

Explosive/Eruptive LBV-like mass loss and
Superluminous Supernovae
(especially Type IIn)

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OVERVIEW

SLSN II_n

$E_{\text{rad}} \approx 10^{51}$ ergs

SLSN Ic

Examples:

2006gy, 2006tf, 2008fz, 2008am
2003ma, 2010jl, etc.
(2002ic, 2005gj, etc.)

2008es (?)

2005ap, SC06F6, PTF09atu,
PTF09cnd, 2009jh, 2010gx, etc.
(2007bi, 1999as, PTF10nmn)

Diversity:

Very diverse

Not so diverse

Line widths:

100-4000 km/s

10,000 km/s

Duration:

100-1000 days

Faster decline (not ^{56}Co)

Temperature:

Usually 6000-7000 K
X-rays often self-absorbed

>12,000 K
Peak in UV

Engine(s):

cc + CSM int.
SN Ia + CSM int.
PISN/Magnetar + CSM int.

cc + opaque CSM int.
cc + Magnetar
(^{56}Ni – PISN)

Progenitors:

Massive eruptive star
(LBV-like, pulsational PI)
or Ia

Massive WC/WO-like star
(very massive if p-PI or PISN)

Hosts:

Dwarfs, $Z \leq Z_{\odot}$

Dwarfs, $Z \ll Z_{\odot}$

Rates:

10^{-4} to 10^{-3} ccSN

10^{-4} ccSN

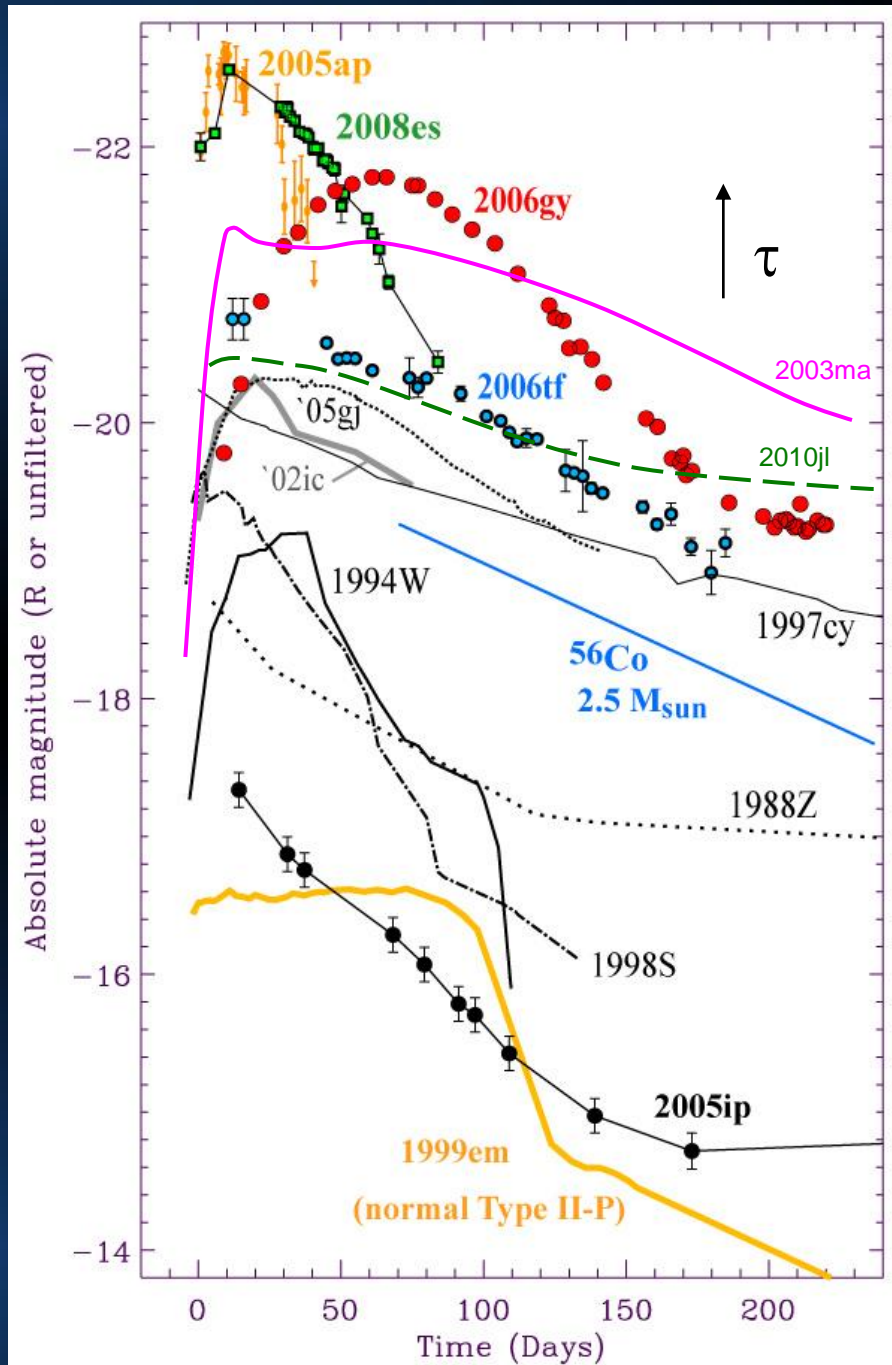
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Type II_n supernovae:

Luminosity range → CSM diversity

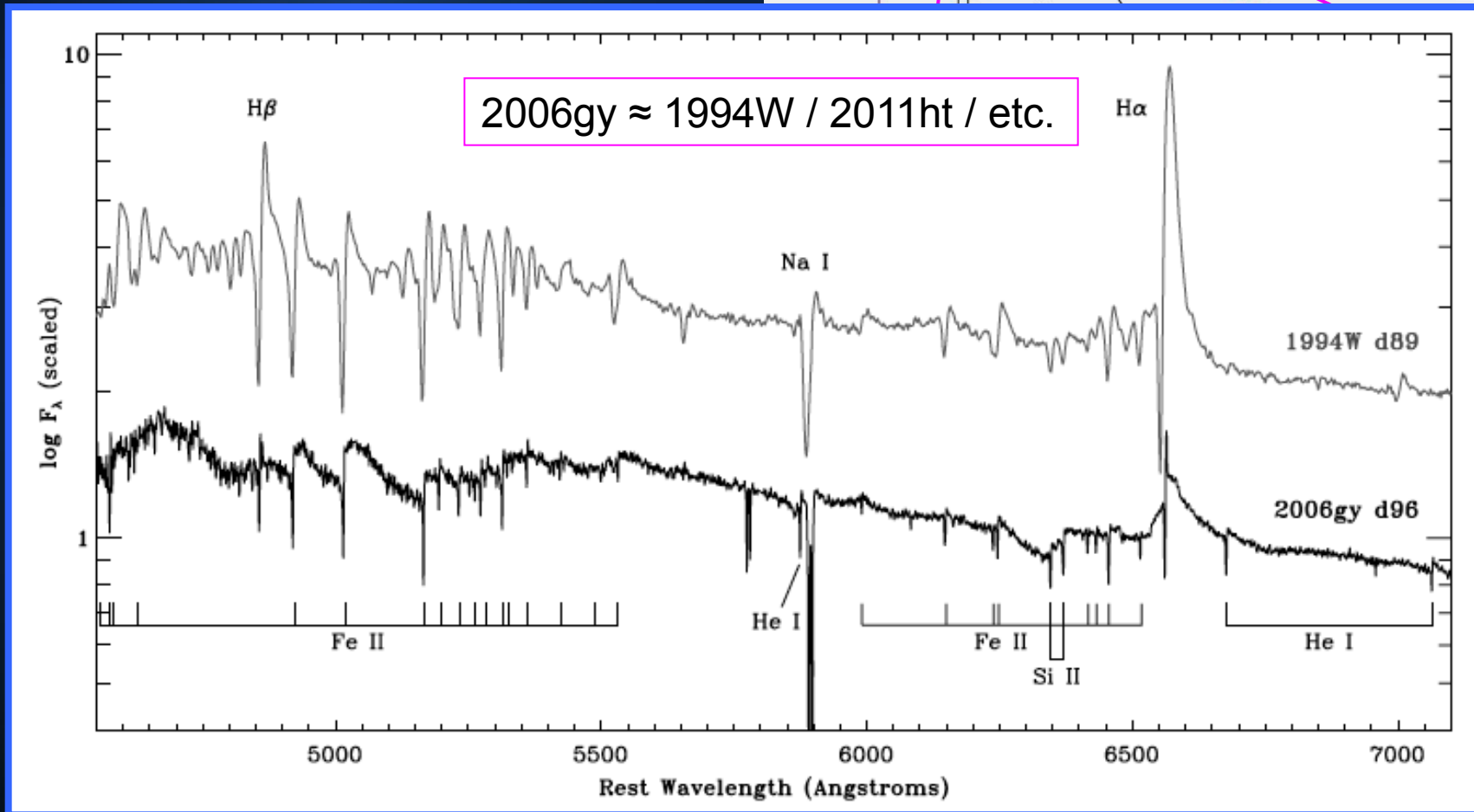
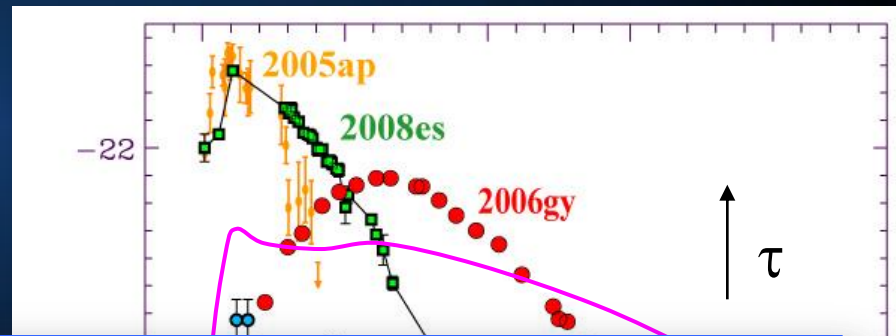
SN 2006gy	Smith+07,08,10; Ofek+07; Woosley+07...
SN 2006tf	Smith et al. 2008
SN 2003ma	Rest et al. 2011
SN 2008am	Chatzopoulos et al. 2011
SN 2008fz	Drake et al. 2010
SN 2010jl	Smith+11, 12; Andrews+11; Stoll+11; Zhang+12
SN 2002ic	many many papers
SN 2005gj	Aldering+06; Prieto+??
SN 2008es	Miller+09; Gezari+09 (NOT a II _n)

Diversity of CSM for SNe II_n
results from a range of CSM mass
and distribution (more later)



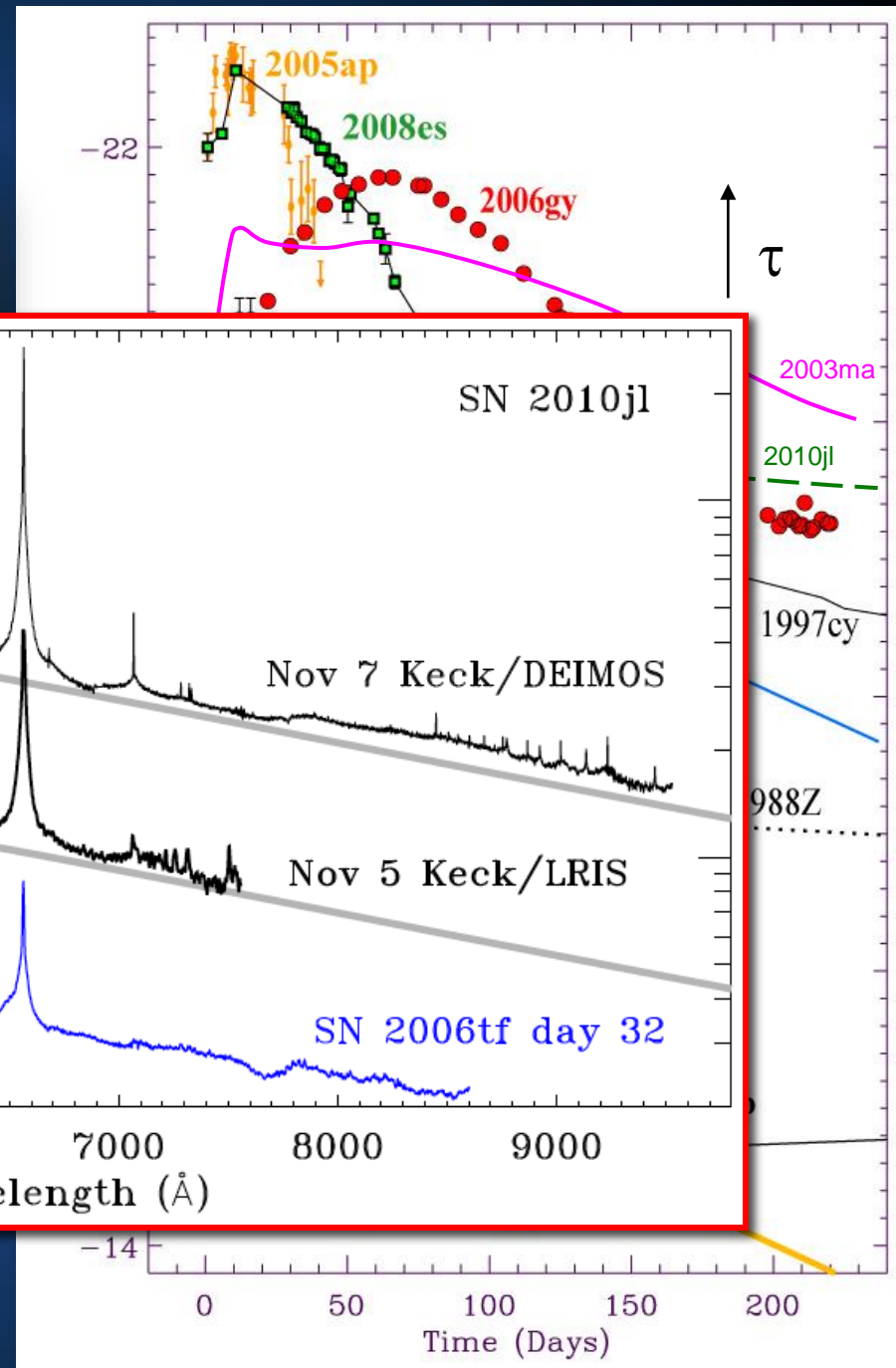
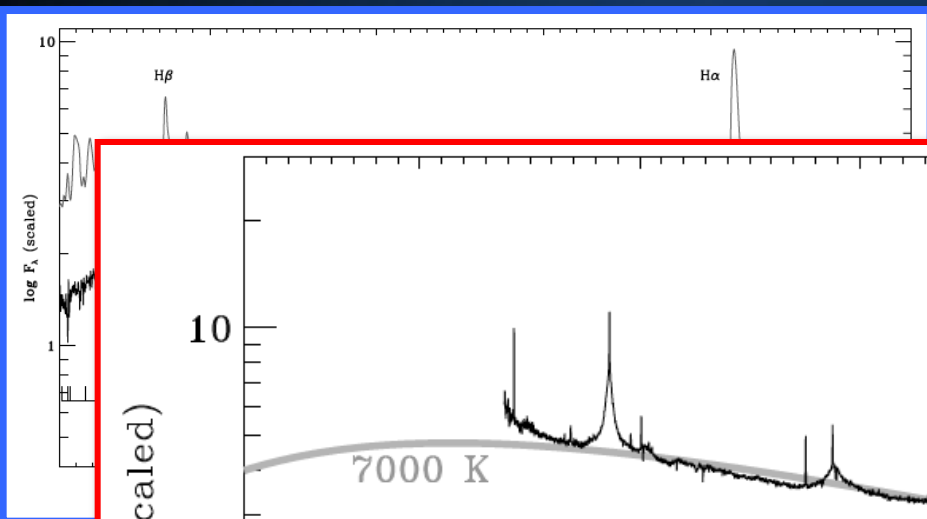
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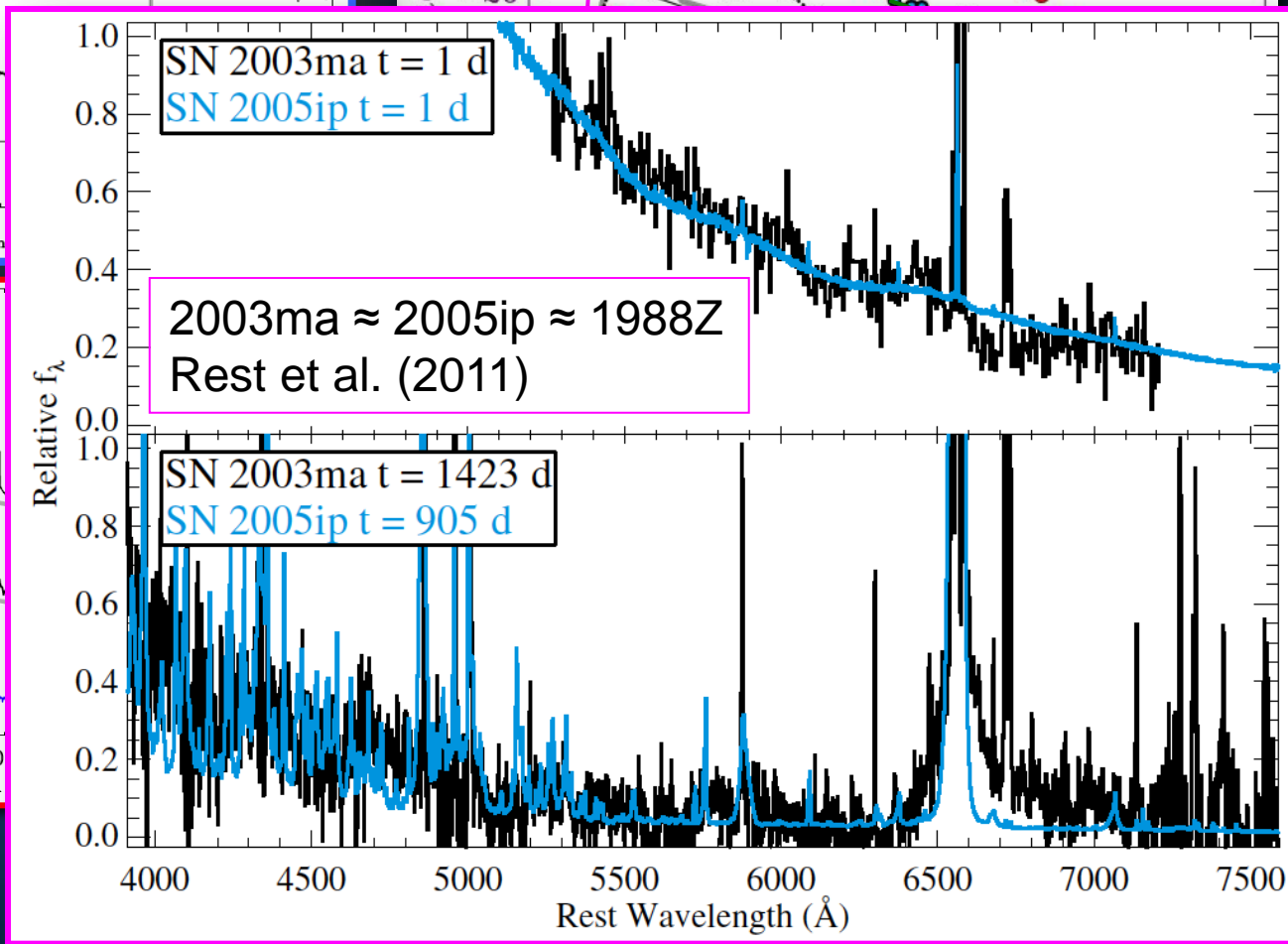
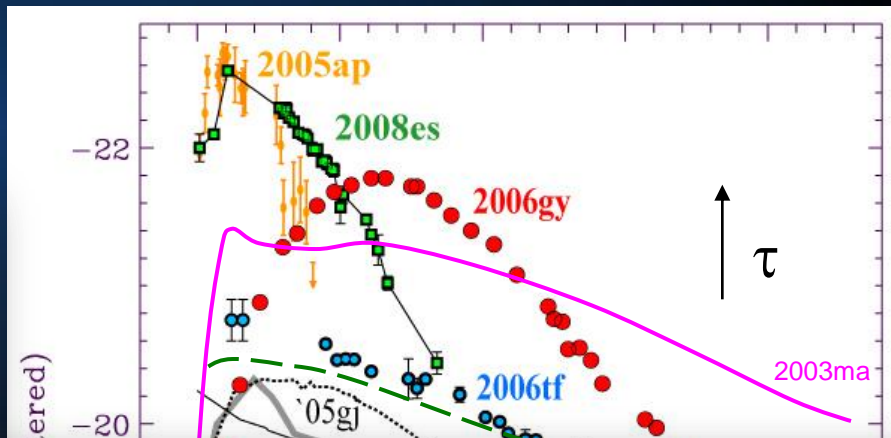
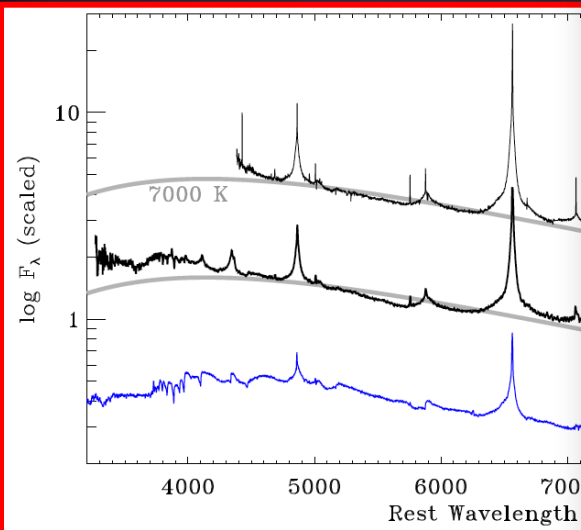
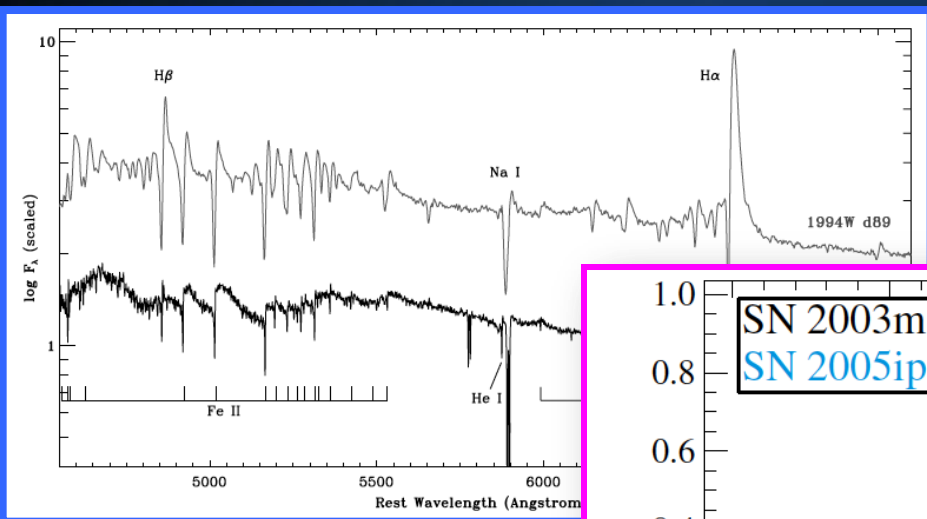
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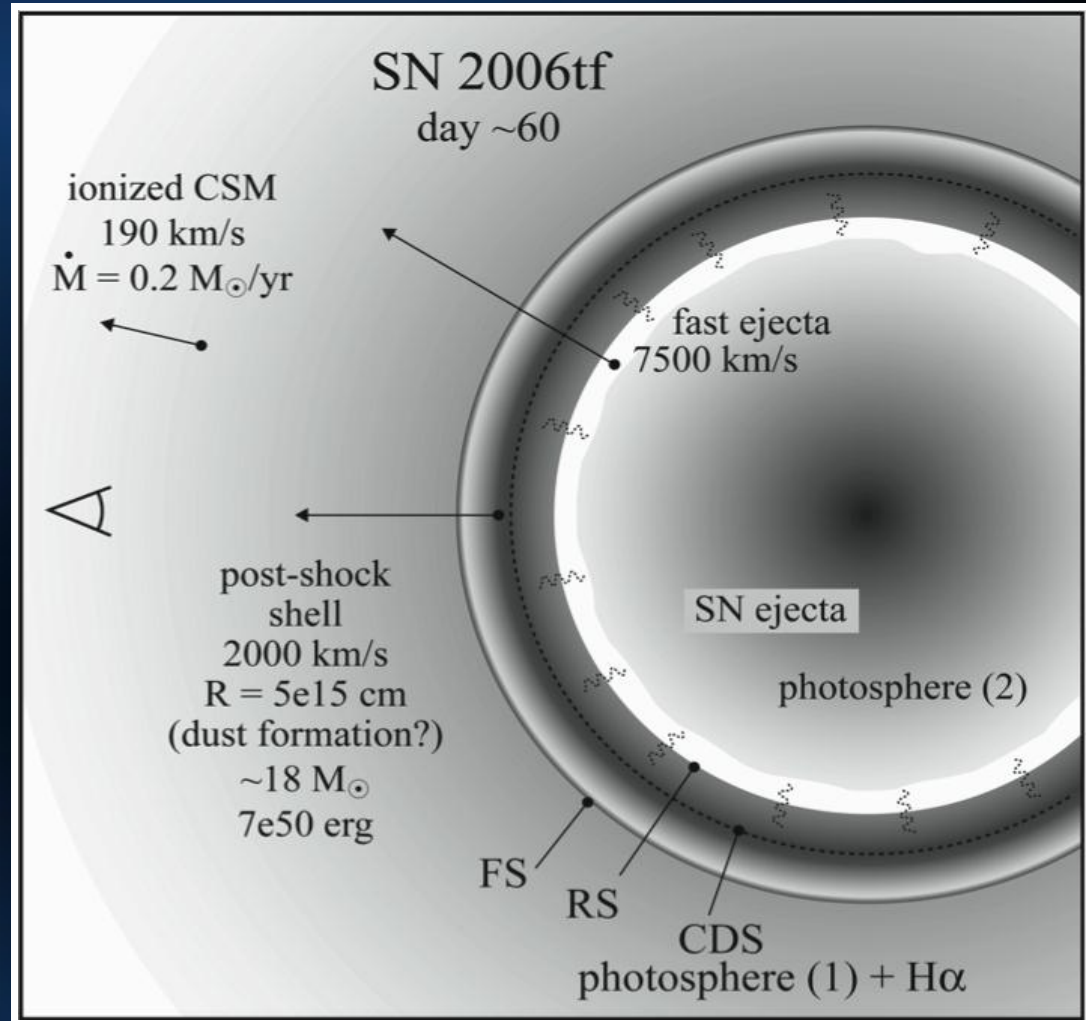
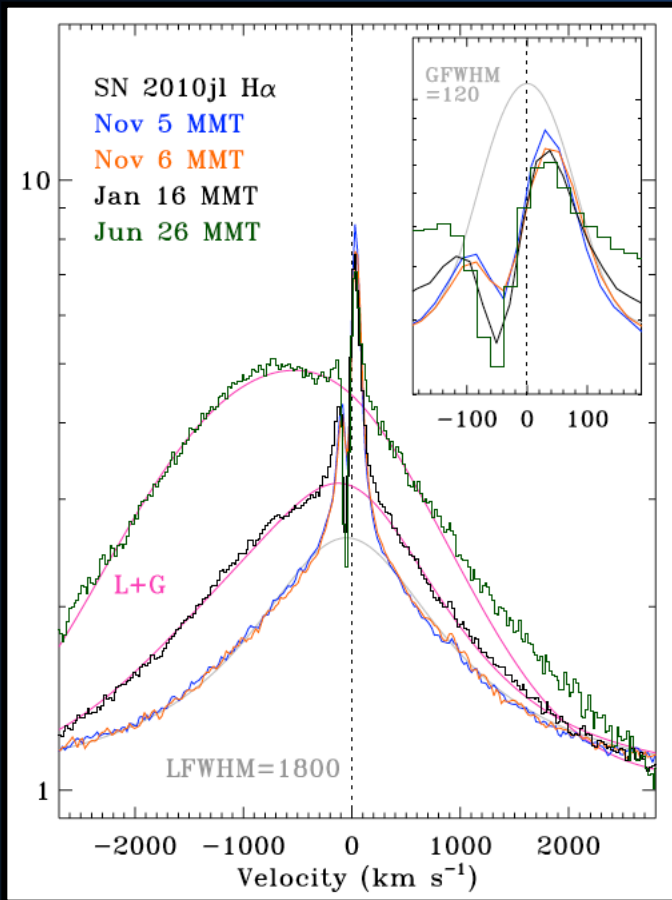


