

The impacts of nuclear-physics uncertainties on heavy-element nucleosynthesis

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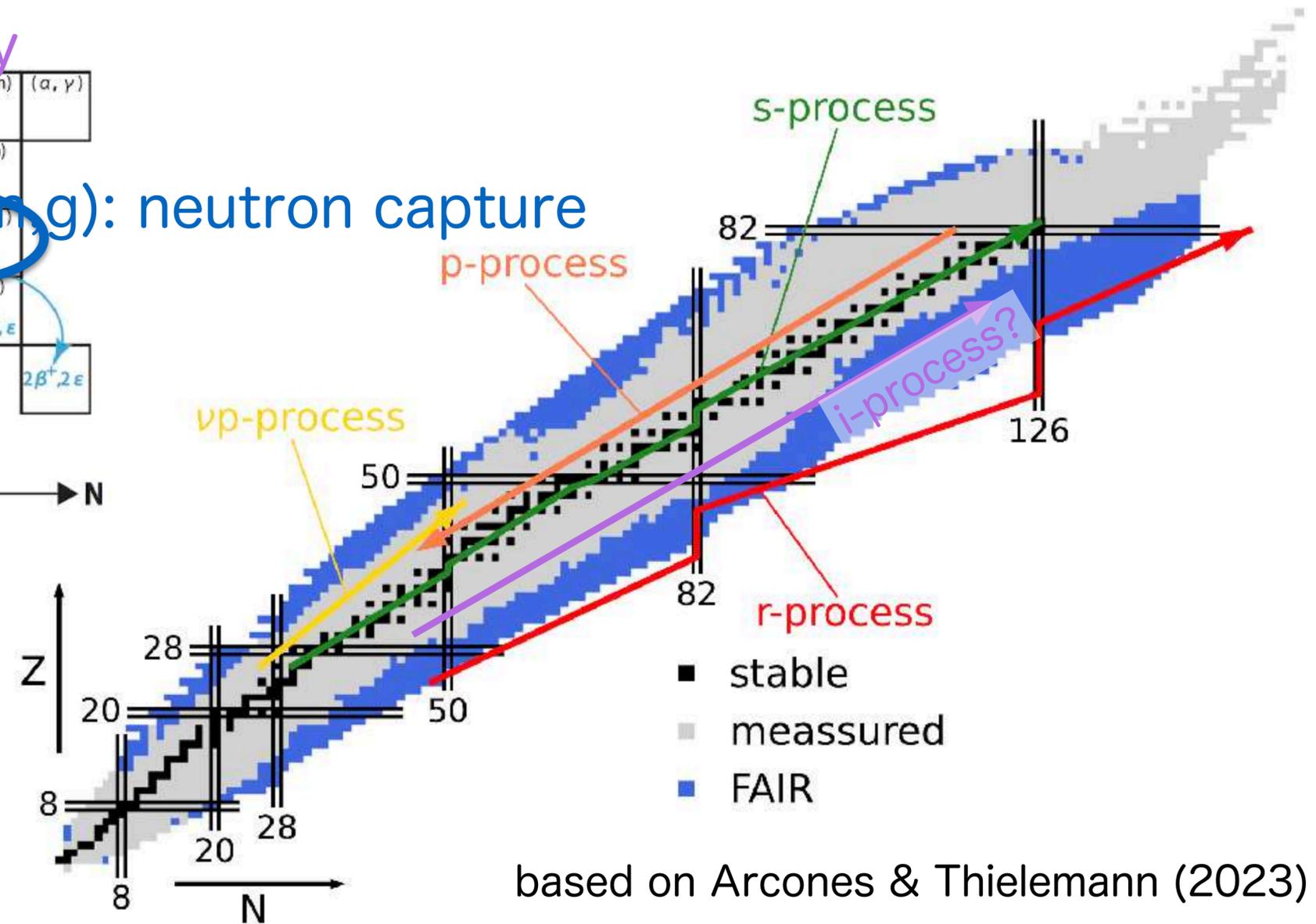
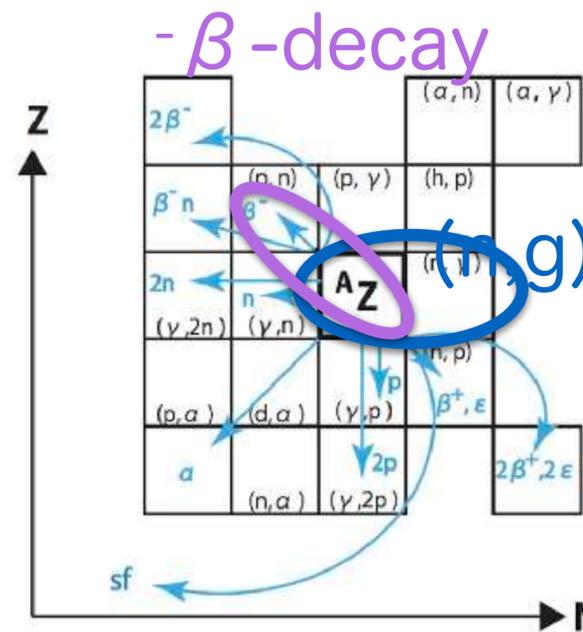
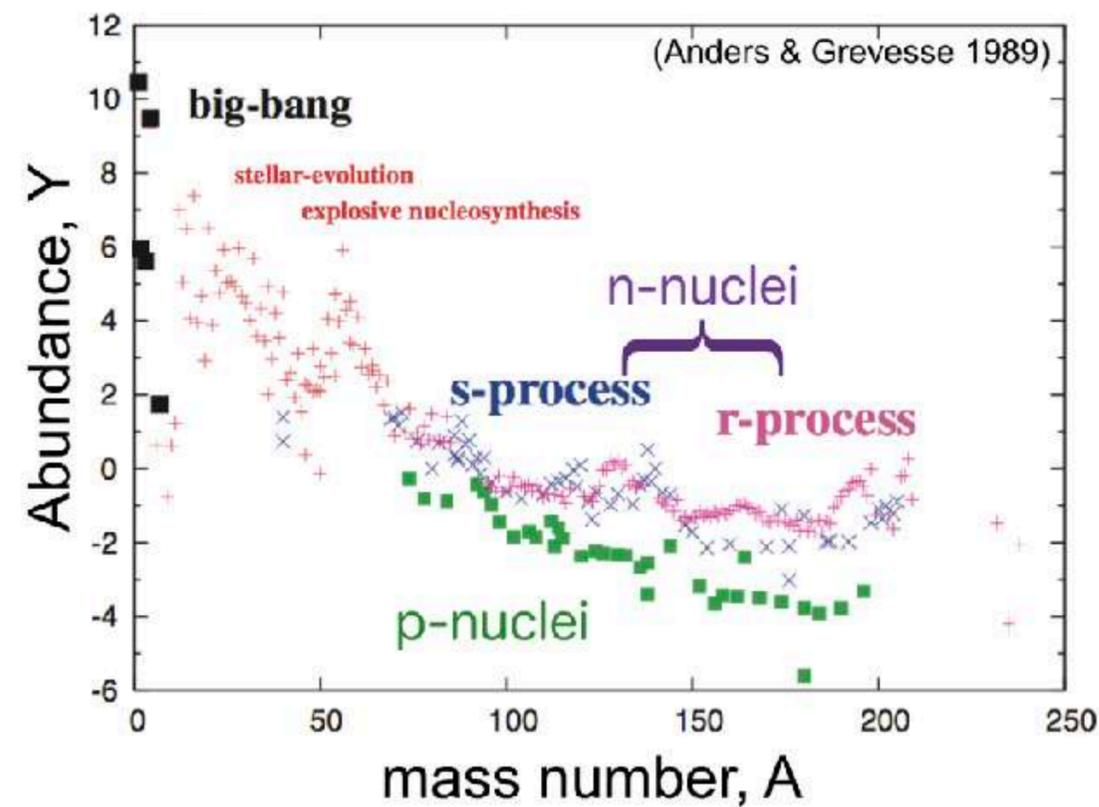
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Cosmic nucleosynthesis beyond Iron

- regular nuclear burnings in stars synthesize elements up to Fe
- trans-Fe, classically 3 classes: s-process, r-process, “p-process”
- each group originates individual nucleosynthesis process
(s/r process, p process (+rp/ ν p process) + subclasses)

solar abundances



Astrophysical r-process sites

core-collapse SNe

Massive stars

($10 > M_{\text{sun}}$)

SN explosion

proto-NS

ν -driven wind

(long time duration)

NS binaries

NS

NS

NS

BH

Merger

- NO direct r-process observation
- **Theoretically difficult**
- not very neutron-rich

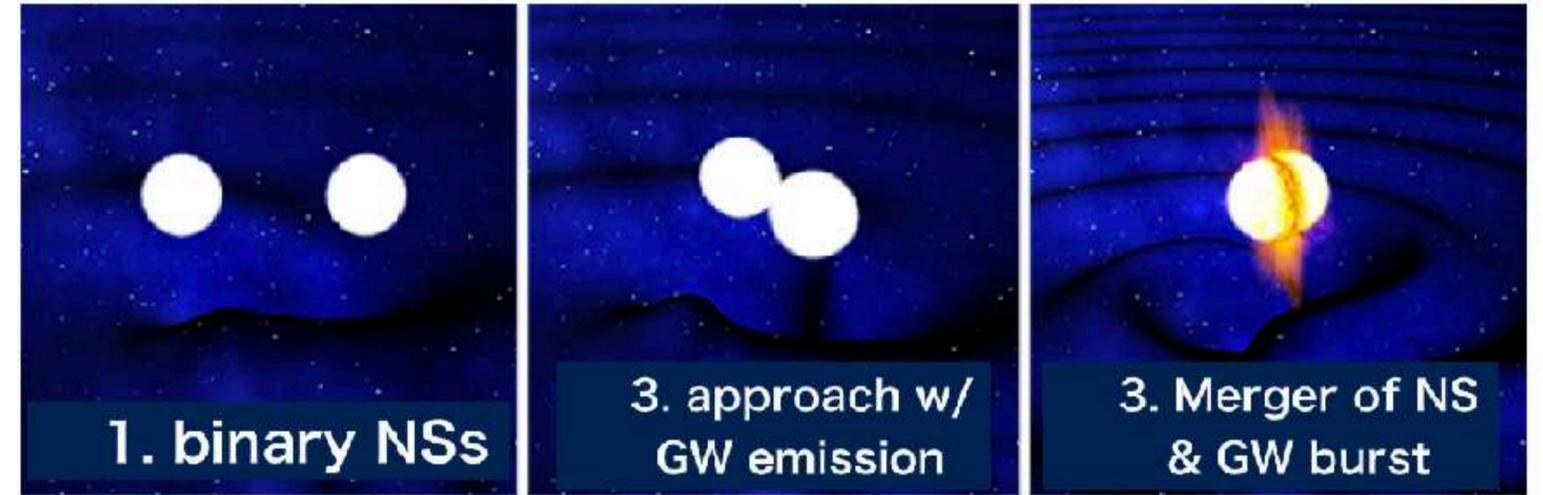
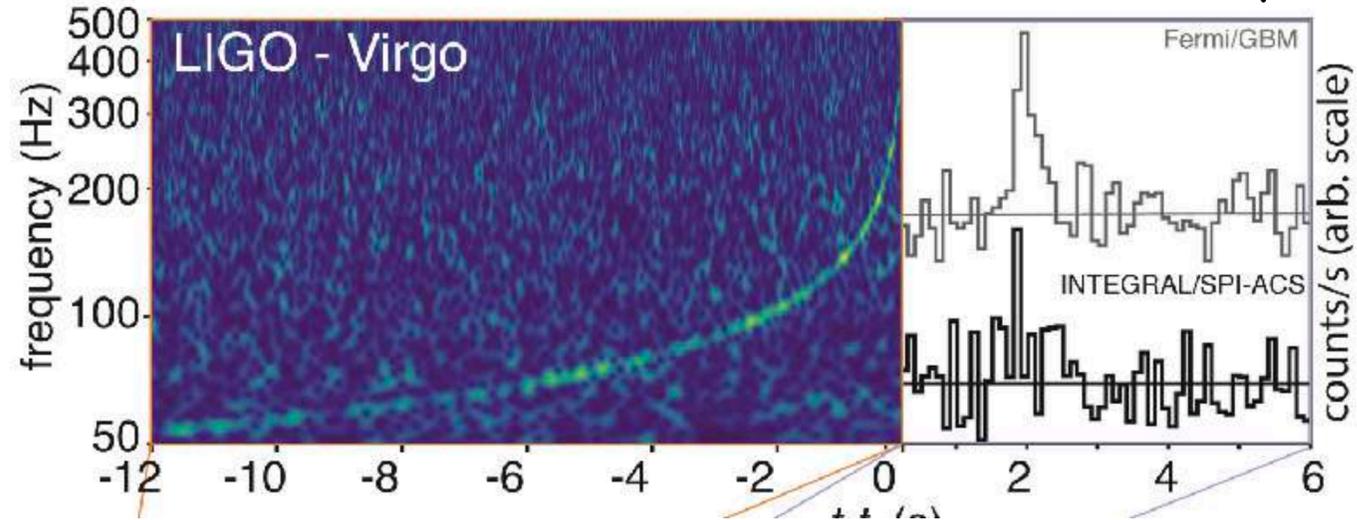
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“Observation” of r-process nucleosynthesis

GW from NS-NS merger

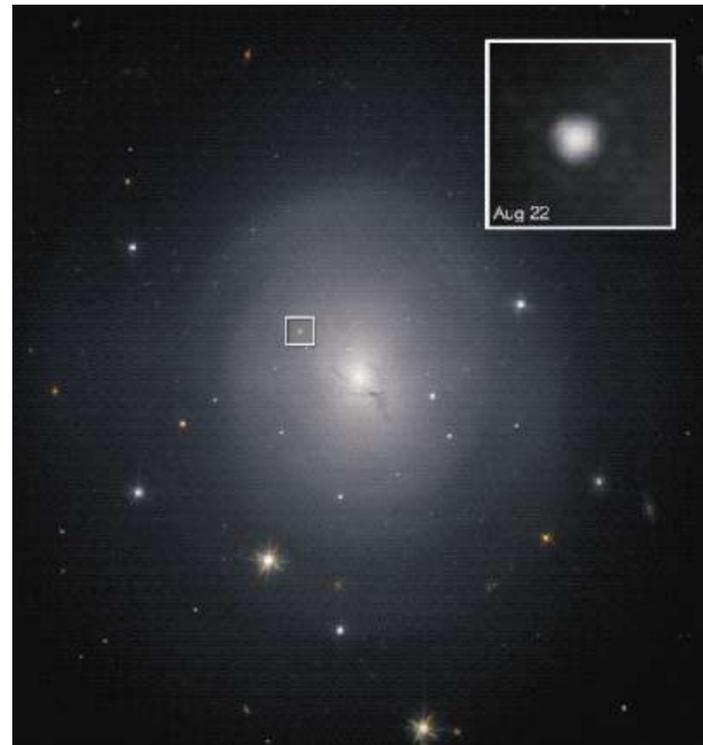
Abbot+(2017)

NS mergers and r-process senario

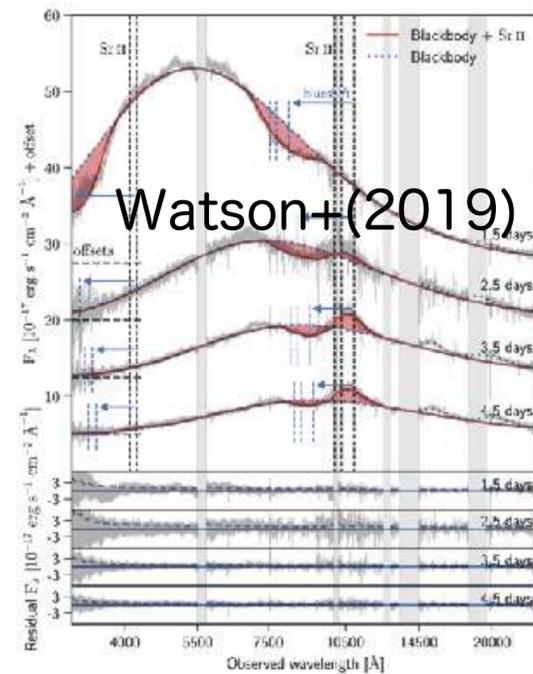


identification of Sr

“kilonova”



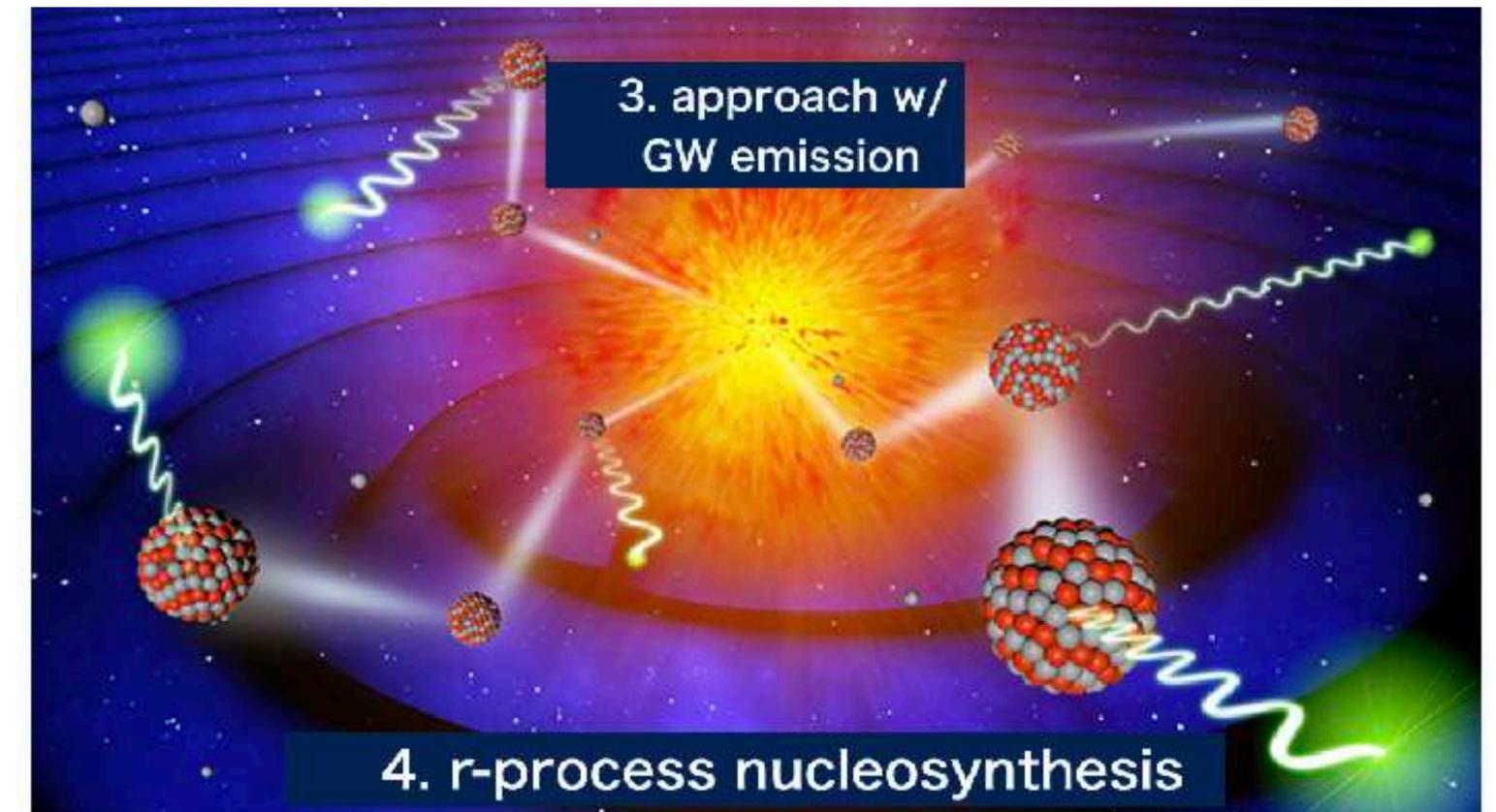
NASA and ESA



Watson+(2019)

and La??

(Domoto+2022)



Talk plan

1. ν p-process in “regular” core-collapse SNe

- Nucleosynthesis in p-rich ejecta: possible solution of “Mo problem”
- Key reactions for the Mo isotope ratio of lighter p-isotopes

2. r-process in “peculiar” core-collapse SNe

- Background: magneto-rotational cc-SNe
- possibilities of the r-process and observational signature

3. r-process in NS mergers (see also [S. Tanaka's Poster](#))

- Nuclear fission in the NS-merger r-process
- A new method: dynamical fission + post-fission evolution
- impacts of n-emission for n-rich isotopes

