

# Superluminous Supernovae: Magnetar or not

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# Synopsis

1. Methodology: stellar evolution, explosion, radiative transfer
2. Means to produce super-luminous SNe
3.  $^{56}\text{Ni}$  decay power: Pair-instability SNe, extreme CCSNe
4. Magnetar-powered SNe
5. Confrontation to SN2007bi (PISN according to Gal-Yam et al.)
6. Standard core-collapse SNe
7. GRB/SNe

## Methodology

Stellar evolution from MS to death: MESA (Paxton et al.), STERN (Langer/Yoon), KEPLER (Woosley)

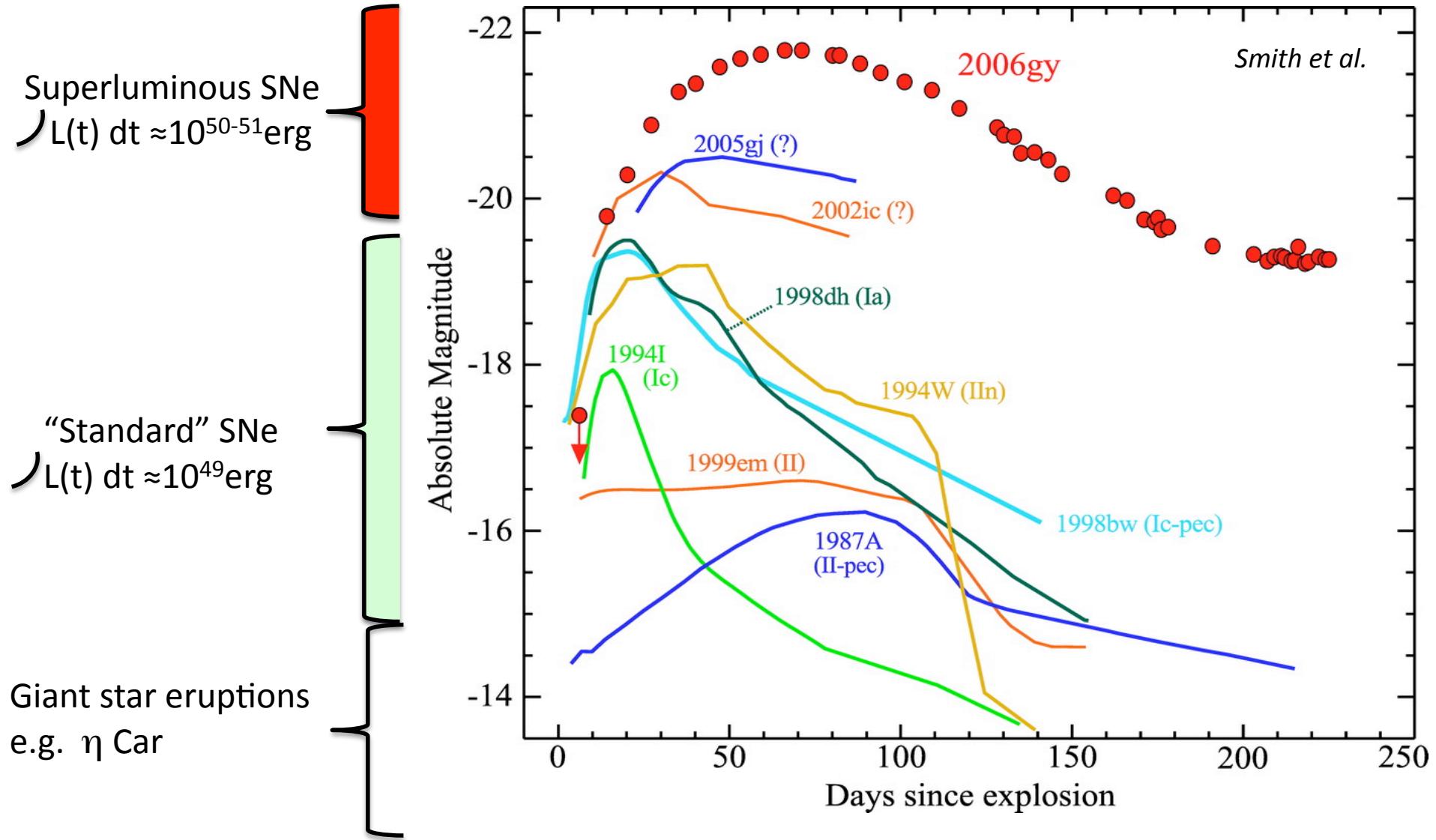
Radiation Hydrodynamics of explosion: V1D (Livne/Waldman/Dessart), KEPLER

### 1-D Non-LTE time-dependent Radiative transfer with **CMFGEN**

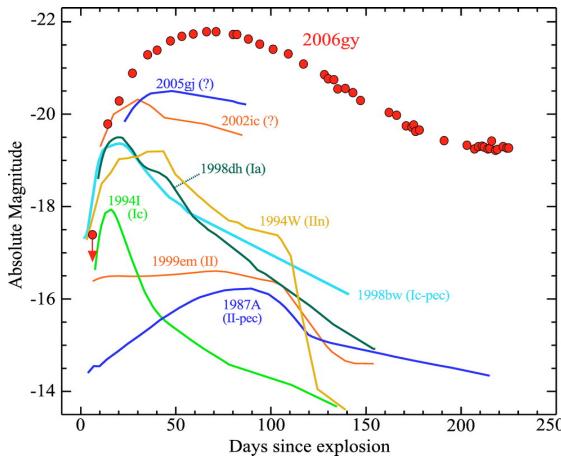
(Hillier & Miller 1998; Dessart & Hillier 2005, 2008, 2010, 2011ab; Hillier & Dessart 2012, Dessart et al. 2013abc)

- Non-LTE time-dependent solver: few 1000 (super-) levels (populations and rates)
- Time-dependent transport: moments of RTE with all important terms in  $v/c$ ,  $\partial/\partial t$ ,  $\partial/\partial v$ ,  $(\partial/\partial \mu)$ ,  $\partial/\partial r$
- RTE solved for at  $\sim 10^5$  frequencies (far-UV to Far-IR)
- Non-local energy deposition ( $\gamma$ -ray transport)
- Non-thermal processes (from radioactive decay).
- Chemical Stratification (H to IGE), 25 ionization stages
- Works for ANY ejecta in homologous expansion (SN Ia/Ib/Ic/II-P/II-pec, PISNe)
- Delivers  $F(v,t) \Rightarrow$  multi-band photometry + spectra over 1-500d

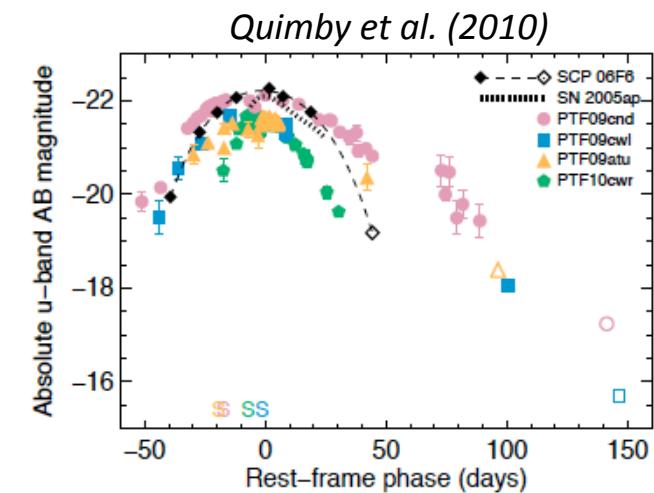
## Observations: Diversity of SN Light curves



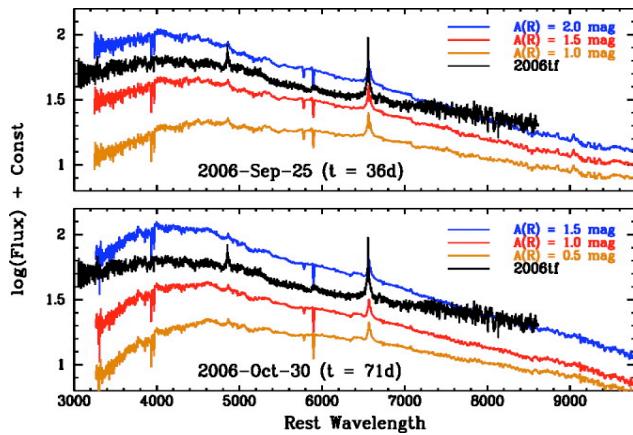
# Superluminous Supernovae: Observations



