

Nuclear Physics I: Nuclear Astrophysics

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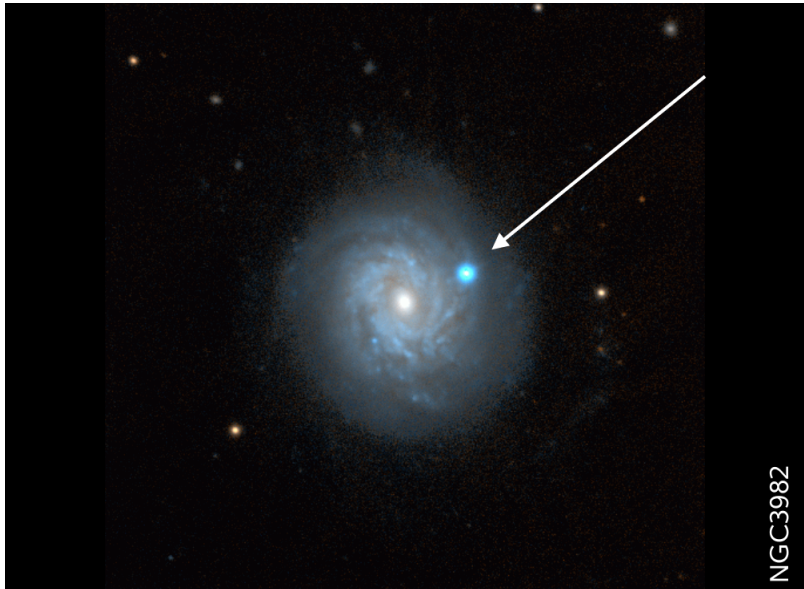
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 - Collapsars
 - Pair-Instability Supernovae
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Supernovae



NGC3982

Supernovae - Overview

Things that blow up

supernovae from massive stars

- CO white dwarf \rightarrow Type Ia SN, $E \approx 1B$ eth
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- Pulsational pair SN \rightarrow multiple, nested Type I/II SN
- Very massive stars \rightarrow pair SN, $\lesssim 100B$ ($1B=10^{51}$ erg)
- Very massive collapsar \rightarrow IMBH, SN, hard transient
- Supermassive stars \rightarrow $\gtrsim 100000 B$ SN or SMBH



$1B=10^{51}$ erg

MASS



Supernovae

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Neutron star-powered supernovae

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Thermonuclear supernovae (no *r*-process)

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Black hole-powered supernovae (“Collapsars”)

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Supernovae

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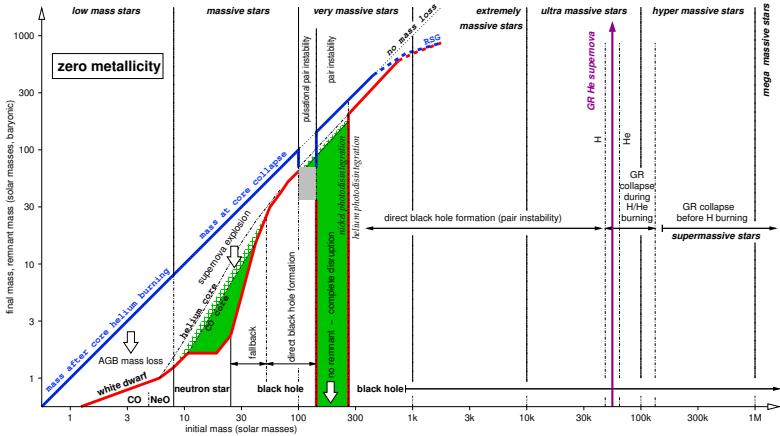
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- GR He instability → $> 100 B$ SN+SMBH, or 10,000 B
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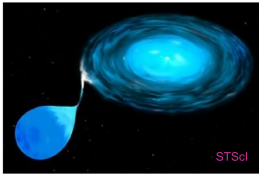