1. ν p-process in Core-collapse supernovae

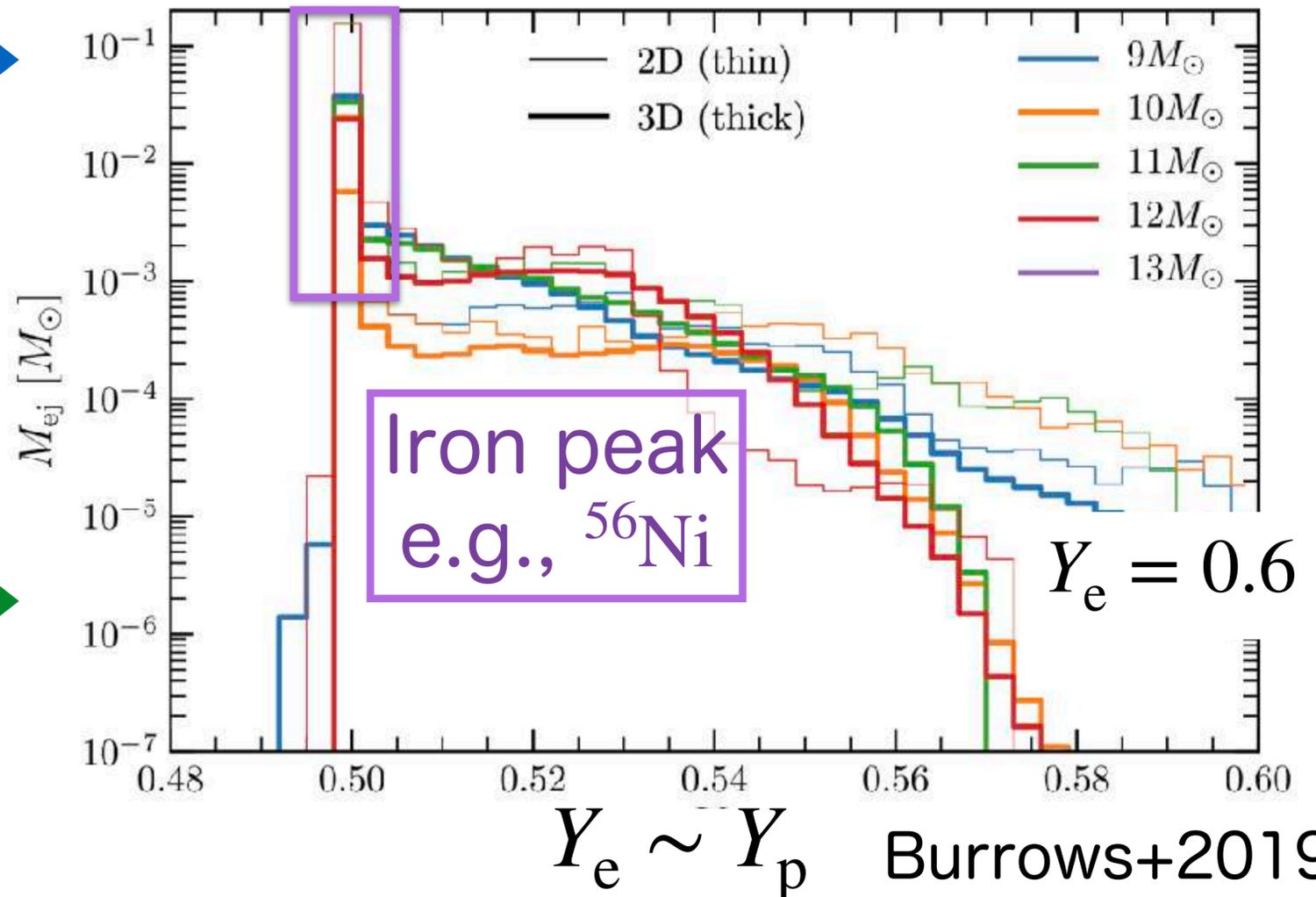
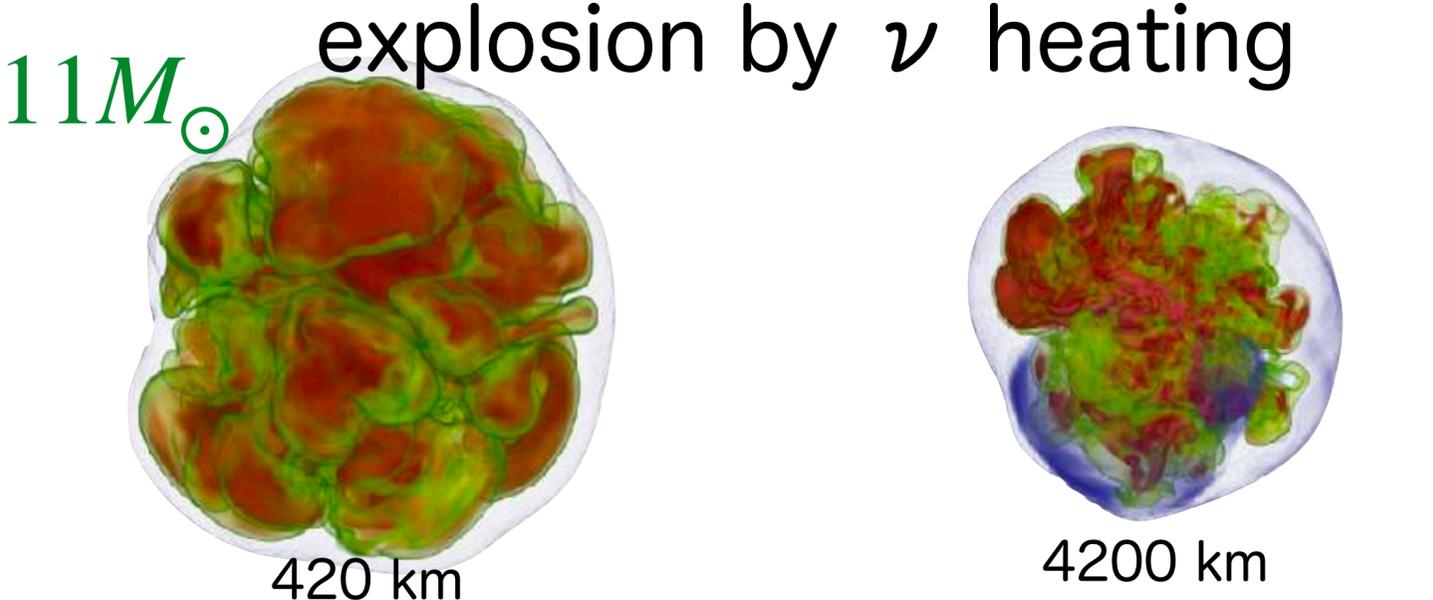
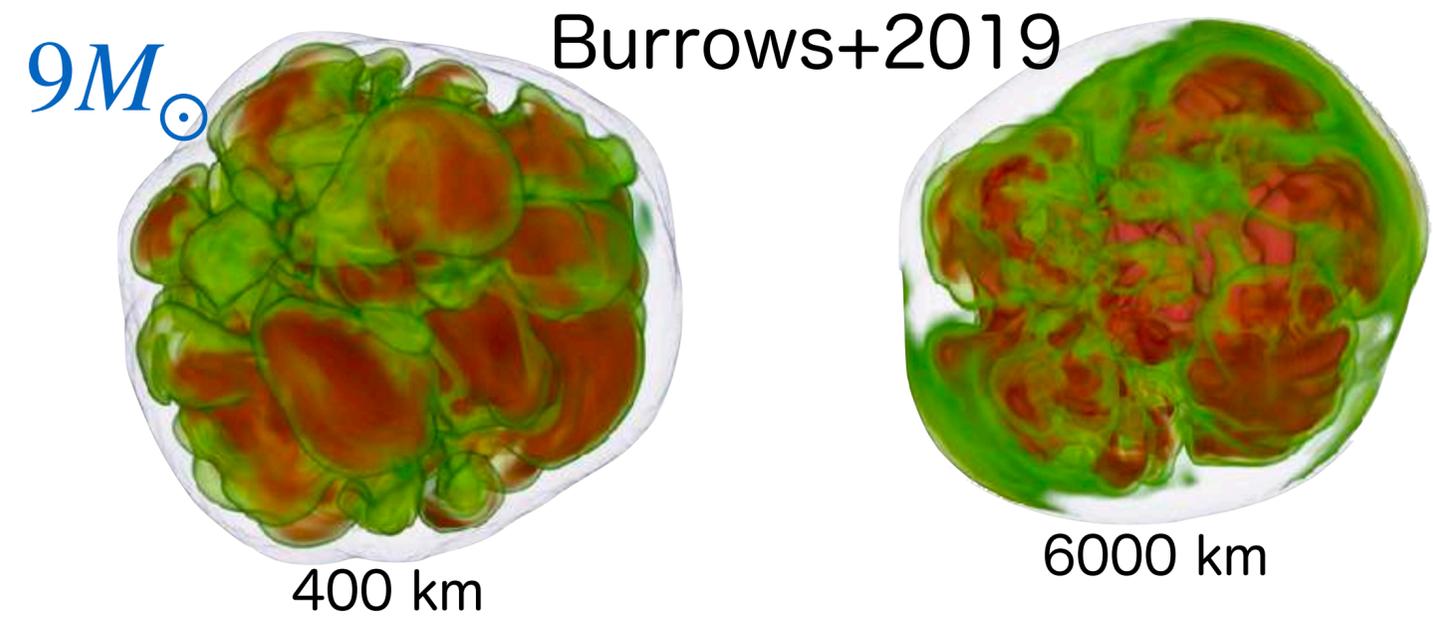
- Rauscher, NN+(2016), MNRAS 463 4153
- NN+(2018), MNRAS 474 3133
- NN+(2019), MNRAS 489 1379

Proton-rich matter in cc-SNe

around the SN core: neutron-rich? \rightarrow NO, due to neutrino heating
 (strong magnetic explosion?, if you want to see the r-process \rightarrow [next topic](#))



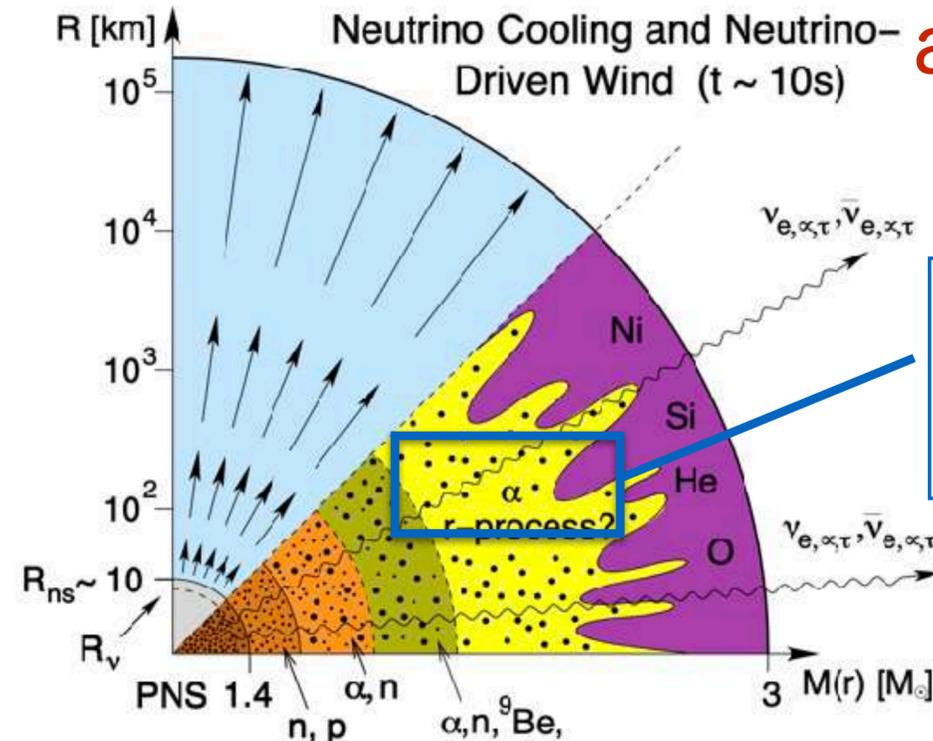
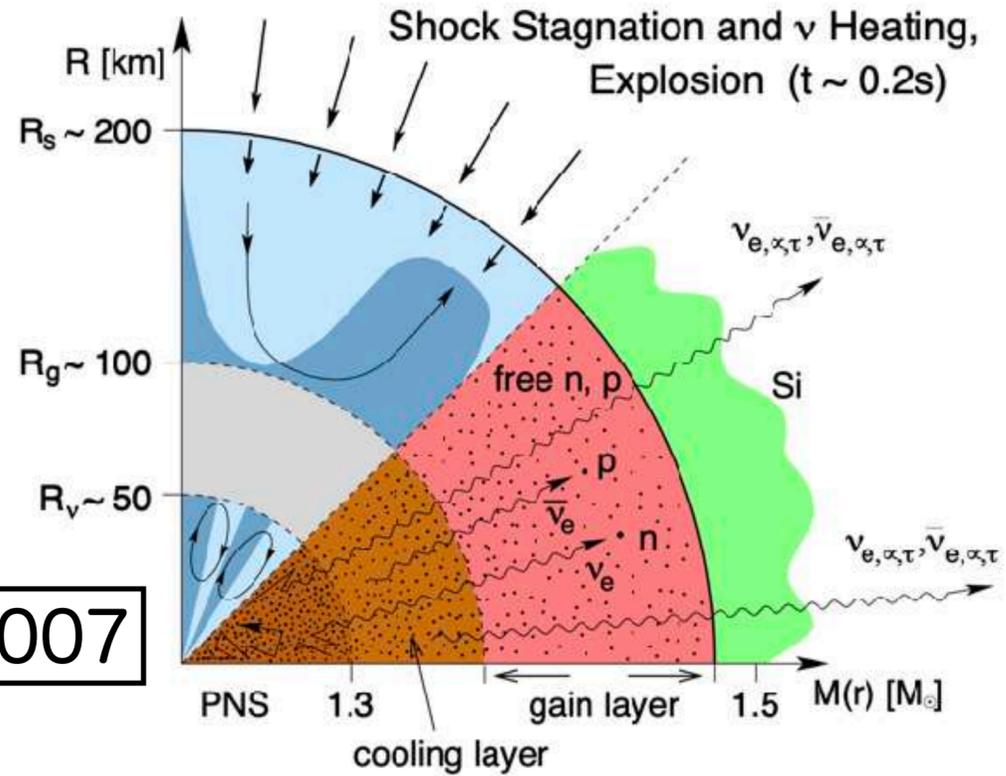
Y_e tail reaches proton-rich?
 can exceed $Y_e = 0.6$
 (several group, e.g., K. Nakamura+)



ν p-process: p-capture accelerated by the ν -reaction

ν heating and explosion

proto-NS cooling
and ν -driven wind



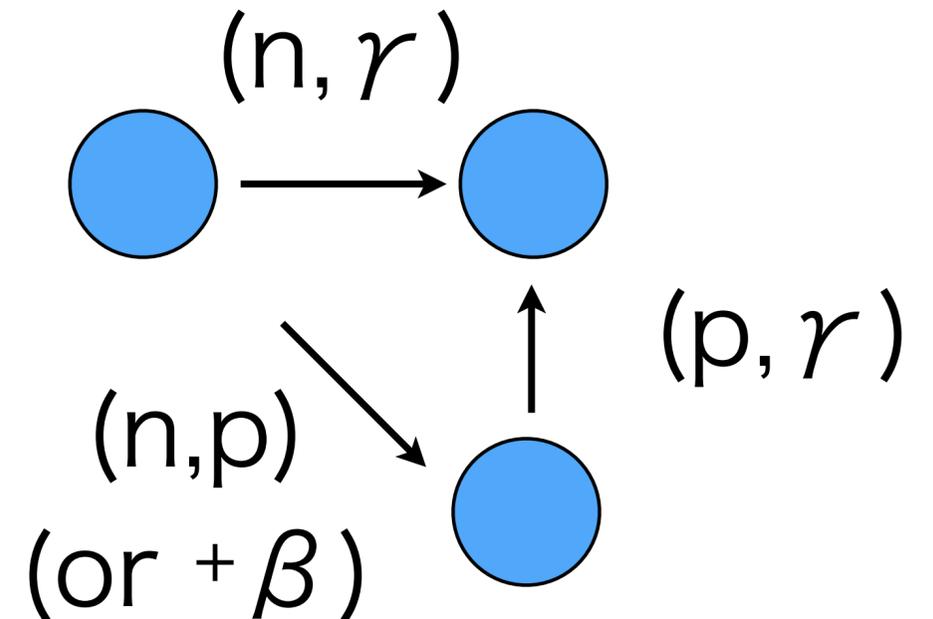
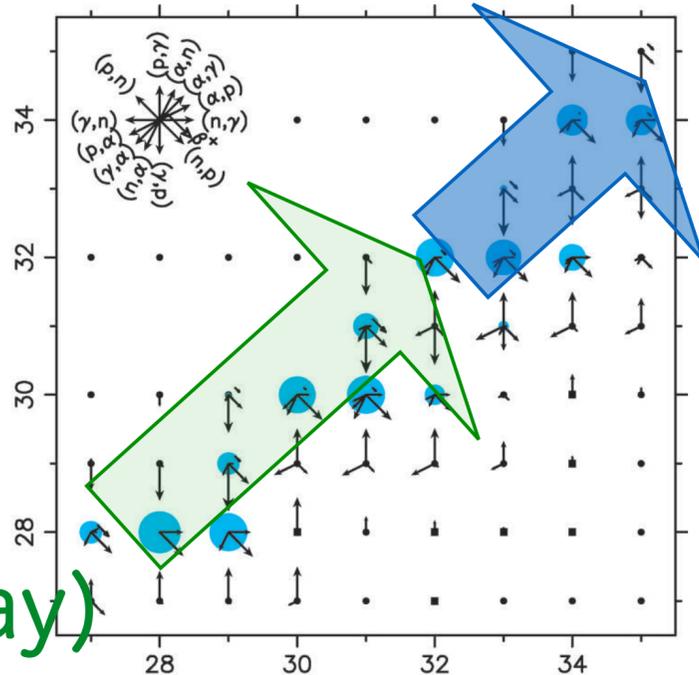
r-process if n-rich
but p-rich conditions?

Janka+2007



- α recombination: initiated by triple- α immediately reaches Fe peak (^{56}Ni)
- sequence of (p,g) and β^+ decay

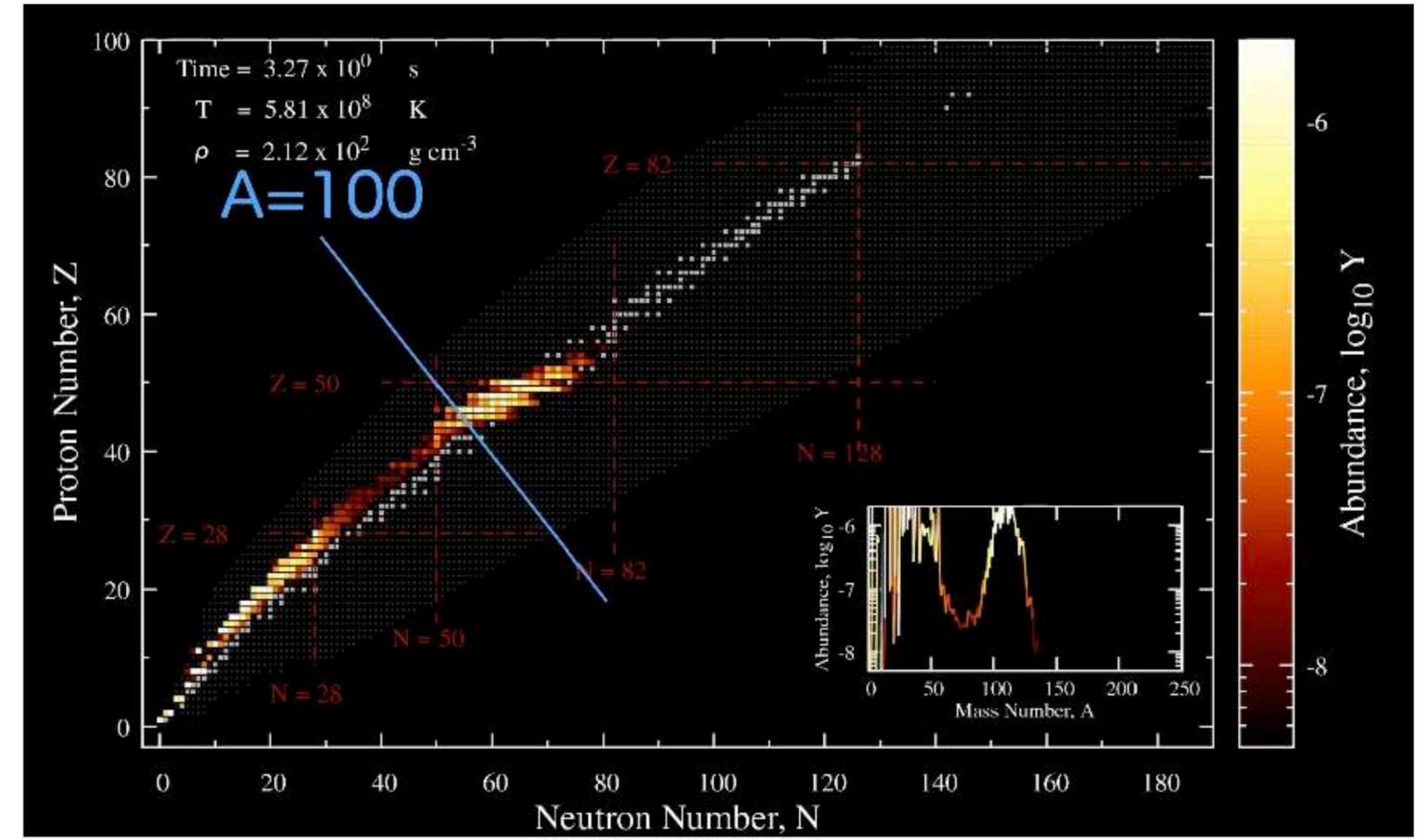
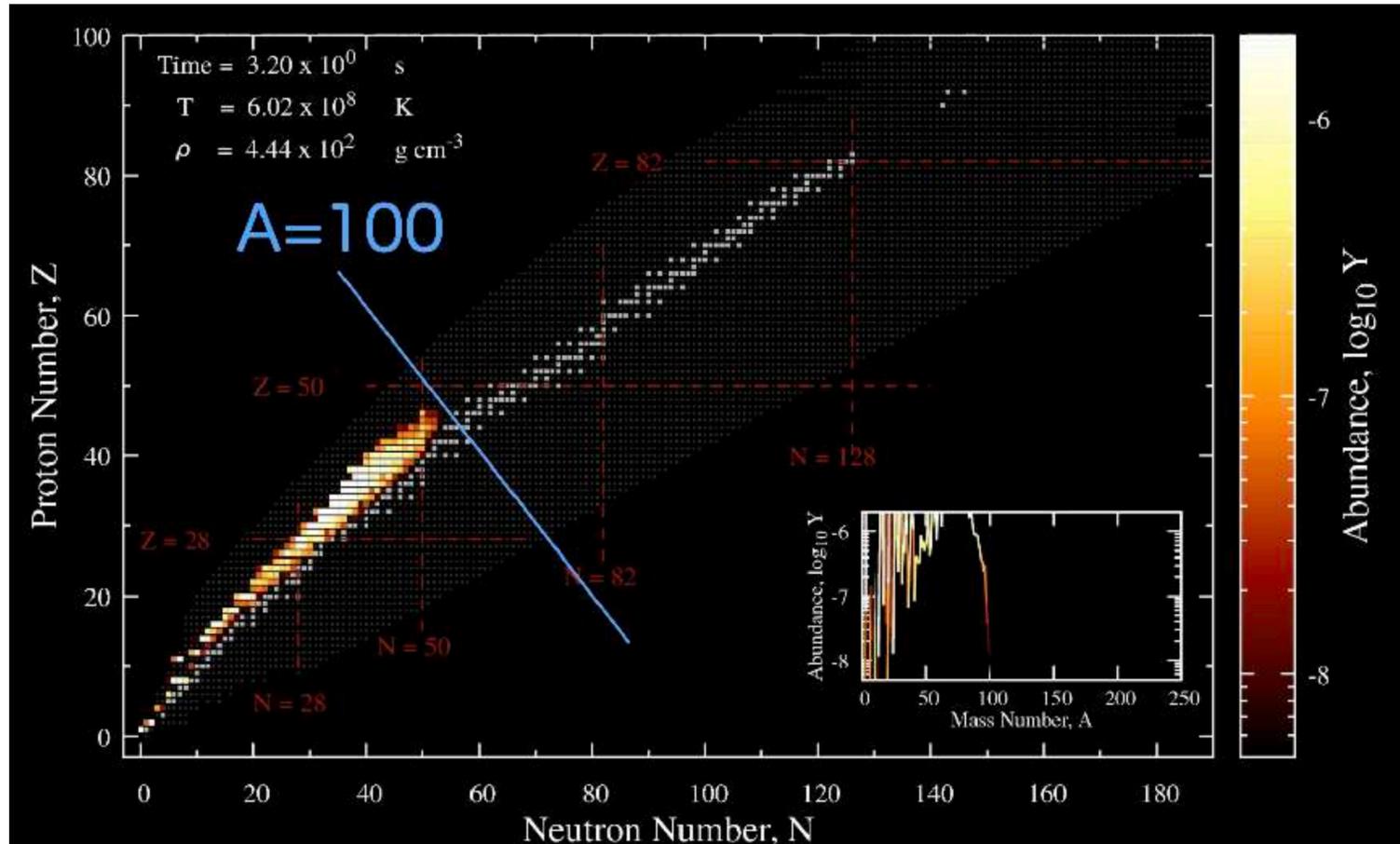
^{64}Ge : half-life ~ 1 min.
explosion time scale $\sim s$
(stalls by waiting β decay)



Nucleosynthesis simulations

ν p-process (“initial” $Y_e \sim 0.6$)

stronger ν p-process (“initial” $Y_e \sim 0.7$)



NN+2019

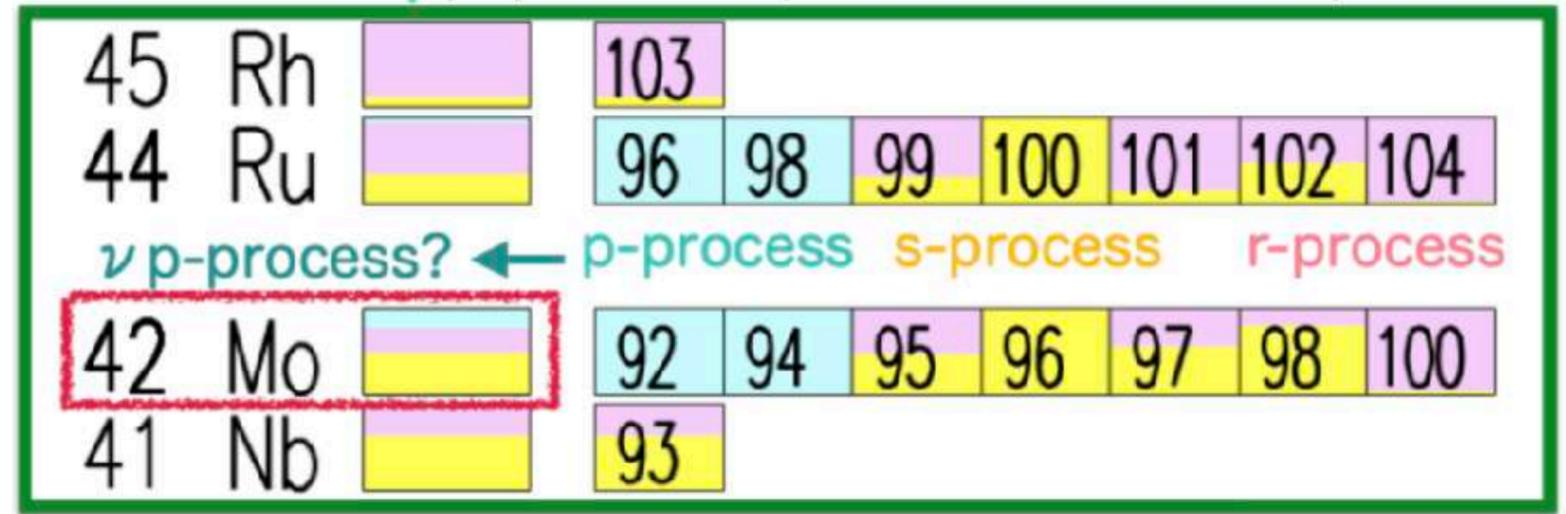
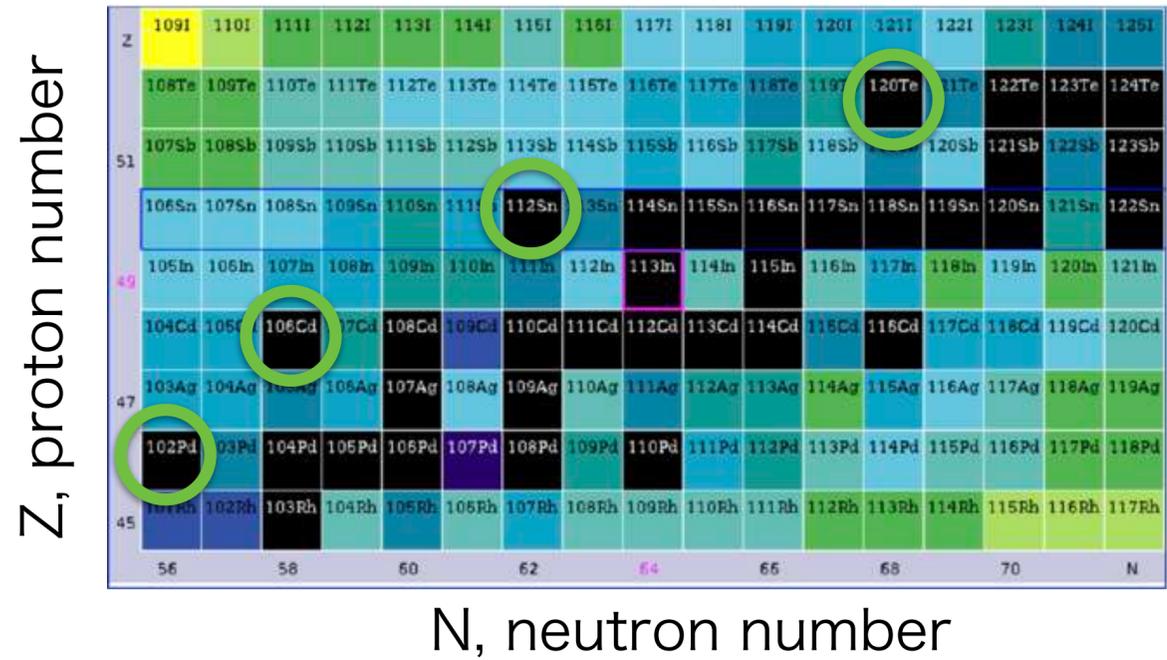
※ 1D wind model with parameters suggested by SN simulations

Can the ν p-process happen in realistic cc-SNe?

