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- Main results :

Interpretation of temporal structure of GRBs.

Relation between inhomogeneities of ISM and temporal variability of light curve.

Thermal distribution of radiation in comoving system of the expanding plasma.

Canonical X-ray afterglow light curve of Swift

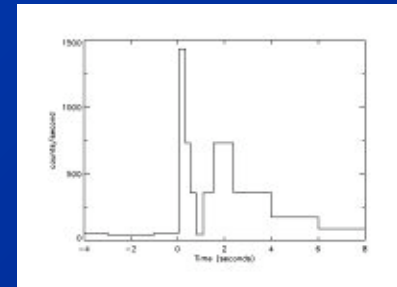
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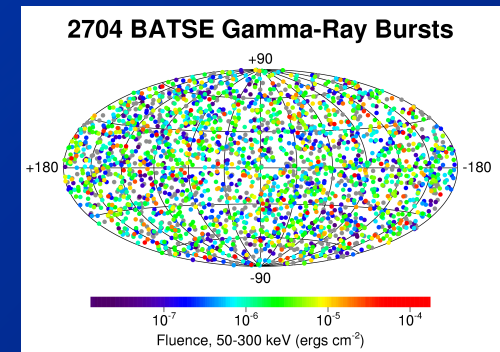
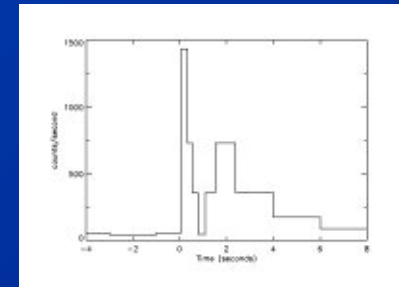
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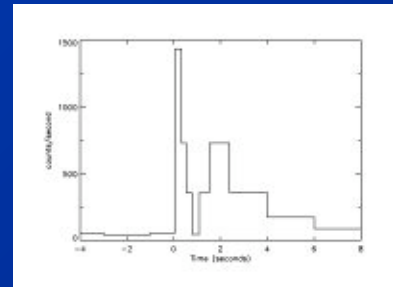
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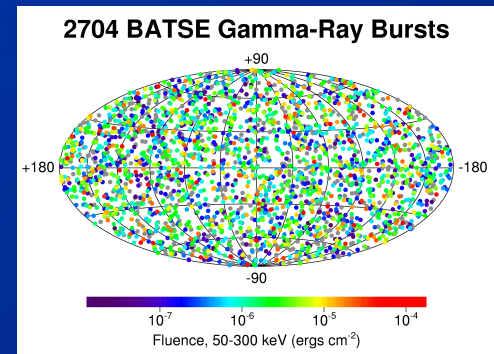
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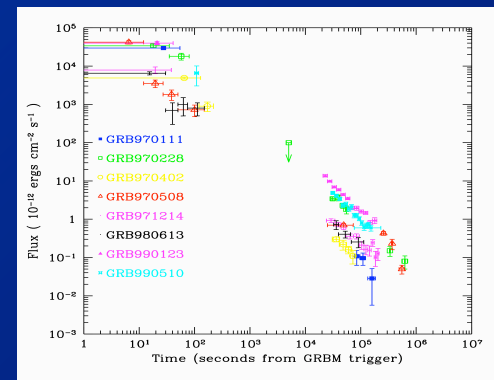
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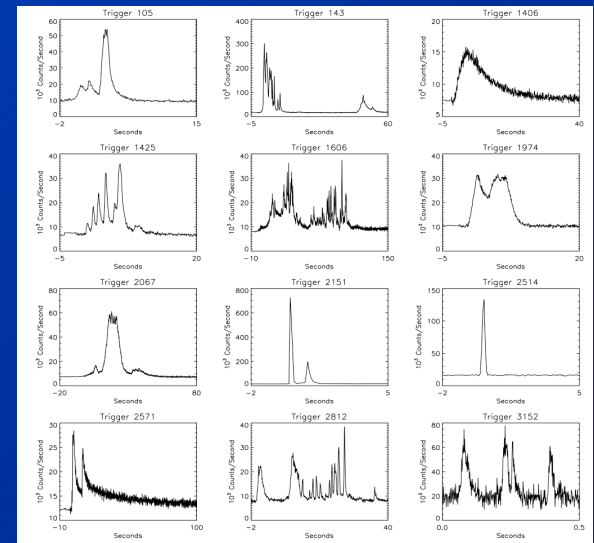
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1. discovery of **afterglow** *X*
2. cosmological distance (*z* order of 1)



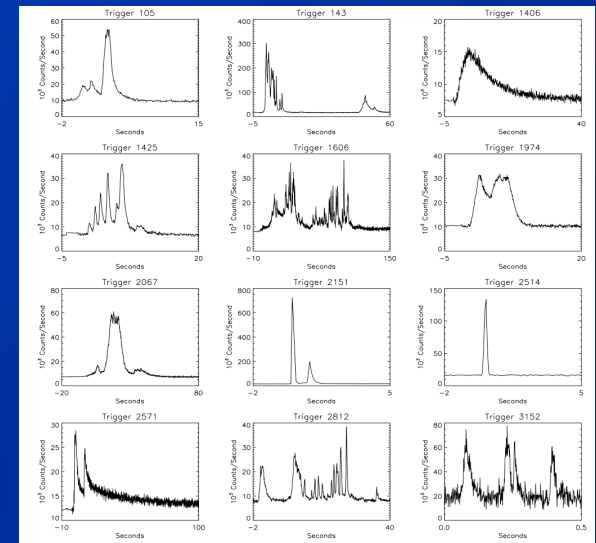
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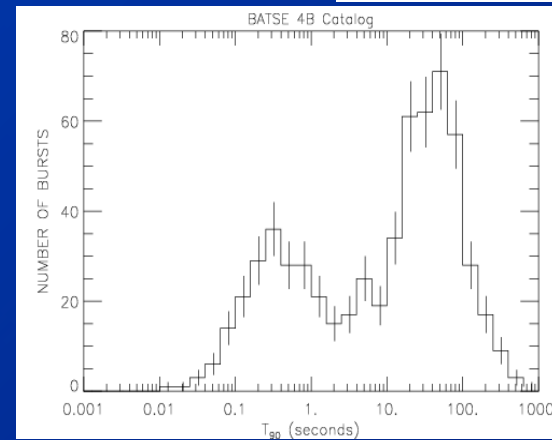


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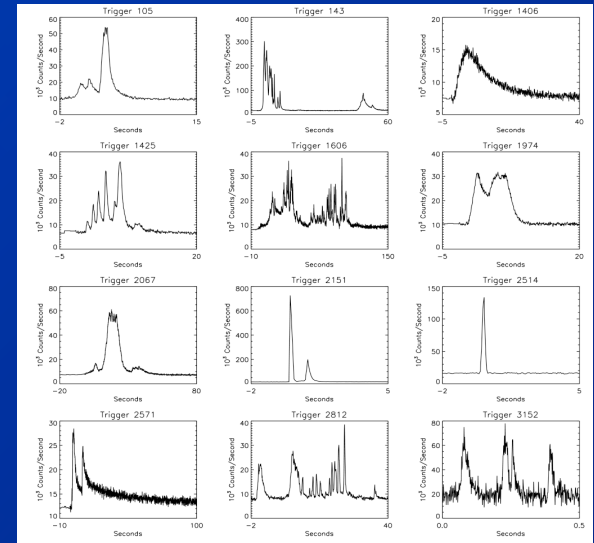


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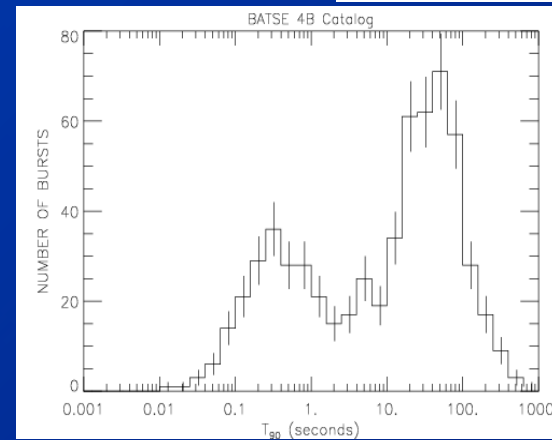


