

# AXP & SGR: “magnetars” or “Quactar”?

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--- $\dot{E}$  < LX

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--- $\tau_c$  &  $\tau_{host}$

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# Basic observations: AXP

- ◆ spin periods  $P$ : 2-- 12 s , 10 Know
- ◆  $P_{\dot{d}o} \approx 10^{-13}$  to  $10^{-11}$  s/s, spinning down
- ◆ Large timing noise
- ◆  $E_{\dot{d}o} < L_x$
- ◆ spin down **time scales**:  $10^3$ — $10^5$  yr
- ◆ very **soft** X-ray spectra
- ◆ **lack** of bright optical counter parts
- ◆ SNR

# Basic observations: SGR

- ◆ ***super-outbursts* →  $10^{44}$  reg/s**  
(low-energy gamma-ray and X-ray bursts)
- ◆ **Observations for AXP:**
  - spin periods P: 5-- 8 s
  - $P_{\dot{d}o}t \approx 10^{-13}$  to  $10^{-11}$  s/s
  - Large timing noise
  - $E_{\dot{d}o}t < L_X$
  - soft X--ray spectra
  - secular spin down on time scales:  $10^3$ — $10^5$  yr
  - lack of bright optical counter parts
  - SNR

# AXPs

# SGRs

- ~10 known
- X-ray pulsars, P=2-12 s
- Spinning down
- Timing noise, glitches
- 3 in SNRs
- Thermal+power-law spectra with sharp upturn >10 keV
- Large variability
- Bursts

- ~6 known
- X-ray pulsars, P=5-8 s
- Spinning down
- Timing noise
- 1(?) in SNR
- Thermal+power-law spectra with moderate upturn > 10 keV
- Large variability
- Bursts
- Giant flares

AXP and SGR						
CXOU J010043.1–721134	8.02	$1.9 \cdot 10^{-11}$	60	SMC	AXP	[85, 96, 148]
4U 0142+61	8.69	$2 \cdot 10^{-12}$	3.6	-	B, G?	[73, 26]
1E 1048.1–5937	6.45	(1–10) $10^{-11}$	8	-	B, G	[139, 152, 46, 28]
1E 1547.0–5408	2.07	$2.3 \cdot 10^{-11}$	5	G327.2–0.1	T, B, R	[12, 64, 33, 106]
PSR J1622–4950	4.33	$1.7 \cdot 10^{-11}$	9	-	R	[88]
CXOU J164710.2–455216	10.6	$9.2 \cdot 10^{-13}$	3.9	Westerlund 1	T, B, G	[114, 71]
1RXS J170849.0–400910	11.0	$2.4 \cdot 10^{-11}$	5	-	G	[141, 72, 18, 27]
XTE J1810–197	5.54	(0.8–2.2) $10^{-11}$	3.1	-	T, B, R	[70, 13, 163, 9]
1E 1841–045	11.77	$4.1 \cdot 10^{-11}$	8.5	Kes 73	G	[159, 49, 111, 27]
1E 2259+586	6.98	$4.8 \cdot 10^{-13}$	4	CTB 109	B, G	[39, 80]
AX J1844.8–0256	6.97	-	8.5	G29.6+0.1	candidate, T	[160, 142]
SGR 0418+5729	9.1	$<1.1 \cdot 10^{-13}$	2	-	T, B	[155, 34]
SGR 0501+4516	5.76	$7.1 \cdot 10^{-12}$	1.5	-	T, B	[131, 4, 30]
SGR 0526–66	8.05	$6.5 \cdot 10^{-11}$	55	LMC, N49	B, GF	[95, 93, 149]
SGR 1627–41	2.59	$1.9 \cdot 10^{-11}$	11	-	T, B	[165, 103, 37, 32]
SGR 1806–20	7.6	(8–80) $10^{-11}$	8.7	star cluster	B, GF	[82, 120, 109, 162]
SGR 1833–0832	7.6	$7.4 \cdot 10^{-12}$	10	-	T, B	[55, 38]
SGR 1900+14	5.2	(5–14) $10^{-11}$	15	star cluster	B, GF, G?	[94, 164, 104]

# Models

$$E_{\text{dot}} < L_x$$

$\implies \rightarrow$

- 1) Accretion  $\Rightarrow$  energy
- 2) B  $\Rightarrow$  energy: Magnetar
- 3) Glitch NS  $\Rightarrow$  energy
- 4) Quark star  $\Rightarrow$  energy

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# Energy Budget: persistent X-ray radiation

$$E_x > 3 \times 10^{47} \text{ erg} \left( \frac{\tau_c}{10^5 \text{ yr}} \right) \left( \frac{L_x}{10^{35} \text{ erg s}^{-1}} \right)$$

$$E_B \approx \left( \frac{B^2}{8\pi} \right) \left( \frac{4\pi R^3}{3} \right)$$

$$E_x = \xi E_B$$

$$\xi \ll 1$$

as  $\xi = 1$ , when  $B = 10^{15} G$ ,  
then  $E_x = 1.7 \times 10^{47} \text{ ergs}$ .

Take Neutrino & giant flares:  
 $\Rightarrow B > 10^{16} G$ .

How about  $\xi \ll 1$ ?

# SGR 0418+5729

$$\underline{B_{dip} \leqslant 7.5 \times 10^{12} G.}$$

D=2kpc,  $L_x = 6.2 \times 10^{31} erg/s,$

$\tau_c = 24 Myr$ , from

$$B^2 \simeq 6L_x\tau_c/R^3$$

$$\underline{B_{tor} = 5 \times 10^{14} G.}$$

How about  $\xi \ll 1?$

$B_{tor}$  can be as large as you like?

# Challenge to magnetar

- Radio pulsar J1847-0130  
**PSR J1718-3718**  
 $B \sim 9.4 \times 10^{13} \text{ G}$  ;  
 $B \sim 7.4 \times 10^{13} \text{ G}$
- Anti-Magnetar:  
PSR J1852+0040  
 $L_x = 18 E_{\dot{}} \text{ dot}$   
 $L_x > E_{\dot{}}$   
 $B_s = 3.1 \times 10^{10} \text{ G}$

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**strong B  $\neq \! \! \! \rightarrow$  X-ray radiation**

$E_{\dot{}} < L_x \neq \! \! \! \rightarrow$  **strong B**

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Radio: XTE J1810–197, AXP 1E 1547.05408

**radio radiation  $\leftarrow / \rightarrow$  low B**

# Radio pulsar, magnetar, anti-magnetar

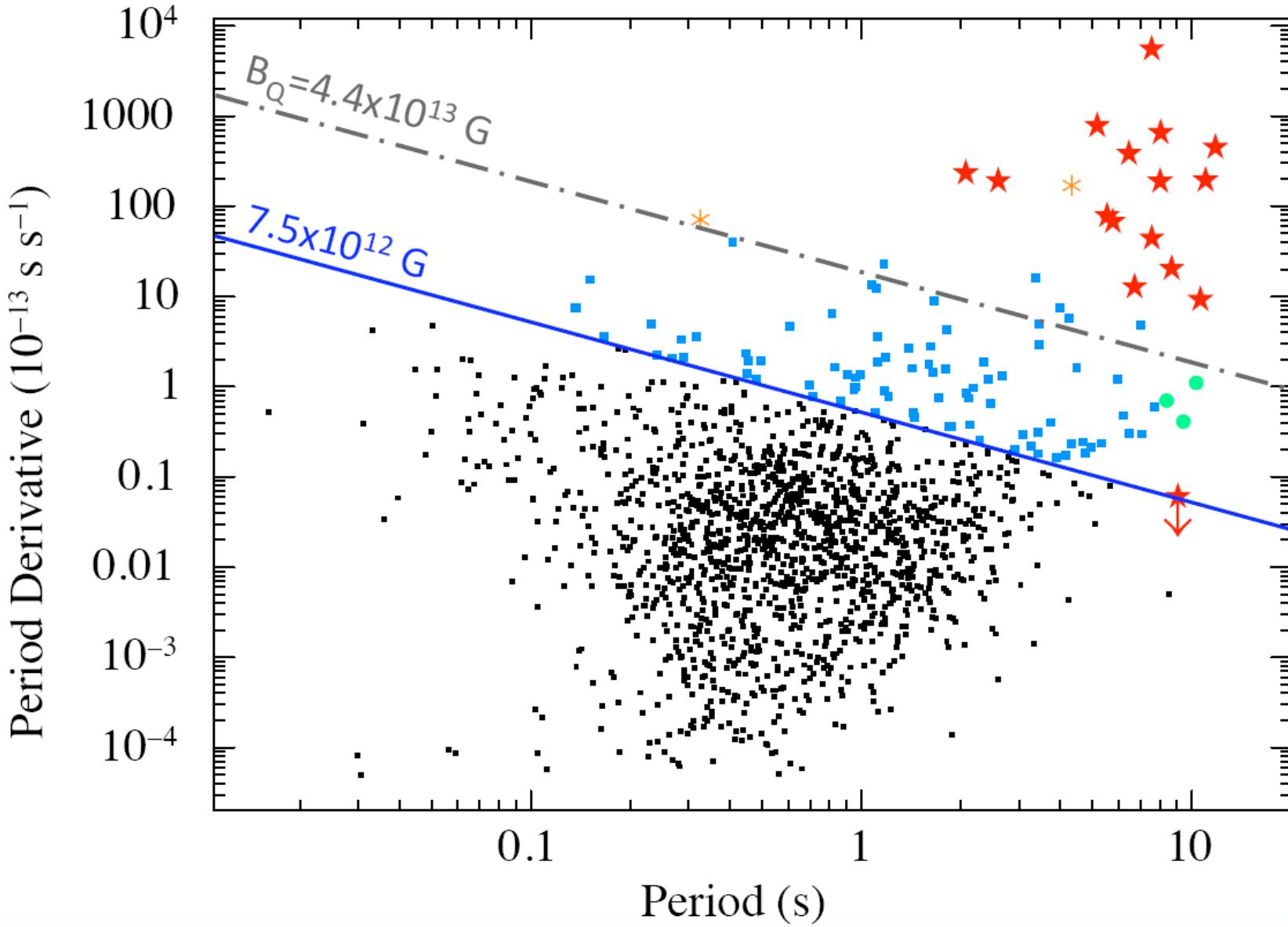
Name	$P$ (s)	$\dot{P}$ (s $\cdot$ s $^{-1}$ )	$\tau_c$ (yr)	$B_s$ (G)	Note
PSR J1847-0130	6.7	1.3e-12	8.2e4	9.4e13	High-B Radio PSR(a)
PSR J1718-3718	3.3	1.5e-12	3.5e4	7.4e13	High-B Radio PSR(b)
PSR J1814-1733	4.0	7.4e-13	8.6e4	5.5e13	High B Radio PSR(c)
SGR 0418+5729	9.1	1.1e-13	4.1e6	3.0e13	Magnetar, no radio (d)
1E2255+586	7.0	4.9e-13	2.3e5	5.9e13	Magnetar, no radio(e)
XTEJ1810-197	2.1	2.3e-11	1.4e3	2.4e14	Magnetar, radio(f)
1E 1547.0-5408	5.54	1.2e-11	7.6e3	2.6e14	Magnetar, radio(g)
PSR J1622-4950	4.3	1.7e-11	4e3	2.8e14	Magnetar? , radio(h)
PSR J1846-0258	0.324	7.1e-12	7.2e2	4.9e13	$L_X/\dot{E}_{\text{rot}} = 0.05$ ,no radio(i)
PSR J1852+0040	0.105	8.7e-18	1.9e8	3.1e10	Anti-mag. $L_X/\dot{E} = 17.7$ ,no radio(j)

Qiao,Xu,Du, 2010, astro-ph: 0044740

**Table 3** Rotation Powered Pulsars with  $B > 4 \times 10^{13}$  G.

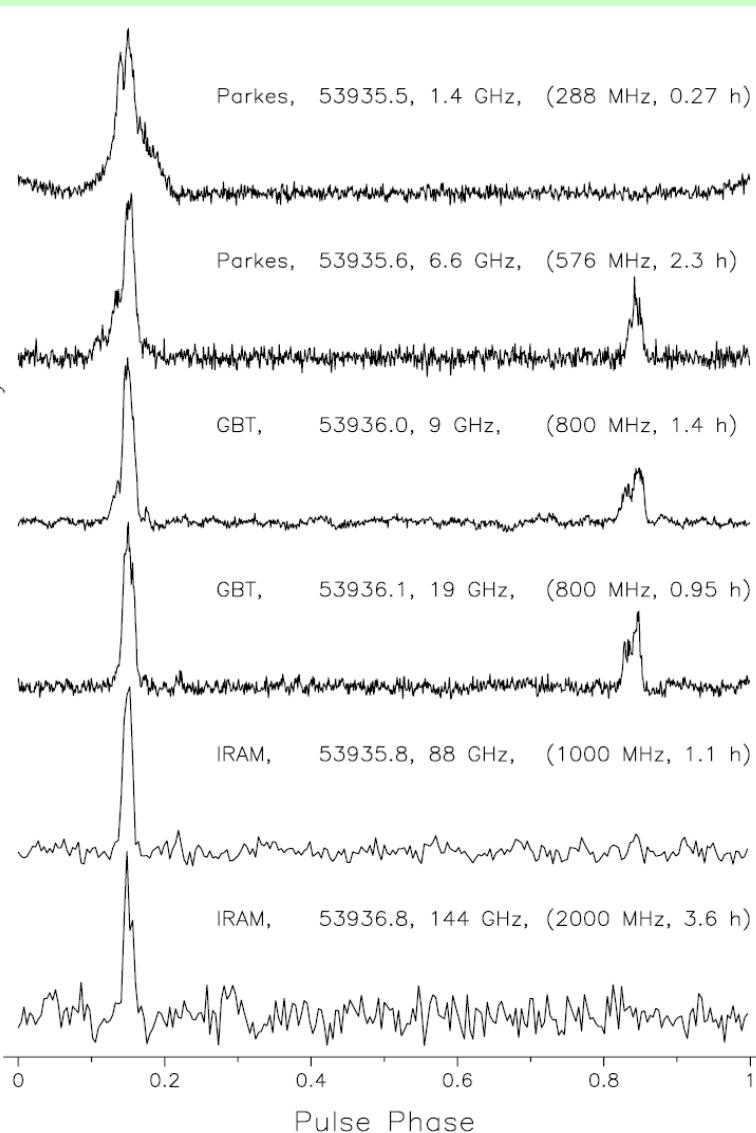
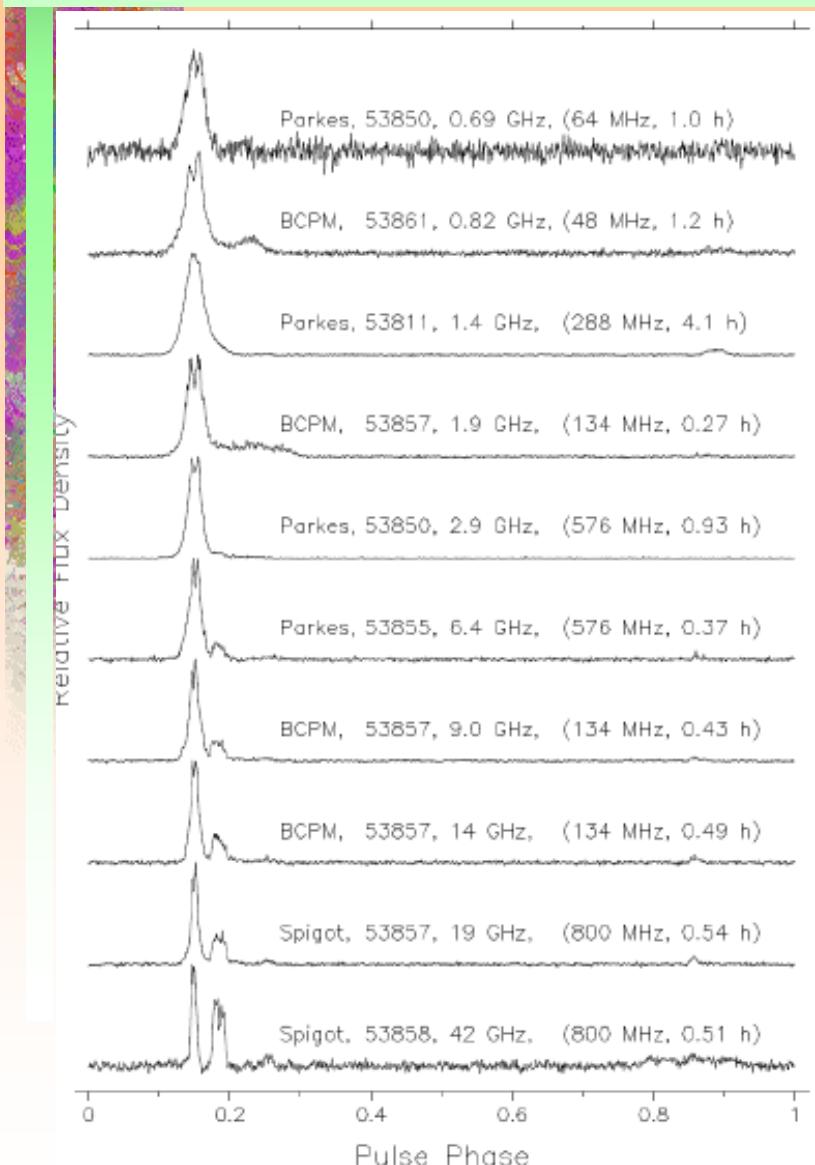
Name	Period (s)	$\dot{P}$ ( $s s^{-1}$ )	B (G)	$L_x$ ( $erg s^{-1}$ )
J1847–0130	6.7	$1.3 \times 10^{-12}$	$9.4 \times 10^{13}$	$< 5 \times 10^{33}$
J1718–3718	3.4	$1.6 \times 10^{-12}$	$7.4 \times 10^{13}$	$6 \times 10^{33}$
J1814–1744	4.0	$7.5 \times 10^{-13}$	$5.5 \times 10^{13}$	$< 2 \times 10^{33}$
J1734–3333	1.2	$2.3 \times 10^{-12}$	$5.2 \times 10^{13}$	–
J1846–0258	0.3	$7.1 \times 10^{-12}$	$4.9 \times 10^{13}$	$4 \times 10^{34}$ in SNR Kes 75
J1119–6127	0.4	$4.0 \times 10^{-12}$	$4.1 \times 10^{13}$	$3 \times 10^{33}$ in SNR G292.2–0.5