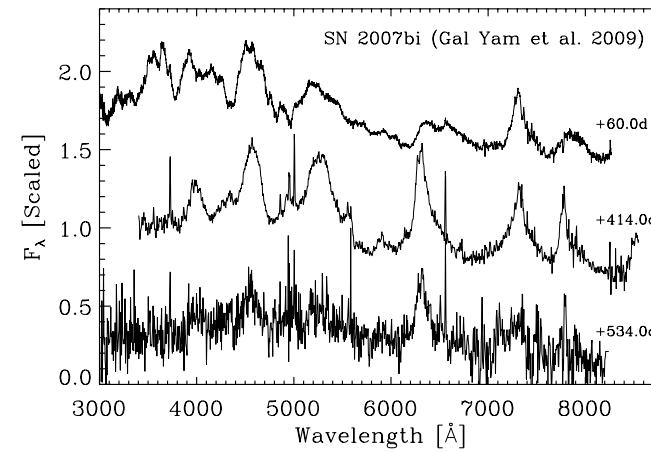
- Huge luminosities
- Flux peaks in nUV/optical
- Diversity of fading rates after peak
- Diversity in SN type: II, IIn, Ib, Ic
- Diversity in color: blue or red



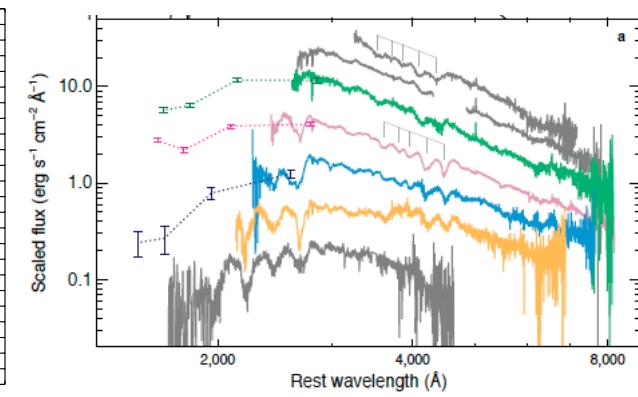
SLSN IIn – 2006gy  
H rich – narrow lines



SLSN Ic – 2007bi  
Blue - H poor



SLSN – 2005ap/PTF/PS  
Very Blue – H poor

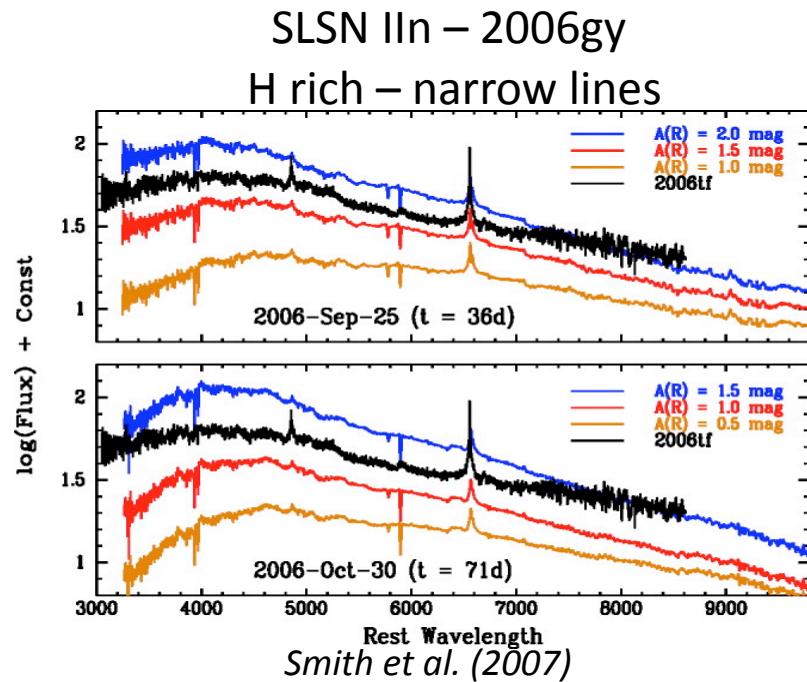


## Superluminous Supernovae: Power sources for the luminosity

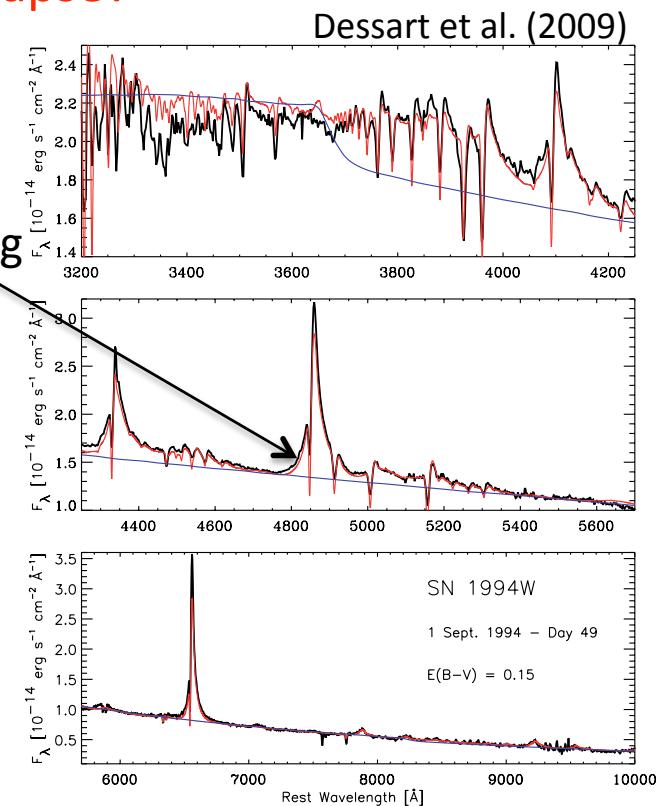
- Powered by interaction of two “shells”:  $E_{\text{kin}} \rightarrow E_{\text{th}} \rightarrow E_{\text{rad}}$
- Powered by huge  $^{56}\text{Ni}$  mass : pair-instability SNe or extreme CCSNe
- Powered by the radiation of the compact remnant (e.g., magnetar):  
Delayed energy injection from compact object with large  $B$  and  $\Omega$   
 $\Rightarrow$  particle + X-rays/ $\gamma$ -rays emission

# Super-luminous SNe powered by interaction

- Straightforward mechanism:  $E_{\text{kin}} \rightarrow E_{\text{th}} \rightarrow E_{\text{rad}}$
- Radiation from optically-thick slow moving material at  $10^{15-16} \text{ cm}$
- Line broadening by non-coherent electron scattering (NOT expansion)
- Large interacting mass => Large progenitor mass
- Energetics challenge standard explosion ( $E_{\text{rad}} > 1\text{B}$ ; e.g., 06gy).
- Power source: Pair-instability pulsation; core collapse?



