VHE γ Emission from GRB

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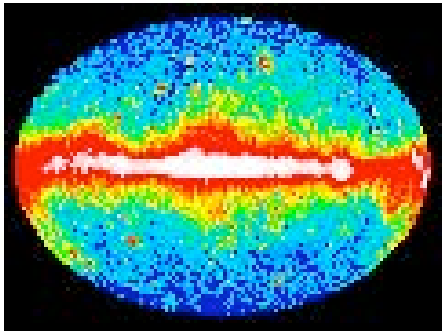
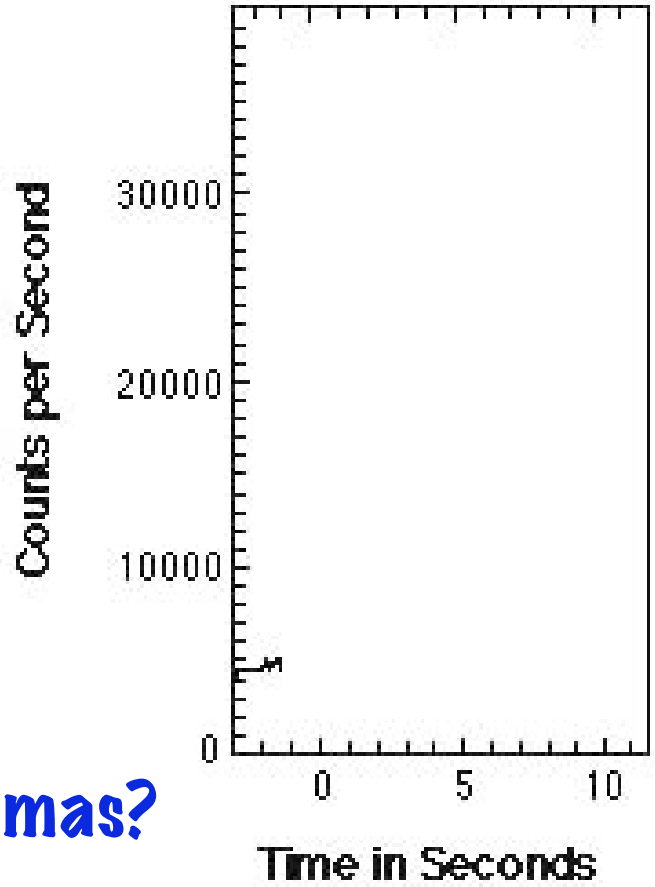
GRB @ MeV photon energies

For seconds, they dominate the γ-ray brightness of the ***entire*** Universe ... may also imply ***CR luminous***

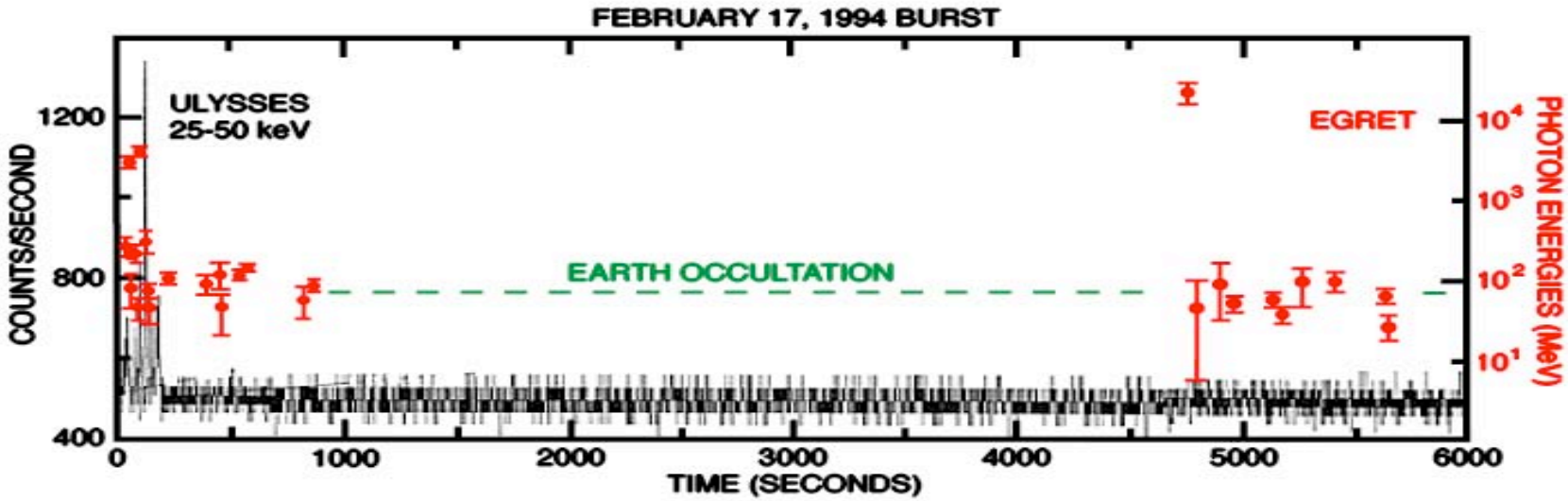


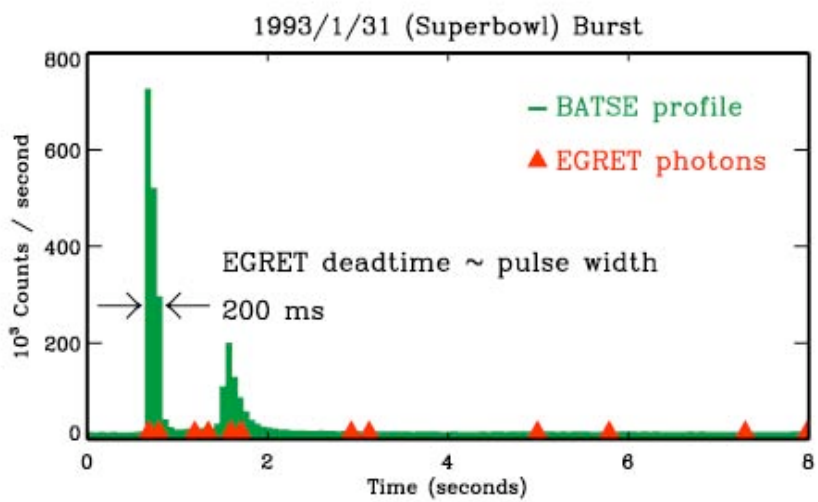


So, what about GeV-TeV gammas?

(T. DeYoung)

Two EGRET (~10 GeV) Bursts





- >10 GeV photons can last for > 1 hr,

  start w. MeV trigger
- Considerable energy

  at 100 MeV-10 GeV

GeV-TeV γ experiments underway

Cherenkov Telescopes

← **Water**

Air →

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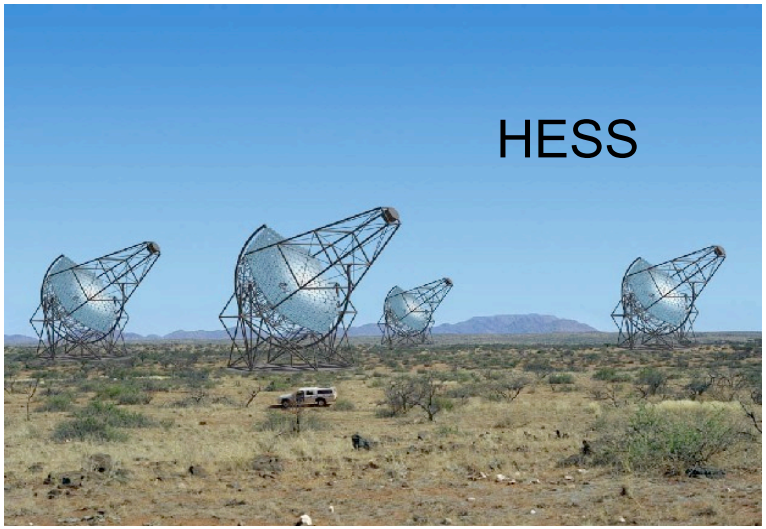

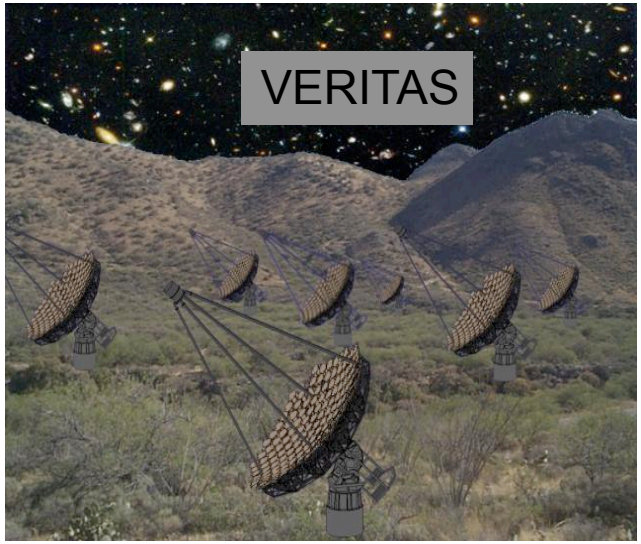

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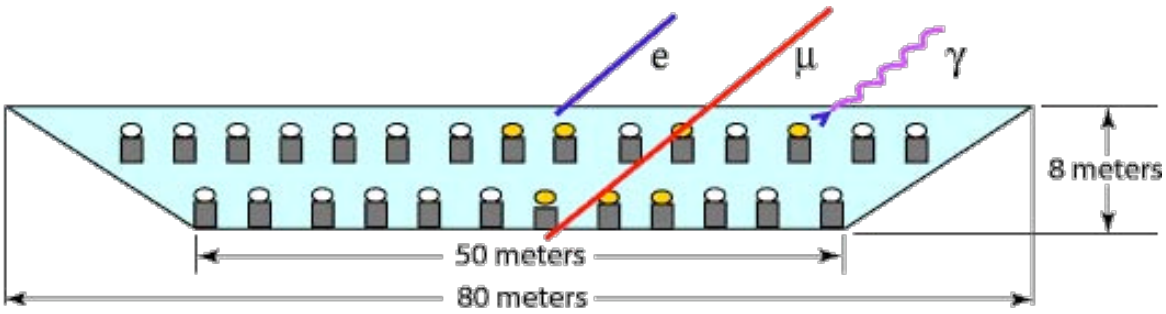