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CSM Interaction



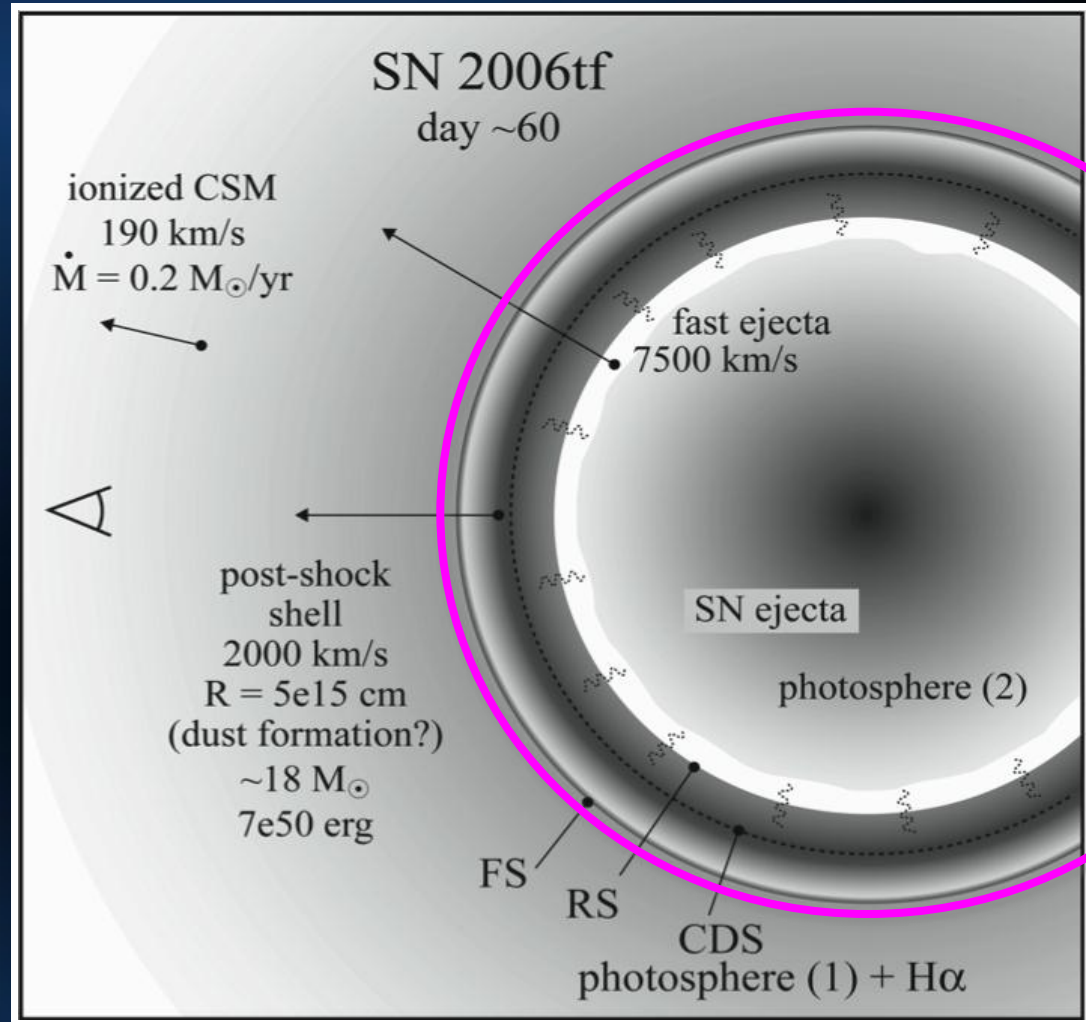
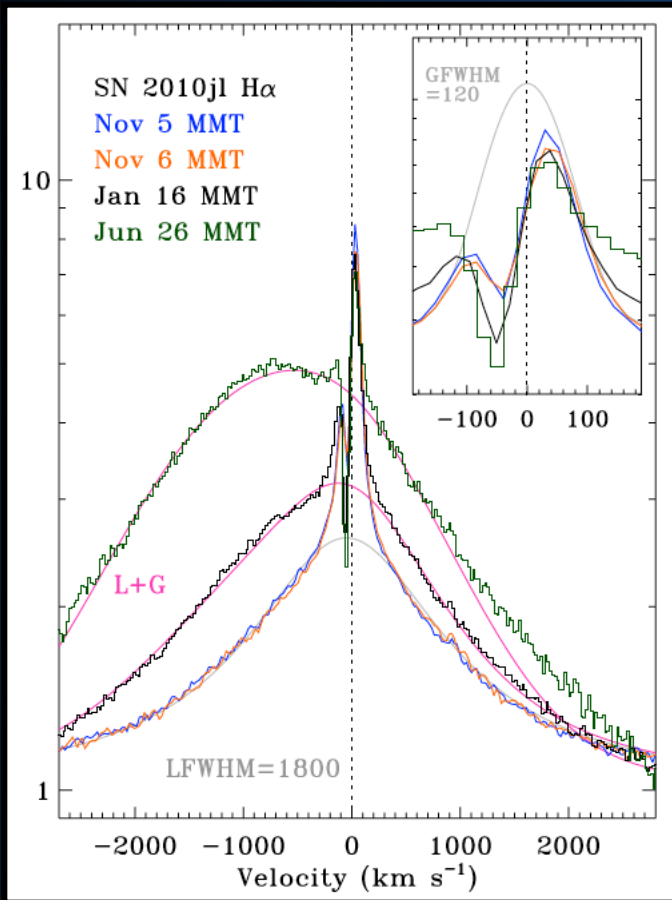
$$L = \frac{1}{2} w V_{SN}^3 = \frac{1}{2} M \frac{V_{SN}^3}{V_w}$$

Efficient conversion of KE \Rightarrow Light

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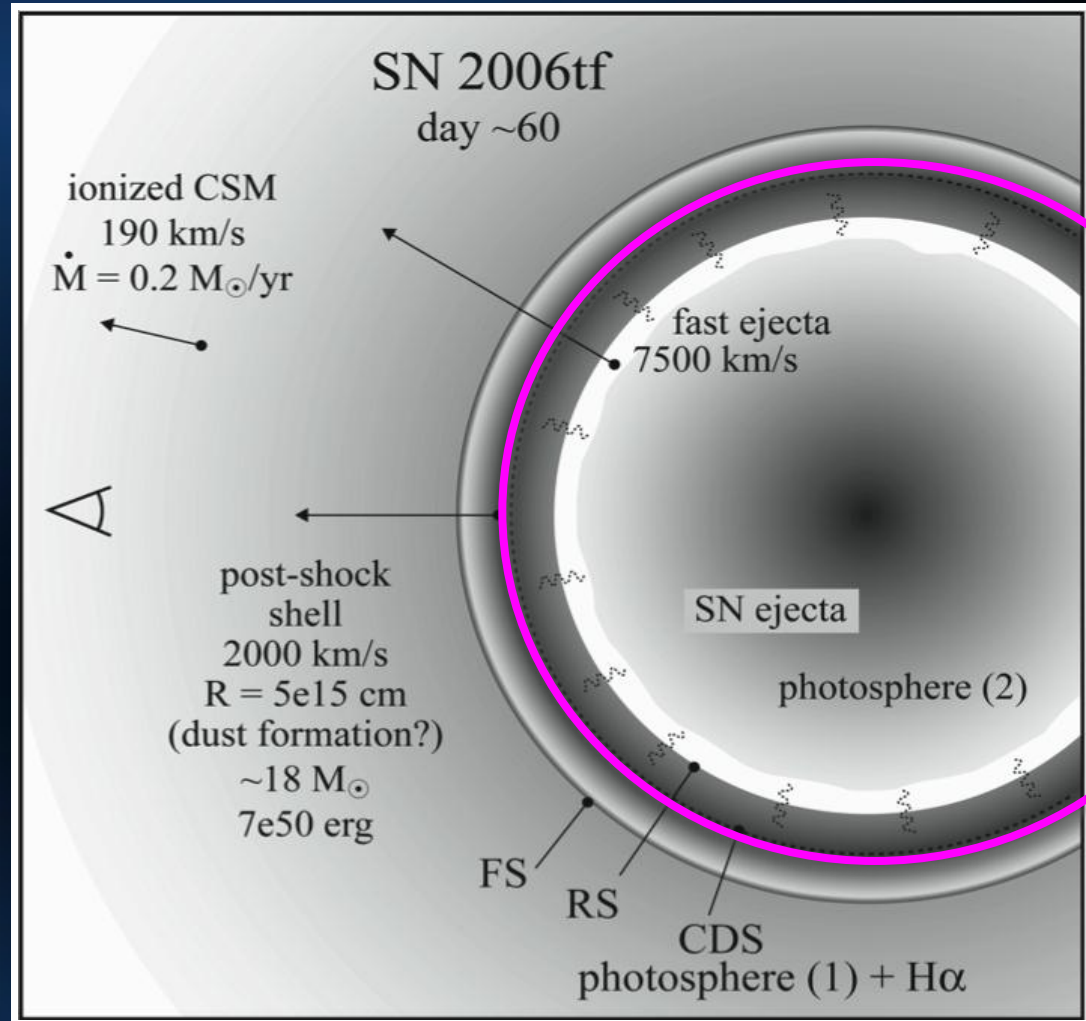
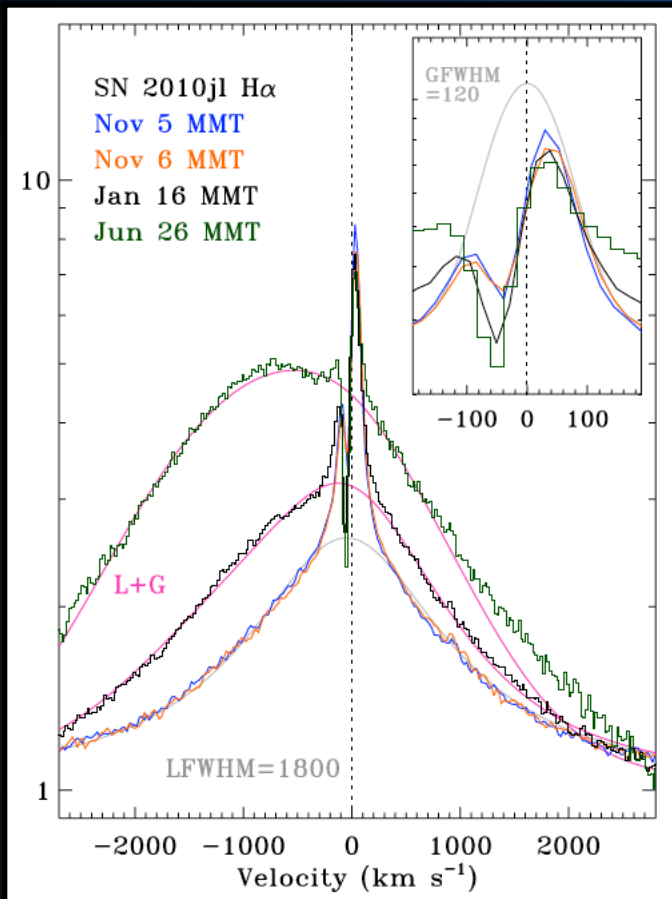


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Later = into CDS and beyond

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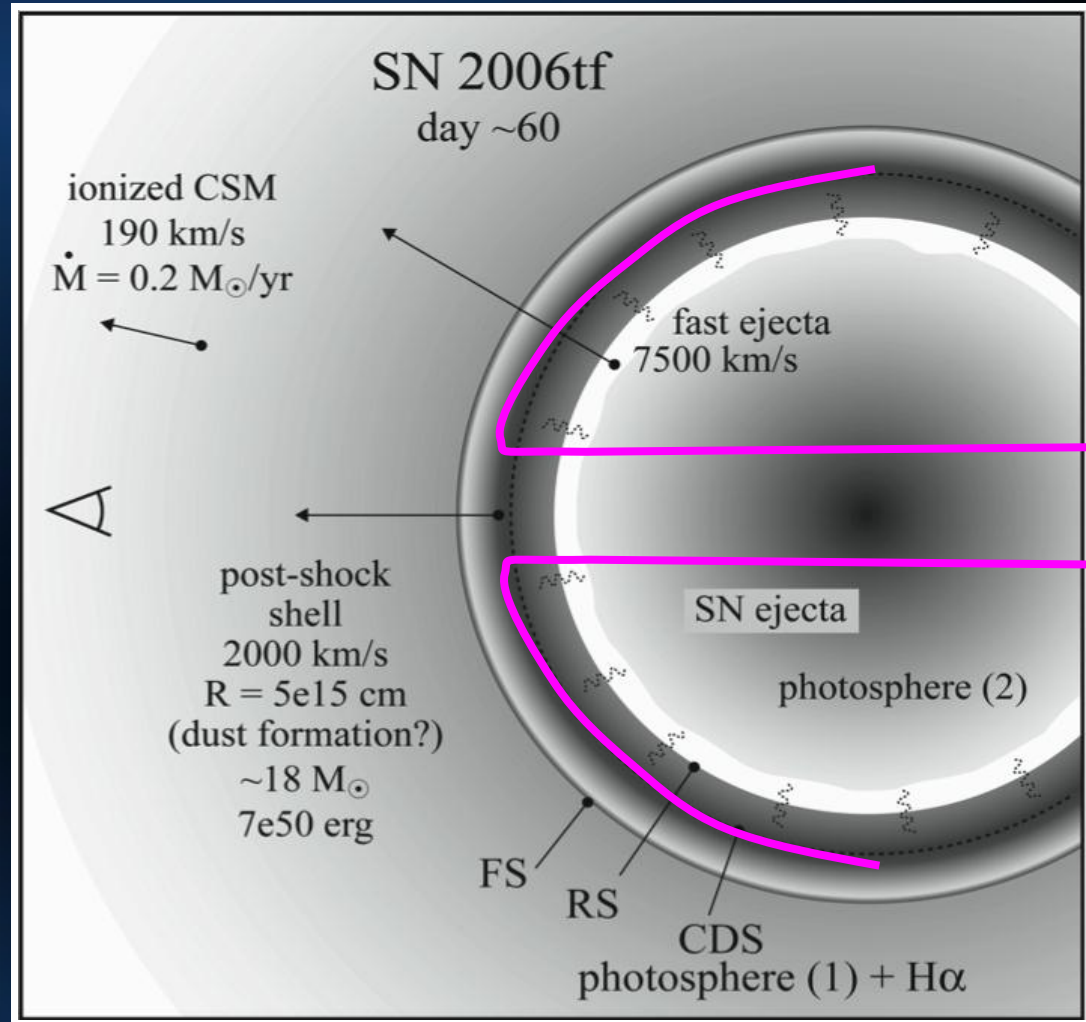
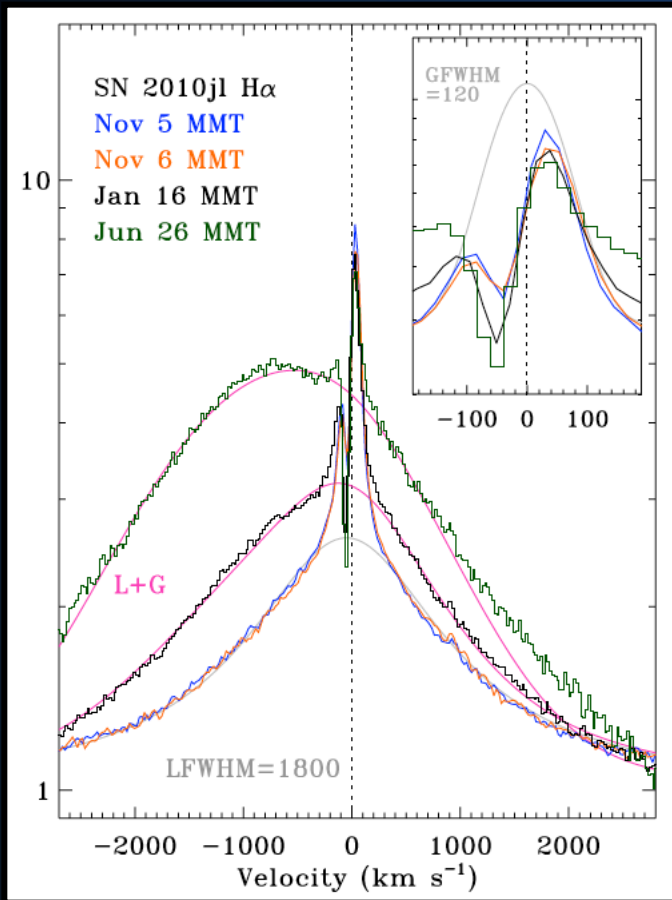


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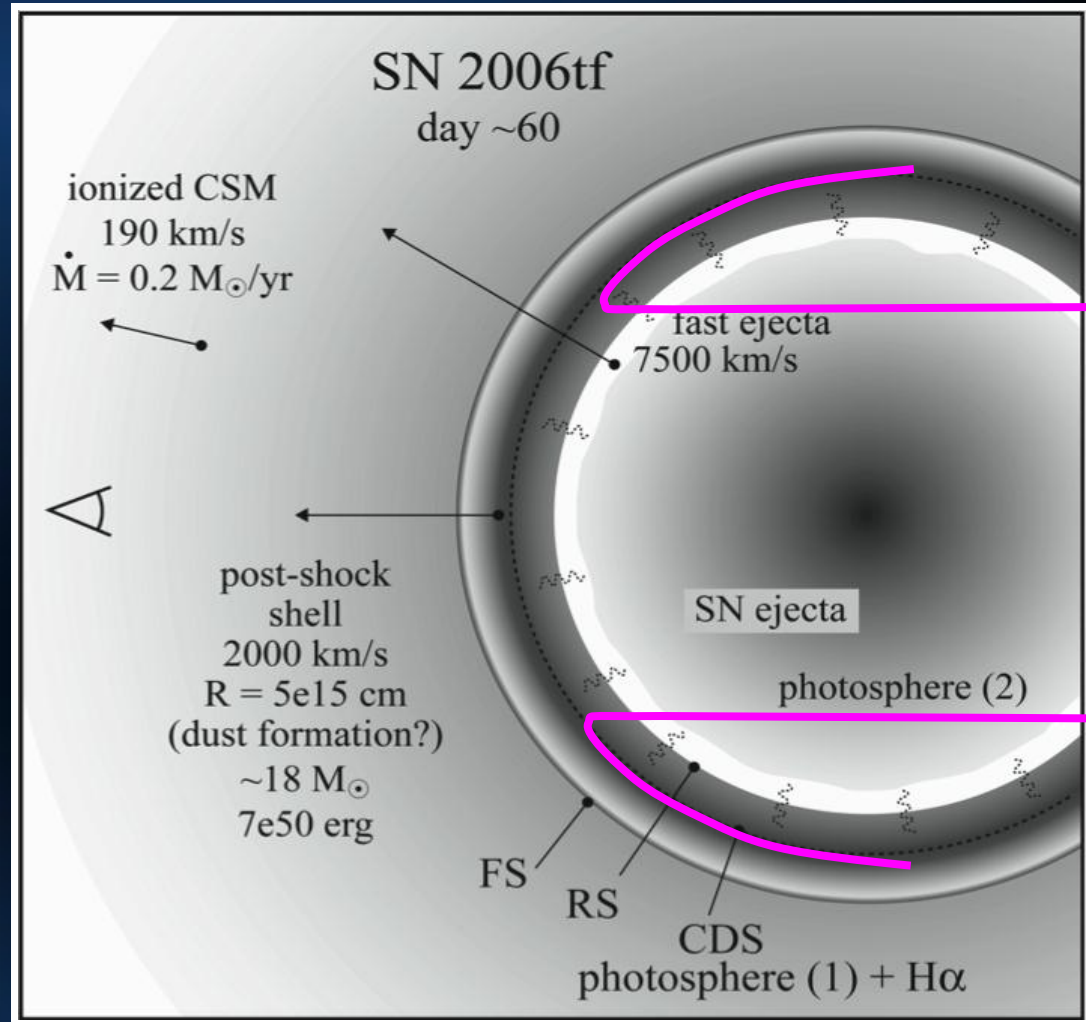
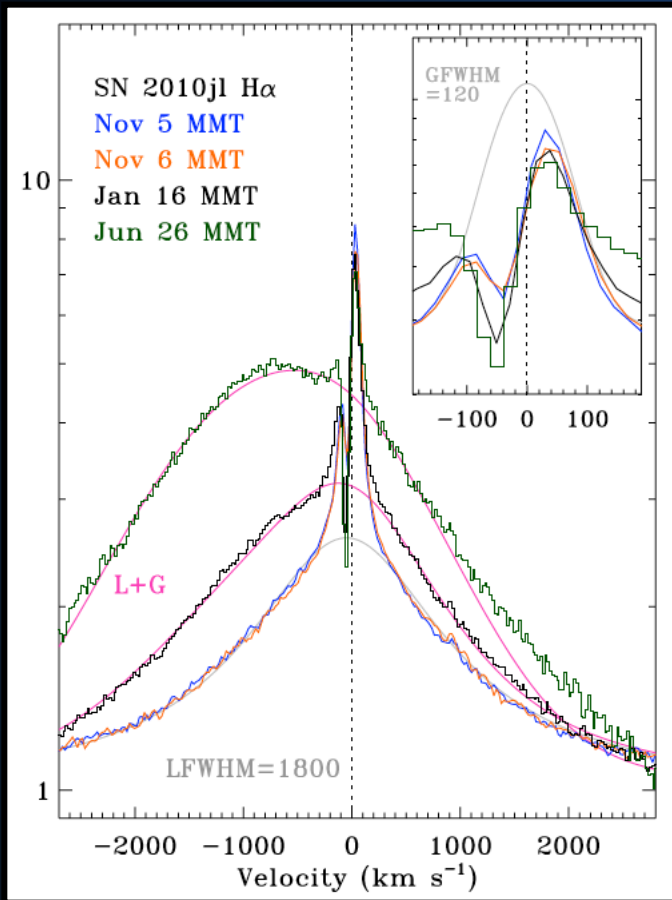


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DIFFUSION AT HIGH OPTICAL DEPTH

Weak H-alpha
X-rays thermalized

Falk & Arnett (73,77) – hypothetical
Smith & McCray (07) – 06gy
Smith et al. (10) – 06gy

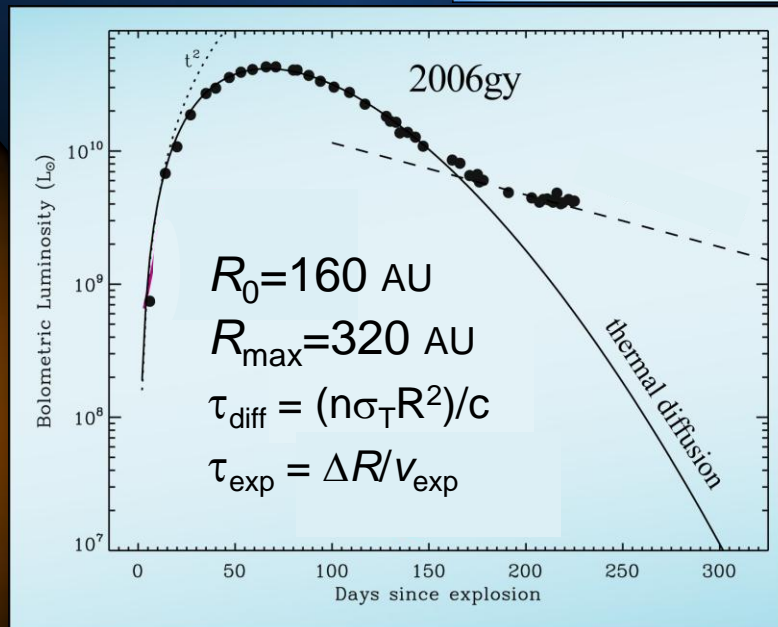
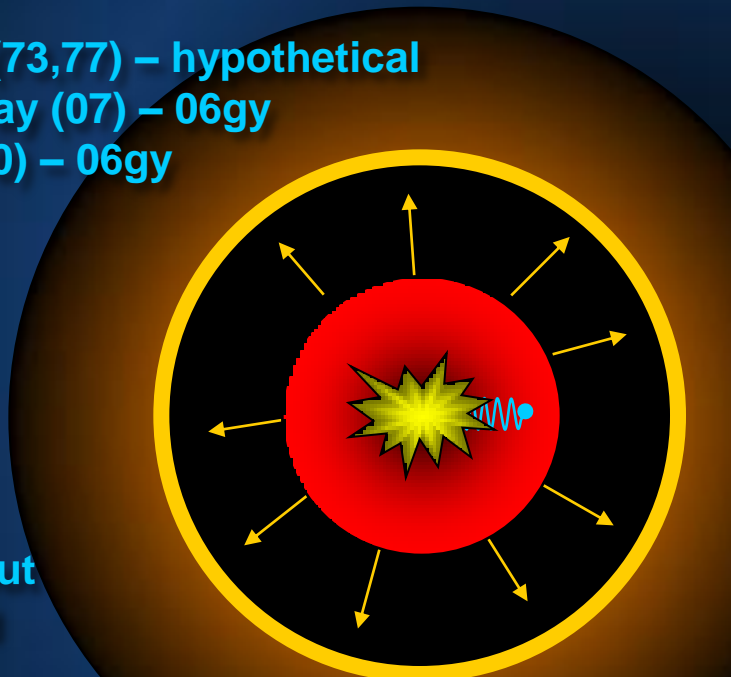
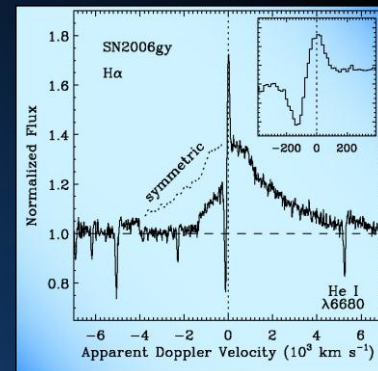
Shock Breakout
In Dense wind

Chevalier & Irwin (11)
Ofek et al. (10)
Moriya et al. (10,12)
Chatzopoulos et al. (12)
Ginzburg & Balberg (12)

Efficient conversion of KE \Rightarrow Light

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Subsequent CSM interaction at lower level \rightarrow Ha



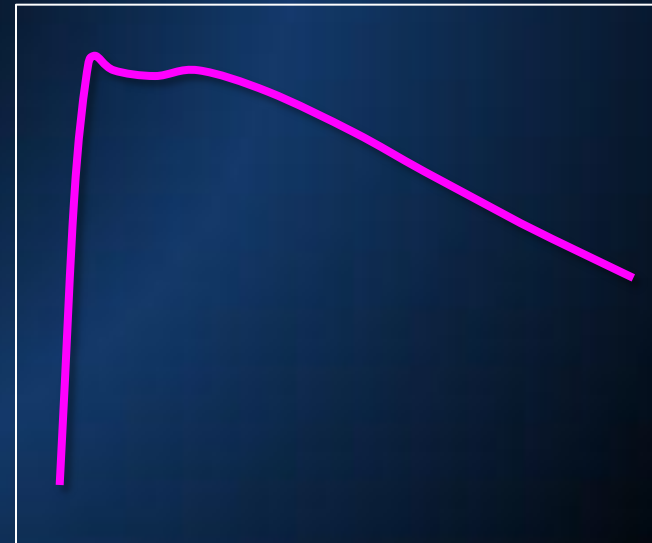
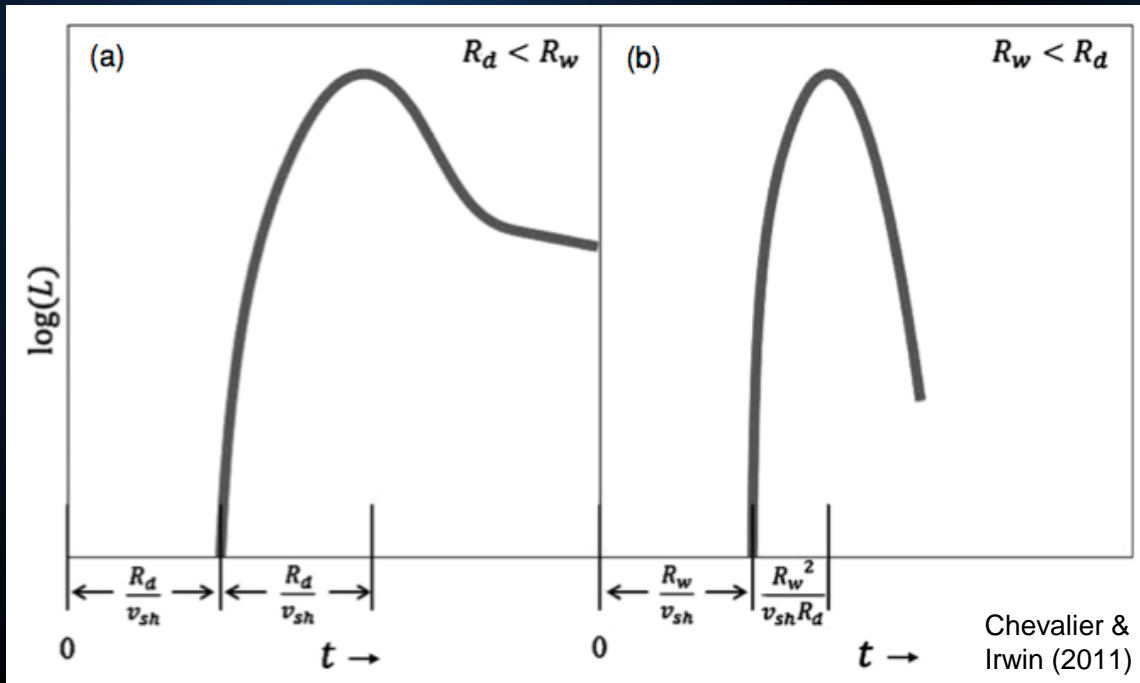
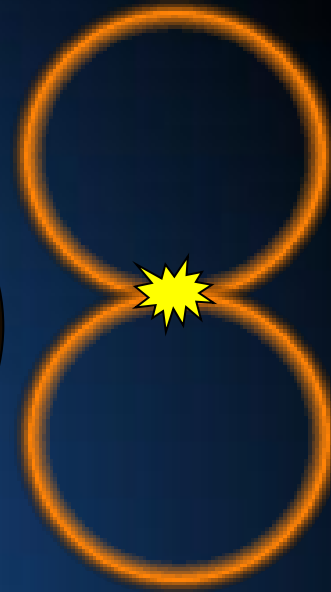
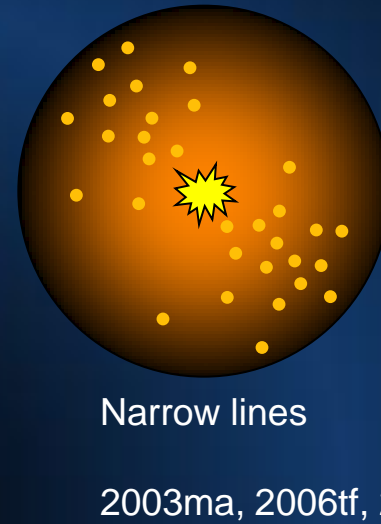
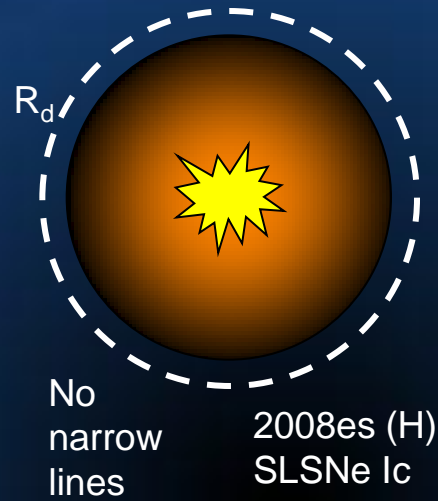
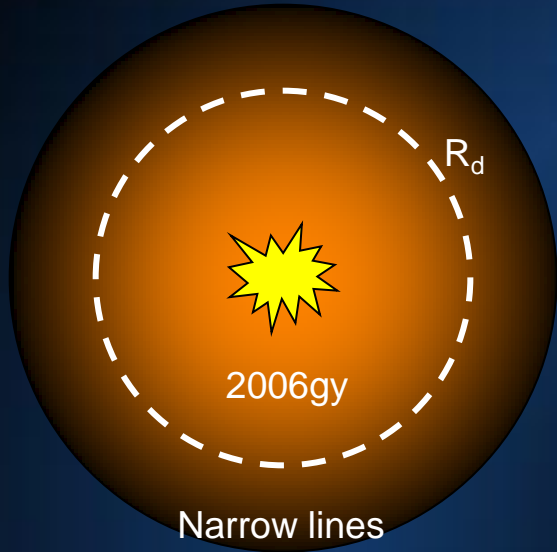
$\tau_{diff} = \tau_{exp} = 70$ days (see Falk & Arnett 1973)

