

Dissecting the interstellar medium of a $z=6.3$ galaxy.

X-shooter spectroscopy and HST imaging of the afterglow and environment of the Swift GRB 210905A

Stargate Collaboration

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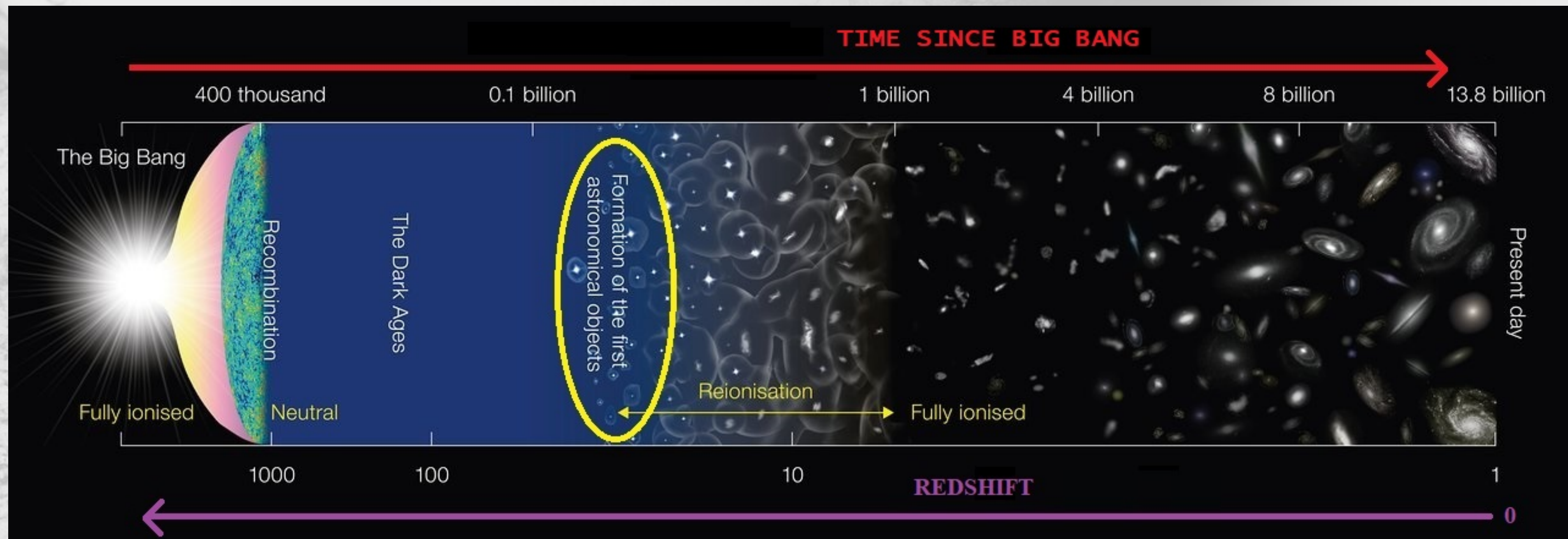
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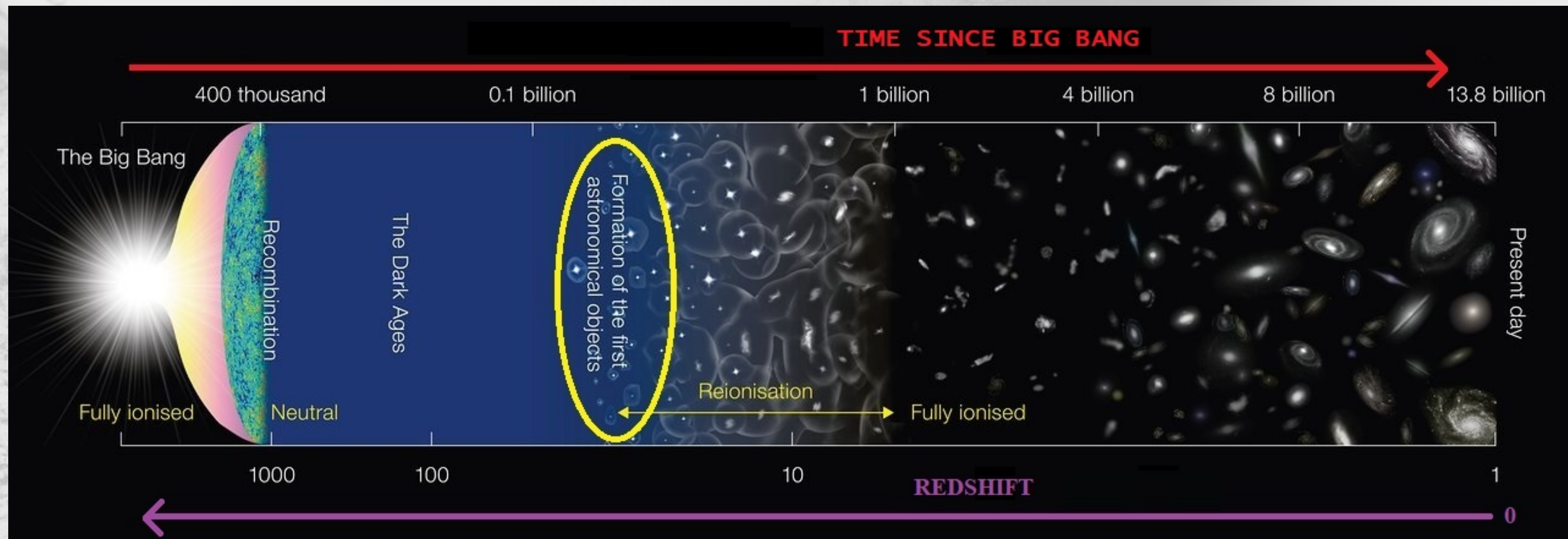
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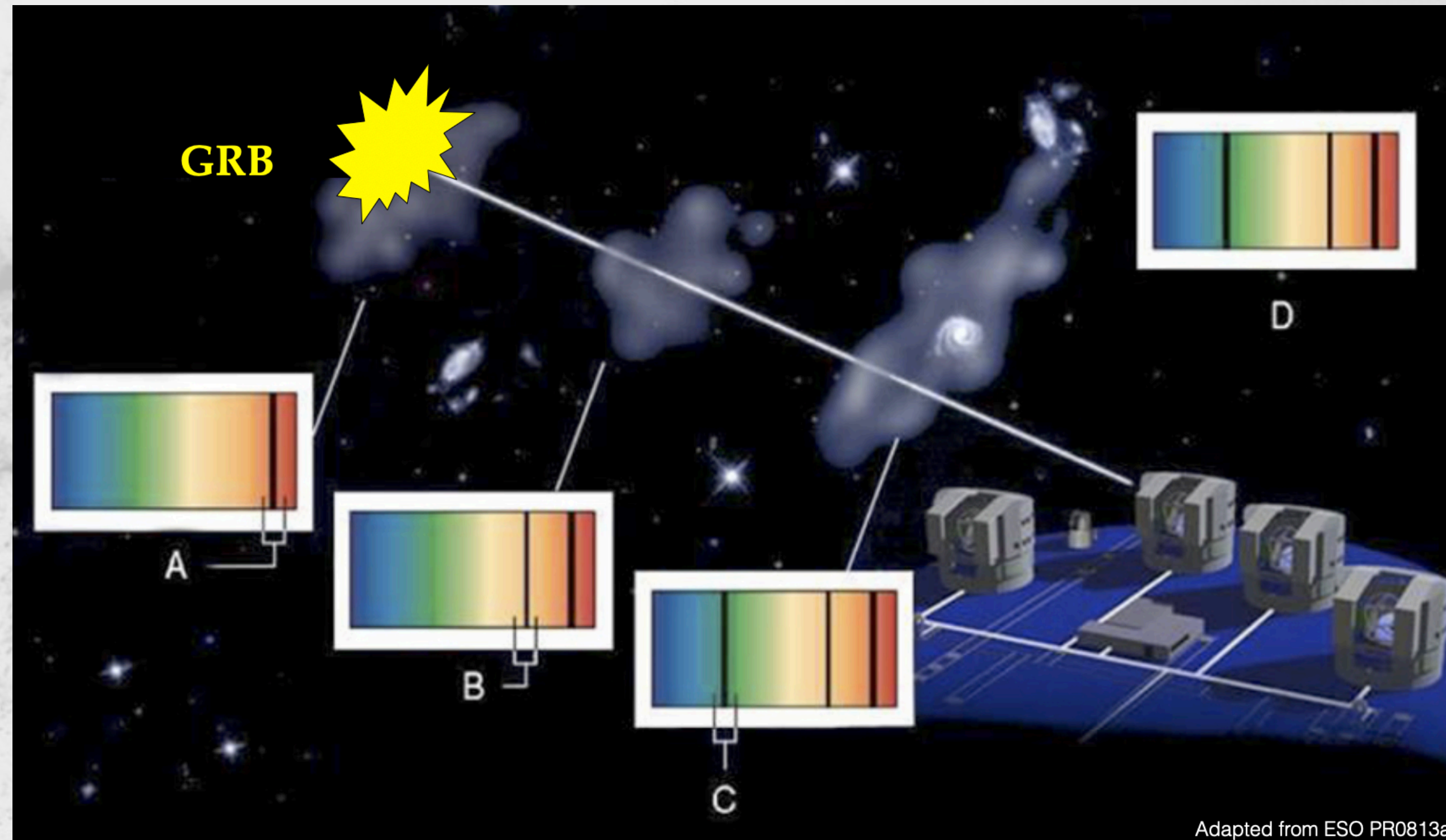
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➔ GRBs ARE IDEAL TOOLS TO TACKLE THESE ISSUES

LGRBs afterglows are unique powerful background sources to probe first galaxies

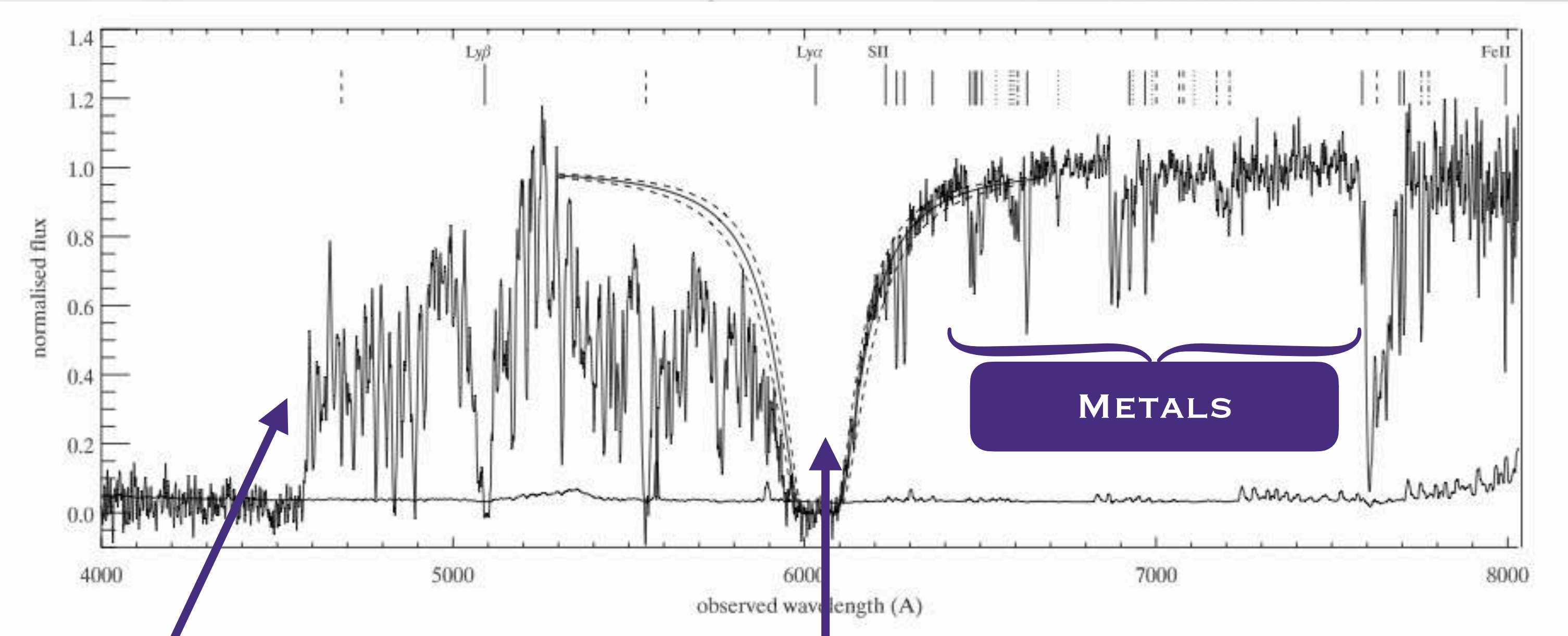


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- Extremely bright at all redshift
- Trace star formation to the highest redshift
- Afterglow emission fades —> Study of LGRB host
- Gas in the ISM (absorption lines Afterglow spectra)
+
Ionised gas (emission lines host galaxy spectra)

LYMAN ALPHA FOREST
INTERGALACTIC MEDIUM (IGM)

