



# **First results from the *AstroSat* mission**

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## 2013 Kathmandu Meeting ...

- Launch: Second quarter of 2014
- Wide band X-ray spectroscopy is the strength of *AstroSat*.
- Useful to pin down the spectral components and have a definitive geometrical paradigm for the emission.
- New features (individual photon counting and possibly polarization) will enhance the observation capabilities.



**Launch: 2015 September 28**

**All instruments working well**

**X-ray spectroscopy: work in progress**

**X-ray Polarization: definitely yes.**

# Participating Institutes...

- **ISRO Centers**

Satellite, rocket, T&E, Launch, Orbit, SSM,  
Level 1&2 software + overall management

- **Research Institutes**

Tata Institute of Fundamental Research

LAXPC, CZTI, SXT

Indian Institute of Astrophysics UVIT

IUCAA SSM, CZTI

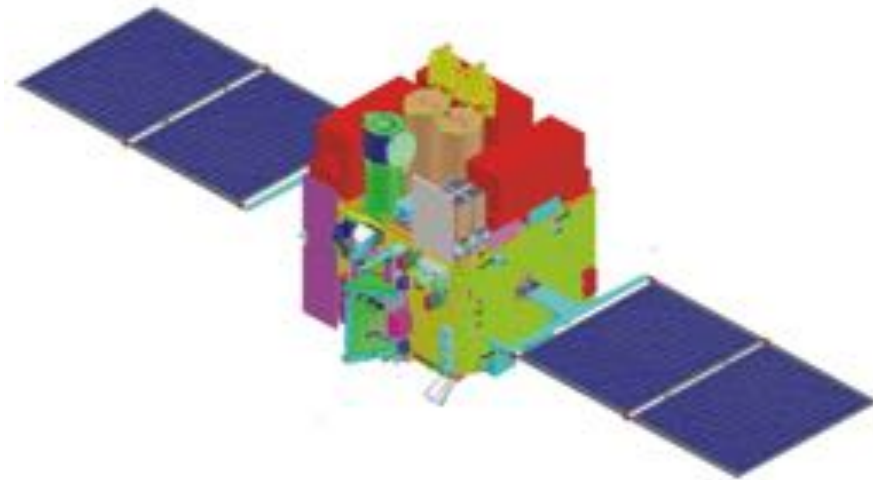
RRI LAXPC

PRL, Universities,

- **Leicester Uty (SXT), Canadian Space Agency (UVIT)**

# *AstroSat*

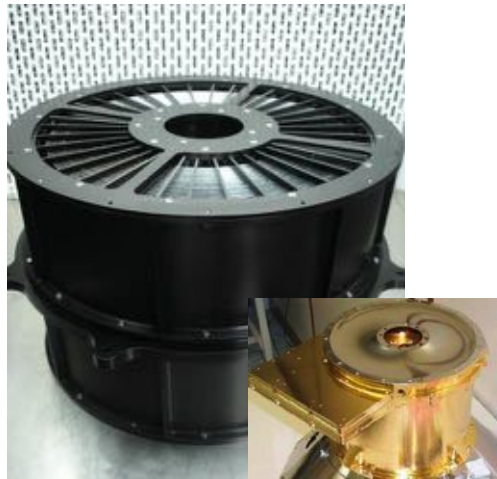
- **IRS (Indian Remote Sensing) Class**
- **Launch PSLV C30** from SHAR
- Altitude : 650 km.
- **Inclination : 6 deg.**
- Mass 1550 kg. (780 kg. Payloads)
- Power : 2200 watts
- **200 Gb (210 Mb/sec)**
- Satellite Positioning System for orbit and time data
- **Payload pointing ( $3\sigma$ ) : 0.05 degree**
- **Slew rate : 0.6 deg/sec**
- Launch: 2015 September 28
- Operational life > 5 years



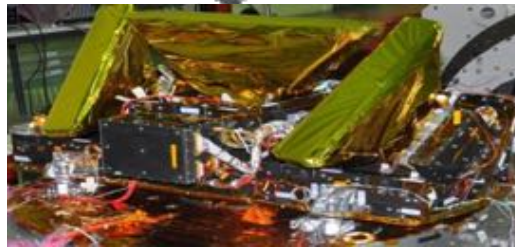
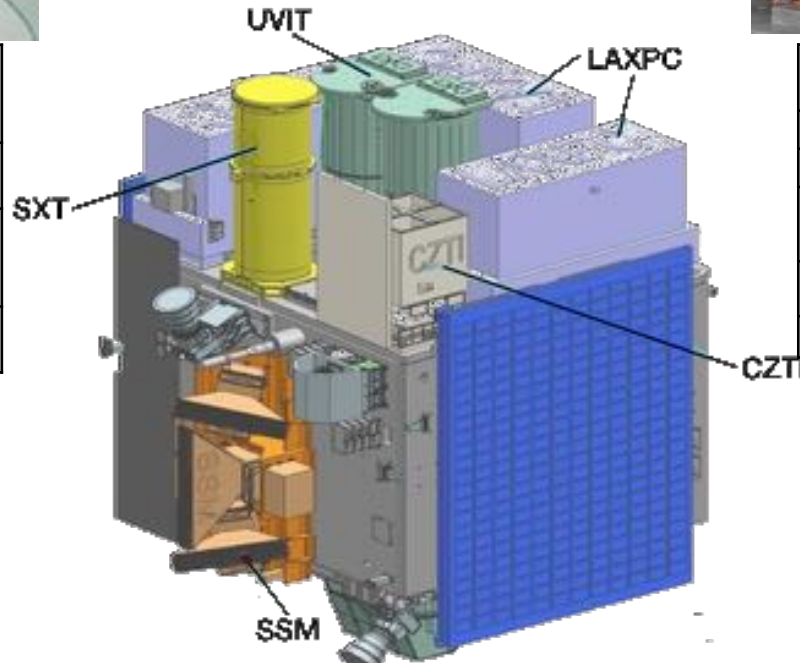
# AstroSat



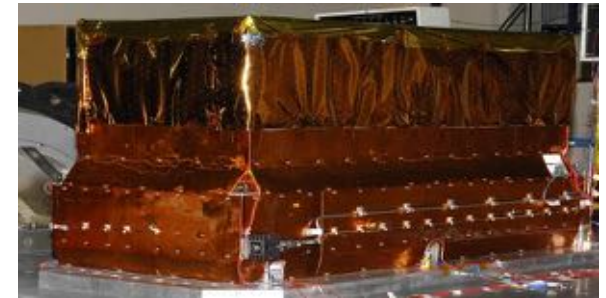
Detector	Photon-counting (Intensified) CMOS imagers
Optics	Twin Ritchie Chretien 2 mirror system
Bandwidth	130-180 nm 200-300 nm 320-550 nm
Angular Resolution	1.8 arc sec



Detector	X-Ray CCD at the focal plane
Optics	Conical foil ( Wolter-I) Mirrors
Bandwidth	0.3 - 8 keV
Energy Resolution	2.34% @ 5.9 keV
Angular Resolution	2 arc min (HPD)



Detector	Position sensitive Proportional Counter(3)
Optics	1-D coded Mask
Bandwidth	2.5 - 10 keV
Energy Resolution	25% @ 6 keV



Detector	Proportional counter
Optics	Collimator
Bandwidth	3 - 80 keV
Energy Resolution	12% @ 22 keV
Time resolution	10 microsec
Effective area	8000 cm <sup>2</sup>

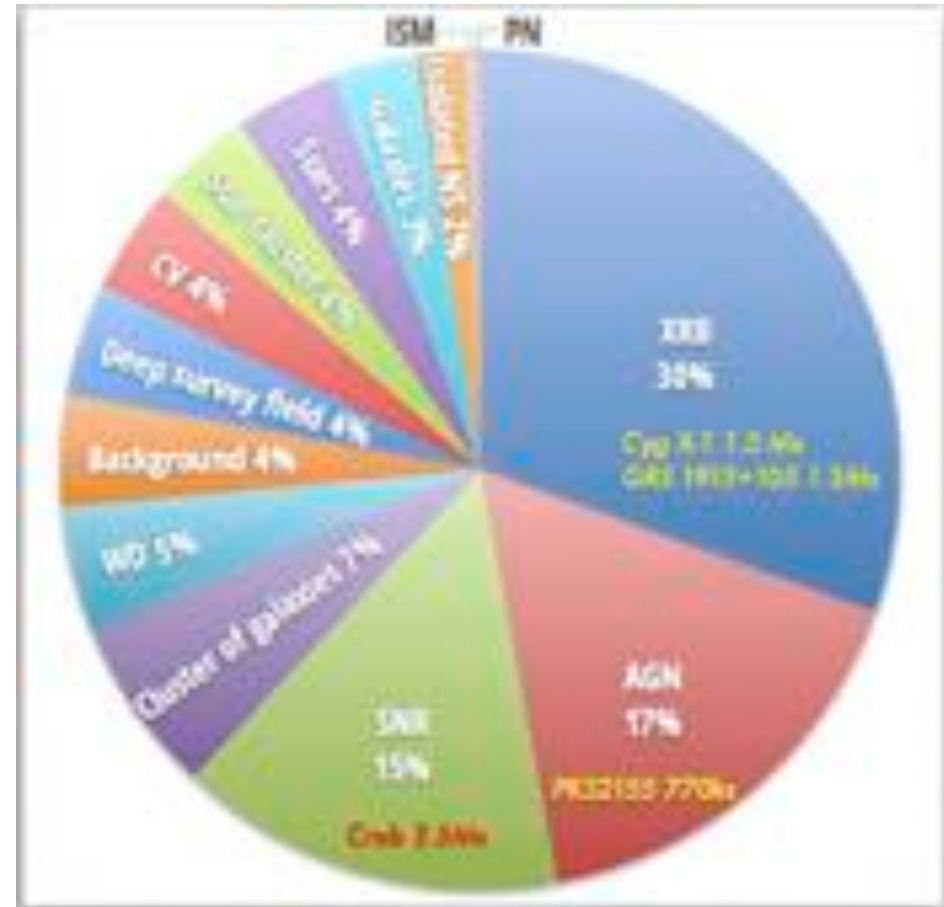


Detector	CdZnTe Detector
Optics	2-D coded Mask
Bandwidth	15 - 100 keV
Energy Resolution	6% @100 keV
Time resolution	20 microsec



