

Status and first results of SVOM Observatory Science

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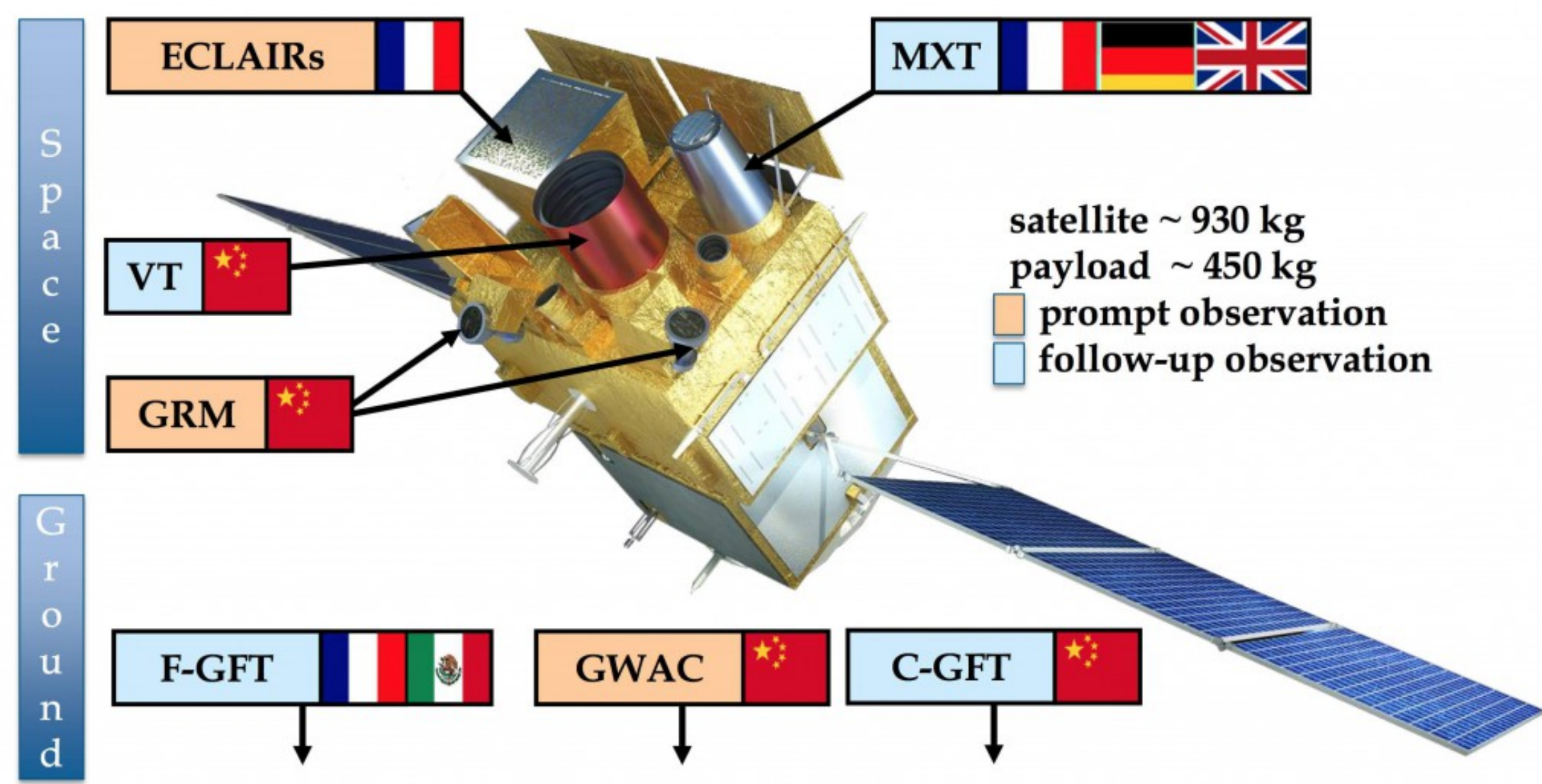


SVOM MISSION

Launched on June 22, 2024 from Xichang, China

4 instruments:

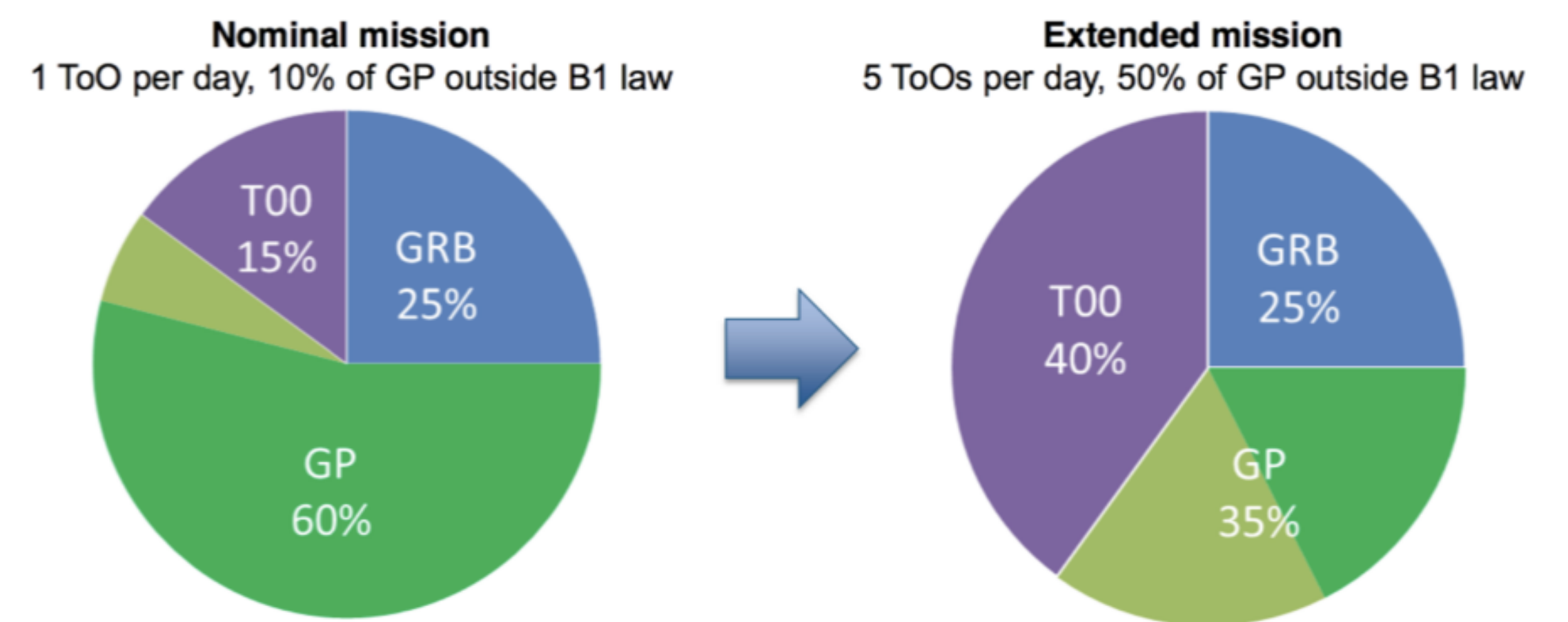
- ECLAIRs Large field of view Coded-mask telescope (4 to 150 keV)
- MXT Focusing X-ray telescope (0.3 to 10 keV)
- GRM Gamma-Ray Monitor: 3 modules detecting in 15 keV to 5 MeV
- VT Visible Telescope



Alert transmission to ground through VHF network and Beidou
 → 65% of alerts < 30s
 → Fast multi-wavelength follow-up observations

OBSERVATORY SCIENCE

Science operations started early 2025



→ General Program (GP):

- Regular observations of a list of sources (pointings driven by MXT and VT)
- Mainly sources located outside of the galactic plane (B1 law)
- Multi-wavelength observations with all instruments

