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# Evolution of core-collapse supernova from explosion to supernova remnant: The case of SN 1987A

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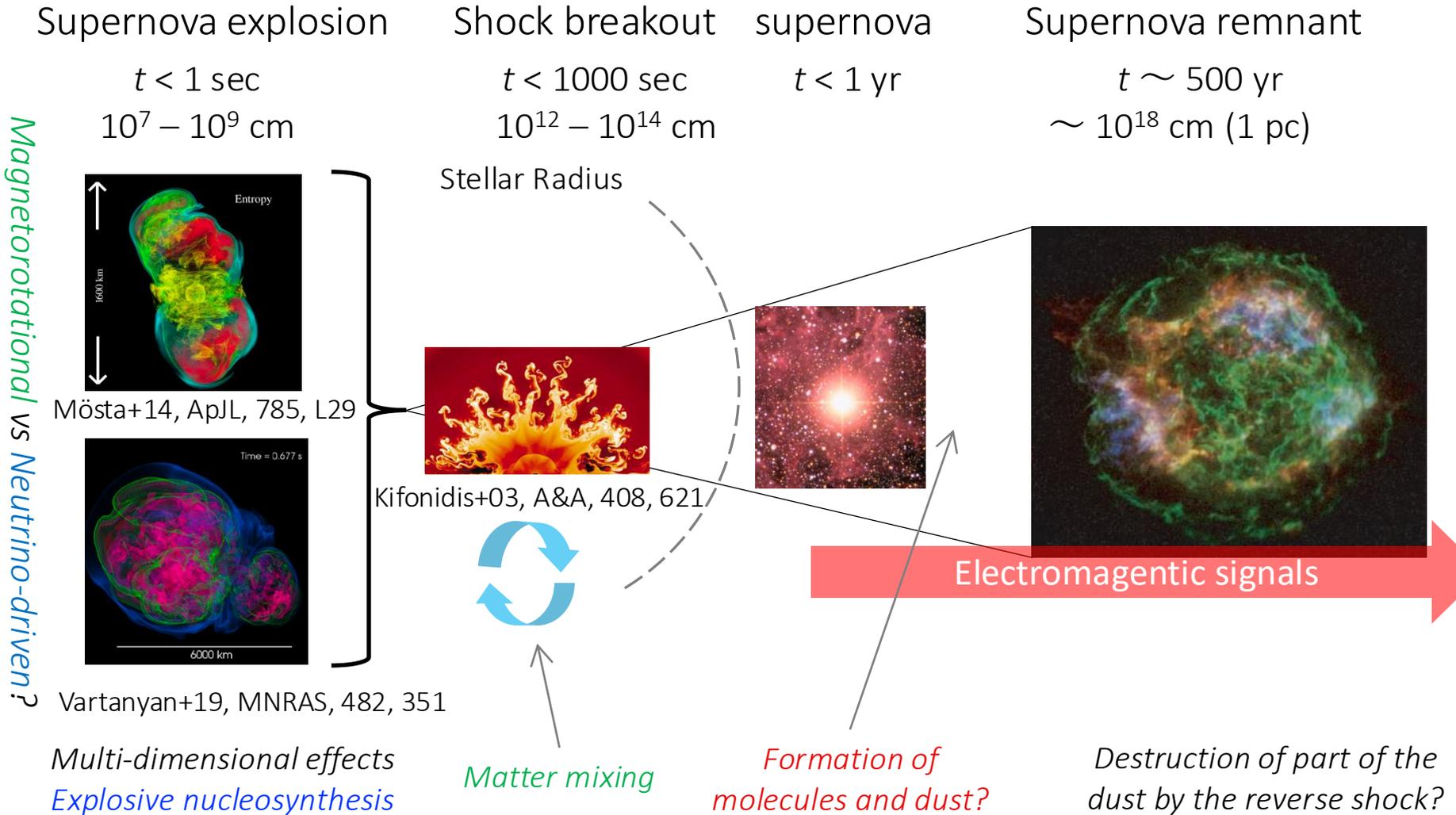
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# Supernova (SN) explosions to their supernova remnants (SNRs)

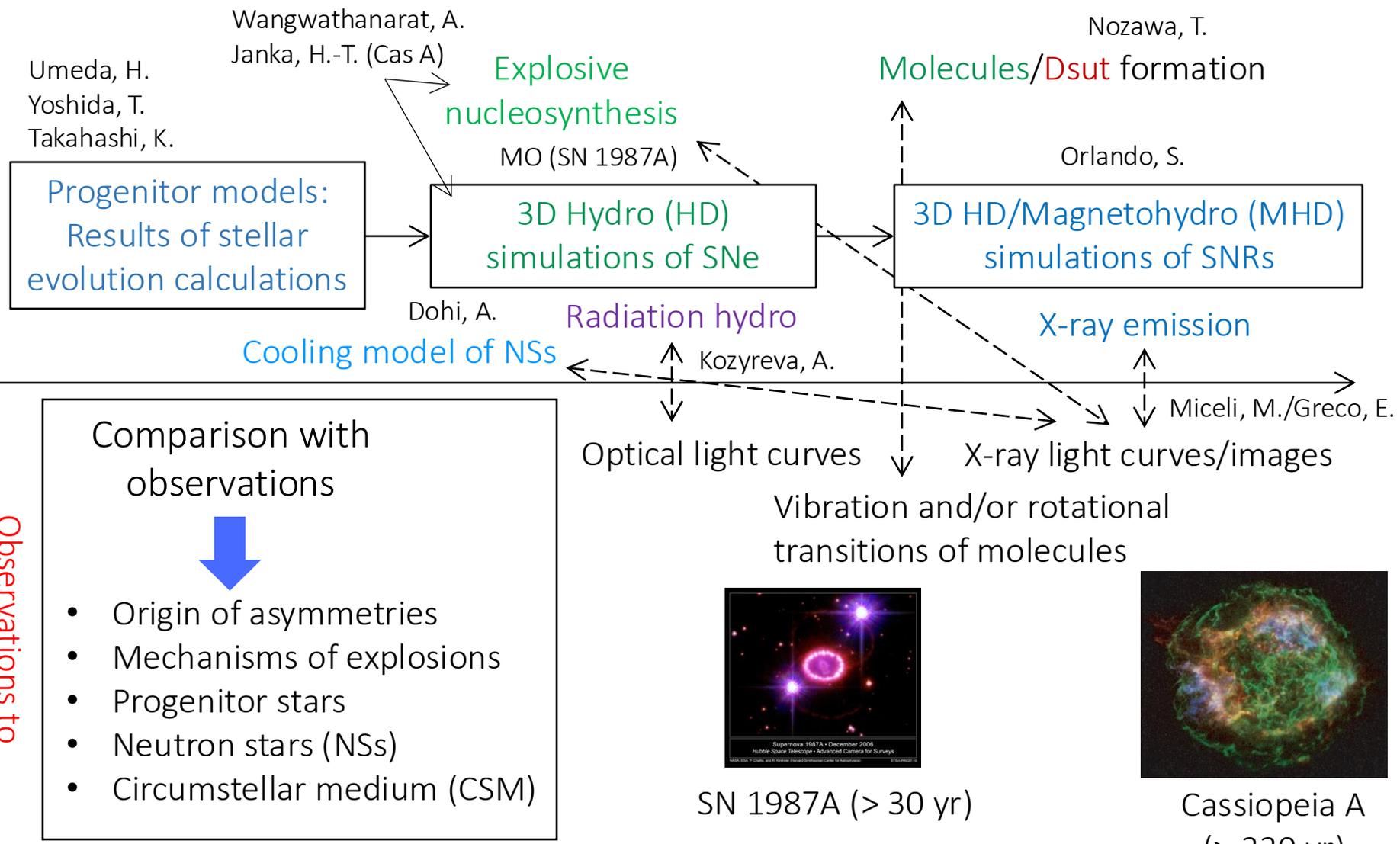


Chemical evolution during the progenitor–SN–SNR sequence is unrevealed

# Our SN-SNR project

Theoretical models

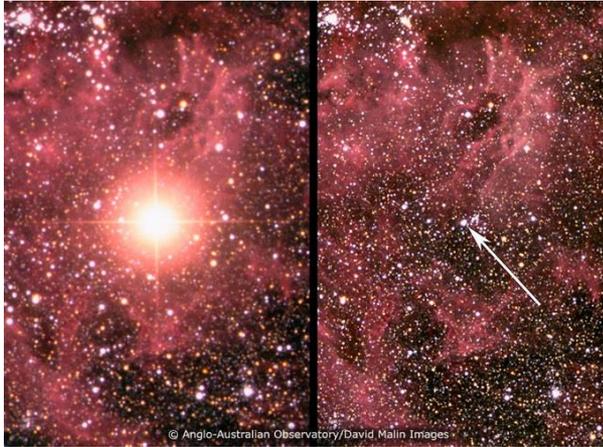
Observations to be compared



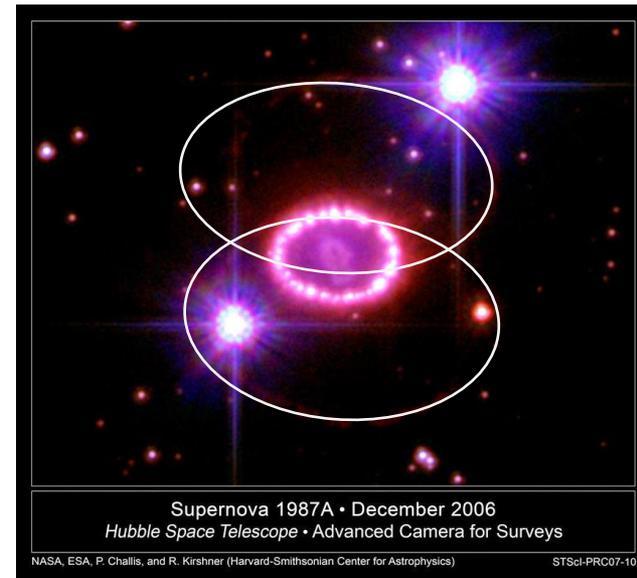
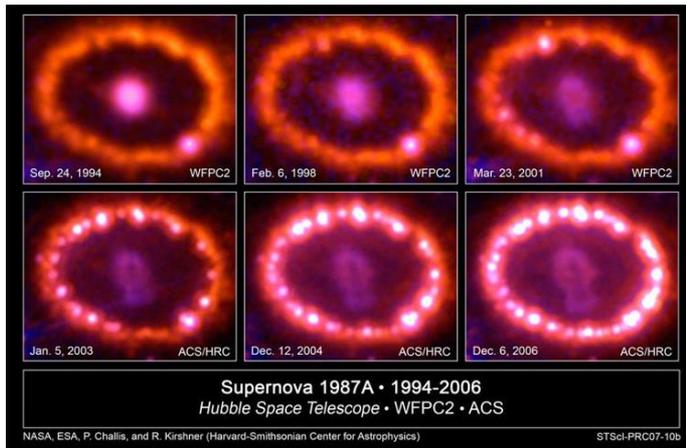
- Comparison with observations
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- Origin of asymmetries
  - Mechanisms of explosions
  - Progenitor stars
  - Neutron stars (NSs)
  - Circumstellar medium (CSM)

*Unraveling progenitor-SN-SNR connection*

# Supernova 1987A (SN 1987A)



- Basic observational features of SN 1987A
  - SN @ LMC on 23 Feb., 1987
  - Neutrinos from the SN were detected by Kamiokande
  - Triple-ring nebula

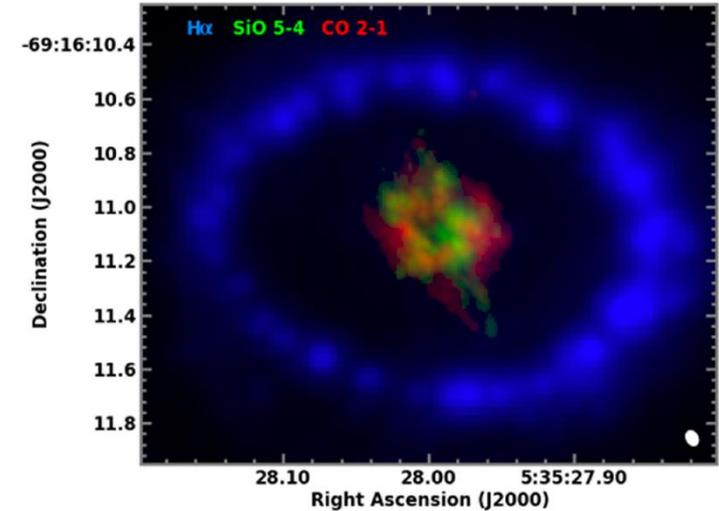
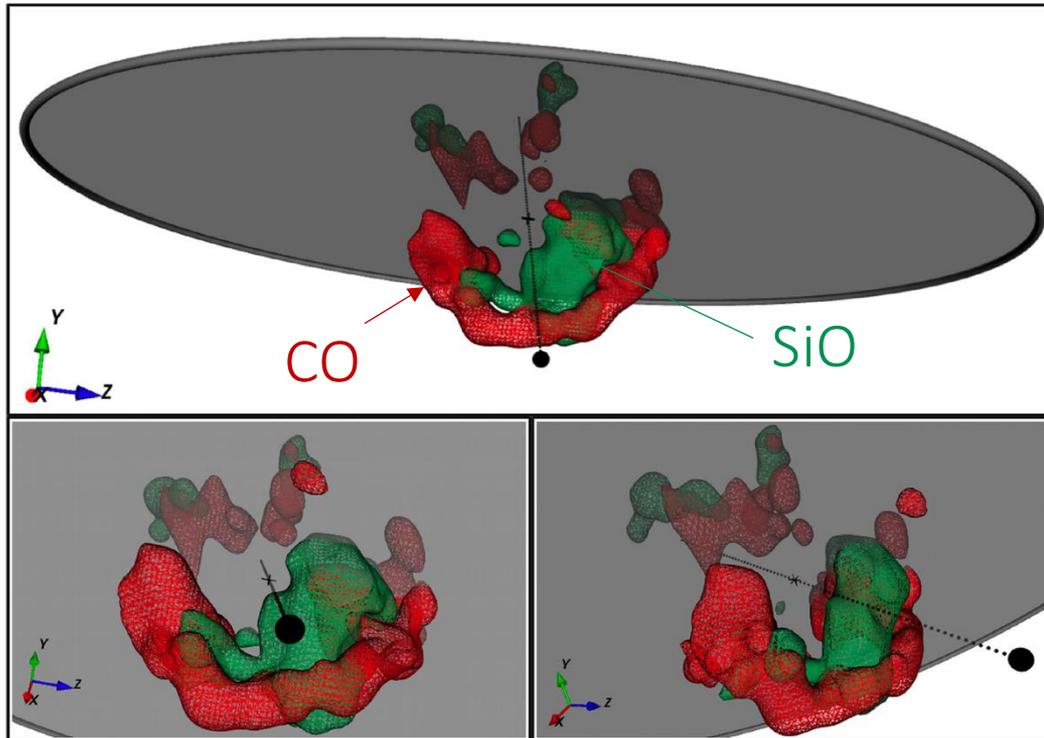


More than 30 years ( $\sim 38$  years) have passed since the discovery;  
SN 1987A has entered a phase of *young SNR*

# Distribution of molecular gas viewed in 3D

[Abellán+2017, ApJ, 842, L24]

ALMA observations of CO  $J = 2 - 1$ , SiO  $J = 5 - 4$ ,  $6 - 5$  rotational transitions



**Figure 1.** Molecular emission and H $\alpha$  emission from SN 1987A. The more compact emission in the center of the image corresponds to the peak intensity maps of CO 2–1 (red) and SiO 5–4 (green) observed with ALMA. The surrounding H $\alpha$  emission (blue) observed with *HST* shows the location of the circumstellar equatorial ring (Larsson et al. 2016).