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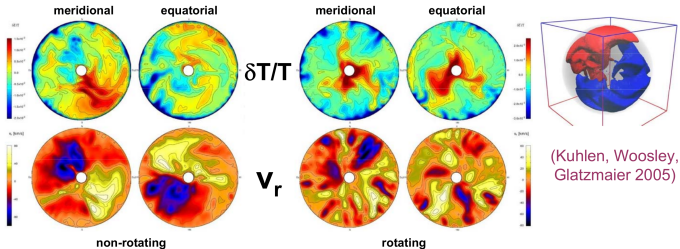


Type Ia Supernovae

SN Type Ia Ignition

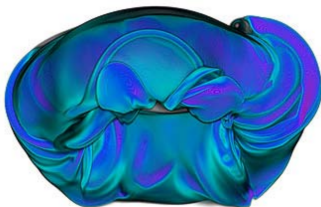


- Accreting CO white dwarf in binary star system
- ~1000 yr of convective “smoldering” carbon burning
- Quick final thermonuclear and ignition
- **How many sparks form? Where? Timescale?**



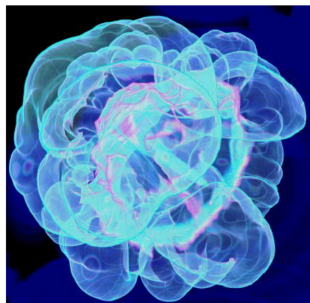
Type Ia Supernovae

SN Type Ia – A single Spark?



(Zingale *et al.* 2005)

Fully resolved single ignition “spark”.



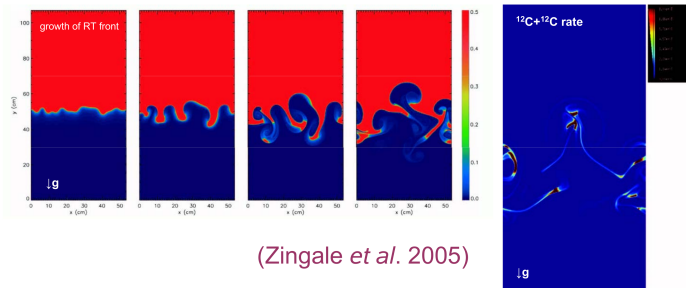
(Calder *et al.* 2004)

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

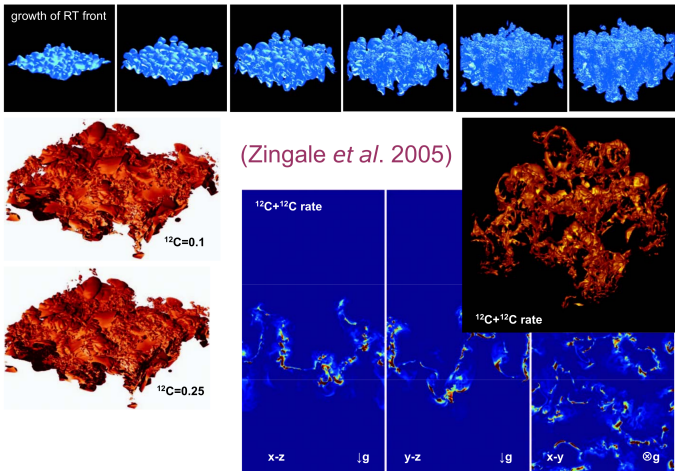


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Due to 2D symmetry front has lots of power on large scales

