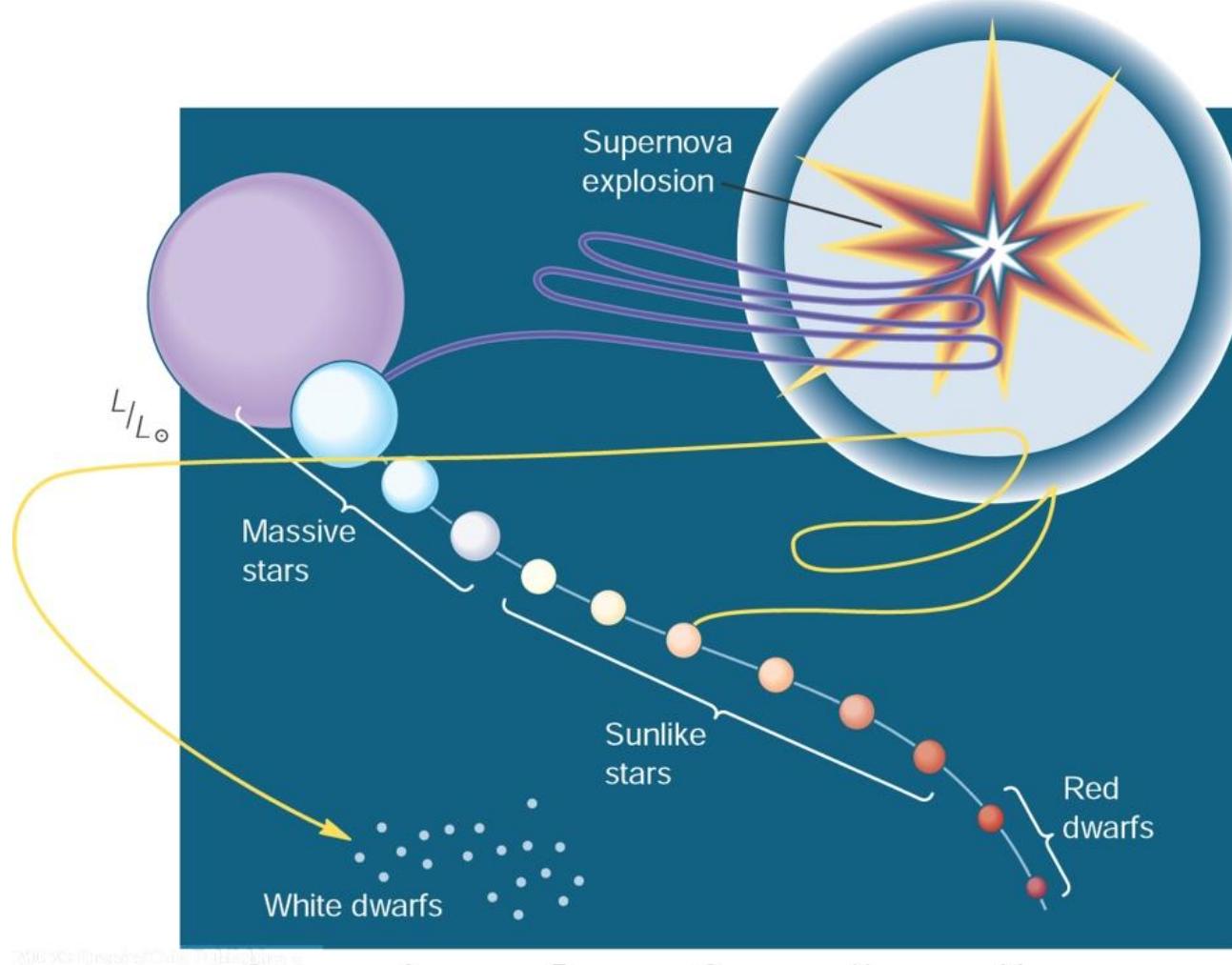
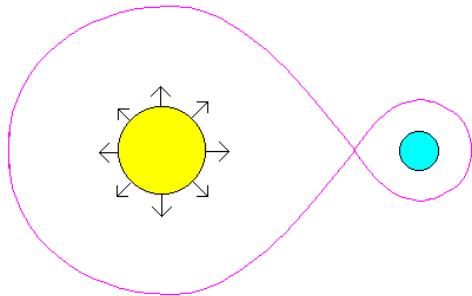


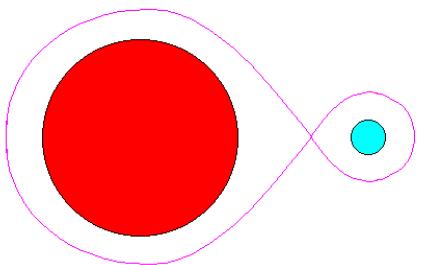
# Review – Stellar Evolution

- Main Sequence - star burns hydrogen to helium in core
- Red Giant – hydrogen burns in shell leaving helium
- Horizontal Branch – helium burns in core leaving carbon

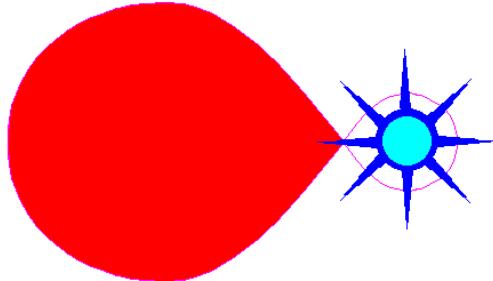
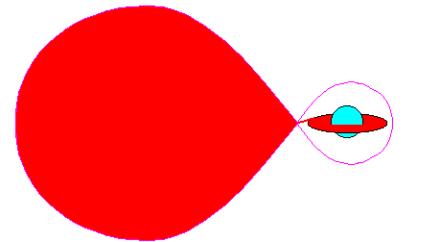




# Binary Star Evolution

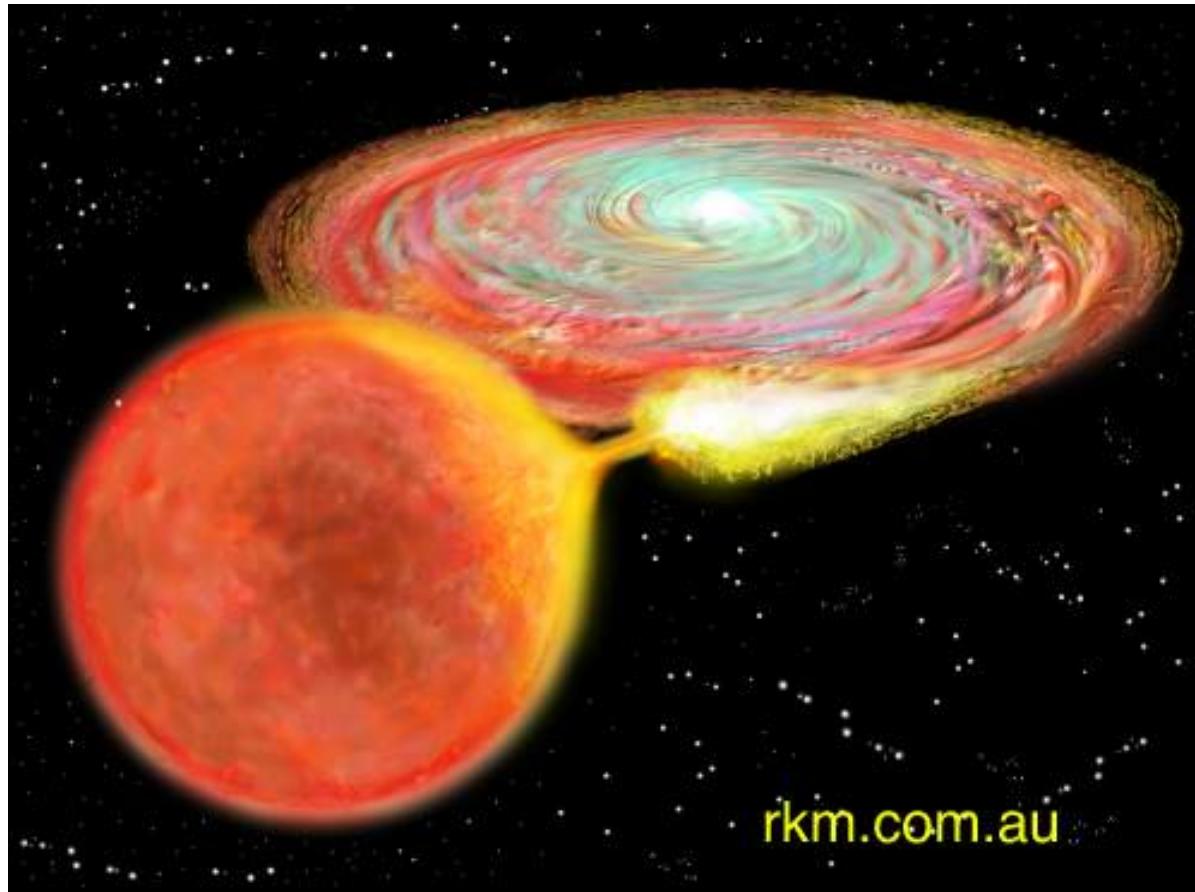


- Higher mass star evolves first
- Forming white dwarf
- Companion star becomes a red giant
- Overflows its Roche Lobe
- Dumping Hydrogen onto white dwarf



# Accretion Disk

- Hydrogen gas flows from Roche Lobe through Lagrange point L1
- The gas forms an accretion disk then falls on star



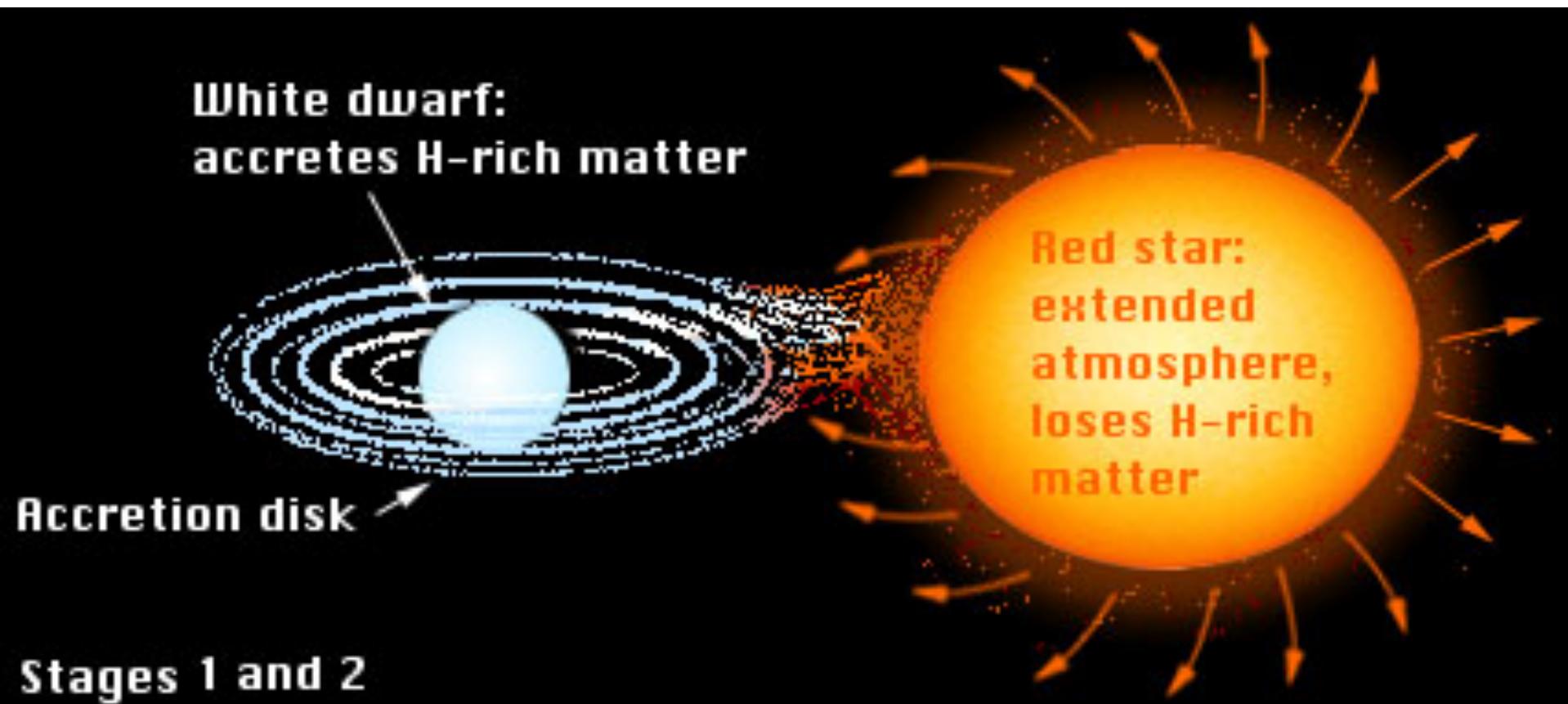


# Hot Spot

- Hot spot forms where stream hits accretion disk
- Friction in accretion disk heats gas up to  $\sim$ million K
- Emitting UV & X-rays

# Nova

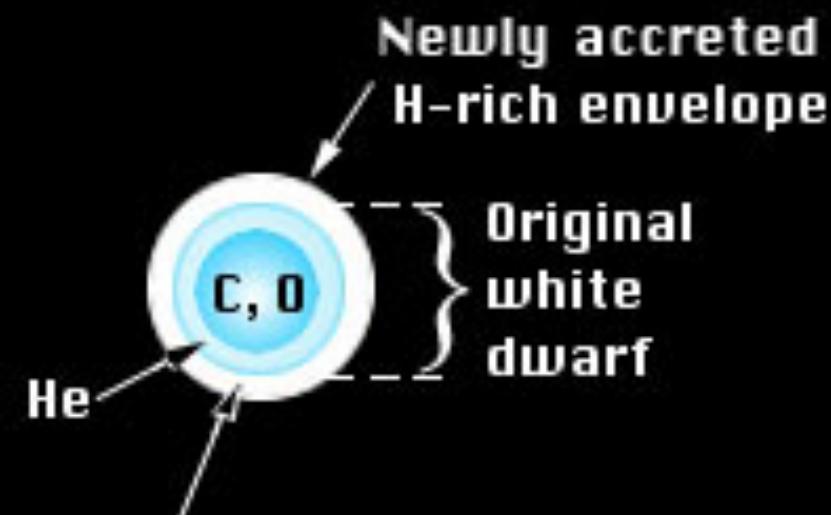
- What happens to the Hydrogen which falls on an electron degenerate white dwarf??



# Nova 2

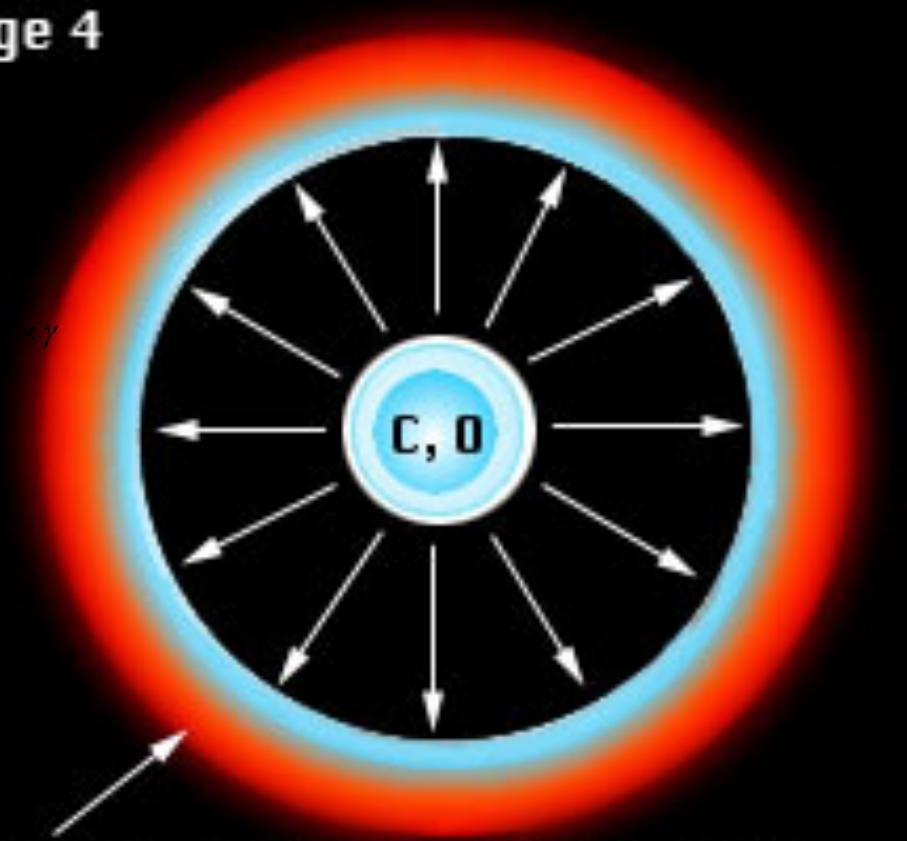
- Do not throw gasoline on hot coals!