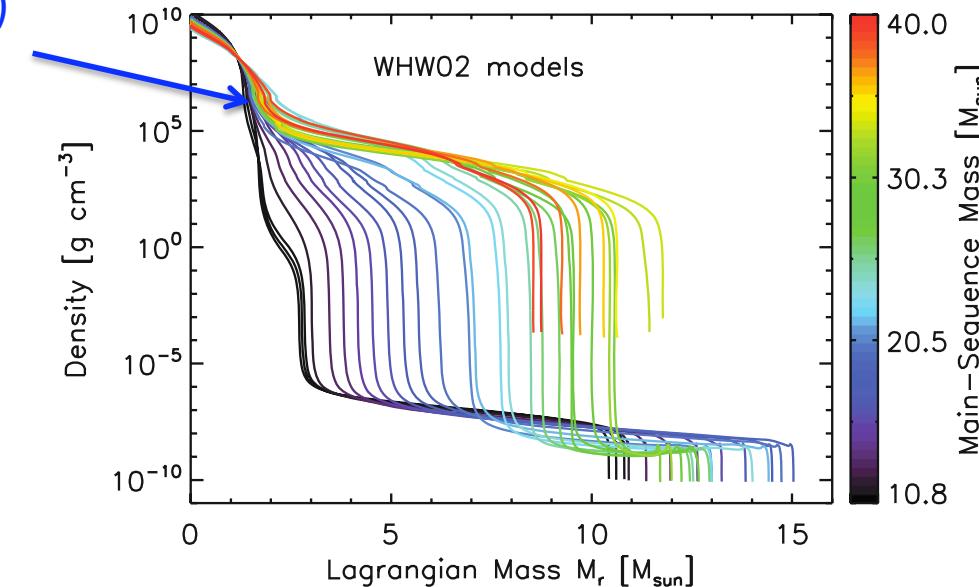
Electron-scattering wings



# $^{56}\text{Ni}$ powered supernovae

- $<0.2M_{\odot}$  of  $^{56}\text{Ni}$  expected in  **$\nu$ -driven explosion** (e.g., Ugliano et al. 2012;  $f[M_{\text{init}}, \rho(m)]$ )
- Higher  $^{56}\text{Ni}$  mass: **magneto-rot explosions** but  $\rho(m)$  critical?
- Higher  $^{56}\text{Ni}$  mass: **Pair-production instability** in  $M>100M_{\odot}$  stars

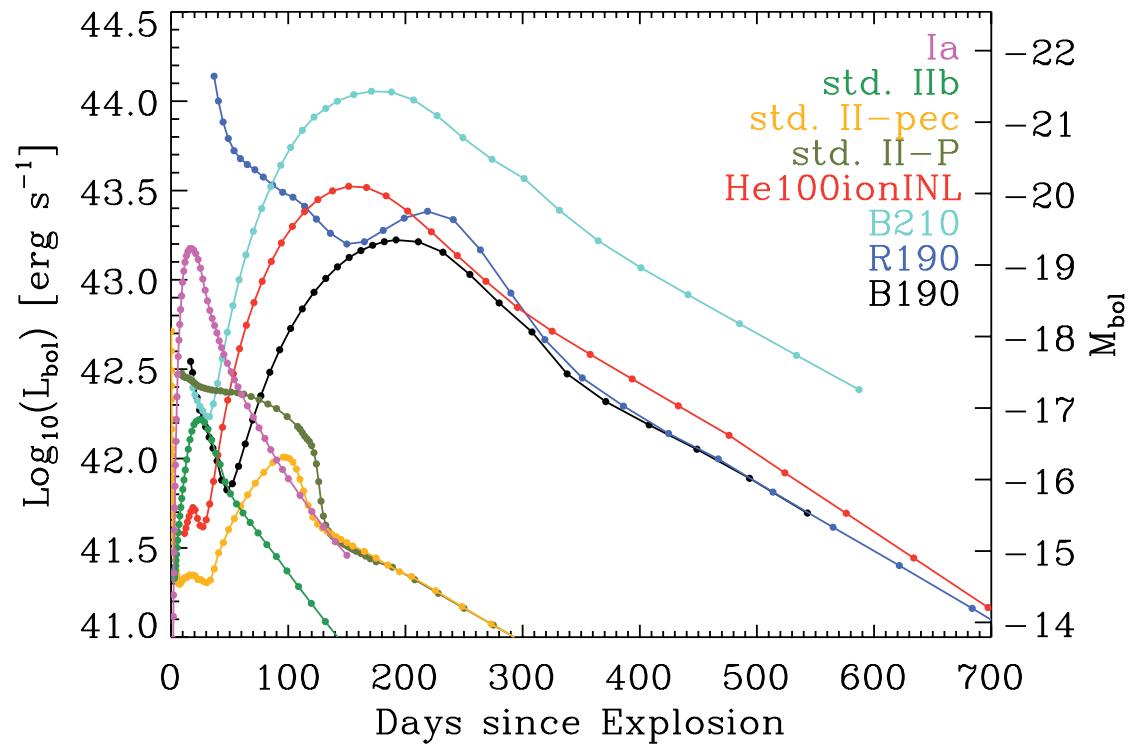
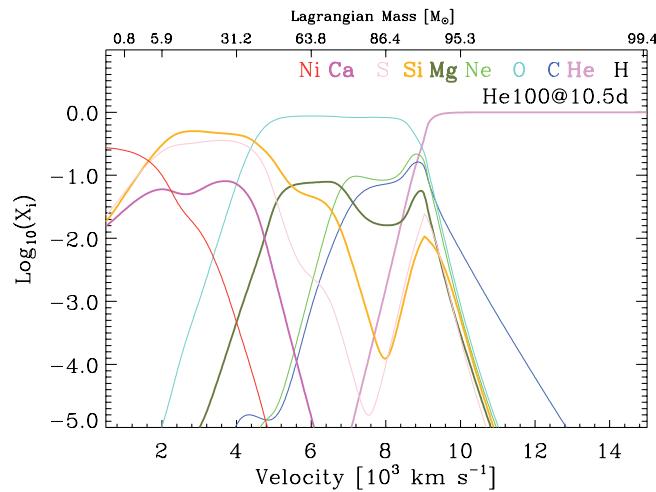
Diversity of  $\rho(m)$   
above Fe core



# Radiative Signatures of Pair-instability Supernovae

- Our work: MESA/V1D/CMFGEN Simulations of  $\sim 200M_{\odot}$  stars at  $Z=0.0001$  exploding as RSG/BSG/WRs leading to SN II-P, SN II-pec, and SN Ic.
- $M(^{56}\text{Ni}) \approx \text{few } M_{\odot} \Rightarrow \text{Huge } L_{\text{peak}}$
- Huge energy release ( $\times 10$ ) and ejecta mass ( $\times 10$ )  $\Rightarrow$  modest E/M and expansion rate
- Large ejecta optical depth  $\Rightarrow$  Long rise time, broad LCs, slow evolution

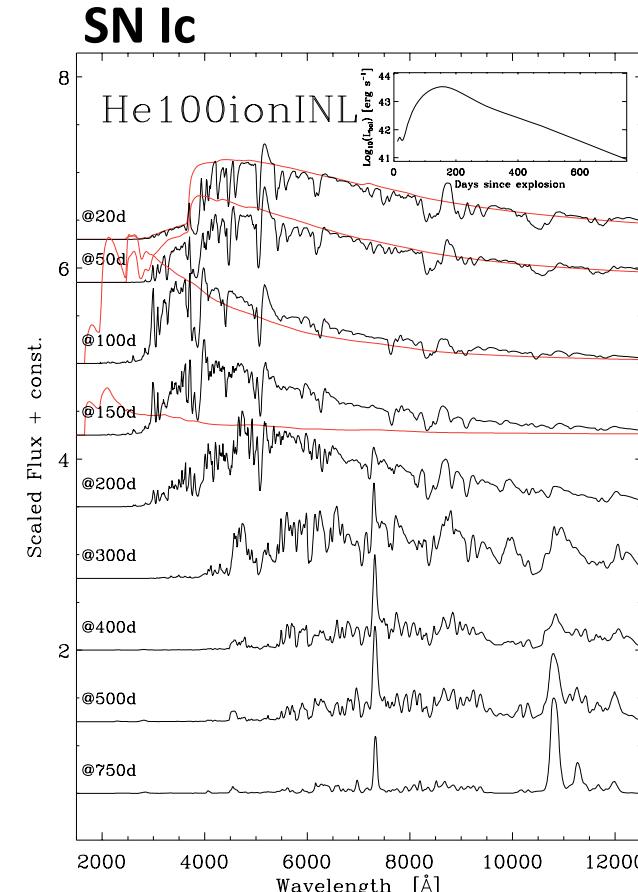
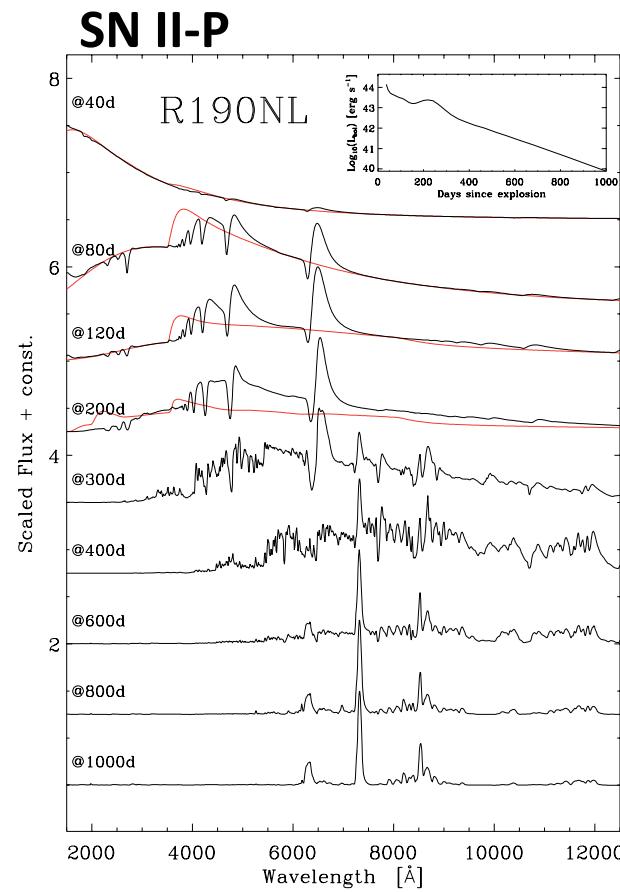
Model	Type	$M_i$ ( $M_{\odot}$ )	$M_f$ ( $M_{\odot}$ )	$R_*$ ( $R_{\odot}$ )	$E_{\text{kin}}$ (B)	$M_{\text{ejecta}}$ ( $M_{\odot}$ )	$M_{^{56}\text{Ni}}$ ( $M_{\odot}$ )
B190(NL)	BSG	190.0	133.9	186	34.5	133.9	2.99
R190(NL)	RSG	190.0	164.1	4044	33.2	164.1	2.63
B210(NL)	BSG	210.0	146.7	146	65.9	146.7	21.3
He100(NL) <sup>a</sup>	WNE	100.0	100.0	1	37.6	100.0	5.02
He100K <sup>b</sup>	WNE	100.0	100.0	–	40.9	100.0	5.00