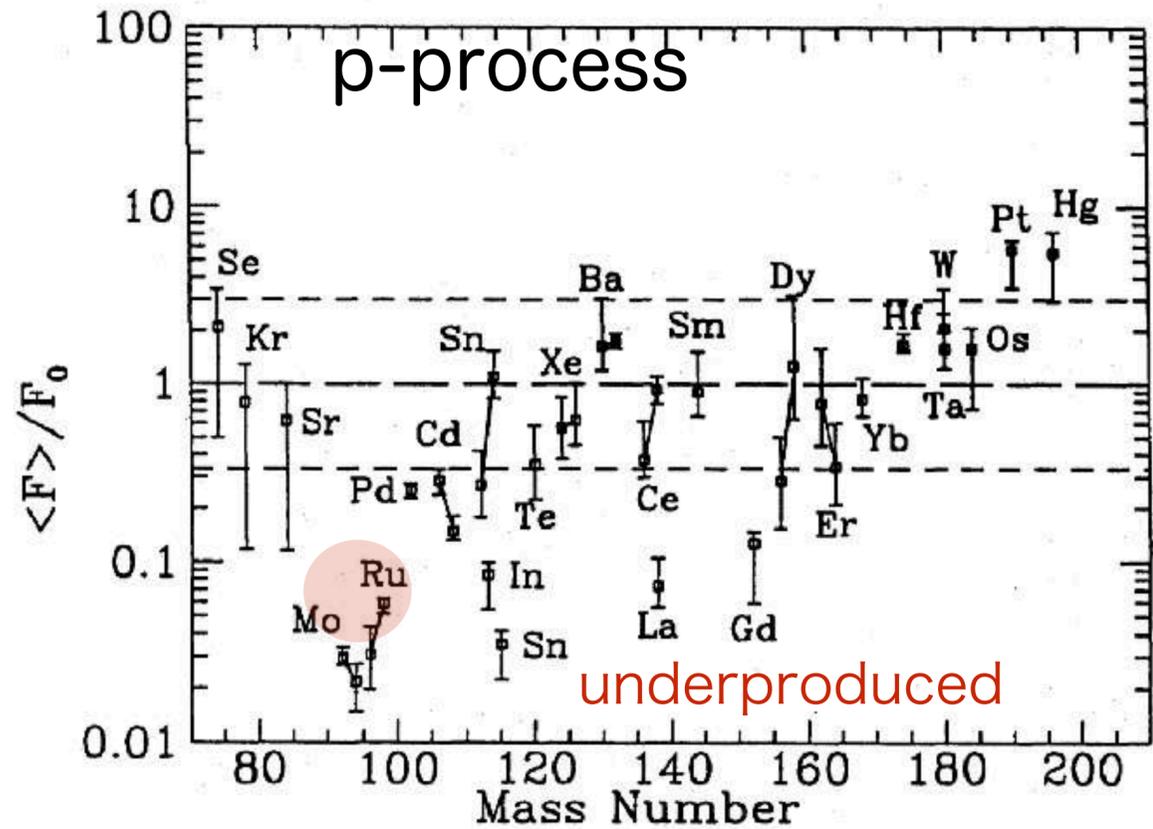
- surely happen, but how far it reaches (heavy nuclei) remains unsolved
- a major source of p-rich nuclei in cc-SNe

“Molybdenum (Mo) problem” (lighter p-nuclei)

35 neutron-deficient isotope

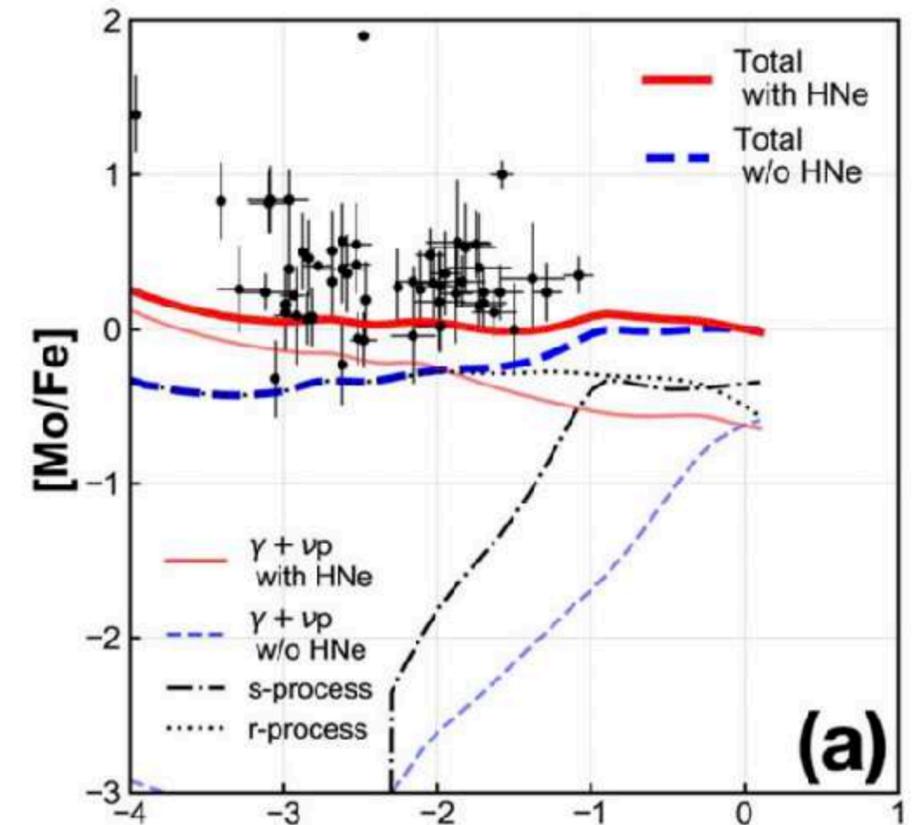


Sasaki+(2022)

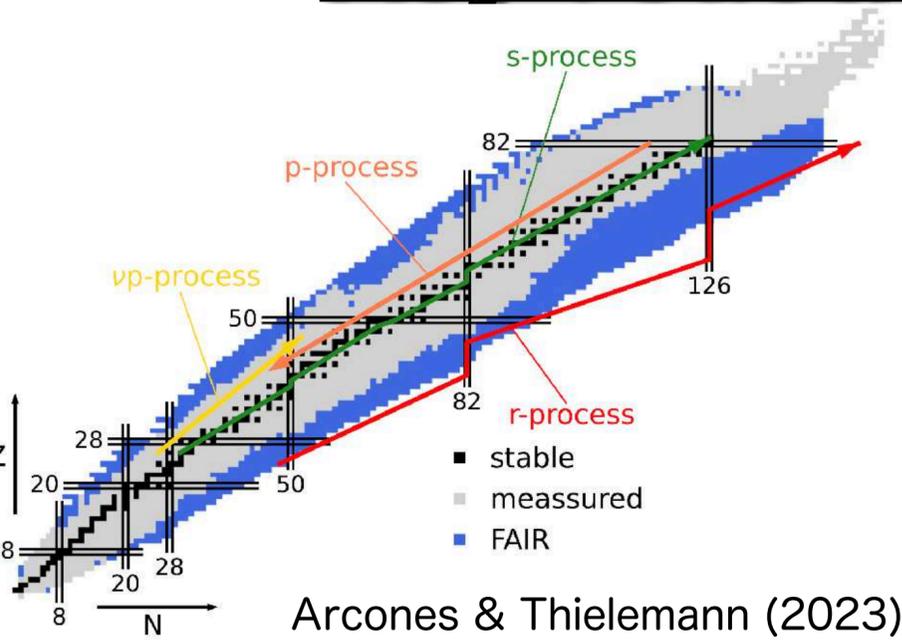


ν p-process
in GCE

(see, Travaglio+2018
for the entire p-nuclei)

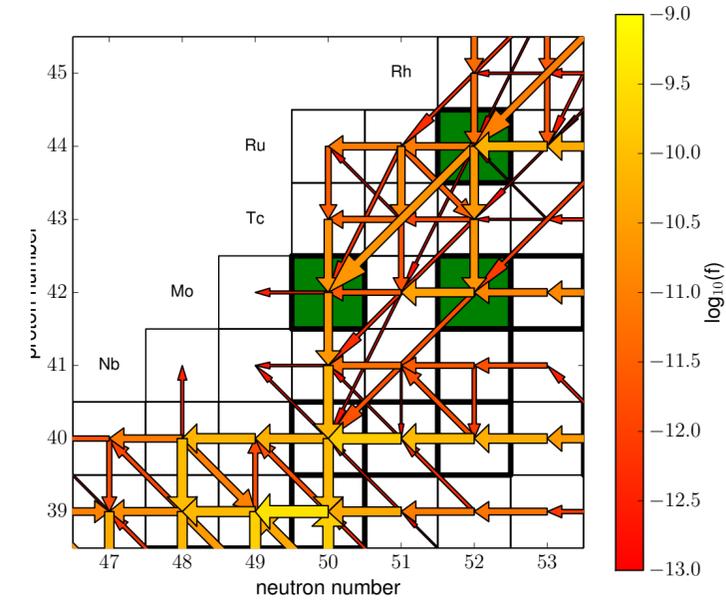
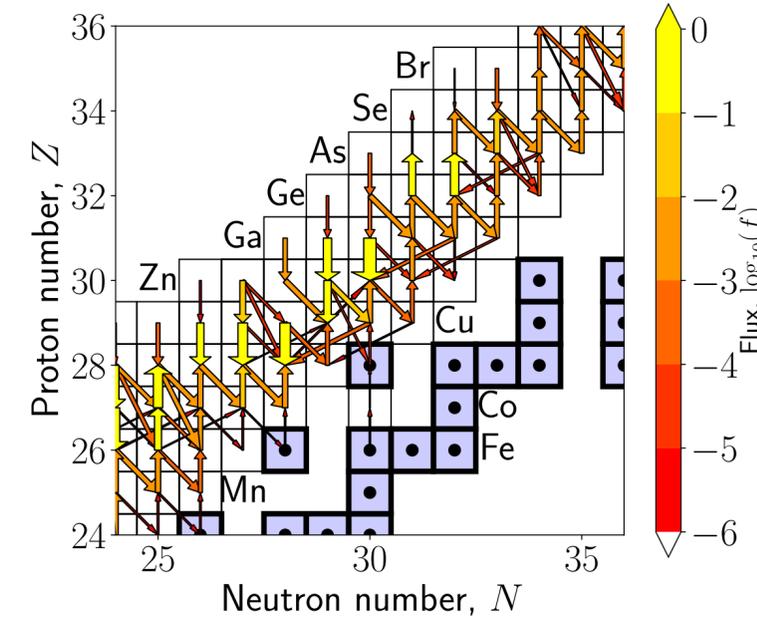
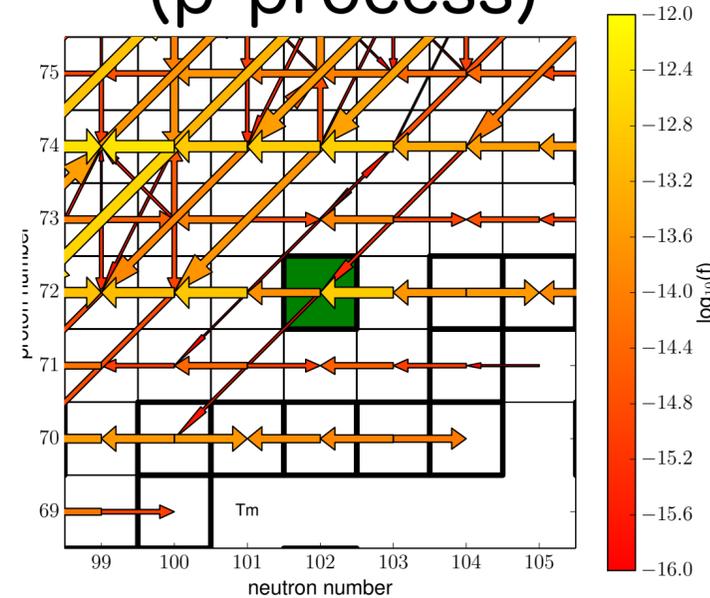


Key reactions in heavy-element nucleosynthesis



reaction “flows” in several nucleosynthesis

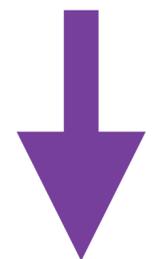
(p-process)



Our approach with

Rauscher (U Basel), Hirshi (Keele U)

reaction/decay uncertainty



Monte-Carlo
statistical analysis



observation

uncertainty



• s-process

• weak s: massive stars (NN+2017)
→ **n_TOF experiments**

• main s: low mass stars (Cescutti, Hirsch, NN+2018)

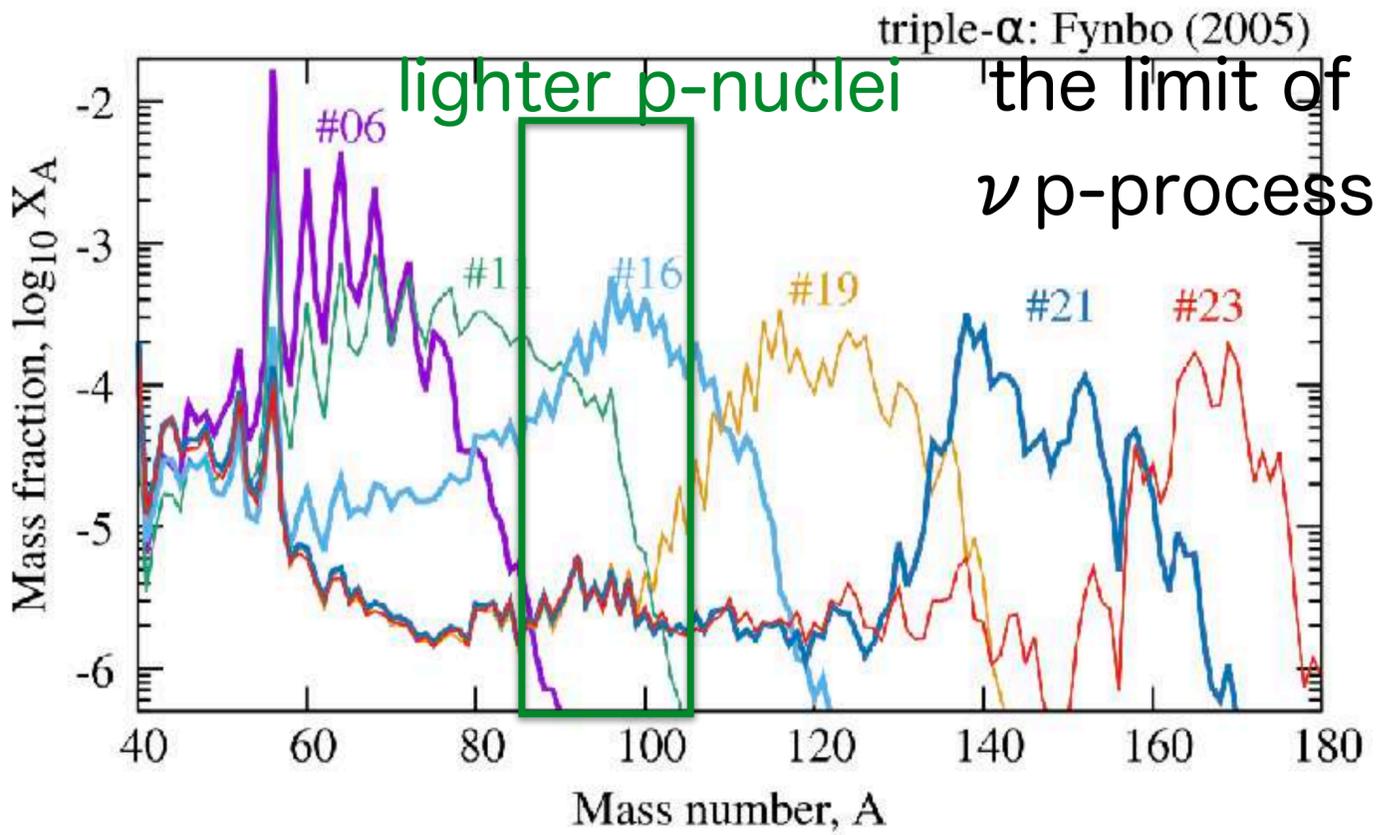
• p-process → **TRIUMF experiments**

• core-collapse supernovae (Rauscher, NN+2016)

• Type Ia supernovae (NN+2018)

• ν p-process (NN+2019) → **RIBF experiments**

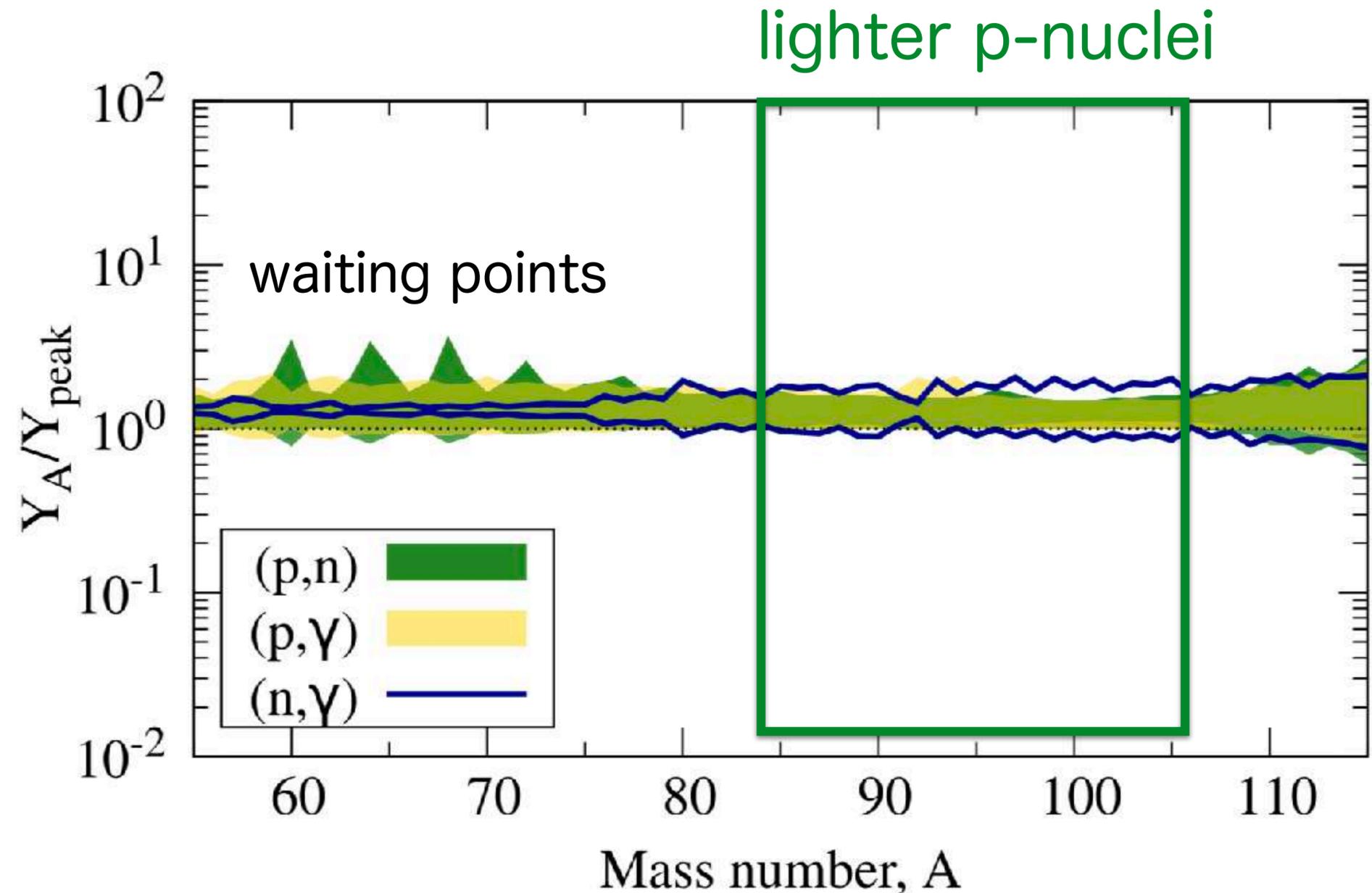
Uncertainty by individual reaction types



consider uncertainty of all reactions except for w/o triple- α and $^{56}\text{Ni}(n,p)$

uncertainty range

Reaction	upper	lower
(n,γ)	2.0	2.0
(p,γ)	2.0	3.0
(p,n)	2.0	3.0
(α,γ)	2.0	10.0
(α,n)	2.0	10.0
(α,p)	2.0	10.0



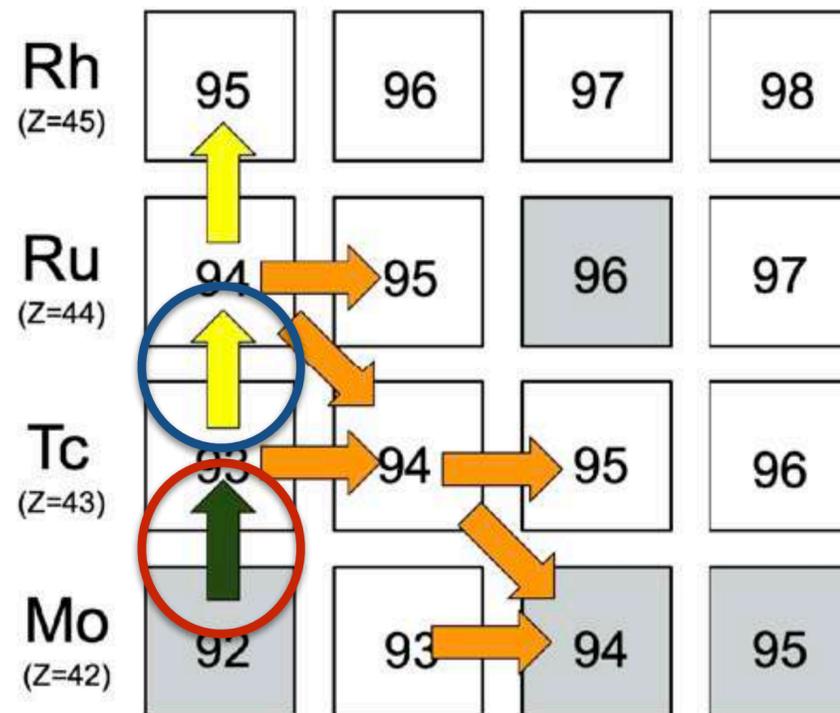
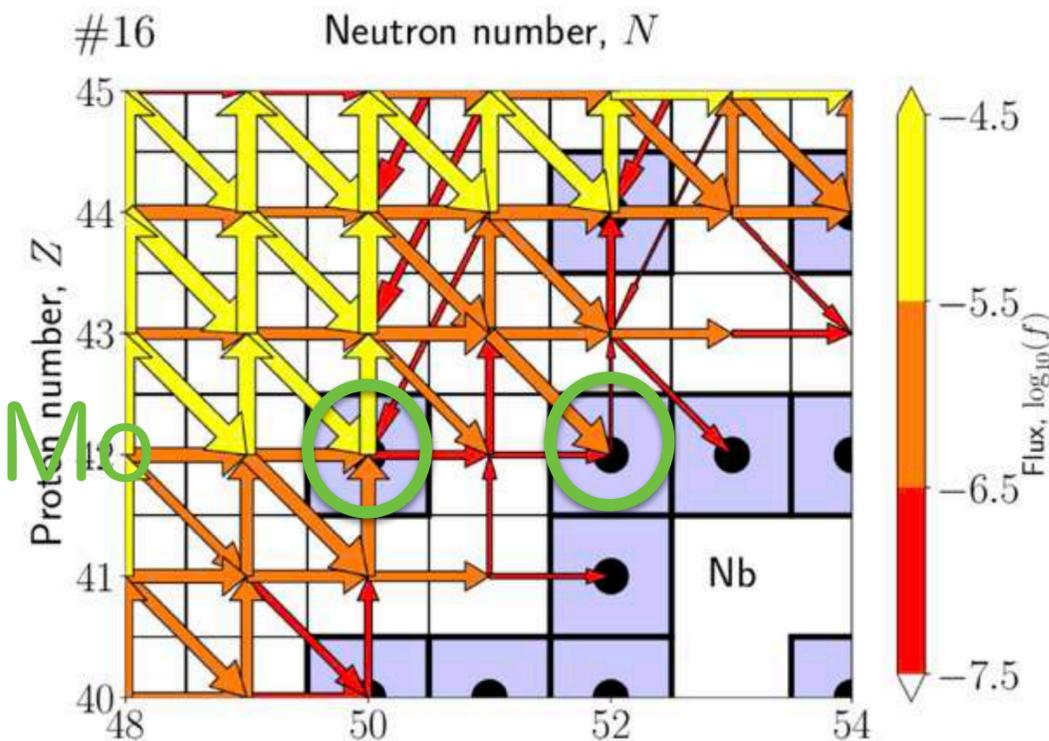
Solar isotopic ratios

the solar isotopic ratio (Lodders 2003): $^{92}\text{Mo}/^{94}\text{Mo}$

$^{92}\text{Mo}/^{94}\text{Mo} = 1.6$, $^{84}\text{Sr}/^{94}\text{Mo} = 0.54$, $^{78}\text{Kr}/^{94}\text{Mo} = 0.82$

- ν p-process w/ updated masses?
 - still low $^{92}\text{Mo}/^{94}\text{Mo}$ (Xing+2018)
- nuclear reactions?
 - $0.67 < ^{92}\text{Mo}/^{94}\text{Mo} < 2.79$ for a specific model (NN+2019)

NN+2019



key reaction : $^{92}\text{Mo}(p,g)^{93}\text{Tc}$
 (next priority: $^{93}\text{Tc}(p,g)^{94}\text{Ru}$)

2. r-process in magneto-rotational SNe

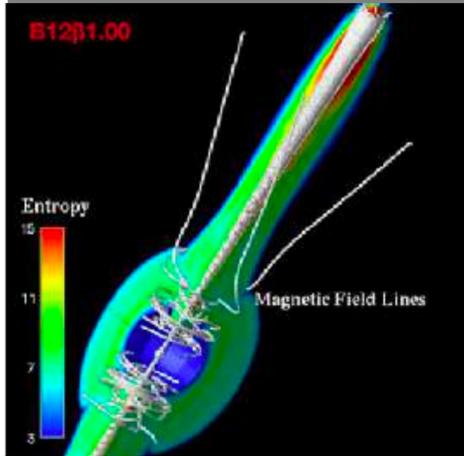
- Hasegawa, Tanaka, NN+, in prep.

