



The Extragalactic High-energy Transients

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In this talk:

- ✧ “Well-known” extra-galactic high-energy transients
 - ✧ Models of **event rate density and luminosity function**
 - ✧ Simulations by Einstein Probe
- ✧ **X-ray transients powered by magnetar** from binary neutron star merger
 - ✧ Models
 - ✧ **Candidates: CDF-S XT1 and XT2**

Extra-galactic high-energy transient universe

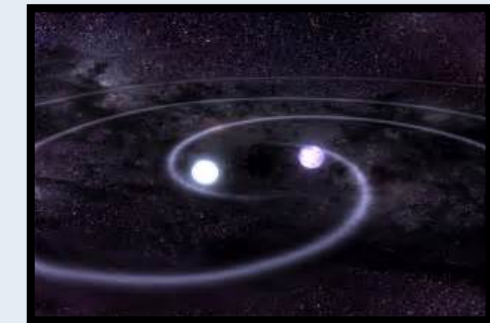
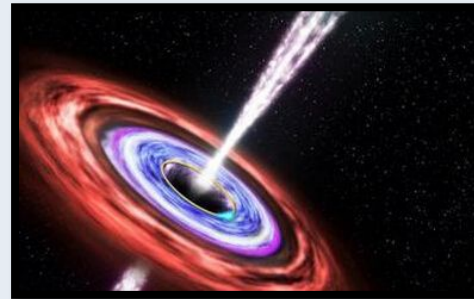
The high-energy transient universe, especially in X-ray band, is rich, **Yet to be explored.**

Well-known

- ✧ Gamma Ray Bursts (Low-luminosity -, long-, short -)
- ✧ SN Shock Breakouts
- ✧ Tidal Disruption Events (X-ray)

Emerging

- ✧ Magnetar powered X-ray emissions from binary neutron star merger



Transient characteristics

- ✧ Transient, Explosive, High luminosity.
- ✧ But relatively short duration, small amount of detections

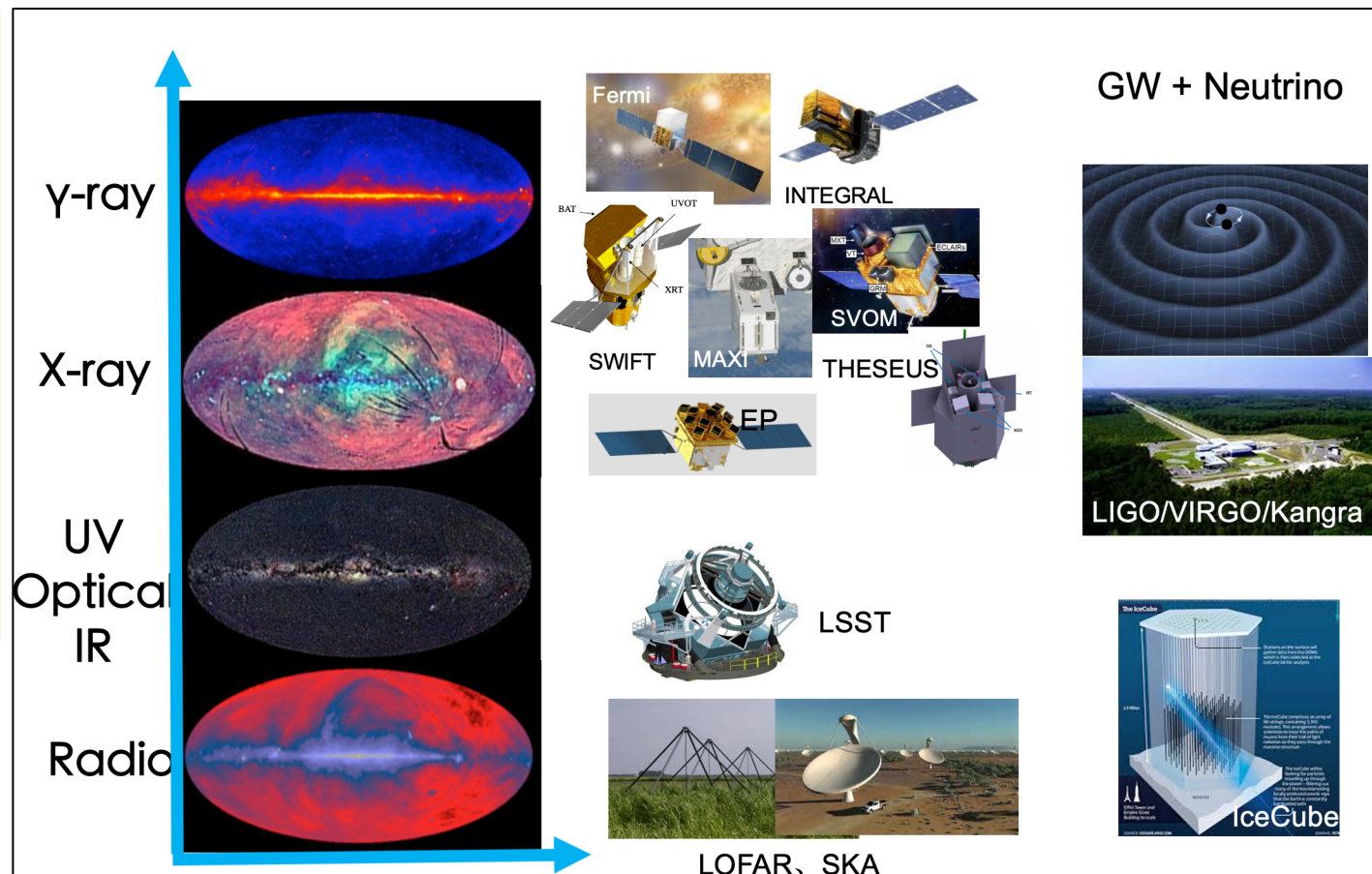
	long GRB		short GRB	SN shock breakout	Tidal disruption event /JETTED TDE
	LL-IGRB	HL-IGRB			
luminosity	10^{46} - 10^{49} erg/s	10^{49} - 10^{54} erg/s	10^{49} - 10^{54} erg/s	10^{43} - 10^{46} erg/s	10^{42} - 10^{45} / 10^{47} - 10^{48} erg/s
duration	2s-~1000s	2s-~ 10^4 s	<2s	10s to a few 1000s	peak ~ days to weeks, fade on years
event number	<10	~ 1200 ^a 300 with z	~120 ^a 26 with z	2+12 new	~ 20 normal TDEs 3 jetted TDEs

