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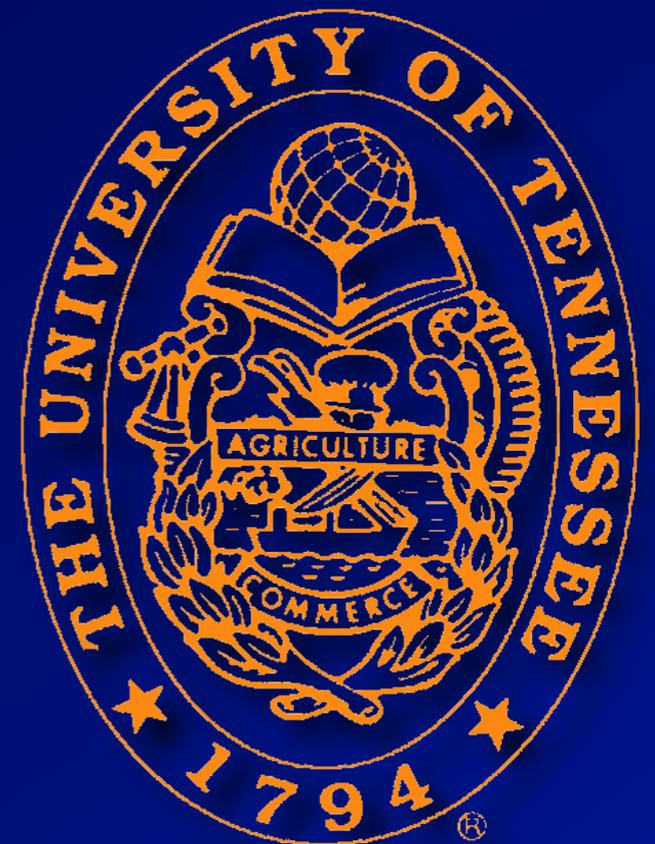
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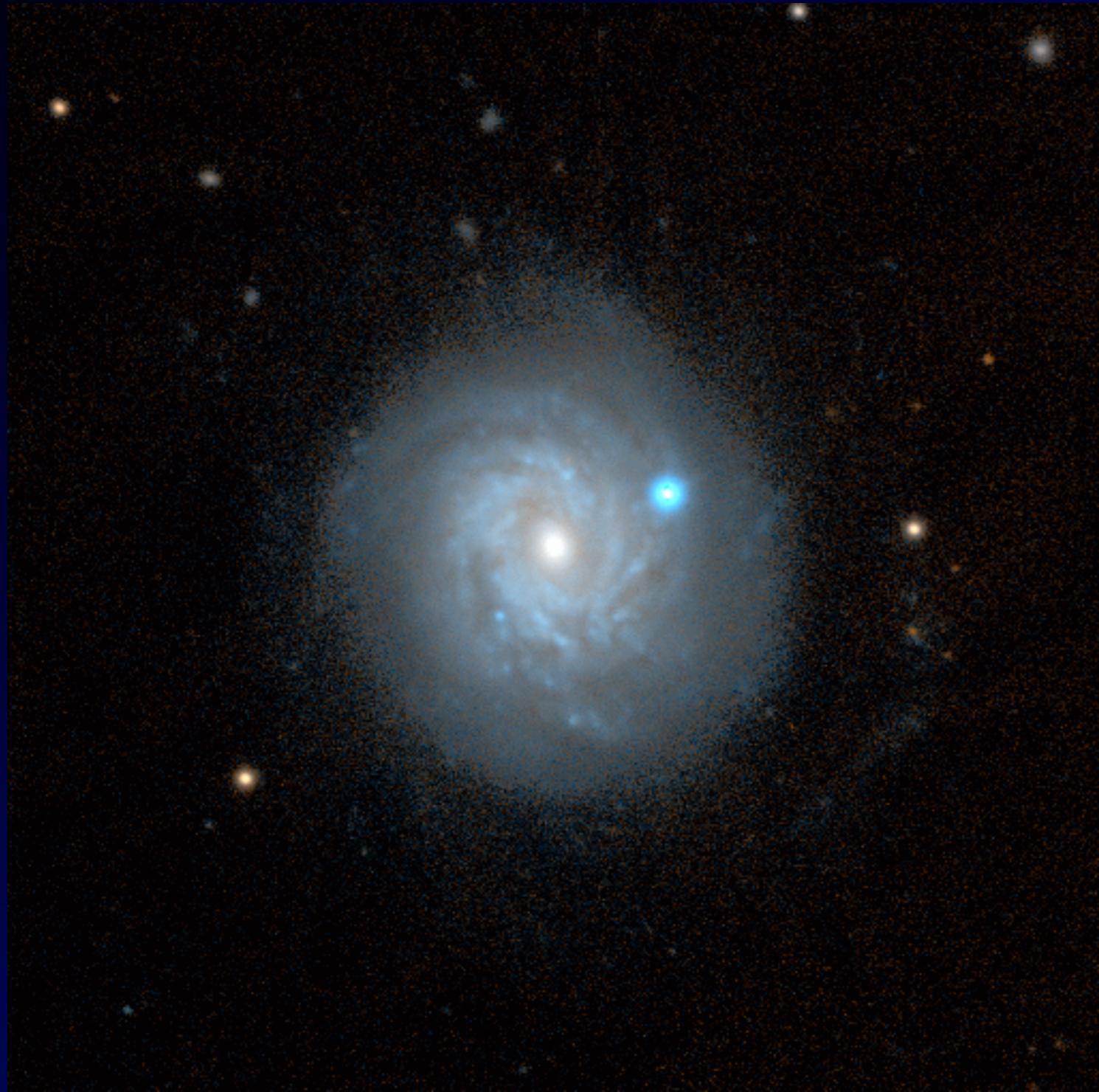
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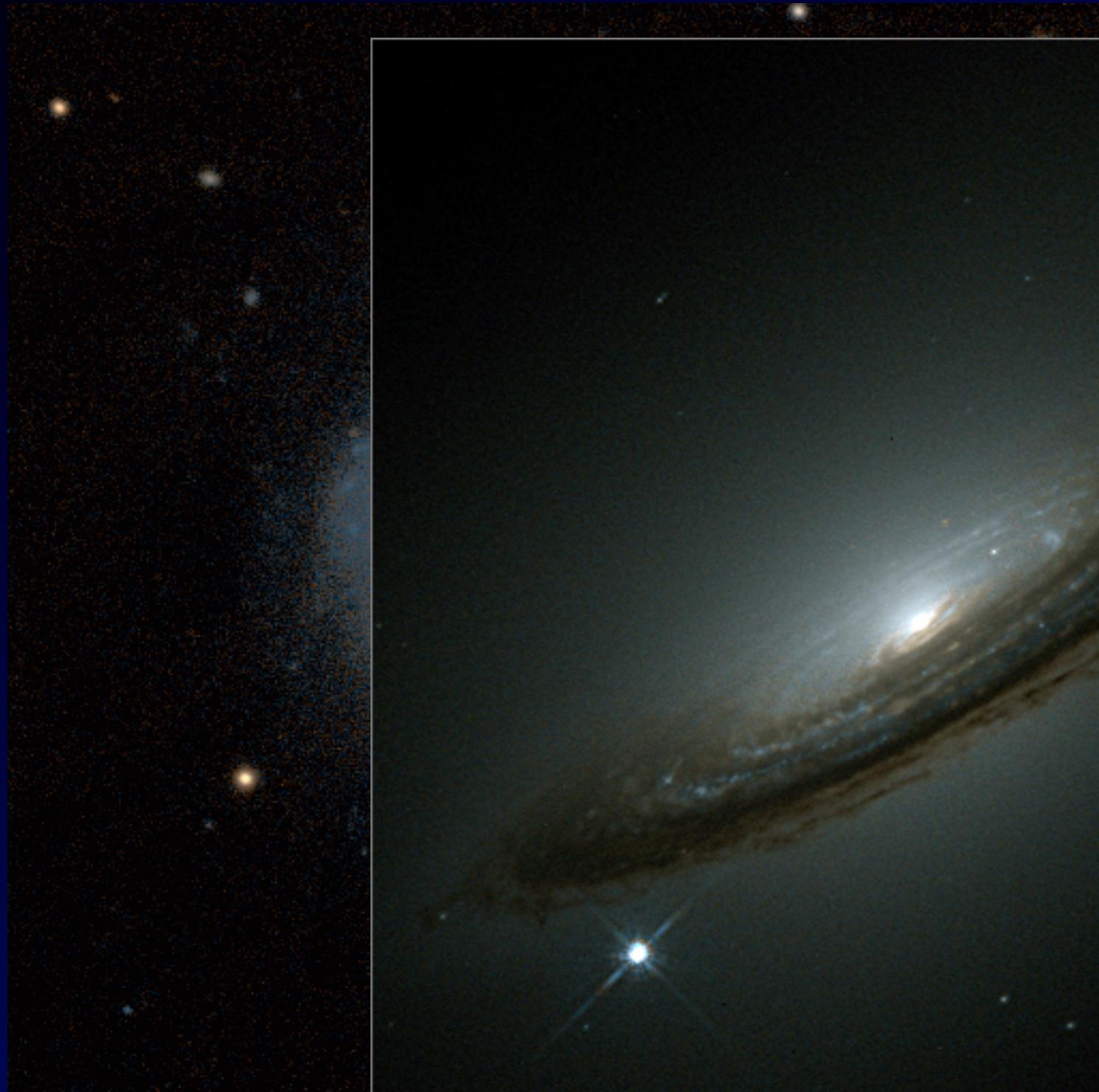
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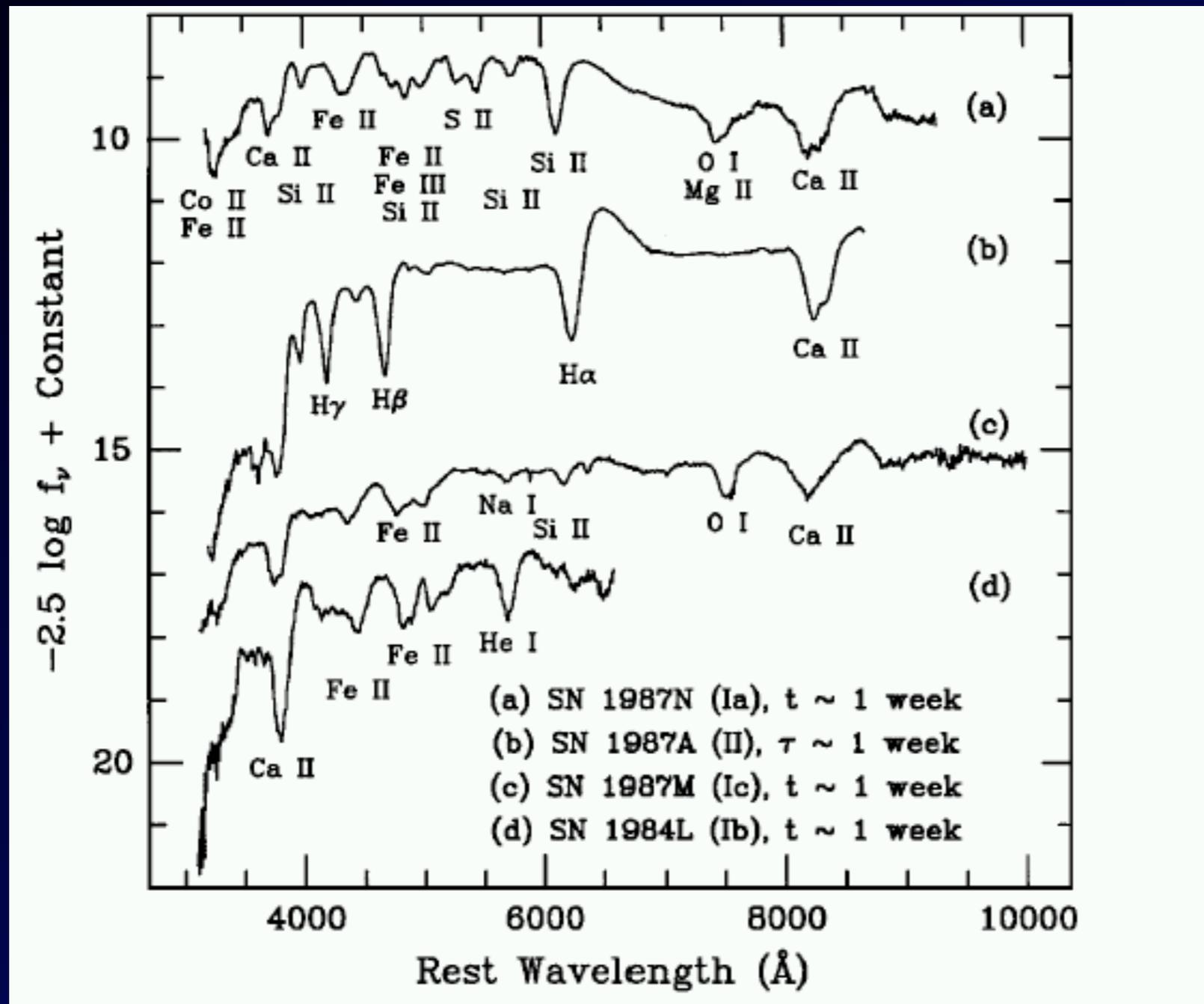
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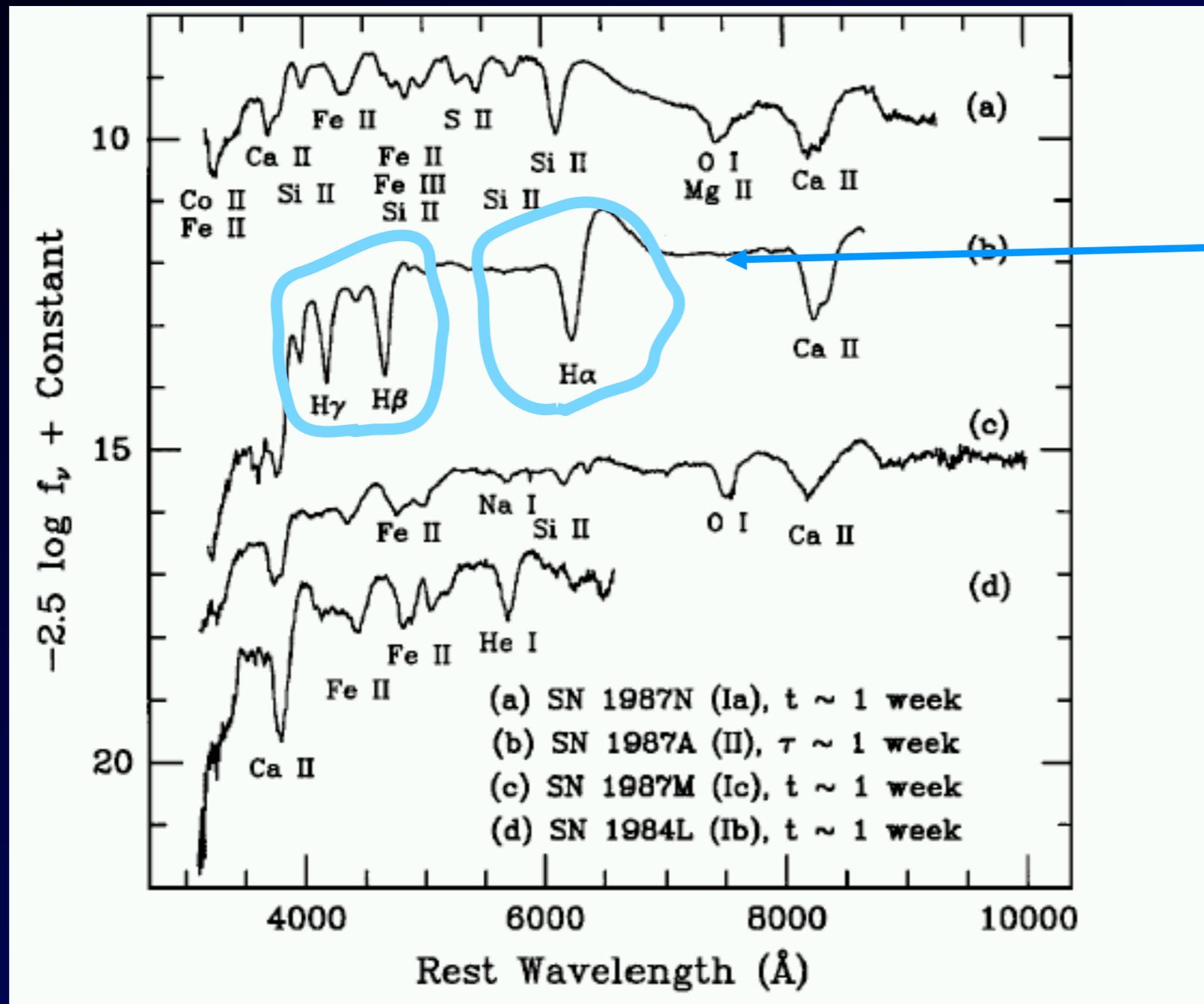
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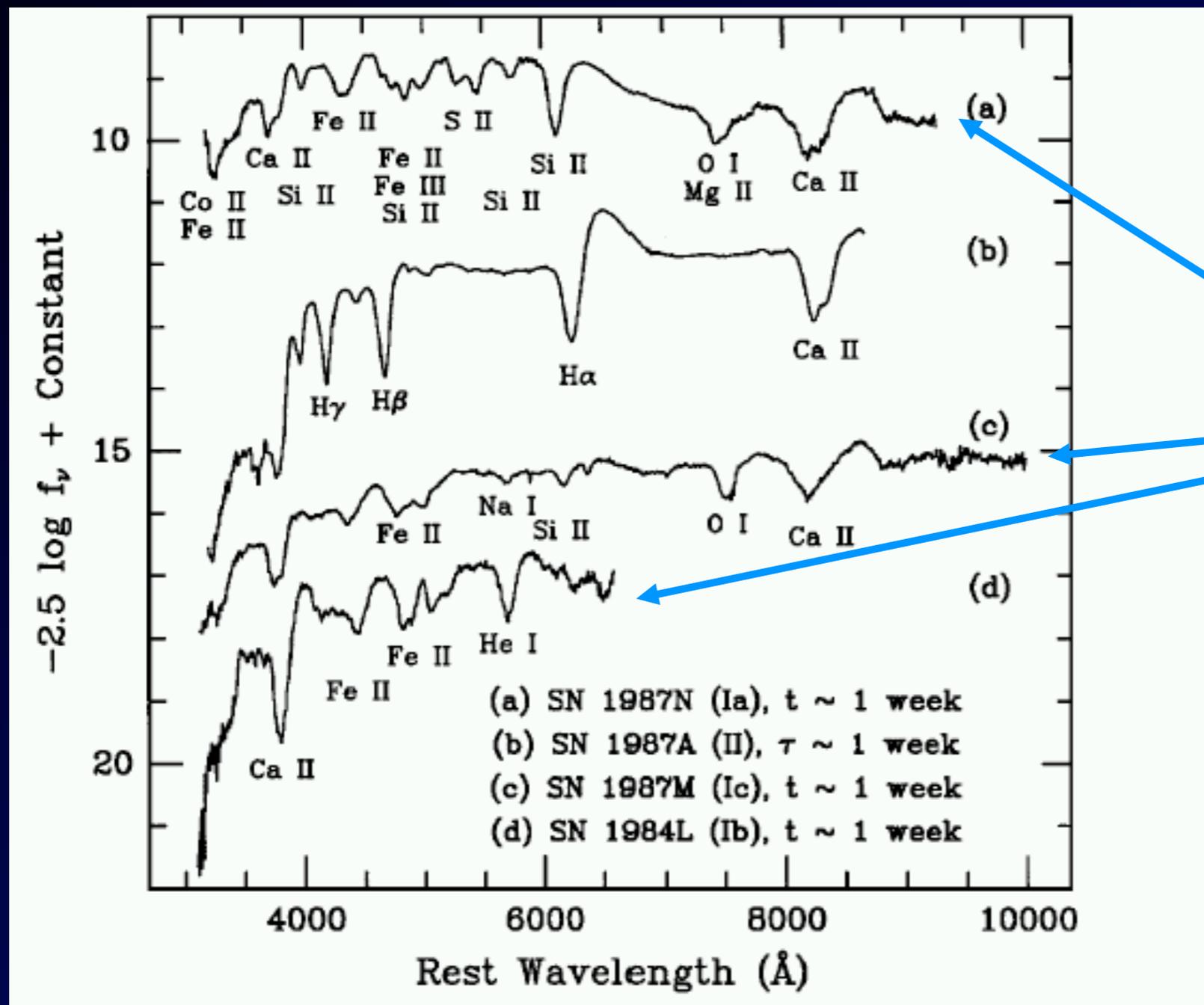
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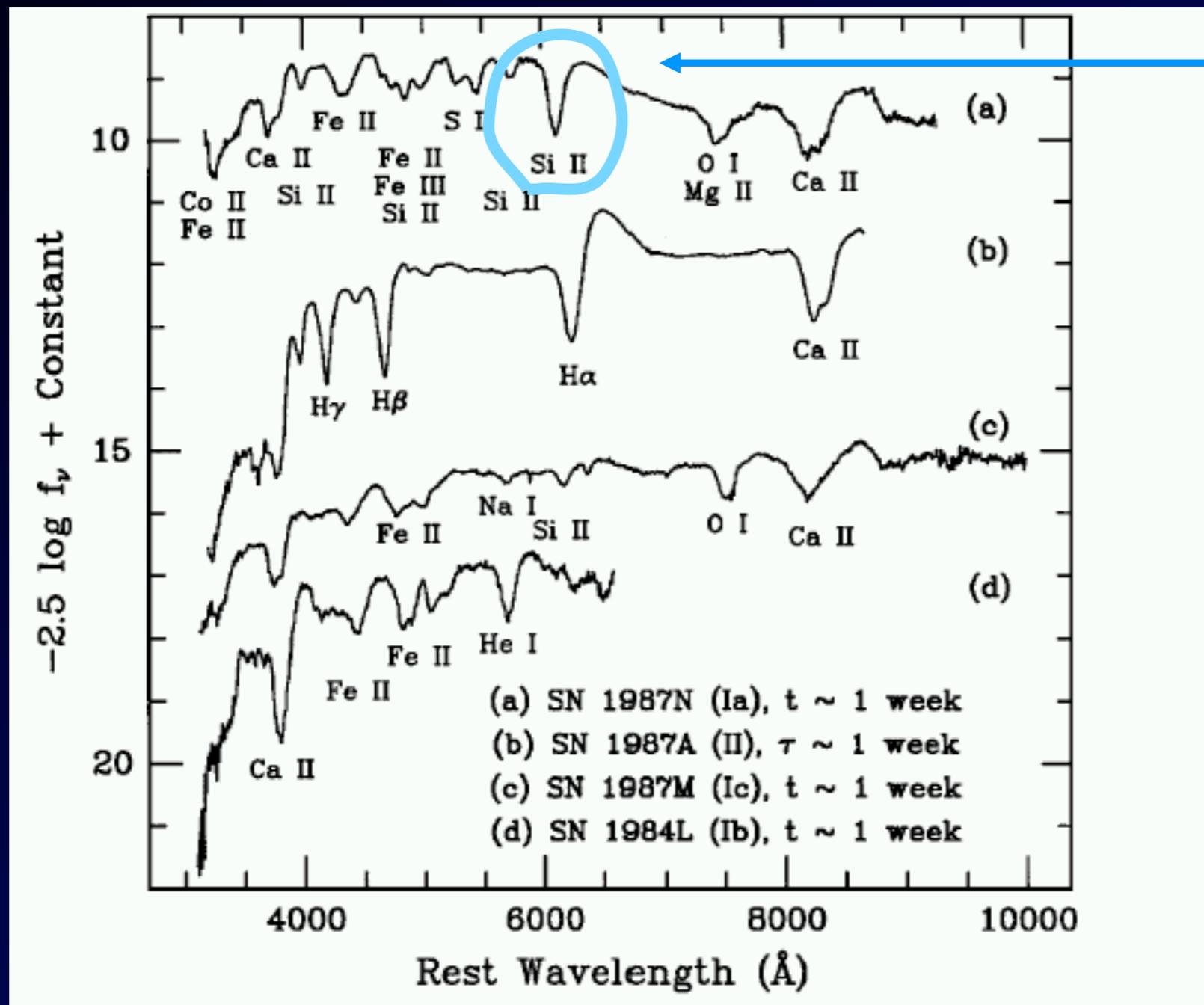
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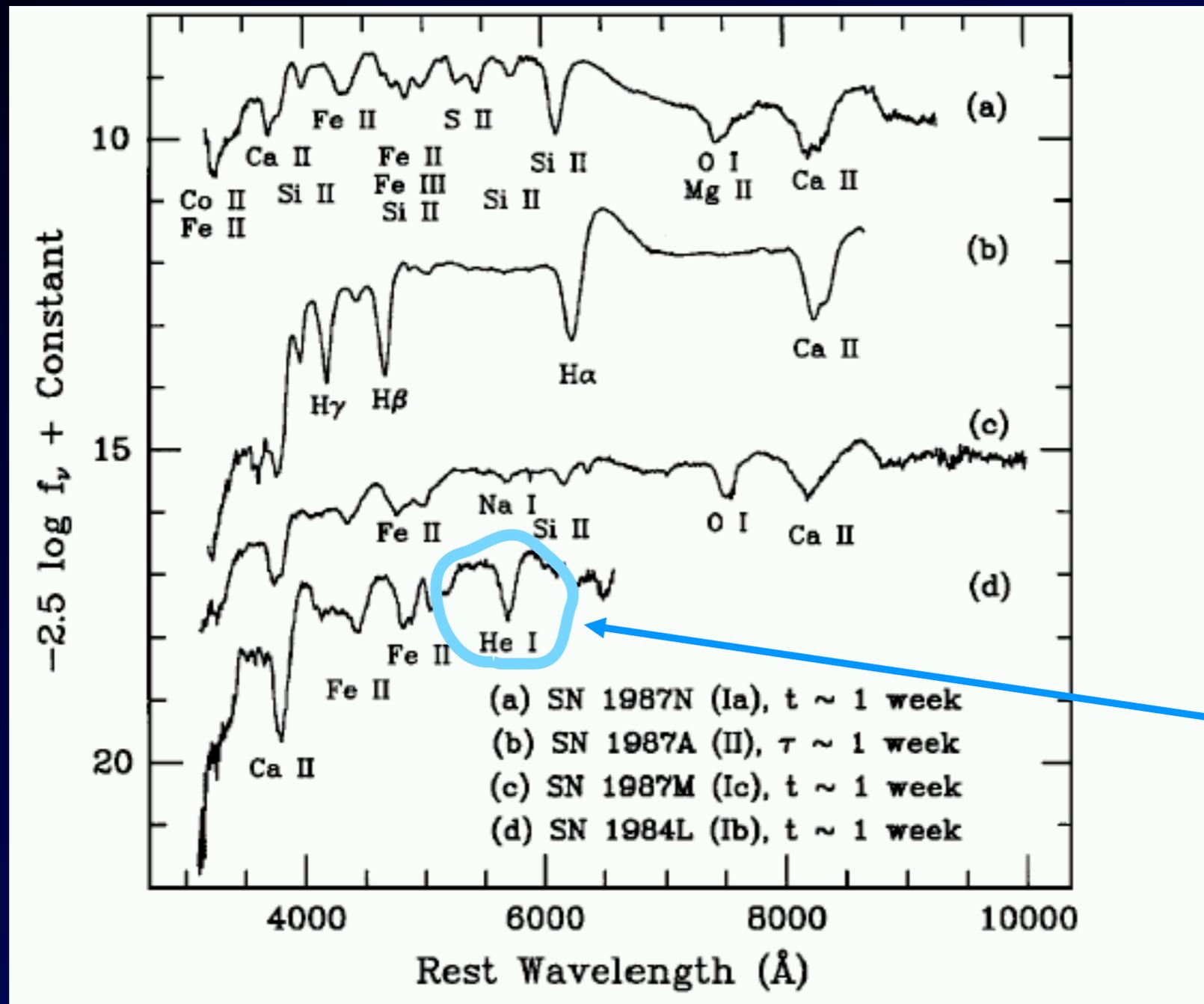
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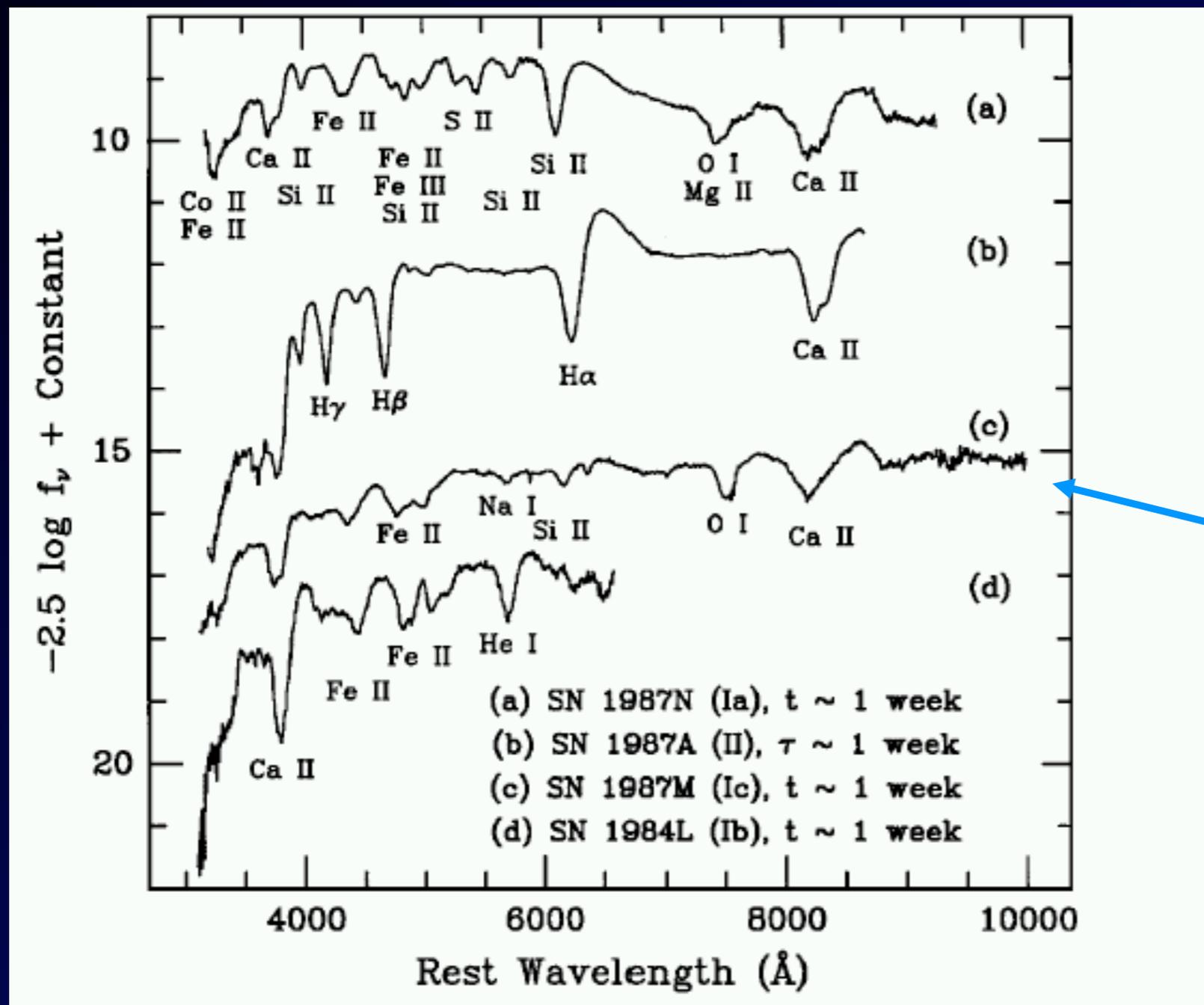
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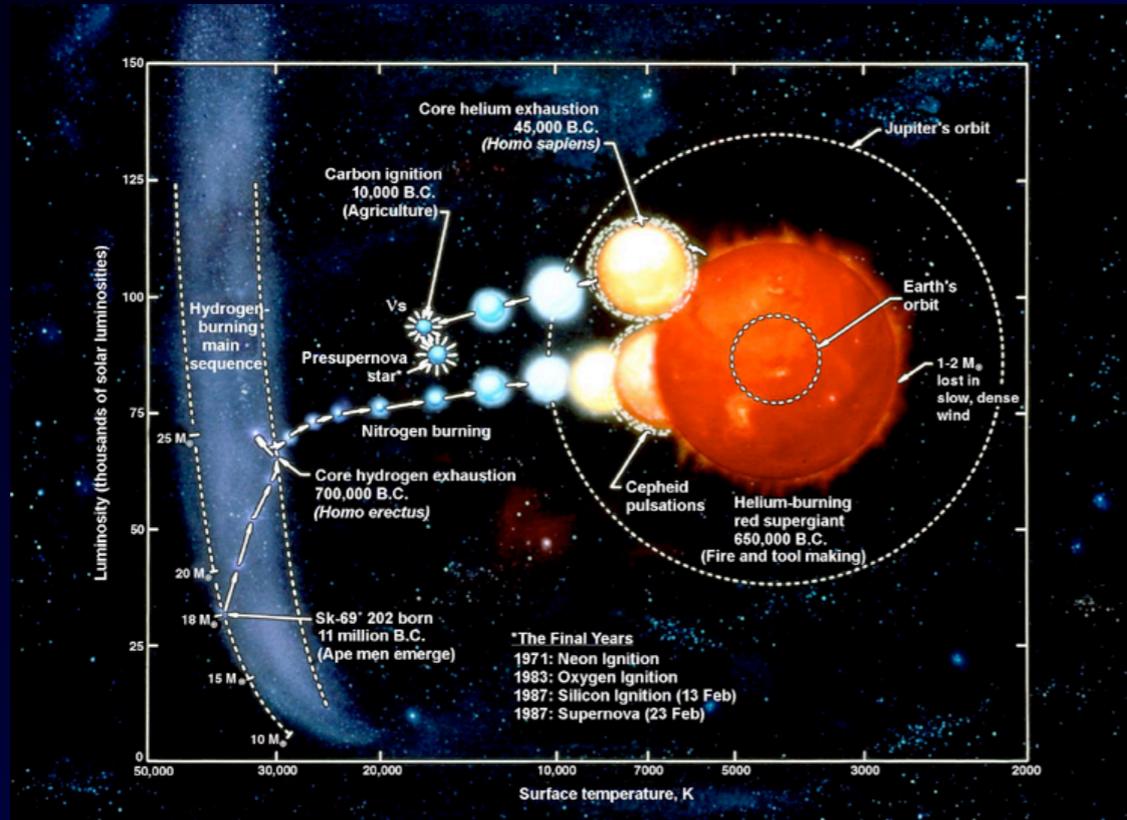
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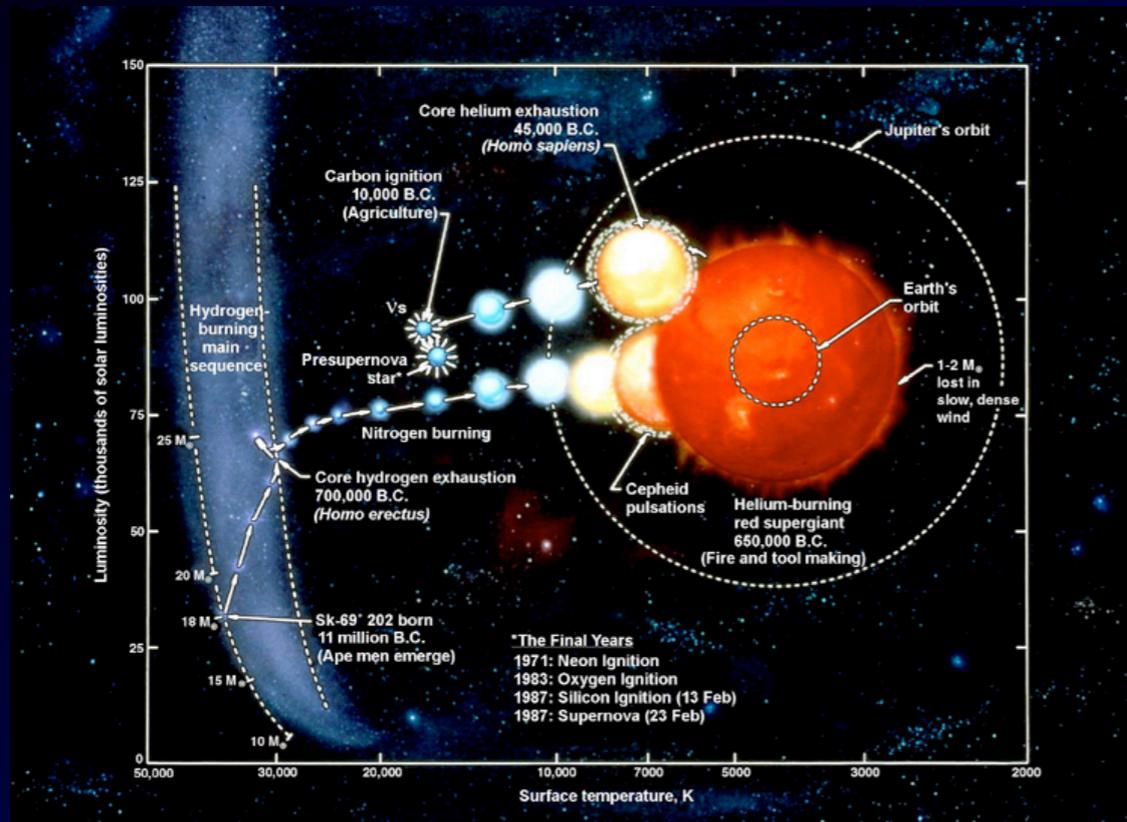
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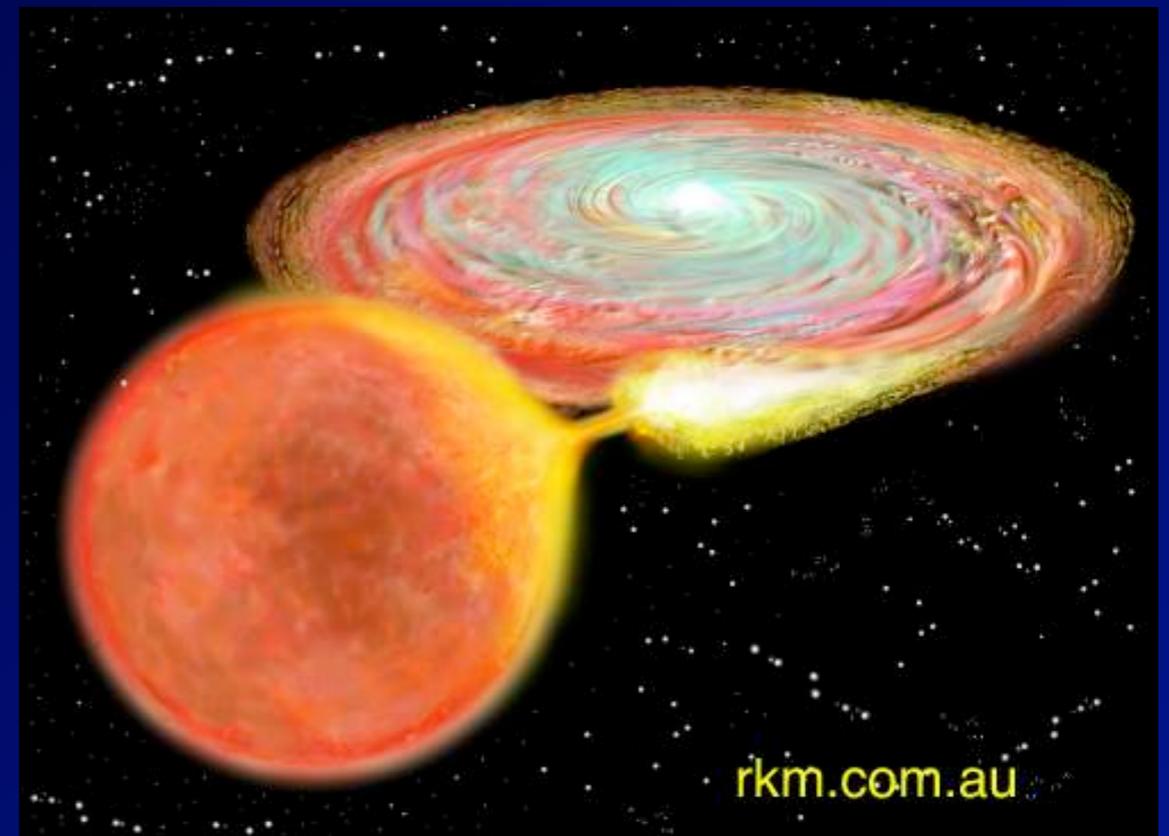
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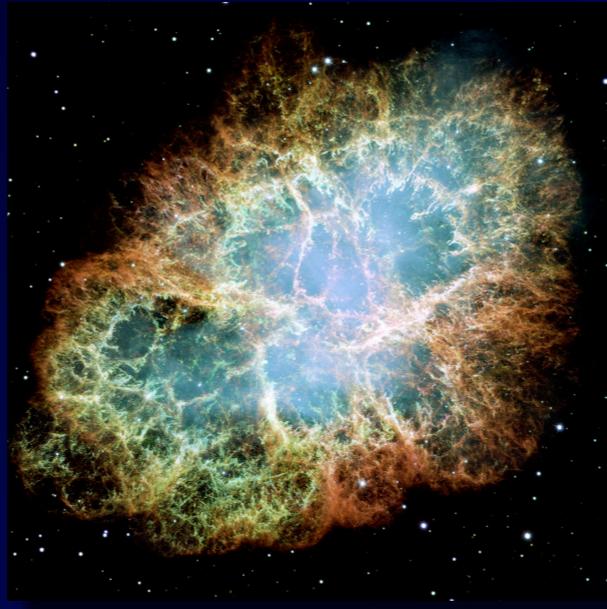