Astrophysical r-process sites

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Massive stars

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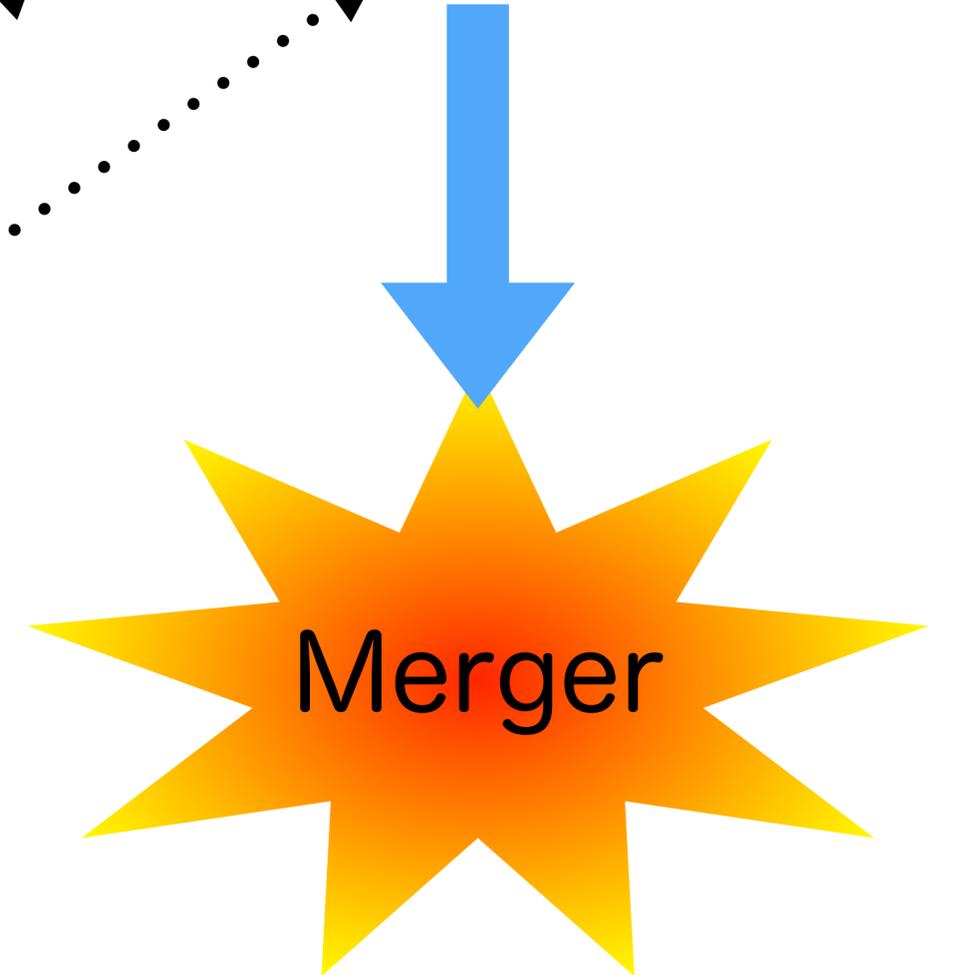
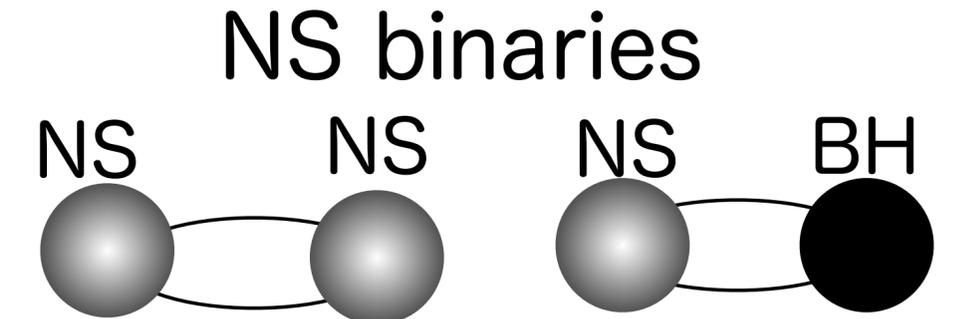


Magneto-rotational driven explosion

proto-NS

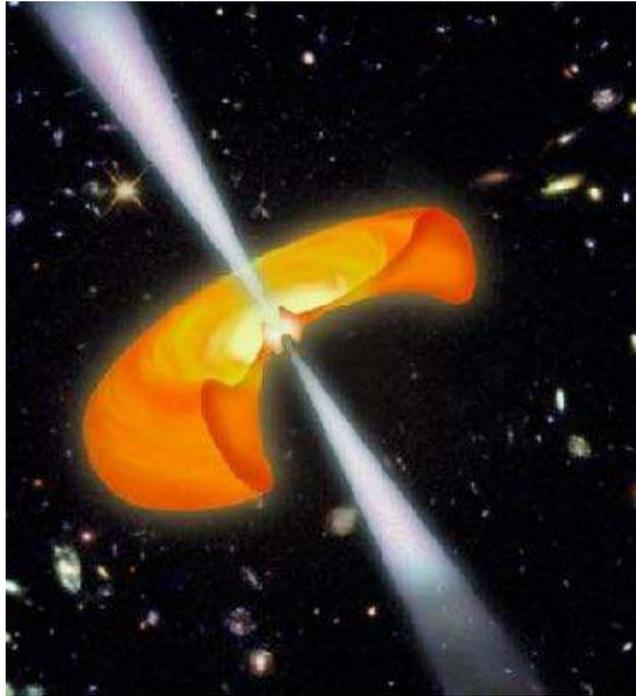
ν -driven wind

- NO direct observation
- Theoretical models difficult
- no magnetar formation
- r-process rich

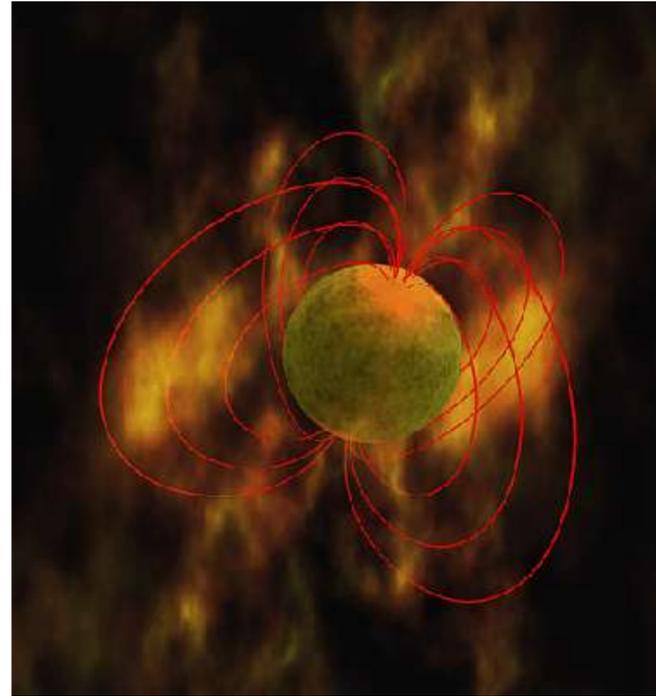


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Magneto-rotational SN scenario



hypernova/jet-like SN

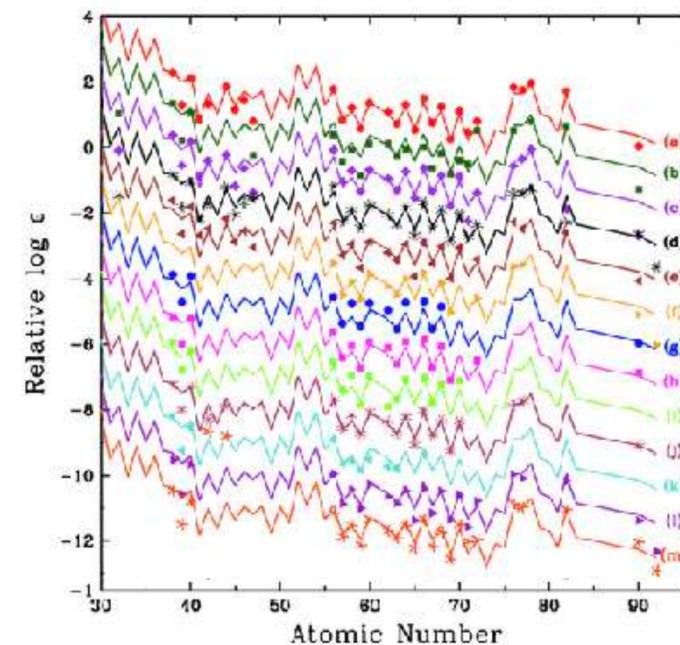


magnetars

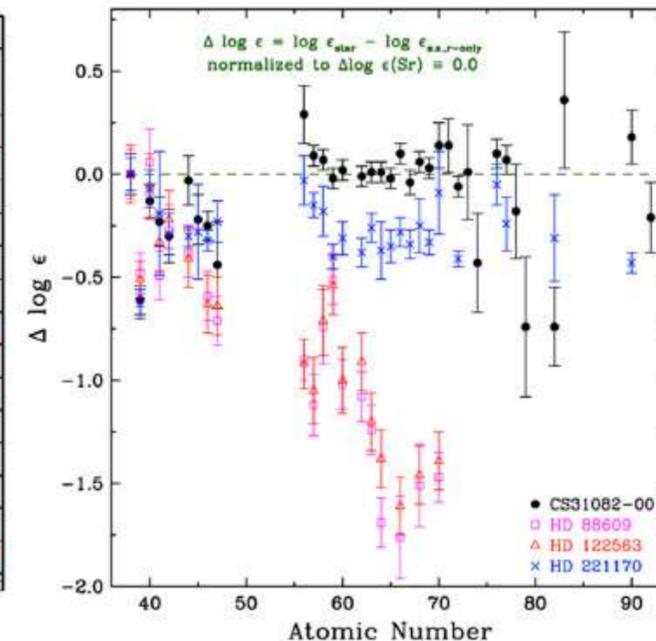
- Magnetars
 - strong magnetic field $\sim 10^{15}$ G (~ 1 % of all neutron stars)
- Magneto-driven Supernovae?
 - GRB central engine
 - Hypernovae?
 - (magnetar driven) Super luminous SNe?

- **variety of r-process patterns** in metal-poor stars
- can be rare ~ 1 % of ccSN rate
- Galactic chemical evolution
 - needed as **external sources** with NS mergers?
 - MR-SNe, “hypernovae”, collapsars etc.??
(see, e.g., Wehmeyer+2015, Tsujimoto&NN 2015, Cescutti+2017, Siegel+2019, Kobayashi+2020 etc.)

r-process in MP stars



“weak” r-process?



Cowan+2021

r-Process studies with SN models

- magneto-rotational driven cc-SN mechanism (non-standard explosions)
- strong magnetic jet may eject very neutron-rich matter (high e^- capture \rightarrow low Y_e)
- neutrino-heating is not predominant (but, still significant)

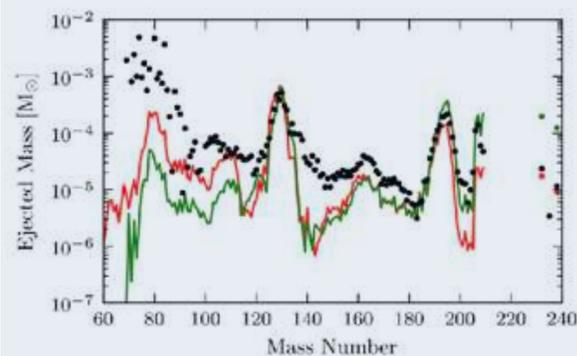
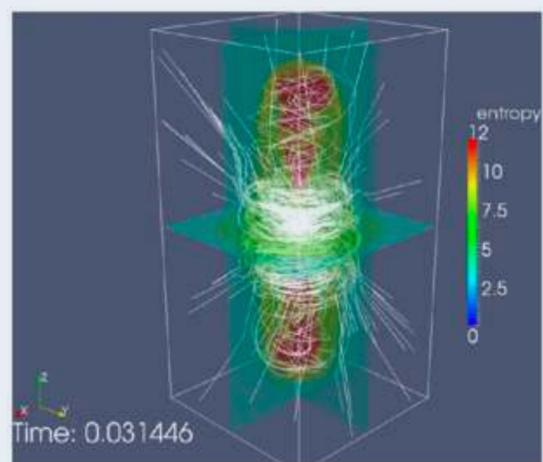
strong jet

hydro-instability

rotation vs. B-field
misalliance

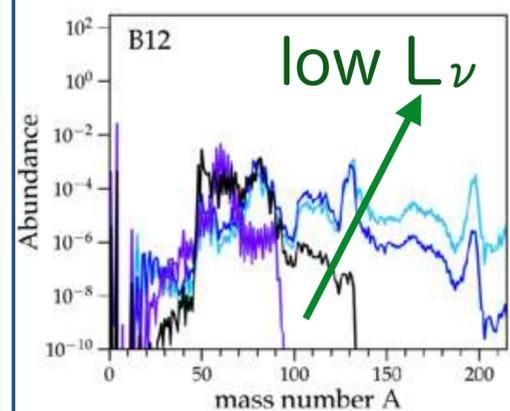
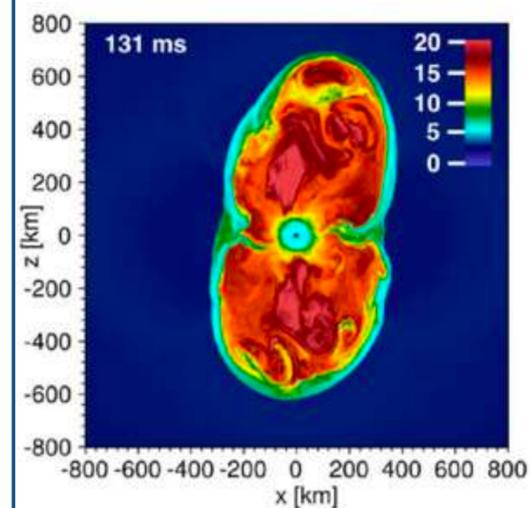
advanced neutrino transport

Winteler+NN+(2012)

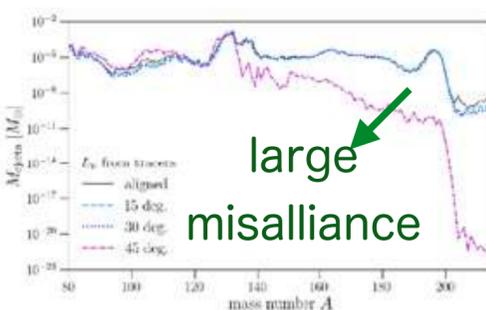
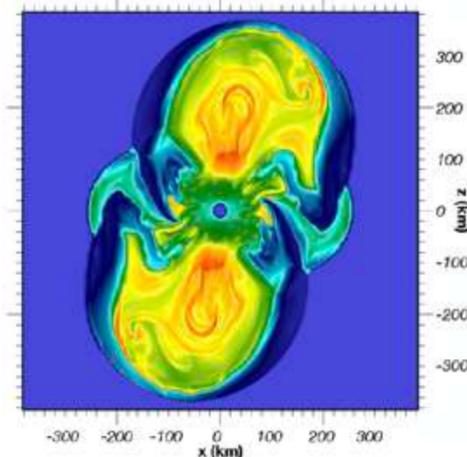


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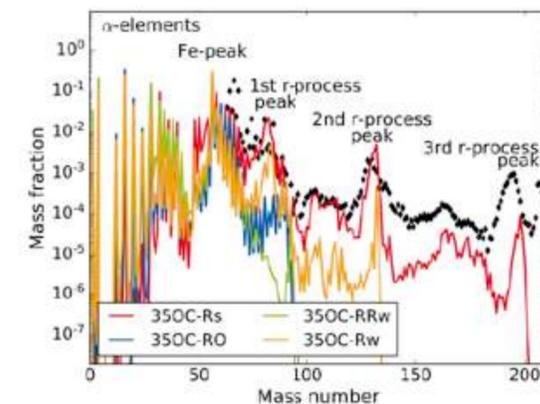
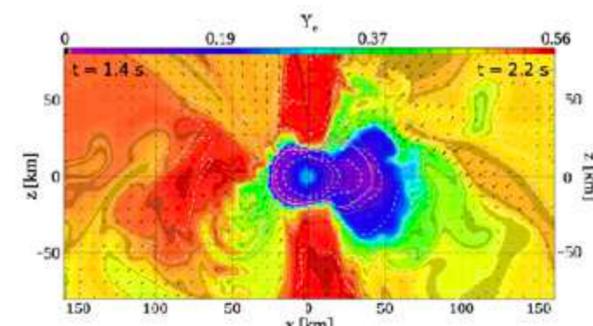
Mösta+(2018)



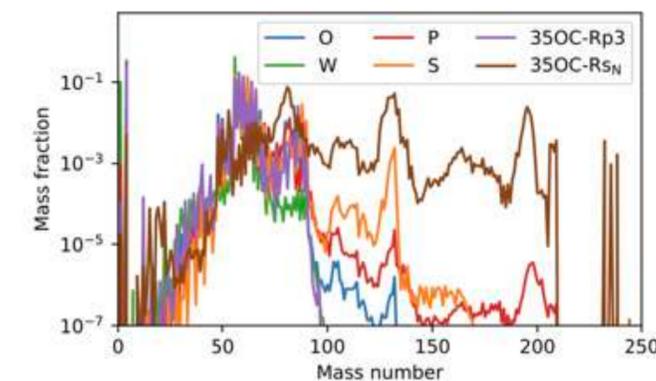
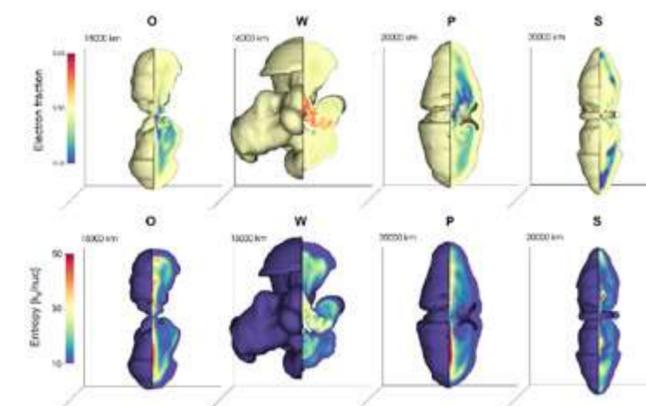
Halevi & Mösta(2018)



Reichert+2021, 2022
(w/ Obergaulinger+2020)

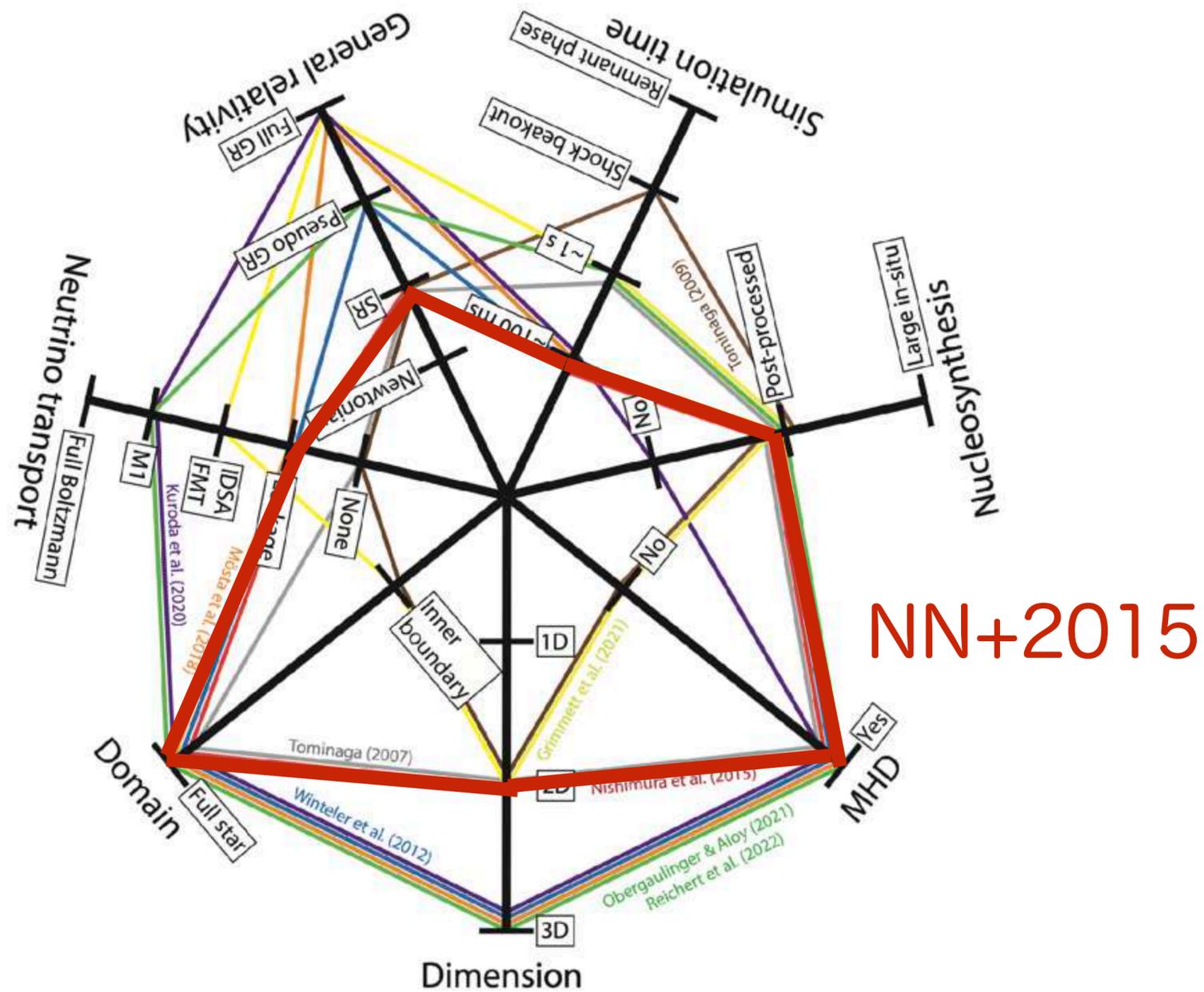


Reichert+2023



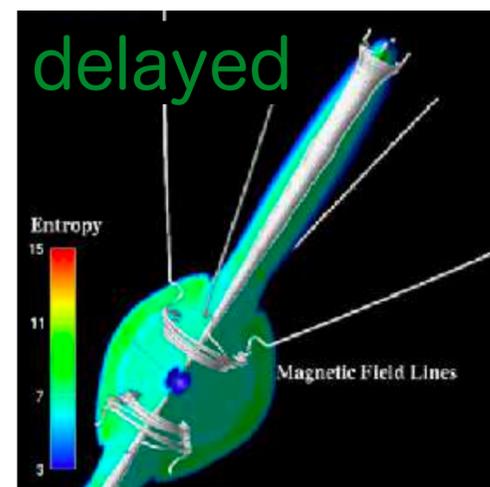
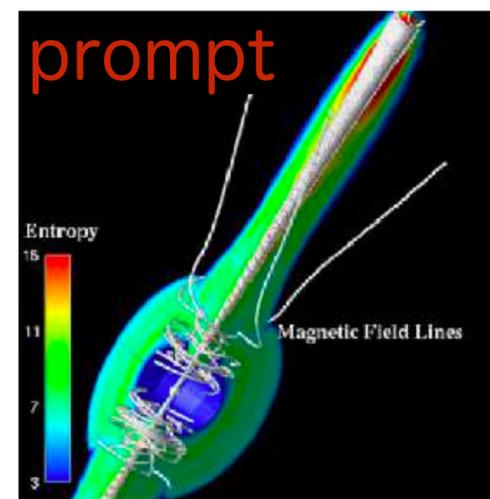
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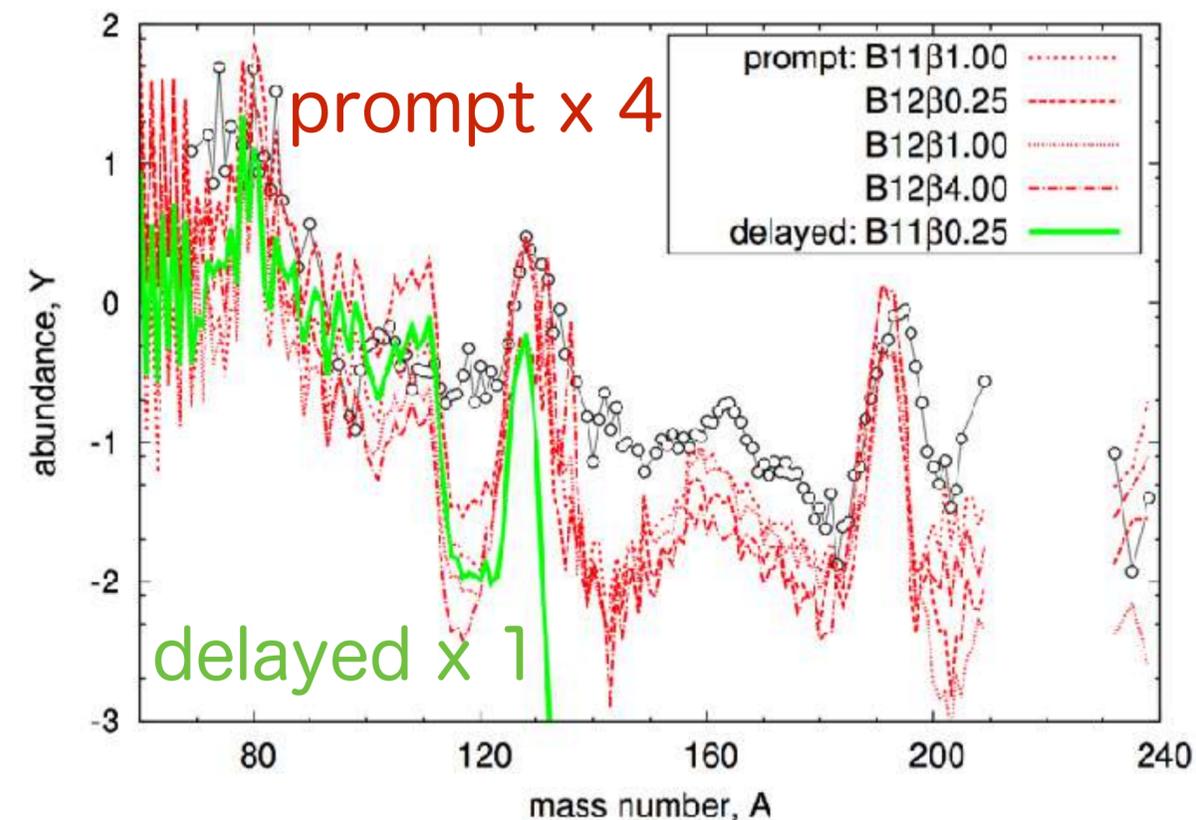


Multiple physics in explosion models

- multi-D MHD, general relativity
- neutron transport, weak reactions
- computational domain, time-scale
- nucleosynthesis
- ...



