# GRB-SN connection: rate and missed opportunities

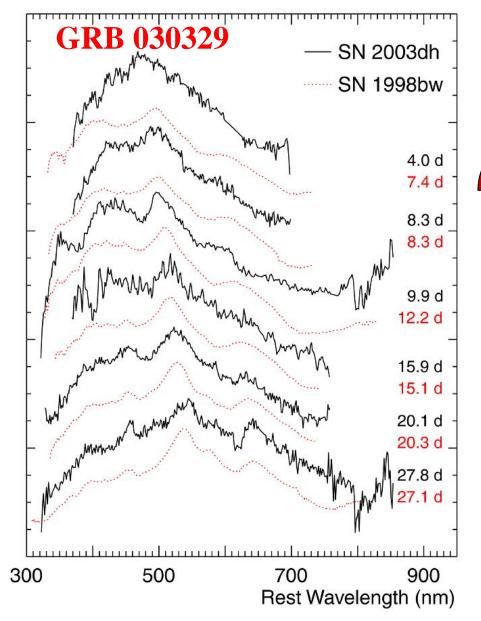
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- \* Why do we care?
- \* GRB-Supernovae detections
- \* Conclusion/Plea

The favored model for long-duration GRBs: shocks in relativistic jets emanating from the central collapsed core plus torus of an evolved massive star.

# **GRB-SN connection: massive star origin**



Relative Intensity

Hjorth et al. 2003, Nat 423, 847 Stanek et al. 2003, ApJ 591, L17 Kosugi et al. 2004, PASJ 56, 61 Kawabata et al. 2003, ApJ 593, L19 Matheson et al. 2003, ApJ 599, 394

Long-duration GRBs are connected to explosion of massive stars

This star must have lost its H and He envelope before it died

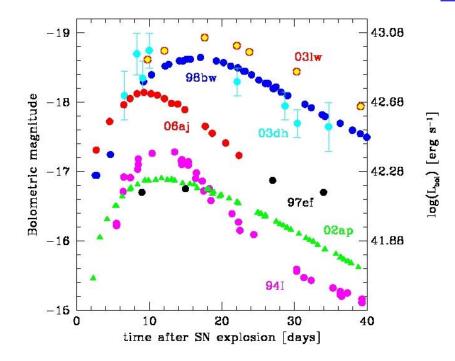
Only rare sub-types of SN Ibc produce GRBs

GRBs trace evolution of star formation rate

# Many open questions

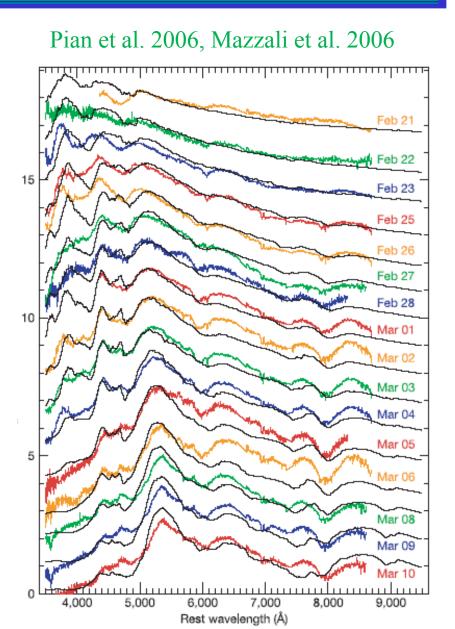
- what kind of progenitor? Different sub-classes, i.e. BHs vs. magnetars?
- what determines production of a GRB(-jet) in one out of hundreds of SN?
- > are GRB-SNe standard candles?"
- why are most discovered GRB/SN among the lowluminosity GRBs?
- > asphericity of explosions? is there any impact of a jet on the SN?

# Modelling of GRB/XRF 060218 / SN 2006aj



➢ Progenitor mass ~20 M<sub>☉</sub>:
M ~ 2 M<sub>☉</sub>,  $E_{kin}$  ~ 2 x 10<sup>51</sup> erg
→ no BH, but NS forms!

