

Astrophysics I: Stars and Stellar Evolution

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Overview

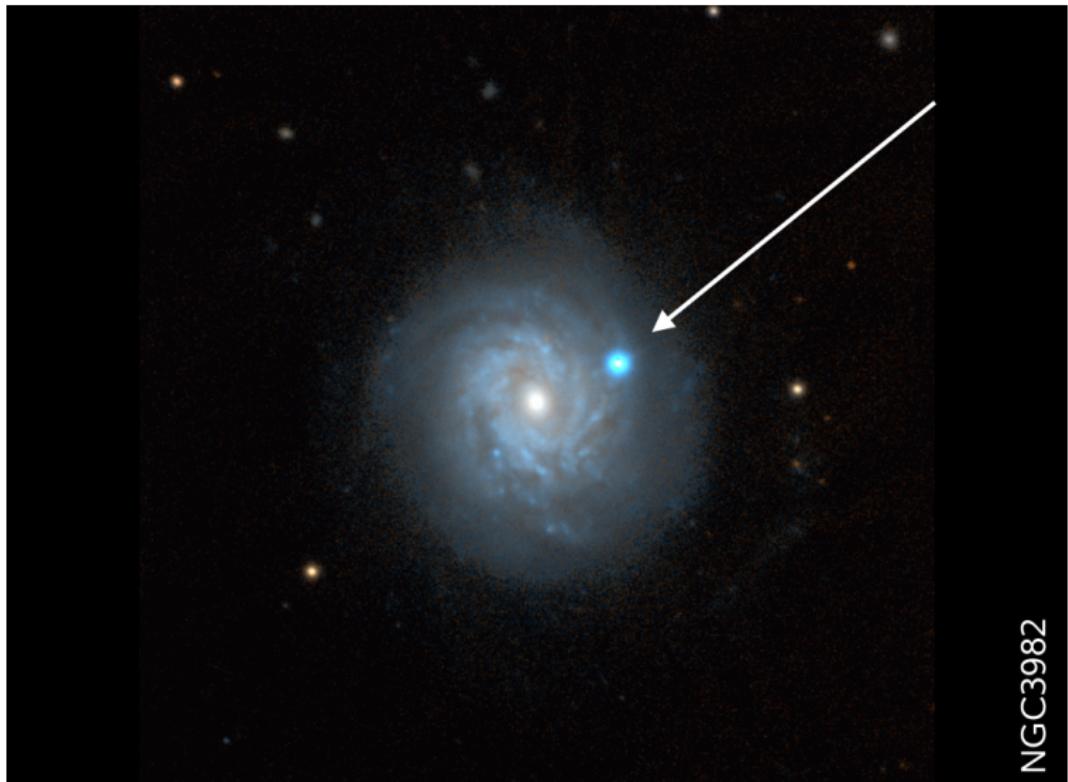
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- Things that blow up

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- Collapsars
- Type Ia Supernovae
- Supernova Types and Light Curves

Supernovae



Supernovae - Overview

Things that blow up

supernovae from massive stars

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MASS



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Thermonuclear supernovae (no *r*-process)

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Black hole-powered supernovae (“Collapsars”)

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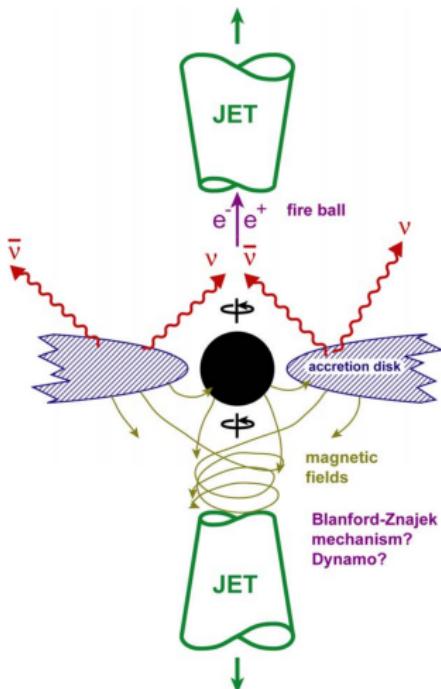
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Supernovae

The Collapsar Engine



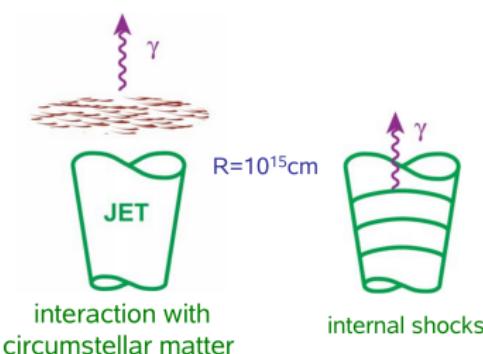
Accretion disk around **black hole**
may power **jet** by **neutrino annihilation** or by **MHD process**.

