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TDE and other variability in Blazars

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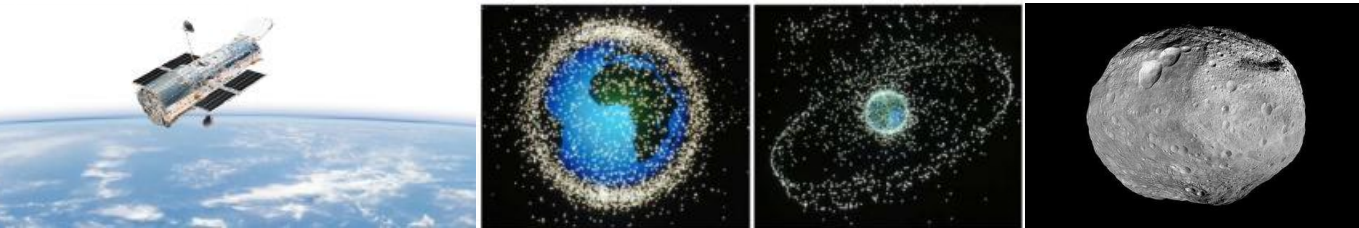
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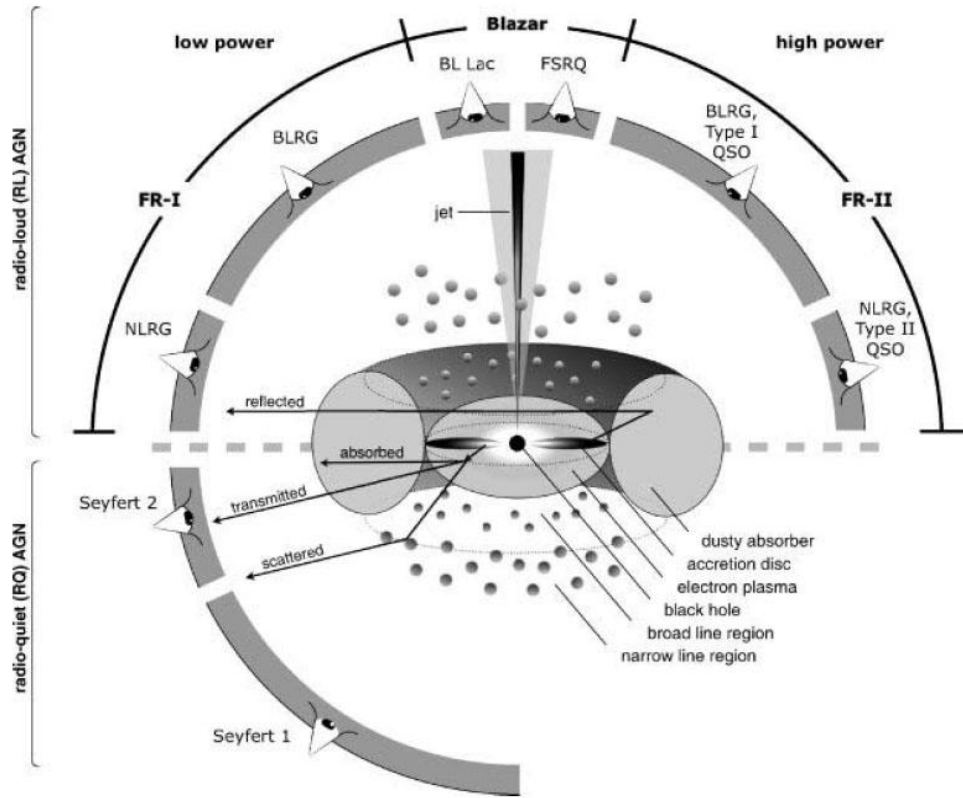
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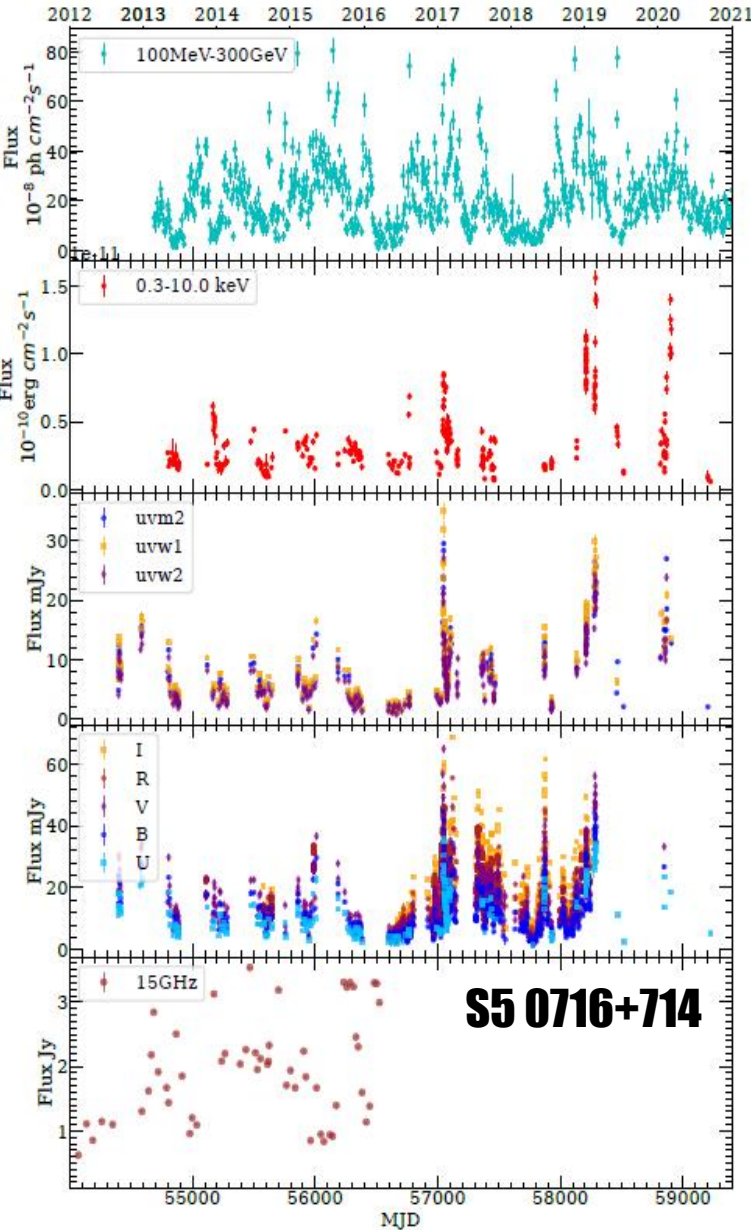
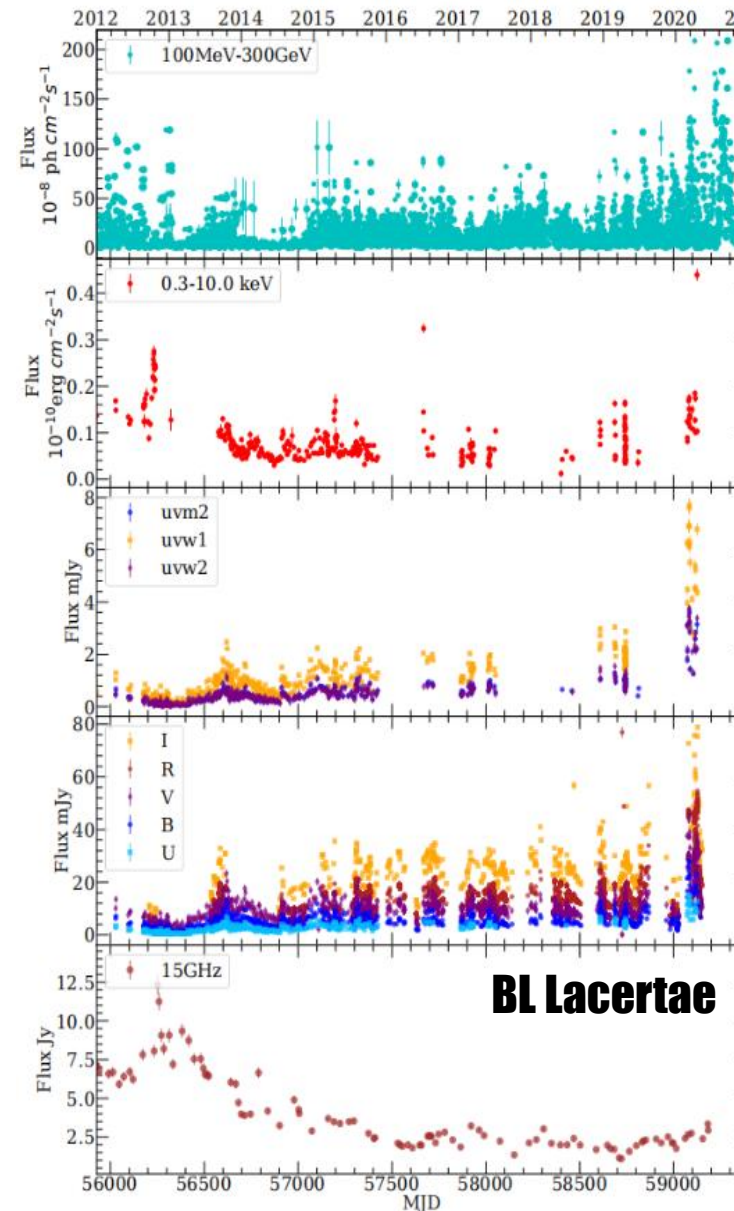
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Multiband variability of Blazar



- What is physical source of the variability?
- Is there any TDE related variability?





Statistical analysis for blazar flares



The light curves could be decomposed into individual flares using fitting methods.

Valtaoja (1999)

$$\Delta S(t) = \begin{cases} \Delta S_{\max} e^{(t-t_{\max})/\tau}, & t < t_{\max} \\ \Delta S_{\max} e^{(t_{\max}-t)/1.3\tau}, & t > t_{\max} \end{cases}$$

Abdo (2010)

$$F(t) = F_c + F_0 \frac{1}{e^{(t_0-t)/T_r} + e^{(t-t_0)/T_d}}$$

2012-AJ-749:191

Chatterjee (2012)

$$f(t) = f_0 + f_{\max} \times \exp[(t - t_0)/T_r], t < t_0$$
$$= f_0 + f_{\max} \times \exp[-(t - t_0)/T_d], t > t_0$$

- Flare duration time
- Skewness parameter

$$T \simeq 2(T_r + T_d)$$

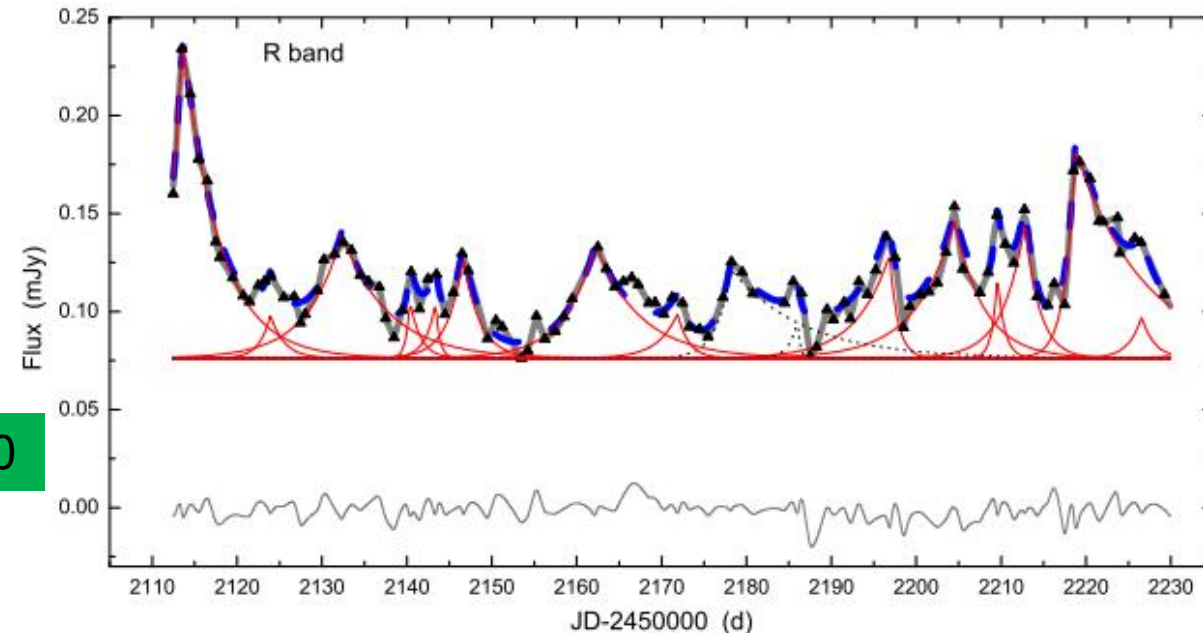
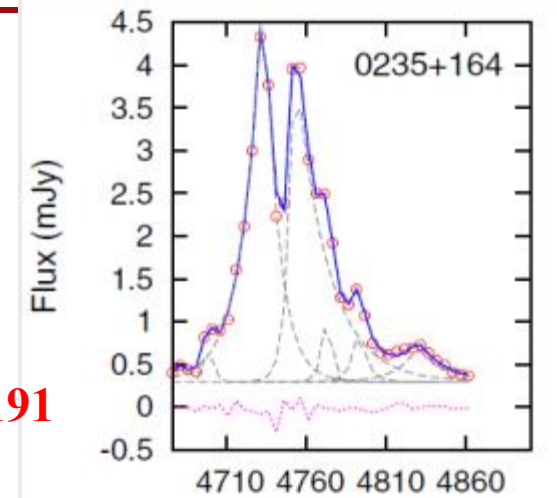
$$\xi = \frac{T_d - T_r}{T_d + T_r}$$

- Amplitude of flare
- Energy output

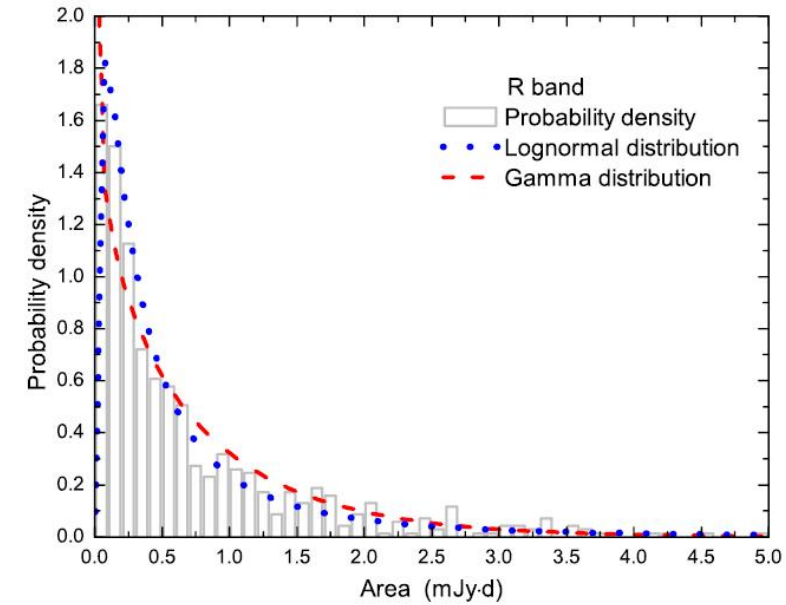
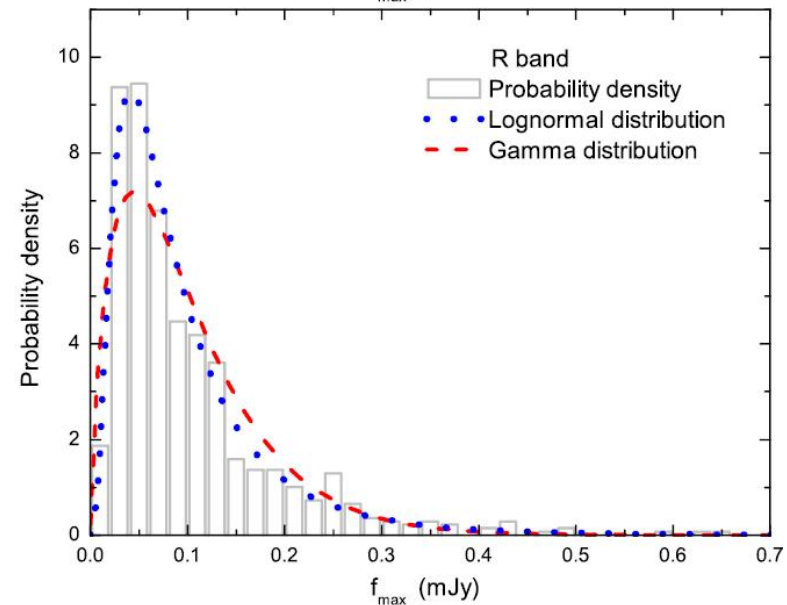
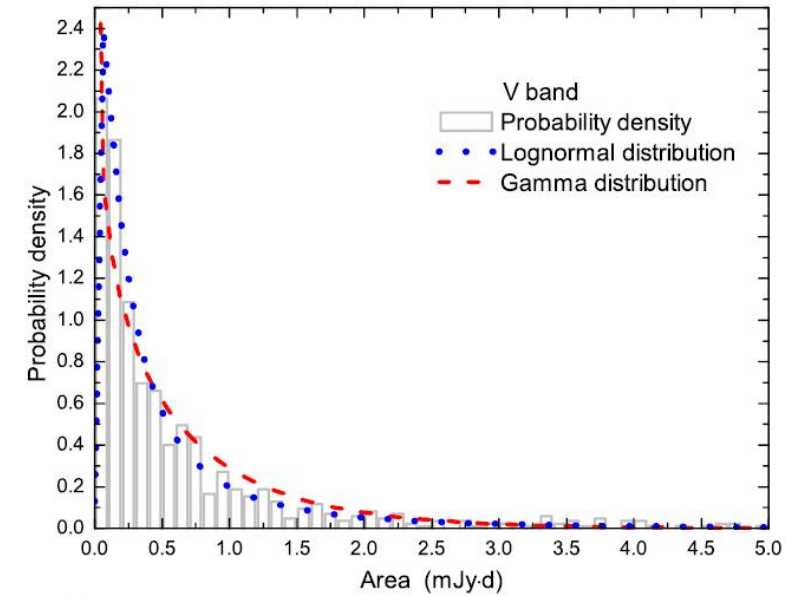
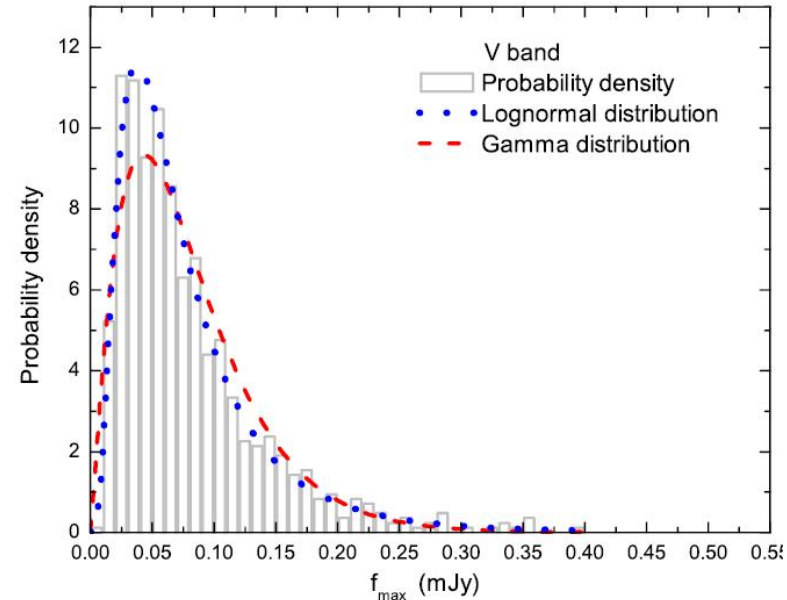
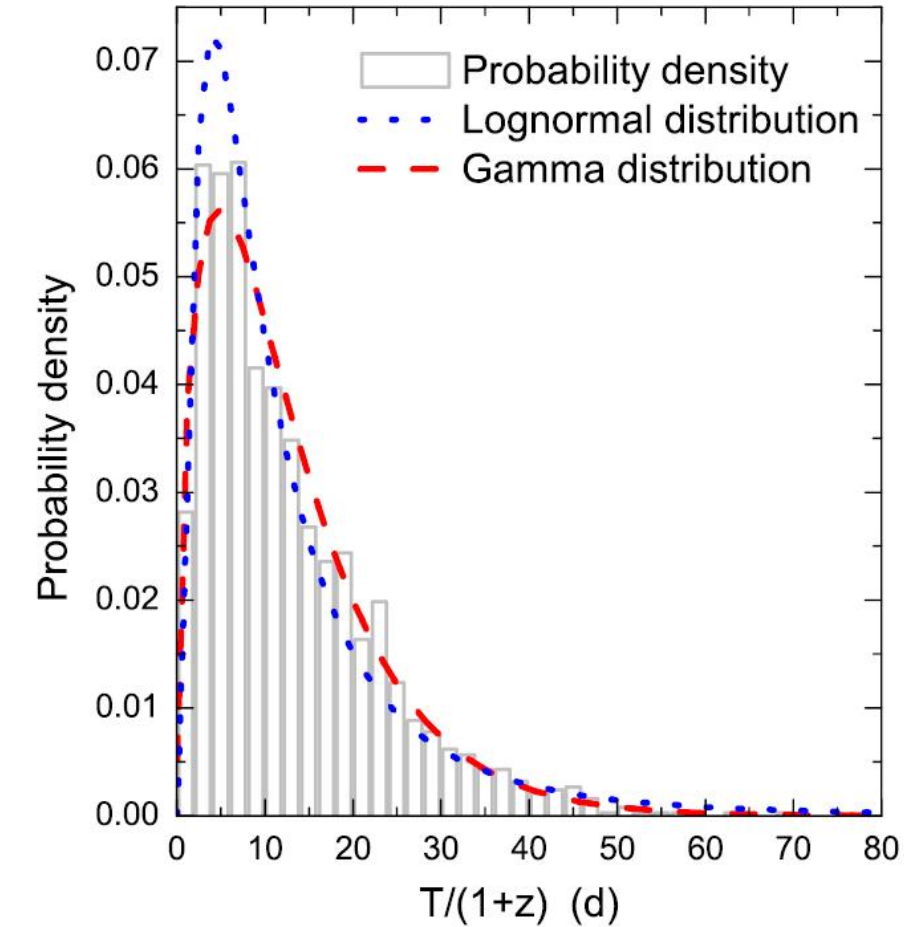
$$f_{\max}$$