(Dessart et al. 2013)

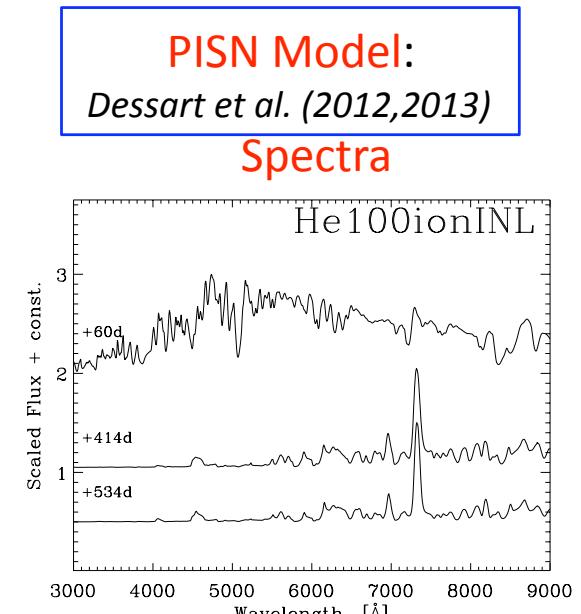
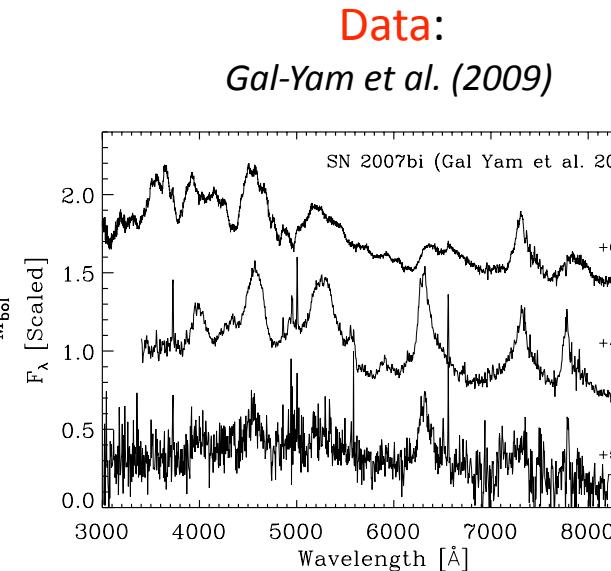
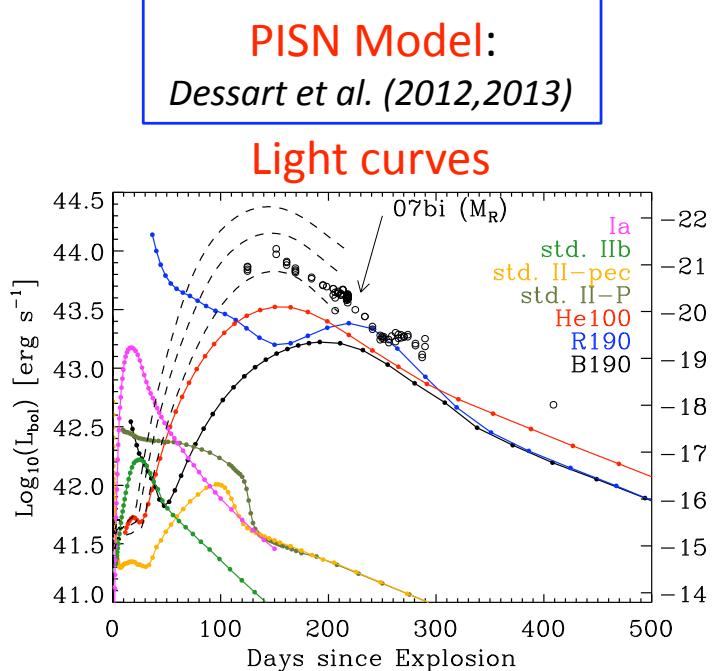
# Pair-instability Supernovae: Spectral signatures

- High mass and low/moderate  $M(^{56}\text{Ni})/M(\text{ejecta})$   
⇒ Strong chemical stratification. H/He – IMEs - IGEs
- ⇒ Cool temperatures and strong metal line opacity at/after peak => **Red spectra**
- ⇒ Standard expansion rate, slow inner ejecta => narrow nebular lines

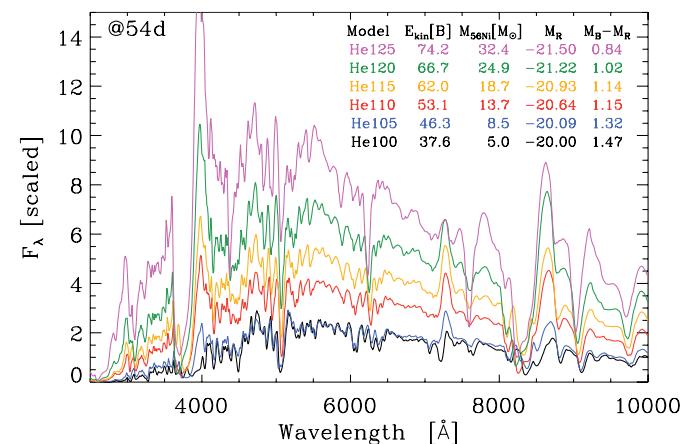


# Pair-instability Supernovae

Comparison to SN 2007bi : Proposed as PISN by Gal-Yam et al (2009)

