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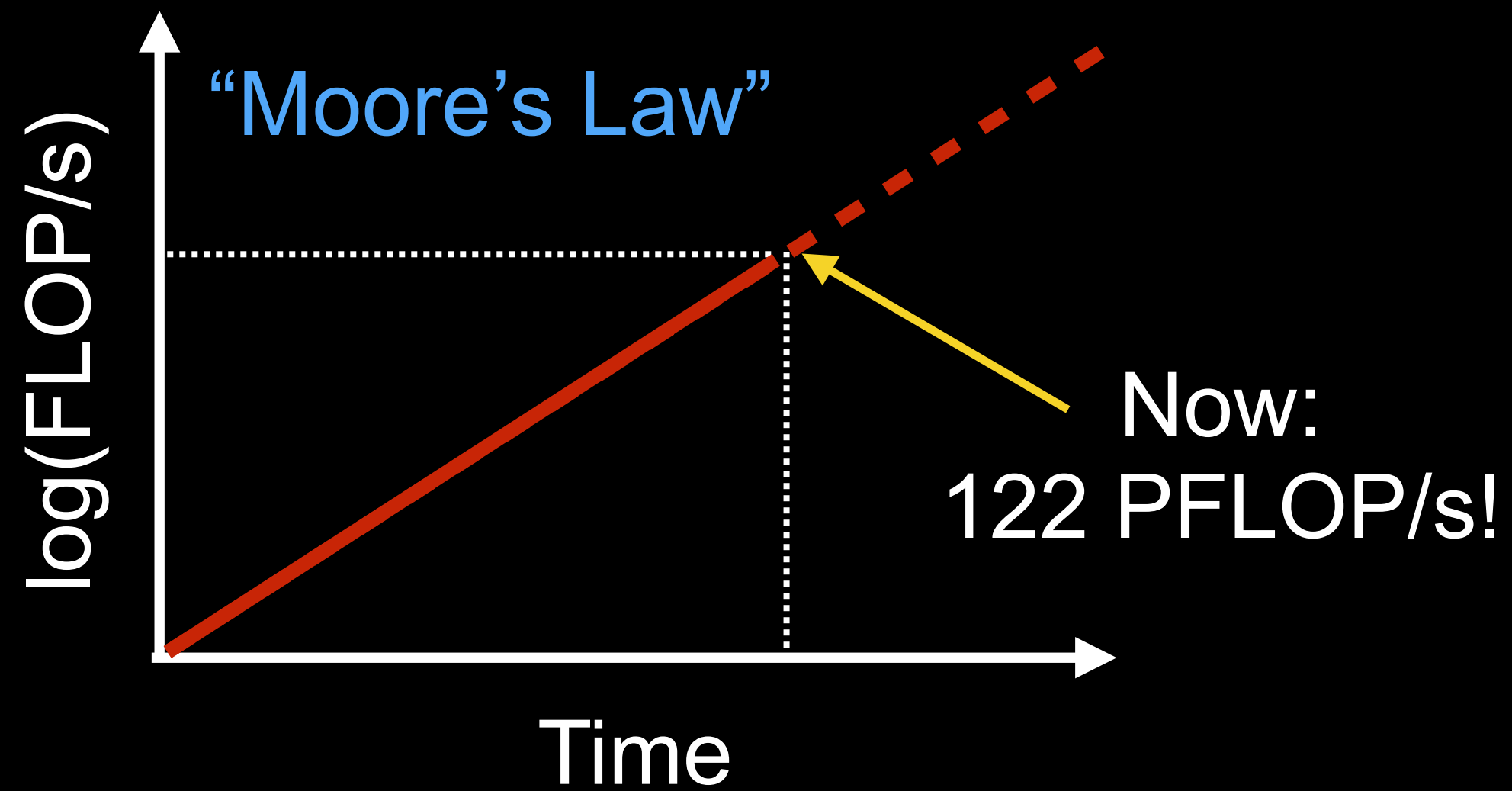
# The Turbulent Frontier in Massive Stellar Death

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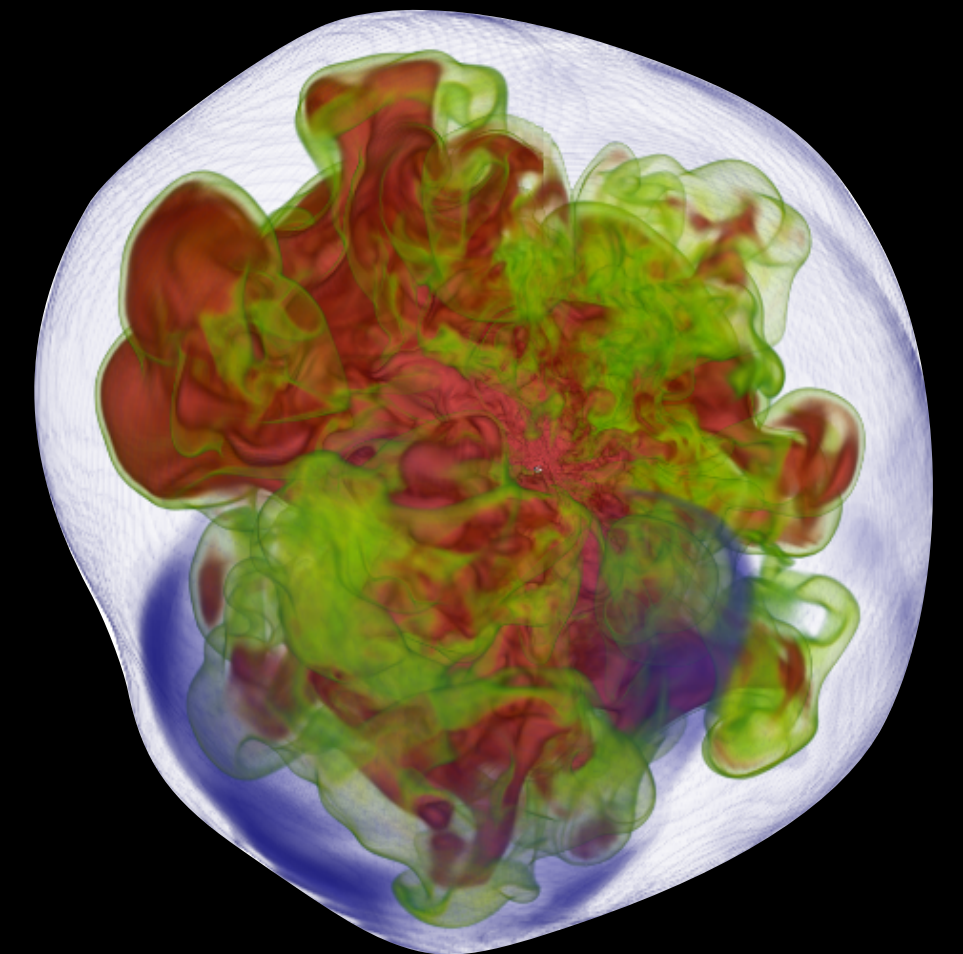
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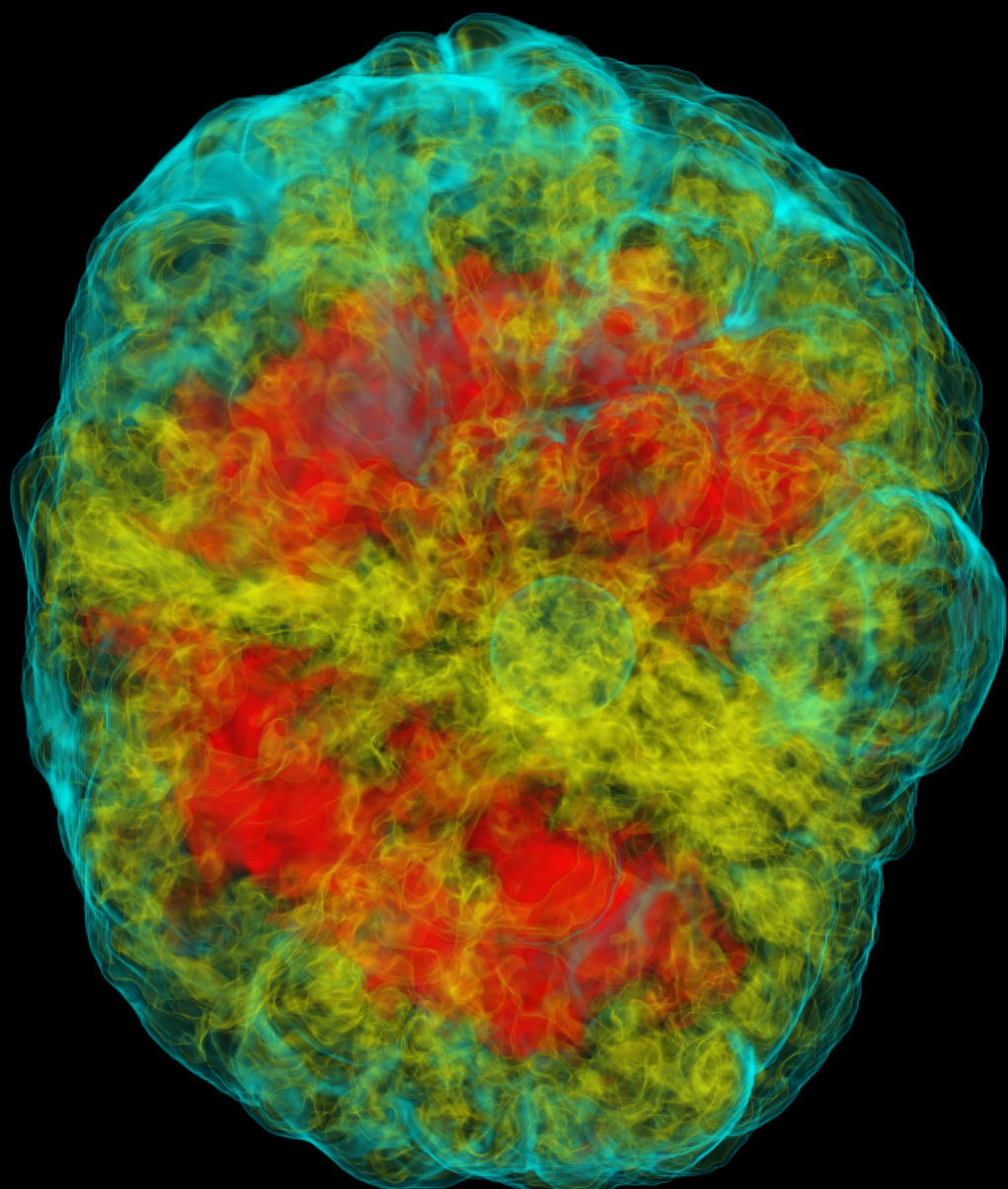
# Era of 3D CCSN *Explosions*



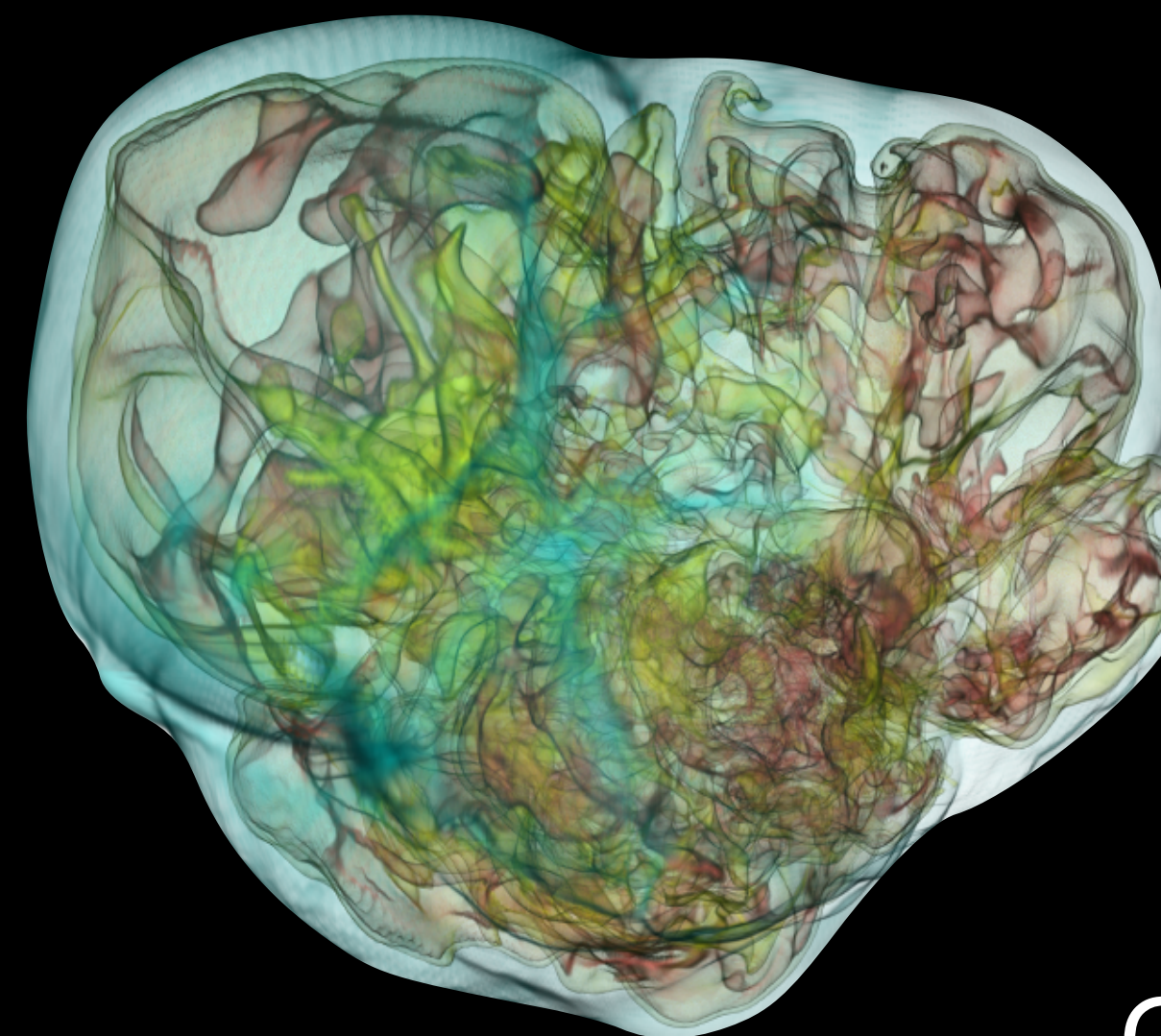
Burrows et al. (2019)



