

# Magnetorotational Core-Collapse Supernovae in Three Dimensions

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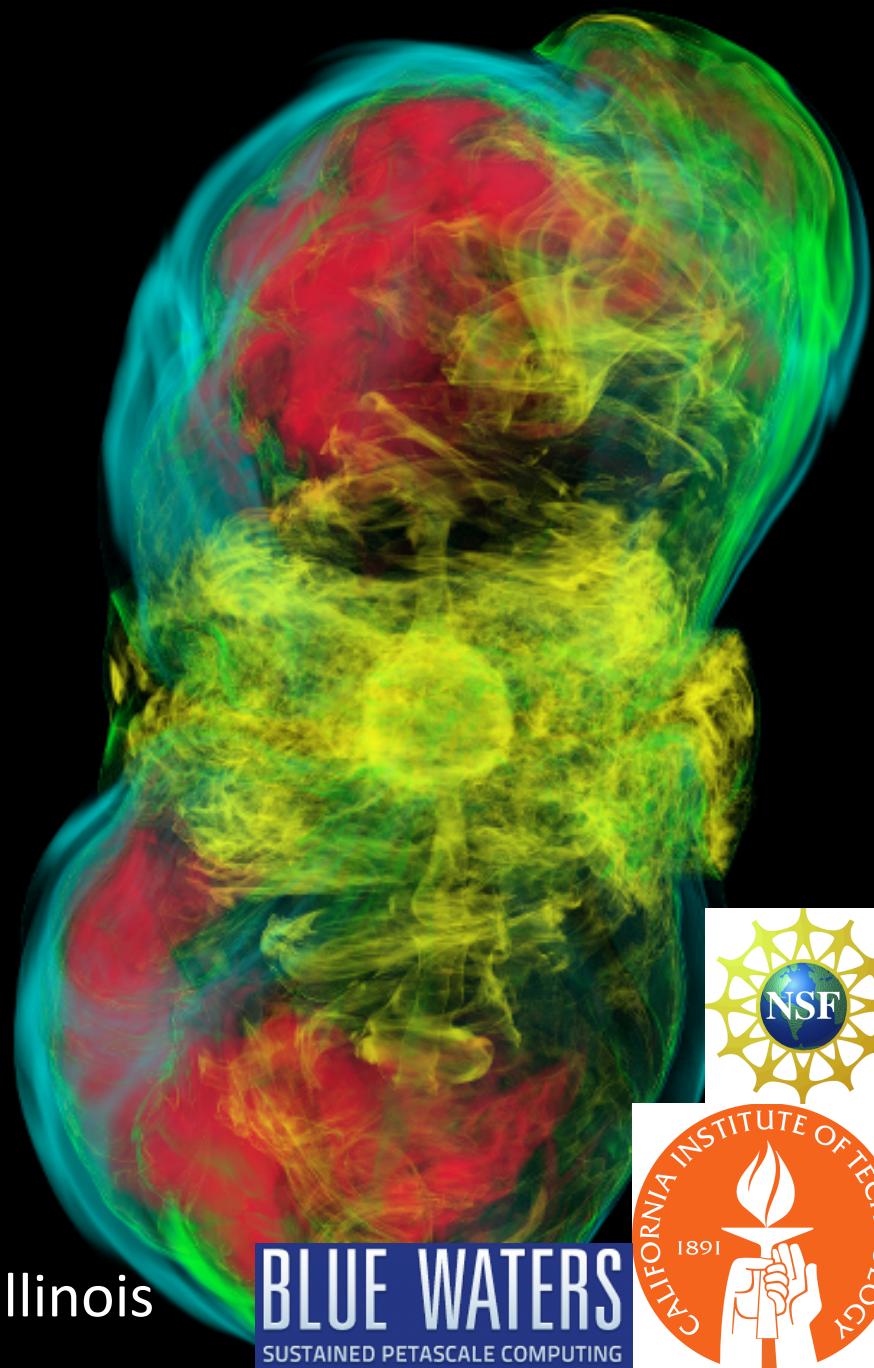
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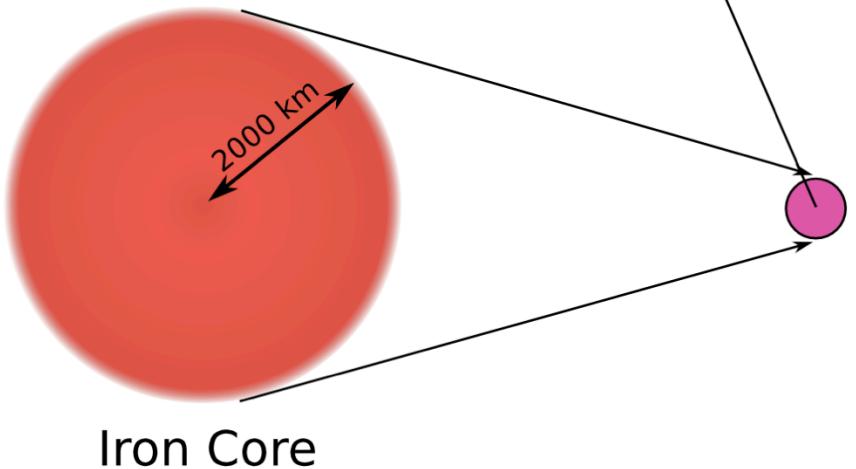
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# Core Collapse Basics