Stage 3



Hydrogen burns  
explosively,  
producing a nova

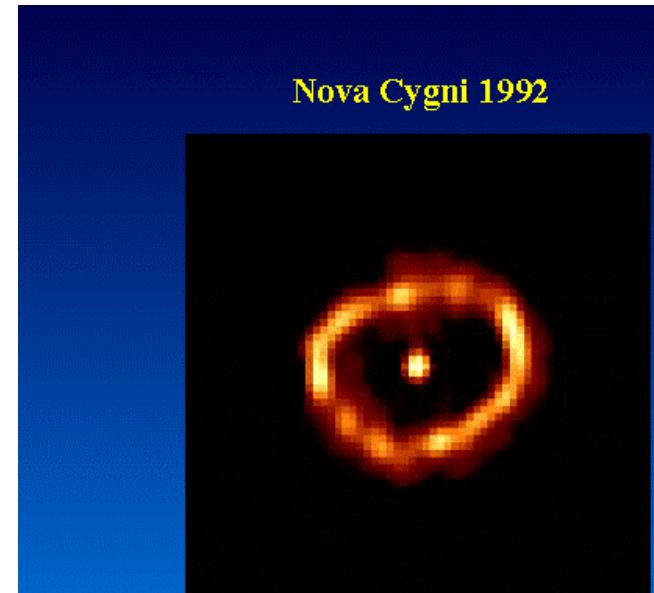
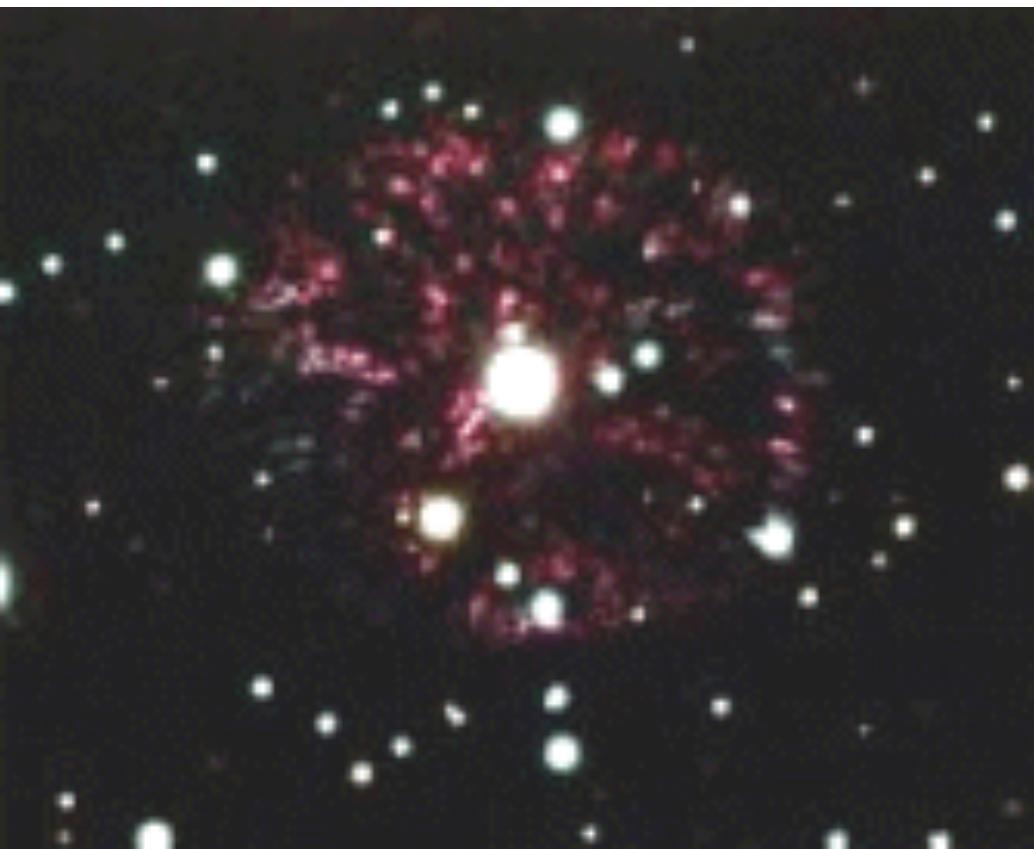
Stage 4



White dwarf's H-rich envelope ejected by the  
nova outburst at speeds of about 500 miles/sec  
or higher

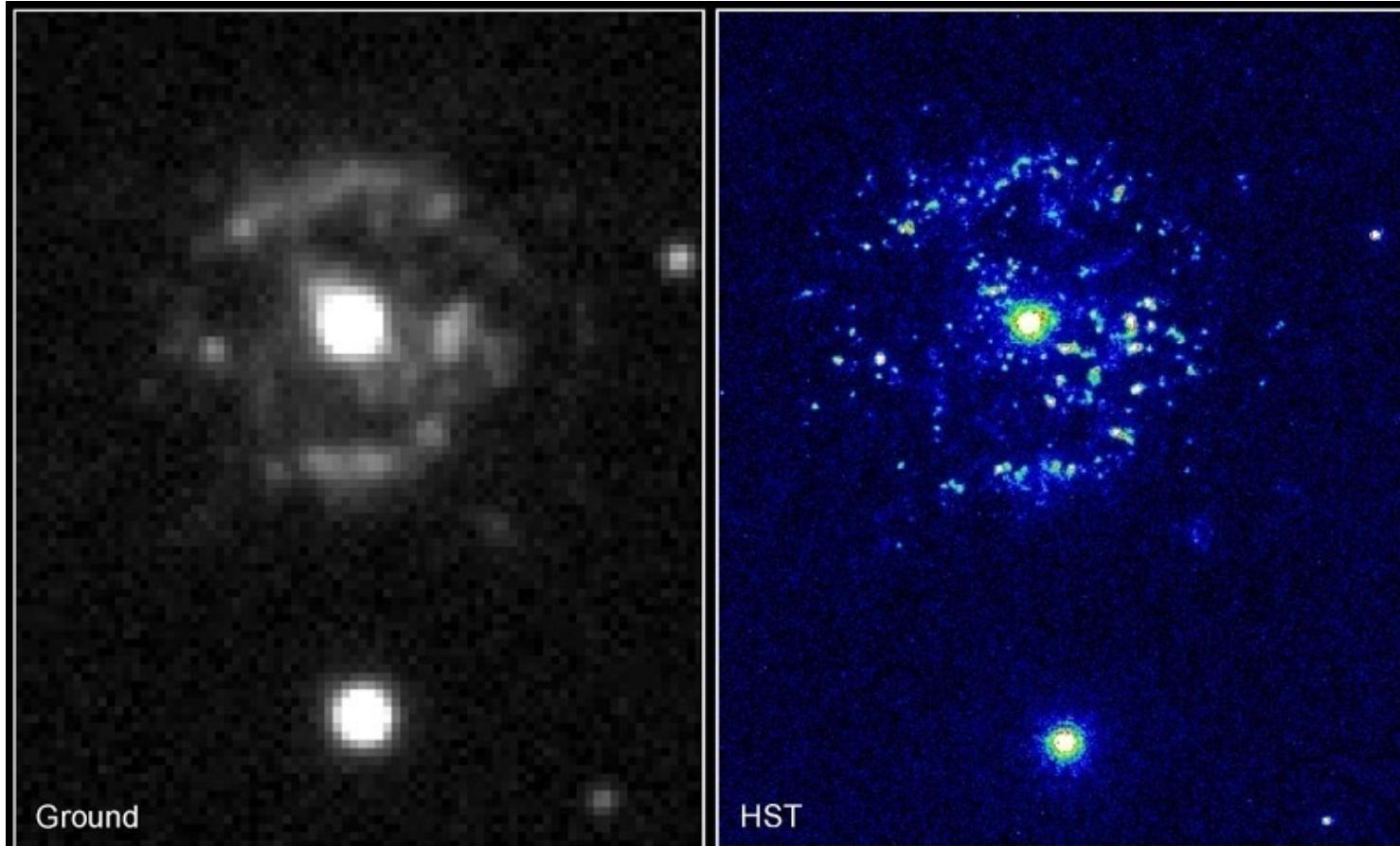
# GK Persi

- After ~100 earth masses, burns hydrogen to helium
- 10,000 times brighter
- Nebula ejected at ~600km/sec
- 0.001 solar mass ejected so white dwarf is not destroyed
- We observe a few novae per year in our galaxy



# Recurrent Nova T Pyx

- Nova can happen again every few to thousands of years



**Recurring Nova T Pyxidis**

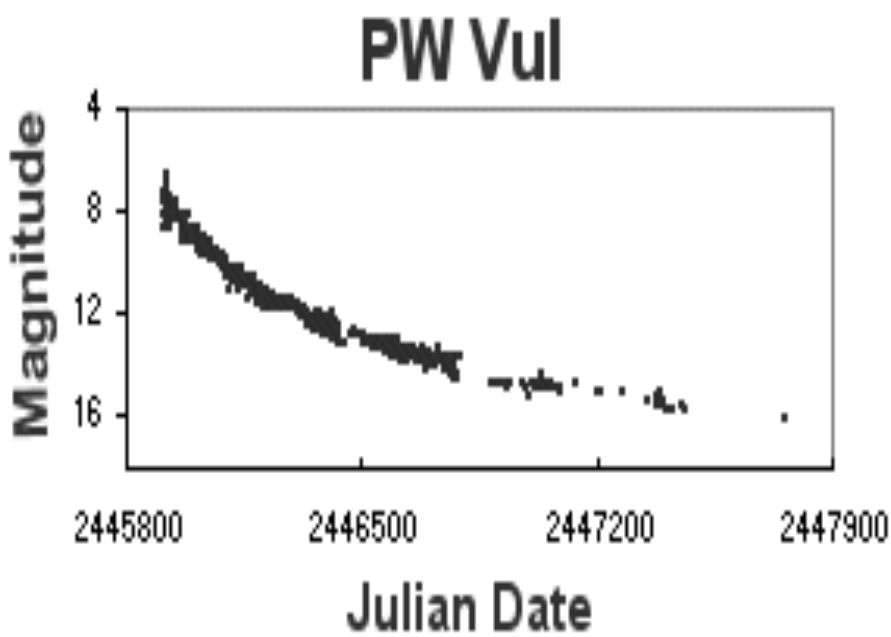
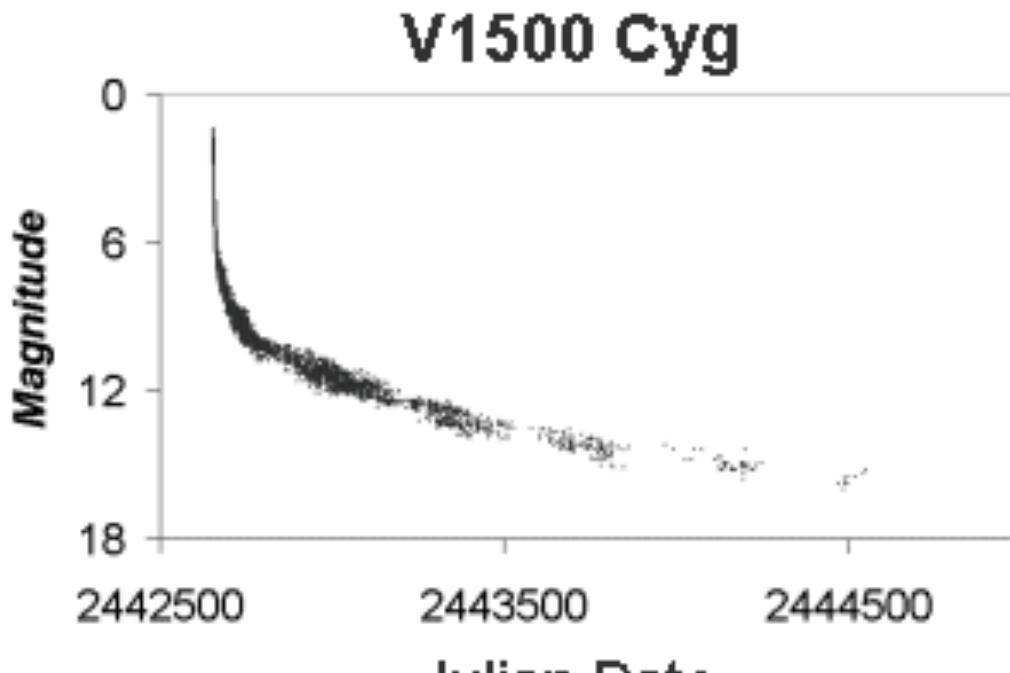
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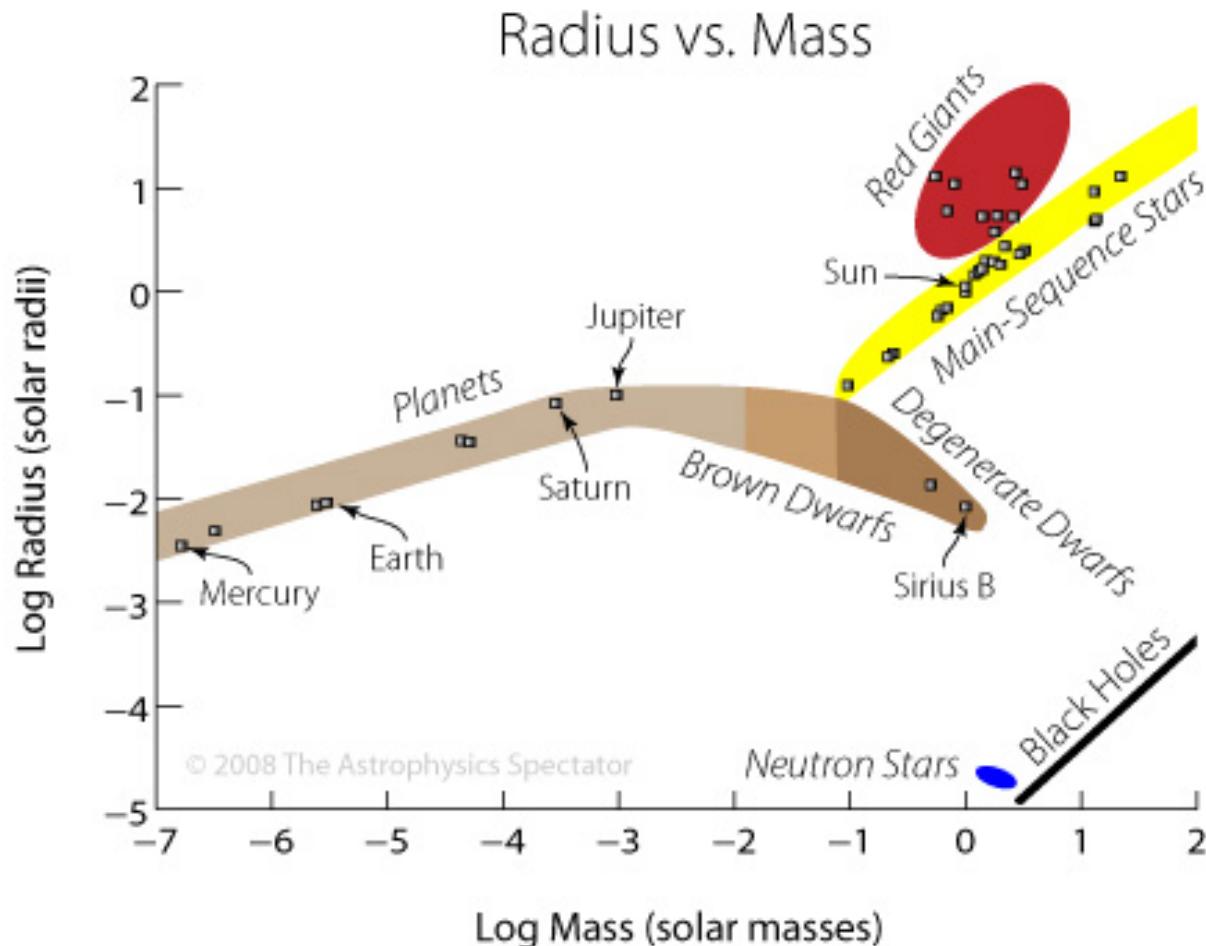
# Novae Light Curves

- Distance Indicators
- Depending on rate of decline- absolute magnitudes  $\sim -4$

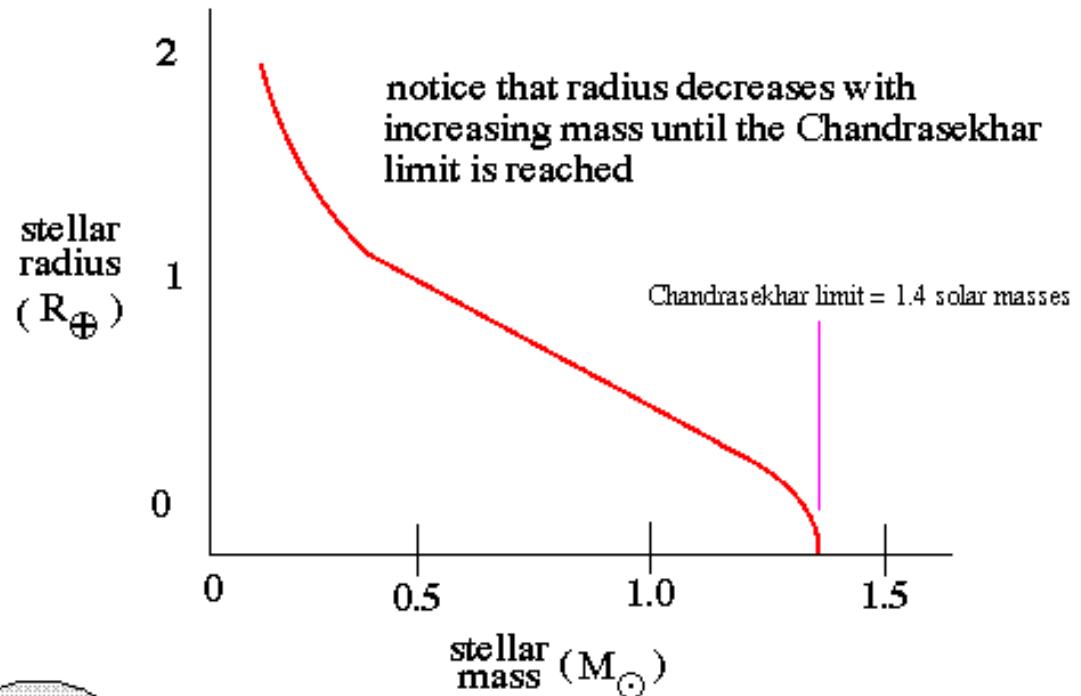


# Compact Objects / Stars

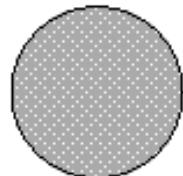
- Small radius & Large mass =High density
- White Dwarfs: more mass – smaller radius



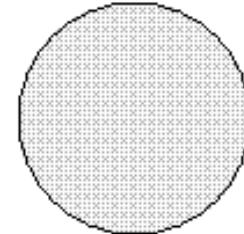
# Mass-Radius Relation for White Dwarf Stars



Regular star:  
More mass =>  
larger size.