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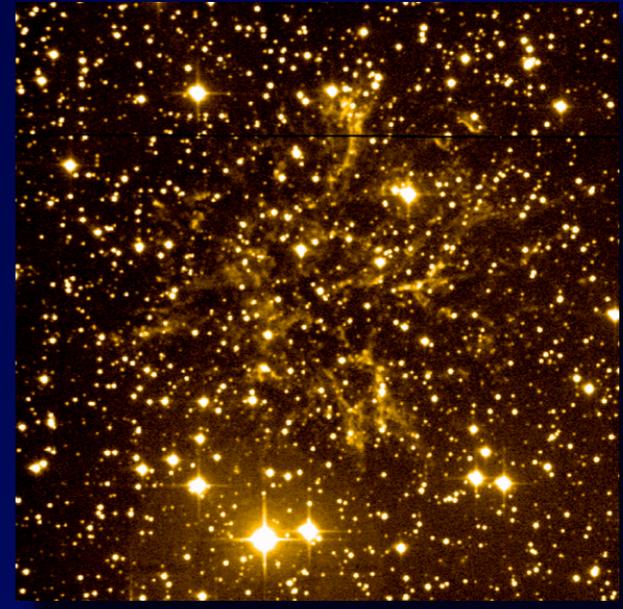
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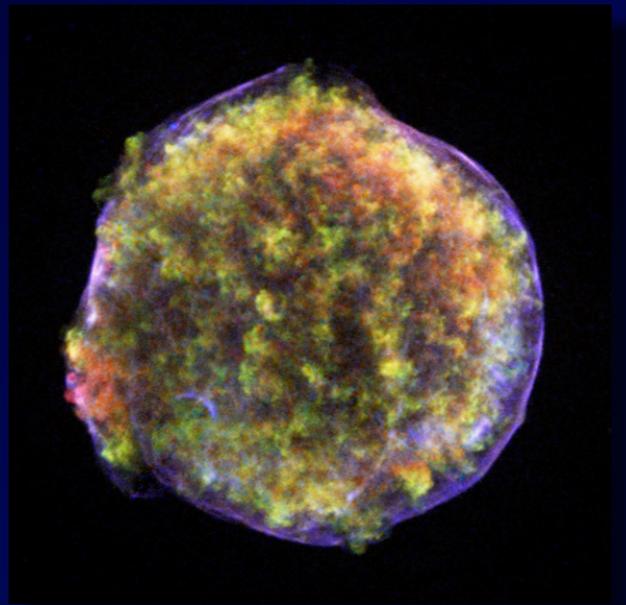
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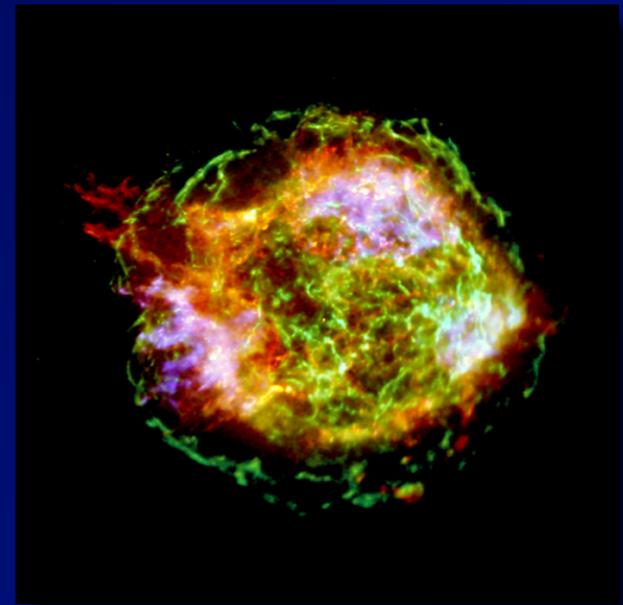
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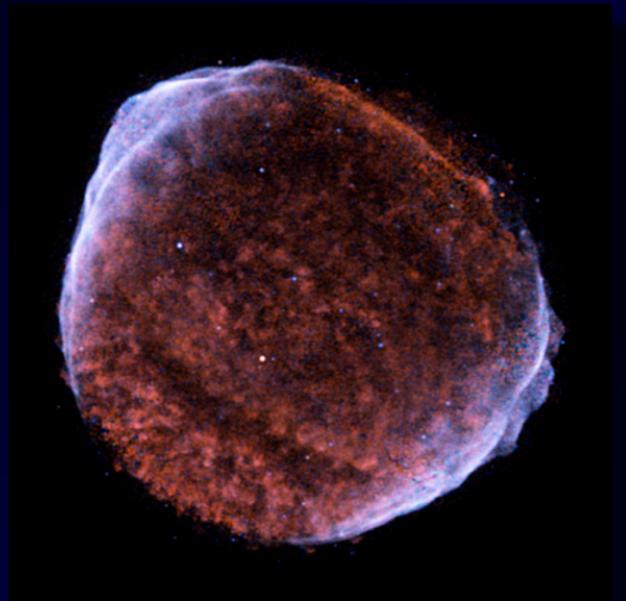


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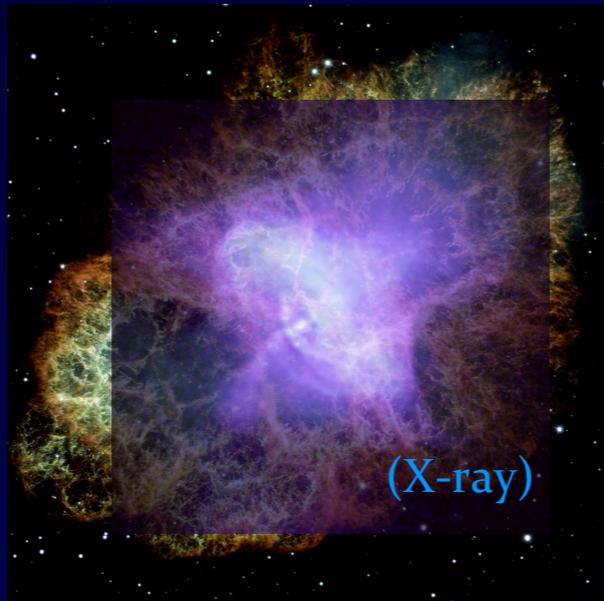


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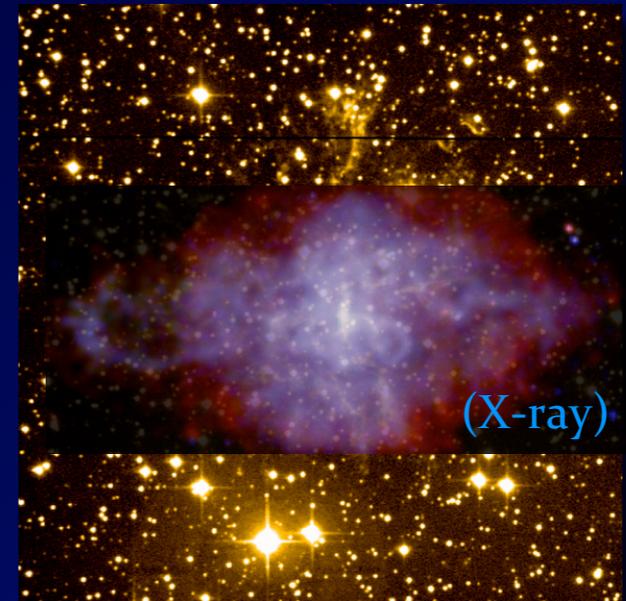
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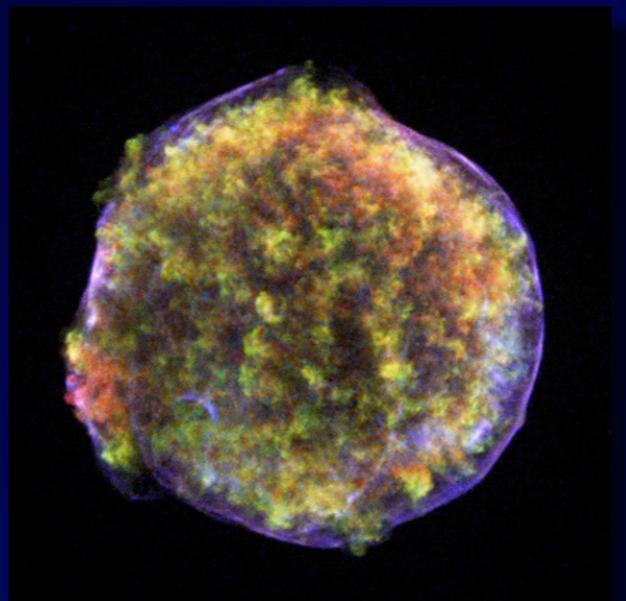
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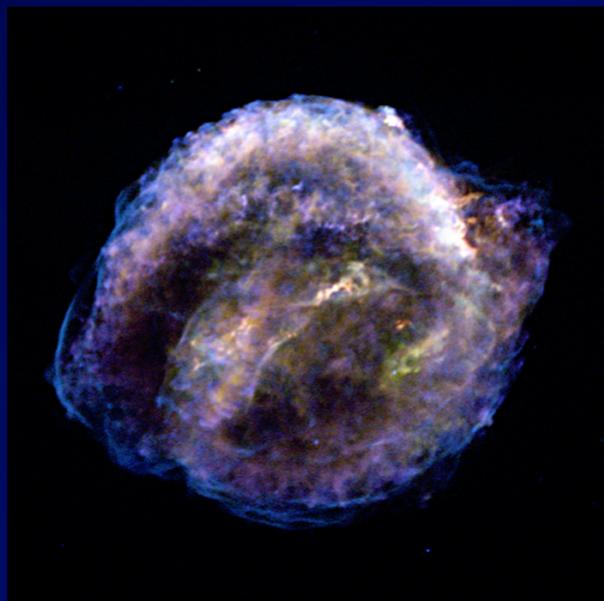
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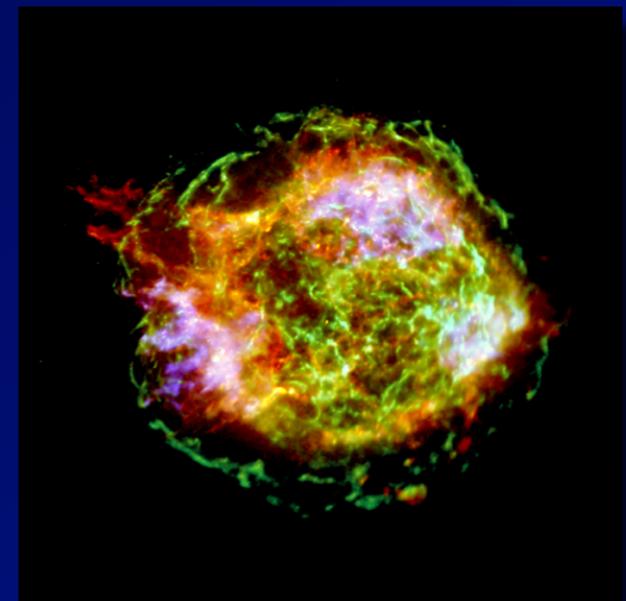
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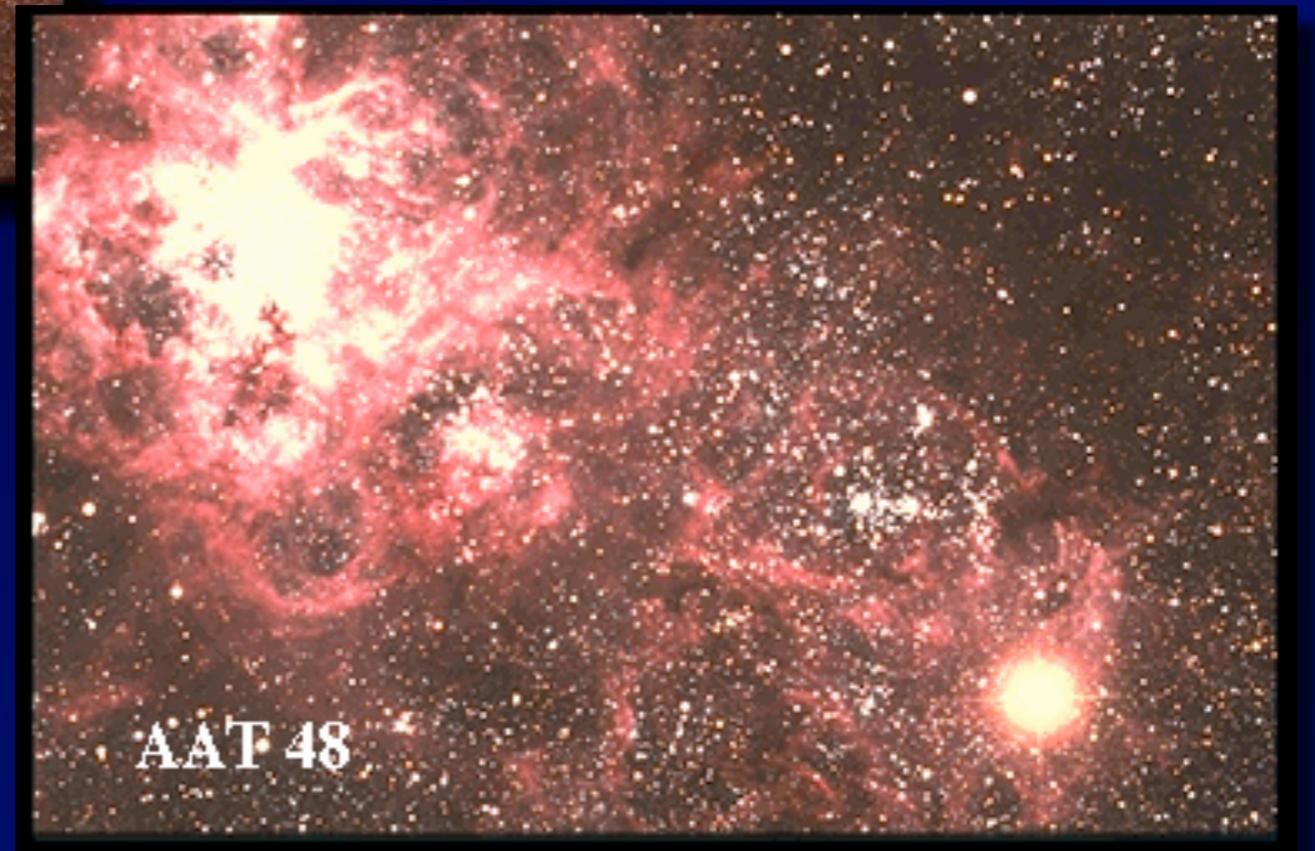


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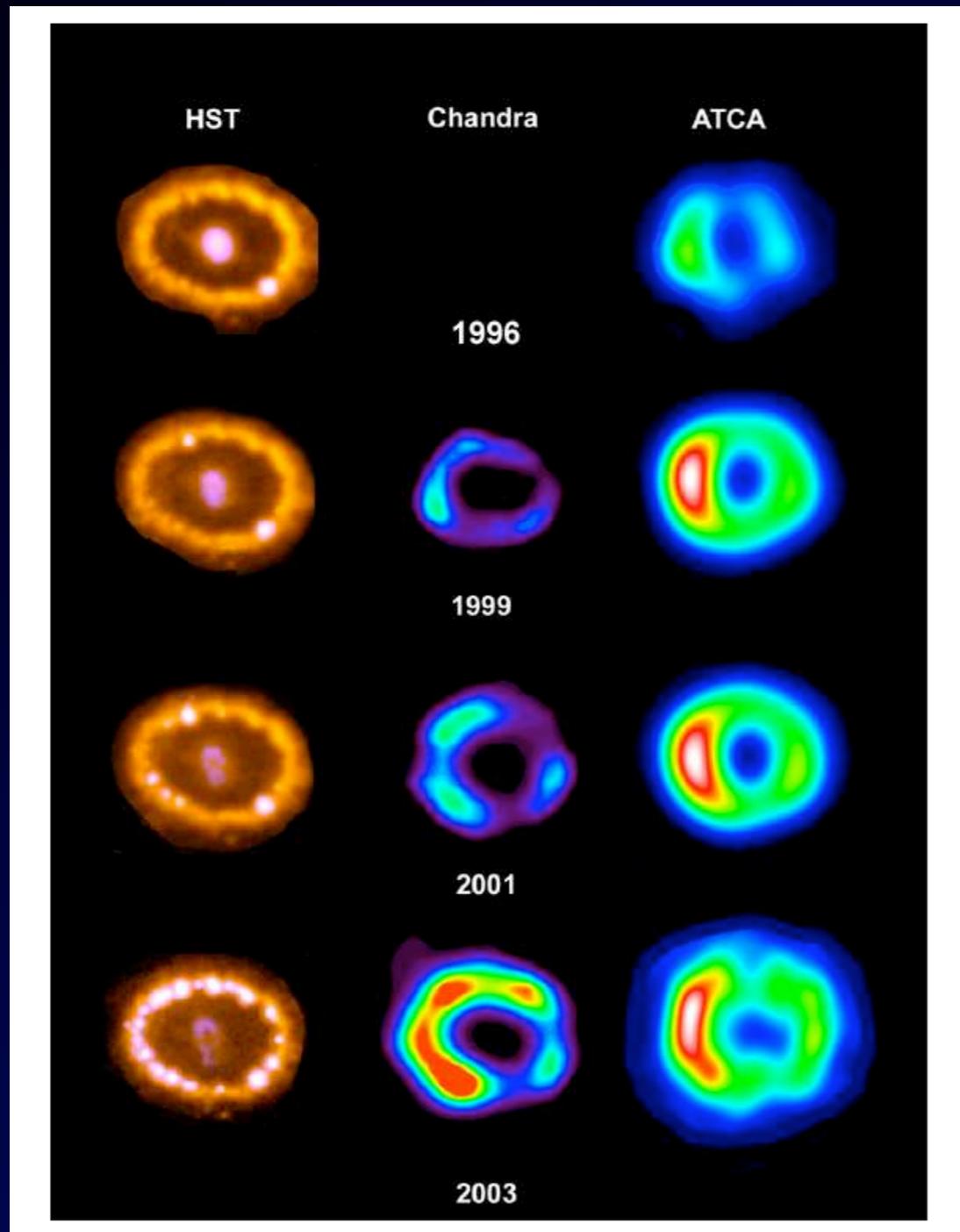


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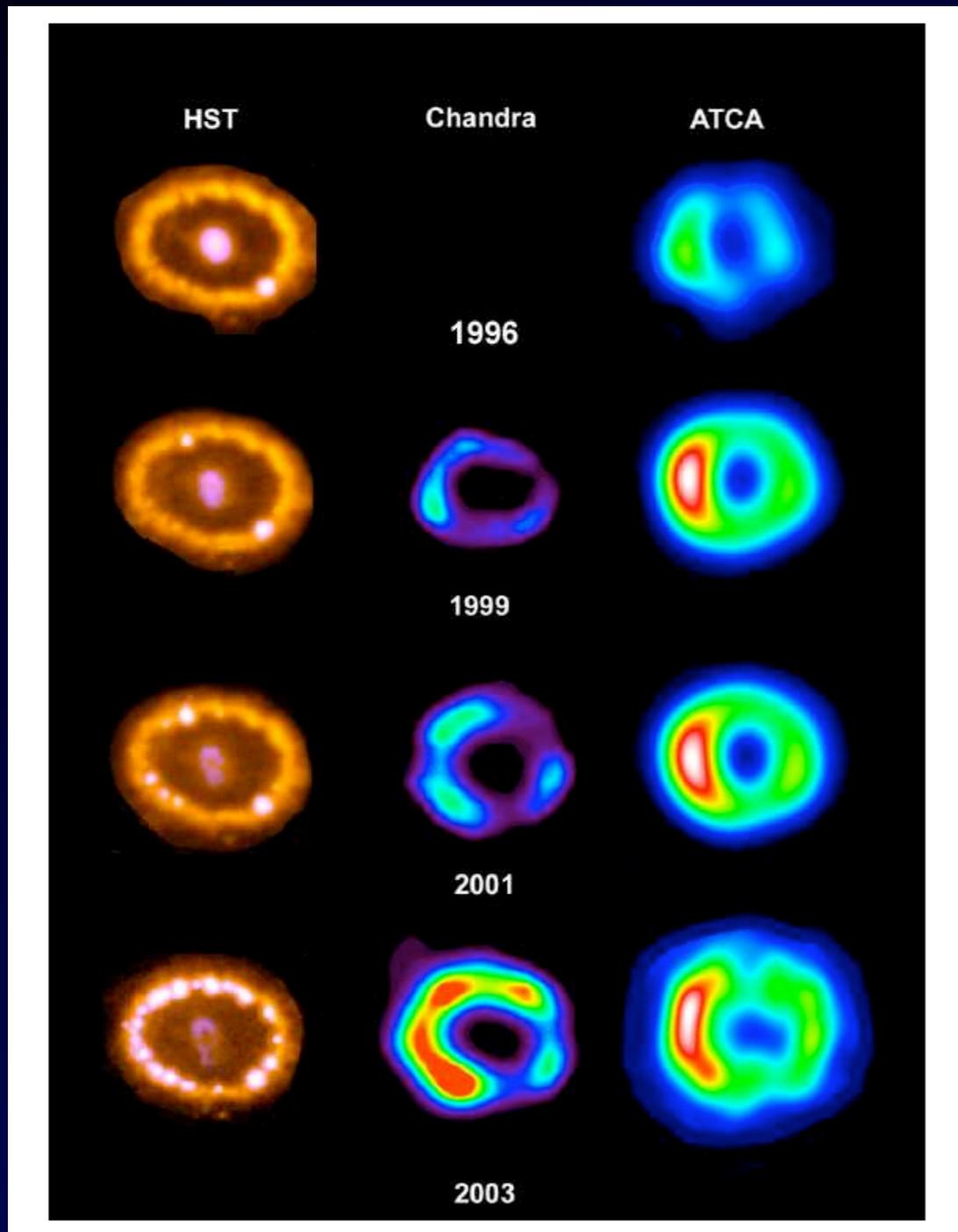