Mereghetti,S. Astro-ph:1008.2891

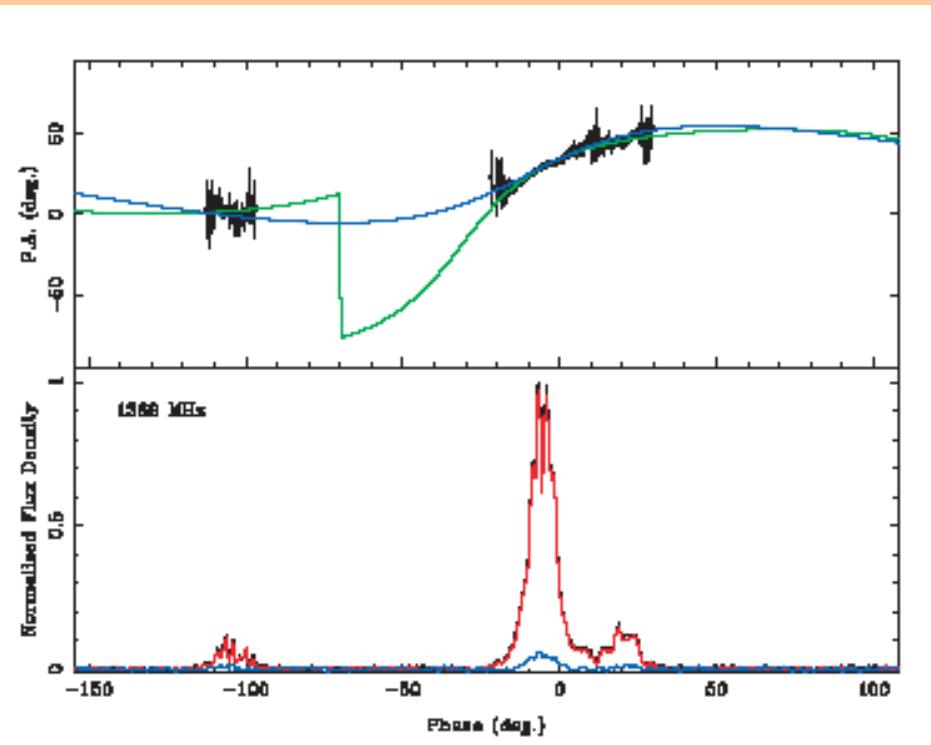
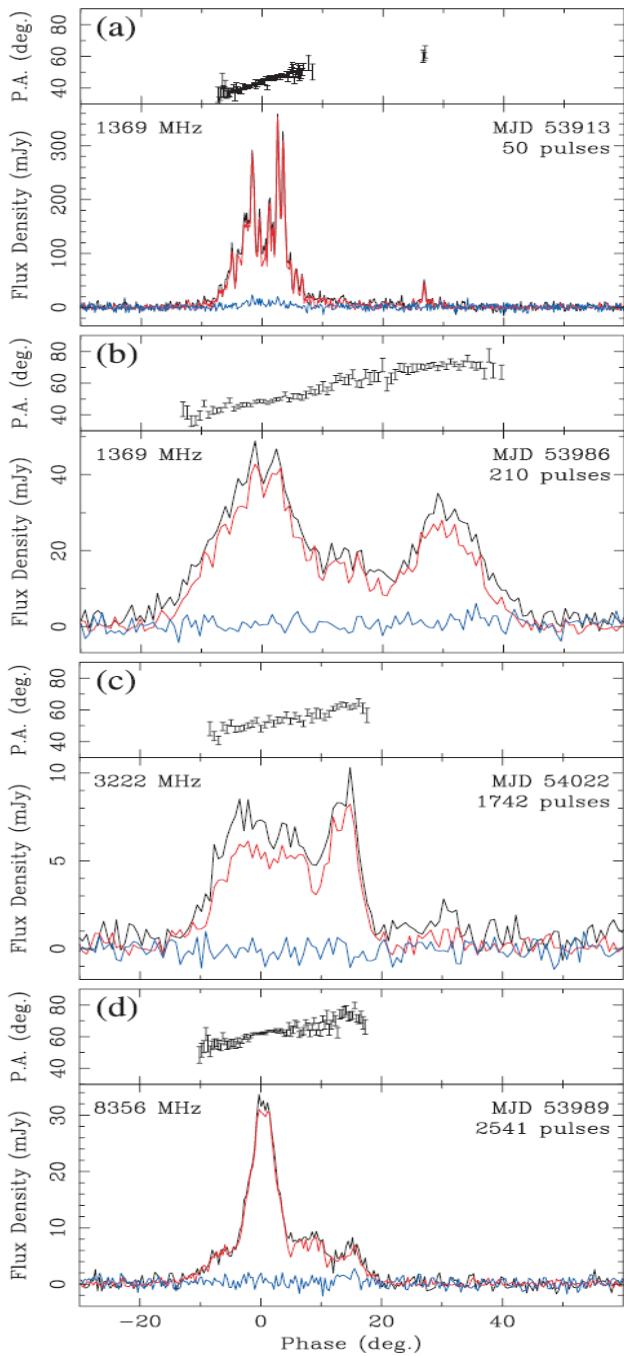


**Rea et al. ,arXiv:1010.2781**

# AXP XTE J1810–197 : $p=5.54$ s, $B=1.7\times10^{14}$ G



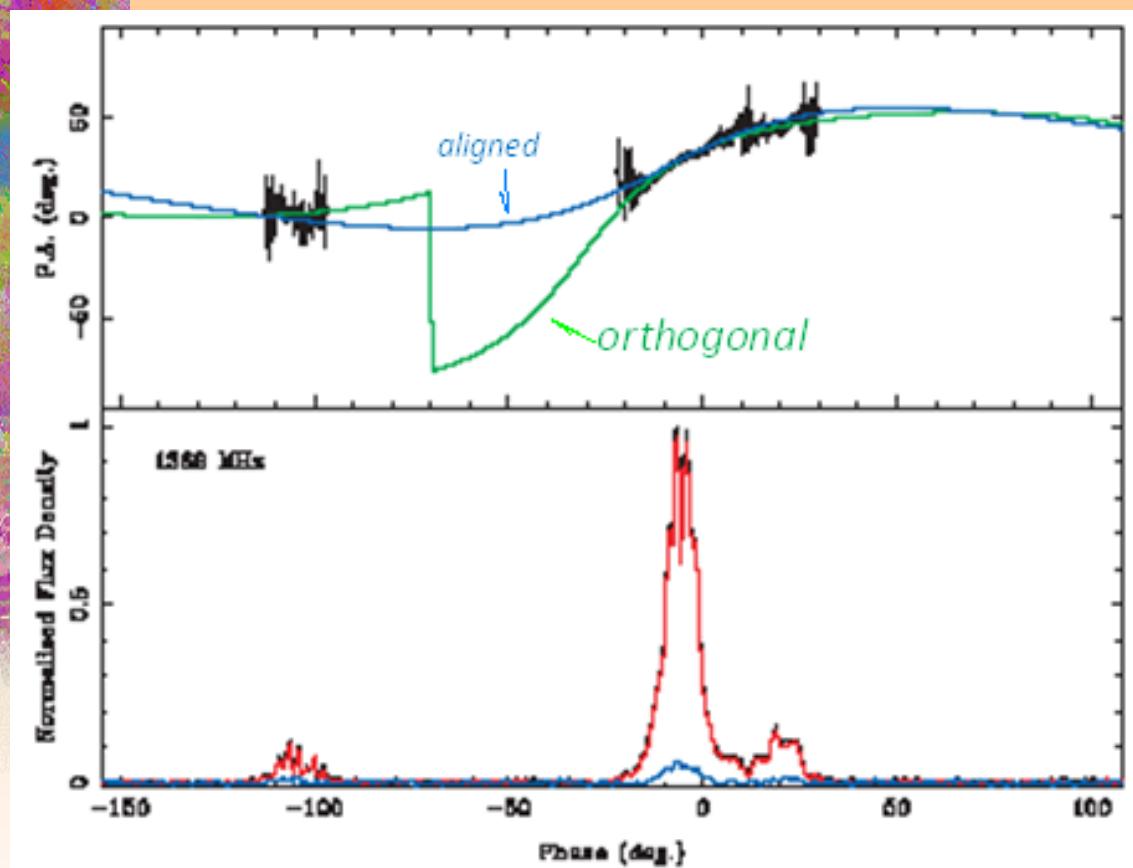
# AXP XTE J1810–197



the profiles over time and frequency.

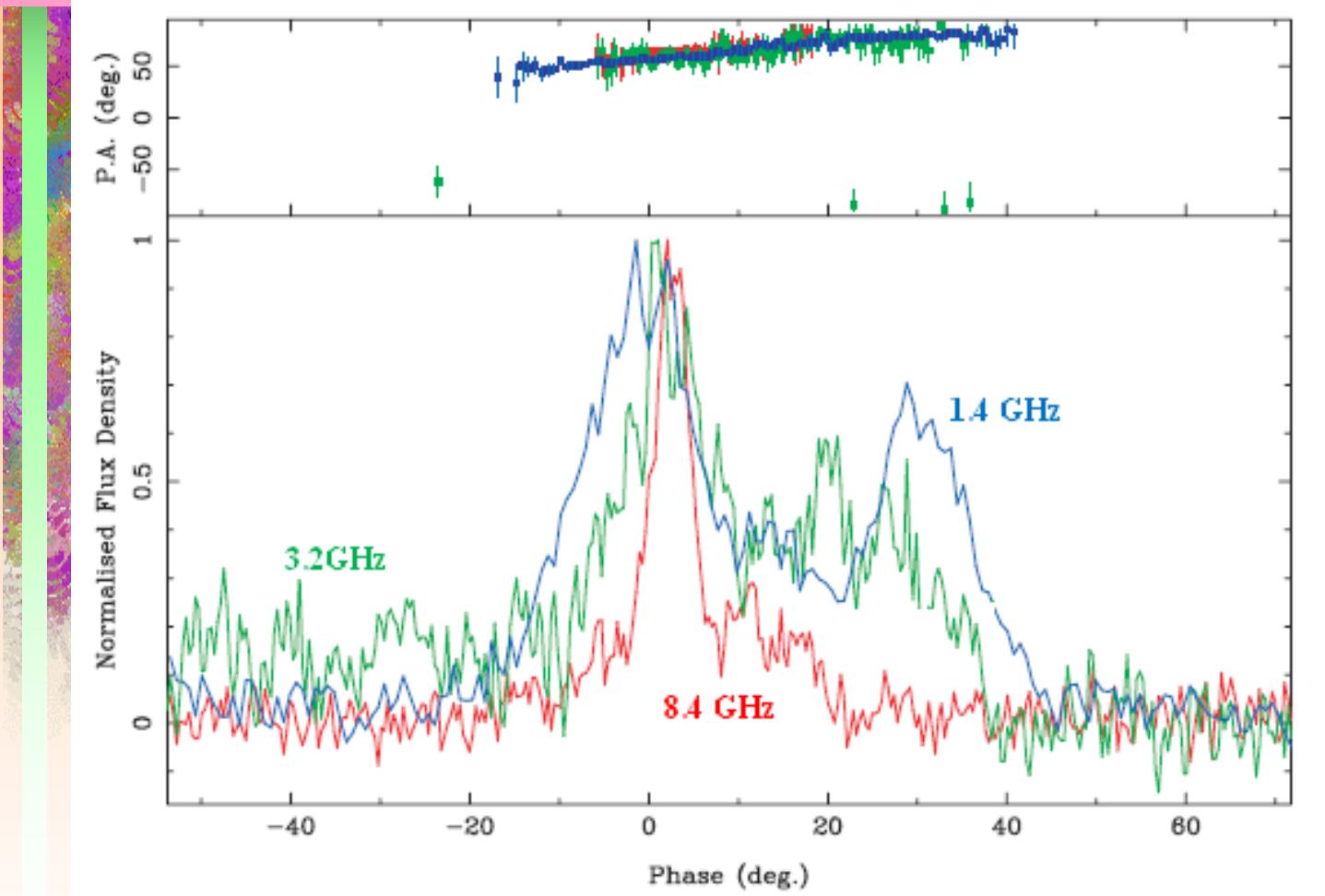
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# 1810-197: rotating vector model curves (RVM)



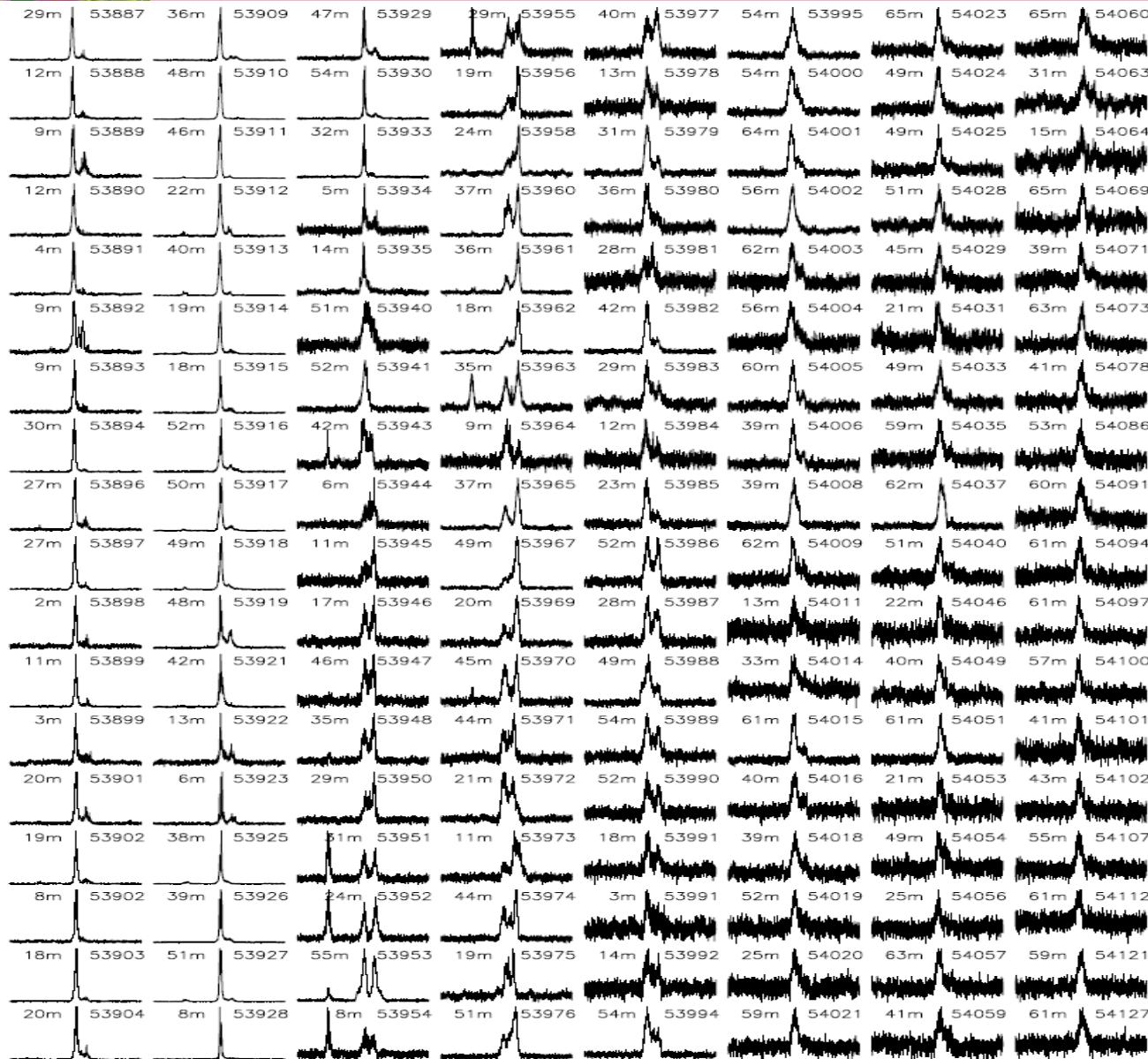
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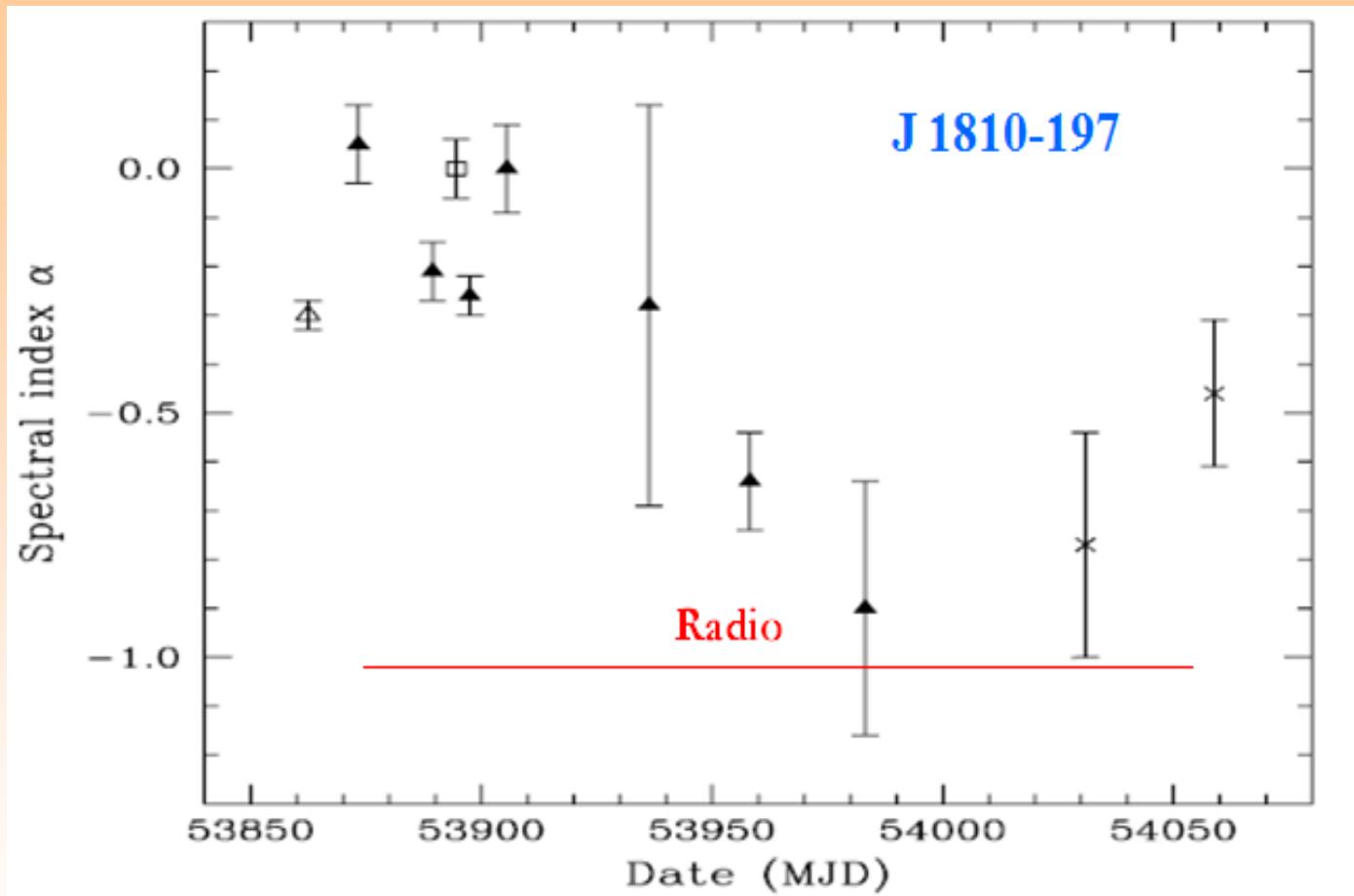
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- In what case have not radio emission?
- In what case have radio emission?
- In what case have pulsed radio emission?