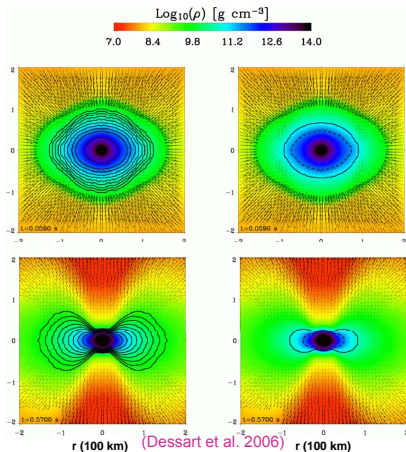
Type Ia Supernovae

SN Type Ia Flames – 3D



Accretion Induced Collapse

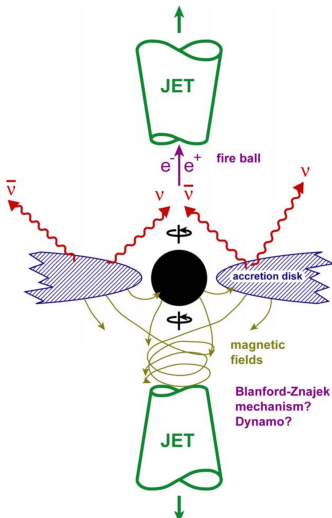
Accretion Induced Collapse



- NeMgO WD accretes from companion star
- When Chandrasekhar mass is approached, electron captures reduce electron degeneracy pressure support
- ◀ Rapid collapse and bounce (faint SN)

Supernovae

The Collapsar Engine



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

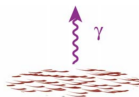
Jet will explode star

("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



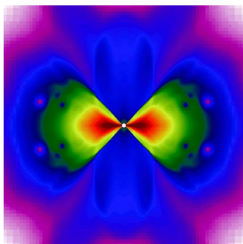
interaction with circumstellar matter



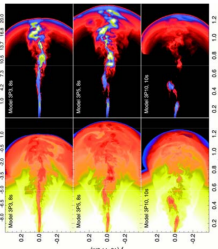
internal shocks

Supernovae

GRBs, Collapsar - Nucleosynthesis



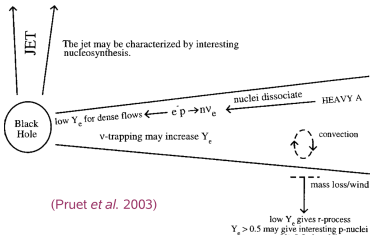
(MacFadyen, Zhang, Woosley 2005)



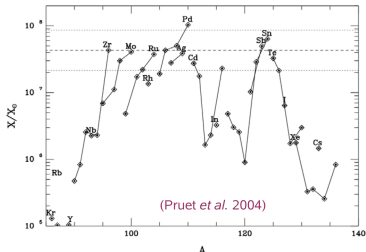
(Zhang, Woosley, Heger 2004)

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

Nucleosynthesis in outflow from disk ↓

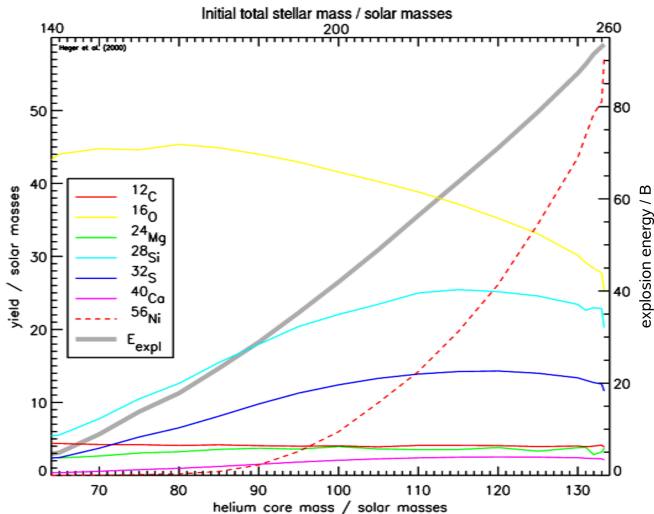


(Pruet et al. 2003)

