

General outline of my talks

1) Gamma Ray Bursts: the observational pillars after two decades of observations

Global observational properties of GRBs in the frequency/time domain (prompt and afterglow – long and short), their typical energetics, distance scale, spectral properties etc.

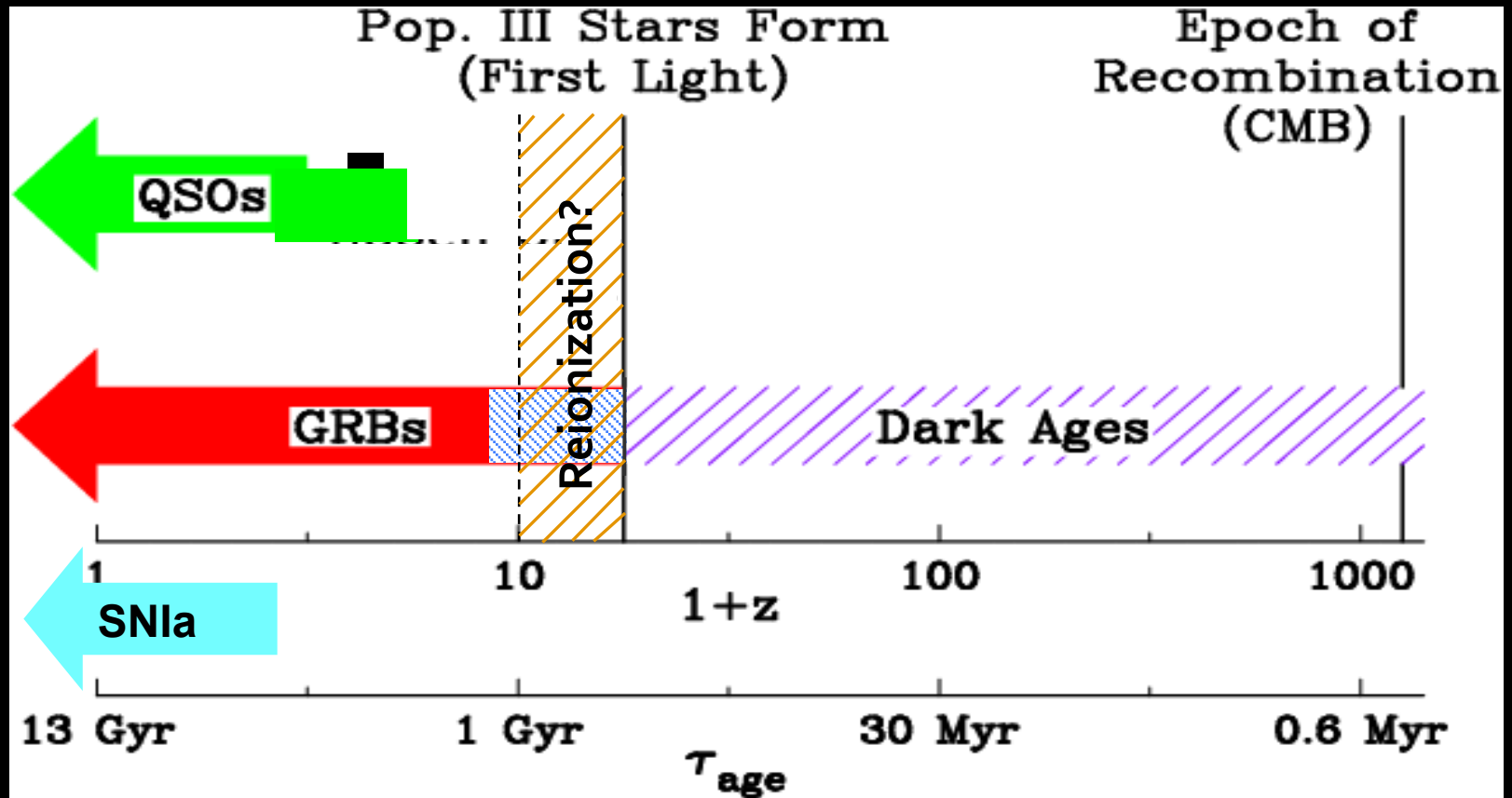
2) Theoretical picture: the standard model from its foundation to the latest debates

The standard model, progenitor, energy extraction mechanism, hydrodynamic of the fireball, radiative mechanism. Its development and the present issues.

3) Gamma Ray Bursts in the cosmological context: present status, issues and perspectives

Observational approach to the possibility of standardizing GRB energetics and use them as (complementary) standard candles to constrain the cosmological parameters.

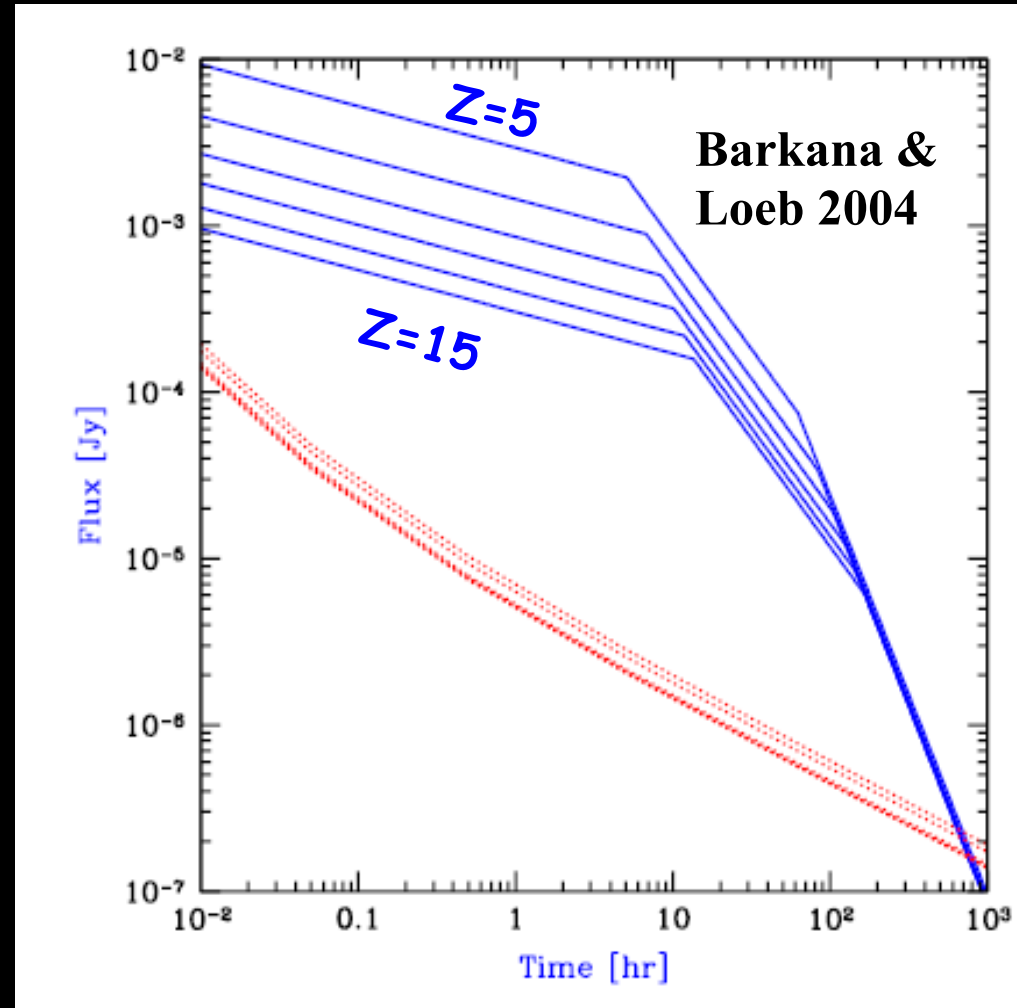
GRBs as a cosmological tool



- 1) ISM in hosts, IGM, epoch of reionization, CSFR, PopIII
- 2) Cosmological parameters

Advantages of GRBs...

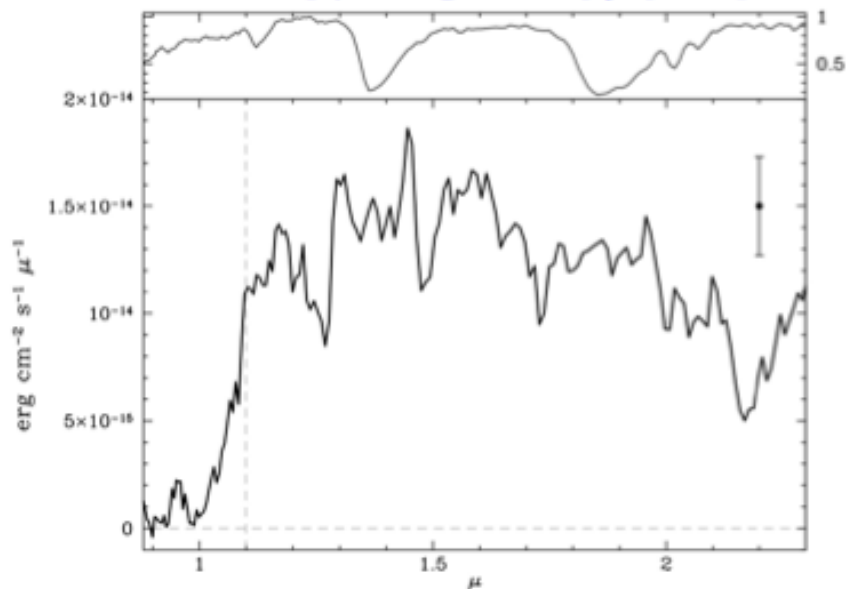
- 1) Time stretching + afterglow powerlaw decay
- 2) No proximity effects
- 3) “clean spectrum”
- 4) signposts the gal-beacons



High redshift GRBS

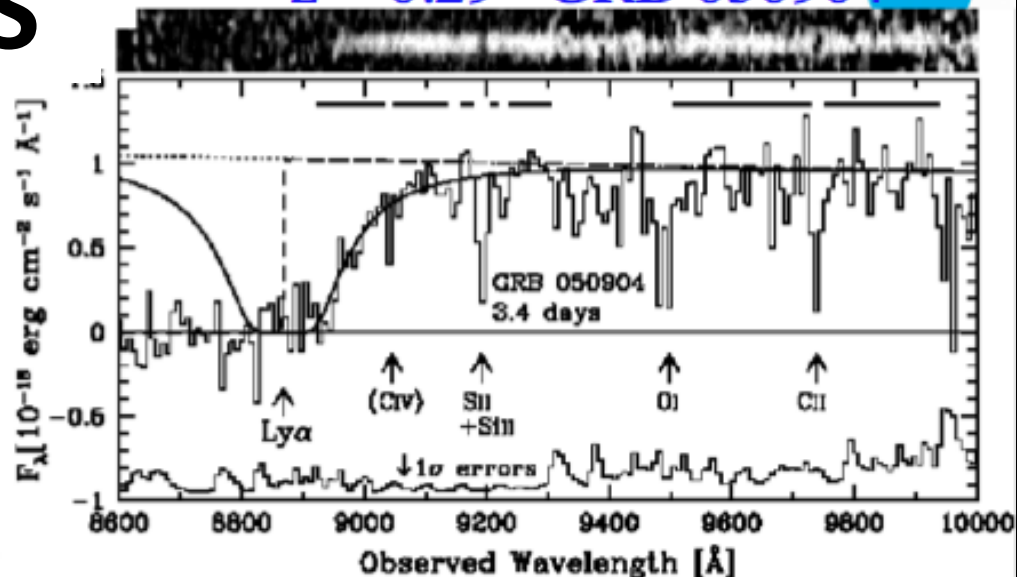
~ 7 are at
 $z > 5$

$z = 8.2$ GRB 090423



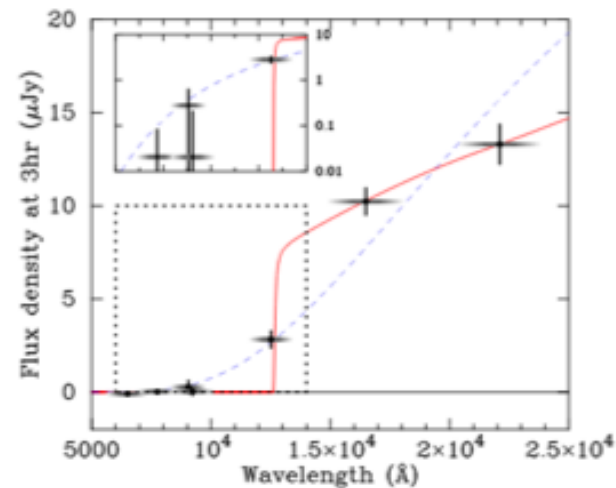
Salvaterra et al. 2009
Tanvir et al. 2009

$z = 6.29$ GRB 050904



Tagliaferri et al. 2005, Kawai et al. 2006

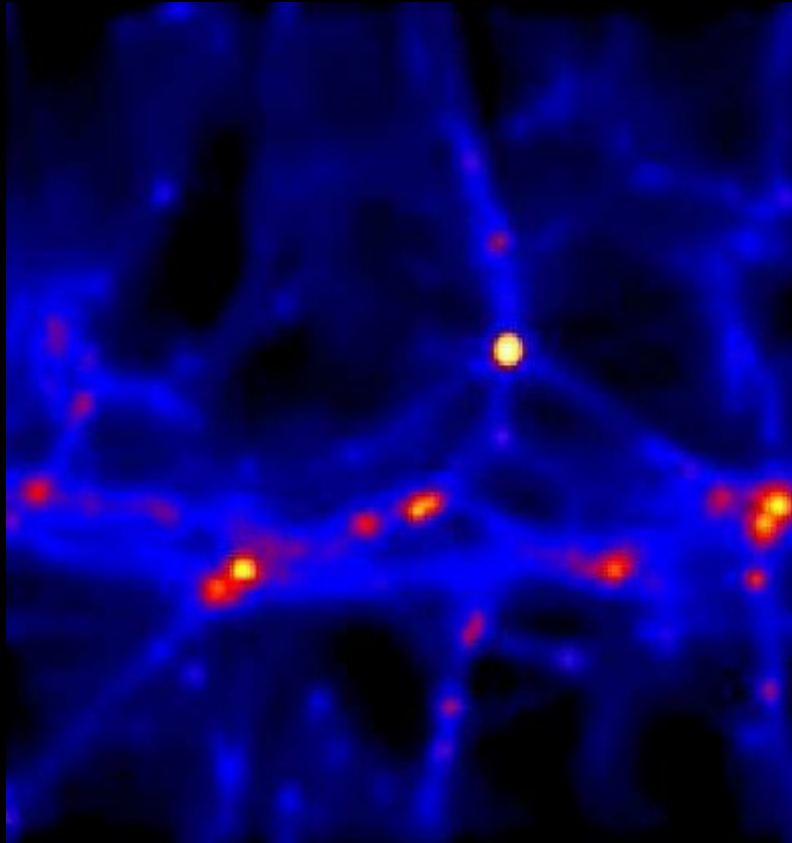
$z = 9.4$ GRB 090429B



Cucchiara et al. 2011

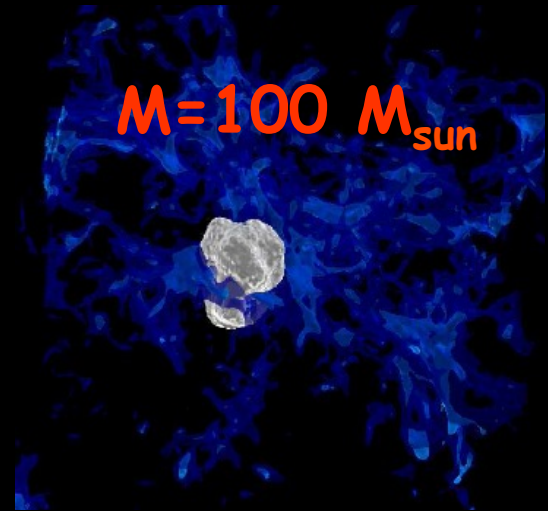
Population III stars

$Z=0$

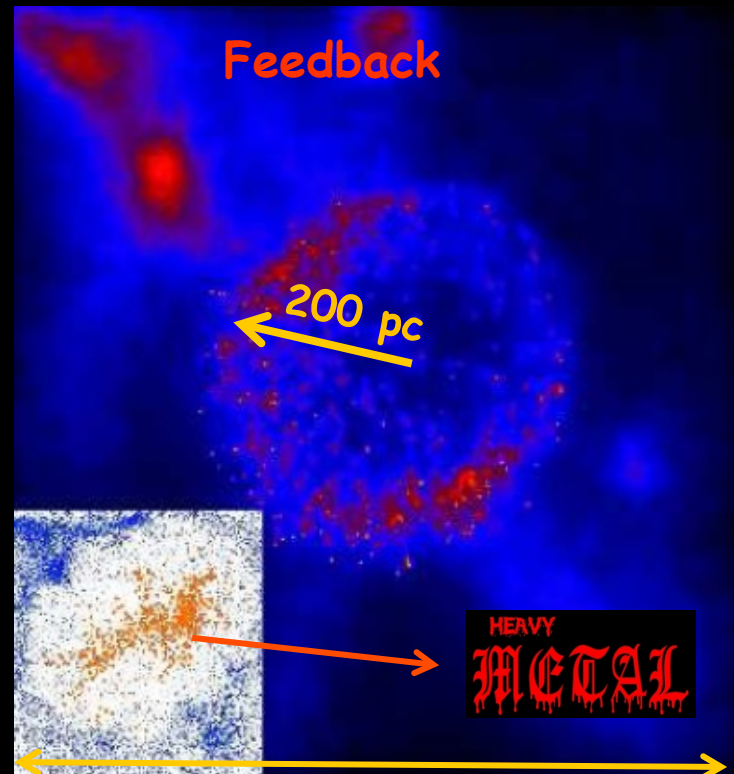


10 Kpc

Broom & Loeb 2003; Loeb & Broom 2004



$M=100 M_{\text{sun}}$



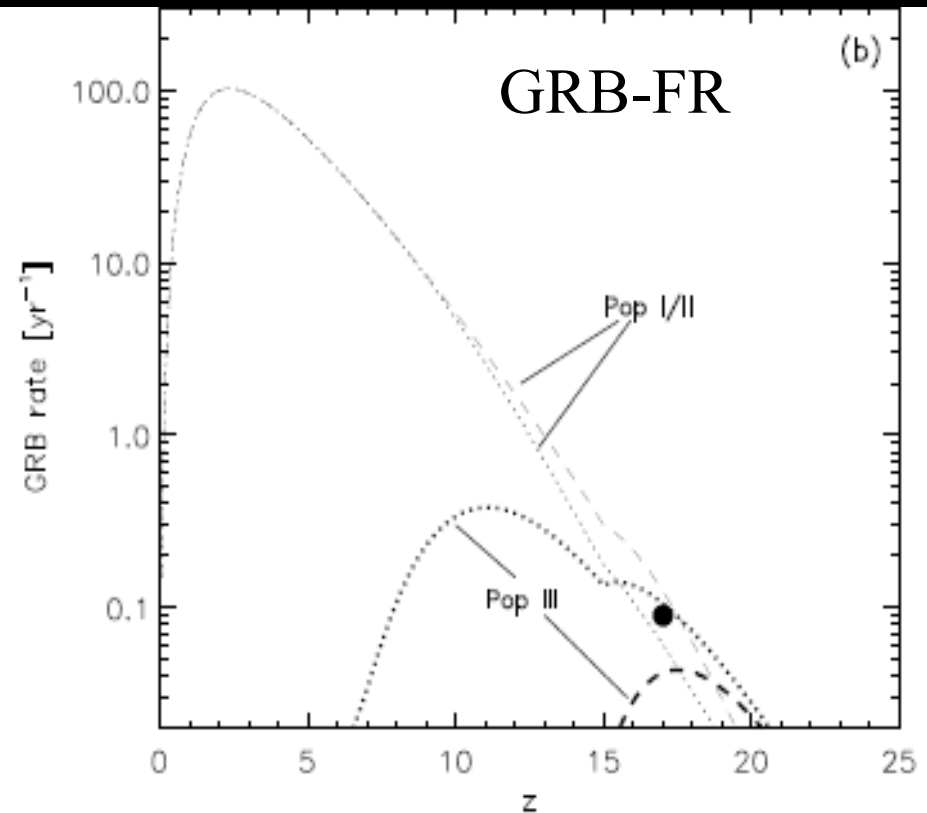
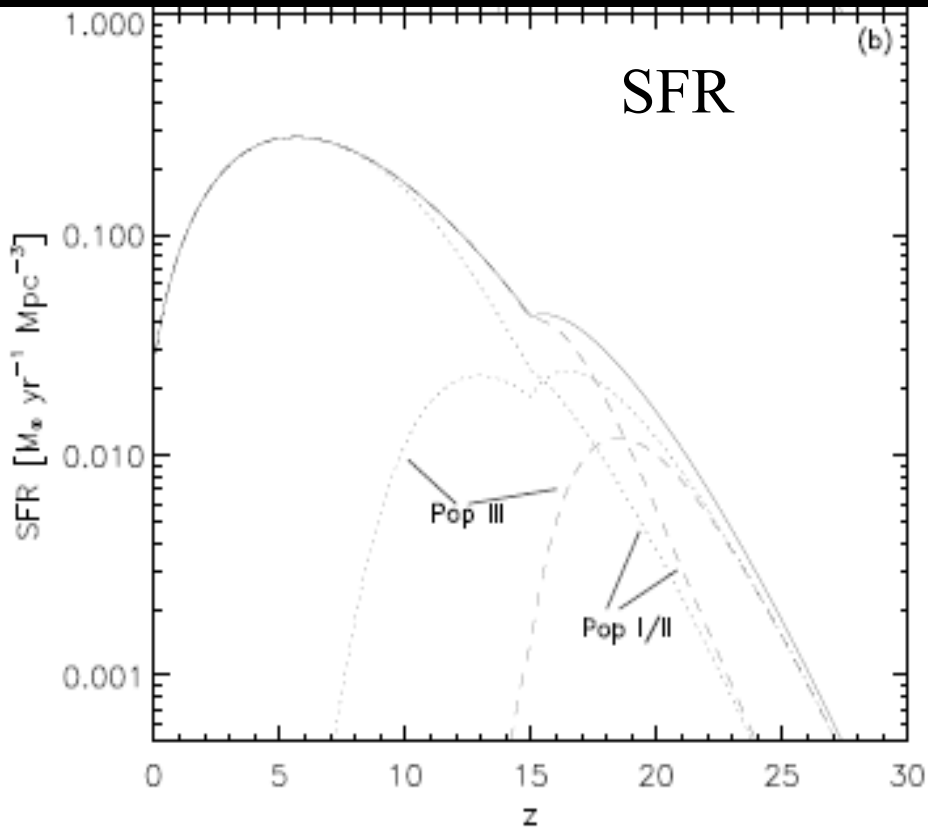
Feedback

