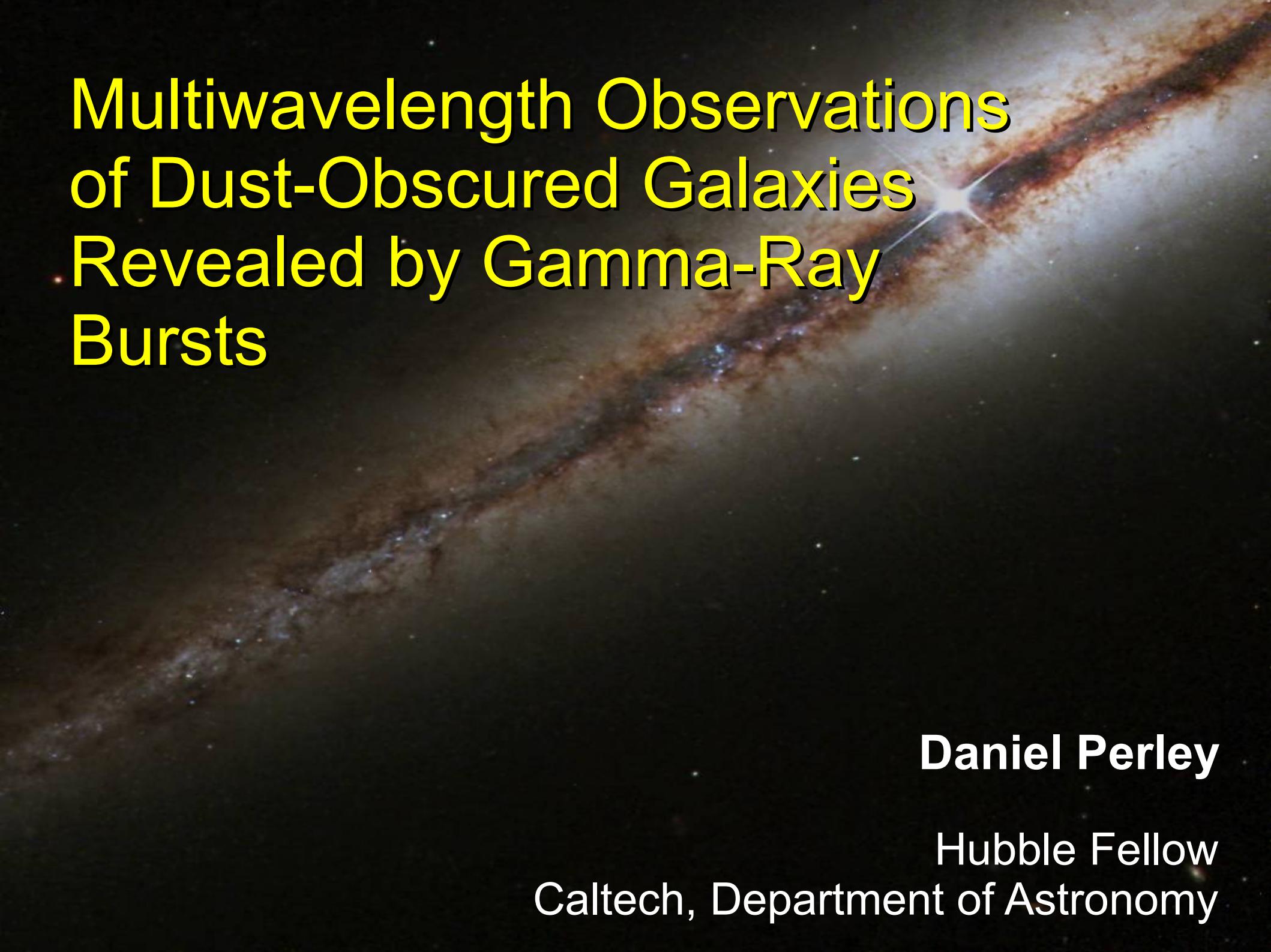


Multiwavelength Observations of Dust-Obscured Galaxies Revealed by Gamma-Ray Bursts



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Gamma-Ray Bursts

Motivation

Where are the dust-obscured GRBs?
Pre-Swift host galaxy results

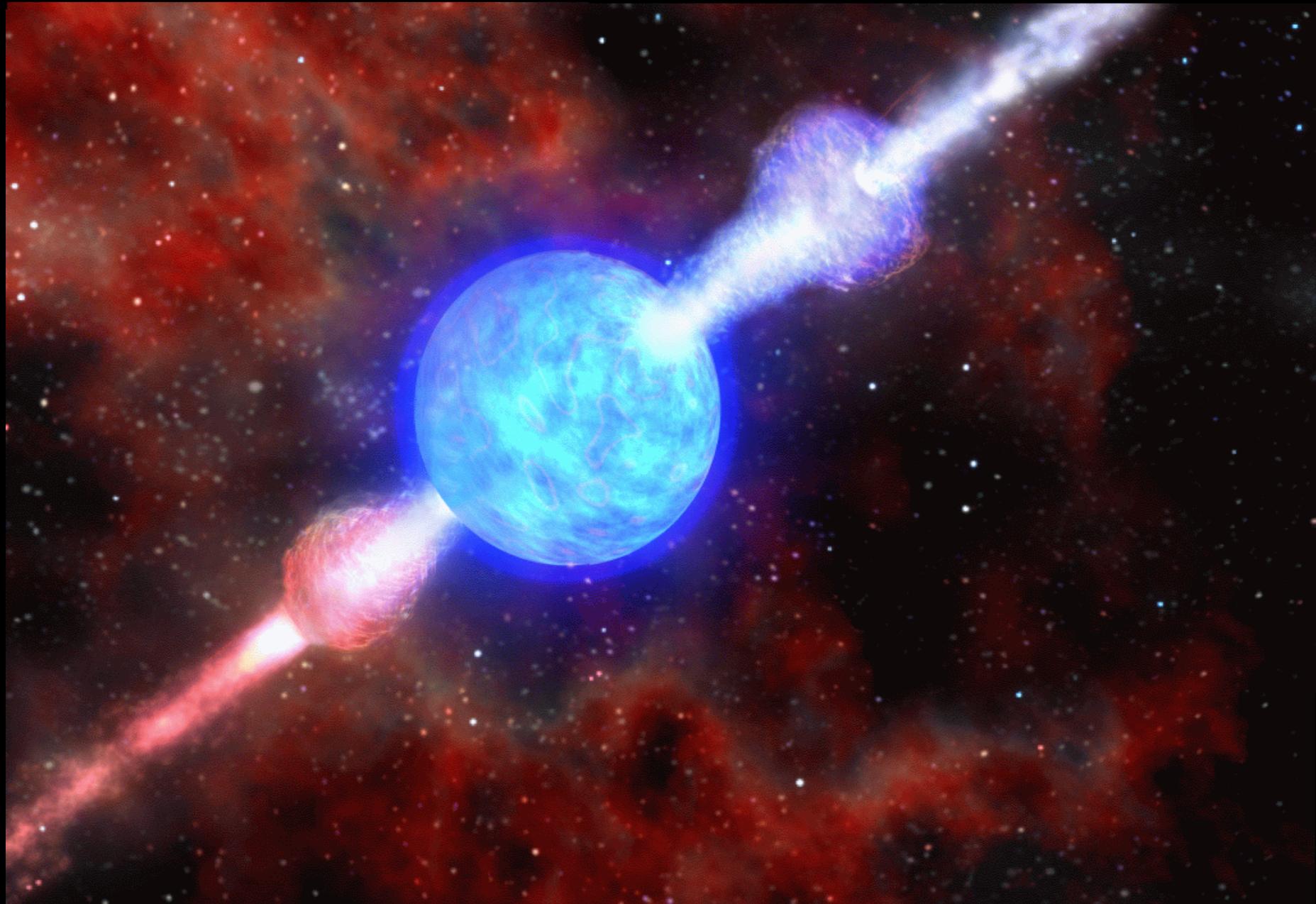
Dark Bursts

Dark GRB afterglows and dust extinction

Dark GRB host galaxies

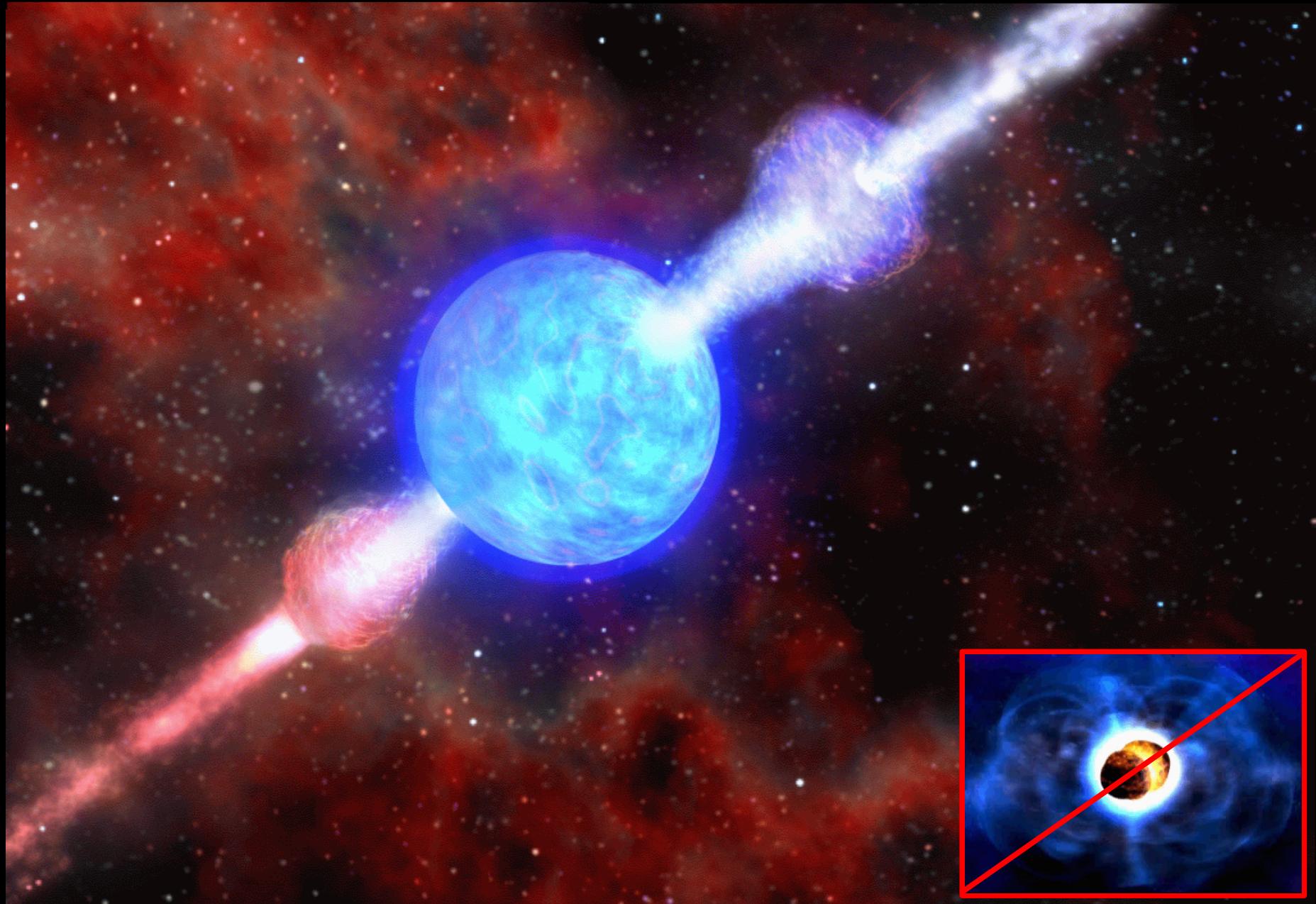


Gamma-Ray Bursts





(Long) Gamma-Ray Bursts





GRBs: Massive Stellar Core-Collapse

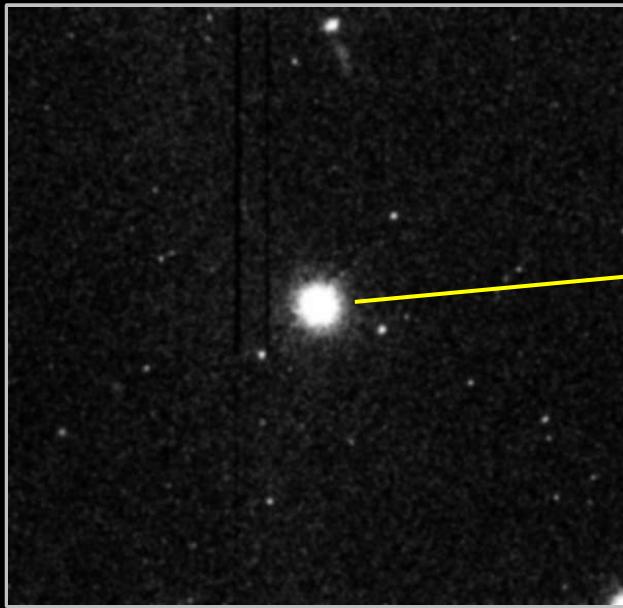




Lighthouses for the High-z Universe

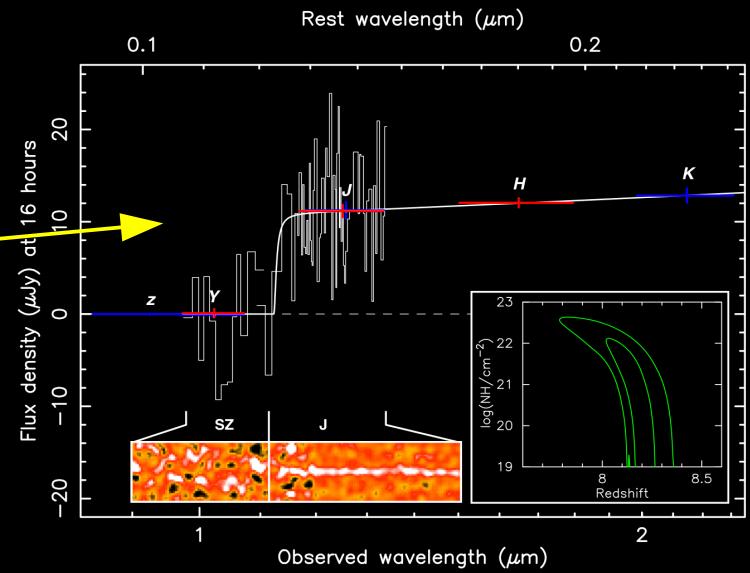
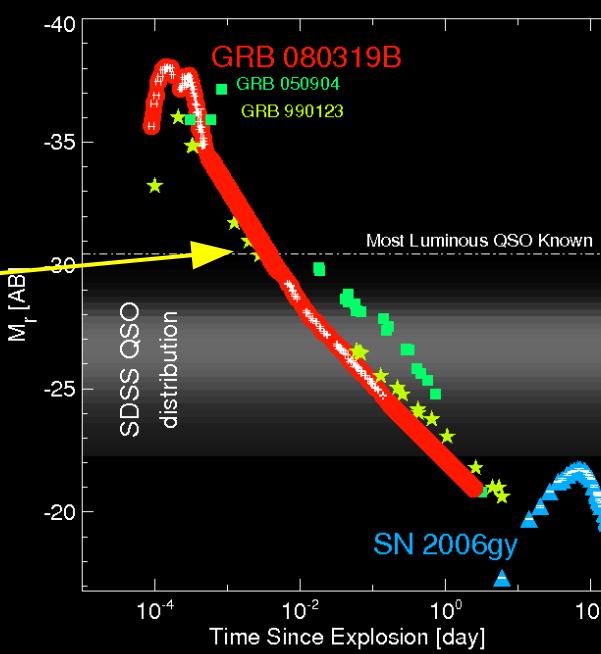
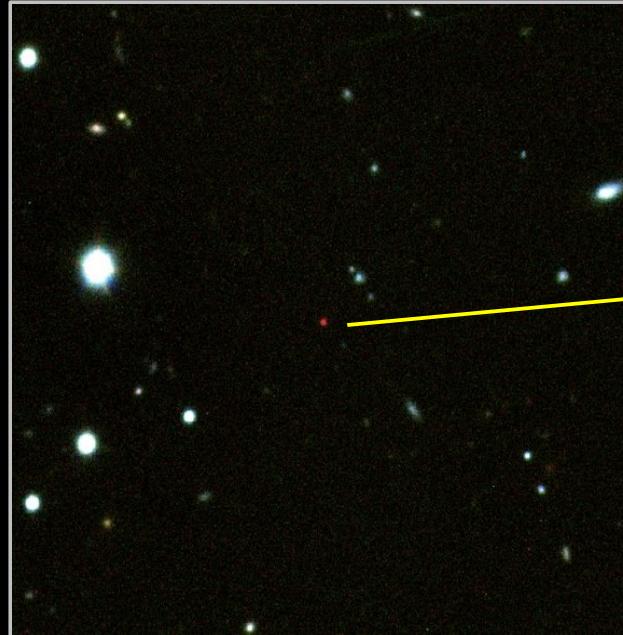
GRB 080319B:

$M_R = -39$ mag
at peak

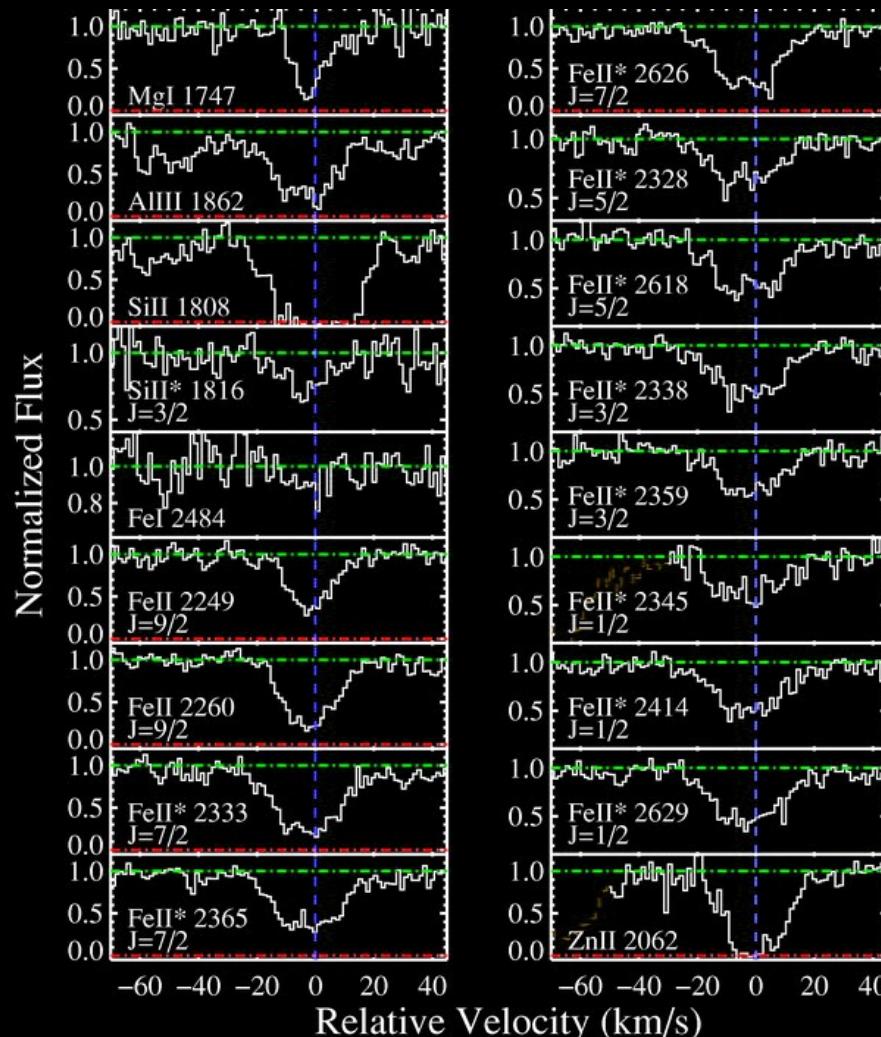


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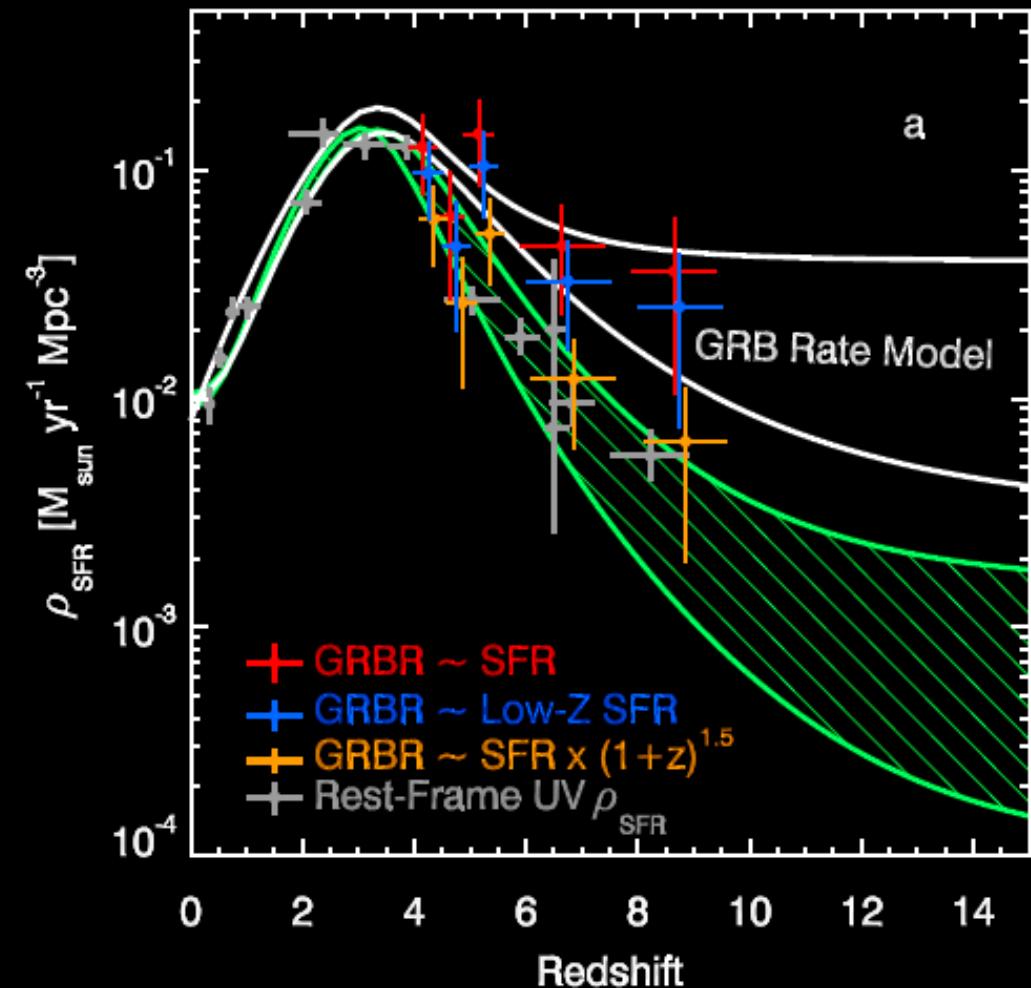
redshift $z = 8.3$