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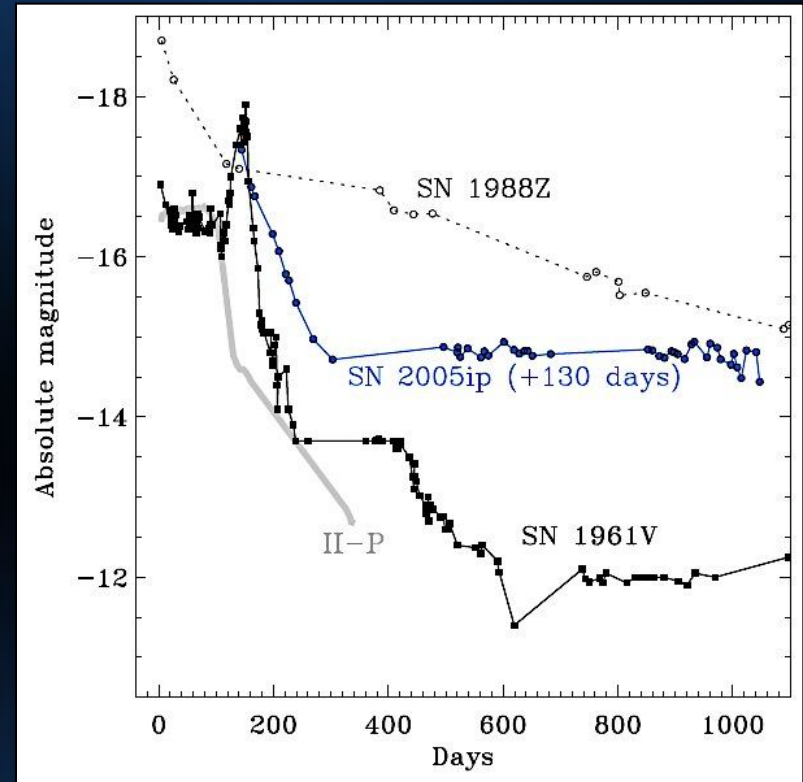
CSM INTERACTION



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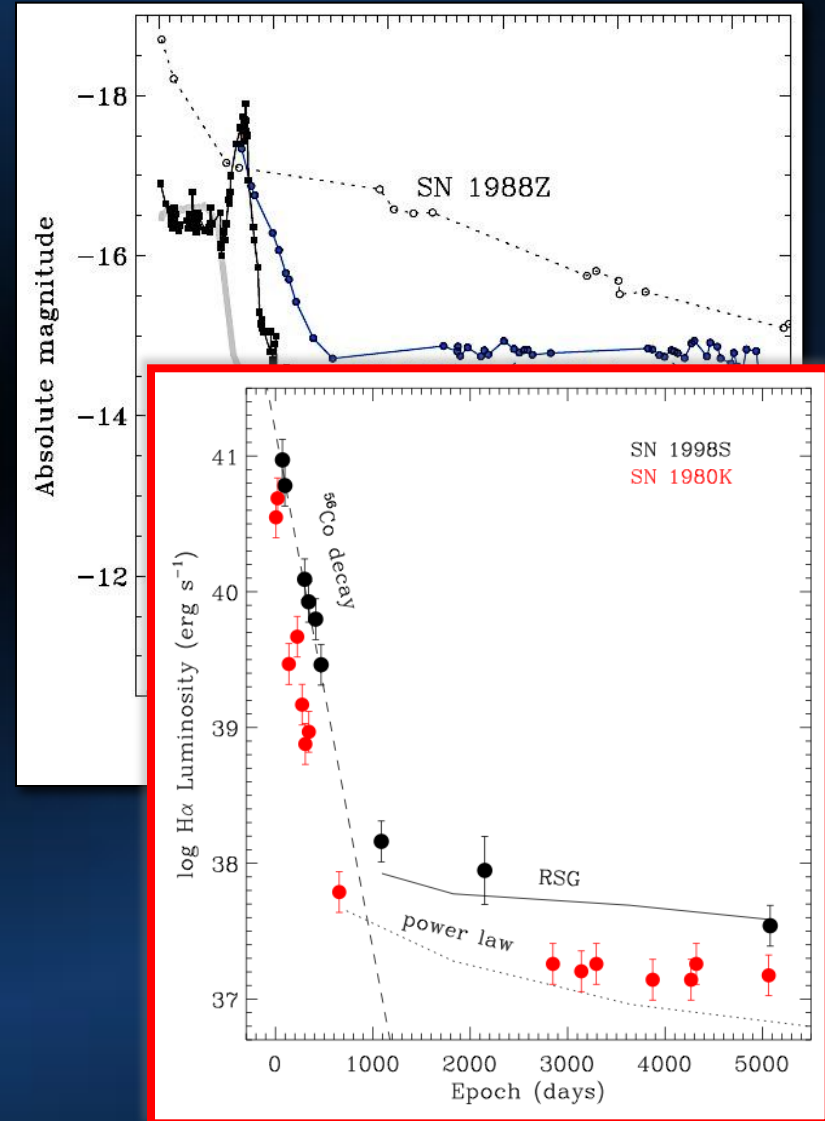
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SUMMARY/QUESTIONS

- Diversity of SNe IIn can be understood with range of CSM mass and geometry.

Bright ones need $10\text{-}30 M_{\odot}$ in few years, decades, or centuries before core collapse. Must have sudden LBV-like precursor eruptions.

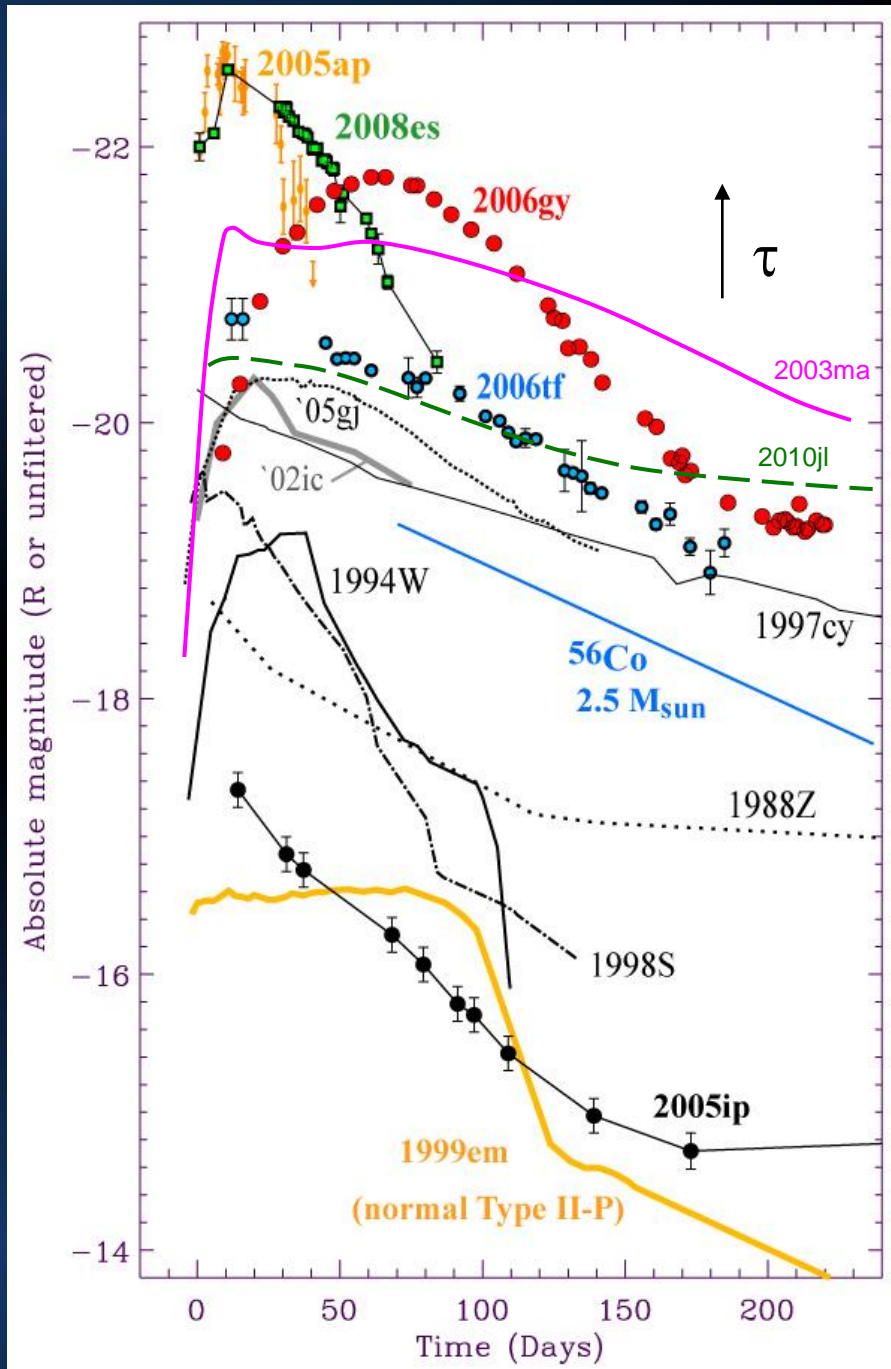
Fainter SNe IIn can be extreme RSG winds for ~ 1000 yr before core-collapse.

- Seems like $M > 30 M_{\odot}$ do indeed explode.

- What the hell is making these stars explode before they explode?

Need mechanism working over few years, decades, centuries, or even 1000 yr.

- Are they all core collapse?
- What are the progenitor stars (really)?



PROGENITORS

SN 1961V

SN 1961V was probably a real core-collapse Type II_n.

Peak L was 40x brighter than Eta Car's eruption, and brighter than any other SN impostor, but in-line with other SNe II_n (Smith et al. 2011).

V band: by 1970 it was 4 mag fainter than progenitor. Today it is at least 5.5 mag fainter.

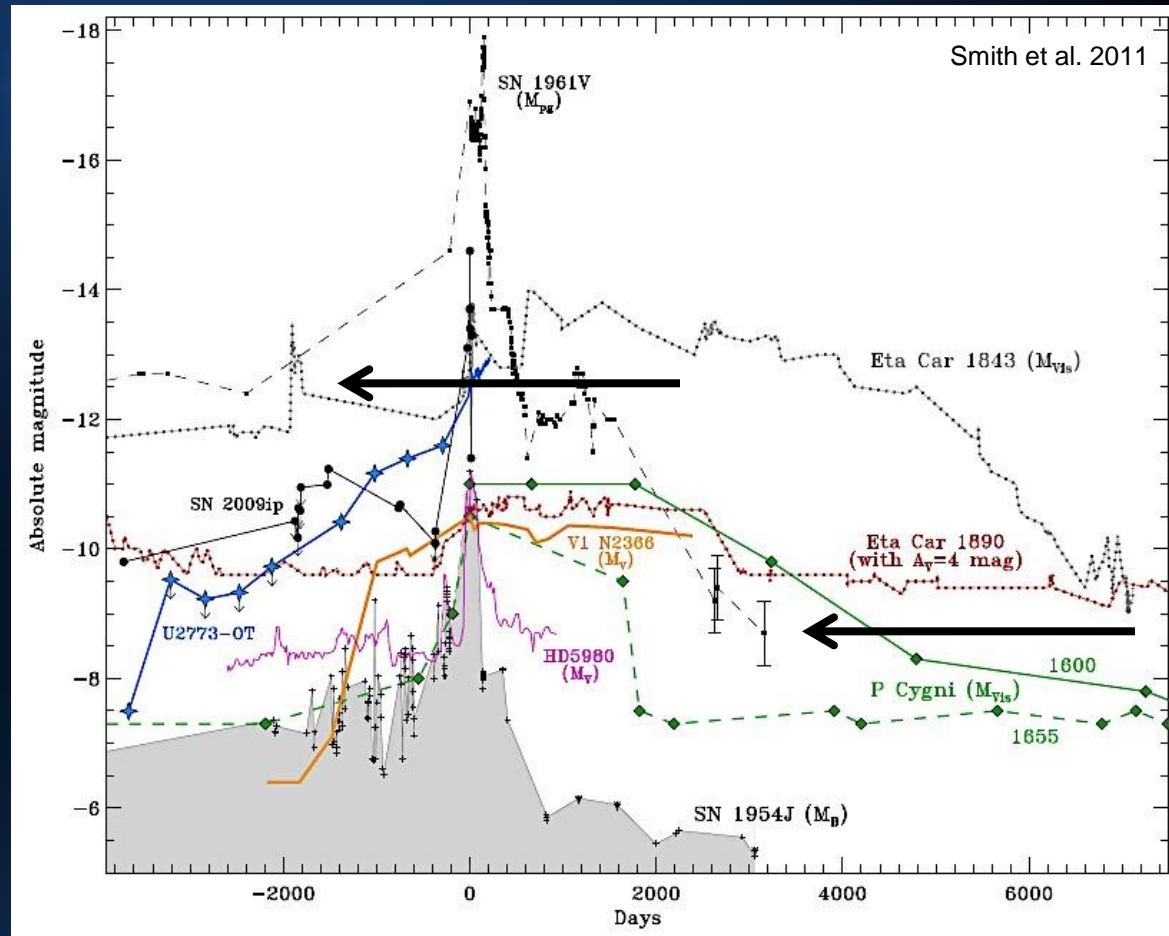
Spitzer upper limits to any present-day IR source suggest that the LBV star did not survive (Kochanek et al. 2011)

See however, Van Dyk & Matheson 2011.

If SN 1961V was a core collapse, then we have:

- a clear detection of the very massive ($\sim 100 M_{\odot}$) LBV progenitor
- detection of a pre-SN eruption, and
- subsequent disappearance of the luminous source.

Present-day H-alpha source might be ongoing CSM interaction



Faded by 4 mag by +10 yrs

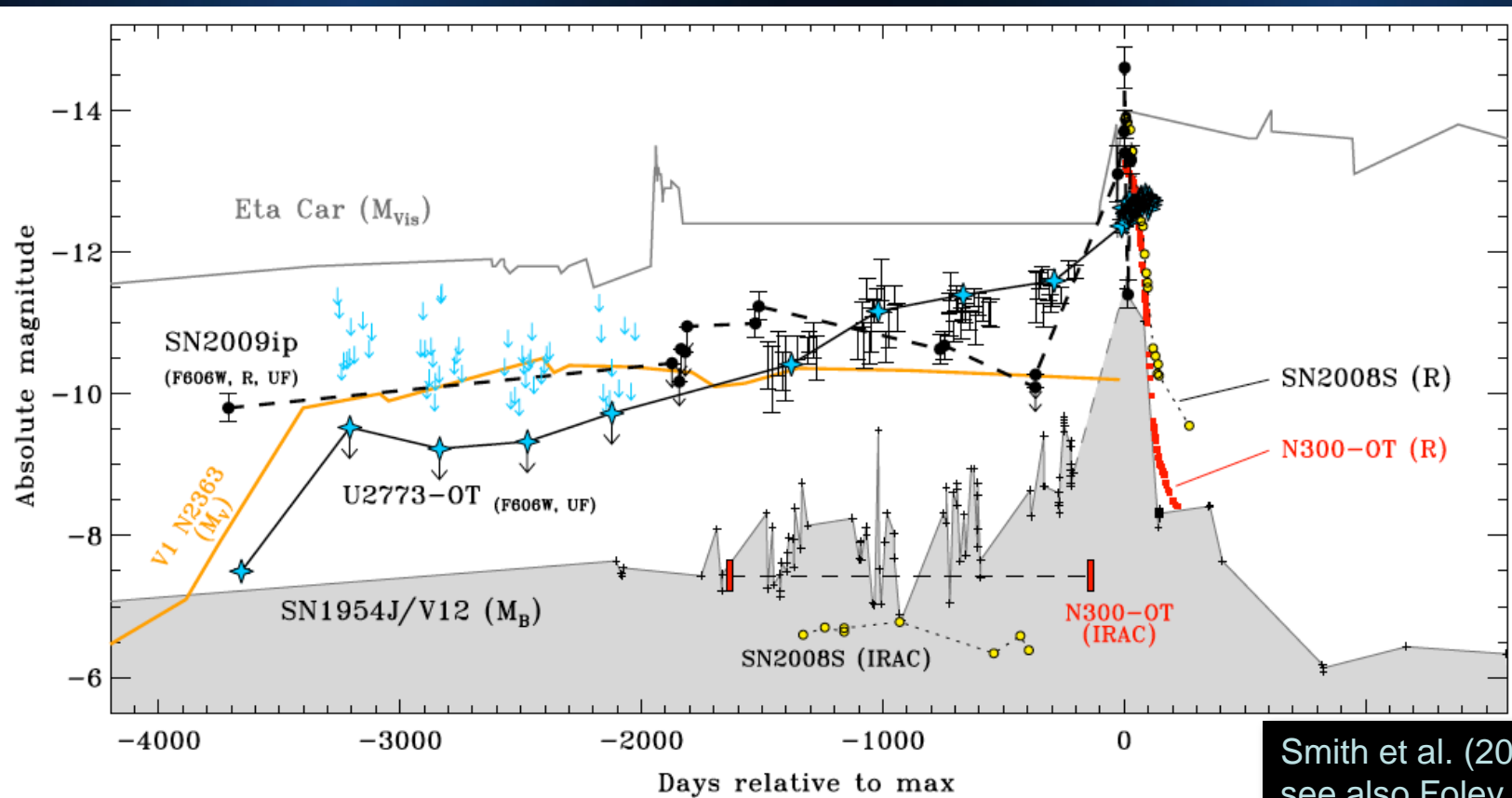
Now 5.5 mag fainter than progenitor

PROGENITORS

SN 2009ip

Luminous, [blue], variable progenitor star (S Dor-like eruption and brief blue eruptions lasting a few weeks)

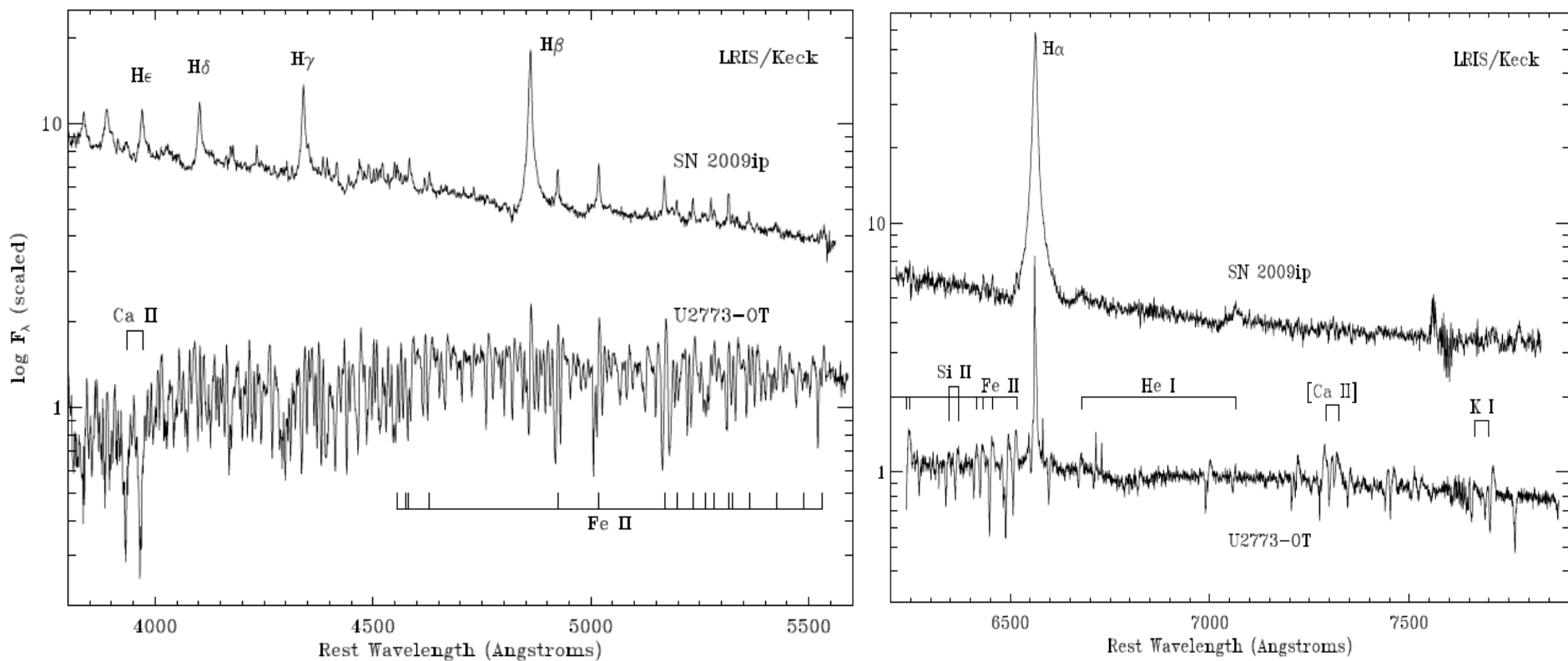
Quiescent HST progenitor implies $M_{ZAMS} = 50-80 M_{\odot}$



Smith et al. (2010)
see also Foley et al. (2011)

SN 2009ip and optical transient in UGC 2773: spectral diversity

Smith et al. (2010, AJ, 139, 1451)



SN2009ip: looks like “Hot” LBV, Lorentzian profiles, weak P Cyg abs., weak He I lines

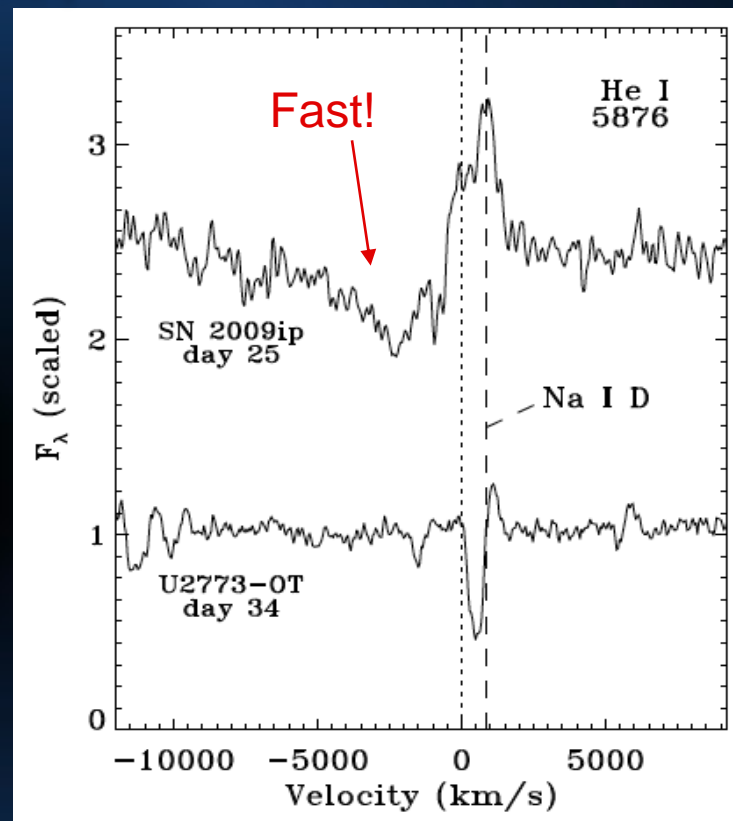
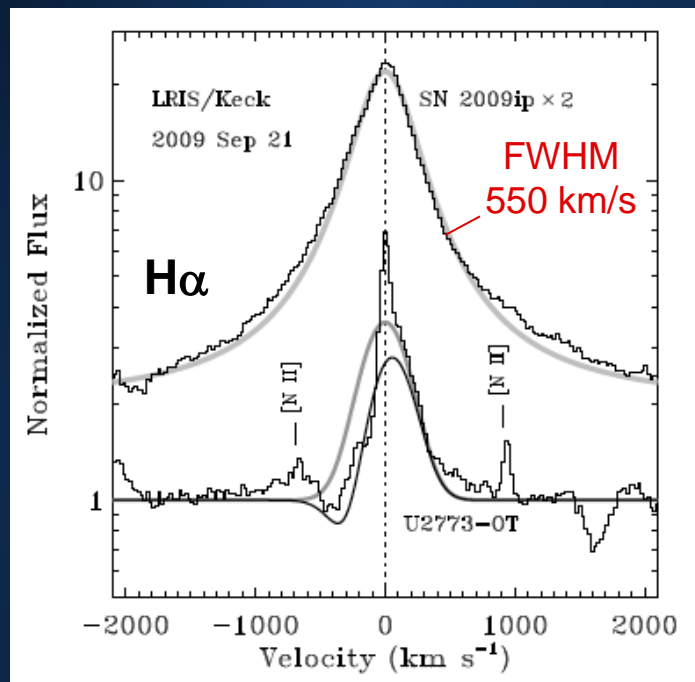
UGC 2773-OT: looks like “Cool” LBV, F-type supergiant, narrow absorption

Reminiscent of spectra of LBVs in hot/cool states (but not exactly the same).