Jet will explode star

("hypernova"; see talk by Andrew MacFadyen)

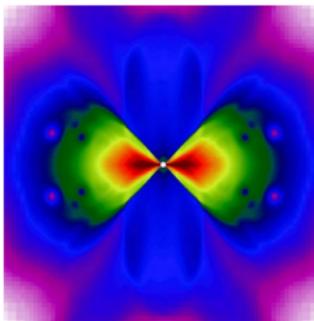
and may power GRB

if it can escape from the stellar interior; requires
→ relativistic jet with high $\Gamma > 100$ and low baryon loading

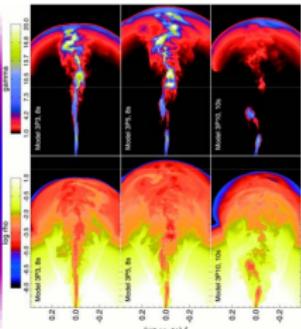


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GRBs, Collapsar - Nucleosynthesis



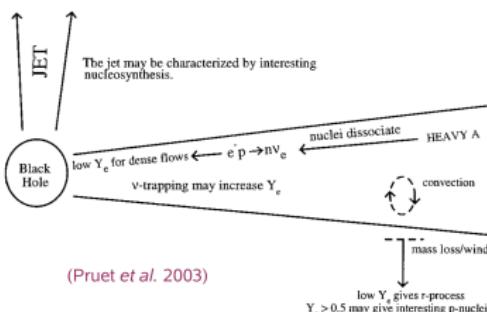
(MacFadyen, Zhang, Woosley 2005)



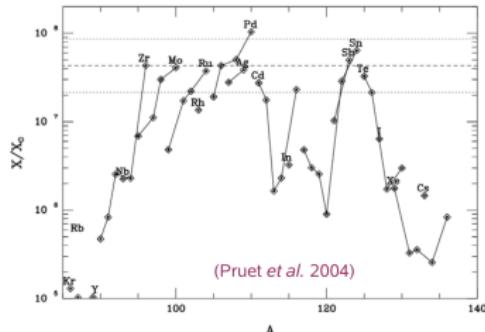
(Zhang, Woosley, Heger 2004)

Hot accretion disk powers jet that may make GRB and explodes star

Nucleosynthesis in outflow from disk ↓



(Pruet et al. 2003)



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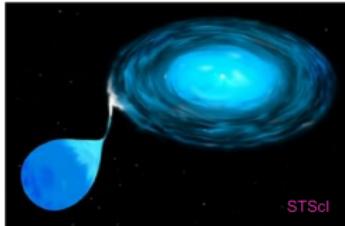
Type Ia Supernovae

Theoretical Model:

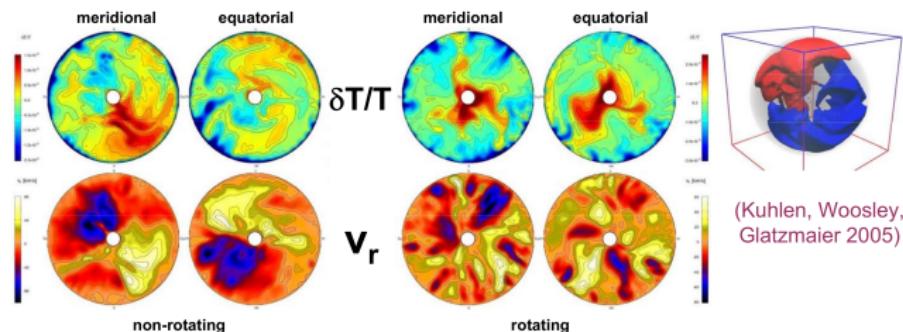
- accretion of material onto a CO white dwarf star in a binary star system
- grow mass to Chandrasekhar mass
- star contacts, stars burning of ^{12}C
- “smoldering” phase for some 1000 yr
- thermonuclear runaway, formation of thin burning flame that incinerates star in $\sim 1\text{ s}$
- explosion, $\sim 1\text{ B}$
- produce $\sim 0.5\text{ M}_\odot$ of radioactive ^{56}Ni

Type Ia Supernovae

SN Type Ia Ignition

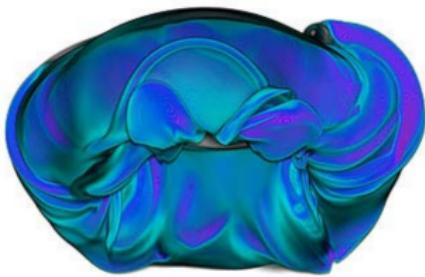


- Accreting CO white dwarf in binary star system
- ~1000 yr of convective “smoldering” carbon burning
- Quick final thermonuclear and ignition
- How many sparks form? Where? Timescale?



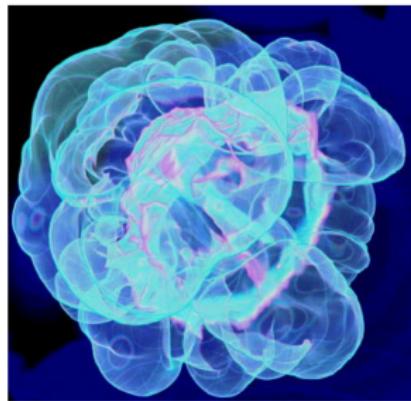
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SN Type Ia – A single Spark?



(Zingale *et al.* 2005)

Fully resolved single ignition “spark”.



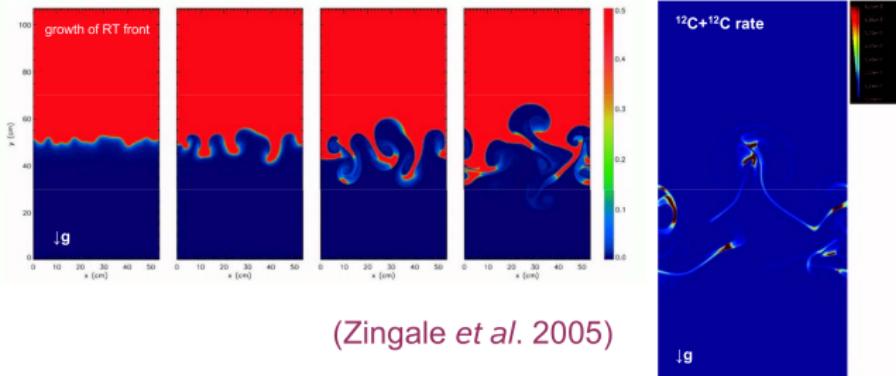
(Calder *et al.* 2004)

Single slightly off-center ignition spot.