Probes of High-z SFR

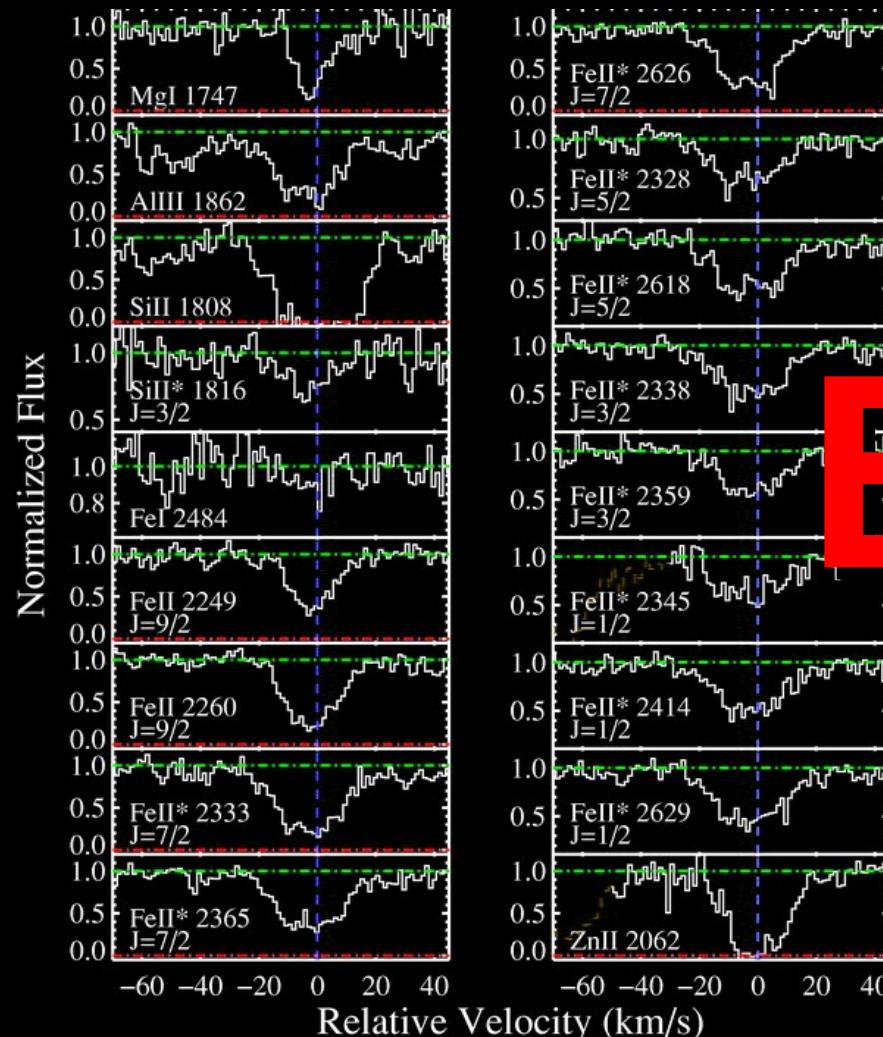


Prochaska et al. 2006



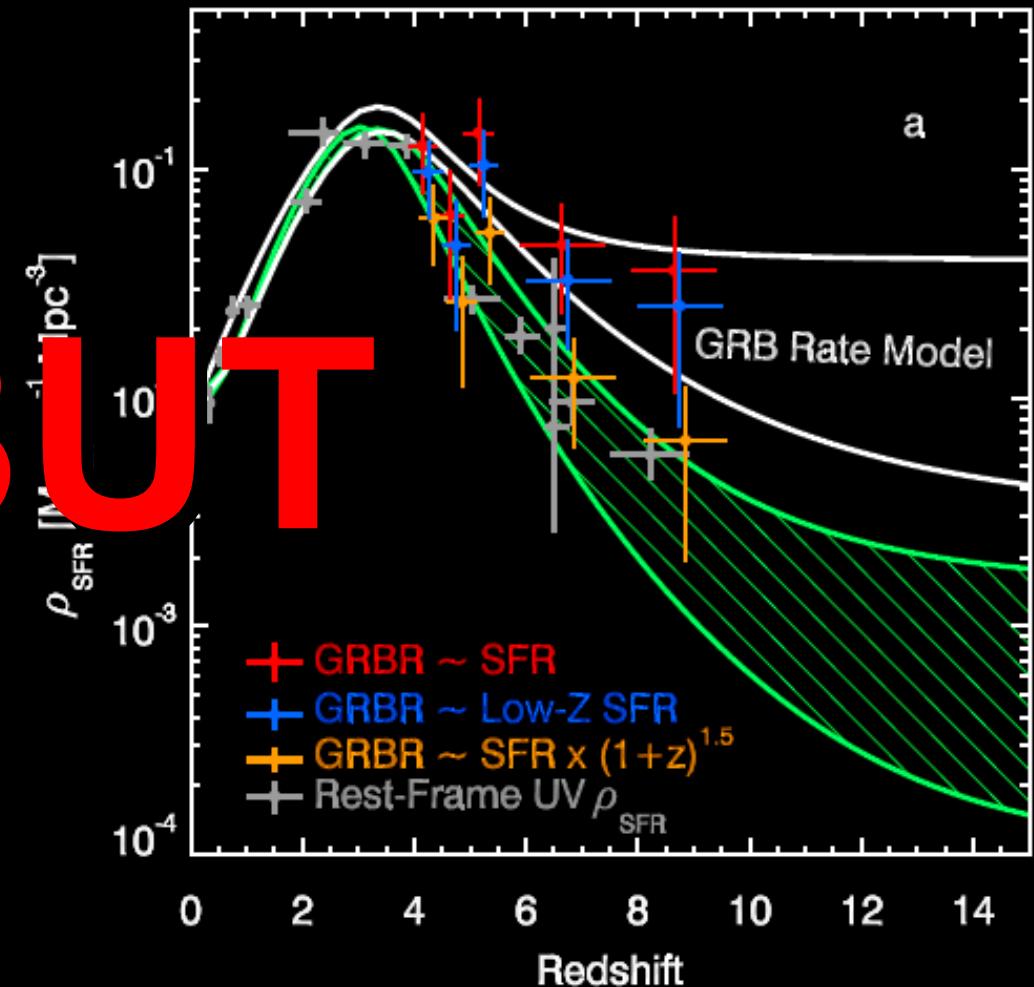
Robertson & Ellis 2011

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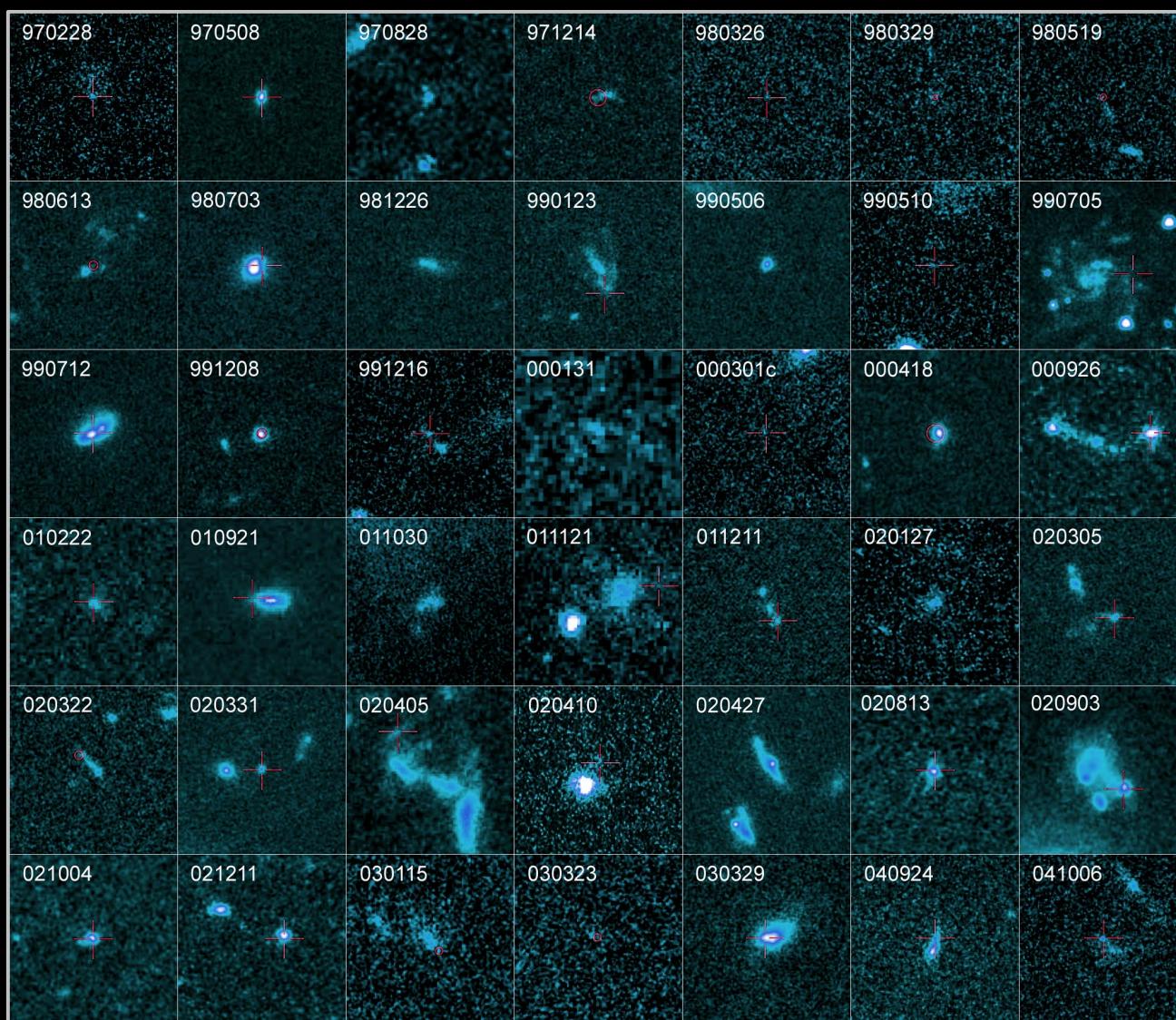
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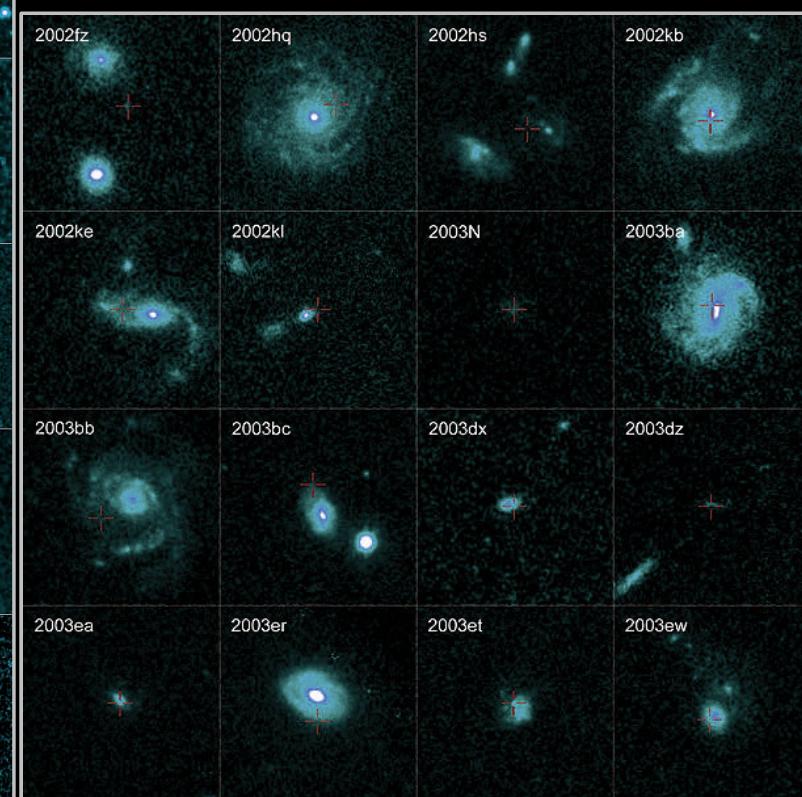


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Morphology Differences

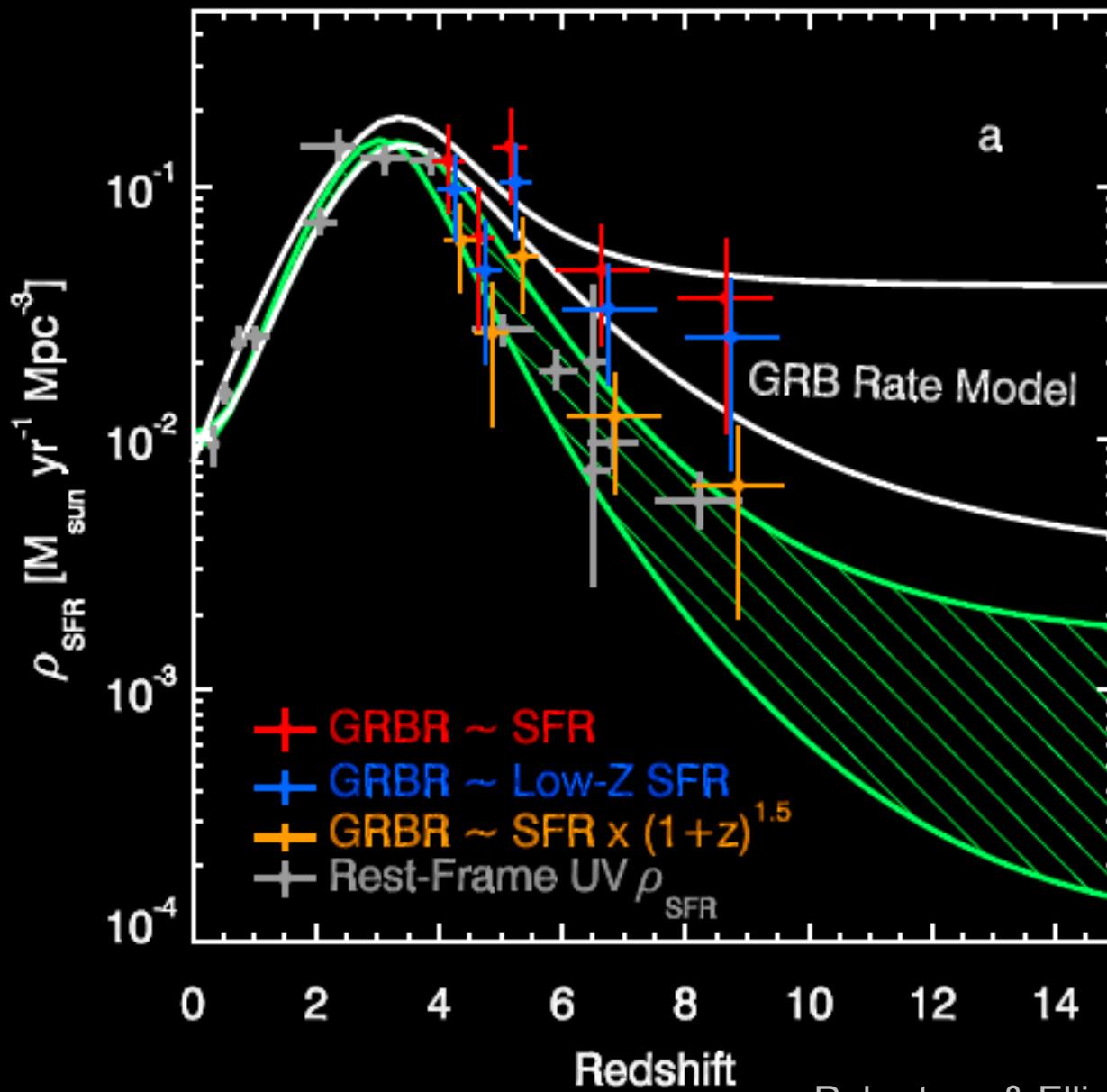


← GRB hosts
SN hosts ↓



Fruchter et al. 2006

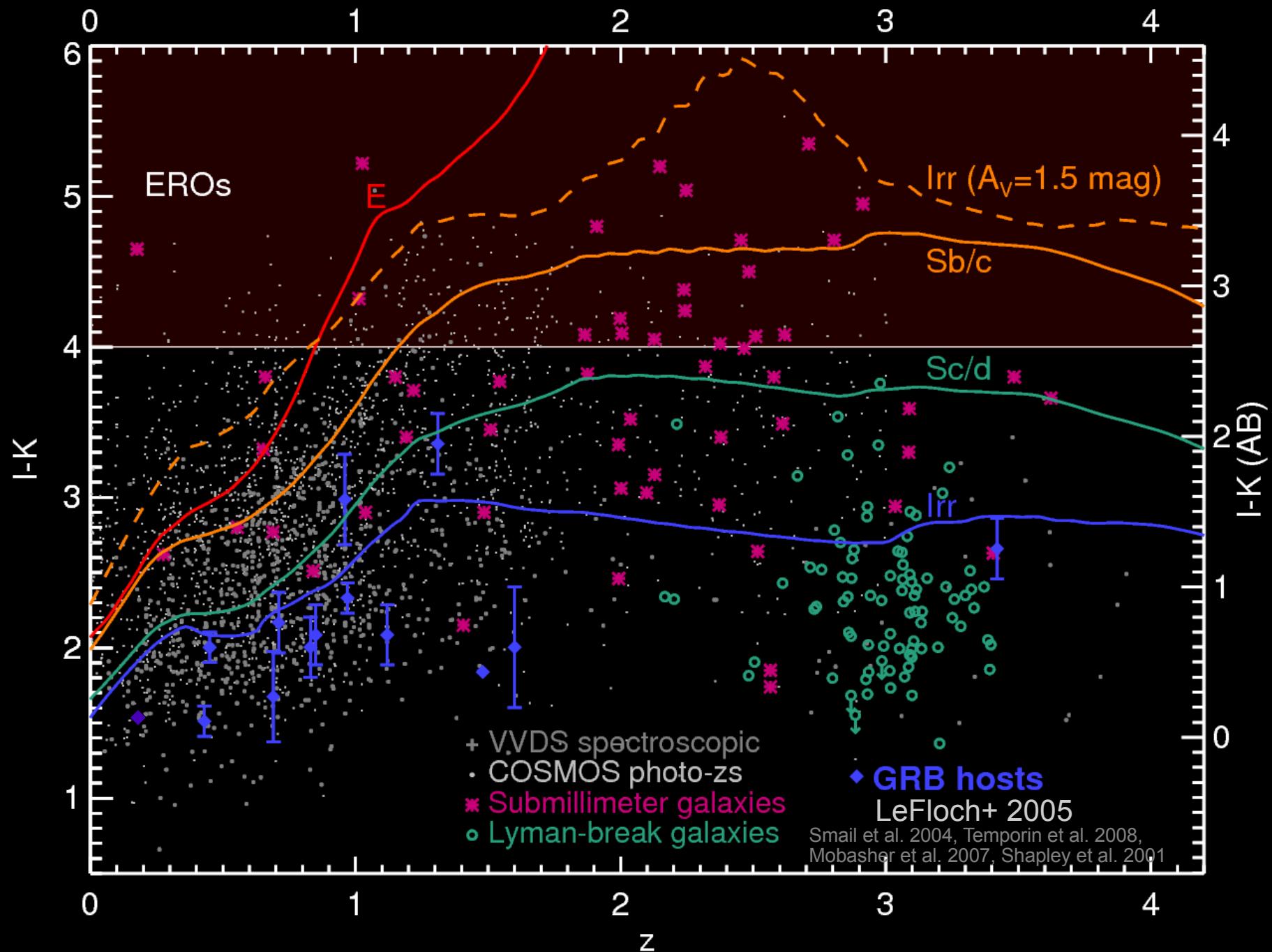
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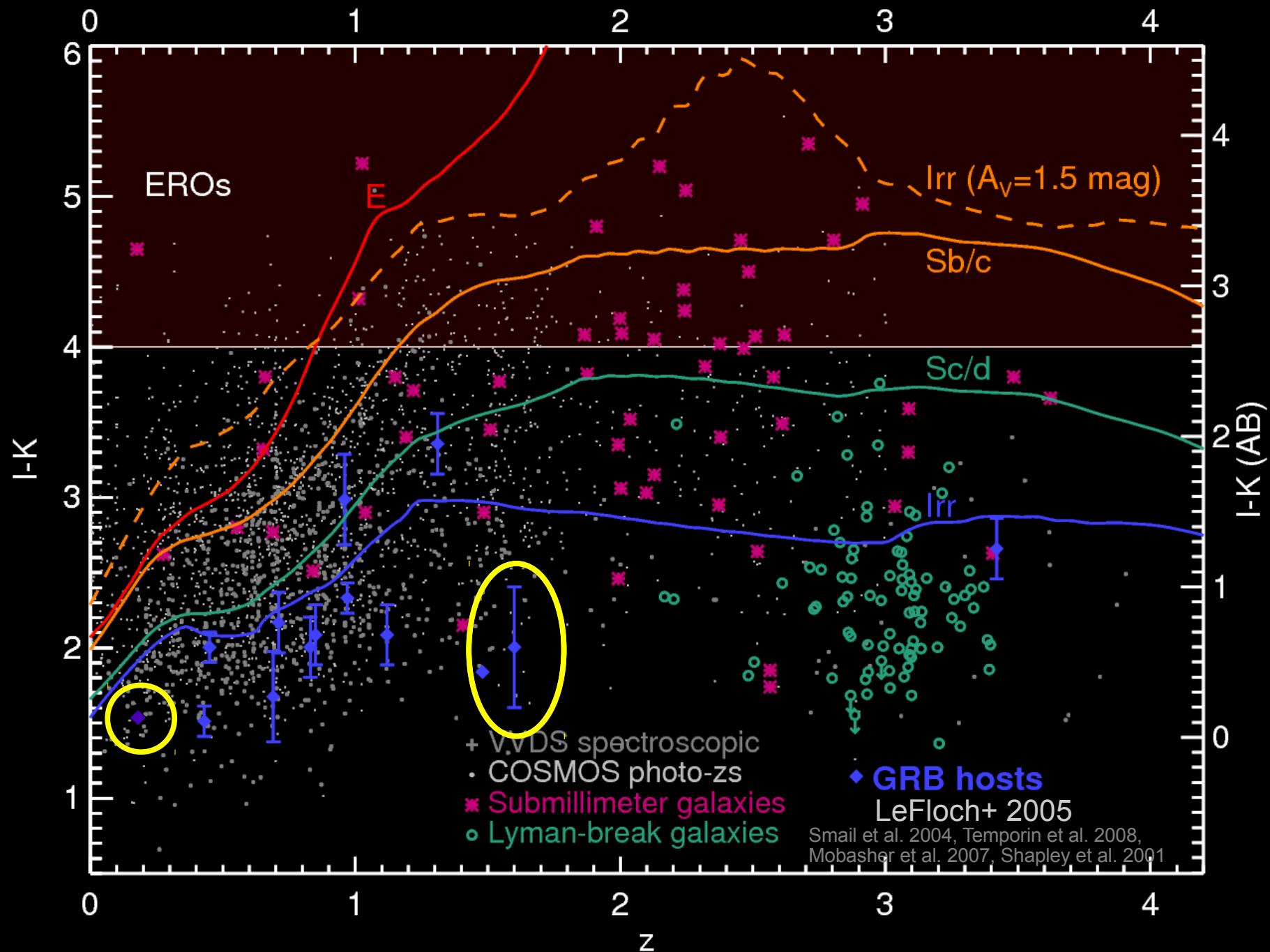
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See also
Kistler et al. 2008,
Kistler et al. 2009,
Butler et al. 2009

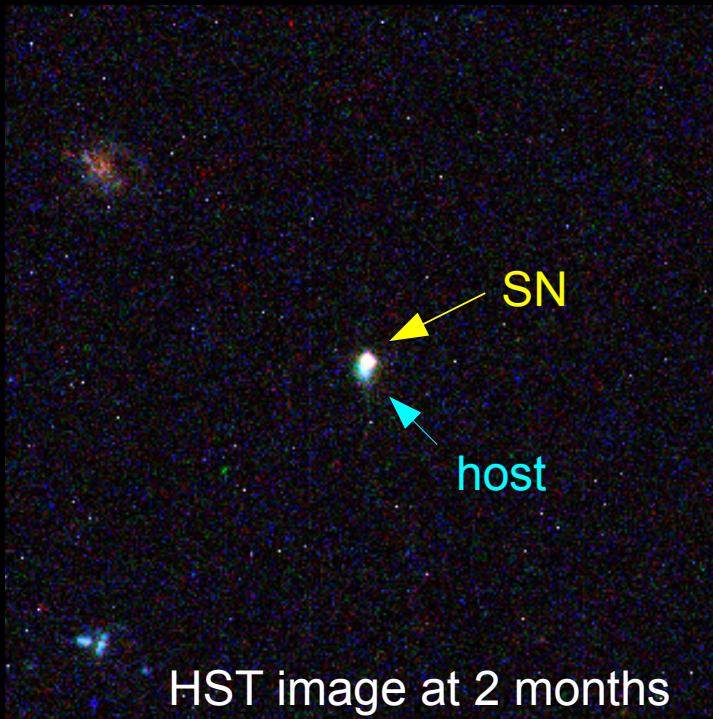
Color Differences



Color Differences

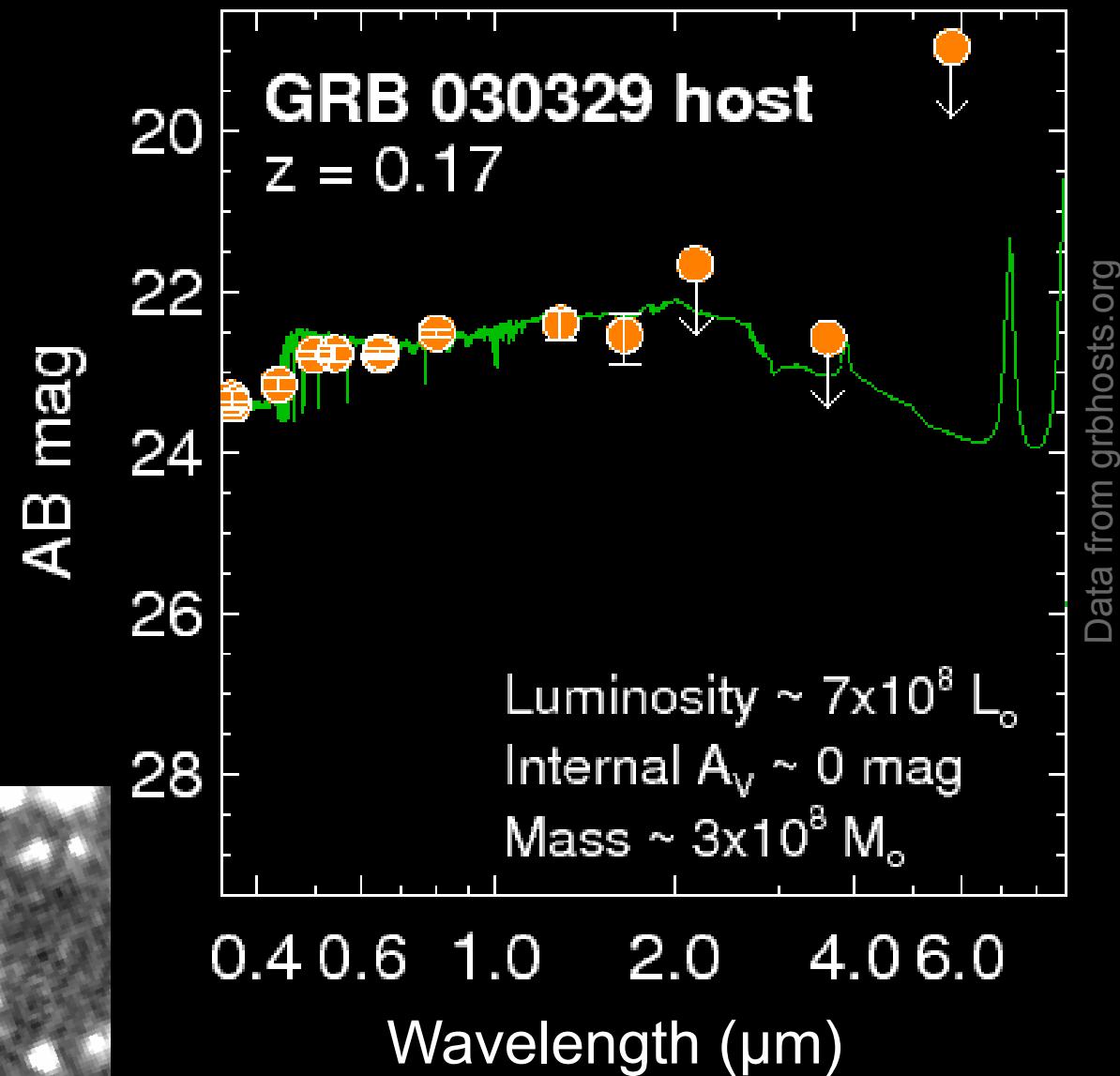
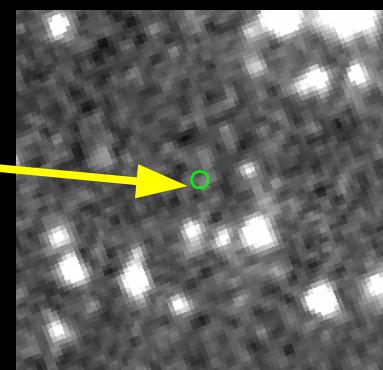


SED Differences

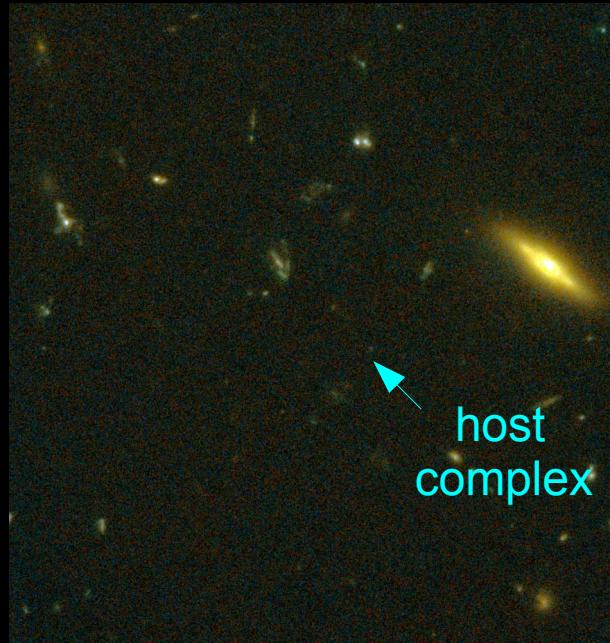


Host of GRB 030329
at $z = 0.17$:

No detection at
 $2.2 \mu\text{m}$, $3.6 \mu\text{m}$,
 $5.8 \mu\text{m}$...



SED Differences

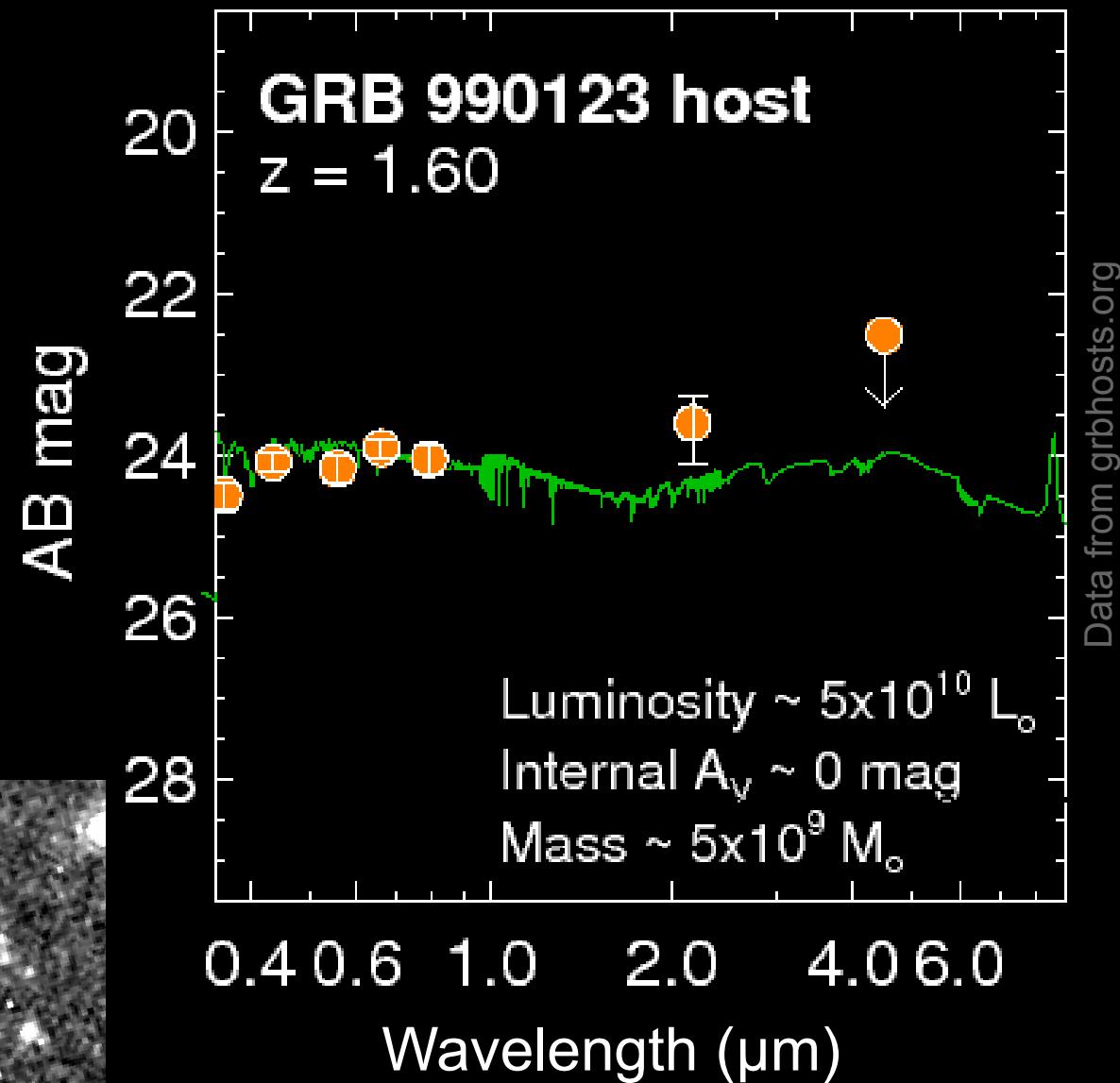
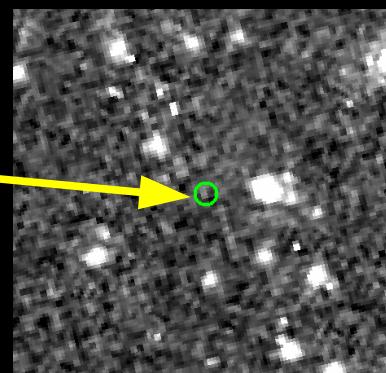


HST image at 2 months

Fruchter et al. 2003

Host of GRB 990123
at $z = 1.60$:

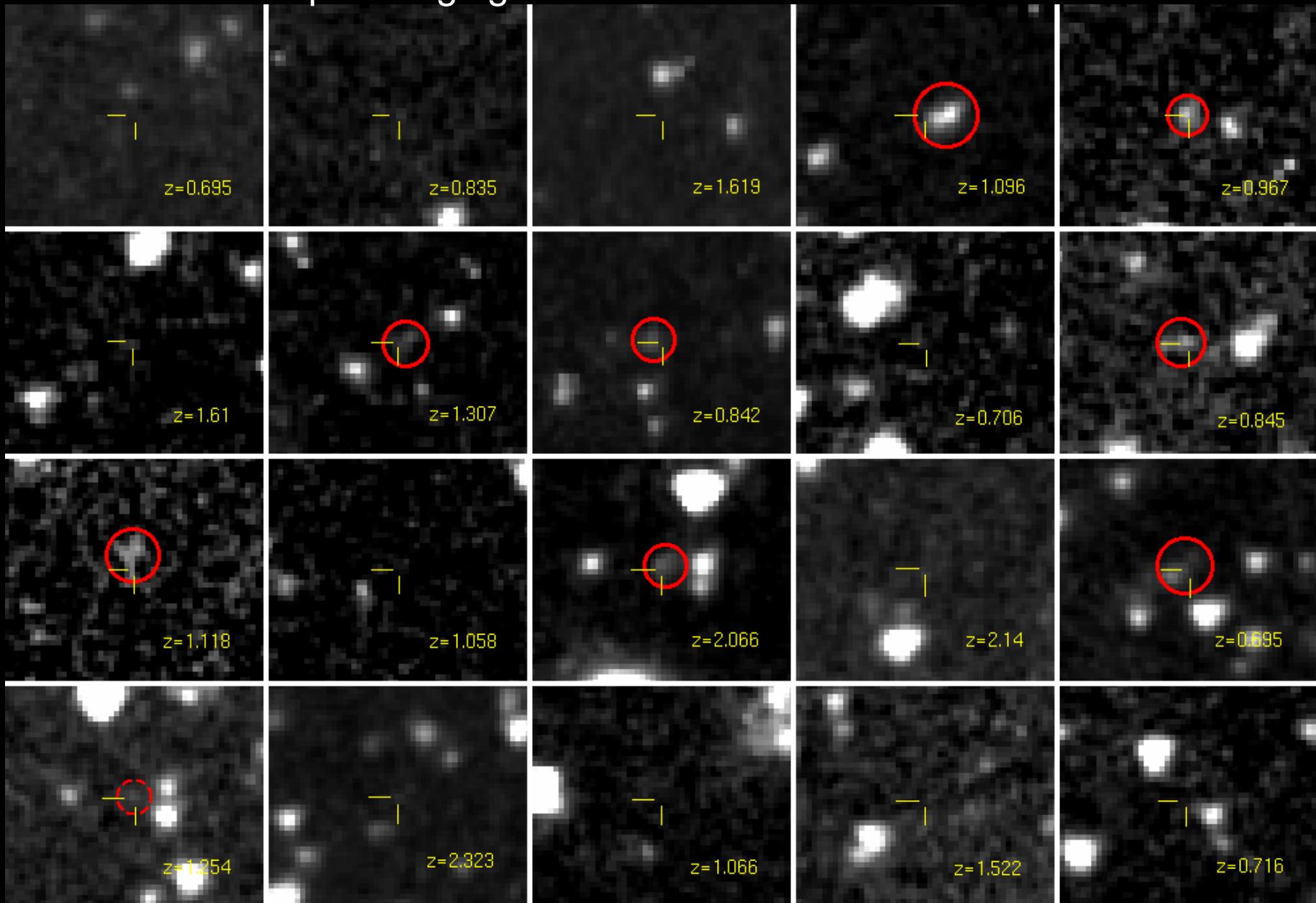
No detection at
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Mass/Luminosity Differences

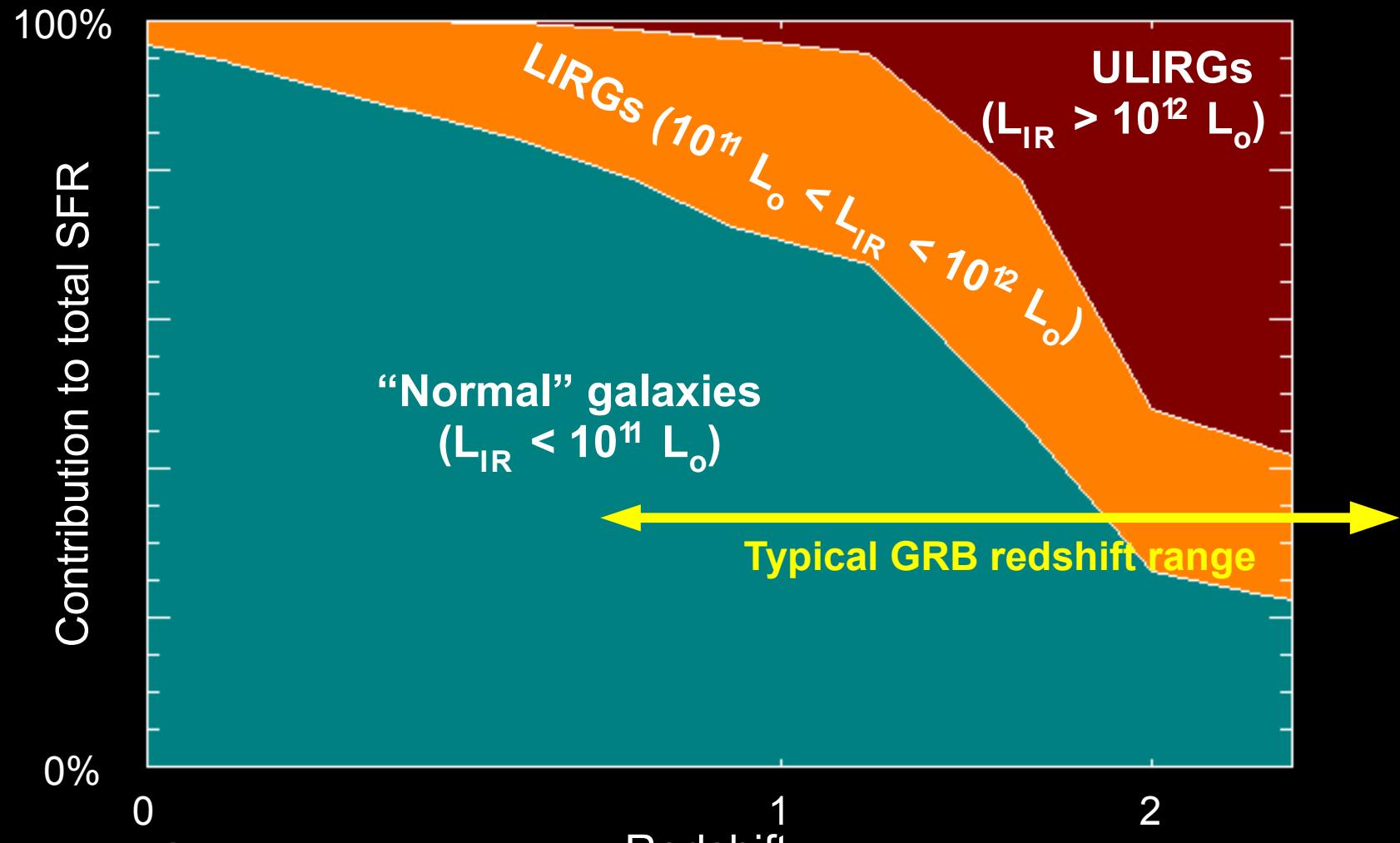
Pre-Swift IRAC 3.6/4.5 μm Imaging





Mass/Luminosity Differences

Luminous, obscured galaxies dominate at $z > 1.5$

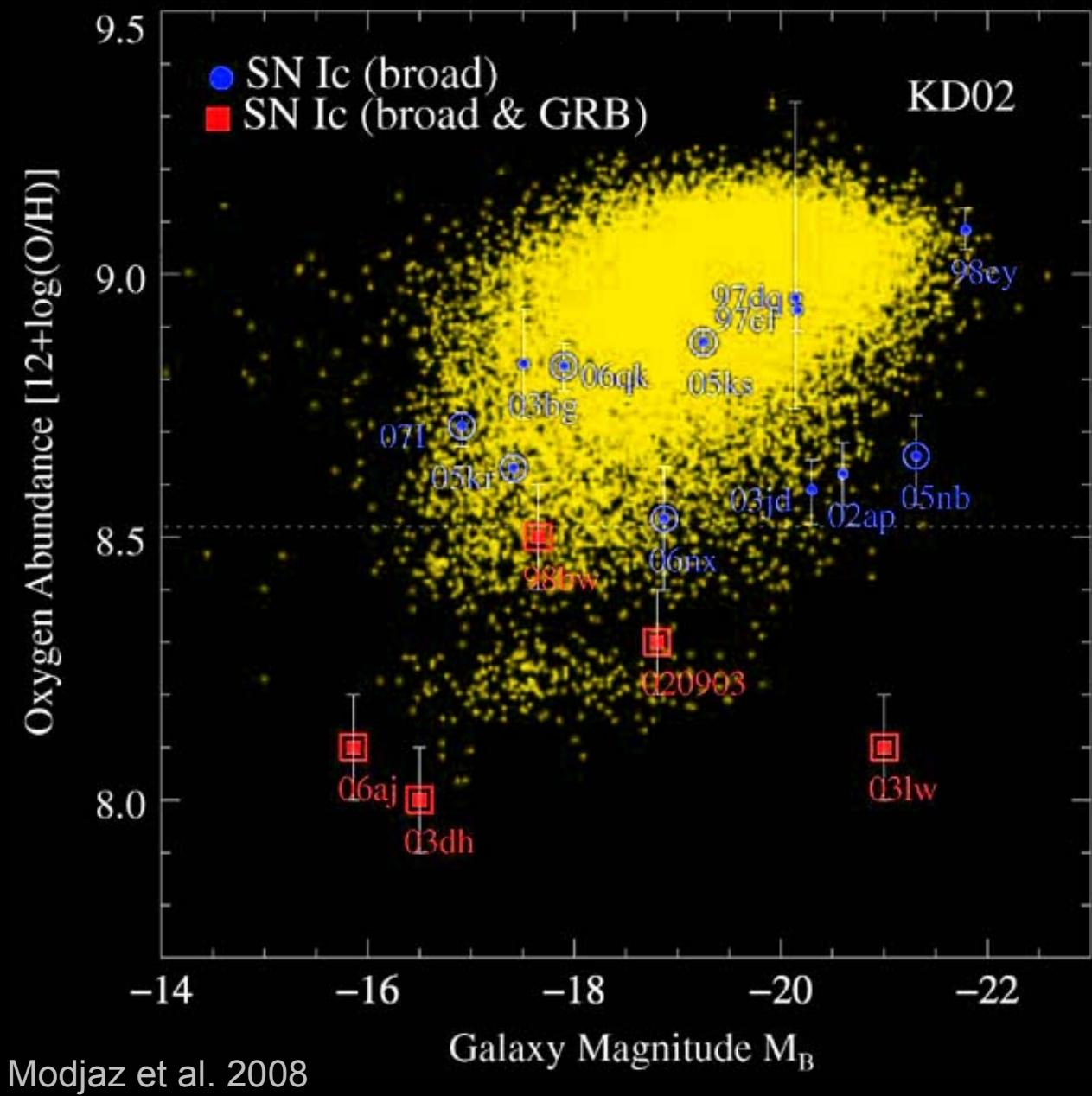


Modified from Perez-Gonzales et al. 2005

(model assuming $\alpha = -1.7$)



Metallicity Differences





GRBs: a “Biased” Tracer?

Stanek et al. 2006,
Wolf & Podsiadlowski et al. 2007,
Modjaz et al. 2008,

Metallicity cut-off —

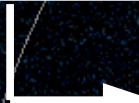
$$Z_{\text{GRB}} \lesssim 0.4\text{-}0.9 Z_{\text{Solar}}$$

But, c.f. Savaglio et al. 2008, Chen et al. 2009, Kocevski et al. 2010, etc.



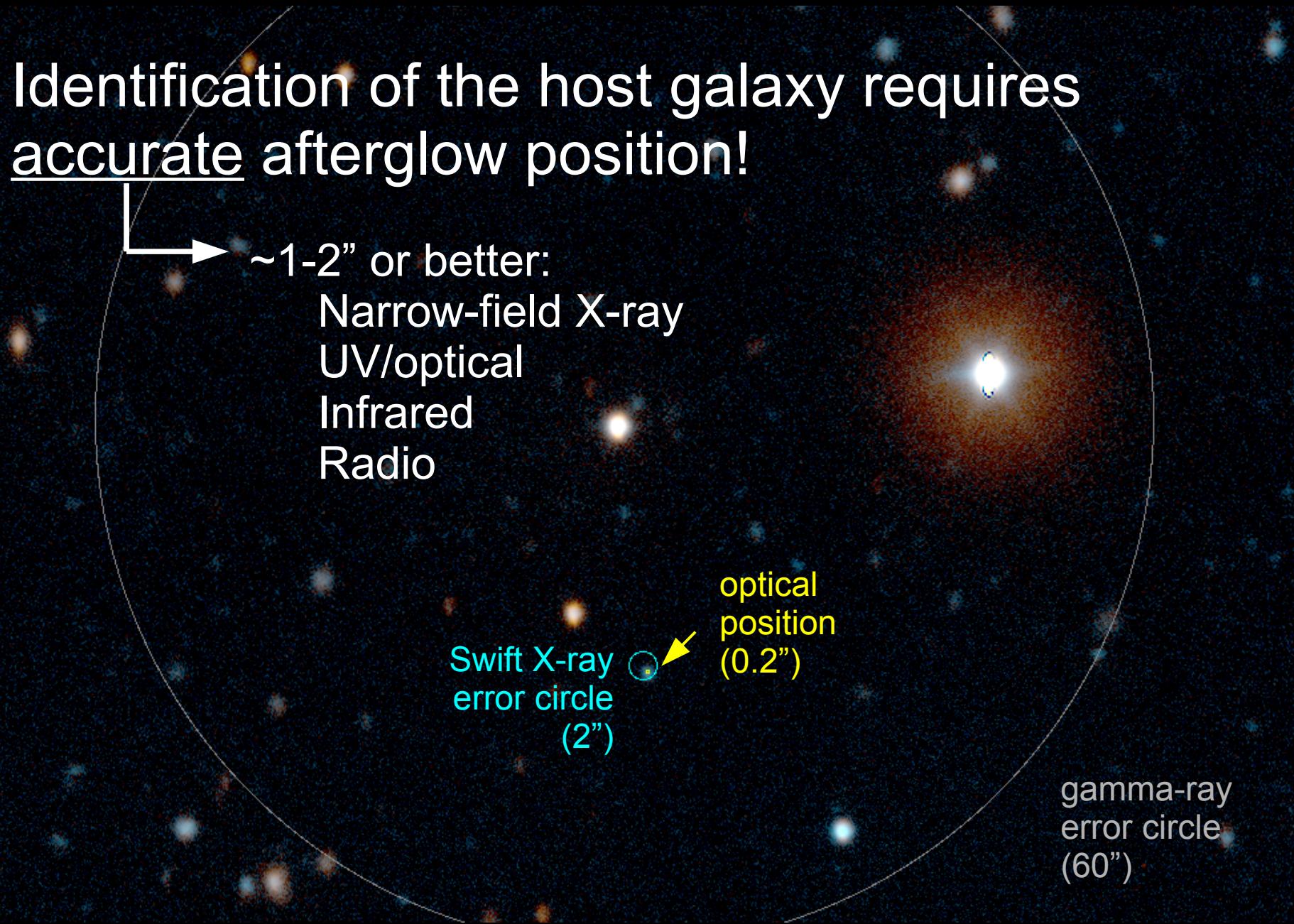
Optical Selection Biases

Identification of the host galaxy requires
accurate afterglow position!



~1-2" or better:

- Narrow-field X-ray
- UV/optical
- Infrared
- Radio



Swift X-ray
error circle
(2")

optical
position
(0.2")

gamma-ray
error circle
(60")



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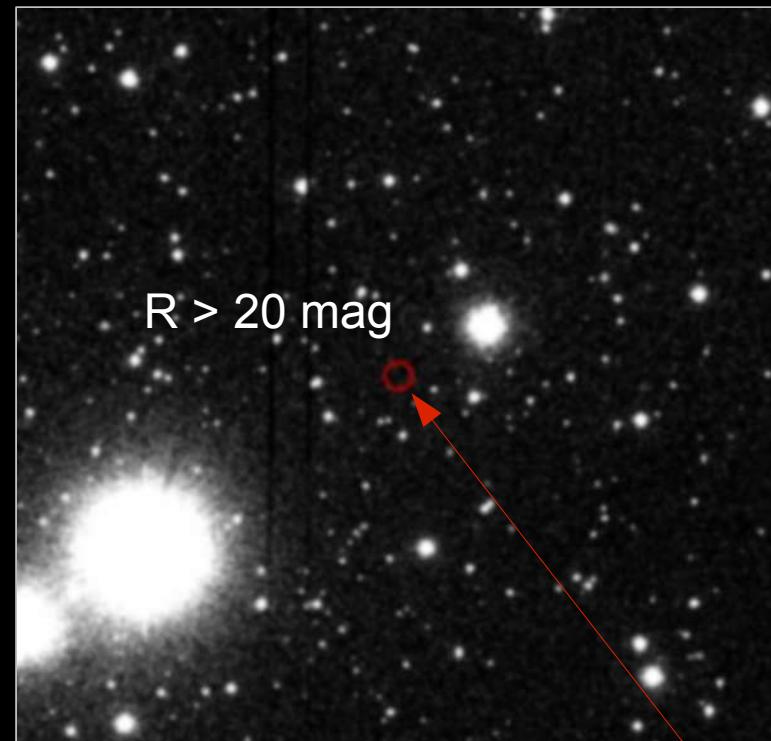
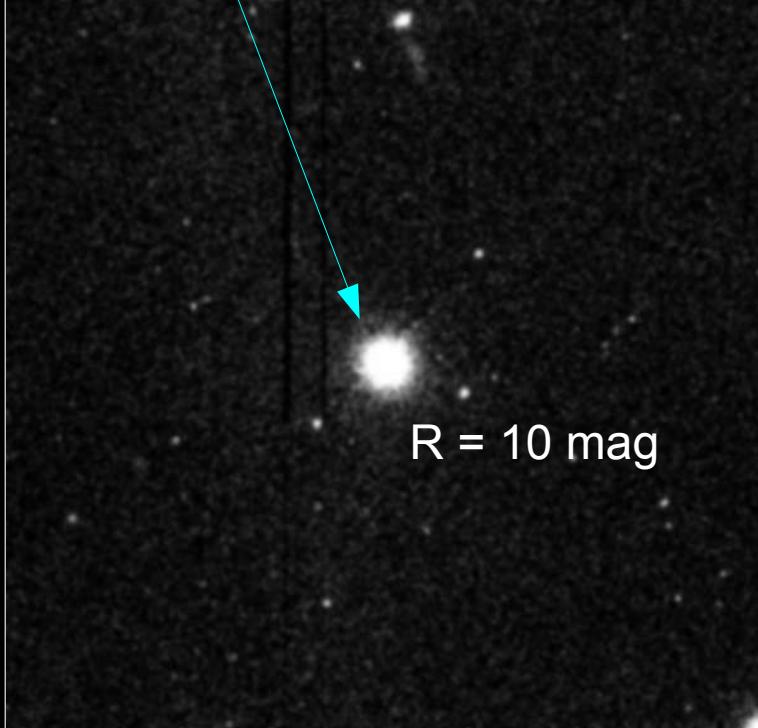
Not commonly available
pre-Swift (before 2005)

Not commonly available pre- or
post-Swift (<20% of GRBs)

Dark Bursts

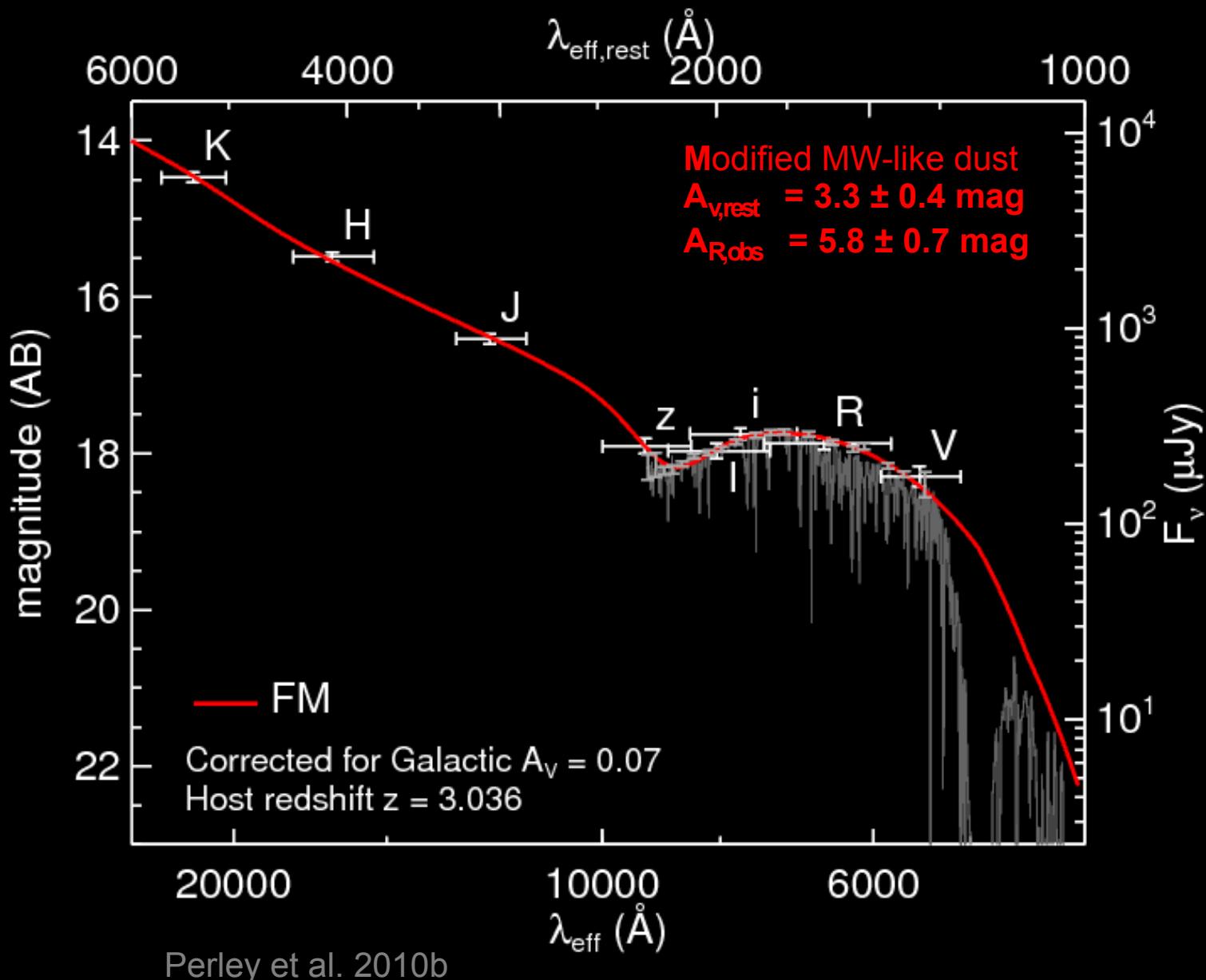
GRB 080319B
at ~200 sec

Some GRBs have exceedingly faint
optical afterglows.

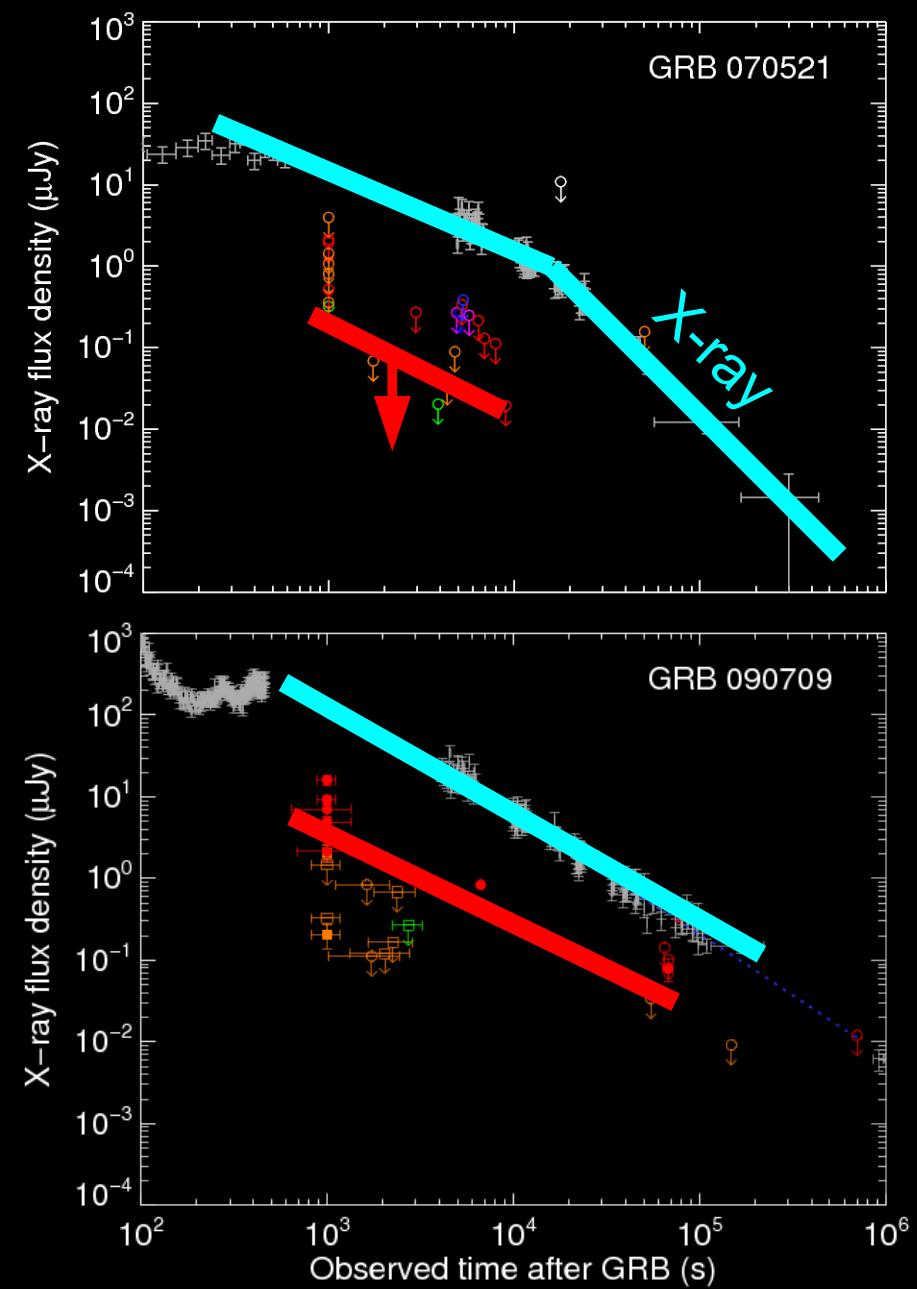
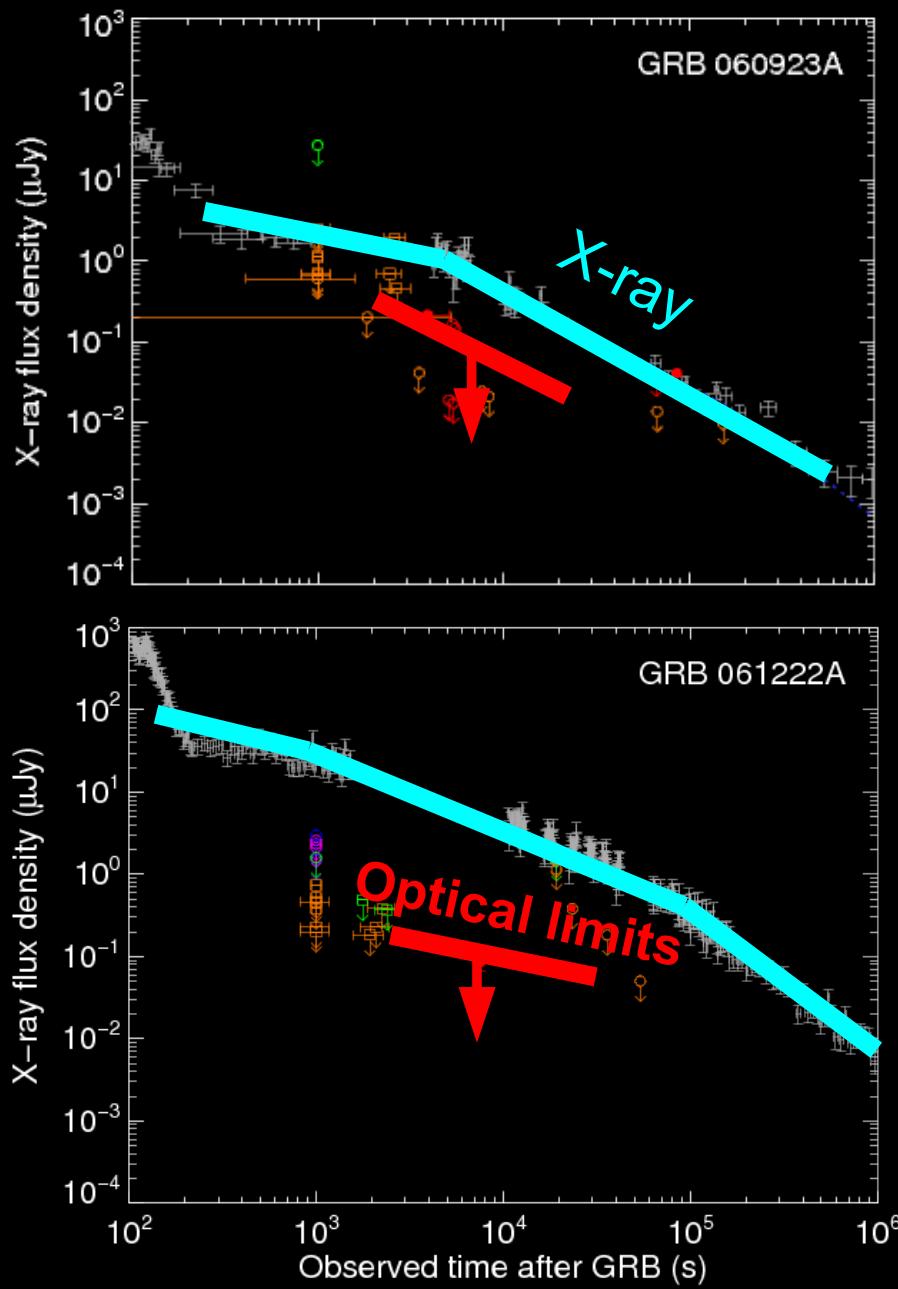