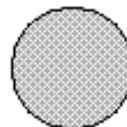


$M = 0.5$  solar mass



$M = 1.0$  solar mass

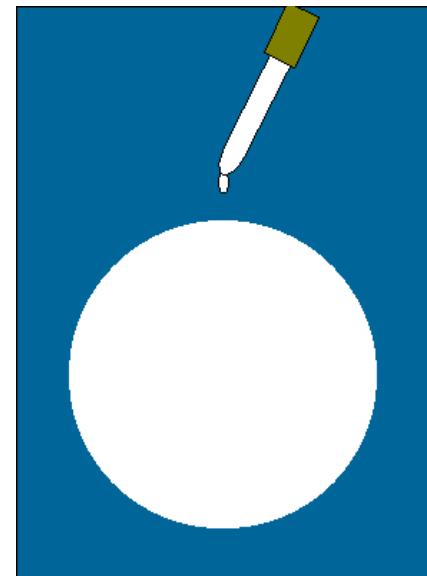
Degenerate star:  
More mass =>  
smaller size.



$M = 0.5$  solar mass



$M = 1.0$  solar mass



# Chandrasekhar Mass/Limit



- An electron degenerate star can not be more massive than 1.4 solar masses
- Mass loss can be so large that even 7 or 8 solar mass stars may become this small
- But what about bigger stars?

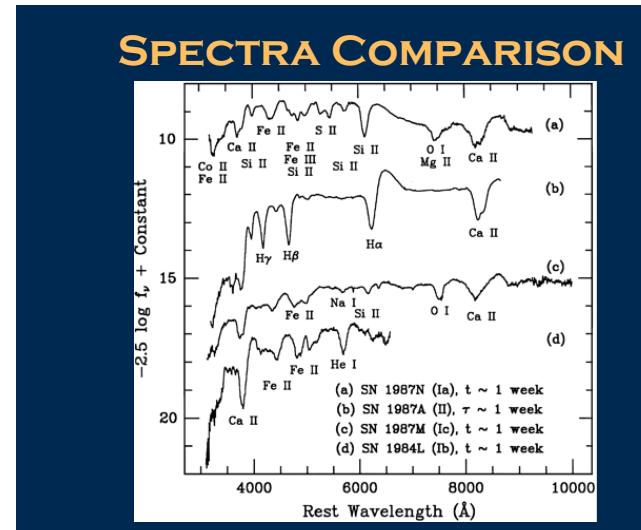
# Novae / Supernovae

- Nova = thousands of Suns
- Supernova = Billion of Suns
- Bright as galaxy: TypeIa@6500ly=Venus  
@500ly=Moon, @1 light year =Sun



# Supernovae Types

- Type Ia – Carbon-detonation = White dwarf explodes destroying star
- Type II – core-collapse of massive star leaving neutron star/black hole
- Equal brightness & equal number observed



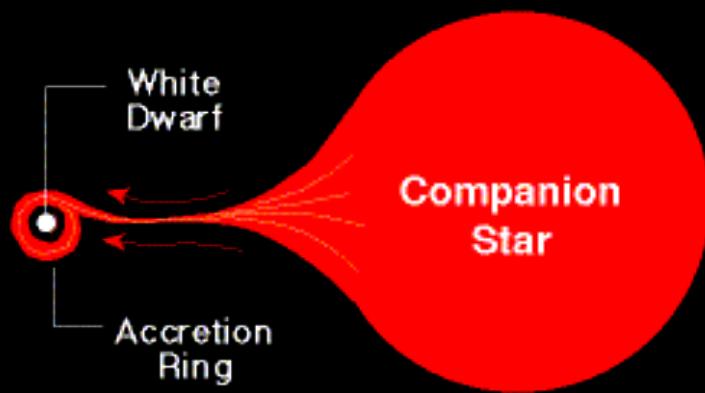
## TYPES OF SUPERNOVAE

- *Type I – No Hydrogen*
- *Type II – Have Hydrogen*
- *Type III – SN 1961I*

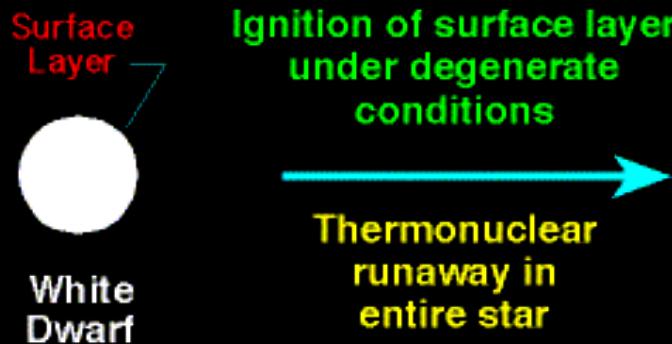
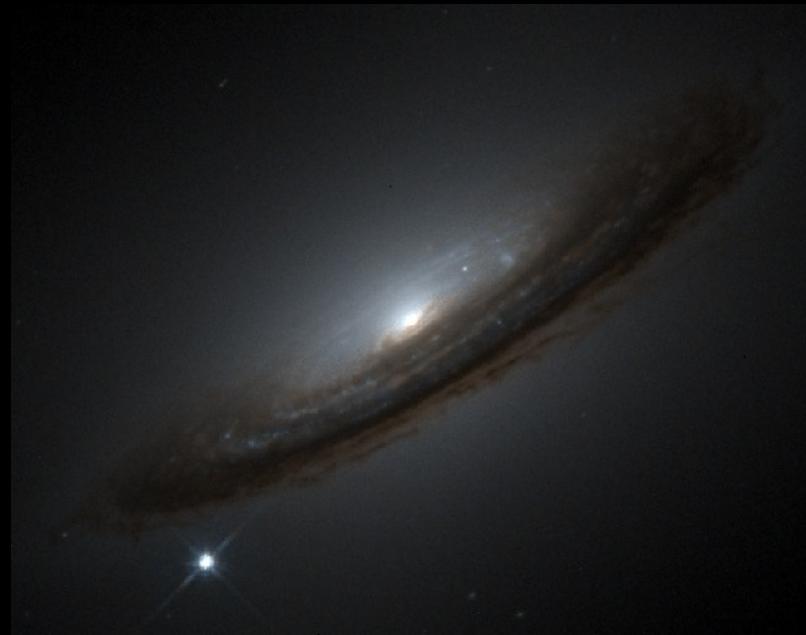


# Carbon-Detonation Supernova

- Mass transfer forces white dwarf to exceed (Chandrasekhar?) limit & collapse triggers carbon deflagration=Type Ia



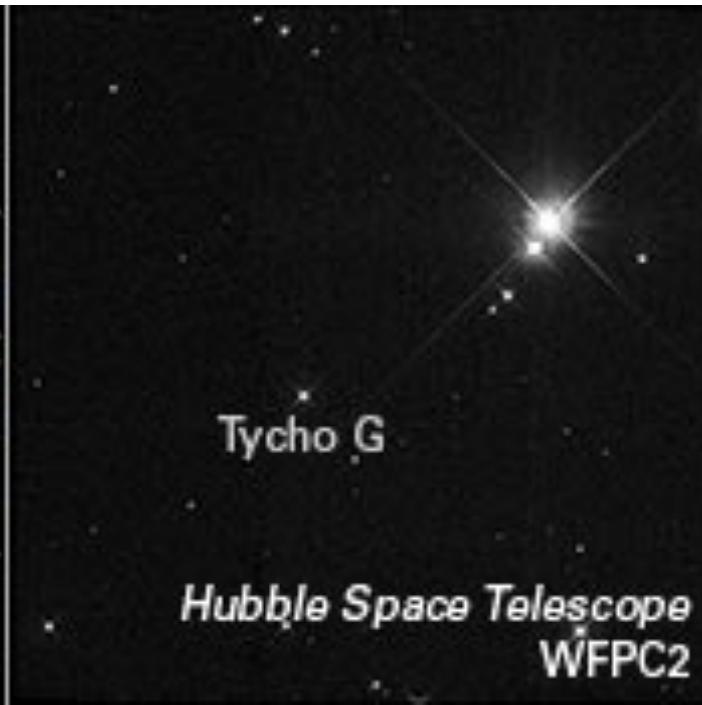
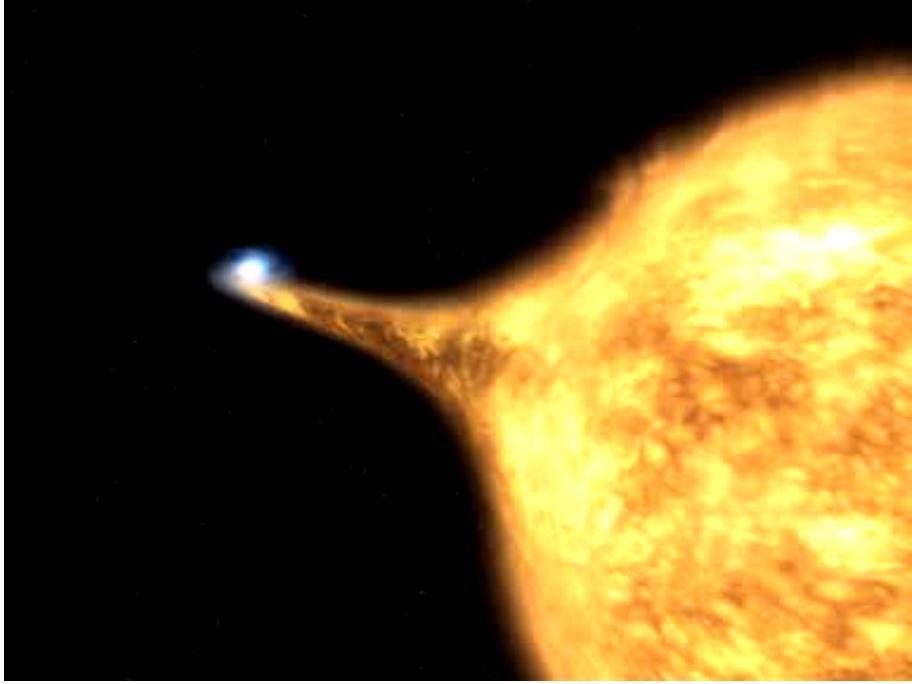
**Thin hydrogen surface layer  
accumulated on white dwarf  
through accretion ring**



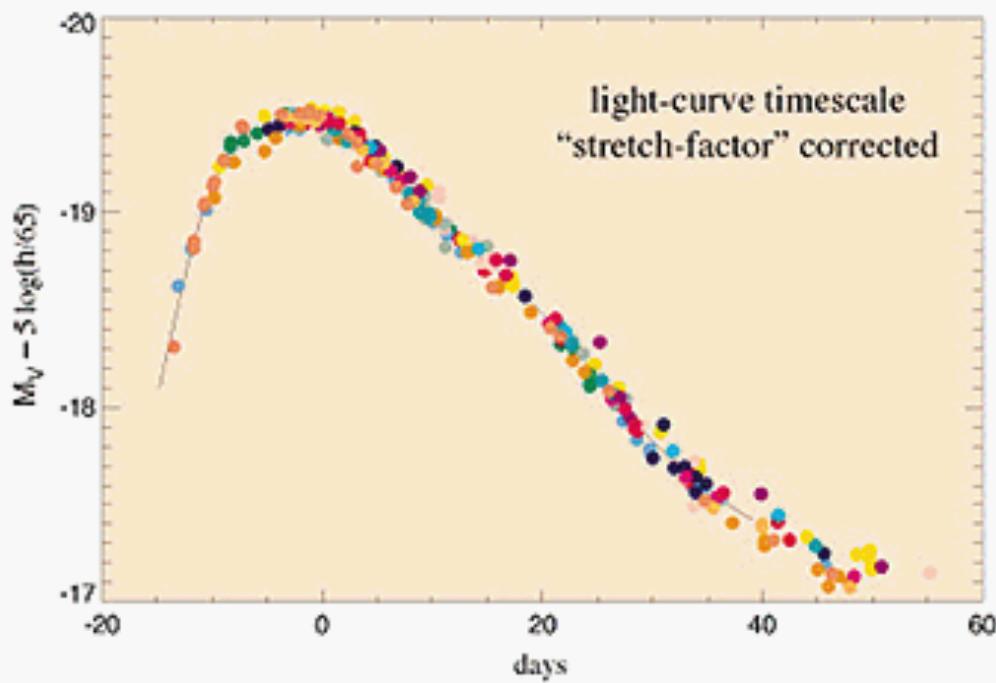
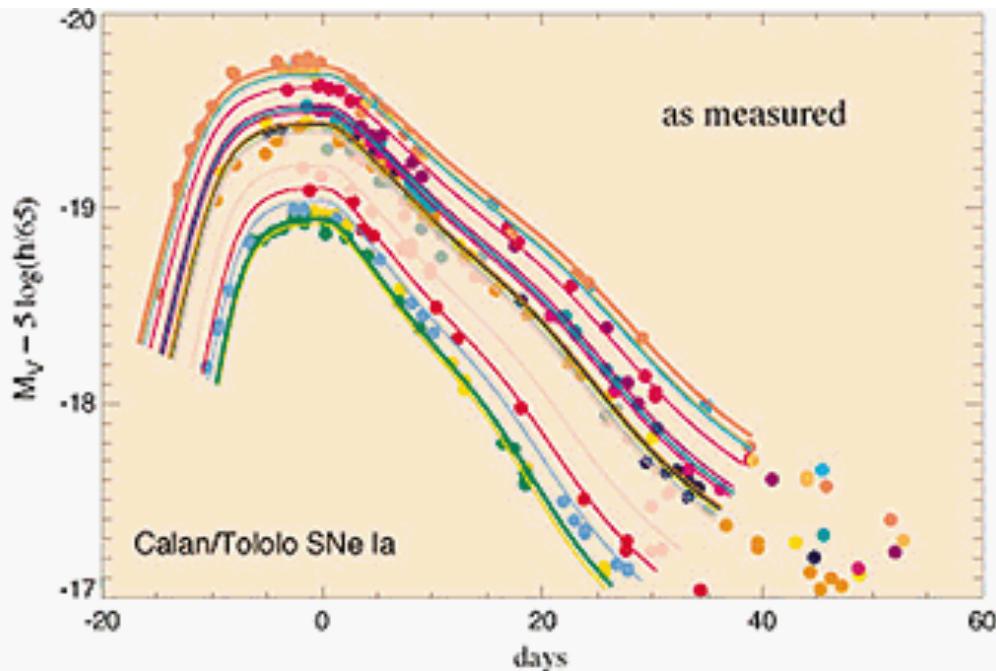
**Thermonuclear  
explosion  
consumes  
the entire white  
dwarf star**

# Animation of Tycho's Supernova

- “Runaway star” is found moving away from center of nebula at 3 times speed of other stars  $\sim 140\text{km/sec}$