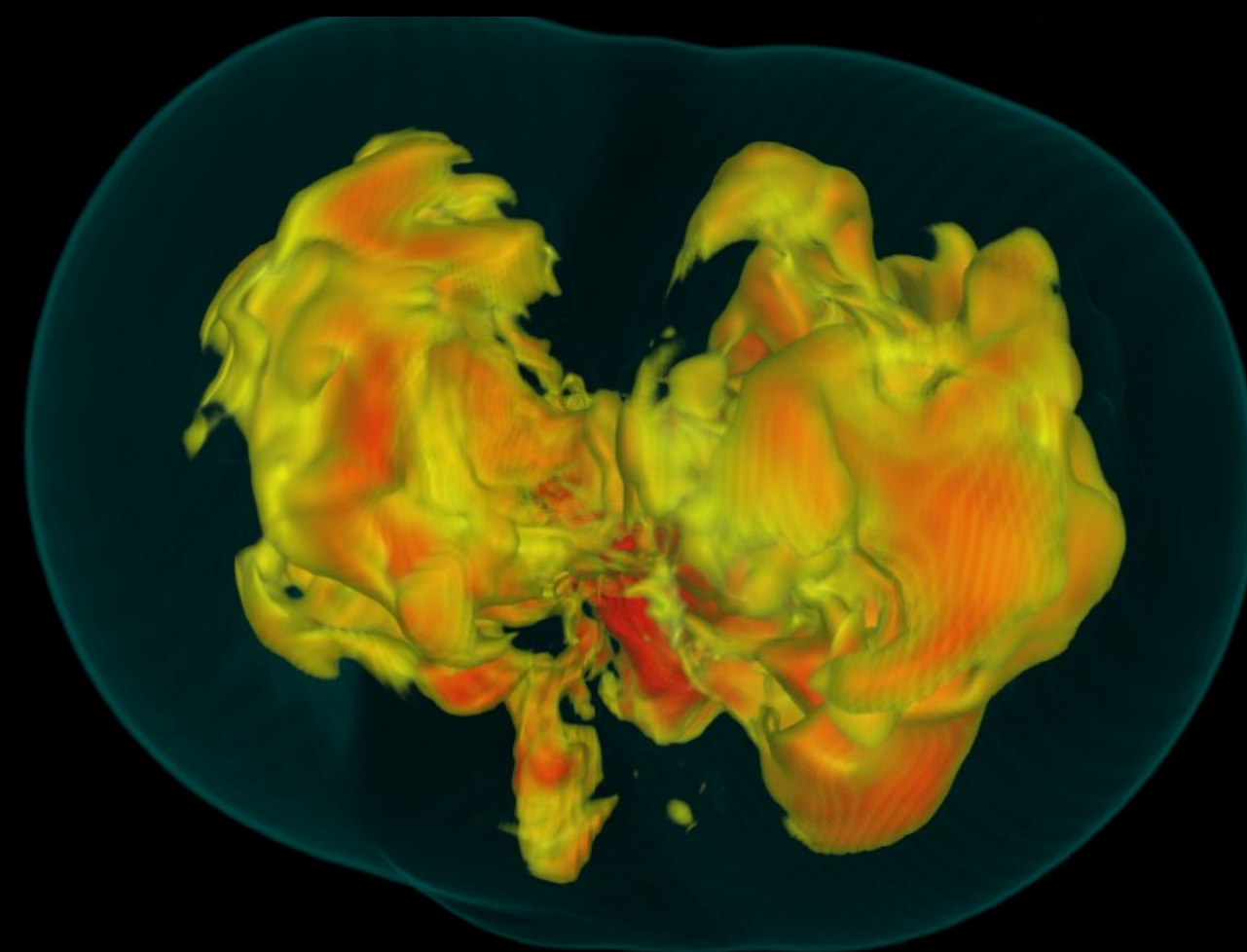
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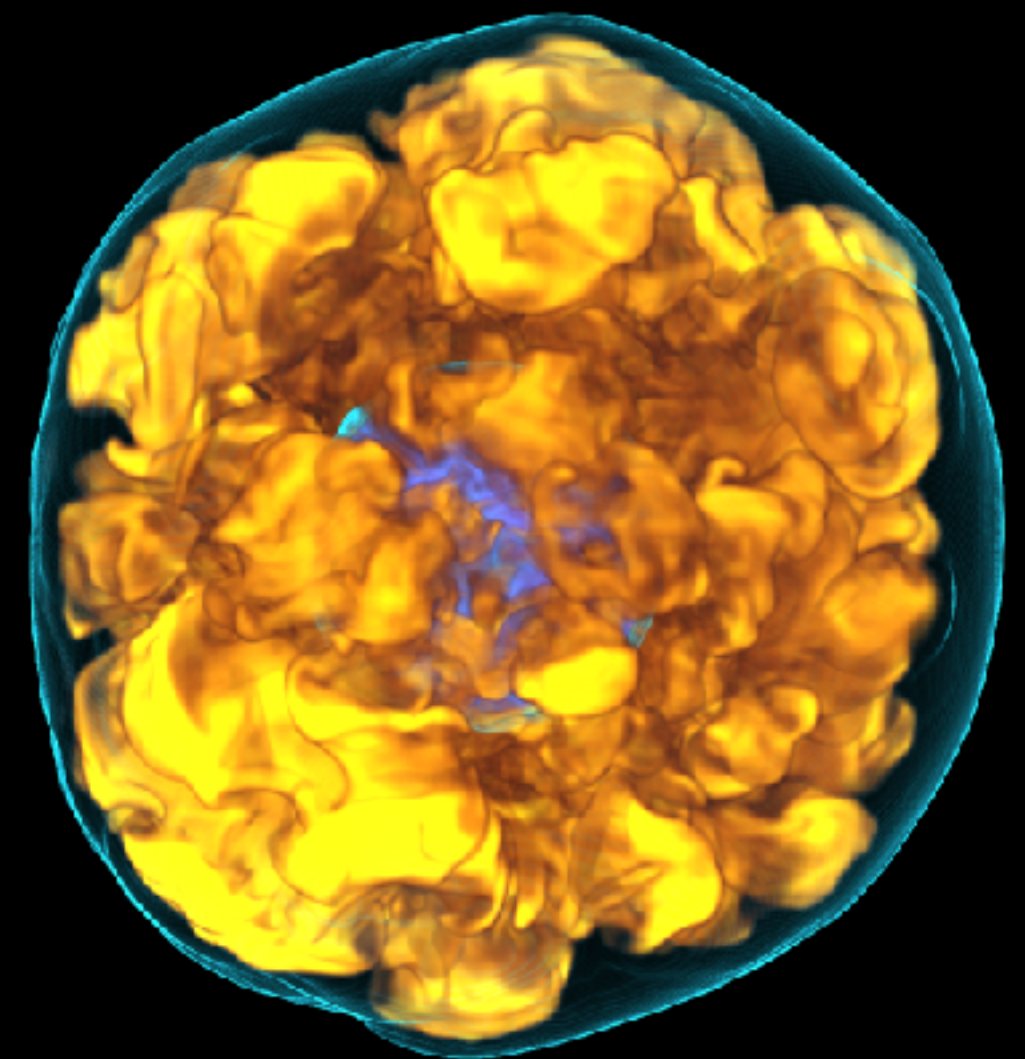
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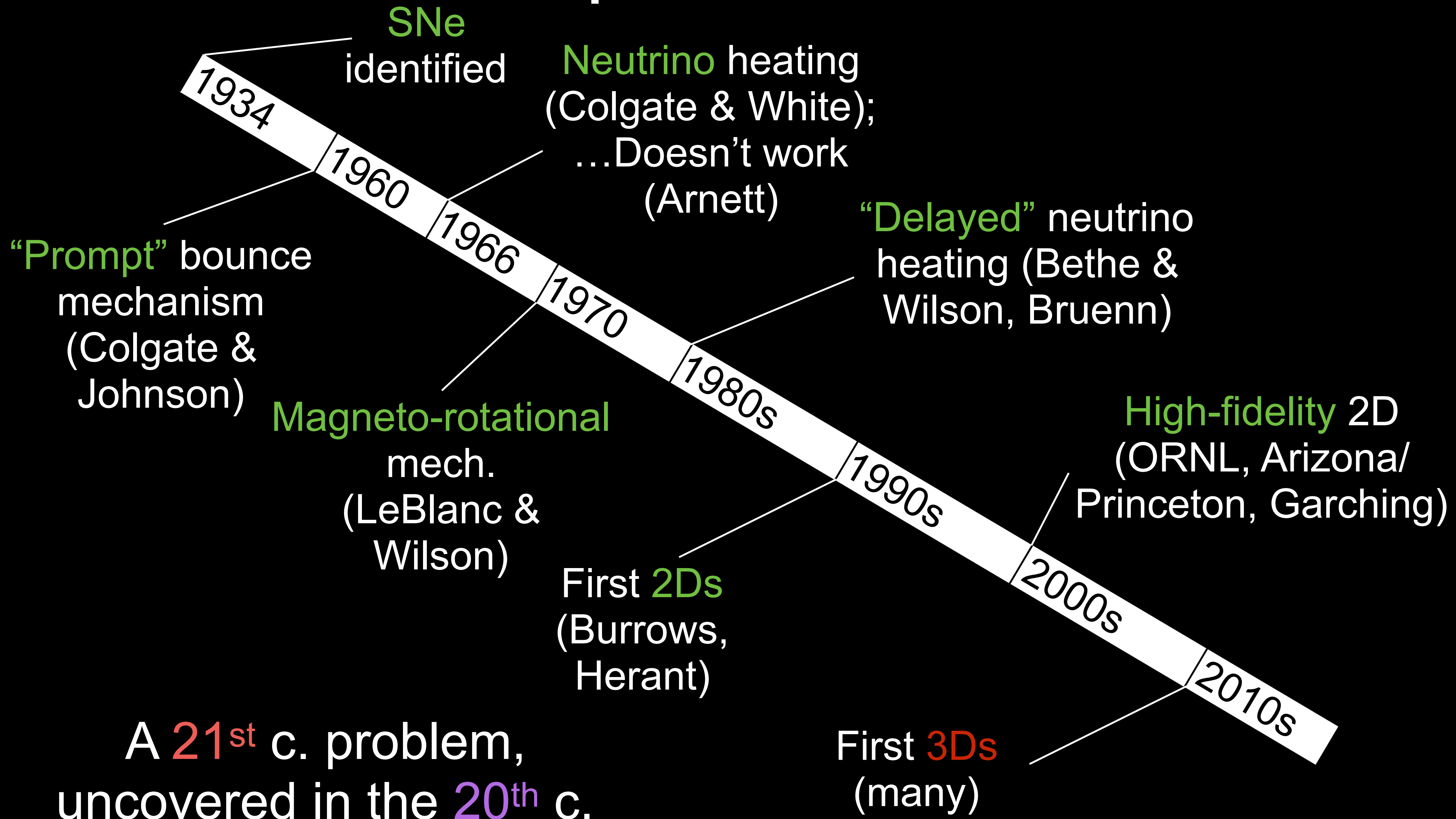
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O’Connor & SMC (2018b)



# Quest for Explosion Mechanism



# Multiphysics Challenges

Fully-coupled!

3D Magnetohydrodynamics

General Relativity

Boltzmann  $\nu$ -transport

Microphysics  
(Nuclear EOS,  $\nu$ -interactions,  
nuclear kinetics)

All four Forces:

Gravity

EM

Weak

Strong

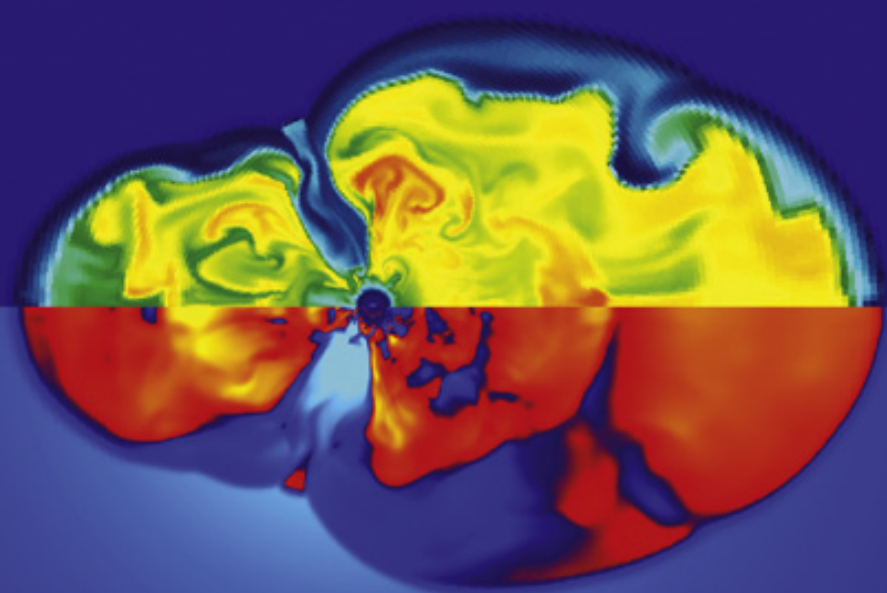
Need 21<sup>st</sup> c. tools:

- Modern microphysics
- Cutting-edge numerical algorithms
- Petascale computers (exascale?)
- Sophisticated software infrastructure (and open-source!)

# High-Fidelity Explosions in 2D

Oak Ridge-FAU

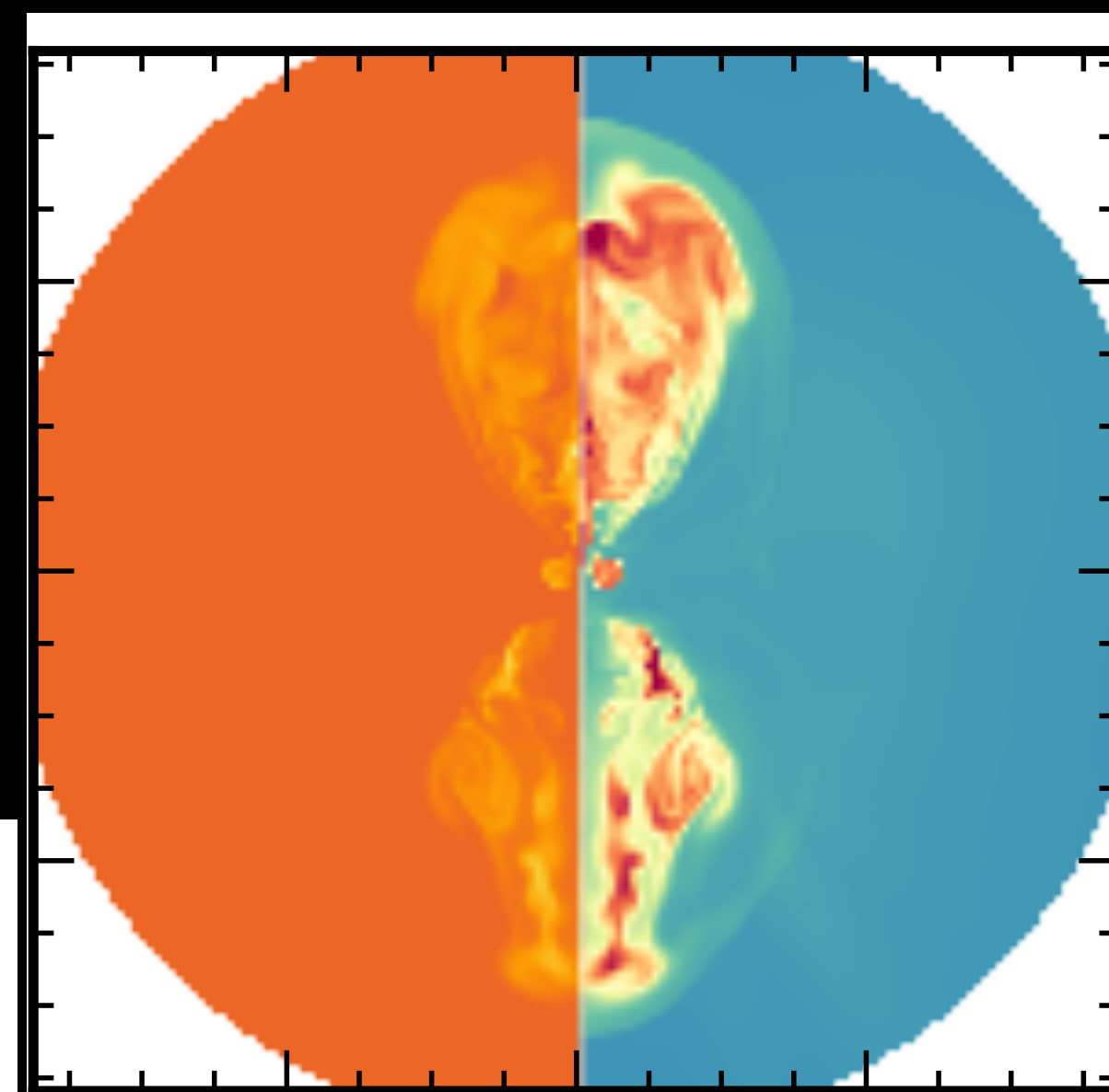
Entropy ( $k_B/\text{nucleon}$ )  
B15-WH07



Radial velocity (km/s)

Bruenn et al. (2016)