note(a): in Swfit GRB catalog

Motivation for rate and LF study

The study of event rate density and luminosity function is naturally expected

- ✧ Estimate the detectability for wide field of view telescopes.
- ✧ Models (**luminosity function** & redshift evolution) for related simulations.
- ✧ Multi-messenger estimations.
- ✧ Investigate unknown transients in archival data.



Method

It is feasible to obtain the event rate density ρ_0 and the normalized luminosity function $\Phi(L)$ from the observations taking into account the selection effects.

✧ Observed sample N_{det}

✧ Corrected by the sky and time coverage of instruments Ω, T

✧ Redshift evolution models $f(z)$

✧ Star formation history for LGRB, SN SBO

✧ Supermassive black hole mass function evolution for TDE

✧ Merger model for BNS merger

$$N_{\text{det}} = \frac{\Omega T}{4\pi} \times \int \Phi(L) dL \cdot \rho_0 V_{\text{max}}(L)$$

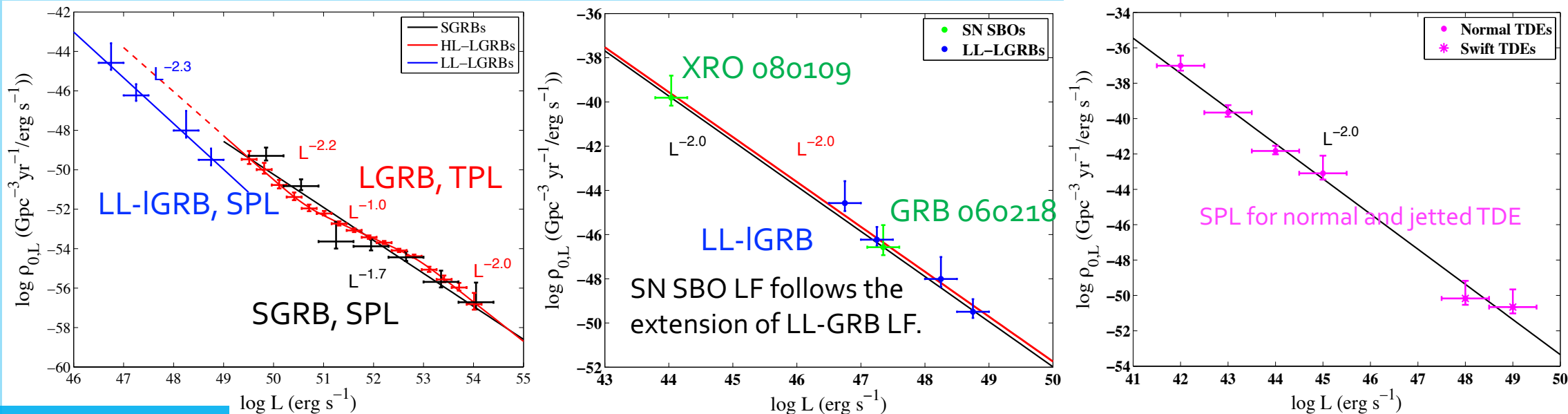
$$V_{\text{max}}(L) = \int_0^{z_{\text{max}}(L)} \frac{f(z)}{1+z} \frac{dV(z)}{dz} dz$$

$$F_{\text{th}} = \frac{L}{4\pi D_L^2(z_{\text{max}}) k}$$

$$\rho_0 \Phi(L) \simeq \frac{4\pi}{\Omega T} \frac{1}{\ln 10} \frac{1}{V_{\text{max}}(L)} \frac{1}{L} \frac{\Delta N}{\Delta(\log L)}, \quad \rho_0(> L_t) = \int_{L_t} \rho_0 \Phi(L) dL$$

This method can be uniformly applied to the calculations of all type of transients.

Rate and LF for various transients



Luminosity functions

Event rate
densities

Type	$L_m \text{ (erg s}^{-1}\text{)}$	$\rho_{0,>L_m} \text{ (Gpc}^{-3} \text{ yr}^{-1}\text{)}$
HL-LGRBs	3×10^{49}	$2.4^{+0.3}_{-0.3}$
LL-LGRBs	5×10^{46}	164^{+98}_{-65}
SGRBs (G)	7×10^{49}	$4.2^{+1.3}_{-1.0}$
SGRBs (LN)	7×10^{49}	$3.9^{+1.2}_{-0.9}$
SGRBs (PL)	7×10^{49}	$7.1^{+2.2}_{-1.7}$
SBOs	10^{44} ^a	$1.9^{+2.4}_{-1.2} \times 10^4$
TDEs	10^{42}	$1.0^{+0.4}_{-0.3} \times 10^5$
Swift TDEs	10^{48}	$0.03^{+0.04}_{-0.02}$

Sun et al. 2015

Detectability for Einstein Probe



FXT (2 modules)

Follow-up X-ray Telescope



Wolter-1 type + CCD

FoV: ~ 1 deg

band: 0.3-10keV

eff. area: $2 \times 300 \text{ cm}^2$ @1keV

resolution: 30'' (HPD)

WXT (12 modules)

<http://ep.nao.cas.cn/>

Wide-field X-ray Telescope



lobster-eye MPO + CMOS

FoV: 3600 sq deg (1.1 sr)

band: 0.5 – 4 keV

eff. area: $\sim 3 \text{ cm}^2$ @1keV

resolution: $\sim 5'$ (fwhm)

Type of transients

detections per year

Tidal disruption event (TDE)

tens ~ 100

TDE with jet

10 ?