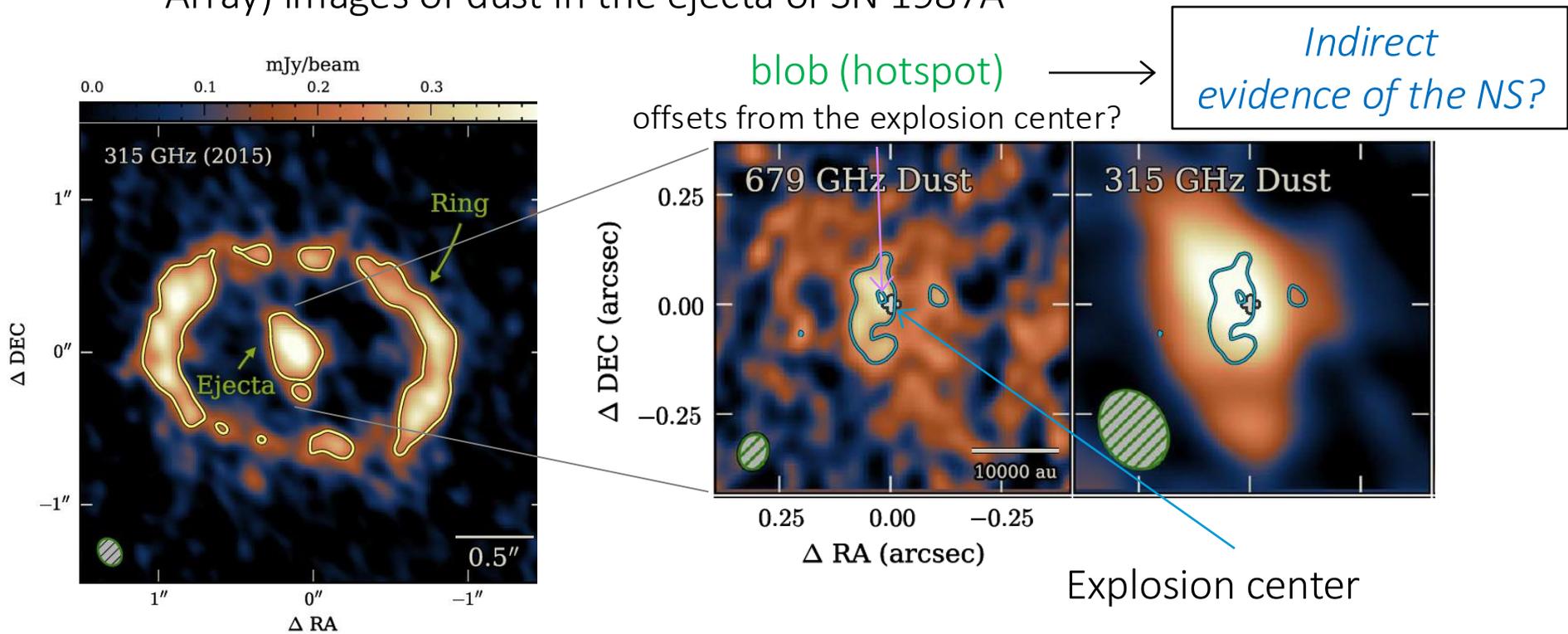
3D spatial distribution in a SN ejecta for the first time!

- Distributions are clumpy
- *CO distribution has a ring-like structure*

# Emission from dust in the SN 1987A ejecta: Dust heated by a compact source (NS)?

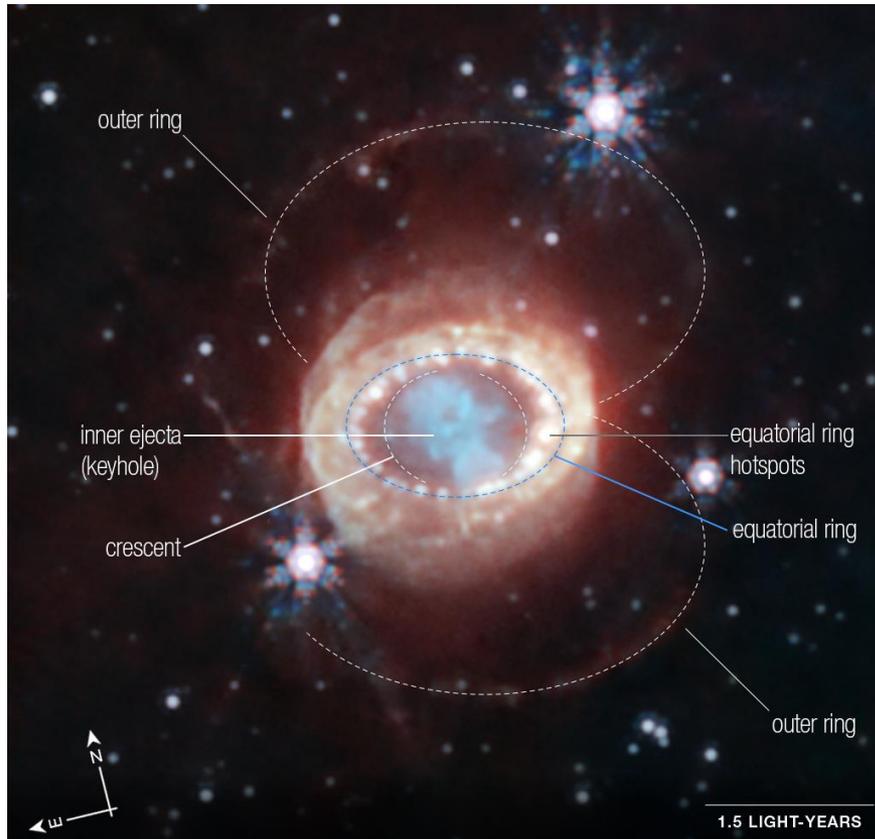
[Cigan+2019, ApJ, 886, 51]

High angular resolution **ALMA** (Atacama Large Millimeter/submillimeter Array) images of dust in the ejecta of SN 1987A



- The dust peak could be stemmed from an additional heating by a compact source: 1-2 mJy @ 679 GHz corresponding to  $L_{\text{bol, dust}} = (40-90) L_{\odot}$

# The latest image of the inner ejecta of SN 1987A by JWST



The recent image of SN 1987A provided by the newly launched JWST (James Webb Space Telescope)

JWST's NIRCam (Near-Infrared Camera)

blue:  $1.5 \mu\text{m}$  (F150W)

cyan:  $1.64$  and  $2.0 \mu\text{m}$  (F164N, F200W)

yellow:  $3.23 \mu\text{m}$  (F323N)

orange:  $4.05 \mu\text{m}$  (F405N)

red:  $4.44 \mu\text{m}$  (F444W)

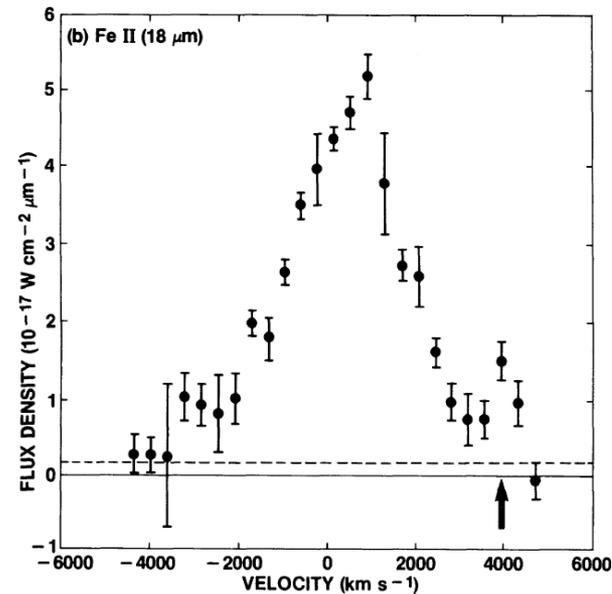
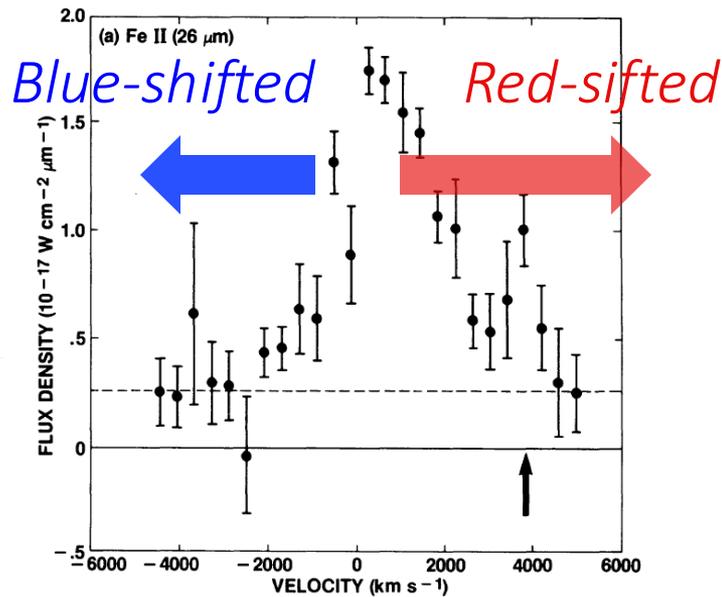
Credit: NASA, ESA, CSA, Mikako Matsuura (Cardiff University), Richard Arendt (NASA-GSFC, UMBC), Claes Fransson (Stockholm University), Josefin Larsson (KTH)

# Evidence of matter mixing in SN 1987A: High velocity iron

[Fe II] line profiles

[Haas+1990, ApJ, 360, 257]

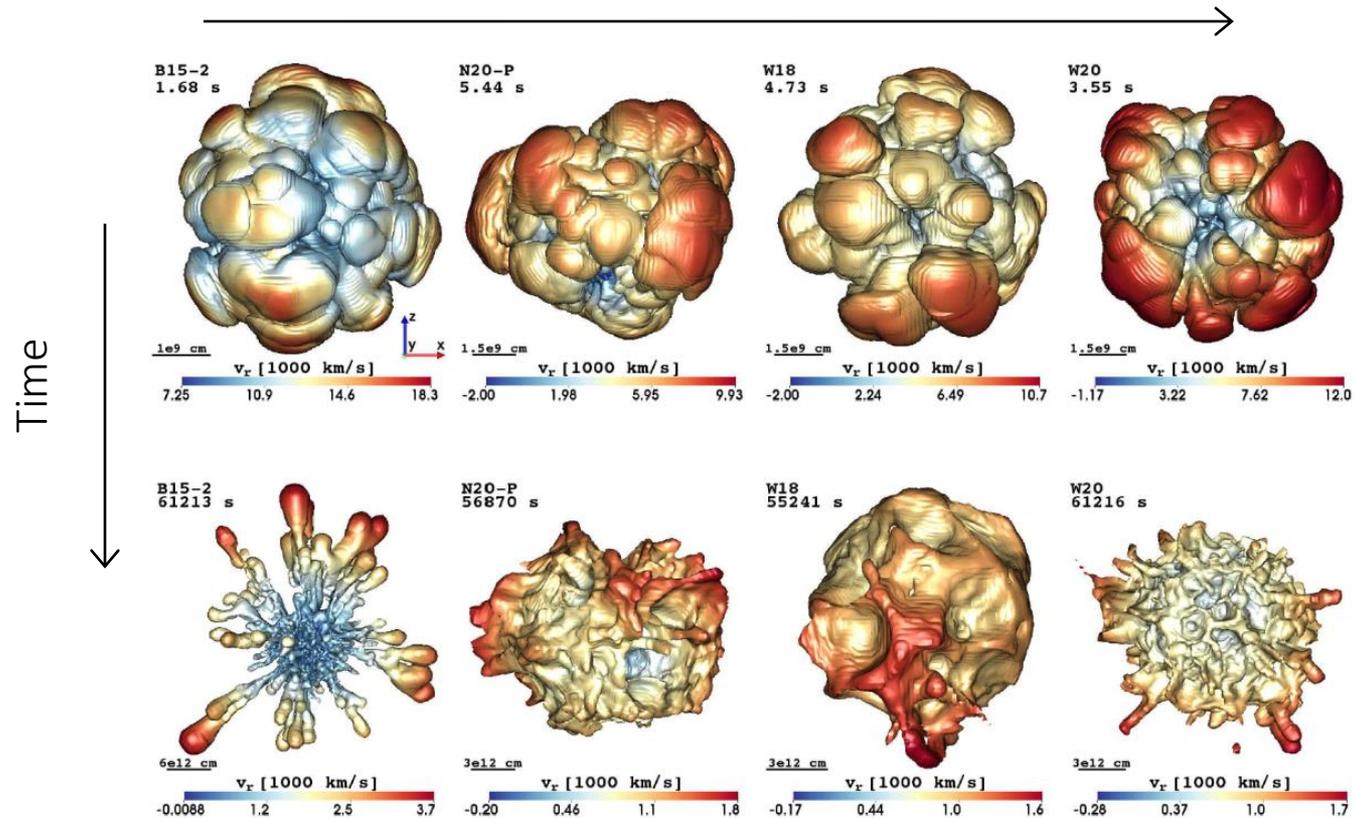
(observations at  $\sim 400$  days after the explosion)