Radio emission:  
**J1810-197 :**  
**Obs. June 1 2006**  
**To Jan. 27 2007**  
**Freq. 1.4GHz**  
**JD:53887-54091**

# J 1810-197: Spectral Indeces (1.4 GHz—8.5 GHz)



F. Camilo....ApJ., 669:561–569, 2007

# AXP XTE J1810–197: X-ray Obs.

XTE J1810–197 :

---first transient AXP.

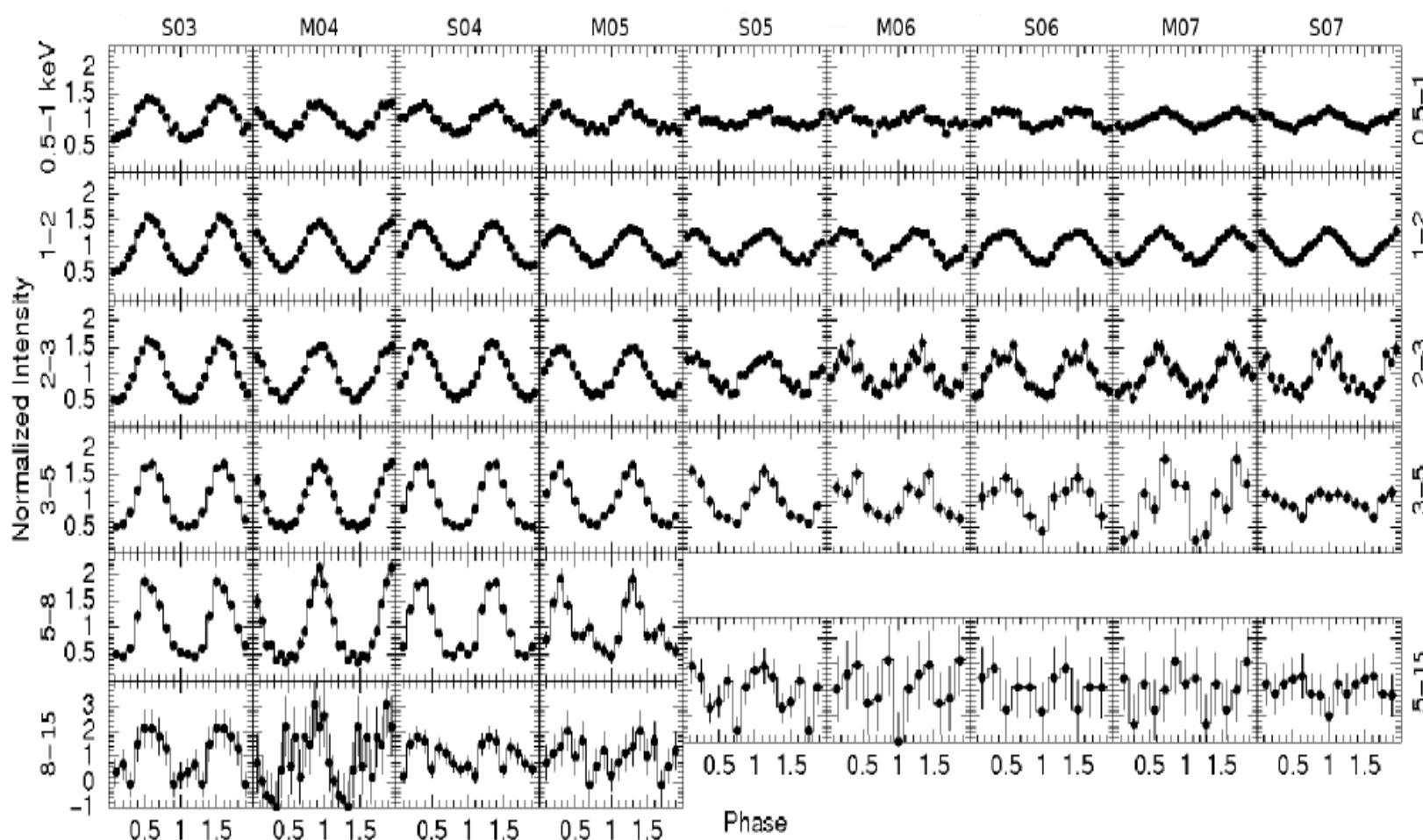
---highly variable X-ray flux

---timing and spectral variation

XMM–Newton obs. four yrs

**September 2003 – September 2007**

# 1810-197: X-ray obs. Sep. 2003 – Sep. 2007



Radio: JD:53887- -54091, Freq.1.4GHz  
Obs. June 1, 2006 To Jan. 27, 2007.

# AXP XTE J1810–197: X-ray Obs.

$$PF = (A_{\max} - A_{\min}) / (A_{\max} + A_{\min})$$

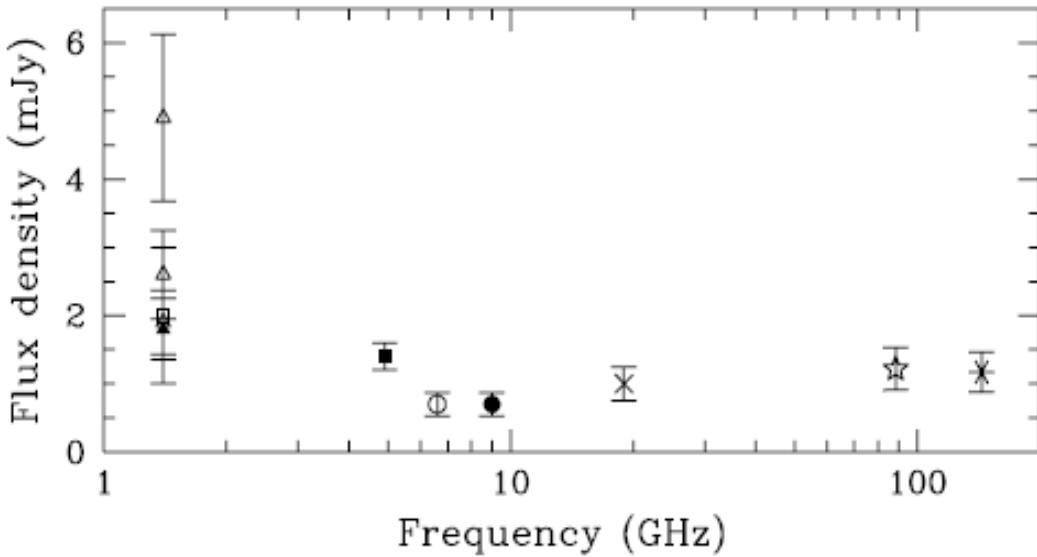
Sep. 2003 to Sep. 2007

---PF **decreased** in the 0.5 – 10 keV:

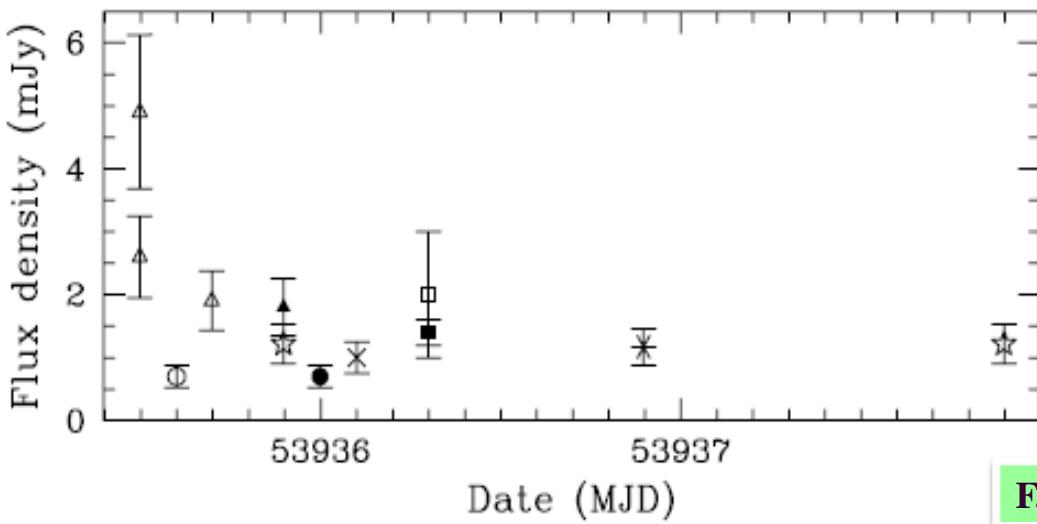
**~ 50% and ~ 25%**

---PF **decreases** as a function of **time** (same energy band)  
**increases** as a function of **energy** ( same obs.)

# J 1810-197

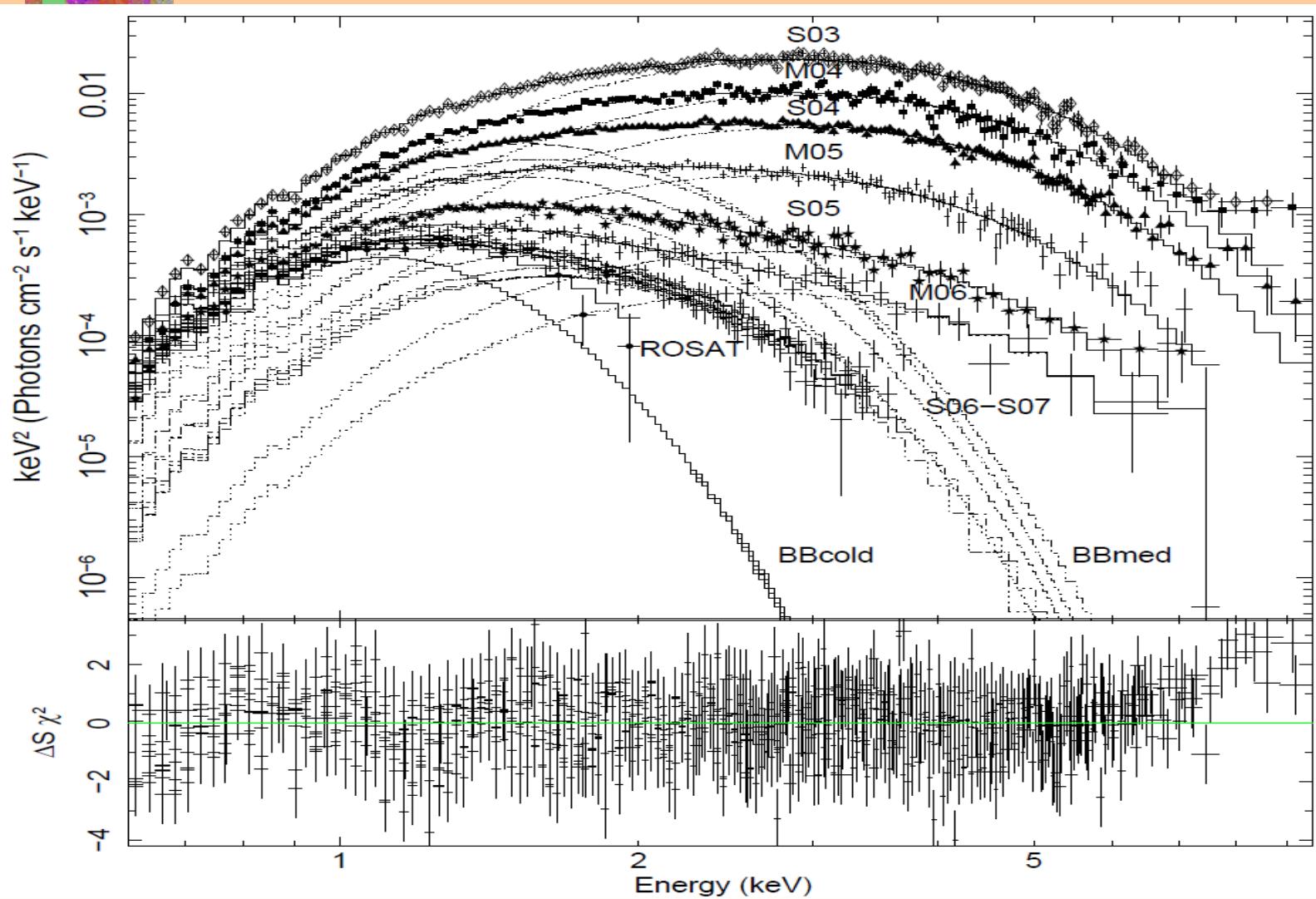


1.4–144 GHz  
Obs. 2.5days

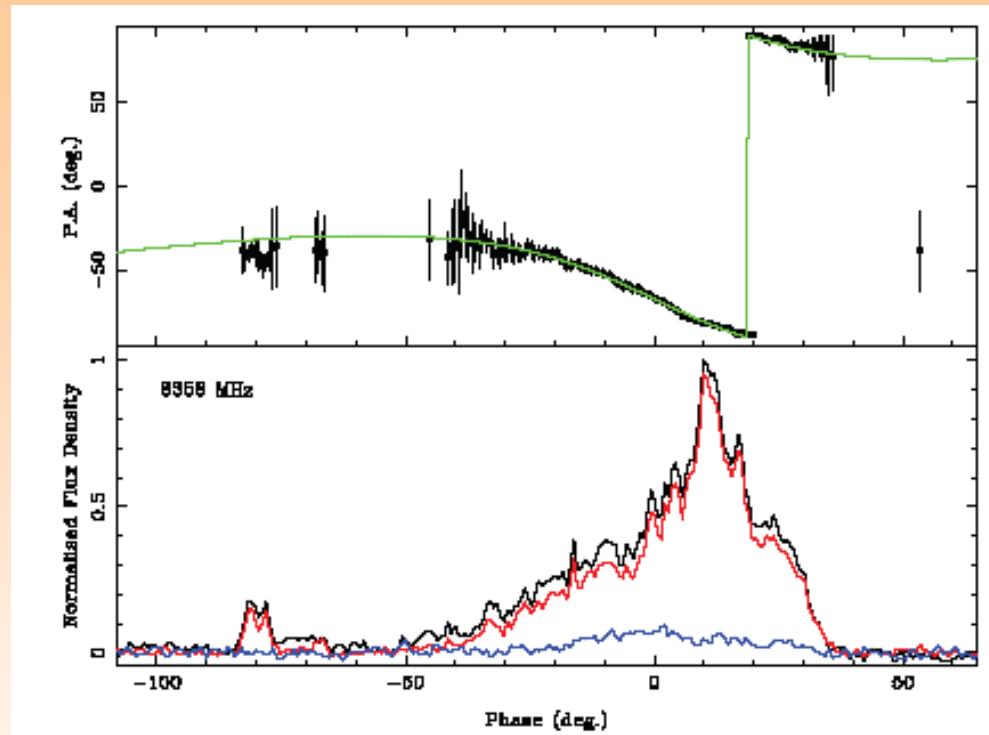
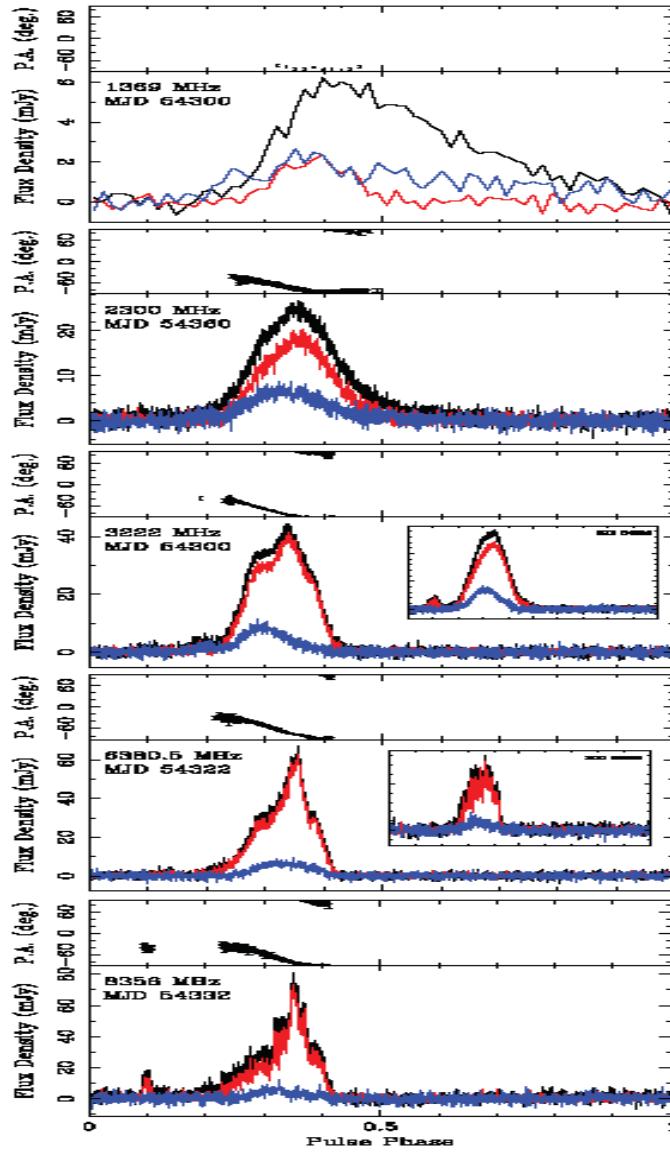


