

Testing Lorentz Invariance in the Multi-messenger (TeV) Era.

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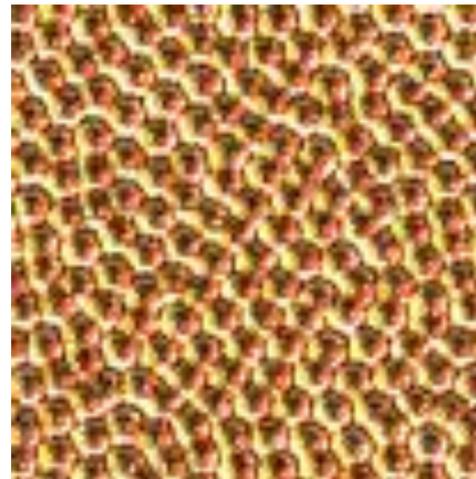


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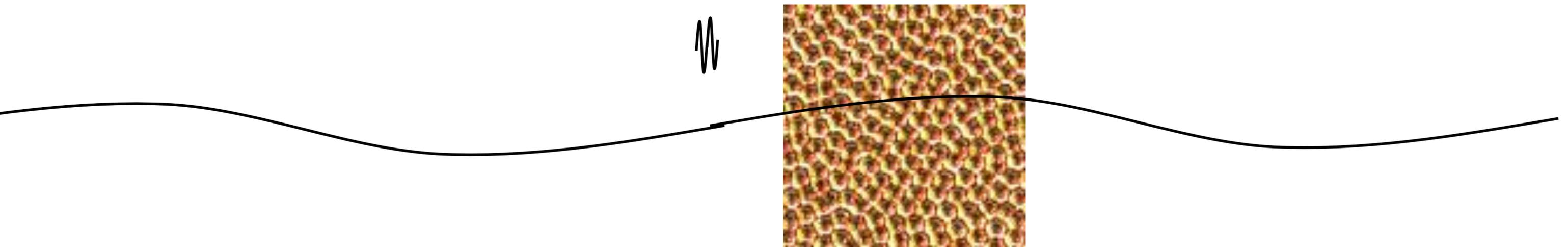


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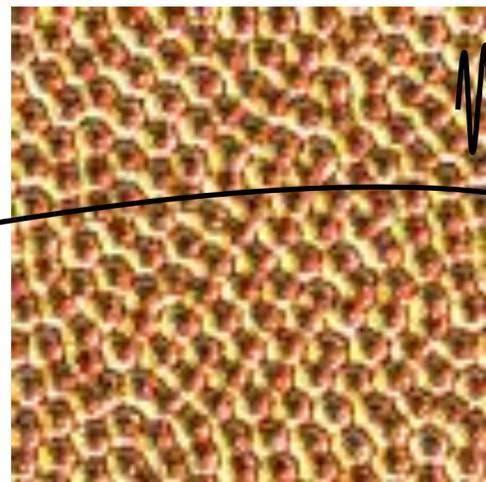


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A phenomenological Approach

The simplest leading order low-energy approximation of any theory that breaks Lorentz Invariance at a very high energy scale: ξm_{pl} , for the deformed dispersion relation:

$$E^2 - p^2 - m^2 \approx \pm \left(\frac{E}{\xi m_{pl}} \right)^n$$

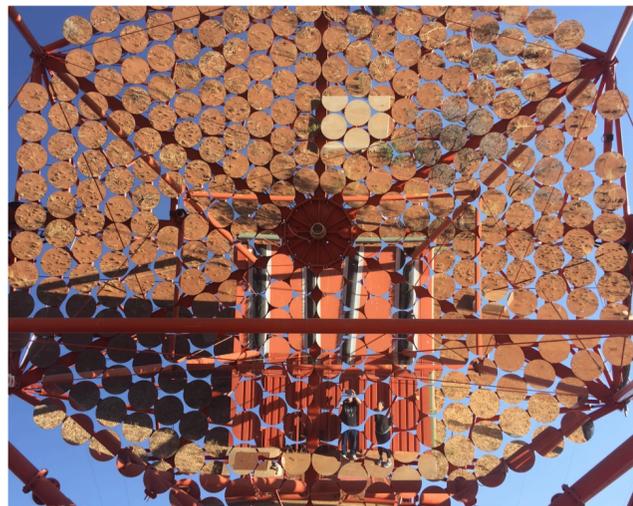
$$v \approx c \left[1 \pm \frac{(1+n)}{2} \left(\frac{E}{\xi m_{pl}} \right)^n \right]$$

Higher energy photons will arrive later (or earlier) than low energy ones emitted **simultaneously**.



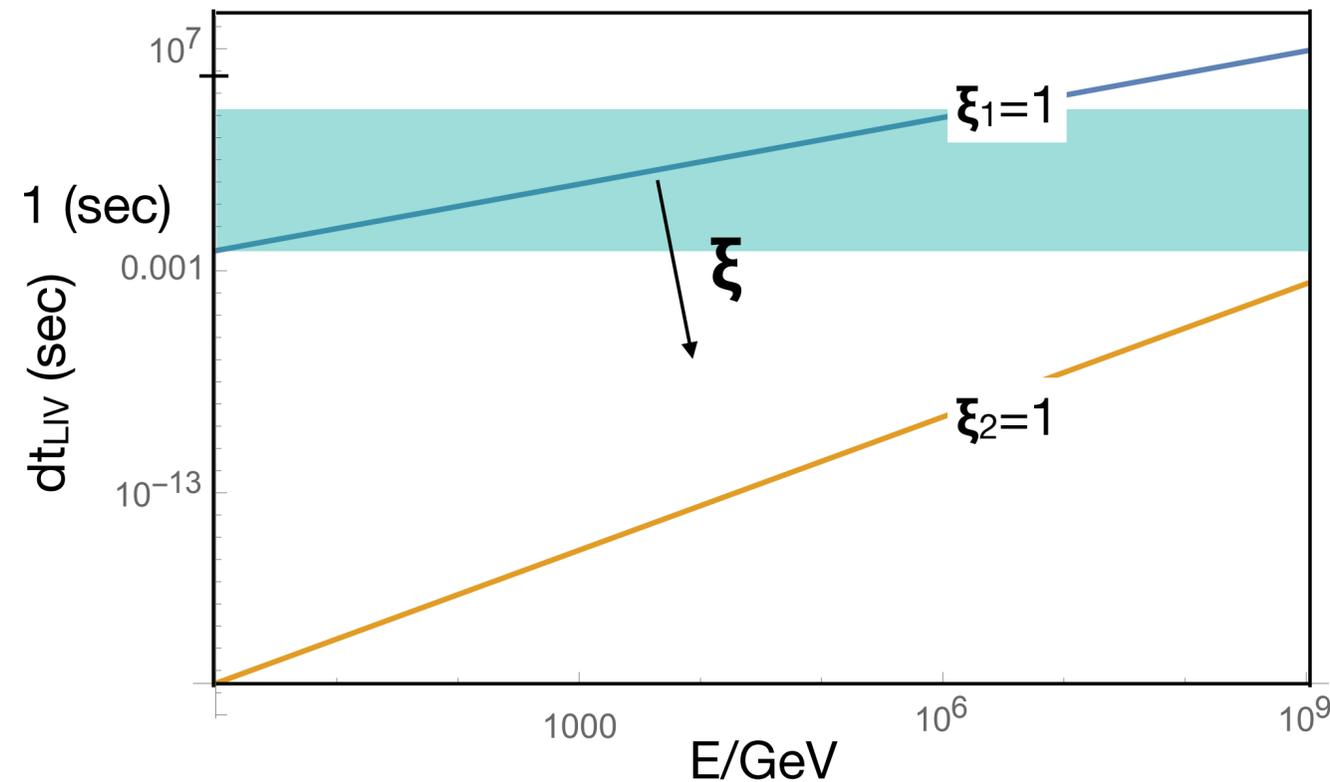
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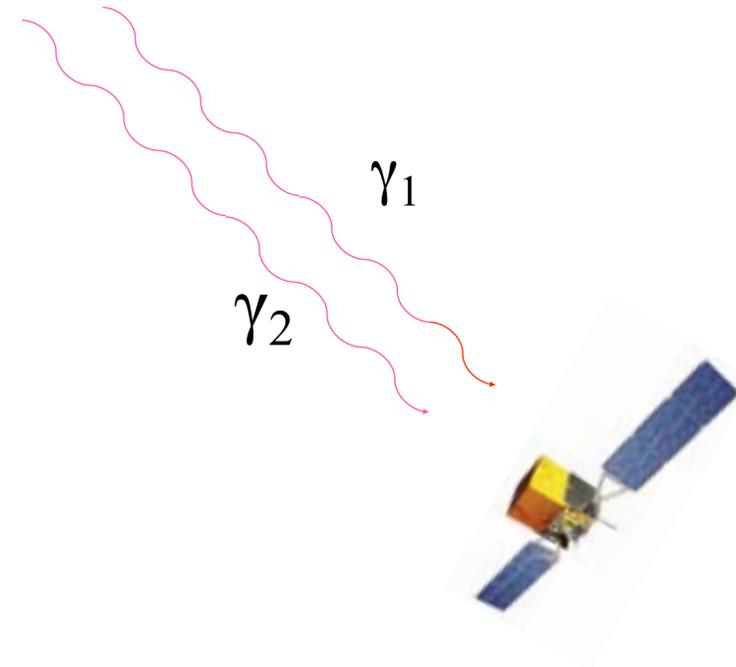
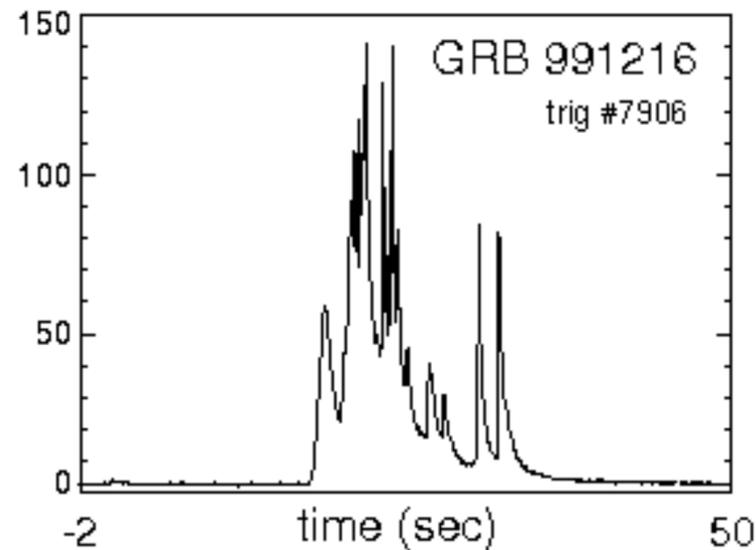
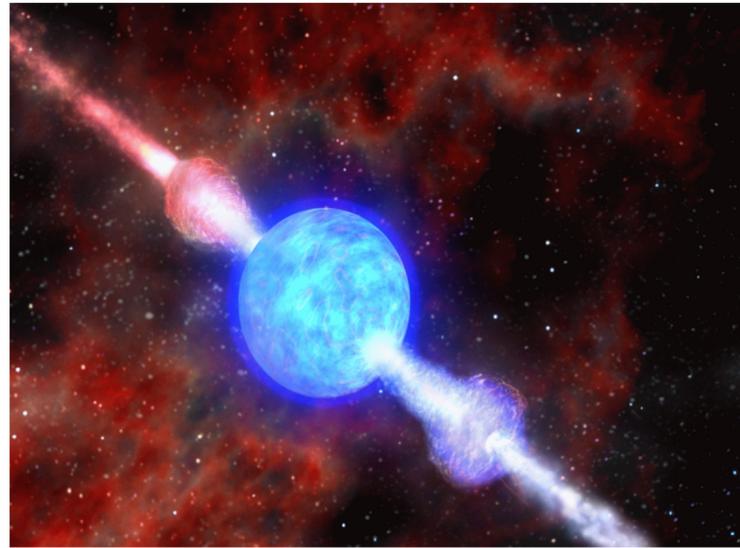


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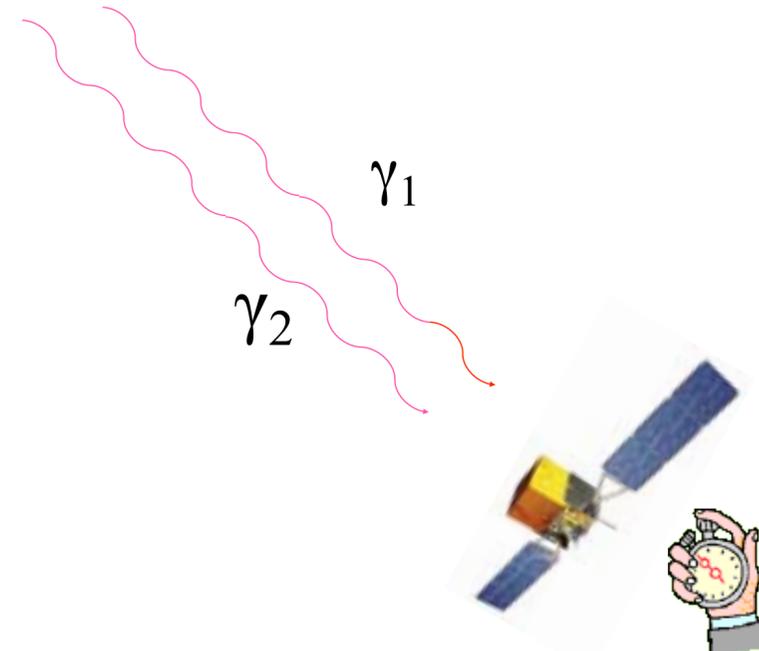
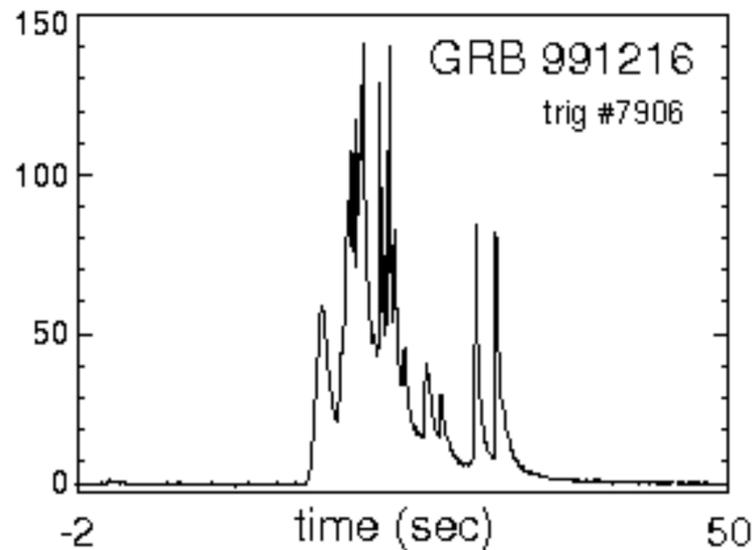
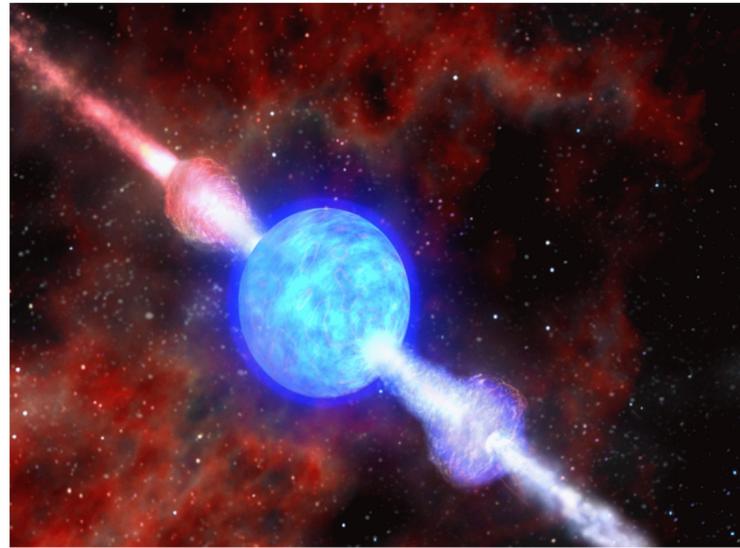


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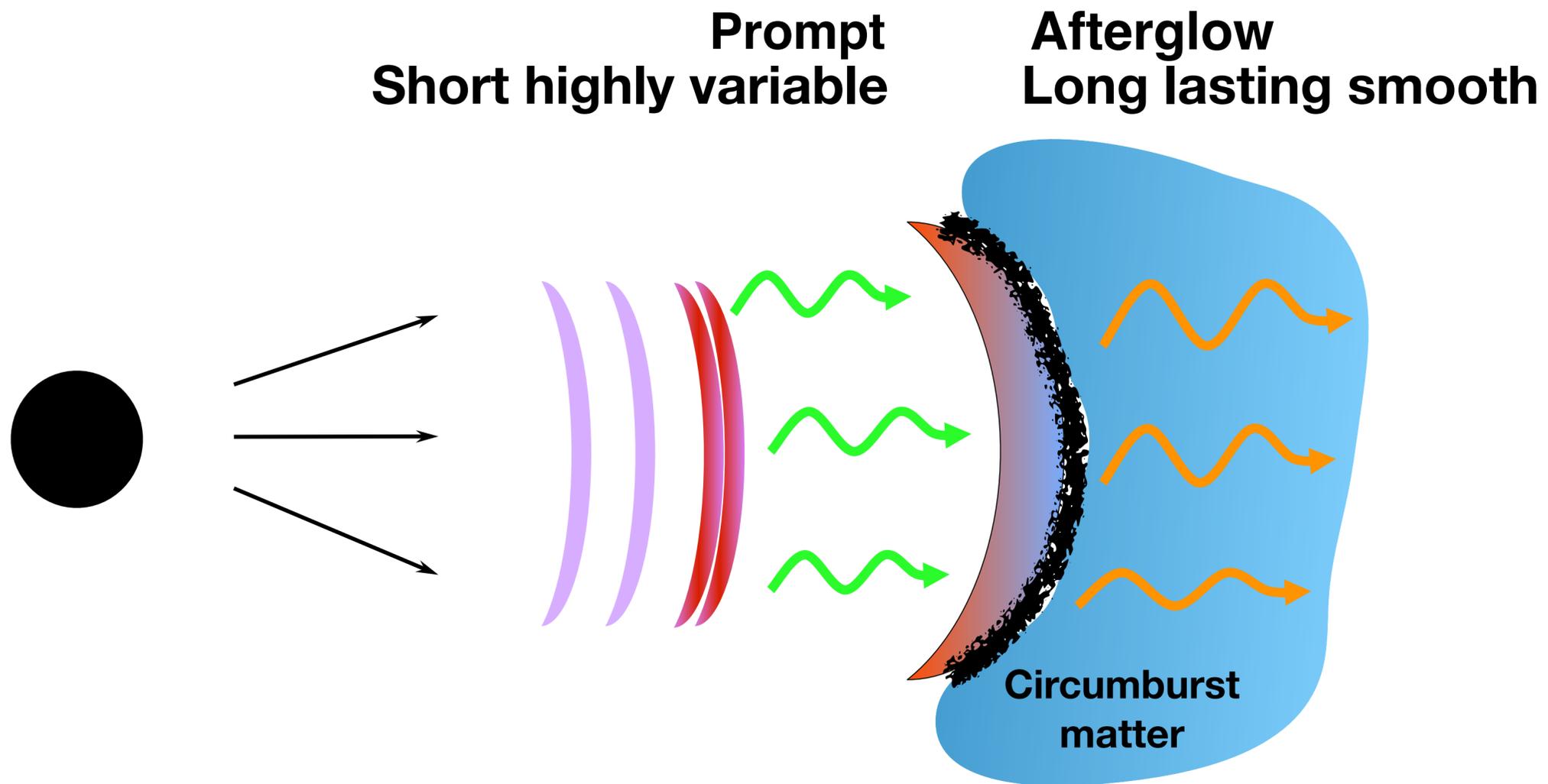
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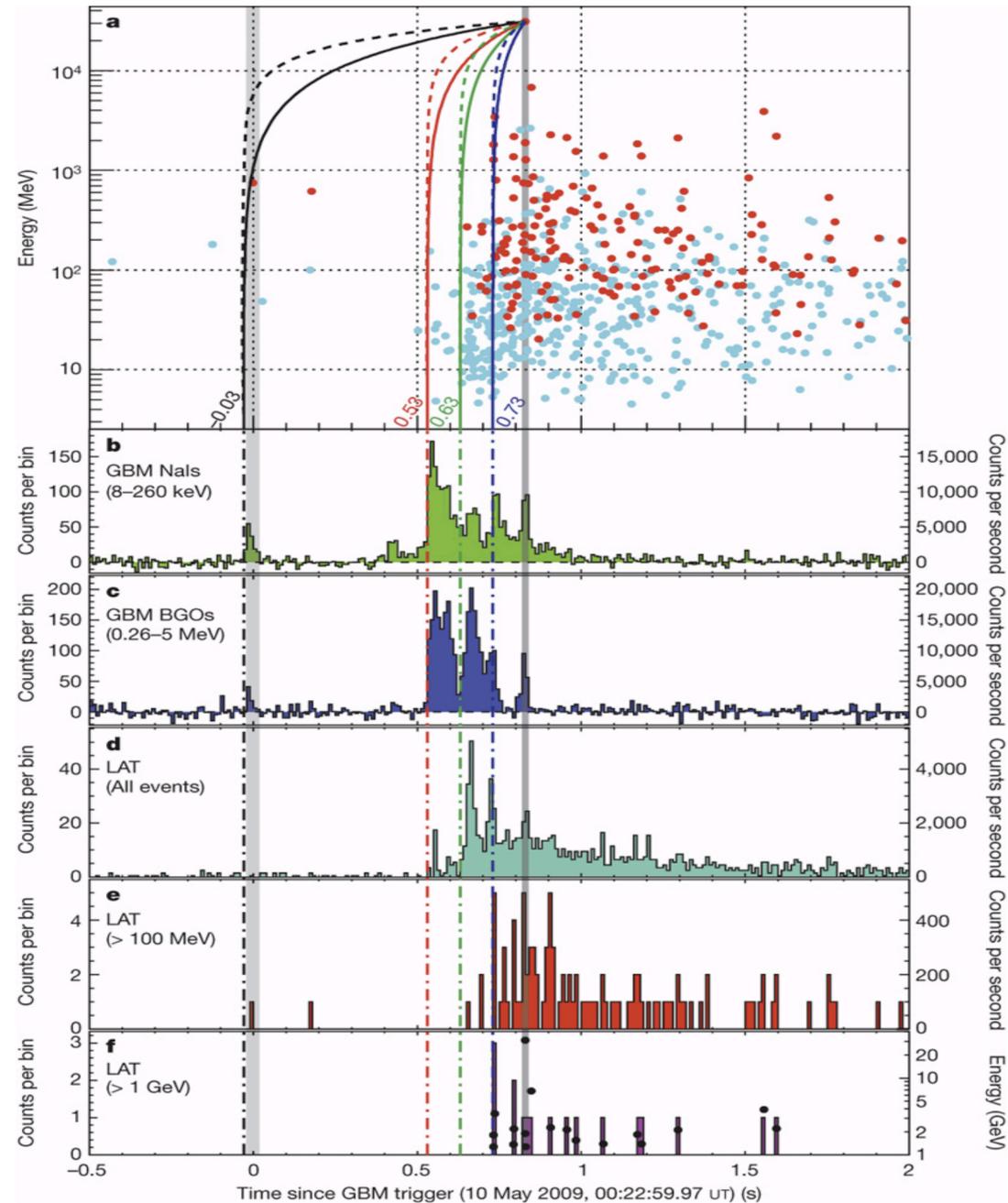


