

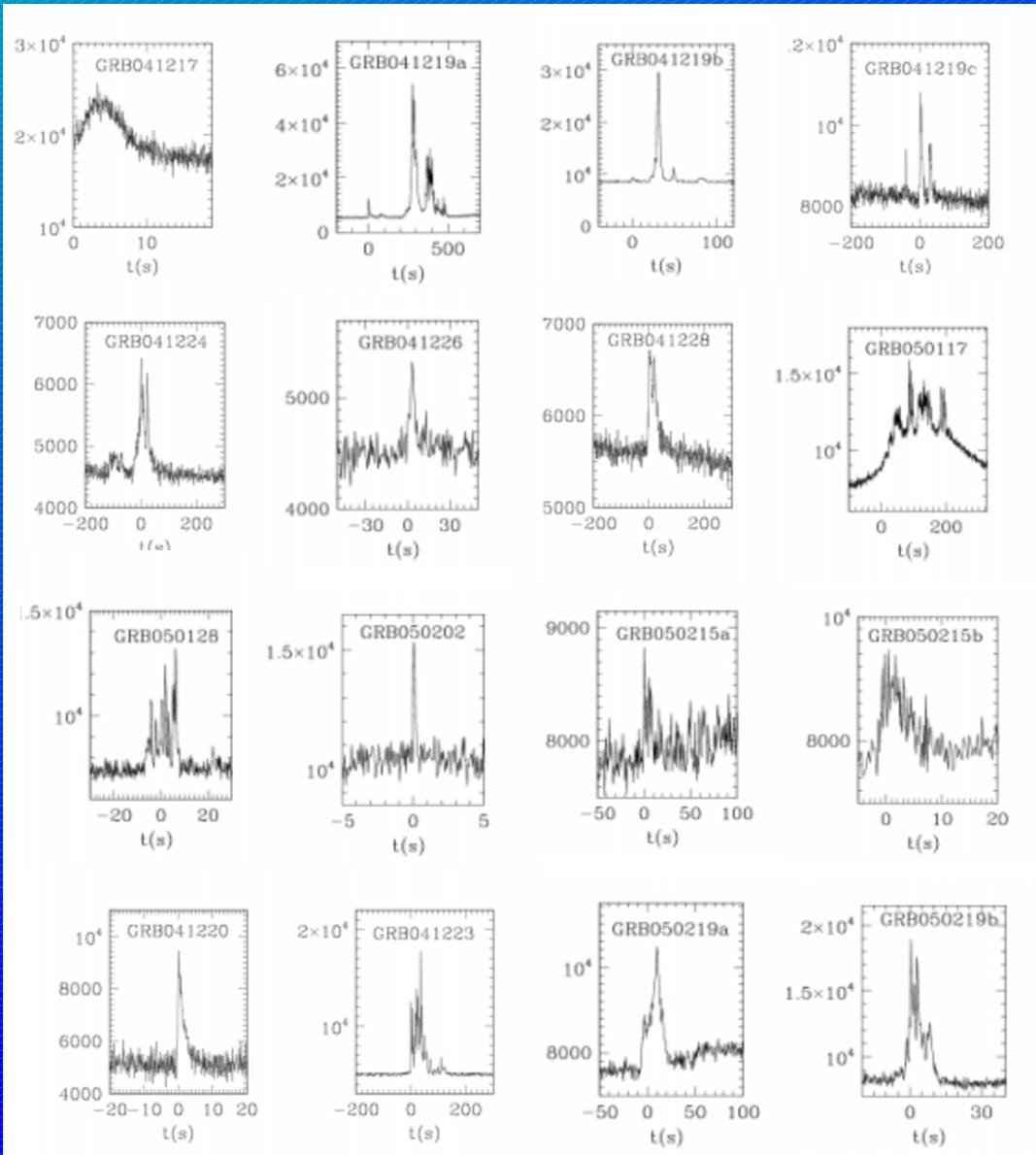
# The GRB classification within the fireshell model: short, long and fake short GRBs

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# The Prompt Emission



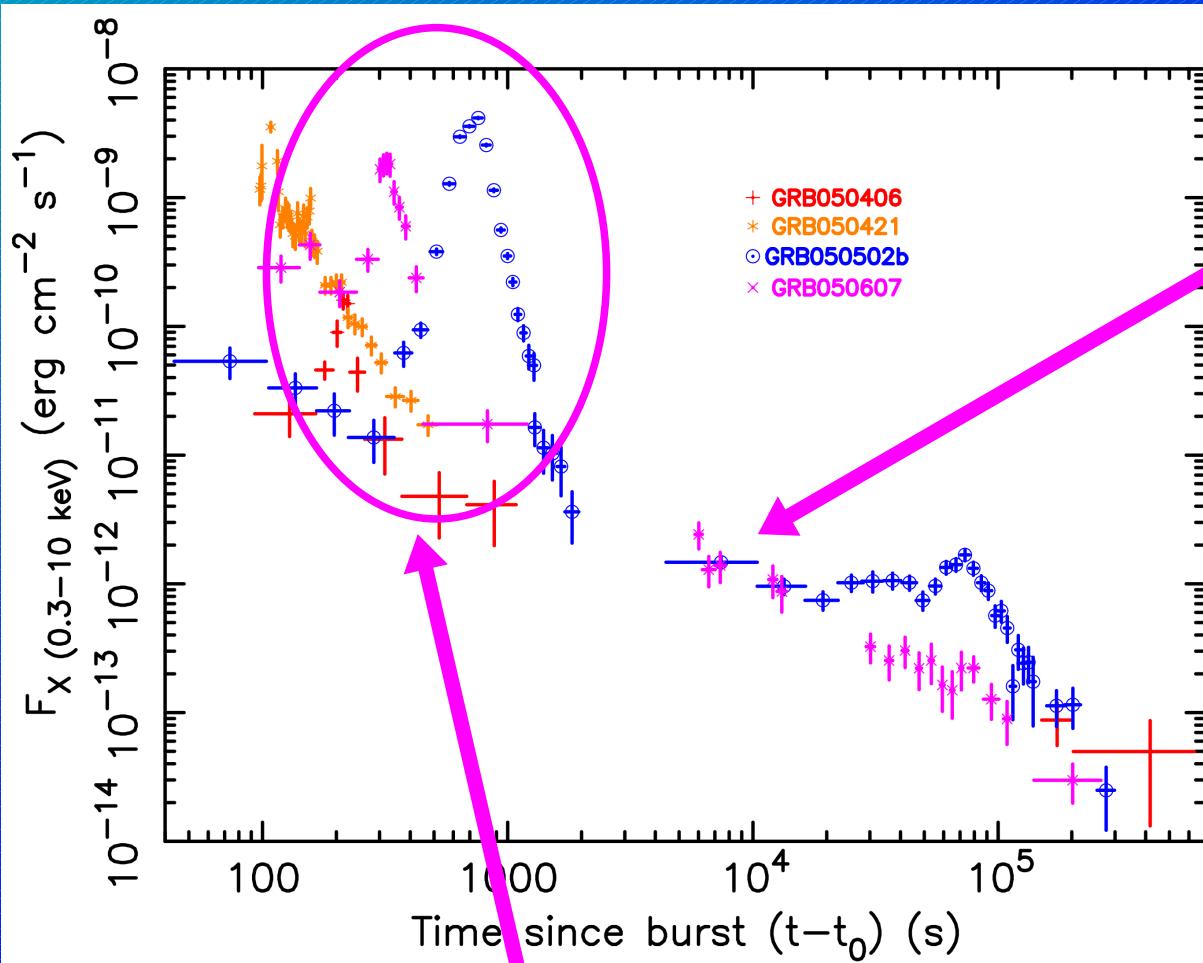
Great variety of  
temporal profiles



- ✓ FRED structure
- ✓ Hard-to-soft evolution
- ✓ Spectral lag

Norris et al., 1996, ApJ, 459, 393.  
Piran, 2004, Phys. Rep., 76, 1143.

# The Afterglow



**Flares:**  
flux changing significantly on  
timescales  $\delta t_a \ll T_a$

## Canonical Afterglow:

$$F \propto t^{-\alpha}$$

- ✓ Early rapid decay ( $3 < \alpha < 5$ )
- ✓ Shallow intermediate decay ( $0.5 < \alpha < 1$ )
- ✓ Steeper decay ( $1 < \alpha < 1.5$ )

Nousek et al., 2006, ApJ, 642, 389.  
Chincarini et al., 2005, astro-ph/0506453.  
Burrows et al., 2005, Science, 309, 1833.

# The optically thin fireshell phase

- ✓ All the  $e^\pm$  annihilate and a flash of photons is emitted: the P-GRB
- ✓ The accelerated baryons continue their expansion and, interacting with the CBM via inelastic collisions, produce a prolonged emission: the AFTERGLOW.



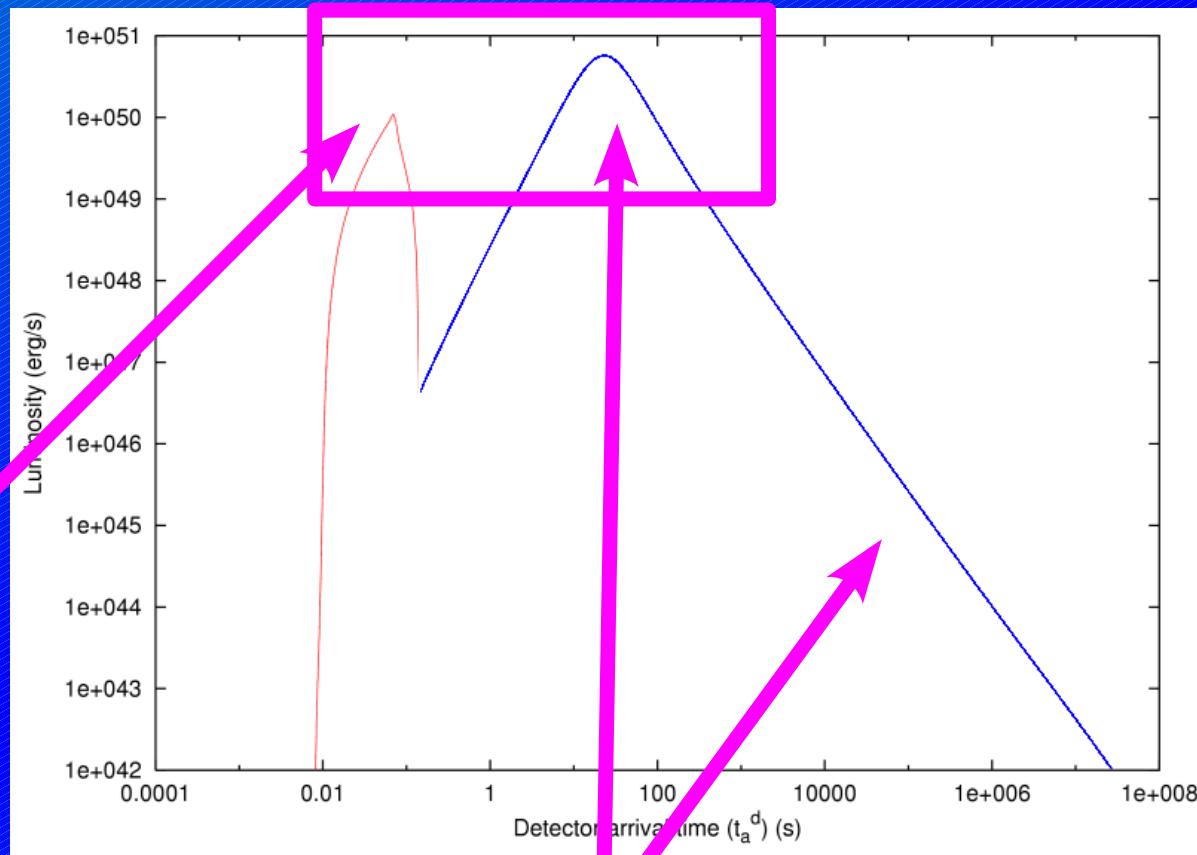
**“Canonical” GRB : P-GRB + Afterglow**

# "Canonical GRB" Bolometric luminosity

## "IBS Paradigm"

(2001):