Guo, Hu et al. 2016, MNRAS 460, 1790

$$Area = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(t) - f_0 dt = f_{\max}(t_r + t_d)$$



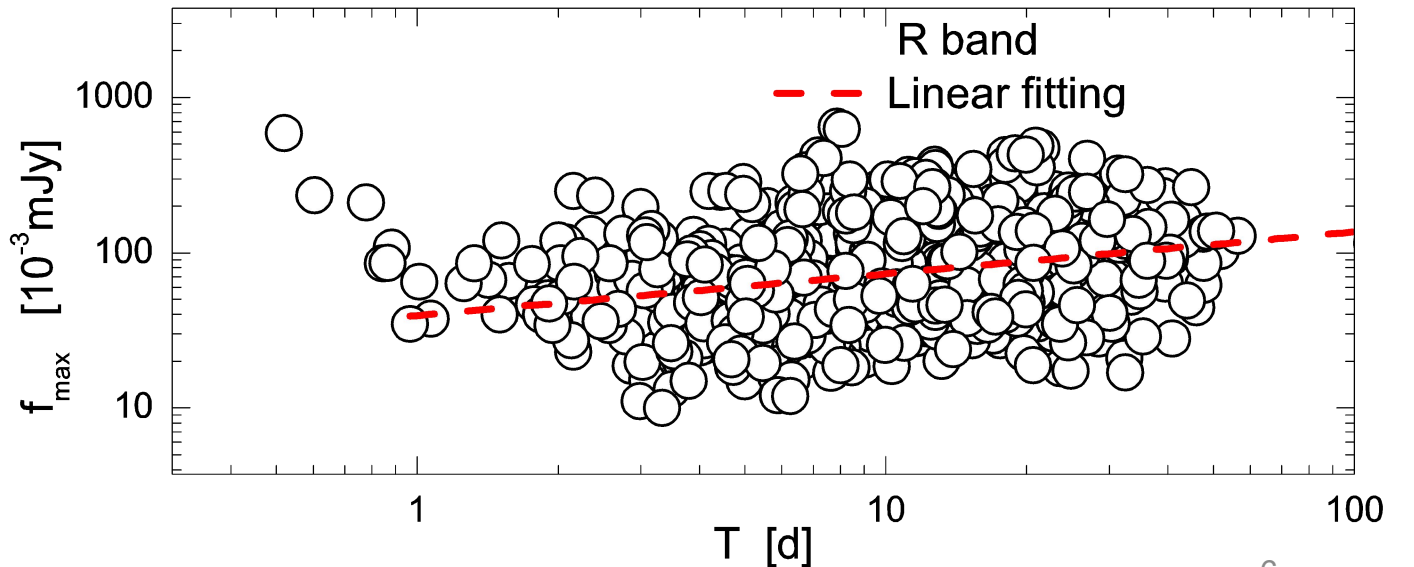
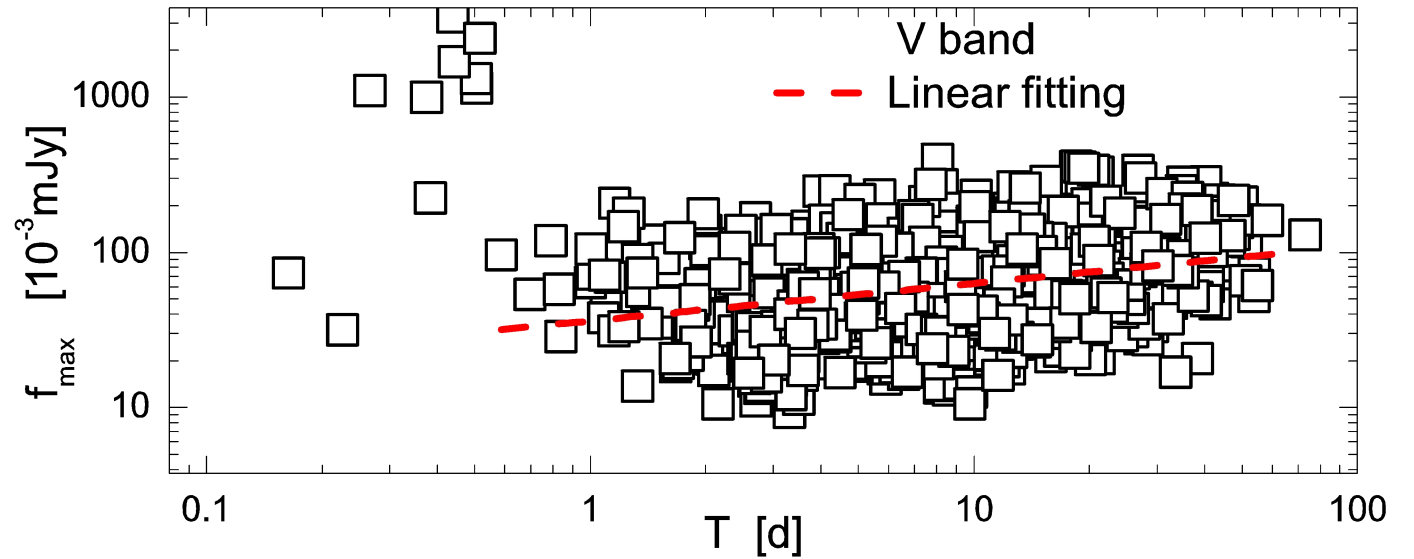
Optical Flares properties of BL Lac



Statistical analysis for blazar flares



Seems there are at least two mechanisms of flares



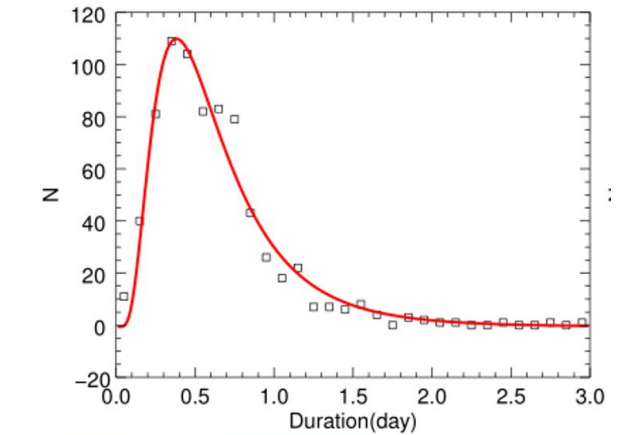
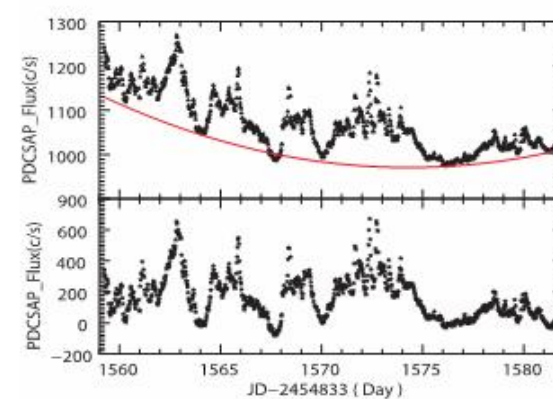
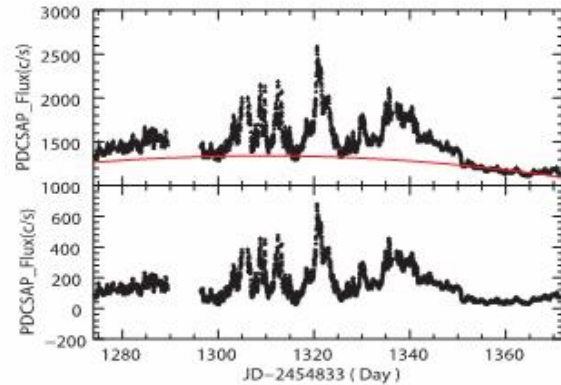
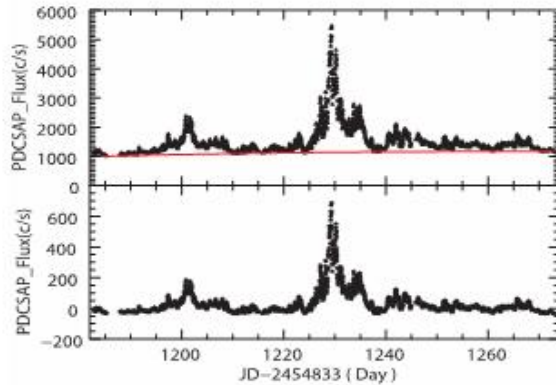
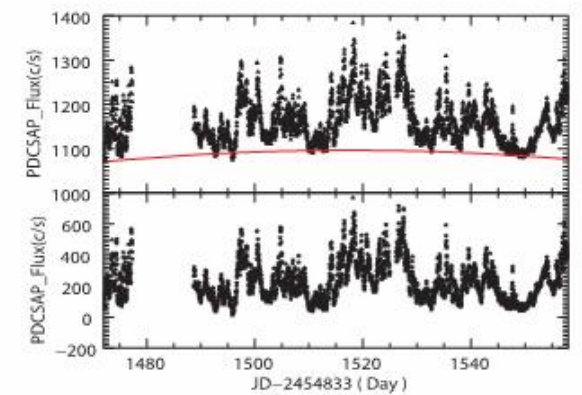
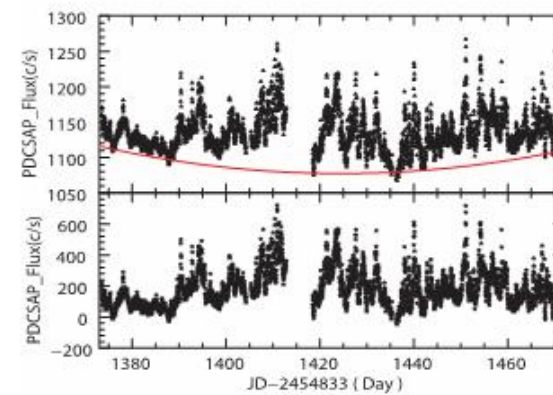
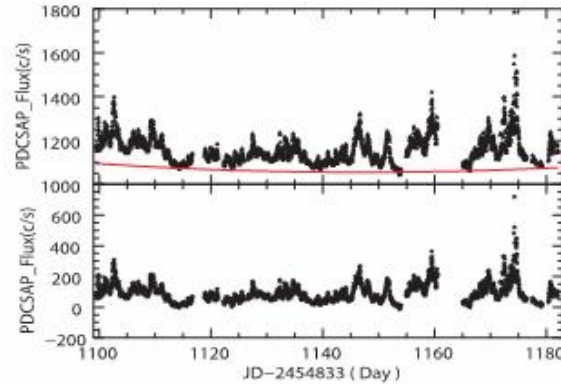
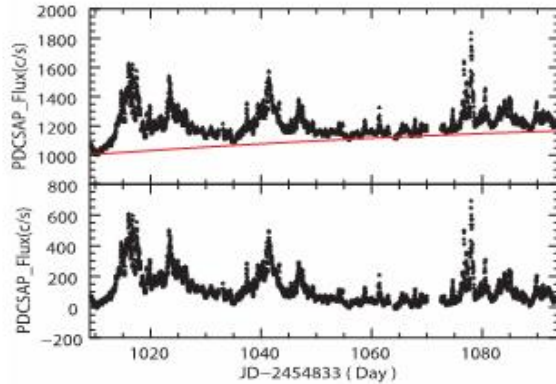
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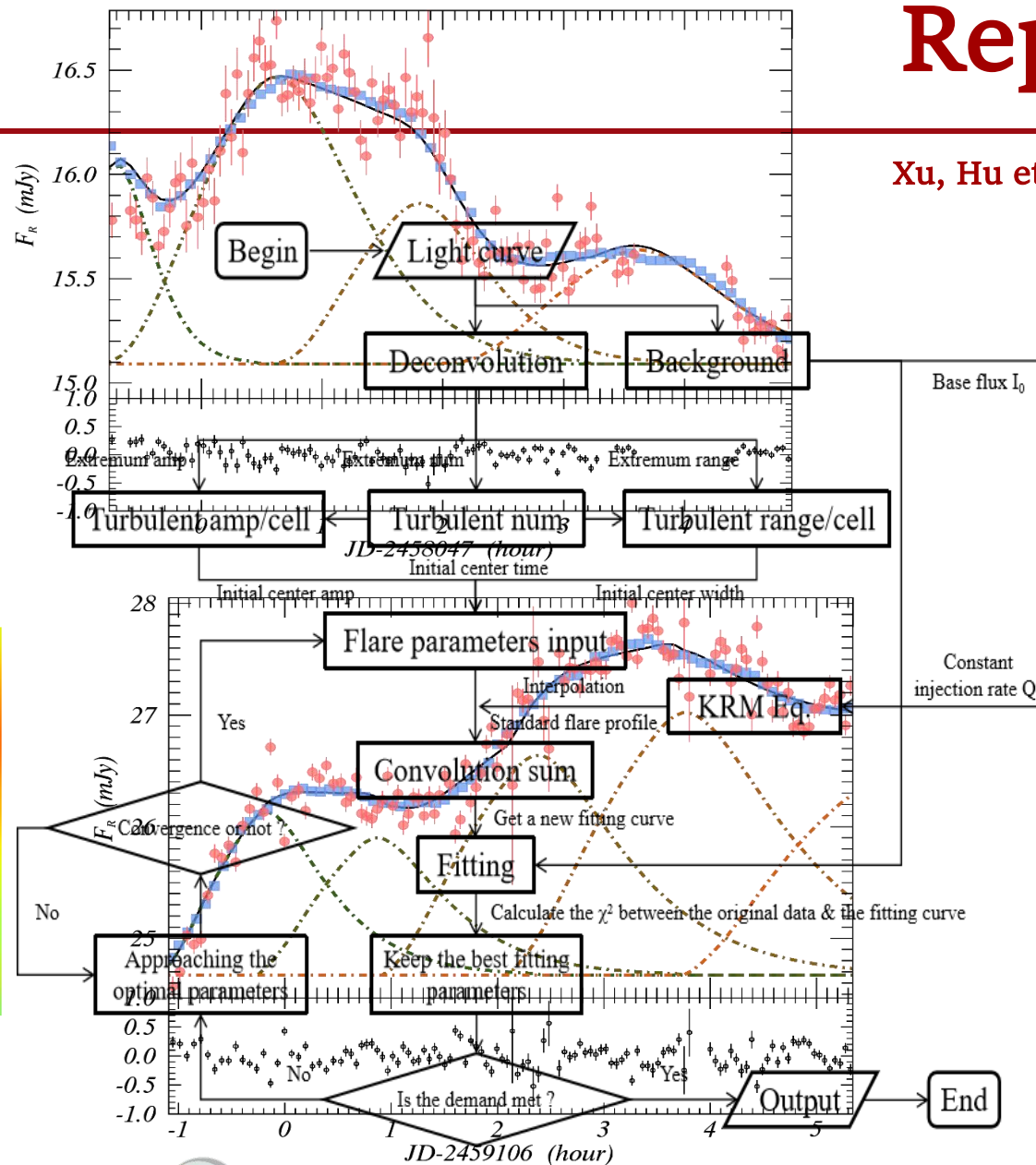
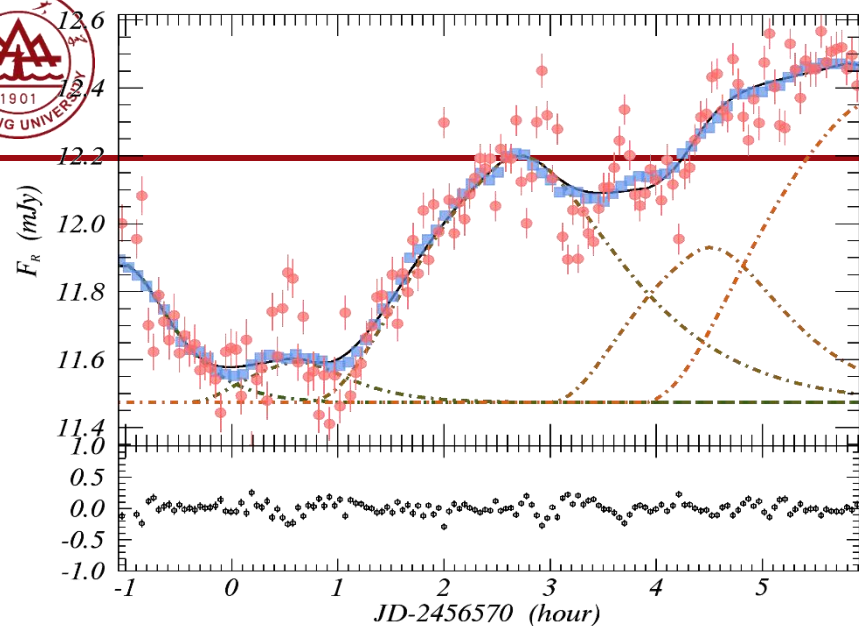


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Ending Date	04-Jan-2012	28-Mar-2012	27-Jun-2012	03-Oct-2012	11-Jan-2013	08-Apr-2013	11-May-2013

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By Kepler

Li, Hu et al. 2018, MNRAS 478, 172

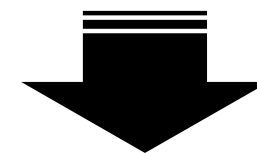




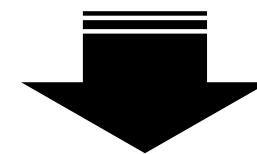
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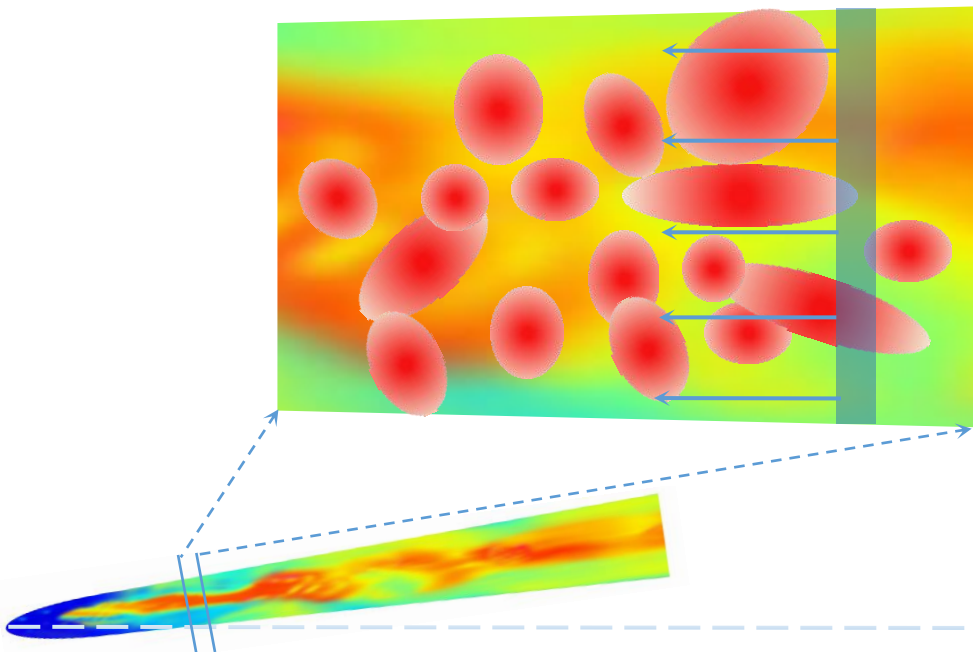
Variability Light Curve



Flare Parameters



Turbulence Parameters



Shock Acceleration

$\gamma \rightarrow \gamma_{max}$

$\gamma = \gamma_0$

$$\frac{\partial N}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial \gamma} \left[\left(\frac{\gamma}{t_{acc}} - \beta_s \gamma^2 \right) N \right] + \frac{N}{t_{esc}} = Q \delta(\gamma - \gamma_0)$$

$$\beta_s = \frac{4}{3} \frac{\sigma_T}{m_e c} \left(\frac{B^2}{2\mu_0} \right)$$

