

Highly-magnetized neutron stars as one of the potential origins of FRBs

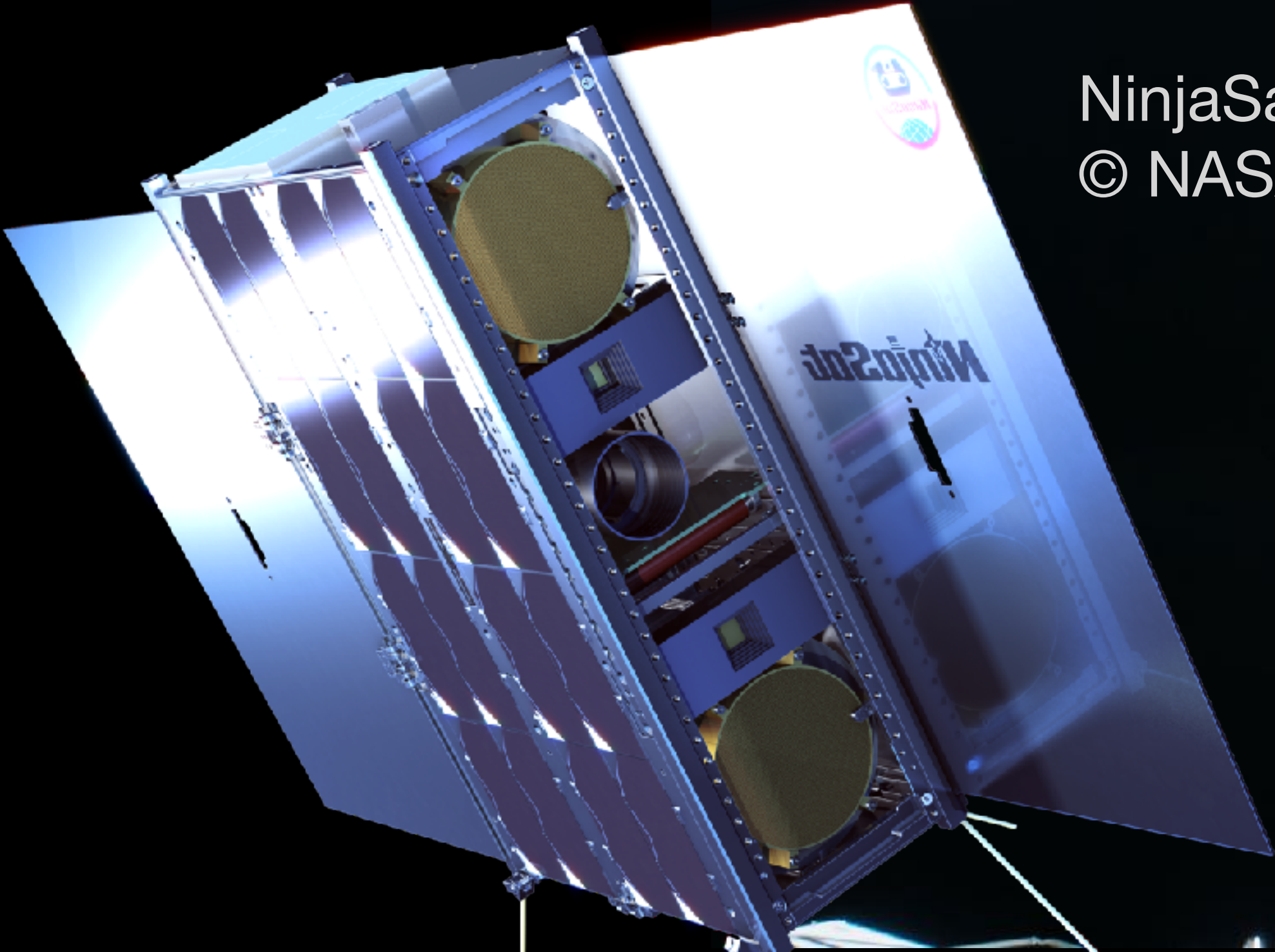
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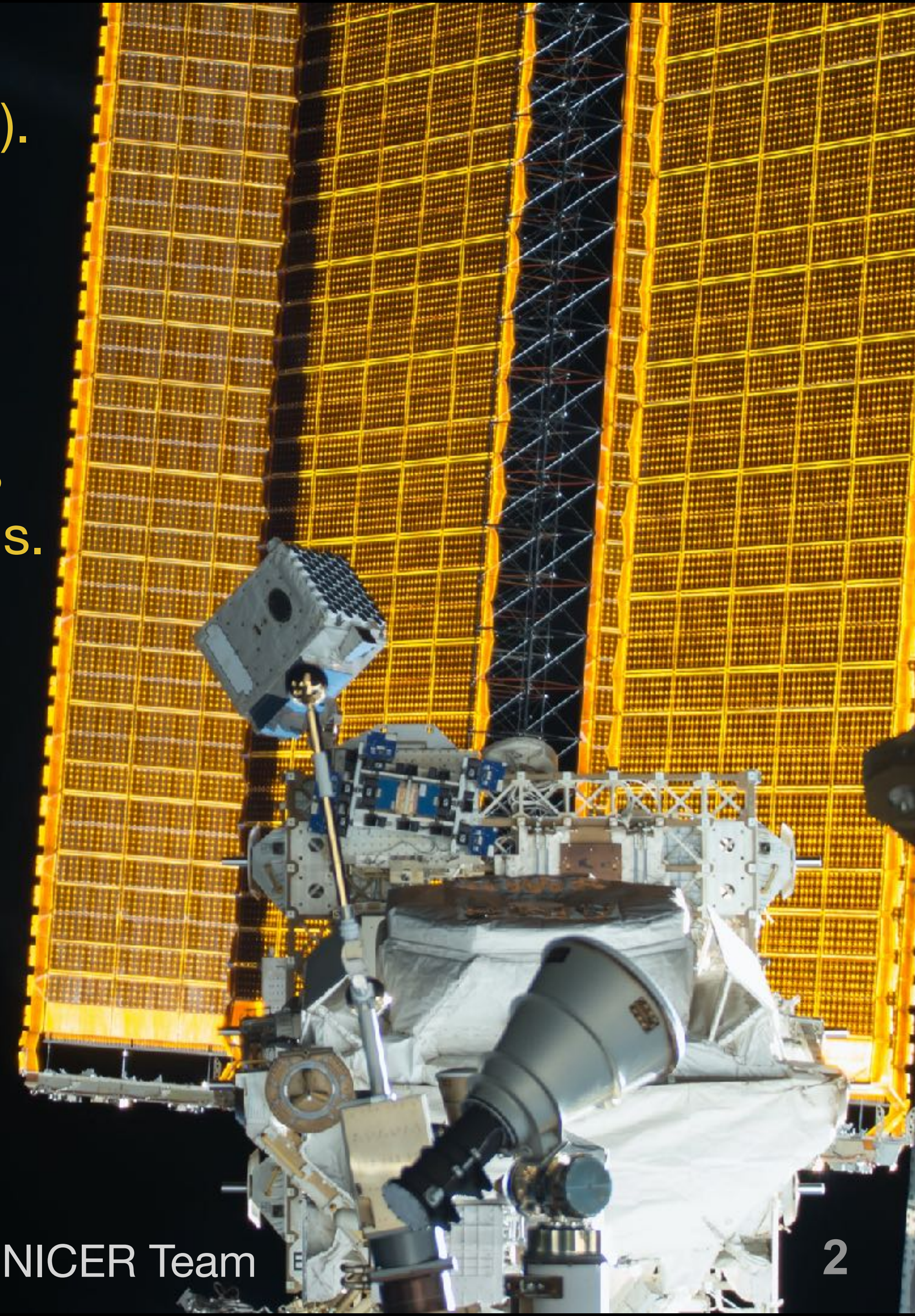
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YITP & YIPOS workshop “Fast Radio Bursts: A Mystery Being Solved?”, Kyoto University

- X-ray astronomer of neutron stars. Launched a new research group at RIKEN in January, 2020 (8 members).
- A chair of the Magnetar and Magnetosphere working group of the NICER X-ray observatory.
- We are planning to launch a 6U-size CubeSat X-ray observatory “NinjaSat” in 2022.
- Spin-off research for high-energy atmospheric physics of lightning (photonuclear reactions) and thunderstorms.
- Open for RIKEN SPDR (基礎特研) fellows.



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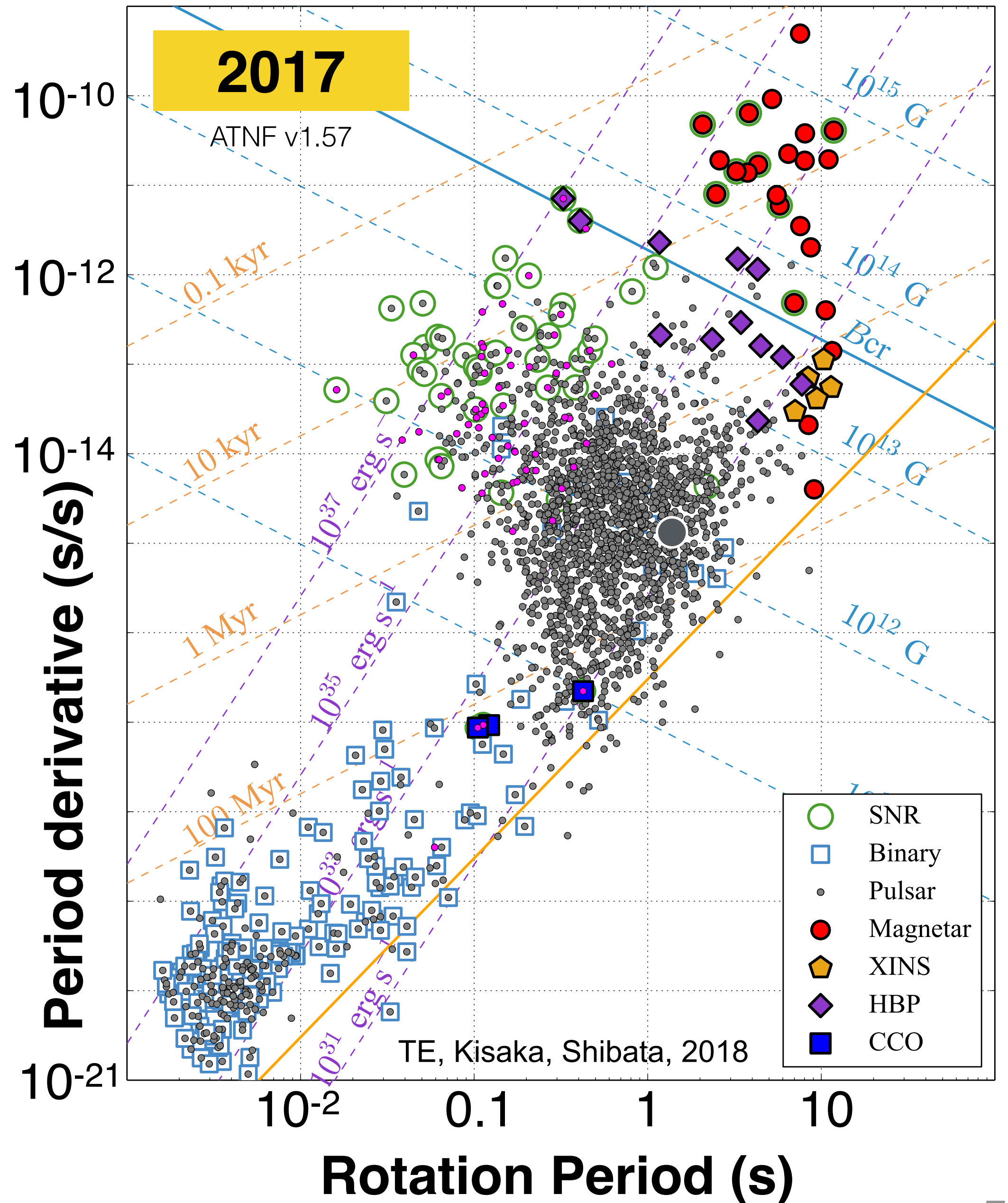
1. Transient magnetars & NICER results of the Galactic FRB magnetar
2. X-ray enhancement associated with the Crab GRPs
3. Magnetar candidates in binary systems?
4. Free precession of magnetars?

FRB observations → **Highly magnetized NS?**

- 2007 **Lorimer burst in 2001 was reported** (Lorimer et al., Science, 2007)
- 2013 **Further 4 FRBs reported from the Parkes** (Thronton et al., Science, 2013)
- 2015 **FRBs were discriminated from “Peyton”** (Petroff et al., MNRAS, 2015)
- 2016 **Repeating FRB 121102 was discovered** (Spitler et al., Nature, 2016)
- 2016 **Bright FRB 150827 with polarization detection** (Ravi et al., Science, 2016)
- 2017 **Host galaxy of FRB 121102 was identified** (Chatterjee et al., Nature, 2017) +2
- 2018 **DM-brightness of two populations?** (Shannon et al., Nature 2018)
- 2019 **The second repeating FRB was found** (CHIME/FRB collaboration, Nature, 2019)
- 2019 **Host galaxy of non-repeating FRB 180924 & 190523** (Bannister et al., 2019, Science; Ravi et al., Nature 2019)
- 2019 **New 8 repeating FRBs were reported** (CHIME/FRB collaboration, ApJ, 2019)
- 2020 **FRB from a Galactic magnetar SGR 1935+2154** (many papers...)
- 2020 **Periodicities detected from repeating FRBs** (CHIME/FRB collaboration+)

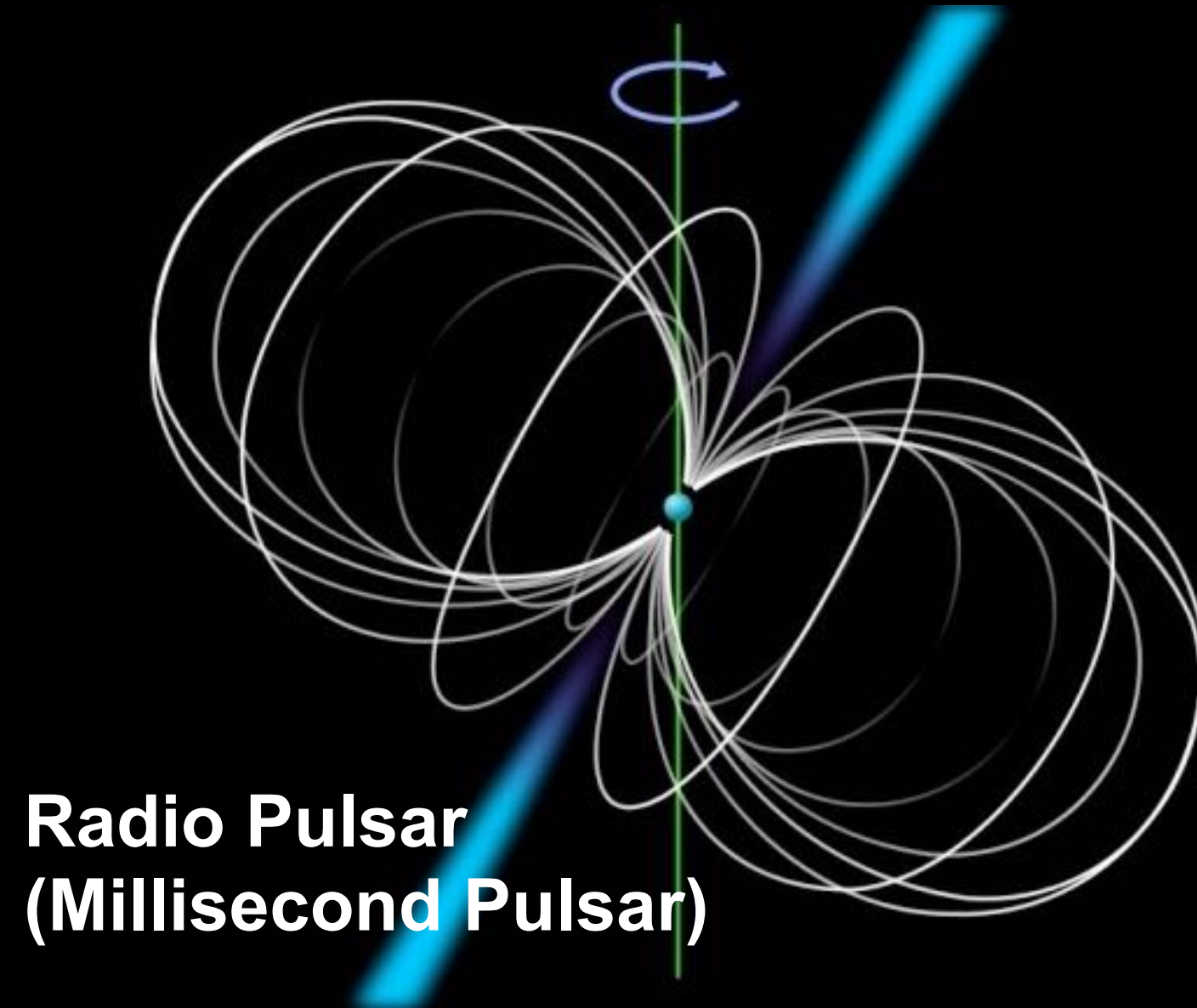
Diversity of neutron stars

- >2,500 known pulsars
- 10^5 in our Galaxy?
- Multi-wavelength observations from radio, optical, X-rays, and gamma rays.



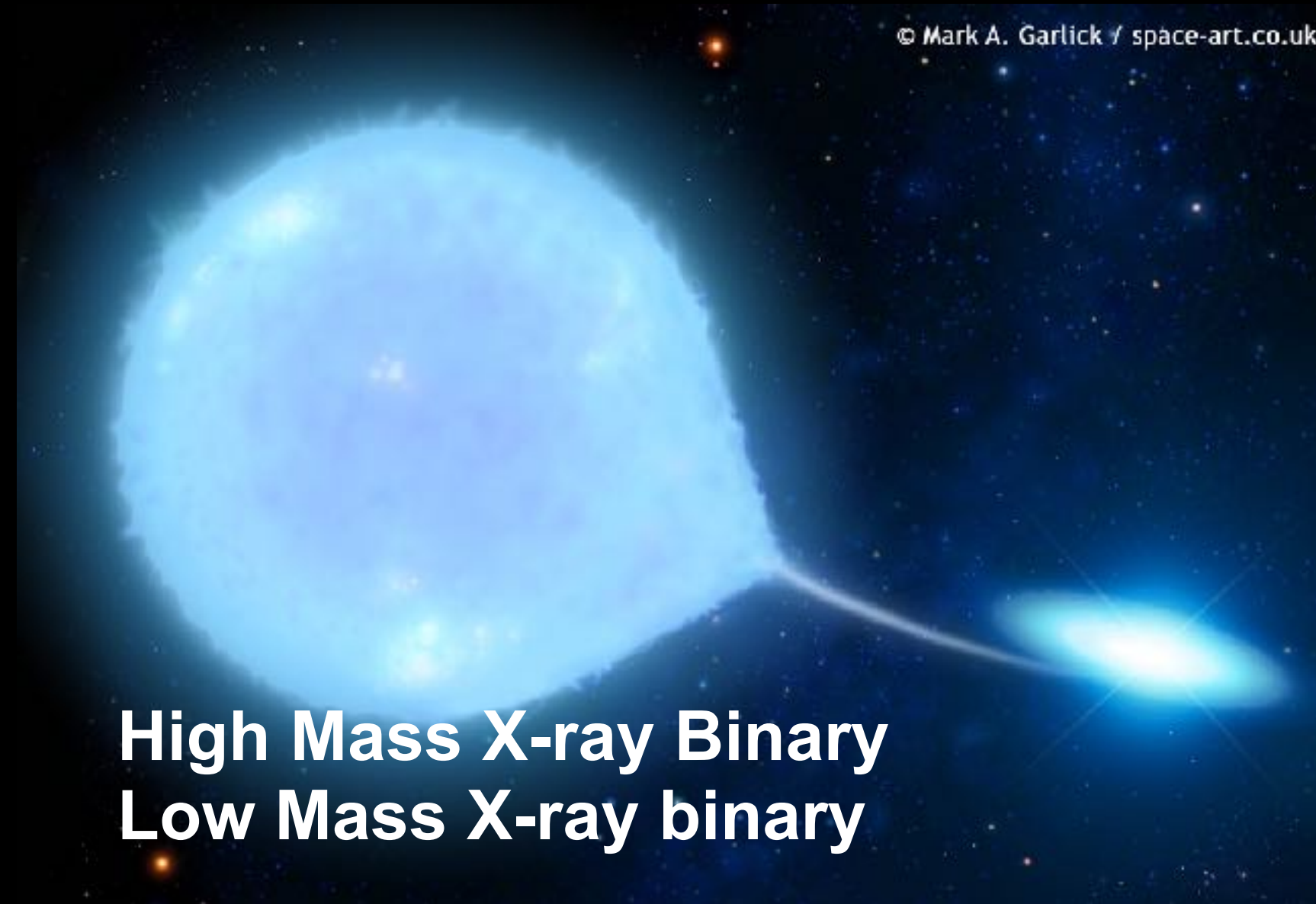
Energy sources of neutron stars

Rotation



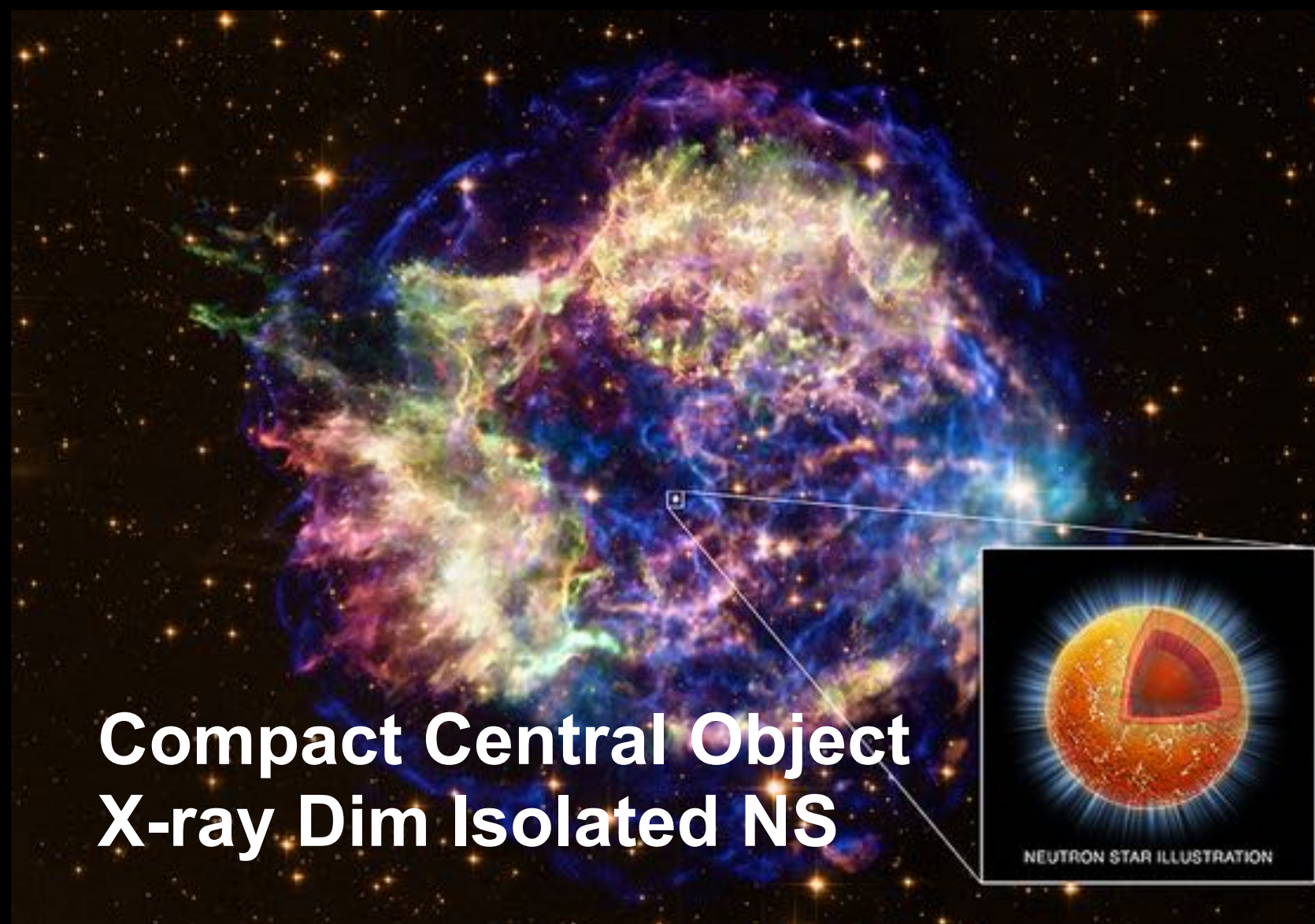
Radio Pulsar
(Millisecond Pulsar)

Accretion



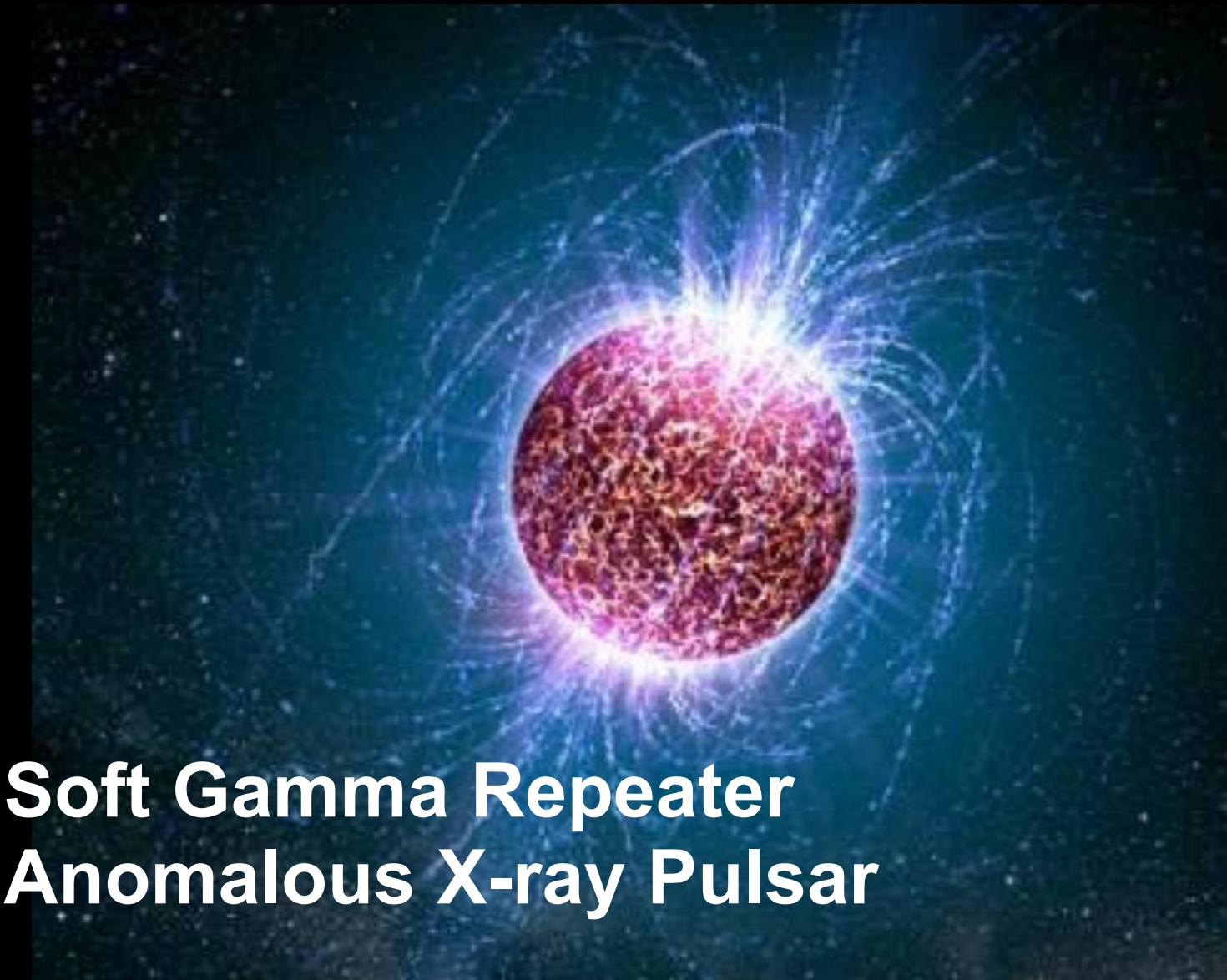
High Mass X-ray Binary
Low Mass X-ray binary

Thermal



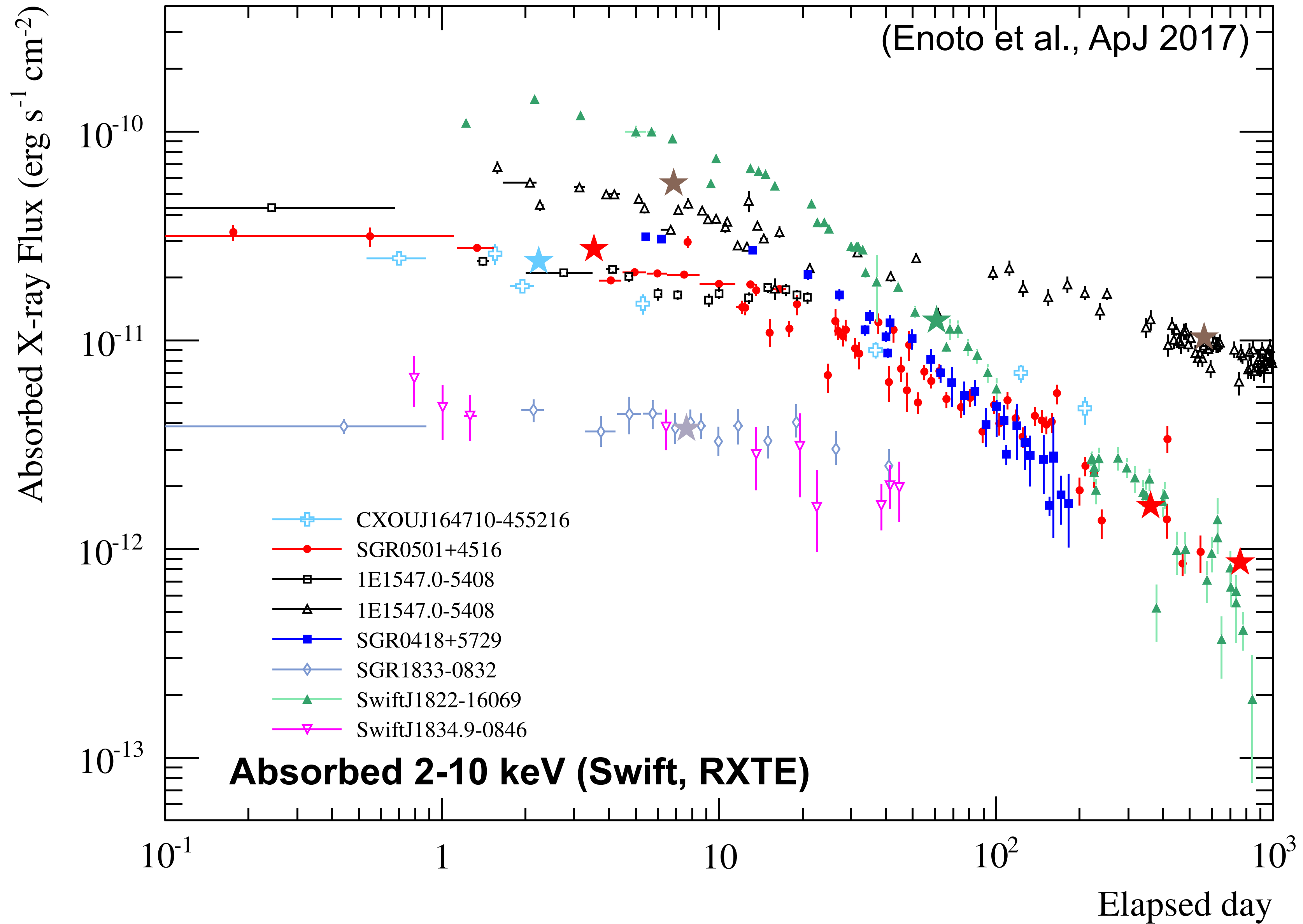
Compact Central Object
X-ray Dim Isolated NS

Magnetic

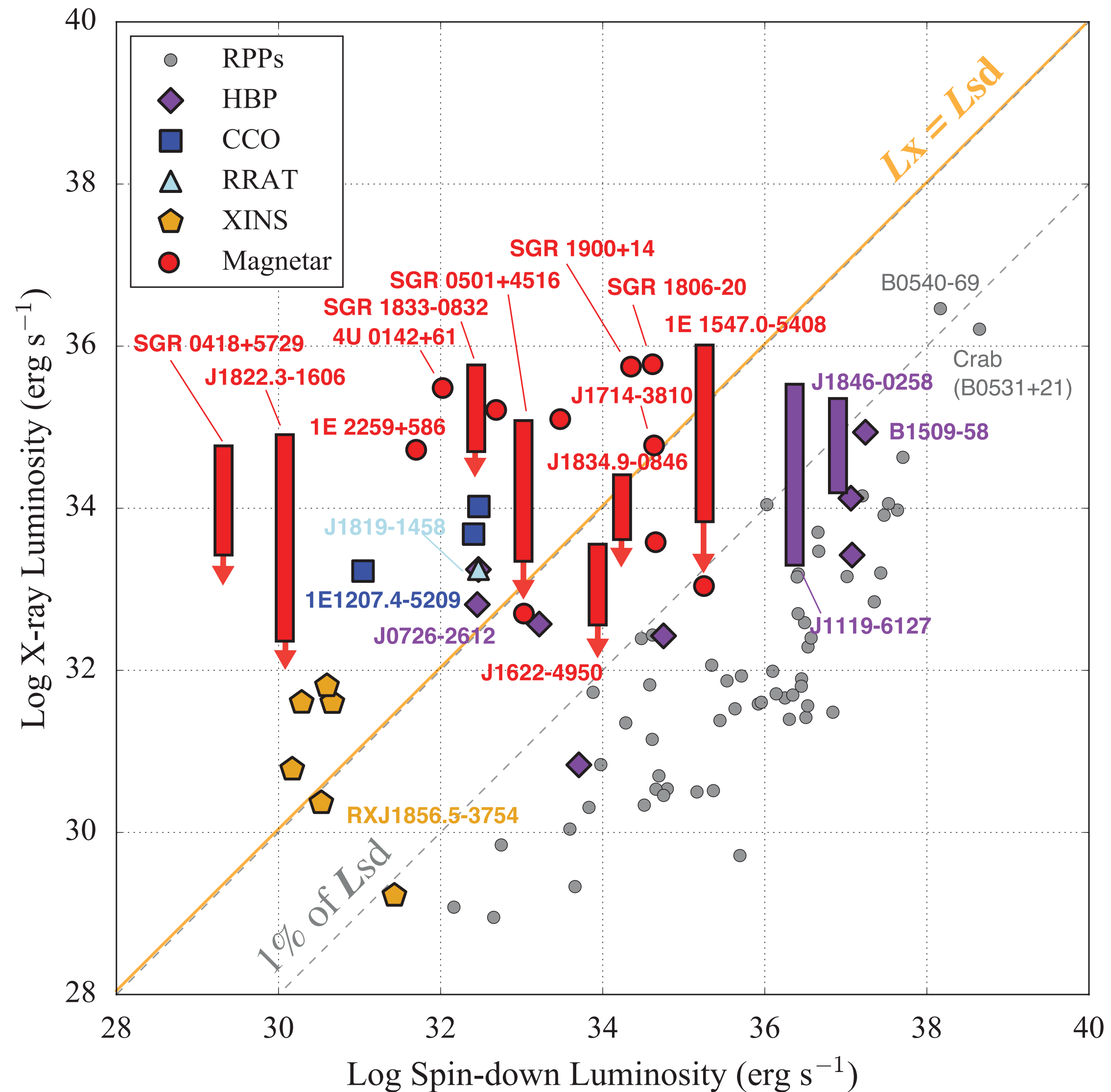


Soft Gamma Repeater
Anomalous X-ray Pulsar

X-ray flux decay of outbursts of transient magnetars



Spin-down luminosity L_{sd} vs. X-ray luminosity L_x



- Spin-down luminosity

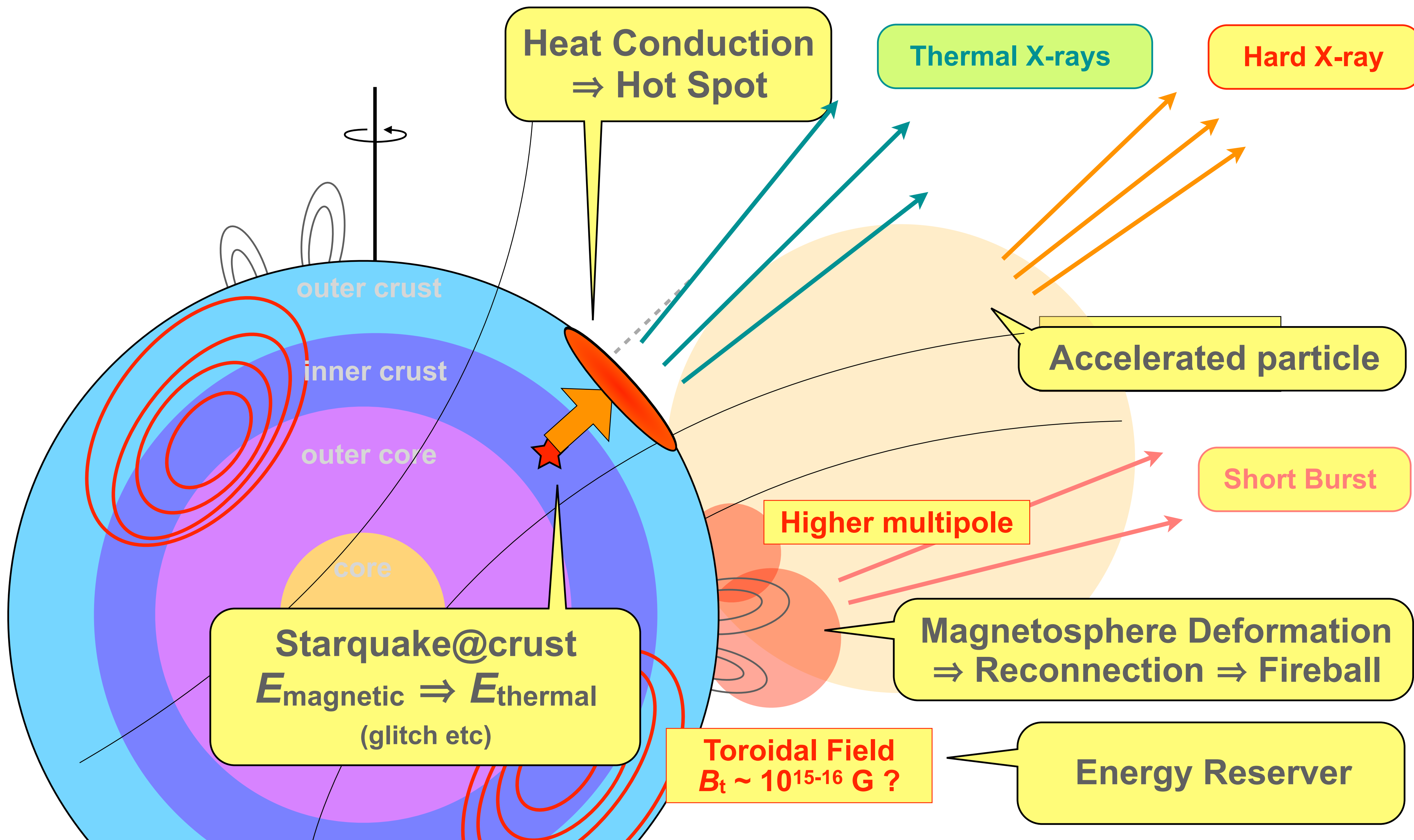
$$L_{sd} \propto \dot{P}/P^3$$

- Rotation powered pulsars: $L_x < L_{sd}$
 - c.f., Eddington luminosity $\sim 10^{38}$ erg/s
- Persistent magnetars: $L_x > \sim L_{sd}$
- Transient magnetars: $L_x \rightarrow < L_{sd}$
- Possibility that many neutron stars can exhibit magnetar-like outbursts?