P-GRB: emitted at the fireshell transparency point

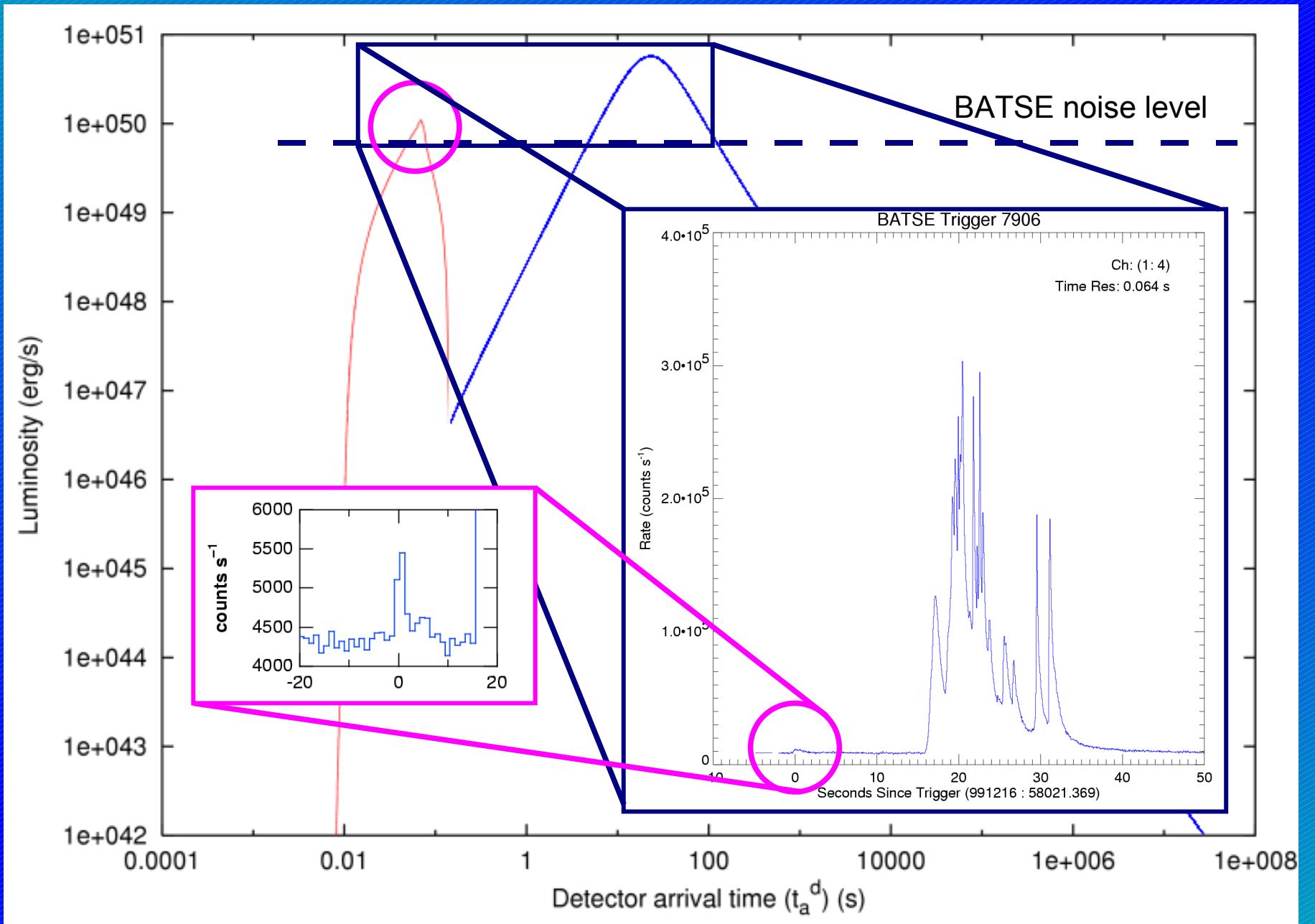


Afterglow: due to the interaction between the optically thin fireshell and CBM:

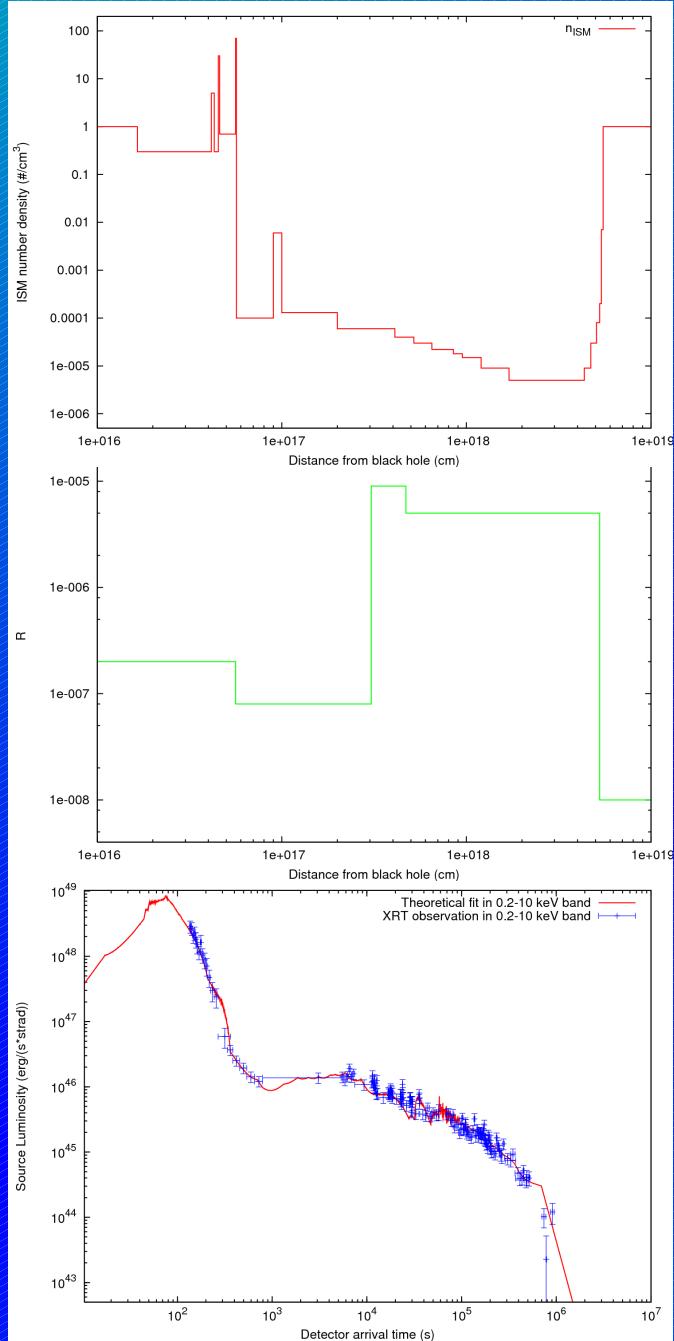
$$\frac{dE_\gamma}{dt_a^d d\Omega} = \int_{EQTS(\hat{t}_a^d)} \frac{\Delta\varepsilon}{4\pi} v \cos\vartheta \Lambda^{-4} \frac{dt}{dt_a^d} d\Sigma$$

$$t_a^d = (1+z) \left( t - \frac{\int_0^t v(t') dt' + r_{ds}}{c} \cos\vartheta + \frac{r_{ds}}{c} \right)$$

# GRB991216



# The afterglow Ic



- ✓ Don't need to invoke different physical processes
- ✓ Interaction with inhomogeneous CBM, modeled in spherical shells (radial approximation  $n_{\text{cbm}} = n_{\text{cbm}}(r)$ )
- ✓ Main difference: Gamma factor
- ✓ Temporal variability <-- variability in the CBM parameters

Ruffini et al., 2001, ApJ, 555, L107.  
Bianco & Ruffini, 2005, ApJ, 620, L23.  
Ruffini et al., 2003, "Cosmology and Gravitation", AIP, 668.

# GRB spectrum

$$N(\nu) = N_0 \begin{cases} (h\nu)^\alpha e^{-\frac{h\nu}{E_0}t}, & h\nu < H \\ ((\alpha - \beta)E_0)^{(\alpha-\beta)}(h\nu)^\beta e^{(\beta-\alpha)}, & h\nu > H. \end{cases}$$

Observed  
non-thermal  
Band spectrum



Energy density  
released in the  
int. with CBM

$$\Delta\epsilon = \frac{\Delta E_{\text{int}}}{V\Delta t} = \frac{4\pi r^2}{V} \mathcal{R} \sigma T^4$$

$$\mathcal{R} = \frac{A_{eff}}{A_{tot}}$$

Surface  
filling factor

$$\frac{dE[\nu_1, \nu_2]}{dt_a^d d\Omega} = \int_{EQTS} \frac{\Delta\epsilon}{4\pi} v \cos\vartheta \Lambda^{-4} \frac{dt}{dt_a^d} W(\nu_1, \nu_2, T_{arr}) d\Sigma$$

"Effective weight":

$$W(\nu_1, \nu_2, T_{arr}) = \frac{1}{a T_{arr}^4} \int_{\nu_1}^{\nu_2} \rho(T_{arr}, \nu) c \left(\frac{h\nu}{c}\right)^3$$

Plankian distribution at  $T_{arr}$ :

$$\rho(T_{arr}, \nu) = \frac{2}{h^3} \frac{h\nu}{e^{h\nu/(kT_{arr})} - 1}$$

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- ✓  $z = 1.949$
- ✓ Good example of "canonical afterglow"

$$E_{e\pm}^{\text{tot}} = 1.46 \times 10^{53} \text{ erg}, B = 4.55 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\rightarrow N_{e\pm} = 7.9 \times 10^{57}, T = 2.0 \text{ MeV}, \gamma = 218$$

