

# Cosmological Fast Radio Bursts from Binary White Dwarf Mergers

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# GRB Cosmology

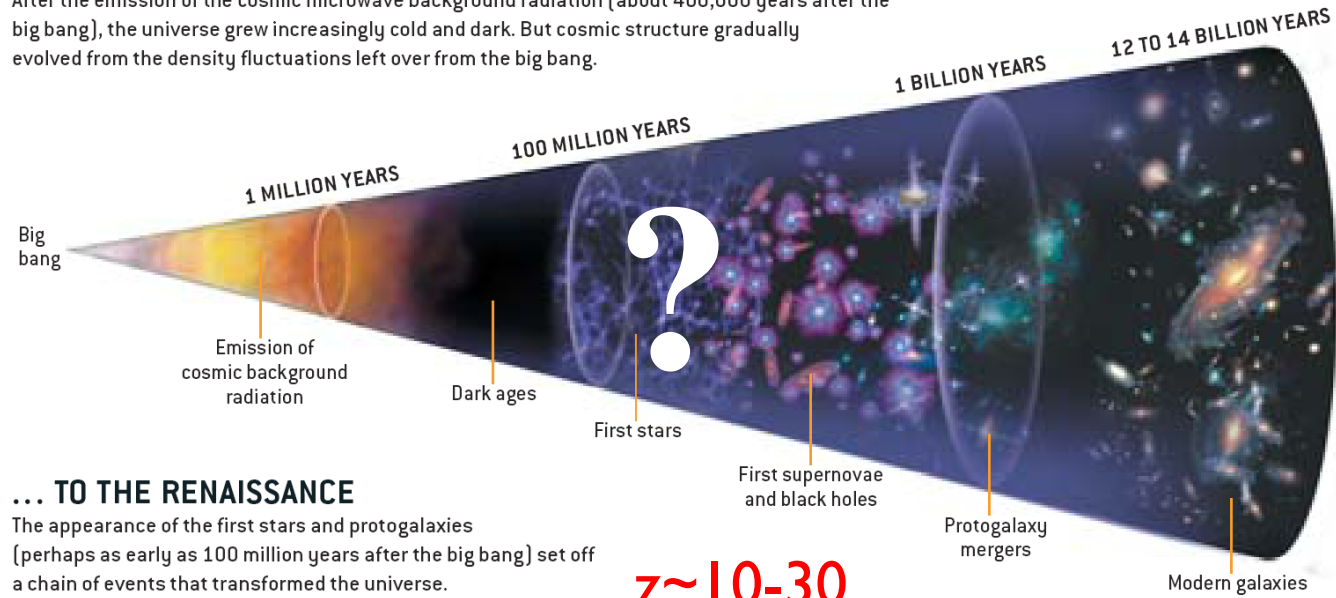
Massive star origin  $\Rightarrow$  High redshift GRBs

- Like QSO
- Like SN
- Star formation
- Reionization
- Metal, Dust
- Dark energy

## COSMIC TIME LINE

### FROM THE DARK AGES ...

After the emission of the cosmic microwave background (about 400,000 years after the big bang), the universe grew increasingly cold and dark. But cosmic structure gradually evolved from the density fluctuations left over from the big bang.



### ... TO THE RENAISSANCE

The appearance of the first stars and protogalaxies (perhaps as early as 100 million years after the big bang) set off a chain of events that transformed the universe.

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**GRB**



**QSO, galaxy**

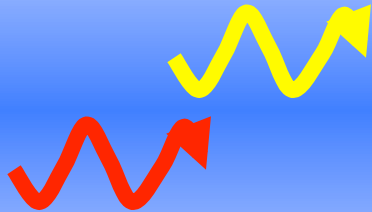


GRBs are useful for probing high-z

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# Radio Dispersion

High energy photon



Low energy photon

Ionized region

In a plasma, a light signal is delayed

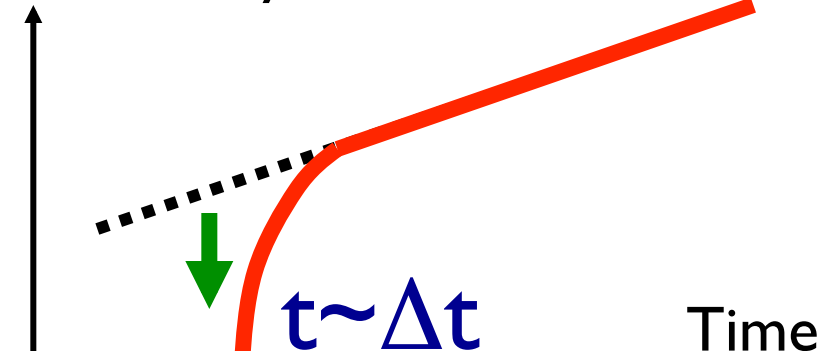
$$\omega^2 = k^2 c^2 + \omega_p^2$$

plasma frequency

$$\omega_p = \sqrt{\frac{4\pi n e^2}{m}} = 5.63 \times 10^4 n^{1/2} \text{ s}^{-1}$$

Luminosity

$$\Delta t = 4.15 \text{ s} \left( \frac{\nu}{1 \text{ GHz}} \right)^{-2} \left( \frac{\text{DM}}{10^3 \text{ pc cm}^{-3}} \right)$$



Distortion in light curve

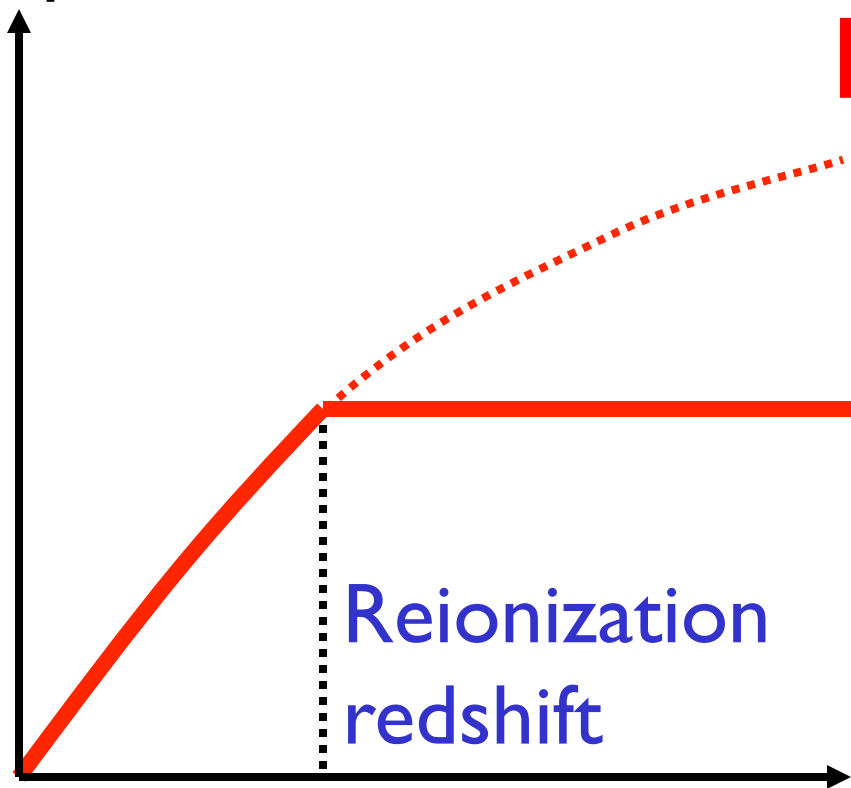
⇒ DM

⇒ Reionization History

# Dispersion Measure

is the column density of free electrons along light path

Dispersion Measure



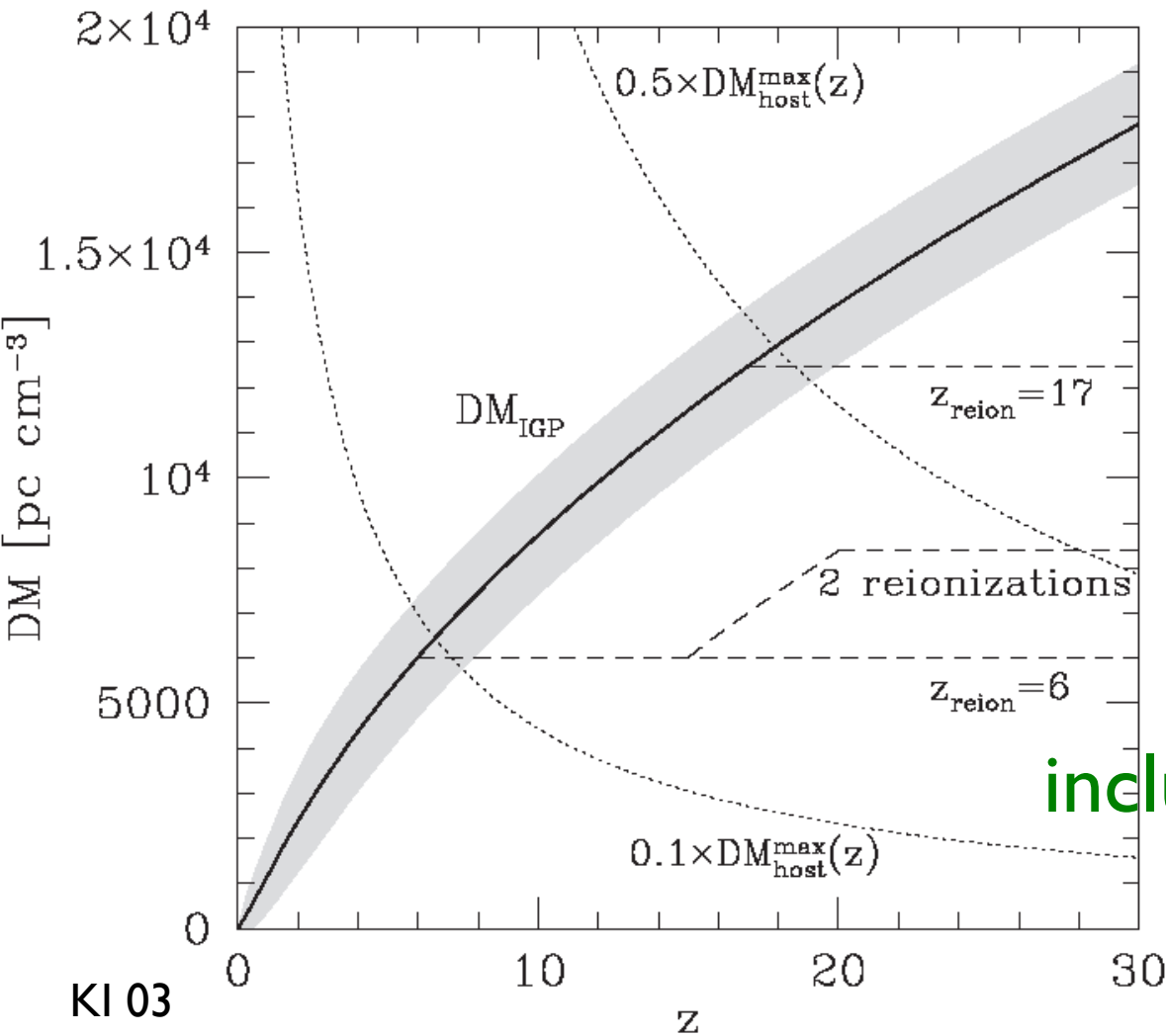
Dispersion Measure



Reionization  
History

Recombined electrons  
provide no DM

# Intergalactic DM



$$\Delta t = \int_0^z dz \frac{dt}{dz} \frac{1}{2} \frac{(1+z)v_p^2}{[(1+z)v]^2}$$

$$= \frac{e^2}{2\pi m_e c} \frac{1}{v^2} \times$$

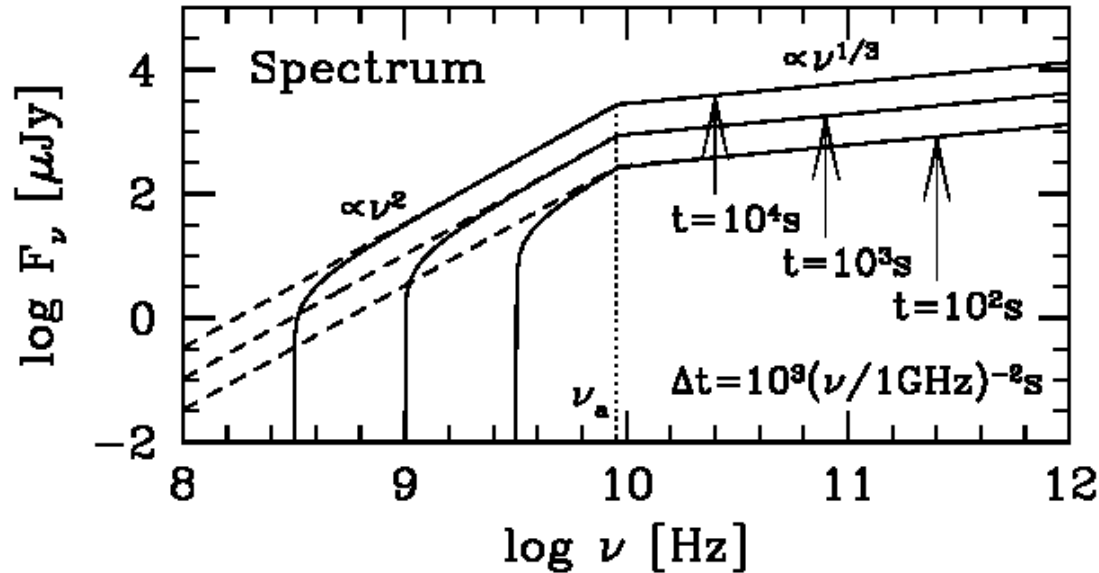
$$\frac{cn_0}{H_0} \int_0^z \frac{(1+z) dz}{[\Omega_m (1+z)^3 + \Omega_\Lambda]^{1/2}}$$