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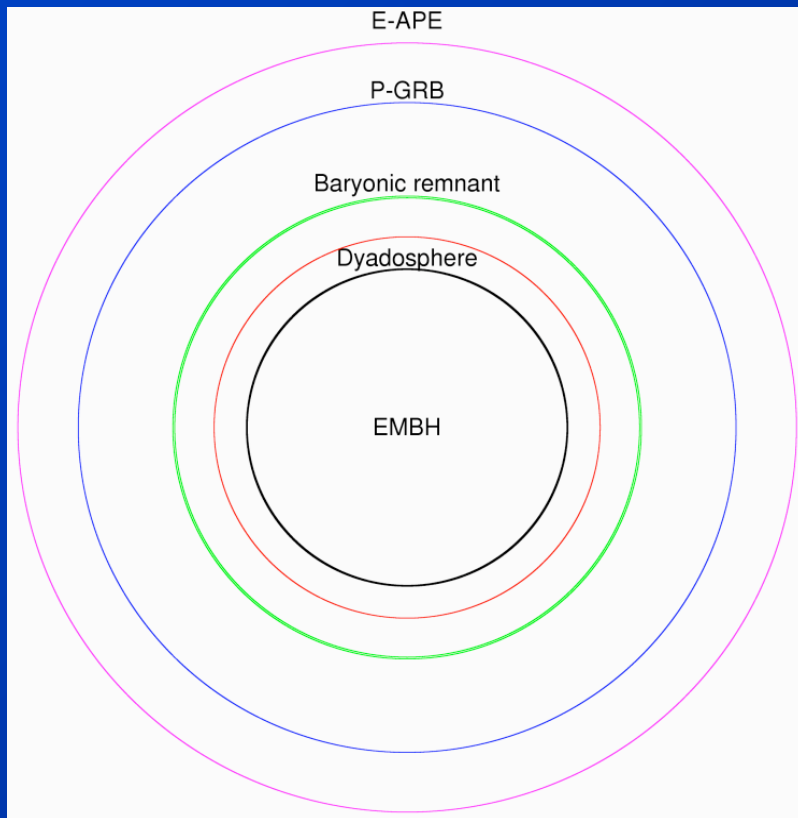
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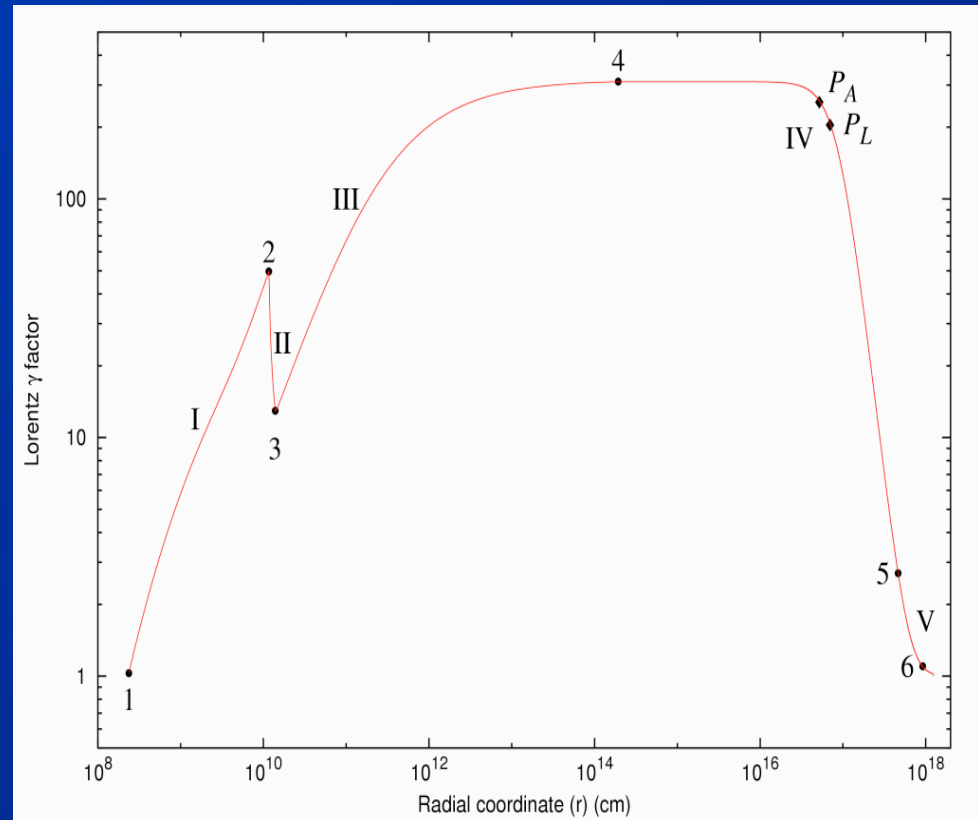
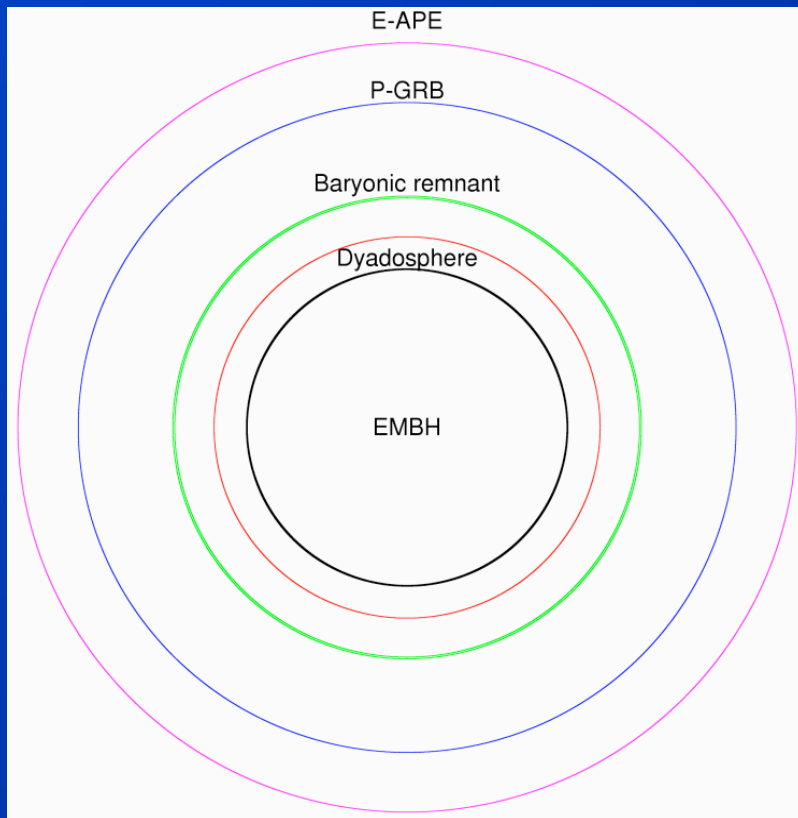
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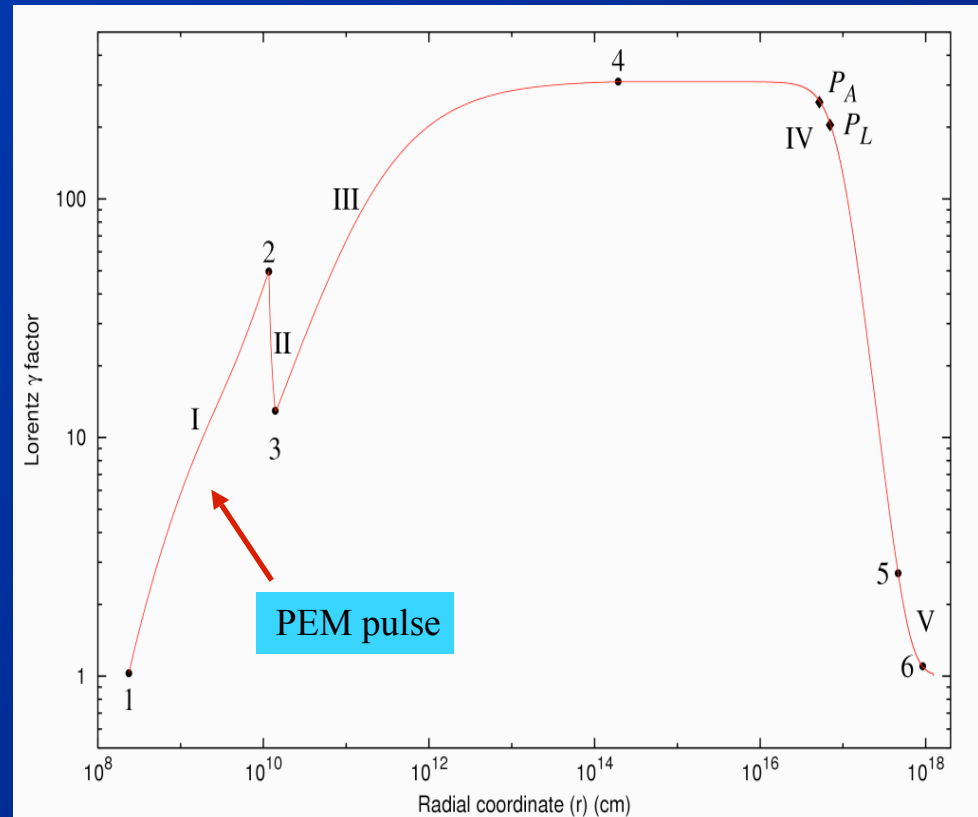
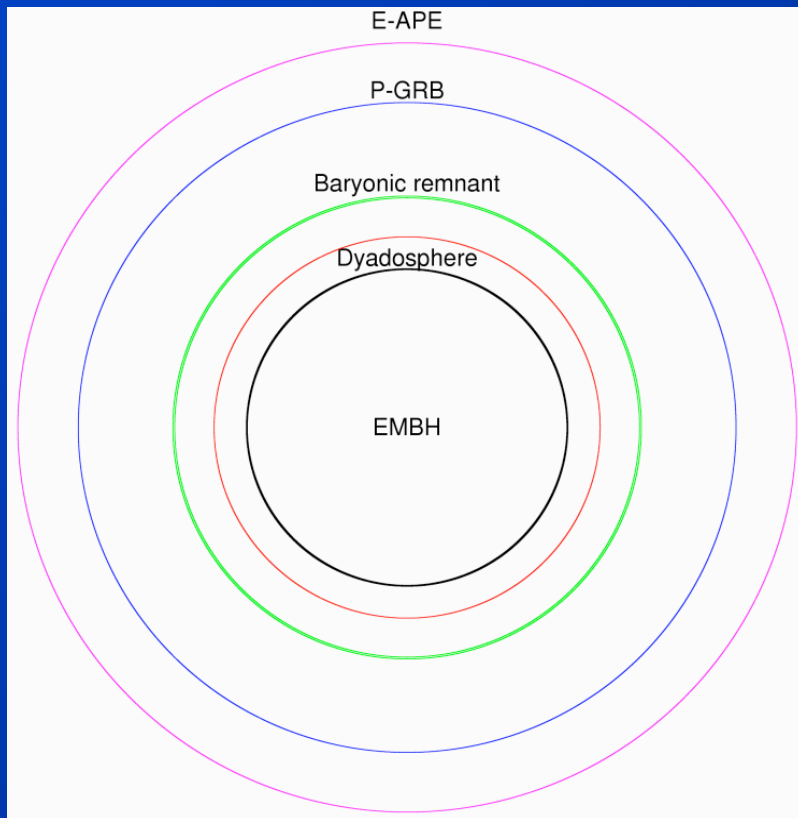
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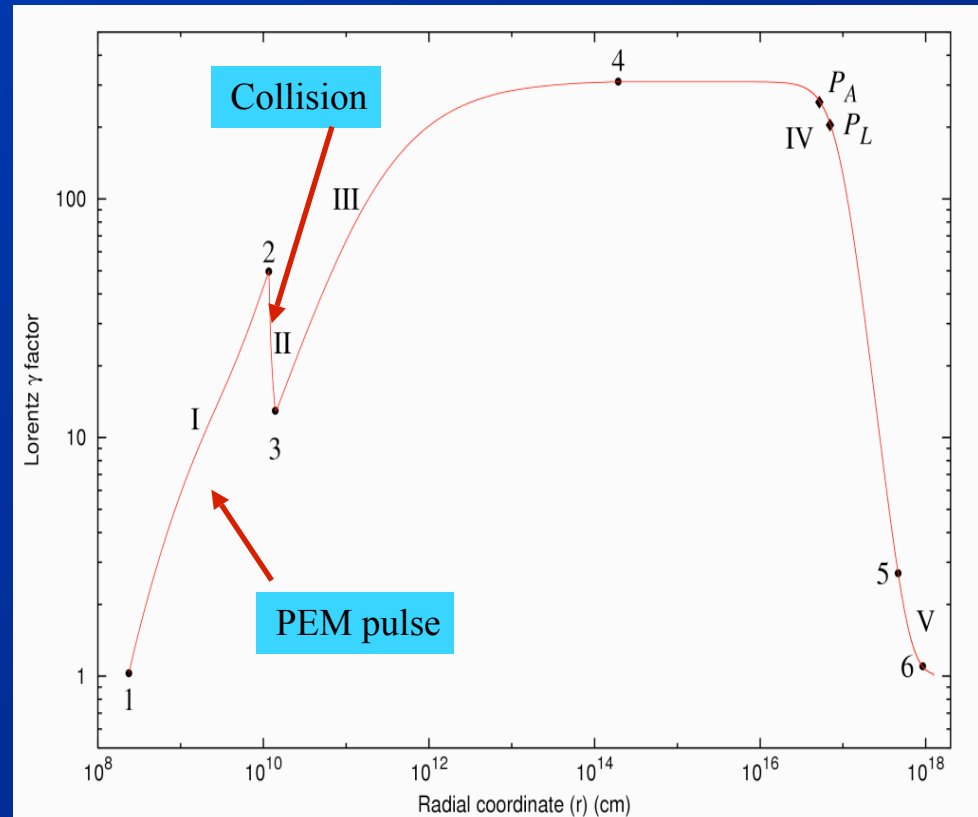
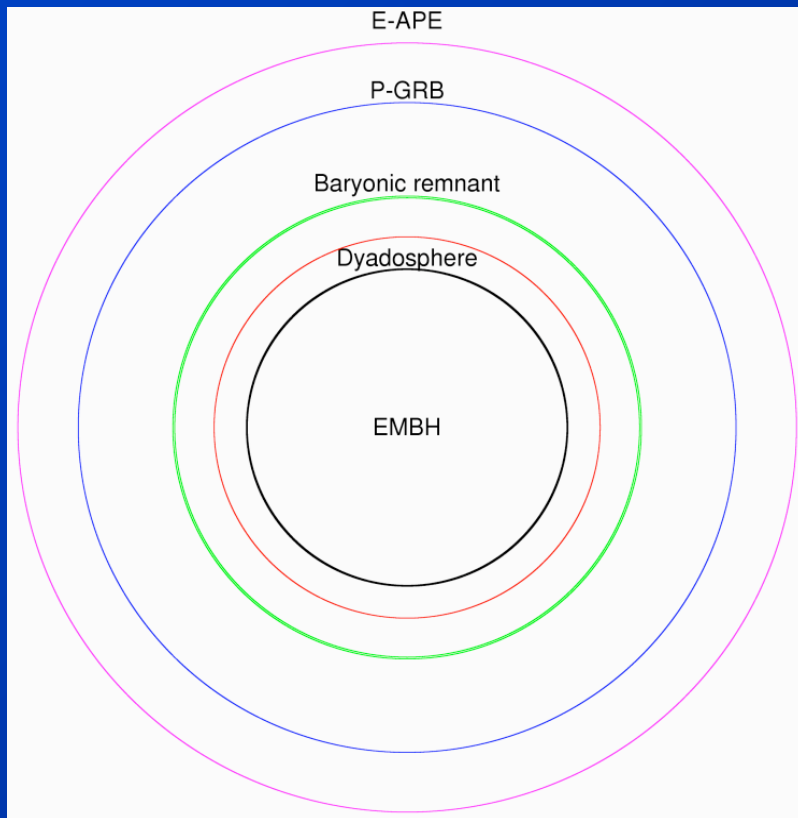
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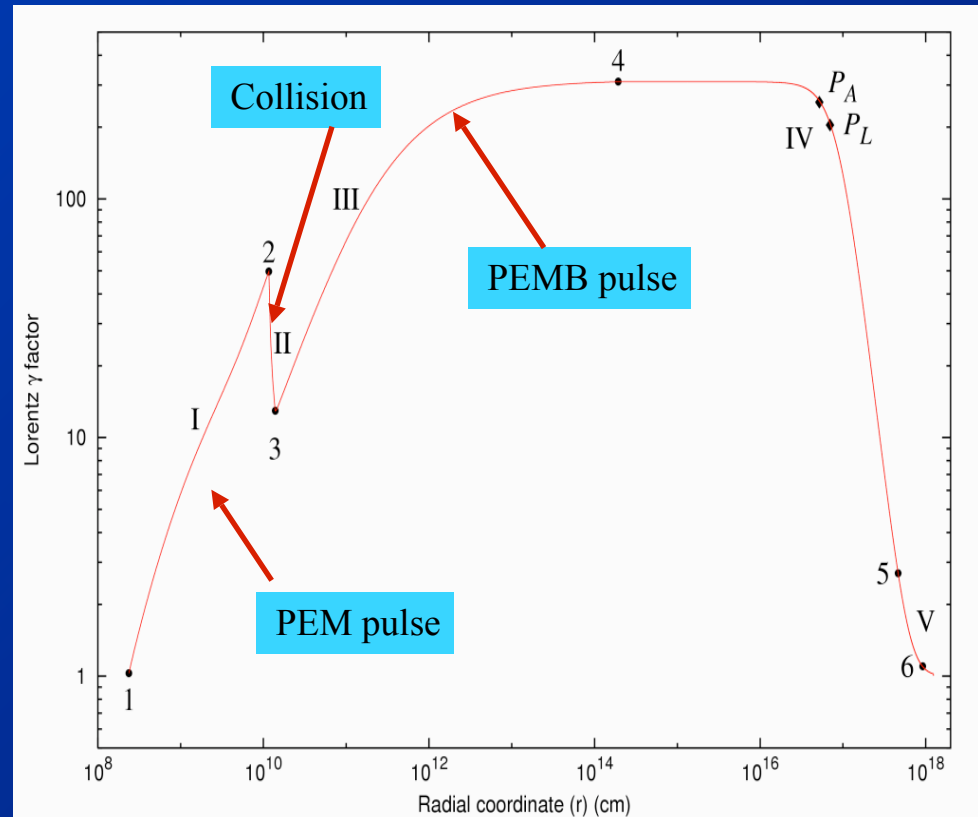
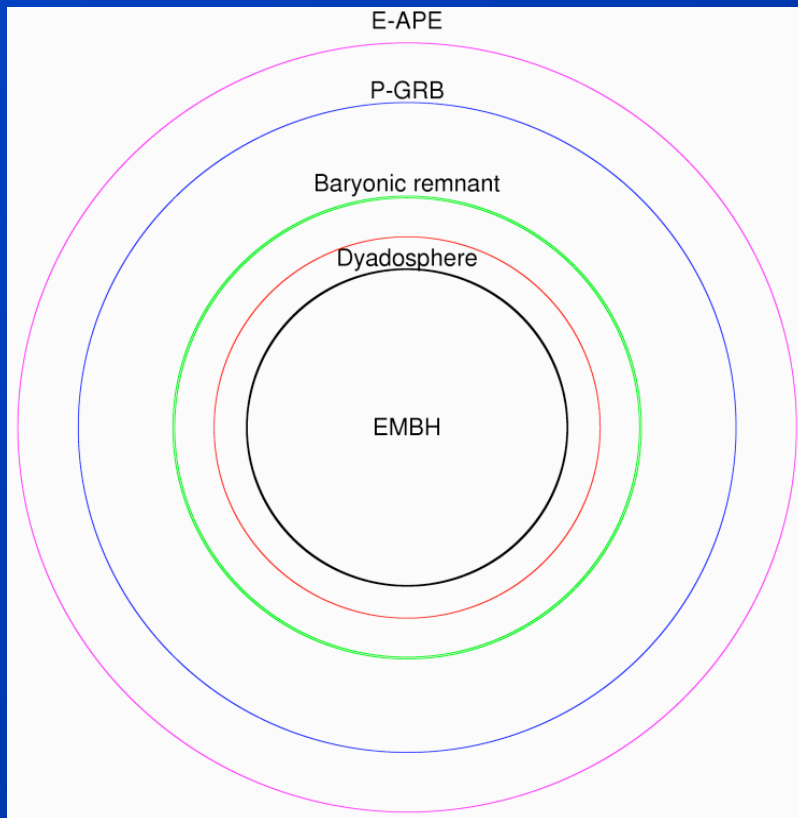
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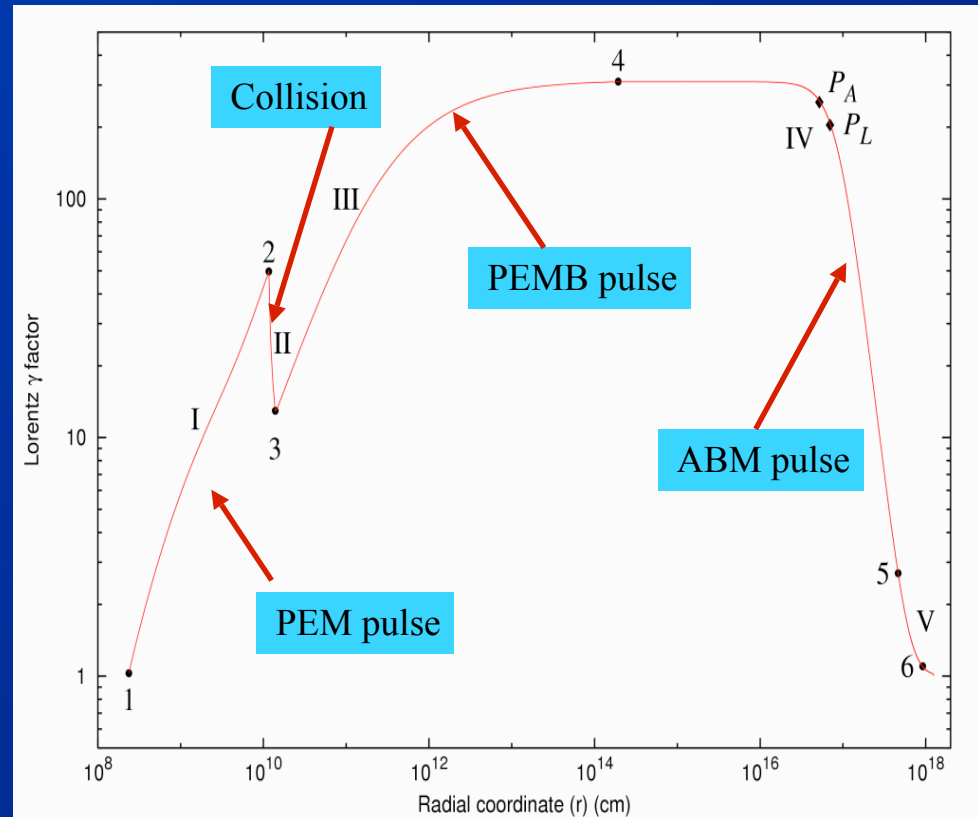
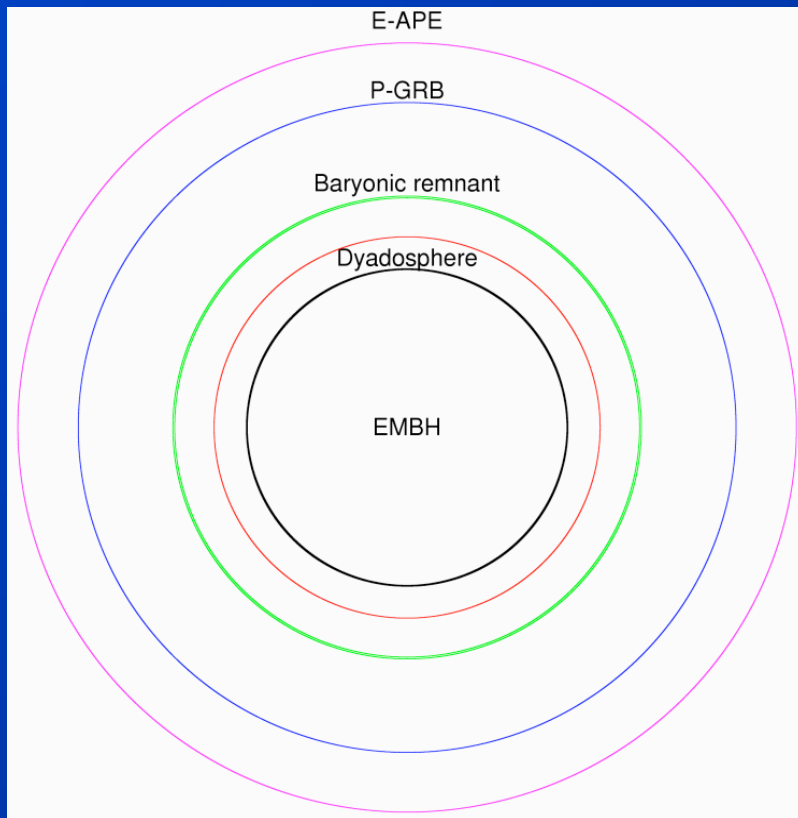
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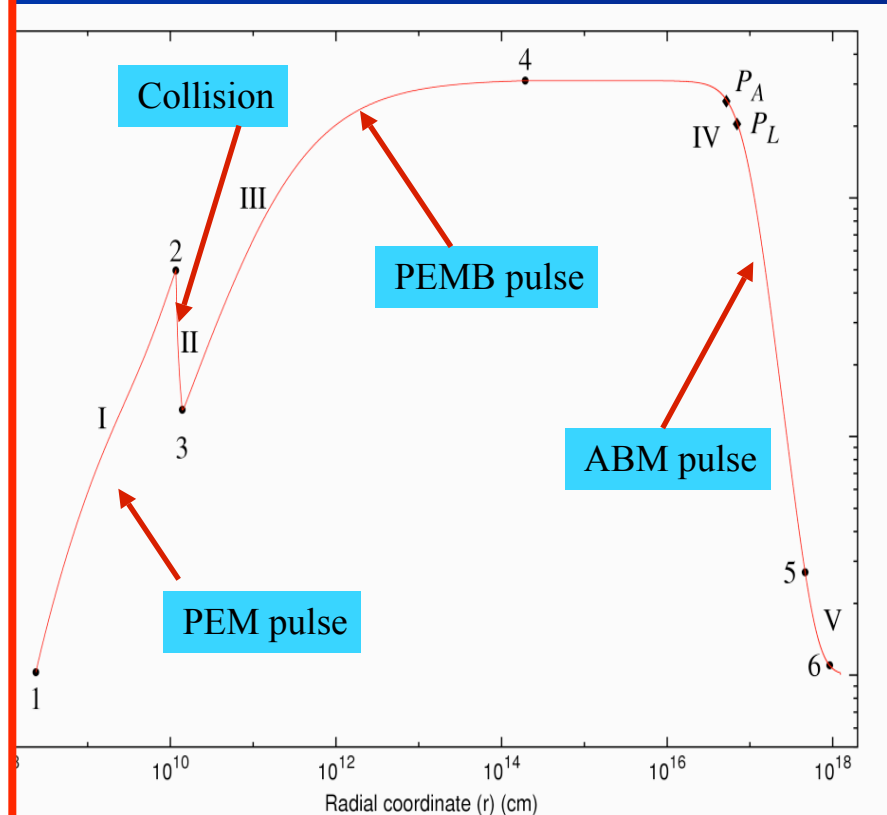
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Point	$r(cm)$	$\tau(s)$	$t(s)$	$t_u(s)$	$t_u^d(s)$	γ	"Superluminal" $v \equiv \frac{r}{t_{\text{ref}}}$
The Injector Phase							
1	2.354×10^8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.000	0
	1.871×10^9	1.550×10^{-2}	5.886×10^{-2}	4.312×10^{-3}	8.625×10^{-3}	10.08	7.23c
	4.486×10^9	2.141×10^{-2}	1.463×10^{-1}	4.523×10^{-4}	9.046×10^{-3}	20.26	16.5c
	7.080×10^9	2.485×10^{-2}	2.329×10^{-1}	4.594×10^{-3}	9.187×10^{-3}	30.46	25.7c
	9.533×10^9	2.715×10^{-2}	3.148×10^{-1}	4.627×10^{-3}	9.253×10^{-3}	40.74	34.4c
	1.162×10^{10}	2.868×10^{-2}	3.845×10^{-1}	4.644×10^{-3}	9.288×10^{-3}	49.70	41.7c
2	1.162×10^{10}	2.868×10^{-2}	3.845×10^{-1}	4.644×10^{-3}	9.288×10^{-3}	49.70	41.7c
	1.186×10^{10}	2.889×10^{-2}	3.923×10^{-1}	4.646×10^{-3}	9.292×10^{-3}	38.06	42.6c
	1.234×10^{10}	2.949×10^{-2}	4.083×10^{-1}	4.655×10^{-3}	9.311×10^{-3}	24.21	44.2c
	1.335×10^{10}	3.144×10^{-2}	4.423×10^{-1}	4.706×10^{-3}	9.413×10^{-3}	15.14	47.3c
	1.389×10^{10}	3.279×10^{-2}	4.603×10^{-1}	4.753×10^{-3}	9.506×10^{-3}	12.94	48.7c
3	1.389×10^{10}	3.279×10^{-2}	4.603×10^{-1}	4.753×10^{-3}	9.506×10^{-3}	12.94	48.7c
	2.326×10^{10}	5.208×10^{-2}	7.733×10^{-1}	5.369×10^{-3}	1.074×10^{-2}	20.09	72.2c
	6.913×10^{10}	9.694×10^{-2}	2.304	6.086×10^{-3}	1.217×10^{-2}	50.66	$1.89 \times 10^2 c$