Supernova shock breakout

tens (?)

Long GRB

~ 80

High-z GRB ($z > 6$)

a few

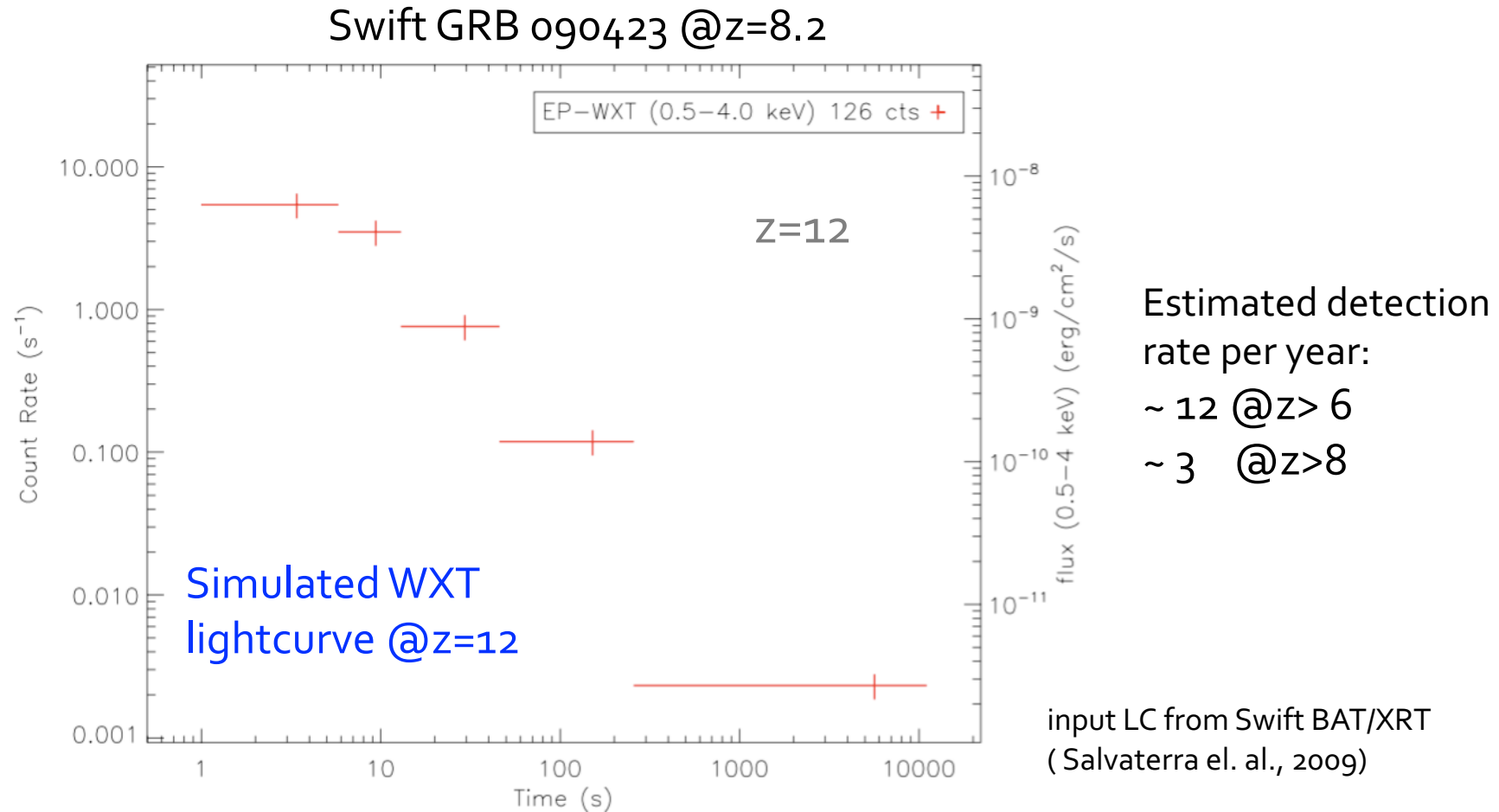
Short GRB

~ 10

Low-luminosity GRB

~ 10

EP simulations of GRB at high redshifts



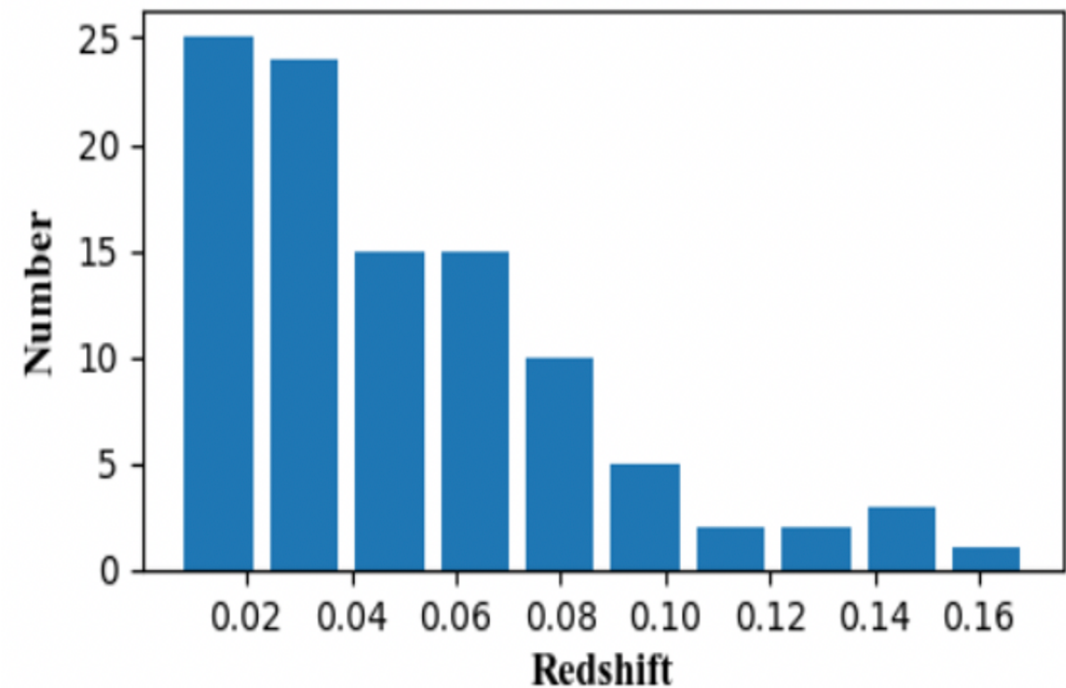
However, identifying them is challenging --> Theseus

EP simulations of tidal disruption event

✧ Expected results:

- ✧ Large, flux-limited samples of X-ray TDE (rate ~100 per year)
