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Supernova Explosion Mechanisms

Advancing to the 3rd Dimension: Supernova Models Confronting Observations

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Questions

- Why and how do massive stars explode?
- What are the observable signals of the explosion: neutrinos, gravitational waves, heavy elements?
- What are the compact remnants of the explosion and their properties: neutron star or black hole masses, spins, kick velocities?
- How do the explosion and remnant properties vary with the properties of the progenitor stars?

Supernova Explosion Mechanisms

- Neutrino-driven mechanism?
- Magnetohydrodynamic mechanism?
- Acoustic mechanism?
- QCD phase transition mechanism?

Possibly/probably there is more than just one mechanism at work, depending on the properties of progenitor stars (i.e. their pre-collapse Fe-core mass, He-core size, and rotation as determined by the initial stellar mass, metallicity, and binary effects)

Supernova Explosion Mechanisms

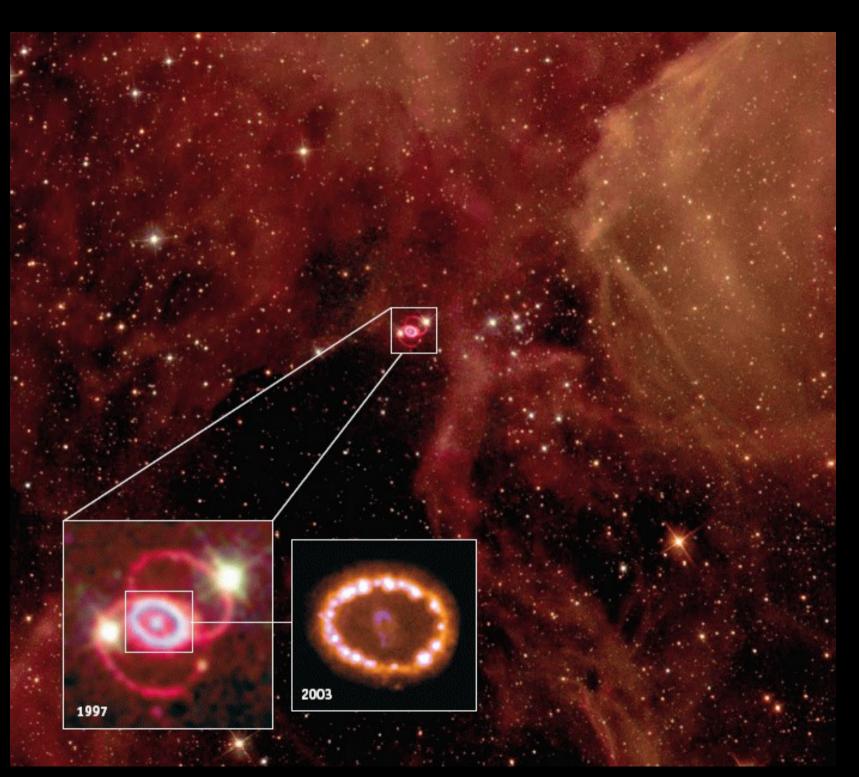
How can the different possibilities be observationally discriminated?



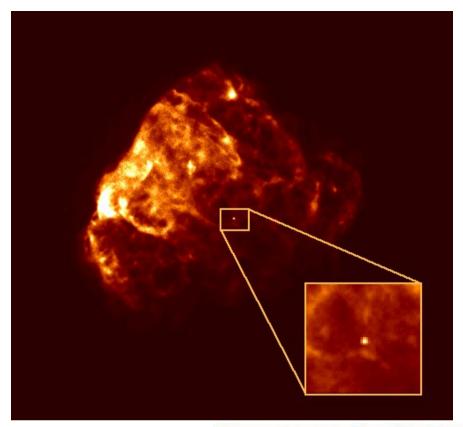
Gaseous supernova remnant with neutron star, which radiates as pulsar

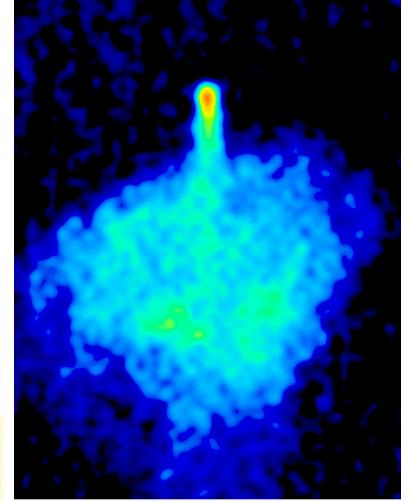
Cassiopeia A Nebula

Cas A composite image: X-ray (Chandra, green-blue), optical (HST, yellow) & IR (SST, red)

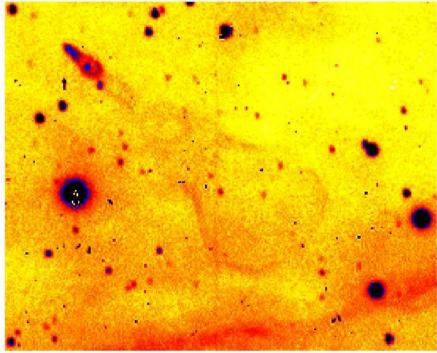


Supernova 1987A as a teenager



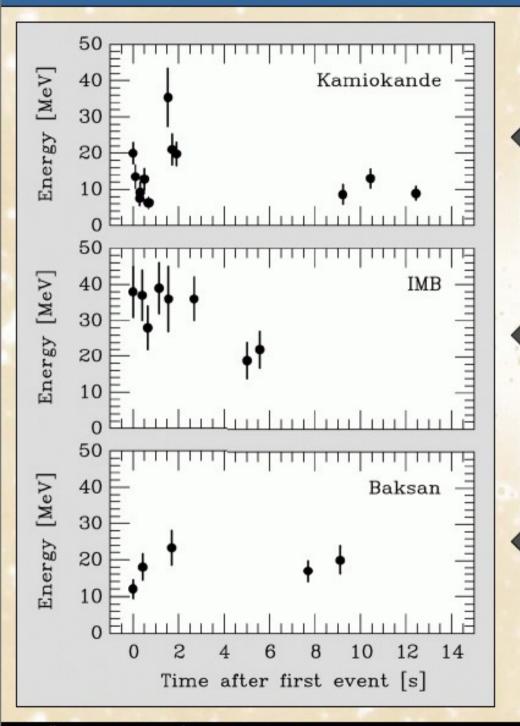


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Guitar Nebula

Neutrino Burst of Supernova 1987A



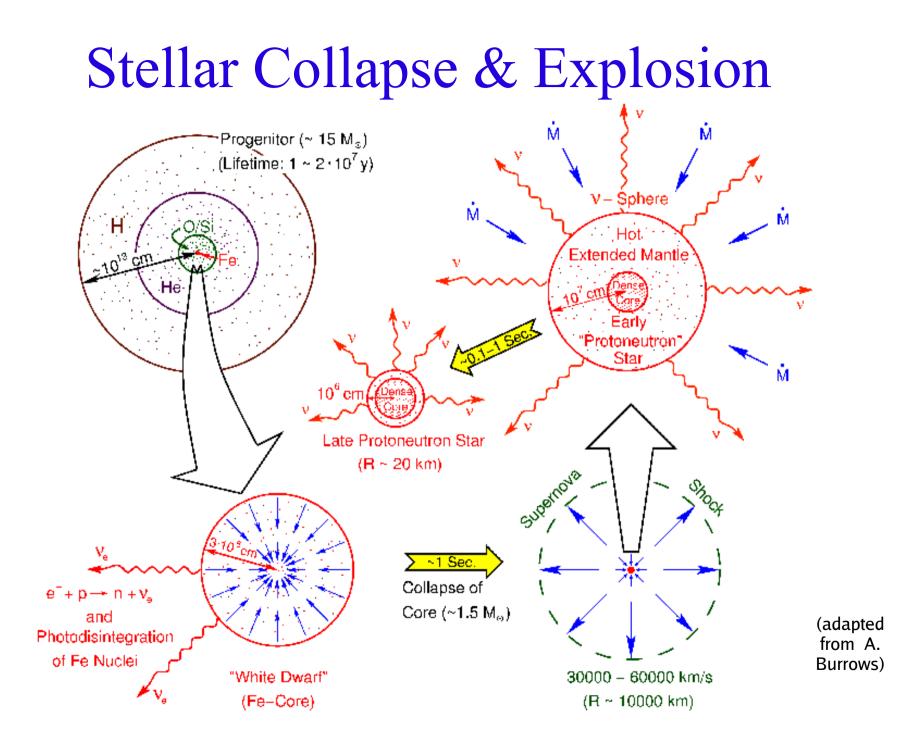
Kamiokande-II (Japan) Water Cherenkov detector 2140 tons Clock uncertainty ±1 min

Irvine-Michigan-Brookhaven (US) Water Cherenkov detector 6800 tons Clock uncertainty ±50 ms

Baksan Scintillator Telescope (Soviet Union), 200 tons Random event cluster ~ 0.7/day Clock uncertainty +2/-54 s