X-ray position of
GRB 061222A
at ~200 sec

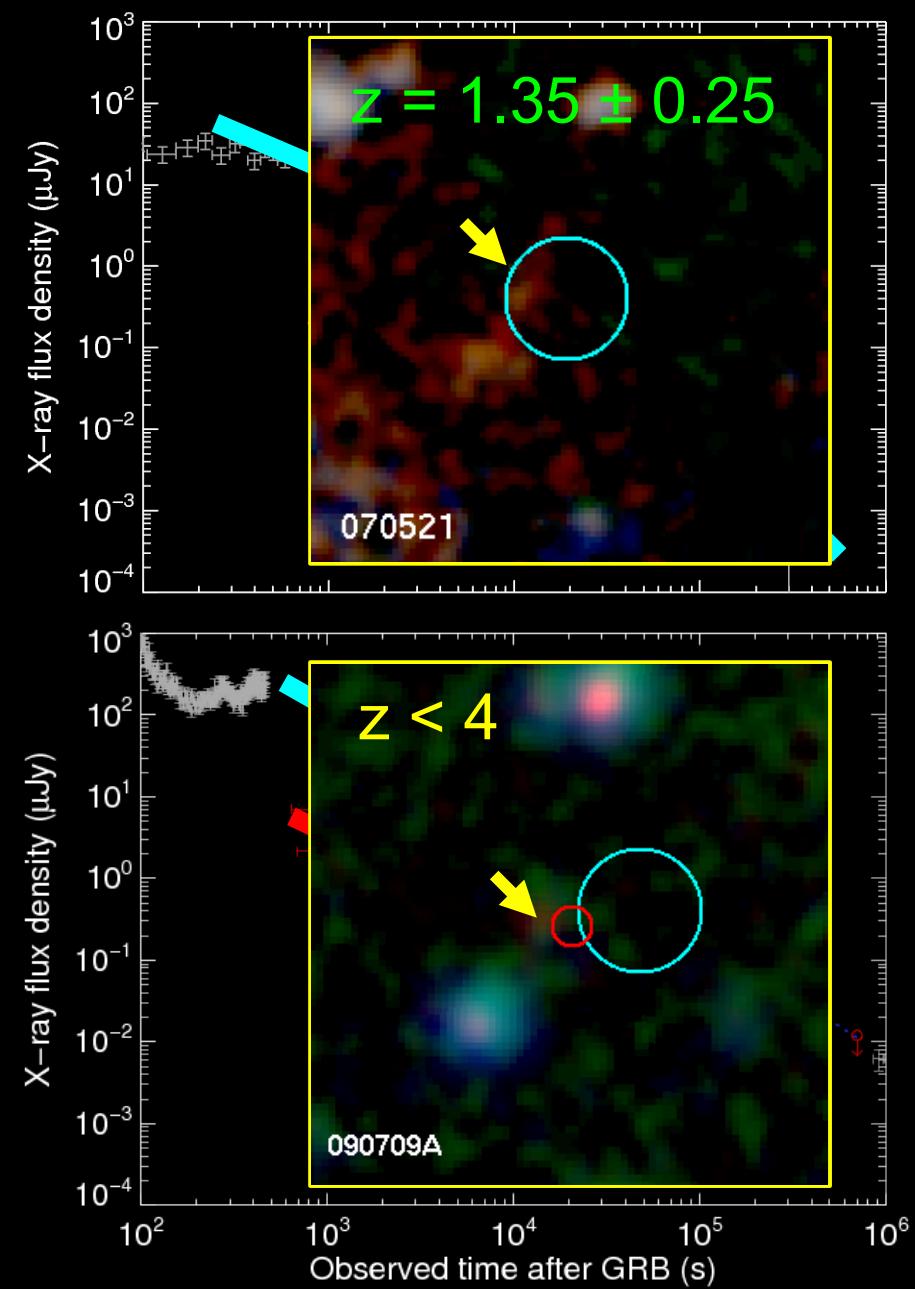
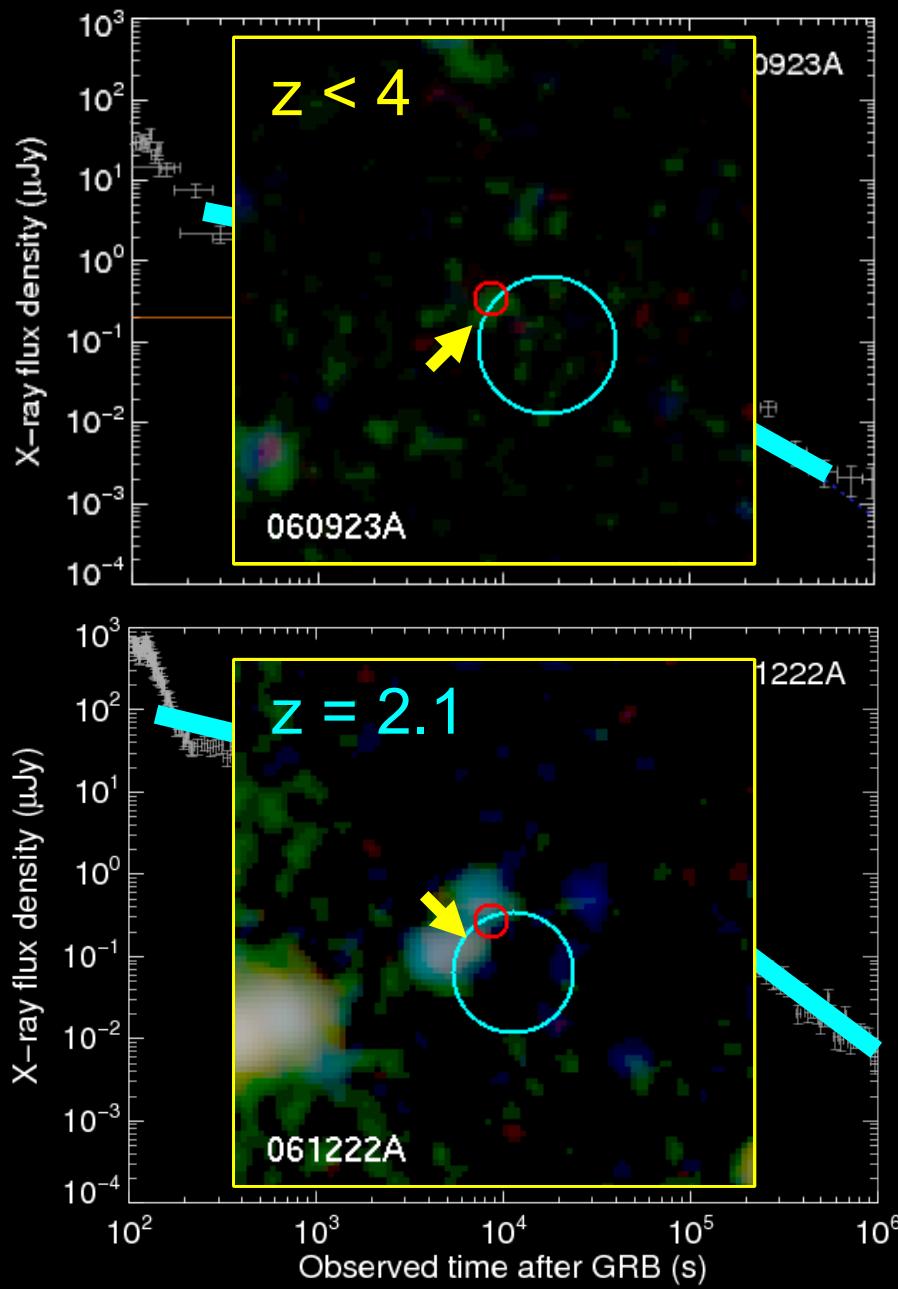
Direct Evidence for Extinction



Indirect Evidence for Extinction



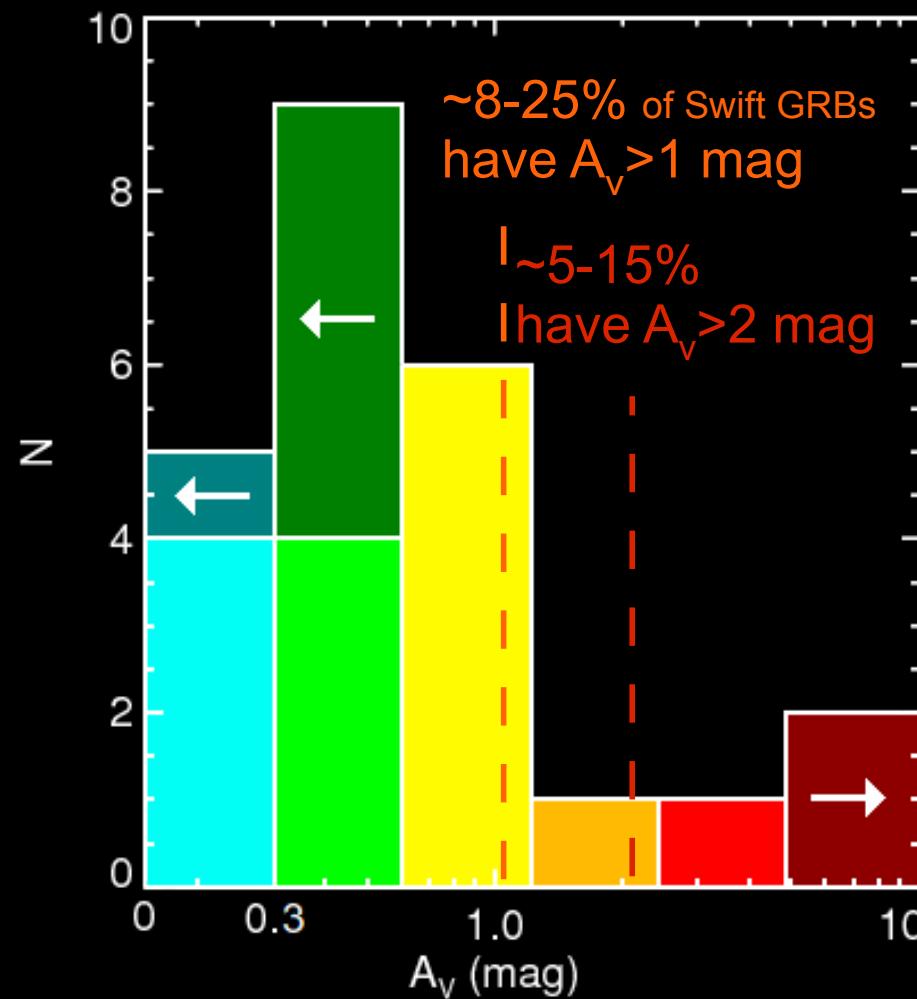
Indirect Evidence for Extinction





Extinction Distribution

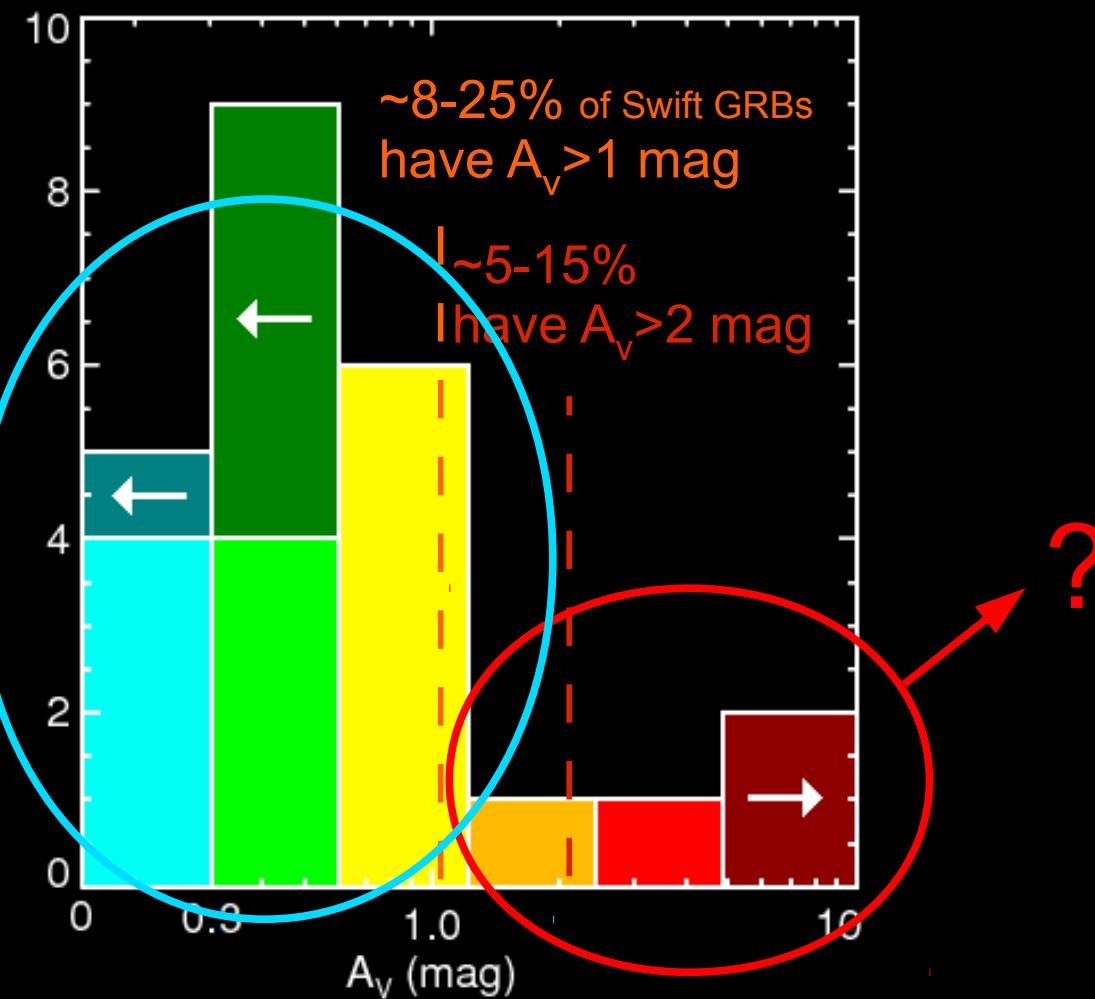
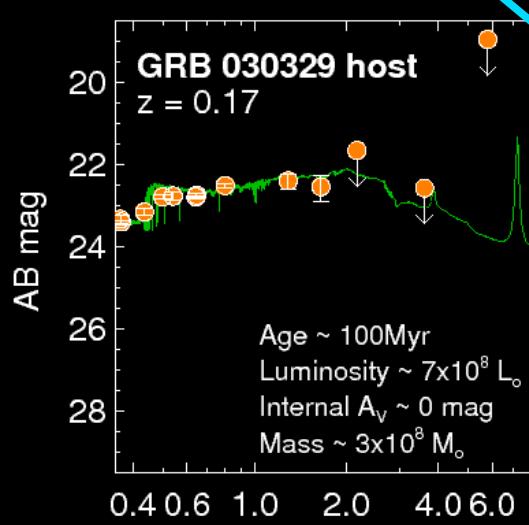
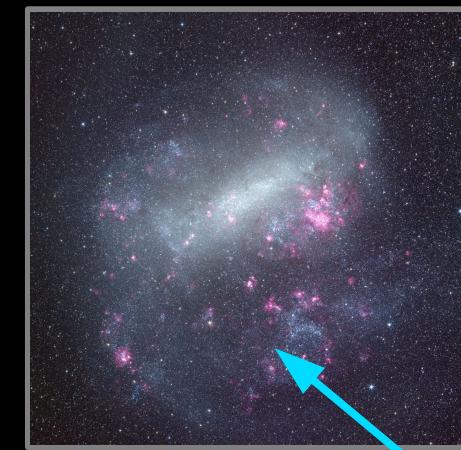
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are highly extinguished.



Perley et al. 2009
+ Kruehler et al. 2011

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Optical Extinction Bias?

Dust-obscured star-formation is significant, and dusty galaxies should (in general) be:

more massive

more metal-rich

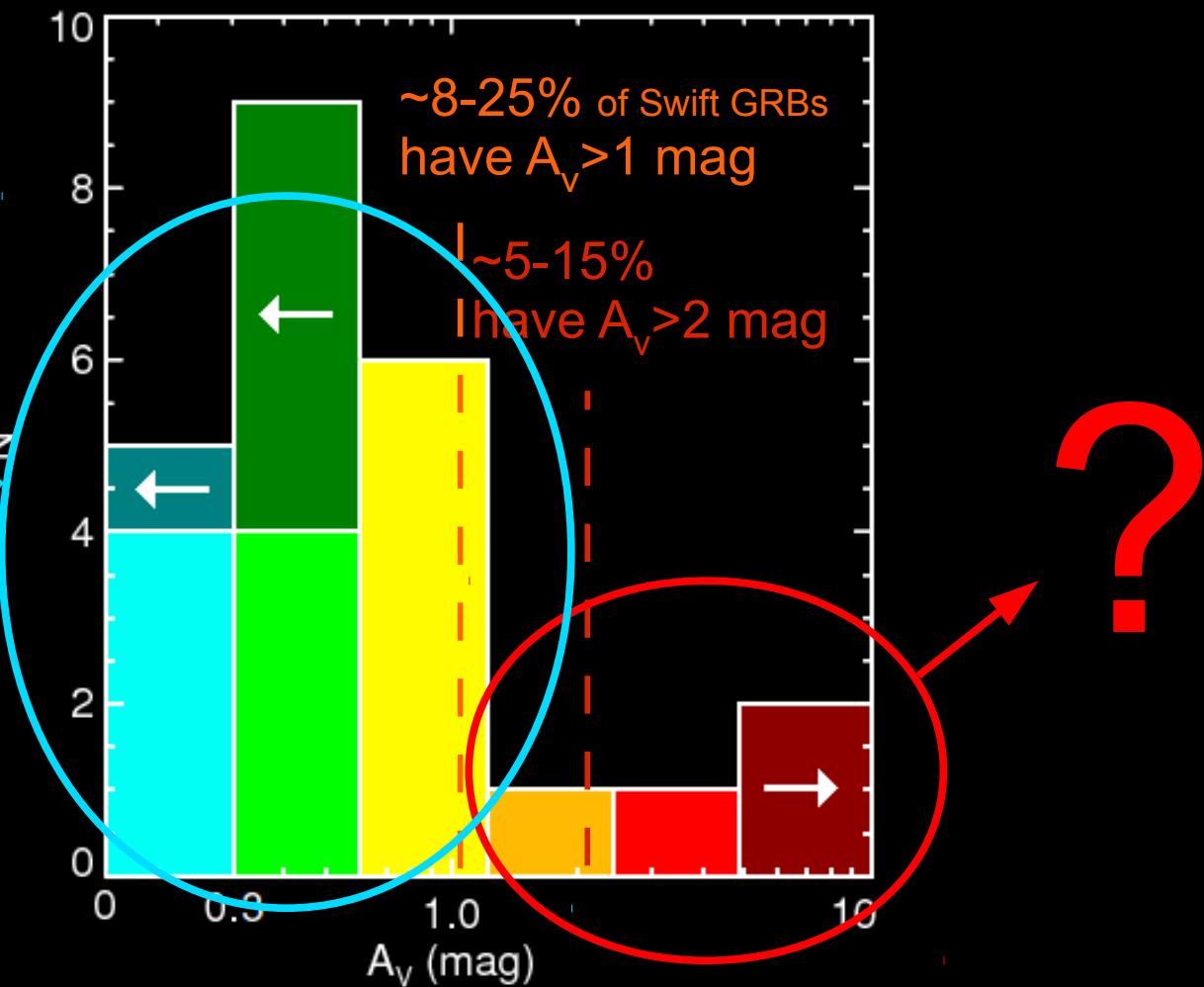
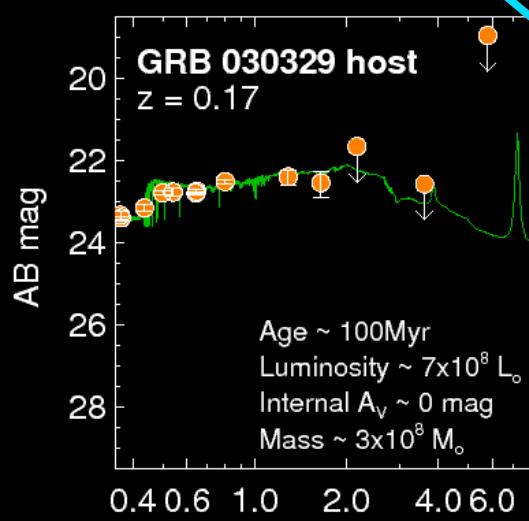
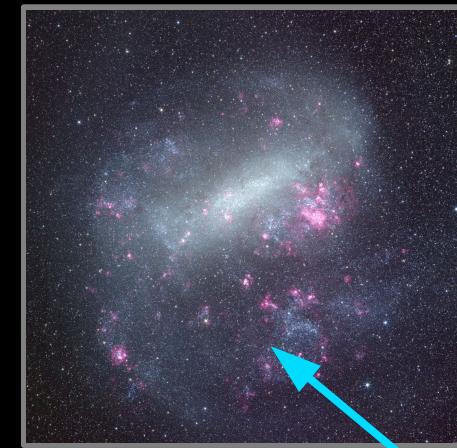
more luminous

redder

than unobscured galaxies.

OR, darkness could be entirely geometric
(i.e., does the GRB sightline happen to pierce a
molecular cloud or dust lane)

How do dark hosts compare with other hosts and other galaxies, and what are the implications?



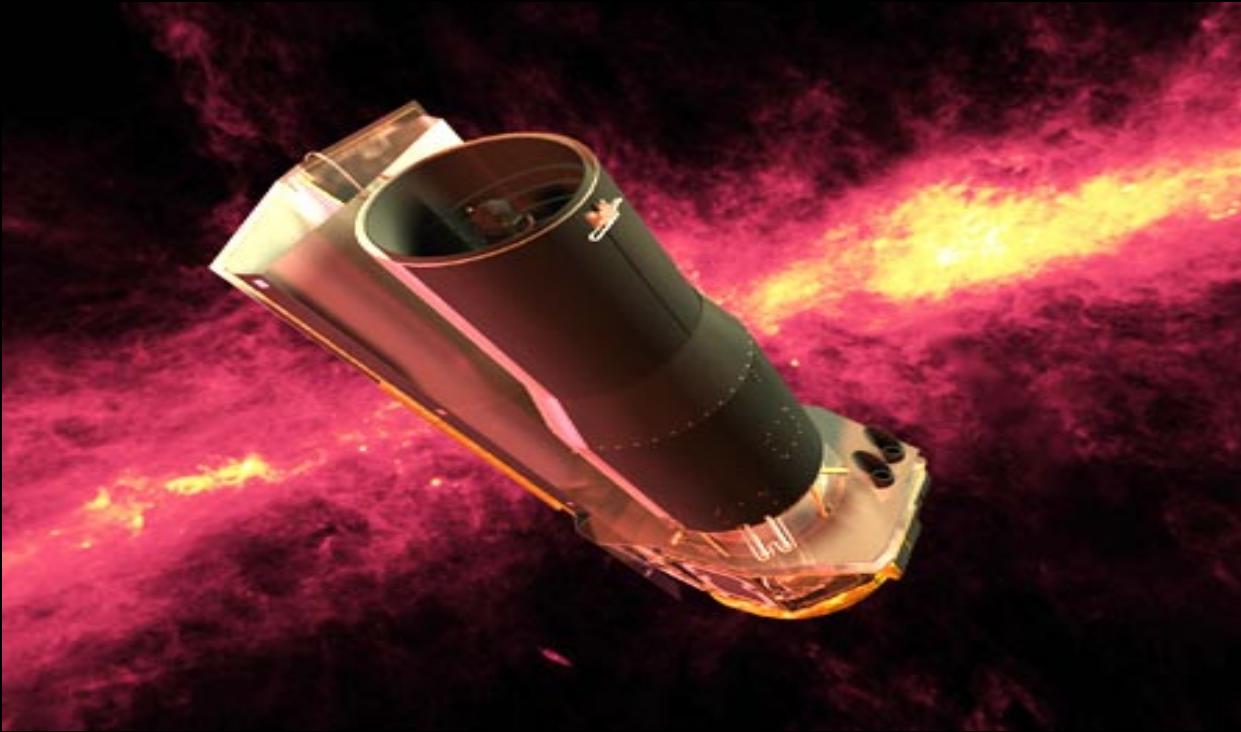


Dark Burst Host Survey

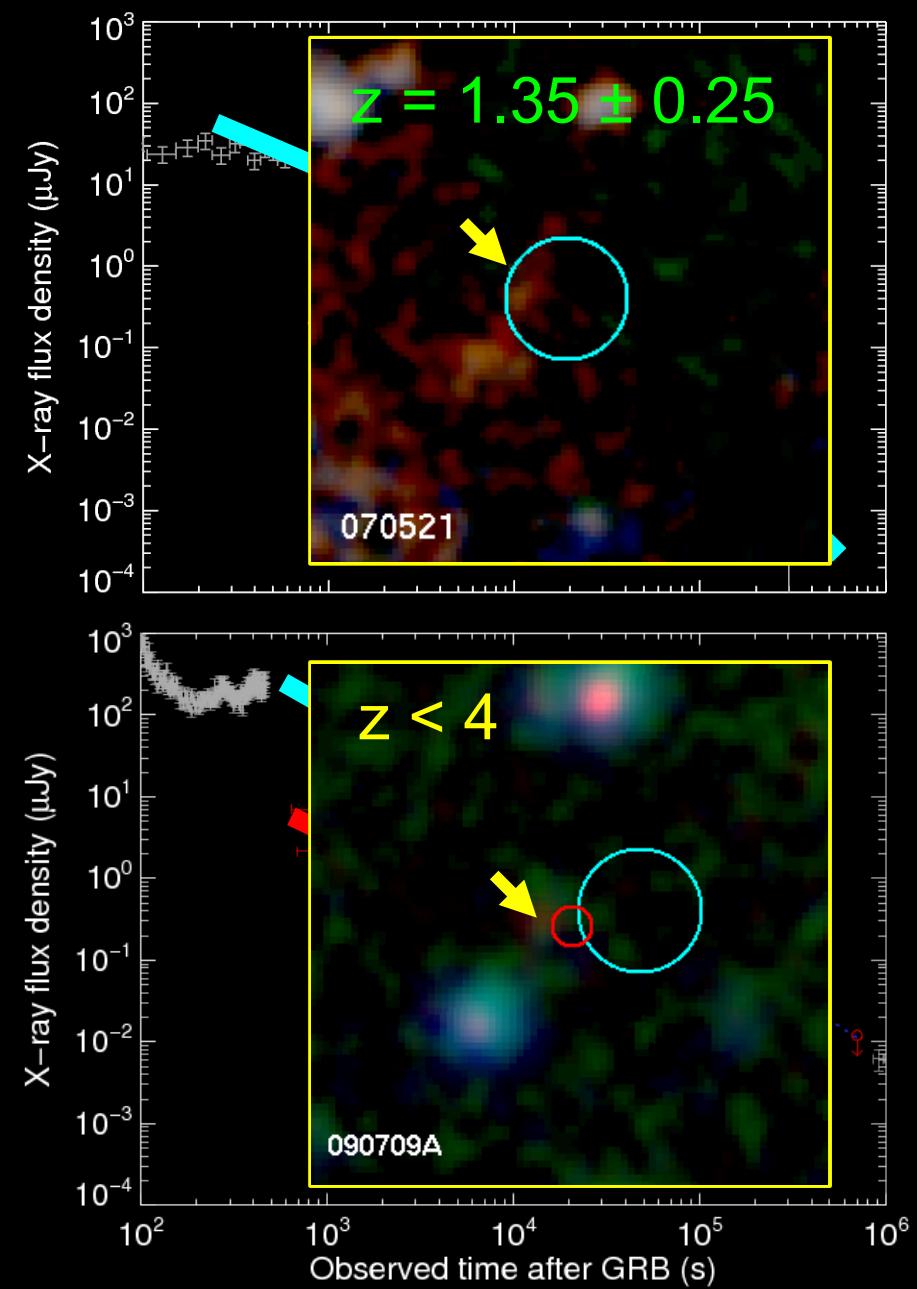
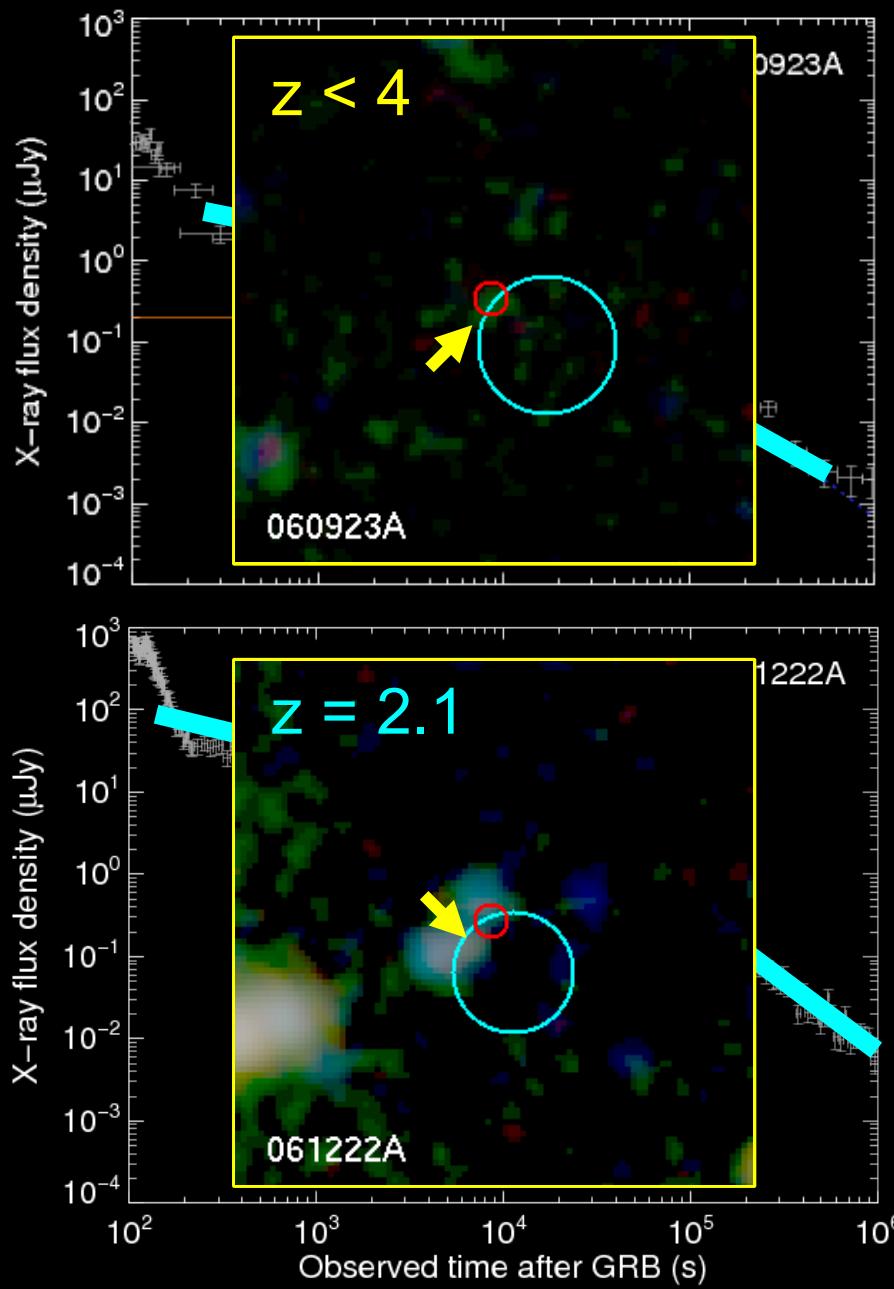