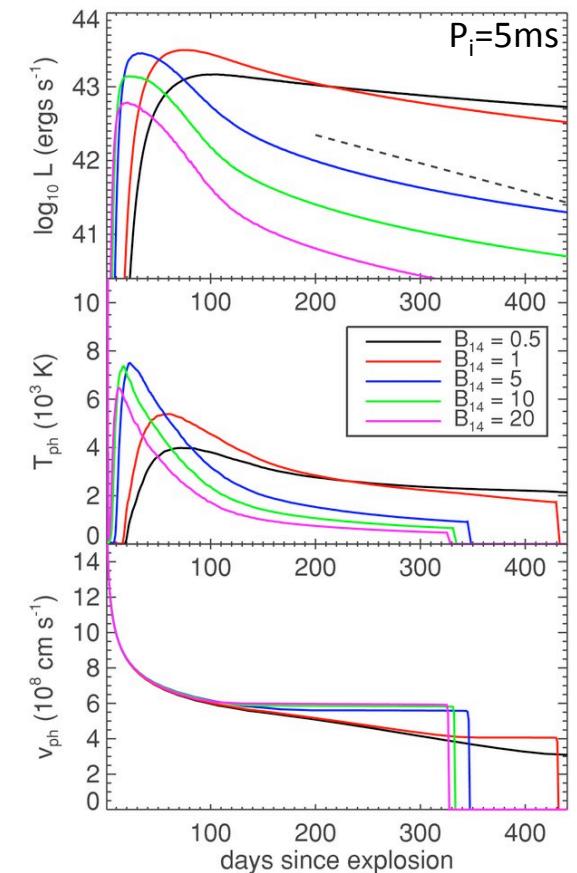
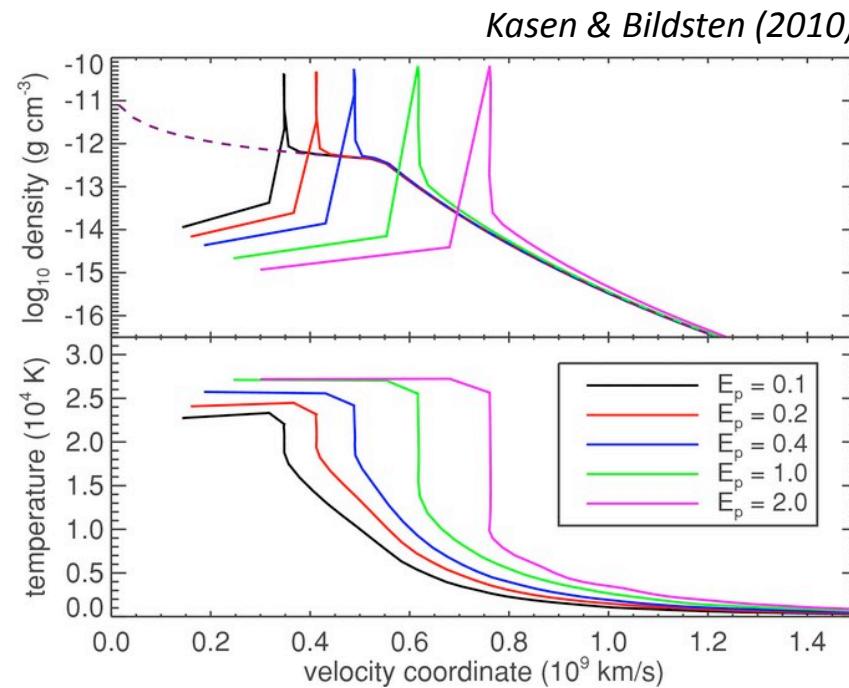


- SN2007bi: Proposed as PISN by Gal-Yam et al (2009)
- LC fit SN Ic model (He100) with  $5M_{\odot}$  of  $^{56}\text{Ni}$
- Spectra of SN 2007bi are blue with broad lines
- Contemporaneous model spectra are red with narrow lines
- ⇒ **SN 2007bi probably not a PISN.**
- ⇒ Lesson: Hard to produce a blue SN with lots of  $^{56}\text{Ni}$



# Magnetar-powered Supernovae

- Very different constraints: B and Period, not M
- Fast-spinning magnetar at birth:  $E = I\omega^2/2 = 2 \times 10^{50} (P/10\text{ms})^{-2} \text{ erg}$
- Dipole radiation:  $dE/dt = 10^{45} (B/10^{15}\text{G})^2 (P/10\text{ms})^2 \text{ erg/s}$
- Spin down time:  $E/(dE/dt) = 4.8d (B/10^{15}\text{G})^{-2} (P/10\text{ms})^2 \Rightarrow \approx \text{half-life } ^{56}\text{Ni}!$
- SLSNe: moderate B,P to have large E, dE/dt  
Spin down time  $\sim$  expansion time:  $R/V \approx 10d$
- Effects: Snow-plow of inner ejecta  $\Rightarrow$  Fast dense shell at base  
Injection of internal energy  $\Rightarrow$  High ejecta temperatures



# Radiative signatures of magnetar-powered Supernovae

Model: Delayed energy injection in the 1B explosion of a  $9M_{\odot}$  WC star

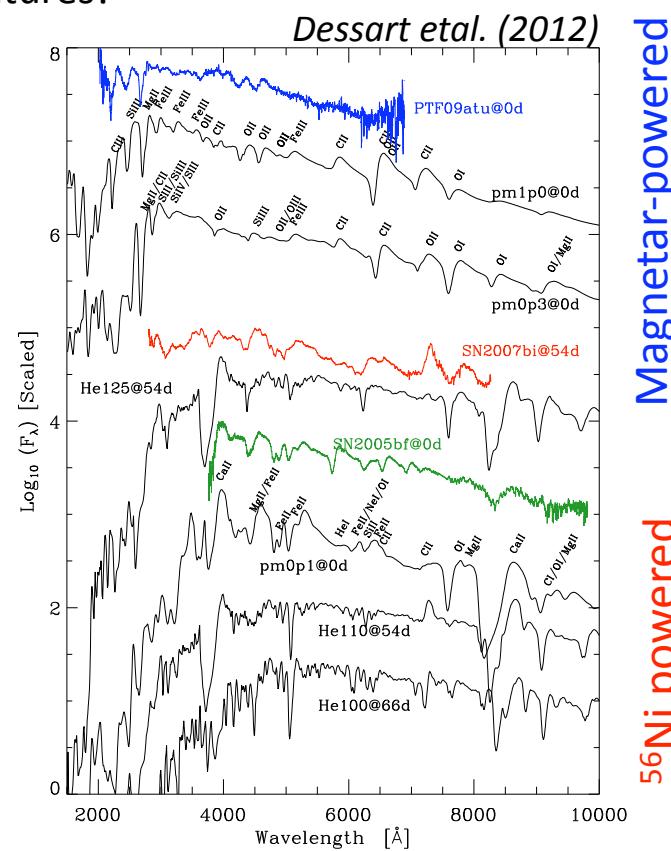
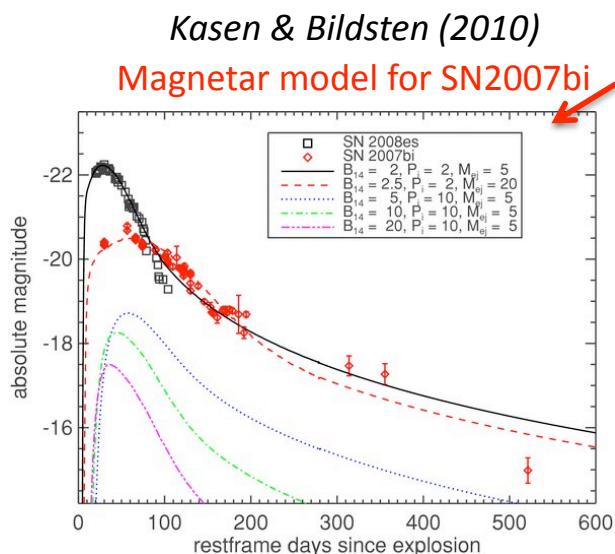
Huge luminosities

High E, moderate M => Fast rise to peak

Fast ejecta => broad lines at all times

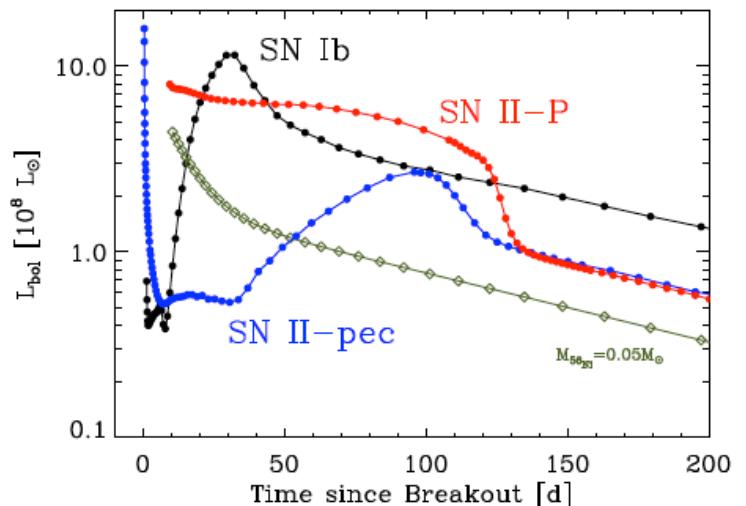
High temperature and weak blanketing => blue colors/spectra

=> Stark contrast with PISN signatures!