Within clock uncertainties, signals are contemporaneous

Twenty Years After SN 1987A, 23-25 February 2007, Hilton Waikola, Hawaii



Role of Neutrinos

• Neutrinos procuded in the hot, forming neutron star carry away the gravitational binding energy of the collapsing stellar core:

$$E \approx 3 \times 10^{53} \left(\frac{M}{\mathrm{M}_{\odot}}\right)^2 \left(\frac{R}{10 \,\mathrm{km}}\right)^{-1} \mathrm{~ergs}$$

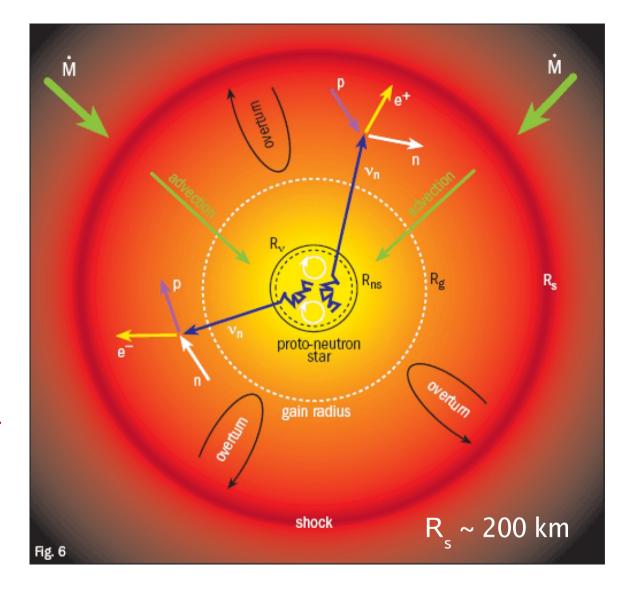
Neutrino energy $E_{\nu} \approx 100 \times E_{kin}$ of supernova explosion

• Neutrinos transfer energy to the collapsing stellar matter around the newly formed neutron star and could power supernova explosions.

Characteristic supernova energy unit: 10^{51} erg = 10^{44} J = 1 bethe = 1B

Neutrinos & Explosion Mechanism

Paradigm: Explosions by the convectively supported neutrinoheating mechanism



- "Neutrino-heating mechanism": Neutrinos `revive' stalled shock by energy deposition (Colgate & White 1966, Wilson 1982, Bethe & Wilson 1985);
- Convective processes & hydrodynamic instabilities enhance the heating mechanism (Herant et al. 1992, 1994; Burrows et al. 1995, Janka & Müller 1994, 1996; Fryer & Warren 2002, 2004; Blondin et al. 2003; Scheck et al. 2004,06,08).

Neutrino Heating and Cooling

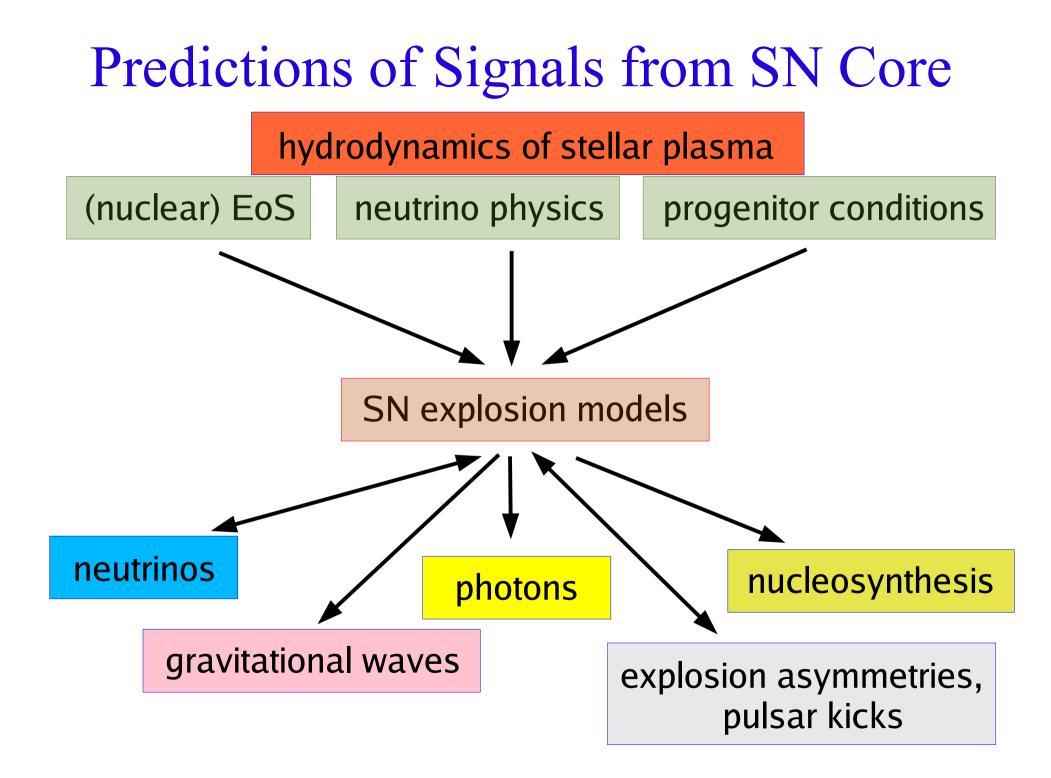
• Neutrino heating:

$$\mathcal{H} = 1.544 \times 10^{20} \left(\frac{L_{\nu_e}}{10^{52} \text{ erg s}^{-1}} \right) \left(\frac{T_{\nu_e}}{4 \text{ MeV}} \right)^2 \times \left(\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right)^2 (Y_n + Y_p) \qquad \left[\frac{\text{erg}}{\text{g s}} \right]$$

• Neutrino cooling:

$$C = 1.399 \times 10^{20} \left(\frac{T}{2 \text{ MeV}}\right)^6 (Y_n + Y_p) \qquad \left[\frac{\text{erg}}{\text{g s}}\right]$$

Numerical Models of Stellar Collapse and Explosions



$$\frac{\partial\sqrt{\gamma}\rho W}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial\sqrt{-g}\rho W^{2}}{\partial t} = 0, \quad (2.5)$$

$$\frac{\partial\sqrt{\gamma}\rho W^{2}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial\sqrt{-g}(\rho W^{2}s)^{4} + \delta_{r}^{2}}{\partial x^{4}} = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{-g}T^{\mu\nu}\frac{\partial g_{\mu\nu}}{\partial g_{\mu}} + \left(\frac{\partial\sqrt{\gamma}\gamma}{\partial t}\right)_{c}, \quad (2.6)$$

$$\frac{\partial\sqrt{\gamma}\rho WY_{e}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial\sqrt{-g}(\tau^{0} + Pv^{2})}{\partial x^{4}} = \alpha\sqrt{-g}\left(T^{\mu0}\frac{\partial \ln a}{\partial x^{\mu}} - T^{\mu\nu}\Gamma_{\mu\nu}^{0}\right) + \left(\frac{\partial\sqrt{\gamma}\tau}{\partial t}\right)_{c}, \quad (2.7)$$

$$\frac{\partial\sqrt{\gamma}\rho WY_{e}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial\sqrt{-g}\rho WY_{e}^{0}}{\partial x^{4}} = \left(\frac{\partial\sqrt{\gamma}\rho WY_{e}}{\partial t}\right)_{c}, \quad (2.8)$$

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$$GR hydrodynamics$$

$$CFC metric equations$$

$$\frac{\Delta\Phi = -2\pi\phi^{5}\left(E + \frac{K_{ij}K^{ij}}{16\pi}\right), \quad (2.10)$$

$$\Delta(\alpha\Phi) = 2\pi\alpha\phi^{5}\left(E + 2S + \frac{7K_{ij}K^{ij}}{16\pi}\right), \quad (2.11)$$

$$\Delta\beta^{i} = 16\pi\alpha\phi^{4}S^{i} + 2\phi^{10}K^{ij}\hat{y}, \left(\frac{\alpha}{\Phi^{6}}\right) - \frac{1}{3}\hat{\nabla}^{i}\hat{\nabla}_{j}\beta^{j}, \quad (2.12)$$

$$\frac{\partial W(J + v, \hat{H})}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\phi^{2}}\left[\left[\frac{w}{\sigma^{2}} - \beta_{v}\right] \hat{H} + \left(w_{v}\frac{a}{\sigma^{2}} - \beta_{v}\right)\hat{J}\right] - \quad (2.8)$$

$$\frac{\partial W(\hat{H} + v, \hat{H})}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial}{\partial t}\left[\left[\frac{w}{\sigma^{2}} - \beta_{v}\right] + 2\left(\beta_{v} - \frac{\alpha v}{\sigma^{2}}\right)\frac{\partial \ln \phi}{\partial r} - 2\frac{\partial \ln \phi}{\partial t}\right] + \frac{\partial}{\partial t}\left[\frac{W}{\sigma^{2}} - \frac{\partial (\pi^{2})}{\sigma^{2}} + 2\left(\beta_{v} - \frac{\alpha v}{\sigma^{2}}\right)\frac{\partial \ln \phi}{\partial r} - 2\frac{\partial \ln \phi}{\partial t}\right] - \qquad (2.8)$$

$$\frac{\partial W(\hat{H} + v, \hat{H})}{\partial t}\left[\frac{1}{v}\left(\beta_{v} - \frac{\alpha v}{\sigma^{2}}\right)\frac{\partial \ln \phi}{\partial r} - 2\frac{\partial \ln \phi}{\partial t}\right] - \qquad (2.8)$$

$$\frac{\partial W(\hat{H} + v, \hat{H})}{\partial t}\left[\frac{1}{v}\left(\beta_{v} - \frac{\alpha v}{\sigma^{2}}\right)\hat{H} + 2\left(\beta_{v} - \frac{\alpha v}{\sigma^{2}}\right)\hat{H} - 2\left(\frac{\partial \ln \phi}{\partial r} - \frac{\partial \ln \phi}{\partial t}\right) - \frac{\partial \ln \phi}{\partial r} - 2\frac{\partial \ln \phi}{\partial t}\right] - \qquad (2.8)$$