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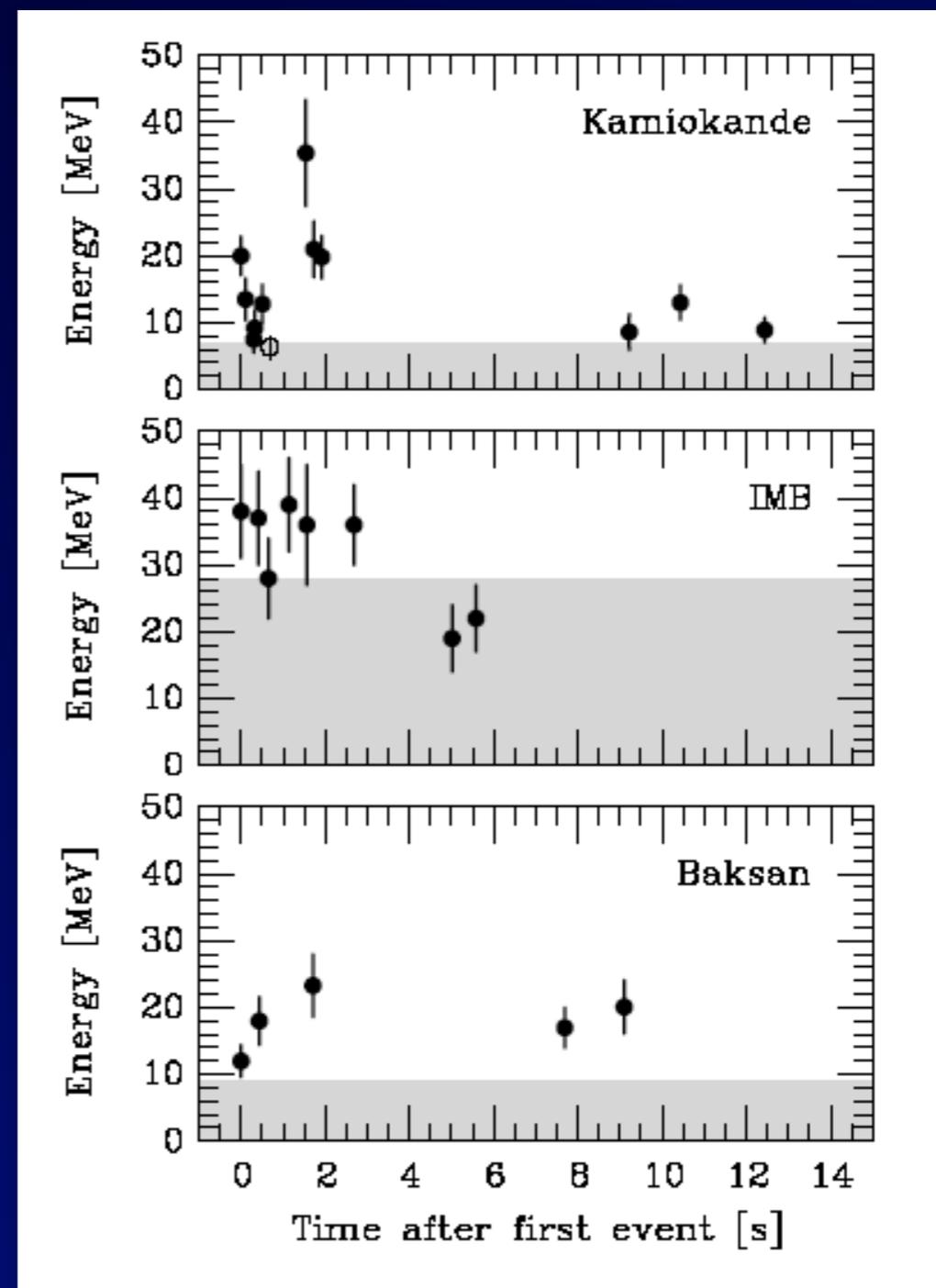
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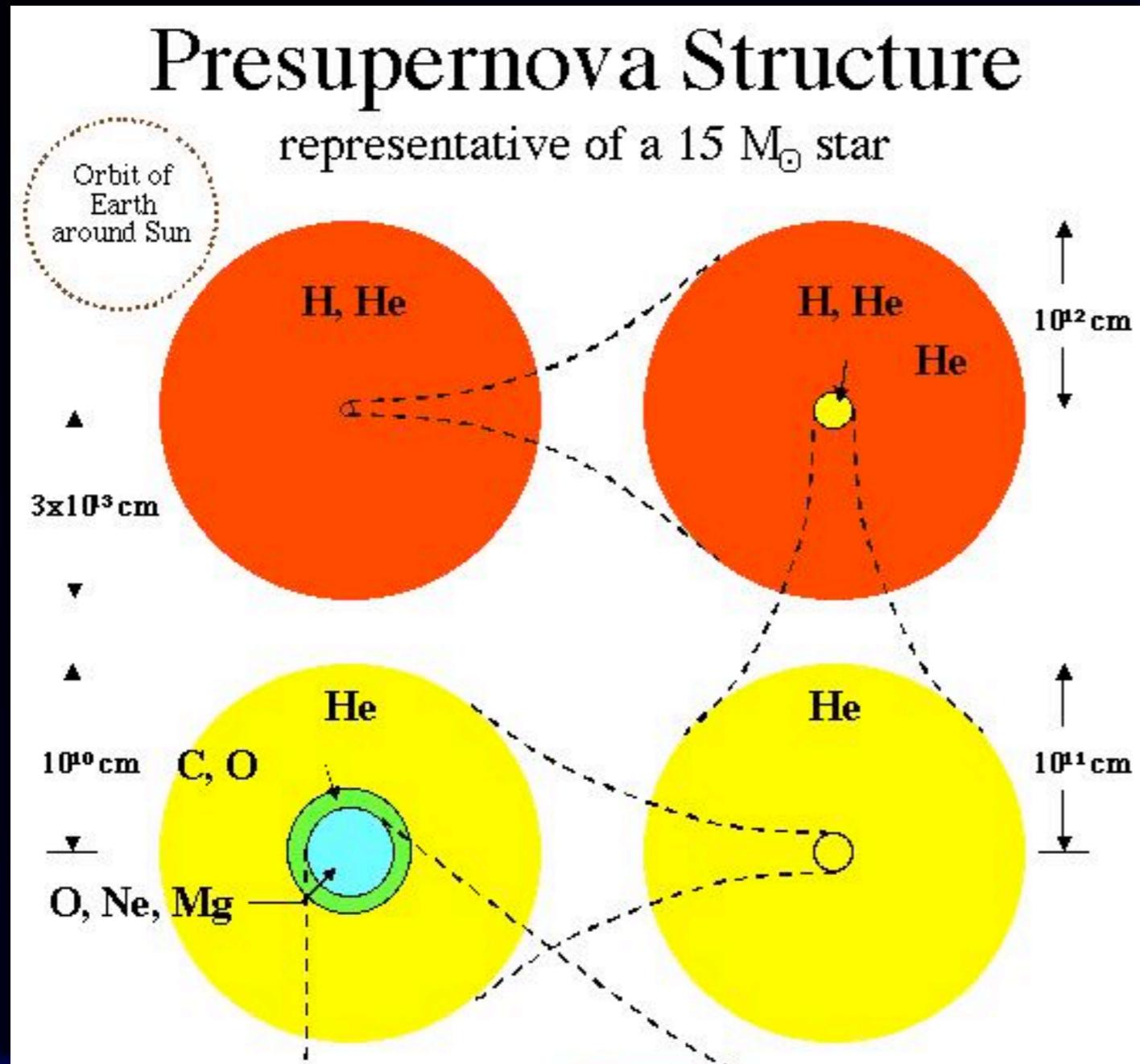
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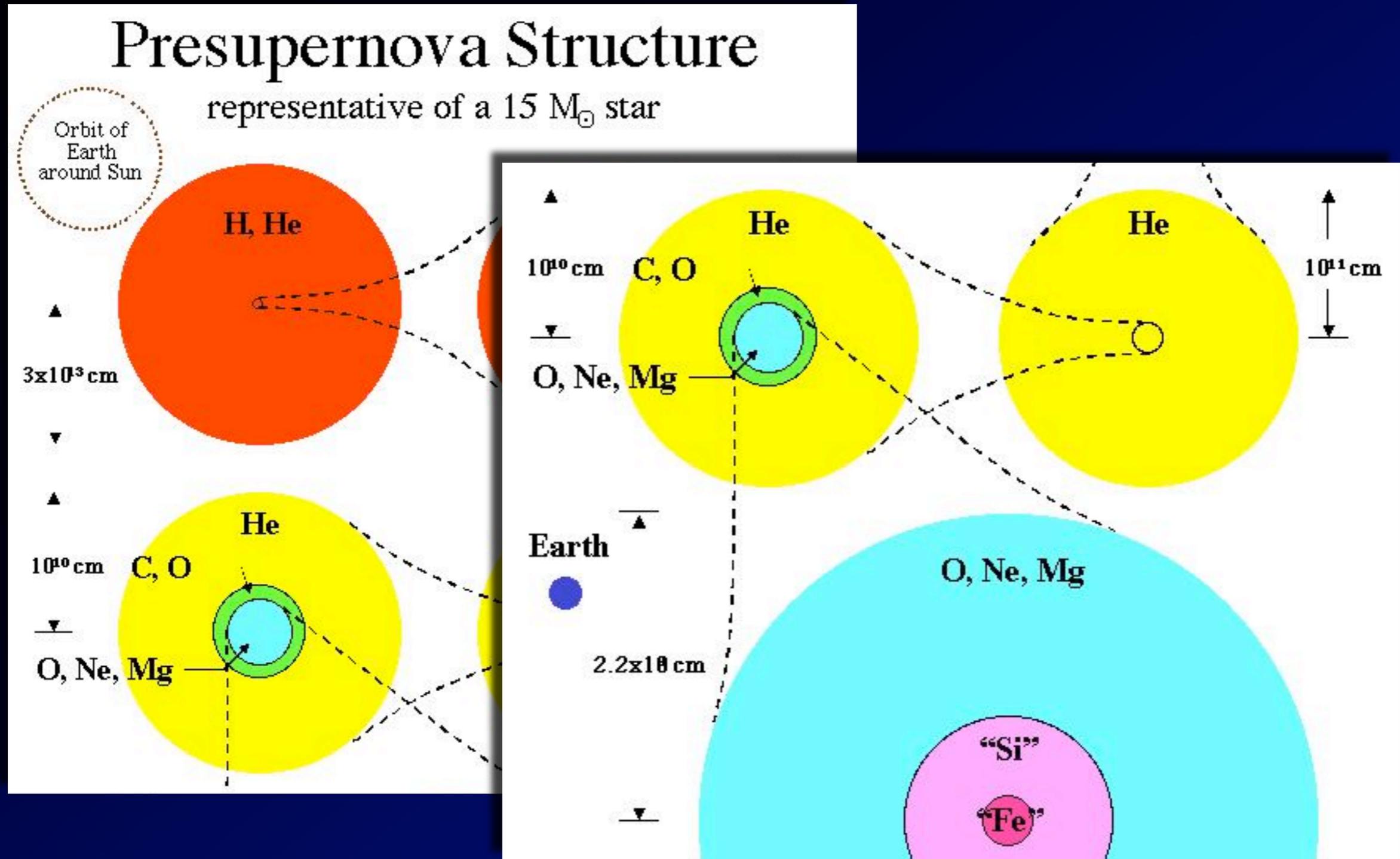
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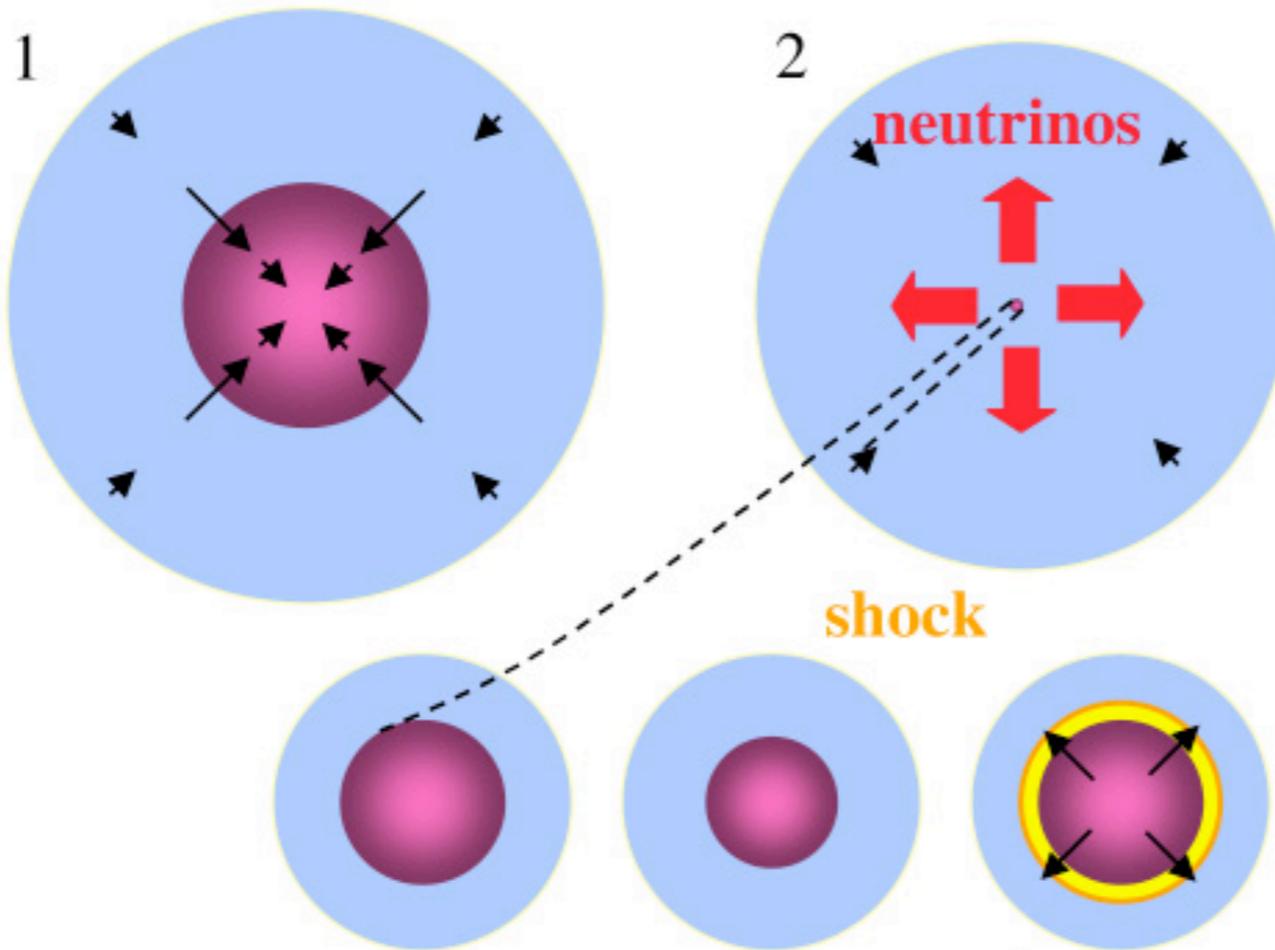
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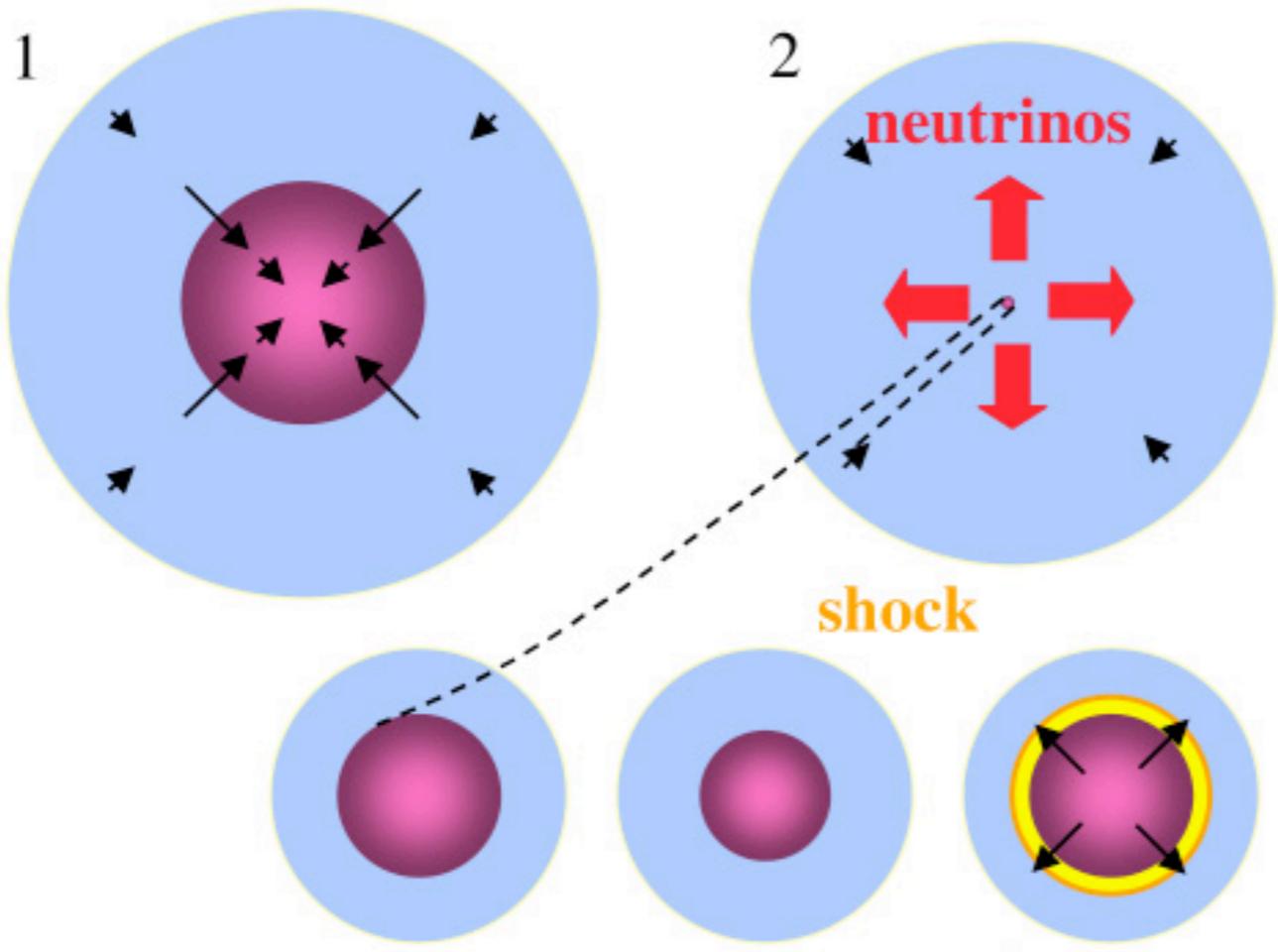
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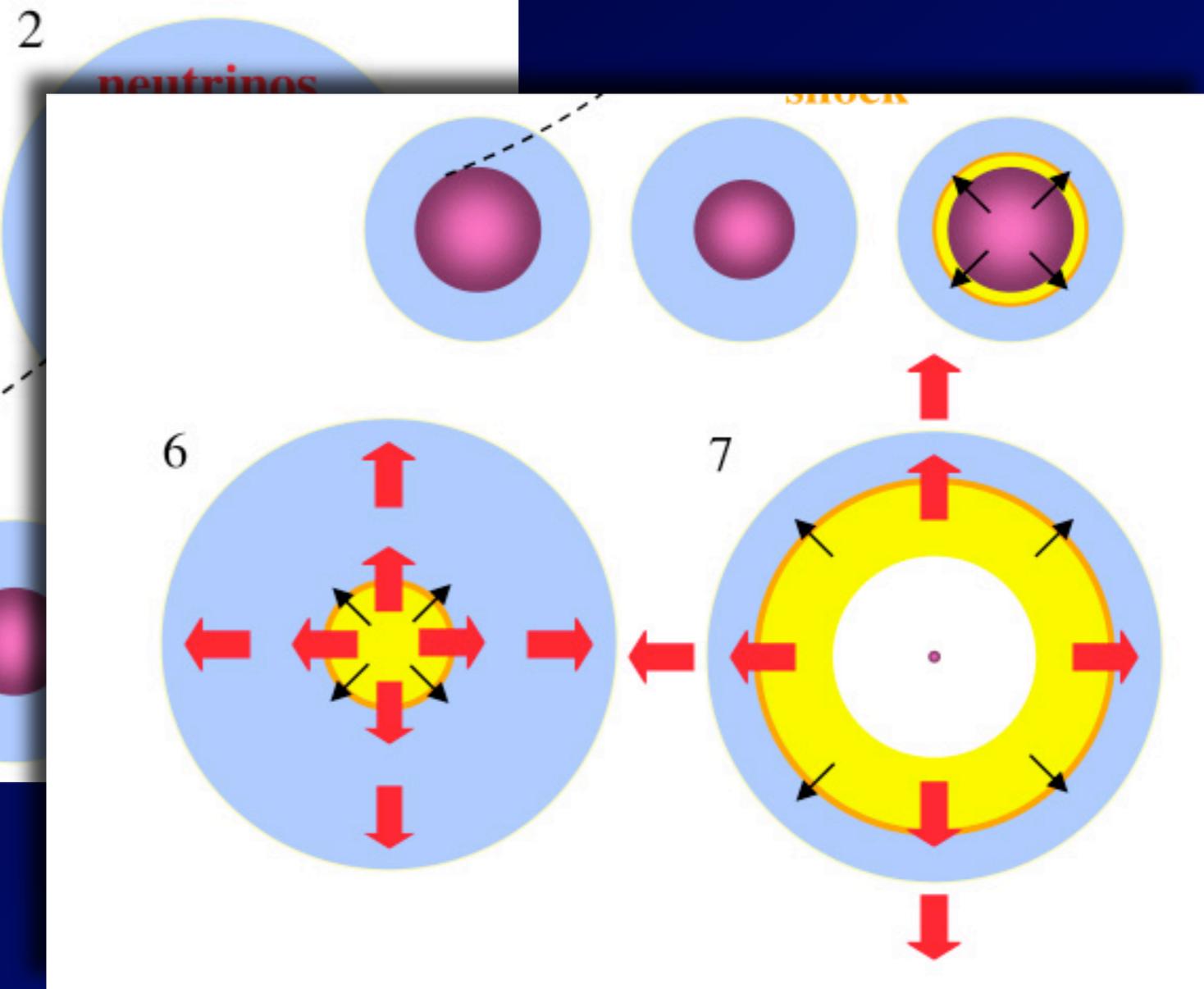
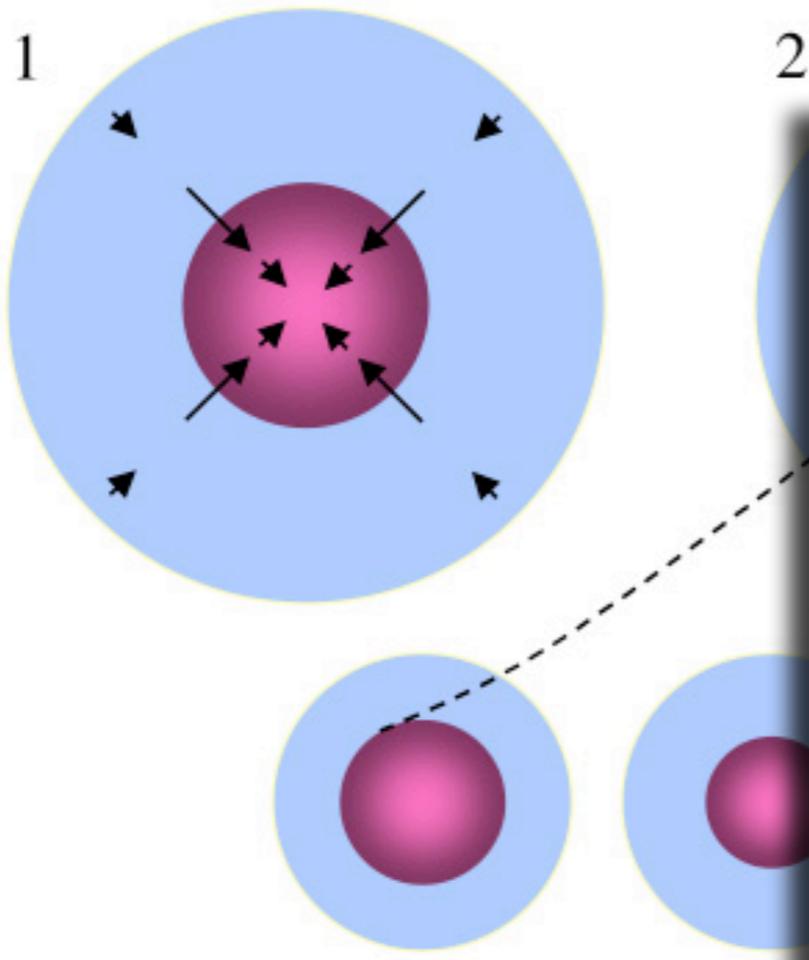
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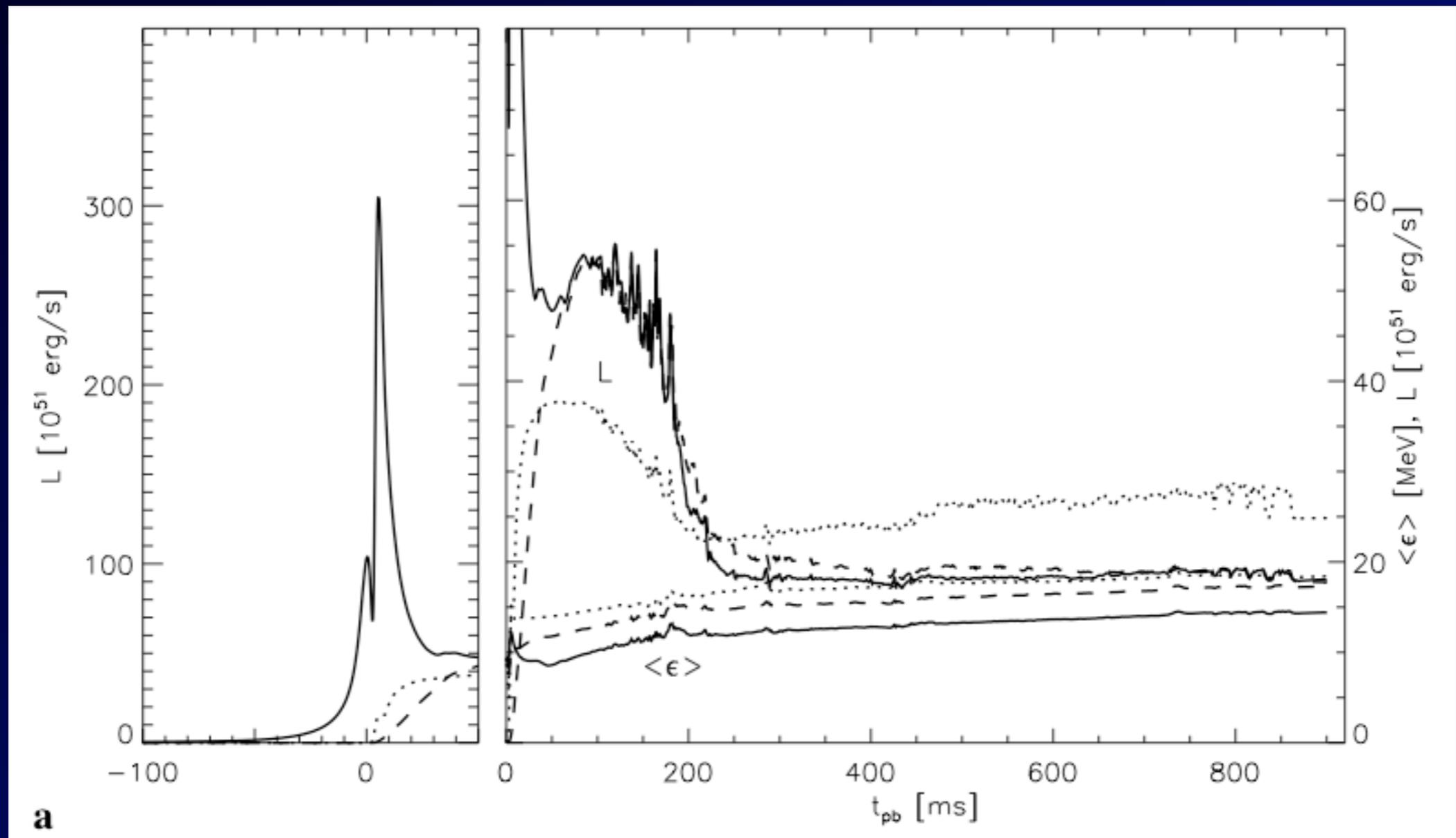
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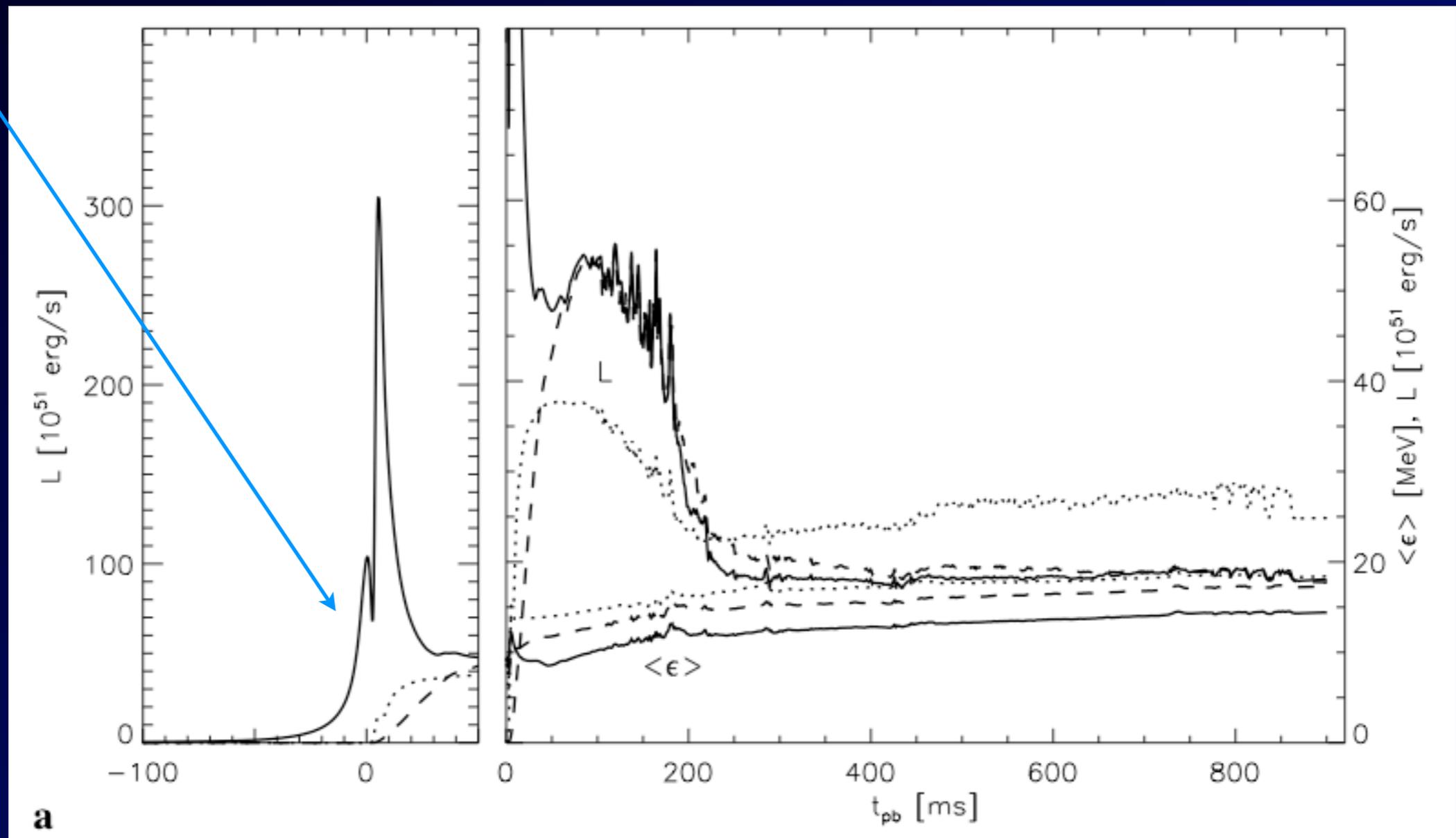
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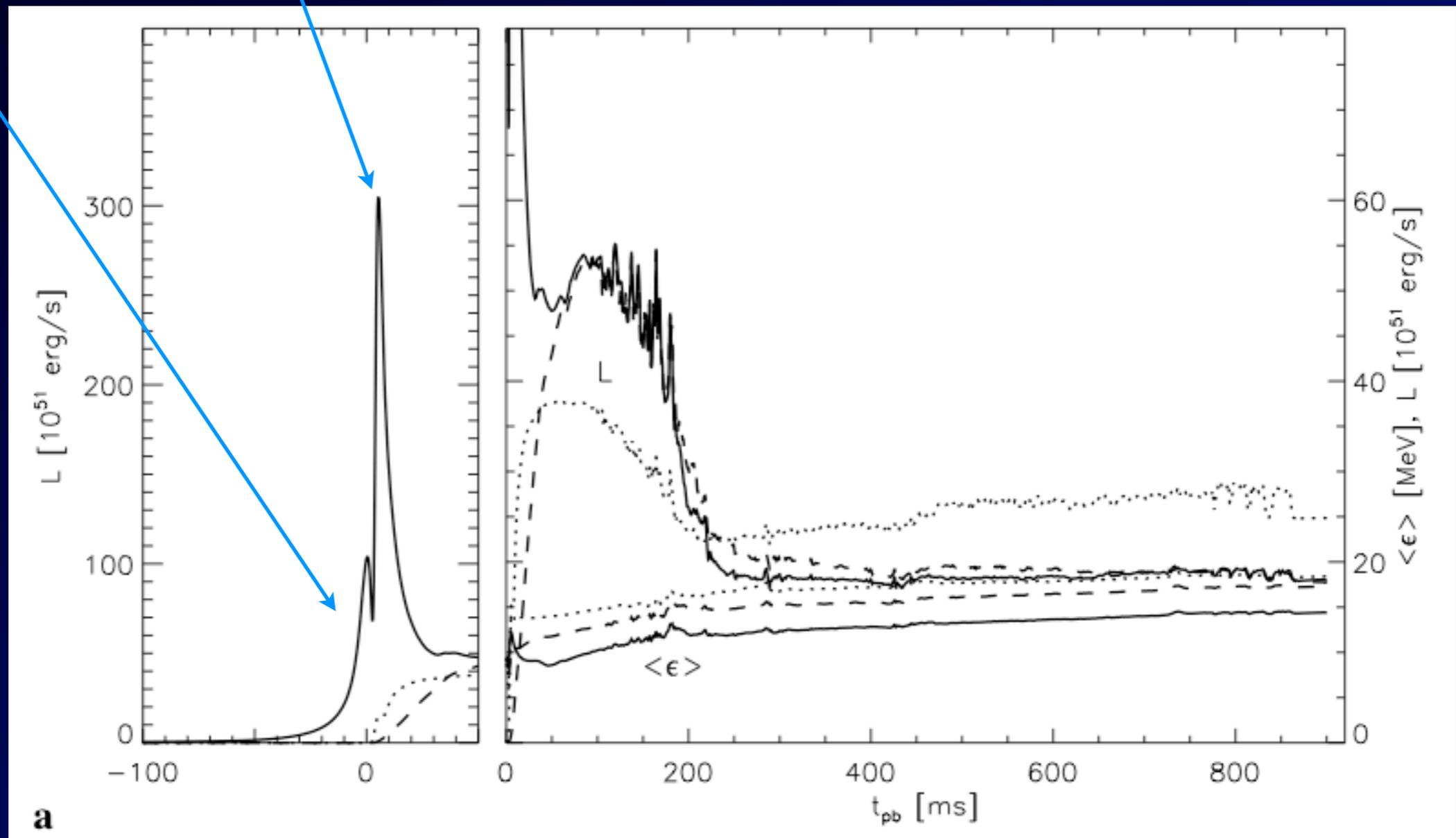
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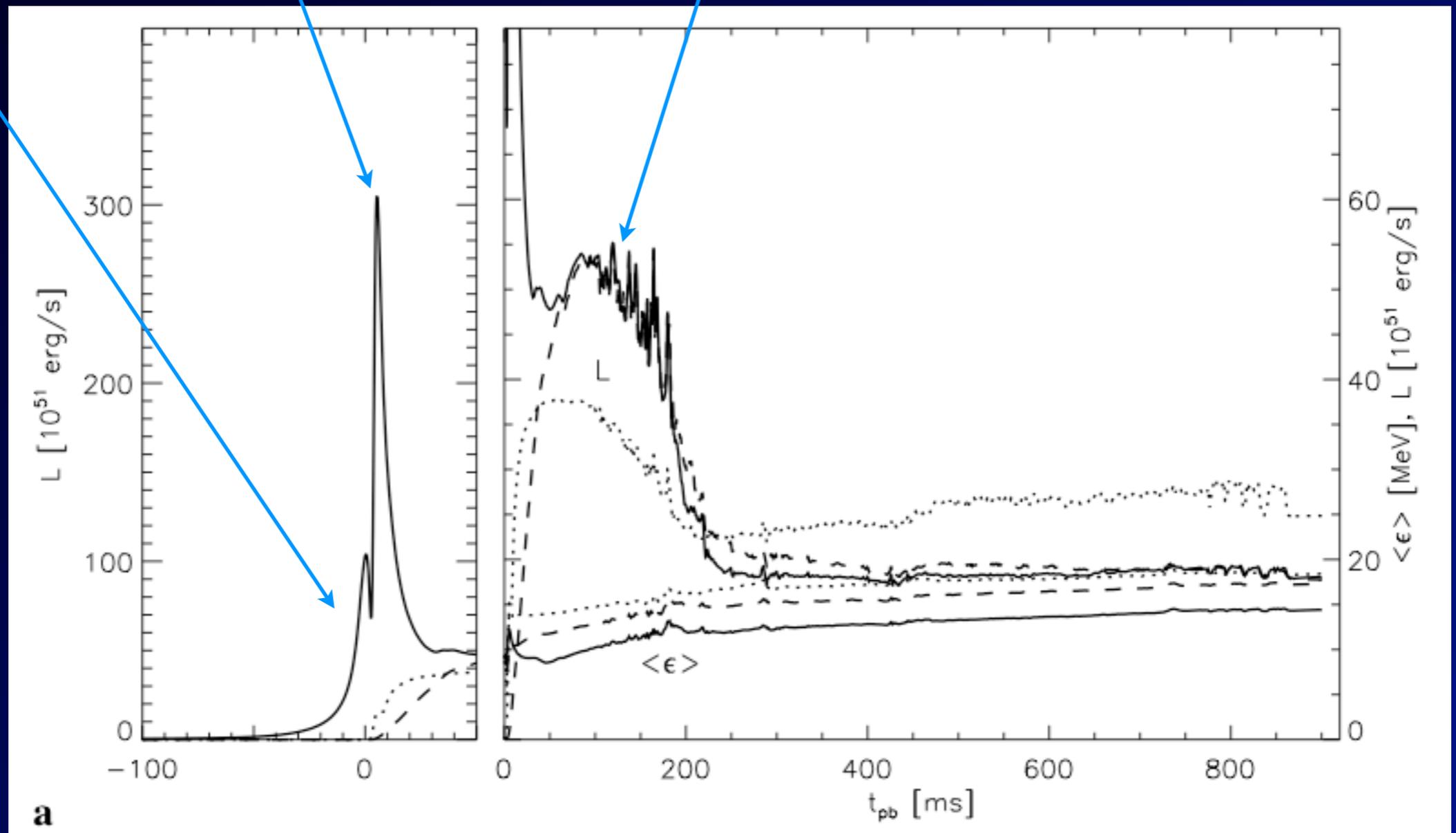


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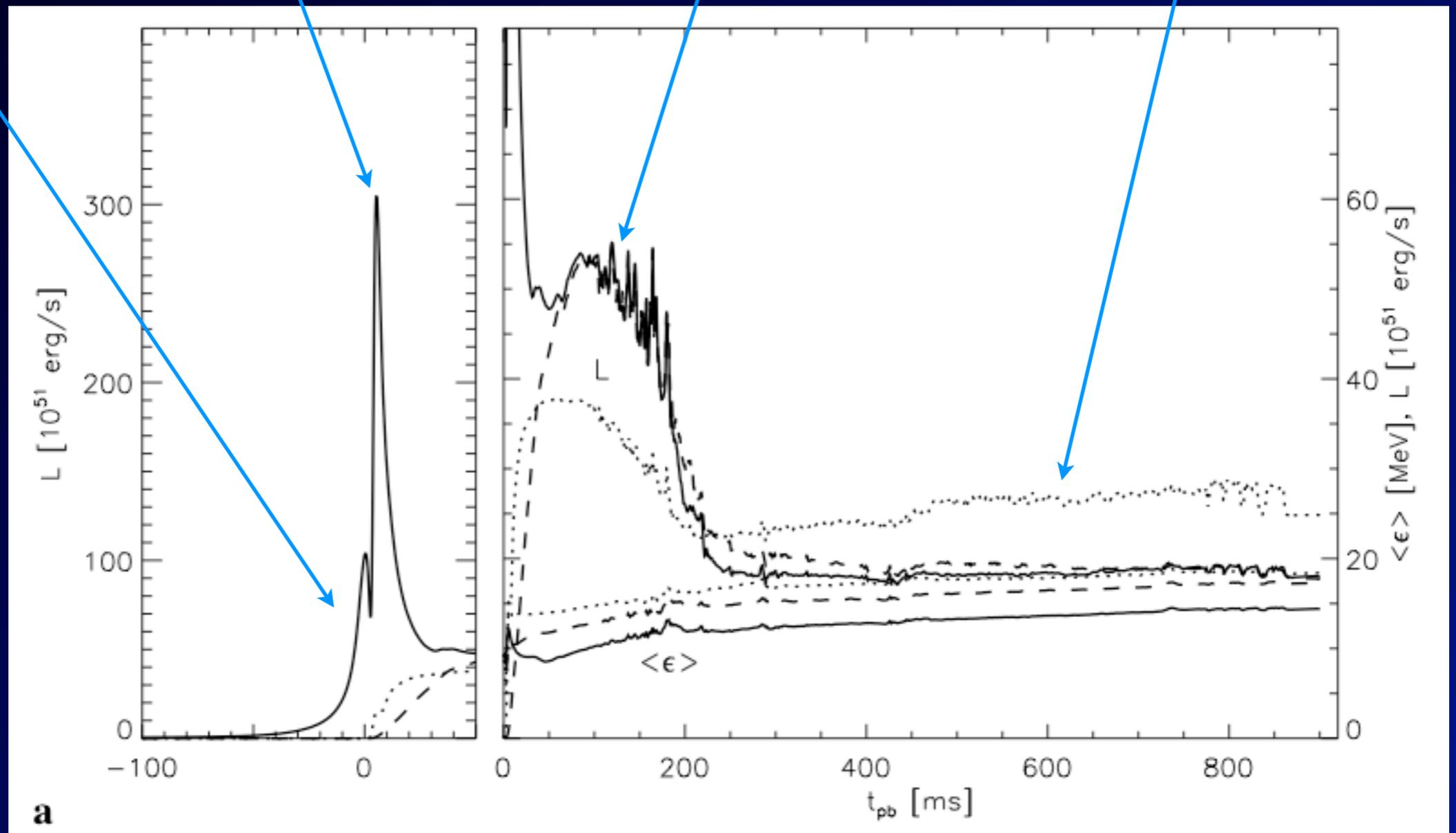
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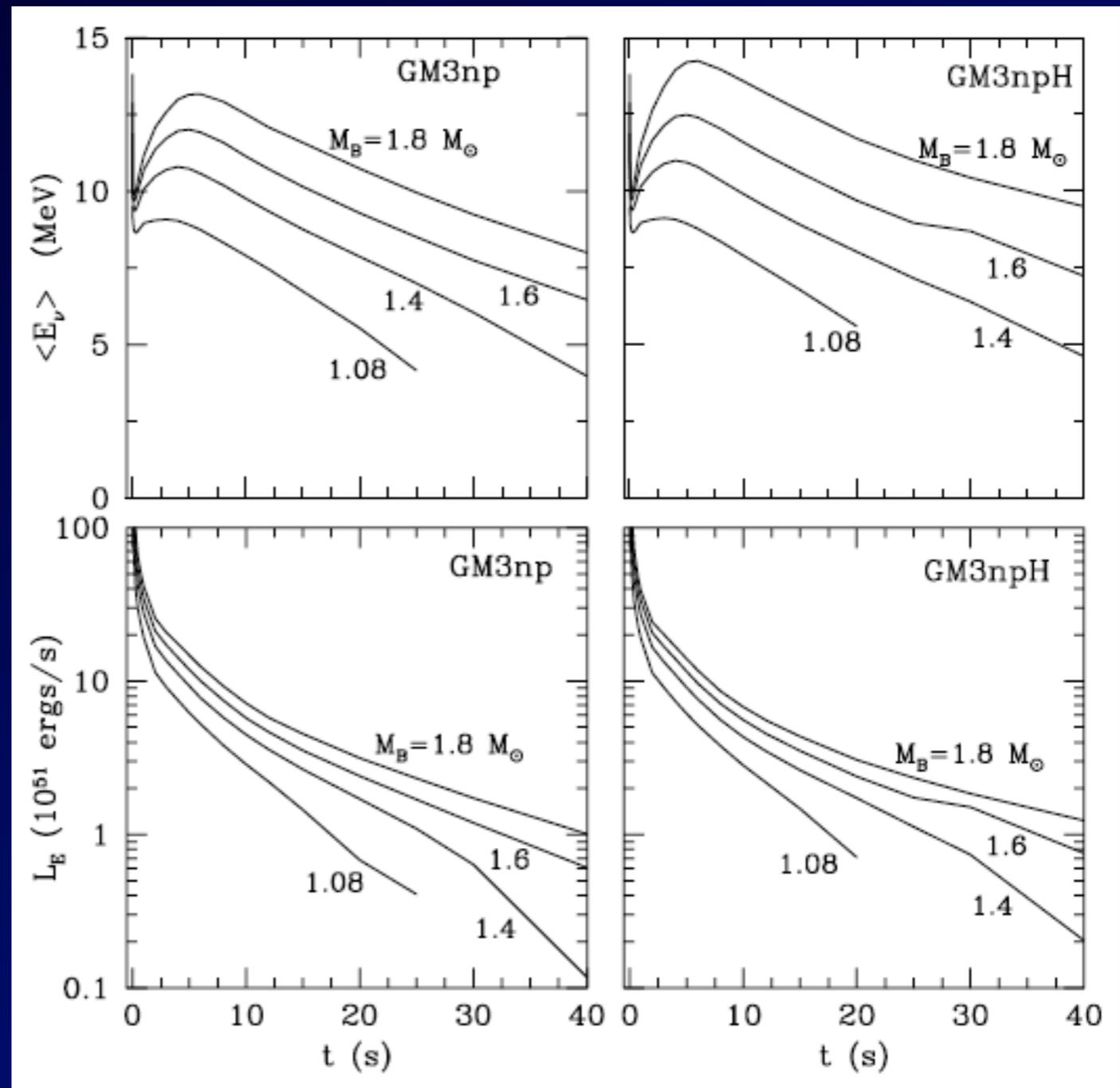


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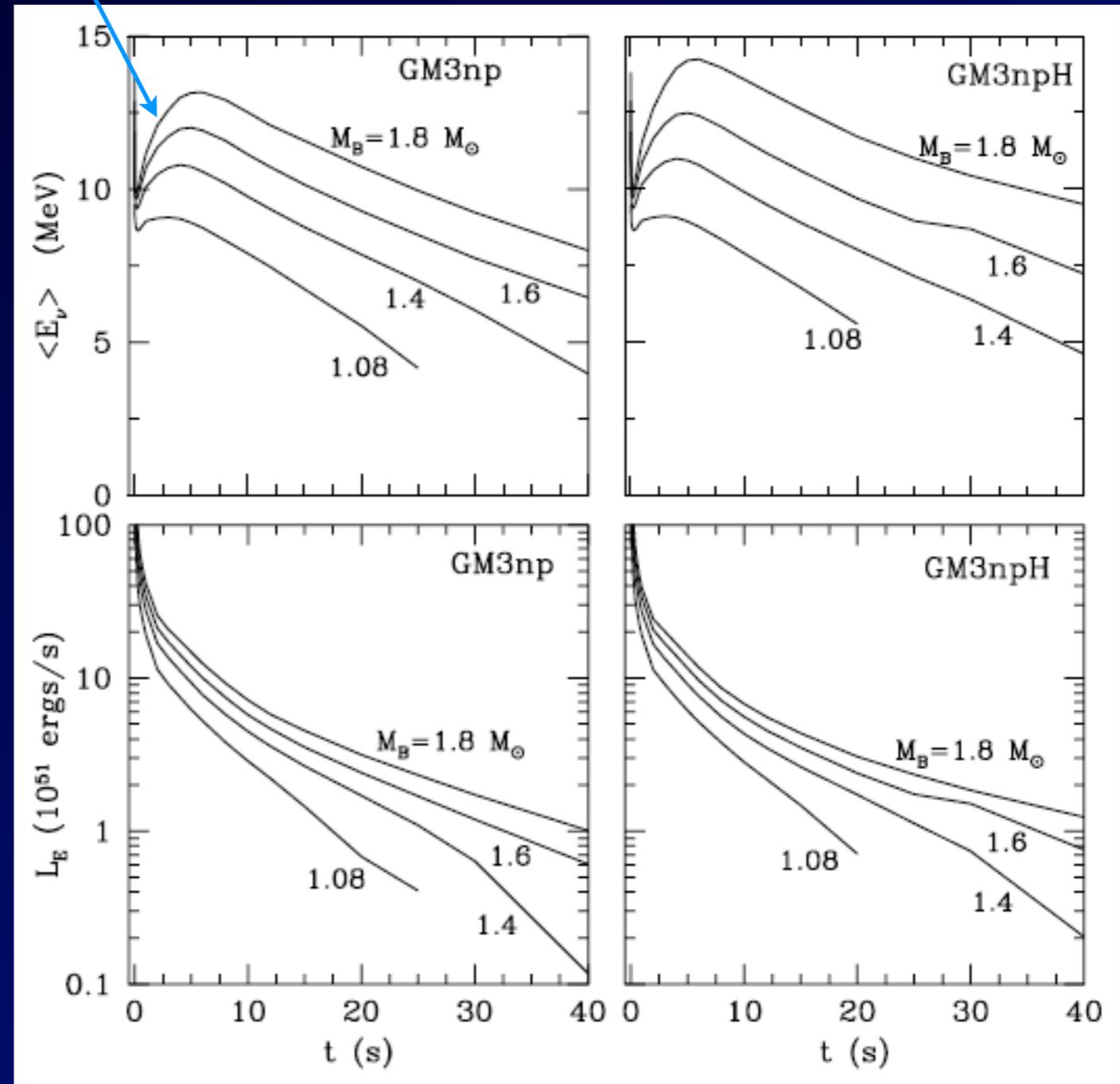