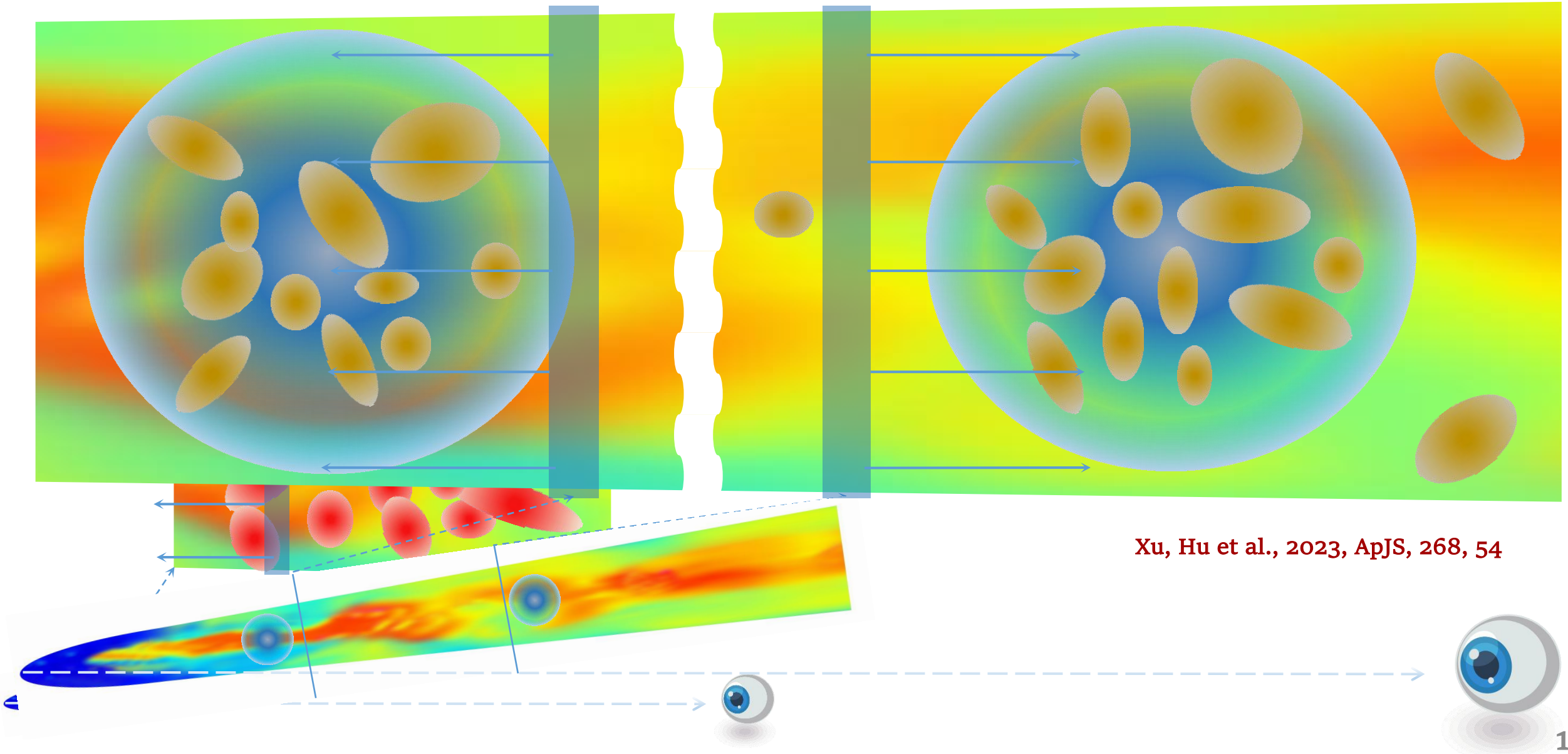
$$N(\gamma, t) = a \frac{1}{\gamma^2} \left(\frac{1}{\gamma} - \frac{1}{\gamma_{max}} \right)^{(t_{acc} - t_{esc})/t_{esc}} \times \Theta(\gamma - \gamma_0) \Theta(\gamma_1(t) - \gamma)$$

$$a = Q_0 t_{acc} \gamma_0^{t_{acc}/t_{esc}} \left(1 - \frac{\gamma_0}{\gamma_{max}} \right)^{-t_{acc}/t_{esc}}$$

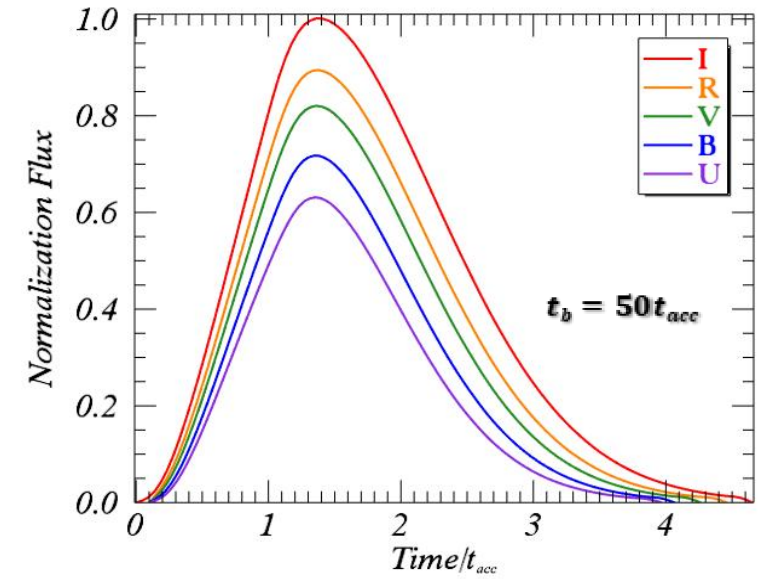
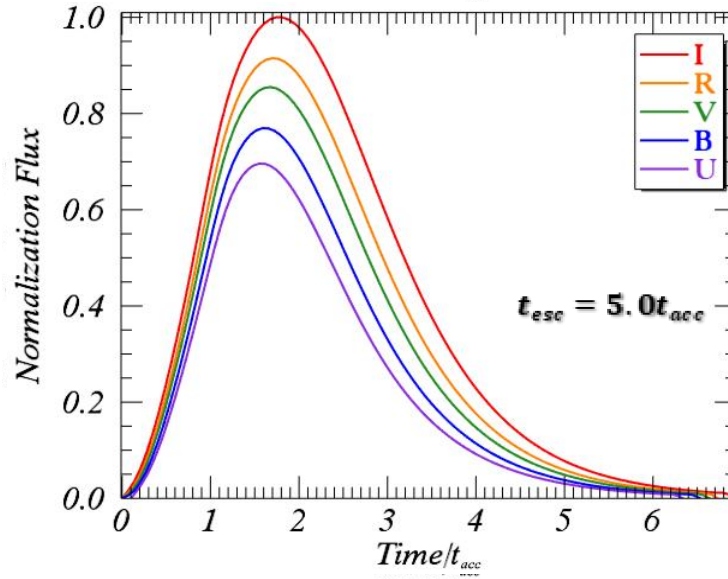
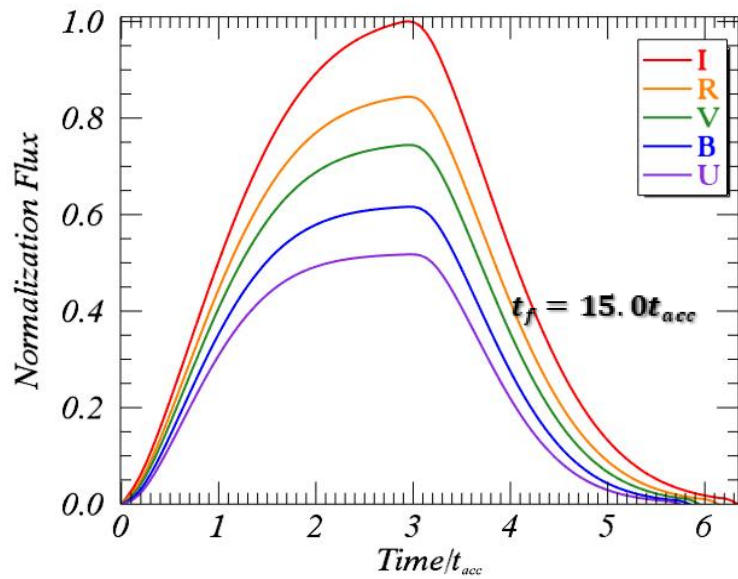
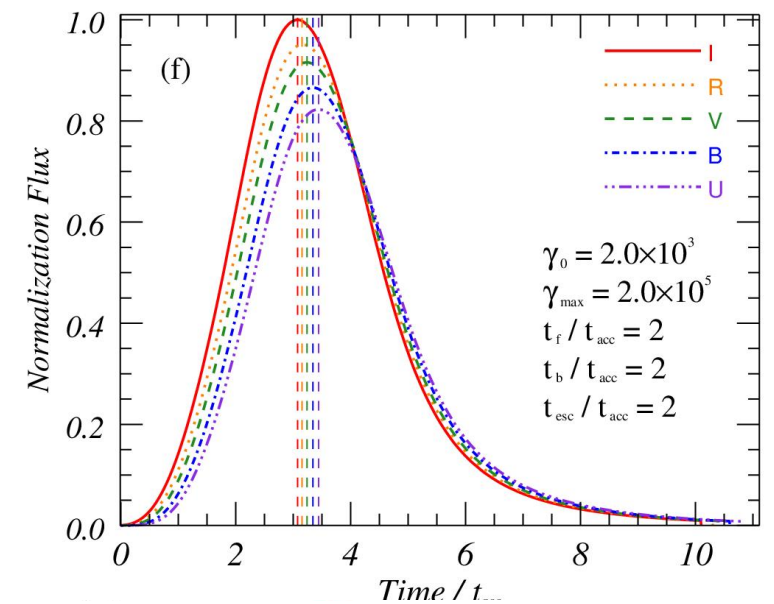
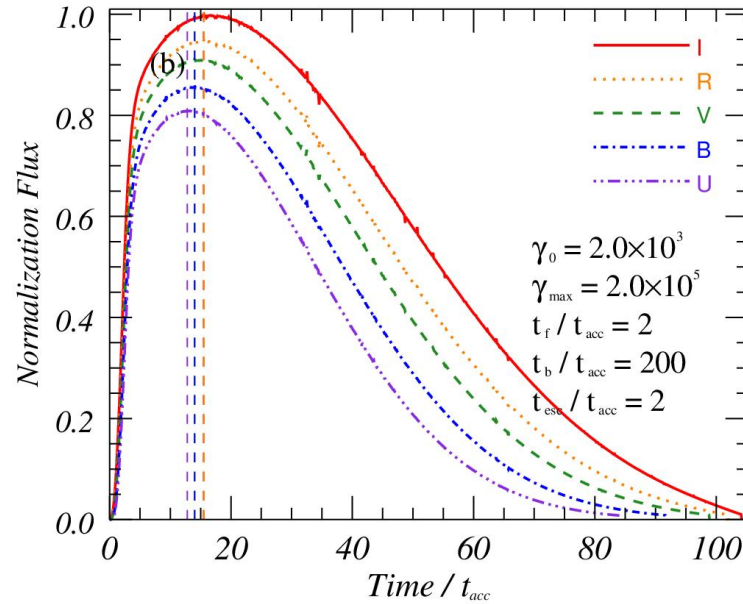
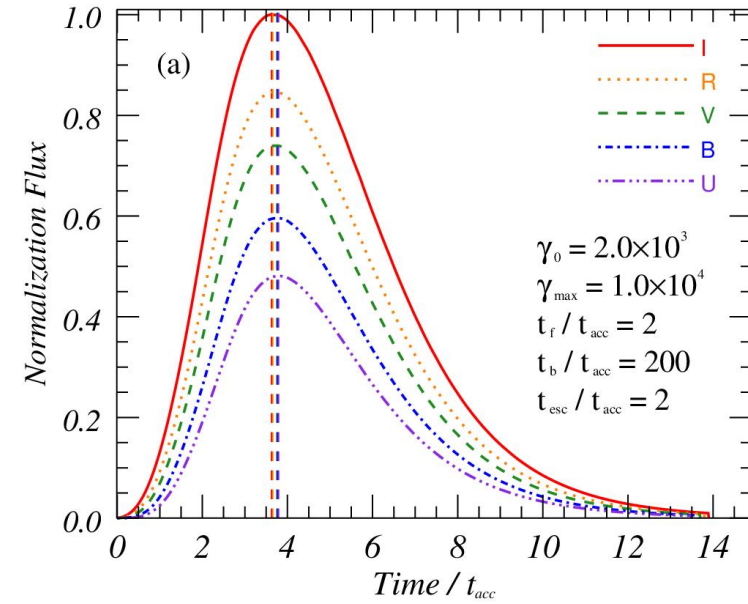
$$\gamma_1(t) = \left(\frac{1}{\gamma_{max}} + \left[\frac{1}{\gamma_0} - \frac{1}{\gamma_{max}} \right] e^{-t/t_{acc}} \right)^{-1}$$

$x_{shock} = 0$

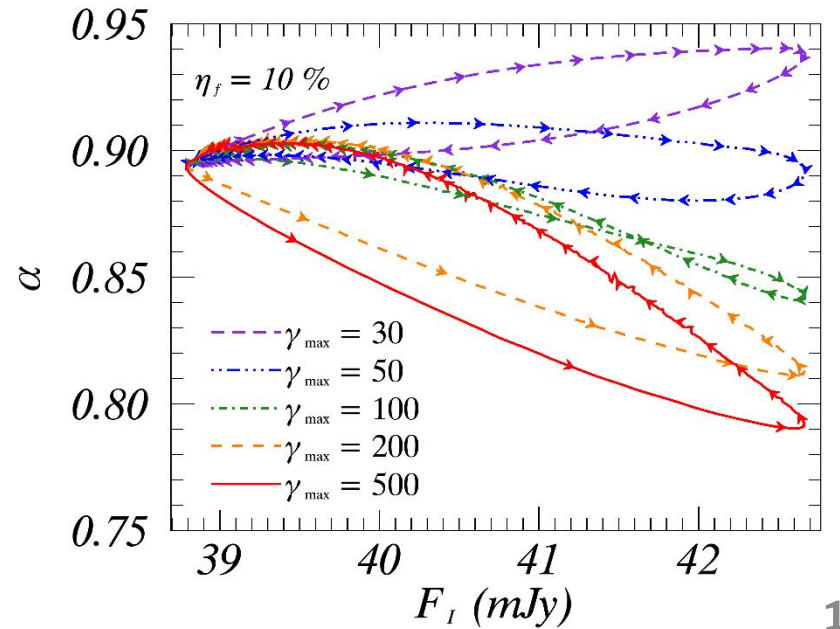
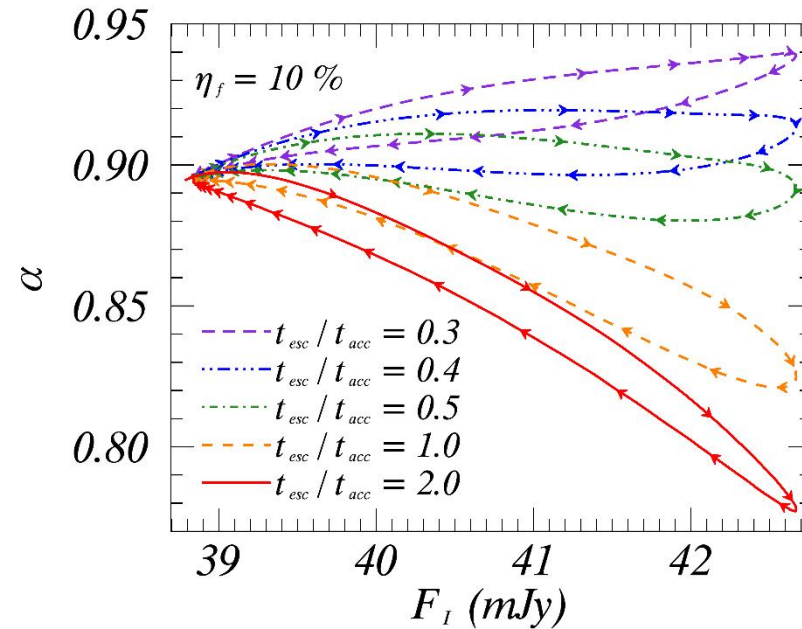
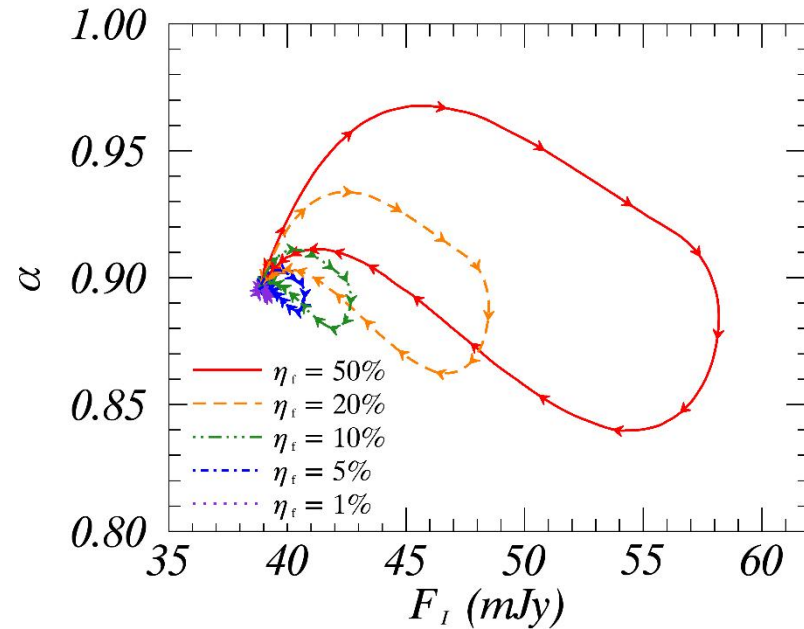
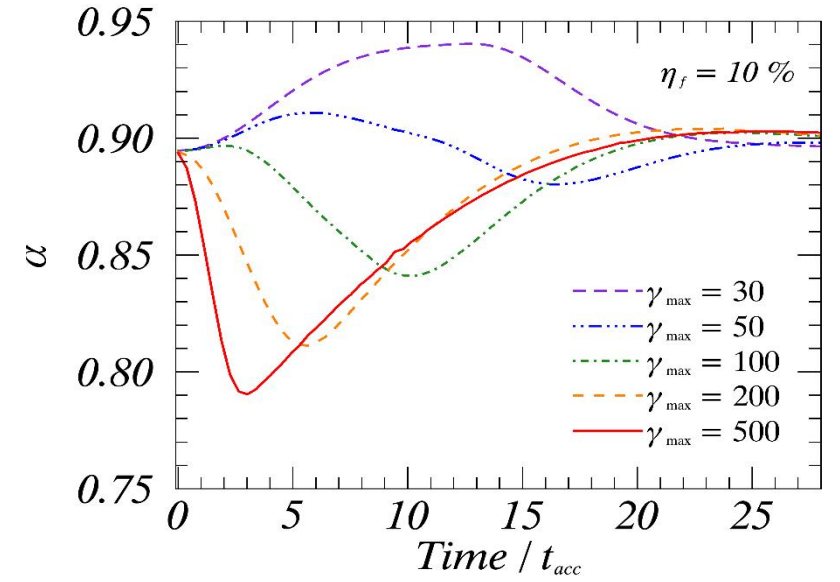
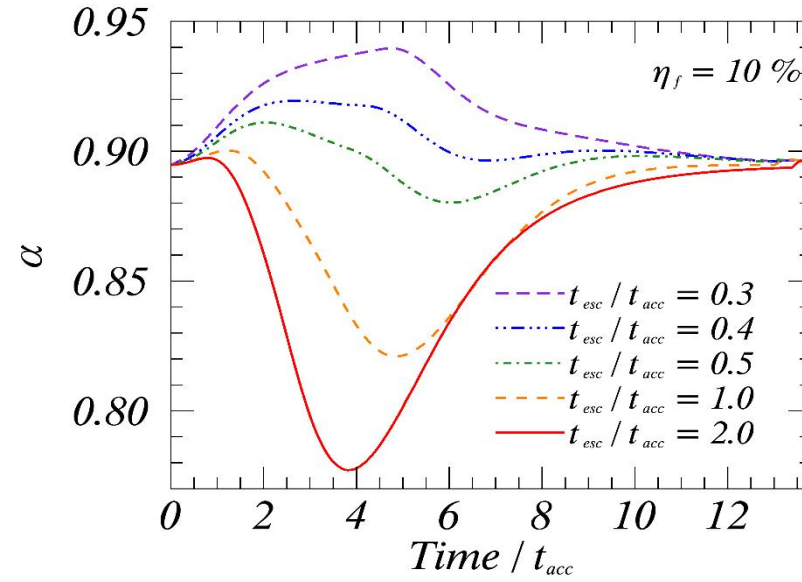
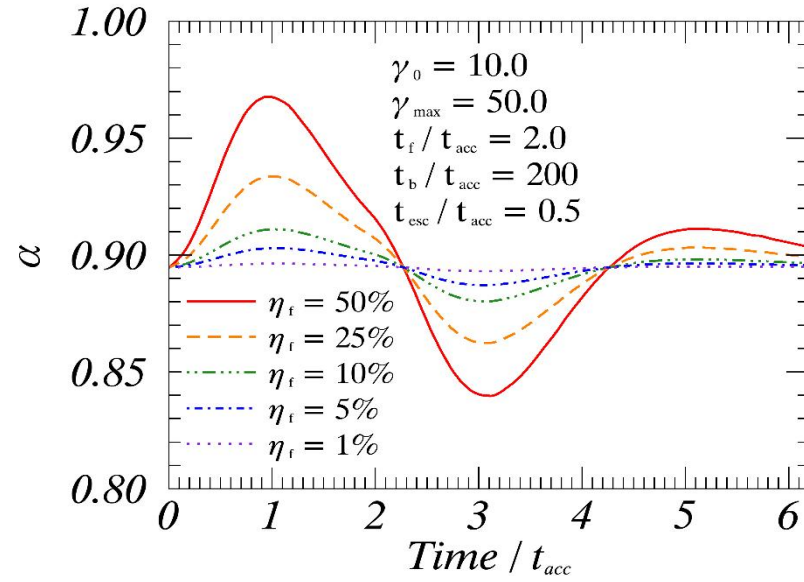
Multi-zone Model