200 pc

HEAVY
METAL

1 Kpc

GRB from Pop-III

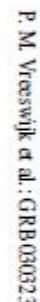


Very high z GRBs

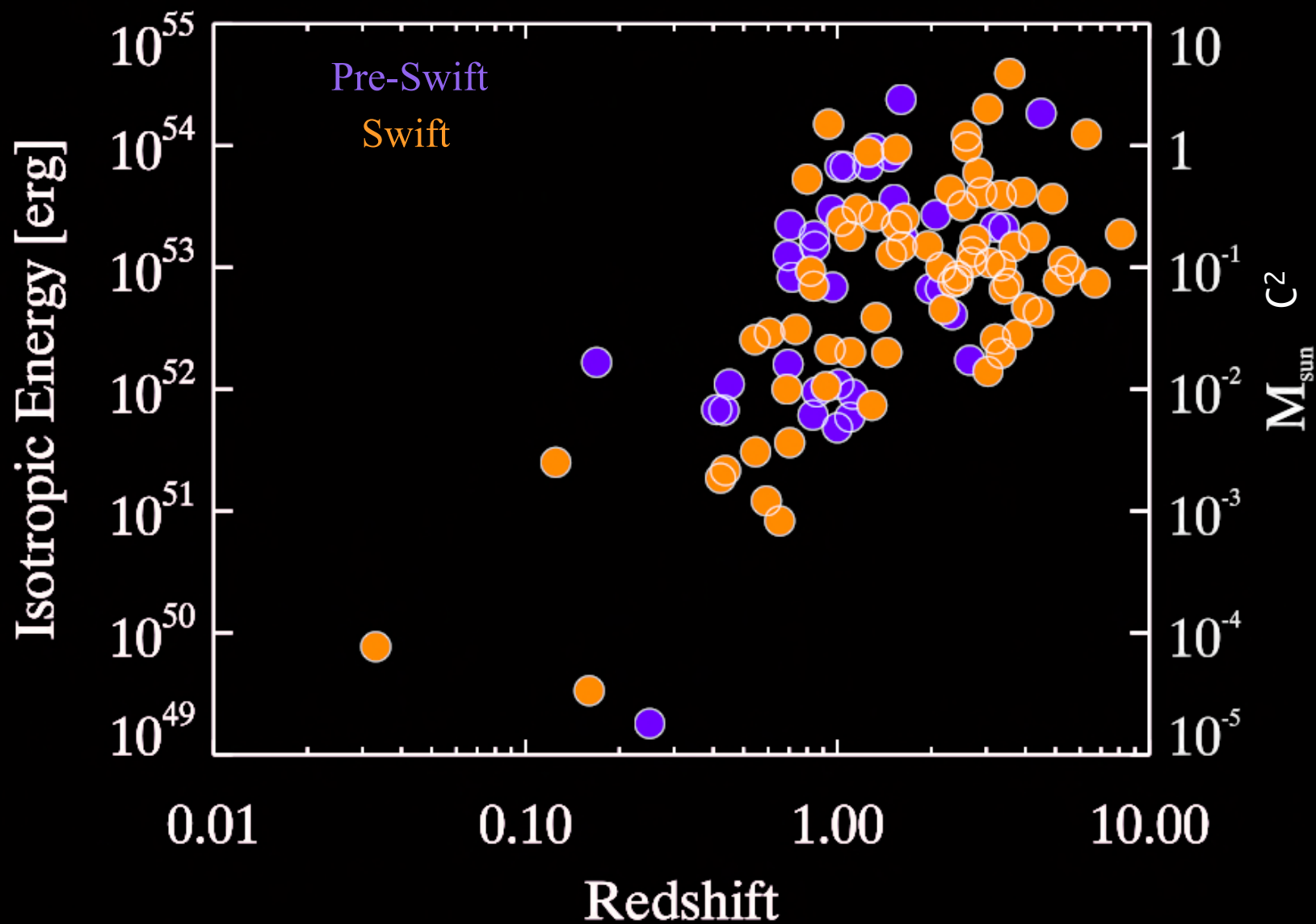


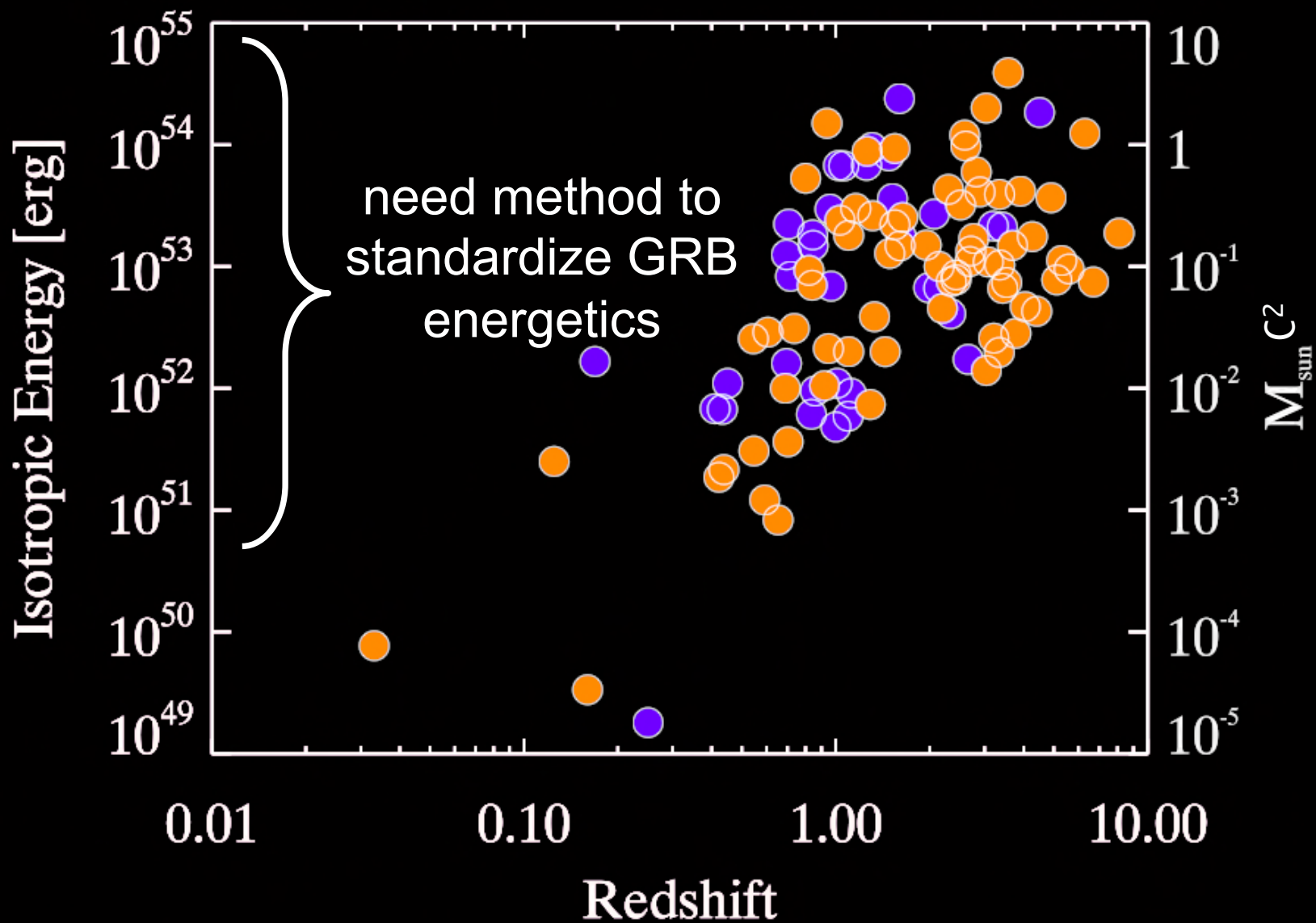
Pop III

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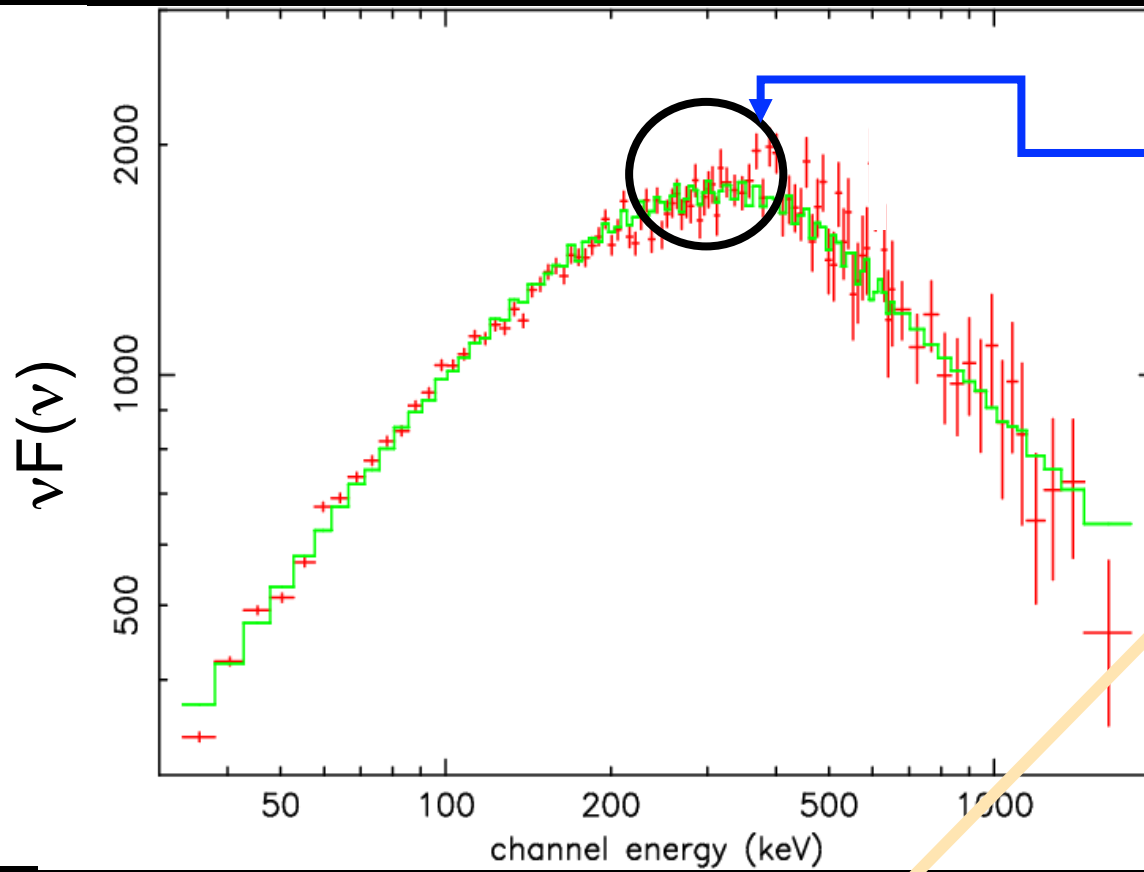


GRBs as standard candles





Prompt emission spectrum



GRB Peak Energy

E_{peak}

(i.e. where most of power comes out)

E_{iso}

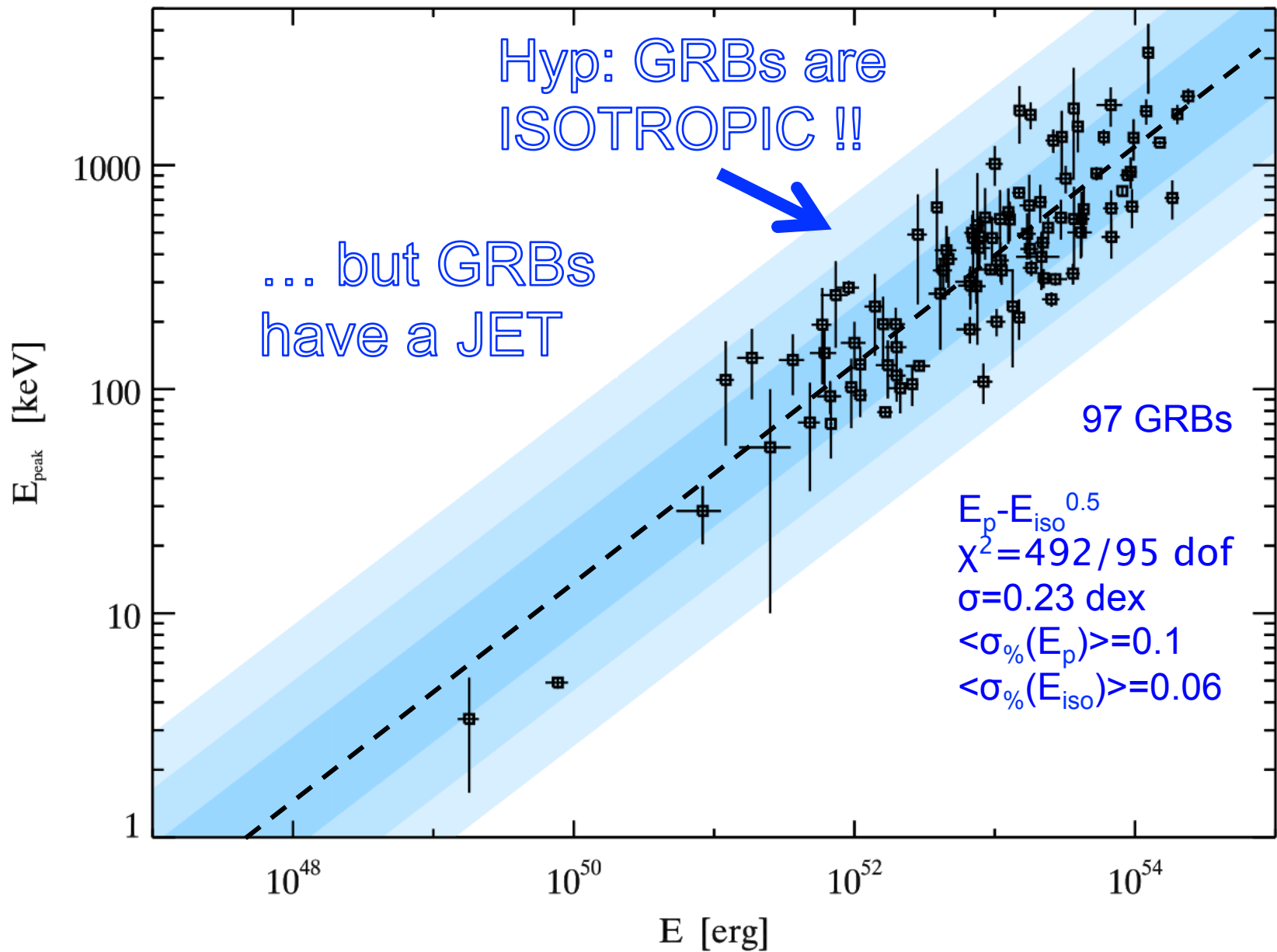
$$\frac{4 \pi d_L(z)^2}{1+z}$$

$\int$

$$F(E, z, \dots) dE$$

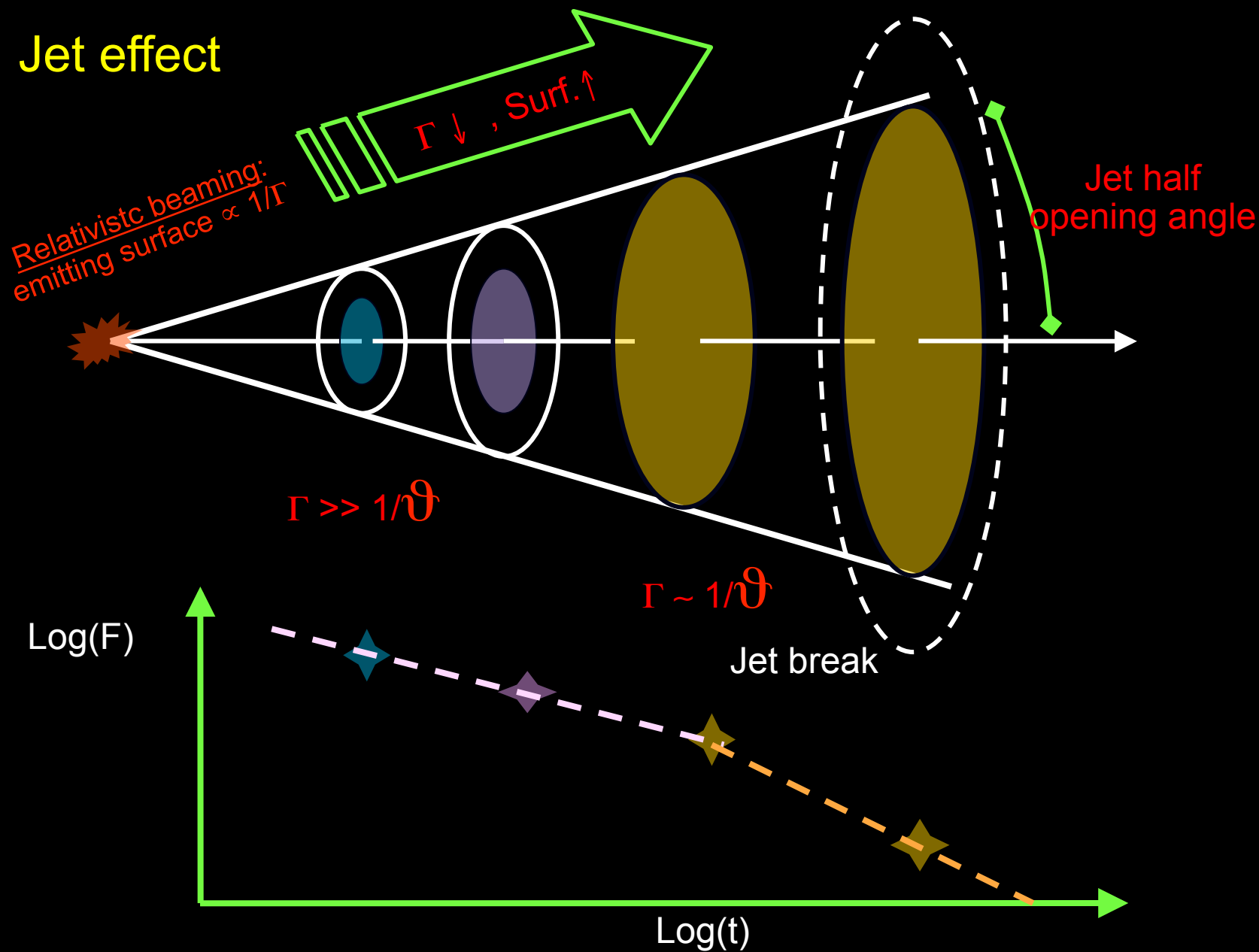
ΔE

e.g. Band et al. 1993; Preece et al. 2000; Ryde 2000, 2002; Ghirlanda et al. 2002; Kaneko et al. 2006

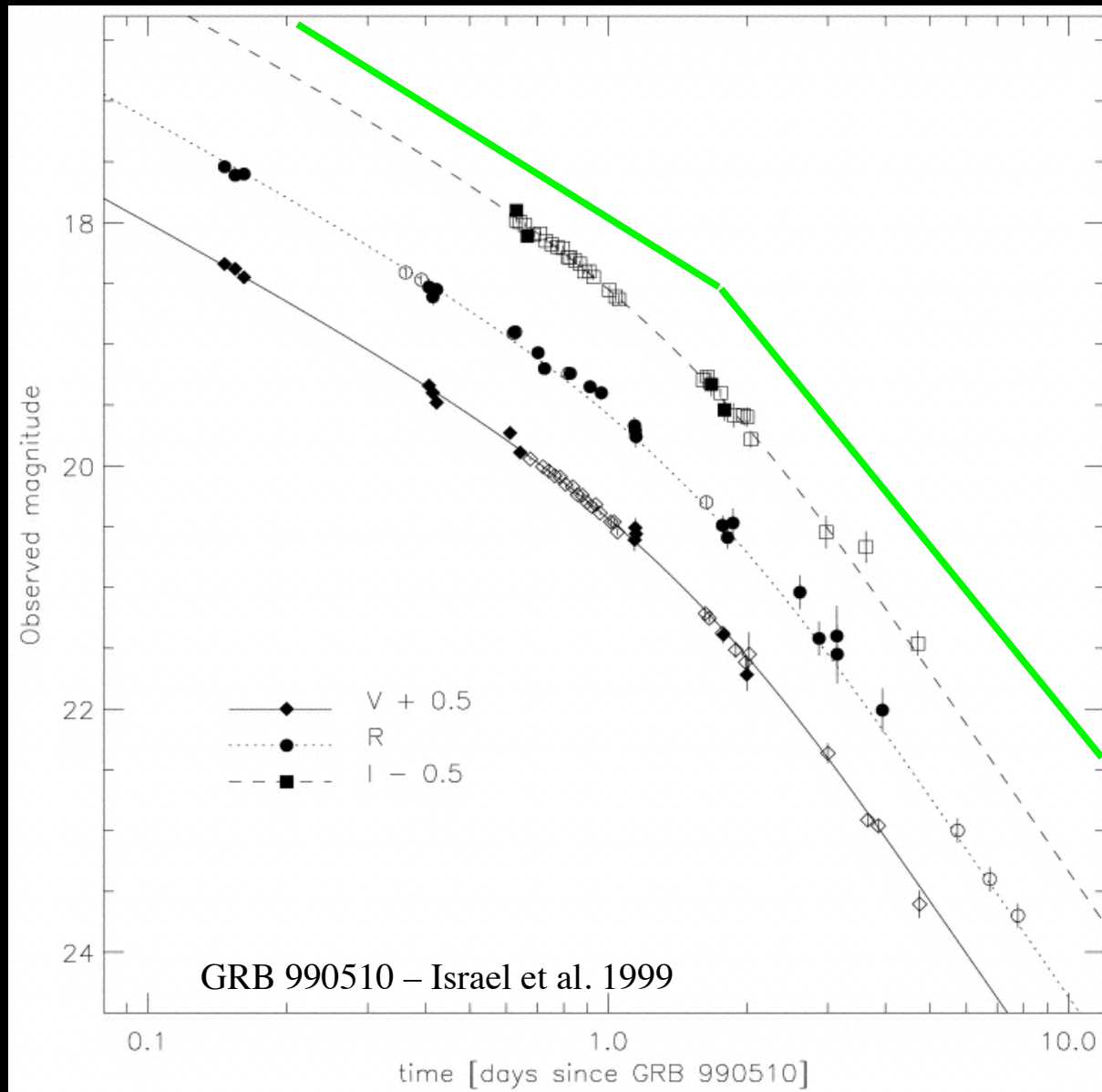


Amati et al. 2002; Lamb et al. 2003; Yonetoku et al. 2004; Ghirlanda et al. 2004,2005; Amati et al. 2008; Nava et al. 2008; Ghirlanda et al. 2009