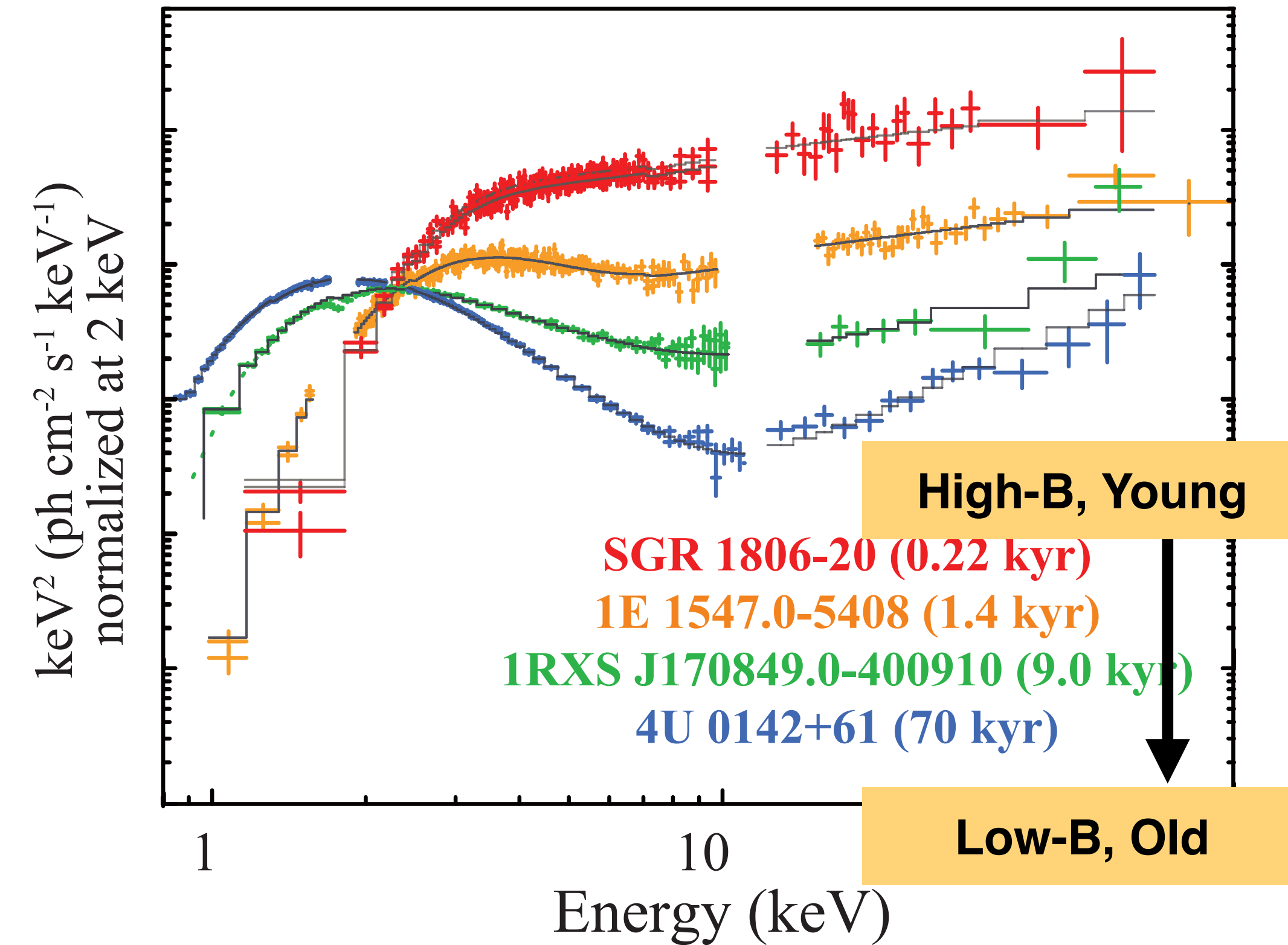
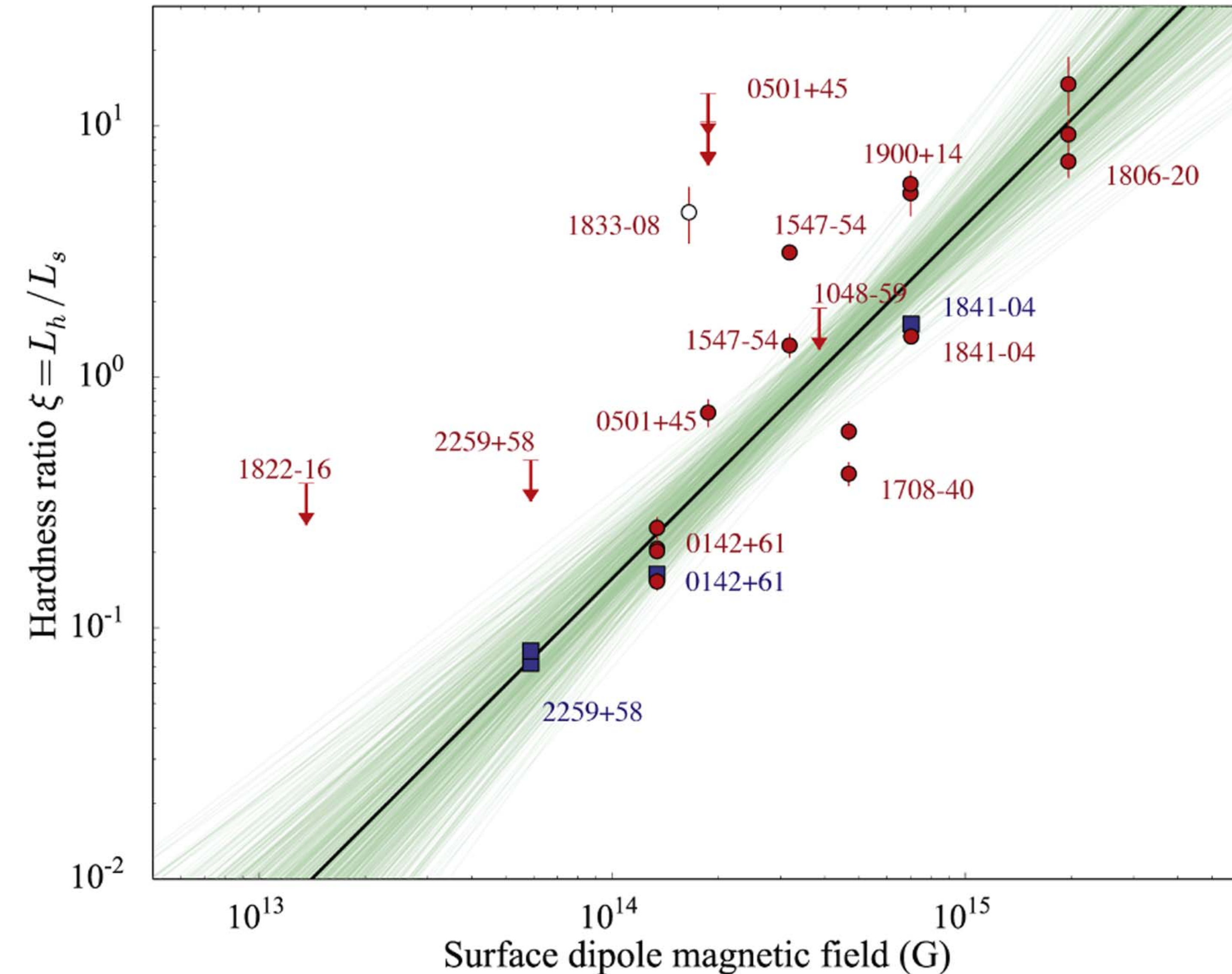
(Review) Enoto, Kisaka, and Shibata,
ROPP (2019)

<https://iopscience.iop.org/article/10.1088/1361-6633/ab3def>

X-ray outburst of magnetars



Magnetar spectral evolution with B-field?



$$\xi = L_h/L_s$$

$$= (0.045^{+0.024}_{-0.016}) \times (B_d/B_{\text{QED}})^{1.44 \pm 0.19}$$

Enoto et al., ApJL 2010
 Enoto et al., ApJS 2017

Review

Observational diversity of magnetized neutron stars

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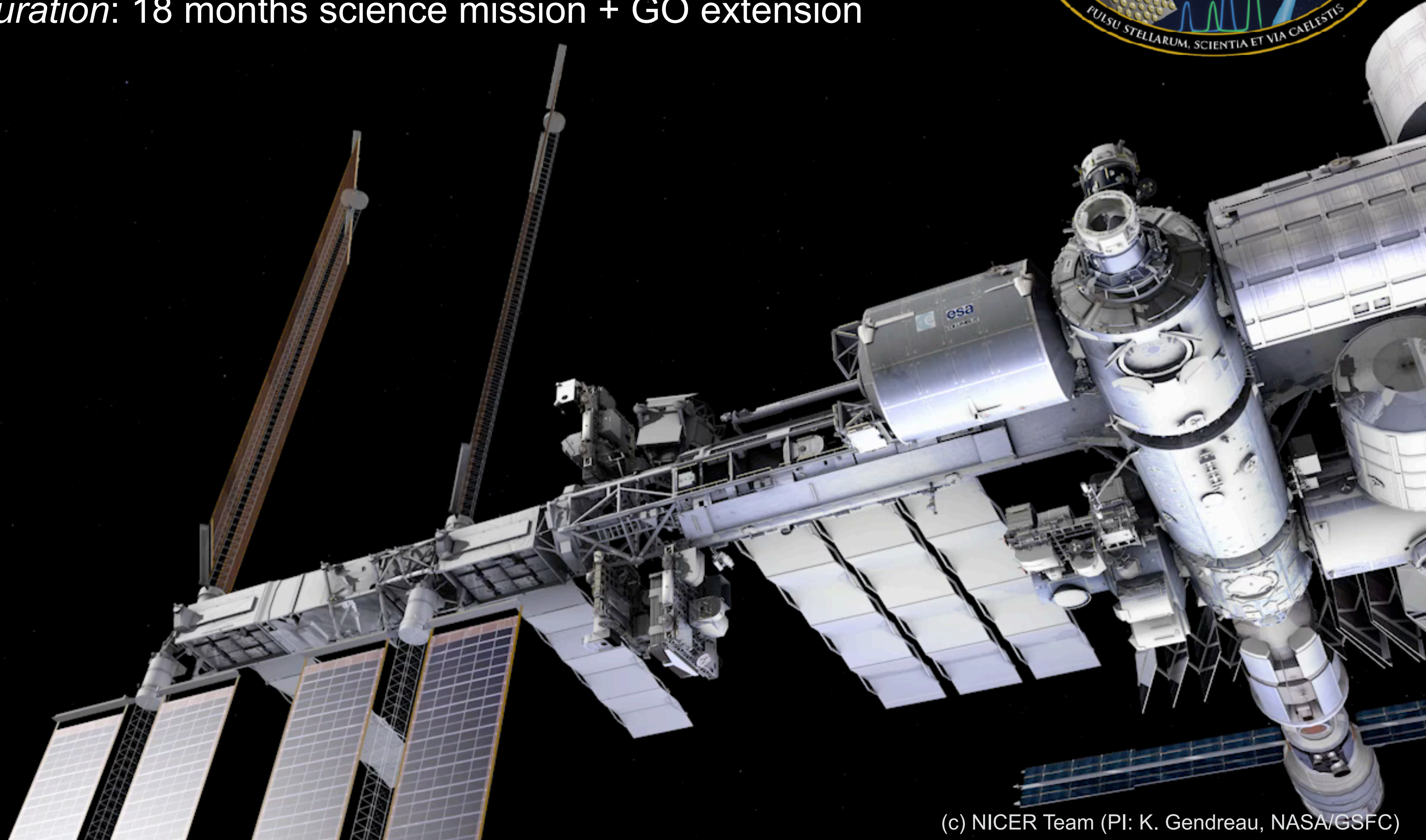
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Python code to draw P-Pdot diagram

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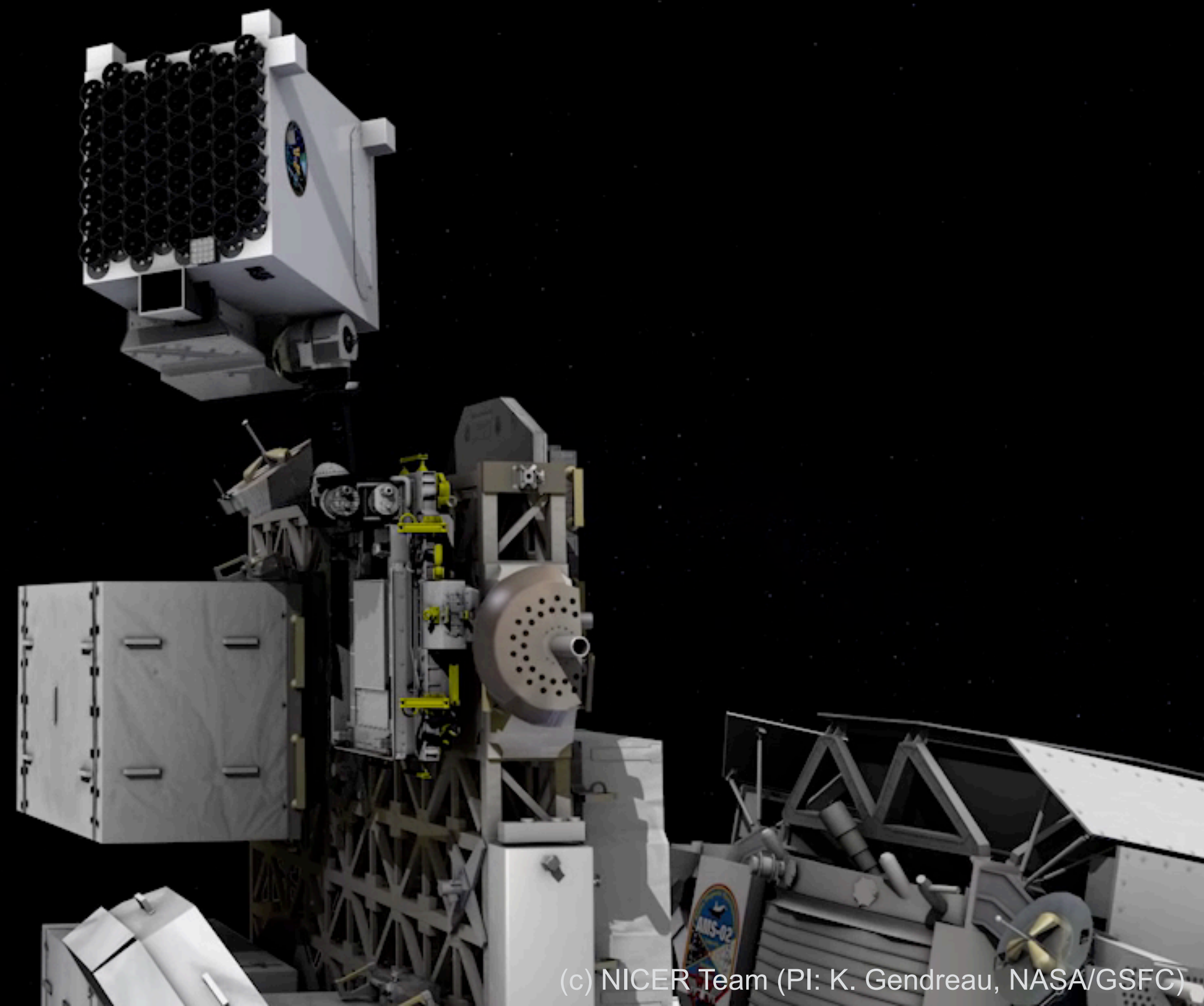
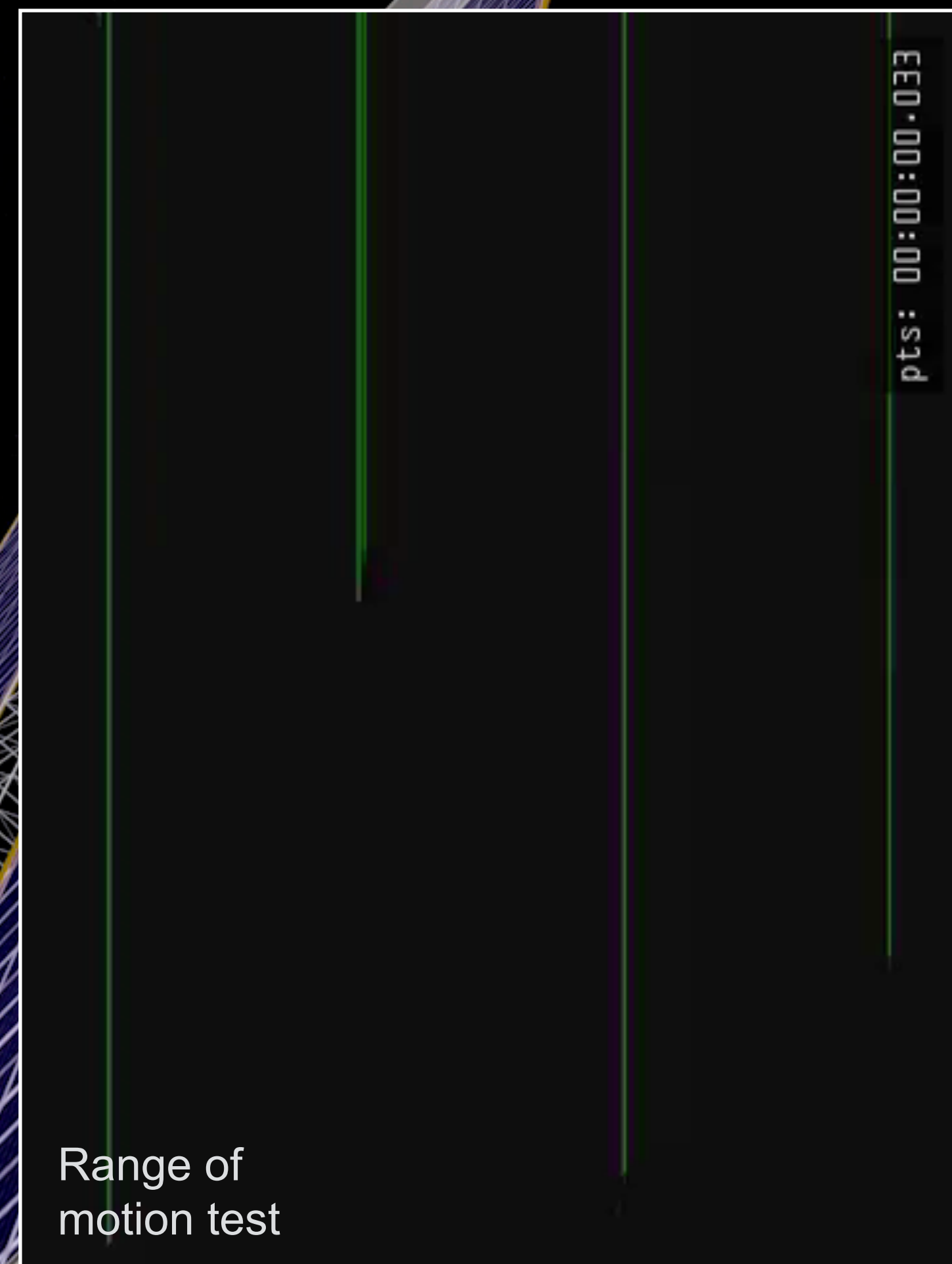
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- **NICER mission:** Soft X-ray (0.2-12 keV) timing spectroscopy for neutron star structure, dynamics, and energetics.
- **Platform:** ISS external attached payload with active pointing
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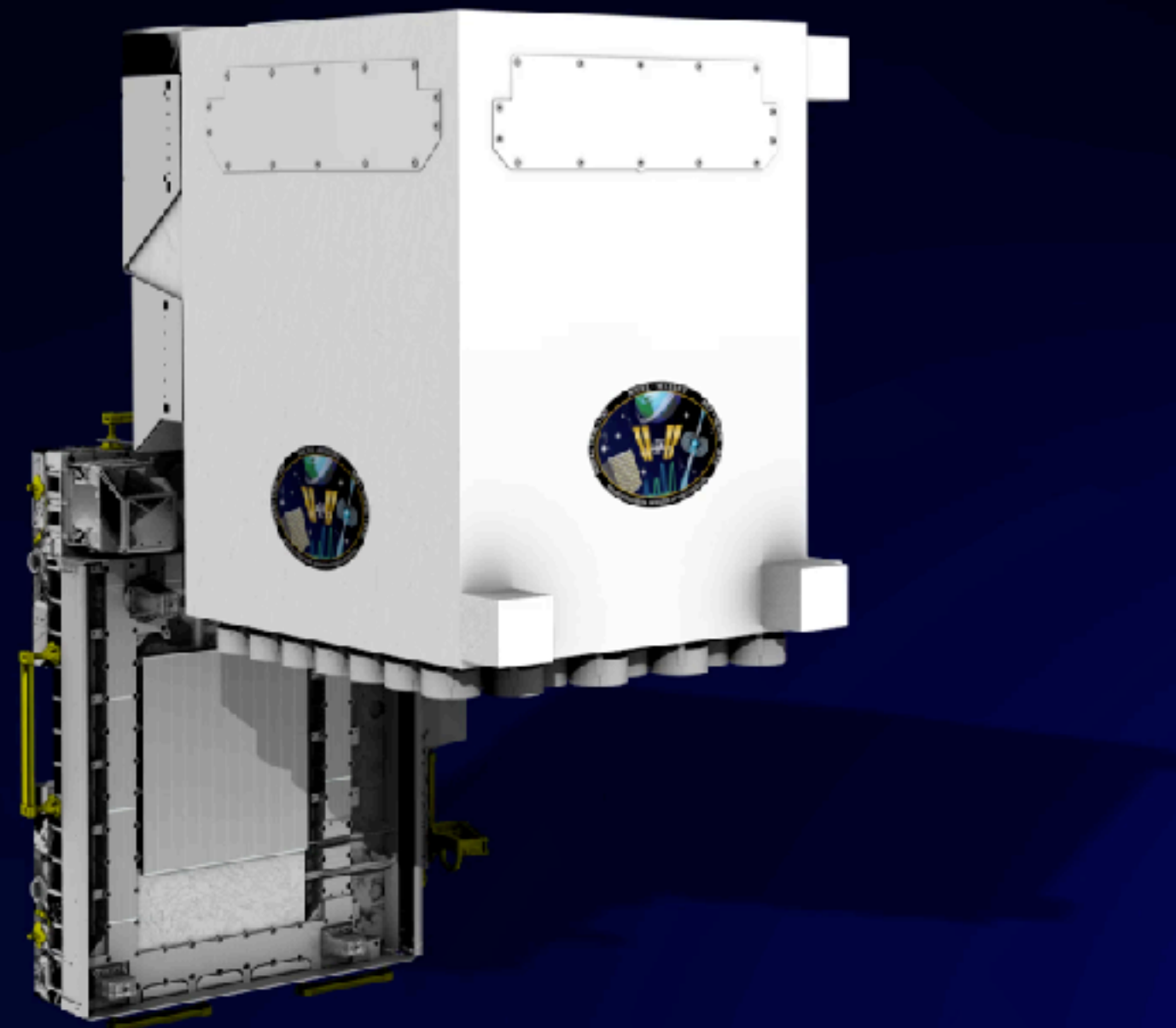


NICER

Neutron Star Interior Composition Explorer

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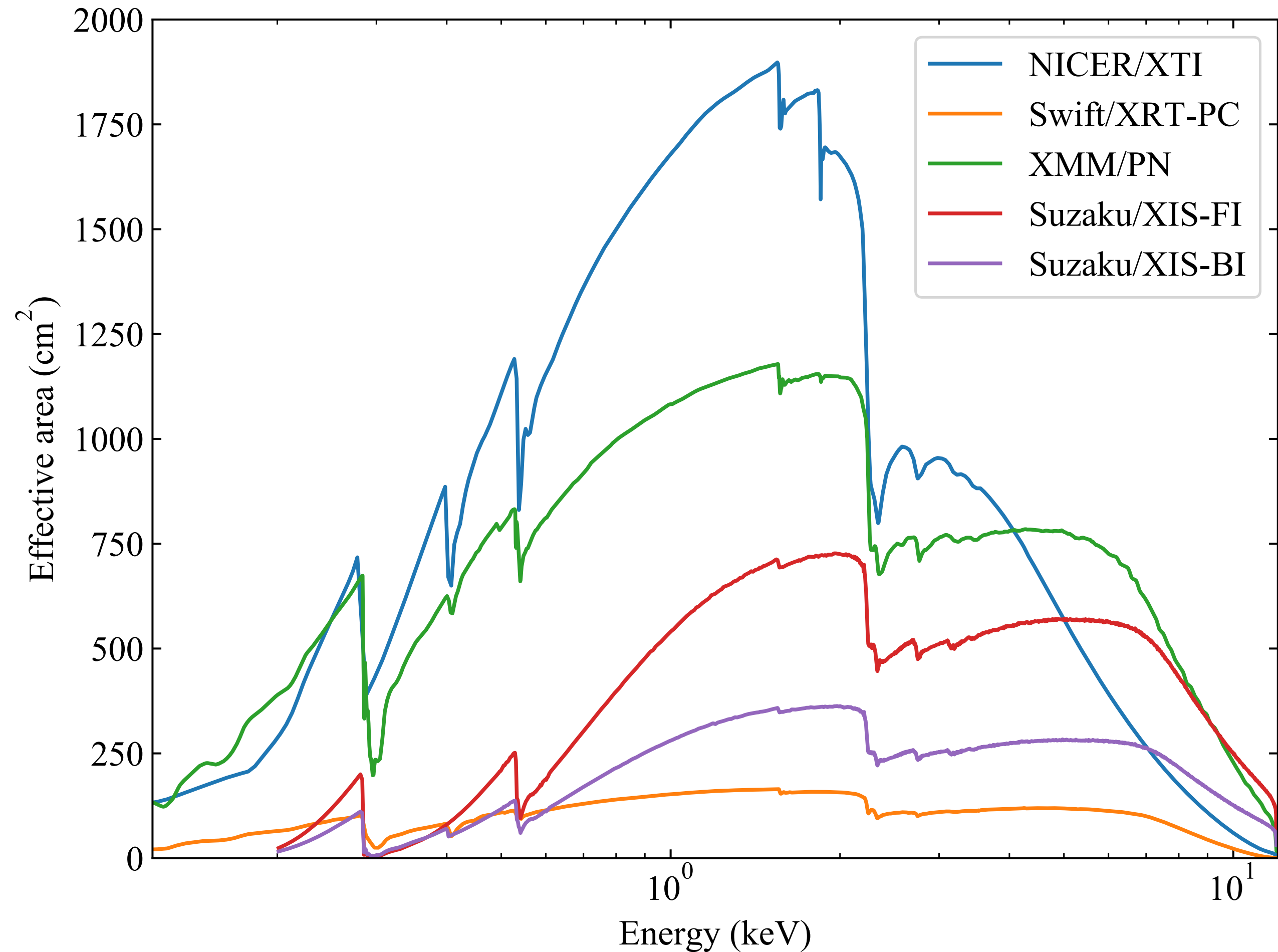
(PI: K. Gendreau, NASA/GSFC)



- Energy band : 0.2-12 keV (Resolution : 85 eV @ 1 keV, 140 eV @ 6 keV)
- Time resolution : <100 ns RMS (absolute)
- Non-imaging FOV 6 arcmin diameter
- Background : < 0.5 cps
- Sensitivity: 1×10^{-13} erg/s/cm² (5σ , 0.5-10 keV, 10 ksec exposure for Crab-like)
- Max rate: ~38,000 cps (3.5 Crab)

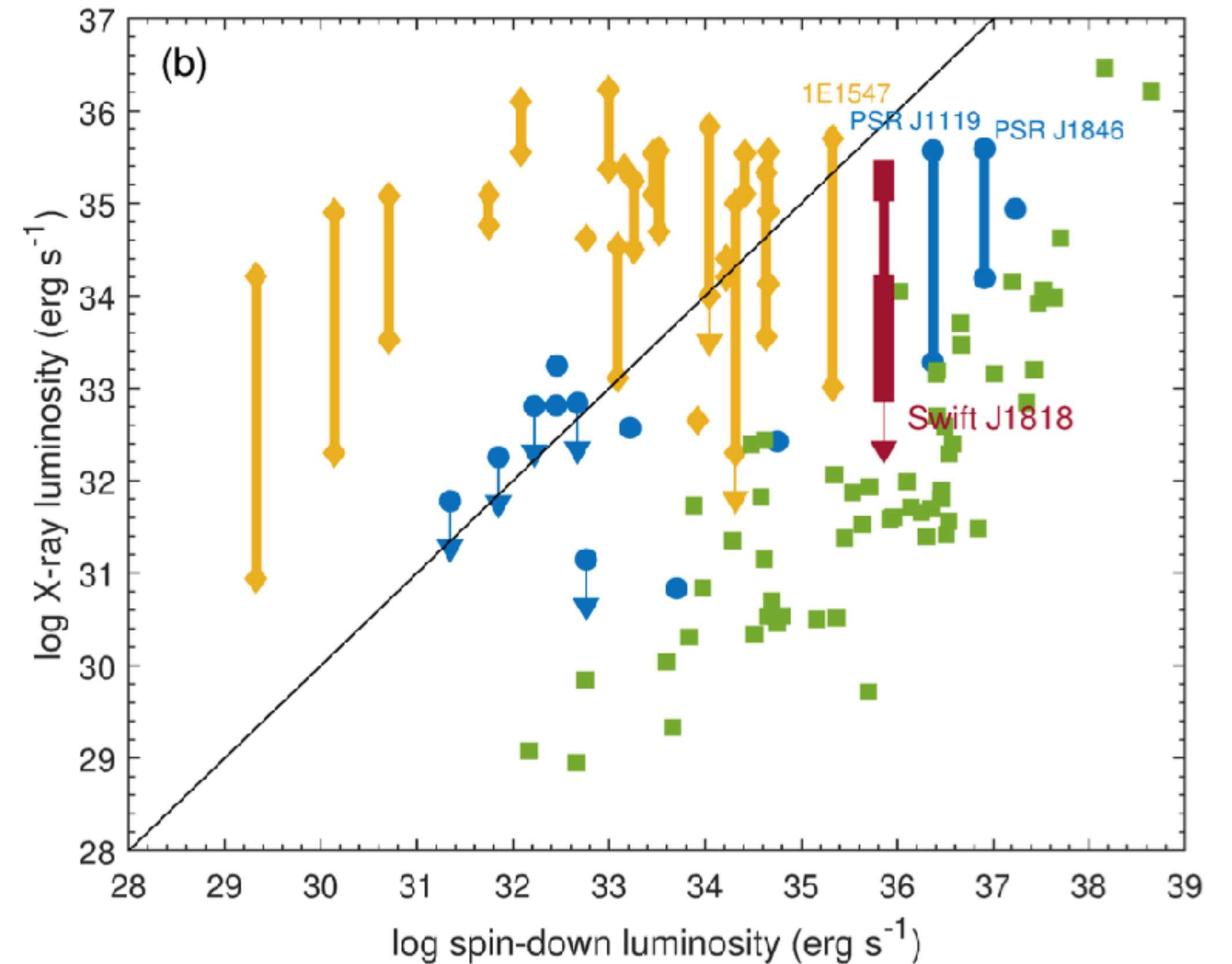
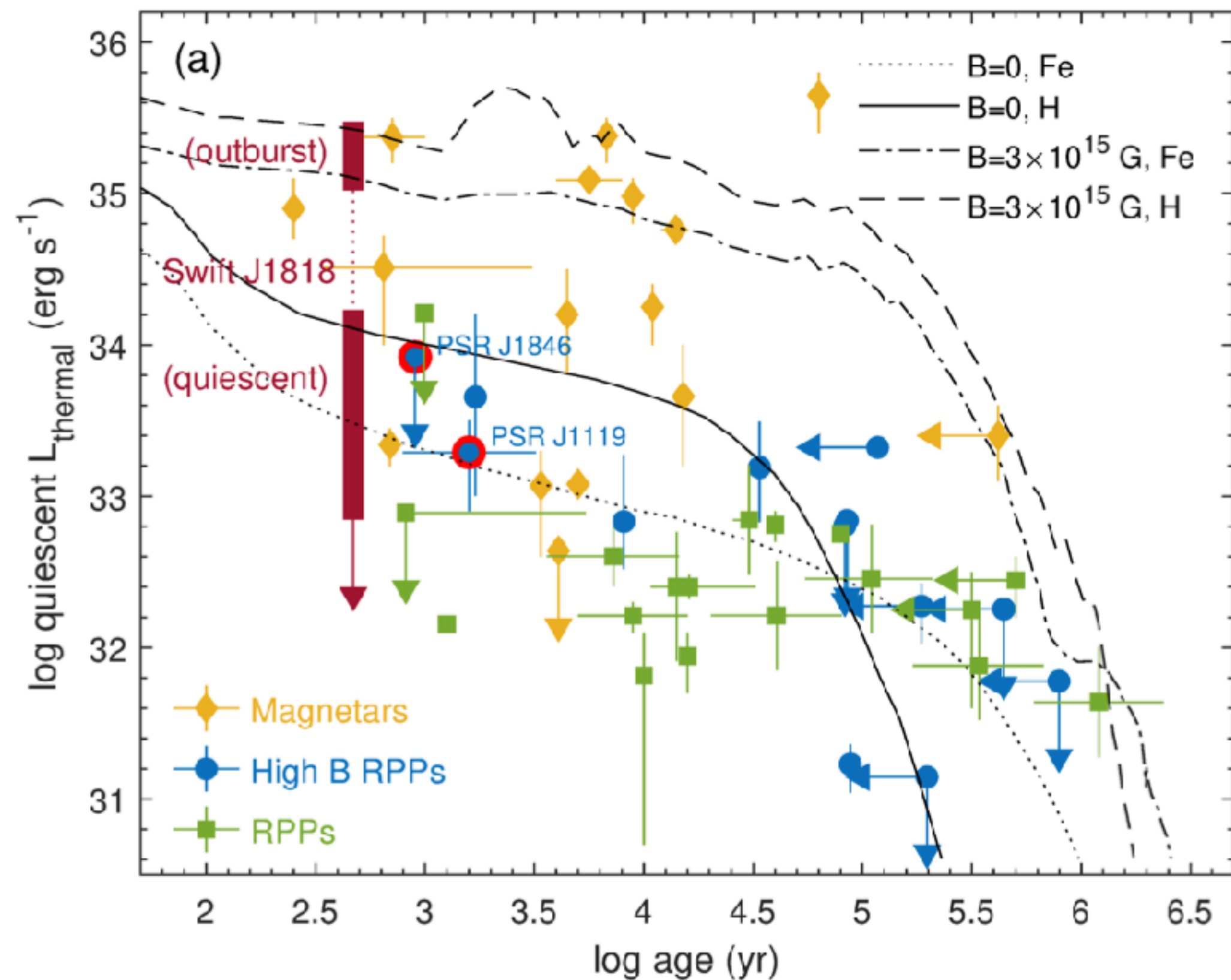
Large Effective Area of NICER

- 56 parallel X-ray Timing Instruments (XTIs)
- XTI = X-Ray Concentrator (XRC) + Silicon Drift Detector (SDD)
- Large effective area (x2 of XMM at 1.5 keV), Dedicated to NS surface emission.