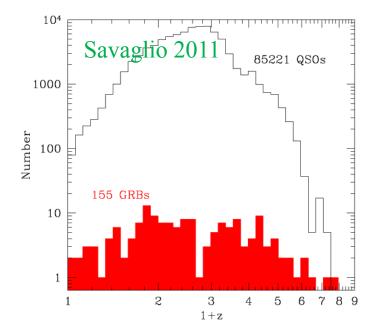
➢ In contrast: SNe 1998bw, 2003dh, 2003lw: M~8–13 M<sub>☉</sub>,  $E_{kin} \sim 3-7 \ge 10^{52}$  erg



### **GRB/SN** statistics

#### ~ 4000 GRBs

- ~ 850 GRB X-ray afterglows
- ~ 530 GRB optical afterglows
- ~ 330 GRBs with redshifts (some only through host)
- ~ 10 spectroscopically confirmed GRB-SN
- ➔ Pretty low success rate!
- → Do we miss some GRB/SN, or is the rate intrinsically so low? Redshift distribution suggests ~15% of GRBs at z<0.5 compared to the above 3%!



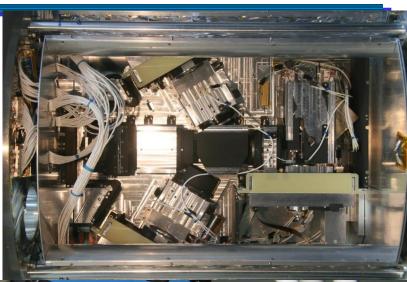
## Improving searches

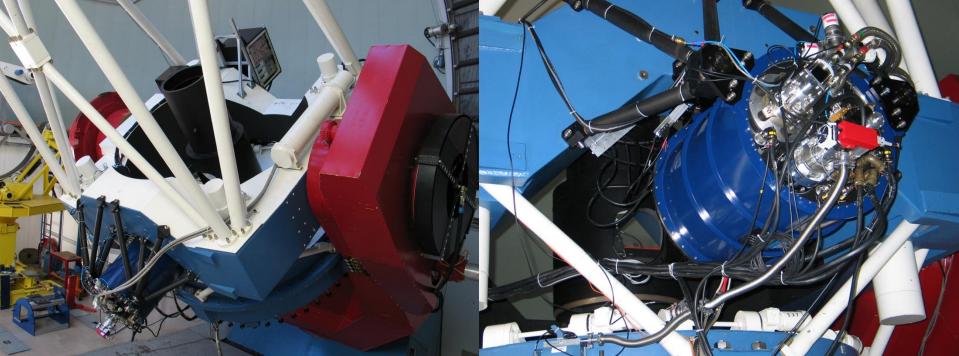
- TACs force us to pre-select few "interesting" GRBs for ground-based follow-up, but this pre-selection is often illusive/misleading
- also selections based in prompt-emission
   "indicators" (most notably redshift) is very often wrong
- we need to MUCH more systematically observe all optical afterglows down to at least 25<sup>th</sup> mag – this needs 3-4m class telescopes (which get out of fashion these days)

# GROND @ 2.2m MPG telescope La Silla

#### **History:**

First light: Apr 30, 2007 First GRB: May 21, 2007 Photometric calibration: Jul 2007 Routine observations: since Sep 2007 fastest response time: 2 min