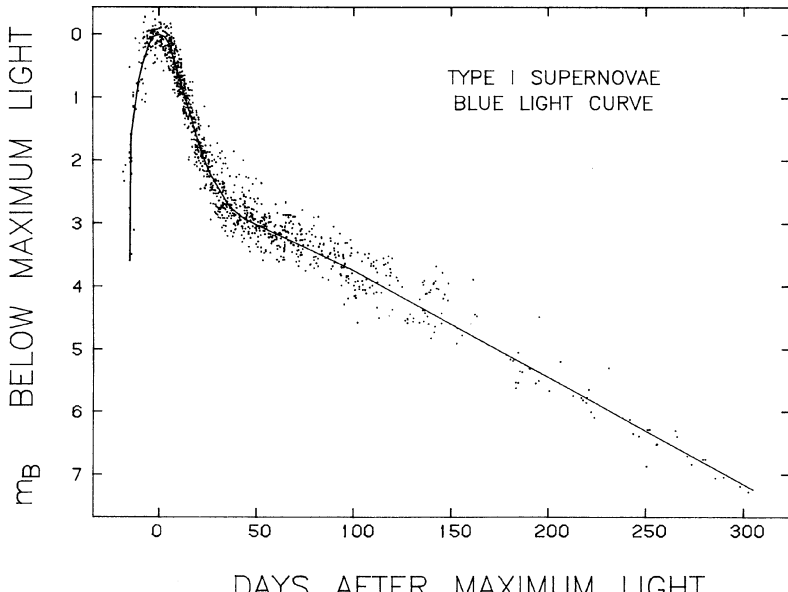


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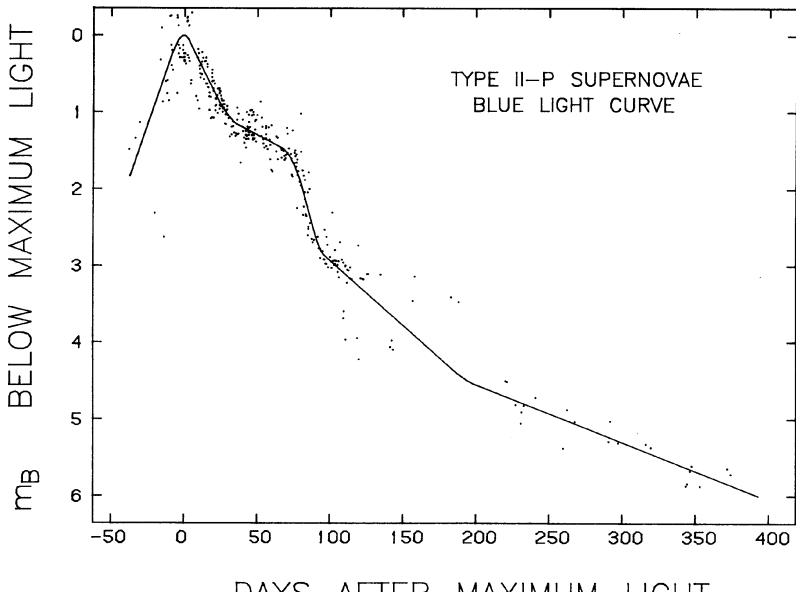
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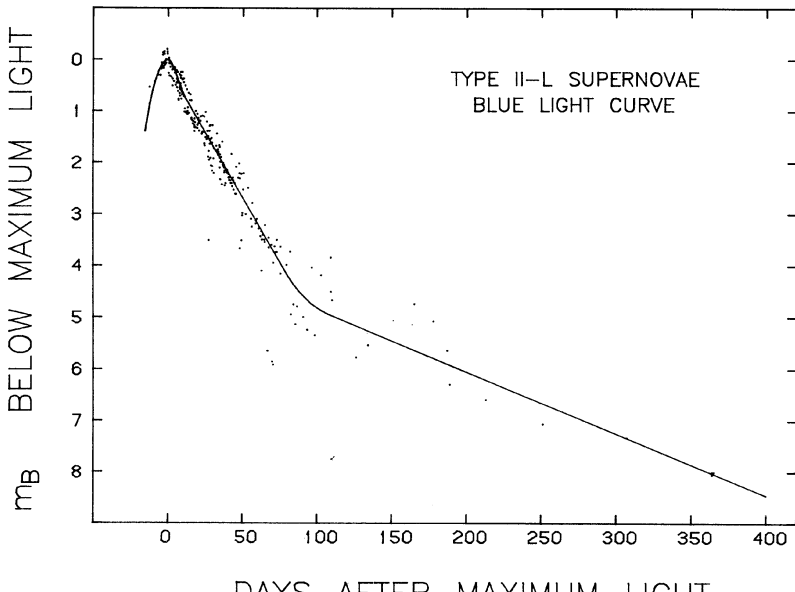
Supernovae Light Curve