Single off-center ignition gives bubble that quickly rises in one direction
→ no successful supernova explosion.

Type Ia Supernovae

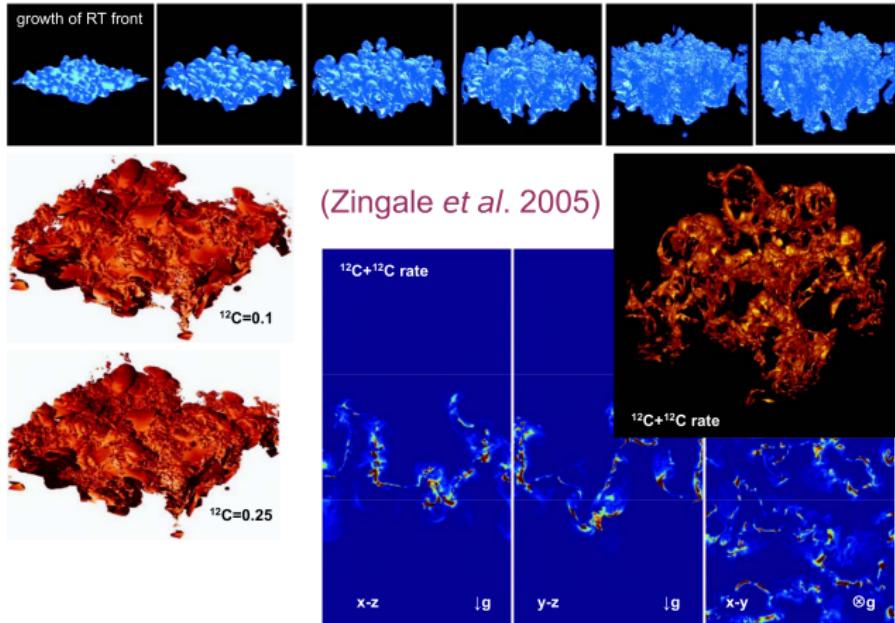
SN Type Ia Flames – 2D



Due to 2D symmetry front has lots of power on large scales

Type Ia Supernovae

SN Type Ia Flames – 3D



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Supernova Types as Function of Mass and Metallicity

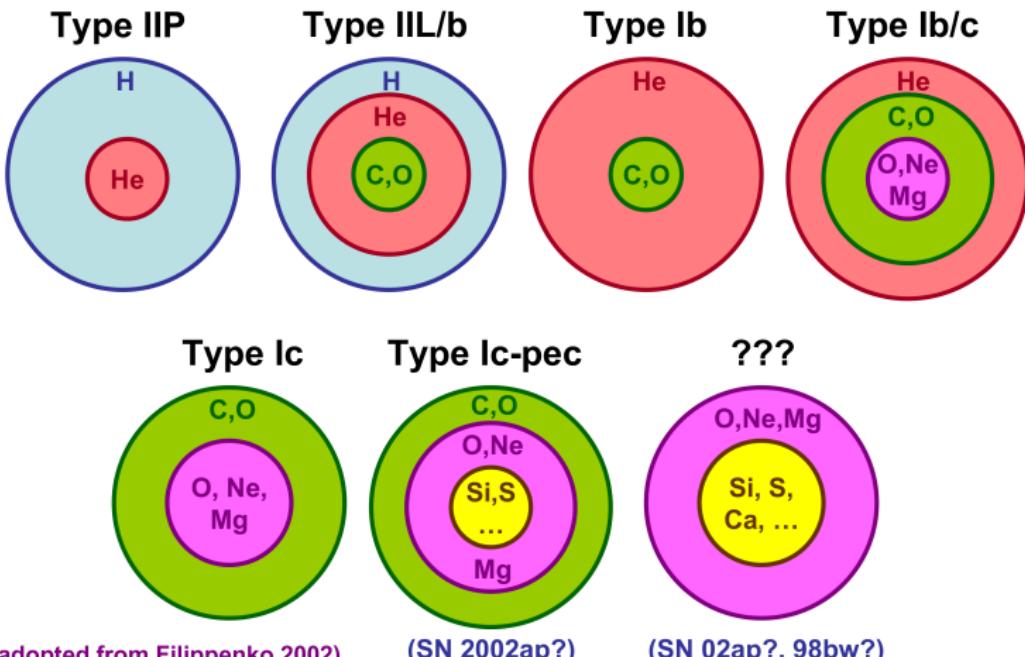
(single stars)

SN Type	pre-SN stellar structure
IIP	> $2 M_{\odot}$ H envelope
IIL	< $2 M_{\odot}$ H envelope
Ib/c	no H envelope