- High velocity tails of [Fe II] line profiles reach ( $> 4,000 \text{ km/s}$ )
  - Fast  $^{56}\text{Fe}$  ( $^{56}\text{Ni} \rightarrow ^{56}\text{Co} \rightarrow ^{56}\text{Fe}$ ) motion  $\rightarrow$  *Matter mixing?*  
radio active decay
  - Red-shifted side is dominated  $\rightarrow$  *Asymmetric explosion?*

# 3D neutrino-driven explosion models: Dependence of matter mixing on progenitor models

Different progenitor models

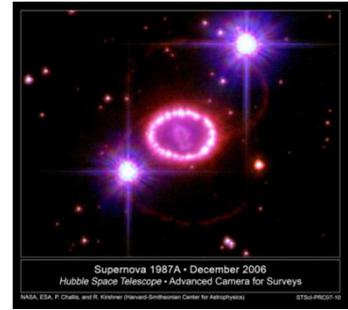


[Utrobin+2015, A&A, 581, A40]

Colors: velocity of  $^{56}\text{Ni}$

- The development of the finger-like structures made by Rayleigh-Taylor instability is *sensitive to the progenitor models*

# Properties of the progenitor of SN 1987A

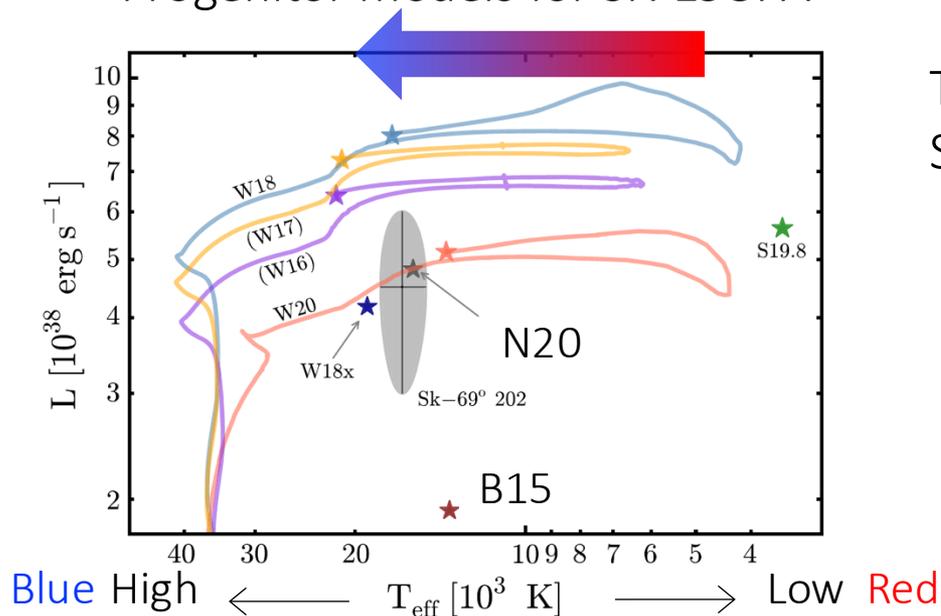


- Observational features of Sk-69° 202 at LMC
  - Blue supergiant (BSG)
  - Triple ring structure
  - $\log (L/L_{\odot}) = 4.89 - 5.17$  &  $T_{\text{eff}} = 15 - 18$  kK [Woosley 1988]
  - $\log (L/L_{\odot}) = 4.90 - 5.11$  &  $T_{\text{eff}} = 12 - 19$  kK [Barkat & Wheeler 1989]
  - Red to Blue transition at least  $2 \times 10^4$  yr ago [Crofts & Heathcote 1991]
  - Nebula abundance:
    - $\text{He}/\text{H} = 0.17 \pm 0.06$ ,  $\text{N}/\text{C} = 5 \pm 2$  [Lundqvist & Fransson 1996; Mattila et al. 2010]
    - $\text{N}/\text{O} = 1.1 \pm 0.4$  [Lundqvist & Fransson 1996]
    - $\text{N}/\text{O} = 1.5 \pm 0.7$  [Mattila et al. 2010]
- Preferable conditions for the progenitor star model [Arnett 1989, ARA&A, 27, 629]
  - helium core mass:  $6 \pm 1 M_{\odot}$
  - Radius:  $(3 \pm 1) \times 10^{12}$  cm
  - Hydrogen envelope mass : about  $10 M_{\odot}$

# Single star progenitor models for SN 1987A

- Progenitor models for SN 1987A

Red to blue transition  $2 \times 10^4$  years ago



The figure and Table are taken from Sukhbold+2016

N: Nomoto & Hashimoto 1988

W: Woosely et al. 1988

S: Sukhbold et al. 2016

To obtain a *single-star* model that fit the observations, *non-physical fine-tuning* is necessary

Hertzsprung-Russel diagram

Table 1  
SN 1987A Models

[Sukhbold+2016, ApJ, 821, 38]

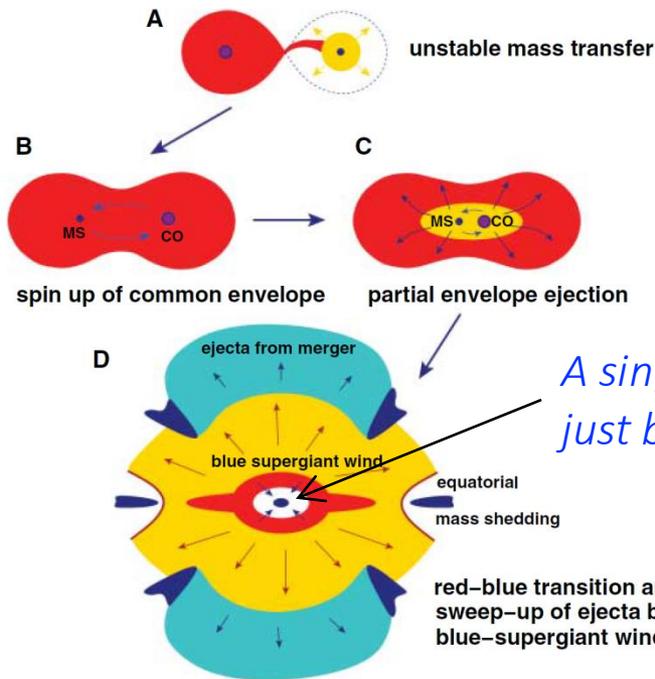
Model	$M_{\text{preSN}}/M_{\odot}$	$M_{\text{He}}/M_{\odot}$	$M_{\text{CO}}/M_{\odot}$	$L/10^{38} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$	$T_{\text{eff}}$	$\zeta_{2.5}$	$Z/Z_{\odot}$	Rotation
W18	16.93	7.39	3.06	8.04	18,000	0.10	1/3	Yes
N20	16.3	6	3.76	5.0	15,500	0.12	low	No
S19.8	15.85	6.09	4.49	5.65	3520	0.13	1	No
W15	15	4.15	2.02	2.0	15,300	...	1/4	No
W20	19.38	5.78	2.32	5.16	13,800	0.059	1/3	No
W16	15.37	6.55	2.57	6.35	21,700	0.11	1/3	Yes
W17	16.27	7.04	2.82	7.31	20,900	0.11	1/3	Yes
W18x	17.56	5.12	2.12	4.11	19,000	0.10	1/3	Yes
S18	14.82	5.39	3.87	4.83	3520	0.19	1	No

# The progenitor of SN 1987A was made by a binary merger?

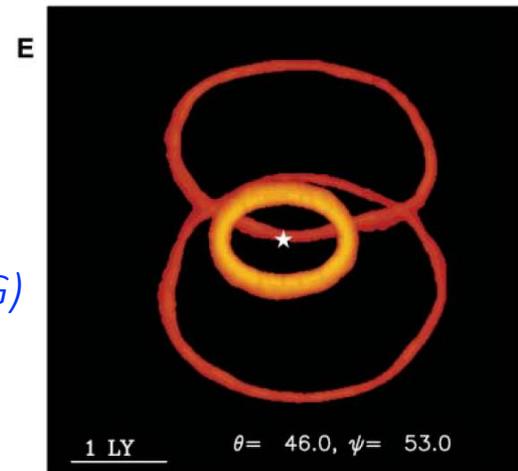
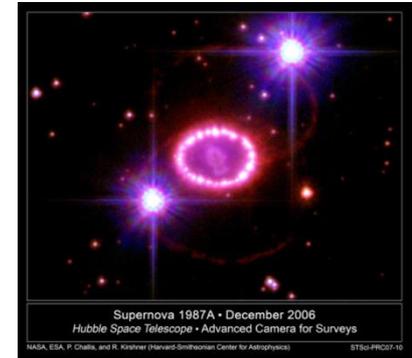
[Morris & Podsiadlowsky 2007, Science, 315, 1103]

- 3D smoothed particle hydrodynamic (SPH) simulations

$\sim 15 M_{\odot}$  RSG       $\sim 5 M_{\odot}$  MS star



*A single blue supergiant (BSG) just before the explosion*



Triple ring-like structure reproduced

- A  $18.3 M_{\odot}$  binary merger progenitor model ( $14 M_{\odot} + 9 M_{\odot}$ ) (Urushibata+2018, MNRAS, 473, L101) is used in later simulation results

# Initial setup: radial velocity distribution

Hydrodynamical code: FLASH (Fryxell+2000, ApJS, 131, 271)

Parameters

$$\beta = v_{\text{pol}}/v_{\text{eq}}$$

$$\alpha = v_{\text{up}}/v_{\text{down}}$$

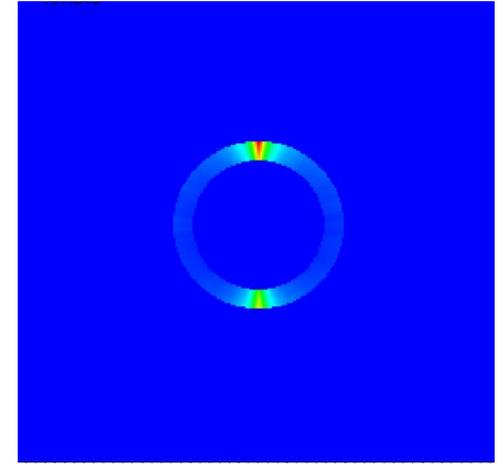
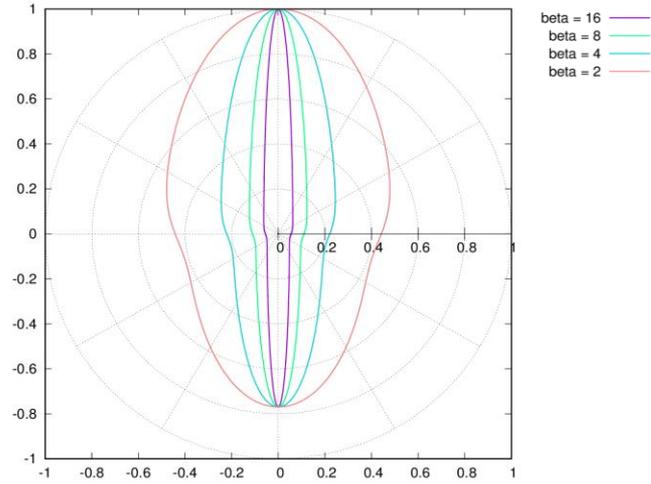
$E_{\text{in}}$ : Injected energy