Protoneutron Star,  $R \sim 30$  km



Nuclear equation of state (EOS) stiffens at nuclear density.

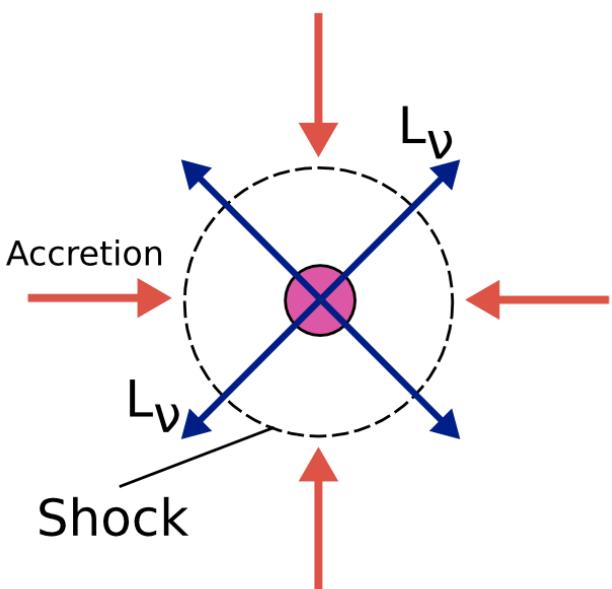
Inner core ( $\sim 0.5 M_{\text{Sun}}$ )

-> **protoneutron star** core.

**Shock wave** formed.

Outer core accretes onto shock & protoneutron star with  $O(1) M_{\odot}/\text{s}$ .

-> **Shock stalls at  $\sim 100$  km, must be “revived” to drive explosion.**



**Reviews:**  
Bethe'90  
Janka+'12

# Hyperenergetic Supernovae

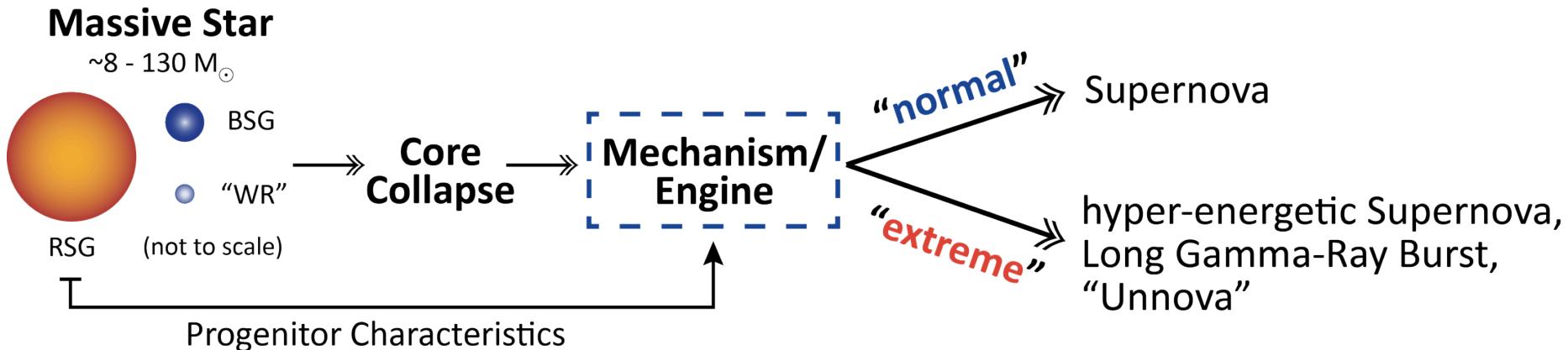
Small fraction ( $\sim 0.1\%$ )  
of CCSN:

- hyperenergetic
- doppler-broadened lines (Type Ic-bl)
- Relativistic outflows
- Some connected to long gamma-ray bursts



Supernova 1998bw  
Image Credit: ESO

# Hypernovae & GRBs



- 11 long GRB – core-collapse supernova associations.
- **All GRB-SNe are of type “Ic-bl”:** no H, He in spectra, relativistic velocities (bl: “broad lines”), hypernova energies ( $\sim 10^{52}$  erg).
- Neutrino mechanism is inefficient ( $\eta \sim 10\%$ ); can’t deliver a hypernova.
- What mechanism drives these extreme explosions?

# Magnetorotational Mechanism

[LeBlanc & Wilson '70, Bisnovatyi-Kogan '70, Obergaulinger+'06, Burrows+ '07, Takiwaki & Kotake '11, Winteler+ 12]



Burrows+'07

**Rapid Rotation + B-field amplification**  
(need magnetorotational instability [MRI];  
difficult to resolve, but see, e.g,  
Obergaulinger+'09)

**2D: Energetic bipolar explosions.**  
Energy in rotation up to  $10B$ .

Results in ms-period proto-magnetar.  
GRB connection?

**Caveats:** Need high core spin; only in  
very few progenitor stars? Magnetic field  
amplification?



# Computational challenge

**Core-collapse supernovae pose a multi-scale,  
multi-dimensional, multi-physics problem:**

- General Relativity, magnetohydrodynamics, nuclear equation of state, neutrino transport, neutrino/nuclear interactions
- turbulence (e.g. MRI) on scales  $10^3$  cm but radius of relevant stellar interior is  $10^9$  cm
- Courant-limited timestep is  $10^{-6}$  s but cooling time of protoneutron star is 10 s
- 3 spatial, 3 momentum (neutrinos) space dimensions + 1 time dimension
- Need full 3D (turbulence, instabilities)



# New 3D Simulations

- Open-source simulation code based on **Einstein Toolkit** ([einstein toolkit.org](http://einstein toolkit.org)) [Moesta+'14].
- Full 3D general relativity (GR).
- Ideal GR magneto-hydrodynamics with detailed nuclear equation of state (LS220) and neutrino heating/cooling via Leakage scheme [O'Connor+'10, Ott+'12].
- $\text{div } \mathbf{B} = 0$  via constrained transport.
- 9 levels of adaptive mesh refinement.  
6 TB runtime memory.  
500 TB simulation output.
- Simulation on ~20k compute cores on NSF Blue Waters at NCSA/Illinois.



# 3D Dynamics of Magnetorotational Explosions

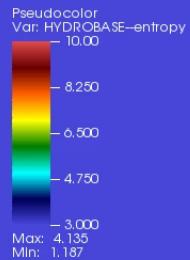
New, full 3D GR simulations. **Mösta+ 2014**, ApJ 759, L24

Initial configuration as in Takiwaki+11,  $10^{12}$  G seed field.



