

Measuring cosmological parameters with Gamma-Ray Bursts



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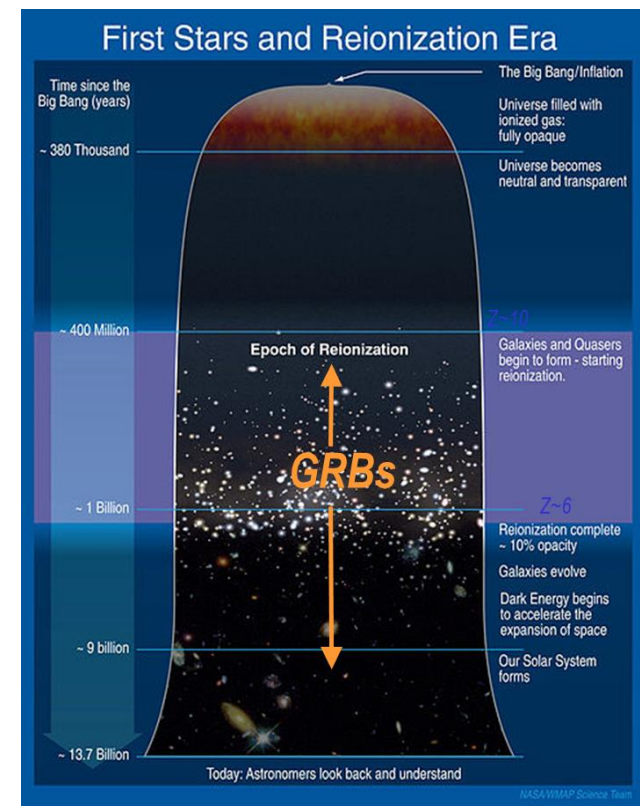


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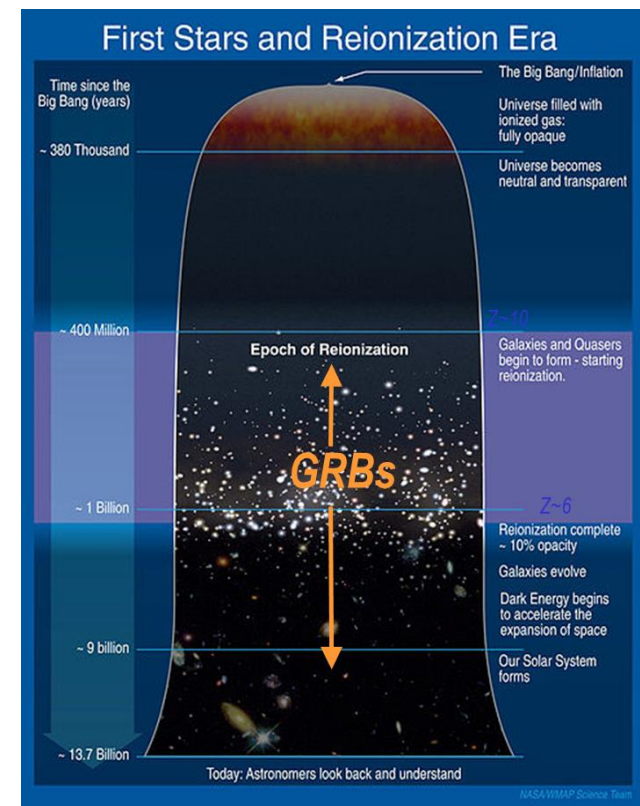
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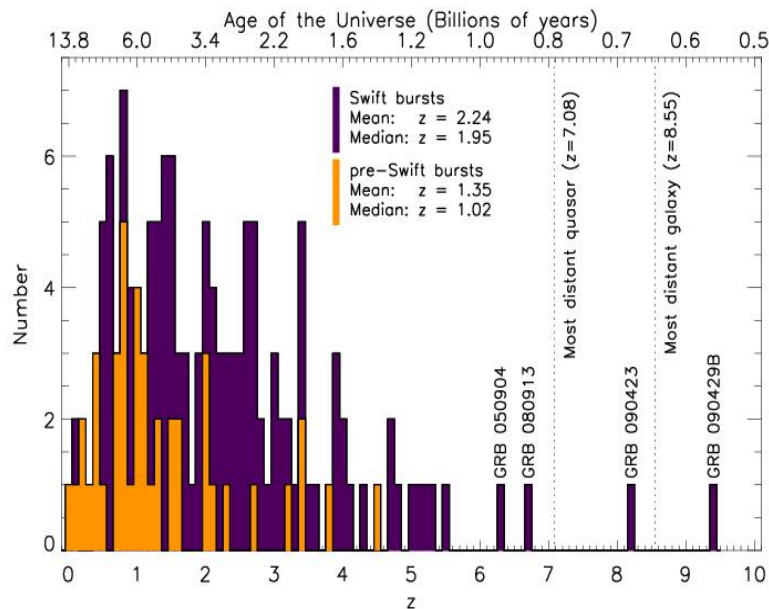


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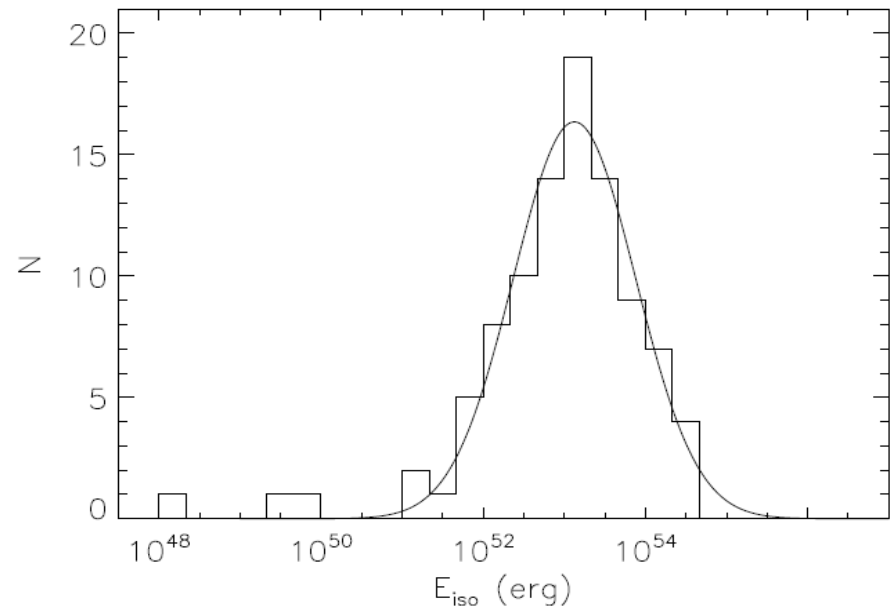
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Are Gamma-Ray Bursts standard candles ?

- all GRBs with measured redshift (~ 400 , including a few short GRBs) lie at cosmological distances ($z = 0.033 - \sim 9.3$) (except for the peculiar GRB980425, $z=0.0085$)
- isotropic **luminosities and radiated energy are huge**, can be detected up to very high z
- no dust extinction problems; z distribution much beyond SN Ia **but...**
GRBs are not standard candles (unfortunately)



Jakobsson et al., 2010

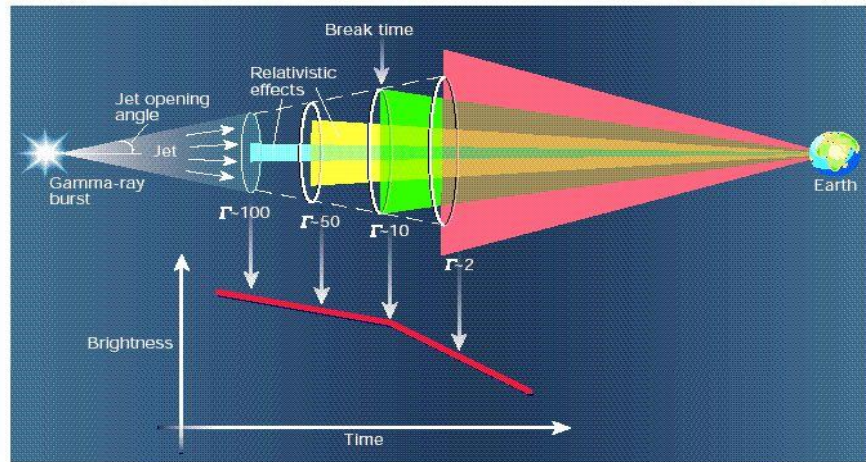
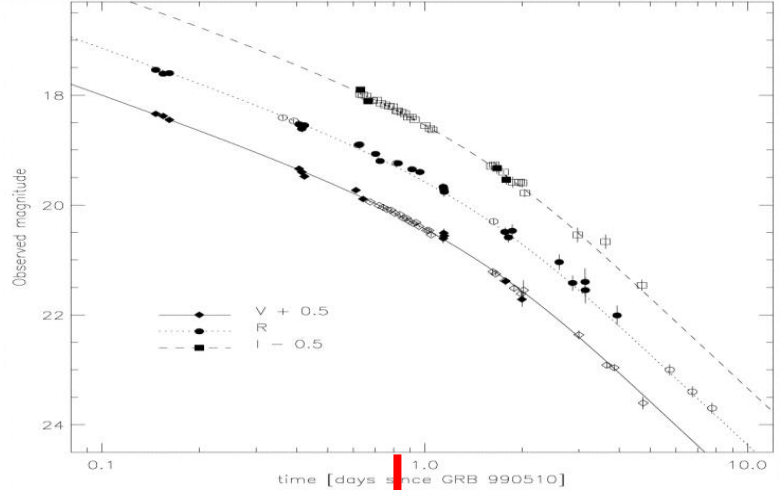


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□ jet angles, derived from break time of optical afterglow light curve by assuming standard afterglow model, are of the order of few degrees

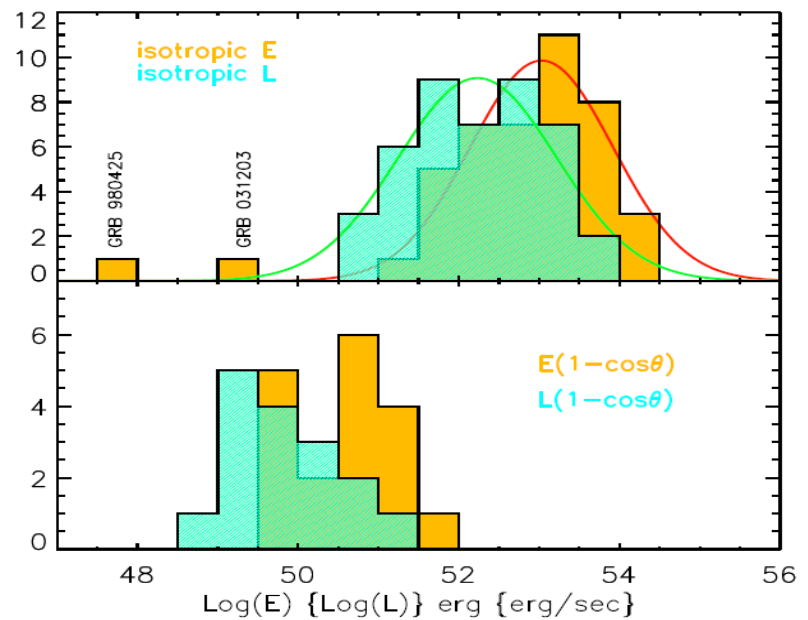
□ the collimation-corrected radiated energy spans the range $\sim 5 \times 10^{49} - 5 \times 10^{52}$ erg

