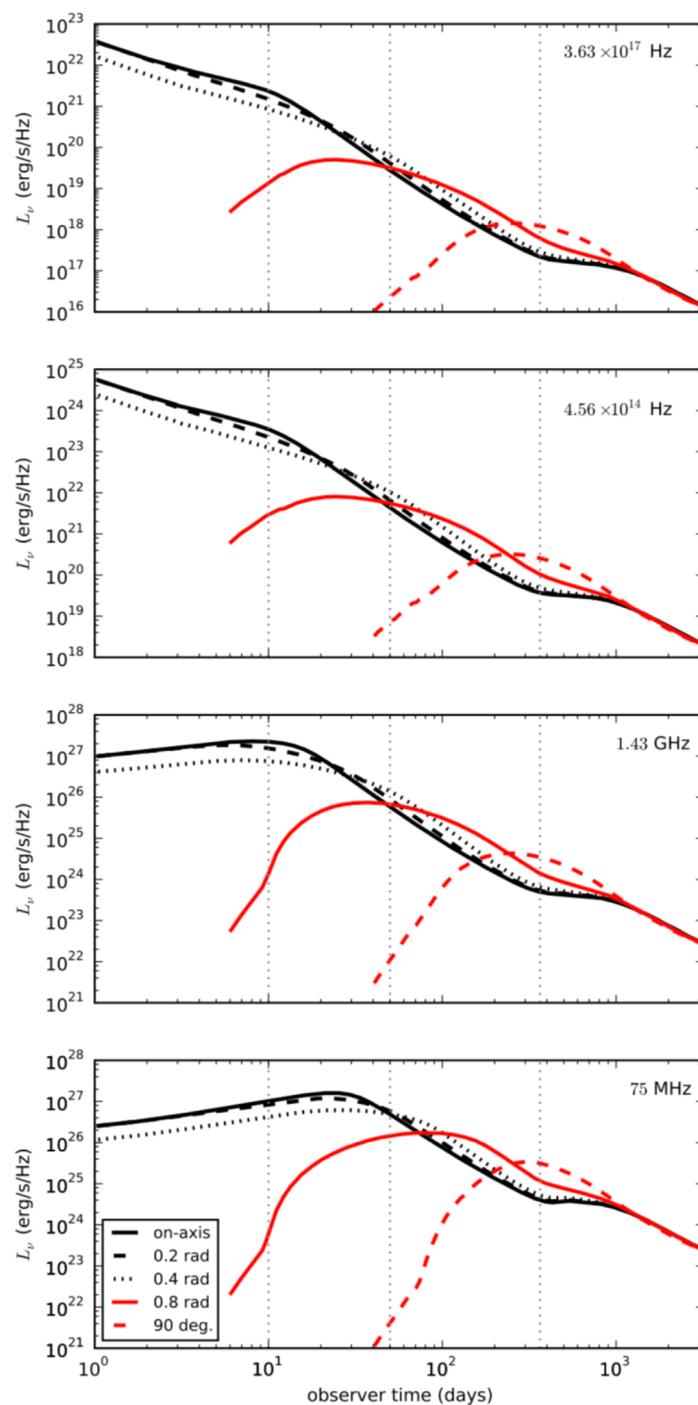
# Afterglow



# Typical multi-wavelength light curve



# Time and viewing angle dependence