SN 2009ip

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Smith et al. (2010, AJ, 139, 1451)



H α and most em. lines indicate modest outflow speeds for most of the mass:

SN2009ip: 550 km/s

UGC 2773-OT: 350 km/s

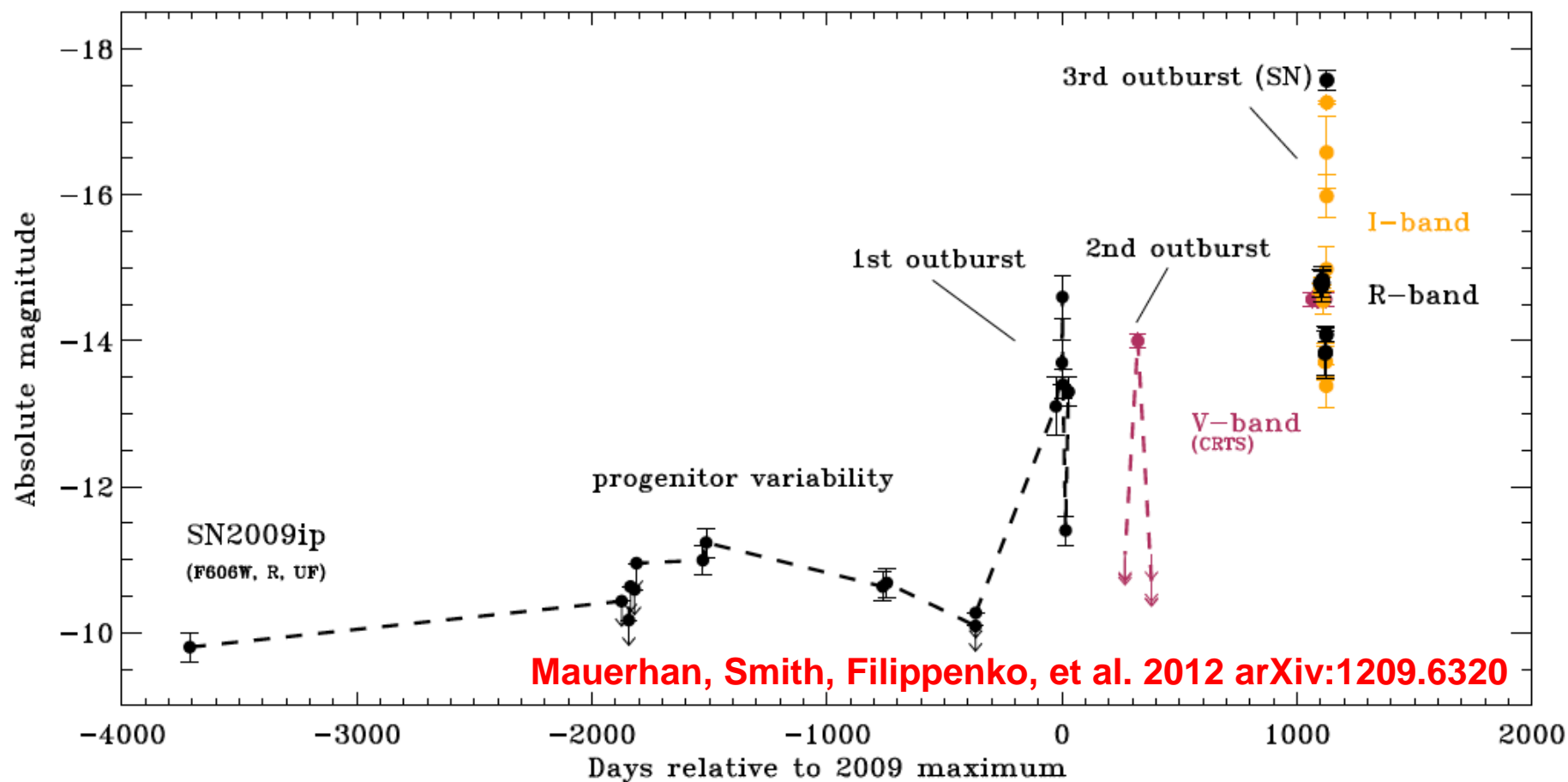
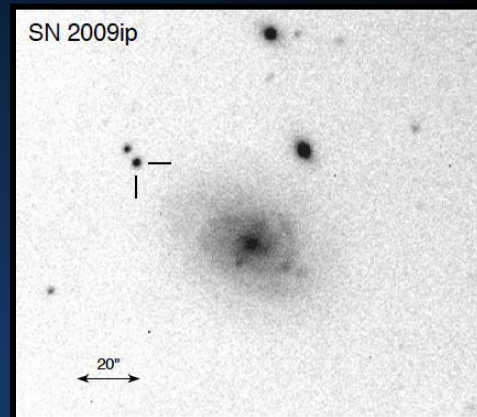
SN2009ip also shows evidence for some fast outflow speeds of 3,000-5,000 km/s like Eta Car (Smith 2008).

Very fast ejecta/shock wave...
Does CSM interaction make it hot?

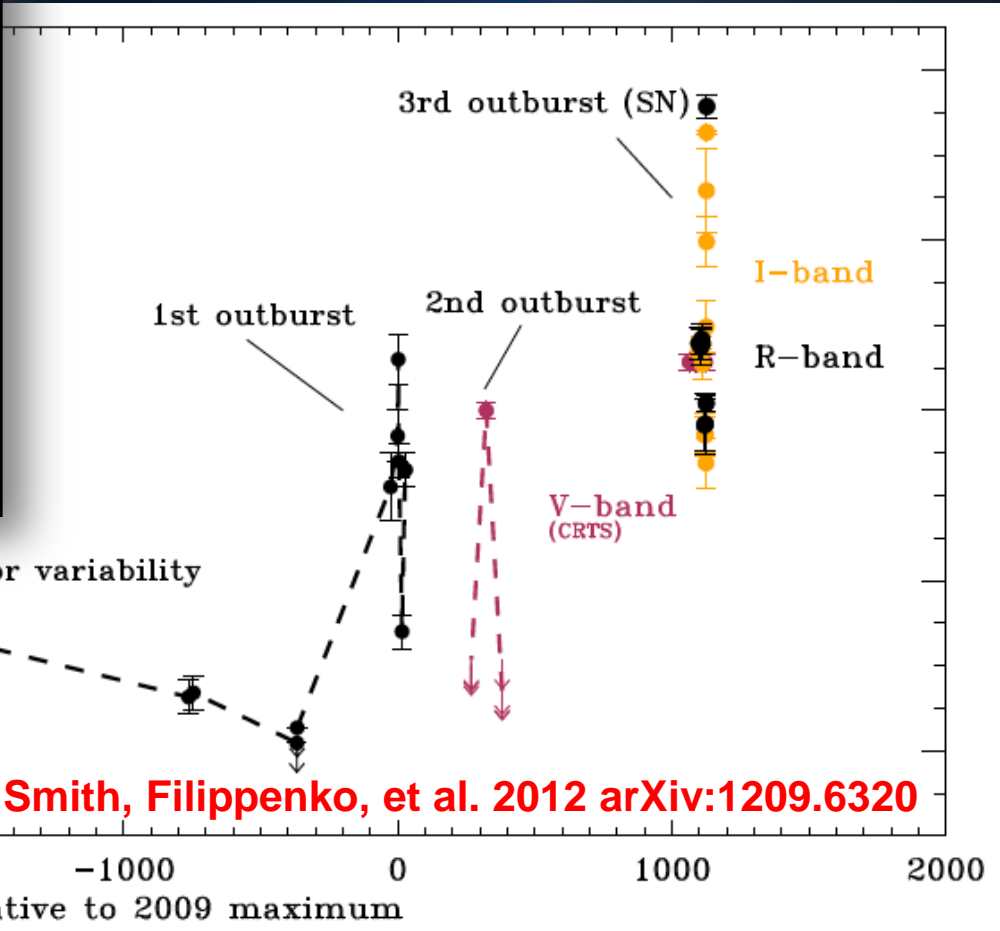
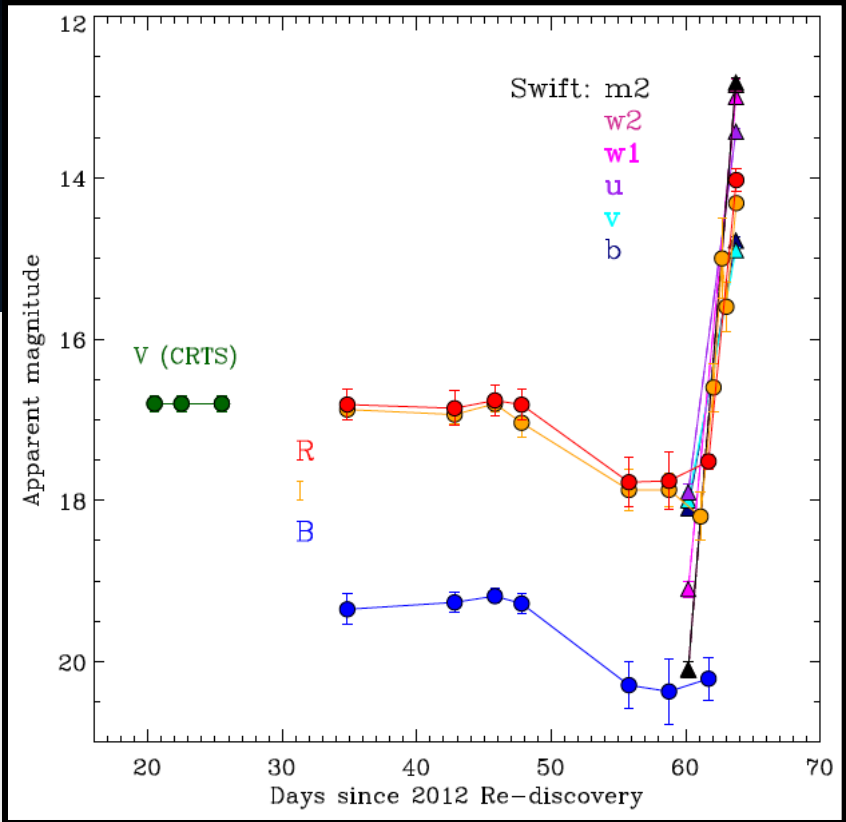
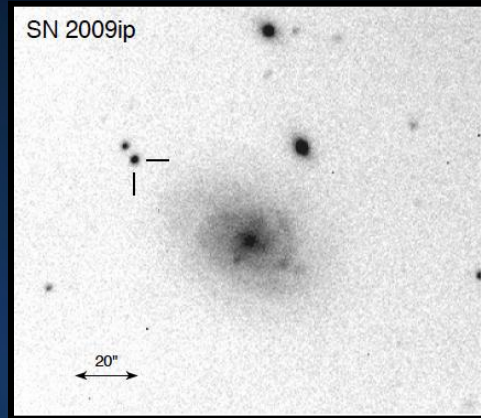
SN 2009ip

its 2012 demise

- First discovered In Aug 2009 (Maza et al. CBET 1928)
- Re-brightened in July 2010 (Drake et al. 2010, Atel 2897)
- Re-brightened in July 2012 (Drake et al. 2012, Atel 4334)

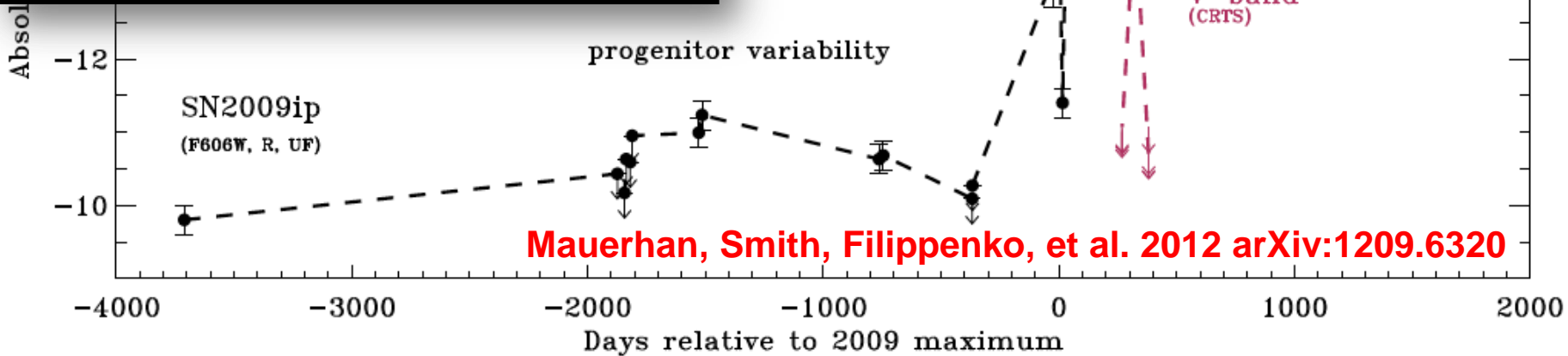
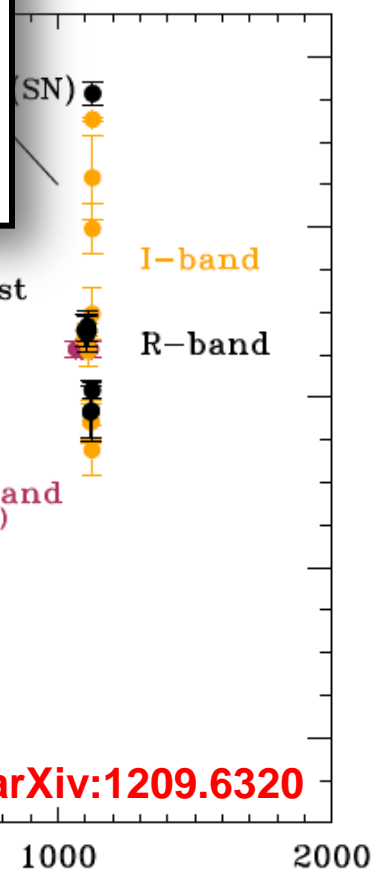
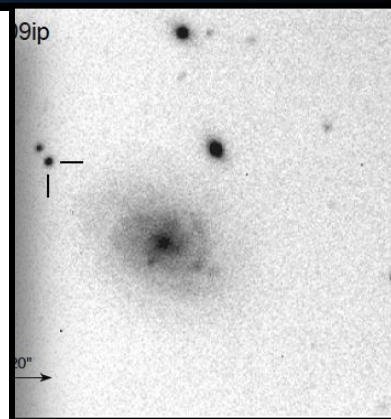
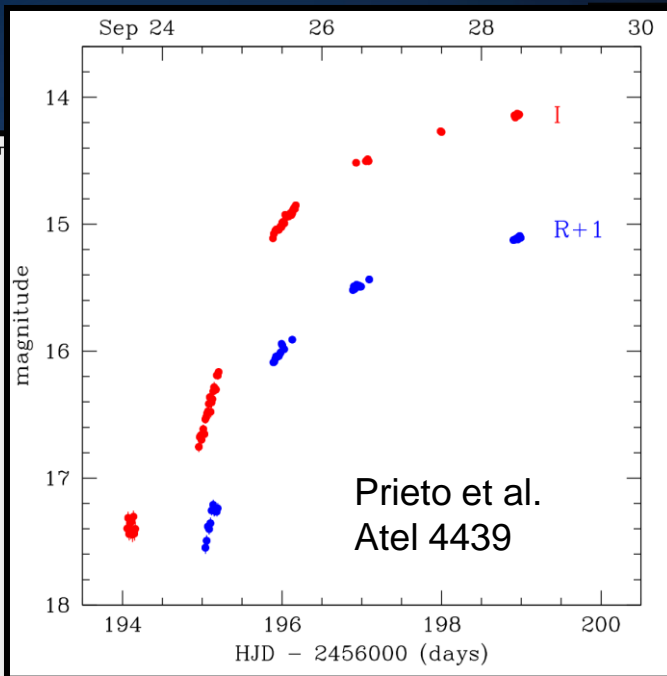
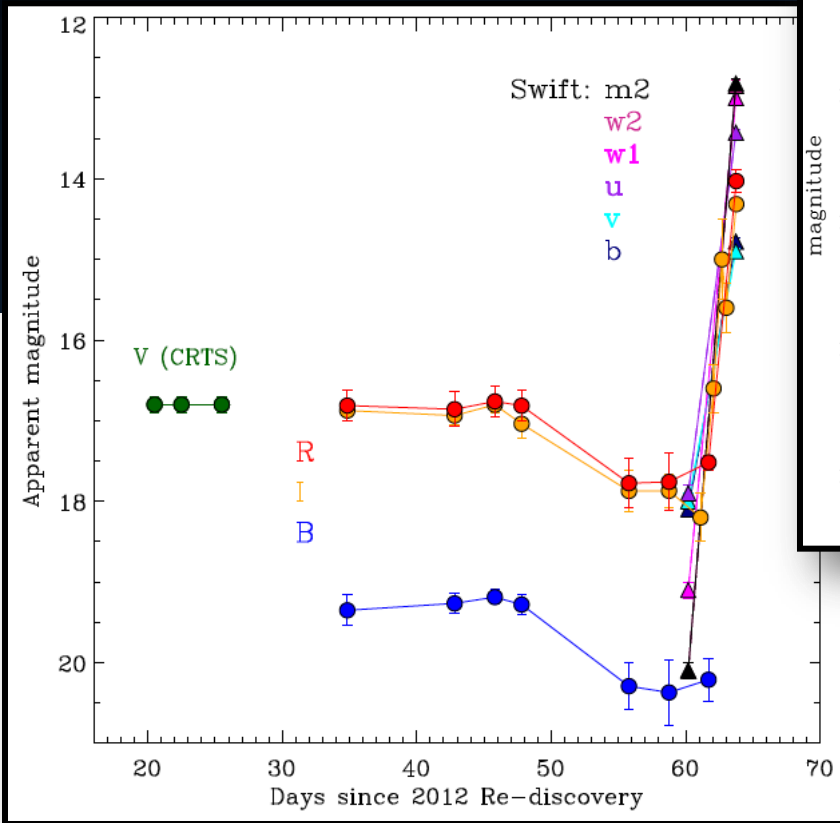


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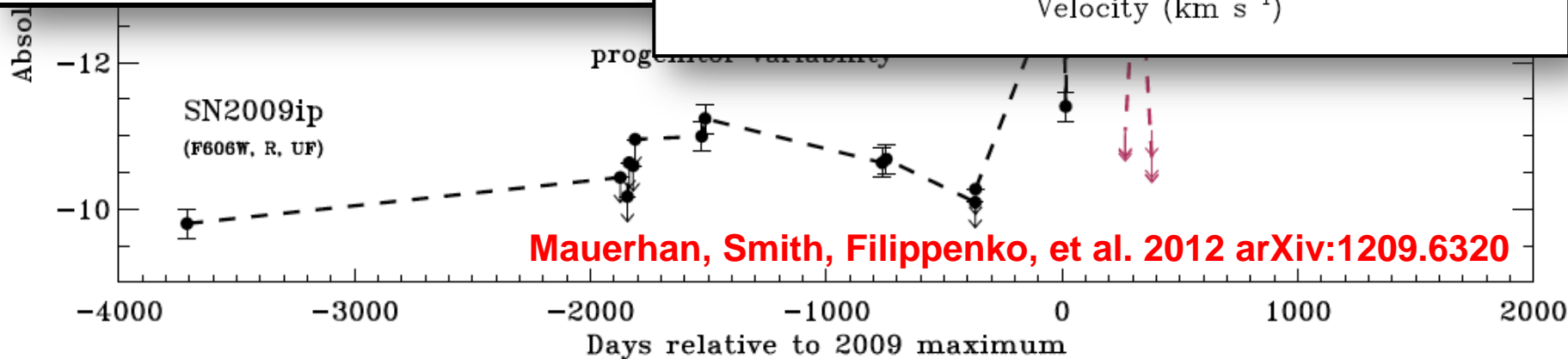
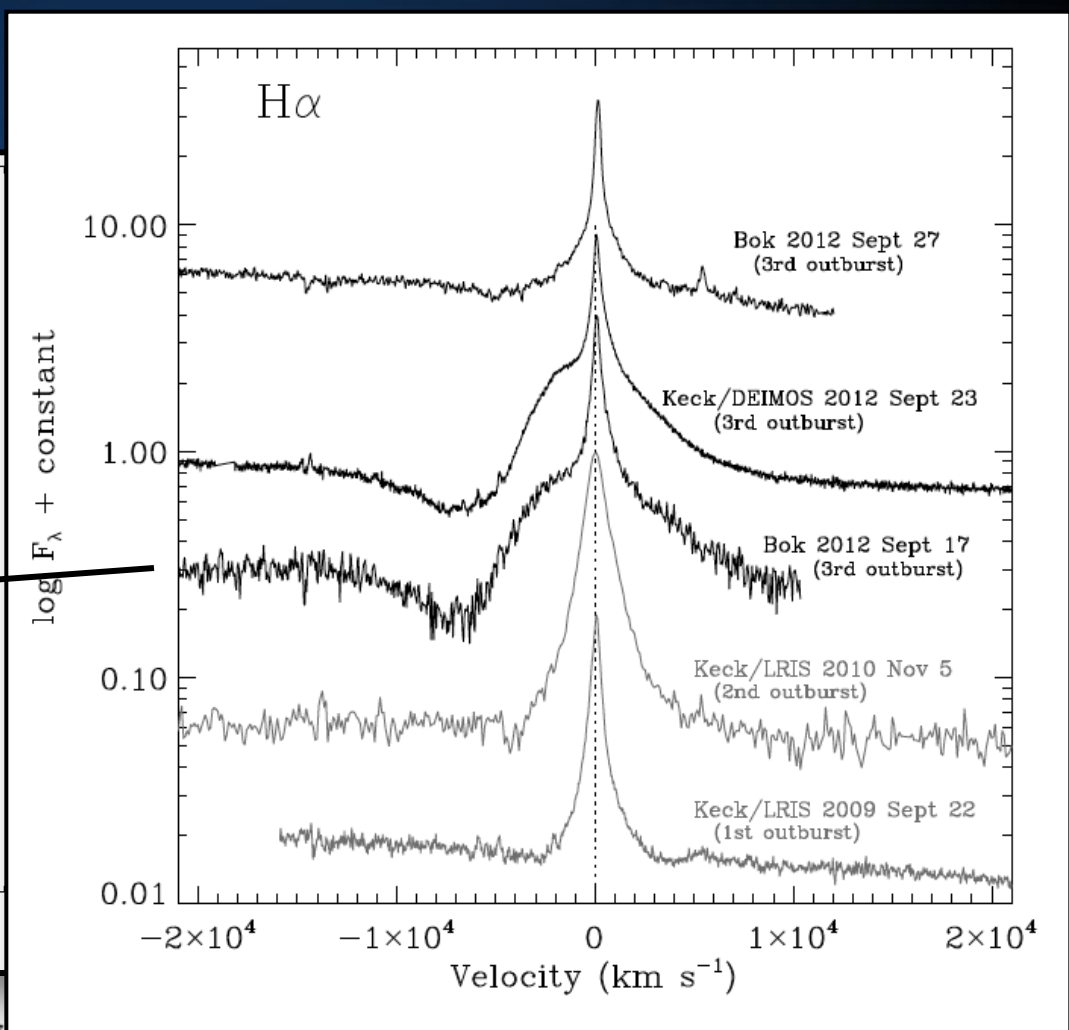
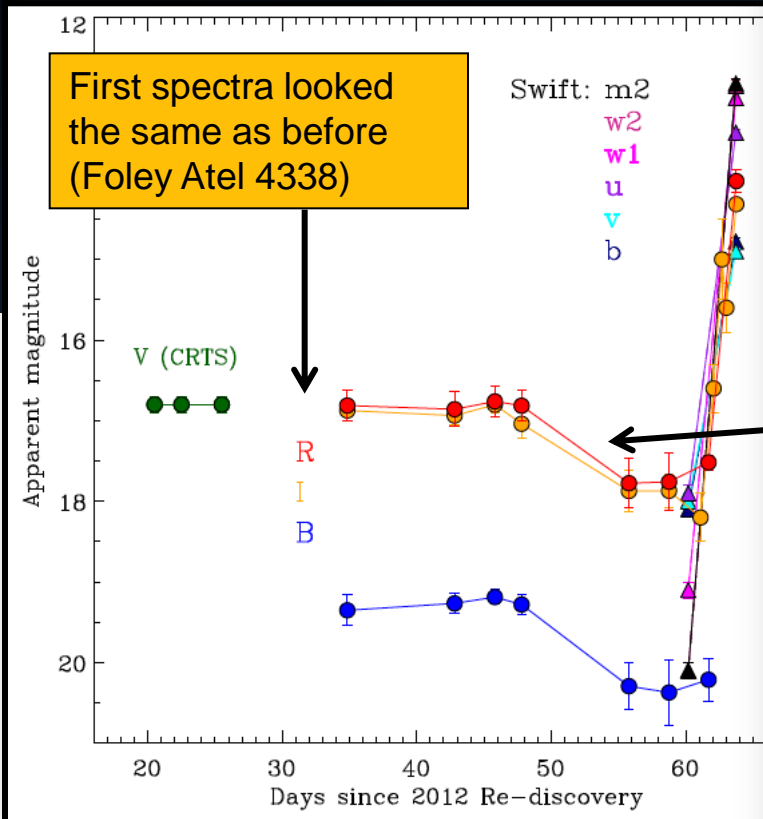