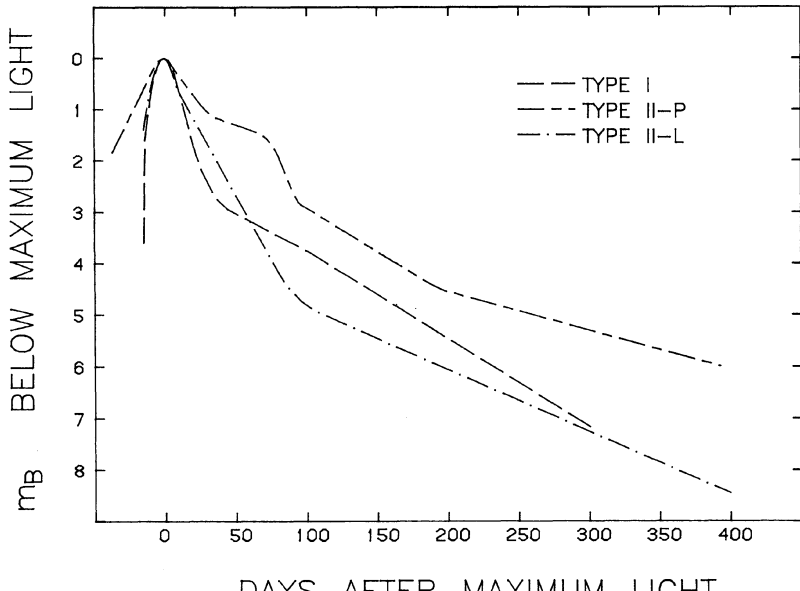
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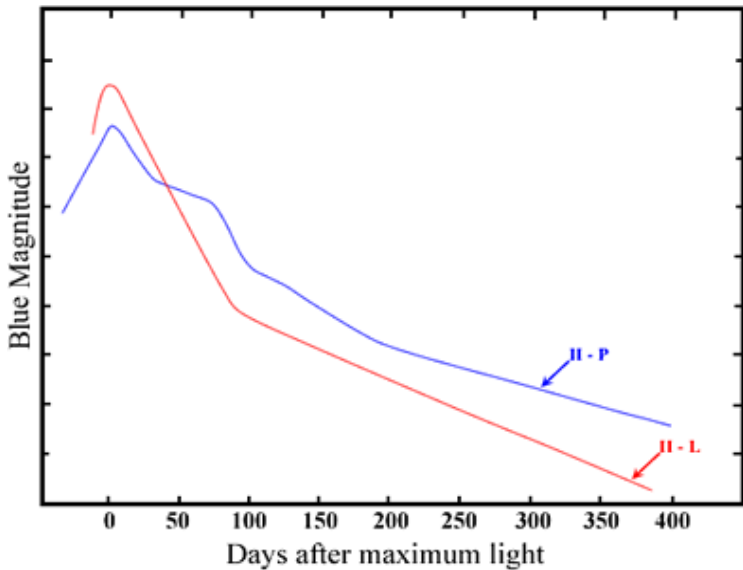
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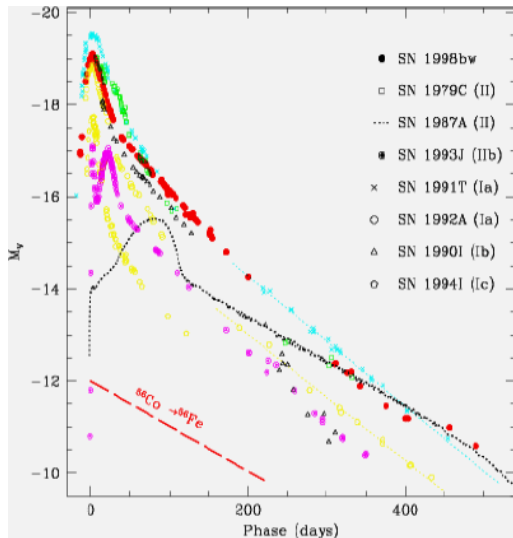
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