Water Cherenkov
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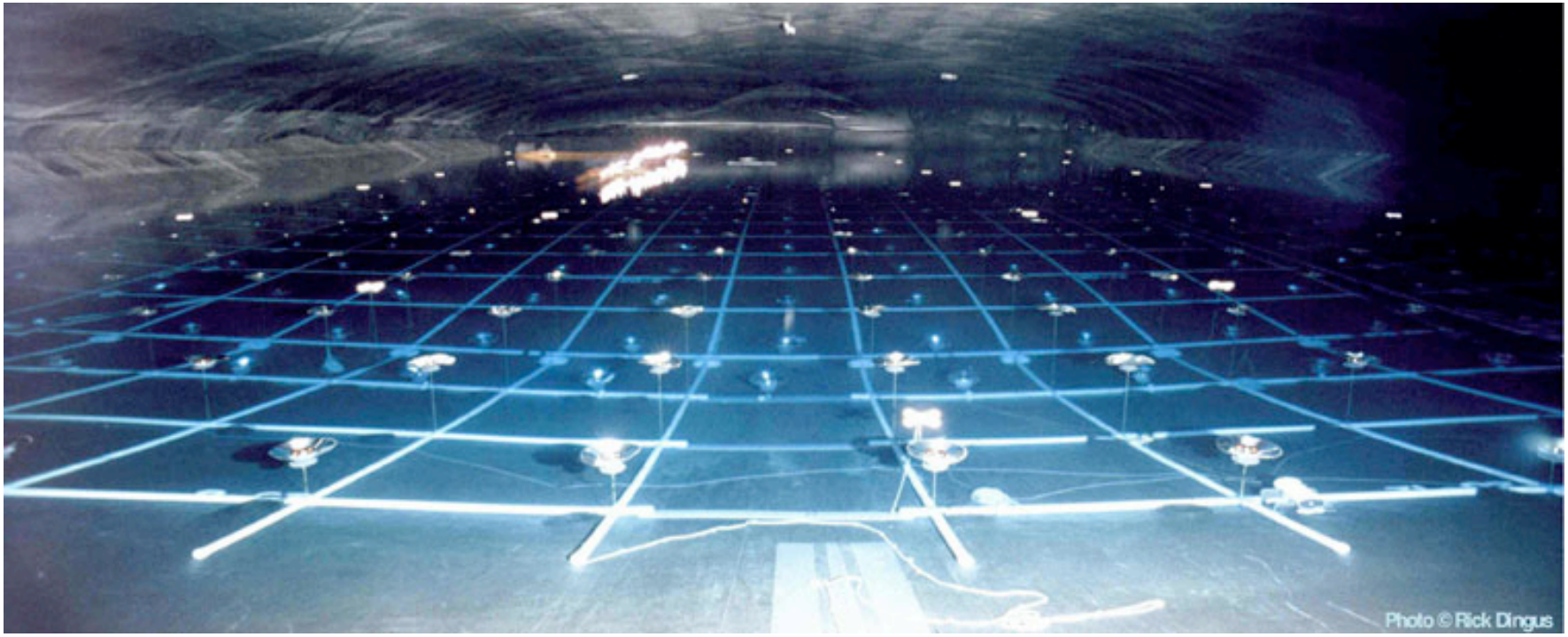
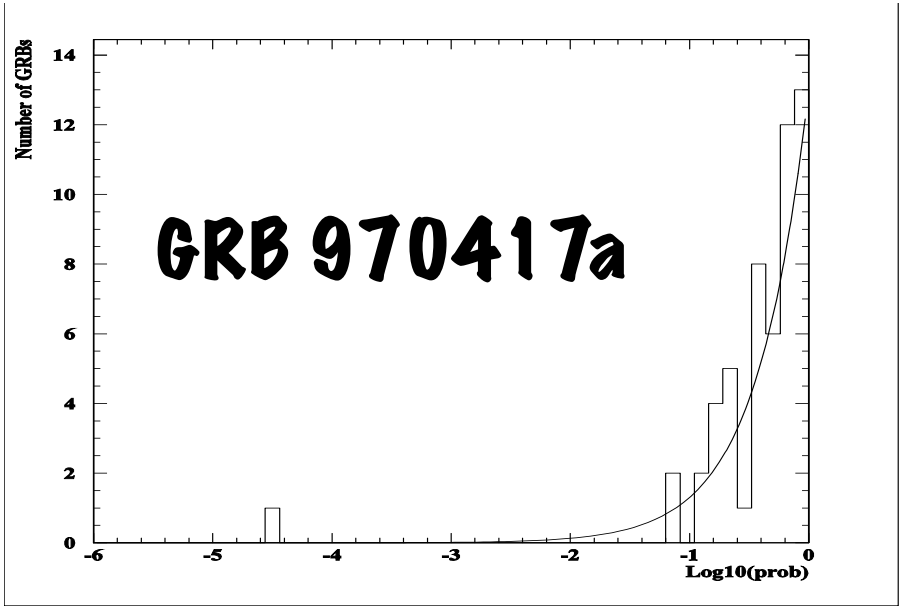
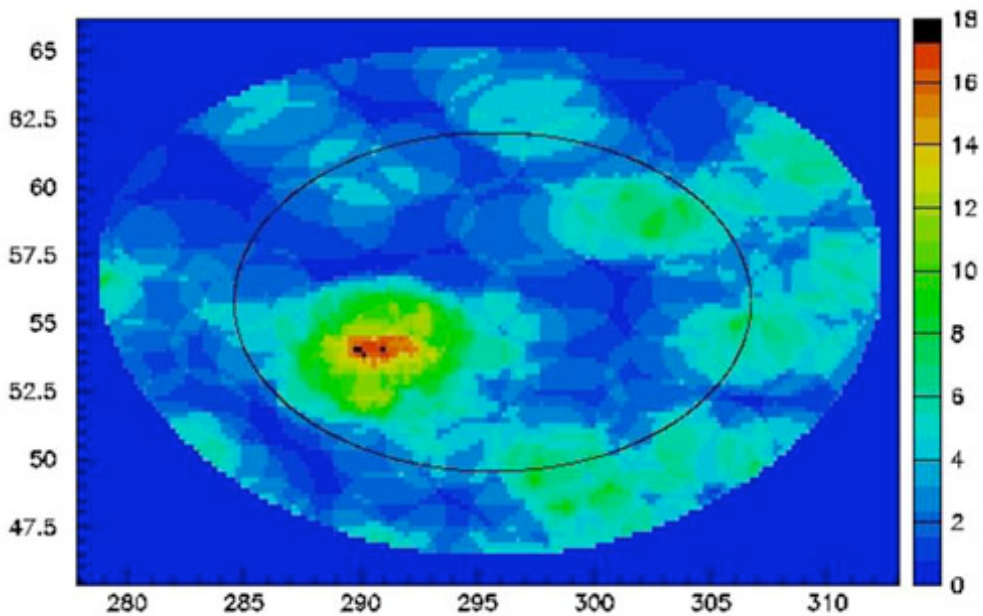




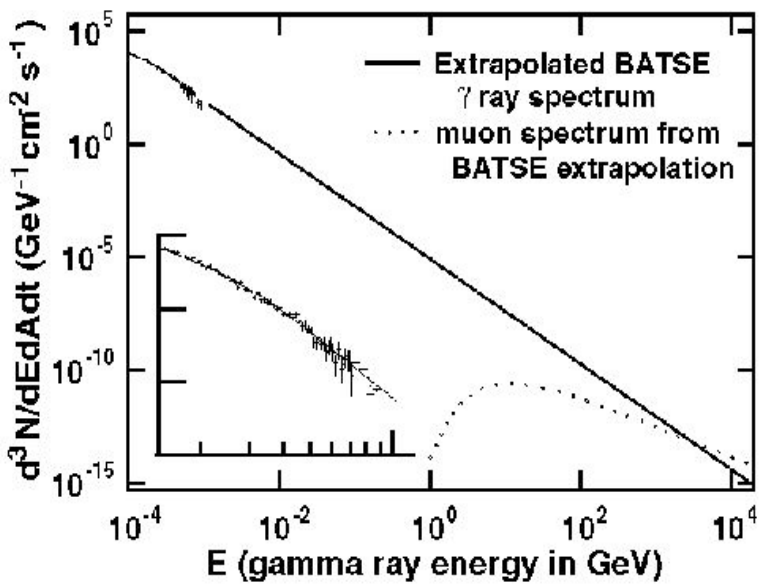


TeV GRB Detection Status

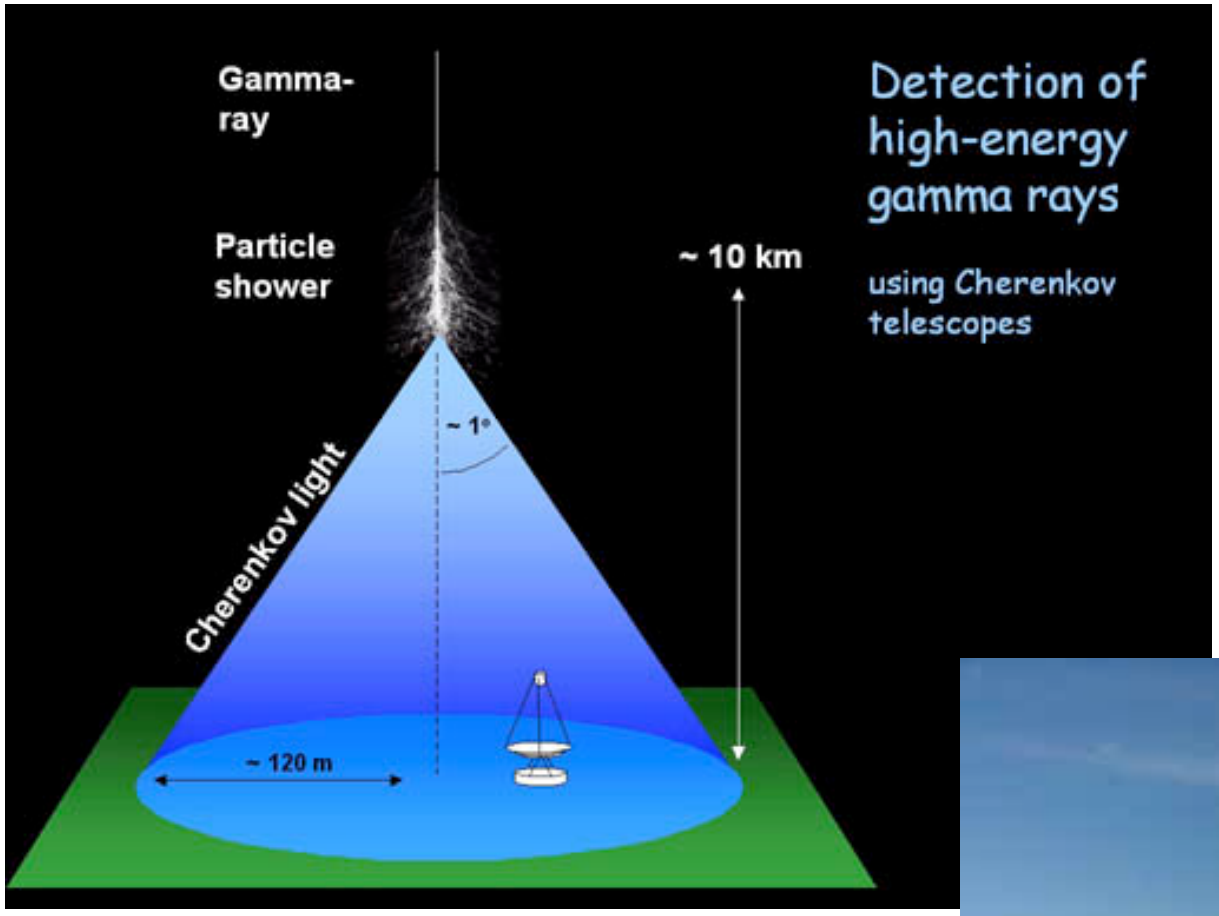
- **Milagrito** : Tentative (**3σ**) TeV detection ; $F_{TeV} \sim 10\ F_{MeV}$; but no redshift (no absorption: D < 100 Mpc?)

Atkins etal, 00, ApJL..

TeV GRB detection status (cont.)



- **GRAND**: GRB 971110
  - reported det. at **2.7 σ**
    (Poirier et al PRD 03, aph/0004379)
  - modeling requires various assumptions, some severe (Fragile etal 03):
- **Tibet** array: superpose 50-60 bursts in coincid. w. MeV: joint significance **7σ ?** (Amenomori et al 01)
- **ARGO-YBJ a**rray (Tibet), 6700 m^2 area, 4.3 km alt., $E_{thresh:}$~ 1 GeV ; resistive plate chambers (RPC); observed 16 GRB Dec 04-May 06 in coincid. w. Swift; ***no detection,*** fluence upper limit $F<10^{-4}$ erg cm^{-2} (1-100 GeV) (Di Sciascio, et al aph/0609317)



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Air Cherenkov Telescopes

- **MAGIC** :
- single 17m dish, slew time <35 s !, threshold E>50 GeV (..)