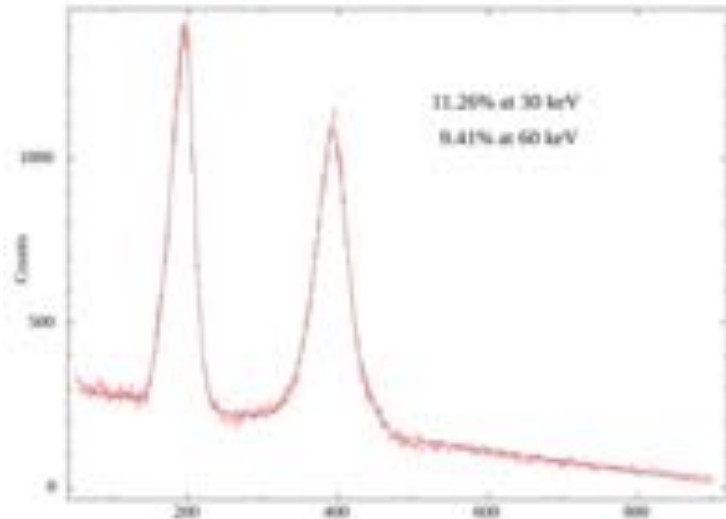
# The first year of *AstroSat*

- Six months PV phase
  - Six months GT
  - 30 Ms
- Efficiency :
- ~10% (UVIT) to
  - ~ 55% (CZTI)
- 140 sources, 337 targets



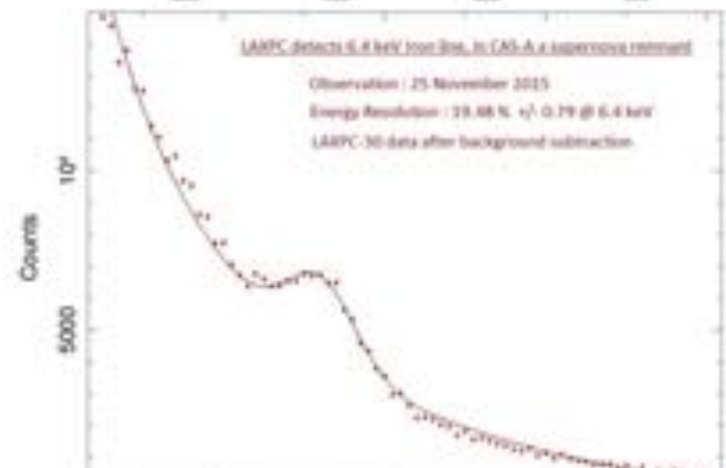
# Instrument Performance: LAXPC

- All 3 LAXPC units performing as designed.



## Spectra:

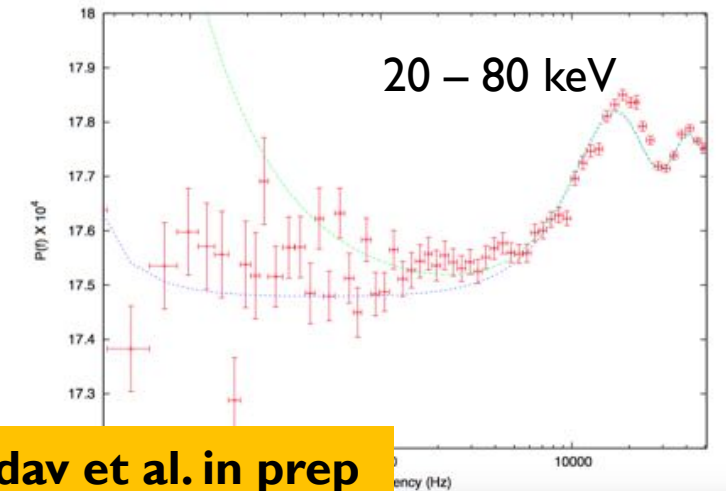
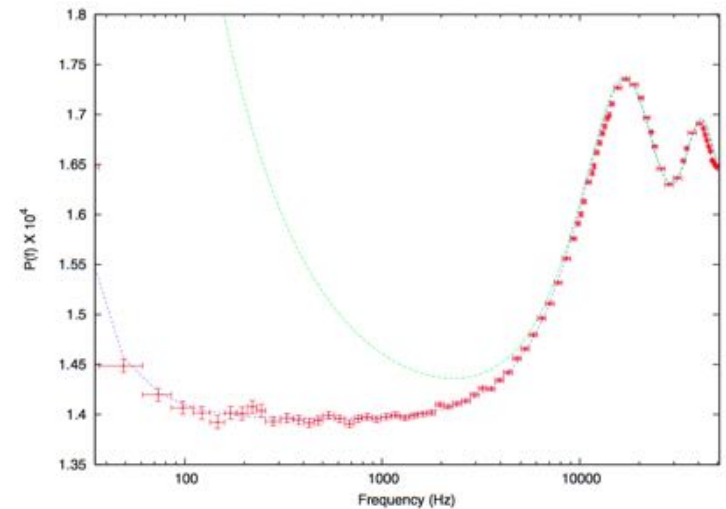
Resolution:  
11% @ 30keV  
9% @ 60 keV  
19% @ 6.4 keV