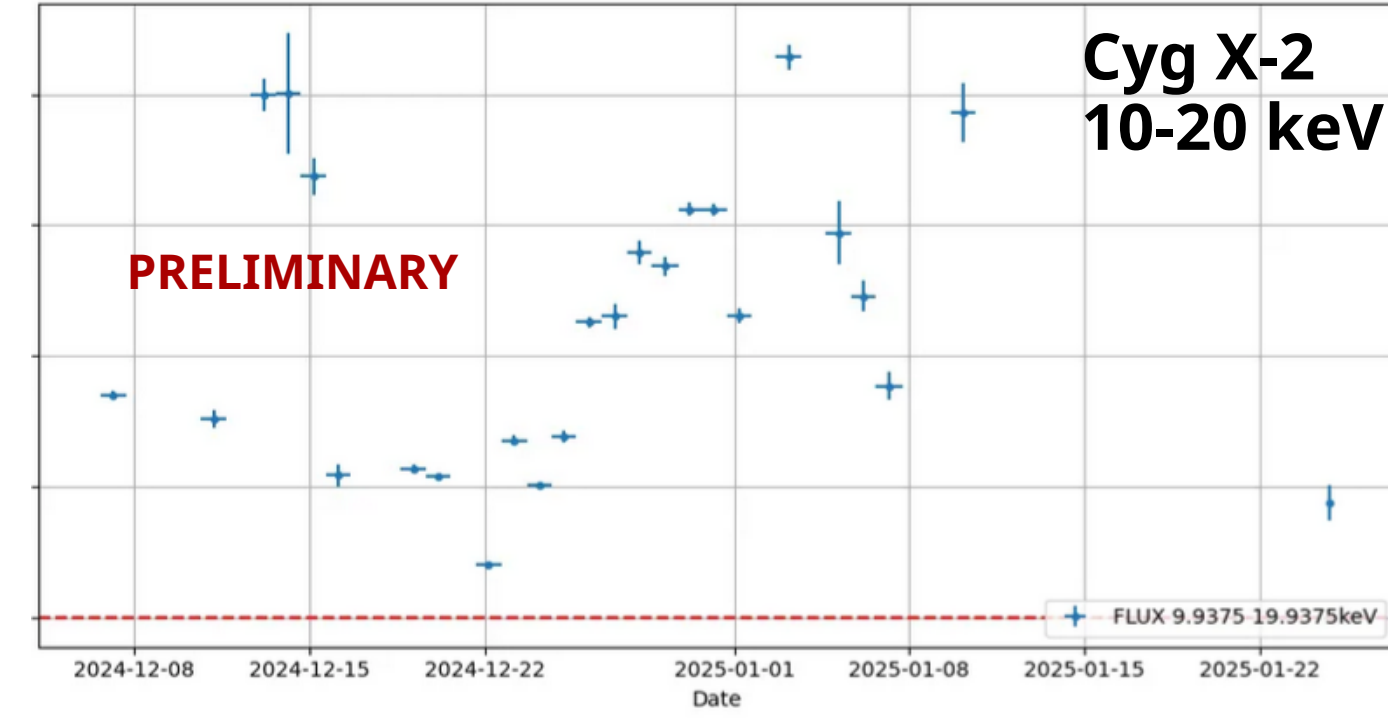
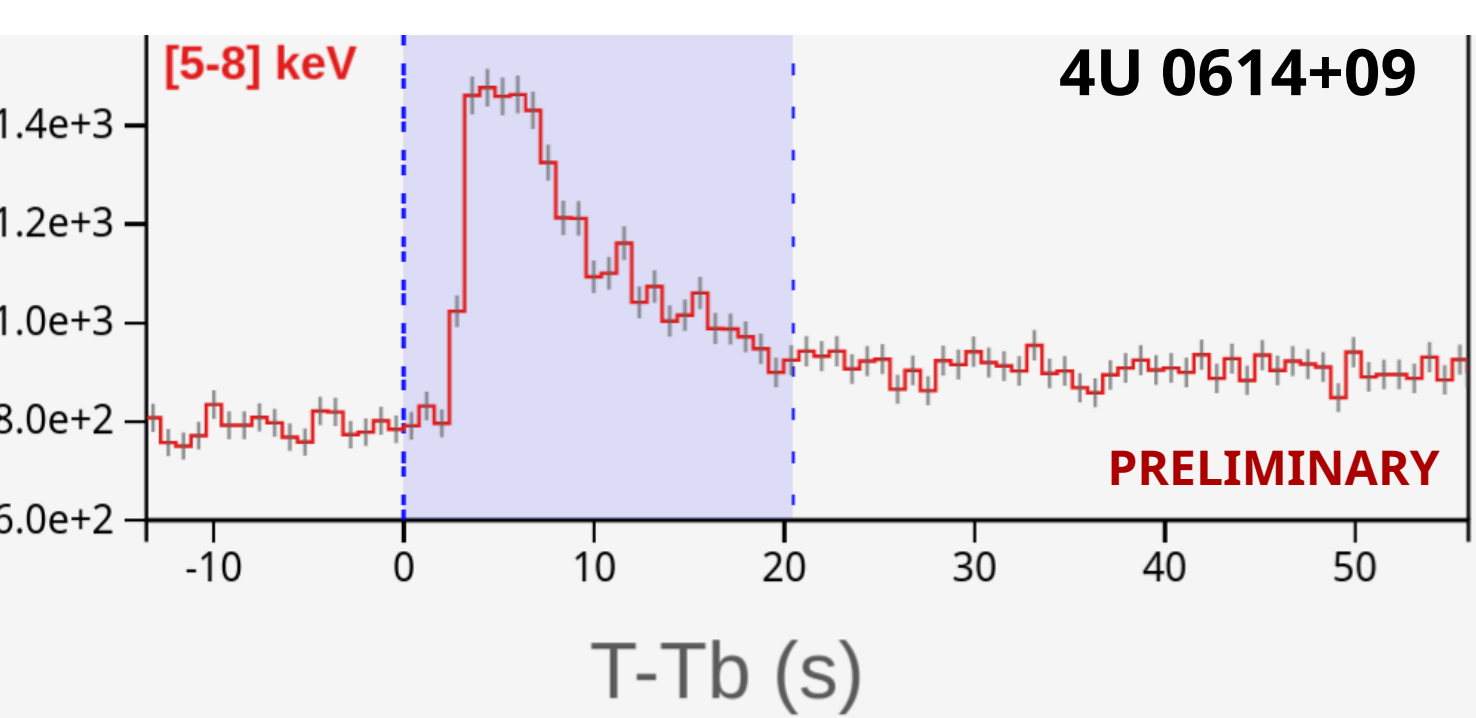
→ Target Of Opportunity Program (ToO):

