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Dark Matter-Induced Baryonic Feedback in Galaxies

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Overview

How does baryonic feedback due to dark matter ignition of Type Ia supernovae influence galaxy structure?

- I. Type Ia Supernovae Induced By Heavy Dark Matter
- II. Baryonic Feedback Processes in Galaxy Structure
- III. Dark Matter-Induced Baryonic Feedback in GIZMO Simulation

Sub-Chandrasekhar Type Ia Supernovae?

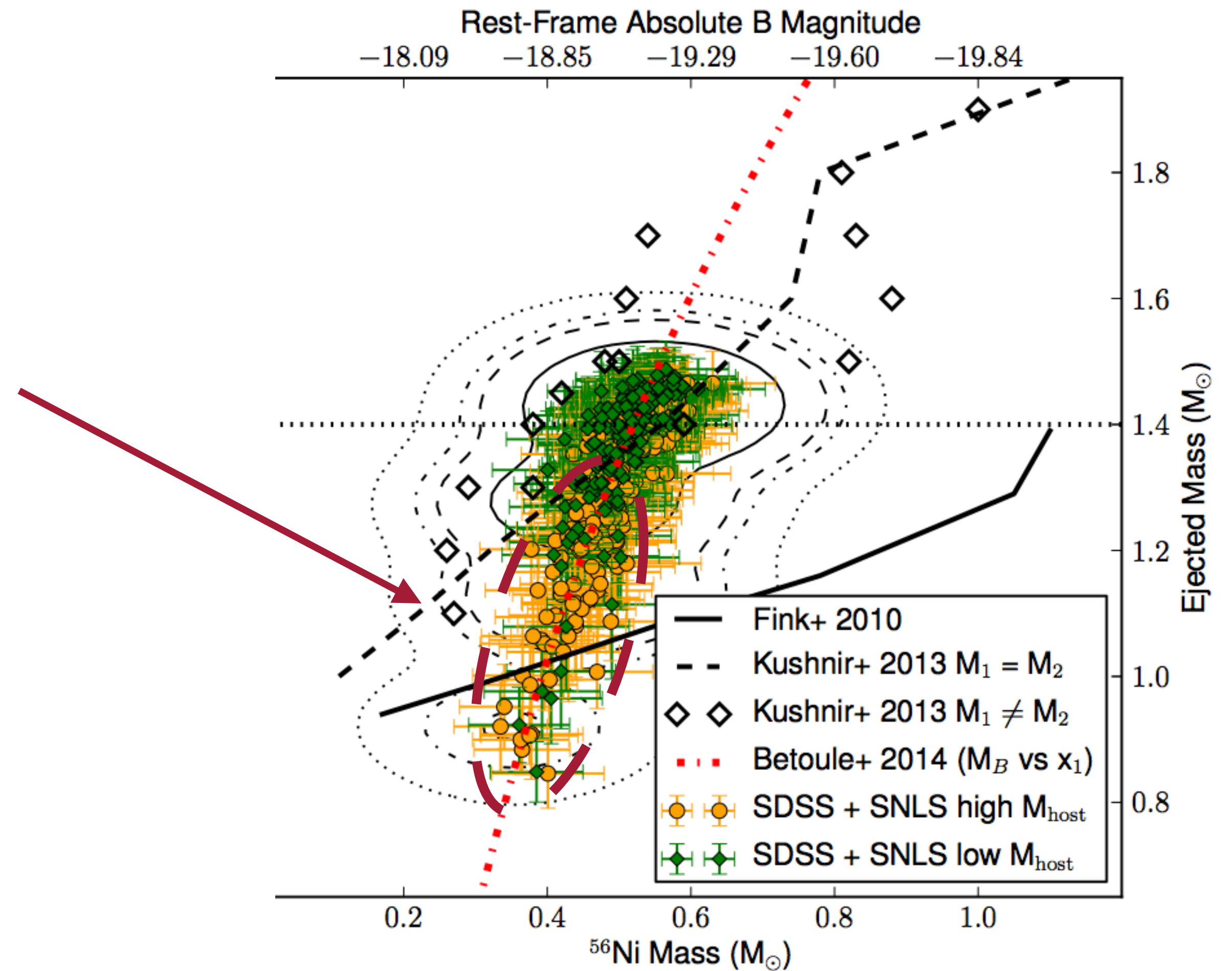
Expect Type Ia supernovae due to gravitational collapse of $> 1.4 M_{\odot}$ white dwarfs

Observe a long tail of sub-Chandrasekhar mass SNIa

White dwarf binary mergers?

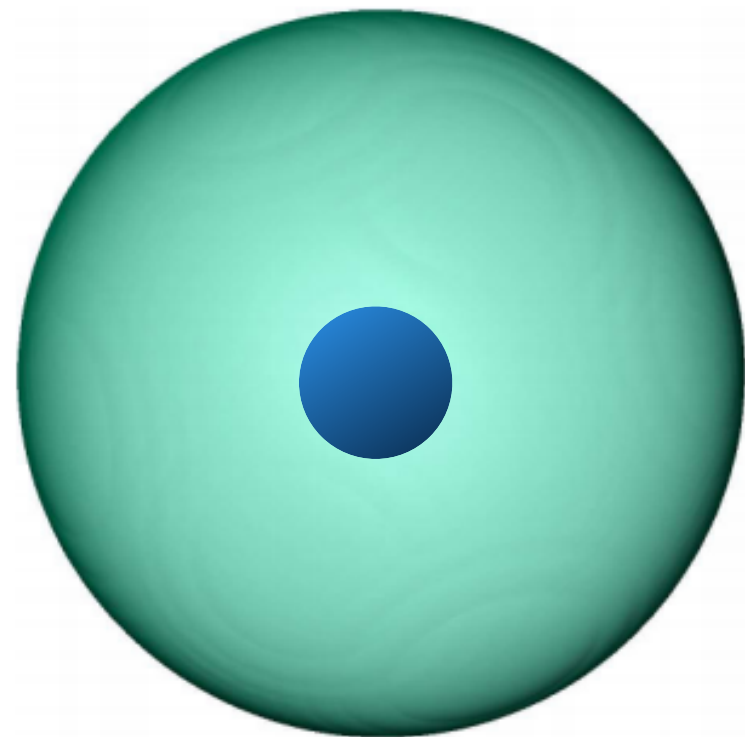
Matter accretion from binary systems?

How can lone sub-Chandrasekhar white dwarfs lead to Type Ia supernovae?