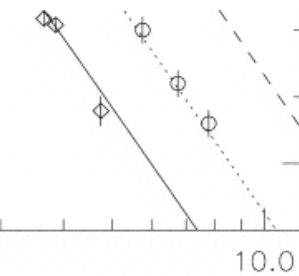
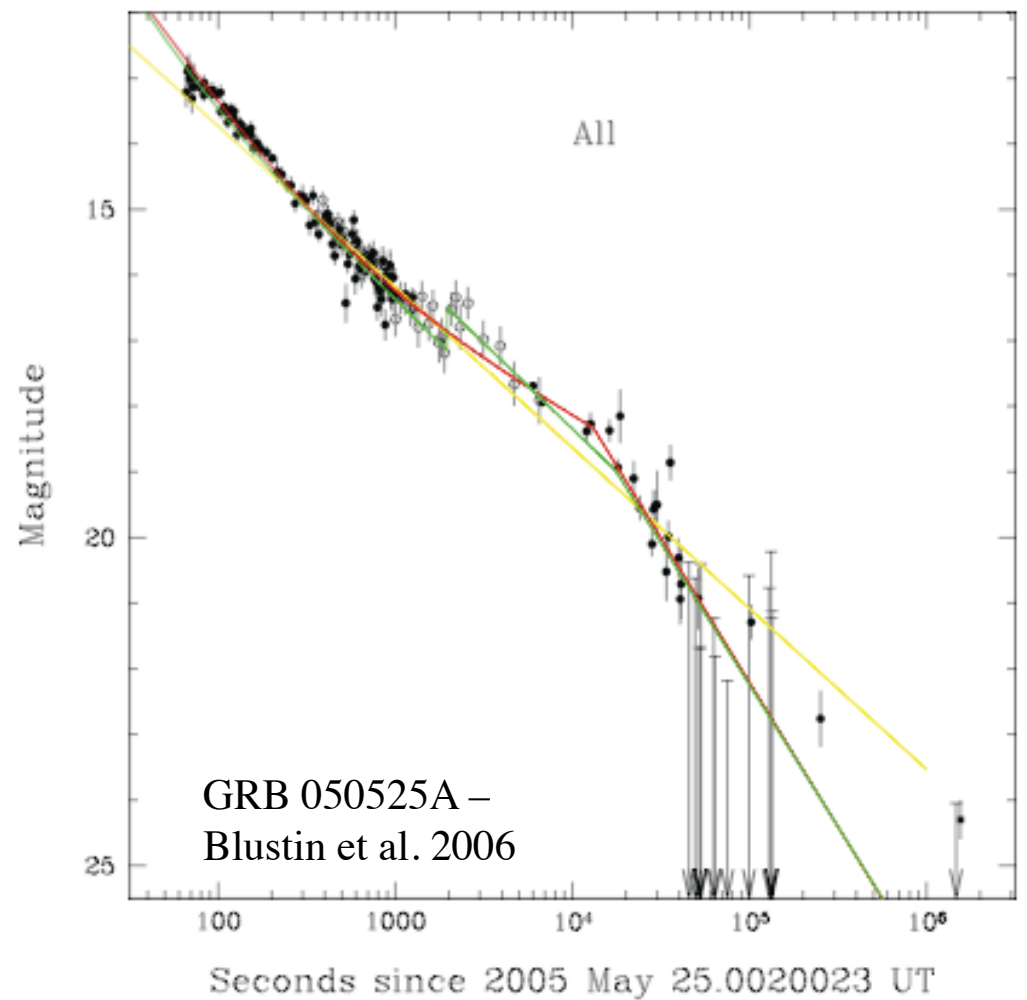
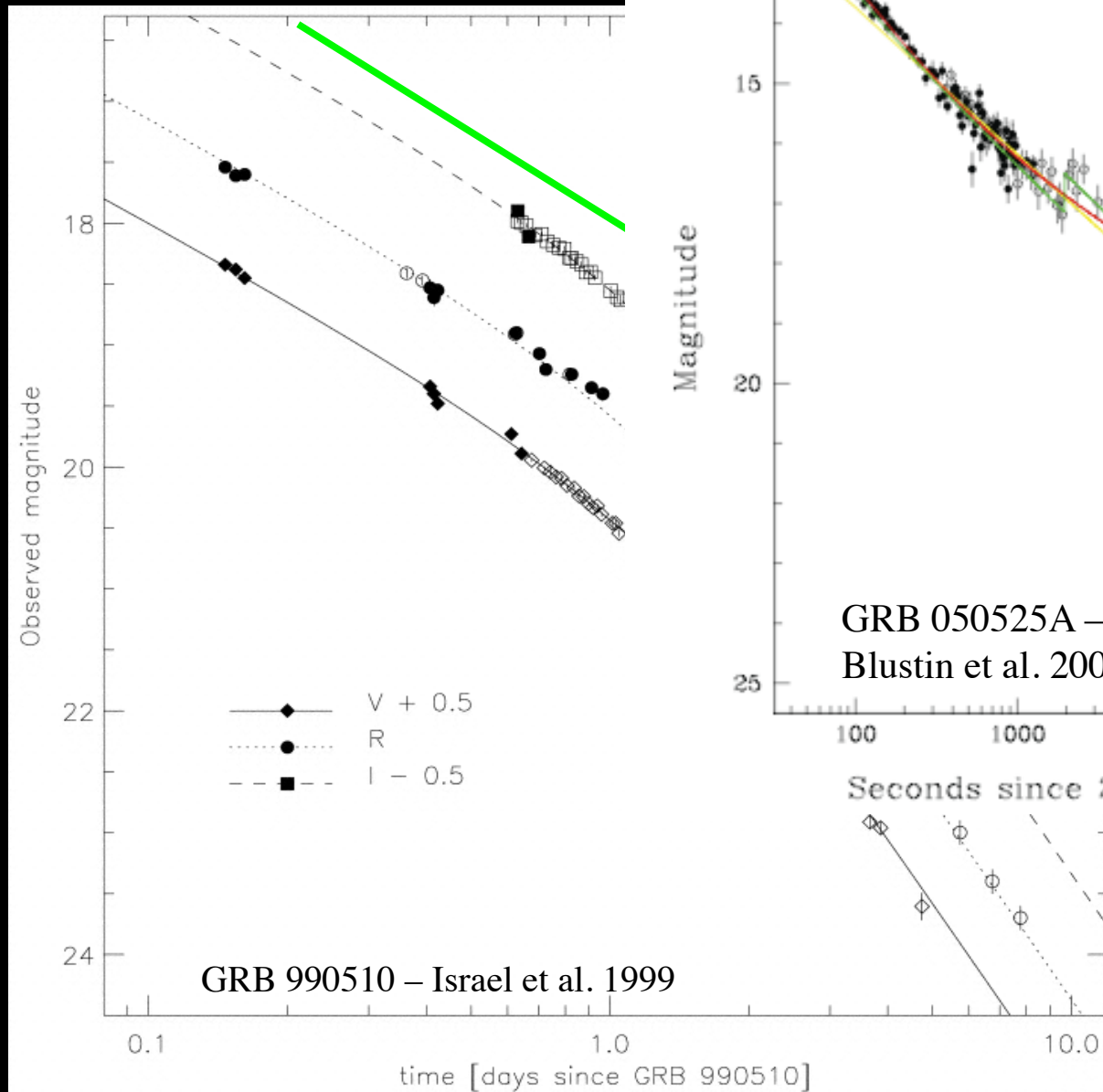
Jet effect



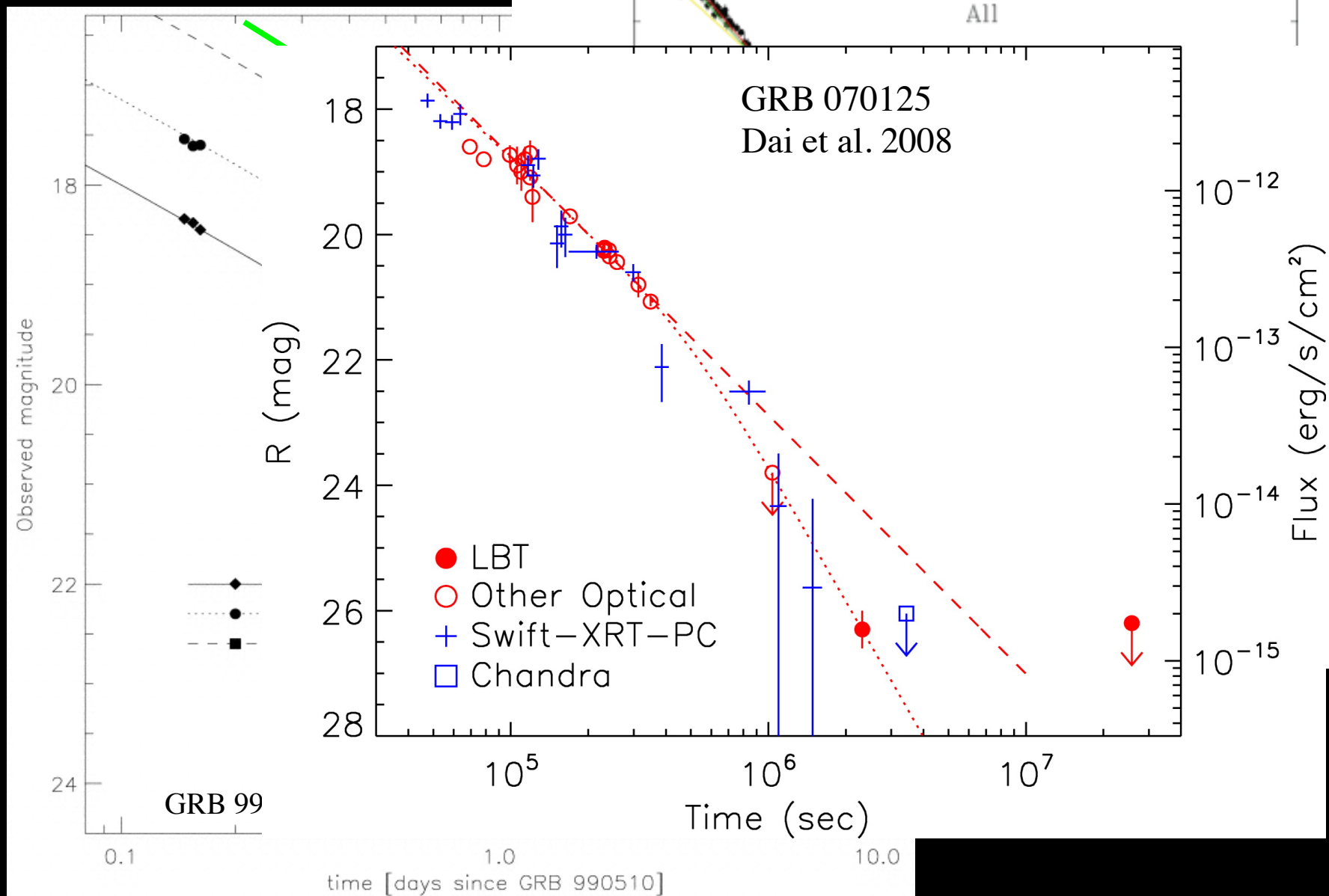
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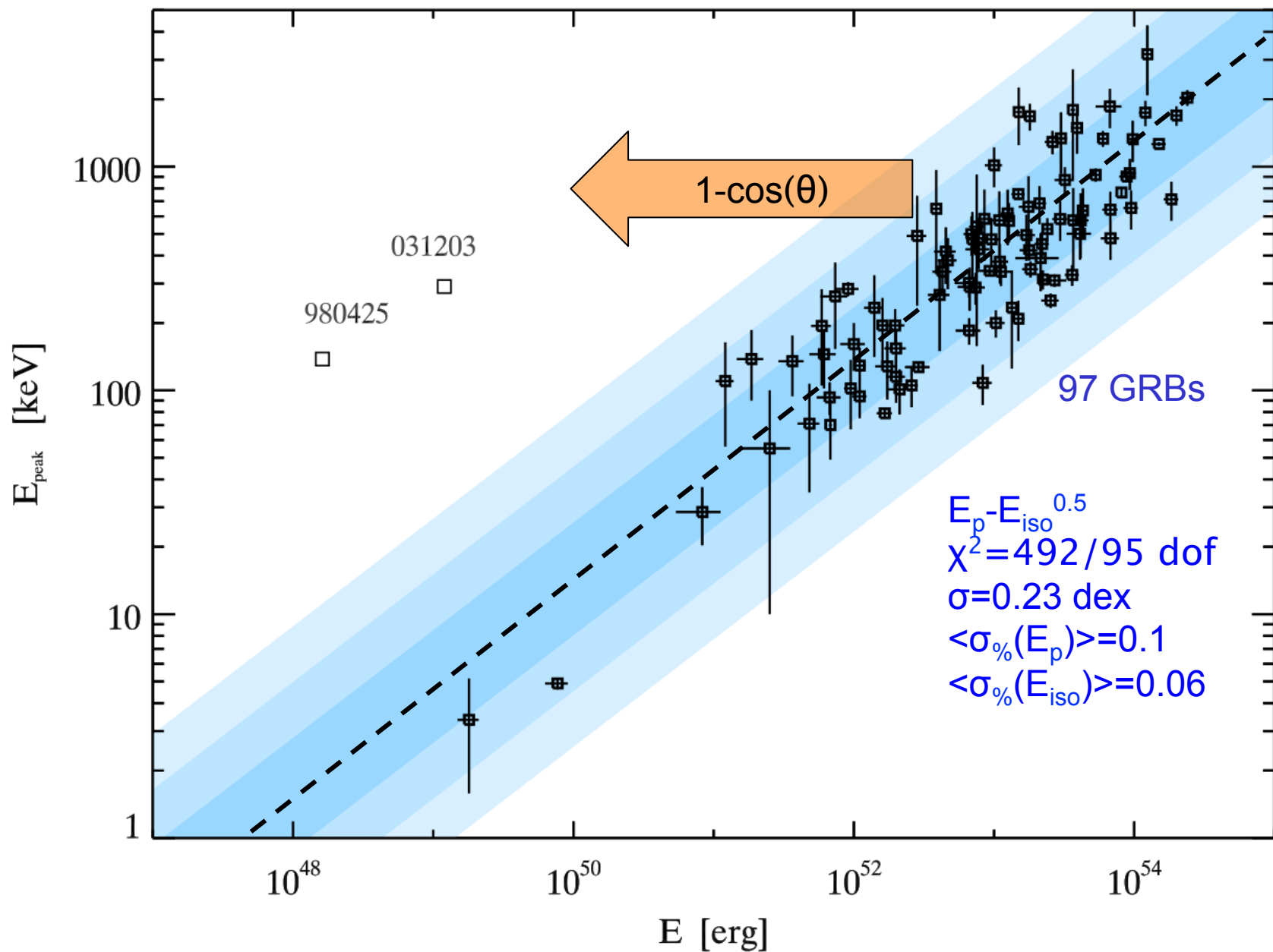


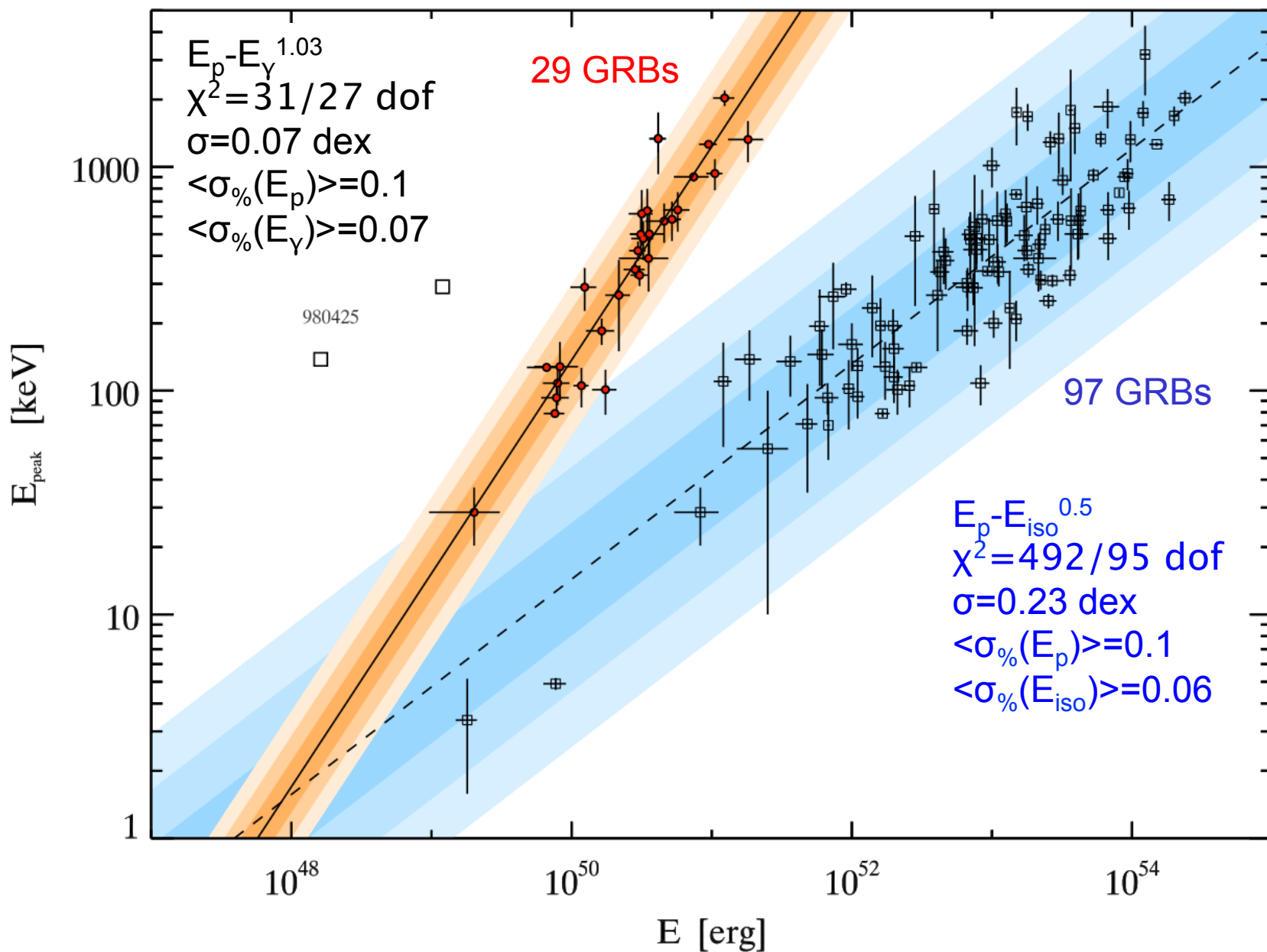
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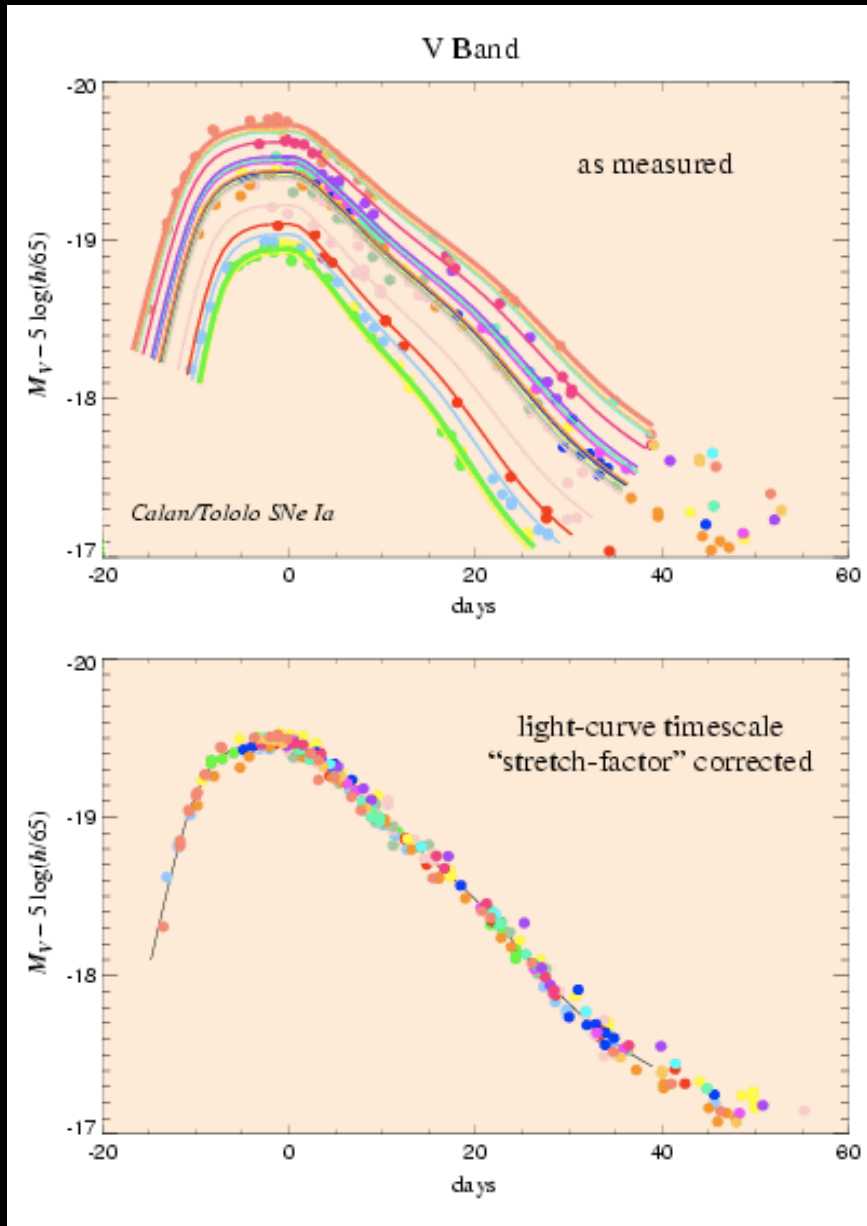
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Similar to Supernovae Ia