Flare Simulation



HTD/HID Evolution

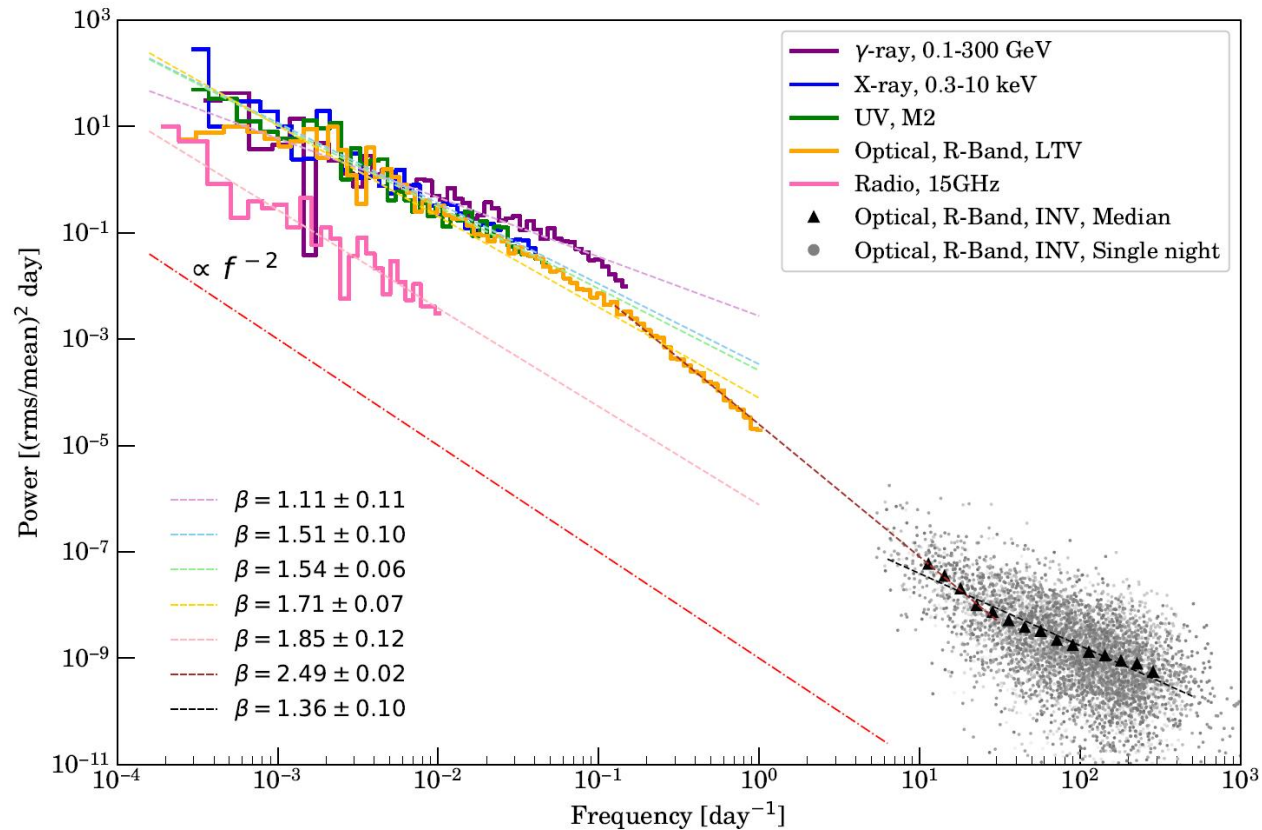
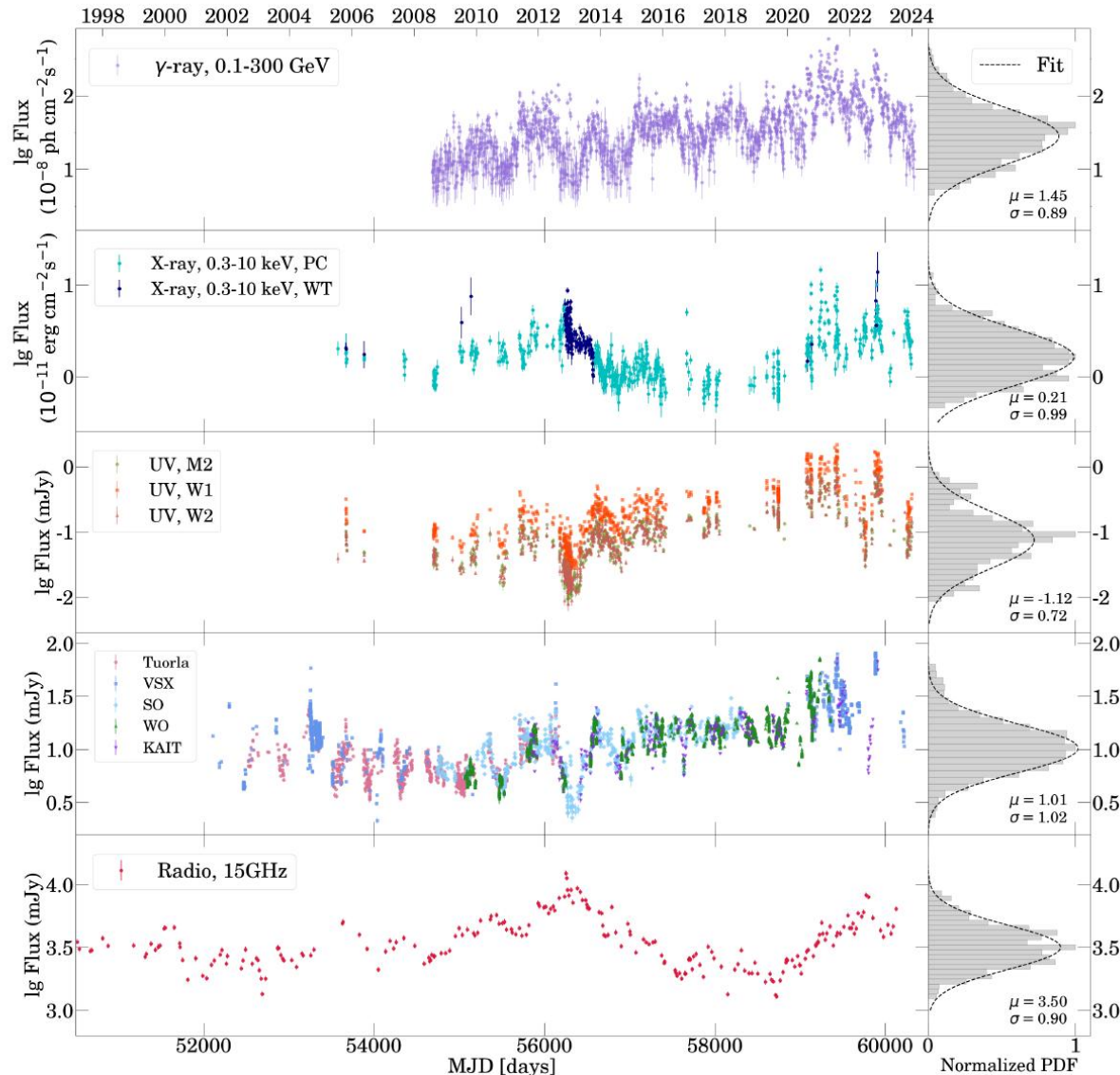


Variability \rightarrow Power Spectrum



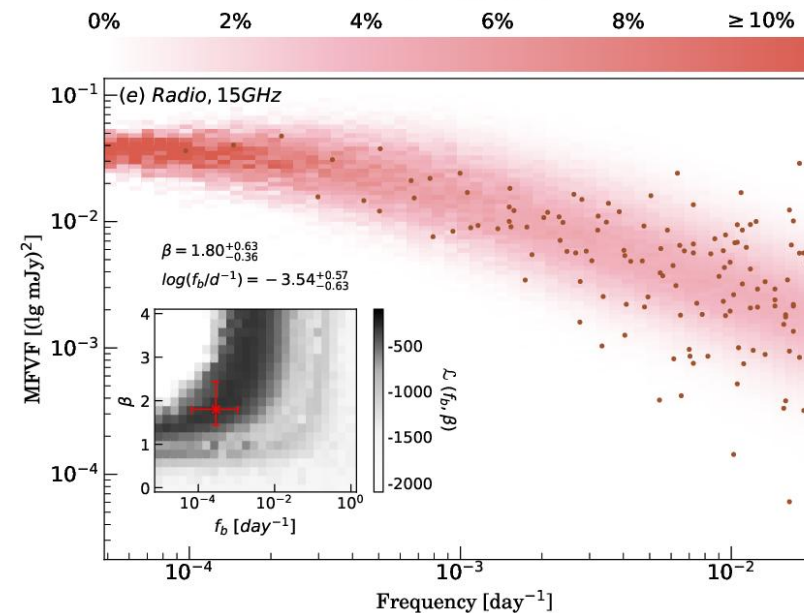
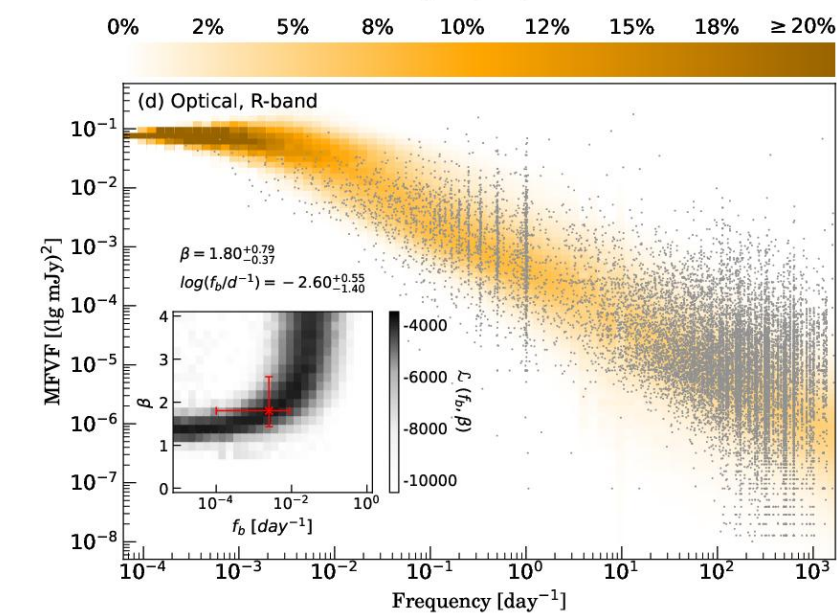
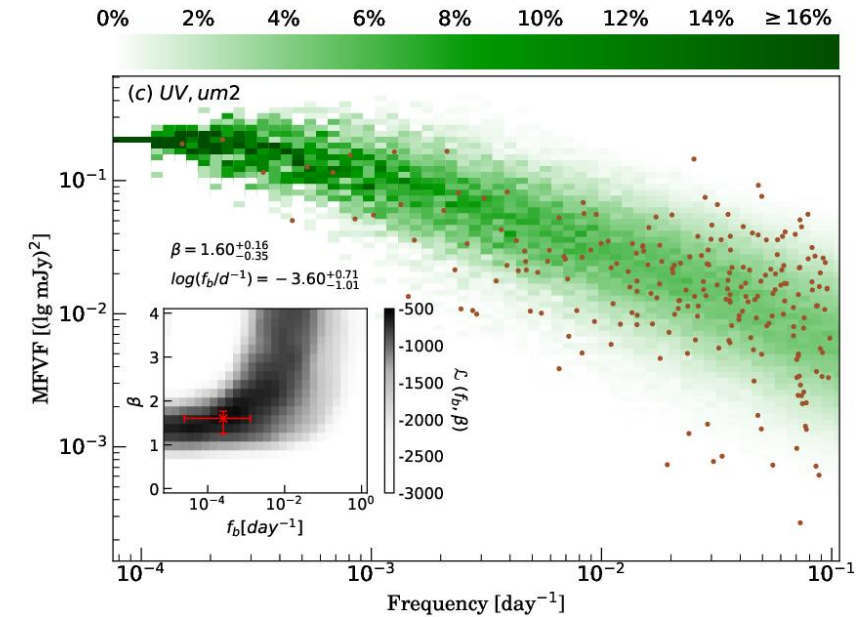
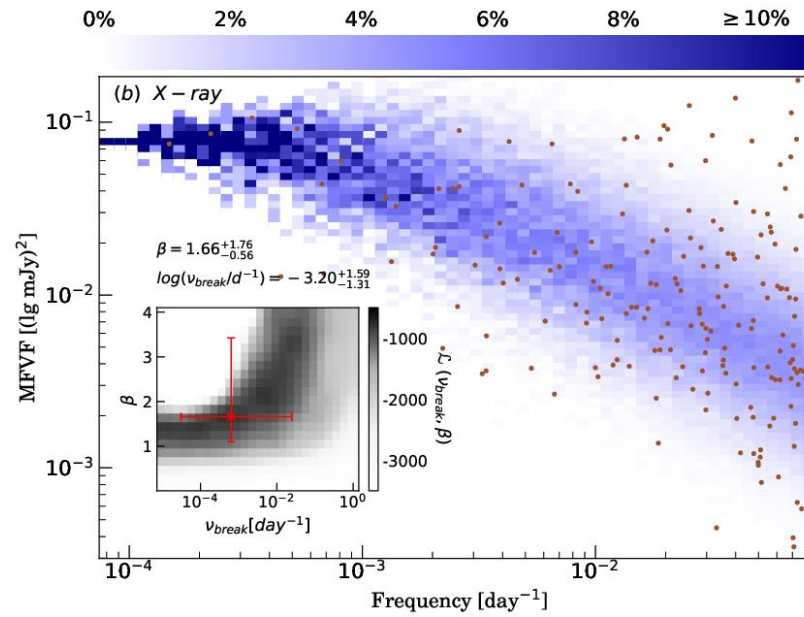
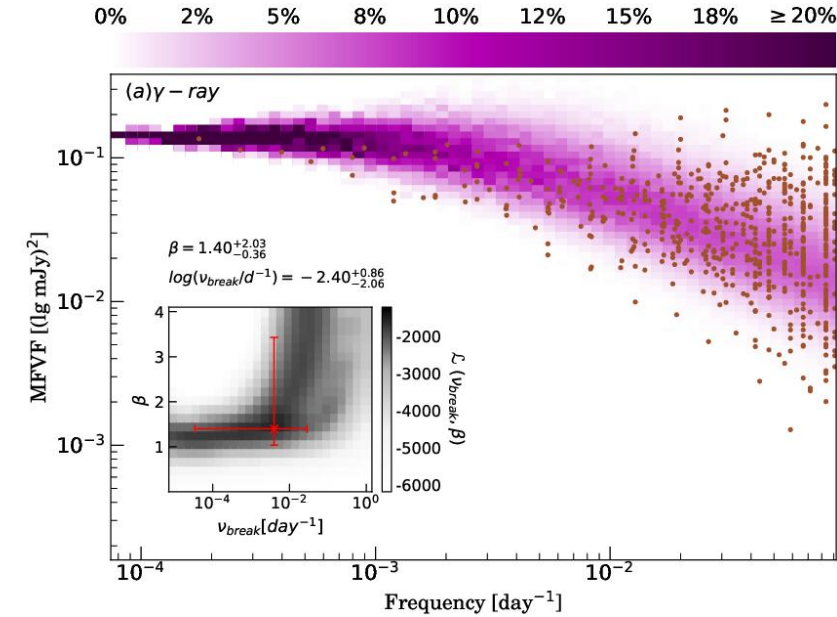
Taking BL Lacertae as an example

Classical Method — DFT



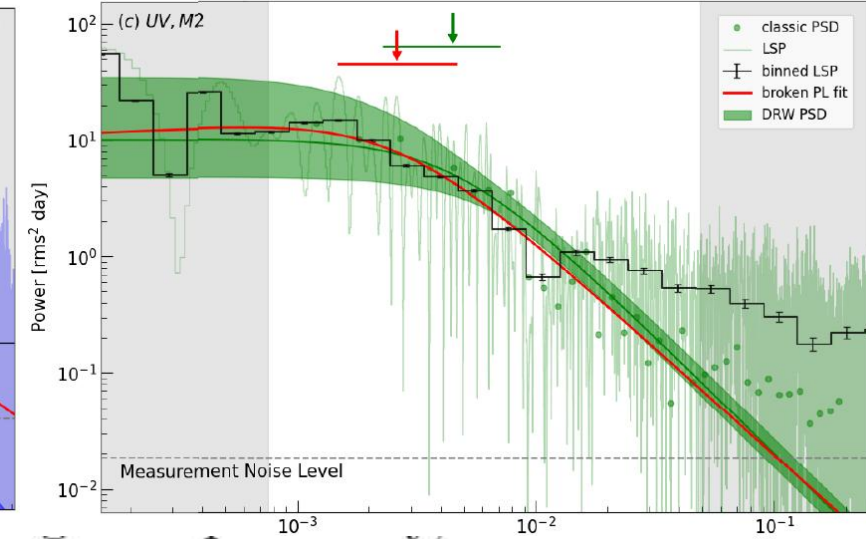
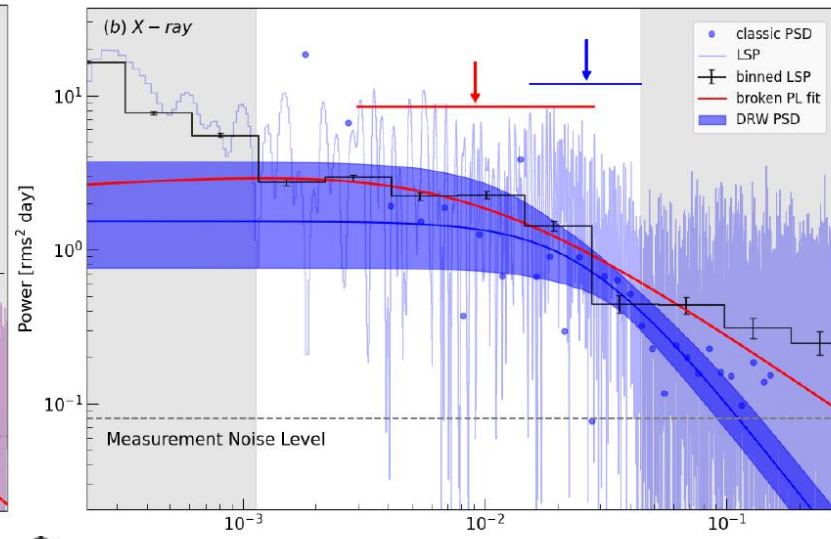
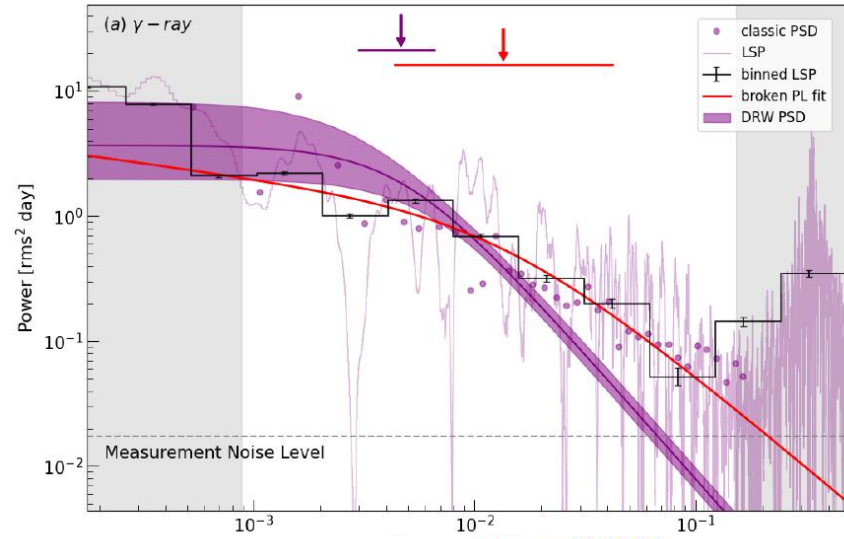
characteristic:

- Power-law index
- Broken Timescale
- Periodicity ...