	1.861×10^{11}	1.486×10^{-1}	6.206	6.446×10^{-3}	1.289×10^{-2}	100.1	$4.82 \times 10^2 c$
	9.629×10^{11}	3.112×10^{-1}	32.12	6.978×10^{-3}	1.396×10^{-2}	200.3	$2.30 \times 10^3 c$
	3.958	1.069×10^3	1.343×10^{-2}	1.685×10^{-2}	300.1	$3.98 \times 10^4 c$	
	1.943×10^{14}	21.57	6.481×10^3	4.206×10^{-2}	8.413×10^{-2}	310.1	$7.70 \times 10^4 c$
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4	1.943×10^{14}	21.57	6.481×10^3	4.206×10^{-2}	8.413×10^{-2}	310.1	$7.70 \times 10^4 c$
	6.663×10^{15}	7.982×10^2	6.481×10^3	1.164	2.328	310.0	$9.55 \times 10^4 c$
	2.863×10^{16}	3.114×10^3	9.549×10^5	5.057	10.11	300.0	$9.45 \times 10^4 c$
	4.692×10^{16}	5.241×10^3	1.565×10^6	8.775	17.55	270.0	$8.92 \times 10^4 c$
	5.177×10^{16}	5.853×10^3	1.727×10^6	9.933	19.87	258.5	$8.69 \times 10^4 c$
	5.878×10^{16}	6.791×10^3	1.961×10^6	11.82	23.63	240.0	$8.30 \times 10^4 c$
	6.580×10^{16}	7.811×10^3	2.195×10^6	14.03	28.06	220.0	$7.82 \times 10^4 c$
	7.025×10^{16}	8.506×10^3	2.343×10^6	15.66	31.32	207.0	$7.48 \times 10^4 c$
	7.262×10^{16}	8.895×10^3	2.422×10^6	16.61	33.23	200.0	$7.29 \times 10^4 c$
	9.058×10^{16}	1.236×10^4	3.021×10^6	26.66	53.32	150.0	$5.67 \times 10^4 c$
	1.136×10^{17}	1.866×10^4	3.788×10^6	52.84	1.057×10^2	100.0	$3.58 \times 10^4 c$
	1.539×10^{17}	3.819×10^4	5.134×10^6	2.000×10^2	4.000×10^2	50.02	$1.28 \times 10^4 c$
	2.801×10^{17}	2.622×10^5	9.351×10^6	7.278×10^3	1.455×10^4	10.00	$6.42 \times 10^2 c$
	3.624×10^{17}	6.702×10^5	1.213×10^7	3.860×10^4	7.719×10^4	5.001	$1.57 \times 10^2 c$
	4.454×10^{17}	1.433×10^6	1.500×10^7	1.439×10^5	2.877×10^5	2.998	51.6c
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	4.830×10^{17}	1.928×10^6	1.635×10^7	2.381×10^5	4.762×10^5	2.500	33.8c
	5.390×10^{17}	2.873×10^6	1.844×10^7	4.643×10^5	9.285×10^5	2.000	19.4c
	6.422×10^{17}	5.387×10^6	2.271×10^7	1.291×10^6	2.581×10^6	1.500	8.30c
	1.034×10^{18}	2.903×10^7	5.002×10^7	1.552×10^7	3.103×10^7	1.054	1.11c
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	1.202×10^{18}	4.979×10^7	7.150×10^7	3.140×10^7	6.280×10^7	1.025	$6.38 \times 10^{-1} c$
F	1.248×10^{18}	5.706×10^7	7.894×10^7	3.731×10^7	7.461×10^7	1.000	$5.58 \times 10^{-1} c$