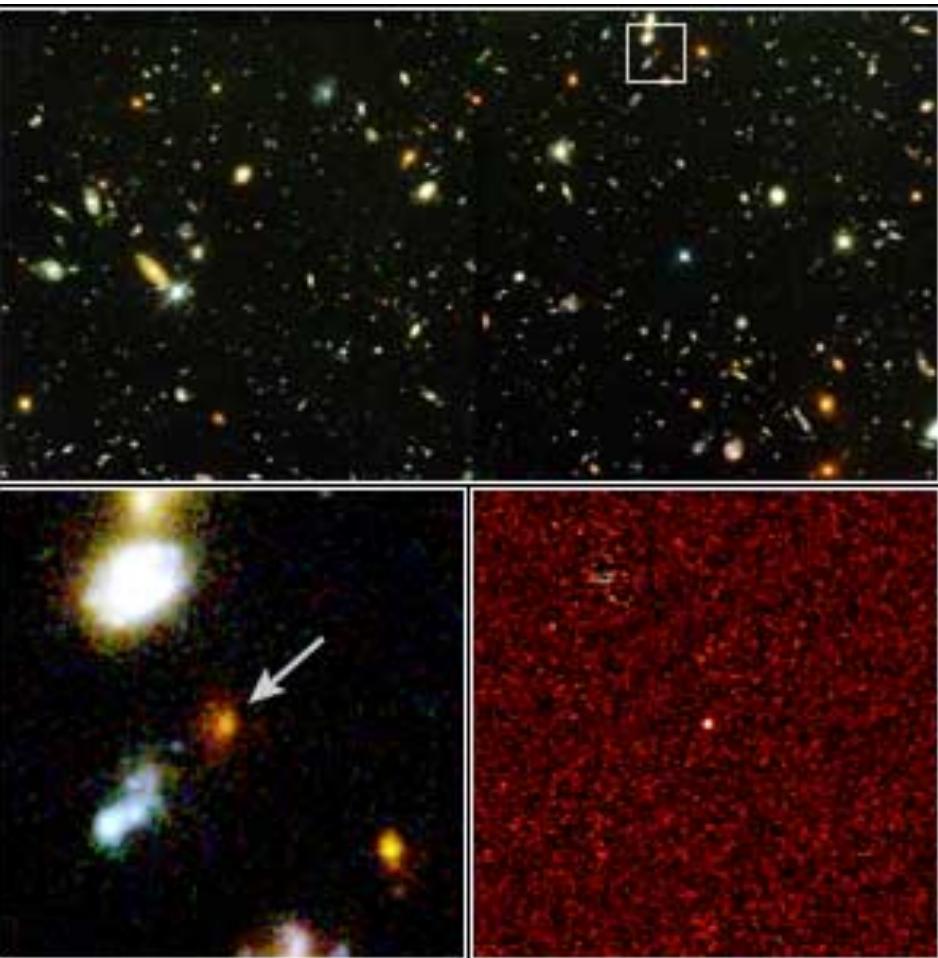


# Type Ia Supernovae Light Curves



- After correcting for the stretch/width
- All Type Ia supernovae have the same intrinsic brightness
- Same absolute magnitude

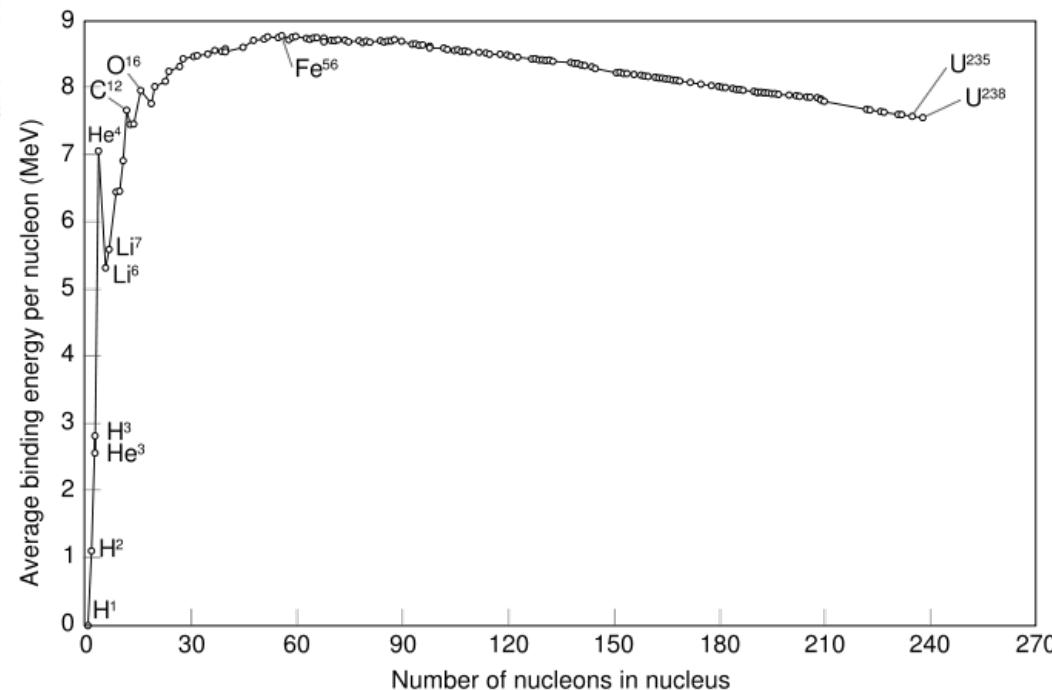
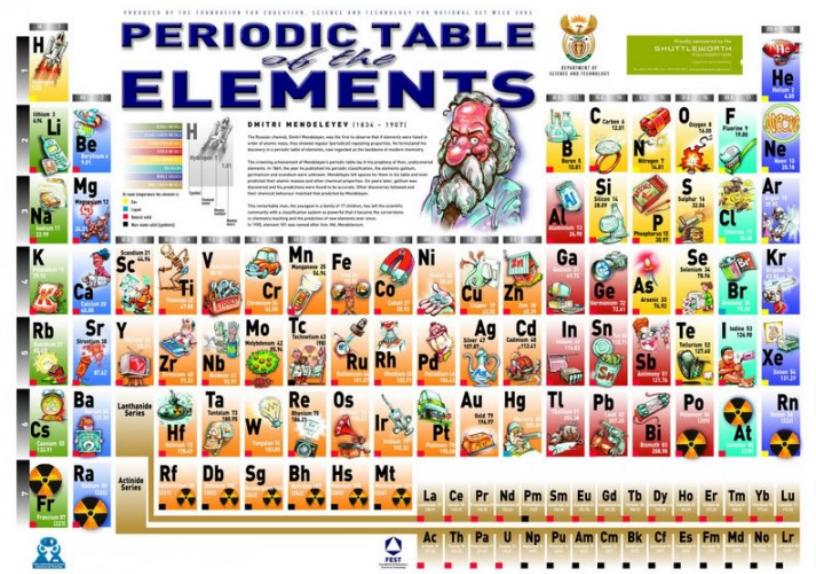
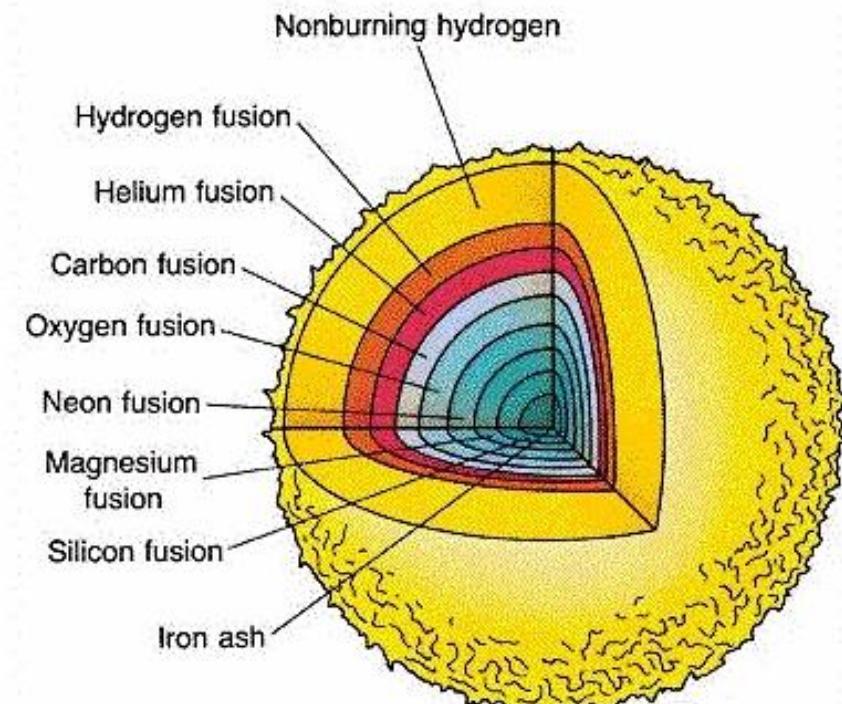
# Most Distant Supernova



- Because they can become as bright as a whole galaxy of stars
- We know their absolute magnitude so we can find their distance
- Even when they are on the other side of the universe

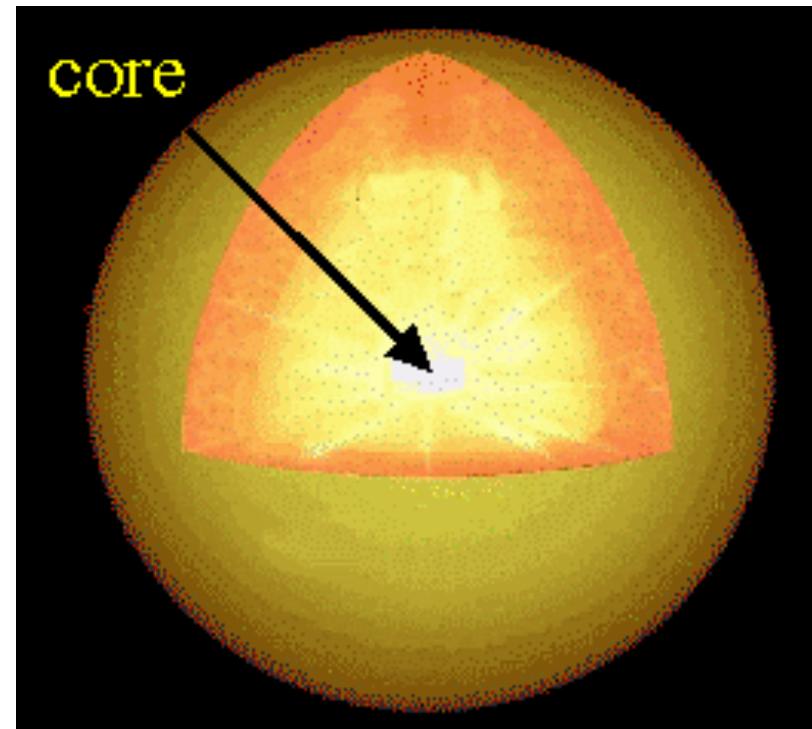
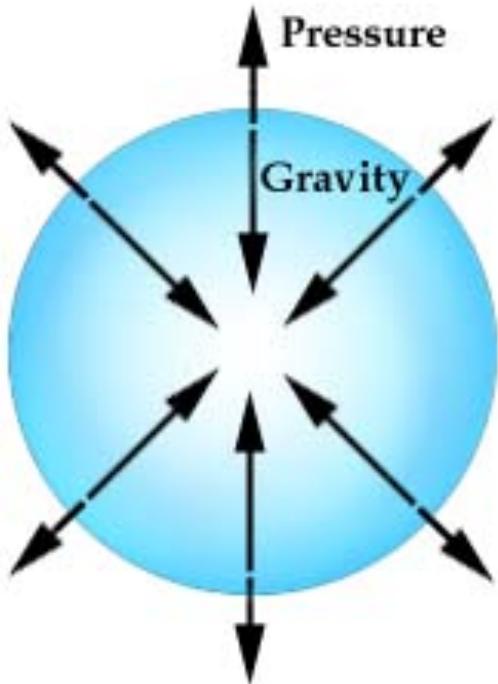
# Larger than 8 Solar Mass Star

- Lighter elements burn in cooler shells farther from iron core
- Star larger than  $8 M_{\text{sun}}$  can't lose enough mass to become a white dwarf



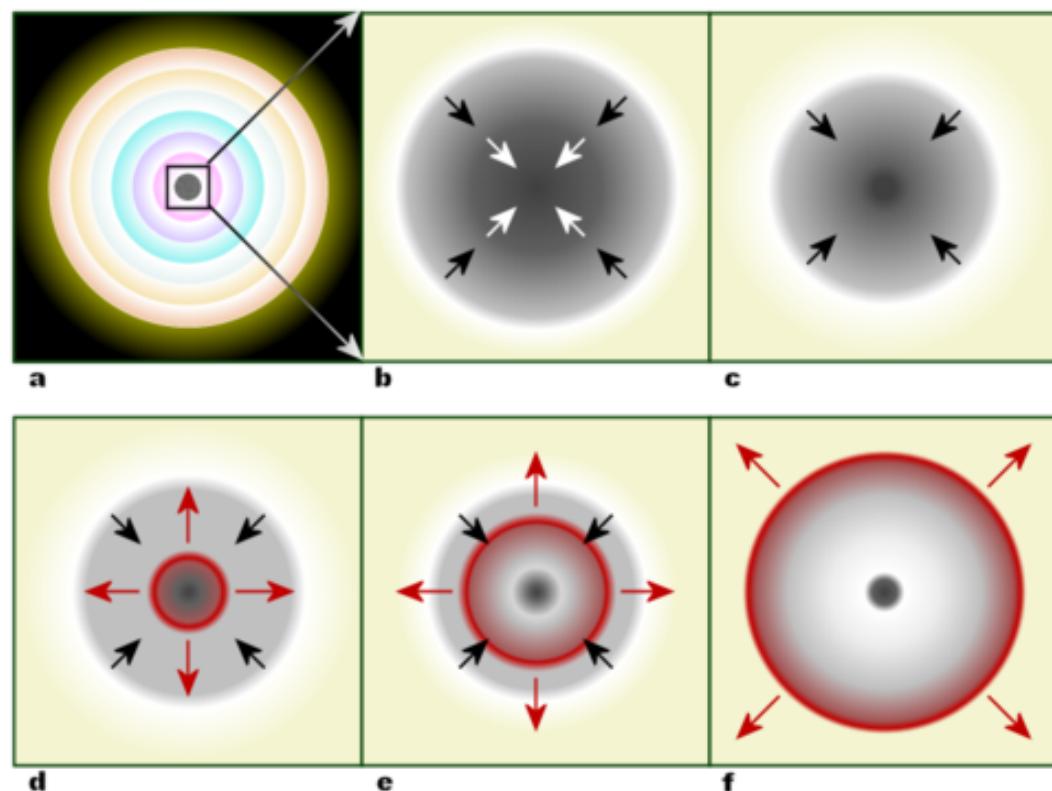
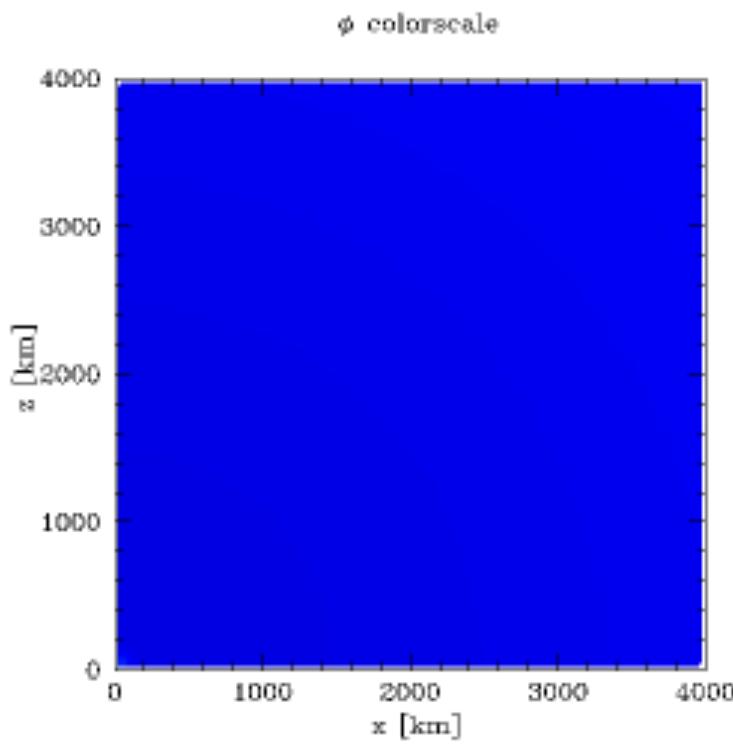
# Type II Supernova

- When iron core reaches a few solar masses – dense core collapses
- Innermost 500km in a few millisconds ( $0.25c$ )
- So hot photons **photodisintegrate** Iron - absorbing energy
- Electron +Proton  $\Rightarrow$  Neutron + Neutrino & Neutrinos escape
- 99% of energy comes out as neutrinos, 1% shock wave, 0.01% light



# Core-Collapse Supernova

- Neutron degeneracy stops collapse => rebounds
- Rebound forms shock wave but it stalls
- Density  $\sim 10^{12}$  gm/cm<sup>3</sup> so even neutrinos push shock
- Plus turbulence and star explodes