## Prompt Emission:

$$\langle n_{\text{cbm}} \rangle = 0.81 \#/\text{cm}^3$$

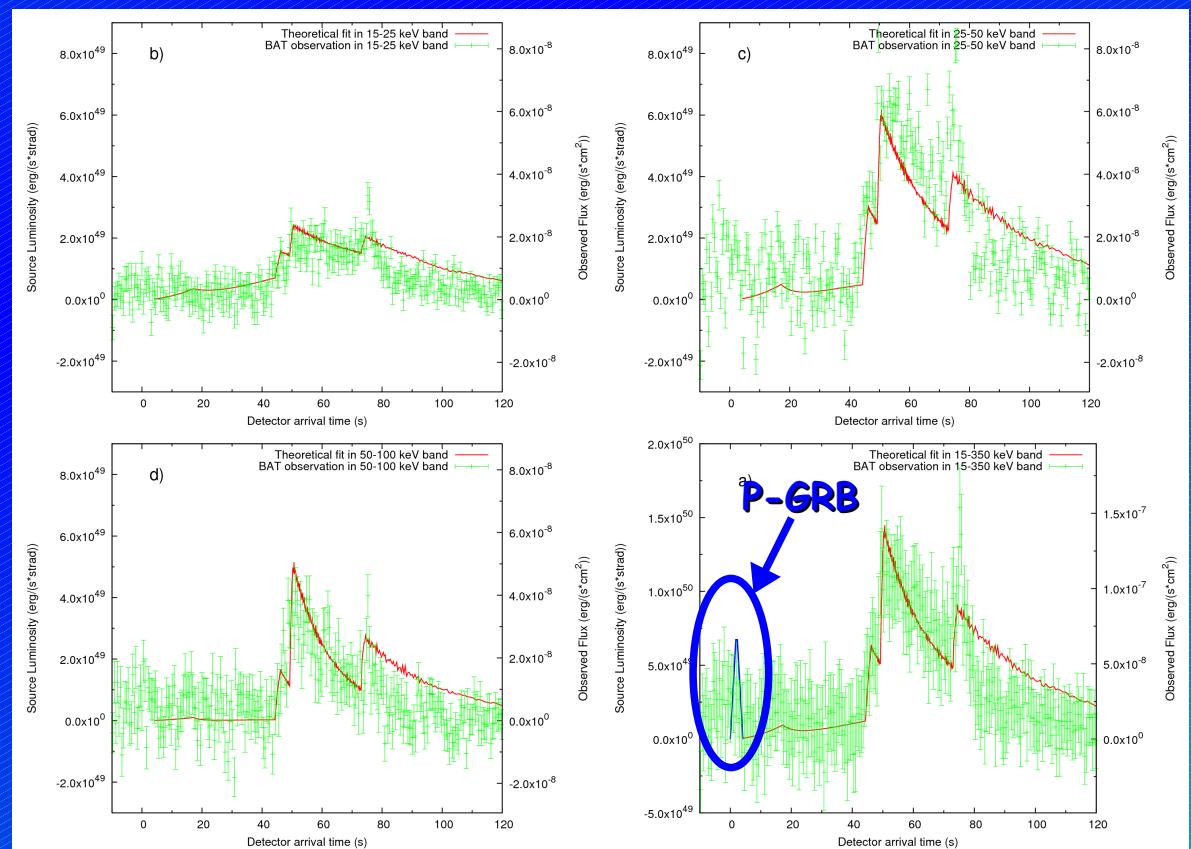
$$\langle Q \rangle = 1.4 \times 10^{-7}$$

$$\delta n/n \sim 10 \#/\text{cm}^3$$

$$\Delta \sim 10^{14} \text{ cm}$$

$$E_{\text{P-GRB}} = 1.98 \times 10^{51} \text{ erg}$$

Kelson & Berger, 2005, GCN3101.  
 Ruffini et al., 2006, ApJ, 645, L109.  
 Vaughan et al., 2006, ApJ, 638, 920.



# GRB050315

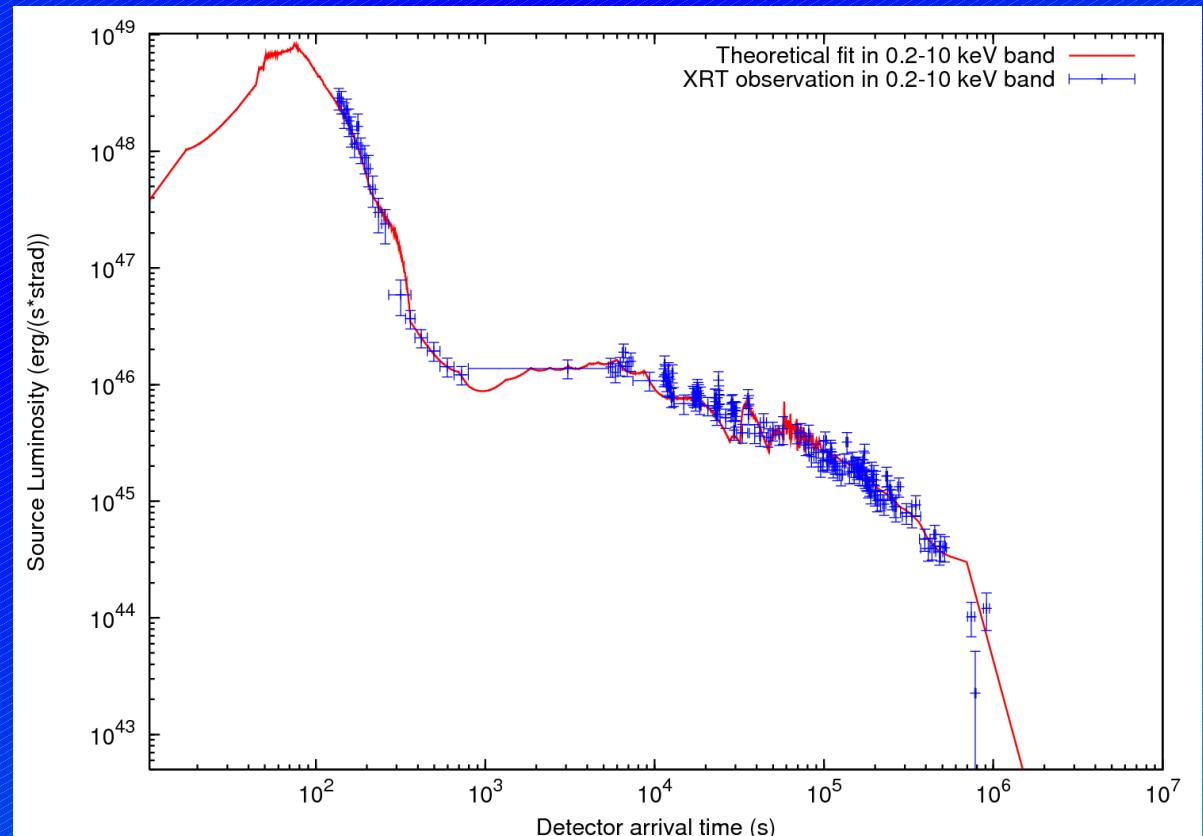
## Afterglow:

$$\langle n_{\text{cbm}} \rangle = 4.8 \times 10^{-4} \#/\text{cm}^3$$

$$\langle \mathcal{R} \rangle = 7.0 \times 10^{-6}$$

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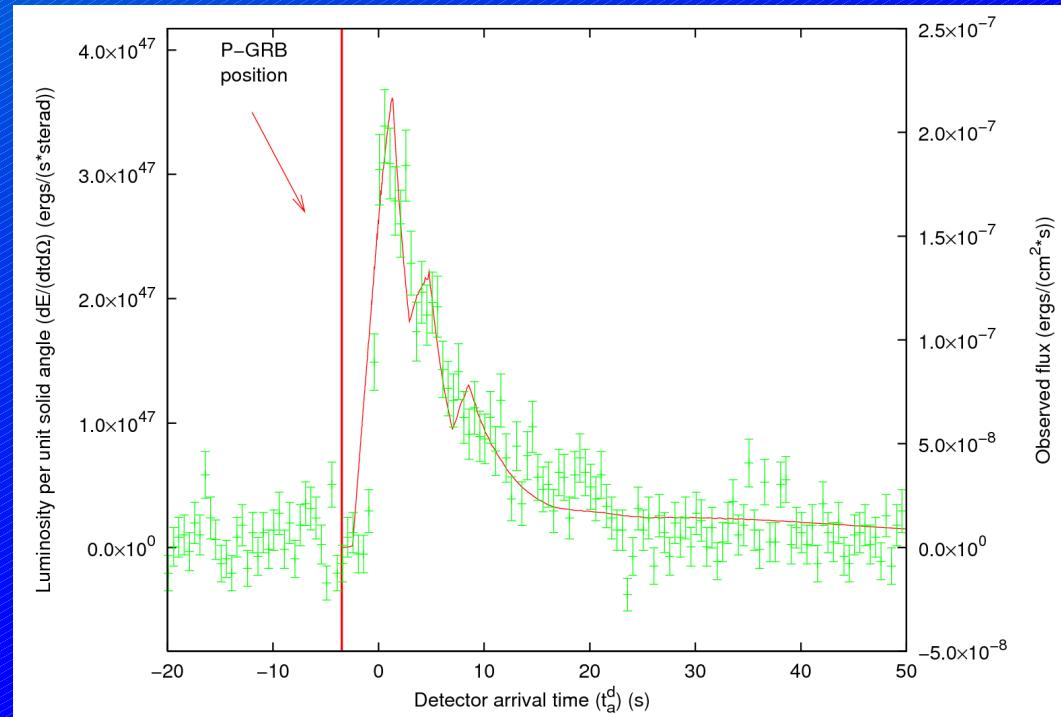
The “canonical behavior” naturally arises from the fluctuations of the CBM parameters



# GRB031203

$$\begin{aligned} E_{e\pm}^{\text{tot}} &= 1.8 \times 10^{50} \text{ erg}, B = 7.4 \times 10^{-3} \\ \rightarrow N_{e\pm} &= 3.0 \times 10^{55}, T = 1.5 \text{ MeV}, \gamma = 133 \\ \langle n_{\text{cbm}} \rangle &= 0.16 \#/\text{cm}^3, \langle \mathcal{R} \rangle = 1.0 \times 10^{-8} \end{aligned}$$