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# 1810-197: X-ray obs. Sep. 2003 – Sep. 2007



# Transient AXP 1E 1547.05408(PSR J15505418)

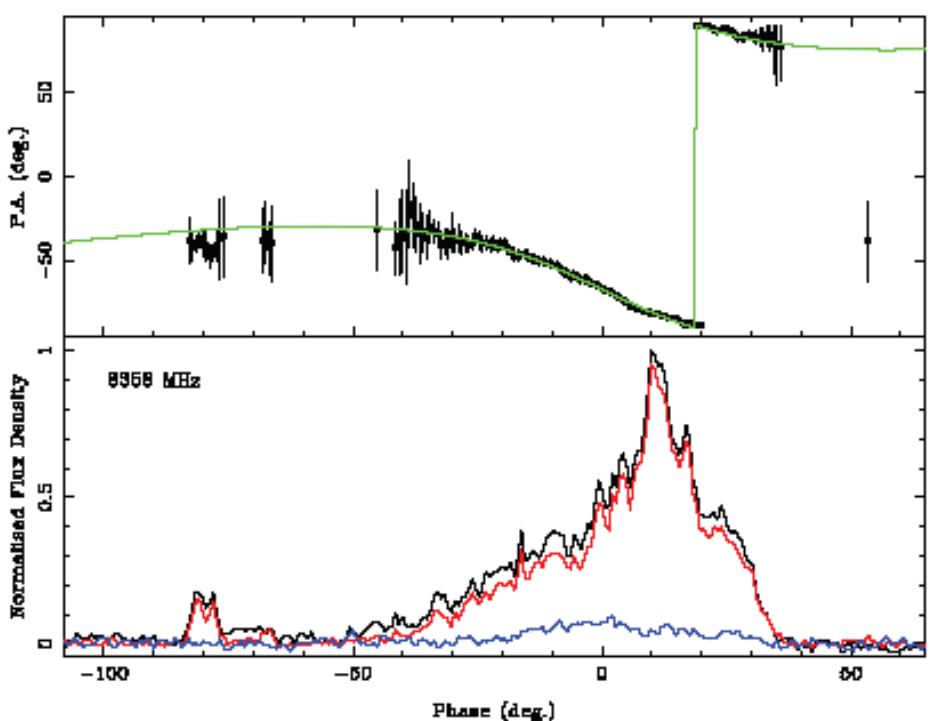


1.4–8.4 GHz.

8.4 GHz.

nearly 100% linearly polarized

# AXP 1E 1547.05408



No X-ray pulsations  
have been detected  
from it before.

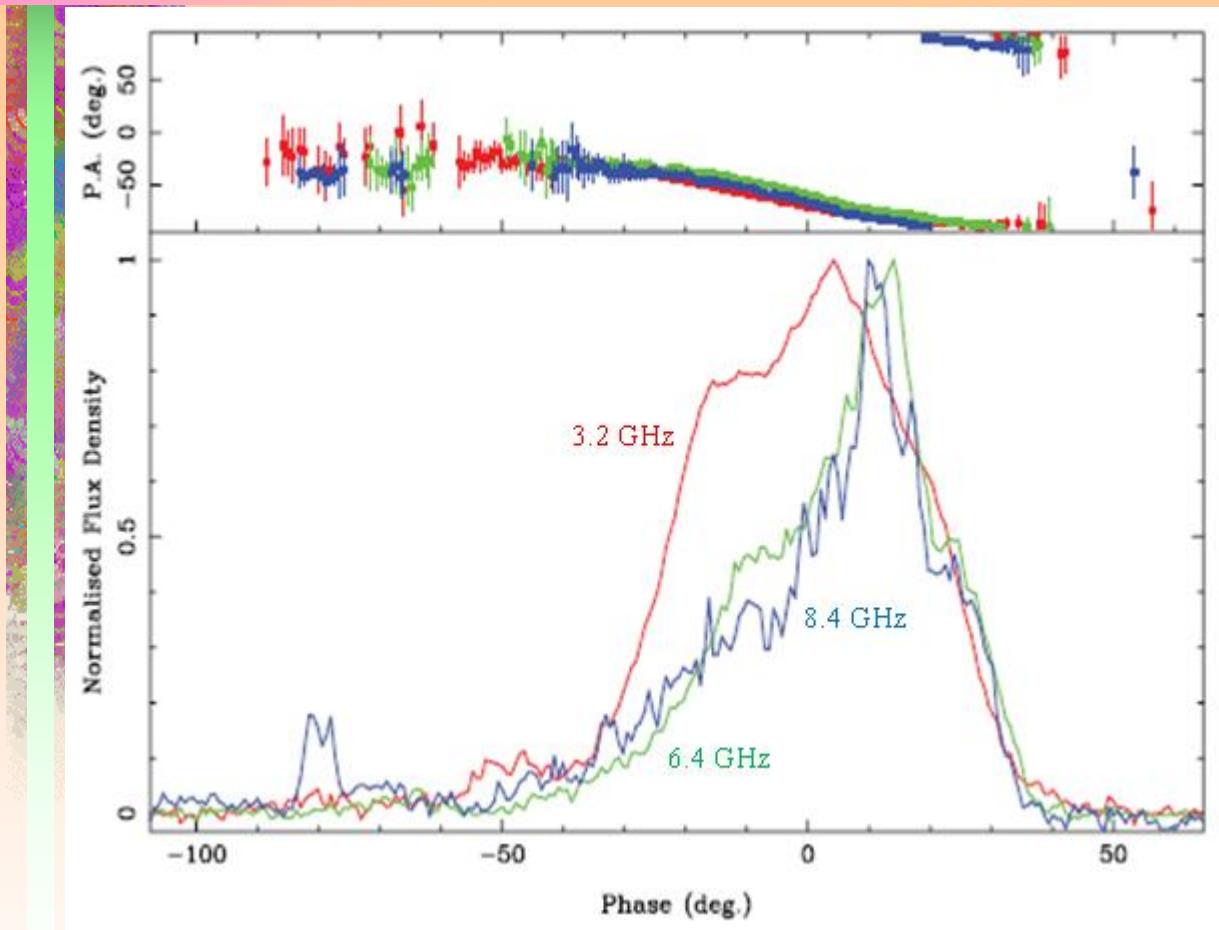
8.4 GHz  
PA: in RVM  
 $\alpha = 160^\circ$ ,  $\beta = 14^\circ$

Discorvered radio  
from 2007 June 8,  
Jun. 27, 2007  
JD 54091

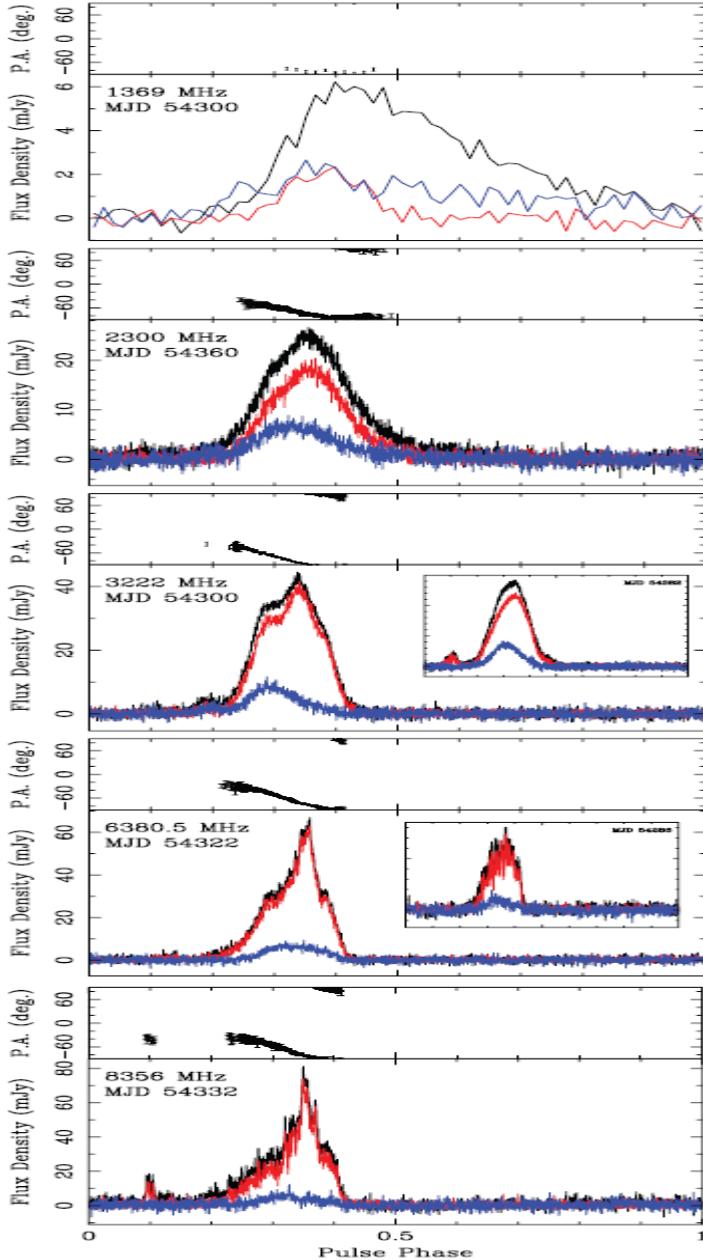
$P = 2.069$  s,  $B = 2.2 \times 10^{14}$  G,  
100% linearly polarized

Camilo et al. 2007,2008,ApJ.

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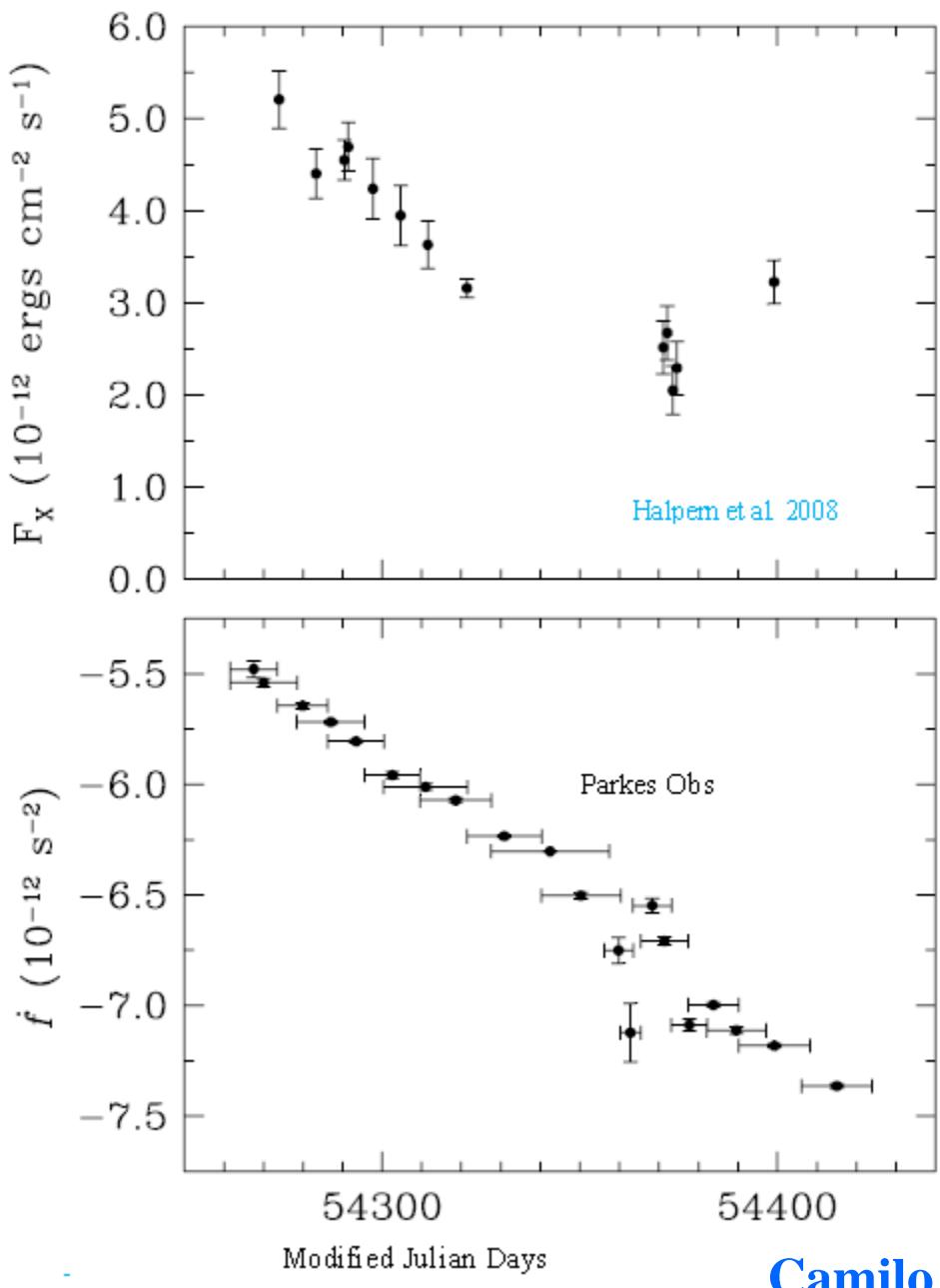


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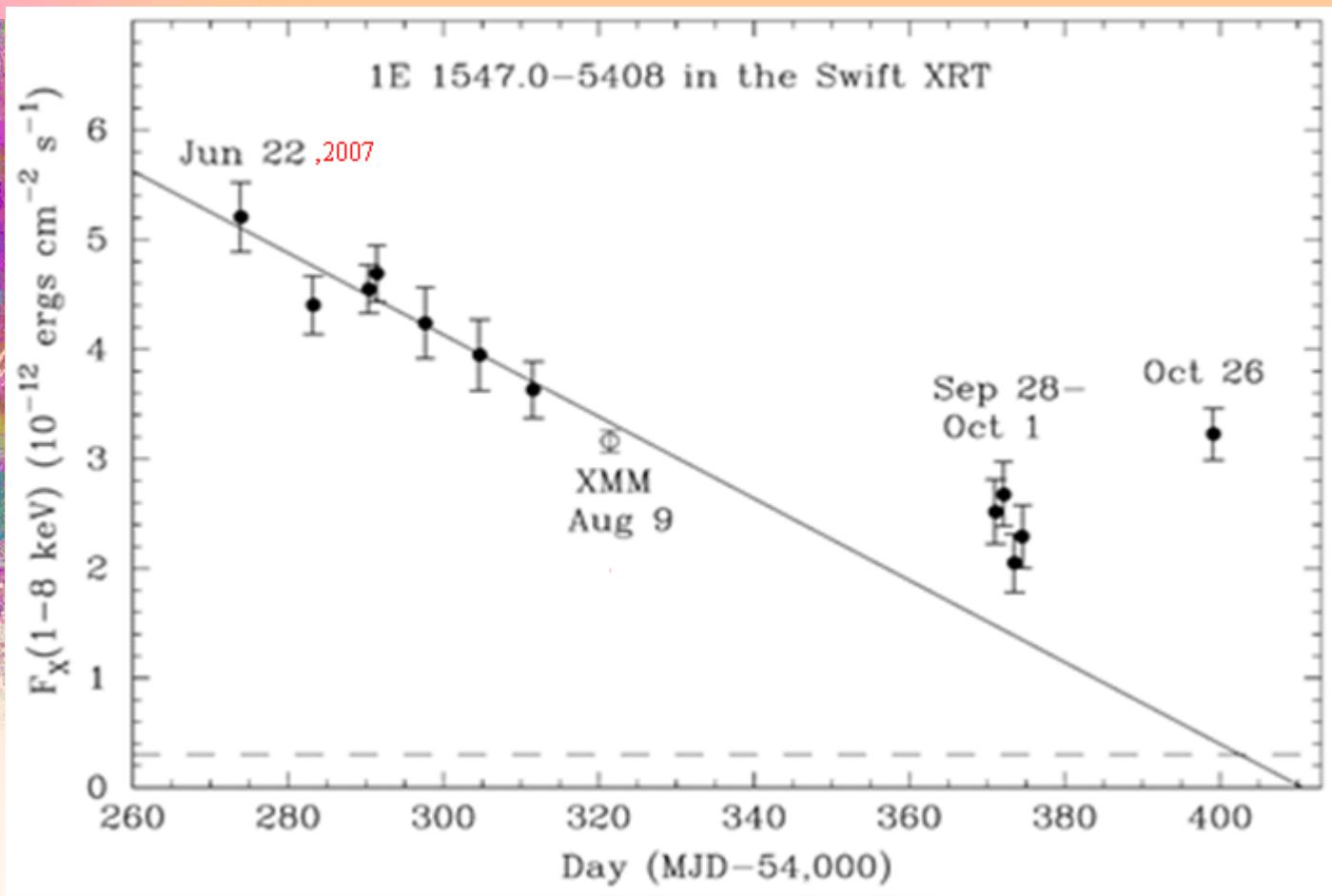


Camilo et al. ApJ.679,681,2008

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Camilo et al. ApJ.679,681,2008



Radio: detected from 2007 June 8  
Xray obs. Beween 2007 June 22 and 2007 August 9

X-ray historic minimum flux:  $3 \times 10^{-13}$  ergs cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>

Now high state,  $f_x(1\text{-}8 \text{ keV})$ :  $5 \times 10^{-12}$  ergs cm<sup>-2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup>

→  $L_x = 1.7 \times 10^{35} (d/9 \text{ kpc})^2$  ergs s<sup>-1</sup>

**declining by 25% in 1 month.**

From the decay: this outburst to  $10^{42}$  ergs < E <  $10^{43}$  ergs.