**DM<sub>IGP</sub>**

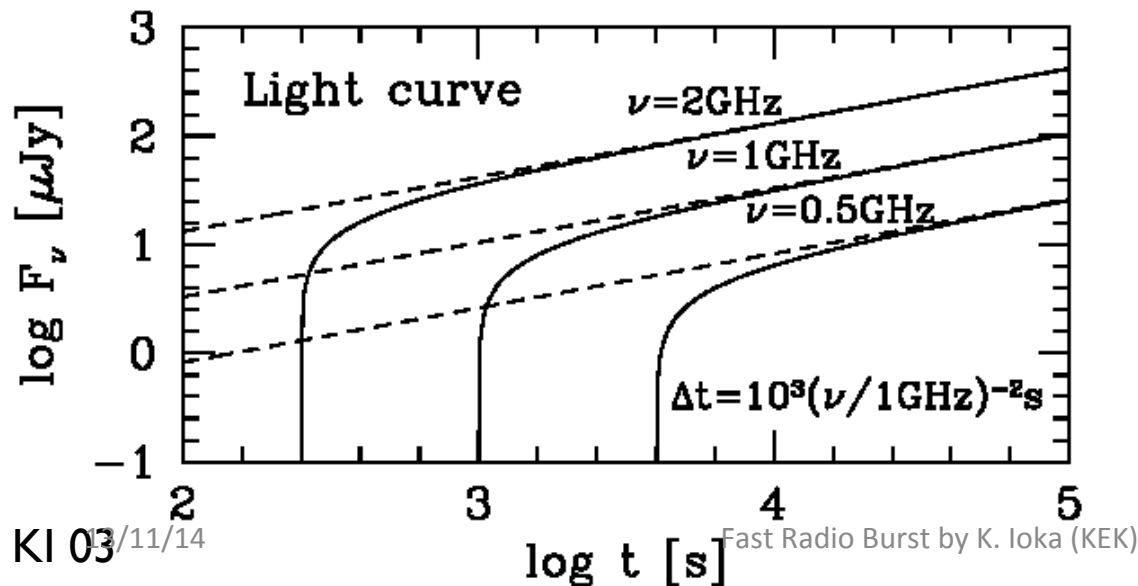
including missing baryon

DM<sub>Galaxy</sub> ~ 30-10<sup>3</sup> pc cm<sup>-3</sup>

# DM from Afterglow



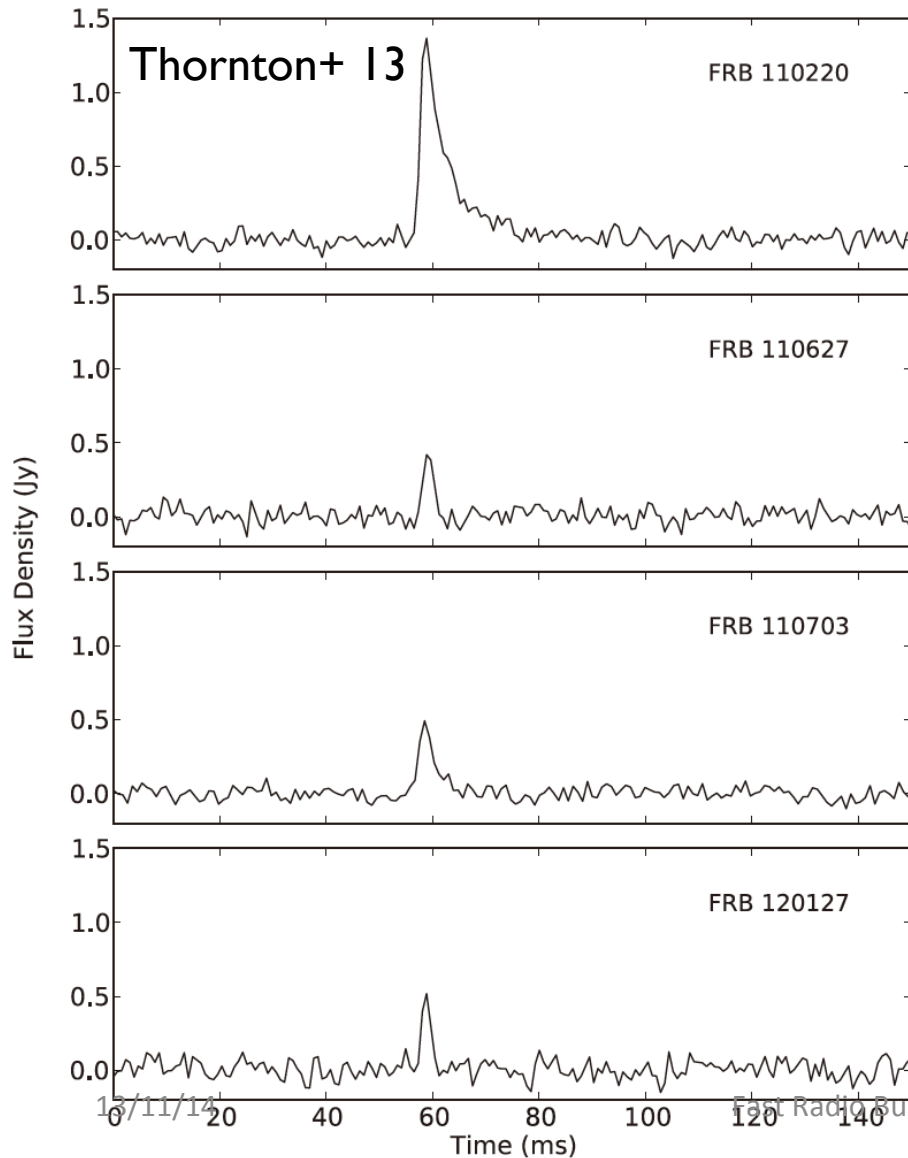
Distortion  
at  $t \sim \Delta t$   
 $\Rightarrow$  DM



$\Delta t \propto \nu^{-2}$

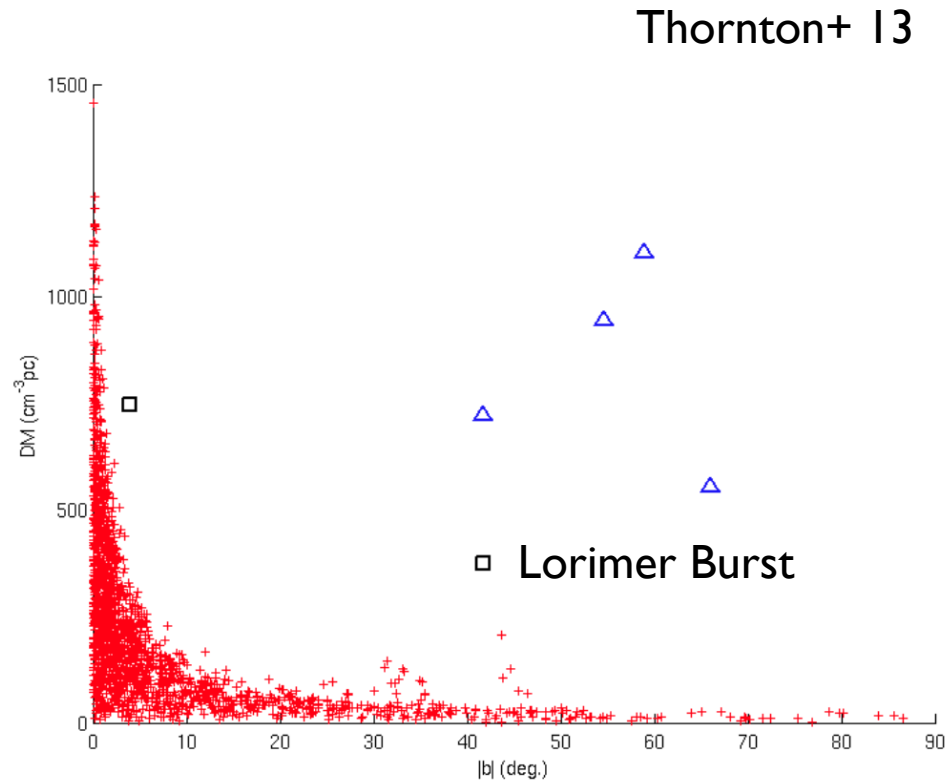
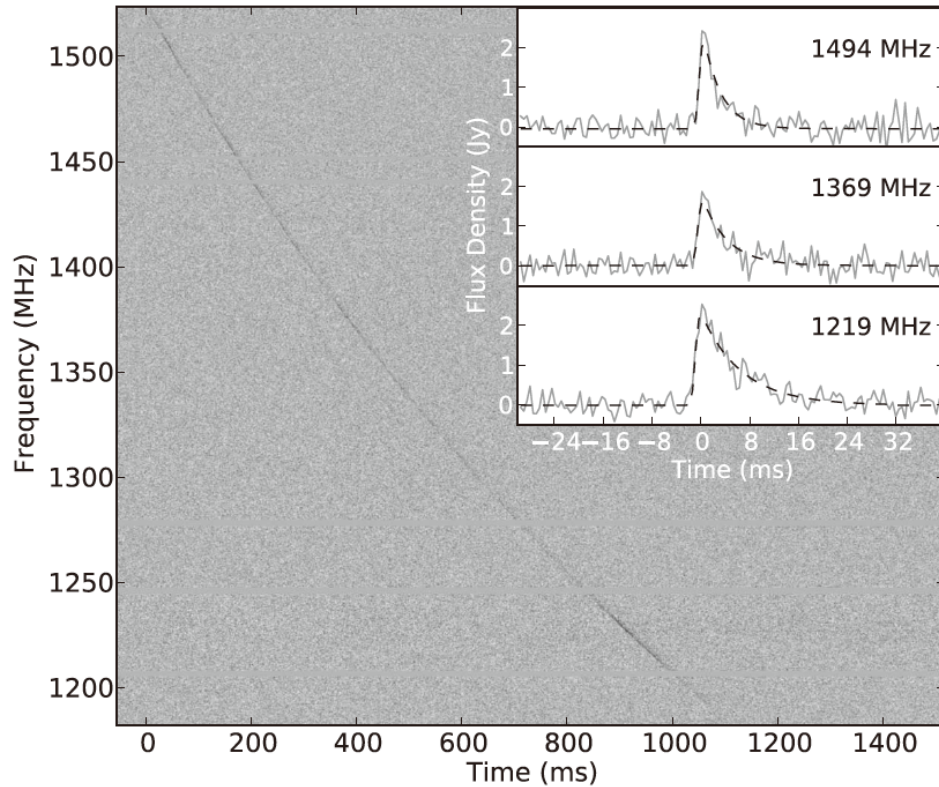
Unfortunately  
radio afterglows  
are not so bright

