



Circularly Polarized FRB: Bunching Curvature Radiation

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OUTLINES

Background

Bunching CR

Polarization Property

Summary

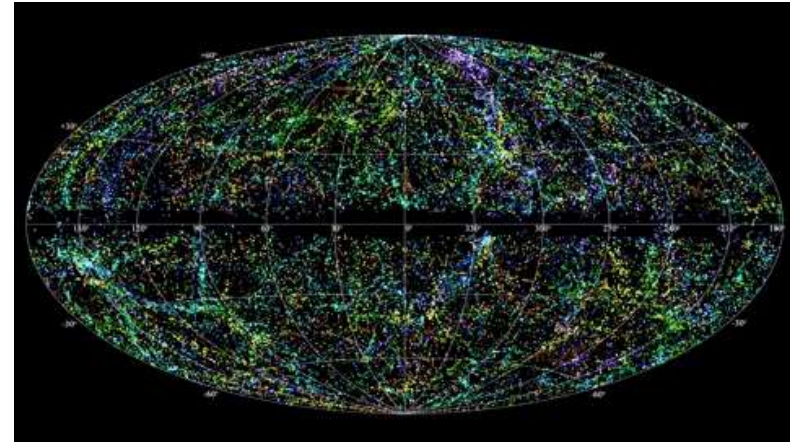
Fast Radio Burst

Hundreds of FRBs

Dozens of repeaters

One FRB-like burst from Galactic magnetar

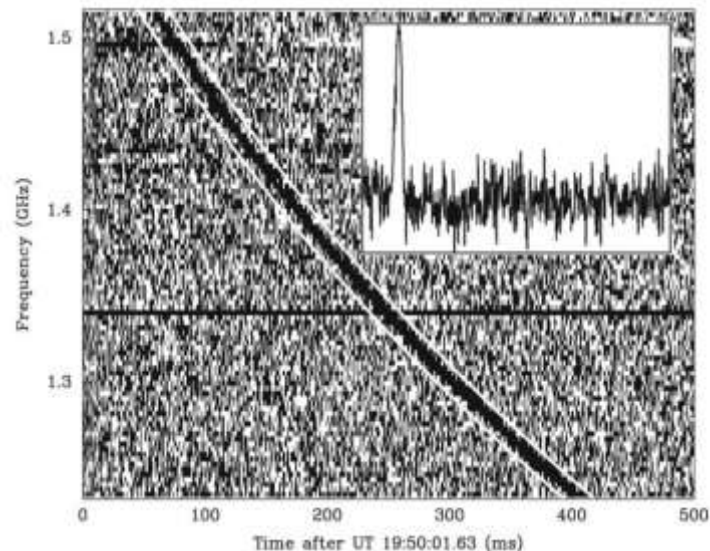
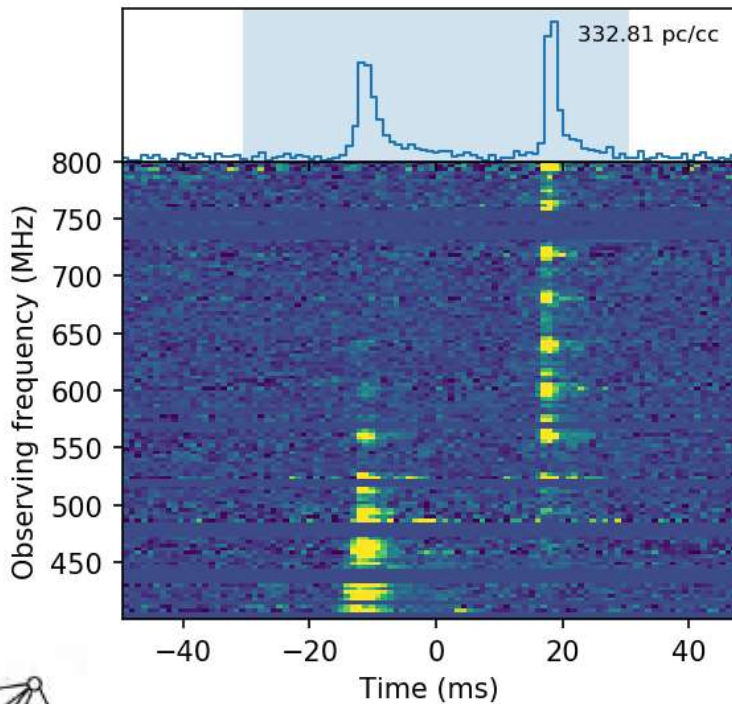
More than 10 were localized precisely