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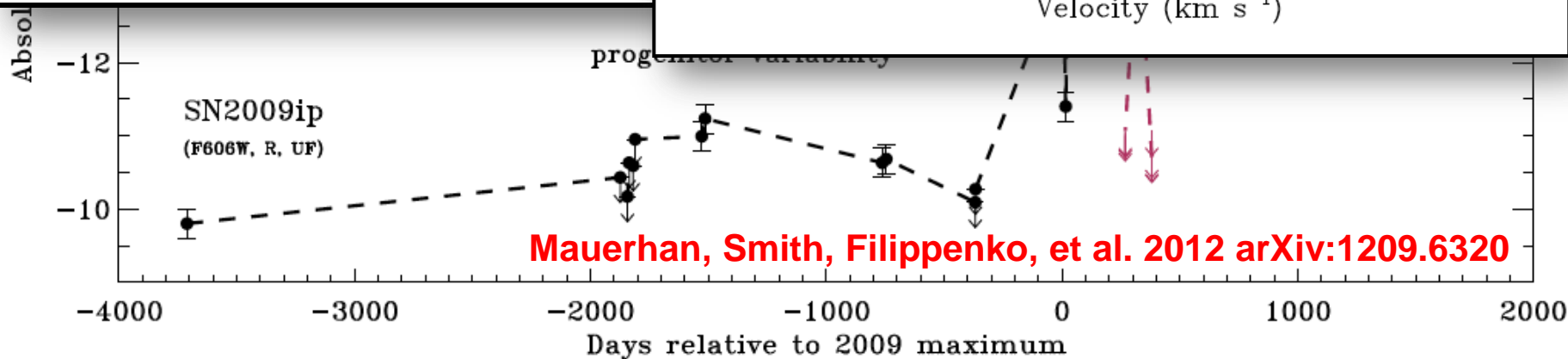
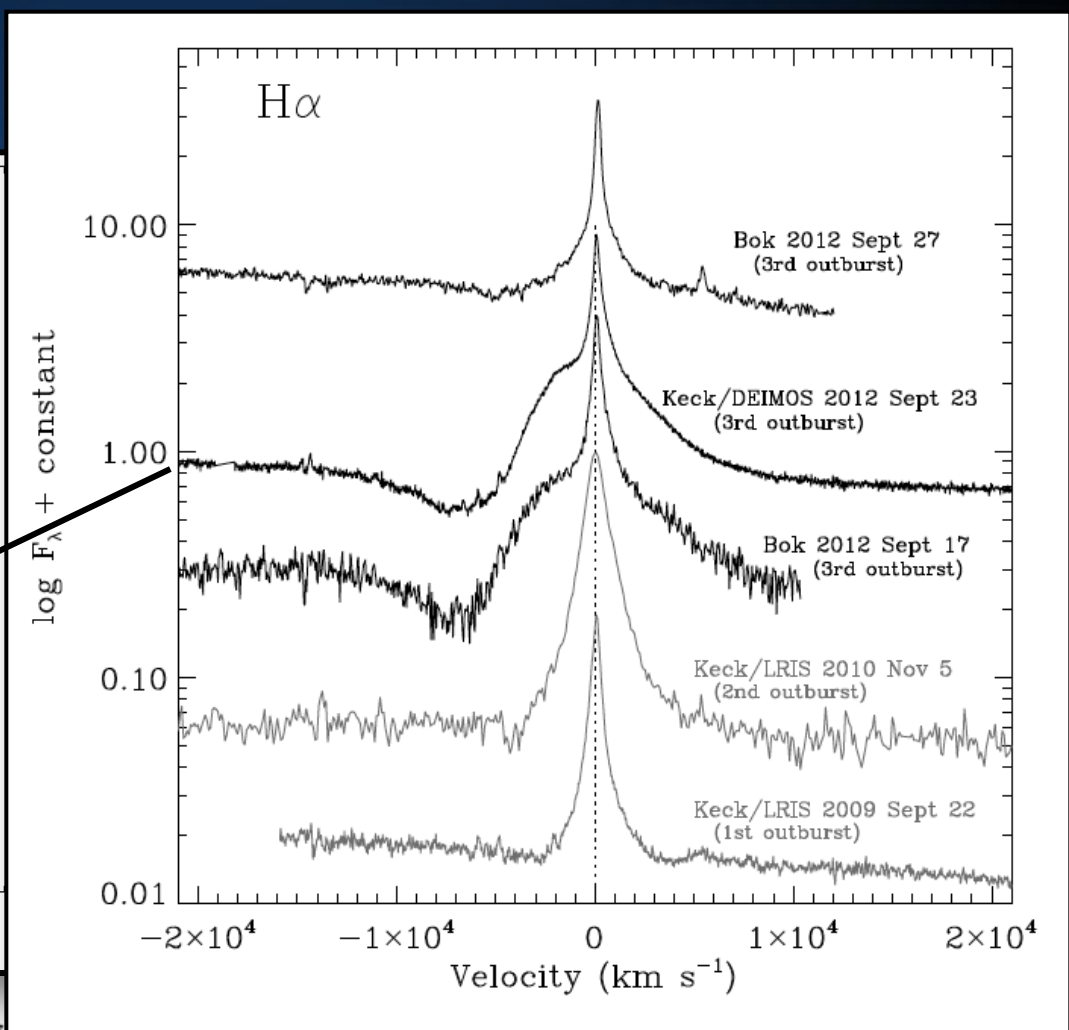
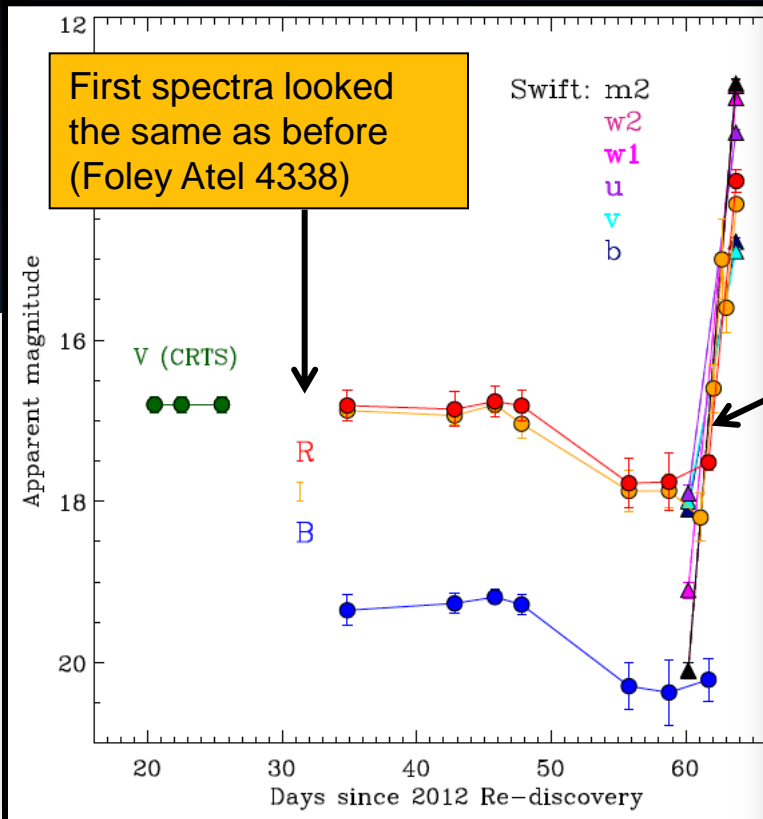
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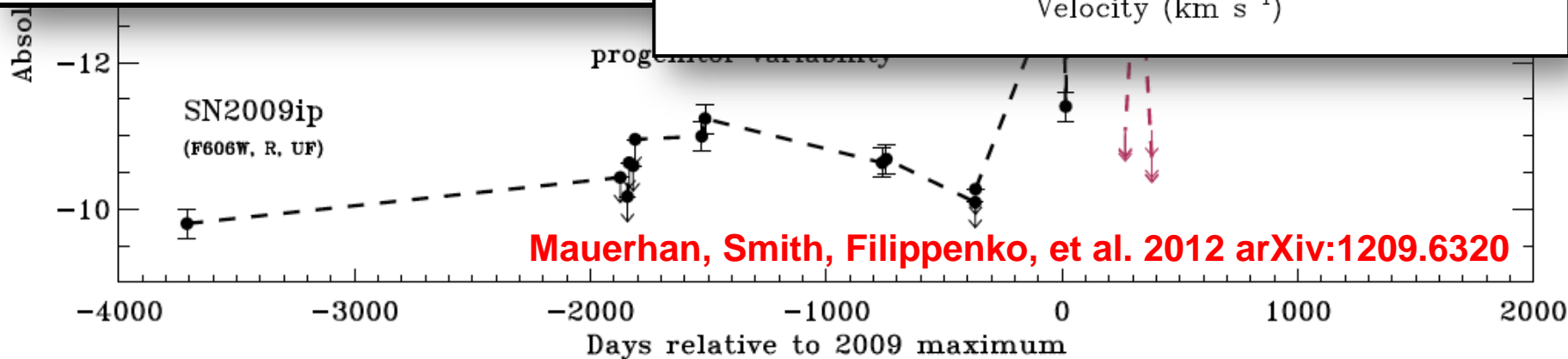
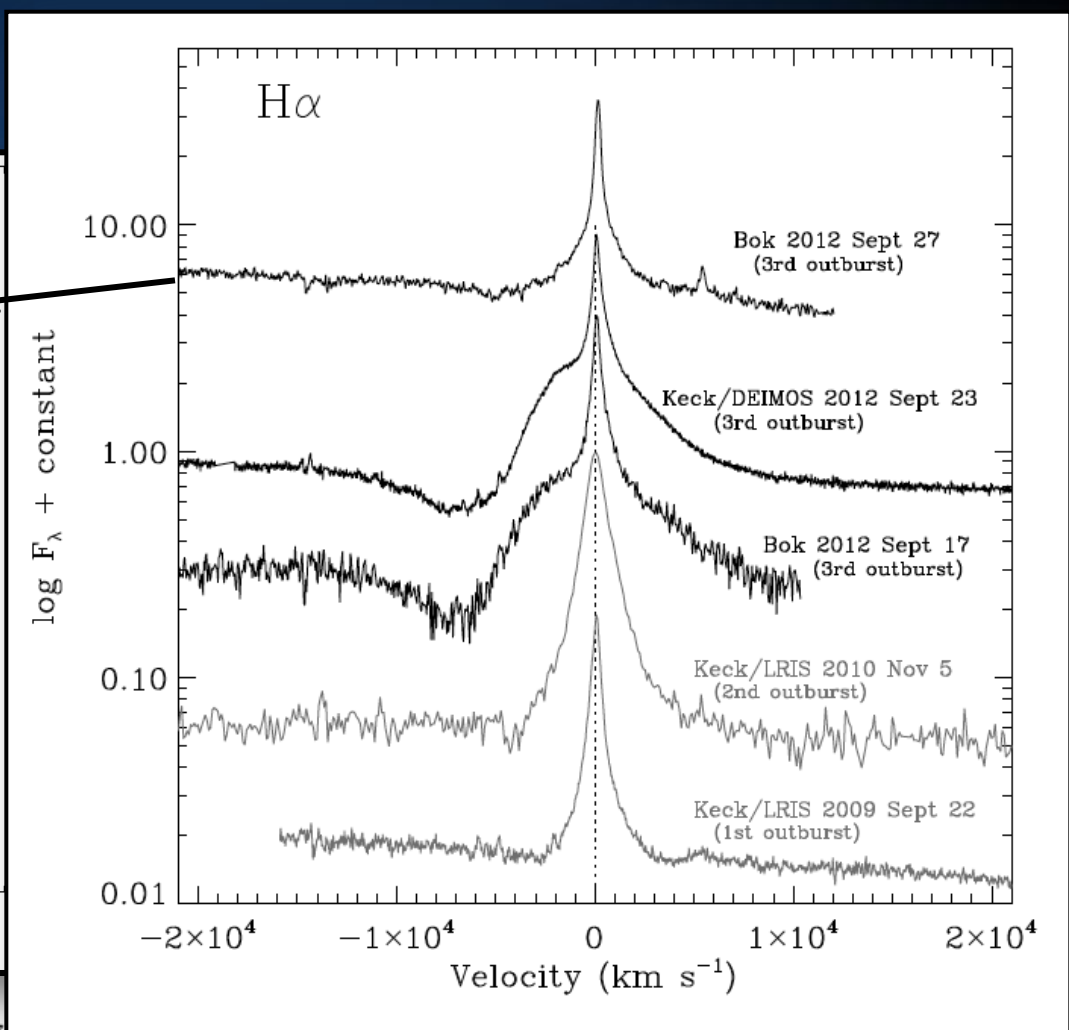
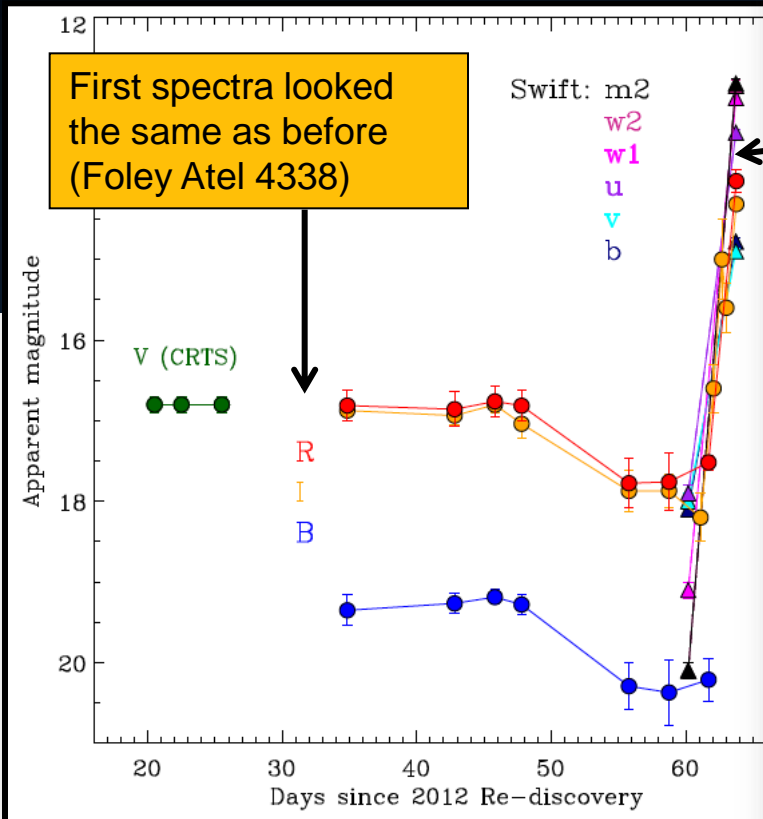
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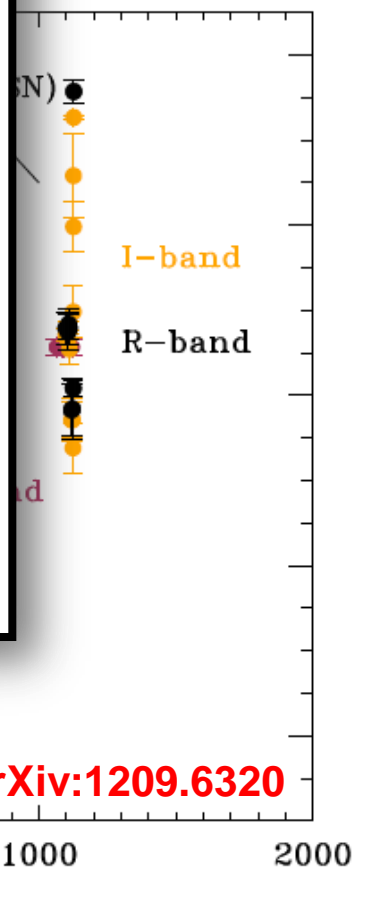
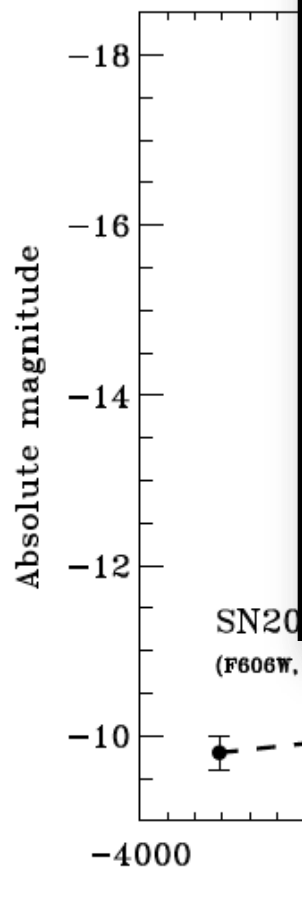
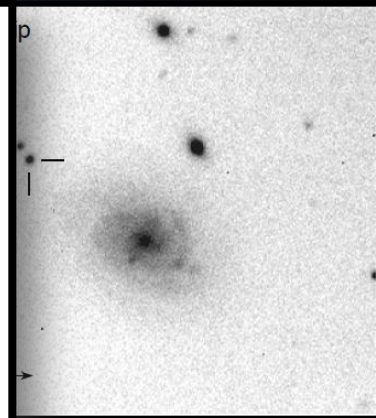
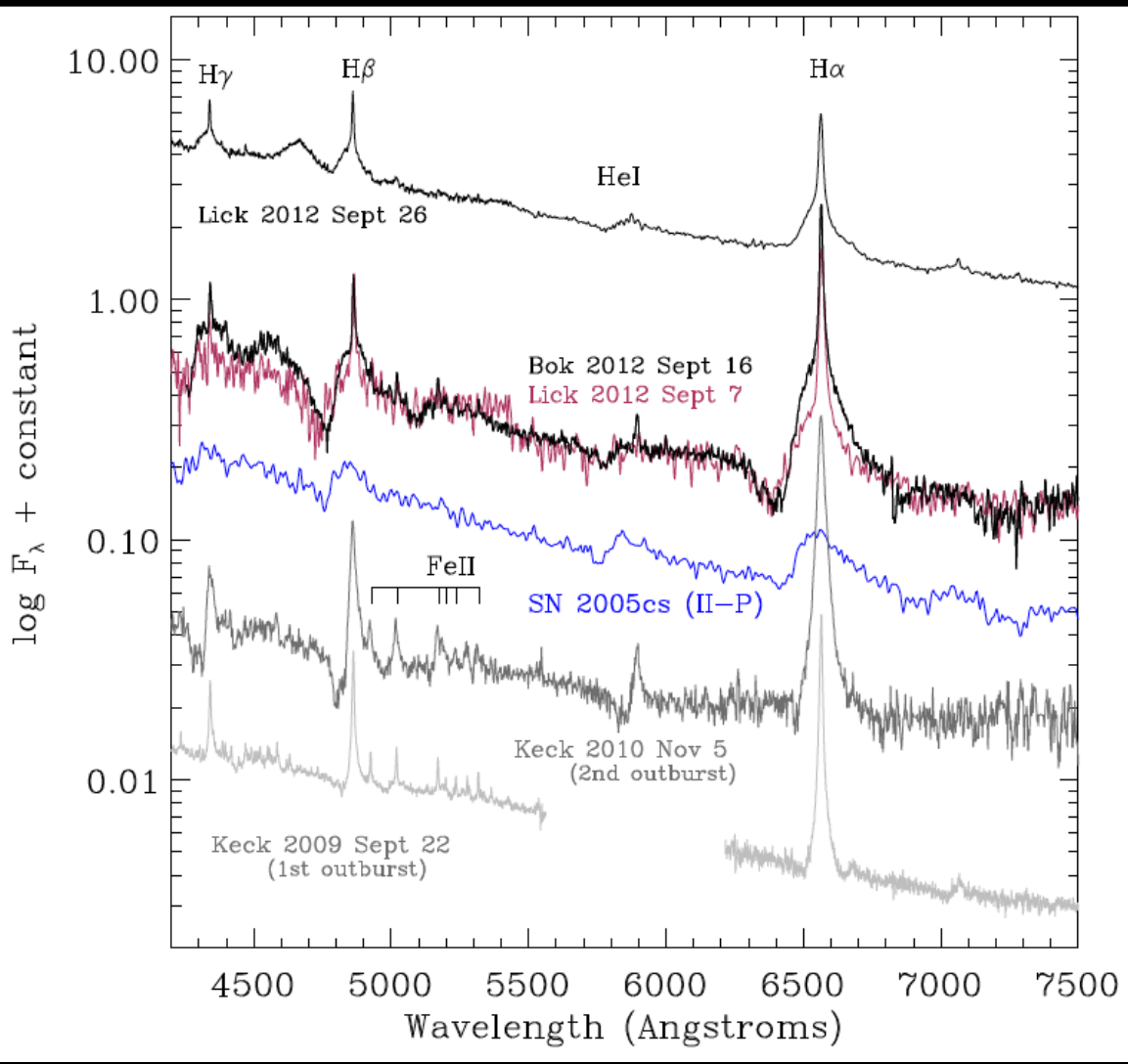
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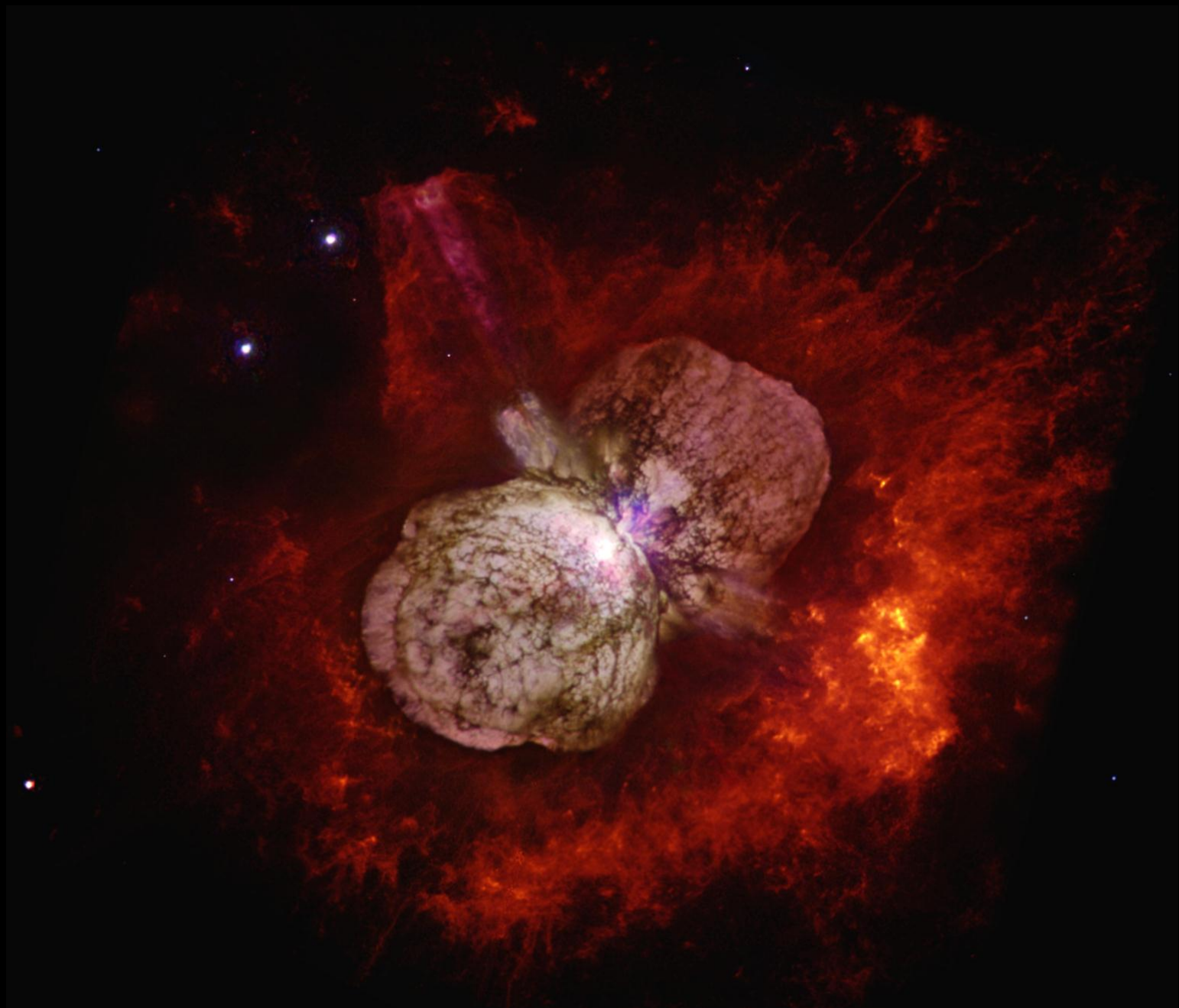
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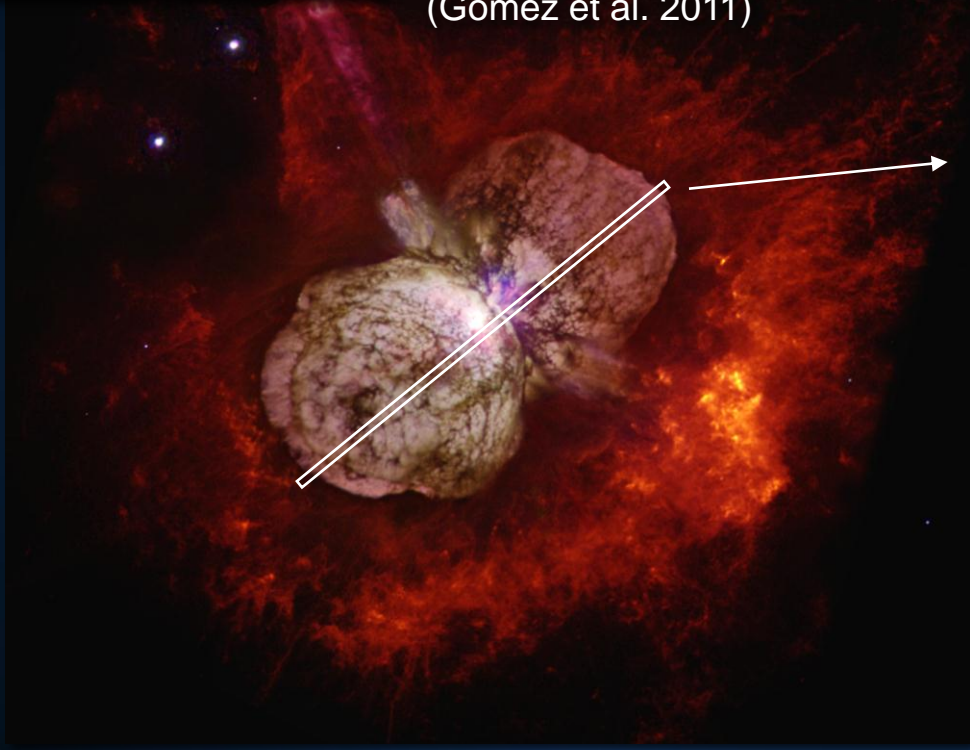


DUST MASS



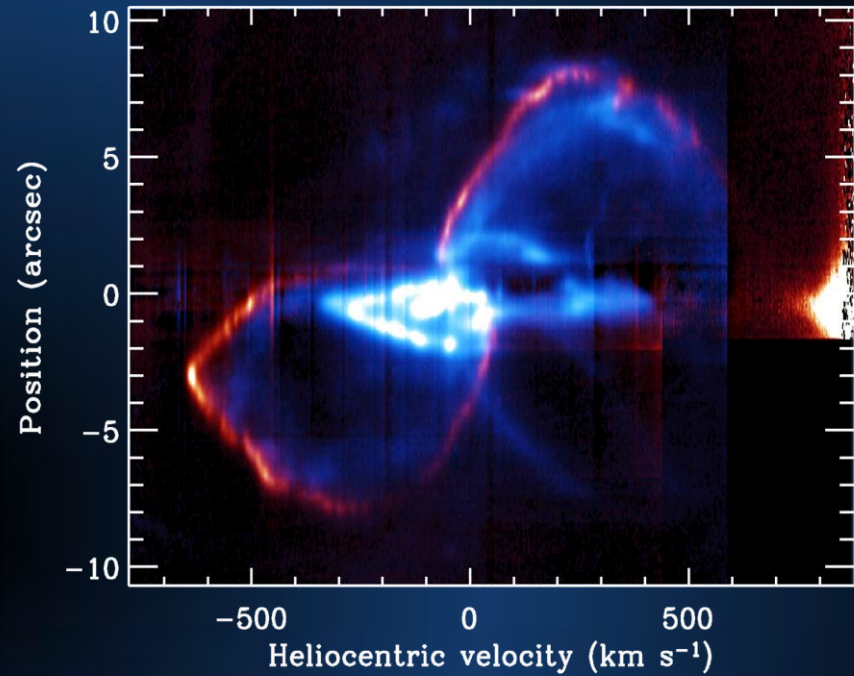
$M_d \sim 0.1-0.15 M_\odot$
in one event! (Smith et al.)

Up to $M_d \sim 0.4 M_\odot$ including
previous events?
(Gomez et al. 2011)



Gemini South/Phoenix R=60,000

1.644 μm [Fe II] 2.122 μm H₂ 1-0 S(1)



Smith (2006) ApJ, 644, 1151

Range of Ejecta
Speed = 40 - 650 km/s

Follows a Hubble law

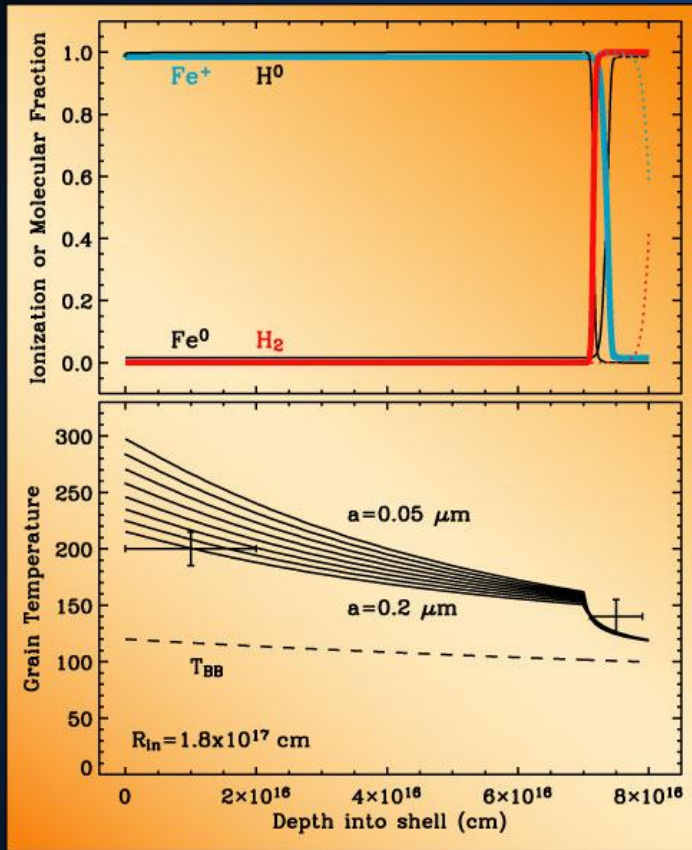
Eta Carinae's
1843 eruption:

Ejected mass = $\sim 15 M_\odot$
KE = 10^{50} erg
 $E_{\text{rad}} = 10^{49.5}$ erg