Scalzo et al. 1408.6601

Dark Matter Igniting White Dwarfs



Ignition region inside WD

Incoming DM particles

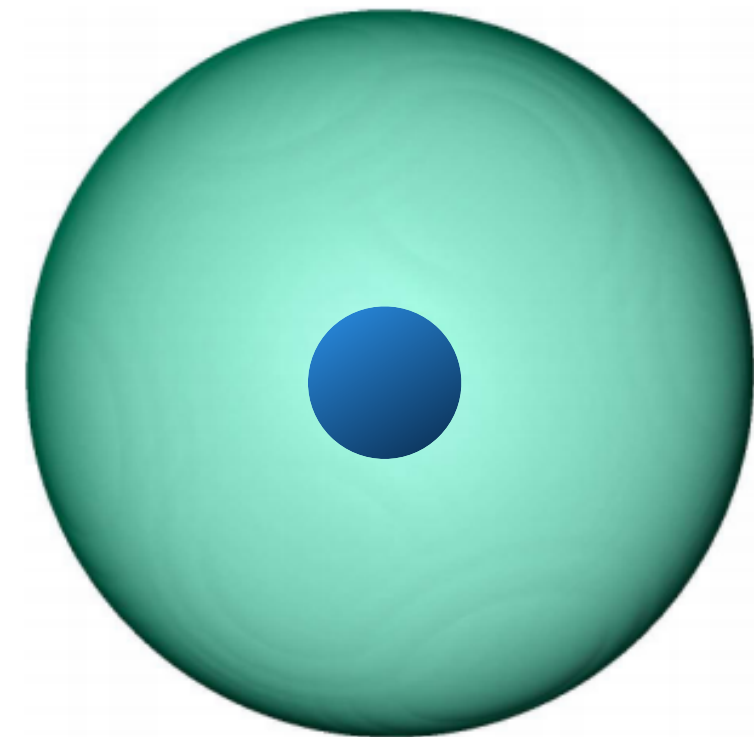
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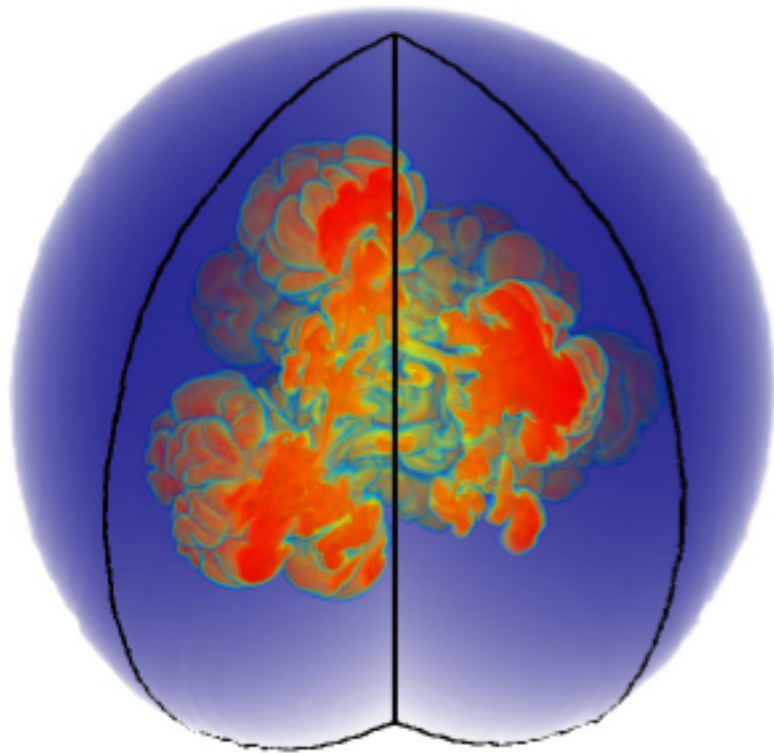
$$\rho_{X, sphere} \geq \rho_{wd}$$

$$M_{crit} \propto m_X^{-1}, \rho_{wd}^{-1}, T_{core}$$

Dark matter sphere reaches critical mass for self-gravitation



Gravitational collapse heats white dwarf core via scattering with nuclei, sparking a supernova