---**increase in the temperature and area of a hot region**, to

0.5 keV and ---16% of the surface of NS,

→ its **increase in luminosity**.

---The **energy, spectrum, and timescale of decay**

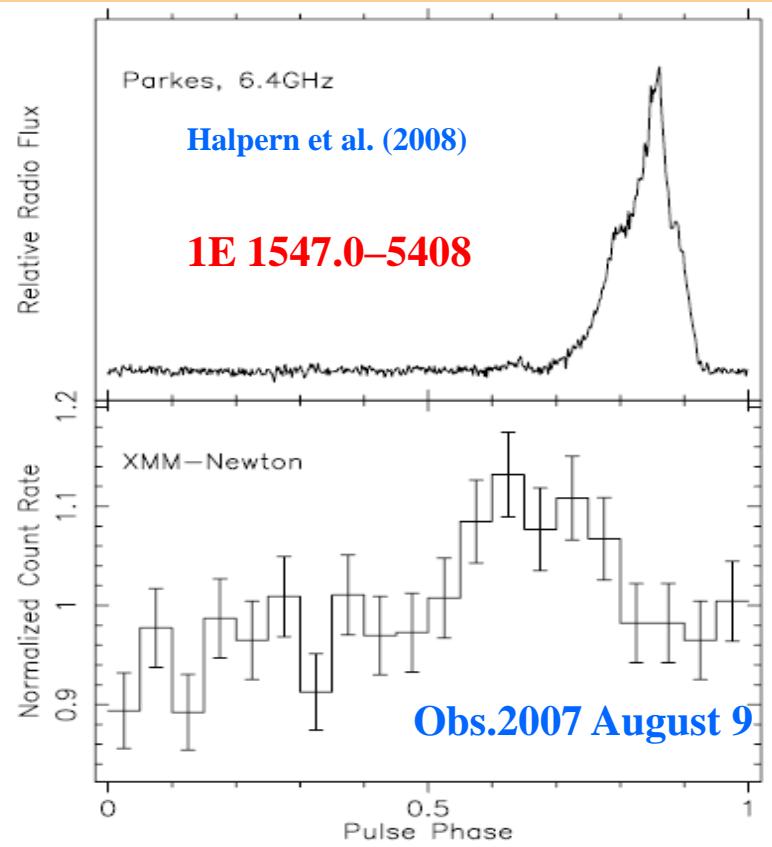
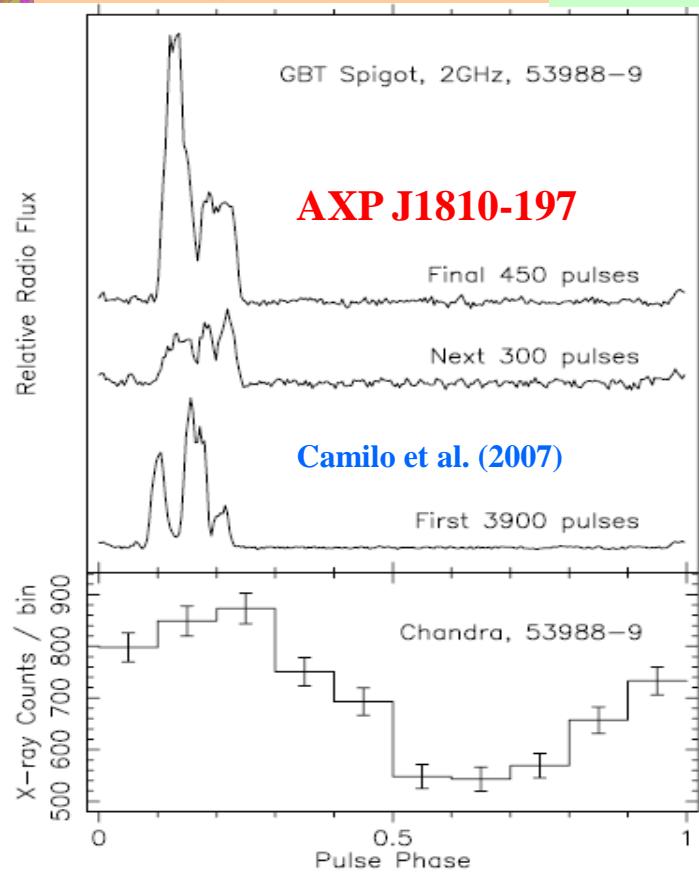
→ a deep **crustal heating** event

similar to an interpretation of the X-ray turn-on of the transient

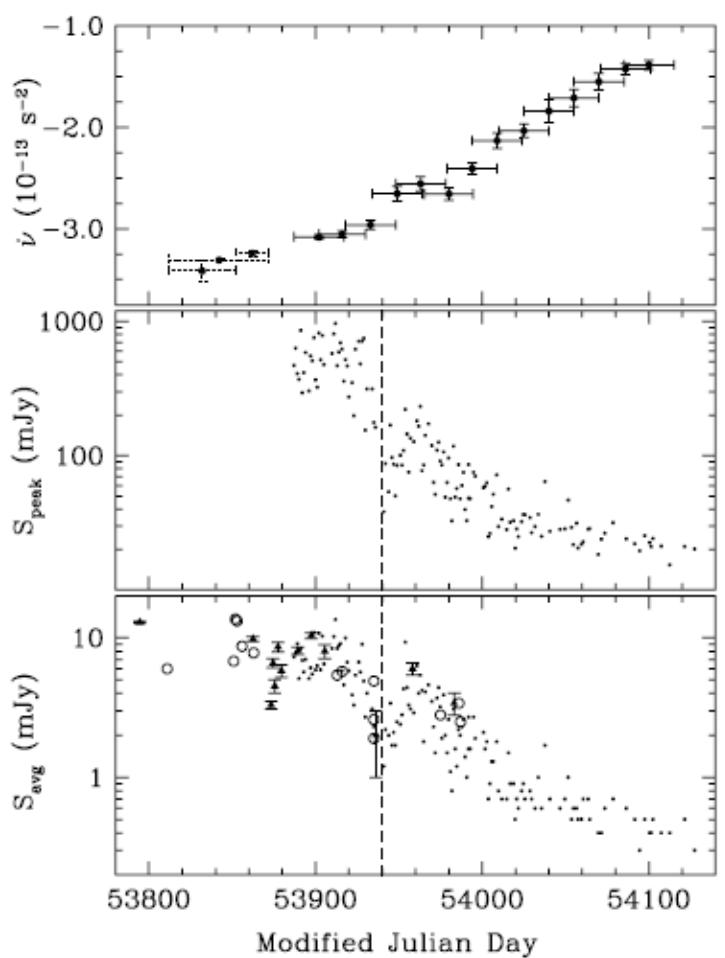
**AXP XTE J1810\_197.**

# Rough alignment between radio and X-ray arrival times

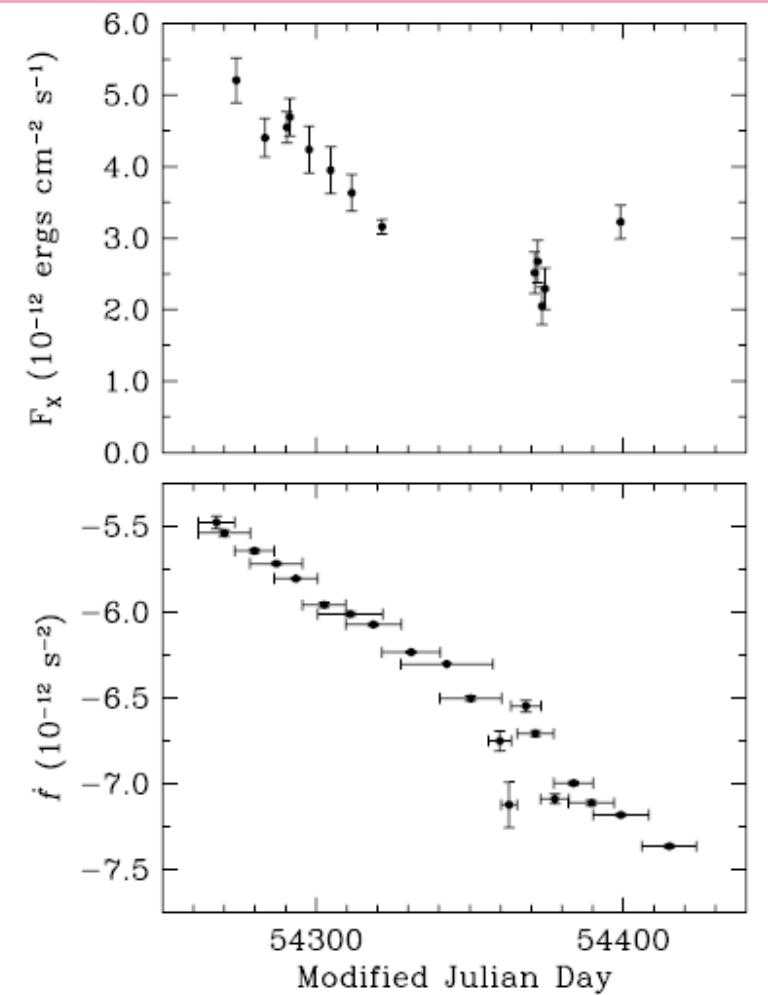
- which is unusual for pulsars!



1547, Radio: detected from 2007 June 8 ,  
Xray obs. Beween 2007 June 22 and July 30,  
pulsed fraction –only 7%



AXP J1810-197:



1E 1547.0–5408 : Camilo et al. (2008)

- Flat and changing flux **density** and **spectrum**
  - Large degree of timing noise (correlated with flux density?)
- =>correlation would be unusual for pulsars!

--Both detected radio-loud magnetars had previous X-ray burst

Pre-burst radio-observations did not find a source

--BUT, also examples for failed radio detection of AXPs after burst

(e.g. SGR 1627-41. Camilo & Sarkissian 2008),

--Magnetic field rearrangement may be responsible for radio switch on, hence(X-ray Burst) rearrangement may be necessary but not sufficient

(cf. Halpern et al. 2008)

# PSR J 1622-4950

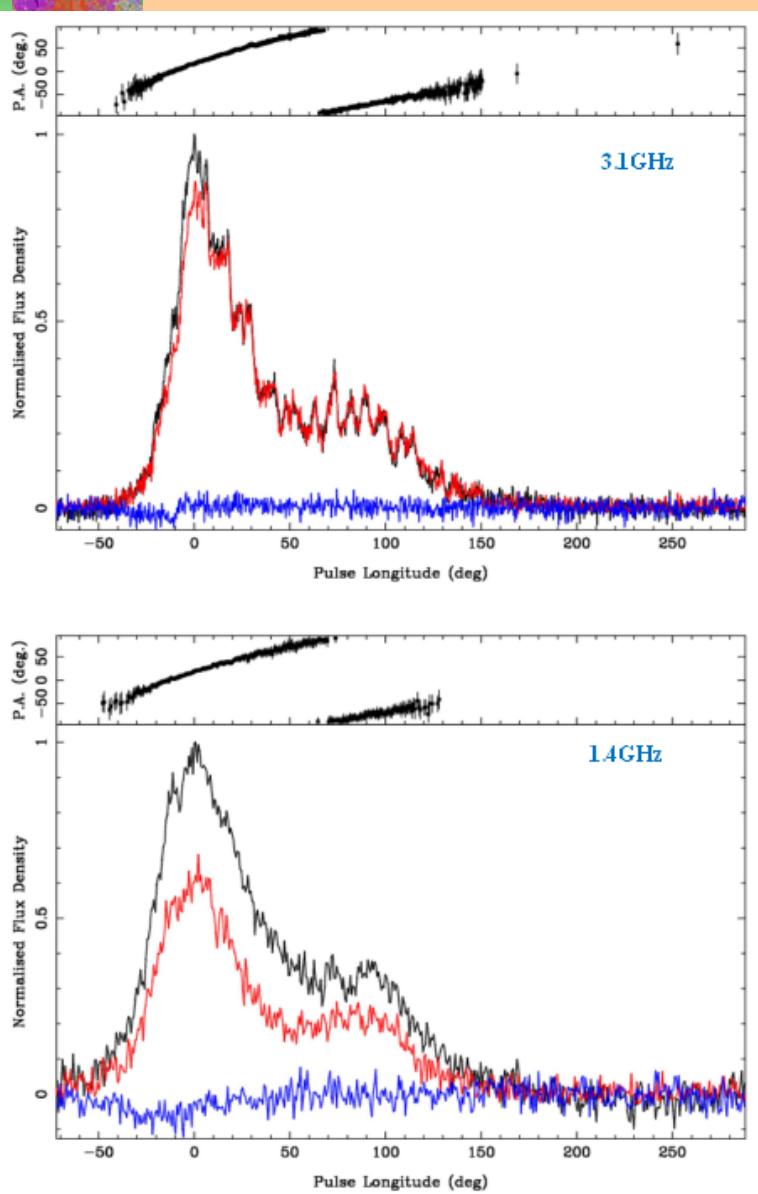


TABLE 1  
PARAMETER SUMMARY OF PSR J1622-4950.

Parameter	Value
Observed	
Right ascension (J2000) <sup>a</sup>	16 <sup>h</sup> 22 <sup>m</sup> 44 <sup>s</sup> .80(3)
Declination (J2000) <sup>a</sup>	-49° 50' 54" .4(5)
Galactic longitude <sup>a</sup>	333.85
Galactic latitude <sup>a</sup>	-0.10
Epoch	MJD 55080
Spin period ( $P$ )	4.3261(1) s
Period derivative ( $\dot{P}$ )	$1.7(1) \times 10^{-11} \text{ s s}^{-1}$
Dispersion measure ( $DM$ )	820(30) cm <sup>-3</sup> pc
Flux density at 1400 MHz ( $S_{1400}$ )	4.8(3) mJy
Rotation measure (RM)	-1484(1) rad m <sup>-2</sup>
Derived	
Distance <sup>b</sup>	$\approx 9$ kpc
Surface magnetic field ( $B$ )	$2.8 \times 10^{14}$ G
Characteristic age ( $\tau_c$ )	4 kyr
Spin down luminosity ( $\dot{E}$ )	$8.5 \times 10^{33}$ erg s <sup>-1</sup>
X-ray luminosity ( $L_X$ ) <sup>c</sup>	$2.5 \times 10^{33}$ erg s <sup>-1</sup>

Levin et al. astro-ph, 1007.1052

“Outburst” = bursts + flare (+ ...)

“Activity” often associated with timing events:

Every “outburst” accompanied by timing event

Converse not true

Kaspi,2009

# Magnetar?

- in such a strong B the radiation **output is highly anisotropic** but the observed ...
- cannot provide a satisfactory explanation for **burst duration**, time scale between bursts, synchrotron self absorption feature, and the **persistent x-ray** emission.
- **Radio emission ?**
- **Strong B ?**

# Magnetic field of magnetars ?

$$\dot{E} = -I\Omega\dot{\Omega} = \dot{E}_\mu$$

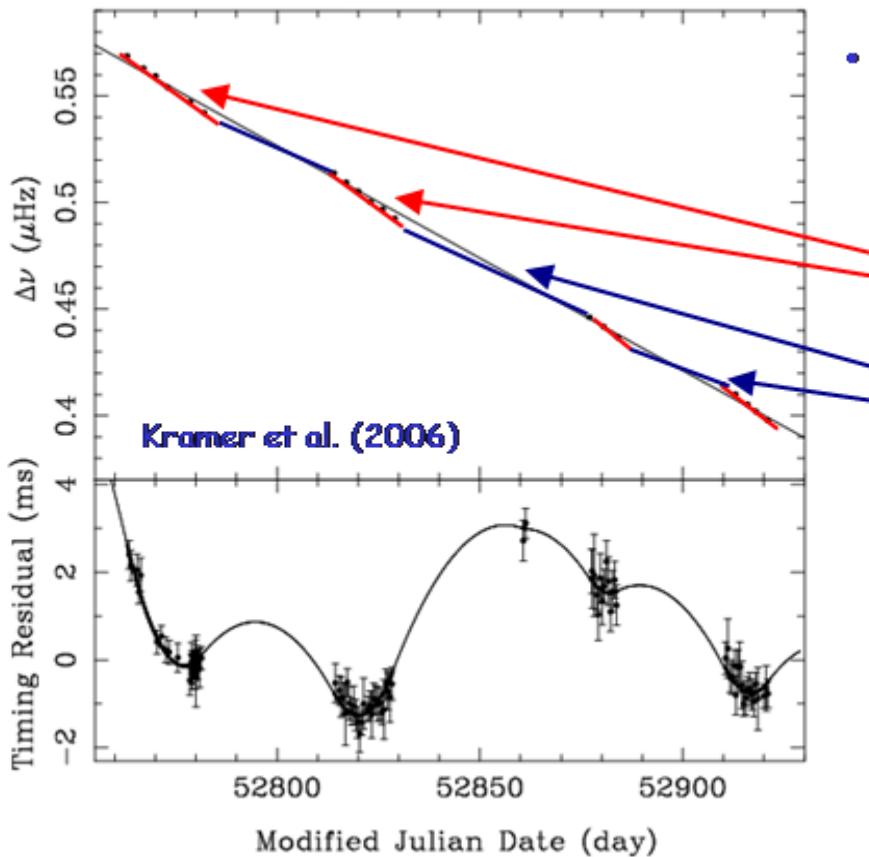
$$\Rightarrow B_s \approx 10^{14} - 10^{15} \text{ G}$$

$$\dot{E}_{rot} = 4\pi^2 I \dot{P} P^{-3} \ll L_X$$

$$-I\Omega\dot{\Omega} = \dot{E}_{p,r} + \dot{E}_\mu$$

$$\dot{E}_{p,r} \gg \dot{E}_\mu.$$

$$\Rightarrow B_s \approx 10^{14} - 10^{15} \text{ G}$$



- When on, pulsar spins down faster: additional torque!

$$\frac{d\nu}{dt} = -16.3(4) \times 10^{-15} \text{ Hz/s}$$

$$\frac{d\nu}{dt} = -10.8(2) \times 10^{-15} \text{ Hz/s}$$

$$\frac{\dot{\nu}_{on}}{\dot{\nu}_{off}} = 1.51 \pm 0.05$$

When on, spins down faster: additional torque!