- ✧ Some detected at early/rising phase
- ✧ Well sampled X-ray light curves and spectra

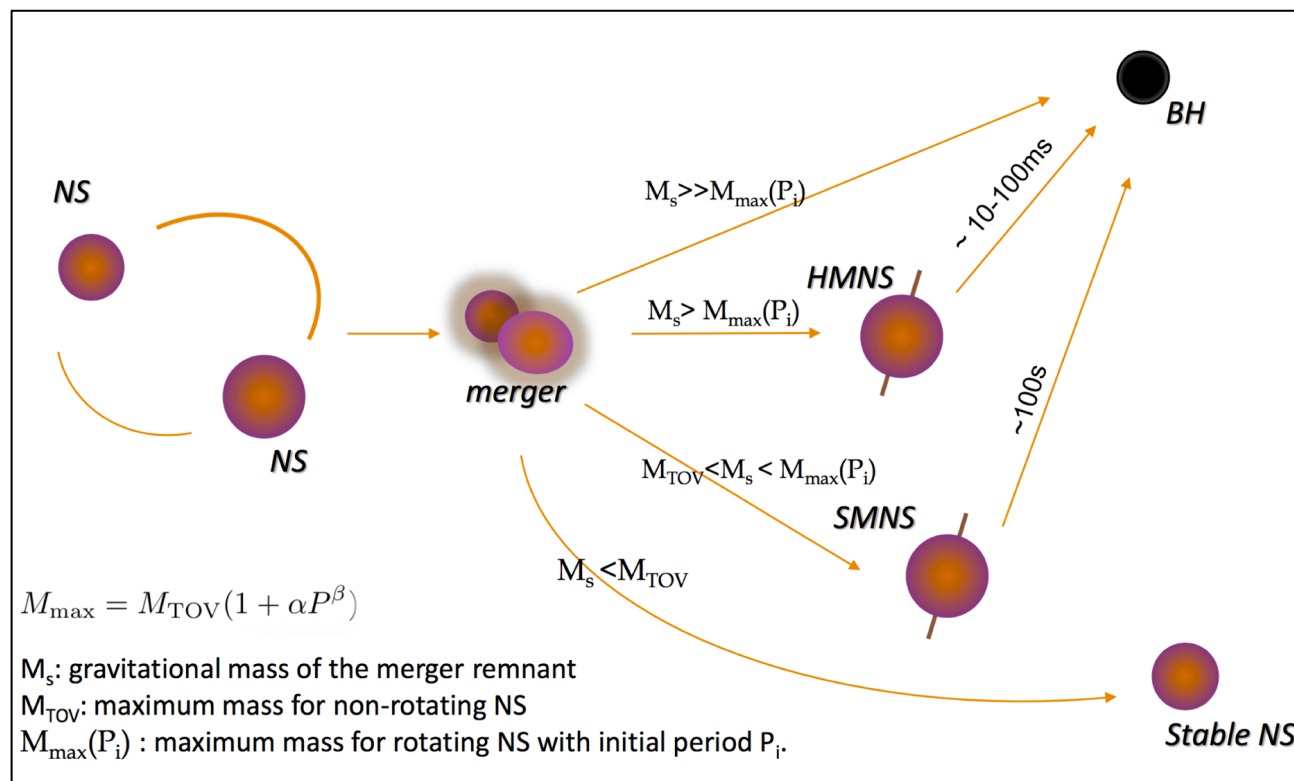
EP Simulated redshift distribution of TDE



X-ray transients from BNS merger magnetar

Binary neutron star (BNS) mergers can produce short Gamma-ray bursts (SGRBs), bright kilonovae, multi-wavelength afterglows (eg.. GW 170817, Abbott et al. 2017, Metzger 2017...)