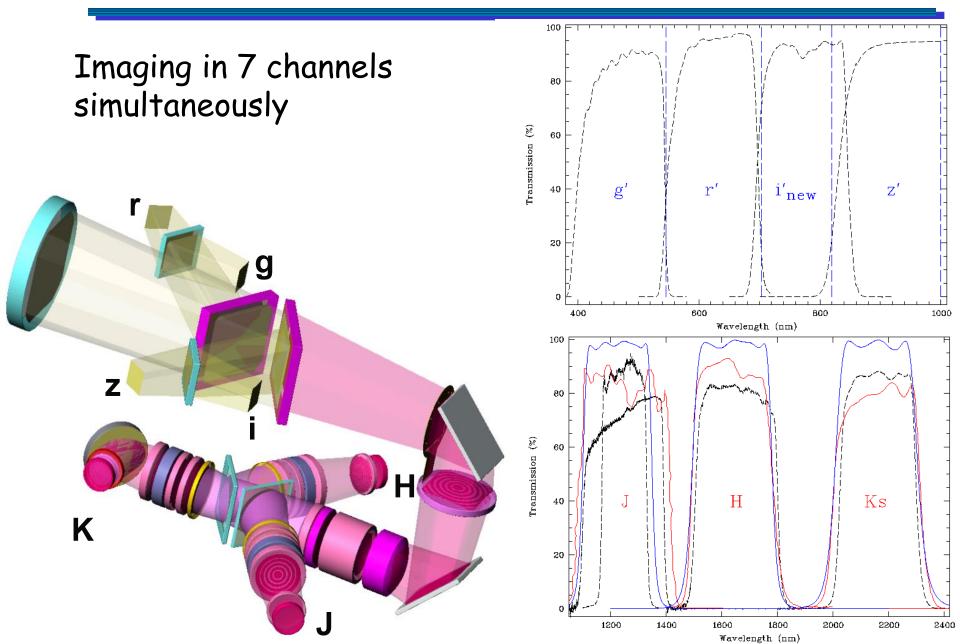


# **GROND:** General Design

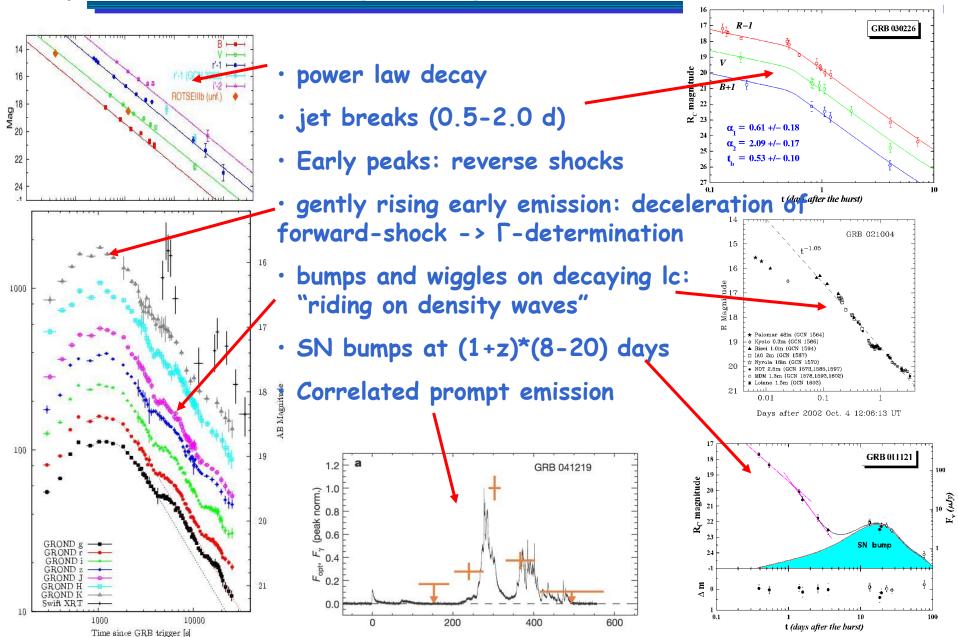
- 7 bands: Sloan g', r', i', z' and J, H, K
   One detector for one filter band (no movable filters!)
   3 HAWAII 1K\*1K Arrays + 4 E2V 2K\*2K CCDs
- Field-of-view: Visual: 5.4'x5.4' (0.16''/pixel) NIR: 10'x10' (0.59''/pixel)
- Dichroics tuned to minimize intrinsic polarization effects
- > 2 shutters, i.e. g'r' and i'z' pairs of CCDs have same exposure
- > Combined telescope and intrinsic mirror (K-band) dithering

Sensitivity (AB): 4 min		1 hr
gr	21.5 mag	24.5 mag
iz	<b>21.0 mag</b>	<b>24.0 mag</b>
J/H/K	19/18/17 mag	22/21/20 mag