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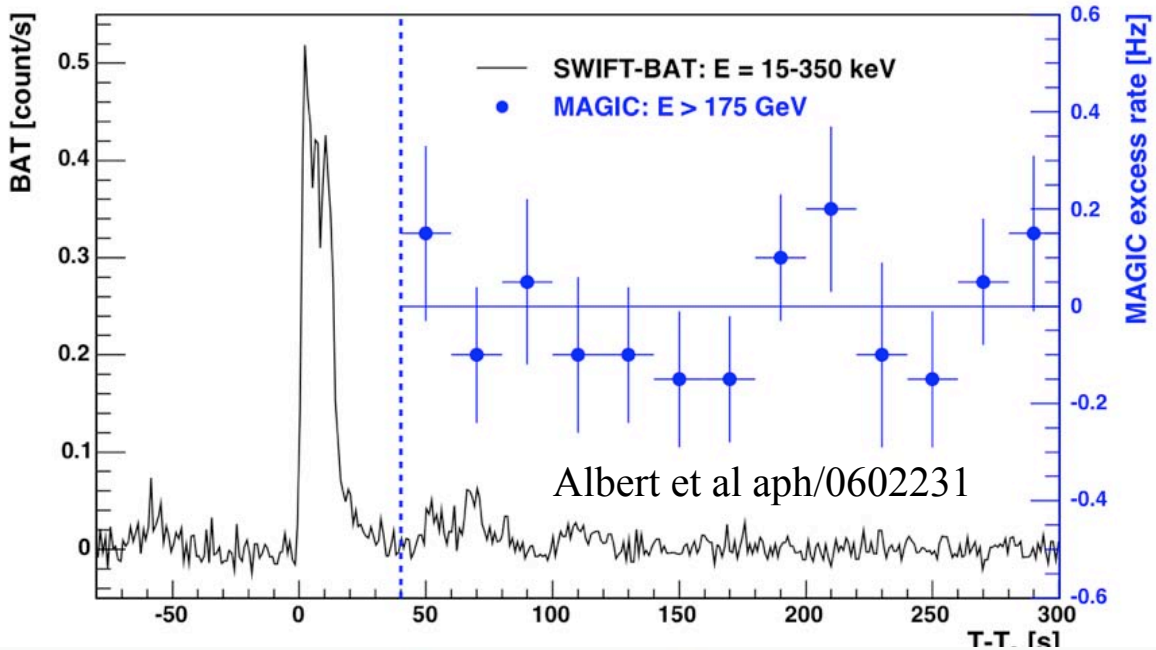
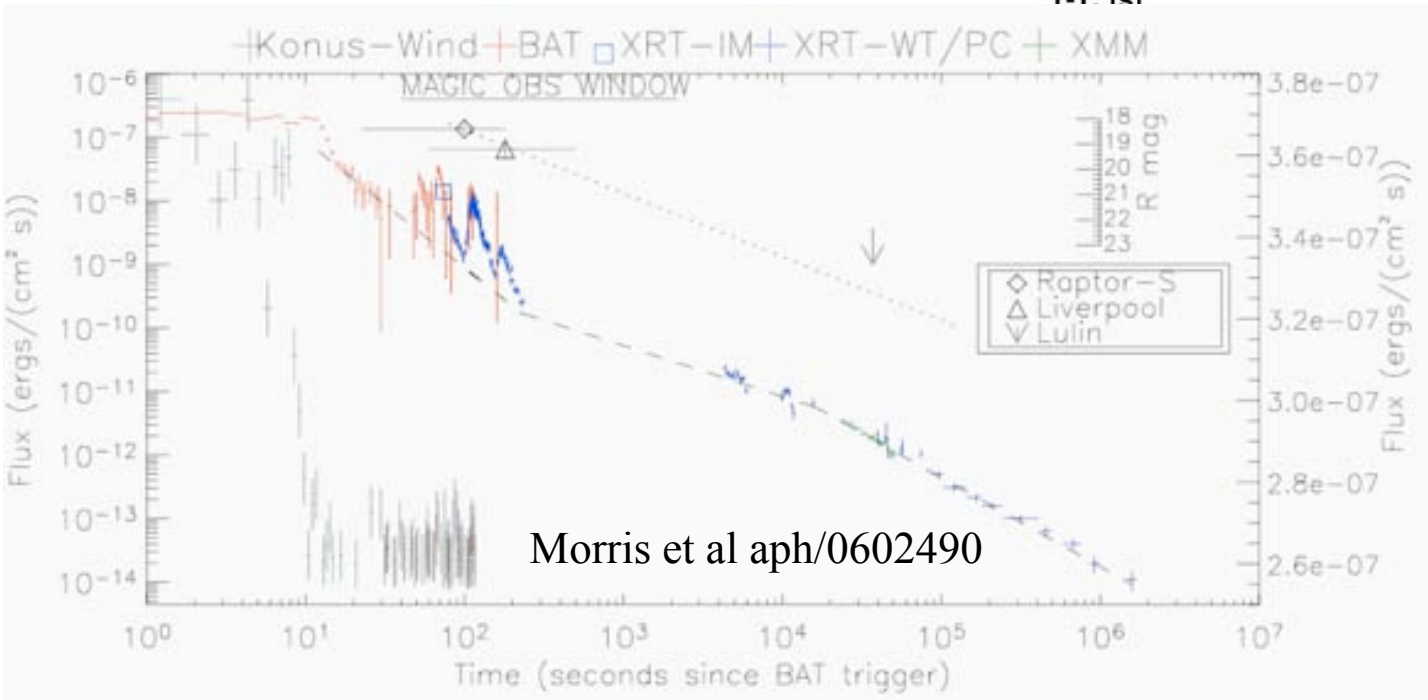
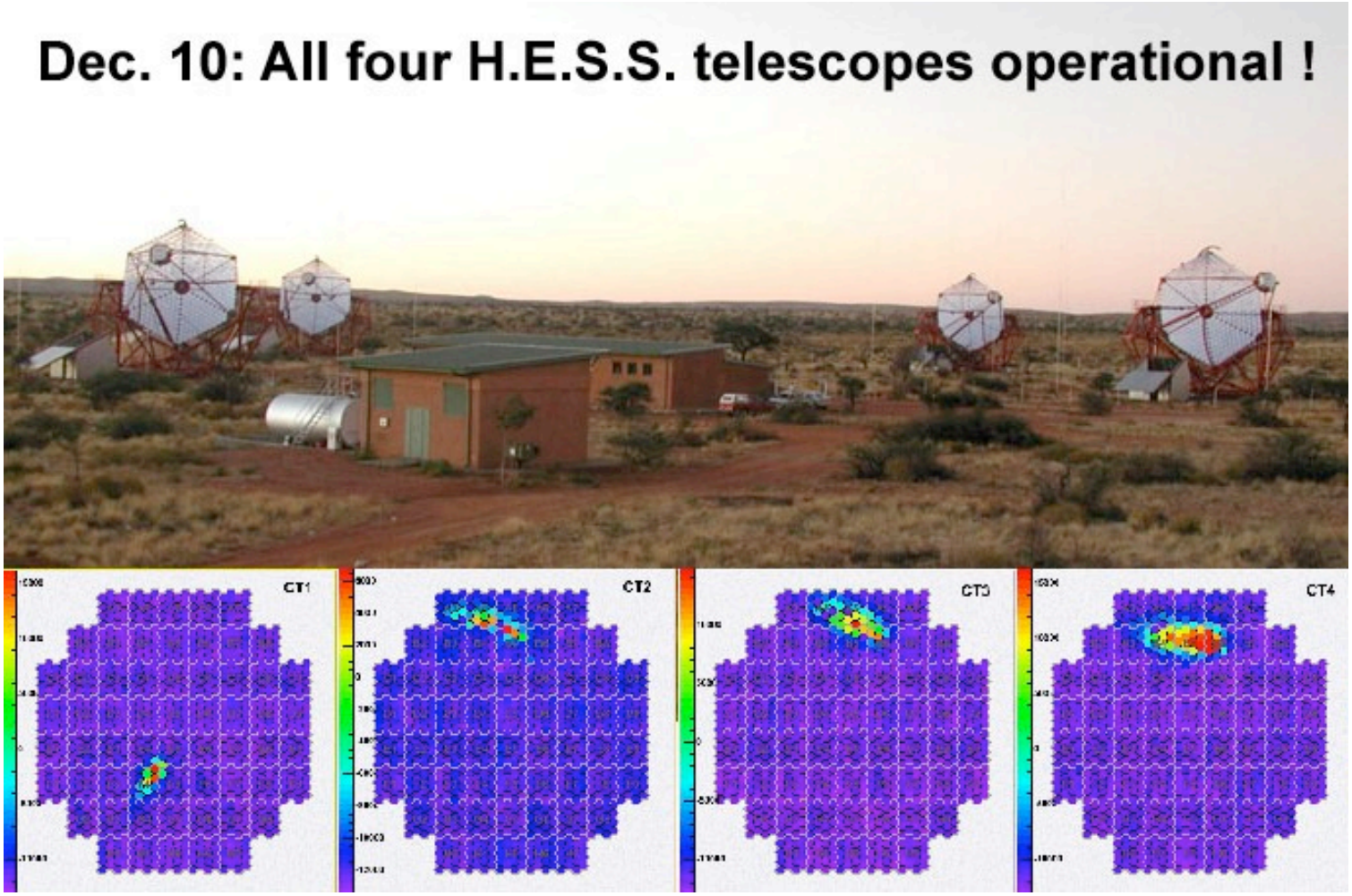


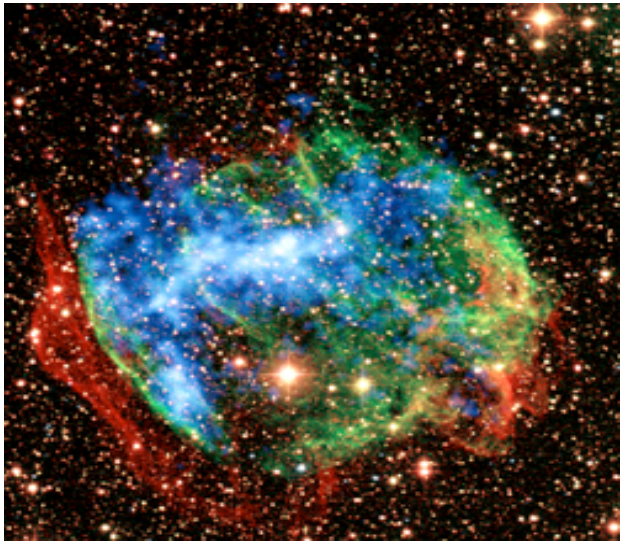


- Observed @ T_0+40s , while MeV still detected, and during flaring X-ray afterglow
- >175 GeV flux upper limits
- Redshift unkown

HESS : Stereo Imaging



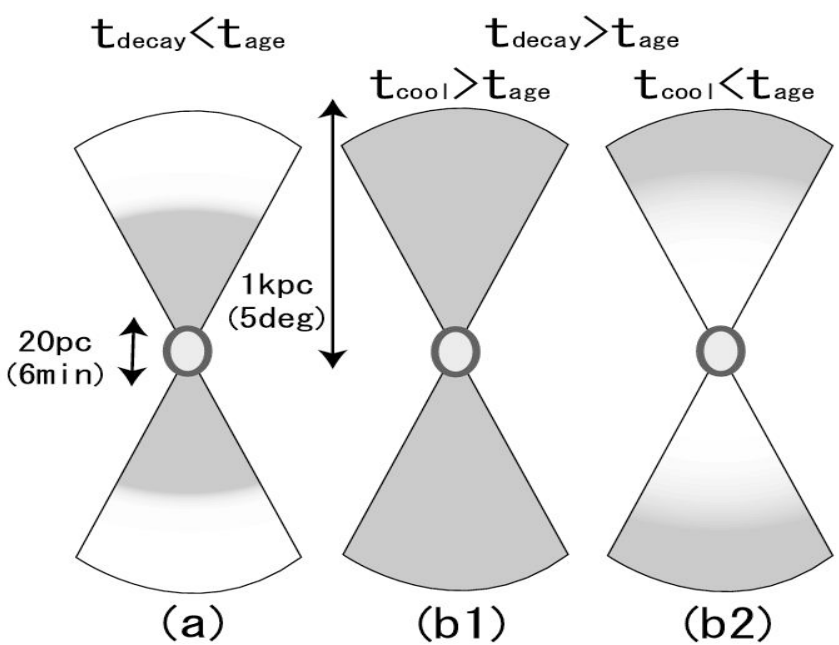
- Detected AGNs, PSRs, SNRs, un-IDs etc
- So far, ***no*** "fresh" GRB, but some possible **GRBR**



W49B:

a GRB remnant detected through its UHECR → γ luminosity?