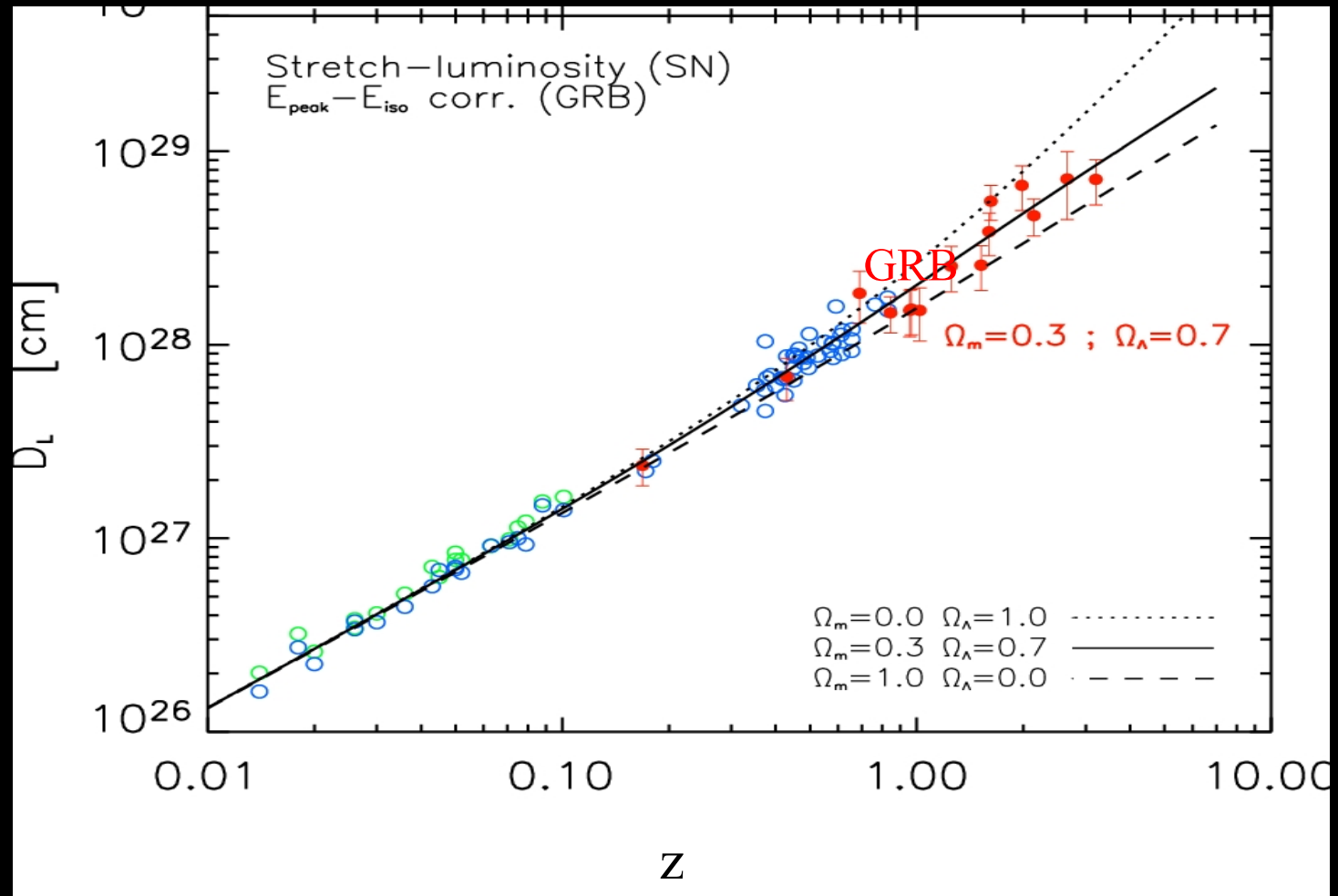


Perlmutter 1998

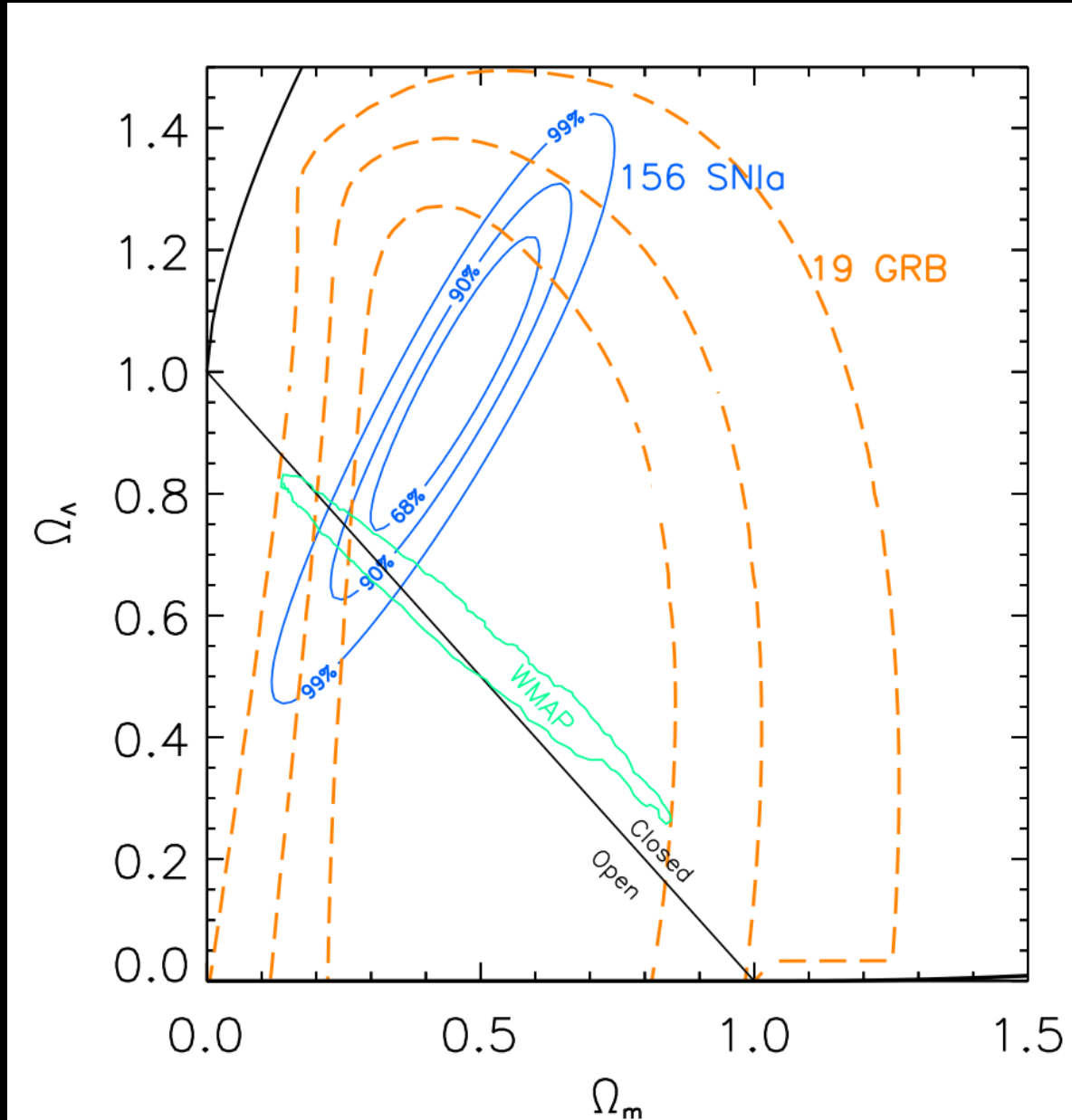
“Stretching
Luminosity”

- ✓ Tight correlation
- ✓ Calibration by low redshift events

The Hubble diagram

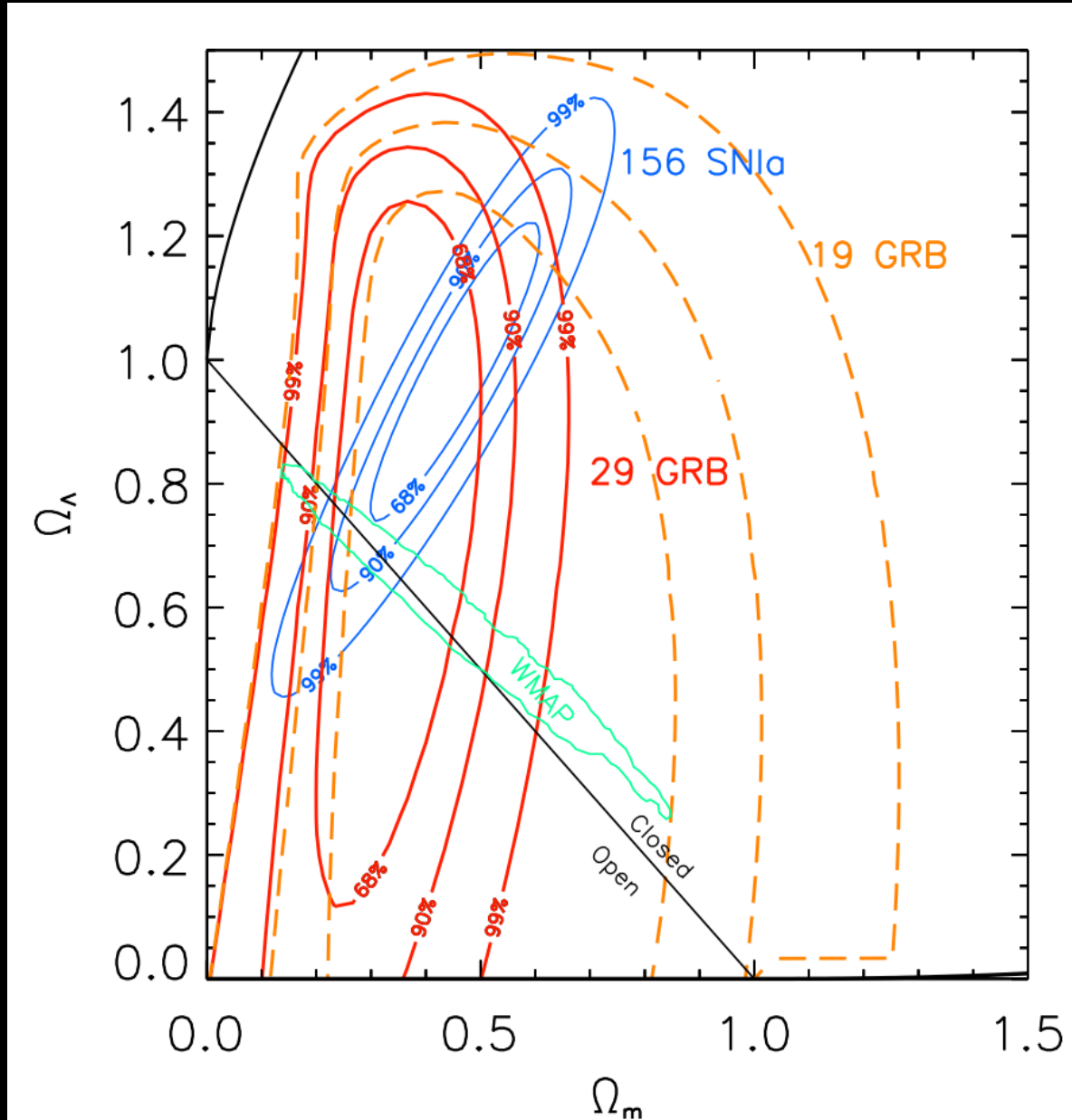


Constraints on $\Omega_M - \Omega_\Lambda$ with the $E_p - E_\gamma$ correlation



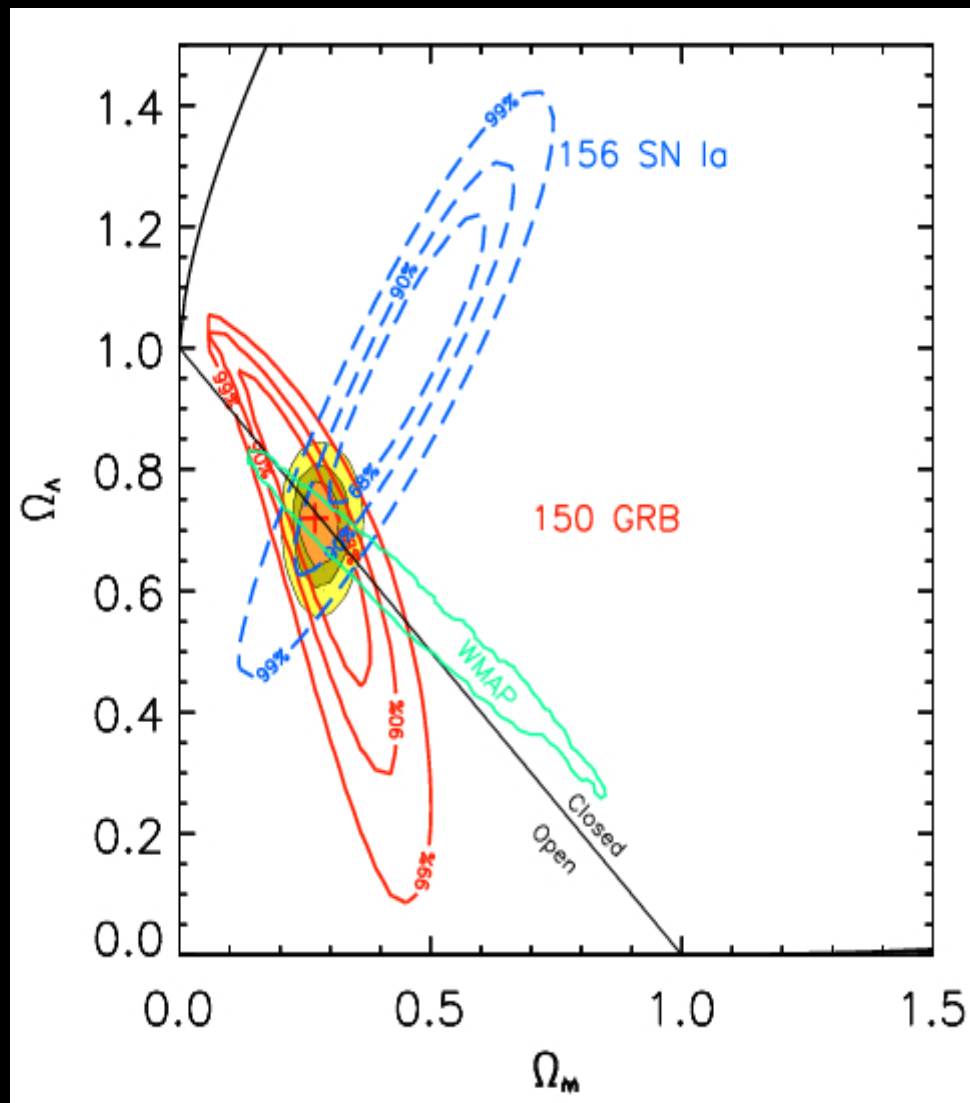
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GRBs

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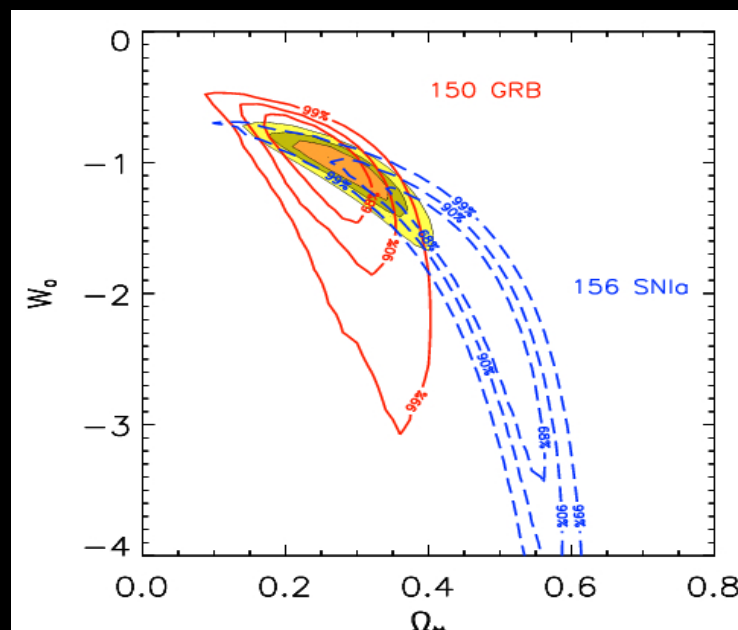
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GRBs



$\Omega_m - \Omega_\Lambda$ plane

Simulation of 150 GRBs

- GRBs follow the SFR
- $E_{\text{peak}} - E_{\text{iso}}$ relation
- $E_{\text{peak}} - E_\gamma$ relation



Dark Energy EOS ($p=w_0\rho c^2$)

Issues & critics raised about the Ep-Eg correlation and its cosmological use

1) Few Jet opening angles measured

2) The Ep-Eg correlation is model dependent

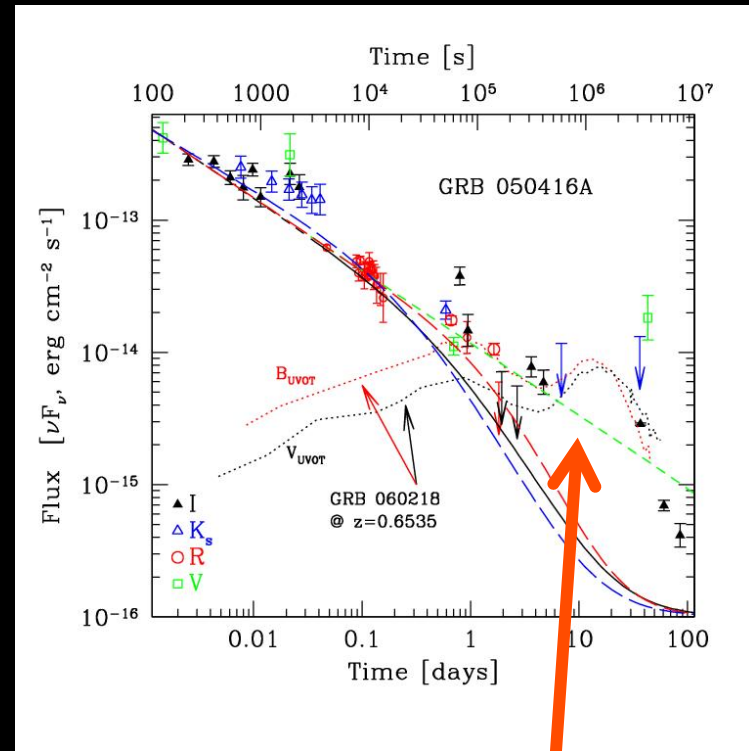
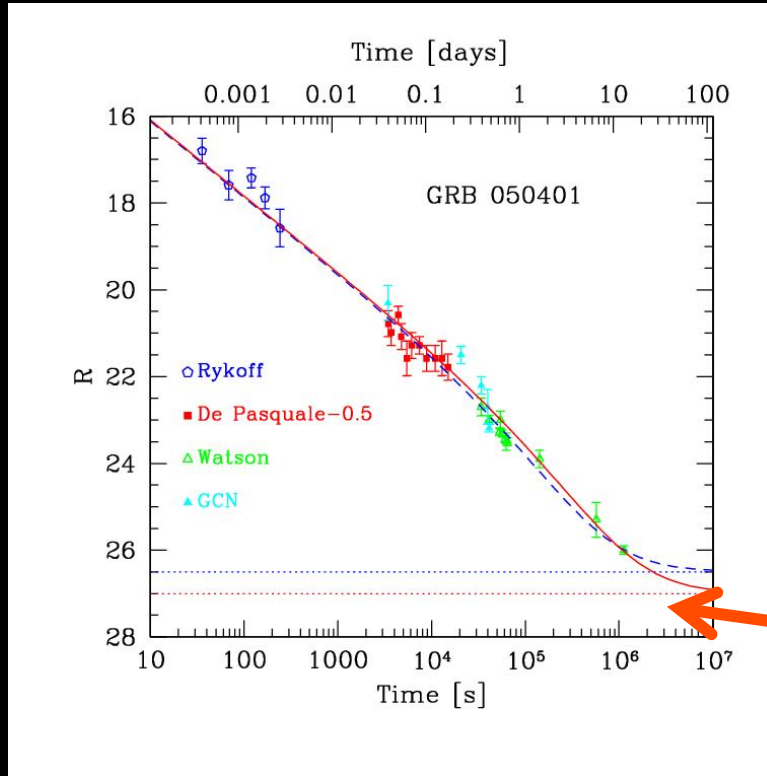
3) The correlation is not calibrated (no low z bursts)

4) Evolution with z

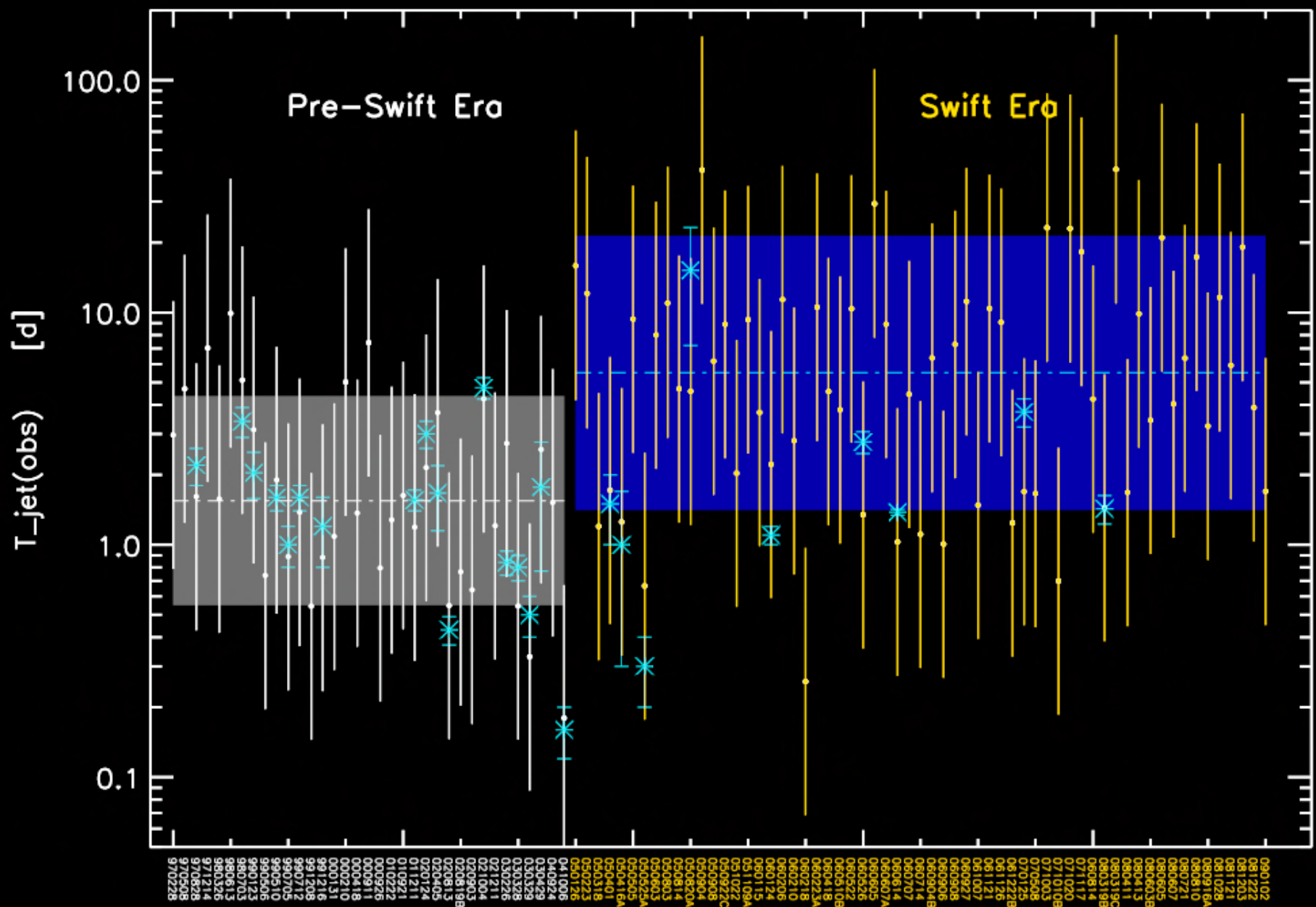
5) Outliers & selection effects

Few Jet opening angles $\rightarrow \sim 40$ GRBs (Ghirlanda et al. 2013)