-> more clustered but still not standard (and model dependent, small sample,..)



$$\theta = 0.09 \left(\frac{t_{jet,d}}{1+z} \right)^{3/8} \left(\frac{n \eta_{\gamma}}{E_{\gamma,iso,52}} \right)^{1/8}$$

$$E_{\gamma} = (1 - \cos \theta) E_{\gamma,iso}$$

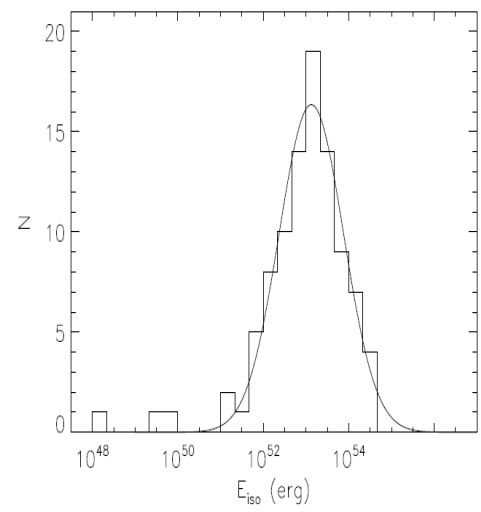
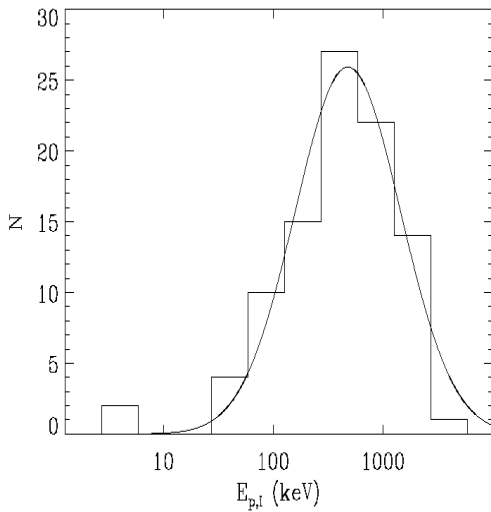
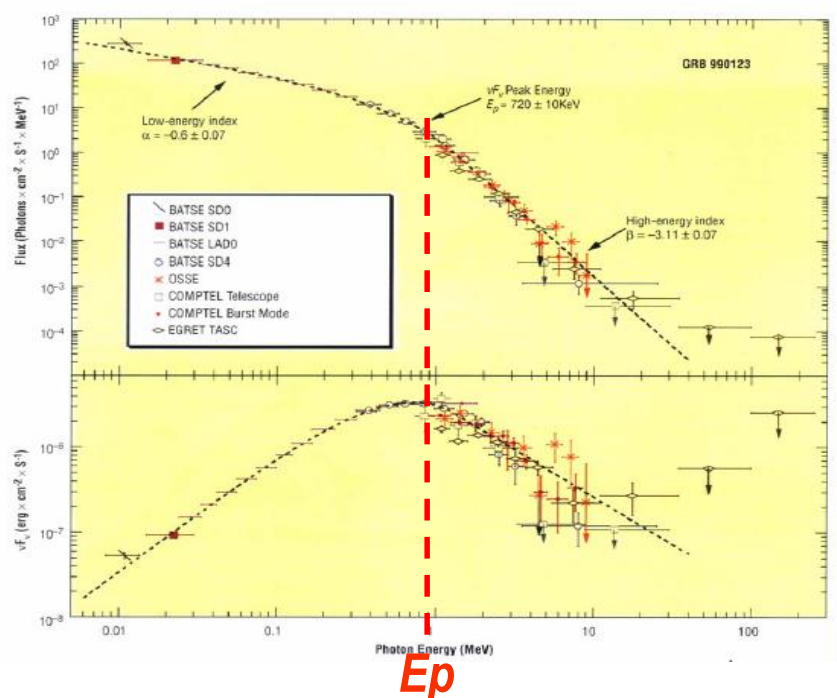


“Standardizing” GRBs: the $E_{p,i}$ – “intensity” correlation

- GRB νF_ν spectra typically show a peak at a characteristic photon energy E_p
- measured spectrum + measured redshift -> intrinsic peak energy and radiated energy

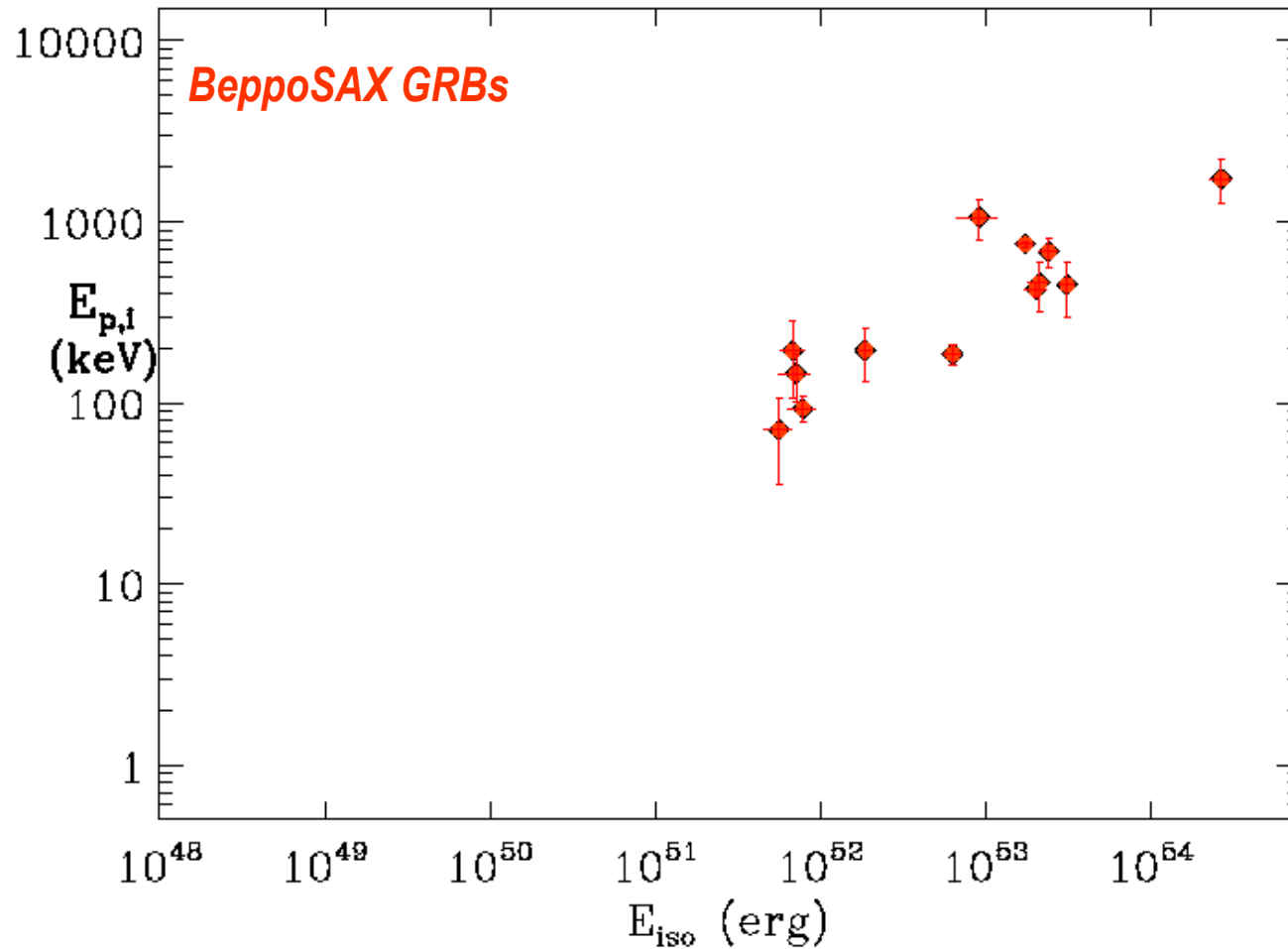
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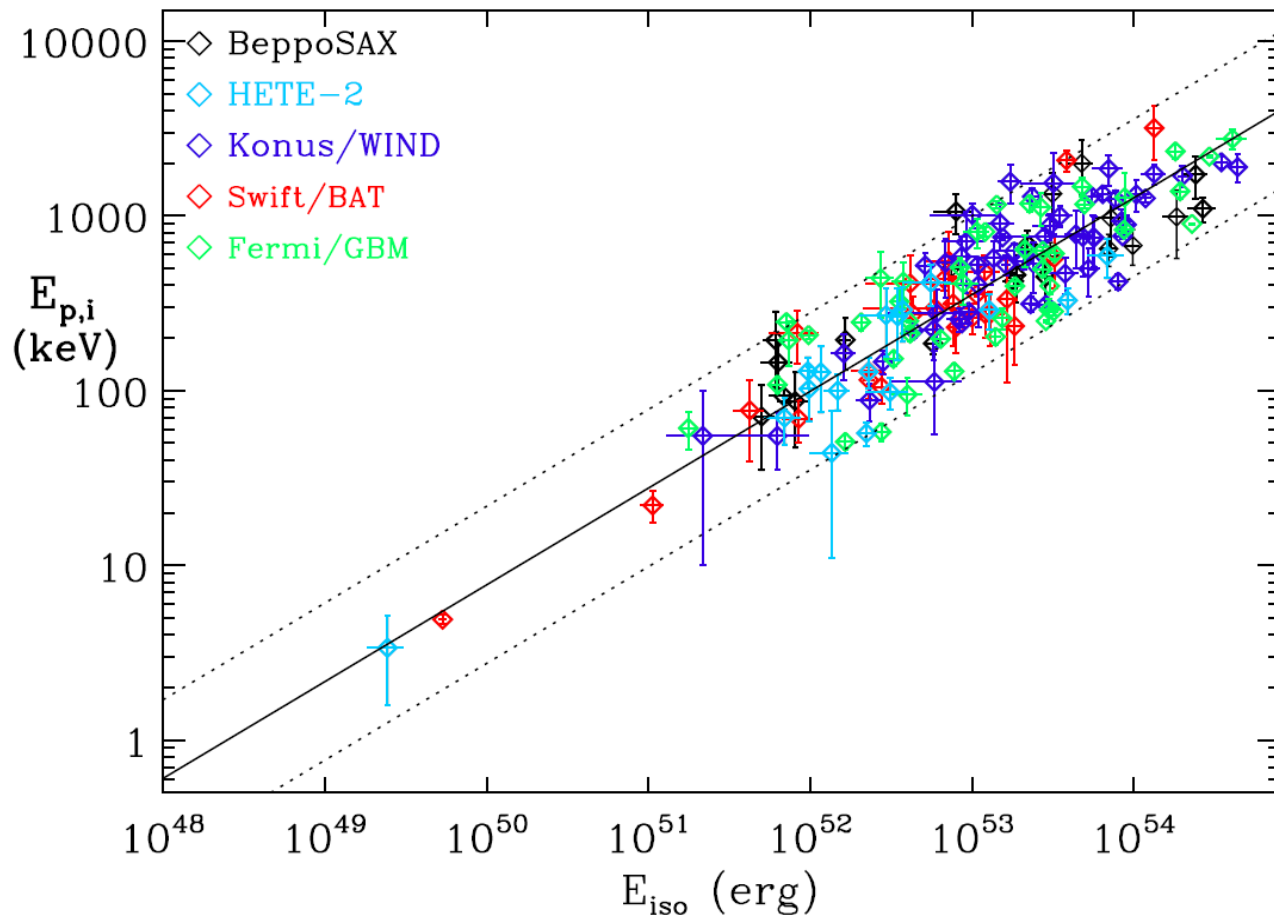
Amati (2009)