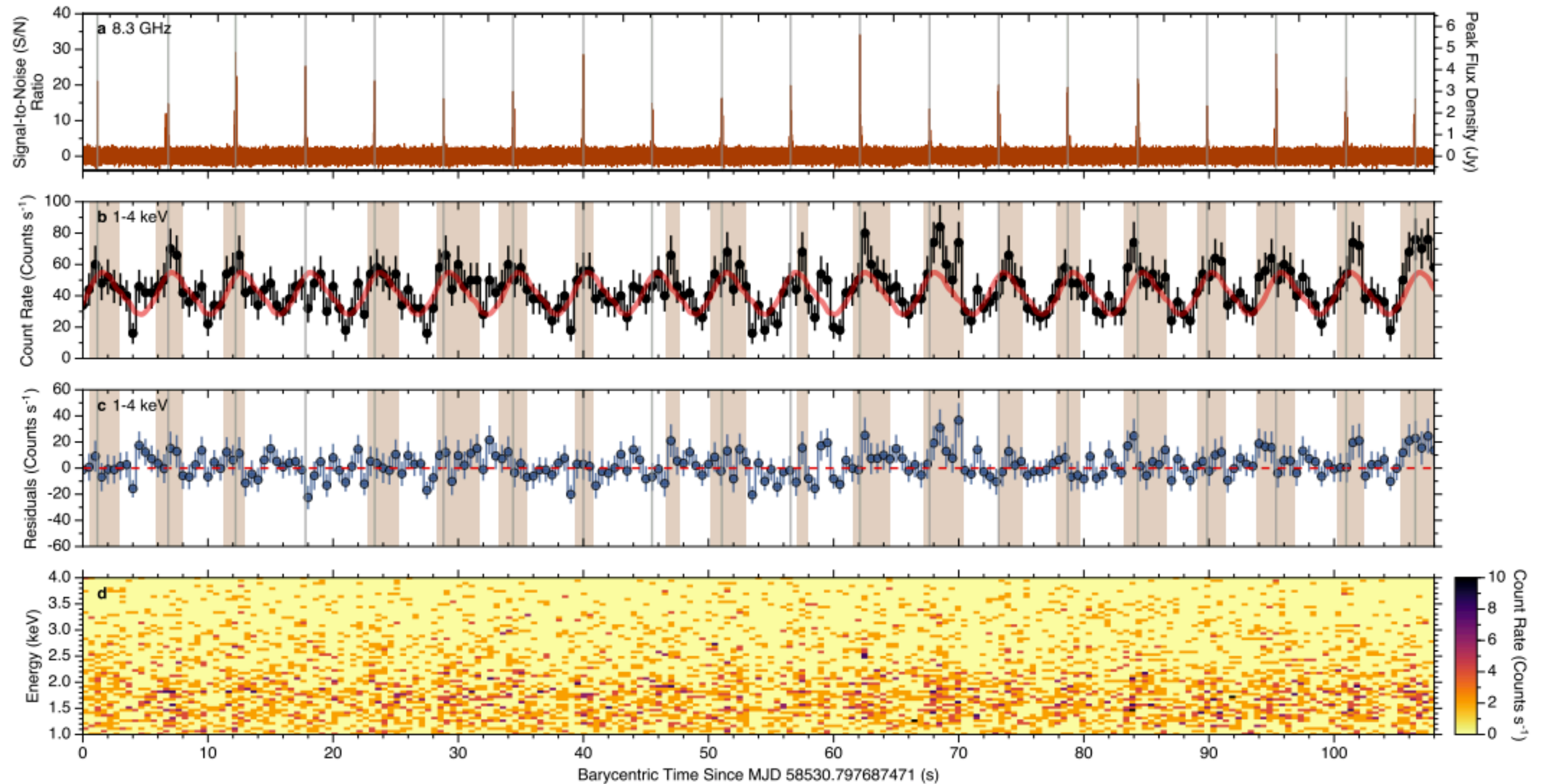
A new magnetar Swift J1818.0-1607

- Discovered by Swift and NICER on March 12, 2020. Radio and X-ray pulsation at 1.36 sec



- Very young characteristic age ~ 470 yr. A missing link between magnetars and high-B pulsars.

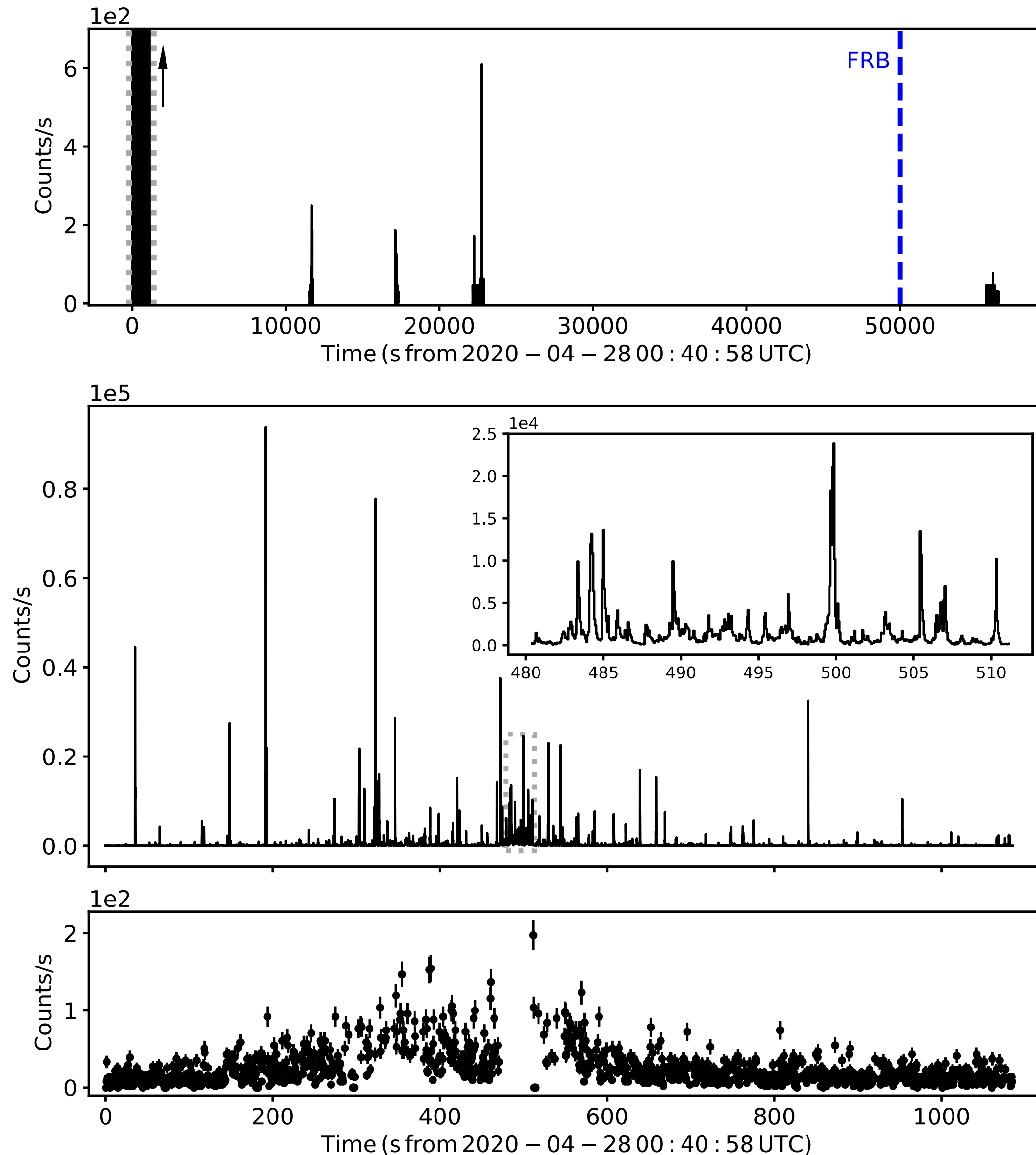
Detection of single X-ray pulses from XTE J1810-197



NICER results of the Galactic FRB magnetar SGR 1935+2154



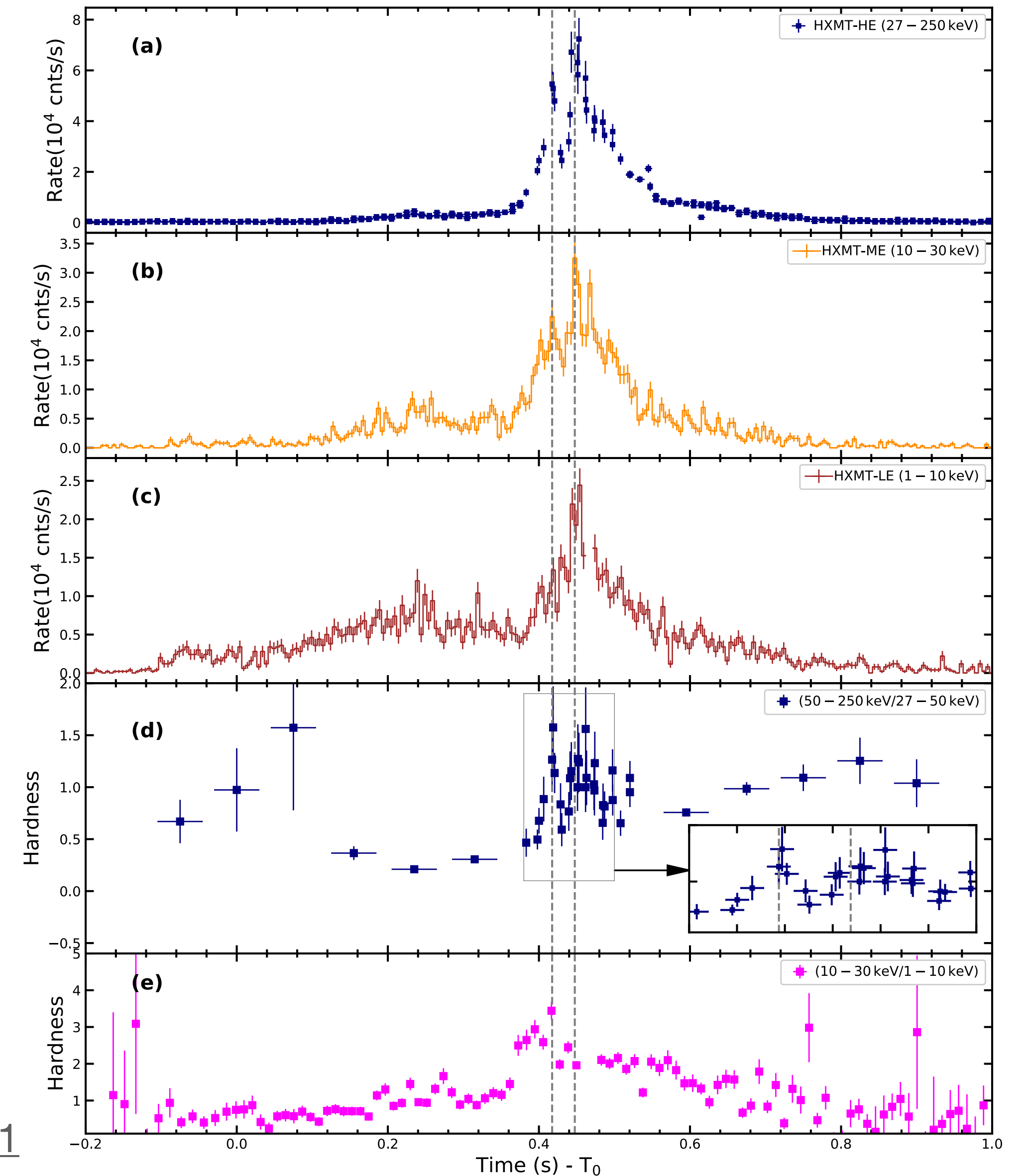
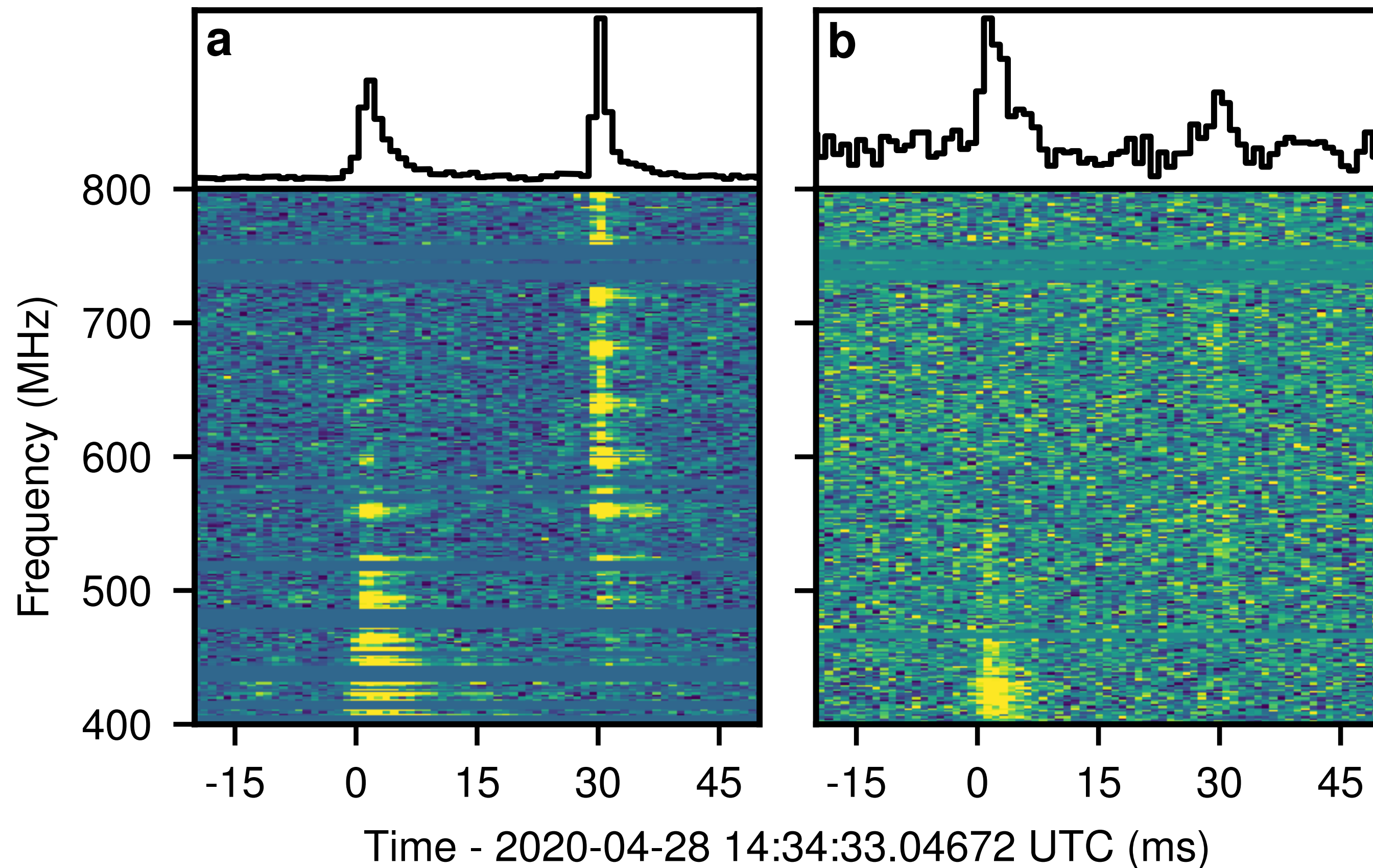
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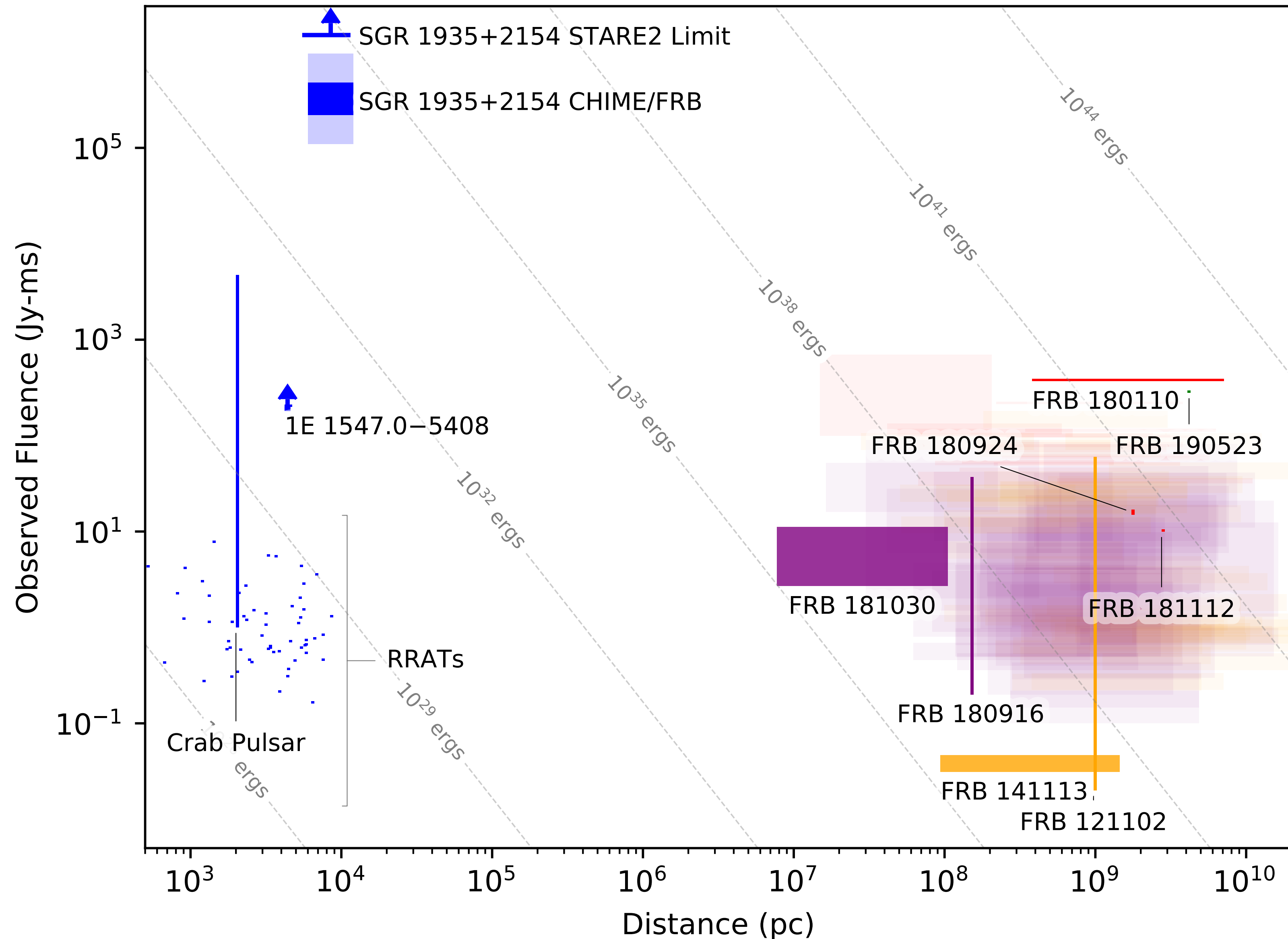
- Galactic magnetar SGR 1935+2154
 - discovered in 2014 (~9 kpc?)
 - $P=3.24$ s, $\dot{P}=1.43e-11$ s/s
 - $B \sim 2.2e+14$ G
- A burst was detected with Swift Burst Alert Telescope on April 27, 2020.
- X-ray follow-up monitoring by several X-ray observatories, including NICER.
- X-ray burst forest was found from the Galactic magnetar SGR 1935+2154 on 2020 April 28.
- A FRB was found during this activated state!

A FRB was found from a Galactic magnetar!!

- Two-peak FRB coincided with a magnetar X-ray burst (Insight-HMXT, INTEGRAL, AGILE, and Konus-Wind)



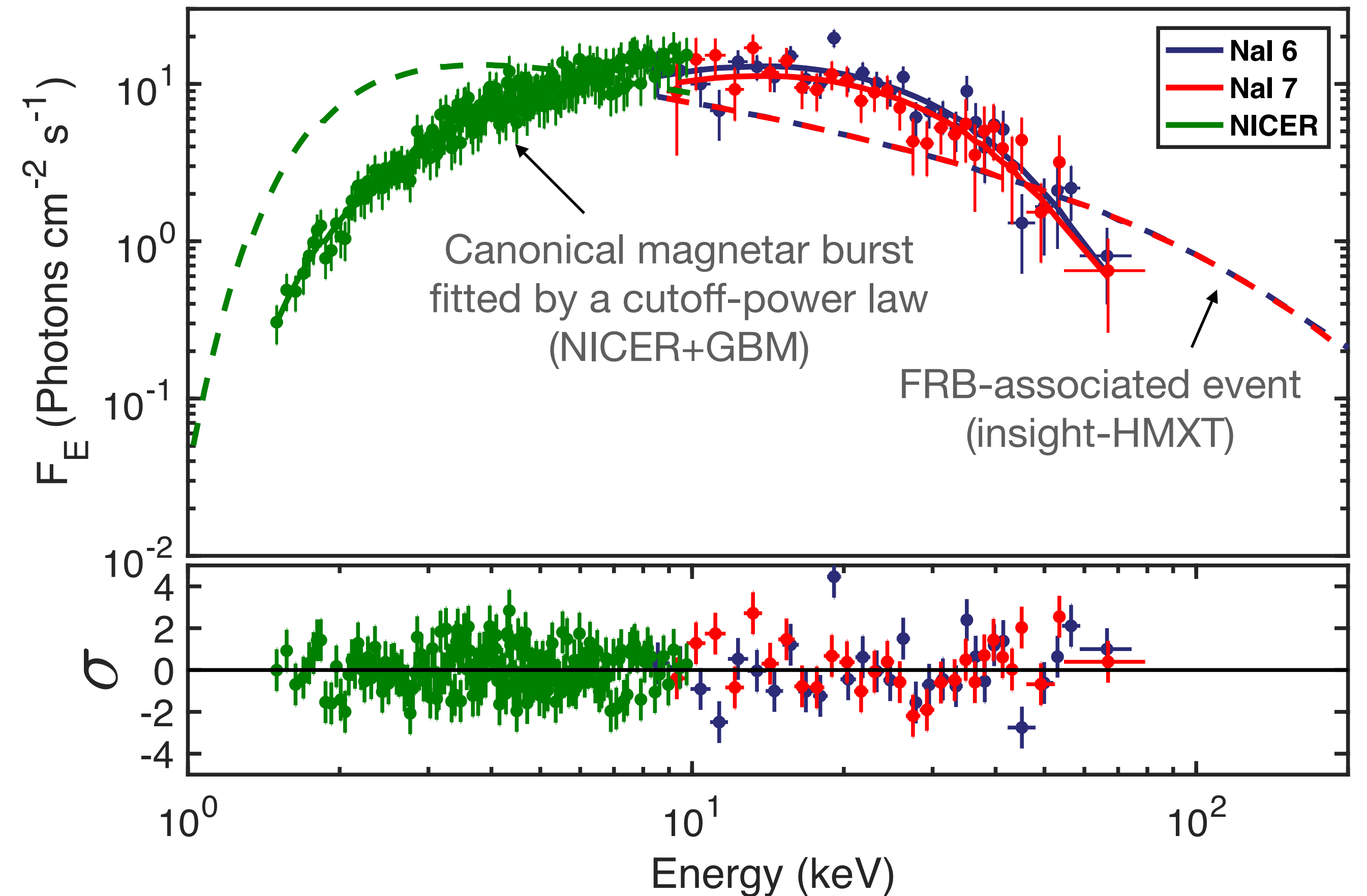
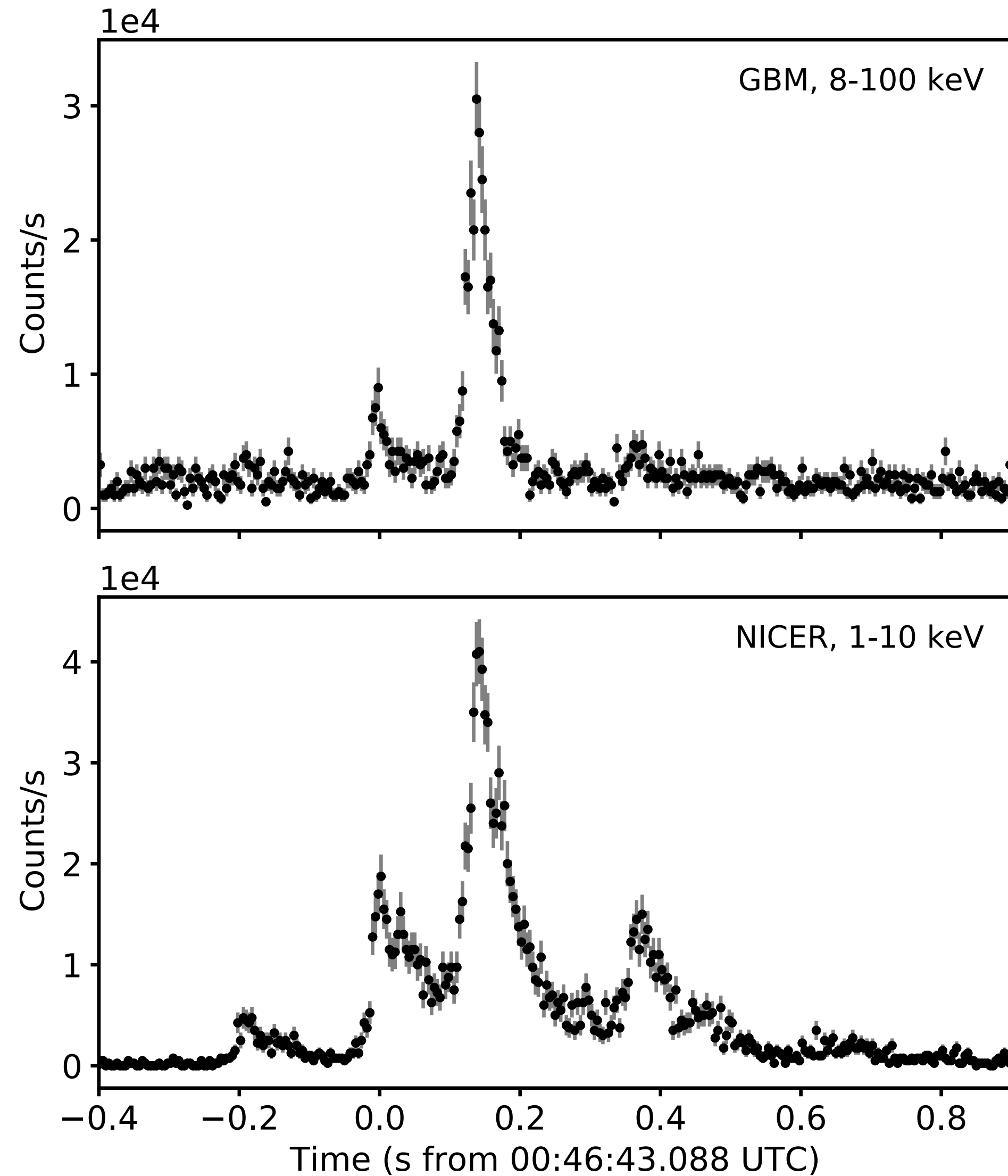
Galactic FRB vs. Cosmological FRBs



- Compared with extra-Galactic FRBs, this Galactic FRB is
 - Higher fluence
 - Lower luminosity
- Implication: FRB coherent (?) radio emission and incoherent X-ray burst are related with each other.

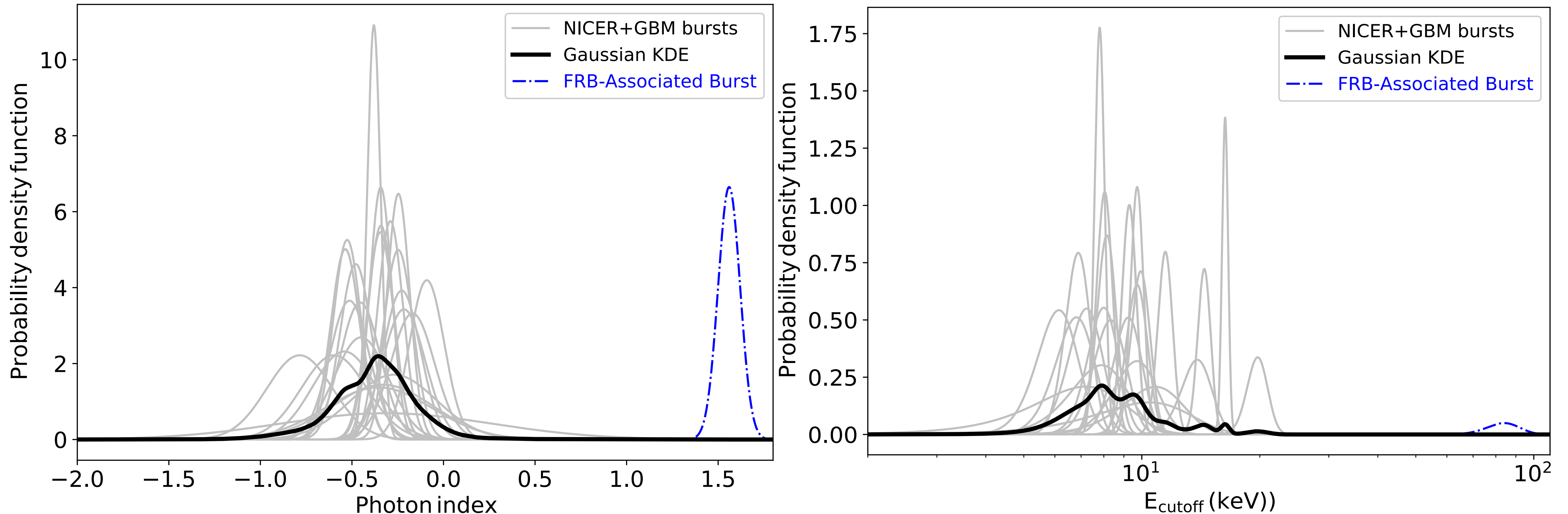
The CHIME/FRB Collaboration, arXiv:2005.10324

FRB-associated burst vs. Other magnetar bursts



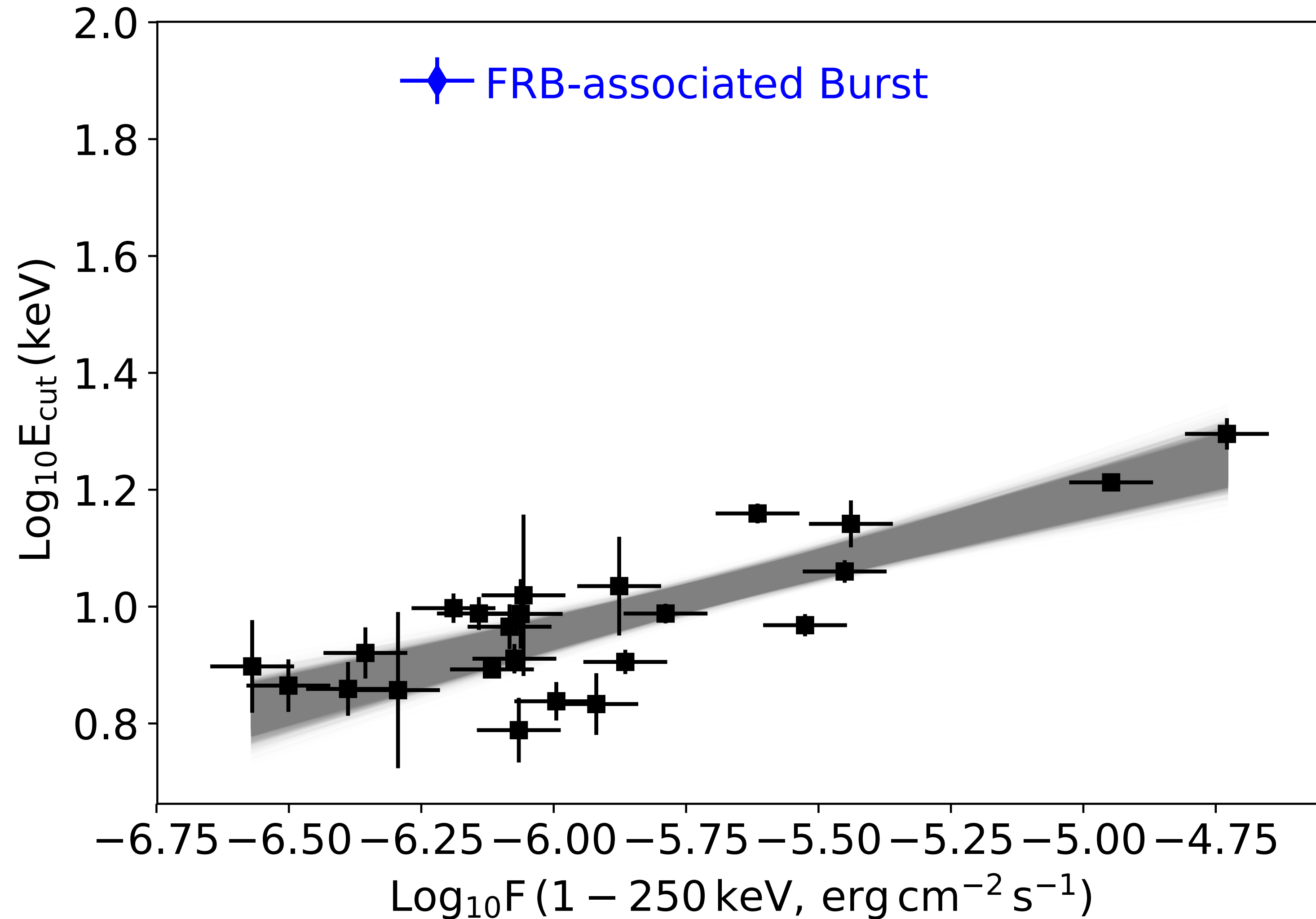
- Example of a magnetar short burst from SGR 1935+2154 observed with NICER+GBM compared with the FRB-associated event.