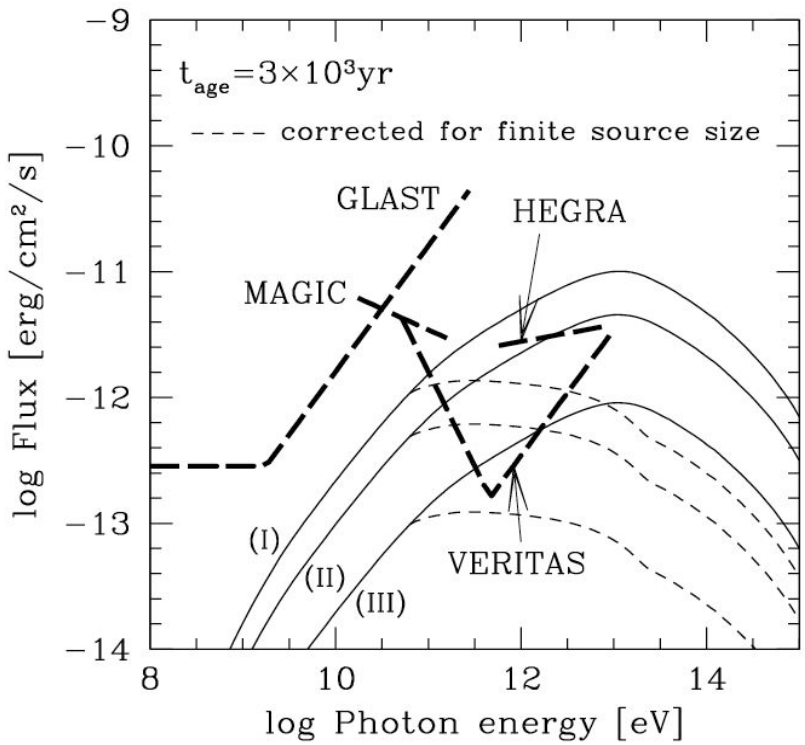
← CXC/Spitzer obs: two jets, rich in Fe (~ GRB remnant ?) (Clavin, Roy, Watzke '04)



- ~3000 yr old SNR: **any UHE signatures ?**
- ***If GRB = CR accelerator***
  → ***CR neutrons escape ejecta***
- β decay e^- → synchrotron + IC in B_{gal} , CMB → ***GeV-TeV γ***
- Geometry dep. on t_{dec}, t_{cool} , t_{age}
- ⇒ may be detectable at GeV

(Ioka, Kobayashi,Mészáros 04 ApJ 613, L17)

W49 as a smouldering GRB remnant at GeV



- $\varepsilon_{ic,cmb}$ ~ 50 TeV
- $\varepsilon F_\varepsilon$ ~ 10^{-11} erg/s/cm^2

  $\varepsilon F_\varepsilon / \Omega$ ~ 5 10^{-9} erg/s/cm^2/sr

  (dep. on **n/CR** to γ−ray norm)

  → *possibly detectable w.*

  VERITAS, MAGIC, HEGRA

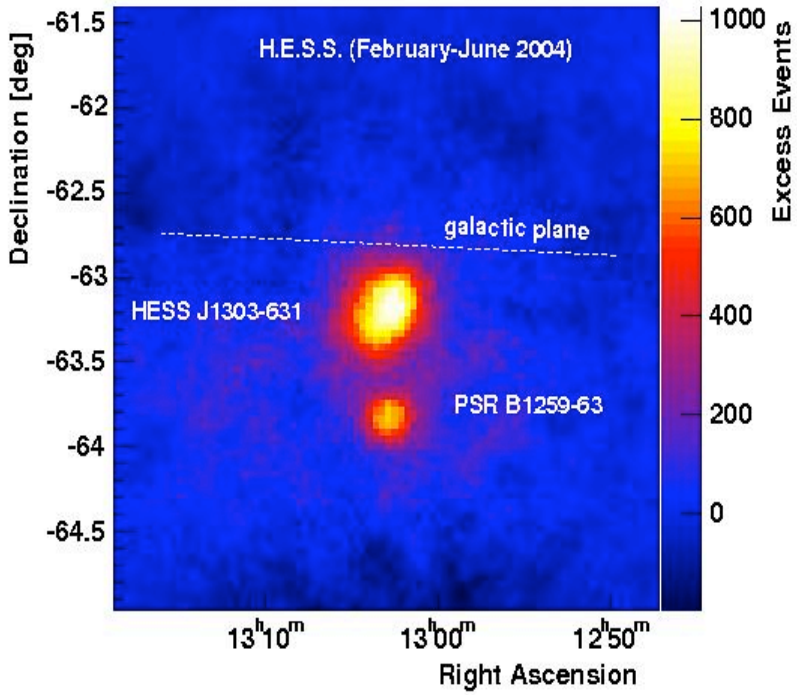
  (northern → not for HESS, CANGAROO

  too faint for GLAST;)

[Since neutrons escape SNR, imaging allows distinguishing n-decay outside SNR from π^0 decay due to proton acceleration in the SNR shock]

Ioka, Kobayashi, Mészáros 04, ApJL 613, L17

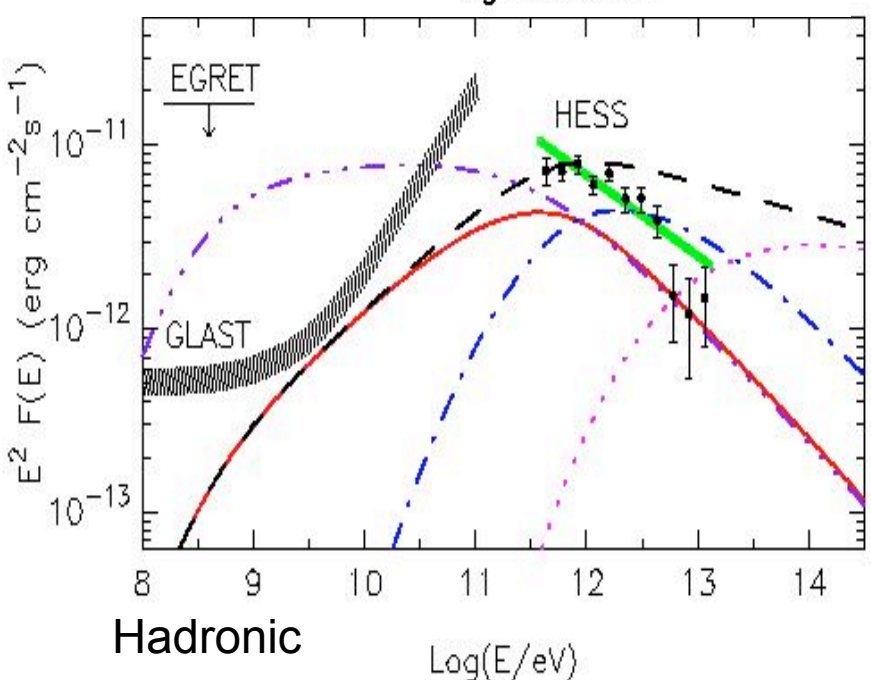
Un-ID TeV source: **HESS J1303-631** a GRB remnant?



Emission absent at energies < TeV .

⇒ GRBR, d=12 kpc, t=1.5x10^4 yr, n_H=1 cm^{-3} ?

Atoyan, Buckley, Krawczynski, ApJL-astro-ph/0509615



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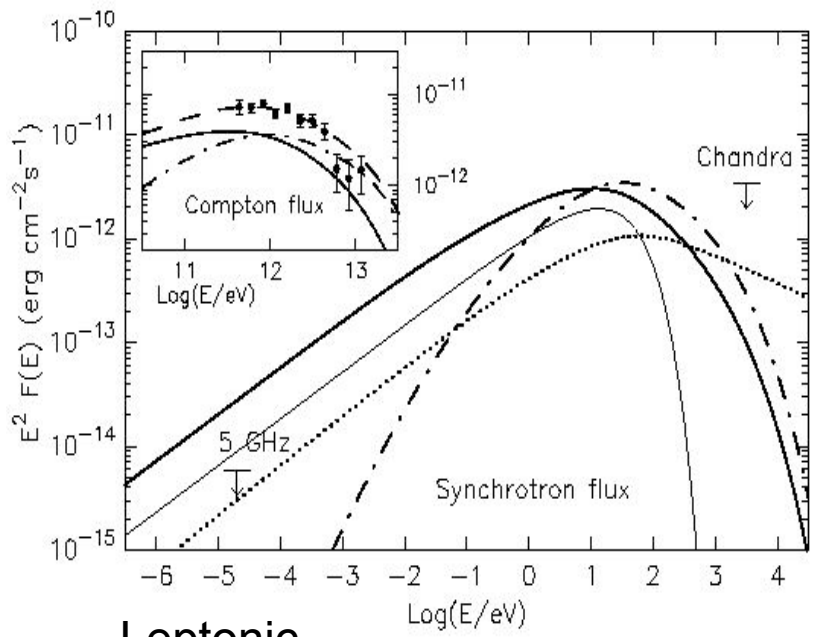
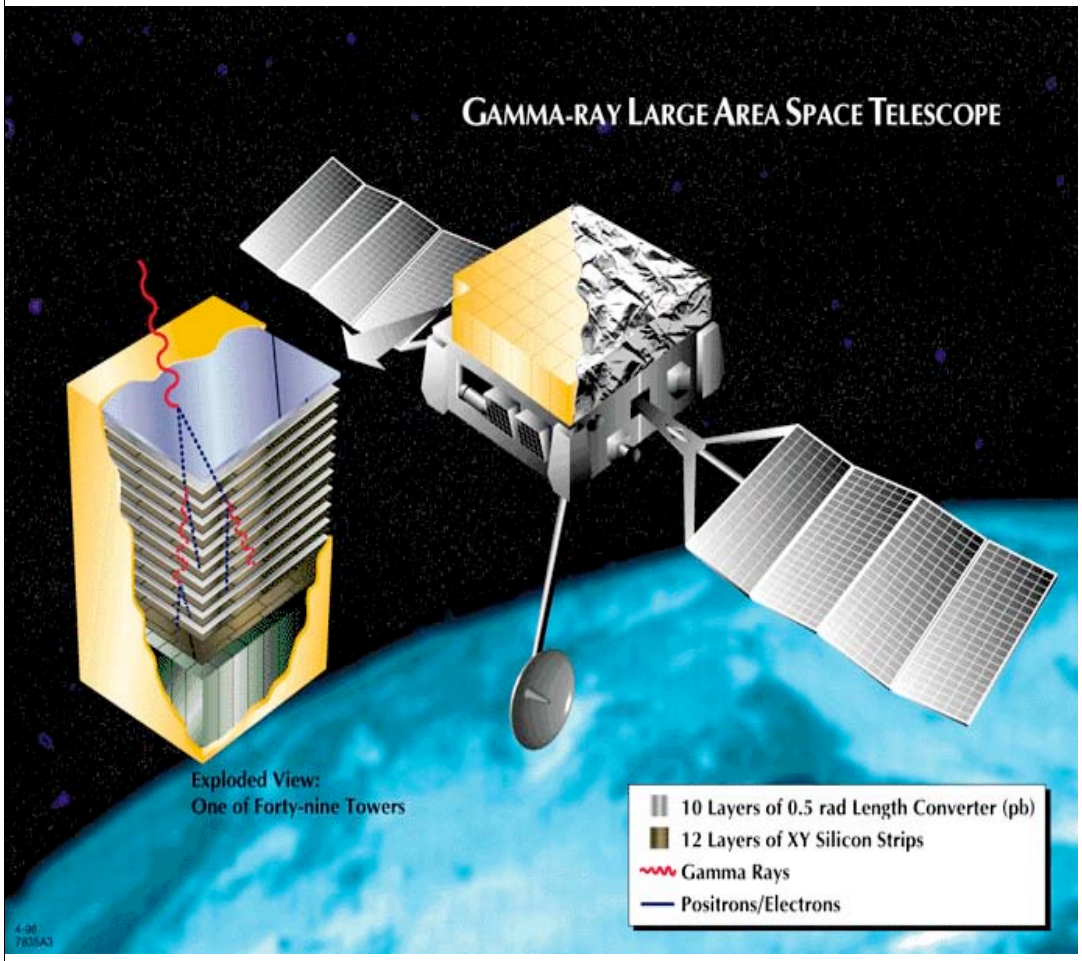


Leptonic

GLAST : LAT (Stanford +)



- LAT: launch exp '07, Delta II, 2-300 GRB/2yr
- Pair-conv.mod+calor.
- 20 MeV-300 GeV, $\Delta E/E \sim 10\%$@1 GeV
- fov=2.5 sr (2xEgret), $\theta \sim 30''$-5' (10 GeV)
- Sens $\sim 2.10^{-9}$ph/cm^2/s (2 yr; > 50xEgret)
- 2.5 ton, 518 W
- expect det/loc ~200 GRB/yr

Also on GLAST: GBM (~BATSE range) ; 12 NaI 10keV-3 MeV; 2 BGO 150 keV-30 MeV

AGILE

Launch early '07
(Indian Space
Res. Org. rocket)