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E_{dya} is the total energy emitted by source

$B = M_B c^2 / E_{\text{dya}}$ parametrizes baryonic matter protostellar not collapsed

$R = A_{\text{eff}} / A_{\text{tot}}$ indicates the porosity of interstellar medium

$\langle n_{\text{ism}} \rangle$ is the particle number density of interstellar medium

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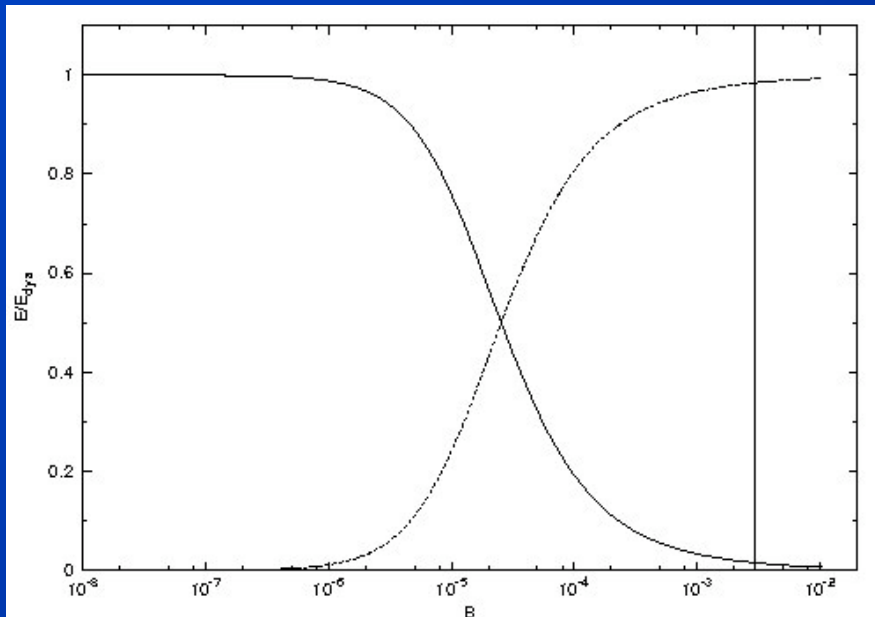
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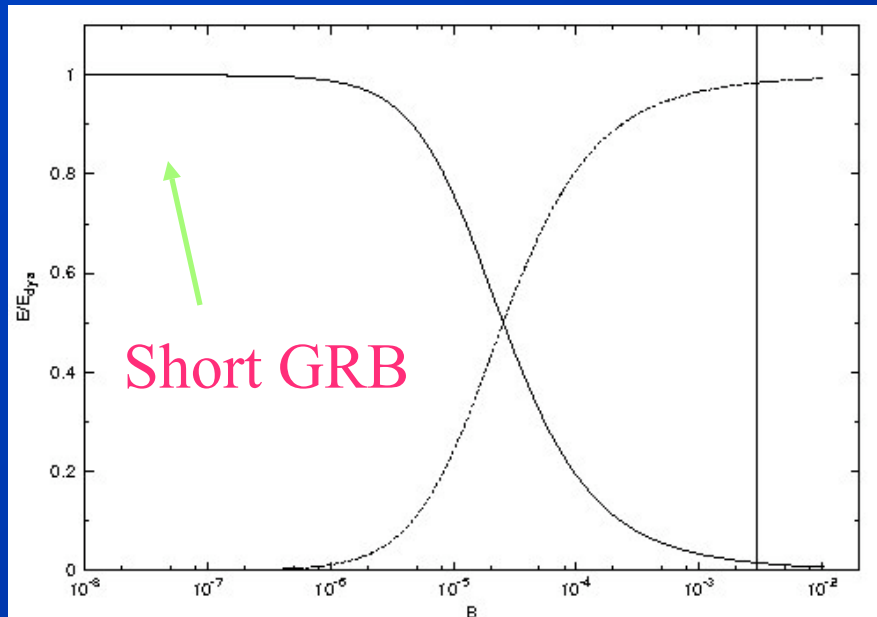


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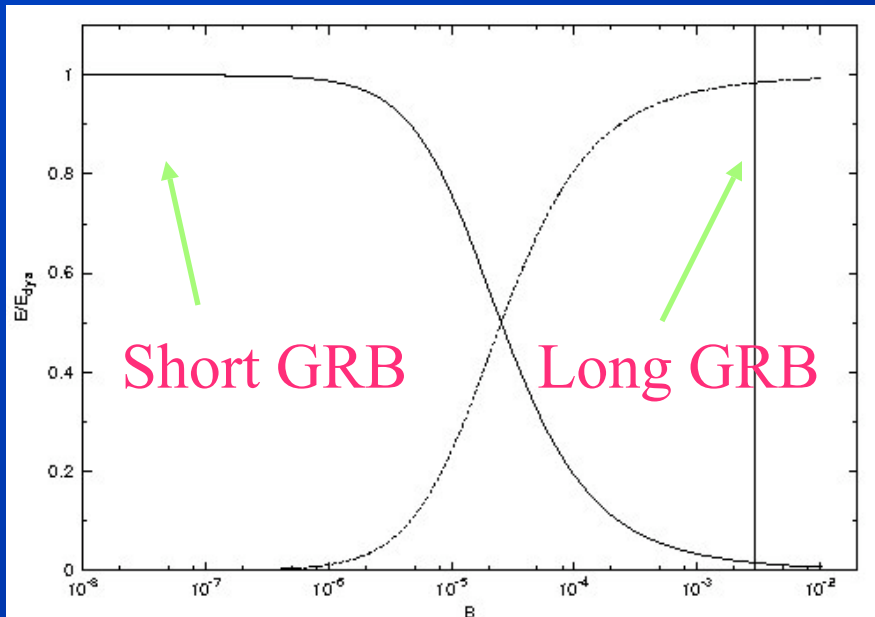