← 2000 km →

$\dagger = -3.00$  ms



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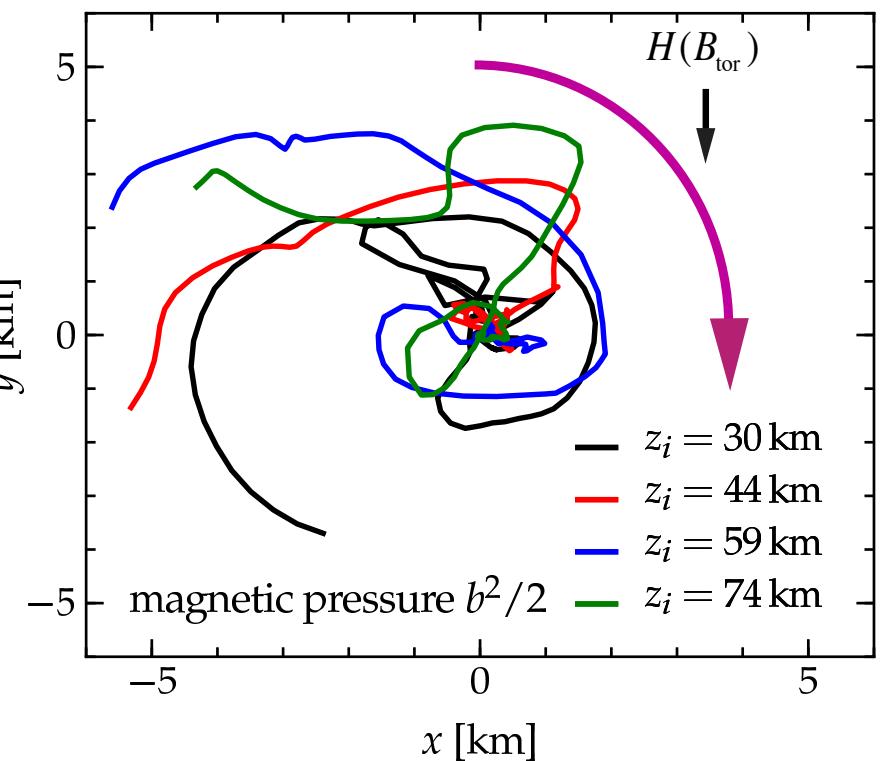
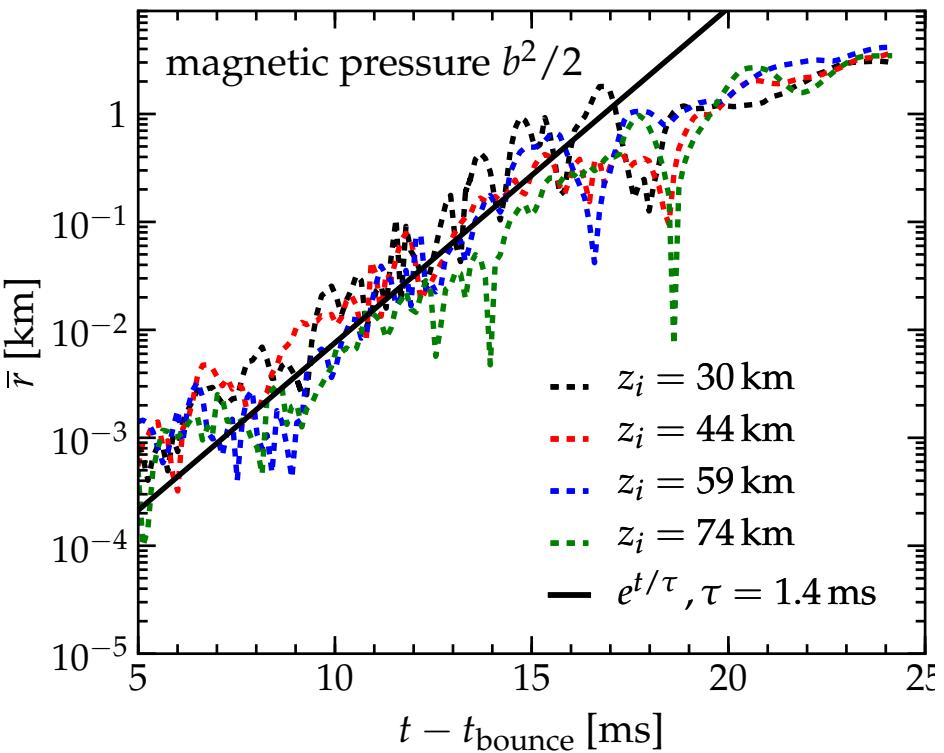
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Octant Symmetry (no odd modes)

Full 3D

# What's going on here?

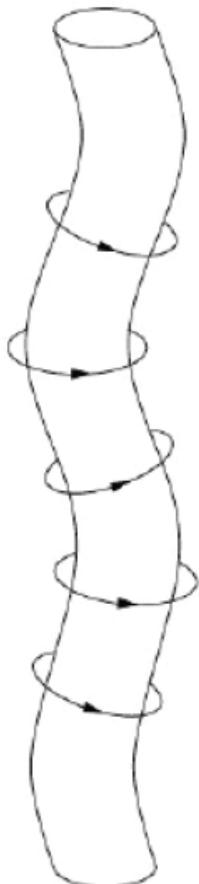


- $m=1$  spiral instability
- Growth rate, wavelength and helicity of fastest growing mode consistent with MHD kink instability; should hold independent of initial B-field strength

$$\tau_{\text{fgm}} \approx \frac{4a\sqrt{\pi\rho}}{B_{\text{tor}}} \approx 1 \text{ ms}$$

$$\lambda_{\text{fgm}} \approx \frac{4\pi a B_z}{B_{\text{tor}}} \approx 5 \text{ km}$$