Princeton-LANL

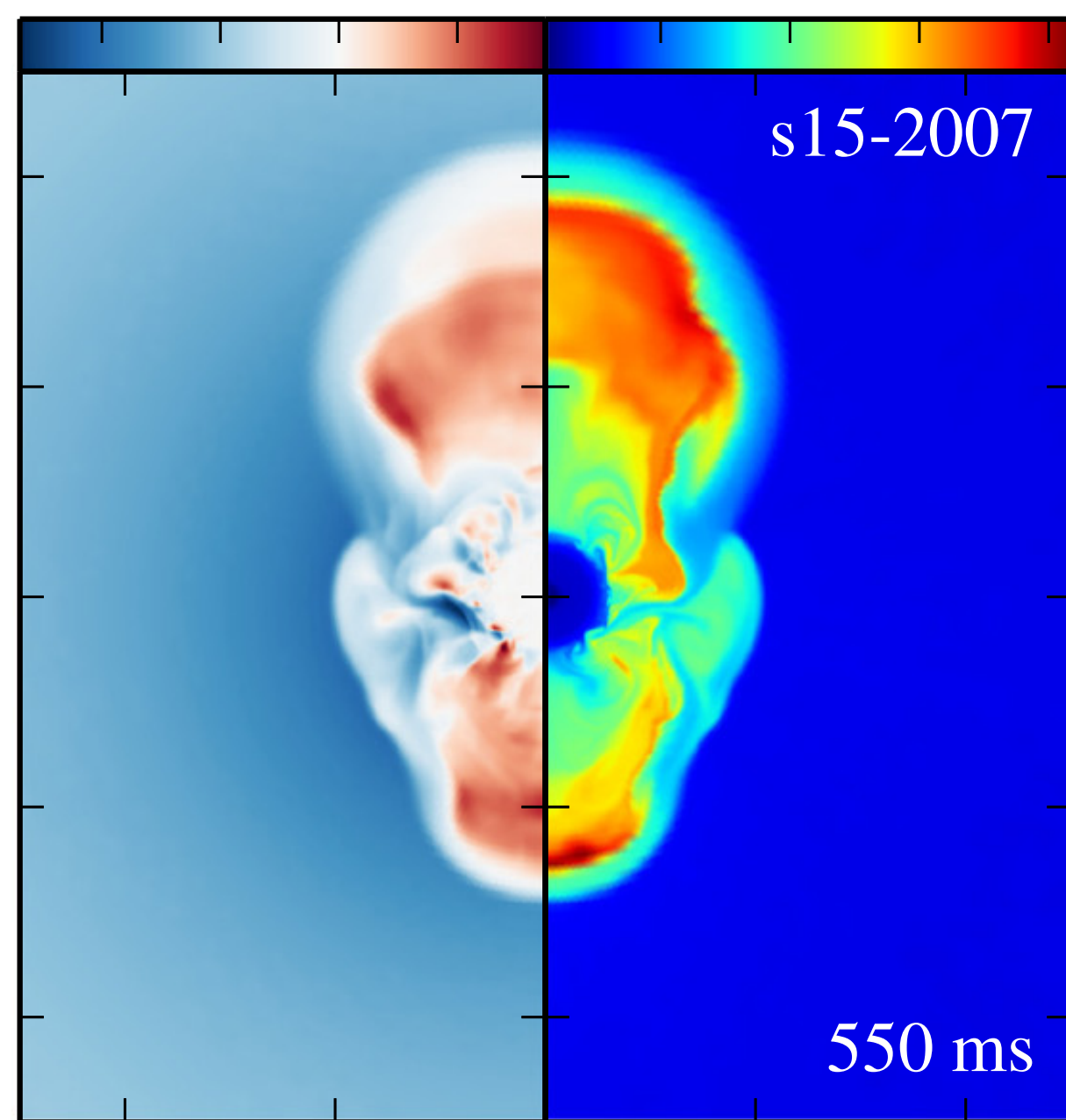


Emerging agreement in quantitative results

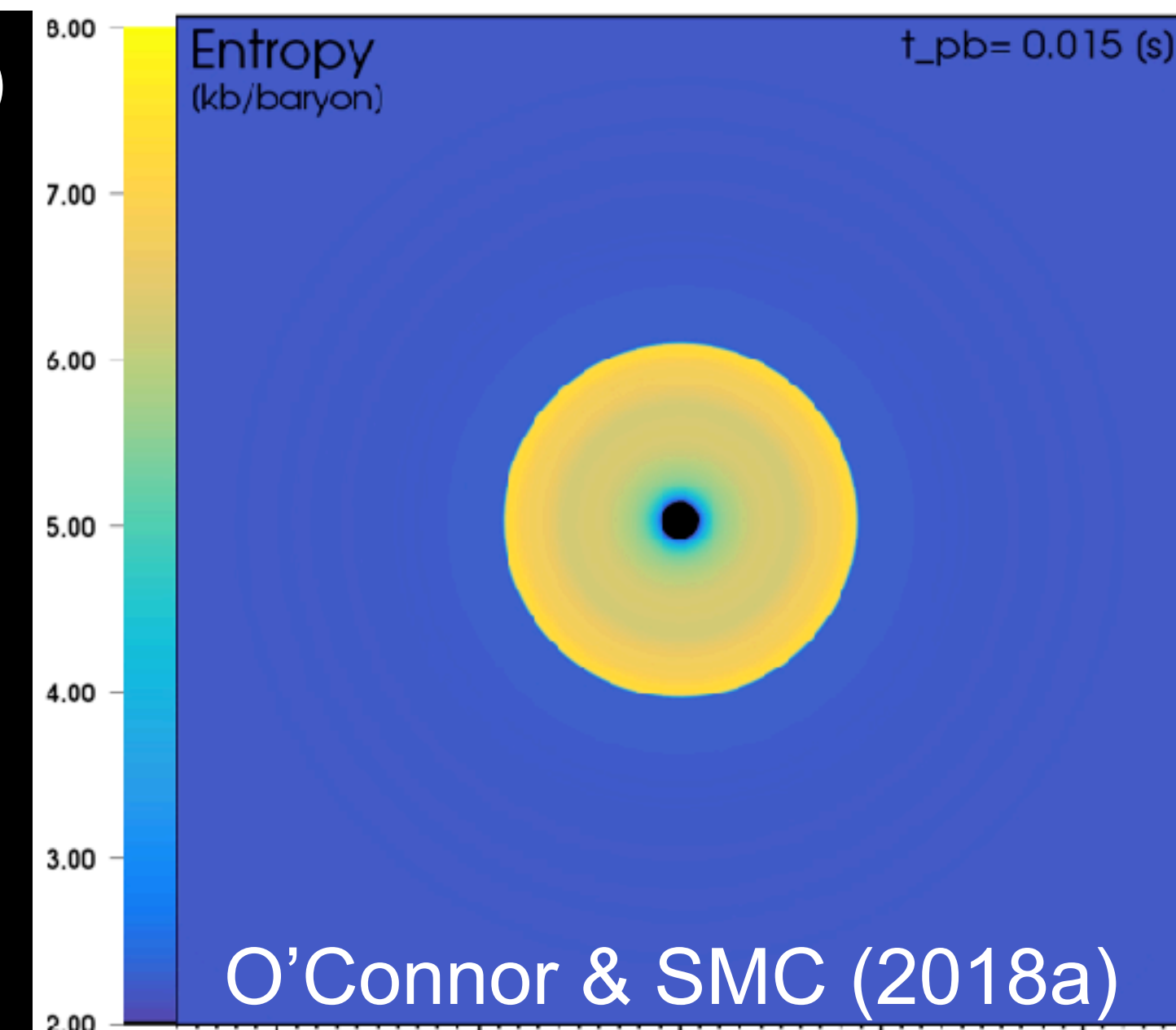
MSU-Stockholm

Garching-Monash

$v_r$  [ $10^9$  cm/s]       $s$  [ $k_B/\text{nucleon}$ ]  
-6   -3   0   3      10   20   30   40



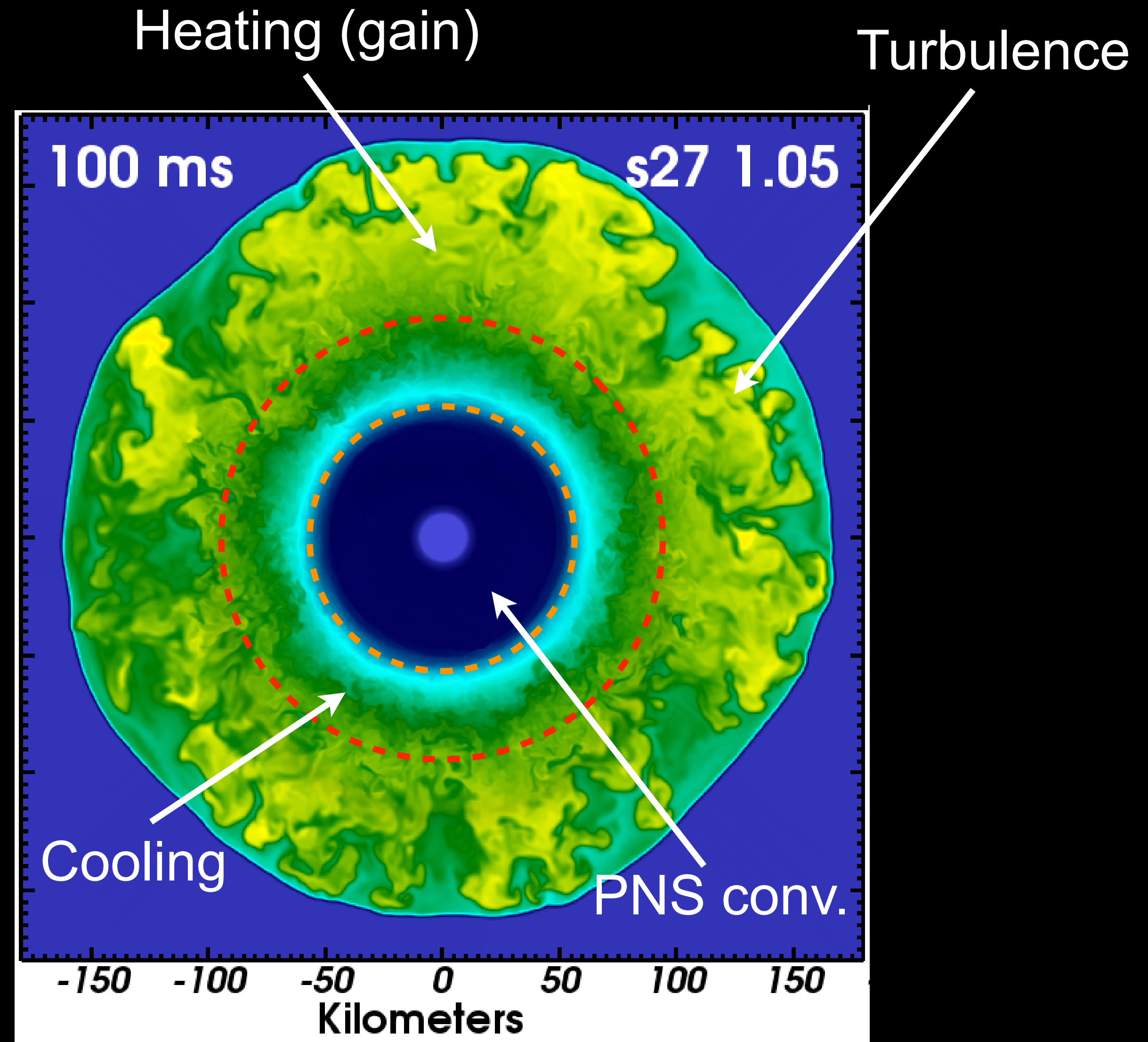
Vartanyan et al. (2018)



Summa et al. (2016) 5

# Why Do 2D & 3D Explode?

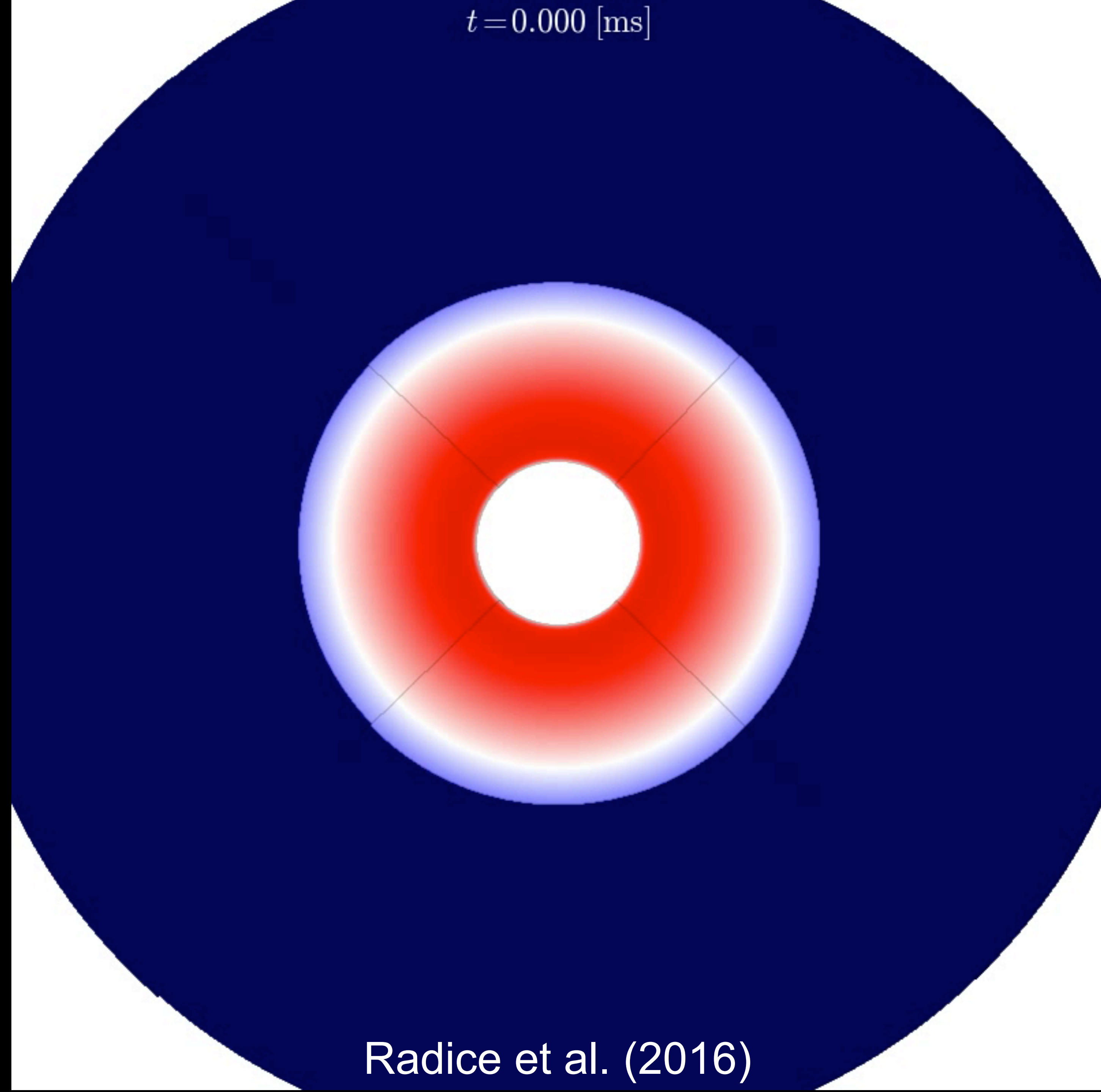
- Proto-neutron star convection => enhances neutrino luminosities
- Gain layer convection => increases matter dwell times
- Standing Accretion Shock Instability => expands gain region
- Strong turbulence => pushes shock out/heats gain region



# Turbulence in CCSNe

Murphy et al. (2013);  
SMC & C. Ott (2015)

- Neutrino heating => buoyant convection
- Convective plumes “stir” the post-shock region
- Turbulence exerts significant stress (i.e., pressure)
- Turbulent energy dissipates to thermal (Mabanta & Murphy 2018)