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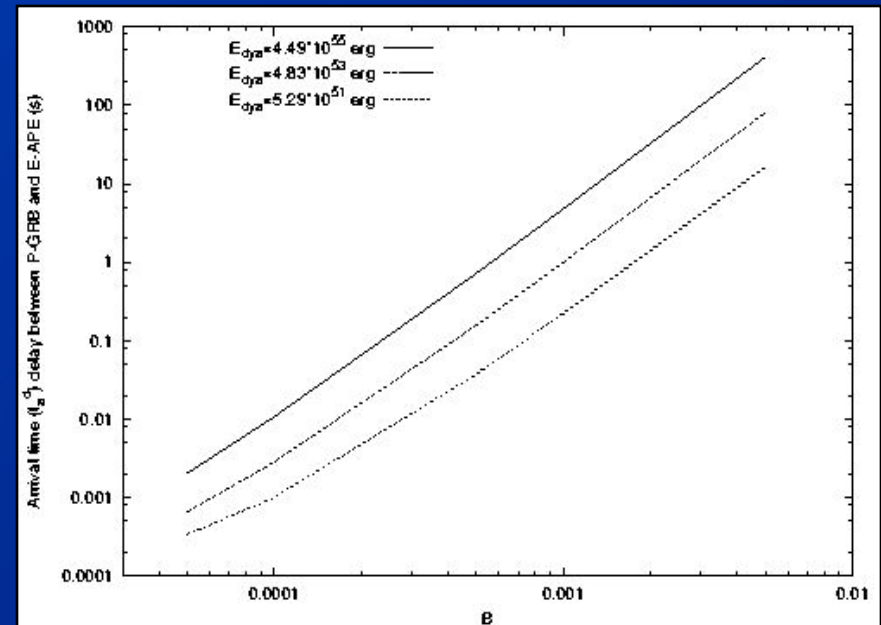
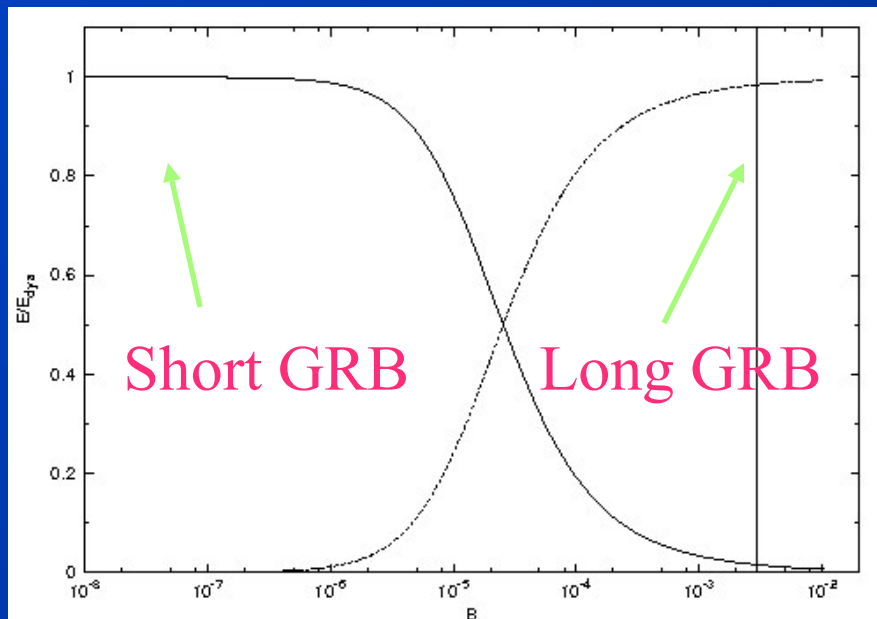


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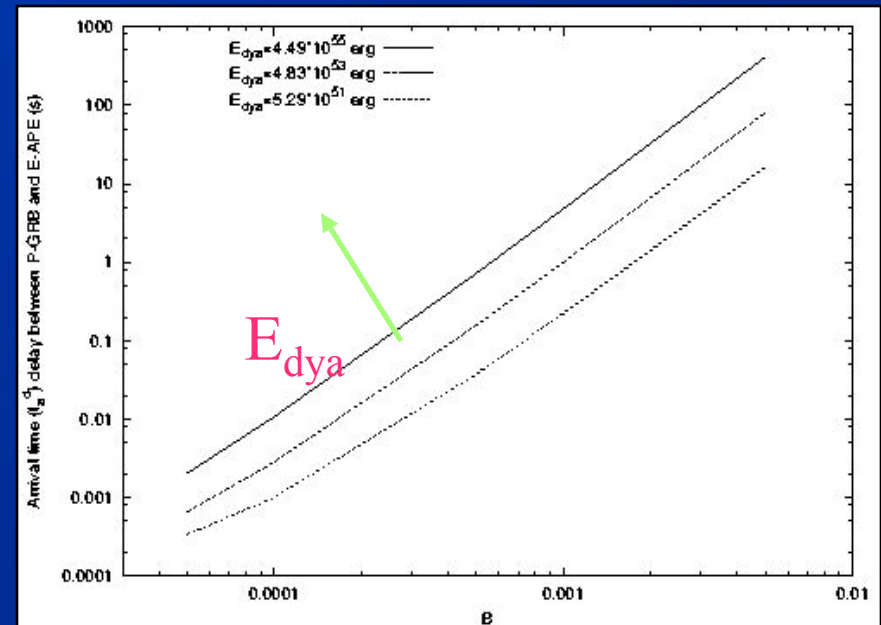
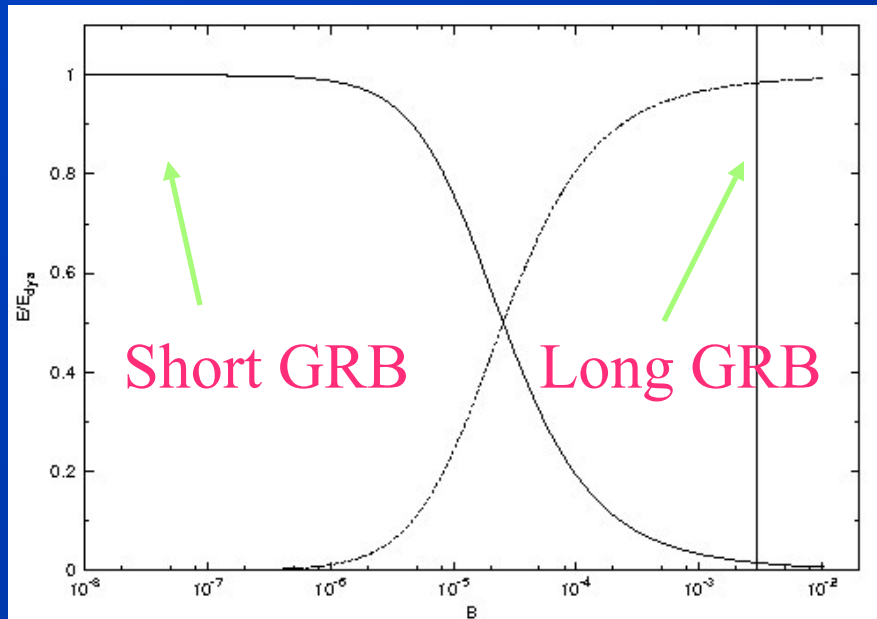


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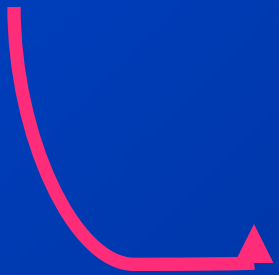
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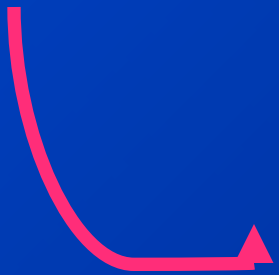


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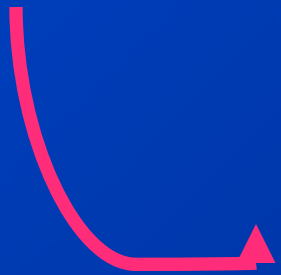


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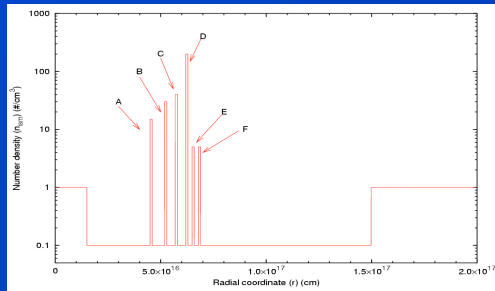
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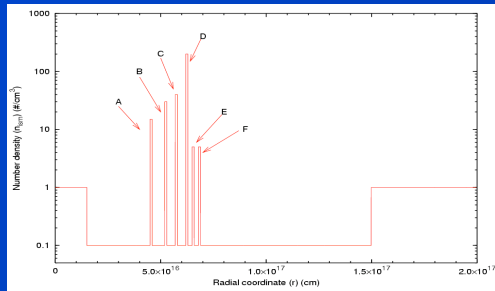
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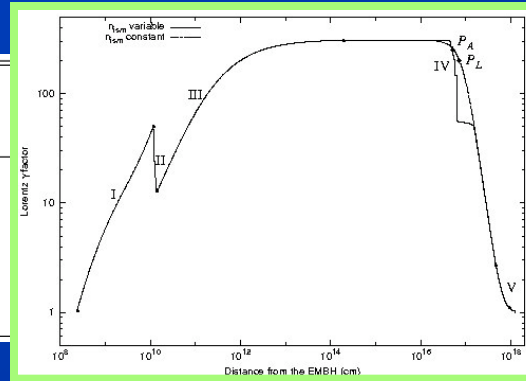


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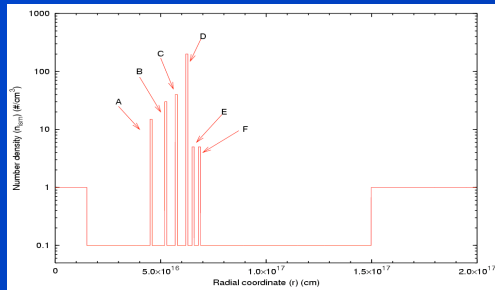


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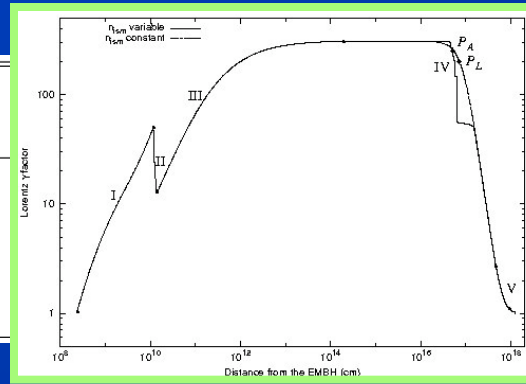