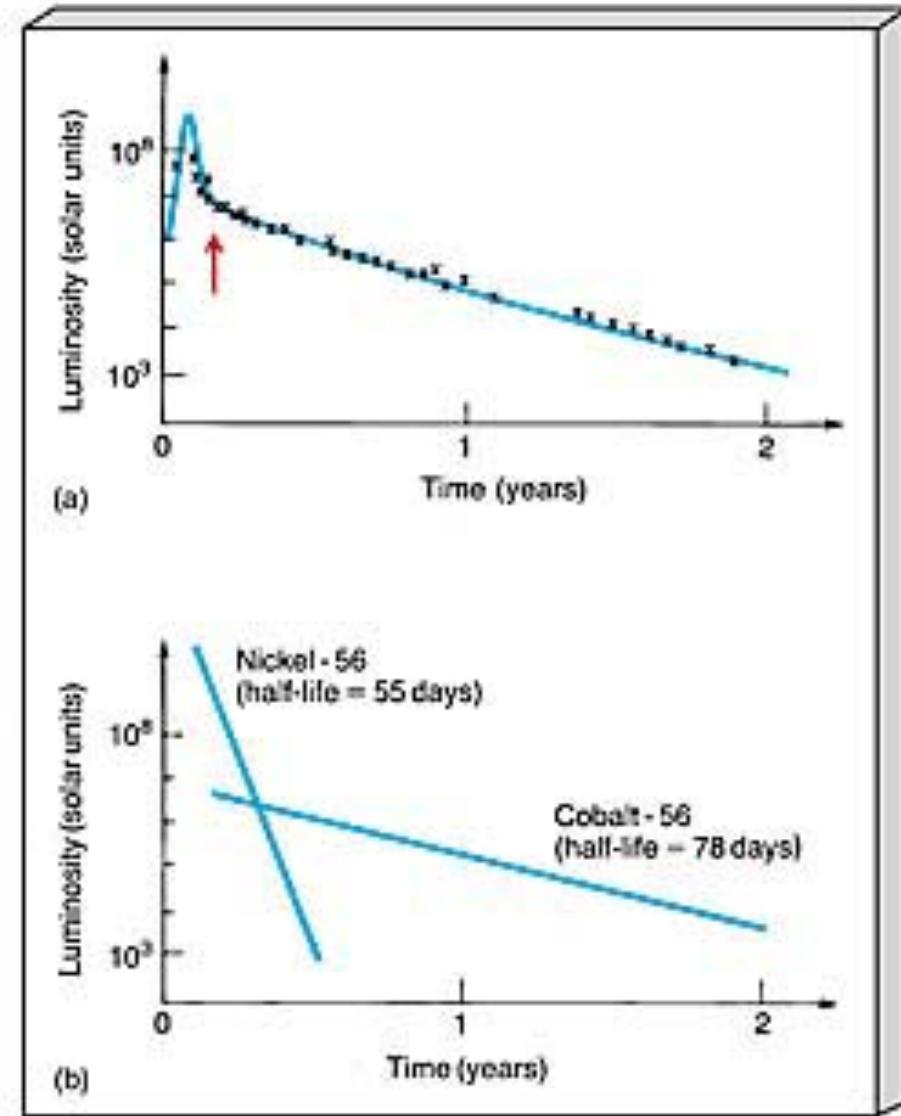




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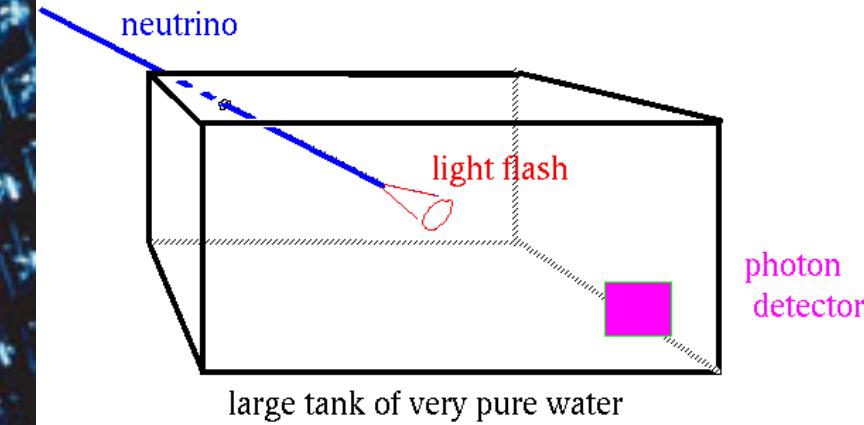
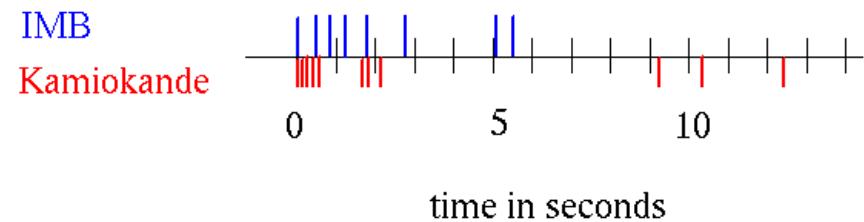
## SN1987A

- Type II Supernova in LMC
- Discovered by Ian Shelton
- 169,000 light years V=4
- Light curve powered by Decay of radioactive Nickel & Cobalt agrees with stellar nucleosynthesis theory



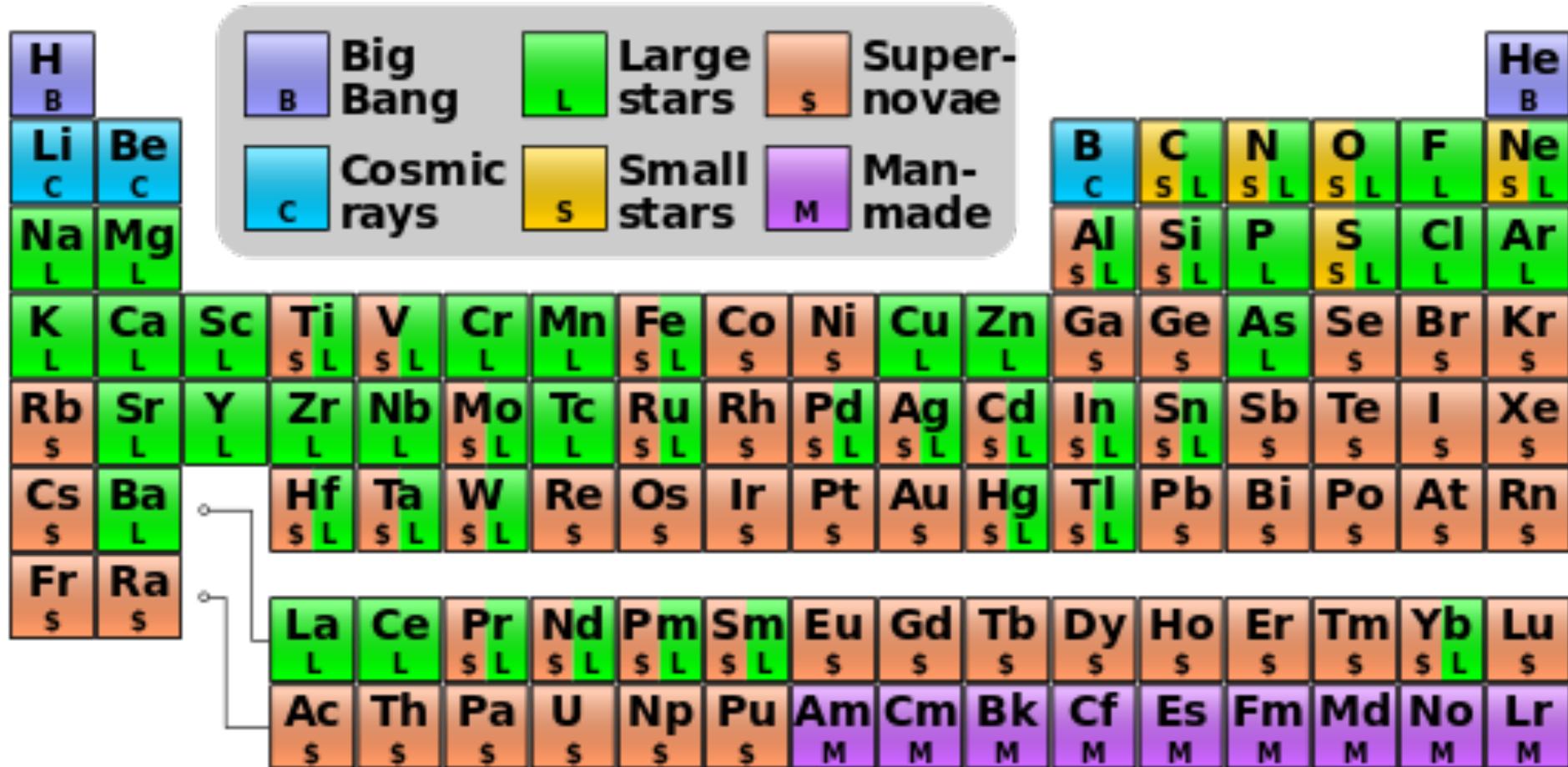
# Neutrinos Detected

- 10 trillion/sec pass through you
- 20 Neutrinos from SN1987A detected - agrees with theory
- Neutrinos arrived hours before light so neutrino's speed~ = light
- IceCube @ South Pole



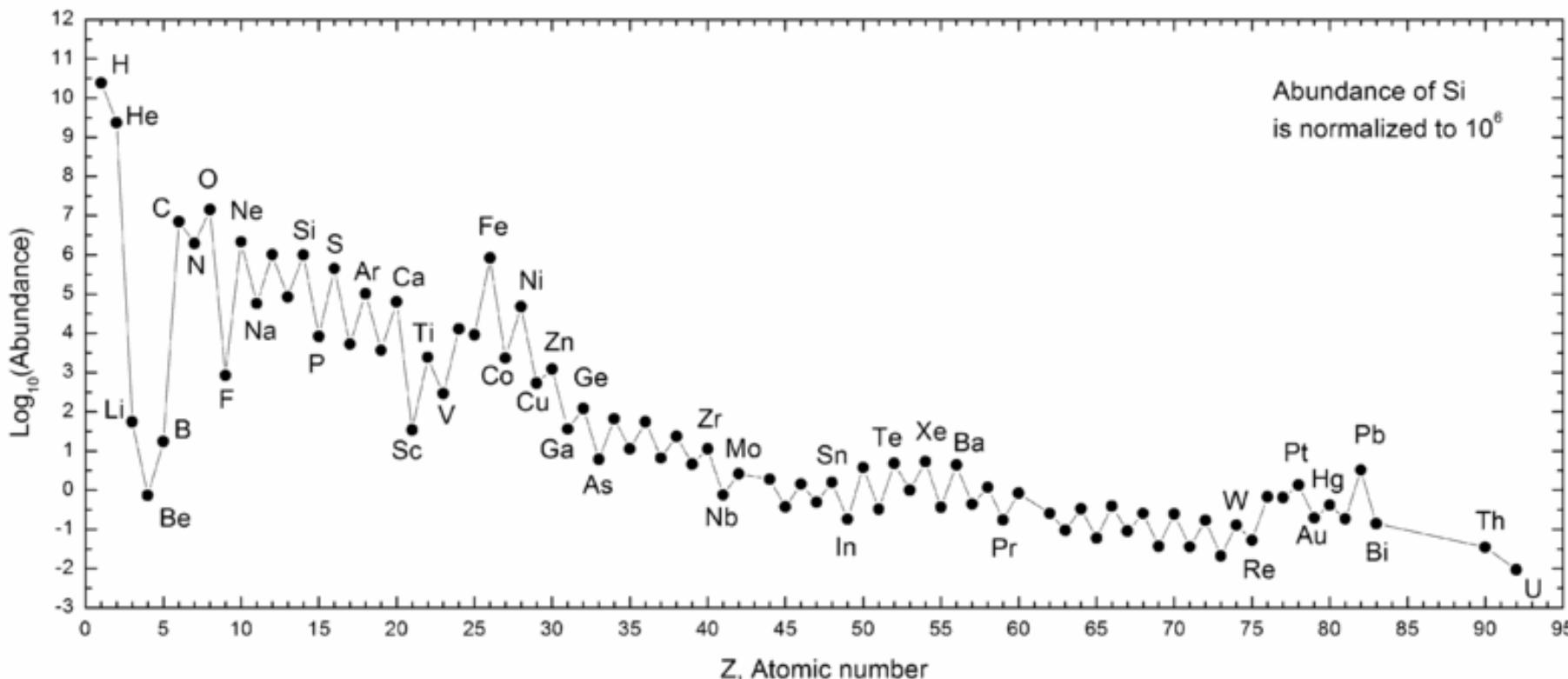
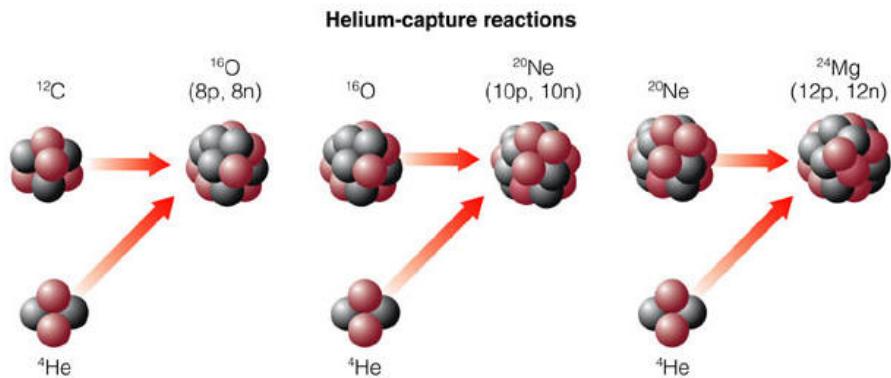
# Stellar Nucleosynthesis

- Stars form all elements heavier than Helium



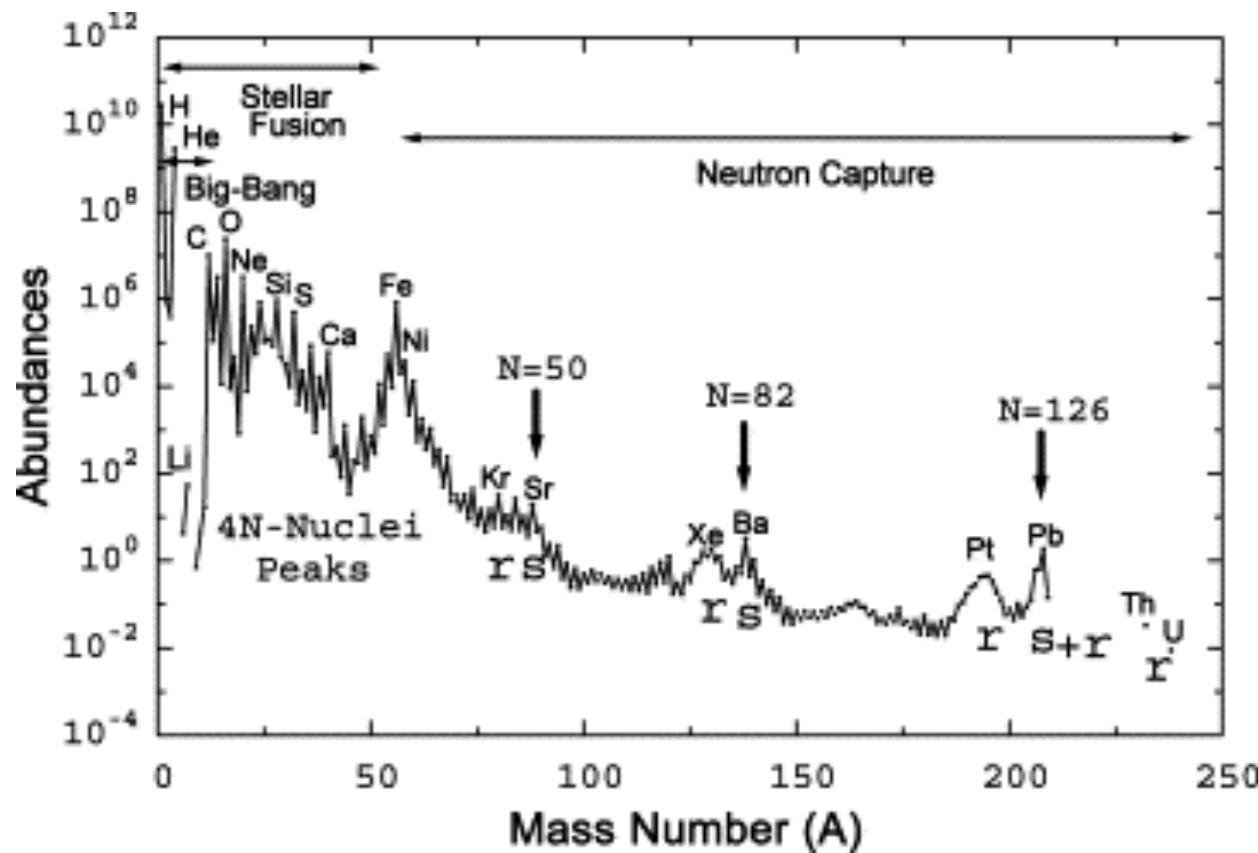
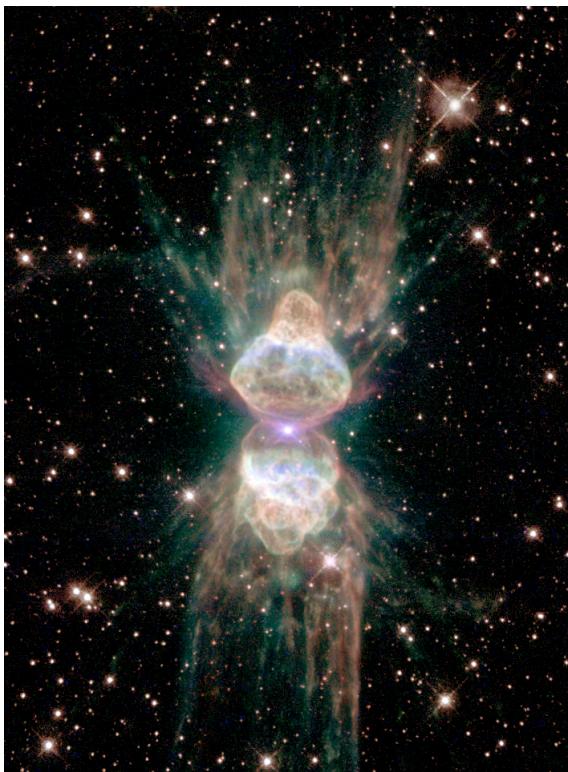
# Helium Capture