- Nominal ToOs: new transients, GP sources, GRB revisits (1/day)
- Multi-messenger alert follow-up (Gravitational Waves, Cosmic Neutrinos)
- Exceptional ToOs (not interrupted by GRBs)

→ Serendipitous transient observations

SERENDIPITOUS TRANSIENTS

ECLAIRs large field of view (90°x90°) → Potentially multiple sources observed simultaneously



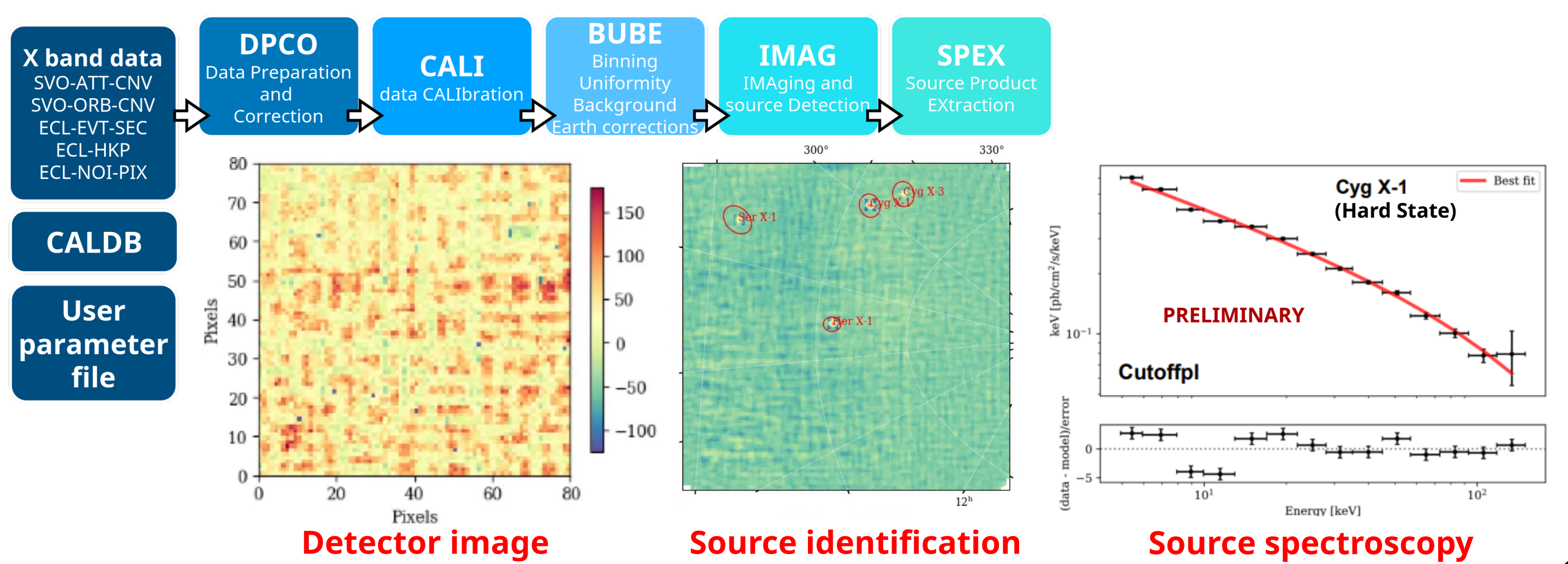
Trigger system:
 - Time delay: few seconds (on-board trigger) to few hours (offline trigger)
 - Alerts for fast X-ray transients
 - Relevant sources: binaries, particularly NS Type I X-ray bursts, blazars