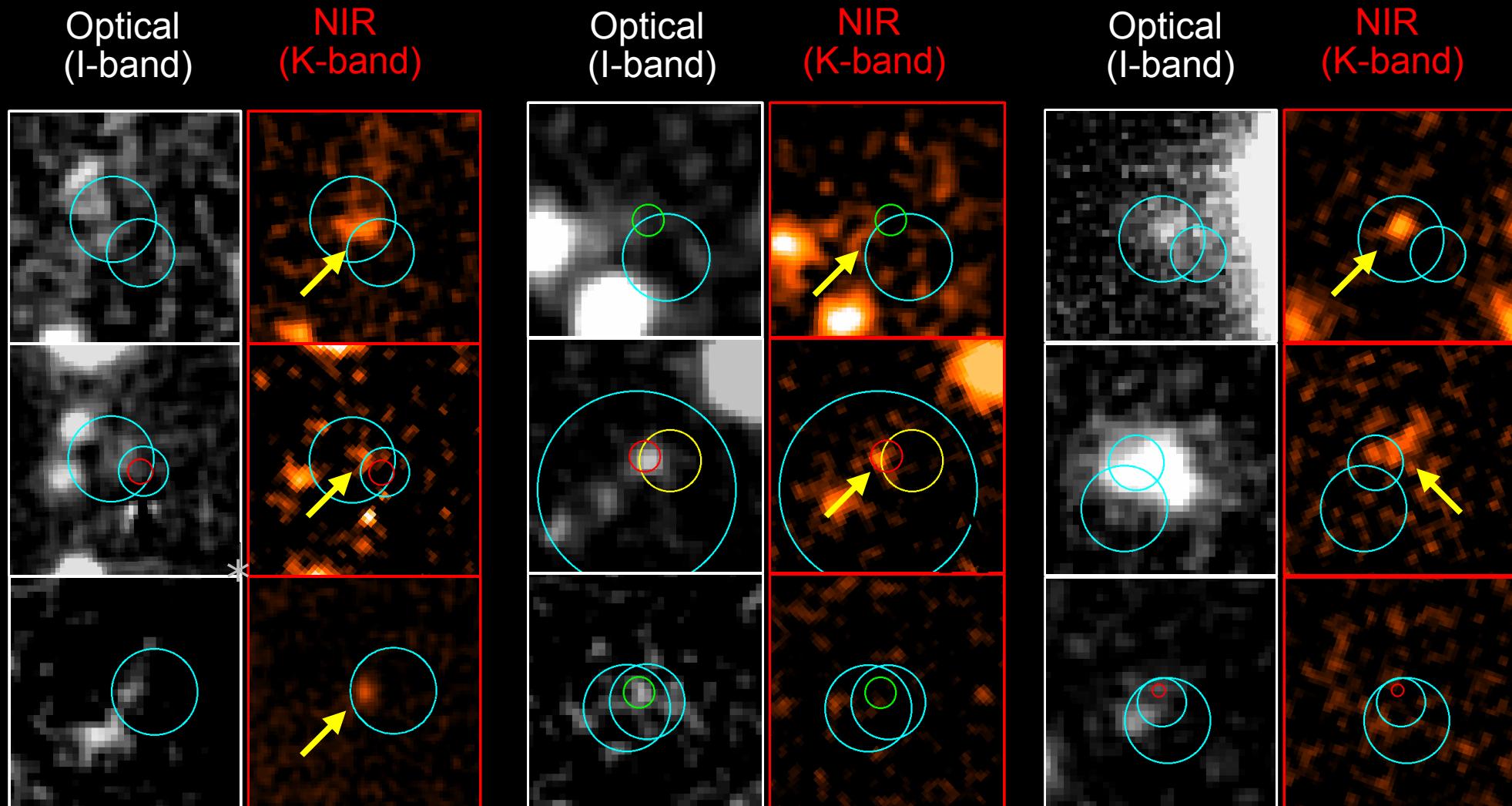
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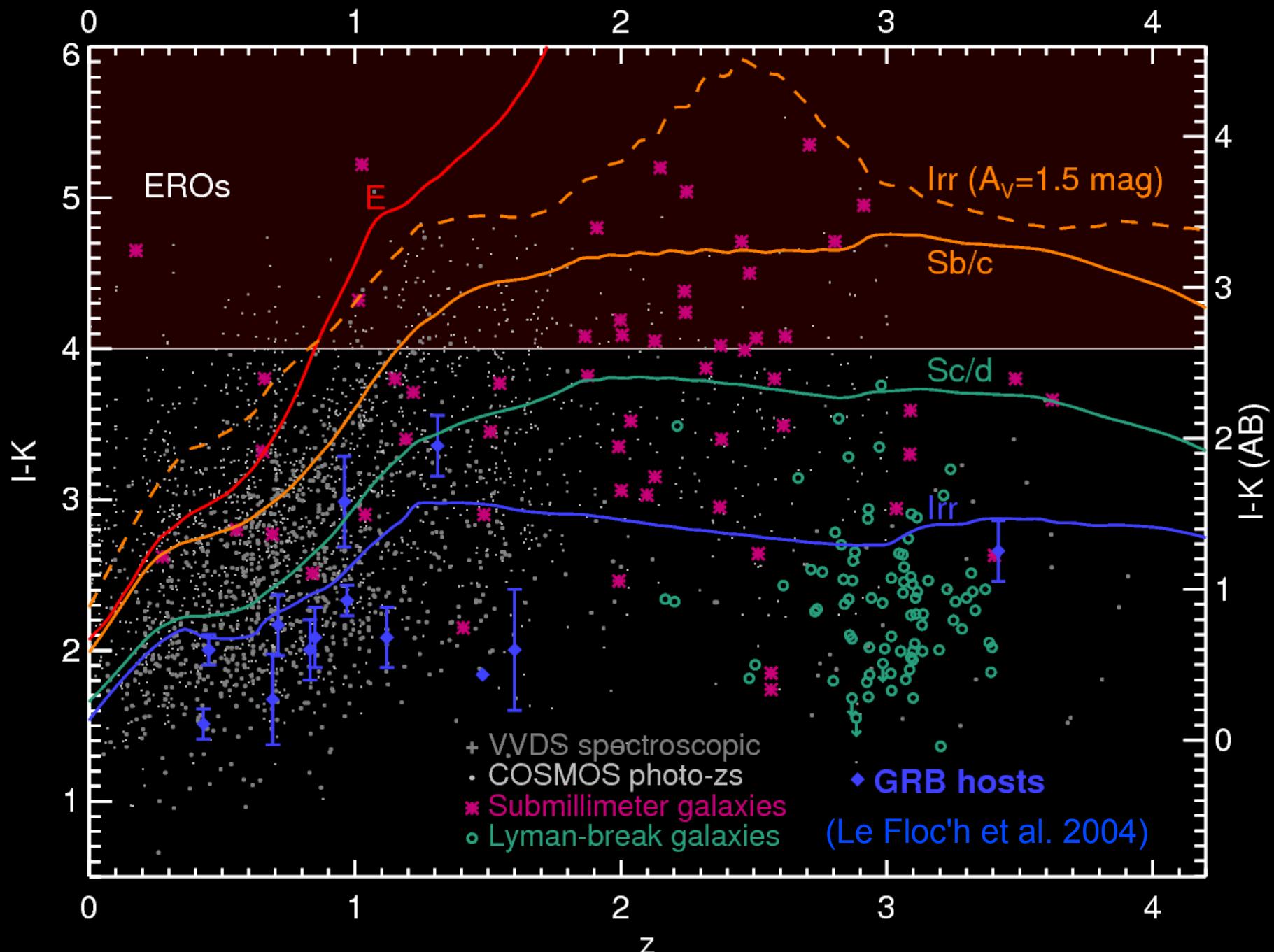
Optically Ordinary-Looking...



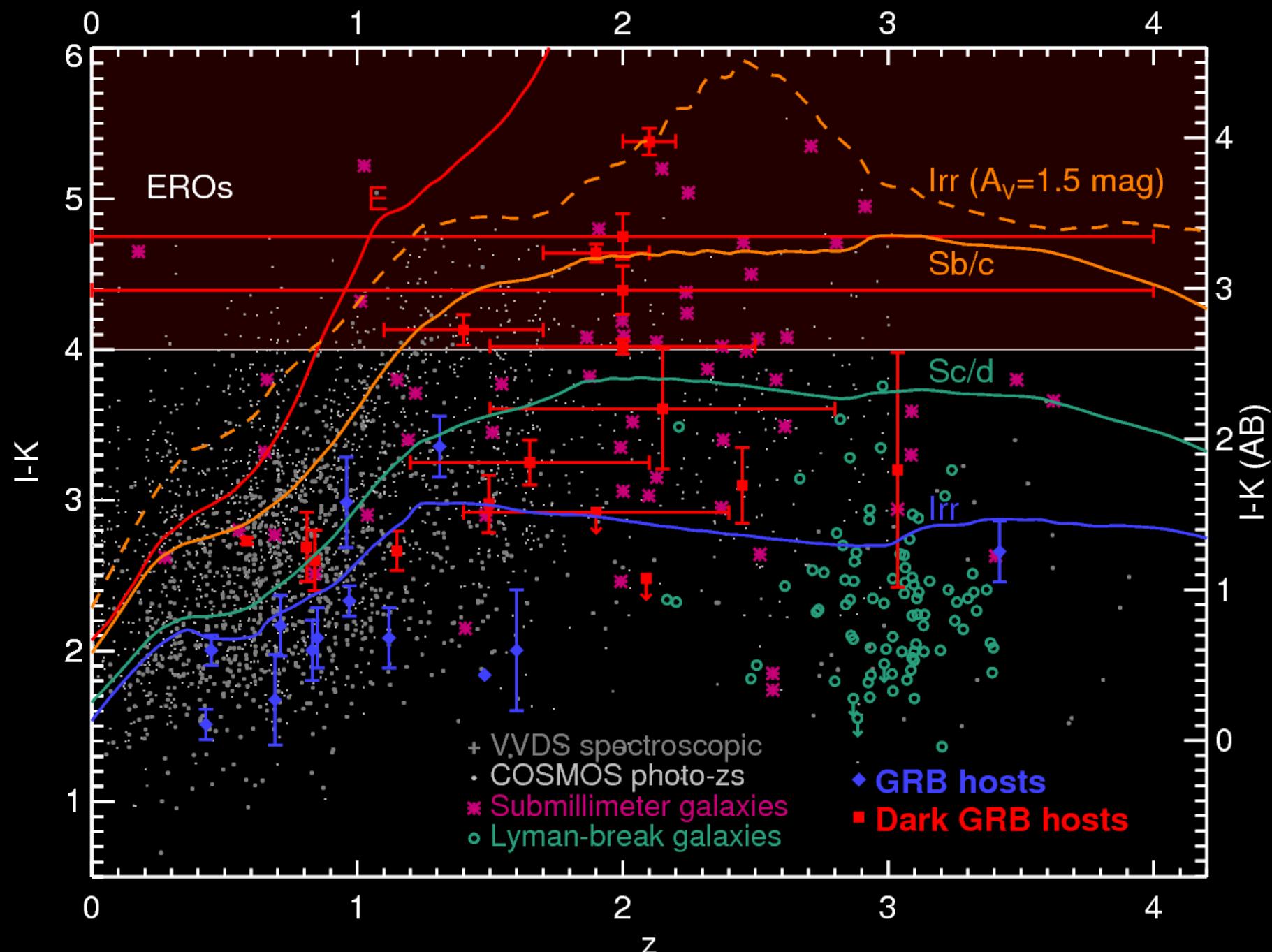
Often Infrared Bright



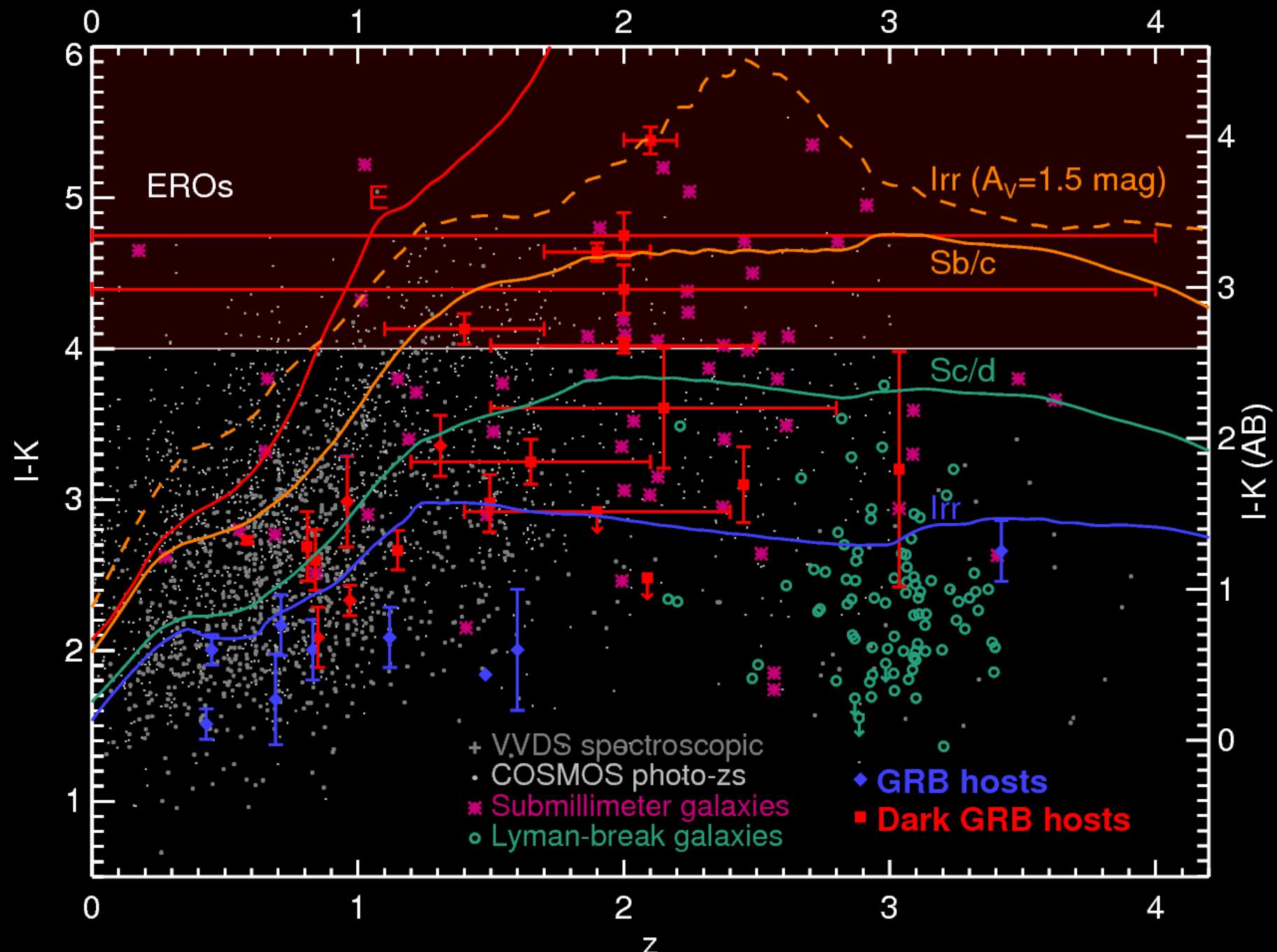
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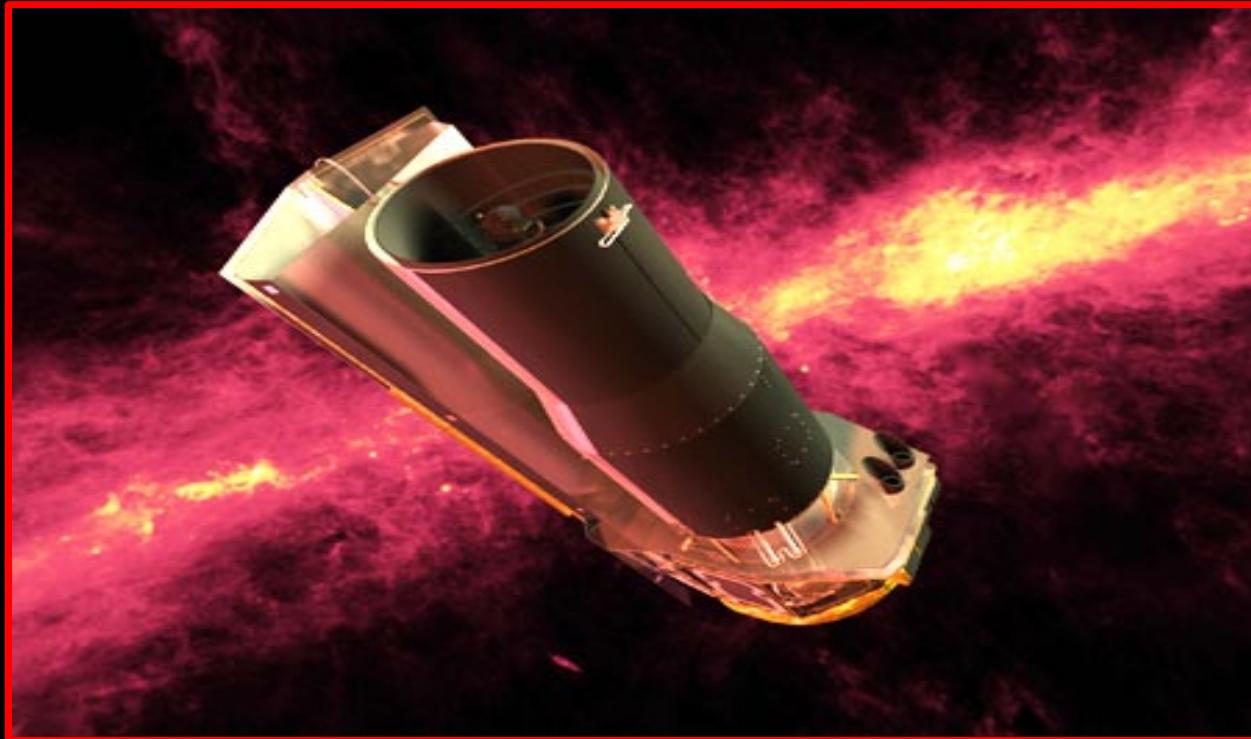


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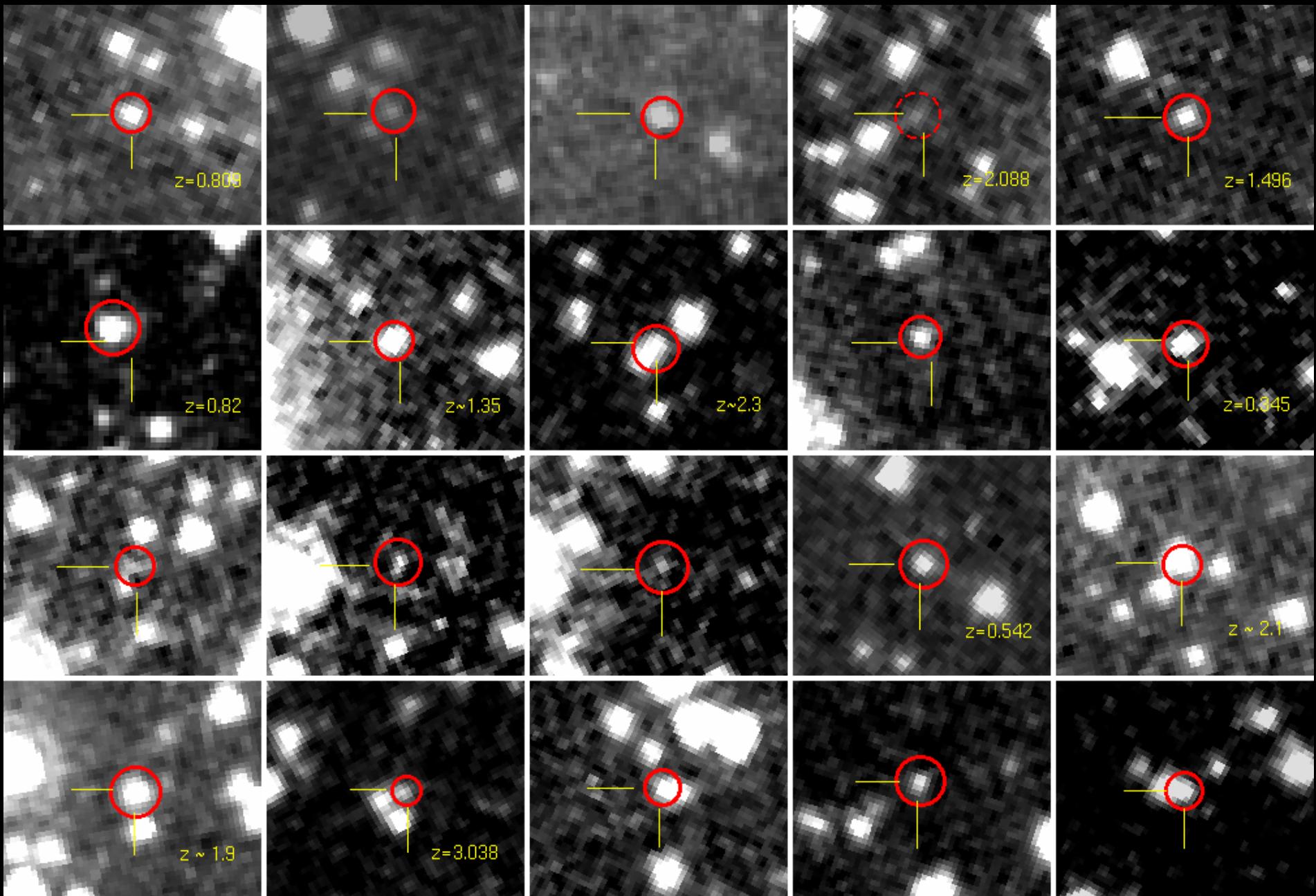


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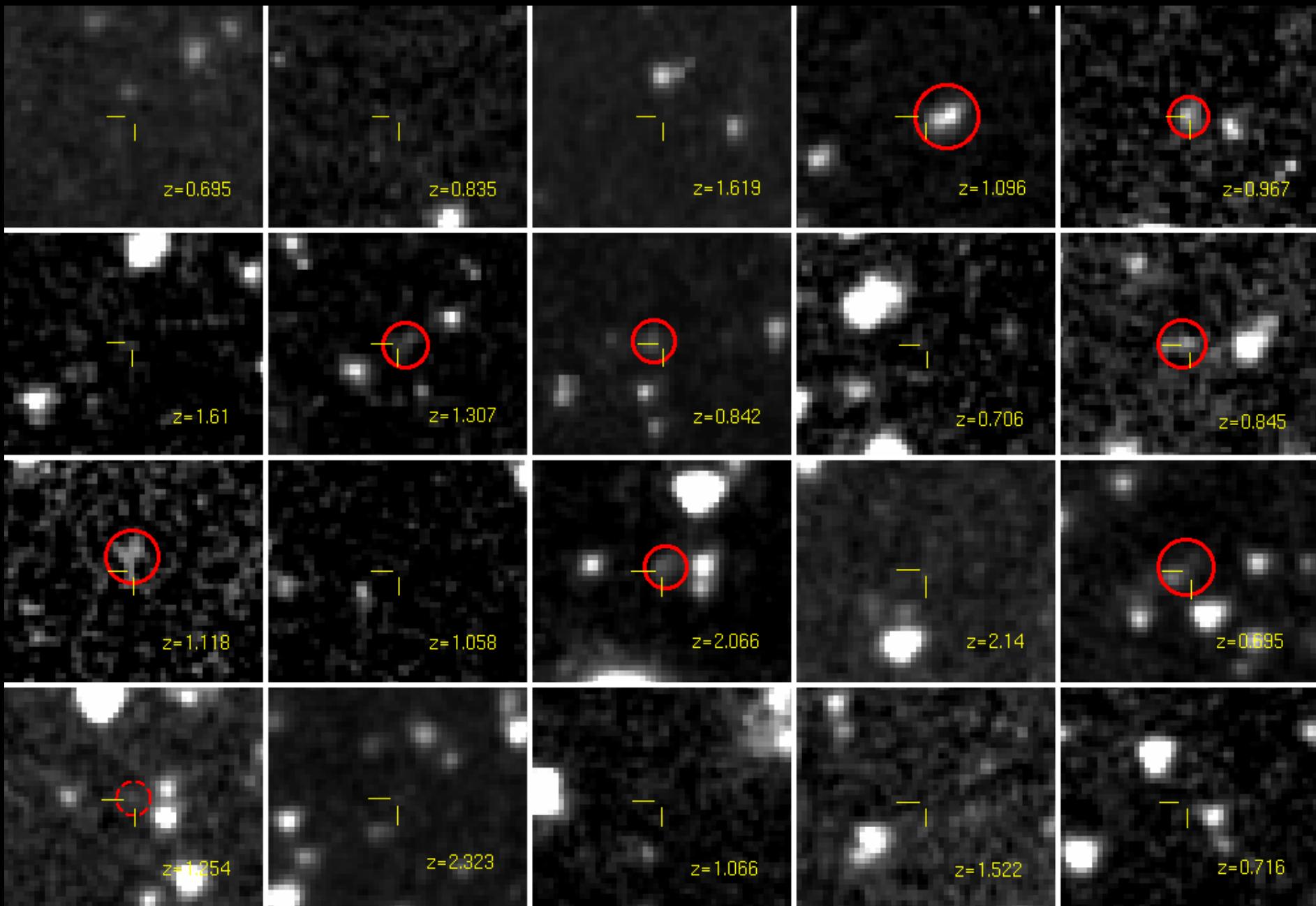