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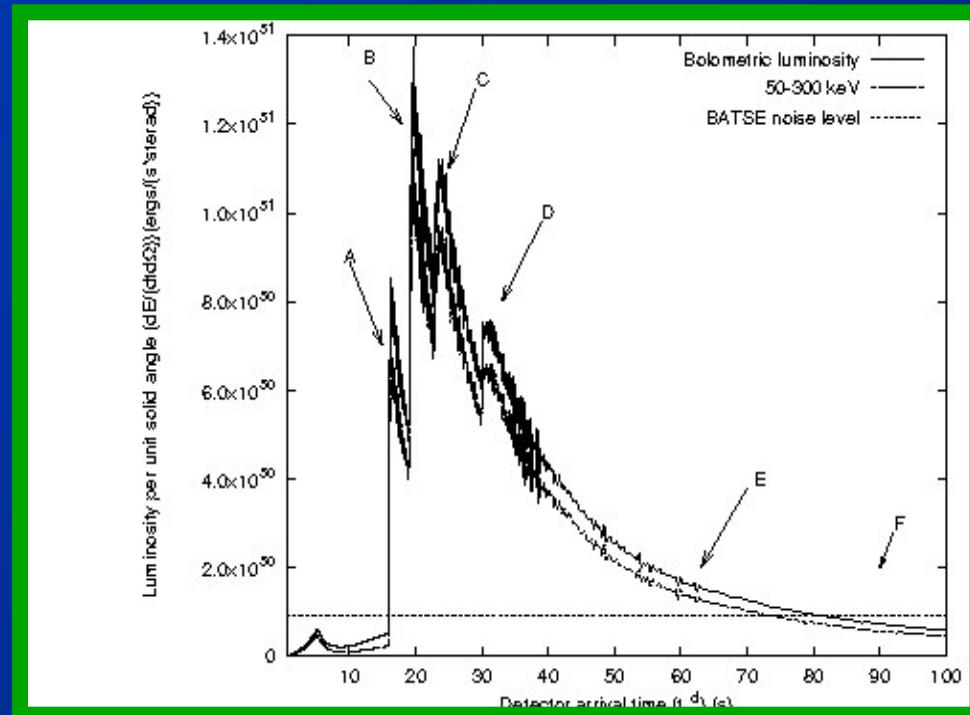
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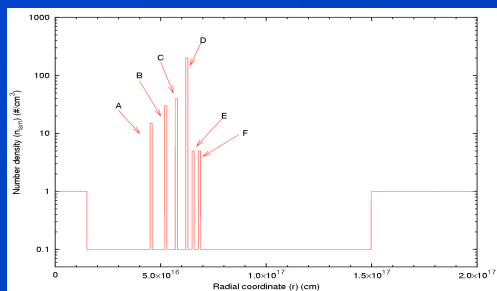
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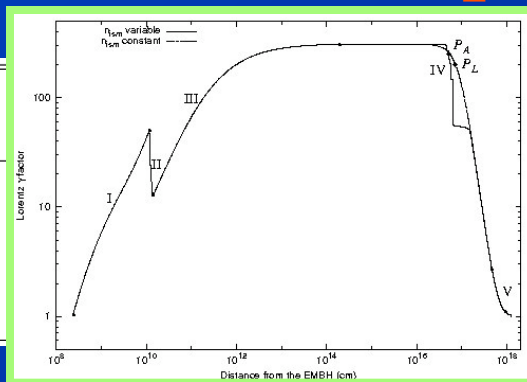
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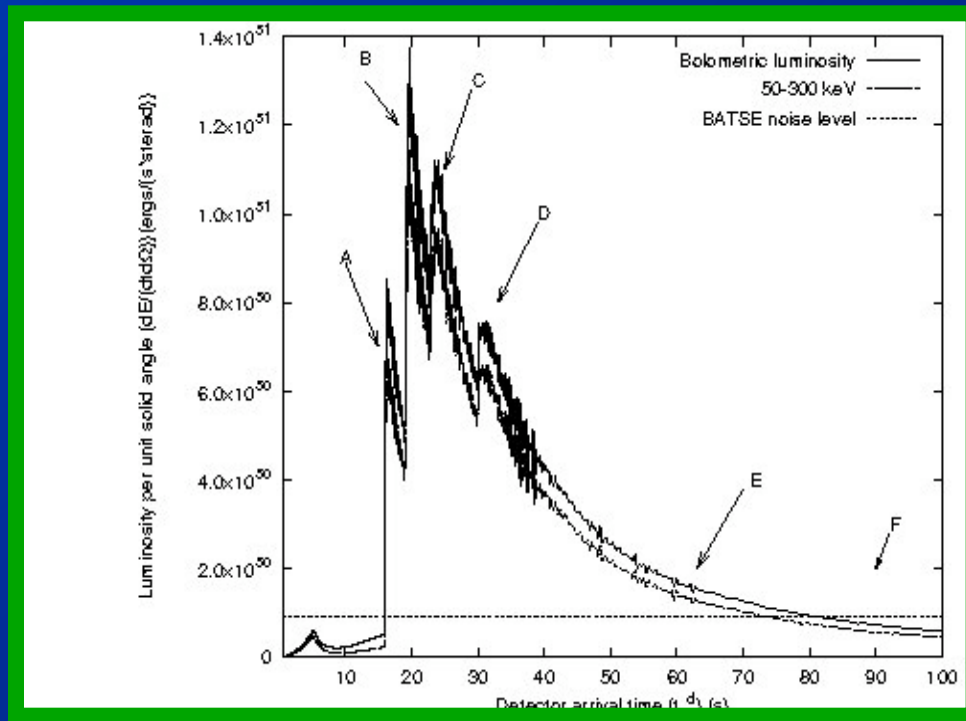
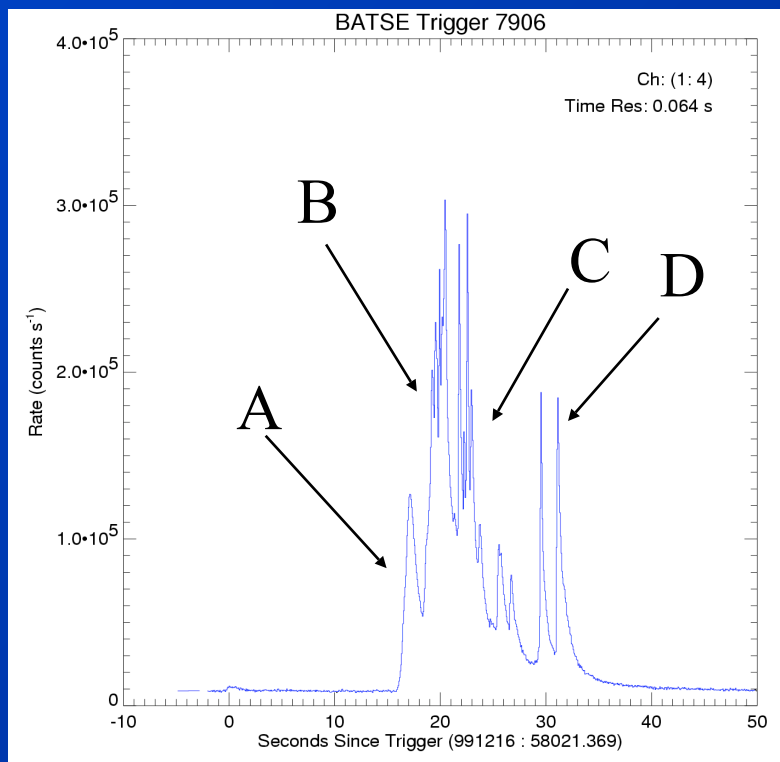
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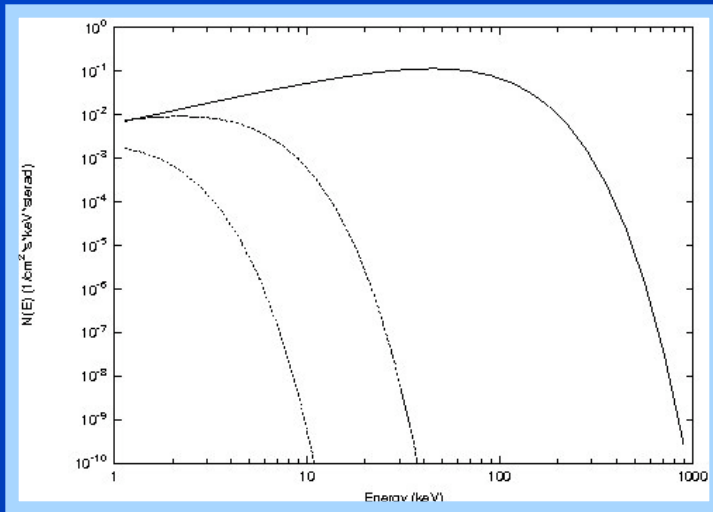
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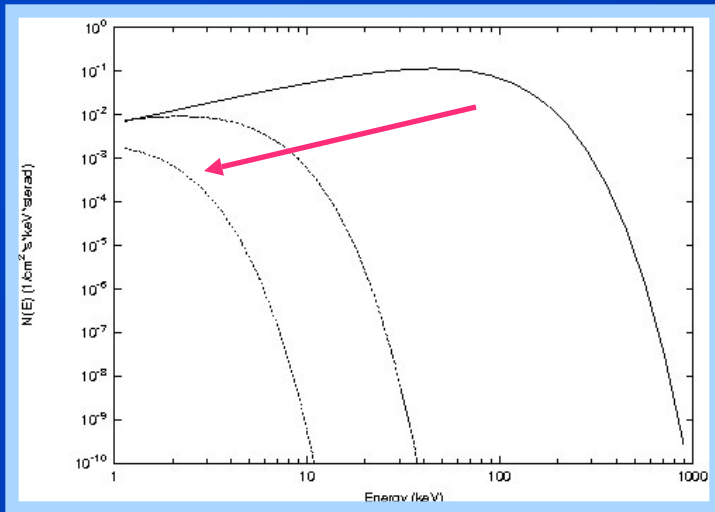
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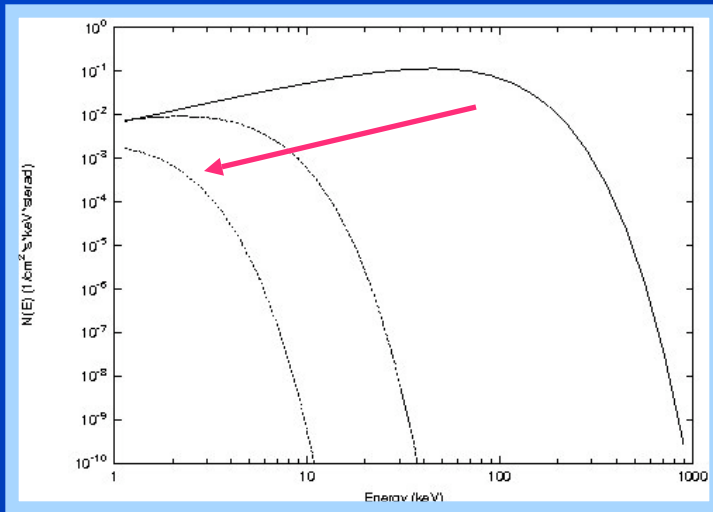


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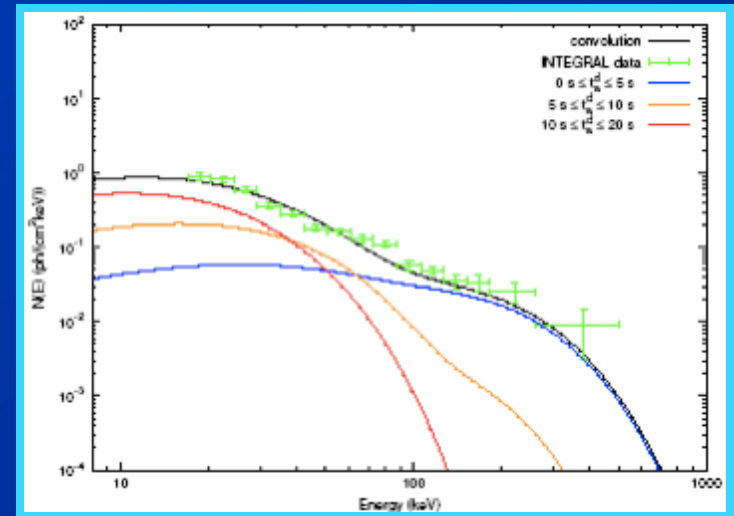


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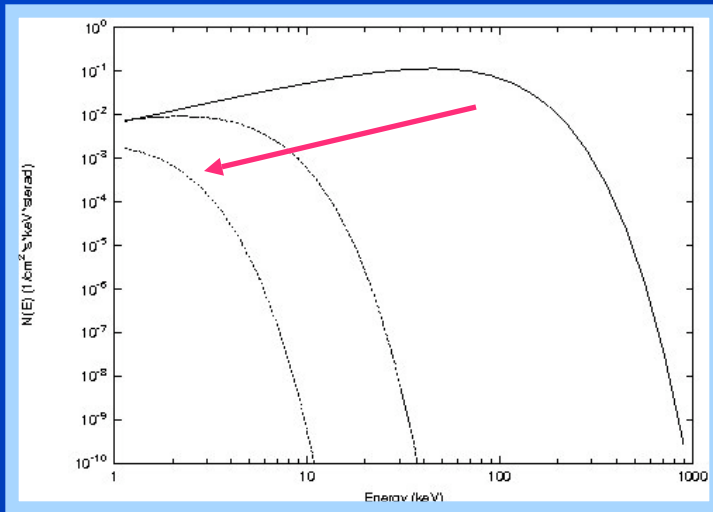