# MHD Kink Instability

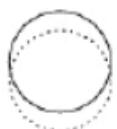


**3D: Plasma flow unstable to  
MHD “kink” instability  
(as seen in laboratories in Tokamak  
fusion reactors!)**

**Key for instability:**  $B_{\text{tor}}/B_z > 2\pi a/L$

[Shafranov+'56, Kruskal+'58]

$$\nabla(p + \frac{B^2}{8\pi}) = \frac{1}{4\pi}(B \cdot \nabla)B$$



- Magnetic pressure driven
- cannot be countered by magnetic tension



# Entropy

Mösta et al. 2014



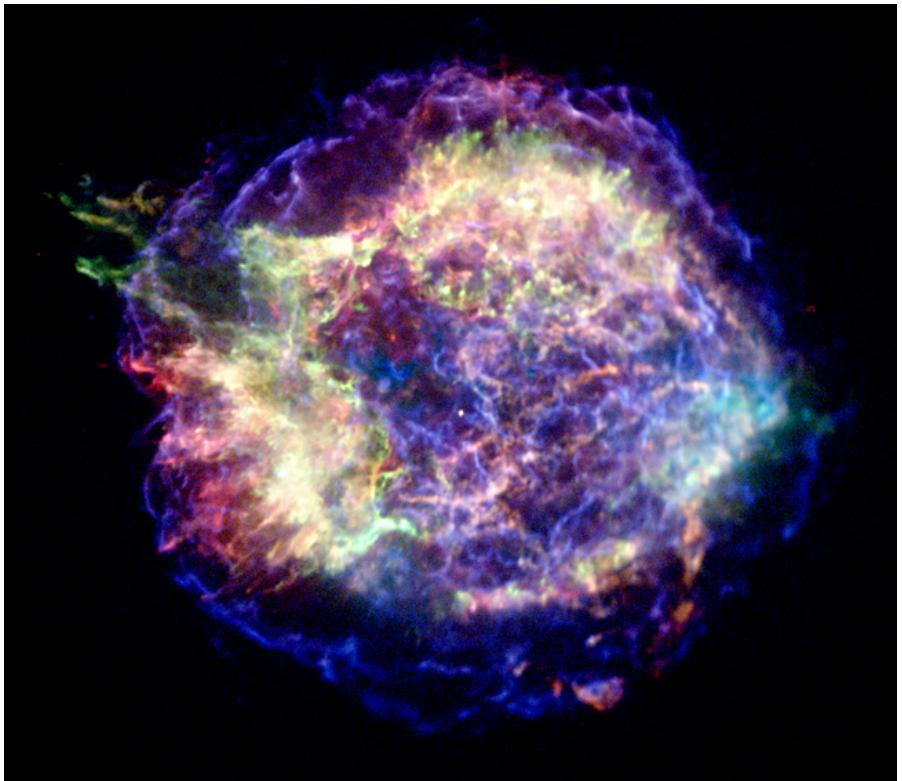
## 3D Volume Visualization of

$t = -4.95 \text{ ms}$

$$\beta = \frac{P_{\text{gas}}}{P_{\text{mag}}}$$

**Mösta et al. 2014**

# Connection to Observations



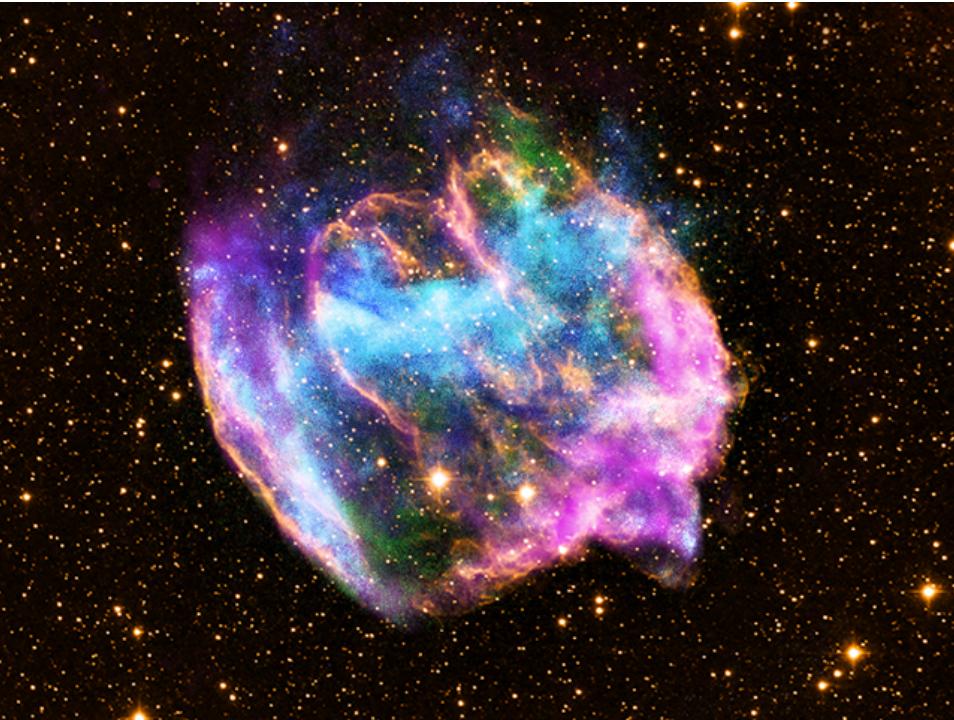
Cassiopeia A Supernova Remnant  
Image Credit: NASA.