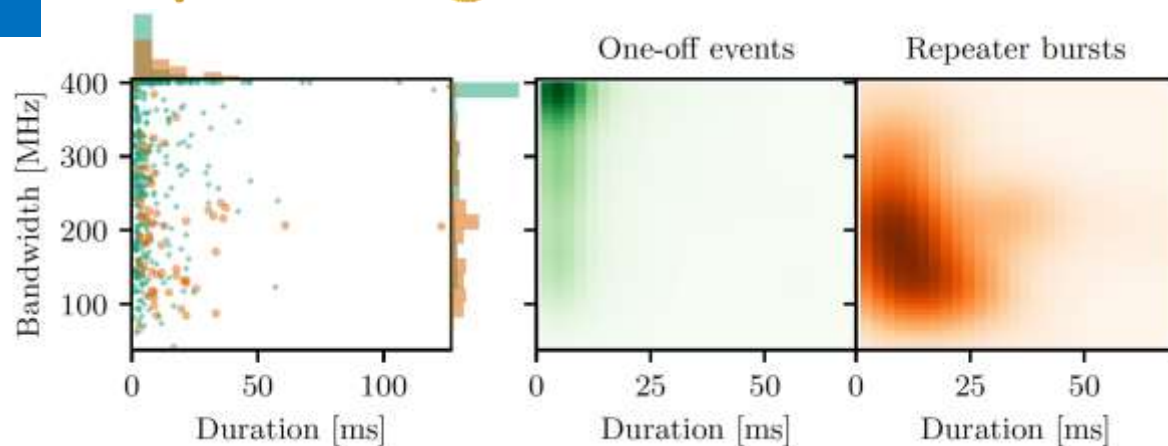
Large DM

Spatial distribution

Cosmological origin

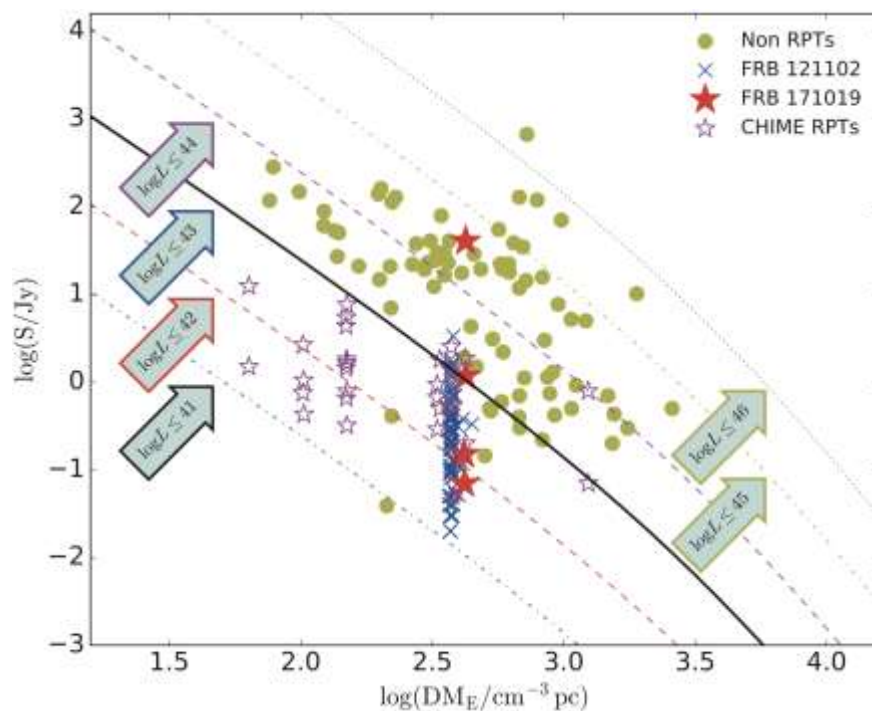


Repeating FRB



Repeaters favor **narrowband**
and **long duration**

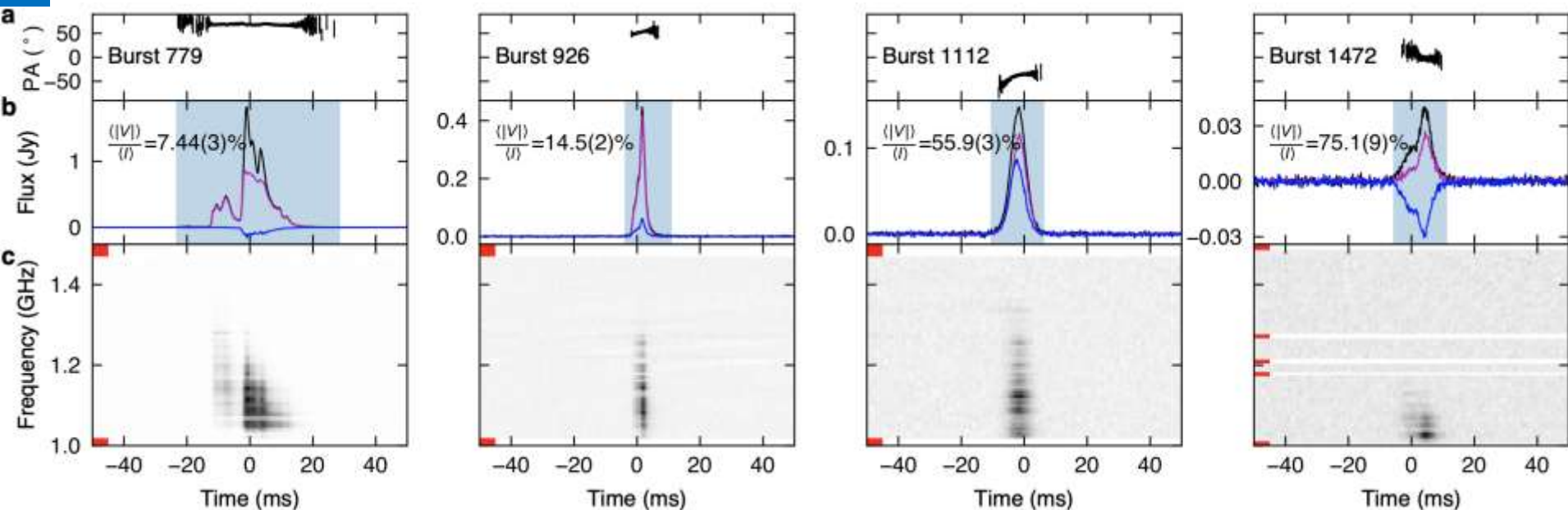
Pleunis et al. 2021



Open question: whether all can repeat?

Jiang et al. 2020

LP and CP



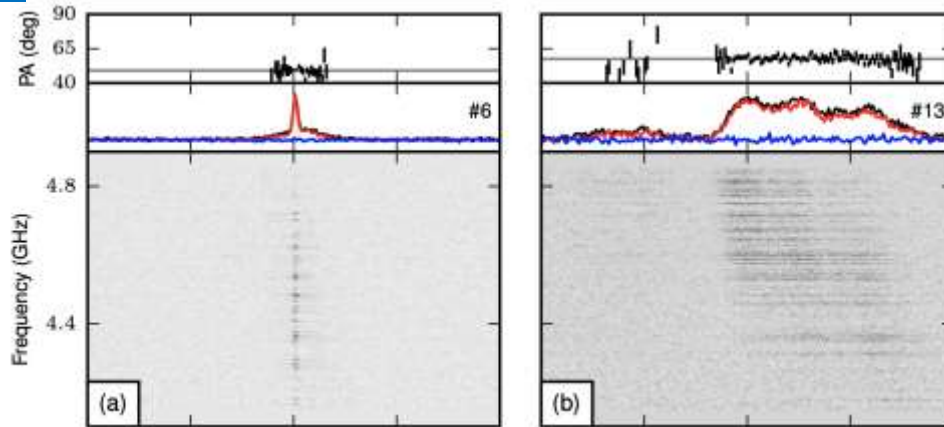
Xu et al. 2021

FRB Source	Band (GHz)	LP (%)	CP (%)	PA
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Both highly **linear** and **circular** polarization fraction