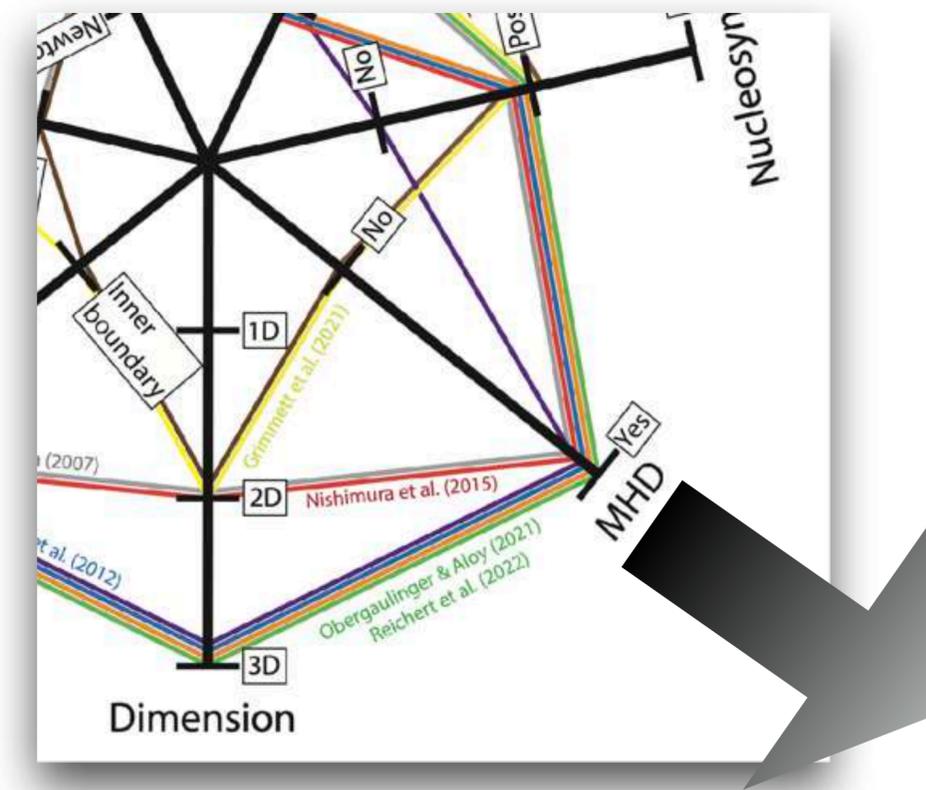
- dependence on rotation and B-fields
- B-fields application by winding



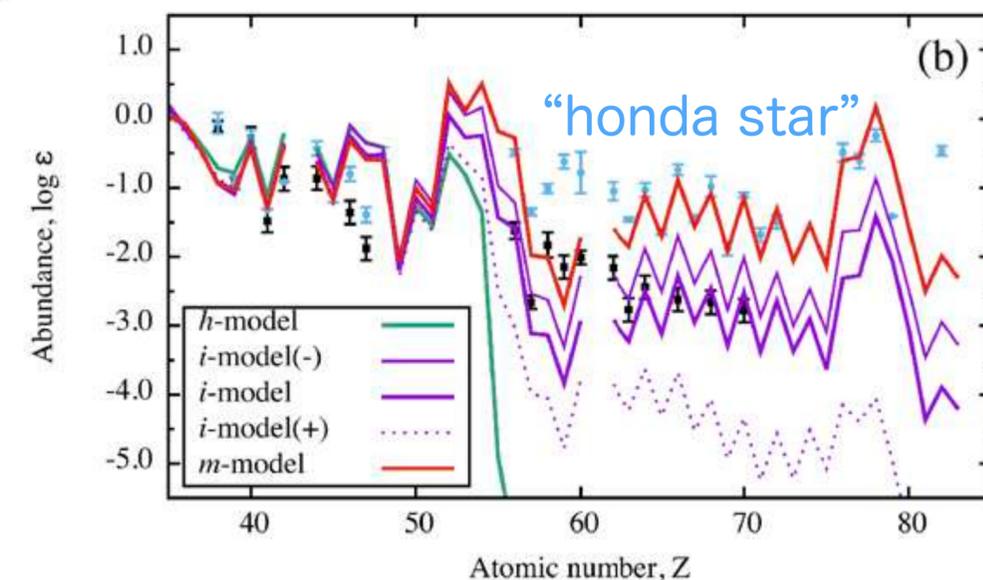
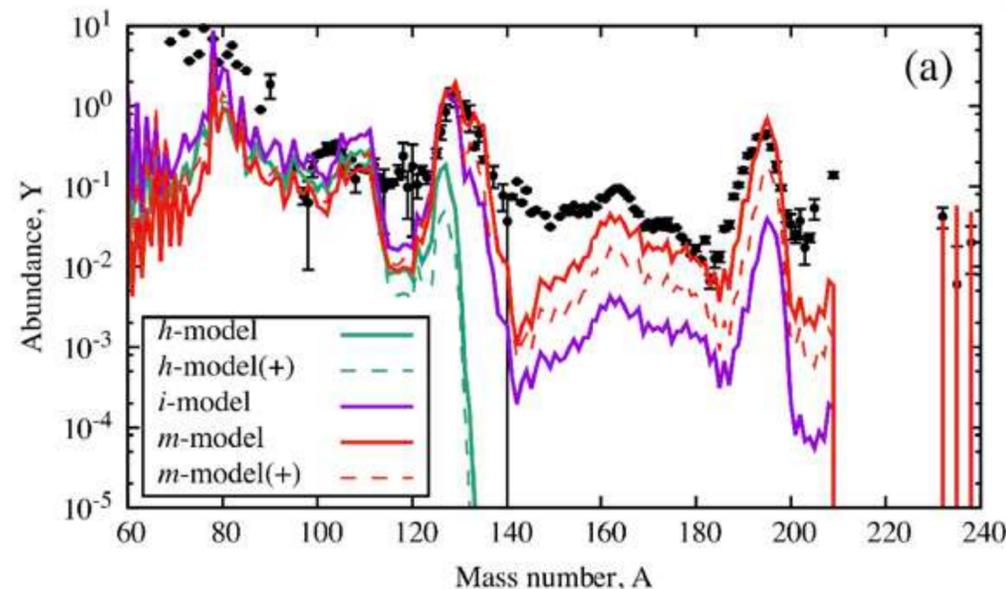
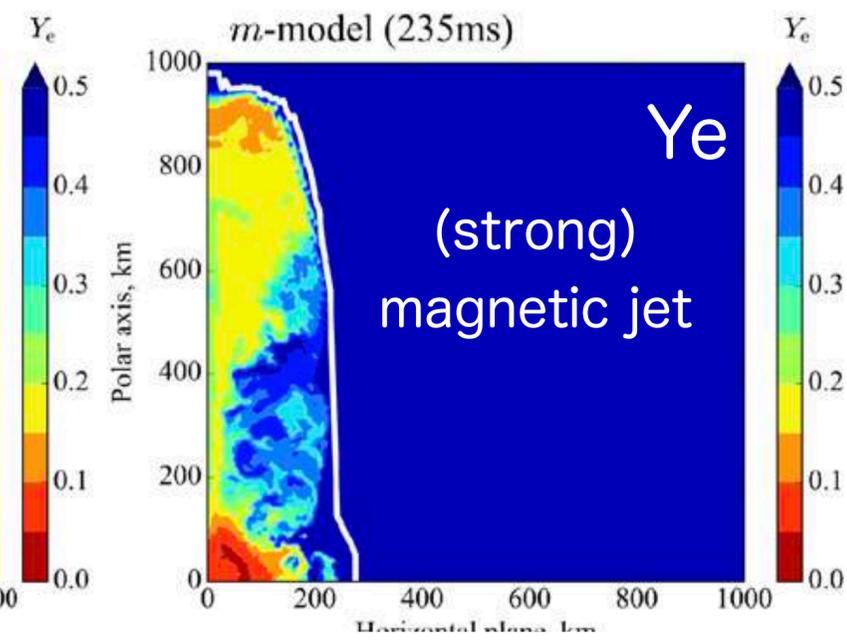
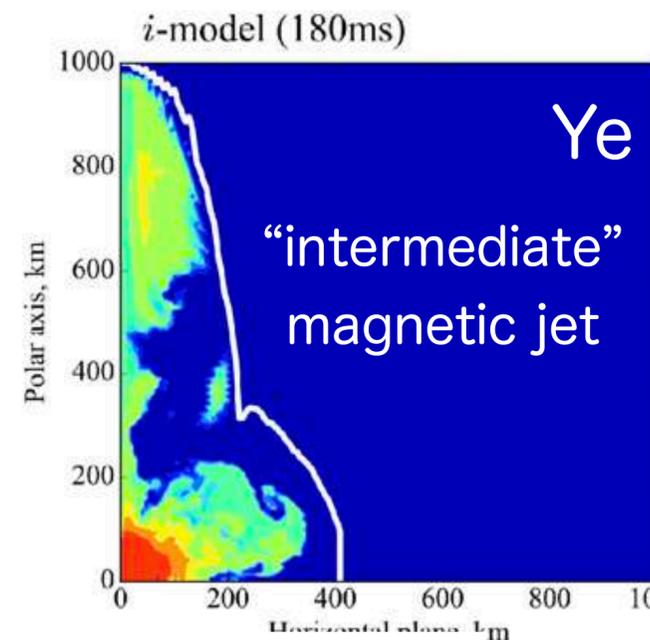
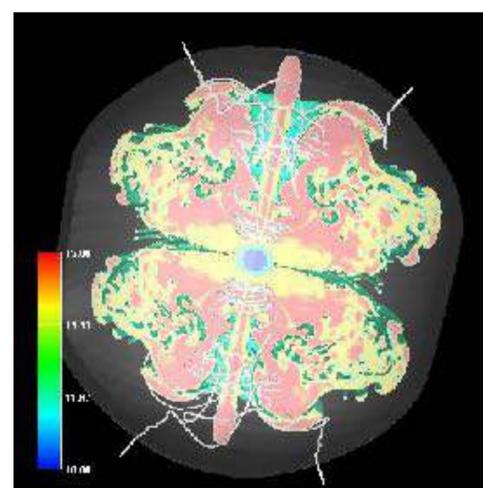
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NN+2017



- High resolution MHD
(local B-field amplification)
- MRI
- magnetic turbulence
- ...



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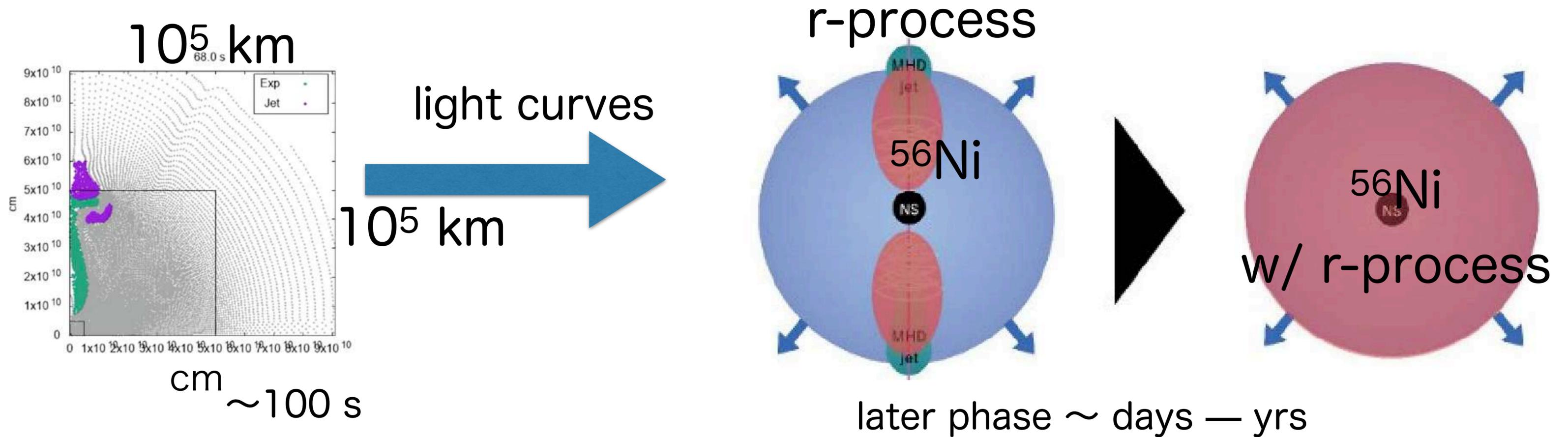
ir-process??

The Intermediate r-process in Core-collapse Supernovae Driven by the Magneto-rotational Instability

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Modeling light-curves with r-process-jet-SN



- 1D radiative hydrodynamics (Tanaka & Hotokezaka 2013)
- LTE, b-b transition for all elements
- ^{56}Ni production with explosion model \rightarrow model parameter
- r-process is uniformly mixed in ejecta (free parameter)

GRB (hypernova) associated SNe

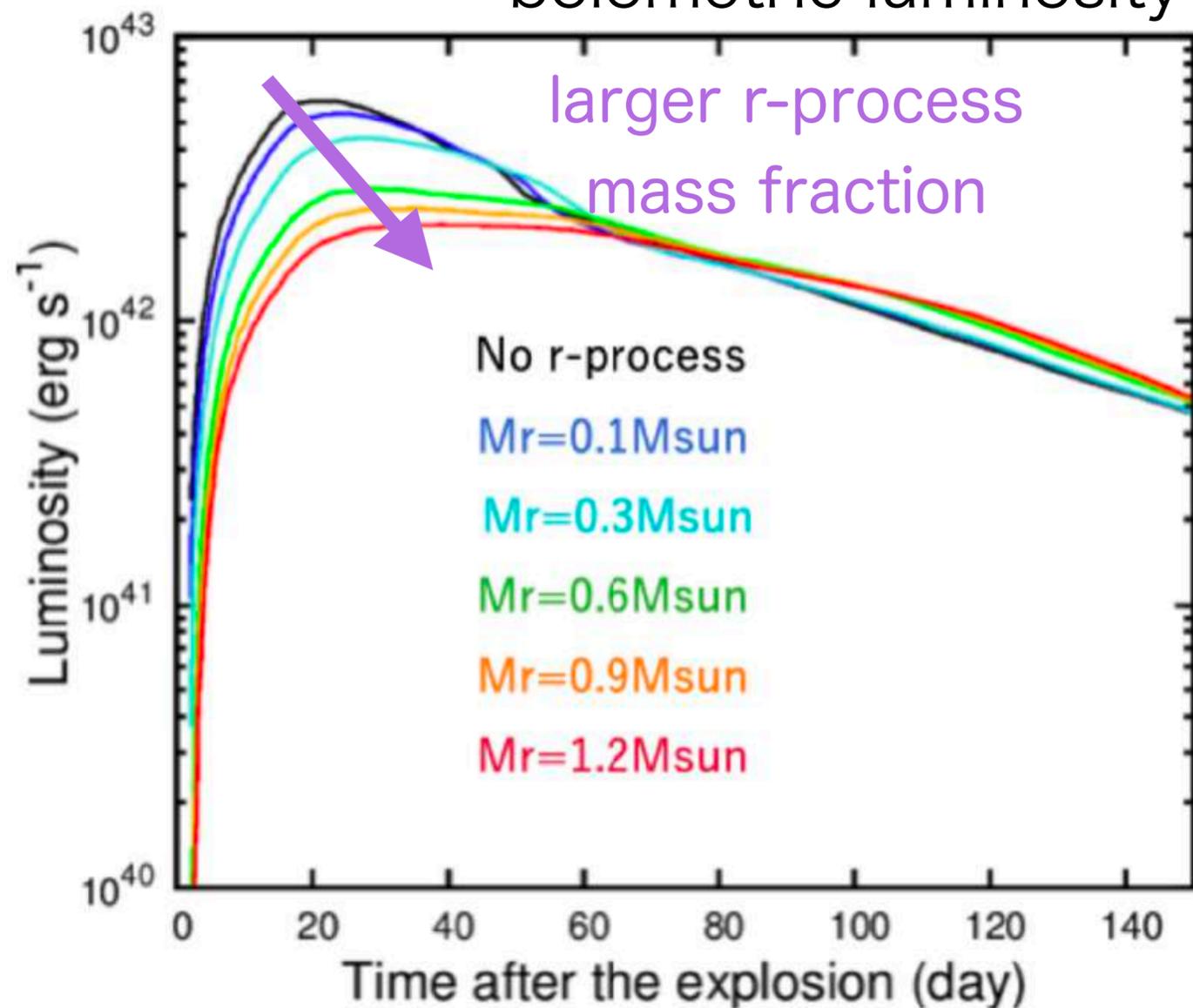
bright SNe with high ^{56}Ni mass = $0.36 M_{\text{sun}}$ ($E_{\text{exp}} = 10^{52}$ erg)

varying r-process mass $M_r = 0, 0.1, 0.3, 0.6, 0.9, 1.2 M_{\text{sun}}$

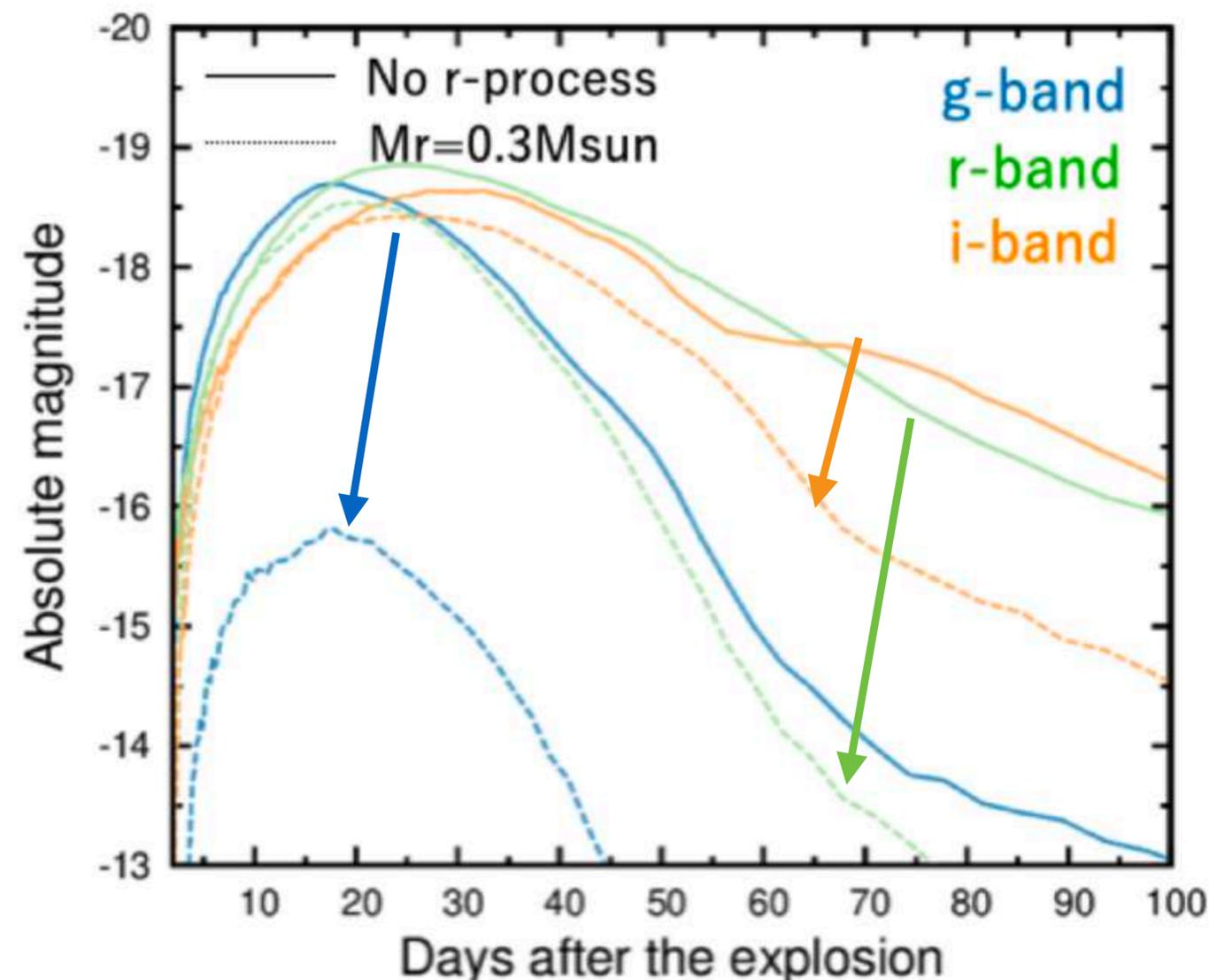
→ r-process rich → high opacity → fainter & red