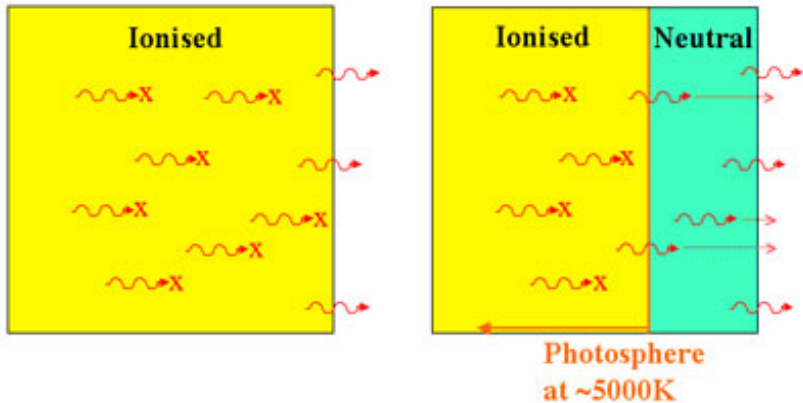
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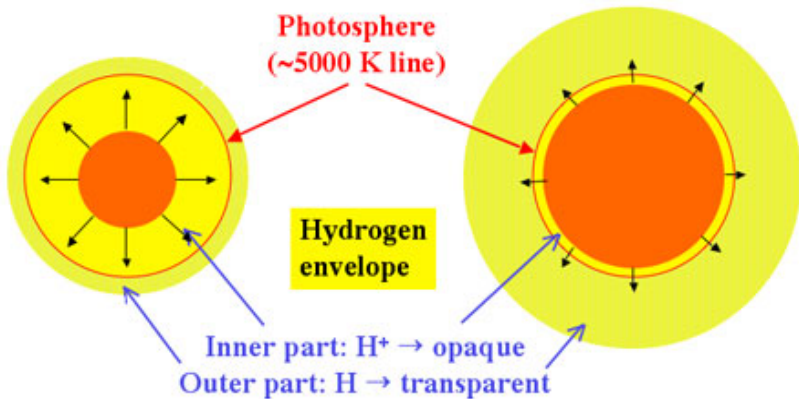
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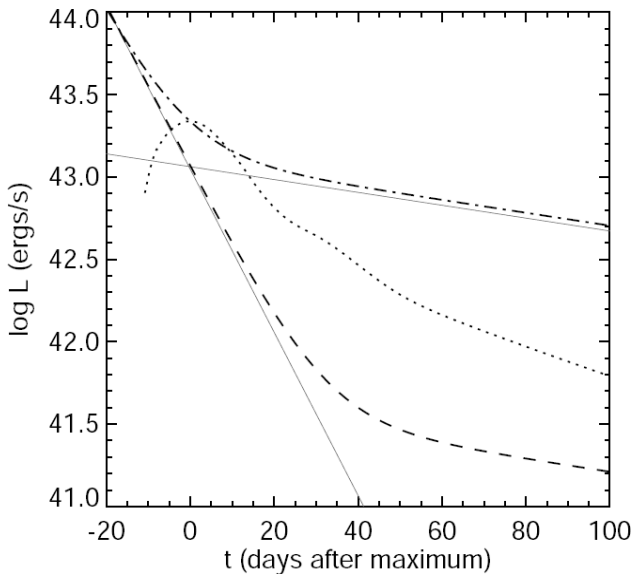
Escape of photons from photosphere