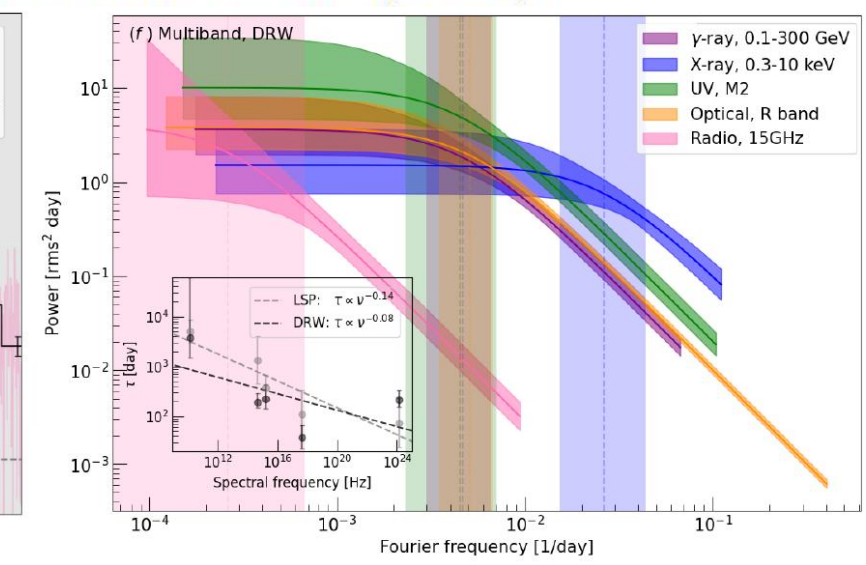
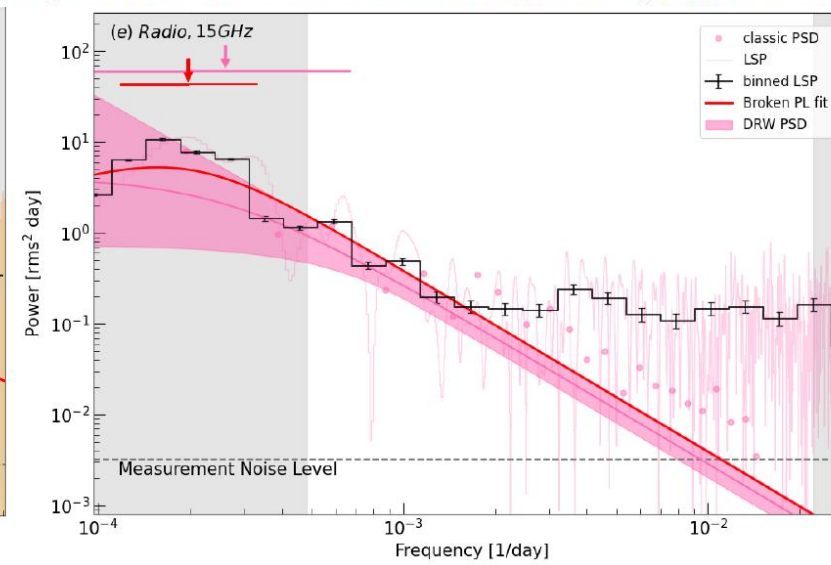
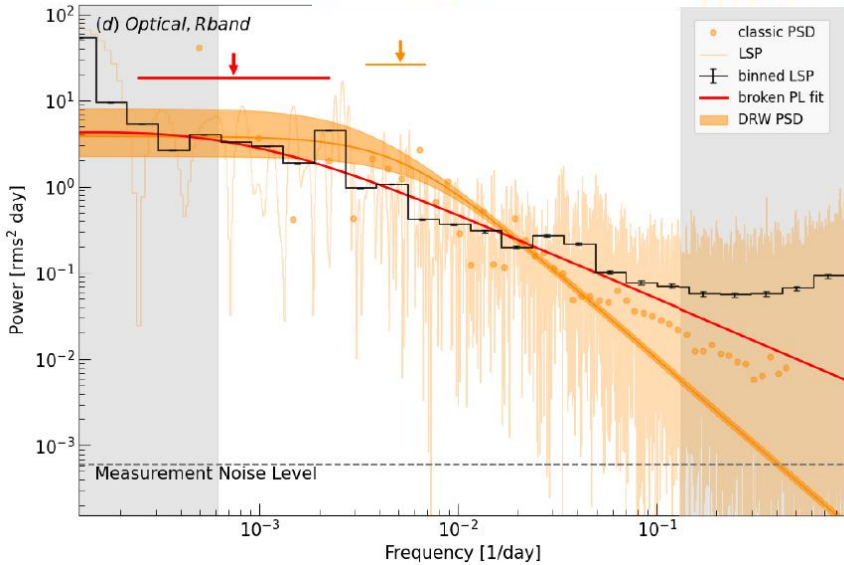


$$\mathcal{L}(\beta, f_{\min}) = \sum_{i=1}^N \log p_i(\beta, f_{\min})$$

DRW / AR1 / OU

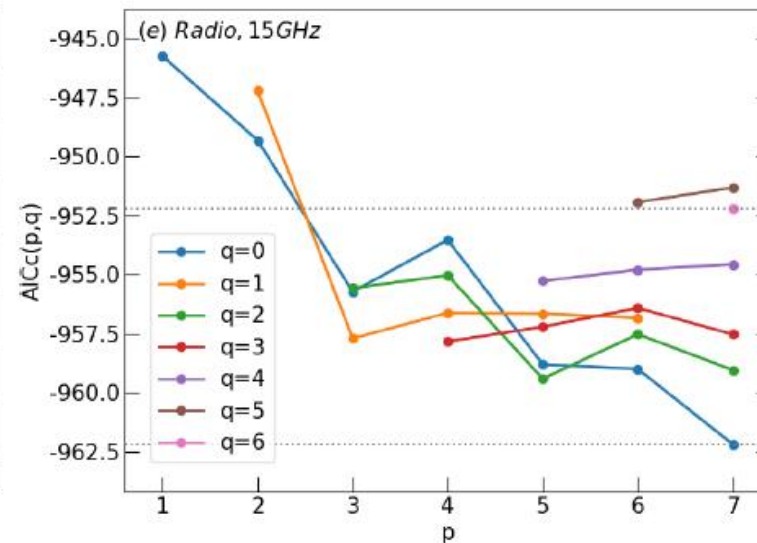
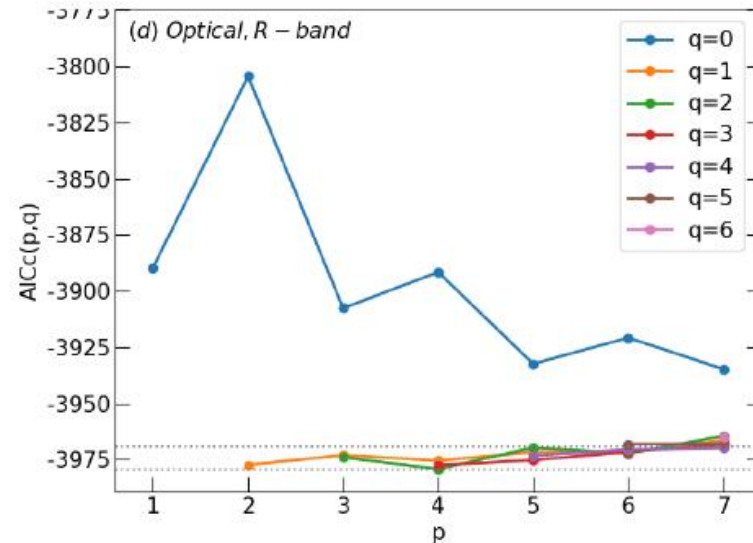
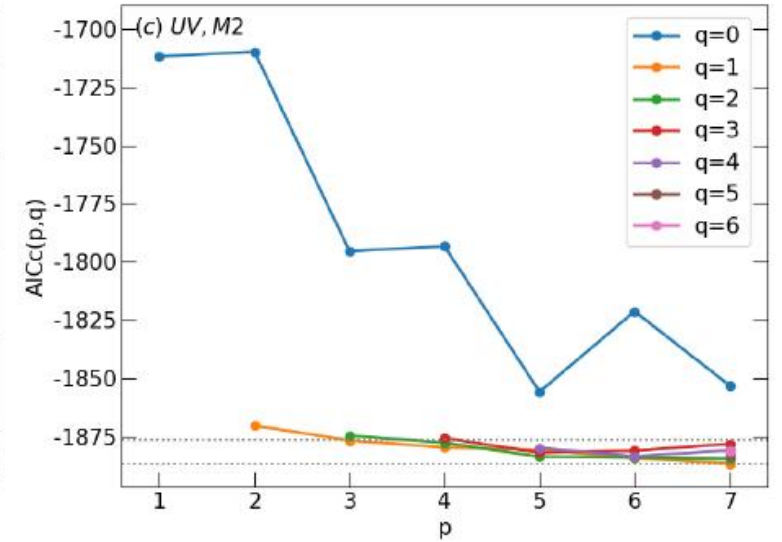
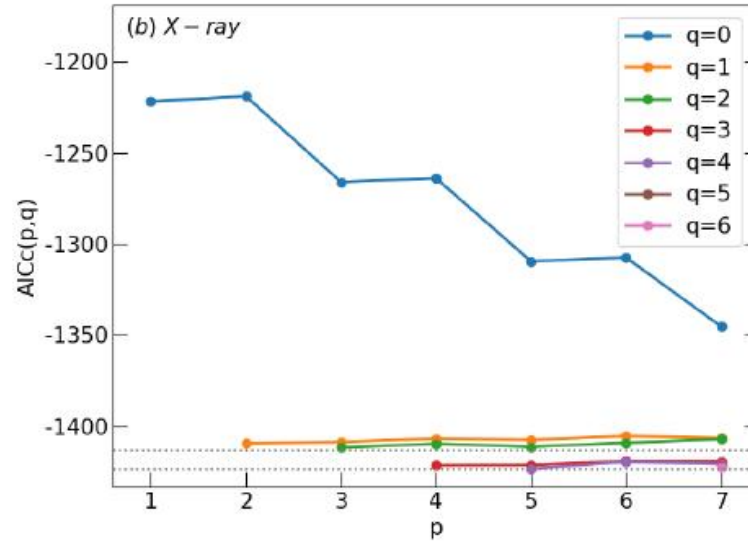
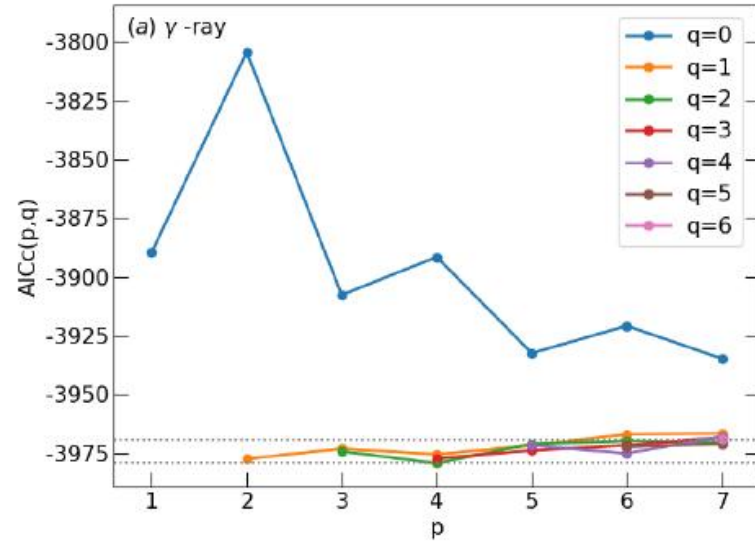


$\tau \propto \lambda^{0.17+0.02}_{-0.02}$ found by MacLeod et al. (2010) and Suberlak et al. (2021).





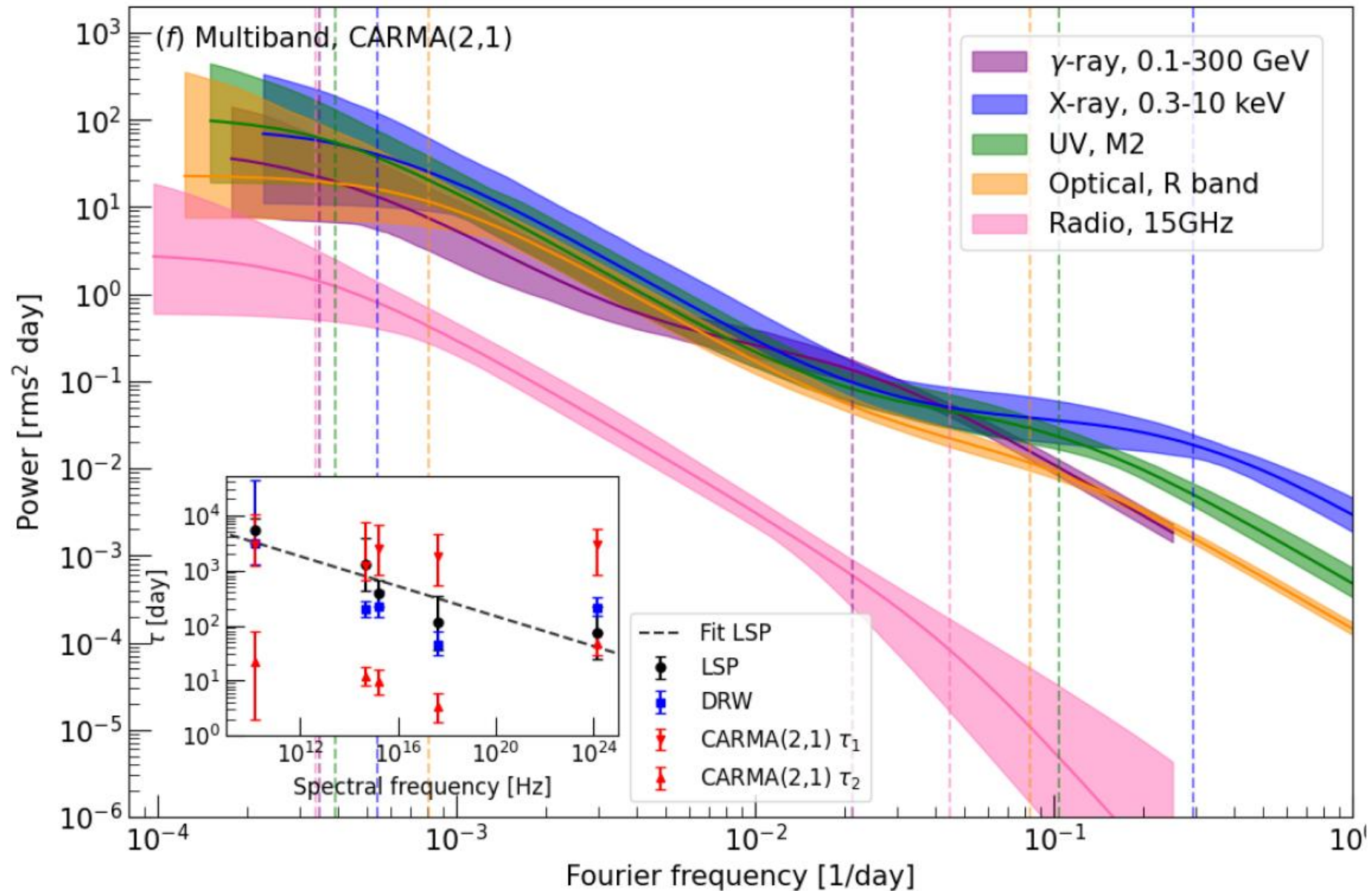
CARMA / Mixed OU





CARMA / Mixed OU

Taking
CARMA(2,1)
as an example





Summary

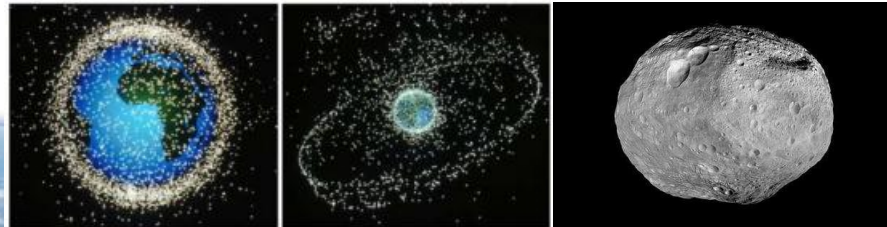


- The broken power-law model applied to the LSP reveals wavelength-dependent characteristic timescales, whereas the DRW model yields nearly identical timescales across optical, UV, and γ -ray bands. For higher-order CARMA models, the obtained timescales show even greater variability. Variability is better explained by the superposition of multiple stochastic processes;
- The DHO simulations reveal that the characteristic timescales and power spectra are similar in the low-frequency range, while notable differences emerge at high frequencies. We therefore infer that the variability in BL Lacertae is primarily governed by at least two stochastic processes: one that dominates at low frequencies and is weakly dependent on wavelength or even independent of it, and another that dominates at high frequencies and is wavelength-dependent.

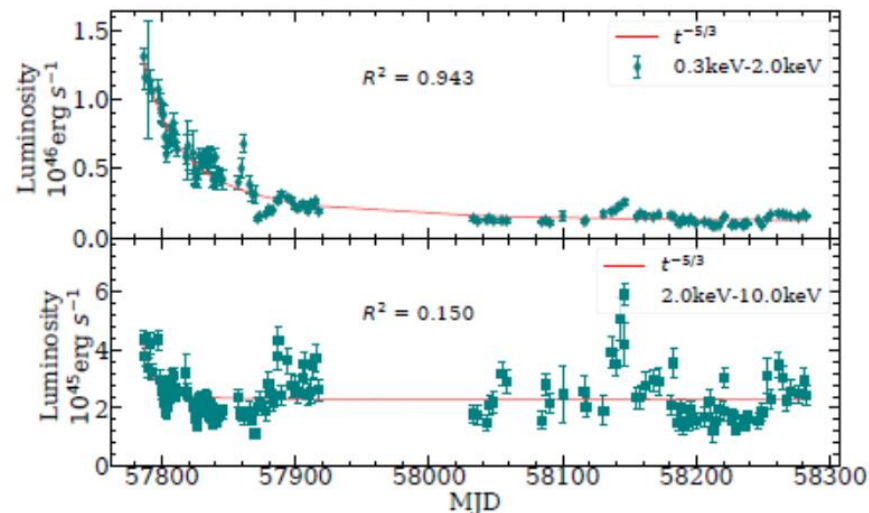
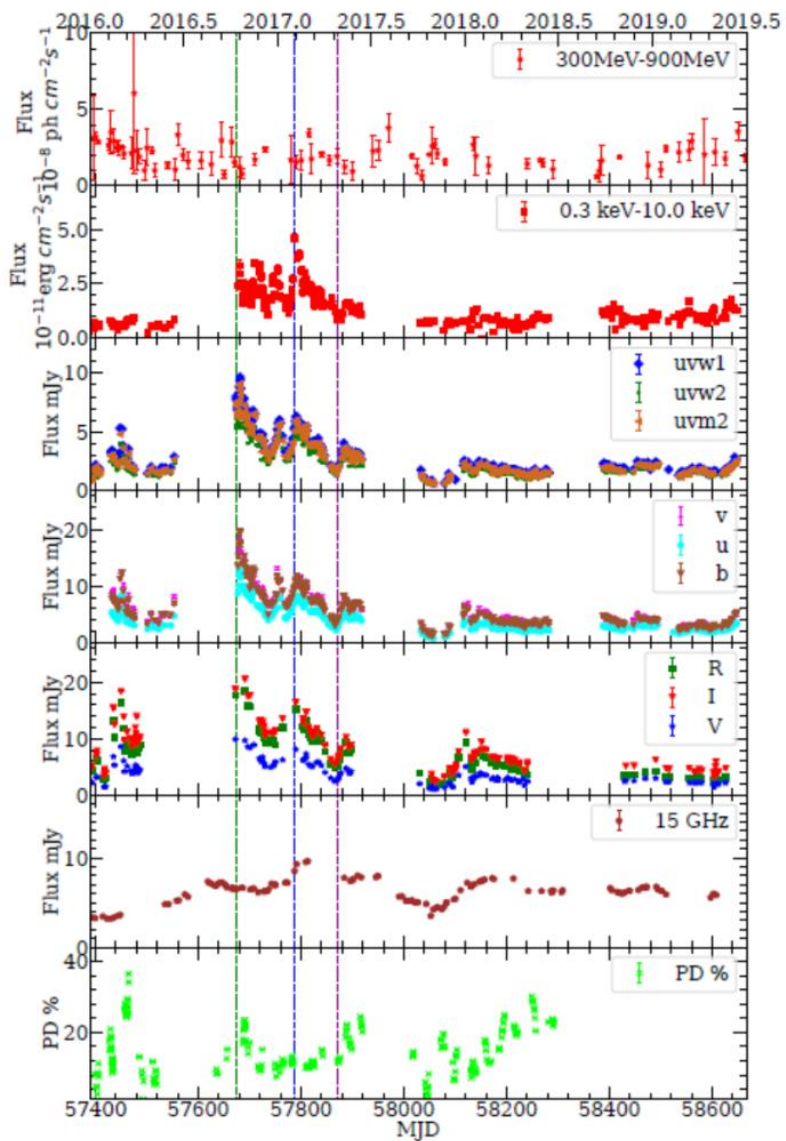
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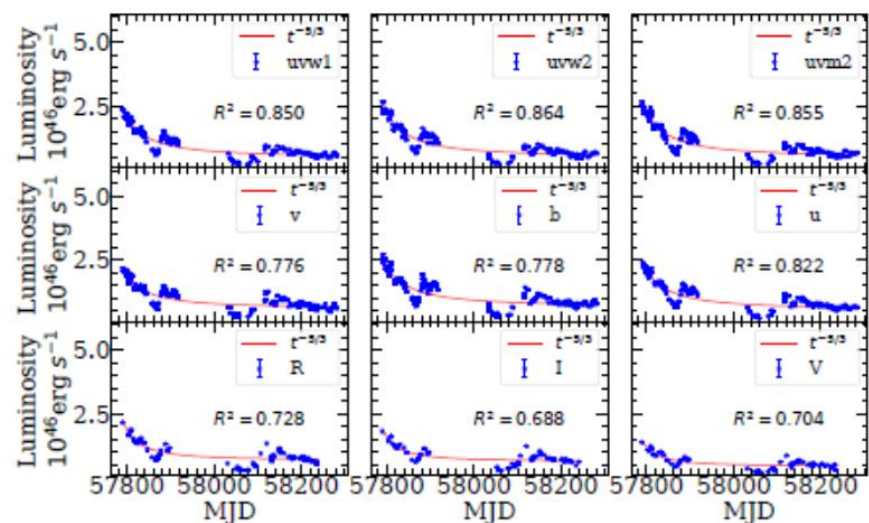
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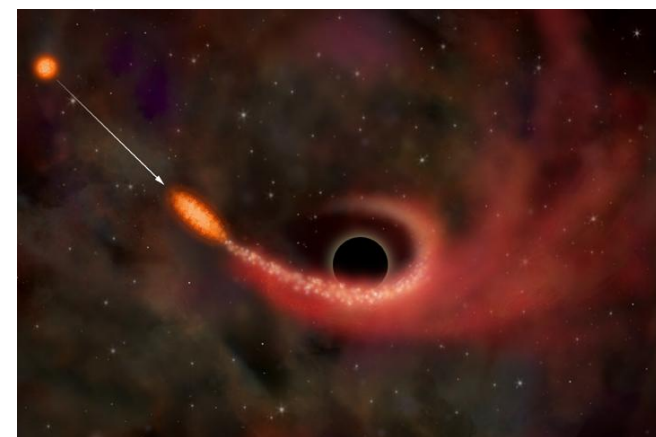
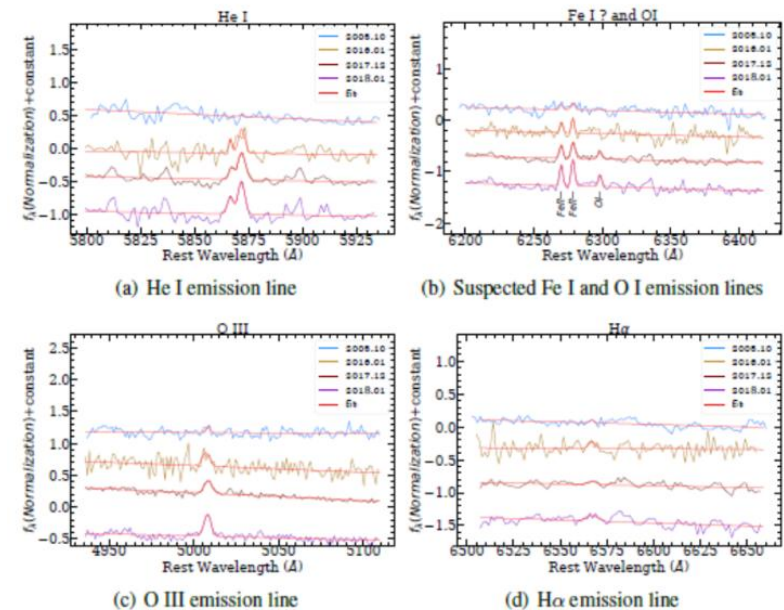
TDE ---the variability of OJ 287 in 2016-2017