- Amati et al. (A&A 2002): significant correlation between $E_{p,i}$ and E_{iso} found based on a small sample of BeppoSAX GRBs with known redshift



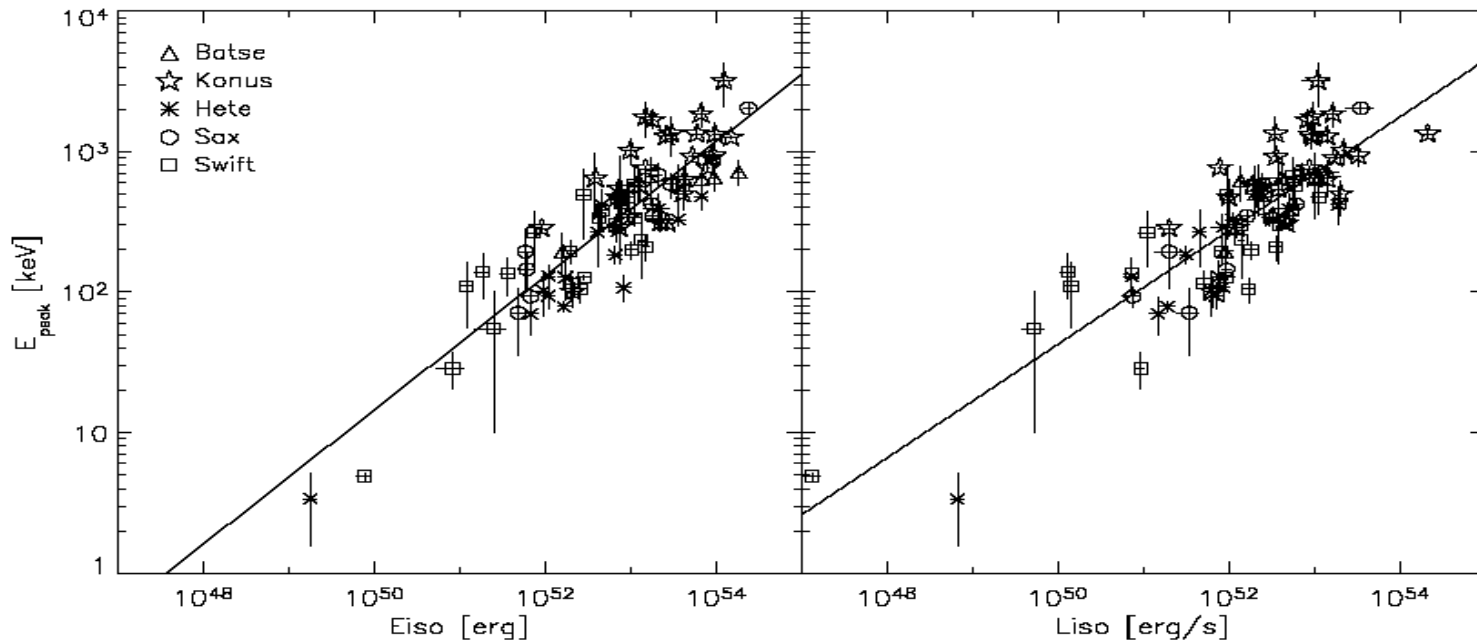
- $E_{p,i}$ – Eiso correlation for GRBs with known redshift confirmed and extended by measurements of ALL other GRB detectors with spectral capabilities

193 long GRBs as of 2015



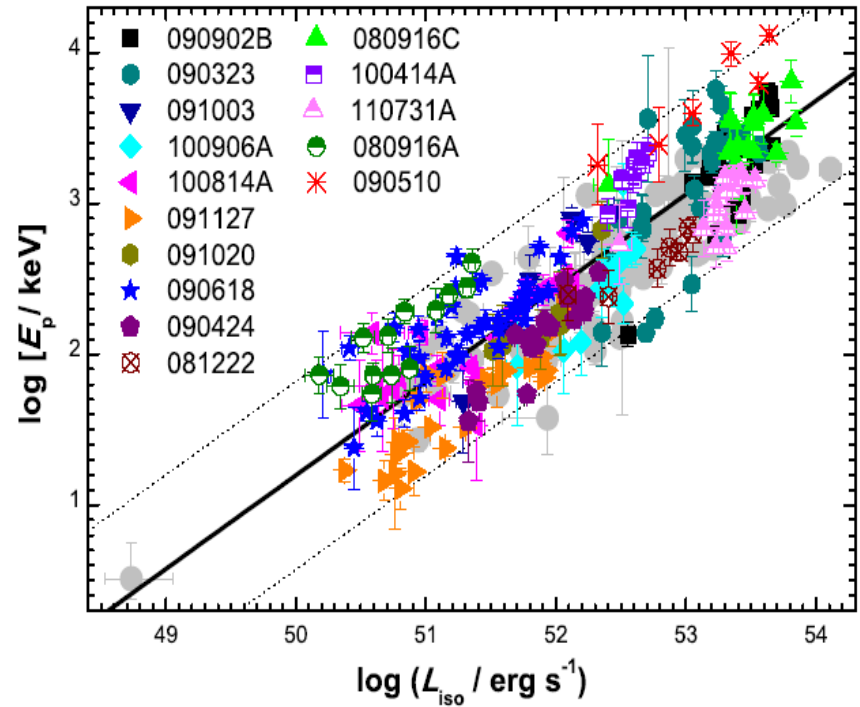
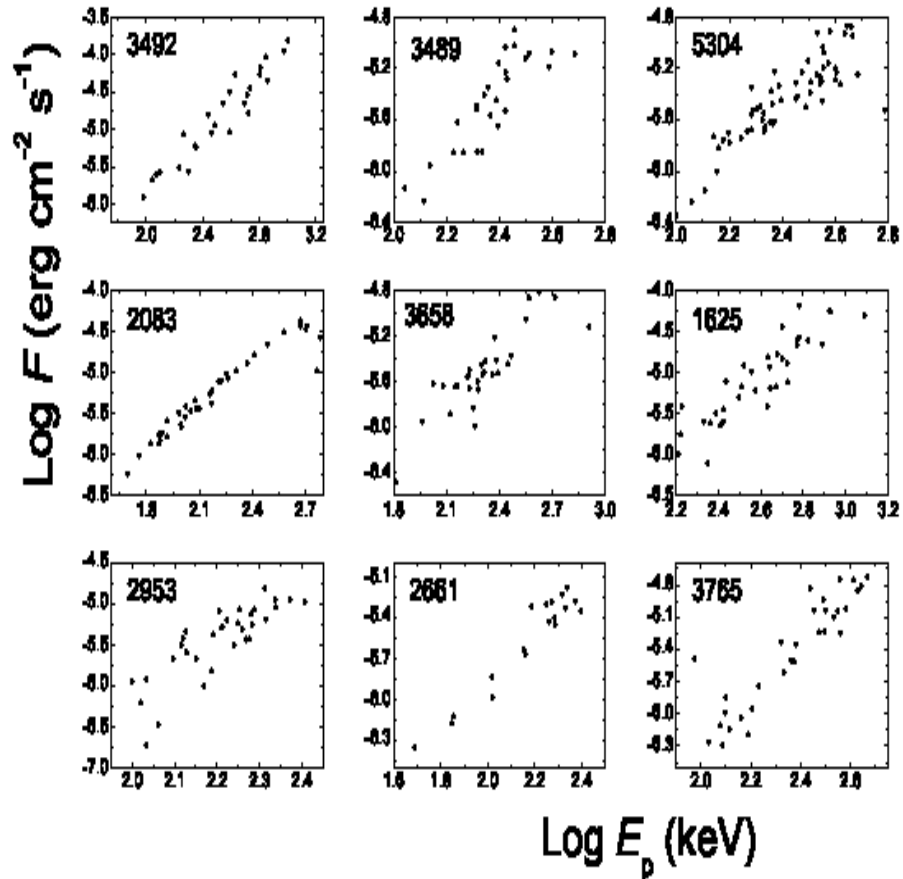
Amati & Della Valle 2013, 2017

- the correlation holds also when substituting Eiso with Liso (e.g., Lamb et al. 2004) or Lpeak,iso (Yonetoku et al. 2004, Ghirlanda et al., 2005)
- this is expected because Liso and Lpeak,iso are strongly correlated with Eiso
- w/r to Eiso, Lp,iso is subject to more uncertainties (e.g., light curves peak at different times in different energy bands; spectral parameters at peak difficult to estimate; which peak time scale ?)