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$$\frac{\partial W(\hat{H} + v, \hat{H})}{\partial t}\left[\frac{1}{v}\left(\beta_{v} - \frac{\alpha v}{\sigma^{2}}\right)\hat{K} + 2\left(\beta_{v} - \frac{\alpha v}{\sigma^{2}}\right)\hat{H} - 2\left(\beta_{v} - \beta_{v} - \beta_{v} - \beta_{v} - \beta_{v}\right)\hat{H}\right] - \qquad (2.8)$$

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Neutrino Reactions in Supernovae

Beta processes:

Neutrino scattering:

Thermal pair processes:

Neutrino-neutrino reactions:

• $e^- + p \rightleftharpoons n + v_e$

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$$e^+ + n \rightleftharpoons p + \bar{v}_e$$

- $e^- + A \rightleftharpoons v_e + A^*$
- $v + n, p \rightleftharpoons v + n, p$
- $\nu + A \rightleftharpoons \nu + A$
- $\nu + e^{\pm} \rightleftharpoons \nu + e^{\pm}$
- $N+N \rightleftharpoons N+N+\nu+\bar{\nu}$

•
$$e^+ + e^- \rightleftharpoons v + \bar{v}$$

- $v_x + v_e, \bar{v}_e \rightleftharpoons v_x + v_e, \bar{v}_e$ $(v_x = v_\mu, \bar{v}_\mu, v_\tau, \text{ or } \bar{v}_\tau)$
- $v_e + \bar{v}_e \rightleftharpoons v_{\mu,\tau} + \bar{v}_{\mu,\tau}$

The Curse and Challenge of the Dimensions

Boltzmann equation determines neutrino distribution function in phase space

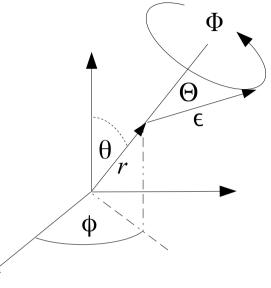
 $f(r, \theta, \phi, \Theta, \Phi, \epsilon, t)$

Integration over momentum space yields source terms for hydrodynamics

$$Q(r, \theta, \phi, t), \dot{Y}_e(r, \theta, \phi, t)$$

Solution approach

- **3D** hydro + **6D** direct discretization of Boltzmann Eq. (no serious attempt yet)
- **2D** hydro + **5D** direct discretization of Boltzmann Eq. (planned by DoE's TSI/SSC)
- **2D** hydro + "**ray-by-ray-plus**" variable Eddington factor method (current method of MPA)
- **3D** hydro + "**ray-by-ray-plus**" variable Eddington factor method (current method of MPA)



Required resources

- \geq 1–10 PFlops (sustained!)
- \geq 10–100 Tflops, TBytes
- ≥ 1 TFlops, < 1 Tbyte
- \geq 10–100 Tflops, TBytes

Computing requirements for 2D & 3D SN modeling

Time-dependent simulations: $t \sim 1$ second, $\sim 10^6$ time steps!

CPU-time requirements for one model run:

In 2D with 600 radial zones, 1 degree lateral resolution:

~ $3*10^{18}$ Flops, corresponds to ~3 years on 32 processor cores

In 3D with 600 radial zones, 1.5 degrees angular resolution:

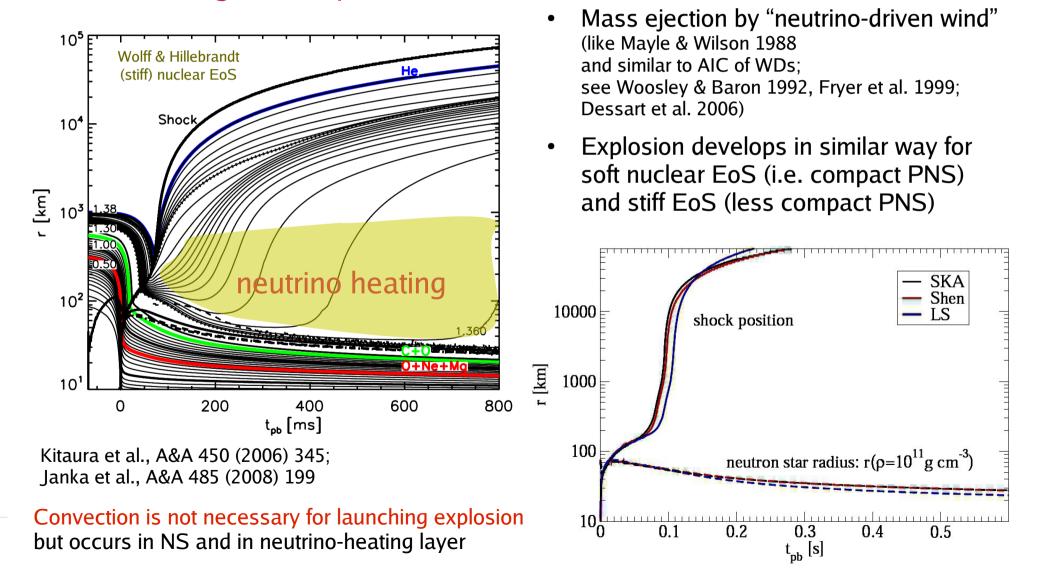
~ $3*10^{20}$ Flops, corresponds to ~1 year on 8192 processor cores



Explosions of $M_{star} \sim 8-10 M_{sun}$ Stars

SN Simulations:

"Electron-capture supernovae" or "ONeMg core supernovae"



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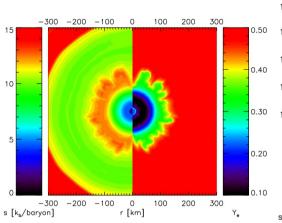
~ 8...10 M

No prompt explosion !

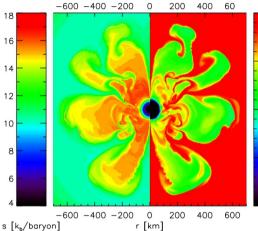
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2D SN Simulations: $M_{-} \sim 8...10 M_{-}$

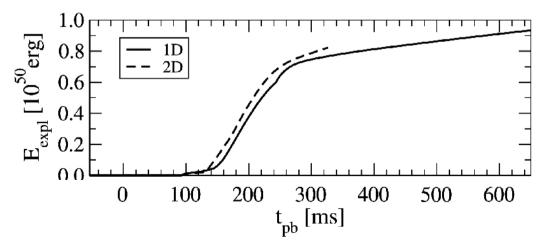
Convection leads to slight increase of explosion energy, causes explosion asymmetries, and ejects n-rich matter!