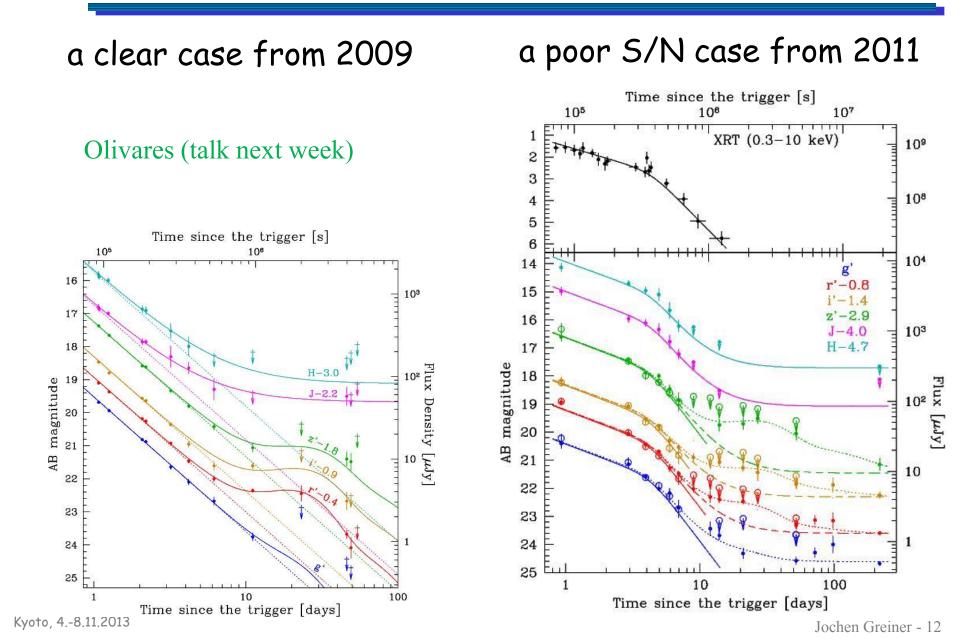
# **GROND=GRB Optical/NIR Detector**



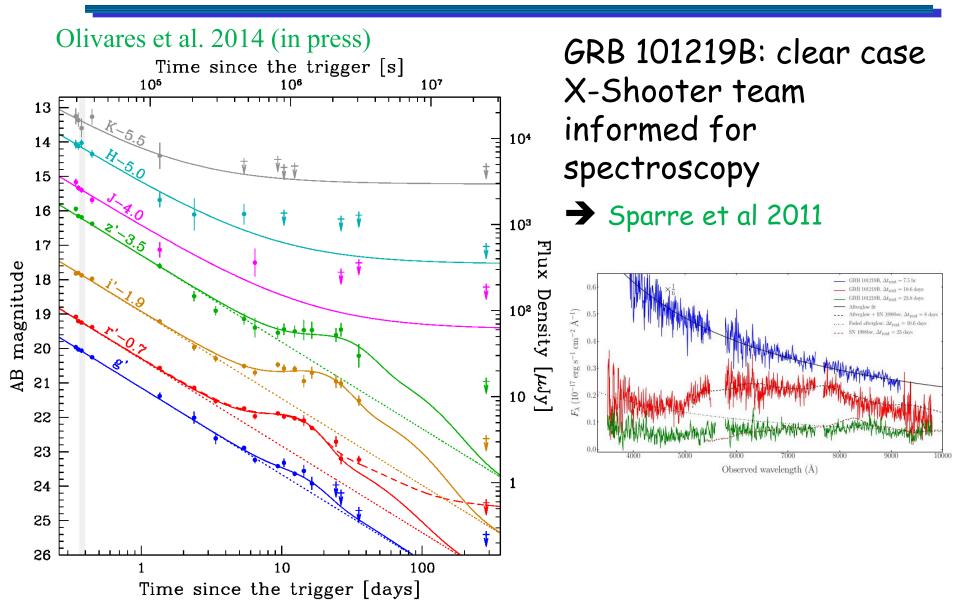
#### Optial/NIR Afterglow light curves in a nutshell



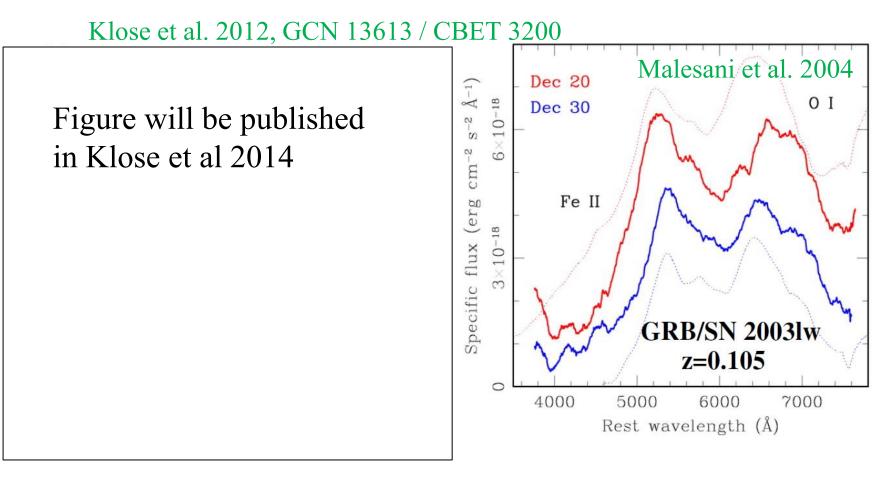
### **GROND** examples: I



# **GROND** examples: II



GRB 120714B / SN 2012eb (z=0.3984)