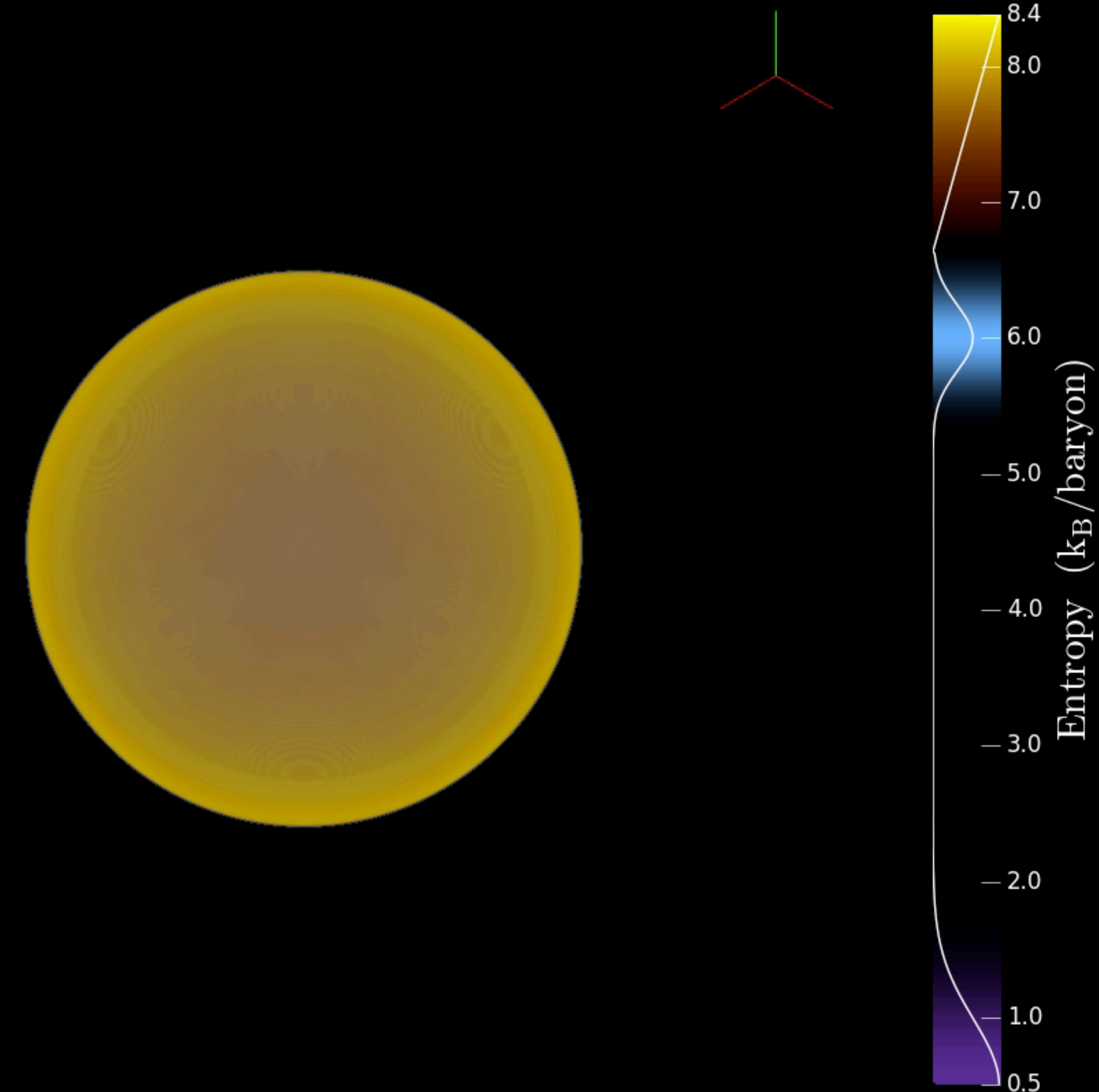
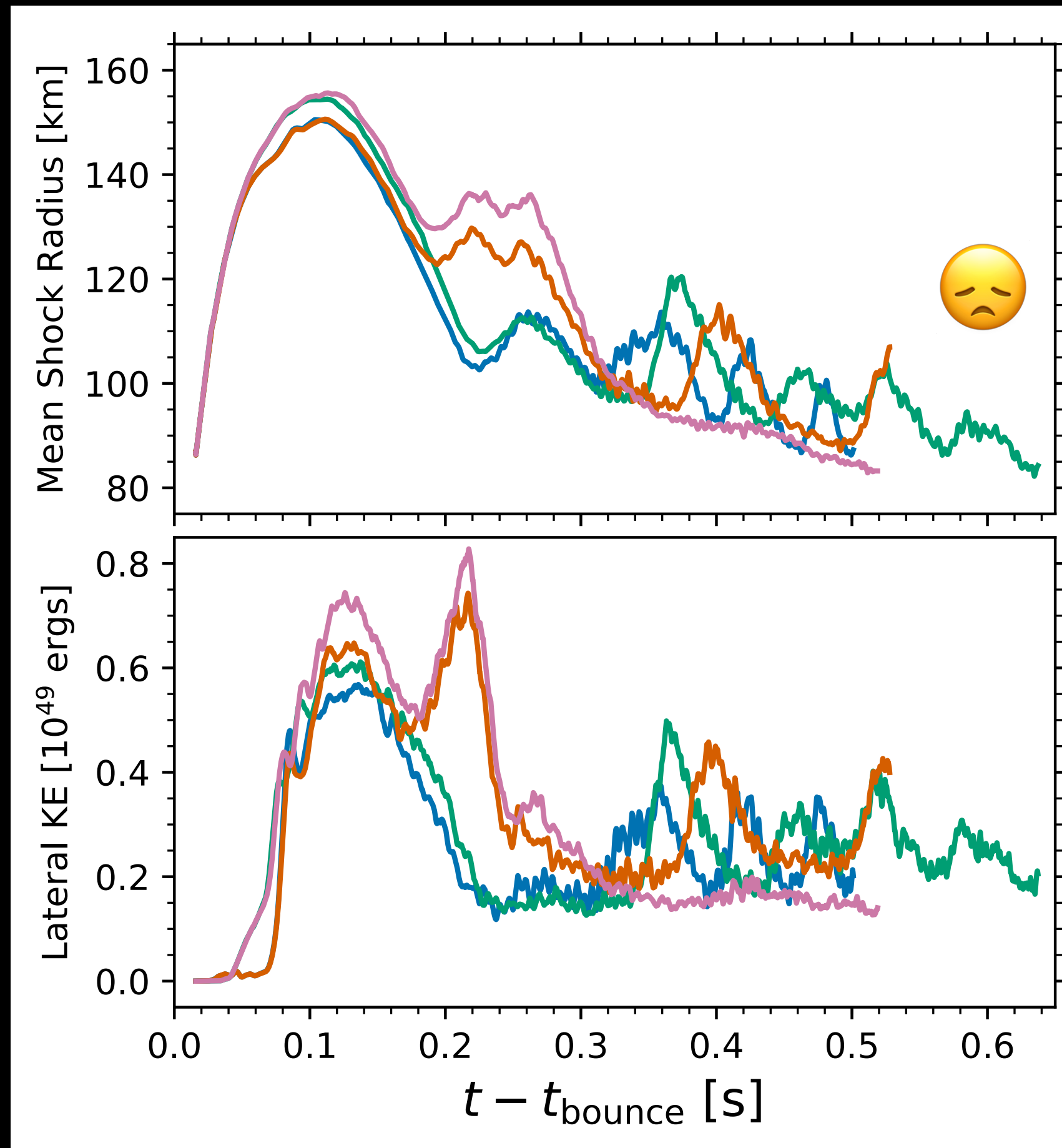
Does the neutrino  
mechanism work in  
3D?



# 3D FLASH-M1 Sims

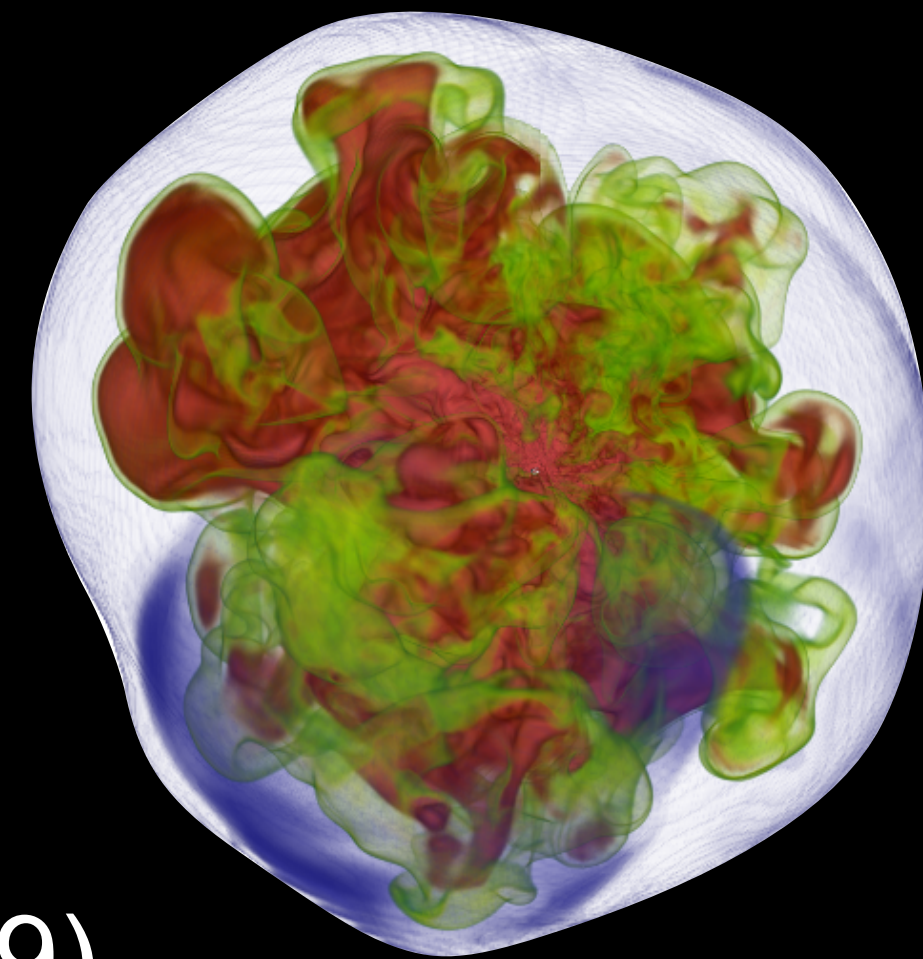
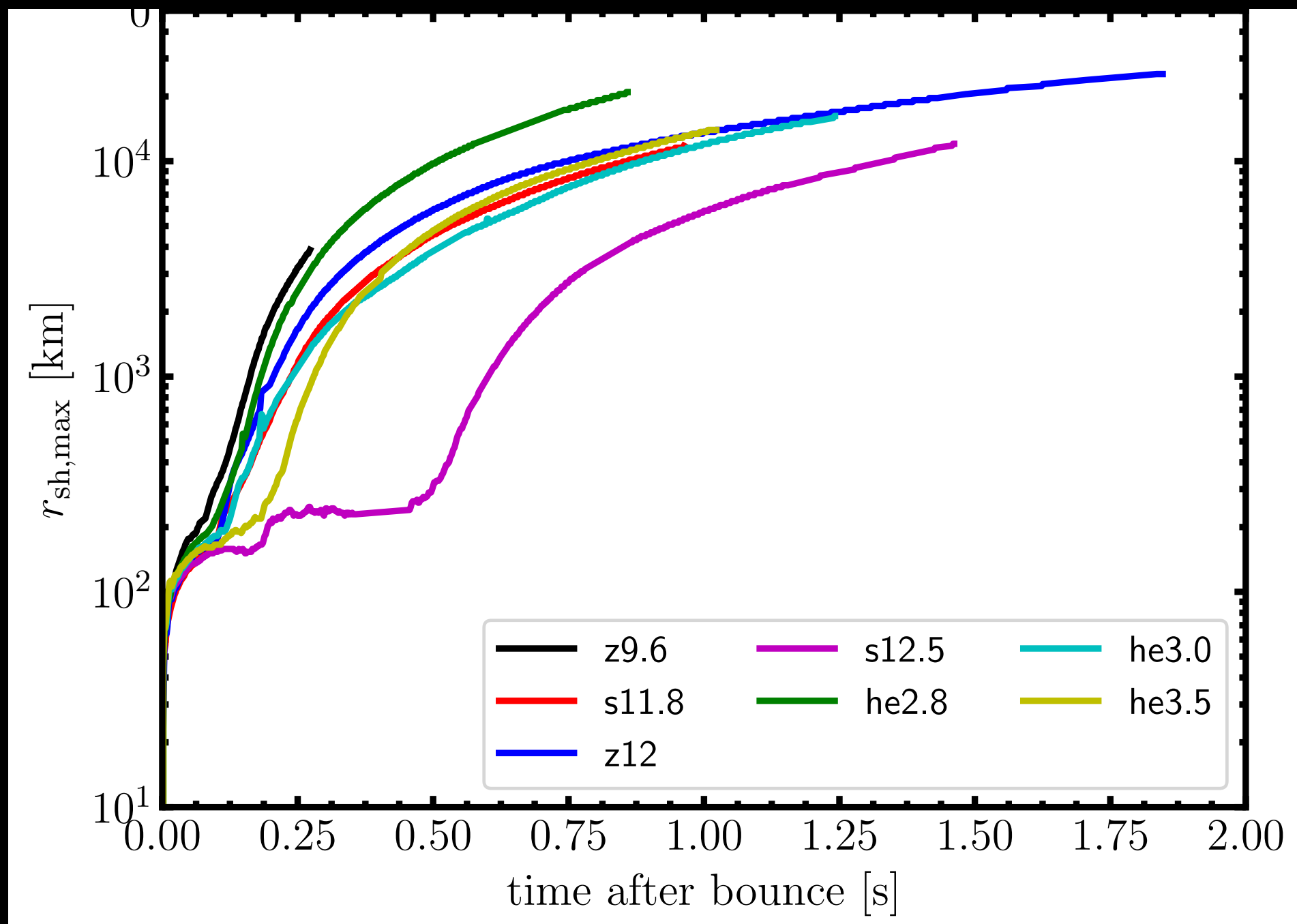
O'Connor & SMC (2018b)

Time = 16.8 (ms)

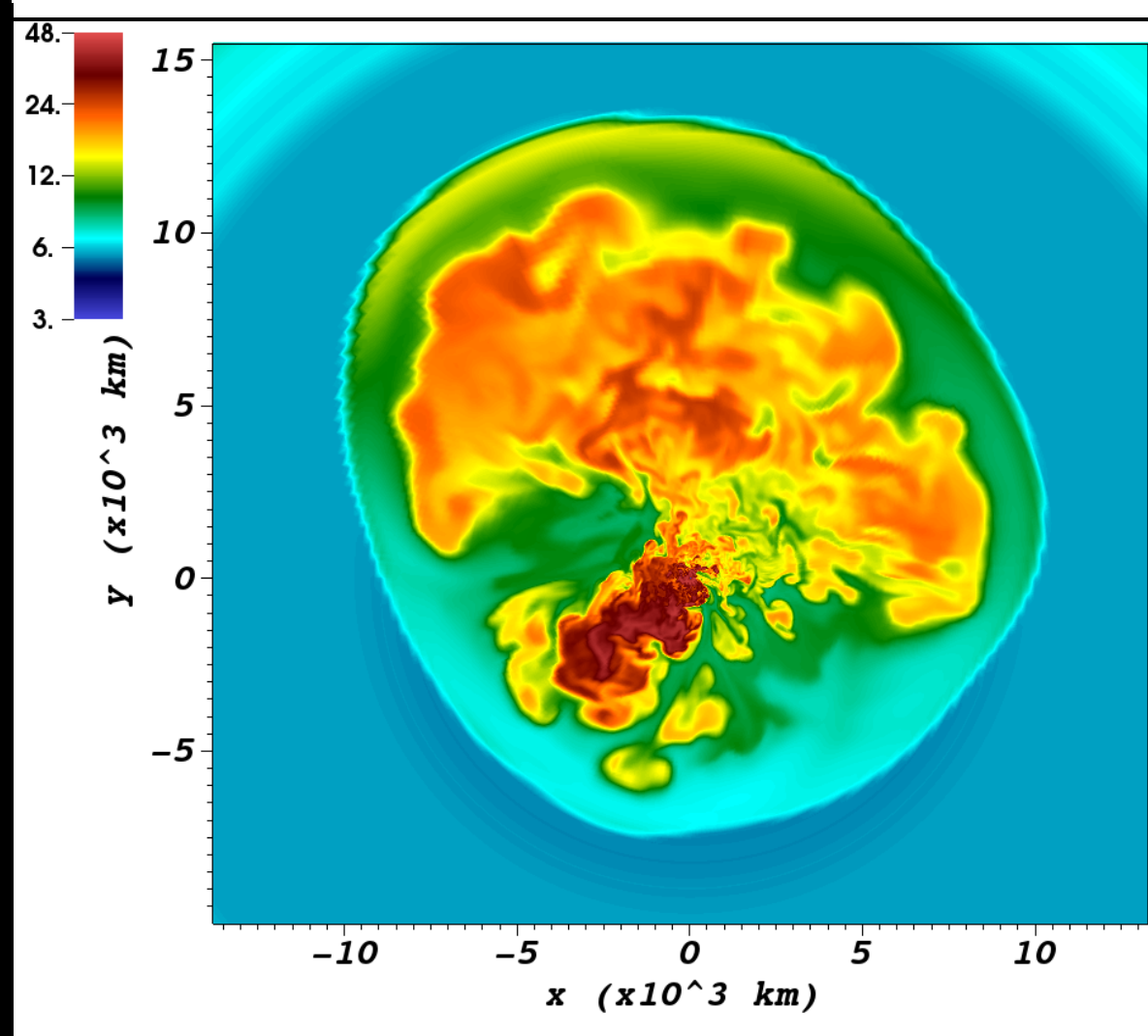


Choice of progenitor model!