Ranges:

$$E_{\text{in}} = (1.5 - 3.0) \times 10^{51} \text{ erg}$$

$$\beta = 1.0 - 16.0$$

$$\alpha = (1.1 - 1.5)$$



$$v_r \propto r (\beta^{-1} \cos^2 \theta + \beta \sin^2 \theta)^{-1/2}$$

$$1 + \epsilon N \sum_n^4 \sum_m \frac{A_m^l(\theta, \phi)}{2^{n-1}} \quad (l = n \cdot l_{\text{base}})$$

$$\epsilon = 0.3, \quad l_{\text{base}} = 15$$

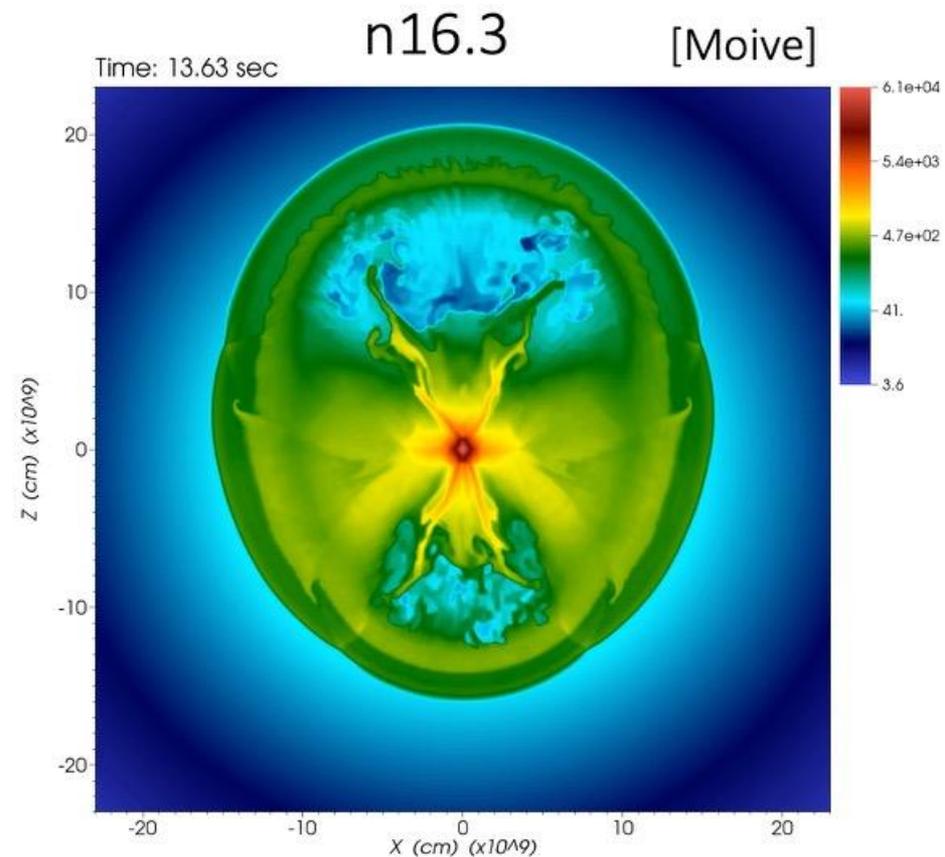
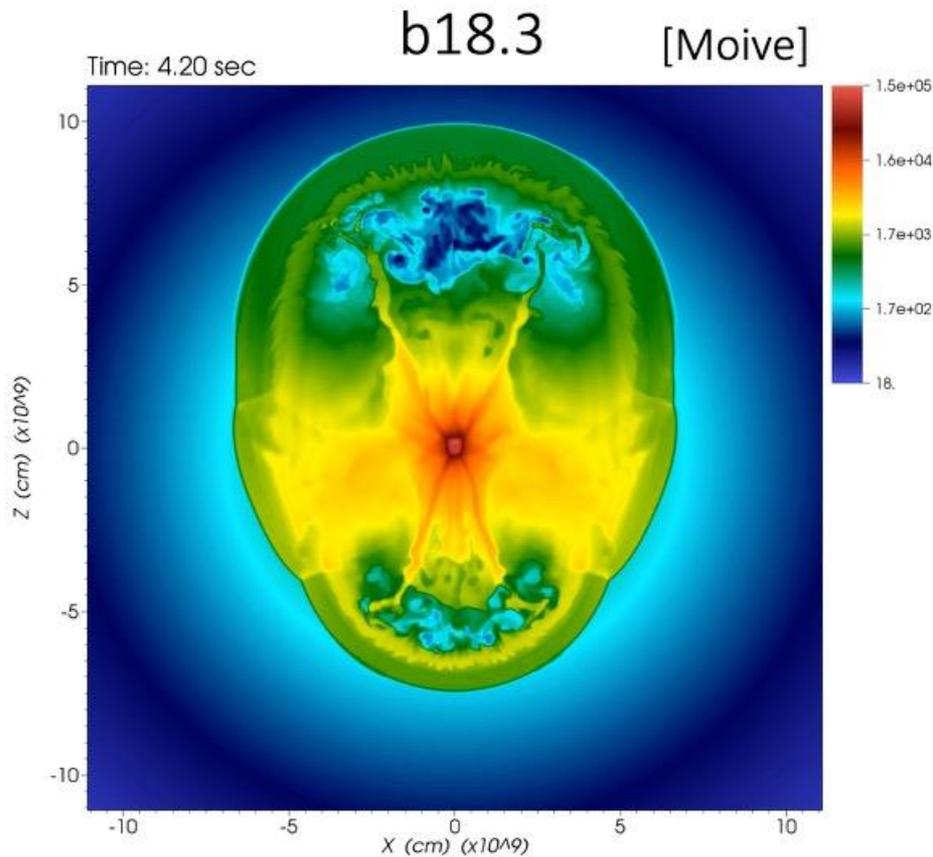
$N$ : Normalization factor

$$A_m^l(\theta, \phi) = \begin{cases} \begin{cases} Y_m^l(\theta, \phi) & (m = 1, -3, 5, -7, \dots) \\ 0 & (\text{else}) \end{cases} & (l : \text{odd}) \\ \begin{cases} Y_m^l(\theta, \phi) & (m = 0, 2, -4, 6, \dots) \\ 0 & (\text{else}) \end{cases} & (l : \text{even}) \end{cases}$$

$$Y_m^l(\theta, \phi) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{2} \sqrt{\frac{2l+1}{4\pi}} \frac{(l-|m|)!}{(l+|m|)!} P_m^l(\cos \theta) \sin(|m|\phi) & (m < 0) \\ \sqrt{\frac{2l+1}{4\pi}} P_m^l(\cos \theta) & (m = 0) \\ \sqrt{2} \sqrt{\frac{2l+1}{4\pi}} \frac{(l-|m|)!}{(l+|m|)!} P_m^l(\cos \theta) \cos(m\phi) & (m > 0) \end{cases}$$

# Time evolution of 2D slices of the density : binary merger model vs single star model (Movies)

[MO+20, ApJ, 888, 111]



Binary merger progenitor

Single star progenitor

# b18.3 vs n16.3: distribution of elements (Movie)

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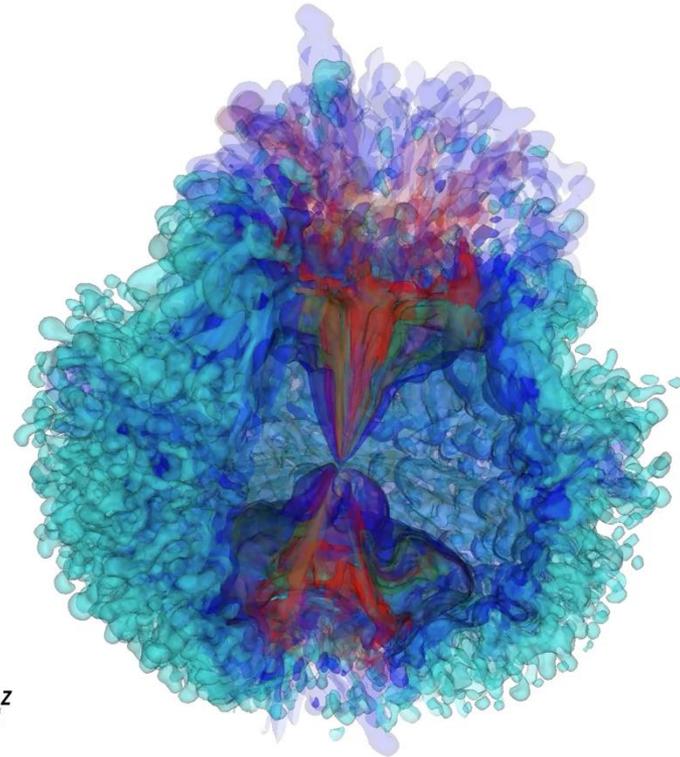
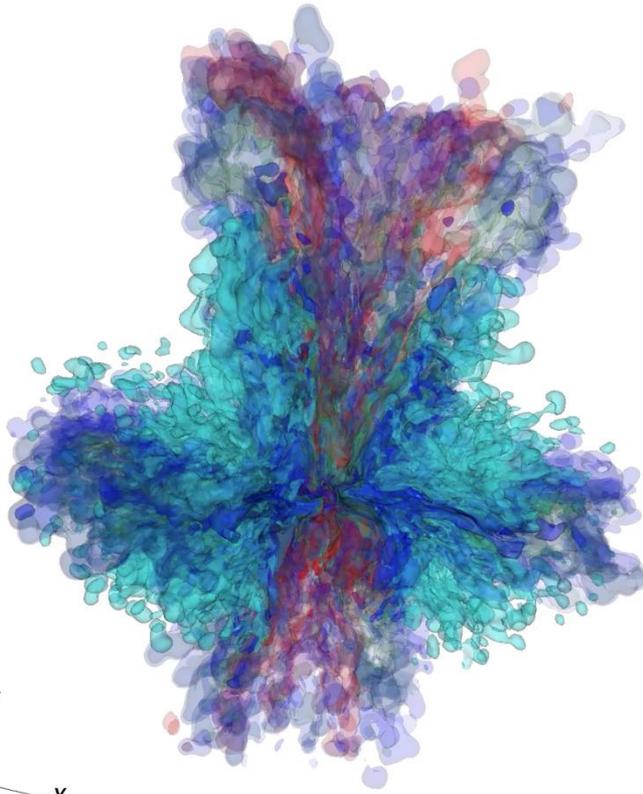
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Time: 2993.09 sec

b18.3

Time: 4367.79 sec

n16.3



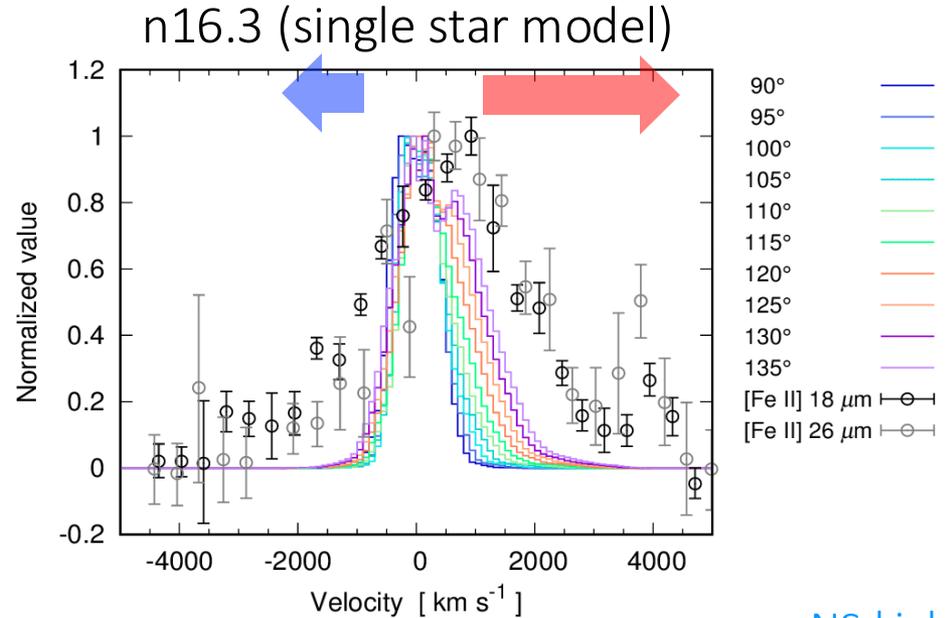
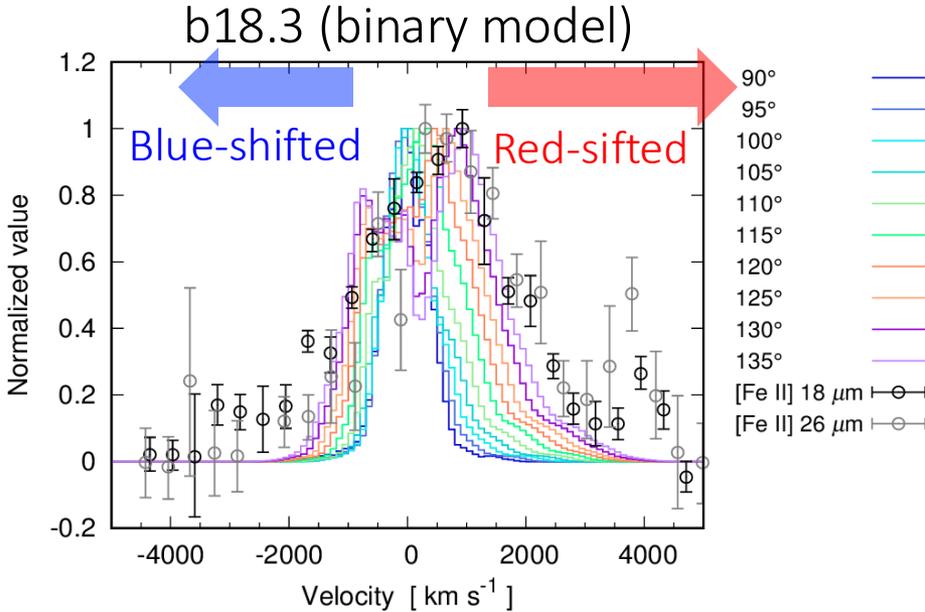
Binary merger

Single star

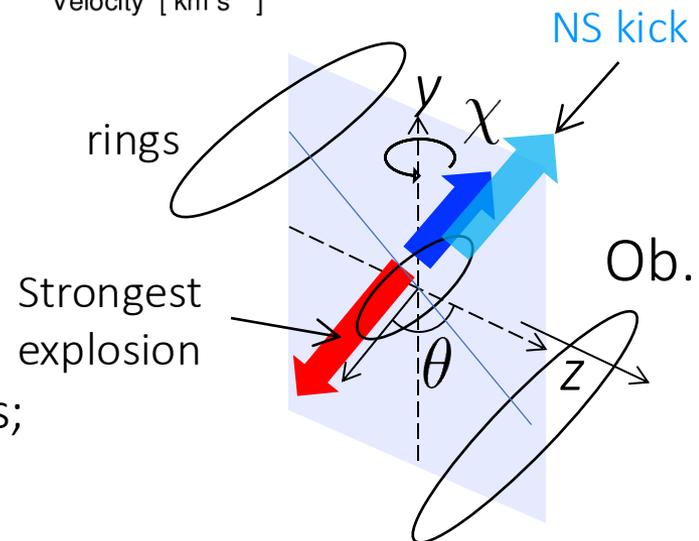
$^{56}\text{Ni}$  (Red)  $^{28}\text{Si}$  (Green)  $^{16}\text{O}$  (Blue)  $^4\text{He}$  (Sky blue)