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A rough sketch of a GRB



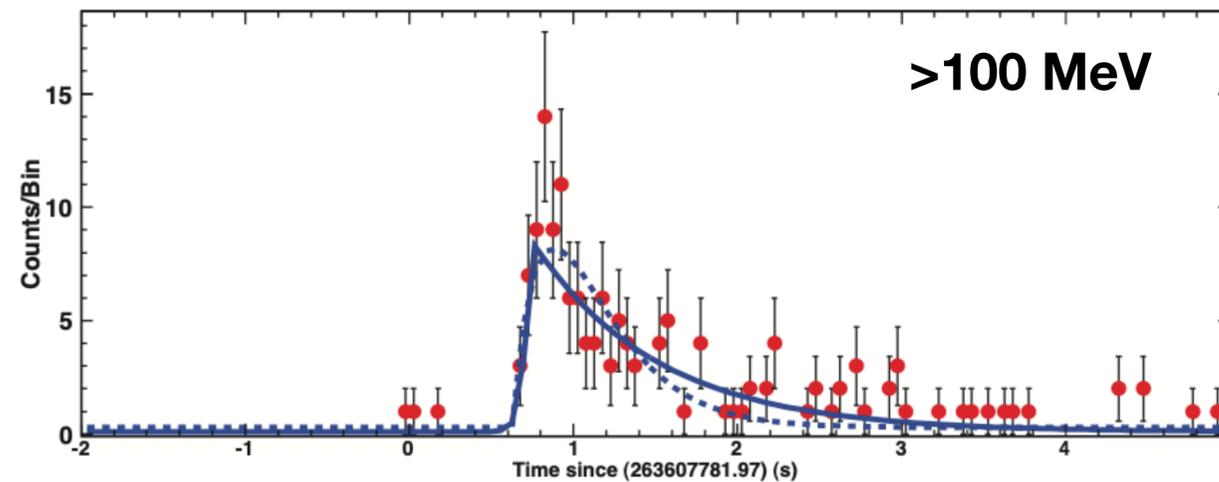
Fermi Observations of GRB 090510



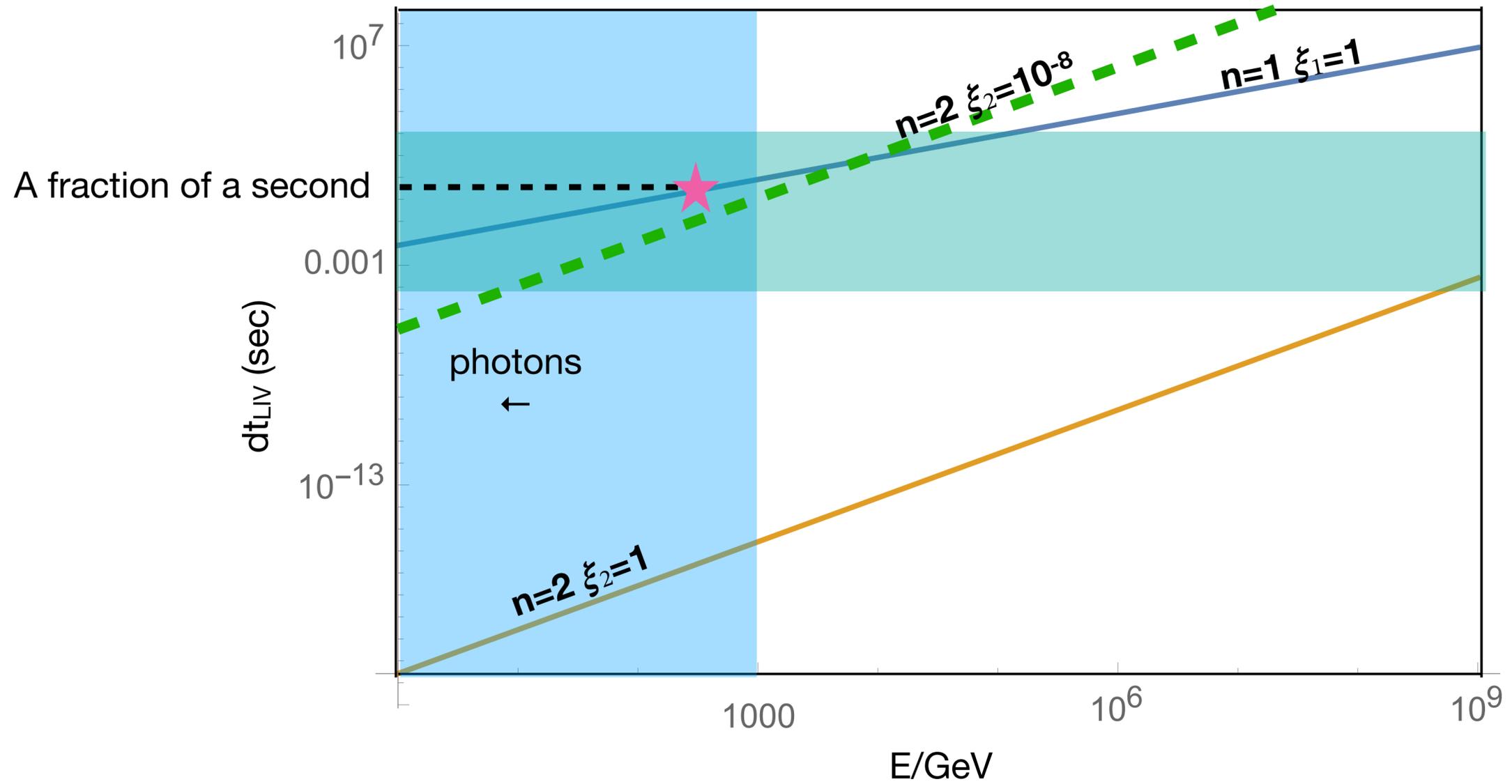
$Z=0.903$

$\Delta t(0.1 \text{ MeV} - 30 \text{ GeV}) < 0.9 \text{ sec}$

$\Rightarrow E(1)_{\text{QG}} > 1.2 \cdot 10^{19} \text{ GeV} = 1.2 m_{\text{pl}}$



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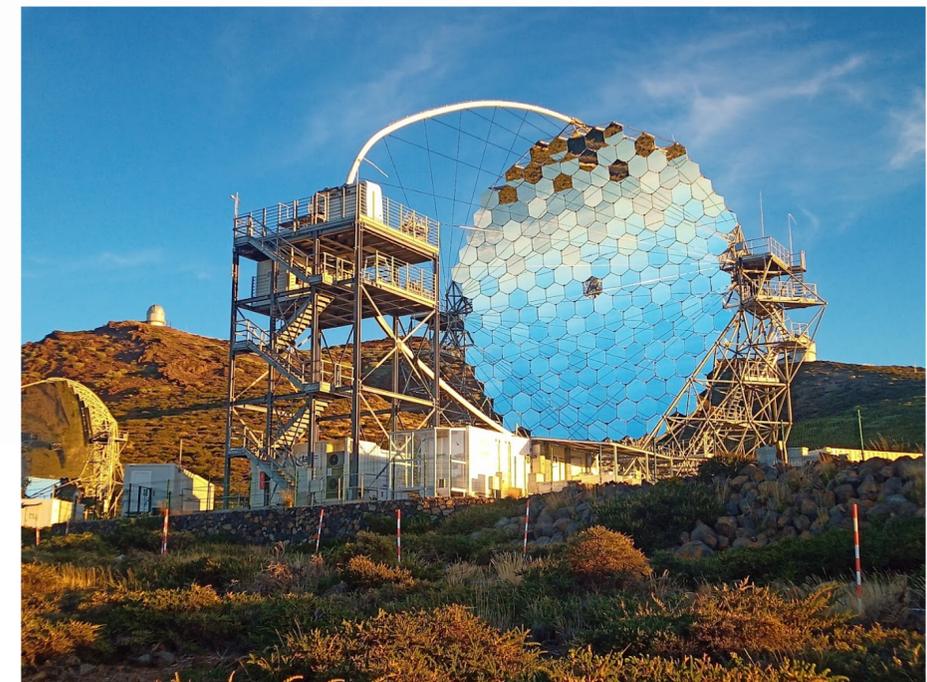


The Teraelectronvolt Era

Teraelectronvolt emission from the γ -ray burst GRB 190114C

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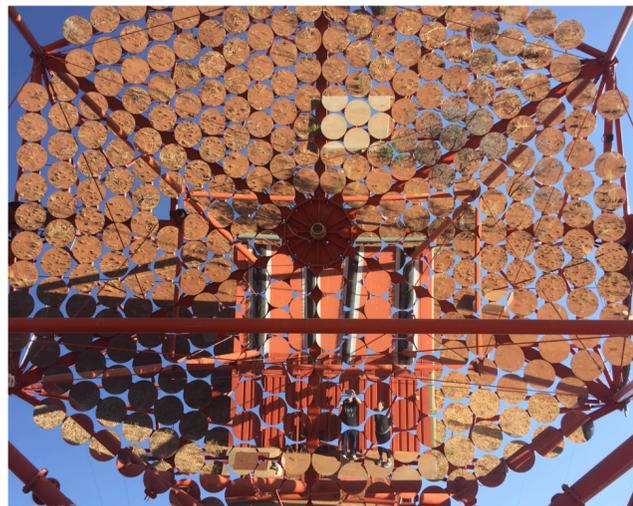
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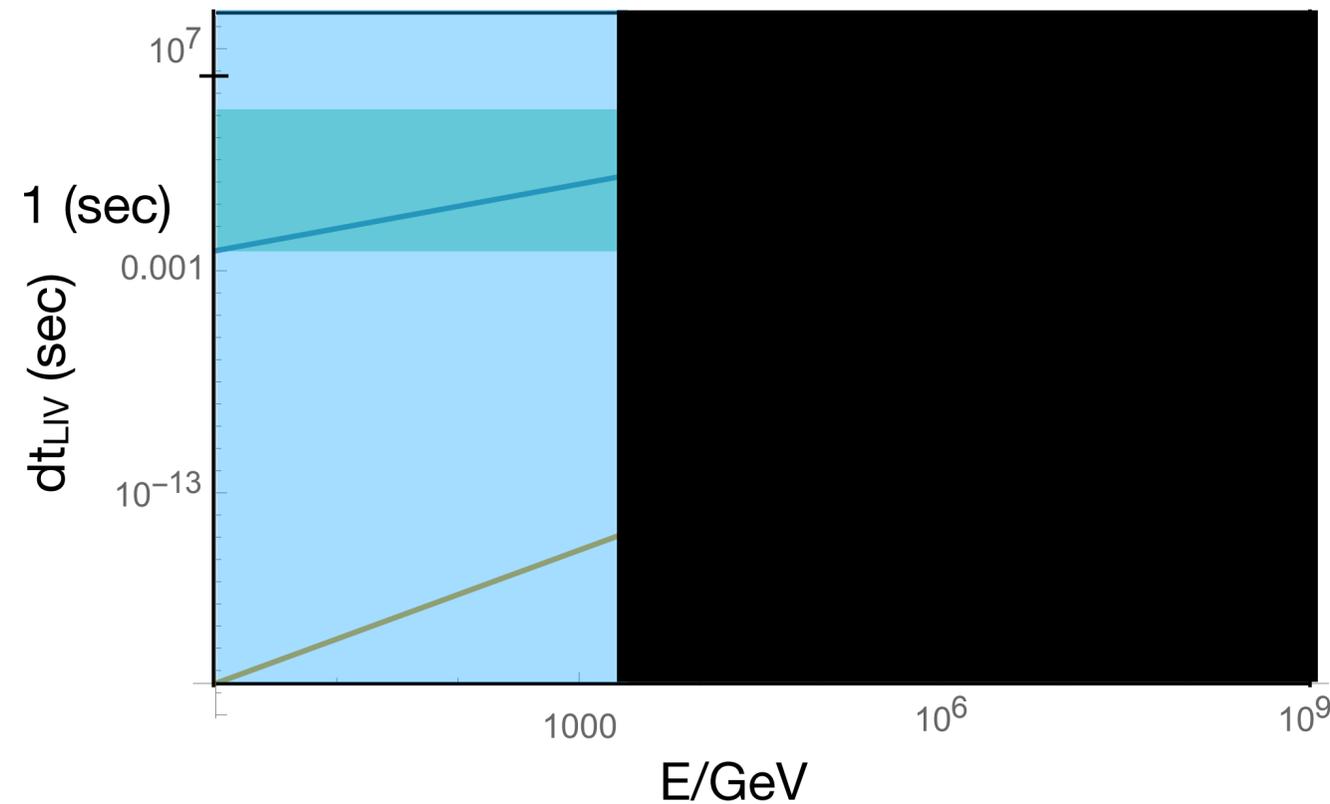
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LHAASO



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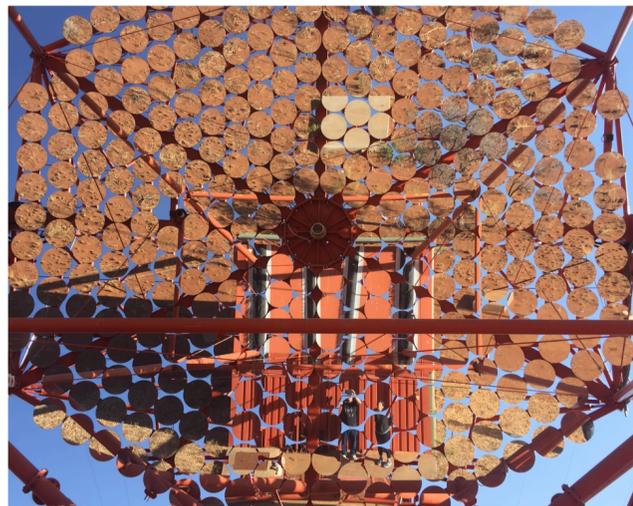


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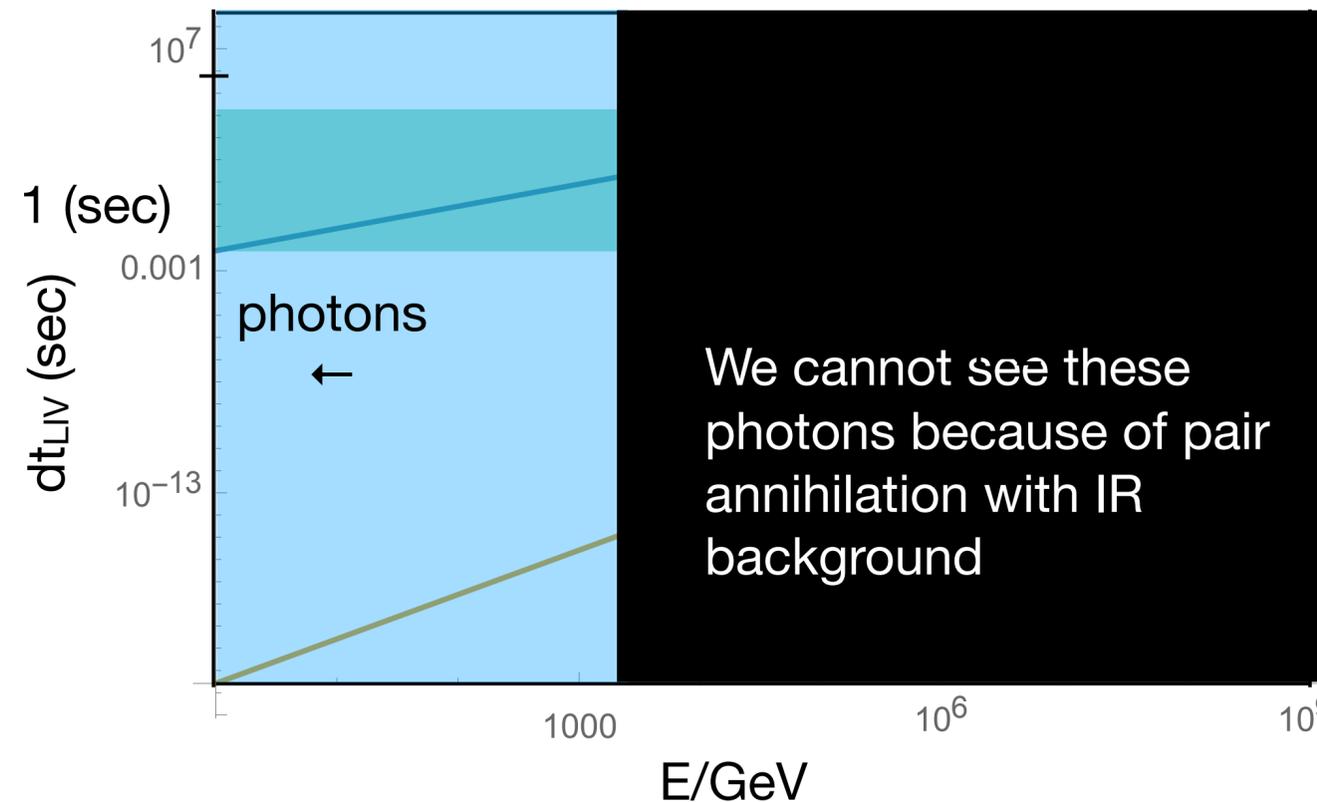
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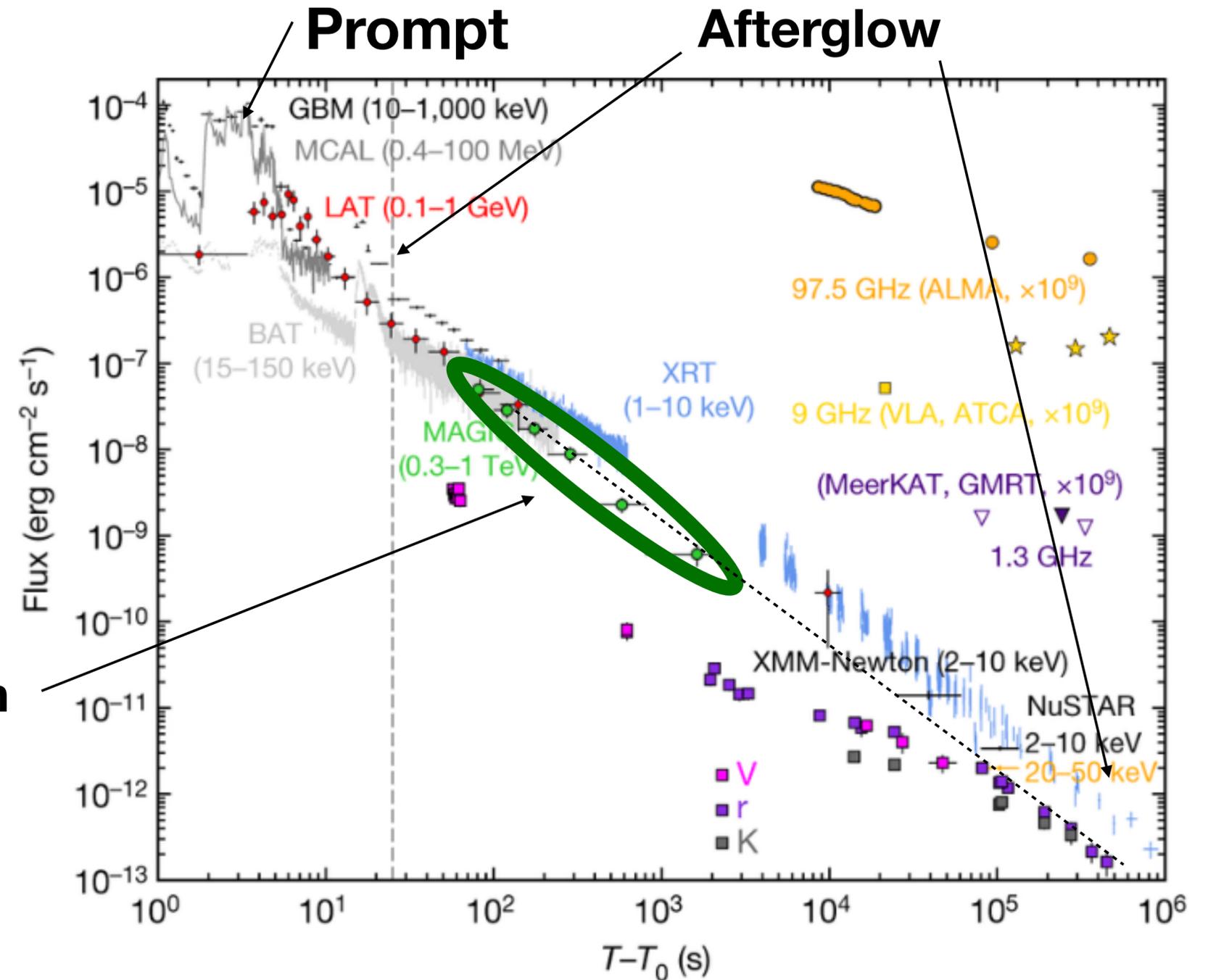
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TeV photons from $z=0.45$



SSC afterglow emission (Derishev & Piran 2019)

Many early predictions including:
Fan, TP, Narayan 2008 Petropoulou,
Mastichiadis, TP 2015

The time delay \approx a few dozen seconds

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$z=0.45$ + $dt \sim 30-60$ sec

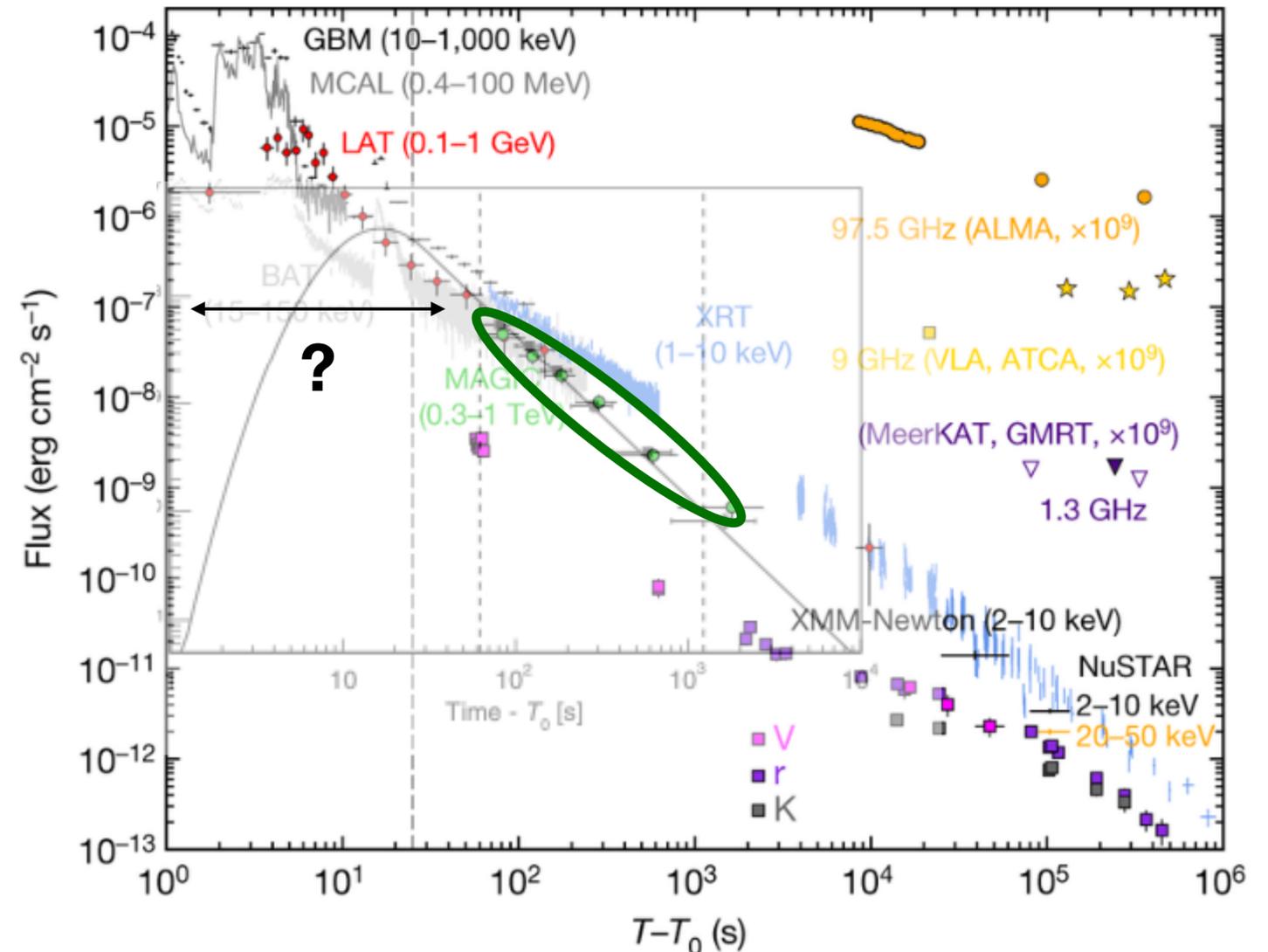
LC model	Minimal (step function)		Theoretical ([19])	
	η^{UL}	η^{LL}	η^{BF}	η^{UL}
η_1	4.4	-2.2	0.3	2.1
η_2	2.8	-4.8	1.3	3.7
	subluminal	superluminal	subluminal	
$E_{QG,1}$ [10^{19} GeV]	0.28	0.55	0.58	
$E_{QG,2}$ [10^{10} GeV]	7.3	5.6	6.3	