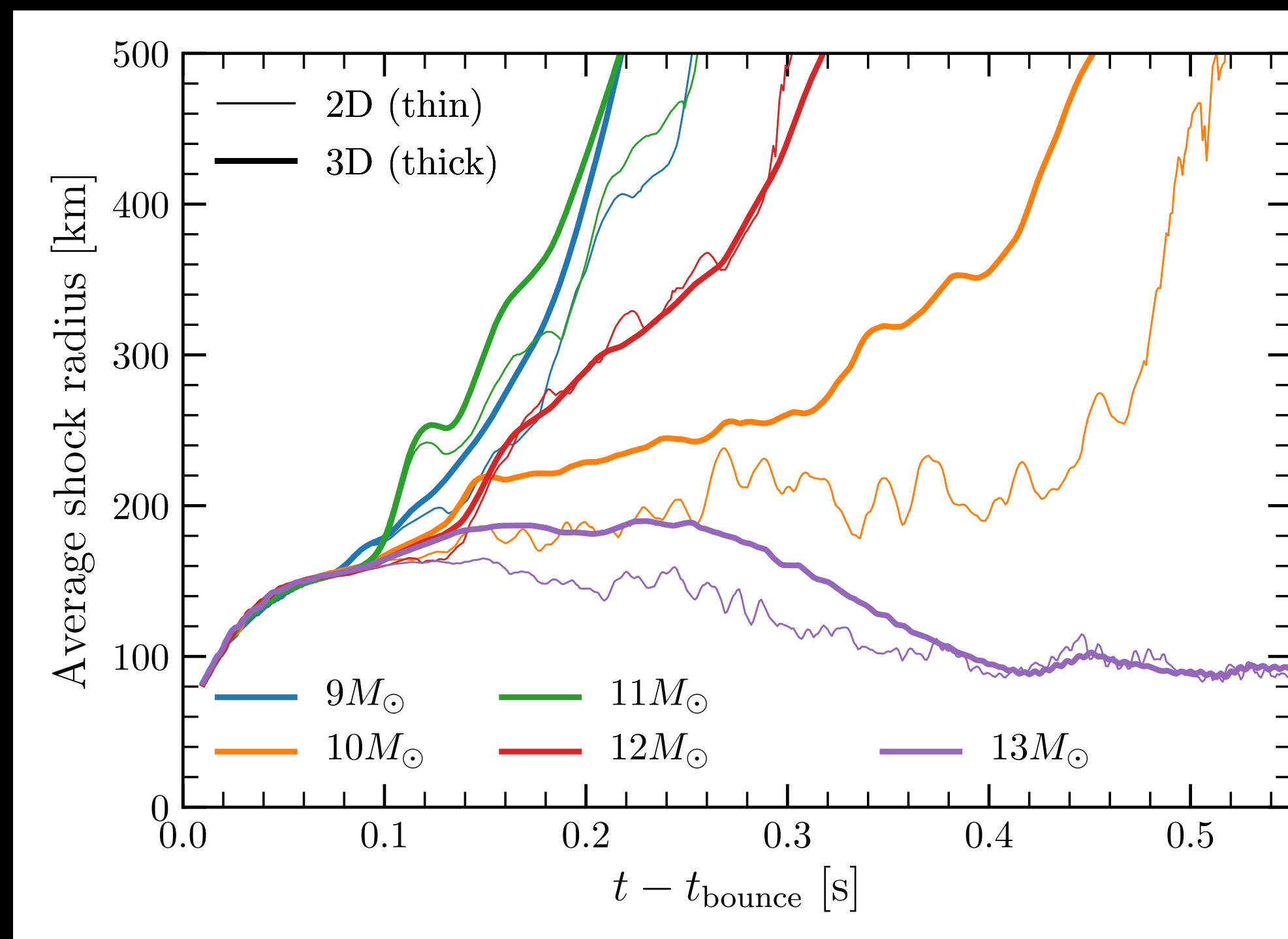
# “Low-mass” Stars Explode



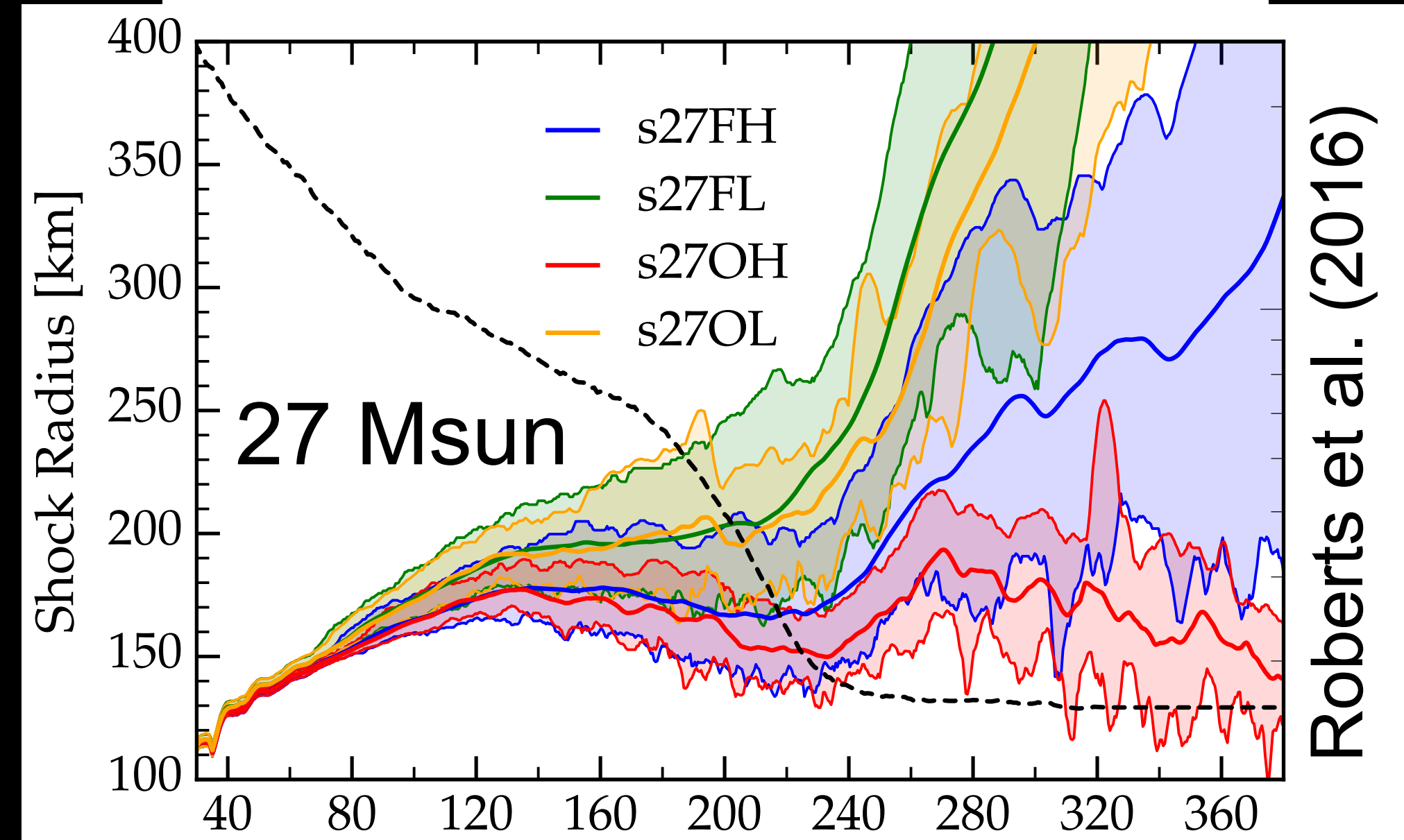
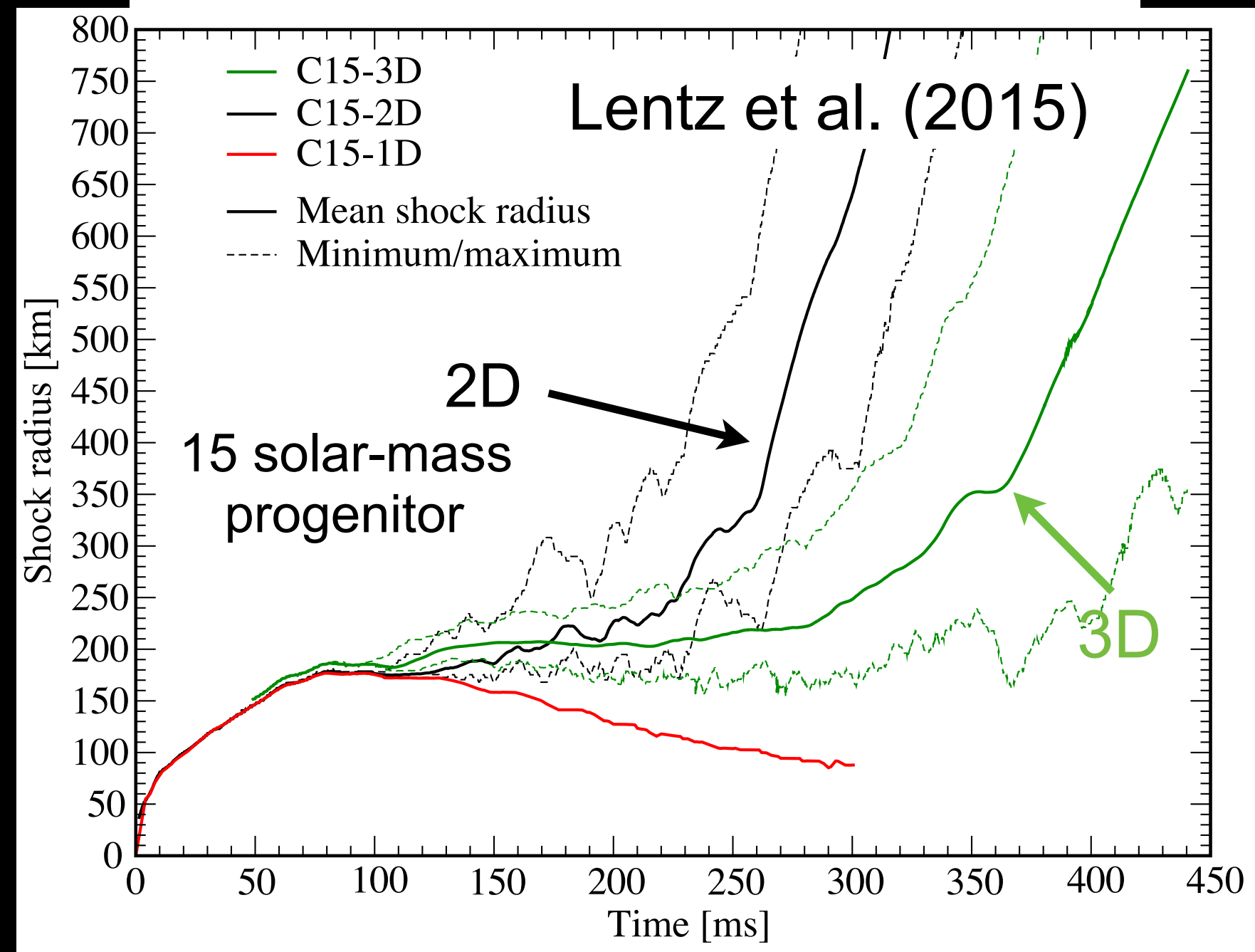
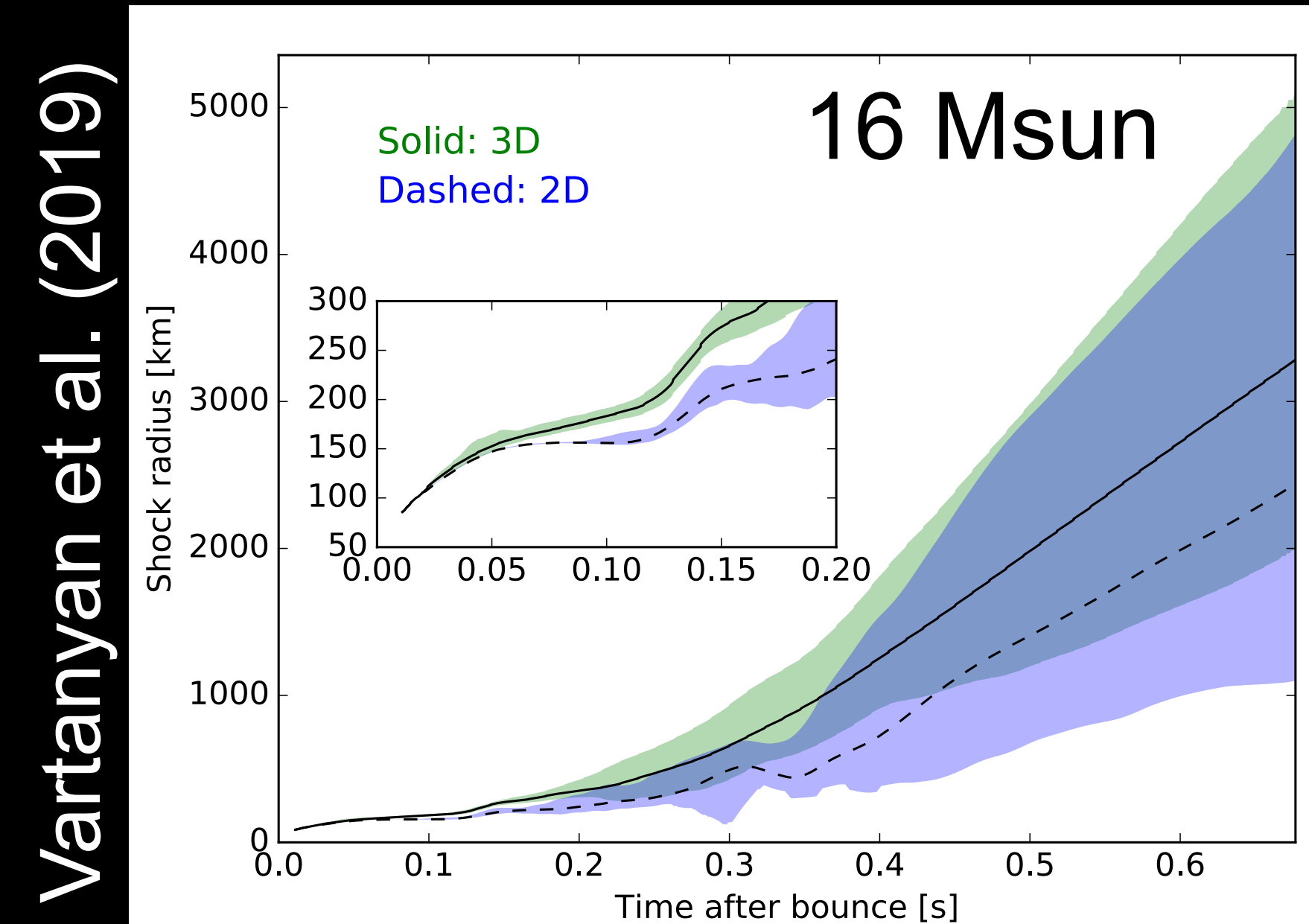
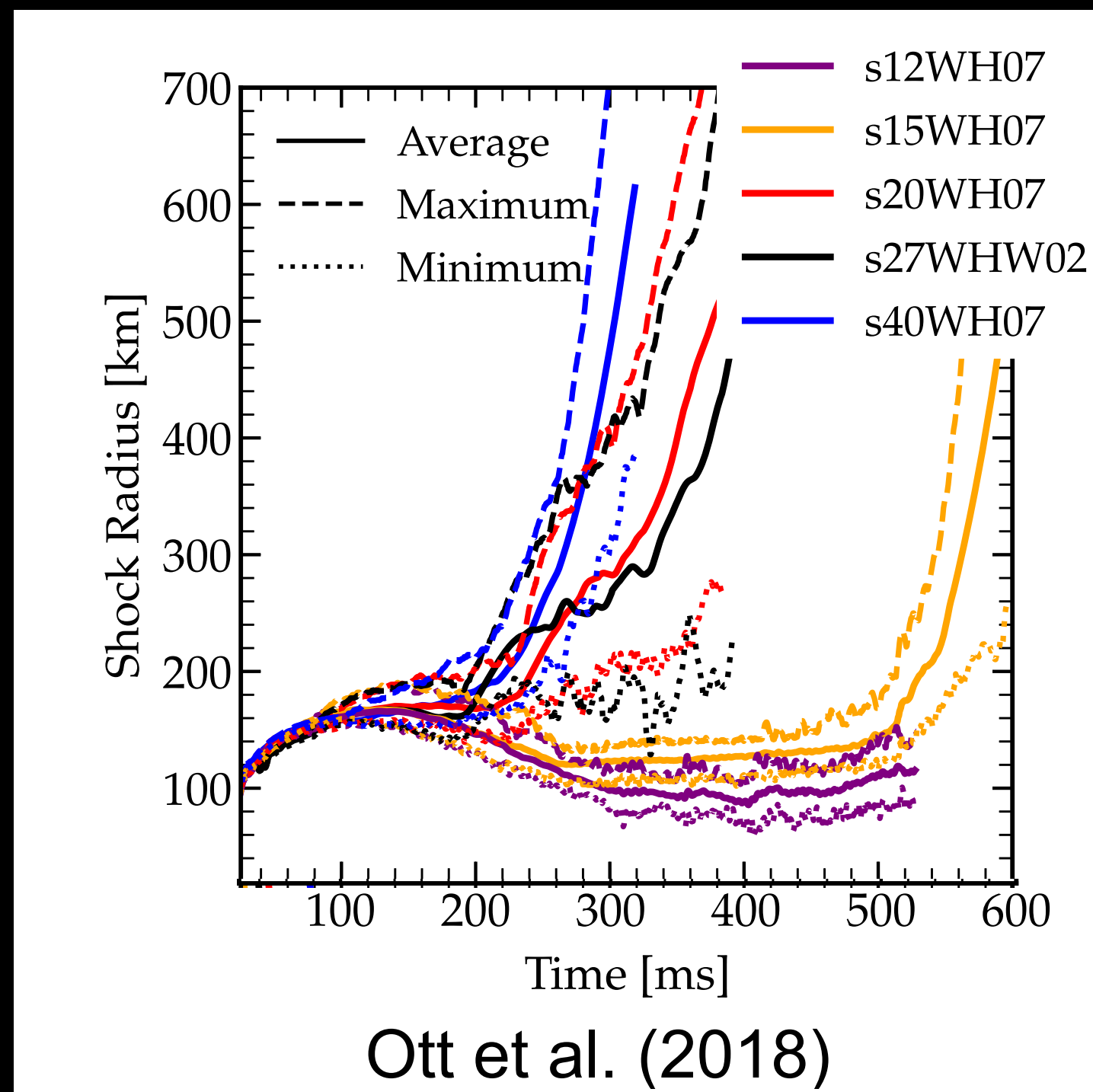
Burrows et al. (2019)



Mueller et al. (2019)



# High-mass Explosions



Does the neutrino  
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3D?