Ignition by Heavy Asymmetric Dark Matter

Asymmetric: no self-annihilation interactions, allows dark matter core to grow

Heavy: thermalizes within a smaller volume
shorter capture time for collapse

$$t_{cap} \propto v_X, m_X^{-1}, \rho_{wd}^{-1}, \rho_X^{-1}, \sigma_{nX}^{-1}$$

Vector Portal Model

Higgs Portal Model

Baryonic Feedback and Galaxy Structure



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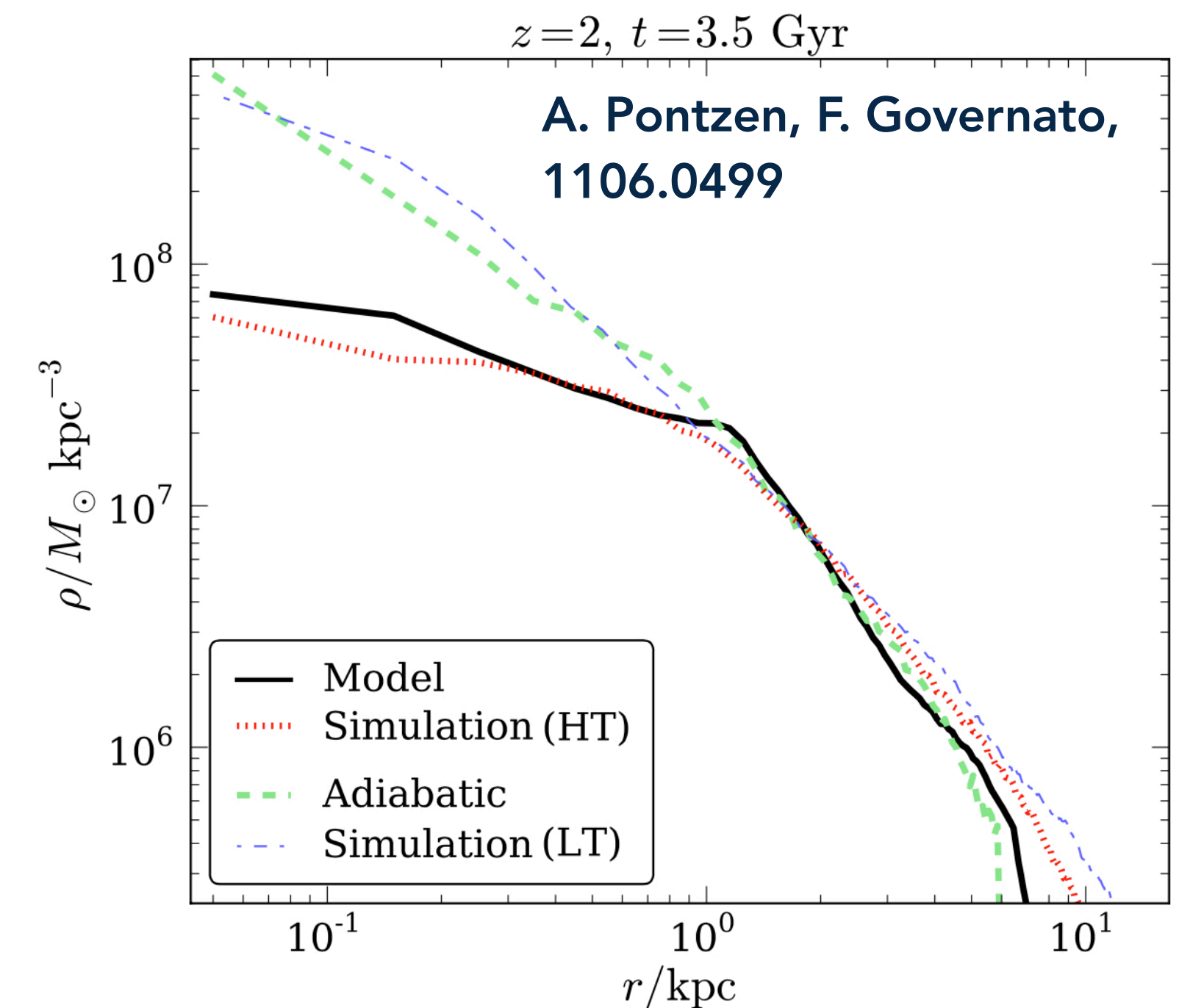
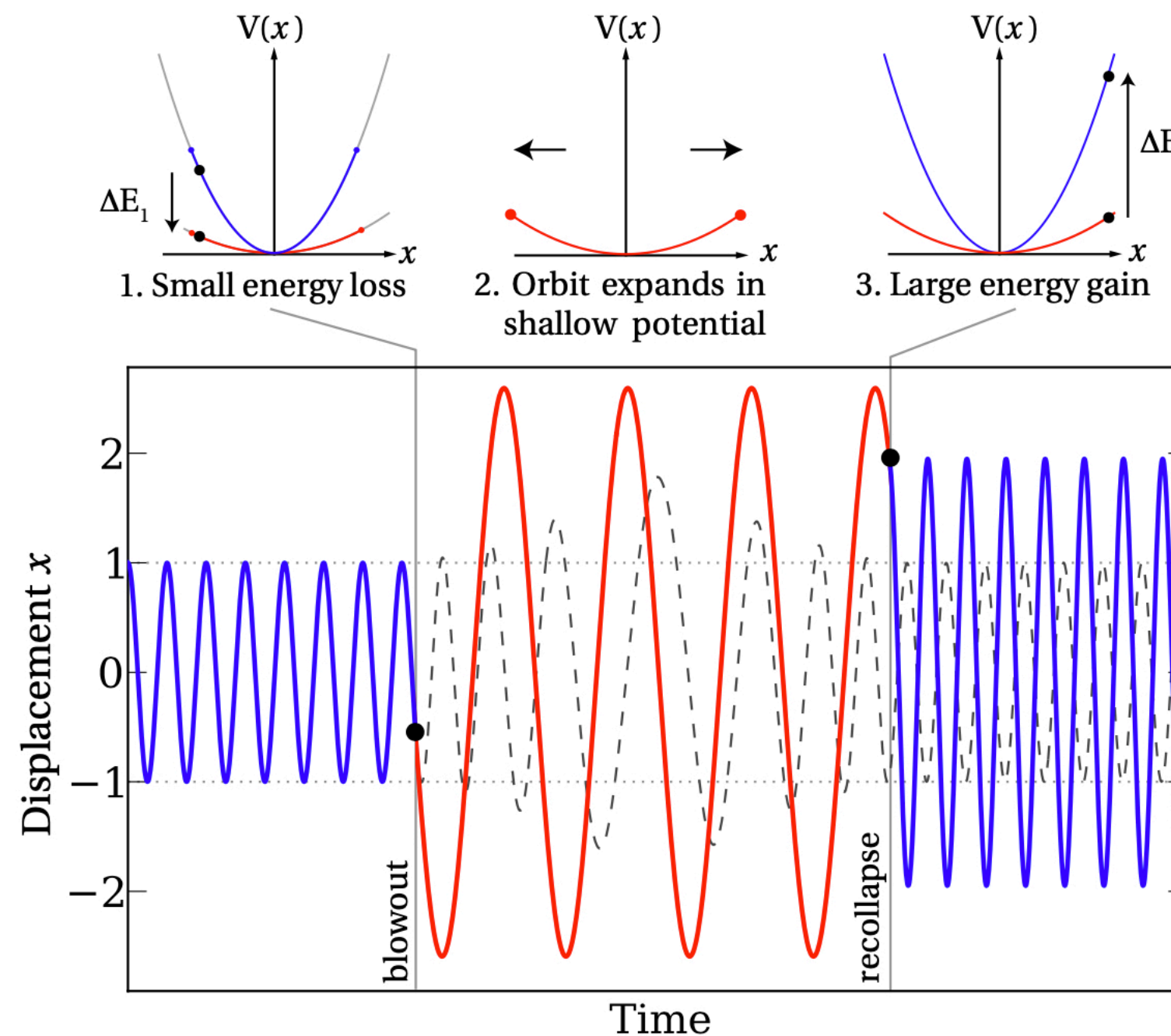
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If dark matter induces feedback:

Explosion time depends on local dark matter distribution
and dark matter density is affected by feedback
Heavier white dwarfs explode sooner

**Compare these effects in different simulations of an isolated
dwarf galaxy**

DM-Driven Baryonic Feedback Simulation

Initial Conditions: MakeNewDisk

Galaxy Simulation: GIZMO

| Isolated Dwarf Galaxy 1.86 x 10 ⁹ solar masses | | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------------|
| Galaxy Component | Mass Fraction | Number of Particles |
| Dark matter halo | 0.9615 | 480750 |
| Gas disk | 0.0175 | 8750 |
| Stellar disk | 0.0175 | 8750 |
| Stellar bulge | 0.0035 | 1750 |
| Particle mass: 3721 solar masses | | |

