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*The **MAGIC** Telescope*

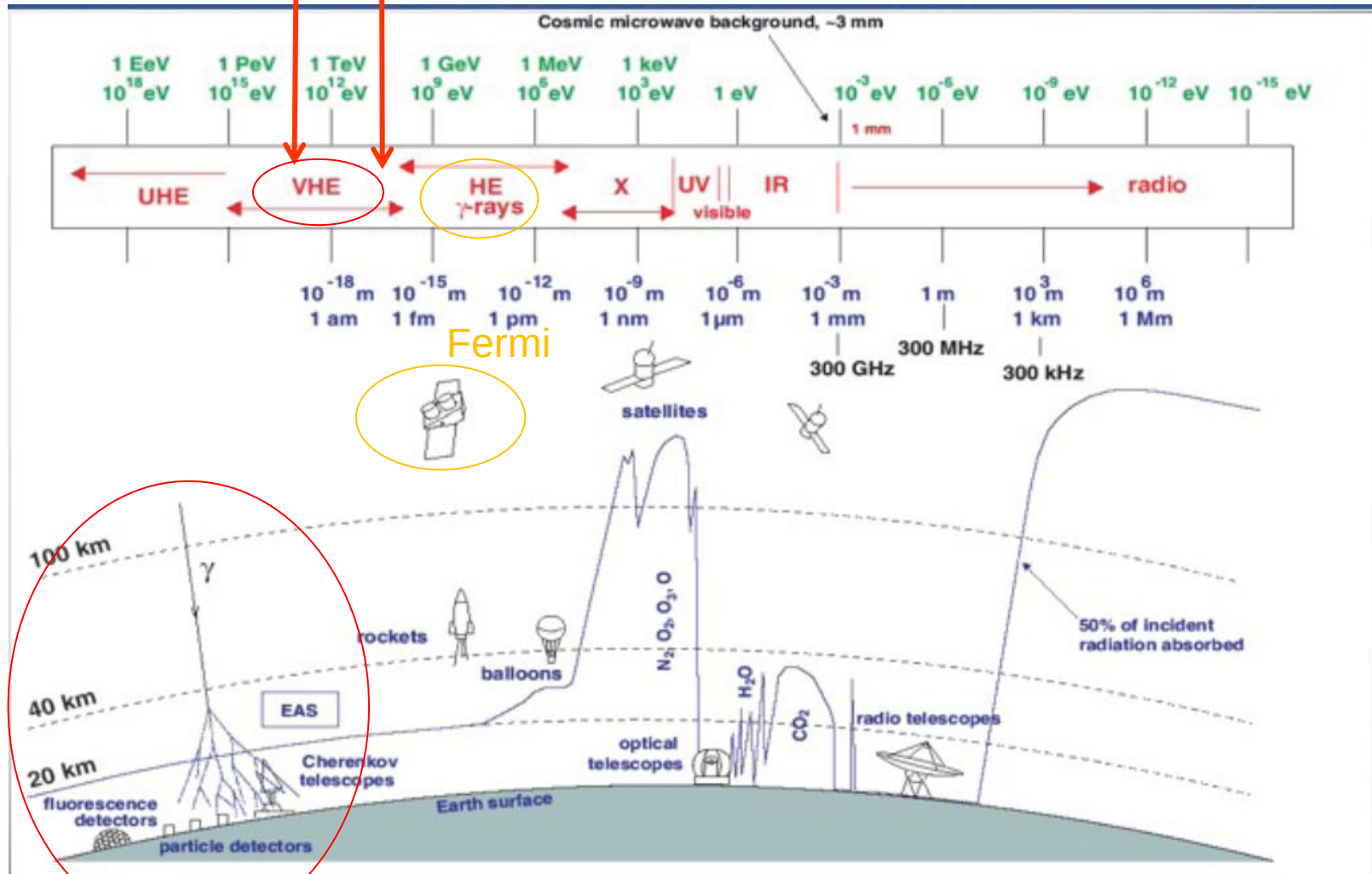


***Multi-frequency Study on Markarian 421
during the First Year of Operation of the
MAGIC Stereo Telescopes***

ShangYu Sun

Very High Energy Astronomy

MAGIC 50GeV-50TeV



VHE Observatories

Imaging Air Cherenkov Telescopes

Credits from R. Wagner

IACT Installations: the Key Players



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VERITAS

MAGIC

H.E.S.S.

MAGIC

Number of telescopes 4

2

Field of view 5°

3.5°

Reflector diameter 12 m

17 m (the largest IACT)

Working Energy Range >160 GeV

>50 GeV

- Located @ Roque de Los Muchachos (La Palma, Canary Islands, Spain) 2200 m a.s.l.
- MAGIC-I since 2004
- MAGIC-II since 2009
- Sensitivity 0.8% Crab (for $E > 260 \text{ GeV}$, 50hr)
- Energy resolution 20% at 100 GeV, 15% at 1 TeV
- Angular resolution $\sim 0.07^\circ$ at 1 TeV
- Light weight carbon fiber structure -> Fast repositioning (GRB)
- sum trigger mode can lower energy threshold to 25 GeV (pulsar)
- Enhanced duty cycle due to moonlight & twilight observations

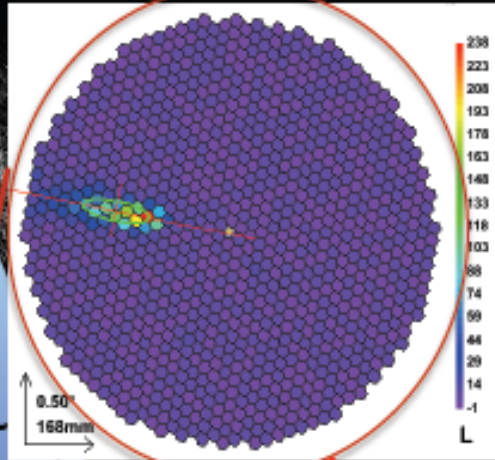
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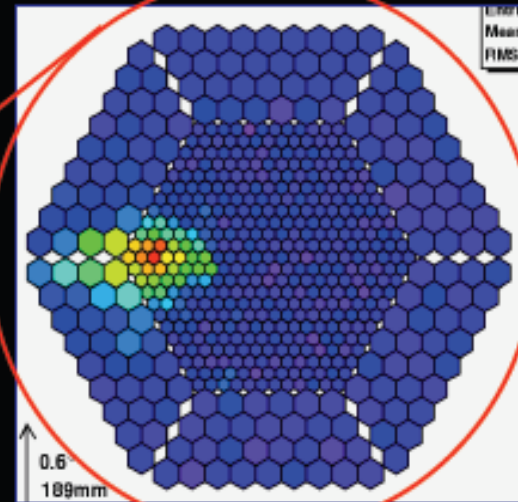
Imaging Air Cherenkov Technique

Credits from N. Mankuzhiyil

γ ray
particle shower

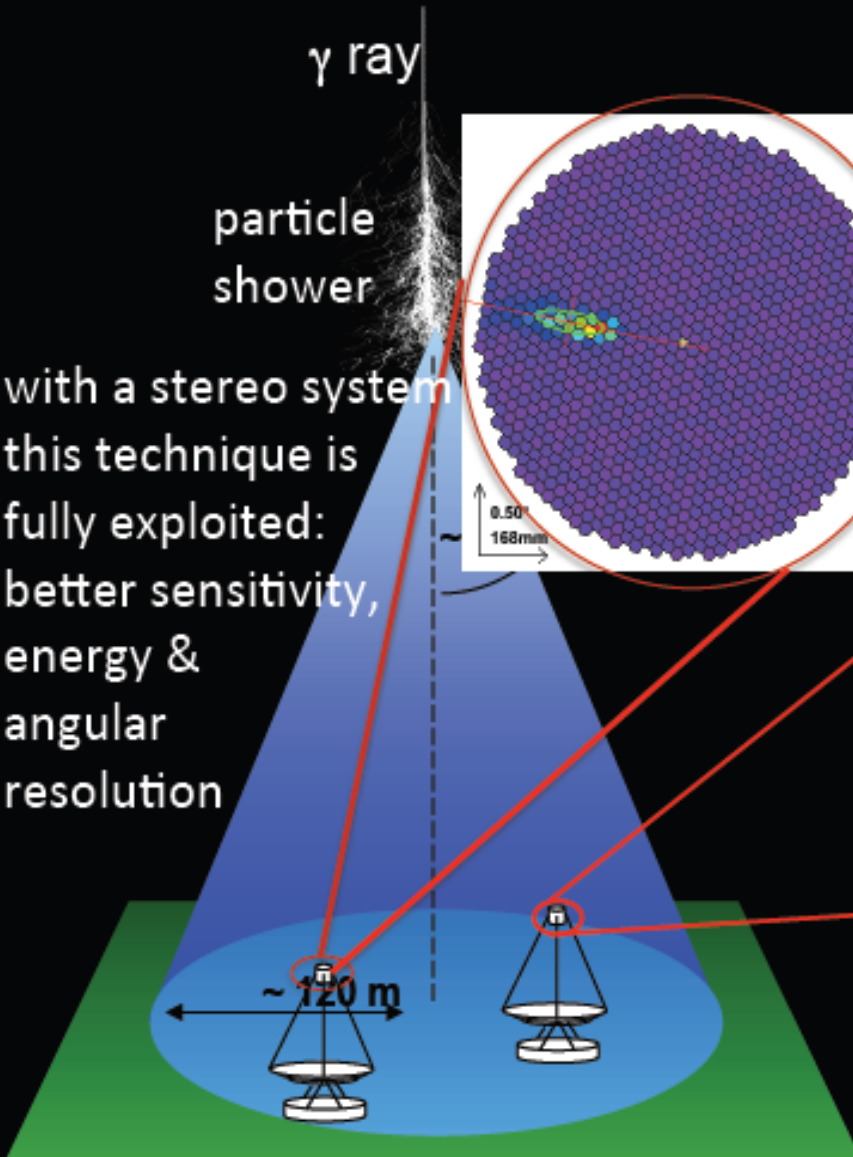


Cherenkov light image of shower in telescope camera



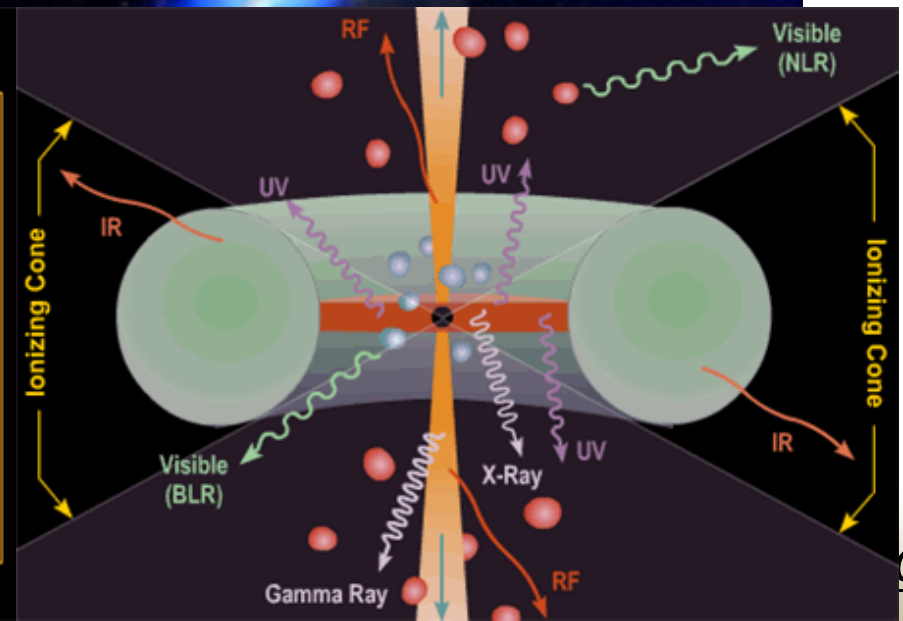
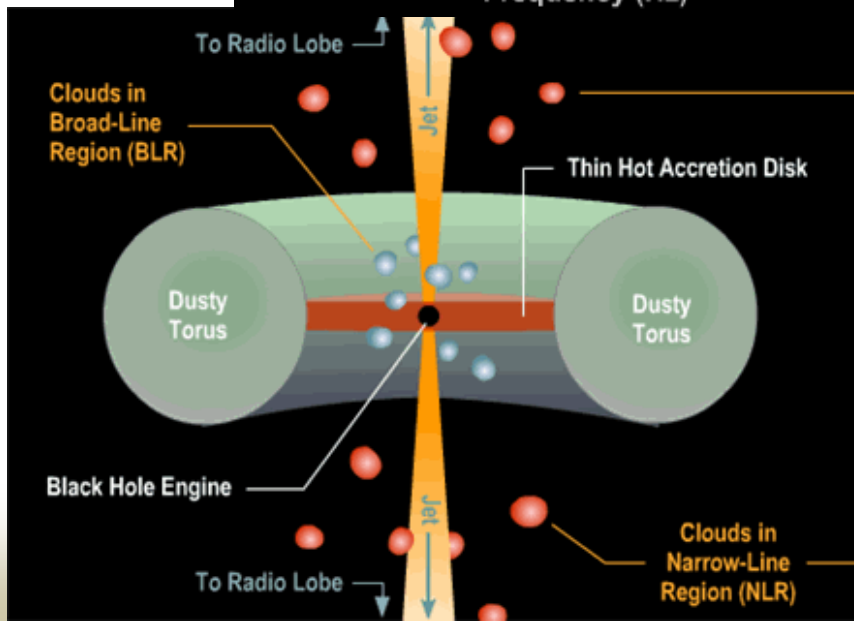
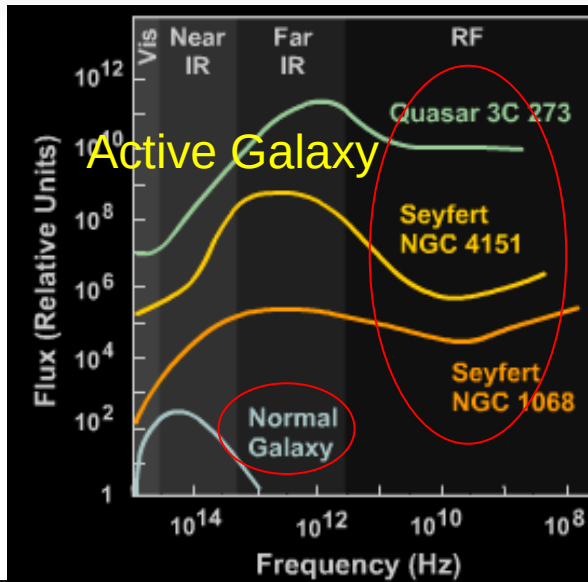
- reconstruct:
arrival direction, energy
- reject hadron background
statistically in the analysis

with a stereo system
this technique is
fully exploited:
better sensitivity,
energy &
angular
resolution



Active Galactic Nuclei (AGN) of Active Galaxies

Credits from
Brooks/Cole
Thomson
Learning



TeV Extragalactic Sources

Credits from R. Wagner

Name	redshift	reference
NGC 253	3.3 Mpc	Aharonian, et al., Science Express (09/2009)
Centaurus A	3.8 Mpc	Raue et al., arXiv0904.2654 (2009)
M 82	4.0 Mpc	Benbow et al., proc of ICRC (2009)
M 87	16.7 Mpc	Aharonian et al., A&A, 403, L1 (2003)
3C66B(?)	0.022	Aliu et al., ApJ, 692, L29 (2009)
Markarian 421	0.030	Punch et al., Nature, 358, 477 (1992)
Markarian 501	0.034	Quinn et al., ApJ, 456, L83 (1996)
1ES 2344+514	0.044	Catanese et al., ApJ, 501, 616 (1998)
Markarian 180	0.045	Albert et al., astro-ph/0606630 (2006)
1ES 1959+650	0.047	Nishiyama et al., 29 th ICRC, 3, 370 (1999)
PKS 548-322	0.067	Superina et al., Proc. Of ICRC (2007)
BL Lacertae	0.069	Albert et al., astro-ph/0703084 (2007)
PKS 2005-489	0.071	Aharonian et al., A&A, 436, L17 (2005)
W Comae	0.102	Swordy et al., ATel #1422 (2008)
PKS 2155-304	0.116	Chadwick et al., ApJ, 513, 161 (1999)
RGB J0710+591	0.125	Ong et al., ATel#1941 (2009)
H 1426+428	0.129	Horan et al., ApJ, 571, 753 (2002)
1ES 0806+524	0.138	Swordy et al., ATel #1415 (2008)
1ES 0229+200	0.139	Proc. Of ICRC 2007
PKS 1424+240	0.16(?)	Ong et al., ATel#2084 (2009)
H 2356-309	0.165	Aharonian et al., Nature, 440, 1018 (2006)
1ES 1218+304	0.182	Albert et al., ApJ, 642, L119 (2006)
1ES 1101-232	0.186	Aharonian et al., Nature, 440, 1018 (2006)
1ES 0347-121	0.188	Proc. Of ICRC 2007
RBS 0413	0.190	Ong et al., ATel#2272 (2009)
PKS 0447-439	0.200	Raue et al., ATel #2350 (2009)
1ES 1011+496	0.212	Albert et al., ApJ, 667, L21 (2007)
1ES 0414+009	0.287	Hofmann, Fegan, et al., ATel #2293 (2009)
1ES 0502+675	0.341	Ong et al., ATel#2301 (2009)
VER J0521+211	???	Ong et al., ATel#2260 (2009)
PG 1553+113	>0.09?	Aharonian et al., A&A, 448, L19 (2006)
S50716+714	???	Teshima et al., ATel #1500 (2008)
3C 66A	>0.096	Swordy et al., ATel #1753 (2008)
3C 279	0.54	Errando et al., ArXiv preprint (2008)

Star burst galaxies
Radio galaxies

Unclear
Blazars

46 TeV extragalactic sources

3 x FR-I,

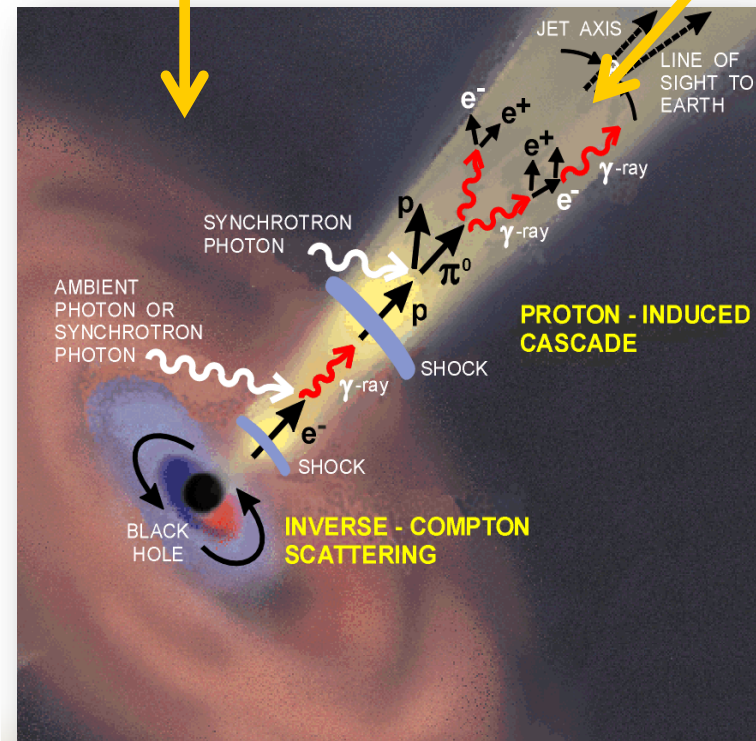
2 x Starburst galaxies,

4 x FSRQs,

37 x BL Lacs

FRI, FRII
(Radio Galaxies)

BL Lac, FSRQ
(Blazars)



MAGIC

Why to study Markarian 421

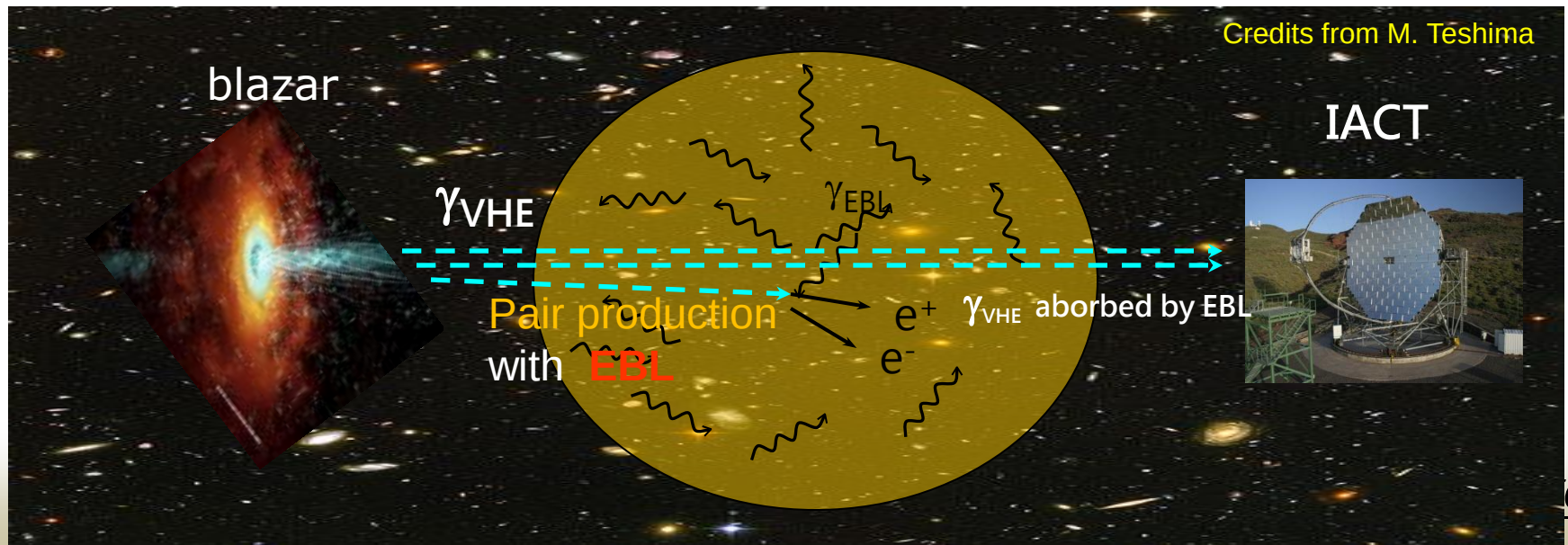
Excellent laboratory for studying High Energy blazar emission

- VHE flux ~ 0.5 Crab
- ~ 3 minutes can reach 5 sigma of detection by MAGIC
- $z = 0.03$
- low **EBL** absorption
- more intrinsic spectrum

Extragalactic Background Light (EBL)

all the accumulated radiation in the Universe due to **star formation** processes, plus a contribution from **AGNs**.