- ✓  $z = 0.106$
- ✓ “unusual” burst



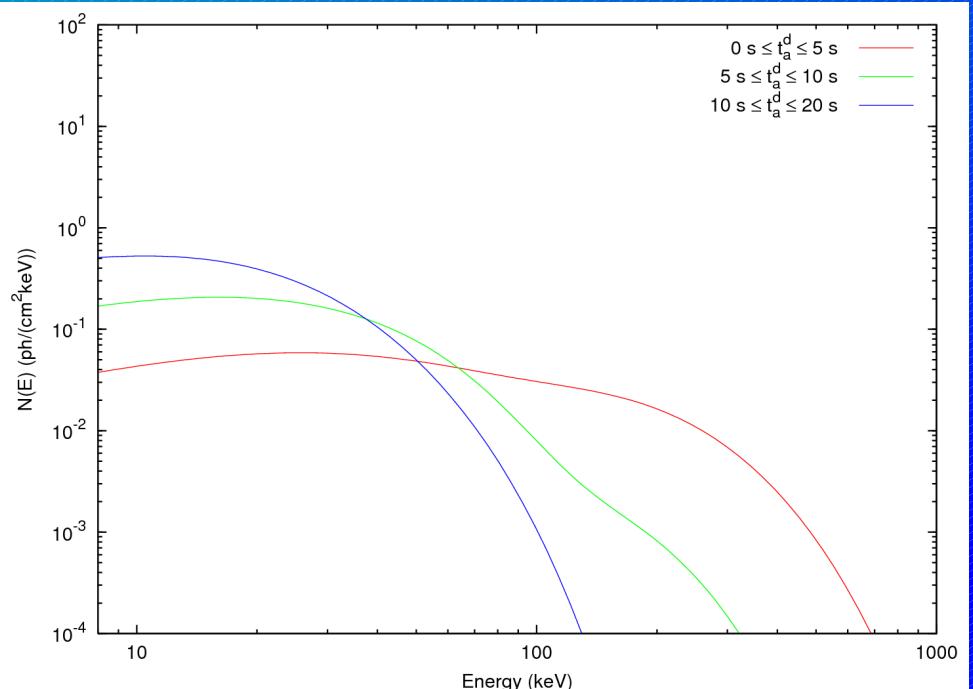
Its gamma-ray luminosity is interpreted within our model in a natural way

Bernardini et al., 2005, ApJ, 634, L29.

Sazonov et al., 2004, Nature, 430, 646.

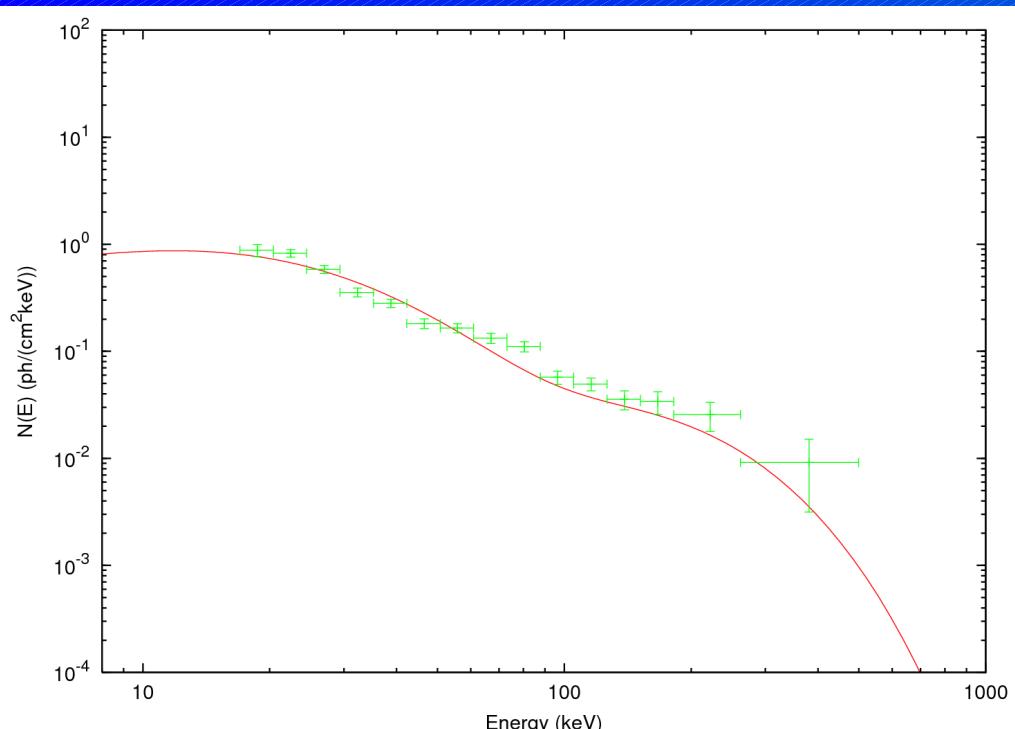
Watson et al., 2004, ApJ, 605, L101.

# The time-integrated spectrum

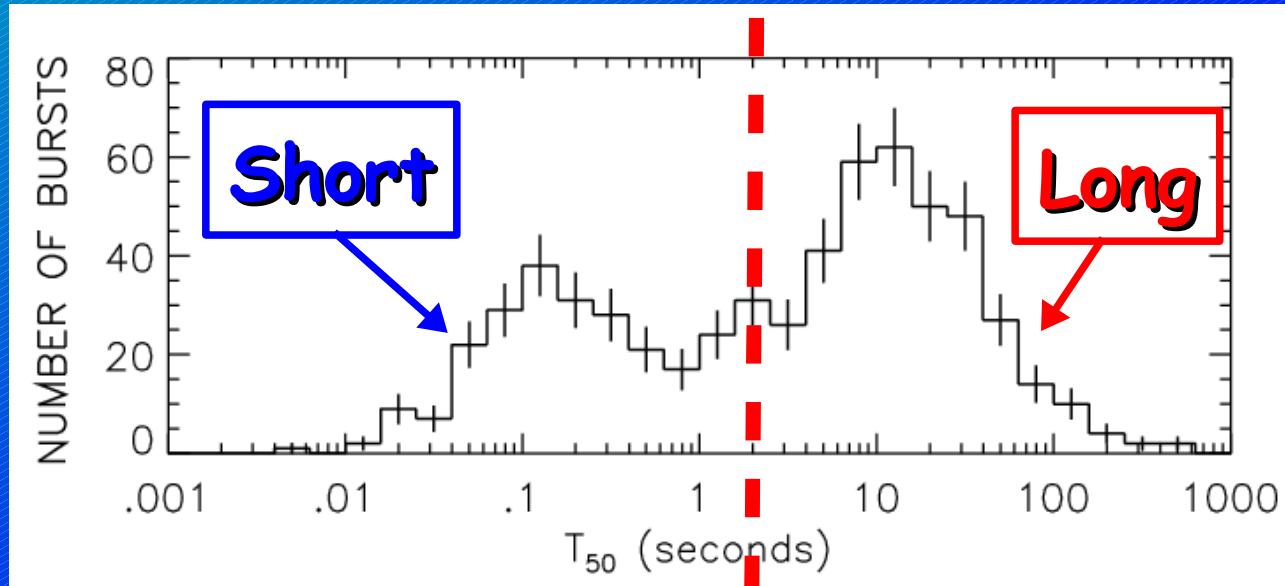


Double integration  
over EQTS and  
observation time

The power-law behavior of  
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can be obtained starting  
from thermal spectra



# Short vs Long GRBs



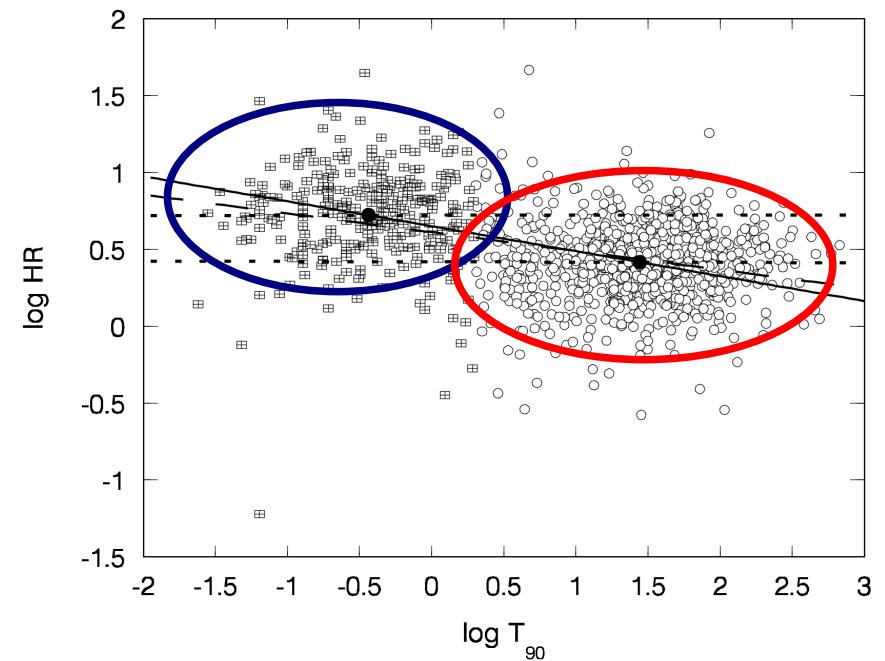
Long GRBs :  
 $T_{90} > 2 \text{ s}$

Short (hard) GRBs :  
 $T_{90} < 2 \text{ s}$

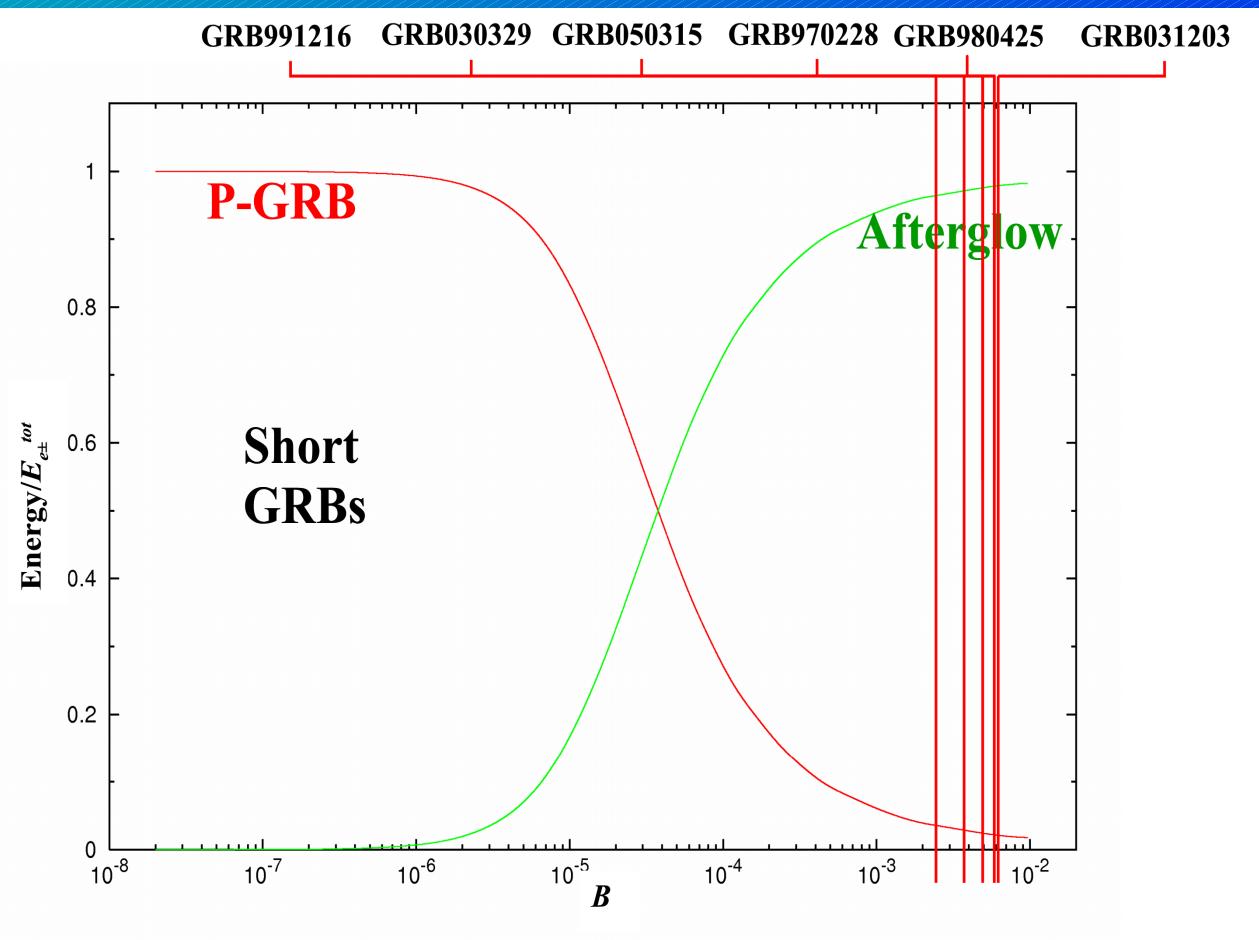
Kouveliotou et al., 1996, AIP Conf. Proc., 384, 42.