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bolometric luminosity

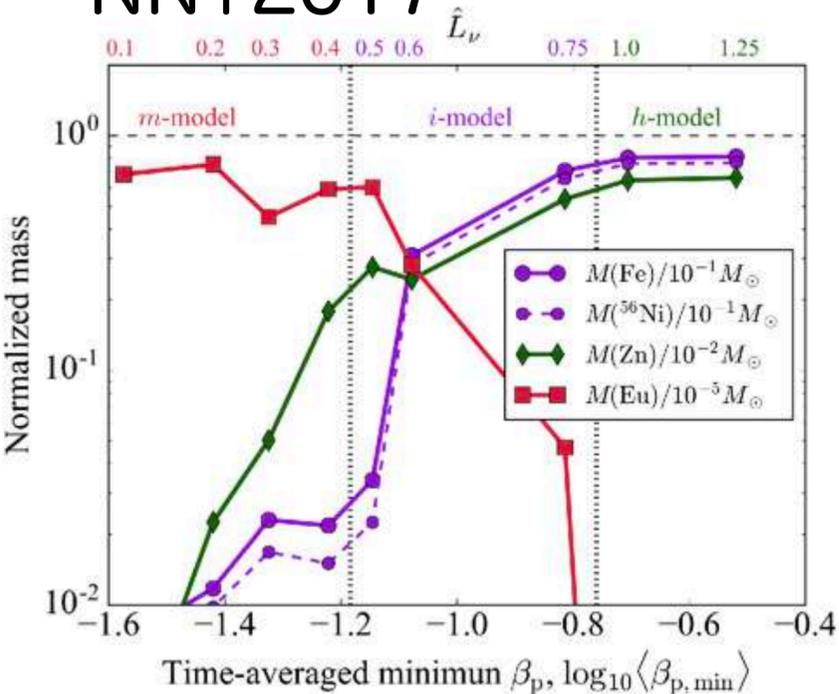


light curves



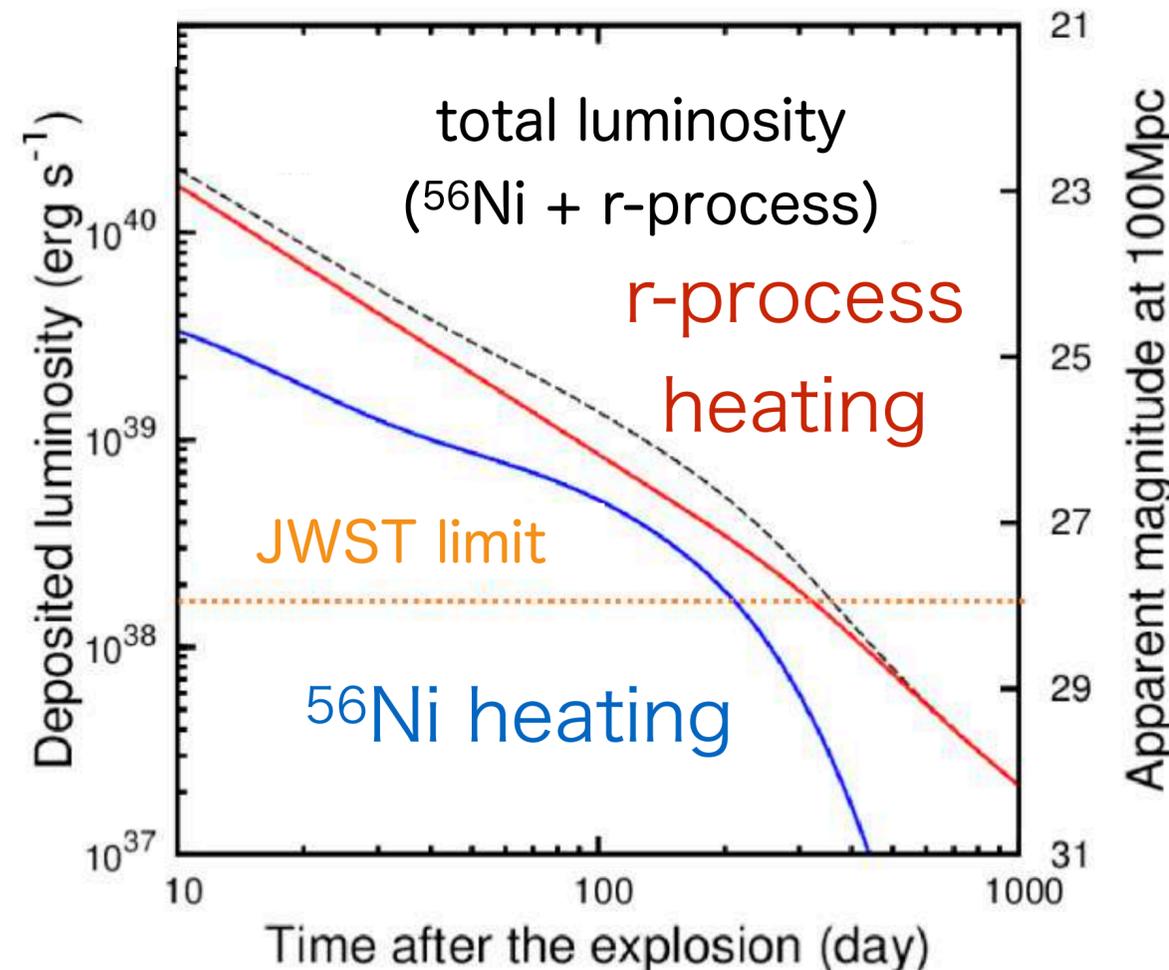
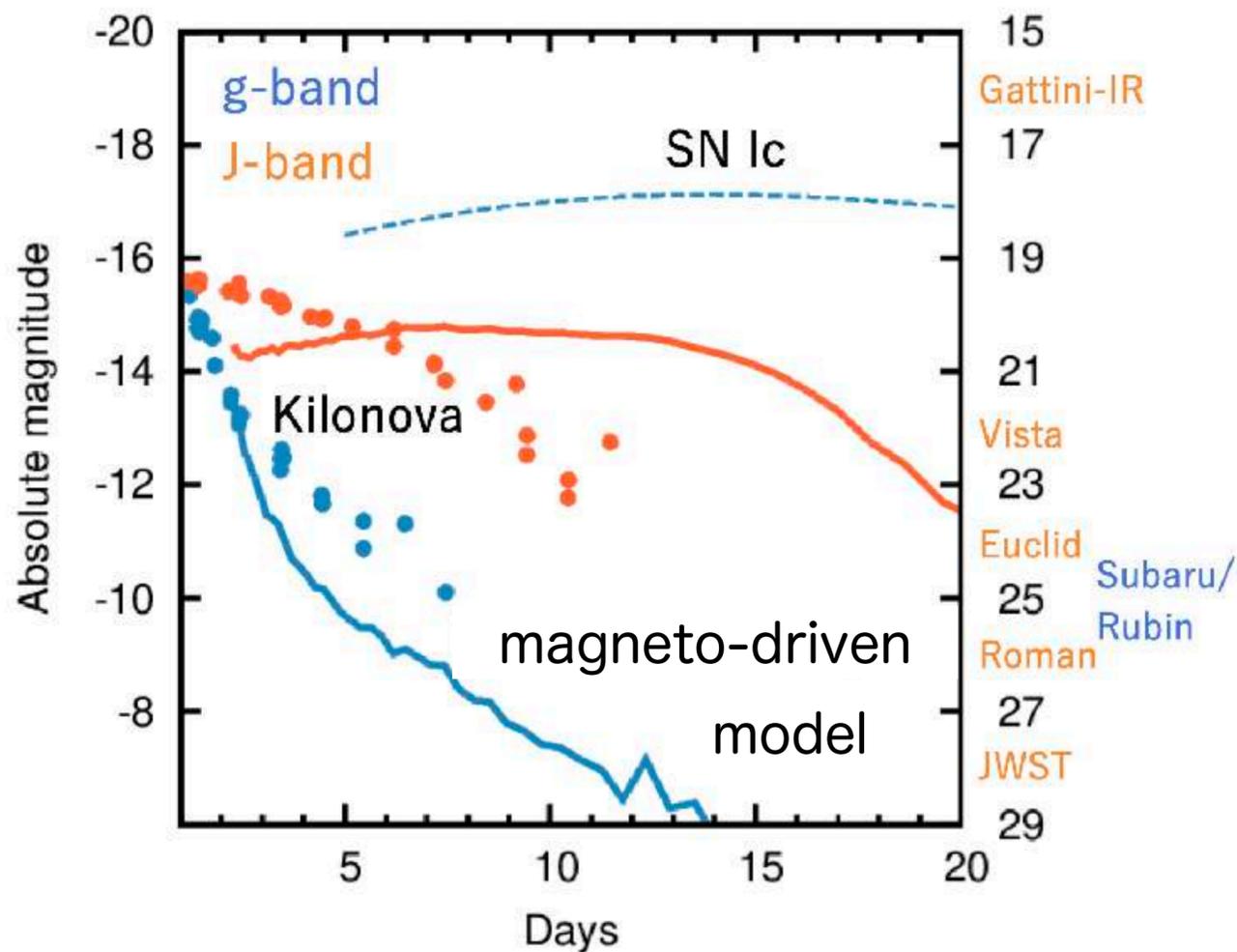
Identification in SN observations?

NN+2017



- NN+2017 suggests r-process-rich + ^{56}Ni poor ejecta
- may occur if kinetic-driven (less heat-driven) jet expansion?
- We expect a significant r-process-decay heating (relative to ^{56}Ni)
 - ^{56}Ni heating $\propto \exp(-t/\tau): M(^{56}\text{Ni})1.1 \times 10^{-4}M_{\odot}$
 - r-process heating $\propto t^{-1.3}: M(\text{r proc})1.1 \times 10^{-2}M_{\odot}$

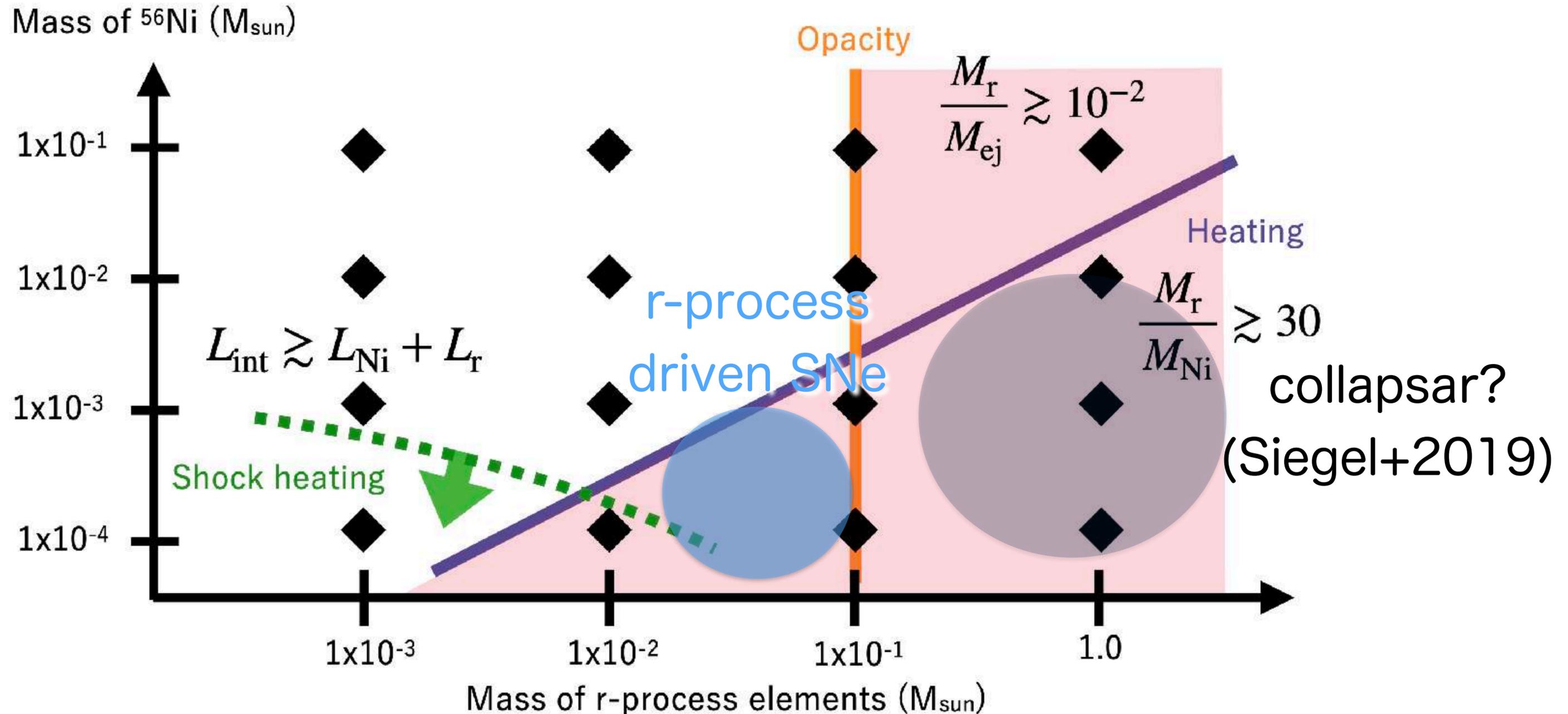
Hasegawa, Tanaka, NN+, in prep.



The overall feature: r-process vs ^{56}Ni

r-process is significant as

- opacity source if $M_r/M_{\text{ejecta}} > 10^{-2} \rightarrow$ fainter and redder
- heating source if $M_r/M_{^{56}\text{Ni}} > 30 \rightarrow$ than ^{56}Ni heating

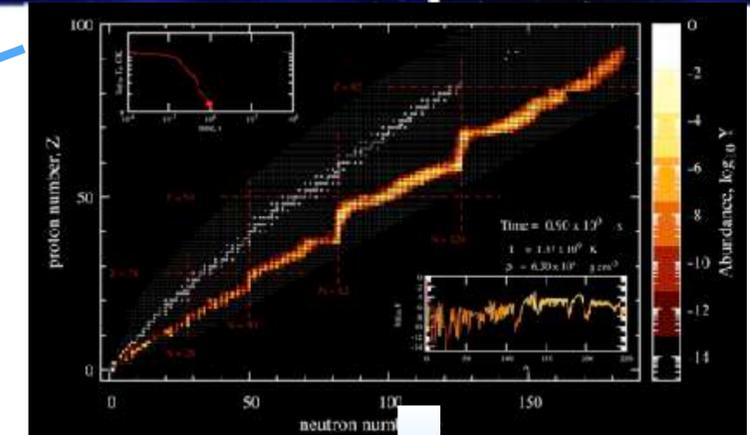
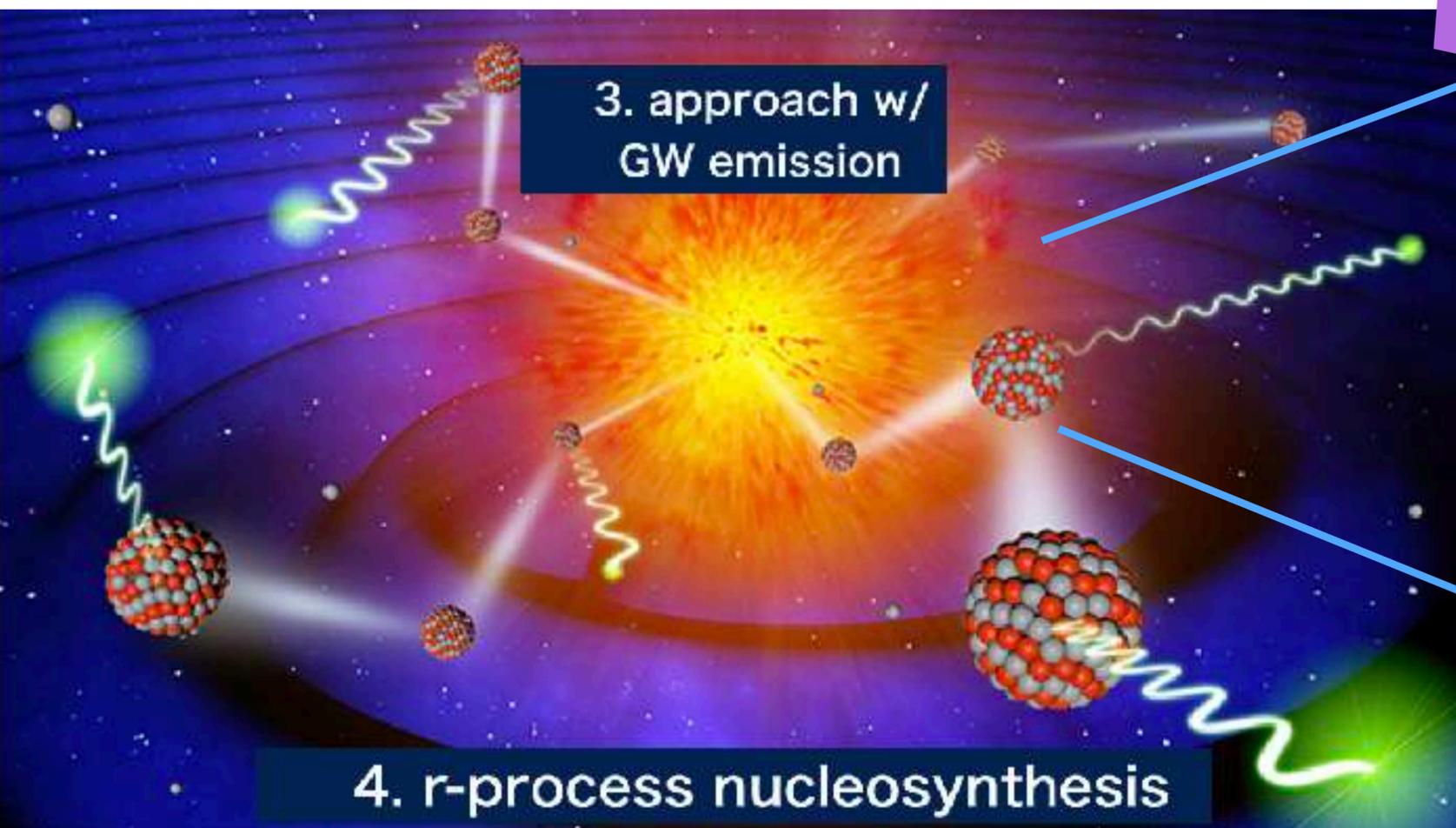
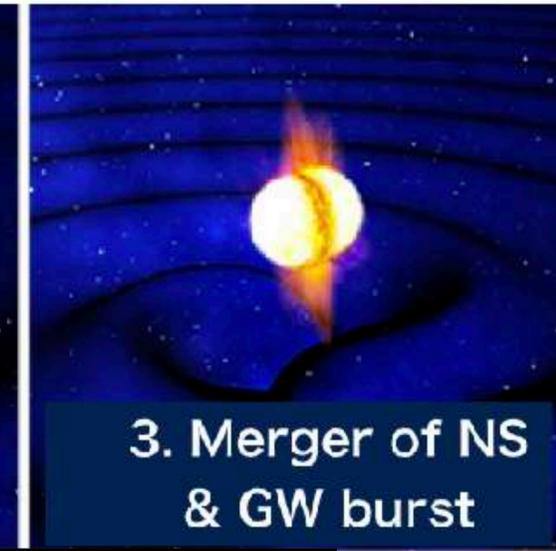
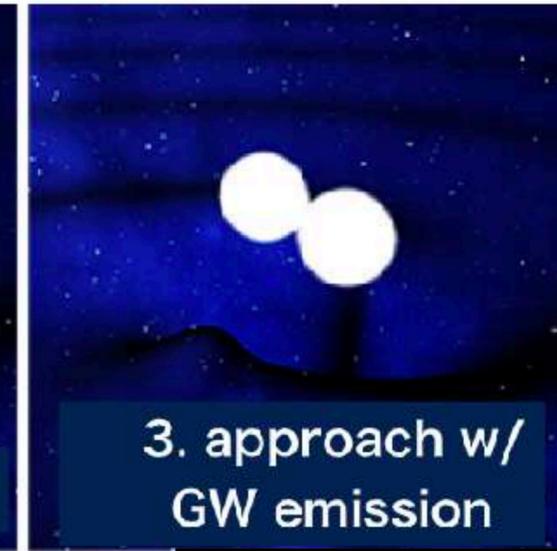
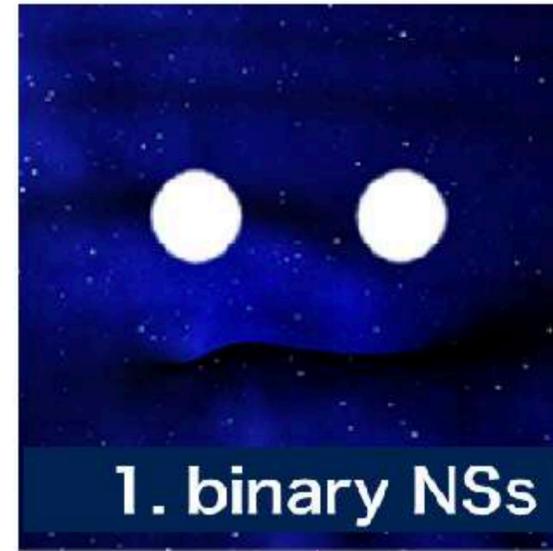
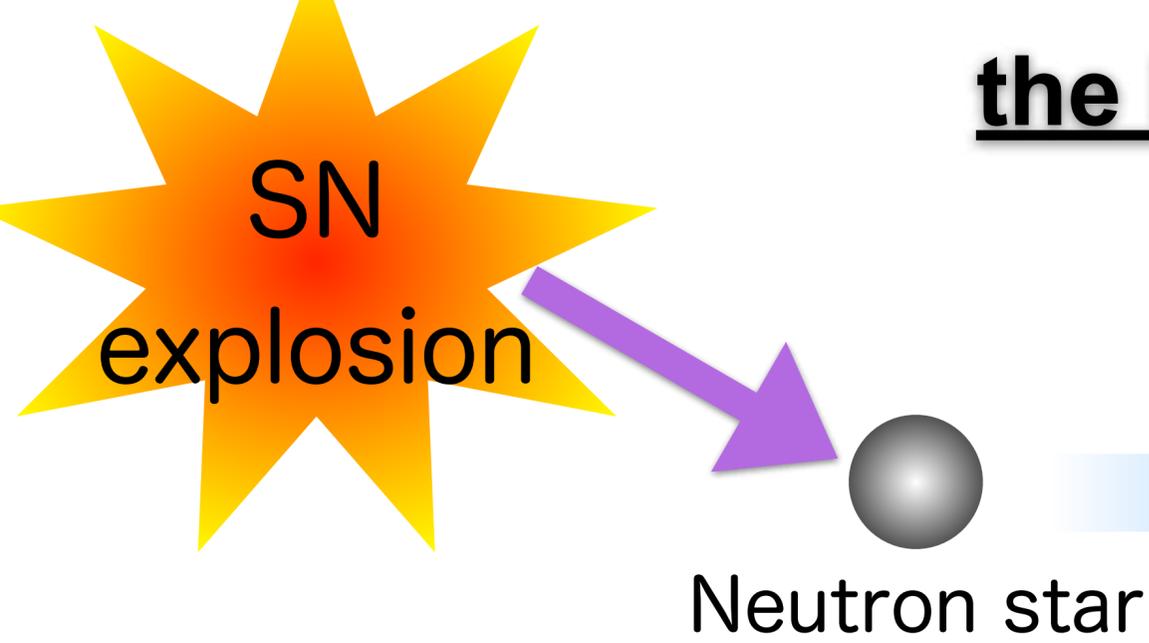


3. r-process in neutron-star mergers

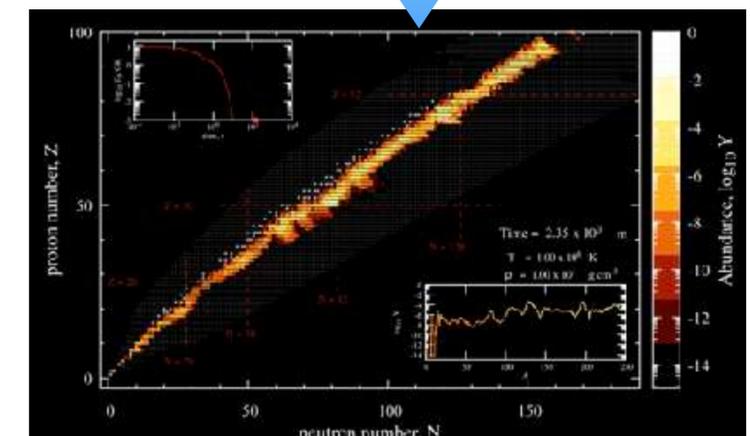
- only introducing our recent fission studies
- Tanaka, NN+(2023), Phys. Rev. C 108 054607
- See also the poster by Shoya Tanaka !

the NS merger and "kilonova"

credit NAOJ



radio active decays of r-process elements



Nuclear fission in r-process nucleosynthesis

r-process \rightarrow fission : termination, heating source of “kilonovae”

fission \rightarrow r-process : unique natural source, beyond accelerator experiments

NS merger (kilonova)



traditional NS merger calculations \rightarrow too strong r-process

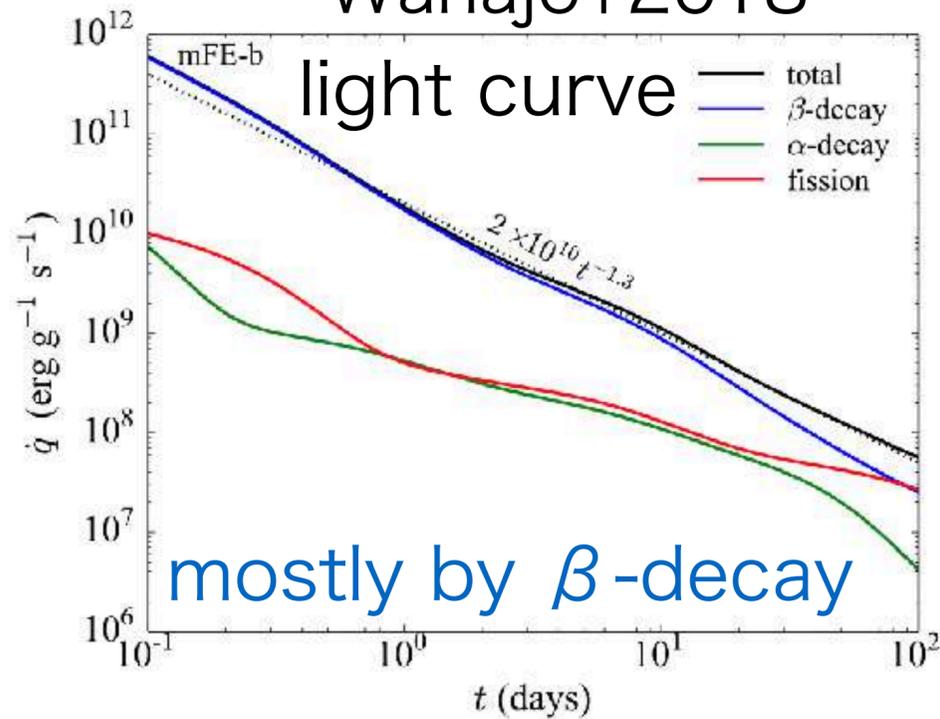
this problem was solved in modern simulations

e.g., Wanajo+NN+(2014)