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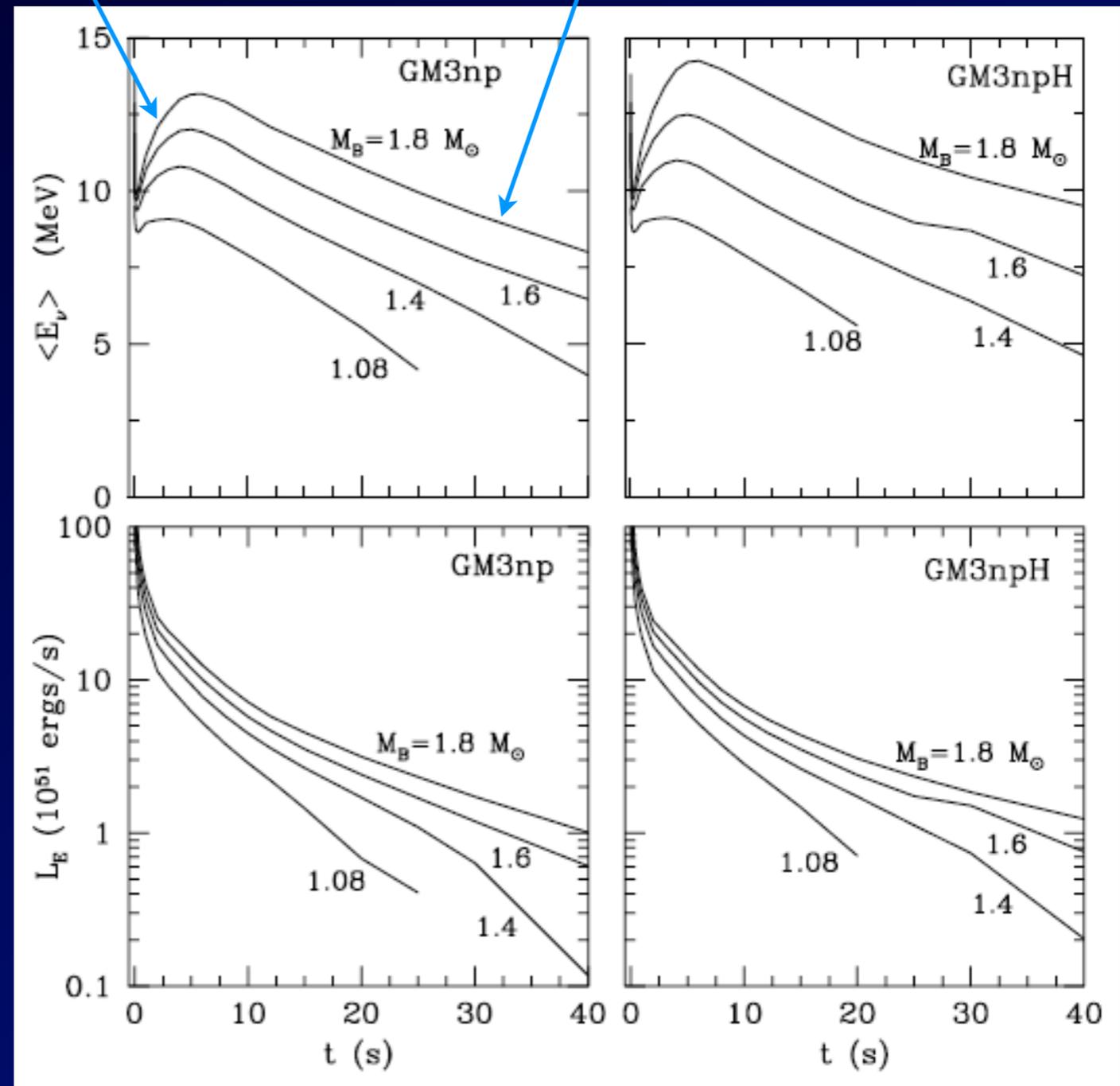
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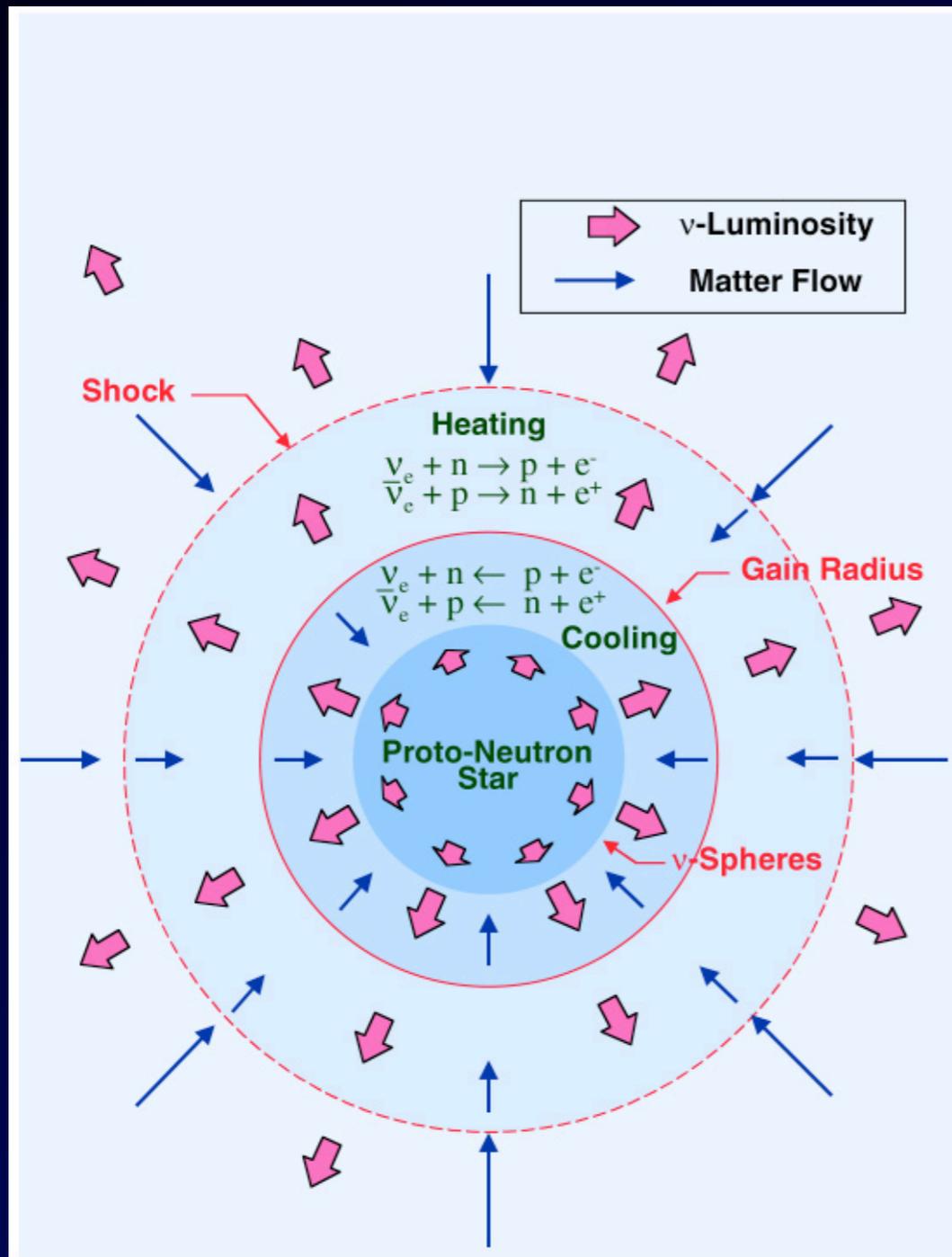
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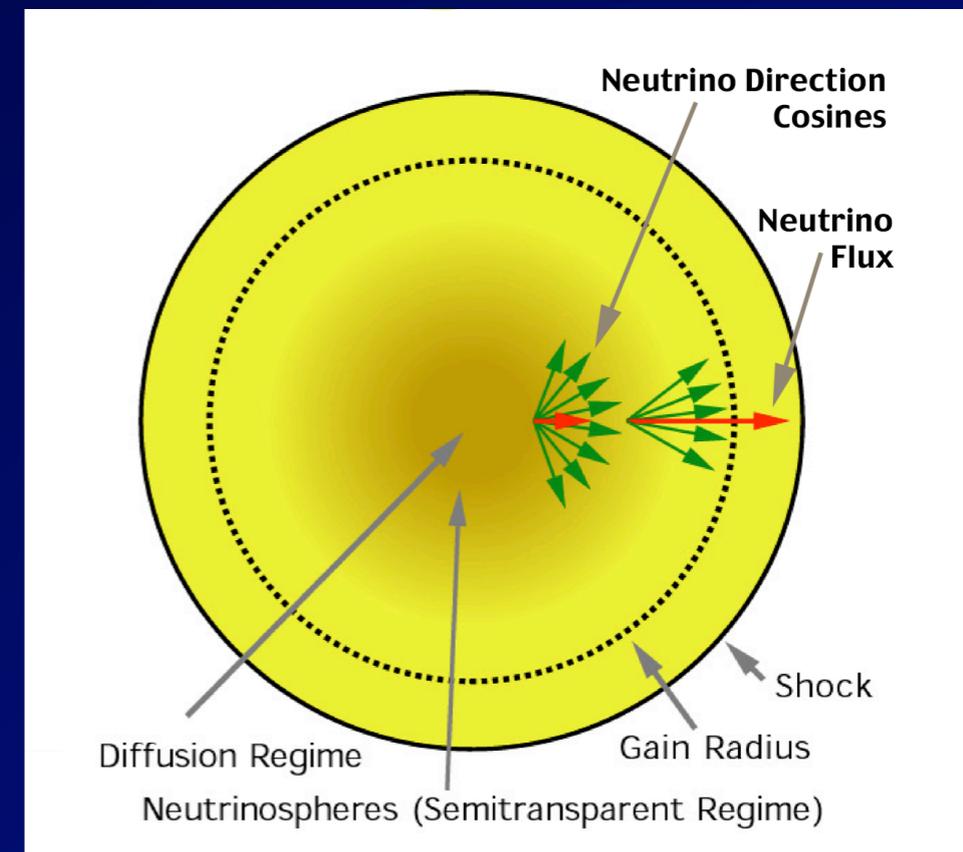
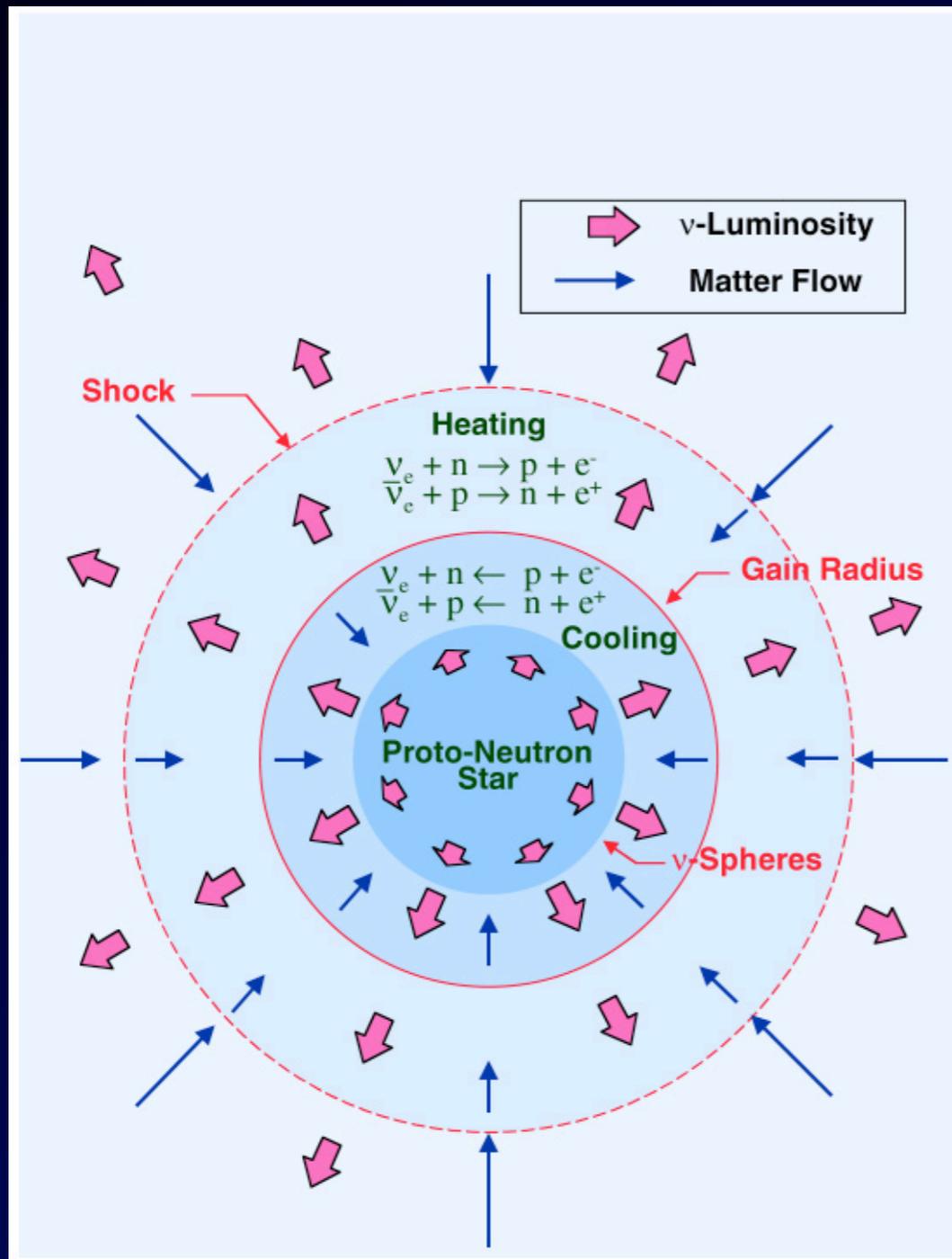
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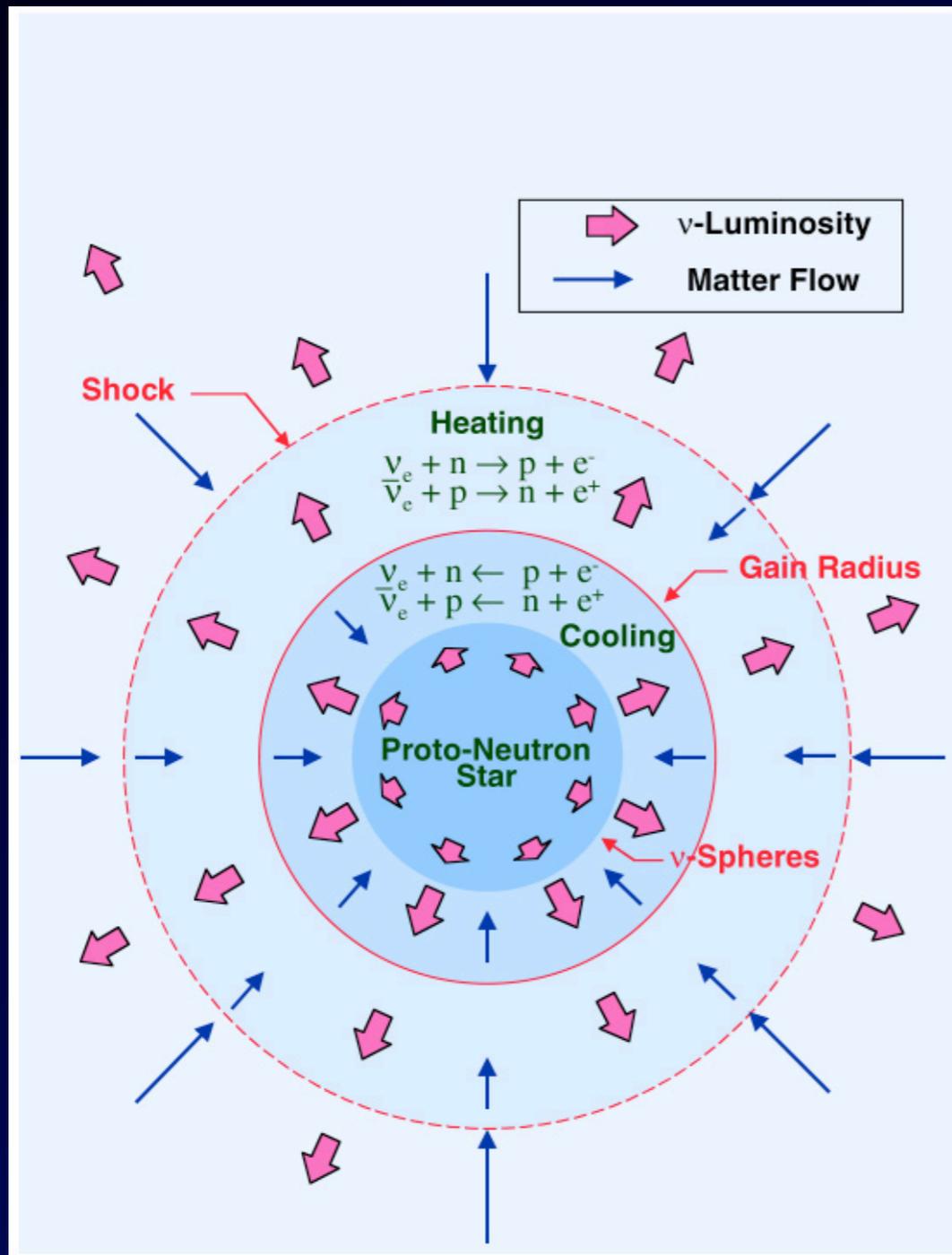
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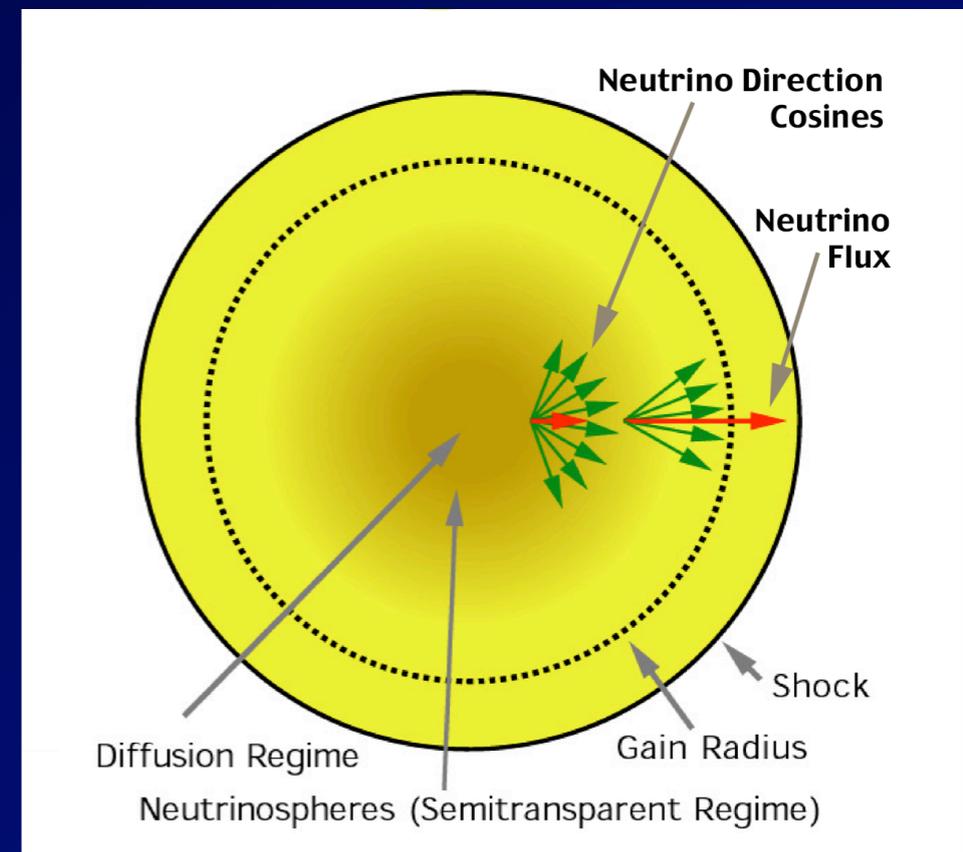
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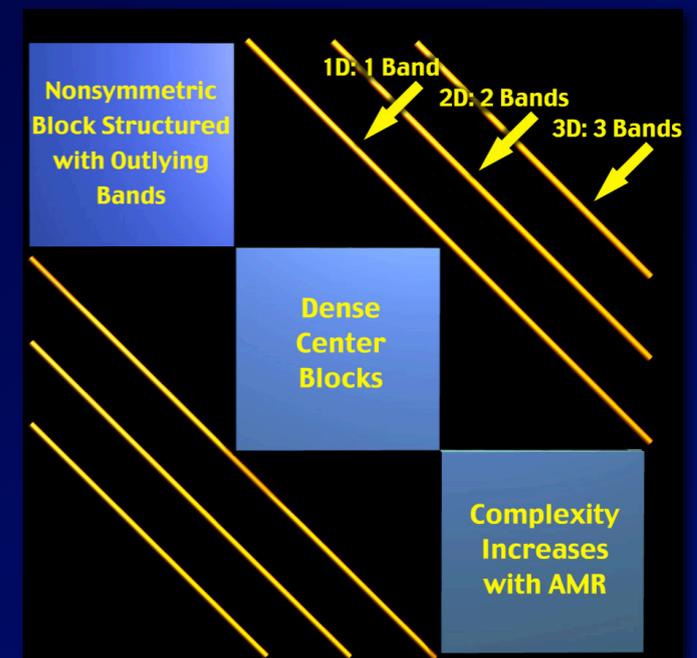
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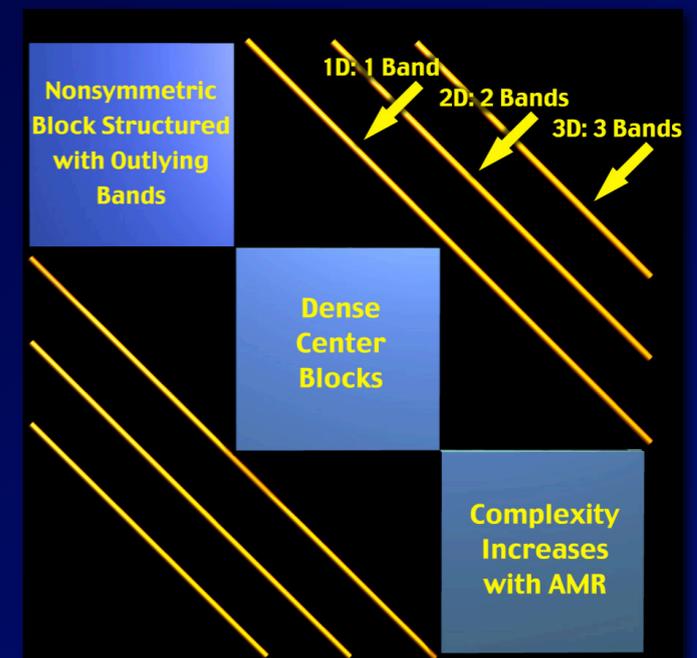
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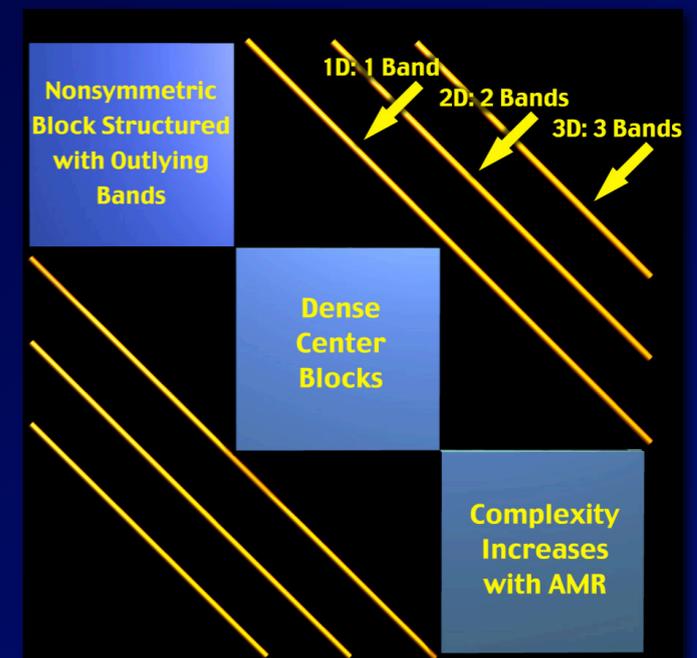
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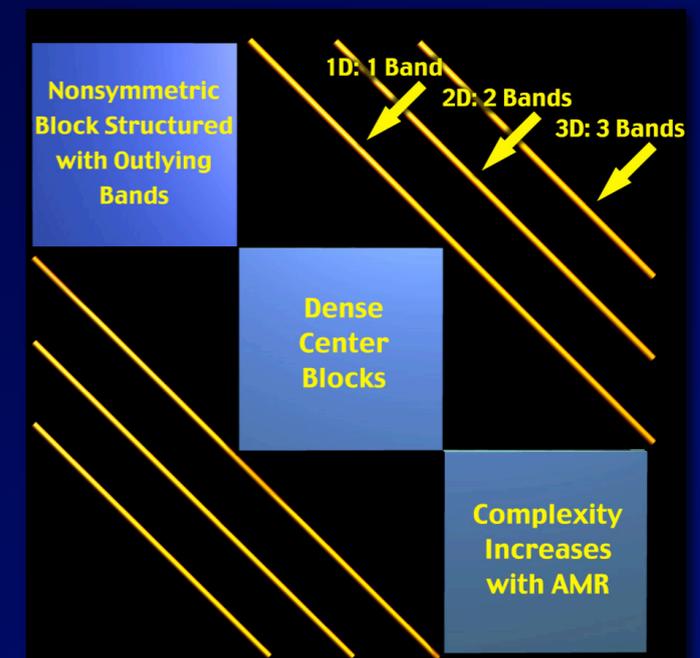
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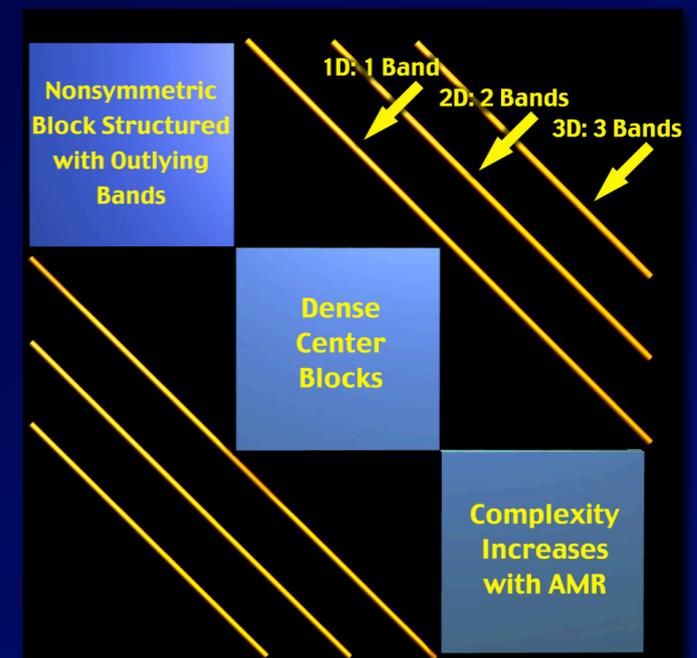
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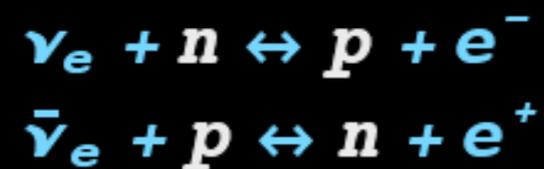
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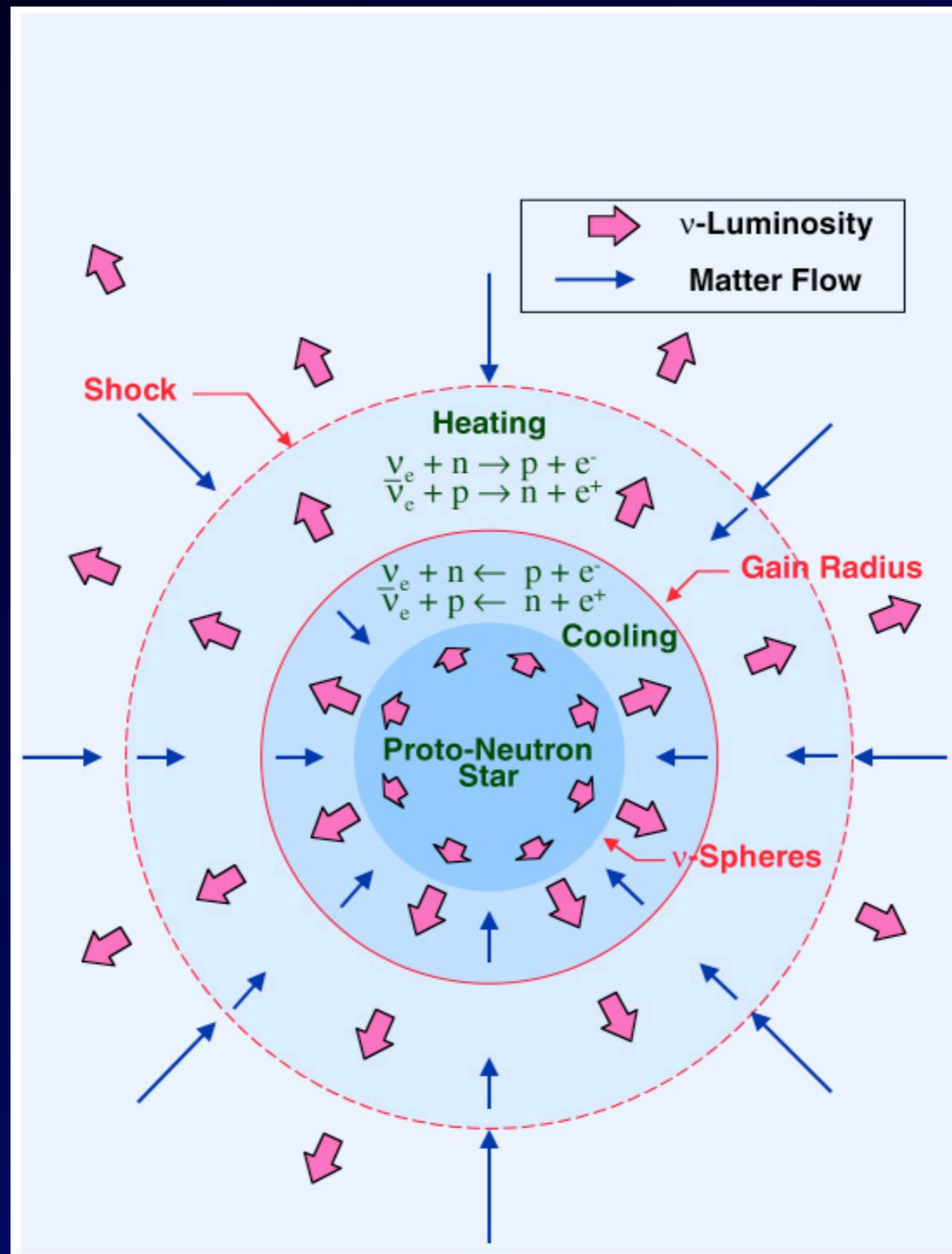
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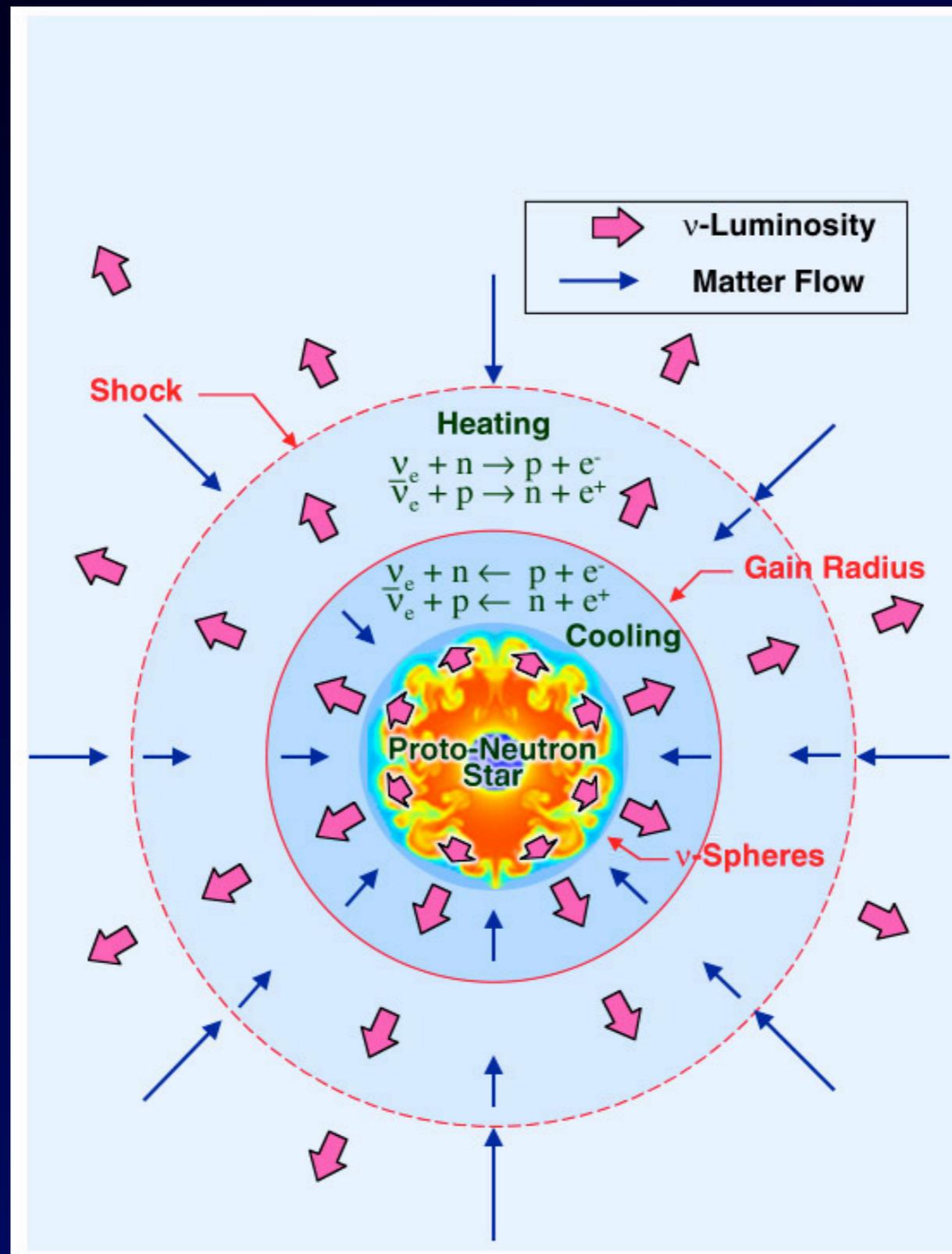
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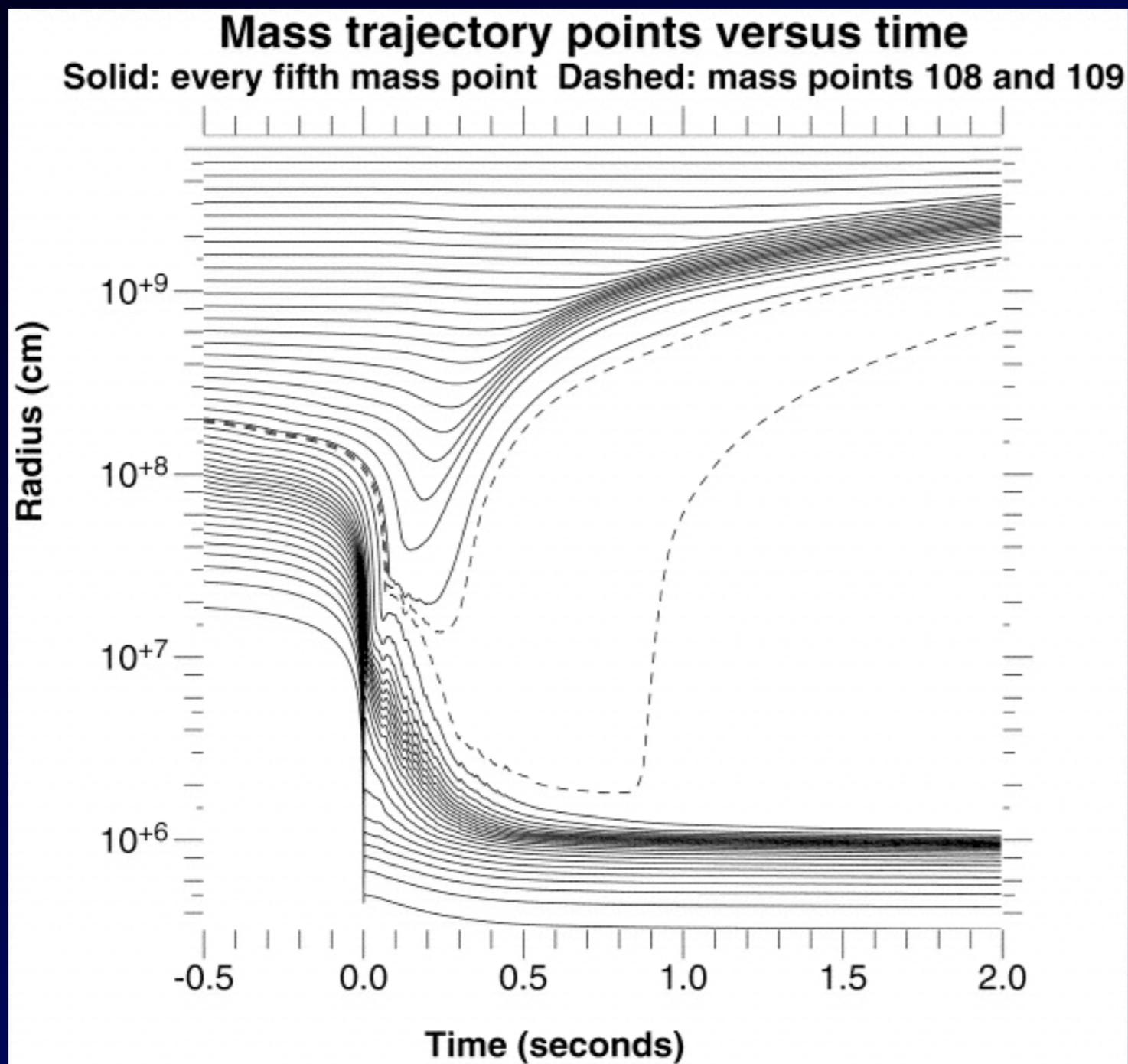