# Line of sight (LoS) velocity distributions of $^{56}\text{Ni}$

[MO+20, ApJ, 888, 111]



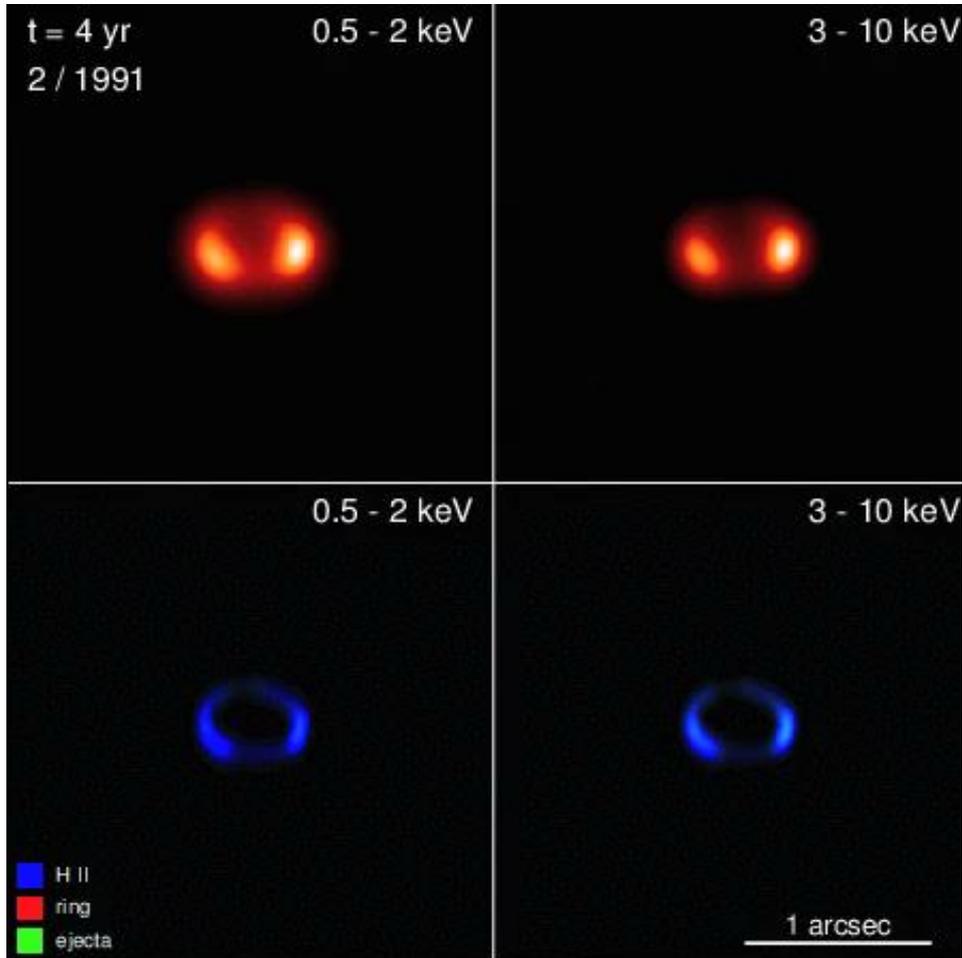
- The best model:
  - Progenitor model: b18.3 (binary merger)
  - $(E_{\text{in}}, \alpha, \beta) = (2.5 \times 10^{51} \text{ erg}, 1.5, 16.0)$
  - $\theta = 130^\circ$  ;  $\chi = 10^\circ$
  - *Estimated NS kick velocity: 285 km s<sup>-1</sup>*  
(consistent with kick velocities of young pulsars; e. g. Faucher-Giguère & Kapsi 2006)



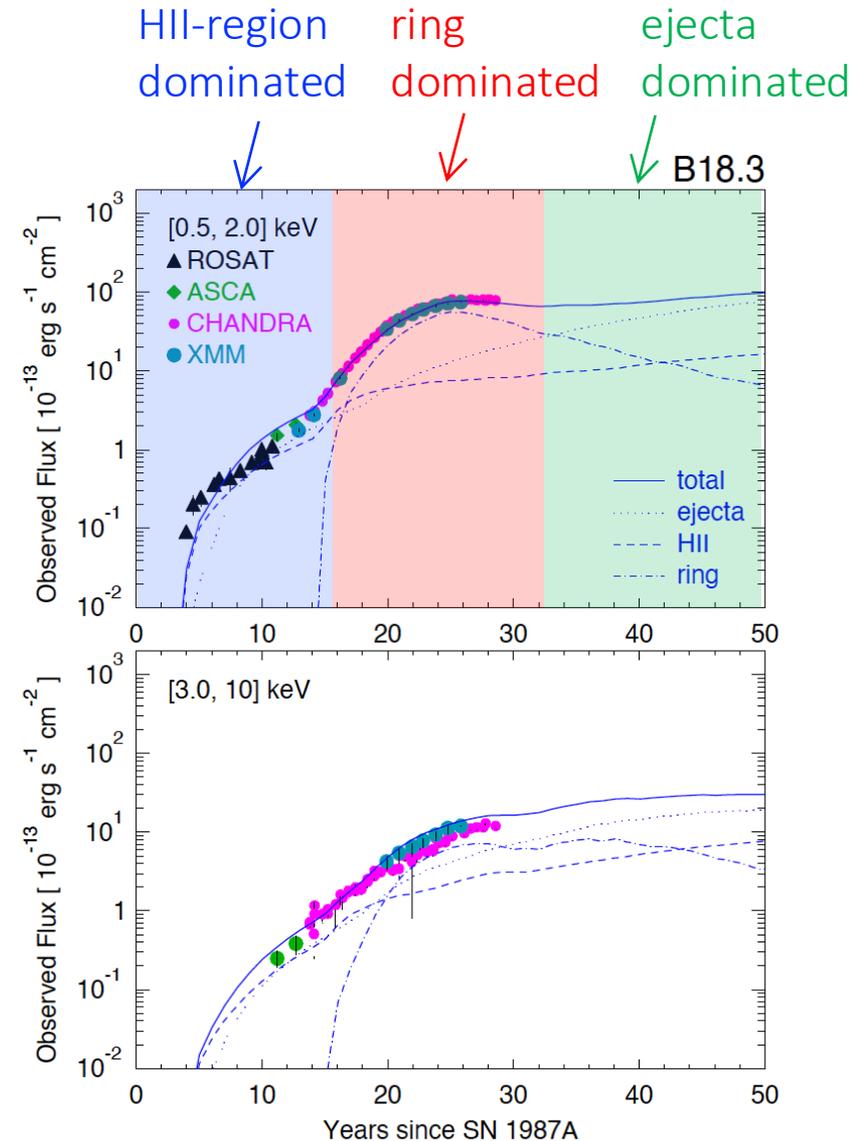


# Synthesized X-ray images and light curves

Evolution of synthetic X-ray emission map based on a 3D magnetohydrodynamical model with the successful model shown above



[Movie; Orlando+20, A&A, 636, A22]

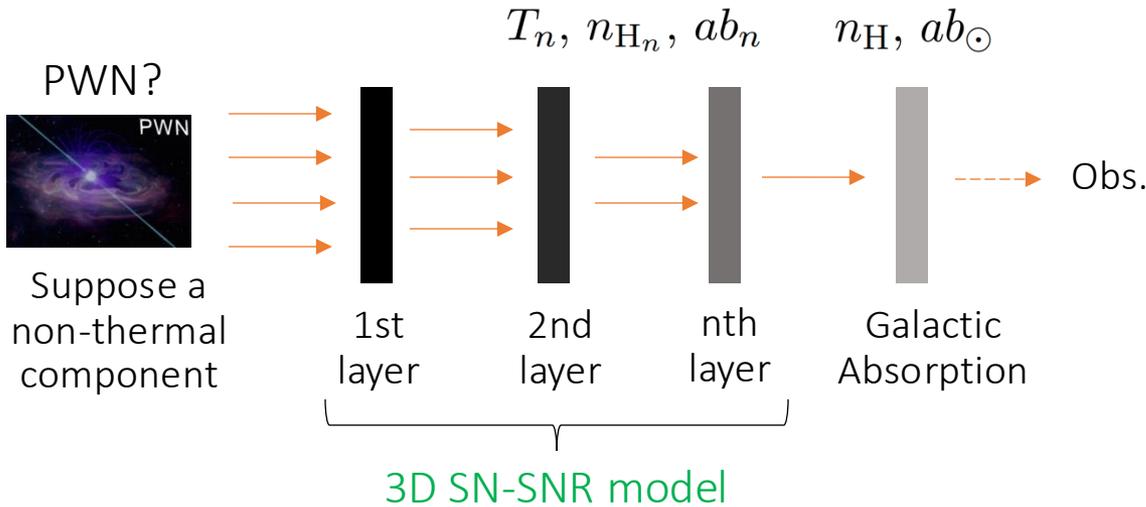


B18.3: Binary merger model

# Spectral fitting with a non-thermal component with absorption estimated by the 3D SN-SNR model



Greco, E.

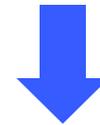
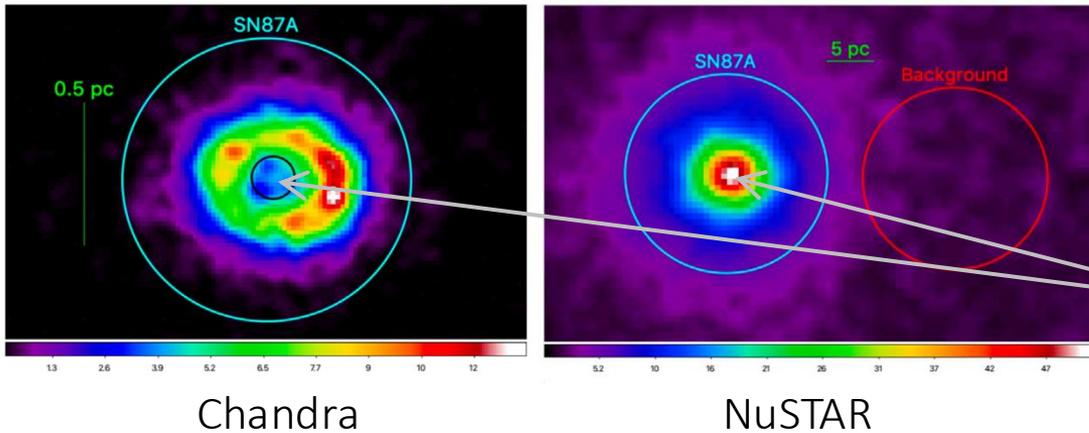


[Greco+2021, ApJ, 908, L45; 2022, ApJ, 931, 132]

## A ray tracing method

- $T, n, ab$  (abundance) from the 3D SN-SNR model [MO+20; Orlando+20]
- Spectral fitting of Chandra, XMM-Newton, and NuSTAR spectra

Count images of SN 1987A



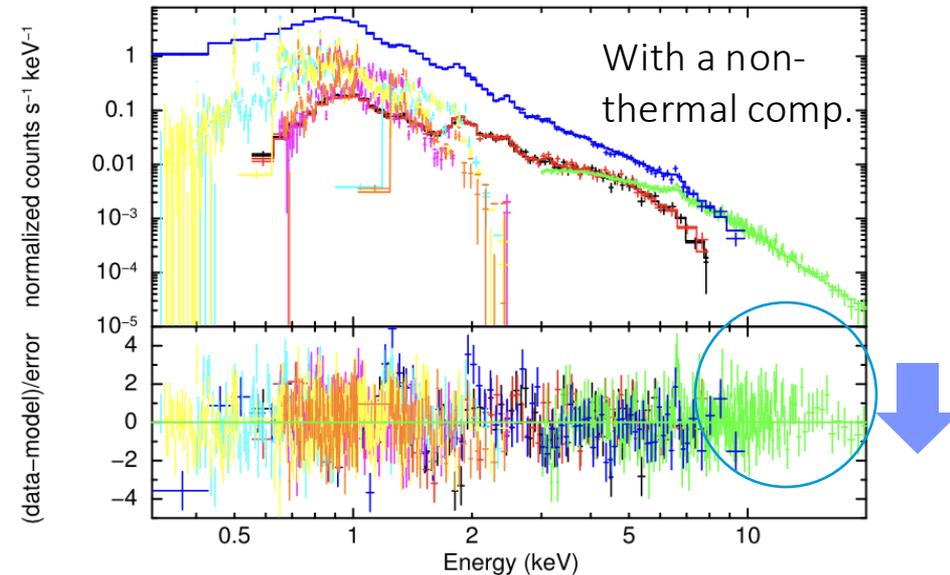
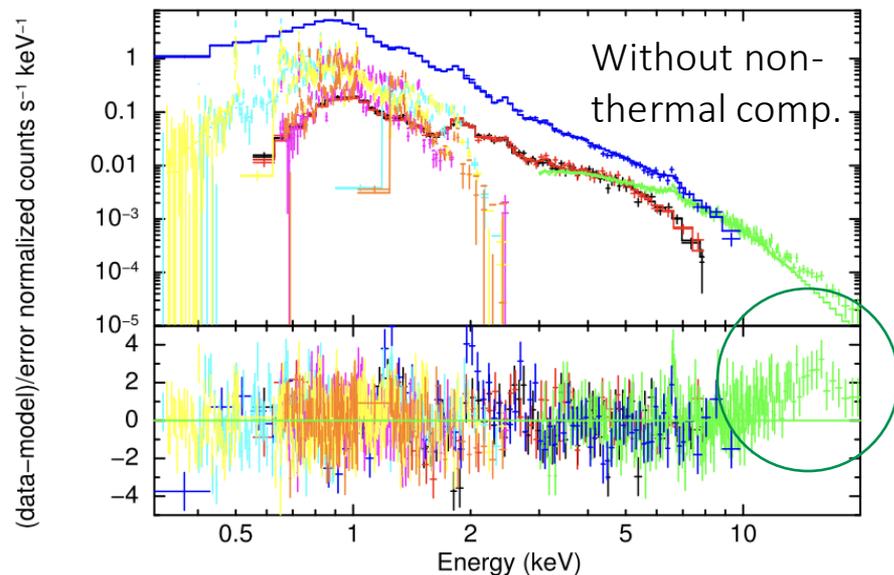
Pulsar wind nebula (PWN) activities from the neutron star of SN 1987A?