## Timing:

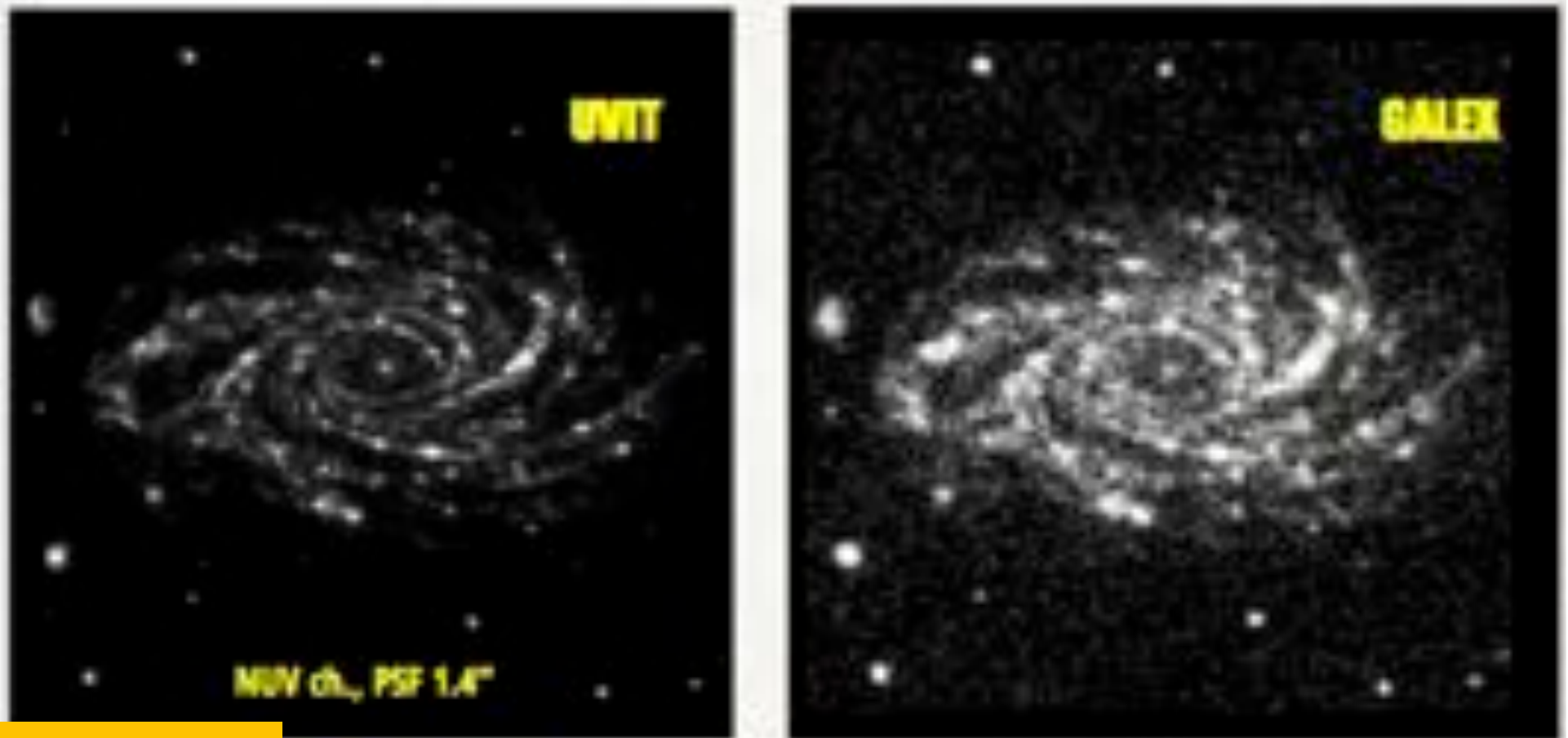
Dead time: 42.3  $\mu$ s

QPO Q=4; rms=5%



# Instrument Performance: UVIT

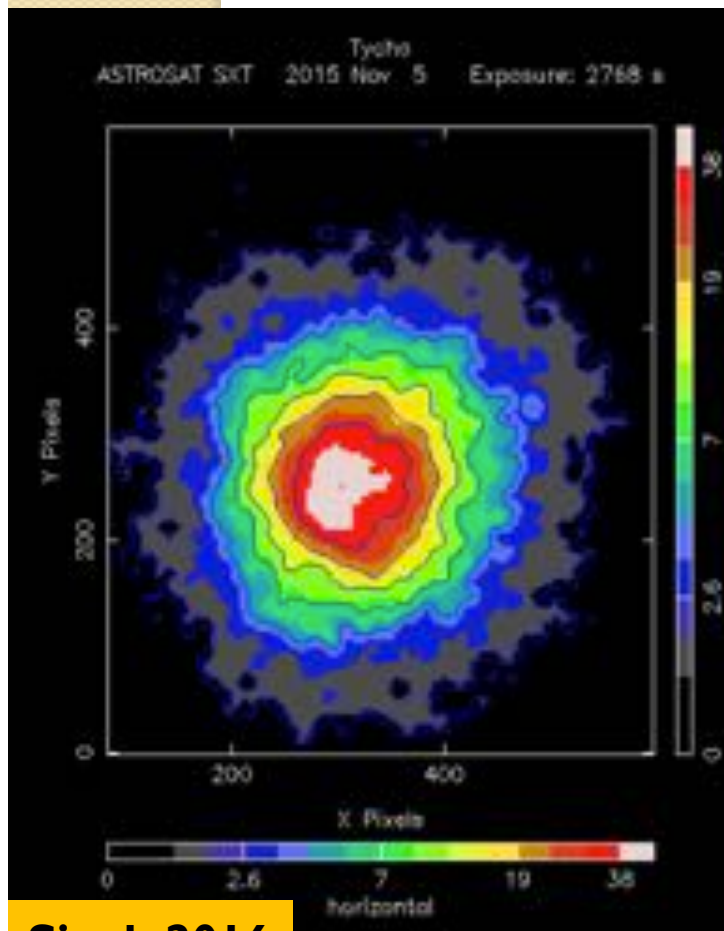
- NGC 2336





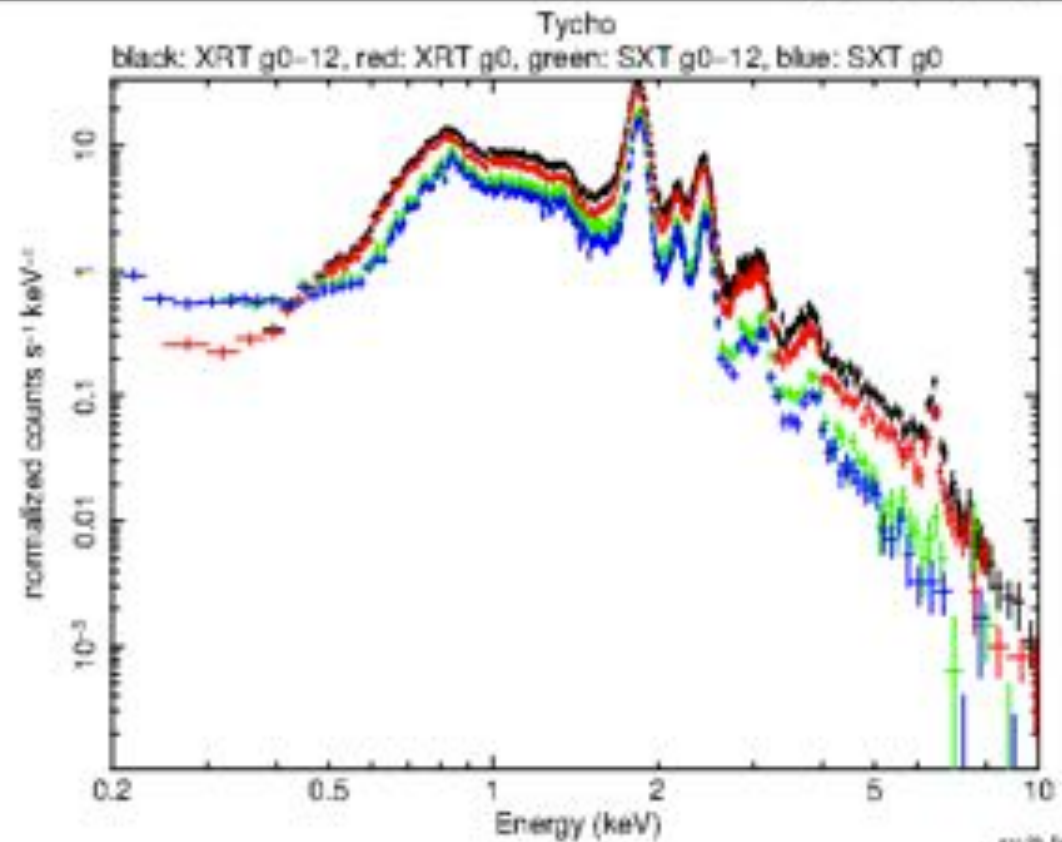
# Instrument Performance: SXT

- Tycho SNR



Singh 2016

## Emission lines from fully ionized Mg, Si, S, Ar, Ca



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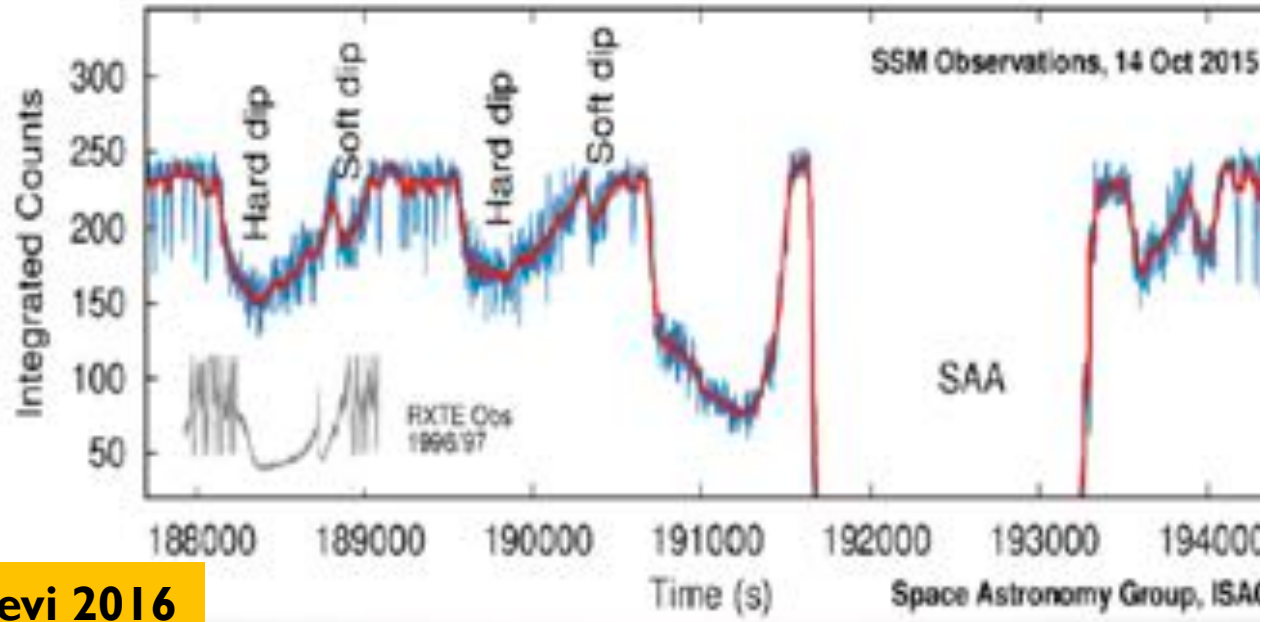
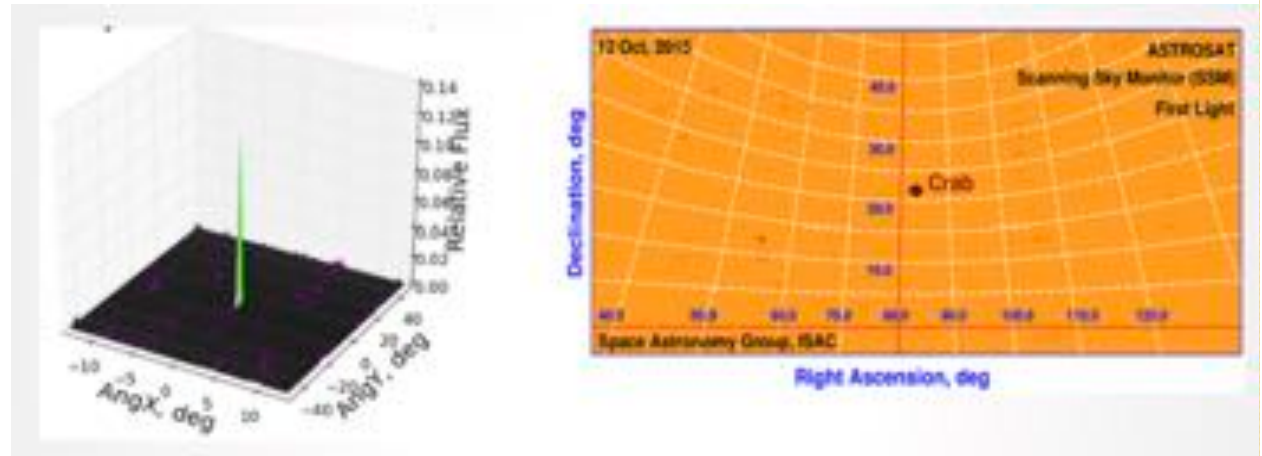
# Instrument Performance: SSM

Crab

GRS 1915+105

Beta Class.