X-ray burst spectrum: FRB-associated vs. others



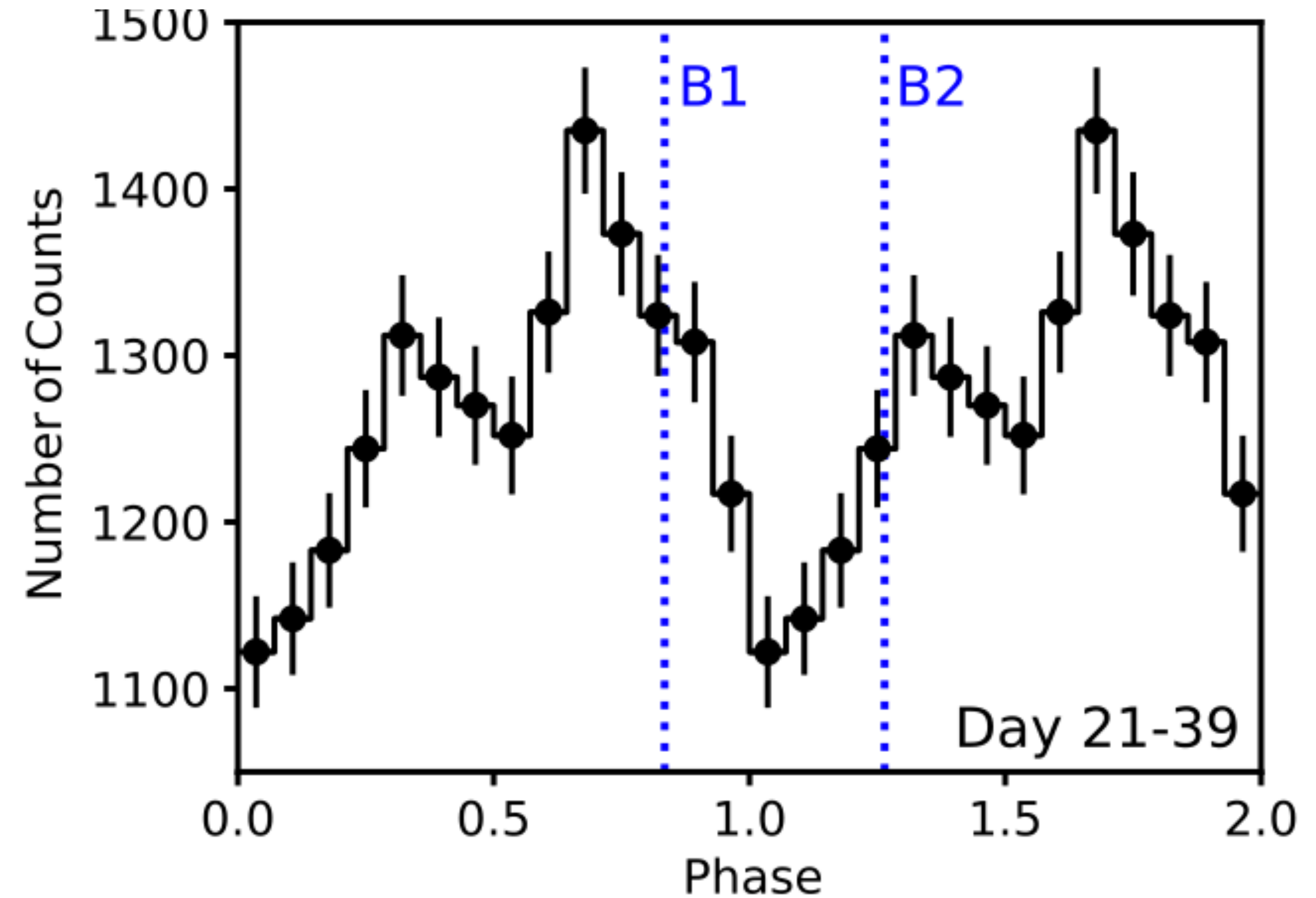
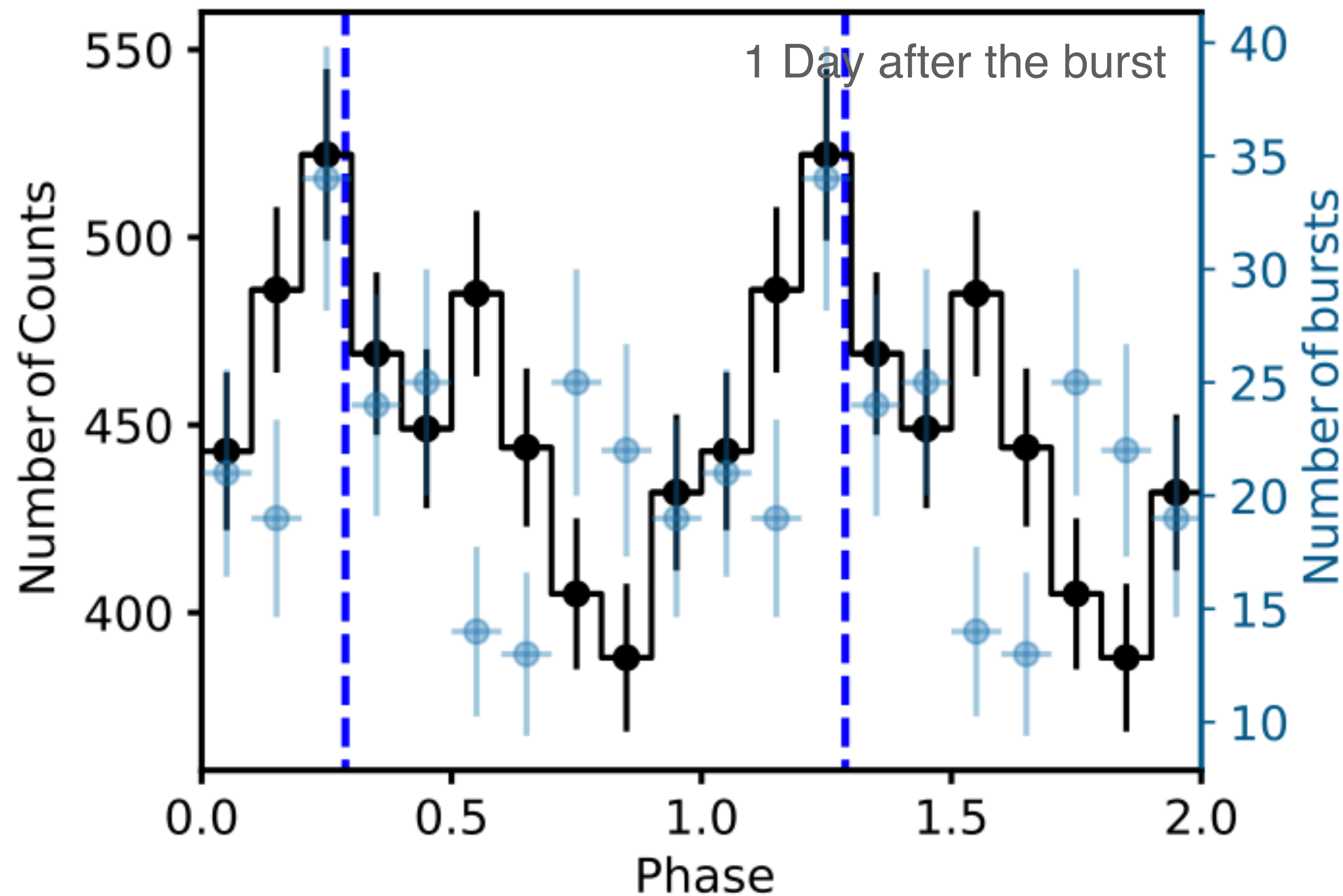
- Probability distribution function of X-ray spectral parameters of 24 short bursts from SGR 1935+2154: Cutoff power-law index (left) and cutoff energy (right).
- The FRB-associated burst is different from the other X-ray bursts?

X-ray burst spectrum: FRB-associated vs. others



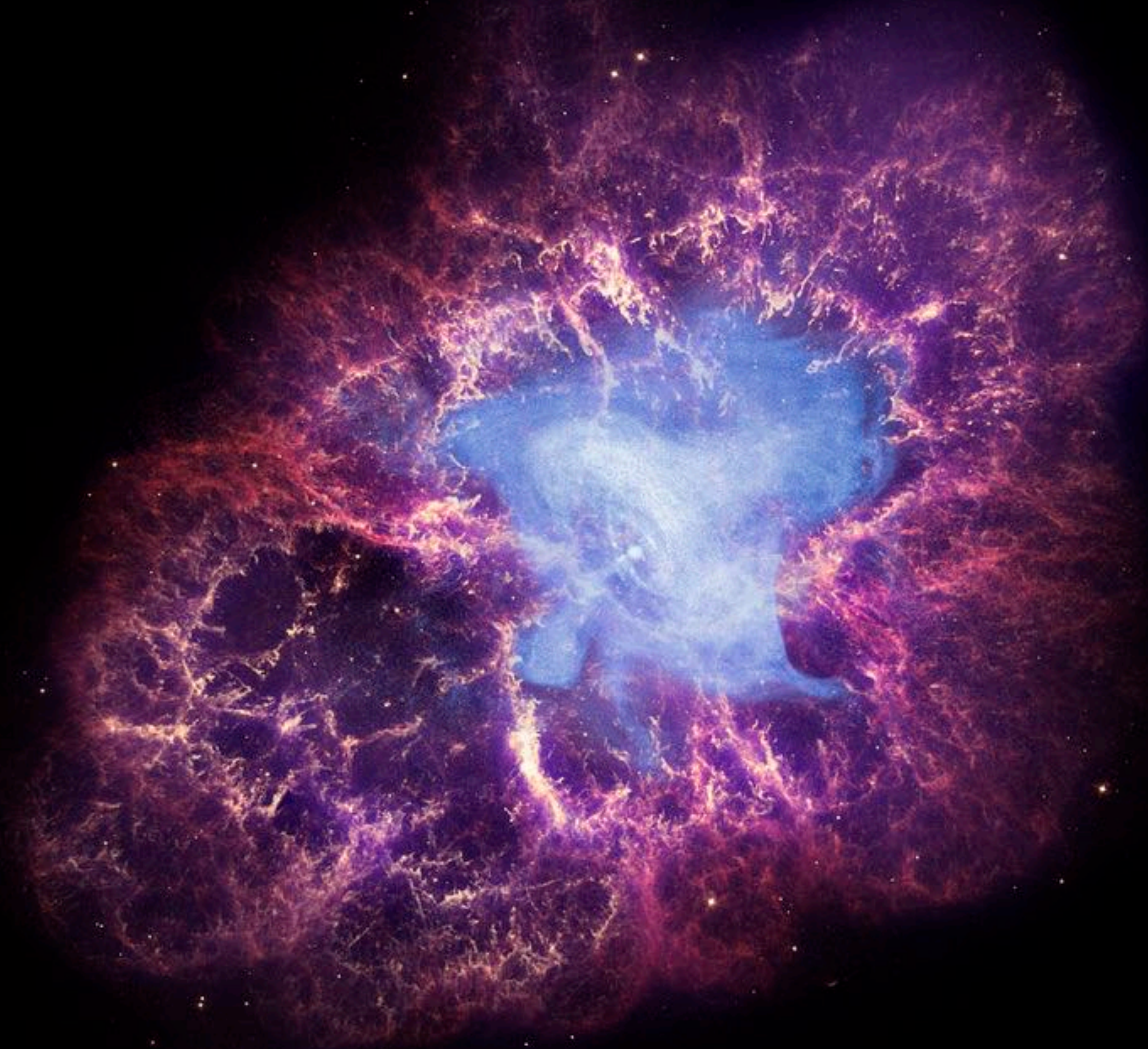
- Cutoff energy vs. X-ray flux in 1-250 keV.
- Brighter magnetar short burst shows higher cutoff energy.
- X-ray flux of the FRB-associated burst is in the distribution of the other (canonical) magnetar bursts.
- However, the cutoff energy of the FRB-associated one is higher than the others.

At which pulse phase the FRB event happened?

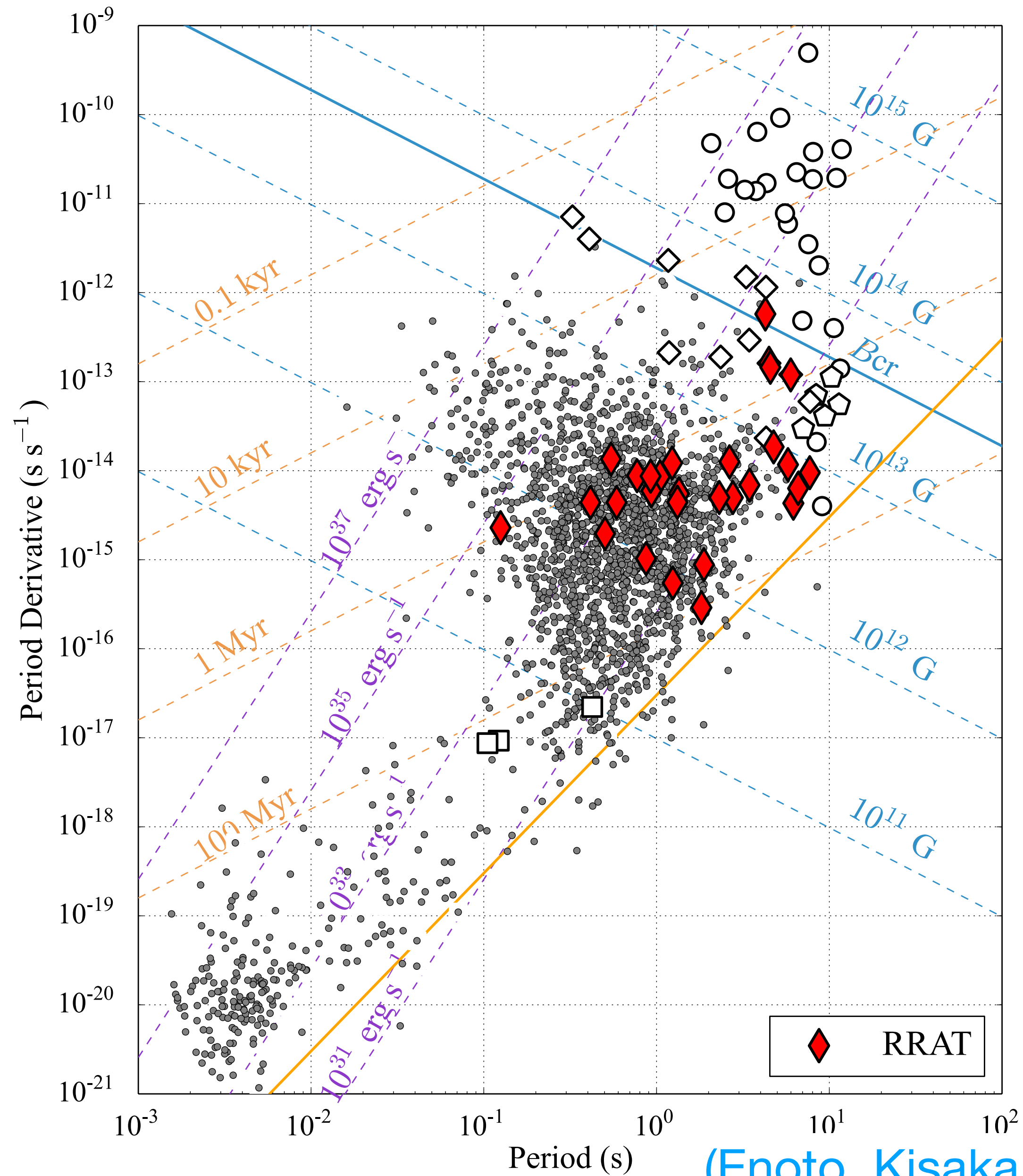


- Pulse profile of SGR 1935+2154 at 1 day and 21-39 days after the burst
- Folded burst peak time (light blue) does not show a clear pulse profile.
- The pulse phase of the FRB event happened at the peak of the pulse profile.

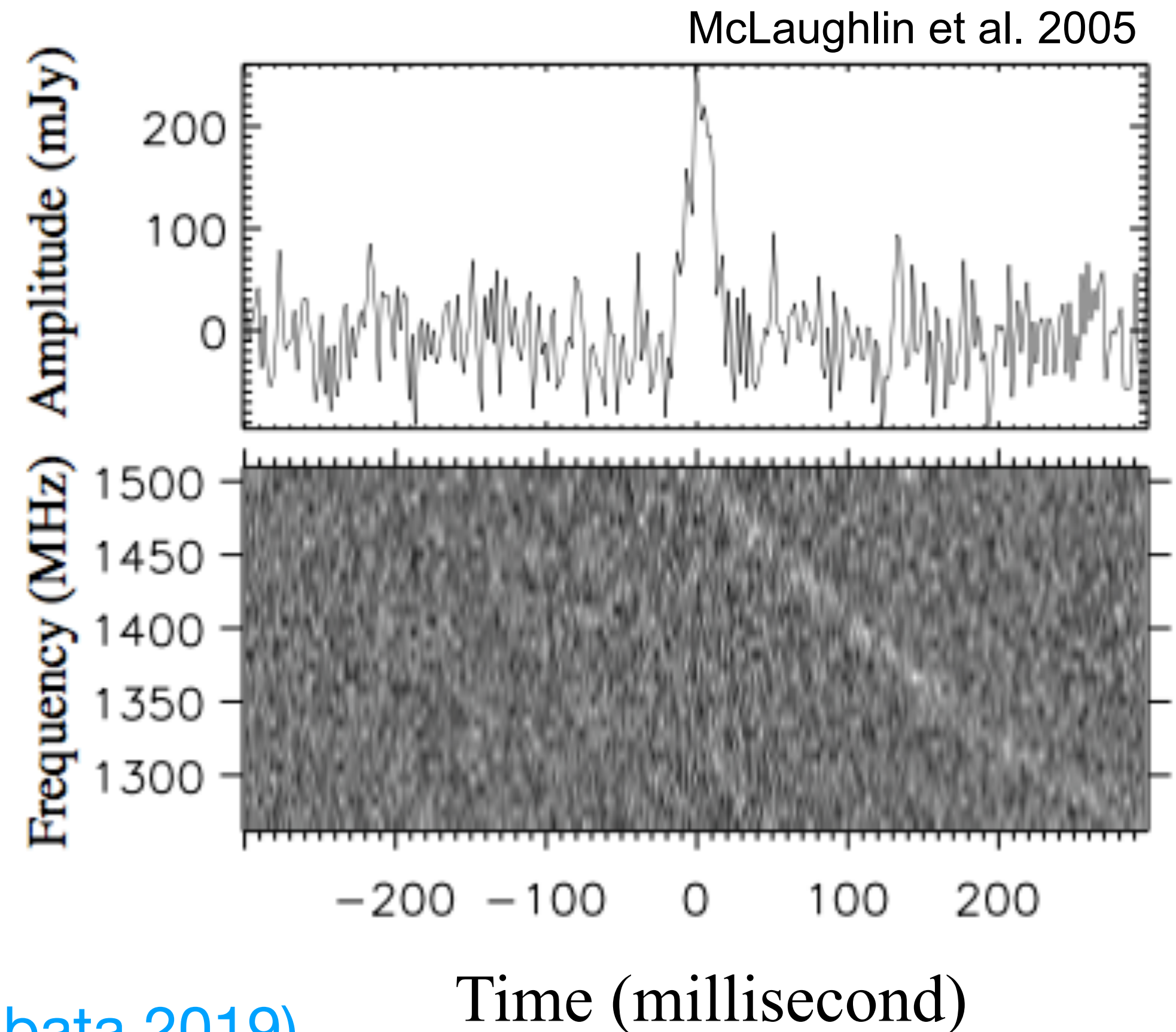
X-ray enhancement associated with the Crab GRPs



Rotating RAdio Transients = RRATs

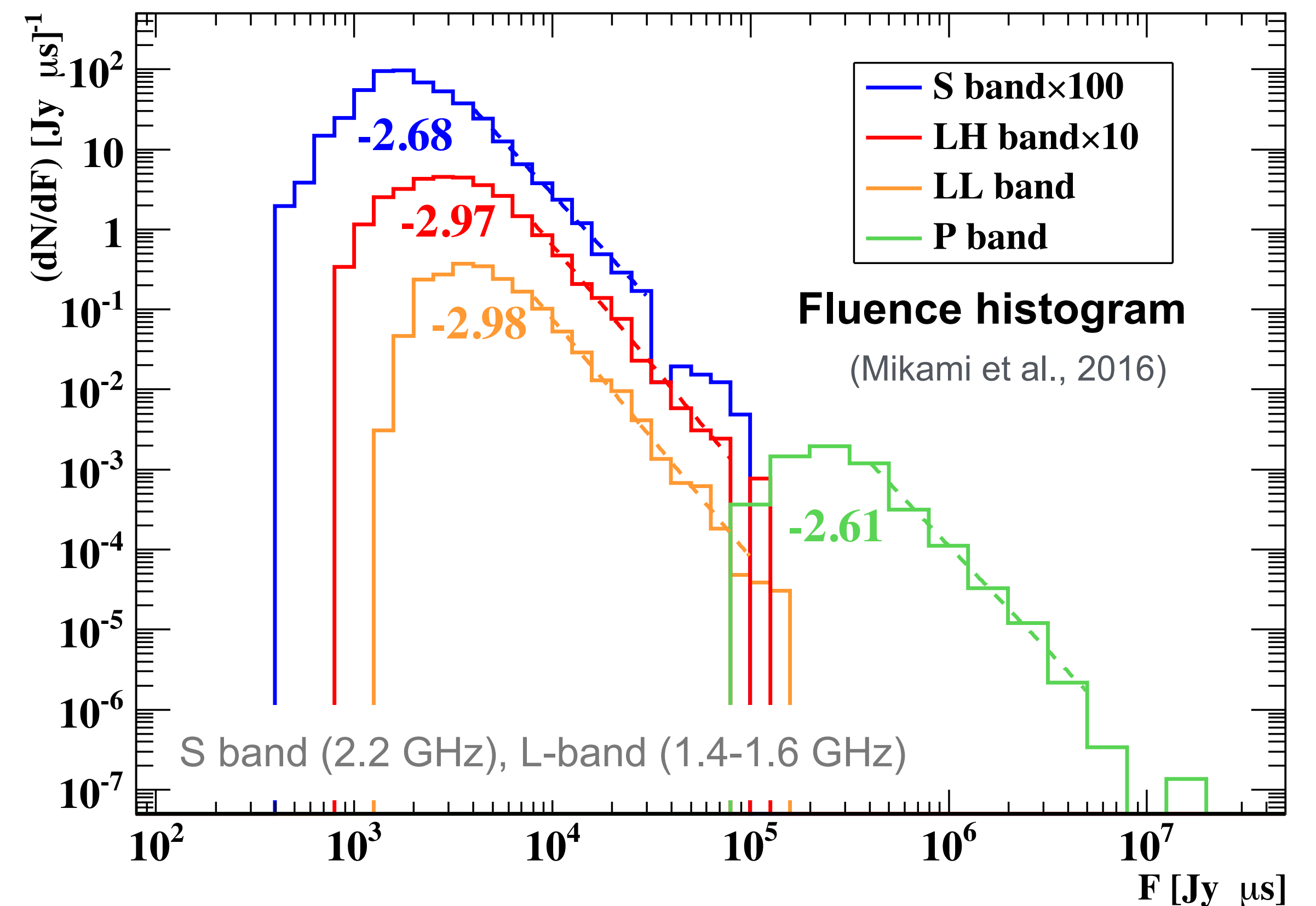
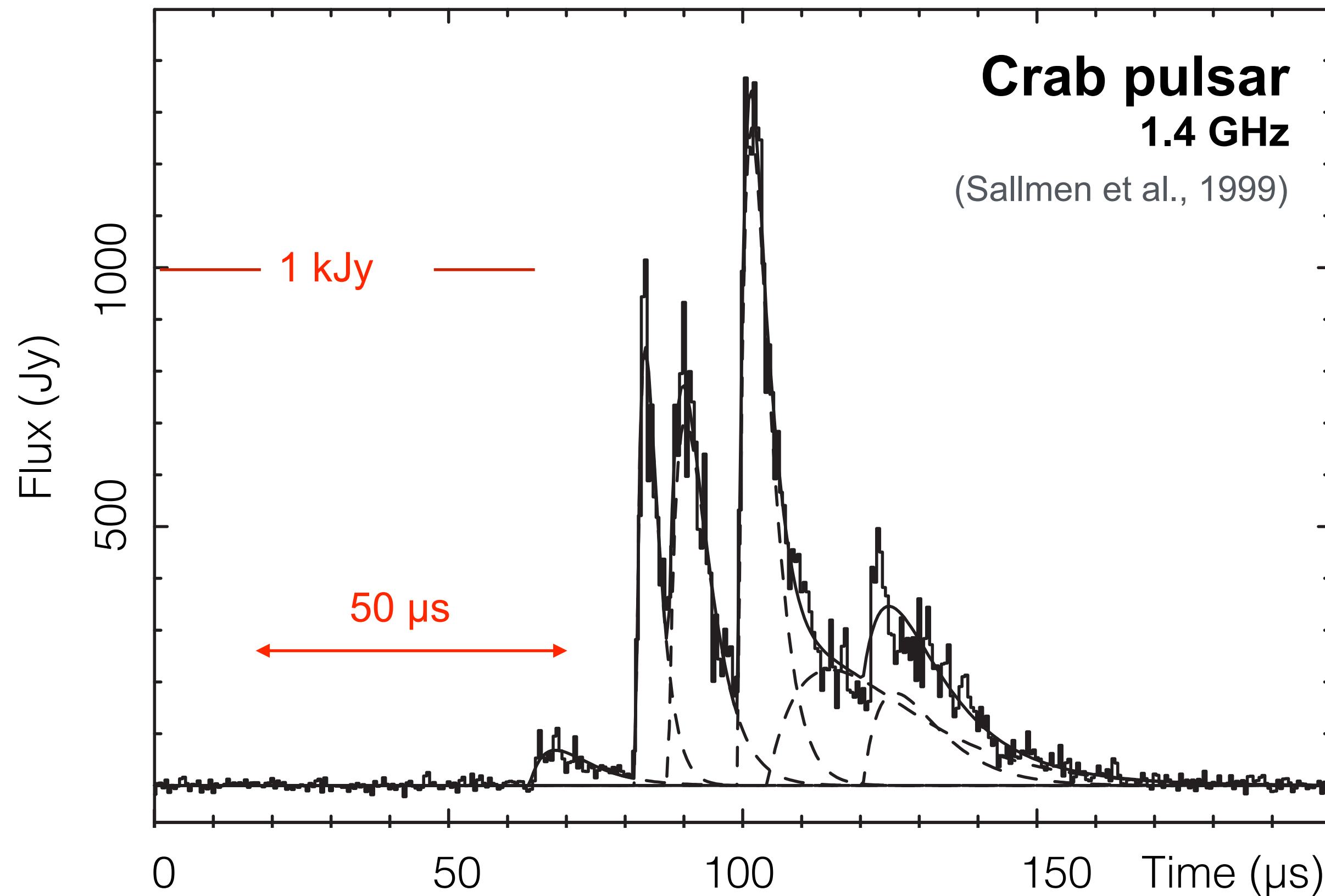


- Rotating pulsars sometimes exhibit single radio pulses
- More than 100 RRATs have detected (P and Pdot measurements only for ~25% of them).

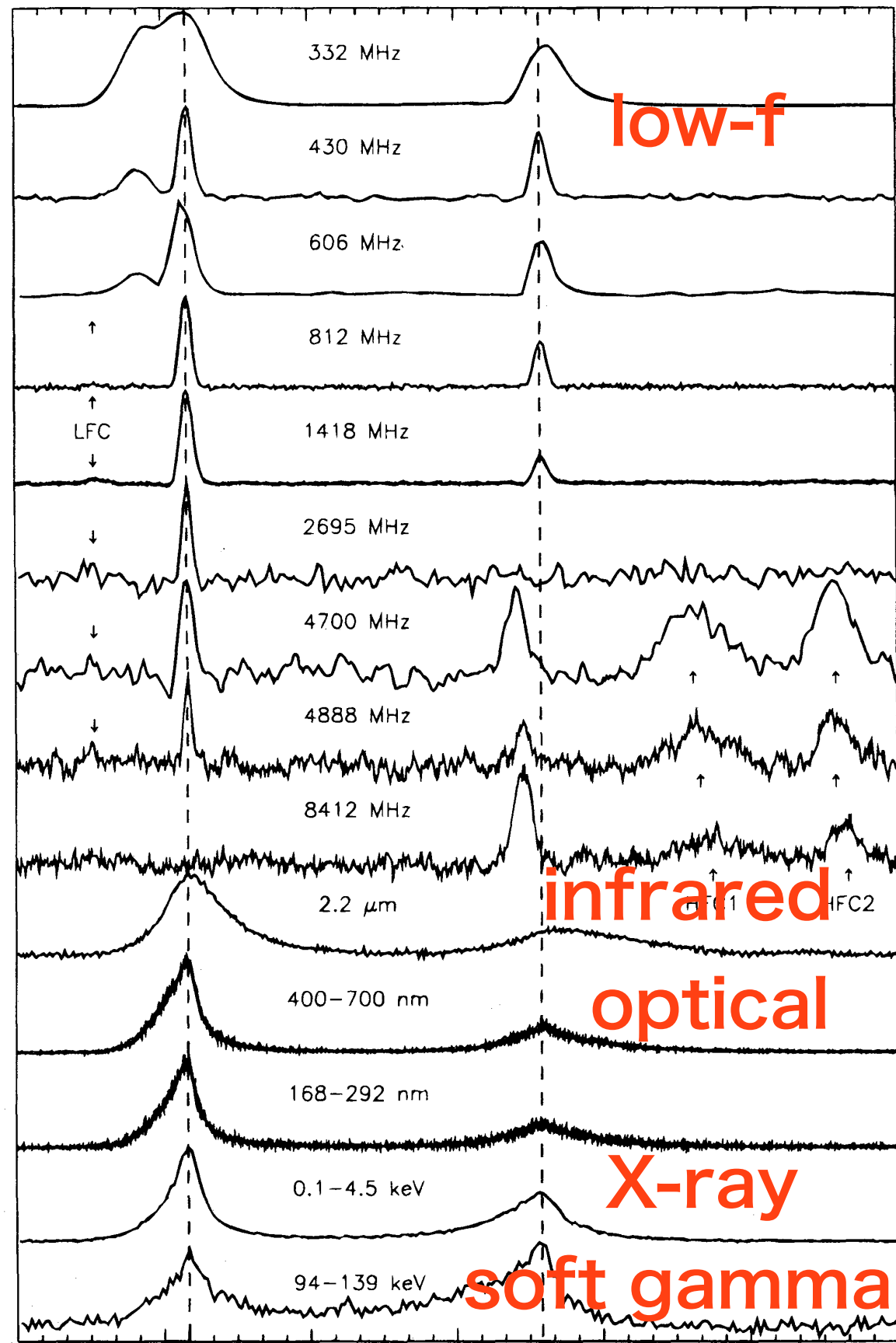


Giant radio pulses (GRPs)