Nava et al. 2009

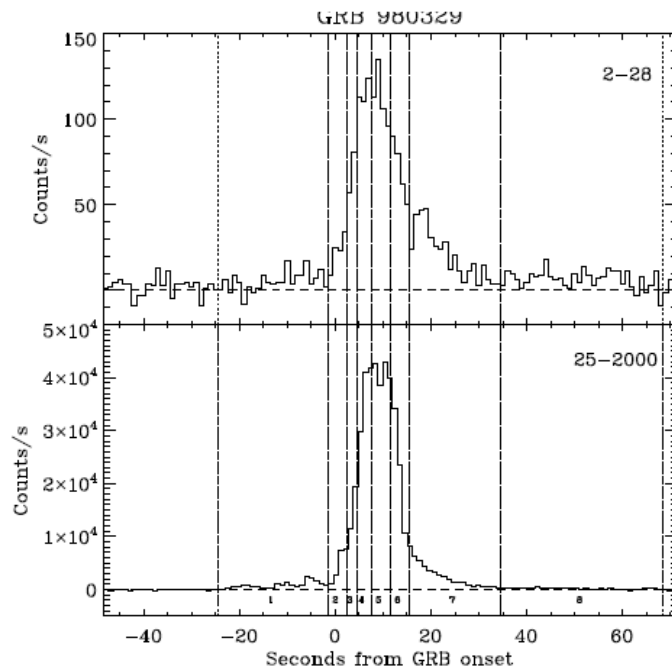
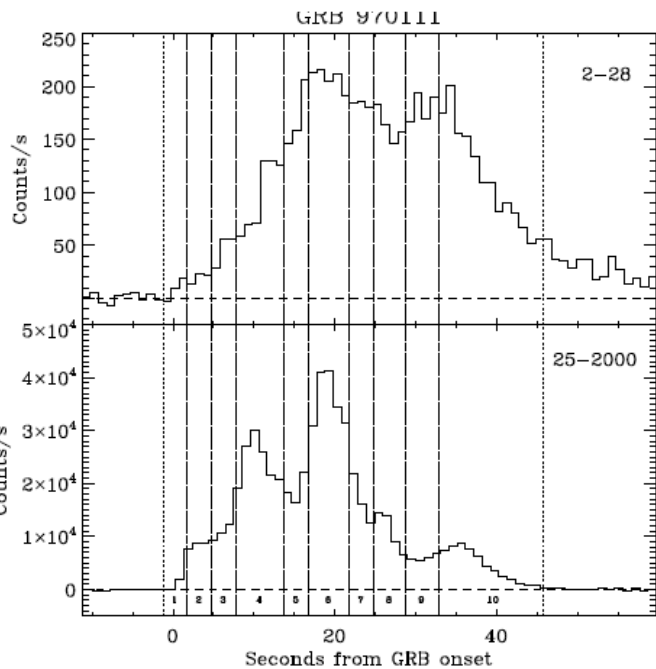
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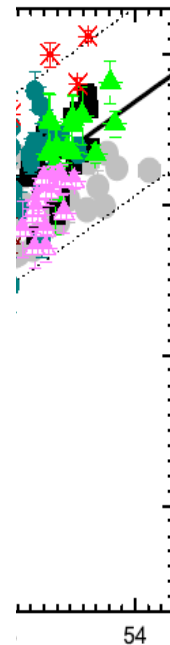
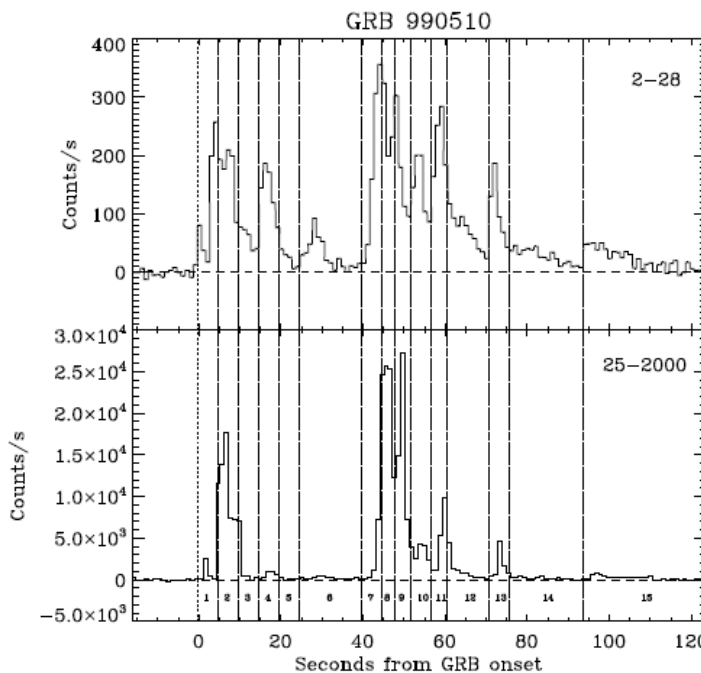
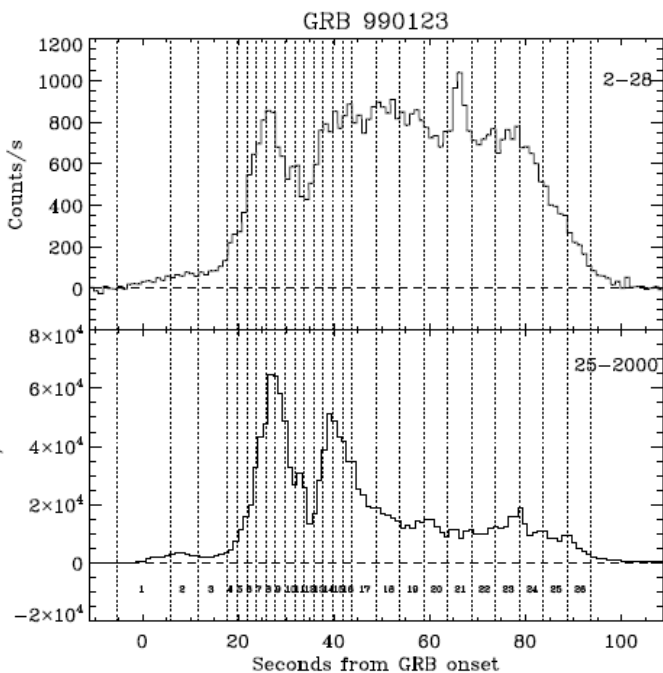
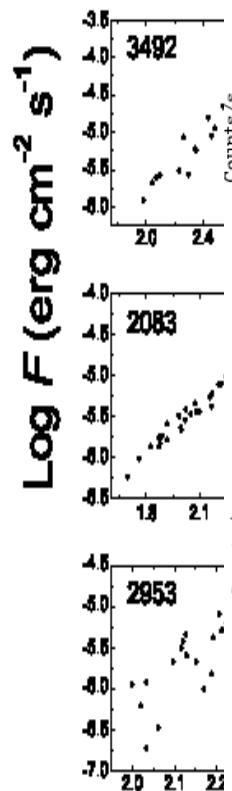
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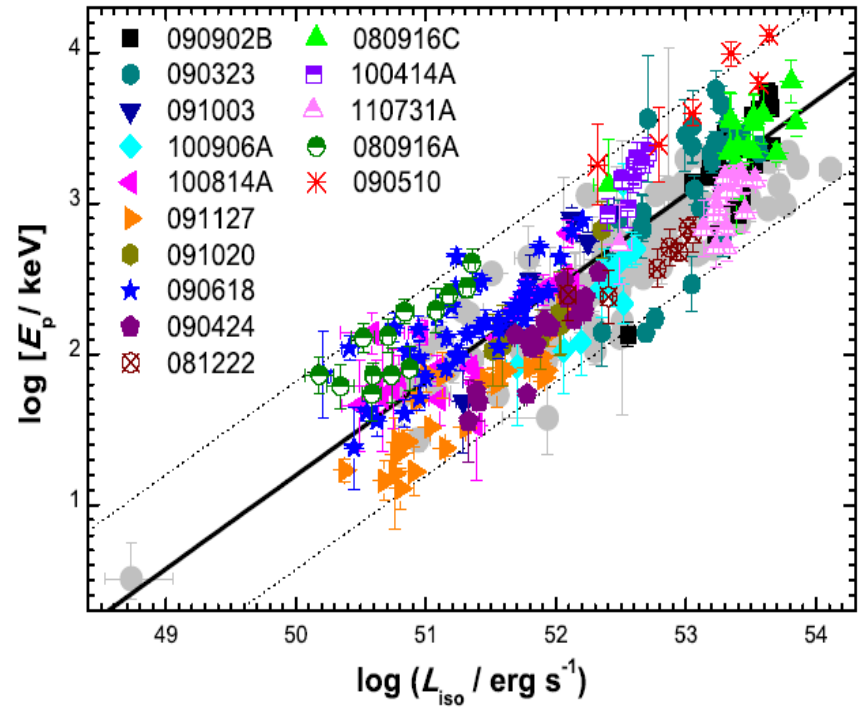
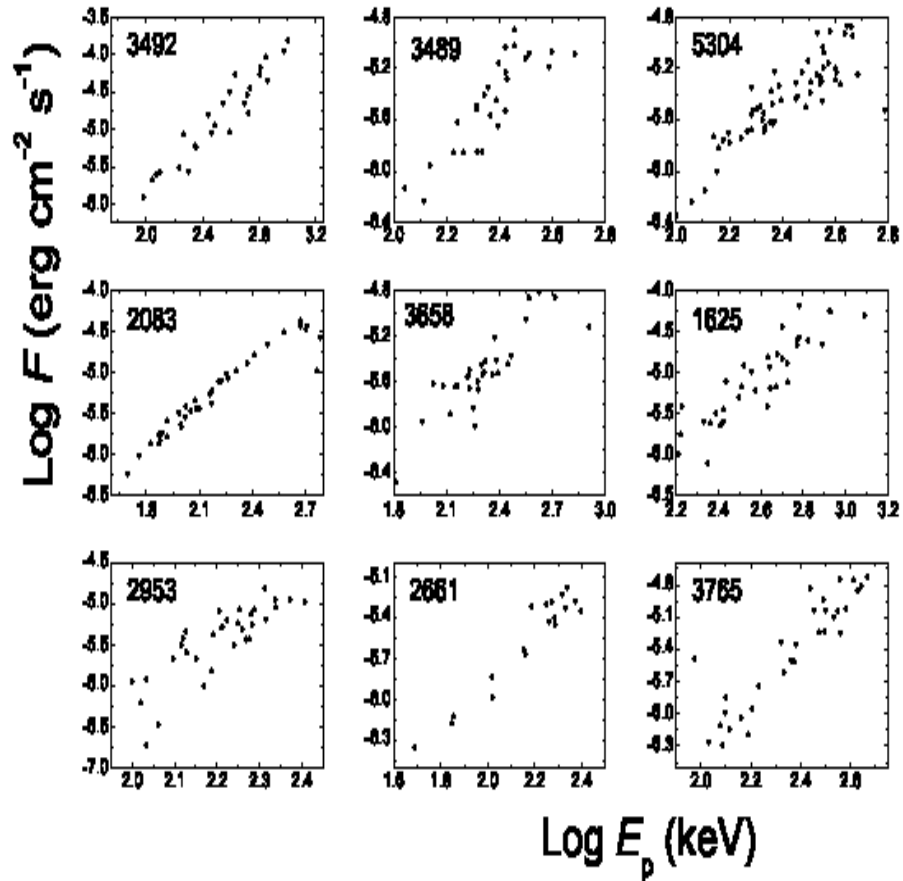
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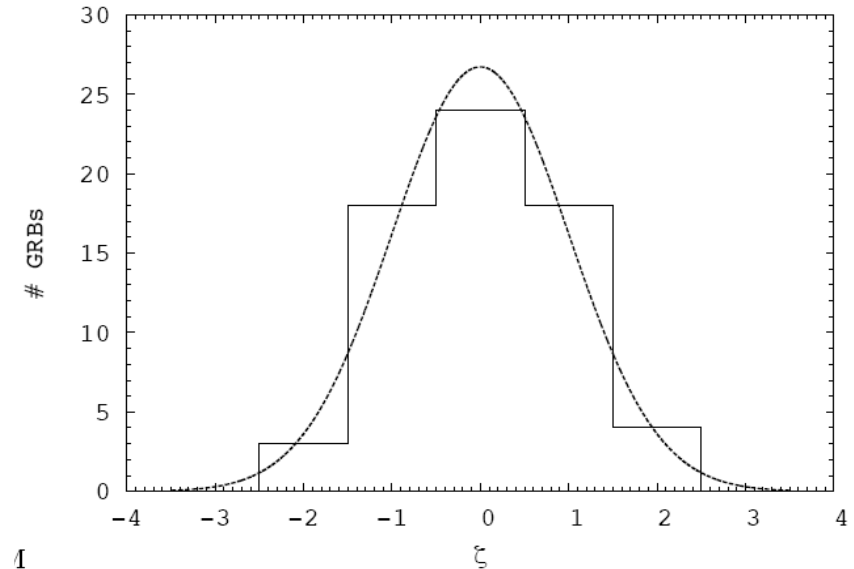
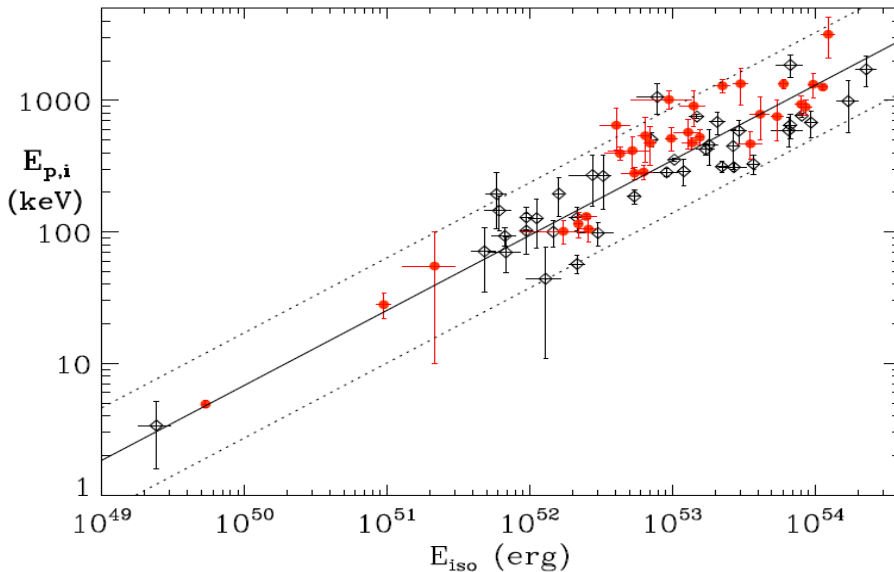
GRB cosmology through the $E_{p,i}$ - Intensity correlation