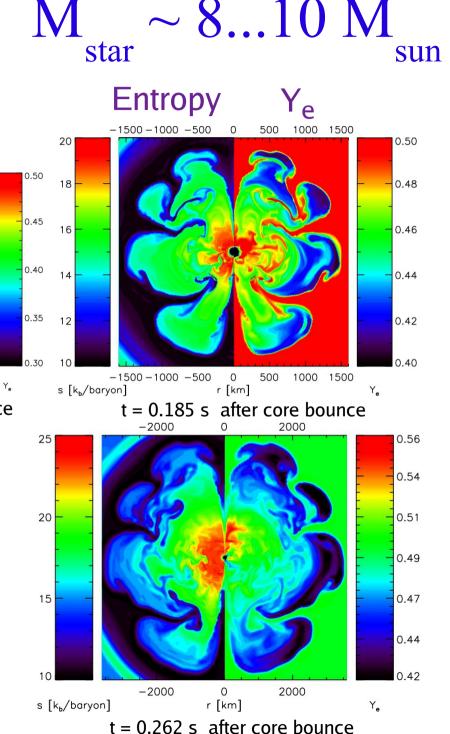
t = 0.097 s after core bounce







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Janka et al. (2008), Müller et al. (in preparation)
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CRAB Nebula with pulsar, remnant of Supernova 1054

Explosion properties:

 $E_{exp} \sim 10^{50} \text{ erg} = 0.1 \text{ bethe}$ M_{Ni} ~ 0.003 M_{sun}

Low explosion energy and ejecta composition (little Ni, C, O) of ONeMg core explosion are compatible with CRAB (SN1054)

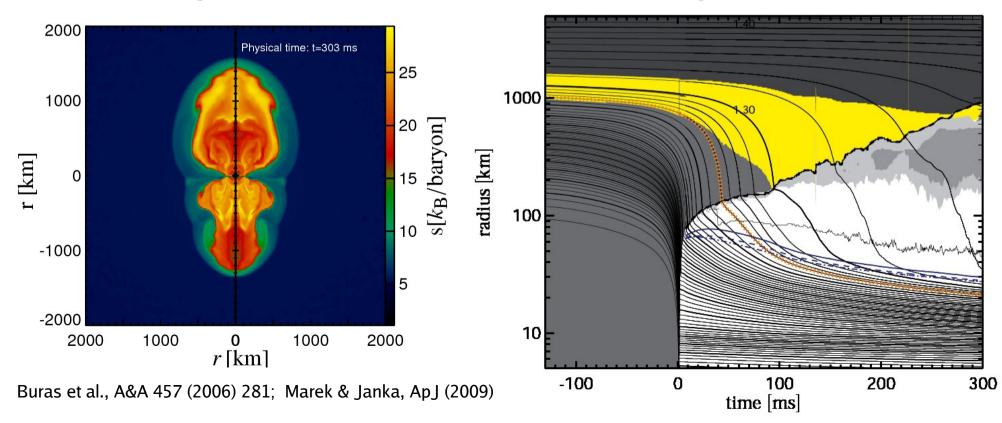
> (Nomoto et al., Nature, 1982; Hillebrandt, A&A, 1982)

Might also explain other lowluminosity supernovae (e.g. SN1997D, 2008S, 2008HA) Explosions of $M_{star} > 10 M_{sun} Stars$

2D SN Simulations: $M_{star} \sim 11 M_{sun}$

For explosions of stars with M > 10 M_{sun} multi-dimensional effects (nonradial hydrodynamic instabilities) are crucial ! Low-mode nonradial (dipole, I=1, and quadrupole, I=2) "standing accretion shock instability" ("SASI"; Blondin et al. 2003) develops and pushes shock to larger radii

===> This stretches dwelling time of matter in neutrino heating layer and thus increases energy deposition; initiation of globally aspherical explosion by neutrino heating even without rotation





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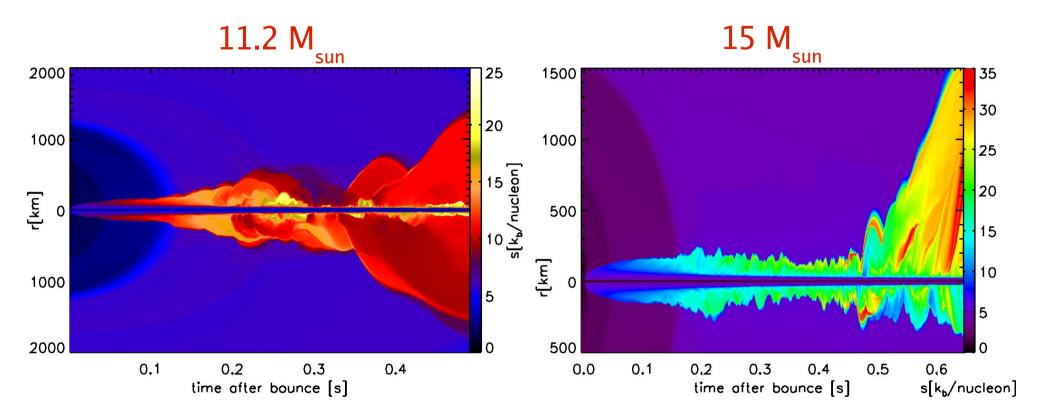
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s[kB/baryon]

400 Violent SASI oscillations: Physical time: t=610 ms v-driven explosion sets in 200 at t ~ 600 ms after bounce r [km] 0 -200 1000 -400 radius [km] 400 200 0 r [km] 100 (Marek, PhD Thesis 2007; Marek & THJ, ApJ, 2009) 10 -200 200 400 600 0 time [ms]

Relativistic 2D SN Models: 11.2 and 15 M Stars



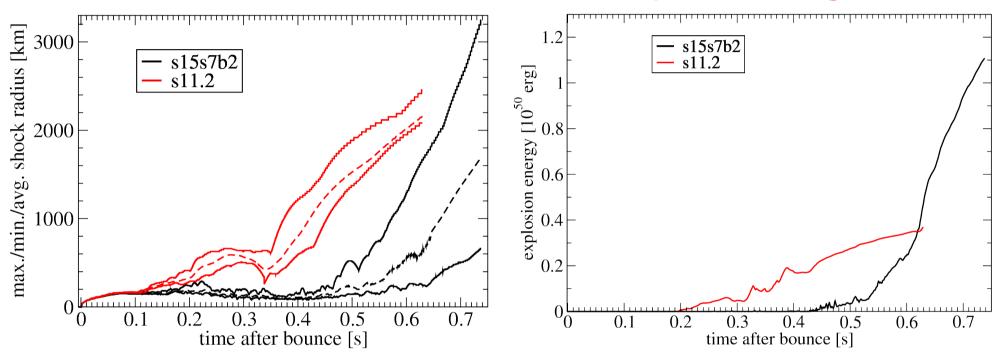
Violent, long lasting shock oscillations produce quasi-periodic variations of neutrino emission and gravitationalwave signal.

(Müller, THJ, Marek & Dimmelmeier, to be submitted)

Relativistic 2D SN Simulations

Shock radii

Explosion energies



(Müller, THJ, Marek & Dimmelmeier, to be submitted)

- Relativistic (GR) 2D calculations basically confirm our "post-Newtonian" results.
- Explosions with GR develop somewhat faster and earlier. GR effects help!
- 2D explosions are seemingly "marginal", i.e., tend to set in late and to be relatively weak and highly deformed.

Explosion Energies and NS masses

$$E_{\rm exp} \approx \dot{E}_{\nu} \tau_{\rm acc} + E_{\rm wind} + E_{\rm burn} - E_{\rm bind}$$

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 $\dot{E}_{\nu} \sim \zeta \dot{M}_{\rm acc} \dot{q}_{\nu} \tau_{\rm adv}$

(E_{exp} depends on the duration of simultaneous accretion & outflow after onset of explosion: $t_{exp} \sim 0.5$ sec)

$$\sim 2 \times 10^{51} \frac{\text{erg}}{\text{s}} \left(\frac{\zeta}{0.5}\right) \left(\frac{\dot{M}_{\text{acc}}}{0.2 M_{\odot}/\text{s}}\right) \times \\ \times \left(\frac{\dot{q}_{\nu} m_{\text{B}}}{300 \text{ MeV/s}}\right) \left(\frac{\tau_{\text{adv}}}{30 \text{ ms}}\right) \qquad \tau_{\text{acc}} \approx \frac{R}{\tau_{\text{acc}}}$$

 $F_{\rm acc} \approx \frac{R_{\rm esc}}{v_{\rm s}} \sim 0.5 \, {\rm s} \, M_{1.5} \, v_{{\rm s},9}^{-3}$

Stellar mass	t _{exp}	ΔM_{gain}	E_{exp}	M _{ns} (baryonic)		
[M _{sun}]	[ms]	$[M_{sun}]$	[B]	[M _{sun}]		
8 – 10 ~11 15	150 250 600	< 0.01 0.01 0.08	~ 0.1 0.1 - 0.2 ~ 1.0	1.35 1.35 1.55		

NOTE: The stellar properties do not vary monotonically with the progenitor mass (cf. Woosley, Heger, & Weaver 2005)

Questions & Challenges

- 2D simulations seem to yield "marginal" successes for some progenitor models.
- Is neutrino heating indeed the power behind explosions of Fe-core progenitors with > 10 solar masses?
- 3D simulations needed !!
- Is 3D hydrodynamics more favorable for explosions than 2D? The answer is not finally clear!