Paciesas et al., 1999, ApJS, 122, 465.

Donaghy et al., 2006, astro-ph/0605570.



# P-GRB vs Afterglow



✓  $B \rightarrow 10^{-2}$  : the P-GRB total energy decreases and it is negligible w.r. to the afterglow one.

✓  $B \rightarrow 0$  : the afterglow total energy decreases and it is negligible w.r. to the P-GRB one.

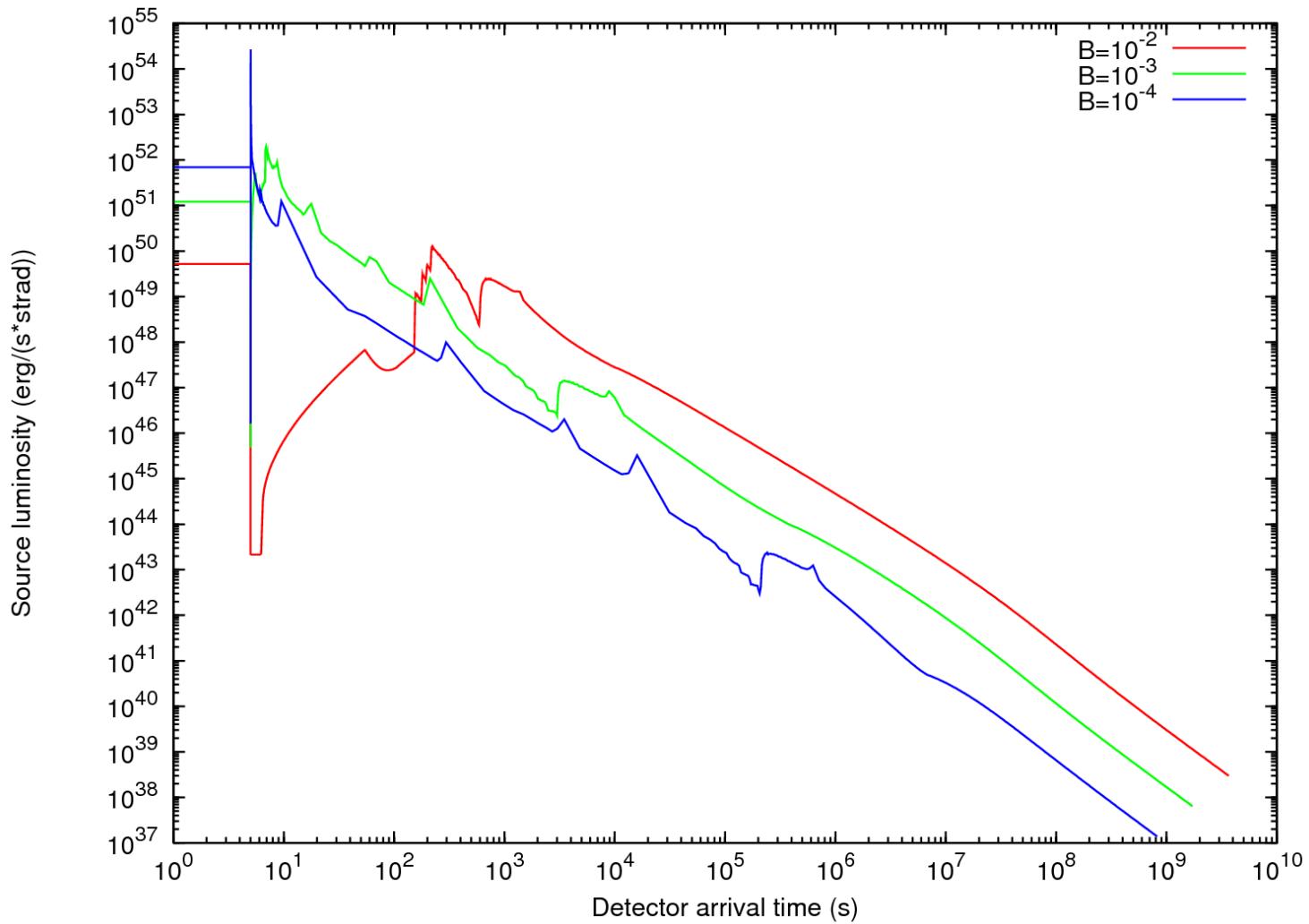
**"Genuine" Short GRBs**

**"Genuine" Short GRBs are Canonical GRBs with  $B < 10^{-5}$**

... see De Barros' talk<sup>14</sup>

# Effects on the light curves

$$E_{\text{tot}}^{\text{tot}} = 4.8 \times 10^{53} \text{ erg}, \langle n \rangle = 1.0 \text{#/cm}^3$$



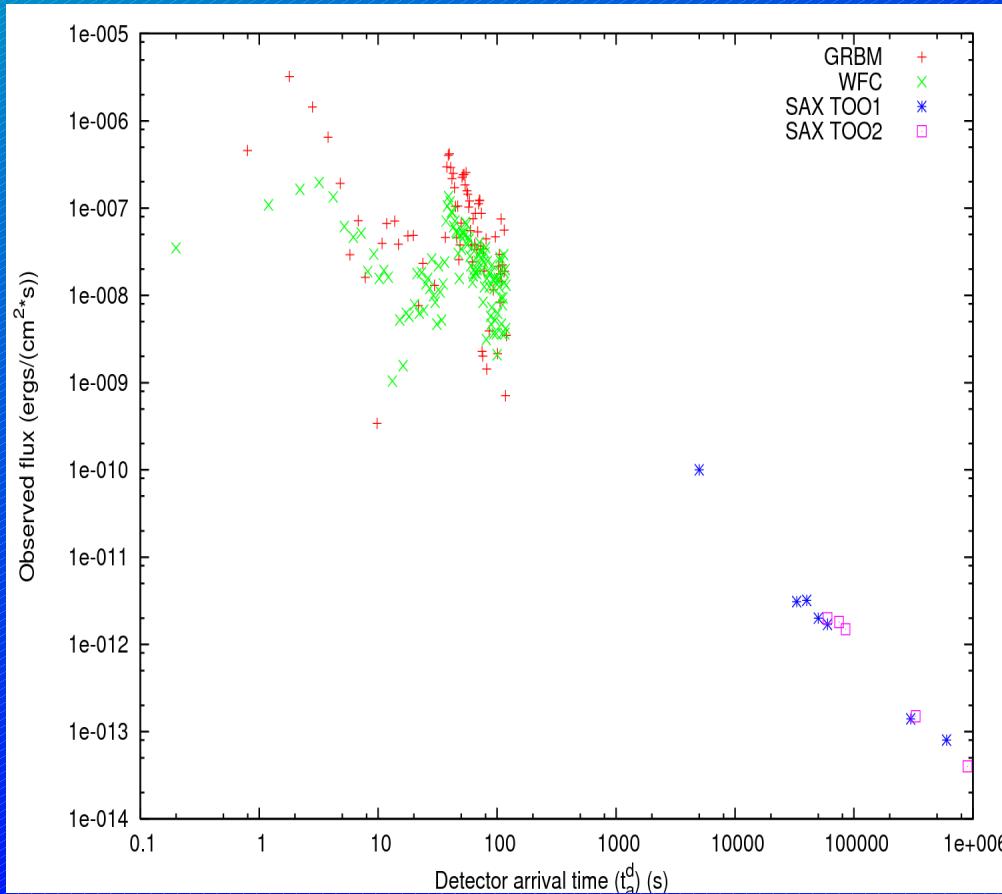
- ✓  $B = 10^{-2}$ : the P-GRB is often under the instrumental threshold
- ✓  $B = 10^{-4}$ : the prompt emission is dominated by the P-GRB

# A new family of sources

- ✓ Norris & Bonnell (2006): "occasional softer, extended emission lasting tens of seconds after the initial spikelike emission comprising an otherwise short burst"
- ✓ GRB060614: "hybrid" properties between short and long bursts (... see Caito's talk)
- ✓ Short GRBs' Afterglow Revolution

"the current nomenclature for the two classes  
(...) is at best misleading"

# GRB970228



- ✓ A “normal” long GRB, with a duration  $\sim 80$  s
- ✓ Long GRBs “Afterglow revolution”
- ✓  $z = 0.695$
- ✓ Prompt emission <- strong pulse during  $\sim 5$  s + three additional pulses of decreasing intensity
- ✓ Localized on the outskirt of a faint galaxy

Frontera et al. 1998, ApJ, 493, L67.

Costa et al. 1997, Nature, 387, 783.

Bloom, Djorgovski & Kulkarni, 2001, ApJ, 554, 678.

Van Paradijs et al., 1997, Nature, 386, 686.