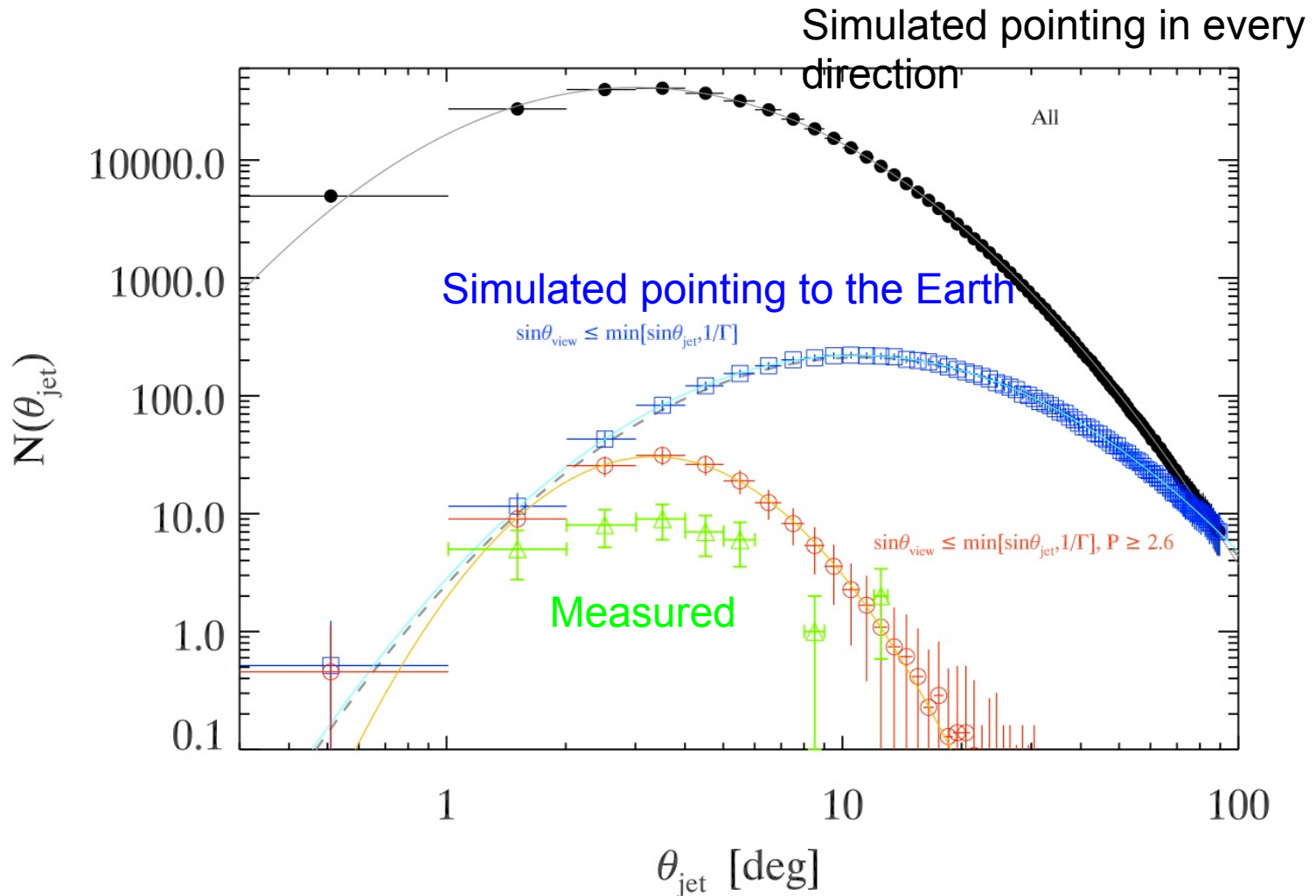
Delicate measure
[Ghirlanda et al. 2007]



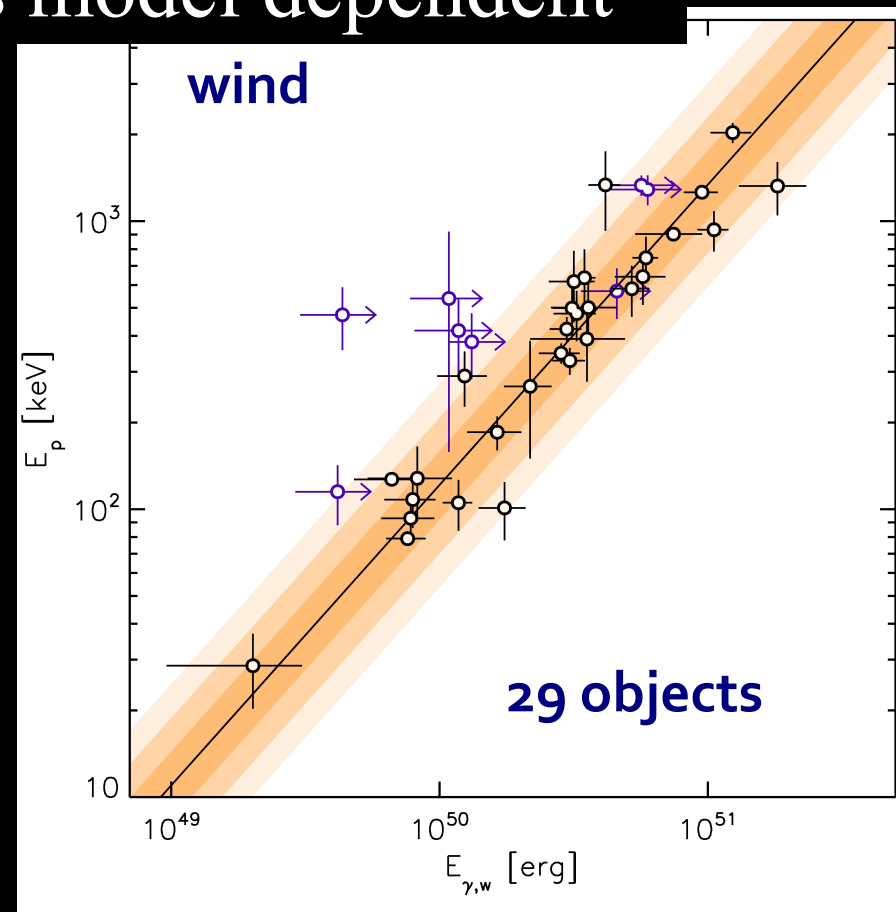
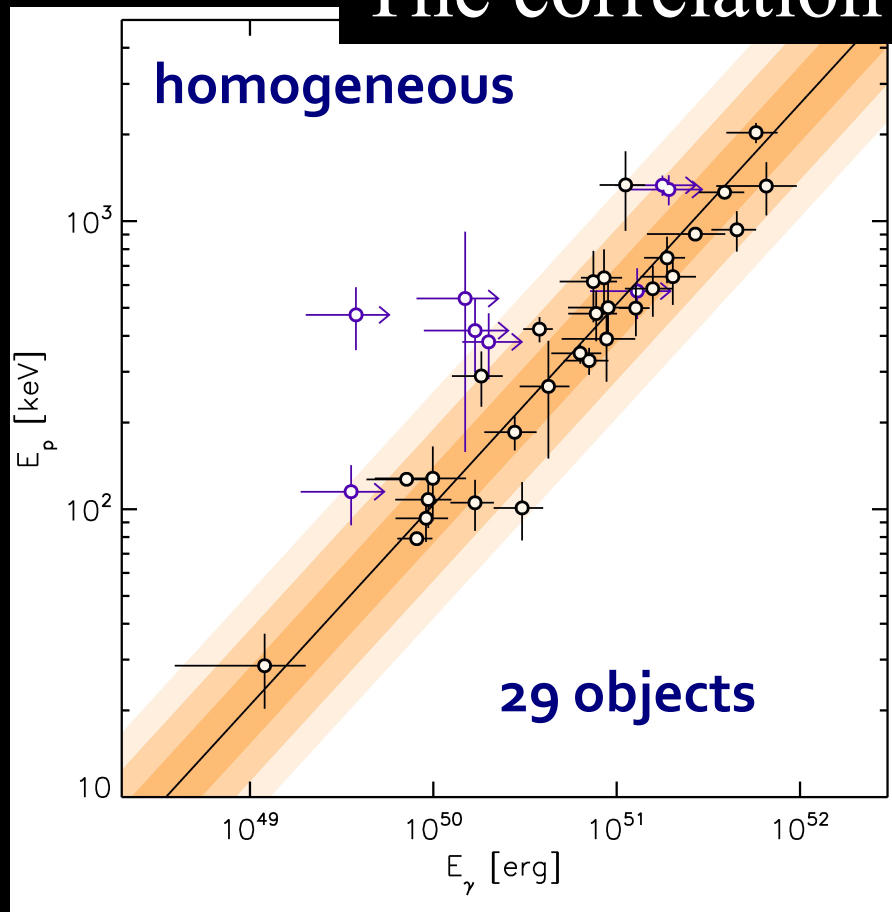
Account for Host and SN
Need spend late time Telescope time
Optical better than X-ray



Distribution of jet opening angles



The correlation is model dependent



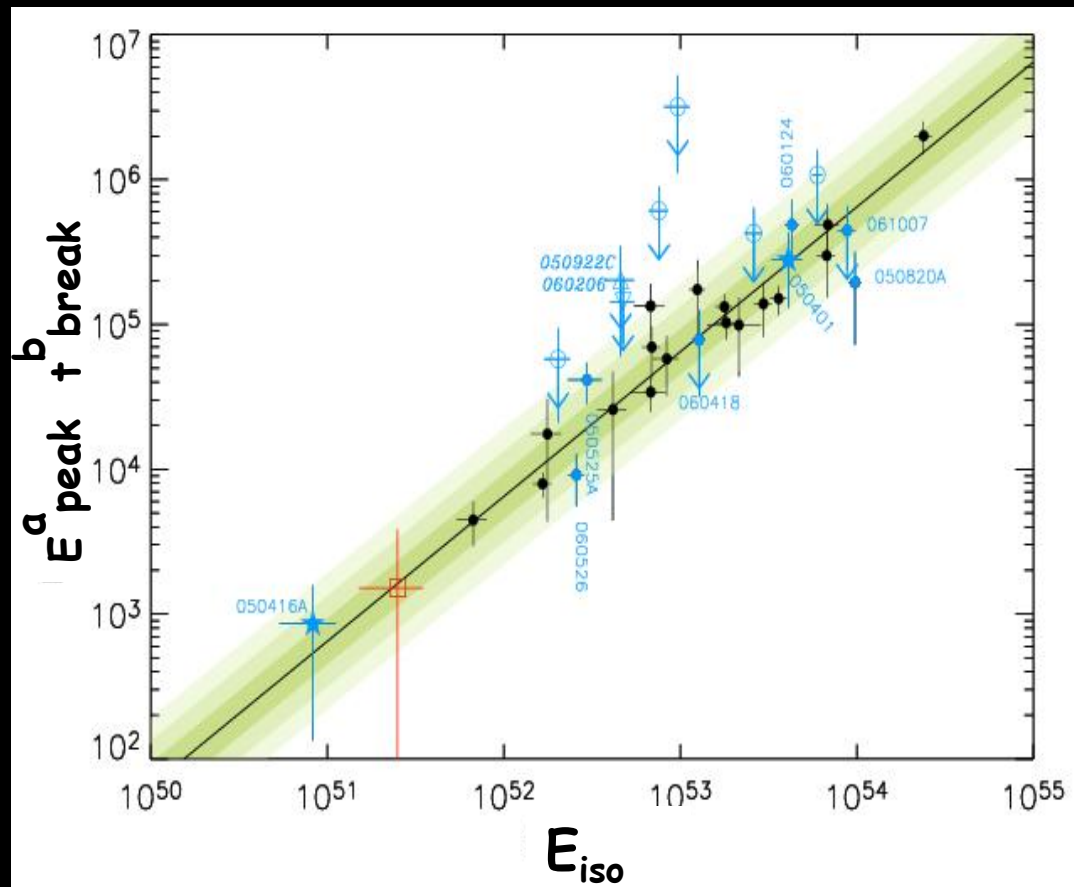
Ghirlanda et al. 2004, 2007, Nava et al., 2006

- slope = 0.70 ± 0.04
- scatter (1σ) = 0.11 dex
- $\chi^2_{\text{red}} \sim 1.5$ (27 dof)

- slope = 1.04 ± 0.05
- scatter (1σ) = 0.09 dex
- $\chi^2_{\text{red}} \sim 1.4$ (27 dof)

Liang & Zhang 2005

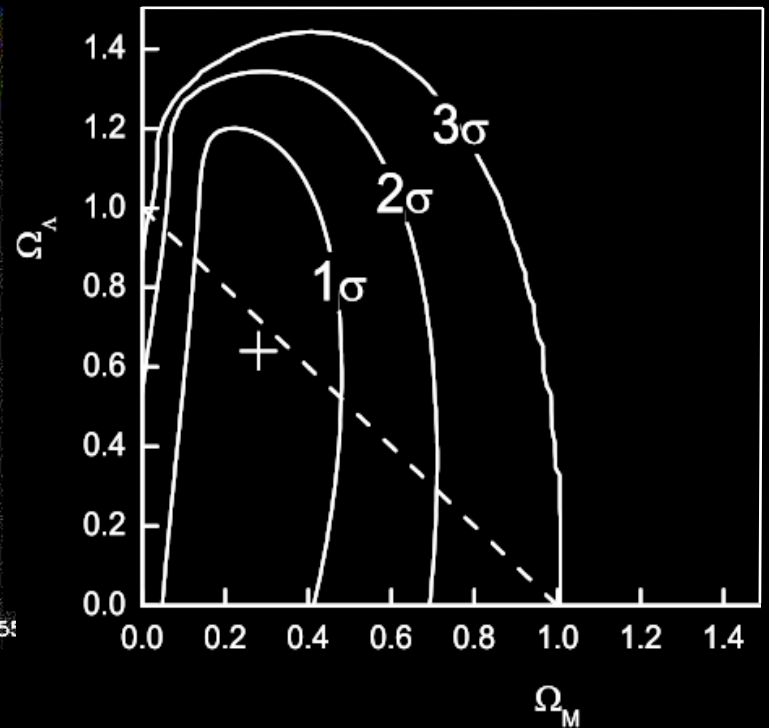
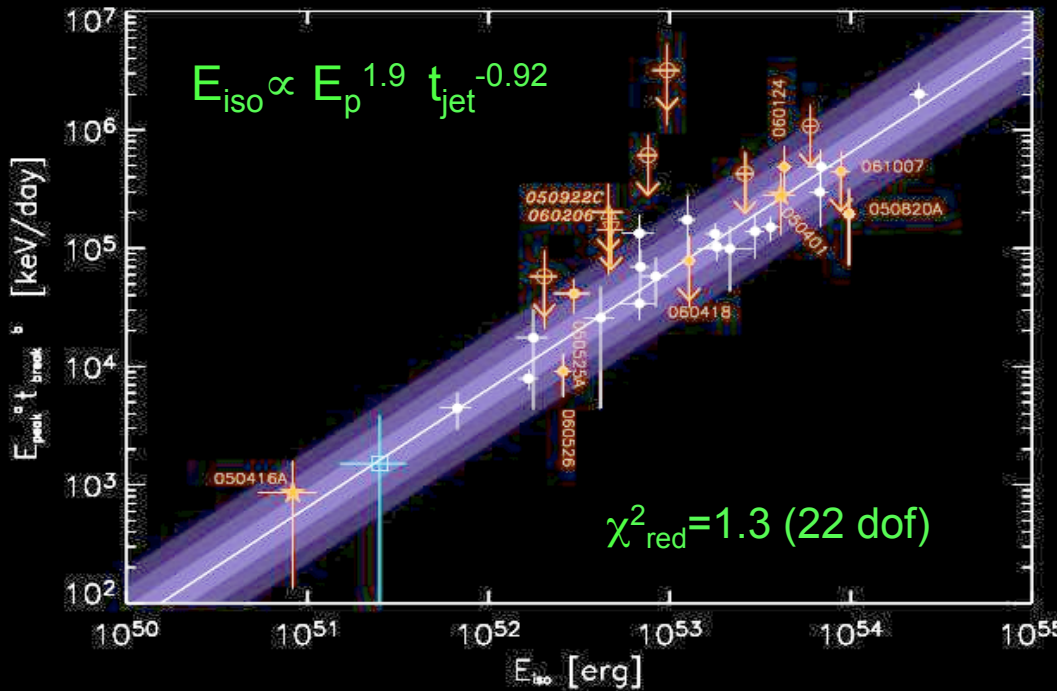
3-parameter correlation

$$E_{\text{peak}} - E_{\text{iso}} - t_{\text{break}}$$


➤ Correlation ($E_p - E_\gamma$) is model dependent

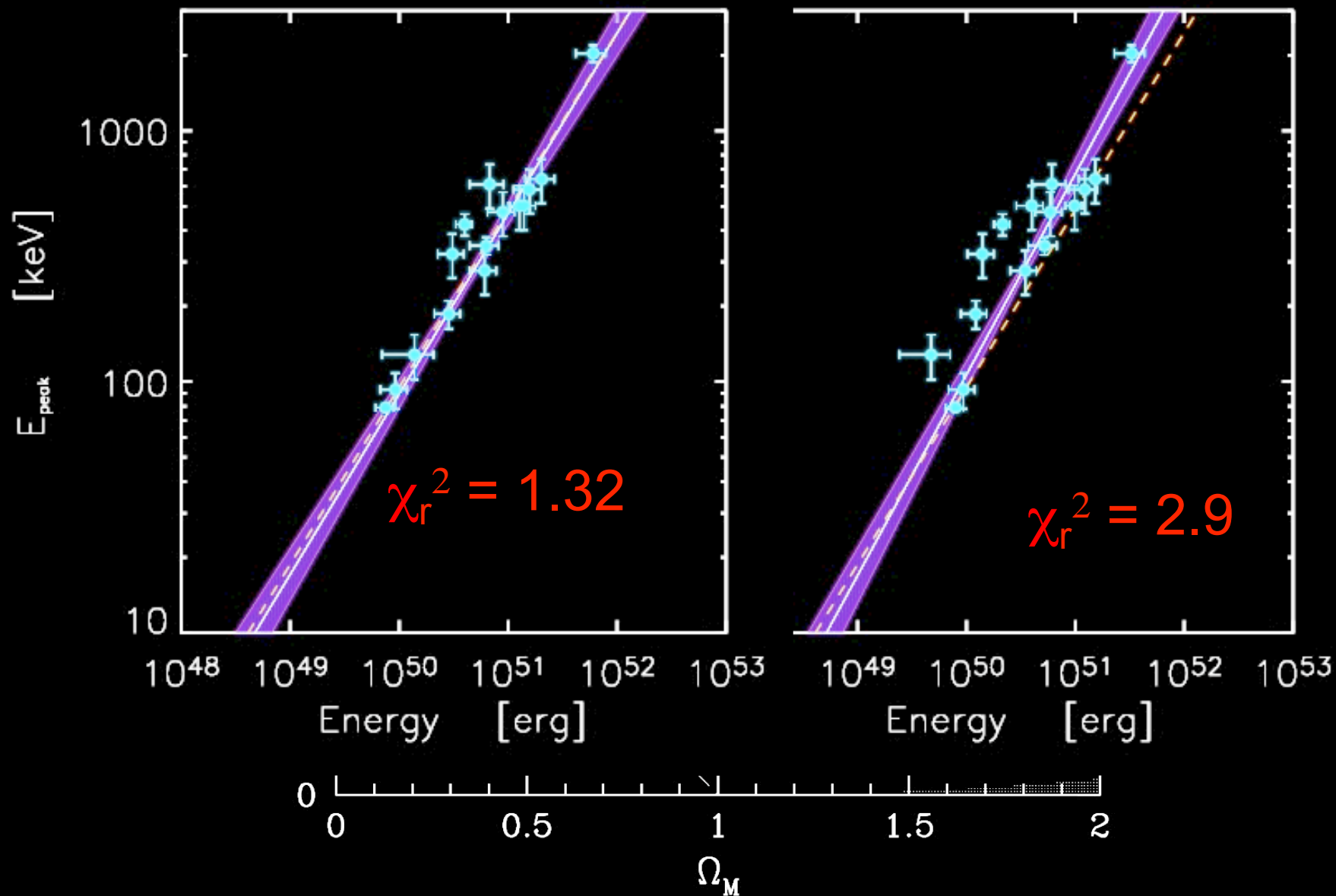
➤ Correlation $E_{\text{iso}} - E_p - t_{\text{break}}$ (Liang & Zhang 2005)