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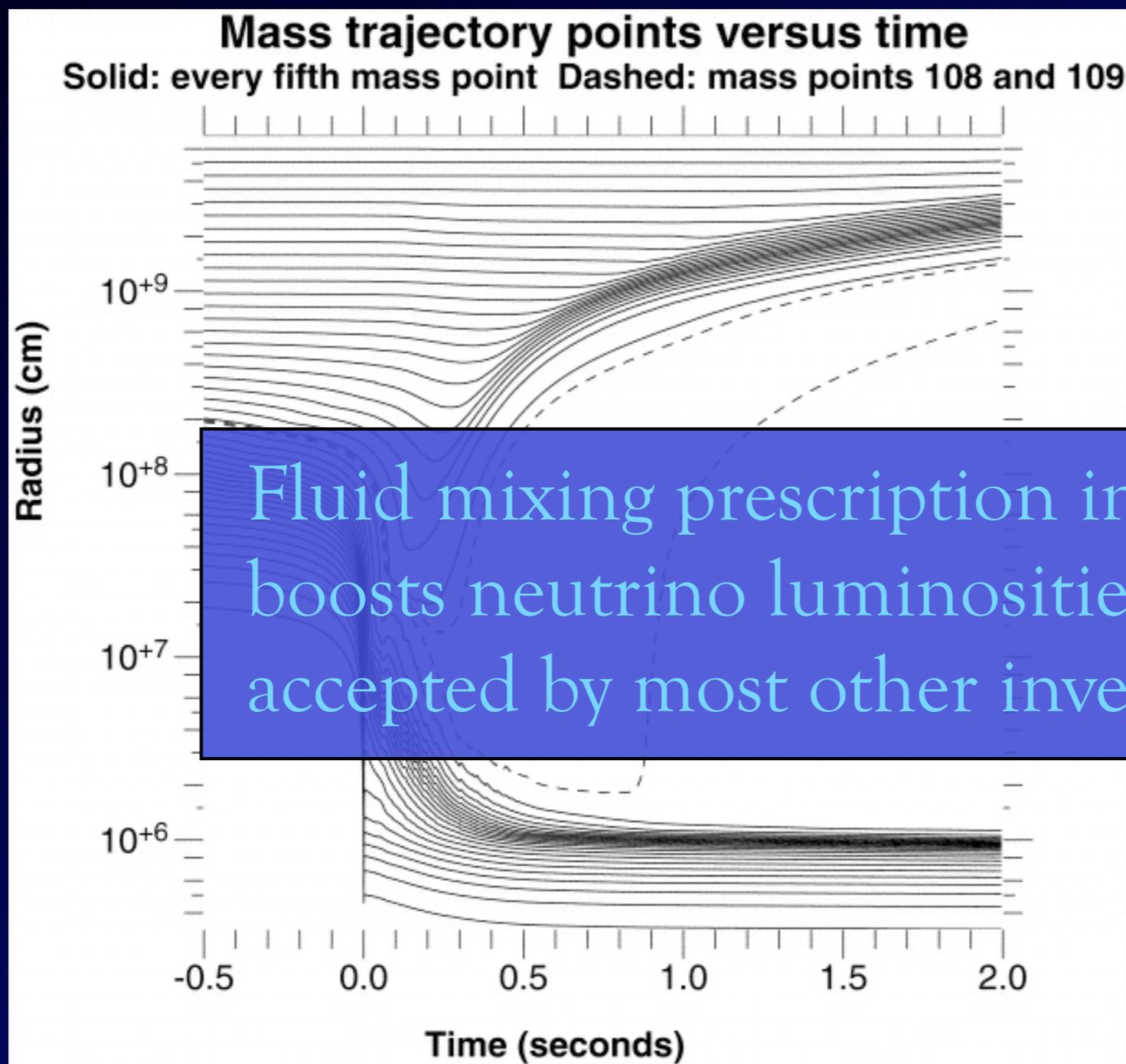
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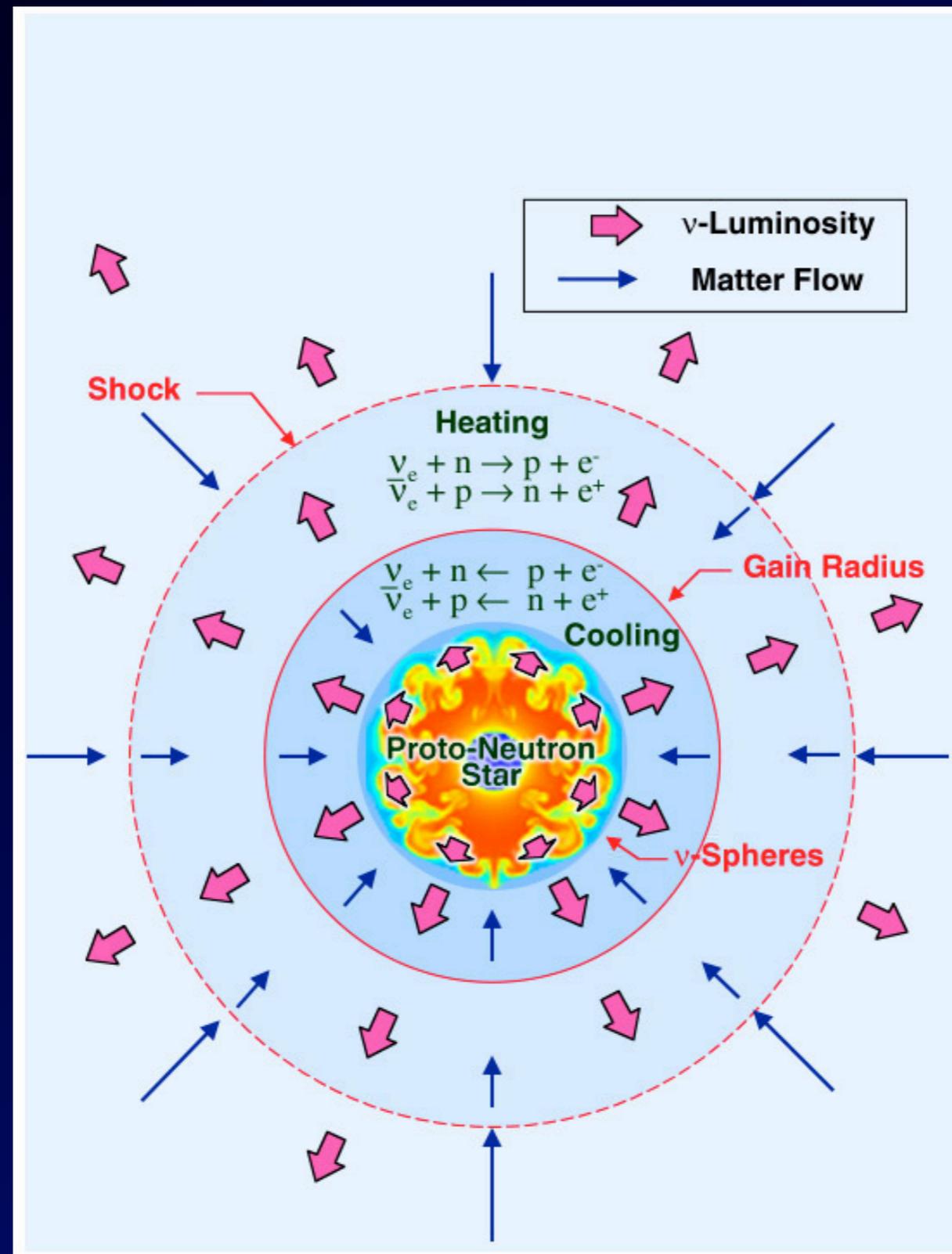
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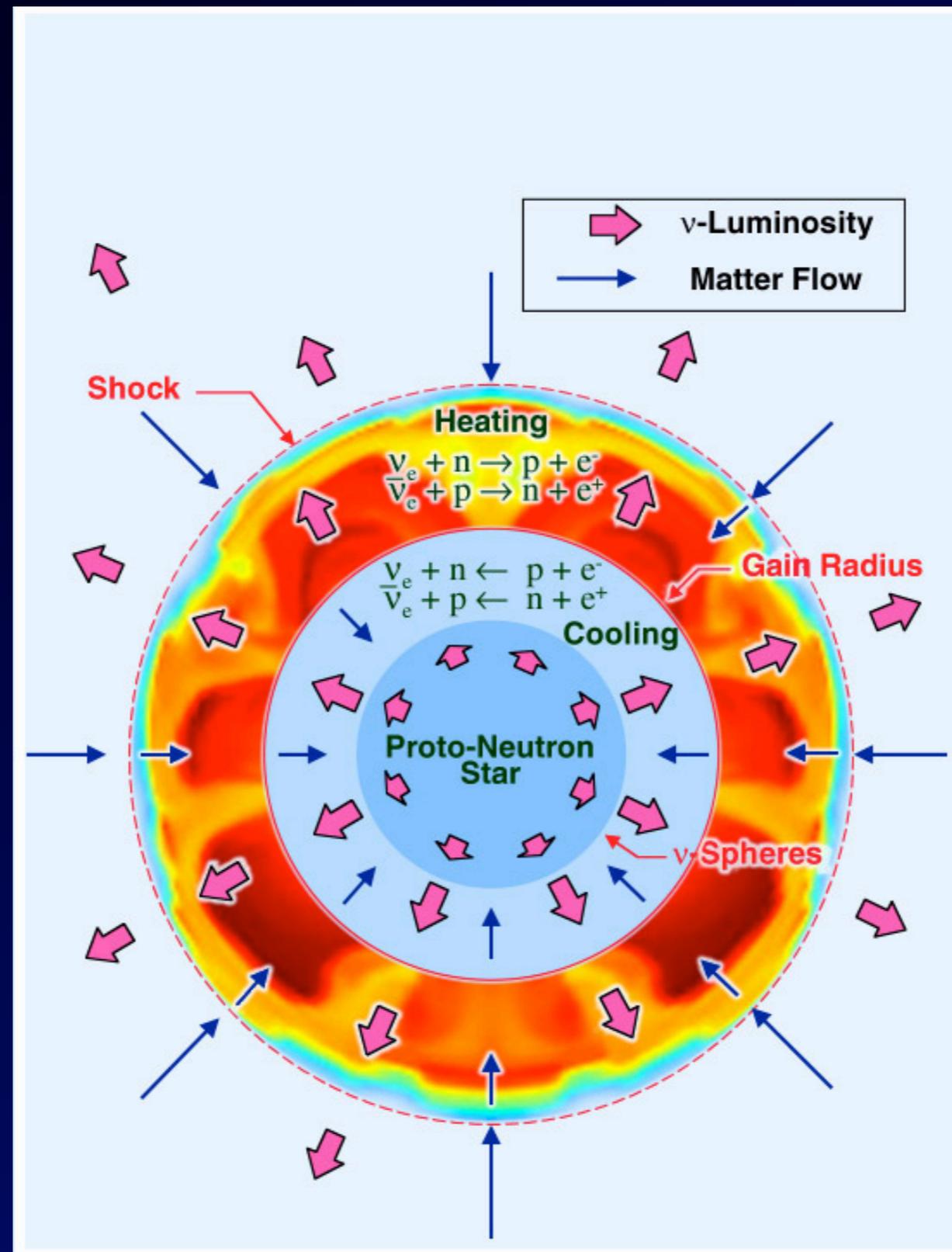
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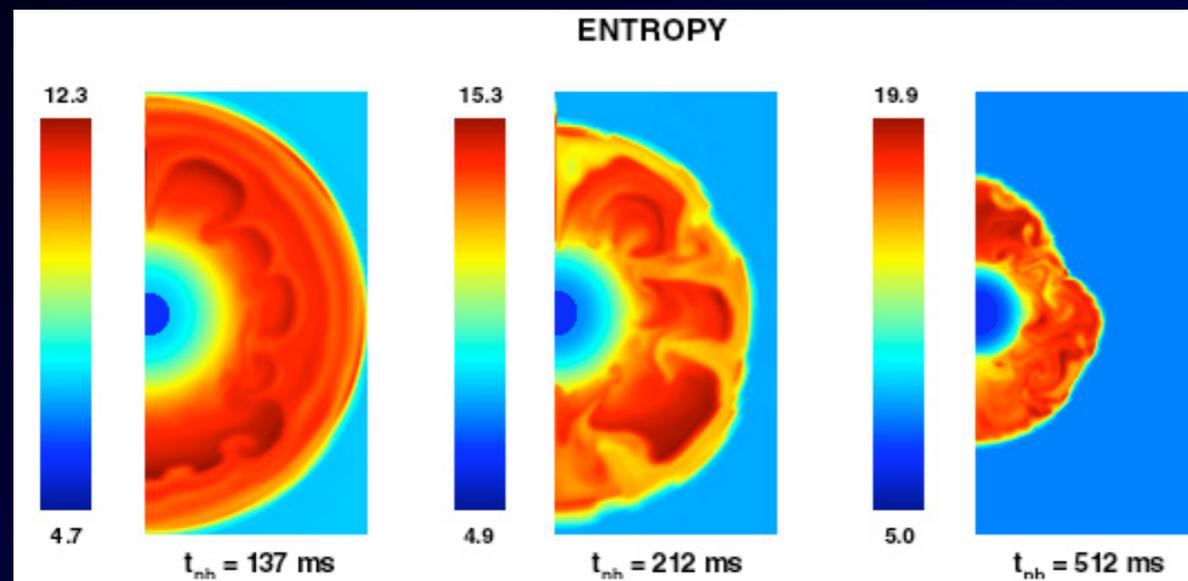
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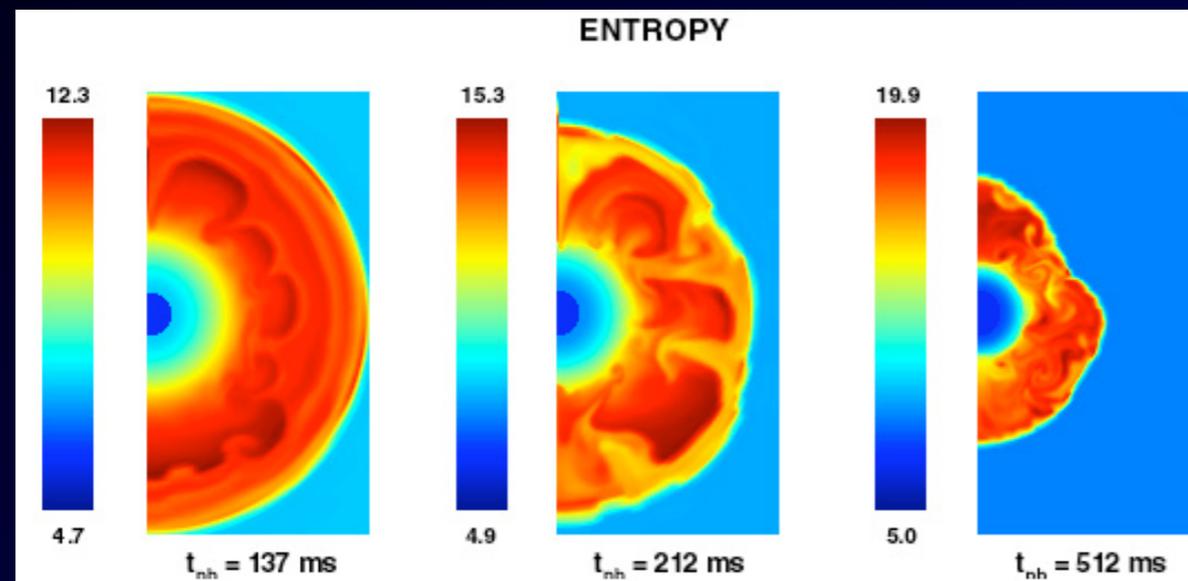
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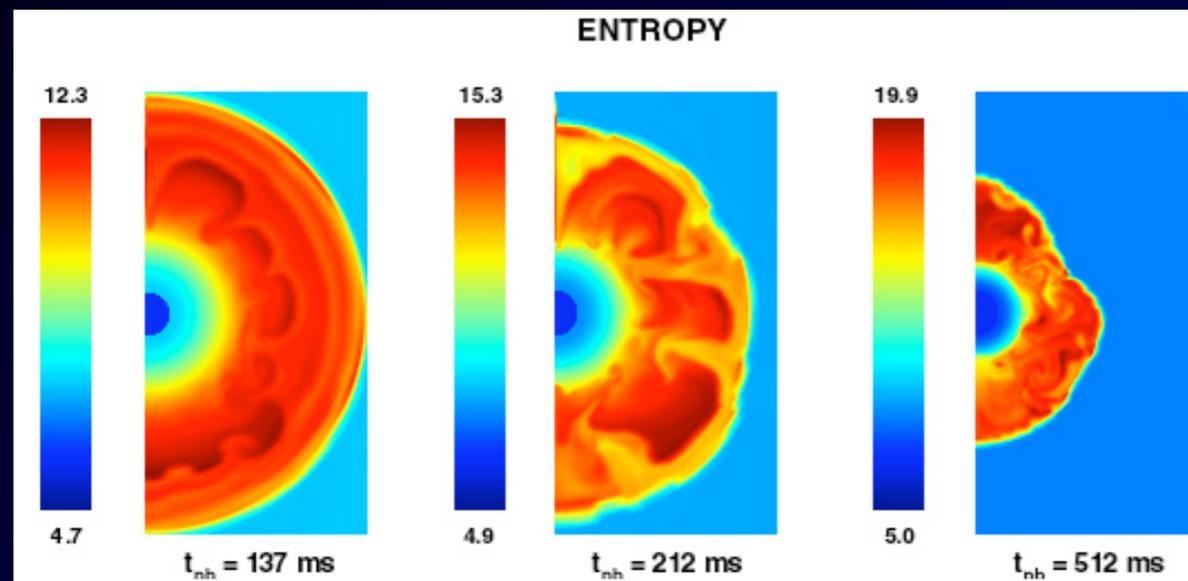
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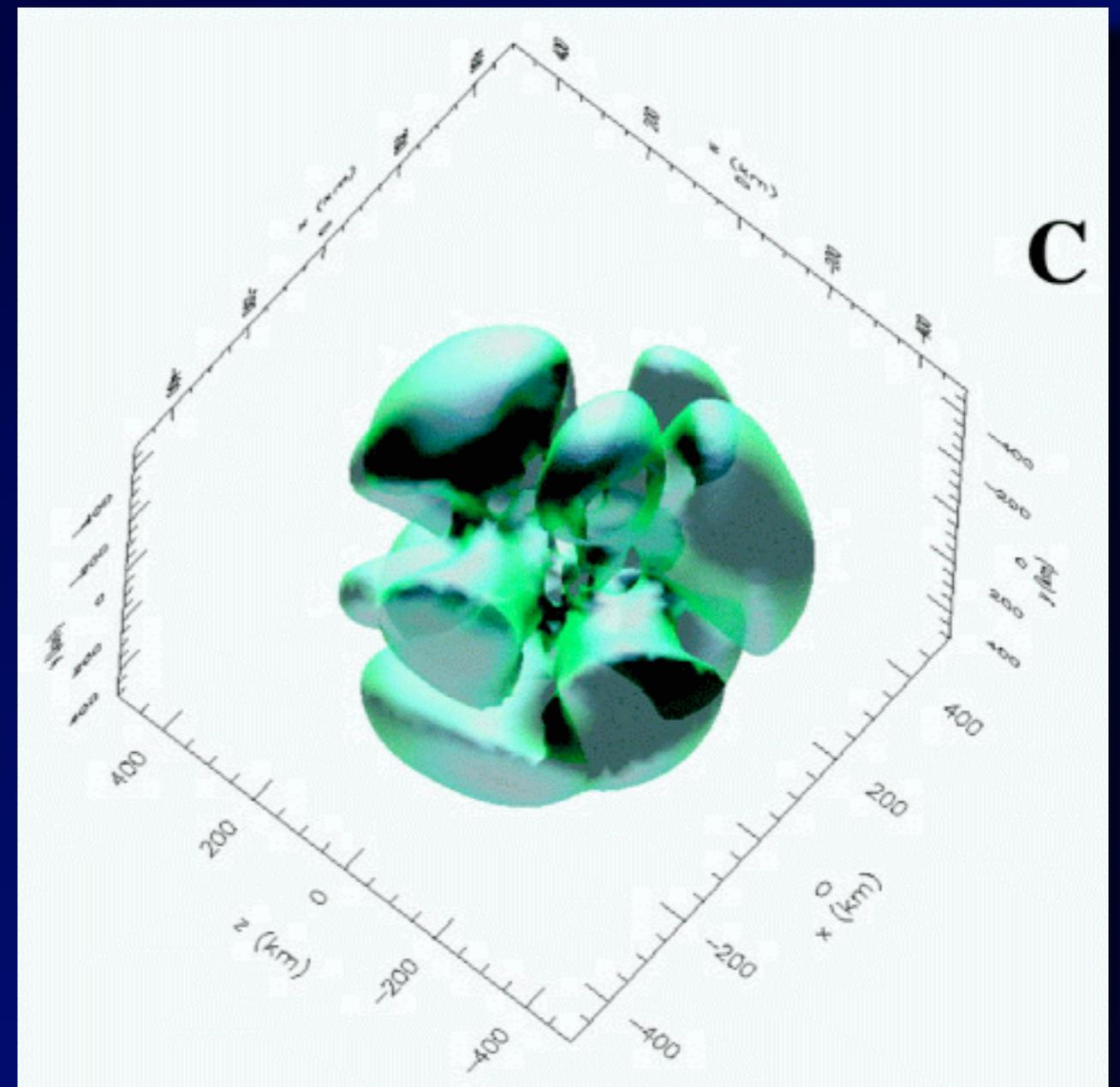
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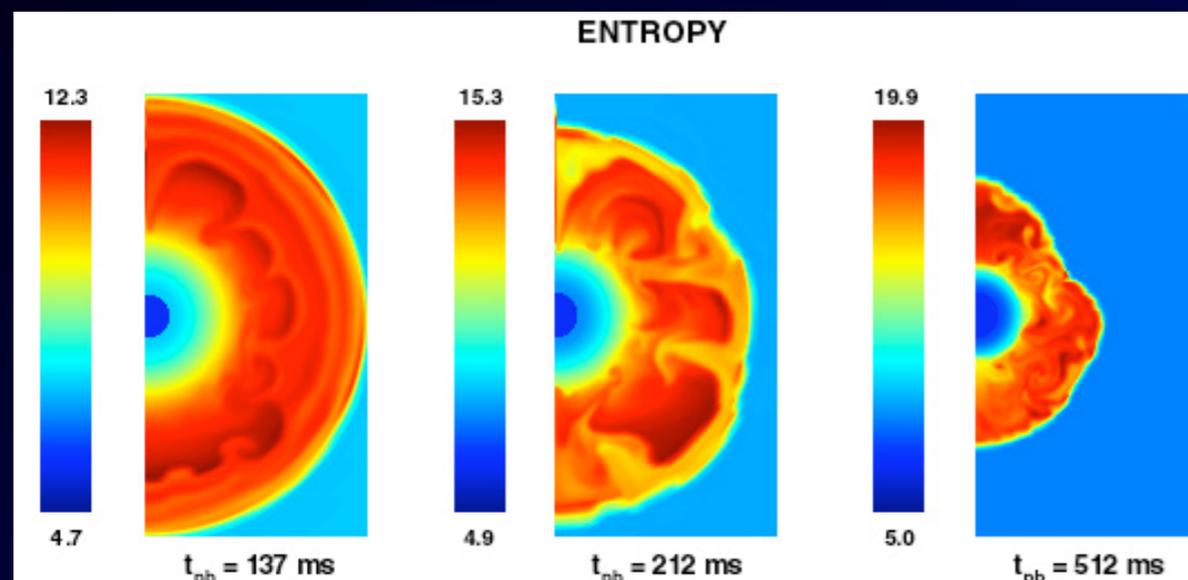
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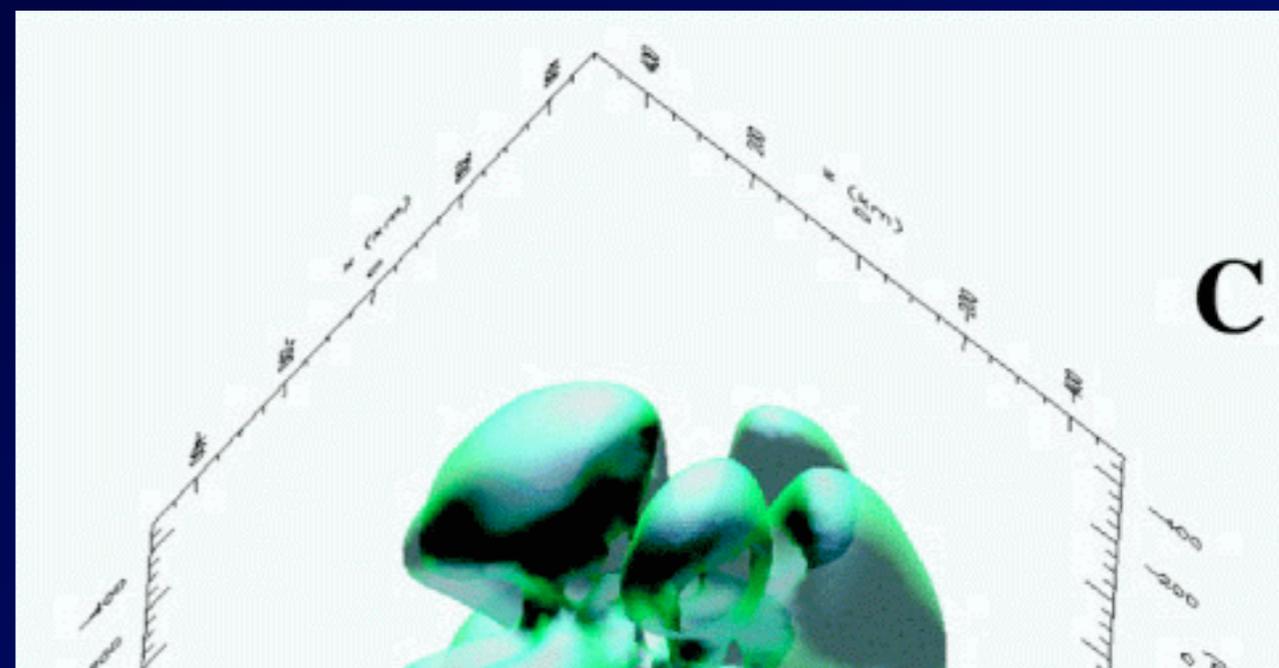
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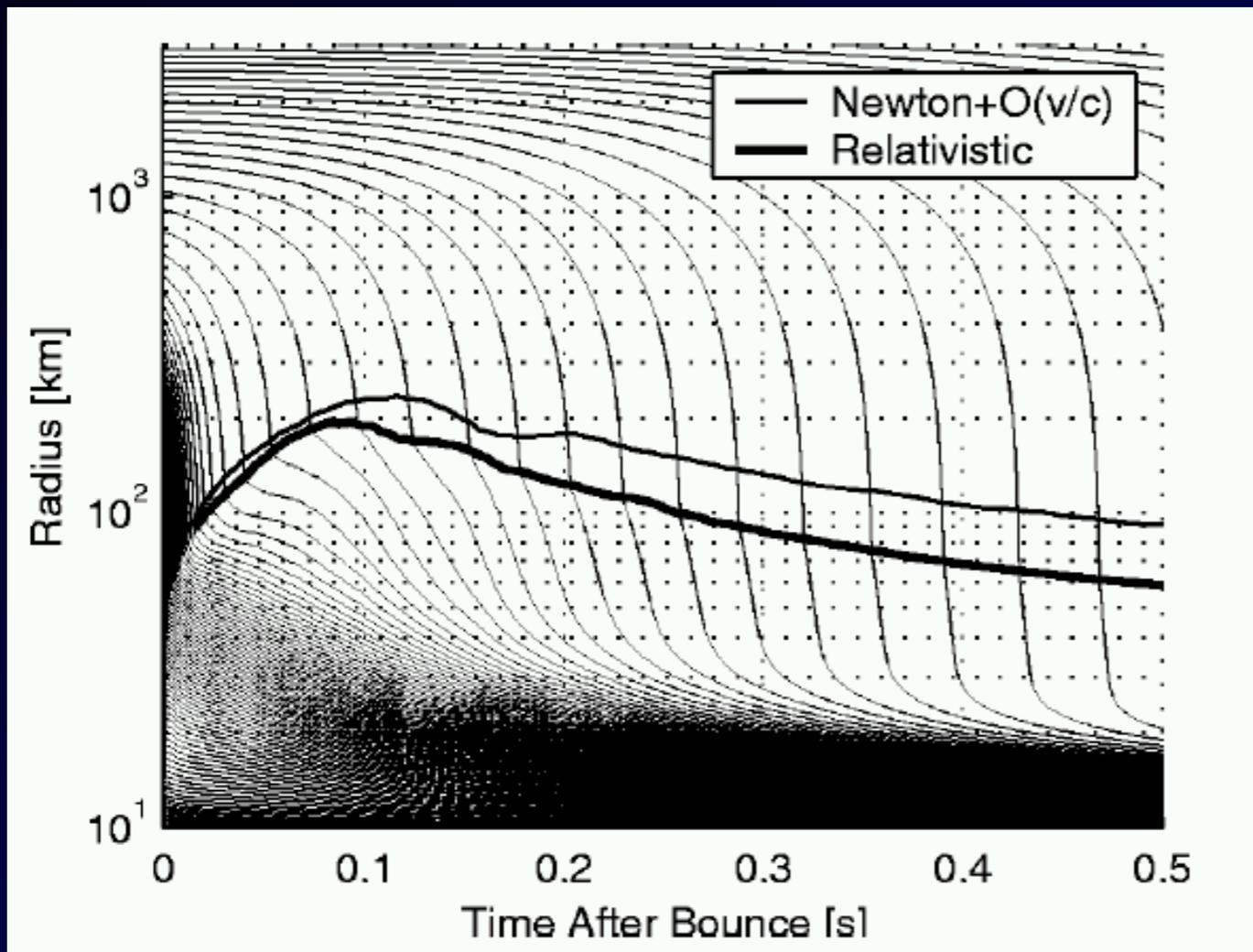
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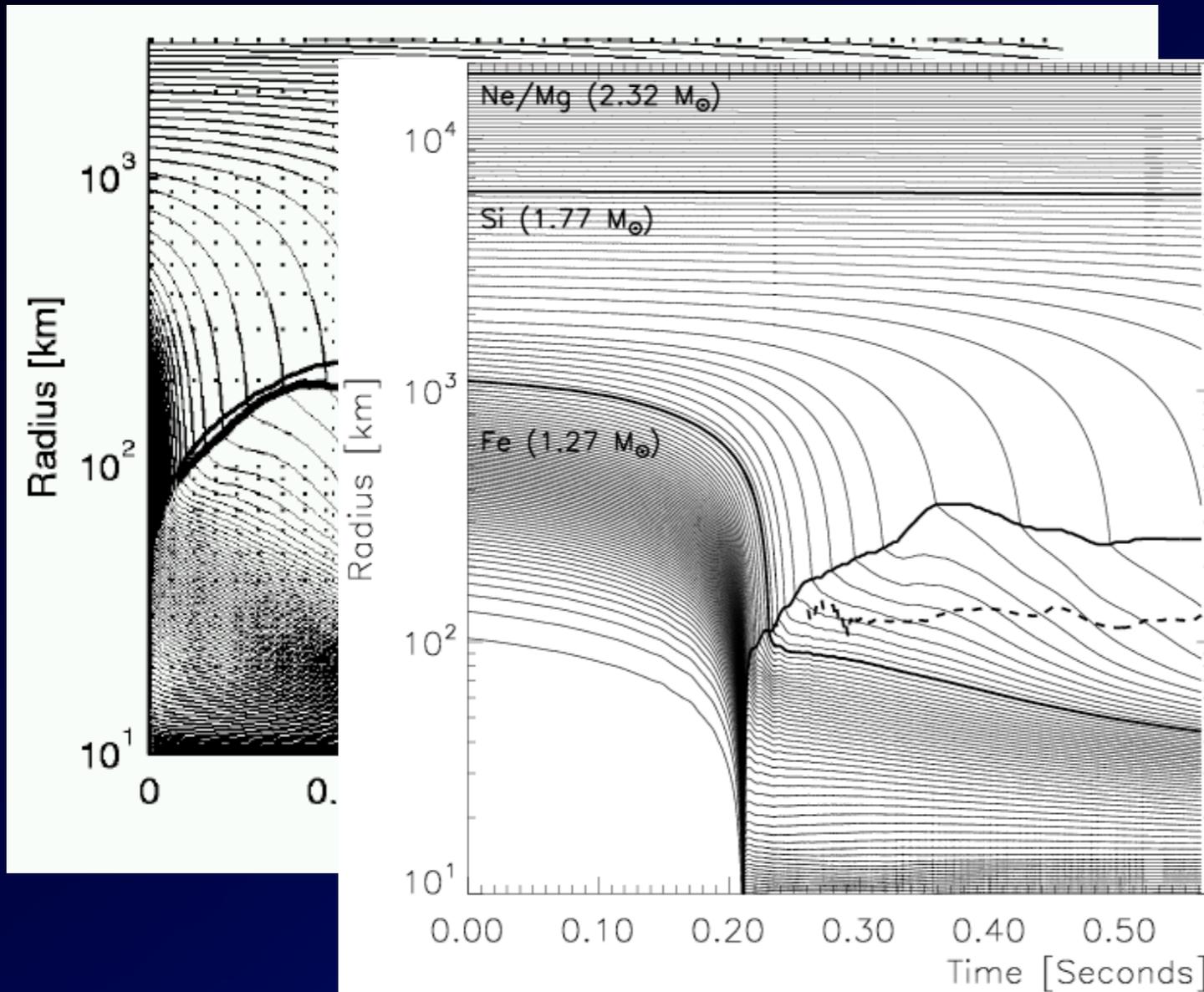
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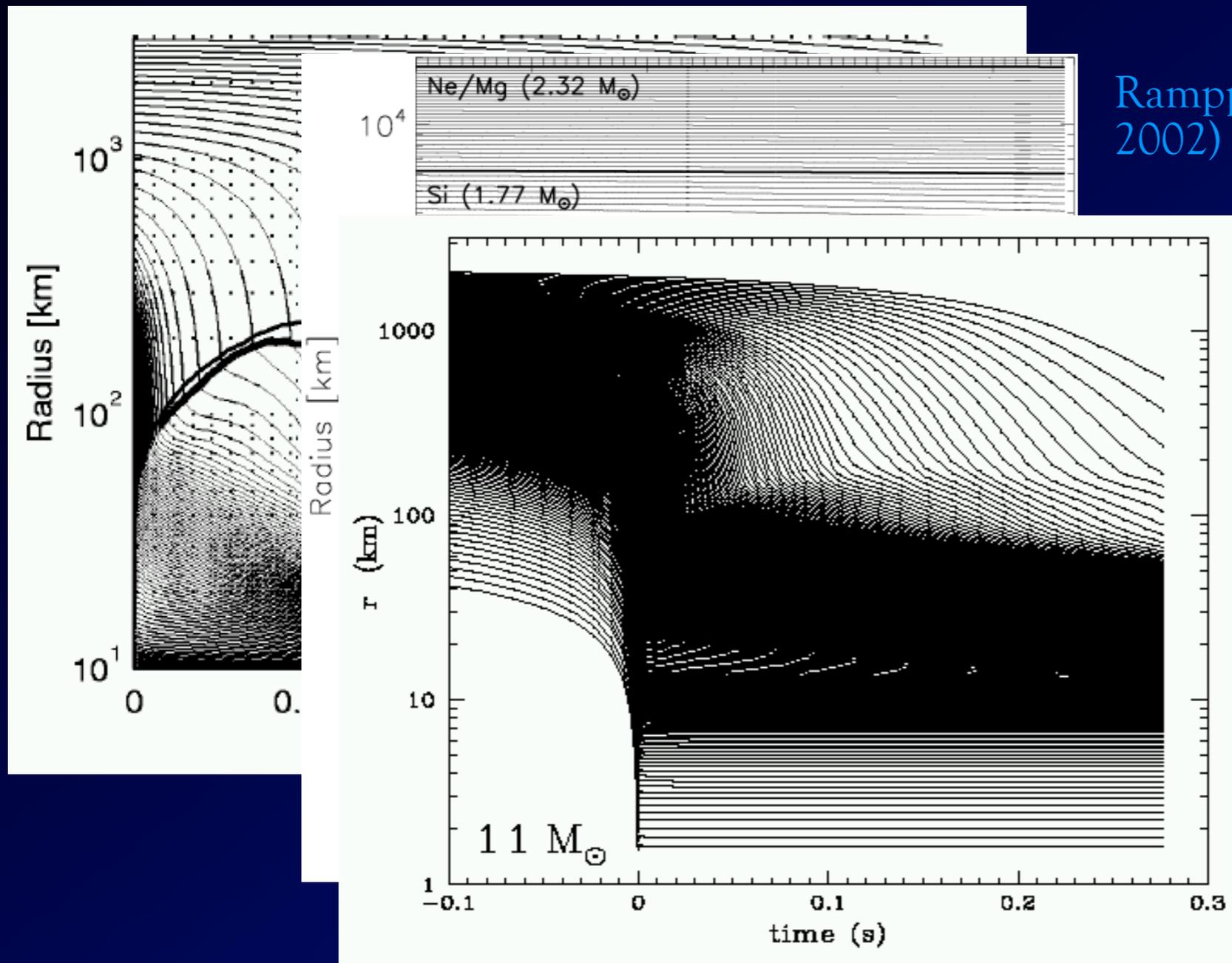