Source monitoring:
 - Few hours delay
 - Alert generation system in progress
 - Data not public (yet)
 - Relevant sources: AGNs, BHs, Classical Novae...

DATA ANALYSIS PIPELINE

- Ground segment automated data processing
- High-level scientific products from X-band (high bandwidth) data
- Few hours delay

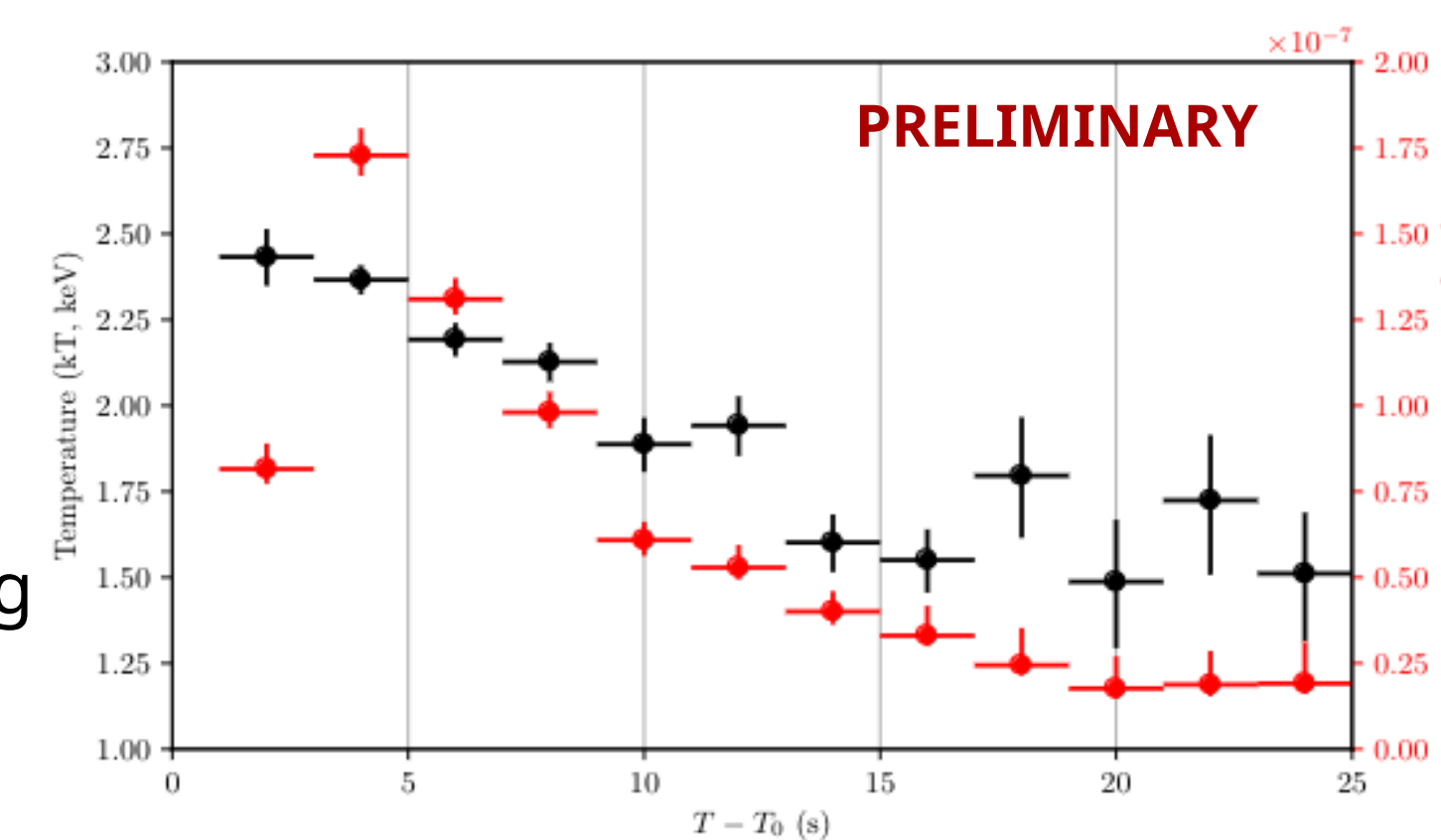
ECLAIRs Xband data Analysis Pipeline (Quicklook Analysis):