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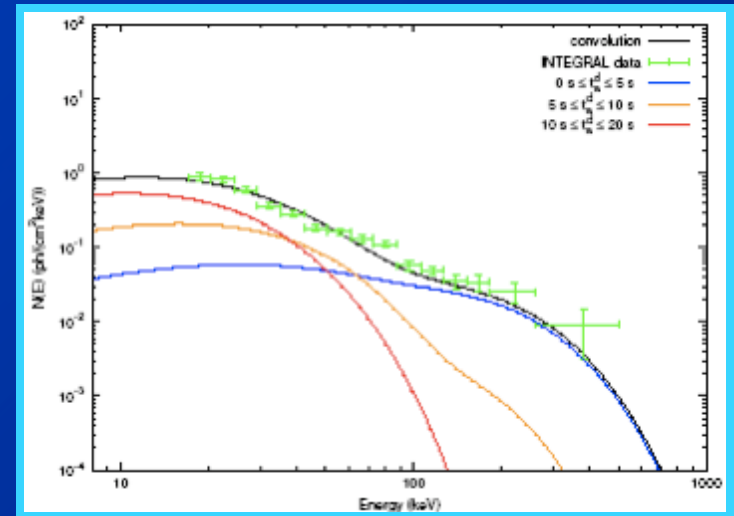


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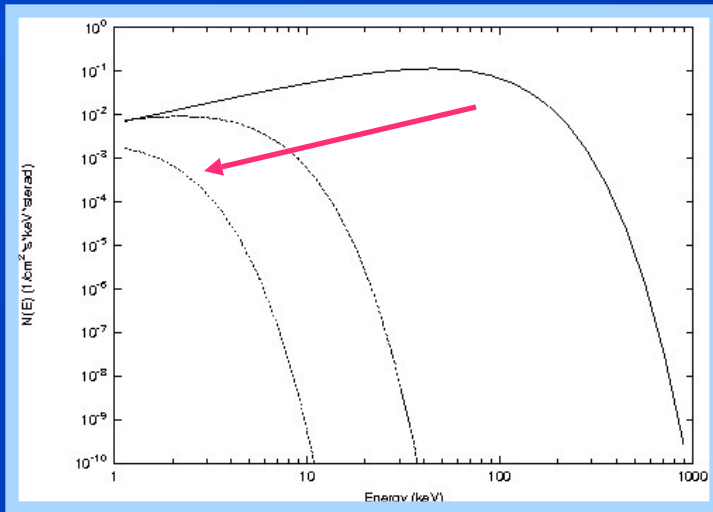
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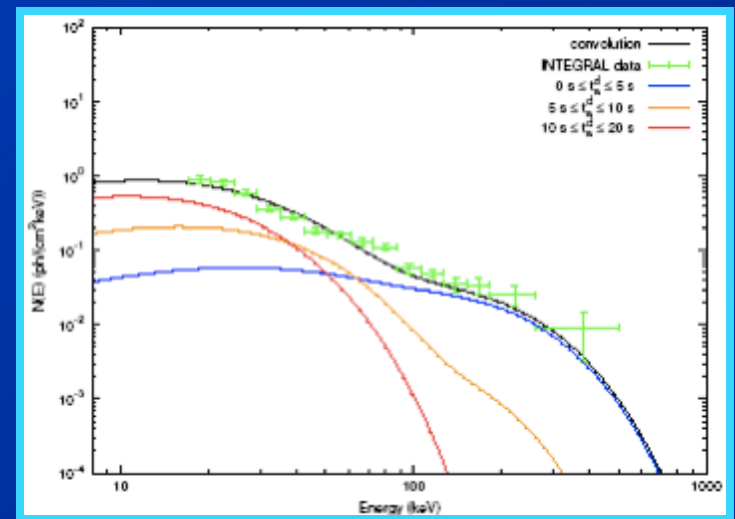
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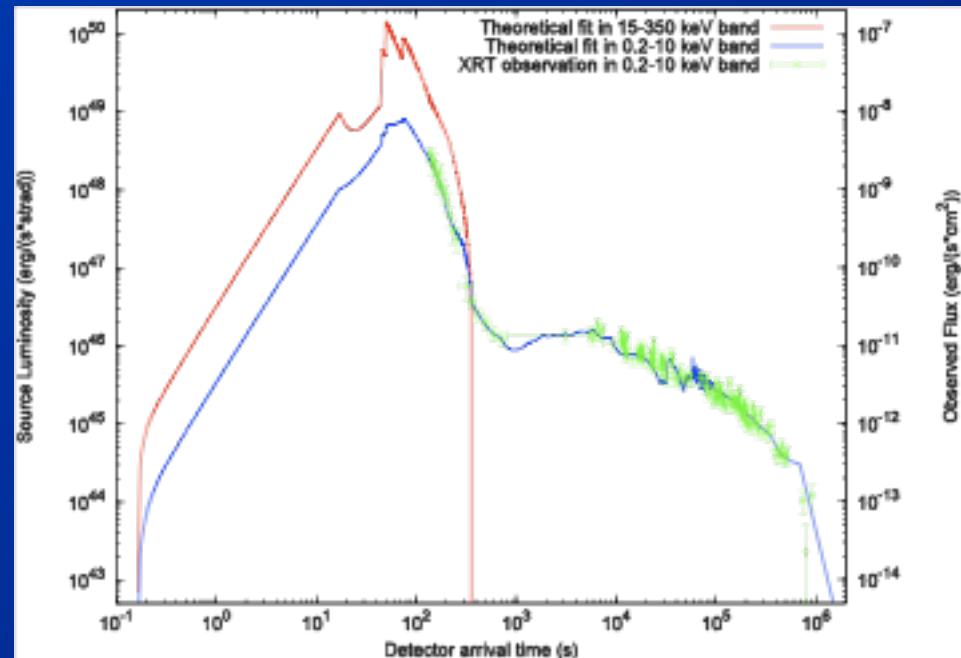
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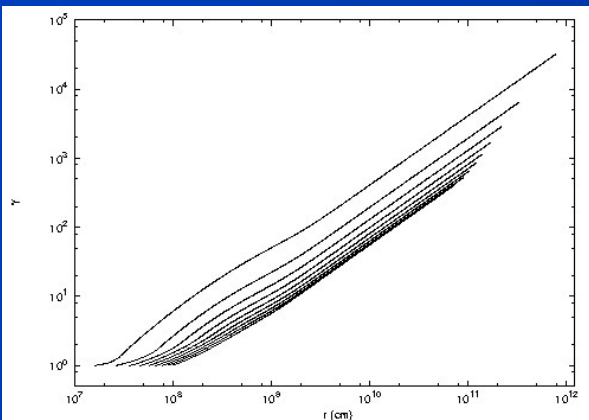
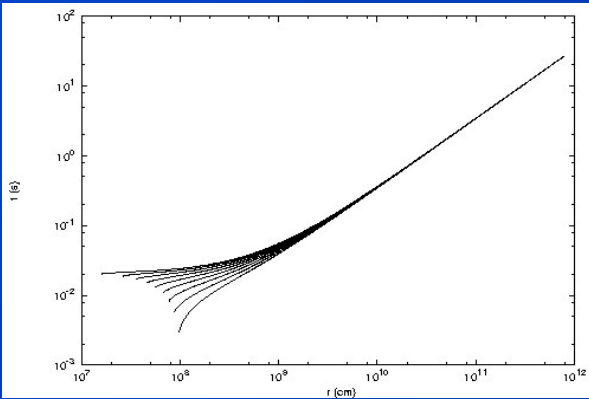
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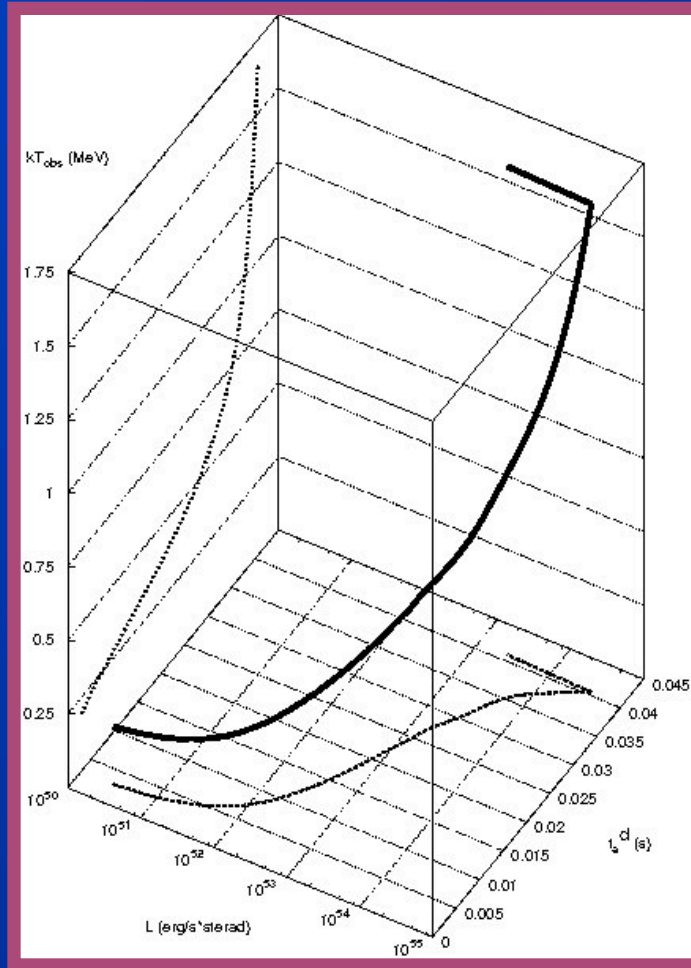
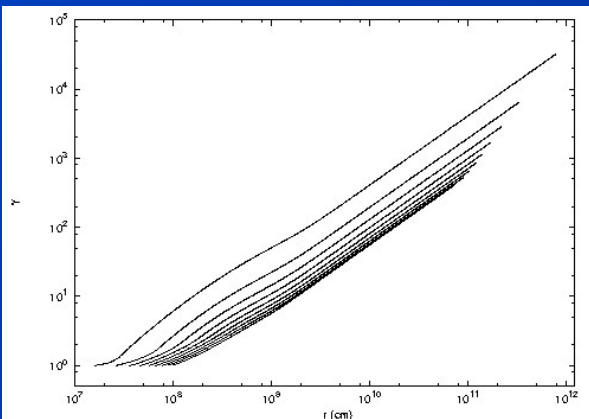
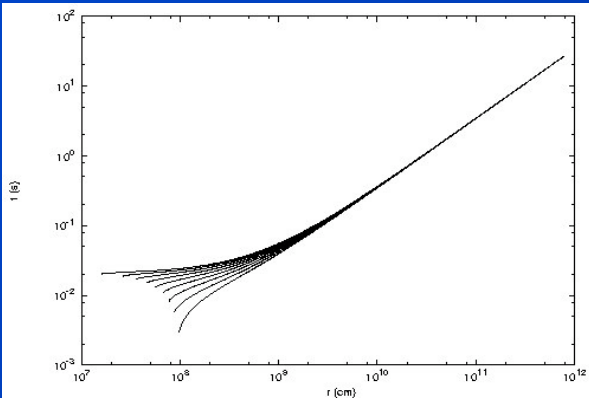
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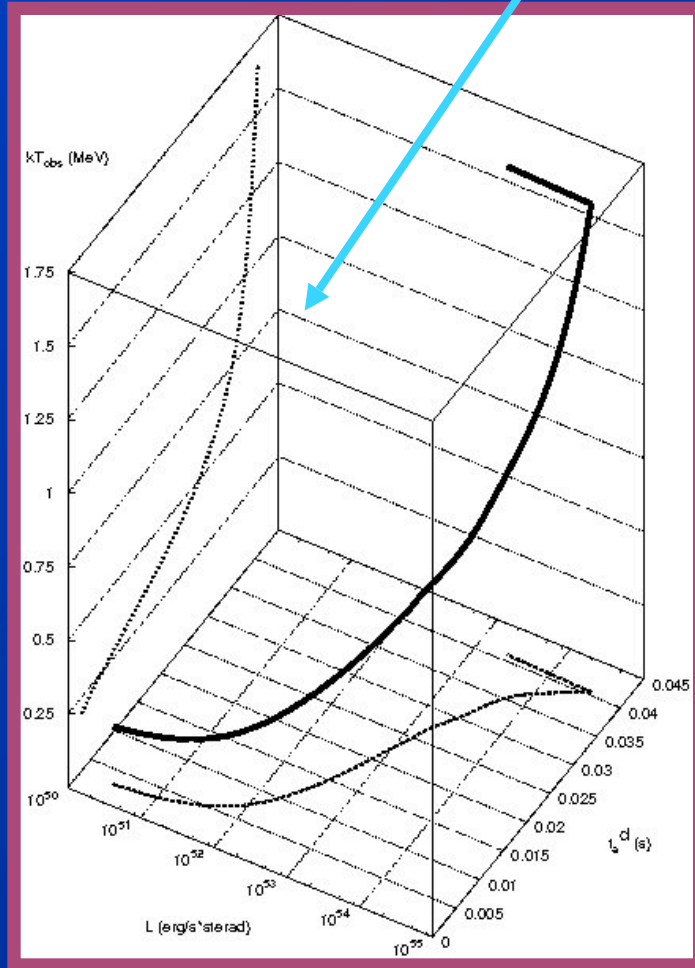
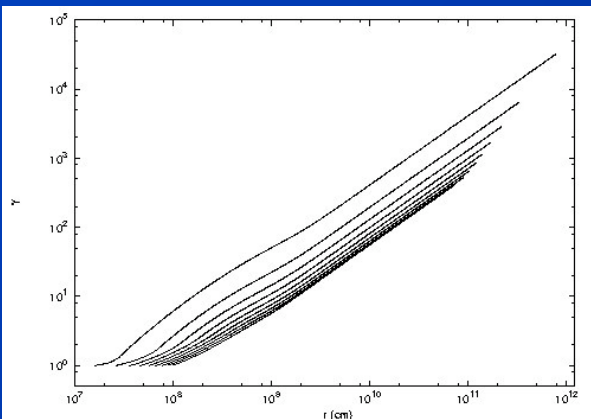
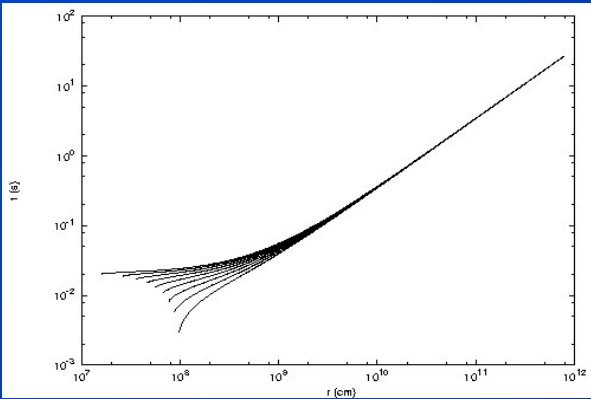
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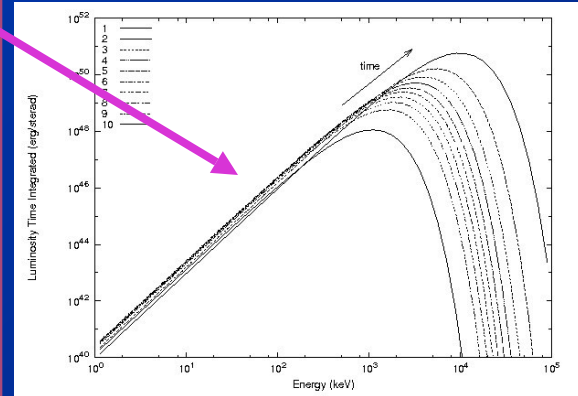
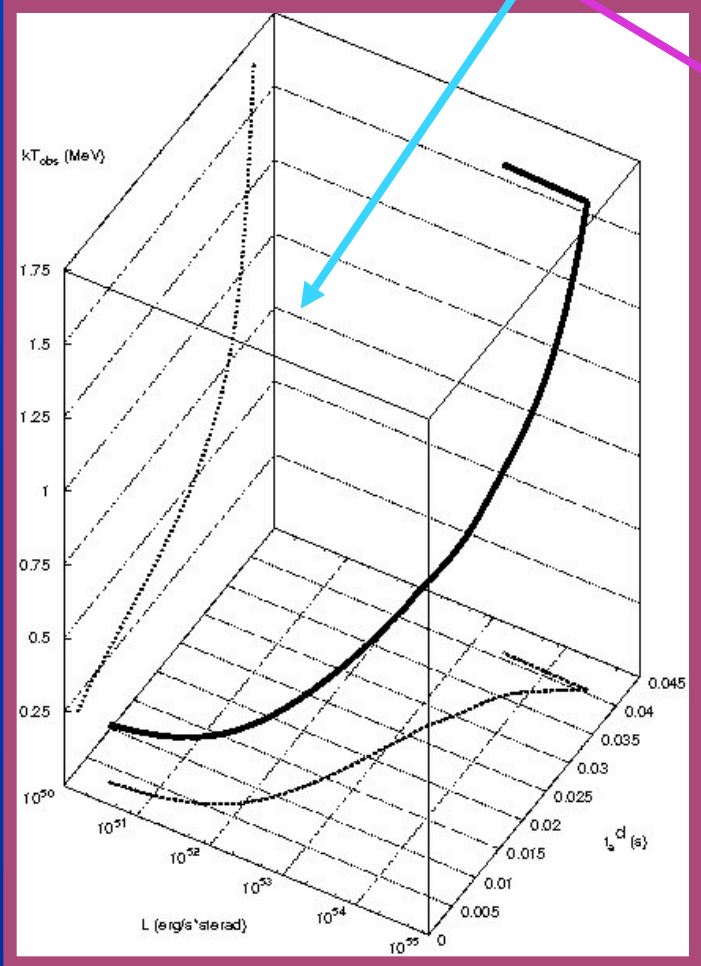
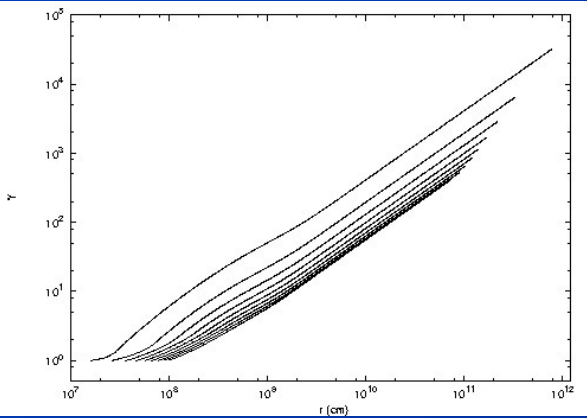
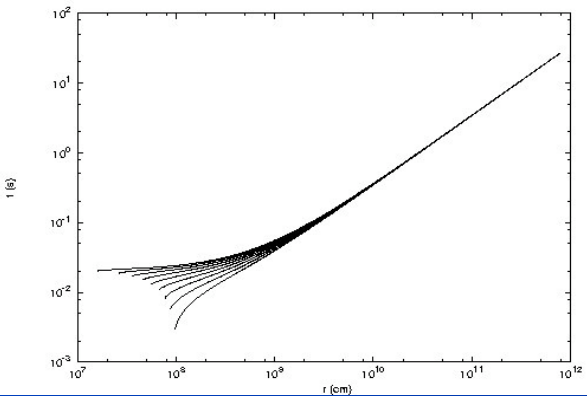