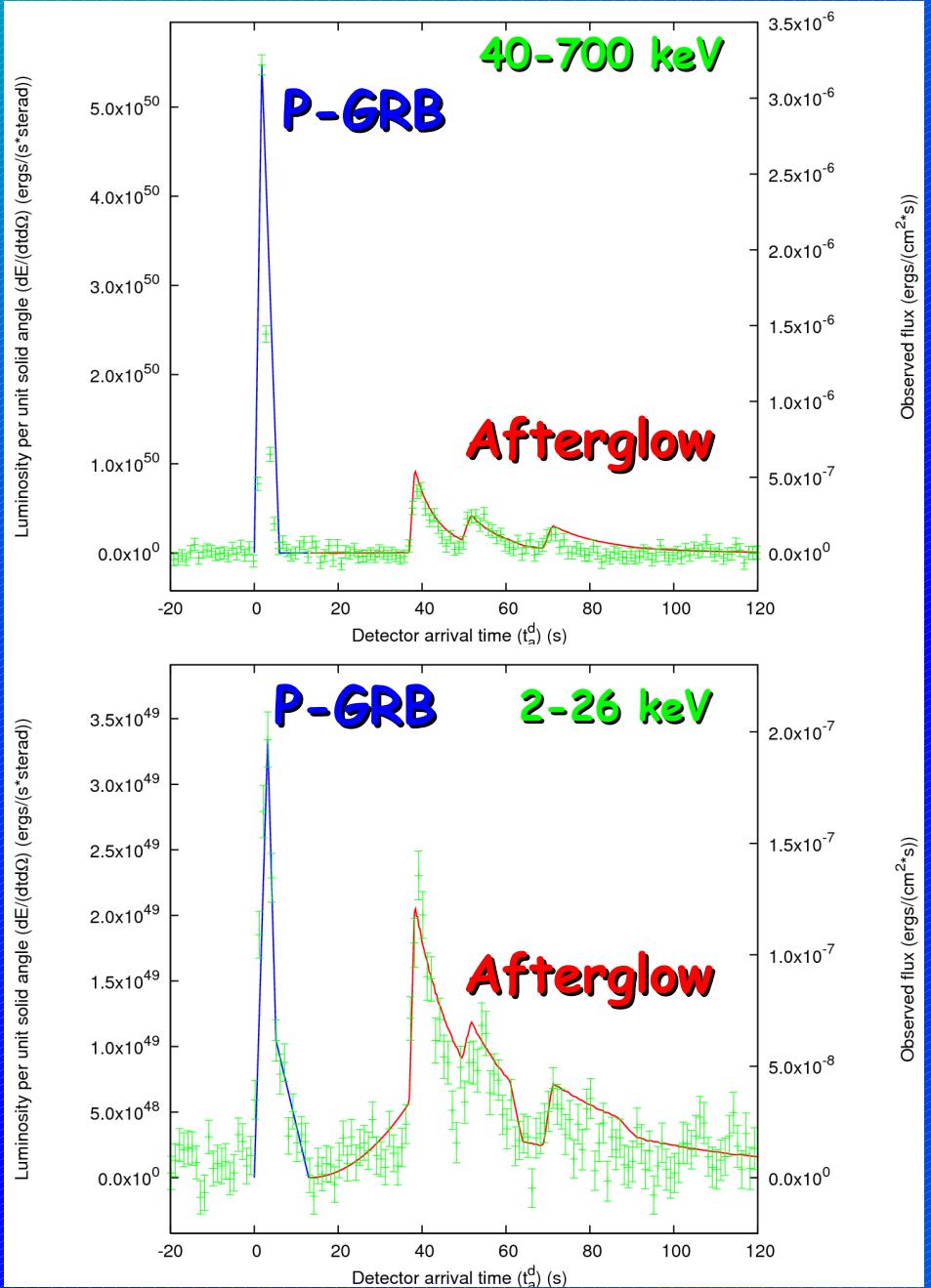
# GRB970228

## What can we learn from observations?

- ✓ The spectral behavior of the last three pulses differs from that of the first one
- ✓ The last three GRB pulses and the X-ray afterglow have a similar spectrum

"the emission mechanism producing the X-ray afterglow might be already taking place after the first pulse" (Frontera et al.)

# GRB970228 prompt emission



$$E_{e^\pm}^{\text{tot}} = 1.4 \times 10^{54} \text{ erg}, B = 5.0 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\rightarrow N_{e^\pm} = 1.6 \times 10^{59}, T = 1.7 \text{ MeV}, \gamma_0 = 199$$

$$\langle n_{\text{cbm}} \rangle = 9.5 \times 10^{-4} \#/\text{cm}^3,$$

$$\langle \mathcal{R} \rangle = 1.5 \times 10^{-7}$$

↓

$$E_{\text{P-GRB}}^{\text{theo}} = 1.1\% E_{e^\pm}^{\text{tot}} = 1.54 \times 10^{52} \text{ erg}$$

vs

$$E_{\text{P-GRB}}^{\text{obs}} = 1.5 \times 10^{52} \text{ erg}$$

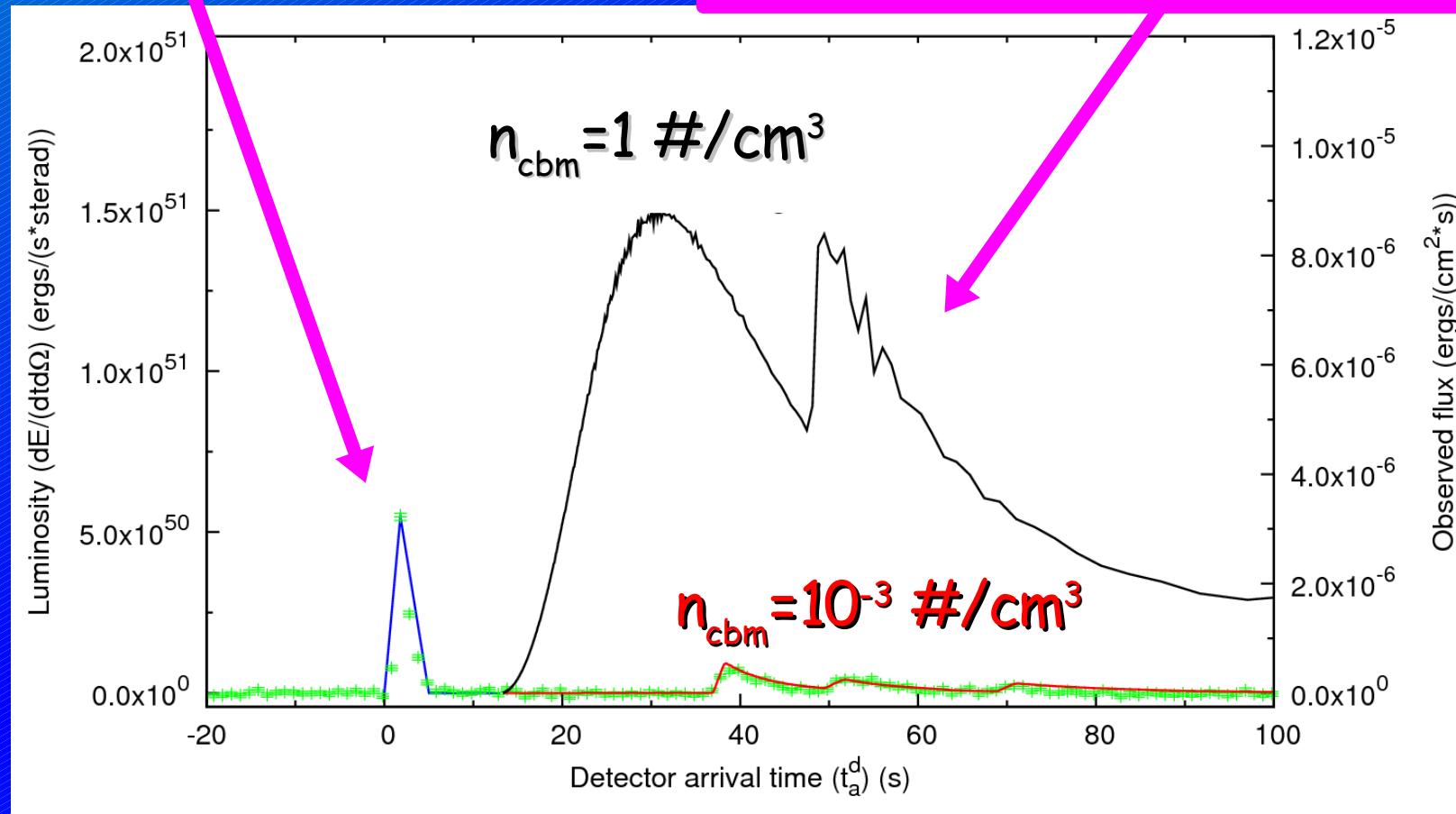
Bernardini et al. 2007, A&A, 474, L13.

Frontera et al. 1998, ApJ, 493, L67.

# The role of the CBM density

P-GRB: unchanged!!!