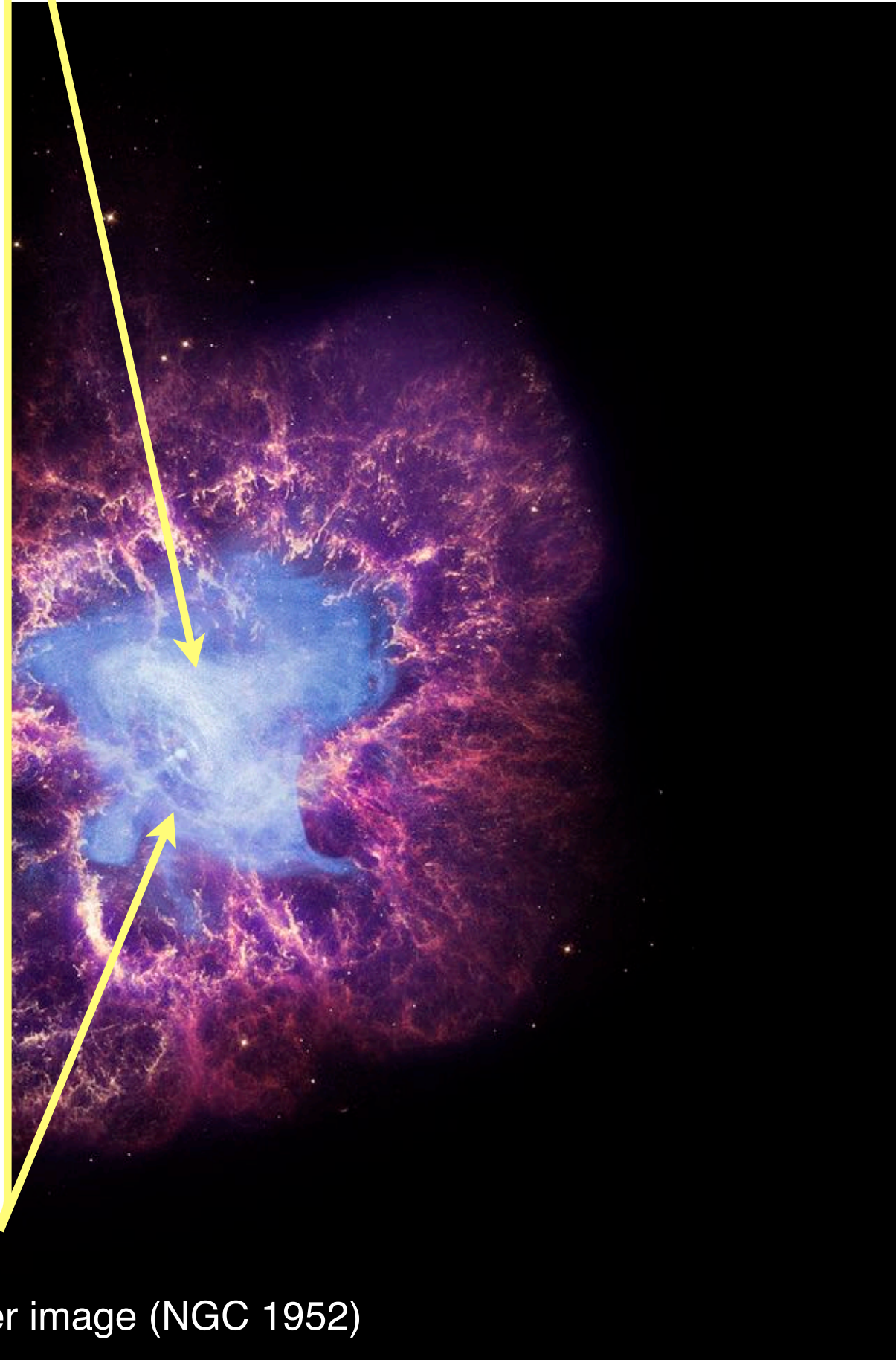
- Sporadic sub-millisecond bursts 10^{2-3} times brighter than the normal radio pulses.
- Only from known ~ 12 sources, power-law fluence distribution,



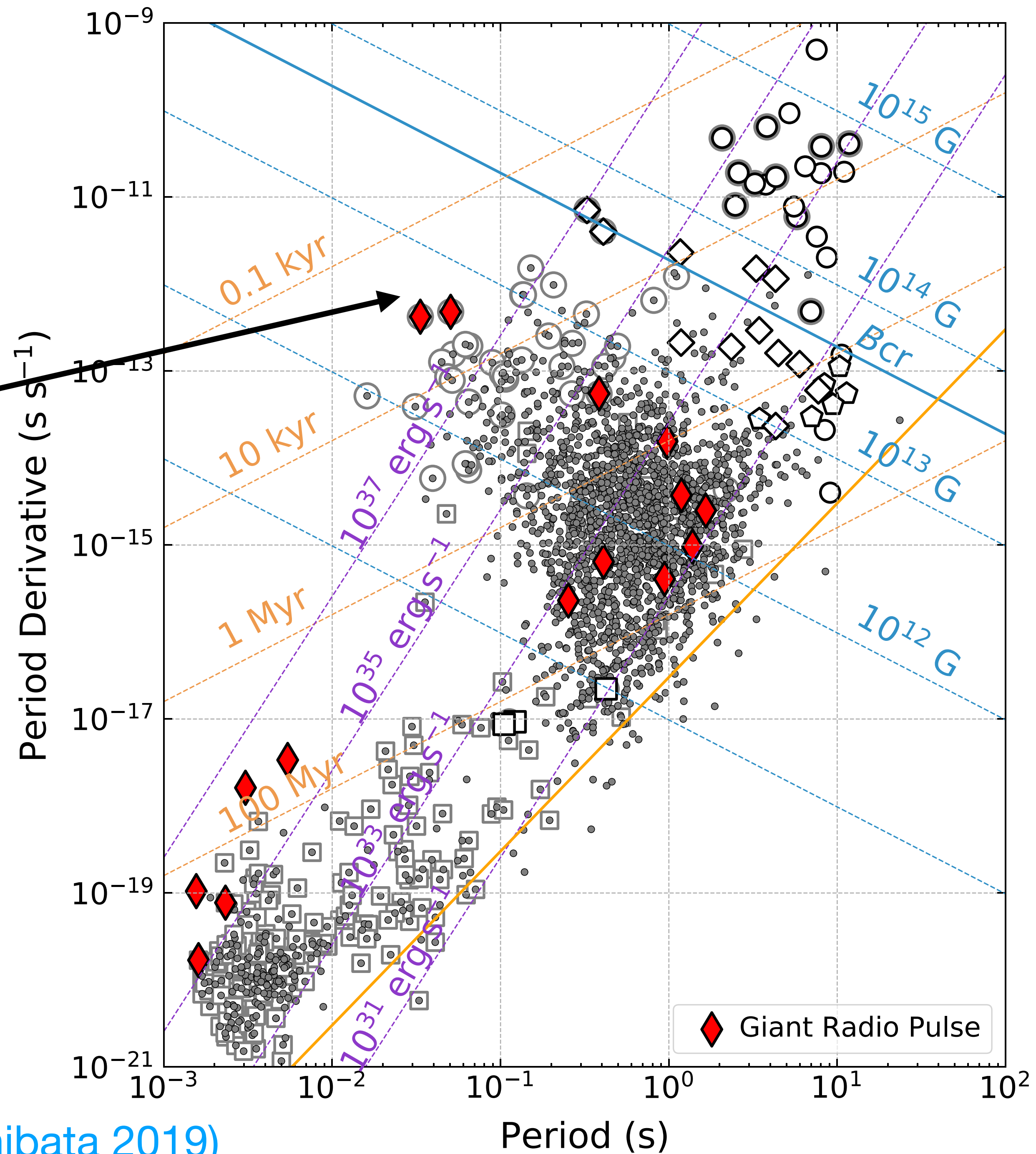
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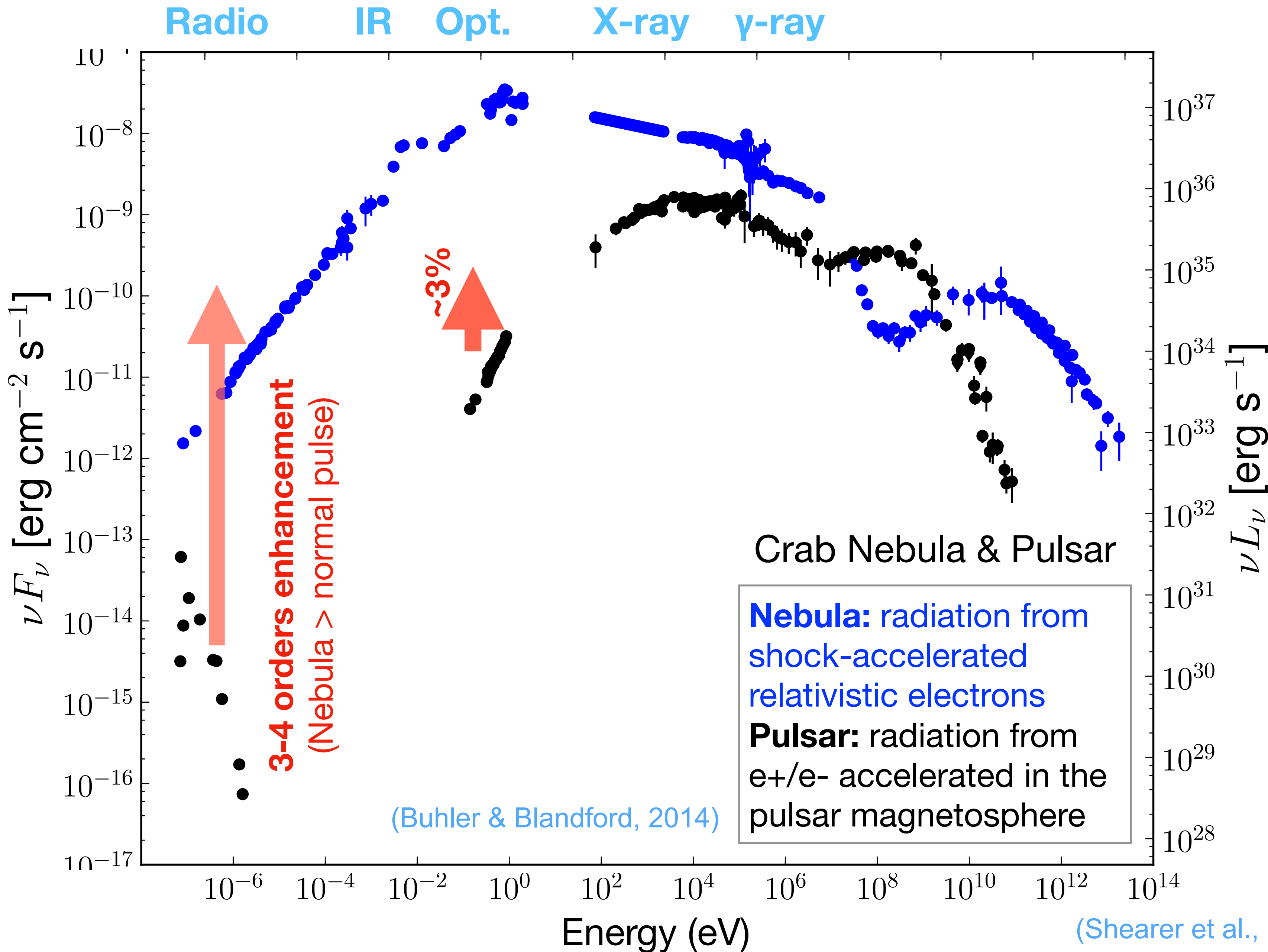
David A. Moffett et al., ApJ 468, 779-783 (1996)



Chandra, Hubble, and Spitzer image (NGC 1952)

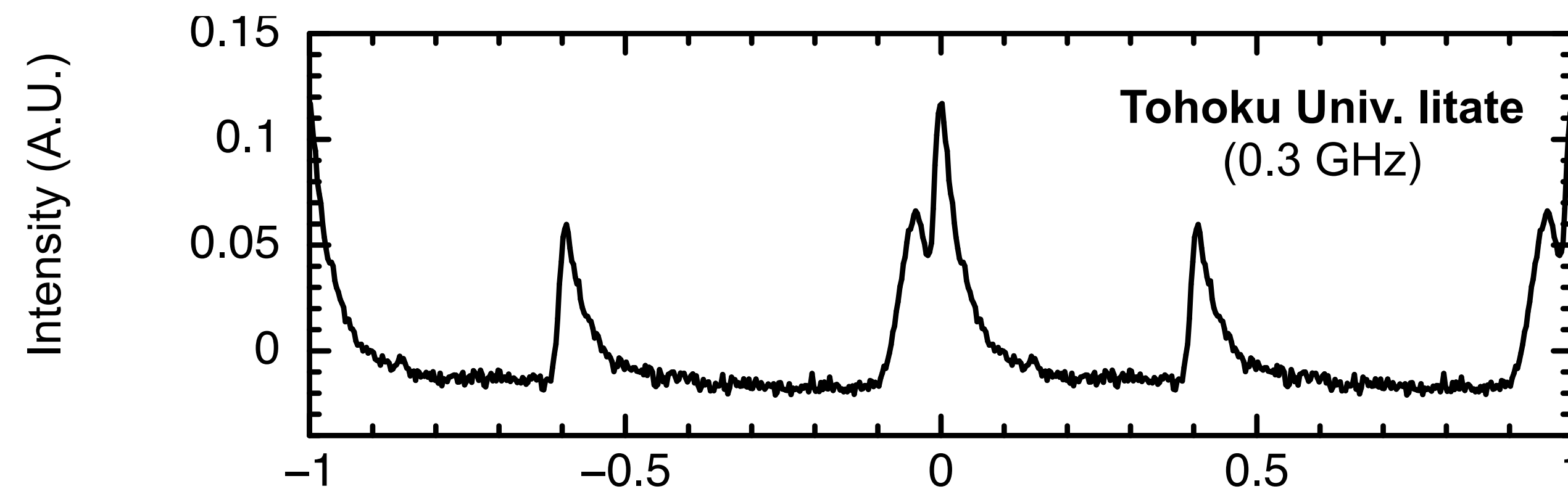
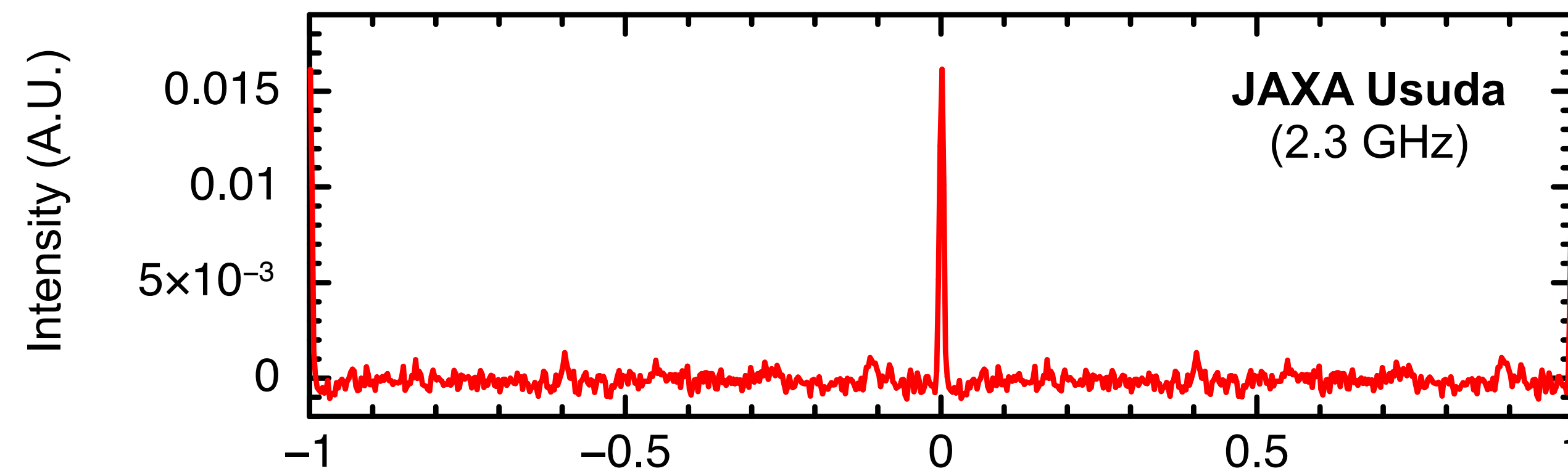
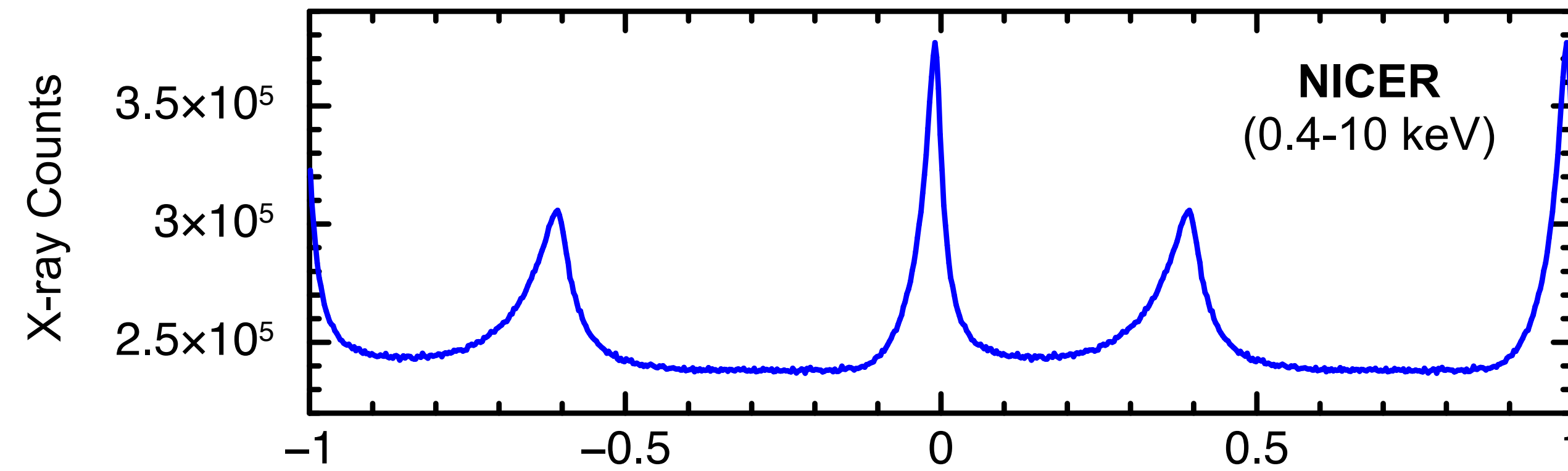


Optical enhancement coincided with GRPs



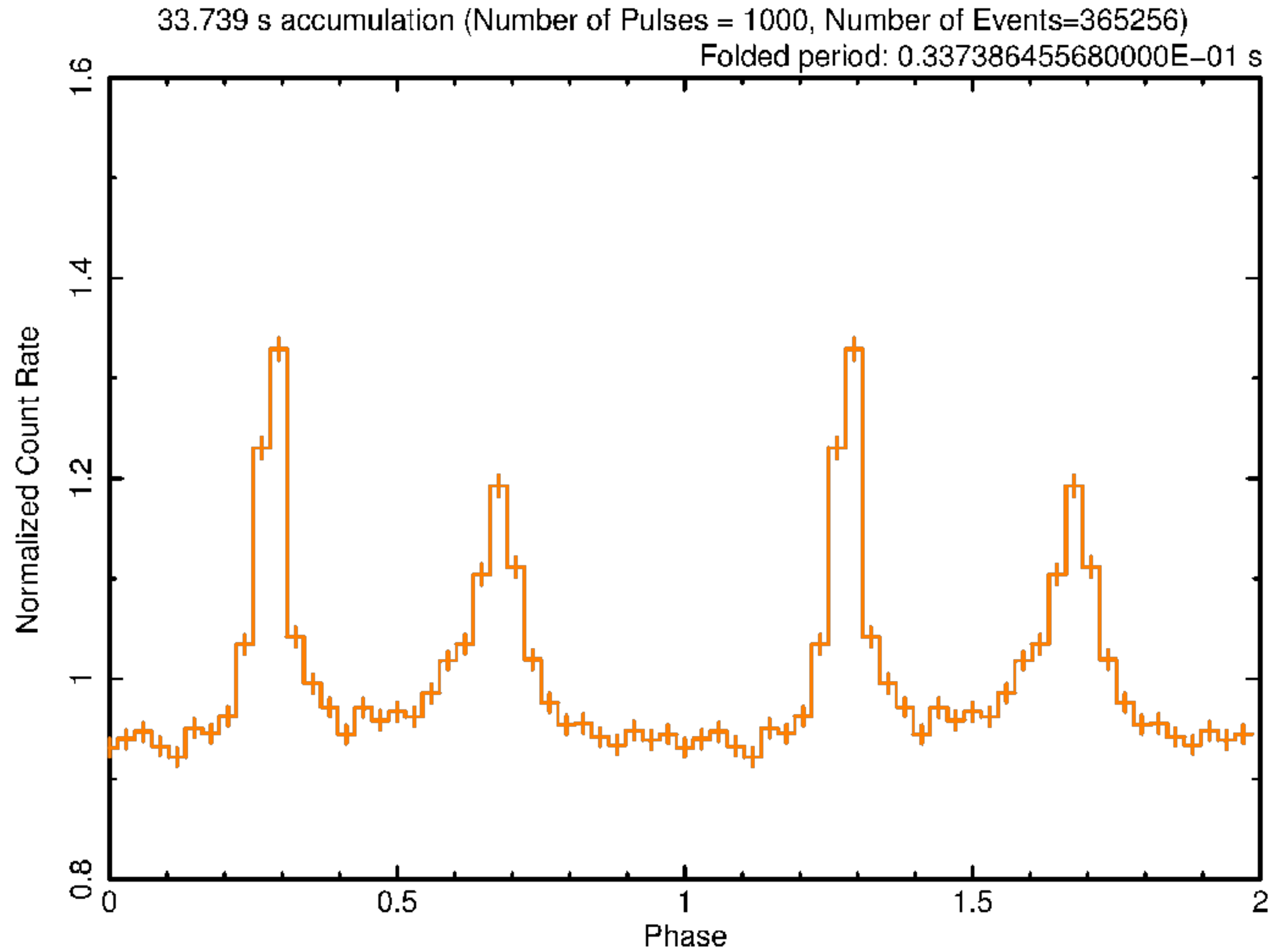
- Radio
 - 10³⁻⁴ enhancement
- Optical
 - Discovery of 3.2% enhancement (7.2σ) coincidences with Crab GRPs
- X-ray & Gamma rays
 - Only upper-limits from Chandra, Suzaku, Fermi... etc

Crab Pulsar — Simultaneous with Radio



with collaboration for radio pulsar observation in Japan

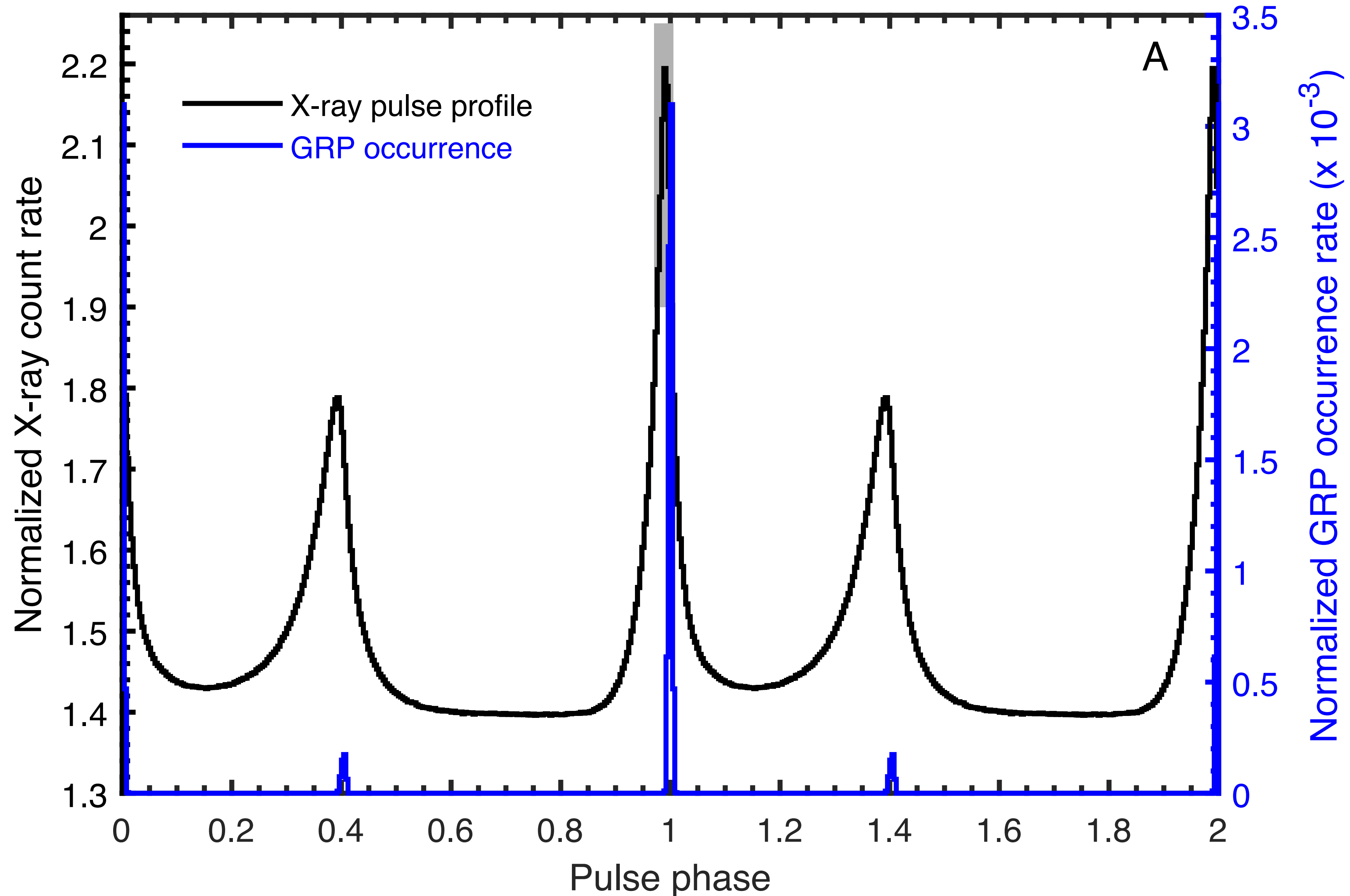
Crab Pulsar — On-orbit actual NICER data



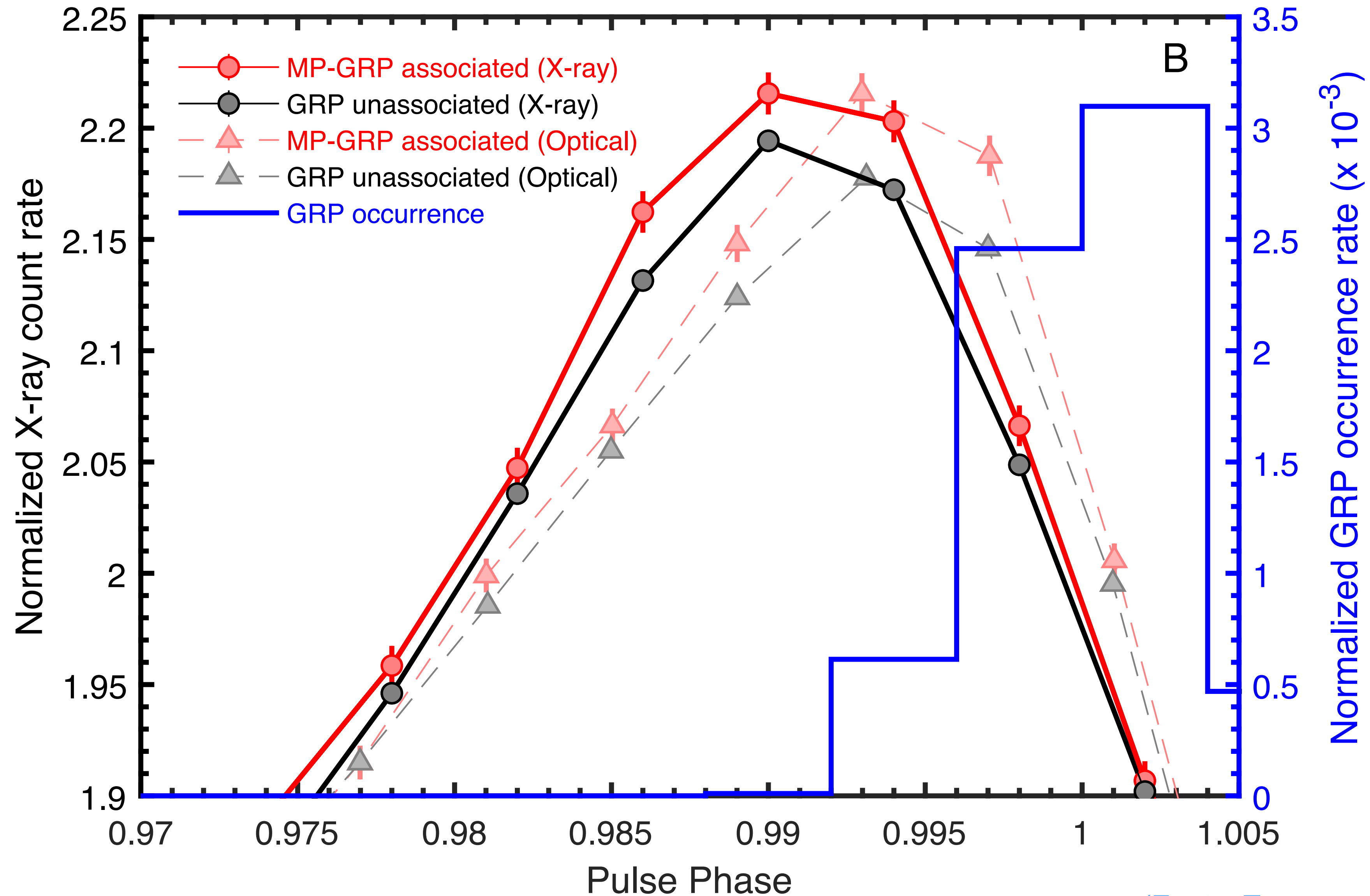
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X-ray profile appears with accumulation in a short exposure (~1 sec) !

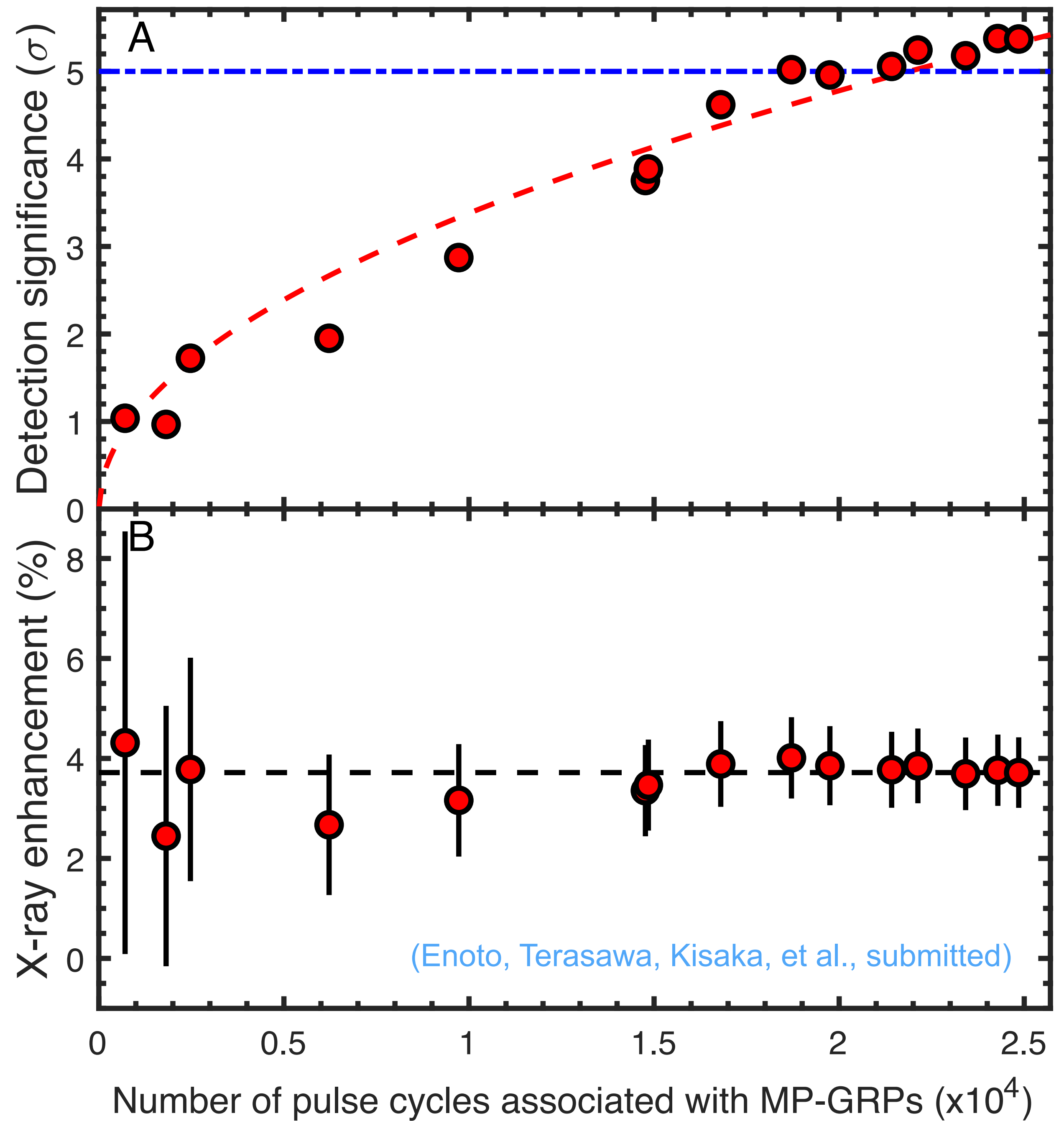
Discovery of X-ray enhancement at GRPs



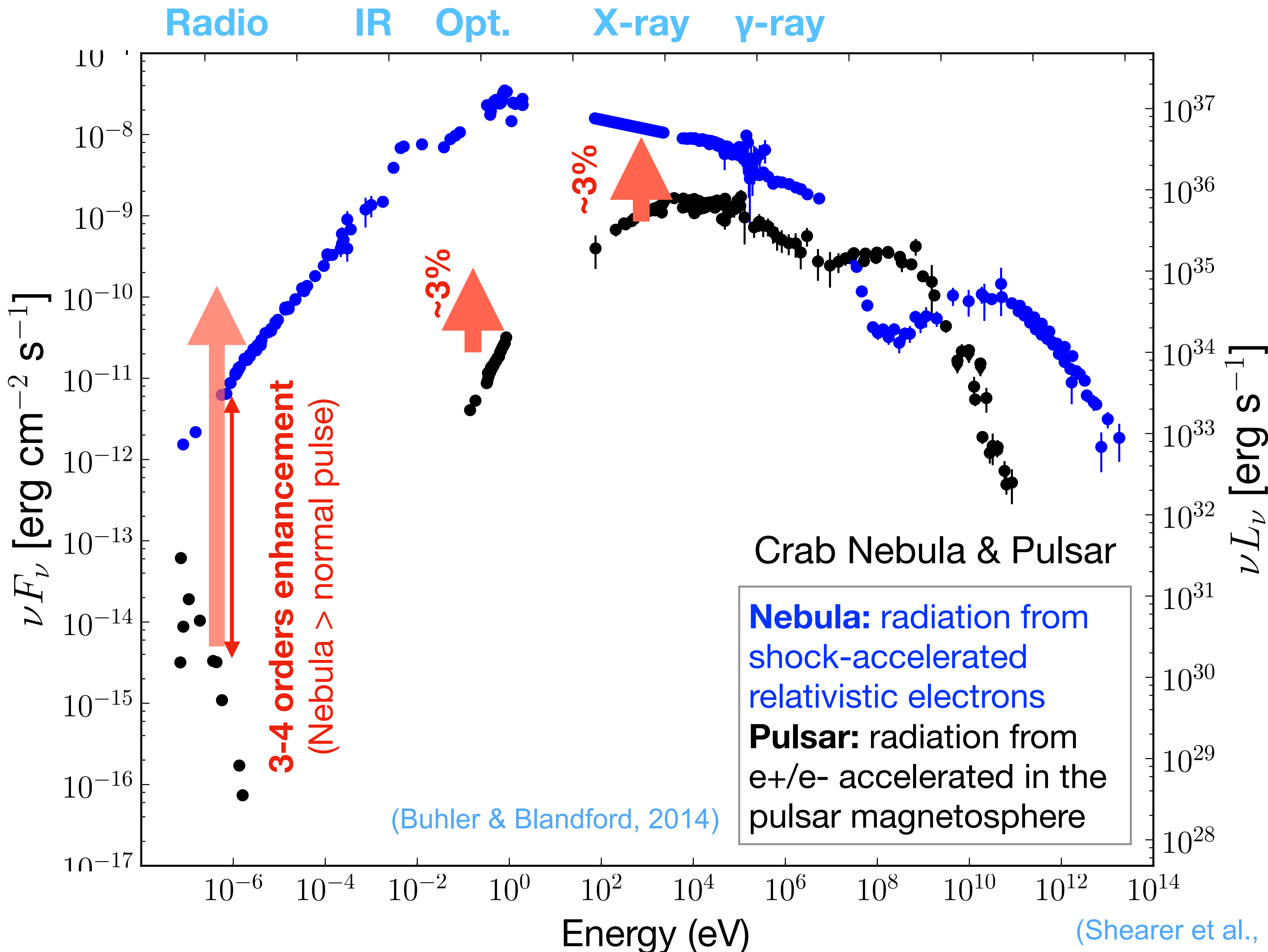
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NICER on the ISS, Usuda, and Kashima antennas are watching the Crab Pulsar