$$Y_e \sim 0.1 - 0.2 \quad s \sim 10 - 15 \text{ k}_b \text{baryon}^{-1}$$
$$\beta \sim 0.01 - 0.1 \quad \text{underdense}$$

- Highly magnetized outflows show plausible conditions for creation of neutron-rich heavy elements, possibly r-process.
- May explain observed asymmetries in SNR also for rotating progenitors (recent NuStar observations).
- Explosion?

# Implications for Gamma-Ray Bursts

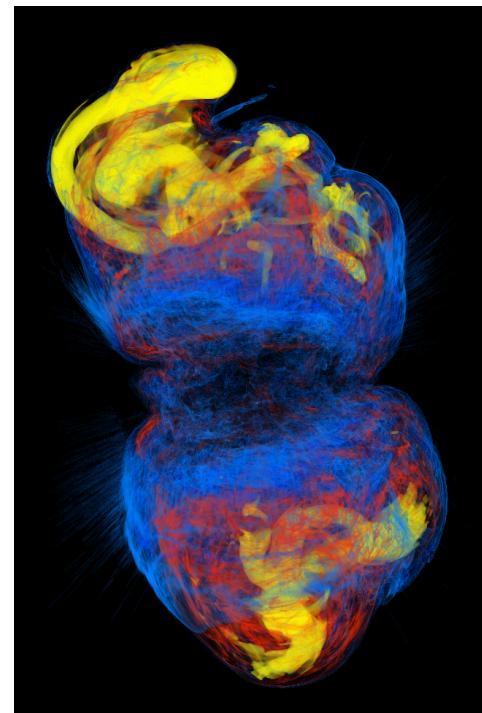
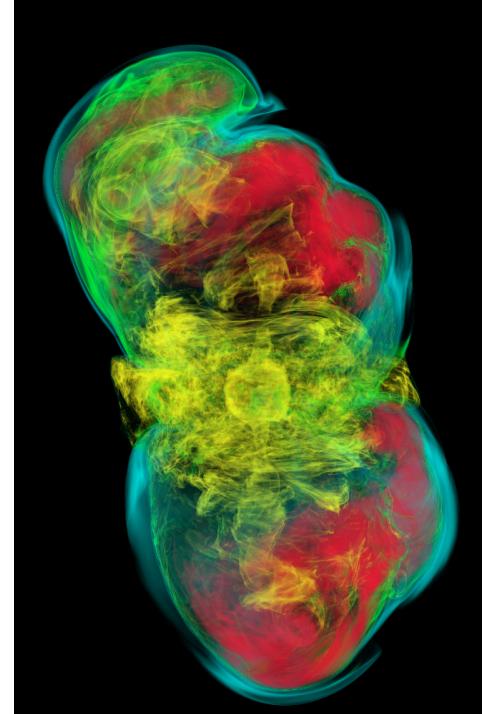
- Long gamma-ray bursts come with extreme supernovae.
- Central engine of GRB: black hole or neutron star?
- Simulations show: continued accretion on the equator in supernova phase.
- Favors formation of black-hole engine (collapsar).



