Models of Core-Collapse SNe and Shock Breakout

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Importance of Supernovae

Astrophysics

- Death of a star \longrightarrow Stellar evolution
- Chemical enrichment of interstelar medium
- Energetics events —> trigger new star formation, remanants



Cosmology

- Powerful distance indicators
- Accelerated expansion of the Universe - Dark energy



Nobel Prize 2011

Supernova diversity

- Normal SN: $E_k \sim 10^{51}$ erg, $\sim 1-10\% E_k$ during weeks/months ($\sim 10^{10}L_{\odot}$)
- Broad line Ic ($v \sim 30000$ km s⁻¹) connected to LGRBs ($E \sim 10^{52}$ erg)
- Superluminous SN: \approx 10 100 \times more luminous than "ordinary" SNe



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Progenitor Stars

- Archival pre-explosion imaging
- Environmental and metallicity studies
- SN rates
- Mass-loss rates from radio & X-rays
- Spectropolarimetry
- Flash spectroscopy
- Light-curve and spectrum modeling

Progenitor Stars

- High-resolution, deep archival imaging (HST) (\leq 30 Mpc) \approx 30 detections + 38 upper limits (Van Dyk, Smartt, etc.)
 - Most are RSG SNe II
 - A few YSG SNe IIb
 - One detections for SN Ib
 - One candidate for SN Ic
 - LBV SNe IIn
 - BSG SN 1987A
 - Deficiency of progenitors with log L/L $_{\odot} \gtrsim 5.1 \Longrightarrow$ M_{ZAMS} $\lesssim 16-18 M_{\odot}$?





Progenitor Stars

- Hydrodynamic modeling: LC + expansion velocities
- Progenitor mass, radius, explosion energy, ⁵⁶Ni mass



Hydrodynamical Models

- Different time scales for core and envelope => ejection of the envelope treated independently of core collapse
- Numerical integration of the hydro equations + radiative transfer
 1-D code with flux-limited radiation + gray transfer for γ -rays (Bersten+11)
- Pre-SN structures: stellar evolution and parametric models



H-poor Supernovae

- Type IIb-Ib-Ic: Stripped envelope SNe
- Cooling phase with strong dependence on progenitor radius
- Second peak powered by radioactive decay Depends on E_{exp} , M_{ej} , M_{Ni} and ${}^{56}Ni$ distribution



Shock Breakout (SBO)

- A luminous burst in UV/X-ray: shock-wave emerges on the stellar surface ($\tau < v_{sock}/c$)
- Produces an emission peak in the optical
- SBO emission \neq shock cooling emission













Supernova 2016gkg

Discovered on Sept. 20th 2016 by amateur Víctor Buso



The "Observatorio Busoniano" in Rosario

Buso with his 40cm Newtonian

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- First-time, self-consistent model for the whole SN evolution
- Fast initial rise and brightness naturally reproduced



Physical origin of Víctor's data: SBO or post shock-cooling (PSC)?



- The rise to the SBO peak is significantly faster than that of the (PSC)
- No physical parameter can reconcile the slopes

- Fast initial rise and brightness only compatible with the SBO
- No physical parameter can reconcile the SBO and cooling slopes



- Our model shows slightly higher SBO slope
- Possible solution presence of some circumstellar material (CSM)



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Progenitor of SN 2016gkg

- HST pre-SN images \implies YSG star
- Binary calculations: progenitor is a H-deficient YSG star
- New HST images obtained to confirm progenitor



see also Tartaglia+17, Arcavi+17 & Kilpatrick+17



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Summary

- Light-curve modeling a useful tool to derive physical properties of SN progenitors and thus to test stellar evolution models
- This methodology is particularly powerful when combined with stellar evolution calculations and direct imaging of nearby SN
- Detailed analysis of the SBO signal gives unique diagnostics of the outermost progenitor structure and of the physical processes that occur during the shock emergence.
- A chance probability of $\approx 10^{-7} 10^{-8}$ is estimated for this discovery \implies systematic studies are extremely difficult
- SN16gkg model explains for the first time three distinct phases of IIb
- SBO in SN16gkg may suggest low-density CSM
- SBO detections require minute/hour cadence observations

Mass-loss Mechanisms

- Single, massive (\gtrsim 25 M_{\odot}) Wolf-Rayet stars with strong winds \implies He core mass \gtrsim 8 M_{\odot}
- Interacting binaries can make lower-mass stars lose their envelopes



Binary-star mass-transfer



H-poor Supernovae

- Low ejecta masses \approx 1-4 M_☉ from LC of SE-SN sample (Drout+11, Taddia+18, ...) \implies binarity
- SNe IIb: four YSG confirmed. Three possible companion detections
- SN Ib: one confirmed progenitor (iPTF13bvn; Eldrige+Maund 16, Folatelli+16)
- SN Ic: one progenitor candidate (SN 2017ein; Van Dyk+18)



Folatelli, MB+14