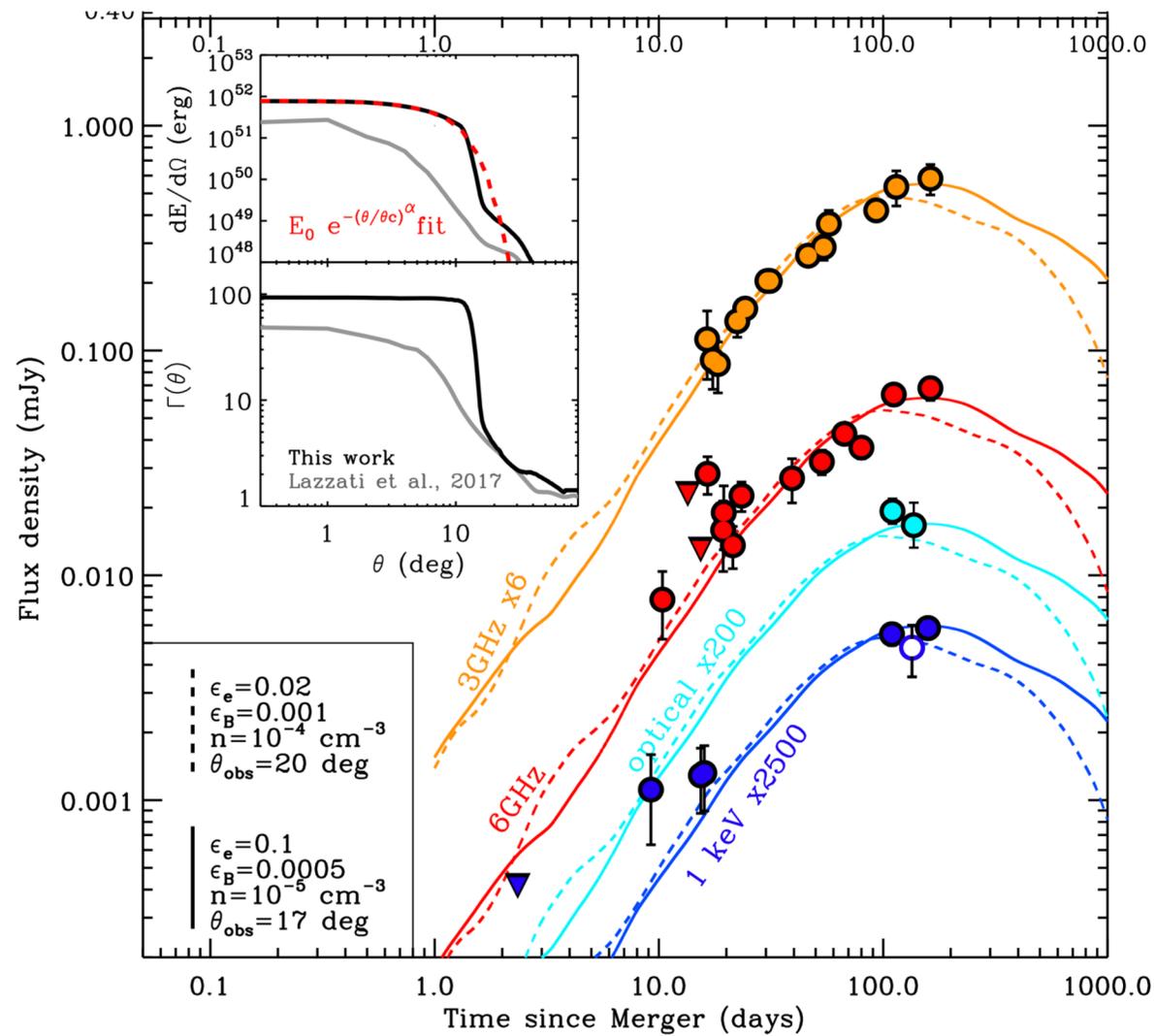
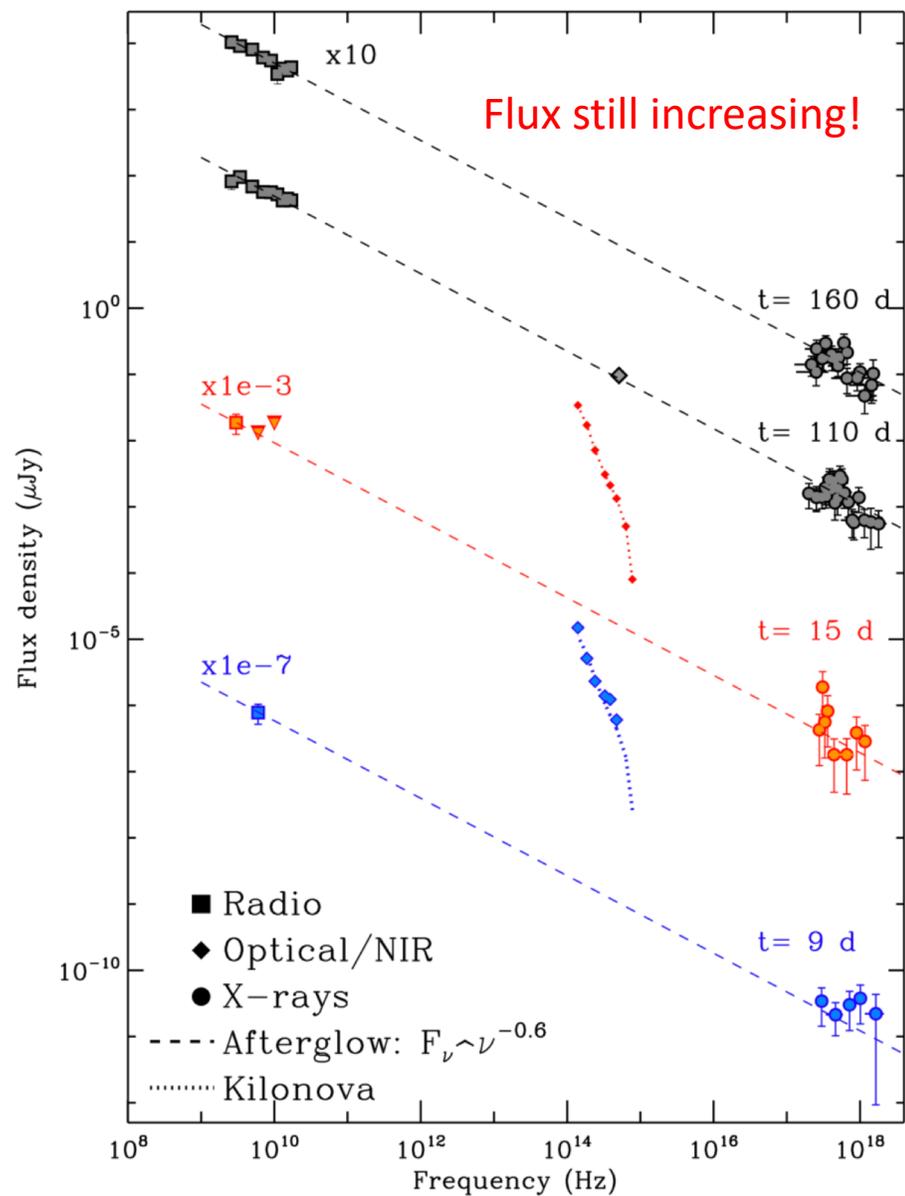
**Figure 2.** Spectra for  $E_j = 10^{48}$  erg,  $\theta_j = 0.2$  rad, and  $n = 10^{-3}$  cm $^{-3}$  at  $t_{\text{obs}} = 10$  days, 50 days, and 1 yr (top to bottom plot), for various observer angles. The legend applies to all plots.