# Spectral fitting with or without a non-thermal component (PWN activity?)

Spectral fitting of SN 1987A observations by Chandra, XMM-Newton, and NuSTAR

3 - KT 2014

3 - KT + abs PL 2014



- Inclusion of non-thermal emission from a speculated position of NS 1987A make the residuals of the model be small
- A Pulsar wind nebula activity is expected

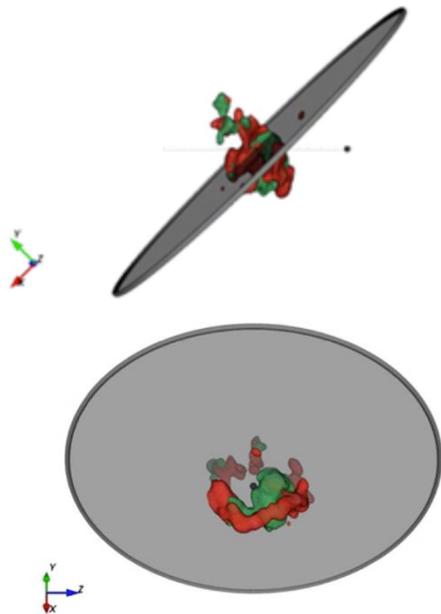
# Distribution of molecules

[Orlando+2020, A&A, 636, A22]

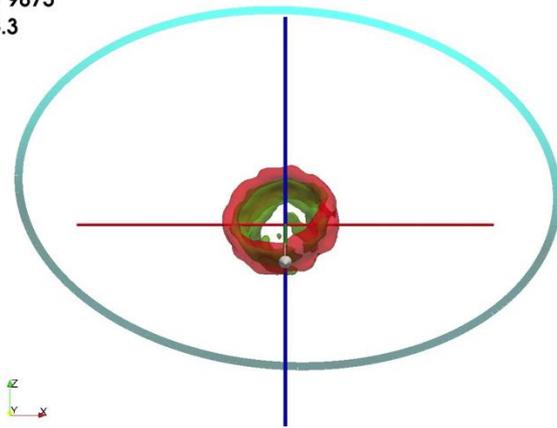
$$C \times O = \rho \sqrt{X_{12C} X_{16O}}$$

$$Si \times O = \rho \sqrt{X_{28Si} X_{16O}}$$

Observations by ALMA

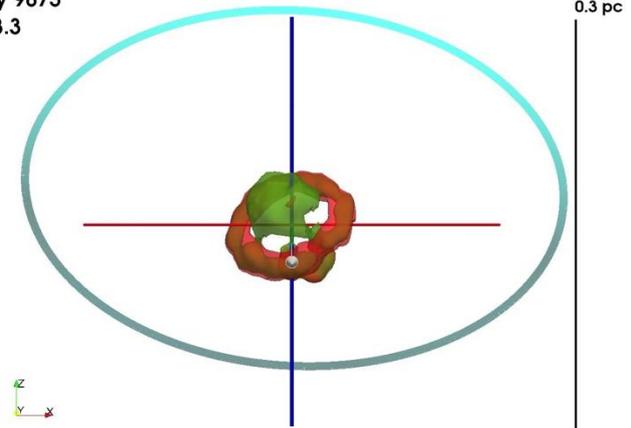


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N16.3

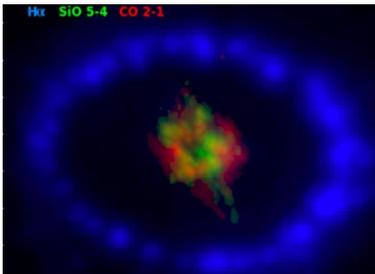


single star model

day 9875  
B18.3



binary merger model



Abellán+2017

- Torus-like structure for CO seen in ALMA observations is similar with the models
- C x O and Si x O distributions in the models are just rough approximation

Although the simple assumption may qualitatively explain the observed features, *theoretical models for molecular formation are necessary*

# Calculations of molecule formation in the ejecta of SN 1987A — Impact of matter mixing on molecule formation —

There has been no numerical study on molecule formation in the core-collapse supernova ejecta based on 3D hydrodynamical models

This study — The impact of matter mixing on the molecule formation

- Ejecta models: [one-zone/1D models based on 3D hydrodynamical models](#) of the bipolar-like explosions [MO+2020, ApJ, 888, 111]
- Calculations of rate equations with a [chemical reaction](#) network
  - [75 species](#) (11 atoms, 24 diatomic molecules, electron, and 39 ions)
- Calculations of rate equations for [CO rotational-vibrational transitions](#)
  - Contribute to the [cooling of the gas](#)
  - Diagnostic of the models through the comparison with observations
- Other effects taken into account
  - [Heating of the gas](#) due to the [decay of  \$^{56}\text{Ni}\$  and/or  \$^{56}\text{Co}\$](#)
  - [Ionizations and/or dissociation](#) of atoms and molecules by [Compton electrons](#) from the decay of  $^{56}\text{Ni}$  and/or  $^{56}\text{Co}$

# Rate coefficients for available reactions from UMIST database for specified species

- UMIST database (RATE12) <http://udfa.ajmarkwick.net/>
  - In total 788 species (> 6000 reactions)

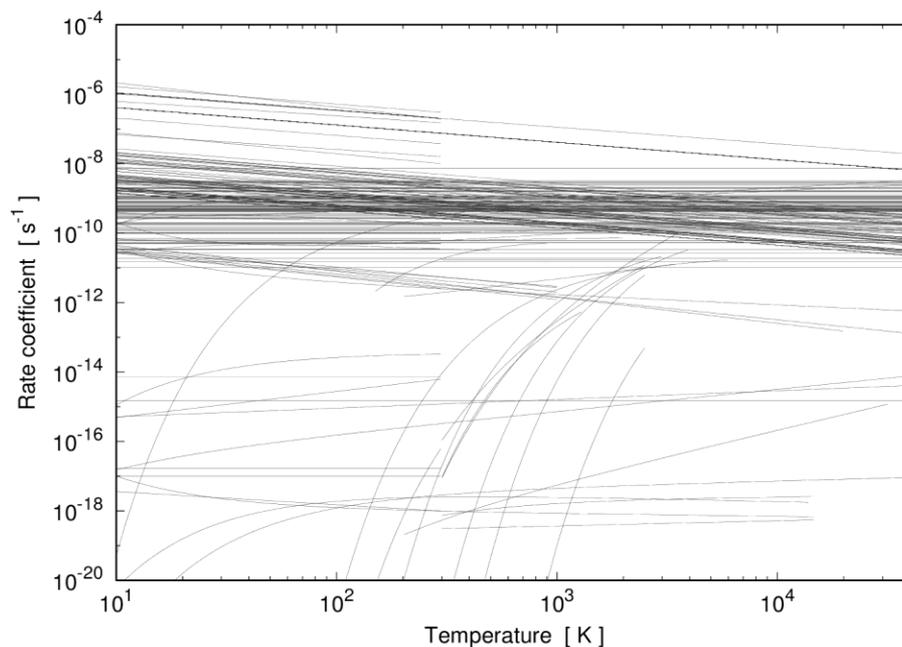
## Reaction types and numbers of reactions

Code	Reaction type	Count
AD	Associative Detachment	132
CD	Collisional Dissociation	14
CE	Charge Exchange	579
<del>CP</del>	<del>Cosmic-Ray Proton (CRP)</del>	<del>11</del>
<del>CR</del>	<del>Cosmic-Ray Photon (CRPHOT)</del>	<del>249</del>
DR	Dissociative Recombination	531
IN	Ion-Neutral	2589
MN	Mutual Neutralisation	981
NN	Neutral-Neutral	619
<del>PH</del>	<del>Photoprocess</del>	<del>336</del>
RA	Radiative Association	92
REA	Radiative Electron Attachment	24
RR	Radiative Recombination	16

Atoms	H, He, C, N, O, Ne, Mg, Si, S, Ar, Fe
Diatomic molecules	H <sub>2</sub> , CH, C <sub>2</sub> , CN, CO, CS, NH, N <sub>2</sub> , NO, OH, O <sub>2</sub> , MgO, MgS, SiH, SiC, SiN, SiO, Si <sub>2</sub> , SiS, SO, S <sub>2</sub> , FeO, FeS, Fe <sub>2</sub>
Ions	e <sup>-</sup> , H <sup>-</sup> , C <sup>-</sup> , O <sup>-</sup> , H <sup>+</sup> , He <sup>+</sup> , C <sup>+</sup> , N <sup>+</sup> , O <sup>+</sup> , Ne <sup>+</sup> , Mg <sup>+</sup> , Si <sup>+</sup> , S <sup>+</sup> , Ar <sup>+</sup> , Fe <sup>+</sup> , H <sub>2</sub> <sup>+</sup> , HeH <sup>+</sup> , CH <sup>+</sup> , C <sub>2</sub> <sup>+</sup> , CN <sup>+</sup> , CO <sup>+</sup> , CS <sup>+</sup> , NH <sup>+</sup> , N <sub>2</sub> <sup>+</sup> , NO <sup>+</sup> , OH <sup>+</sup> , O <sub>2</sub> <sup>+</sup> , MgO <sup>+</sup> , MgS <sup>+</sup> , SiH <sup>+</sup> , SiC <sup>+</sup> , SiN <sup>+</sup> , SiO <sup>+</sup> , Si <sub>2</sub> <sup>+</sup> , SiS <sup>+</sup> , SO <sup>+</sup> , S <sub>2</sub> <sup>+</sup> , FeO <sup>+</sup> , FeS <sup>+</sup> , Fe <sub>2</sub> <sup>+</sup>

## Arrhenius-type formula for two-body reactions

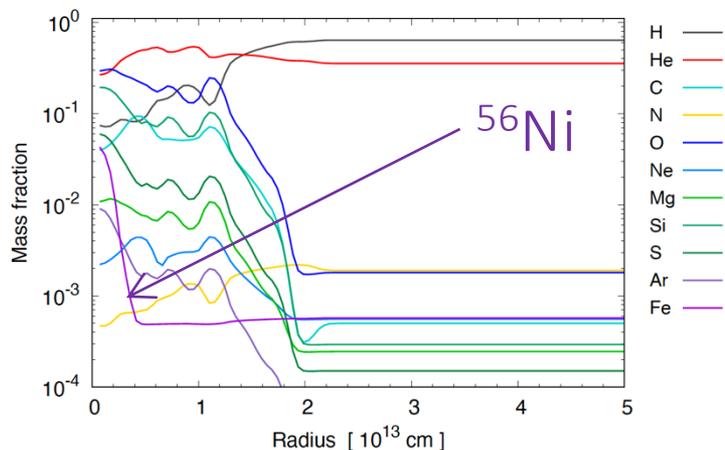
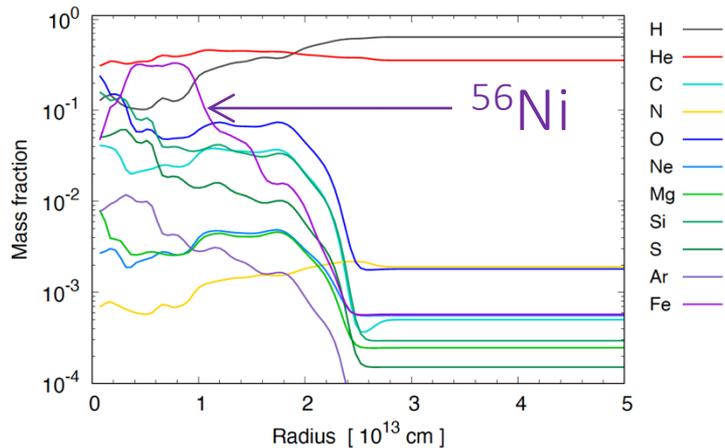
$$k_i(T) = A_i \left( \frac{T}{300 \text{ K}} \right)^{\alpha_i} \exp(-\beta_i/T)$$



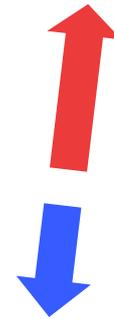
# Calculations of different specified directions

[MO+2024, ApJS, 271, 33]

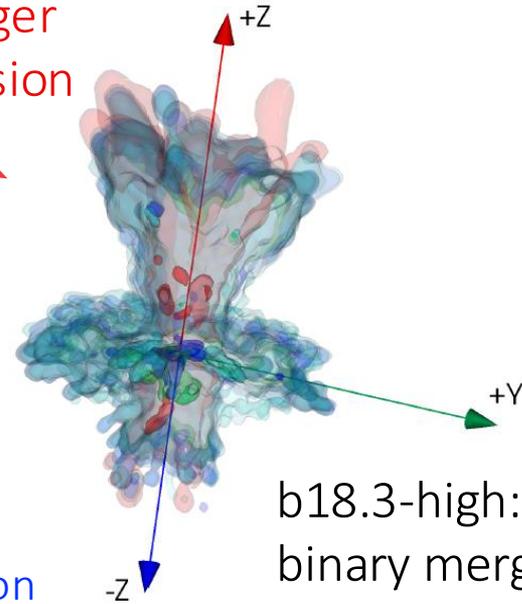
- Dependence of molecule formation on directions for the binary merger progenitor model (b18.3-high: MO+2020)