PRELIMINARY RESULTS

LMXB 4U 0614+09 THERMONUCLEAR BURST OSCILLATIONS

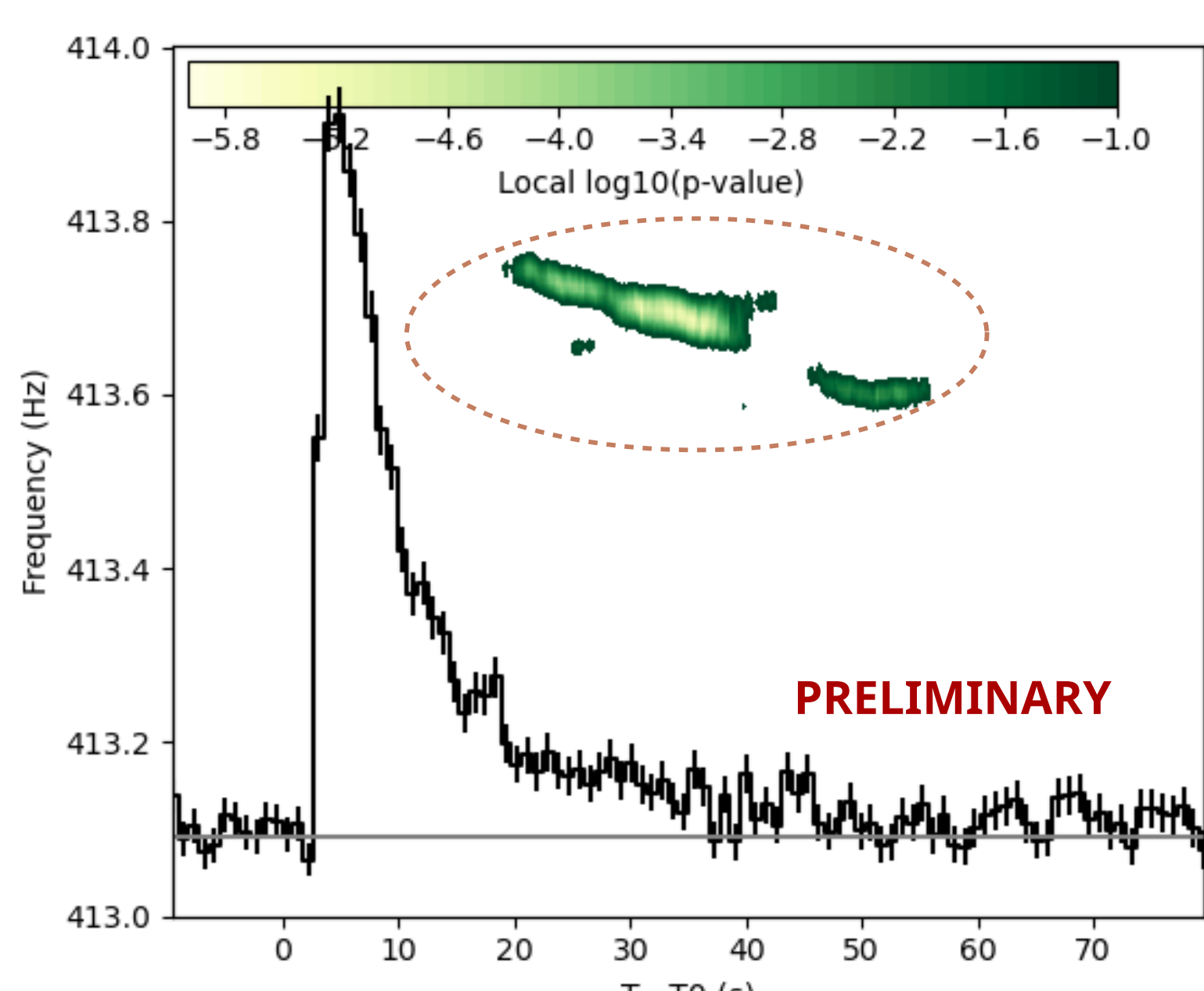
- Burst detected on January 10th 2025
- On-board ECLAIRs Trigger¹
- Thermonuclear (Type I) X-Ray burst
- Time-resolved spectroscopy shows cooling