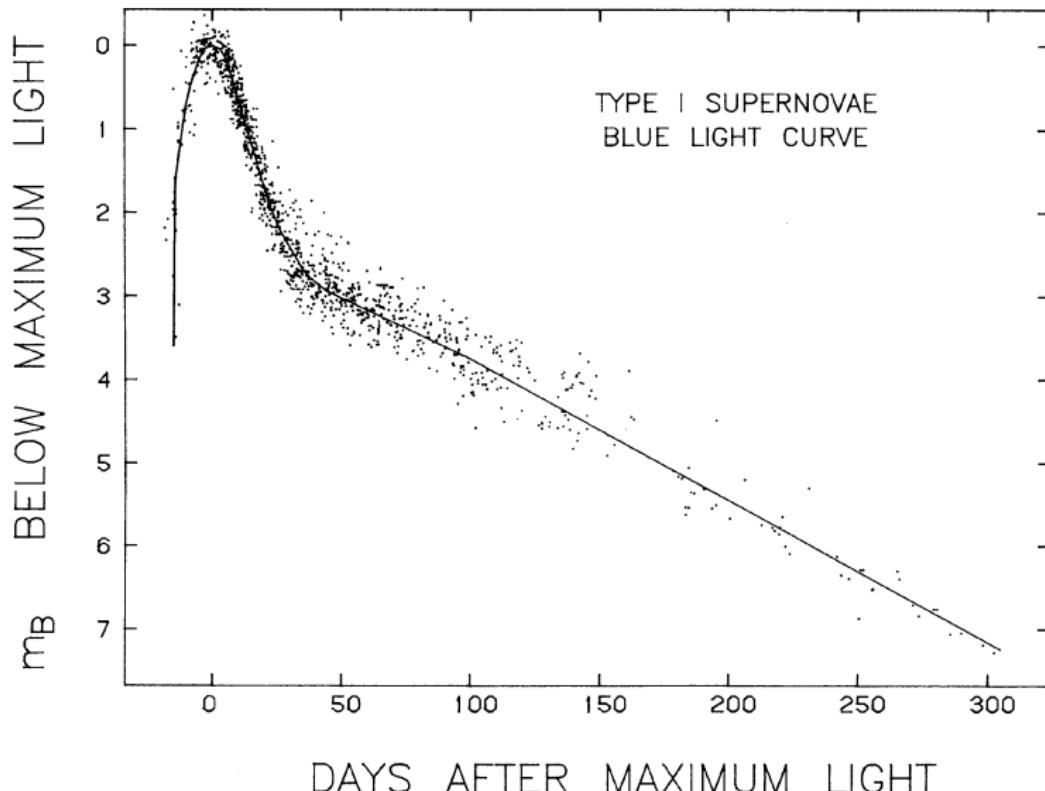
Type Ib/c He core mass at explosion	explosion energy	display
> $15 M_{\odot}$	direct collapse	none
$\sim 15 \dots 8 M_{\odot}$	weak	dim
$\sim 8 \dots 5 M_{\odot}$	strong	dim
< $5 M_{\odot}$	strong	bright

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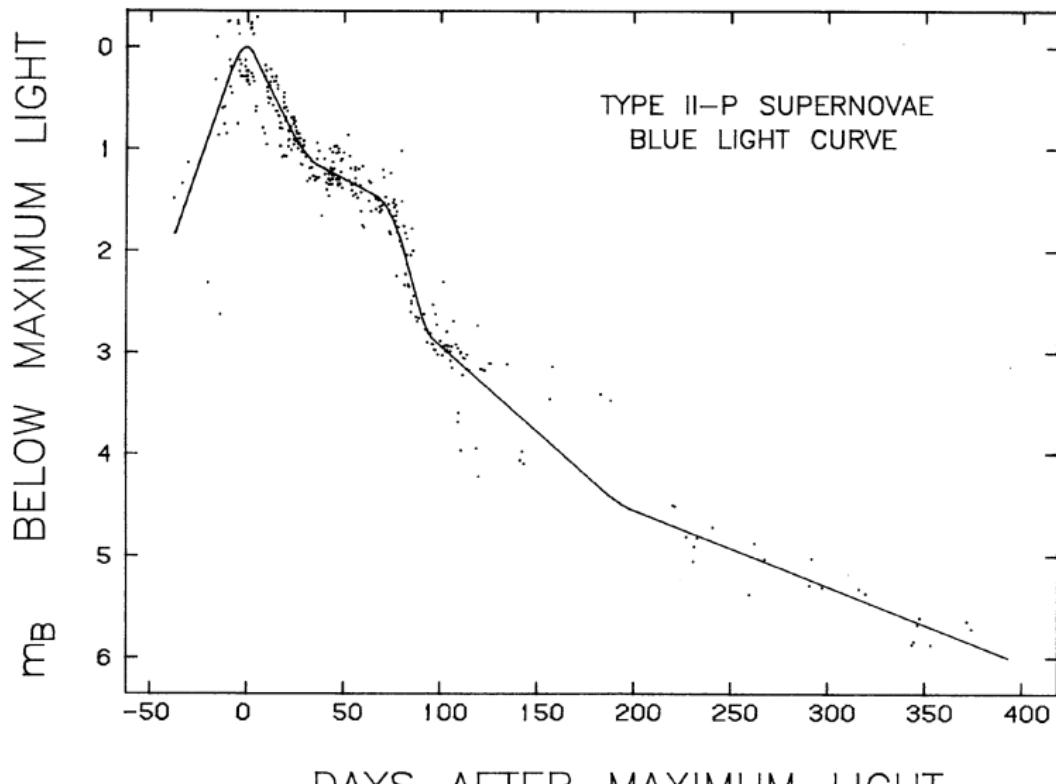
Sequence of increasingly stripped cc SNe