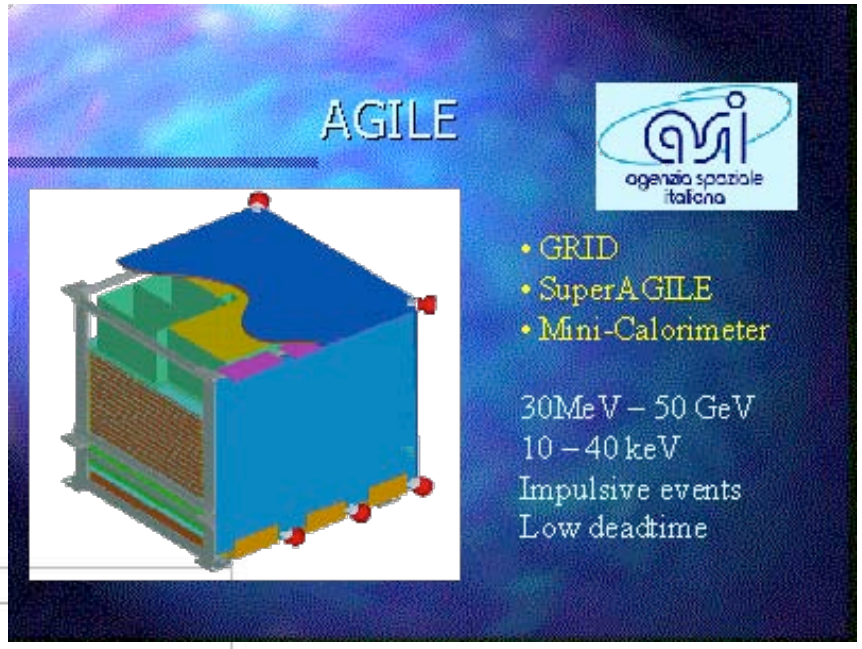


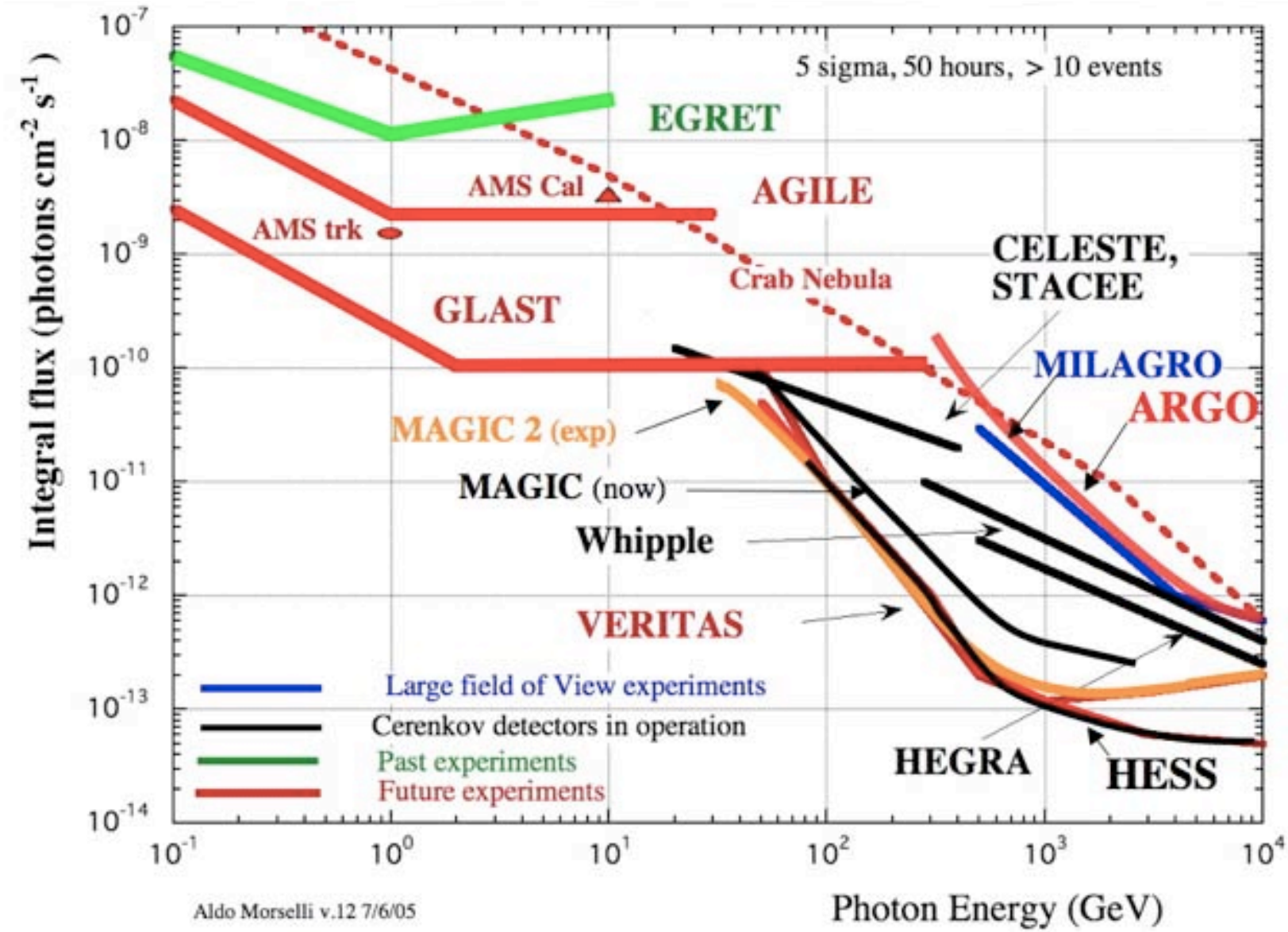
Table 3: **AGILE Scientific Performance**

Gamma-ray Imaging Detector (GRID)		
Energy Range	30 MeV – 50 GeV	
Field of view	~ 3 sr	
Sensitivity at 100 MeV (ph cm^{-2} s^{-1} MeV^{-1})	6×10^{-9}	(5σ in 10^6 s)
Sensitivity at 1 GeV (ph cm^{-2} s^{-1} MeV^{-1})	4×10^{-11}	(5σ in 10^6 s)
Angular Resolution at 1 GeV	36 arcmin	(68% cont. radius)
Source Location Accuracy	~5–20 arcmin	S/N~10
Energy Resolution	$\Delta E/E\sim1$	at 300 MeV
Absolute Time Resolution	~ 1 μs	
Deadtime	~ 200 μs	
Hard X–ray Imaging Detector (Super-AGILE)		
Energy Range	10 – 40 keV	
Field of view	$107^\circ\times68^\circ$	FW at Zero Sens.
Sensitivity (at 15 keV)	~5 mCrab	(5σ in 1 day)
Angular Resolution (pixel size)	~ 6 arcmin	
Source Location Accuracy	~2-3 arcmin	S/N~10
Energy Resolution	$\Delta E<4$ keV	
Absolute Time Resolution	~ 4 μs	
Deadtime (for each of the 16 readout units)	~ 4 μs	
Mini-Calorimeter		
Energy Range	0.3 – 200 MeV	
Energy Resolution	~ 1 MeV	above 1 MeV
Absolute Time Resolution	~ 3 μs	
Deadtime (for each of the 30 CsI bars)	~ 20 μs	

FoV : 1/5 sky
10-12 GRB/yr

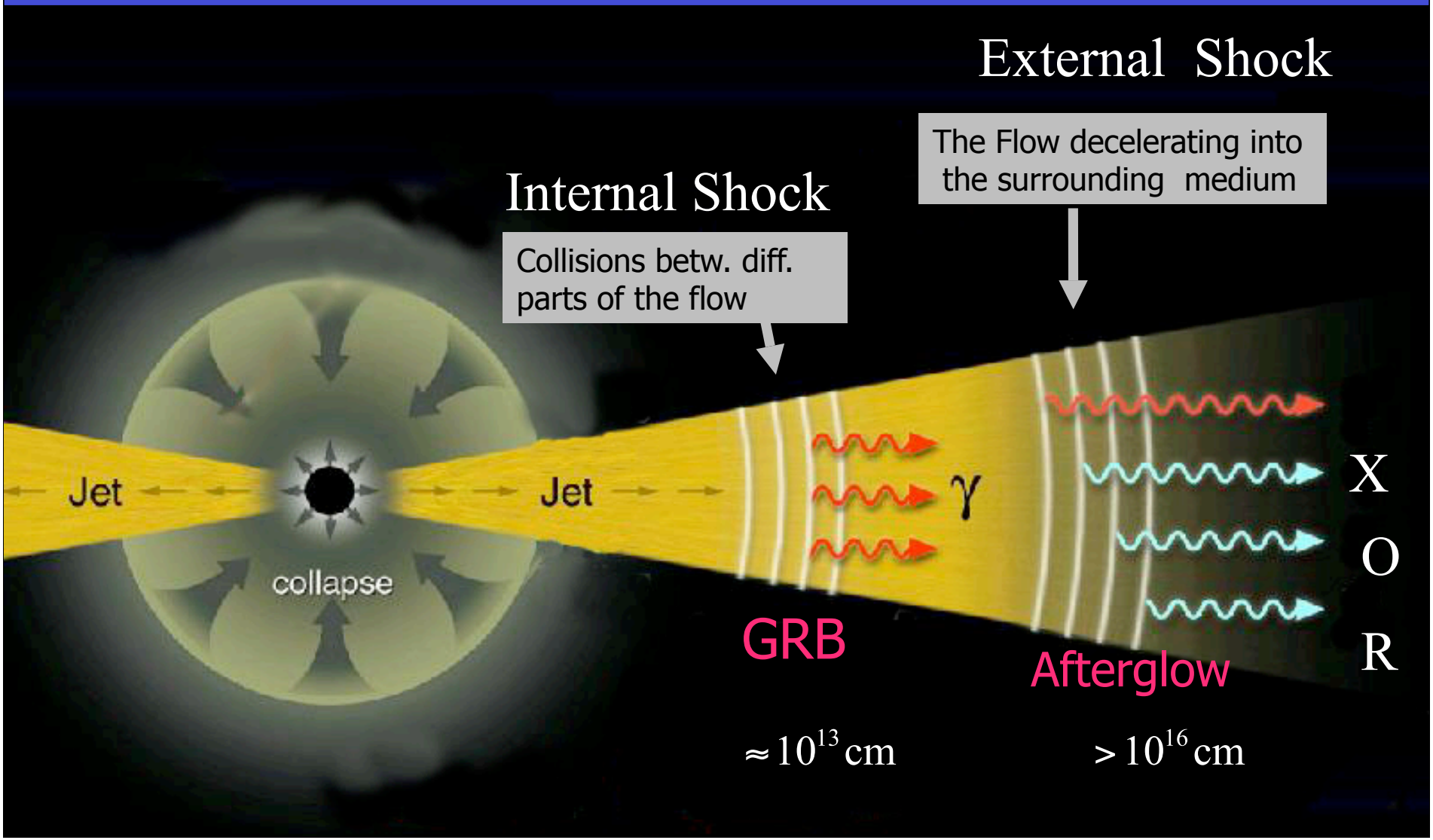
X-ray detector
Super-Agile:
localize to
$\Delta\theta$ ~ few arcmin

Gamma Ray Sensitivities



Fireball Model: long GRBs

E.g., recent review on ***GRB-Swift results & implications***:
Mészáros, 2006, Rev.Prog.Phys 69:2259 (astro-ph/0605208)



Simplest "delayed" GeV γ mechanism ?