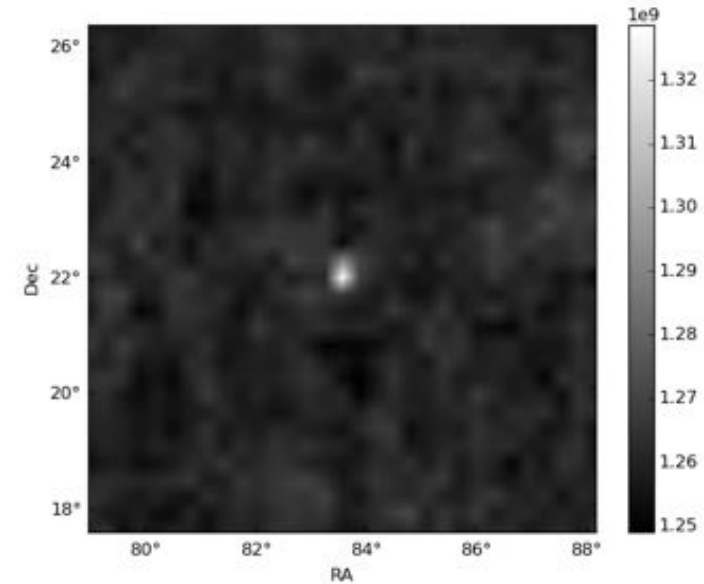
Ability to stare at a source for a long time.



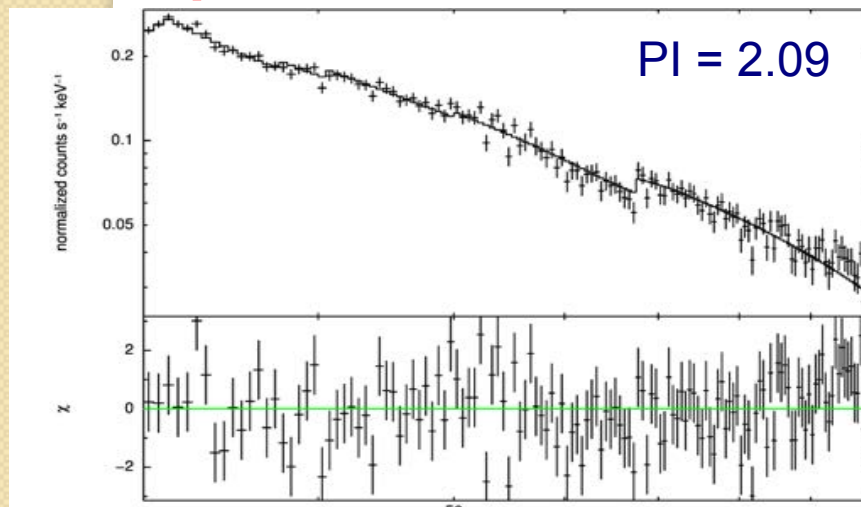
# Instrument Performance: CZTI

## Image

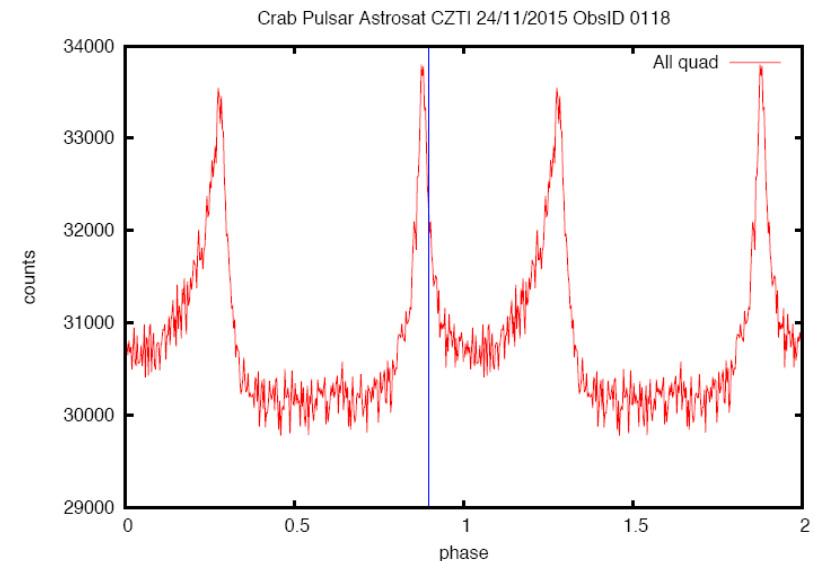
- Crab spin down (36 ns/day) detected clearly in one day observation
- X-ray pulse known to lead radio pulse by  $\sim 300 \mu\text{s}$  (Integral)
- CZTI pulse leads radio by  $\sim 490 \pm 150 \mu\text{s}$
- Absolute time accuracy:  $\sim 200 \mu\text{s}$



## Spectrum



## Pulse profile

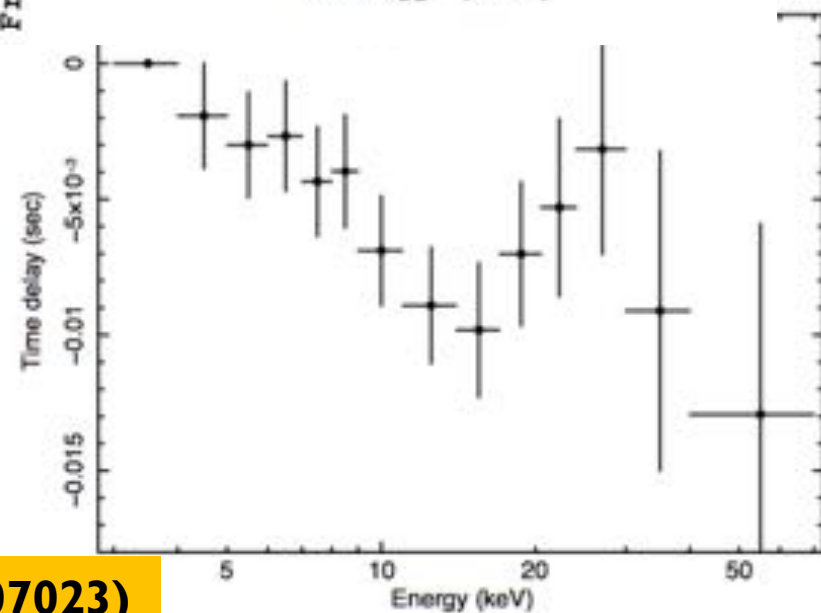
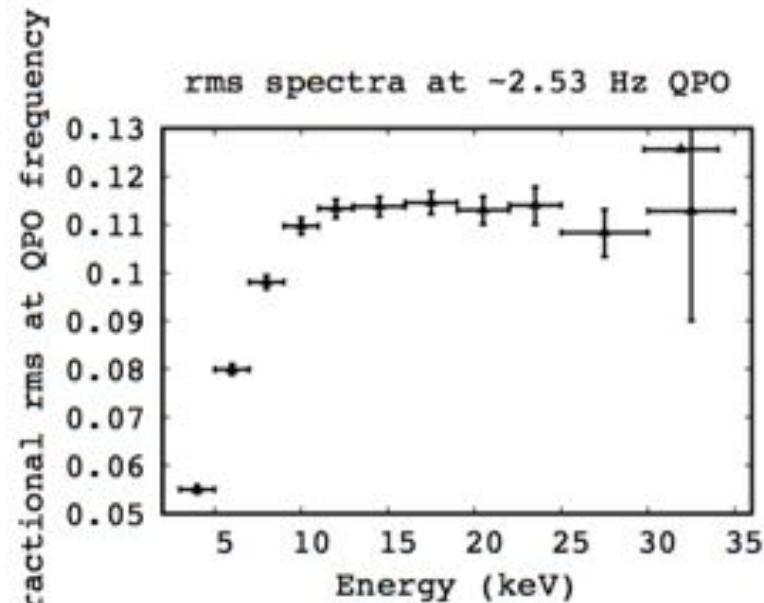
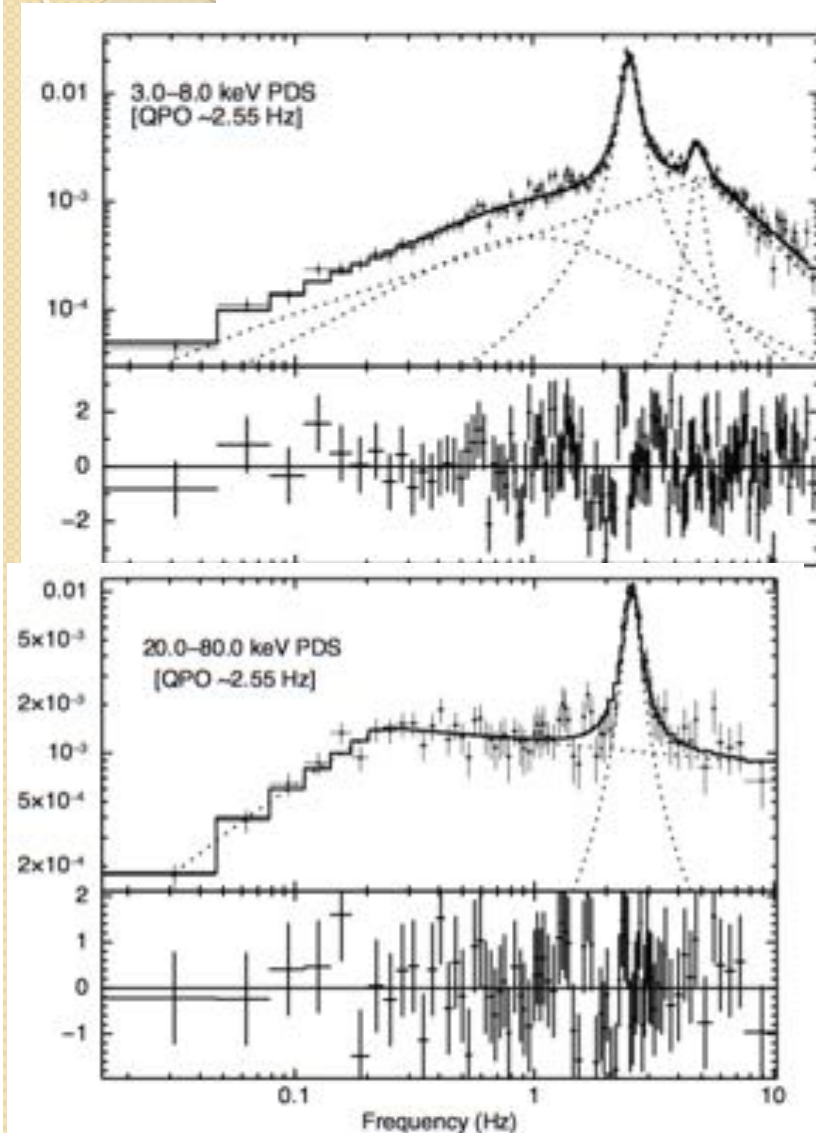