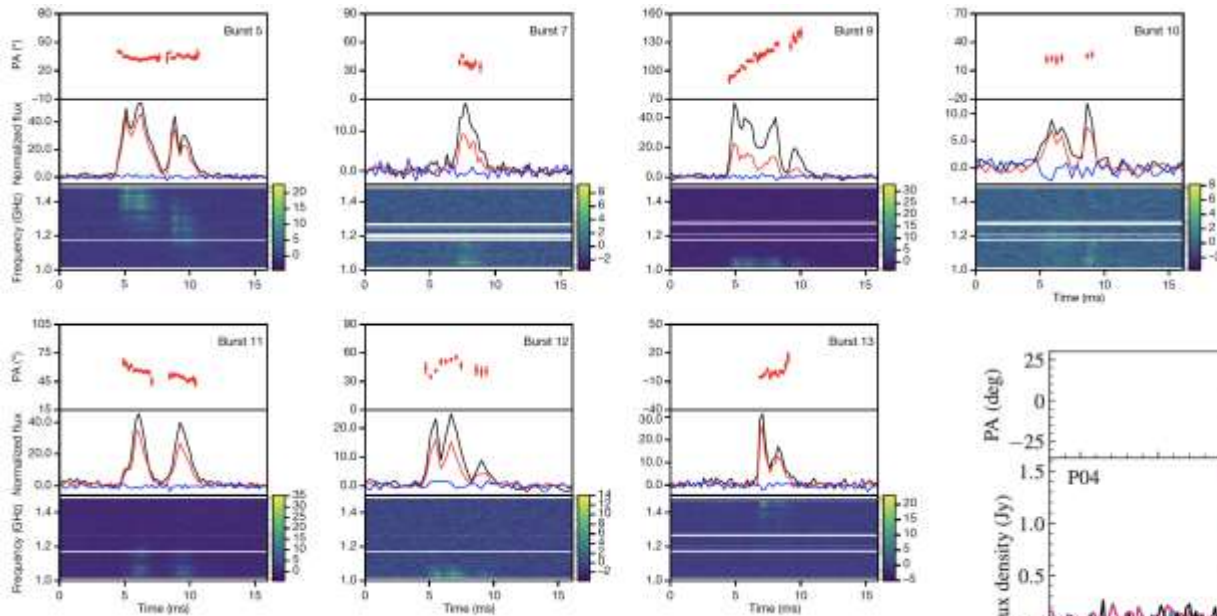
Most are highly **linearly** polarized

Polarization Angel



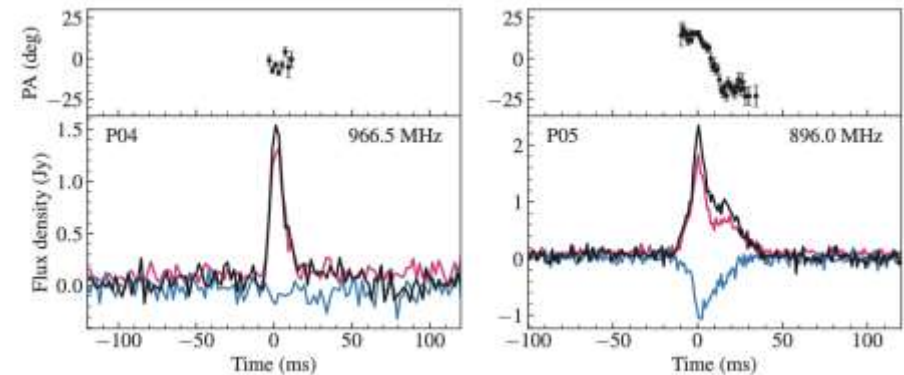
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Both **flat** and **variable** PA envelope

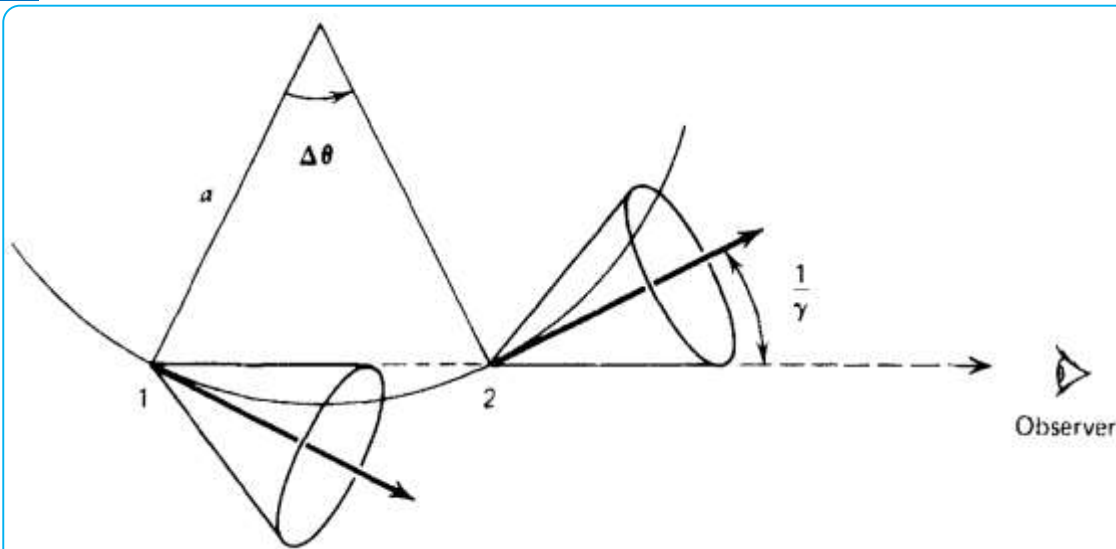


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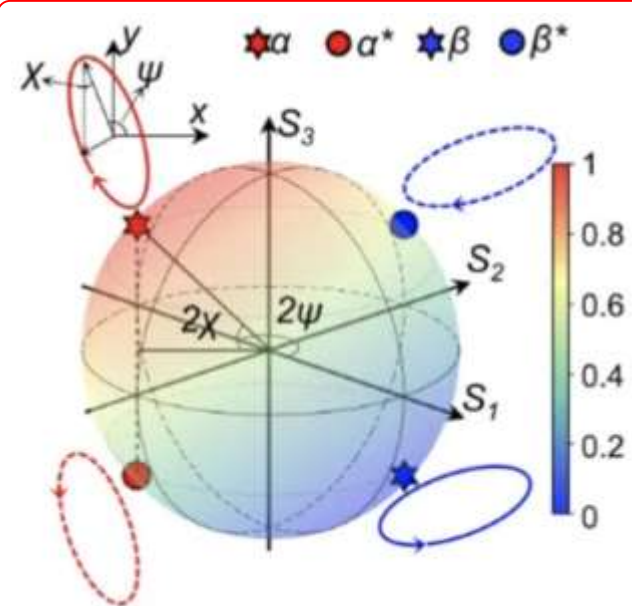
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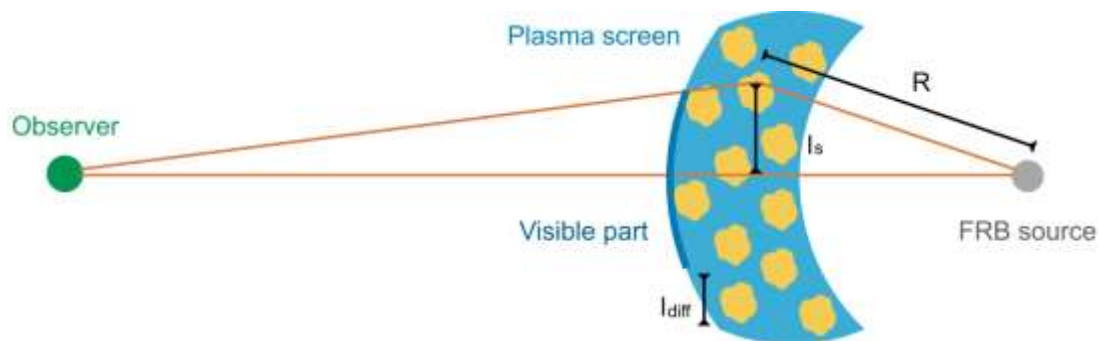
Intrinsic or Propagation?