Consequences and Implications of Neutrino Heating and SASI in Stellar Explosions

- Neutron star kicks (Scheck et al. 2004, 2006; Wongwathanat et al. 2010)
- Asymmetric mass ejection & large-scale radial mixing (Kifonidis et al. 2005)
- Charactersitic neutrino signal modulations

(Marek et al. 2009; Müller et al. 2011)

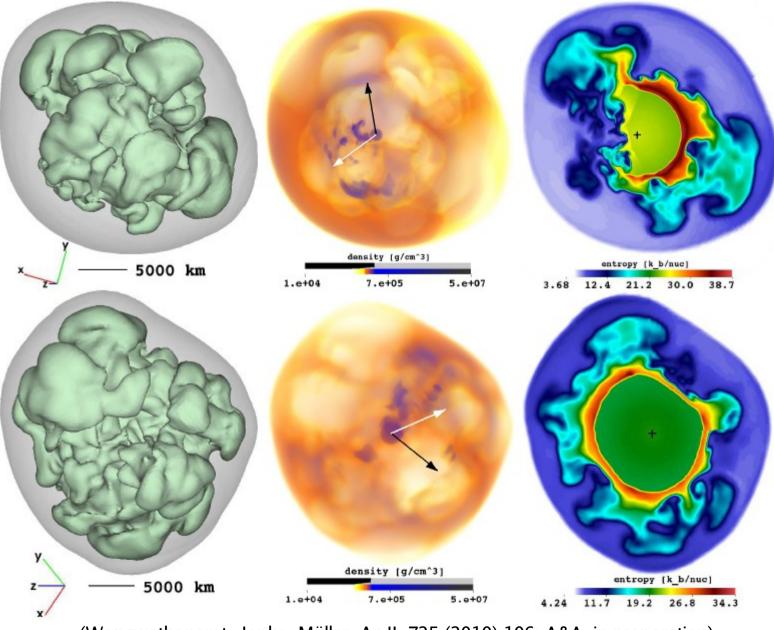
• Gravitational wave signals (Marek et al. 2009; Müller et al. 2011)

Neutron Star Kicks in 3D Explosions

Parametric explosion calculations:

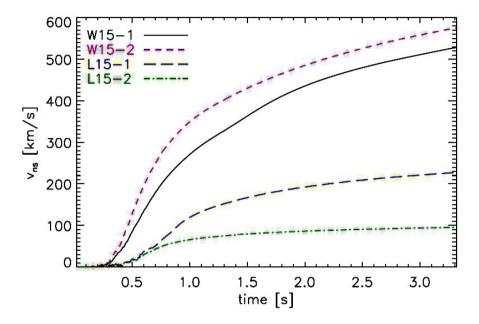
Neutrino core luminosity of proto-NS chosen; Accretion luminosity calculated with simple (grey) transport scheme.

Neutron Star Recoil in 3D



(Wongwathanarat, Janka, Müller, ApJL 725 (2010) 106; A&A, in preparation)

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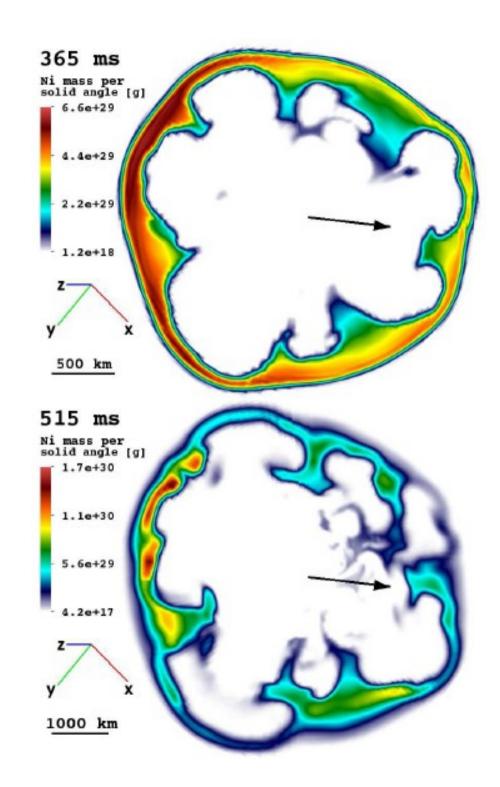
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Model	$M_{\rm ns}$ [M_{\odot}]	t _{exp} [ms]	E_{exp} [B]	v _{ns} [km/s]	$a_{\rm ns}$ [km/s ²]	$v_{ns,v}$ [km/s]	$\alpha_{k\nu}$ [°]	v ^{long} [km/s]	a_{ns}^{long} [km/s ²]	$J_{\rm ns,46}$ [10 ⁴⁶ g cm ² /s]	α_{sk}	$T_{\rm spin}$ [ms]
W15-1	1.37	246	1.12	331	175	3	151	525	44	1.51	117	652
W15-2	1.37	248	1.13	405	144	1	126	575	49	1.56	58	632
W15-3	1.36	250	1.11	266	126	1	160	-	-	1.13	105	864
W15-4	1.38	272	0.94	262	136	4	162	-	-	1.27	43	785
W15-5-lr	1.40	270	0.97	128	72	1	102	-	-	2.29	141	440
L15-1	1.58	421	1.13	161	66	5	135	228	16	1.89	148	604
L15-2	1.51	381	1.74	78	3	1	150	96	4	1.04	62	1041
L15-3	1.62	477	0.84	31	0	1	51	-	-	1.55	123	750
L15-4-lr	1.70	703	0.55	146	152	4	62	-	-	1.64	100	743
N20-1-lr	1.53	348	0.83	175	62	30	171	-	-	2.81	155	393
N20-2	1.28	265	3.12	101	1	4	159	-	-	7.26	43	127

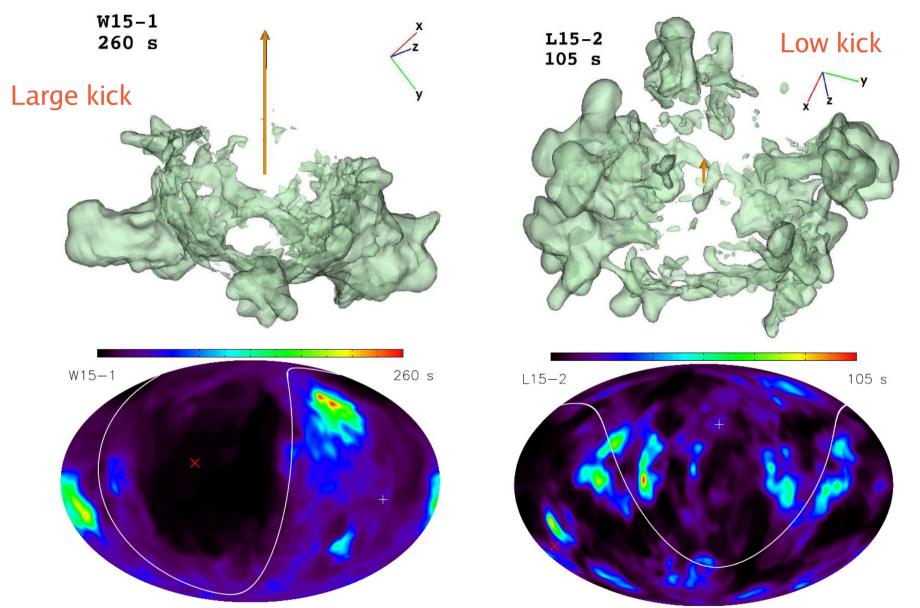
Neutron Star Recoil and Nickel Production

Nickel production is enhanced in direction of stronger explosion, i.e. opposite to NS kick

> (Wongwathanarat, Janka, Müller, A&A, to be submitted)



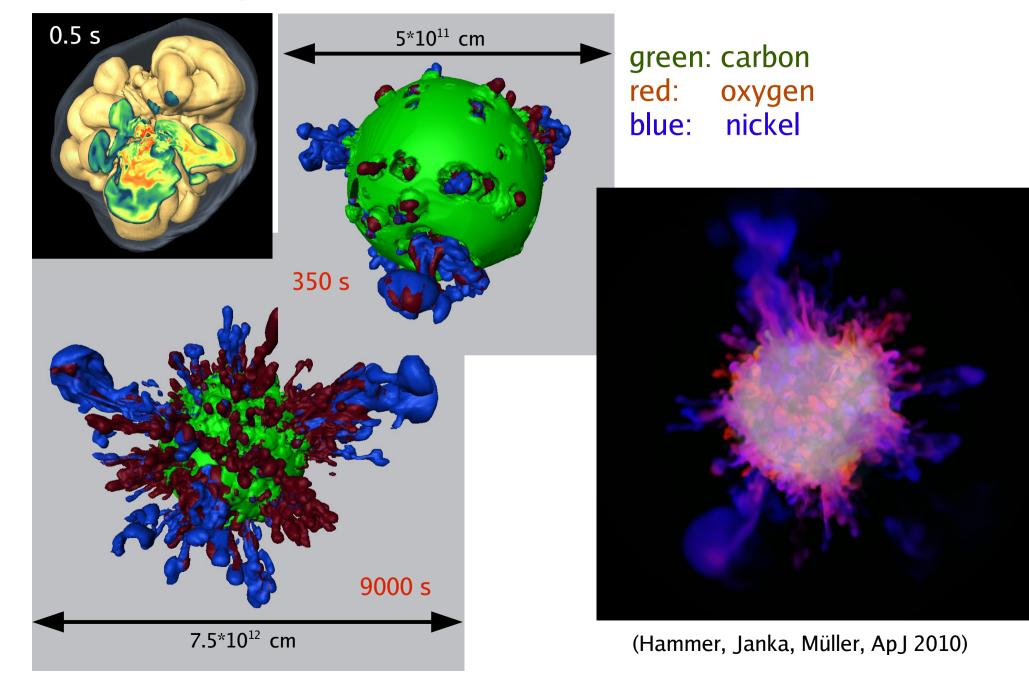
Neutron Star Recoil and Nickel Production