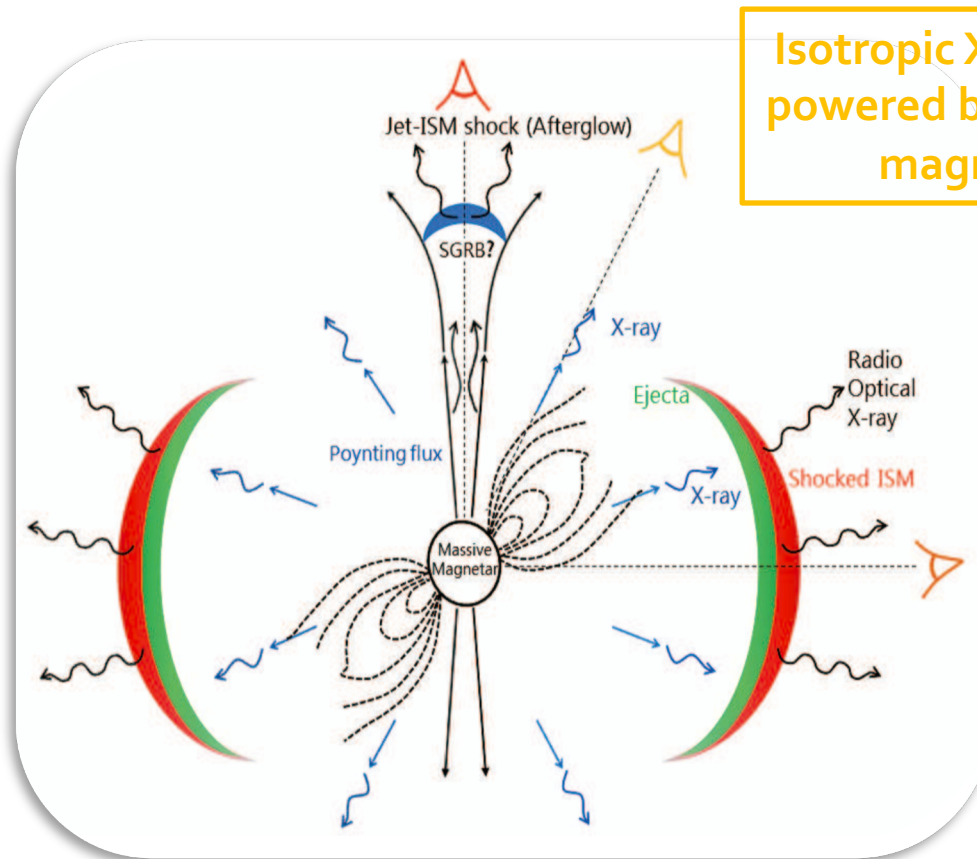
- ◆ The merger product of the BNS merger can be
 - ◆ black hole
 - ◆ short-lived hypermassive NS
 - ◆ long-lived NS (supramassive NS or stable NS)
- ◆ Depending on the NS equation of state and the mass of merger remnant.



see Sarin & Lasky 2020 for a review

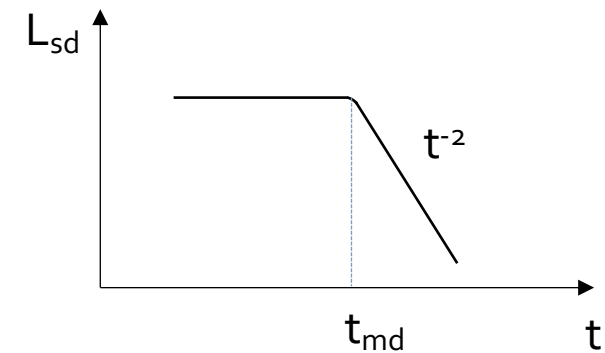
EM counterparts for Magnetar case

- ✧ The bright X-ray emissions are theoretically predicted lasting from **several 100s** to **several 1000s**.
- ✧ They are more like **isotropic** compared with on-axis SGRBs.
- ✧ Early X-ray detection can play a unique role in differentiate the post-merger products.



Isotropic X-ray emissions
powered by dissipation of
magnetic wind

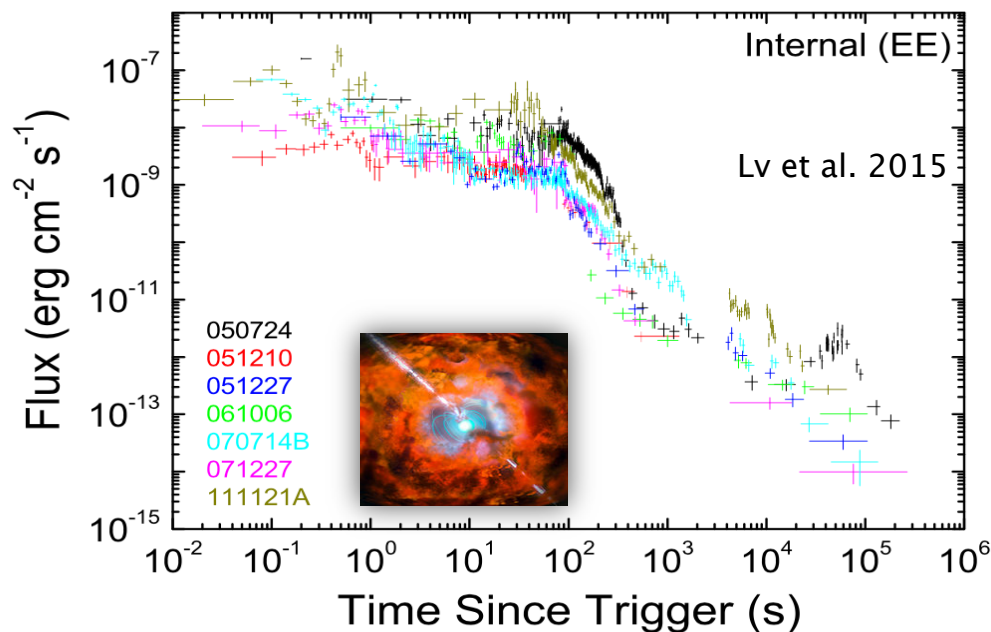
$$L_{\text{sd}} = L_{\text{sd},i} \left(1 + \frac{t}{t_{\text{md}}} \right)^{-2}$$