A purely leptonic interpretation:

GeV γ emission seen, start ~ same time as MeV γ trigger, but lasting ~ 1 hr:

→ could be

a) **internal** shock synchrotron

→ normal duration **MeV** to ~GeV

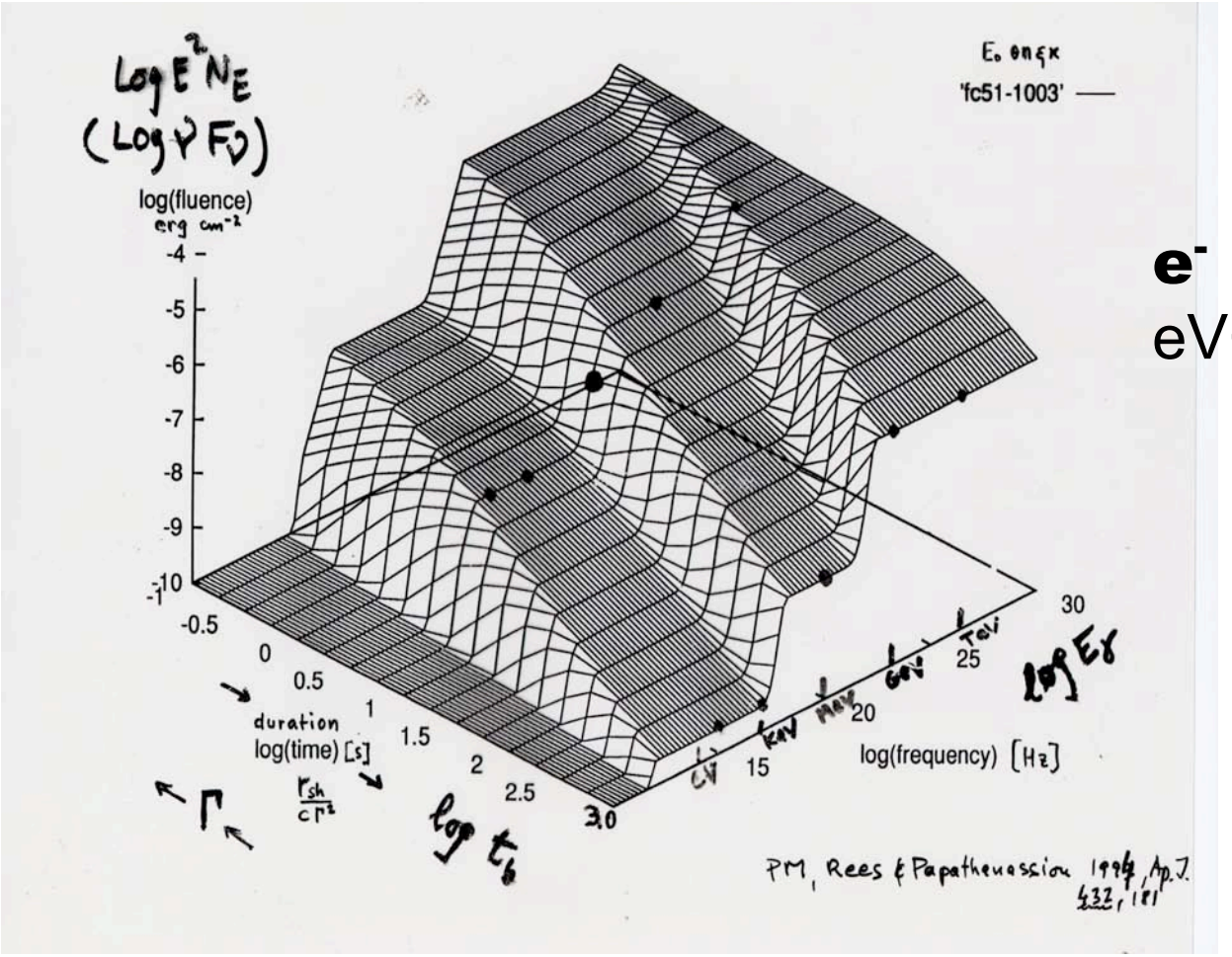
b) **external** shock (moder. Γ, low n_{ext})

IC → ~ **GeV** to TeV, lasts ~mins-hr

(Meszaros & Rees 1994 MNRAS 269, L41)

- Other possib (Katz 94) : proton impact on bin. comp.* pp → pγ

External Forw. & Rev. Shock Synchroton & IC spectrum

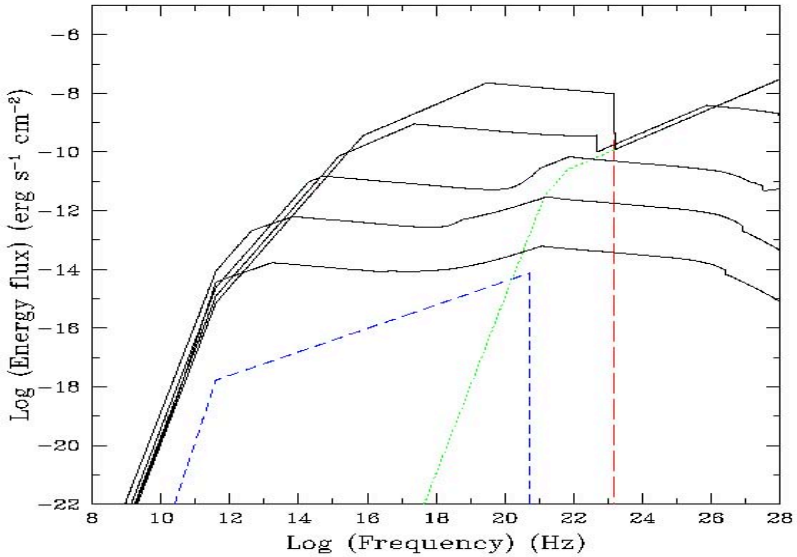


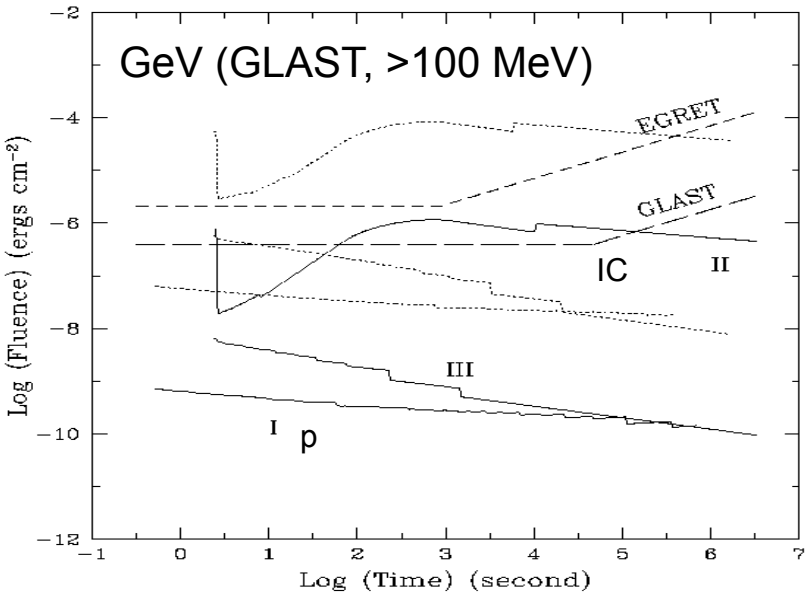
e^- energy losses:

eV< E <MeV : Synch

E >GeV : IC

GRB GeV emission: Leptonic - IC



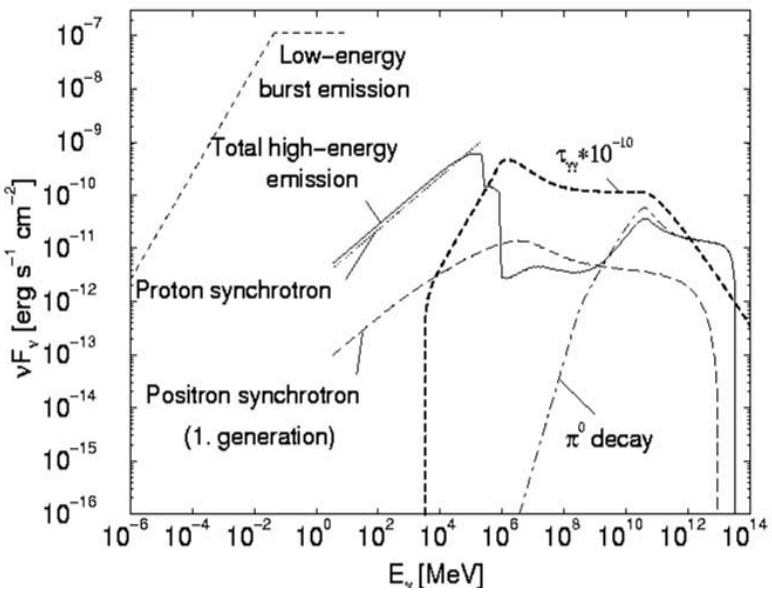


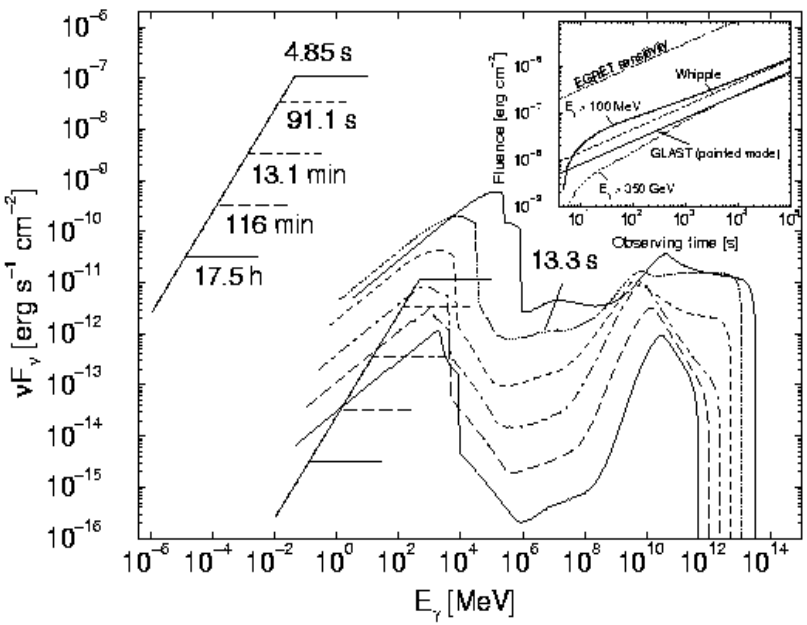
- Lightcurves start at $t_{dec,}$, until reach Γ~2.
- IC of sync. ext. shock
- Full lines: z=1, flat U
  Dotted: z=0.1
- Model **IC** : recognize from **late GeV** peak 10-20 min after MeV), and
  from **late XR** hump (day)

- Long-dash lc: e-sy radn component
  short-dash lc: p-sy(pg), radn
  dotted lc : e-IC radn

Zhang & Mészáros 01 ApJ 559, 110

But:





GRB GeV γ : *pγ EM cascade?*

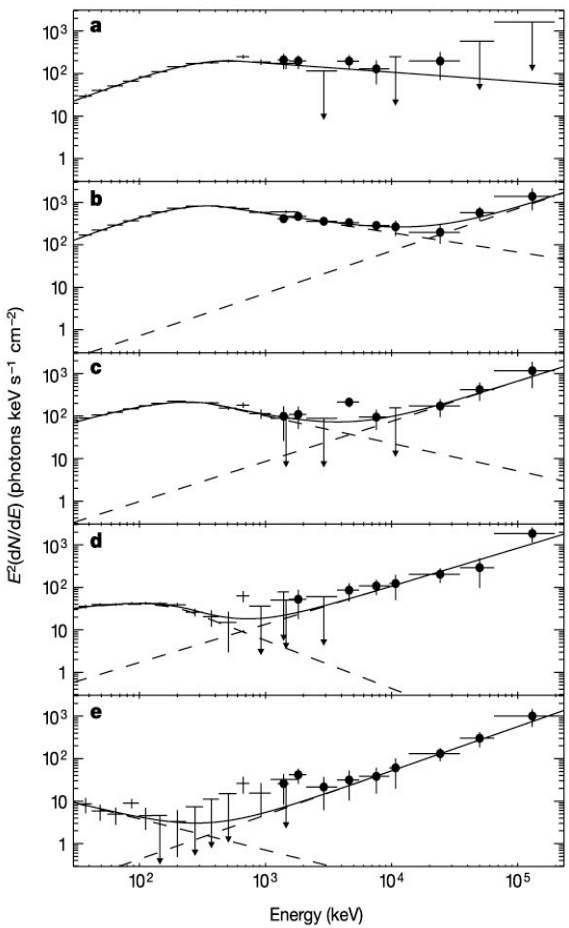
- Low energy: normalize to GRB 970508 (z=.83)
- Ext. forw. shock → MeV γs
- Proton index -2, $U_p \sim U_e$,

  p -sy & pγ cascades,

  e^+ sync, π^0 dec.
- Time decay of cascade rad, slower than a'glow decay (p's have less rad. losses) → GLAST

Boettcher & Dermer 98 ApJ 499, L131 ;
Dermer, Atoyan 03, PRL 91, 1102;
Dermer, Atoyan 04, AA418, L5

GRB 941017 : pγ signature?