- Makes even numbered elements heavier than carbon
- Takes place in AGB stars



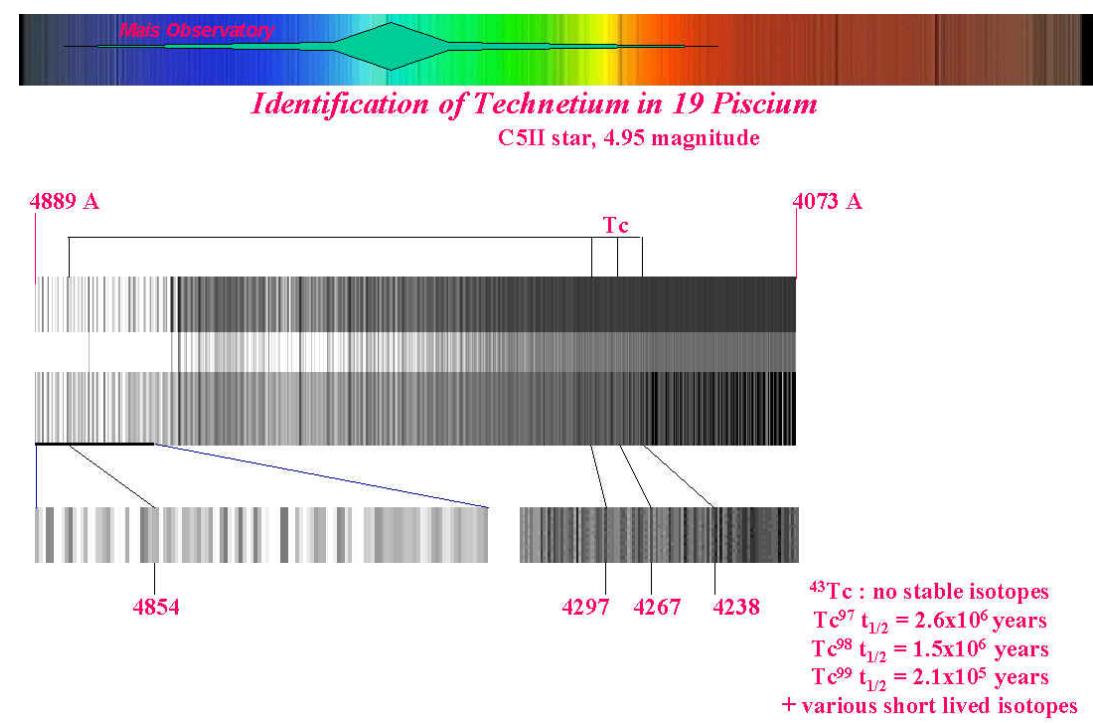
# Slow Neutron Capture

- S-process occurs in AGB stars
- Produces elements heavier than iron, but not Ur&Th
- Neutrons captured & element decays producing heavier element



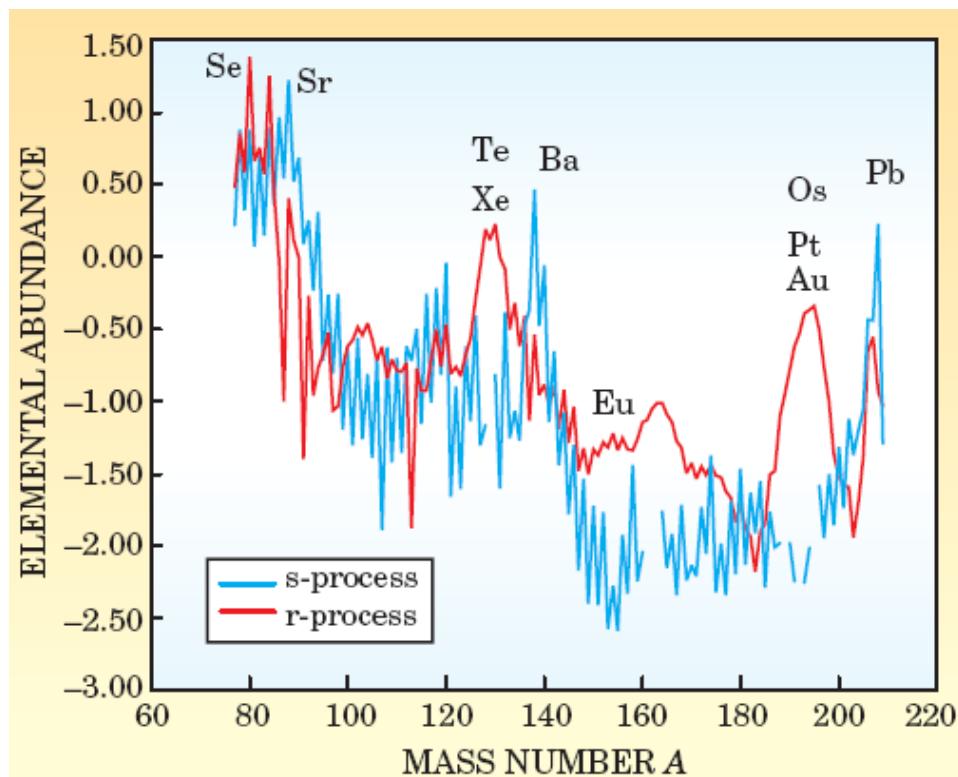
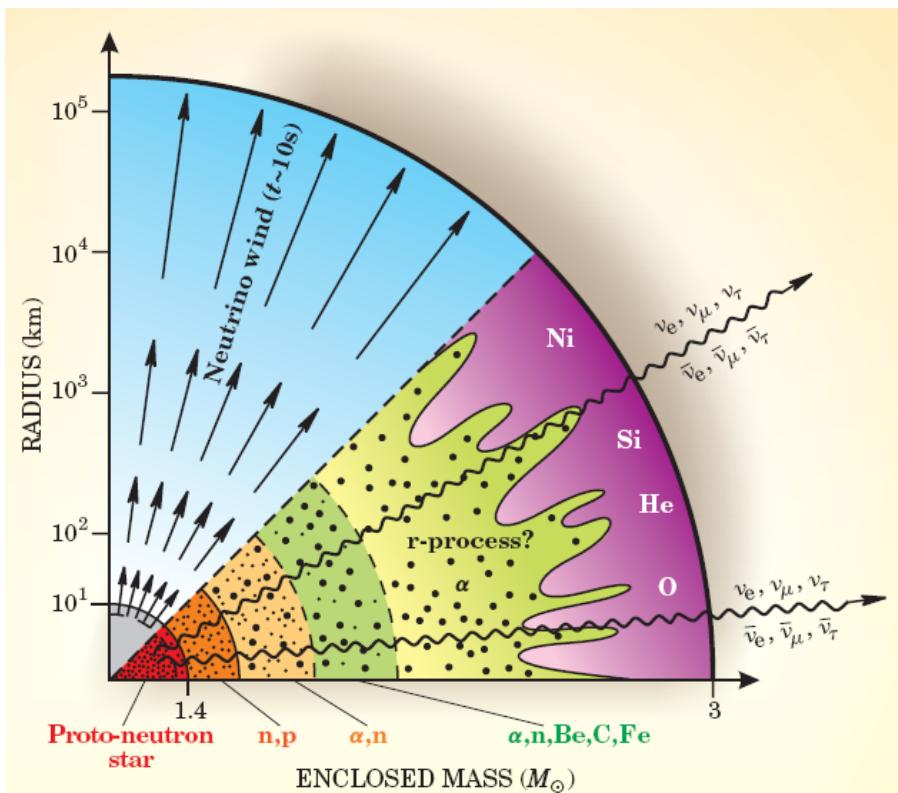
# Evidence of Stellar Nucleosynthesis: Technetium

- Technetium radioactively decays  $\sim$ million years
- But observed in AGB stars so
- Must be produced in AGB stars



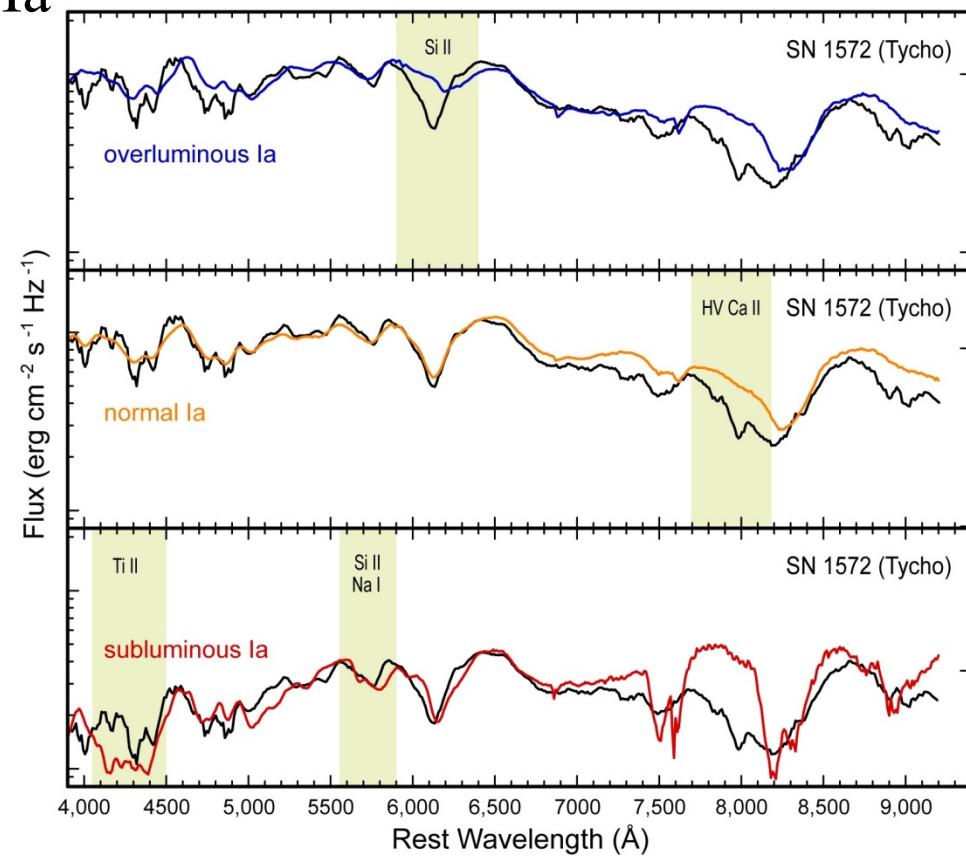
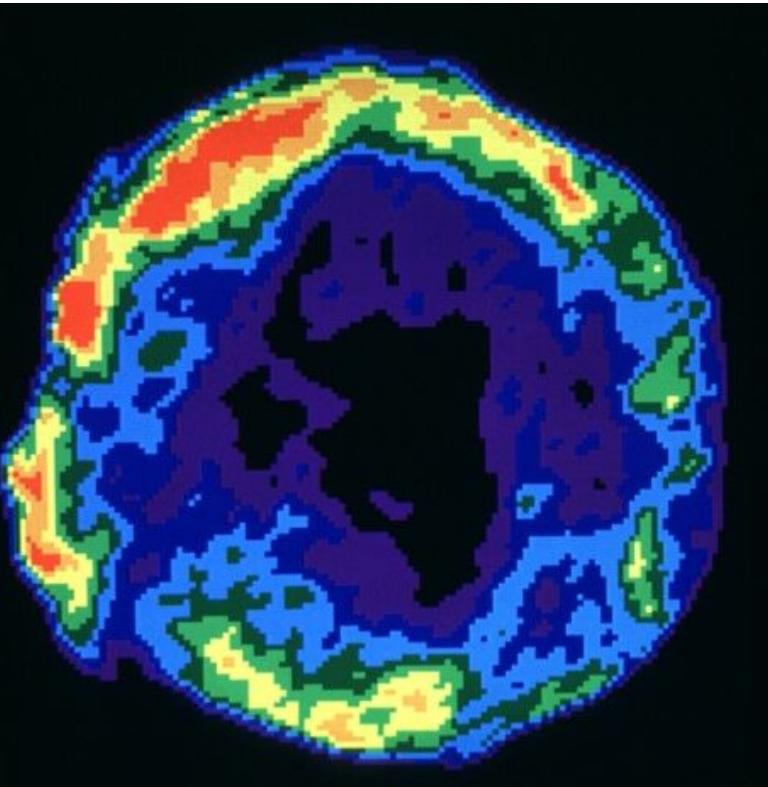
# Rapid r-process Neutron Capture

- Elements beyond iron formed by r-process during Type II Supernova collapse
- Producing Gold & Uranium & Thorium
- Abundances agrees with theory

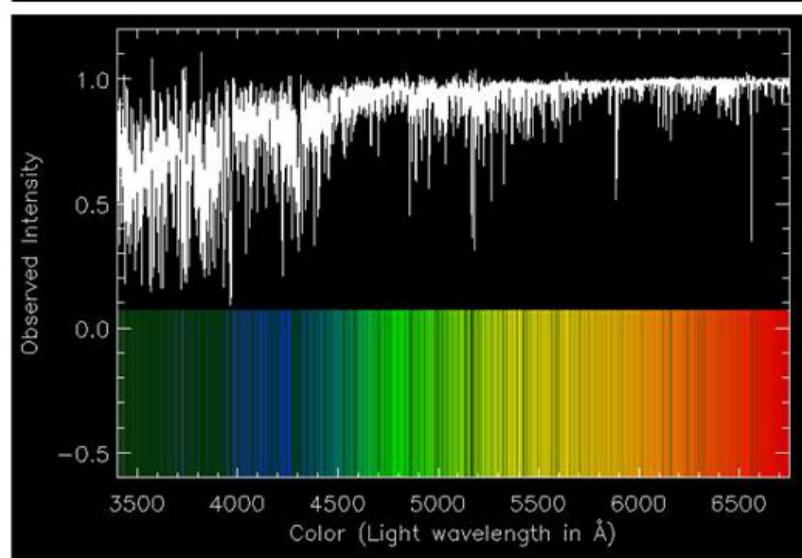
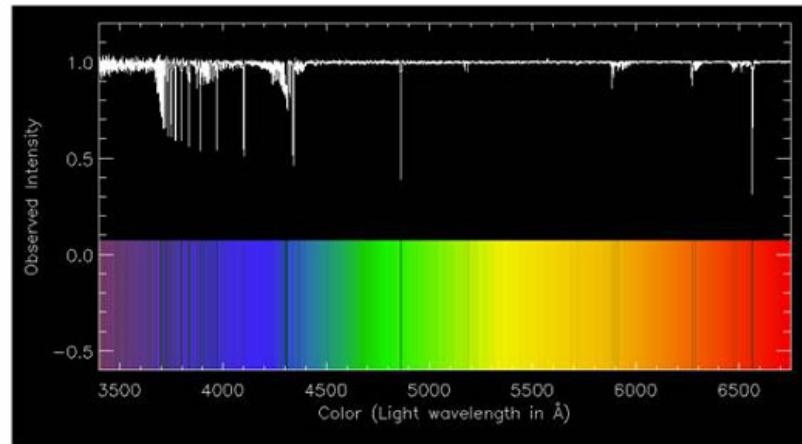


# Debris Enrich Next Generation

- Tycho's SNR 1572
- High, medium and low energy x-rays are blue, green and red
- Debris are red yellow green at ~10 Million K
- Material ejected at ~15,000 km/sec creates shock wave
- Spectra of light echo gives Type Ia