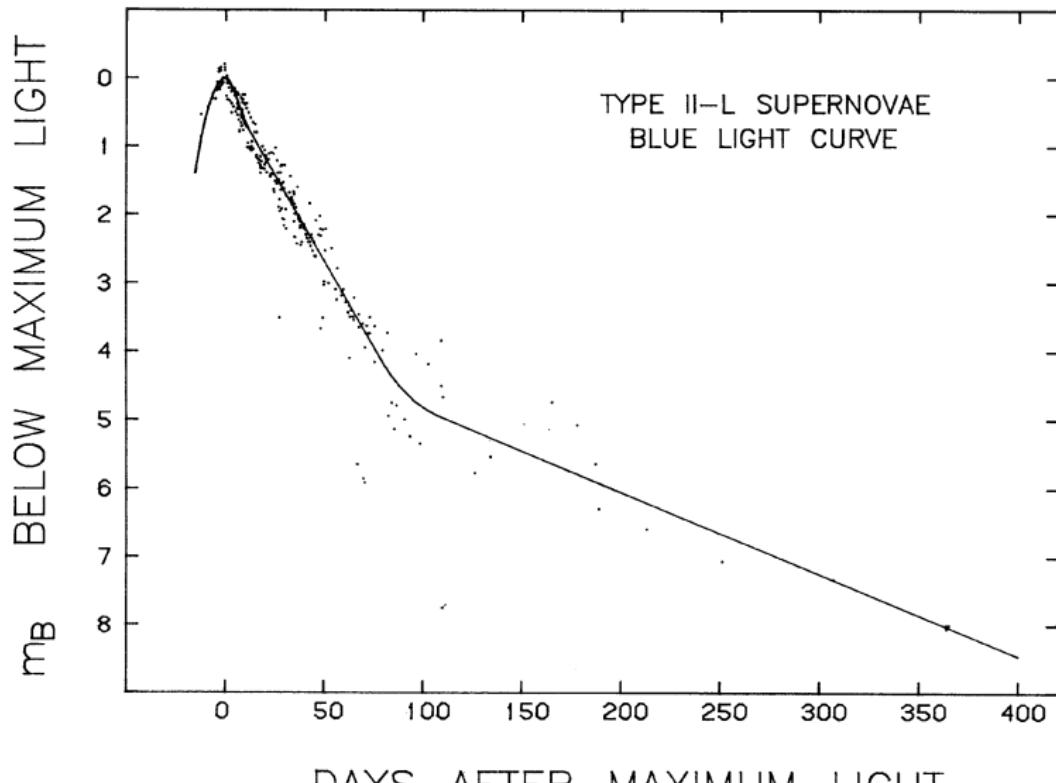
Supernovae Light Curve



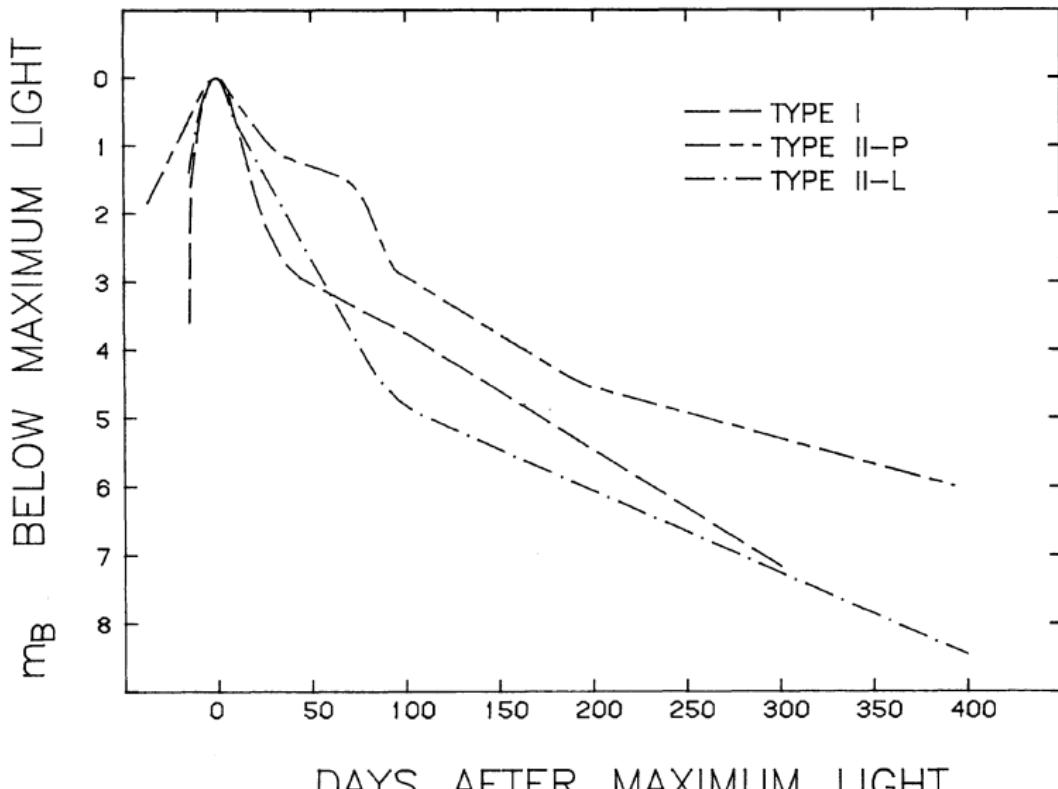
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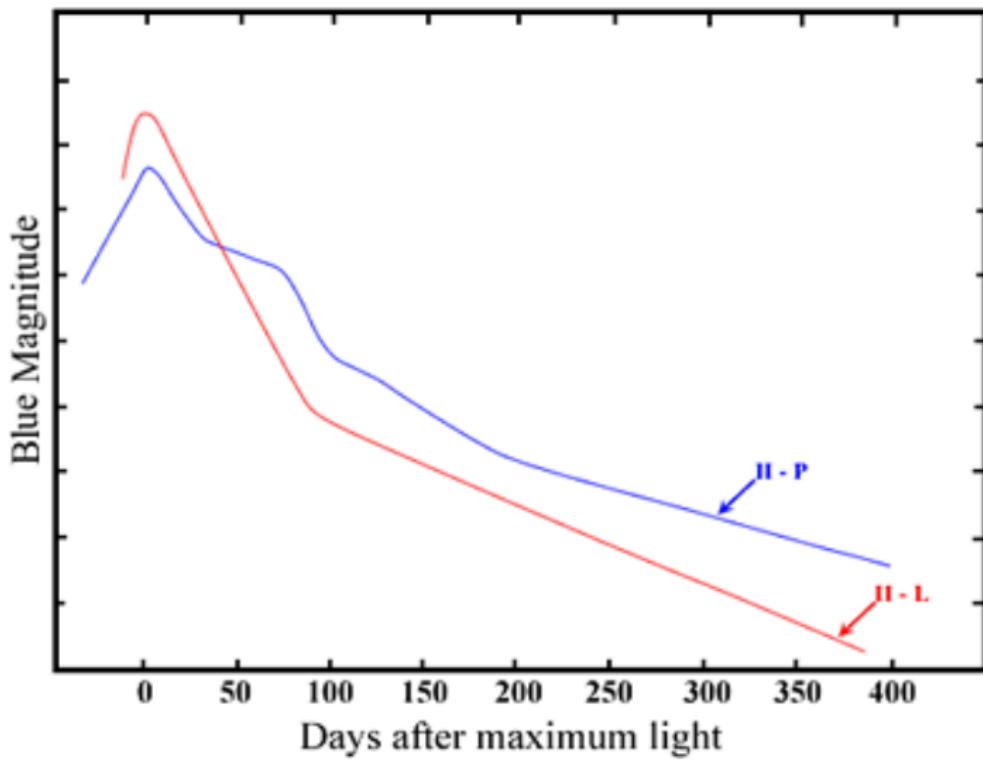
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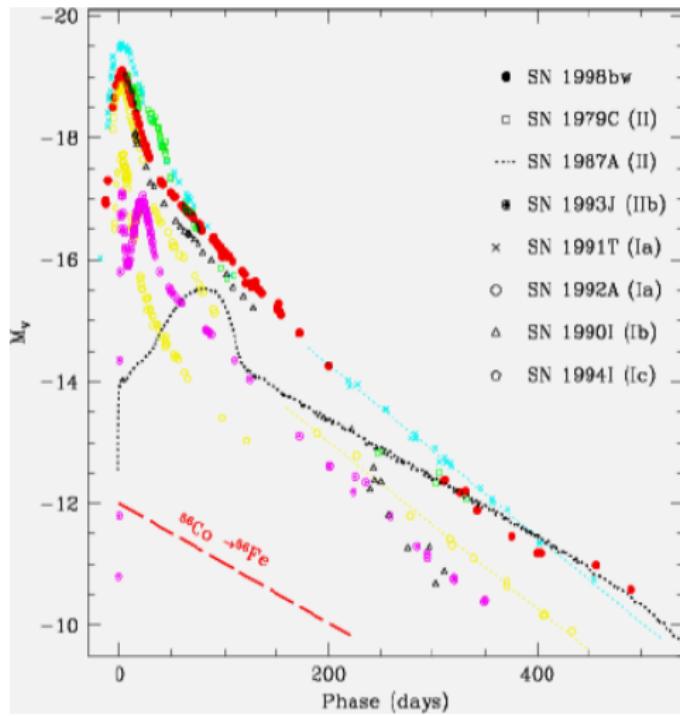