(a) X-ray light curves

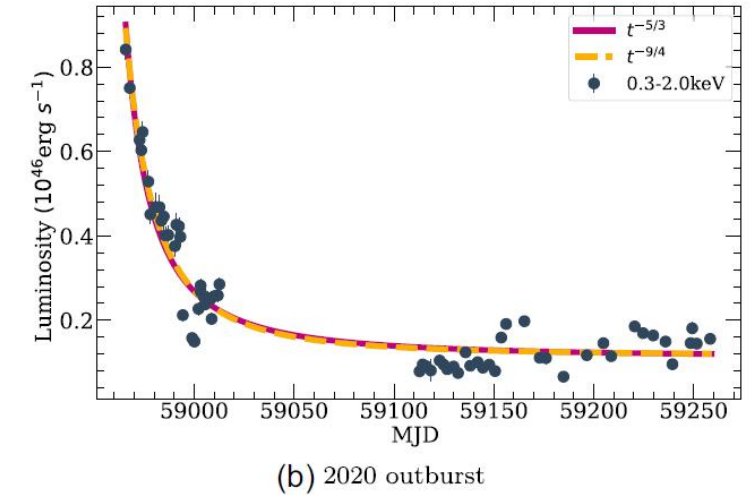
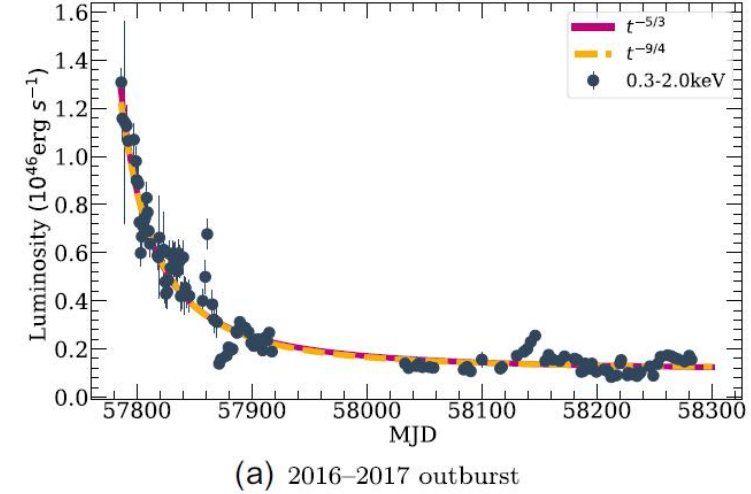
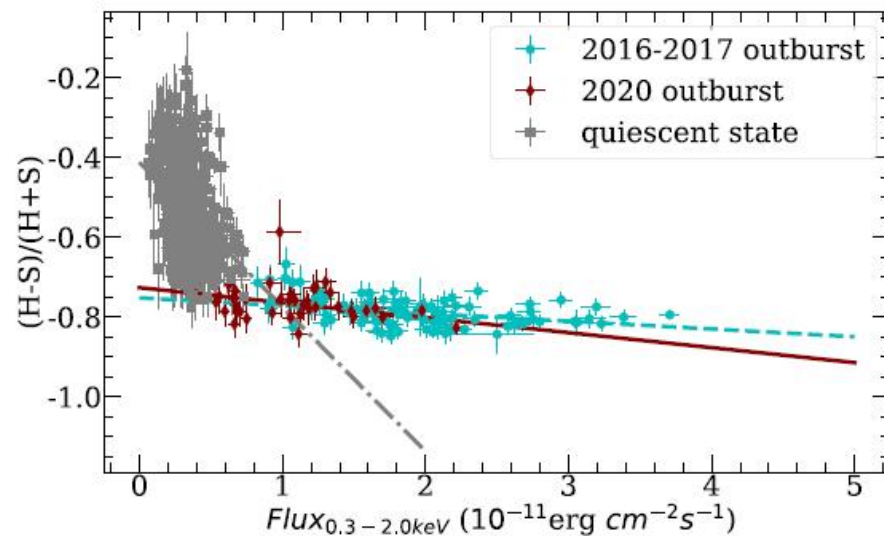
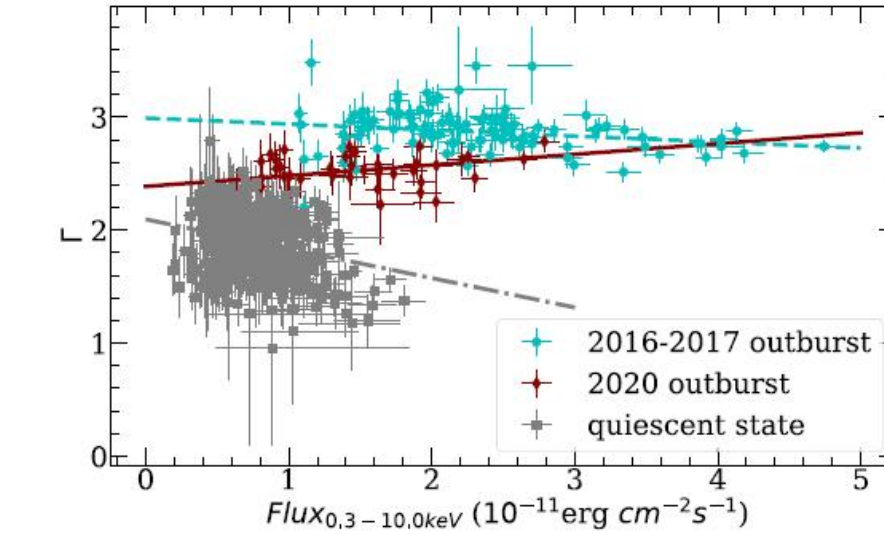
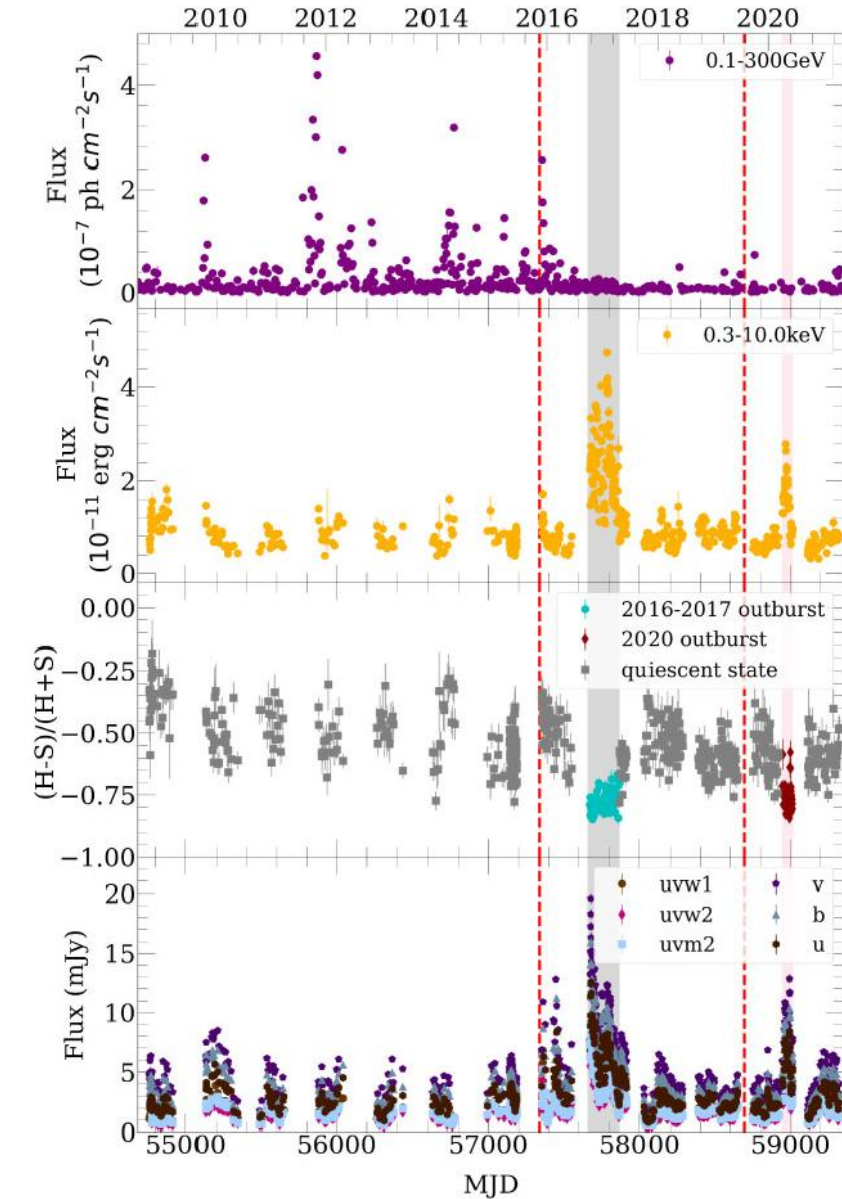


(b) UV-optical light curves



PTDE—Variability of OJ 287 in 2020

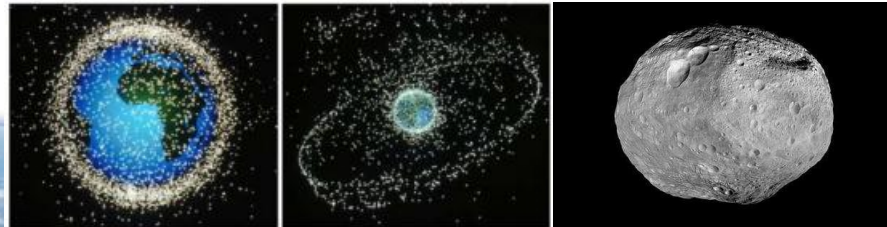
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1m Telescope



Optics: classic Cassegrain design,
1000mm optical working diameter,
focal ratio: f/8

Mount: equatorial fork mount

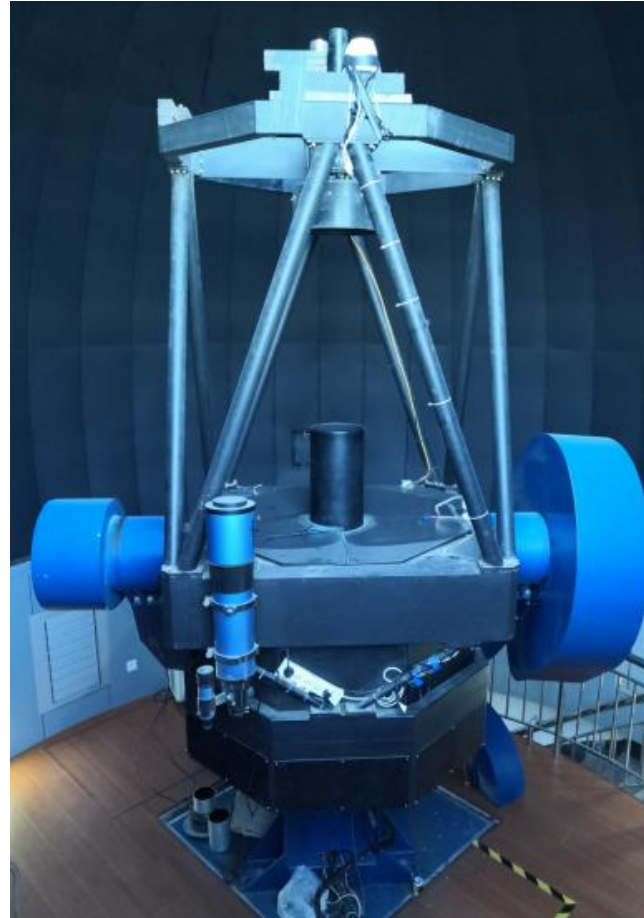
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arc sec within 15 arc minute FOV

Maximum slew speed is 4 degrees
per second in both RA and DEC
axis

Pointing accuracy: 5.4 arc sec
RMS for 20-90 deg altitude

Tracking accuracy: 0.54 arc sec
RMS in 10 minutes blind guiding

1m telescope and dome





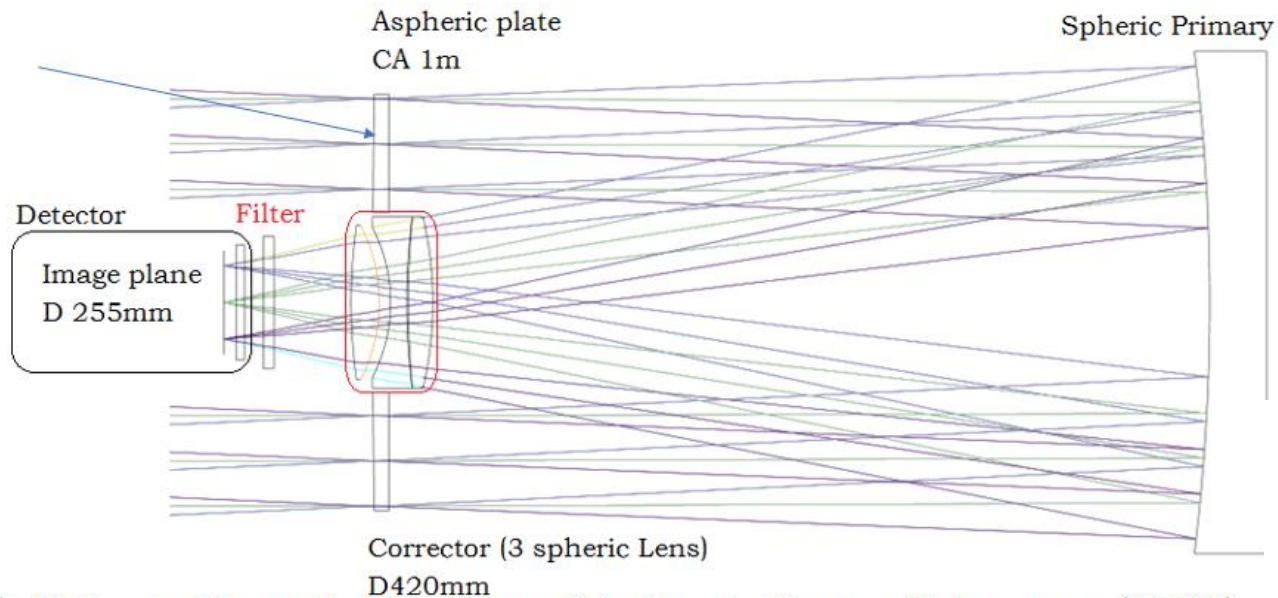
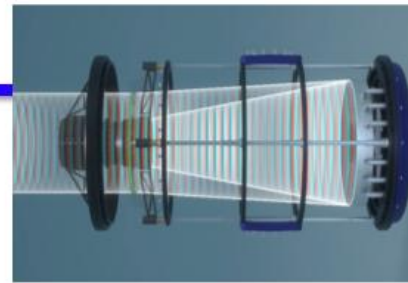
Wide field 1m telescope



Optical design for Sitian Project

SITIAN- Prototype optics (Catadioptric)

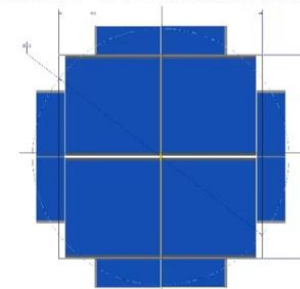
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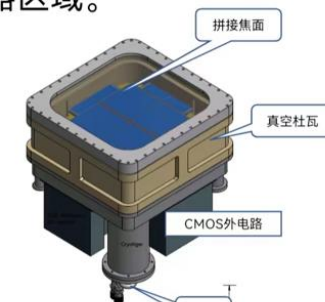
◆ Refer to the optical system of Antarctic Survey Telescopes (AST3)



- ▶ 焦面尺寸为200mm×200mm，采用4片9K×9K、10μm背照式CMOS芯片拼接。
- ▶ 焦面四周预留导星和波前传感探测器区域。



探测器布局

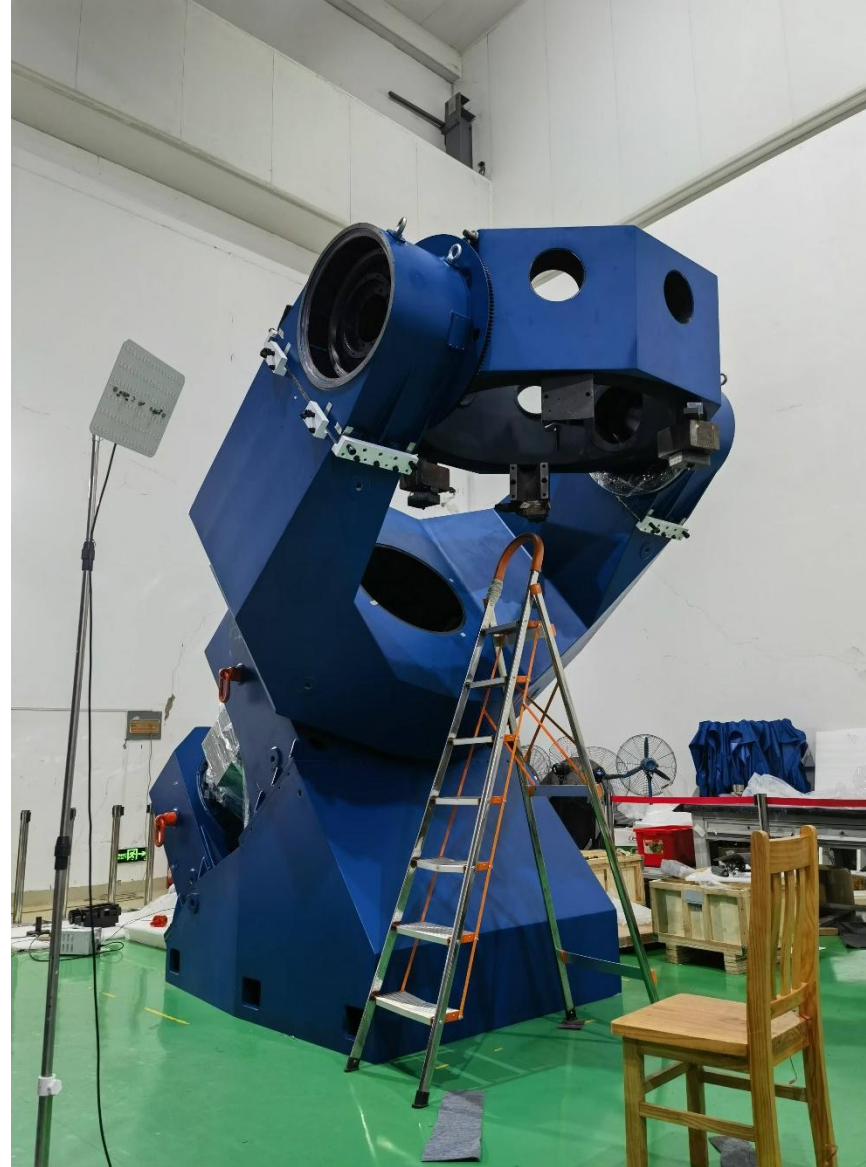
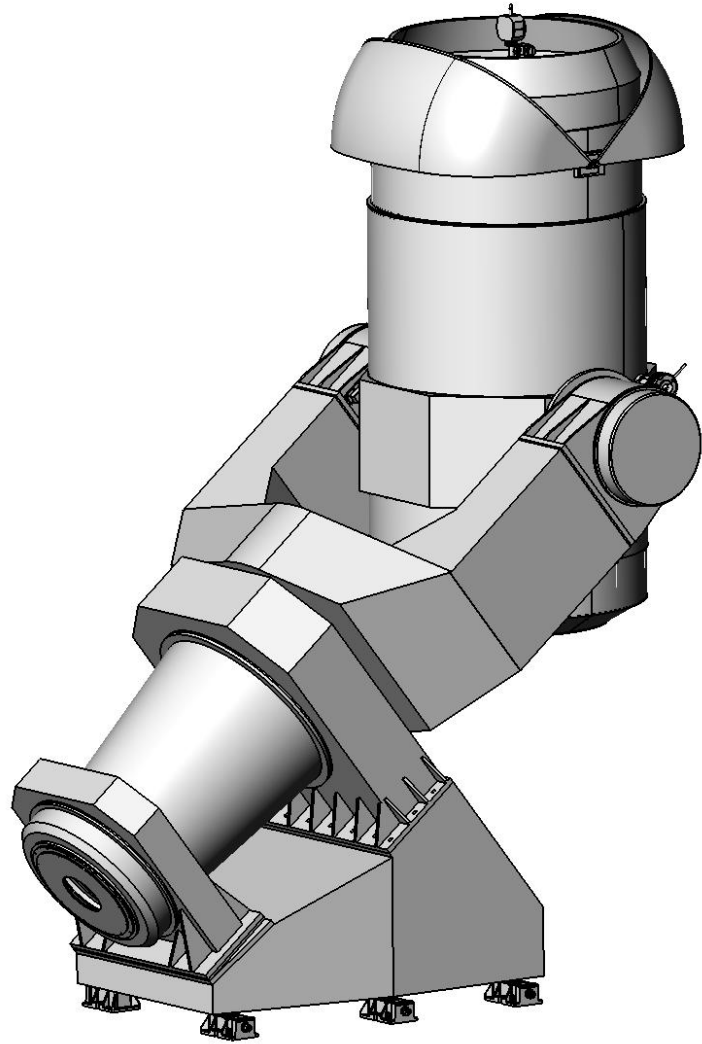