# Most metal poor star

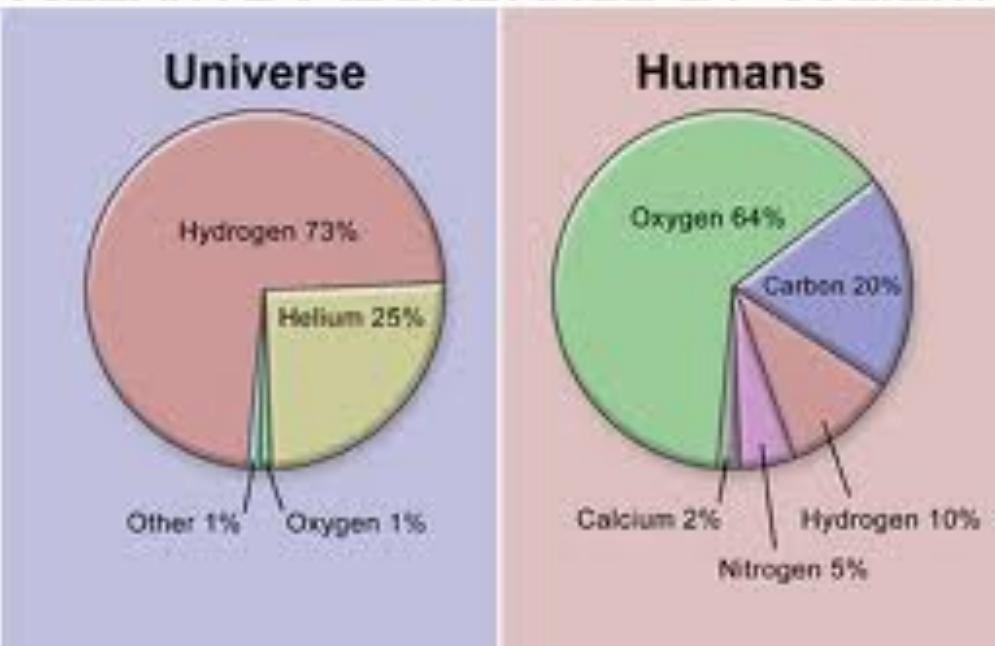


- First stars formed had no elements heavier than Hydrogen and helium
- Second generation had few heavy elements
- SM0313 has 15million times less heavy elements than the sun

# Stellar Nucleosynthesis

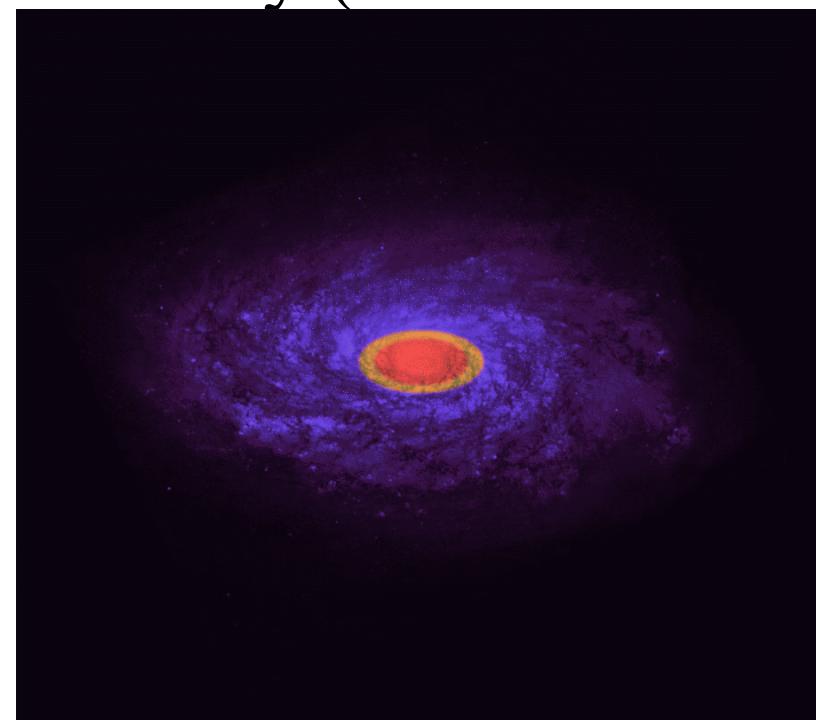
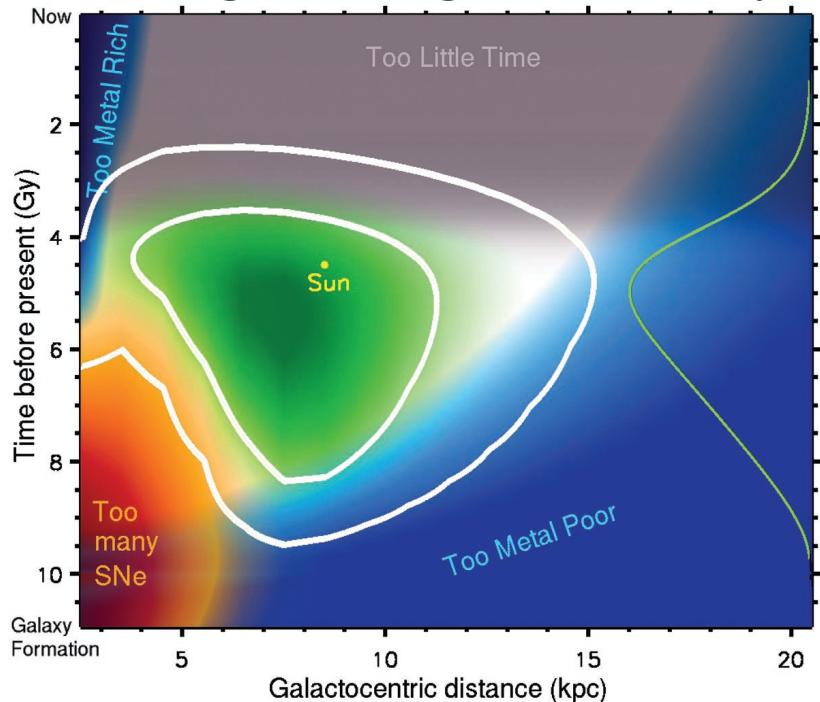
- We are all made of star dust
- We are ashes of nuclear furnaces
- We are nuclear waste

RELATIVE ABUNDANCE BY WEIGHT



# Galactic Habitable Zone

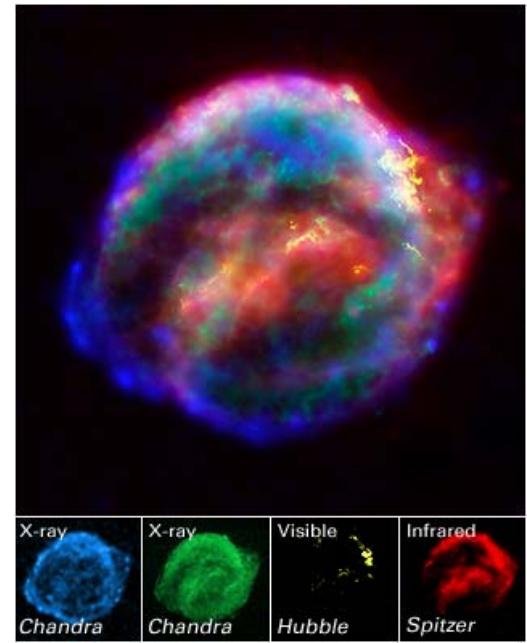
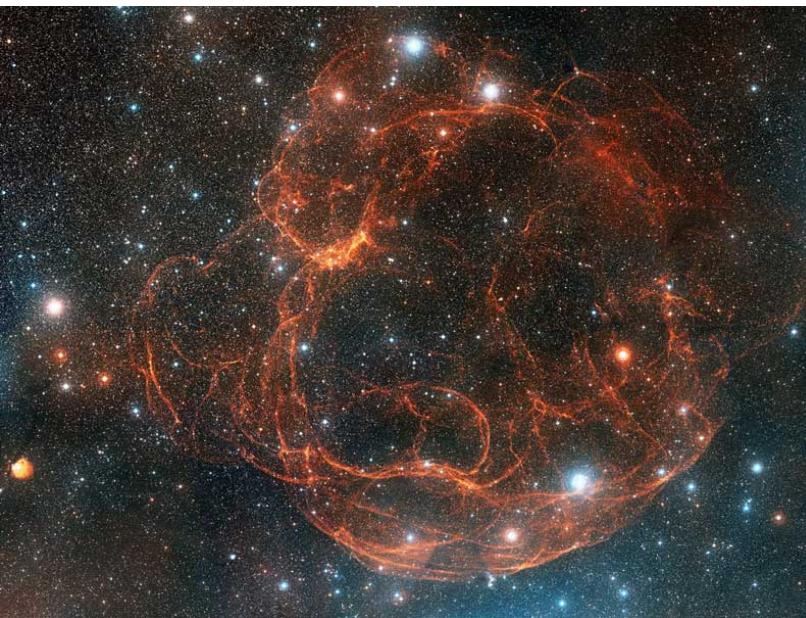
- Red zone has too many supernovae
- Blue- too few supernovae/too few heavy elements
- Green is just right
- Each time step is 600 million years from beginning of Milky Way until today (12Billion)



# Historical Supernovae

• Year	Date	Con	mag	Remnant	Observed/Comments
• 1006	Apr 30	Lup	-9		Arabic; also Chinese, Japanese, European
• 1054	Jul 4	Tau	-6	M1 Crab	Chinese, North American(?) Arab, Japan
• 1181		Cas	-1	3C 58	Chinese and Japanese
• 1203	?	Sco	0	1230? Aql	
• 1572	Nov 6	Cas	-4	Tycho SNR	Tycho Brahe's SN
• 1604	Oct 9	Oph	-3	Kepler SNR	Johannes Kepler's SN
• 1680?1667?	Cas	?		Cas A	Not seen ? Radio remnant 1950

1 supernova per galaxy per 100 years BUT      Not all observed !





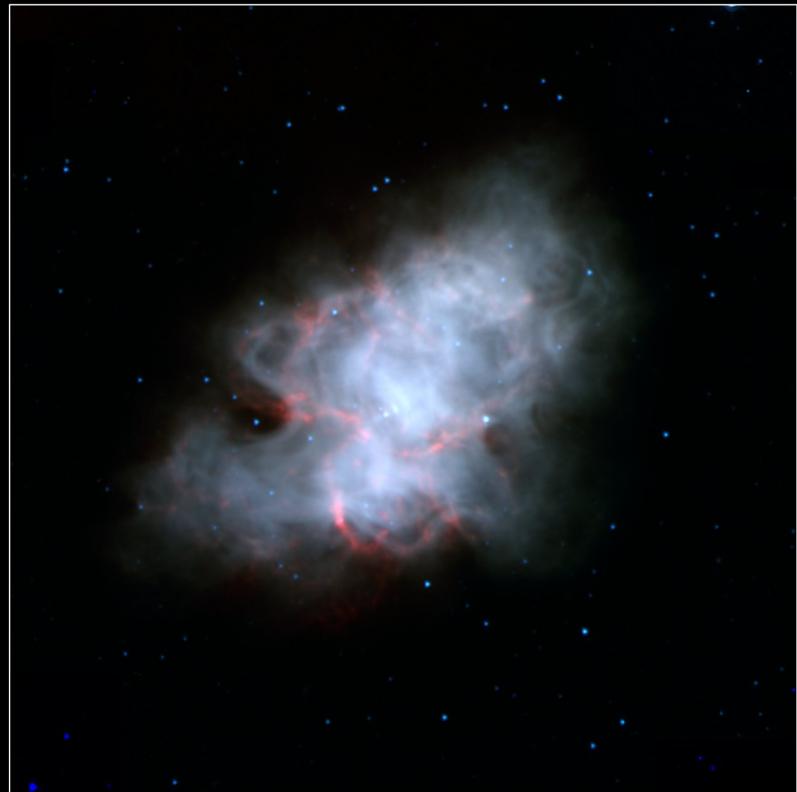
- Guest star appeared 4 July 1054
- Seen by Chinese in daytime; distance=6500ly
- Red is emission nebula =supernova remnant
- Blue is synchrotron emission
- Powered by compact object

## Crab Nebula



# Synchrotron Radiation

- Electron Spirals in Magnetic field
- Acceleration causes emission of photon
- Polarized light



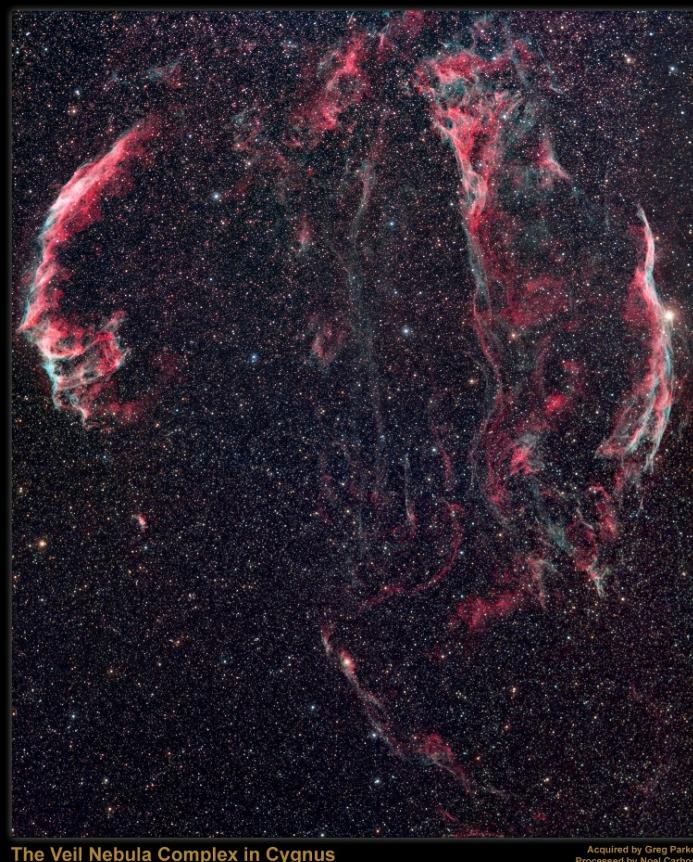
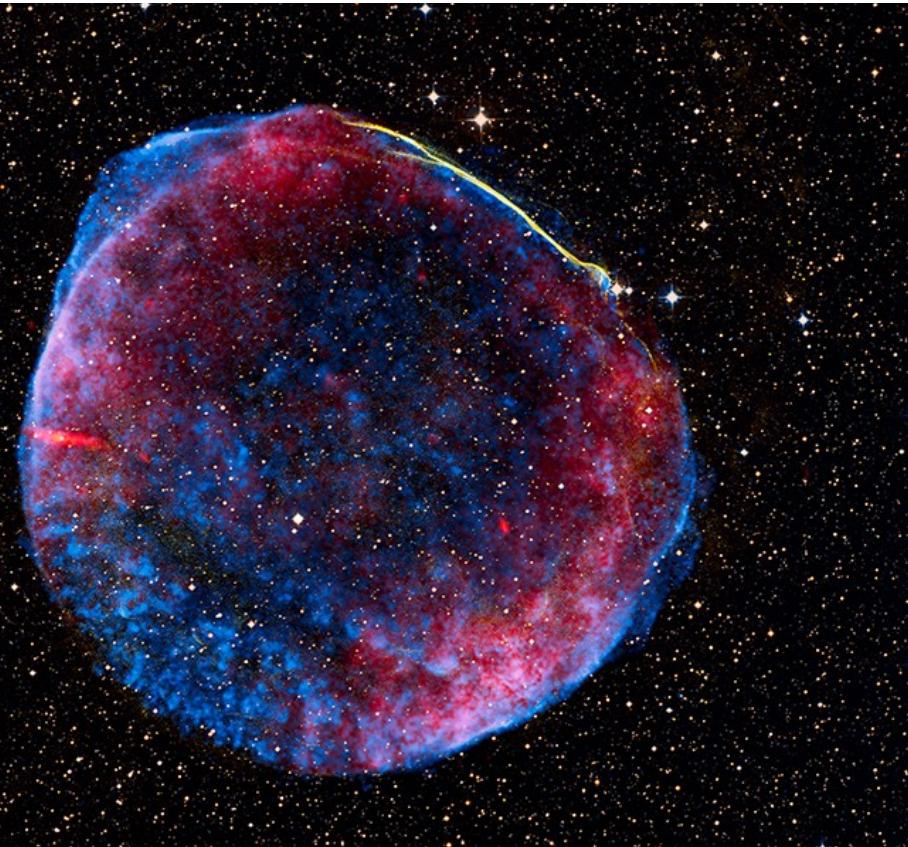
Crab Nebula Supernova Remnant  
NASA / JPL-Caltech / R. Gehrz (University of Minnesota)

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# Supernova Remnants

- Expanding shell enriches interstellar medium with heavy elements
- Debris from Crab=100tons, hits Earth in 100,000years