•at t=18.5 days (obs) = 13.2 d (host frame)

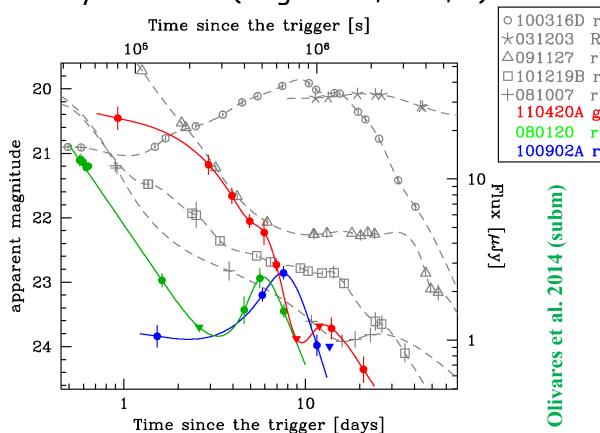
# GRB 130831A / SN 2013fu (z=0.478)

Klose et al. 2013, CBET 3677

Figure will be published in Klose et al 2014

# How many GRB/SN do we miss?

- $\succ$  from simple statistics it is clear we miss a good fraction: ~5x
- how many could we realistically re-cover? (brightness, host, ...)
- previous examples were the secure cases; but there are others as well, like 100902A
- problem: to be safe, we only trigger AFTER maximum, so it is definitely not the host:
   we also miss some
- just with our GROND secure cases we double the present rate

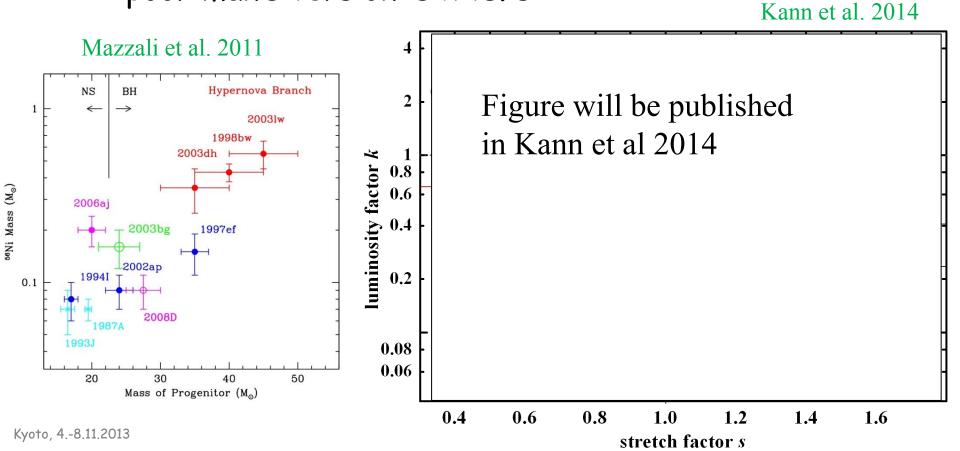


previous discovery rate of spectr.-confirmed SN: ~0.5/yr

but could be 1-2/yr with more aggressive ground-based follow-up

## **GRB/SN** without spectra

- better than nothing?
- One would like to get physical parameters, but those require spectroscopy
  - → poor man's version is k vs. s



### Conclusions

- GRB-SN are not as rare as we might deduce from the existing sample
- suggestions/pleas:
  - to optical astronomers: observe whenever you can; even better if you can organize systematic follow-up at a 3-4m telescope
  - to TAC members: don't enforce 'optimisation'
  - to Senior Review (USA): Swift/BAT triggers and XRT(/UVOT) follow-up are crucially needed to move from few single cases to a sample which allows to draw some statistics
  - → We should use the present availability of Swift!