Swift Dark GRB 4.5 μm Imaging

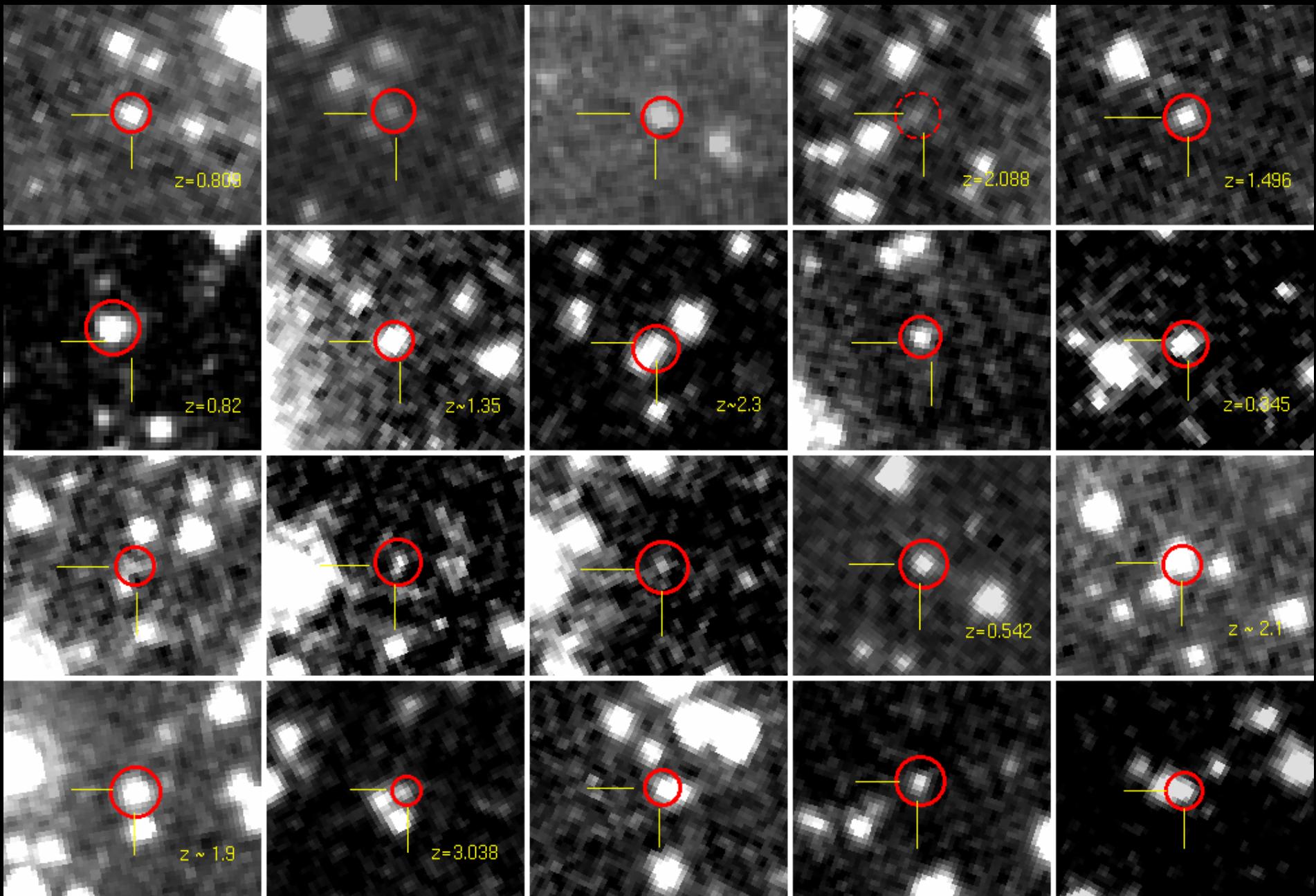


Pre-Swift Non-Dark GRBs

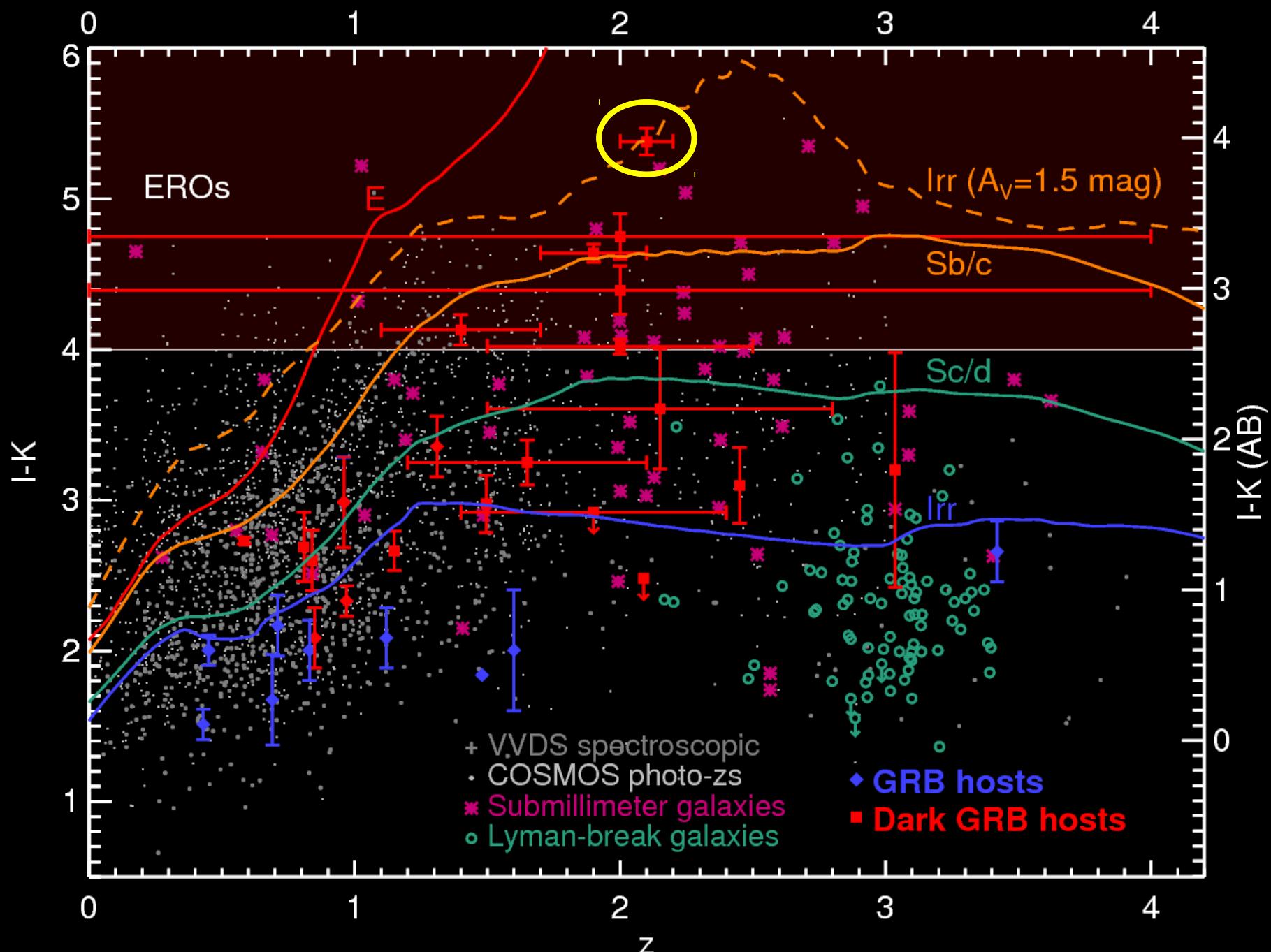




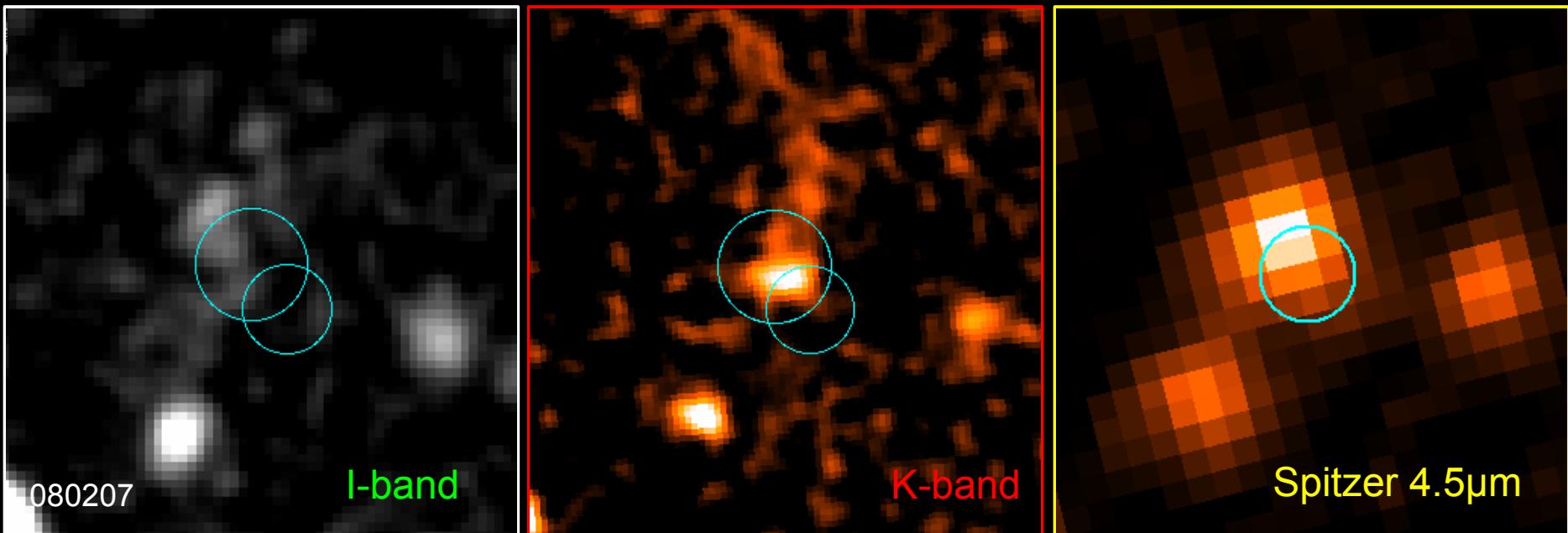
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Dark Burst Host Colors



Dark GRB 080207



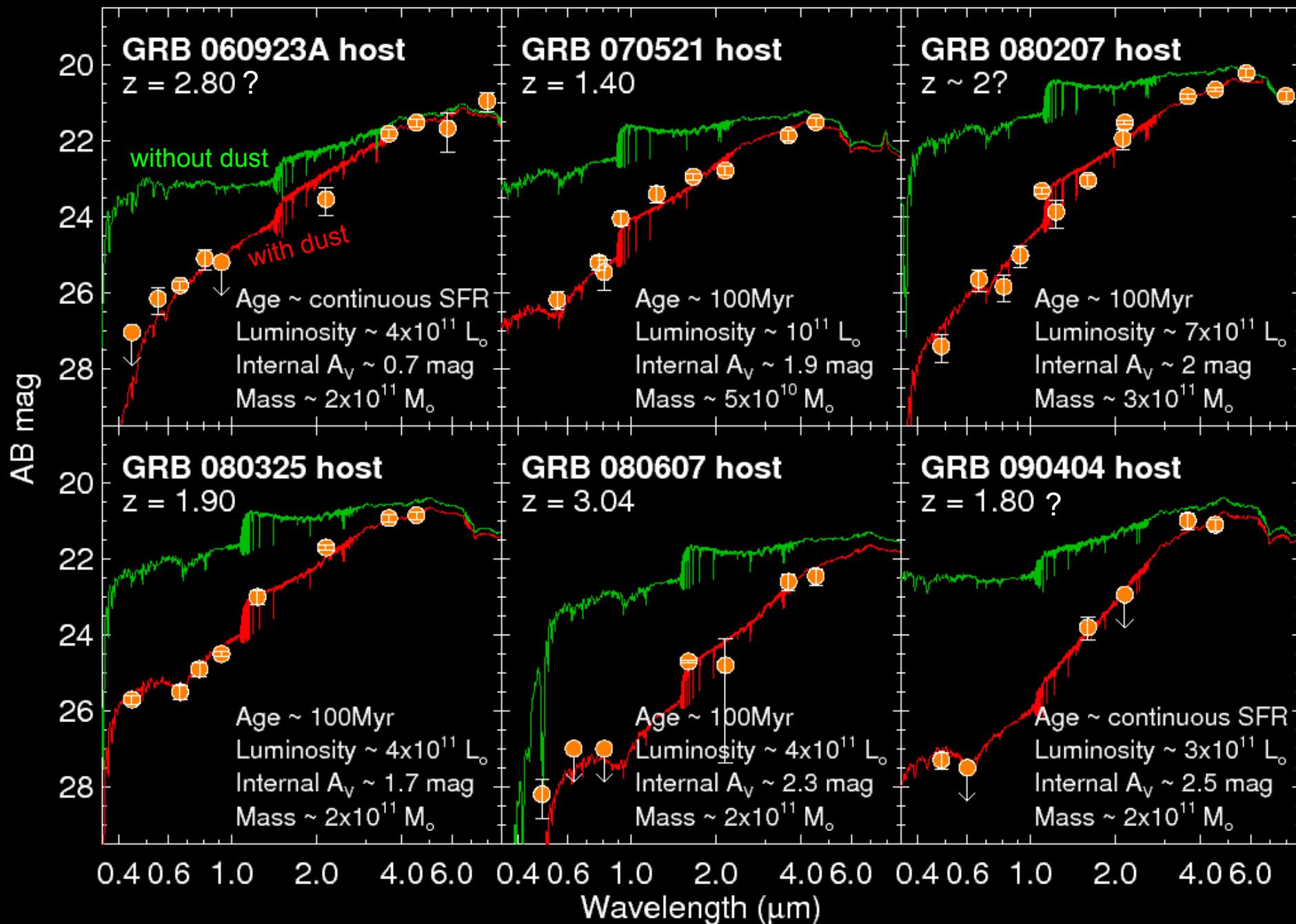
Fairly dark burst with...

Extremely red host:
I-K ~ 5.5 mag

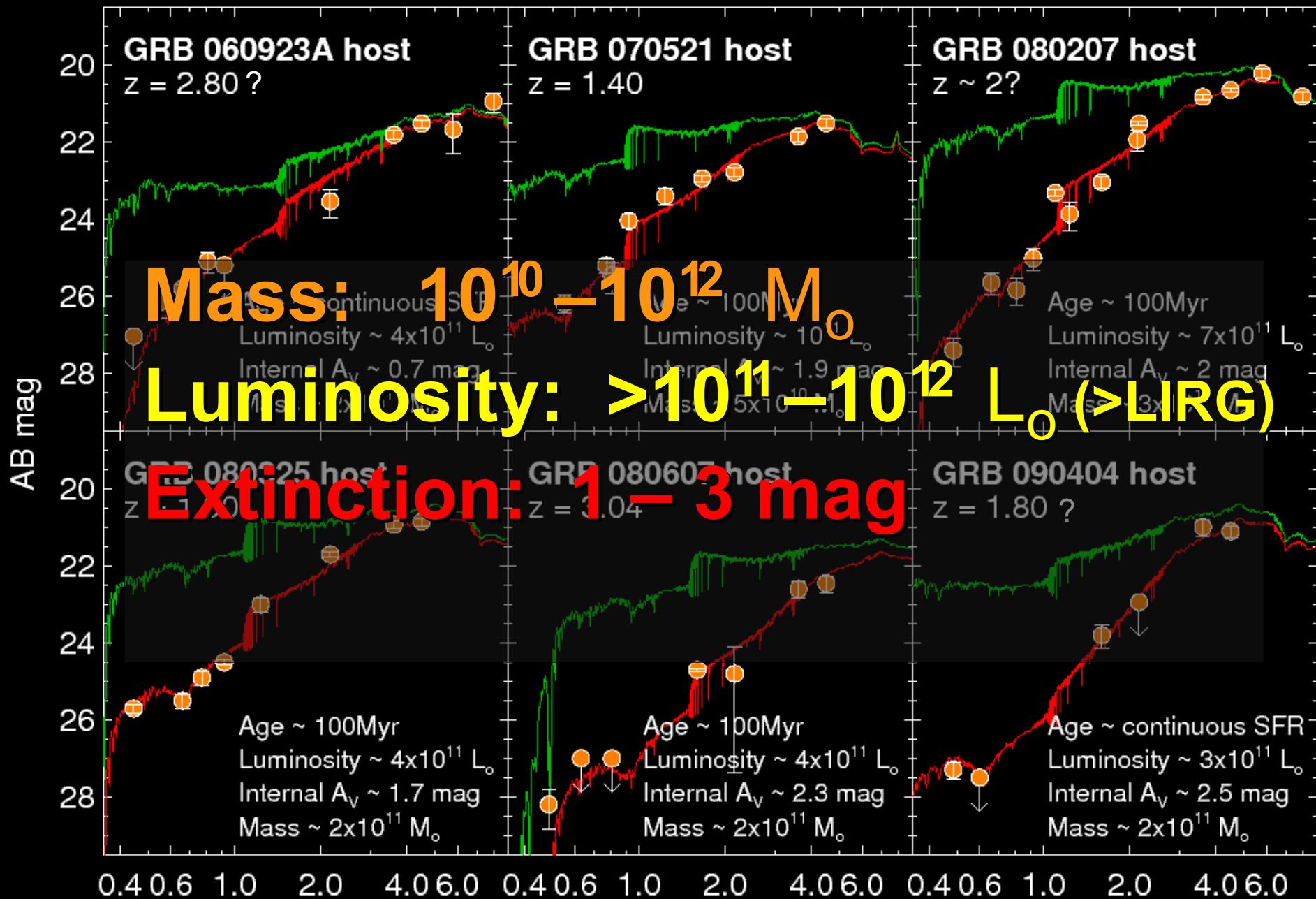
In top ~5% of brightest hosts observed by Spitzer, also detected at 24μm with MIPS

Photo-z = 1.8-2.1 (Svensson et al. 2011)

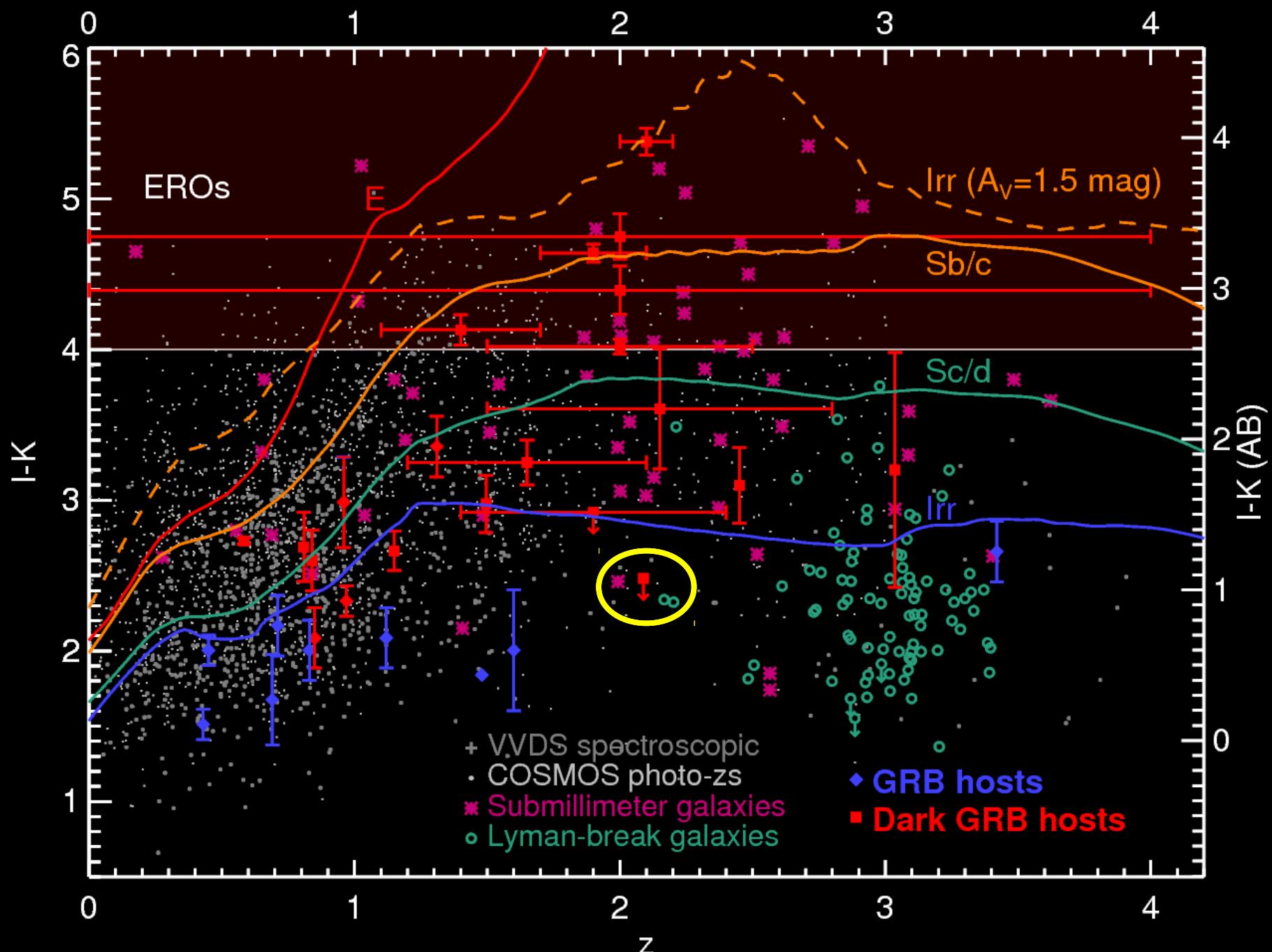
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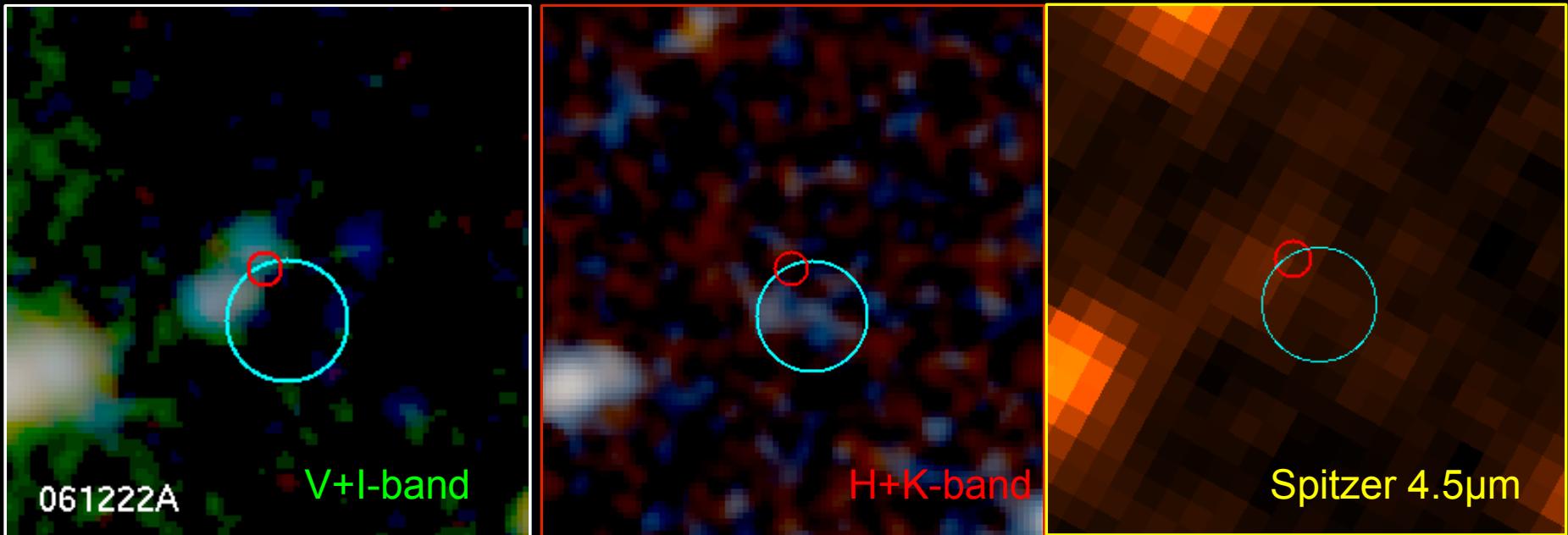
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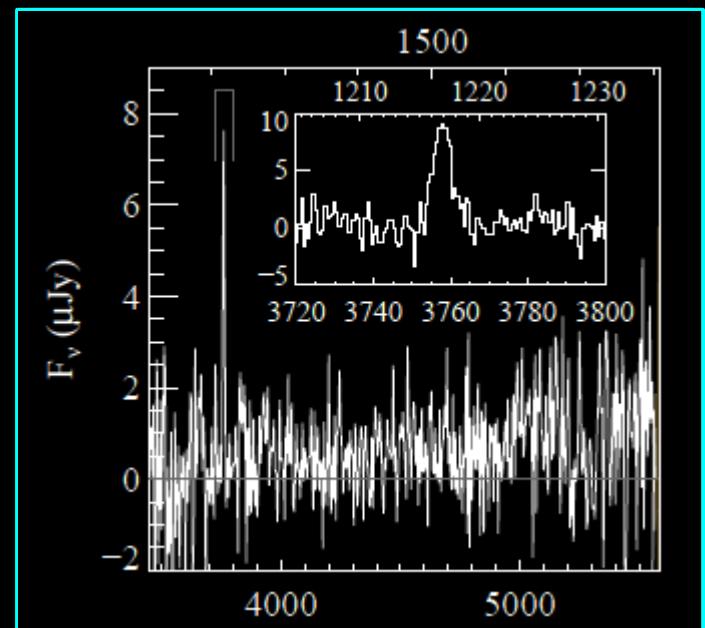
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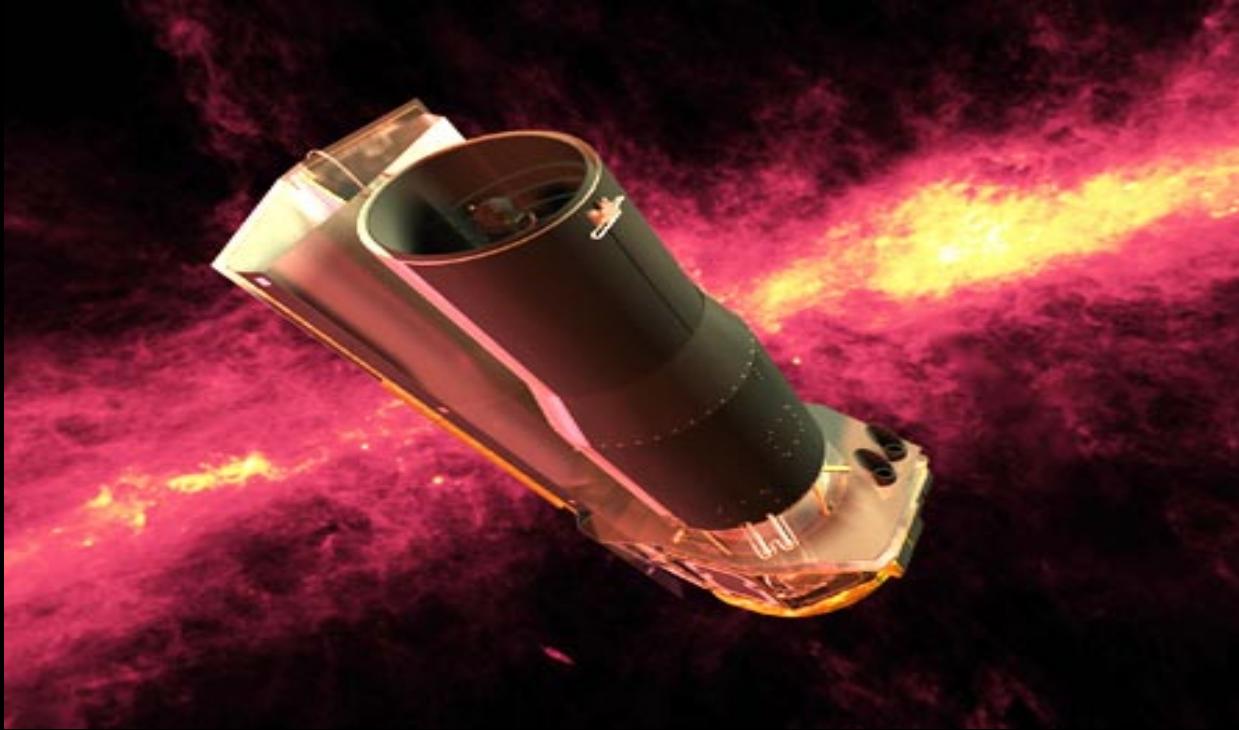


Ultra-dark burst ($A_V > 5$ mag), but
Extremely blue host:
 $I-K \sim 2$ mag
marginal or no Spitzer detection
Ly- α emitter at $z=2.1$





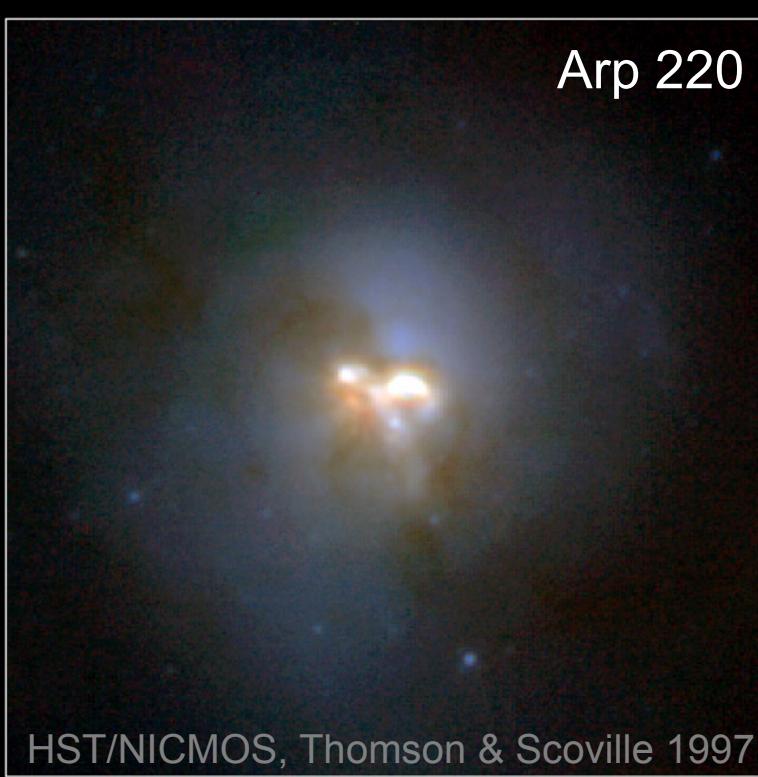
Dark Burst Host Survey



Highly-Embedded Star Formation?