整机设计

For Time domain Astronomy (Variability of AGNs, TDEs, Variables, SNs, Exoplanets, GRBs et al.) ,
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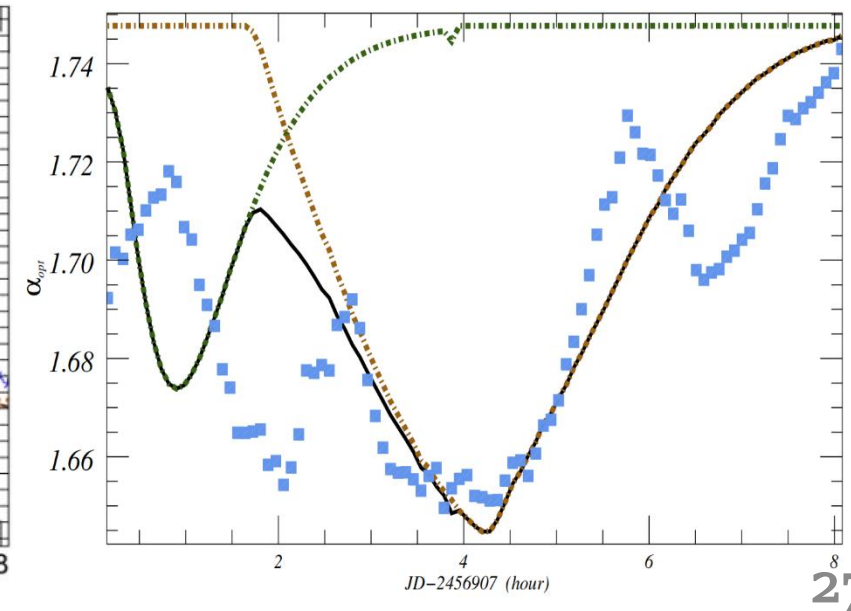
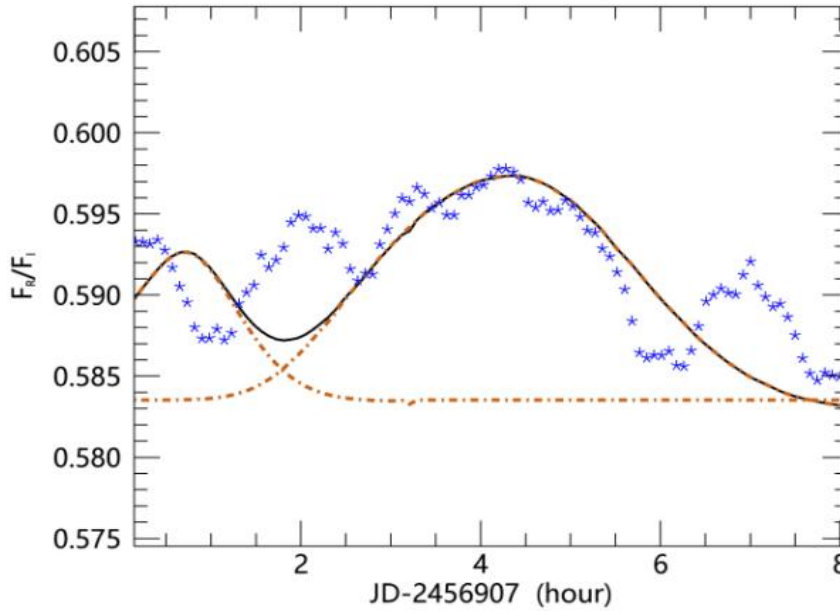
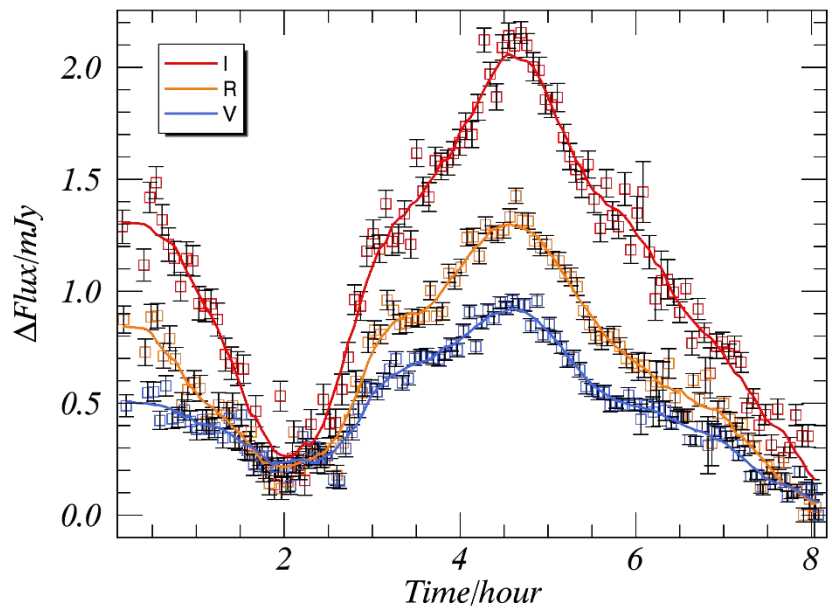
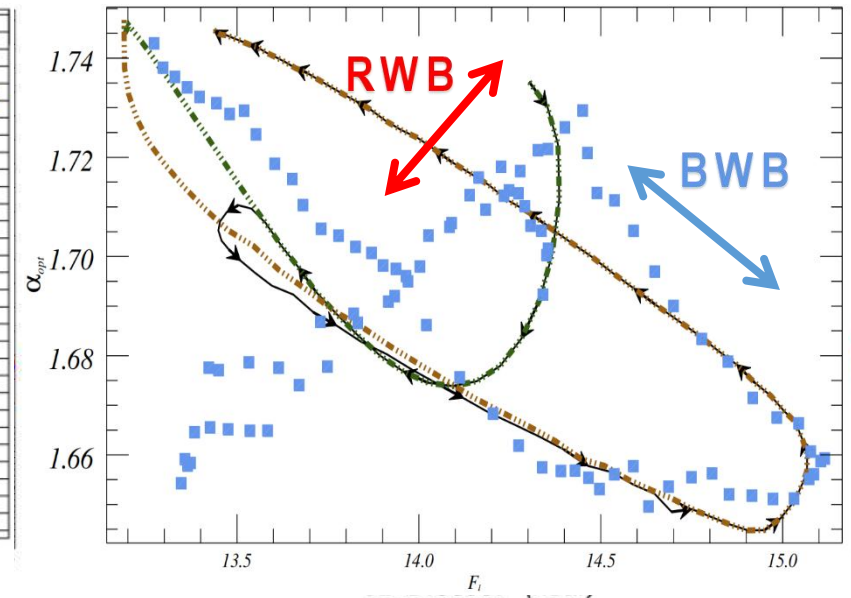
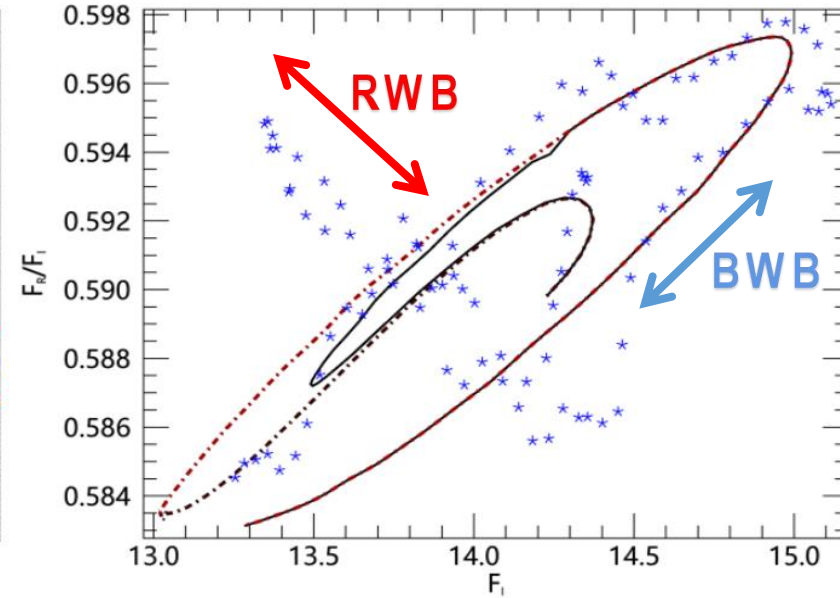
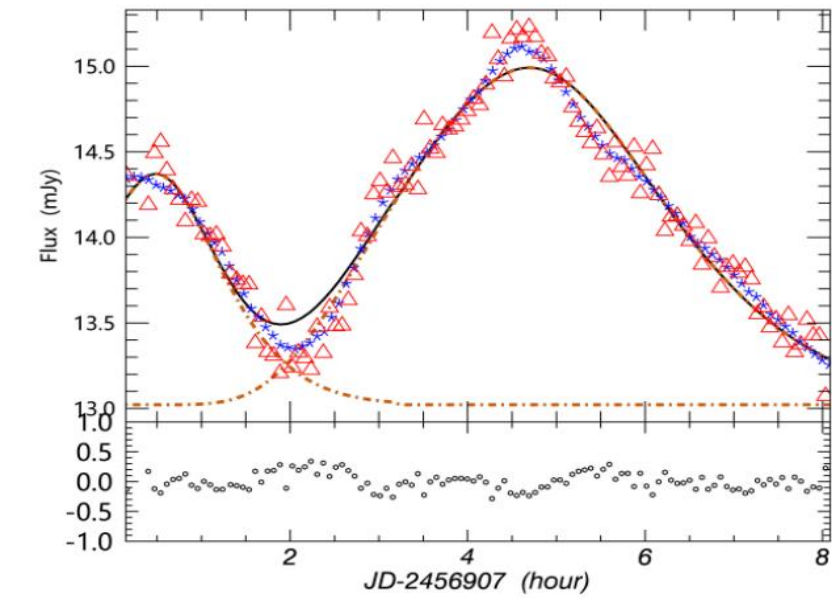


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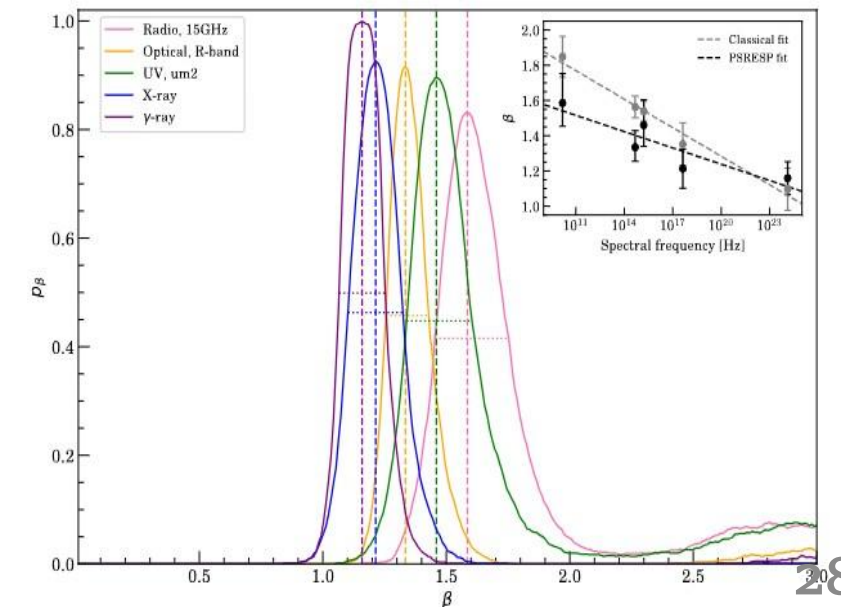
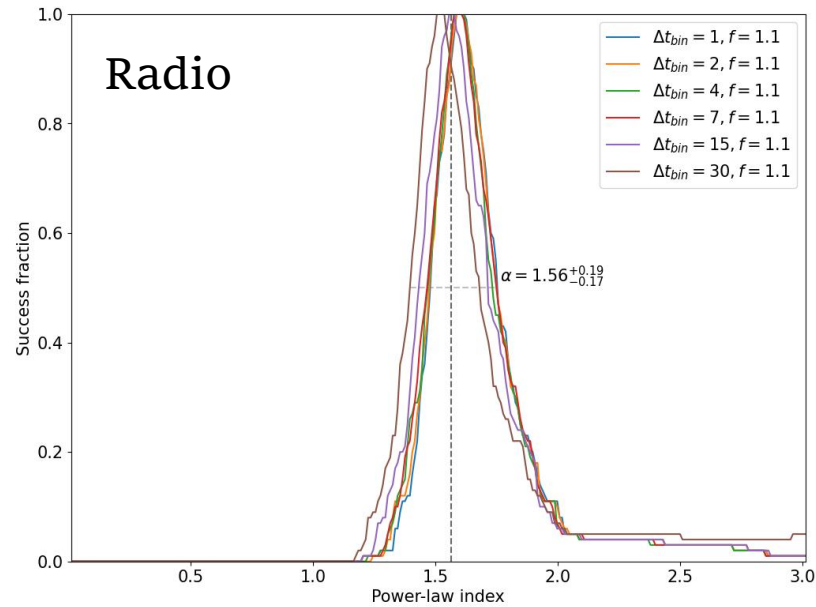
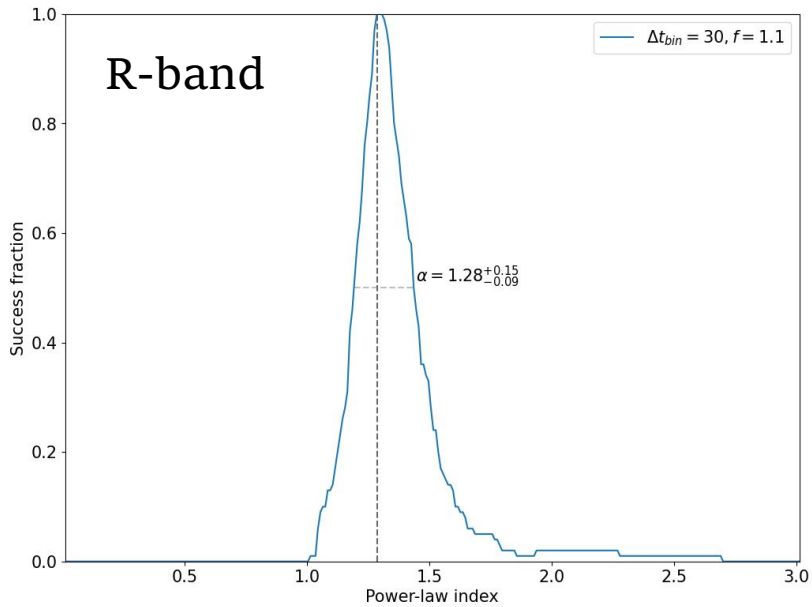
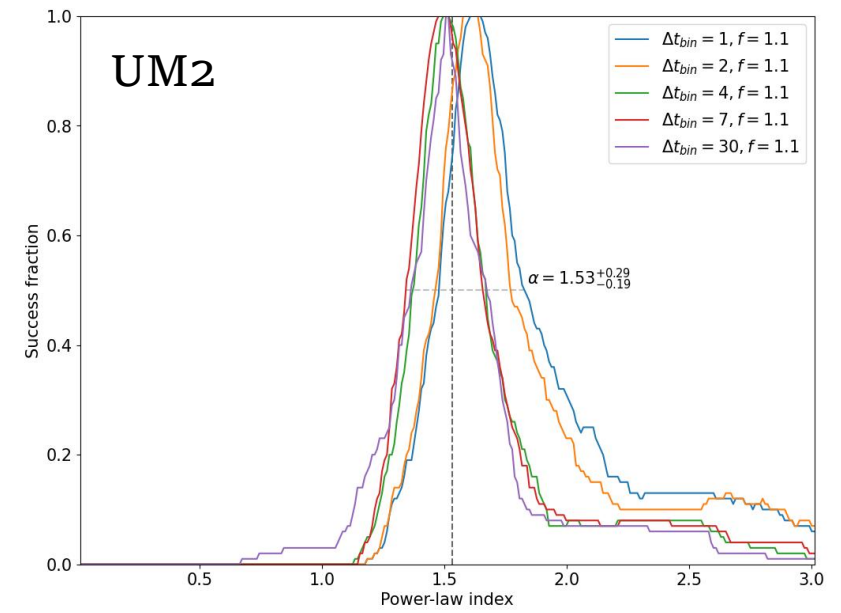
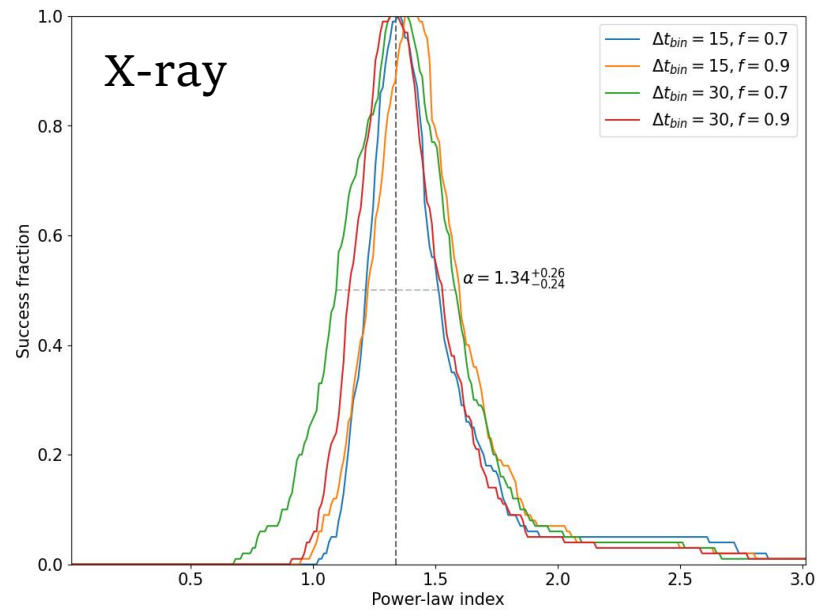
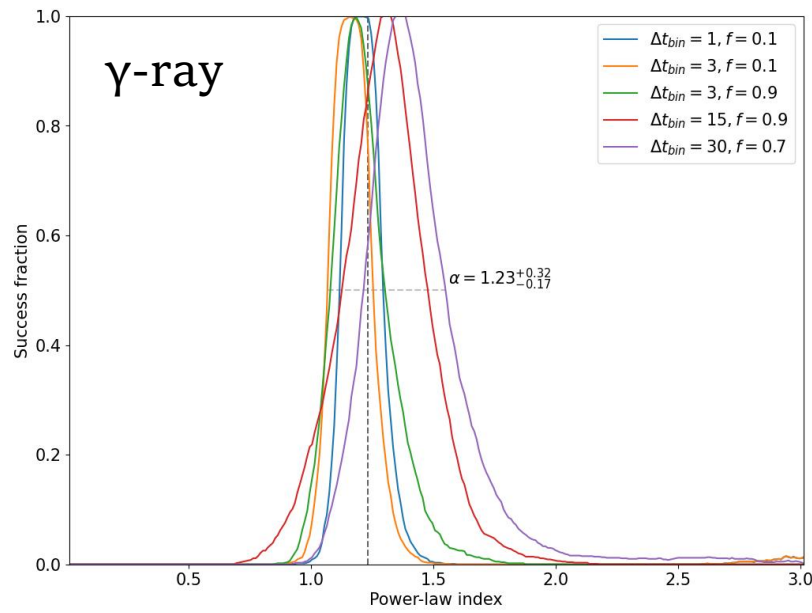
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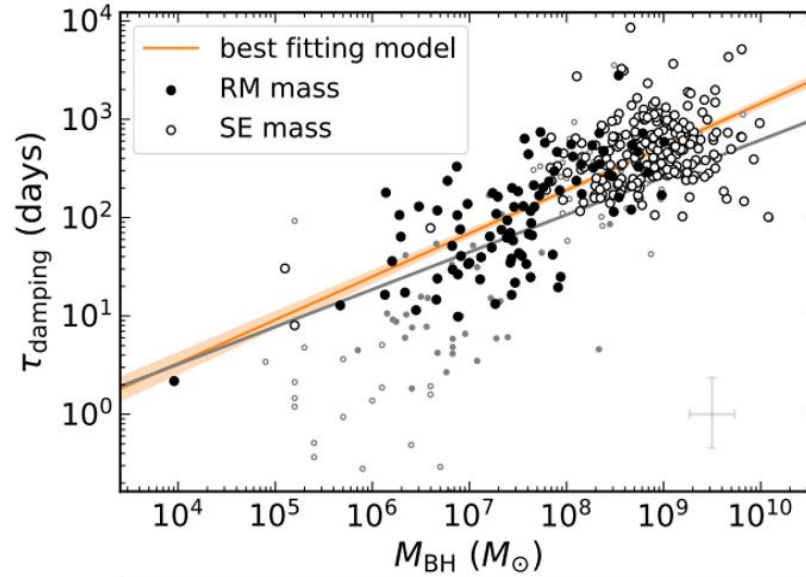
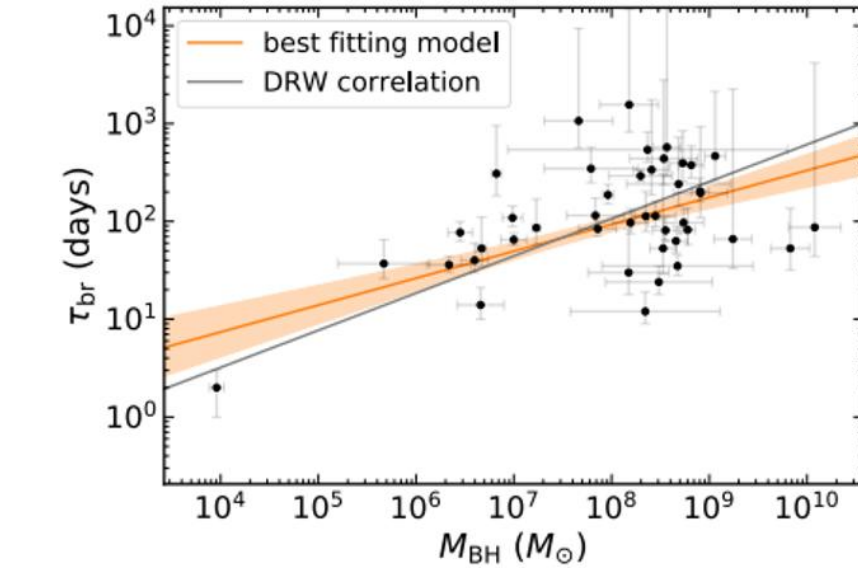
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$\tau_{\text{damping}} - M_{\text{accretor}}$ Relation