Significant fraction of spin-down torque is also provided by particle wind and its current!

Magnetic field overestimated by (at least)  $\sqrt{1.5}$  or  $\sim 22\%$ .<sup>41</sup>

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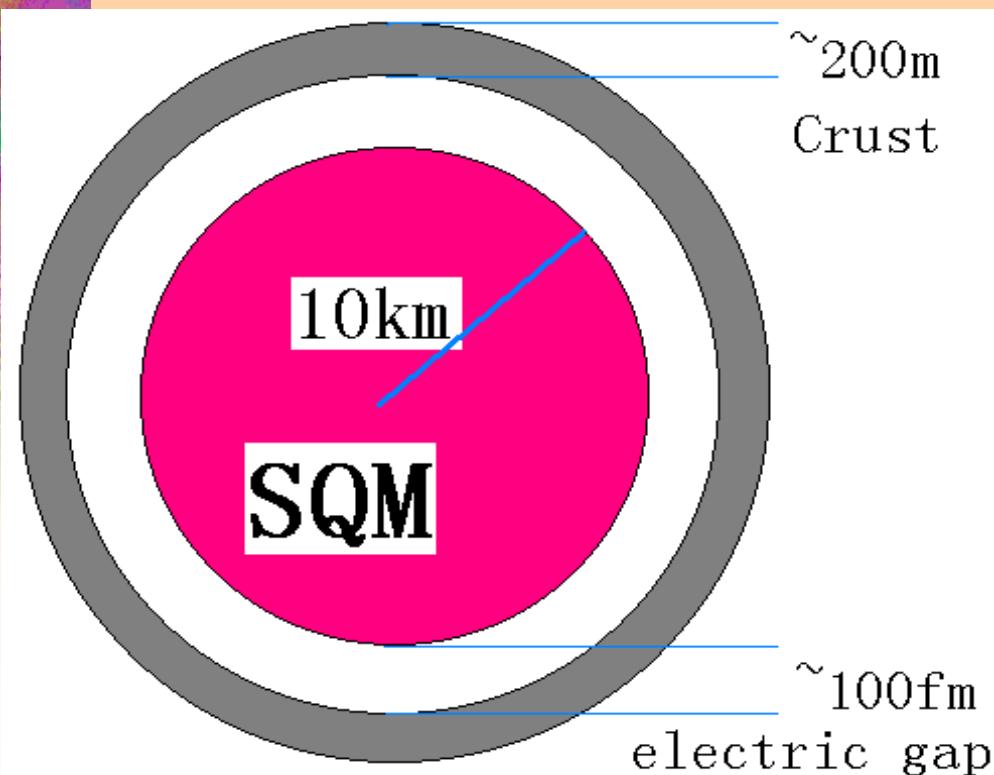
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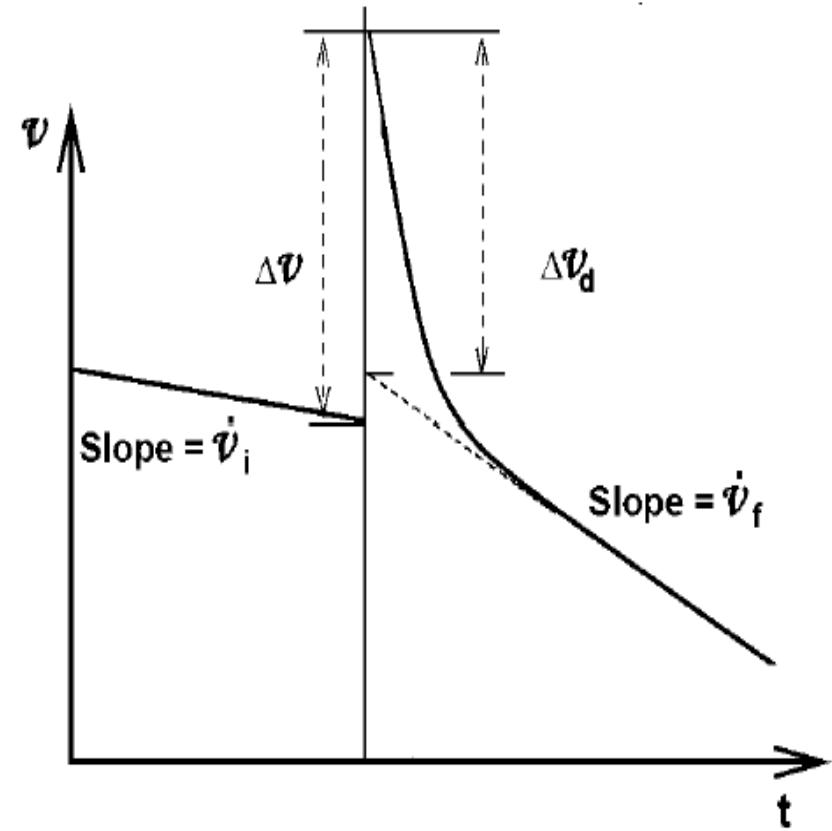
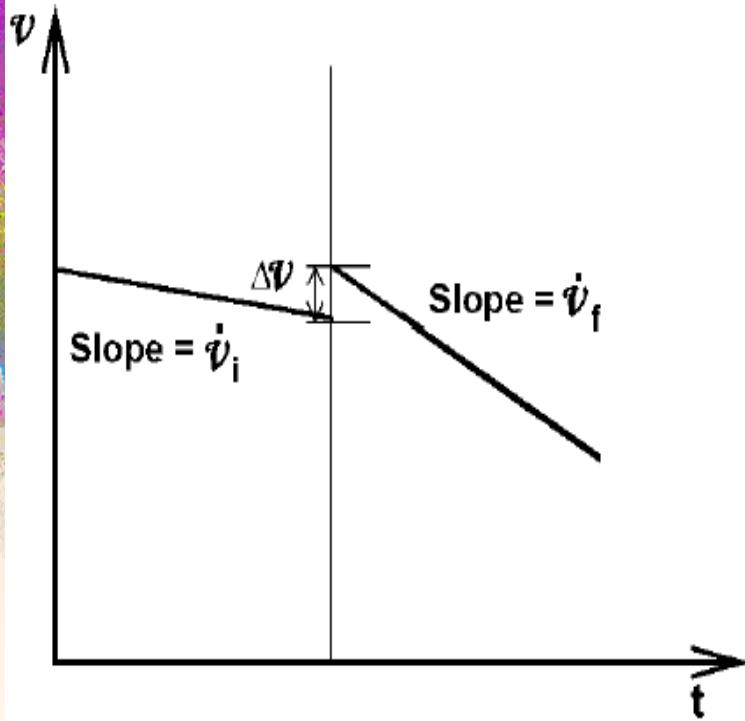
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$M_{\text{crust}} \quad 10^{-6} M_{\odot}$   
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 $10^{-5} M_{\odot}$

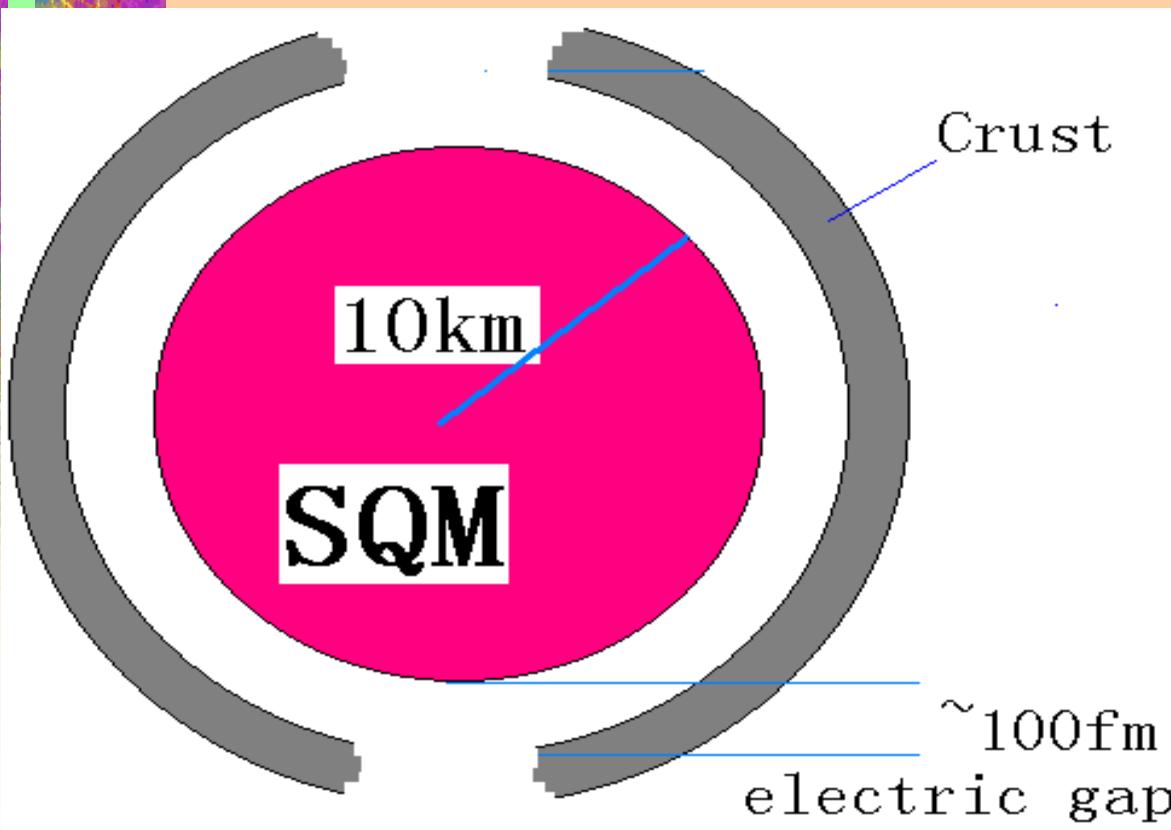
Cheng et al. 1998  
Xu et al. 2006

# Glitches



Standard model: interior faster-spinning crustal superfluid transfers angular momentum to crust.

# SGR & AXPs : Magnetars or Quark Stars?



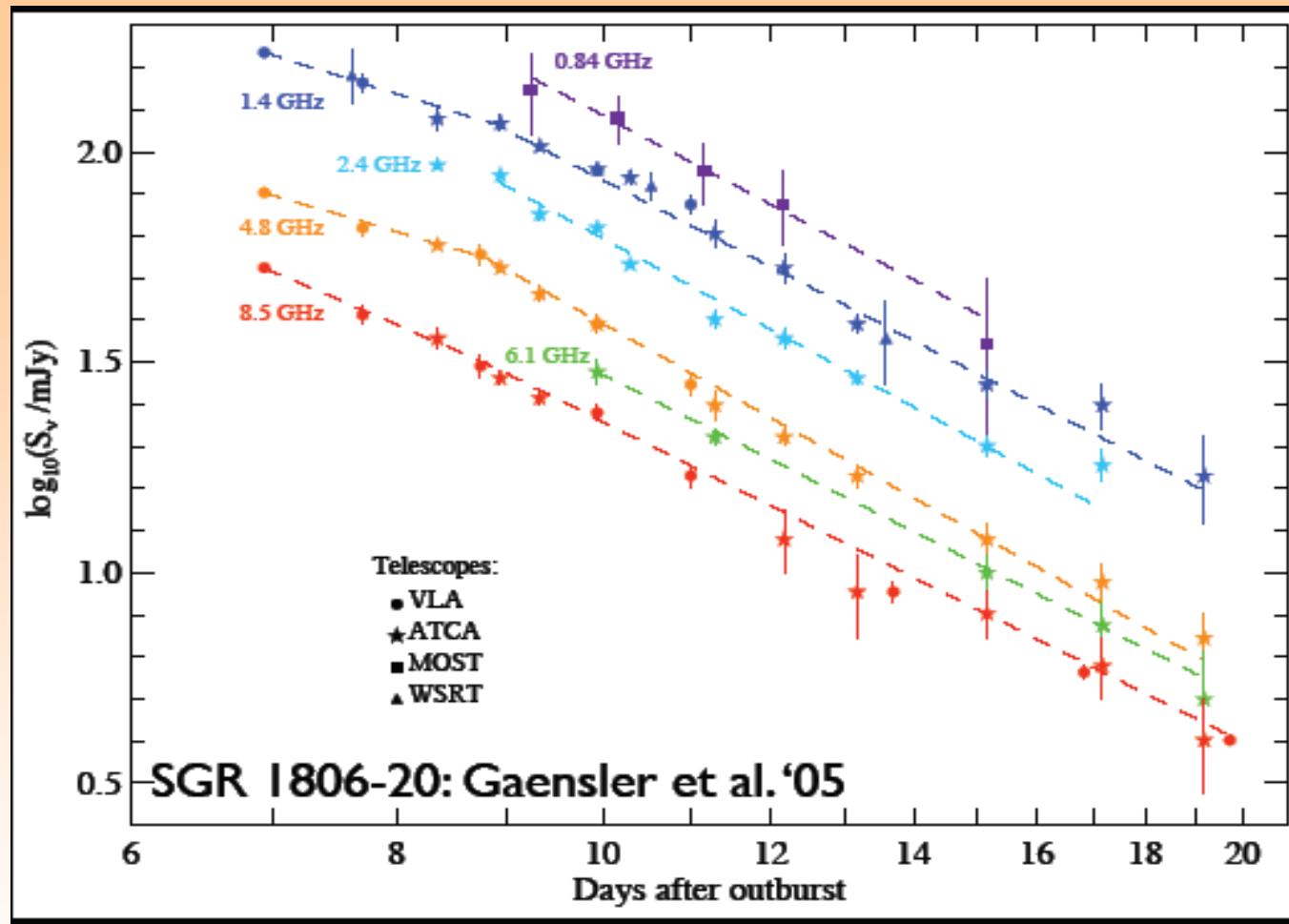
$M_{\text{crust}}$   $10^{-6} M_{\odot}$   
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# AXP&SGR



NAME	P (s)		RADIO	IR	OPTICAL	X SOFT	X HARD
CXO J0110-72	8.0	SMC				P	
4U 0142+61	8.7			D	P	P	P
1E 1048-59	6.4			D	P	P	D
1E 1547-54	2.1	G327.24-0.13	P	D		PT	
CXO J647-45	10.6	Westerlund 1				PT	
RXS 1708-40	11.0			D?		P	P
XTE J1810-197	5.5		P	D		PT	
1E 1841-045	11.8	Kes 73		D?		P	P
AX J1845-02	7.0	G29.6+0.1				PT	
1E 2259+586	7.0	CTB 109				P	
SGR 0501+45	5.7		T	D		PT	P
SGR 0526-66	8	LMC , N49				P	
SGR 1627-41	2.6					PT	
SGR 1806-20	7.6	Star cluster	T	D		P	D
SGR 1900+14	5.2	Star cluster	T	D?		P	D

# AXP&SGR



Relativistic outbursts seen as radio transients from giant flares (Frail et al.' 98; Cameron et al. '05; Gaensler et al. '05)