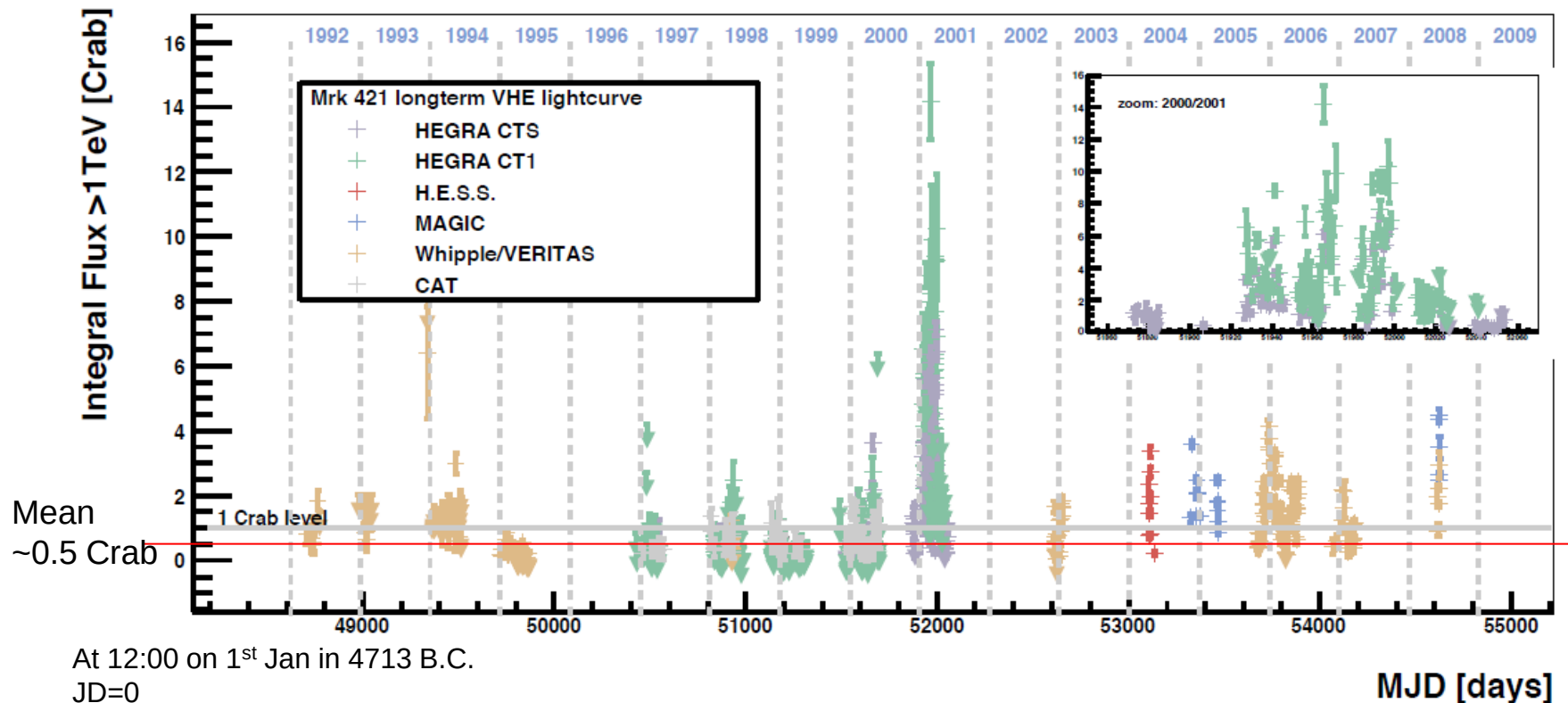
- Primarily ultraviolet, optical, and infrared



Long Term TeV Monitoring on Mrk421

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arXiv:1010.5659v1 M. Fluczykont et al.: Long-term γ -ray lightcurves



At 12:00 on 1st Jan in 4713 B.C.

JD=0

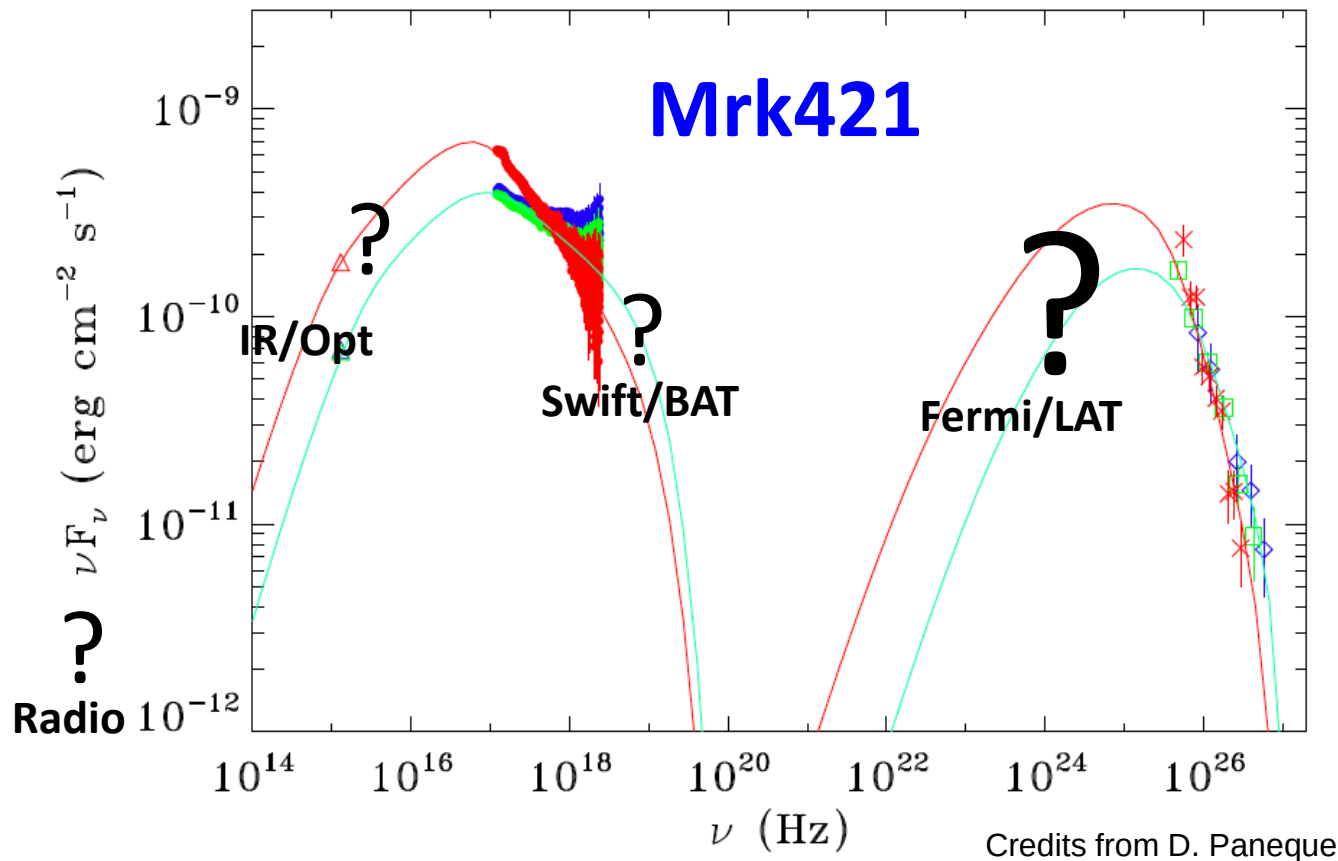
MJD = JD - 2400000.5

Fig. 1. Long-term lightcurve of Mrk 421 (day-wise integral flux). Data from the major γ -ray telescopes were combined and normalized to the same energy threshold (1 TeV) and converted to Crab units (see text). A zoom into the period of strong activity (2000/2001) is also shown.

Why do we need “extensive” multi-wavelength study on Markarian 421 ?

The Astrophysical Journal, 703:169–178, 2009 September 20

Flaring activity from 2 days in 2006 and 2008 : XMM, MAGIC, VERITAS (+Whipple)



Too little data
cannot well
constrain
parameters in
the model

**We need more data on different frequency bands
to constrain emission models !!**

Mrk421 multi-wavelength campaigns

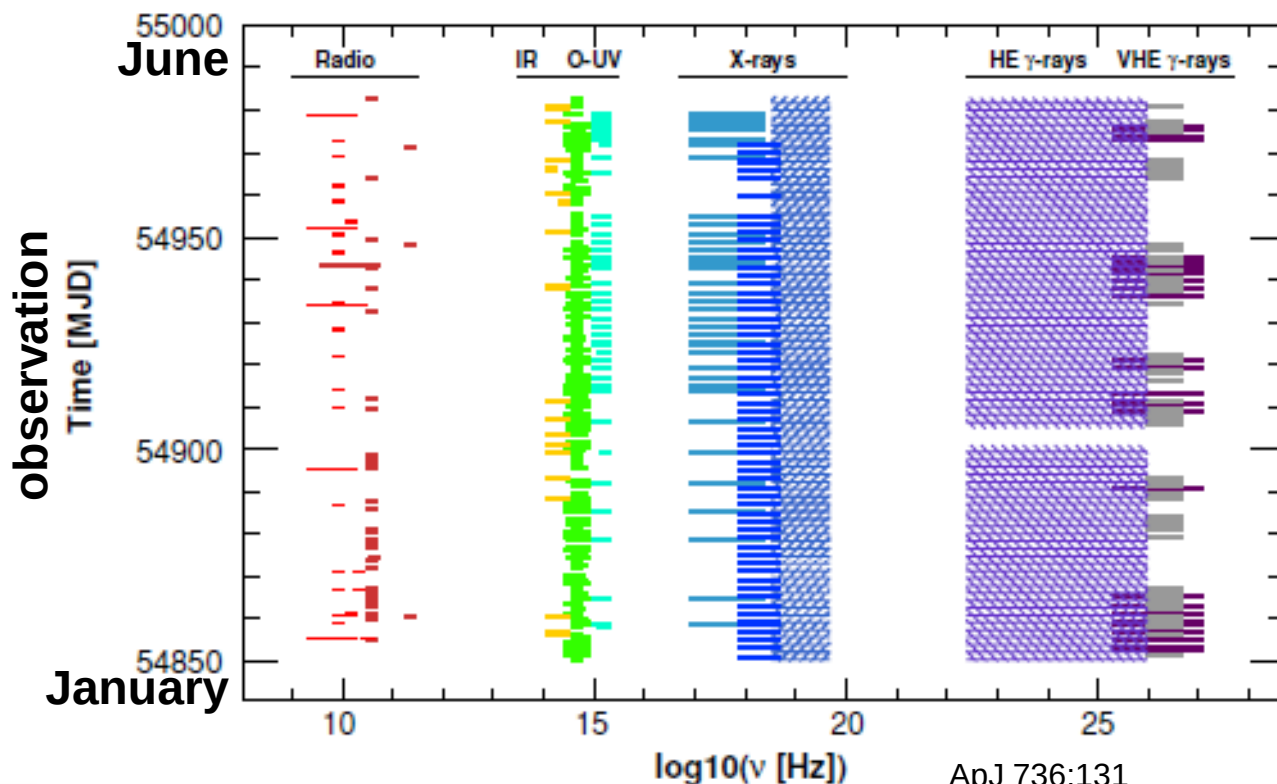
Past MW campaigns

Mrk421 (Jan19, 2009-Jun1, 2009: **4.5 months**)

Mrk421 (Dec8, 2009-Jun20, 2010: **6 months**)

Mrk421 (Dec1, 2010-Jun15, 2011: **6 months**)

Mrk421 2009 MW



More than 25 instruments

Radio: **VLBA, OVRO, Effelsberg, Metsahovi...**

mm: **SMA, IRAM-PV**

Infrared: **WIRO, OAGH**
Optical: **GASP, GRT, MITSuMe, Kanata...**

UV: **Swift-UVOT**

X-ray: **Swift-XRT, RXTE-PCA, Swift_BAT**

Gamma-ray: **Fermi-LAT**

VHE: **MAGIC, VERITAS, Whipple**

ApJ 736:131
covered frequencies :from radio to TeV

Mrk421 2009 MW Spectral Energy Distribution

The most complete Mrk421 spectrum that we ever collected !!

THE ASTROPHYSICAL JOURNAL, 736:131 (22pp), 2011 August 1

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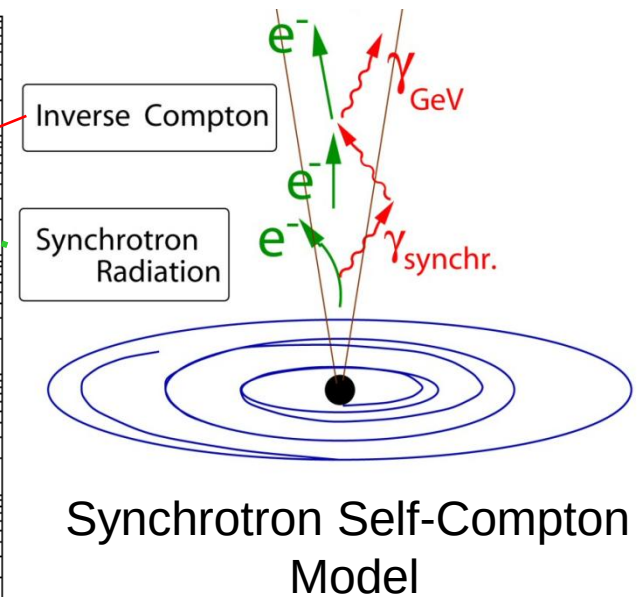
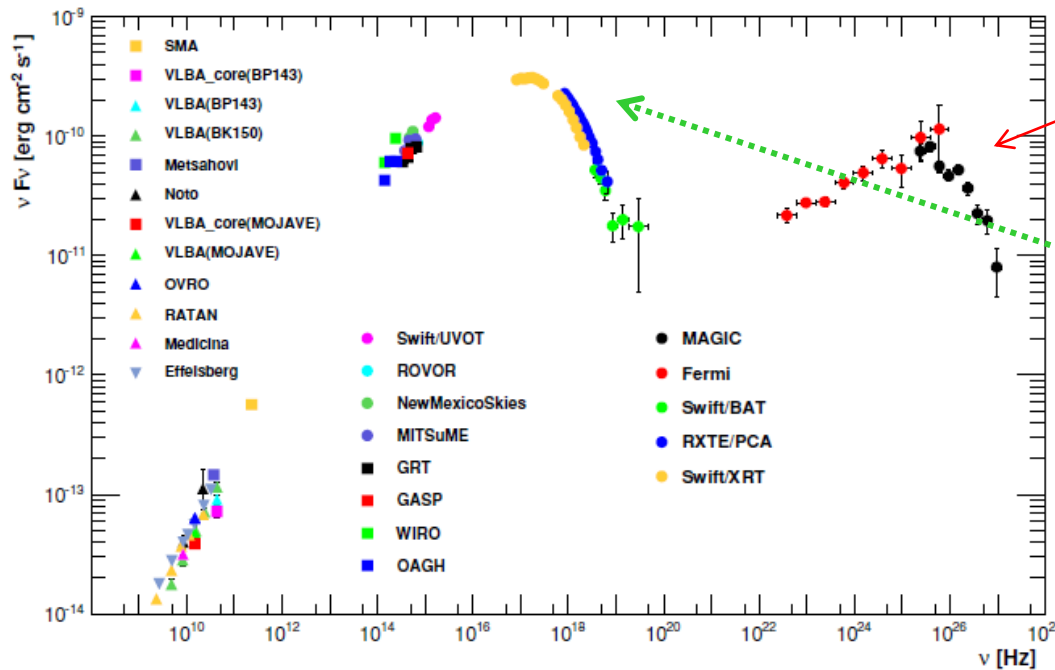
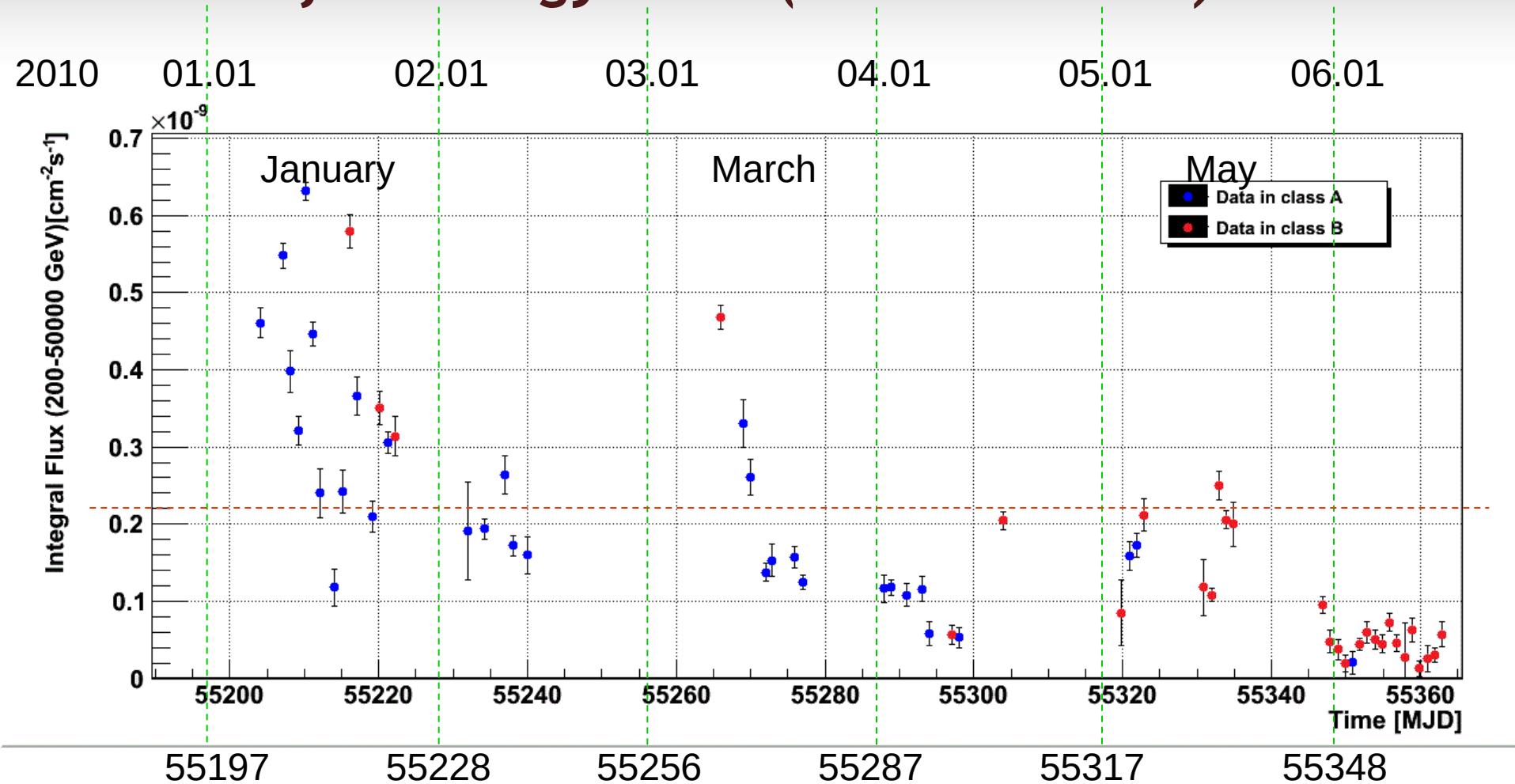


Figure 8. Spectral energy distribution of Mrk 421 averaged over all the observations taken during the multifrequency campaign from 2009 January 19 (MJD 54850) to 2009 June 1 (MJD 54983). The legend reports the correspondence between the instruments and the measured fluxes. The host galaxy has been subtracted, and the optical/X-ray data were corrected for the Galactic extinction. The TeV data from MAGIC were corrected for the absorption in the EBL using the prescription given in Franceschini et al. (2008).

Mrk421 2010.01-06 light curve full energy band (200-5000 GeV)



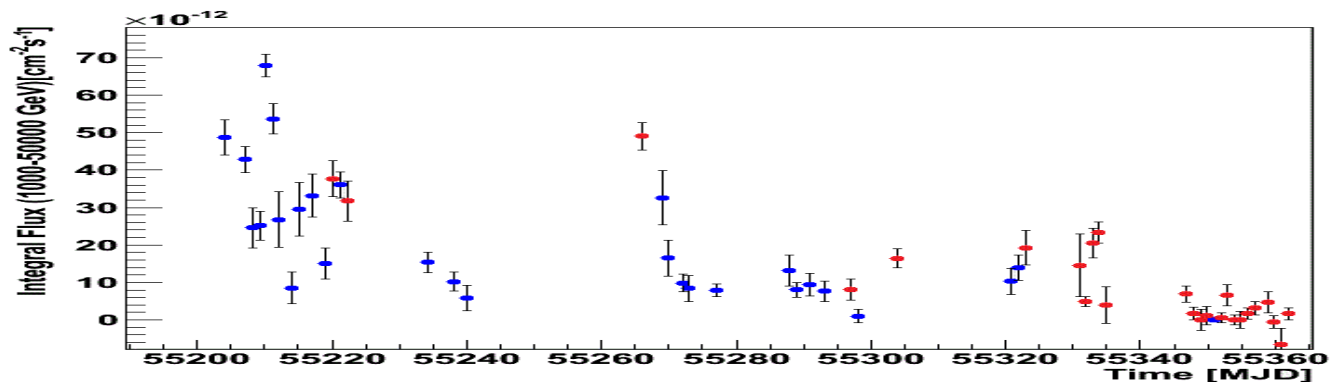
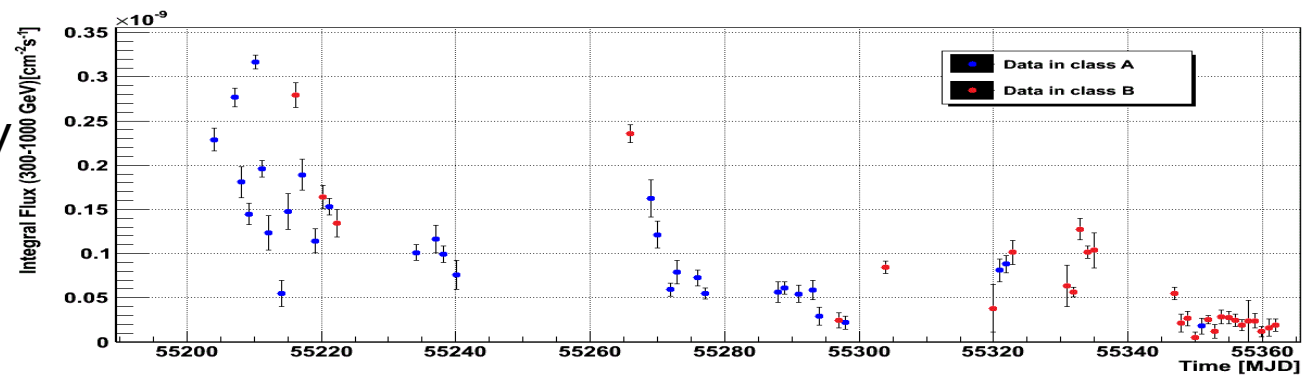
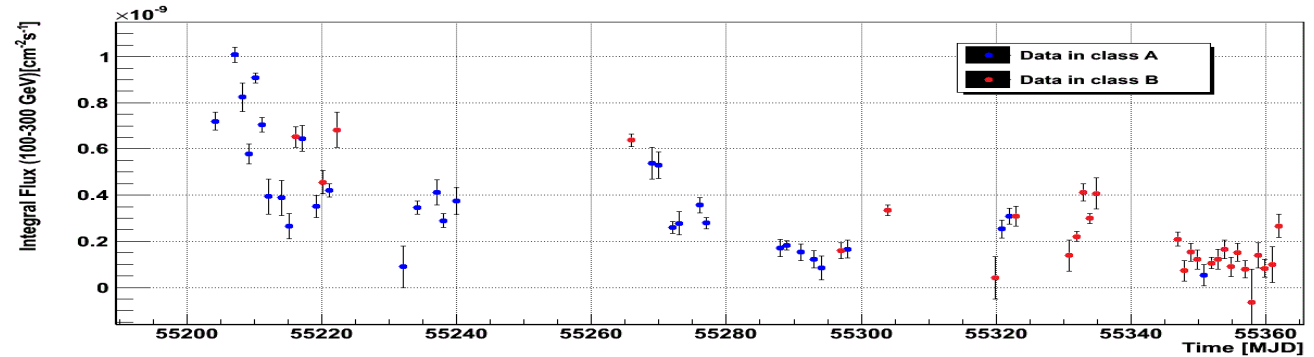
Light curve in 3 energy bands:

Full
energy
band

Low
Energy
Band
100-300 GeV

Medium
Energy
Band
300-1000 GeV

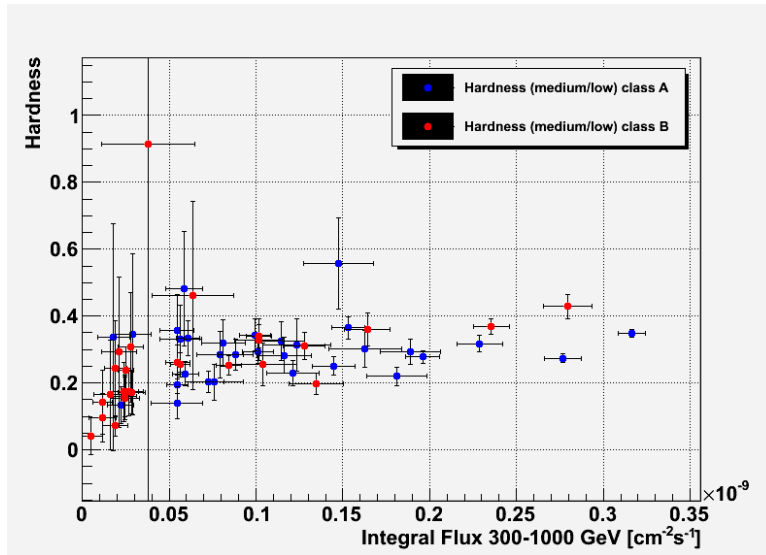
High
Energy
Band
>1TeV



Hardness Ratio vs Flux

Hardness Ratio1

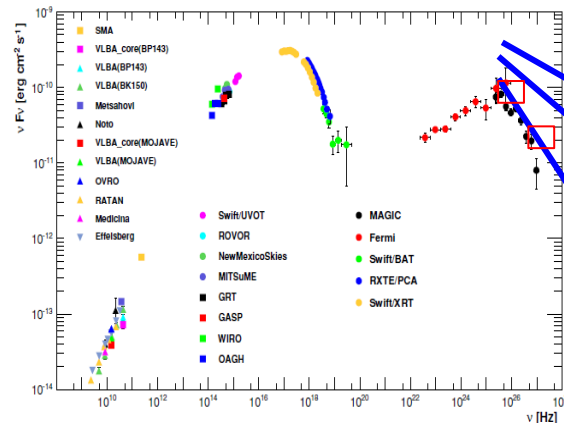
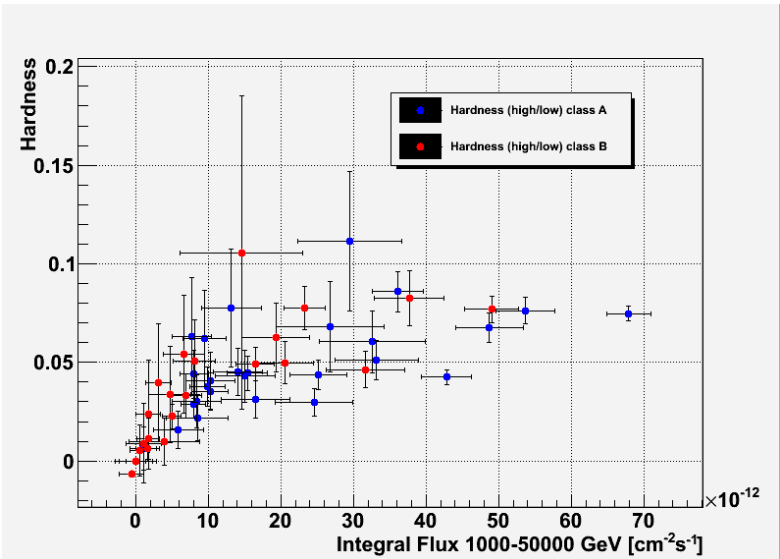
$$= \text{Flux}_{\text{medium_energy}} / \text{Flux}_{\text{low_energy}}$$



low (100-300 GeV)
medium (300-1000 GeV)
high (>1TeV)

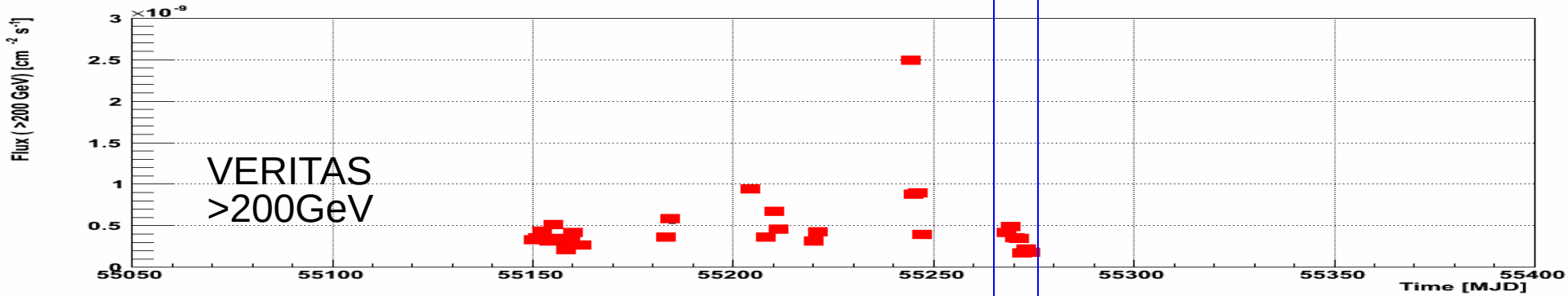
Hardness Ratio2

$$= \text{Flux}_{\text{high_energy}} / \text{Flux}_{\text{low_energy}}$$



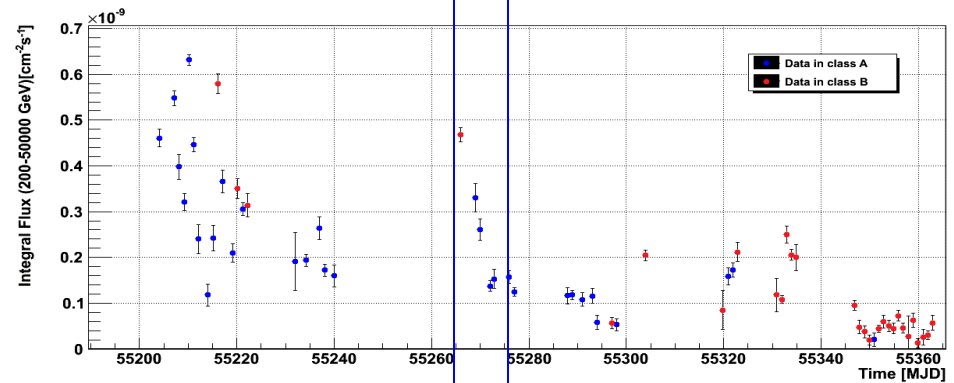
Mrk421 2010 MW light curves: VHE and Gamma rays

2010 March

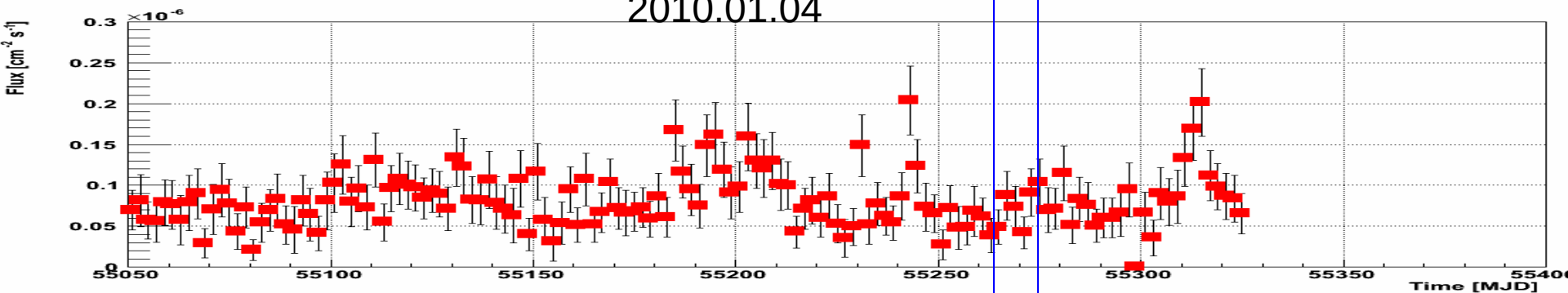


MAGIC
200GeV~50TeV

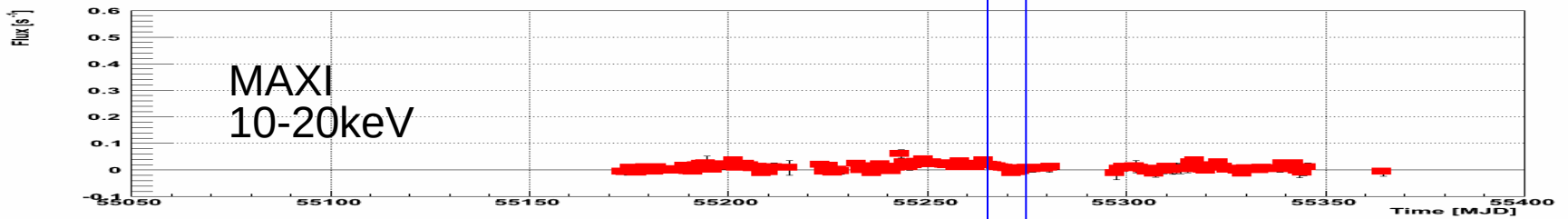
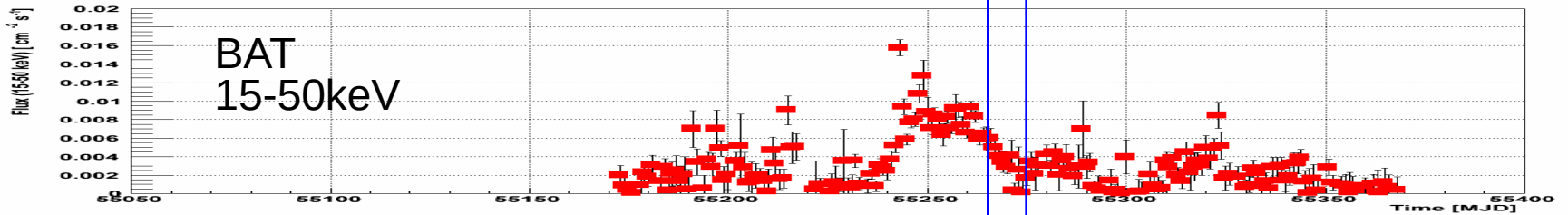
Fermi
1.89GeV~1.89TeV



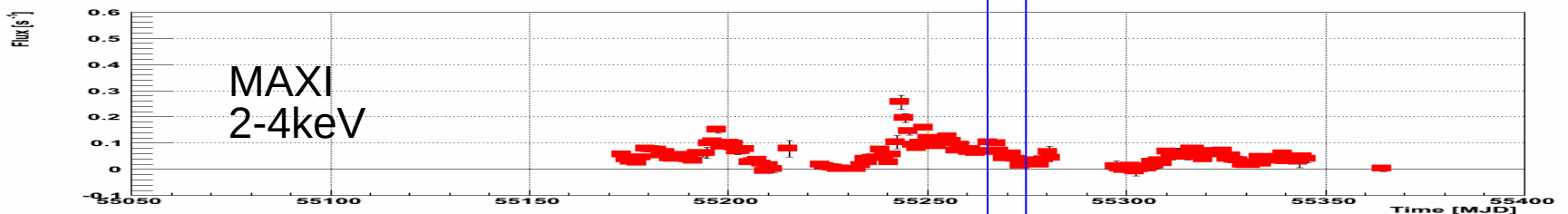
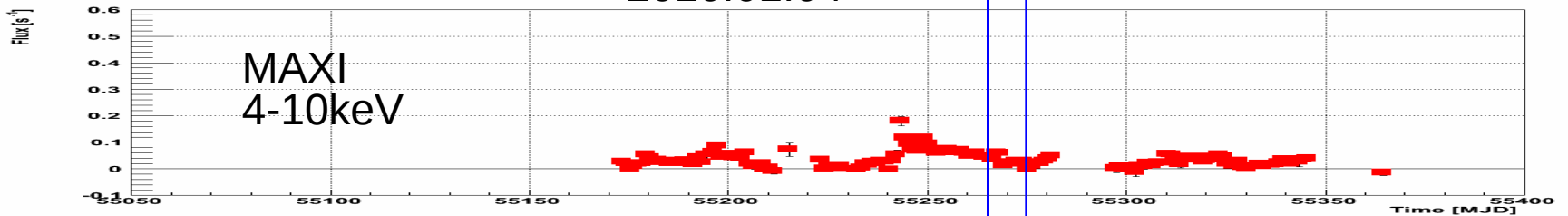
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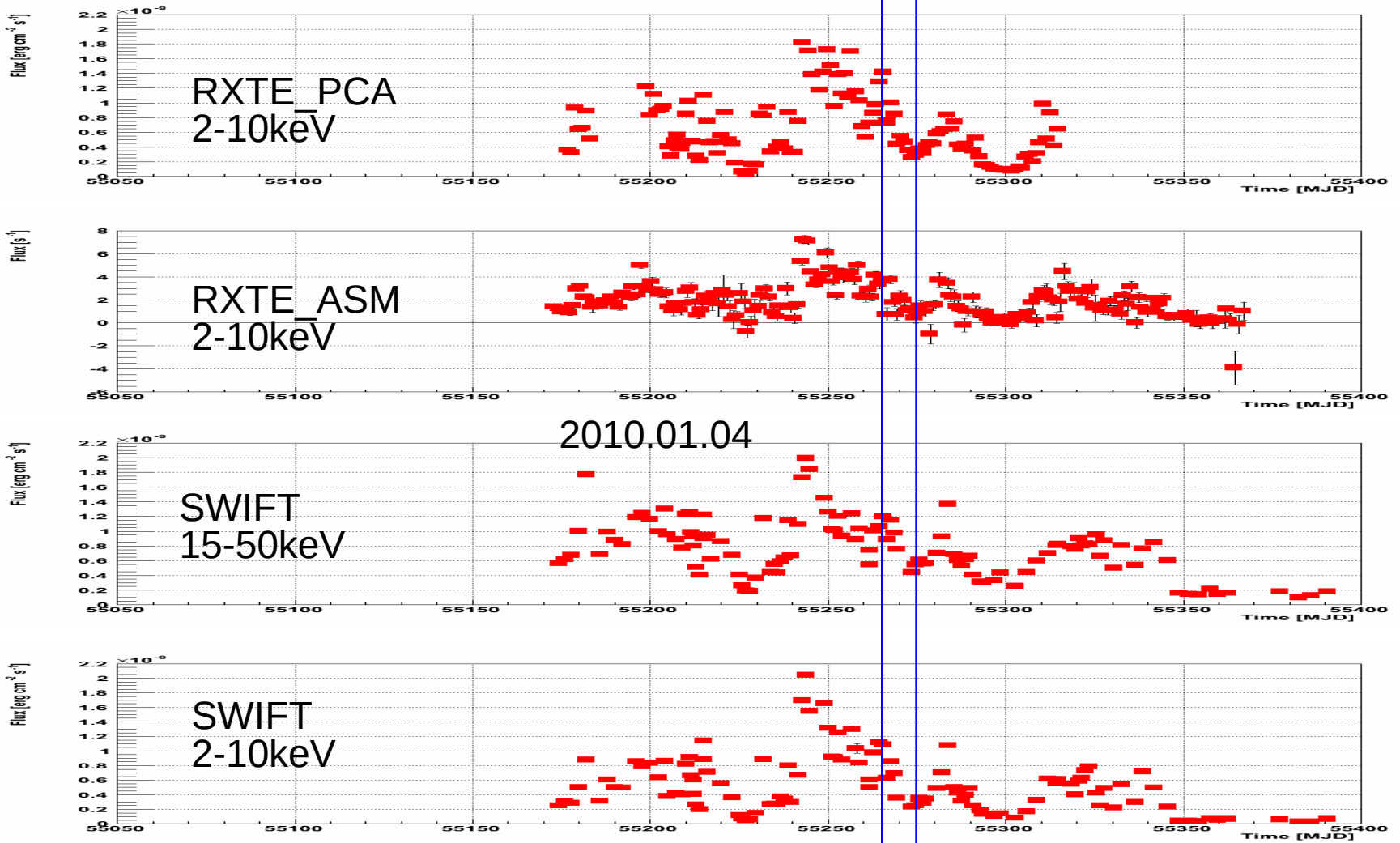
Mrk421 MW light curves: Xrays



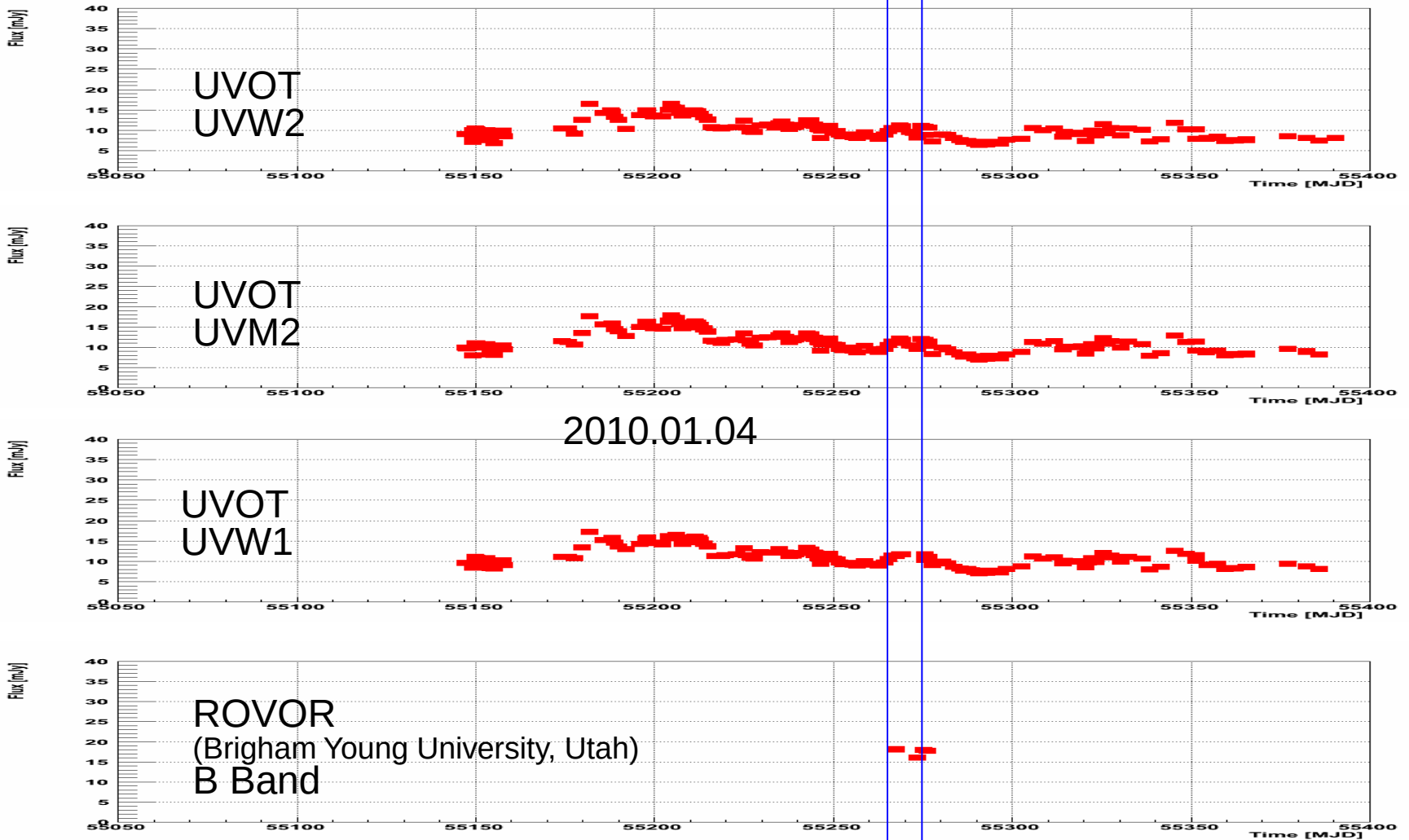
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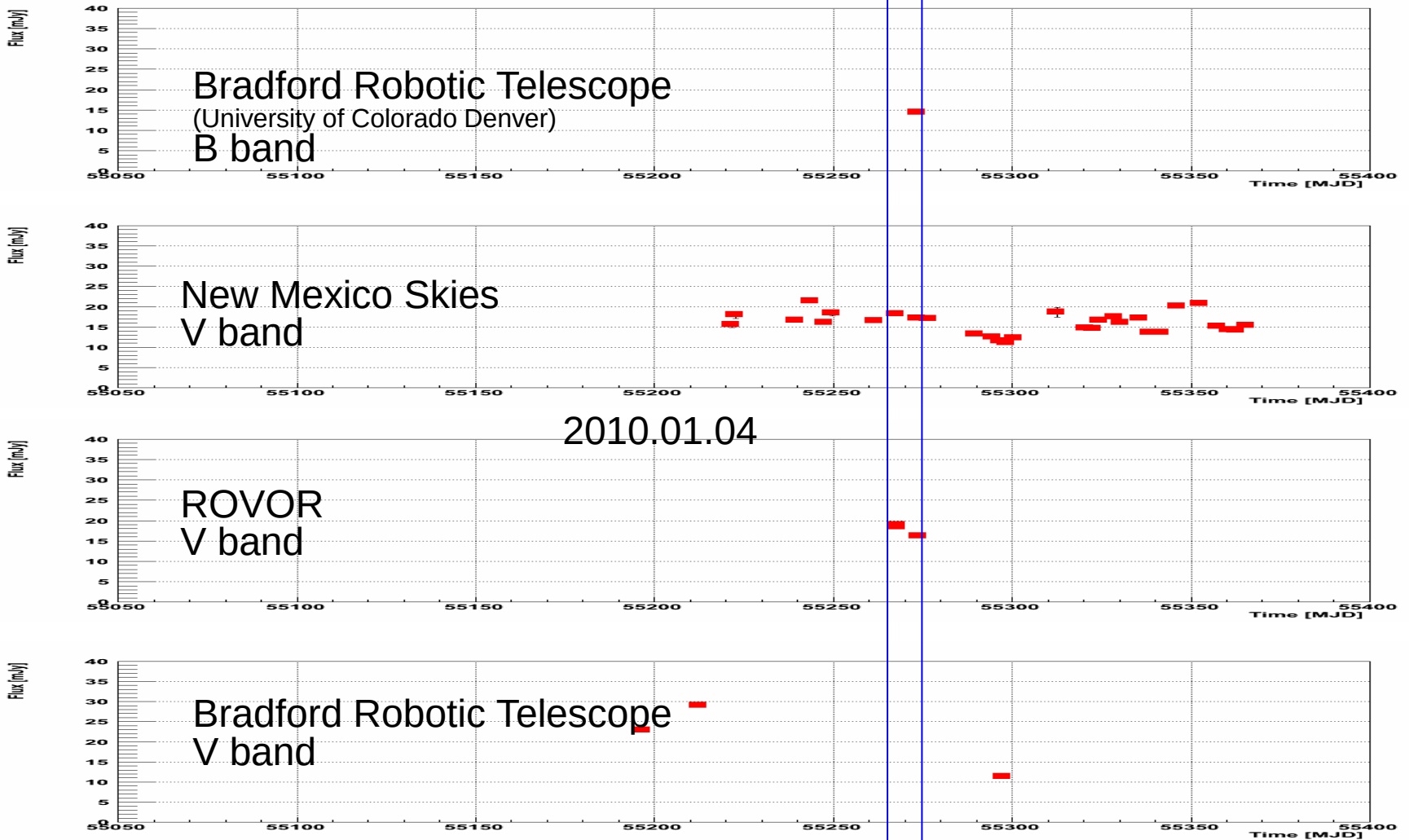
Mrk421 MW light curves: Xrays