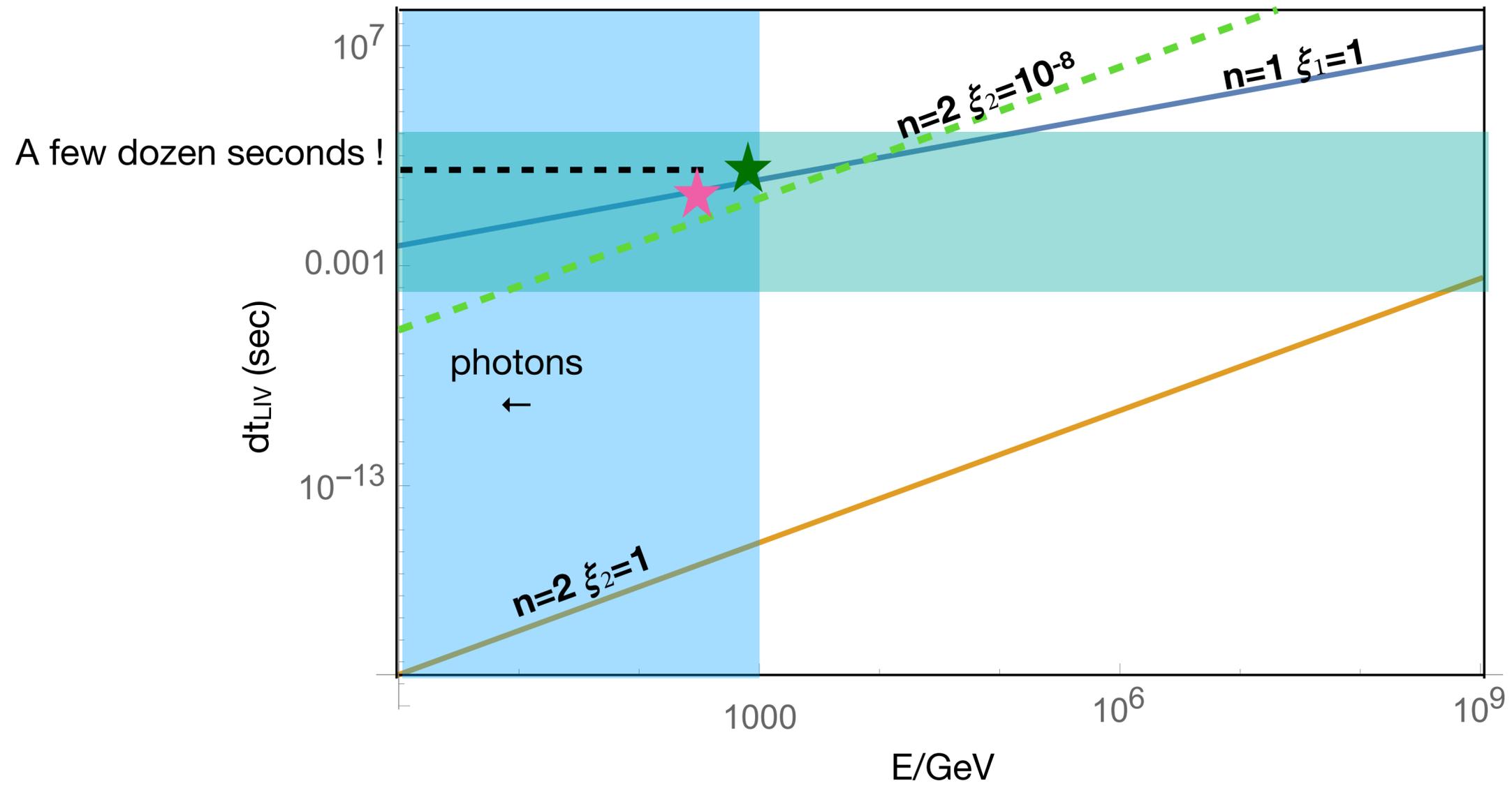
A factor of 4 (7) below the GRB 090510 limits

Comparable to AGN flare limits (Abdalla et al., 2019)

Acciari et al., (Magic Collaboration) + L. Nava 2020

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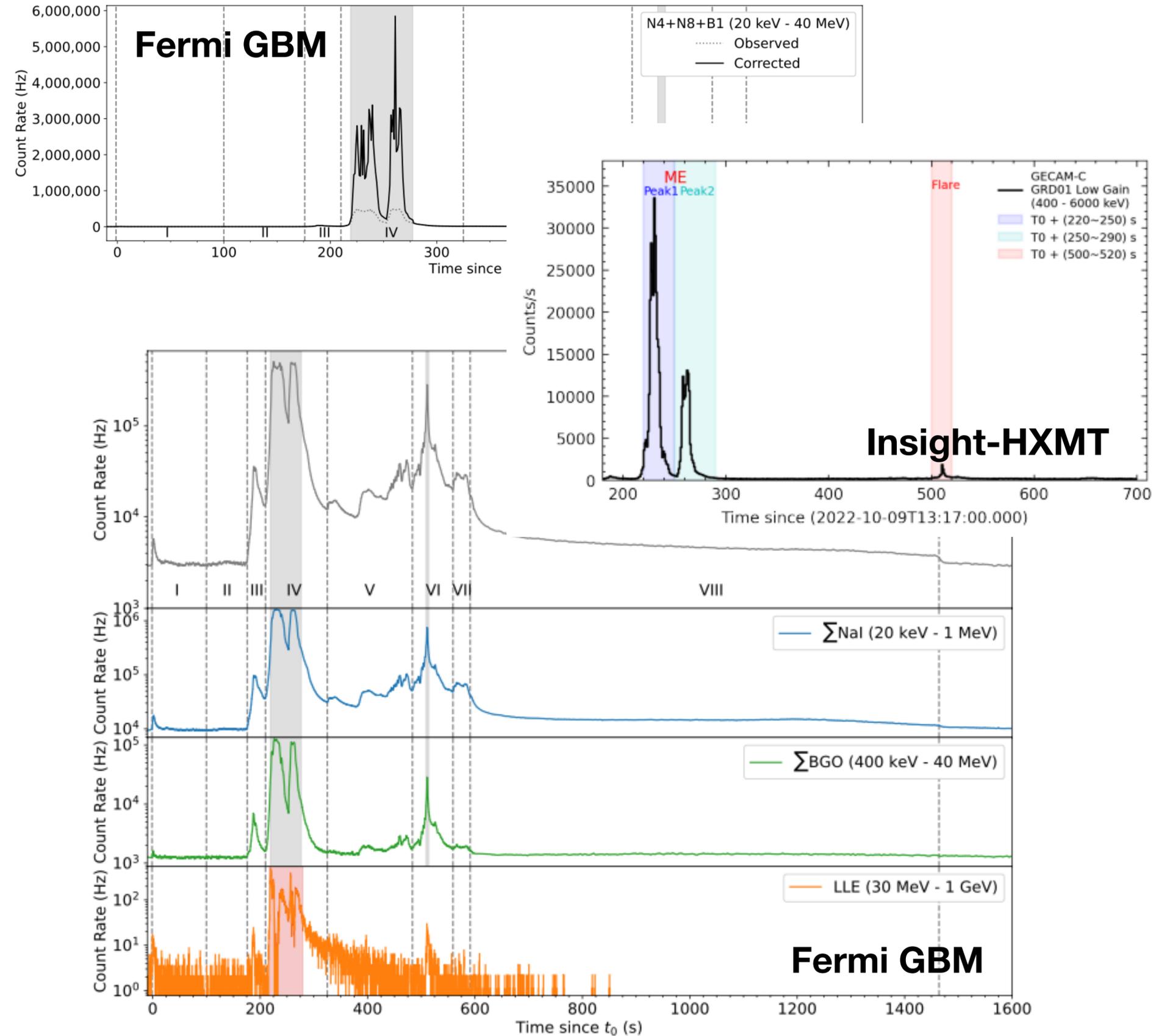


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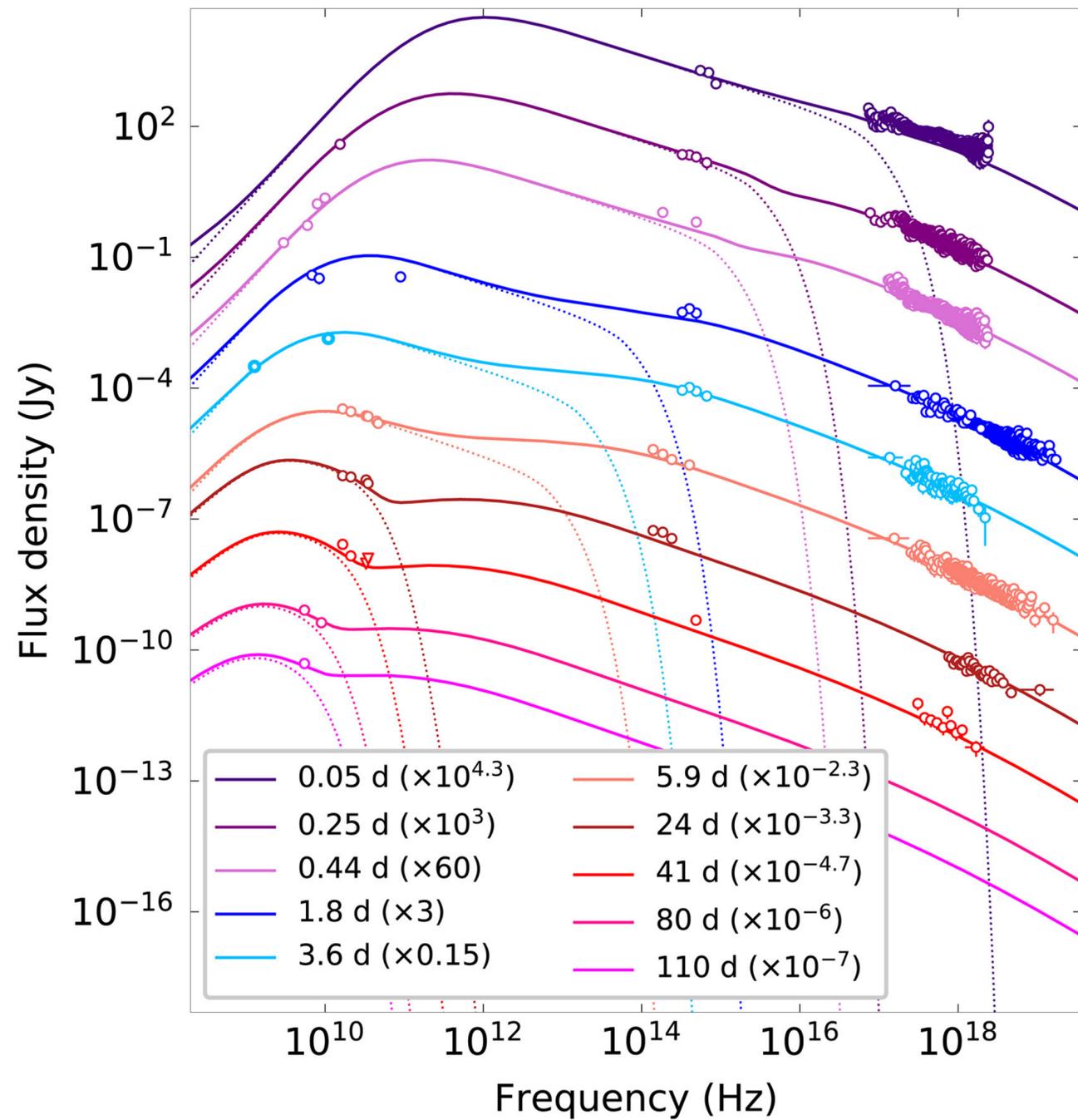


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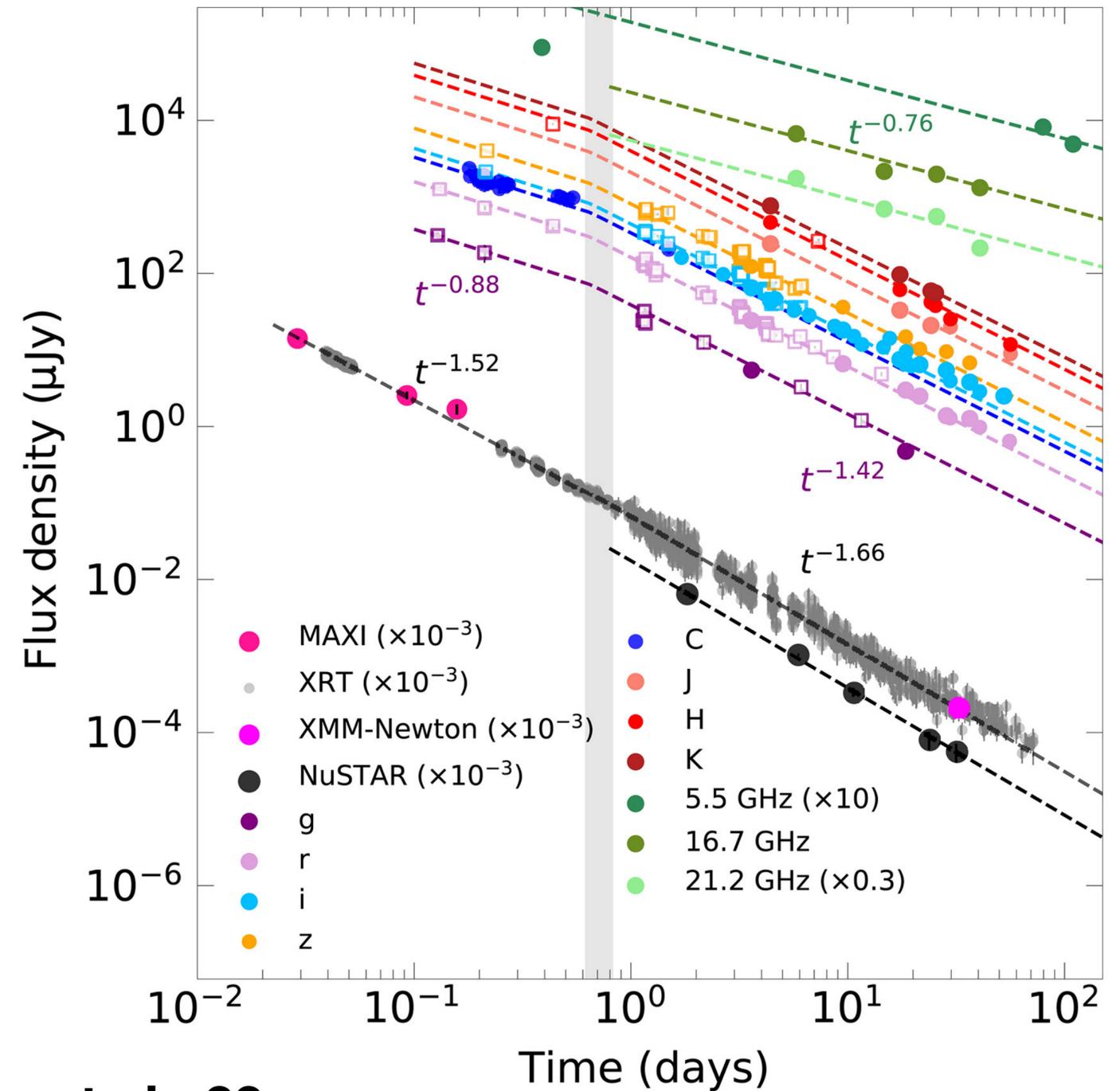
- $Z=0.151$ (745 Mpc)
- $E_{\text{iso}}=1.5 \times 10^{55}$ erg
- If $\vartheta_j=0.7^\circ$ then $E=1.15 \times 10^{51}$ erg
- $T_{90}=330$ sec
- LHAASO 5000 photons > 500 GeV up to 18 TeV
- The afterglow emission is much less energetic, and it is comparable to other TeV GRBs e.g. 990114c.



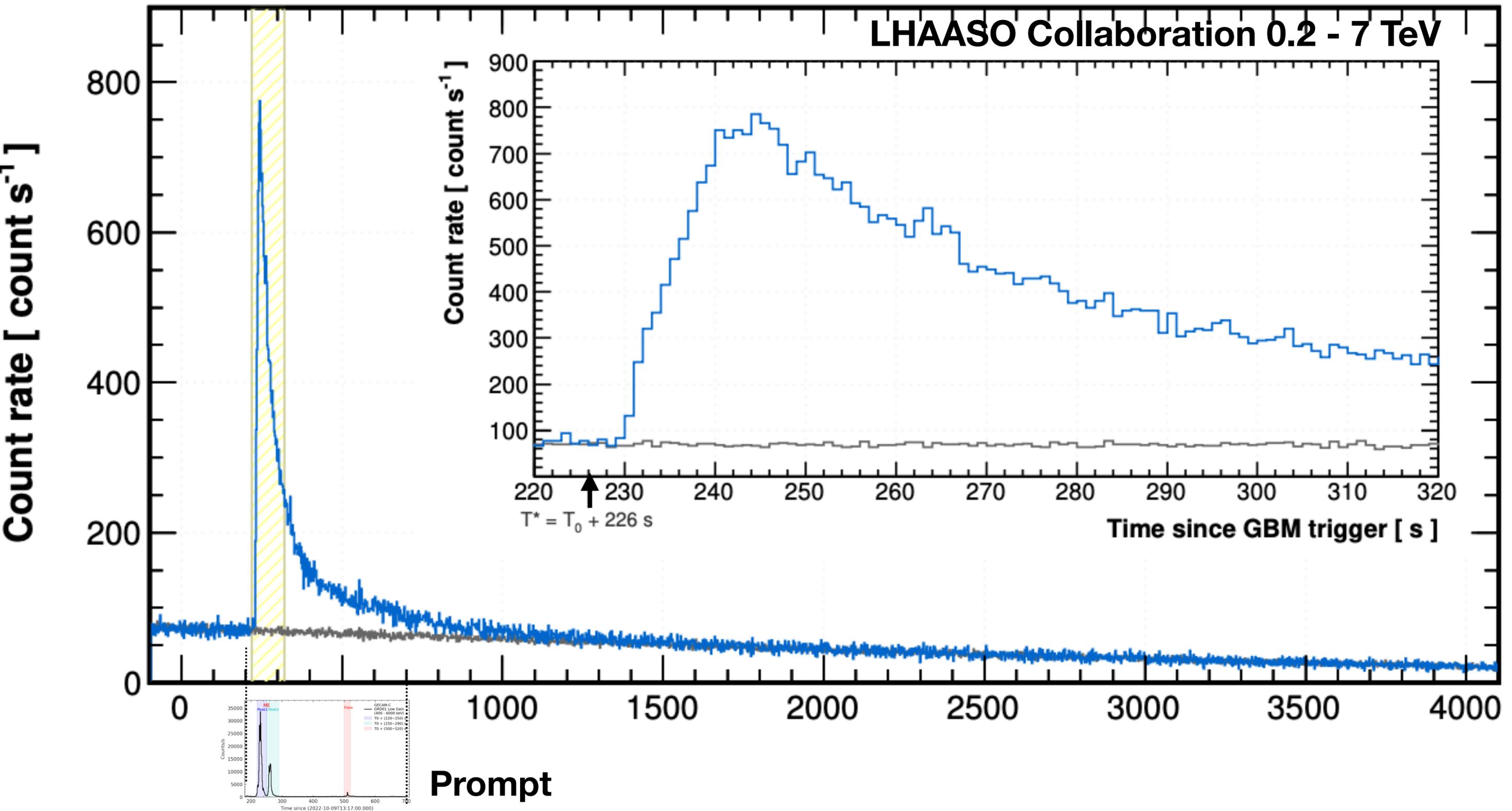
The Low-Energy Afterglow



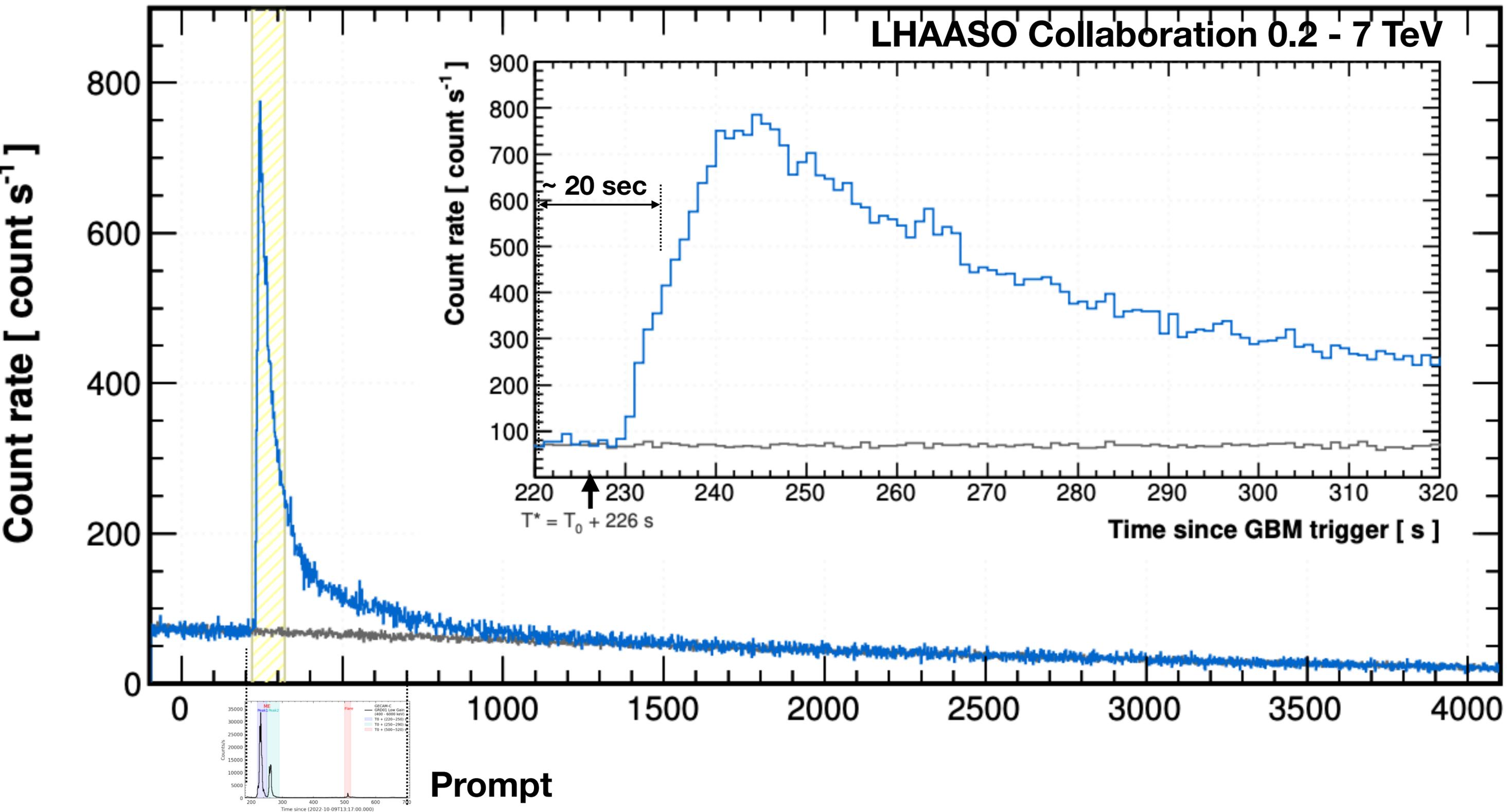
O'Connor et al., 23



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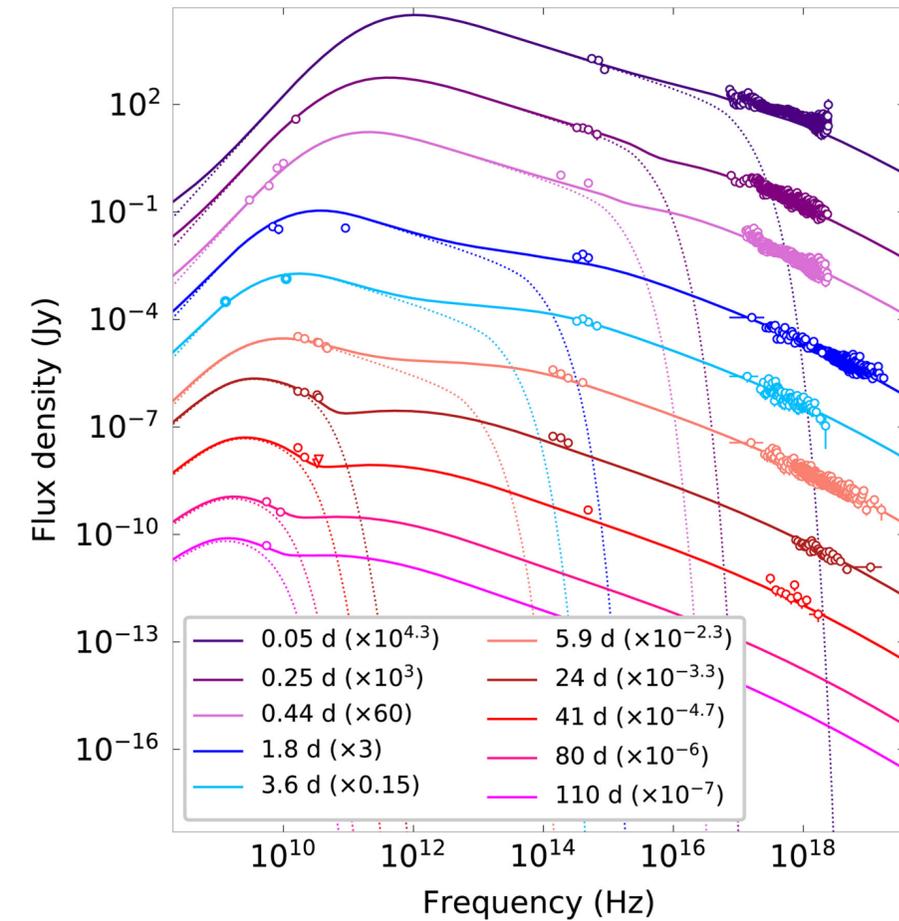