Zhang 2013, Gao et al. 2013

From **SGRB afterglows (EE+IP)** to SGRB-less X-ray transients

- ✧ The short GRB data are consistent with the hypothesis that the post-merger product of an NS–NS merger is a supra-massive neutron star.
- ✧ The existence of such a long-lived post-merger product opens some interesting prospects in the multi-messenger era.
- ✧ However, these GRB-related X-ray transients are rare due to the beaming constraint of GRBs.



From SGRB afterglows to SGRB-less X-ray transients

The Chandra Deep Field South

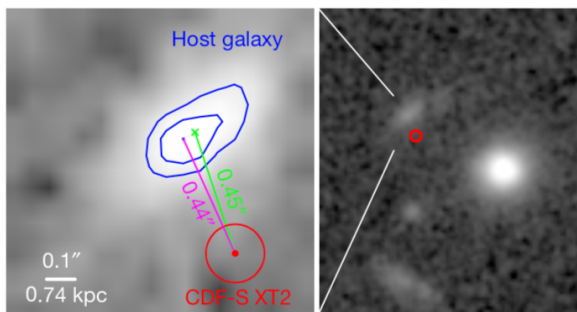
CDF-S XT2

$$L_{\text{peak}}(0.5-7\text{keV}) \sim 3 \times 10^{45} \text{ erg/s}$$

$$z = 0.738$$

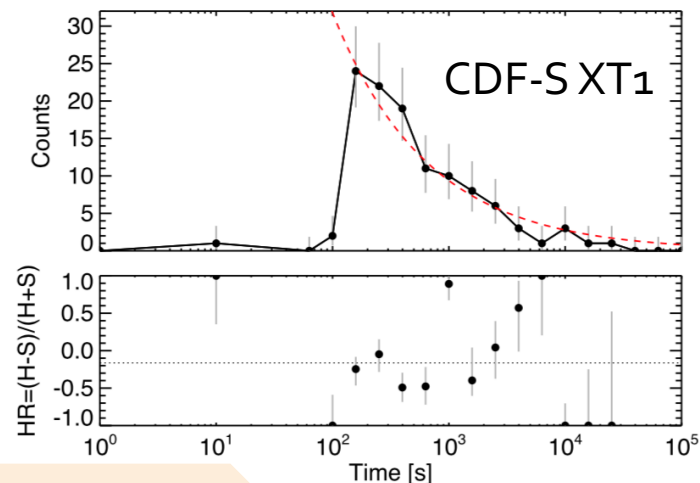
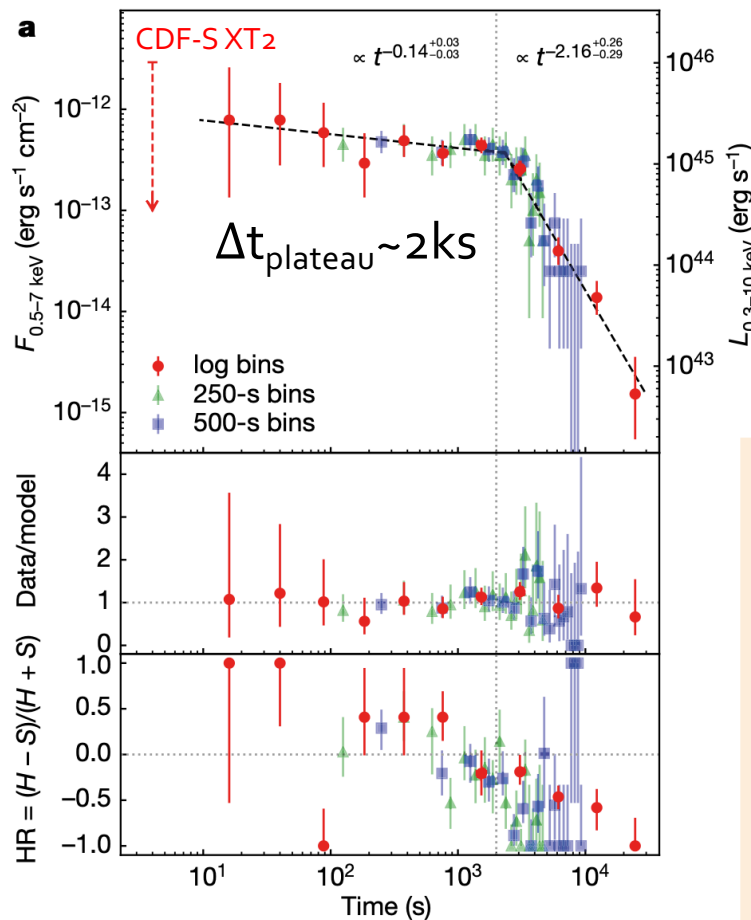
outskirts of its star-forming host galaxy, as short GRBs often do

LC is fully consistent with the X-ray transient powered by a millisecond magnetar.