Supernova remnant W49B; harboring a black hole? (Lopez+2013)

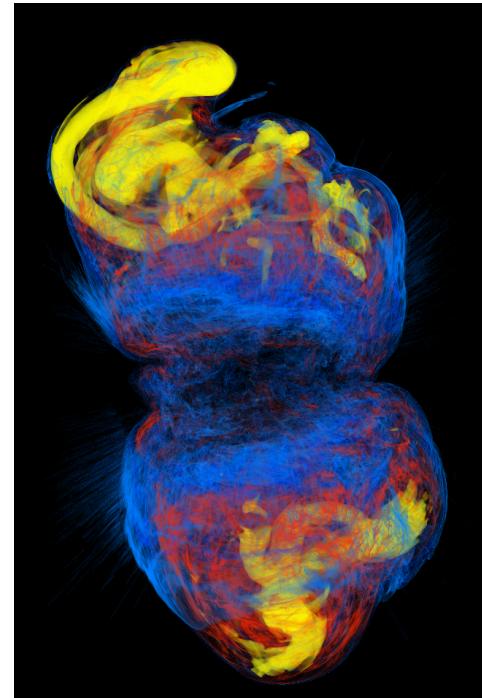
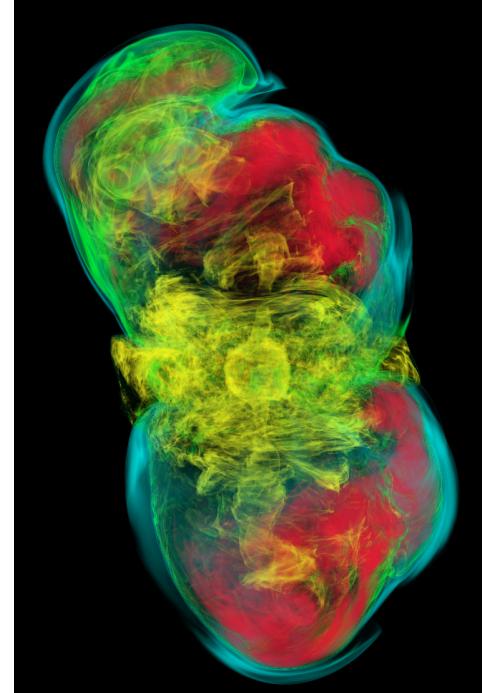
# Summary

- We are using BlueWaters for full 3D core-collapse supernova simulations
- Developing jet becomes ‘kink’-unstable and is disrupted
- Highly magnetized outflows drive shock into dual-lobe structure
- Accretion continues -> favors collapsar long gamma-ray burst engine
- Asymmetries may explain off-(jet-)axis ejecta elements for rapidly spinning progenitors (-> NuStar  $^{44}\text{Ti}$  mapping in CasA)



# Future

- Longer simulations
- Tracer particles and nucleosynthesis
- Gravitational waves
- Progenitor parameter dependence
- Full star simulations -> True Petascale challenge



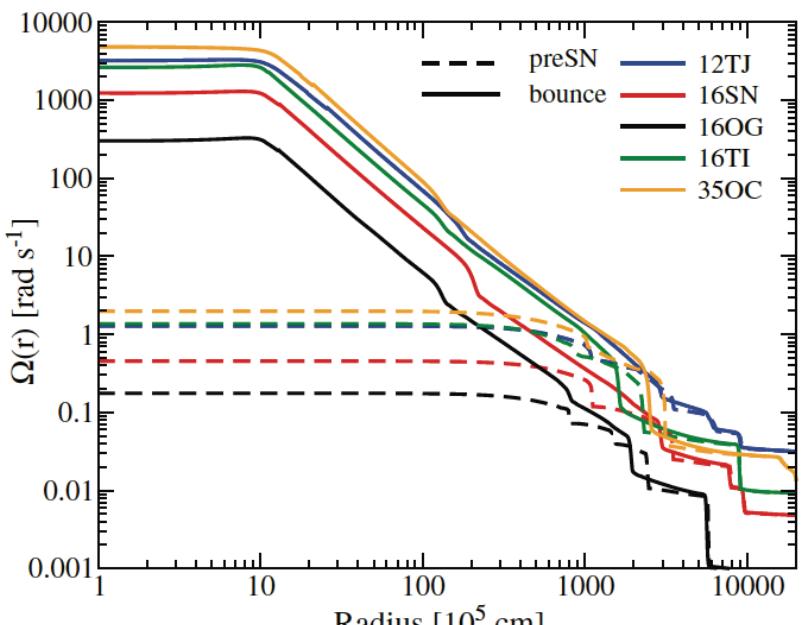
# Initial Conditions

- E25 ( $25M_{\text{sun}}$  ZAMS) progenitor (Heger+’00), stripped-envelope Wolf-Rayet type star
- Strong differential rotation; precollapse spin period 2.25s -> millisecond rotation of protoneutron star

$$\Omega(x, z) = \Omega_0 \frac{x_0^2}{x^2 + x_0^2} \frac{z_0^4}{z^4 + z_0^4}$$

- Strong dipolar magnetic field ( $B_0 = 10^{12}$  G)