Stronger  
explosion



Weaker  
explosion



b18.3-high:  
binary merger  
progenitor case

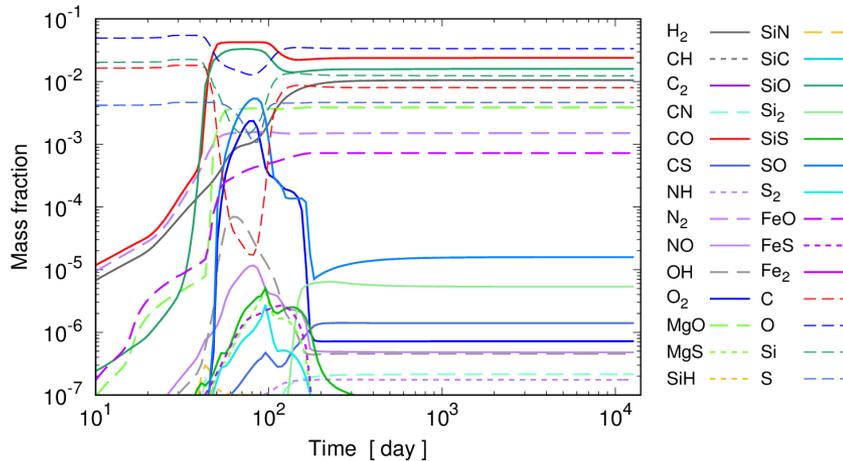
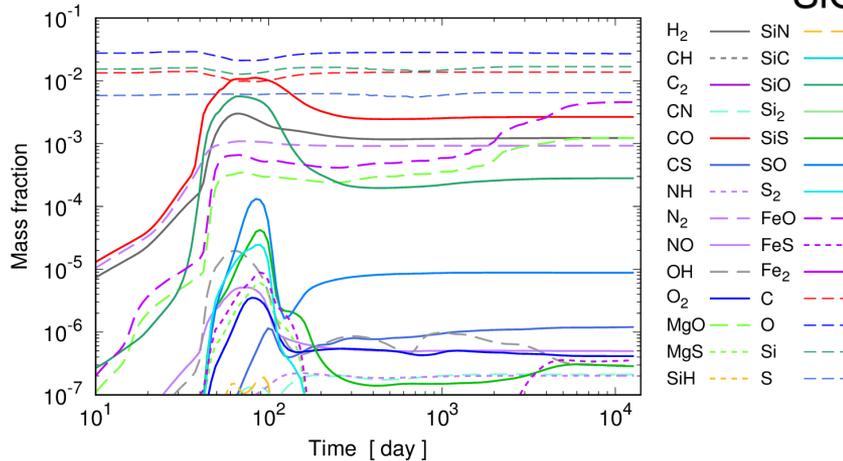
$^{56}\text{Ni}$  (red),  $^{28}\text{Si}$  (green),  $^{16}\text{O}$  (blue),  $^{12}\text{C}$  (cyan)

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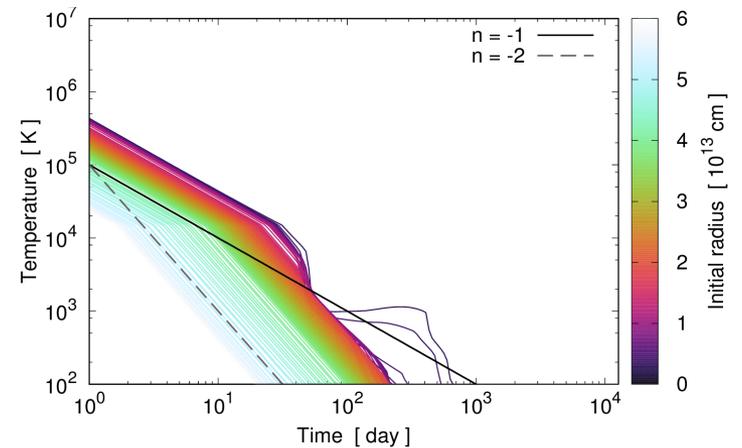
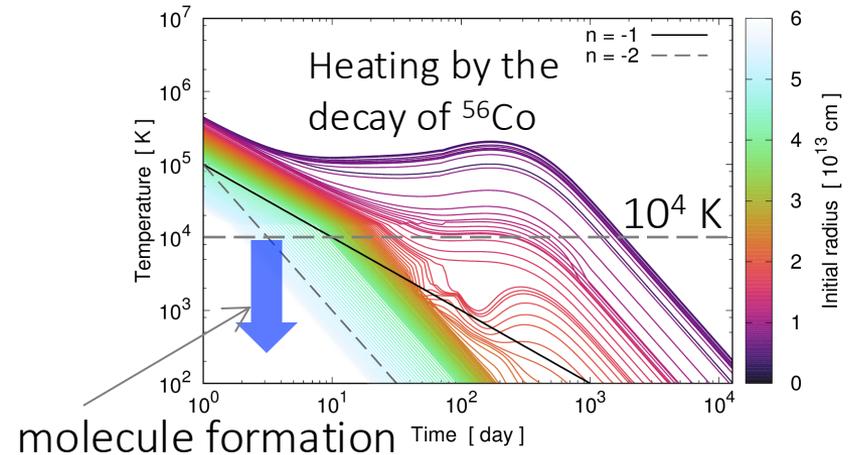
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- Dependence of molecule formation on directions

Evolution of mass fractions of molecules — CO — SiO



Evolution of temperatures of gas

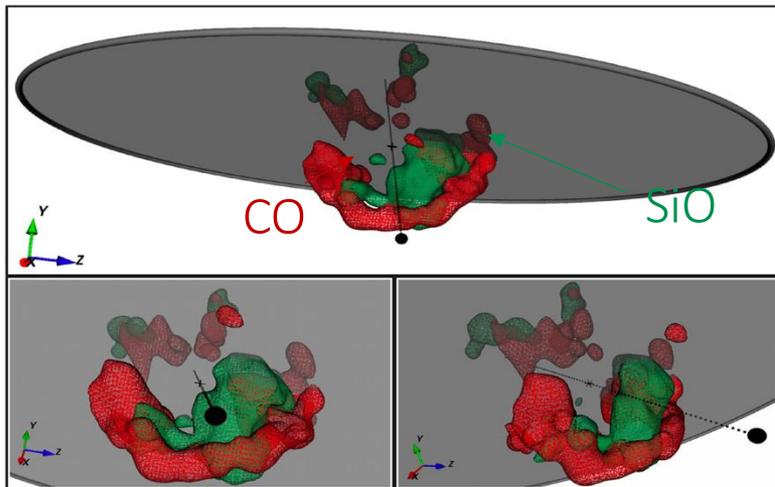


# Comparison with the CO and SiO distribution by ALMA observations

[MO+2024, ApJS, 271, 33]

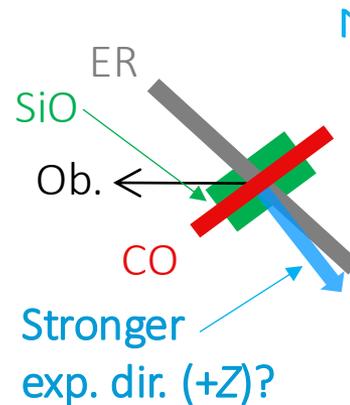
- Comparison of calculations for specified directions with the ALMA observations

## ALMA observations

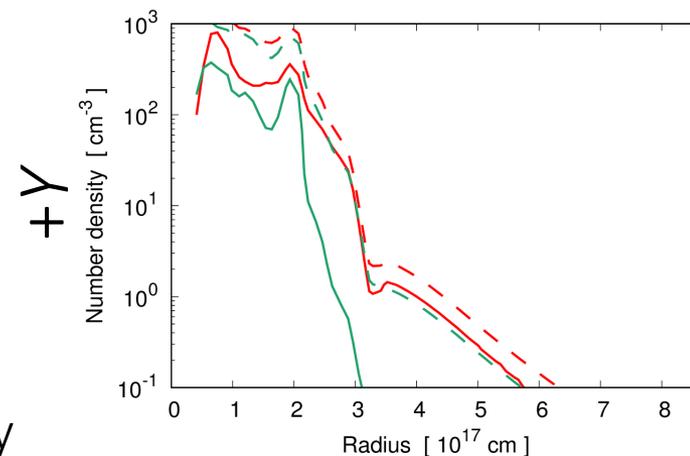
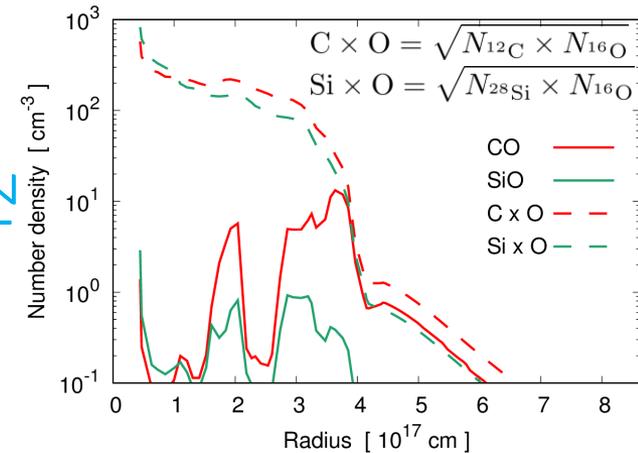


[Abellán+2017, ApJ, 842, L24]

Expected configurations (side view)



## Calculation results

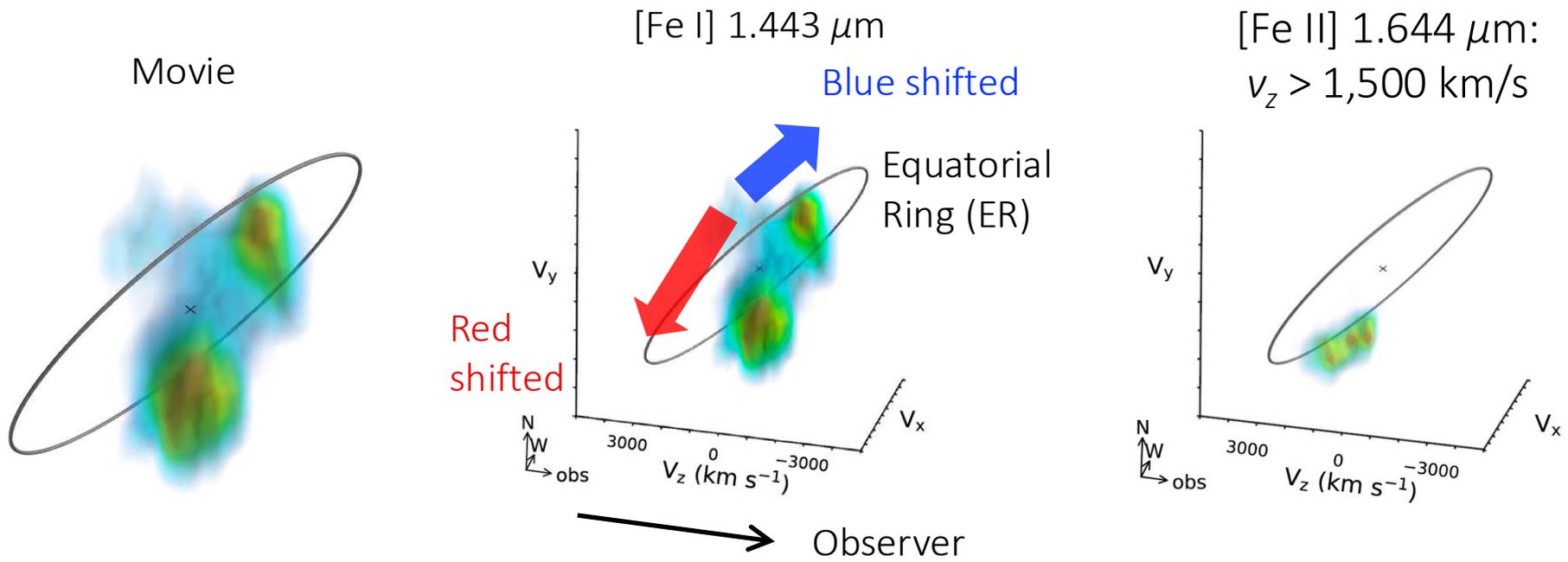


- Calculated CO distribution *may look like a ring*; more direct applications to 3D models are necessary
- The observed ring-like structure *may be a support for a bipolar-like explosion*

# 3D distribution of iron in the ejecta of SN 1987A by JWST NIRSpec observations

[Larsson+2023, ApJ, 949, L27]

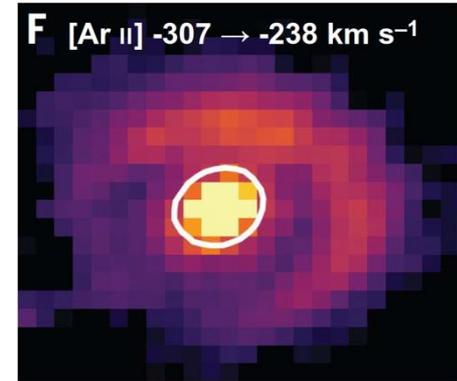
- JWST (James Webb Space Telescope) was newly launched on 25 Dec. 2021
- Structure of the inner ejecta of SN 1987A traced by [Fe I] emission
- *Broken dipole-like* distribution?