# Fast Radio Bursts



***$F = 0.6 - 8.0 \text{ Jy ms} !!!$***   
***Most luminous  
radio transients  
if cosmological***

# Dispersion Measure



$$\delta t \propto DM \cdot \nu^{-2}$$

$$DM = 500 - 1000 \text{ cm}^{-3} \text{ pc}$$

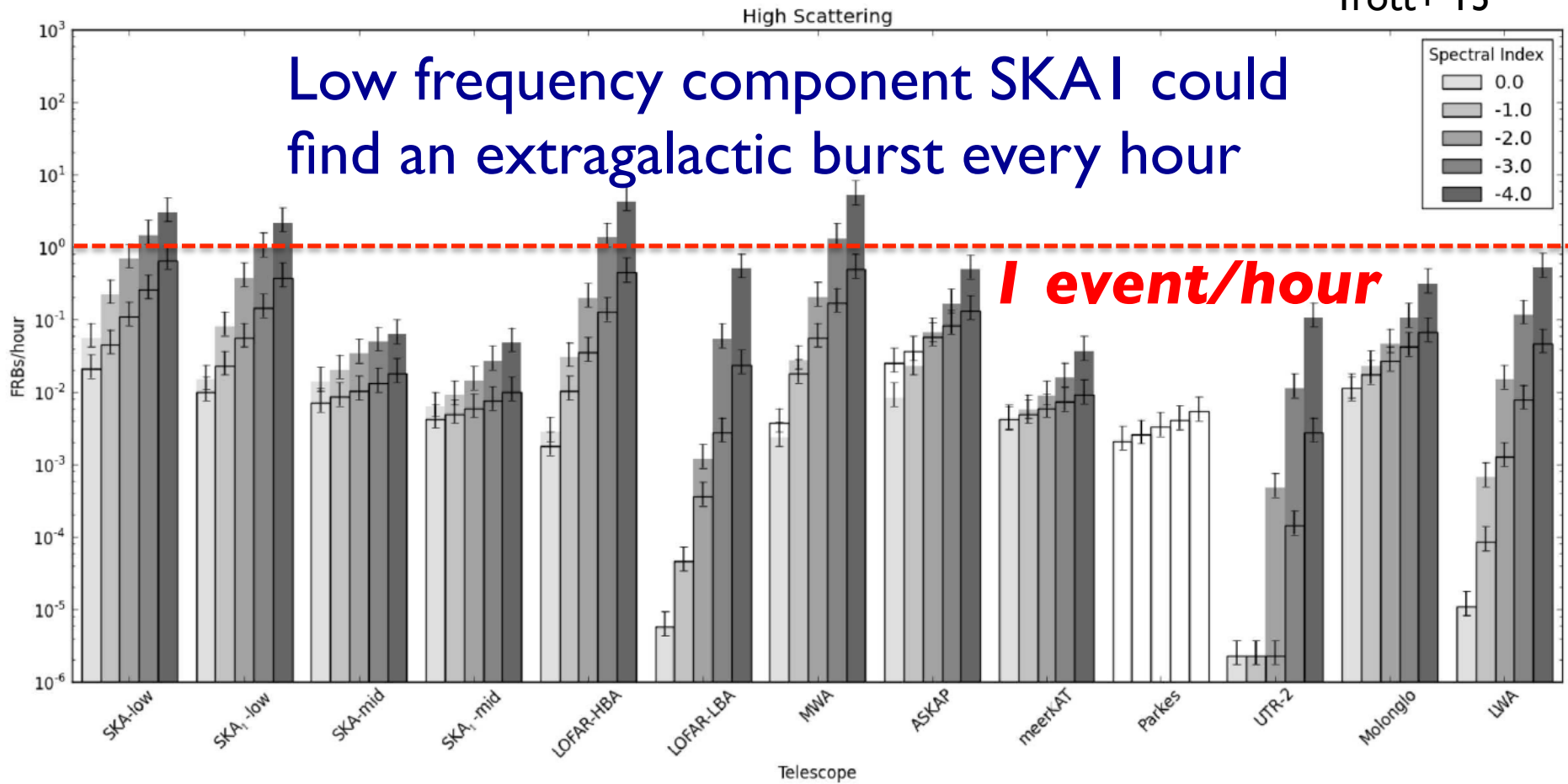


# Summary of FRB Obs.

- $DM=500-1000 \text{ cm}^{-3} \text{ pc}$  ( $z=0.5-1$ ,  $d_L \sim 2-6 \text{ Gpc}$ )
- $S_\nu \sim \text{Jy} \Rightarrow E_{\text{iso}} \sim 10^{38-40} \text{ erg}$
- $\delta t = 5.6 \text{ ms}, < 4.3, 1.4, 1.1 \text{ ms}$   
 $\Rightarrow c\delta t(1+z)^{-1} < 1500(1+z)^{-1} \text{ km}$
- $\text{Rate} \sim (1 \pm 0.5) \times 10^4 / \text{sky/day} \sim 10^{-3} / \text{yr/galaxy}$   
 $\Leftrightarrow \text{Supernova rate } 10^{-2} / \text{yr/galaxy}$
- No repeated bursts so far
- No counterparts so far

# Expected Rate

Hassall+ 13  
Lorimer+ 13  
Trott+ 13



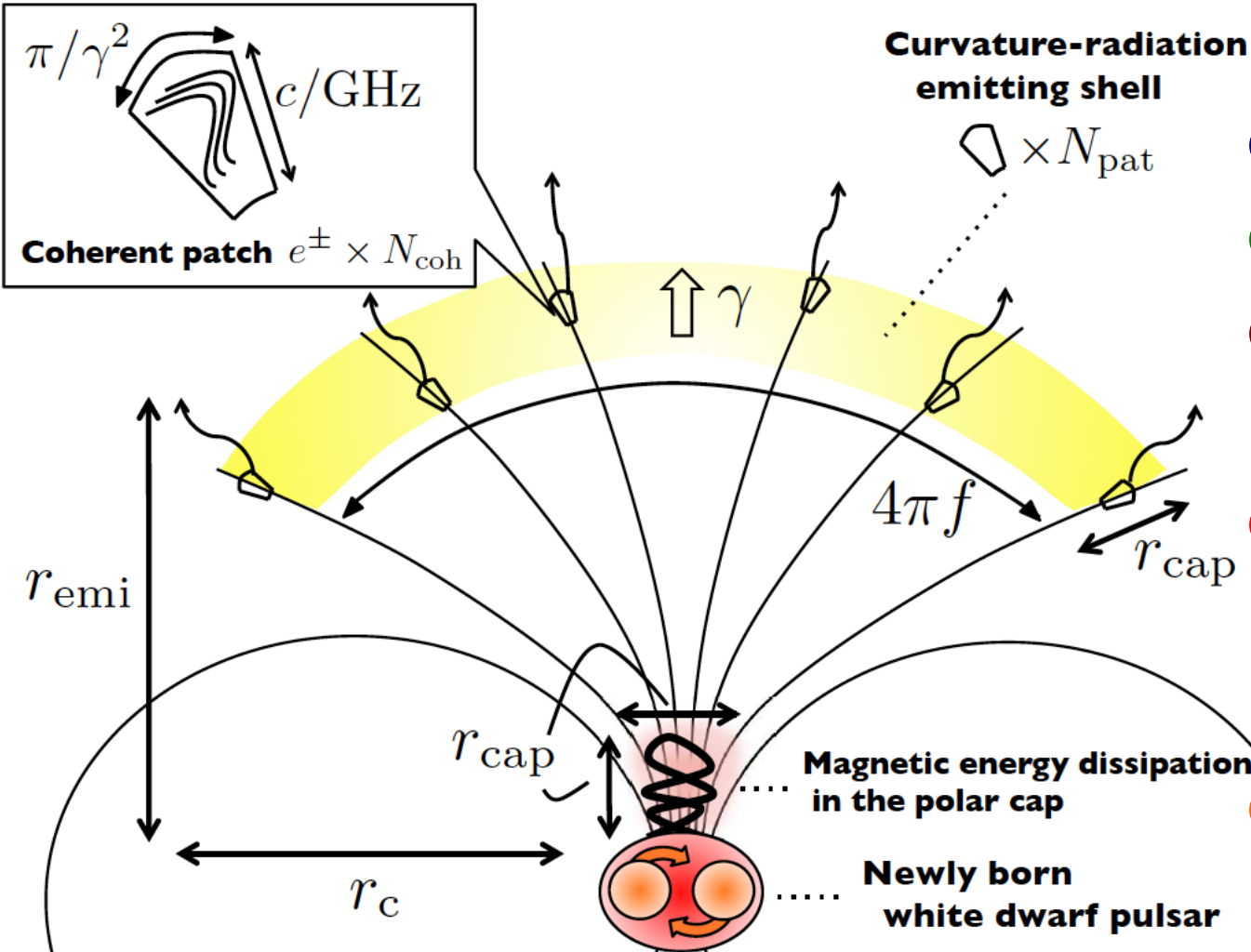
**Figure 2.** Expected number of FRBs per hour for various observatories in the high-scattering simulations. The solid bars show the number of FRBs detectable in imaging surveys, assuming different spectral indices of: 0.0 (white), -1.0, -2.0, -3.0 and -4.0 (darkest grey). The number of FRBs detectable in beamformed surveys are indicated by the corresponding transparent bars. The DM range used was 0 – 6000 pc cm<sup>-3</sup>.  
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# Possible Origins

- RRAT (Rotating Radio Transient; intermittent pulsar)
- Giant pulse from a msec/young pulsar
- Evaporation of BH Rees 77; Blandford 77; Kavic+ 08; Keane+ 12
- SN into a nearby star Colgate+ 71,75; Egorov & Postnov 09
- Magnetar giant flare Popov & Postnov 07; Thornton+ 13
- Collapse of hypermassive NS Falcke & Rezzolla 13; Zhang 13
- Binary NS mergers Hansen & Lyutikov 01; Totani 13
- Superconducting cosmic strings Cai+ 12
- Nearby flaring stars Loeb+ 12

# Binary White Dwarf Mergers?

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● Massive WD

● SN Ia

● Short GRB

via  $\rightarrow$  NS

● WD pulsar

CR  $e^\pm$  excess

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● GW sources

● **FRB?**

# Minimum Requirements

- Energetics
- Timescale
- Event rate

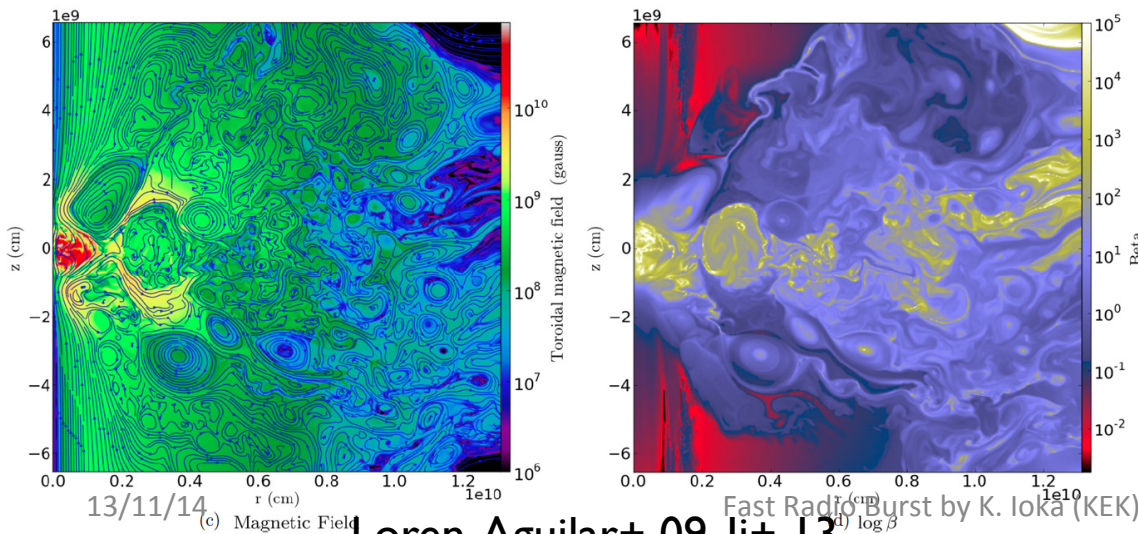
# Energetics

## Magnetic Energy

$$B_{\text{obs,max}} \sim 10^9 \text{G}$$

$$E_B \approx \frac{B^2}{8\pi} \times \frac{4\pi r^3}{3} \sim 2 \times 10^{43} \text{ erg } B_9^2 r_{8.7}^3$$

WD-WD merger  $\Rightarrow$  Differential rotation  $\Rightarrow$  B

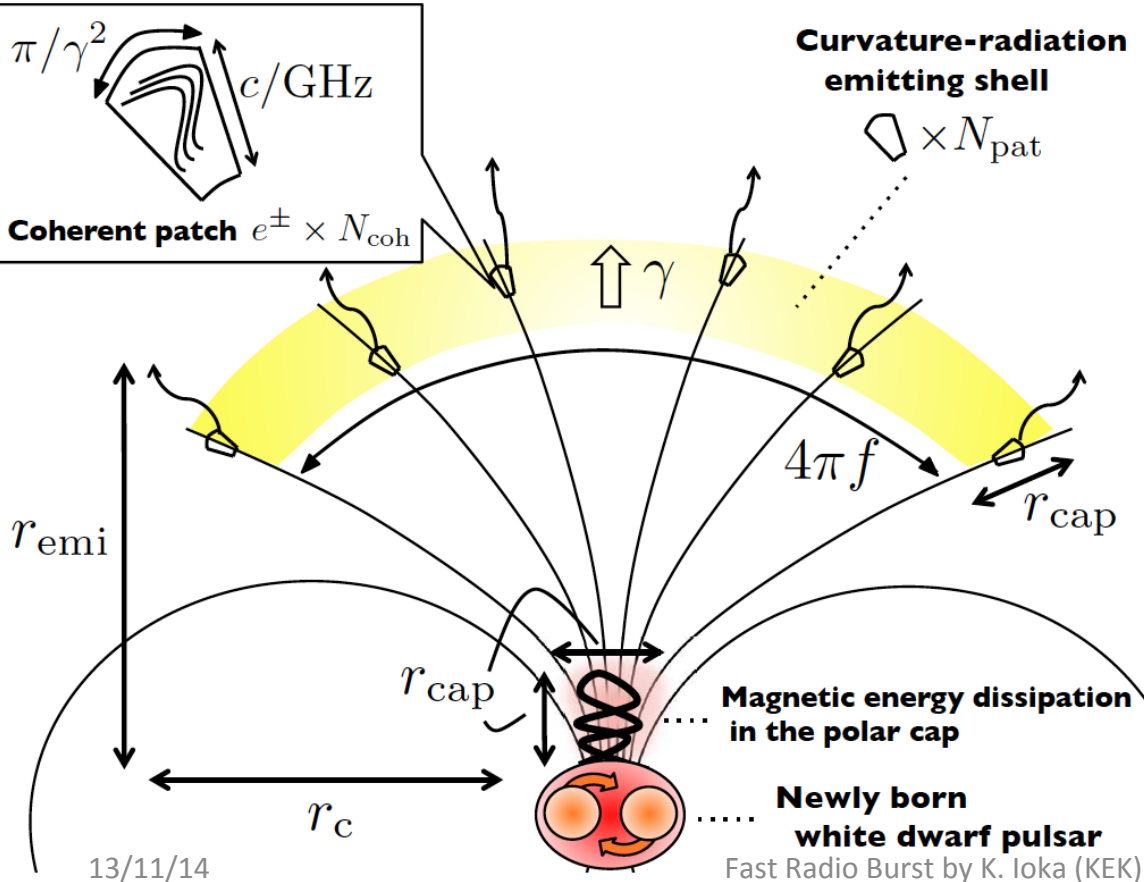
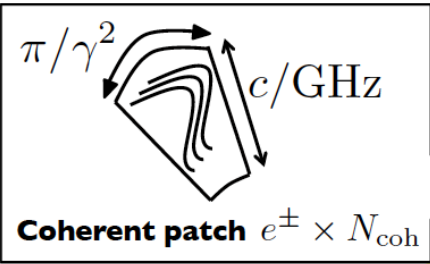