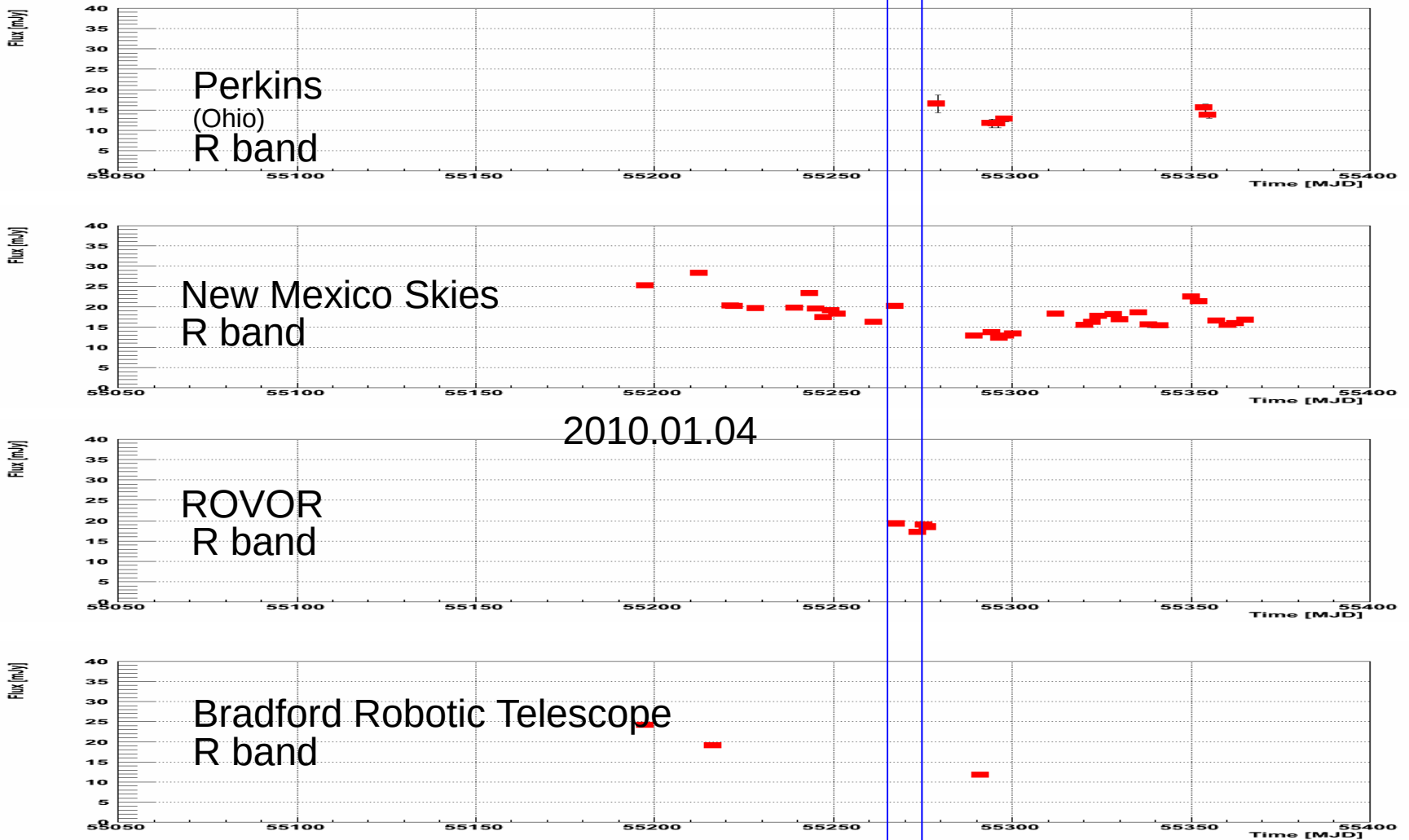
Mrk421 MW light curves: UV, Optical



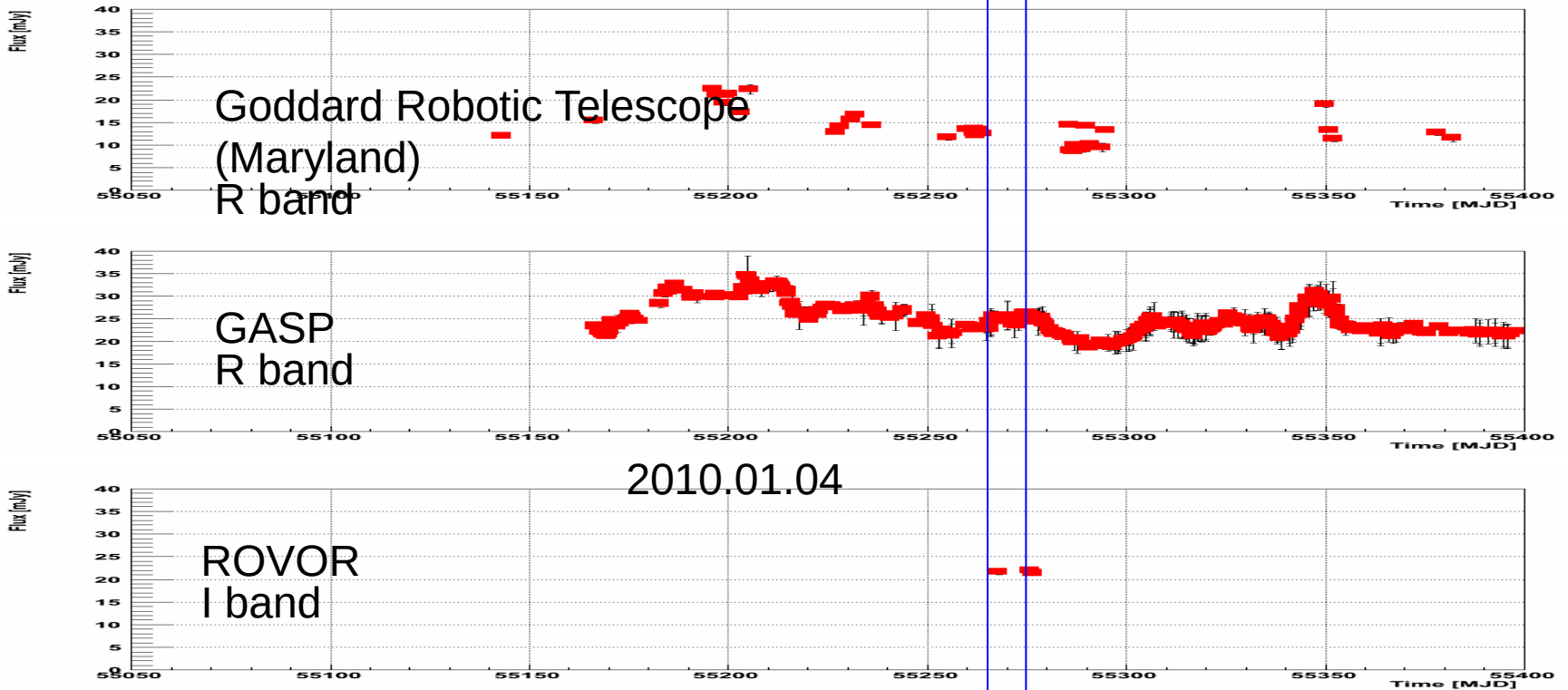
Mrk421 MW light curves: Optical



Mrk421 MW light curves: Optical

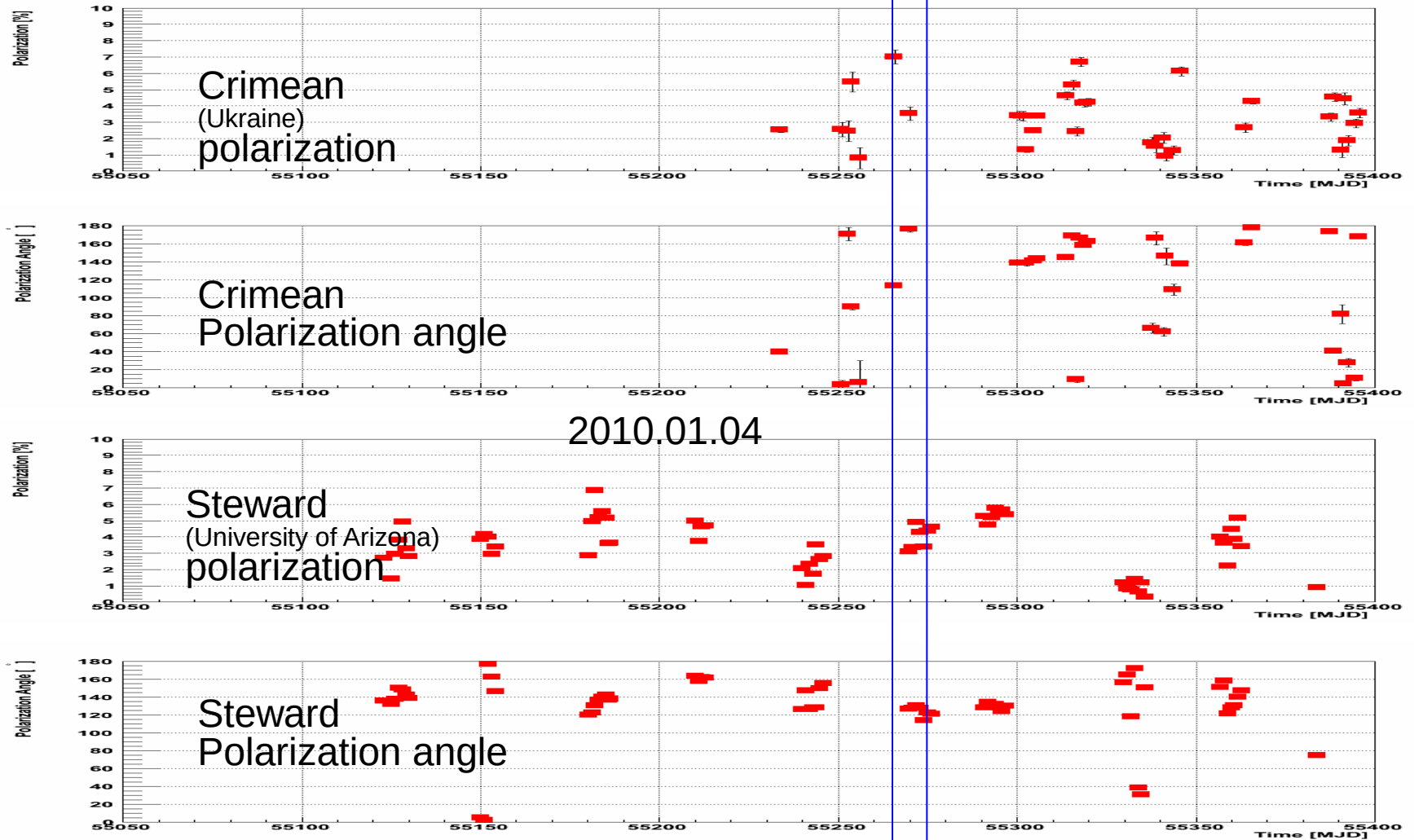


Mrk421 MW light curves: Optical

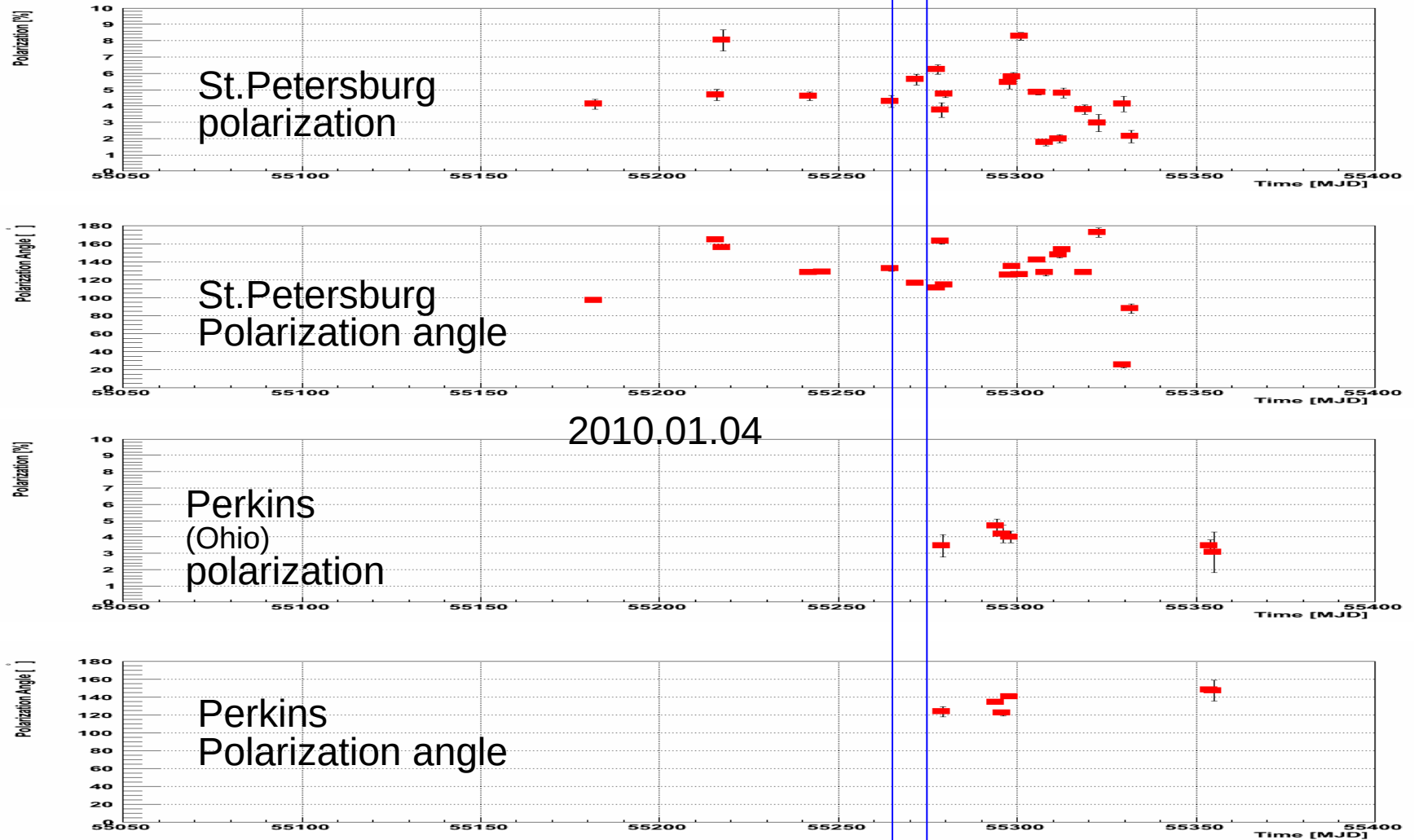


The GLAST-AGILE Support Program
(GASP)

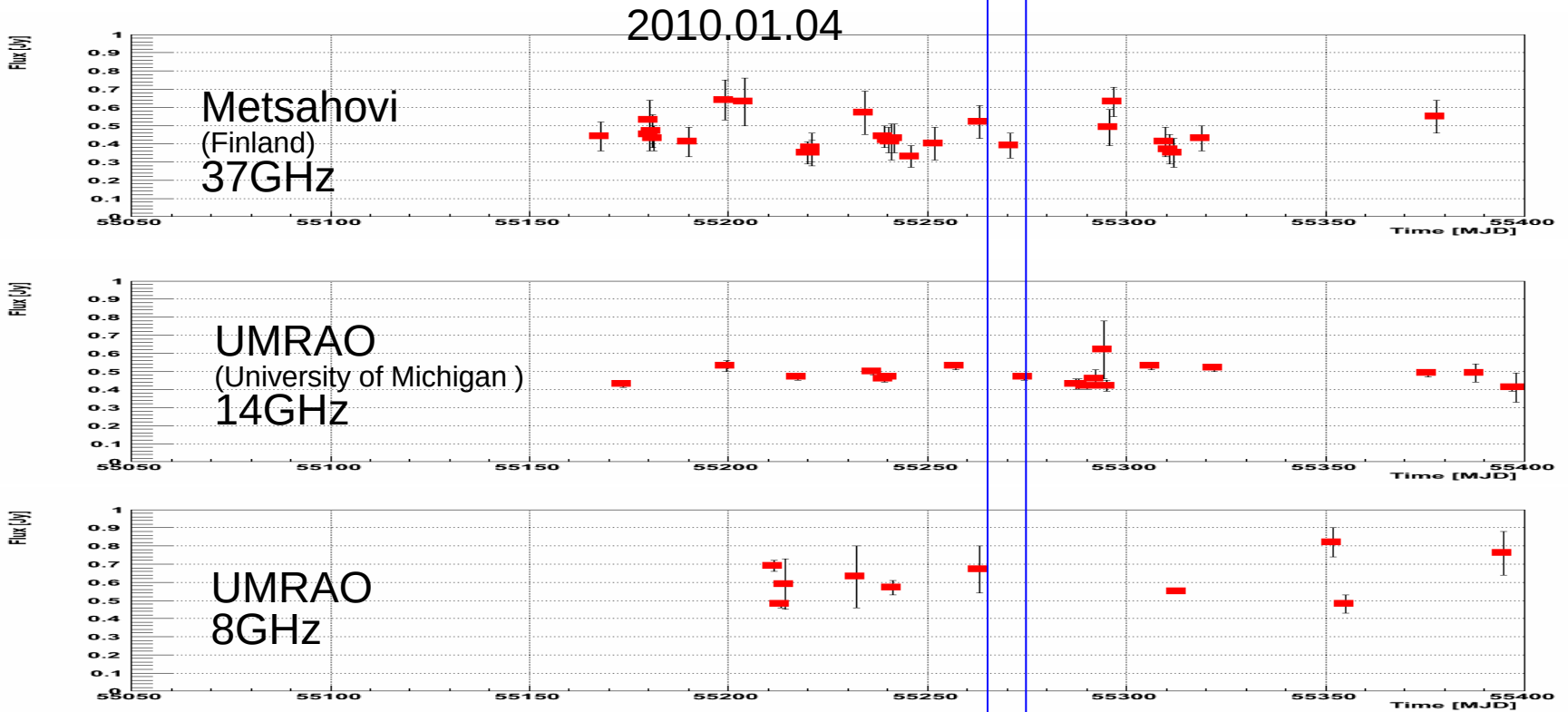
Mrk421 MW light curves: Optical polarization



Mrk421 MW light curves: Optical polarization



Mrk421 MW light curves: Radio



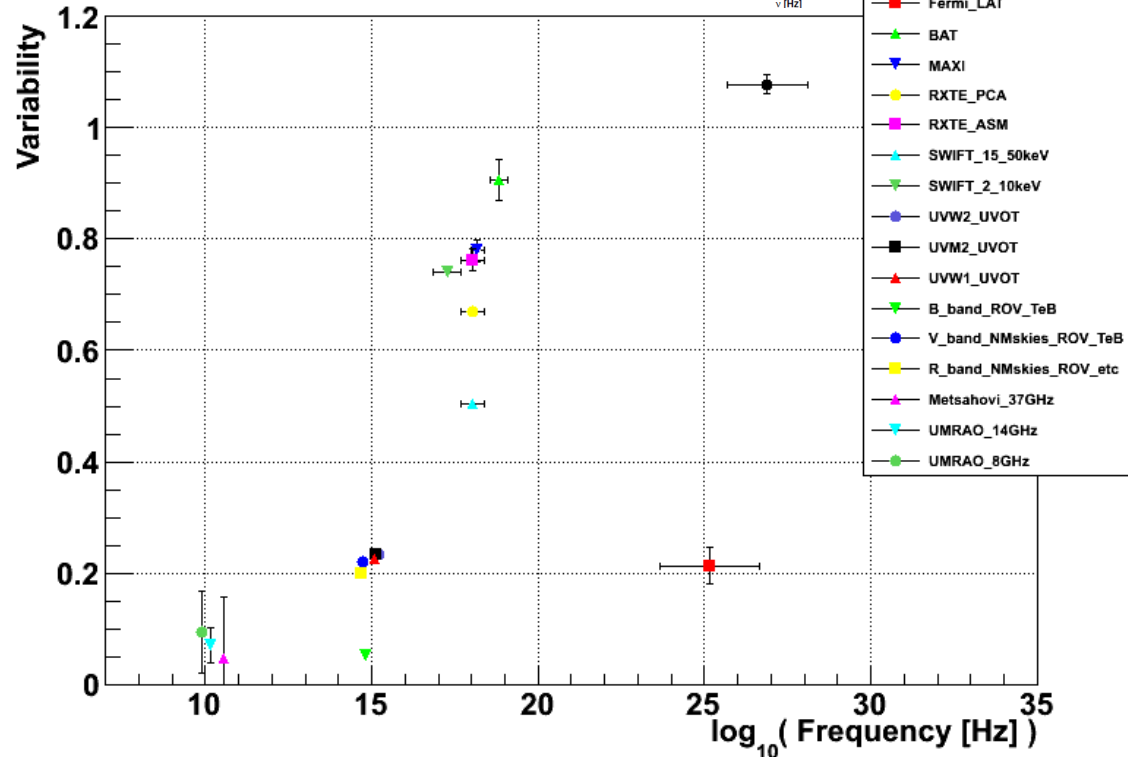
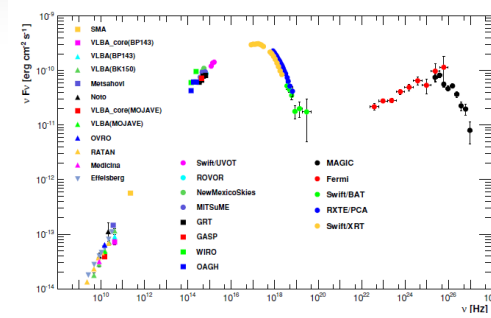
Mrk421 2010 MW Light Curve Variability

Variability: the quantity showing how much each light curve fluctuates

Variability

$$F_{\text{var}} = \sqrt{\frac{S_f^2 - \sigma_i^2}{\bar{f}^2}}$$

$$S_f^2 = \frac{\sum_i (f_i - \bar{f})^2}{N_f - 1}$$



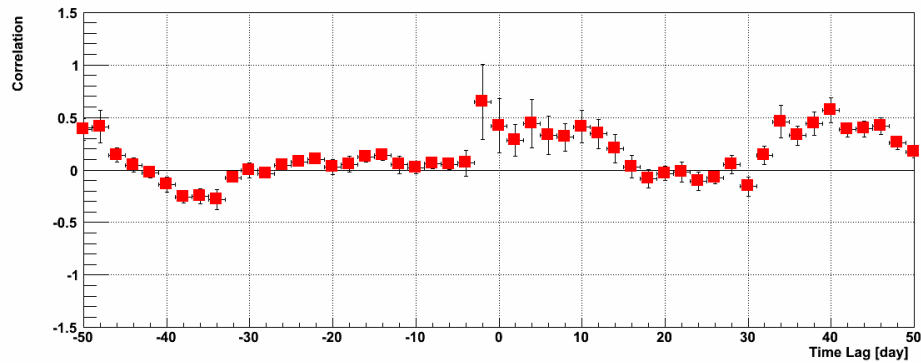
Time Correlations between Light Curves

Why to study time correlation

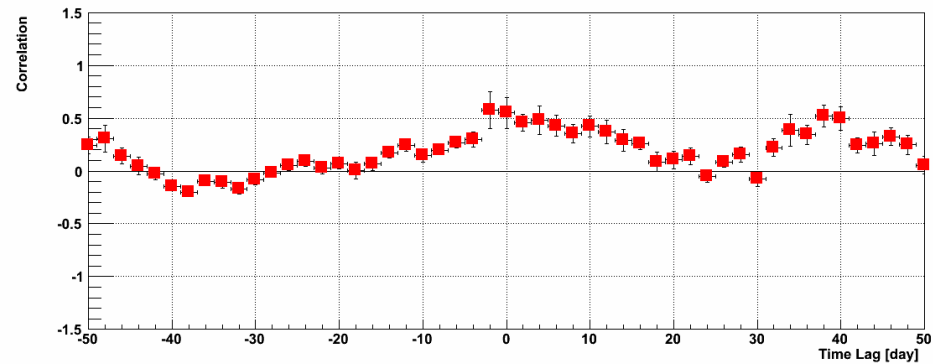
- Goal: to know which AGN structure or emission mechanism **the observed photons of different energy** correspond to
- Spatial resolution is bad=>different emission mechanisms are mixed
- We try to use time resolution to find how correlated each pair of energy bands
=>high correlated energy bands imply the same emission mechanism