GRB 050730 $z=3.968$



LYMAN LIMIT

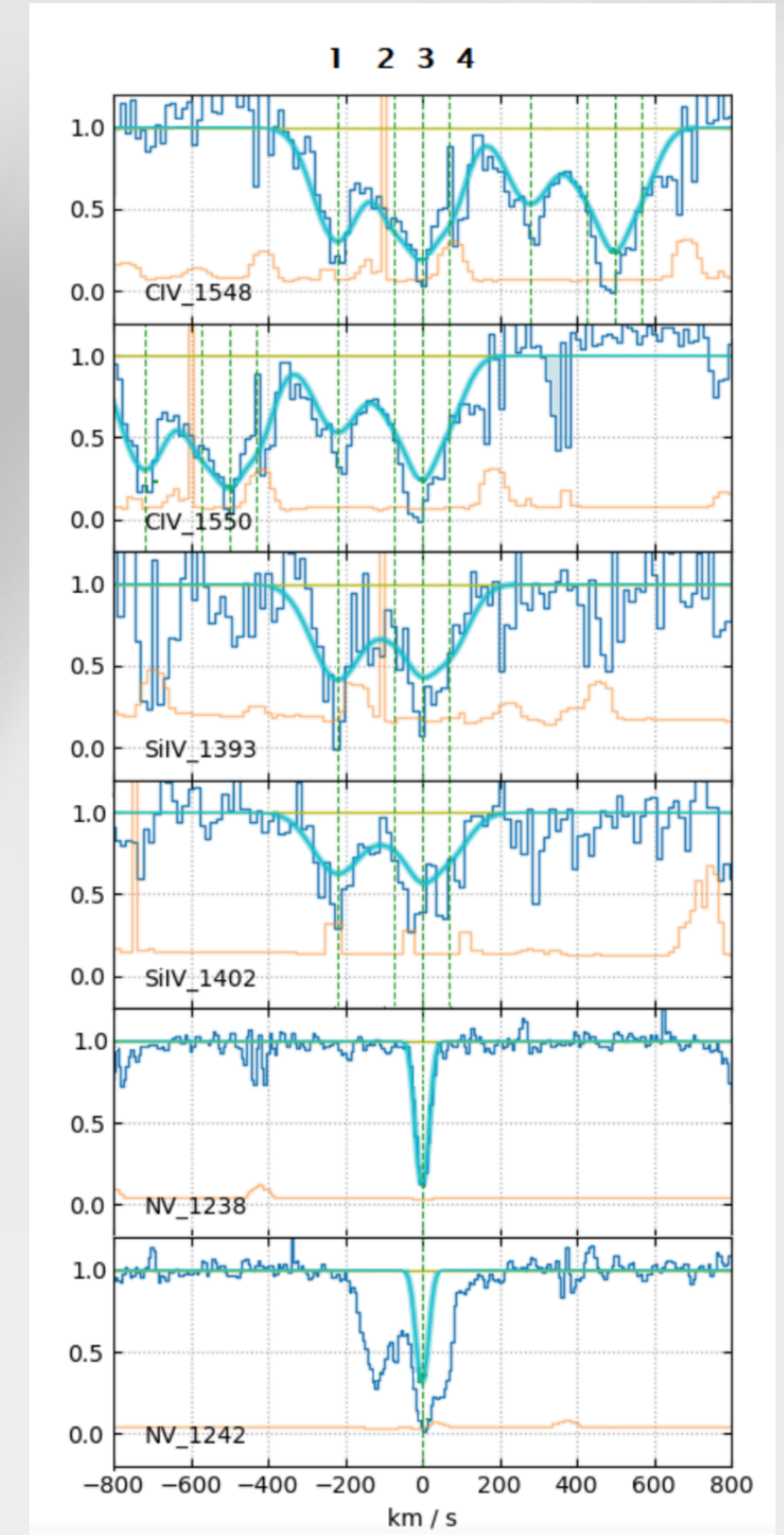
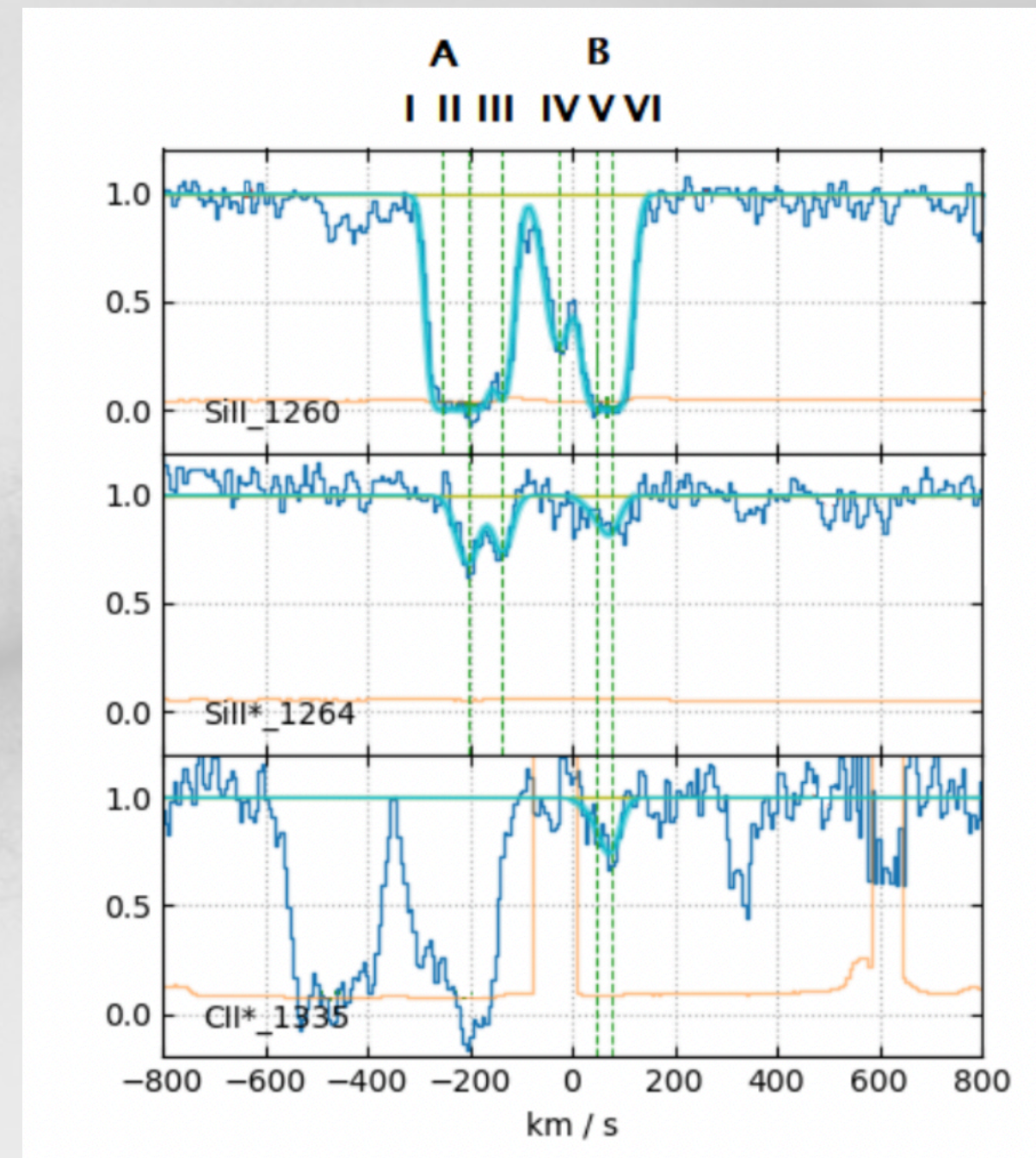
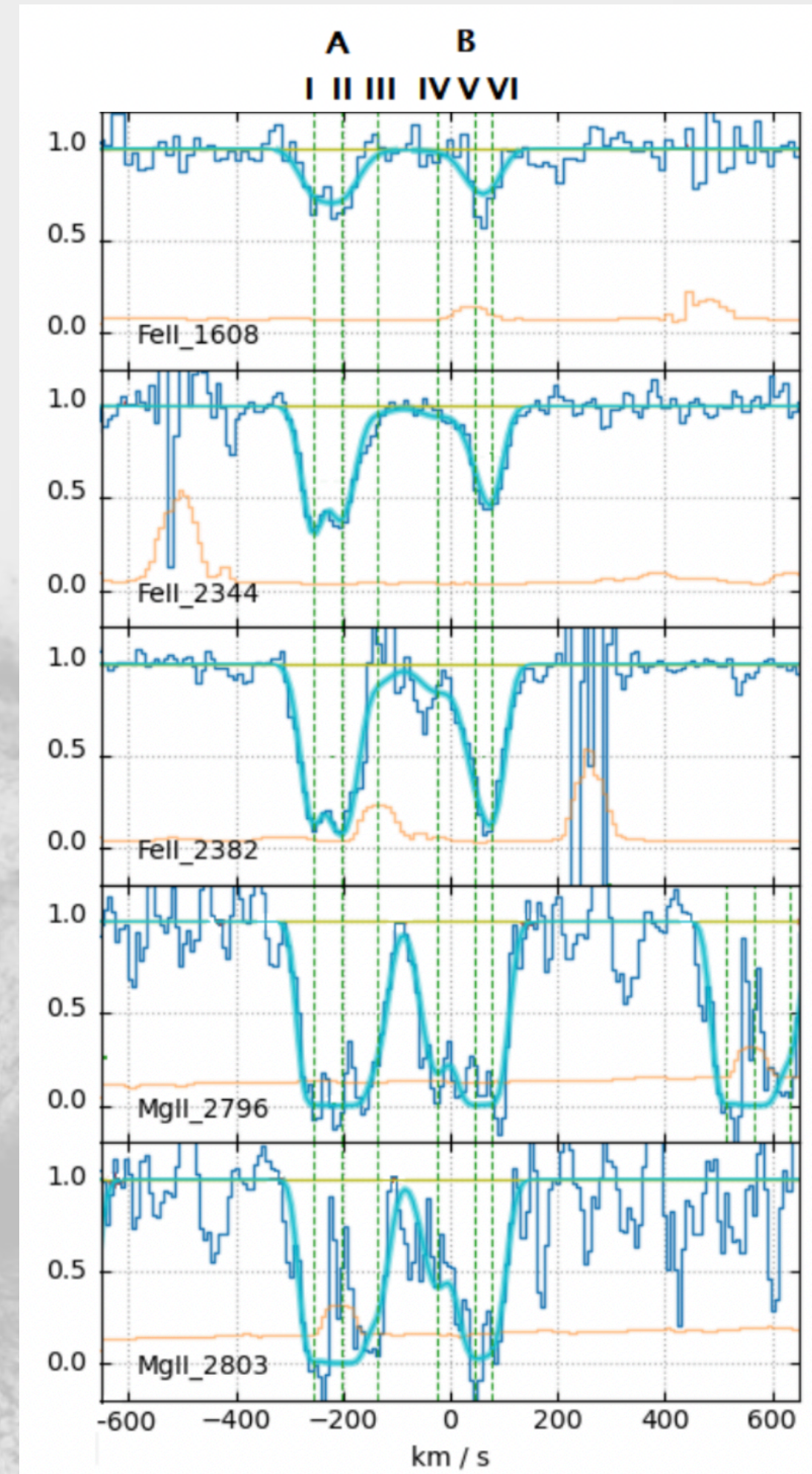
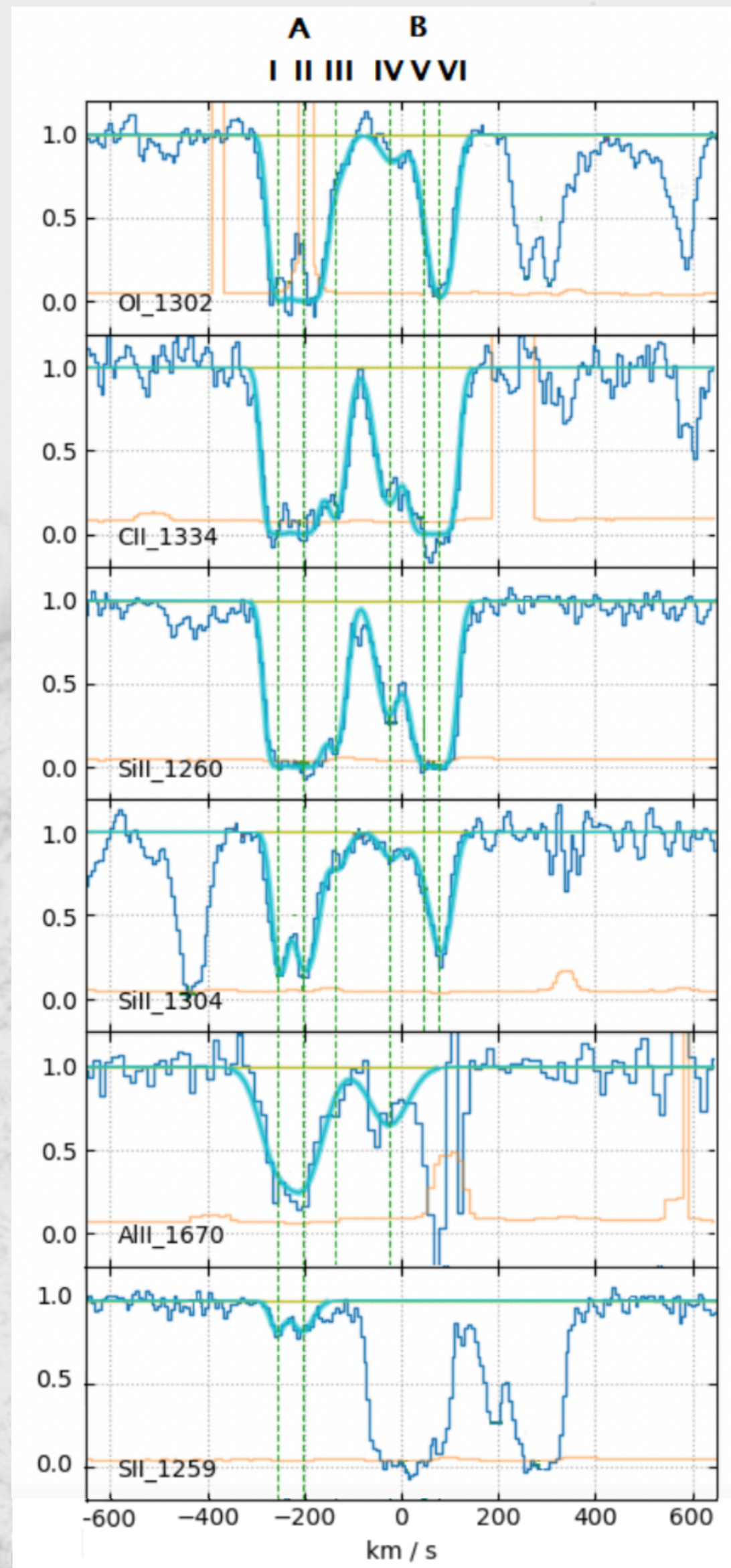
HI (LYMAN ALPHA)
NEUTRAL HYDROGEN

R. L. C. Starling+2005

From the analysis of the absorption lines we can measure:

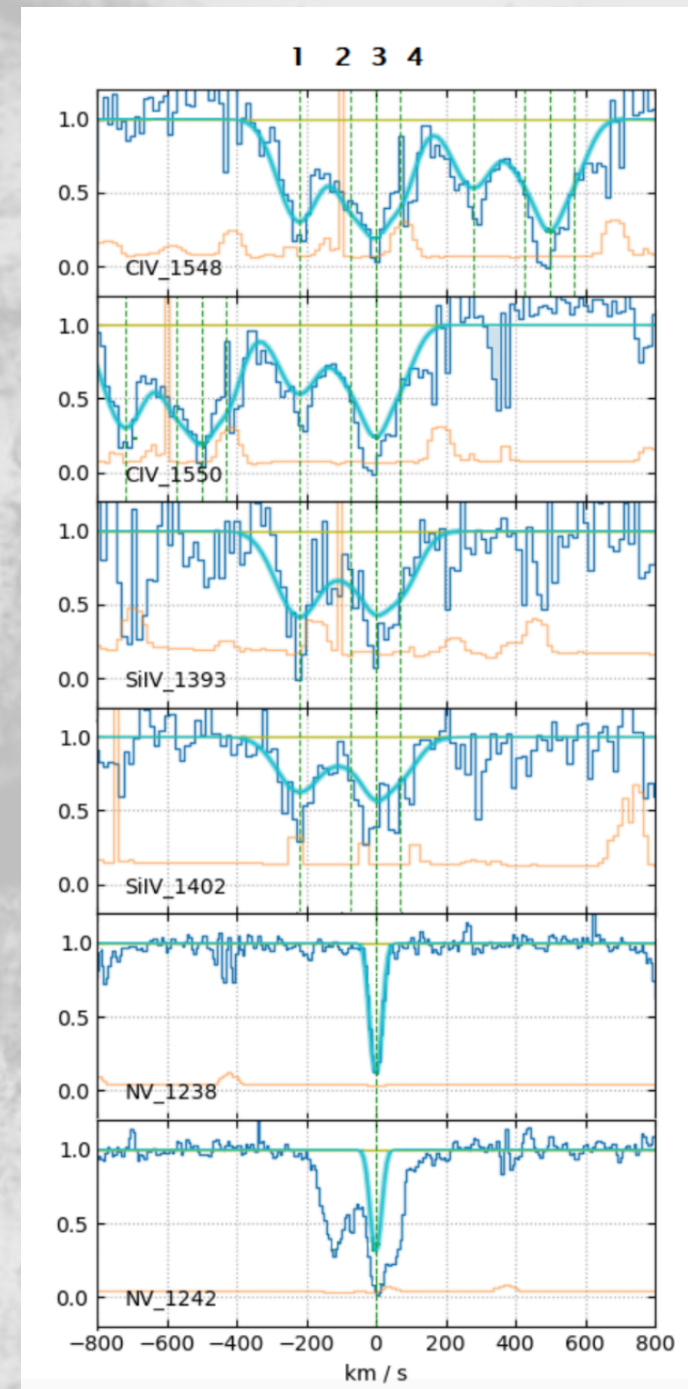
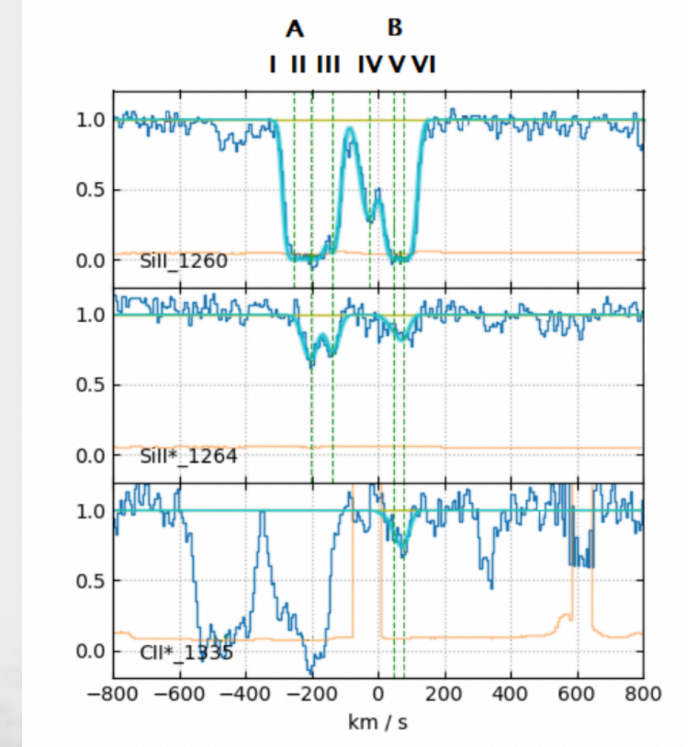
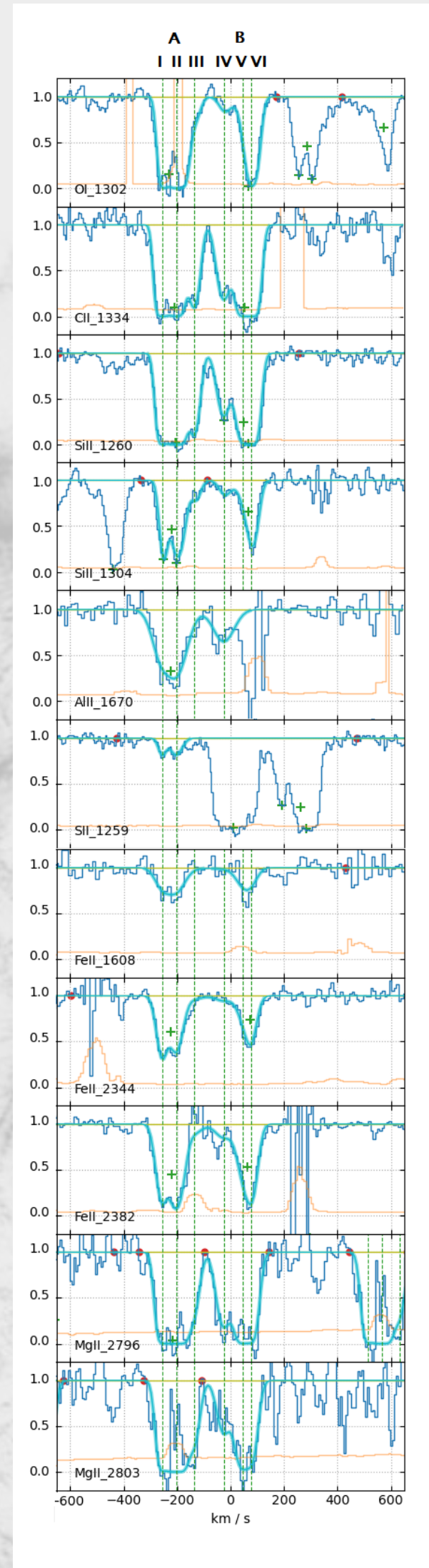
- ➔ *Redshift of the absorbers*
- ➔ *Column densities of the ions of different chemical elements*

GRB 210905A HOST GALAXY $z \sim 6.3$



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VLT/X-shooter spectrum

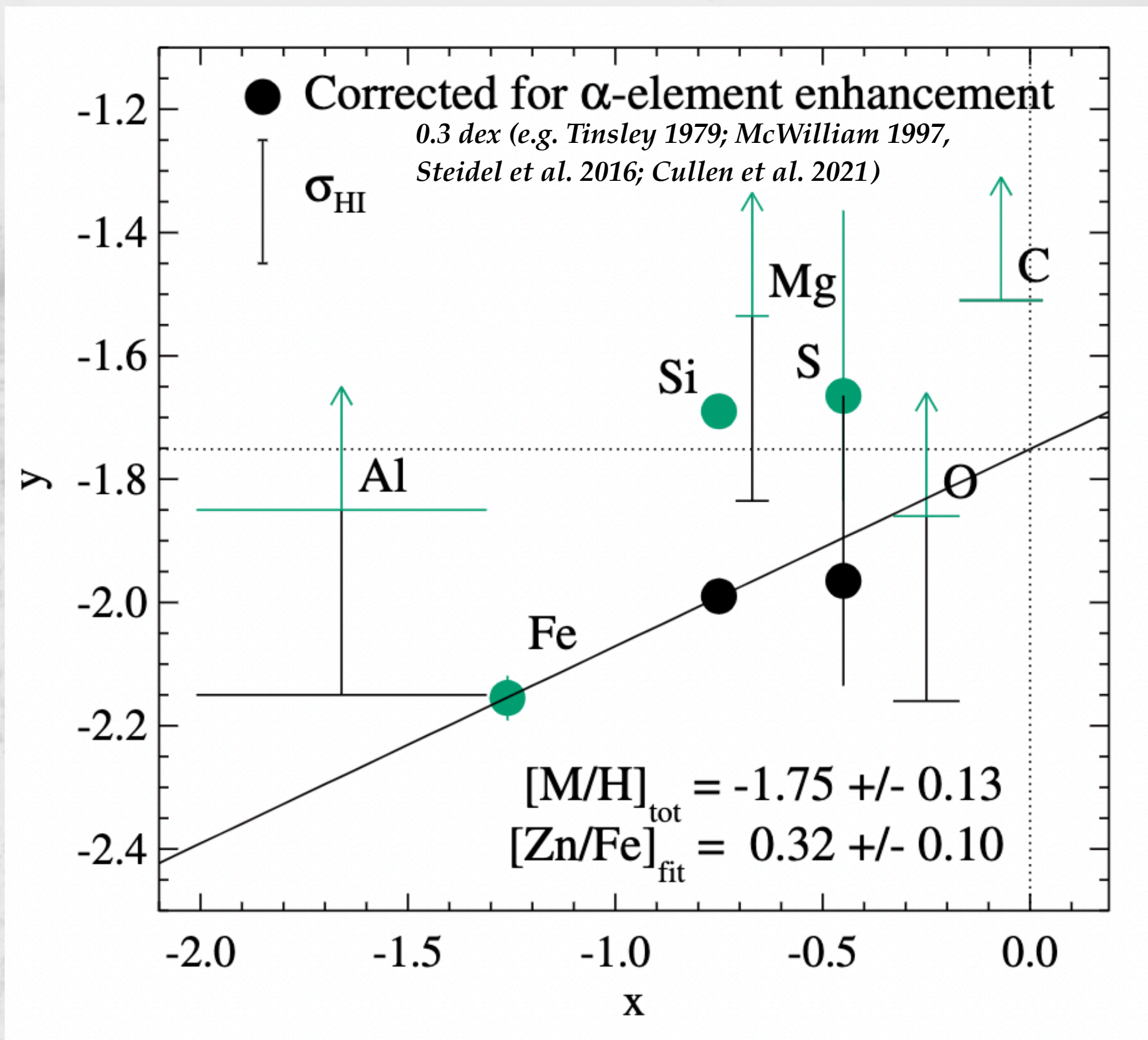
EPOCH	ARM	EXP. TIME	λ RANGE	RESOLUTION
(Hours)		(s)	(nm)	($\lambda/\delta\lambda$)
2.53	UVB	4x1200	300-560	5400
2.53	VIS	4x1200	560-1020	8900
2.53	NIR	4x1200	1020-2100	5600

From the absorption properties :

- ➔ *Metallicity and dust depletion*
- ➔ *The distance of the corresponding gas clouds*
(From the fine structure lines e.g. Vreeswijk+2007; D'Elia+2009)
- ➔ *Kinematic of the gas*
- ➔ *Chemical abundance pattern*

We perform a detailed analysis of metallicity, chemical enrichment and dust depletion

The overall host galaxy



Following De Cia et al. 2016, De Cia et al. 2021

AXIS

*X = How refractory is an element
Y ~ Elements abundances*

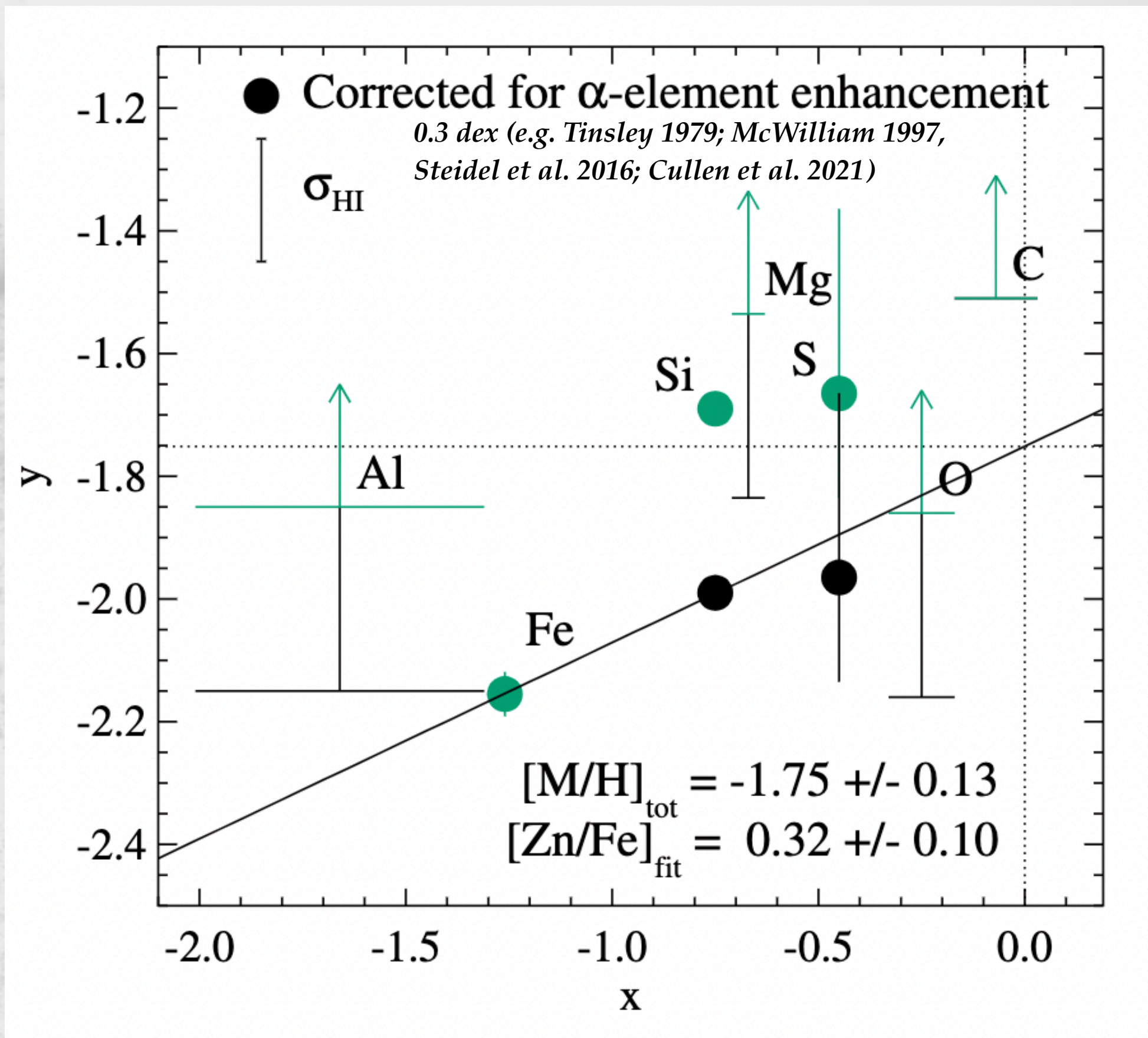
FIT

*Slope $\rightarrow [Zn/Fe]_{\text{fit}}$
Intercept $\rightarrow [M/H]_{\text{tot}}$*