t<14 s

t <47 s

t < 80 s

t < 113 s

t < 211 s

Gonzalez, Dingus et al, 03, Nature 424, 749

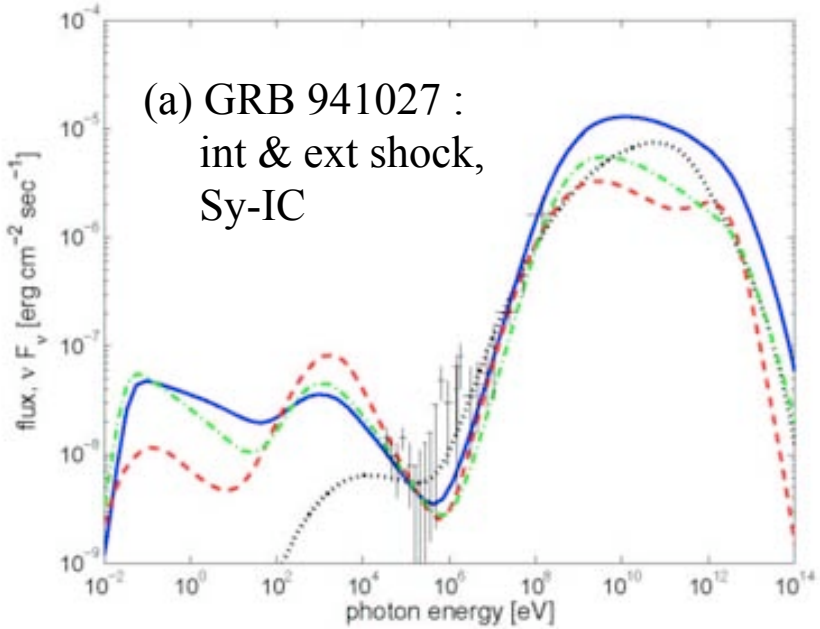
- Hard **(10-200 MeV)** comp. in EGRET TASC calorimeter **not** compatible w. BATSE MeV fit

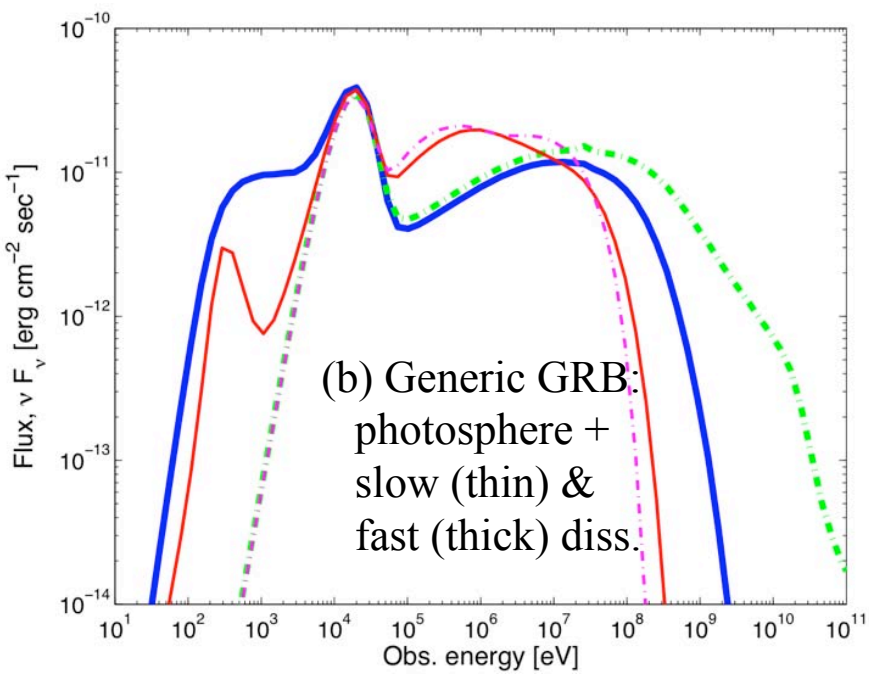
  (but in 26 other bursts a single BATSE/TASC fit works well)
- Hard comp. more prominent in time → **pγ signature?**

  might explain delay, hardness

  (also Dermer, Atoyan 04 AIPC 727, 557)
- **Alternative: could be IC**, in regime where IC sp is harder than sync PL ; e.g. scatt. of lower energy synch. asymptote; or observe IC region where electrons with a range of energies scatter off a range of photon energies (Granot,Guetta, astroph/0309231; Pe'er, Waxman, 04)

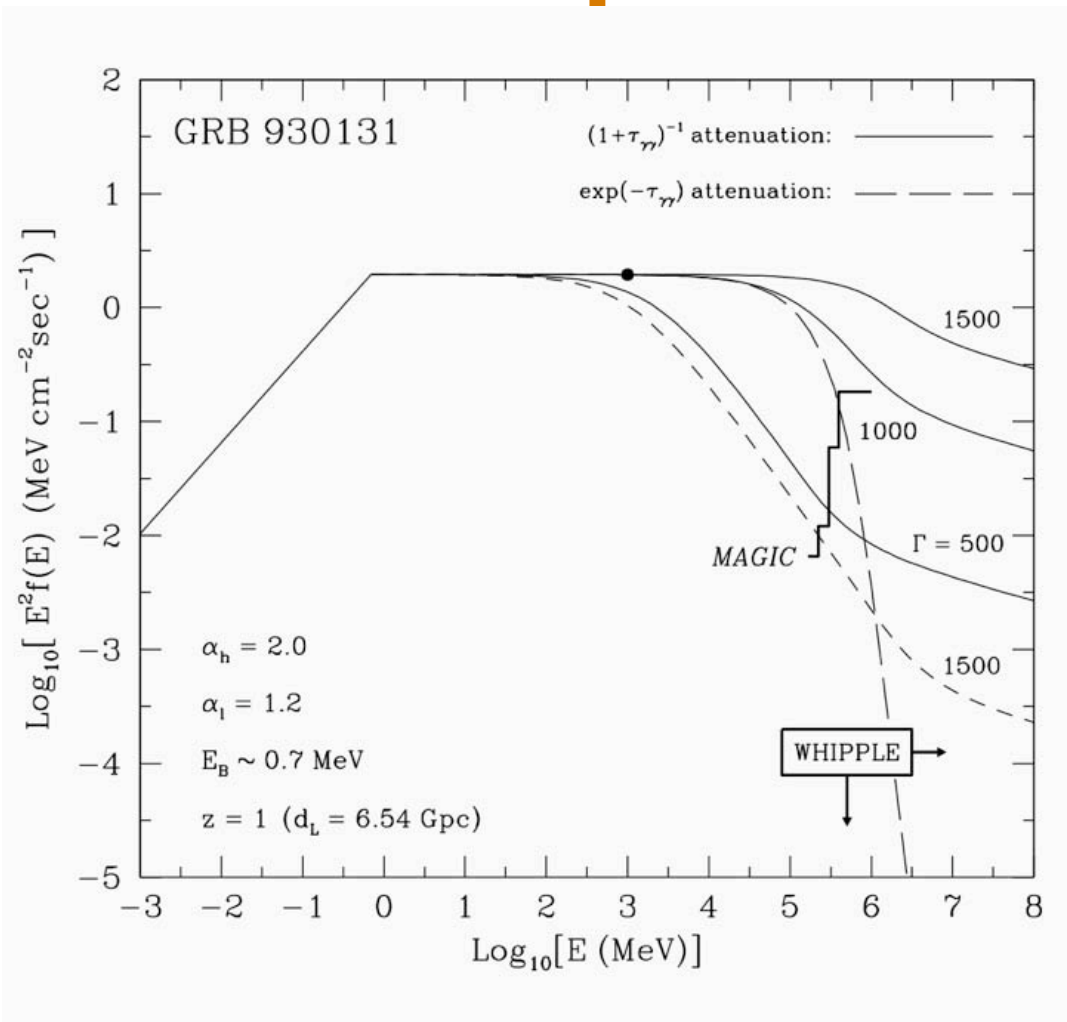
Leptonic GeV GRB emission





- ← (a) Sy-IC, pair formation in internal & external shock: 941027 need not be hadronic (Pe'er & Waxman 04)
- ← (b) Sy-IC, pair formation in slow dissipation or fast (shock) dissipation in or near jet photosphere (Pe'er, Mészáros, Rees 05) - preferred peak energy near MeV, and VHE photons from IC for modest scatt opt depth

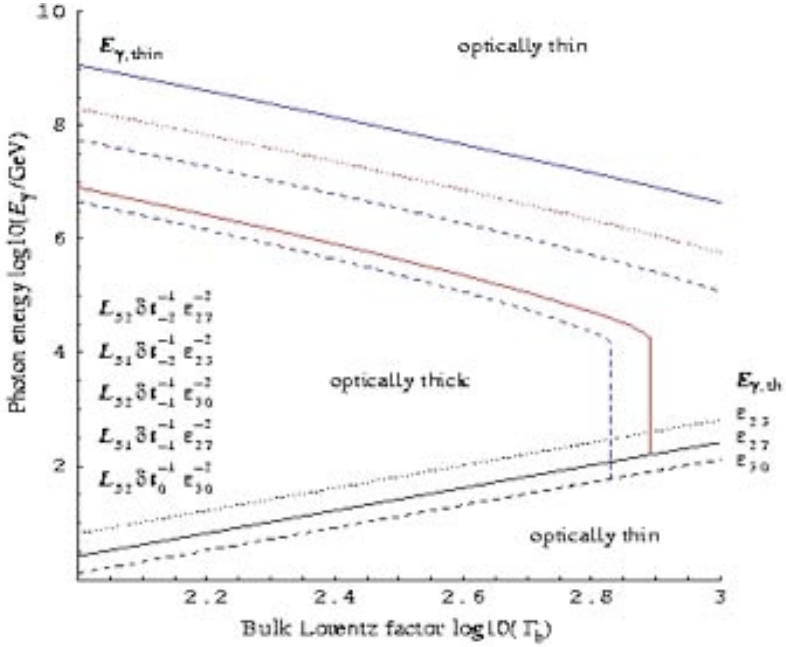
Physical clues from GeV-TeV photons in GRB



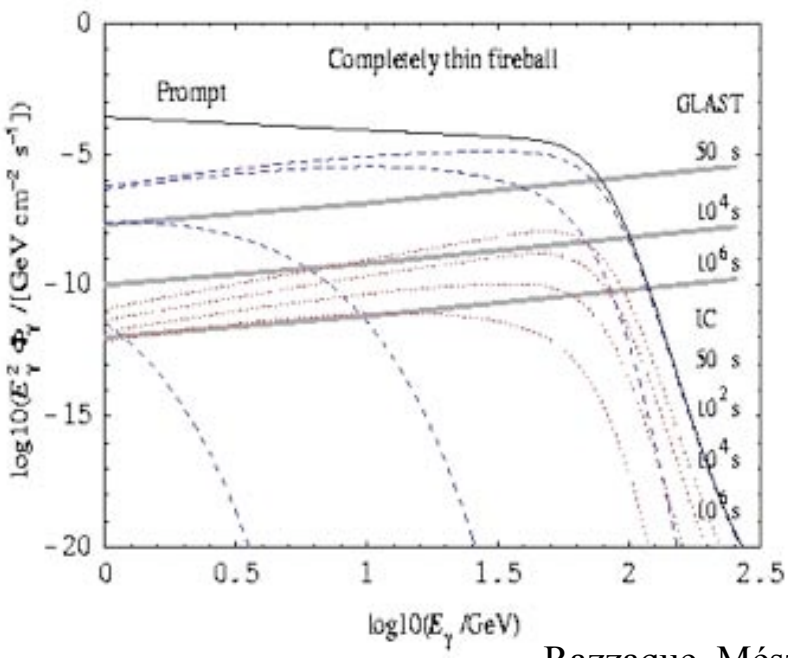
Baring 06, ApJ, aph/0606425

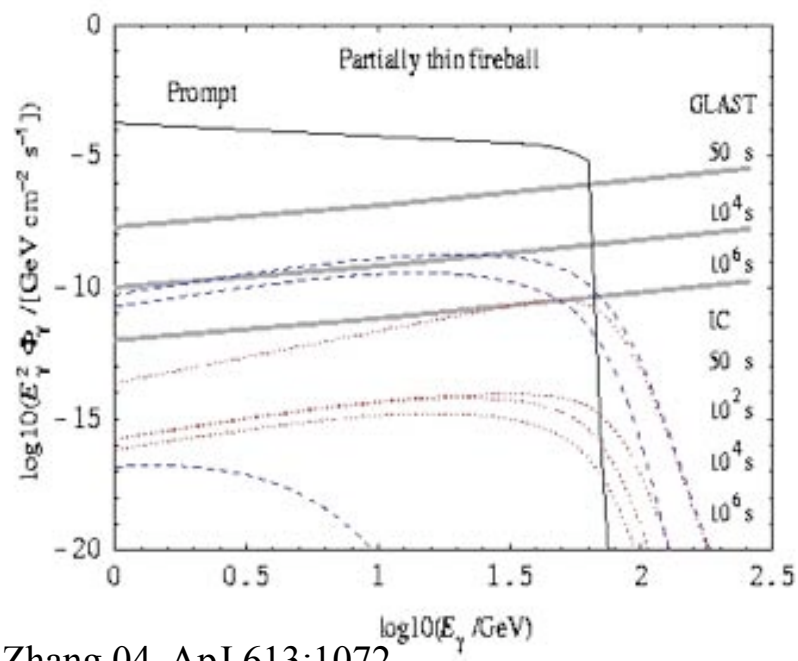
- Internal shocks: $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow e^{\pm}$, $\tau_{\gamma\gamma}$ ~1 @ $E_\gamma \sim \Gamma^2_{300}$ GeV
  $\rightarrow$ pair cutoff in spectr
  $\rightarrow$ get info about r_{sh} (compactness,$t_{\gamma\gamma}$)
- In ext.shock, $\tau_{\gamma\gamma} < 1$ on GRB target γ ;
- test if shock is int. or ext;
  test bulk Lorentz factor, shock accel efficiency, magnetic field in shock (max. $e^{\pm}$ energy? $\rightarrow$size of accel region)

How high in energy, and how late?