Mrk421 2010 Correlation

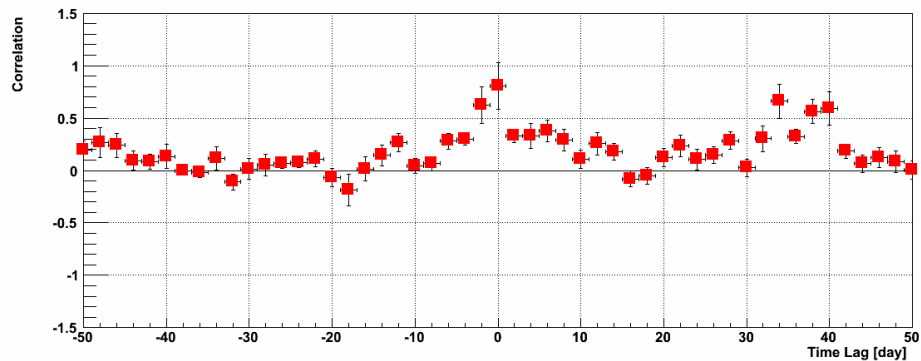
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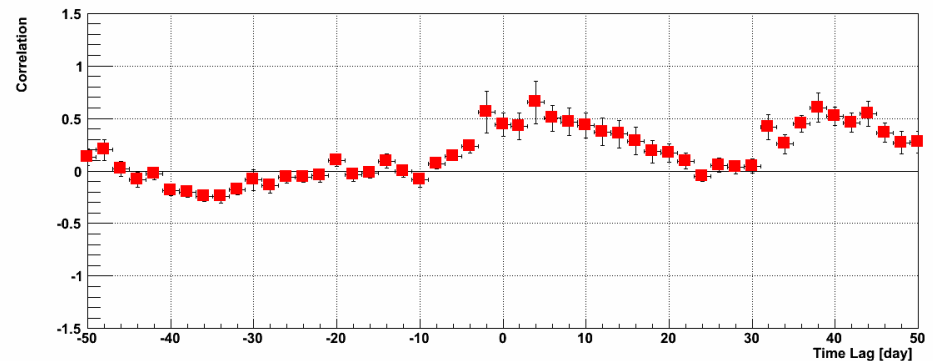
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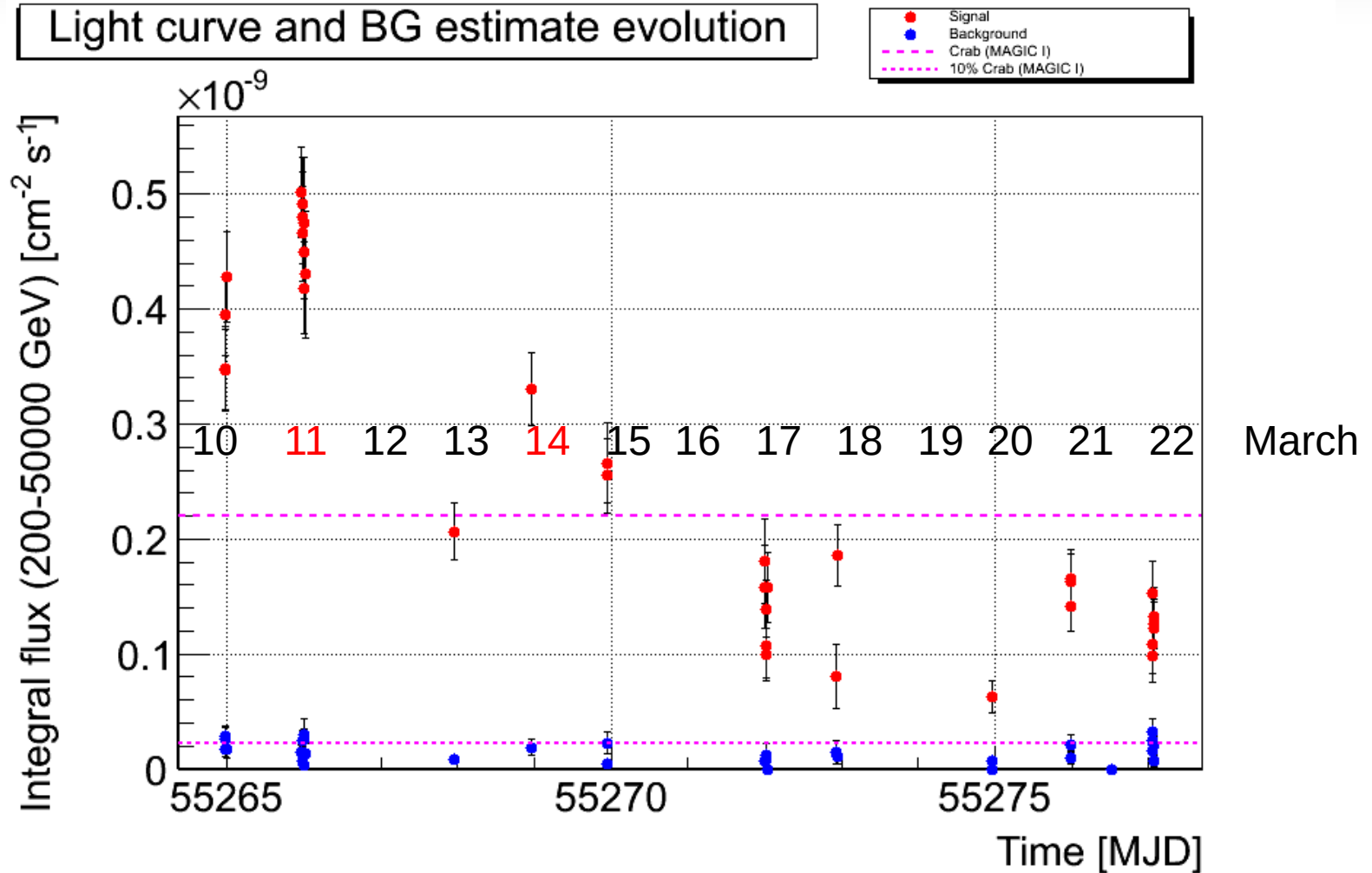


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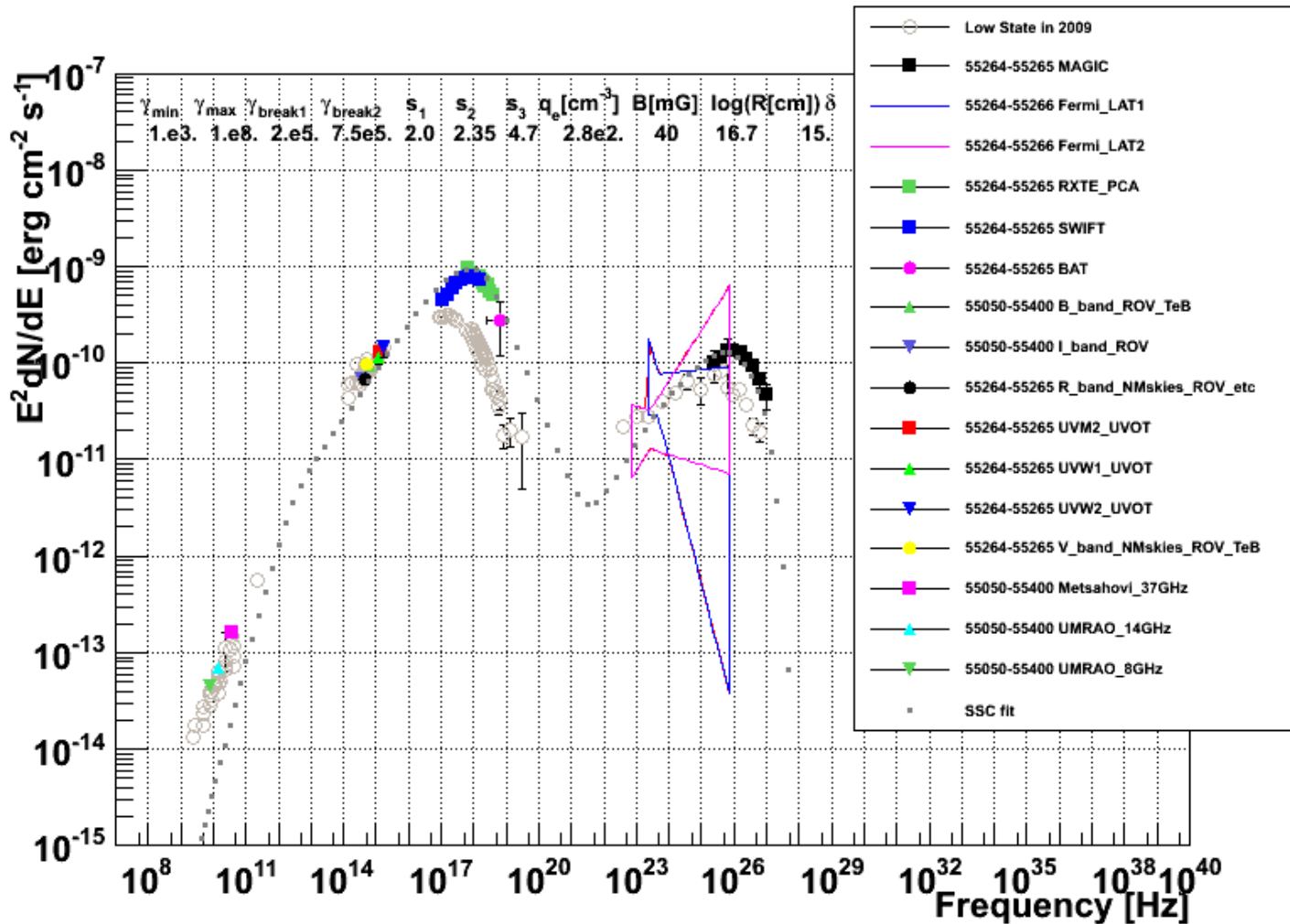


TeV emission are most correlated with Xray emission!

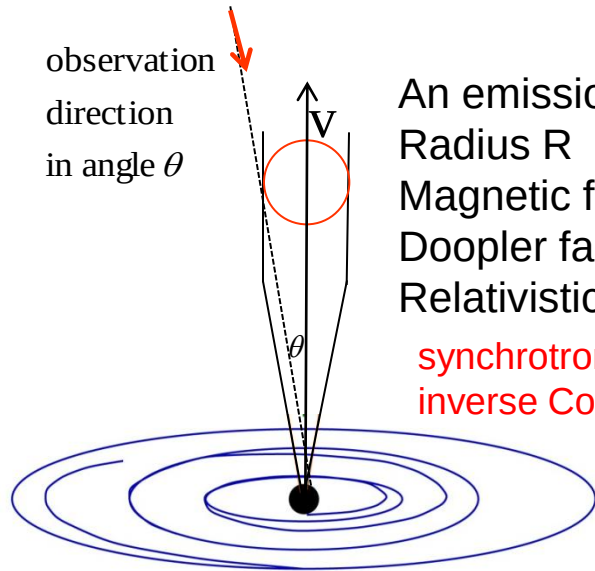
Mrk421 2010 March Light Curve



Mrk421 MW 2010_03_10



Describe Spectra with Synchrotron Self-Compton Model



An emission blob with:
Radius R
Magnetic field B
Doppler factor δ
Relativistic electrons

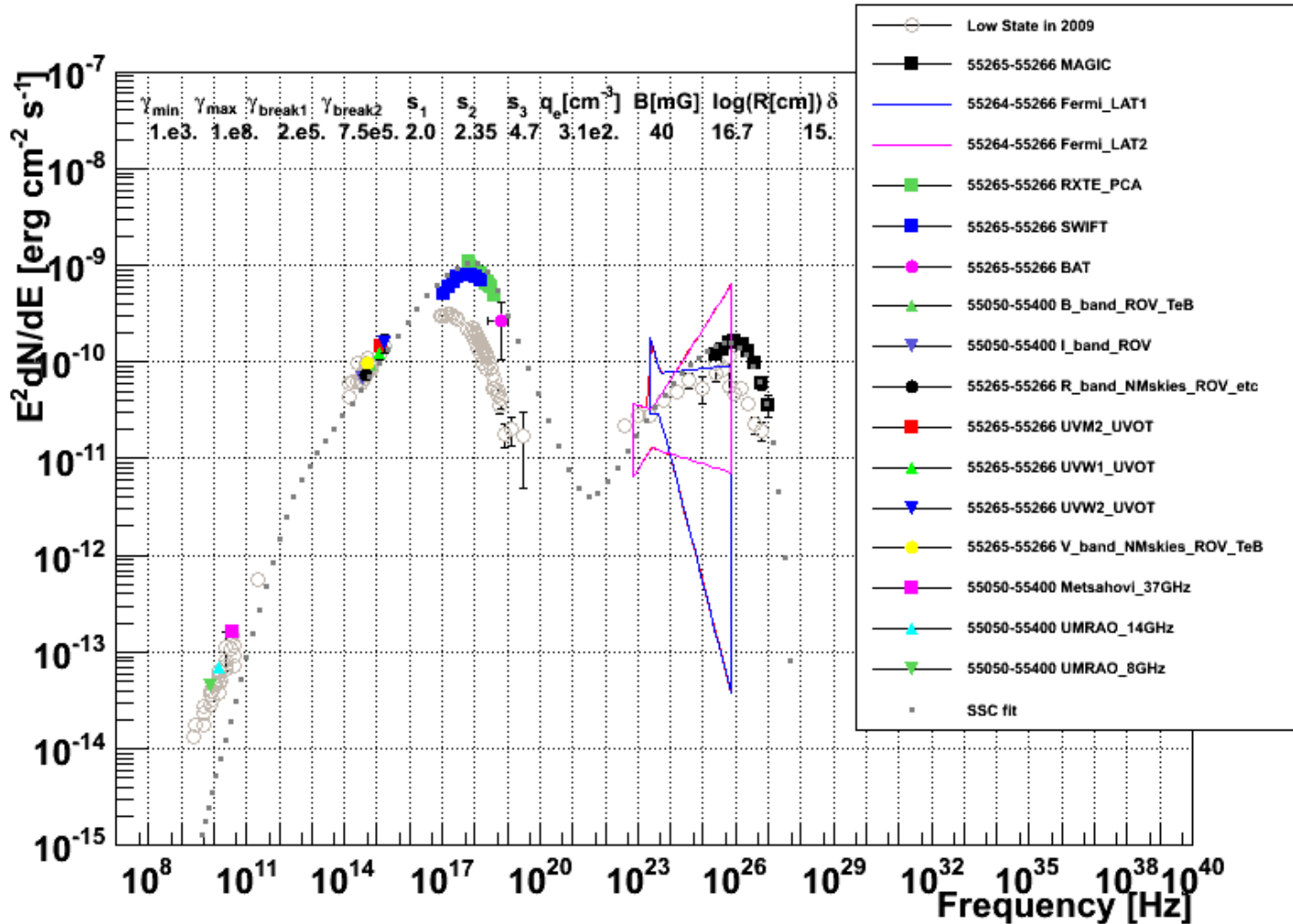
synchrotron radiation $\Rightarrow$ Xray,
inverse Compton process $\Rightarrow$ GammaRay

$$\beta = v/c, \quad \gamma = (1 - \beta^2)^{-1/2}, \quad \delta = \gamma^{-1}(1 - \beta \cos \theta)^{-1}$$

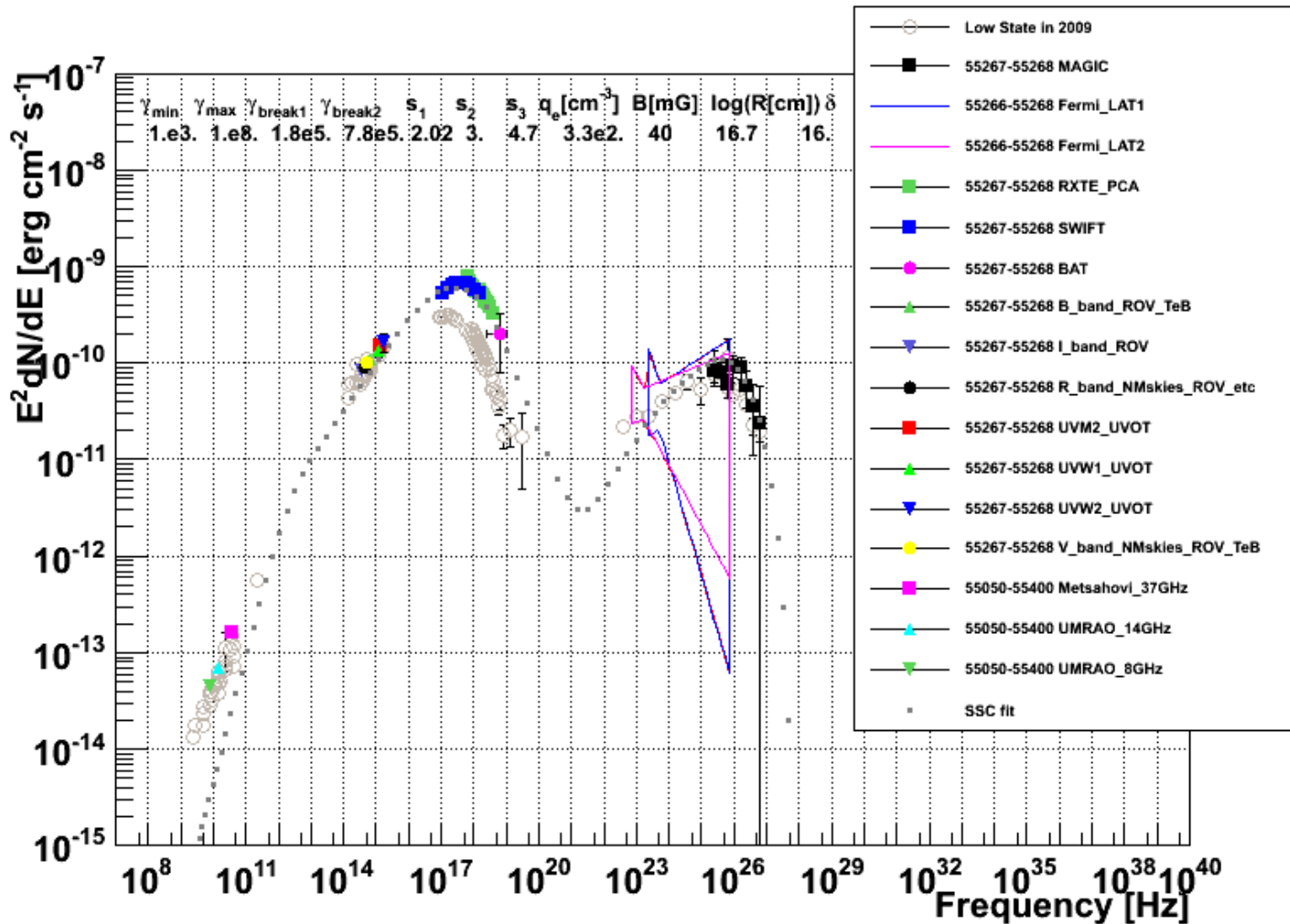
electron injection spectrum $(n_e, s_1, s_2, s_3, \gamma_{\min}, \gamma_{\text{break1}}, \gamma_{\text{break2}}, \gamma_{\max})$

$$\frac{dN}{d\gamma} = \begin{cases} (\text{for } \gamma_{\min} < \gamma < \gamma_{\text{break1}}) n_e \gamma^{-s_1} \\ (\text{for } \gamma_{\text{break1}} < \gamma < \gamma_{\text{break2}}) n_e \gamma^{-s_2} \gamma_{\text{break1}}^{s_2-s_1} \\ (\text{for } \gamma_{\text{break2}} < \gamma < \gamma_{\max}) n_e \gamma^{-s_3} \gamma_{\text{break2}}^{s_3-s_2} e^{-\gamma/\gamma_{\max}} e^{-\gamma_{\text{break2}}/\gamma_{\max}} \end{cases}$$