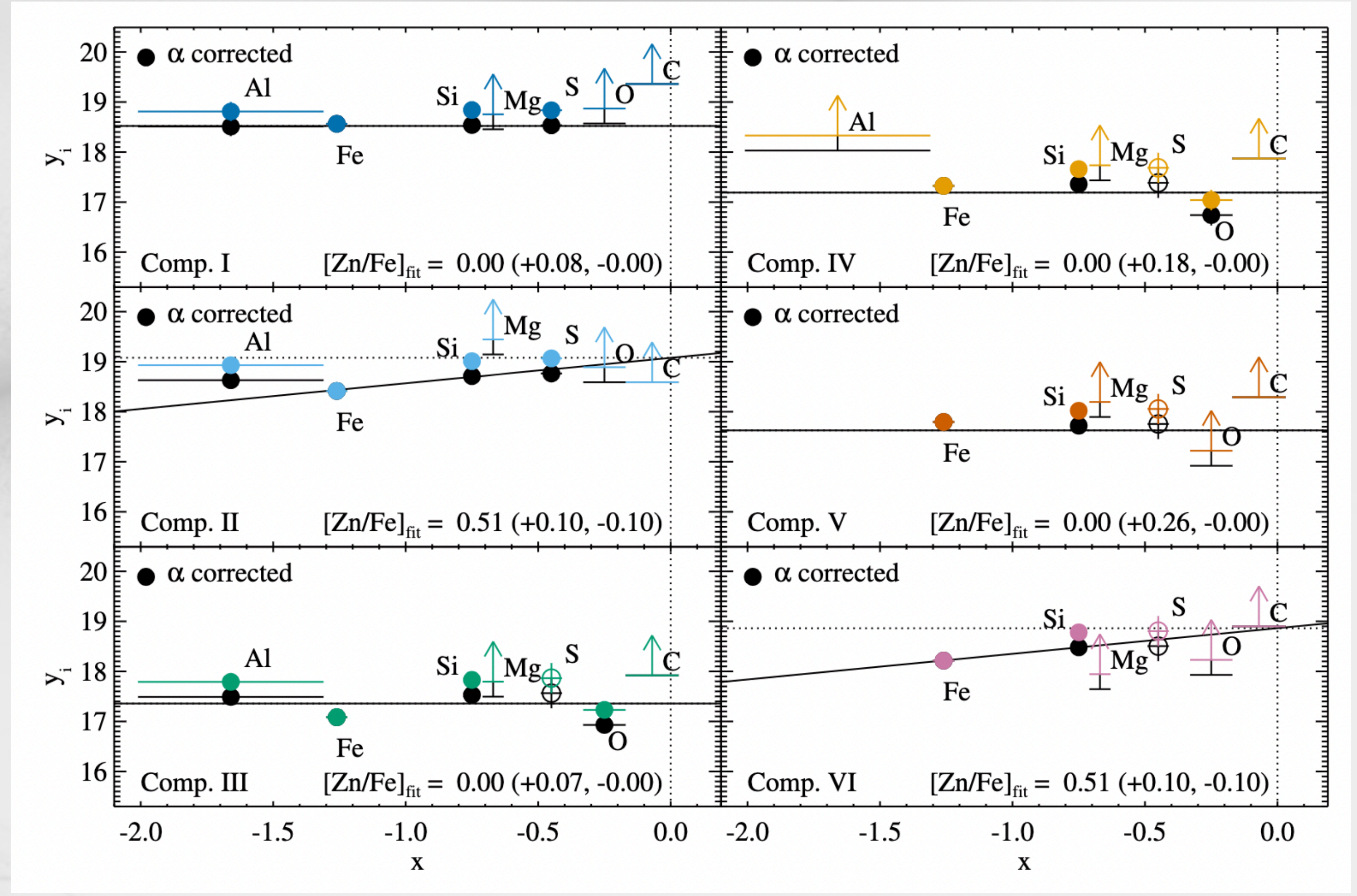
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Component-by-component