$$E_{\text{max}} \approx \frac{GM^2}{r} \approx 10^{50} \text{ erg}$$

$$\Omega \approx \frac{v}{r} \sim 1 \text{ s}^{-1} r_{8.7}^{-3/2}$$

# Timescale

$$c\delta t(1+z)^{-1} \leq 1.5 \times 10^8 (1+z)^{-1} \text{ cm} < 10^{8.7} \text{ cm} \quad \text{WD radius}$$



$$r_{\text{cap}} \approx r \left( \frac{r\Omega}{c} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$\sim 6.7 \times 10^7 \text{ cm } r_{8.7}^{3/2} \Omega_0^{1/2}$$

$$\frac{r_{\text{cap}}}{c} \sim 2.3 \text{ ms } r_{8.7}^{3/2} \Omega_0^{1/2}$$

# Event Rate

## WD-WD merger rate

$$R_{WD^2} \sim 10^{-2} - 10^{-3} \text{ yr}^{-1} \text{ galaxy}^{-1}$$

~4000 WDs in SDSS

Radial velocity  $\Rightarrow$  Binary fraction & distribution  $n(a) \propto a^\alpha$

**Table 1**

Local WD Merger Rates and 95% Confidence Limits

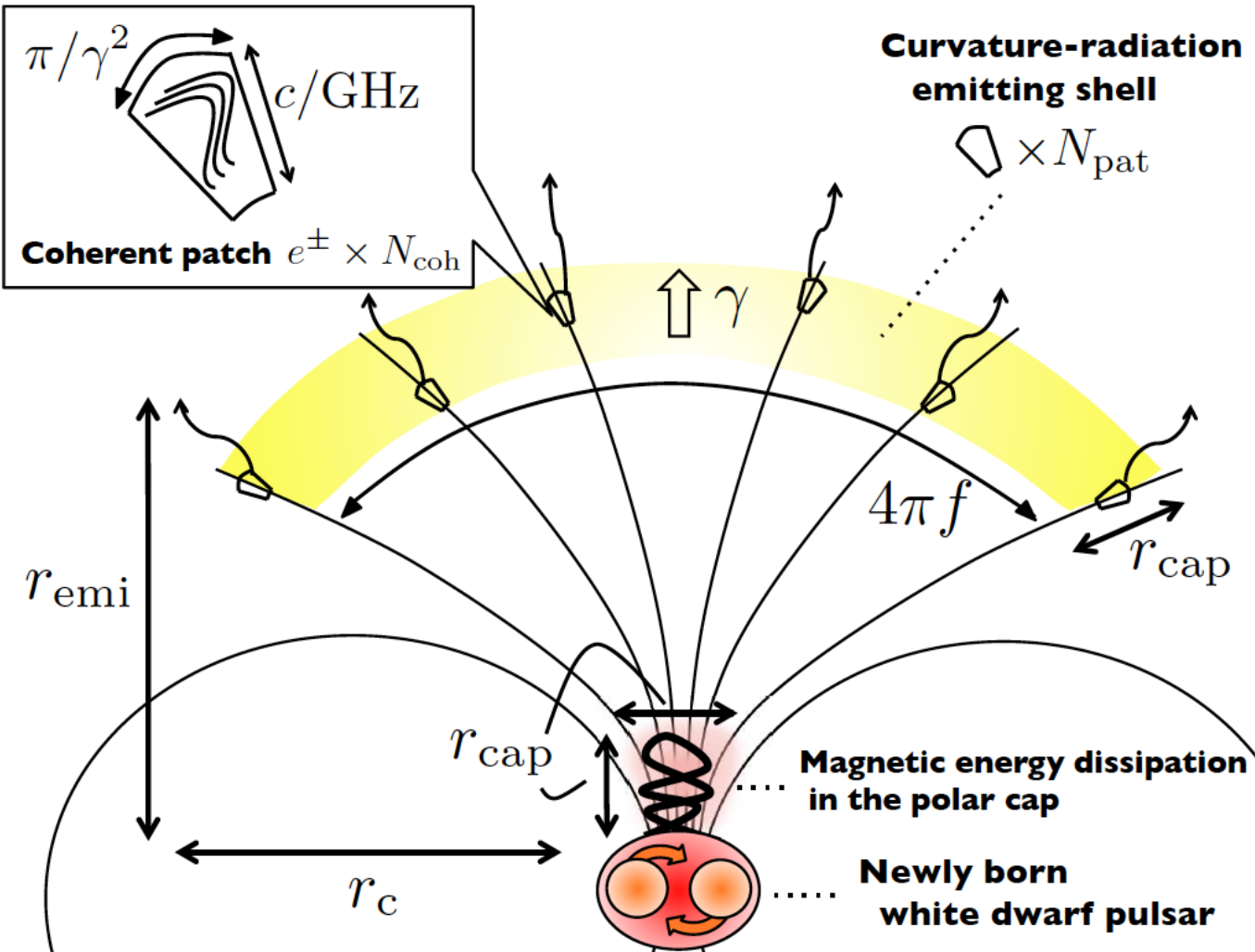
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$\alpha$	$f_{\text{bin}}$	Total Rate ( $10^{-13}$ mergers $\text{yr}^{-1} M_\odot^{-1}$ )	Super-Chandrasekhar Rate ( $10^{-13}$ mergers $\text{yr}^{-1} M_\odot^{-1}$ )
Entire range	0.014–0.32	1.4 (0.16, 7.2)	0.1 (0.016, 0.4)
1.0	0.11–0.24	0.3 (0.065, 0.5)	0.03 (0.017, 0.045)
0.0	0.046–0.22	1.0 (0.46, 2.2)	0.08 (0.03, 0.16)
–1.0	0.021–0.11	3.0 (1.0, 6.0)	0.16 (0.05, 0.3)



# Binary White Dwarf Mergers?

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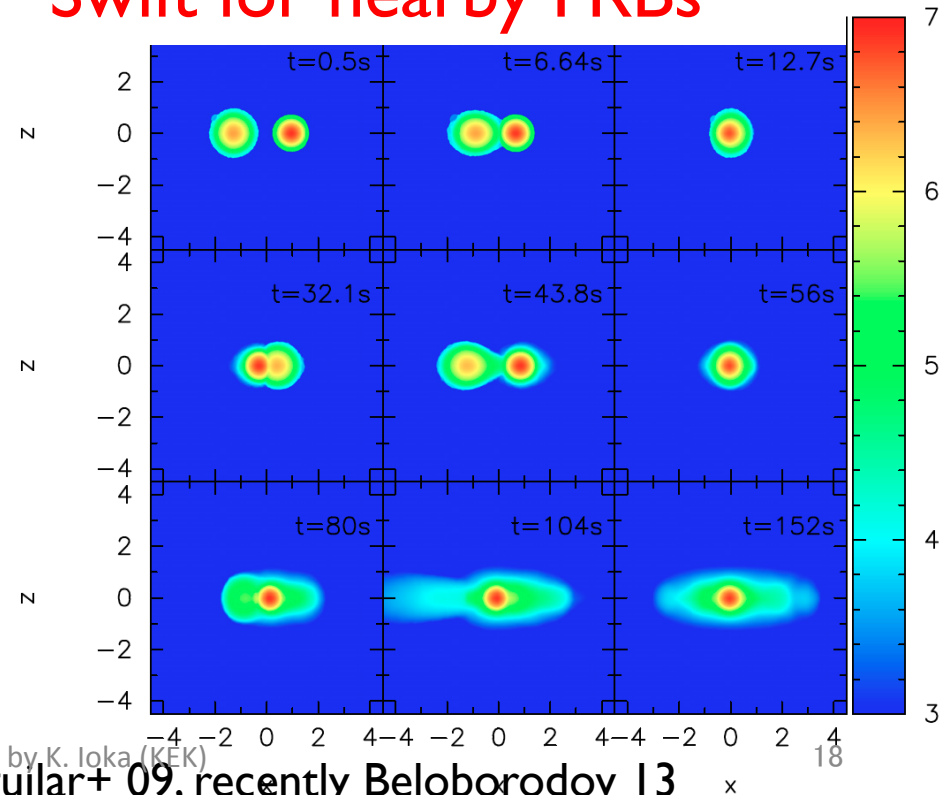
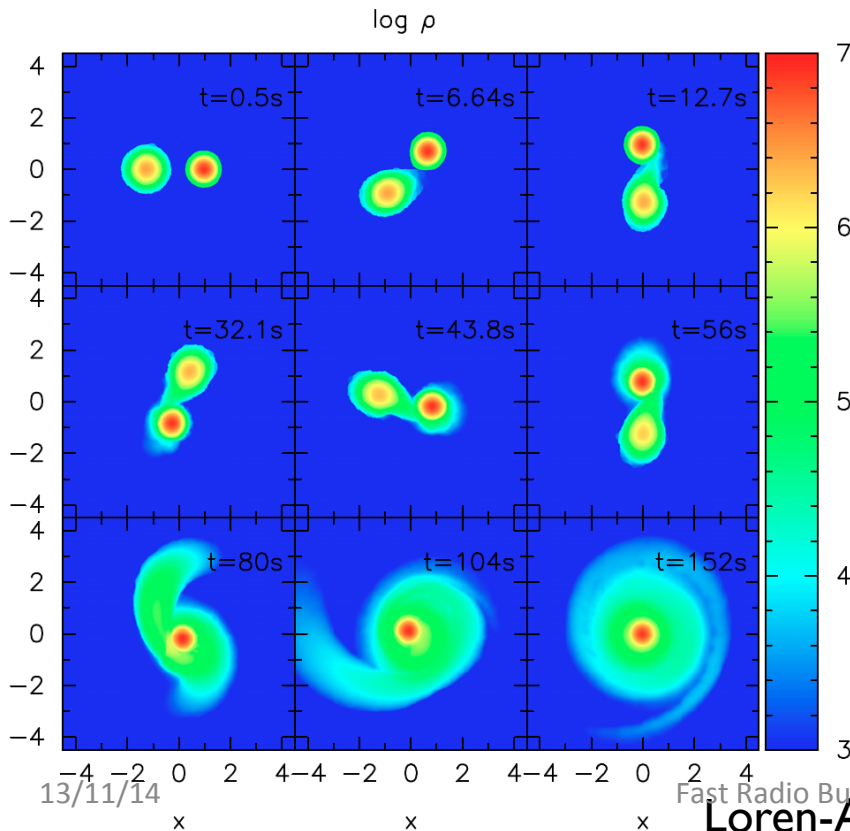


- Energetics  
 $E_B \sim 10^{40}$  erg
- Timescale  
 $r_{cap}/c \sim \text{ms}$
- Event rate  
 $\sim \text{SN Ia}$
- SN Ia as a counterpart?