## *AstroSat* Results

- GRS 1915+105: Yadav et al. ApJ, in press 1608.07023
- GRB 151006A: Rao et al. ApJ, in press 1608.07388
- *AstroSat*: Rao, Singh Bnhattacharya, SRT, 1608.06051
- In-Orbit Performance: SPIE 9905-45,46,47,48 (1609.00538)
- Instrument papers, JAA, sub., 1608.03408; 1608.06038
- Cyg X-3: Bhargava et al., ApJ, sub.
- Two ATels: Ramadevi et al (8185), .Yadav et al. (9515)
- Twelve GCNs
- Many ``in preparation''

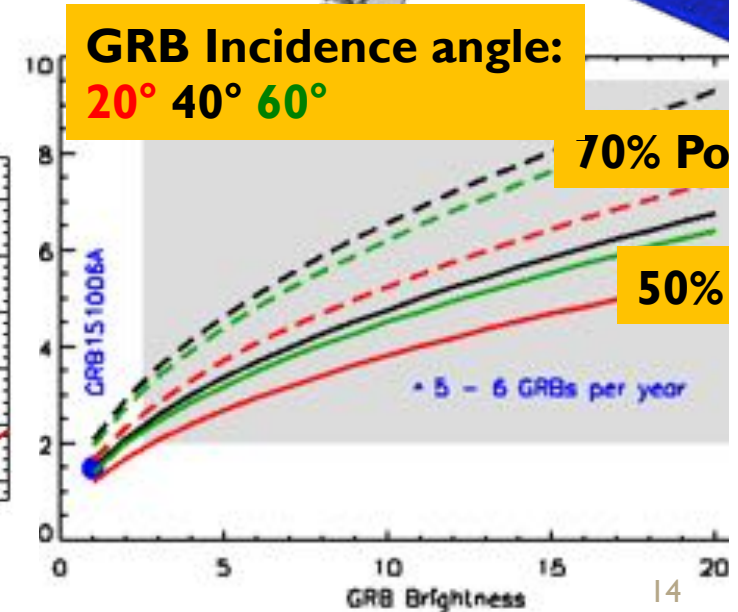
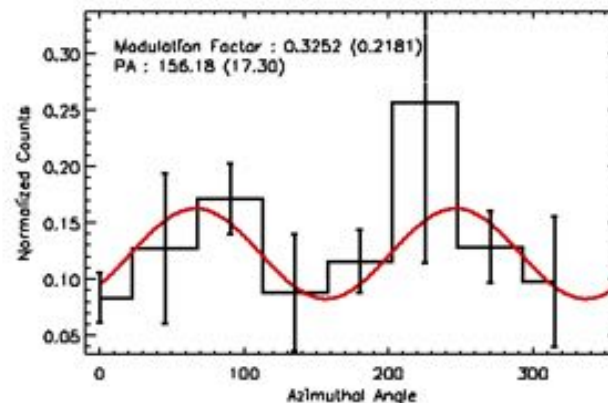
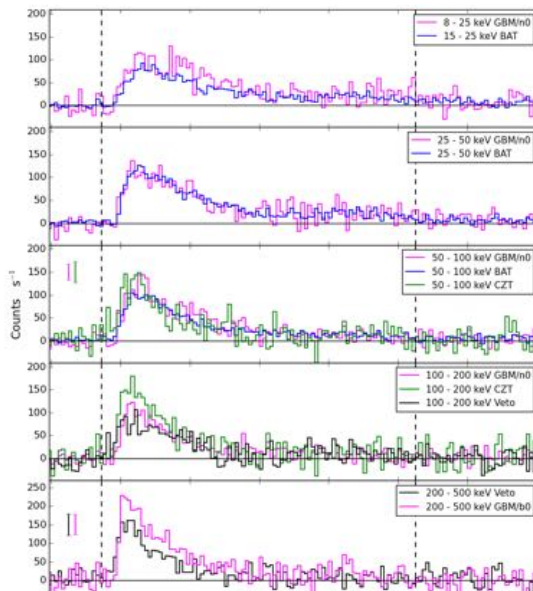
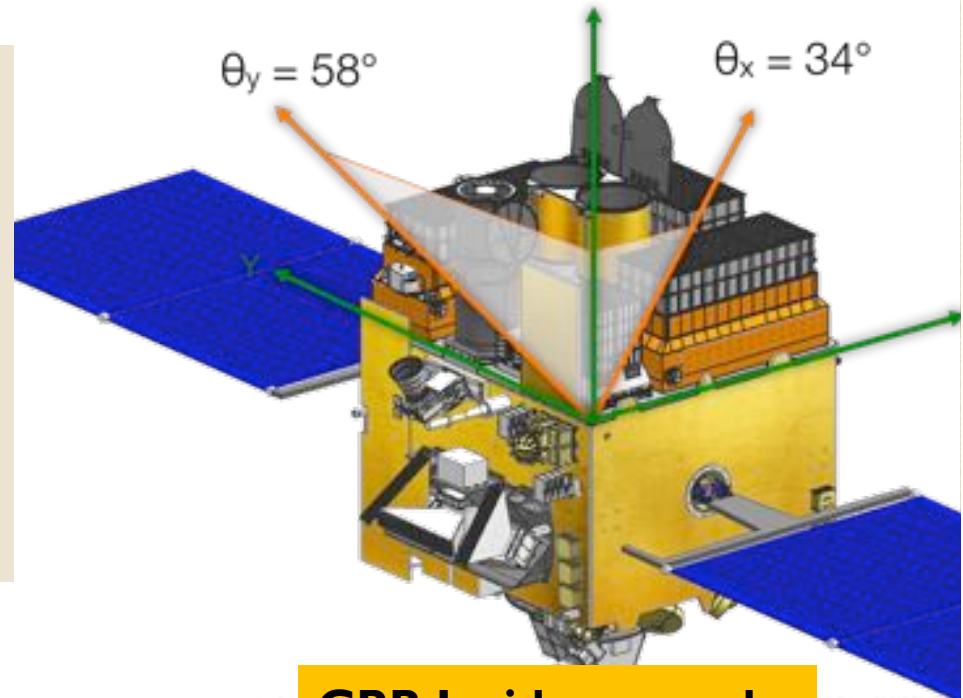
# GRS 1915+105: $\chi$ Class





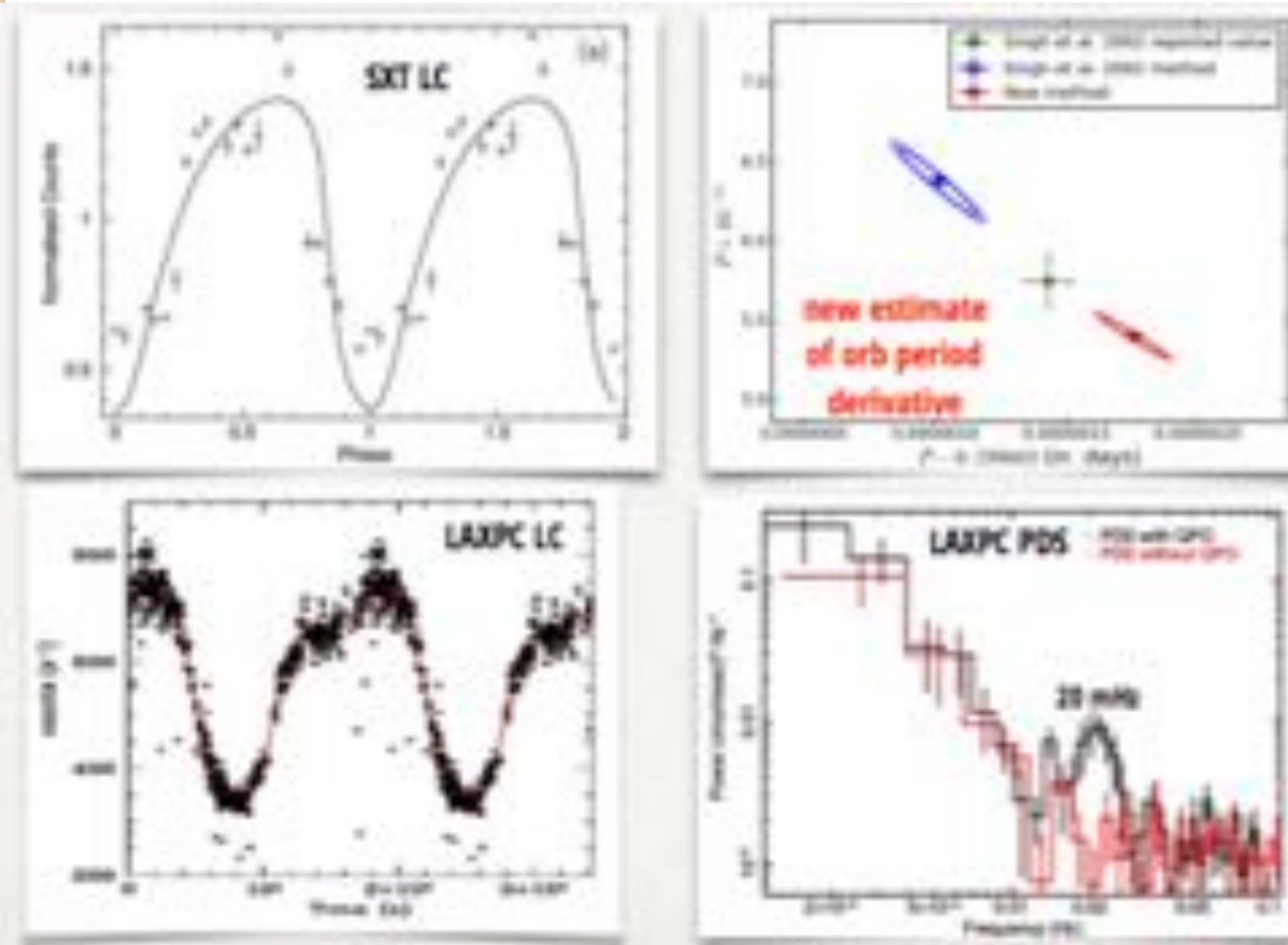
# AstroSat CZT Imager detects GRB 151006A.