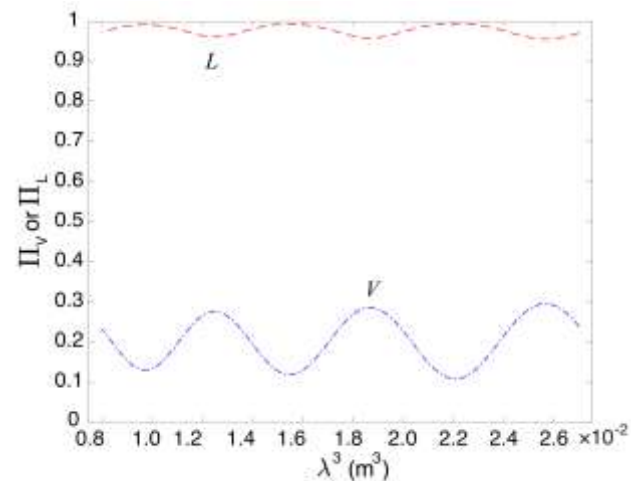
Intrinsic mechanism



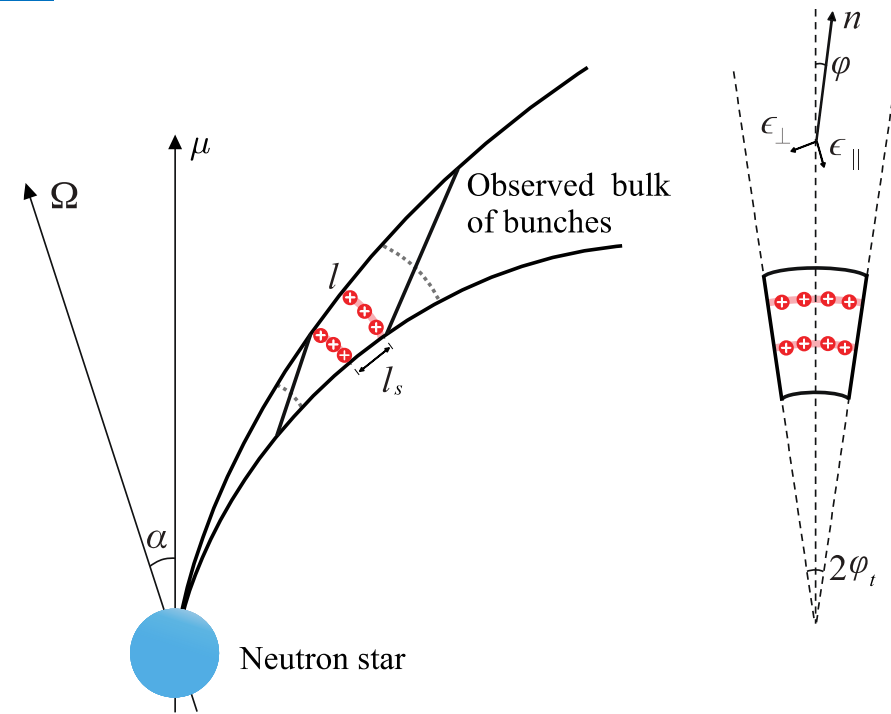
Radiative transferring



Multi-path effect



Curvature radiation from charges



The bulk size is much larger than half-wave length:

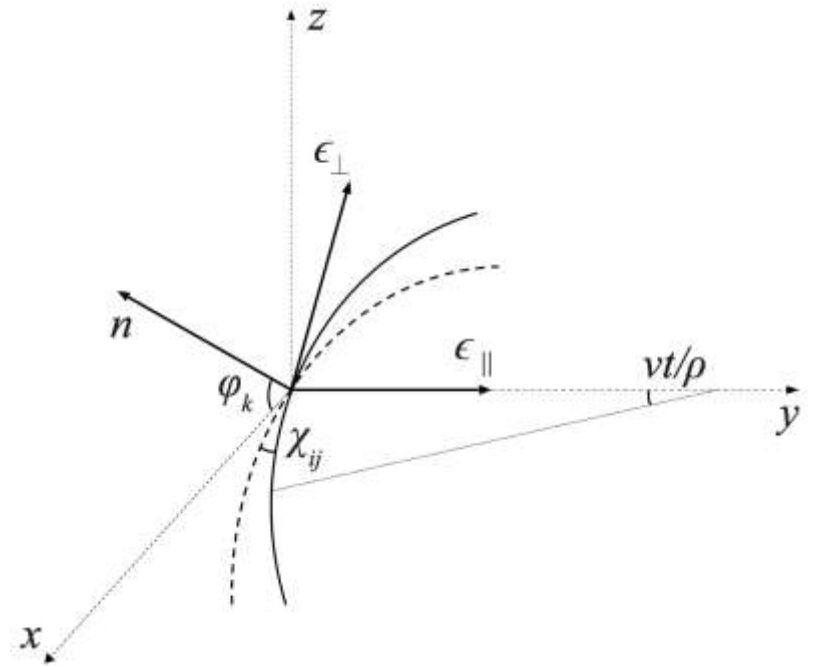
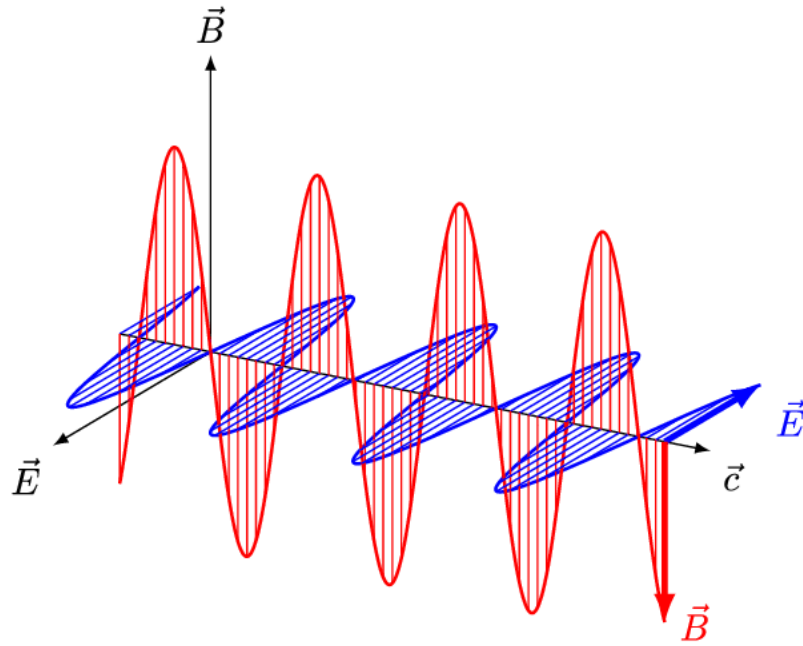
$$N \text{ electrons} \begin{cases} N_e \text{ in bunches (coherent)} \\ N_B \text{ bunches (adding incoherently)} \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{L} \propto N_B N_e^2$$

$$t_c \approx \frac{N \gamma m_e c^2}{\mathcal{L}} \approx 1.8 \times 10^{-12} \rho_7^2 \gamma_2^{-3} N_{e,22}^{-1} \text{ s} \quad \text{Cooling very fast}$$

$$E_{\parallel} \simeq \frac{2 \gamma^4 N_e e}{3 \rho^2} \simeq 3.2 \times 10^6 \gamma_2^4 N_{e,22} \rho_7^{-2} \text{ esu.}$$