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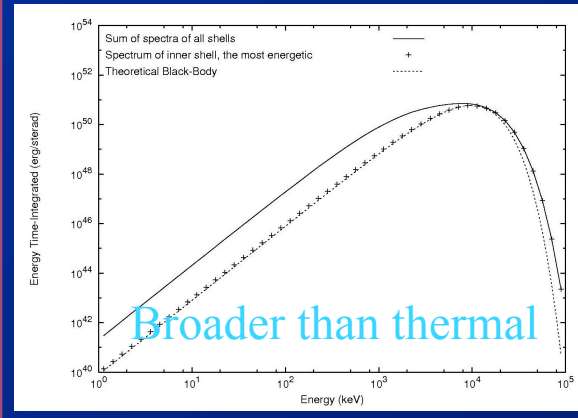
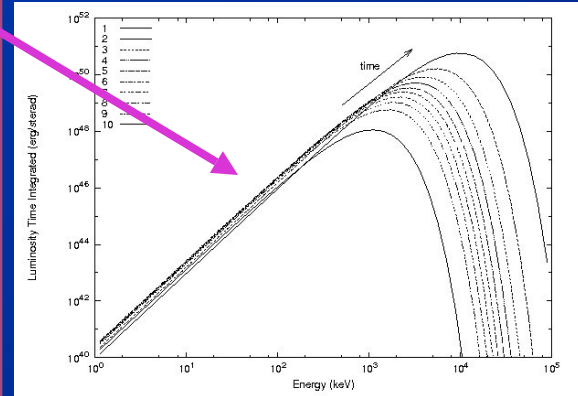
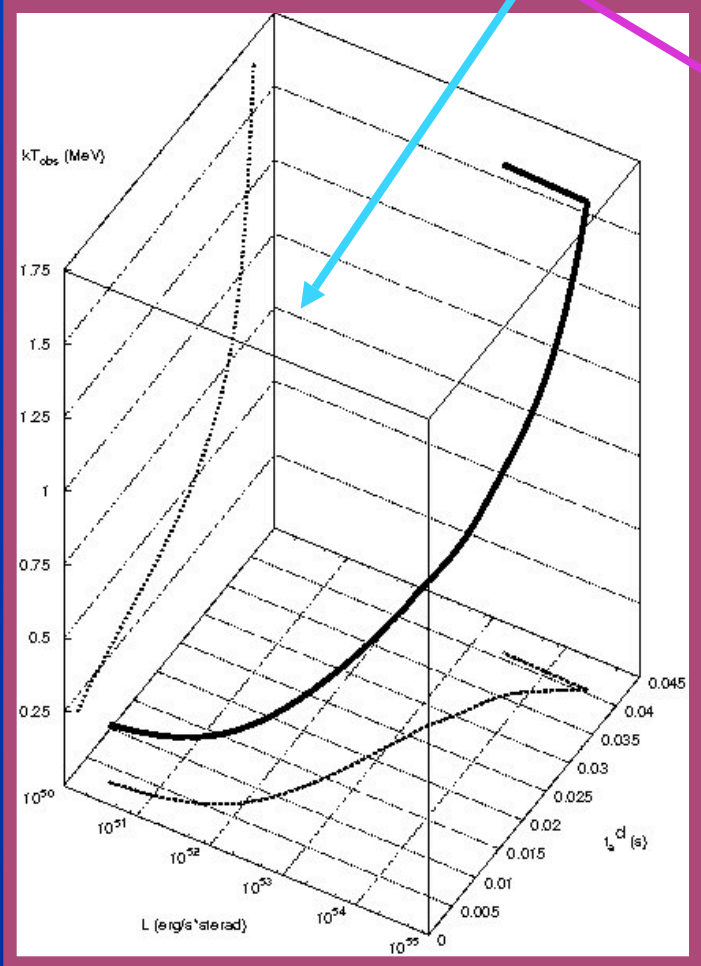
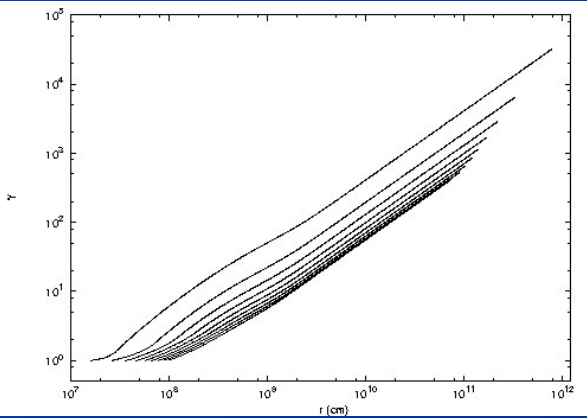
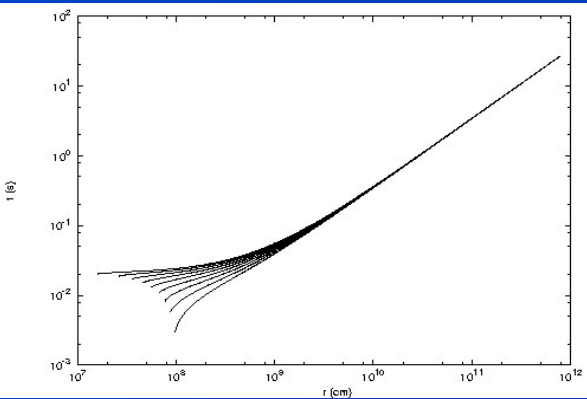


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Conclusions

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