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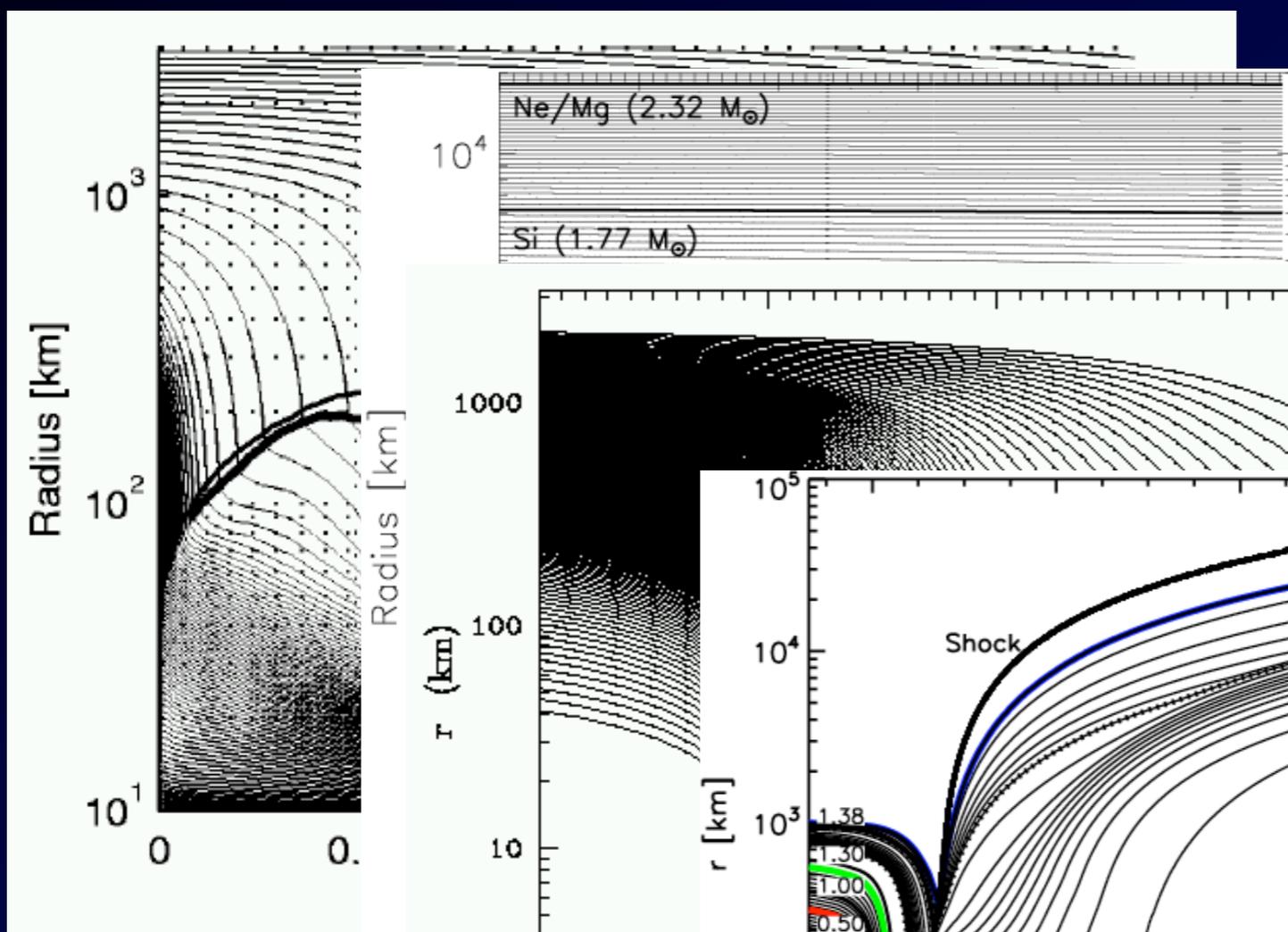
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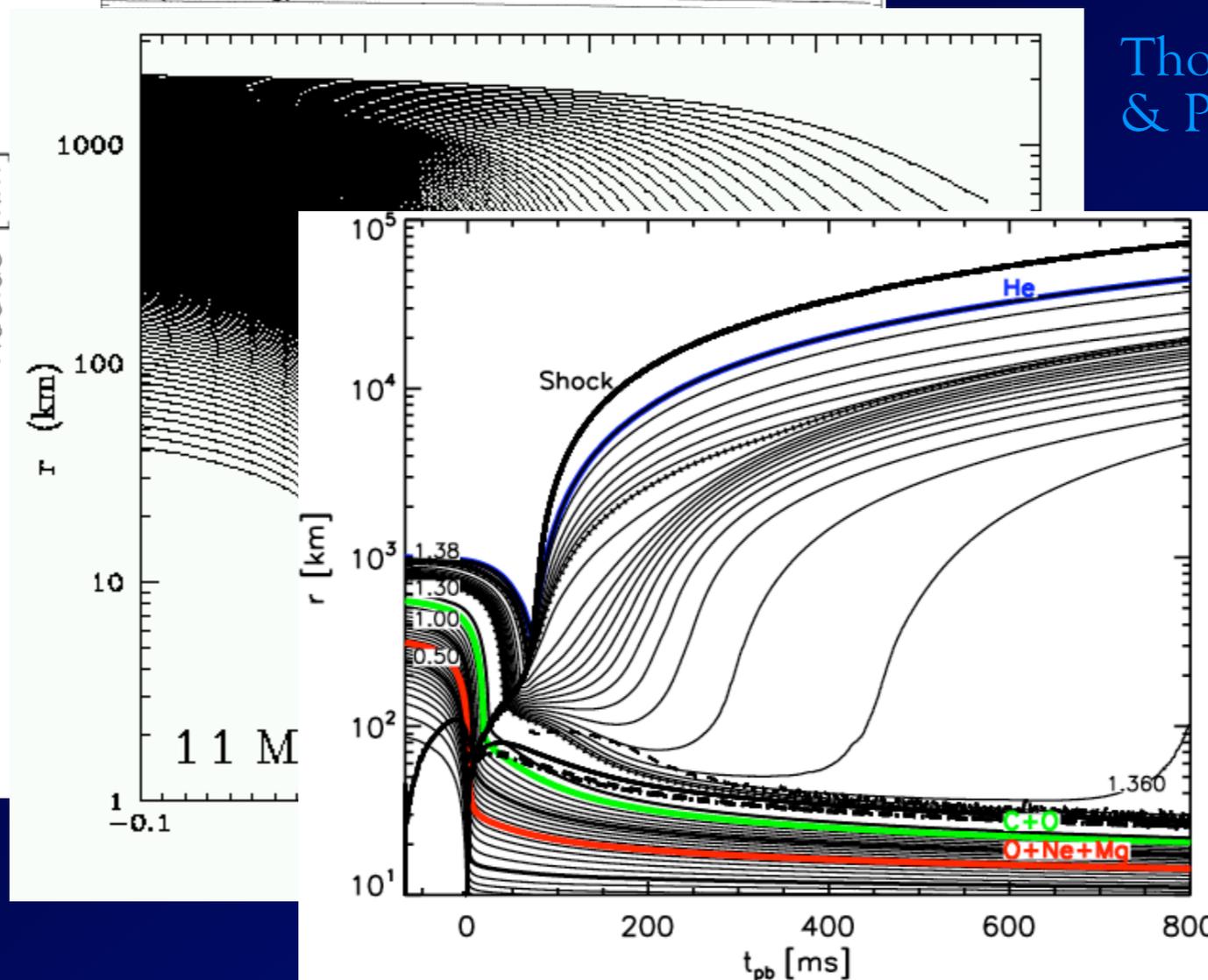
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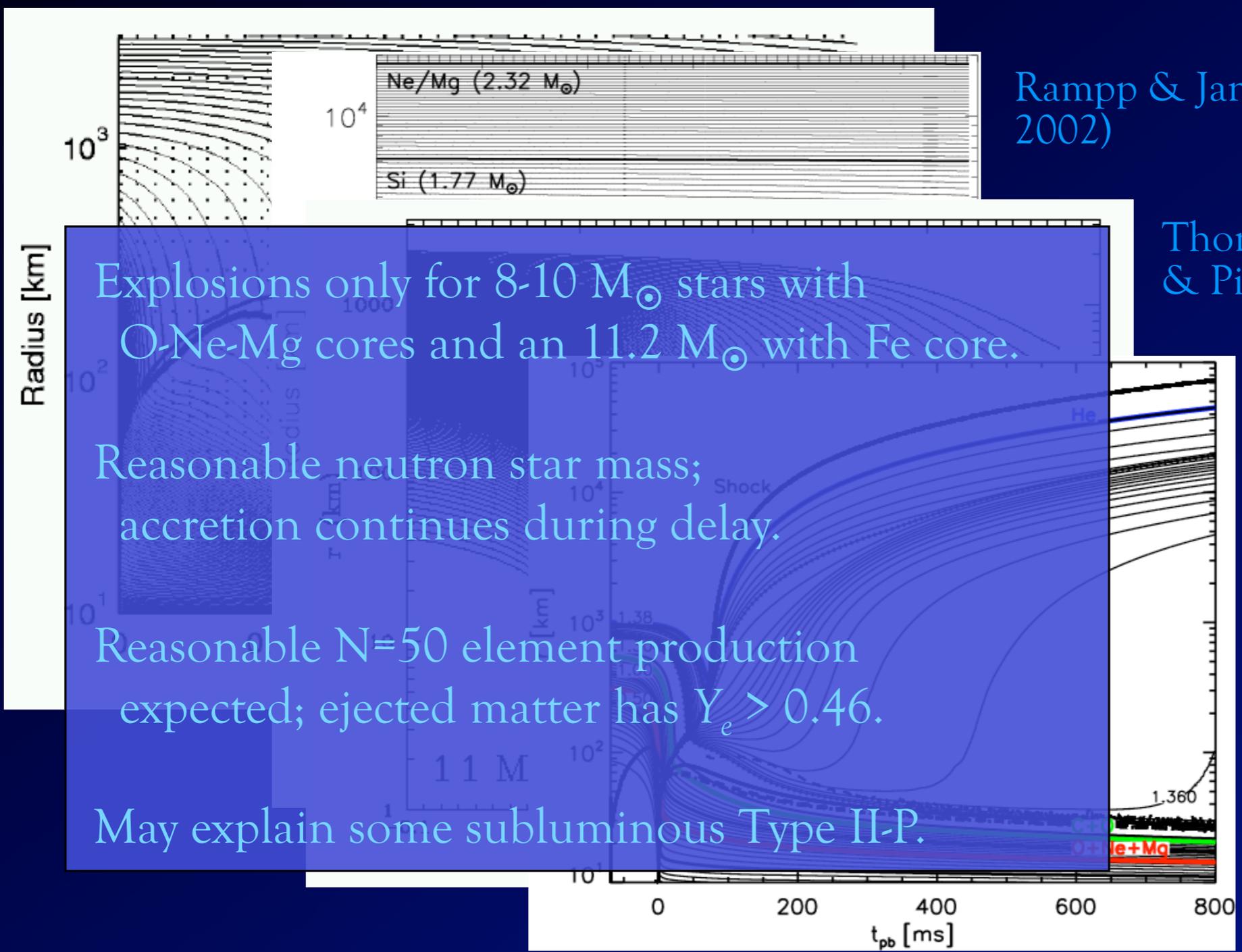
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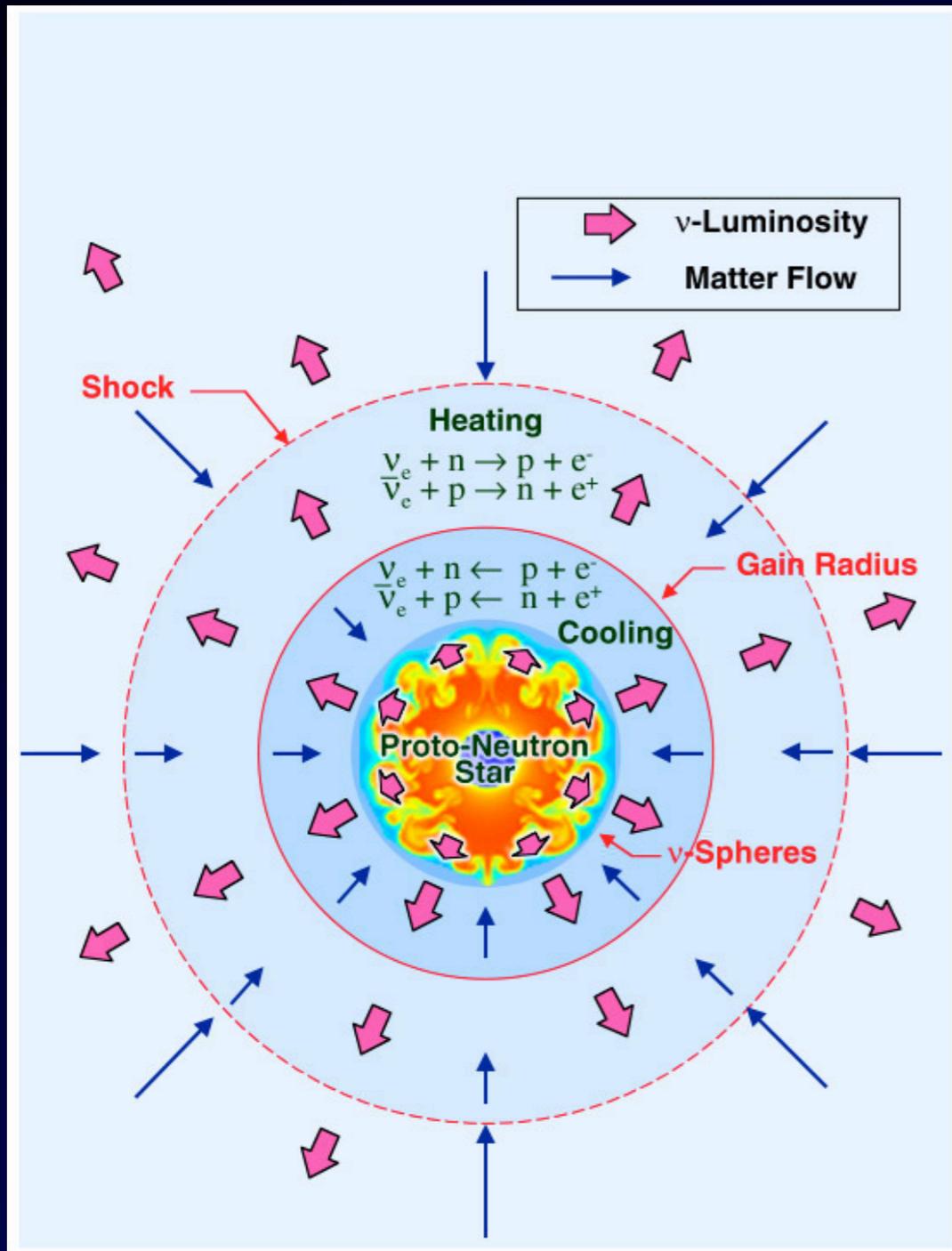
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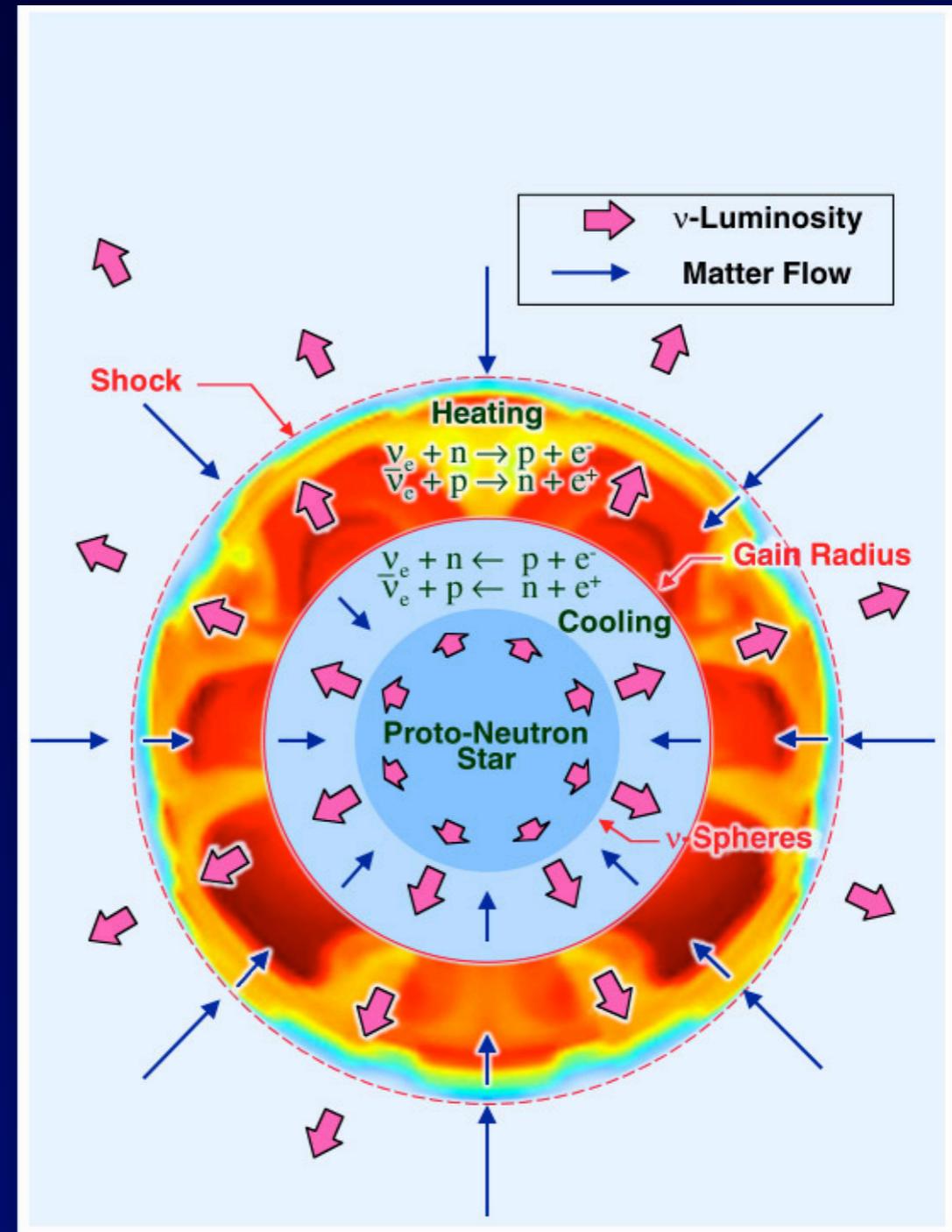
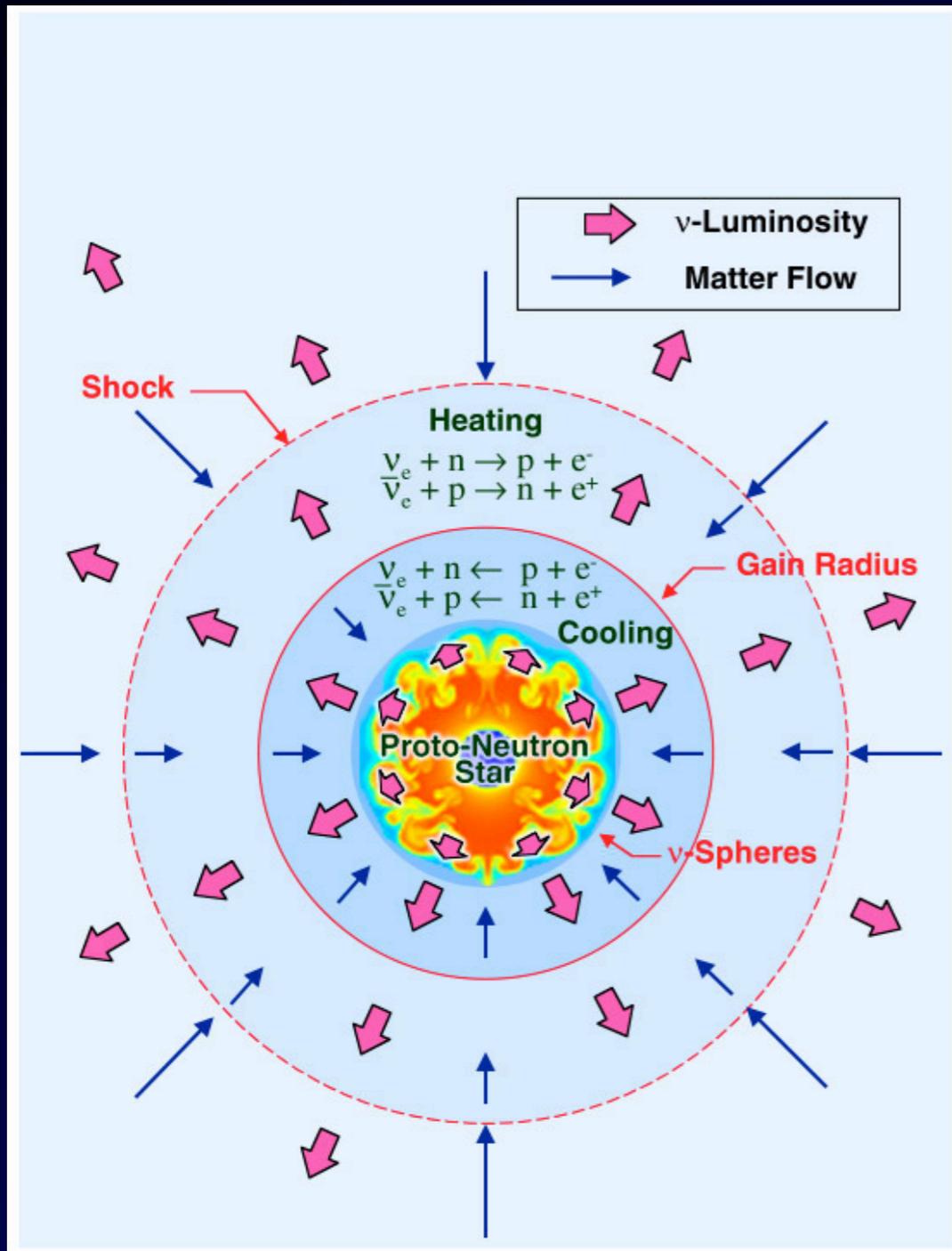
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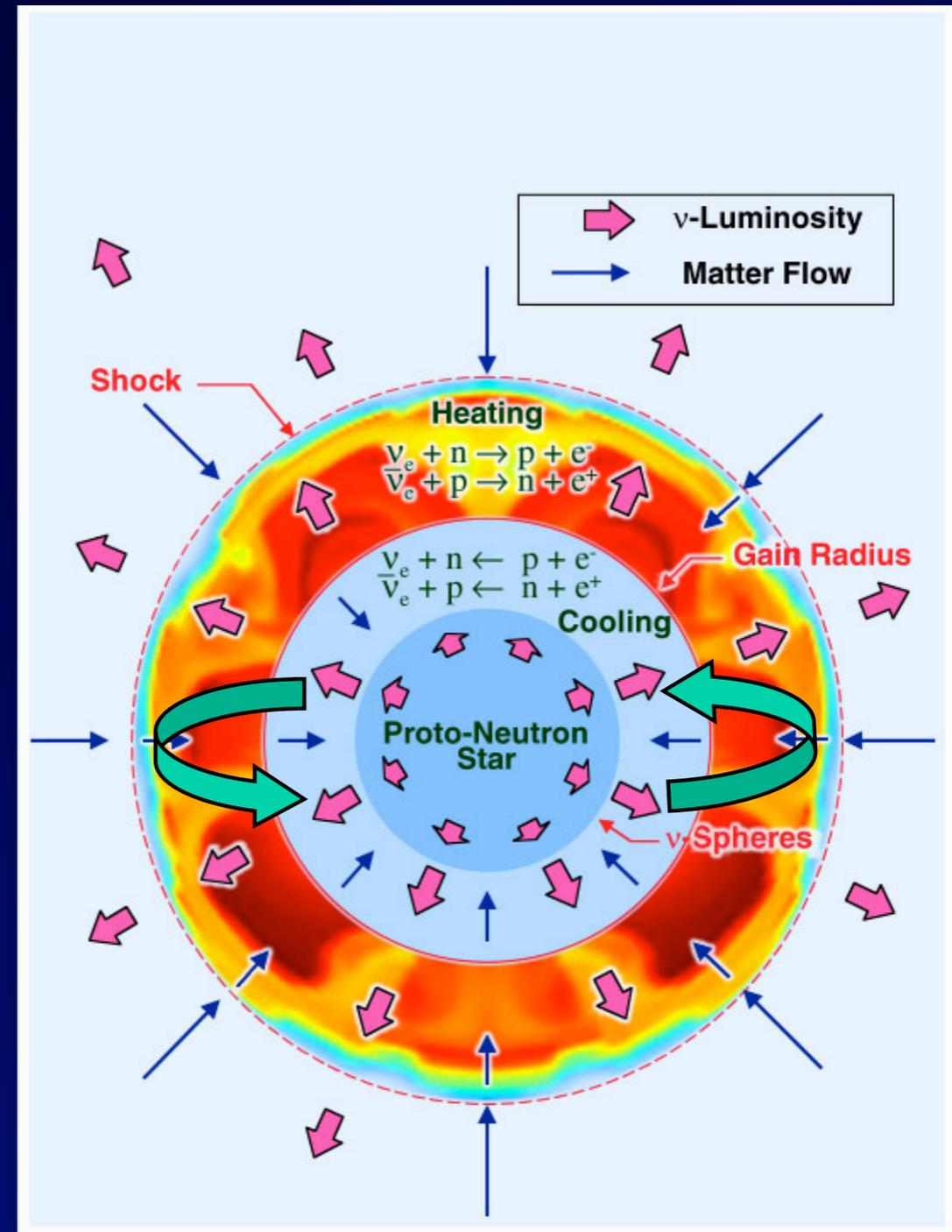
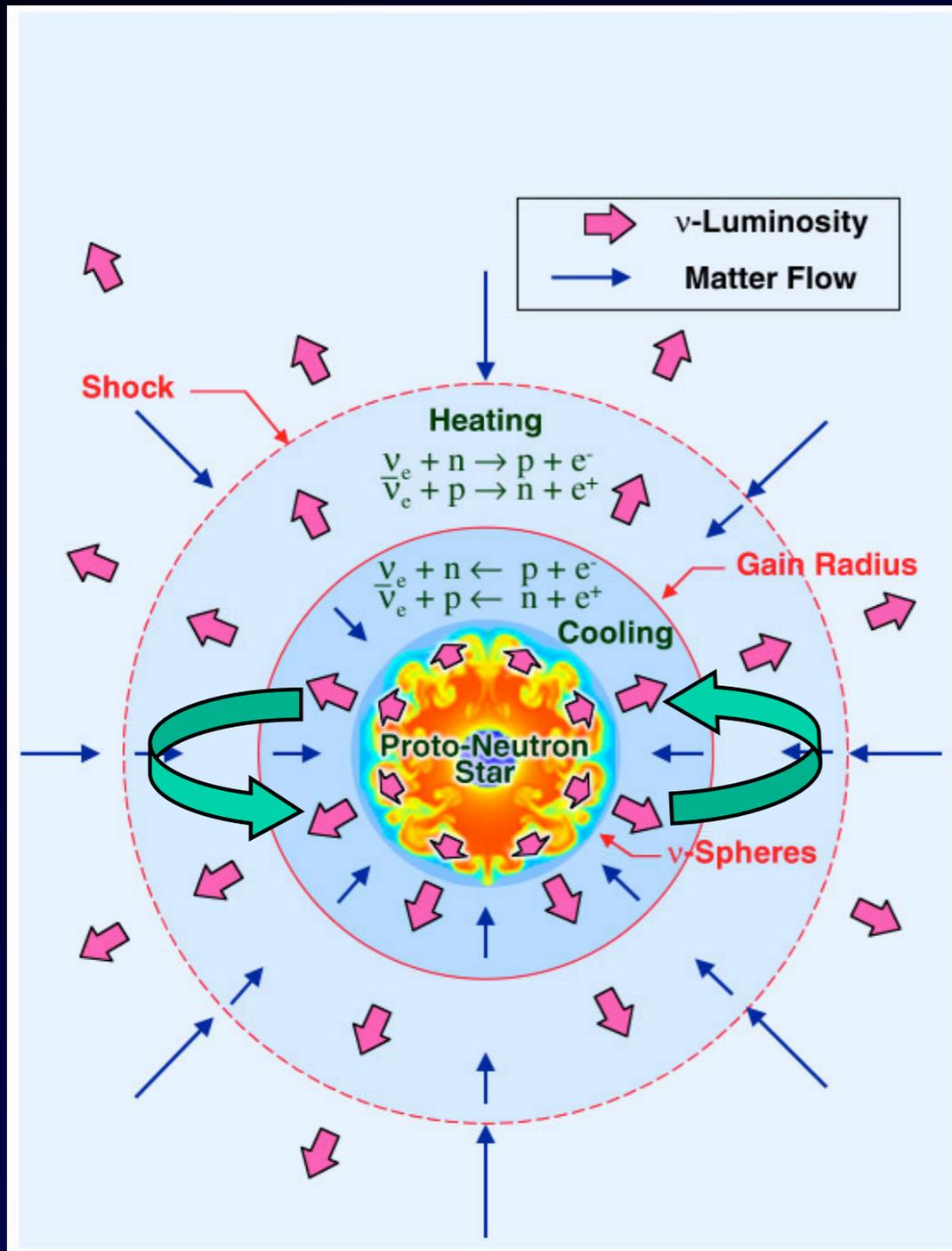
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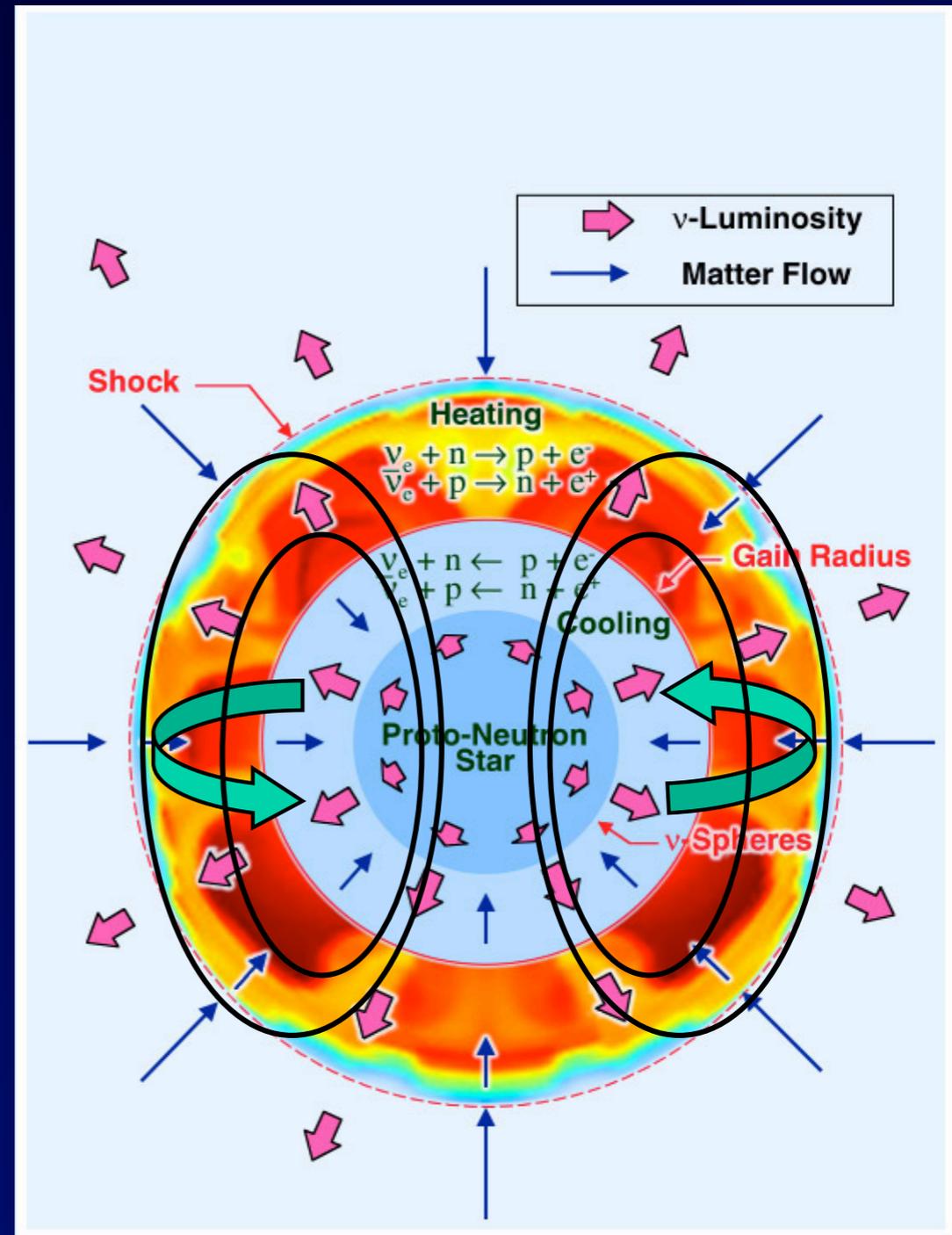
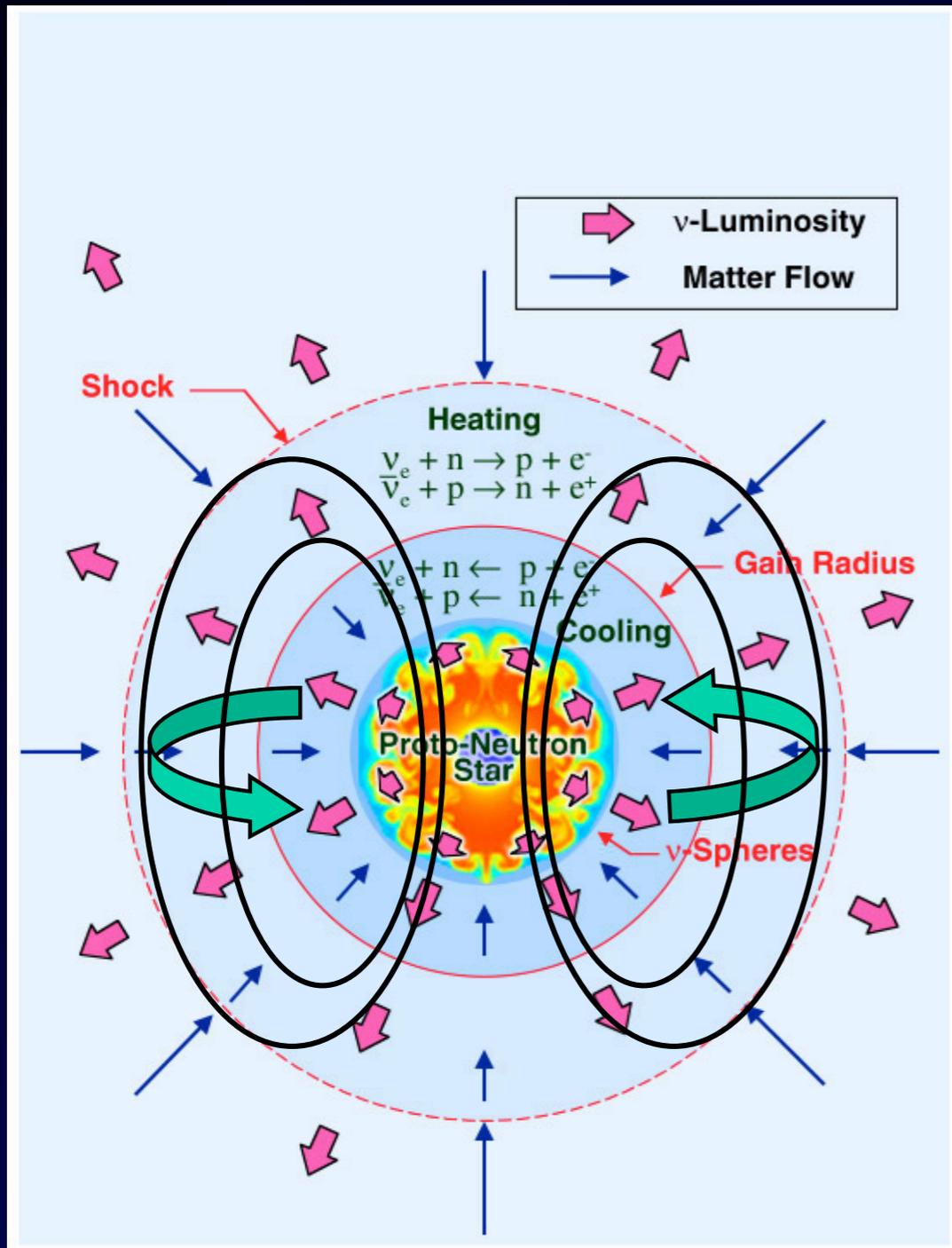
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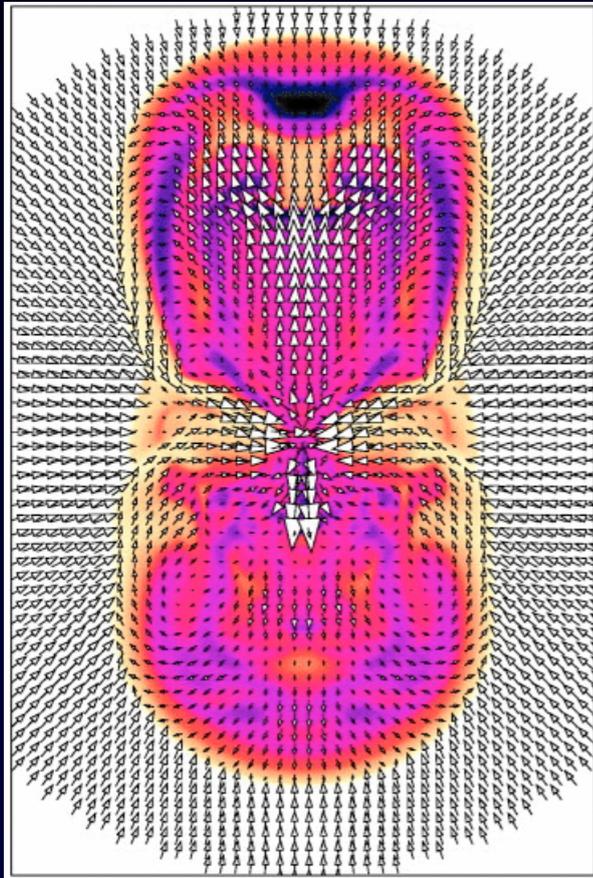
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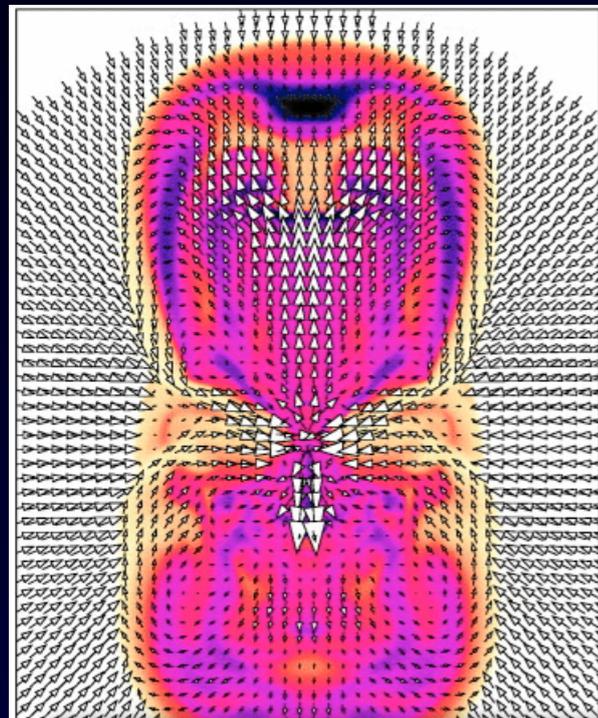
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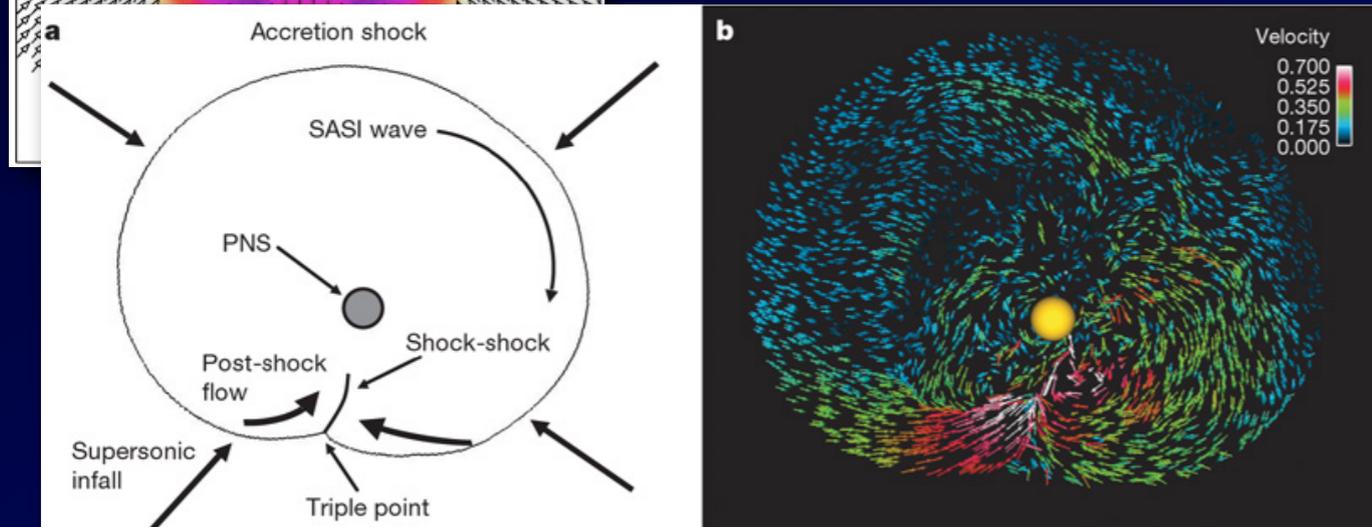
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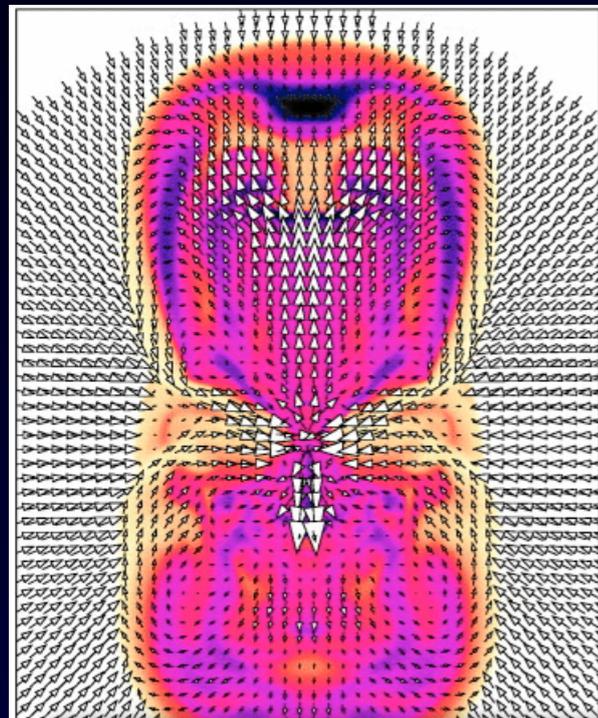