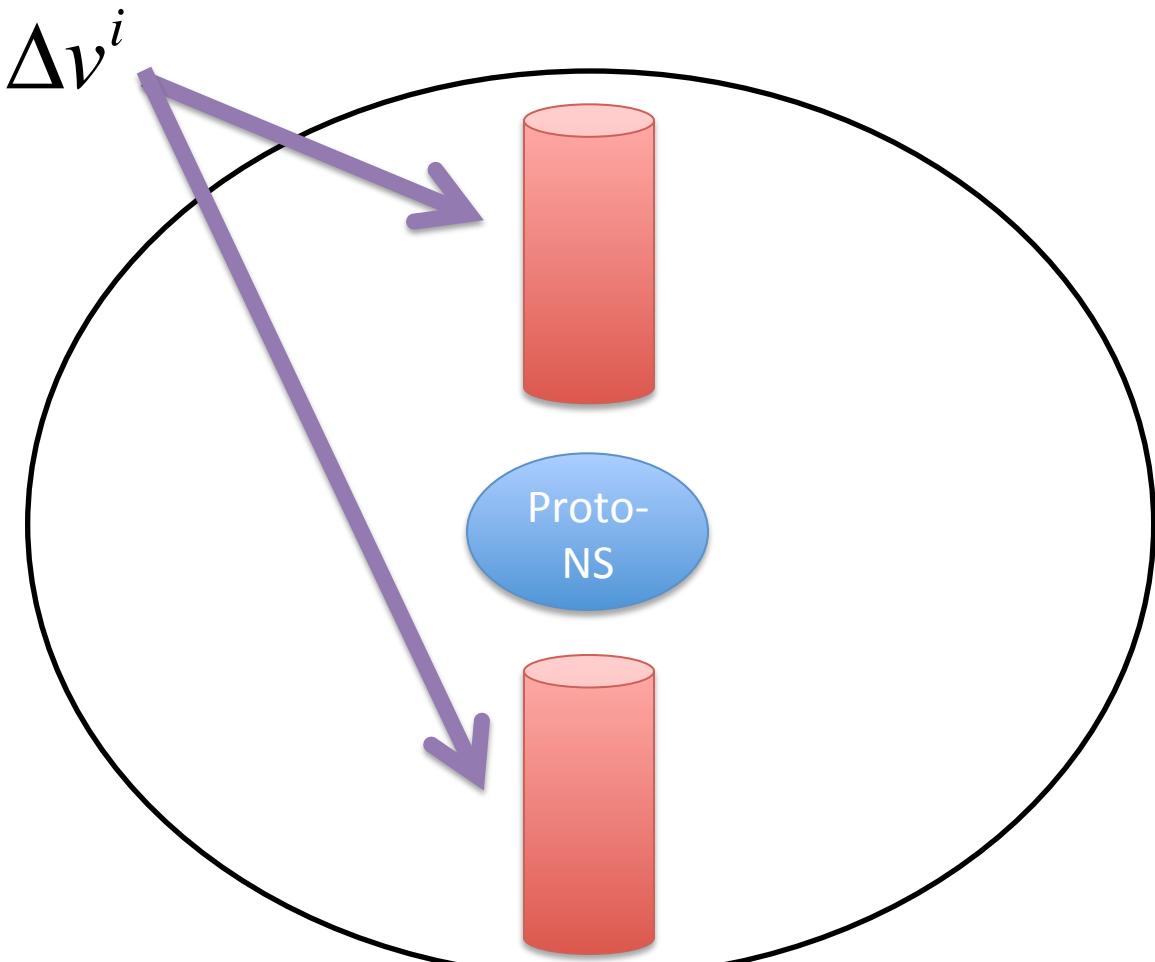
Identical to Takiwaki+11 model B12X5 $\beta$ 0.1



Dessart+’12

# Perturbation Setup

- 1 % amplitude perturbations added 5ms after bounce.
- Perturbations outside protoneutron star-> disentangle multiple instabilities (e.g. low-T/|W|, SASI).
- Unperturbed run -> jet explosion



Standing accretion shock