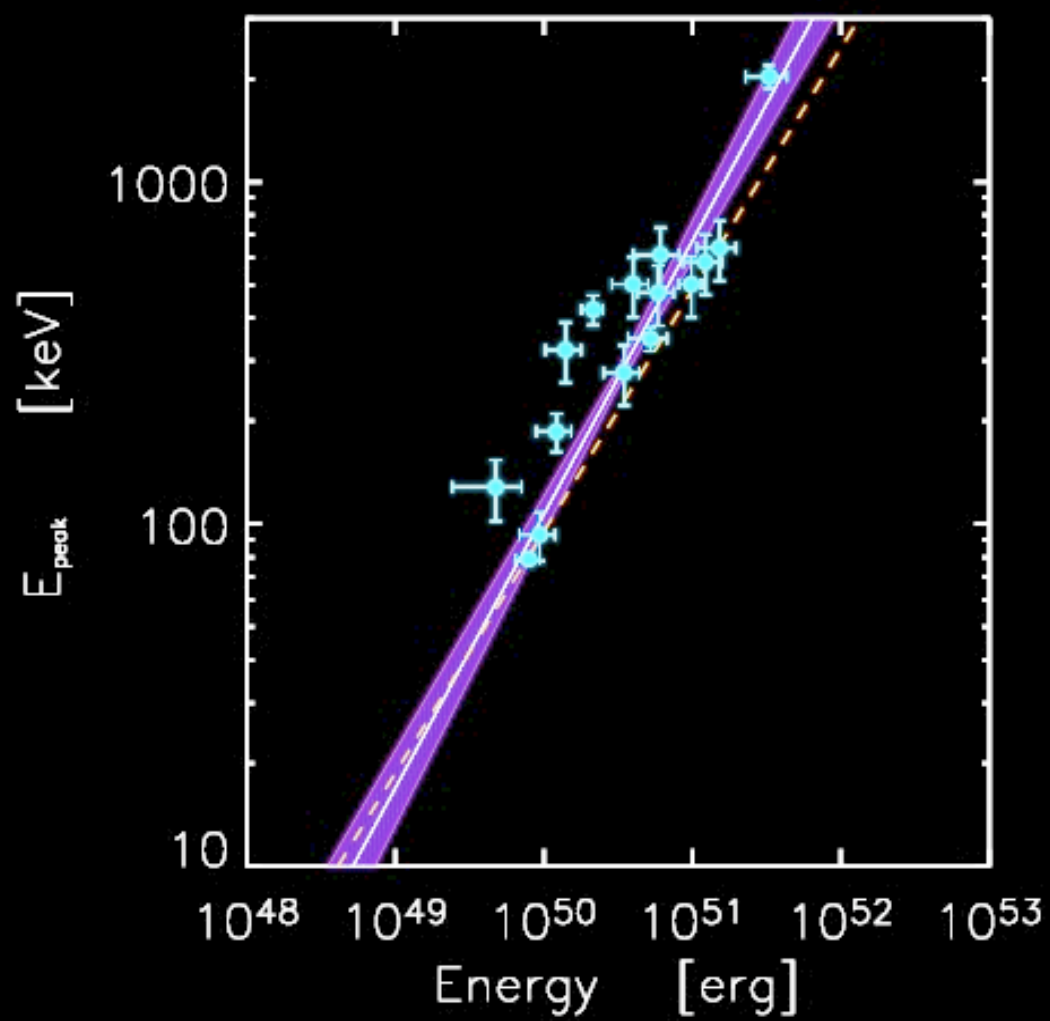
Model independent



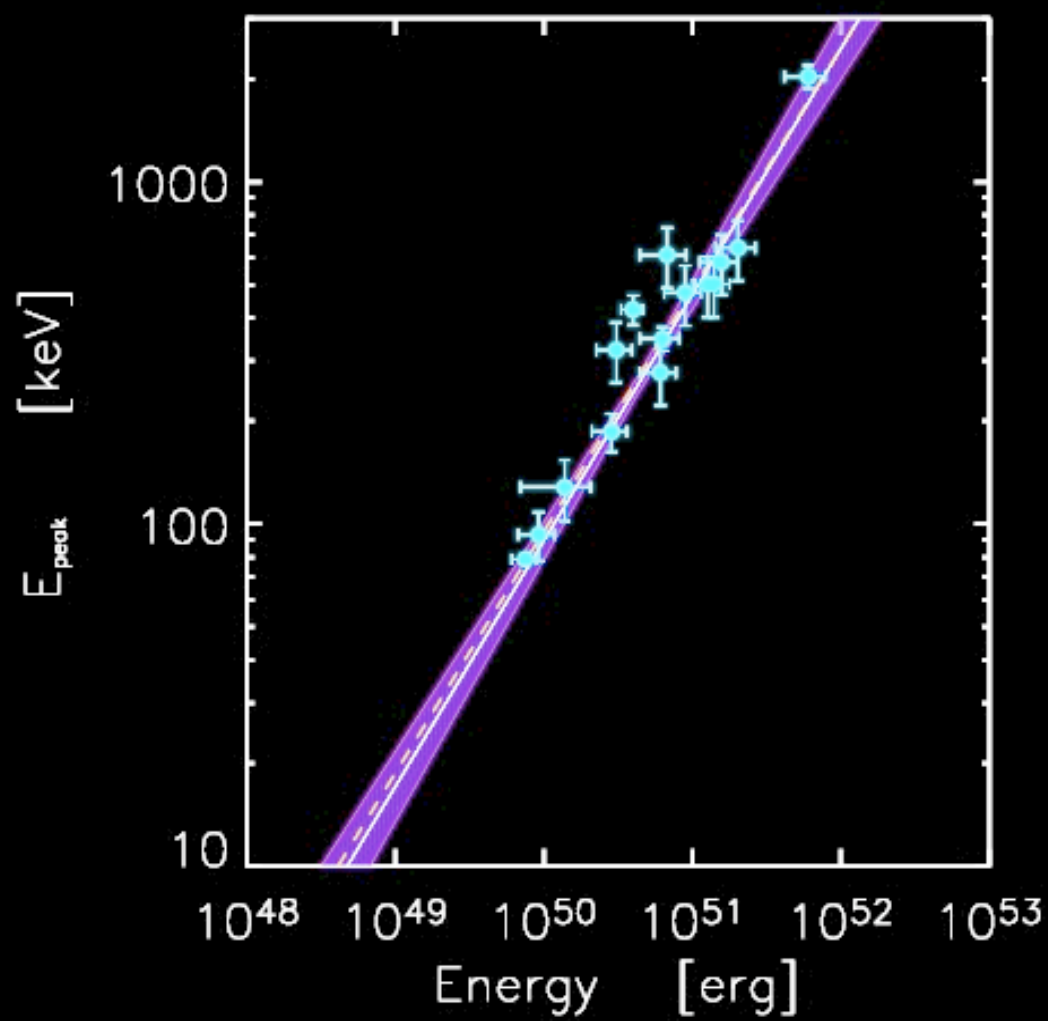
$\Omega_\Lambda - \Omega_M$ plane

The correlation is not calibrated



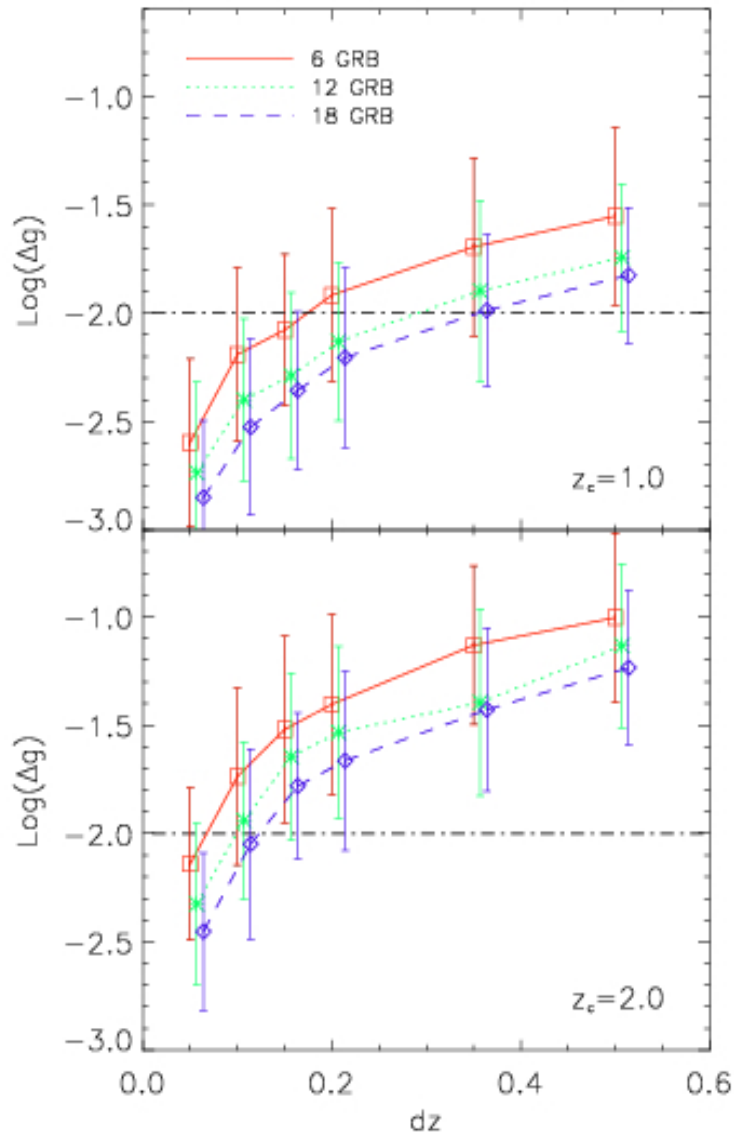


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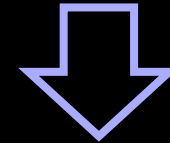


0.2 - 0.1

Calibration: very low redshift GRBs ?



Problem: there are few events at low redshift



It is possible to use a given number of GRBs at the same (not necessarily low) redshift?

Simulation

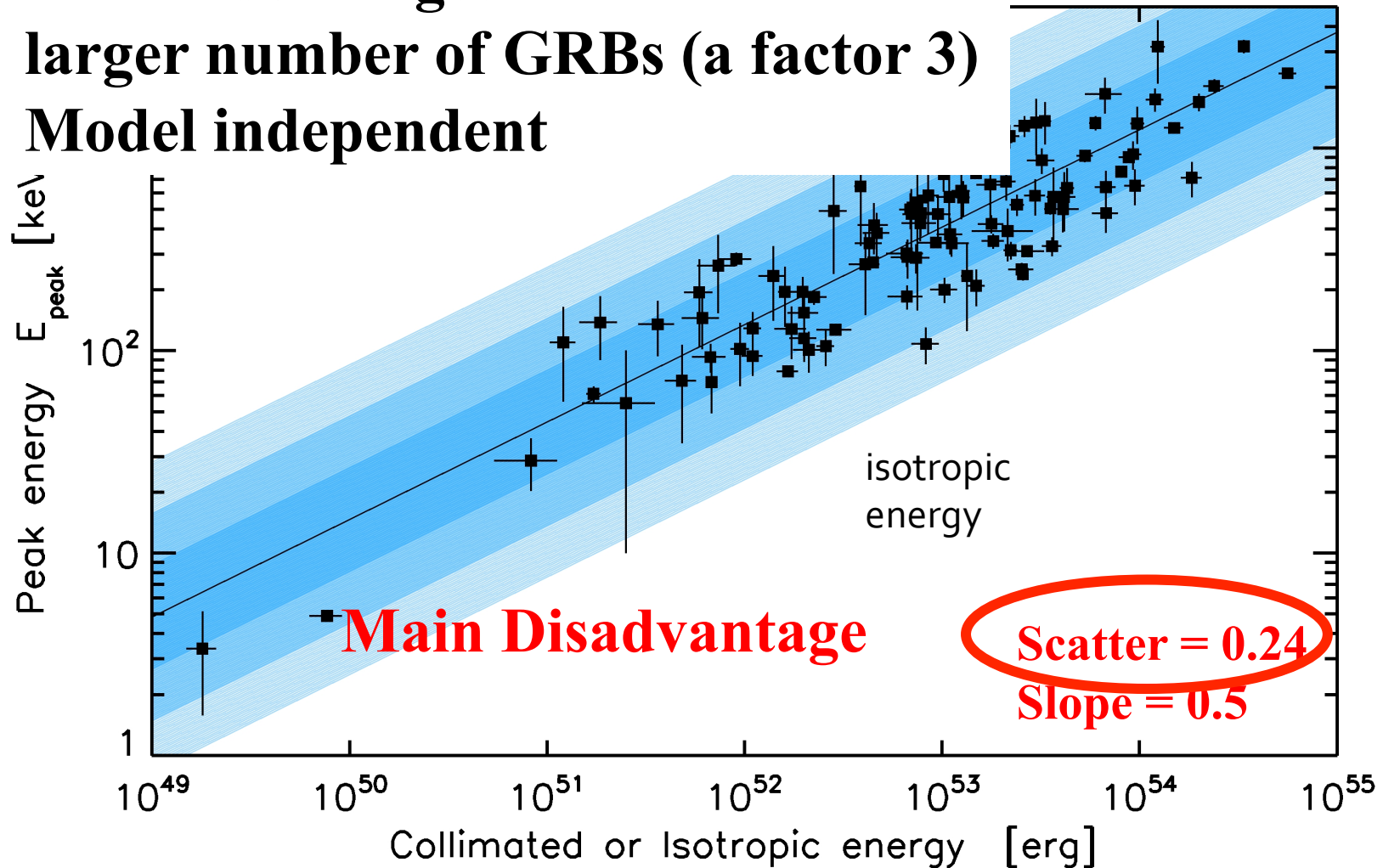
Ghirlanda, Ghisellini, Firmani, Nava et al., 2006

Can we use other correlations?

Amati et al. 2002 2008

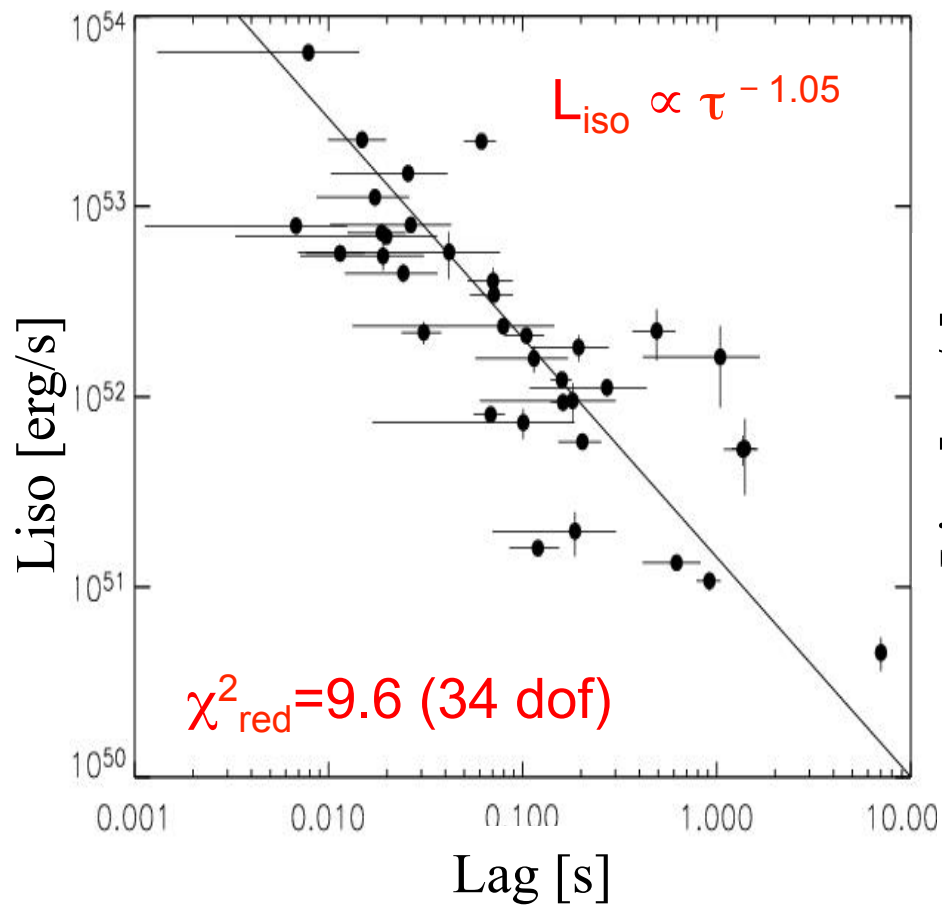
$E_{\text{peak}} - E_{\text{iso}}$

Main Advantages:
larger number of GRBs (a factor 3)
Model independent

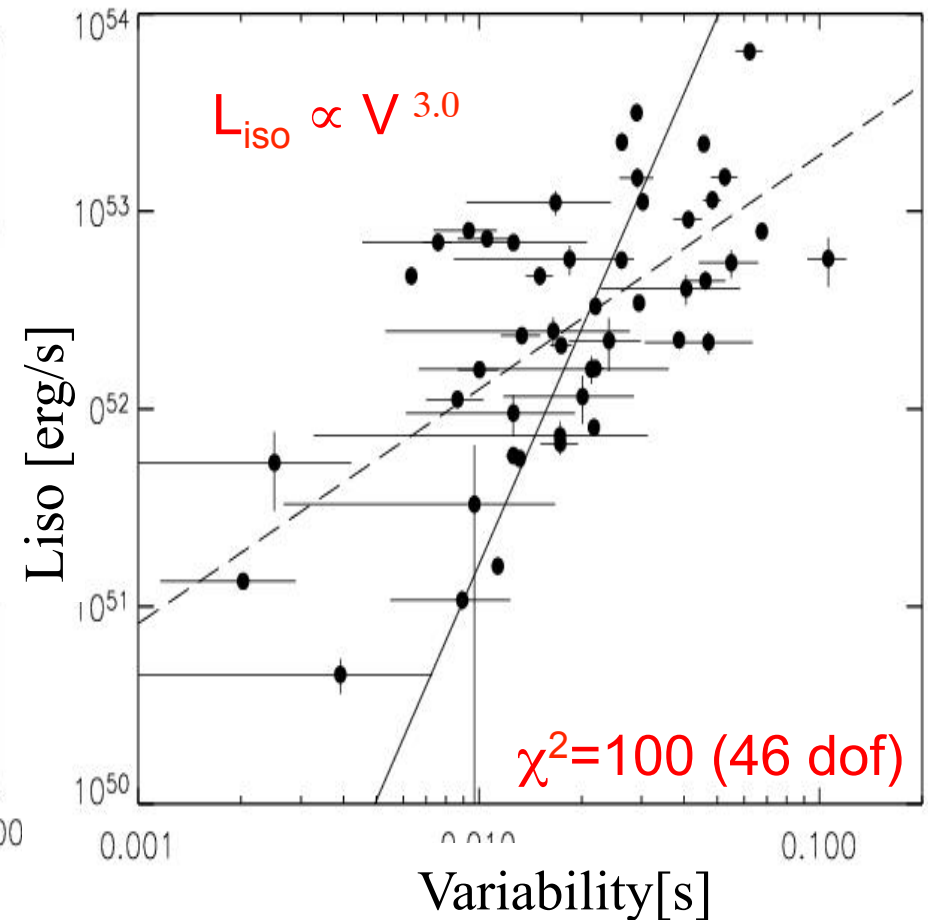


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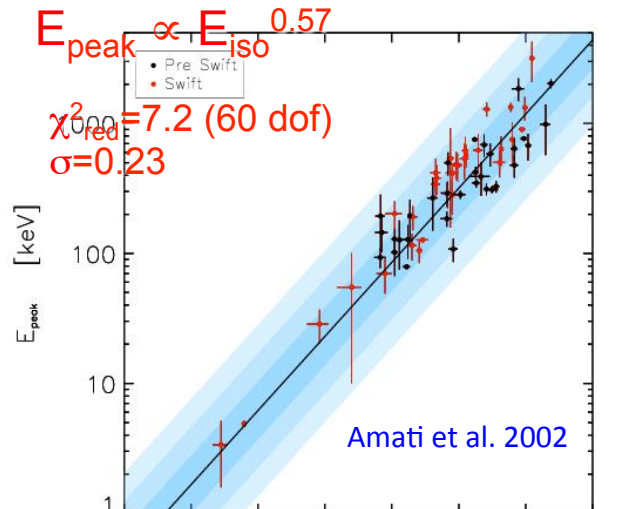
Lag – Luminosity



Lag – Variability



Which correlation(s) can we use?