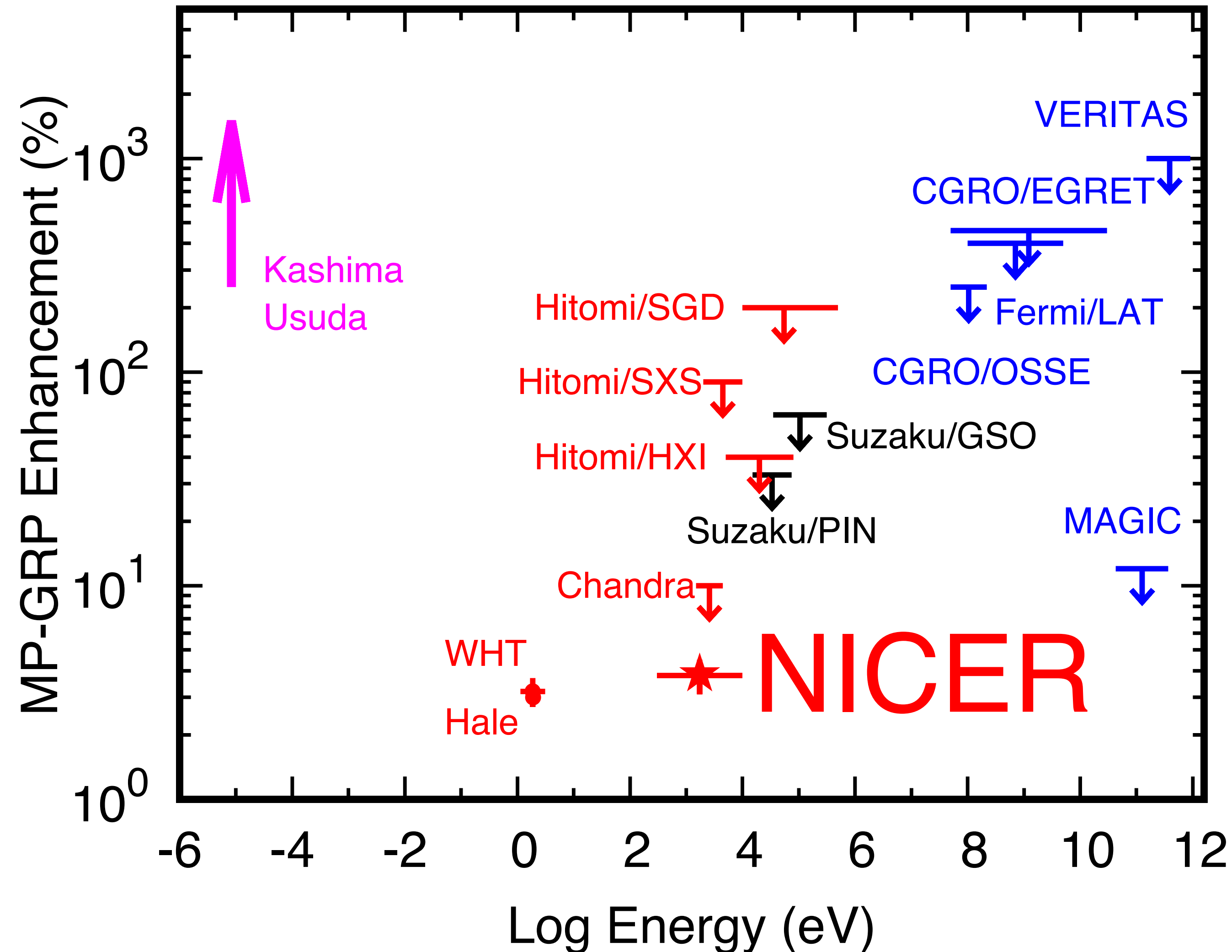


Optical enhancement coincided with GRPs



- Radio
 - 10^3 -4 enhancement
- Optical
 - Discovery of 3.2% enhancement (7.2σ) coincidences with Crab GRPs
- X-ray
 - Discovery of 3.8% enhancement

Discovery of X-ray enhancement at GRPs



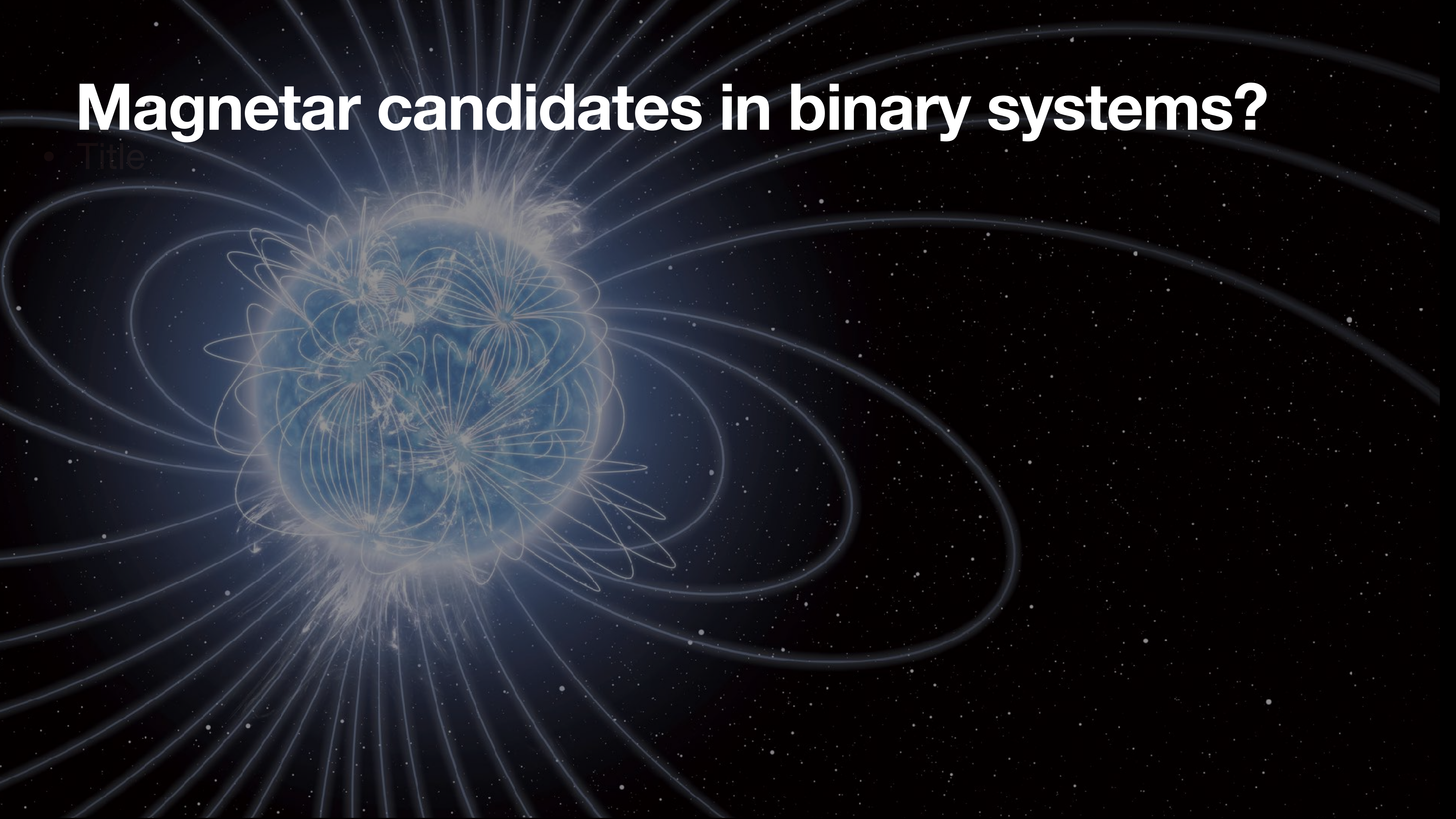
- X-ray enhancement coincided with GRPs from the Crab Pulsar
 - Enhancement: 3.8 ± 0.7 %
 - Significance: 5.4σ
- Since the energy band extends to X-rays, **the total emitted energy from a GRP is revealed to be tens to hundreds of times brighter than previously thought.**

Implication of X-ray detection of the Crab GRPs

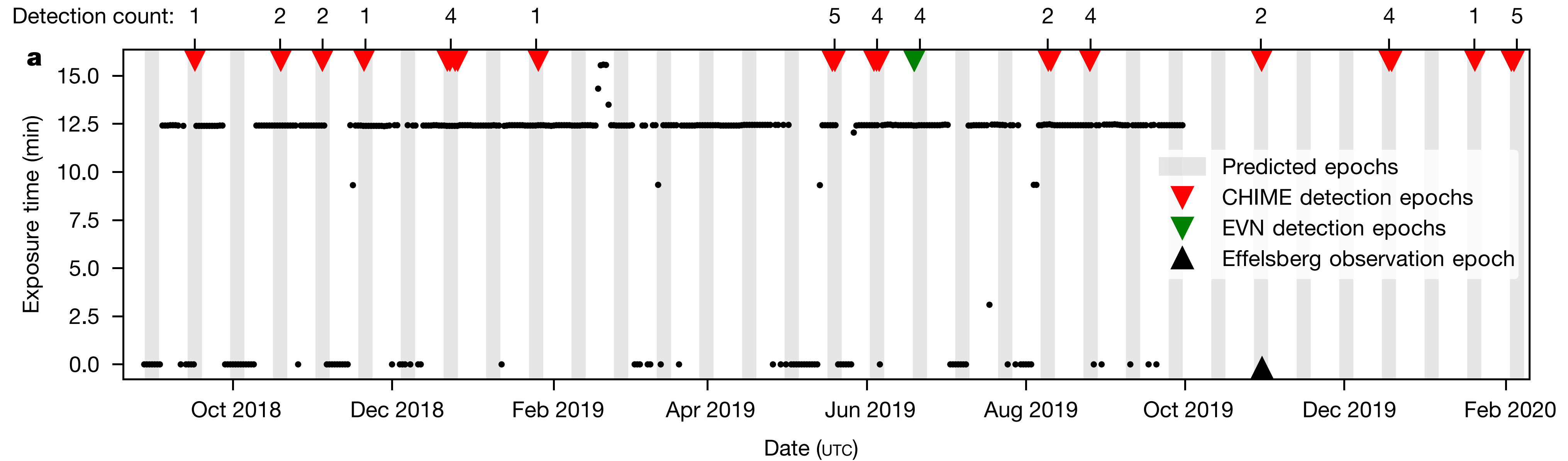
- Hypothetical bright GRP is a candidate for the origin of FRBs especially repeating source.
- The energy source of FRBs is assumed to be the spin-down luminosity.
- The discovery of X-ray enhancement suggests:
 - Since the broadband luminosity of the Crab pulsar GRPs, including the X-ray emission is revealed to be 10^{2-3} times higher than we previously thought, the simple GRP model became more difficult for the FRB origin.
 - the connection between the coherent radio emission and incoherent X-ray radiation in the neutron star magnetosphere. This is also shown the FRB-associated bursts from SGR 1935+2154. Hypothetical bright GRP is a candidate for the origin of FRBs especially repeating source.

Magnetar candidates in binary systems?

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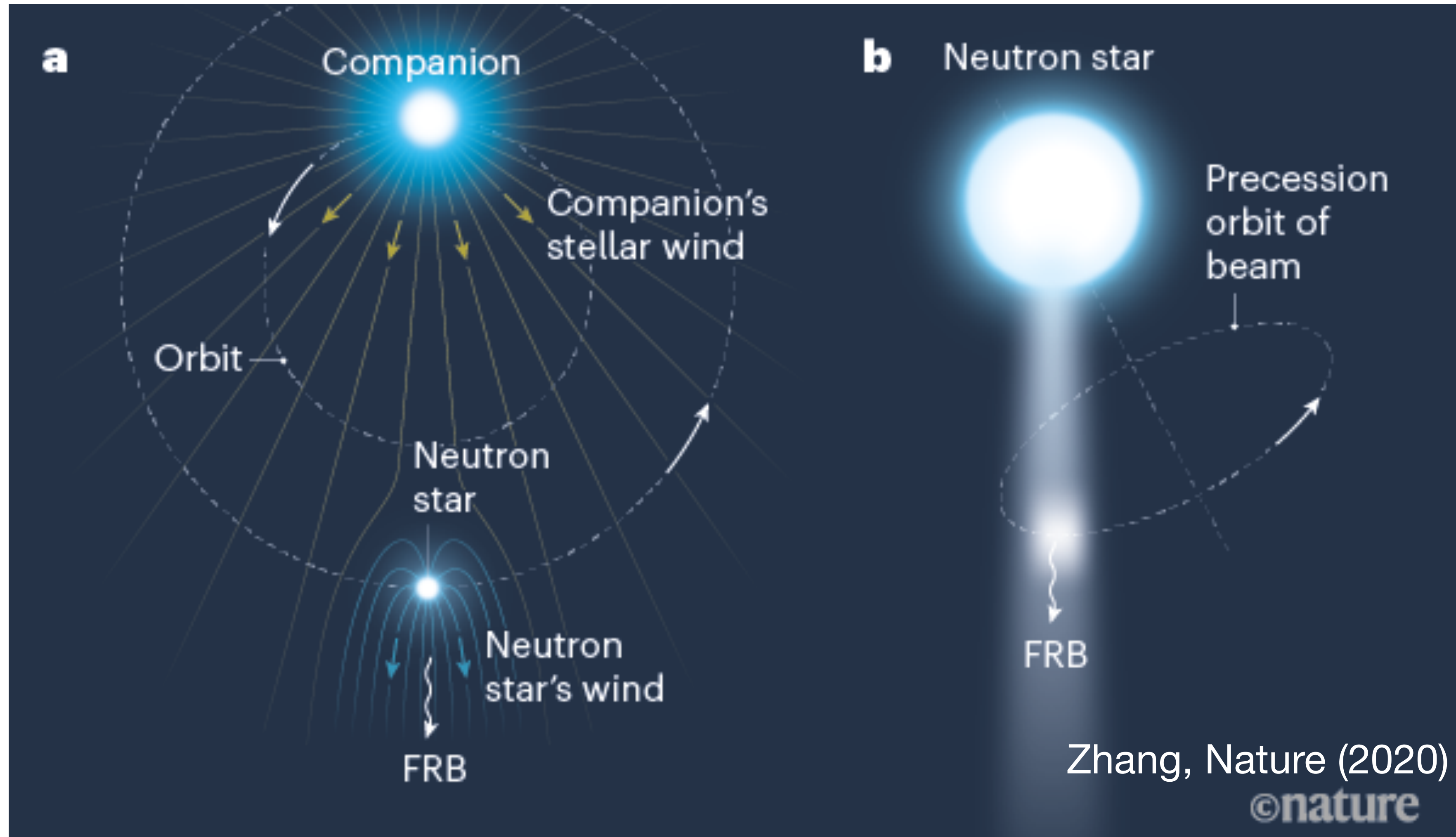


Reported periodicities of FRBs



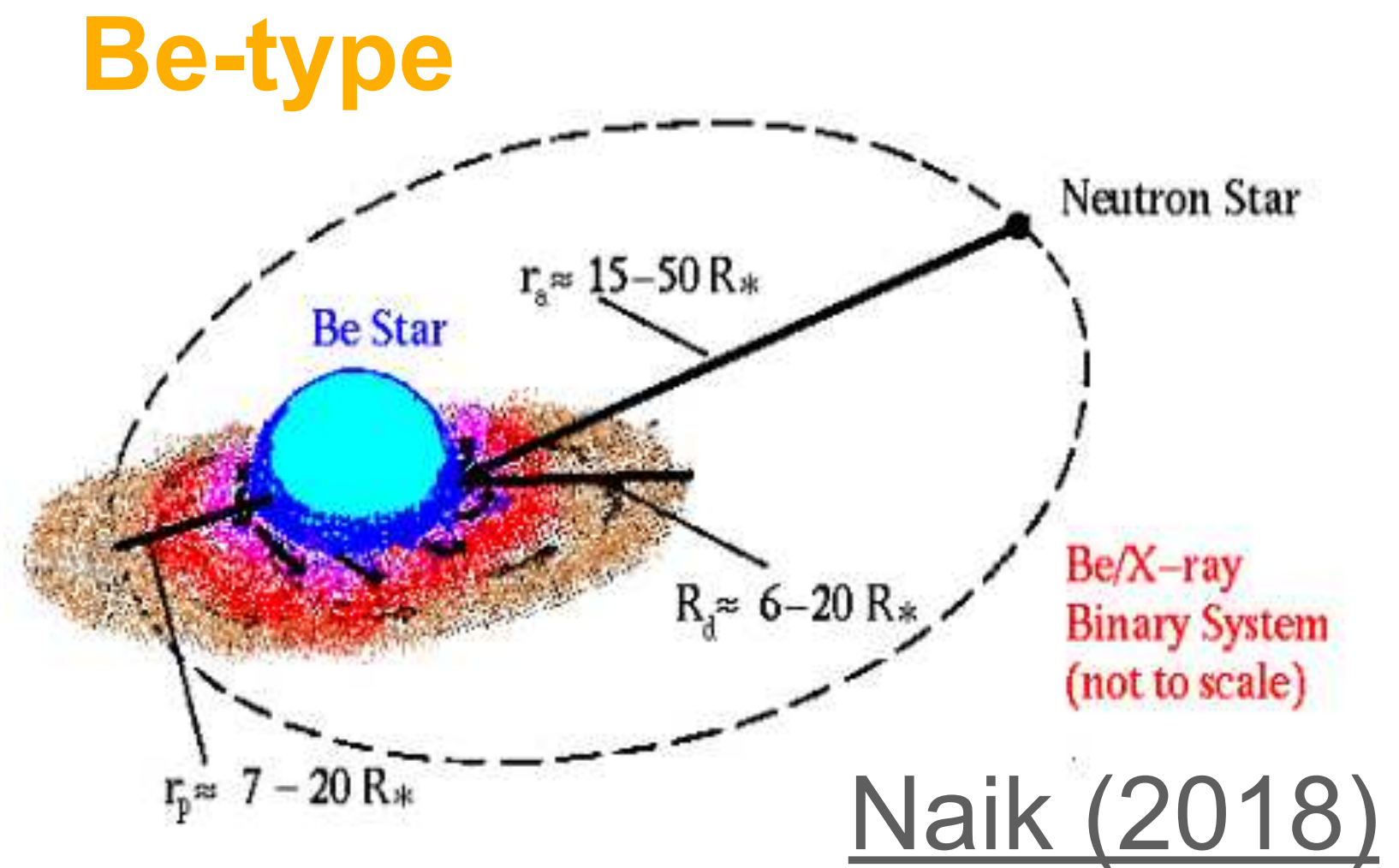
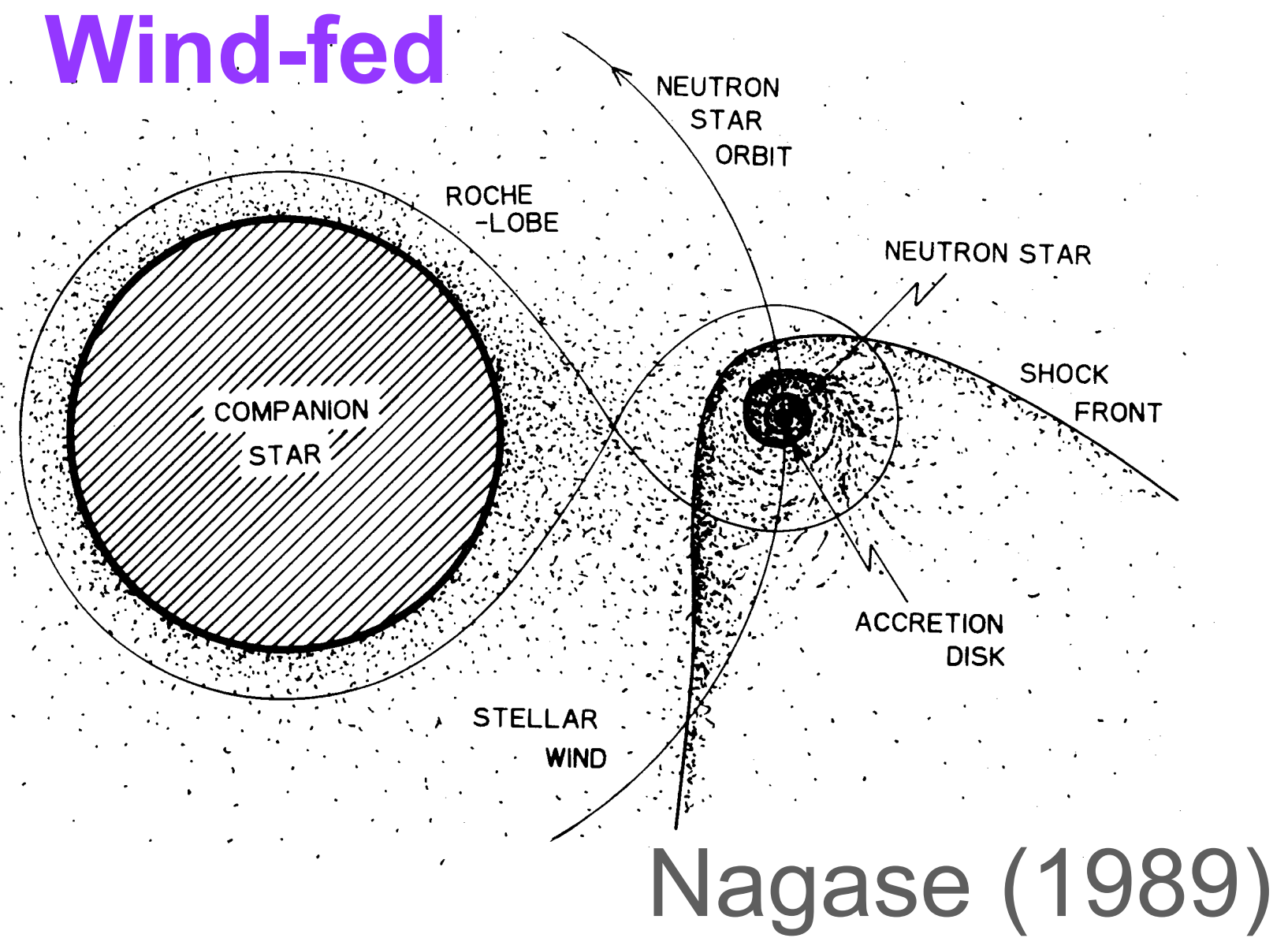
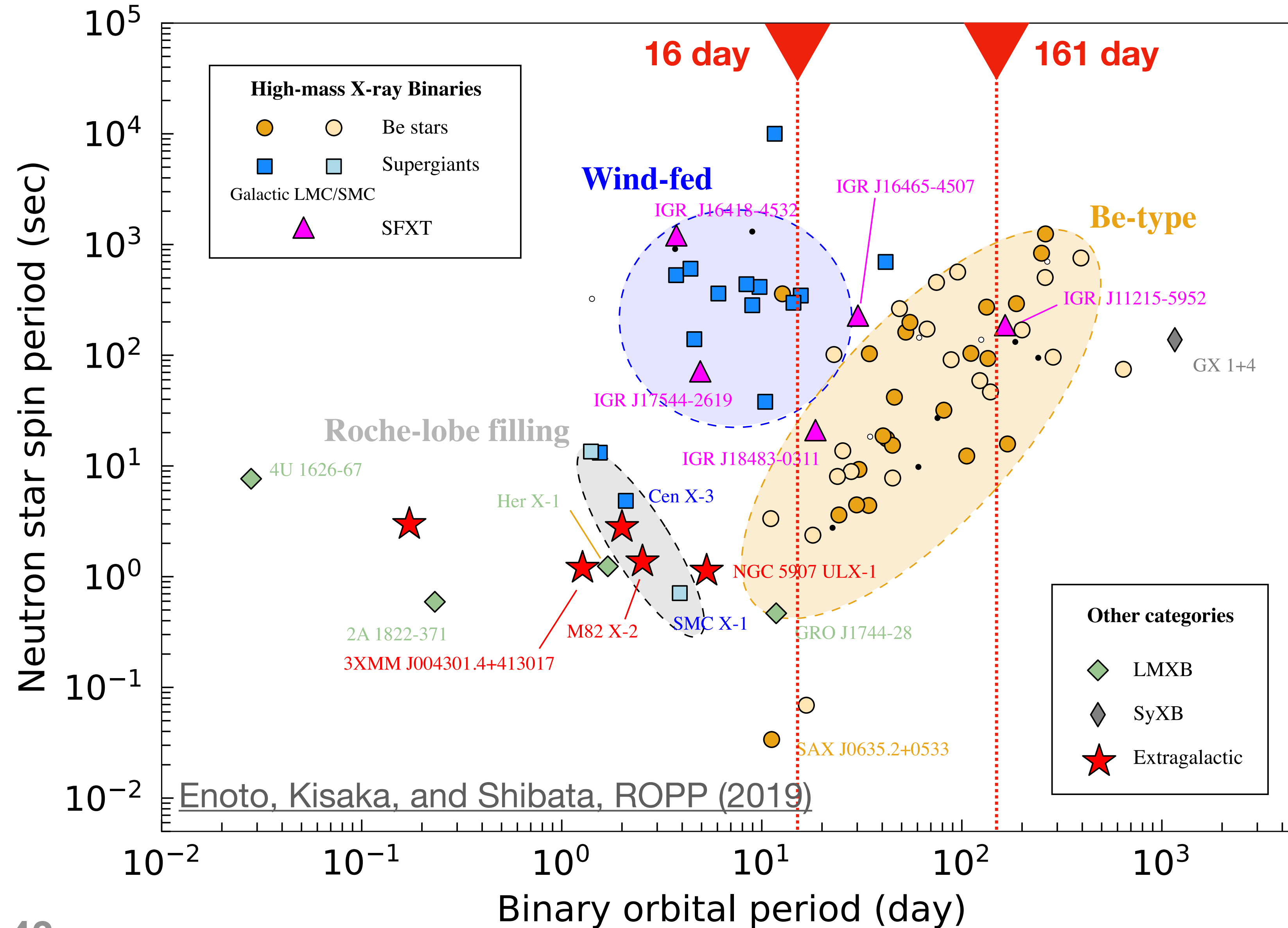
- FRB 180916.J0158+65
 - 16.35 ± 0.16 day periodicity (CHIME/FRB collaboration, Nature, 2020)
 - Burst-active phase depends on frequencies (150 MHz, 600 MHz, & 1.4 GHz)
- FRB 121102
 - 161 days periodicity (Rajwade+2020, Cruces+2021)

Two scenarios to explain the periodicities

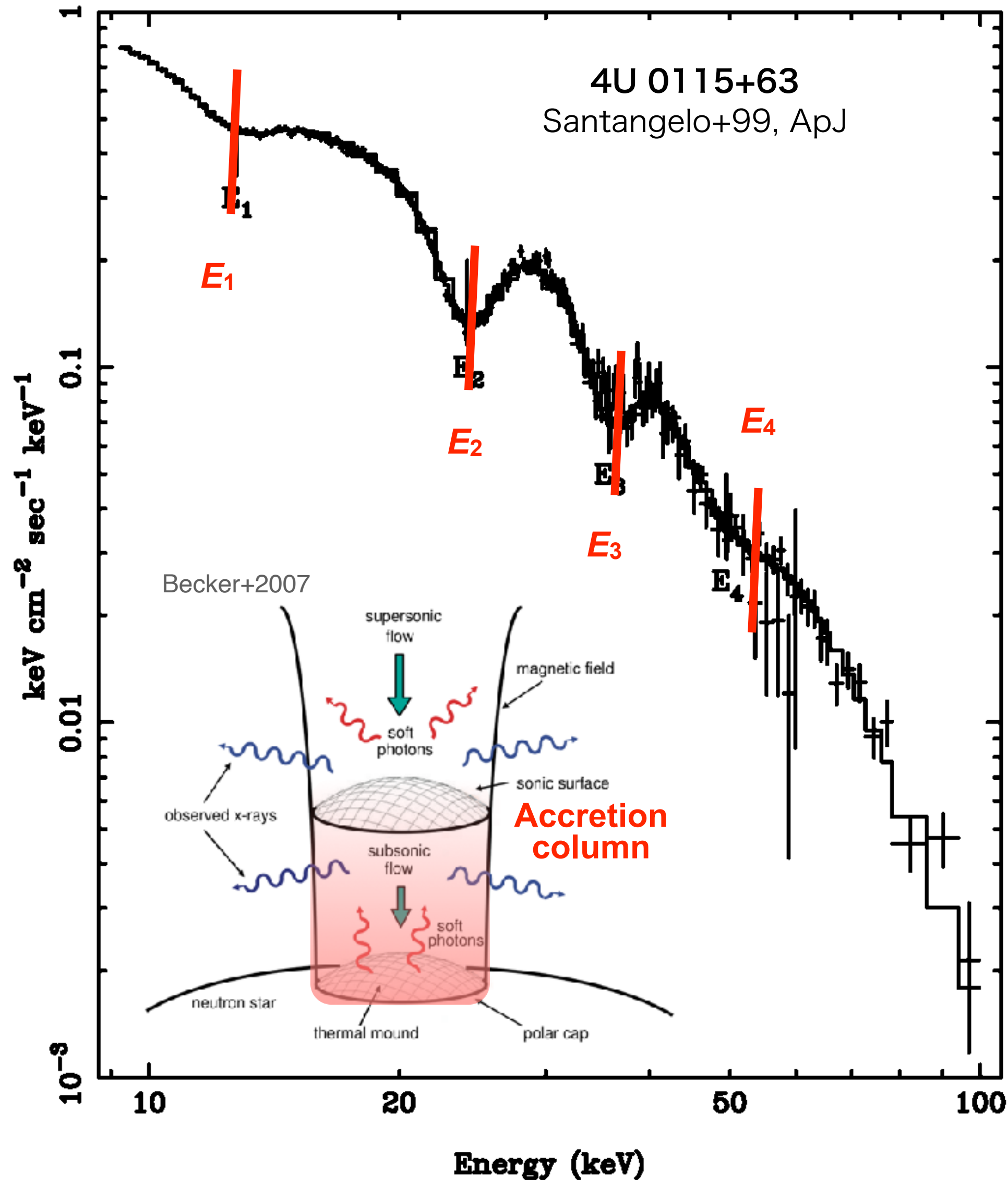


- Binary model (e.g., Ioka & Zhang 2020)
- NS binary motion (orbital separation & mass)
- Precession model (e.g., Levin et al. 2020)
- NS deformation (ellipticity)

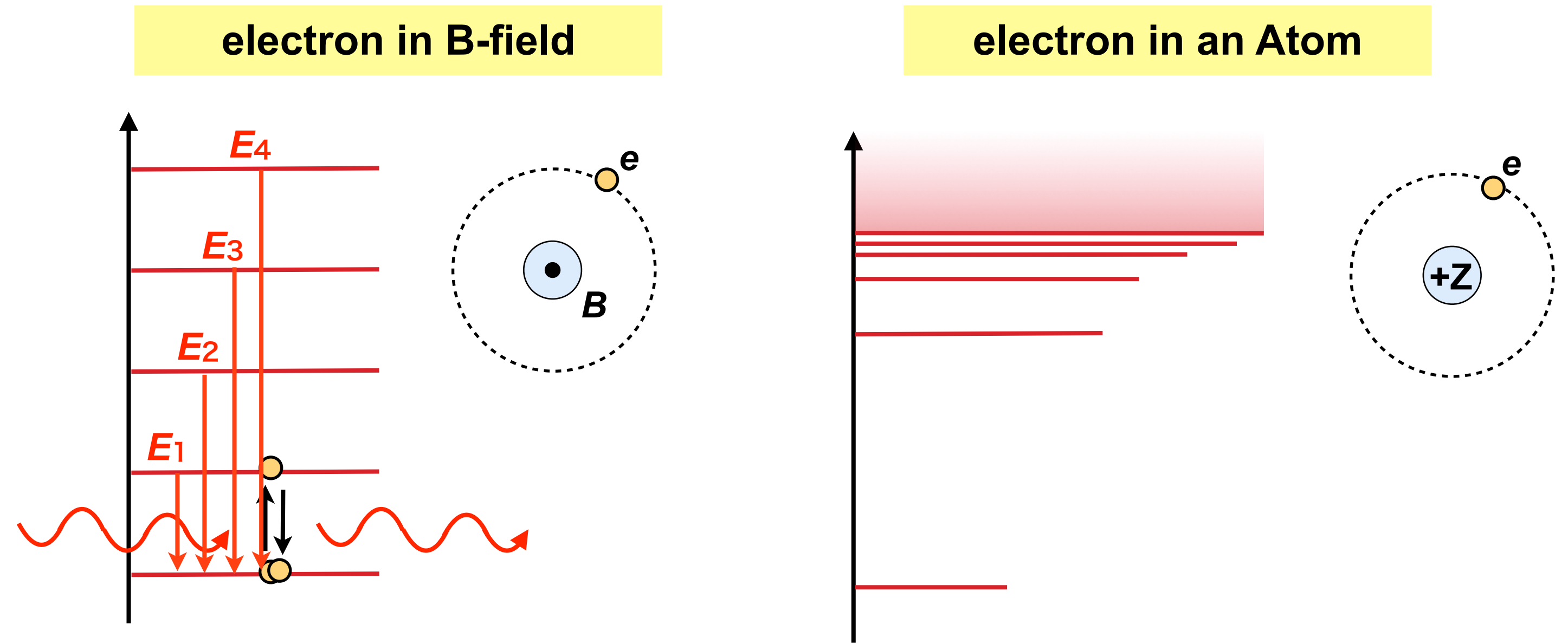
Binary model: Compared with the Corbet diagram



Magnetar in a binary system? (1) CRSF B-field



- Electron cyclotron resonance scattering features (CRSF) are detected from ~20 accretion powered X-ray pulsars as X-ray absorption lines.