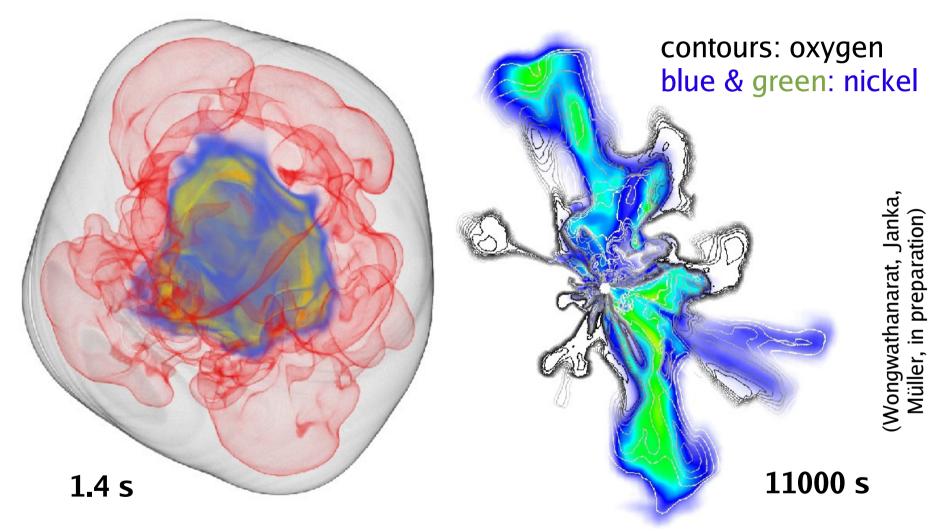
Enhanced concentration of iron in supernova remnants opposite to direction of large pulsar kick can be observable consequence of hydrodynamical kick mechanism.

3D Explosions and Supernova Asymmetries

Mixing Instabilities in 3D SN Models

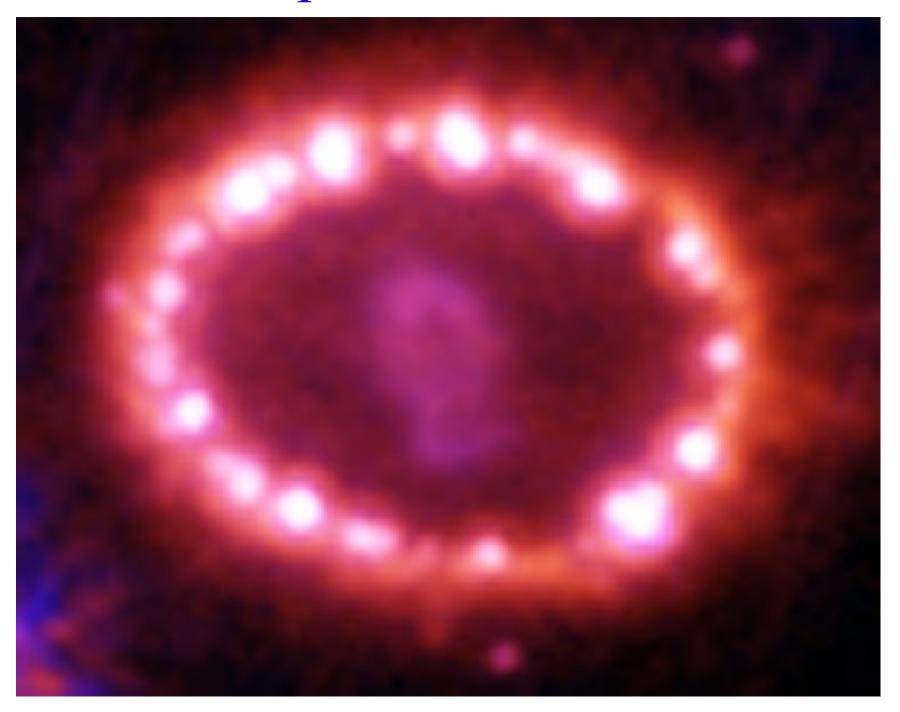


Asymmetry of Supernova 1987A



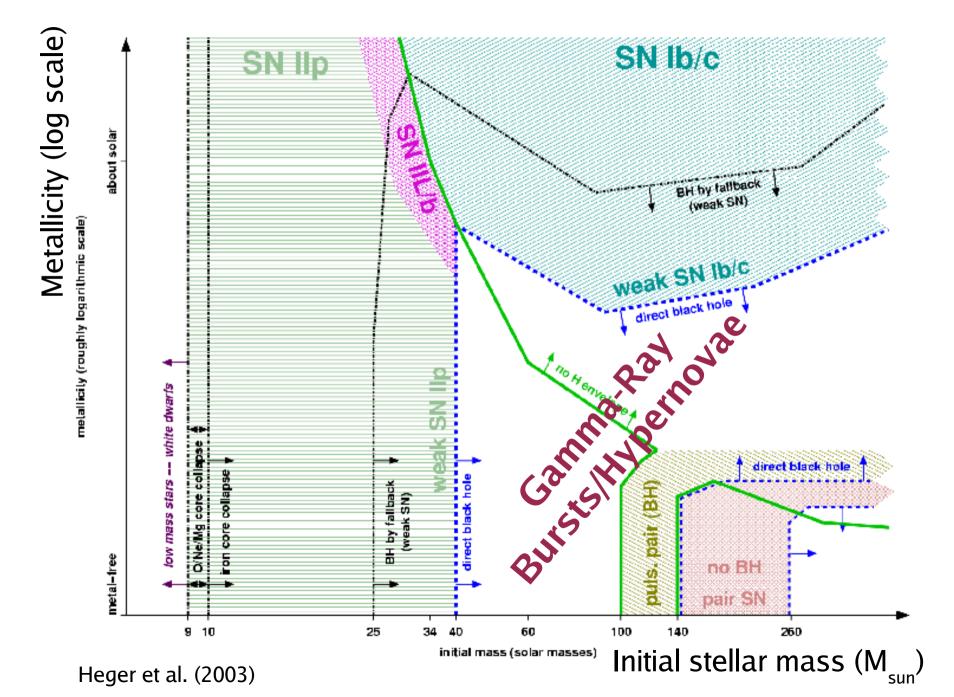
Relatively small convective asymmetries of early explosion can grow into largescale asymmetry of the nickel and heavy-elements distributions!

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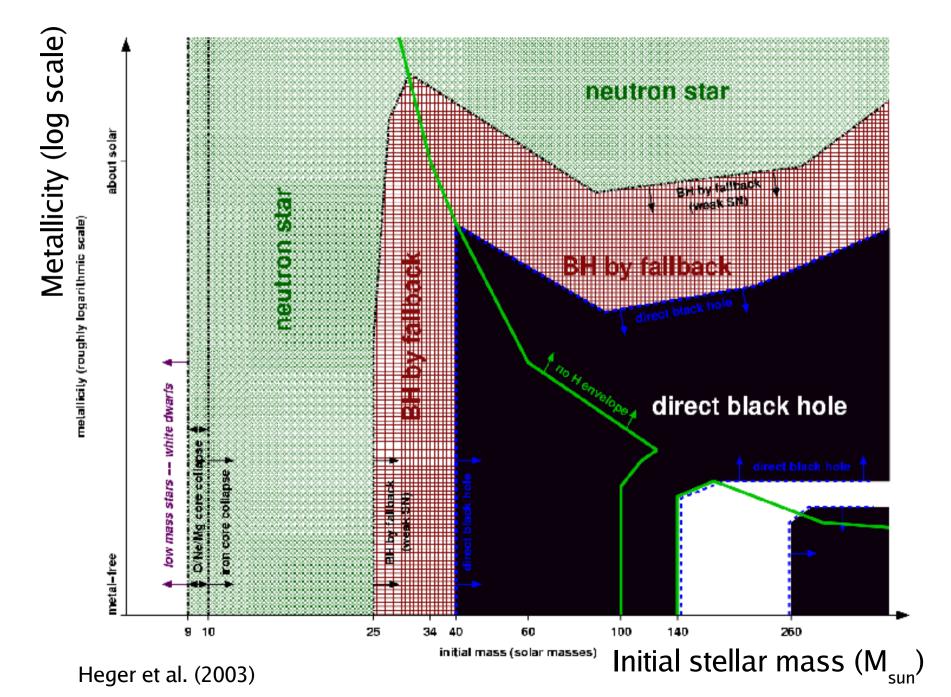


Alternative Explosion Mechanisms

Core Collapse Events and Remnants



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- QCD phase transition?