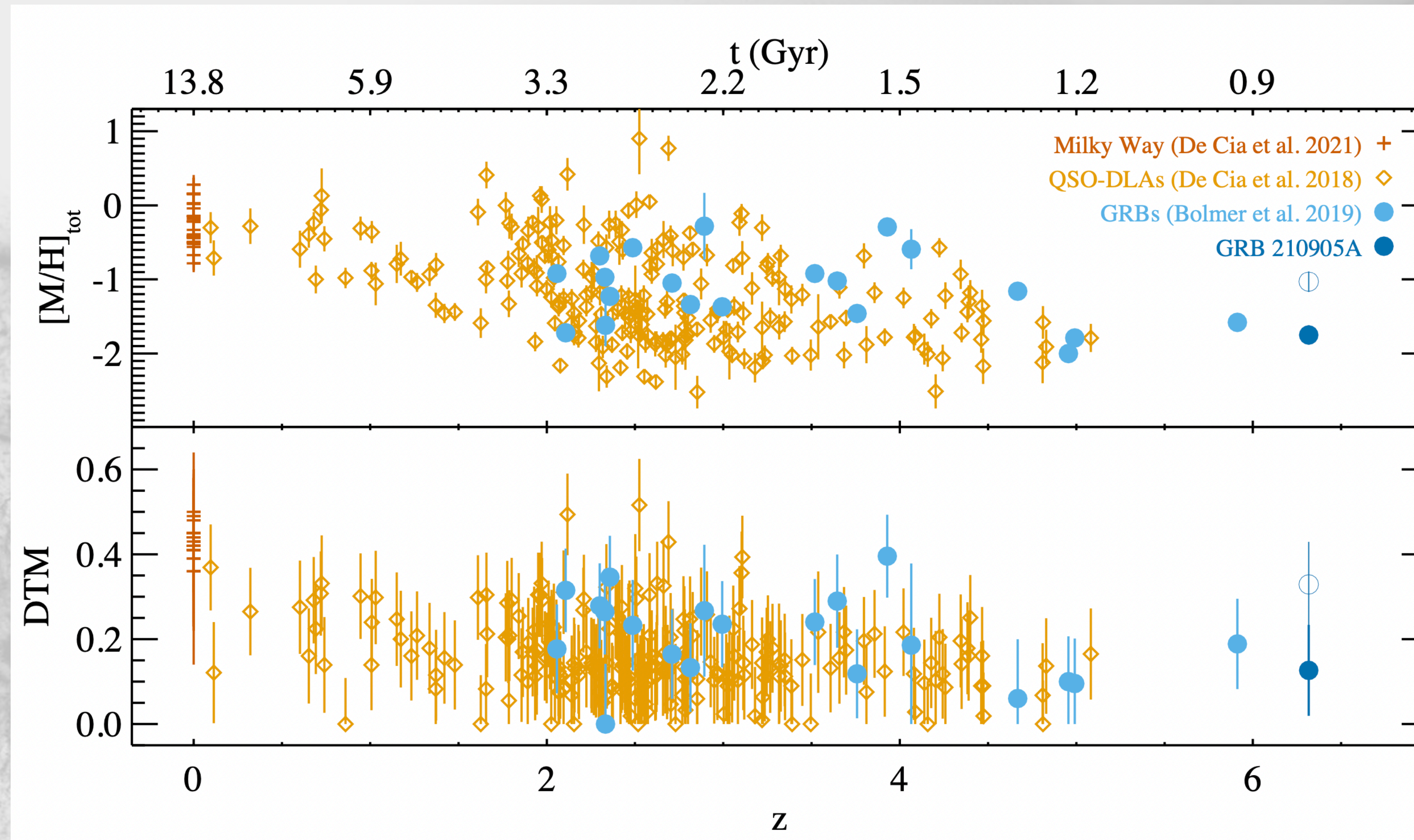


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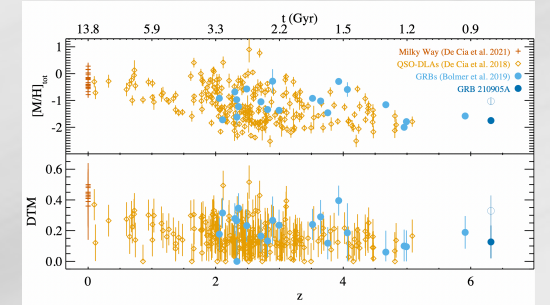
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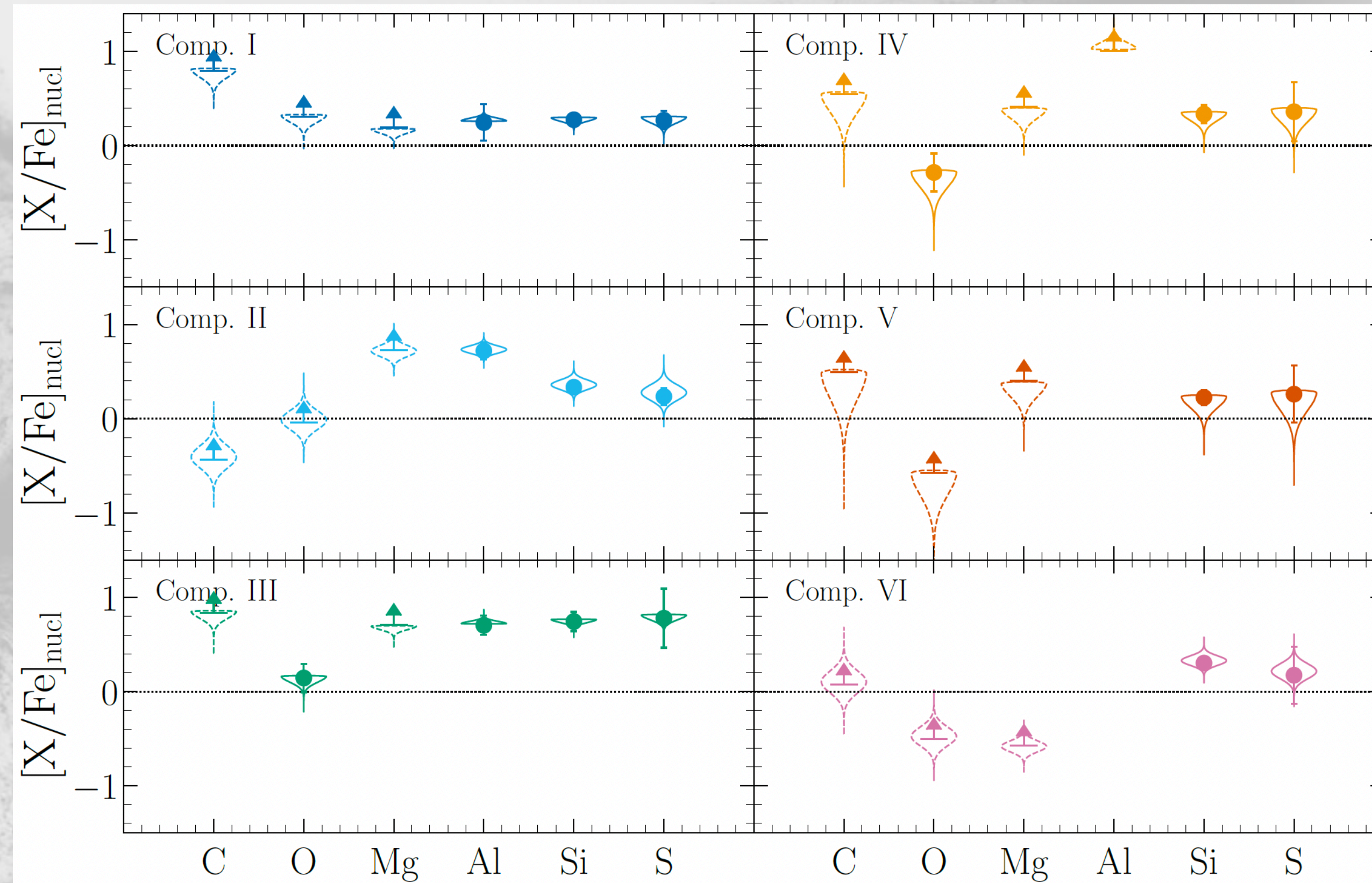
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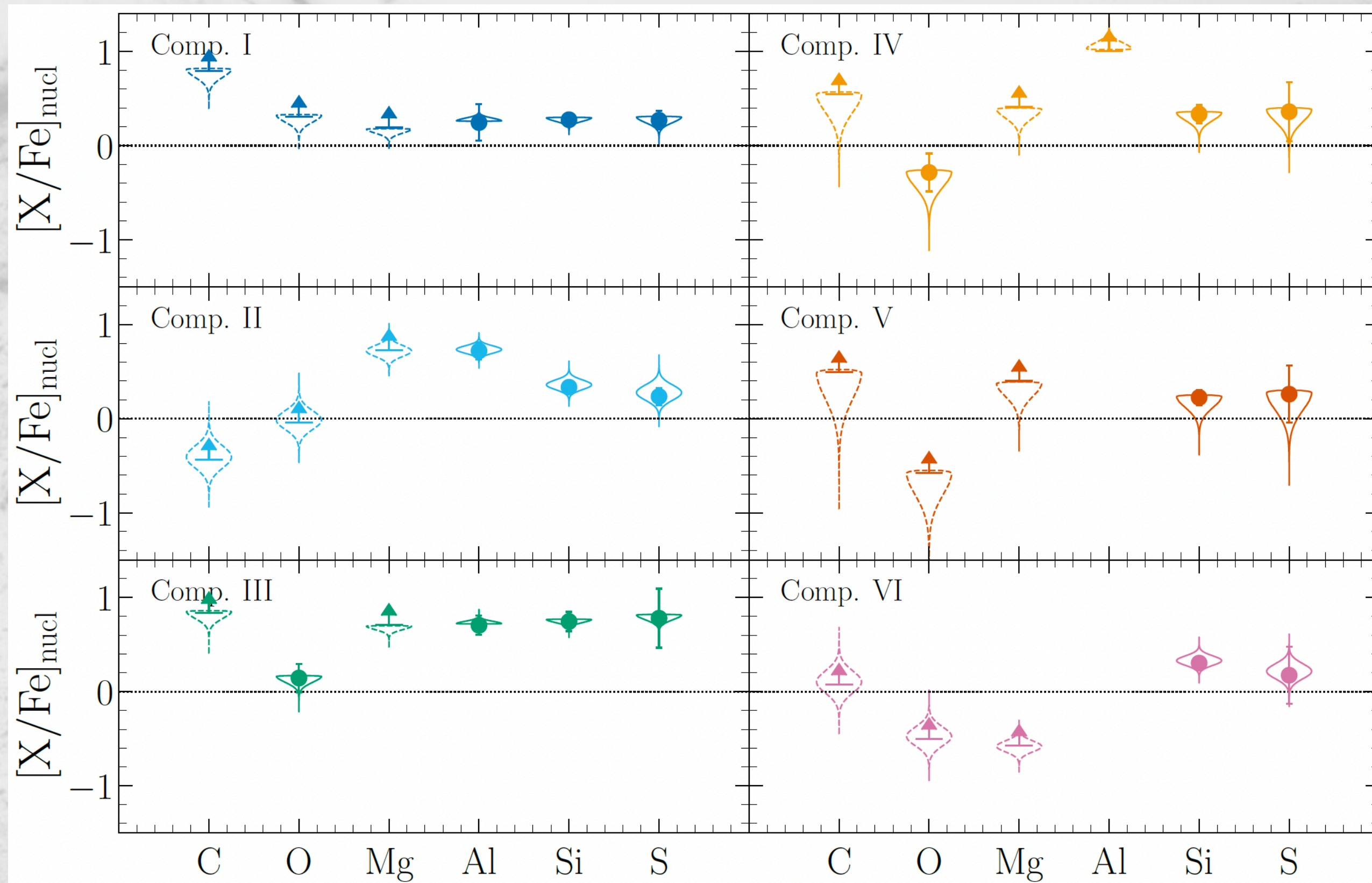
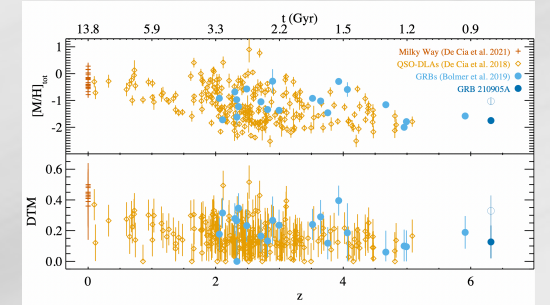
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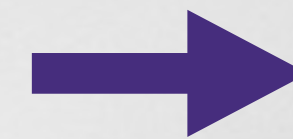
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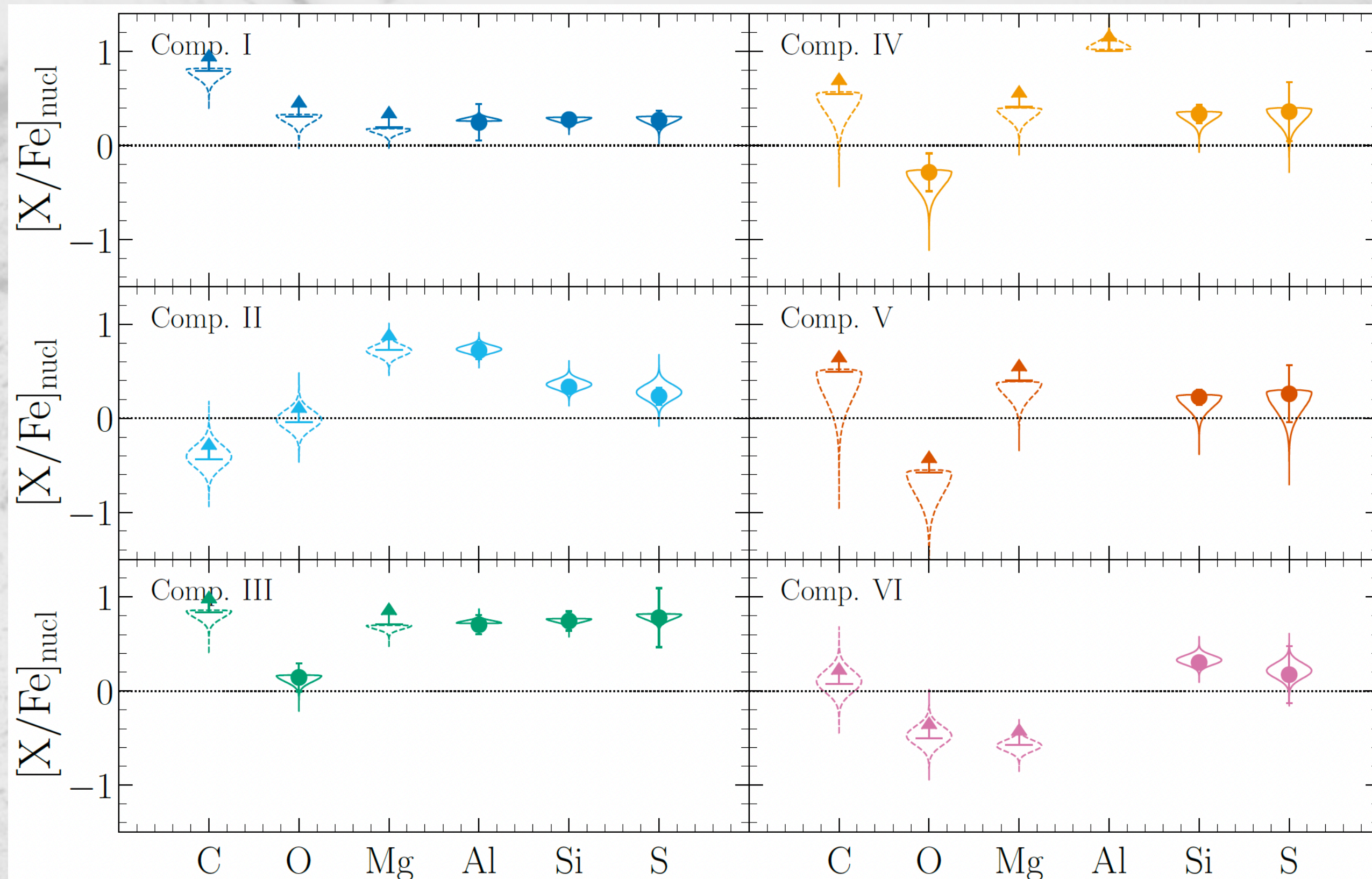
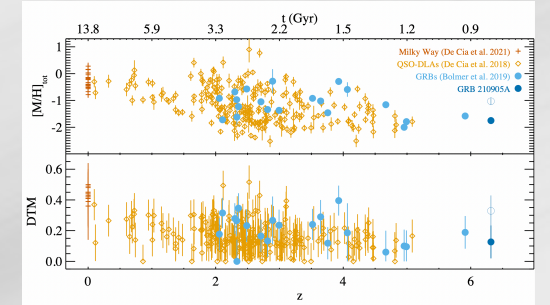


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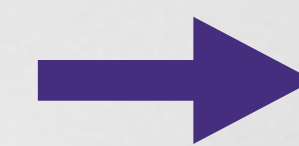


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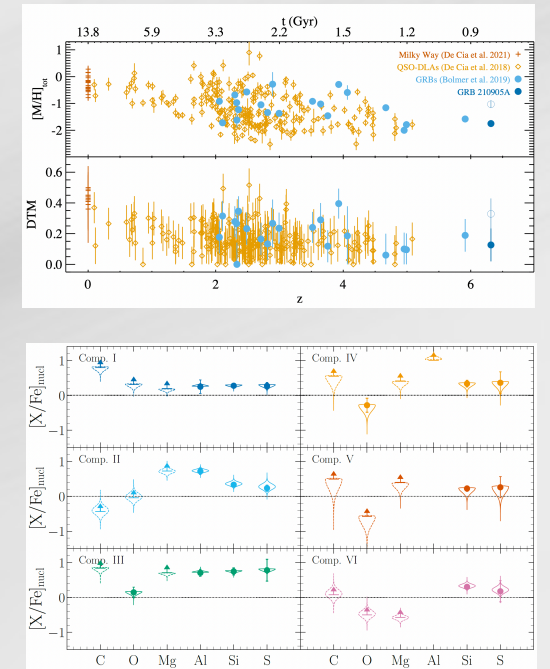
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Over-abundance of aluminium
Under-abundance of oxygen:
 - typical of some stars found in globular clusters and dwarf galaxies
 - the best candidates are massive AGB stars and fast rotating massive stars
 (e.g., Prantzos et al. 2007; Fulbright et al. 2007; Alves-Brito et al. 2010)

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UV-Pumping



Excite the absorber atoms and ions to a principal quantum number above the fundamental



By a spontaneous emission, the fine structure lines of the fundamental state are populated



Photoionization code

INPUT:

-INCIDENCE FLUX

-INITIAL COLUMN DENSITIES

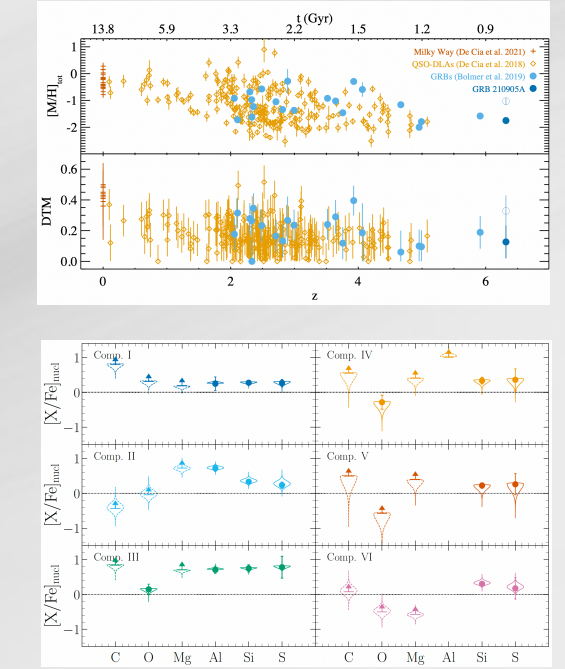


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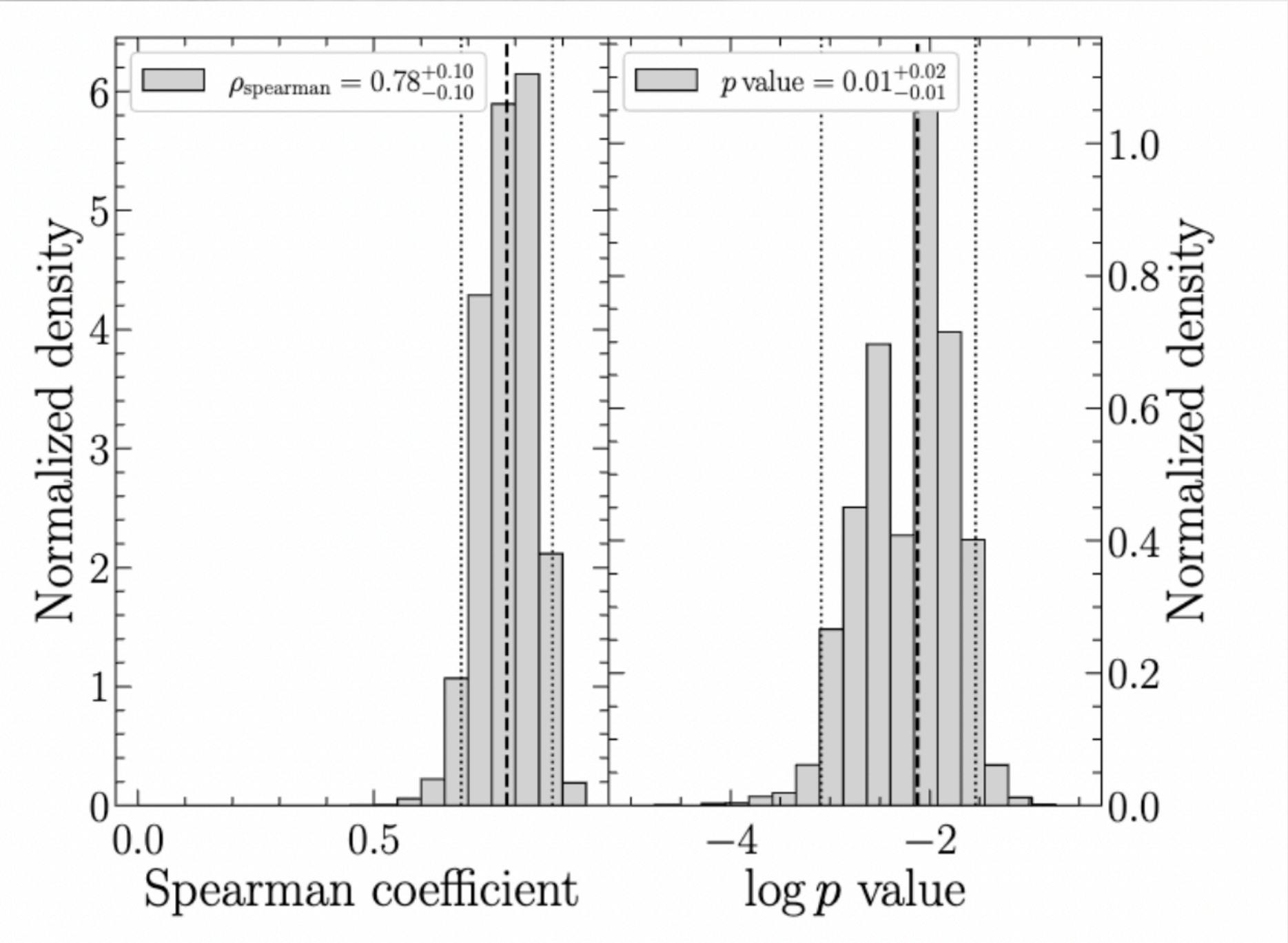
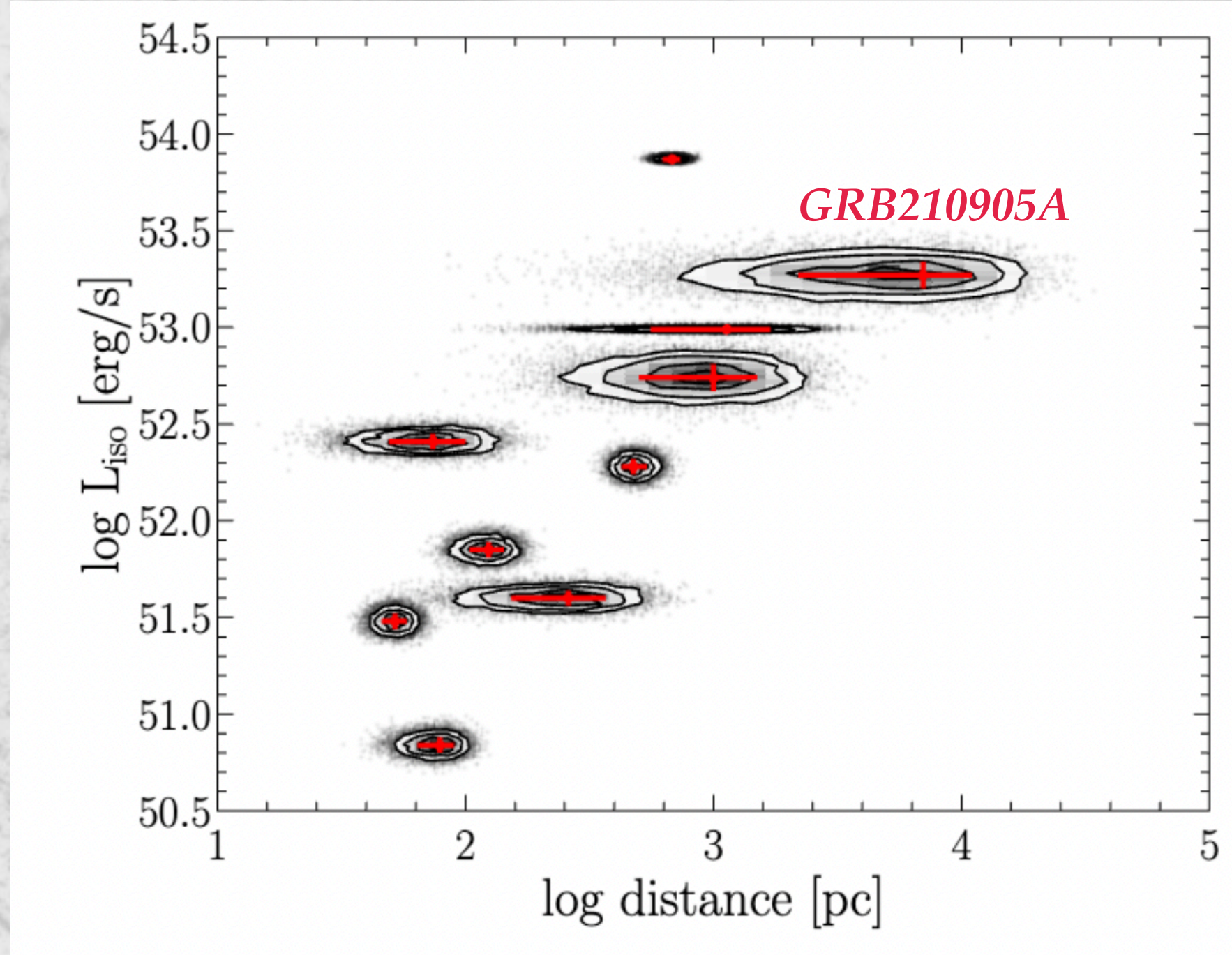
-DISTANCE

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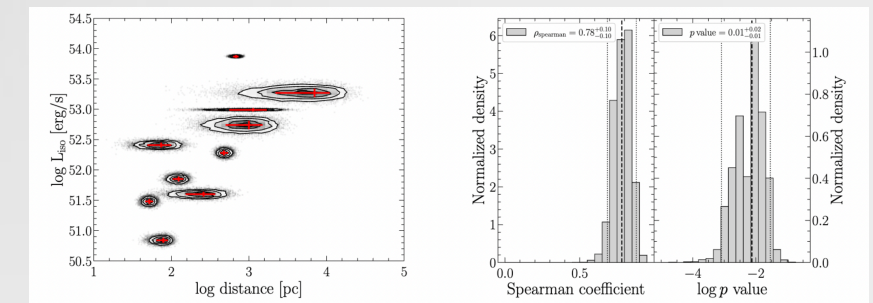
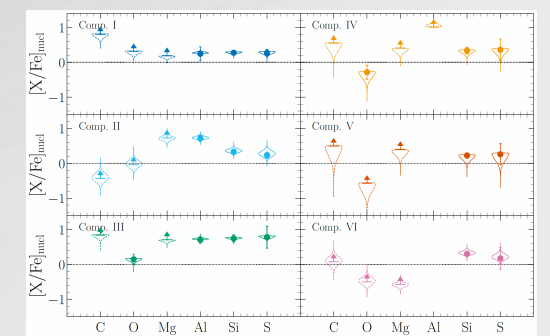
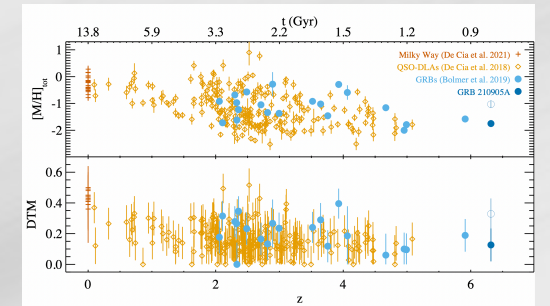


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4. Different scenarios can explain the kinematics of this complex system (Galaxies merger, more clumps, more galaxies...)



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$[Zn/Fe]_{\text{fit}}$ 0 0 0.51 0.51 0

ΔV [km/s] -255 +46 +75 -203 -136

Proper Distance [kpc] ? 17 16 11 7

Component IV: $\begin{cases} \text{Proper distance} & ? \\ \Delta V \text{ [km/s]} & -25 \\ [Zn/Fe] & 0 \end{cases}$

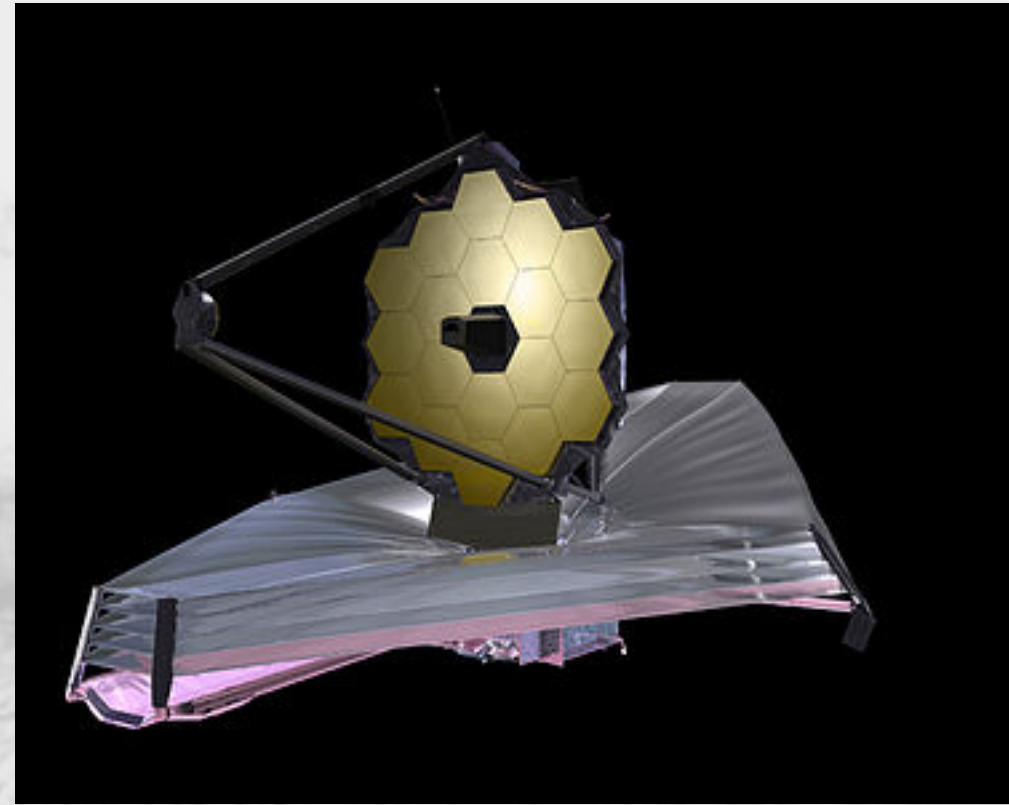
Component I V VI II III GRB



1 kpc \leftarrow

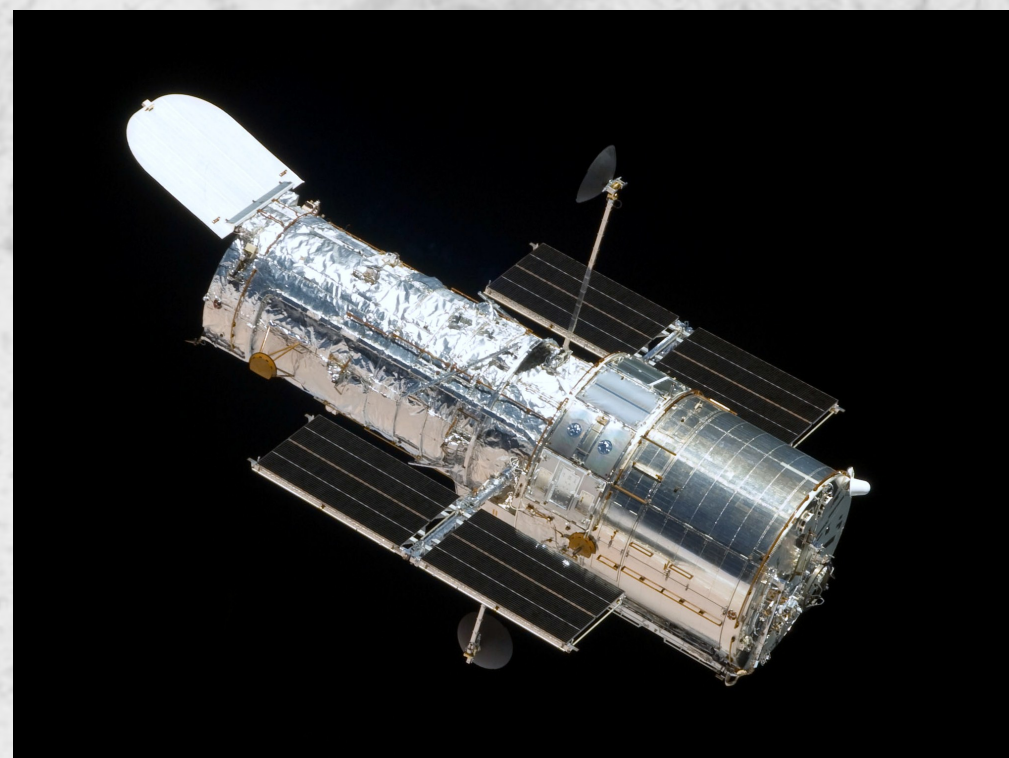
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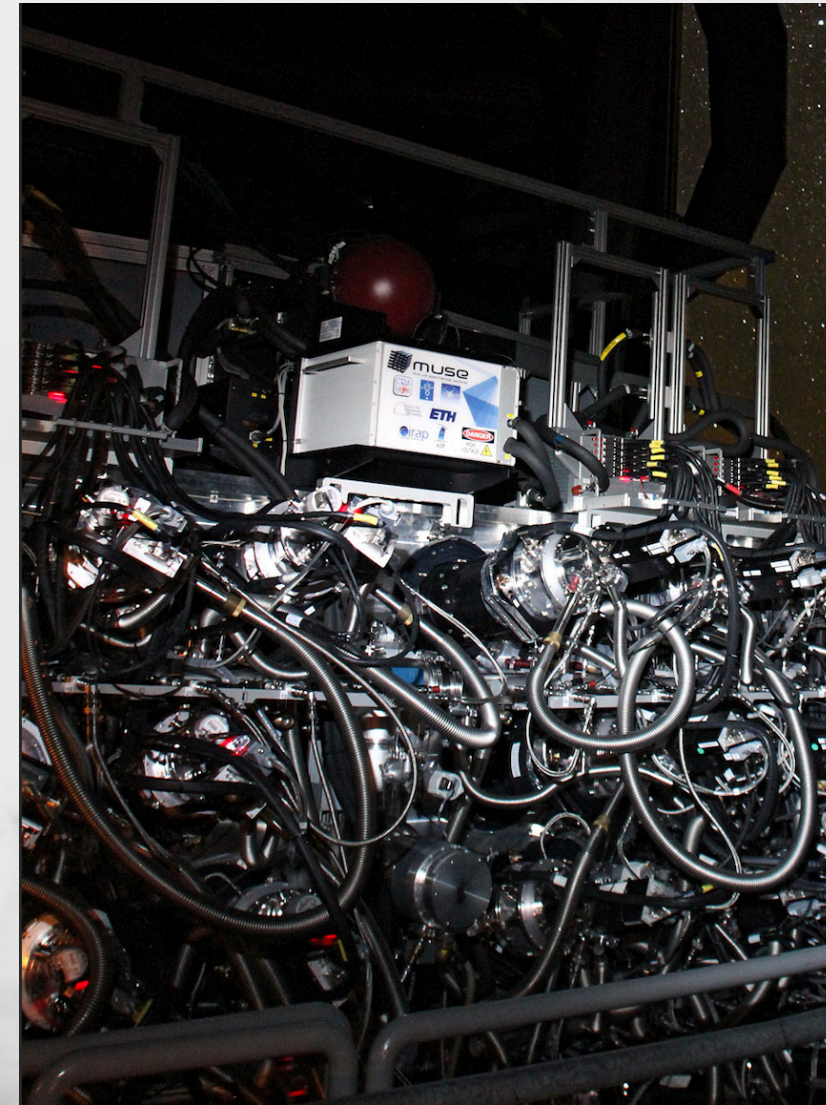