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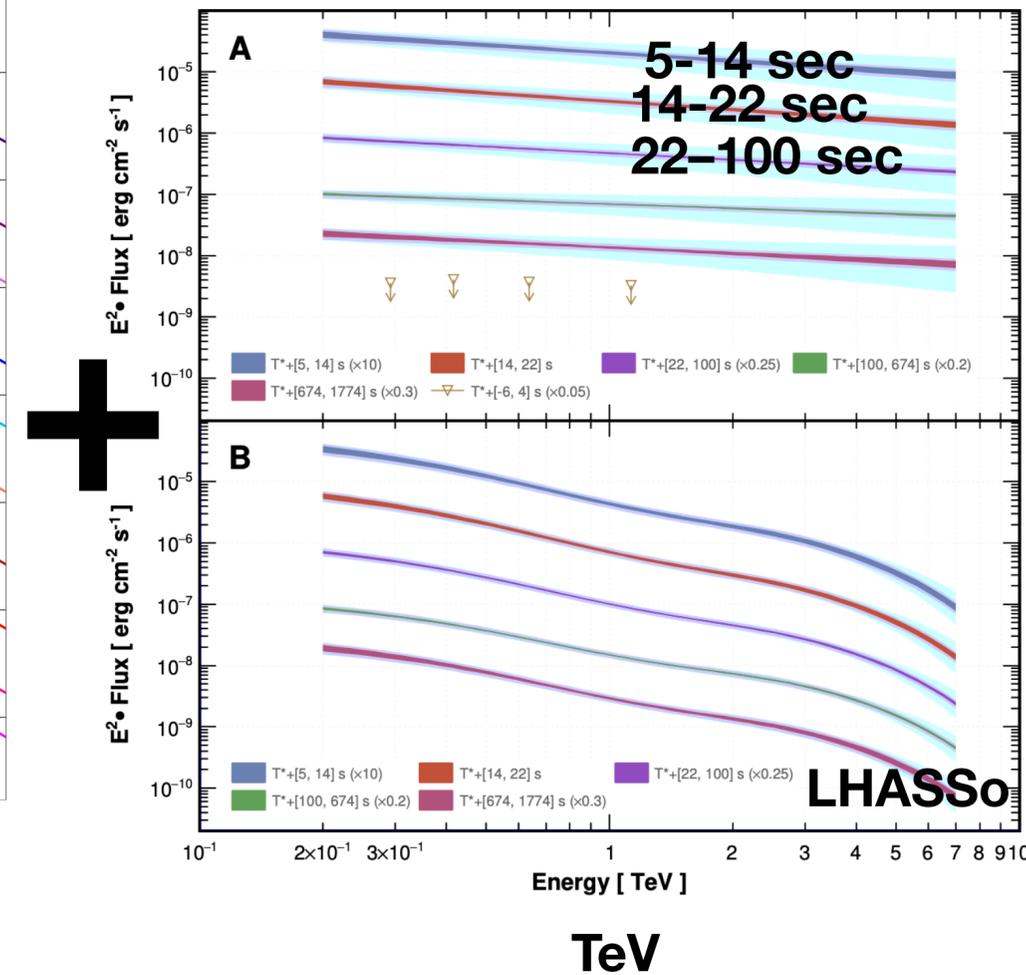


221 009A TeV Afterglow - SSC (Within the “pair balance” model)

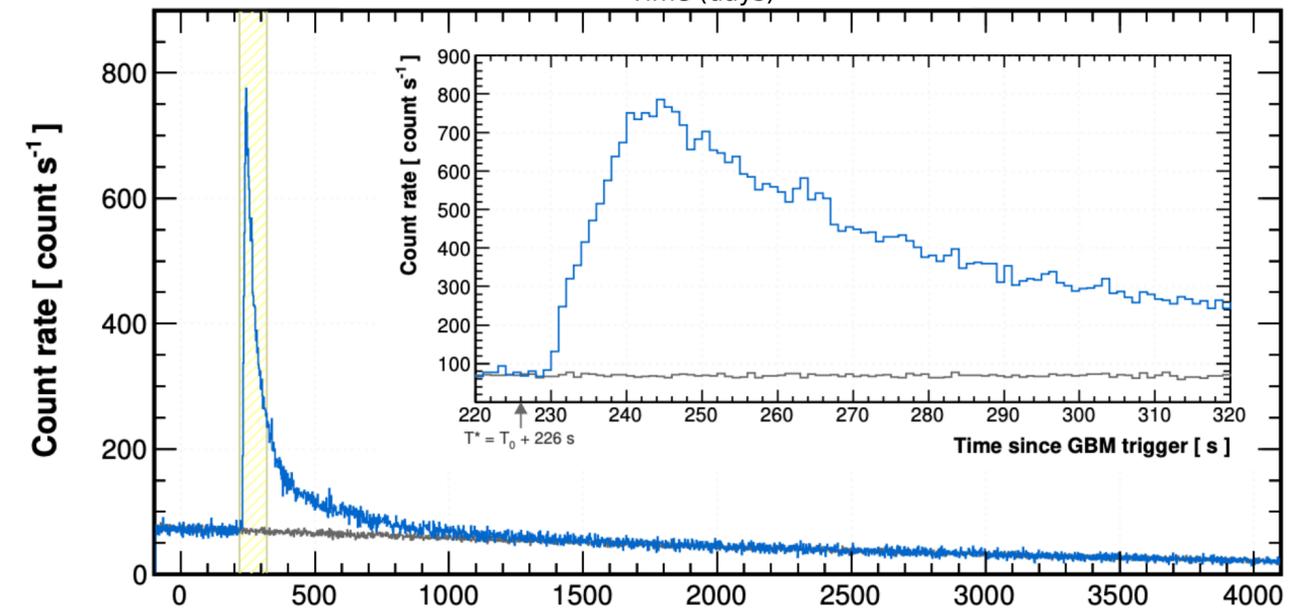
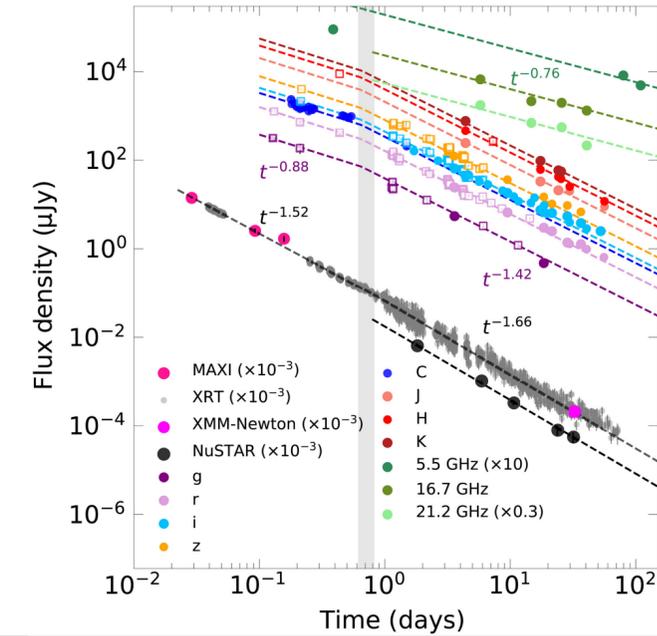
Derishev and Piran in prep.



Radio- Optical - X-rays

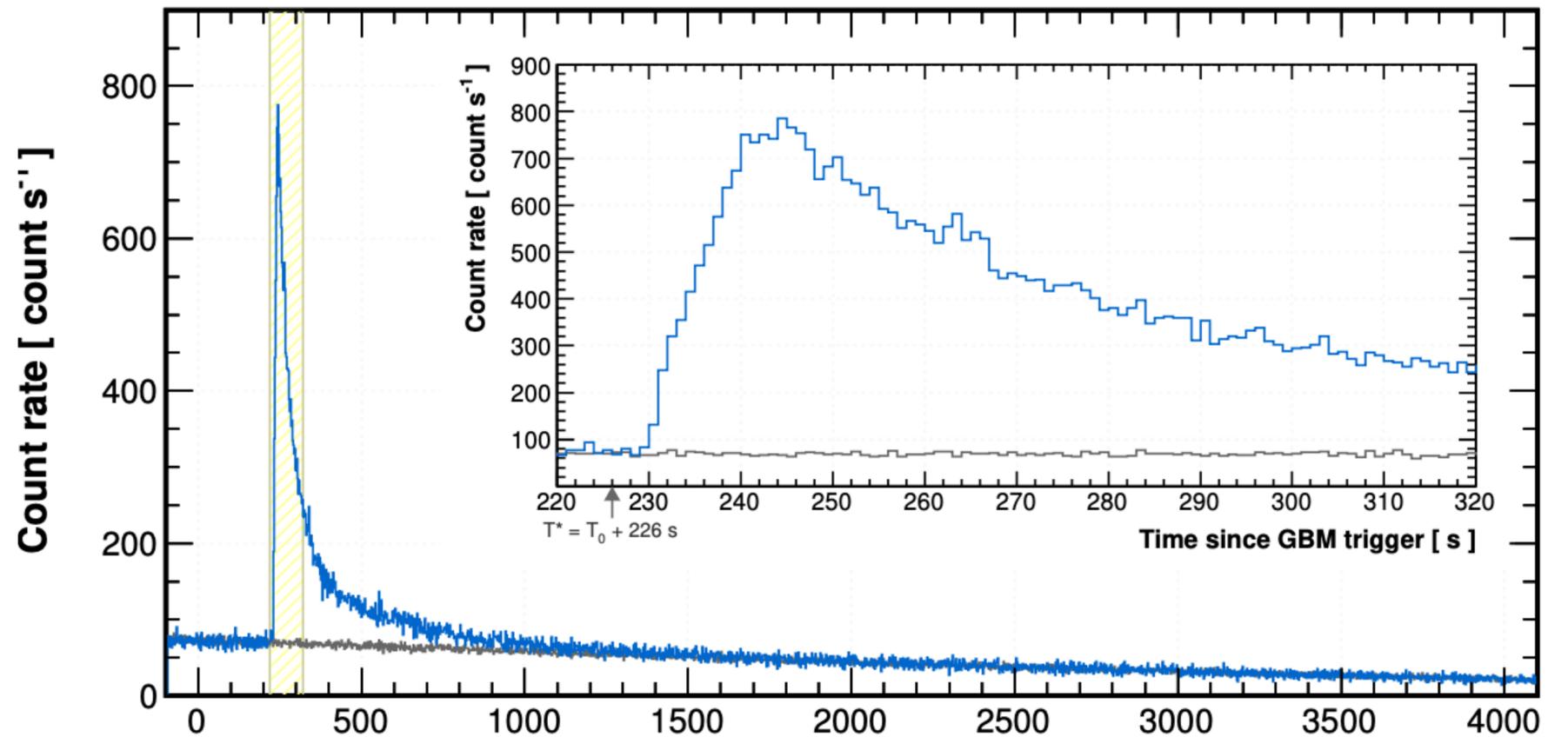
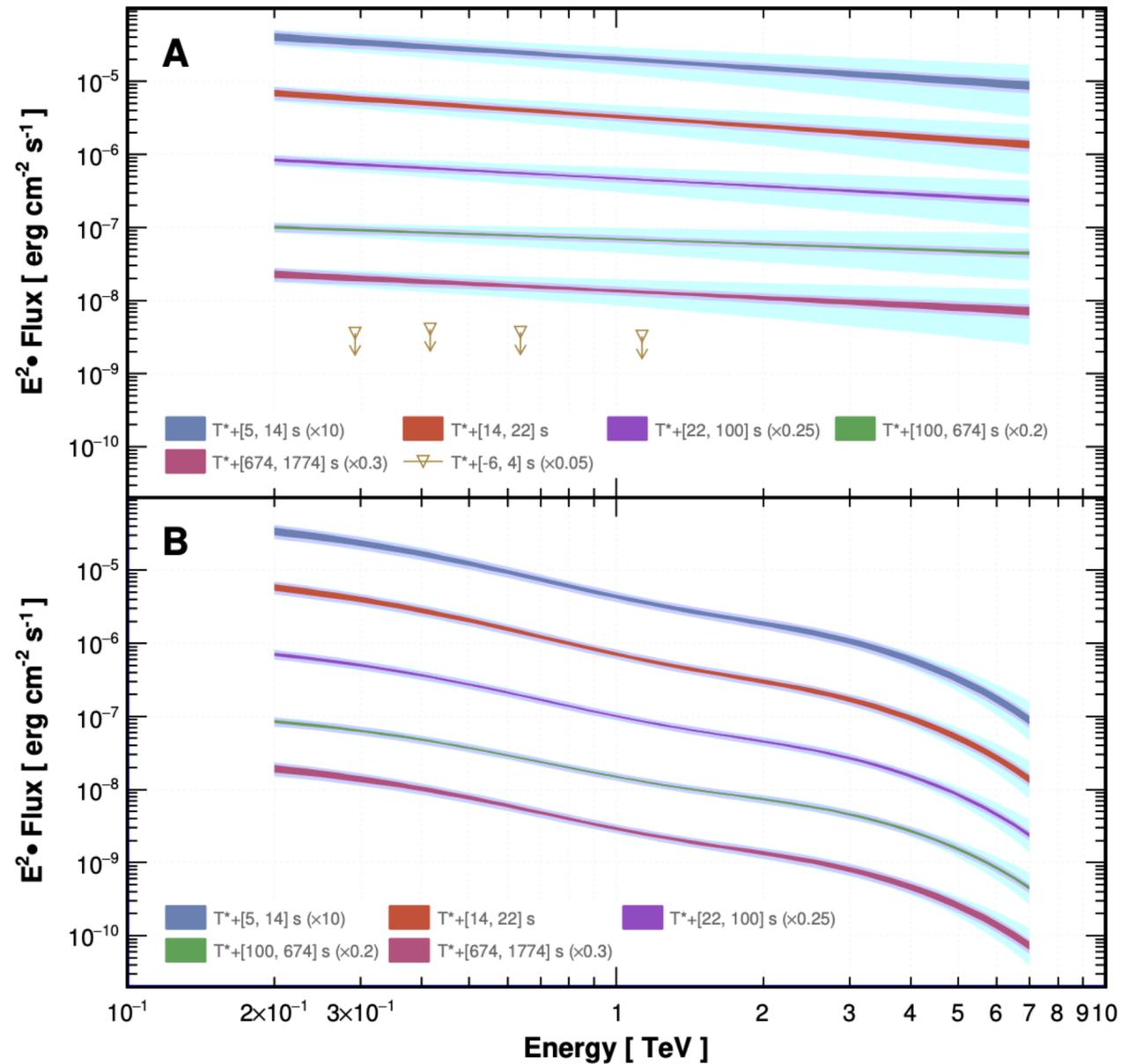


TeV



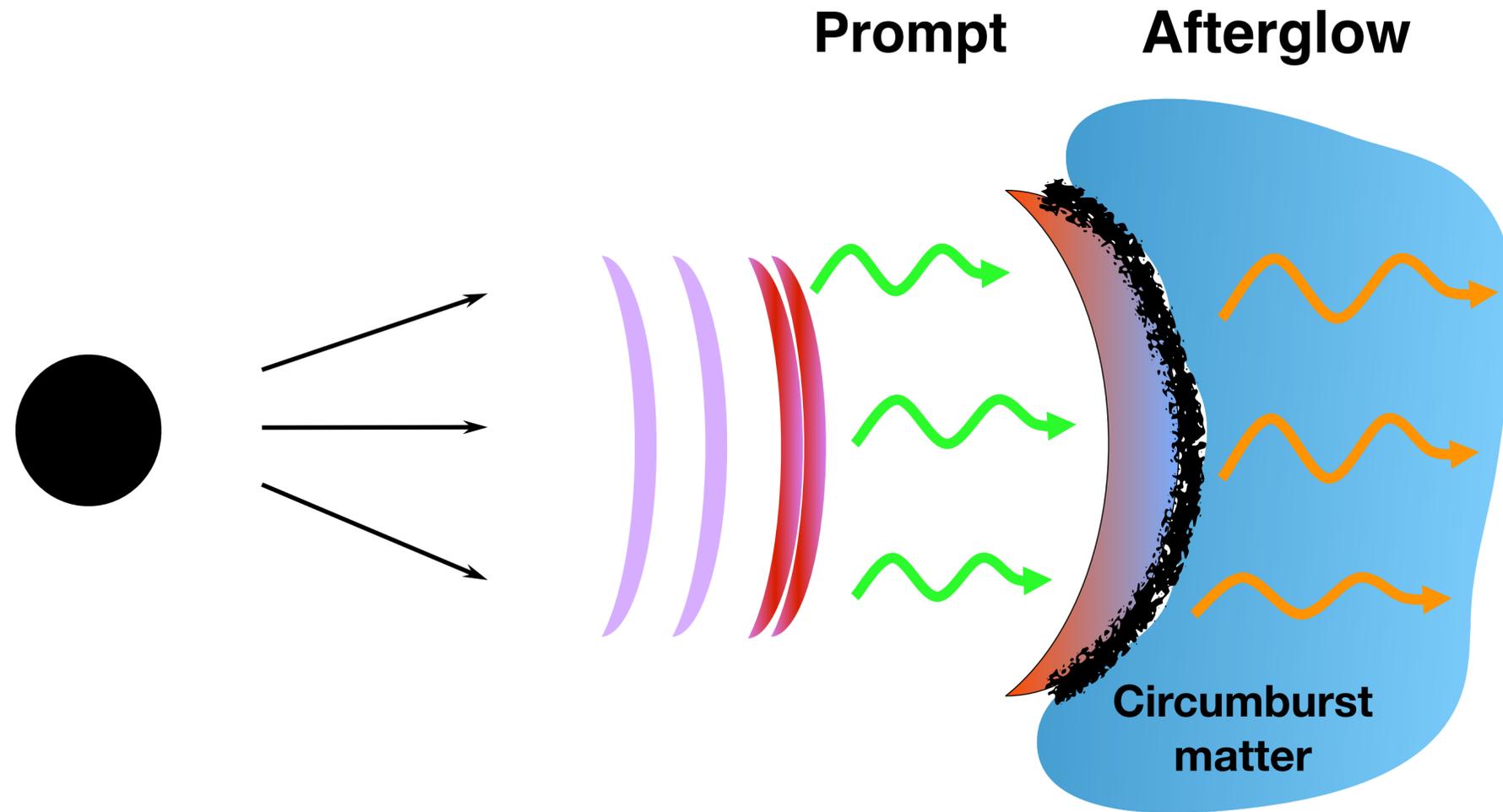
SSC including Klein-Nishina and self absorption
Regular parameters but $E_{k,iso} \sim 10^{53}$ erg and not 10^{55} erg

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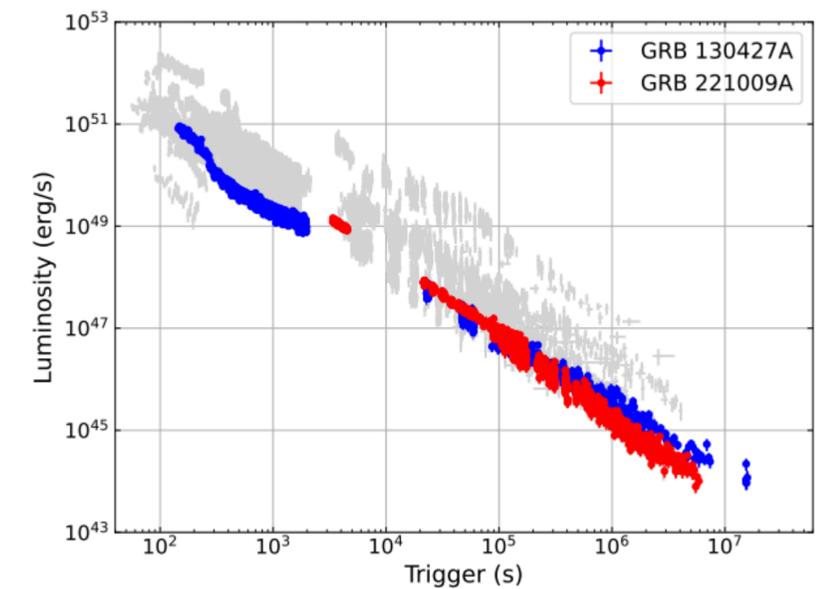
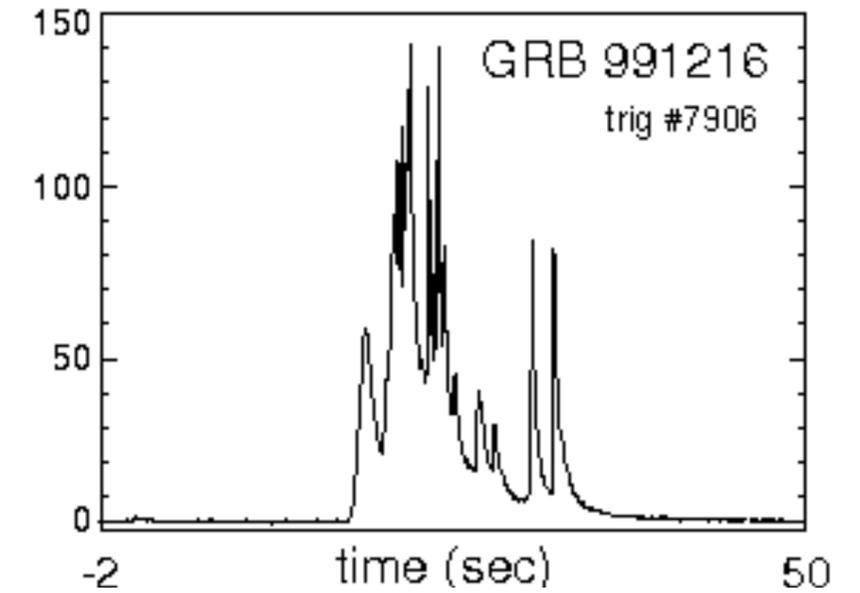


LHAASO Collaboration 0.2 - 7 TeV

The afterglow is smooth :(

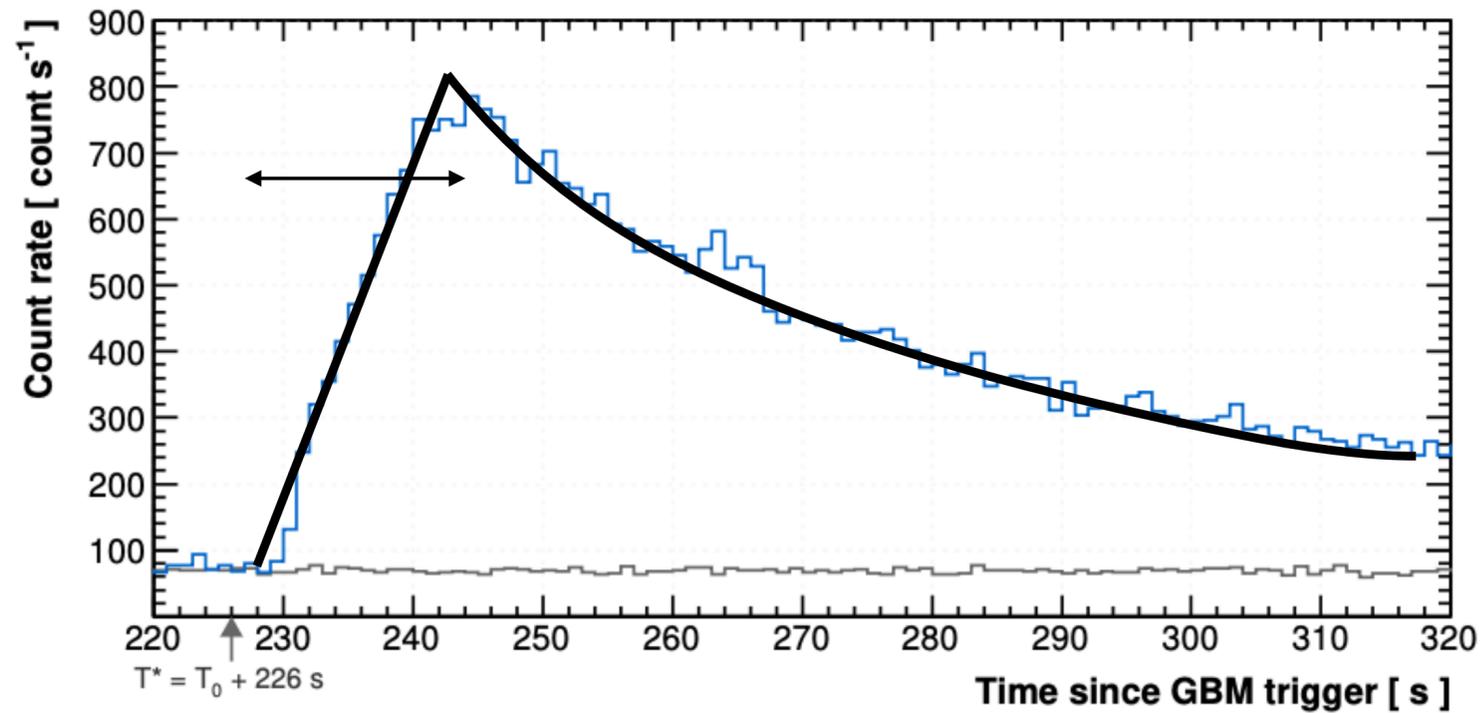


Prompt



Afterglow (from Lan et al., 23)