M. Smith et al 1709.03515

- $t = 0$

star particle formed

stellar population calculated from Chabrier IMF
- $t = 5 \text{ Myr}$

core-collapse supernovae

AGORA model, J. Kim et al. 1610.03066
- $t = t_{MS}$

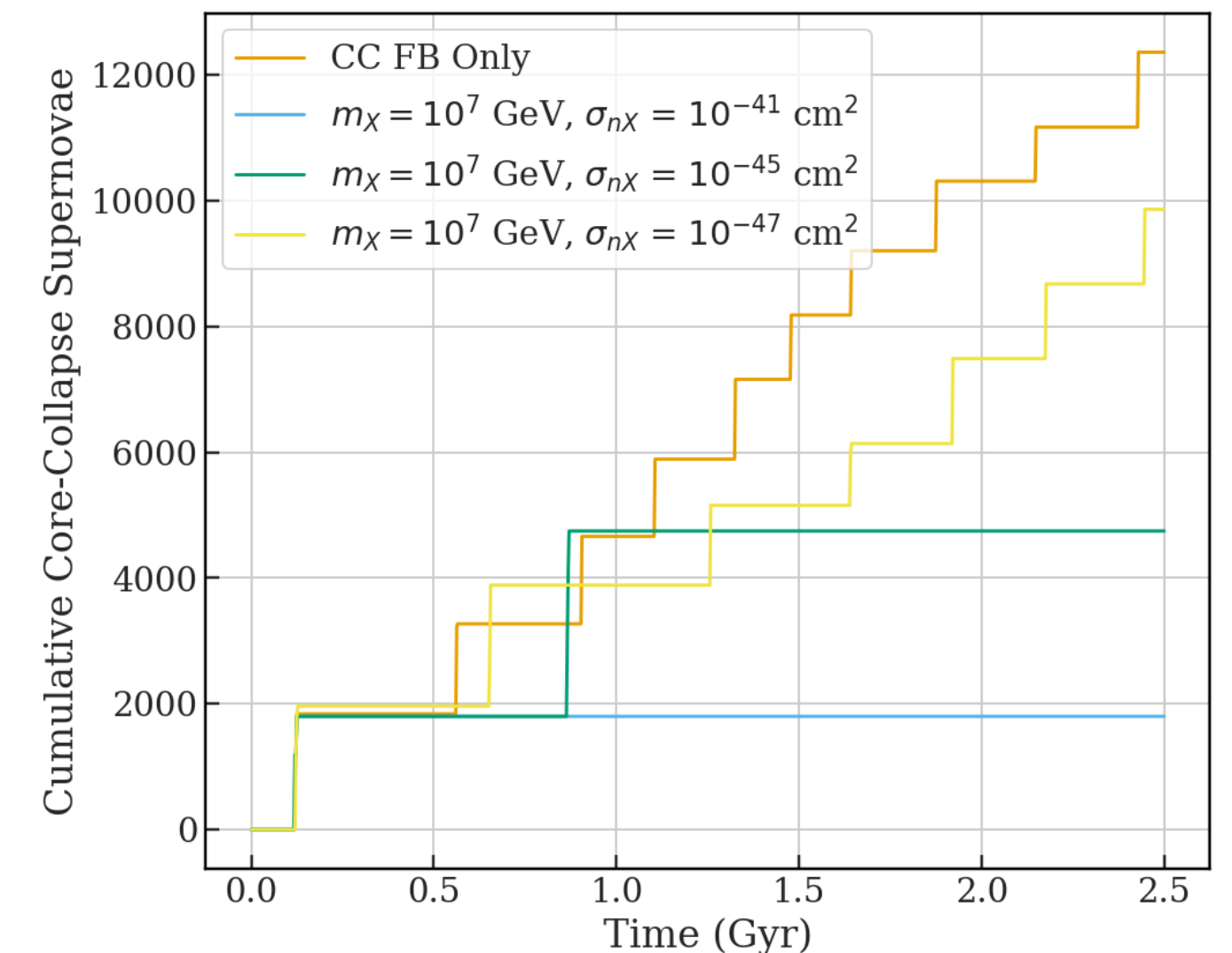
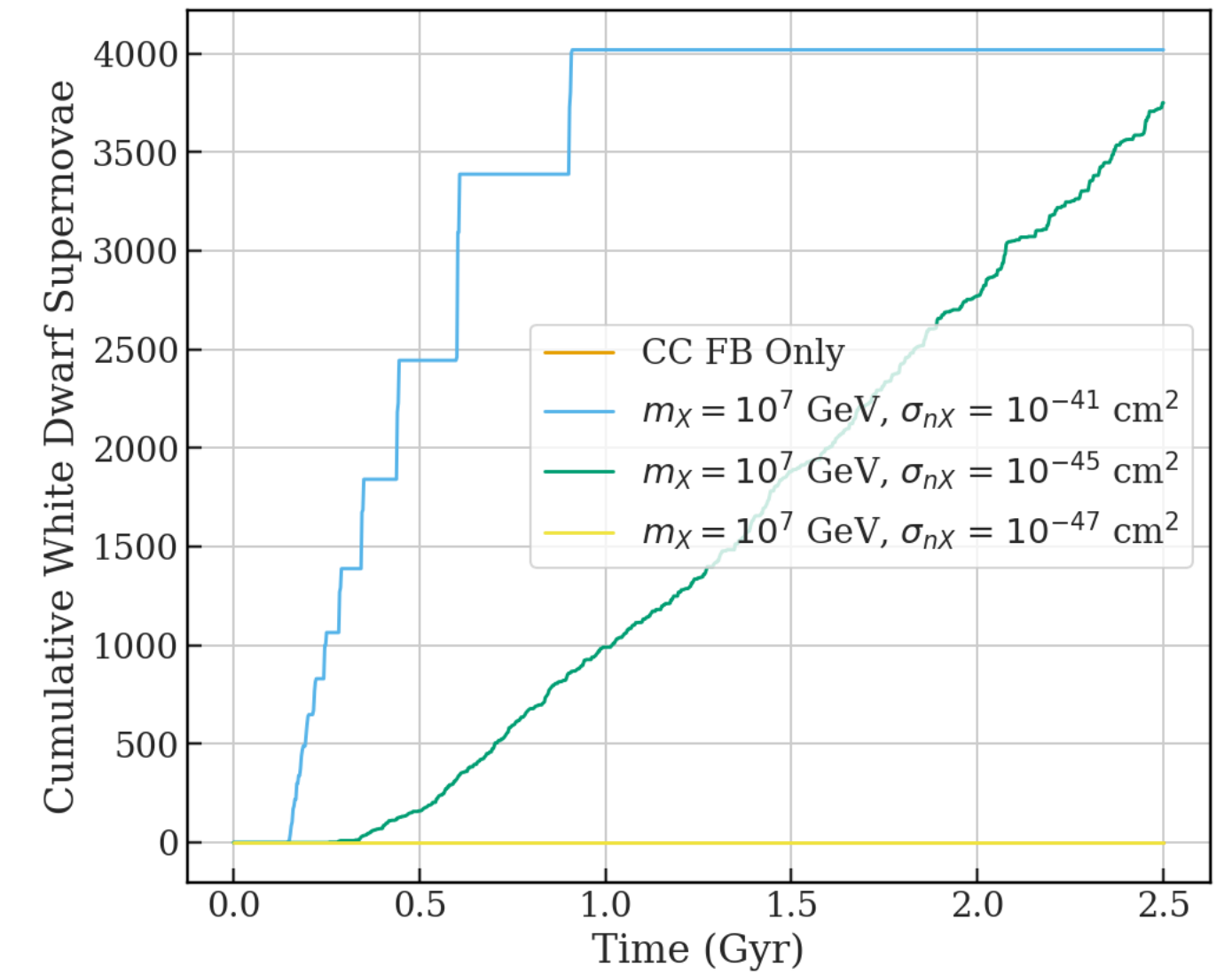
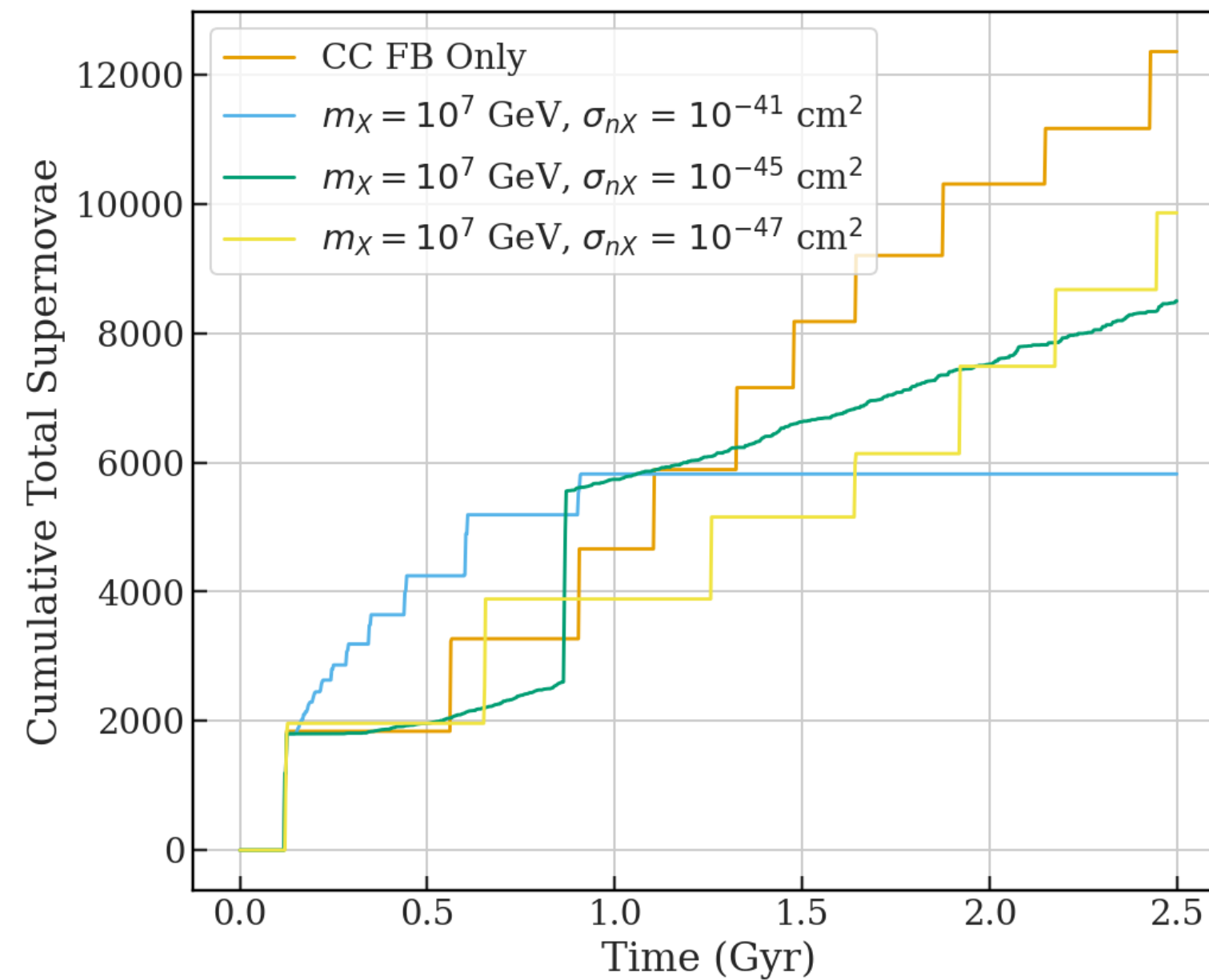
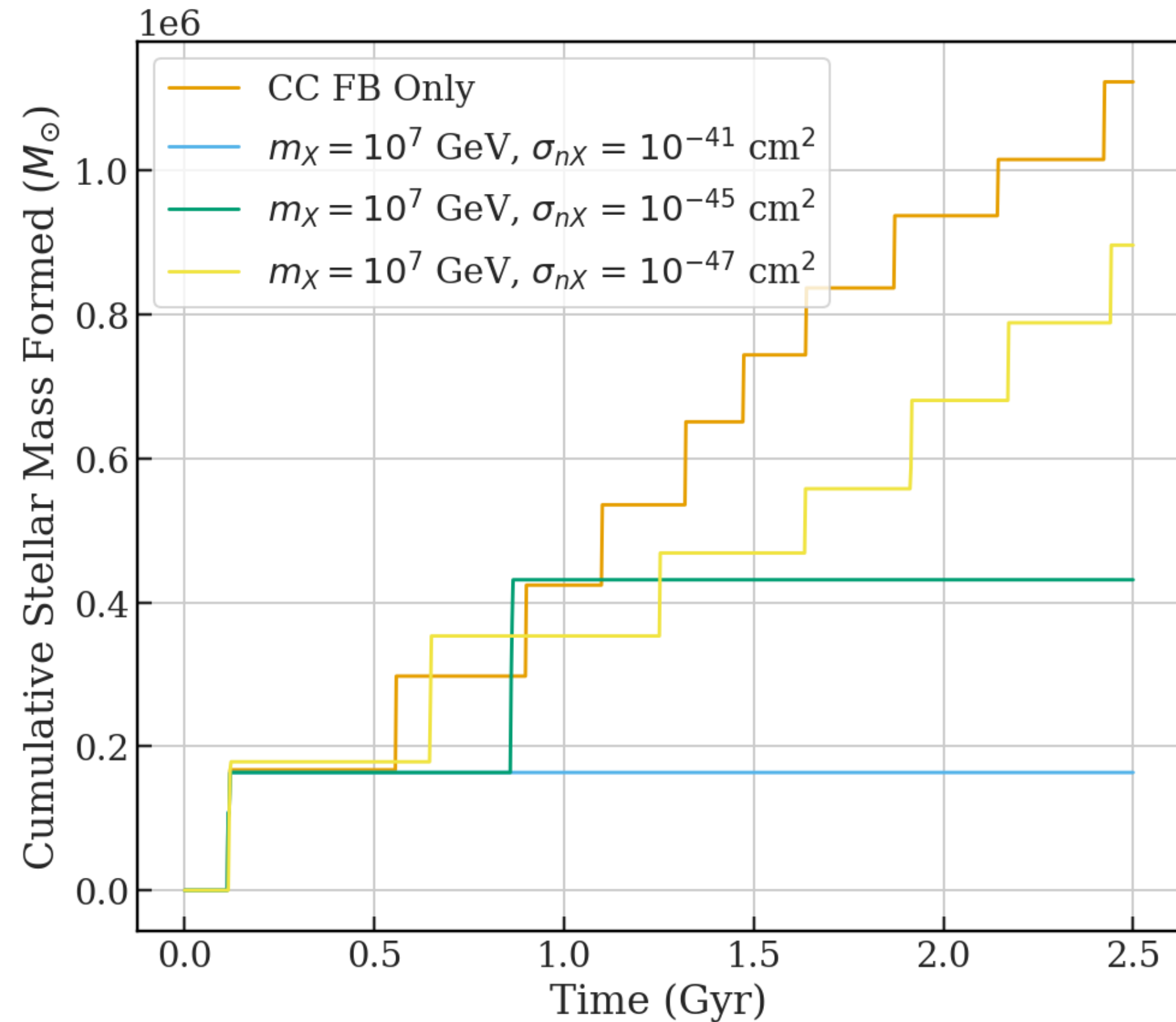
white dwarf formation, $0.8 - 1.4 M_{\odot}$