Curvature radiation

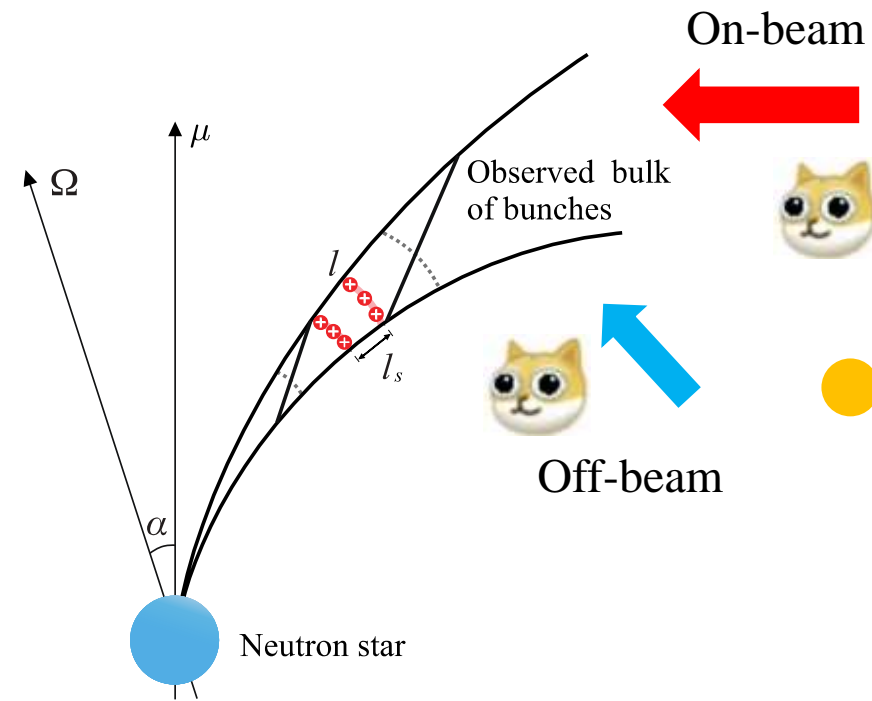


Several equations easy to get

$$A_{\parallel,i} \simeq \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \frac{\rho}{c} \frac{N_{\theta}}{\Delta\theta_s} \frac{N_{\phi}}{2\varphi_t} \int_{\chi_{d,i}}^{\chi_{u,i}} d\chi' \int_{\varphi_d}^{\varphi_u} \left[i \left(\frac{1}{\gamma^2} + \varphi'^2 + \chi'^2 \right) K_{\frac{2}{3}}(\xi) + \chi' \left(\frac{1}{\gamma^2} + \varphi'^2 + \chi'^2 \right)^{1/2} K_{\frac{1}{3}}(\xi) \right] \cos \varphi' d\varphi',$$

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Curvature radiation

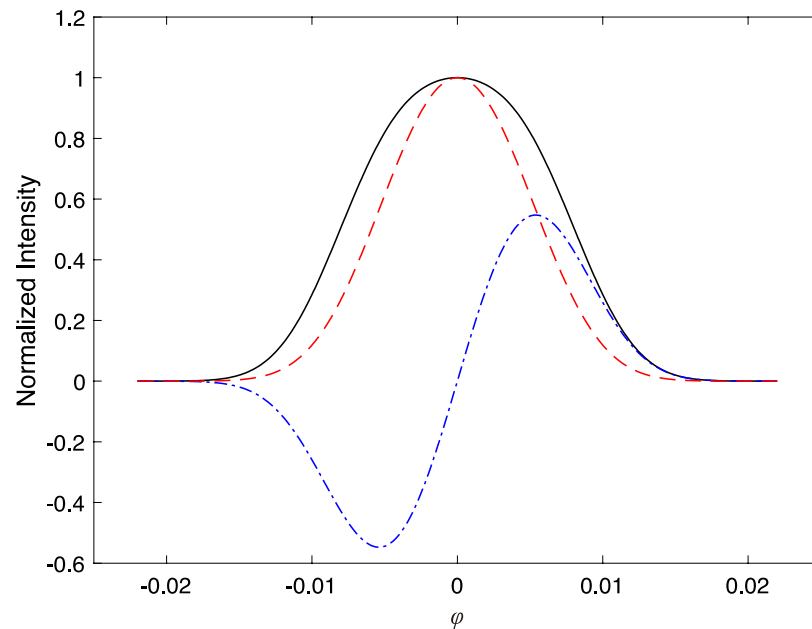


Linear polarization

Circular polarization

Beam center:
100% **LP**
Sign change of **CP**

Off-beam:
High **CP** fraction



The truly width

What is the duration of a transient?



I am staring at the lamp. Lights on for 10 minutes.

Duration is 10 min



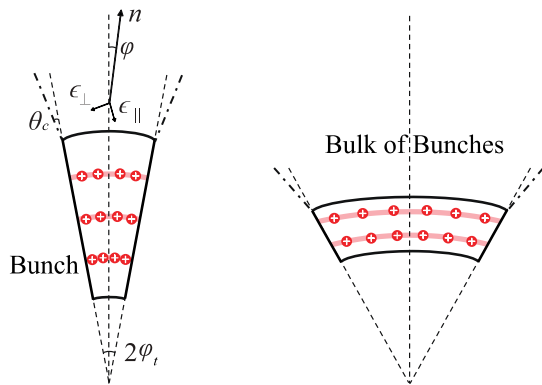
I just saw lights on for 5 minutes.

Duration is 5 min

$$w \simeq \frac{\min(t_{\text{int}}, \theta_{\text{jet}} / \Omega)}{1 + z},$$

Intrinsic persistence?
Jet sweep LOS?

CR from bunches



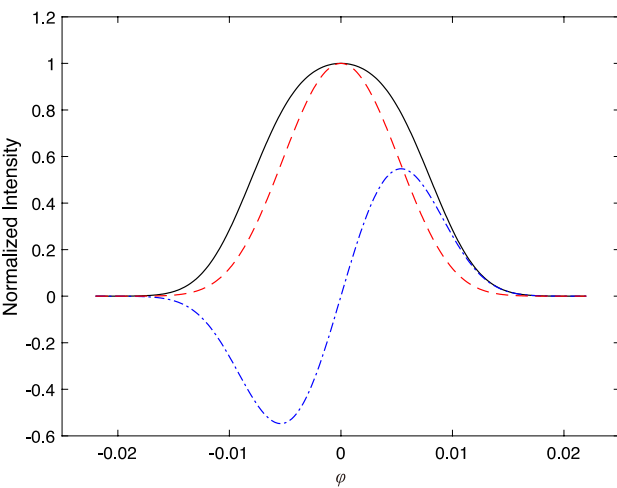
Thick Bulk

(a)

Thin Bulk

(b)

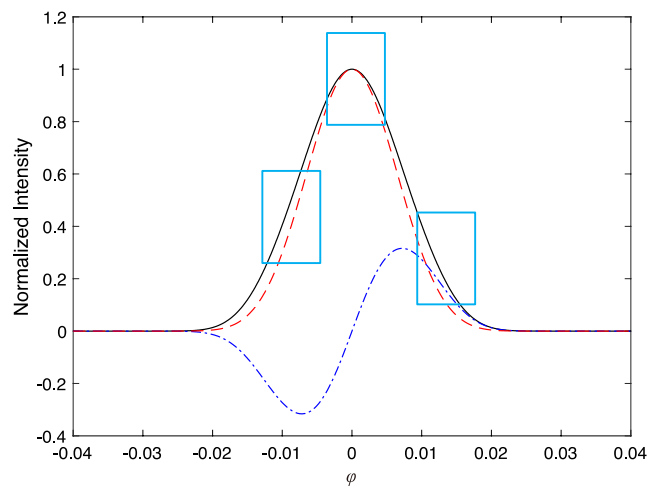
For thick bulk



(a)