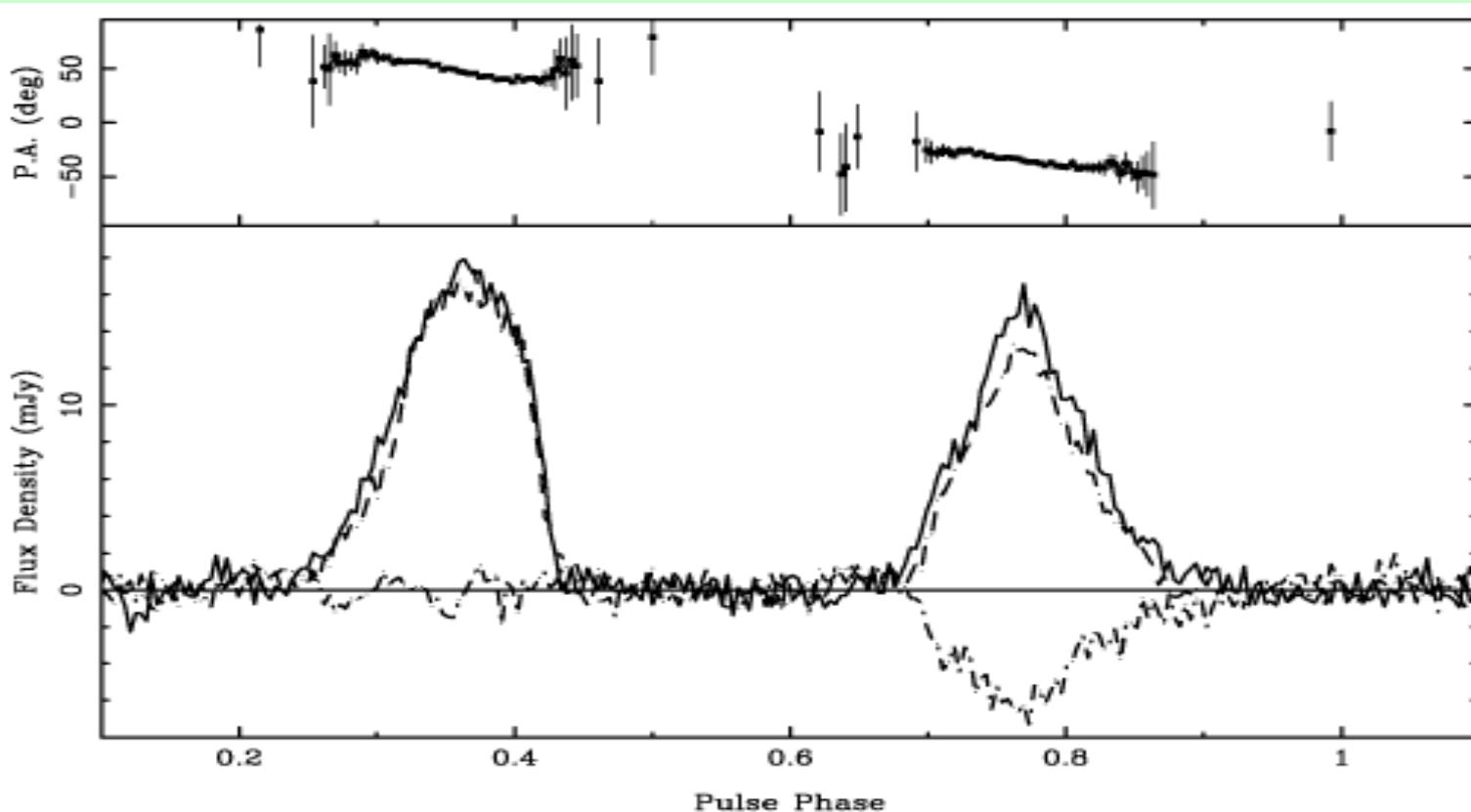
# XTE J1810-197: No pulsed radio radiotion

IMAGING OBSERVATIONS OF AXPs AT 1.4 GHz

Source	$F_\nu$ (mJy)	$d$ (kpc)	$F_\nu d^2$ (mJy kpc <sup>2</sup> )	Ref.
4U 0142+61 .....	<0.16	3	<1.4	1
1E 1048.1-5937 .....	...	2.7	...	2
1RXS J170849.0-400910 .....	<1.8	5	<45	1
XTE J1810-197 <sup>a</sup> .....	$4.5 \pm 0.5$	2.5	28	3
1E 1841-045 .....	<0.36	7	<18	4
AX J1844.8-0256 <sup>a</sup> .....	<0.5	~8	<32	3
1E 2259+586 .....	<0.050	3	<0.45	5, 6

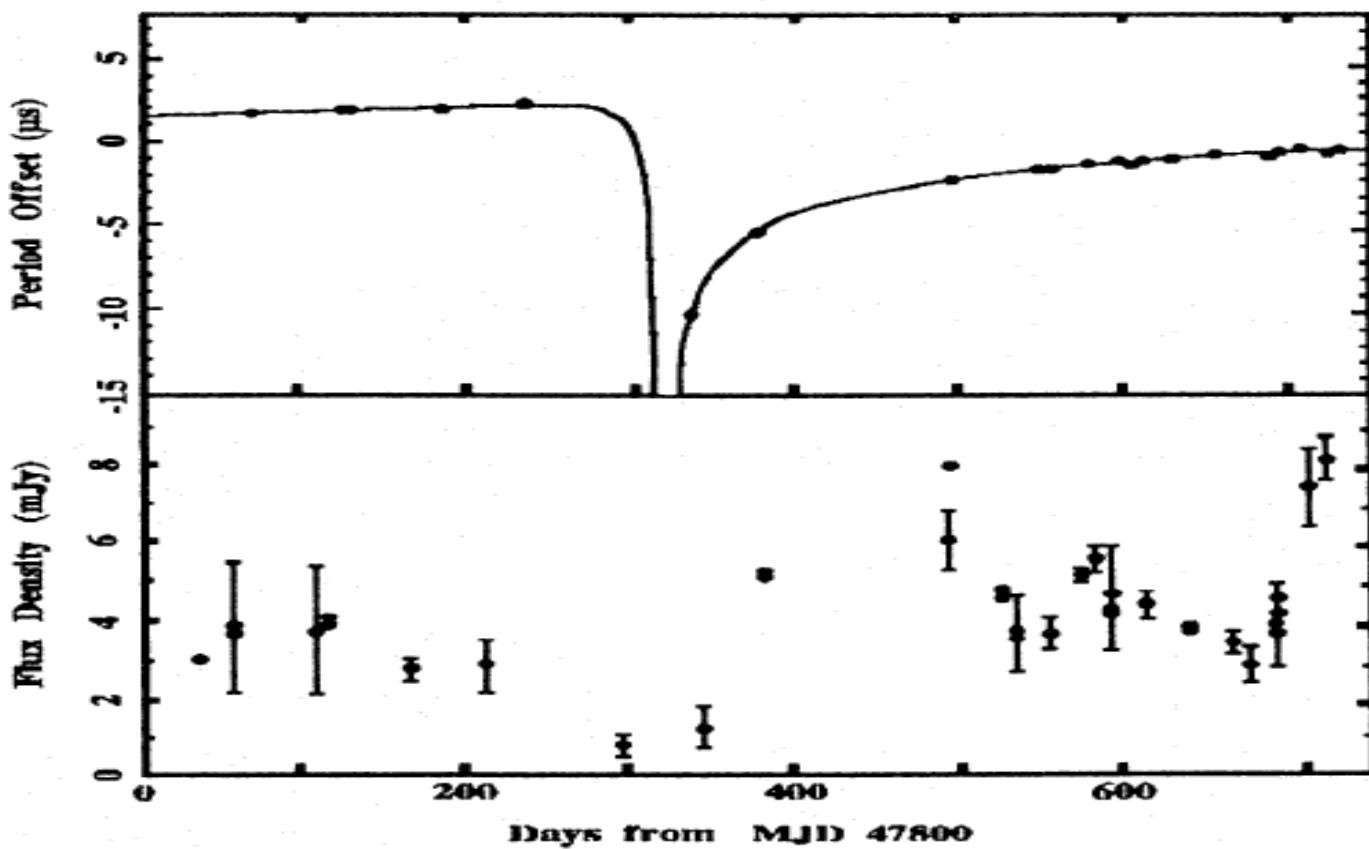
Halpern et al. 2005

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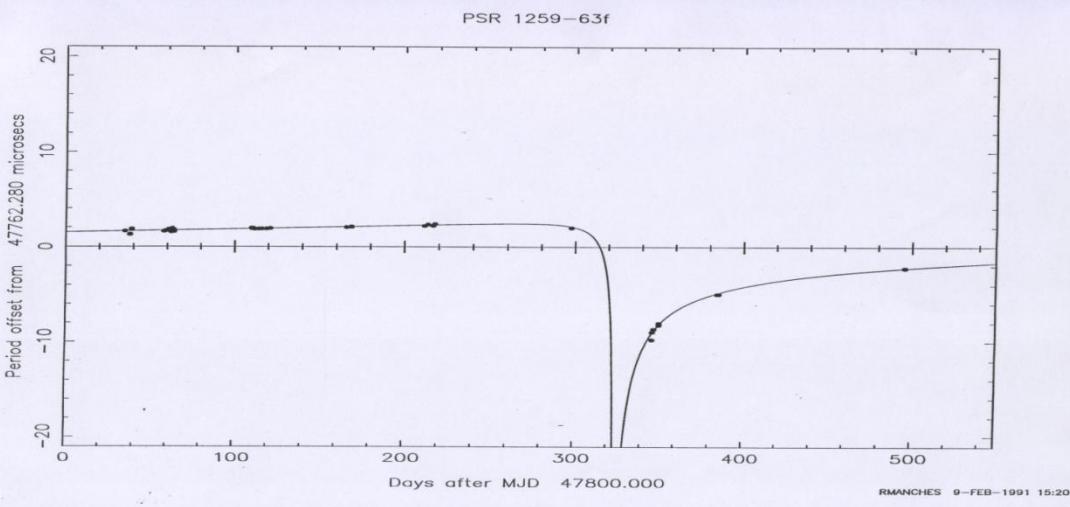
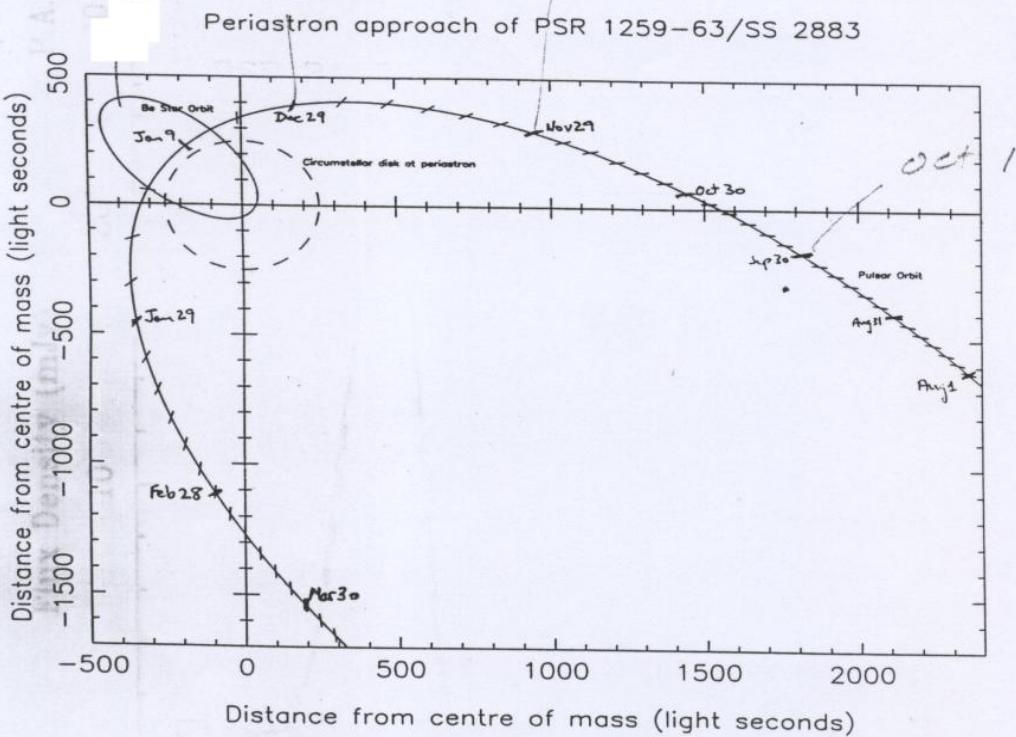


**Figure 1.** Mean pulse profile at 1.4 GHz. Position angle is shown on top, and the total intensity (solid line), linear (dashed line) and circular (dash-dot line) polarizations are shown in the bottom panel.

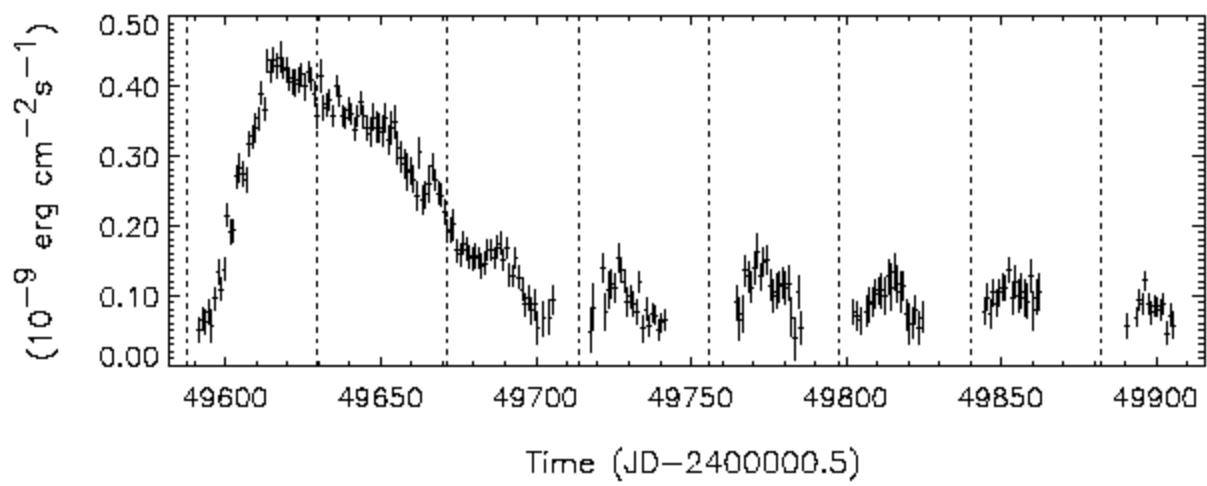
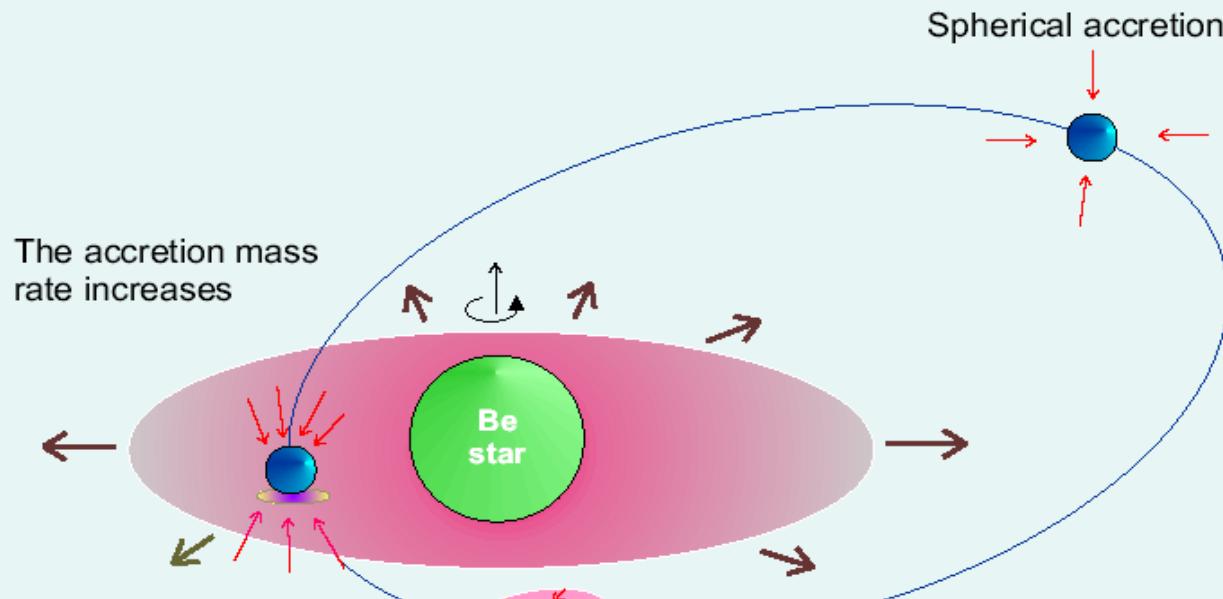
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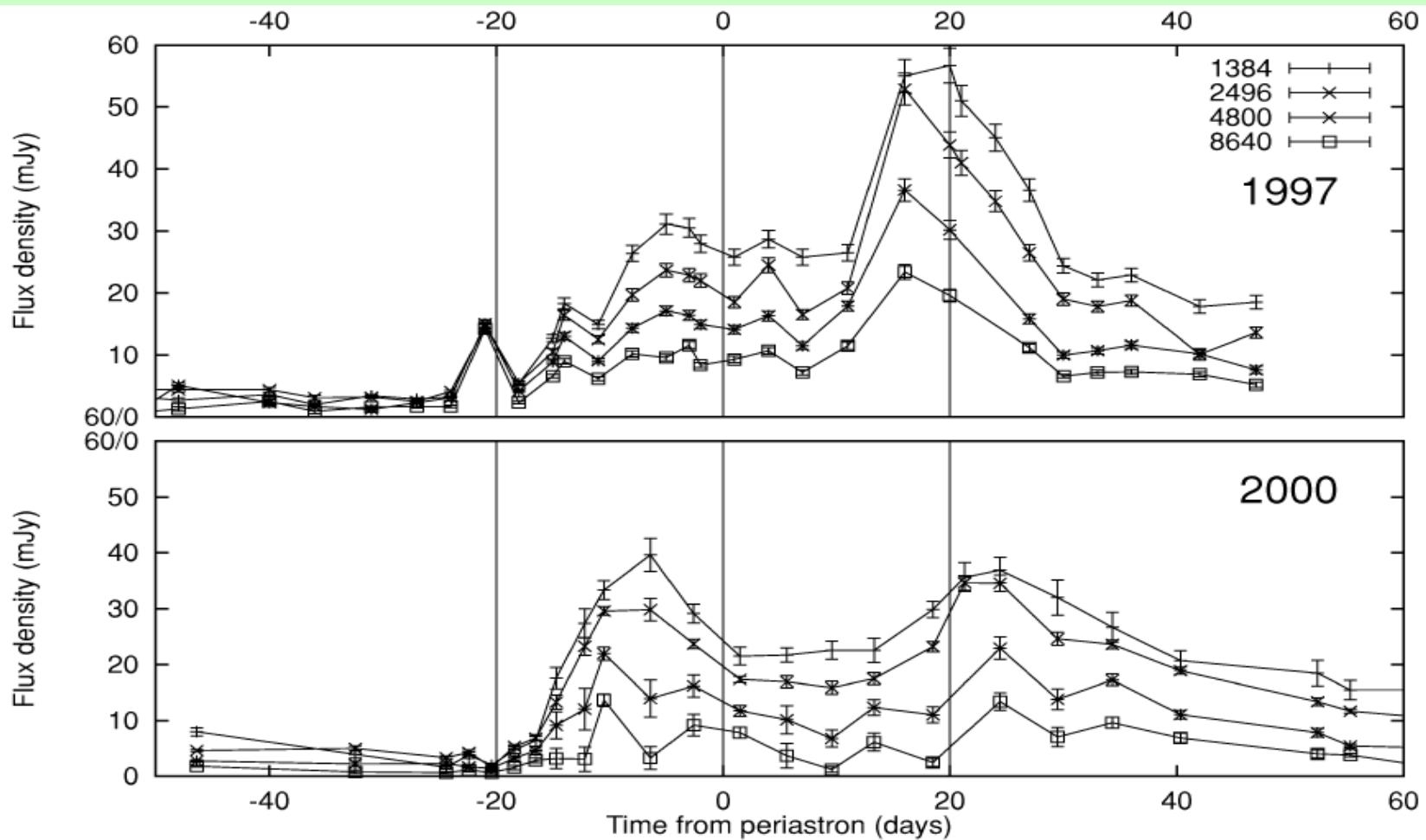