$$E_{p,i} = E_{p,obs} \times (1 + z)$$

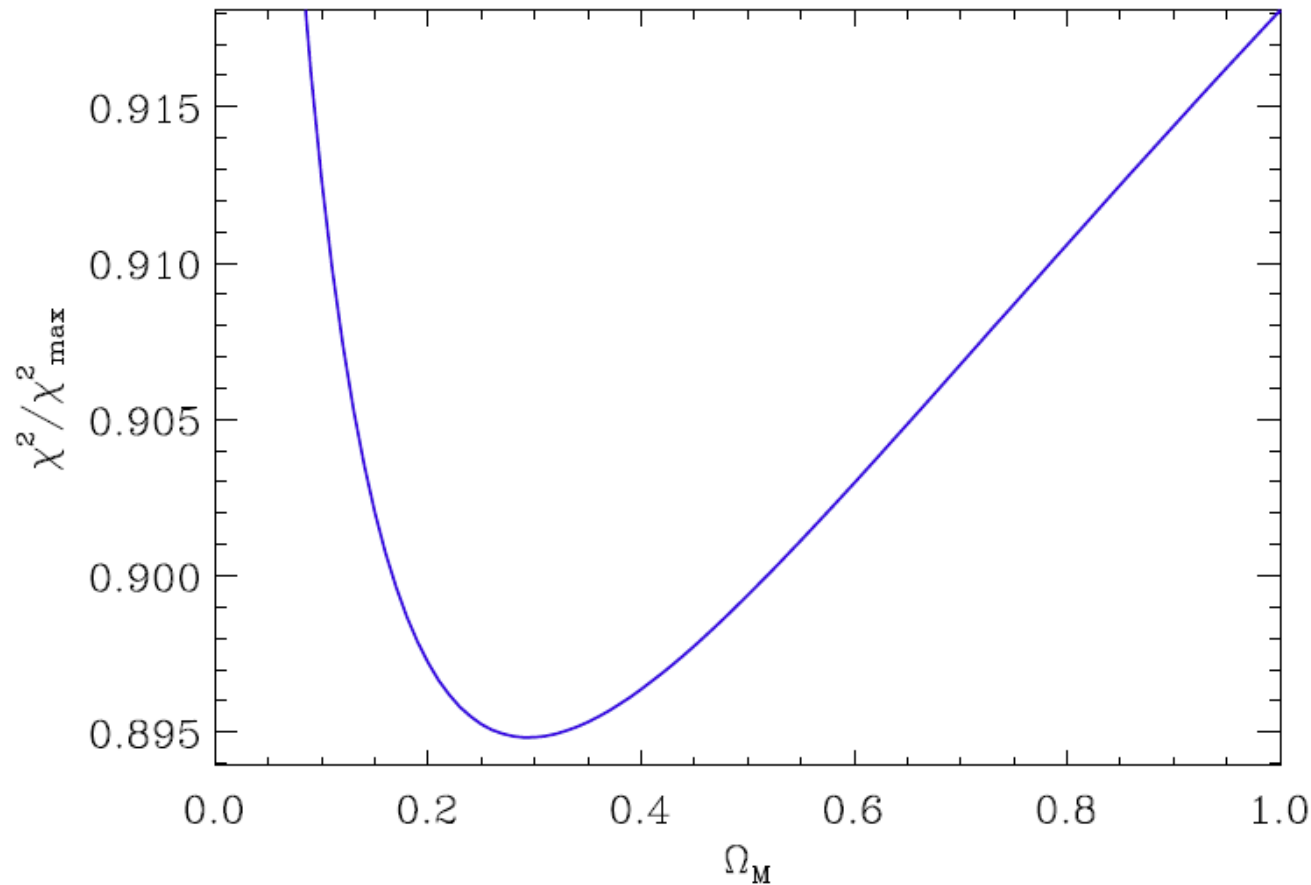
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$$D_l = D_l(z, H_0, \Omega_M, \Omega_\Lambda, \dots)$$

- not enough low- z GRBs for cosmology-independent calibration \rightarrow circularity is avoided by fitting simultaneously the parameters of the correlation and cosmological parameters
- does the extrinsic scatter and goodness of fit of the $E_{p,i}$ -Eiso correlation vary with the cosmological parameters used to compute Eiso ?



- a fraction of the extrinsic scatter of the $E_{p,i}$ - E_{iso} correlation is indeed due to the cosmological parameters used to compute E_{iso}
- Evidence, independent on SN Ia or other cosmological probes, that, if we are in a flat Λ CDM universe, Ω_M is lower than 1 and around 0.3

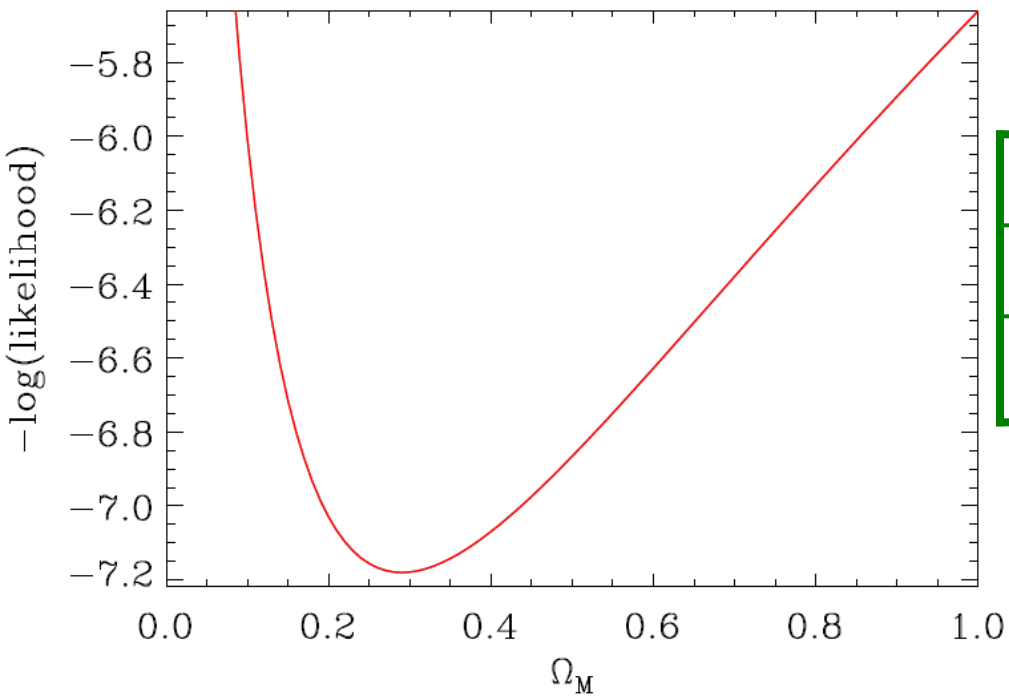


Amati et al. 2008, Amati & Della Valle 2013

- By using a maximum likelihood method the extrinsic scatter can be parametrized and quantified (e.g., Reichart 2001)

$$L(m, c, \sigma_v; \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i \log (\sigma_v^2 + \sigma_{y_i}^2 + m^2 \sigma_{x_i}^2) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_i \frac{(y_i - m x_i - c)^2}{\sigma_v^2 + \sigma_{y_i}^2 + m^2 \sigma_{x_i}^2}$$

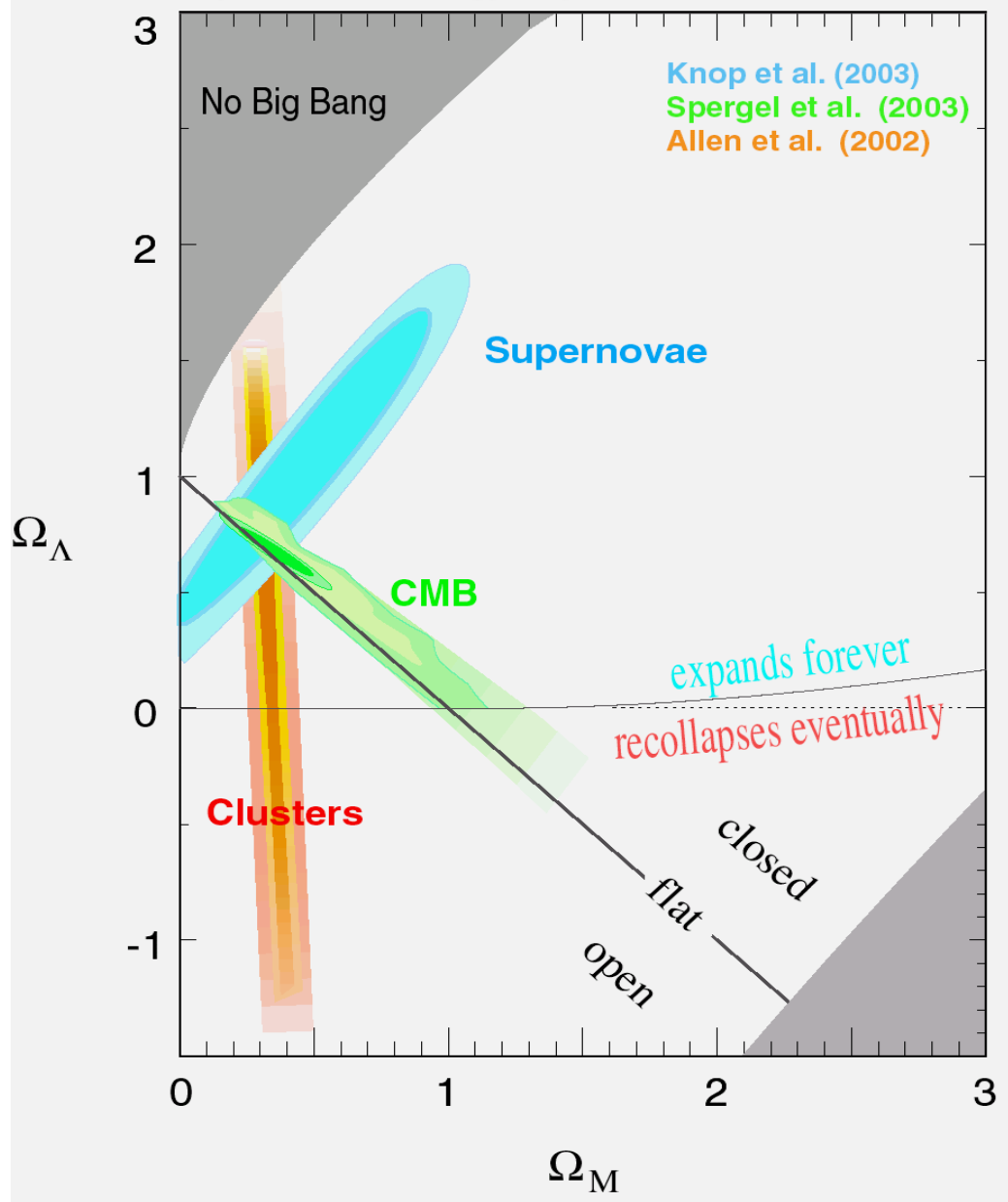
- Ω_M could be constrained (Amati+08, 70 GRBs) to 0.27 (-0.18,+0.38) at 68% c.i. for a flat Λ CDM universe ($\Omega_M = 1$ excluded at 99.9% c.i.)