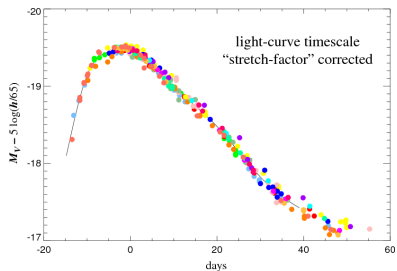
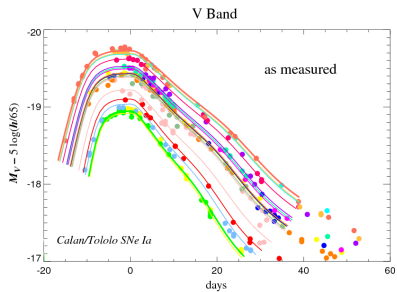
Retreat of Photosphere during SN Expansion



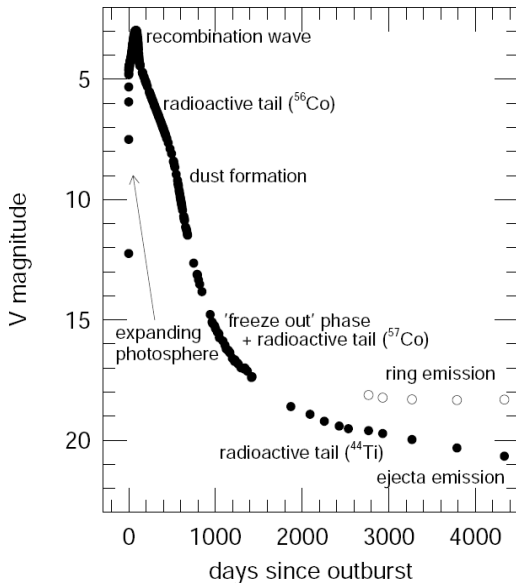
Type Ia Supernovae and Radioactivity



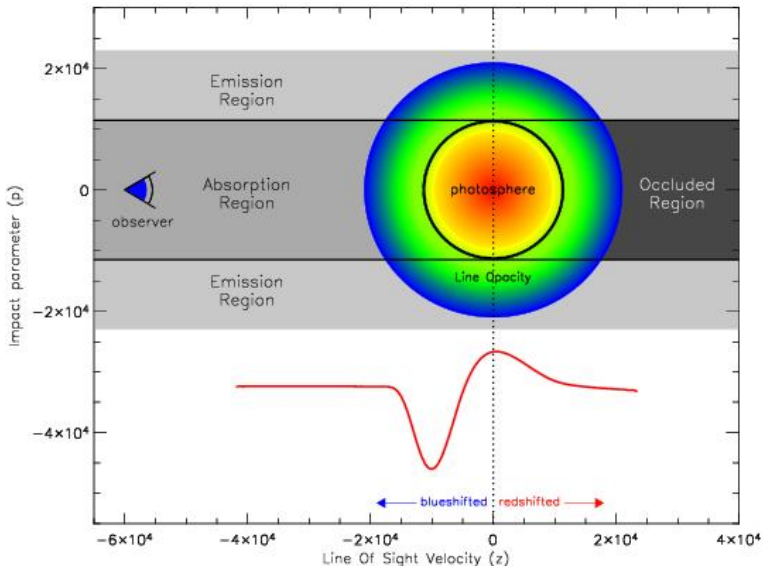
Type Ia Supernovae Lightcurve Fitting



Supernovae Light Curve - SN 1987A



Supernovae Light Curve - P-Cygni Profile Formation



Supernovae - Mass and Metallicity