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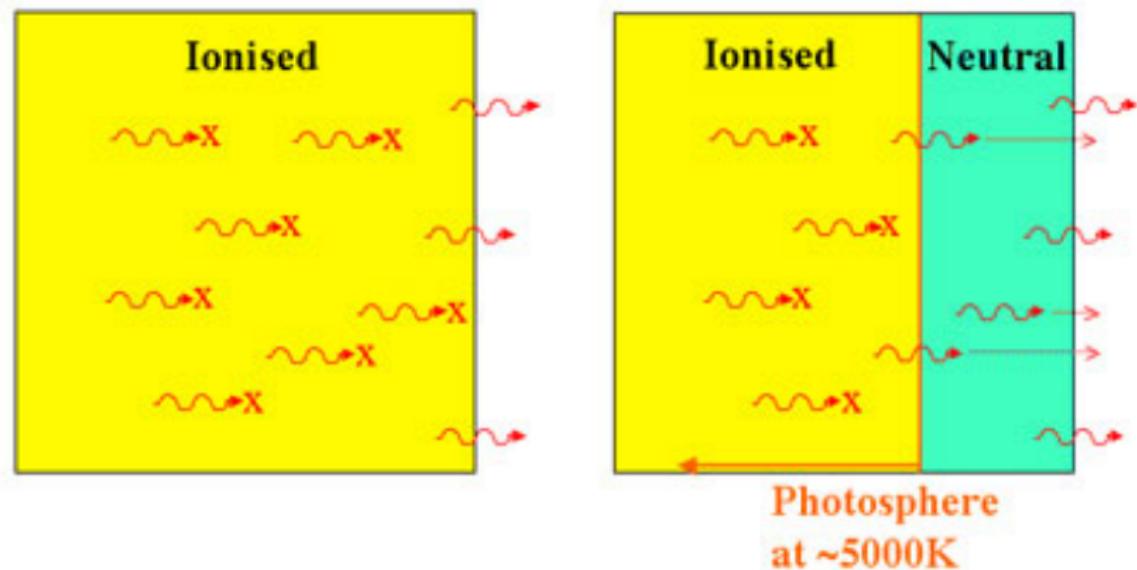
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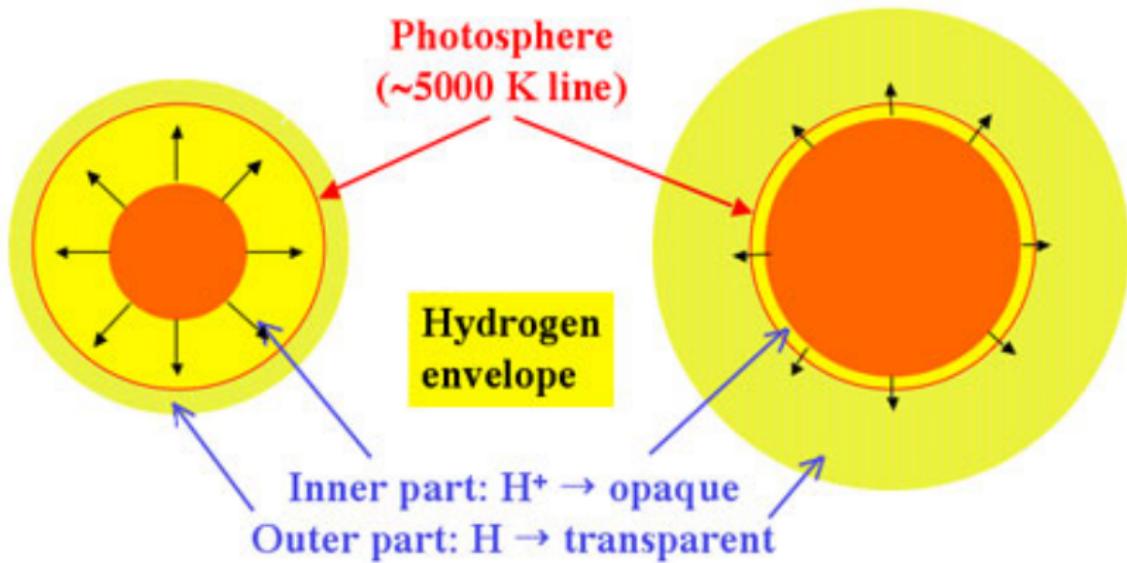
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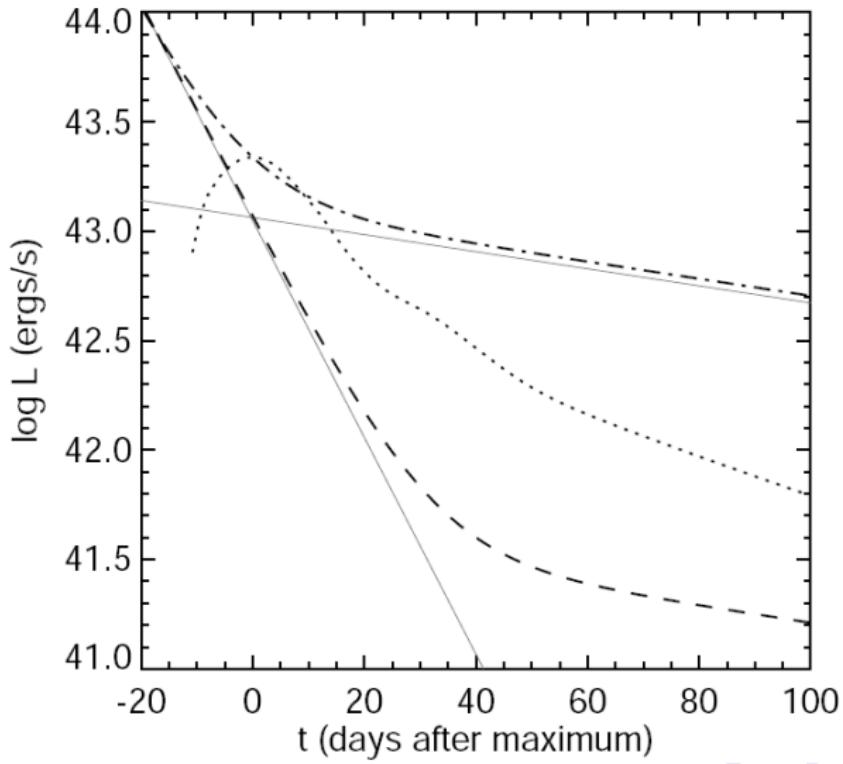
Escape of photons from photosphere