- On the first day of operation.
- Incident at  $60^\circ.7$  from vertical ( $\theta_x = 34^\circ; \theta_y = 58^\circ$ )
- Material around CZT detectors are transparent to X-rays above 100 keV.
- Significant detection area for off-axis sources.

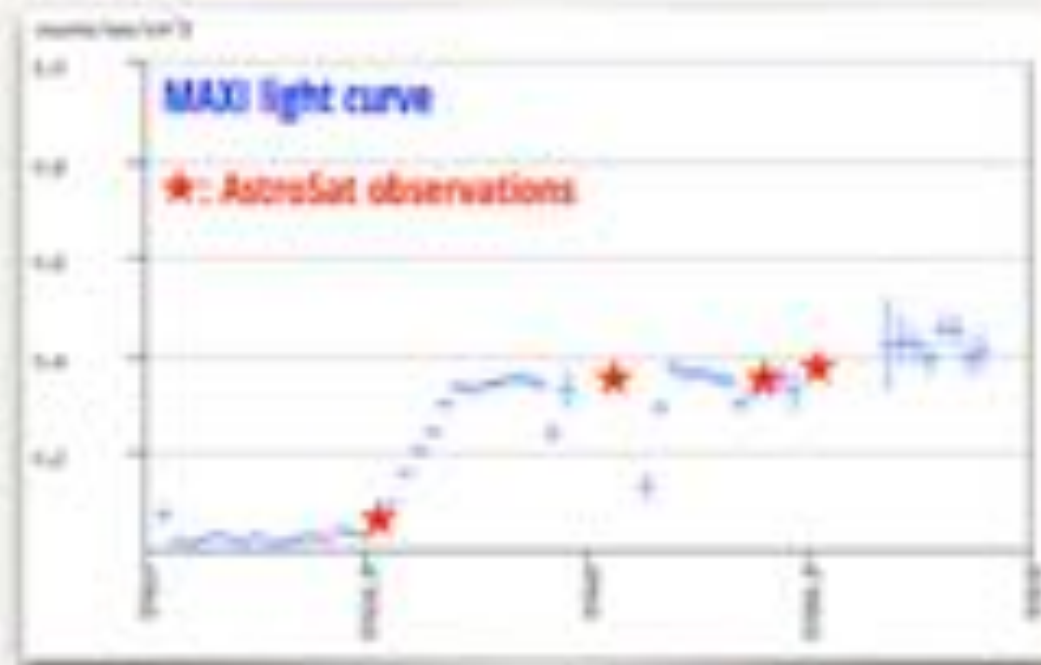


Rao et al. 2016 (ApJ in press; arXiv:1608.07388)