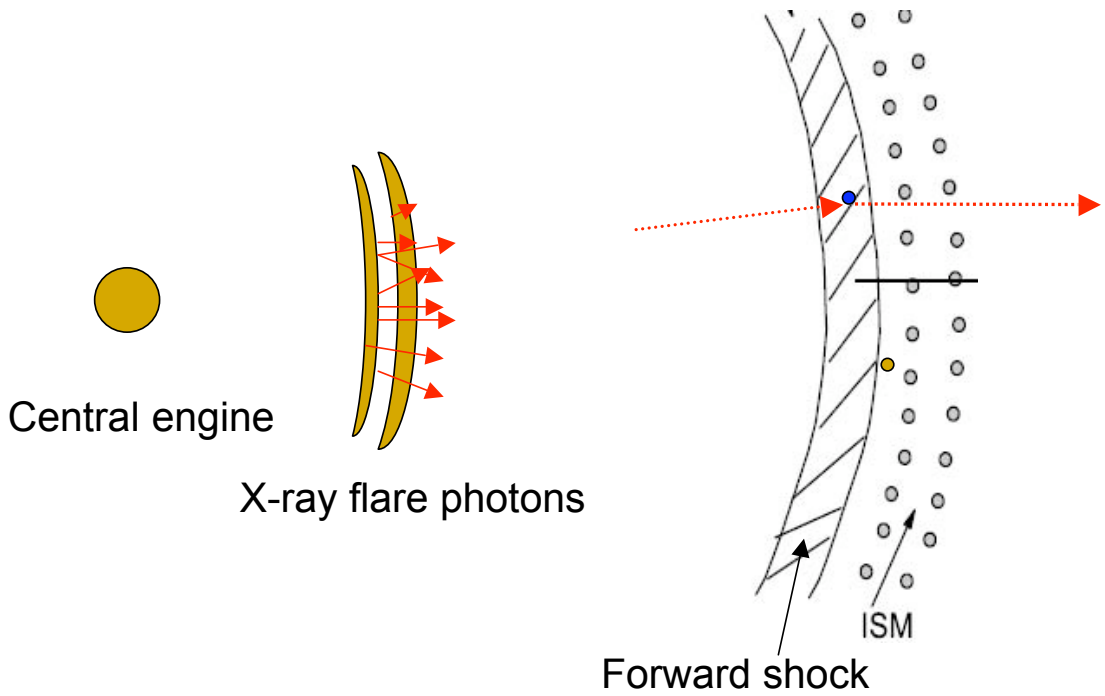
- Very high Γ →low compactness, high e± cut-off
- Higher cut-off for (late) afterglow than for prompt
- External IGM reprocessing: late, depends on BI_{GM}





Razzaque, Mészáros, Zhang 04, ApJ 613:1072

XR Flares ⇒ GeV Flares?



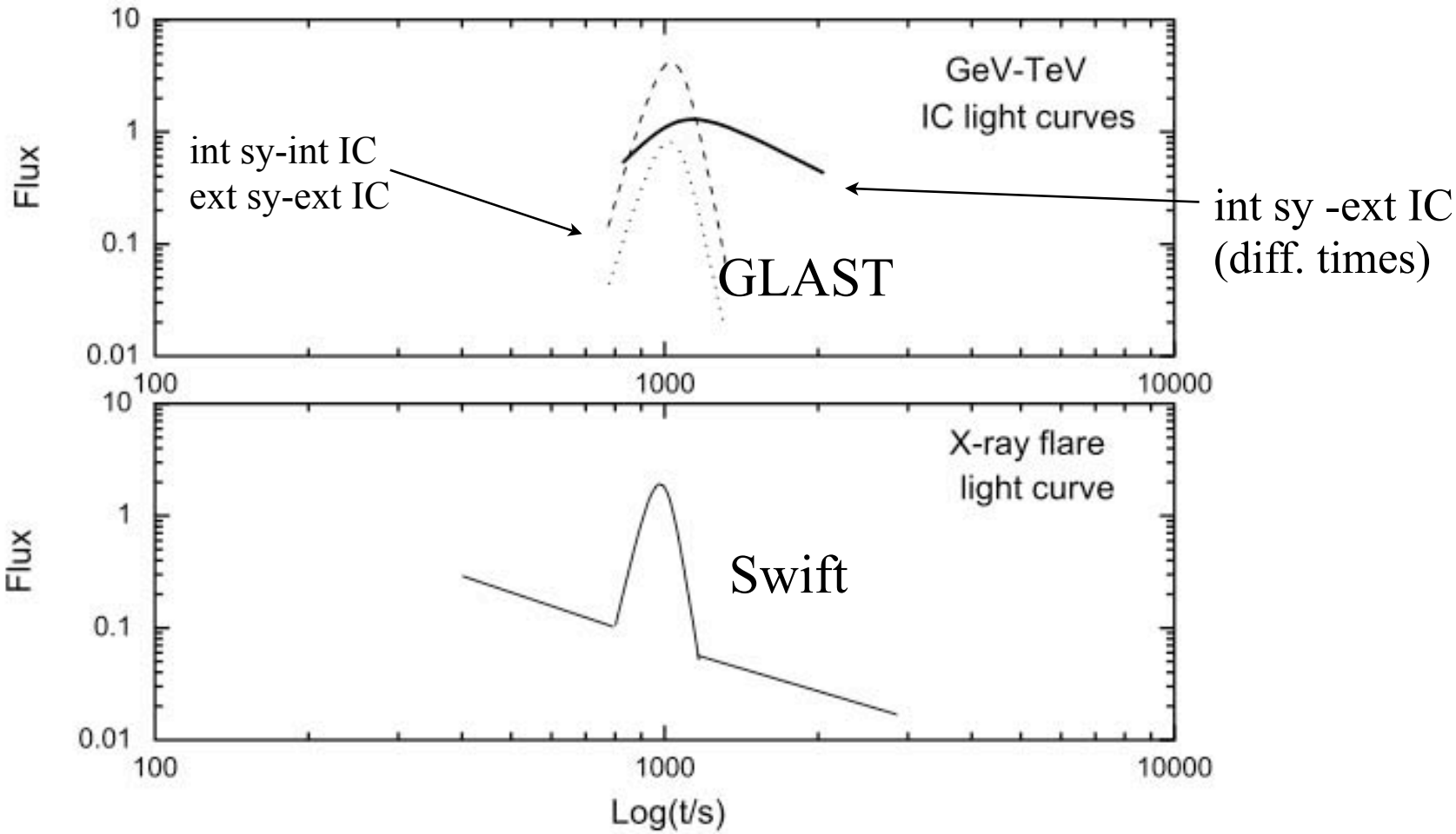
XR flares ubiquitous in Swift XR ; thought to be late internal shocks (or mag diss)

If so,
→ XR emission is inside the external shock

→ IC upscatter XR photons by ext shock e^-
→ GeV flares
→ GLAST det

X.Y. Wang, Li, Mészáros 06 ApJ 641:L89

XR → GeV Flares



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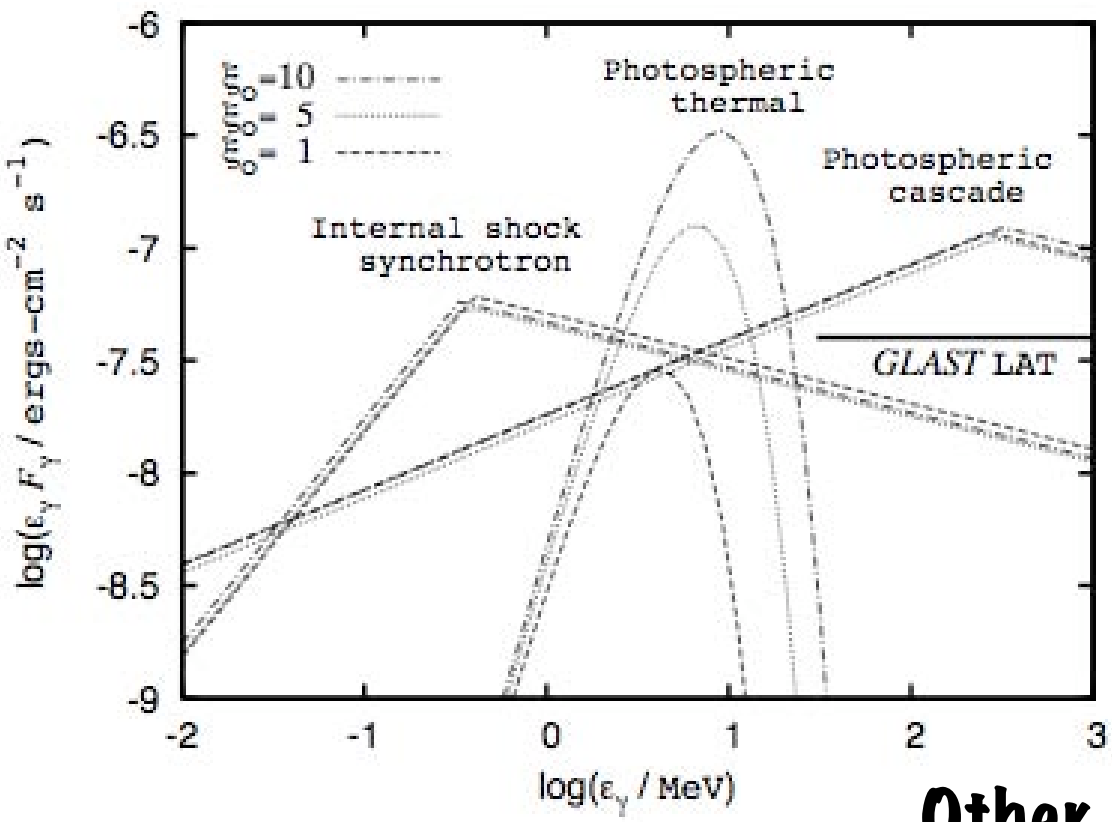
(c.f. Galli, Piro et al 06: same shock self-SSC)

Short GRB as DNS: pn dec



- DNS or BHNS merger: n-rich outflow → np decoupling
- → $(\pi^{\pm}, \pi^{0})$
- → $\gamma_{phot}\,\gamma_{\pi}$ cascade
- SGRB @ z ≲ 0.1 → GLAST det.

Razzaque & Mészáros, aph/0601652

Other DNS/NSBH GeV emission: ***neutron β-decay*** → e^-, p → inner bremss, **GeV photons** → GLAST det (Razzaque & Mészáros, 06, JCAP 06:006

Conclusions: GLAST impact on GRB science

- Will provide radically new info about GRB
- Energetics: will resolve the VHE γ contribution to total calorimetry
- Constrain hadronic contribution and quantify potential as UHECR and UHENU sources
- Provide unique info about compactness, emission region size, dynamics (Γ, etc)
- Indirect info about IGM properties (B, etc)