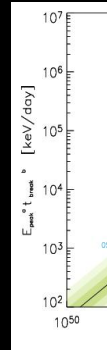
1 model dep correlation (and its empirical analogue) with 40 GRBs

Advantages:

1. Scatter (0.07 dex) consistent with statistical

Disadvantages:

1. Jet breaks hard to measure
2. Few objects



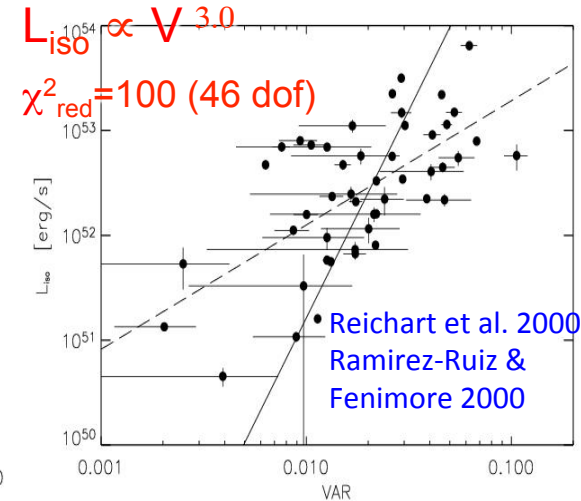
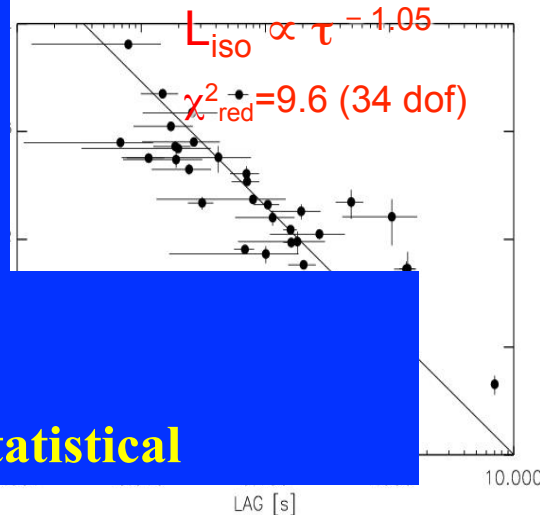
4 empirical correlations with ~ 100 GRBs

Advantages:

1. Large number of data
2. Easily populated
3. Model independent

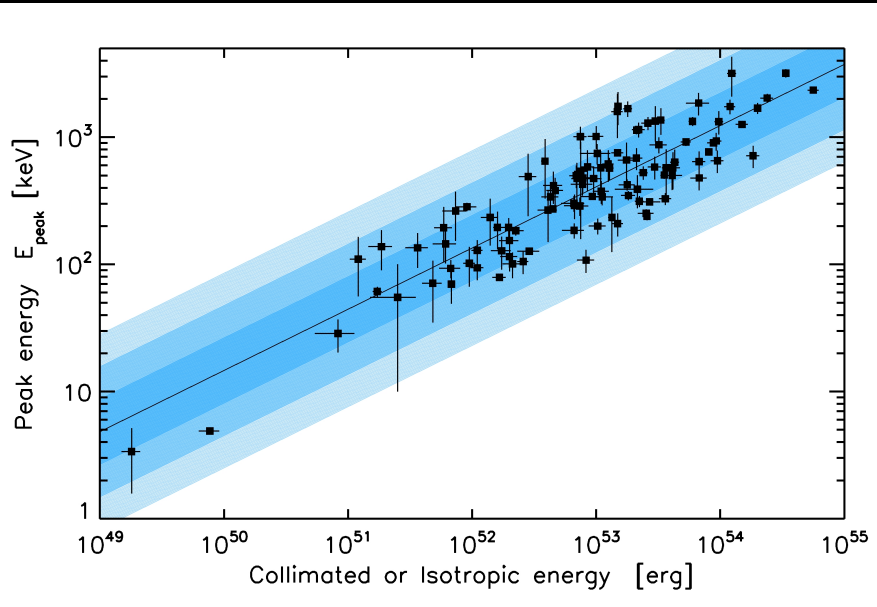
Disadvantages:

1. Large scatter (0.5 dex) >> statistical



Three approaches:

- 1) Use a distance indicator with a scatter which is consistent with statistical errors (Ghirlanda et al. 2004,2005,2006, Firmani et al. 2005,2006, Liang&Zhang 2005, Xu et al. 2005,2006,2007; Izzo et al. 2009)
- 2) Use a distance indicator with a scatter much larger than statistical errors → introduce unknown systematic errors (Amati et al. 2008, 2009; Kodama et al. 2008; Capozziello&Izzo 2010)
- 3) Combine all the distance indicators and average out systematics and scatter (Schaefer et al. 2006, 2007)



Extrinsic variance σ^{ext} :

Kodama et al. 2008; Amati et al. 2008
introduce an **extra scatter term**

Assumptions on the extra scatter term:

1. equal for all bursts
2. gaussian
3. only on E_p

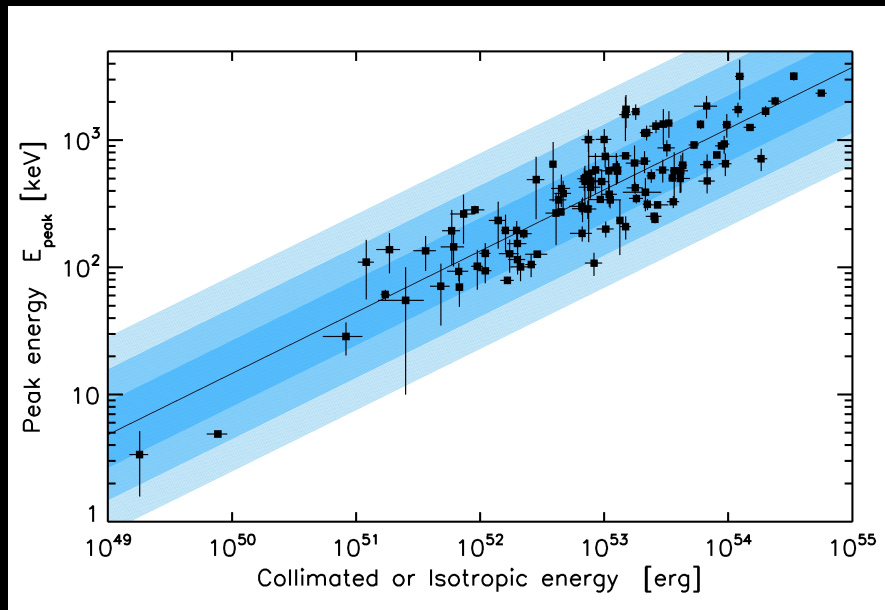
$$\log P[m, q, \sigma_x, \sigma_y | (x_i, y_i, \sigma_{x,i}, \sigma_{y,i})] = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i \log \left[\frac{1}{2\pi(m^2\sigma_{x,i}^2 + \sigma_{y,i}^2 + m^2\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2)} + \frac{(y_i - mx_i - q)^2}{m^2\sigma_{x,i}^2 + \sigma_{y,i}^2 + m^2\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2} \right]$$

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$$y_i = E_{\text{peak},i} = E_{\text{peak},i}^{\text{obs}} (1 + z) \ ; \ \sigma_{y_i} = \sigma_{E_{\text{peak},i}} \quad \sigma_x = 0$$

Kodama et al. 2008;
Amati et al. 2008 ... +

$$\sigma_y \neq 0$$

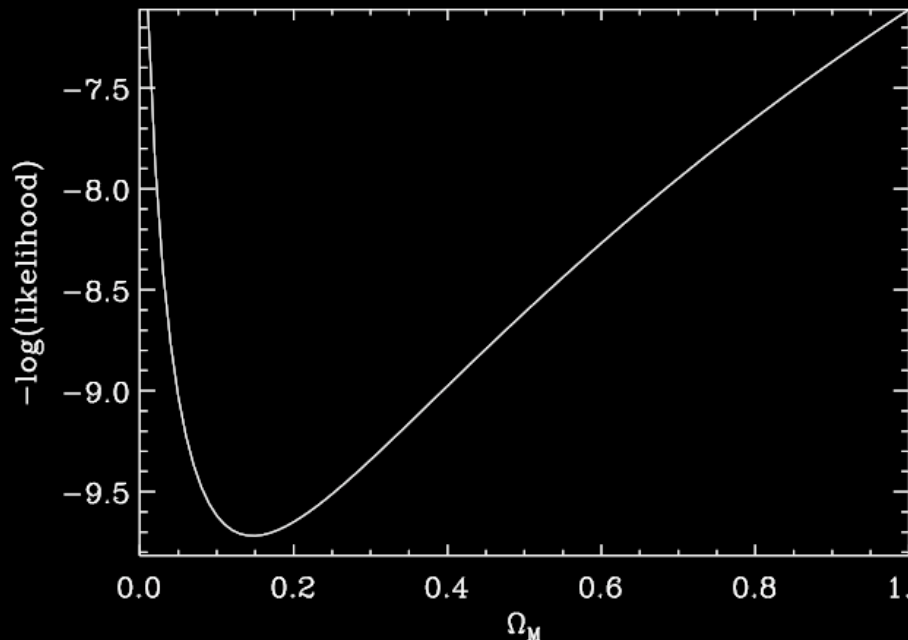


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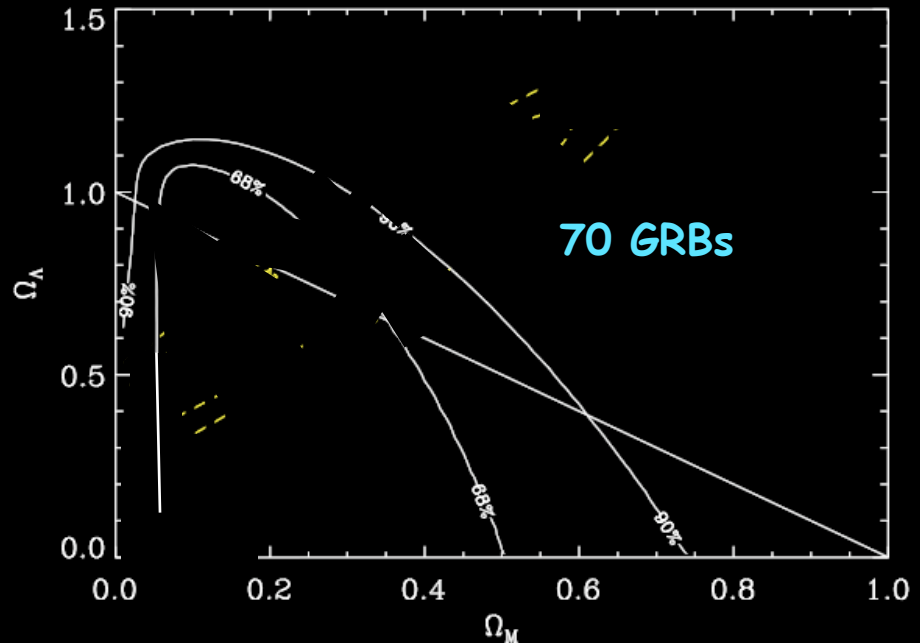
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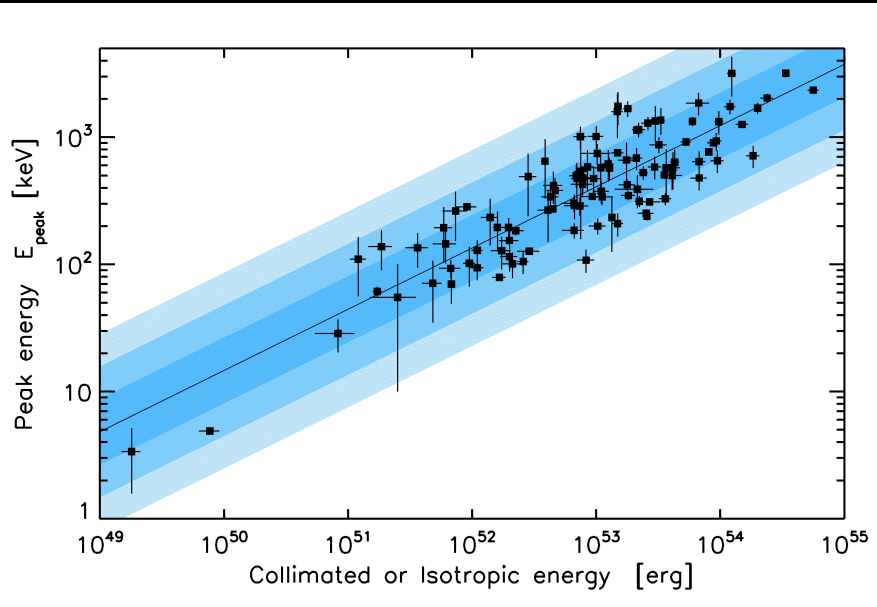
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Flat Universe





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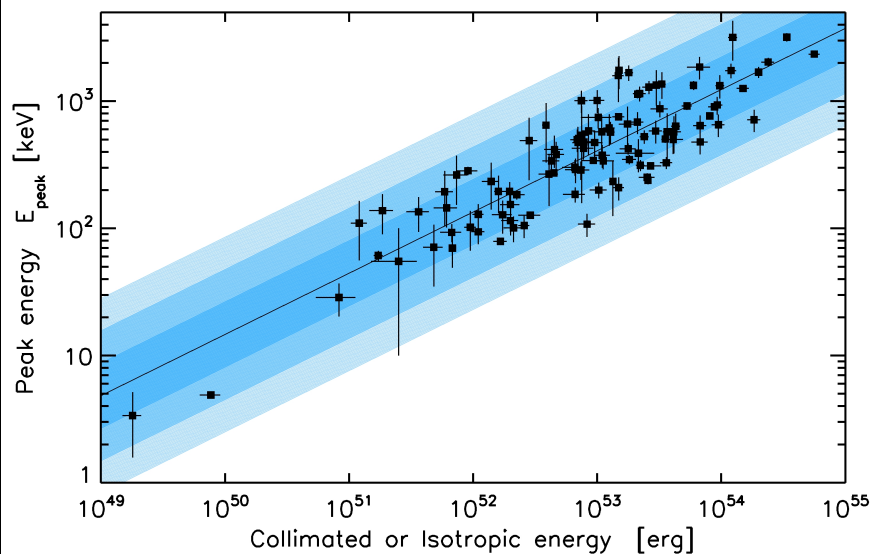
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... but cosmology acts on
Eiso rather than on Epeak

$$\sigma_x \neq 0$$

$$\sigma_y = 0$$



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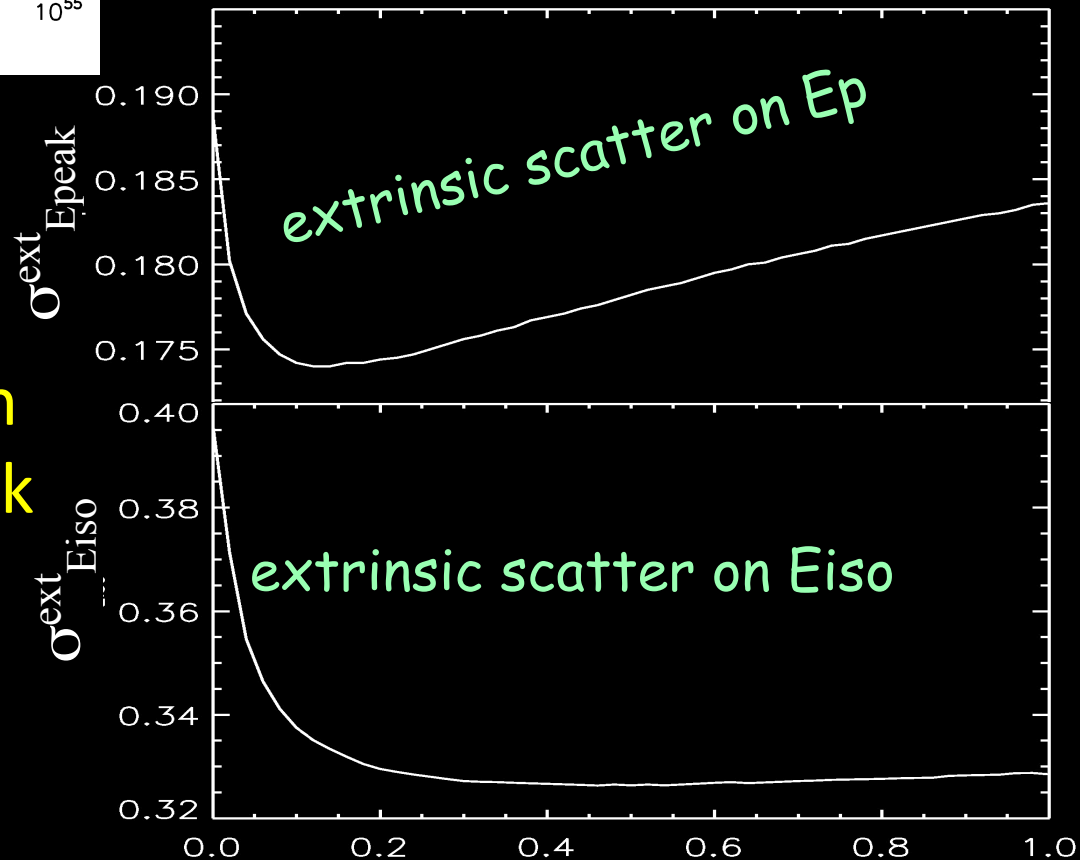
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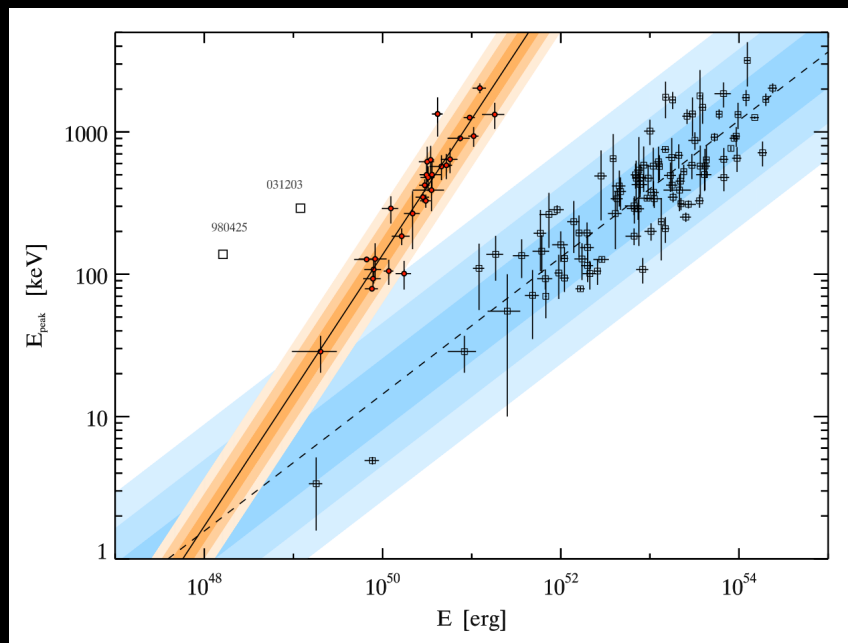
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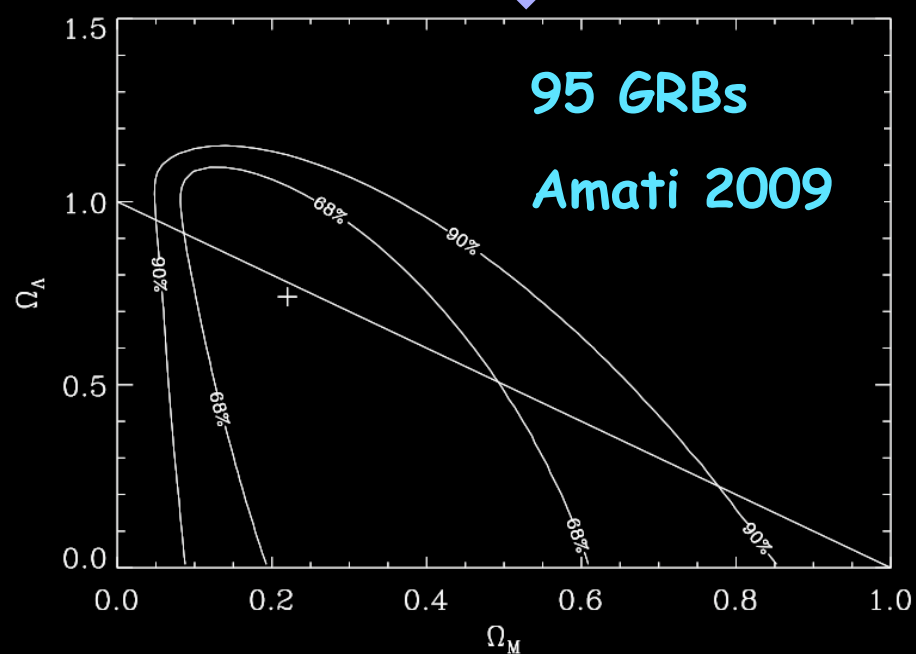
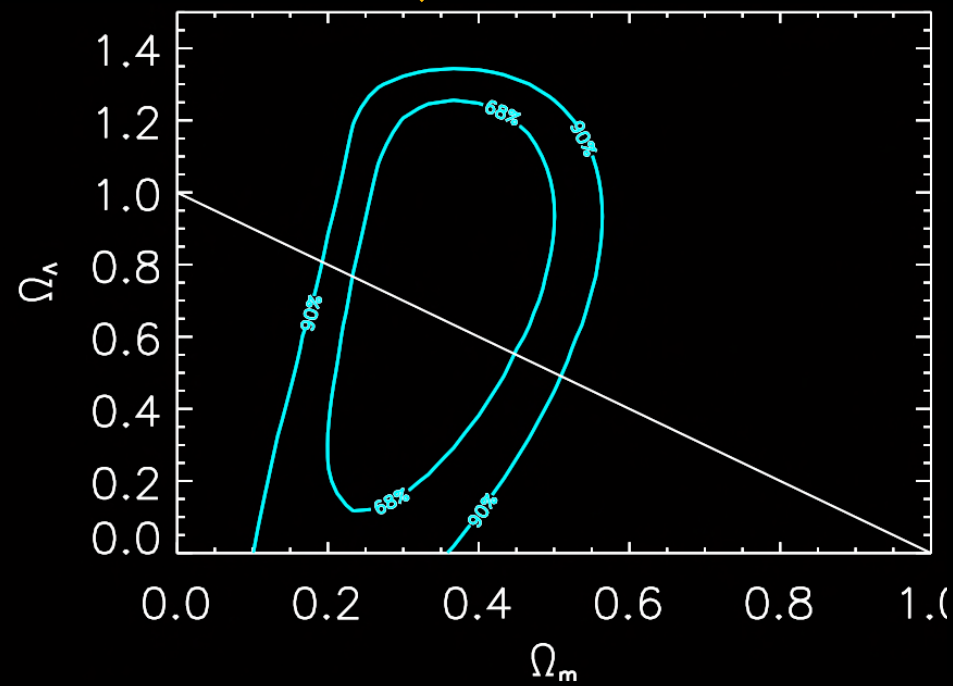
$$\sigma_{\mathbf{y}} = 0$$