HST/CANDELS F125W-band image

Xue et al. 2019



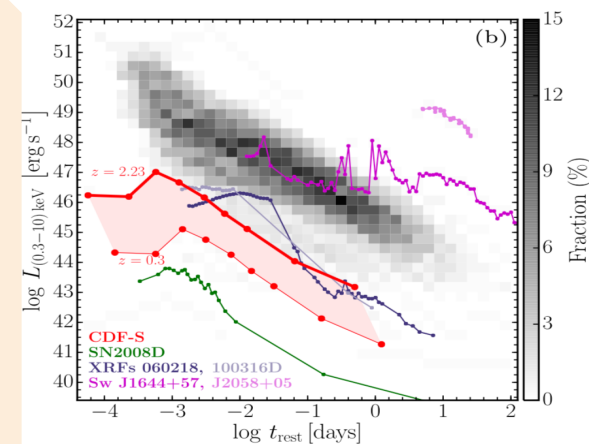
CDF-S XT1

$$L_{\text{peak}}(2-10\text{keV}) \sim 7 \times 10^{46} \text{ erg/s}$$

$$Z_{\text{ph}} = 2.23$$

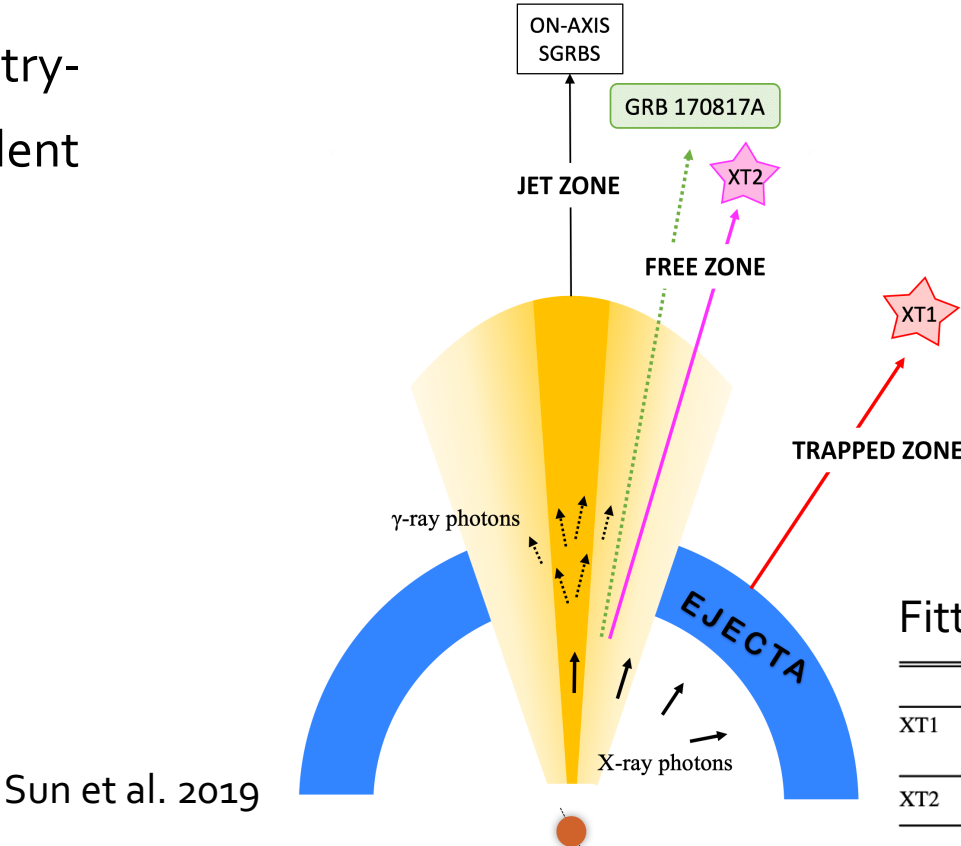
A new type of transient?

- ✧ Fainter than GRB afterglows
- ✧ Harder ($kT > 5 \text{ keV}$ at 3σ) than SN SBO
- ✧ Fast rise and harder than TDE