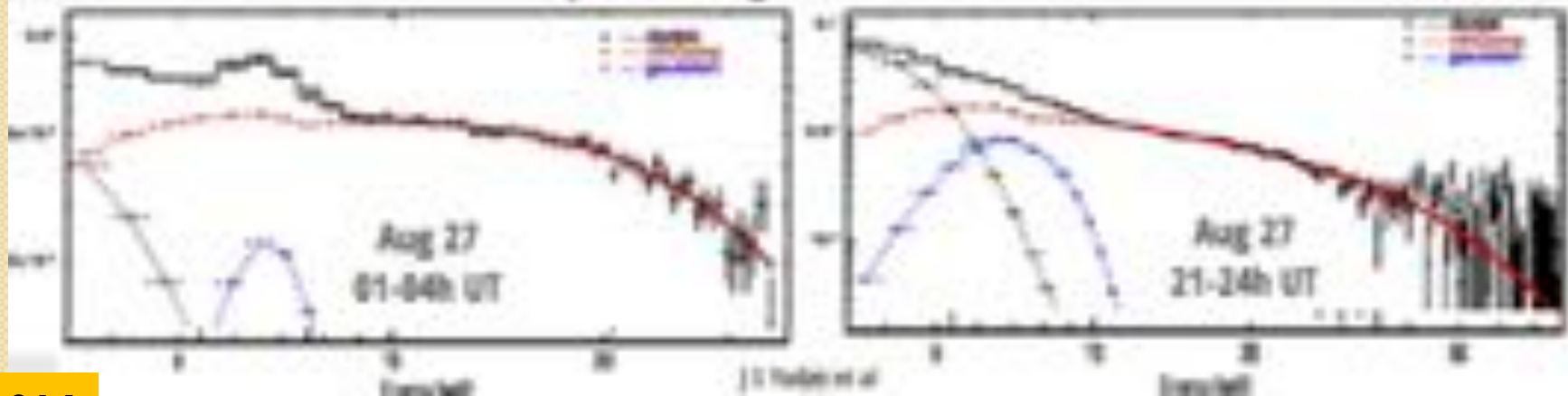
# Cygnus X-3

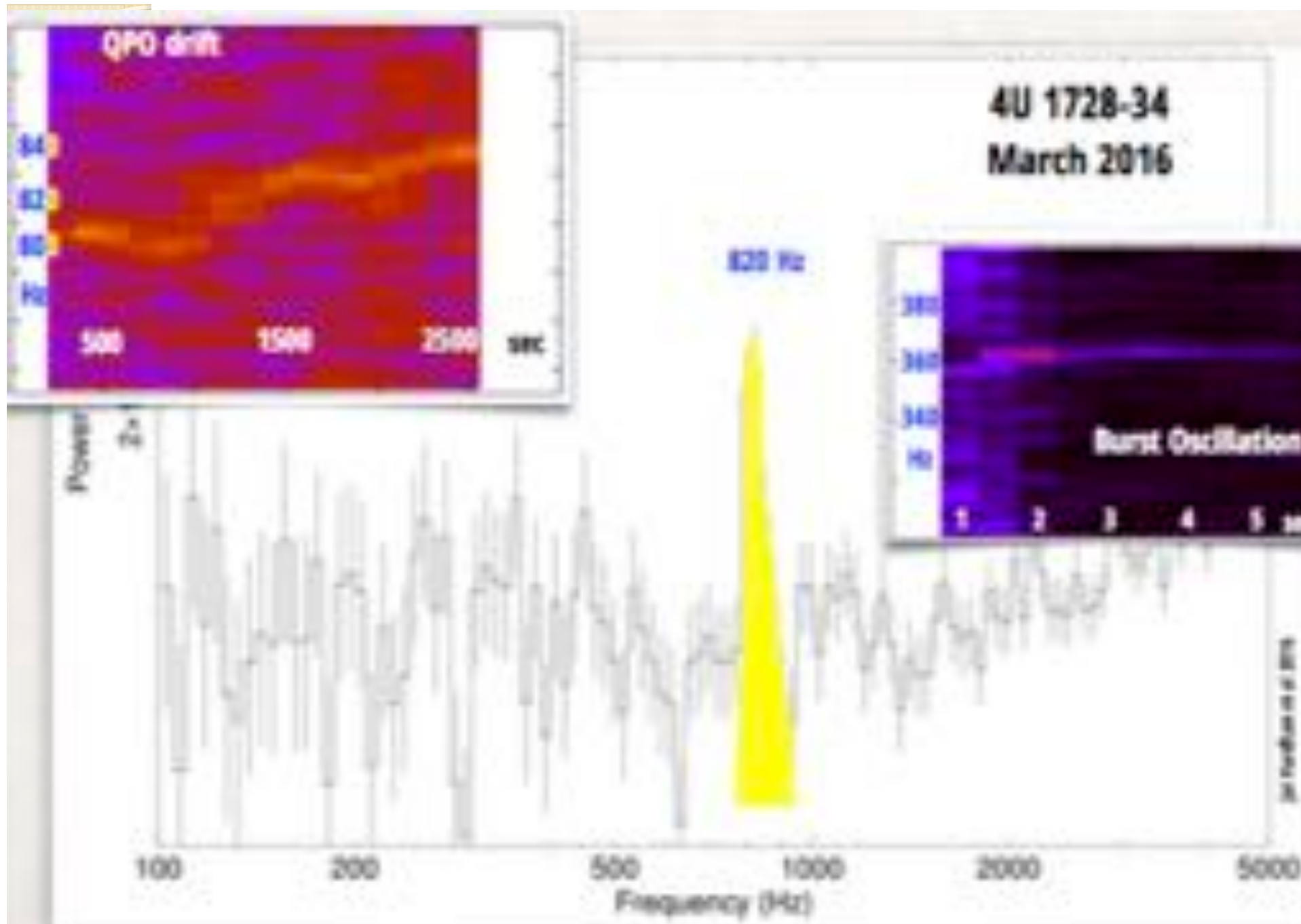


# 4U 1630-472 : 2016 outburst



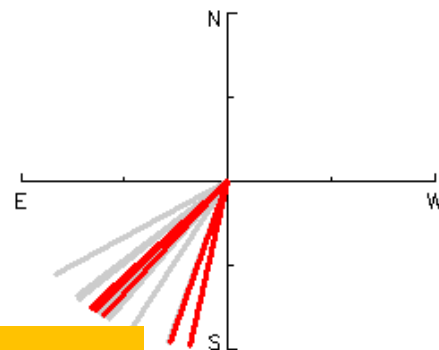
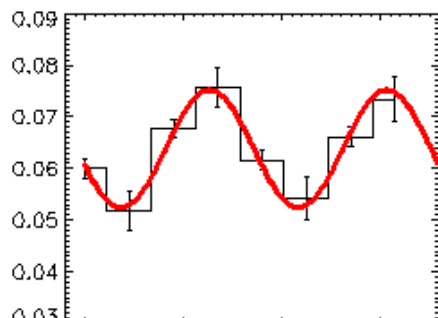
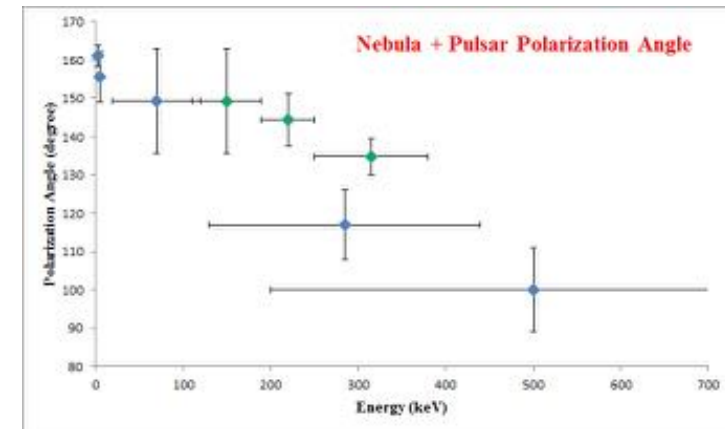
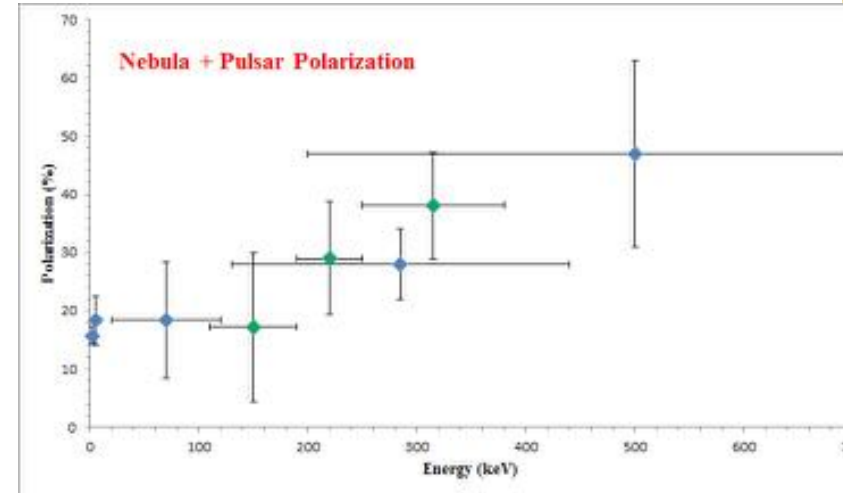
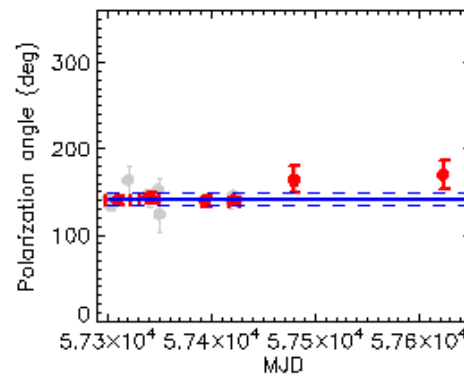
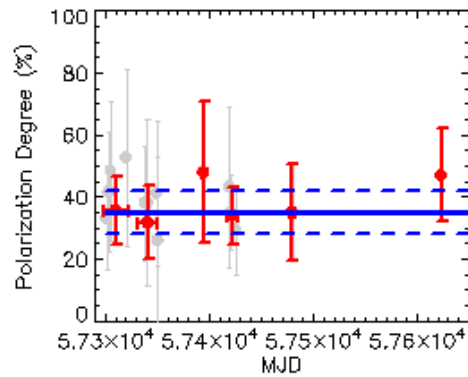
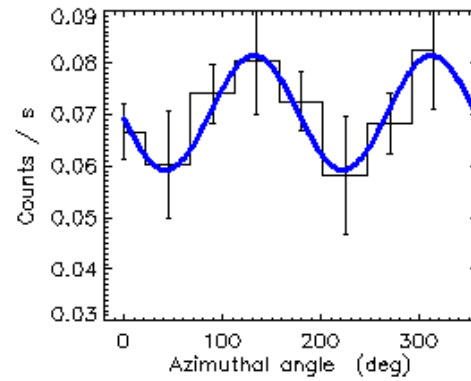
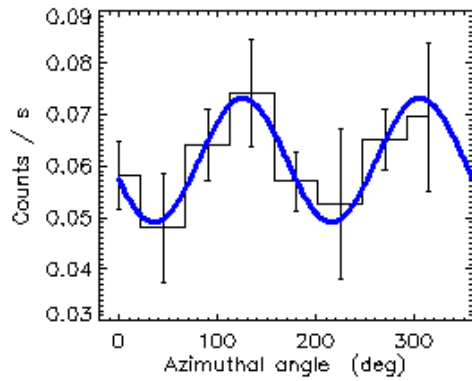
Spectral change in the first 20 h







# Crab Polarization



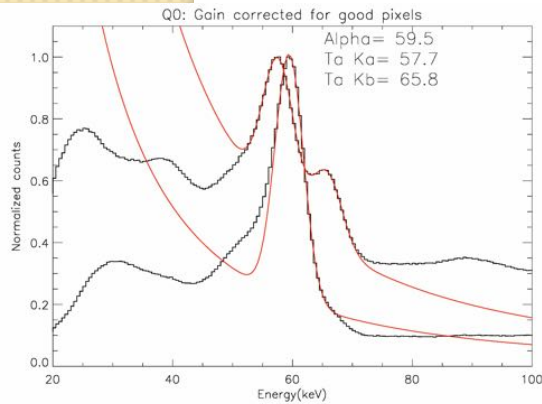
Vadawale et al. 2016b (In prep.)



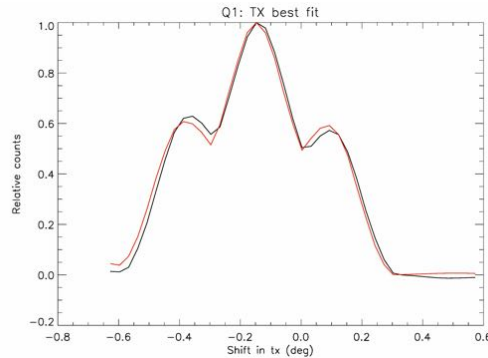
# A few key research areas ...

- Cross-spectral calibration
- Millisecond “events”
- Polarisation

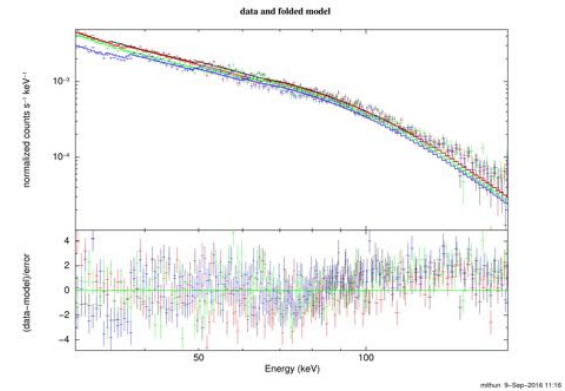
# Cross calibration and systematics



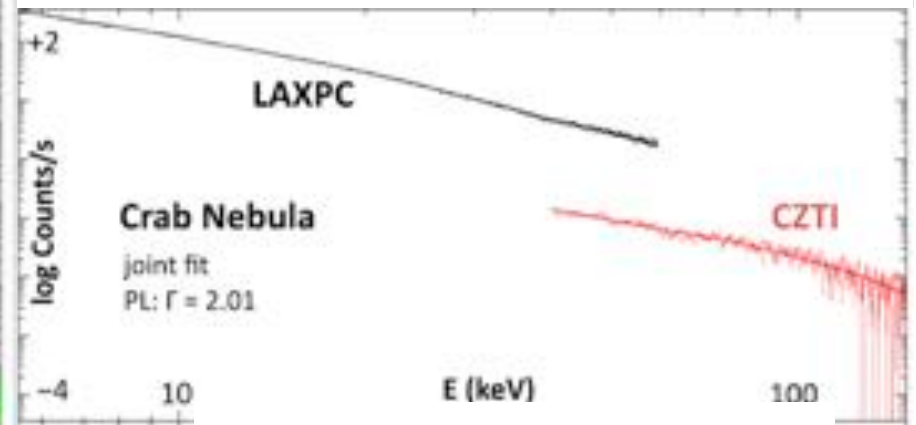
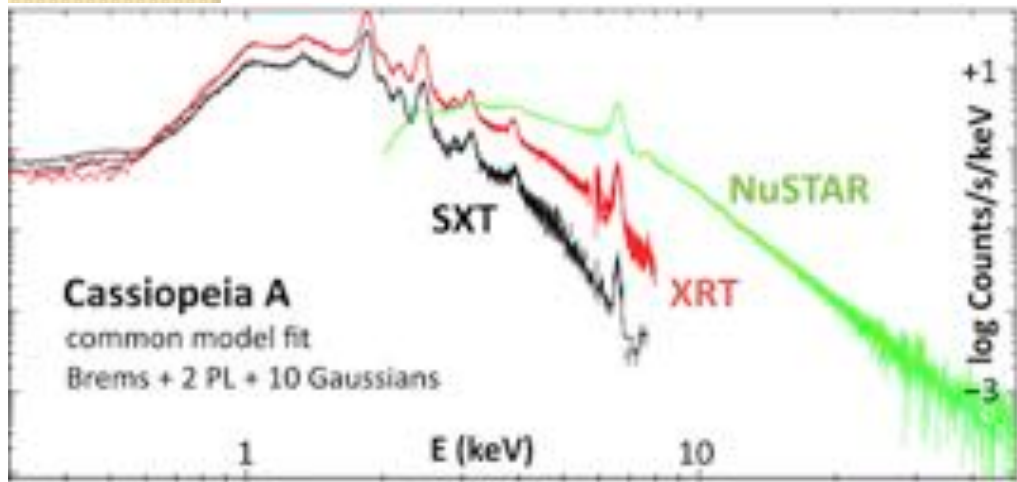
Individual pixel gain