Ep-E γ
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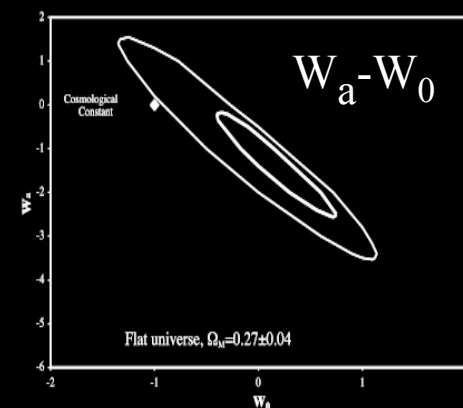
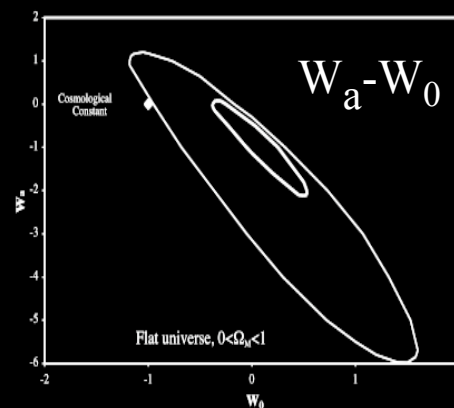
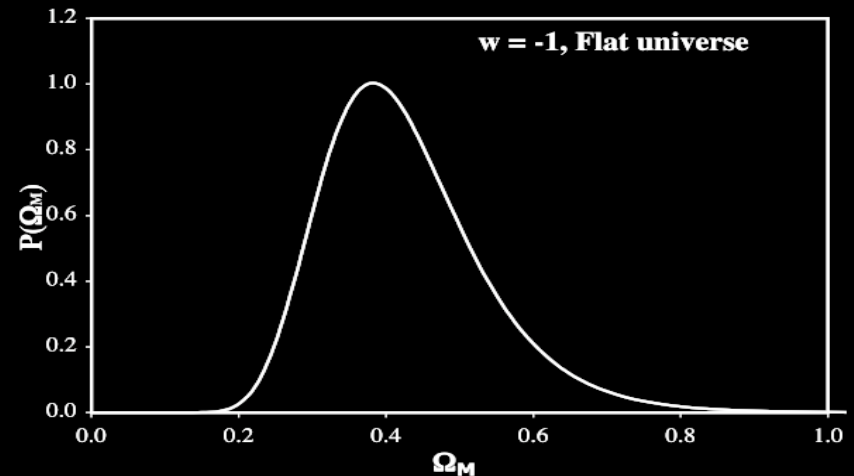
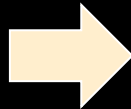
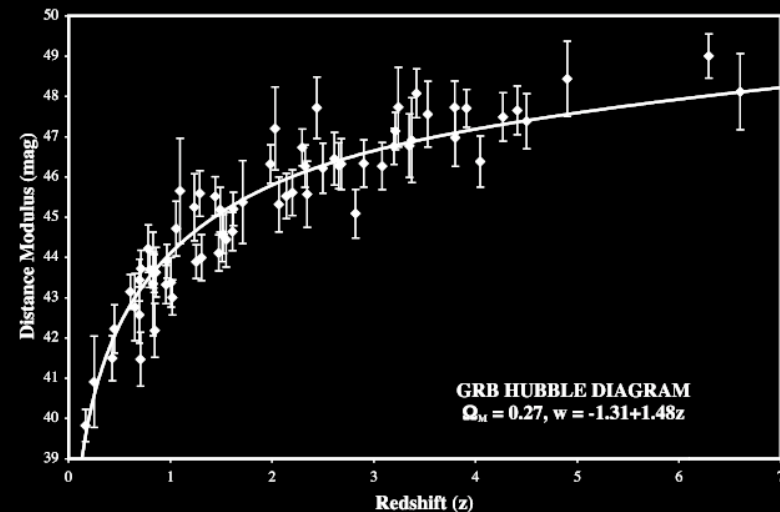
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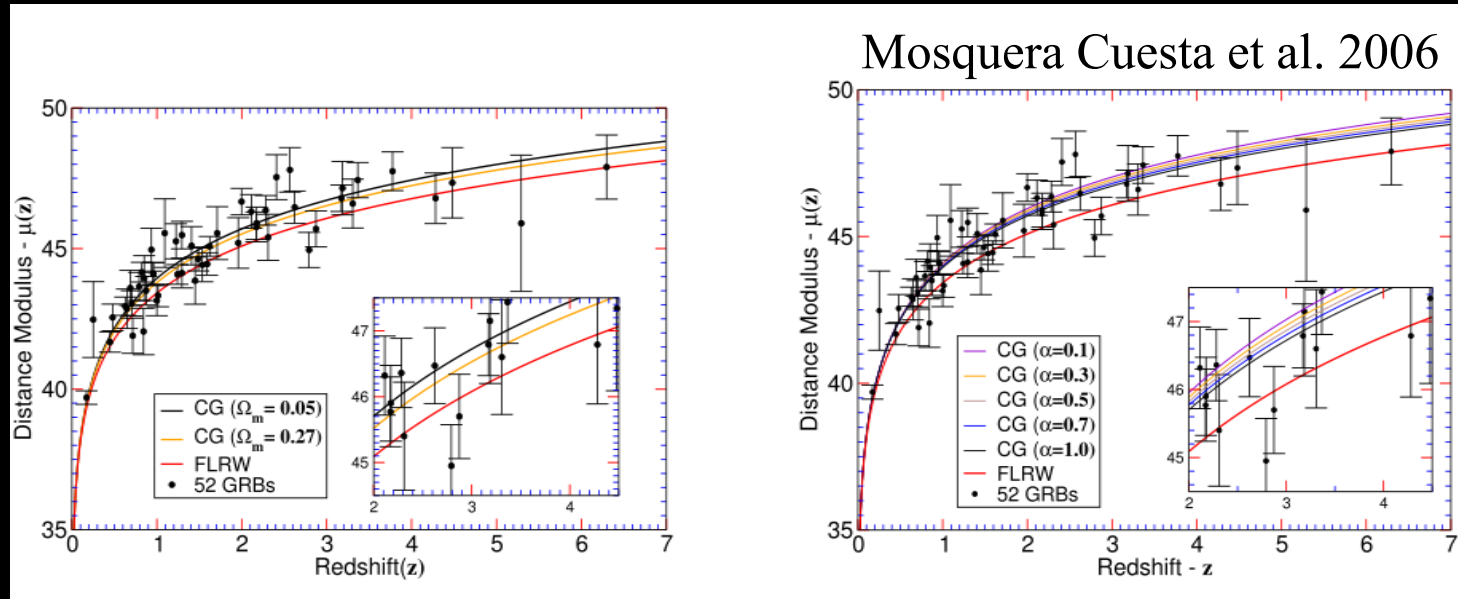
Schaefer et al. (2006, 2007) combine the following relations:

- ★ $L - \tau_{\text{lag}}$
- ★ $L - V$
- ★ $L - E_{\text{peak}}$
- ★ $E_{\gamma} - E_{\text{peak}}$
- ★ $L - \tau_{\text{RT}}$
- ★ $L - N_{\text{peak}}$

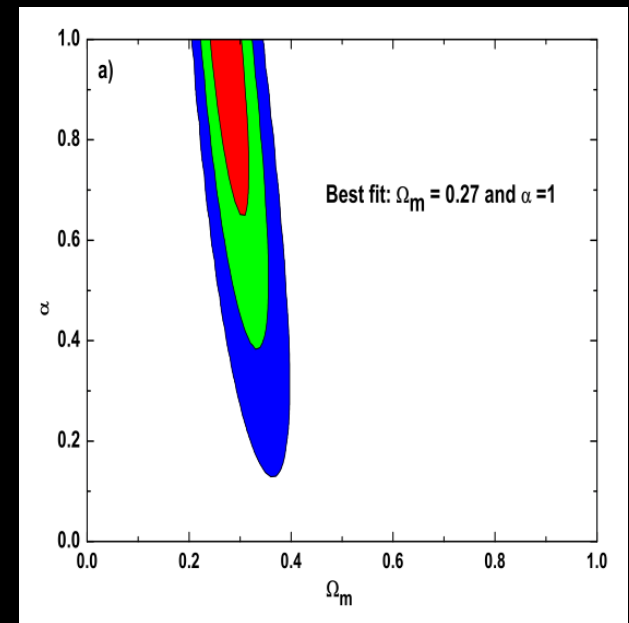
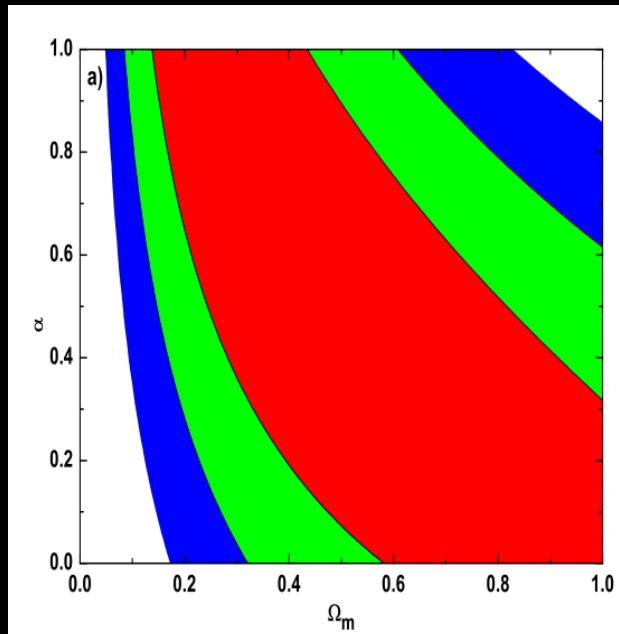
Method: each luminosity indicator gives an estimate of the distance modulus.
Different distance moduli are combined weighting for their errors



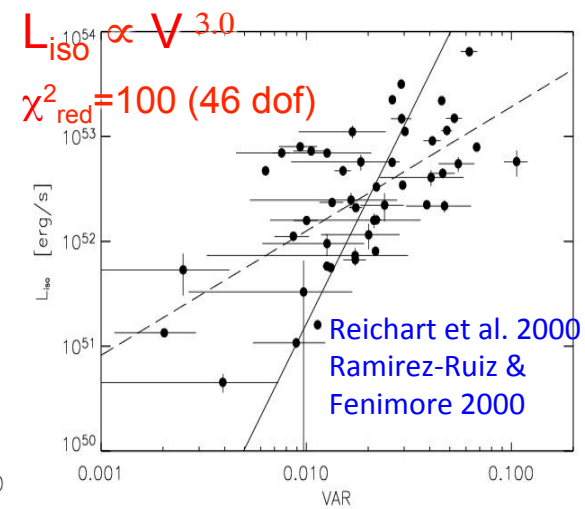
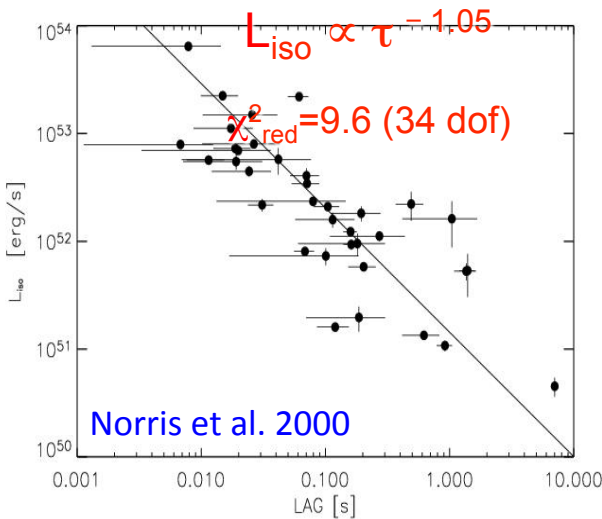
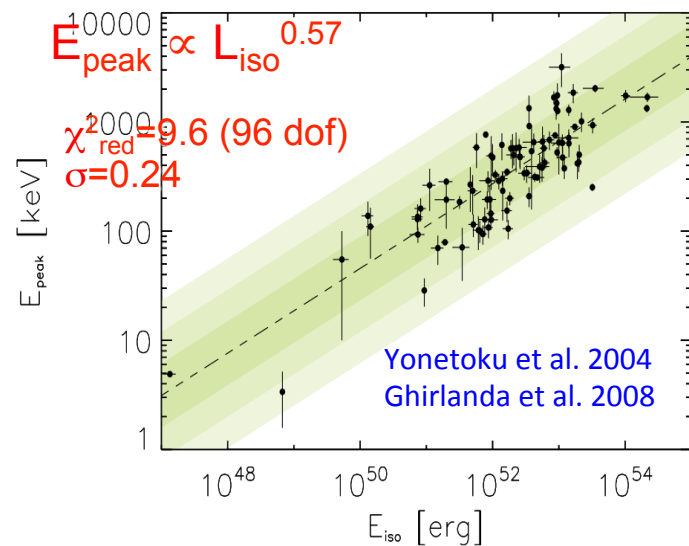
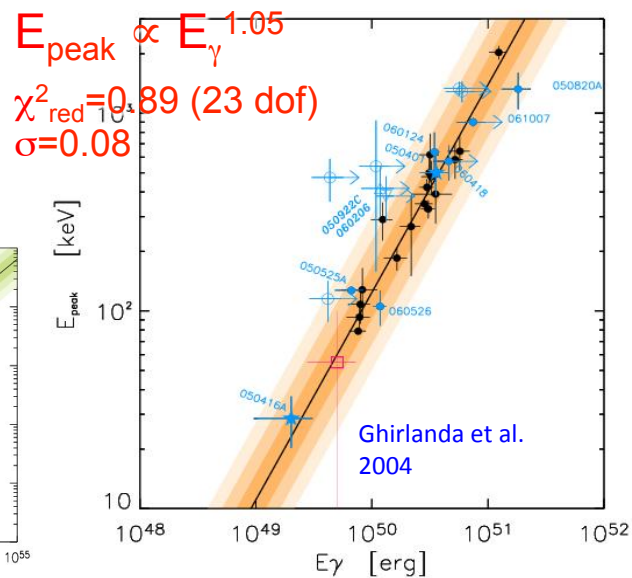
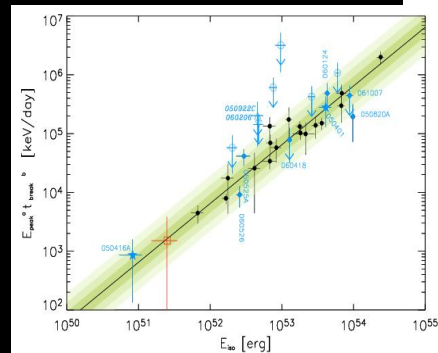
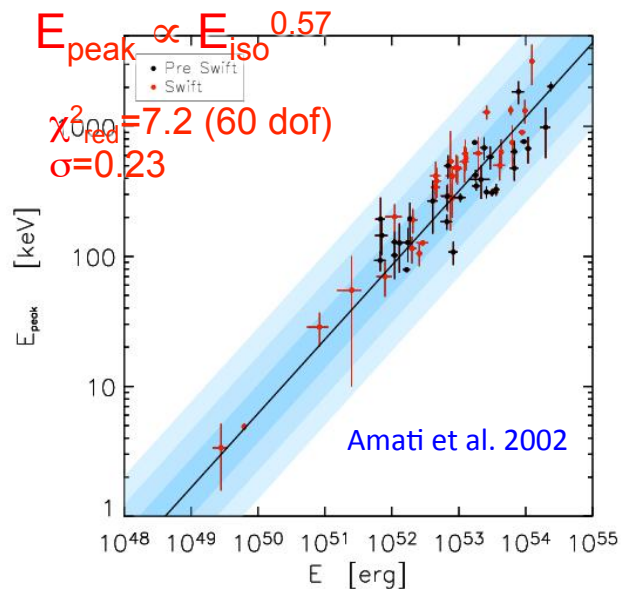
Other applications of the “Schaefer” method



Busti et al. 2012



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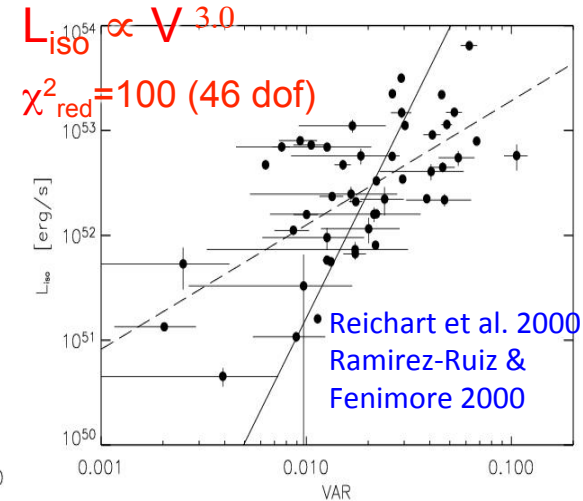
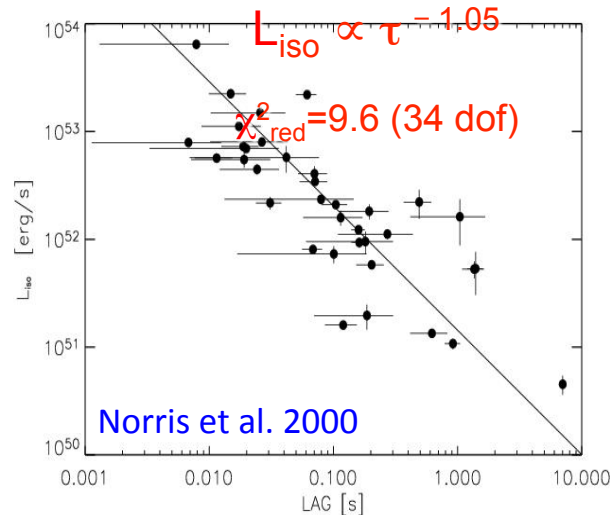
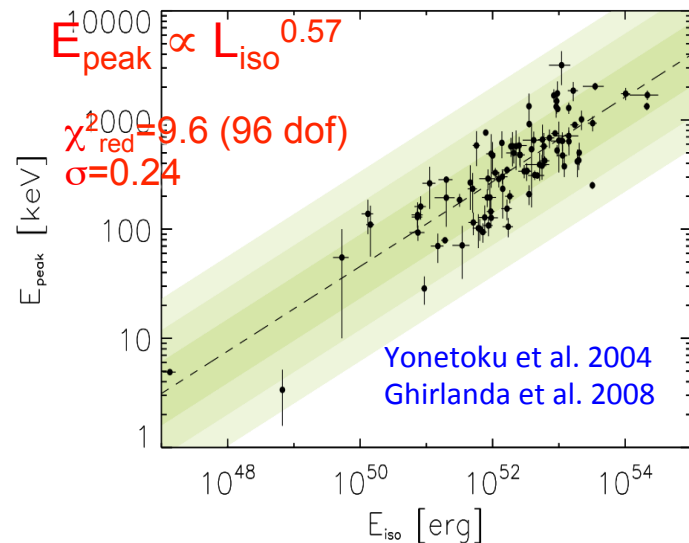
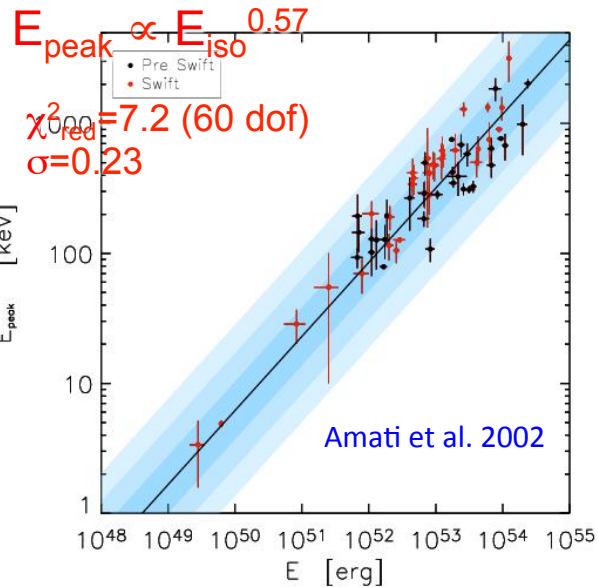
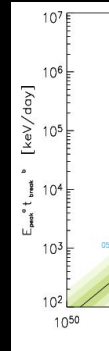
1 model dep correlation (and its empirical analogue) with 40 GRBs

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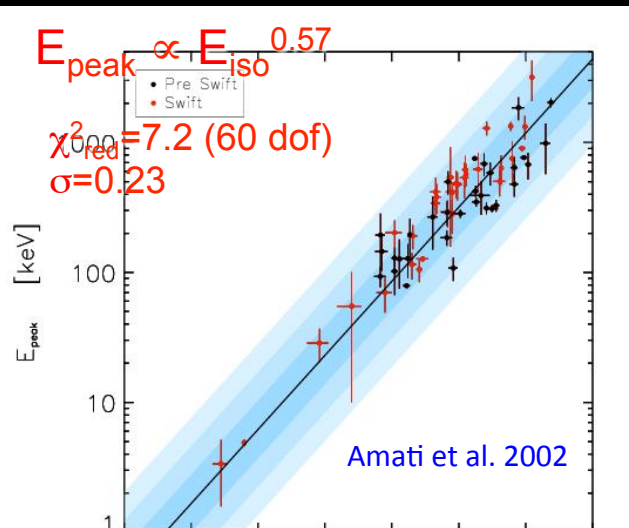
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2. Few objects



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4 empirical correlations with ~ 100 GRBs

Advantages:

1. Large number of data
2. Easily populated
3. Model independent

Disadvantages:

1. Large scatter (0.5 dex) $\gg$ statistical

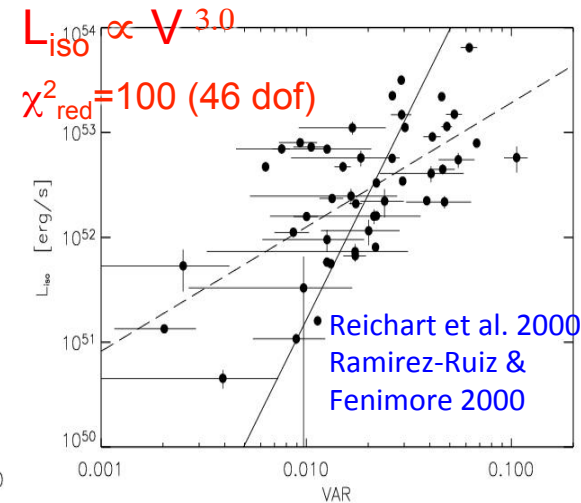
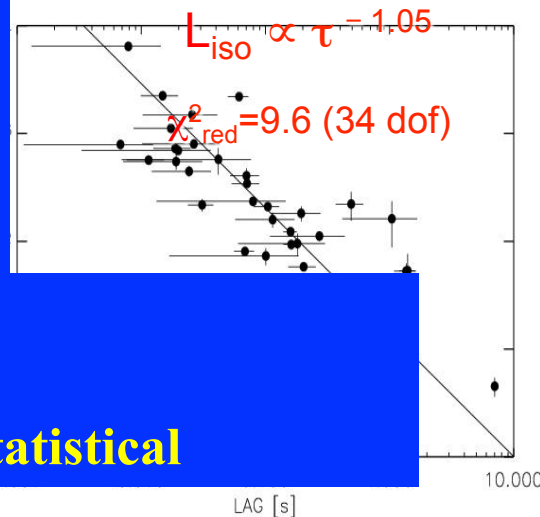
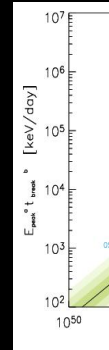
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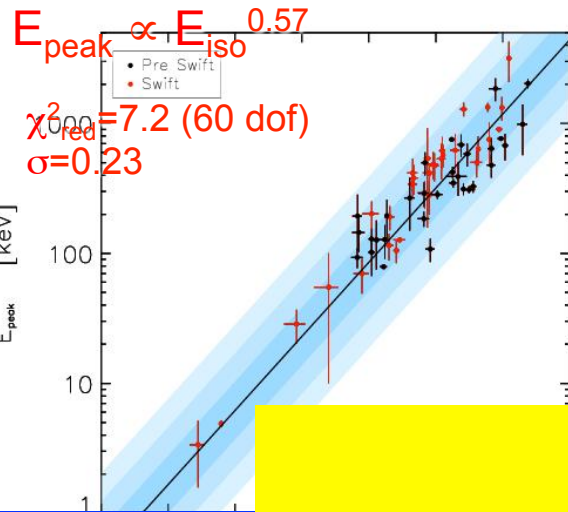
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 Ramirez-Ruiz &
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Maybe ... but
still a lot to understand

What could help is a physical
interpretation

(e.g. see Ghirlanda et al. 2012 for a unifying interpret.)

4 empirical
100 GRBs

Advantages

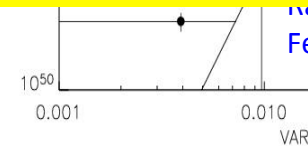
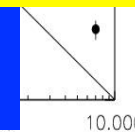
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2. Easily p
3. Model f

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