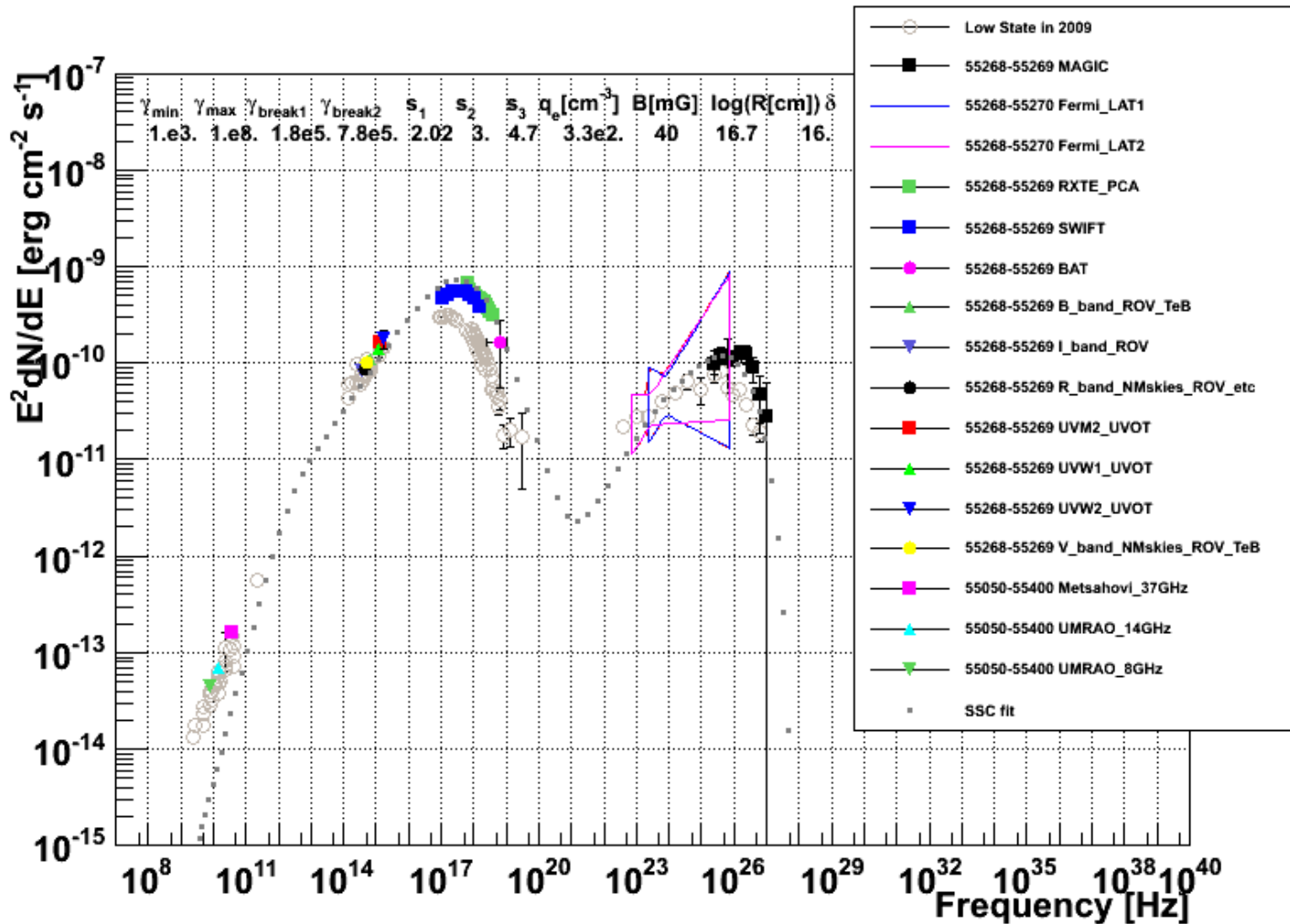
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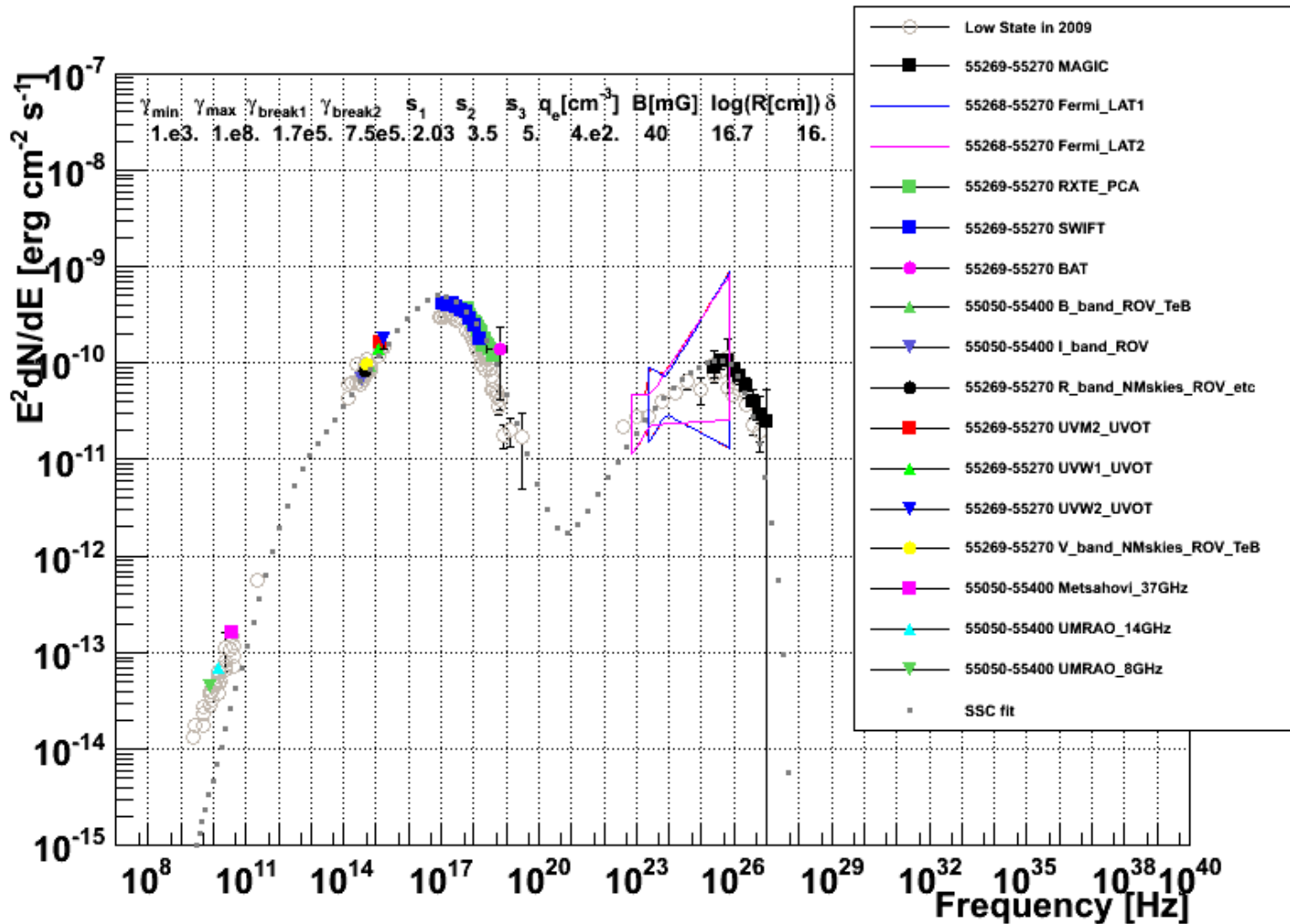
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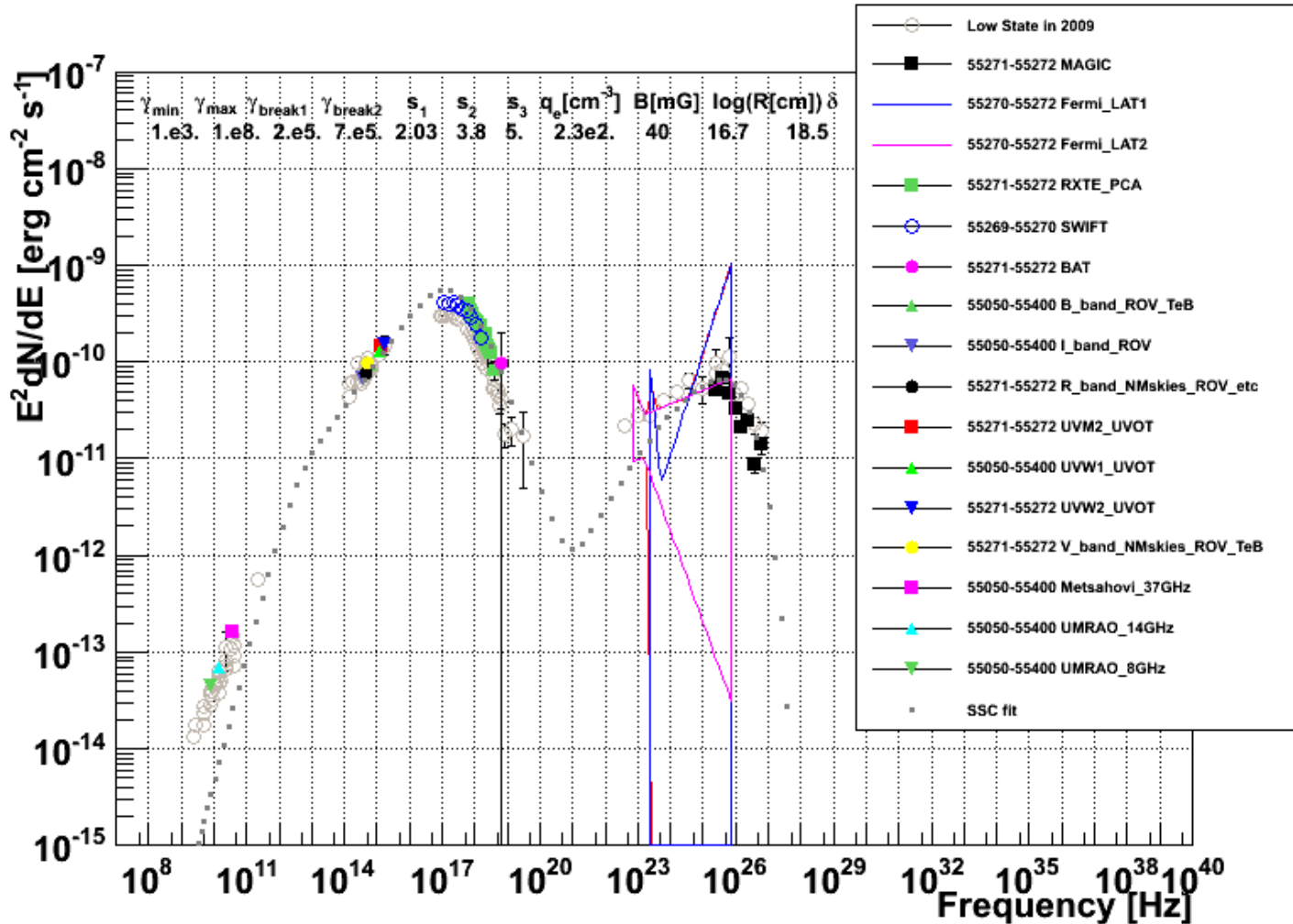
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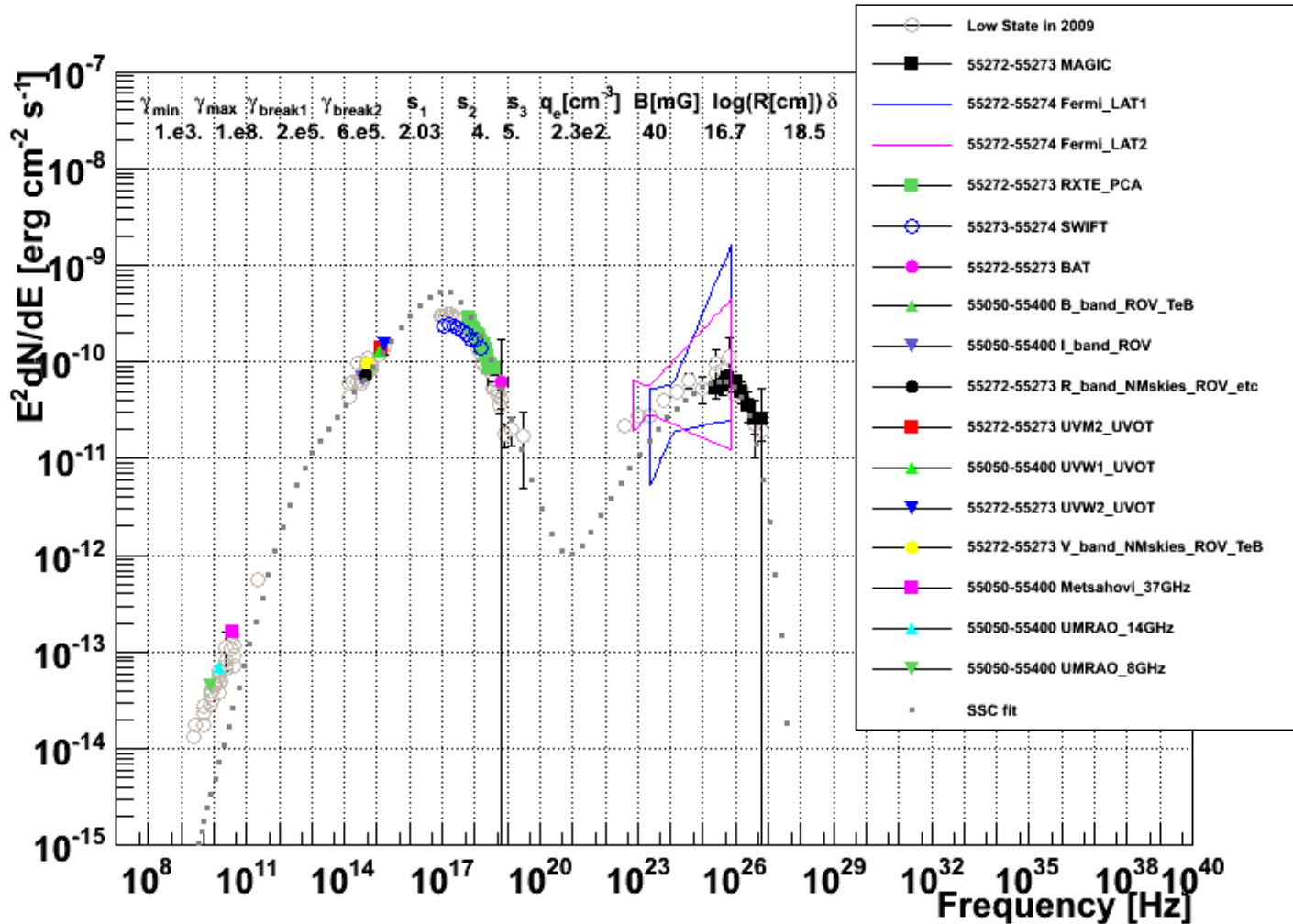
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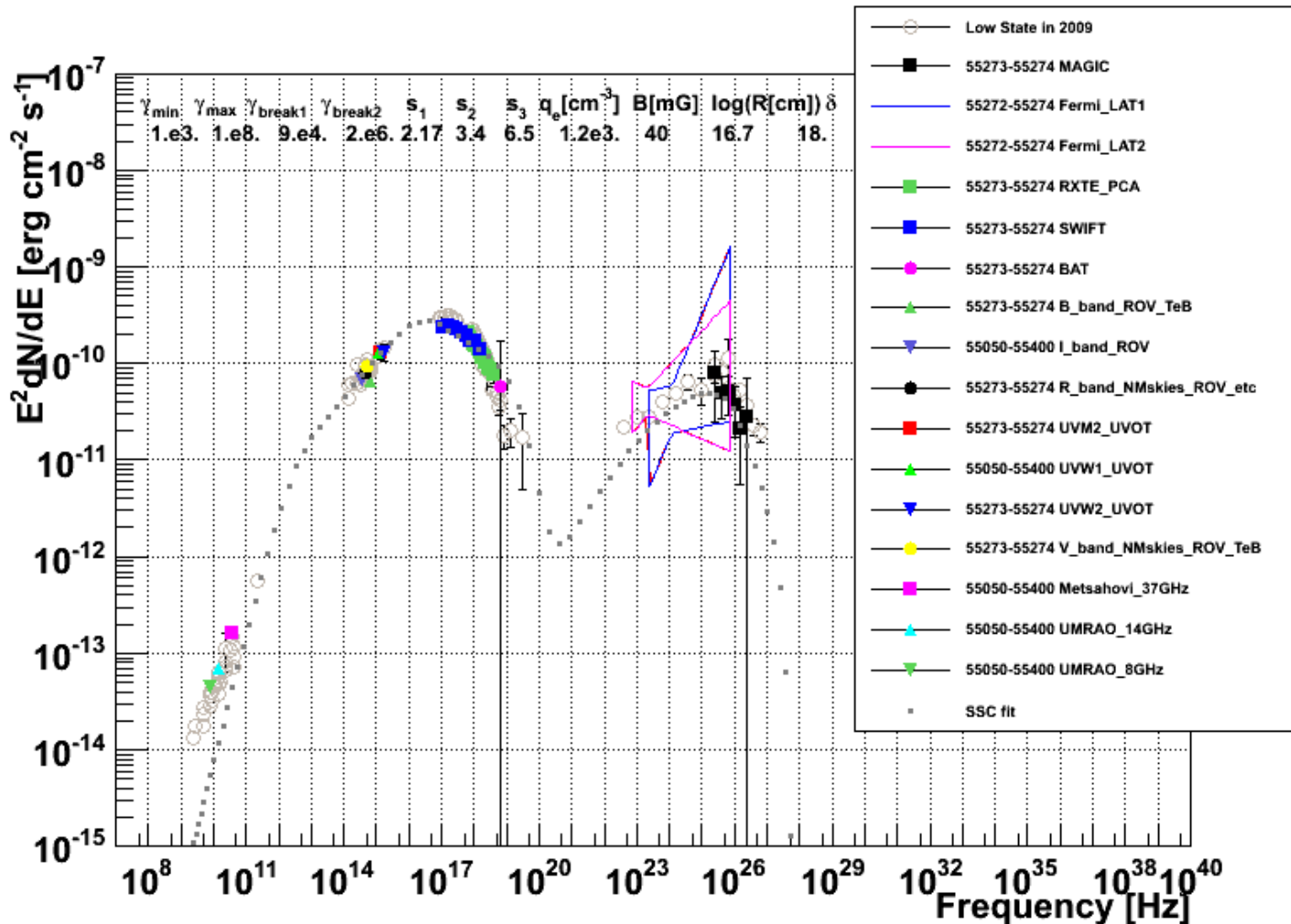
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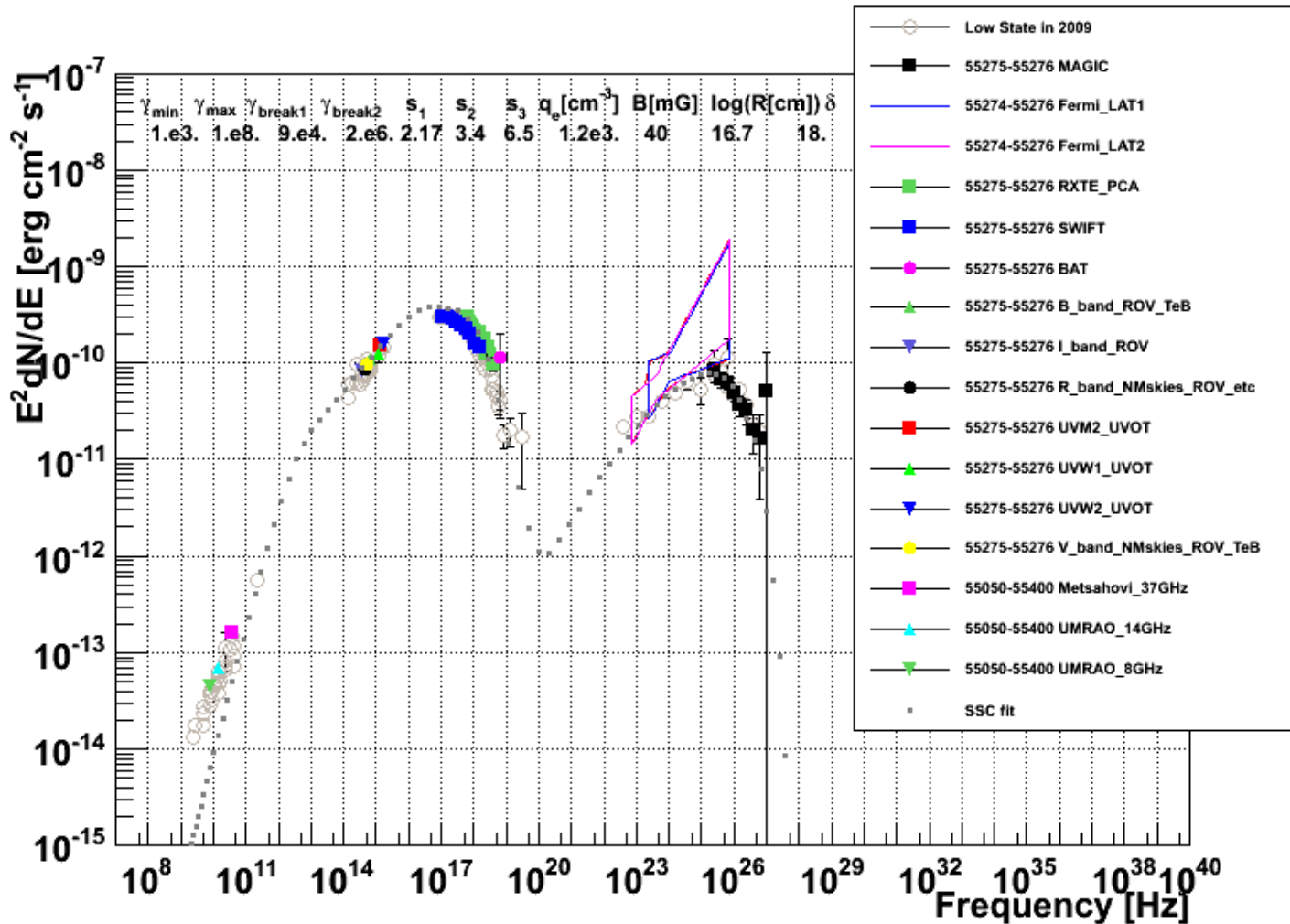
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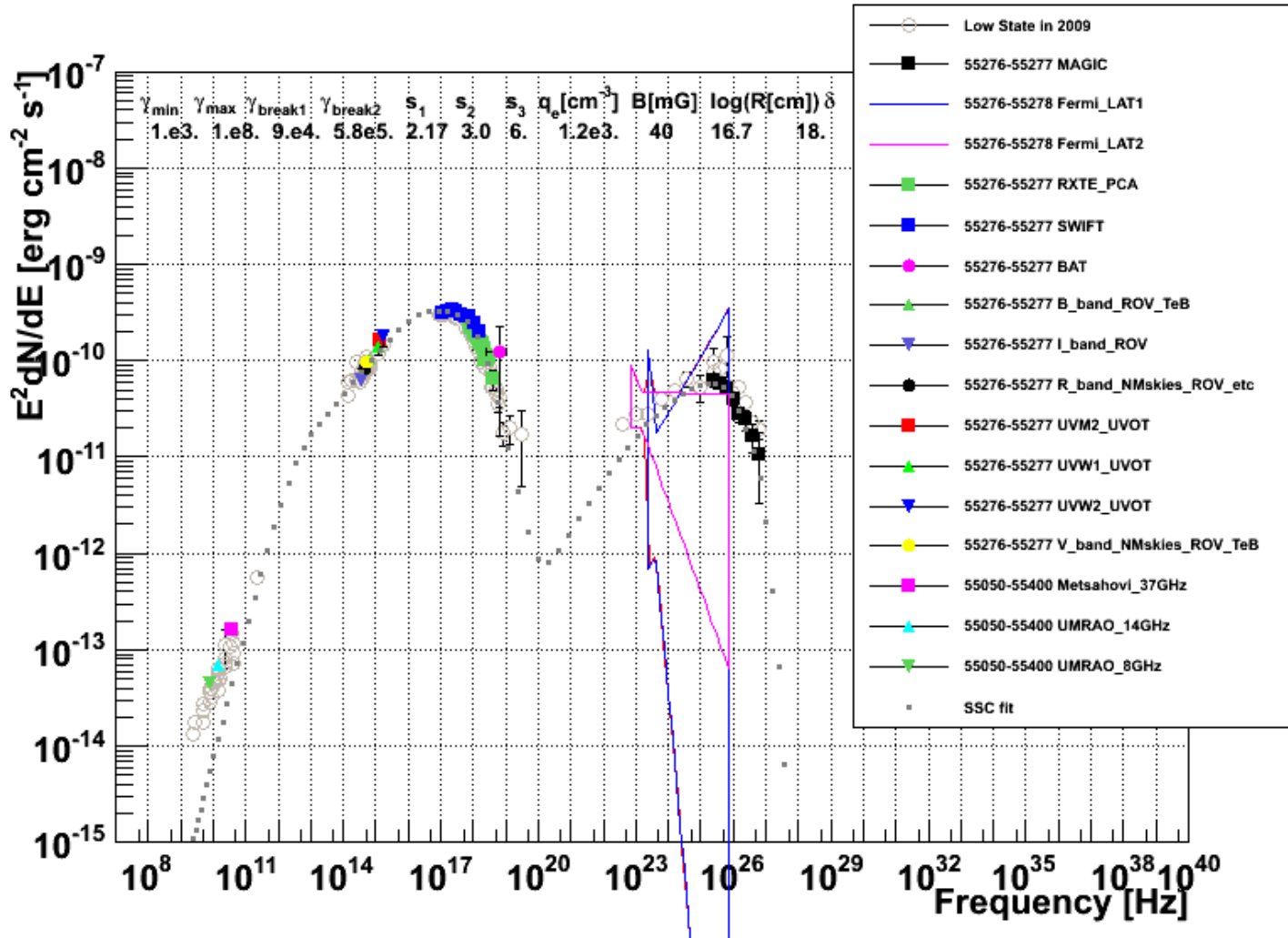
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Mrk421 MW 2010_03_21