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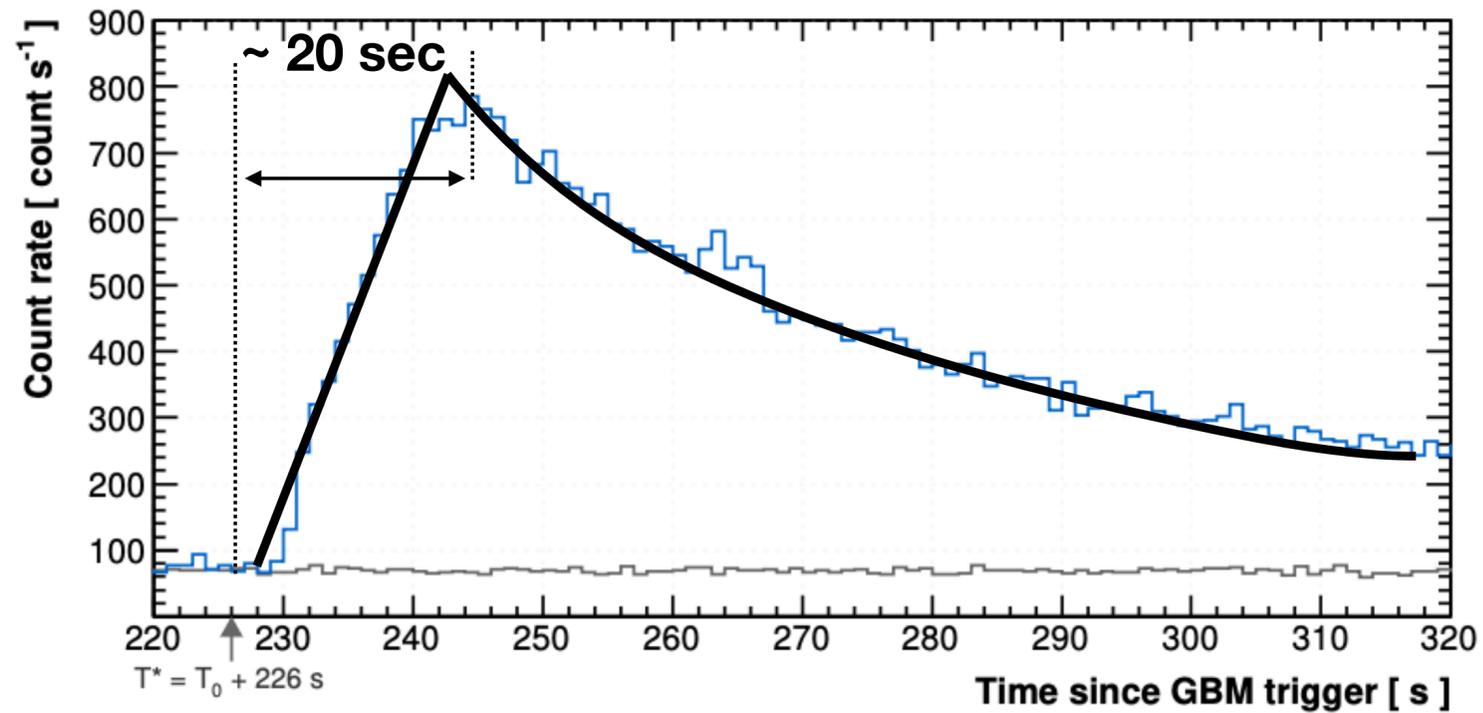
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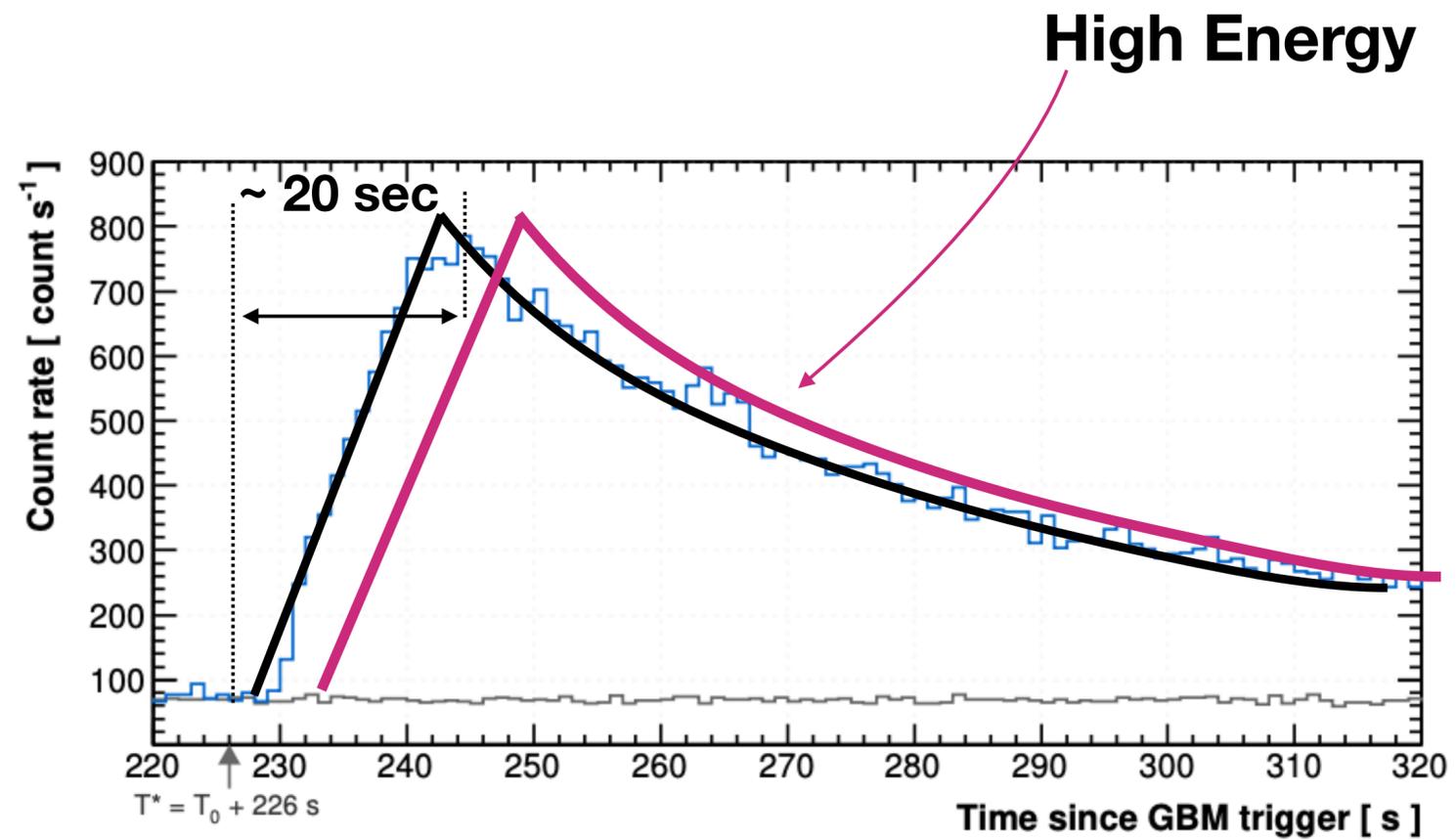
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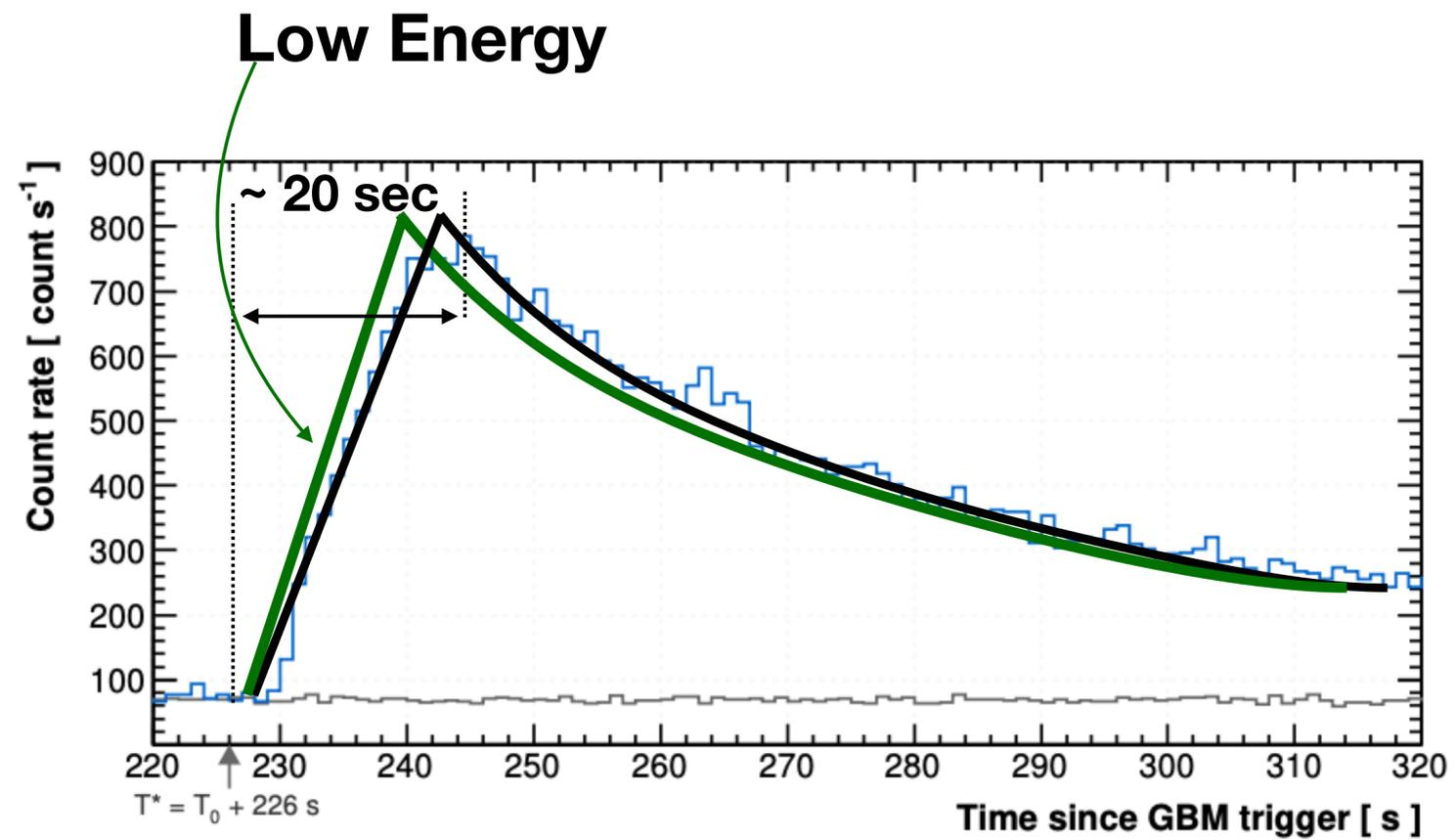
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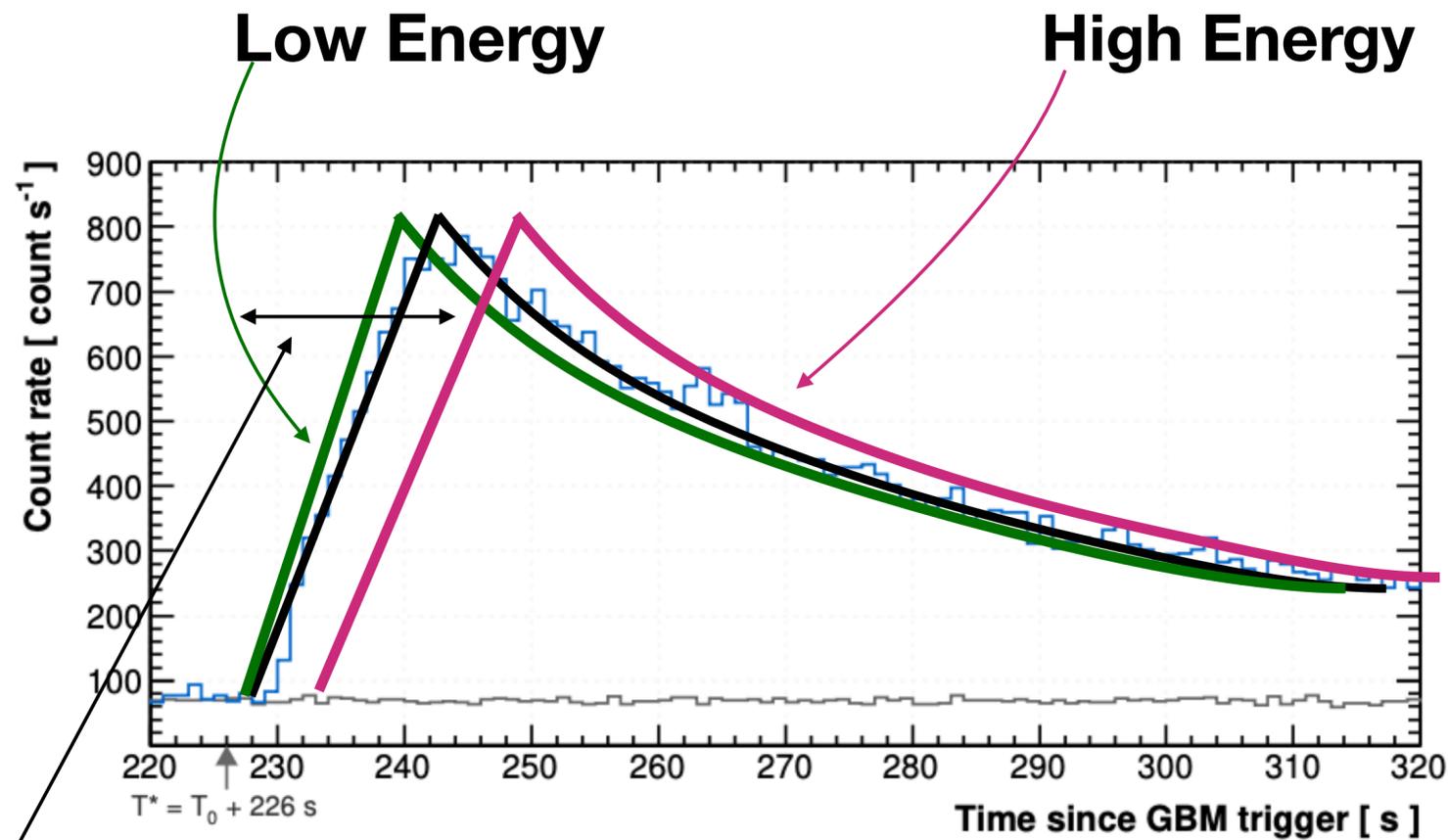
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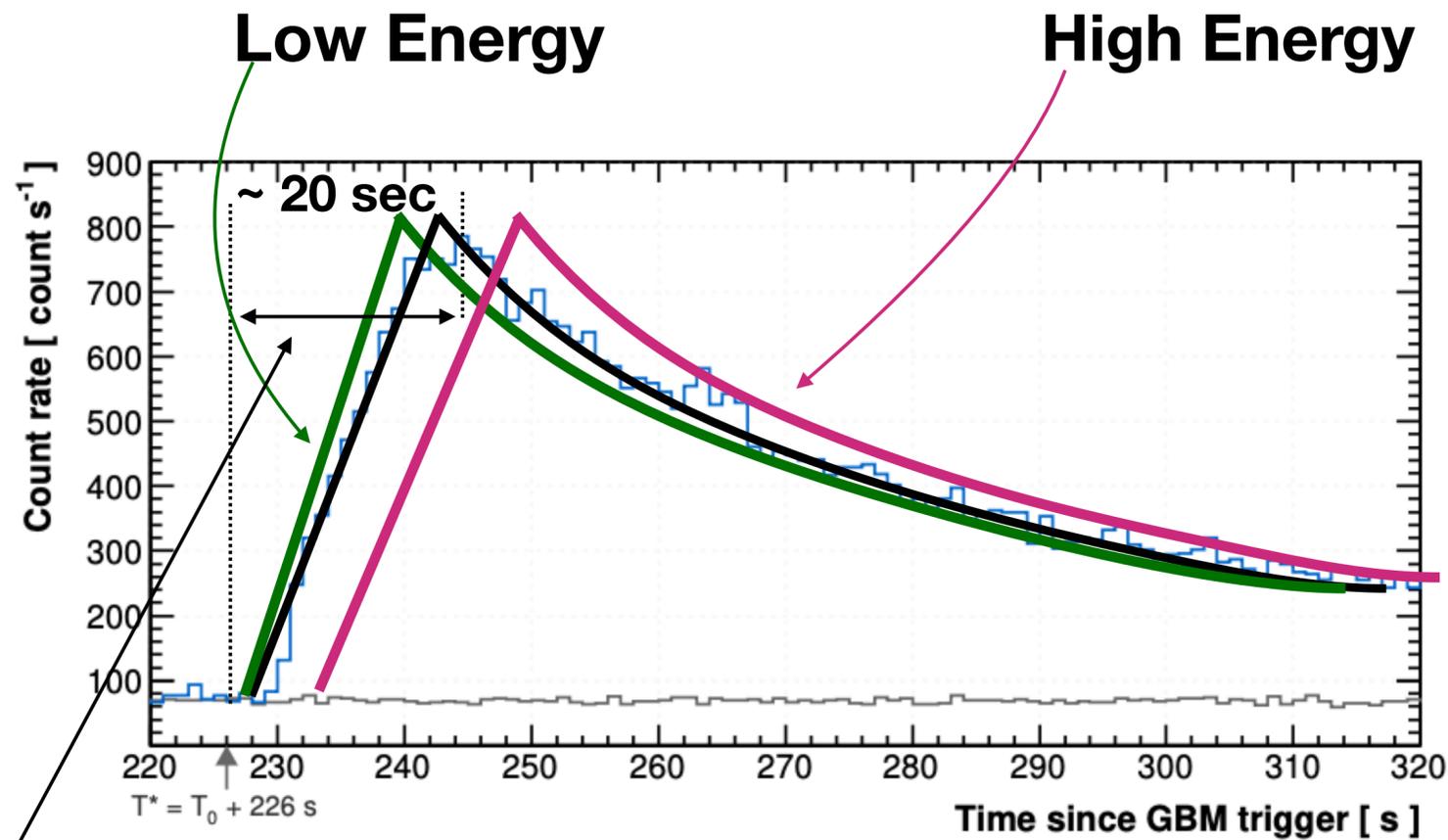
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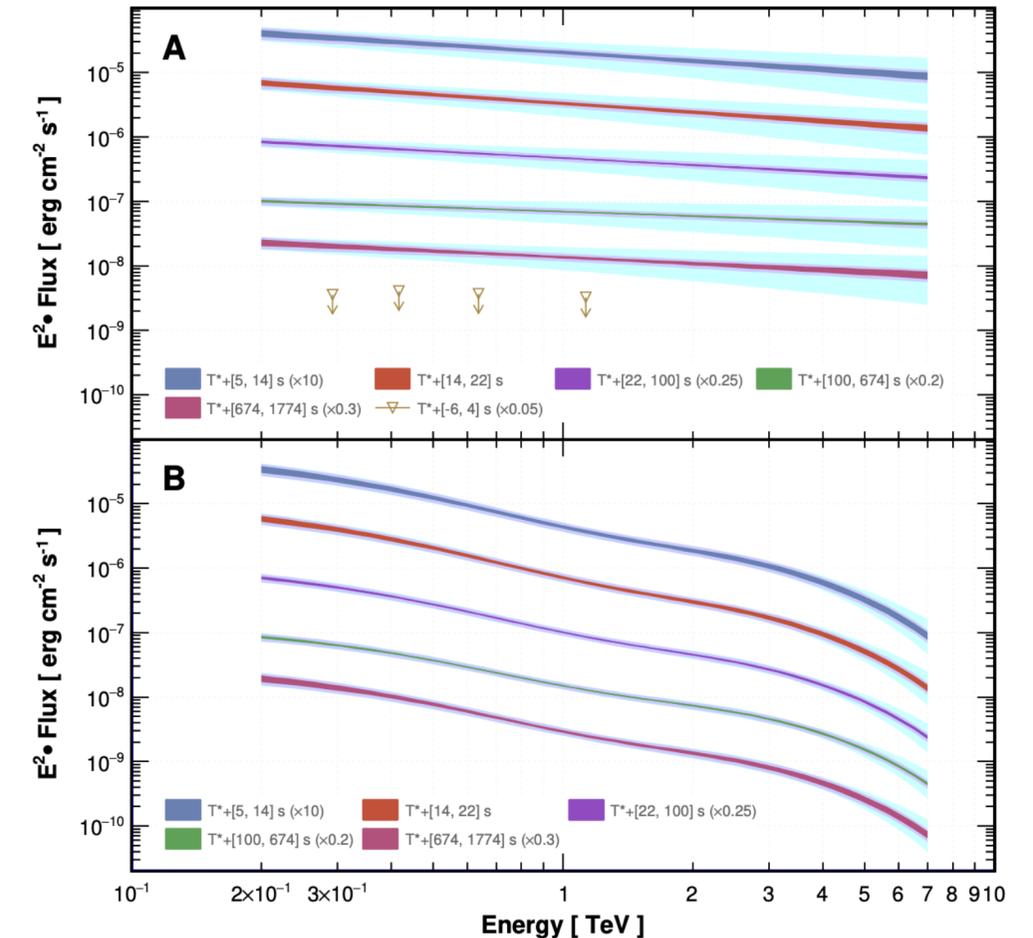
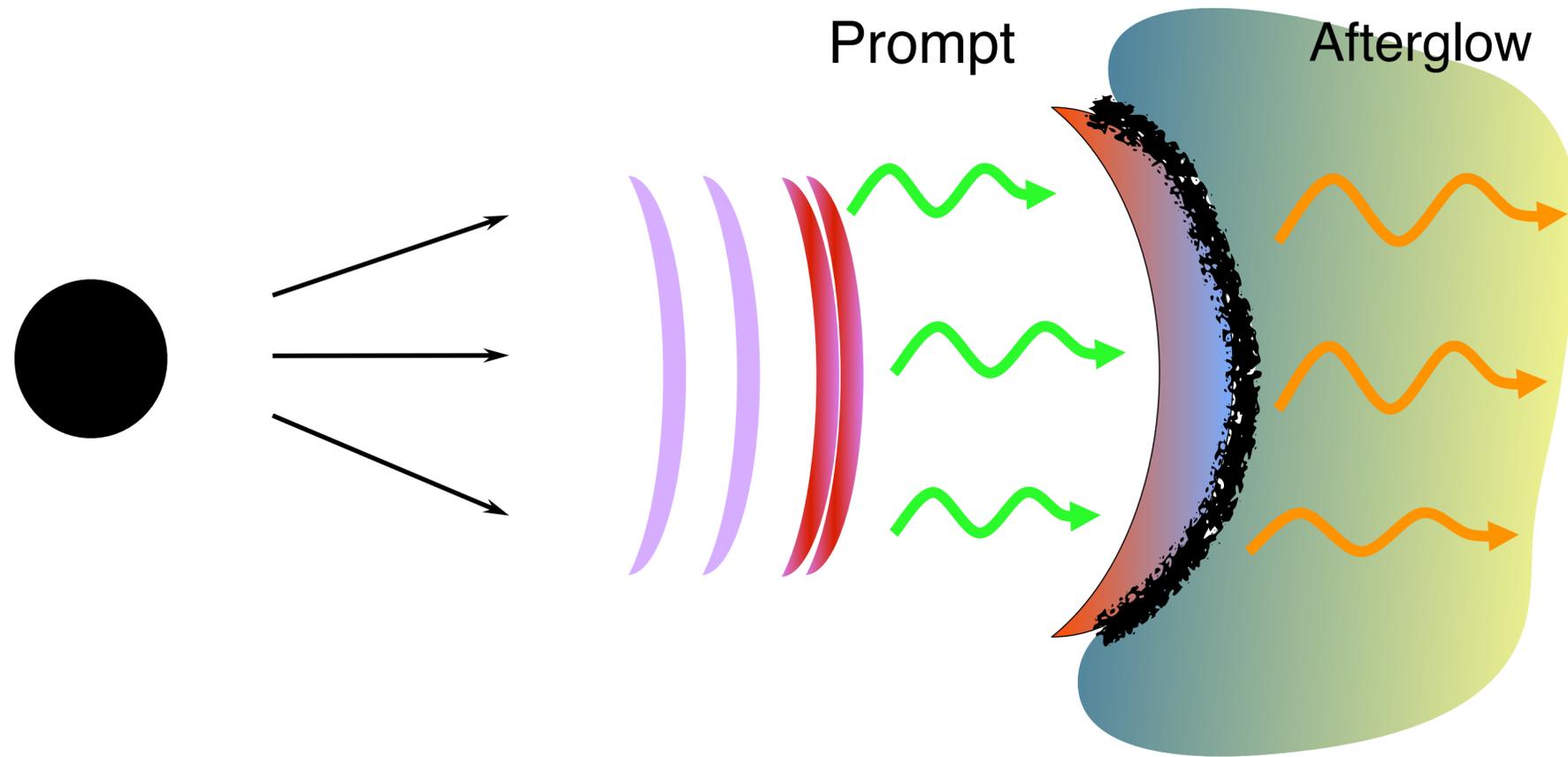
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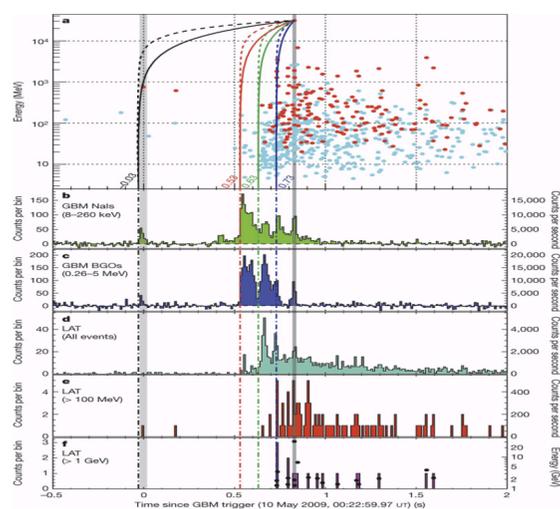
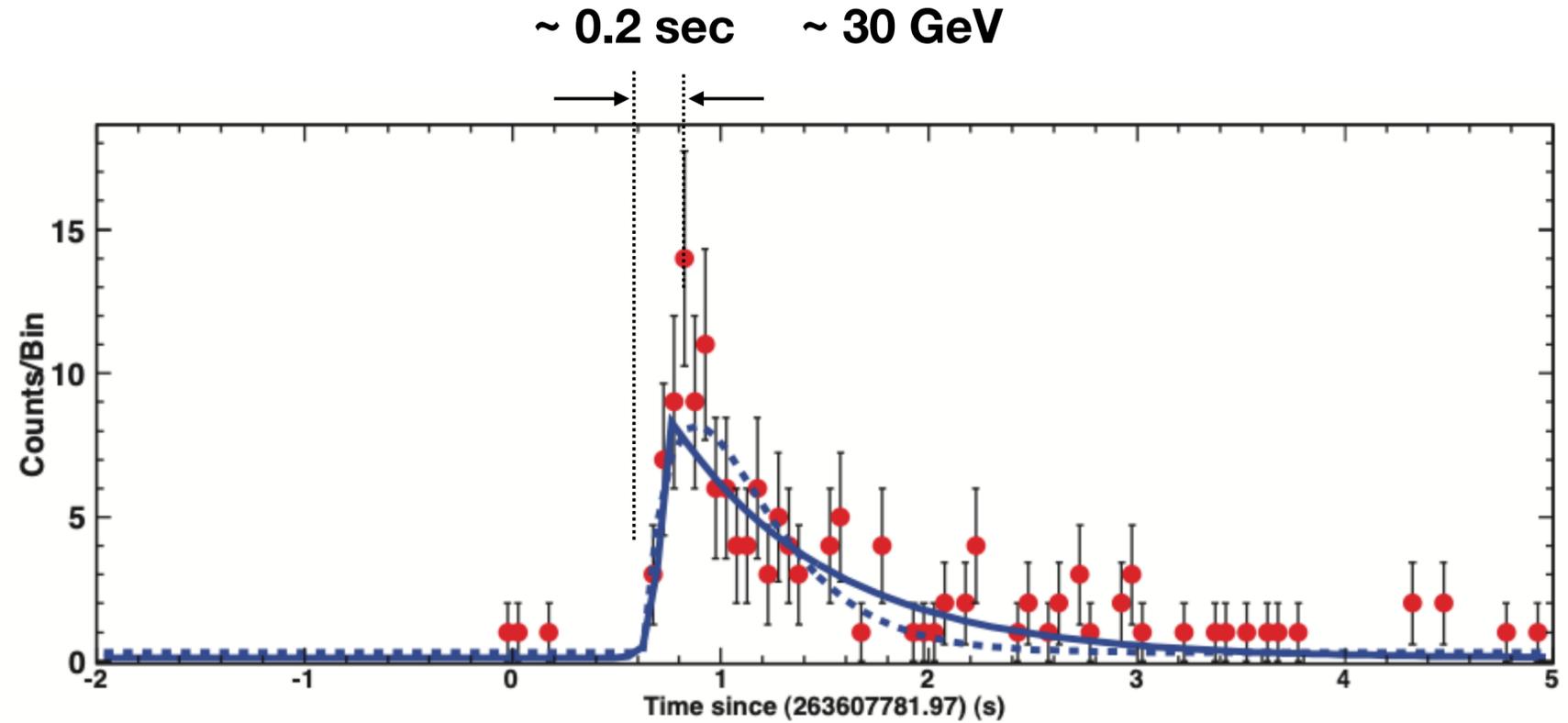
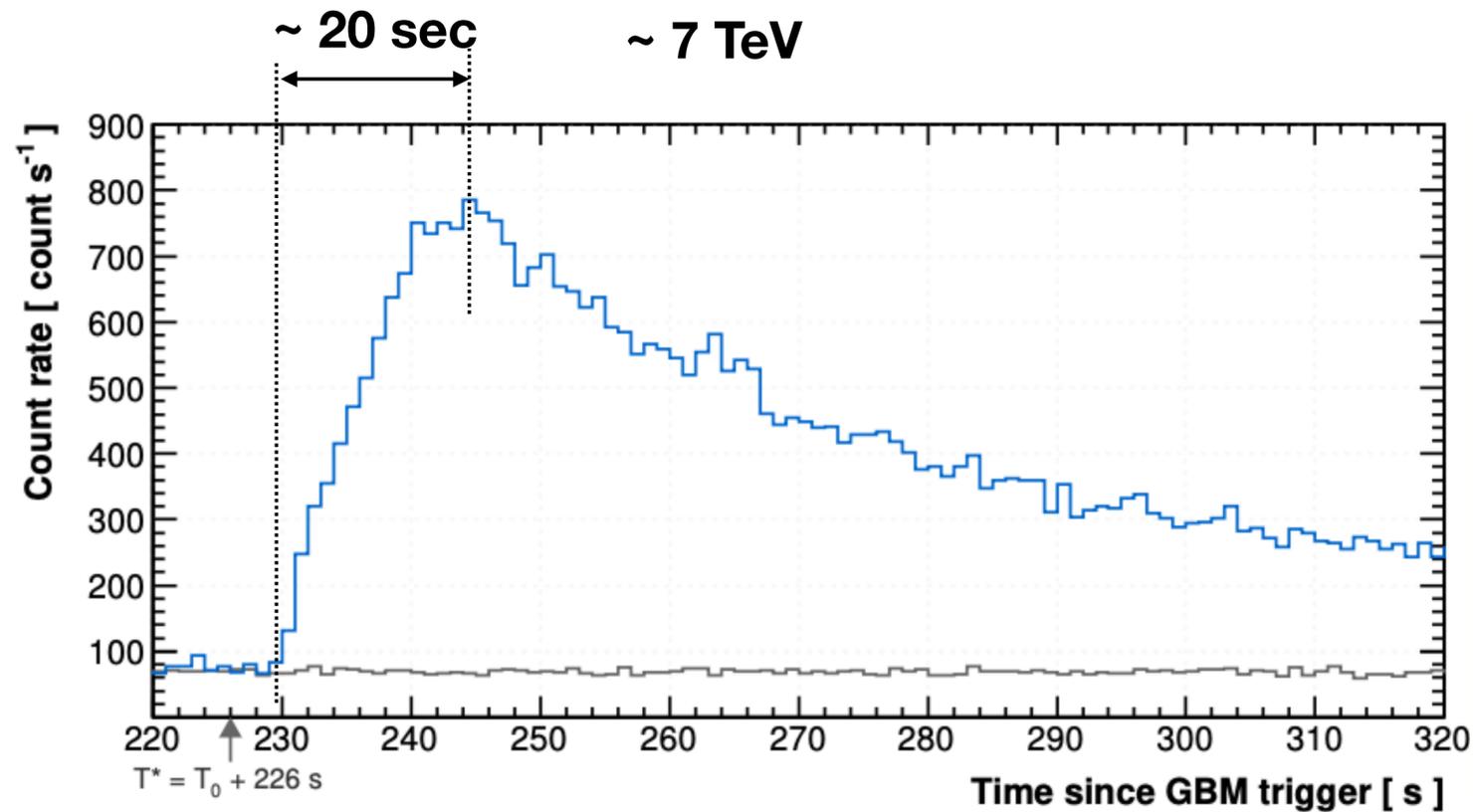
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Intrinsic Spectral Evolution?