# Sketch of a Be/X-ray binary



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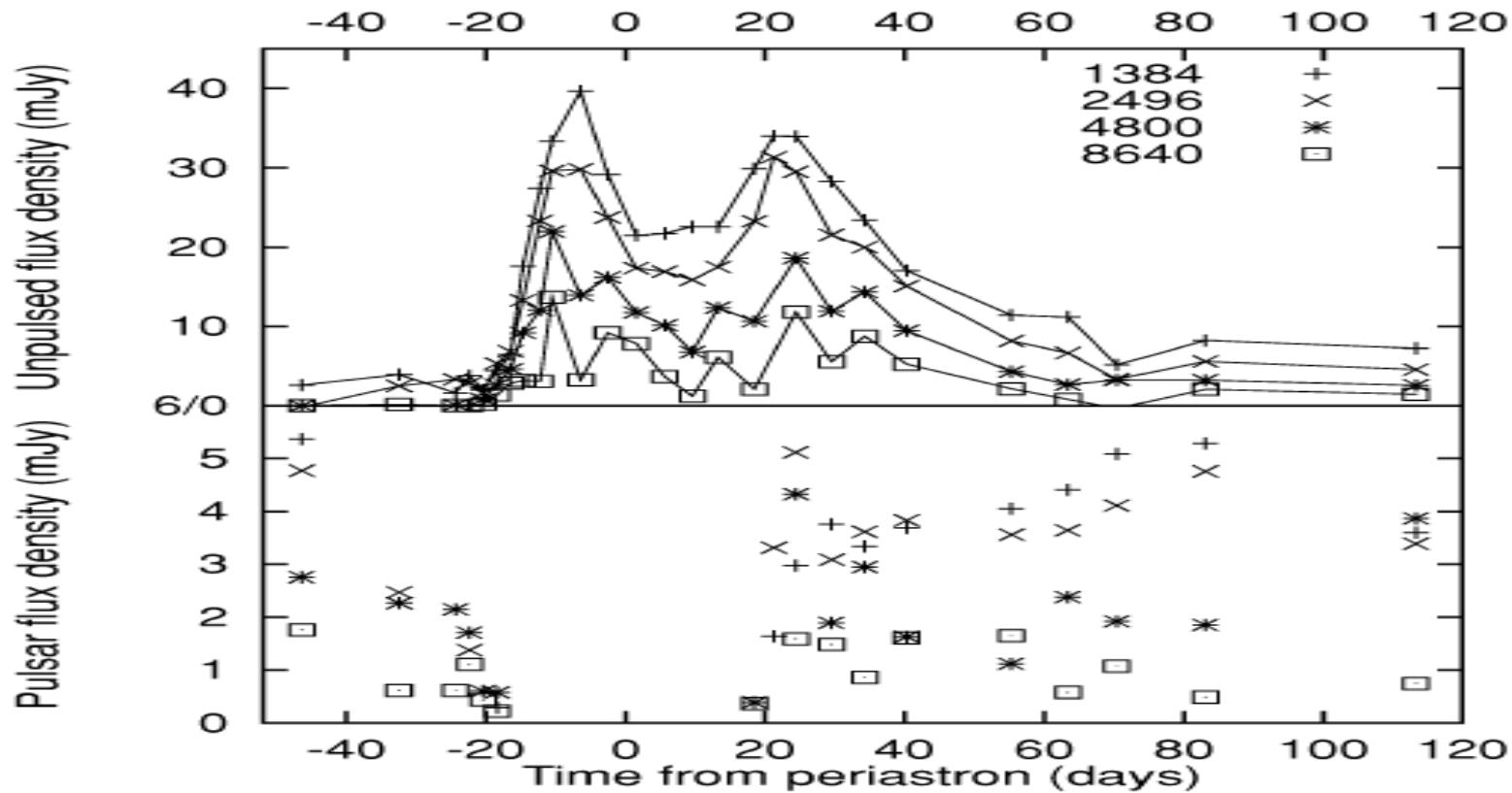
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Pulsed + Unpulsed

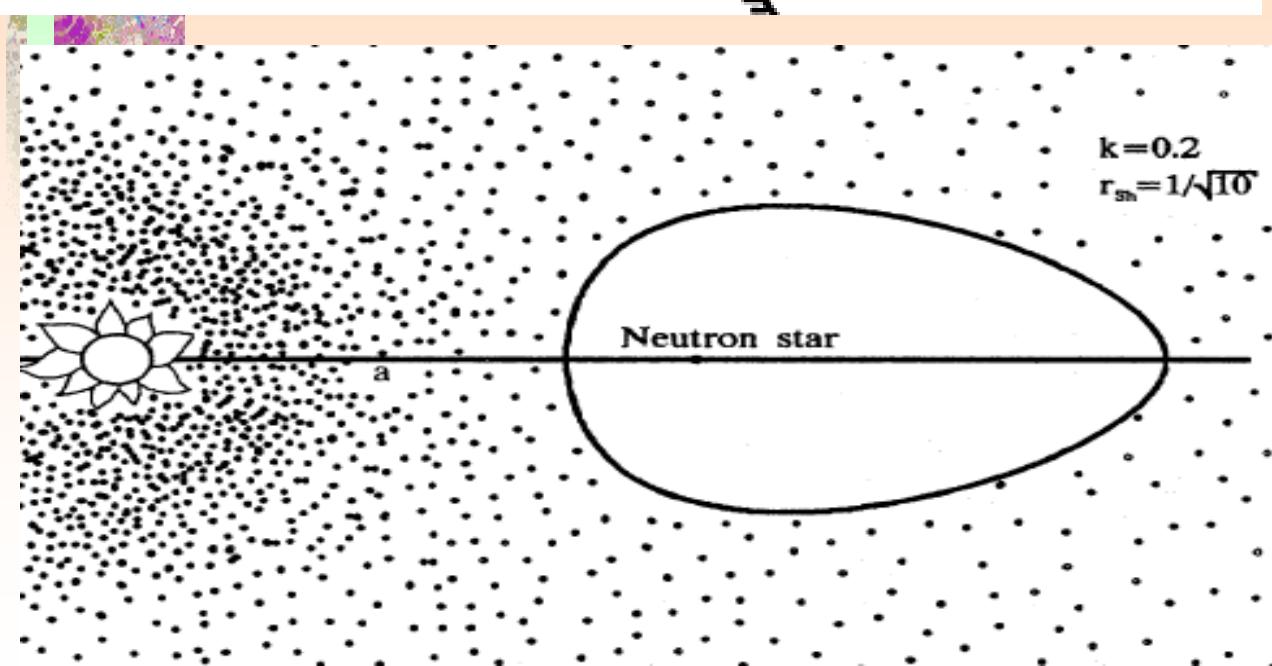
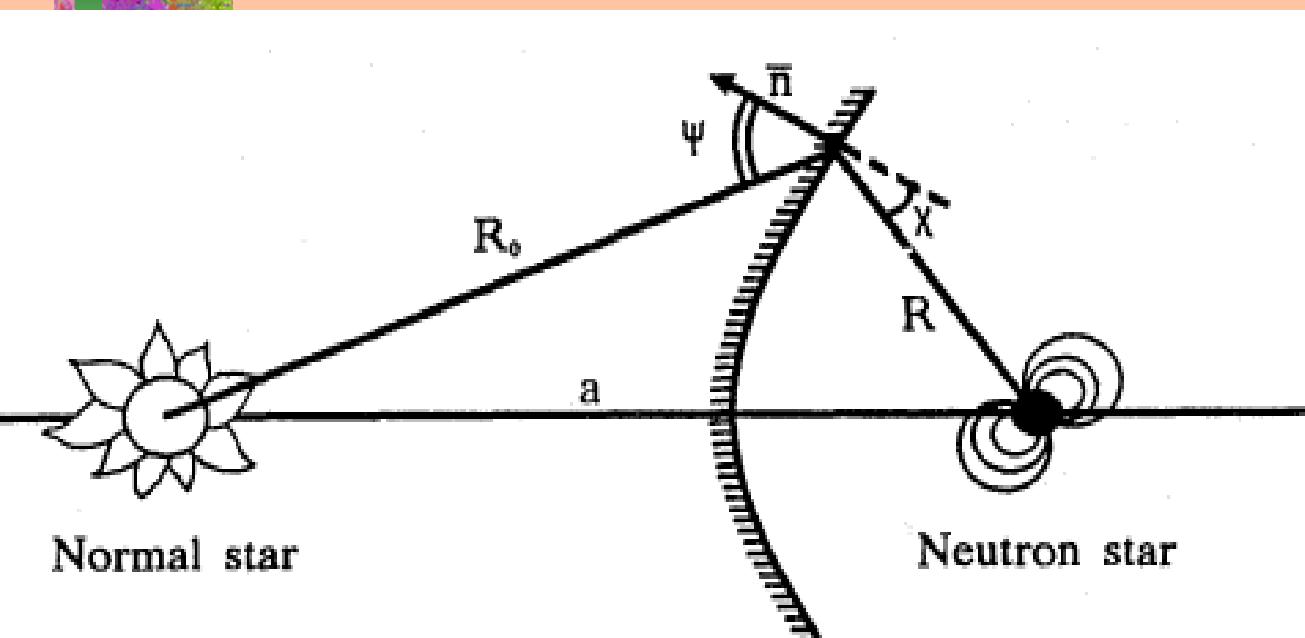
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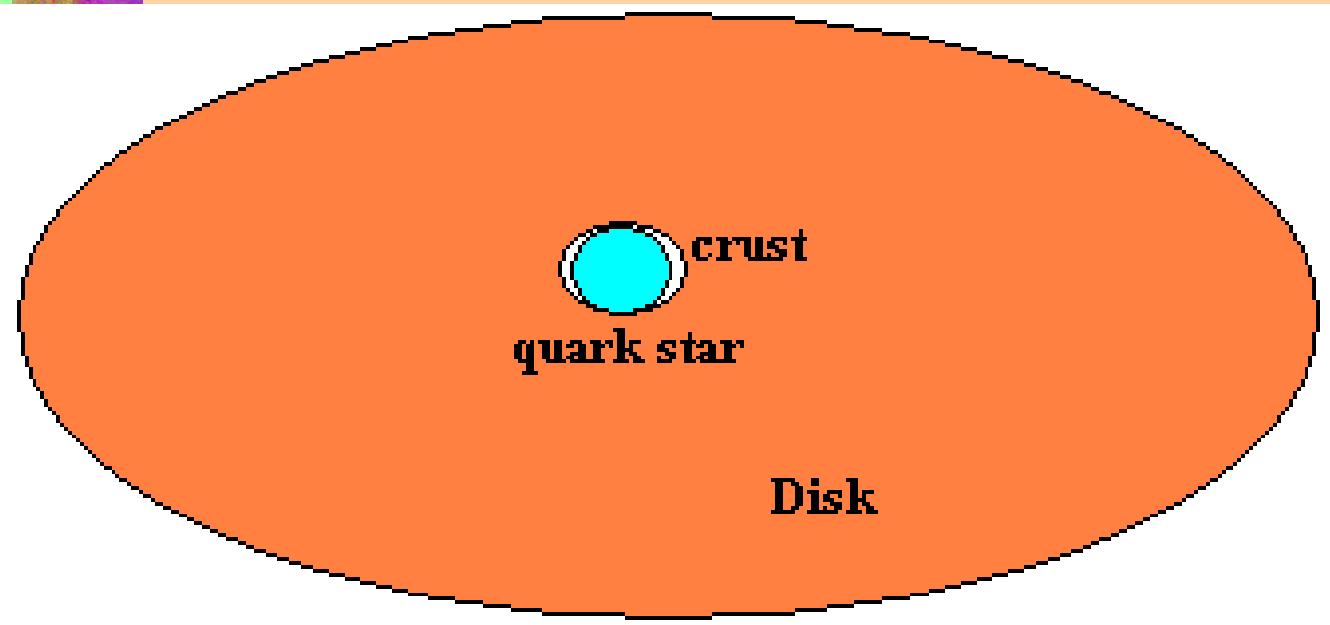


**Figure 2.** Light curves for the unpulsed emission (top) and the pulsar (bottom) from the 2000 periastron data. For clarity the error bars have been omitted.

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# SGR & AXP : A Quark Stars + Crust + fall back disk =>Quarctar



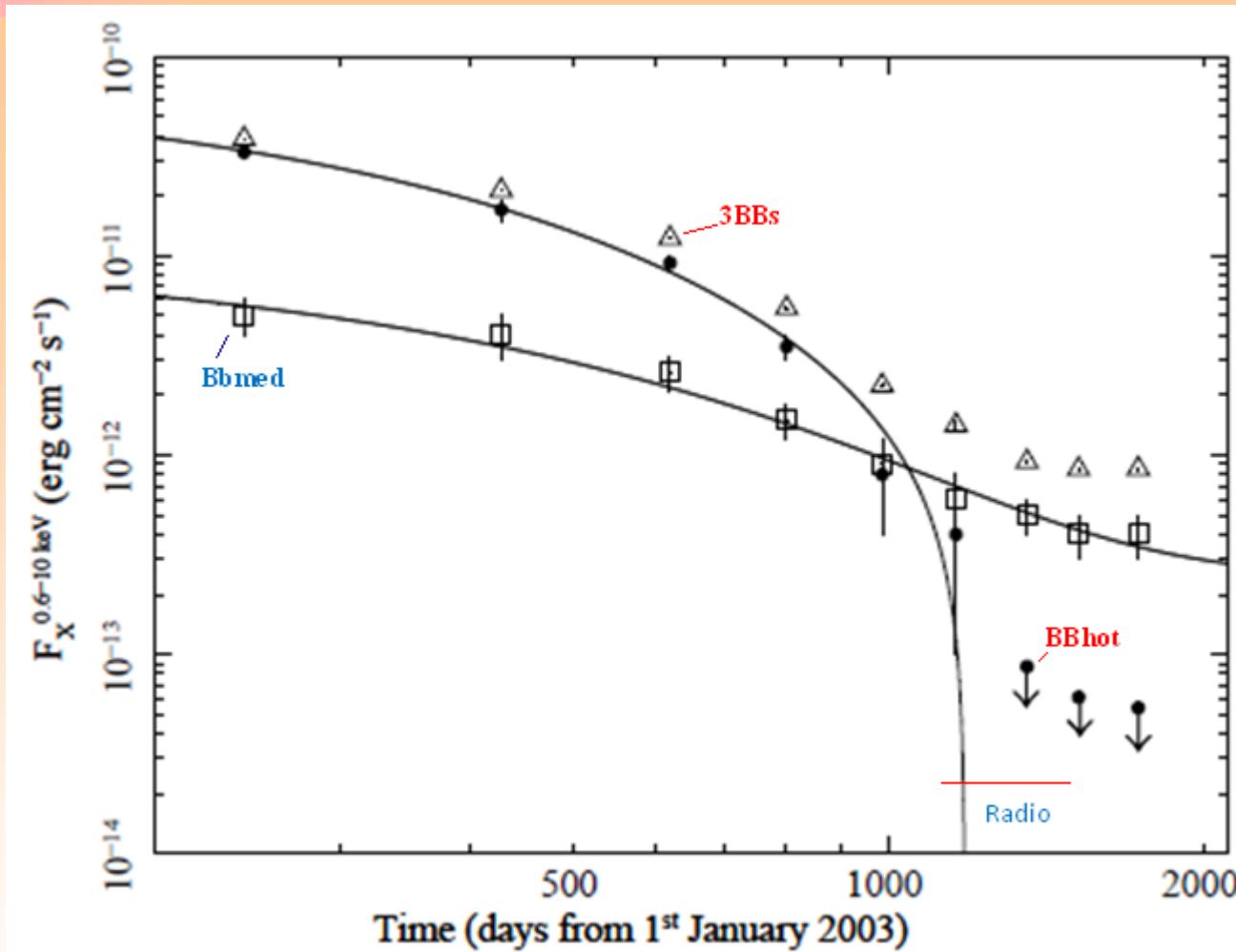
Wang et al.2006  
Ertan et al. 2009

# Conclusion & discussion

1. Do “magnetars” really exist?
2. What the AXPs & SGRs are?

**Thank you !**

# 1810-197: X-ray obs. Sep. 2003 – Sep. 2007



Evolution of the 0.6 – 10 keV flux

Bernardini et al. 2009