Mrk421 MW 2010_03_22



Describe Spectra with Synchrotron Self-Compton Model

	$\gamma_{\min}$	$\gamma_{\max}$	γ_{break1}	γ_{break2}	S_1	S_2	S_3	$n_e [\text{cm}^{-3}]$	B[mG]	log(R[cm])	δ
03_10	1.e3.	1.e8.	2. e5.	7.5e5.	2.0	2.35	4.7	2.8e2.	40	16.7	15.
03_11	1.e3.	1.e8.	2. e5.	7.5e5.	2.0	2.35	4.7	3.1e2.	40	16.7	15.
03_13	1.e3.	1.e8.	1.8e5.	7.8e5.	2.02	3.	4.7	3.3e2.	40	16.7	16.
03_14	1.e3.	1.e8.	2.2e5.	8. e5.	2.02	3.	5.	3.3e2.	40	16.7	16.
03_15	1.e3.	1.e8.	1.7e5.	7.5e5.	2.03	3.5	5.	4. e2.	40	16.7	16.
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03_20	1.e3.	1.e8.	9. e4.	5.8e5.	2.17	3.1	6.	1.2e3.	40	16.7	18.
03_21	1.e3.	1.e8.	9. e4.	5.8e5.	2.17	3.0	6.	1.4e3.	40	16.7	18.
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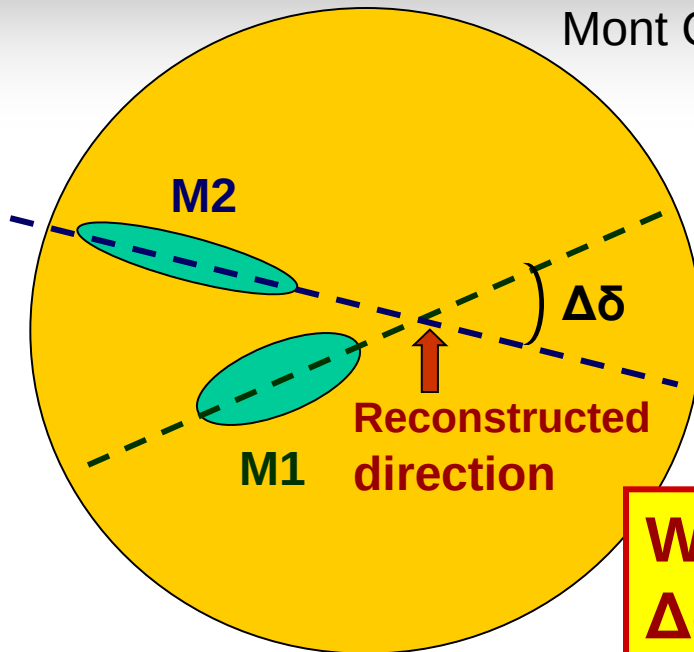
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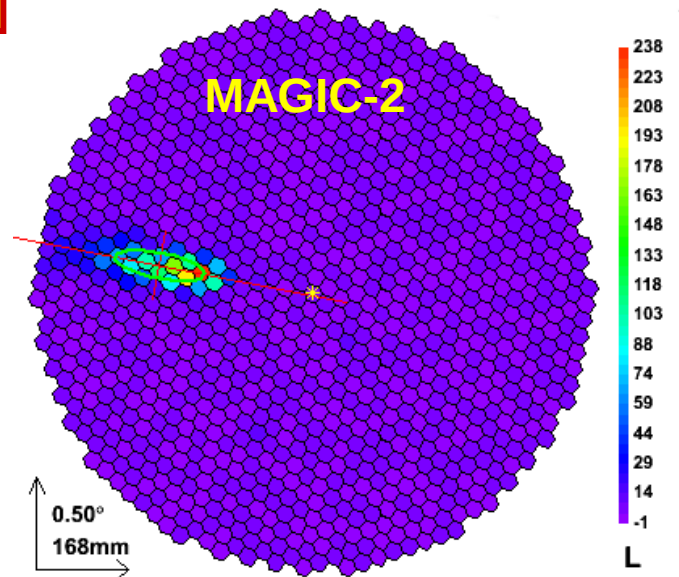
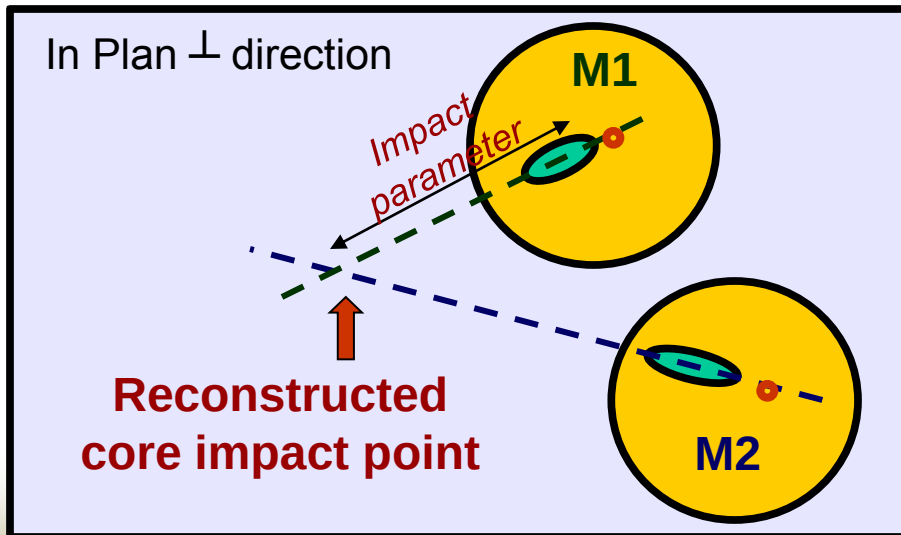
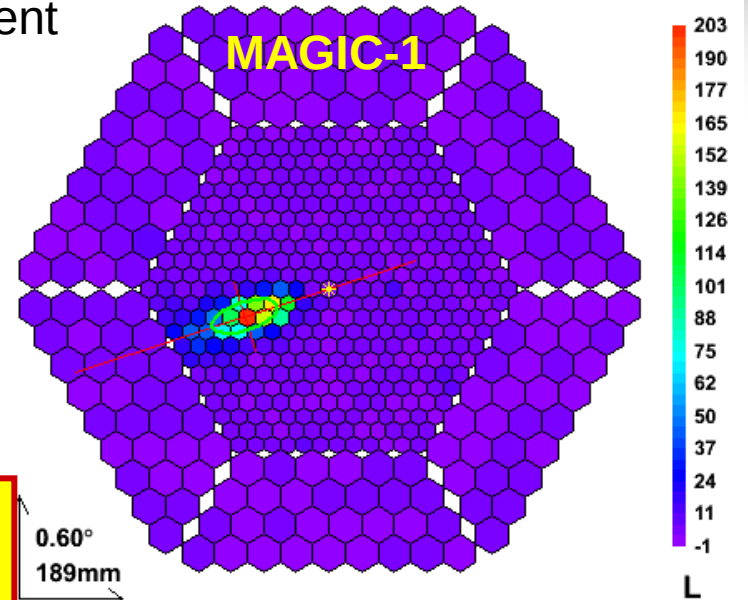
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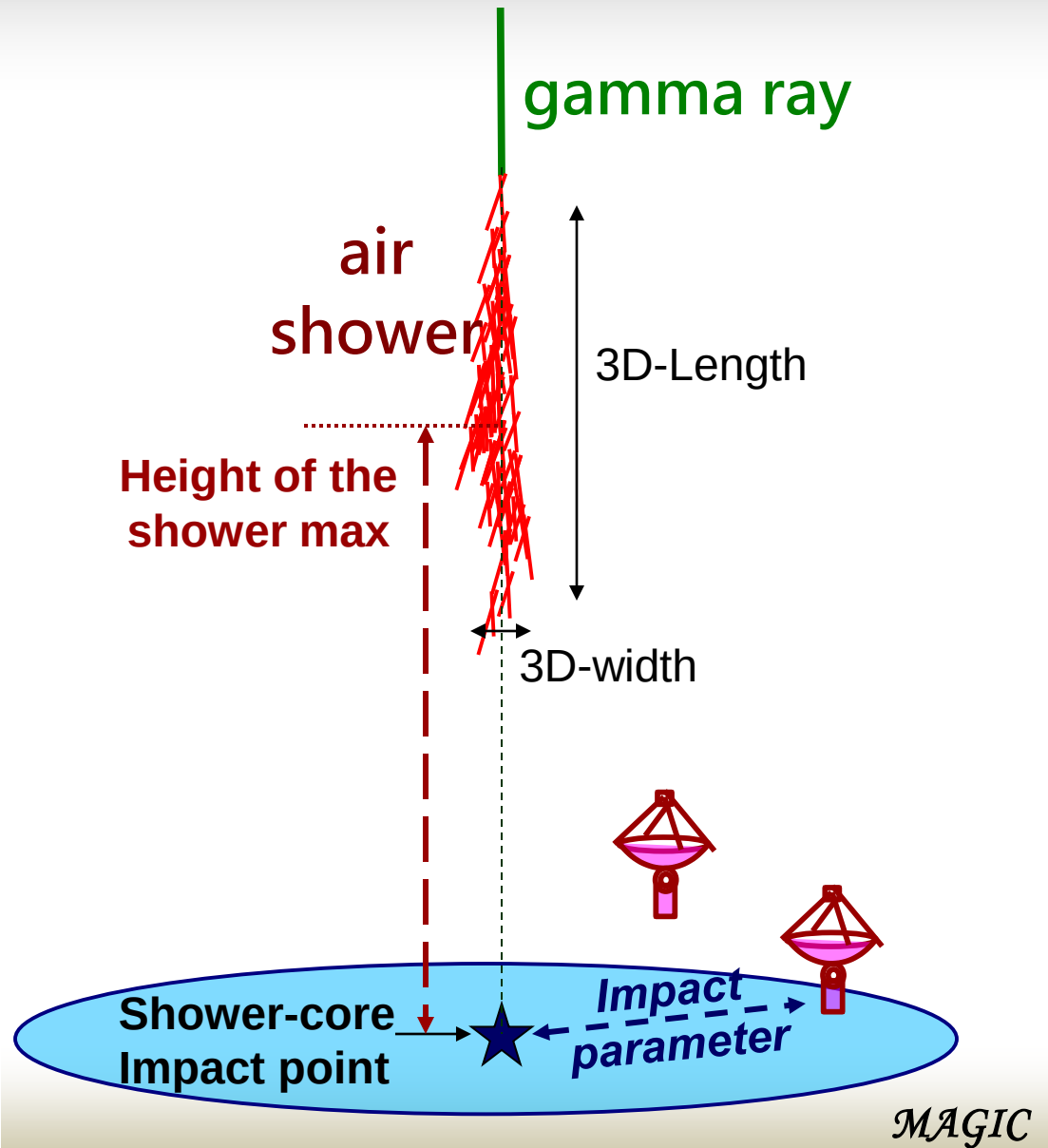
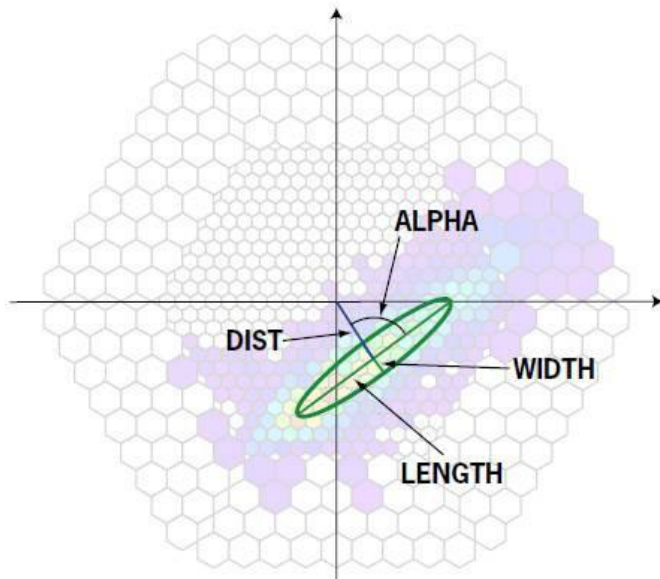
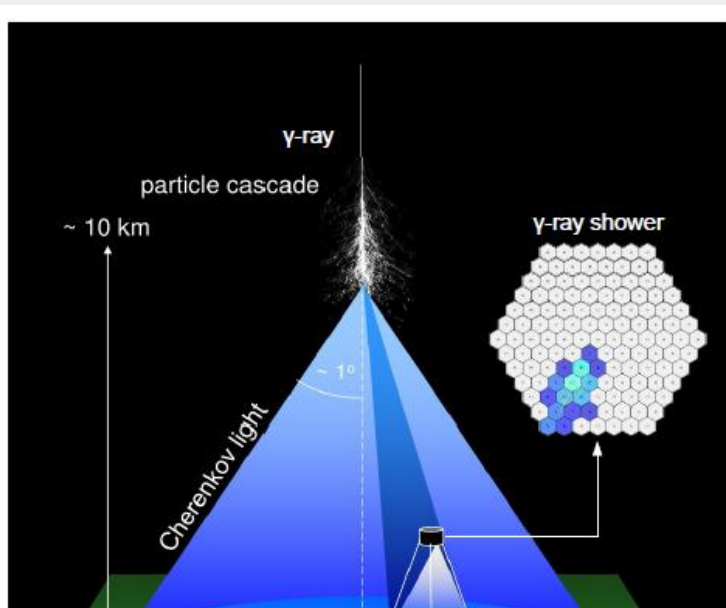
Mont Carlo independent



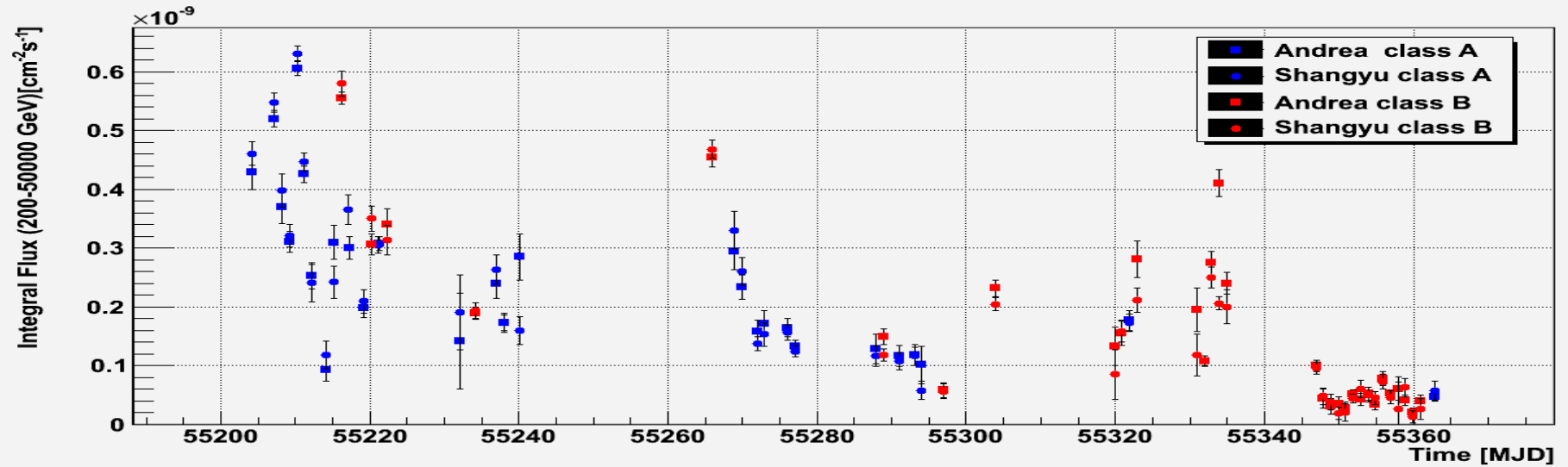
Work well if
 $\Delta\delta \geq 30 \text{ deg}$



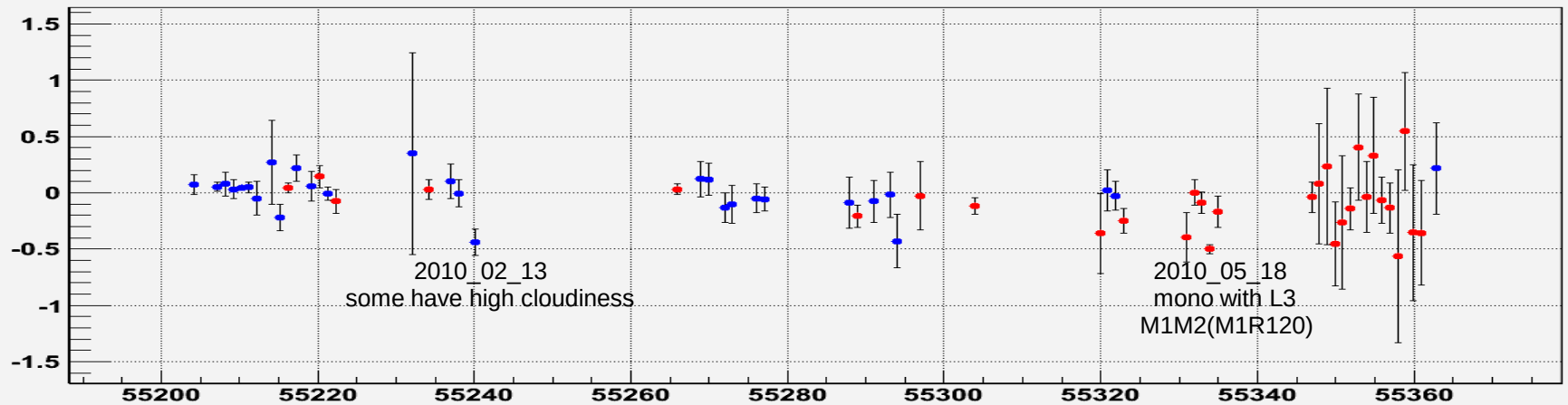
4th step: 3D Parameters



Cross check of light curve



$F_1/F_0 - 1$



Outlook on Mrk421 2010 MW data analysis

Past MW campaigns

Mrk421 (Jan19th, 2009-Jun1st, 2009: 4.5 months)

Mrk421 (Dec8, 2009-Jun20, 2010: 6 months)

Mrk421 (Dec1, 2010-Jun15, 2011: 6 months)

More than 25 instruments participate
covering frequencies from radio to TeV

Radio: VLBA, OVRO, Effelsberg, Metsahovi...
mm: SMA, IRAM-PV

Infrared: WIRO, OAGH

Optical: GASP, GRT, MITSuMe, Kanata...

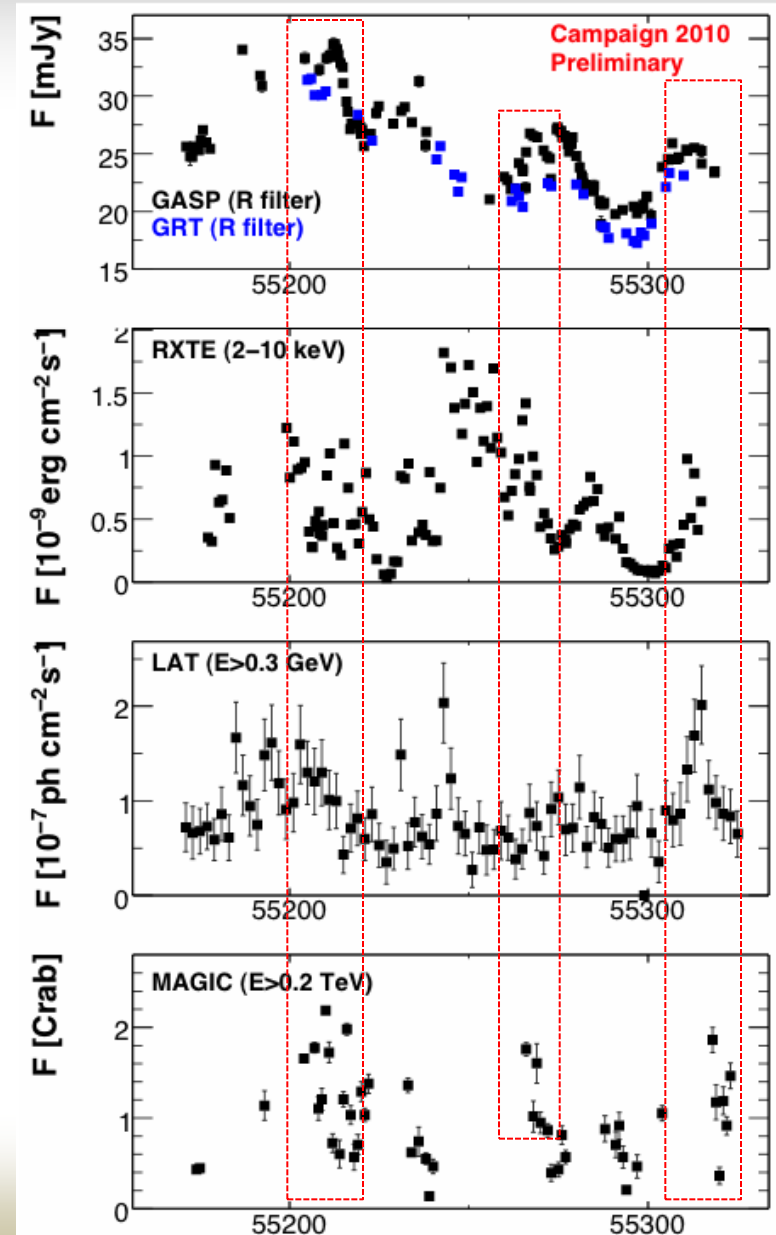
UV: Swift-UVOT

X-ray: Swift-XRT, RXTE-PCA, Swift_BAT

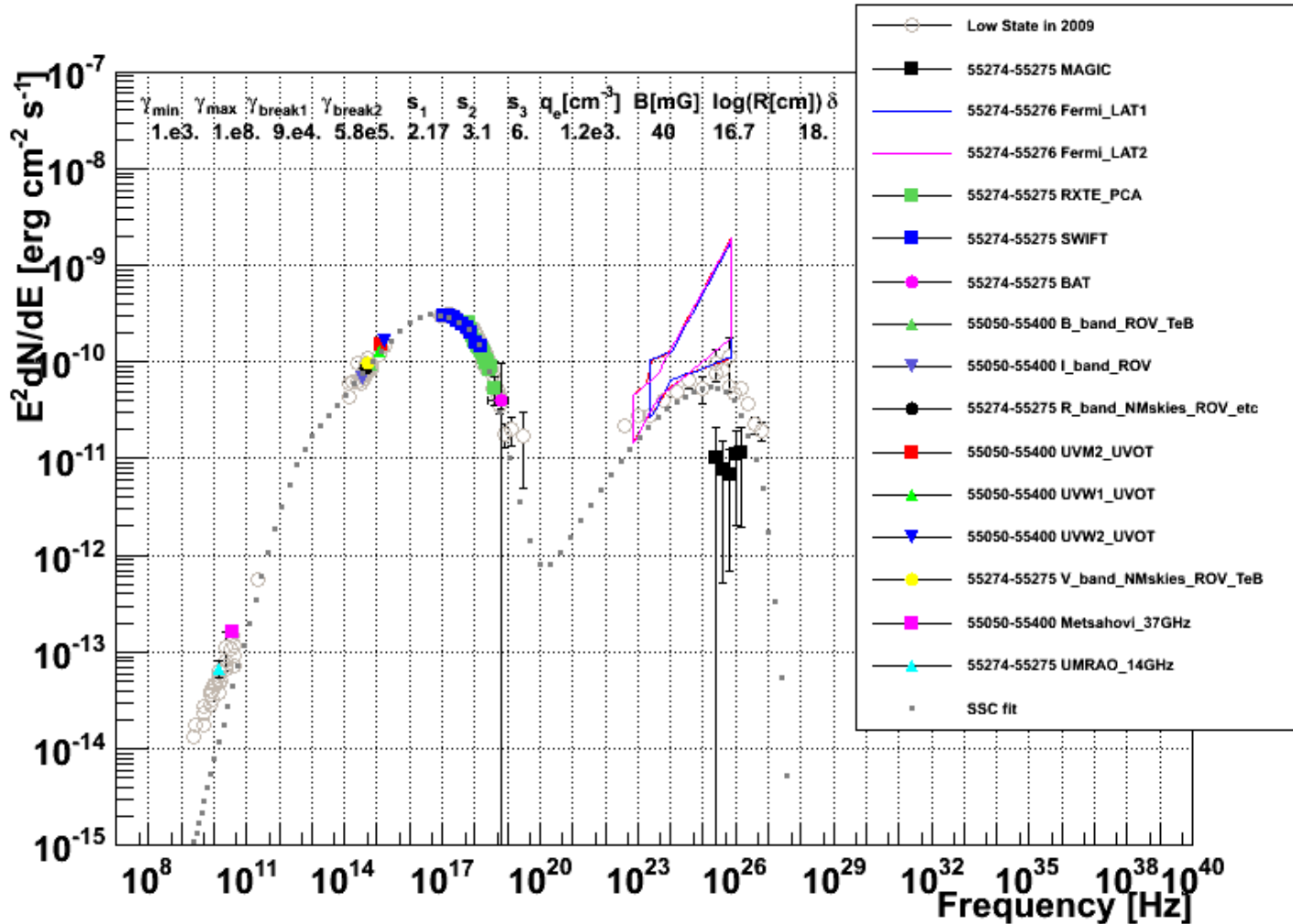
Gamma-ray: Fermi-LAT

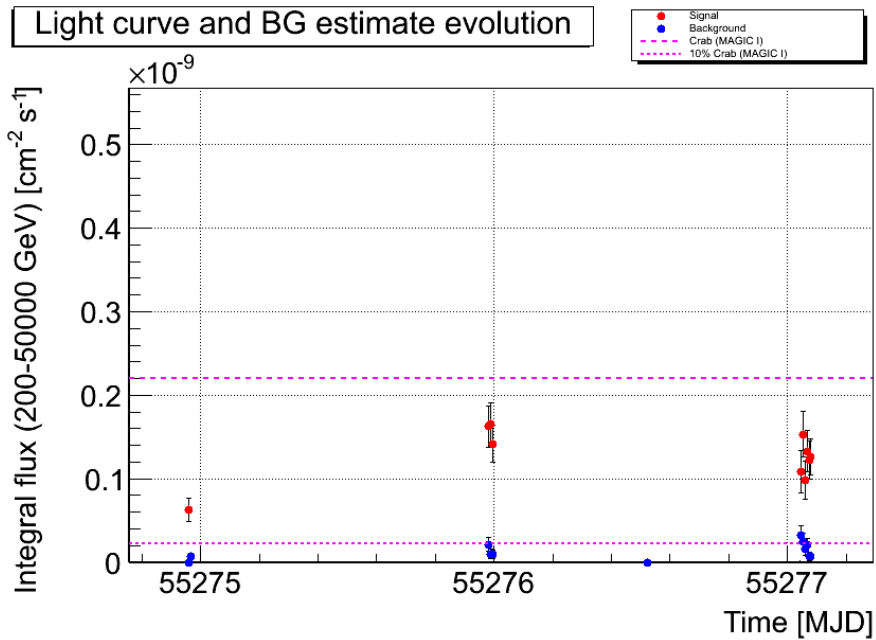
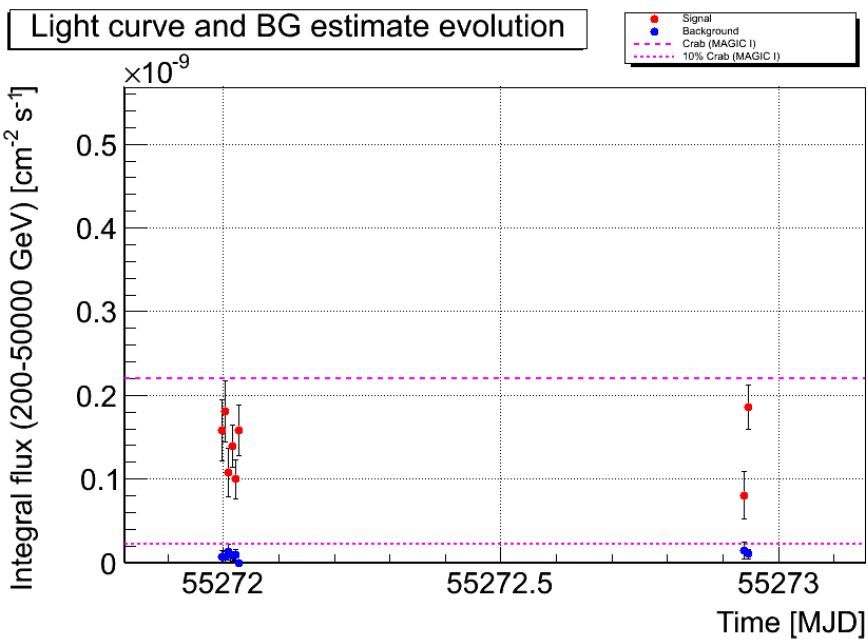
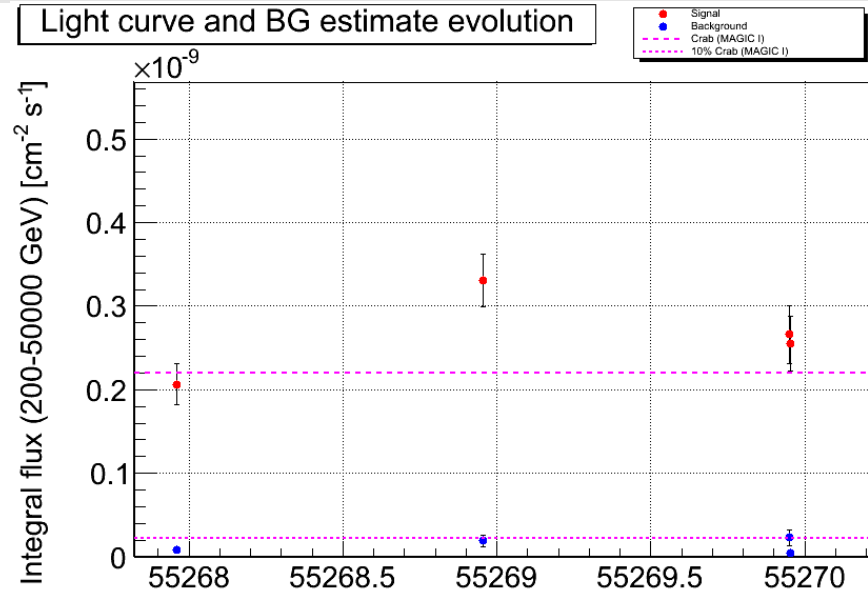
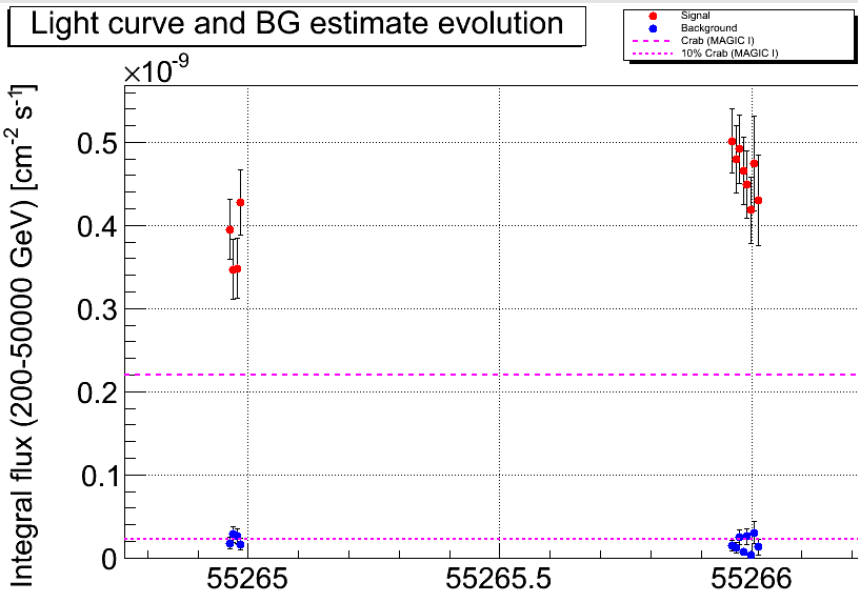
VHE: MAGIC, VERITAS, Whipple