Afterglow peak emission:  
duration & flux modified



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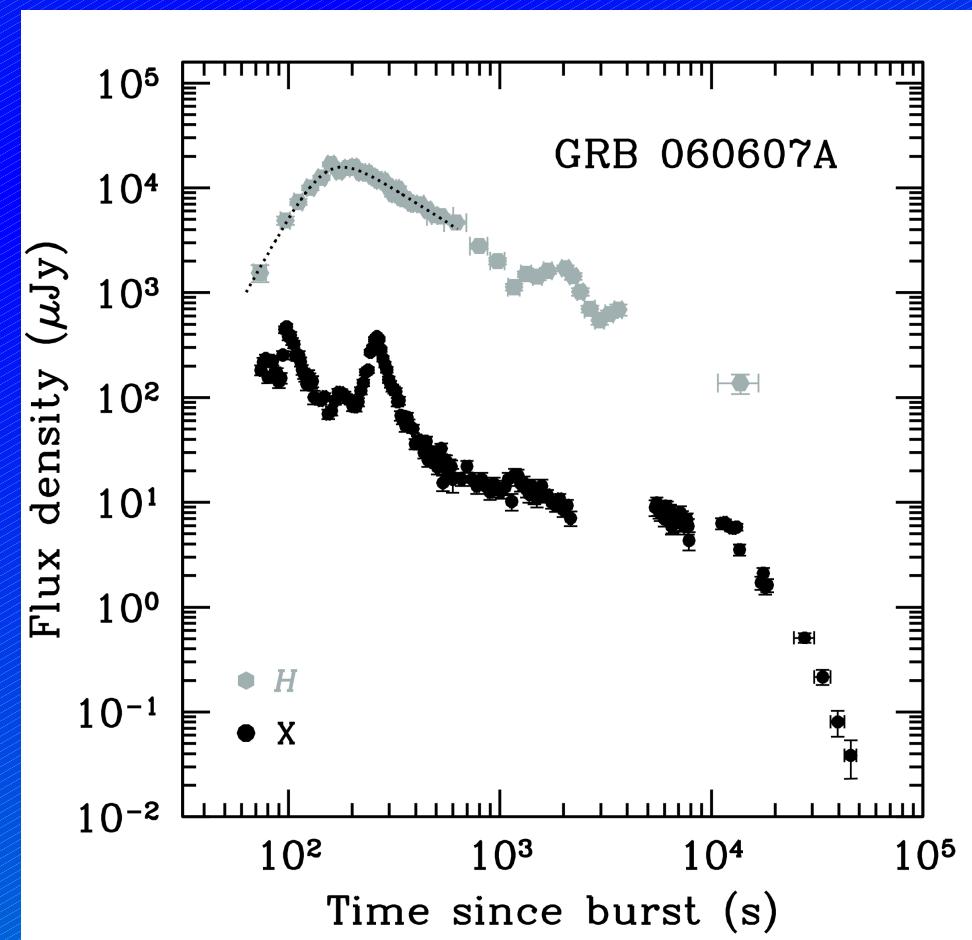
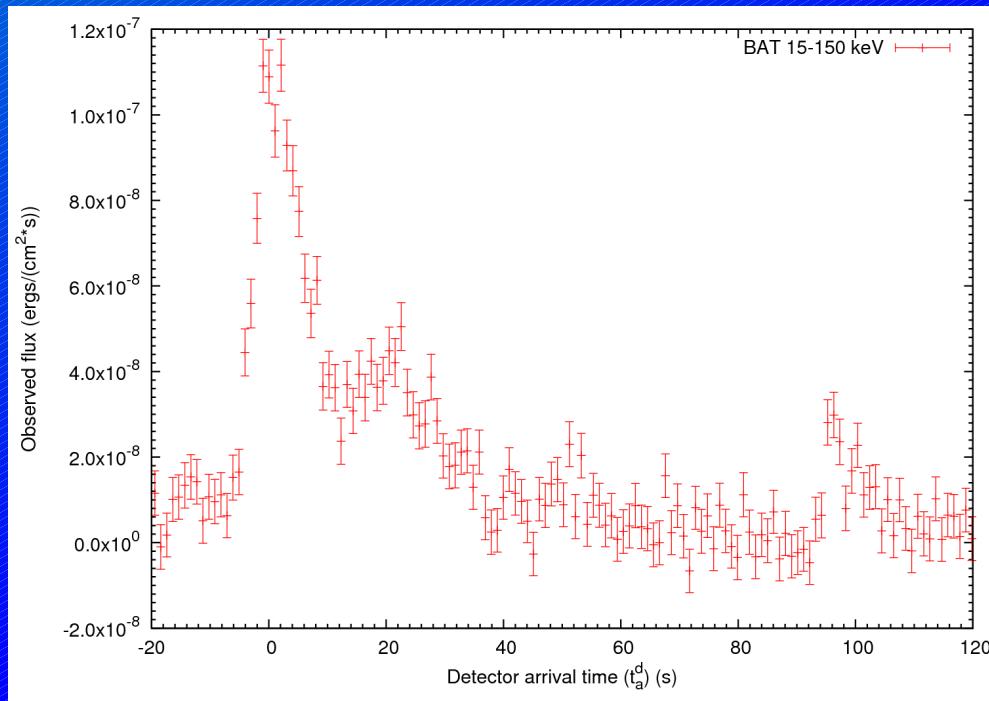
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# Prototype for the new class

- ✓ Same morphology and spectral properties:
  - initial spikelike emission <-- physics of  
(= P-GRB) P-GRB
  - soft extended emission <-- physics of the  
(= "deflated" afterglow) fireshell
- ✓  $\langle z \rangle \sim 0.4$  <-- deflated afterglow hard to detect
- ✓ Most of GRBs observed in galaxy outskirts or in galaxy clusters --> low CBM density + binary nature of the progenitors

# GRB060607A

- ✓ BAT Ic: initial spikelike emission  $\sim 15$  s
- ✓ XRT Ic: canonical behavior + flaring activity
- ✓ Peak of the IR emission observed by REMIR
- ✓  $z = 3.082$

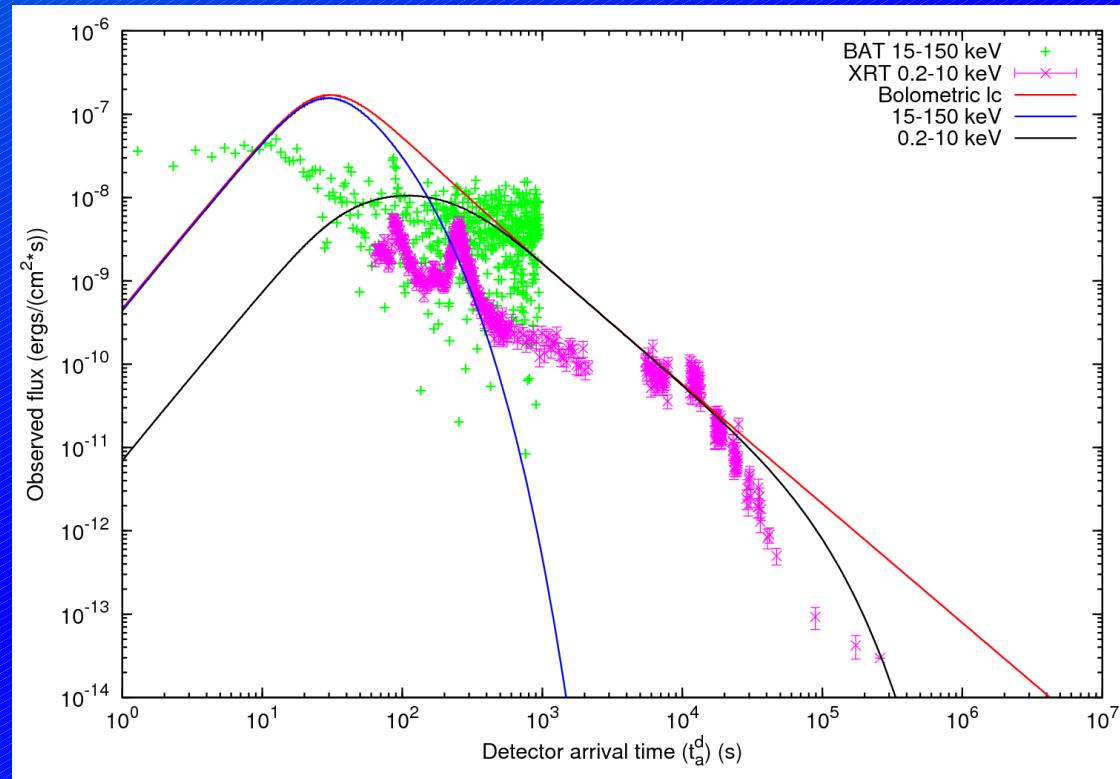


Molinari et al. 2007, A&A, 469, L13.

Covino et al., arXiv:0710.0727.

# GRB060607A as a "fake short" GRB

$E_{e\pm}^{\text{tot}} = 4.1 \times 10^{53}$ erg	OK
$B = 3.0 \times 10^{-4}$	small
$E_{\text{P-GRB}} = 4.0 \times 10^{52}$ erg	OK
$n_{\text{CBM}} = 4.0 \times 10^{-9}$ #/cm <sup>3</sup>	??!!
$\mathcal{R} = 1.0 \times 10^{-9}$	OK



GRB060607A cannot be interpreted as a fake short GRB with realistic values of the parameters!!!!!!

# ..... as a typical long GRB .....

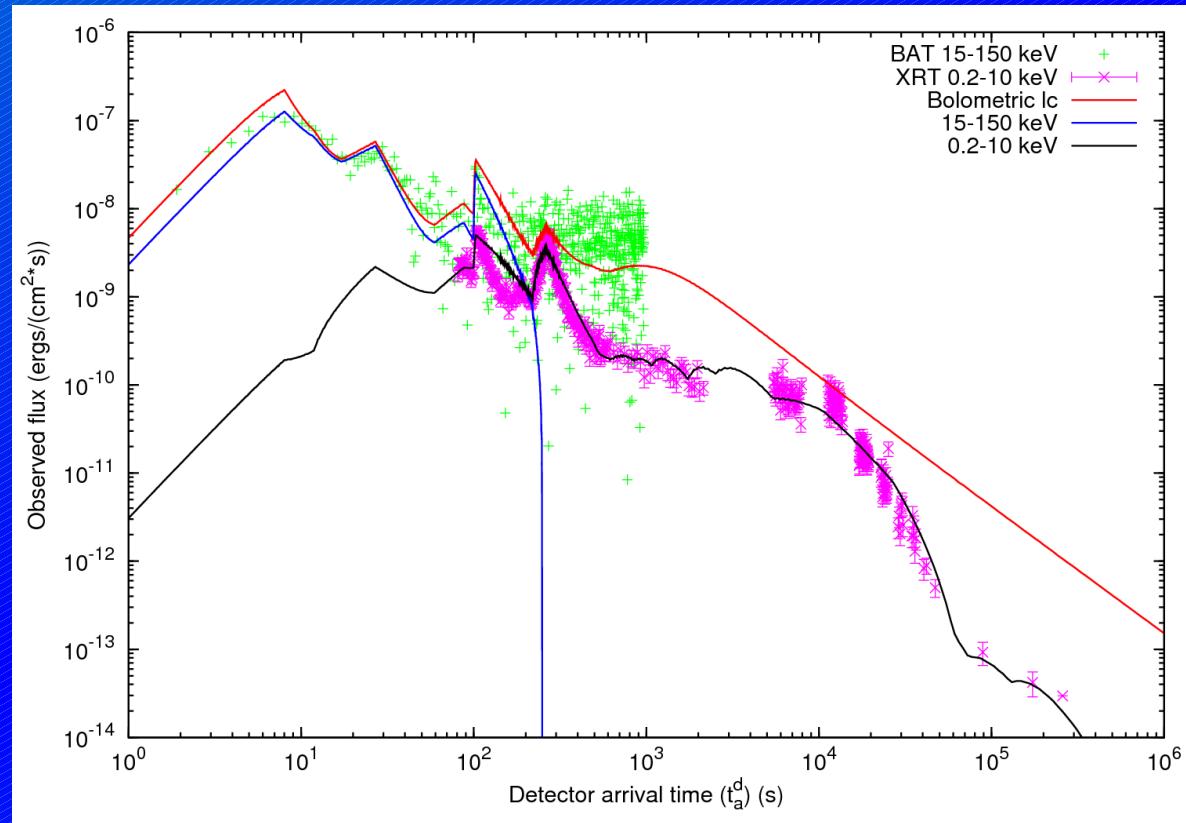
$$E_{e\pm}^{\text{tot}} = 2.5 \times 10^{53} \text{ erg}$$

$$B = 3.0 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\rightarrow N_{e\pm} = 2.6 \times 10^{58},$$