\leftarrow $KE/E_{\text{rad}} \approx 3$

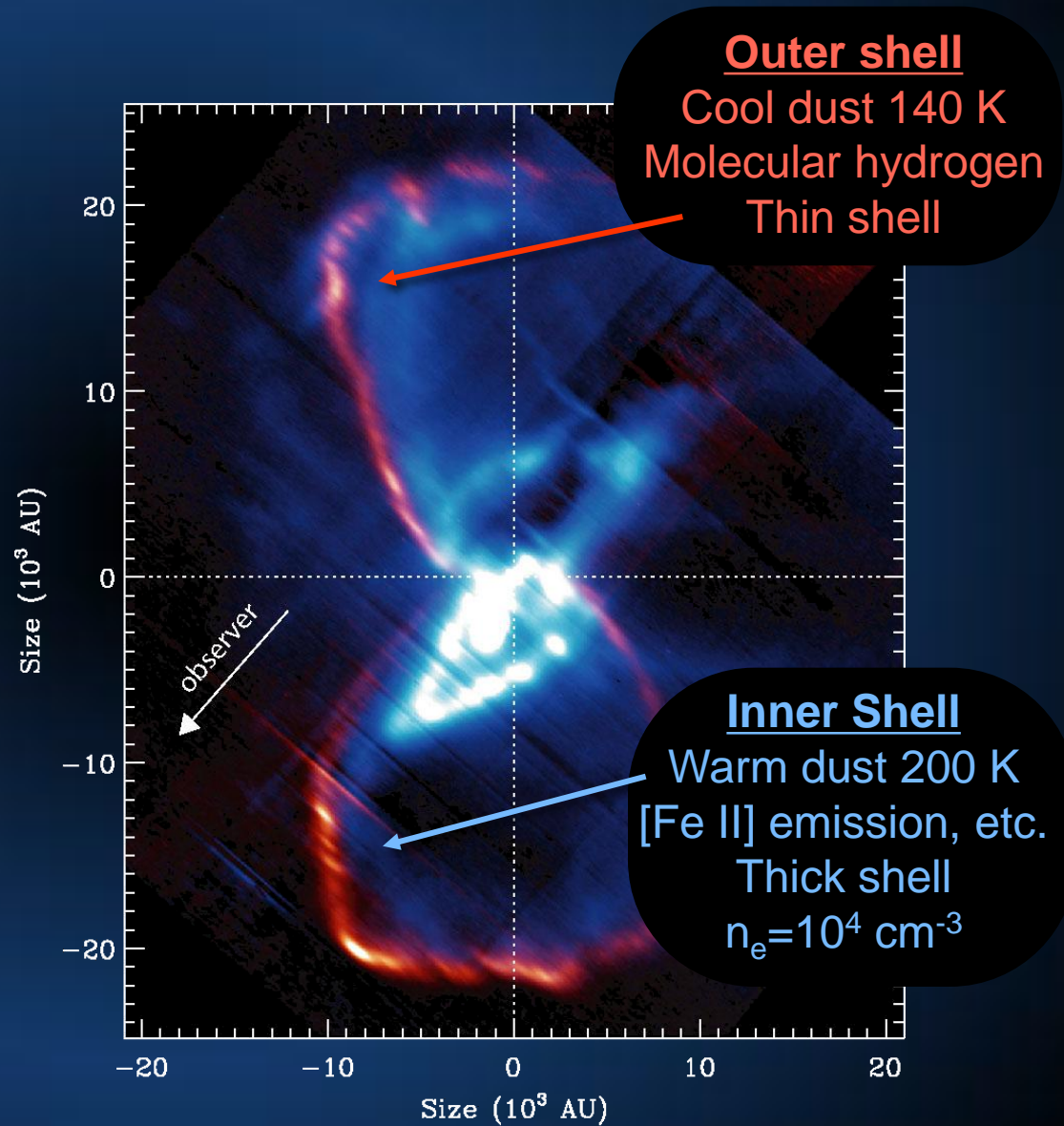
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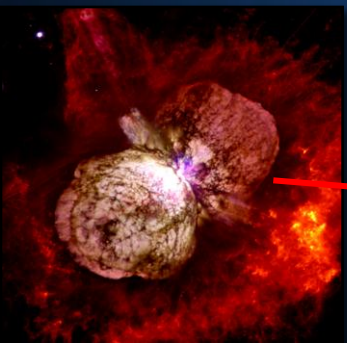
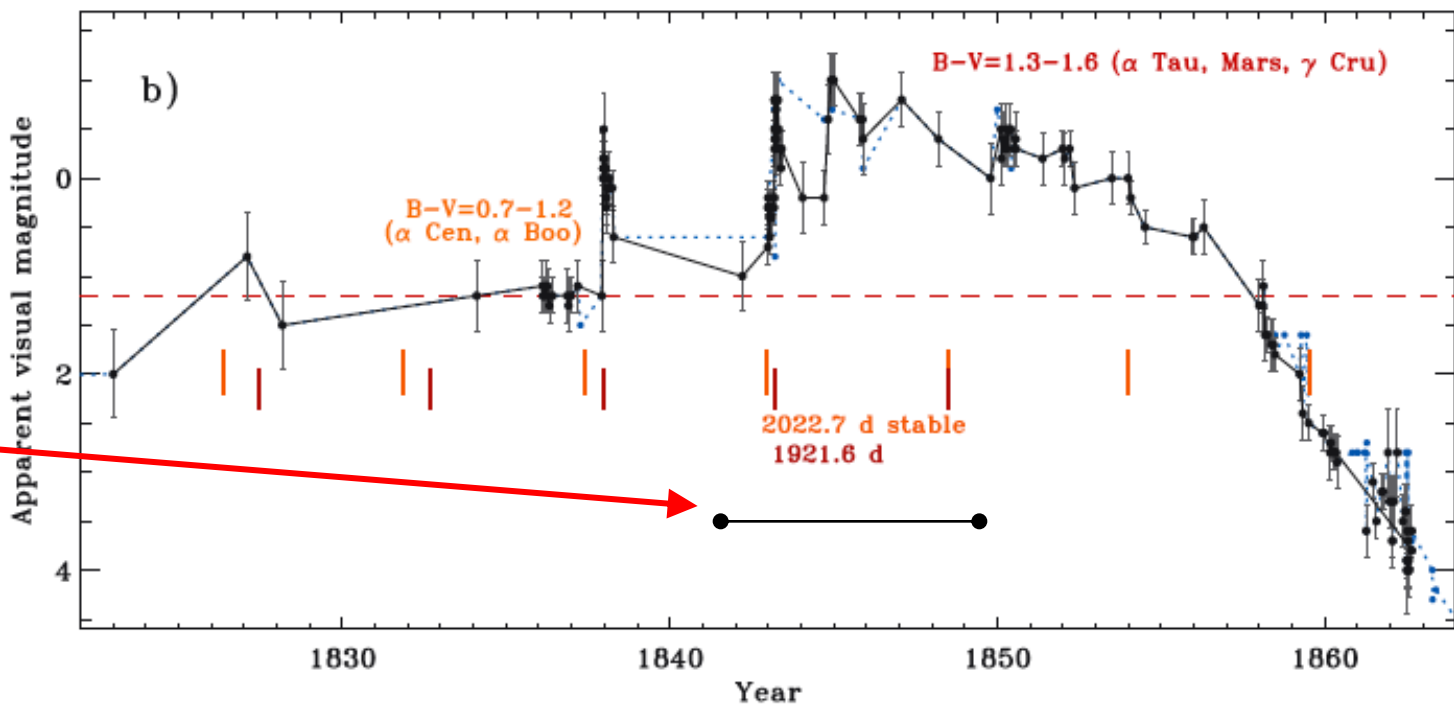
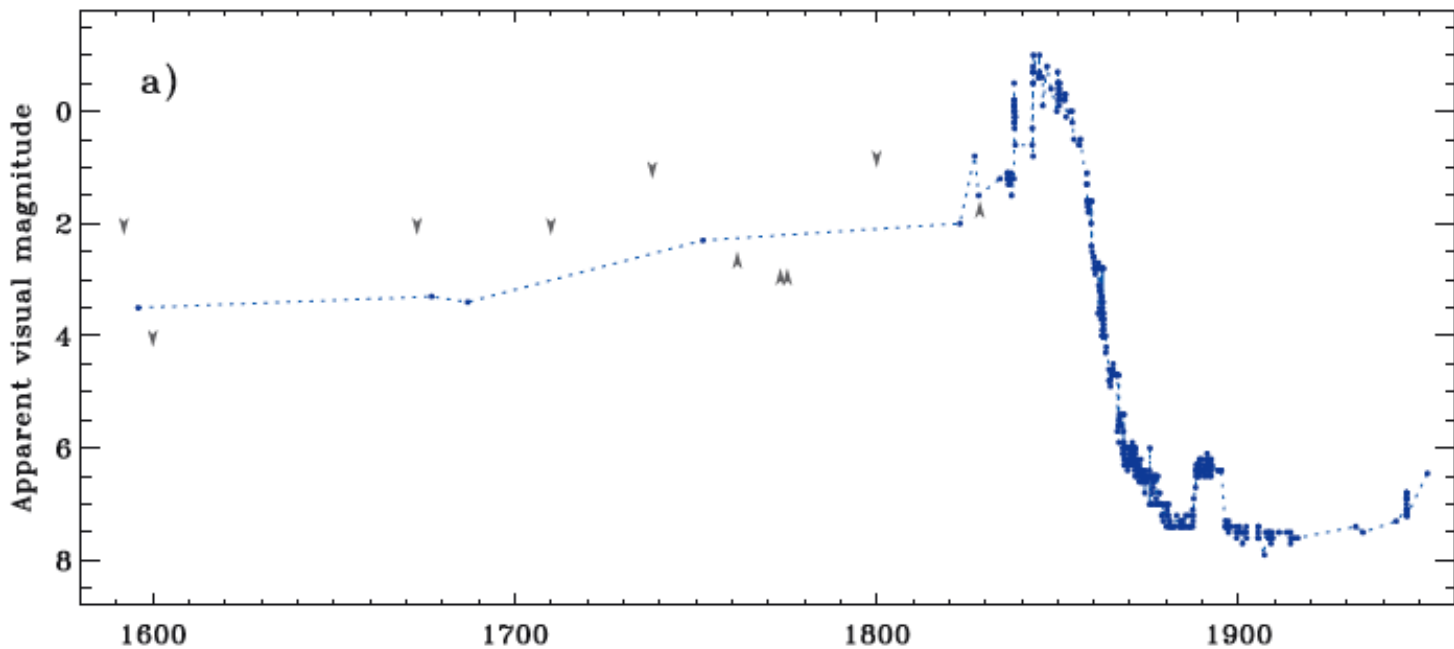
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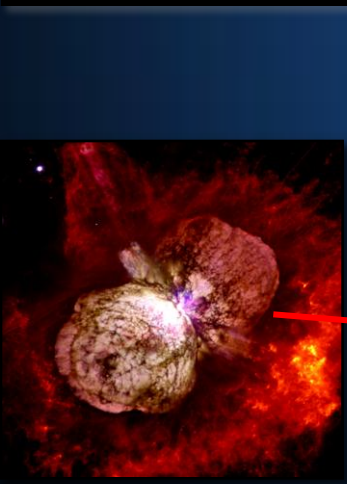
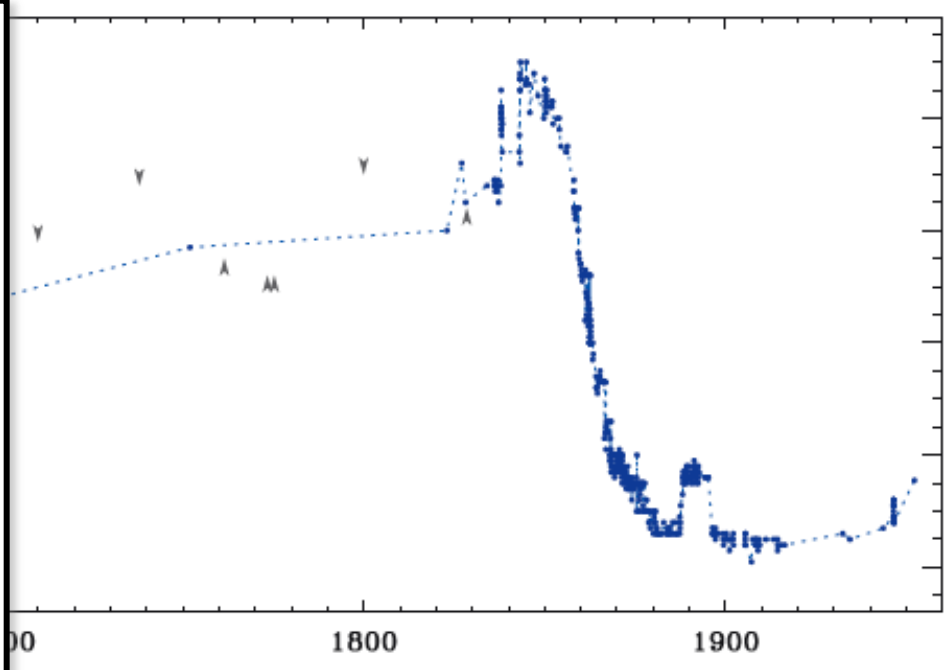
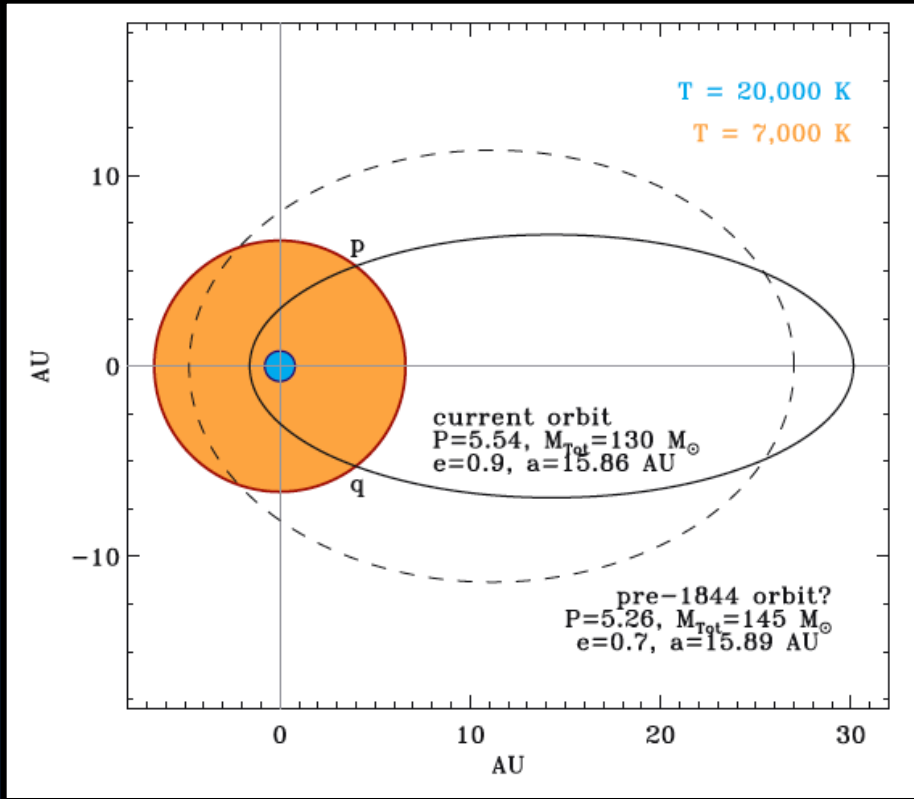
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Smith & Ferland (2007, ApJ, 655, 911)

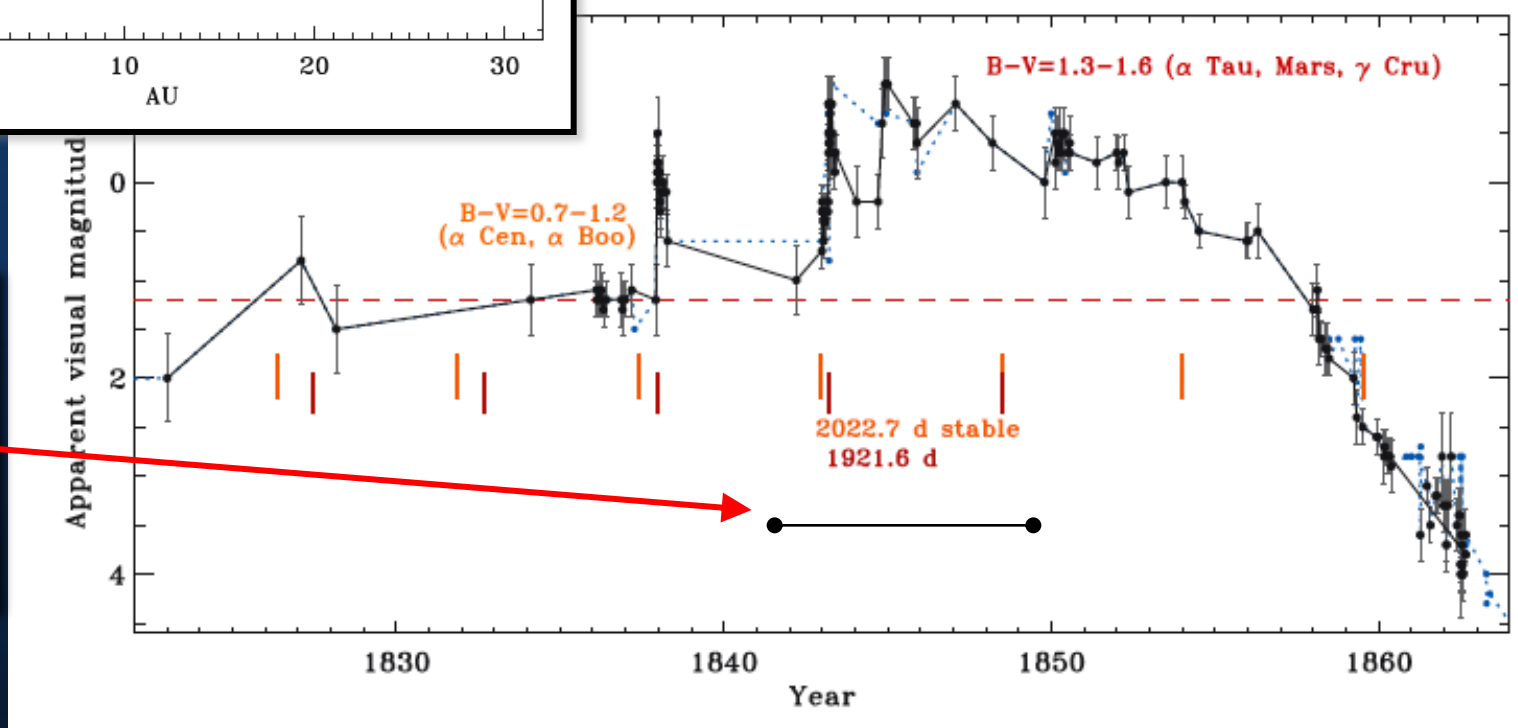




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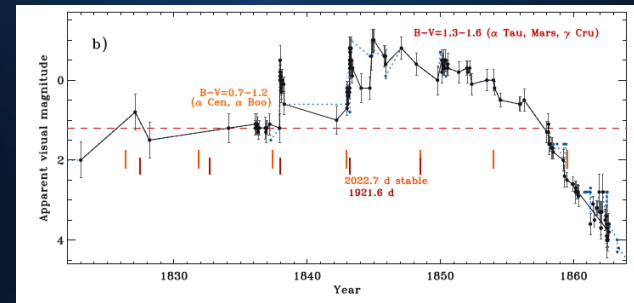
A Model for the 19th Century Eruption of Eta Carinae: CSM Interaction Like a Scaled-Down Type IIIn Supernova

Last Friday - [arXiv:1209.6155](https://arxiv.org/abs/1209.6155)

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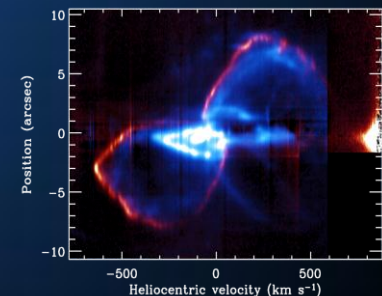
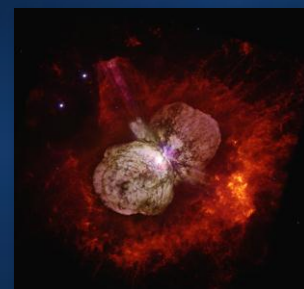
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- V_{SN} is now speed of Homunculus (assume 600 km/s)
- Observed luminosity of roughly $L=2.5e7 L_{\odot}$ requires $w = 10^{18}$ g/cm

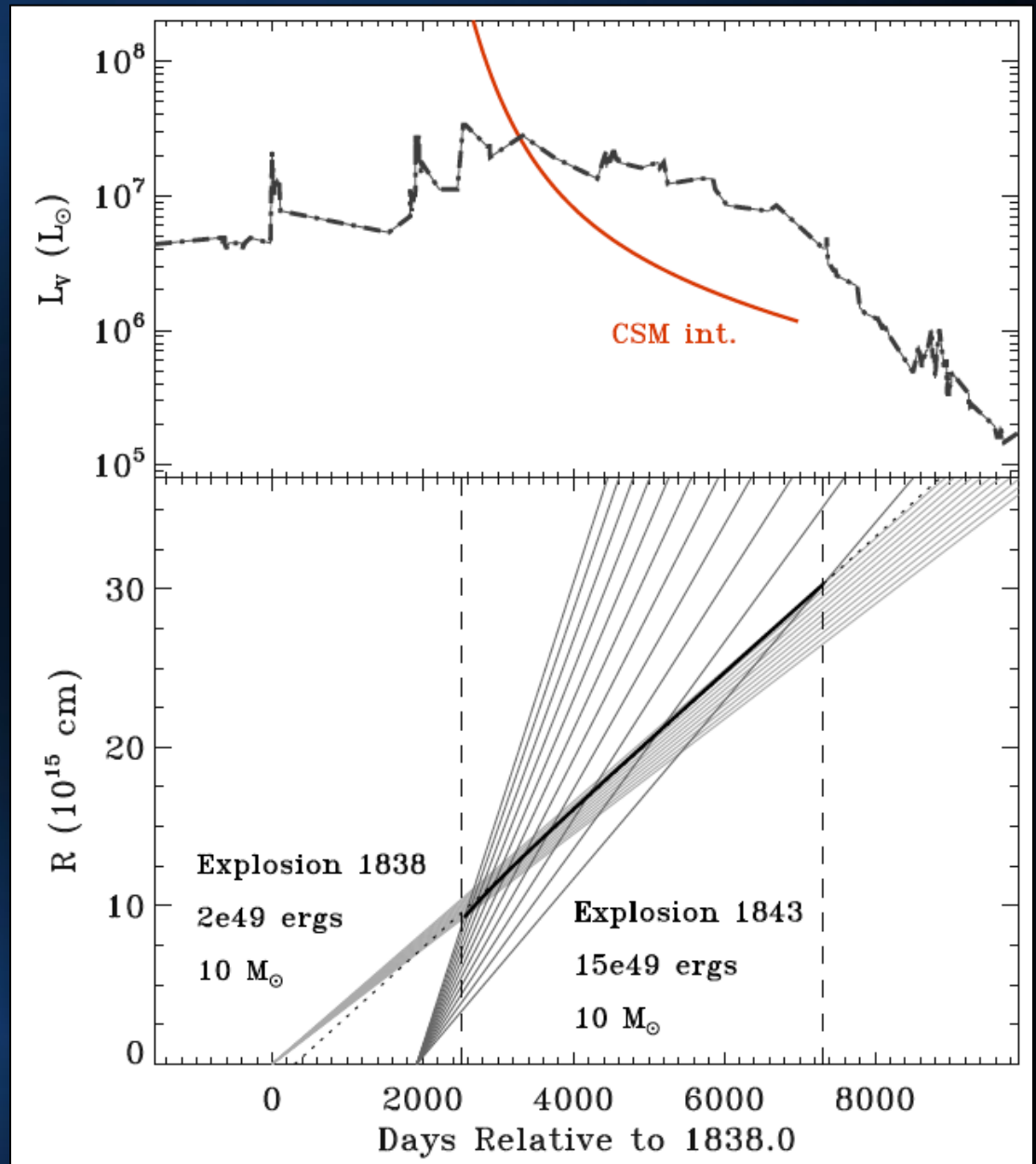
1. Is this consistent with everything else we see (Homunculus, etc)?



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2 explosions
(at periastron passages)

Might work but needs to
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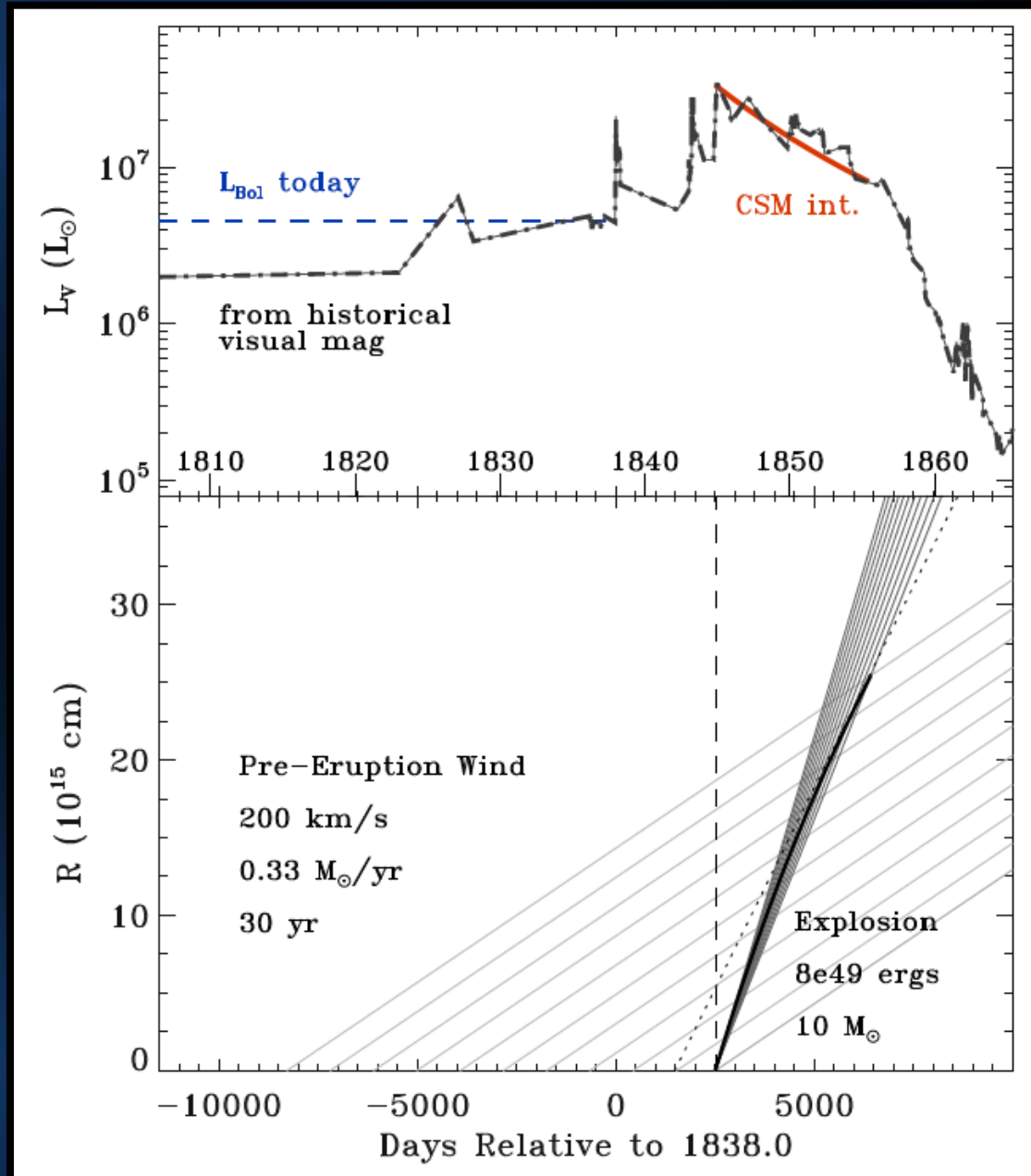
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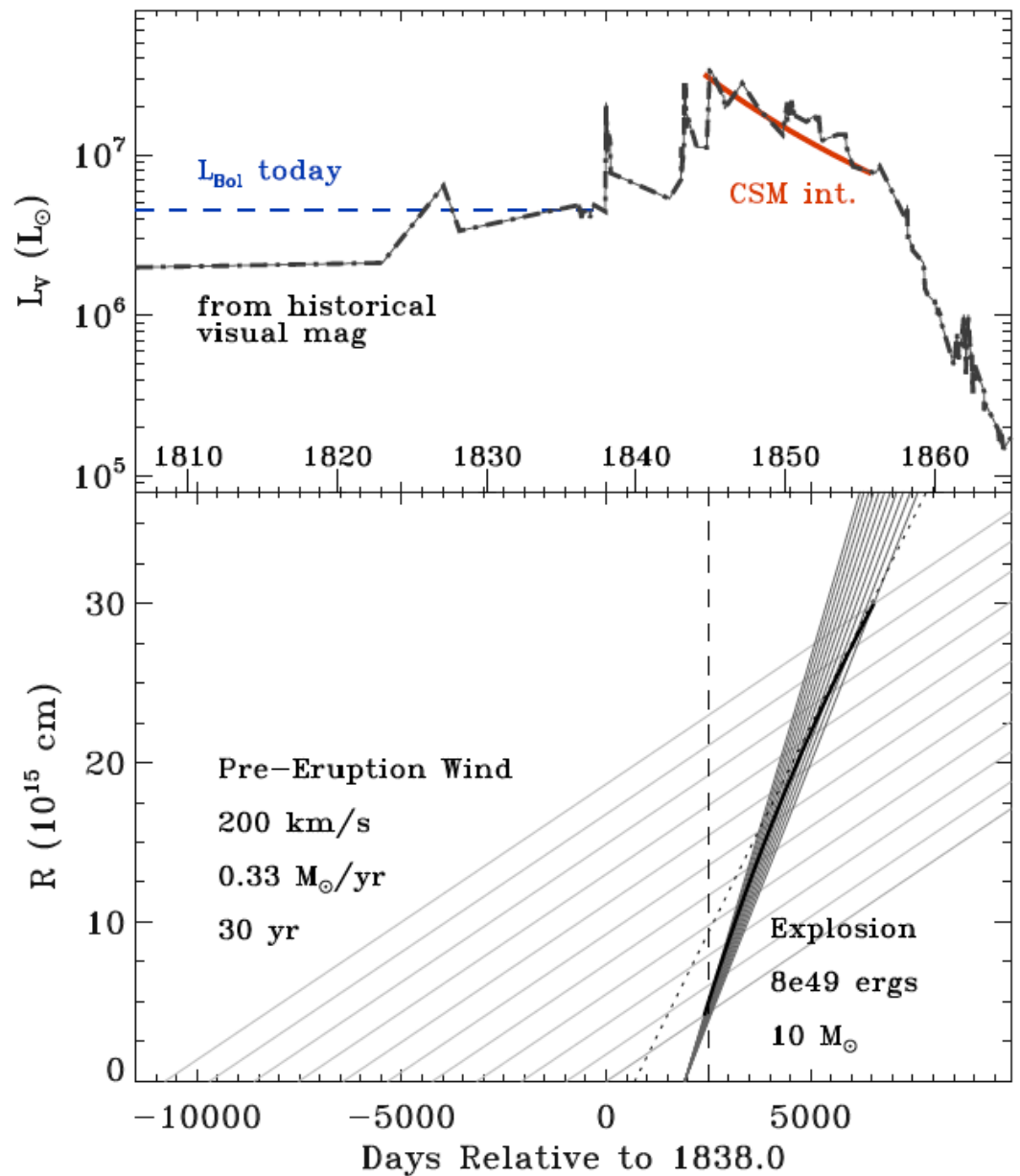
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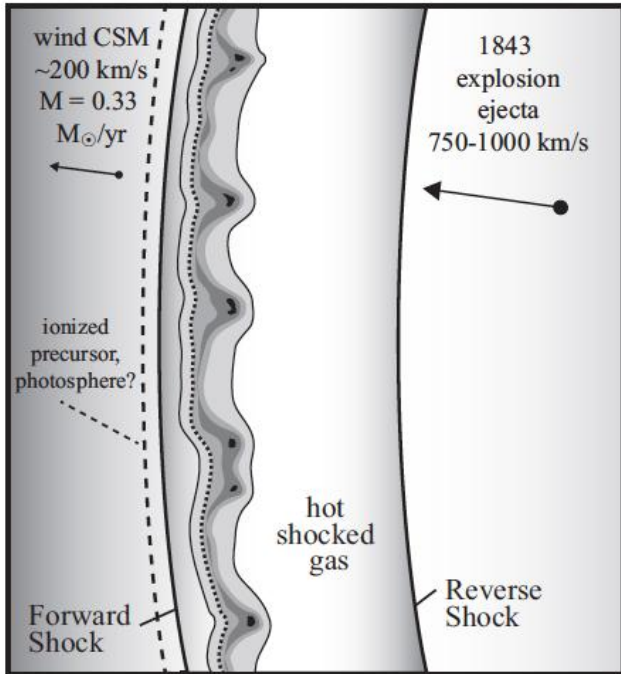
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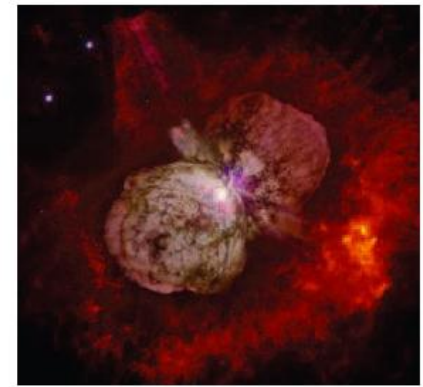
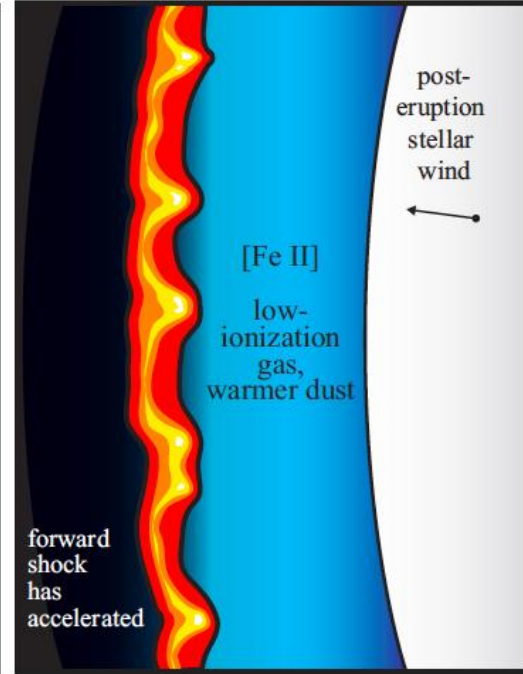
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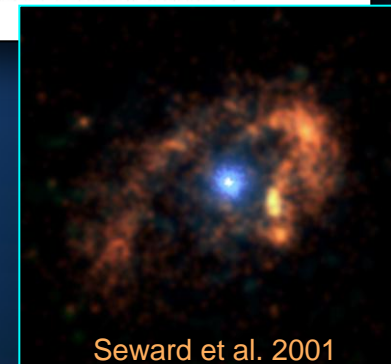
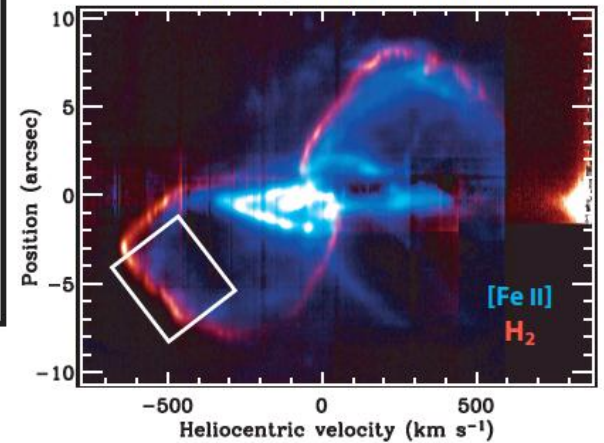
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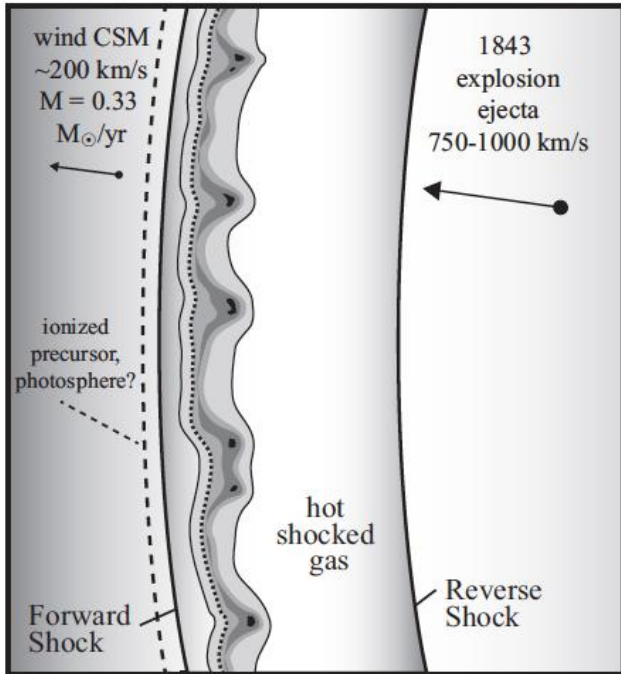
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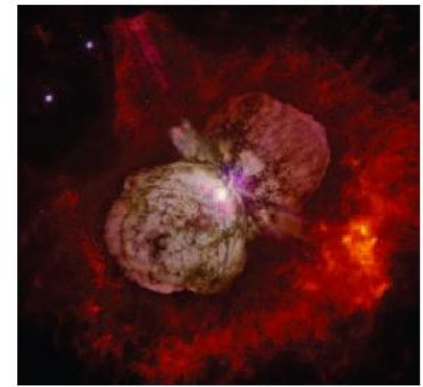
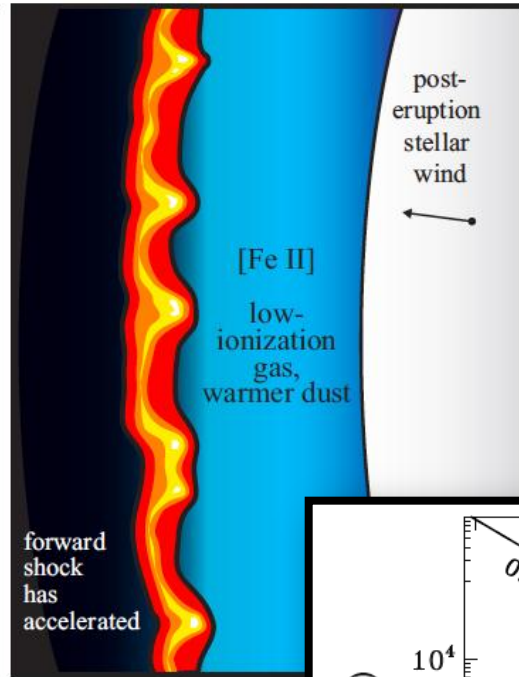
Seward et al. 2001