explosion time calculated using local v_X, ρ_X

$t_{cap} \propto v_X, m_X^{-1}, \rho_{wd}^{-1}, \rho_X^{-1}, \sigma_{nX}^{-1}$
- $t = t_{cap}$

type Ia supernovae

Star Formation Suppression

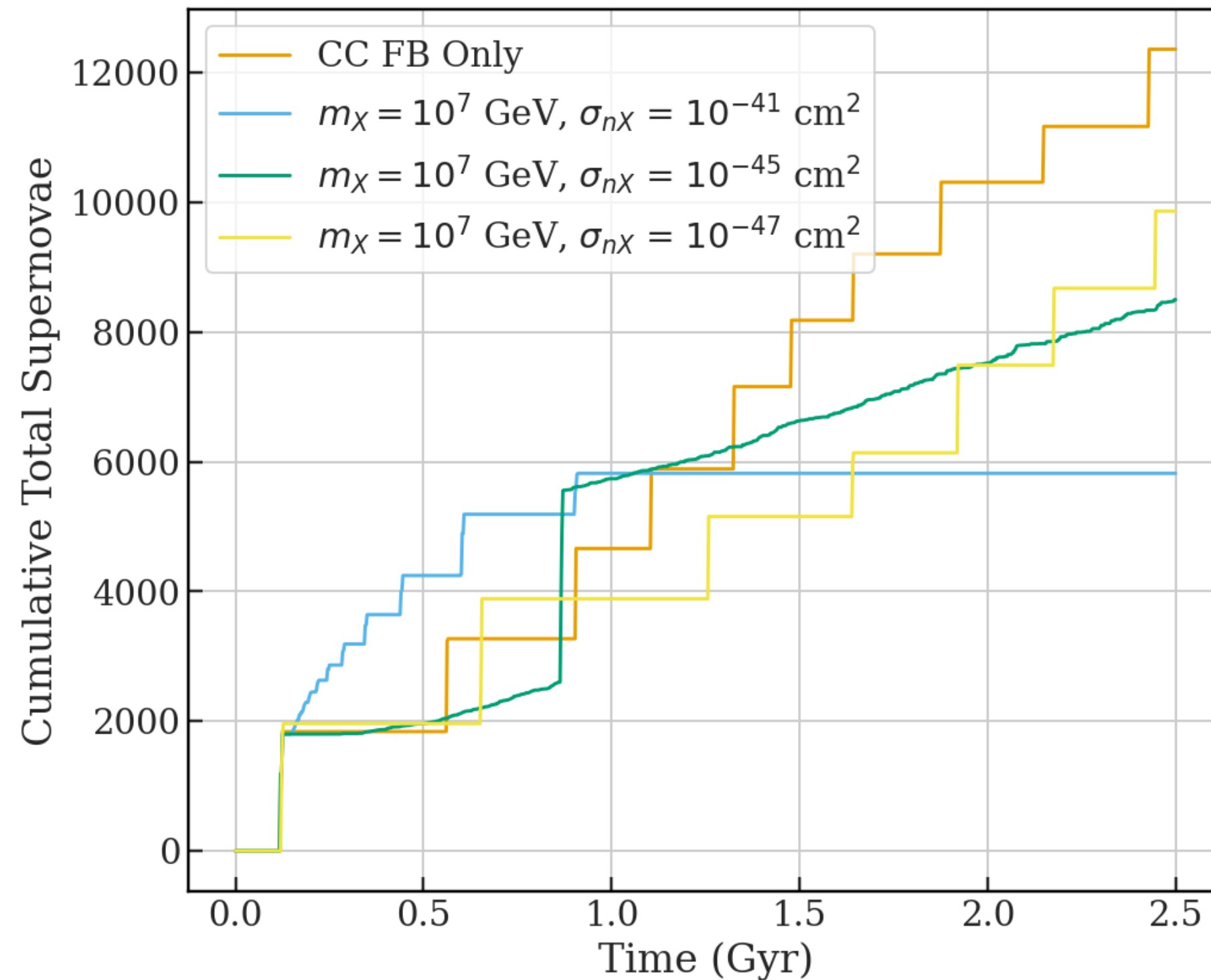


High cross-sections: complete gas blowout, suppressing star formation and subsequent supernovae