# Counterparts

- Supernova Ia (Double degenerate model)
- X-ray debris disk

$L_x < 10^{47}$  erg/s for  $\sim 100$  sec  
Swift for nearby FRBs



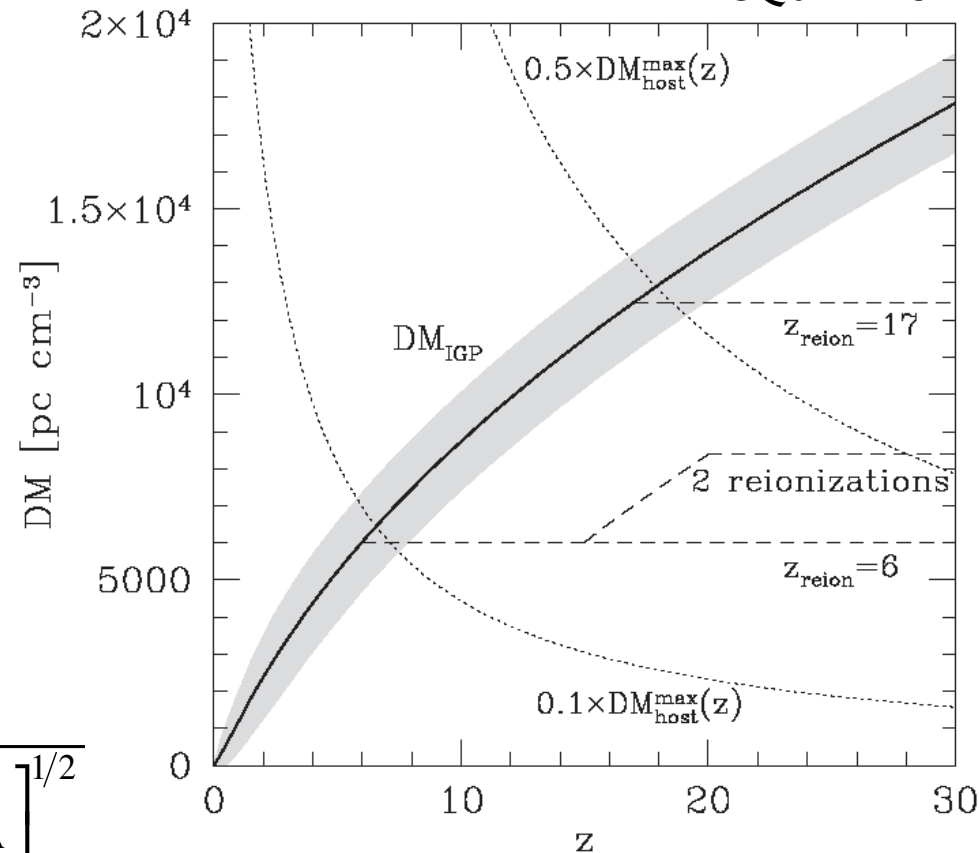
# FRB Cosmology

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- Reionization
- Missing baryon
- Dark energy, cosmological parameters

$$DM_{IGP} = \frac{3cH_0\Omega_b}{8\pi Gm_p} \int_0^z \frac{(1+z) dz}{\left[\Omega_m(1+z)^3 + \Omega_\Lambda\right]^{1/2}}$$

$$d_L = \frac{c(1+z)}{H_0} \int_0^z \frac{dz}{\left[\Omega_m(1+z)^3 + \Omega_\Lambda\right]^{1/2}}$$



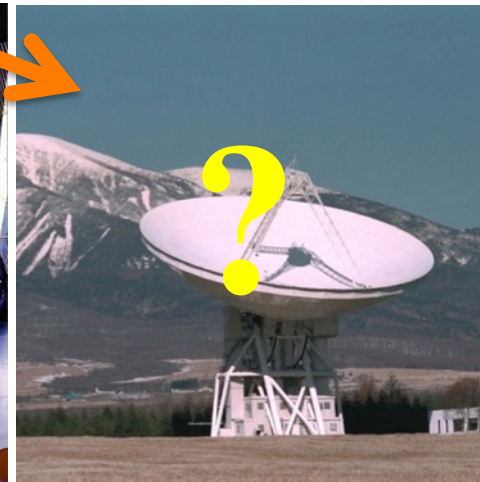
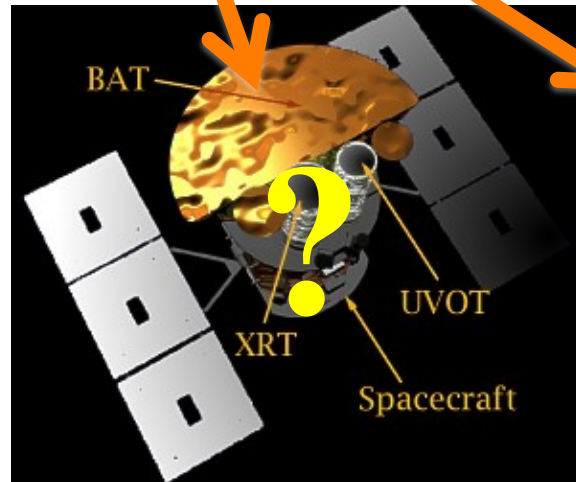
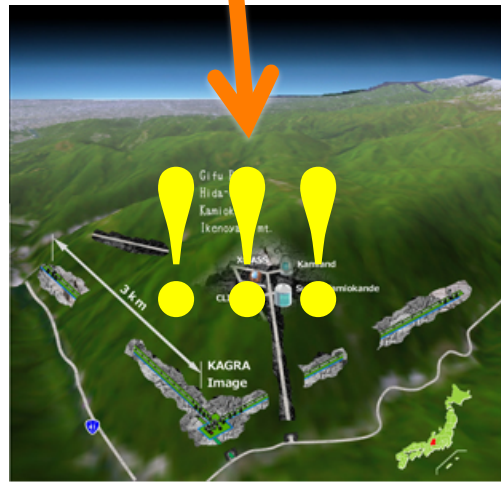
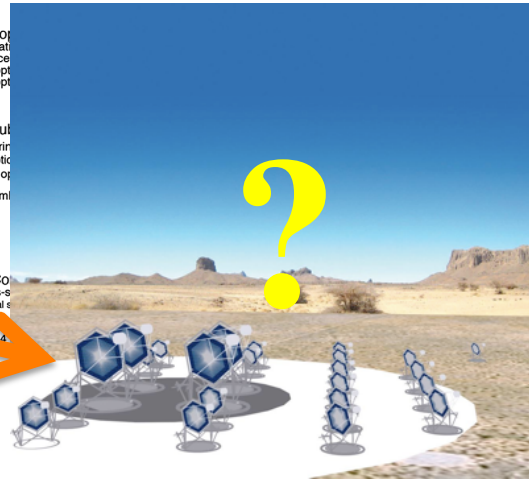
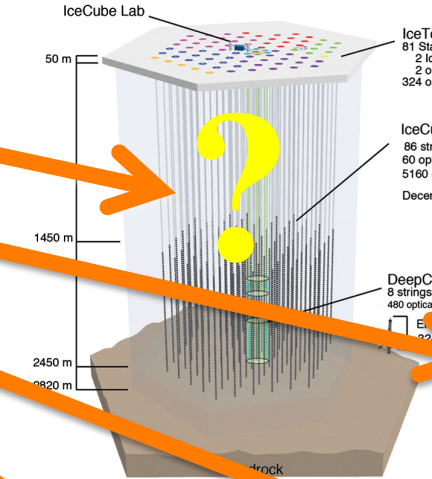
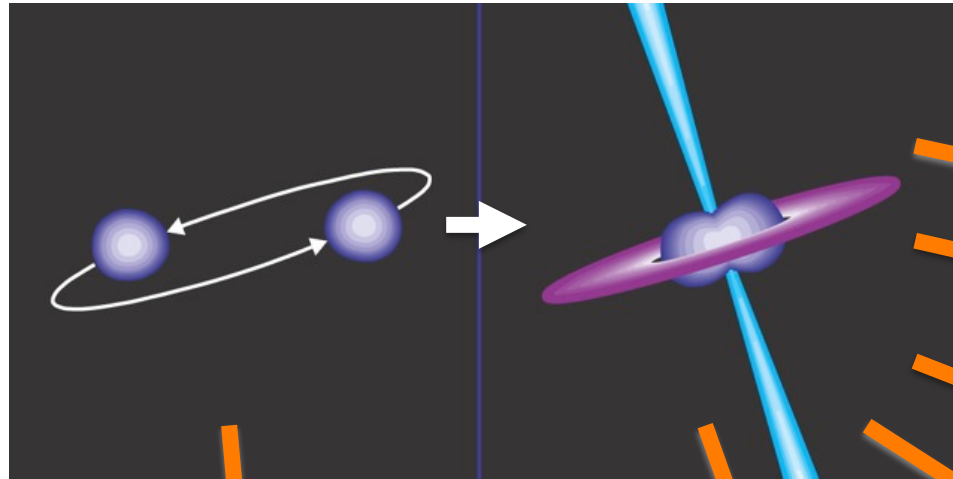
**Fast radio bursts  
as cosmological tools  
New frontier?**

# Counterparts to GW

Gravitational Wave Sources

Neutrino

Gamma-ray



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Gravitational wave

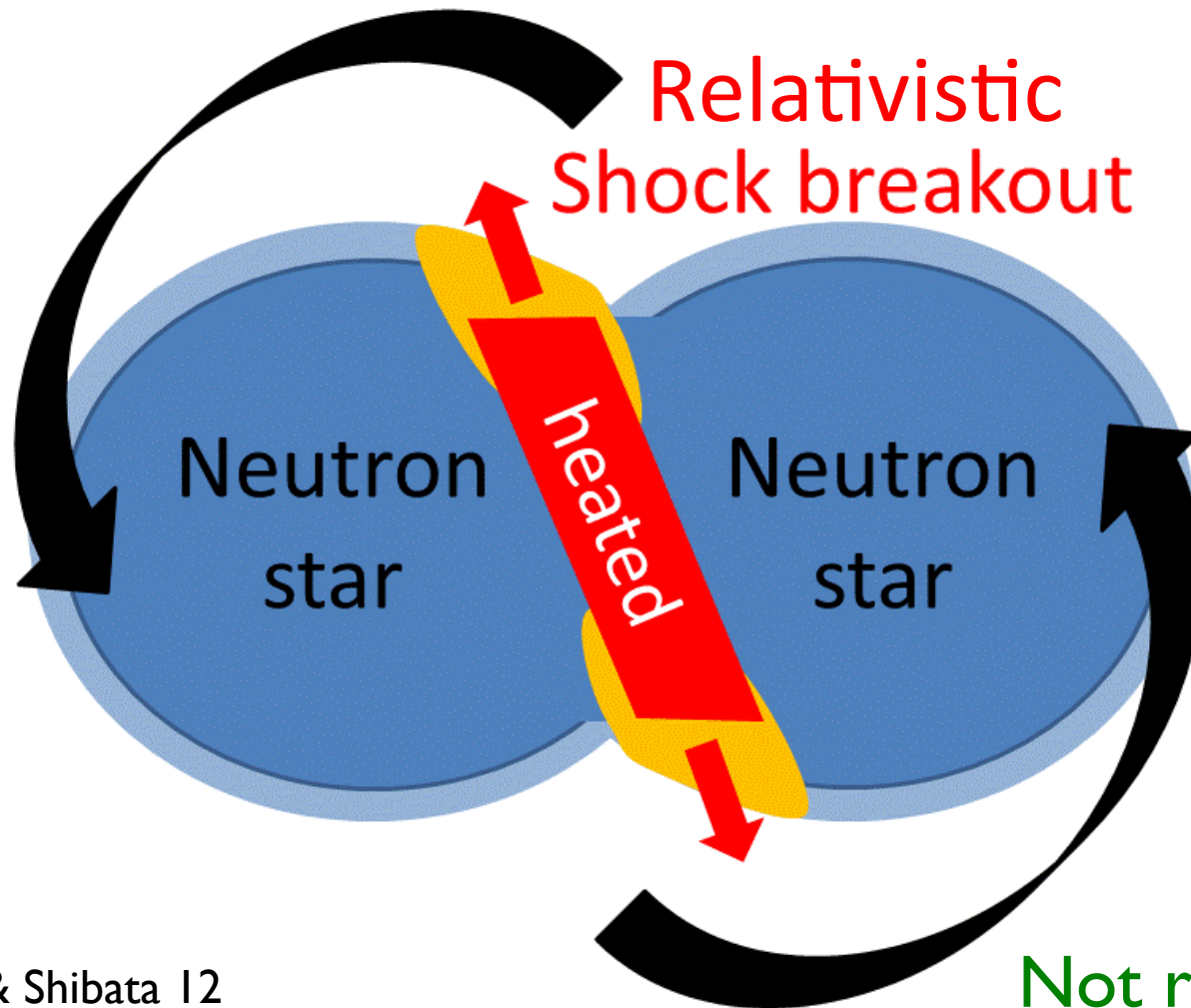
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X-ray

IR-Opt

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# Relativistic Shock Breakout