The Veil Nebula Complex in Cygnus

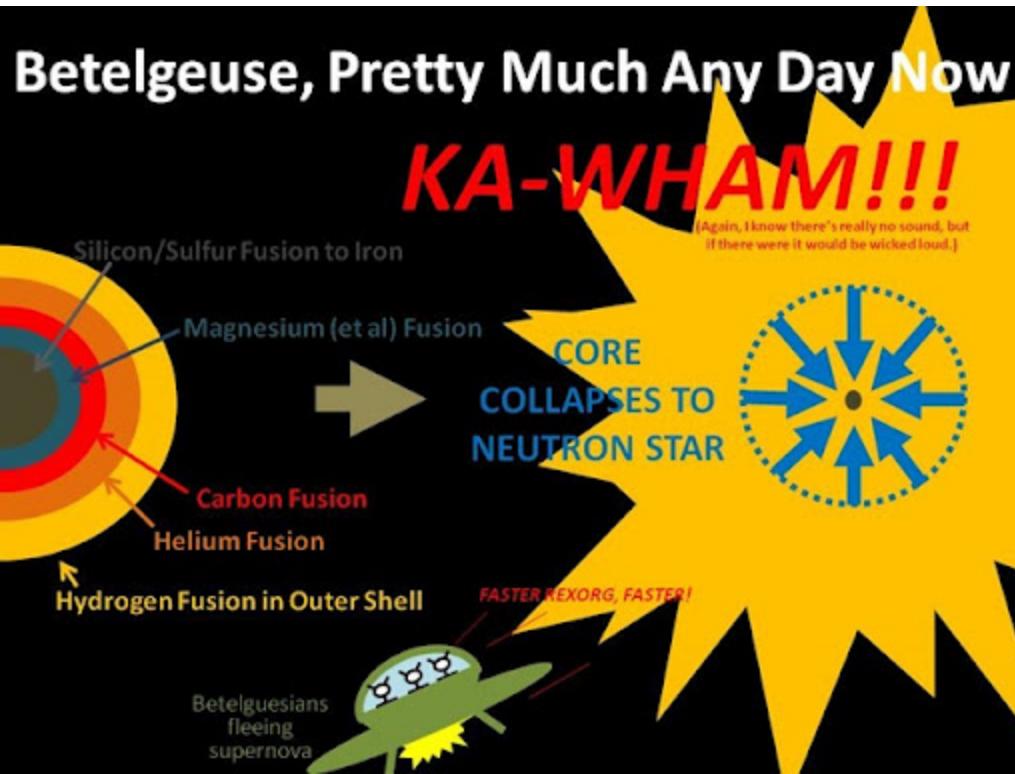
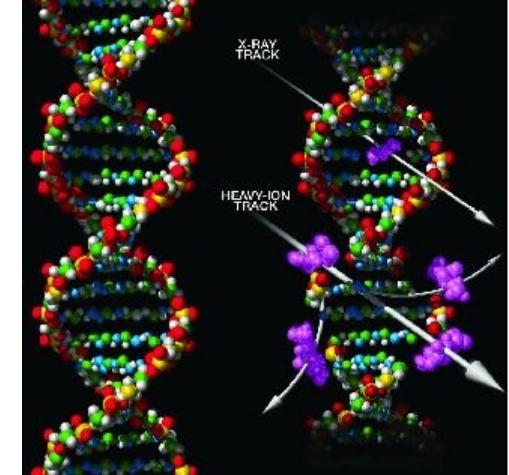
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Marco Lorenz, 2010

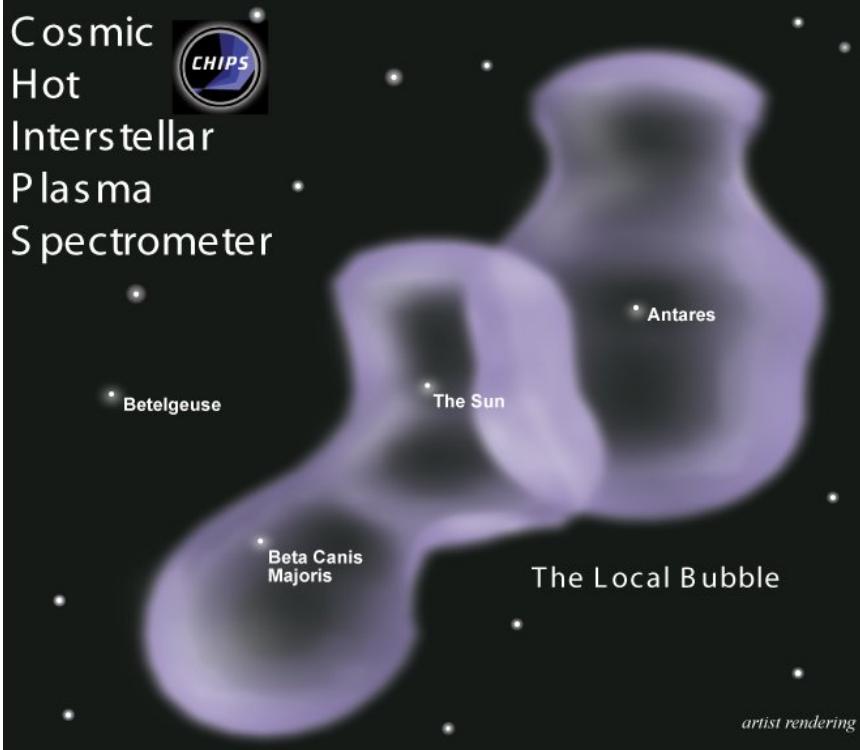
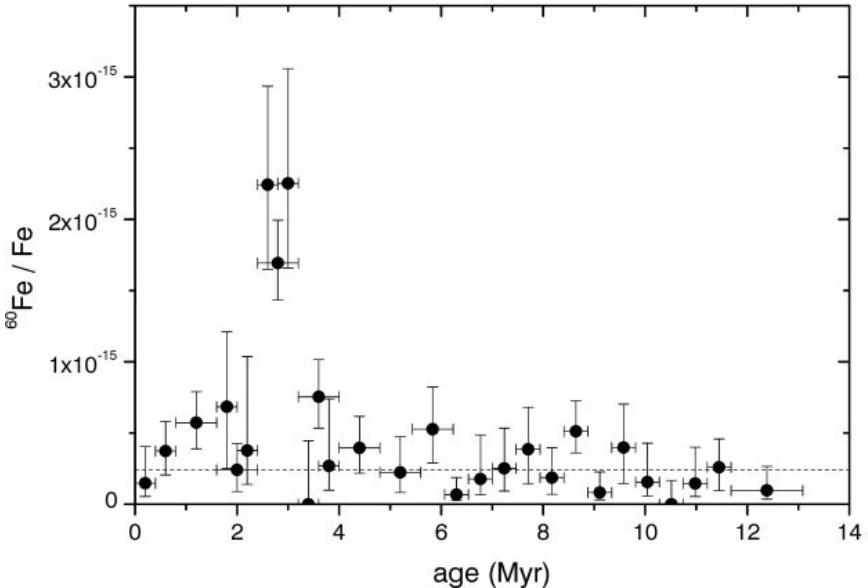
# Are Supernovae Dangerous?

- Type II=Spica, Rigel, Betelgeuse not close
- IK Peg Type Ia **progenitor**
- Initial burst of light, neutrinos, okay but
- X-rays & Gamma-rays=ozone layer destruction
- Dangerous within ~10 pc



# Past Extinctions

- Extinction every 100? Million years
- Past extinctions? – maybe evidence from sea floor&ice caps



Which of the following statements is False:

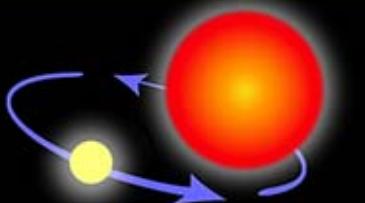
- a. Nova: an explosion on the surface of a white dwarf
- b. Type Ia supernova: explosion of whole white dwarf
- c. Type II supernova: explosion of a high mass star
- d. Stellar nucleosynthesis produces the high mass elements in the periodic table
- e. All of these are true



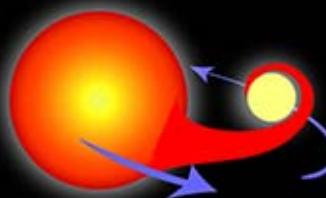
## The progenitor of a Type Ia supernova



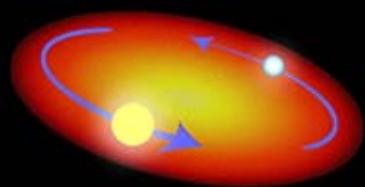
Two normal stars are in a binary pair.



The more massive star becomes a giant...



...which spills gas onto the secondary star, causing it to expand and become engulfed.



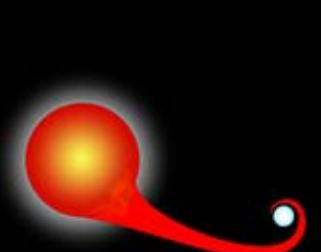
The secondary, lighter star and the core of the giant star spiral inward within a common envelope.



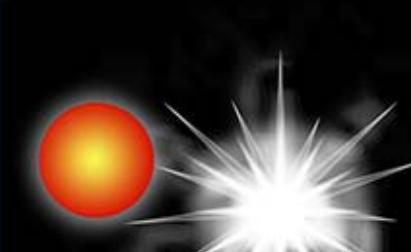
The common envelope is ejected, while the separation between the core and the secondary star decreases.



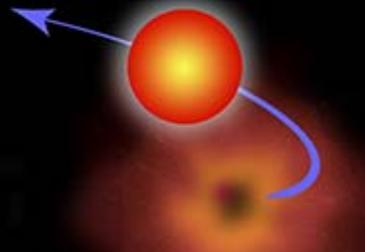
The remaining core of the giant collapses and becomes a white dwarf.



The aging companion star starts swelling, spilling gas onto the white dwarf.



The white dwarf's mass increases until it reaches a critical mass and explodes...



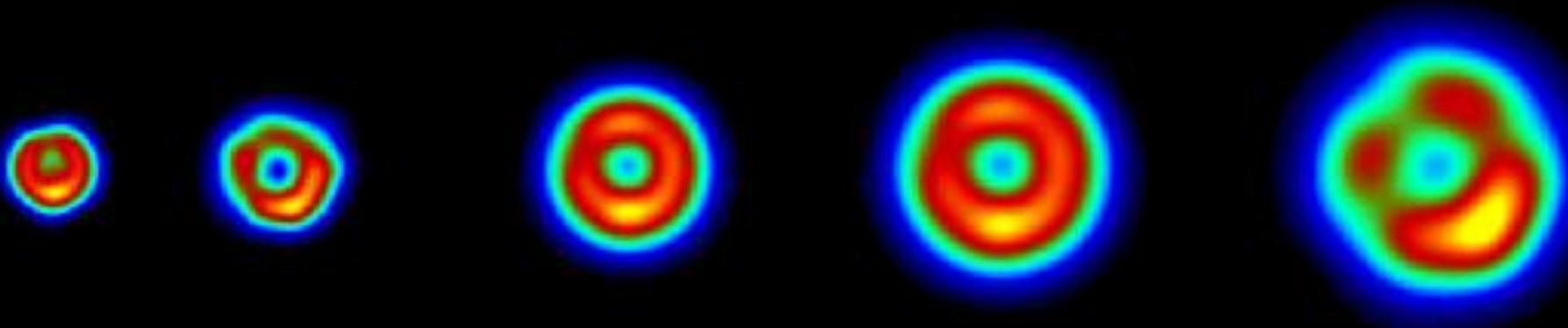
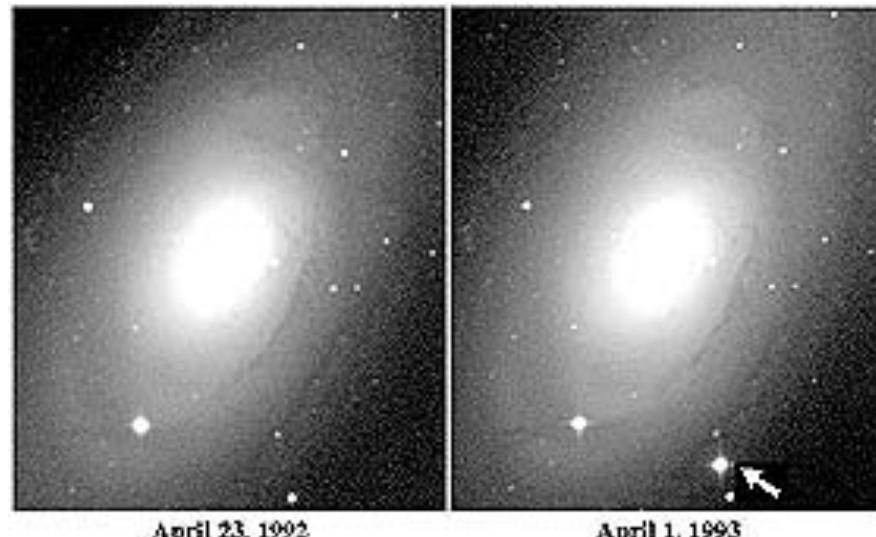
...causing the companion star to be ejected away.

# Type Ia Supernova

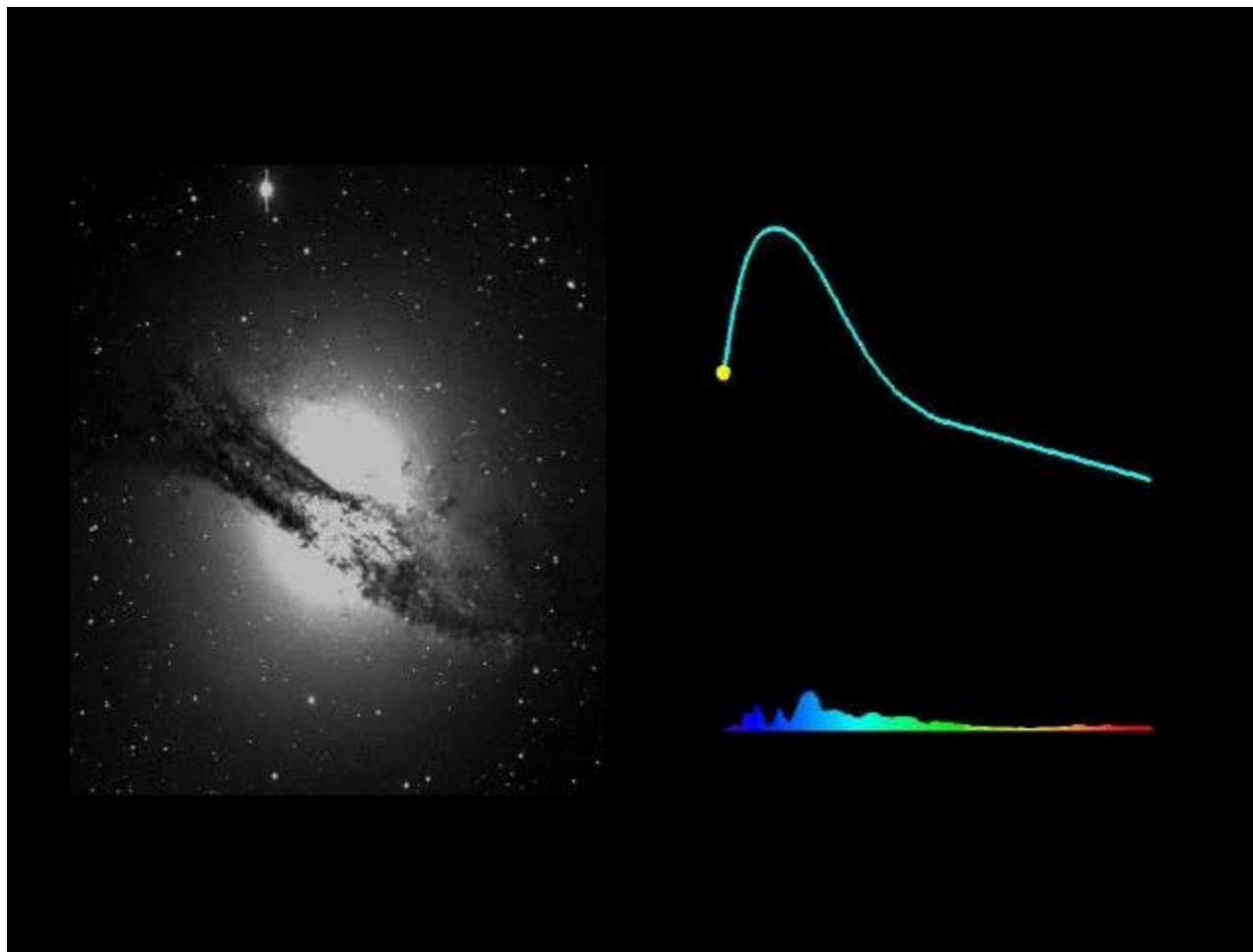
- White dwarf in a binary system
- Which is heated to ignition by mass transfer from secondary
- Heat ignites carbon deflagration
- Producing Iron, silicon etc.

# SN1993J in M81 in Visible and Radio

- 11 Million ly distant Type IIb
- Reached V=10 so Absolute Magnitude is  $\sim -18$
- Equals a galaxy of stars
- Expansion of nebula and size give estimate of age  $\sim 1000'$  s years
- Velocity of expansion (10,000 km/sec) & proper motion gives distance



# Supernova Cosmology Project



# Nova Herculis 1934

- Hydrogen accretes onto white dwarf = degenerate gas
- After  $\sim 100$  earth masses
- PP then CNO cycles burn hydrogen to helium

