Swift Observation of GRB 080702A

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1 Introduction

BAT triggered on GRB 080702A at 11:50:43 UT (Trigger 315710) (De Pasquale *et al.*, *GCN Circ*. 7920), a short burst with $T_{90} = 0.5 \pm 0.2$ sec. Swift slewed to this burst immediately and XRT and UVOT began follow-up observations at T + 66 sec. Our best position is the XRT location RA(J2000) = 313.05081deg (20h52m12.20s), Dec(J2000) = +72.31271deg (+72d18'45.8'') with an error of 1.9 arcsec (90% confidence, including boresight uncertainties).

2 BAT Observation and Analysis

Using the data set from T-120 to T+182 sec, further analysis of BAT GRB 080702 has been performed by Swift team (Krimm, et al., GCN Circ. 7926). The BAT ground-calculated position is $RA(J2000) = 313.049deg~(20h52m11.8s),~Dec(J2000) = 72.278deg~(+72d16'39.7'') \pm 3.0~arcmin,$ (radius, systematic and statistical, 90% containment). The partial coding was 81%.

The masked-weighted light curves (Fig.1) starts at trigger time T=0 sec with a single rise, and returns to background at about T+0.6 sec. $T_{90}(15-350keV)$ is 0.5 ± 0.2 sec (estimated error including systematics).

The time-averaged spectrum from T+0.0 to T+0.5 sec is best fitted by a simple power law model. This fit gives a photon index of 1.34 ± 0.42 . For this model the total fluence in the 15-150 keV band is $(3.6\pm1.0)\times10^{-8}ergs/cm^2$ and the 1-sec peak flux measured from T-0.22 sec in the 15-150 keV band is 0.7 ± 0.2 ph/cm²/sec. All the quoted errors are at the 90% confidence level.

3 XRT Observations and Analysis

Using 95 s of overlapping XRT Photon Counting mode and UVOT data for GRB 080702A, we find an astrometrically corrected X-ray position (using the XRT-UVOT alignment and matching UVOT field sources to the USNO-B1 catalogue): RA, Dec = 313.05081, +72.31271 which is equivalent to RA (J2000): 20h52m12.20s, Dec (J2000): +72d18'45.8".

The 0.3-10~keV light curve (Fig.2) shows an initial shallow decline with a slope of $0.5^{+0.3}_{-0.4}$, following by a steeper slope of $1.3^{+0.3}_{-0.2}$, beginning at $T\sim475s$. We note that the break time is not well constrained.

The first orbit of the X-ray data can be modeled with an absorbed power-law with spectral indices of $2.05^{+0.71}_{-0.64}$. The NH column density is $6.2^{+5.4}_{-3.6} \times 10^{21} cm^{-2}$, in excess of the Galactic column density NH 1.53×10^{21} in the direction of the burst. The average observed (unabsorbed) flux over $0.3 - 10 \ keV$ for this spectrum (spanning a time of 75-800 seconds after the trigger) is 5.7×10^{-12} (1 × 10^{-11}) $ergs/cm^2/sec$.

4 UVOT Observation and Analysis

The UVOT began settled exposures of the field of GRB 080702A at 11:51:56 UT, 73 sec after the initial BAT trigger (De Pasquale *et al.*, *GCN Circ.* 7920). No new source was detected within the XRT error circle in the white (99 sec) and V (399 sec) finding exposures, or in the co-added images in any filter down to 3-sigma magnitude. Upper limits are summarized in Table 1. These upper limits

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Filter	Start	Stop	Exposure	3-Sigma UL
wh (finding)	73	172	98	20.8
v (finding)	179	578	393	20.0
V	713	6099	305	19.8
b	659	6840	334	20.8
u	634	6714	432	20.6
uvw11	610	6509	432	20.2
uvm2	585	6303	432	20.3
uvw22	689	5894	235	20.3
wh	674	5688	314	21.4

Table 1: Magnitude limits from UVOT observations

are not corrected for strong Galactic extinction E(B-V)=0.67. Photometry is based on the UVOT flight system by Poole et al. 2008.

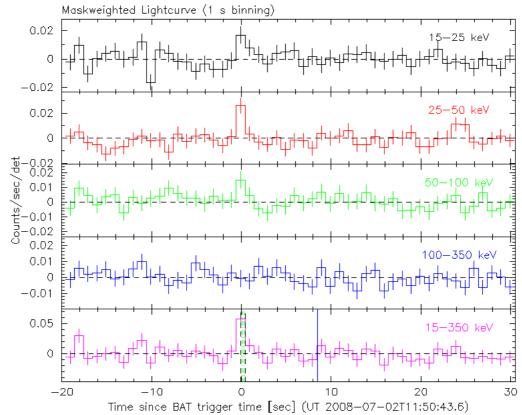


Figure 1: BAT Light curve. The mask-weighted light curve in the 4 individual plus total energy bands. The units are counts/sec/illuminated-detector and T_0 is 11:50:43 UT.

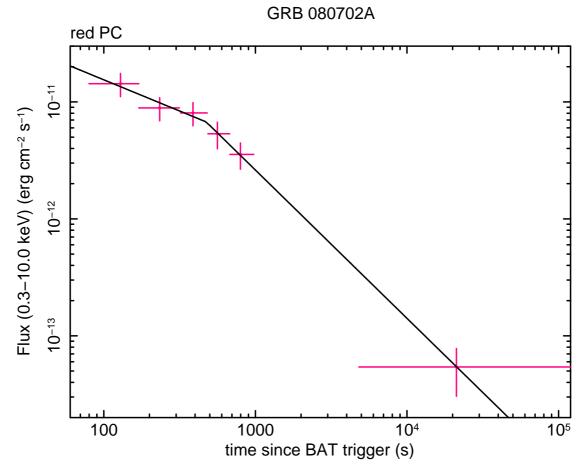


Figure 2: XRT Lightcurve. Counts/sec in the 0.3-10 keV band: Window Timing mode (black), Photon Counting mode (red). The approximate conversion is 1 count/sec = $\sim 1 \times 10^{-11}~ergs/cm^2/sec$.