- High ratio of KE to E_{rad}
- Double shells (thin outer shell, thicker inner shell) frozen in
- Single age (Hubble flow)
- Mottled structure in lobes (thin shell instabilities, frozen in)
- Efficient rapid post-shock dust formation (as seen in SNe IIn)
- Fast ejecta outside Homunculus (forward shock accelerates) – X-ray shell
- Bipolar shape (already explained – Frank et al., Dwarkadas & Balick, etc --- but different parameters...only 10 yr). Did torus come from periastron events?

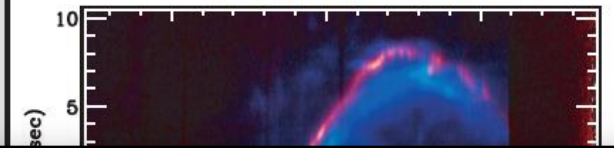
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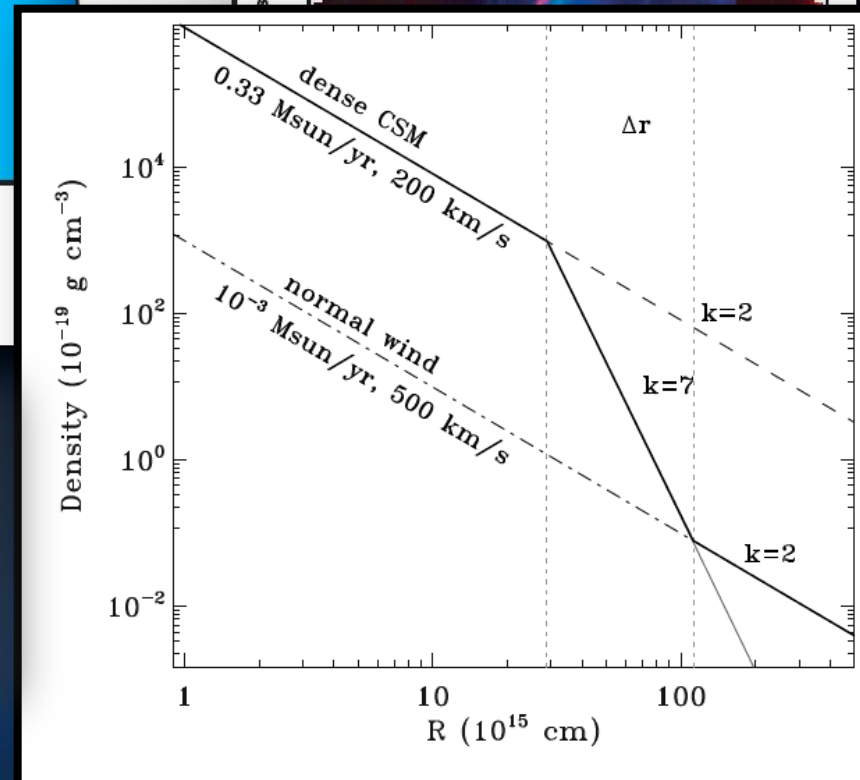
hot shocked gas
opaque cold dense shell (R-T unstable)

H₂, cool dust shell

For a blast wave propagating through a medium with a density gradient given by $\rho \propto R^{-k}$, the velocity of a blast wave is described by

$$V_{BW} \propto R^{\frac{-(3-k)}{2}} \quad (3)$$

(see Ostriker & McKee 1988). For steady winds with $k=2$,



PROGENITORS

SN 2005gl

Moderate Luminosity Type II_n supernova: **Narrow H lines**

Progenitor star was very Luminous: $M_V = -10.3$ or $L = 1.1 \times 10^6 L_\odot$
Implies $M_{\text{ZAMS}} \geq 50 M_\odot$

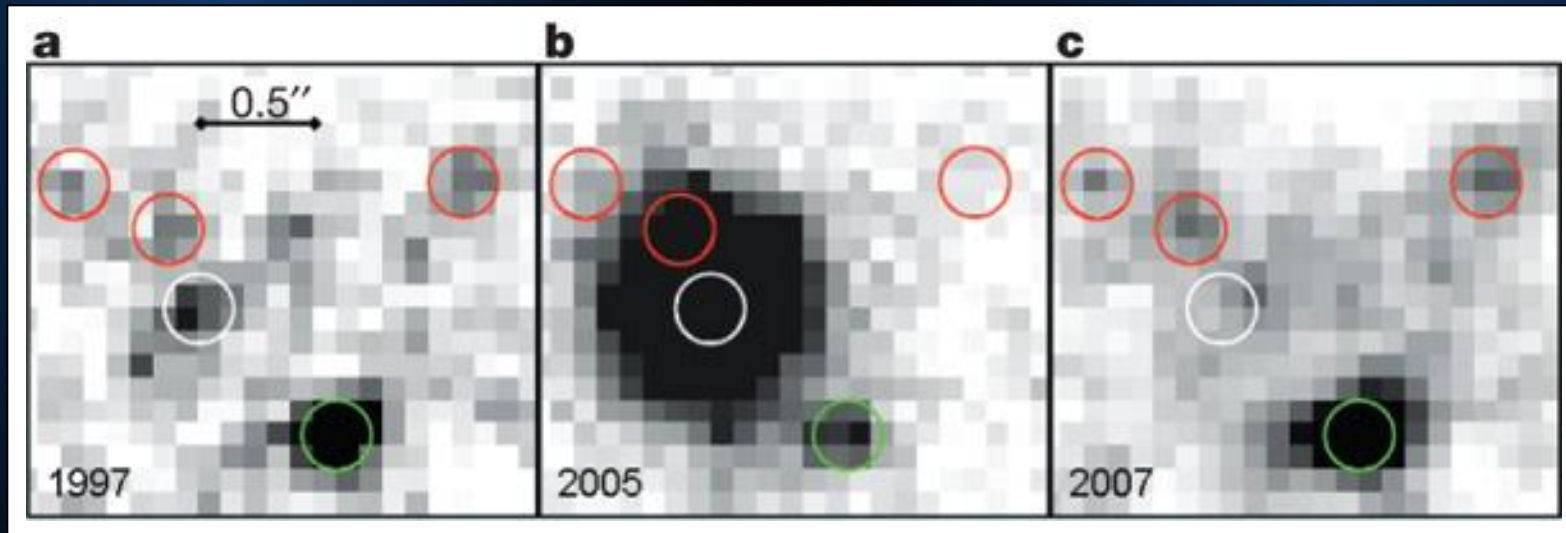
Progenitor mass-loss rate about $0.03 M_\odot/\text{yr}$: **like P Cyg in 1600 AD**

The progenitor star of SN 2005gl faded after the supernova event.

Faded by
>1.5 mag

LBV progenitor $V=24.1$ mag

No survivor $V>25.6$ mag



Gal-Yam & Leonard *Nature* (2009)

PROGENITORS

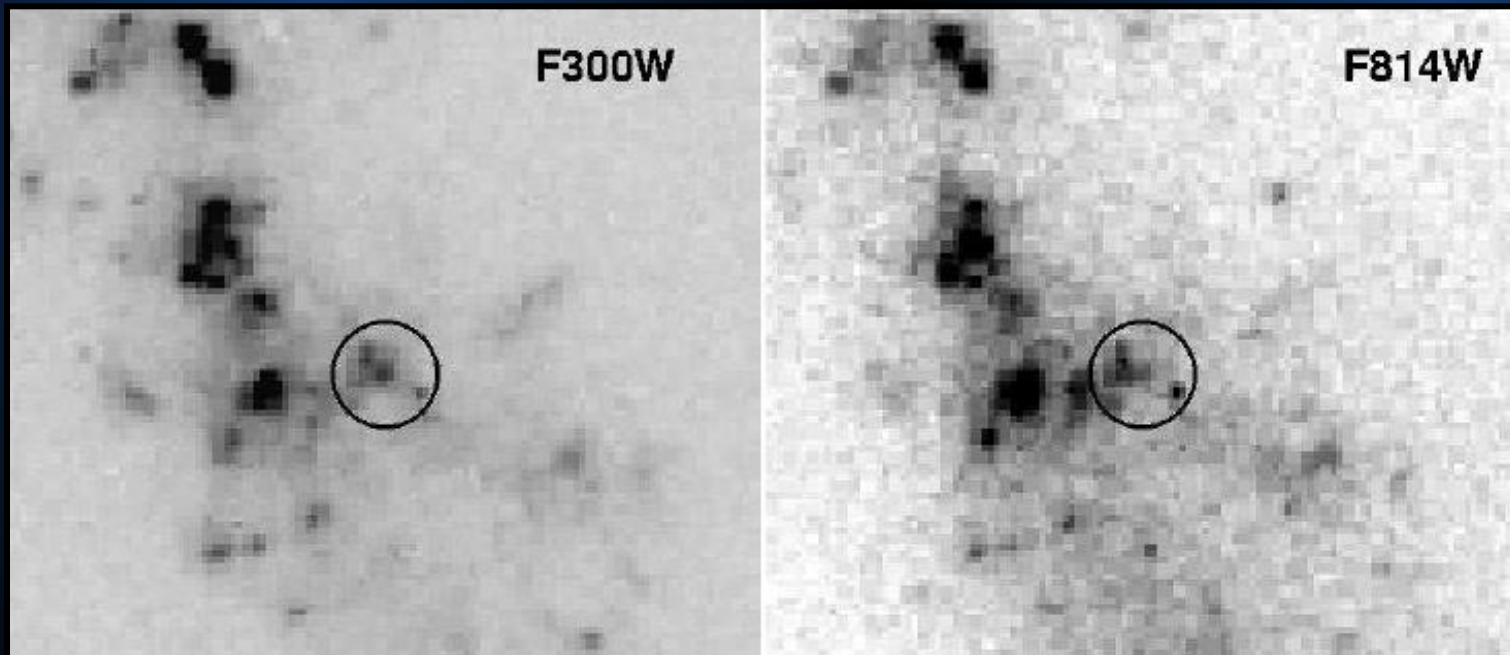
SN 2010jl

Very luminous Type IIn supernova (-20.something)

Bright blue source at SN position: $M_{F300W} = -12$

(either massive young cluster or very luminous progenitor star)

Implies $M_{ZAMS} \geq 30 M_{\odot}$

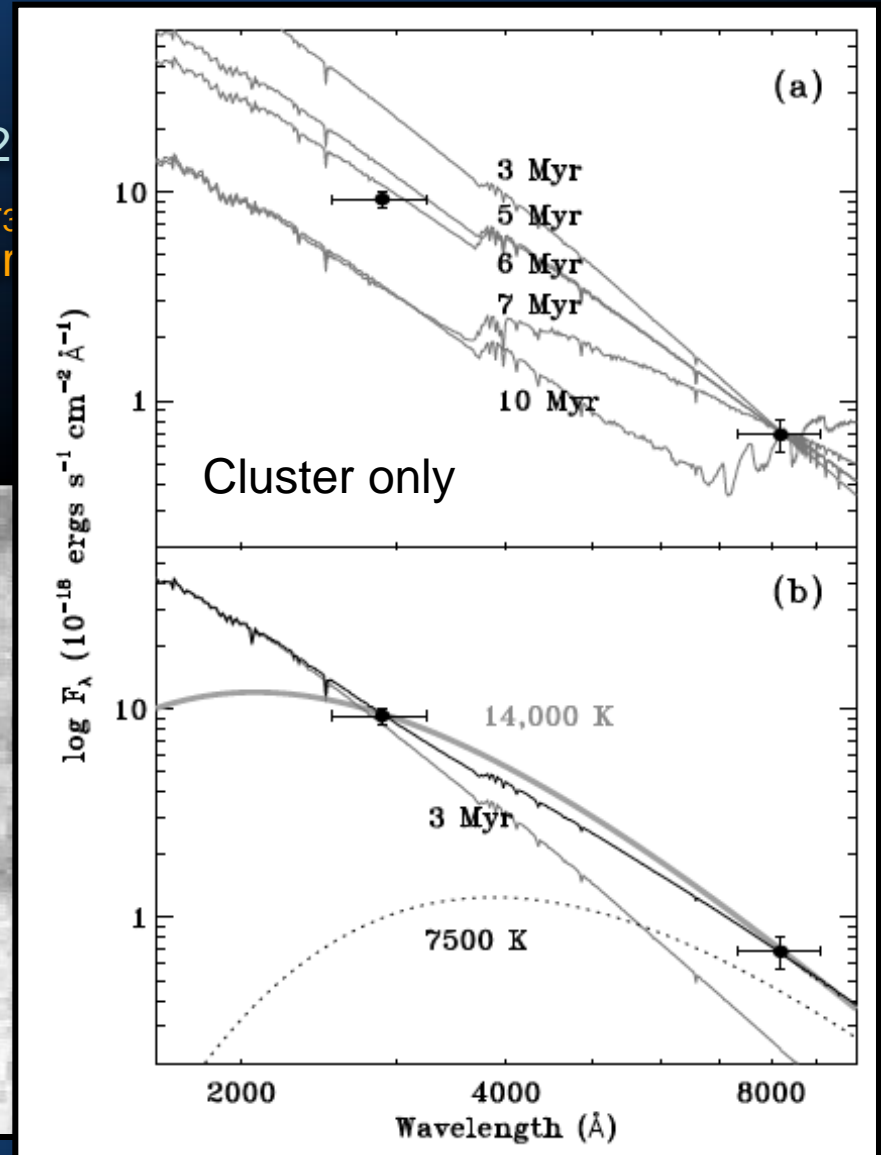
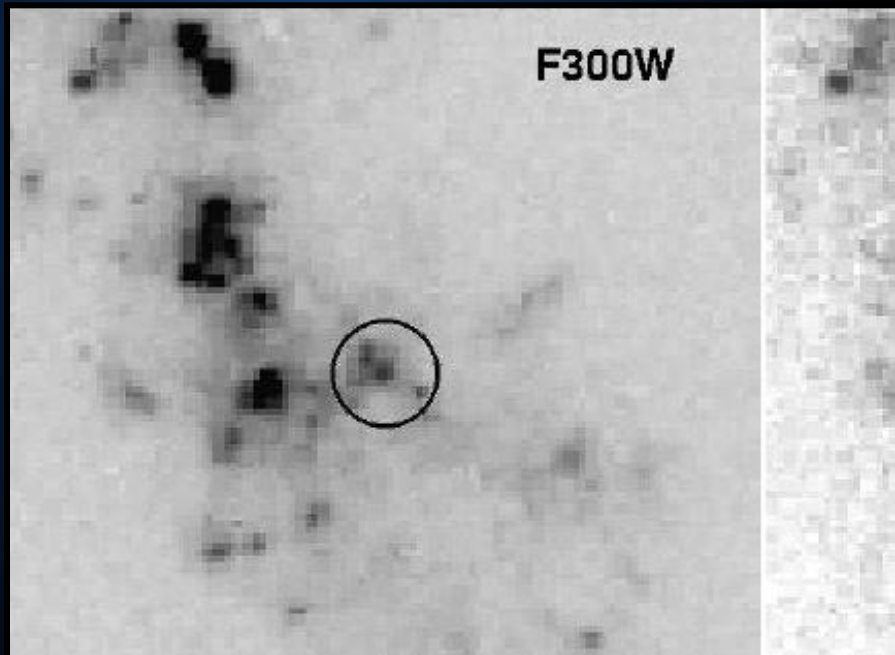


PROGENITORS

SN 2010jl

Very luminous Type II_n supernova (-2)
Bright blue source at SN position: M_{F336}
(either massive young cluster or very young star)

Implies $M_{ZAMS} \geq 30 M_{\odot}$



Smith et al. (2011)

PROGENITORS

SN 1961V

SN 1961V was probably a real core-collapse Type II.

Peak L was 40x brighter than Eta Car's eruption, and brighter than any other SN impostor, but in-line with other SNe II (Smith et al. 2011).

V band: by 1970 it was 4 mag fainter than progenitor. Today it is at least 5.5 mag fainter.

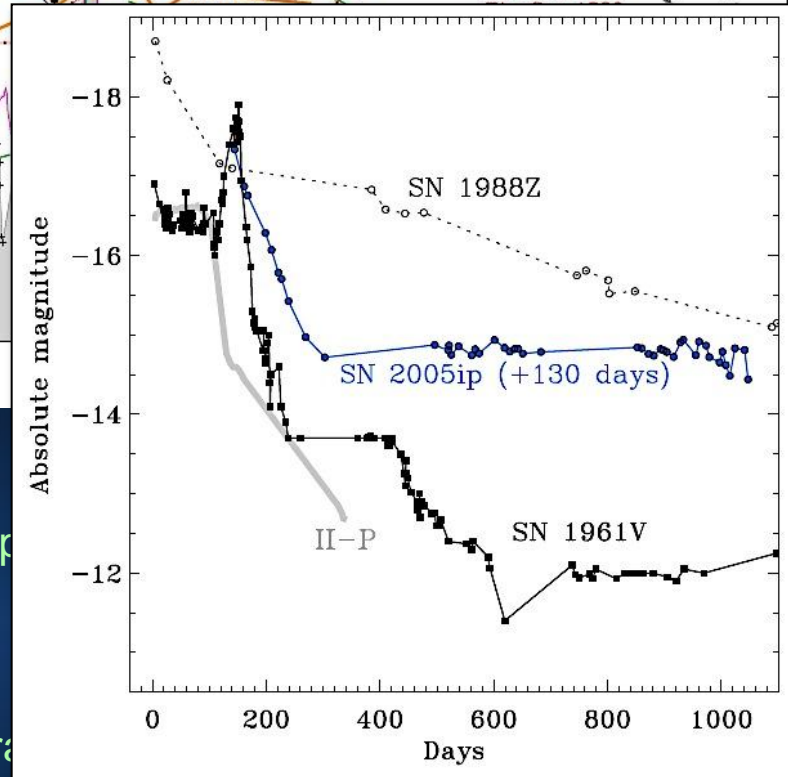
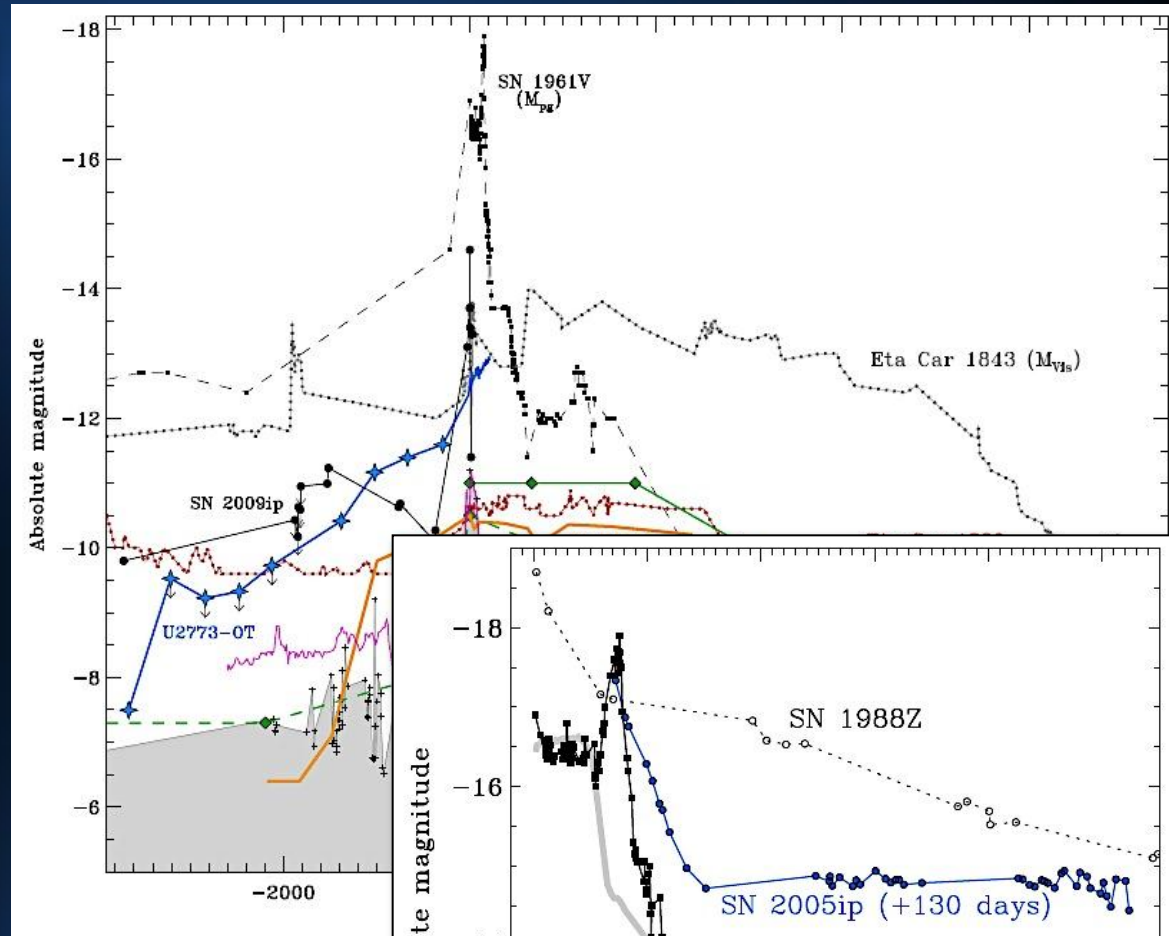
Spitzer upper limits to any present-day IR source suggest that the LBV star did not survive (Kochanek et al. 2011)

See however, Van Dyk & Matheson 2011.