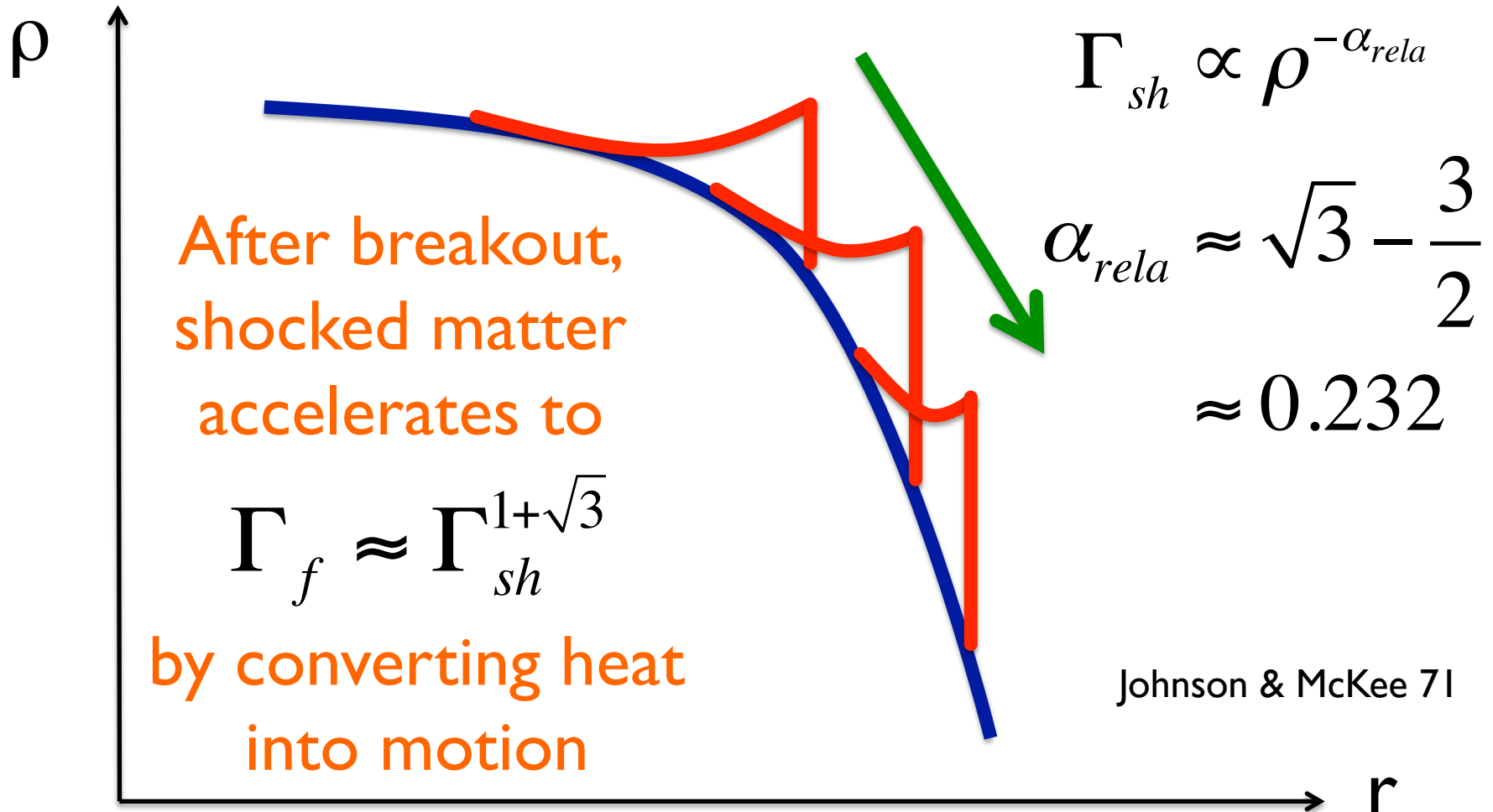
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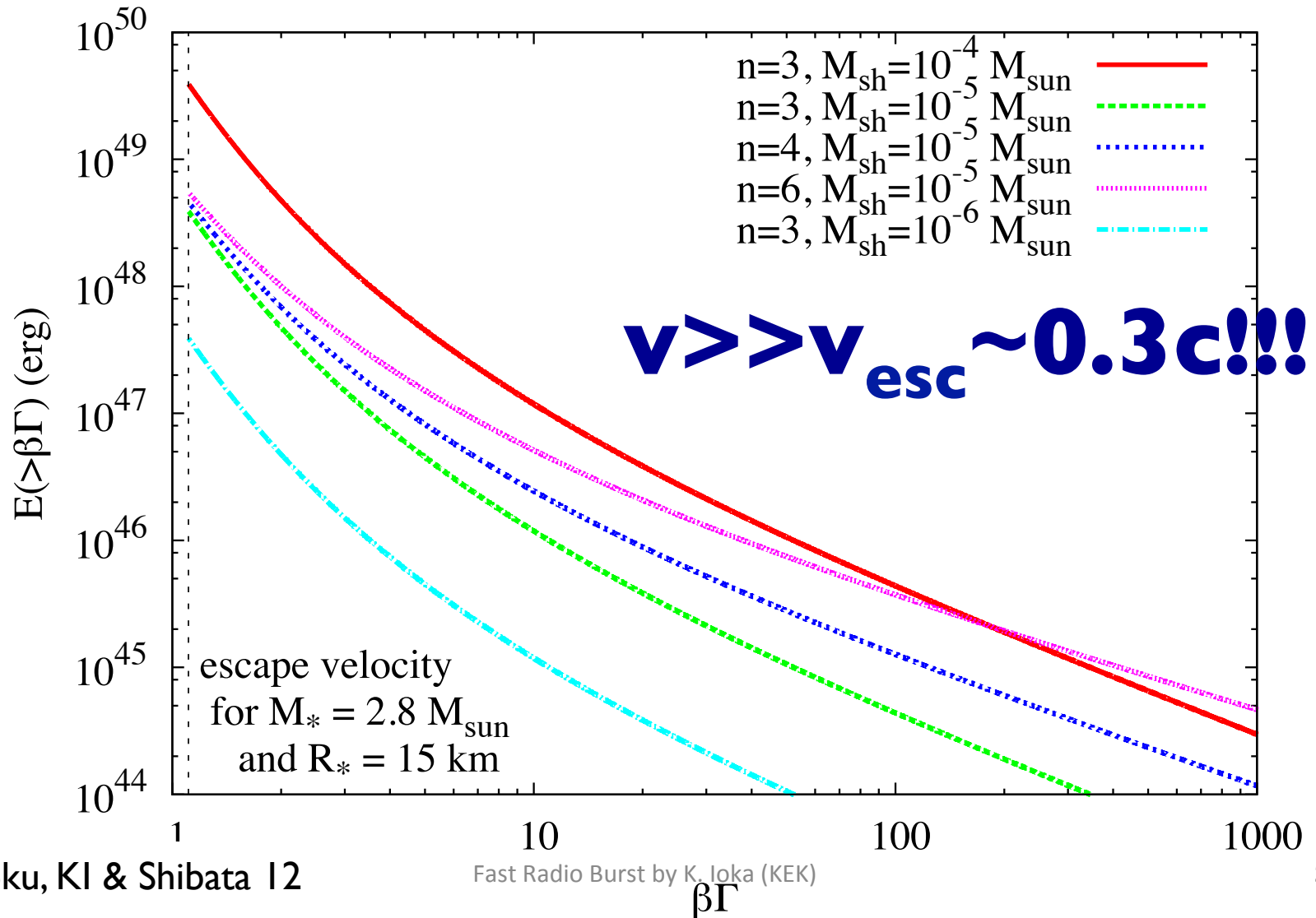
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Not resolved yet  
by numerical simulation

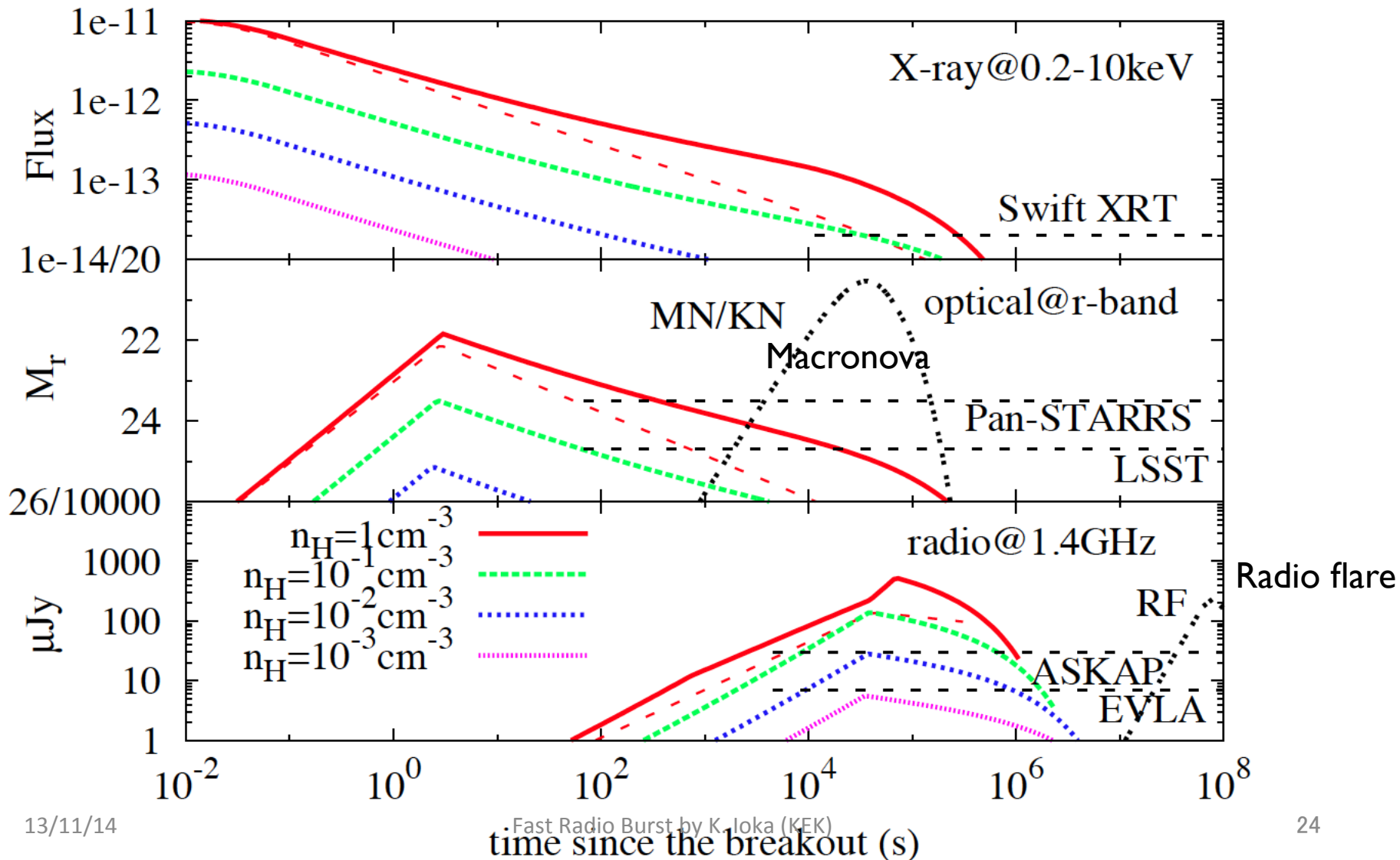
# Relativistic Shock Acceleration



# Relativistic Outflow



# Early & High-Energy Emission





# Summary

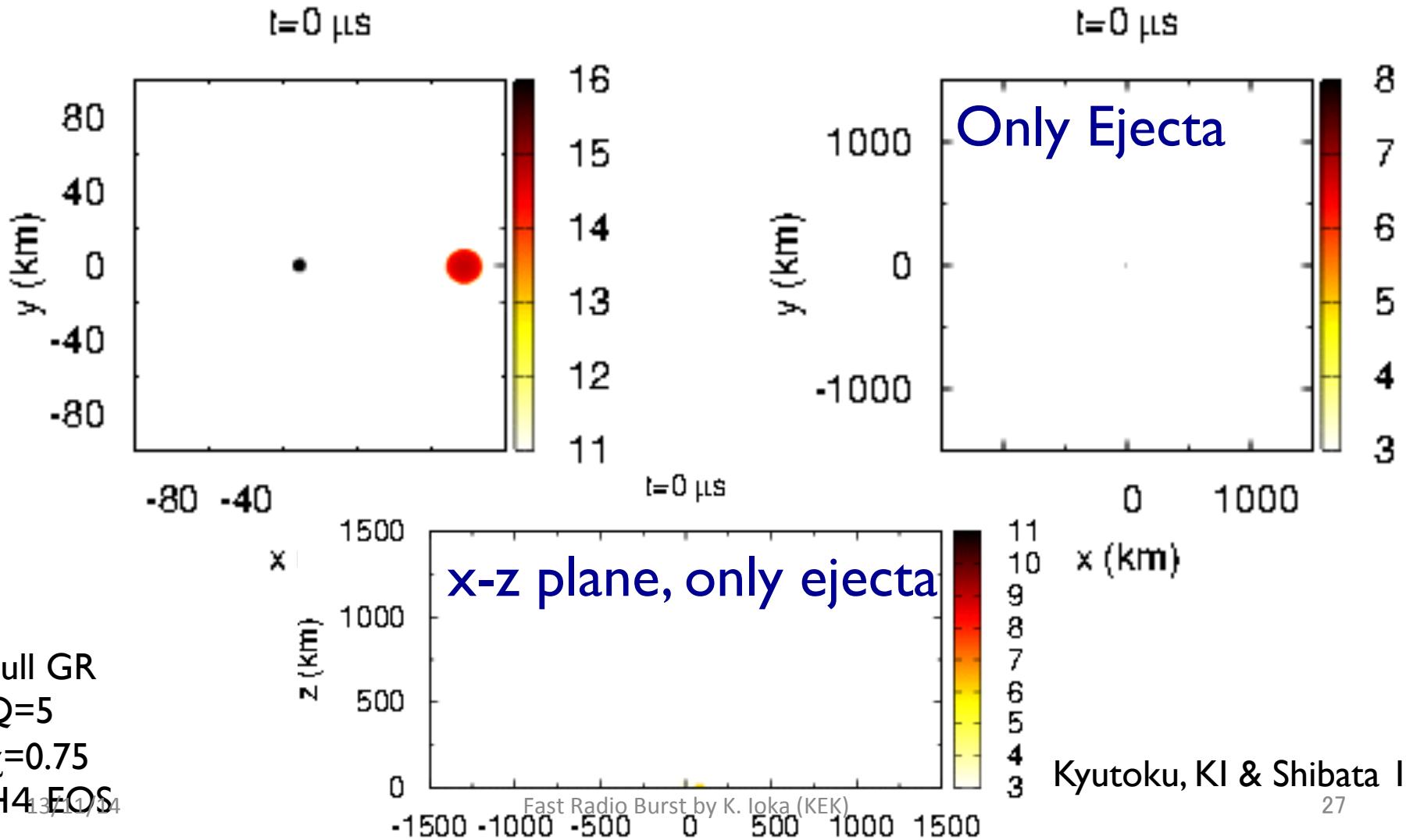
- Fast Radio Burst Thornton+ 13
- Dispersion Measure  $\Rightarrow$  Cosmological? KI 03
- Binary White Dwarf Merger
  - Energetics ✓, Timescale ✓, Event Rate ✓
  - SN Ia, X-ray debris disk
- FRB Cosmology Kashiyama, KI & Mészáros 13
- Ultrarelativistic EM Counterpart to NS<sup>2</sup> Kyutoku, KI & Shibata 13