Possibly/probably there is more than just one mechanism at work, depending on the properties of progenitor stars (i.e. their pre-collapse Fe-core mass, He-core size, and rotation rate and profile, as determined by the initial stellar mass, metallicity, angular momentum transport in star, and binary effects)

• Magnetohydrodynamic (MHD) explosion mechanism Free energy of rotation is converted to magnetic energy; magnetic pressure or dissipative heating via magnetorotational instability (MRI) can drive explosion! (e.g., Meier et al. 1976, Akiyama & Wheeler 2003, Kotake et al. 2004, 2005, Moiseenko et al. 2005, Thompson et al. 2005, Obergaulinger et al. 2006, Burrows et al. 2007)

Requires a lot of rotational energy ====> very fast initial rotation; probably at work in GRBs and possibly in magnetar-producing supernovae, because Fe cores of ordinary SN progenitors rotate slowly (P_{ini} > 100 sec)

(Heger et al. 2005)

$$E_{\rm rot}^{\rm free} < E_{\rm rot} \approx 2 \times 10^{52} \, {\rm erg} \left(\frac{M_{\rm ns}}{1.5 \, M_{\odot}}\right) \left(\frac{R_{\rm ns}}{10 \, {\rm km}}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1 \, {\rm ms}}{P_{\rm ns}}\right)^2 \,,$$
$$P_{\rm ini} \sim P_{\rm ns} \left(\frac{R_{\rm ini}}{R_{\rm ns}}\right)^2 \sim 10 \, {\rm s} \left(\frac{P_{\rm ns}}{1 \, {\rm ms}}\right) \,.$$

But: Heger, Woosley, & Spruit (2005; ApJ 626, 350) predict:

$$P_{\rm ini} \gtrsim 100 \, {\rm s}, \ \Omega_{\rm ini} \lesssim 0.05 \, {\rm rad \, s^{-1}} \longrightarrow P_{\rm ns} \gtrsim 10 \, {\rm ms}$$

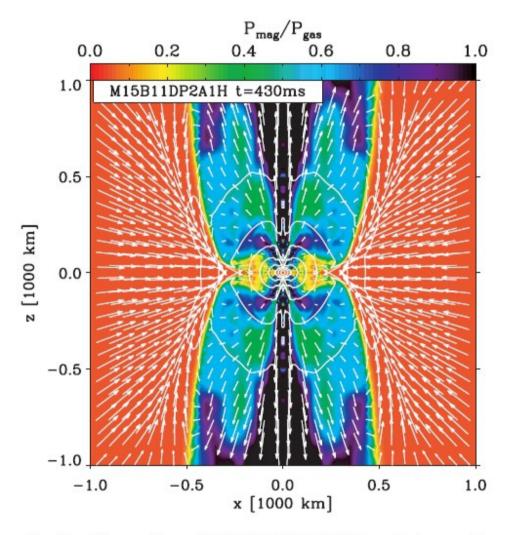
Simulations show: MHD explosions need $P_{ini} < 2$ sec

(Burrows et al. 2007; Thompson et al. 2005)

Magnetohydrodynamic Explosions

Magnetohydrodynamic (MHD) explosion:

- * globally aspherical, jets
- * potentially very energetic
- * hypernovae, collapsars, BH-forming & GRB SNe



F1G. 9.—Color map for model M15B11DP2A1H at 430 ms after bounce of the ratio of magnetic to gas pressure, overplotted with white isodensity contours (every decade downward from 10^{14} g cm⁻³) and velocity vectors (length saturated to 15% of the width of the figure and corresponding to a velocity of 10,000 km s⁻¹).

Burrows et al., ApJ (2007)

Black-Hole Forming Stellar Collapses

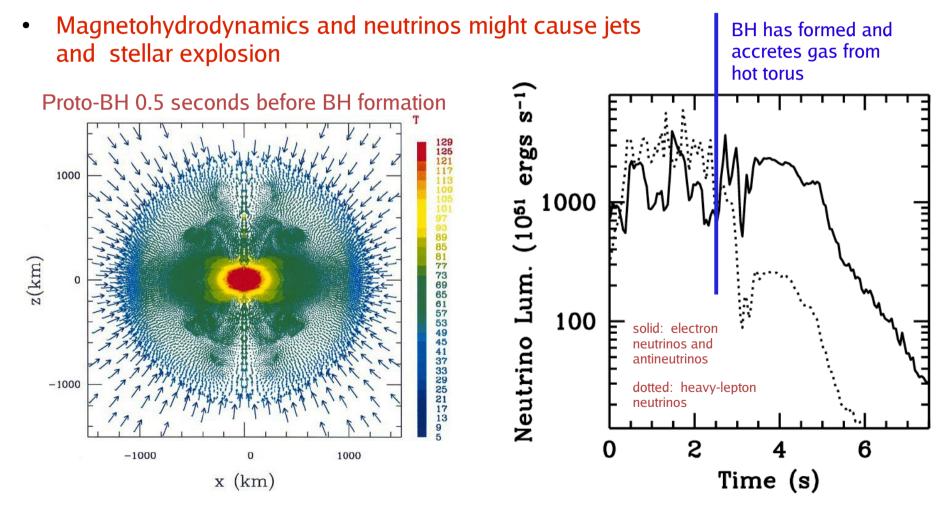
The collapsing stellar core and forming & accreting neutron star (NS) or black hole (BH) radiates huge neutrino energy:

$$E_v \sim 3x10^{53} \text{ erg } (M_{ns}/M_{sun})^2/(R_{ns}/10 \text{ km}) \text{ for NS}$$

Neutrinos are main channel of energy loss of collapsing stars!

Collapse of Rotating 300 M_{sun} Star

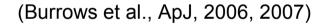
- Formation of a BH with thick accretion torus
- Neutrino luminosities $> 10^{54}$ erg/s
- After BH formation: reduction of muon and neutrino luminosities

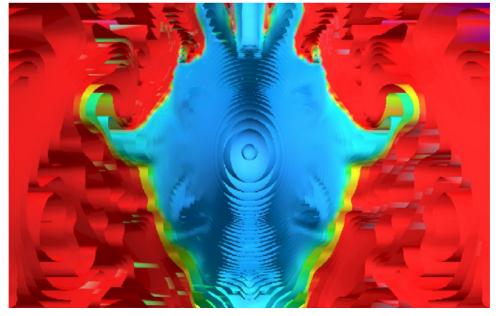


(Fryer et al., ApJ 550 (2001) 372; see also Sekiguchi & Shibata 2011)

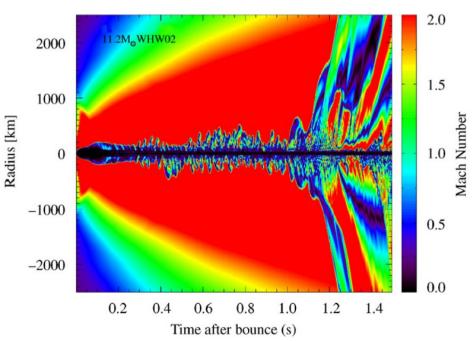
- Acoustically-driven?
 - Neutron star is excited to I=1 g-mode oscillations by (non)steady accretion
 - Transfers accretion power through acoustic waves to explosion
 - Neutron star acts as transducer

$$\dot{E} \sim \frac{\pi \rho}{2} (gR_0)^{3/2} H_0^2 \sim 0.5 \times 10^{51} \,\mathrm{erg \, s^{-1}} \rho_{11} (g_{13})^{3/2} \left(\frac{R_0}{10 \,\mathrm{km}}\right)^{3/2} \left(\frac{H_0}{3 \,\mathrm{km}}\right)^2,$$





(Burrows et al., Phys. Rep. 442, 2007)



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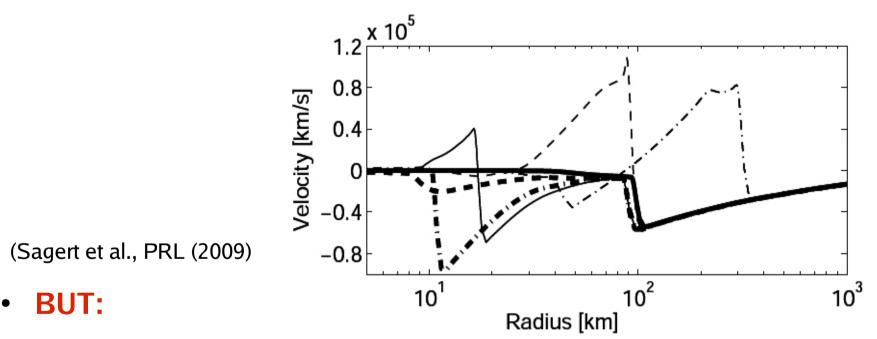
Accretion induces neutron star I=1 g-mode oscillations, which transfer energy outward by acoustic waves, power explosion (Burrows et al. 2006a,b)

BUT:

Can large-amplitude g-mode oscillations of the NS really be excited, also in 3D? Are they damped by mode coupling and dissipation? (Weinberg & Quataert 2008)

• Driven by QCD phase transition?