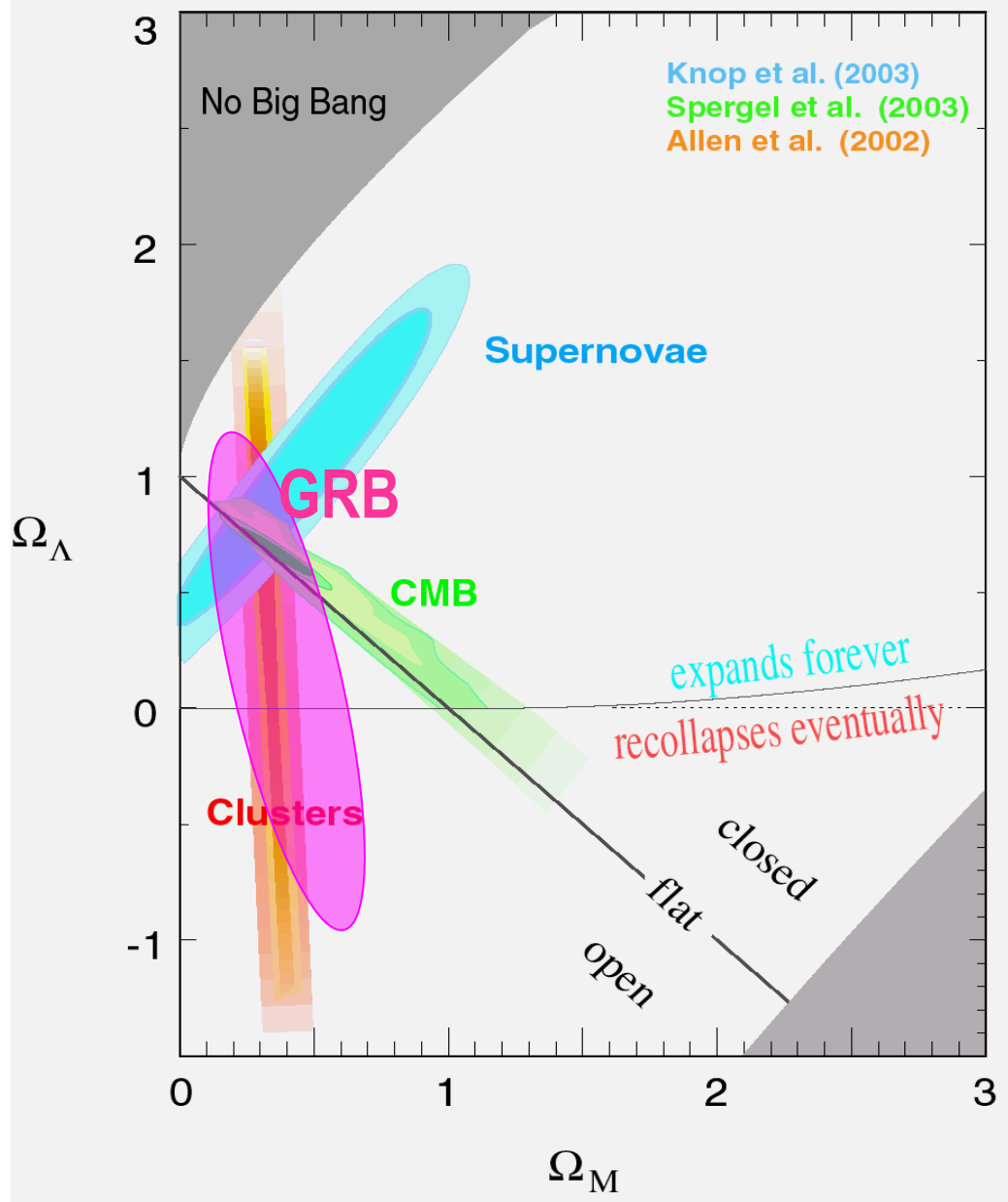
Ω_m (flat universe)	best	68%
70 GRBs (Amati+ 08)	0.27	0.09 – 0.65
193 GRBs (Amati+ 17)	0.29	0.14 – 0.57