$$\varphi_t = 0.1/\gamma$$

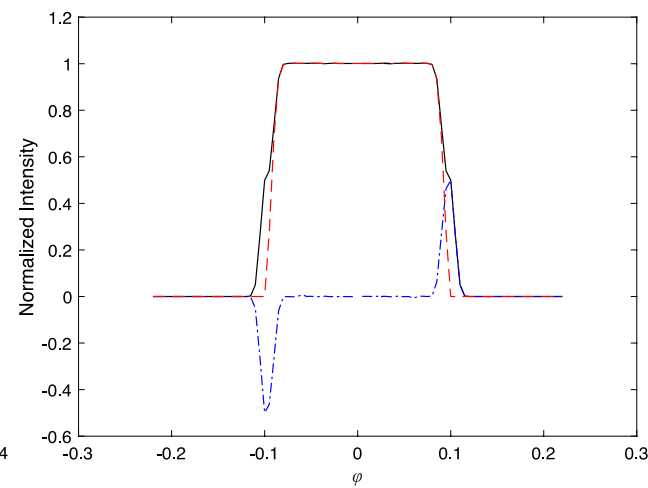
$$\langle V/l \rangle = 54\%$$



(b)

$$\varphi_t = 1/\gamma$$

$$\langle V/l \rangle = 38\%$$

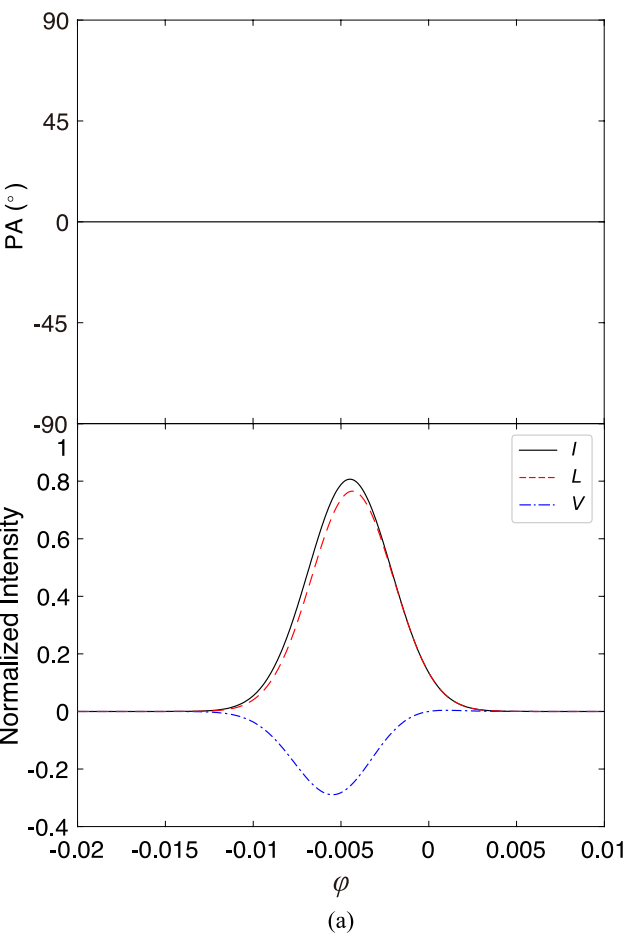


(c)