$$E_n = n\hbar\omega_c = m_e c^2 \frac{B}{B_c} \cdot n$$

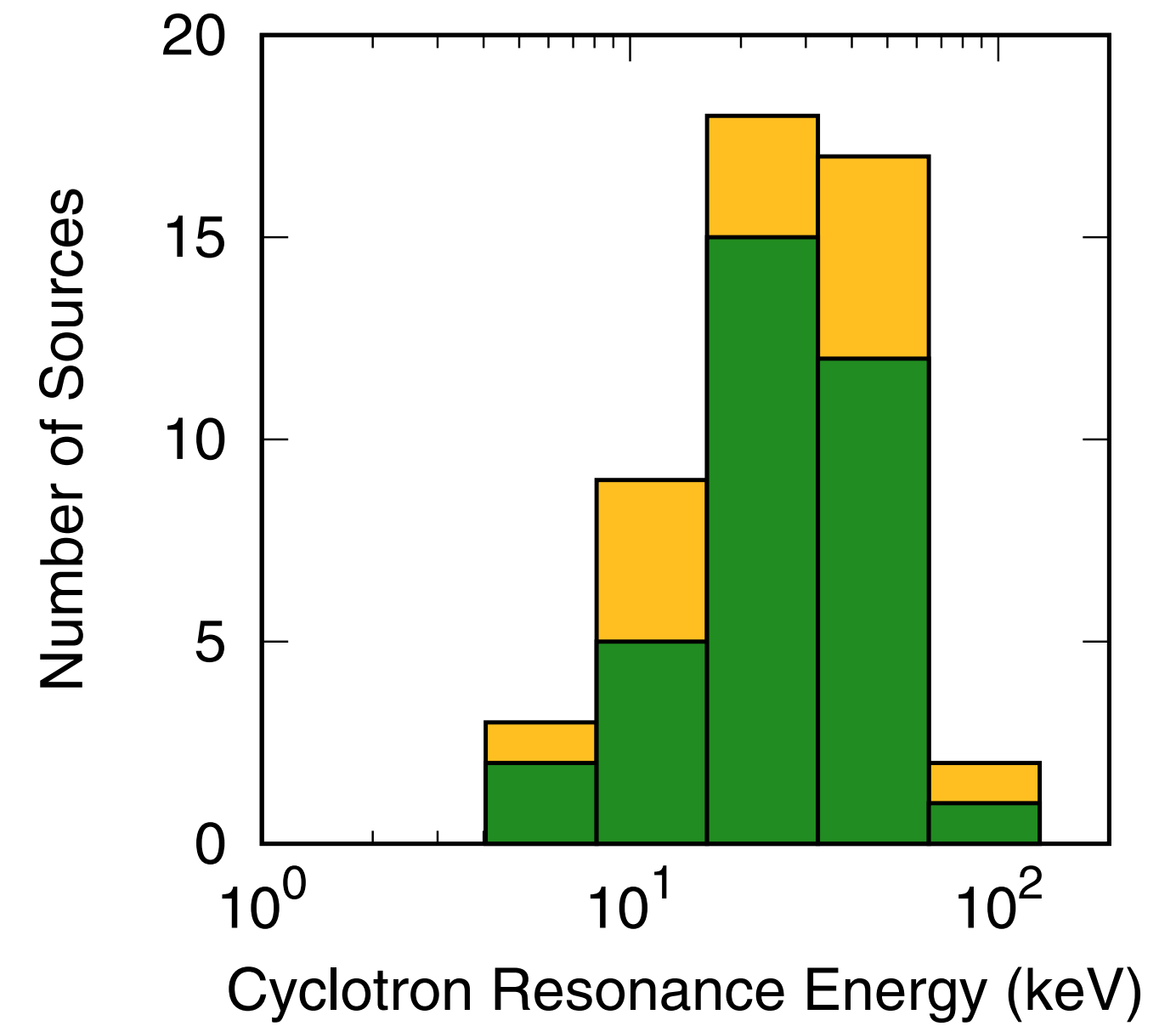
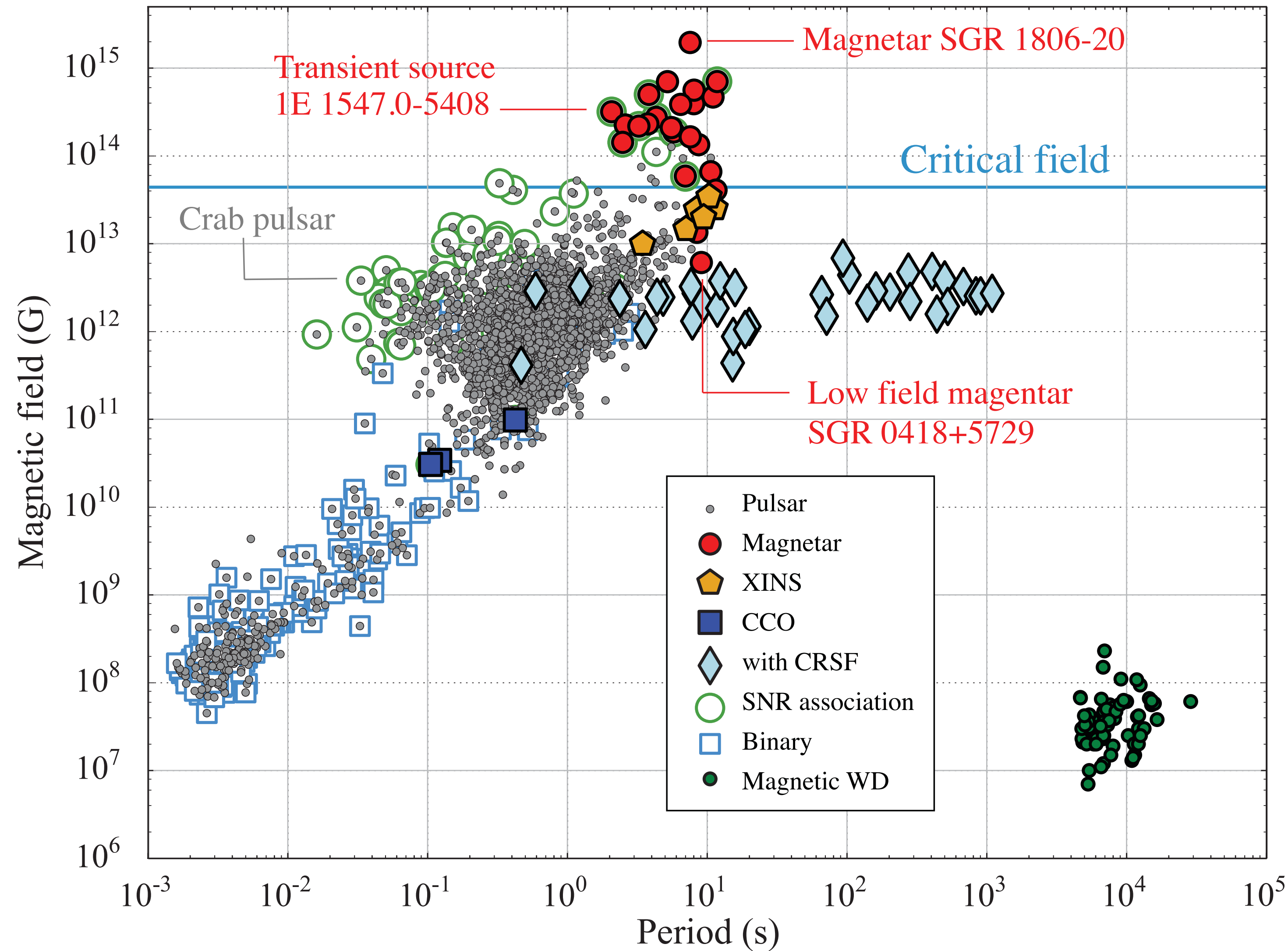
$$E_n = -\frac{\alpha^2}{2} m_e c^2 \cdot \frac{Z^2}{n^2}$$

$$B_{cr} = \frac{m_e^2 c^3}{\hbar e} = 4.4 \times 10^9 \text{ T}$$

$$E_n \sim 13.6 \text{ eV for H (Z=1)}$$

$$7\sim 9 \text{ keV for Fe (Z=26)}$$

Magnetar in a binary system? (1) CRSF B-field



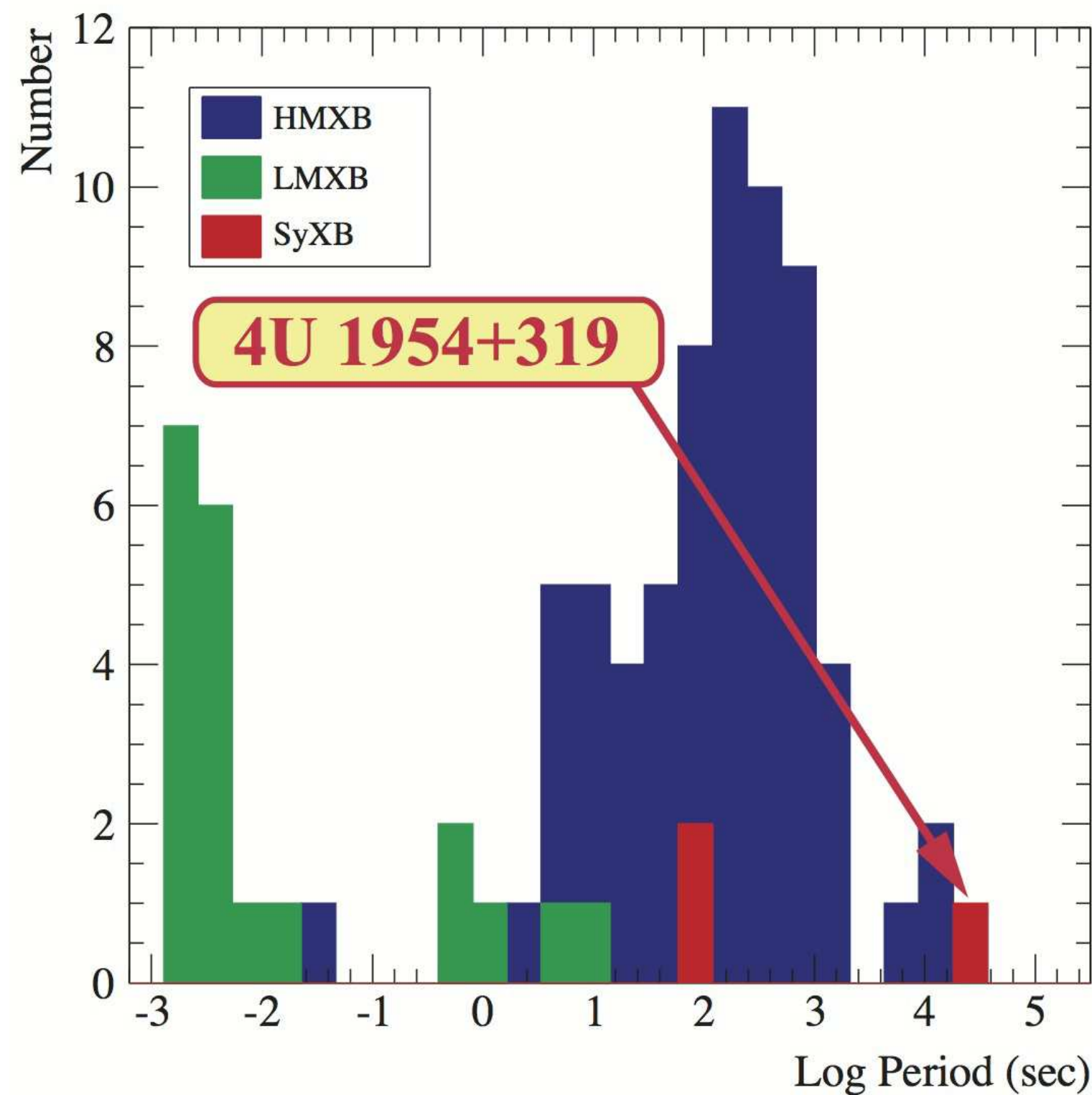
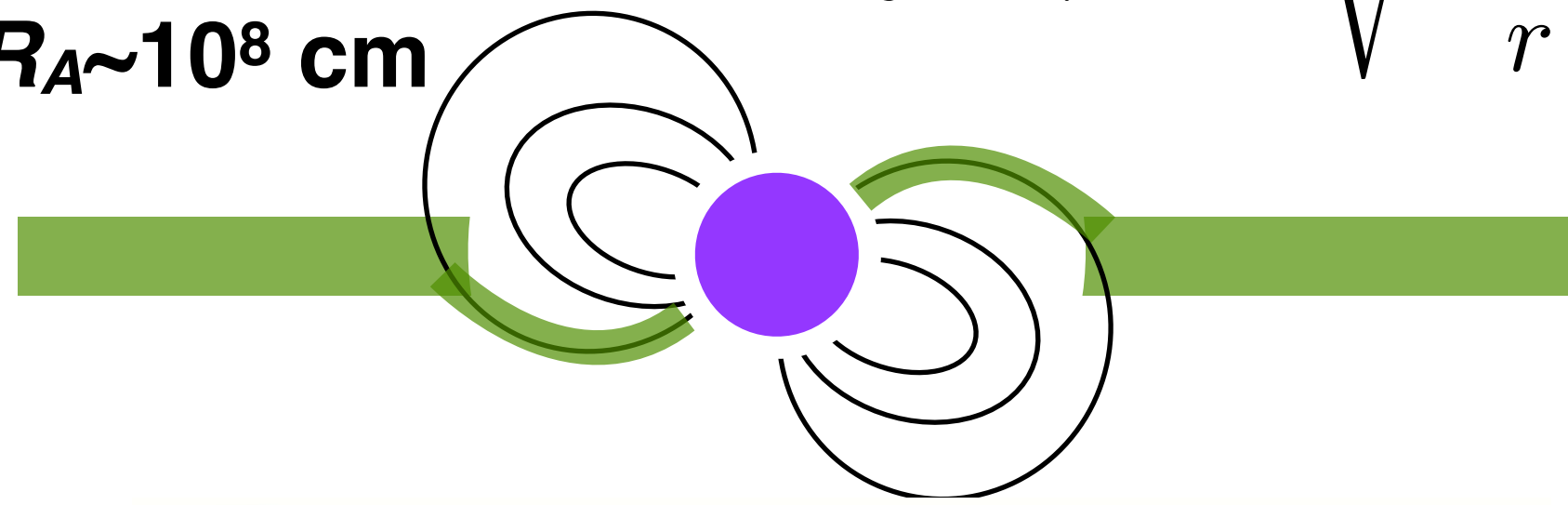
- Electron CRSF up to ~ 100 keV
- Magnetic fields up to 10^{13} G
- No confirmed magnetar in binary systems via the CRSF method.
- (Note) Proton CRSFs are reported from isolated magnetars

Magnetar in a binary system? (2) Spin period

$$R_A \propto B^{4/7}$$

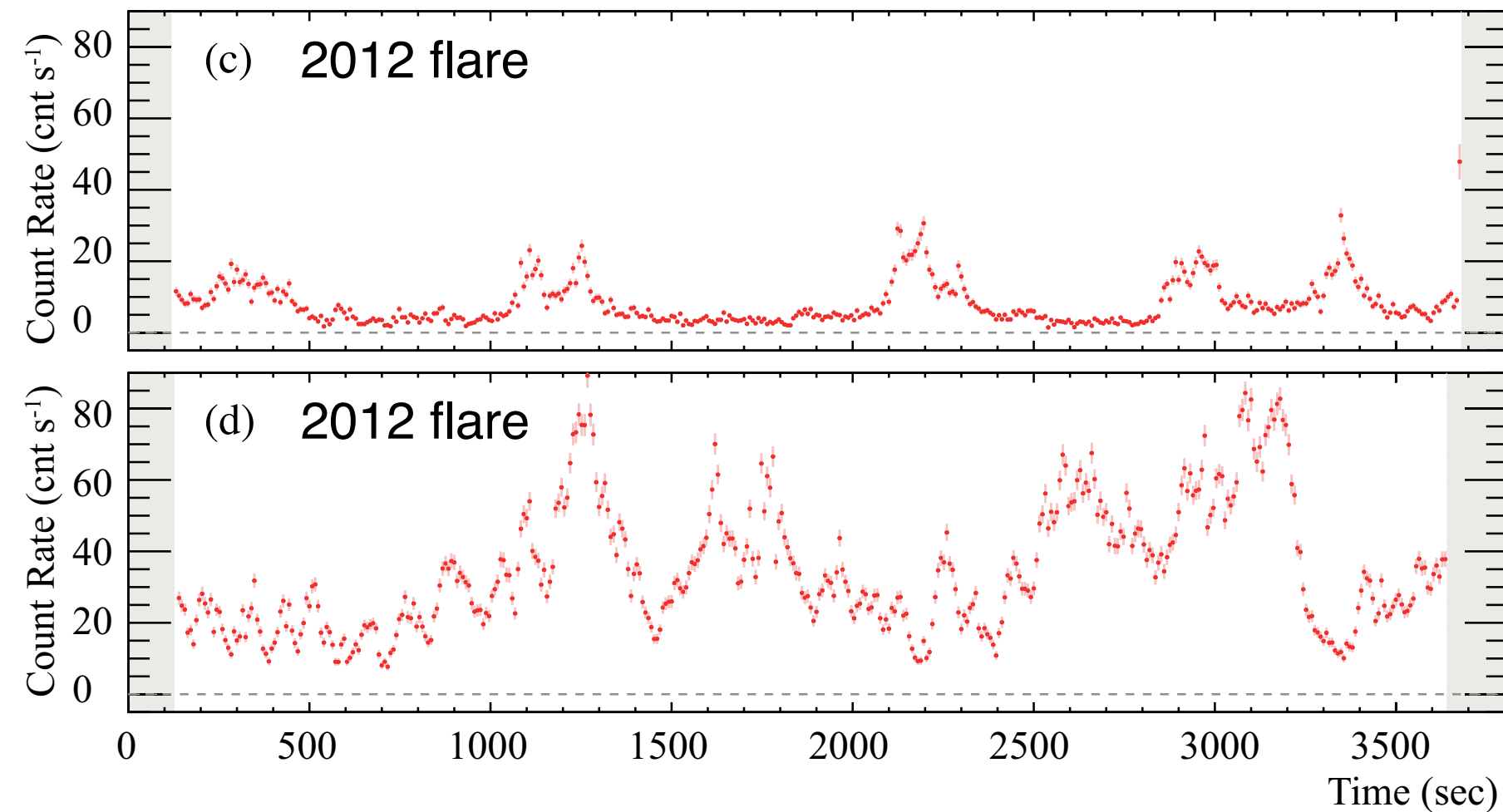
$$R_A \sim 10^8 \text{ cm}$$

$$v = r\Omega = \sqrt{\frac{GM}{r}}$$

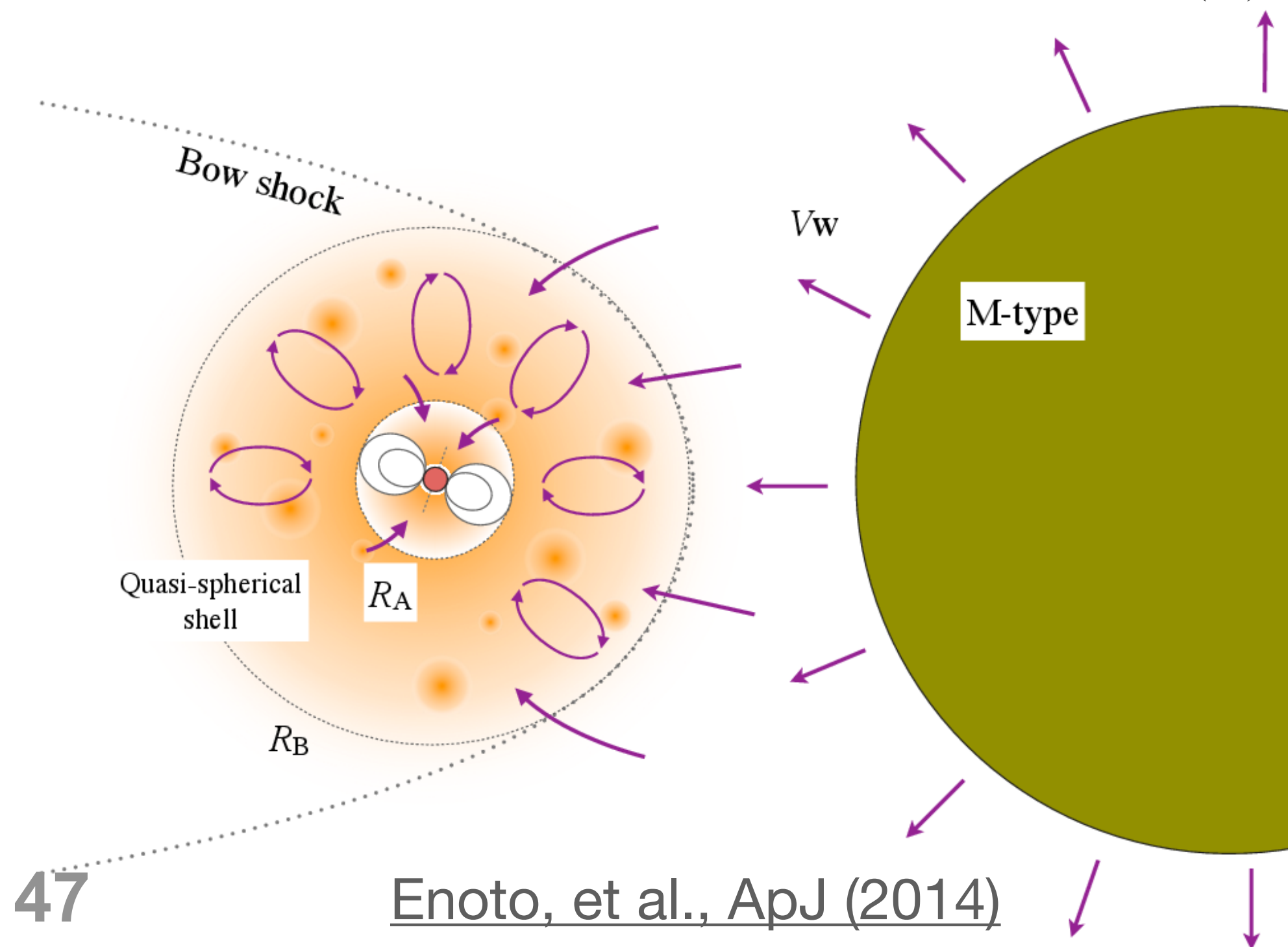


- Accretion disk rotate at the rotational (Keplerian) ferocity and interacts with a neutron star at the Alfven radius.
- Strongly-magnetized pulsars interact at larger Alfven radii where the disk rotates slowly. Thus, at the equilibrium, the NS rotates more slowly.
 - (e.g., $B \propto P^{7/6}$ for disc accretion)
Davidson+1973, Alpar+82 etc; also wind/non-equilibrium models
- Are long-period pulsars in high-mass X-ray binaries (HMXBs) magnetars?
 - 4U 2206+54 ($P \sim 1.6$ hour, Patel+2007)
 - IGR J16358-4726 (1.6 h, Reig+2002)
 - 4U 0114+65 (2.7 h, Li+1999)

Symbiotic X-ray binary 4U 1954+319 (P~5.4 hr)

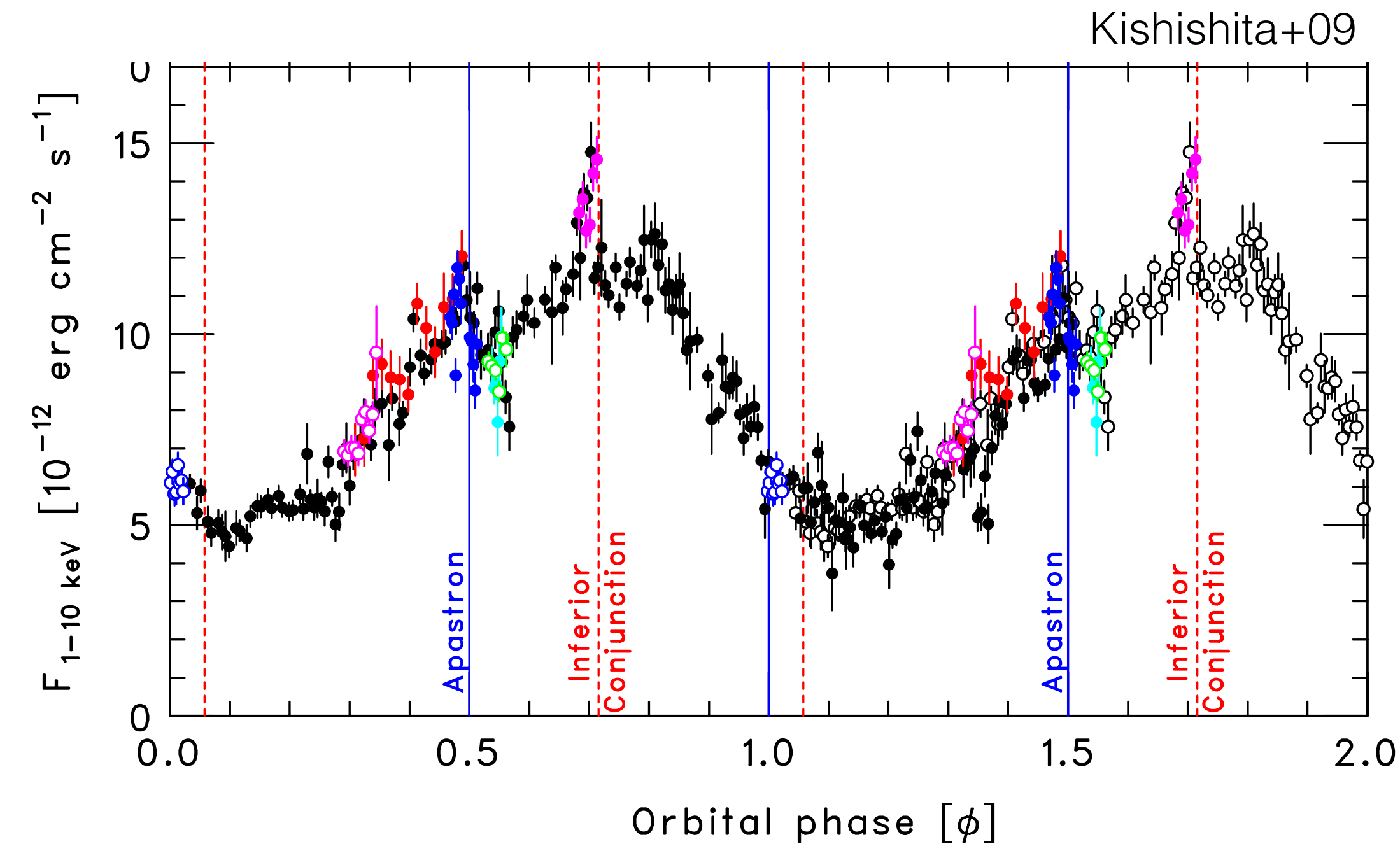


- Symbiotic X-ray binary (SyXB):
 - NS (long spin period) + an M-type giant
- Discovered in 1970's but virtually forgotten for 20 years. 5.4-hour pulsation varies by ~7% for 8 years → spin period close to the equilibrium.
- If the disk accretion, $B > \sim 10^{15-16}$ G
- No magnetar-like intense short bursts, but Irregular short flares ($\Delta t \sim 10-10^3$ s).
- Typical timing & spectral features of wind-fed X-ray pulsar of $B > 10^{12}$ G field
- **Quasi-spheric accreting in a wind-fed system with a NS of $B \sim 10^{13}$ G can explain the long spin period and the duration of short flares.**



Gamma-ray binaries as a candidate of the FRB binary model?

- Sub-class of high-mass X-ray binaries with different features from other X-ray binaries
 - Dominant non-thermal emission to TeV
 - 2 (or 3) systems have pulsars
- LS5039: Stable X-ray light curve → wind?
 - Orbital period 3.9 days, $e=0.35$
 - Companion star: O-type, $22.9 M_{\text{sun}}$
 - Compact object: NS or BH, $>1.5 M_{\text{sun}}$

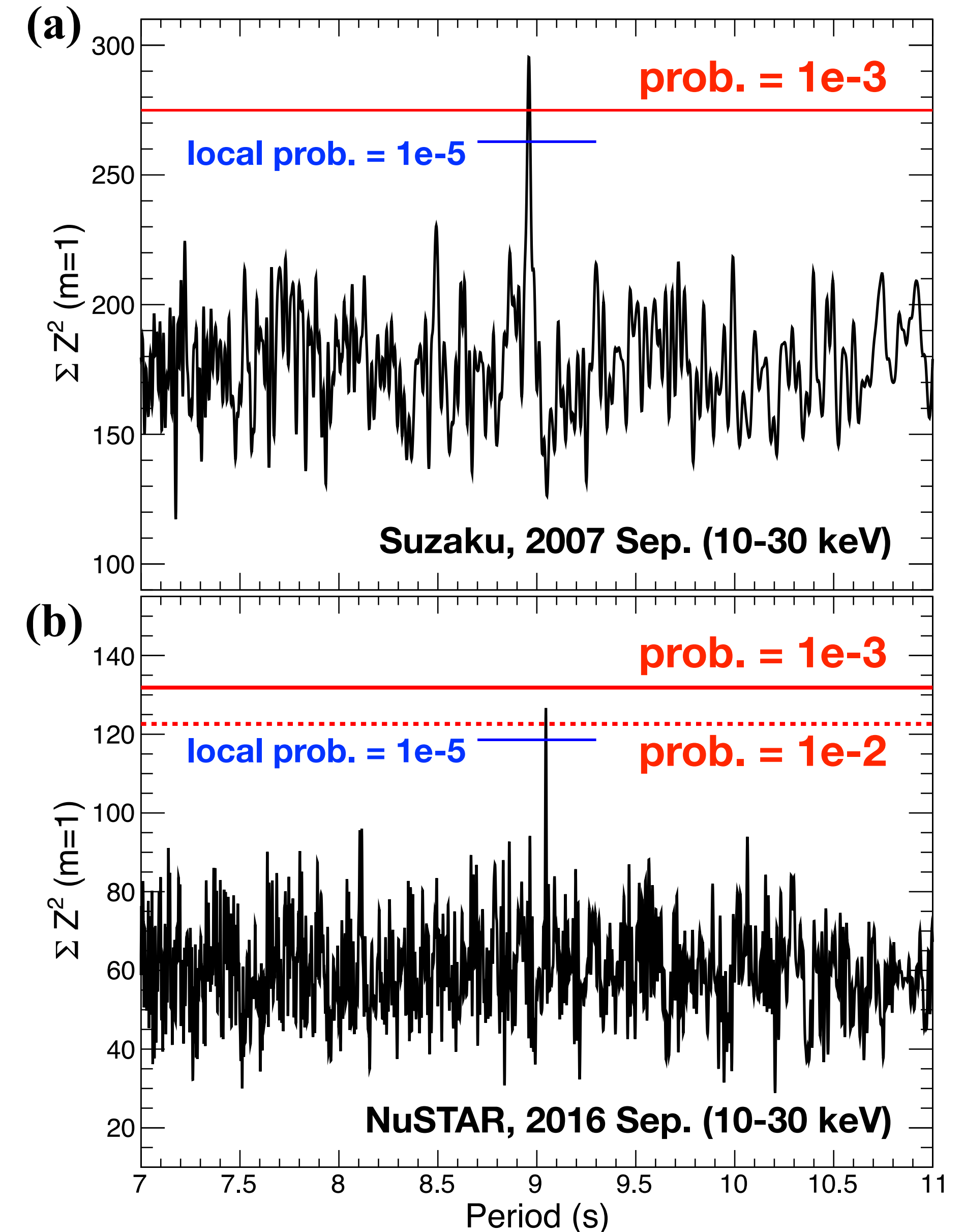


Source	Opt.	Period	Orbital
LS 5039	O	?	3.9 day
FGL J1018.6-5856	O	?	16.6 day
LMC P-3	O	?	10.2 day
4FGL J1405.1-6119	O	?	13.7 day

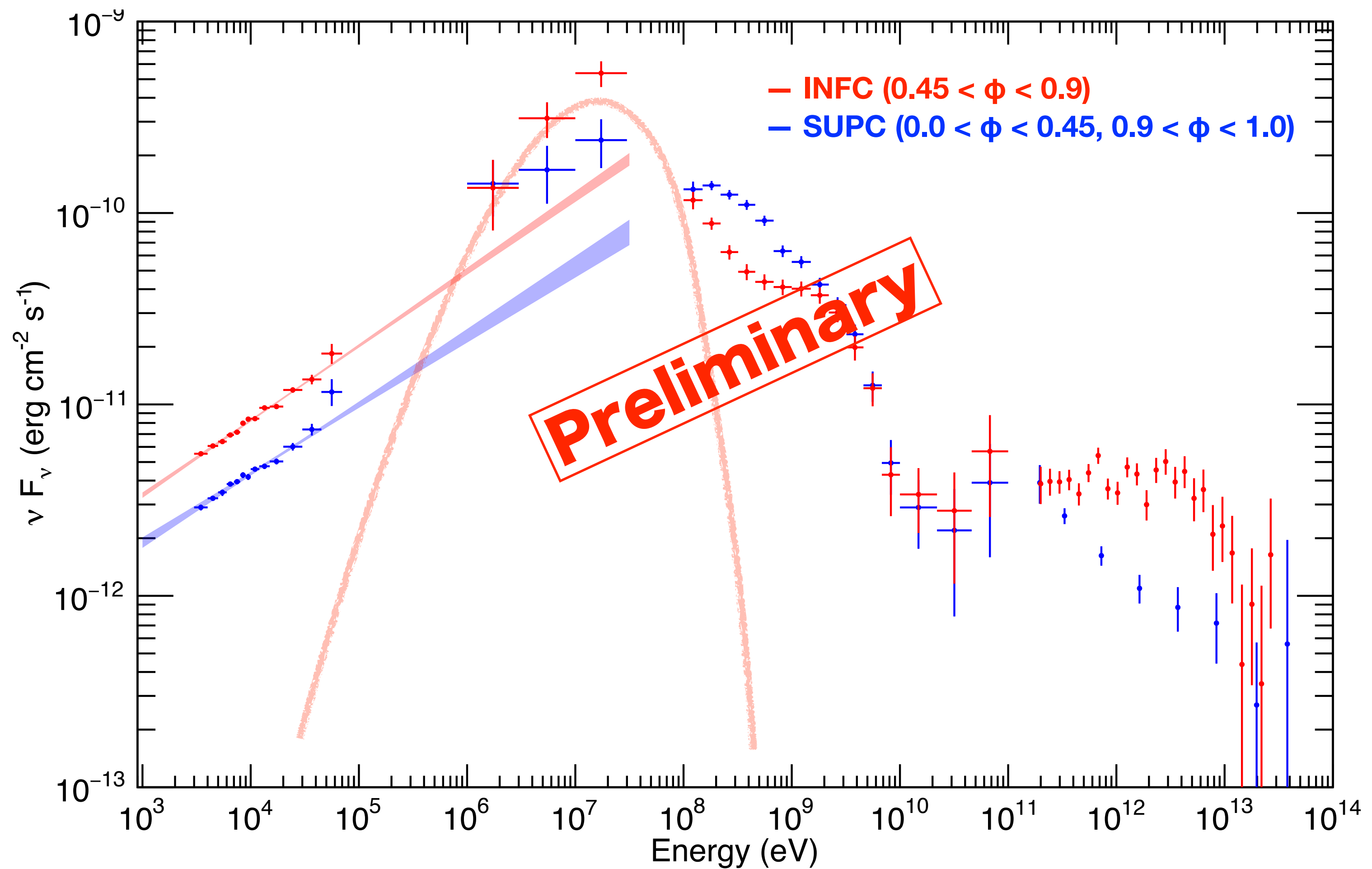
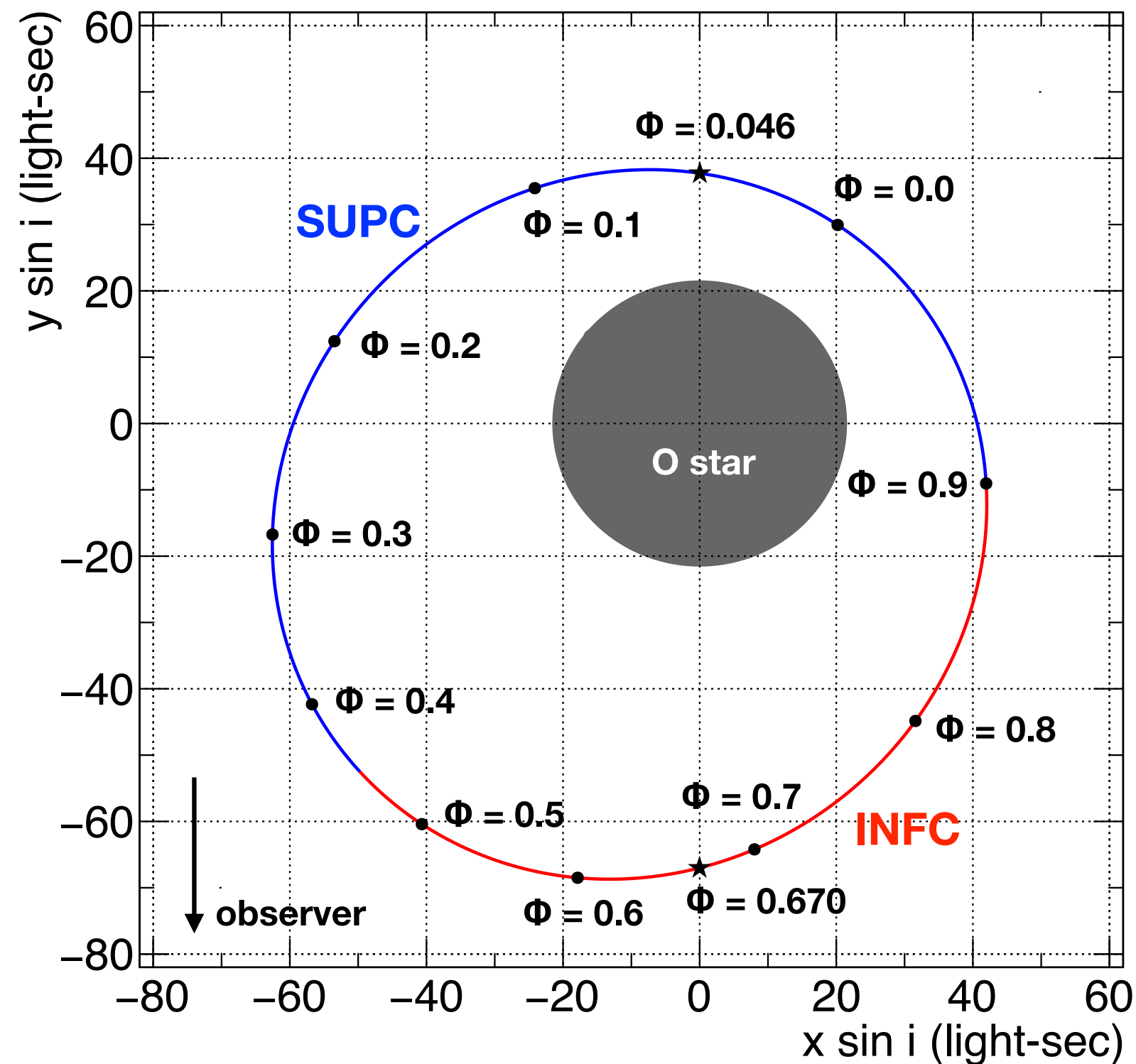
Source	Opt.	Period	Orbital
HESS J0632+057	Be	?	315.5 day
LS I+61 303	Be	?	26.5 day
PSR J2032+4127	Be	143 ms	50 year
PSR B1259-53	Be	43 ms	3.4 year

Signature for hard X-ray pulsations of LS 5039

- LS5039 is the brightest gamma-ray binary with a short orbital period (3.9 day), being observed extensively over the entire orbit.
- We found a periodicity at 8.96 ± 0.01 s from the Suzaku/HXD hard X-ray observation with a chance probability of 1.1×10^{-3} .
- In the NuSTAR data 11 years after the Suzaku one, the periodic signal was also found at 9.046 ± 0.009 s with smaller significance.
- Further confirmation is needed. If the compact object is a 9-s rotating pulsar, period derivative is $\dot{P} \sim 3 \times 10^{-10}$ s/s.