# Massive star properties at death

- Fe core:  $1.4\text{-}2 M_{\odot}$
  - Envelope structure/composition  $f(M_{\text{init}}, dM/dt, \Omega, Z)$
  - He/CO-core mass  $f(M_{\text{init}}, dM/dt)$
  - Single vs. binary star evolution
  - $dM/dt$ : wind ( $10^{-7\text{-}5} M_{\odot}/\text{yr}$ ) or RLOF ( $10^{-5\text{-}3} M_{\odot}/\text{yr}$ )
  - Final mass  $\approx 2$  to few  $10 M_{\odot}$
- Standard explosion: 1B and  $0.1 M_{\odot}$  of  $^{56}\text{Ni}$
- ⇒ Death as compact/extended light/heavy H-rich/deficient stars (WR vs. BSG/RSG)
- ⇒ Diversity of standard SN light curve and spectra connected to progenitor diversity

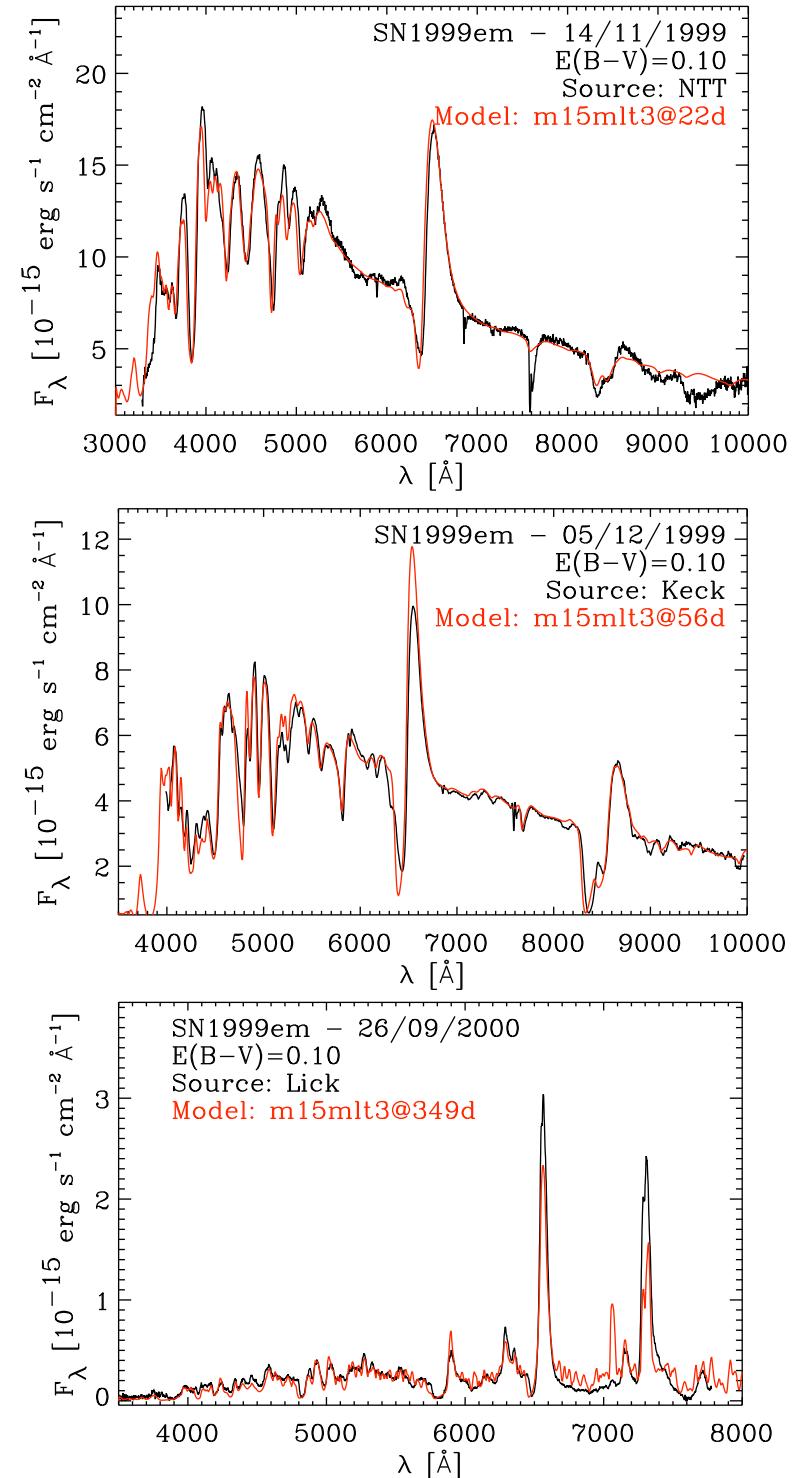
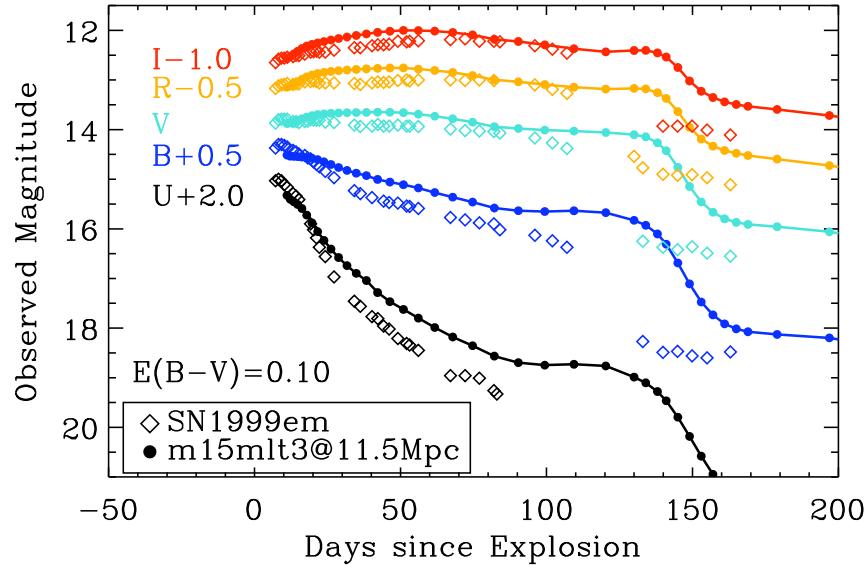


## Case study of SNII-P 1999em

1.2B ejecta from  
 $500R_{\odot}$   $15M_{\odot}$  RSG.

Dessart & Hillier (2011), Dessart et al. (2013)

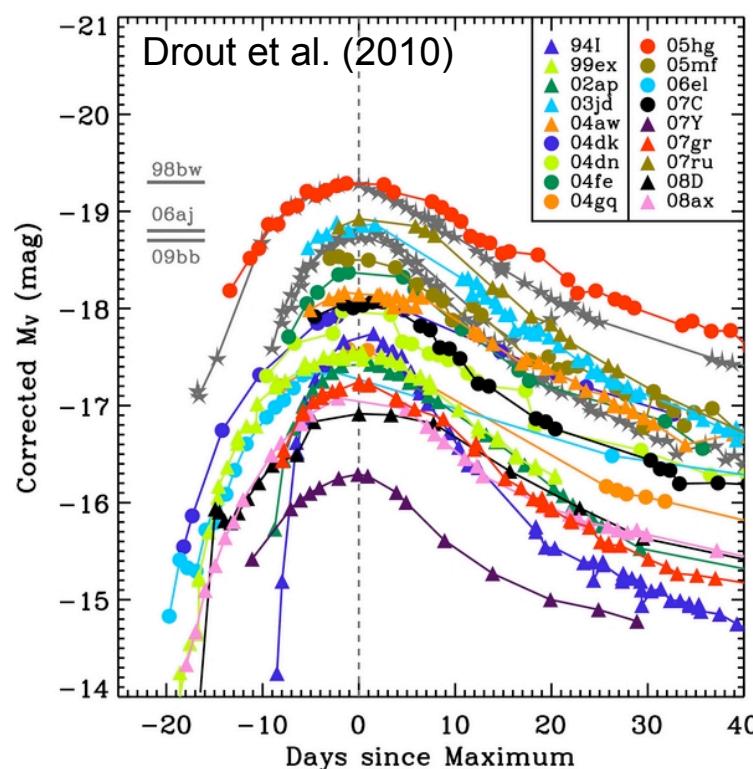
- Good match to flux, line profiles, ionization
- Non-thermal processes key for H $\alpha$  at late times
- Nebular spectra OK => Core properties suitable
- LC OK for colors but plateau too long – M(H-env.)