Yes!

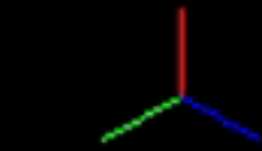
Stars aren't spherical...

# 3D CCSNe Progenitors

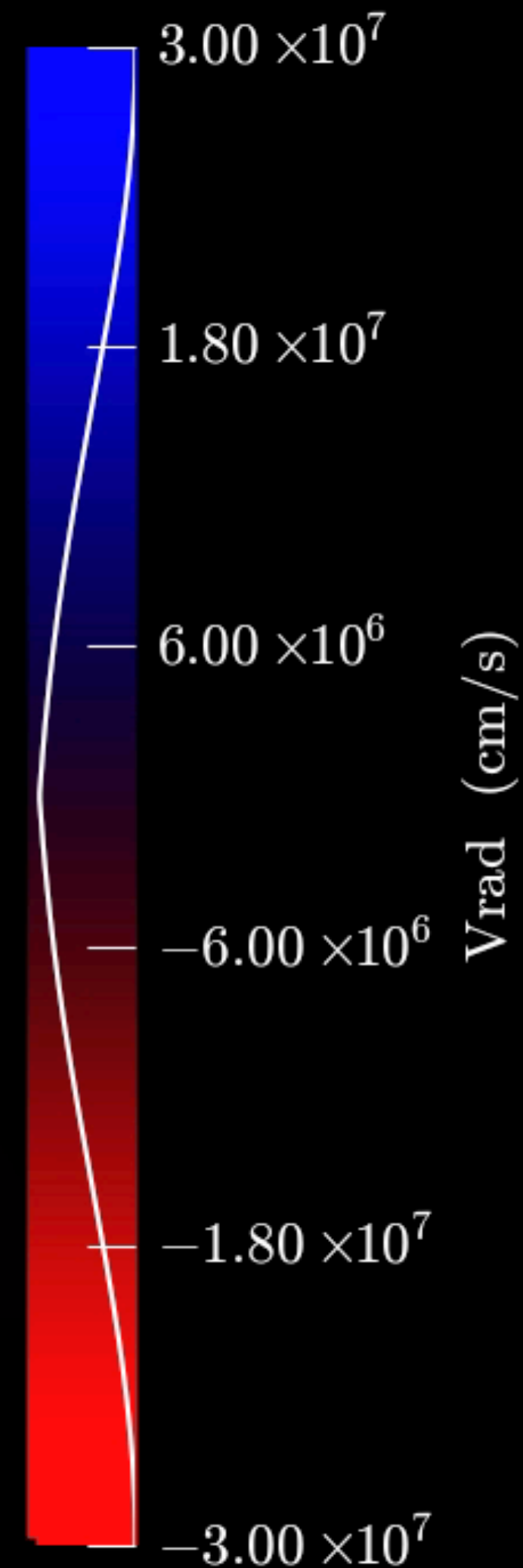
SMC, Chatzopoulos, Arnett, & Timmes (2015, ApJL, 808, L21)

- Nuclear shell burning drives strong convection
- Included in 1D stellar evolution (via MLT)
- Previously neglected in 2D/3D CCSN sims...

0 s



$3 \times 10^8$  cm



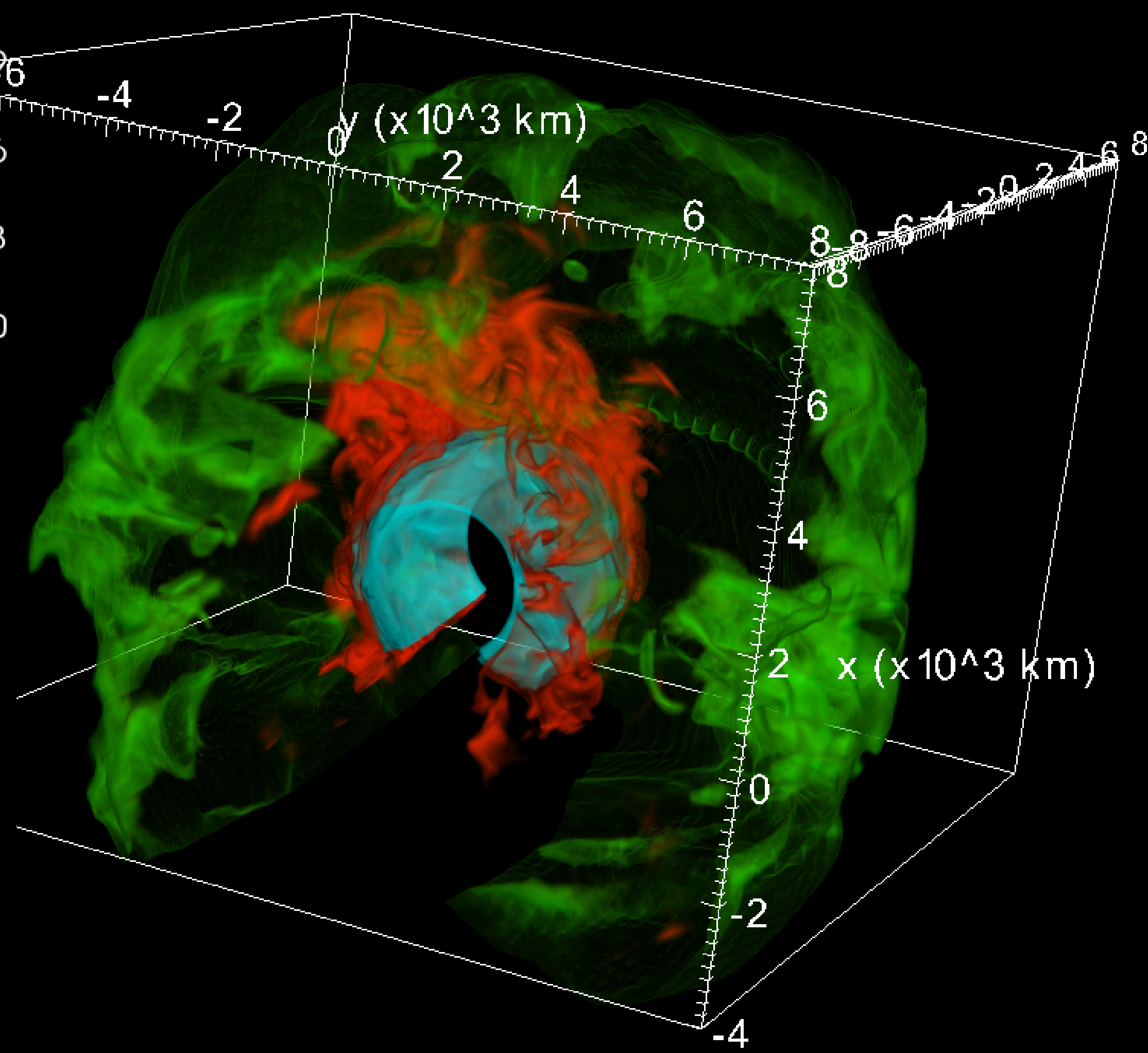
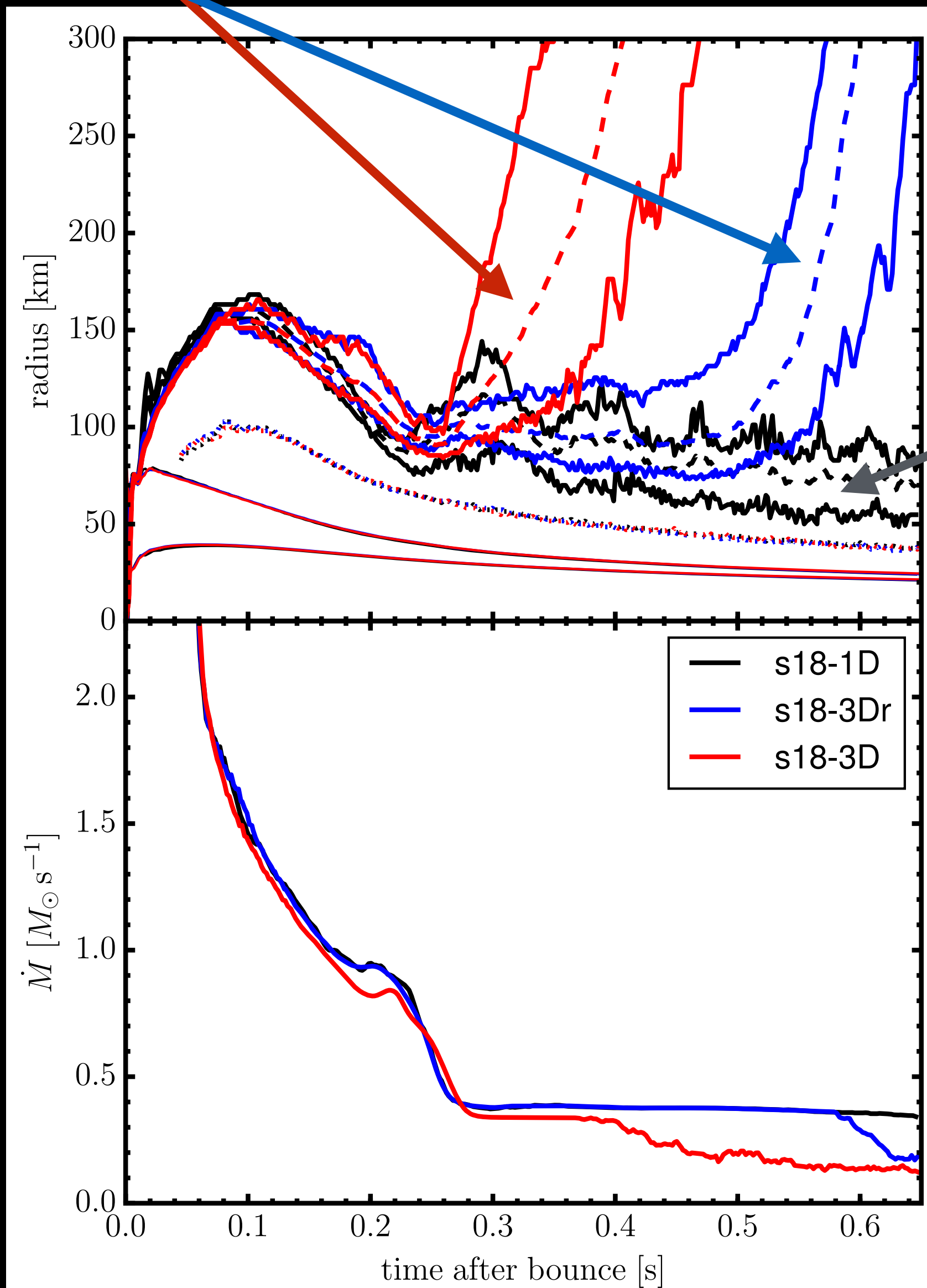
# 3D Progenitor Sims