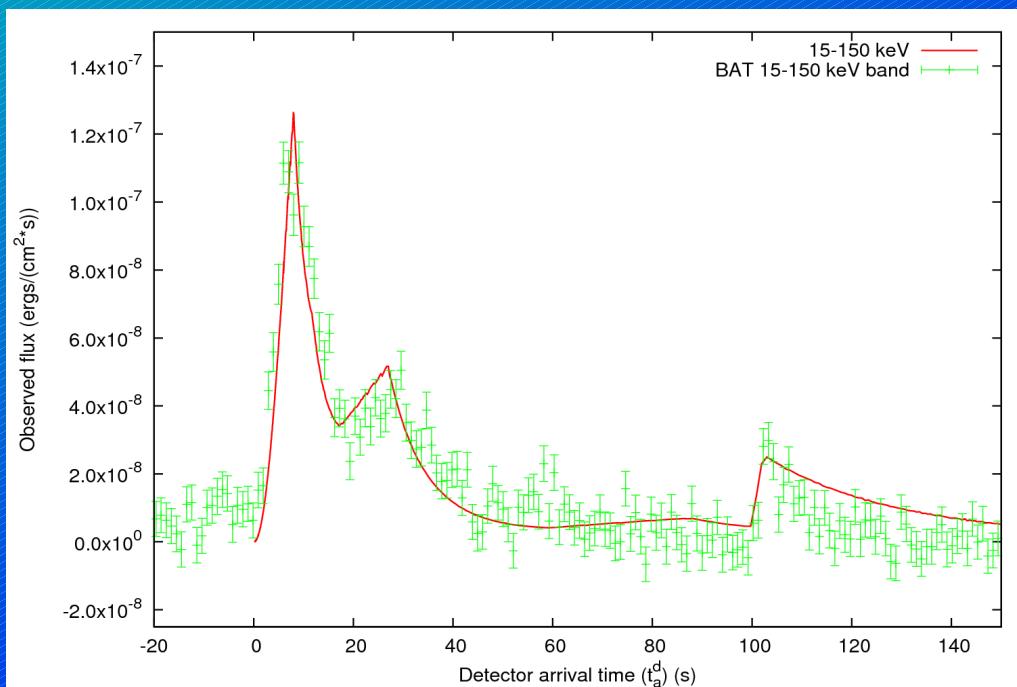
$$T = 1.7 \text{ MeV}$$

$$\gamma_0 = 330$$



- ✓ LCs well reproduced
- ✓  $E_{\text{P-GRB}} = 1.9\% E_{e\pm}^{\text{tot}} = 4.7 \times 10^{51} \text{ erg} \rightarrow \text{under threshold}$

# Details on the LCs

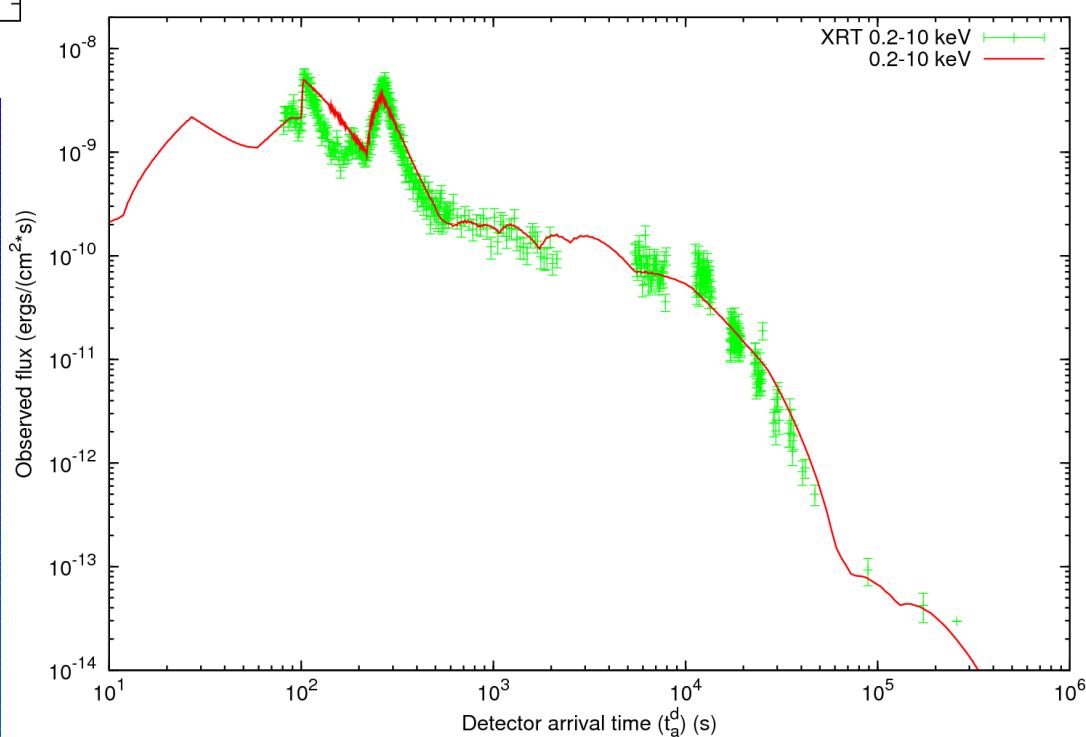


Prompt emission:

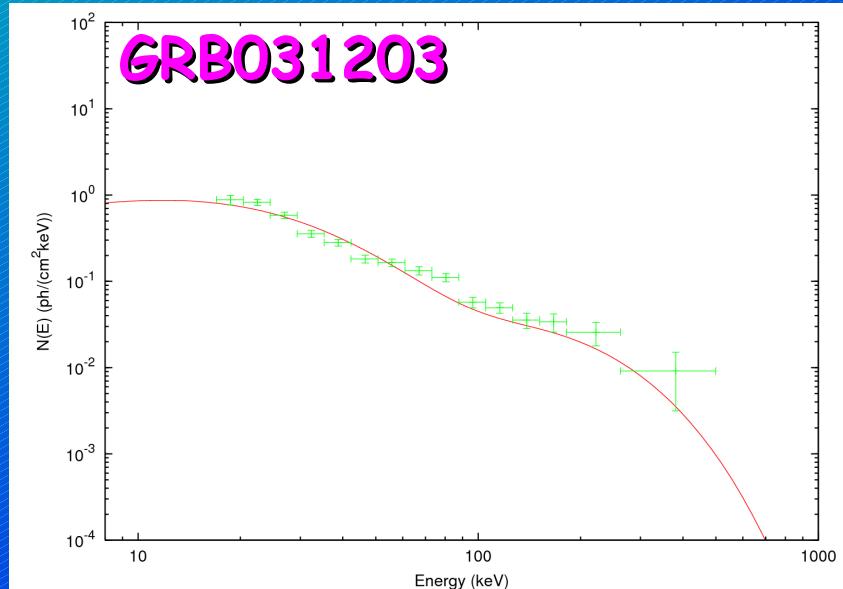
$$\langle n_{CBM} \rangle = 0.1 \#/\text{cm}^3$$

X-Ray Afterglow:

... see Dainotti's talk

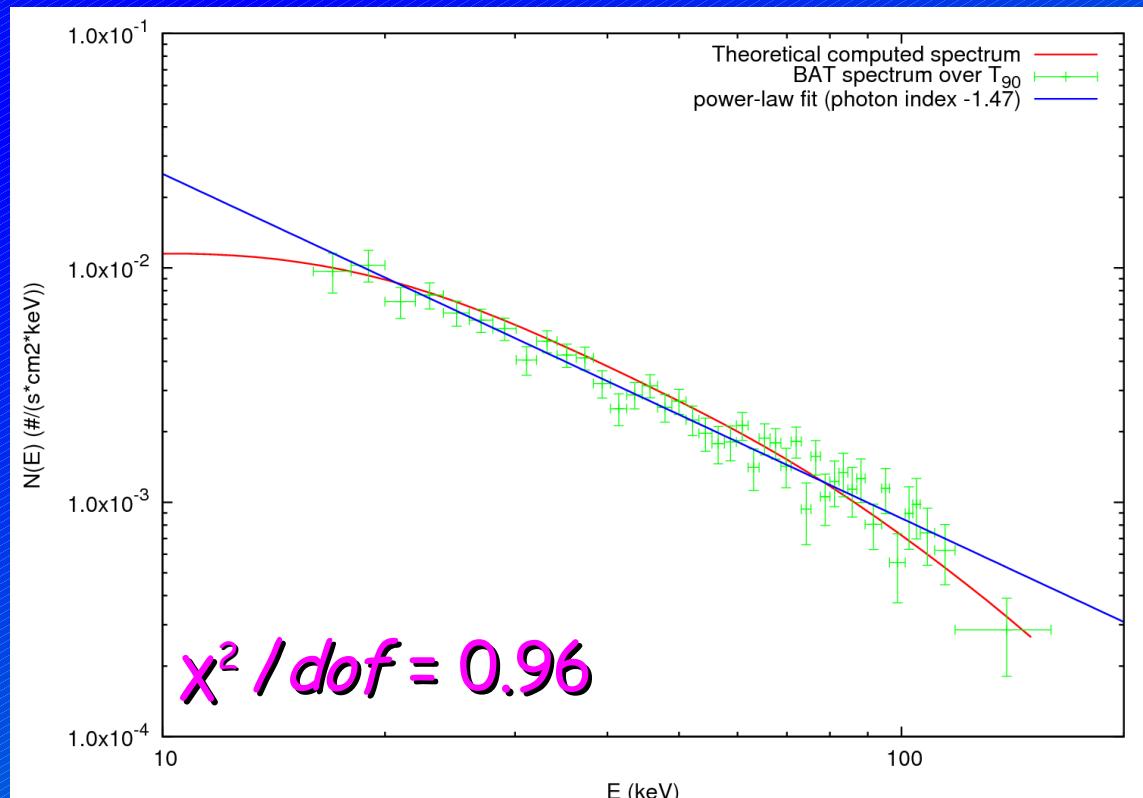


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# The “Canonical GRB” scenario

$$B < 10^{-5}$$

The total P-GRB energy is larger than the afterglow one.

“Genuine” short GRBs:  
the P-GRB is the leading contribution and the afterglow is negligible

$$10^{-4} < B < 10^{-2}$$

The total P-GRB energy is smaller than the afterglow one.

$n_{cbm} \sim 10^{-3} \text{ #}/\text{cm}^3$   
(compatible with a galactic halo environment)

“Fake” short GRBs:  
the P-GRB appears to be the leading contribution since the afterglow is deflated by low CBM density  
(GRB 970228, GRB 060614).

$$n_{cbm} \sim 1 \text{ #}/\text{cm}^3$$

Normal (“long”) GRBs:  
(GRB 991216, GRB 050315..)

Bernardini et al., 2007, A&A, 474, L13.

Bianco et al., 2007, AIP Conf. Proc., 966, 12.

# Conclusions

- ✓ “Canonical GRB” scenario:
  - “Genuine” S-GRBs  $\leftarrow B < 10^{-5}$
  - “Fake” S-GRBs  $\leftarrow B > 10^{-5}$ ,  $\langle n_{\text{cbm}} \rangle \sim 10^{-3} \text{#/cm}^3$
  - “Normal” L-GRBs  $\leftarrow B > 10^{-5}$ ,  $\langle n_{\text{cbm}} \rangle \sim 1 \text{#/cm}^3$
- ✓ GRB Ic and spectra successfully reproduced  
(see also De Barros, Caito & Dainotti talks)
- ✓ Role of the CBM density  $\leftarrow$  possibly binary system in galactic halo