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# BH-NS Merger

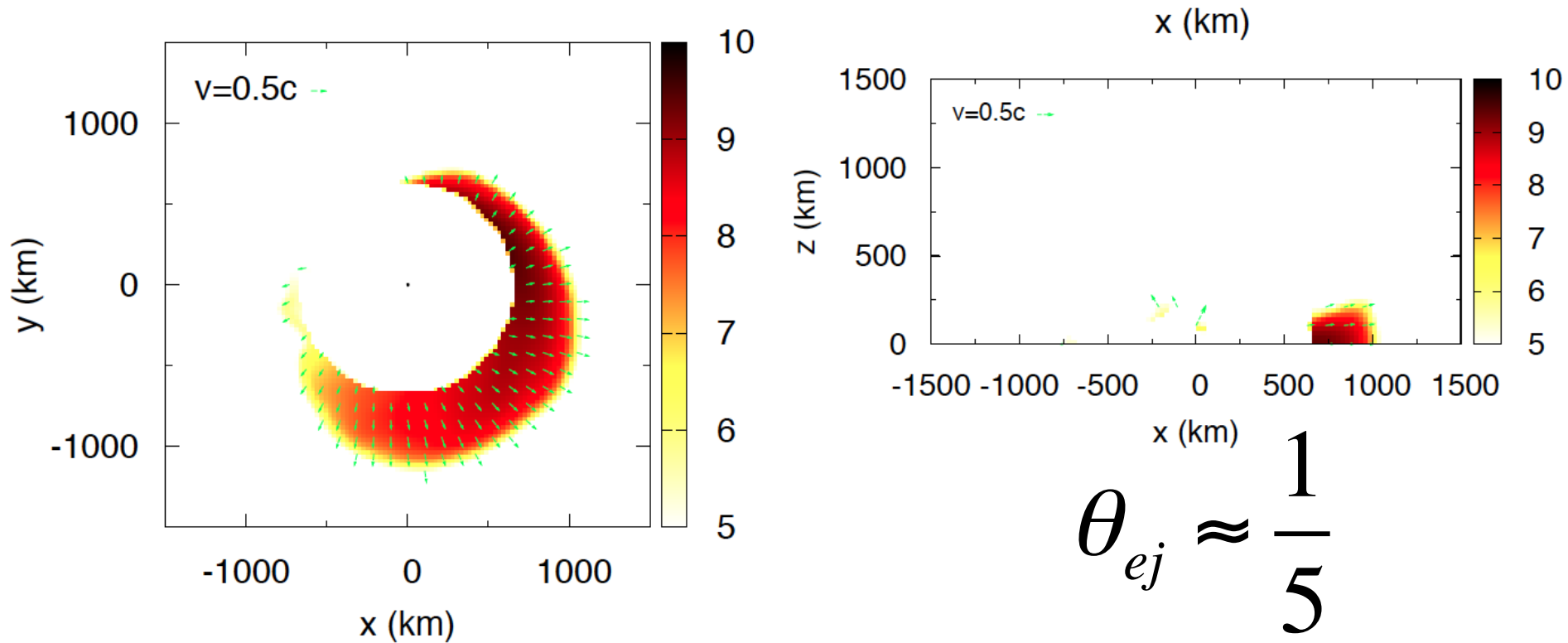
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Full GR  
 $Q=5$   
 $\chi=0.75$   
 H4 EOS

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# Anisotropic Mass Ejection



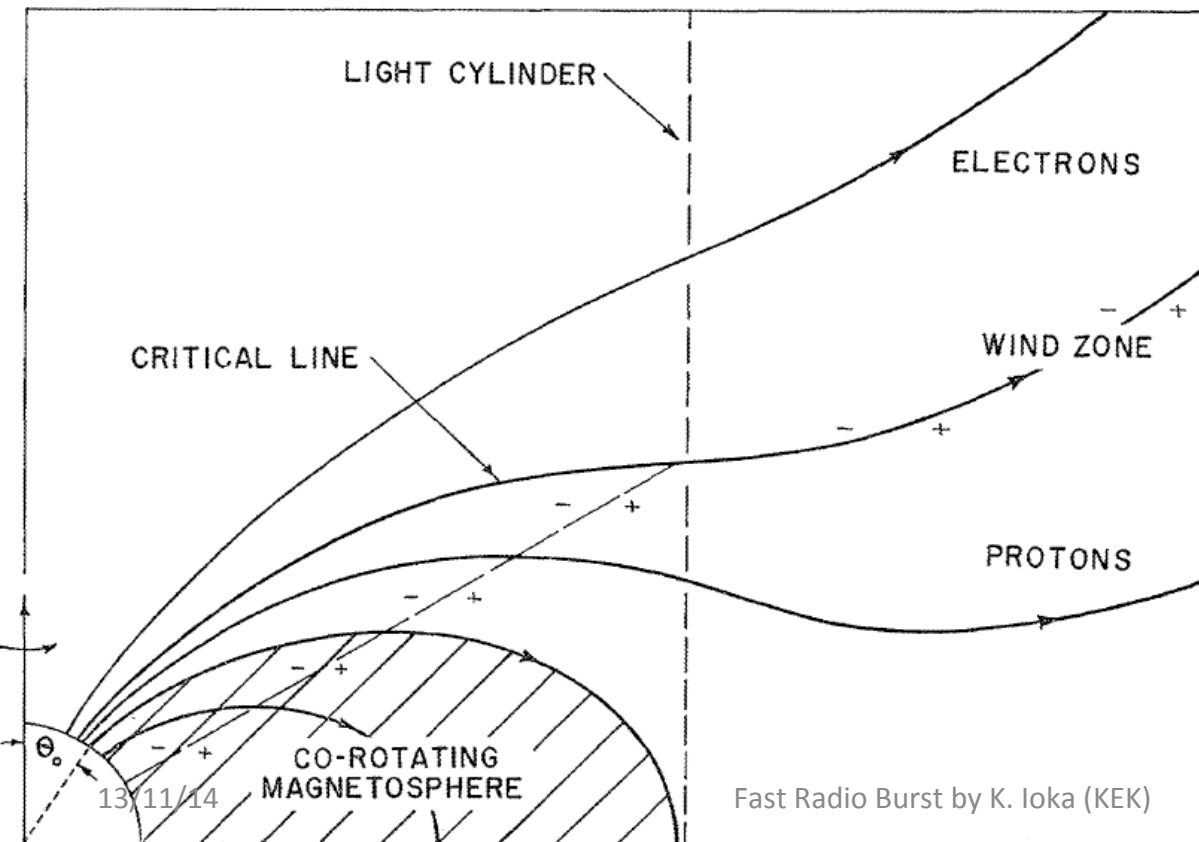
$$\theta_{ej} \approx \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\varphi_{ej} \approx \pi$$

**Viewing angle diversity**  
**Polarization**  
**Proper motion**

# Spin Down Luminosity

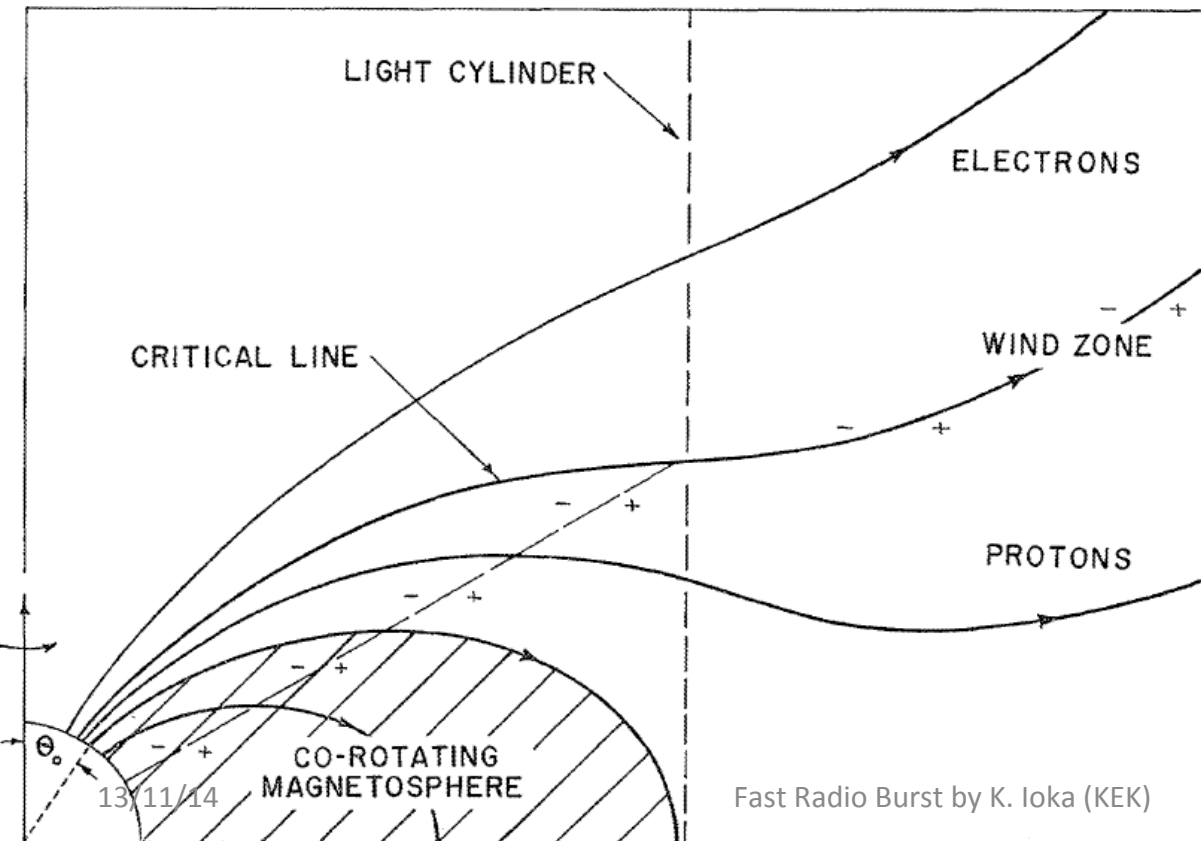
$$L_{spin} \approx \frac{B^2 r^6 \Omega^4}{c^3} \sim 1.7 \times 10^{38} \text{ erg s}^{-1} B_9^2 r_{8.7}^6 \Omega_0^4 \ll 10^{43} \text{ erg/s}$$