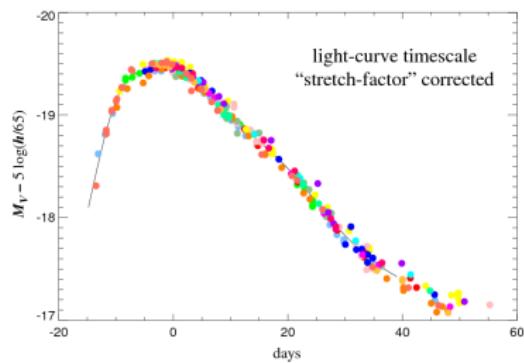
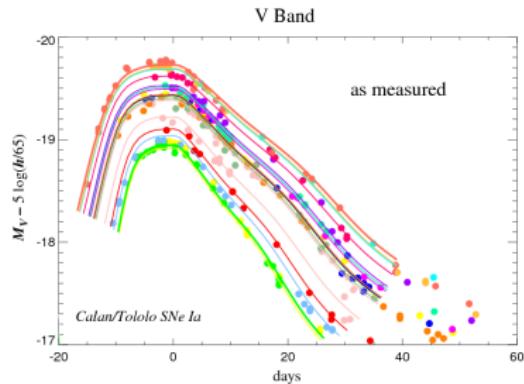
Retreat of Photosphere during SN Expansion