B. Mueller, Viallet, Heger, & Janka (2016, arXiv:1605.01393)

3D  
progenitors

1D  
progenitors

Final minutes of  
oxygen shell  
burning to core  
collapse

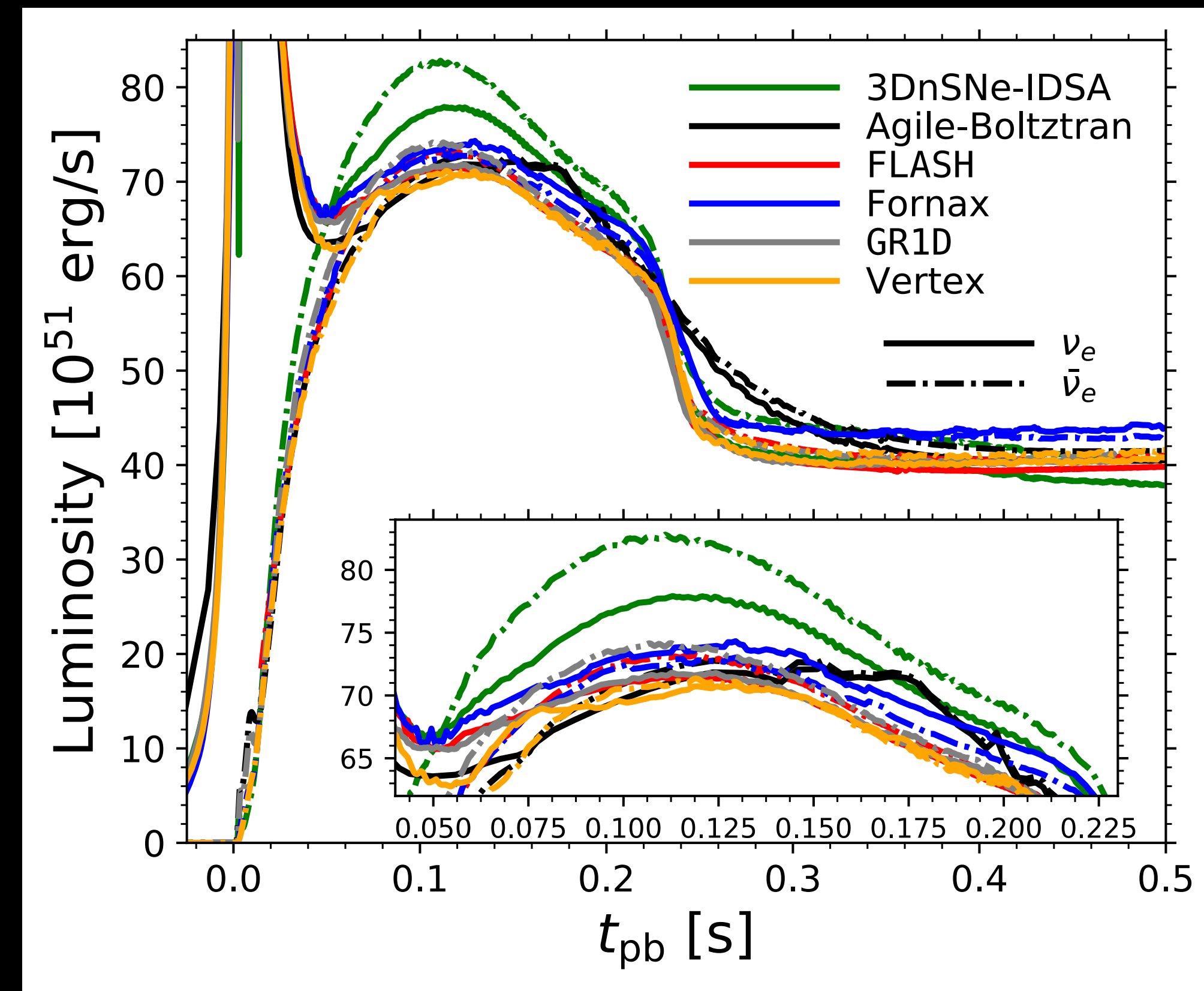
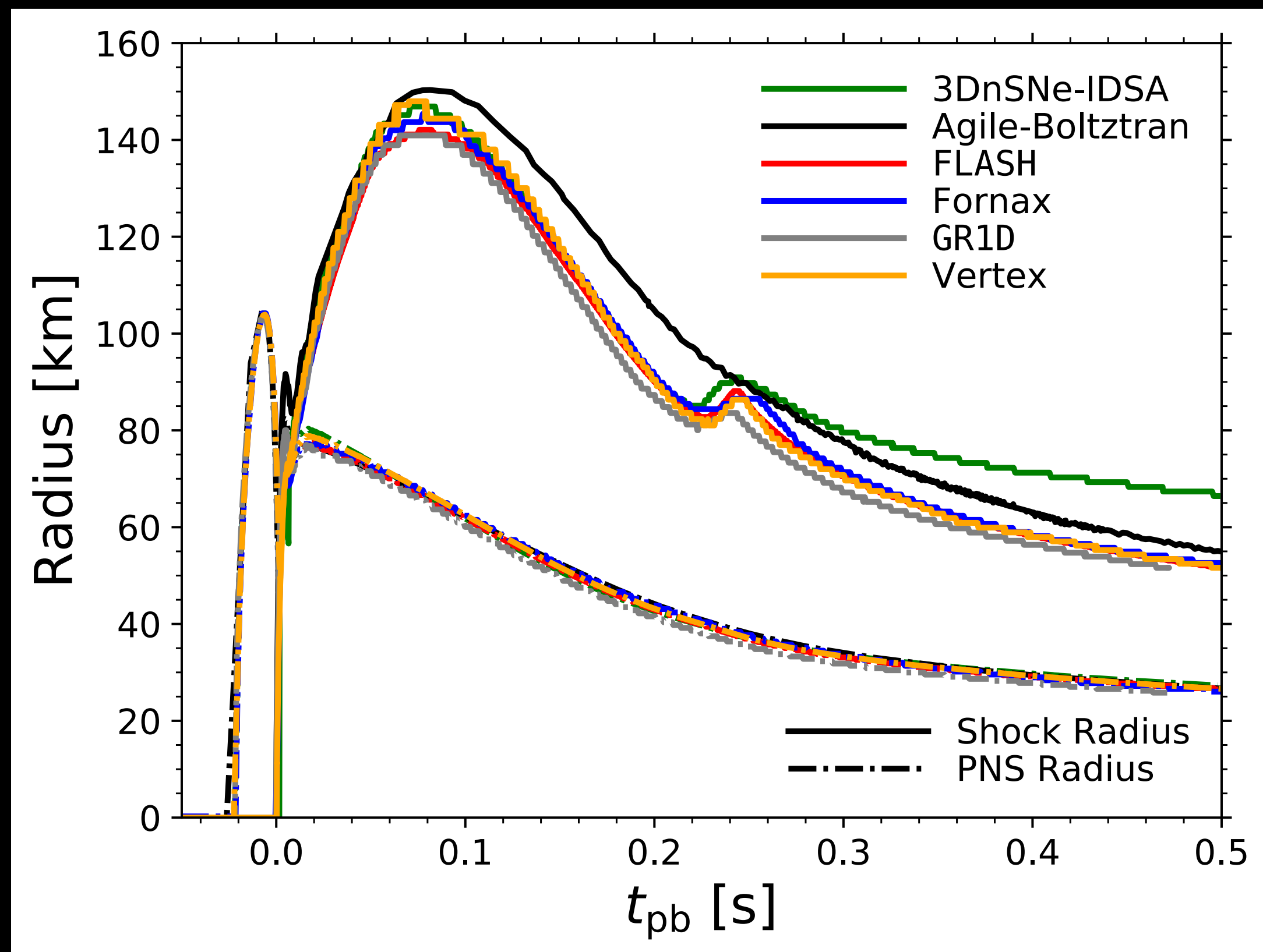


# Outstanding Issue: Agreement in Results



# Global 1D CCSN Comparison

E. O'Connor, Bollig, Burrows, SMC, Fischer, Janka, Kotake, Lentz, Liebendorfer, Messer, Mezzacappa, Takiwaki, Vartanyan (2018)



# Toward Exascale Astrophysics of Mergers and Supernovae

## TEAMS

- In-depth study of r-process sites
- “Clearing” house for data/results
- Code comparisons
- 3D CCSN progenitors (MSU/SBU)
- 3D MHD CCSNe (MSU postdoc C. Harris)

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# Outstanding Issue: Rotation and B-fields

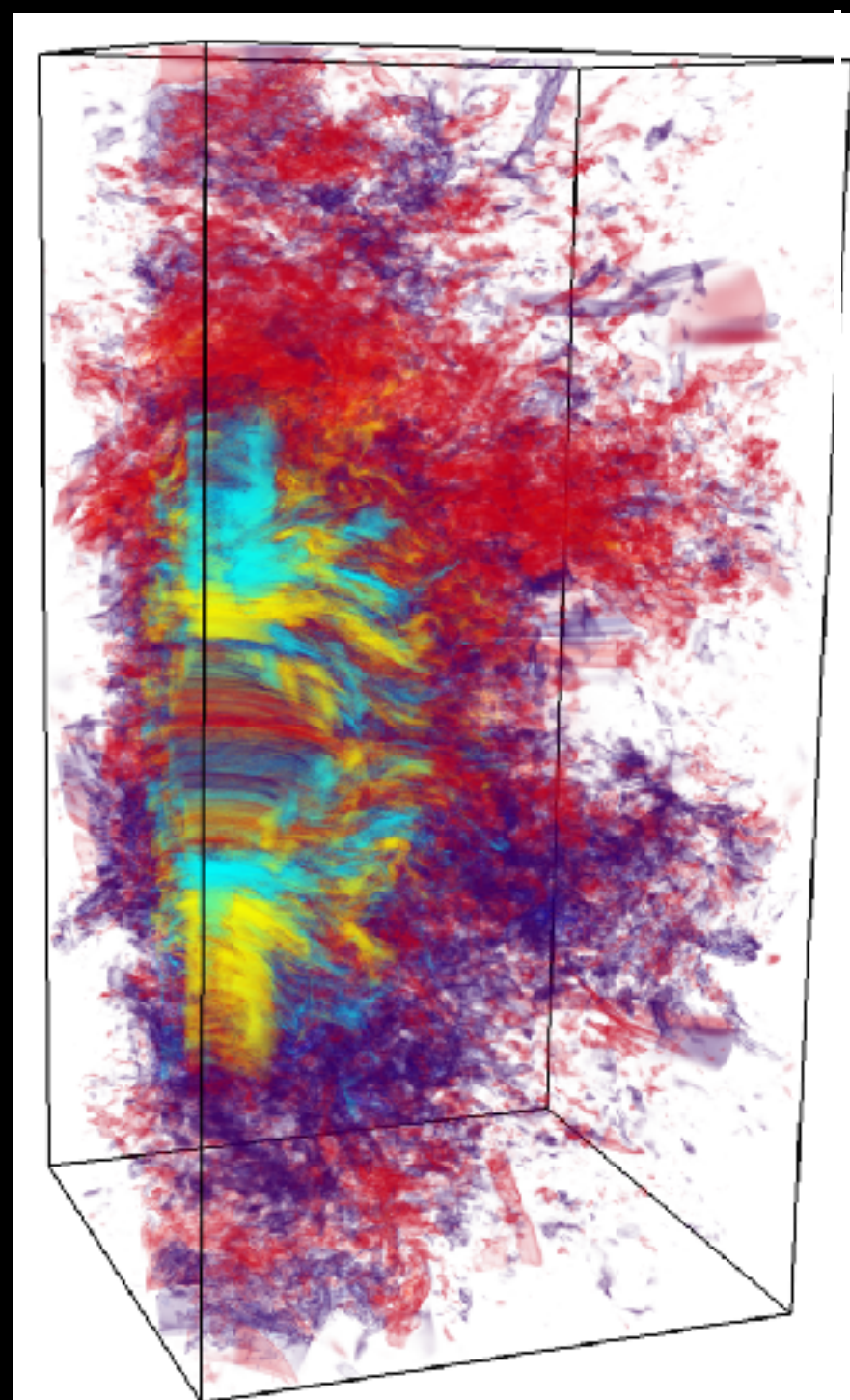
# Magnetorotational Effects

“The last refuge of the astrophysical scoundrel.”