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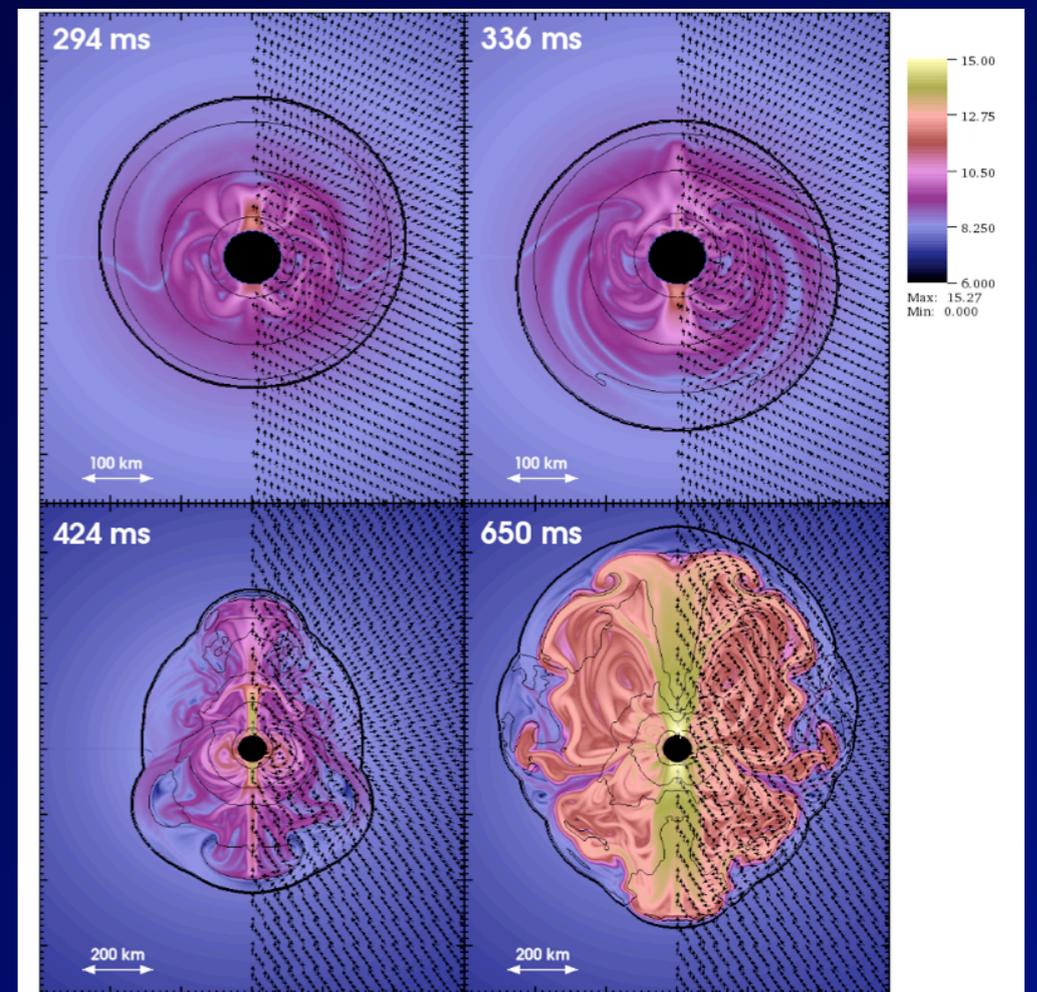
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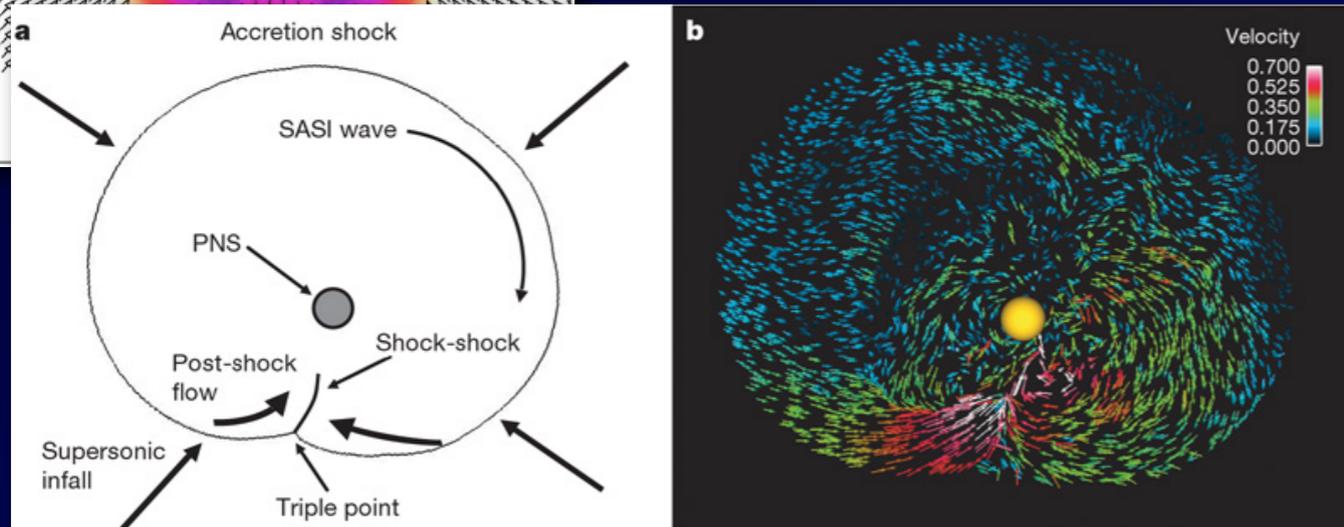


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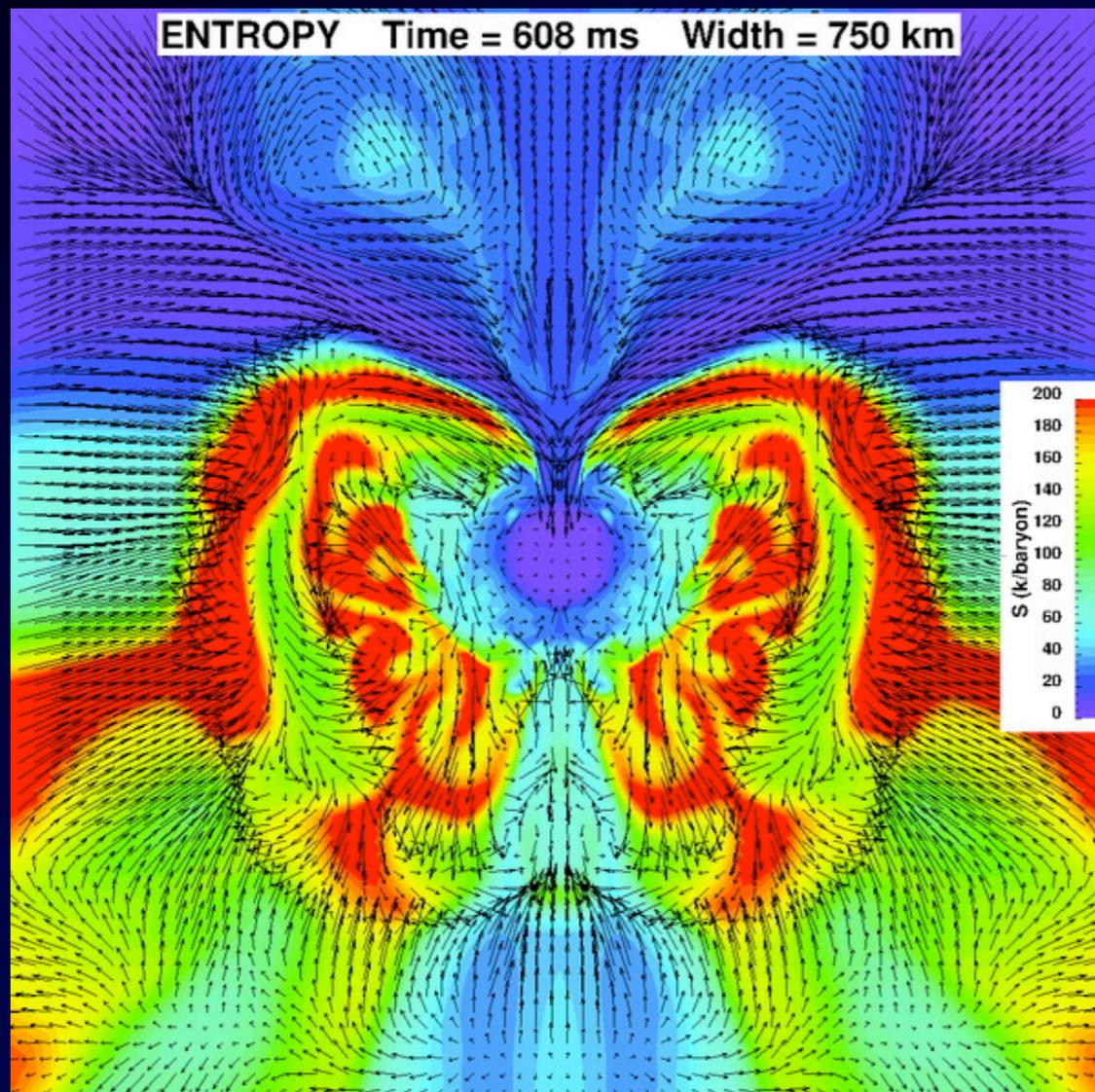
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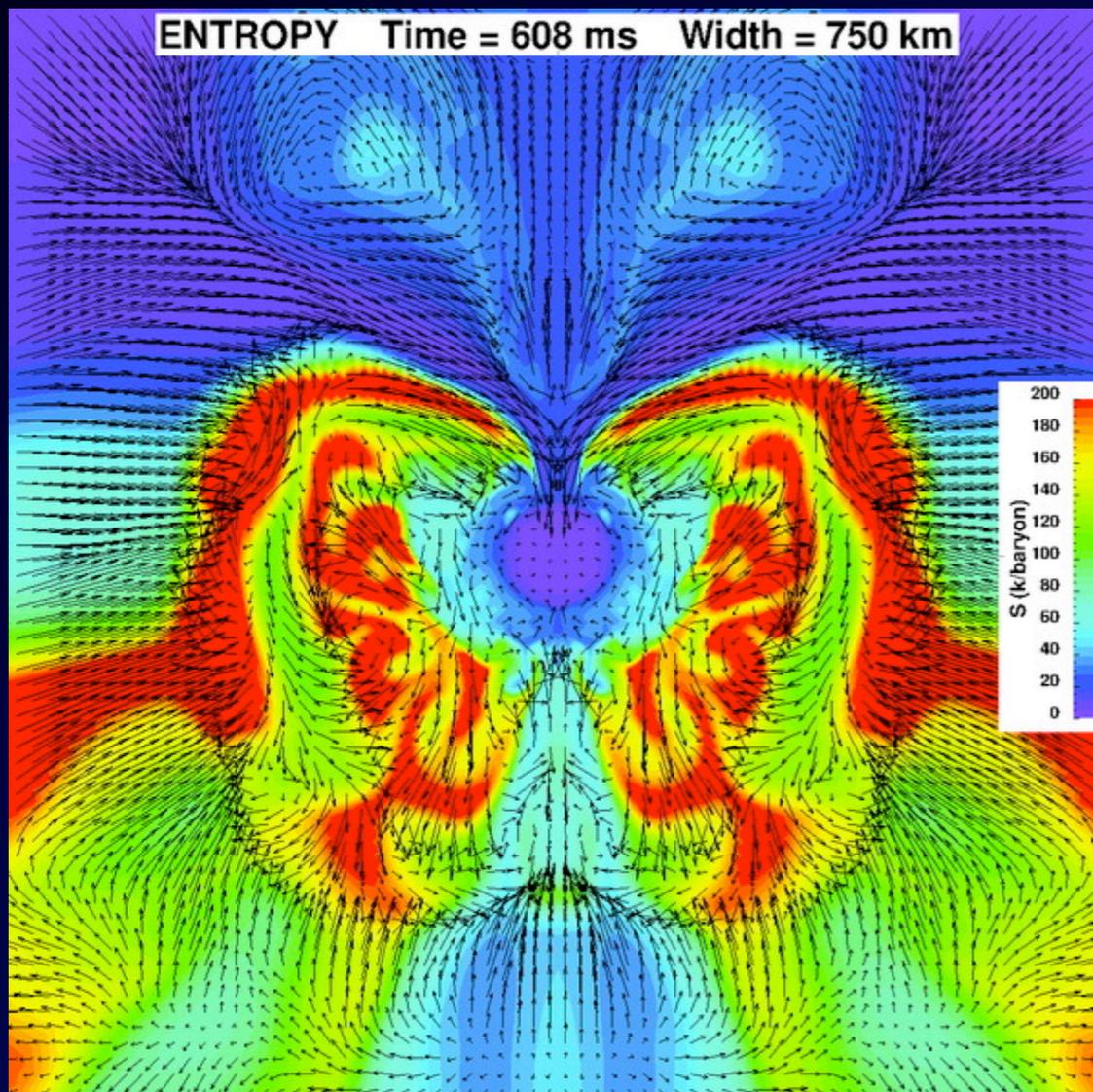
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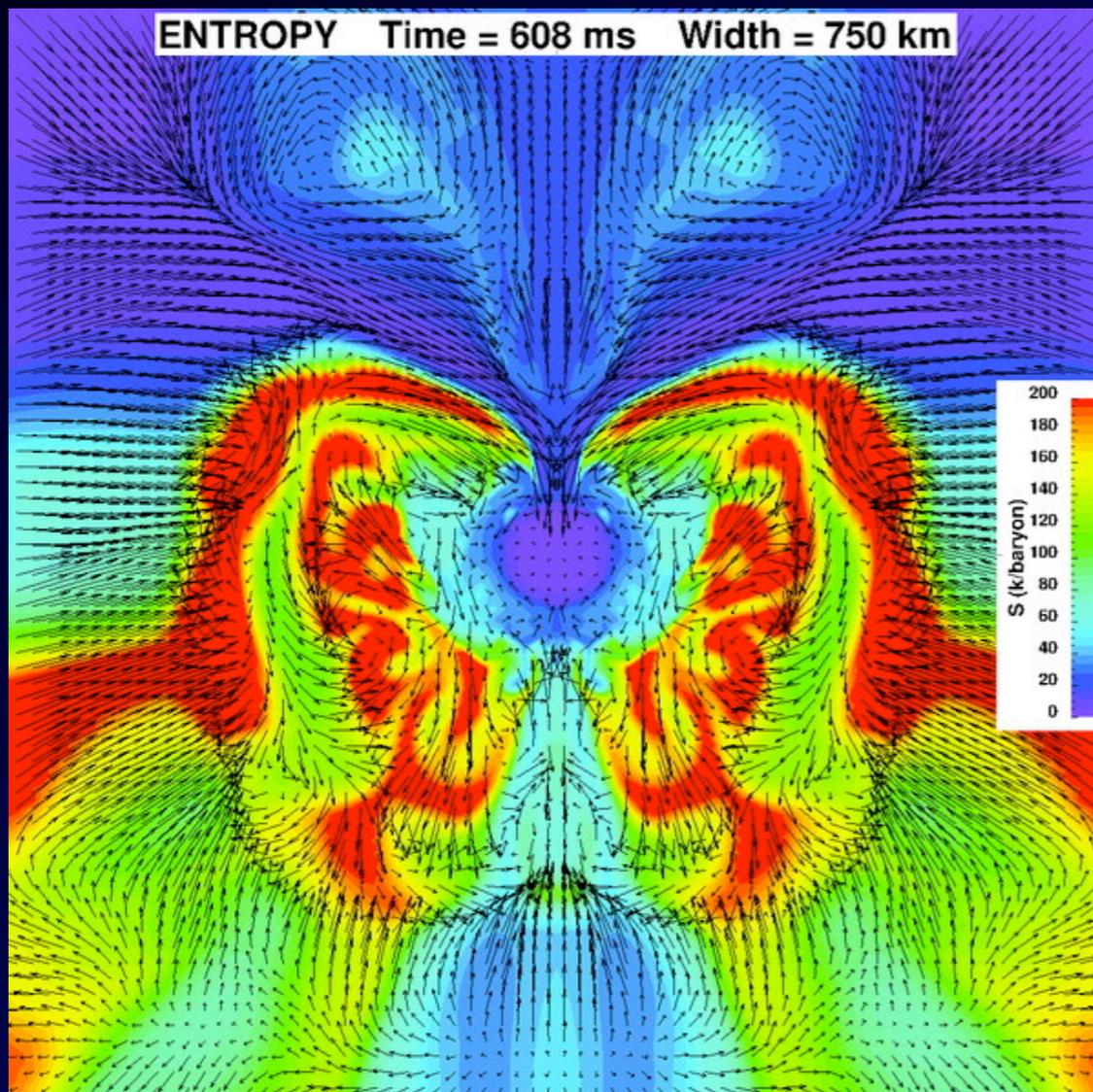
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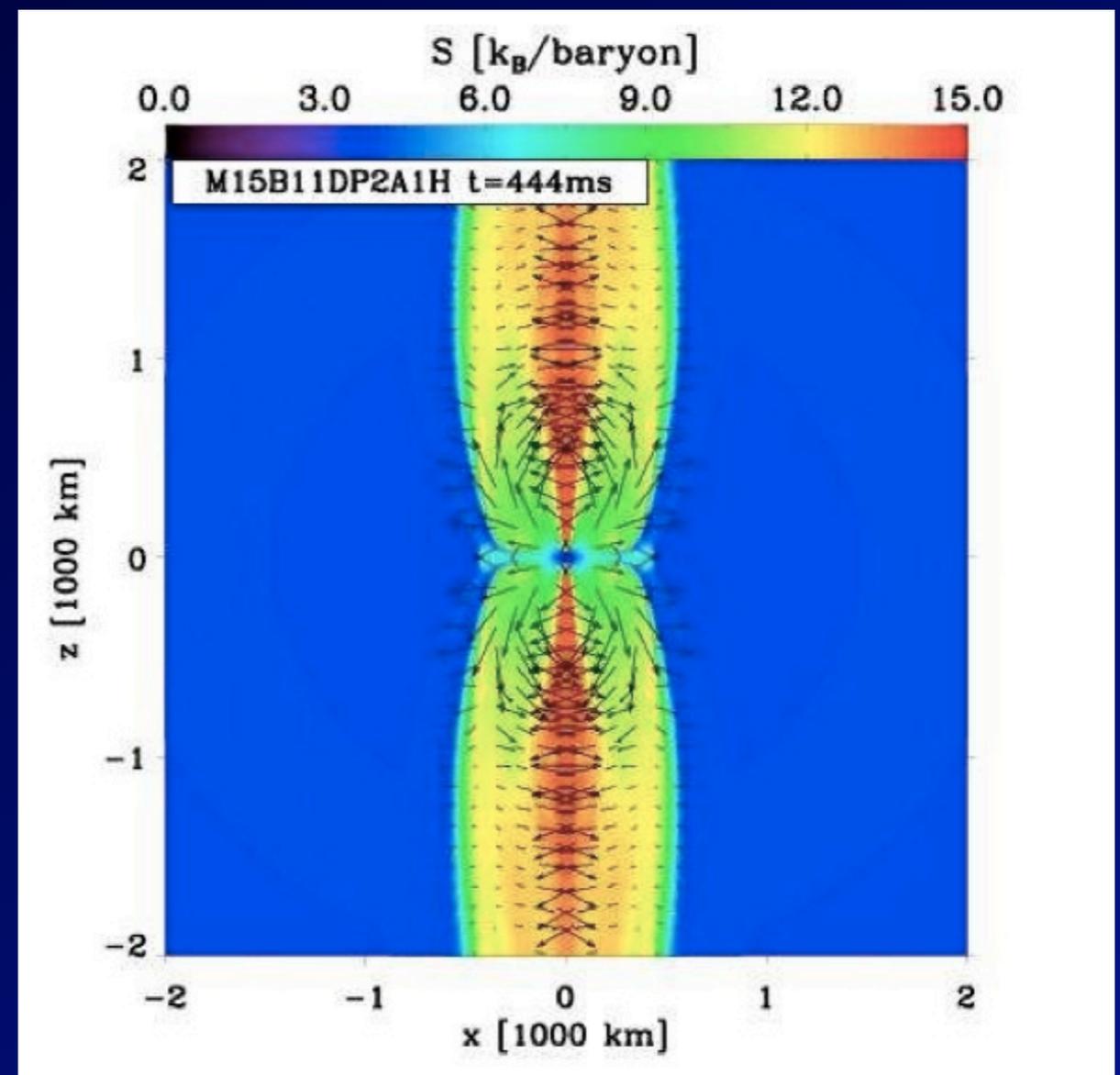
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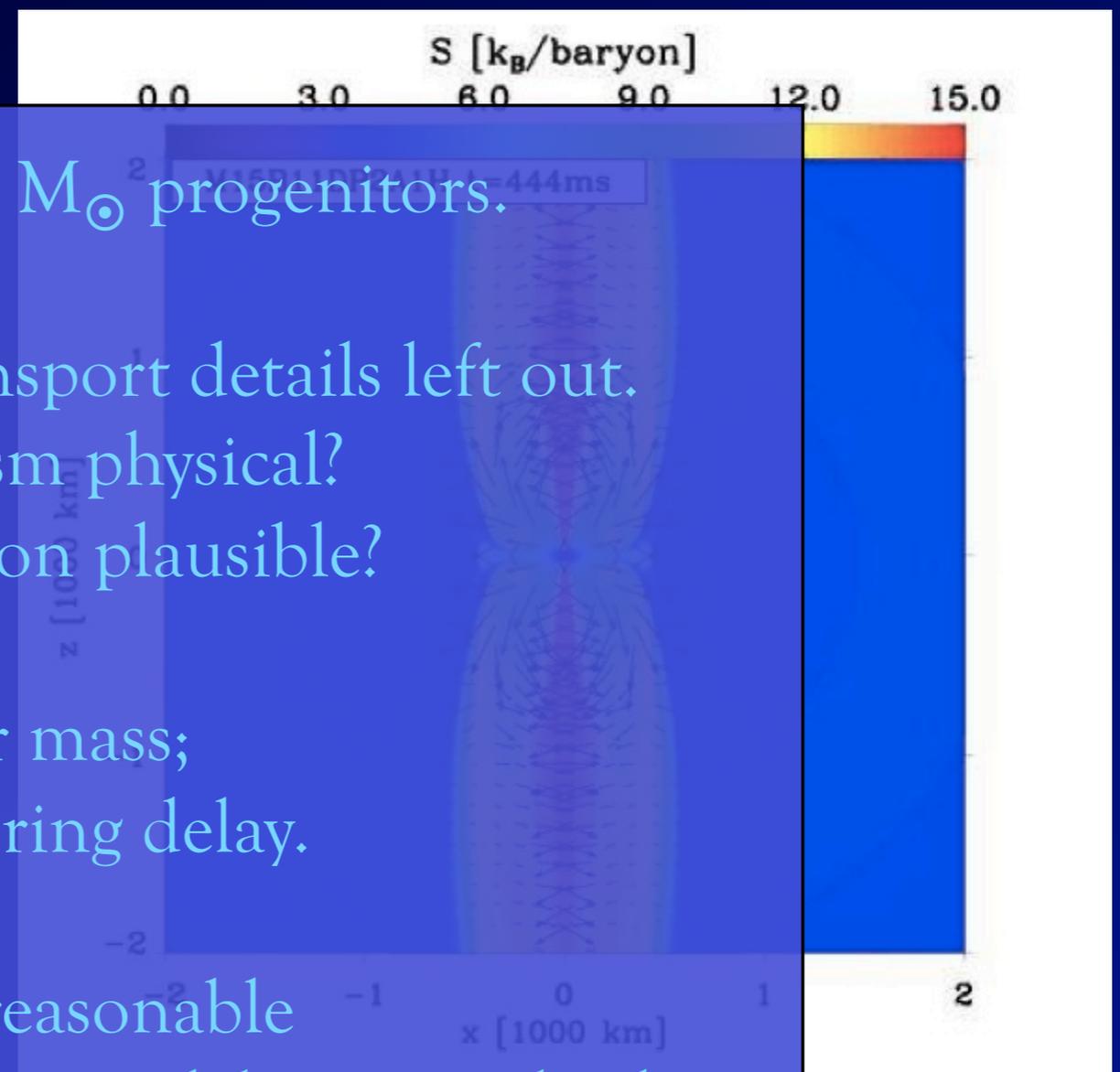
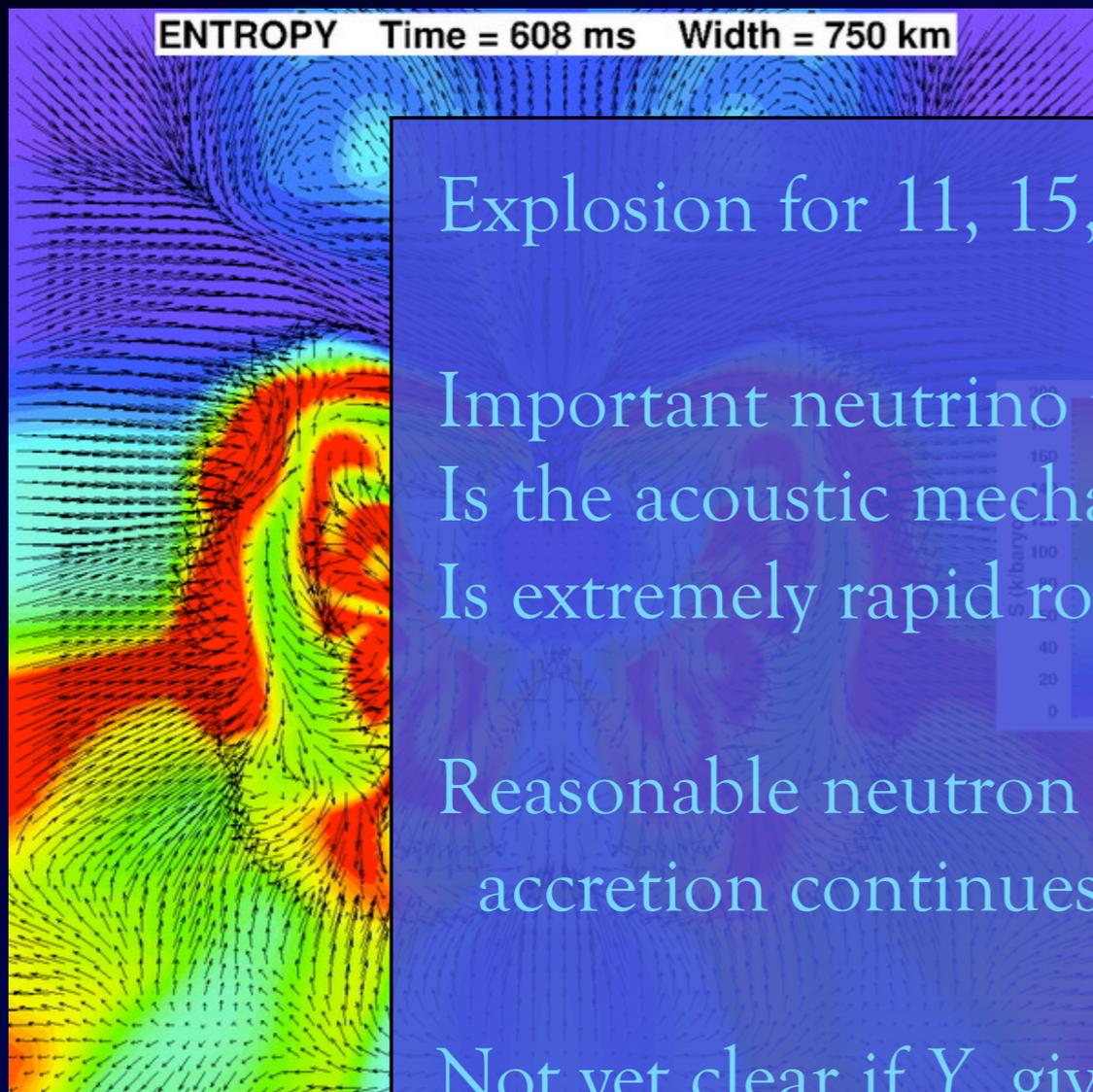
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Explosion for 11, 15, 25 M_{\odot} progenitors.

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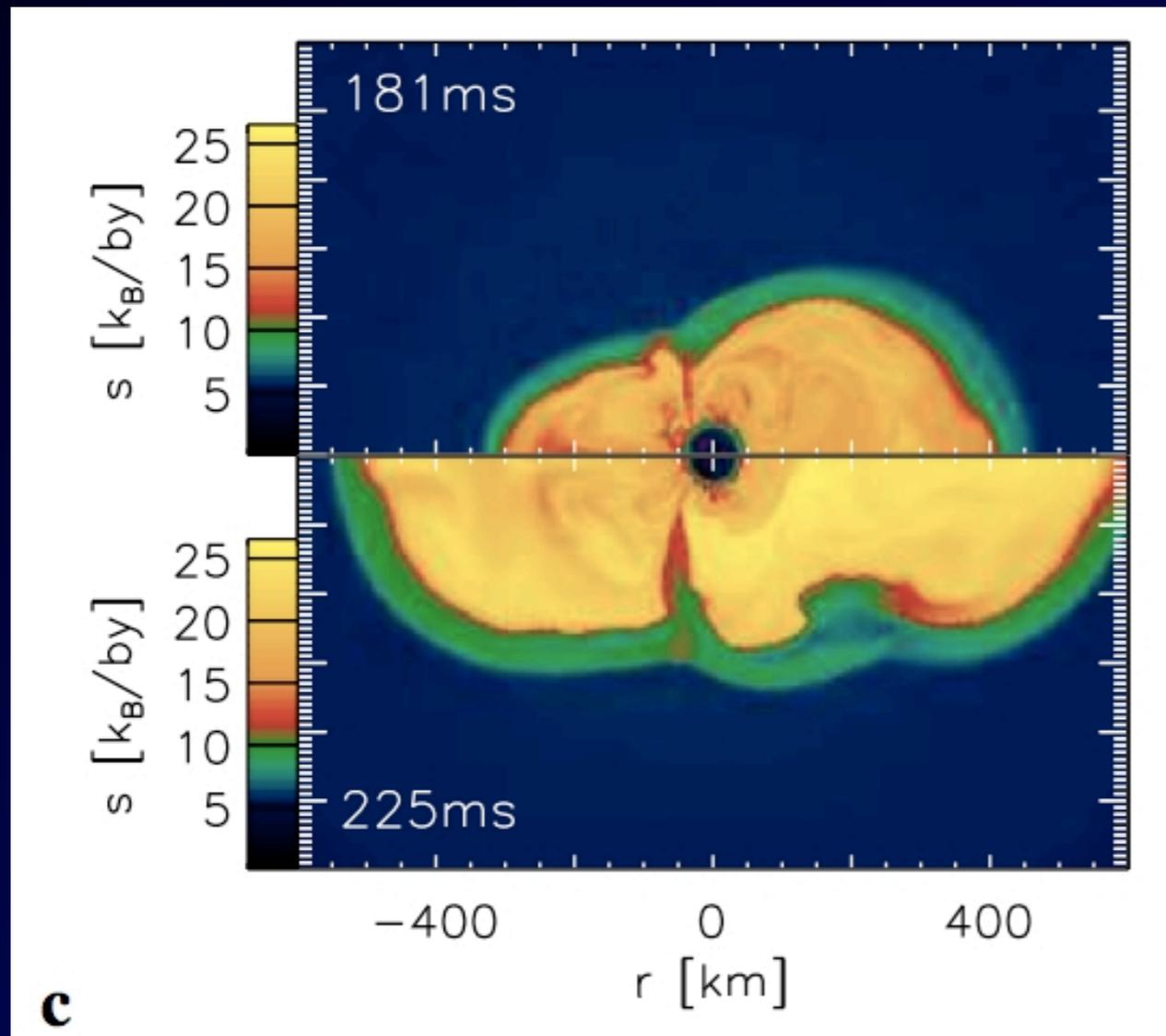
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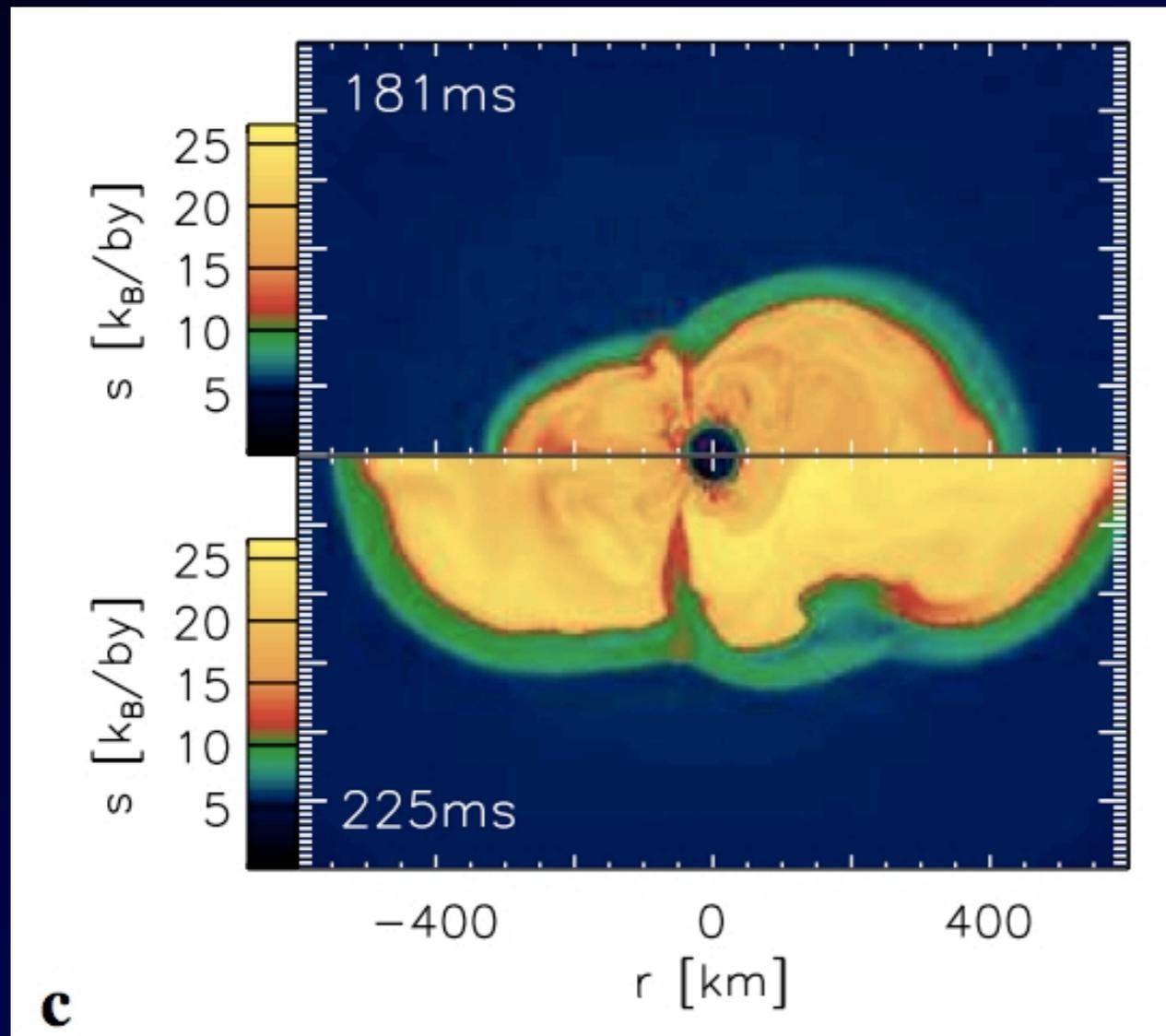
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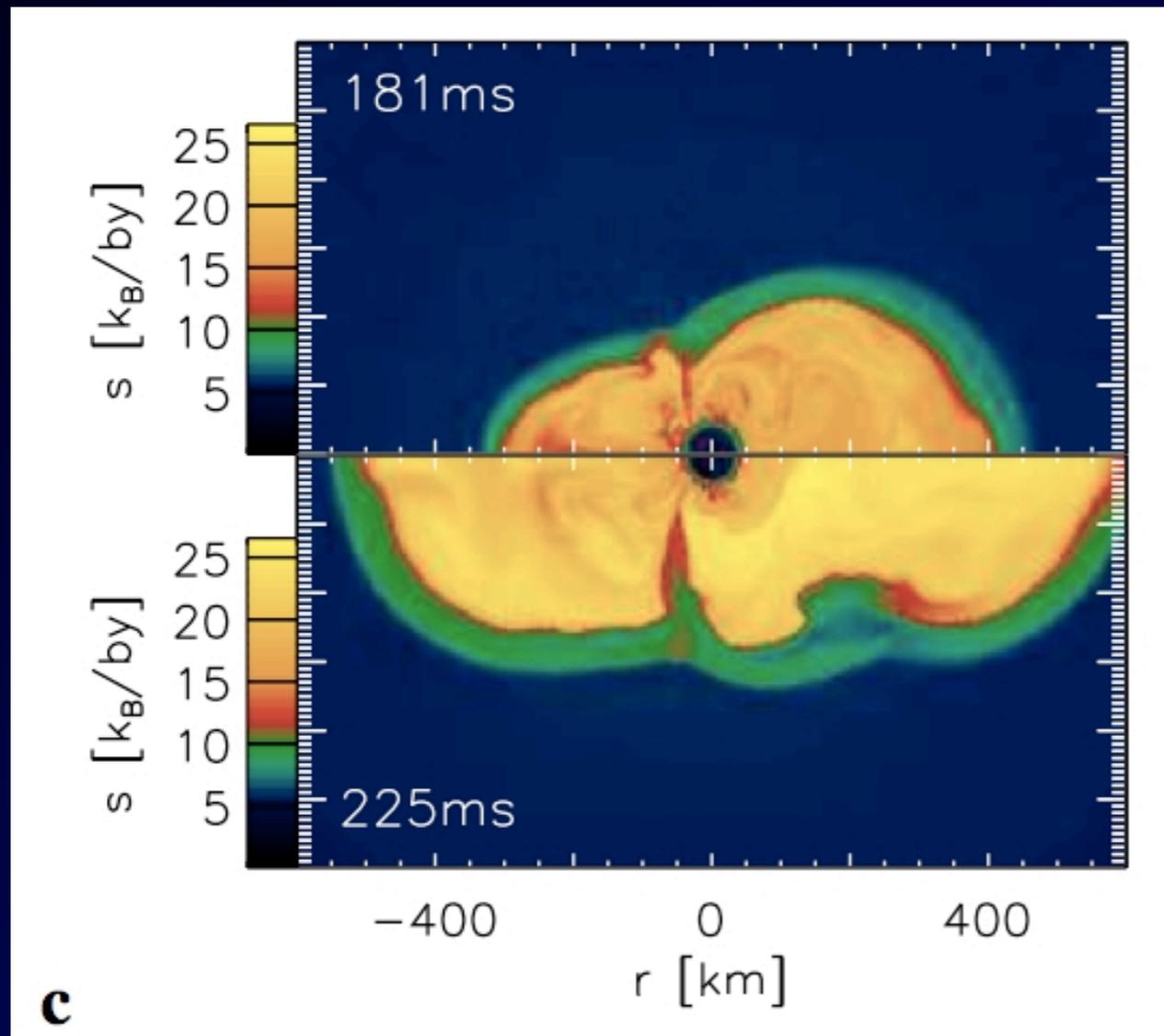
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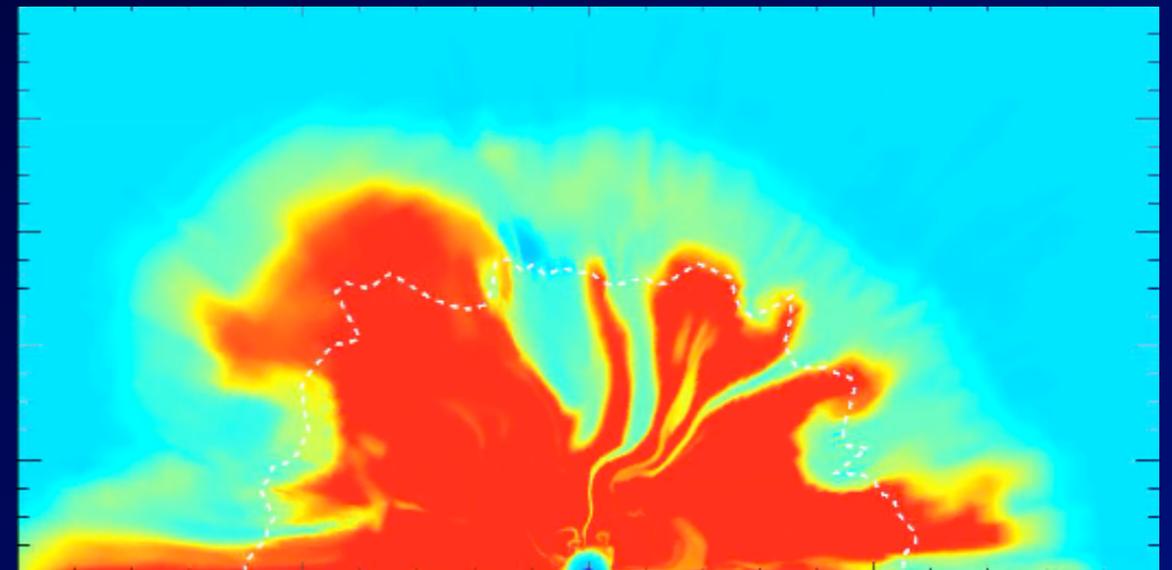
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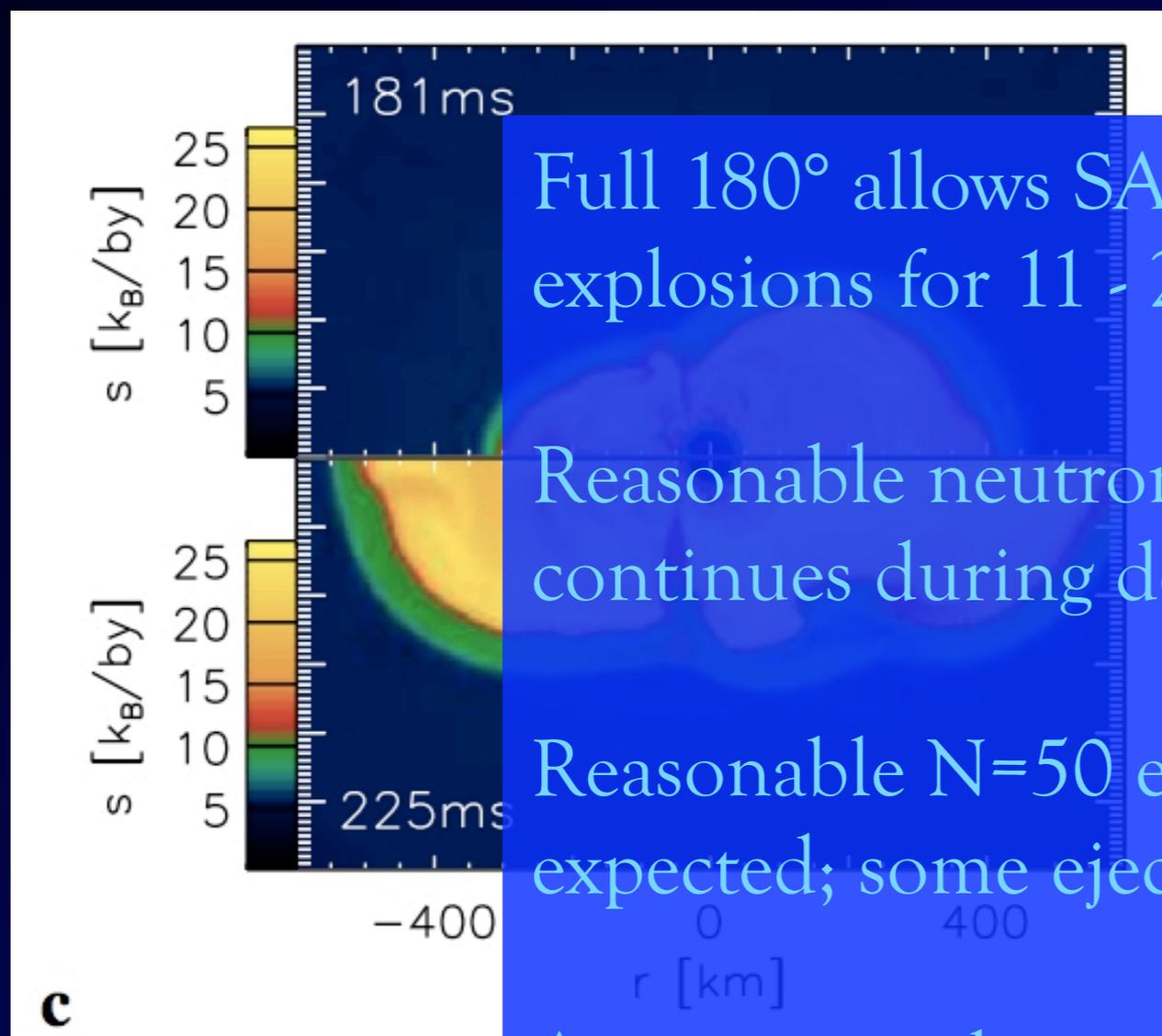
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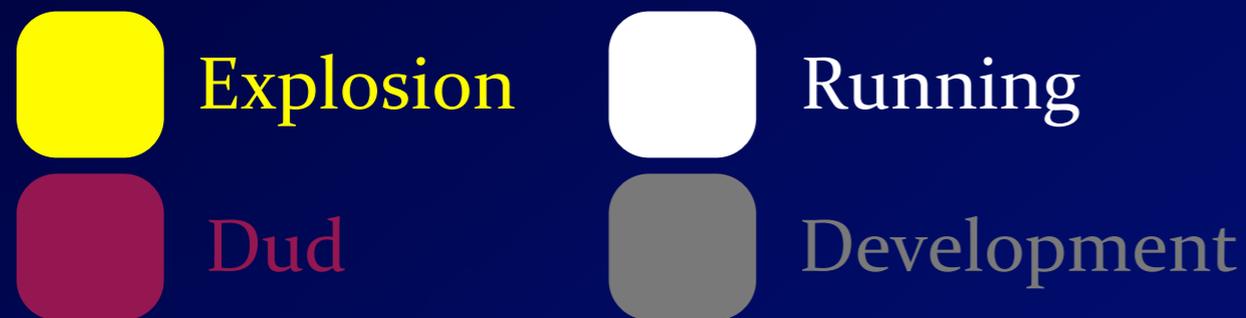
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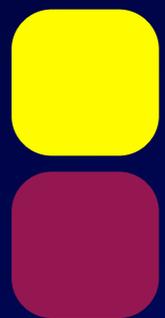
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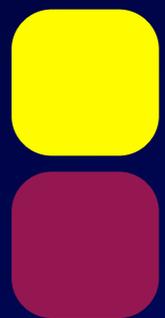