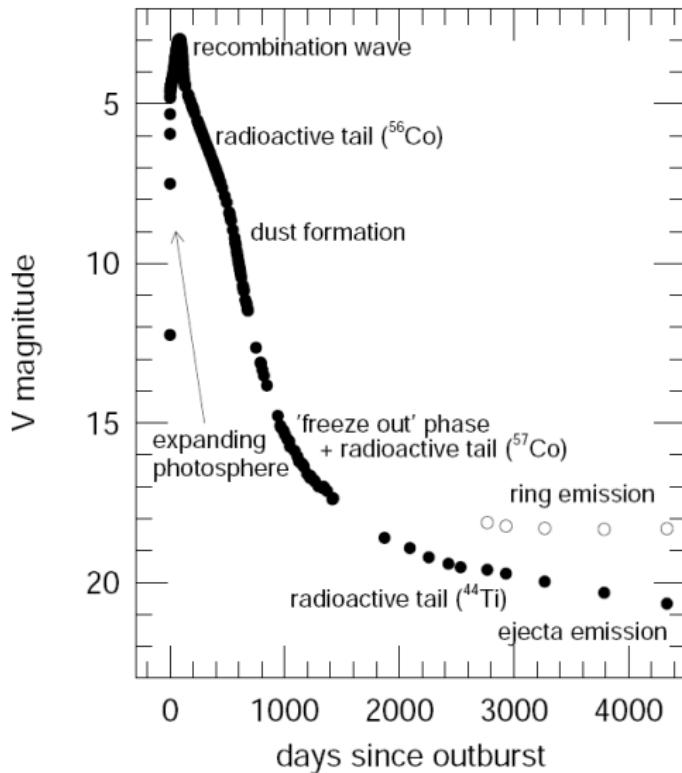
Type Ia Supernovae and Radioactivity



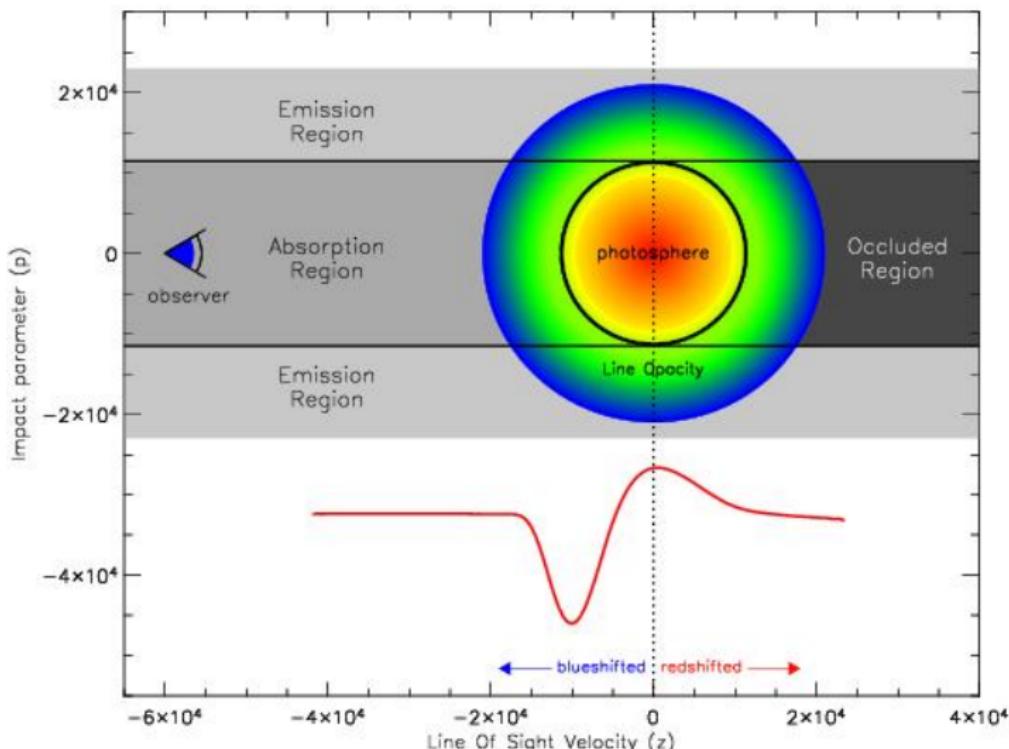
Type Ia Supernovae Lightcurve Fitting



Supernovae Light Curve - SN 1987A



Supernovae Light Curve - P-Cygni Profile Formation



Supernovae Light Curve - Composition and Spectra