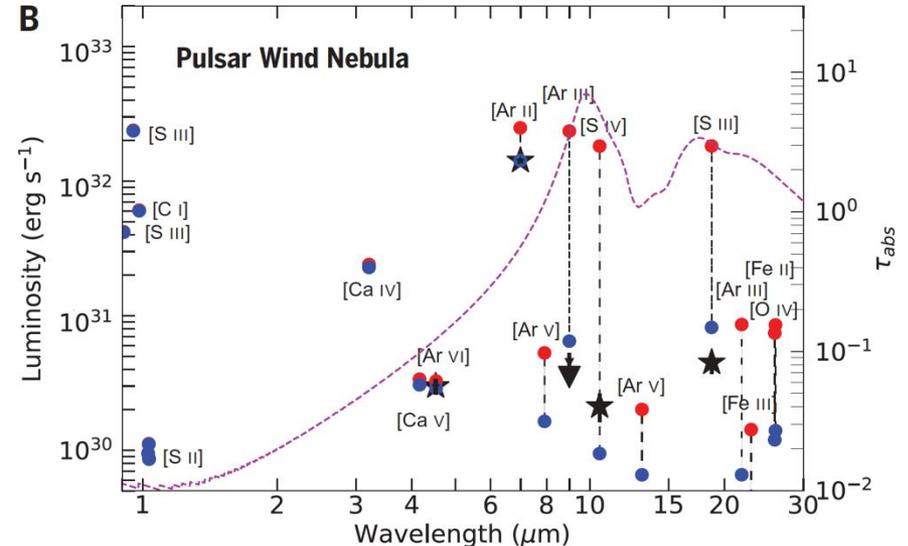
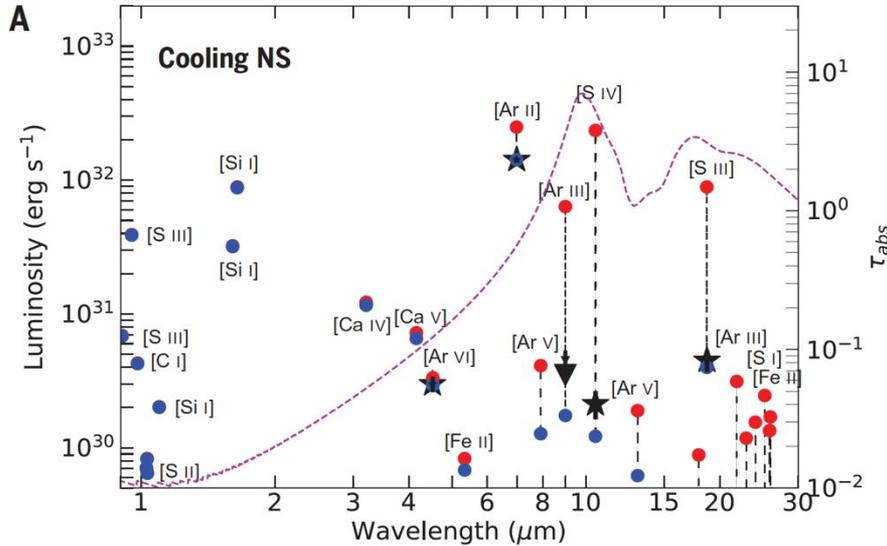
*Q: neutrino-driven explosion? magnetorotational explosion? or ?*

# Emission lines due to ionizing radiation from a compact object in the remnant of Supernova 1987A

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- JWST spectroscopic observations (narrow infrared lines of argon and sulfur) have revealed the *existence of the neutron star (NS) of SN 1987A?*

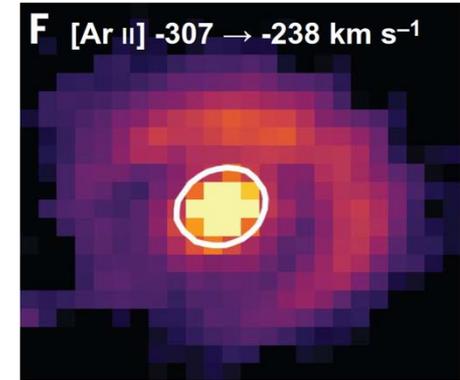


*Additional indirect evidence of the NS of SN 1987A*

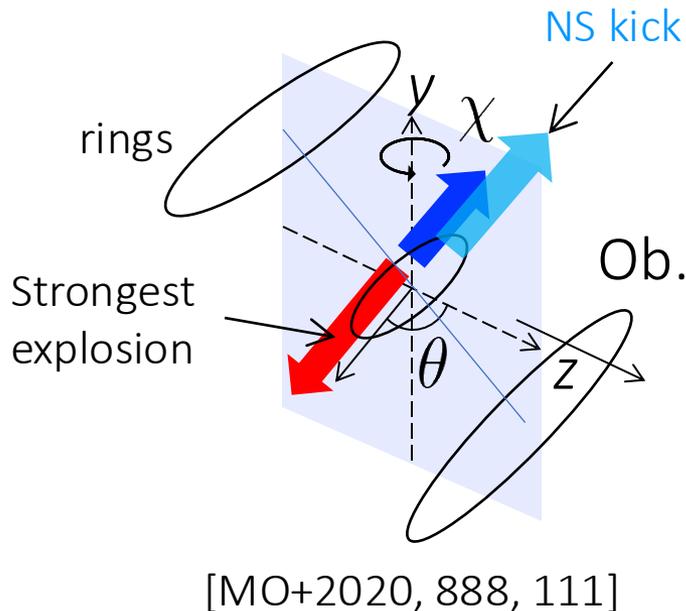
# Inferred neutron star (NS) kick velocity

[Fransson+24, Science, 383, 898]

- From the blue-shifted lines
  - *Line of sight* kick velocity:  $-259.6 \pm 0.4 \text{ km s}^{-1}$
- From the position of the line in the sky
  - The kick velocity *on the sky*:  $324 \pm 206 \text{ km s}^{-1}$
- *Total kick velocity*:  $406 \pm 206 \text{ km s}^{-1}$



lines are **blueshifted**



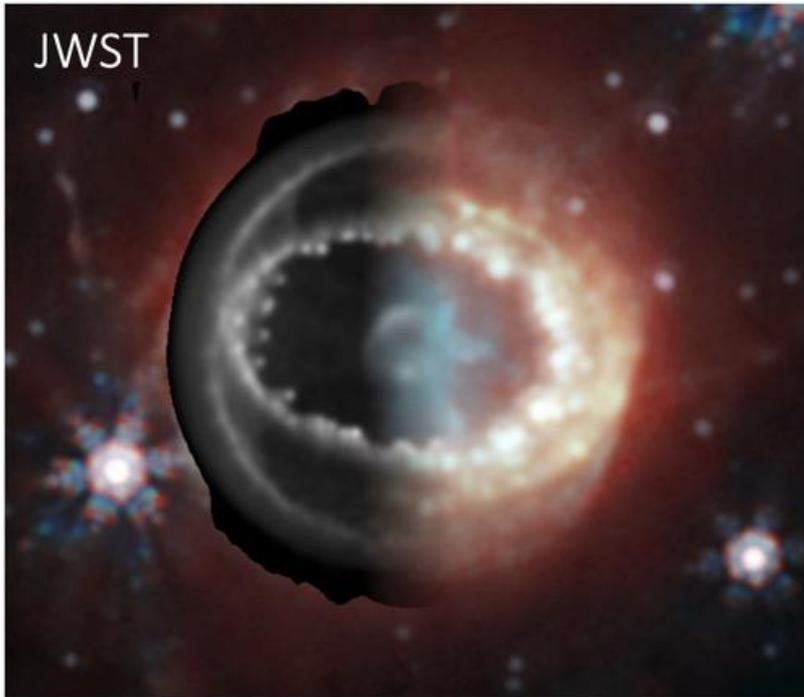
- From our 3D hydrodynamical model [MO+20]
  - Kick velocity:  $\sim 300 \text{ km s}^{-1}$
  - From momentum conservation

$$\mathbf{v}_{\text{NS}} = -\mathbf{P}_{\text{gas}}/M_{\text{NS}} = -\frac{1}{M_{\text{NS}}} \int \rho \mathbf{v} dV$$

- *JWST observations (broken dipole iron dist.) may suggest the situation is not so simple*

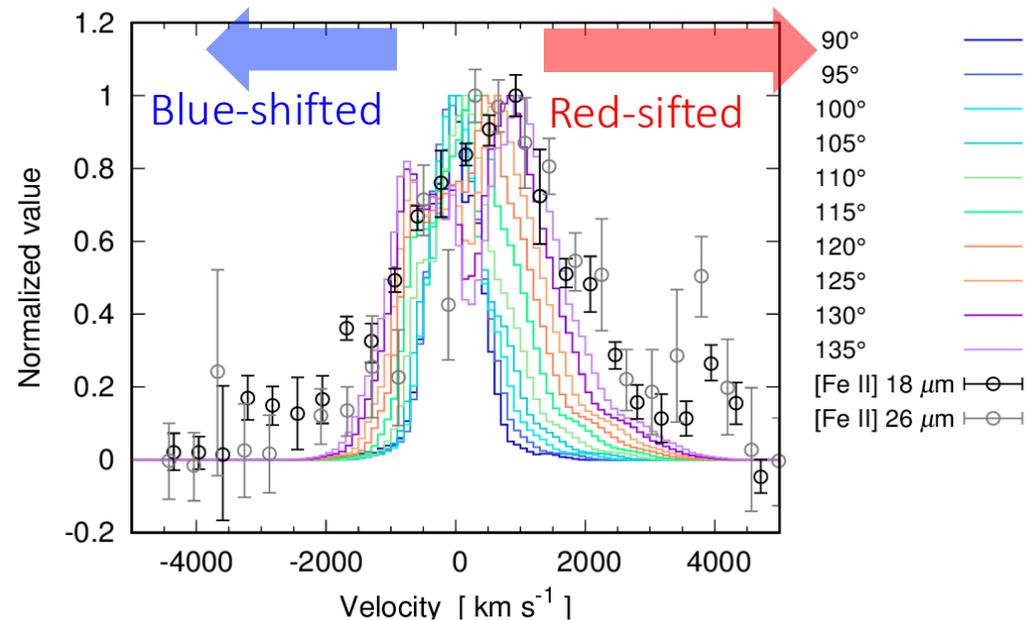
# Defects in the current models

Comparison with JWST image and our model [MO+20; Orlando+20]



Courtesy of S. Orlando

b18.3 (binary model) [MO+20]

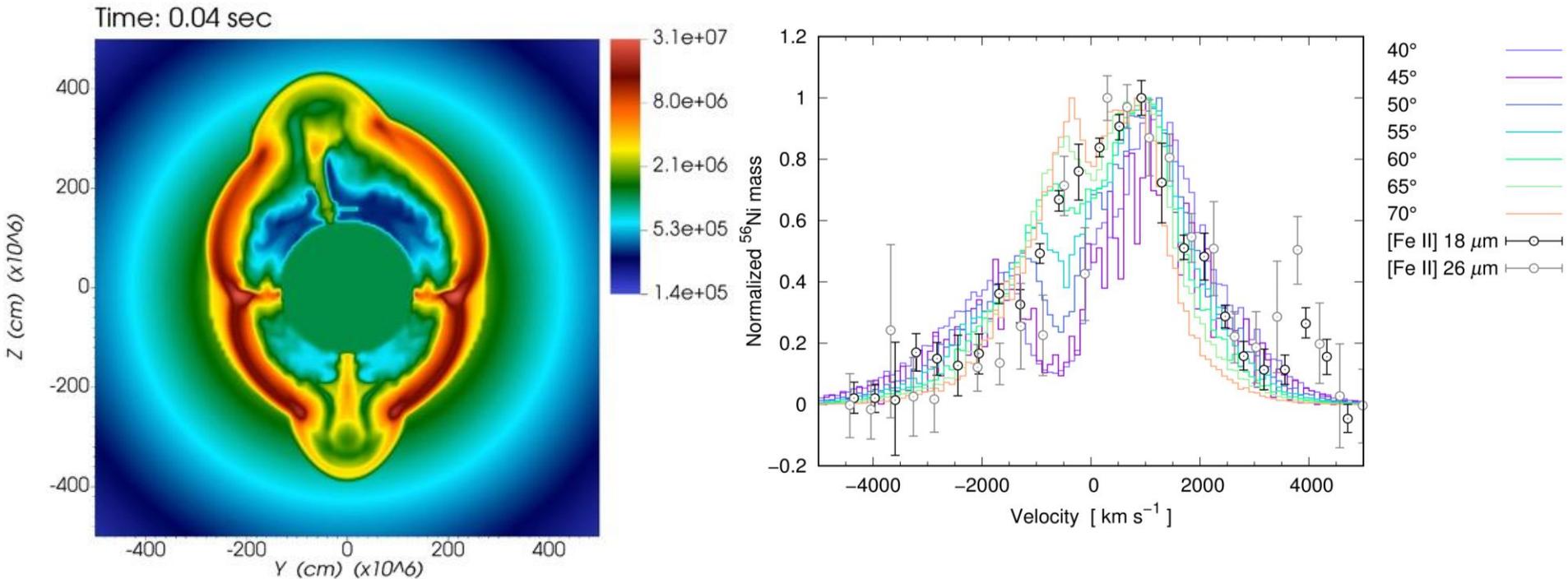


- There are several discrepancies between the models and observations
- *Further study may shed light on the open questions, e.g., the explosion mechanism*

# Revisiting 3D hydro modeling of SN 1987A

One of the *preliminary* results

[MO et al., in prep.]



- Simulations with more general/flexible injection of energy (injection by energy, momentum, and mass fluxes with finite timescales at the effective inner boundary) compared with MO+20

# Summary

- SN 1987A is an ideal object to understand the *early evolution of core-collapse supernovae from the explosion to its supernova remnant*
- An *asymmetric bipolar-like explosion* with a *binary merger* progenitor model better explains several observations (iron lines, X-ray light curves, the triple-ring structure)
- We conducted the *first molecular formation calculations based on global 3D hydro models*, which may qualitatively reproduce the observed CO ring-like distribution by ALMA
- Recent *JWST observations* of SN 1987A further motivate us to study this object for interpreting those properly and addressing open questions, e.g., what is the explosion mechanism of SN 1987A