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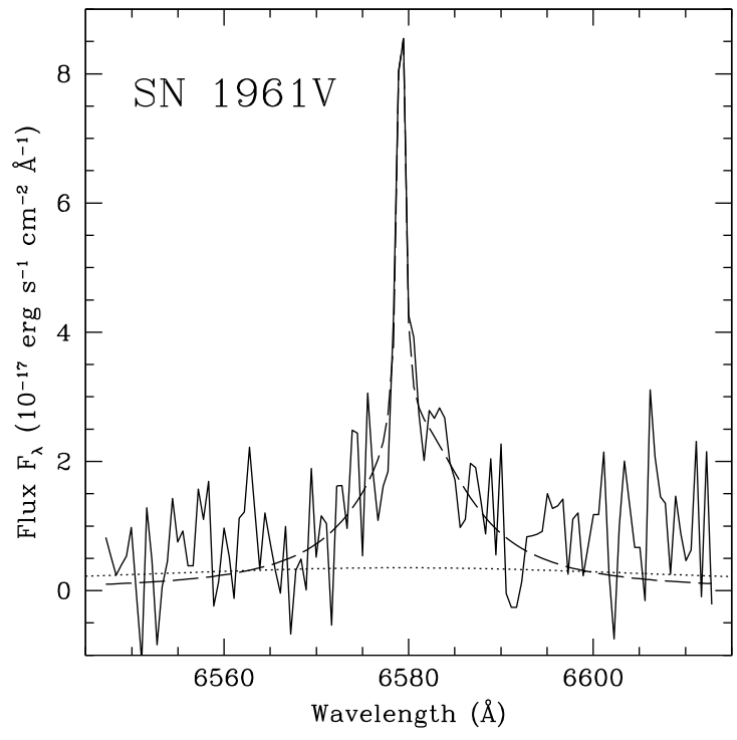
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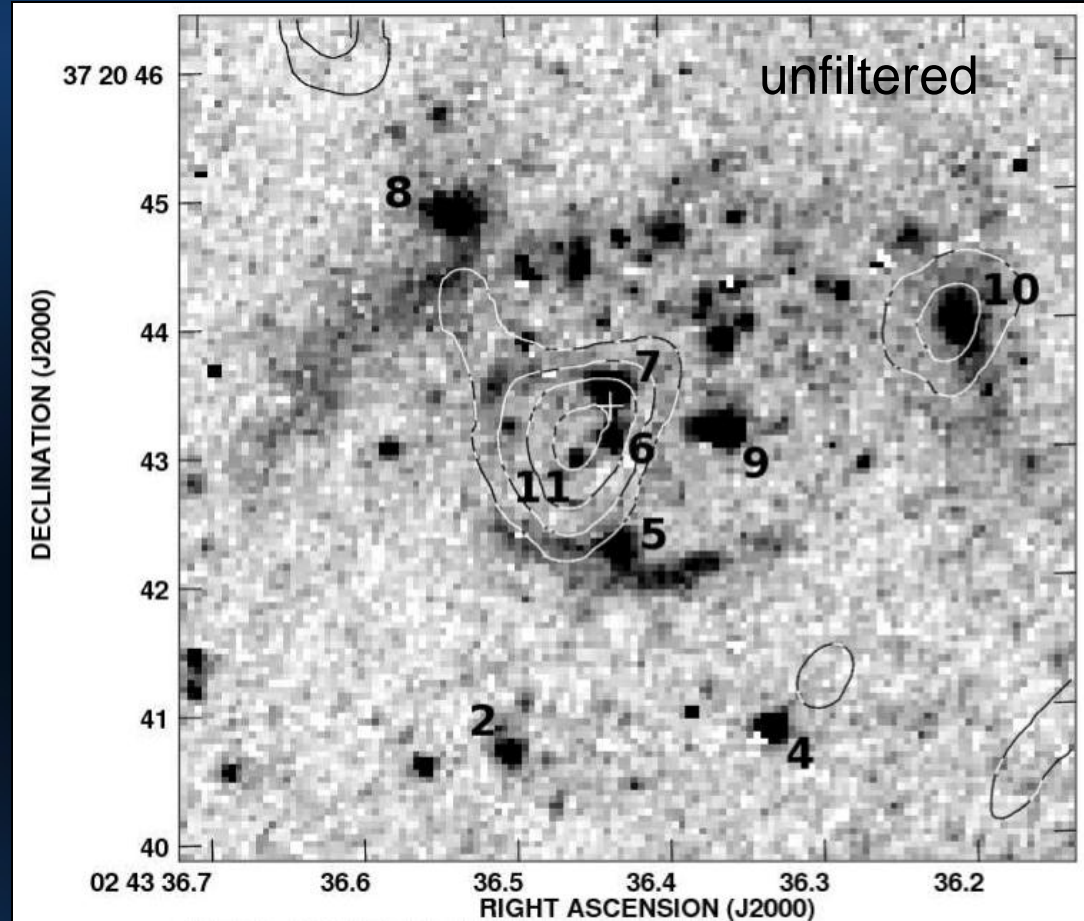
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Van Dyk & Matheson 2011, Chu et al. 2004

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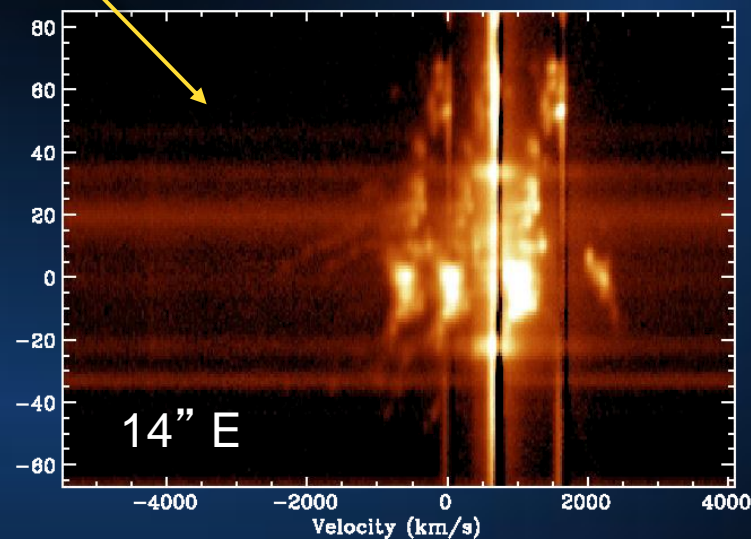
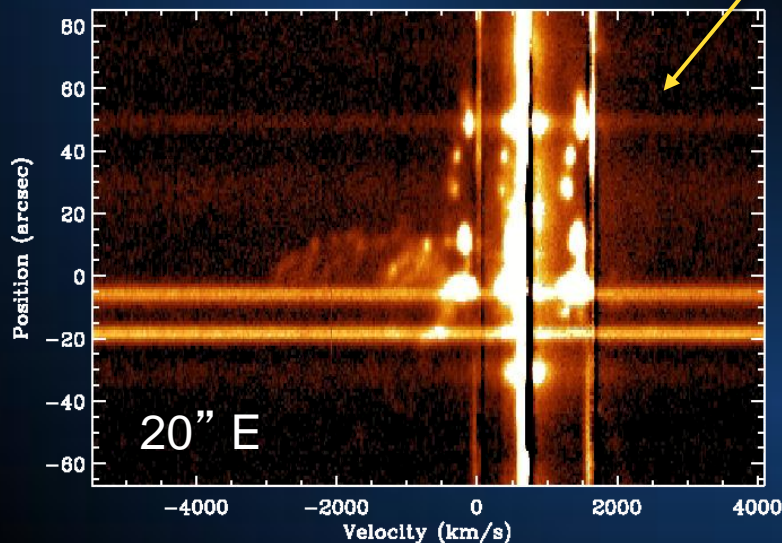
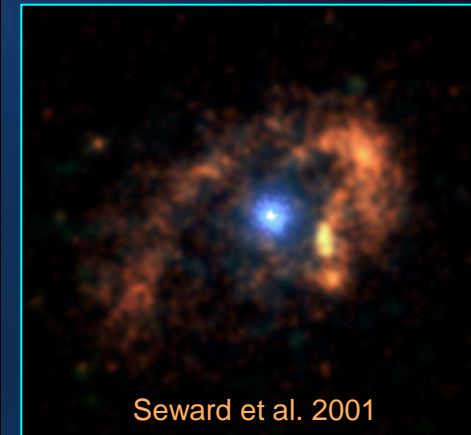
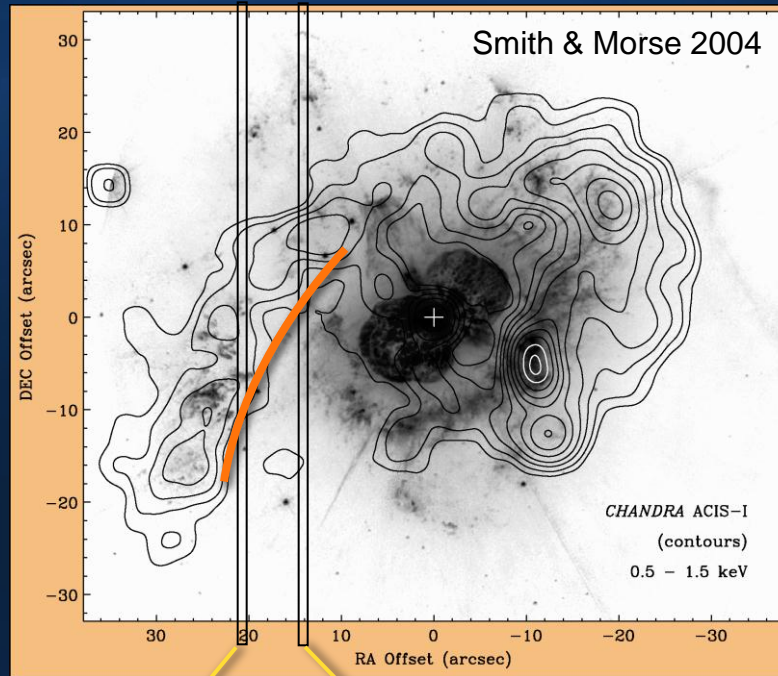
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A BLAST WAVE FROM THE 1843 ERUPTION OF ETA CARINAE?

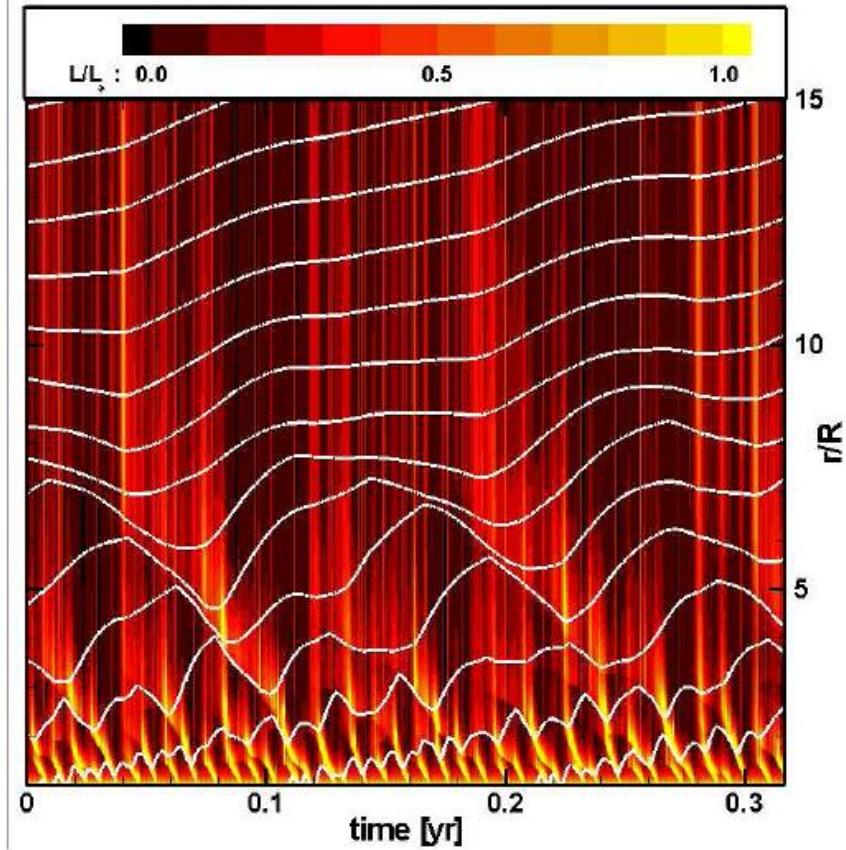
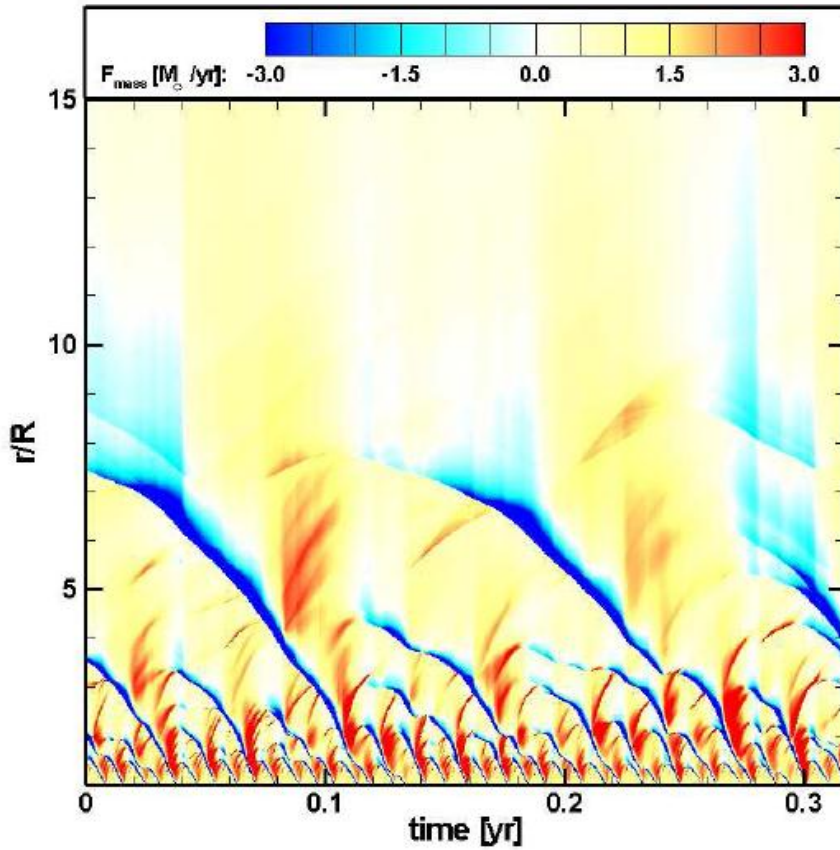
Spectra of [N II] reveal **fast** material with Doppler shifts up to ~ 3000 km/s.

True velocities of 5000 to 6000 km/s.



Smith (2008)
Nature, 455, 201

Numerical simulations of continuum-driven super-Eddington winds



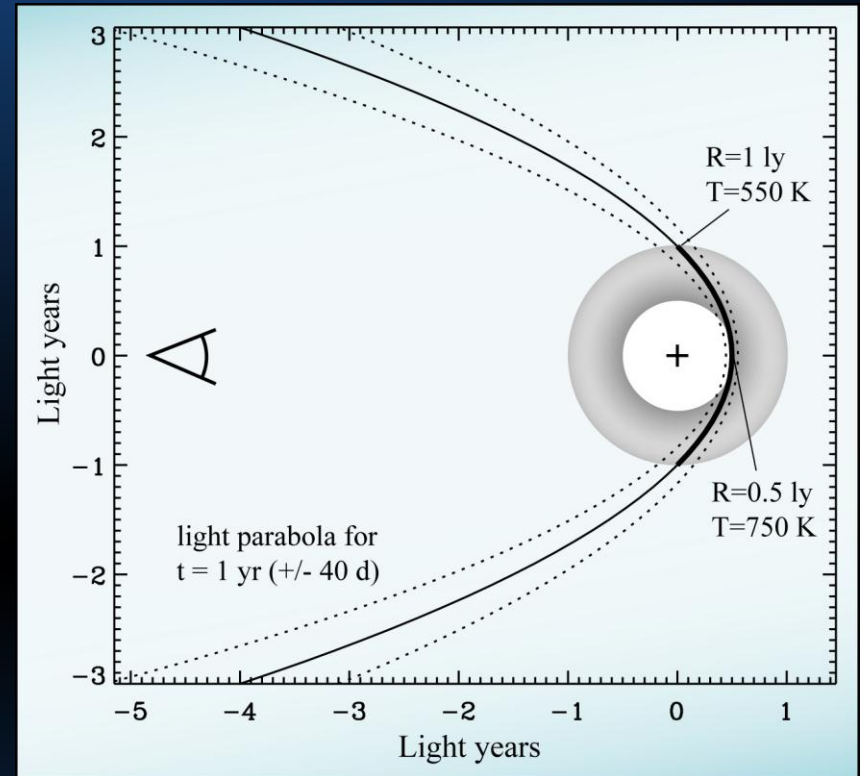
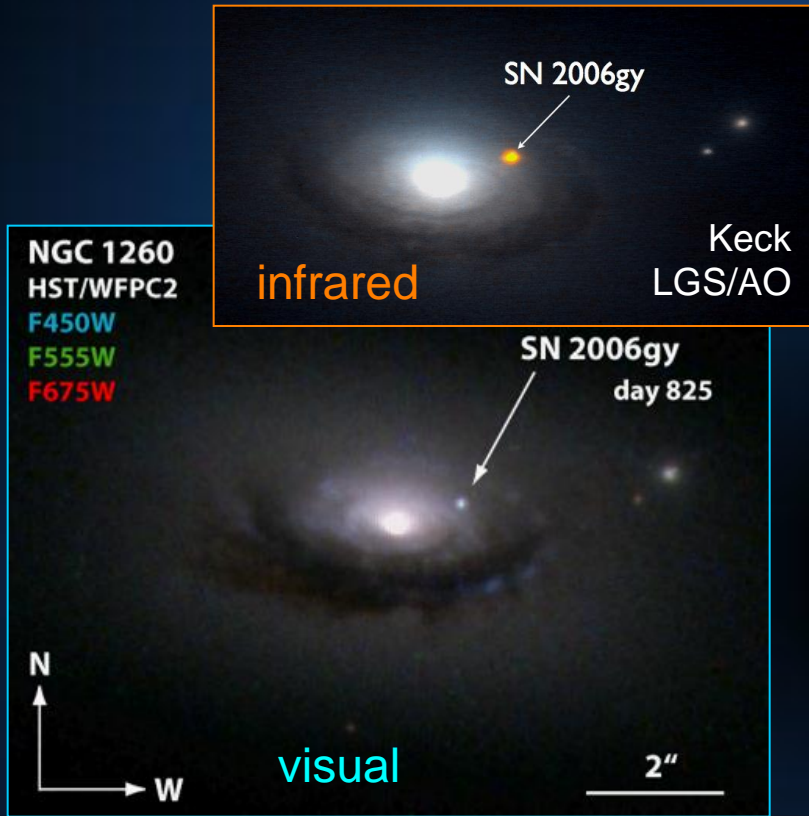
Van Marle, Owocki, & Shaviv 2009

Photon tiring...
...wind stagnates.

$G = 10$

DUST

SLSNe IIn have IR echoes from circumstellar dust shells



IR/optical echo:

Massive dust shell at $R=0.5-1$ light year
(ejected 1500 yr before SN).

Requires $0.05-0.1 M_{\odot}$ of dust ($5-10 M_{\odot}$ total mass).

Smith et al. 2008, ApJ, 686, 485

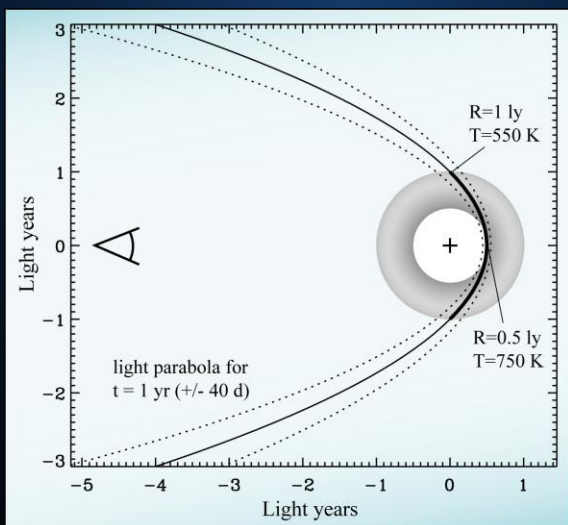
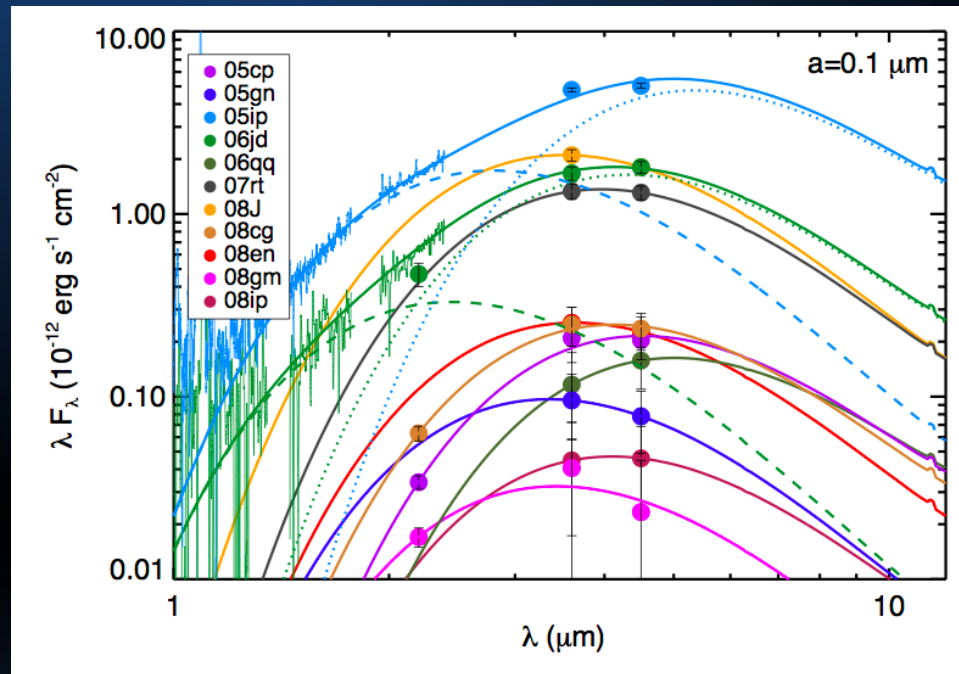
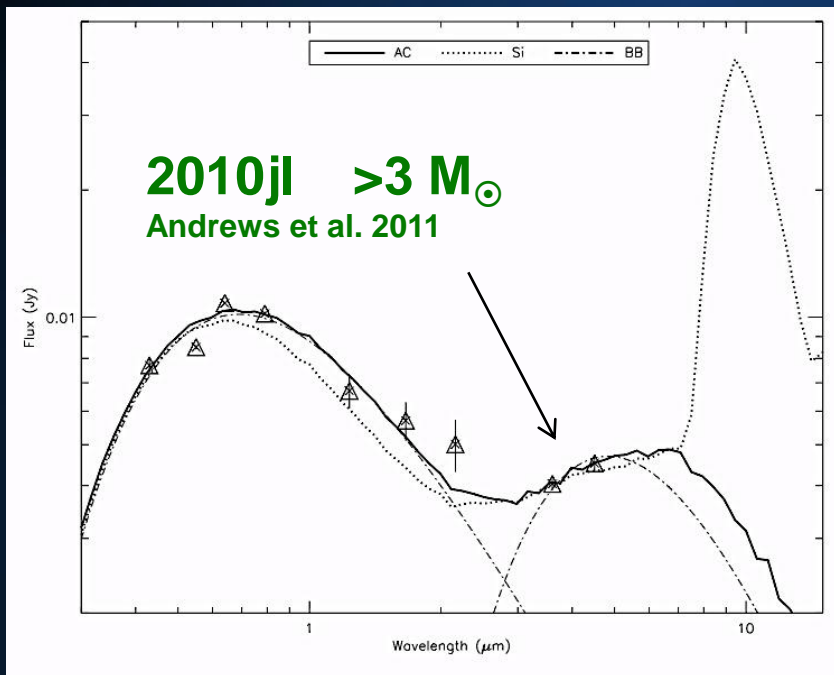
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Miller et al. 2010, AJ, 139, 2218

Multiple massive shell ejections, 8 yr before and ~1500 yr before.

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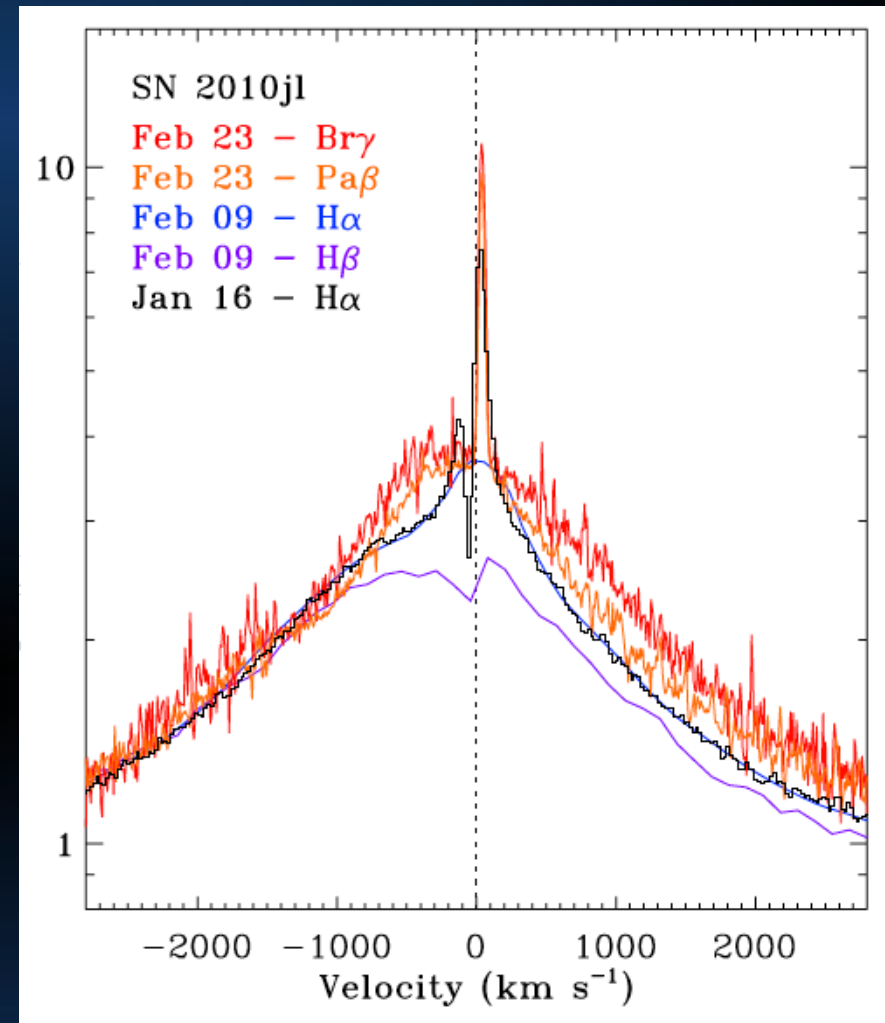
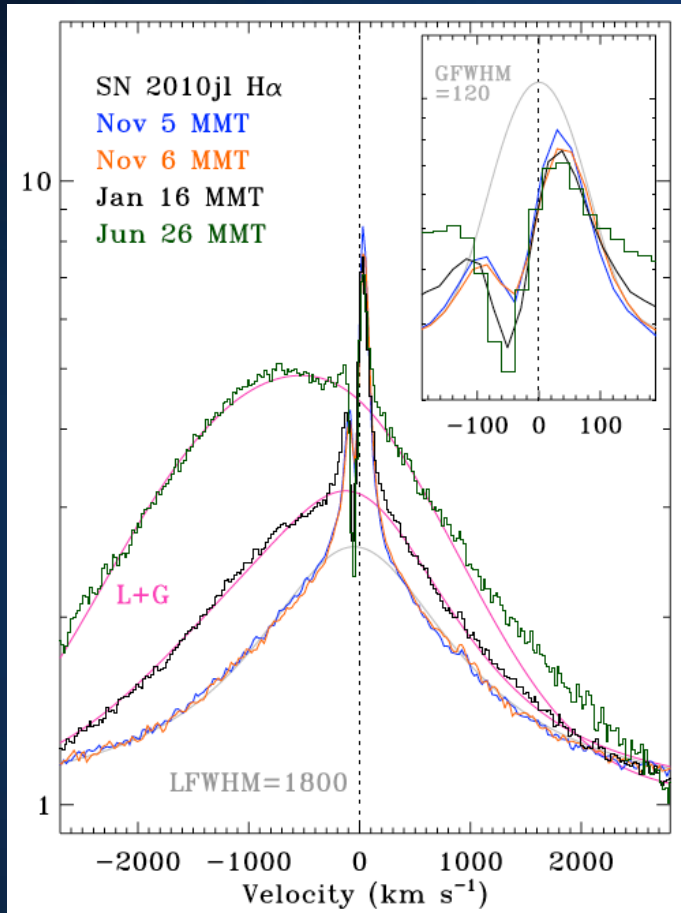


IR Echoes from normal SNe IIn
(not SLSNe) are common too.

Fox et al. (2011)

DUST

SLSNe II also have dust formation



However, asymmetric line profiles also indicate **new dust formation** in post-shock gas.

Smith et al. (2012)