Mask shift verification



Continuum spectrum



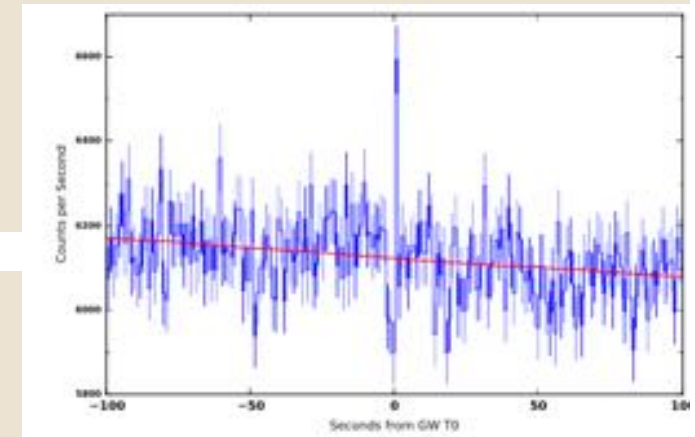
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# Gamma-ray Bursts

*AstroSat*: 650 km;  $6^\circ$

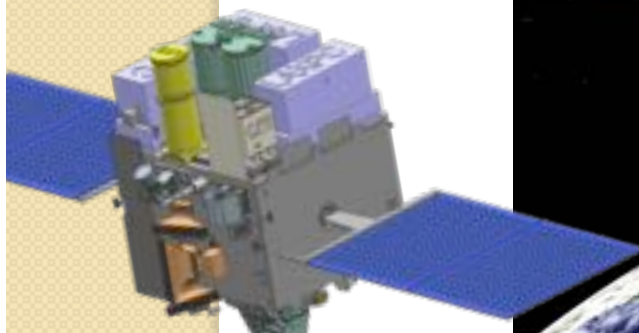
Fermi: 565 km  $25^\circ.6$  Swift: 600 km  $20^\circ$

- First 10 months data. 214 total.
- ~150 Fermi; ~60 Swift; 40 - 50 CZTI
- Full *AstroSat* mass model
- Possible GW counterparts.



Connaughton et al. 2016  
See also Griener et al. 2016

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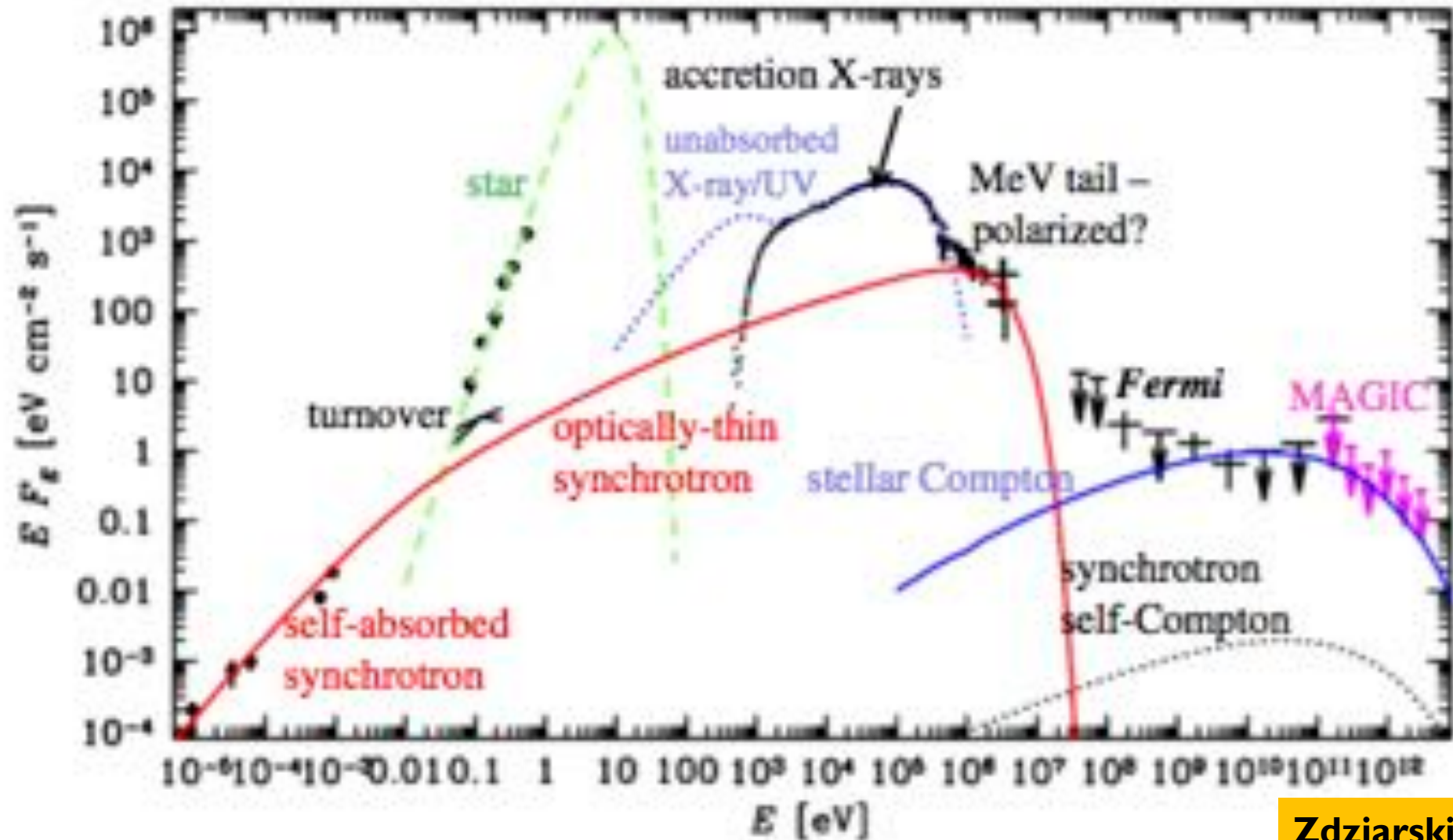
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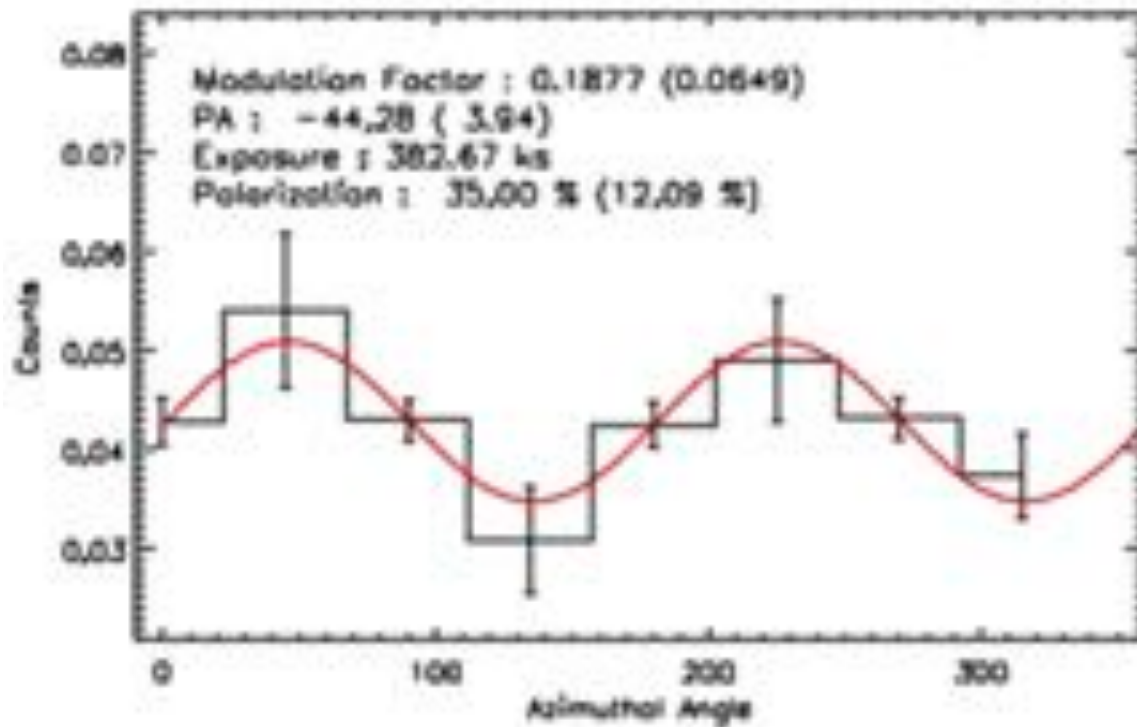
**Swift**



# Cygnus X-1: black hole binary



# Cygnus X-1: detection of Polarisation







# Conclusions

- All instruments are performing as planned
- High energy timing response and hard X-ray polarization are the key features
- Regular observations are carried out
- Robust data analysis pipe line is being developed

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