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- It is unlikely that intrinsic spectral evolution and LIV will combine to give a constant spectrum

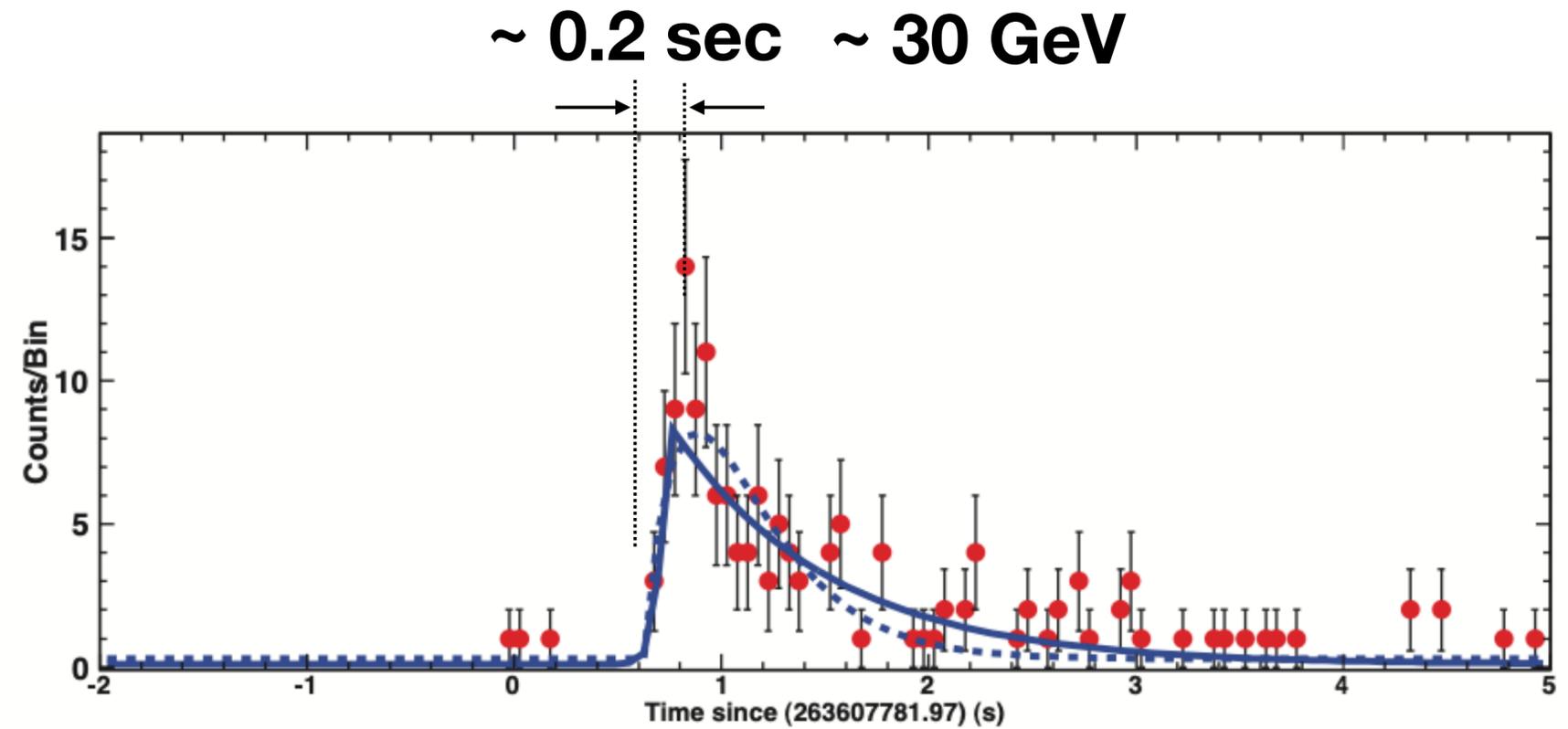
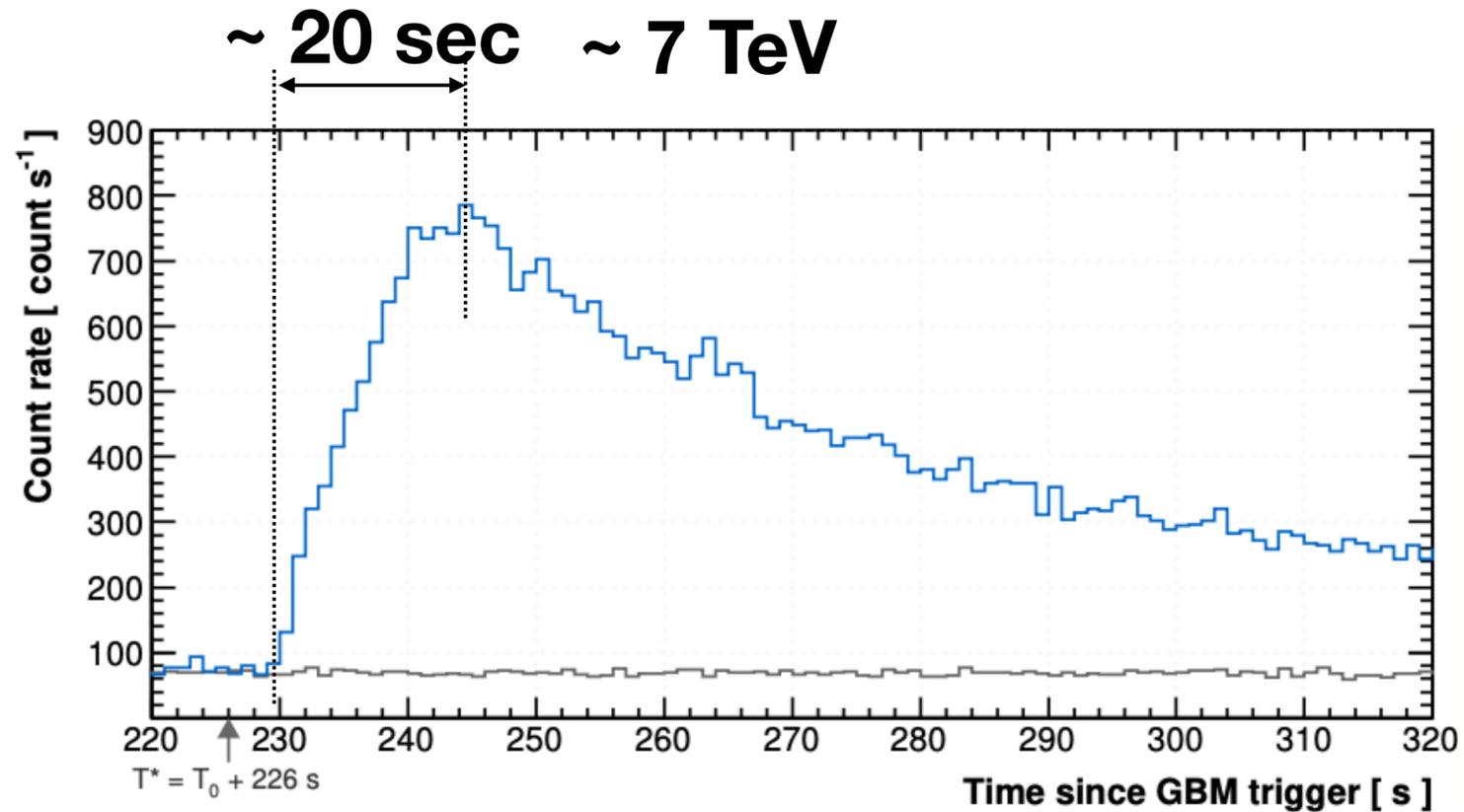
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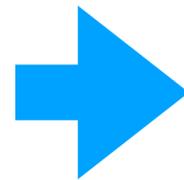
This was also an afterglow (Ghirlanda et al., 2010)

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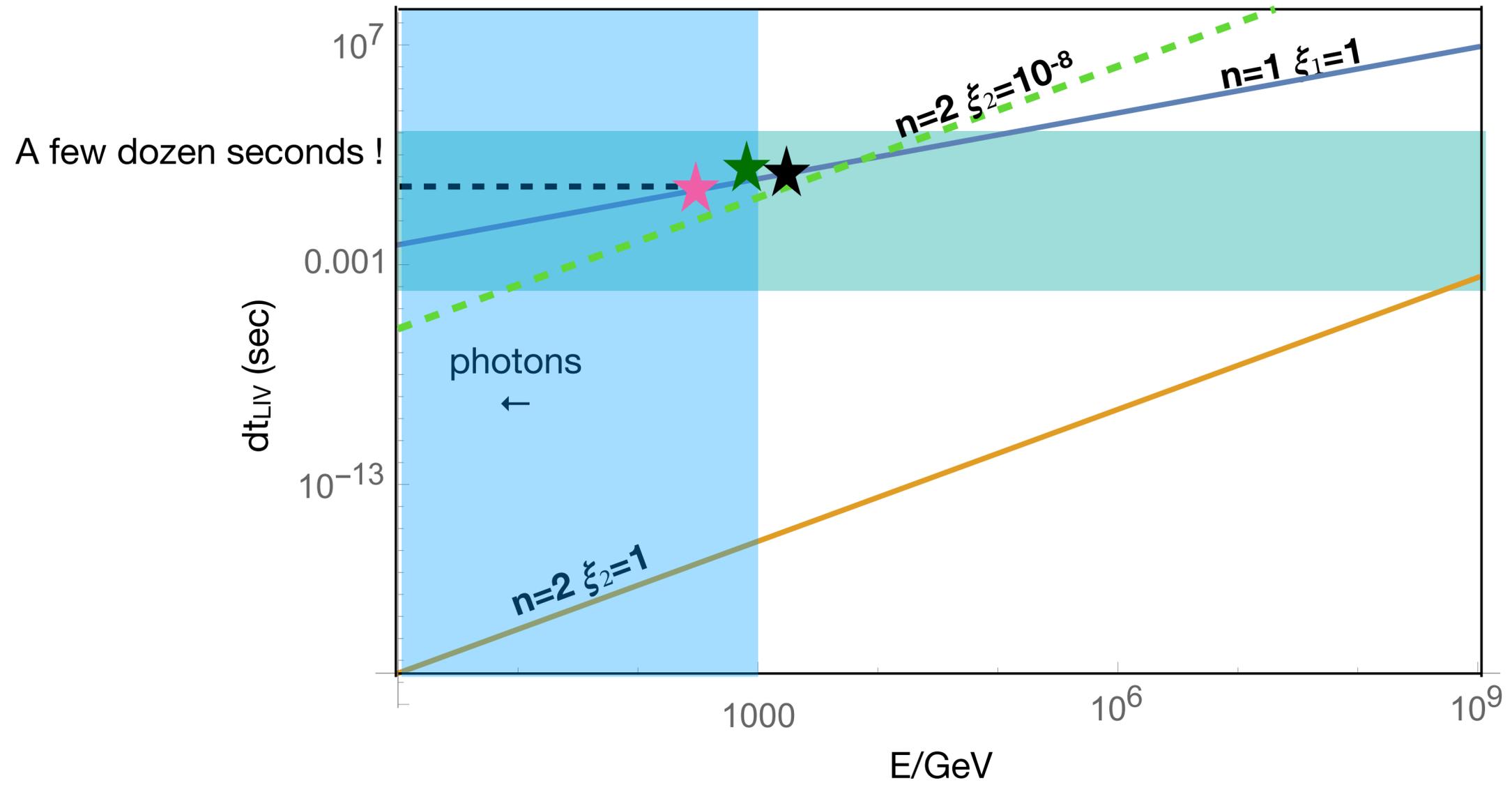


$$\frac{20}{0.2} \approx \frac{7}{0.03}$$



**Comparable LIV limits for n=1.
Much better limits for n=2**

We should also take into account that 221009A was about 6 times nearer



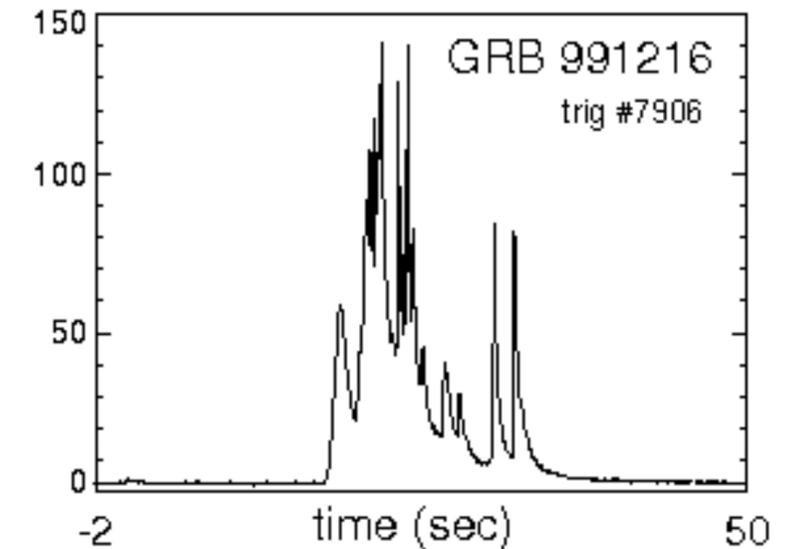
LIV limits from the prompt Phase

- $\delta t = \max\{\delta t_{\text{instrument}}, \delta t_{\text{flux}}, \delta t_{\text{intrinsic}}\} \gtrsim$ a few msec

- $E_{\text{max}} \stackrel{?}{\lesssim} 100$ MeV

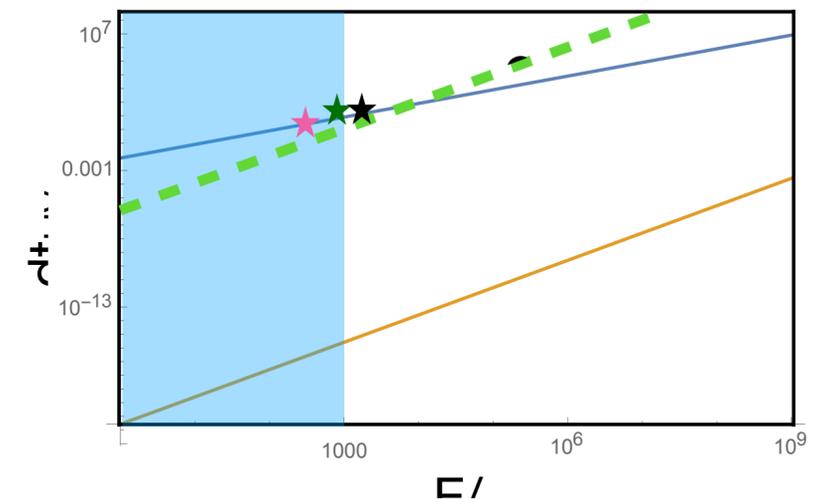
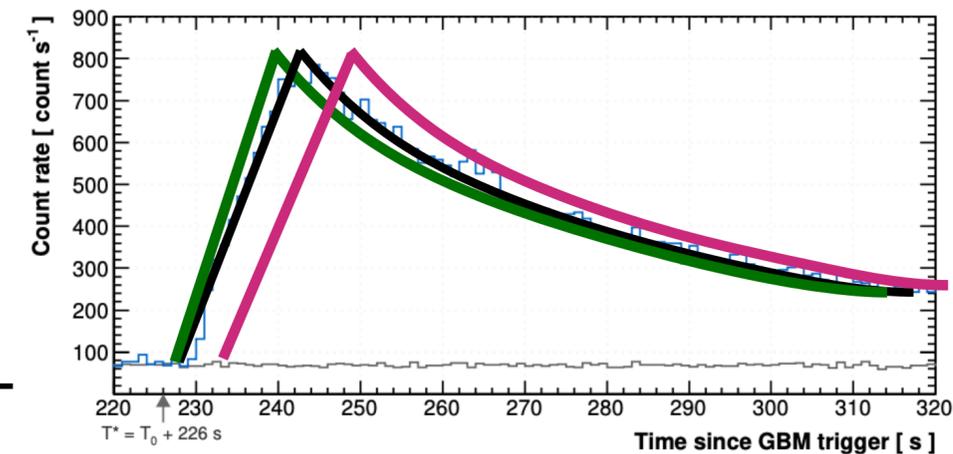
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LIV and TeV