*Different flavors of flaring activity
will be studied!*

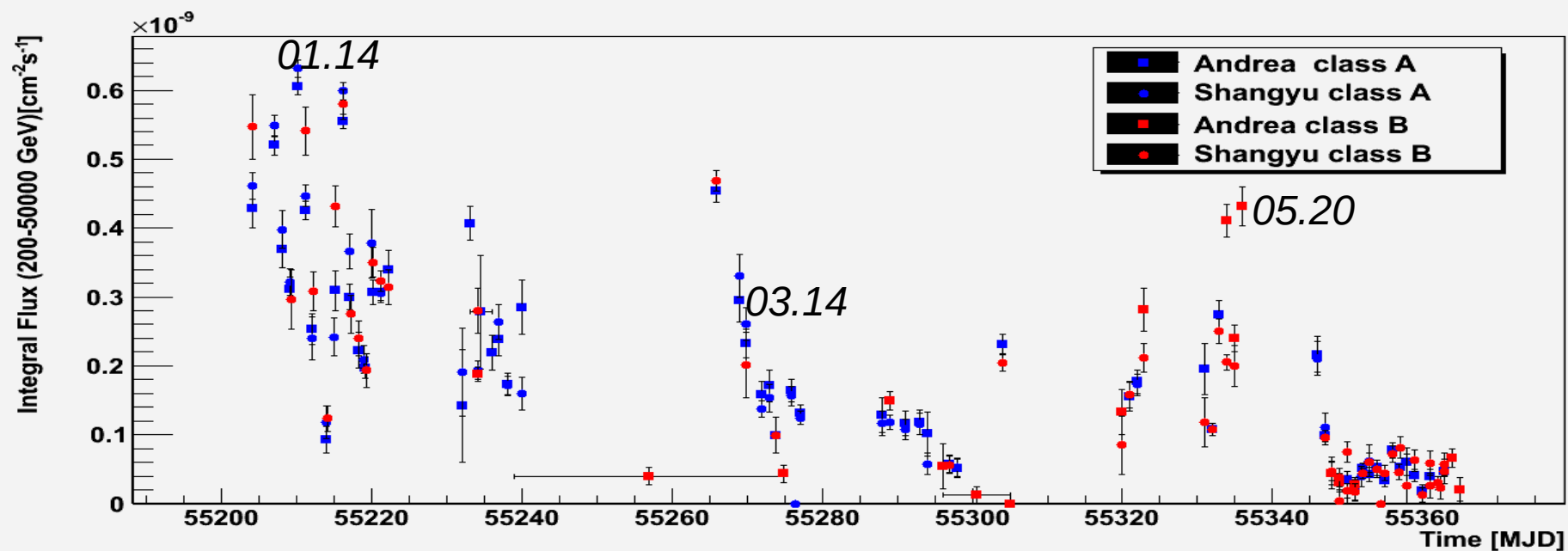


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Mrk421 2010.01-06 light curve

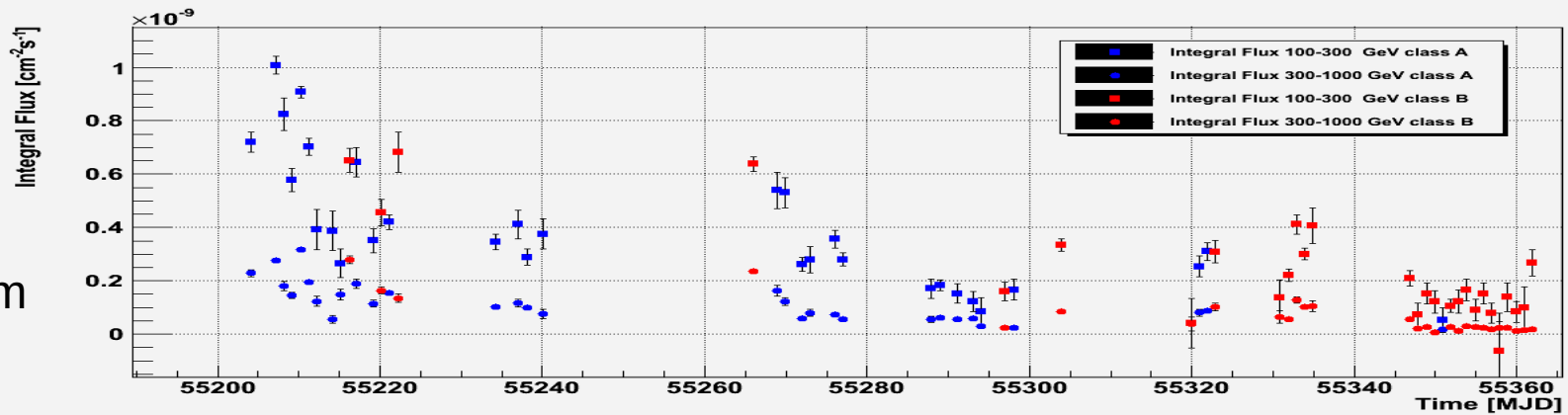


Light curve in 3 energy bands:

low energy 100-300 GeV
 medium energy 300-1000 GeV
 high energy >1TeV

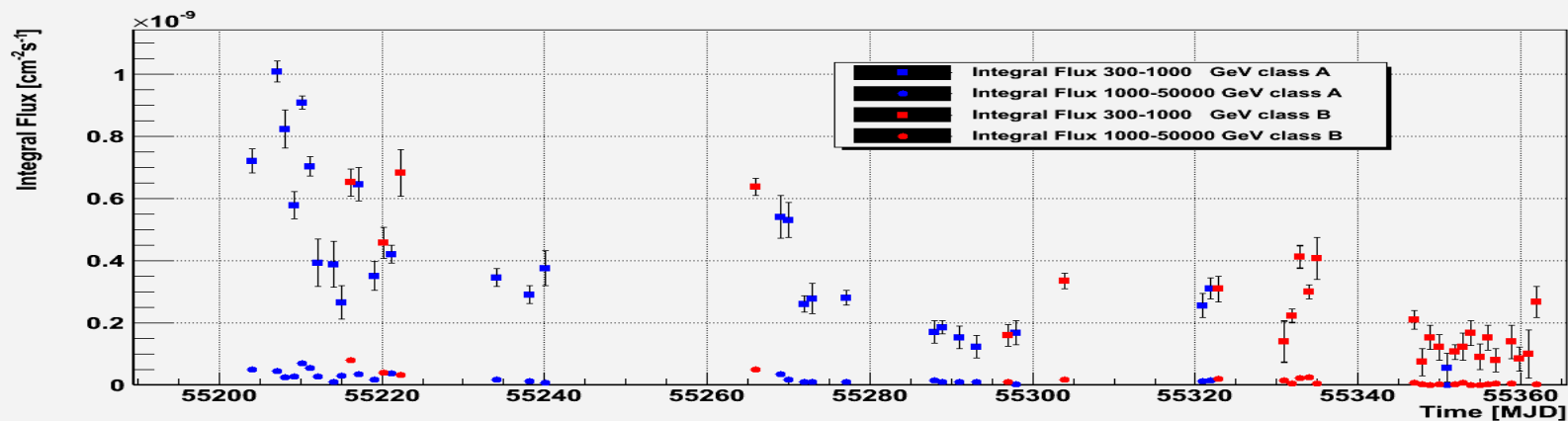
low

medium

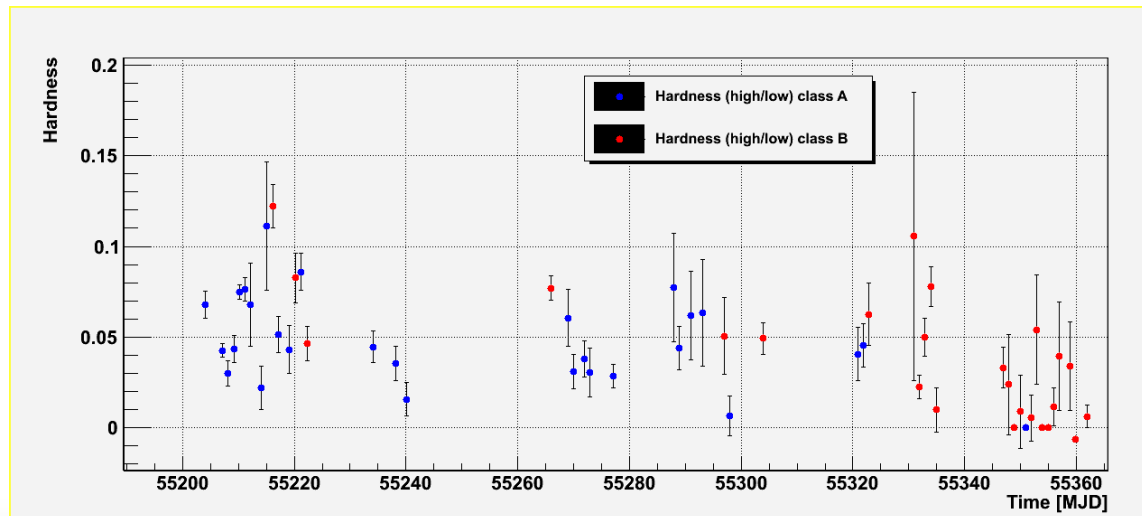
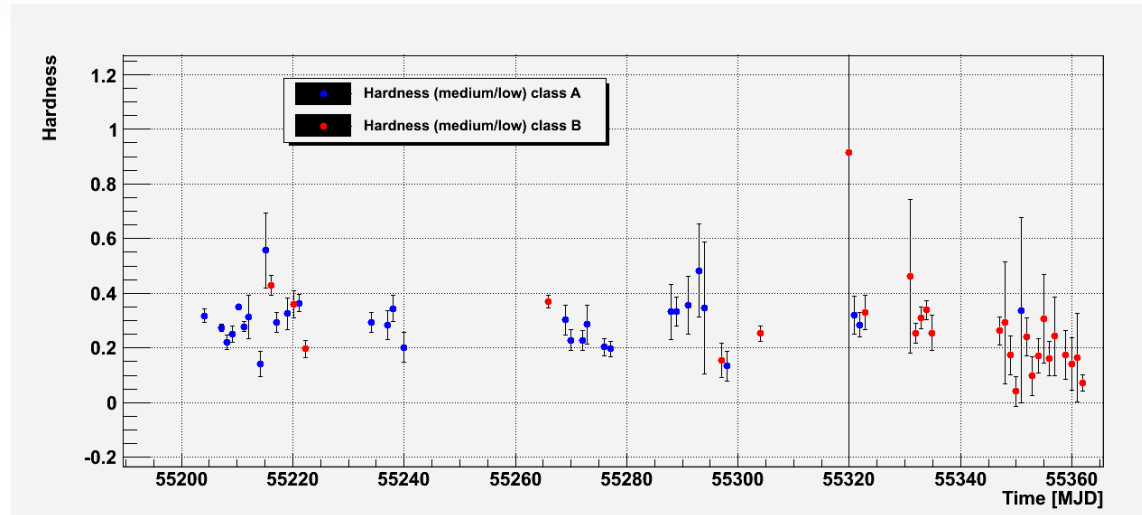


low

high



Hardness variation over time



- ❑ The GLAST-AGILE Support Program (GASP) was organized within the Whole Earth Blazar Telescope to provide optical-to-radio long-term continuous monitoring of a list of selected gamma-ray-loud blazars during the operation of the [AGILE](#) and [GLAST](#) satellites.
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Time Correlation between 2 Lightcurves

$$UDCF_{ij} = \frac{(a_i - \bar{a})(b_j - \bar{b})}{\sqrt{(\sigma_a^2 - \overline{err_a^2})(\sigma_b^2 - \overline{err_b^2})}}$$

Discrete Correlation Function

$$DCF(\tau) = \frac{1}{M} \sum UDCF_{ij}$$

$$\tau - \Delta\tau/2 < \Delta t_{ij} = t_j^a - t_i^b < \tau + \Delta\tau/2$$

Lag

$$\tau = 2 \text{ days}$$

$$\Delta\tau = 2 \text{ days}$$

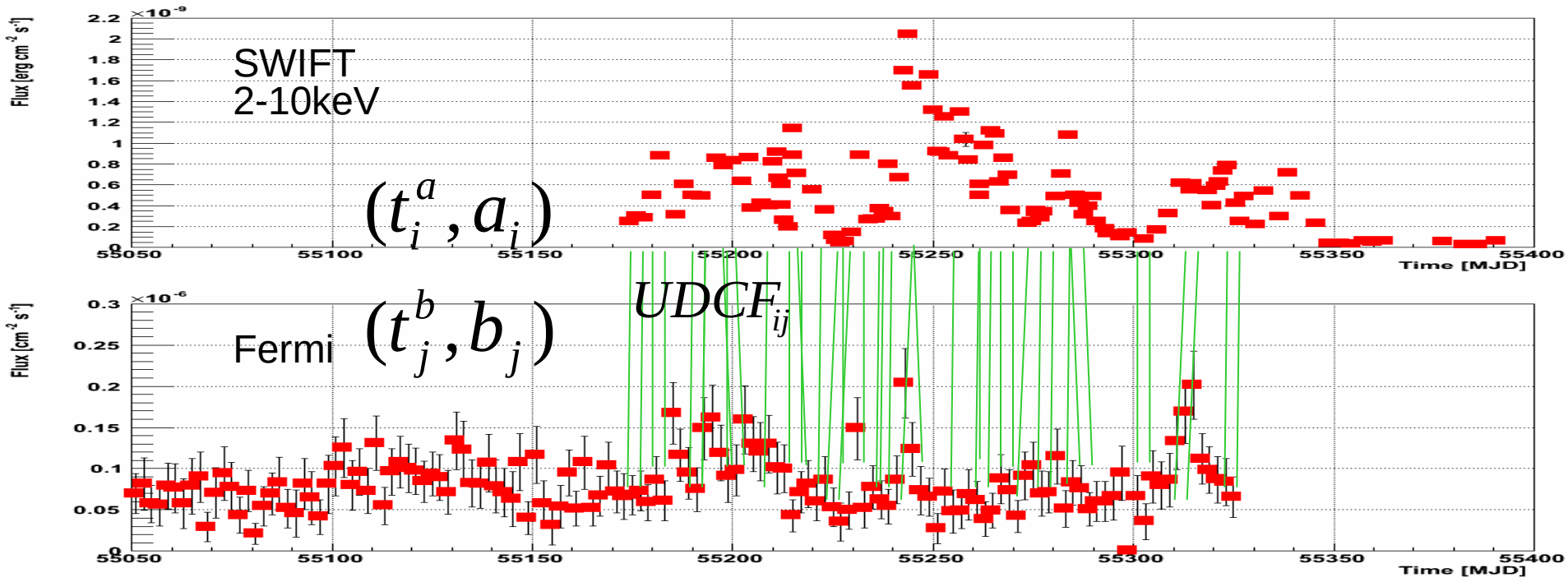
$$-1 \text{ day} < \Delta t_{ij} = t_j^a - t_i^b < +1 \text{ day}$$

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IACT Installations: the Key Players

Credits from R. Wagner

VERITAS

MAGIC

H.E.S.S.

MAGIC

Number of telescopes 4

2

Field of view 5°

3.5°

Reflector diameter 12 m

17 m (the largest IACT)

Working Energy Range >160 GeV

>50 GeV

- Located @ Roque de Los Muchachos (La Palma, Canary Islands, Spain) 2200 m a.s.l.
- MAGIC-I since 2004
- MAGIC-II since 2009
- Sensitivity 0.8% Crab (for $E > 260 \text{ GeV}$, 50hr)
- Energy resolution 20% at 100 GeV, 15% at 1 TeV
- Angular resolution $\sim 0.07^\circ$ at 1 TeV
- Light weight carbon fiber structure -> Fast repositioning (GRB)
- sum trigger mode can lower energy threshold to 25 GeV (pulsar)
- Enhanced duty cycle due to moonlight & twilight observations

H.E.S.S.

CANGAROO

Time Correlation between 2 Light Curves

Why to study time correlation

- Goal: to know which AGN structure or emission mechanism the observed photons of different energy correspond to
- Spatial resolution is bad=>different emission mechanisms are mixed
- We try to use time resolution to correlate several bands of light curves together =>implies that these bands correspond to the same emission mechanism

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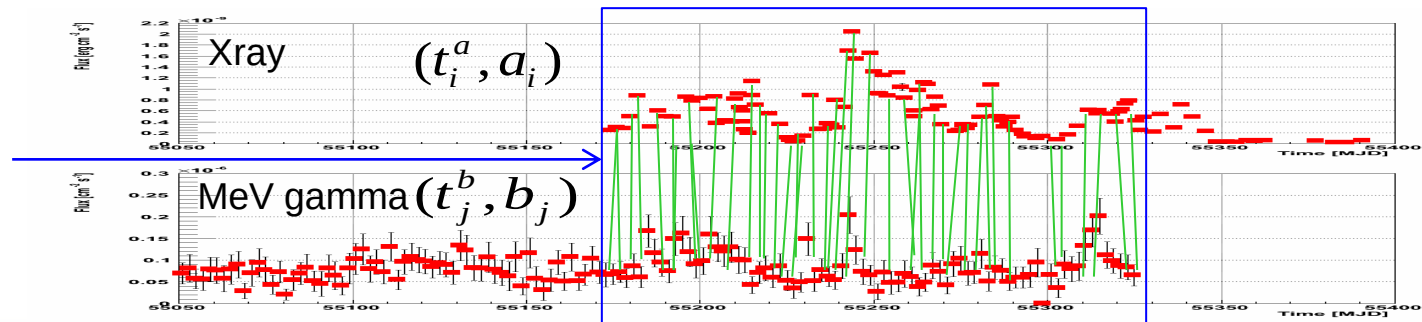
One example:

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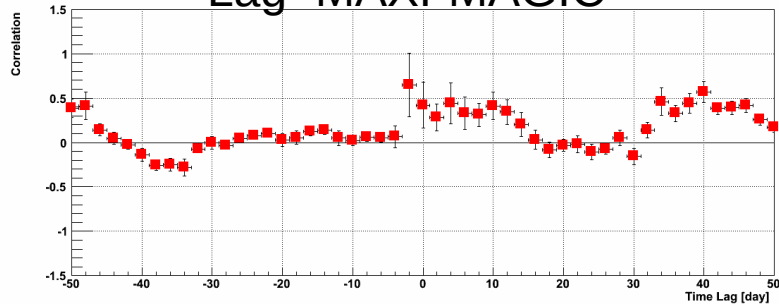
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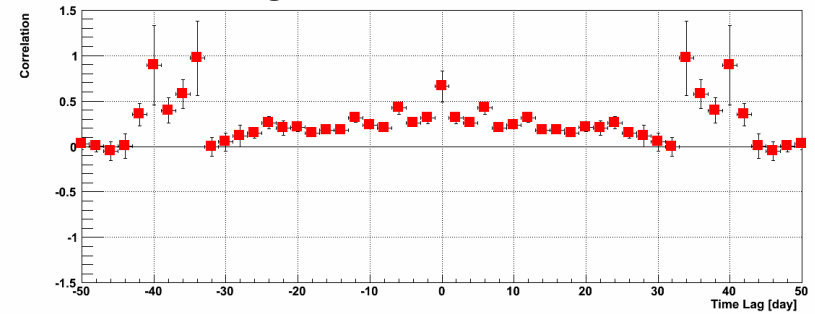


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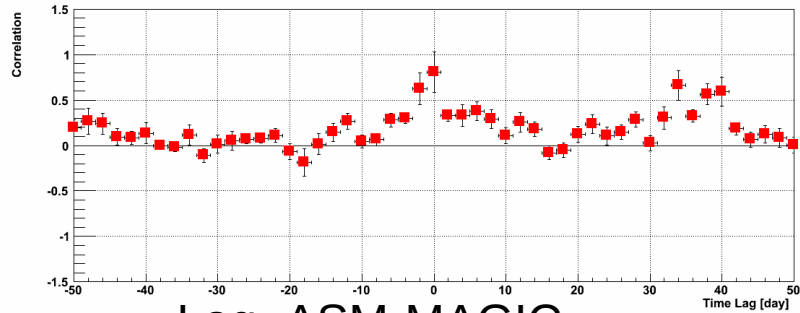
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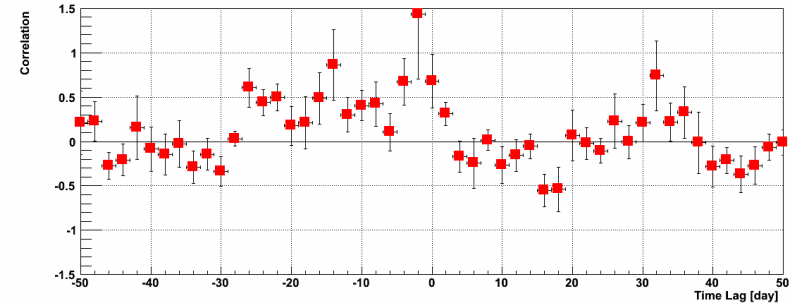
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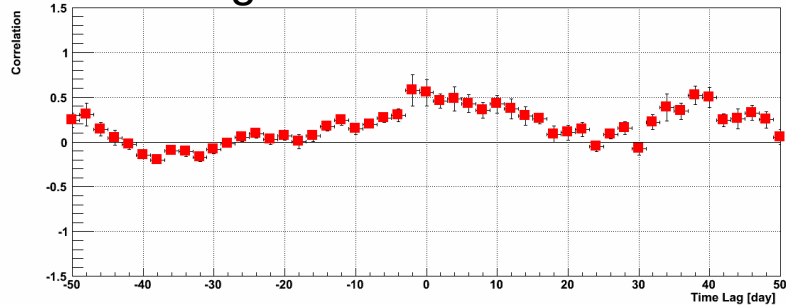
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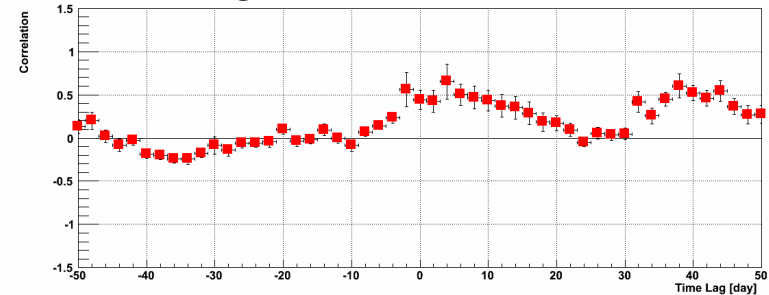
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