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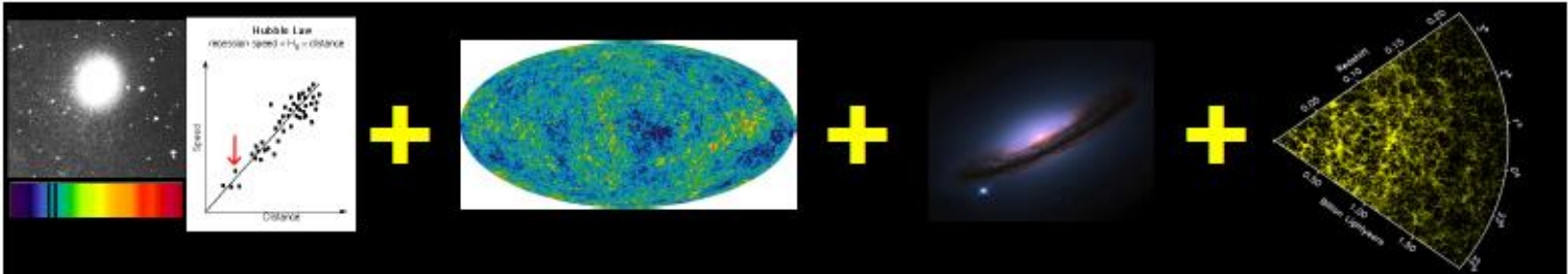
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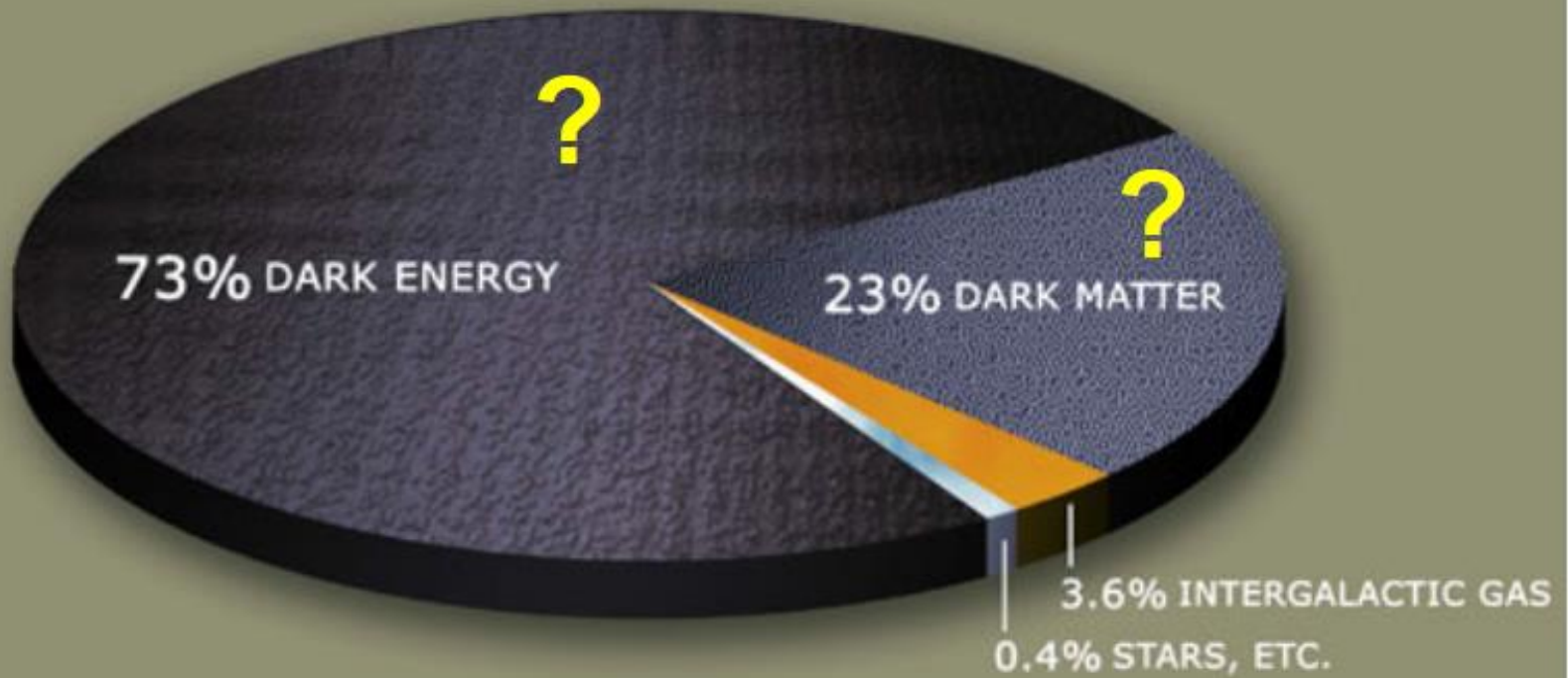
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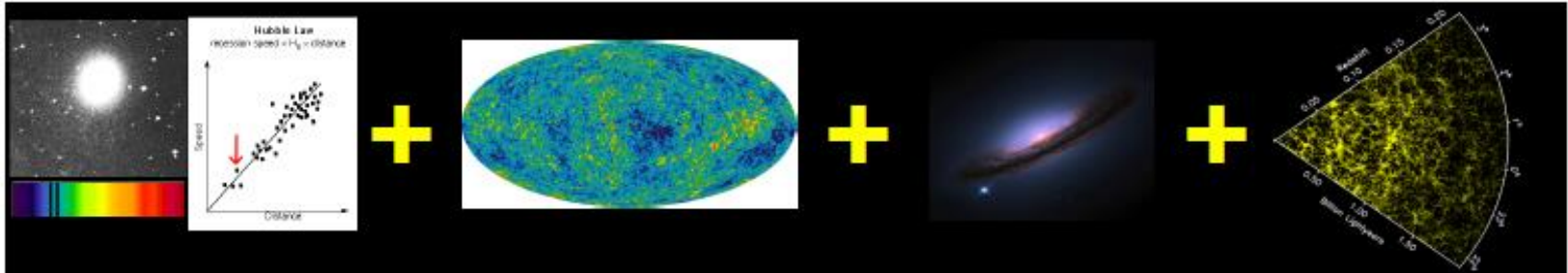
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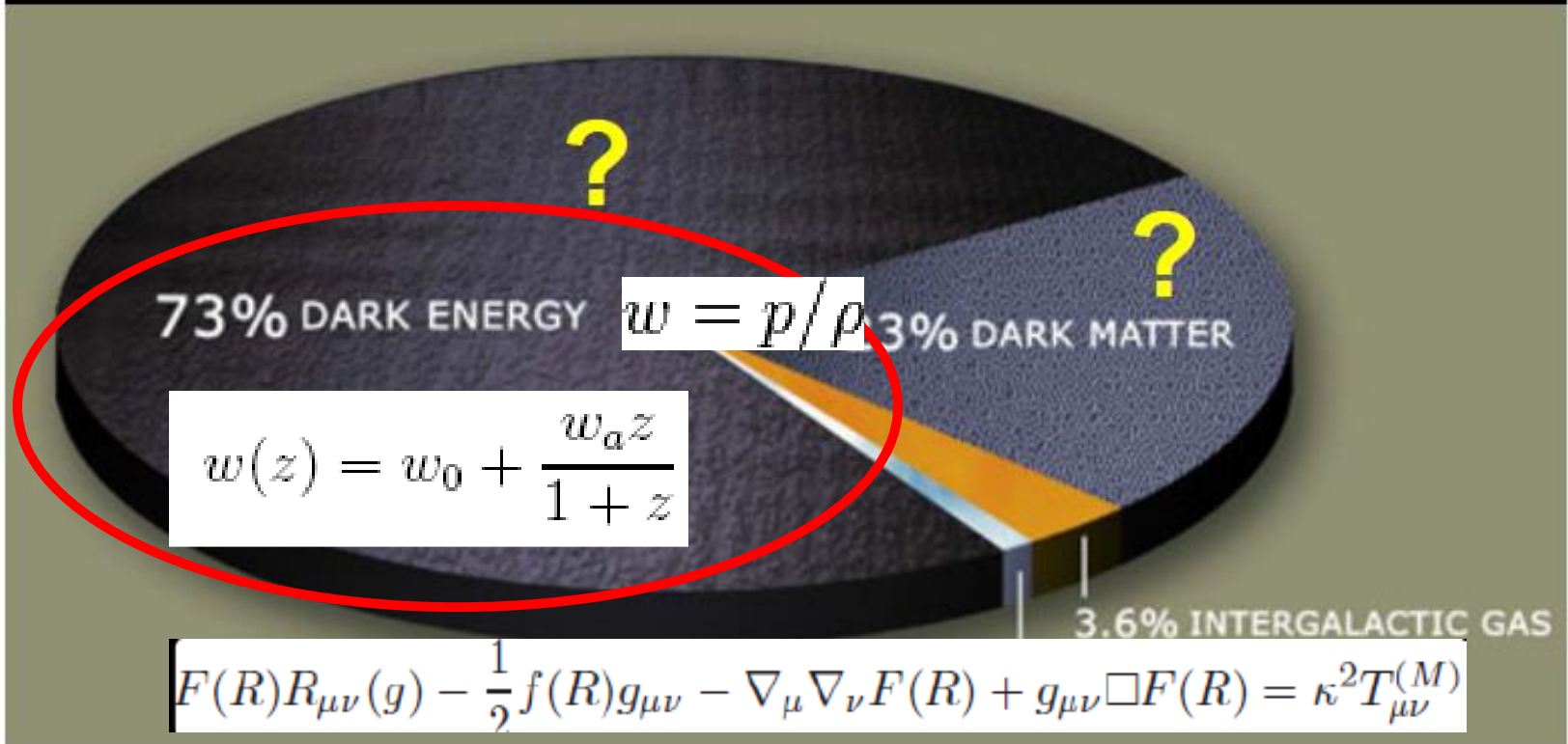
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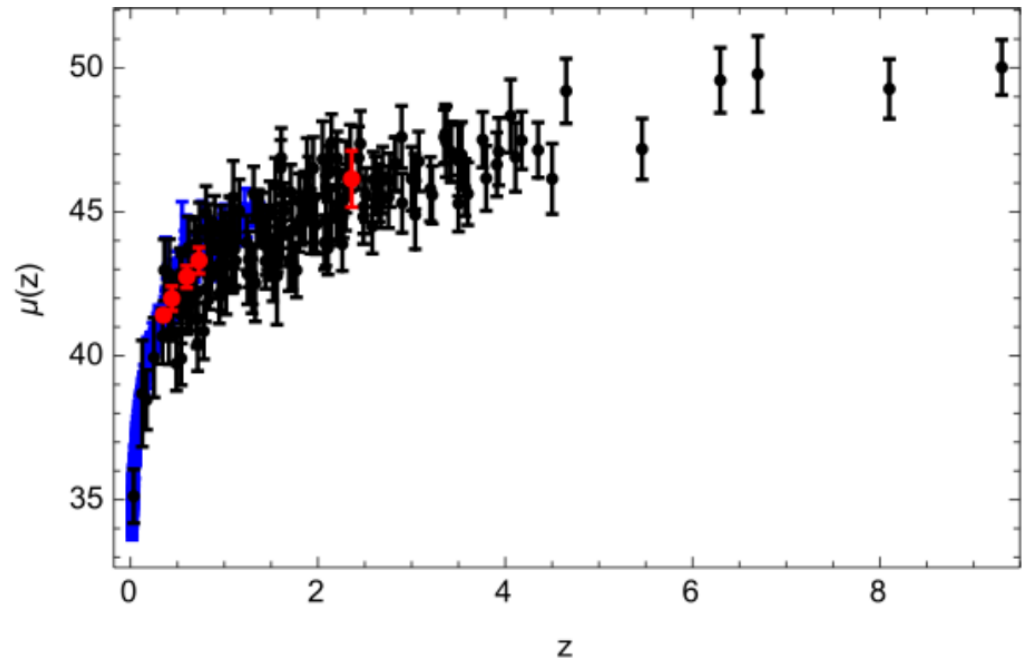
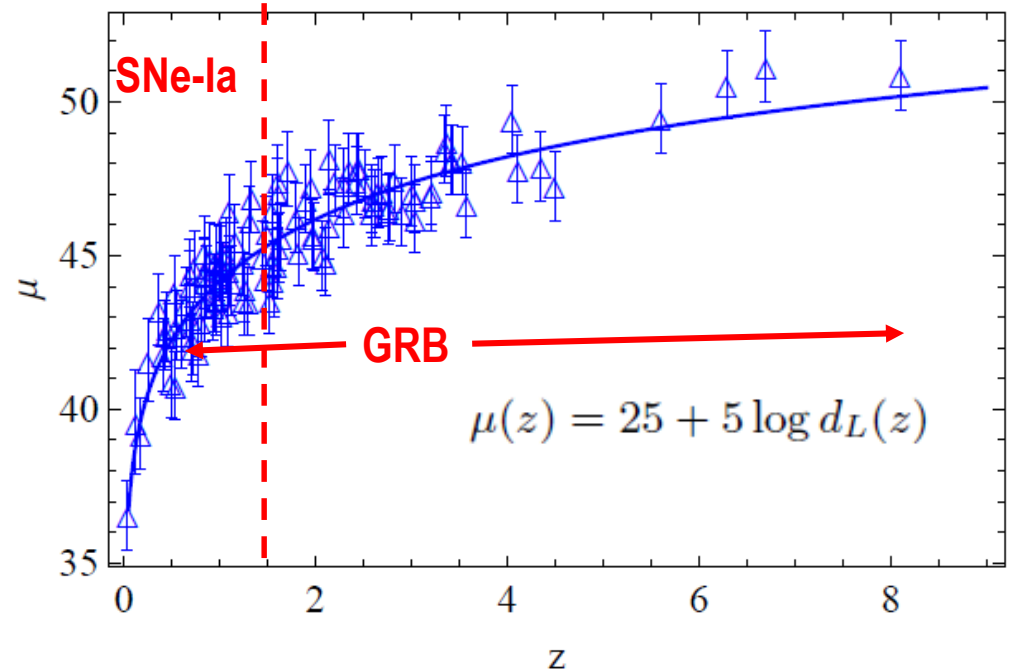
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➤ The GRB Hubble diagram extends to much higher z w/r to SNe Ia

➤ The GRB Hubble diagram is consistent with SNe Ia Hubble diagram and BAO points at low redshifts: reliability

e.g., Demianski et al. 2017



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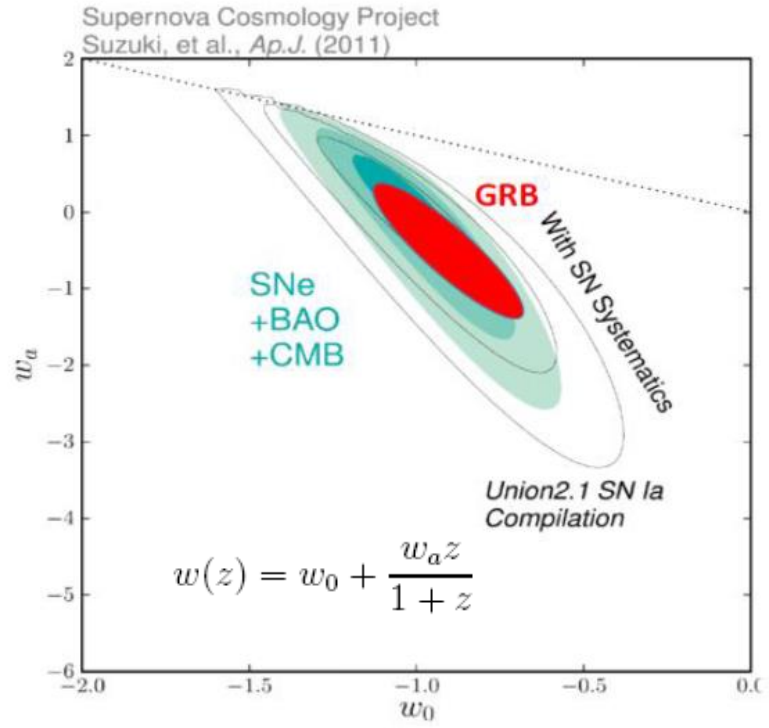
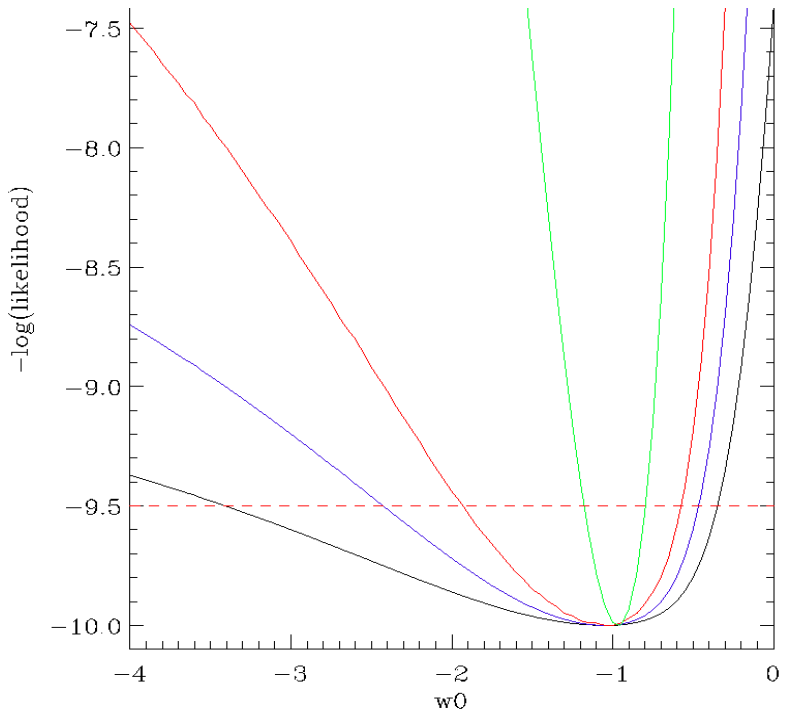
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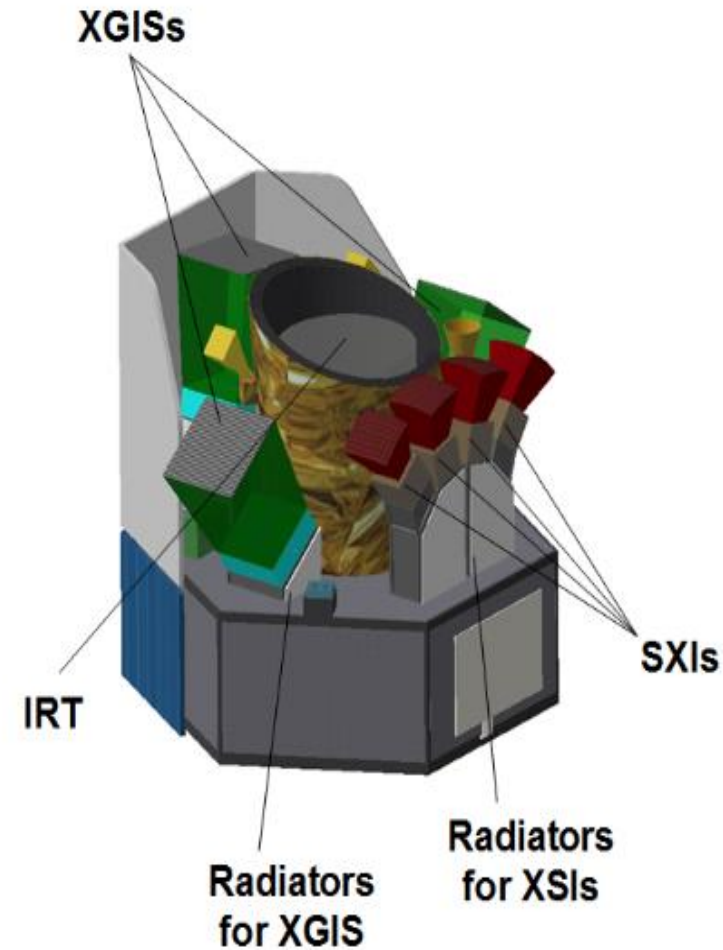
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Payload consortium: Italy, UK, France, Germany, Switzerland, Spain, Poland, Czech Republic, Ireland, Hungary, Slovenia , ESA