Arp 220



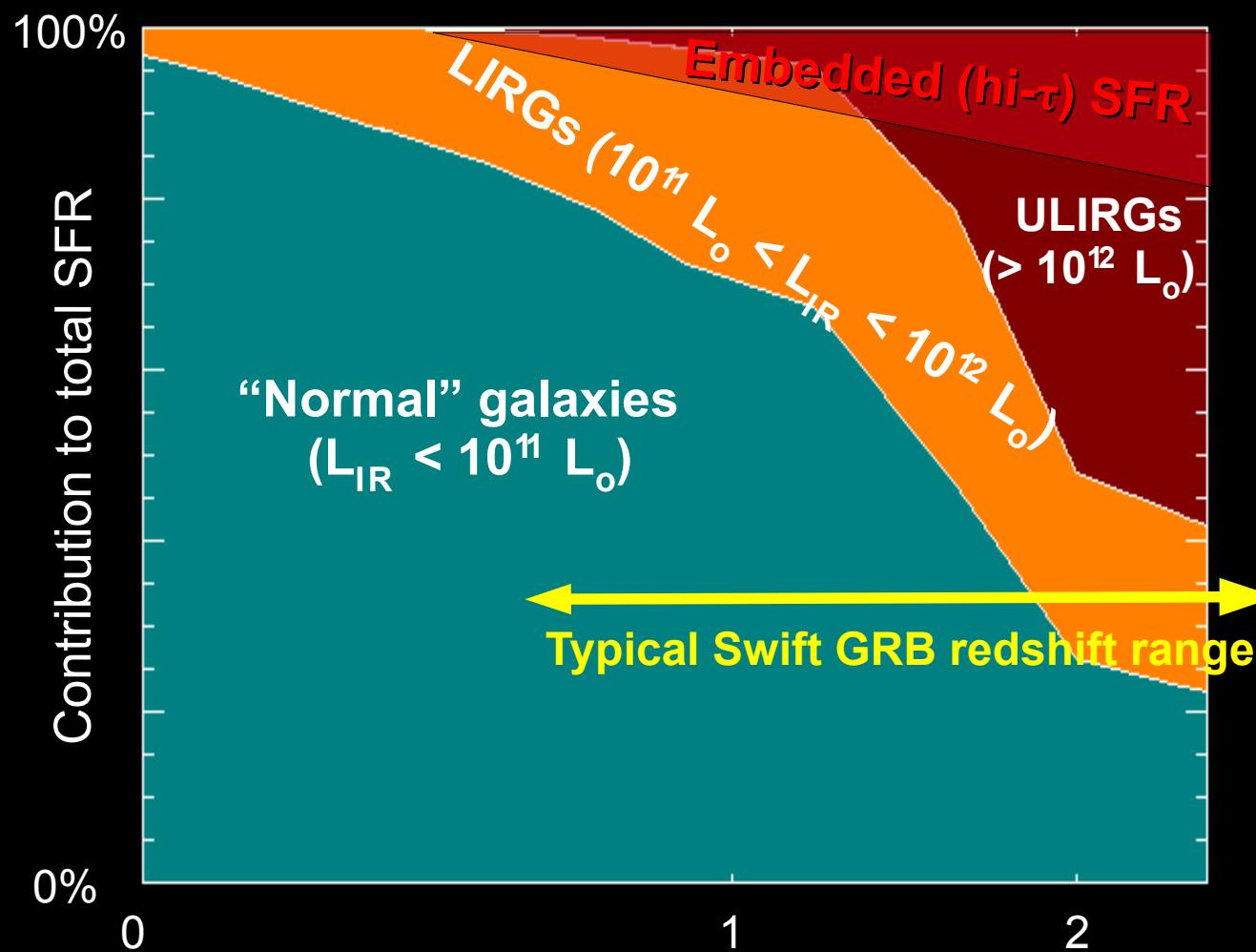
~20% of cosmic SFR at $z \sim 2$

Michalowski et al. 2010,
also Chapman et al. 2004

SFR >> dust-corrected optical SFR

Low-z: ULIRGs

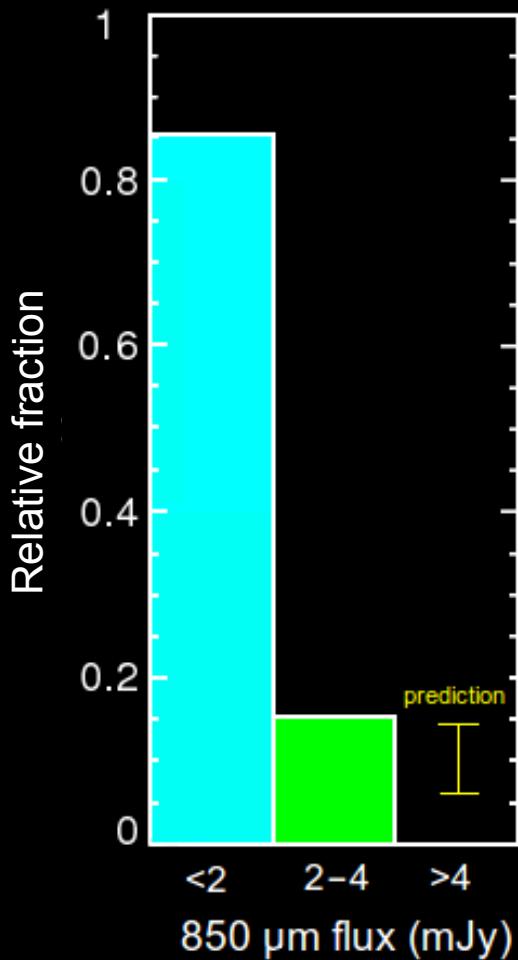
High-z: SMGs



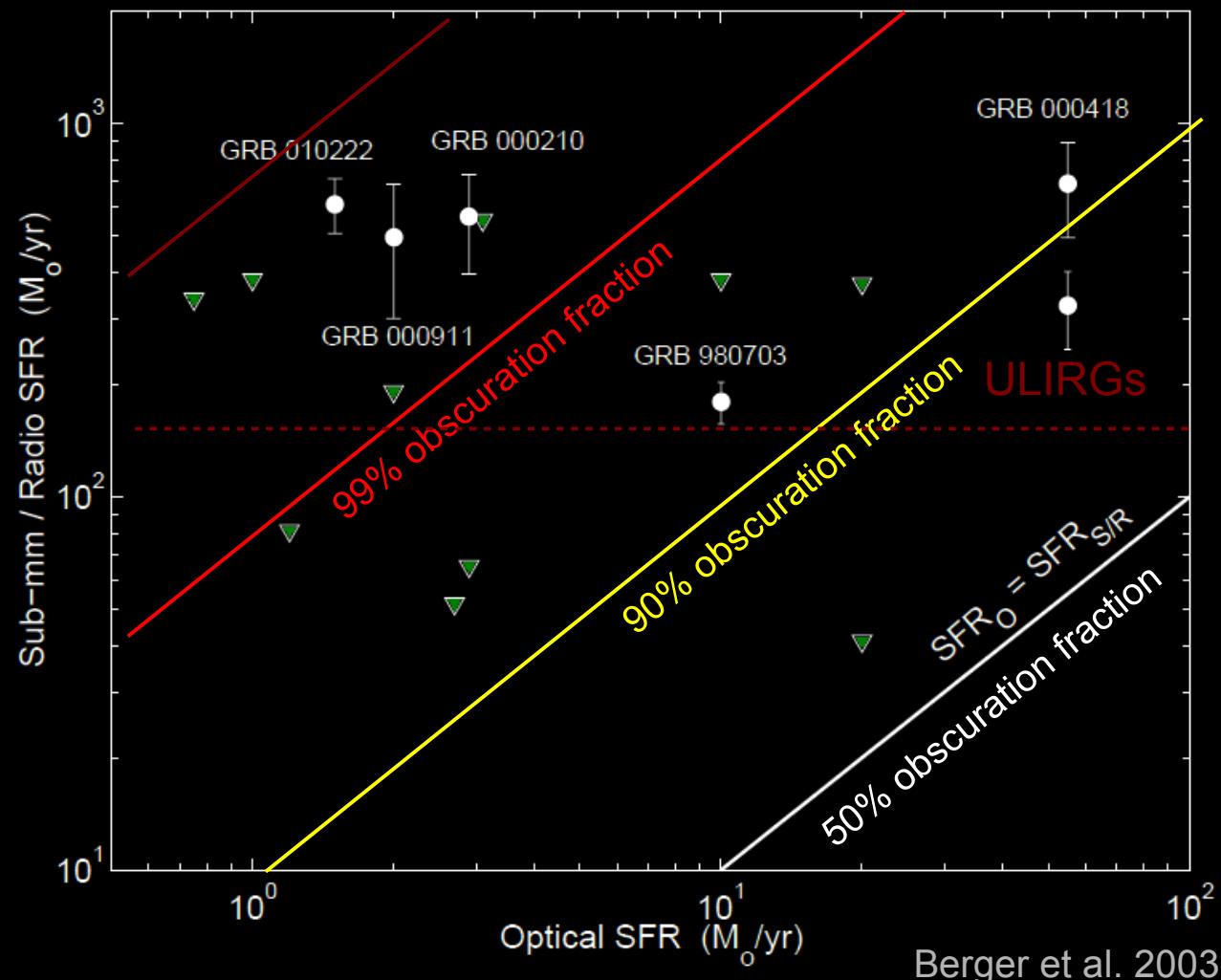


Pre-Swift Submillimeter Observations

Only a few pre-Swift detections (blue galaxies!)



Tanvir et al. 2004



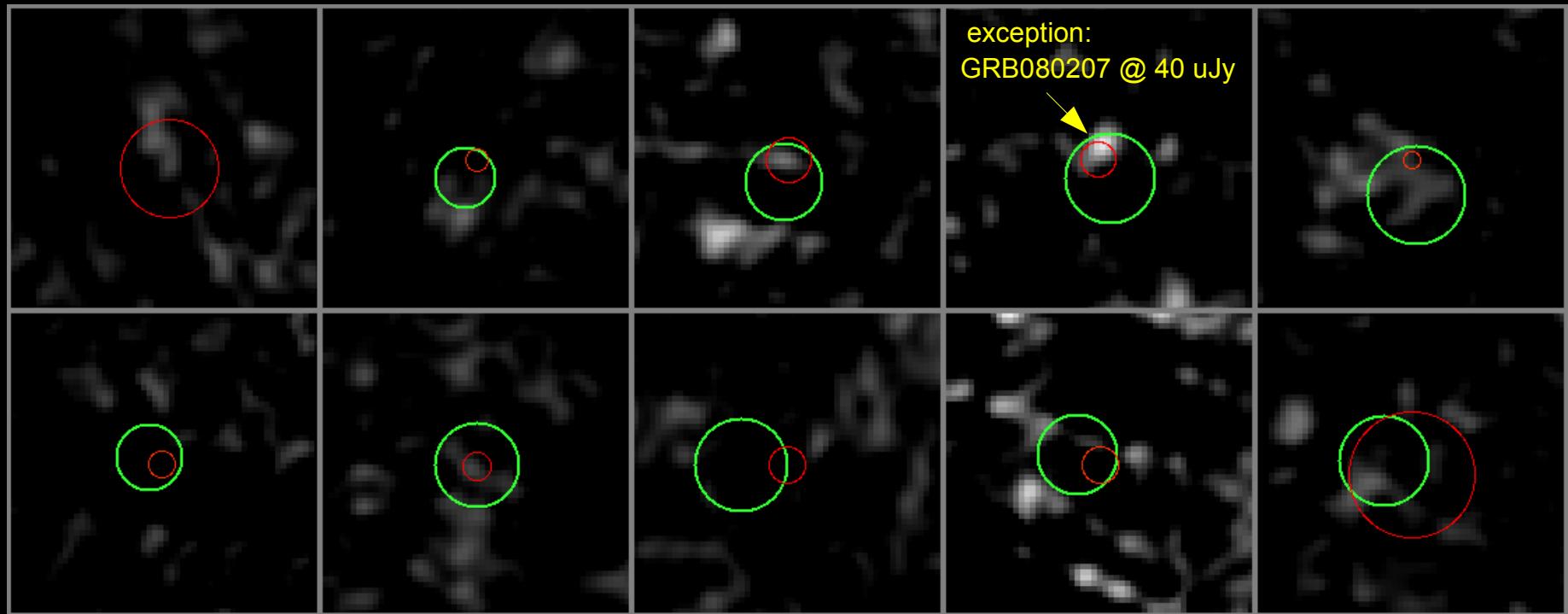
Berger et al. 2003



Radio/submm observations

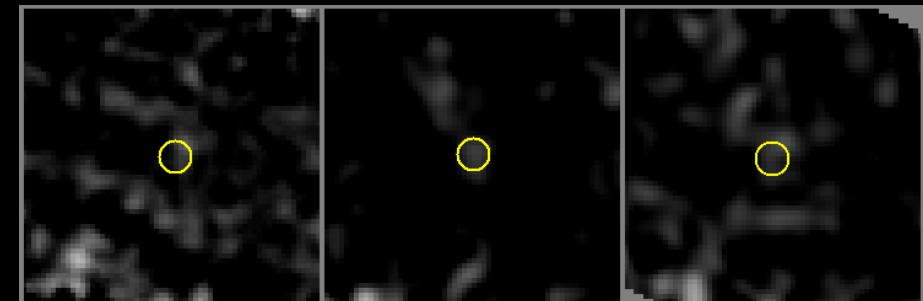
No EVLA detection (to $\sim 15 \mu\text{Jy}$ @ 5 GHz)
for 9 out of 10 Spitzer-brightest hosts

1 hr integration/target
(equiv. Of 20 hr/target
on old VLA)

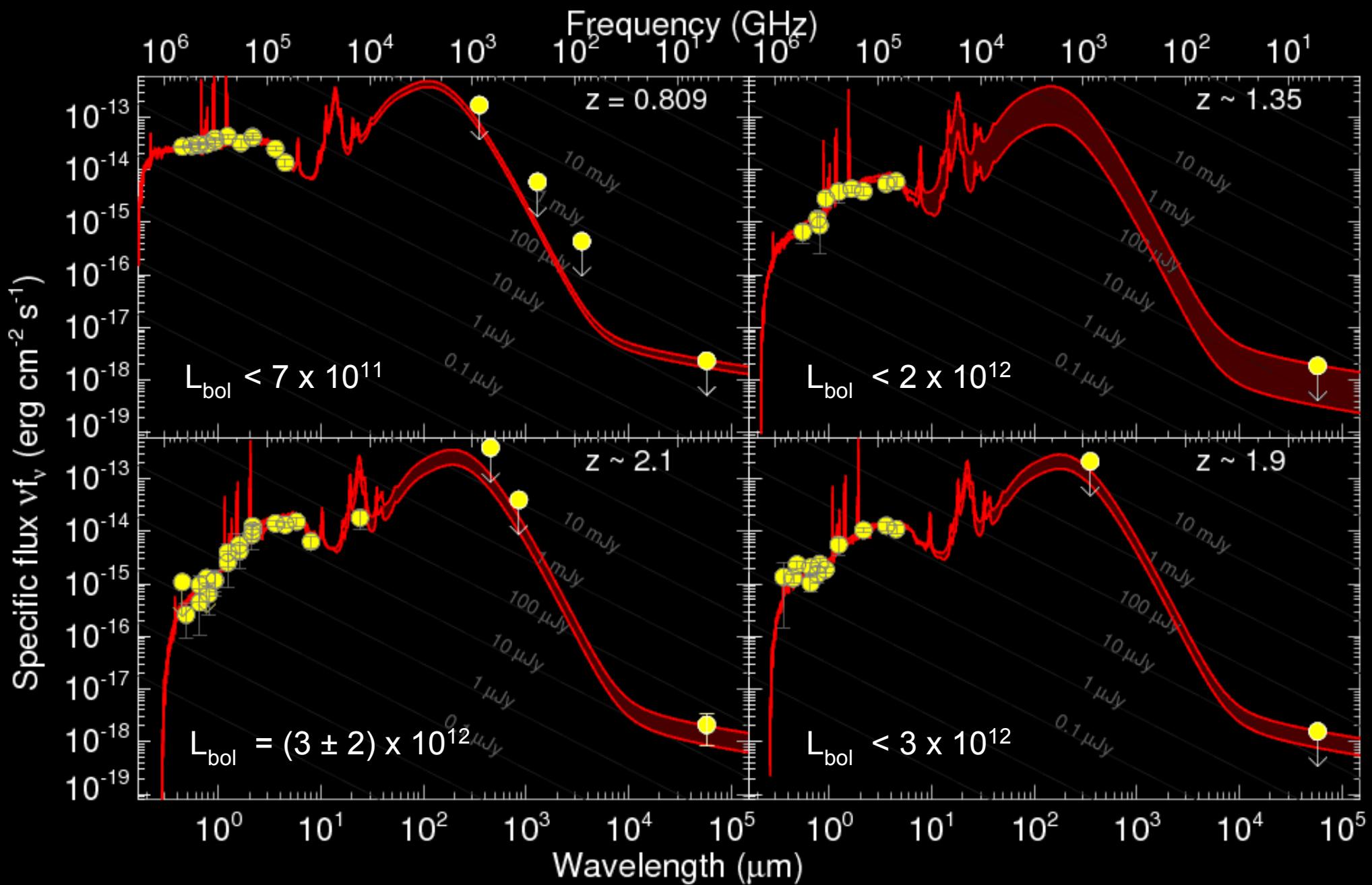


No CSO detection (to $\sim 10 \text{ mJy}$)
for 3 Spitzer-bright hosts

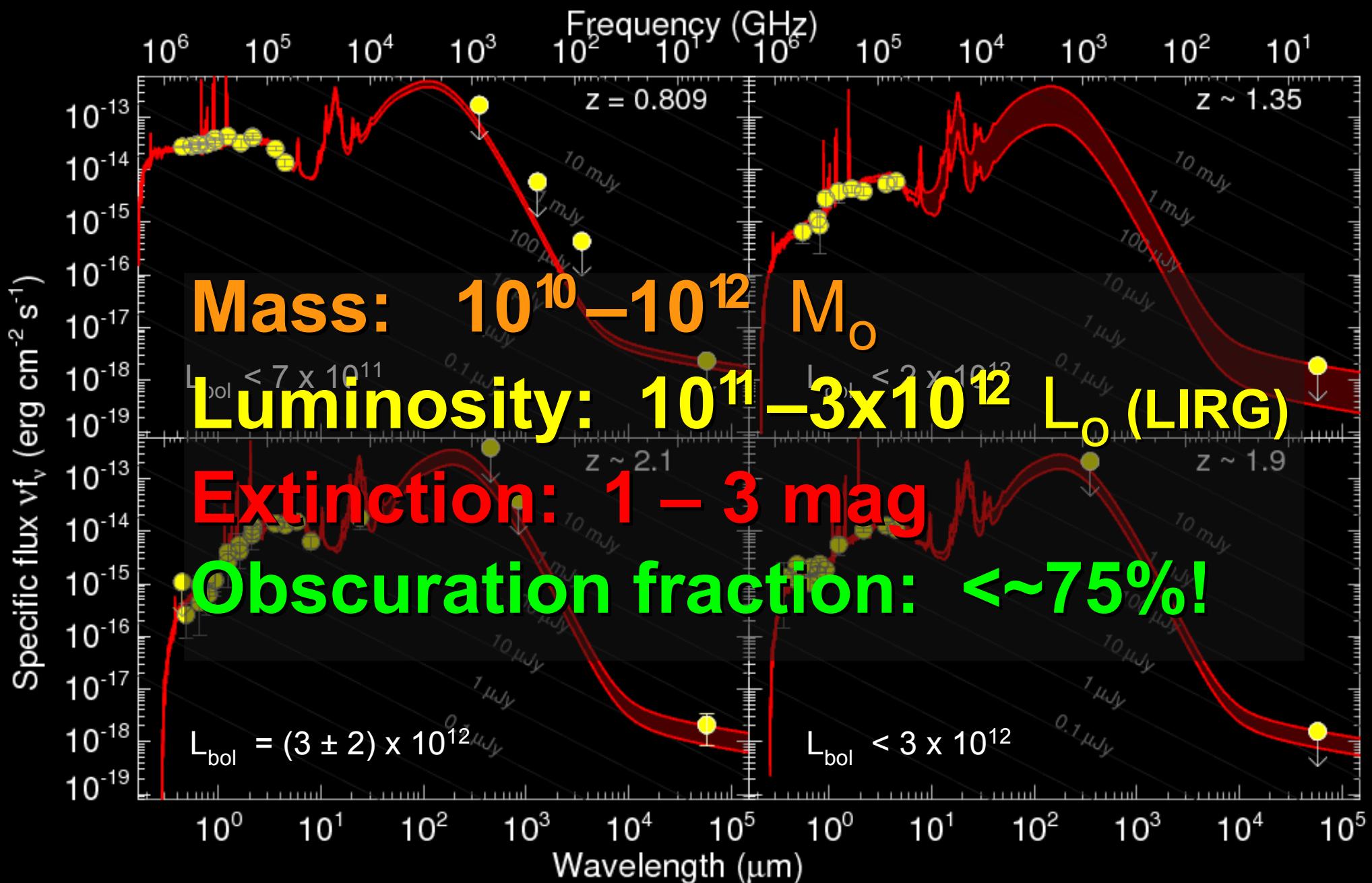
5-15 hr integration/target



LIRGs, not ULIRGs

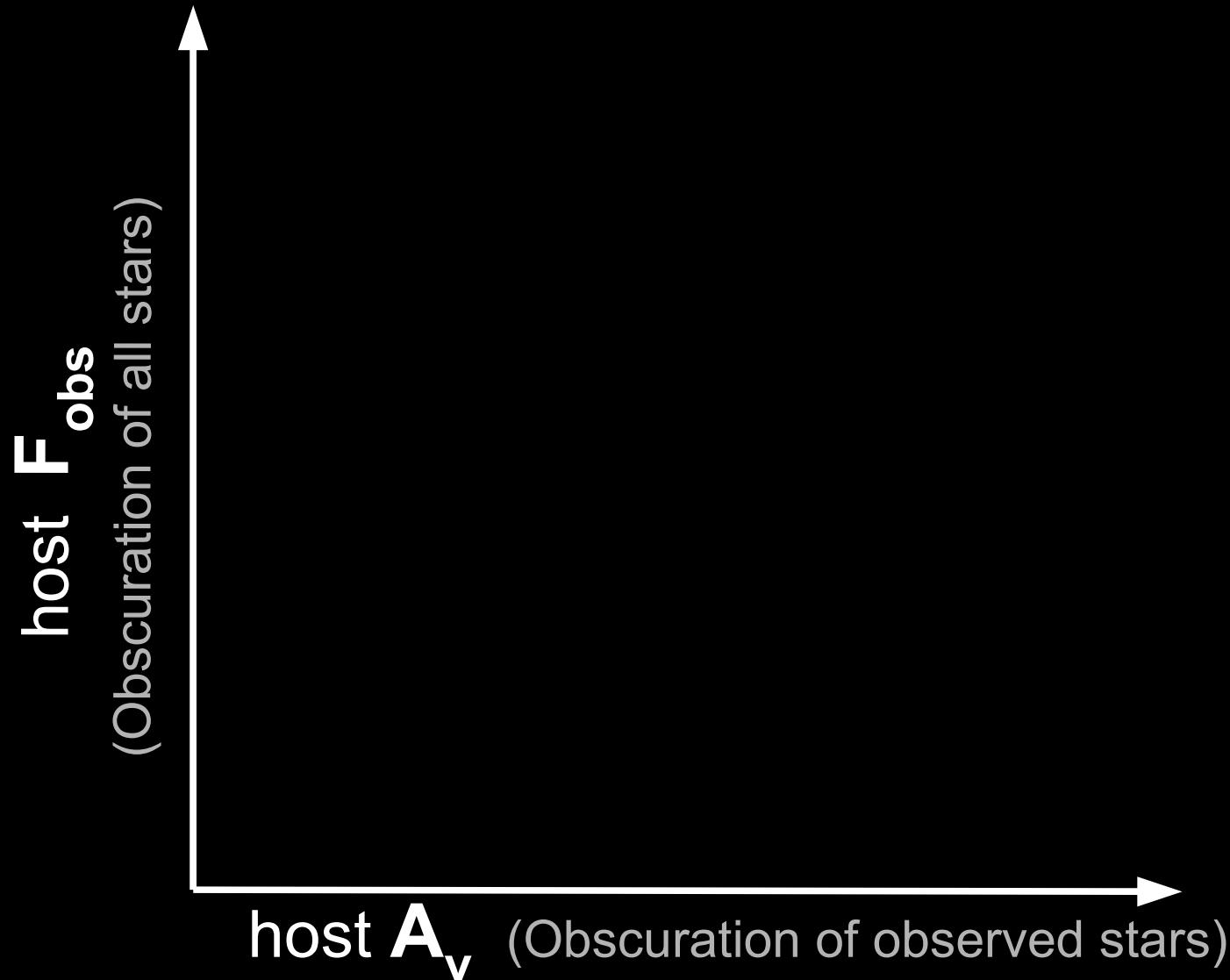


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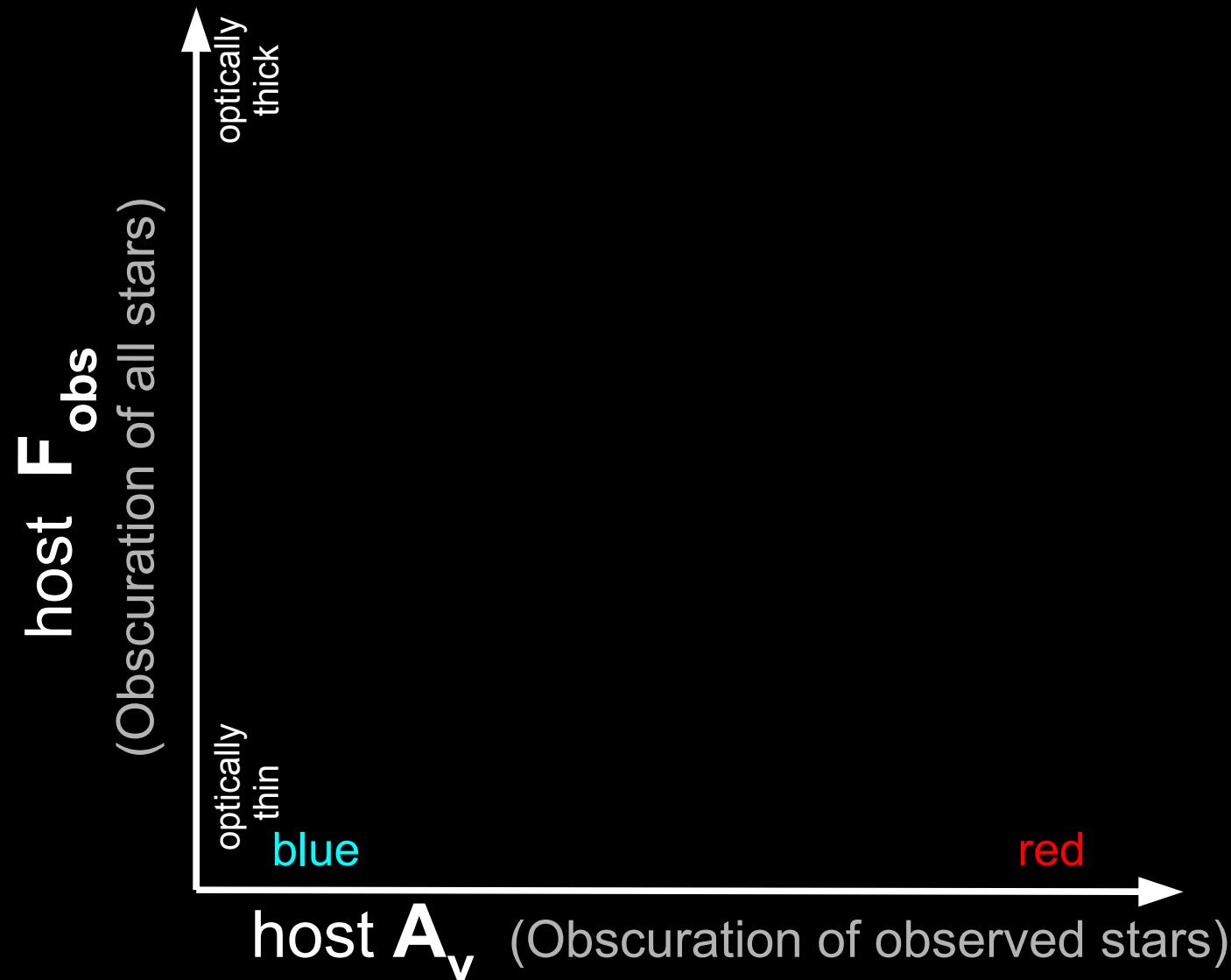