→ Significant detection of burst oscillations
 → $f = 413.7$ Hz
 → Previously detected by Swift/BAT at $f = 414.7$ Hz in a 2006 burst²

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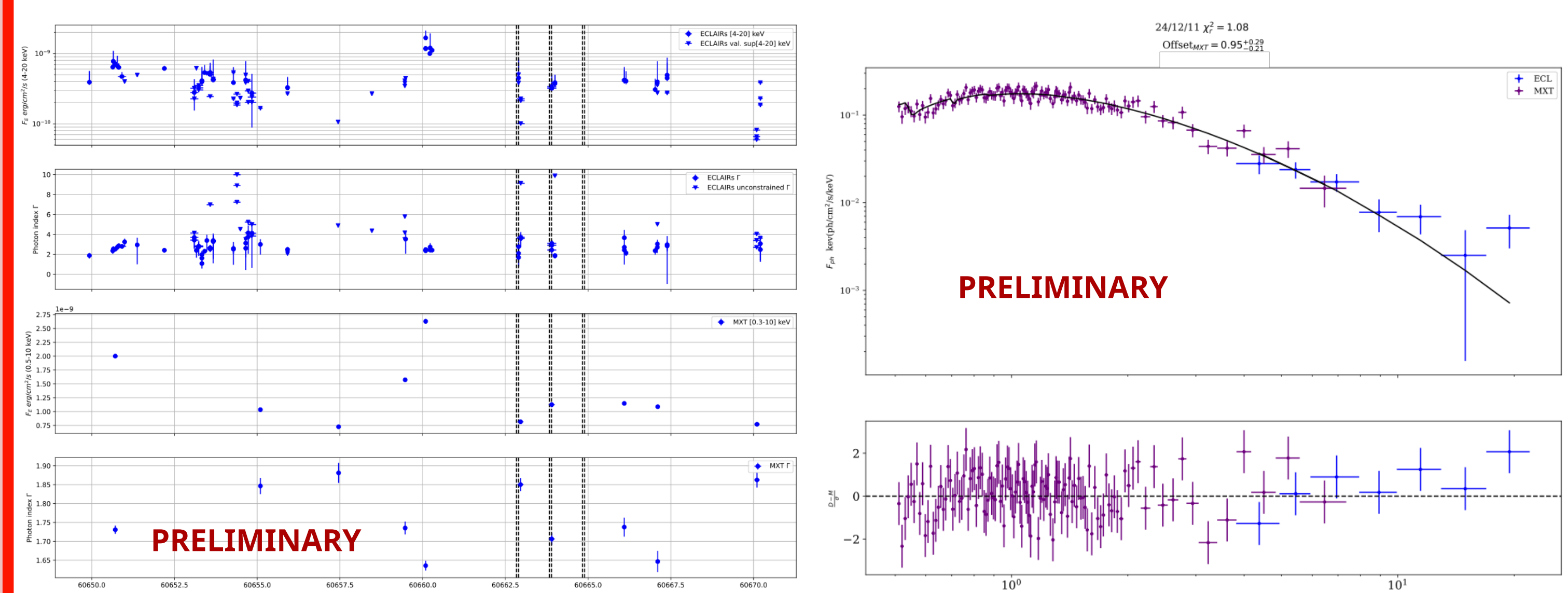


ECLAIRs background-corrected lightcurve in 4-20 keV
 Background only p-value contours from Z_n^2 test computed in 20 second rolling time window

MONITORING OF THE BLAZAR 1ES 1959+650

- X-Ray flare detected on December 6th 2024 by ECLAIRs³
- Regular multi-wavelength observations with ECLAIRs + MXT⁴
- Follow-up observations by Swift^{5,6}

- Multi-wavelength monitoring to probe acceleration processes
- Harder-when-brighter behavior observed during the flare
- Joint simultaneous MXT-ECLAIRs fit with log-parabola model



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