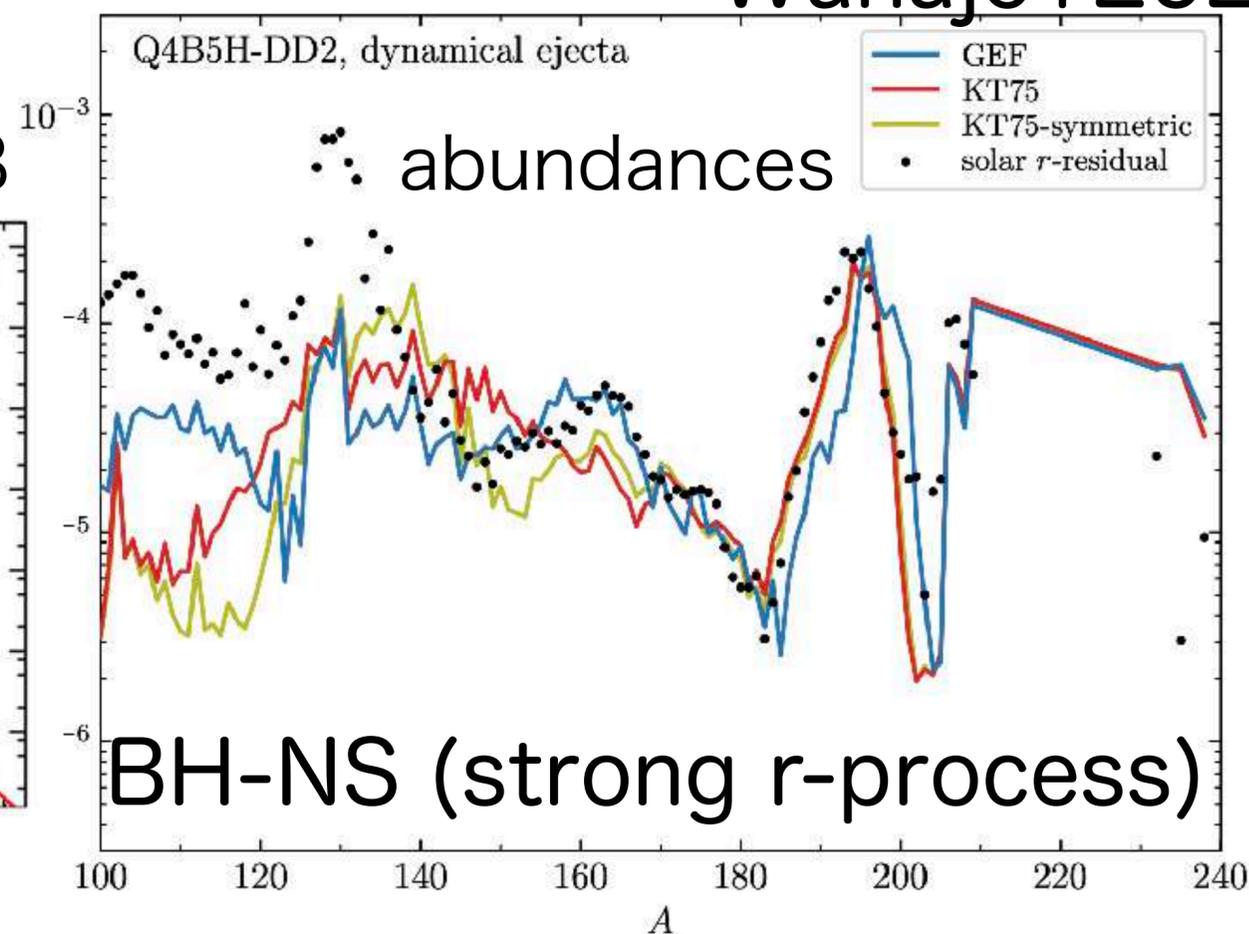
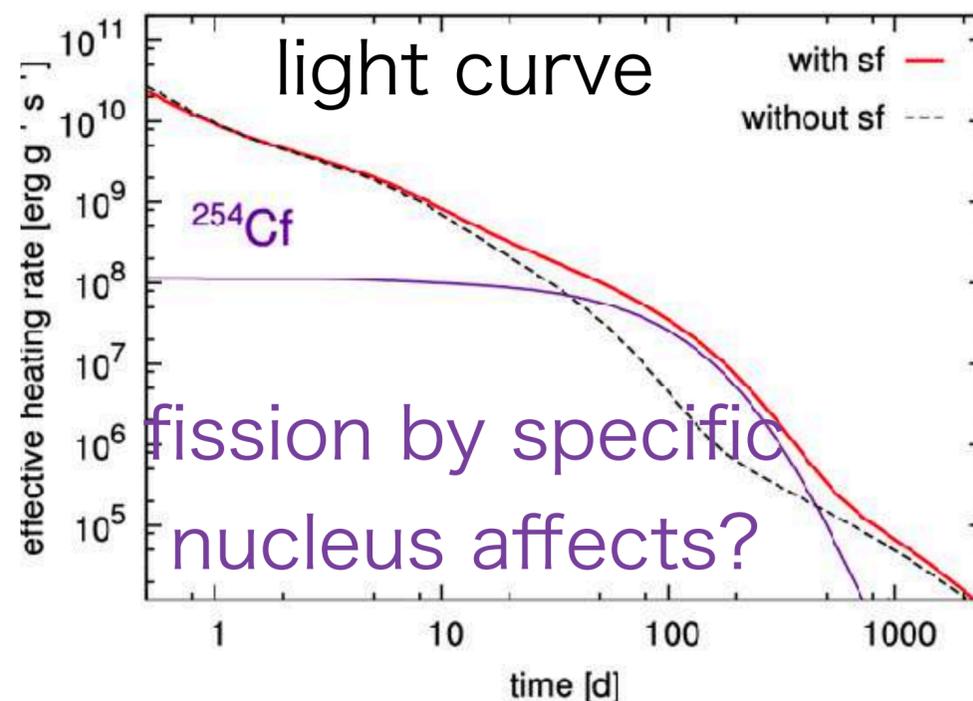
strong fission recycle

Wanajo+2023

Wanajo+2018



Zhu+2018



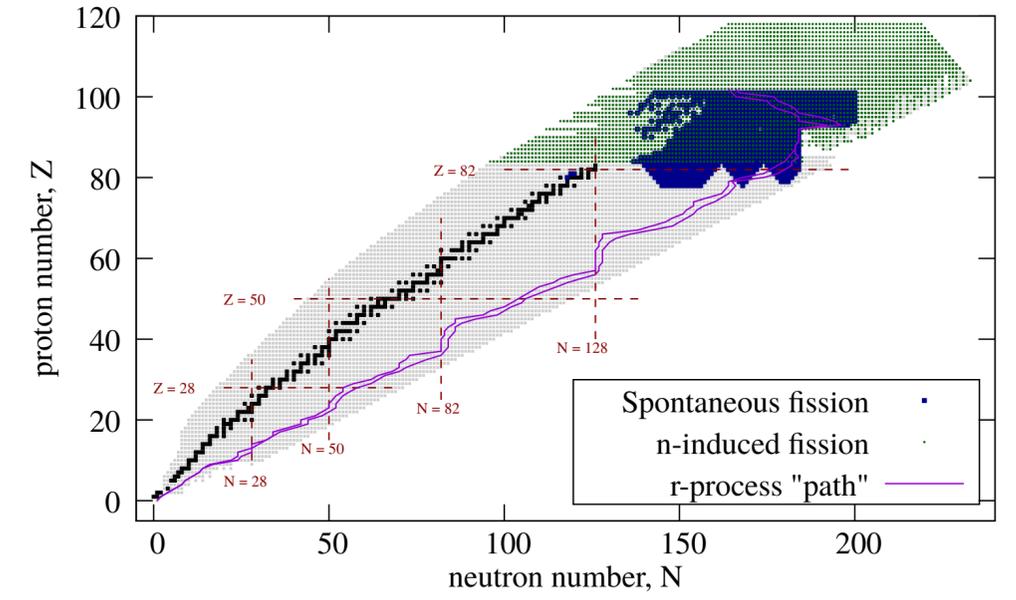
Theoretical fission yield distribution of n-rich nuclei

fission distribution by Langevin calculations

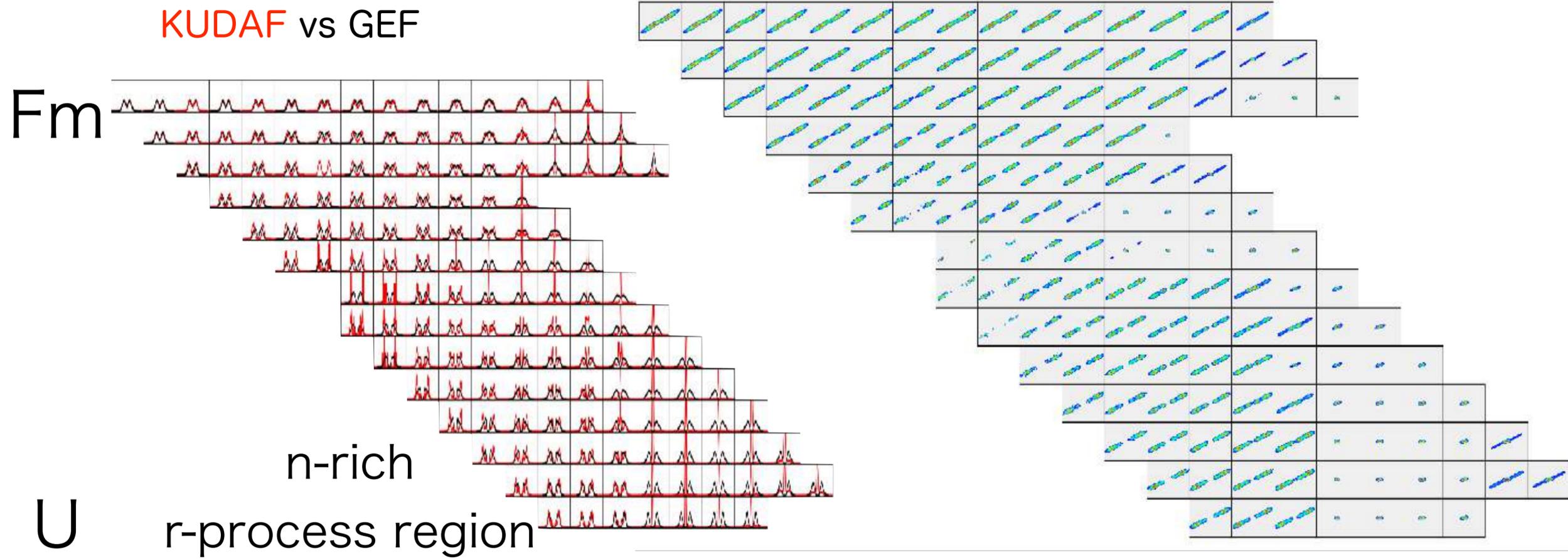
KUDAF database (in prep.)

(**K**indai **U**niversity **D**yn**A**mical **F**ission yields)

NN and Tanaka (RIKEN), Aritomo (Kindai U)



Fission distribution with UCD



calculated by I.Nishimura, Takagi, Miyasakai

KiLM code : 3D two-center shell model

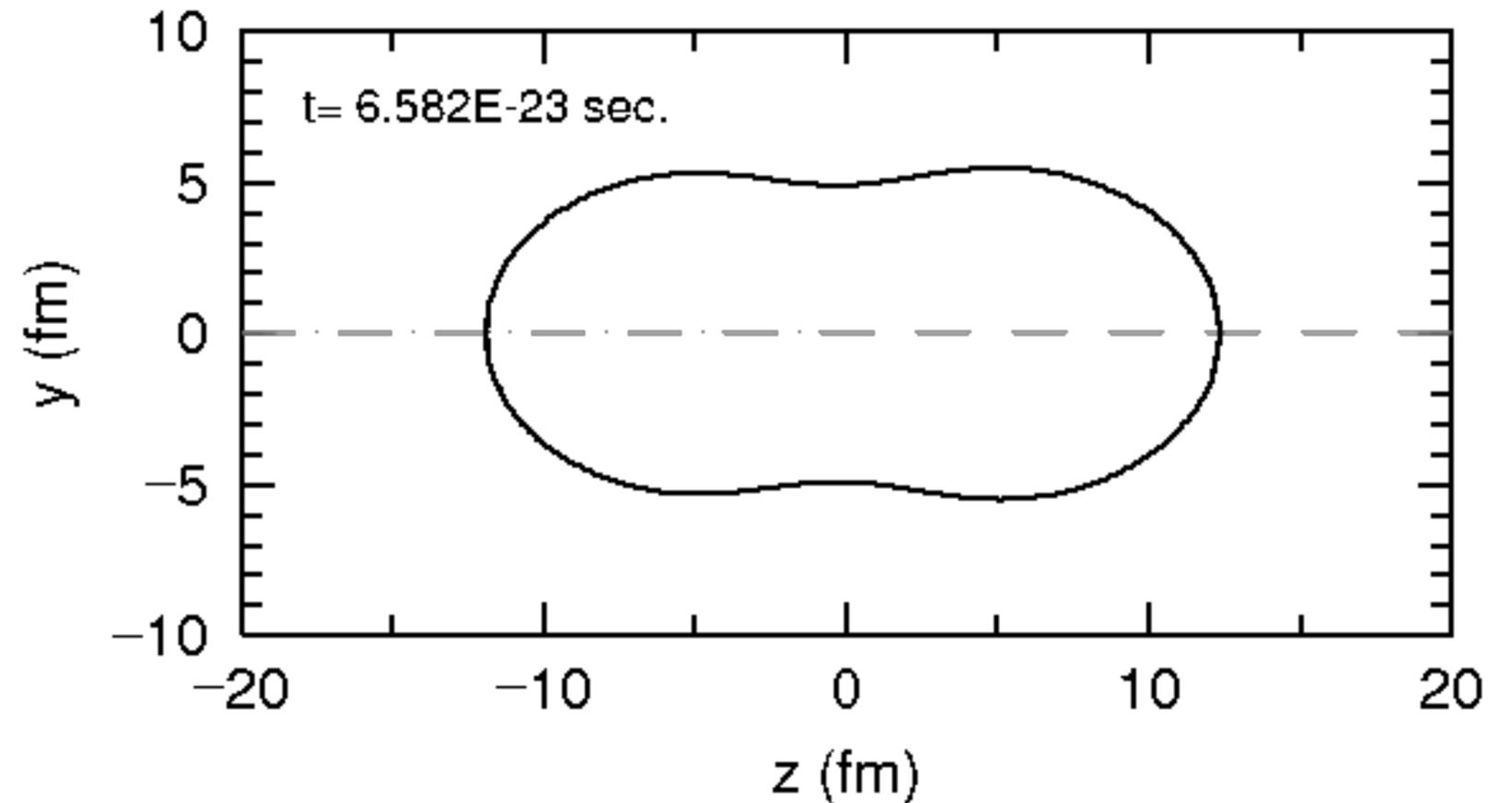
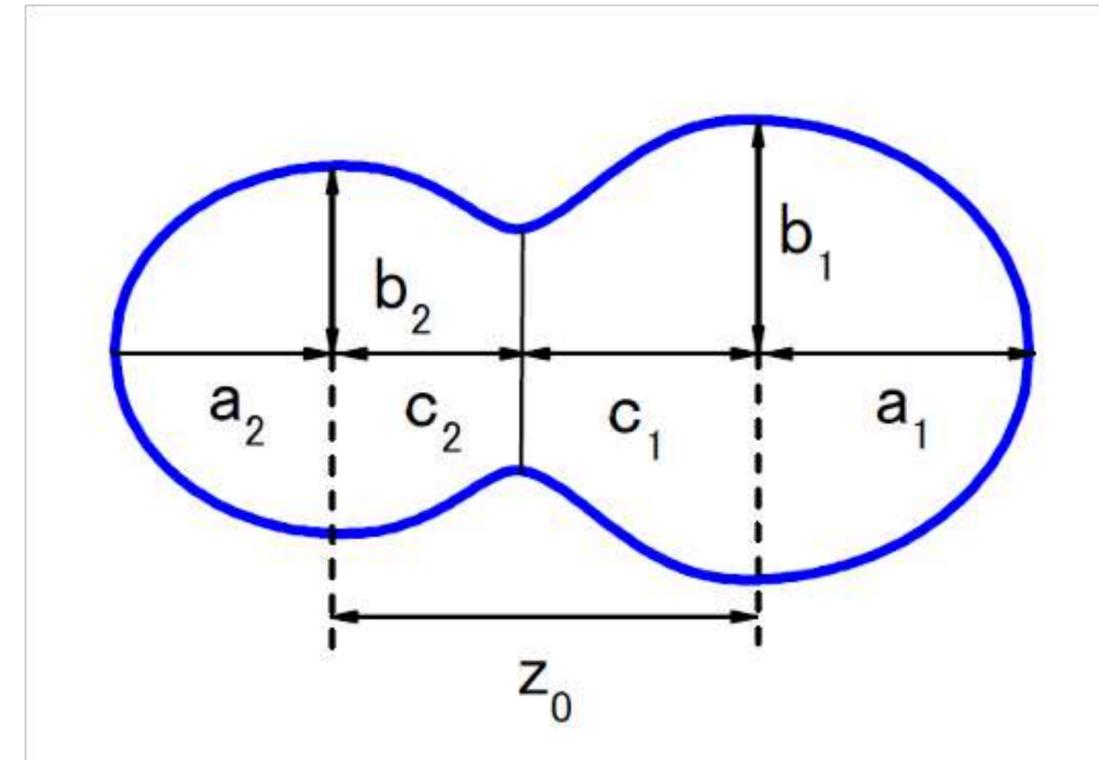
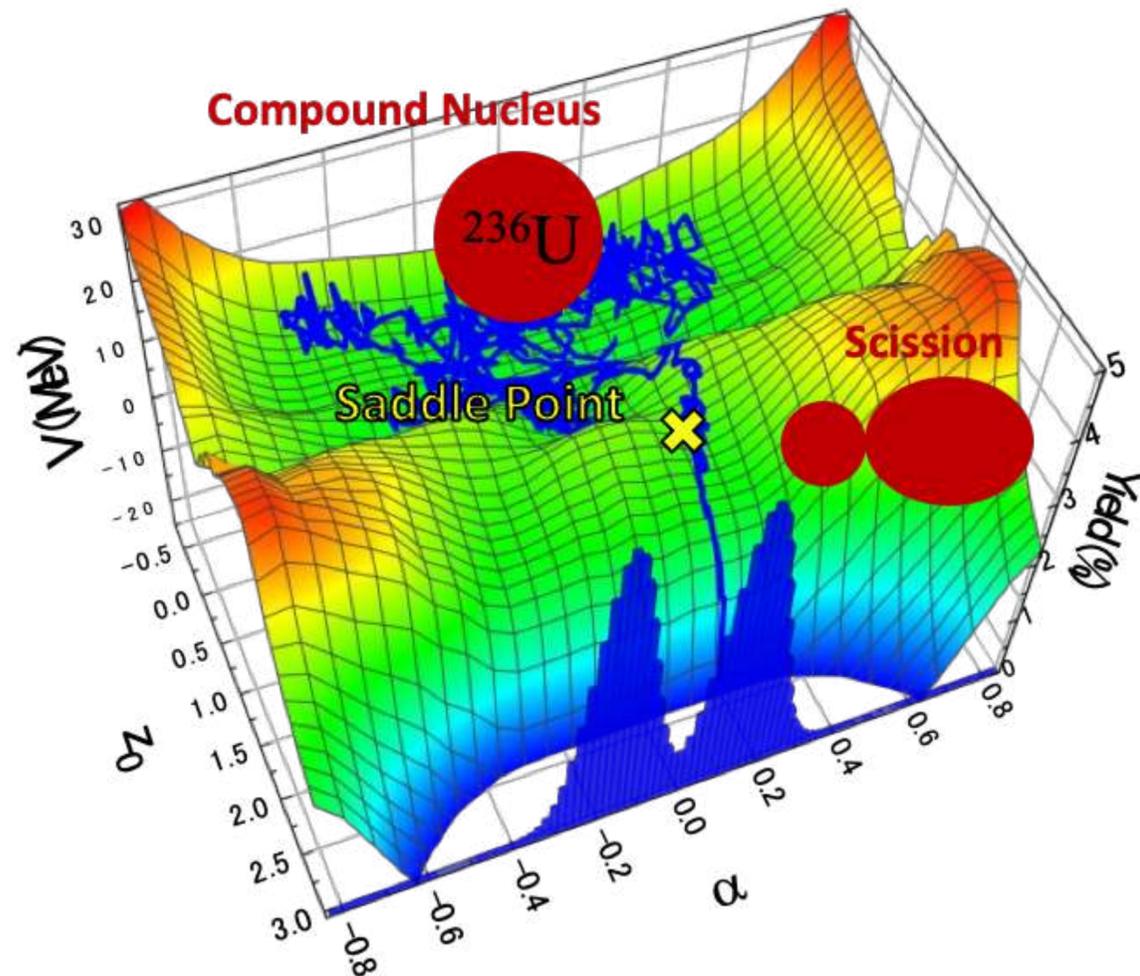
Two-center parametrization: $q\{z, \delta, \alpha\}$