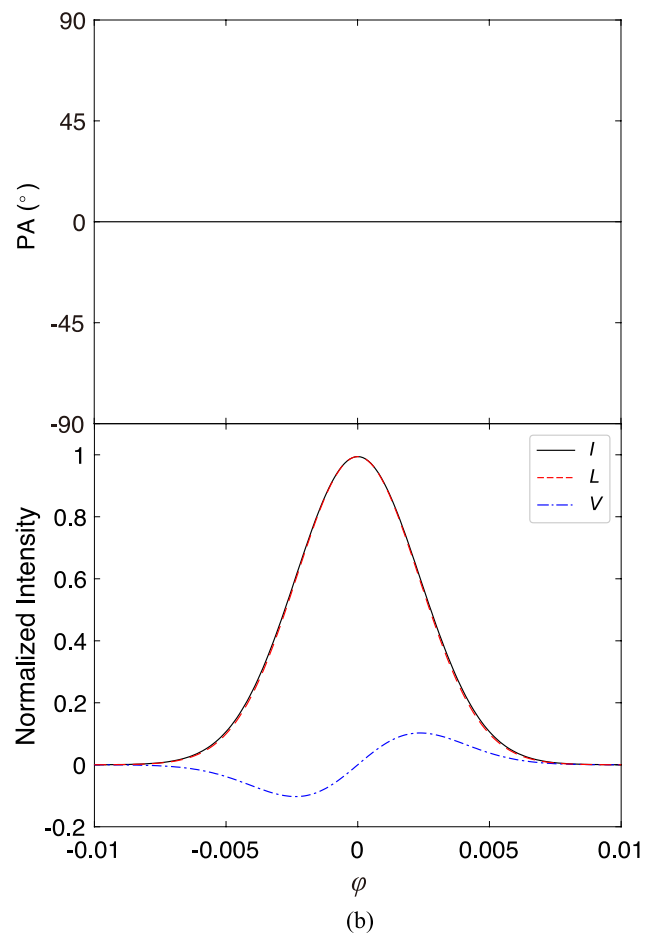
$$\varphi_t = 10/\gamma$$

$$\langle V/l \rangle = 0\%$$

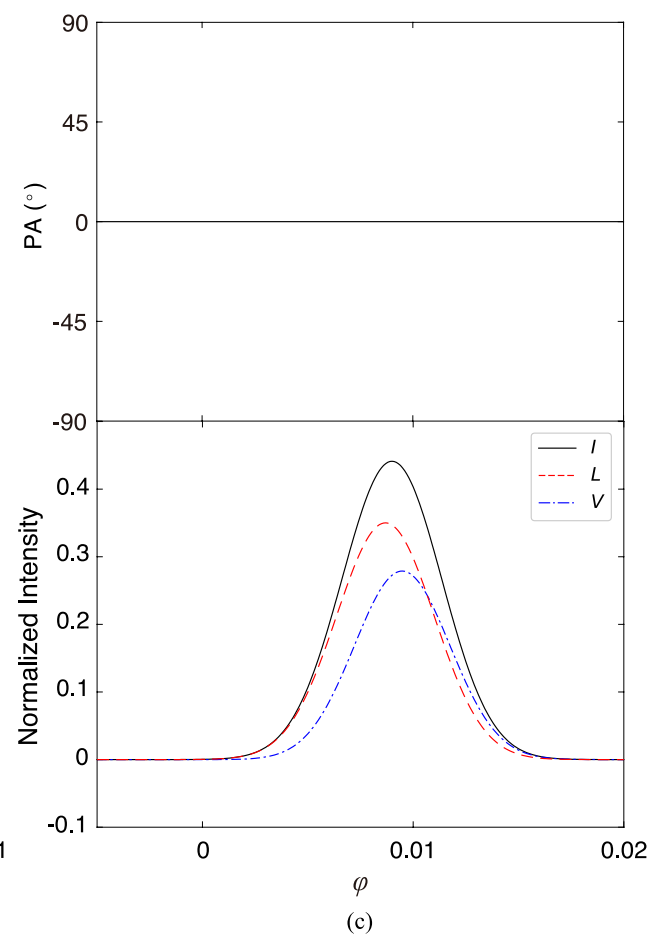
Observation window



$$\langle V/I \rangle = 32.2\%$$



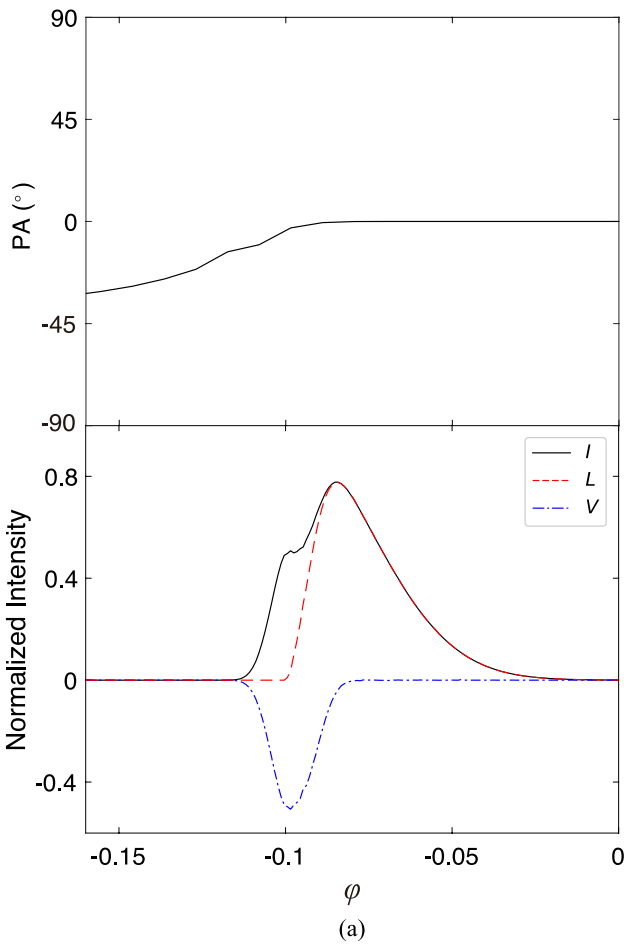
$$\langle V/I \rangle = 13.5\%$$



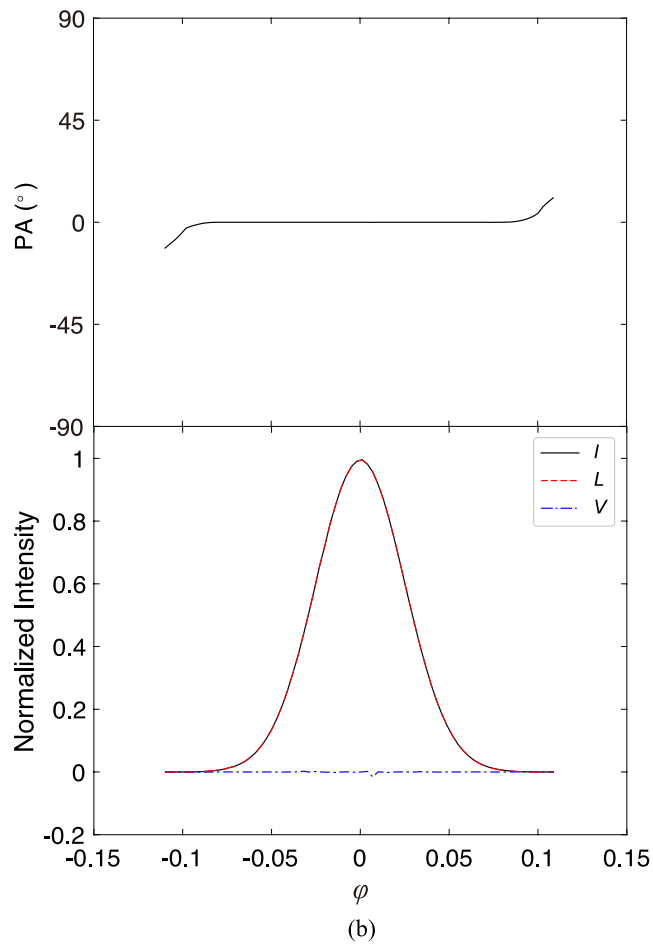
$$\langle V/I \rangle = 60.2\%$$

Thin bunch with $\varphi_t = 1/\gamma$

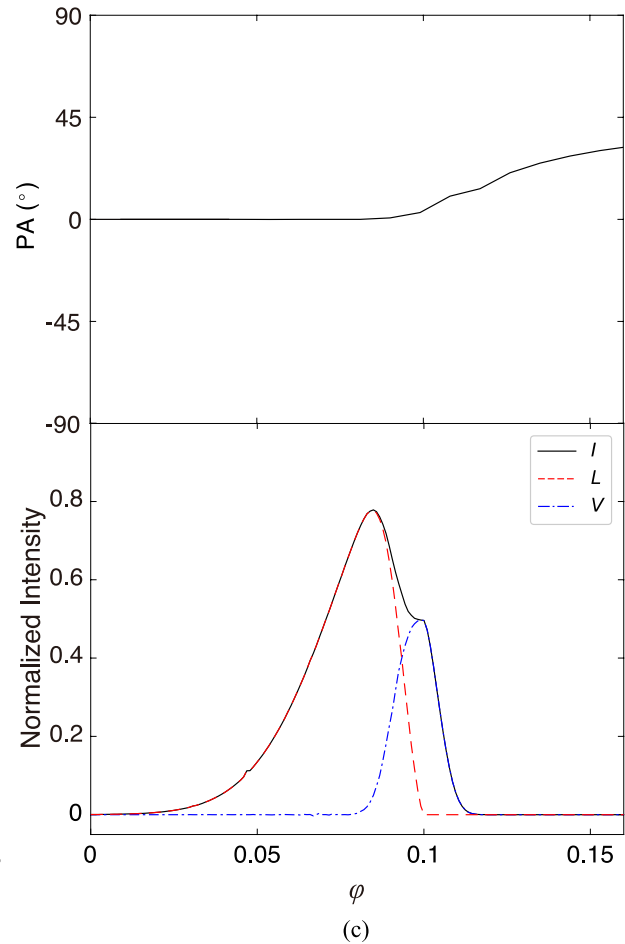
Observation window



$$\langle V/I \rangle = 25.4\%$$



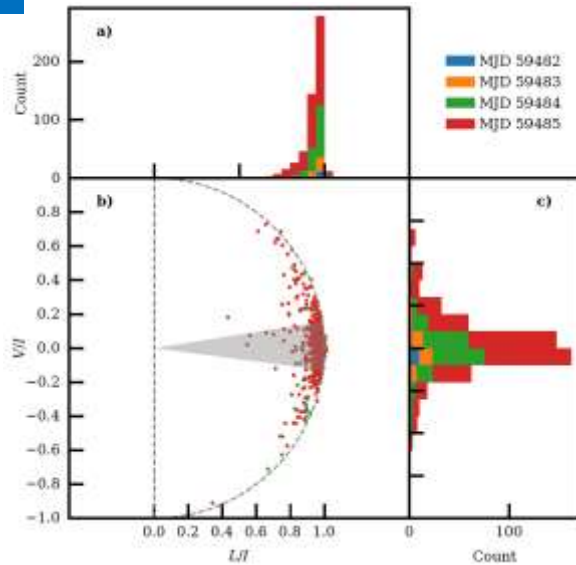
$$\langle V/I \rangle = 0\%$$



$$\langle V/I \rangle = 25.4\%$$

Thin bunch with $\varphi_t = 10/\gamma$

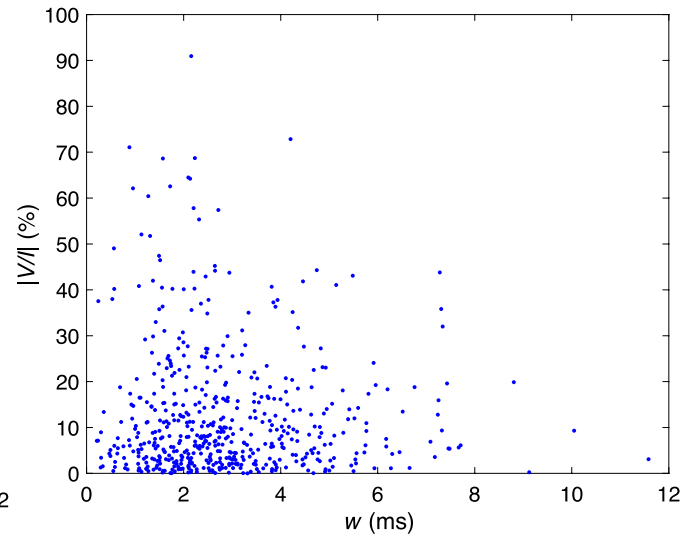
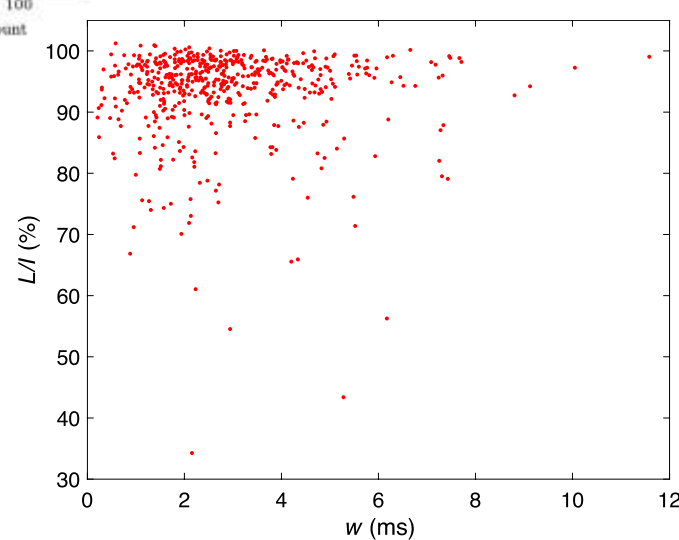
Observational Polarization



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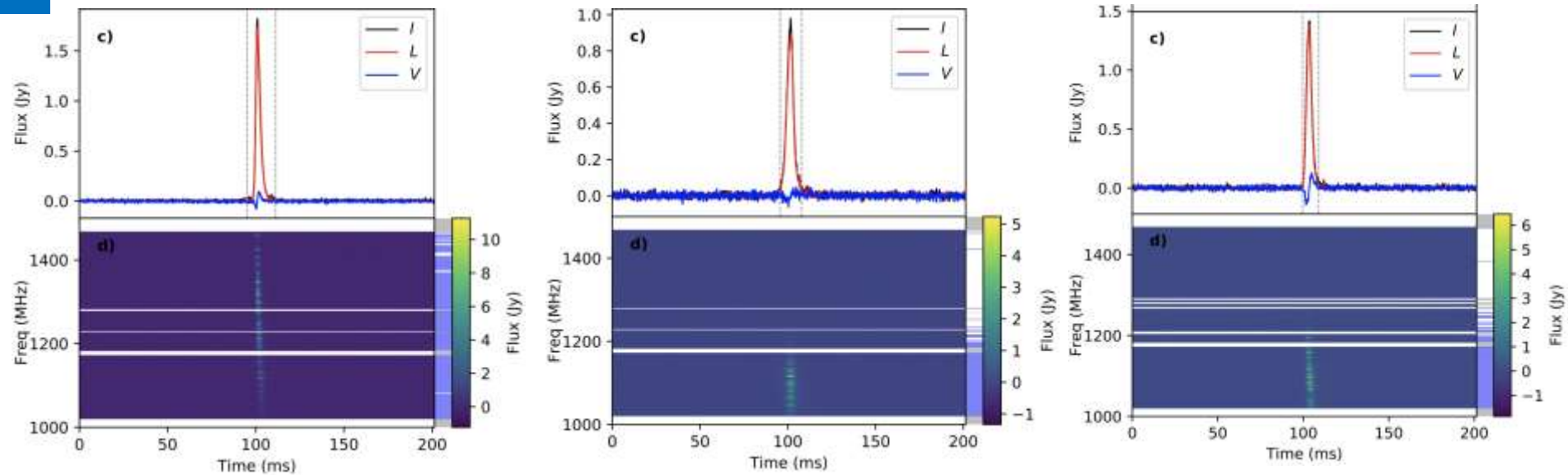