Intermediate cross-sections: star formation epochs slowed

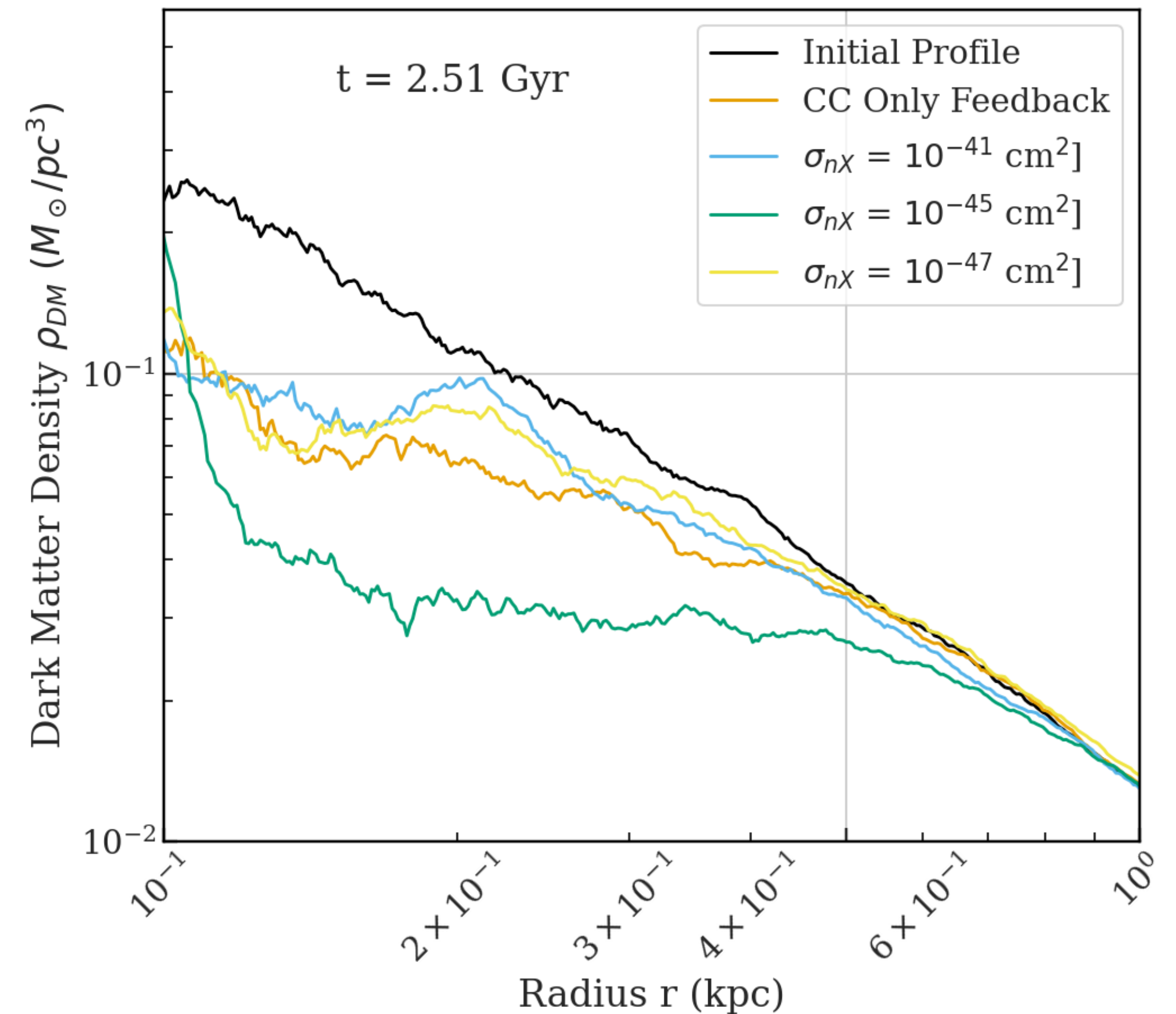
Preliminary Results

Baryonic Feedback Creating Cored Halo Profiles



High cross-section: baryonic feedback effects shut off by suppressed star formation

Intermediate cross-section: long period of sustained supernova explosions allows more efficient flattening



Conclusions and Next Steps

Dark baryonic feedback in a small dwarf galaxy can affect star formation and dark matter profiles

Sufficient dark baryonic feedback could “shut itself off”, decreasing long-term feedback effects

Next steps:

Simulation of larger galaxy

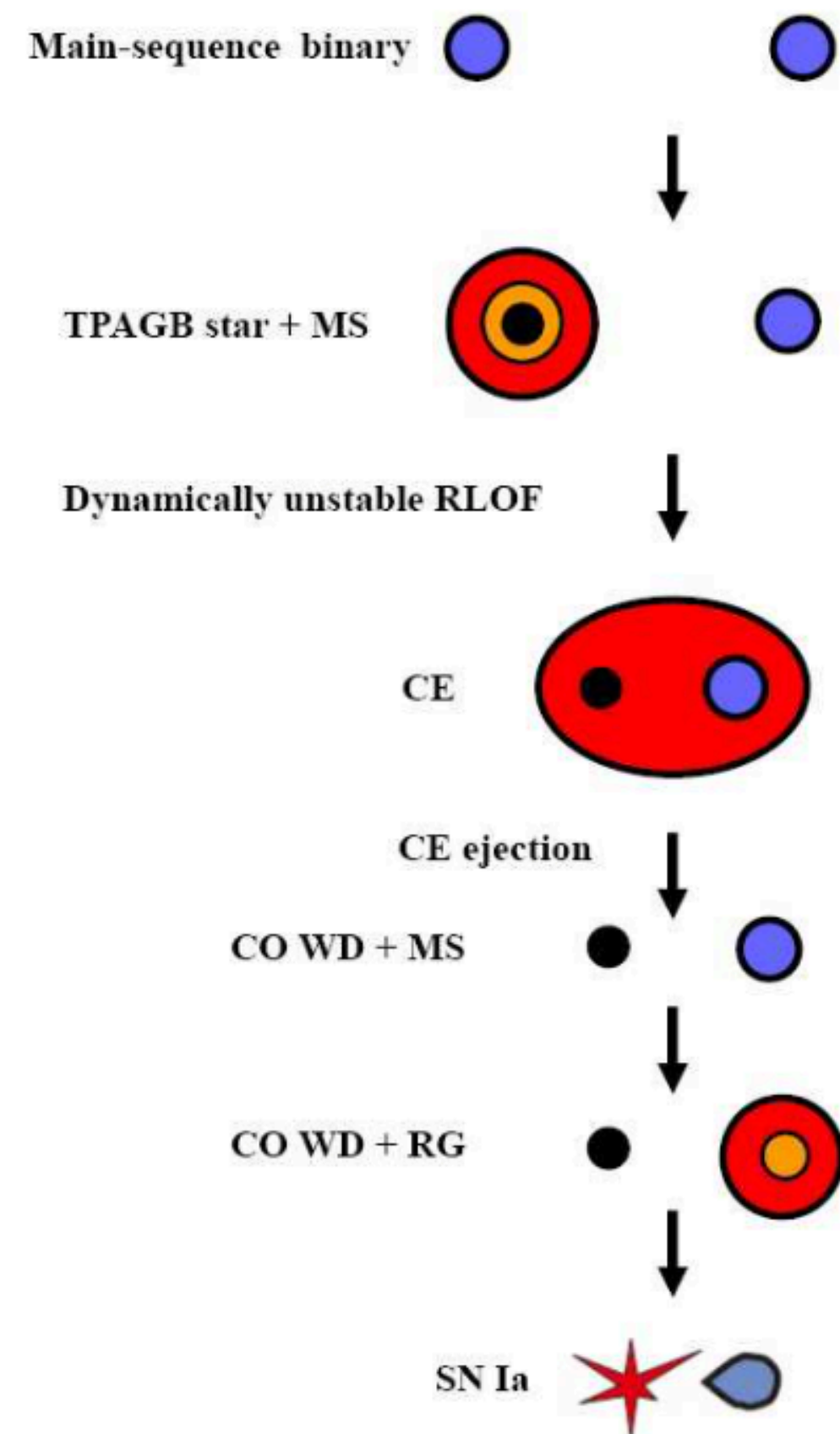
greater difference in ρ_X : more explosions in the central region