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HST



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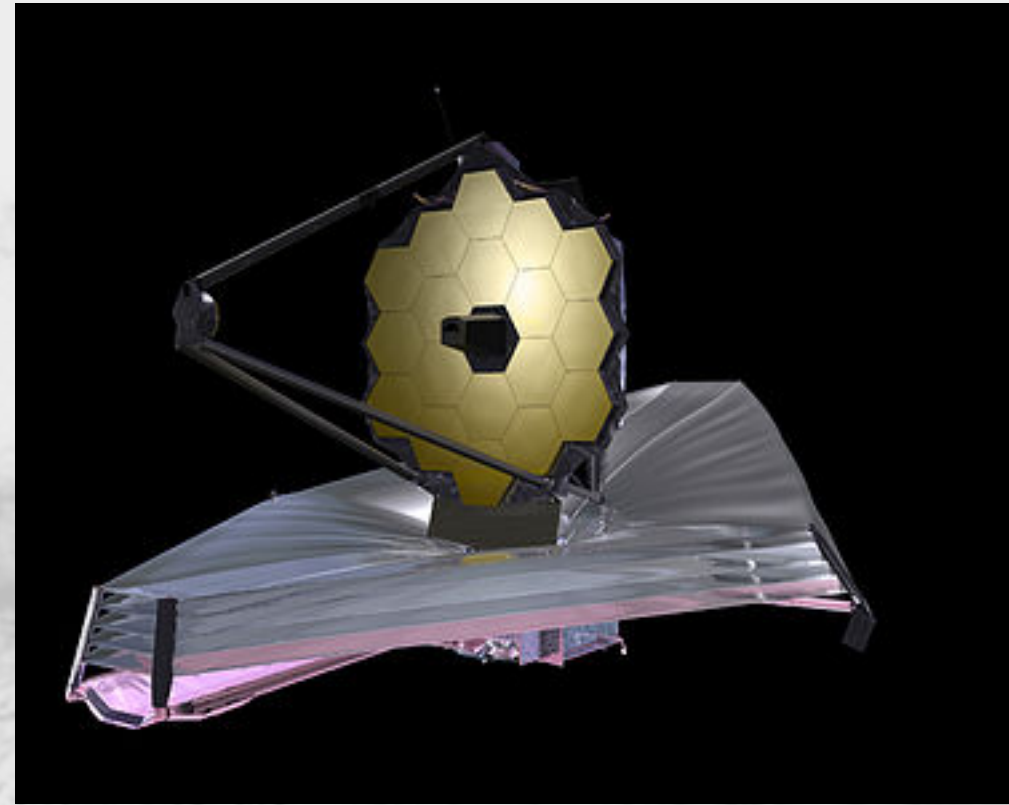
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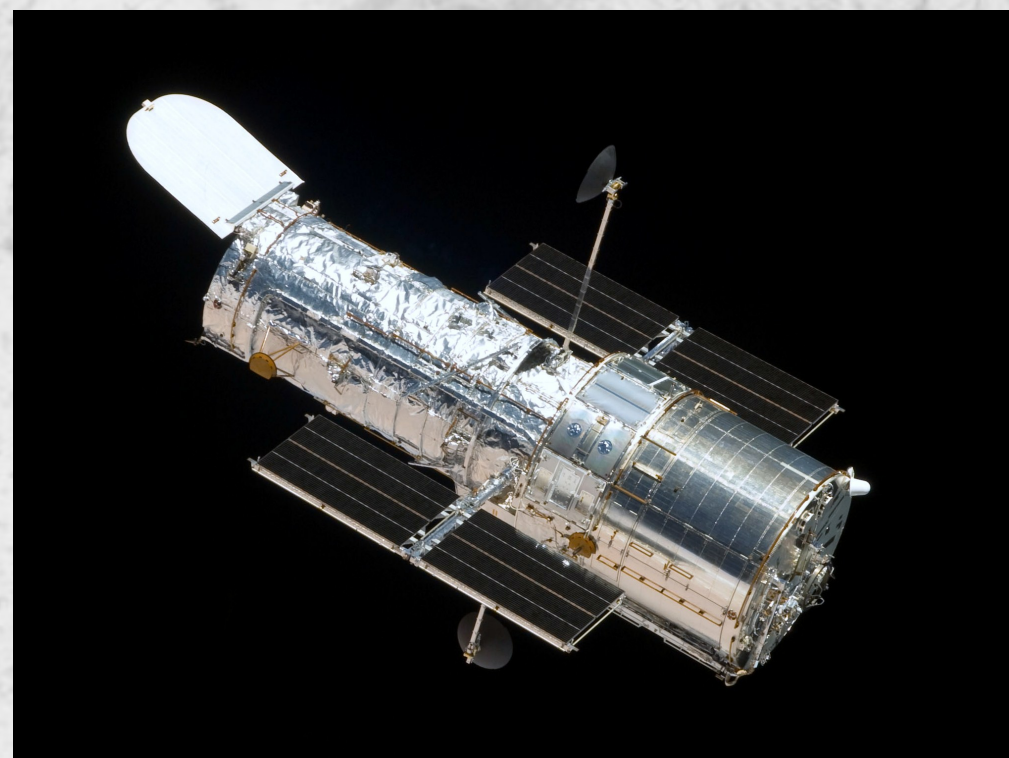
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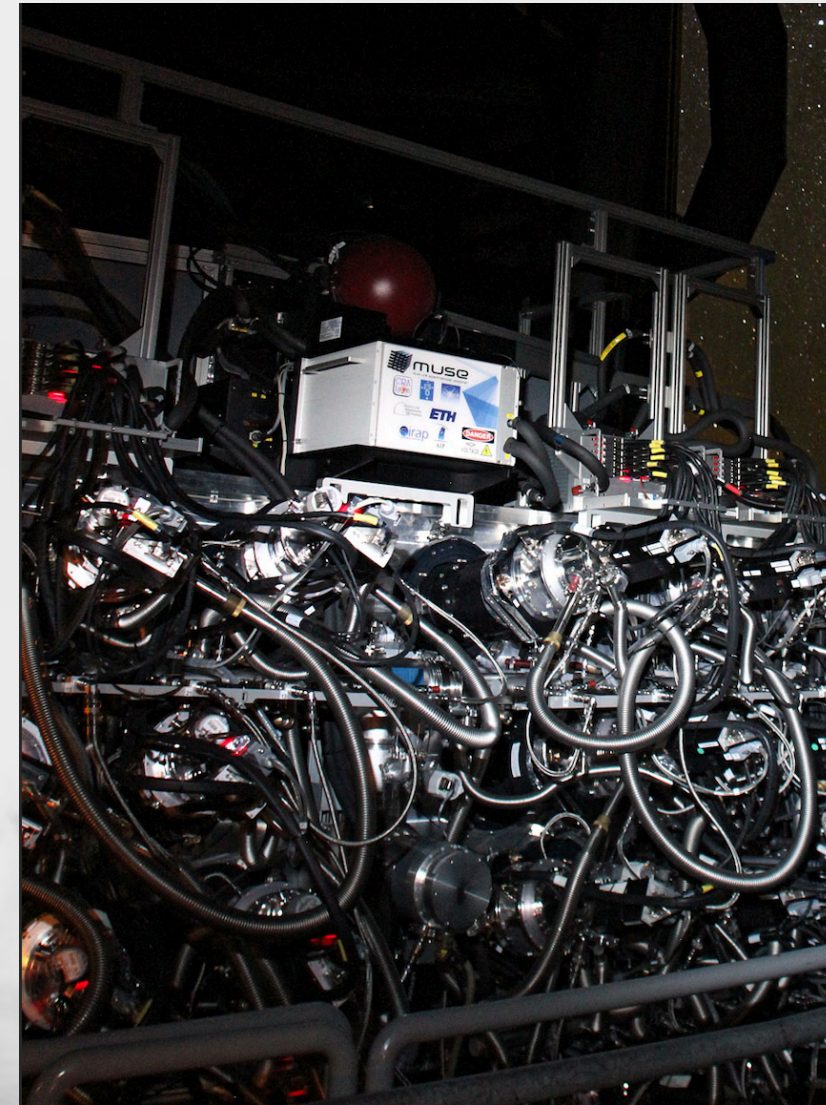
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OBSERVED!

HST/F140W Image

- Complex System



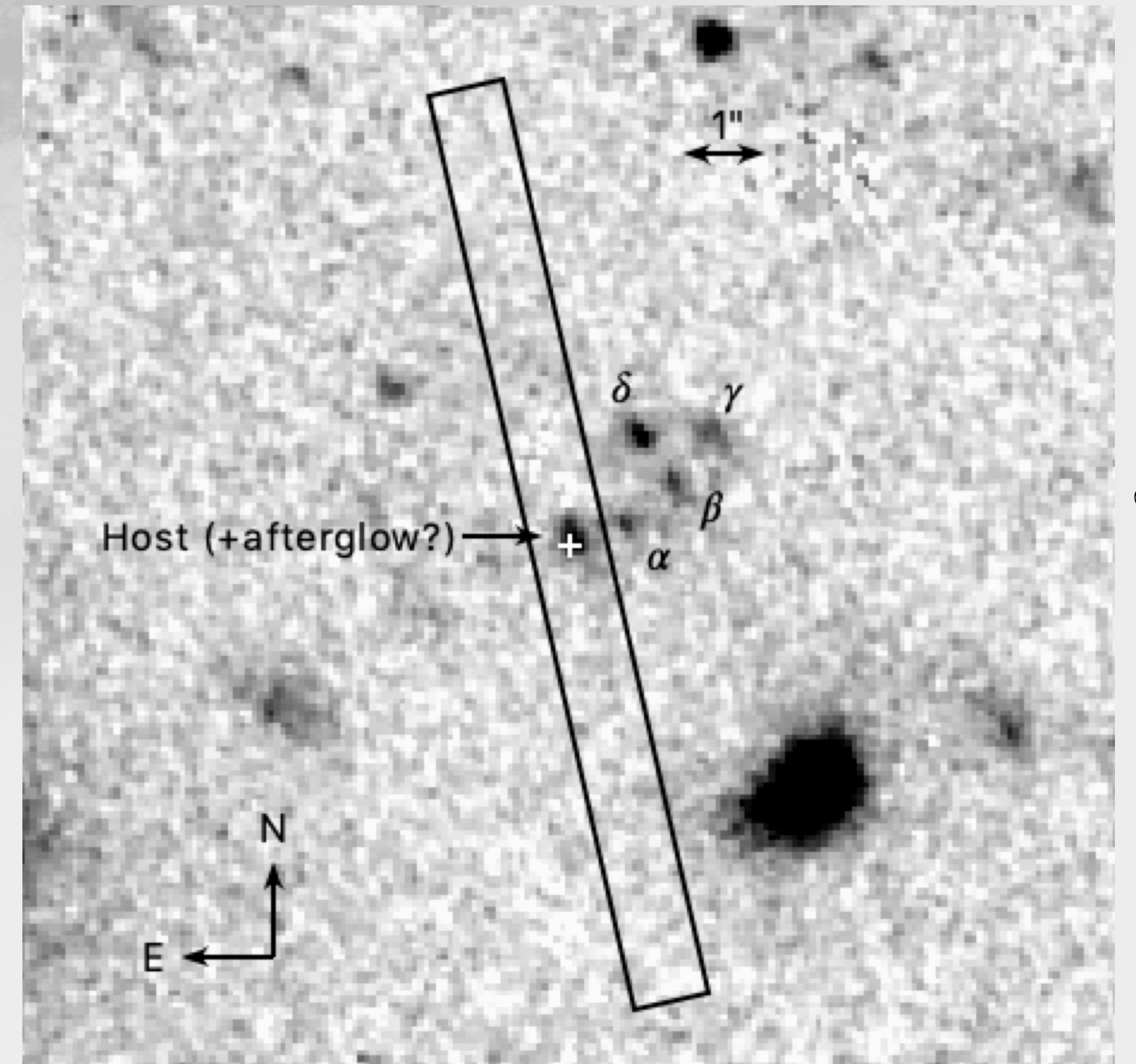
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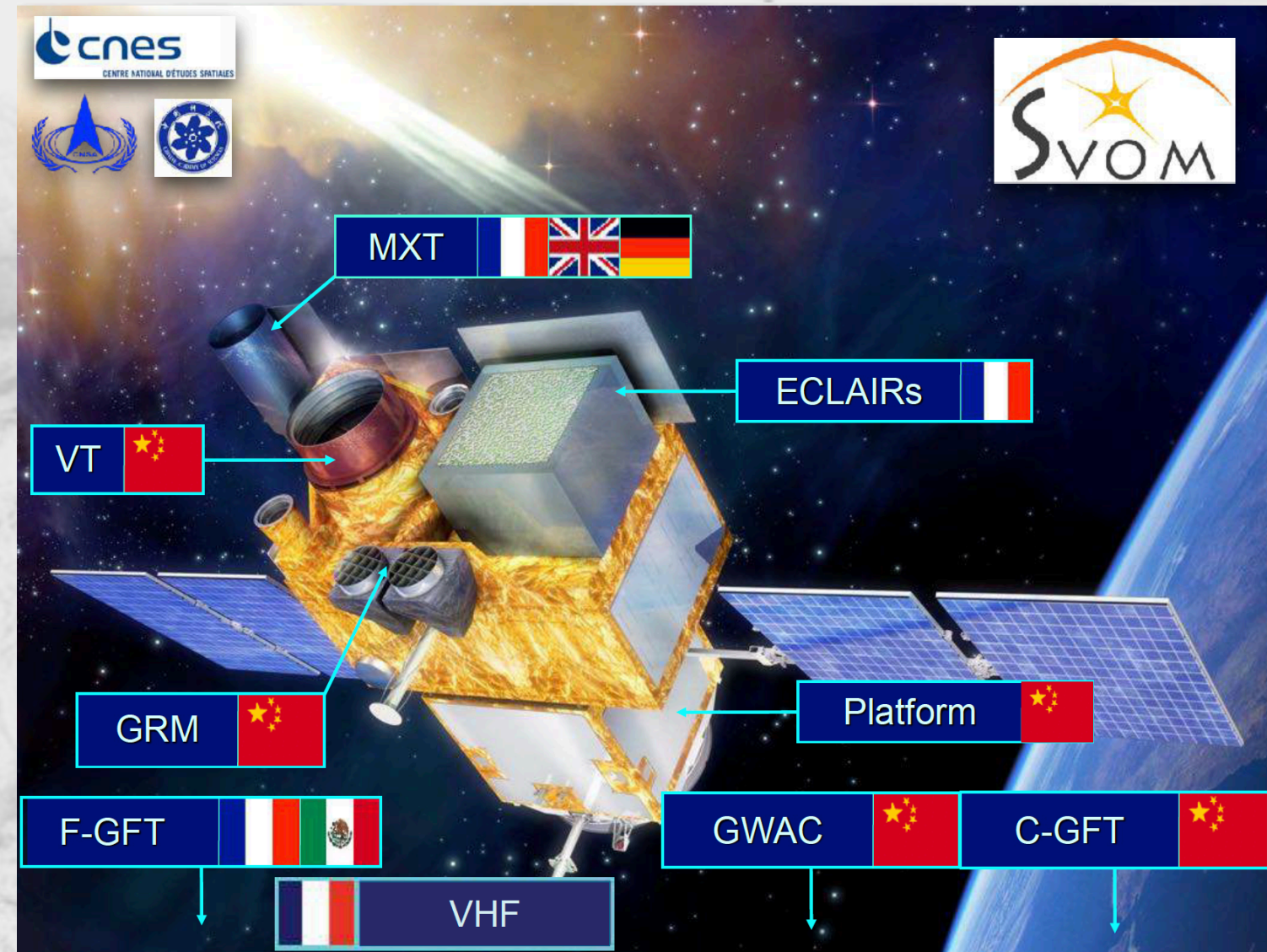
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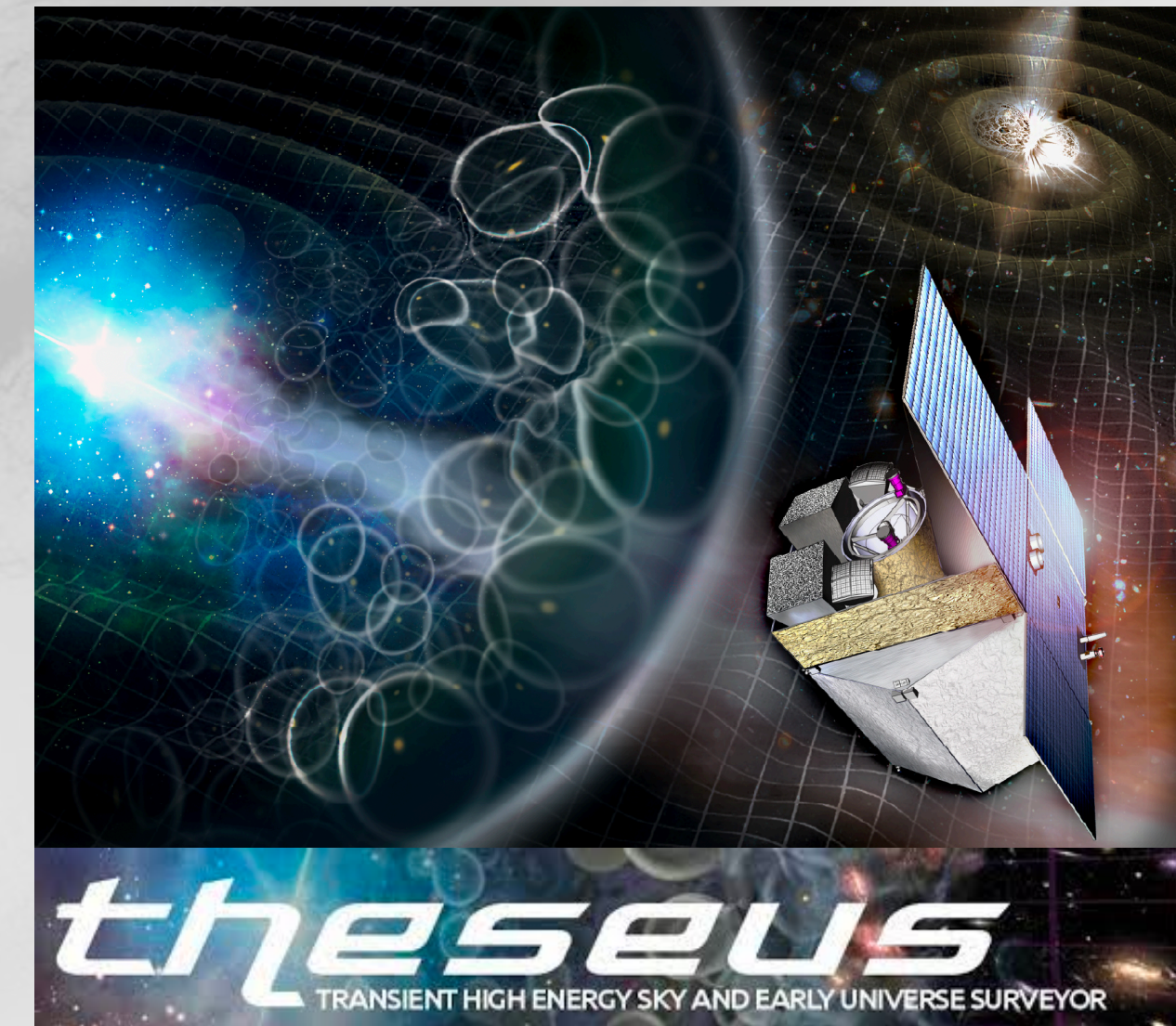
SVOM