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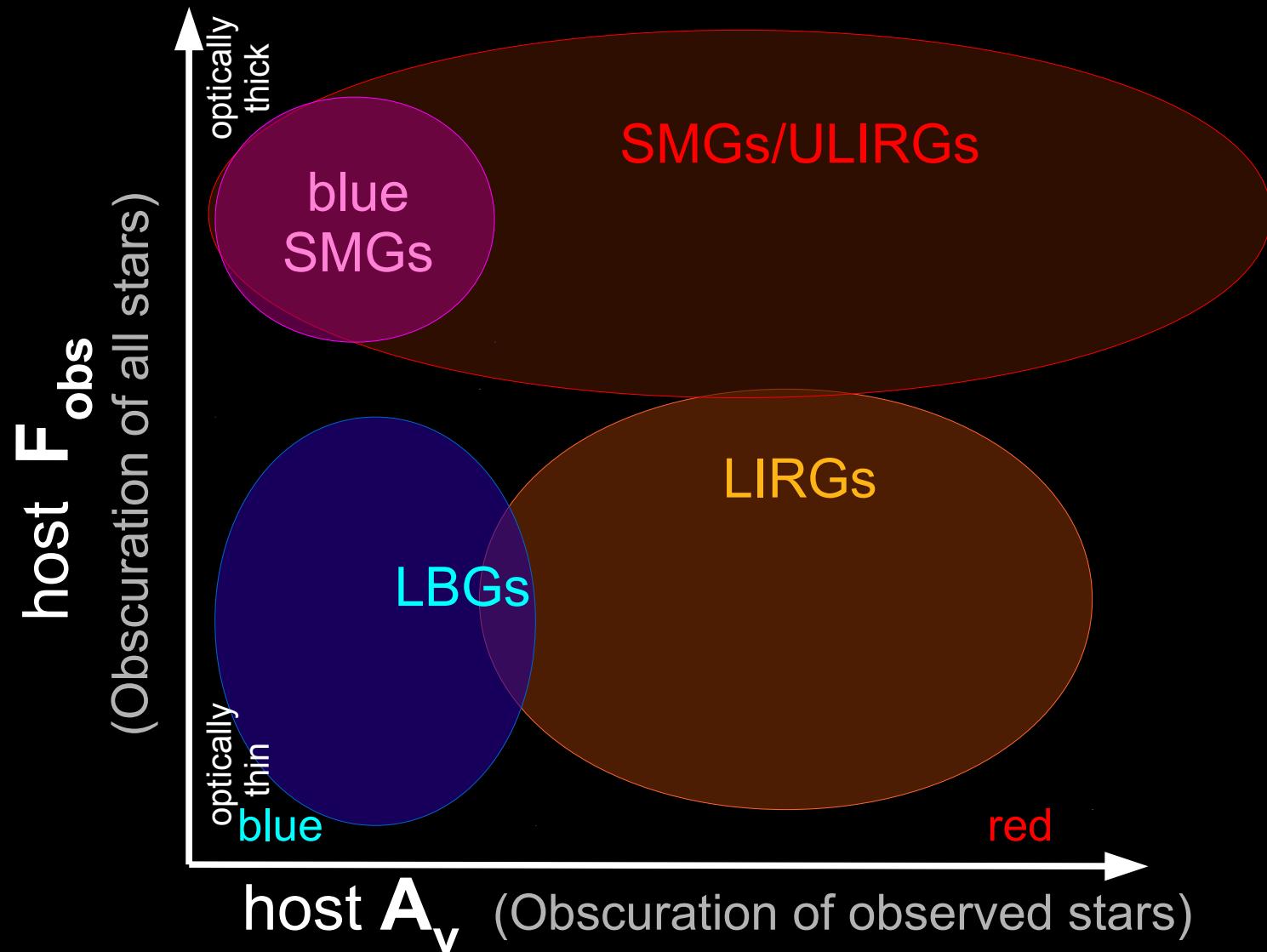




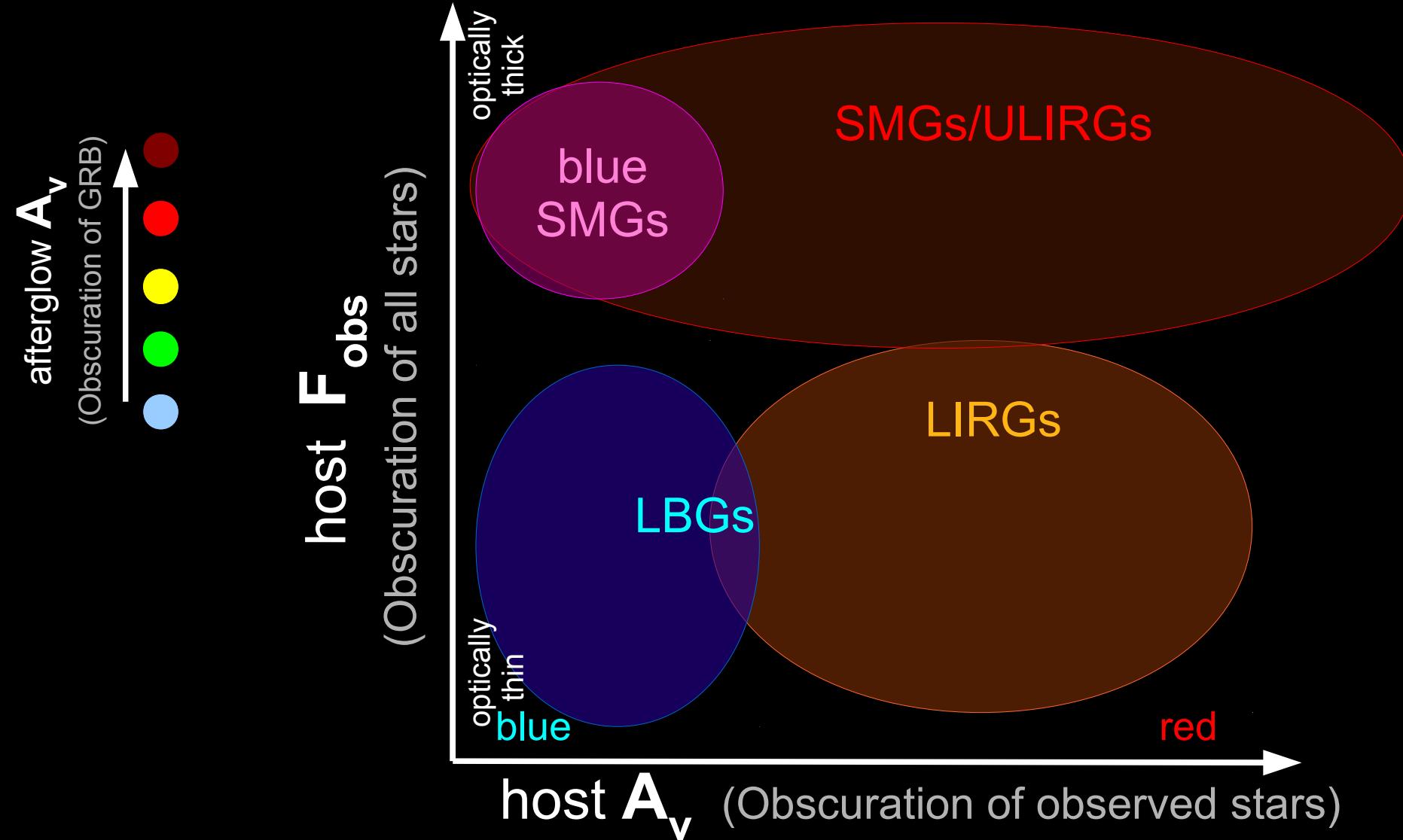
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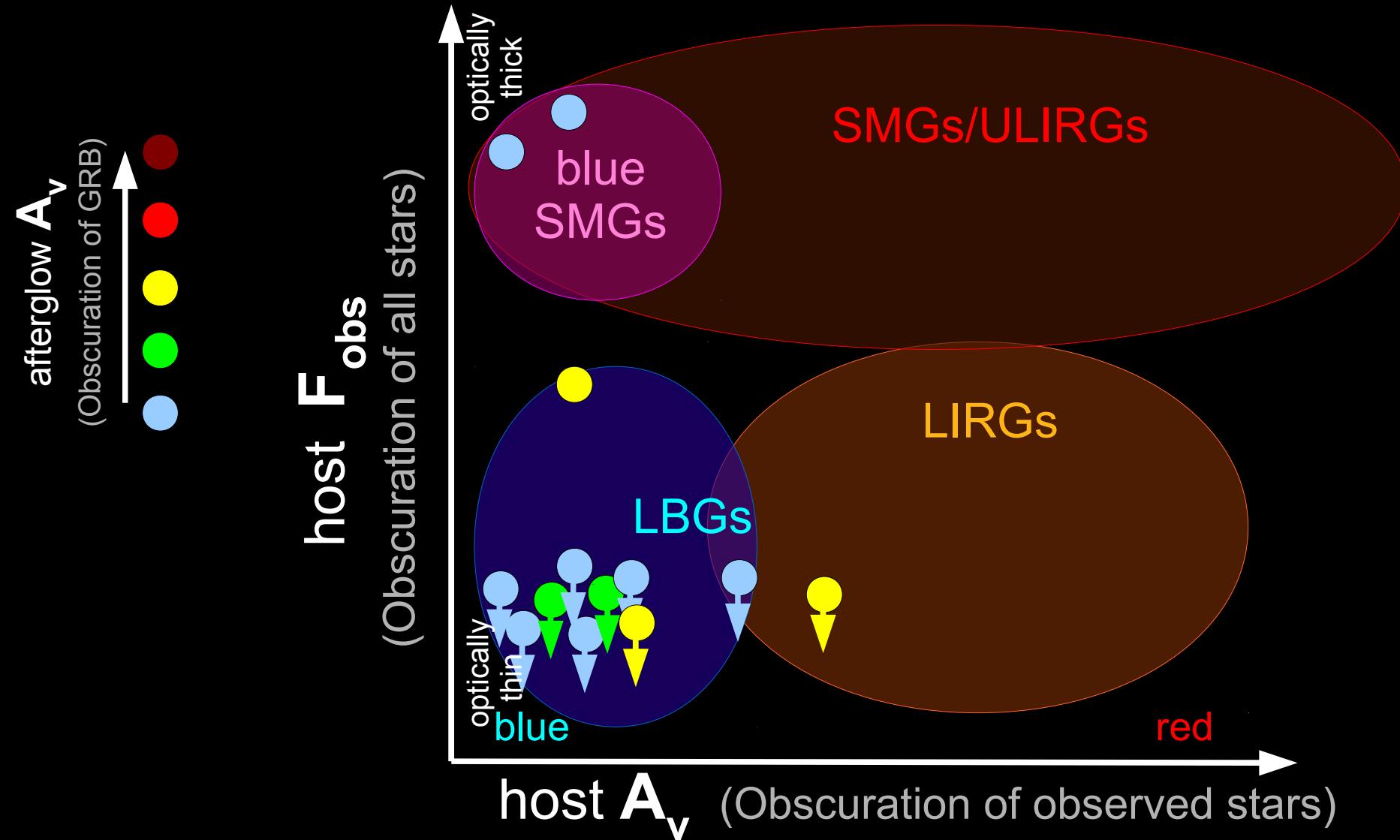
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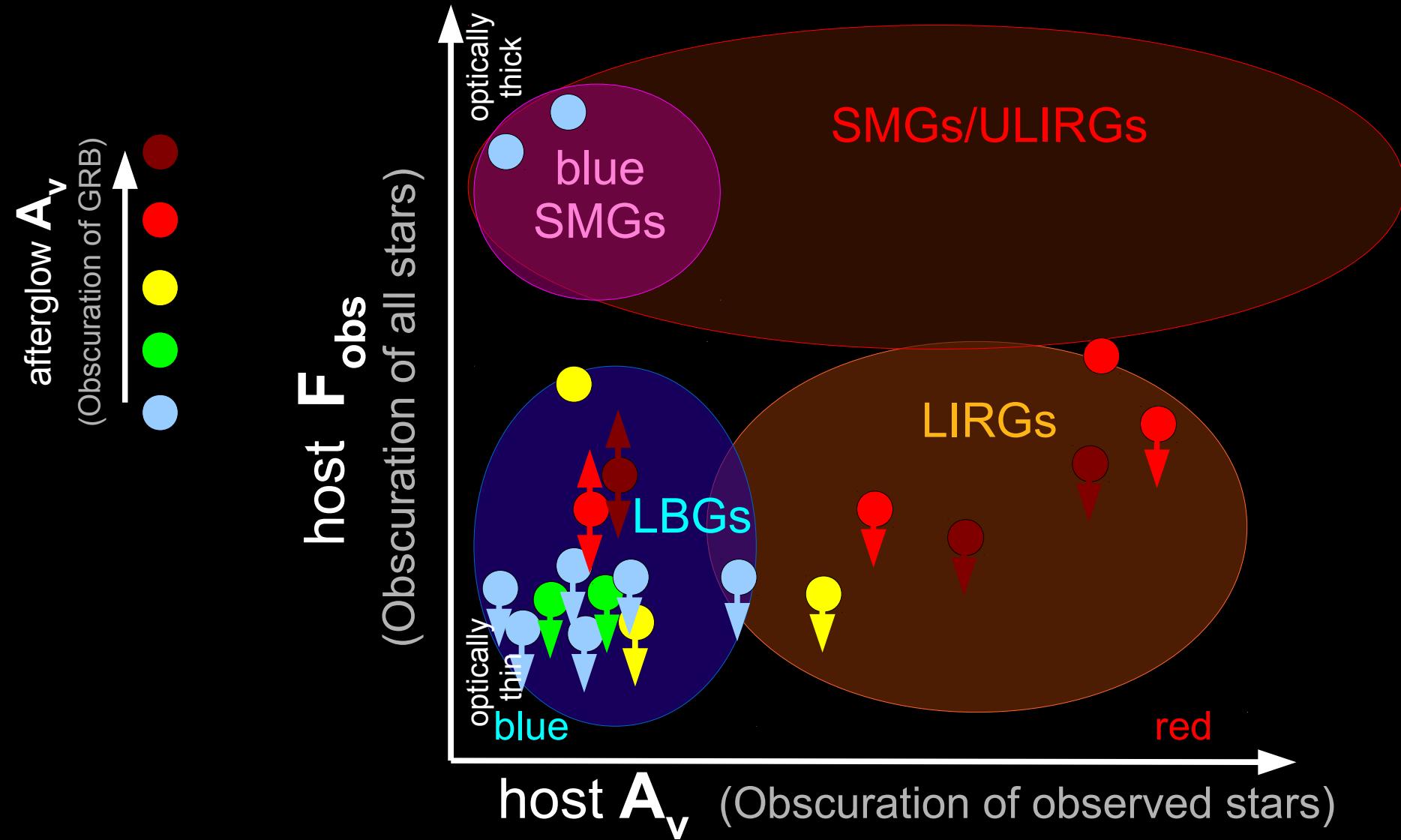
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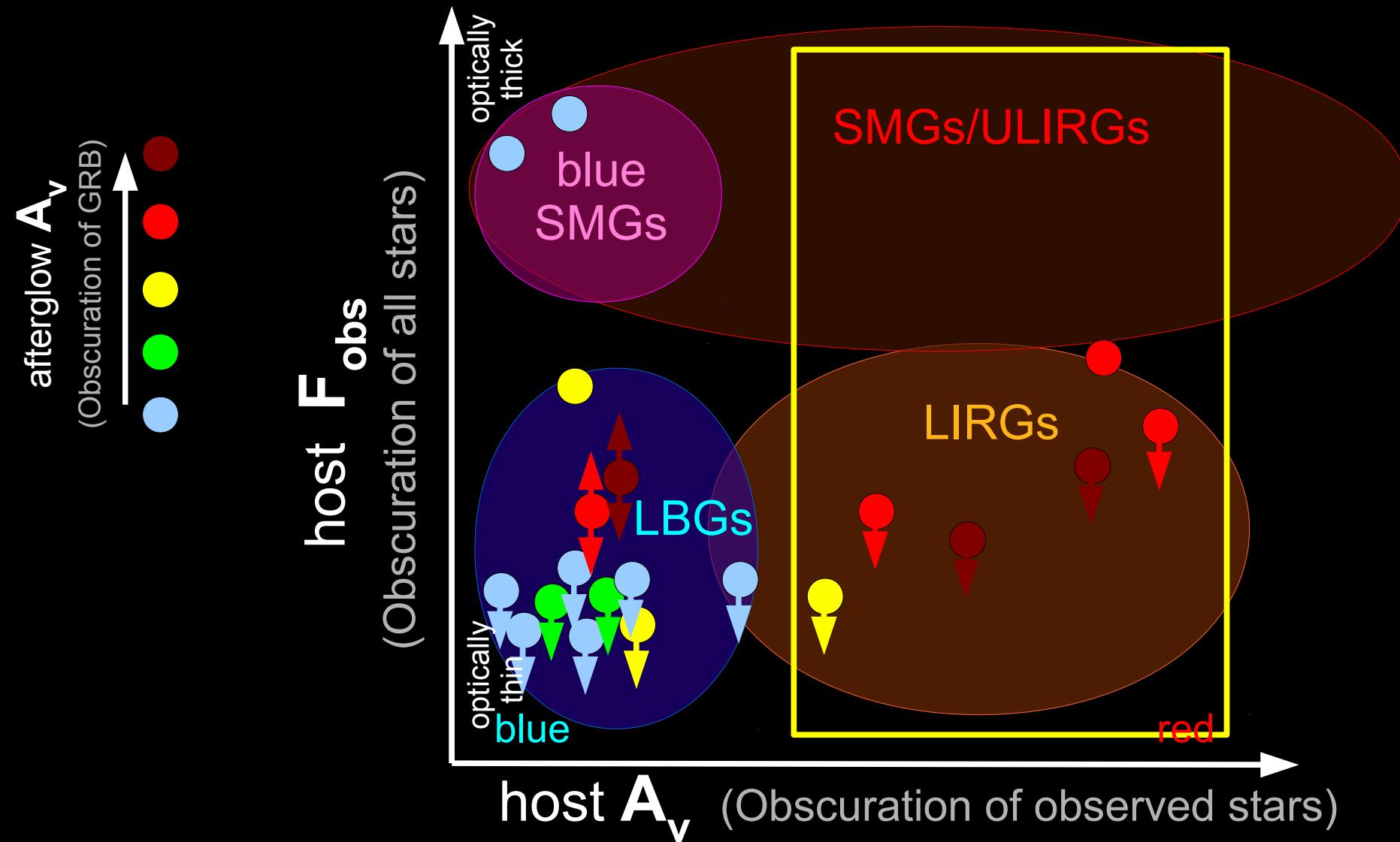
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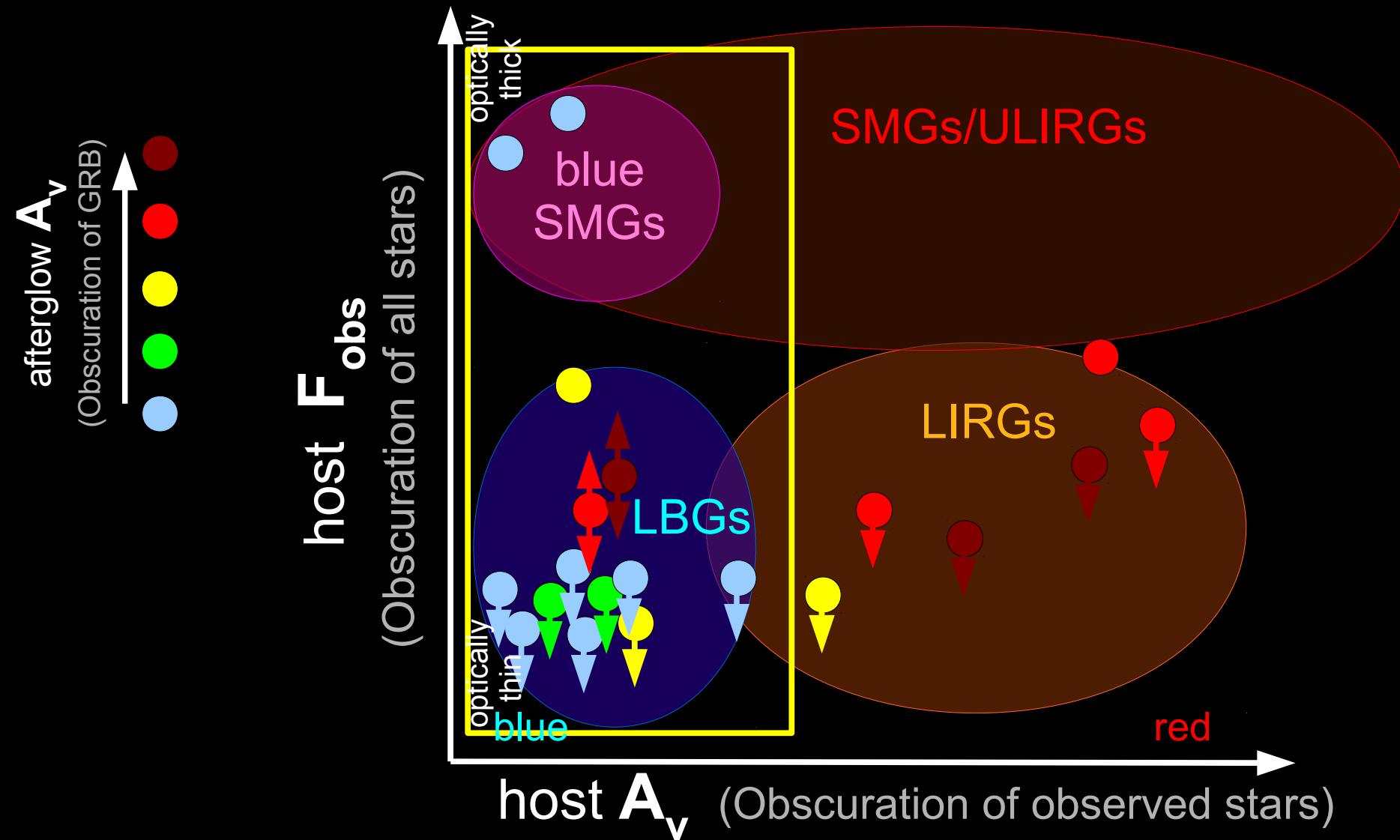
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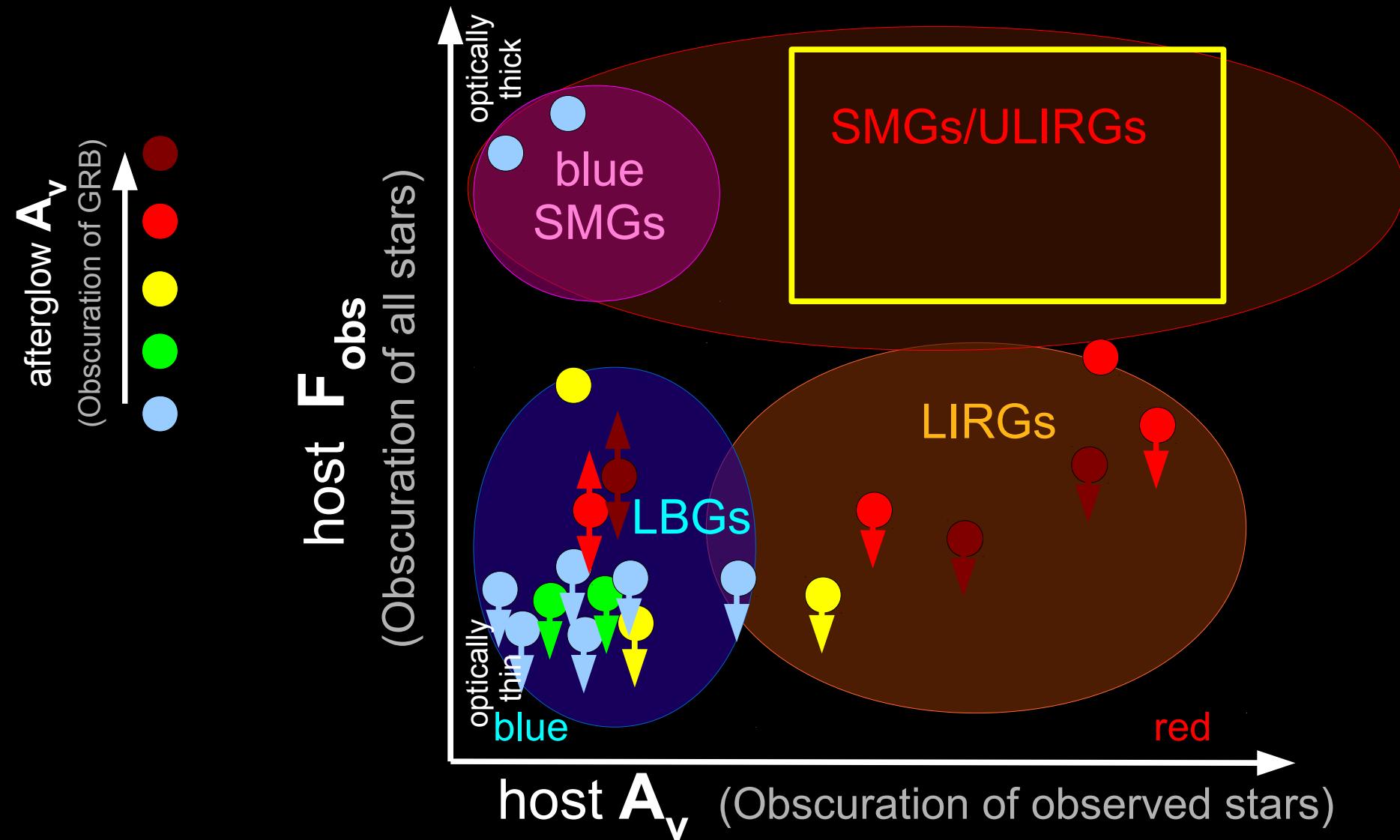
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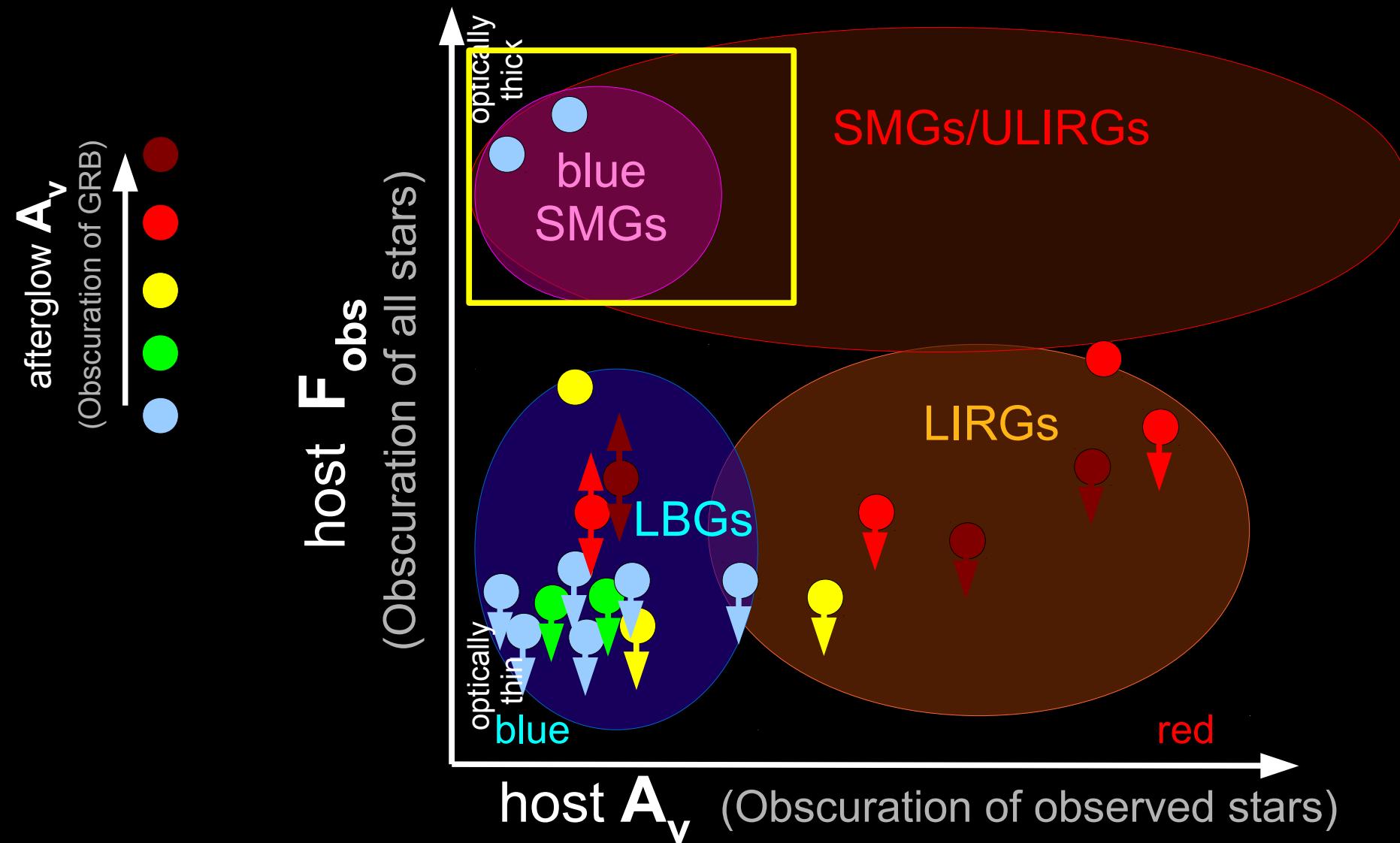
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