Improve modelling of energy ejection for type Ia supernovae

Incorporate dark baryonic feedback during galaxy formation

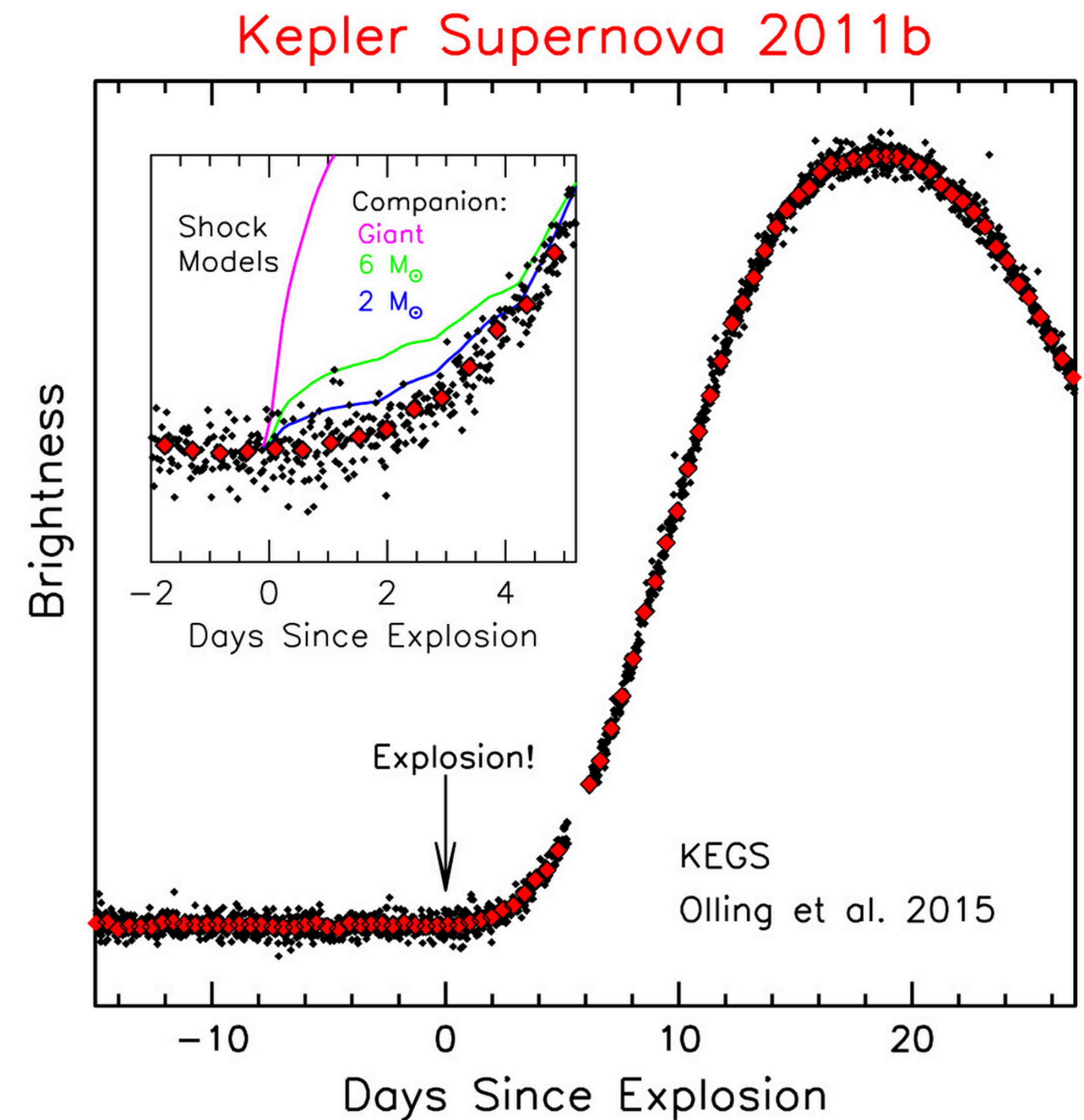
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Main Sequence Binary Ignition



Main Sequence Binary Evolution
B. Wang, Z. Han 1204.1155

SNe ejecta collide with companion star: expect a "shock" spike in the light curve



Capture, Thermalization and Collapse Timescales

Capture: $\dot{m}_X \approx \text{Min} \left[3 \times 10^{27} \frac{\text{GeV}}{\text{s}}, 6 \times 10^{24} \frac{\text{GeV}}{\text{s}} \left(\frac{10^8 \text{ GeV}}{m_X} \right) \left(\frac{\sigma_{nX}}{10^{-42} \text{ cm}^2} \right) \right] \times \left(\frac{\rho_X}{0.3 \text{ GeV/cm}^3} \right) \left(\frac{10^{-3}}{\bar{v}} \right)$

First Thermalization: $t_1^{th} \lesssim 10^{-4} \text{ yrs} \left(\frac{10^{-40} \text{ cm}^2}{\sigma_{nX}} \right) \left(\frac{m_X}{10^6 \text{ GeV}} \right) \left(\frac{1.4 M_\odot}{M} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}} \left(\frac{R}{2500 \text{ km}} \right)^{\frac{7}{2}}$

Second Thermalization: $t_2^{th} \approx 20 \text{ yrs} \left(\frac{10^{-40} \text{ cm}^2}{\sigma_{nX}} \right) \left(\frac{m_X}{10^6 \text{ GeV}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{10^7 \text{ K}}{T} \right)^{\frac{5}{2}}$

Collapse: $r_{th} = \sqrt{\frac{9T}{4\pi G \rho_{wd} m_X}} \approx 30 \text{ m} \left(\frac{10^6 \text{ GeV}}{m_X} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{10^9 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{cm}^3}}{\rho_{wd}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{T}{10^7 \text{ K}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

$$N_{sg} = \frac{M_{crit}}{m_X} \approx 6 \times 10^{37} \left(\frac{10^6 \text{ GeV}}{m_X} \right)^{\frac{5}{2}} \left(\frac{10^9 \frac{\text{g}}{\text{cm}^3}}{\rho_{wd}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{T}{10^7 \text{ K}} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

Bounds from an Old GAIA White Dwarf