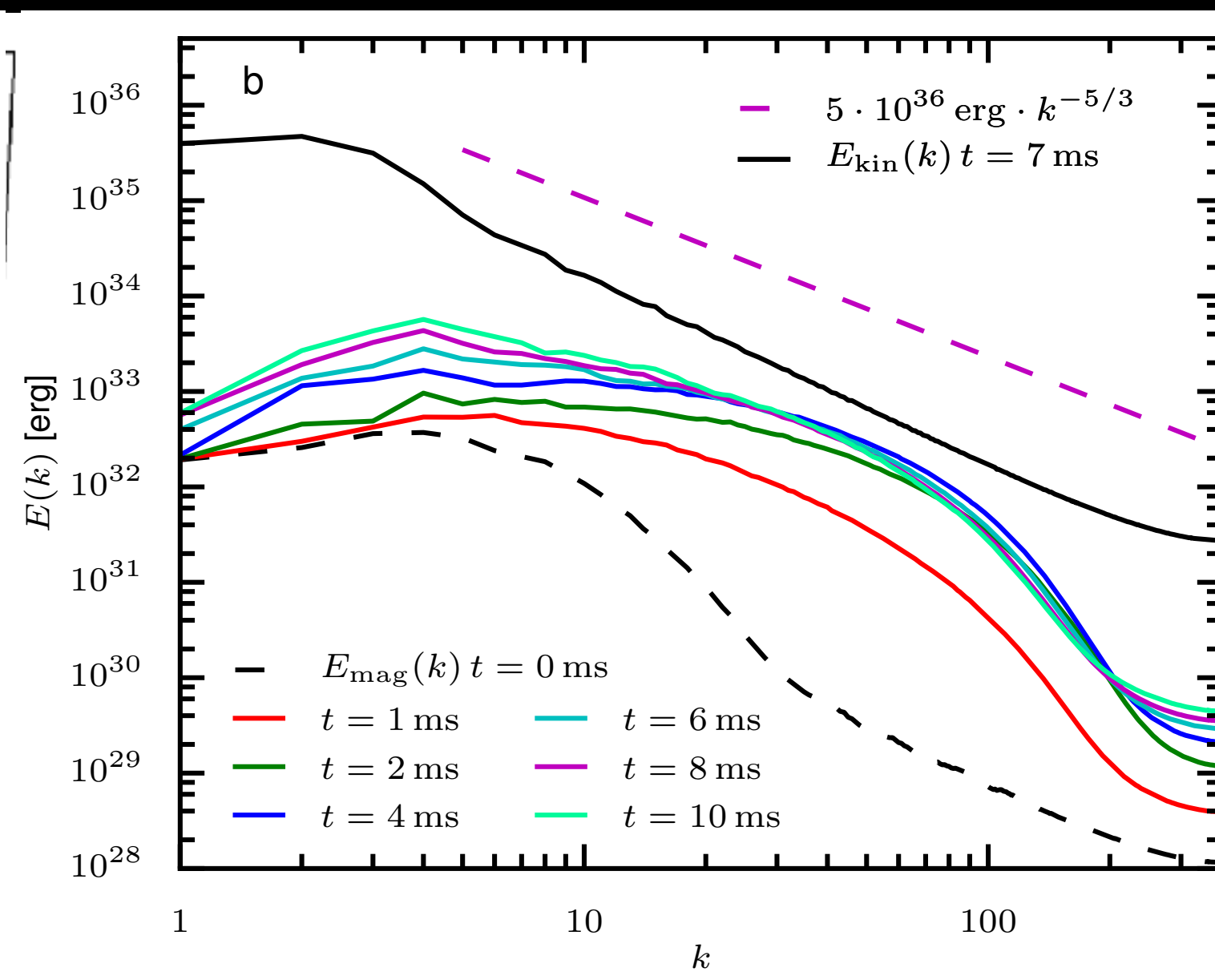


IGRBs  
 $\sim 10^{-4}$  CCSN rate

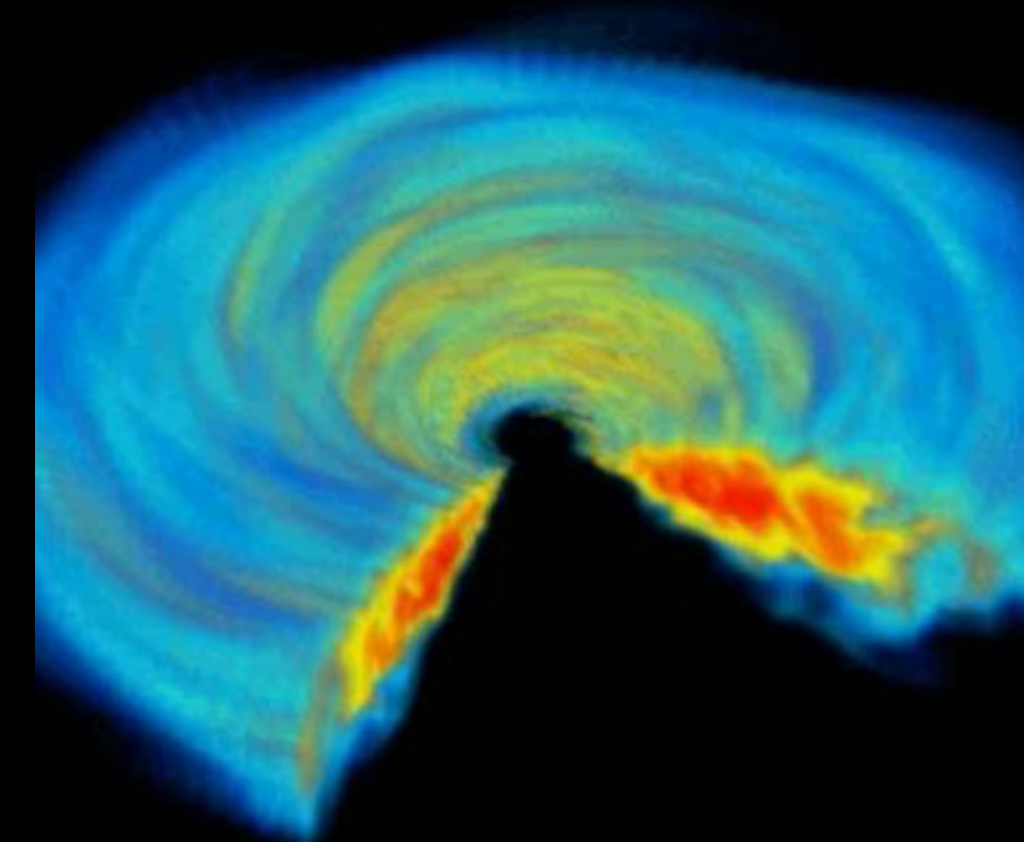
Moesta et al. 2015



$\alpha$ - $\omega$  Dynamo



*inverse turbulent cascade*



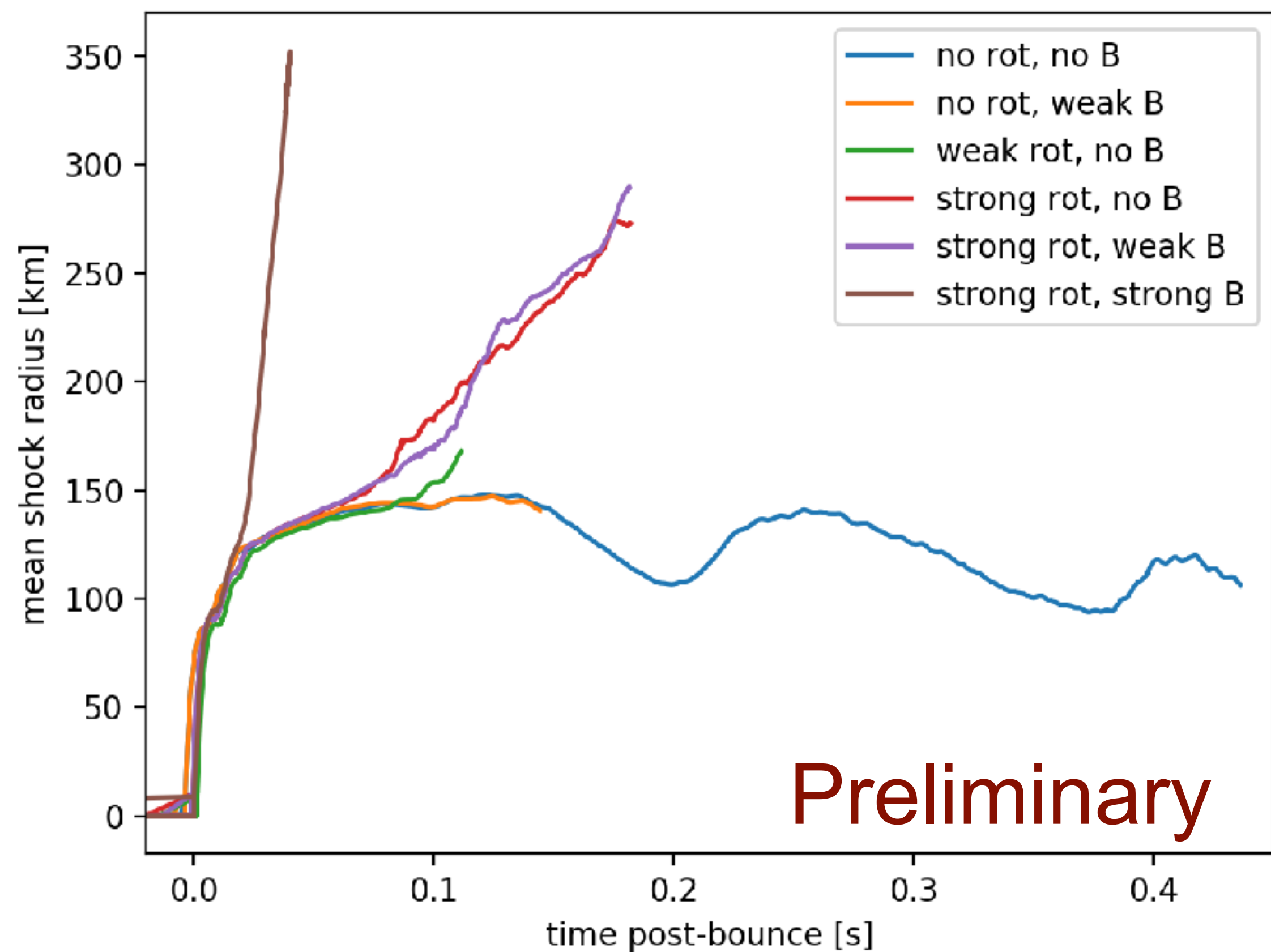
MRI

$$\tau \sim \omega^{-1}$$

$$\lambda \sim \omega^{-1} \sim 10 \text{ m}$$

# Magnetorotational Explosions

SMC et al., in prep.

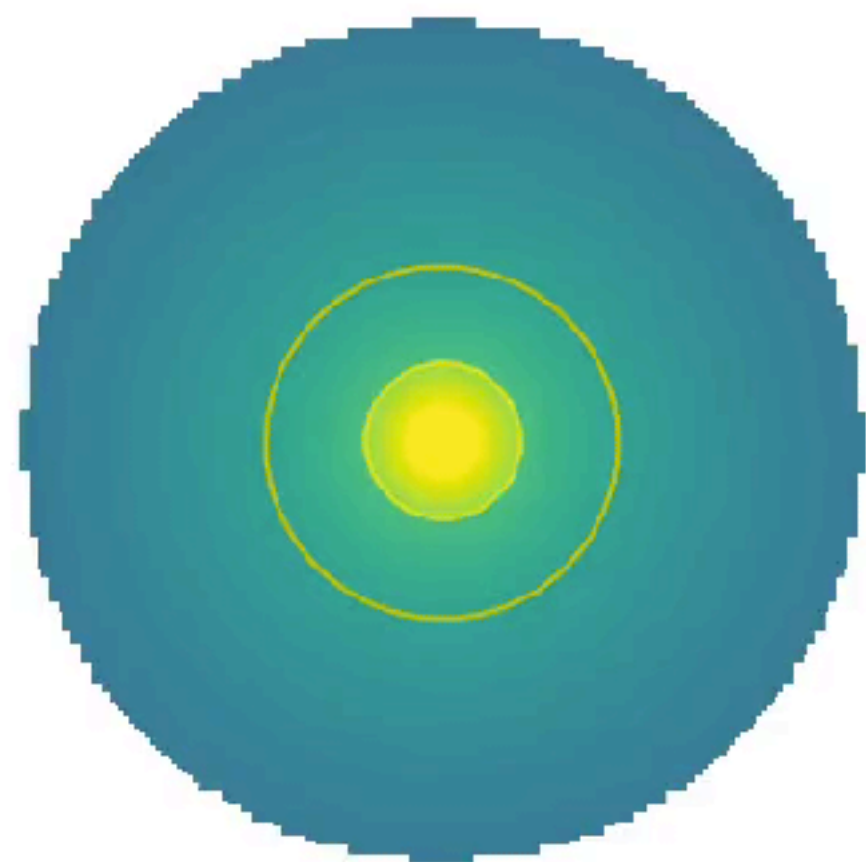


See also Summa et al. 2018

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$\nabla P$  [dyne/cm<sup>3</sup>]

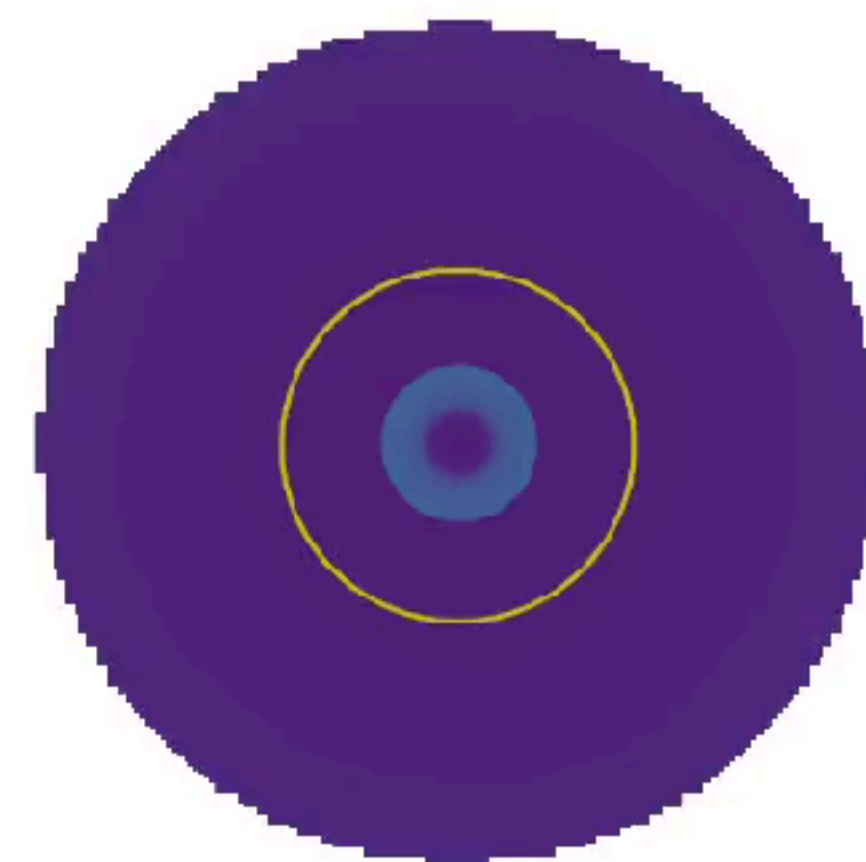


$t_{pb} = 0.6$  [ms]

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200 km

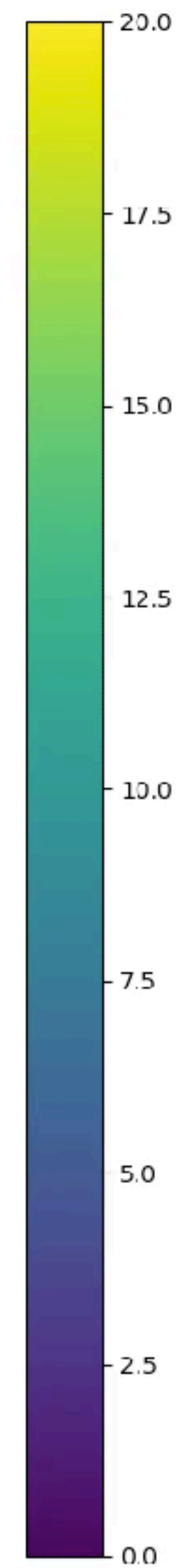
$k_B$ /baryon



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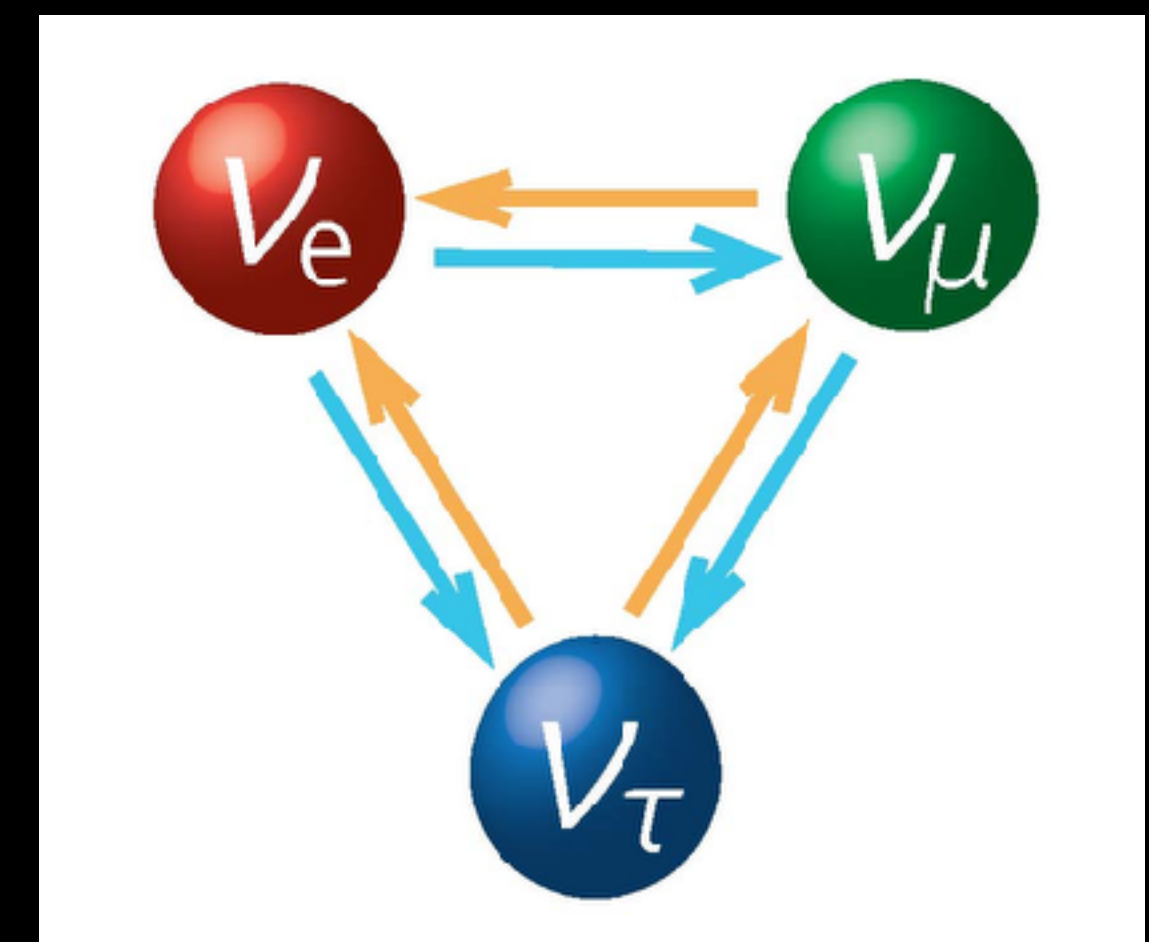
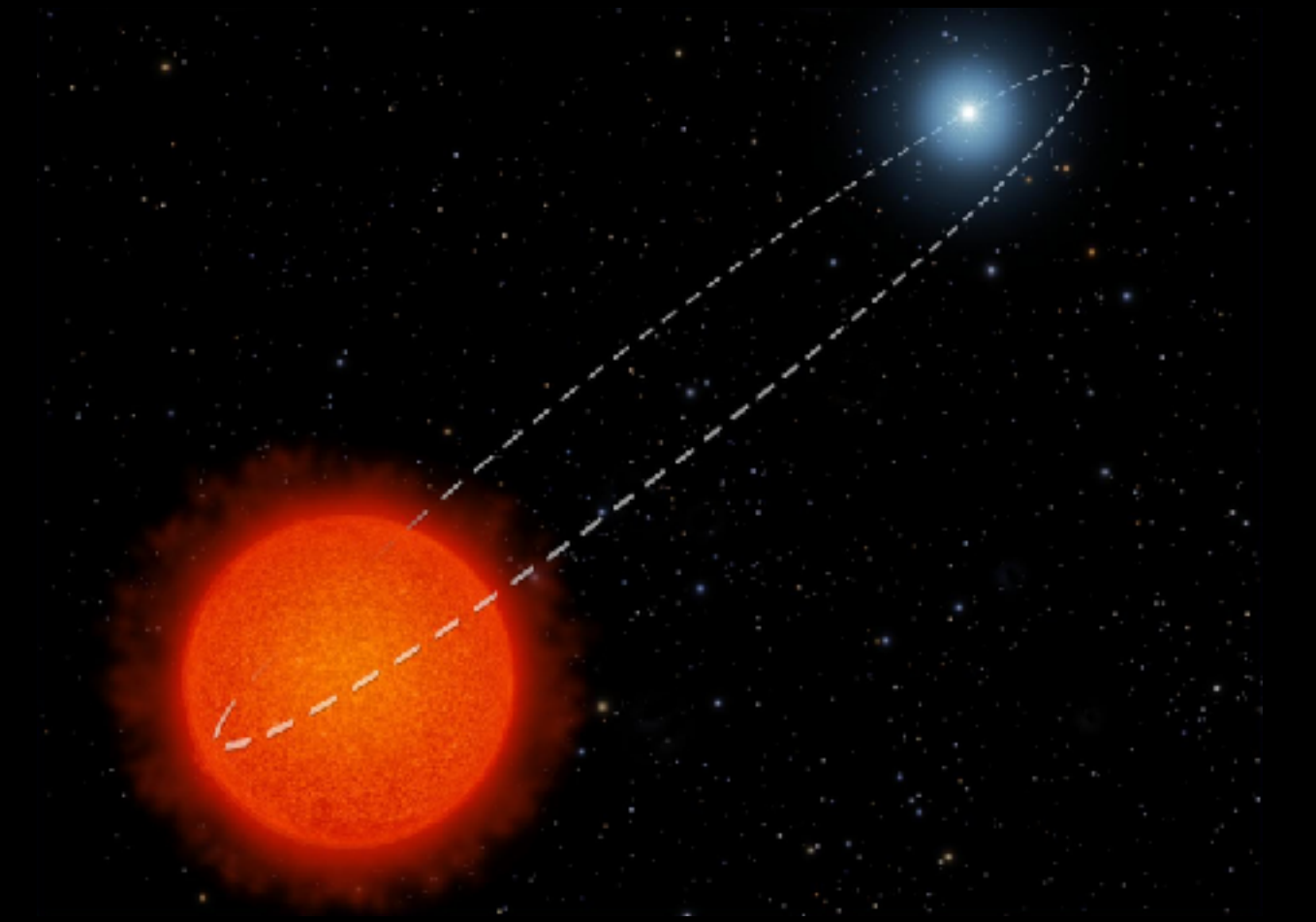
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200 km



# Other outstanding issues

- Binararity
- Resolution in 3D
- Neutrino oscillations
- Complex neutrino interactions
- Uncertain nuclear equation of state
- Later time simulations
- unknown unknowns



# Turbulent Frontiers

- The neutrino mechanism *works* - time to compare observation
- Turbulence aids neutrinos in explosions
- (3D) Progenitor structure crucial
- Emerging agreement in results (code comparisons!)
- Magnetorotational effects may matter!
- Time to make rigorous comparison to observations