- GRB TeV emission is Afterglow (Derishev & Piran 2019) (Kumar & Barniol Duran 2010; Ghisellini et al., 2010 for GeV emission).
- TeV afterglows are nicely explained as SSC within the “pair balance” model (Derishev Piran 2016,2019,2021)
- The Afterglow is smooth :(
- But, the rising afterglow phase can reveal or set limits on L
- LIV n=1 time of flight limits from **090510A** (GeV) **190114c** (TeV) and **221009A** (TeV) are: **$E_{LIV(1)} > \text{a few } m_{pl}$**
- ~~LIV explanations of the 18 TeV photons~~
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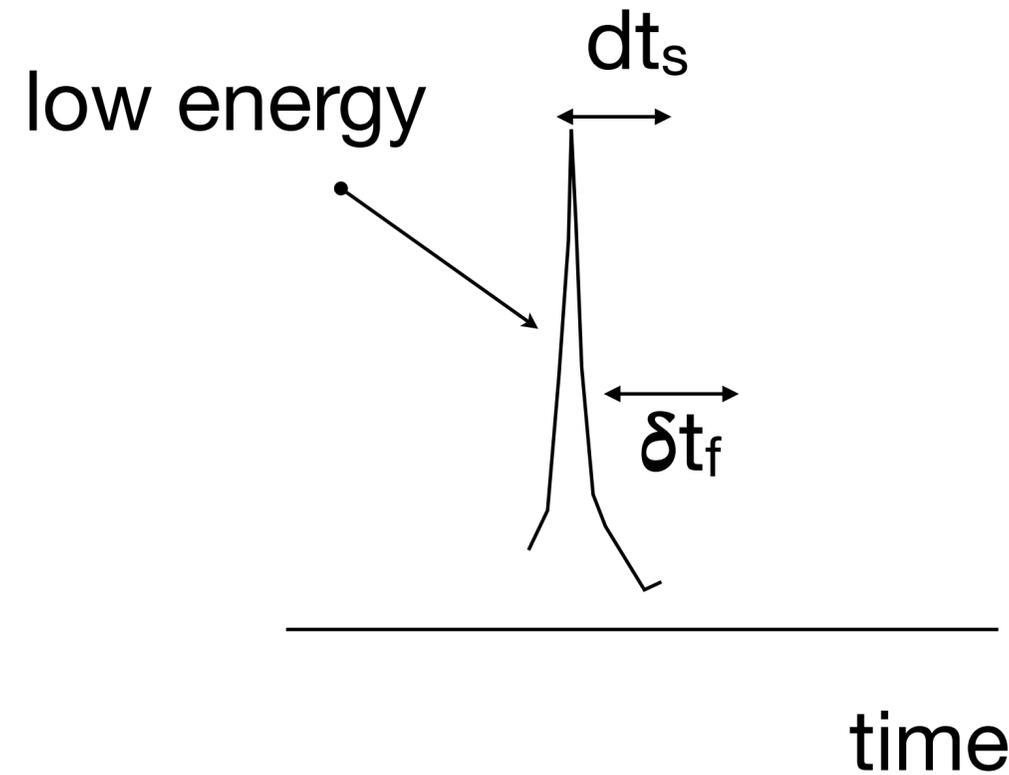


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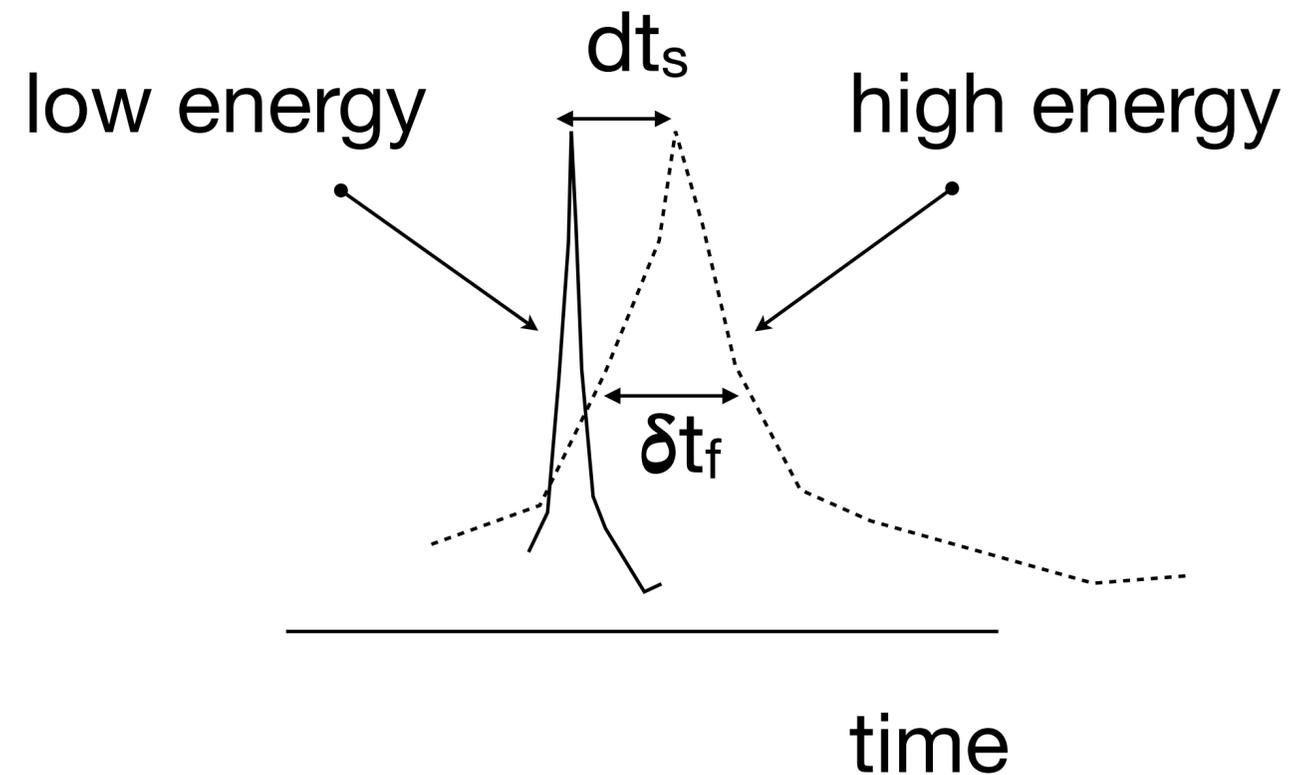
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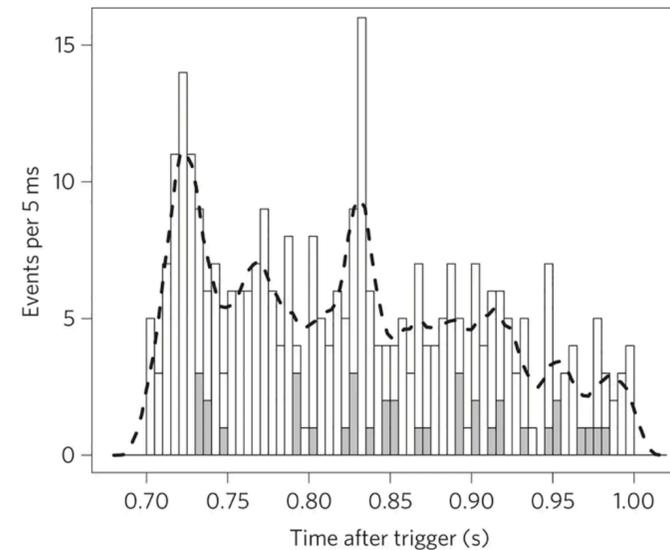
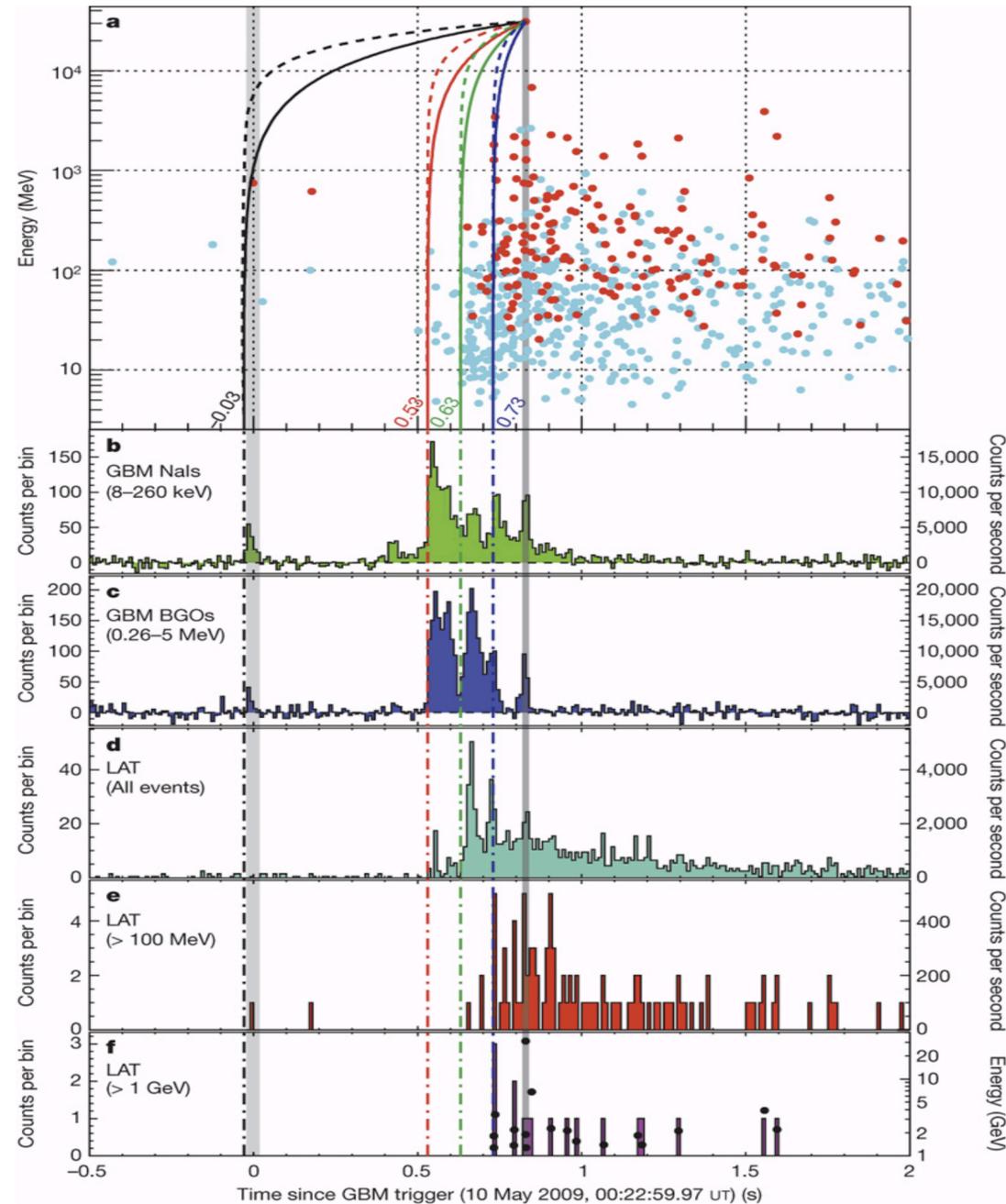


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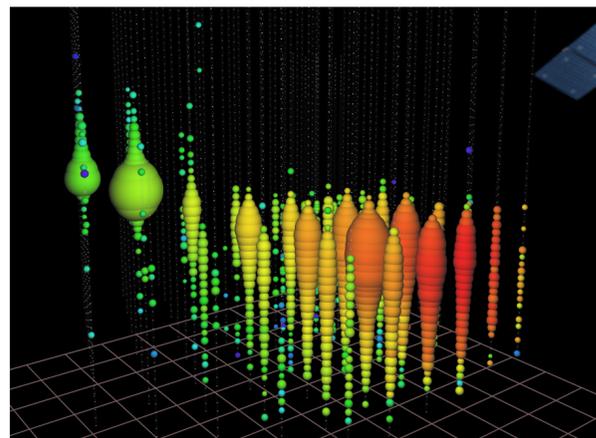
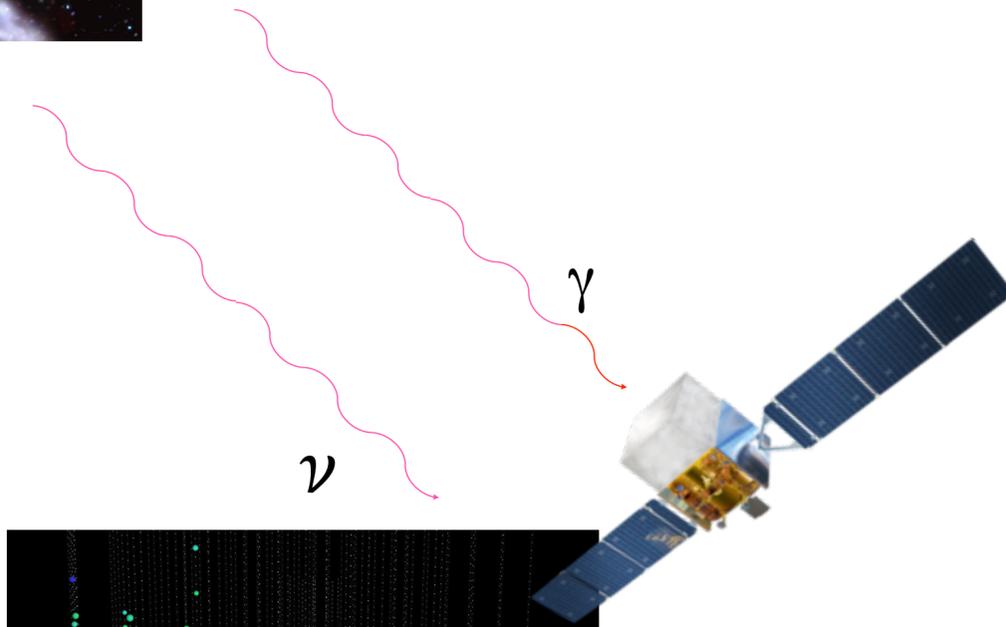
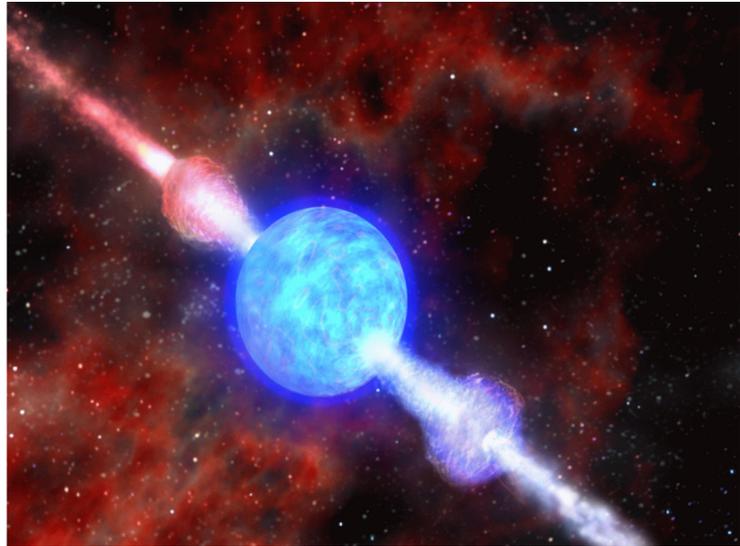
$$t = t_{\text{em}} + (\Delta t/dE)_s E + f(\delta T/dE)_f E$$

f is a random Gaussian variable

We find
 $(\delta T/dE)_f < 0.04 \text{ sec/GeV}$ for
 the fuzzy shift and
 $(\Delta t/dE)_s < 0.01 \text{ sec/GeV}$
 for the systematic shift.
 The limit on “fuzzy” LIV energy
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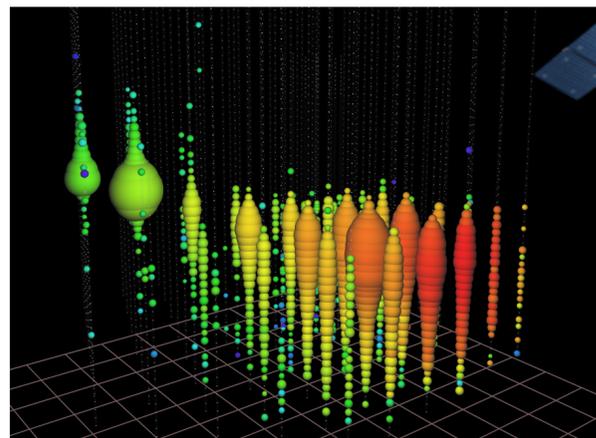
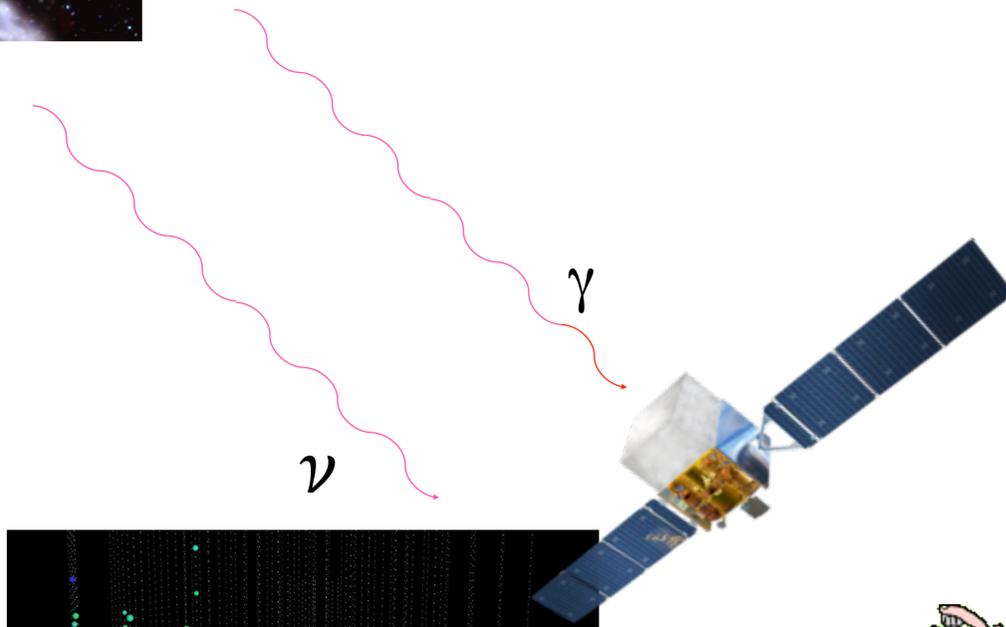
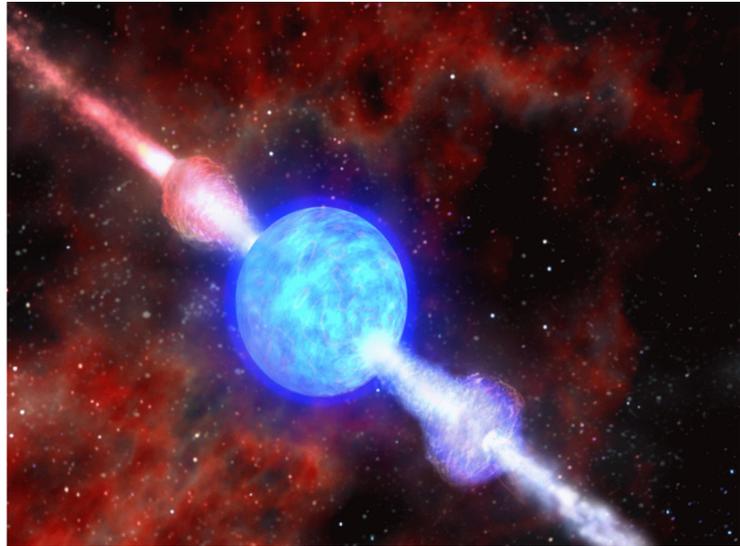


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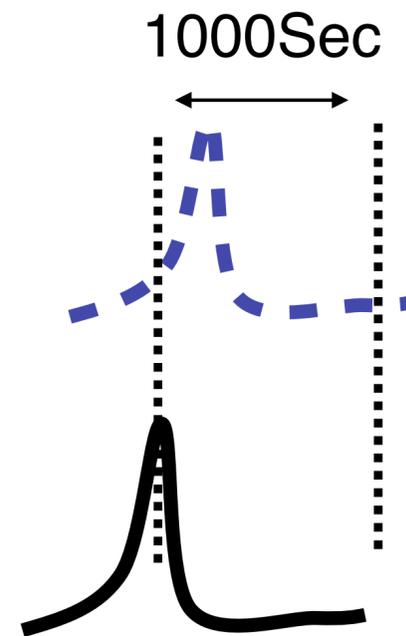


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GRB photons and HE neutrinos

(Jacob and TP, 2007)

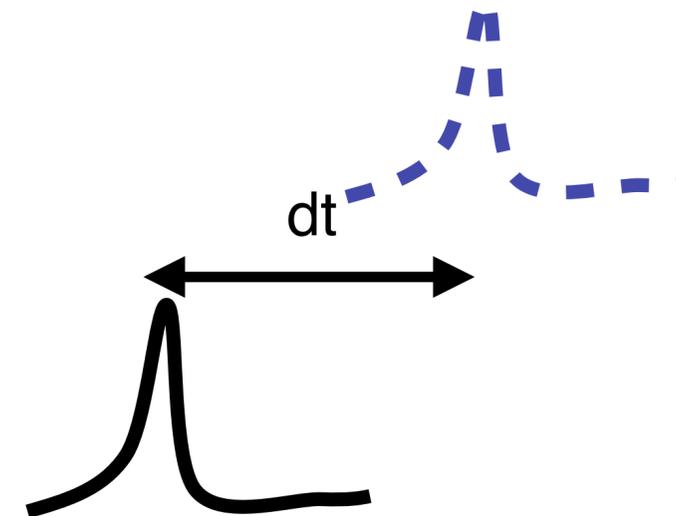
Possible
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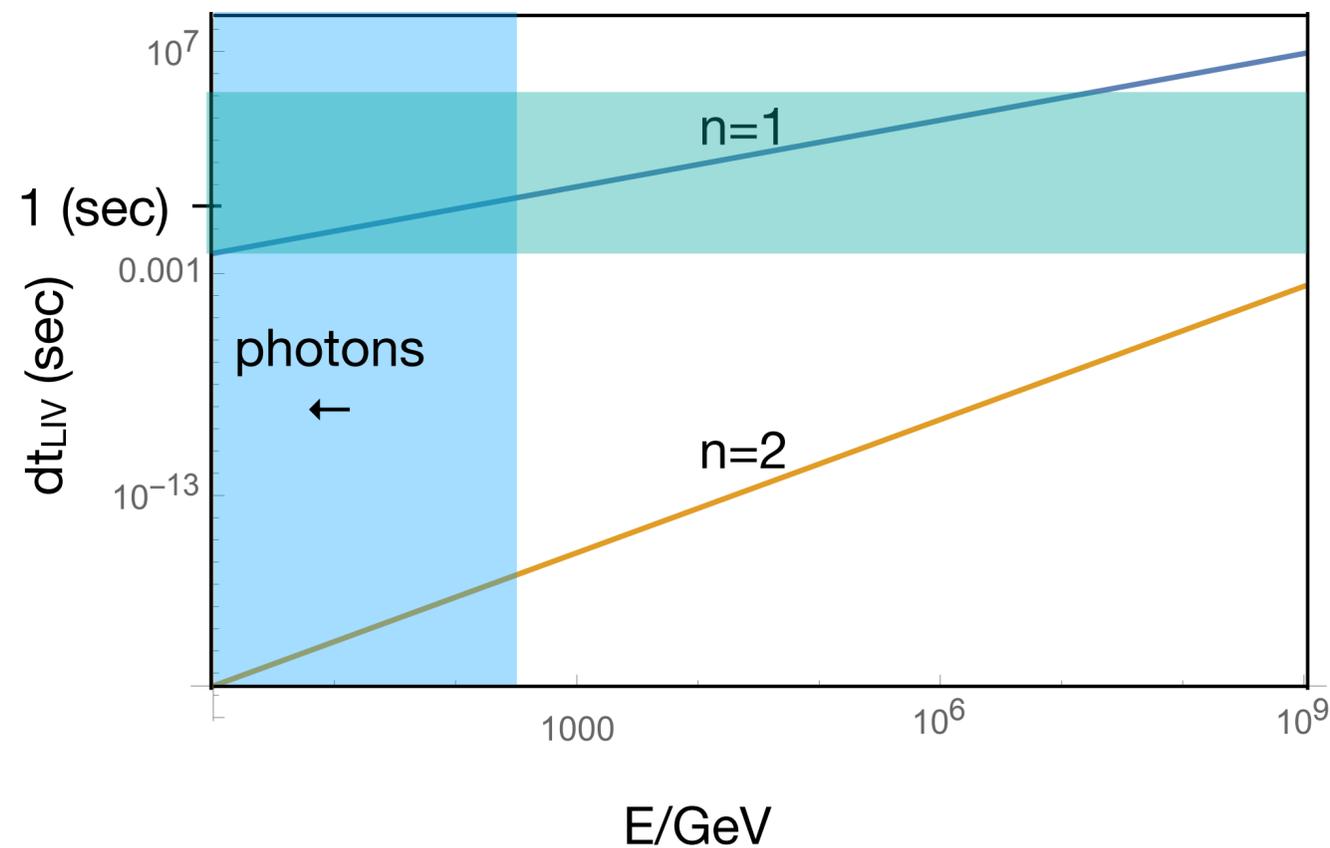
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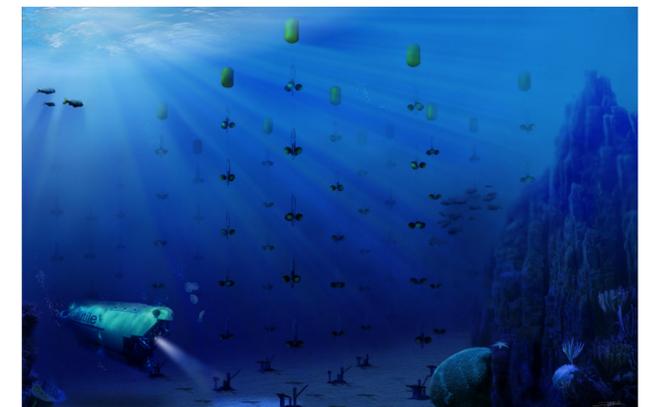
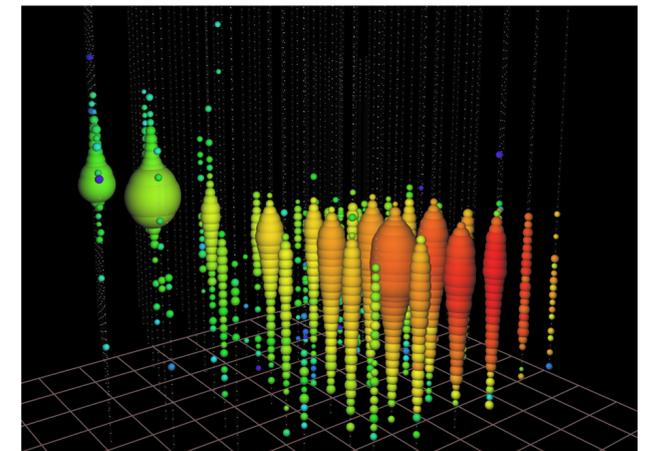