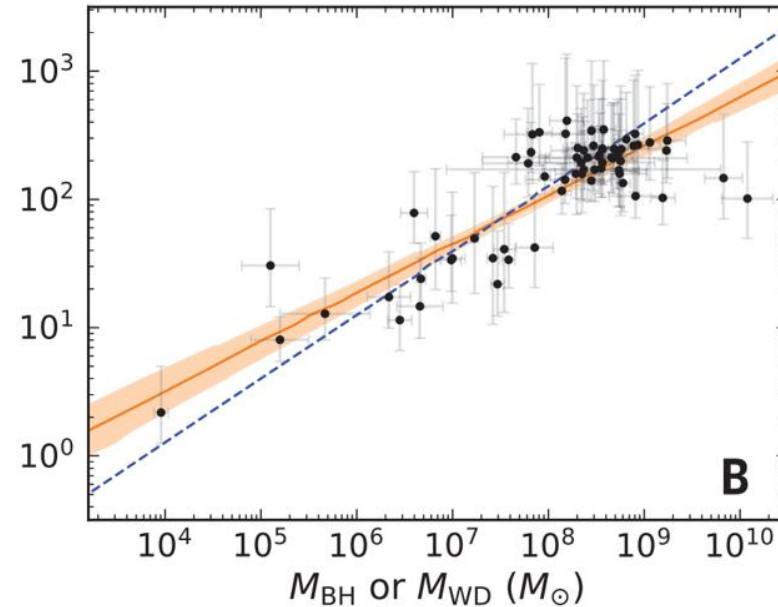
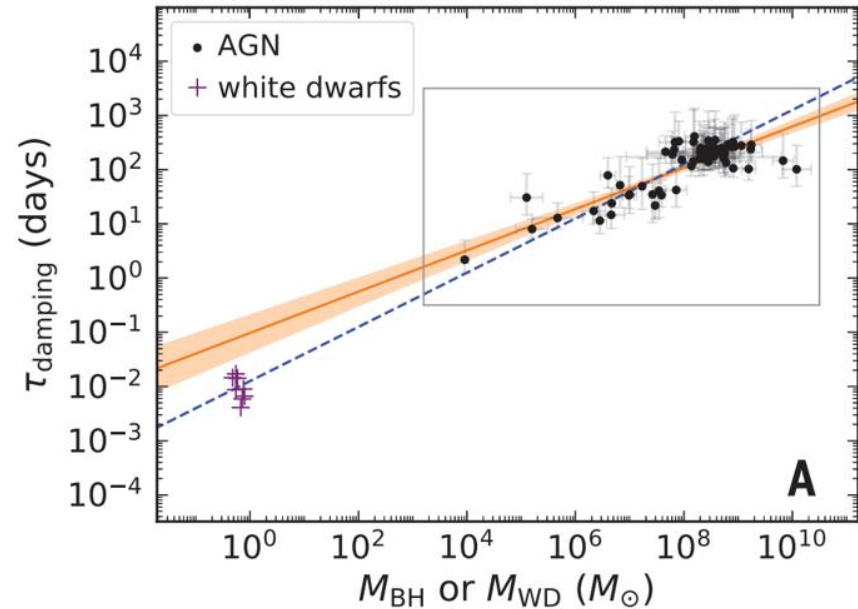
AD
Model



$$\tau_{\text{damping}} = 199^{+11}_{-11} \text{ days} \left(\frac{M_{\text{BH}}}{10^8 M_{\odot}} \right)^{0.44^{+0.02}_{-0.02}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R_{\lambda} &\propto M_{\text{BH}}^{2/3} \\ \eta &\propto L_{\text{bol}}/\dot{M}_{\text{BH}} \end{aligned} \rightarrow \tau_{\text{damping}} \propto \lambda^{0.17} \rightarrow t_{\text{orb}}, t_{\text{th}} \propto M_{\text{BH}}^{1/2}$$

$$t_{\text{th}} \approx (2\pi\alpha)^{-1} t_{\text{orb}} = \alpha^{-1} t_{\text{dyn}} \approx (H/R)^2 t_{\text{vis}}$$



$$\tau_{\text{damping}} = 107^{+11}_{-12} \text{ days} \left(\frac{M_{\text{BH}}}{10^8 M_{\odot}} \right)^{0.38^{+0.05}_{-0.04}}$$

$$\rightarrow M_{\text{BH}} = 10^{7.97^{+0.14}_{-0.14}} M_{\odot} (\tau_{\text{damping}}/100 \text{ days})^{2.54^{+0.34}_{-0.35}}$$

$$t_{\text{orb}} = 100 \left(\frac{M_{\text{BH}}}{10^8 M_{\odot}} \right) \left(\frac{R}{100 R_{\text{S}}} \right)^{3/2} \text{ days}$$

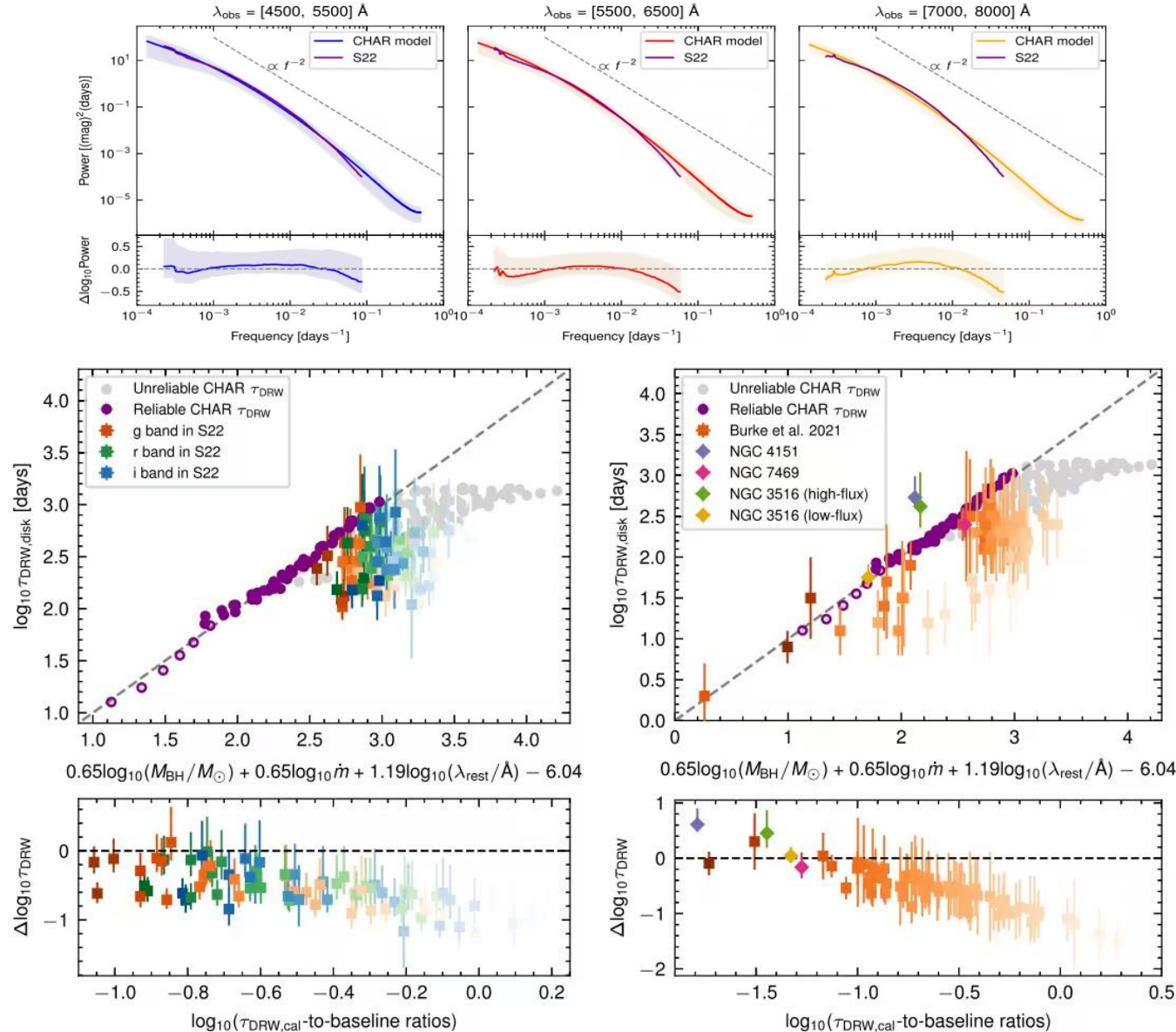
$$t_{\text{th}} = 1680 \left(\frac{\alpha}{0.01} \right)^{-1} \times \left(\frac{M_{\text{BH}}}{10^8 M_{\odot}} \right) \left(\frac{R}{100 R_{\text{S}}} \right)^{3/2} \text{ days}$$



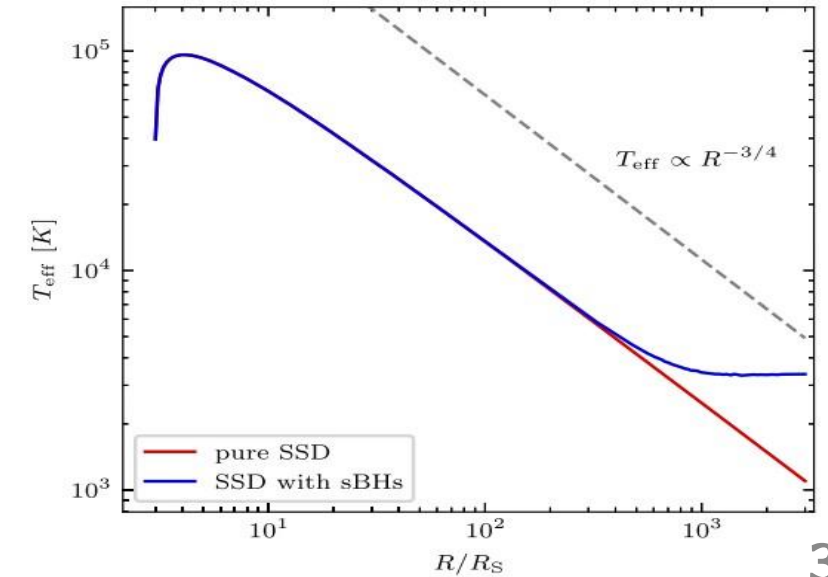
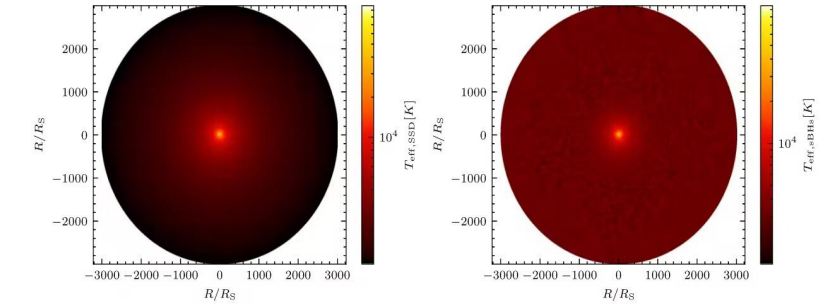
Accretion Disk Model

Corona Heated Accretion disk Reprocessing Model

CHAR model

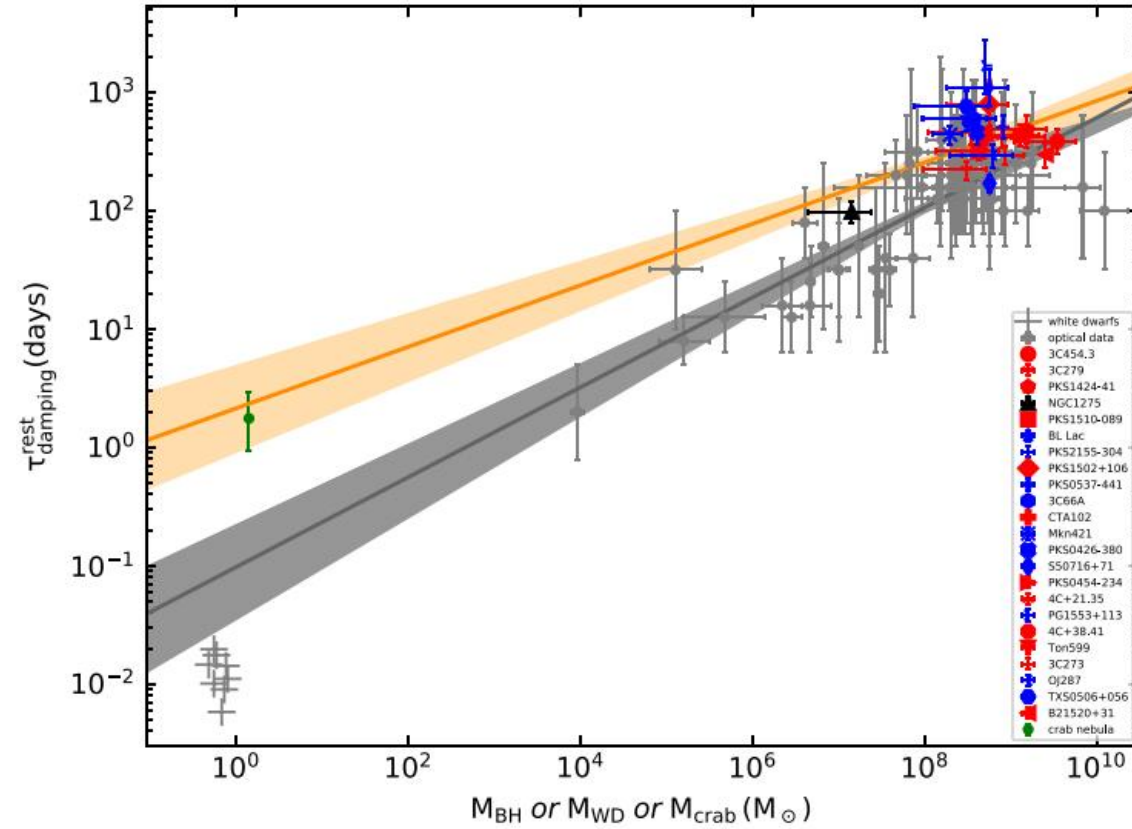


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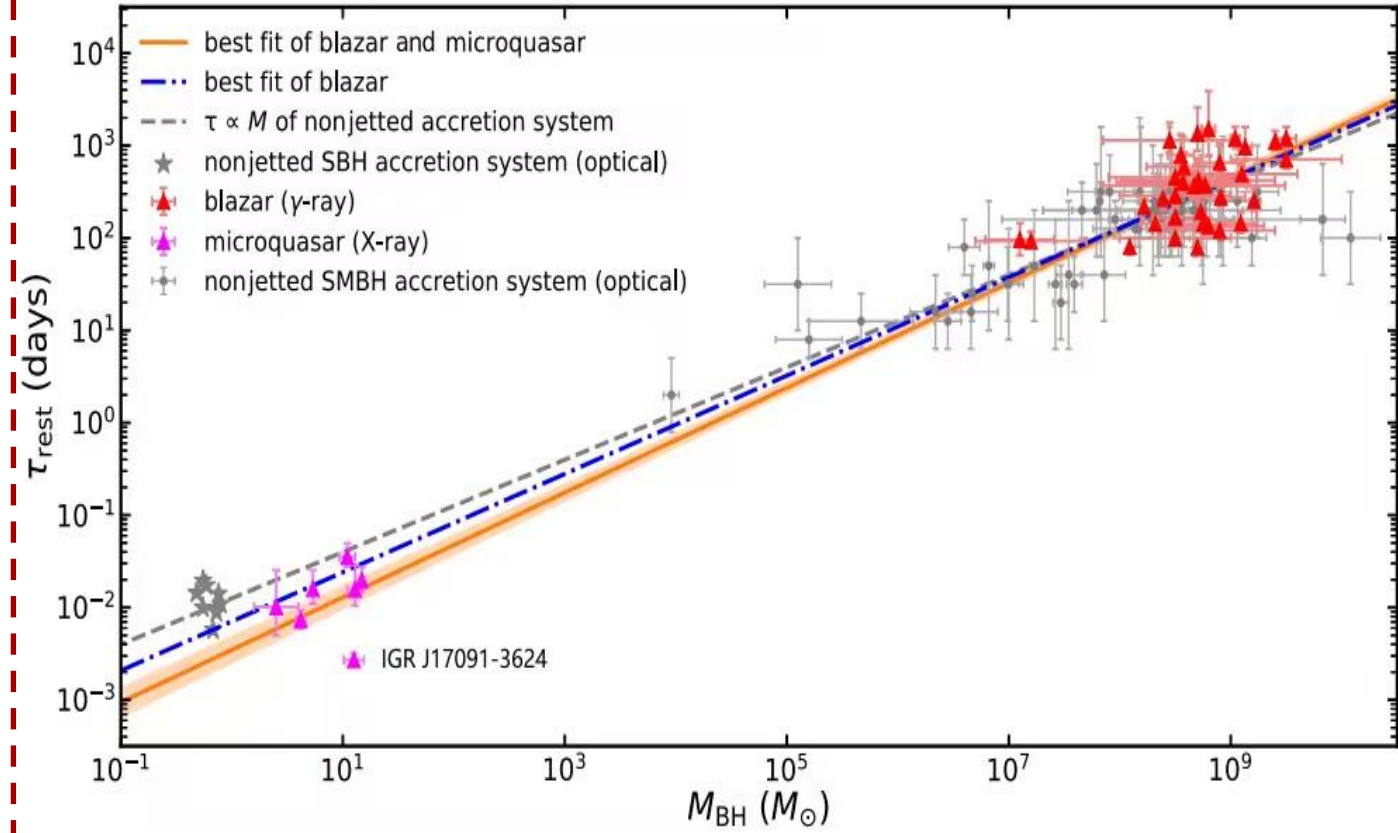


Disk-Jet Coupling Model

DRW
Model



$$\tau_{\text{damping}}^{\text{rest}} = 154.22_{-15.75}^{+14.76} \left(\frac{M_{\text{BH}}}{10^8 M_{\odot}} \right)^{0.43_{-0.04}^{+0.04}}$$



$$\tau_{\text{rest}} = 120.47_{-17.62}^{+14.84} \text{ days} \left(\frac{M_{\text{BH}}}{10^8 M_{\odot}} \right)^{0.57_{-0.02}^{+0.02}}$$

Turbulence Jet Model

DSA
Diffusive shock acceleration