<https://www.svom.eu/>

See Maria Grazia Bernardini's Talk!

THESEUS



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FUTURE OBSERVING FACILITIES

Payload:

-Soft X-ray Imager

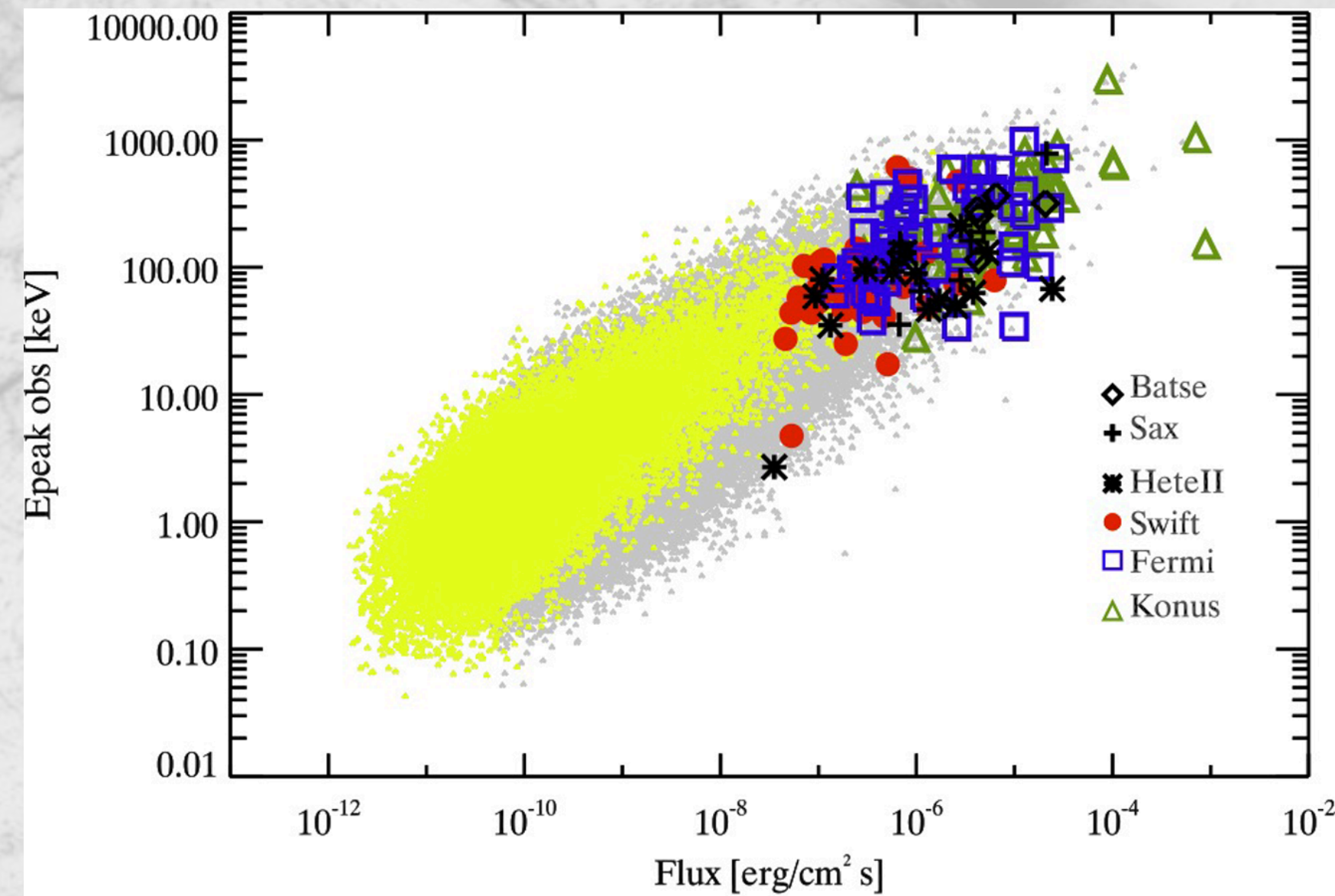
(SXI, 0.3 – 5 keV)

-X-Gamma rays Imaging Spectrometer

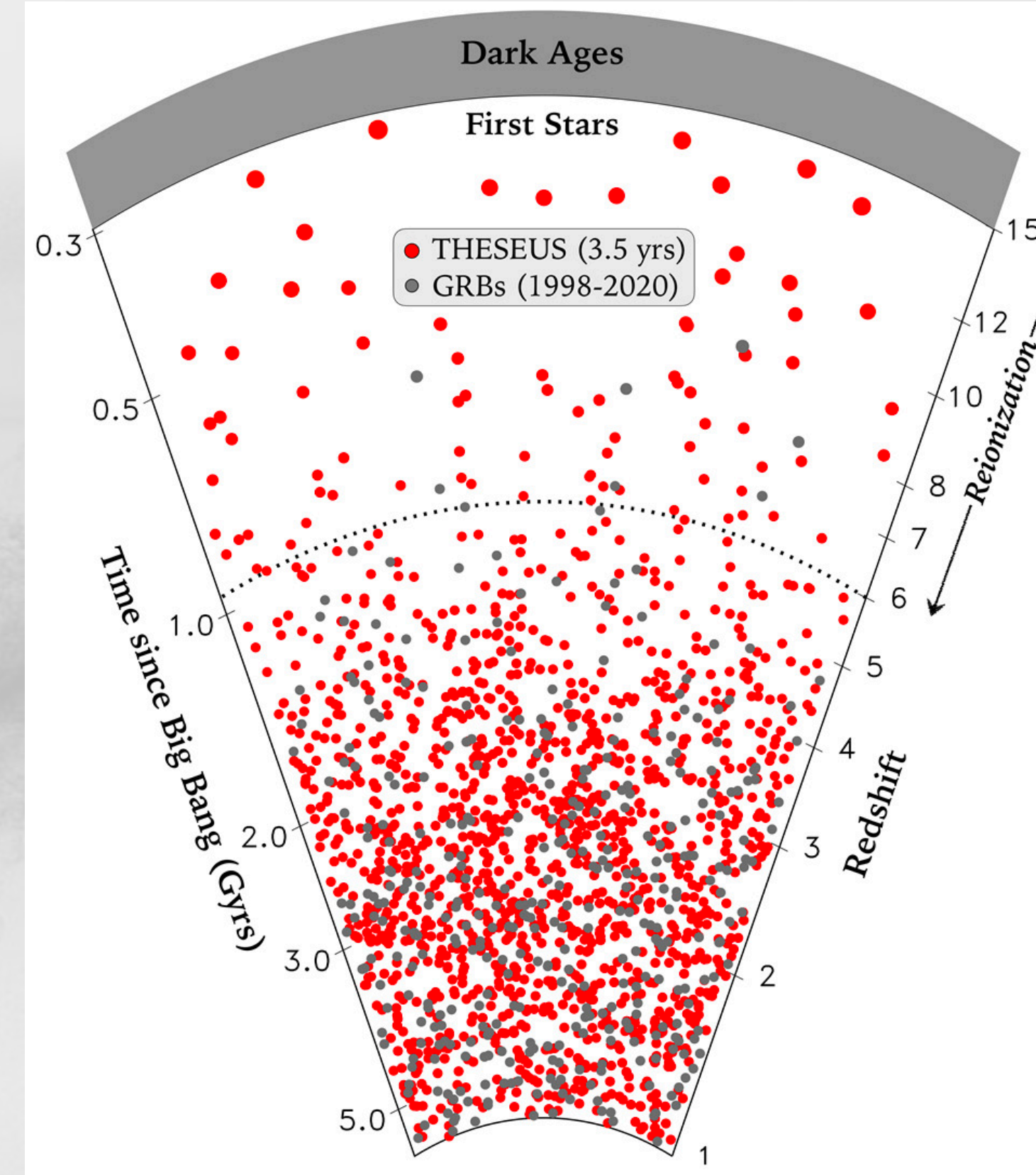
(XGIS, 2 keV – 10 MeV)

-InfraRed Telescope

(IRT, 0.7 – 1.8 μm)



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GRBV★

Saccardi et al. (submitted)

Krongold & Prochaska 2013

GRB210905A

$$\text{Log } L_{\text{iso}} = 53.27 \pm 0.7 \text{ erg s}^{-1}$$

$$E_{\text{X}} = 4.1 \times 10^{51} \text{ erg}$$

GRB050730

$$\text{Log } L_{\text{iso}} = 51.85 \pm 0.4 \text{ erg s}^{-1}$$

$$E_{\text{X}} = 8.8 \times 10^{52} \text{ erg}$$

Using the burst luminosity and the spectral and temporal parameters, we determined a number of ionizing photons ~ 30 times higher than the GRB050730 average value

$$\phi = \frac{E}{h} \frac{\int_{t_0}^{t_1} \int_{\nu_0}^{\nu_1} t^{-\alpha} \nu^{-\beta-1}}{\int_{t_0}^{t_1} \int_{\nu_0}^{\nu_1} t^{-\alpha} \nu^{-\beta}}$$