QCD phase transition in forming compact remnant releases energy and triggers second shock wave that causes explosion:

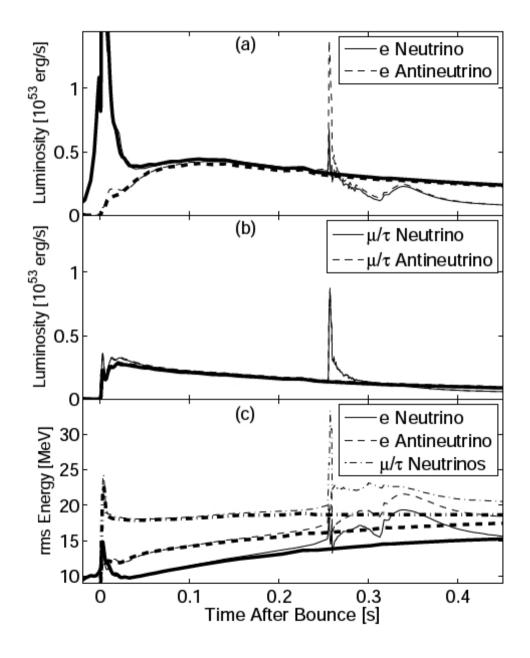


Requires transition to denser quark matter phase at rather low density; Soft quark matter EoS leads to BH formation already for 15 M_{sun} stars; Seems not compatible with long-duration neutrino signal from SN 1987A

Likely to be incompatible with observation of ~2 solar mass NS (Demorest et al. 2010)

Collapse of Neutron Star to Quark Star

- QCD phase transition with small MIT bag model constants
- Phase transition to quark matter leads to second shock wave
- Second peak in the neutrino signal
- Significant changes in mean energies of emitted neutrinos



bold: hadronic EoS thin: quark EoS

(Sagert et al., PRL, PRL 2009)

Conclusions

- Neutrino heating can power explosions of 8–10 M_{sun} stars with ONeMg cores
 ----> seems to explain observations of Crab-like supernovae (agreement between results of different groups)
- For stars with M > 10 M_{sun}: non-radial asymmetries seem to be generic to explosion mechanism (SASI, convection, MHD, NS core g-modes)
- Most sophisticated present models show SASI & convectively supported neutrino-driven explosions at least for 11–15 M_{sun} stars.

Need to verify robustness and need independent confirmation!

- Step to 3D simulations is necessary!
- Other than neutrino-driven explosion mechanisms may be at work in rapidly rotating and/or very massive stellar cores
- Urgently need observations (neutrinos, GWs, better determination of SN explosion parameters) to constrain models!

3D vs. 2D Differences

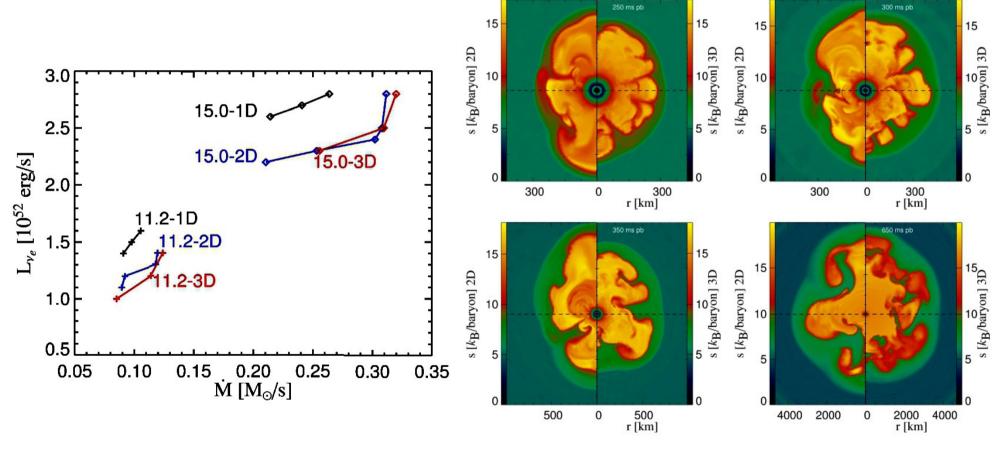
2D-3D Differences in Parametric Explosion Models

 Nordhaus, Burrows et al. performed 2D & 3D simulations with simple neutrinoheating and cooling terms and found 15-20% improvement in 3D for 15 M_{sun} progenitor star (ApJ 720 (2010) 694)

$$\mathcal{H} = 1.544 \times 10^{20} \left(\frac{L_{\nu_e}}{10^{52} \text{ erg s}^{-1}} \right) \left(\frac{T_{\nu_e}}{4 \text{ MeV}} \right)^2 \qquad \mathcal{C} = 1.399 \times 10^{20} \left(\frac{T}{2 \text{ MeV}} \right)^6 (Y_n + Y_p) e^{-\tau_{\nu_e}} \left[\frac{\text{erg}}{\text{g s}} \right] \\ \times \left(\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right)^2 (Y_n + Y_p) e^{-\tau_{\nu_e}} \left[\frac{\text{erg}}{\text{g s}} \right] \\ \frac{32}{4} \left(\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right)^2 (Y_n + Y_p) e^{-\tau_{\nu_e}} \left[\frac{\text{erg}}{\text{g s}} \right] \\ \frac{32}{4} \left(\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right)^2 (Y_n + Y_p) e^{-\tau_{\nu_e}} \left[\frac{\text{erg}}{\text{g s}} \right] \\ \frac{32}{4} \left(\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right)^2 (Y_n + Y_p) e^{-\tau_{\nu_e}} \left[\frac{\text{erg}}{\text{g s}} \right] \\ \frac{32}{4} \left(\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right)^2 (Y_n + Y_p) e^{-\tau_{\nu_e}} \left[\frac{\text{erg}}{\text{g s}} \right] \\ \frac{32}{4} \left(\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right)^2 (Y_n + Y_p) e^{-\tau_{\nu_e}} \left[\frac{\text{erg}}{\text{g s}} \right] \\ \frac{32}{4} \left(\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right)^2 (Y_n + Y_p) e^{-\tau_{\nu_e}} \left[\frac{\text{erg}}{\text{g s}} \right] \\ \frac{32}{4} \left(\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right)^2 (Y_n + Y_p) e^{-\tau_{\nu_e}} \left[\frac{\text{erg}}{\text{g s}} \right] \\ \frac{32}{4} \left(\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right)^2 (Y_n + Y_p) e^{-\tau_{\nu_e}} \left[\frac{\text{erg}}{\text{g s}} \right] \\ \frac{32}{4} \left(\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right)^2 (Y_n + Y_p) e^{-\tau_{\nu_e}} \left[\frac{\text{erg}}{\text{g s}} \right] \\ \frac{32}{4} \left(\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right)^2 (Y_n + Y_p) e^{-\tau_{\nu_e}} \left[\frac{\text{erg}}{\text{g s}} \right] \\ \frac{32}{4} \left(\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right)^2 (Y_n + Y_p) e^{-\tau_{\nu_e}} \left[\frac{\text{erg}}{\text{g s}} \right] \\ \frac{32}{4} \left(\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right)^2 (Y_n + Y_p) e^{-\tau_{\nu_e}} \left[\frac{\text{erg}}{\text{g s}} \right] \\ \frac{32}{4} \left(\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right)^2 (Y_n + Y_p) e^{-\tau_{\nu_e}} \left[\frac{\text{erg}}{\text{g s}} \right] \\ \frac{32}{4} \left(\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right)^2 (Y_n + Y_p) e^{-\tau_{\nu_e}} \left[\frac{\text{erg}}{\text{g s}} \right] \\ \frac{32}{4} \left(\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right)^2 (Y_n + Y_p) e^{-\tau_{\nu_e}} \left[\frac{\text{erg}}{\text{g s}} \right] \\ \frac{32}{4} \left(\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right)^2 (Y_n + Y_p) e^{-\tau_{\nu_e}} \left[\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right] \\ \frac{32}{4} \left(\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right)^2 (Y_n + Y_p) e^{-\tau_{\nu_e}} \left[\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right] \\ \frac{32}{4} \left(\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right)^2 (Y_n + Y_p) e^{-\tau_{\nu_e}} \left[\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right] \\ \frac{32}{4} \left(\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right)^2 (Y_n + Y_p) e^{-\tau_{\nu_e}} \left[\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right] \\ \frac{32}{4} \left(\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right)^2 (Y_n + Y_p) e^{-\tau_{\nu_e}} \left[\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right] \\ \frac{32}{4} \left(\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r} \right)^2 (Y_n + Y_p) e^{-\tau_{\nu_e}} \left[\frac{100 \text{ km}}{r$$

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 F. Hanke (Diploma Thesis, MPA, Garching, 2010) in agreement with L. Scheck (PhD Thesis, MPA, 2007) cannot confirm the findings by Nordhaus et al. (2010) ! 2D and 3D simulations for 11.2 M_{sun} and 15 M_{sun} progenitors are very similar!



2D & 3D slices for 15 M_{sun} model, L = 2.5*10⁵² erg/s