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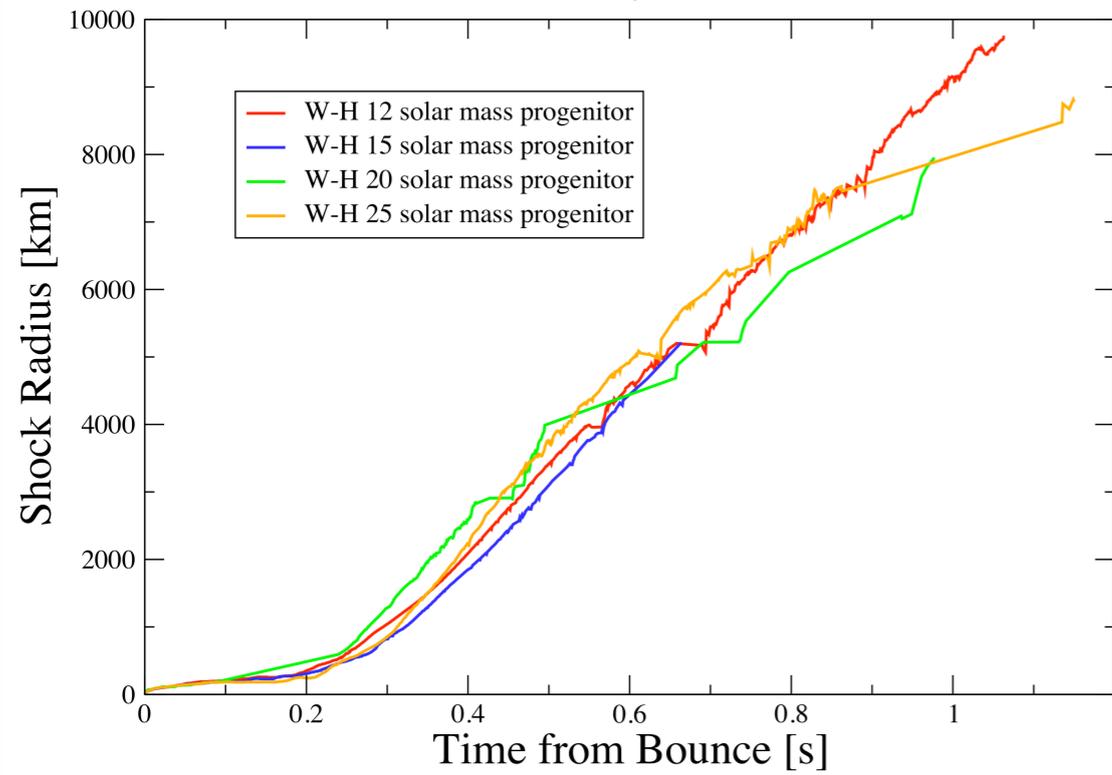


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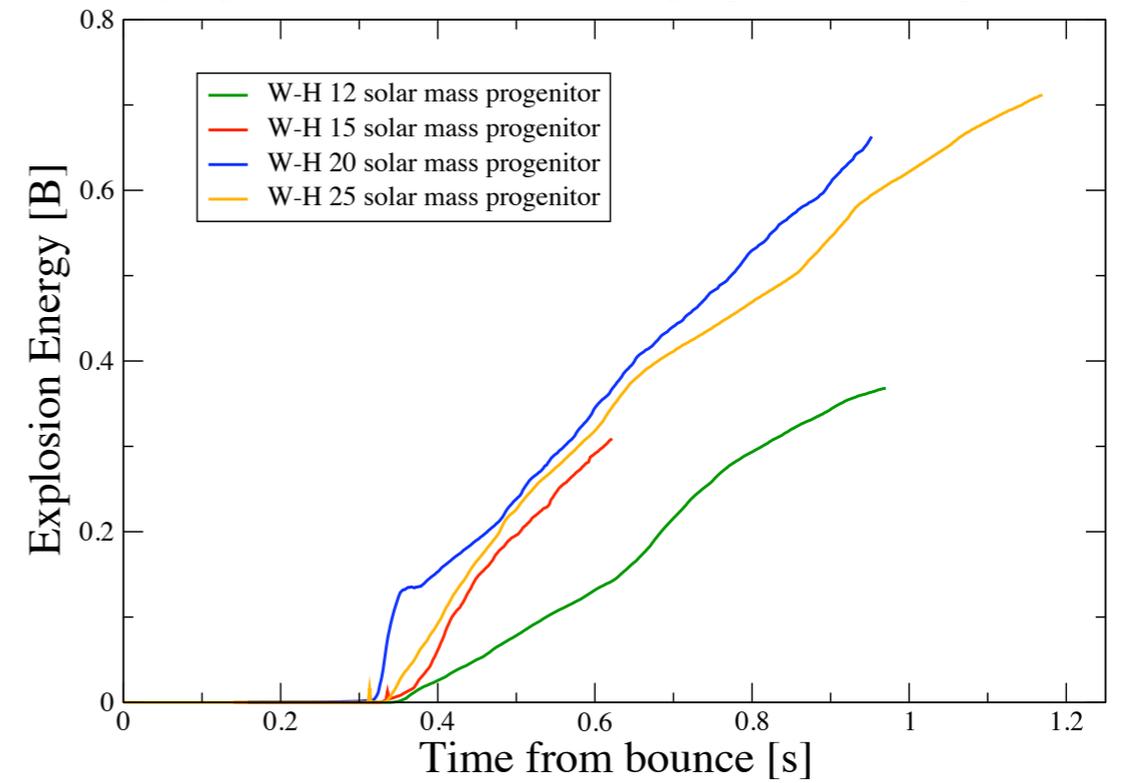
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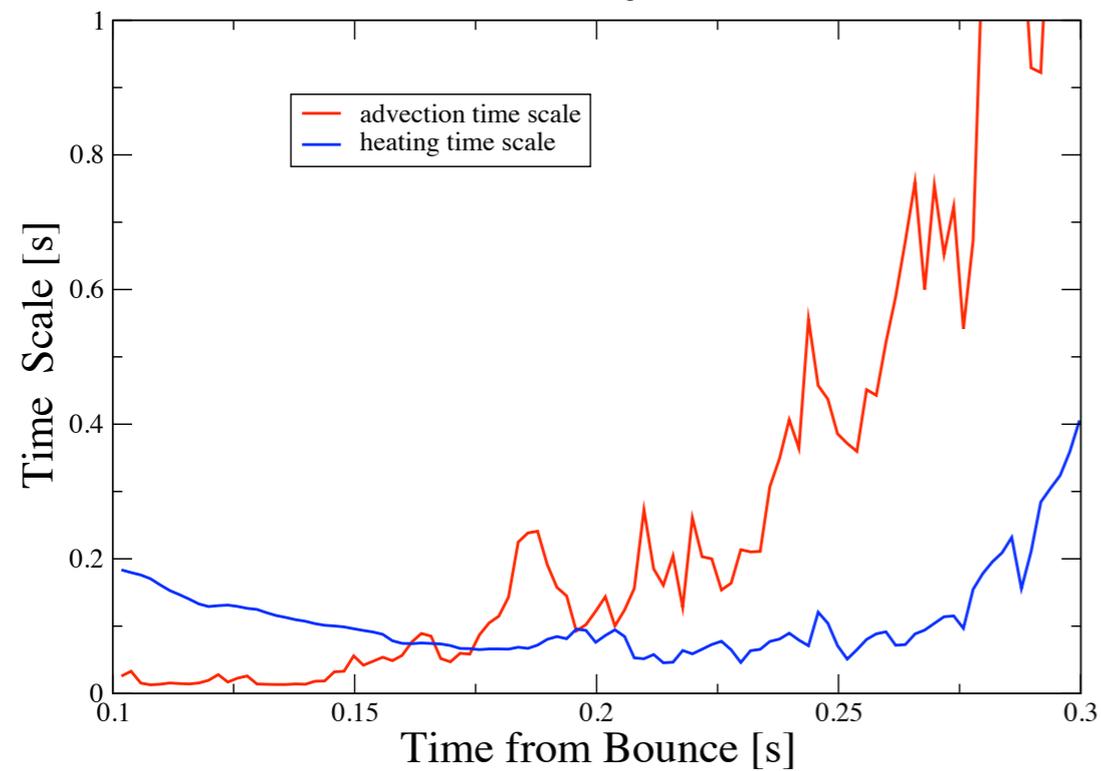
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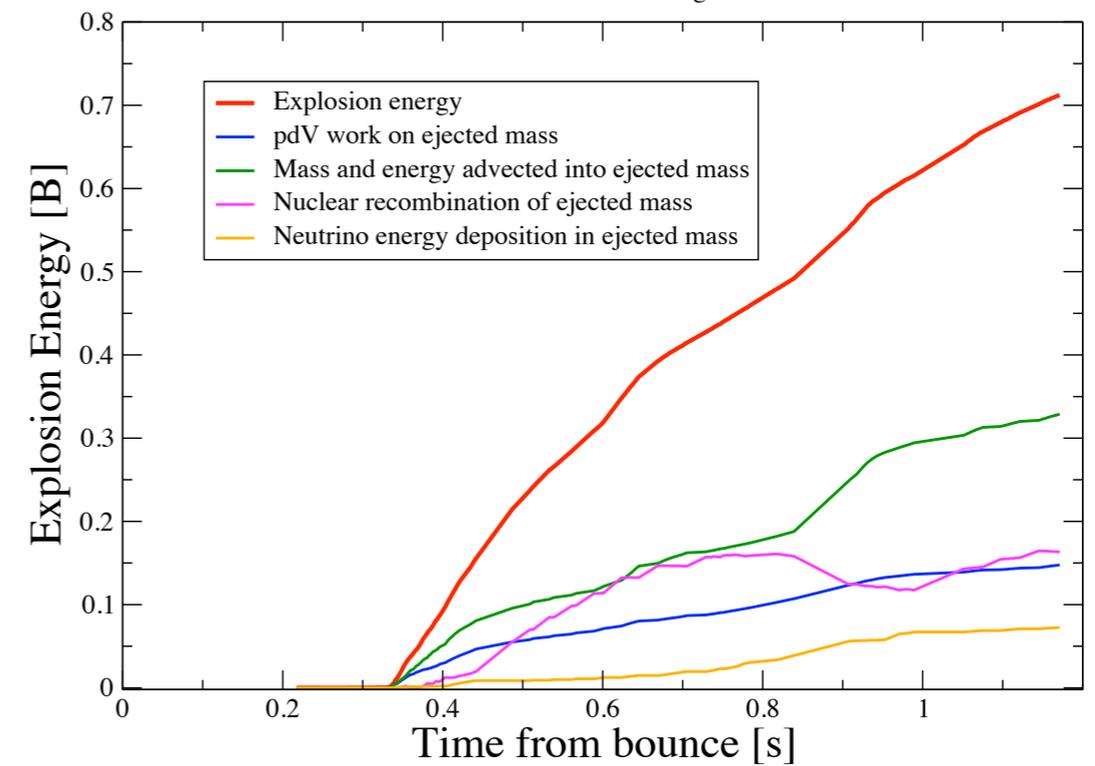
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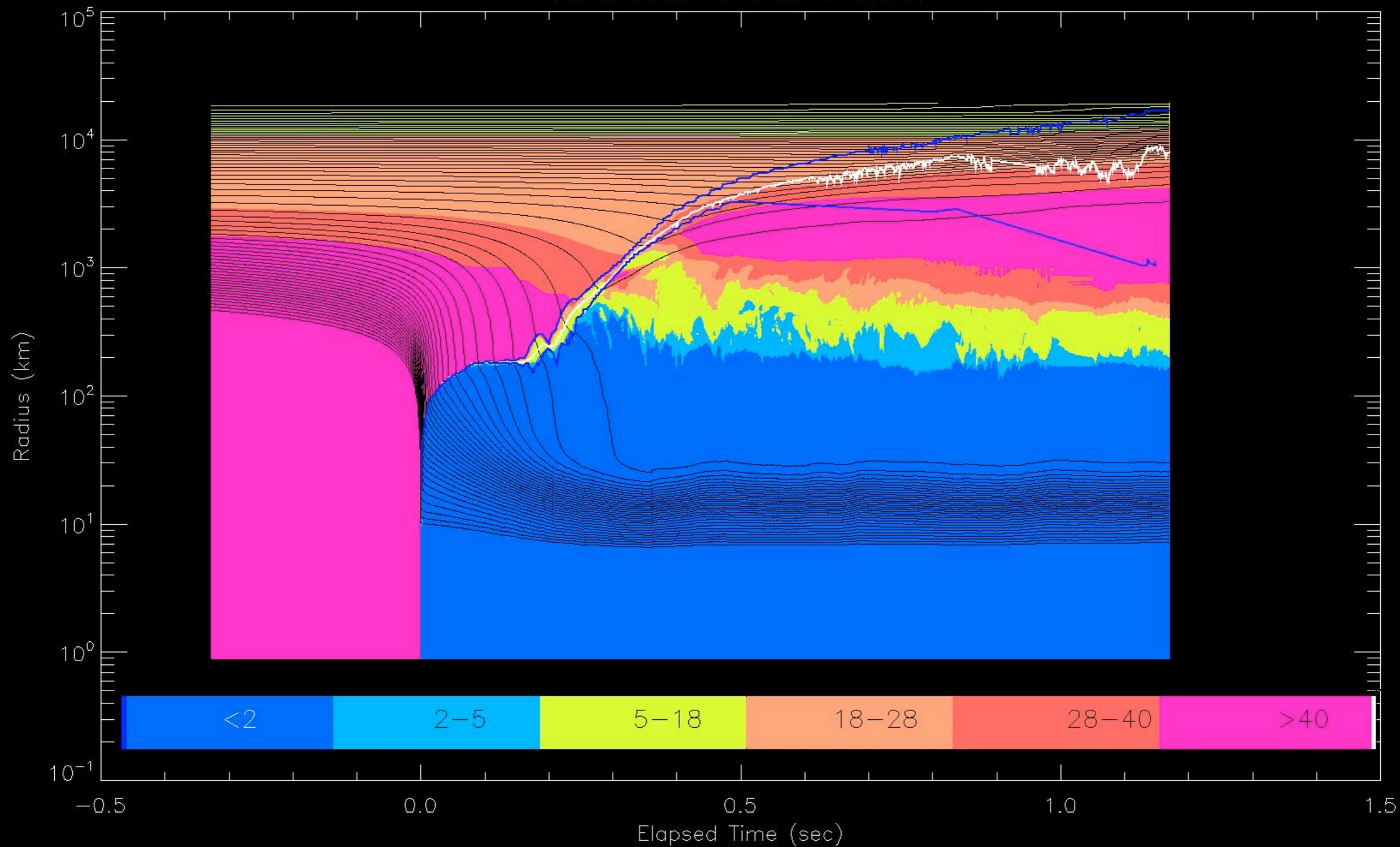


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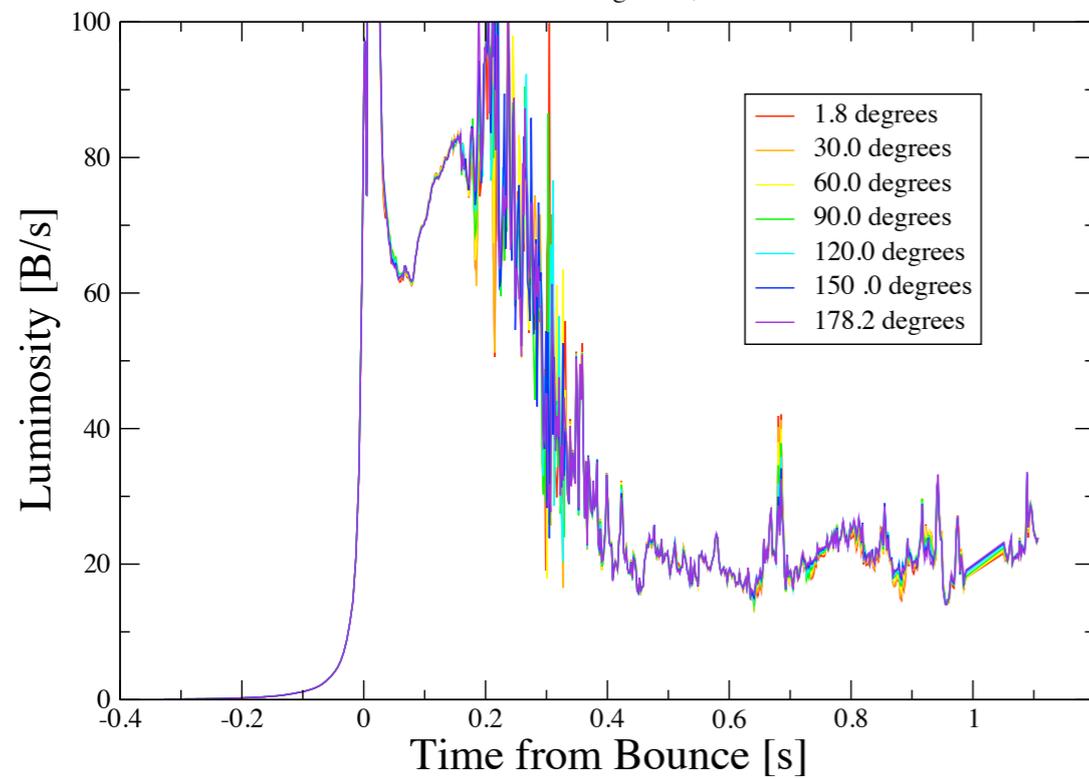


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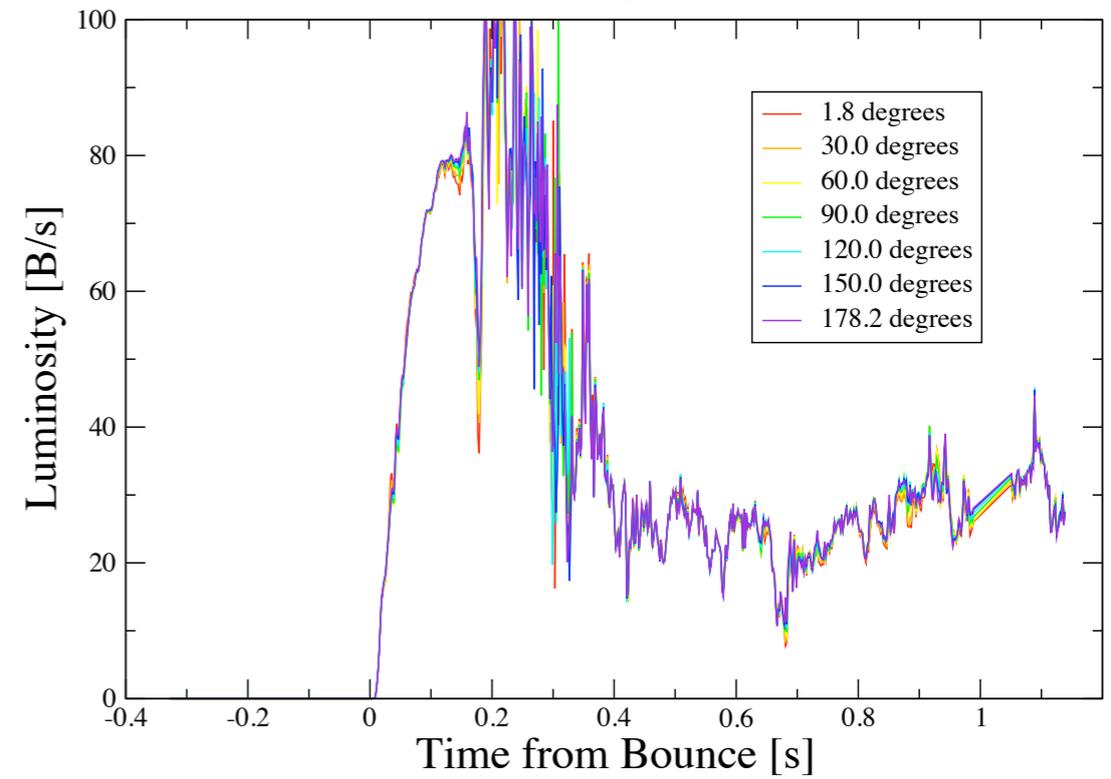
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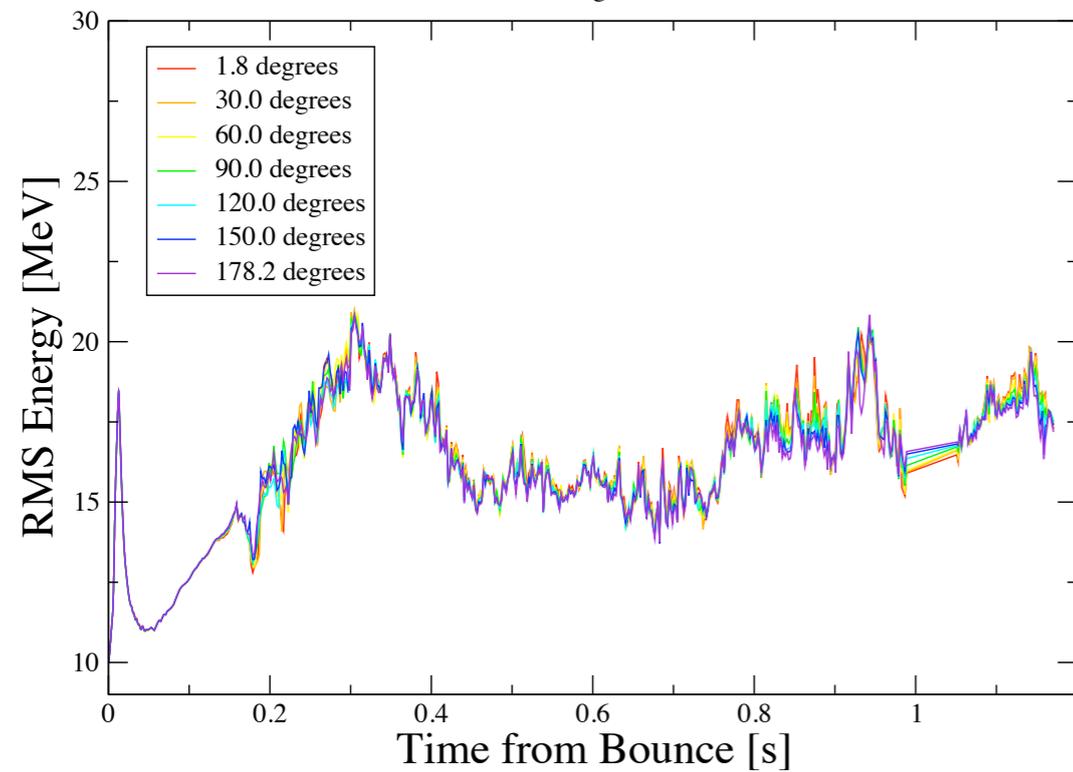
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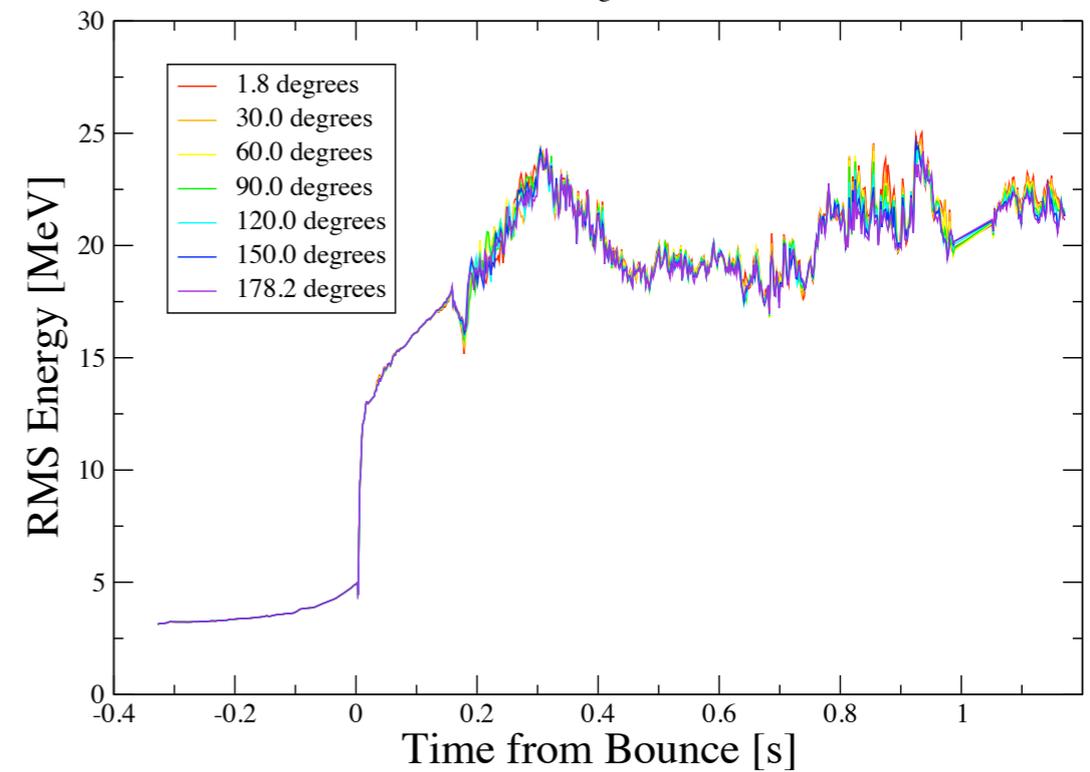
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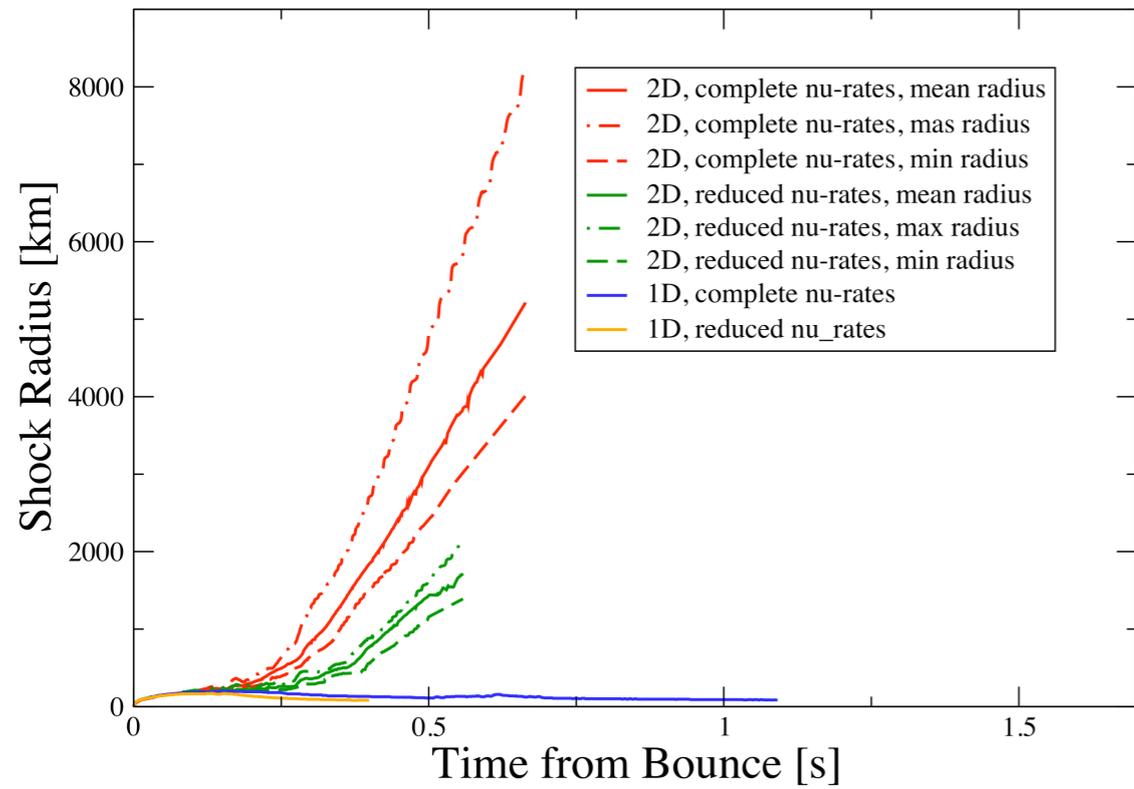
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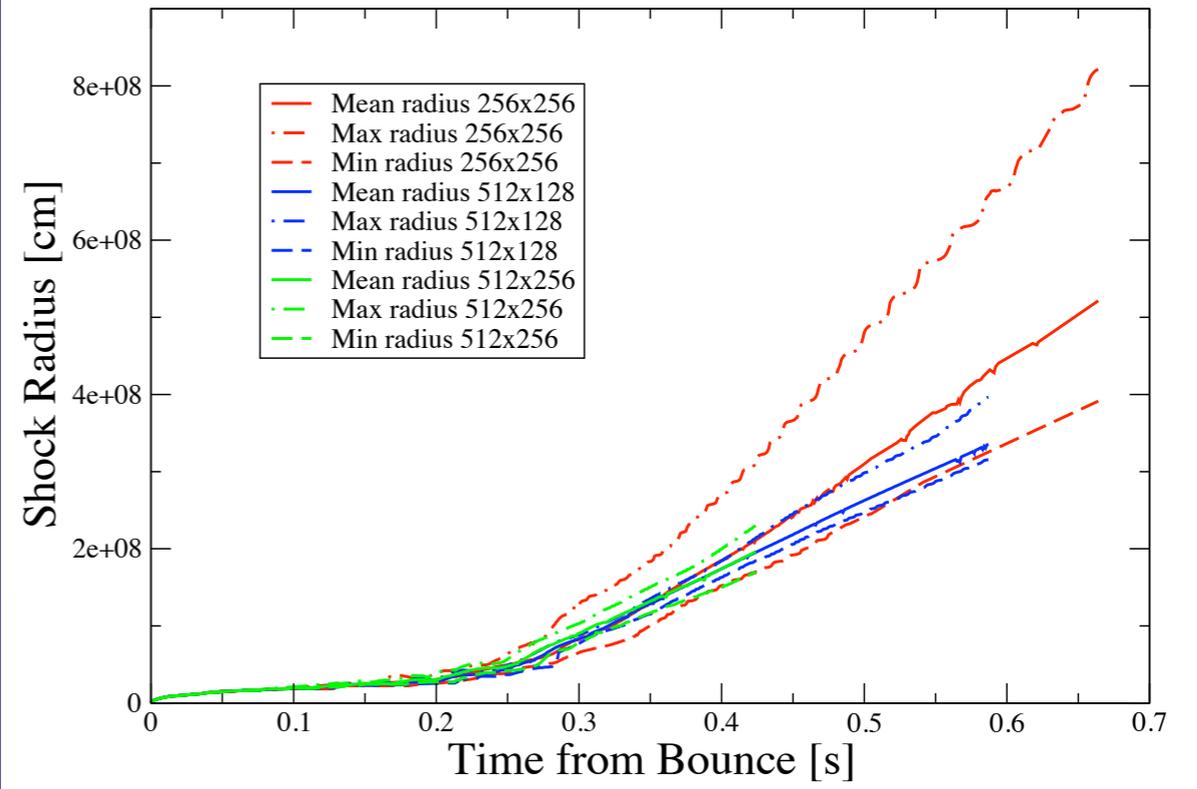
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