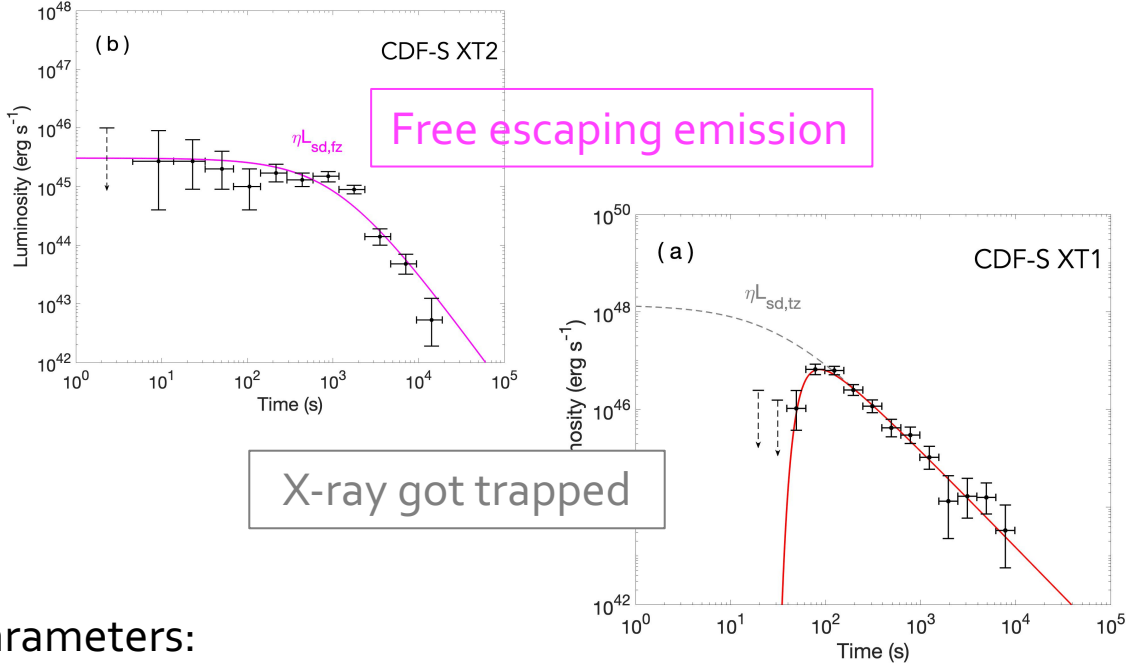


Unified magnetar model for CDF-S XT₁ AND XT₂

Geometry-
dependent



Sun et al. 2019



Fitting parameters:

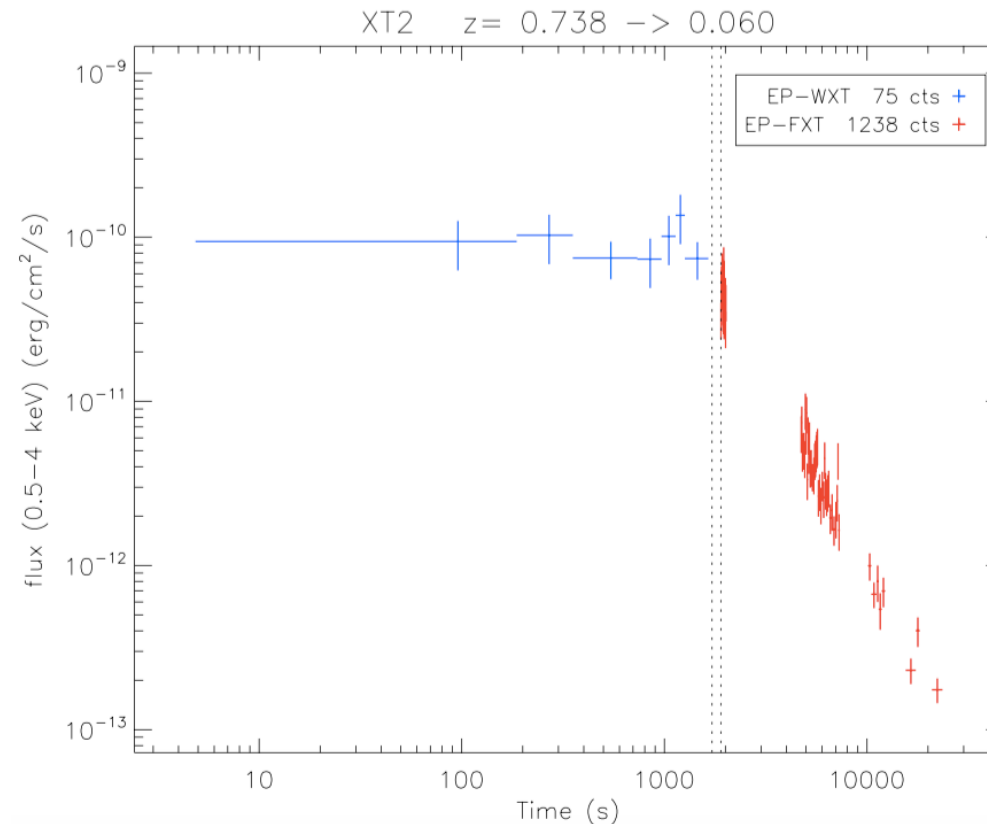
	Viewing Direction	Redshift	$L_p/(\text{erg s}^{-1})$	Γ_p	$B_p/(\text{G})$	$P_i/(\text{ms})$	η	$M_{ej}/(M_\odot)$
XT1	Trapped Zone	$2.23(z_{ph})$	6.8×10^{46}	1.43	10^{16}	1.2	0.001	0.001
XT2	Free Zone	0.738	2.7×10^{45}	1.93	$10^{15.8}$	4.4	0.001	...

- ✧ The event rate densities for XT₁ ($\sim 1100_{-900}^{+2500} \text{ Gpc}^{-3}\text{yr}^{-1}$) and XT₂ ($\sim 1400_{-1200}^{+3300} \text{ Gpc}^{-3}\text{yr}^{-1}$) are consistent with that of BNS mergers from GW 170817 ($1540_{-1220}^{+3200} \text{ Gpc}^{-3} \text{ yr}^{-1}$, Abbott et al. 2017).
- ✧ It is implied that a fair amount of BNS leave a magnetar as a product, i.e. **the M_{TOV} cannot be too small...**

Gao et al. 2016

EP detectability of XT2-type X-ray transients

Simulated EP observation of XT2 @ 250 Mpc



- ✧ detectable up to $\sim 300\text{Mpc}$ ($z \sim 0.07$), **match LIGO/VIRGO horizon**
- ✧ expected rate: 2 – 40 per year (with possible joint GW detection)

Summary

- ✧ The event rate density and luminosity function are provided for references of detectability predictions.
- ✧ Wide field high-energy telescopes, like Einstein Probe and THESEUS, will largely increase the number of extragalactic high-energy transients.
- ✧ If a fair amount of BNS leave a magnetar, one can expect the increasing detections of the magnetar-powered X-ray transients.
- ✧ The unified models can also be tested by future observations.

Thanks !