536 burst:

$P/I > 90\%$: $> 90\%$
 V/I from 0 to 75%
 Most have high LP

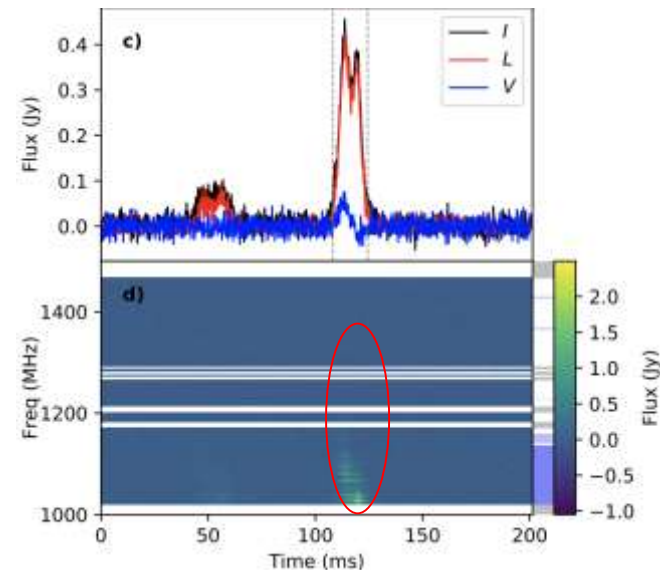


Thin bulk is most likely

FRB 20201124A



3 among 536 bursts have sign change of CP!



Sub-pulse structure here
Not sign change within one pulse

Bunch length is **not** related to the opening angle

Summary

Thanks !



- **Most** bunches seem to have opening angle, which is larger than $1/\gamma$. i.e., **thin bulk**.
- Rare chance for observing **sign change** of CP. Unless the central axis is located at the observation window.
- **High CP** is created within the **off-beam** case.
- Prediction: **No sign** change of CP could observe if $\langle V/I \rangle$ is larger than **60%**.
- **Propagation** effects may play a role: Stokes parameters **oscillate** with wavelength.