Interested international partners: USA, China, Brazil

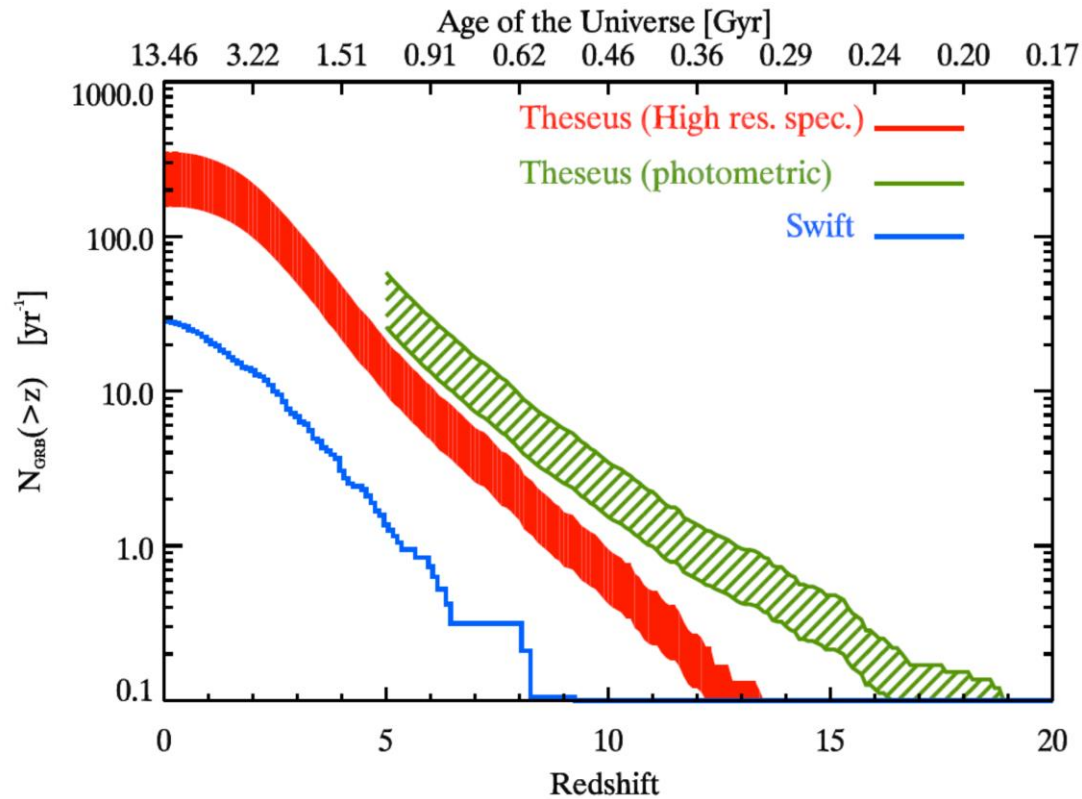
THESEUS payload

- ❑ **Soft X-ray Imager (SXI):** a set of four sensitive lobster-eye telescopes observing in 0.3 - 5 keV band, total FOV of ~ 1 sr with source location accuracy $< 1-2'$;
- ❑ **X-Gamma rays Imaging Spectrometer (XGIS,):** 3 coded-mask X-gamma ray cameras using bars of Silicon diodes coupled with CsI crystal scintillators observing in 2 keV – 10 MeV band, a FOV of ~ 2 sr, overlapping the SXI, with $\sim 5'$ source location accuracy;
- ❑ **InfraRed Telescope (IRT):** a 0.7m class IR telescope observing in the 0.7 – 1.8 μm band, providing a $10' \times 10'$ FOV, with both imaging and moderate resolution spectroscopy capabilities



LEO ($< 5^\circ$, ~ 600 km)
Rapid slewing bus
Prompt downlink

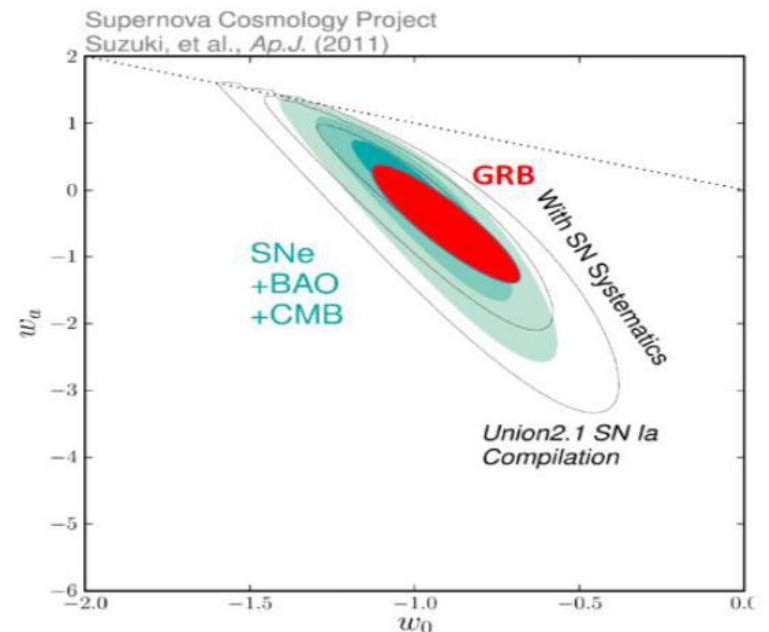
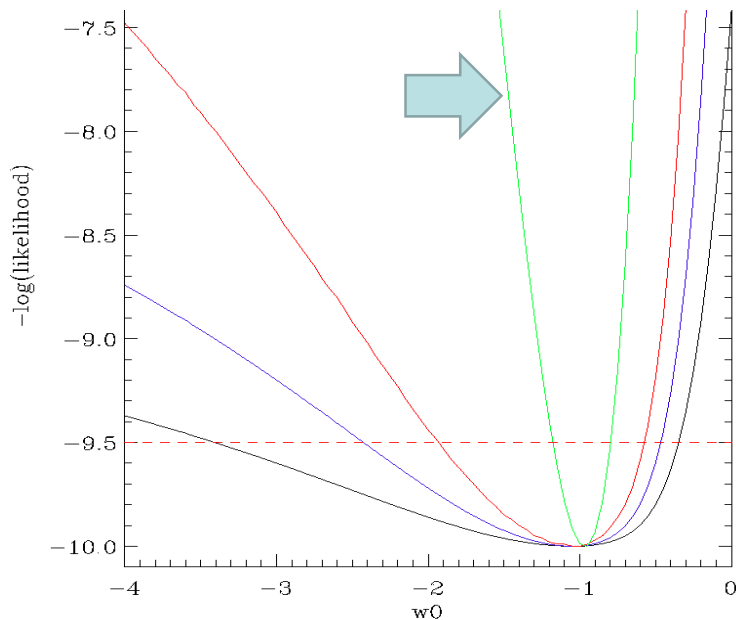
Unveiling the high-z GRB population with THESEUS



THESEUS GRB#/yr	All	$z > 5$	$z > 8$	$z > 10$
Detections	387 - 870	25 - 60	4 - 10	2 - 4
Photometric z		25 - 60	4 - 10	2 - 4
Spectroscopic z	156 - 350	10 - 20	1 - 3	0.5 - 1

Shedding light on the dark energy with THESEUS

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Conclusions

- Given their huge radiated energies and redshift distribution extending from ~ 0.1 up to > 9 , GRBs, besides being the most relativistic sources in the Universe, are potentially a very powerful cosmological probe, complementary to other probes (e.g., SN Ia, clusters, BAO)
- The $E_{p,i}$ – intensity correlation is a promising tool for “standardizing” GRBs for measuring cosmological parameters: recent analyses provide already evidence, independent on , e.g., SN Ia, that if we live in a flat Λ CDM universe, Ω_m is ~ 0.3 , consistent with “standard” cosmology)
- Future GRB experiments and investigations will allow to get clues on “dark energy” EOS (cosmological constant vs “quintessence”, etc.) and its evolution, and testing alternative, e.g., $f(R)$, cosmologies.
- The THESEUS mission (submitted to ESA/M5 by an Italy-led European collaboration, with interest of USA, China, Brazil) will also fully exploit GRBs as powerful and unique tools to investigate D.E. and early universe
- ❖ Researcher from worldwide institutions already provided their support to THESEUS/M4). Please, provide your interest / support to amati@iasfbo.inaf.it or through the THESEUS web-site: <http://www.isdc.unige.ch/theseus/>

Shedding light on the early Universe with THESEUS (P01)