# SN IIb/Ib/Ic Light curves: Observations vs. models

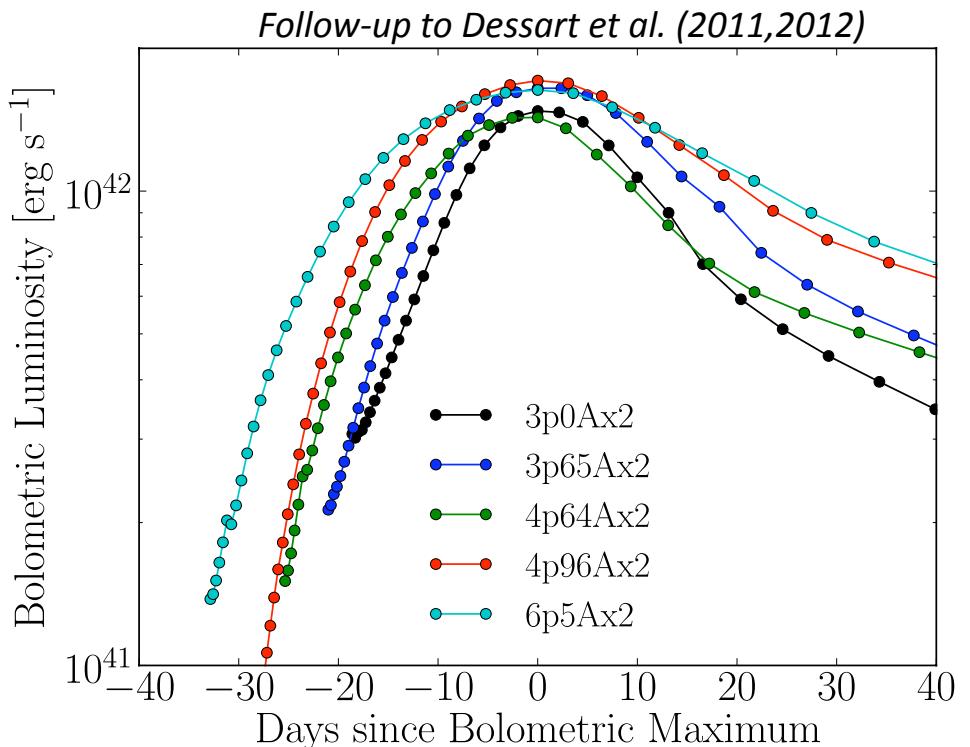
## Observations

- Rise time to peak of ~20 days
- Narrow peak (20d).
- SNe IIb/Ib/Ic have similar LC props.
- Scatter in peak brightness



## Models

- Early, narrow peak with fast nebular decline  
⇒ low-mass ejecta( $<5M_\odot$ )  
⇒ Binary star progenitors



## Progenitors of CCSNe

Diversity of std CCSN: LC primarily  $f(R_{\text{star}})$ , spectra primarily  $f(\text{composition, ionization})$

SNe II-P: RSGs from single star evolution,  $M_{\text{init}} \approx 10-25M_{\odot}$

SNe Ib/c: “He cores” from binary-star evolution,  $M_{\text{init}} \approx 10-25M_{\odot}$

Fate of higher mass stars unknown.



# LGRB/SN progenitors

## Collapsar versus magnetar

- Reduce  $dL/dt$  by quenching  $dM/dt$  at low Z  $\Rightarrow M_i \approx M_f$
- GRB/SNe ejecta masses:  $2-15M_\odot$
- But:
  - ⇒ Can we form BHs from a  $10-20M_\odot$  fast-spinning progenitor?
  - ⇒ Do they have the right core structure?
  - ⇒ Can they escape a magneto-rotational explosion and produce a SLSN?

Berger et al. (2011)

Explosion Properties of GRB–SNe

GRB–SN	$M_{\text{Ni}}$ ( $M_\odot$ )	$E_K$ ( $10^{51}$ erg)	$M_{\text{ej}}$ ( $M_\odot$ )	Reference
1998bw	0.7	30	11	Iwamoto et al. (1998)
2003dh	0.35	38	8	Mazzali et al. (2003)
2003lw	0.55	60	13	Mazzali et al. (2006b)
2006aj	0.2	2	2	Mazzali et al. (2006a)
2010bh	0.1	14	2.2	Cano et al. (2011)
2009nz (nominal)	0.35	2.3	1.4	This paper
2009nz (maximal)	0.6	8.4	3.5	This paper

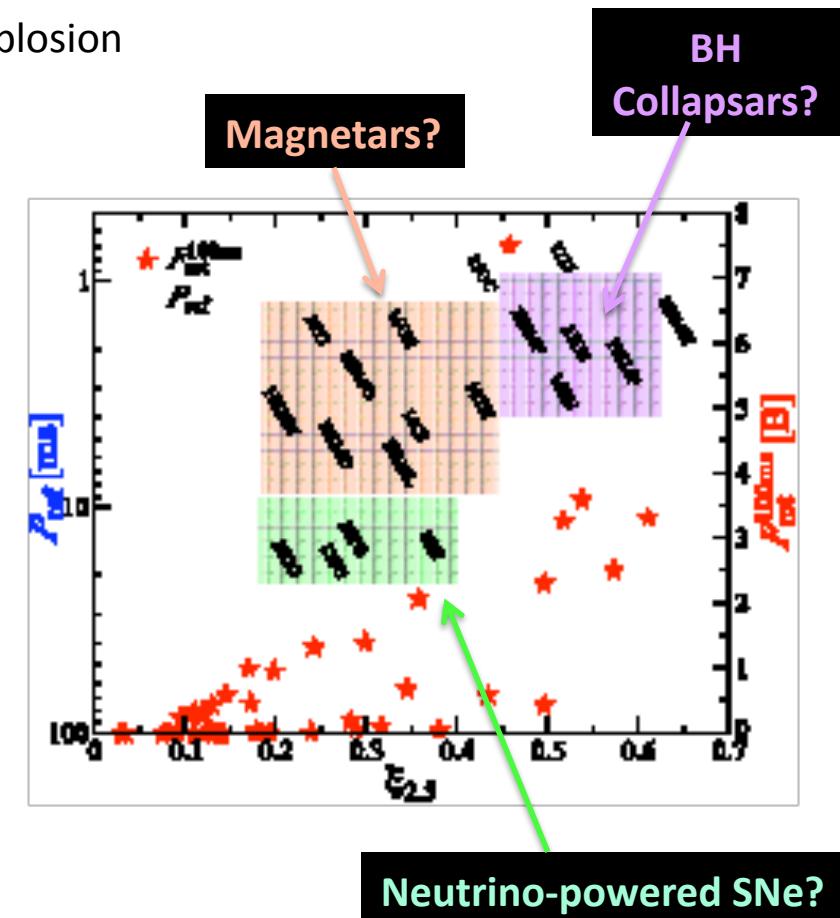
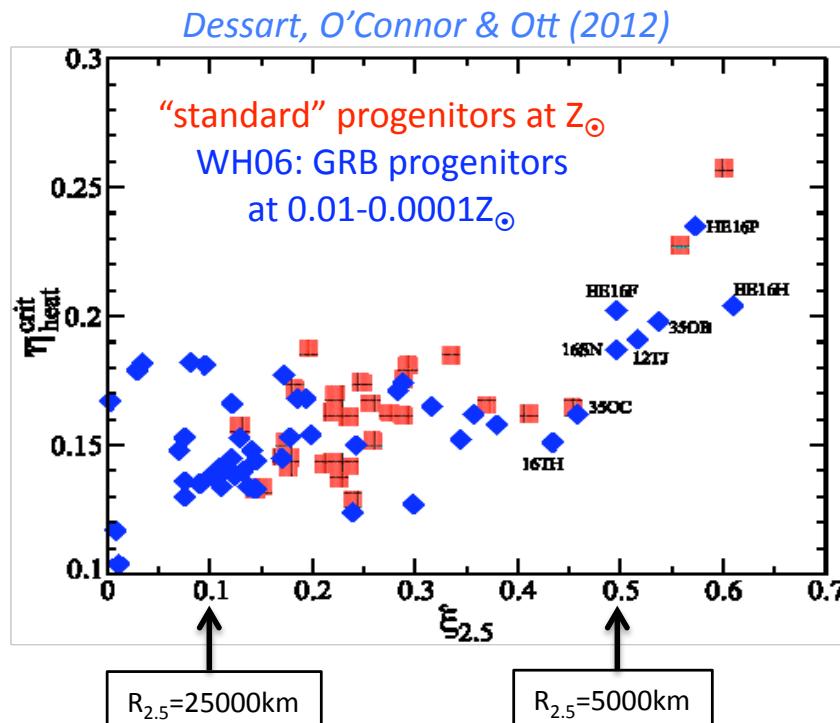
# GRB/SN progenitors of Woosley & Heger (2006)