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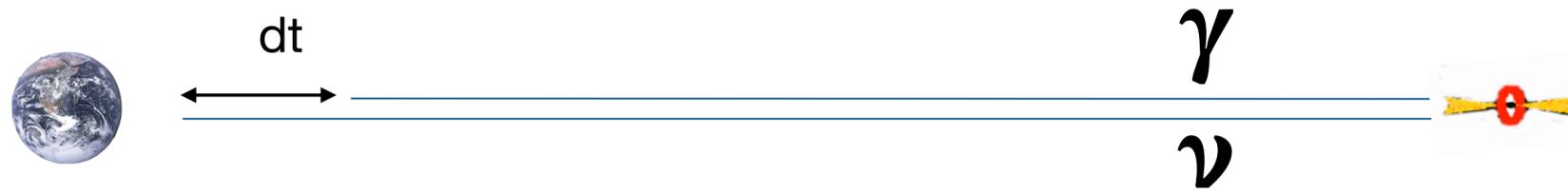
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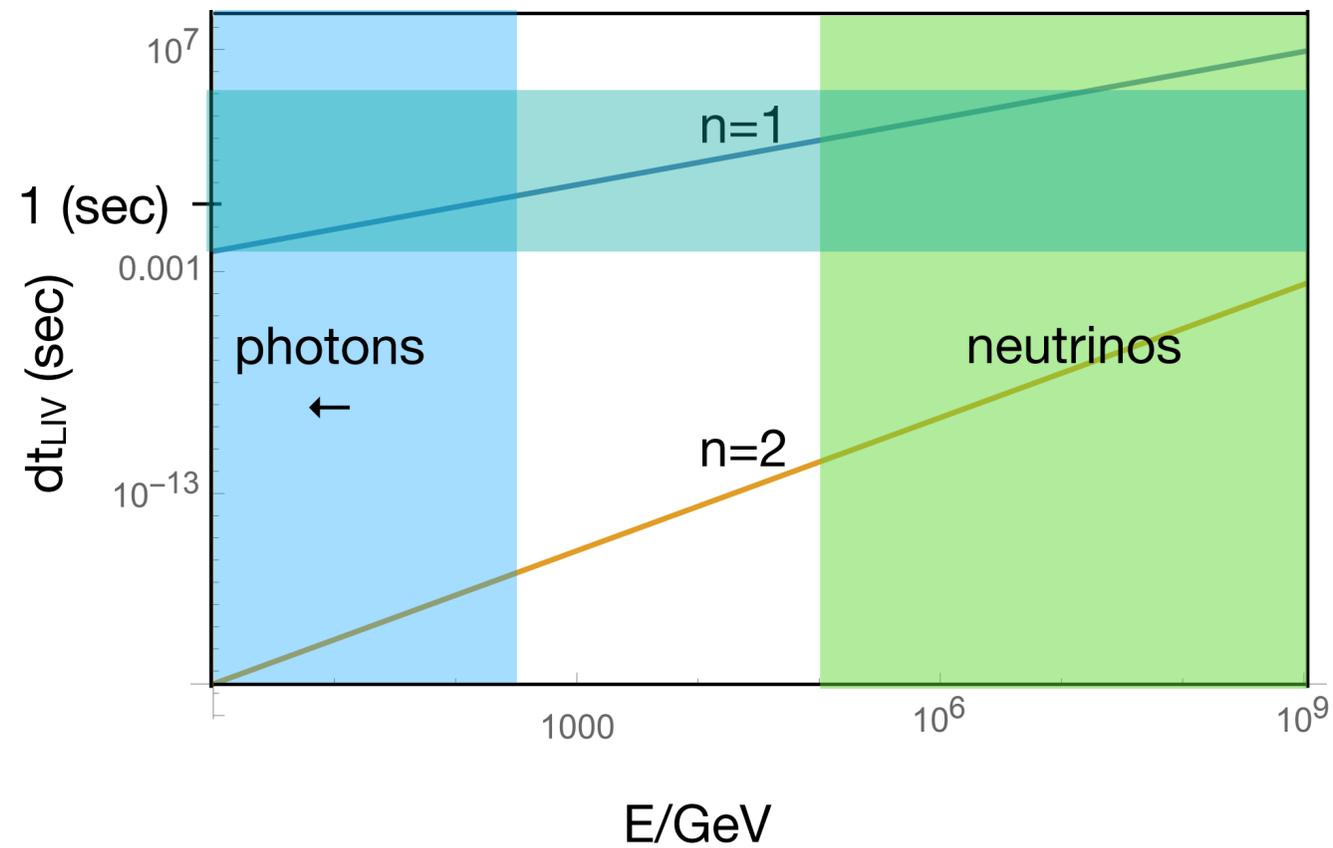


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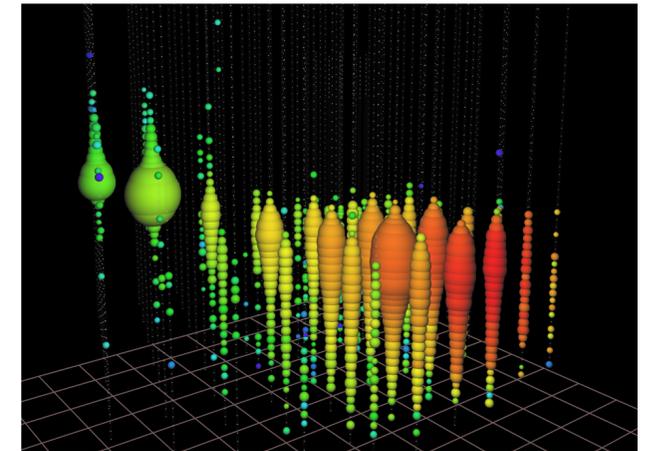


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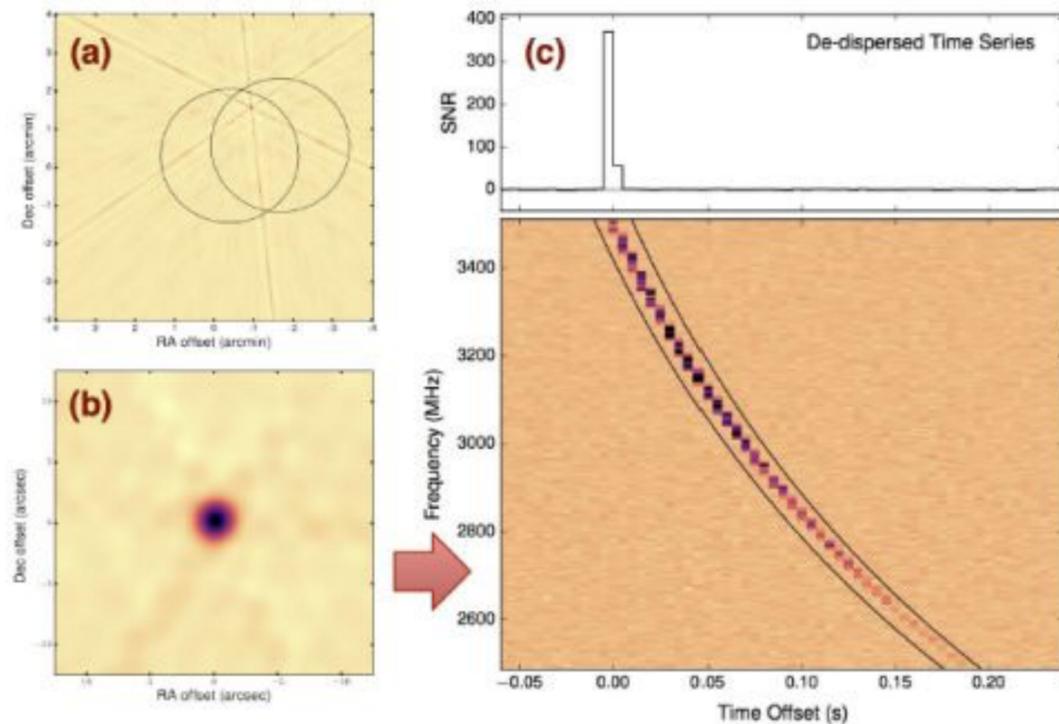


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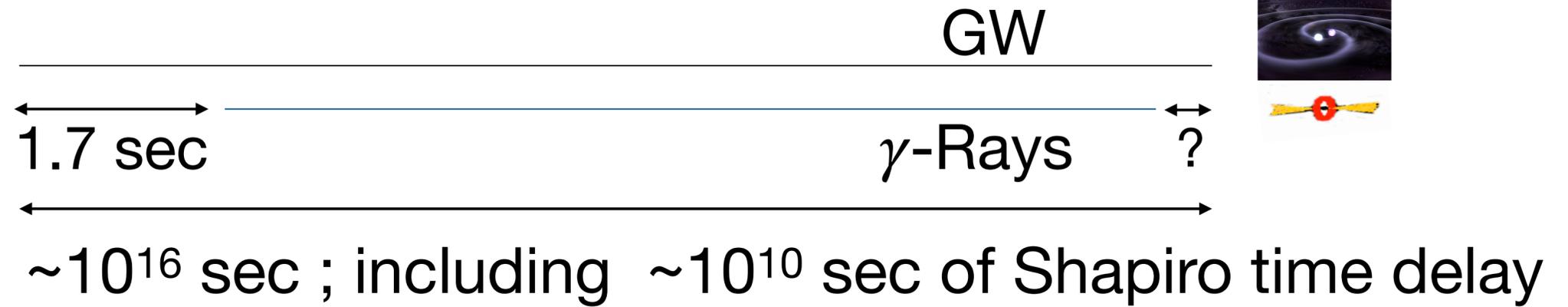
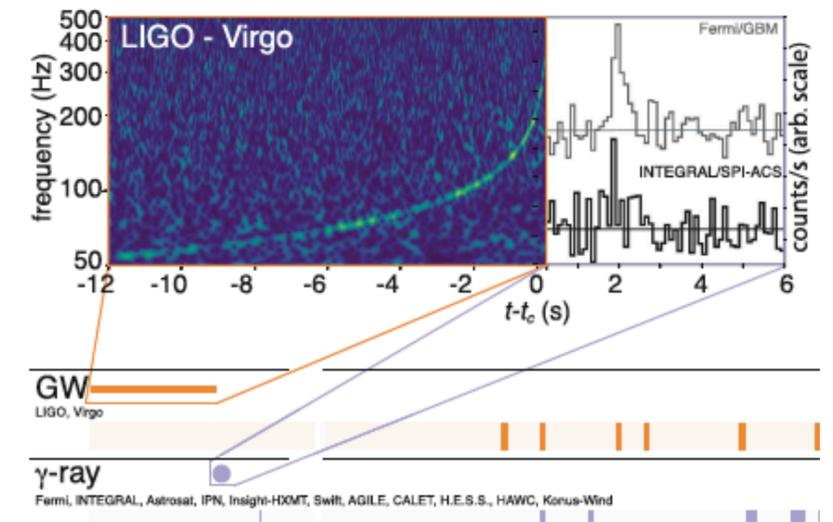
Fast Radio Bursts (the new player in town)



(a) VLA localization of FRB 121102

- msec duration pulses at a \sim GHz
- Limit on photon mass of $< 10^{-10}$ eV (Chibisov 2016)
- Modest cosmological distances
- Ideal for time of flight LIV if accompanied by a high energy counterpart
- So far non was detected 😞
- Emission mechanism still unknown
- If high energy counterpart is detected - we will have to be sure that there is no intrinsic time delay 😞

Gravitational waves?



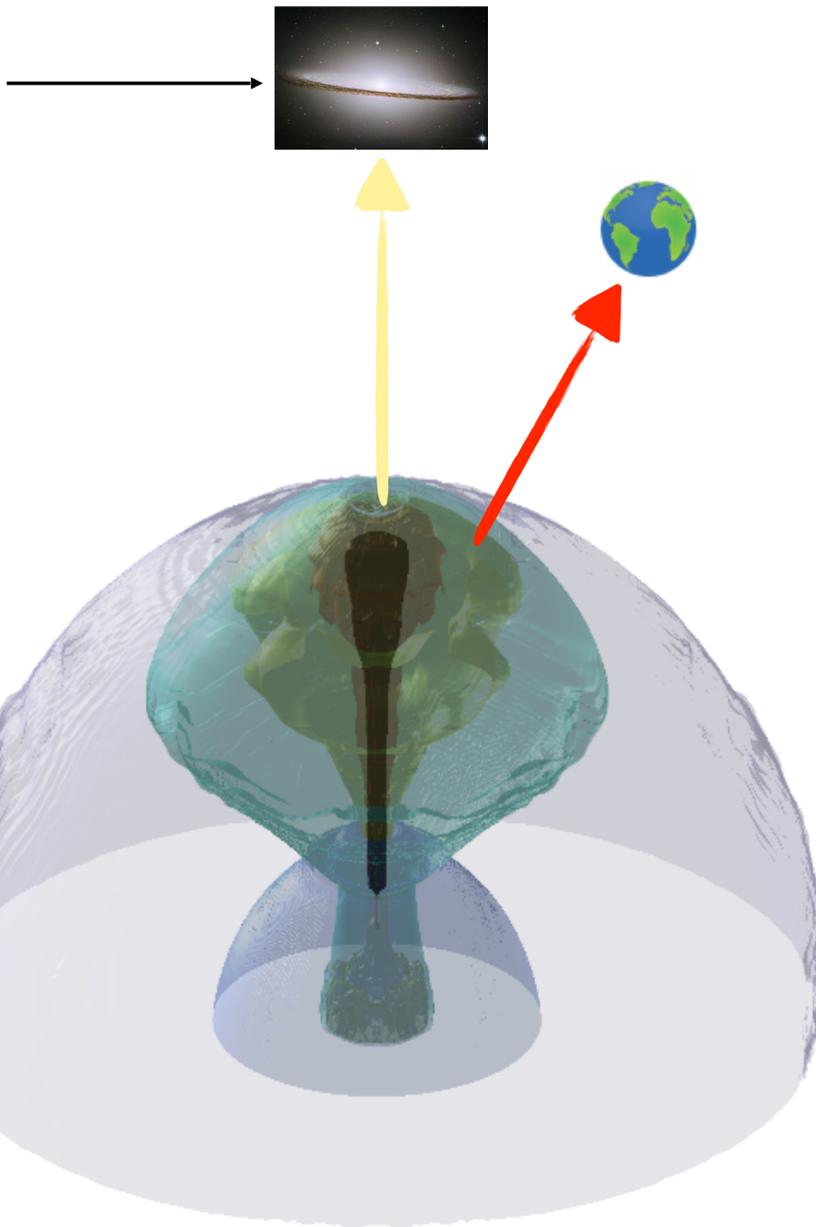
Implications from GW 170817 (e.g. Abbot + 17)

- $(c_{\text{GW}} - c_{\text{photons}})/c \leq o(10^{-15})$
- Weak equivalence principle $\gamma < 10^{-7} - 10^{-10}$

(By the way) GRB 170817A was not a regular short GRB



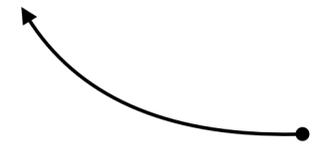
Aliens living here
observed a regular
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GW Lorentz Invariance time of flight ?

For known astronomical objects

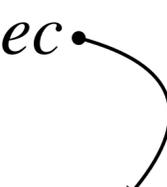
$$\omega \approx \sqrt{G\rho} < 10^4 \text{ Hz} \quad \rightarrow \quad \hbar\omega < 10^{-20} \text{ GeV}$$


 $\rho < 10^{15} \text{ gm/cm}^3$

Even with some unexpected physics

$$h_{GW} < \frac{GM}{c^2 D} \approx \frac{c}{\omega D} \approx \frac{1}{\omega T}$$

LIV $dt = \left(\frac{\hbar\omega}{E_{pl}}\right) T \quad \rightarrow \quad \omega T = \frac{dt E_{pl}}{\hbar} = \frac{dt}{t_{pl}}$ } $h_{GW} < \frac{t_{pl}}{dt}$

10^{-44} sec


What can we learn from GW on LIV?

- No direct LIV time of flight effects
- Need an EM or neutrinos high energy counterpart
- GW can set the time identifying a critical moment (e.g. coalescence time in a merger)
- However, like in GW 170817 and GRB 170817A we cannot use this information without a **robust physical model** or an **additional observation (?)** that could tell us what is the intrinsic time delay. 😞

A remark on the quantum nature of macroscopic GW sources



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A Gravitational wave generator

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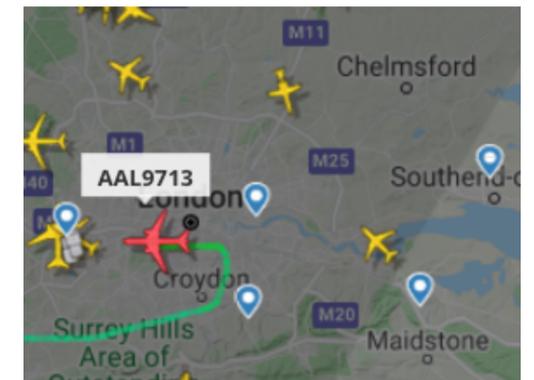


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Energy per cycle

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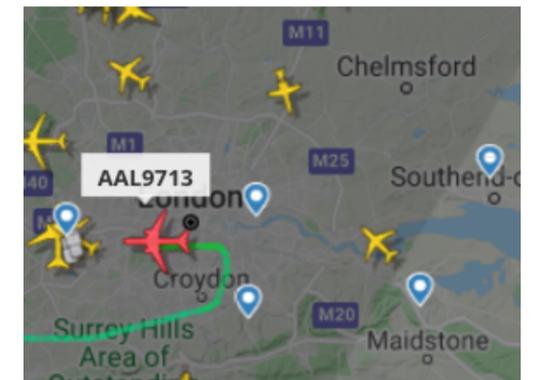


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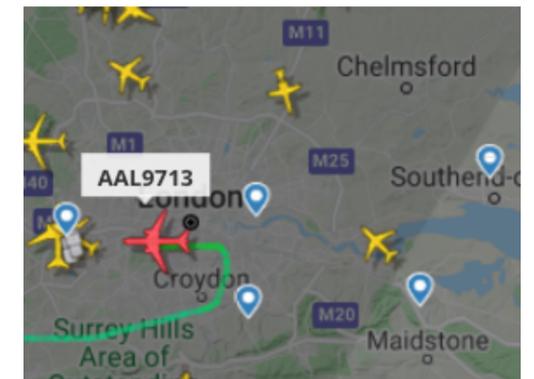
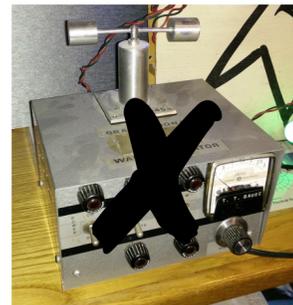


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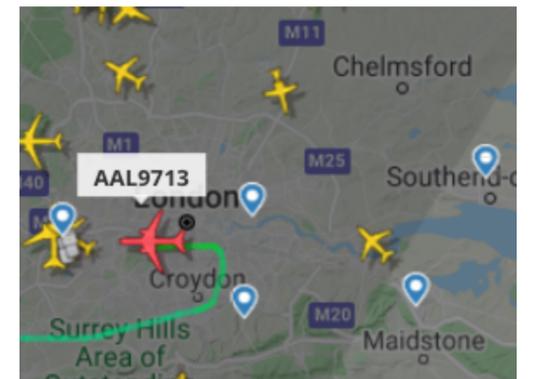
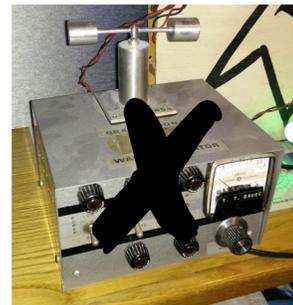
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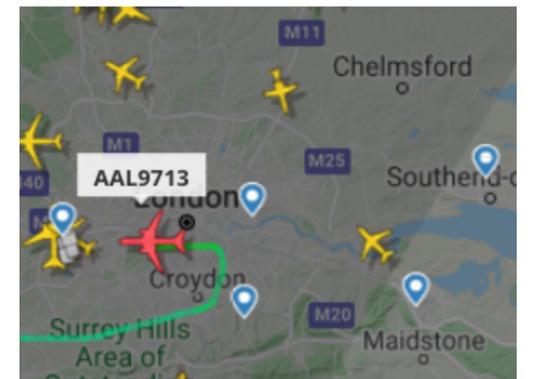
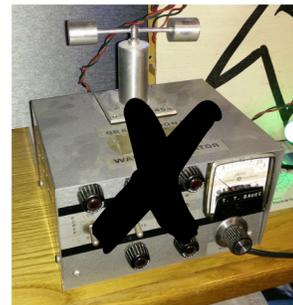


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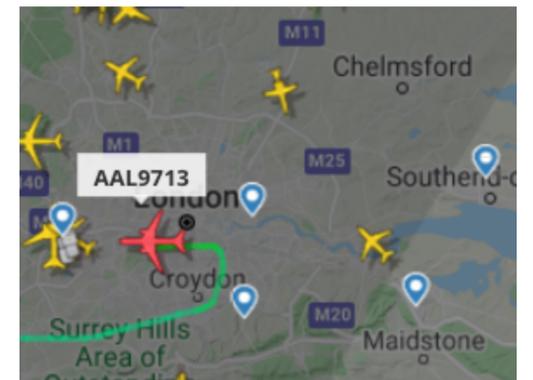
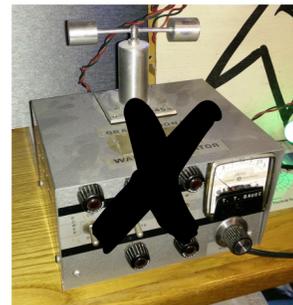


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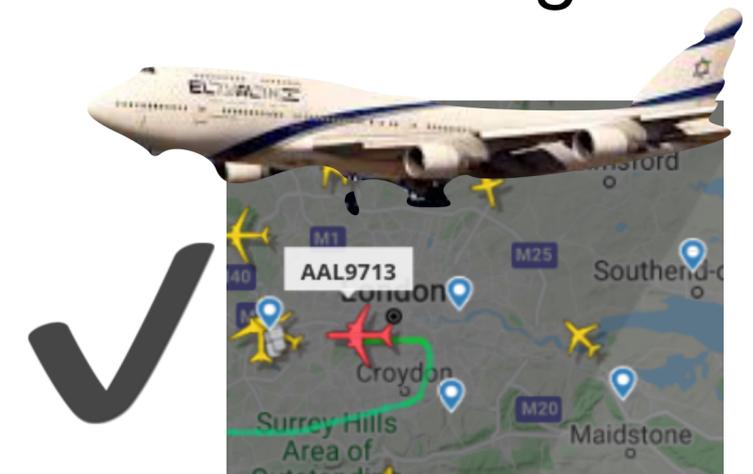
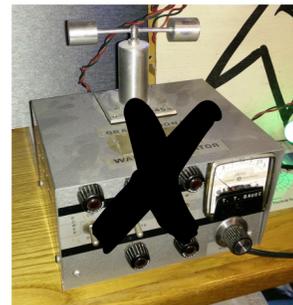


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Summary

- We cannot observe energetic ($> \text{TeV}$) photons from distant GBs $\Rightarrow dt_{\text{LIV}} < \text{a second}$ (for $n=1$)
- The observed TeV emission is afterglow, that is smooth but rise time can provide some limit.
- GRB 090510 190114c & 221009: the best limits on LIV - $\xi_1 \approx 1$, $\xi_1 \approx 10^{-8}$
- A comparable limit for stochastic LIV for GRB 090510 (but some concern?)
- Prompt emission is highly variable but doesn't have high energy photons $\xi_1 \lesssim 0.1$. Intrinsic time delay is a major obstacle. Can be resolved only using statistics on MANY sources and requires reasonable astrophysics.
- HE (PeV) GRB neutrinos can provide much stronger limits (scratching Planck for $n=2$)
- FRBs are new interesting candidates to explore time of flight LIV (but no high energy component so far)
- GW 170817+GRB 170817A amazing limits $\sim 10^{-15}$ on c_{GW} vs c_{photons}
- Impossible to observe LIV time of flight with GWs alone.
- GWs can serve as an onset baseline - but the intrinsic time delay issue remains.
- Because of quantum mechanics waving your hands don't lead to GWs. A jet airplane produces a single graviton per turn around an airport (Planck energy is a macroscopic large quantity).