SED of LS 5039



- Is the dominant MeV component synchrotron emission in strong magnetic fields?
 - Peat at ~ 20 keV \rightarrow efficient particle acceleration ($\eta < 10$)
 - Not to overestimate the TeV emission \rightarrow strong magnetic field ($B > \sim 3$ G)
 - Hard photon index \rightarrow hard electron spectrum ($s < 2$)

Reconnection model of a magnetar in a binary system?

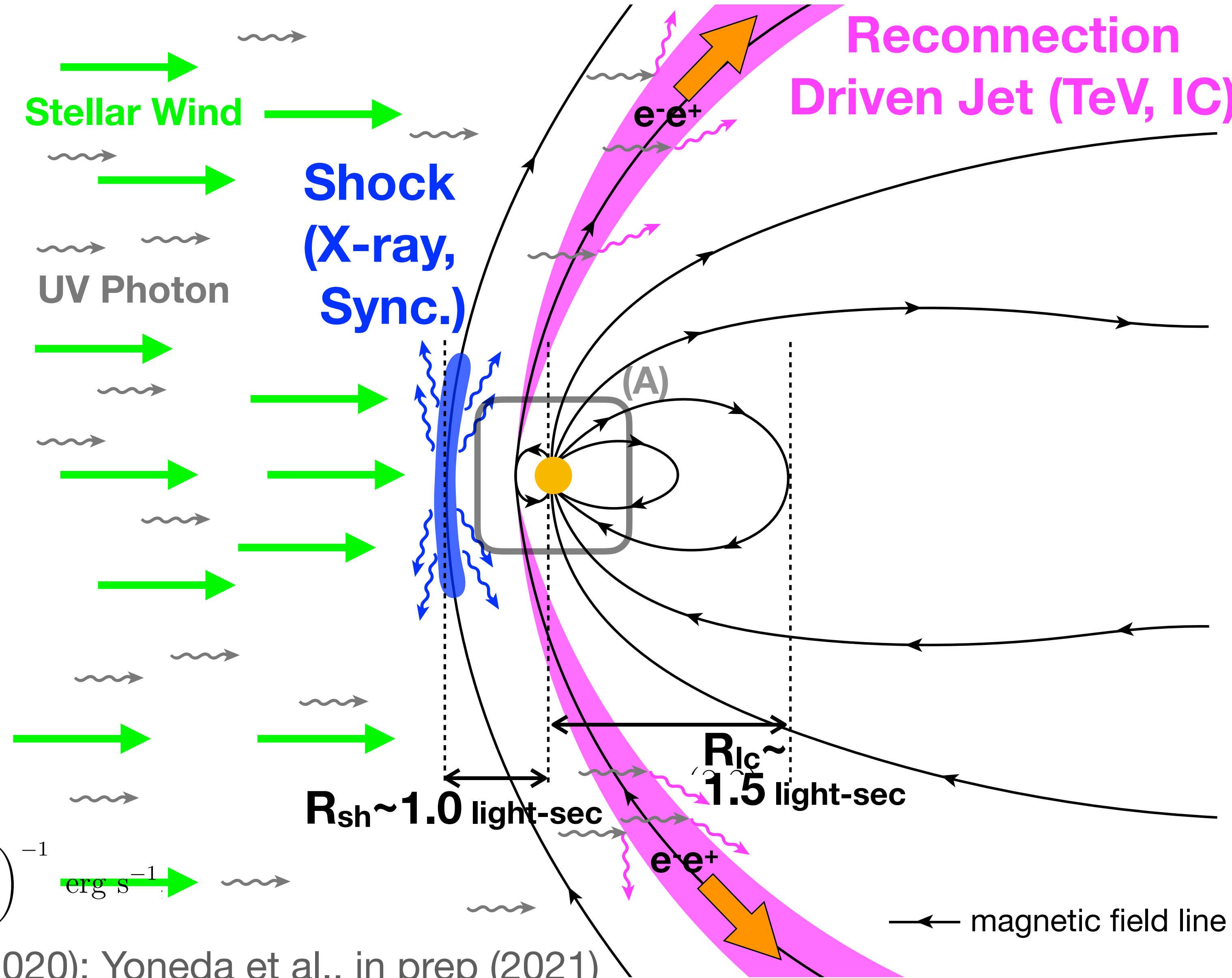
- Observed $L \sim 10^{36}$ erg/s
- Spin-down luminosity
 - $P \sim 9$ s & $\dot{P} \sim 3 \times 10^{-10}$ s/s \rightarrow
 $L_{sd} \sim 10^{34}$ erg/s (not enough)
- Accretion powered?
 - Non-thermal, different from accreting powered pulsars, No timing variability

Stellar wind

$$L_w \sim \frac{1}{2} \dot{M}_w v_w^2 \times \frac{\pi R_A^2}{4\pi D_{sep}^2} = 6 \times 10^{31} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$$

Magnetic energy (reconnection)

$$L_{BF} = \frac{B_{NS}^2 R_{NS}^3}{6\tau} \sim 10^{37} \times \left(\frac{B_{NS}}{10^{15} \text{ G}}\right)^2 \left(\frac{R_{NS}}{10 \text{ km}}\right)^3 \left(\frac{\tau}{500 \text{ yr}}\right)^{-1} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$$



Pulsations discovered from LS I +61 303

FAST Detected A Transient Periodic Signal In The Direction of LS I +61 303

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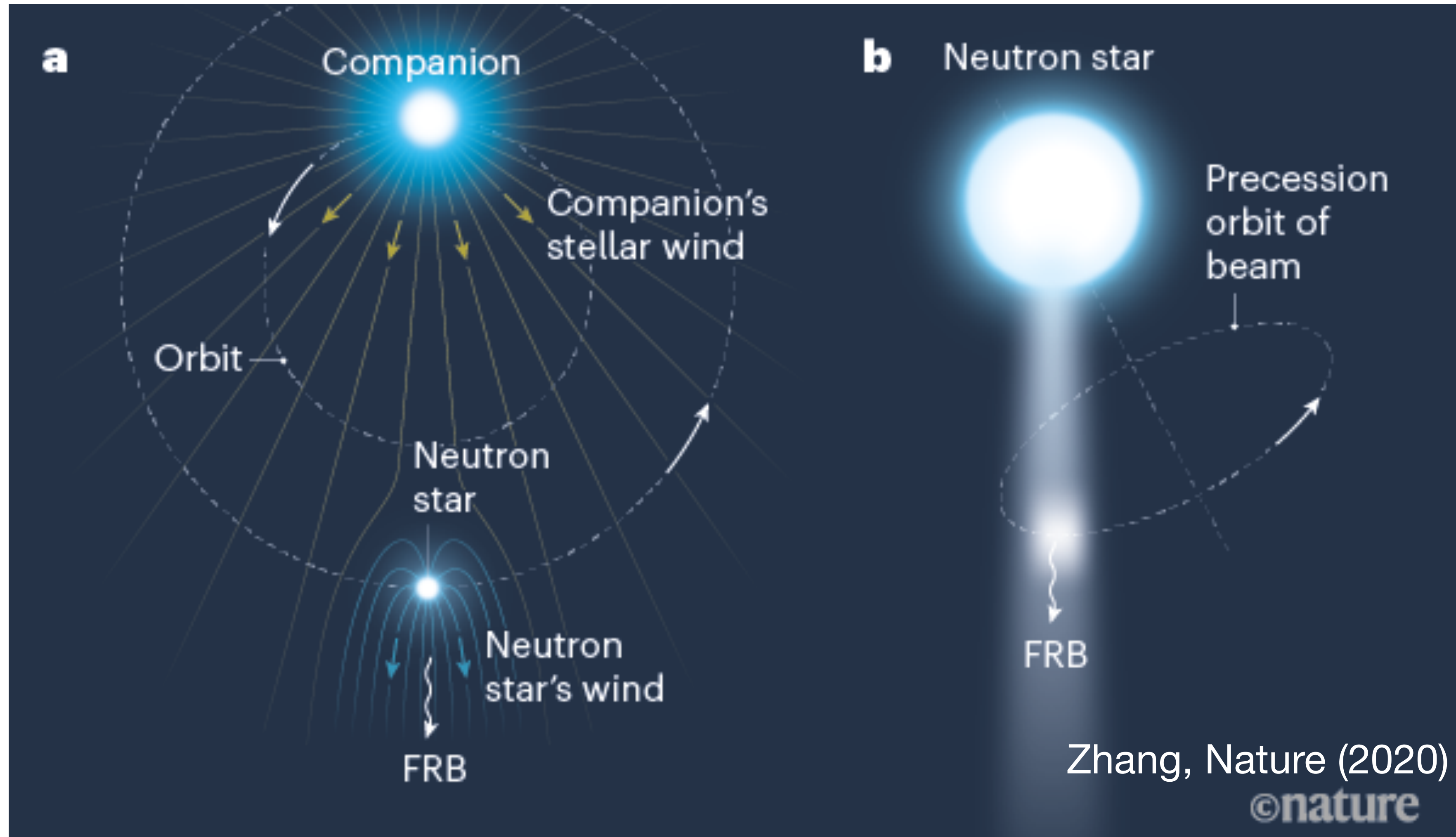
Subjects: Radio, Gamma Ray, Binary, Neutron Star, Pulsar

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The gamma-ray binary, LS I +61 303 contains a rapid rotating B0 Ve star and a compact object with unknown nature. The Five-hundred-meter Aperture Spherical radio Telescope (FAST, Nan et al. 2011, IJMPD, 20, 989; Jiang et al. 2019, SCPMA, 62, 959502) observed it for four times on 2019-11-02, 2020-01-07, 2020-09-02, and 2020-09-03, corresponding to the orbital phases of 0.07, 0.59, 0.58, and 0.62 (Aragona et al. 2009, ApJ, 698, 514). Observations with the 19-beam receiver covering 1.05-1.45 GHz lasted for 2-3 hours on average. We detected a periodic signal (20.8 sigma) with a period of 269.196 ms and a Dispersion Measure (DM) of 241 pc cm⁻³ in the data obtained on 2020-01-07. The slightly detectable acceleration of the signal might be the hint of a binary system. We adopted a DM range of 0-500 pc cm⁻³ but did not find any signal in any other data. As it is reported that a magnetar-like short burst was detected in the direction of LS I +61 303 (Torres et al. 2012, ApJ, 744, 106); therefore, this may indicate a strongly magnetized neutron star in the system. More FAST observations will be proposed to unveil the nature of LS I +61 303, and detailed data analysis will be reported later. FAST is a Chinese national mega-science facility, operated by National Astronomical Observatories, Chinese Academy of Sciences. We appreciate the FAST group for their support and assistance during the observations.

- LS I +61 303 is one of the brightest gamma-ray binary, but the compact object was yet unknown.
- FAST observed this object 4 times.
- They found a radio pulse from one of the observations.
- The period is 269.196 ms with 21 sigma level !
- This system also contains a pulsar?
- A magnetar-like X-ray burst was reported before (Torres+12)

Two scenarios to explain the periodicities

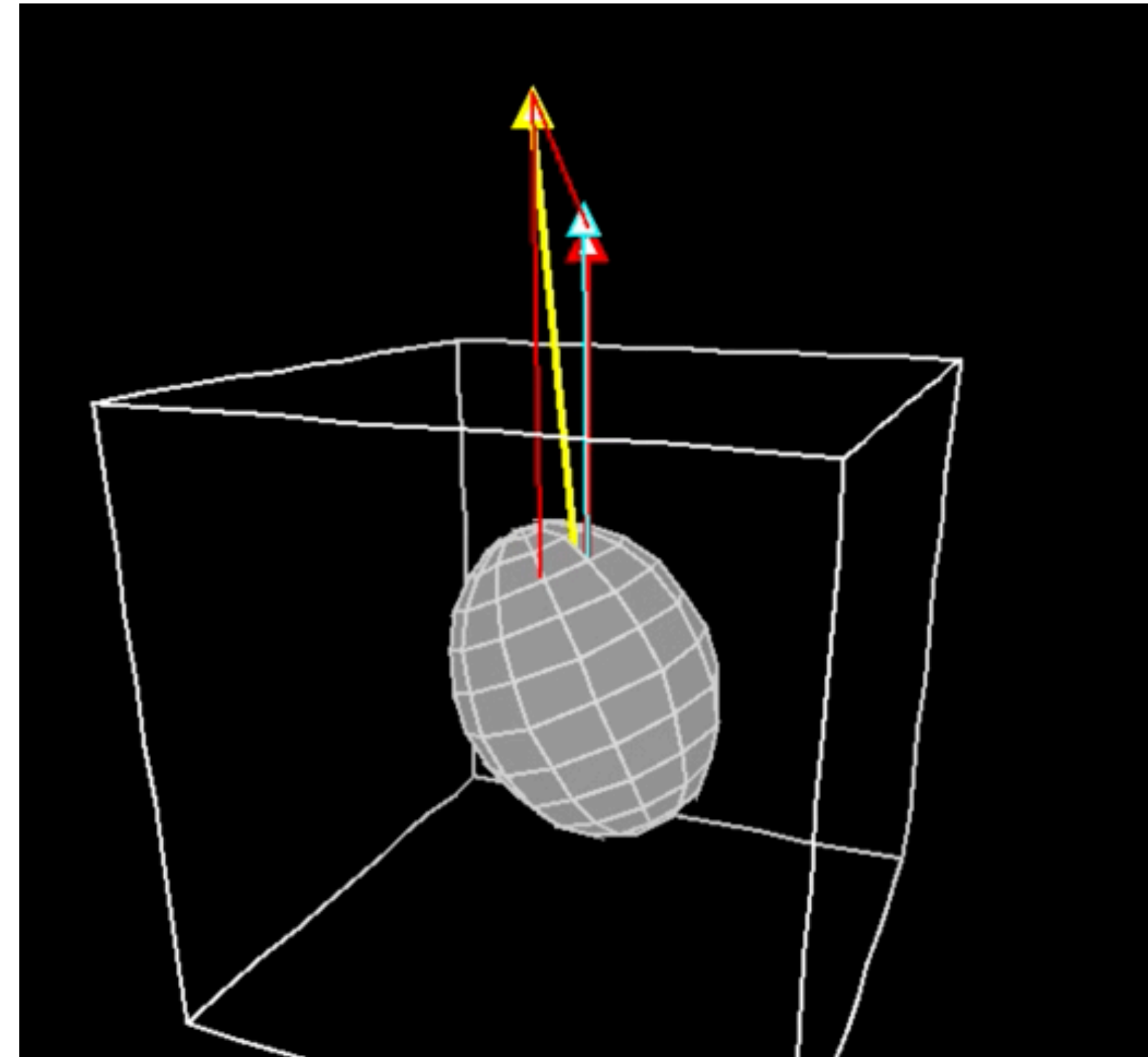
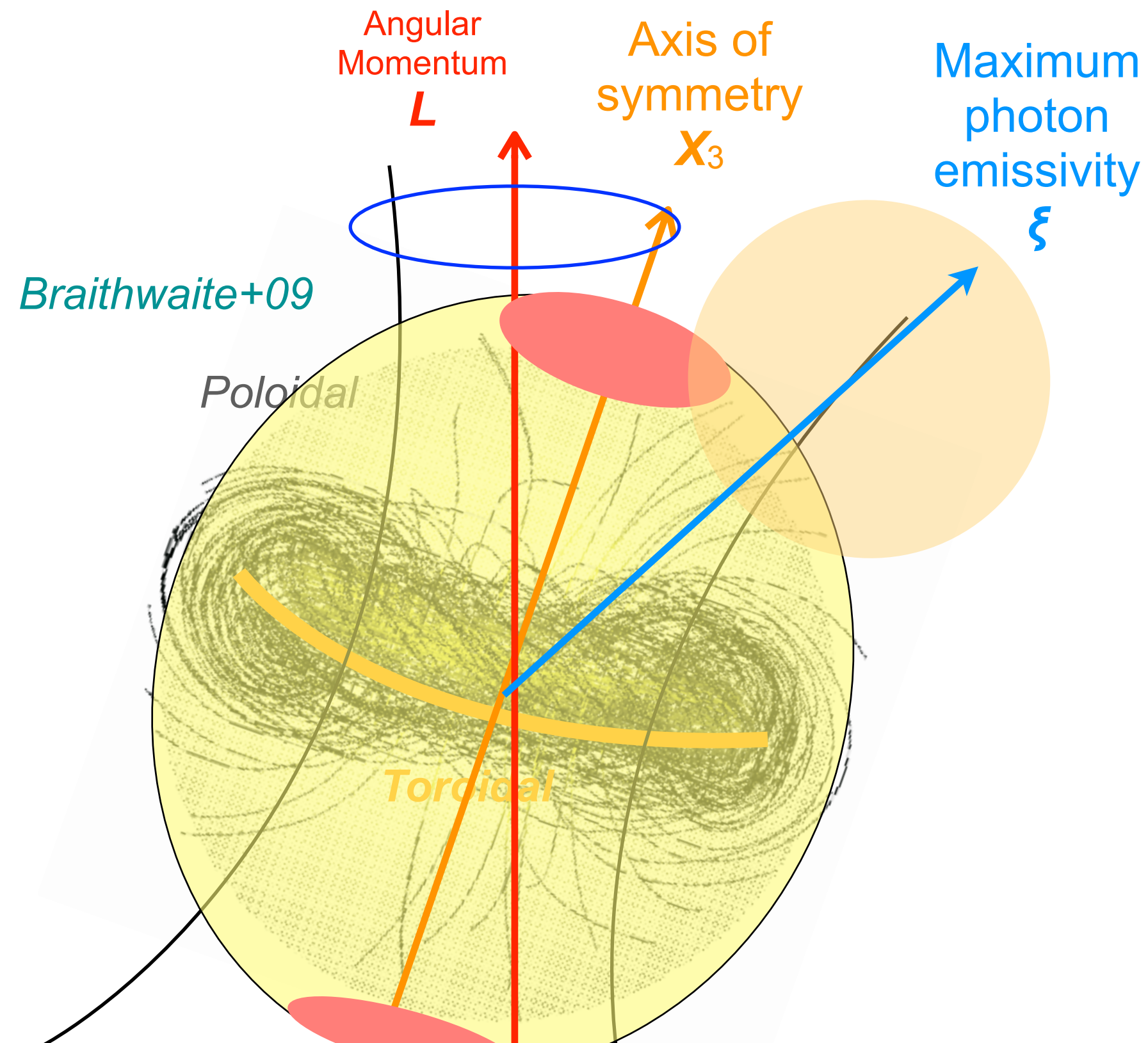


- Binary model (e.g., Ioka & Zhang 2020)
 - NS binary motion (orbital separation)
- Precession model (e.g., Levin et al. 2020)
 - NS deformation (ellipticity)

Toroidal magnetic field induced NS precession?

Huge energy reserver is needed inside the magnetars

⇒ **Strong toroidal Field inside NSs?** (can not be measured by $P-P_{\text{dot}}$)



Toroidal B-field ⇒ Prolate shape

$$\epsilon = \frac{\Delta I}{I} \sim 10^{-4} \left(\frac{B_t}{10^{16} \text{ G}} \right)^2$$

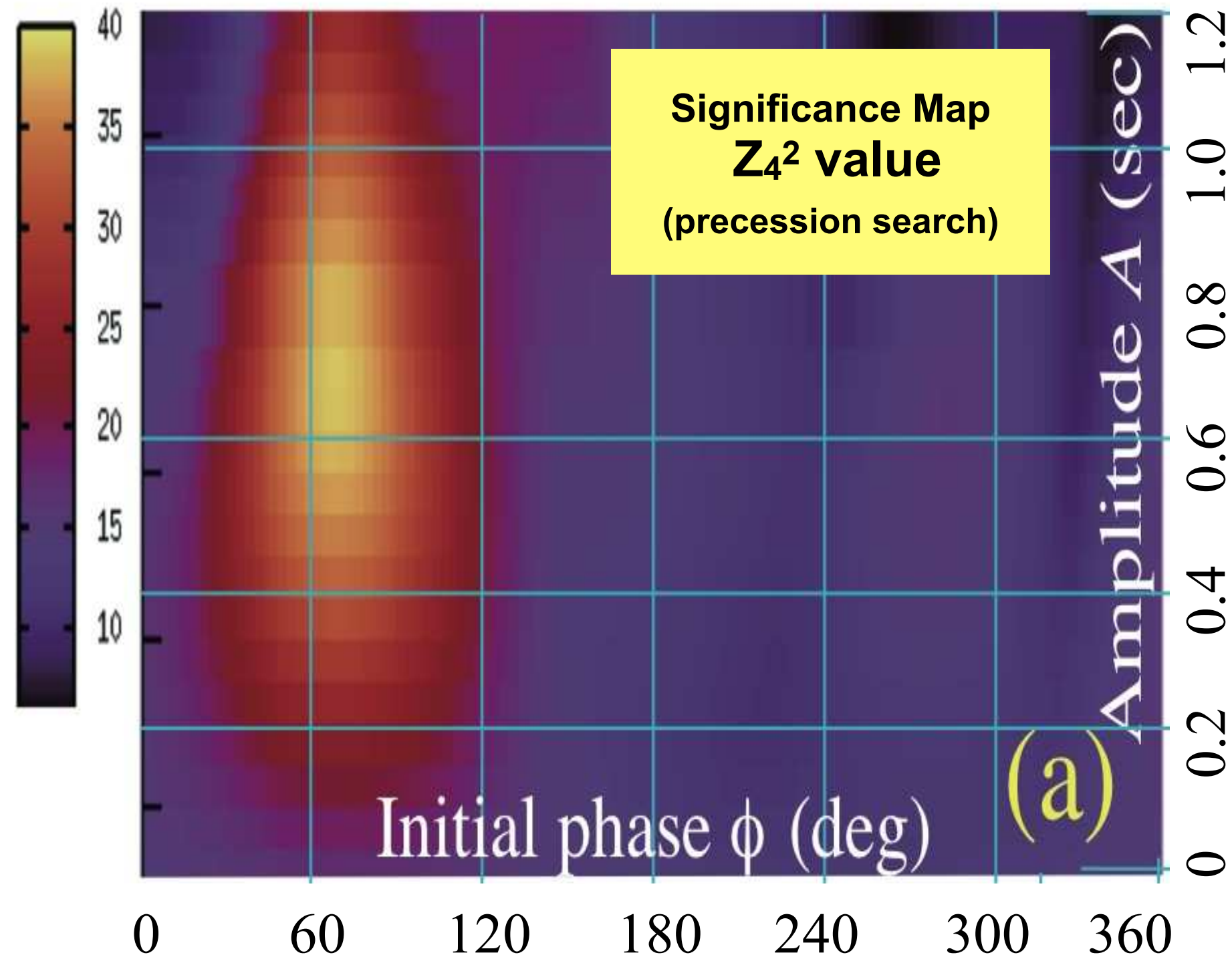
$X_3 \neq \xi$

$$Q = \frac{P_{\text{spin}}}{\epsilon}$$

(see., e.g., Landau & Lifshitz textbook)

Evidence for NS precession?

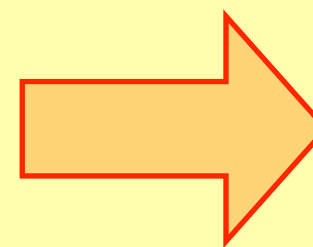
Prototypical AXP 4U 0142+61 ($P=8.69$ s, Poloidal field $B_d \sim 1.3 \times 10^{14}$ G)



Hard X-ray shows a sinusoidal, $T=1.5$ hour, phase modulation (amplitude 0.7 s)

Makishima, TE et al., PRL, 2014

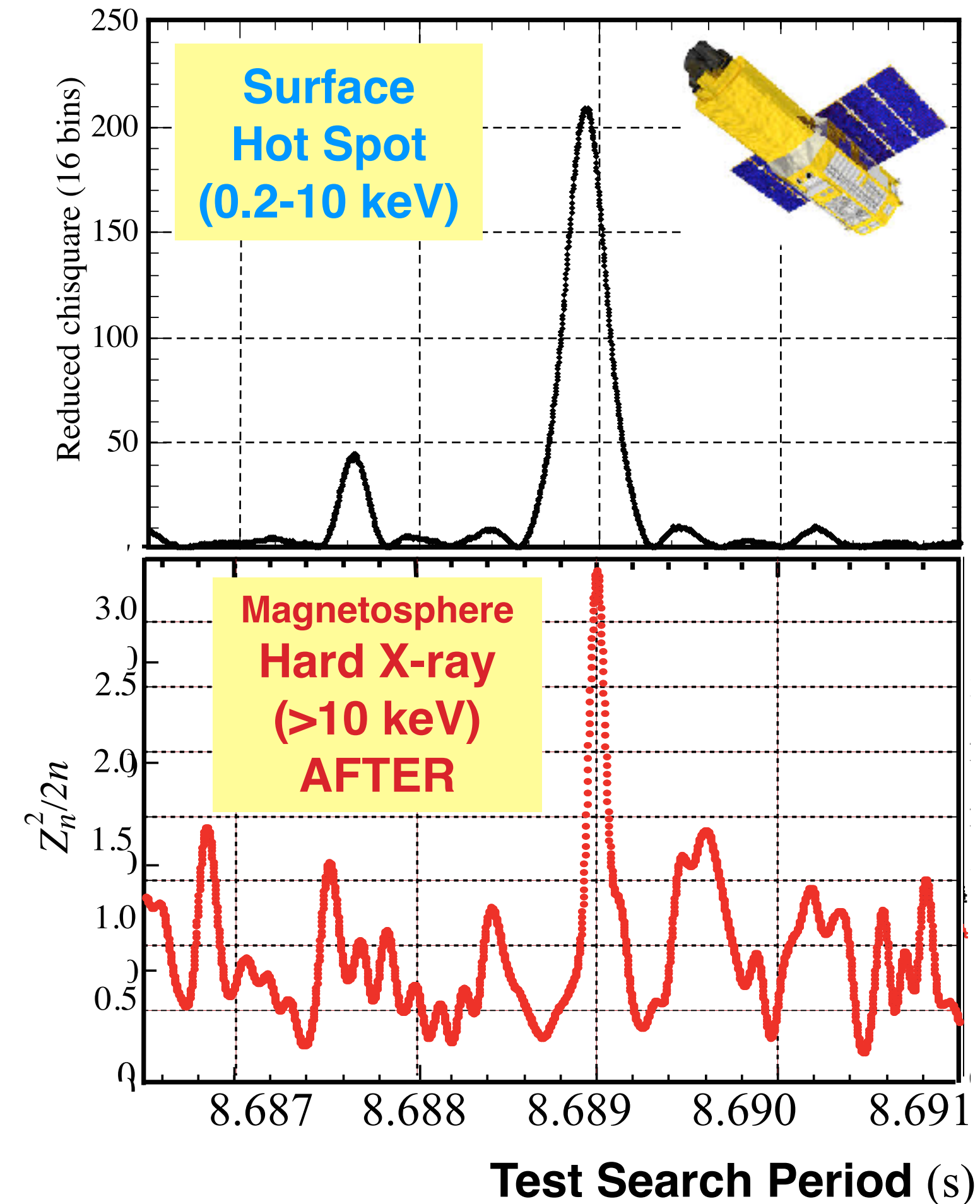
$$\epsilon \sim \frac{8.69 \text{ s}}{1.5 \text{ h}} \sim 1.6 \times 10^{-4}$$



Toroidal B -field $B_t \sim 10^{16}$ G

$$\epsilon \sim 10^{-4} (B/10^{16} \text{ G})^2$$

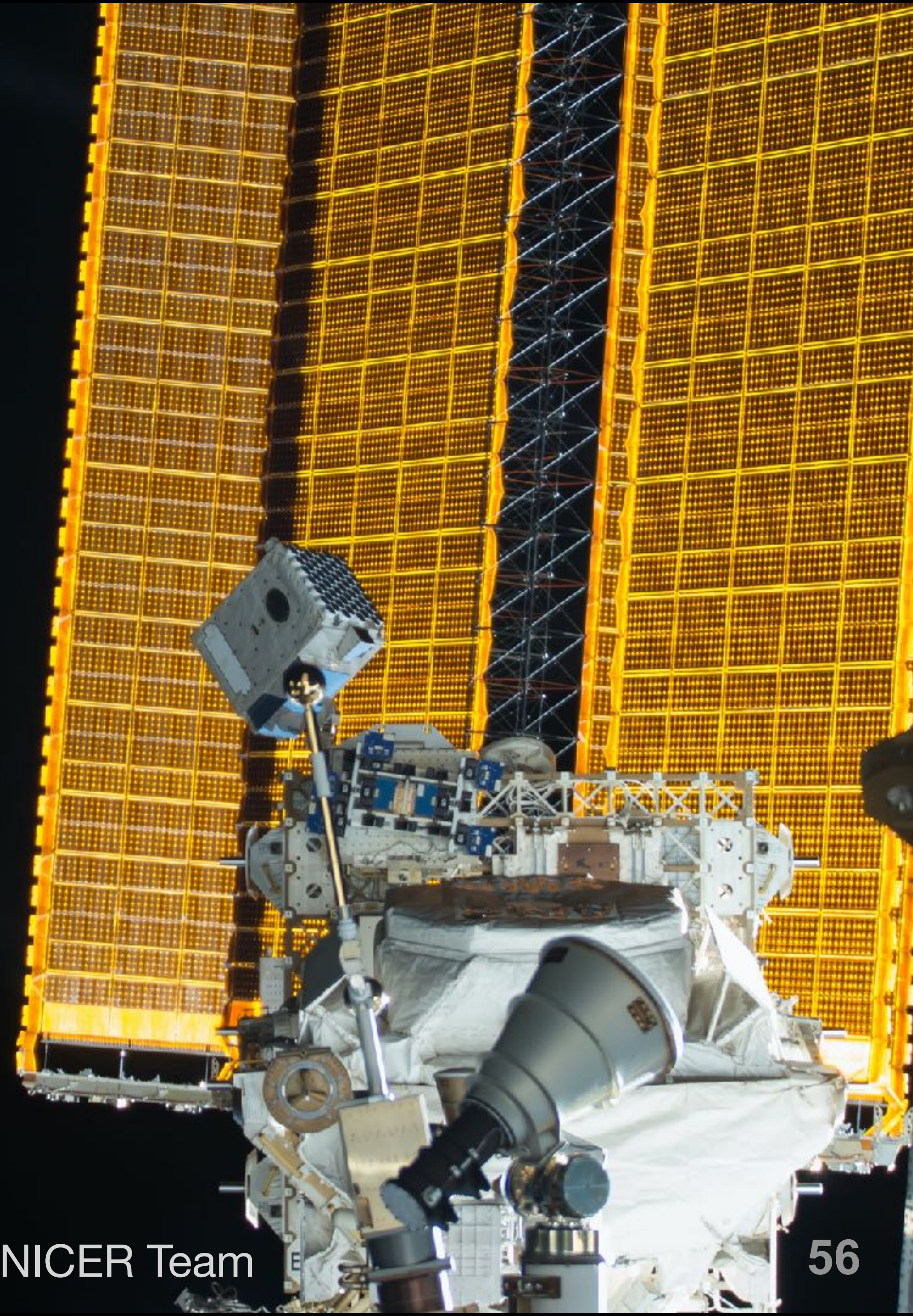
Significance of Pulsation



Confirmation with NuSTAR (Makishima+2019), Similar signature was detected from 1E 1547.0-5408 (Makishima+2020)

- The NICER M&M team is happy to collaborate with radio observatories for transient magnetars and galactic giant radio sources. Please let us know if you are interested in future collaboration.
- Today: Our reserved ToO was accepted for transient magnetars during the NICER Cycle 3.

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Summary

1. NICER Magnetar and Magnetosphere (M&M) working group has been coordinating multi-wavelength (especially X-rays and radio) follow-up campaigns of transient magnetars.
 - New magnetar Swift J1818.0-1607
 - Single X-ray pulse detection from XTE J1810-197
 - X-ray burst properties of the Galactic FRB source SGR 1935+2154
2. Using the NICER and radio observatories, we discovered X-ray enhancement coincided with giant radio pulses from the Crab pulsar. The total emitted energy from a GRP is revealed to be tens to hundreds of times brighter than previously thought. The FRB-GRP model is disfavored.
3. There is no consensus whether magnetars are in binary systems. We reported a pulsation signature from LS 5039, which could be interpreted as a magnetar in the gamma-ray binary systems. There is also evidence for free precession from isolated magnetars.

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