## Likelihood of BH formation in collapsar progenitors

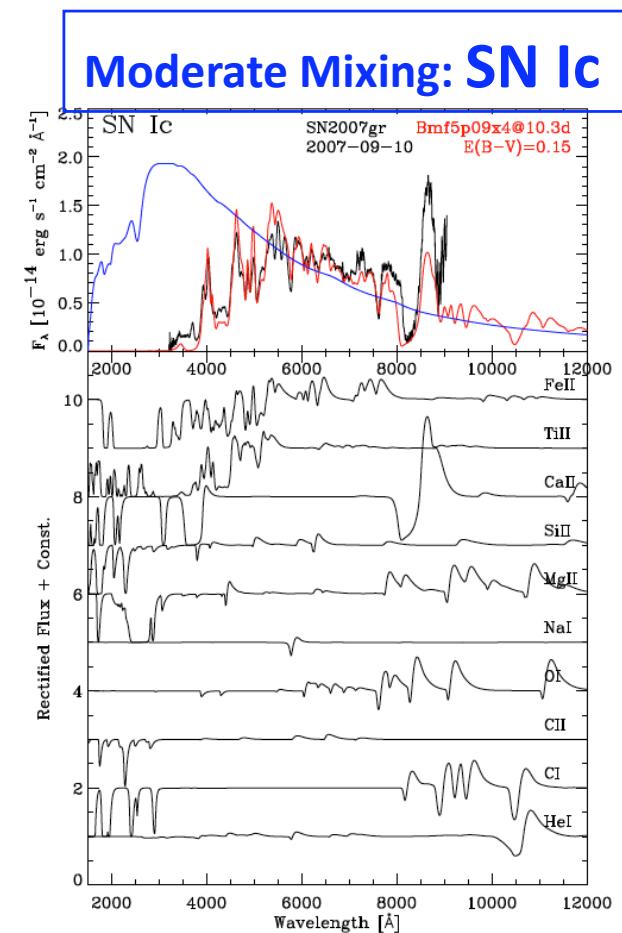
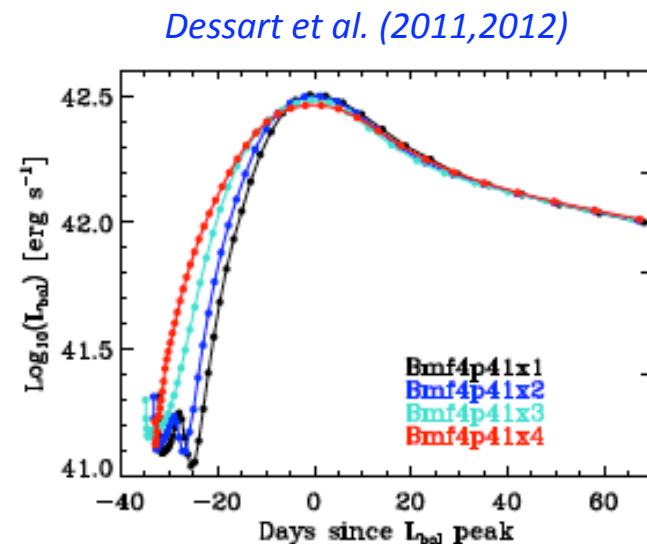
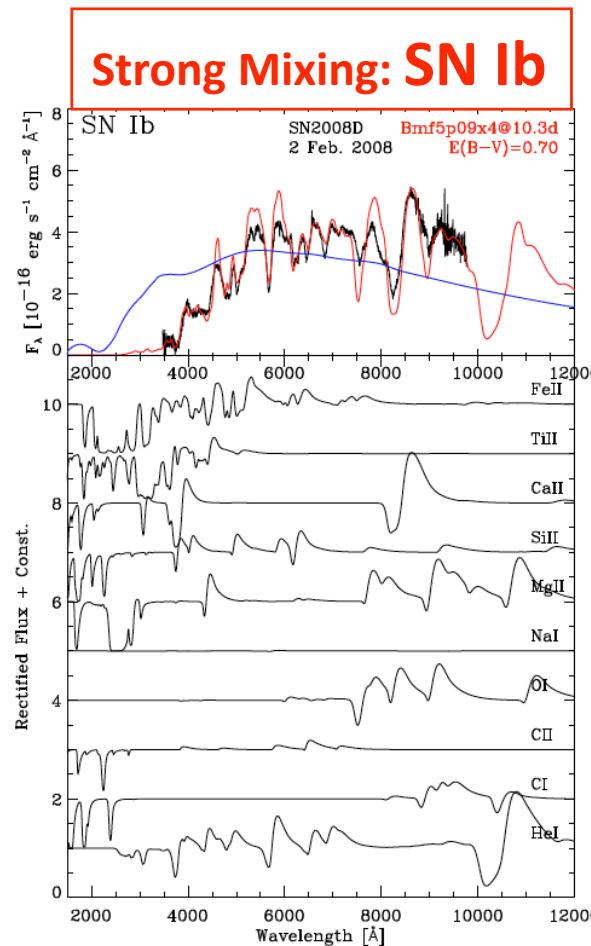
- BH formation is key for collapsar model
- Indicator: core compactness  $\xi_{2.5}$
- Most GRB progenitors (WH06) have small Fe core and  $\xi_{2.5}$ ; Overlap with  $Z_\odot$  progenitors!
- But huge core rotation to produce a MHD explosion

$$\dot{M} = \frac{M/M_\odot}{R(M_{\text{bary}}=M)/1000\text{km}} \Big|_{t=t_{\text{bounce}}}, \quad (8)$$

where we take  $M = 2.5M_\odot$ .  $R(M_{\text{bary}}=2.5M_\odot)$  is the radial coordinate that encloses  $2.5M_\odot$  of baryonic material at the time of core bounce (O'Connor & Ott 2011).



# Sensitivity of SN Ib/Ic classification; Effect of mixing in a $3M_{\odot}$ He-rich ejecta



## Mixing modulates:

- Bolometric rise time and brightening slope
- Spectral colors
- Width of lines (effect on ionization) => Inference of  $E_{kin}$
- **Non-thermal excitation of HeI lines => SN Ib or Ic classification**

# Summary

- SN radiation Modeling: tool to infer progenitor and explosion properties
- Superluminous SNe from CSM interaction, extreme M( $^{56}\text{Ni}$ ), magnetar radiation
- CSM interaction => SNe IIn: H-rich, narrow lines (some Ibn and IAn too).
- PISNe: broad luminous light curves with red colors. Slow expansion. Yet to be seen?
- Magnetar-powered SNe: diverse LCs ( $B$ ,  $\Omega$ ), short rise time, blue colors, fast expansion (broad nebular lines).  
=>  $^{56}\text{Ni}$  power vs. « Magnetar » power produce different signatures
- Fast core rotation + low  $M_{\text{init}}$ /low compactness good for magnetar formation + SLSNe; suitable for black holes?
- Helium in SNe Ic? Problem of mixing and/or CO core mass. Probably present in all SNe Ic.