(Maruhn & Greiner 1972)

z : center of mass distance

δ : deformation

α : mass asymmetry



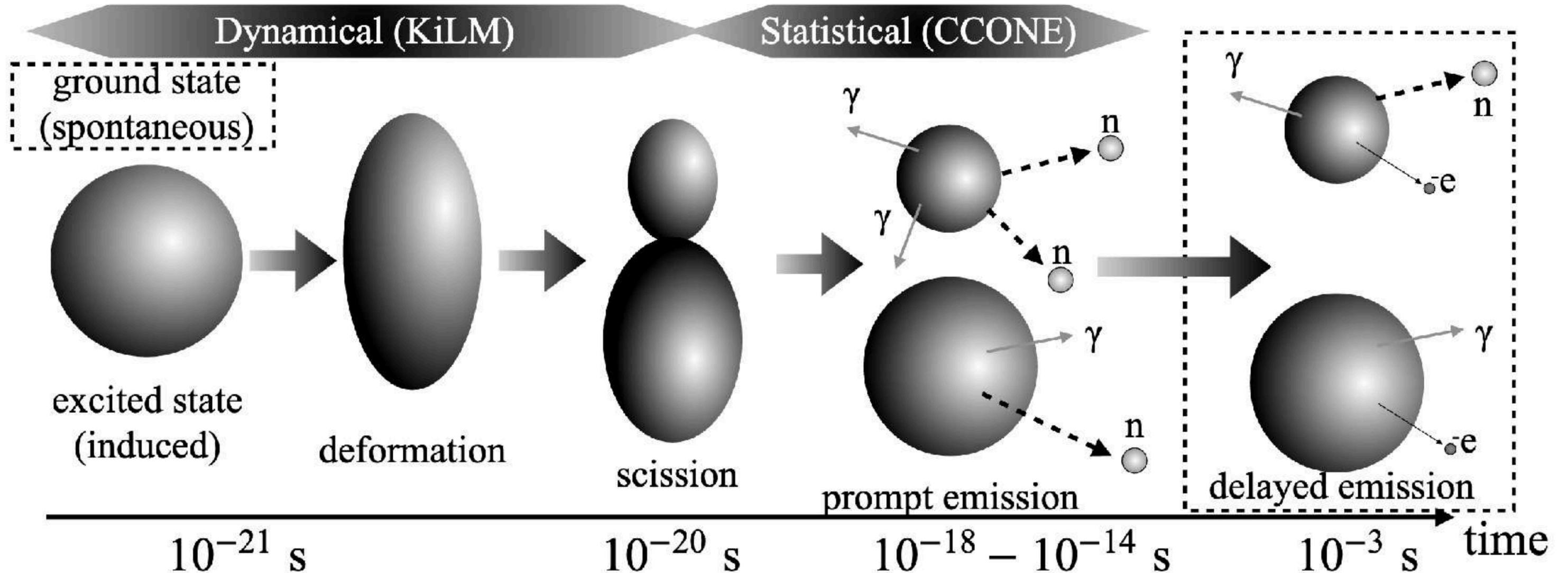
A hybrid method: dynamical + statical models

toward complete fission yields for r-process

theoretical data \leftrightarrow astrophysical nucleosynthesis

fission process has several experimental data \rightarrow comparison

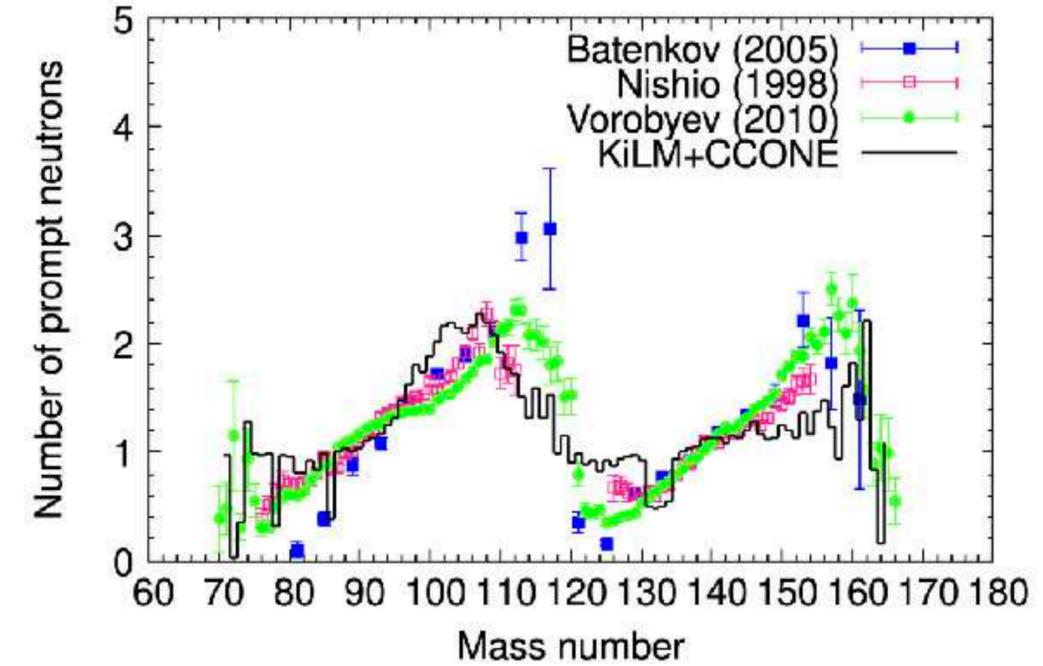
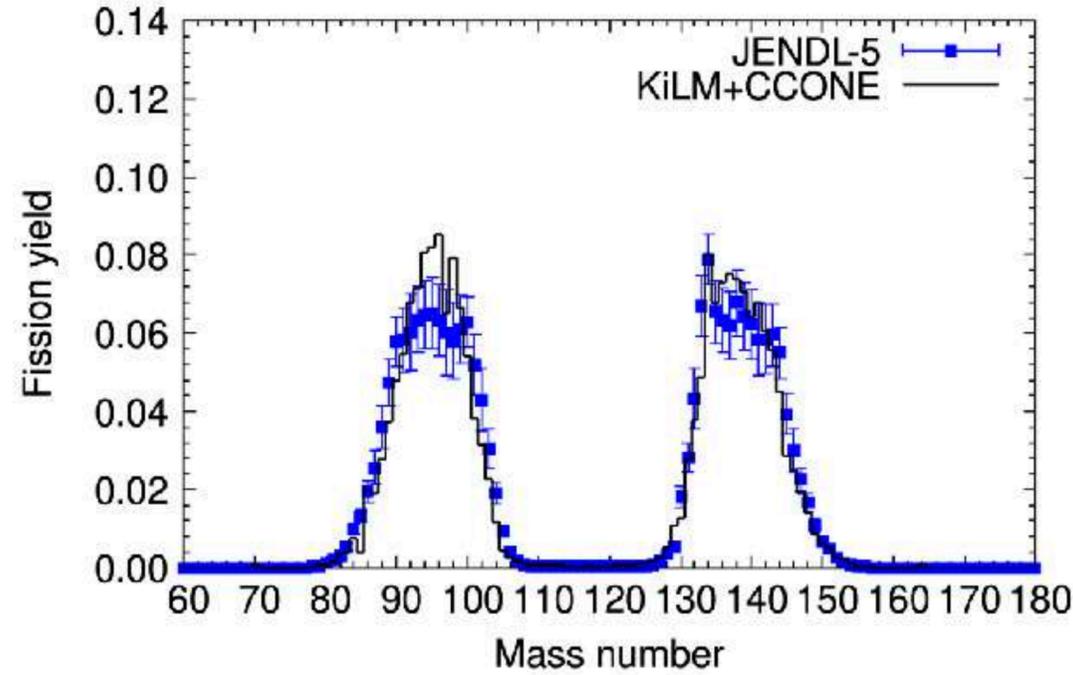
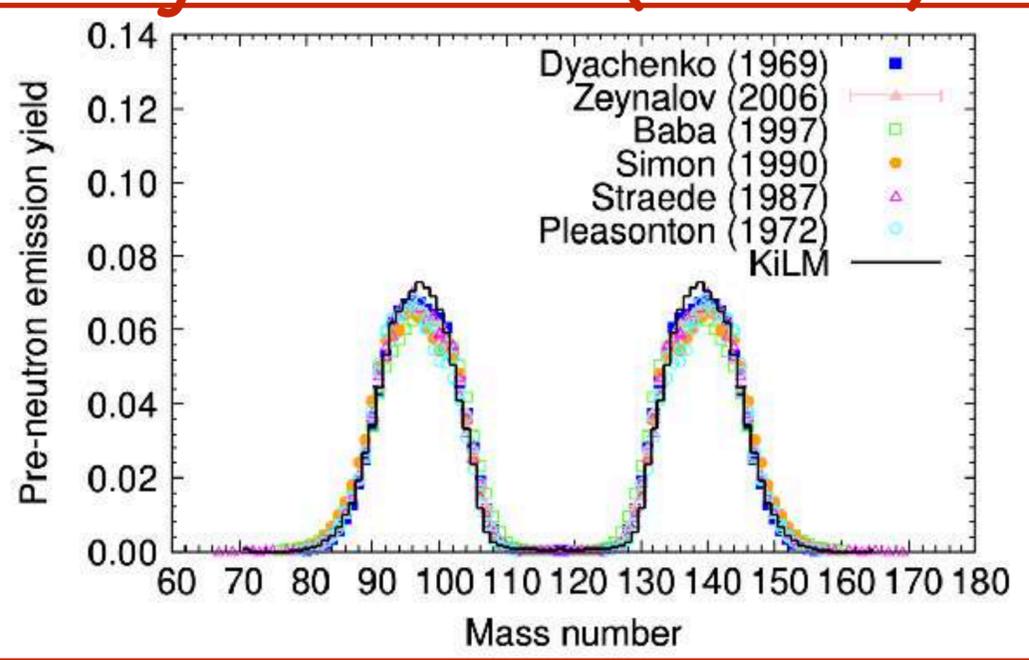
Tanaka, NN+2023



^{236}U ($E^*=9$ MeV) ^{236}U : fission + n emission

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dynamical (KiLM)



multiplicity $\langle n \rangle = 2.574$ (experiment : 2.413)



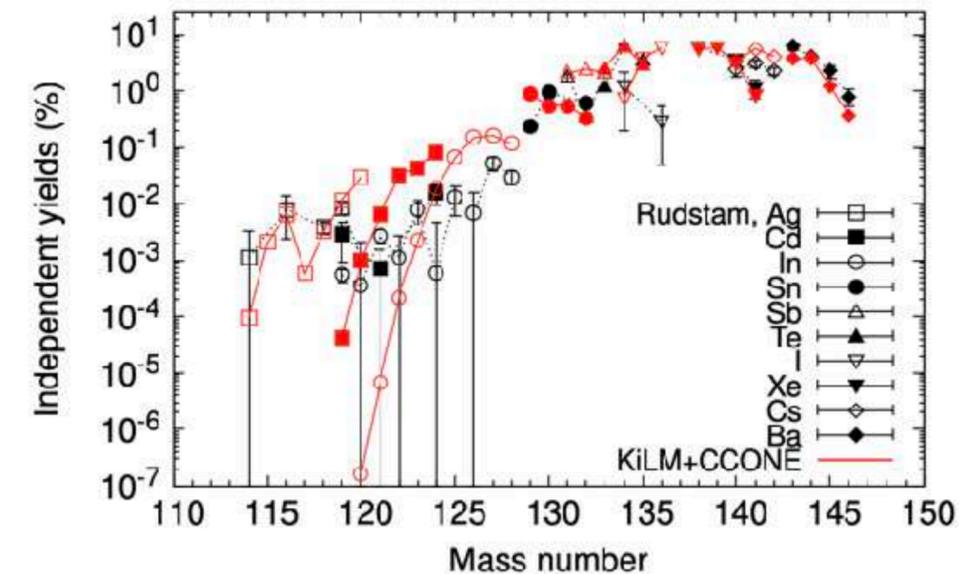
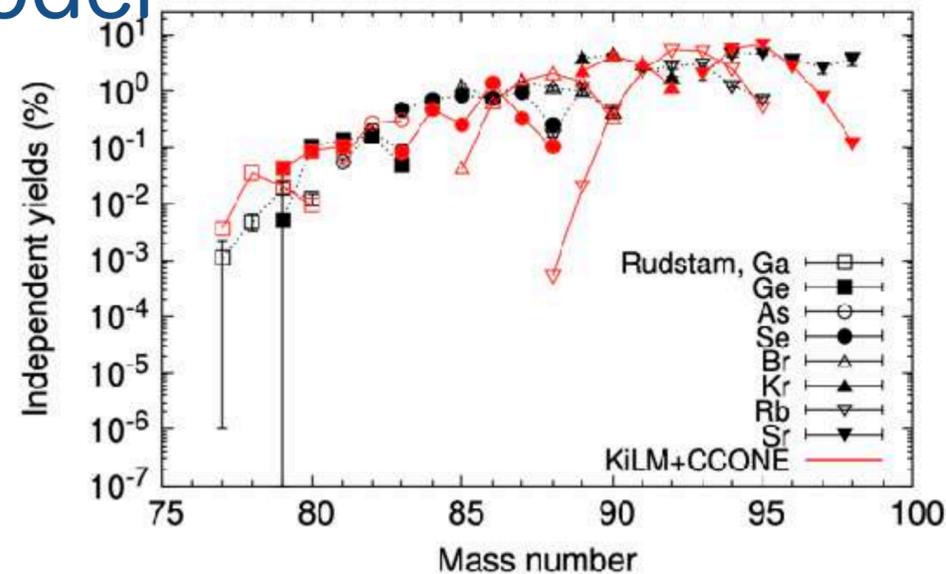
identify isotopes with UCD

statistical model
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3D Langevin code

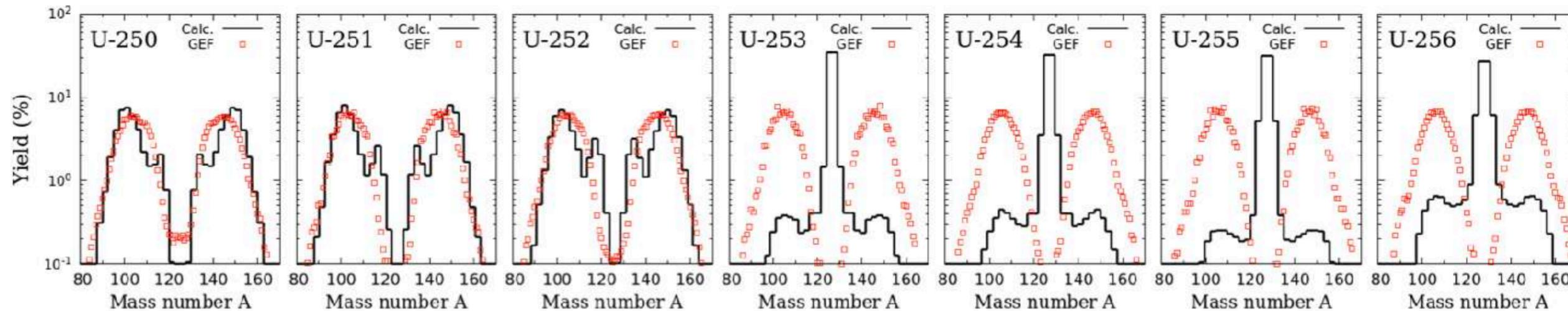
“KiLM” code

(Kindai U Langevin Model)



Nuclear fission of neutron-rich nuclei

GEF (red) vs. KiLM (dynamical model) (black)



→ affects r-process

future experiments (KISS II by KEK & RIKEN)

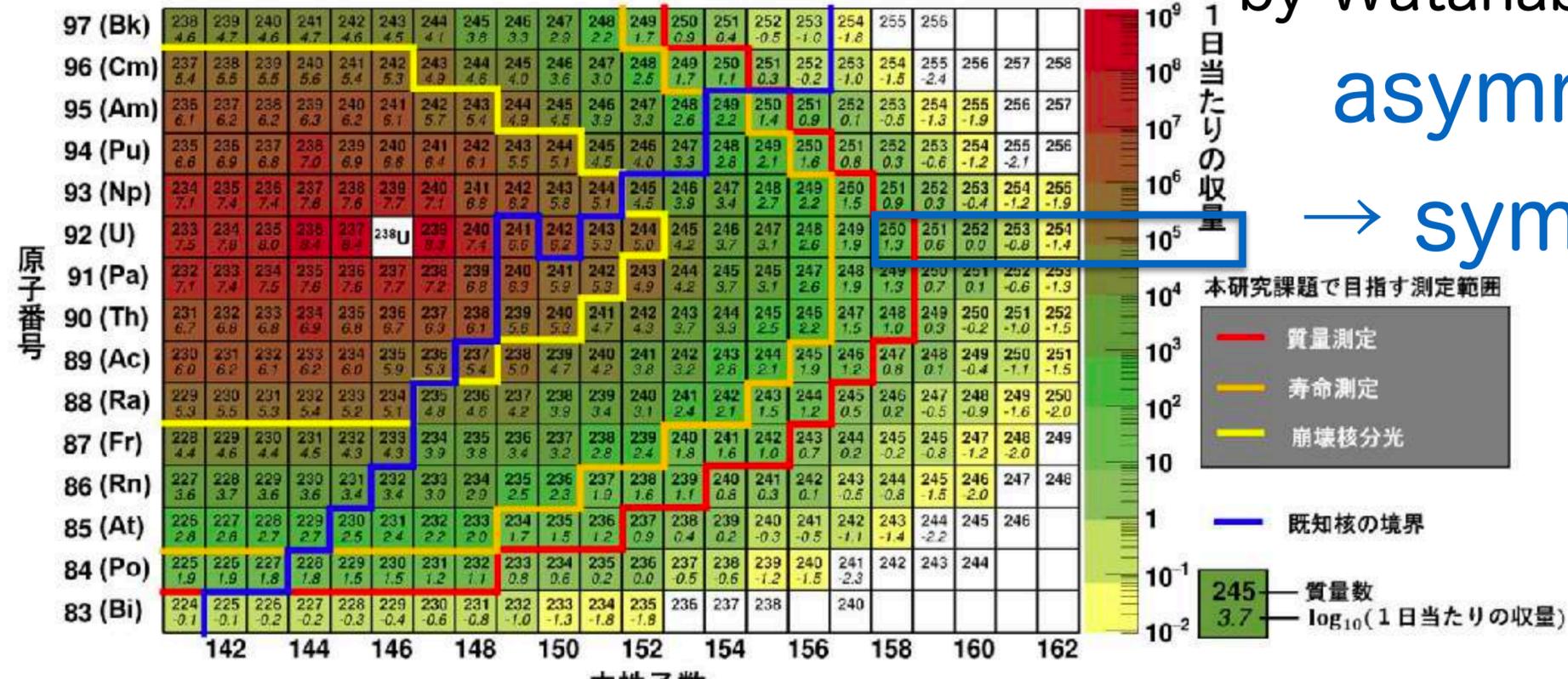
toward neutron-rich U

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by Watanabe (KEK)

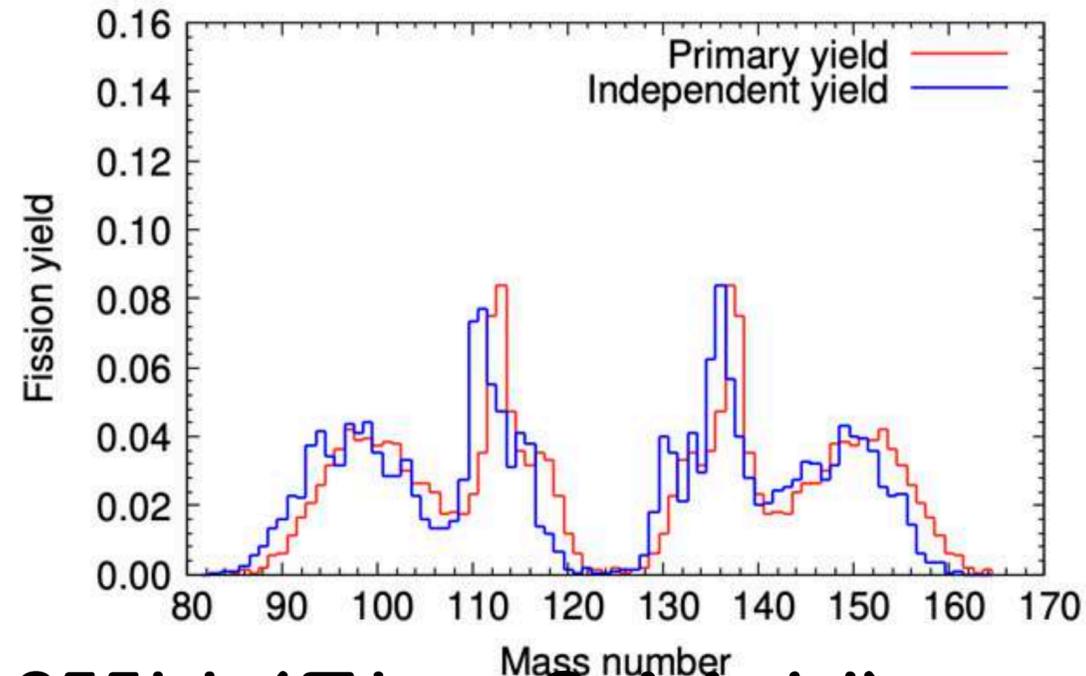
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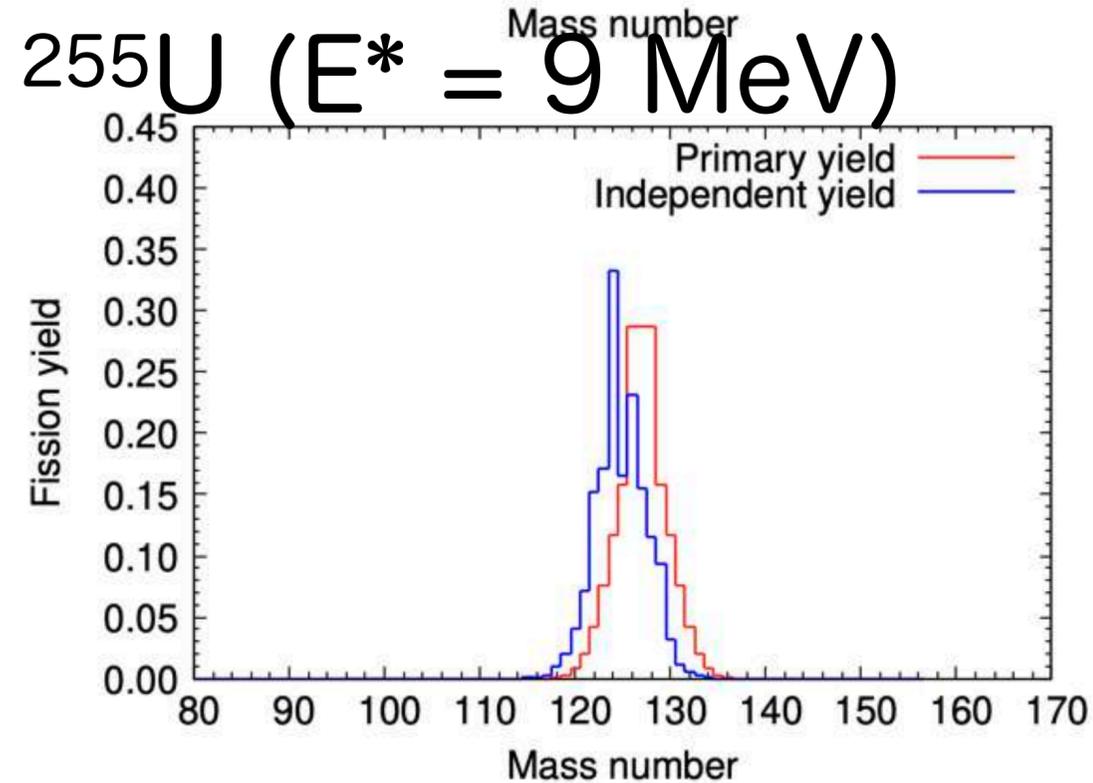


250, 255U : fission + prompt n emission

^{250}U ($E^* = 9 \text{ MeV}$) $\langle n \rangle = 2.574$ for ^{236}U

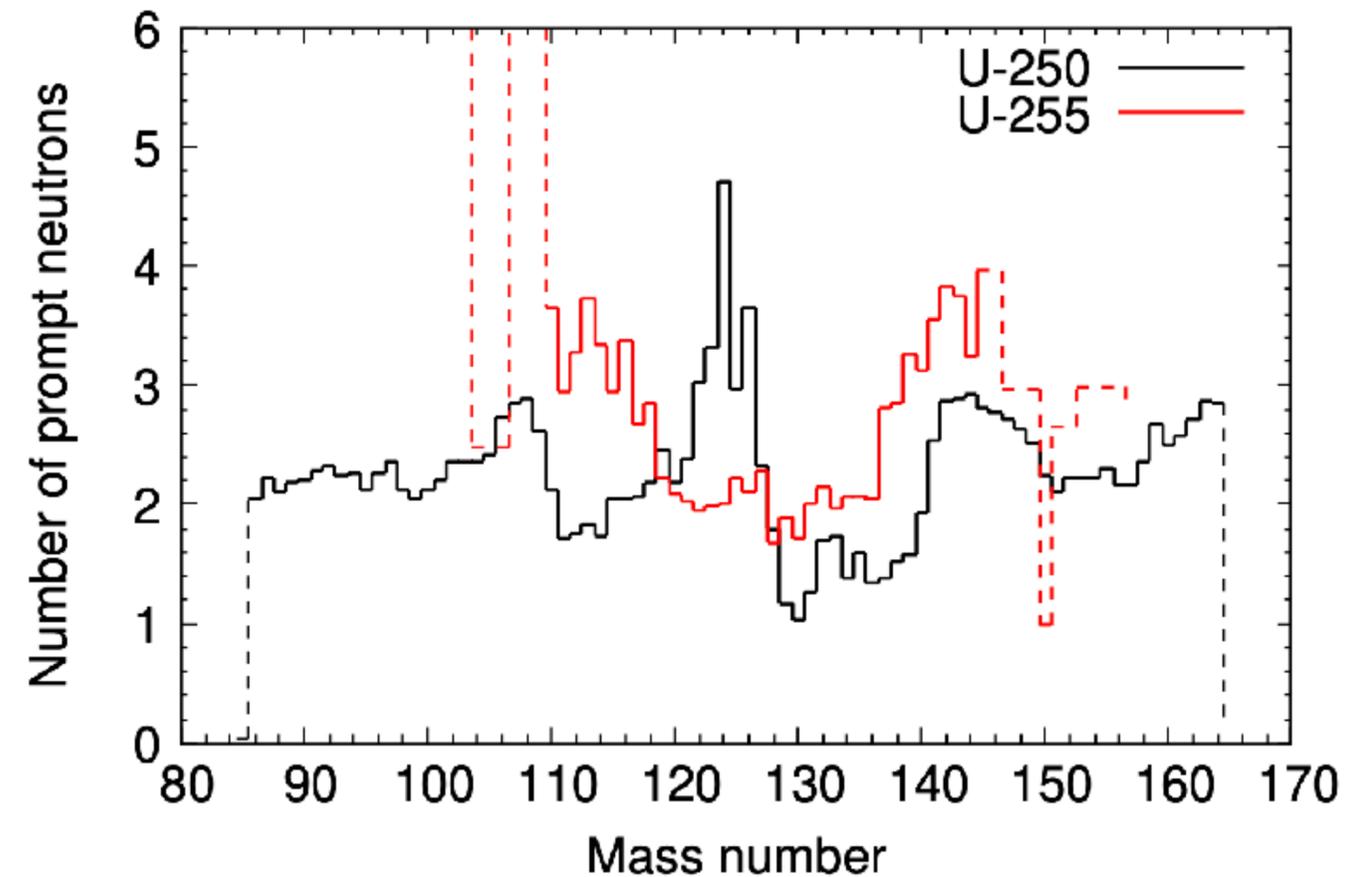


$$\langle n \rangle = 4.185$$



$$\langle n \rangle = 3.434$$

number of n emission



Tanaka, NN+2023

Summary

1. ν p-process in core-collapse supernovae

- improving reaction rates may reproduce the solar $^{92}\text{Mo}/^{94}\text{Mo}$
- key reactions of ν p-process for determining $^{92}\text{Mo}/^{94}\text{Mo}$:
first priority: $^{92}\text{Mo}(p,g)^{93}\text{Tc}$ (second $^{93}\text{Tc}(p,g)^{94}\text{Ru}$)

2. r-process in magneto-rotational SNe

- possible alternative site, but still hypothetical
- We found a parameter region where the r-process can be identified in future optical observations

3. r-process in neutron-star mergers

- ^{236}U : we reproduces experiments
- applying n-rich U: the difference of asymmetric to symmetric fission has impacts on the number of emitted neutrons $\langle n \rangle$