**Figure 1.** Observed luminosity light curves for  $E_j = 10^{48}$  erg,  $\theta_j = 0.4$  rad, and  $n = 10^{-3}$  cm $^{-3}$  (case B). Observer frequencies from top to bottom:  $3.63 \times 10^{17}$  Hz,  $4.56 \times 10^{14}$  Hz, 1.43 GHz, and 75 MHz. The legend applies to all plots. 10 days, 50 days, and 1 yr have been marked with vertical dotted gray lines. Spectra for these times are provided in Figure 2.

Peak flux:

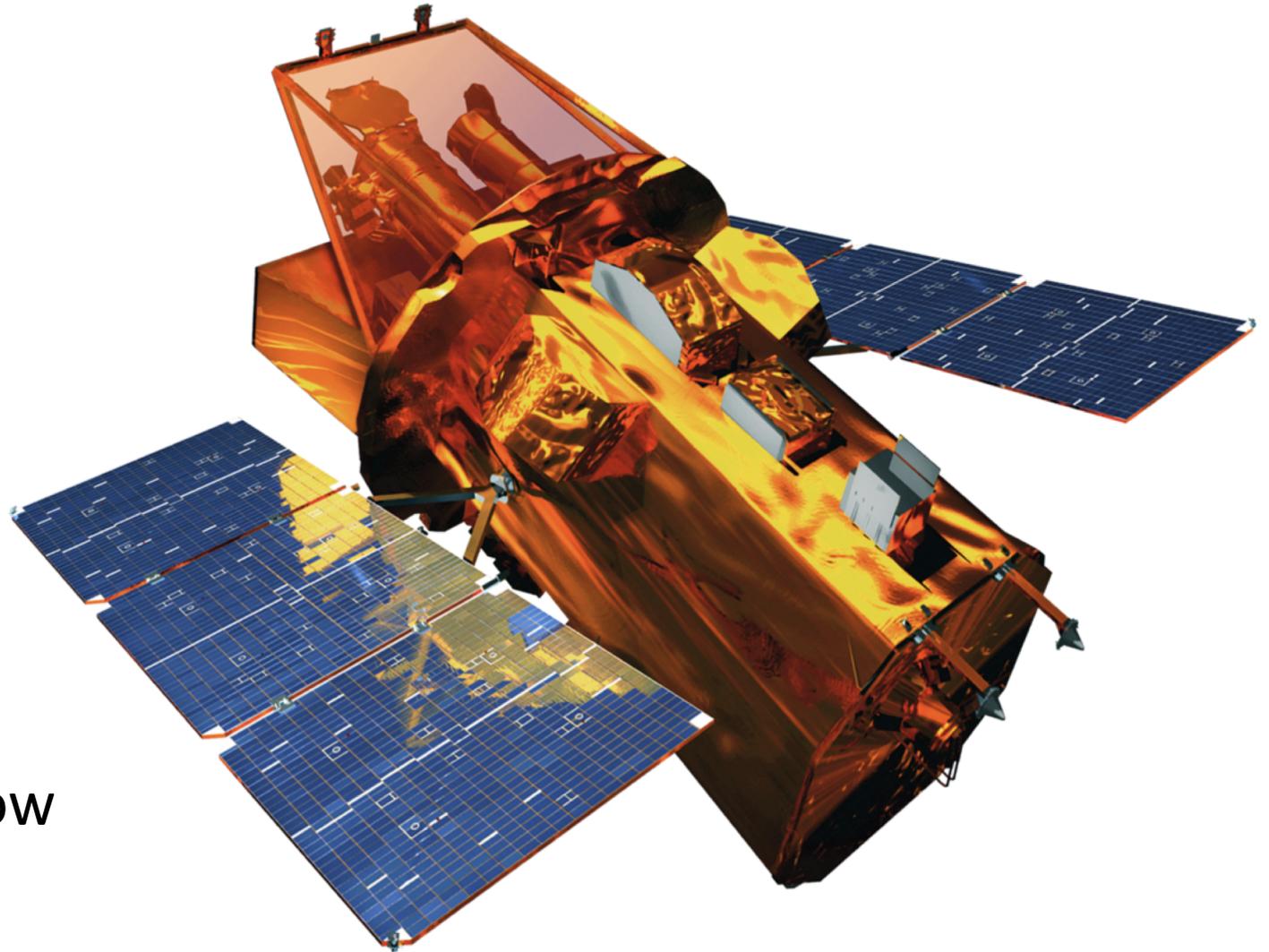
- Higher for lower angles
  - Delayed for greater angles
- After peak there is  $\sim$ power law decay
- Spectrum is also  $\sim$ power law above some peak frequency
- Spectrum softens with time

# GW170817



# Neil Gehrels Swift Observatory

- Burst Alert Telescope (BAT)
- X-Ray Telescope (XRT)
- Ultraviolet/Optical Telescope (UVOT)



Localization with afterglow