**B reconnection  
 $\Rightarrow$  FRB  
 like solar flares,  
 magnetar flares**

# Acceleration

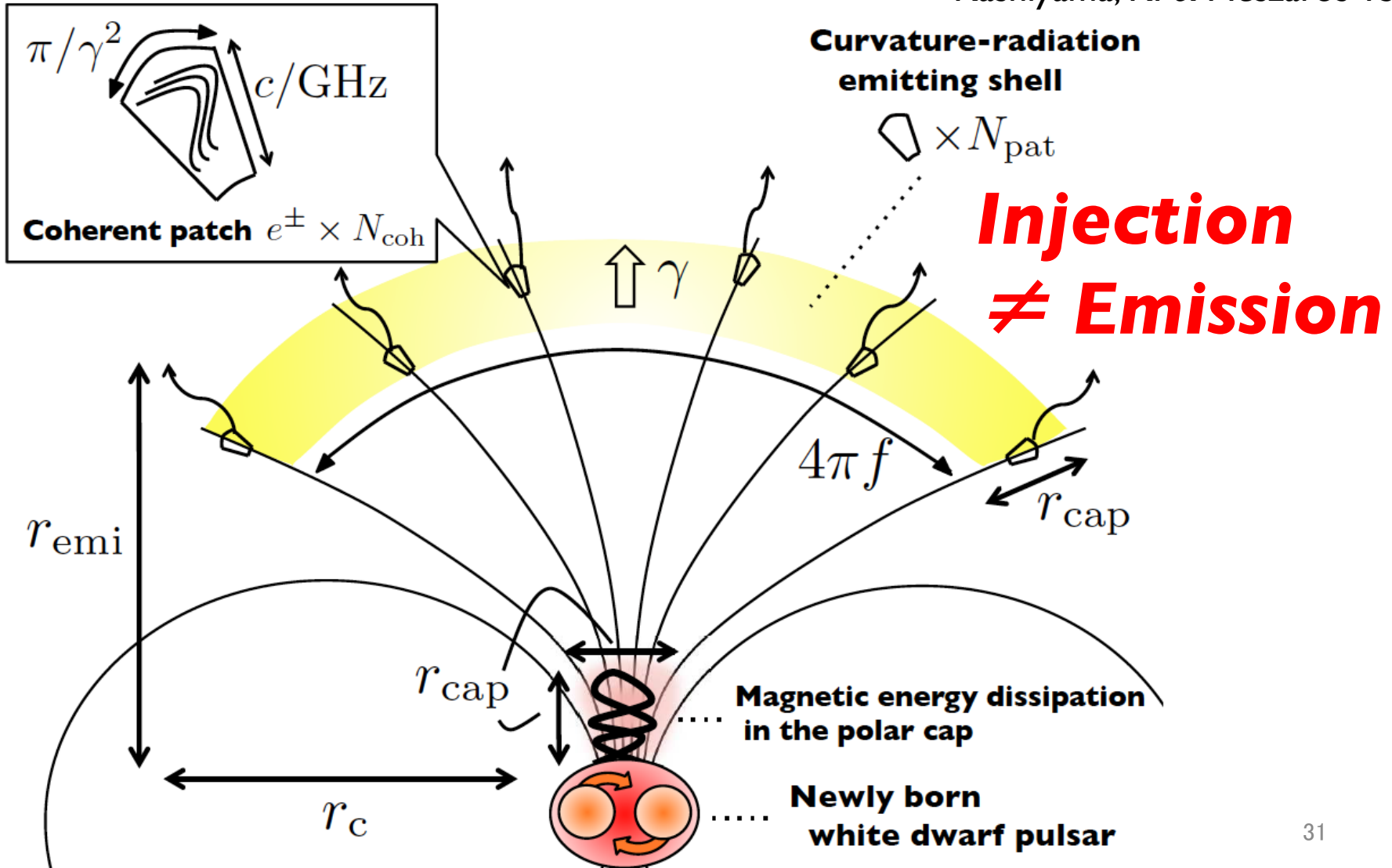
$$\Phi_{\max} \approx \frac{B\Omega^2 r^3}{2c^2} \sim 2.5 \times 10^{16} \text{ Volt } B_9 \Omega_0^2 r_{8.7}^3$$



$\Rightarrow e^\pm$  production  
 $\Rightarrow$  Coherent  
 radio emission

# Beaming

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# Brightness Temperature

$$F_\nu = \frac{\pi r_\perp^2}{d^2} \frac{2\nu^2}{c^2} kT$$

$$T \sim 3 \times 10^{41} \text{ K } L_{43} r_{emi,10}^{-2}$$

⇒ Coherent emission

$$P \sim |E|^2 \sim |E_1 + E_2 + E_3 + \dots + E_N|^2$$

$$\sim N |E_1|^2 \quad (\text{incoherent})$$

$$\sim N^2 |E_1|^2 \quad (\text{coherent})$$

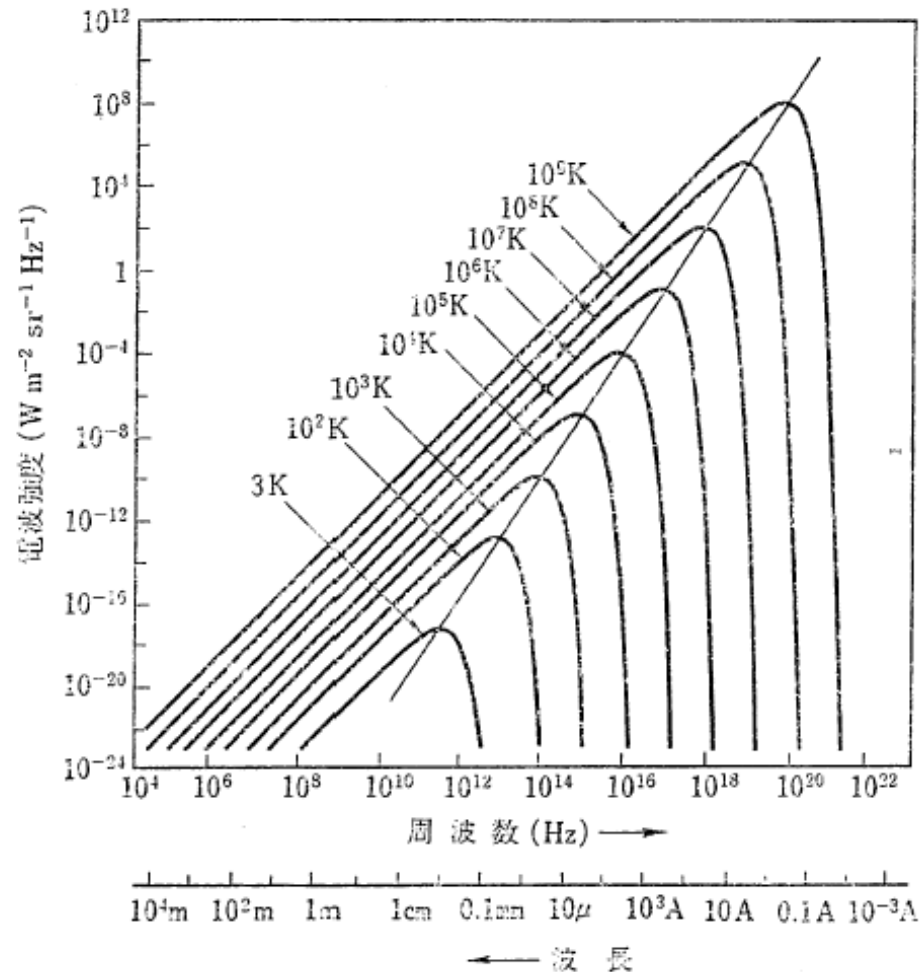
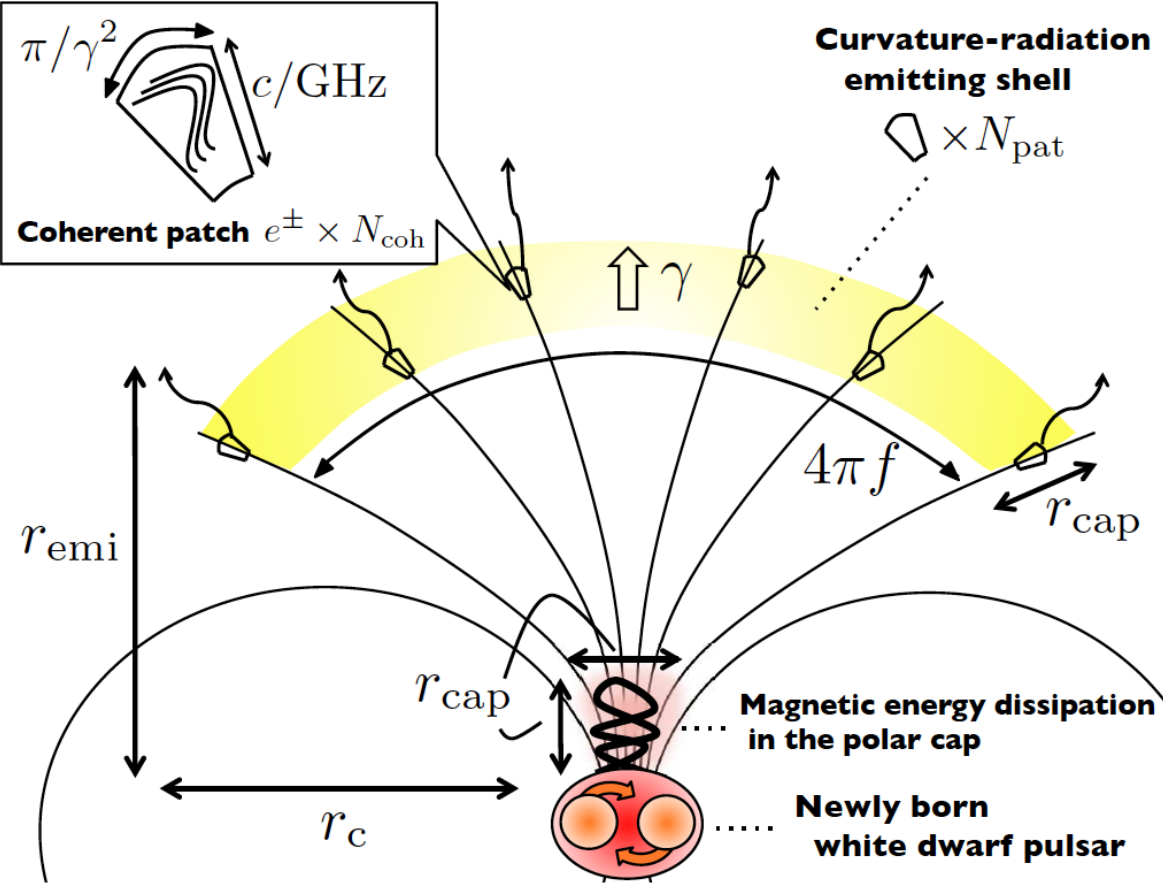


図 2.6 熱放射 (プランク放射) の強度スペクトル



# Curvature Radiation



$$\nu_c \approx \gamma^3 \frac{3c}{4\pi r_c}$$

$$\sim 0.72 \text{ GHz } \gamma_3^3 r_{c,10}^{-1}$$

$$\gamma \geq 1100 \nu_9^{1/3} r_{c,10}^{1/3}$$

# Luminosity

$$L_{\text{tot}} \approx \left( P_c N_{\text{coh}}^2 \right) \times N_{\text{pat}}$$

$$P_c \sim \frac{2\gamma^4 e^2 c}{3r_c^2} \sim 5 \times 10^{-17} \text{ erg s}^{-1} \gamma_3^4 r_{c,10}^{-2}$$

$$N_{\text{coh}} \approx n_e \times V_{\text{coh}} \approx n_e \times \frac{4}{\gamma^2} r_{\text{emi}}^2 \frac{c}{v_c} \sim n_e \times 2 \times 10^{16} \text{ cm}^3 \gamma_3^{-5} r_{c,10} r_{\text{emi},10}^2$$

$$N_{\text{pat}} \approx \frac{V_{\text{emi}}}{V_{\text{coh}}} \approx \frac{1}{V_{\text{coh}}} 4\pi f r_{\text{emi}}^2 \delta r_{\text{emi}} \sim \frac{1}{V_{\text{coh}}} \times 9 \times 10^{28} \text{ cm}^3 f r_{\text{emi},10}^2 \delta r_{\text{emi},7.8}$$

$$L_{\text{tot}} \sim 4 \times 10^{42} \text{ erg s}^{-1} f n_{e,7}^2 \gamma_3^{-1} r_{c,10}^{-1} r_{\text{emi},10}^4 \delta r_{\text{emi},7.8}$$

# Electron Density

$$n_e \sim 2 \times 10^7 \text{ cm}^{-3} L_{43}^{1/2} \gamma_3^{1/2} r_{c,10}^{1/2} r_{emi,10}^{-2} \delta r_{emi,7.8}^{-1/2}$$

## Necessary multiplicity

$$K_{\text{GJ}} = \frac{n_e}{n_{\text{GJ}}} = \frac{n_e}{B_{\text{emi}} \Omega / 2\pi c e} \sim 8 \times 10^3 n_{e,7} B_{\text{emi},5}^{-1} \Omega_0^{-1}$$

## Plasma frequency limit

$$\nu_c \geq \nu_p \approx \frac{\gamma}{2\pi} \left( \frac{4\pi n'_e e^2}{m_e} \right)^{1/2}, \quad n'_e = \frac{n_e}{\gamma}$$

$$n_e \leq 0.6 \times 10^7 \text{ cm}^{-3} \gamma_3^5 r_{c,10}^{-2}$$

# Induced Compton

Melrose 71  
Wilson & Rees 78  
Lyubarsky 08

$$\frac{\partial n(\nu, \Omega)}{\partial t} + c(\Omega \cdot \nabla)n(\nu, \Omega) = \frac{3\sigma_T}{8\pi} N \frac{h}{m_e c} n(\nu, \Omega) \times \int (\mathbf{e} \cdot \mathbf{e}_1)^2 (1 - \Omega \cdot \Omega_1) \frac{\partial \nu^2 n(\nu, \Omega_1)}{\partial \nu} d\Omega_1,$$

Compton scattering is enhanced by photons  
To evade the induced Compton

$$\gamma \geq 2000 r_{c,10}^{3/14} r_{\text{emi},10}^{3/14} n_{e,7}^{3/14}$$