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Status & neutrino probes of failed explosions

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The explosion mechanism

Stalled shock:

The bounce shock stalls, pressure inside balanced by ram pressure outside:

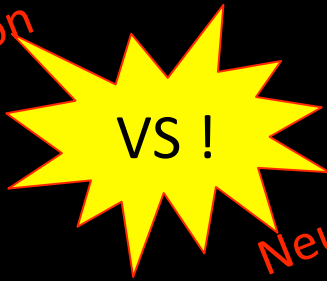
$$p = \rho \Delta v^2$$

The neutrino mechanism:

Deposit a fraction of the energy in neutrinos to behind the shock

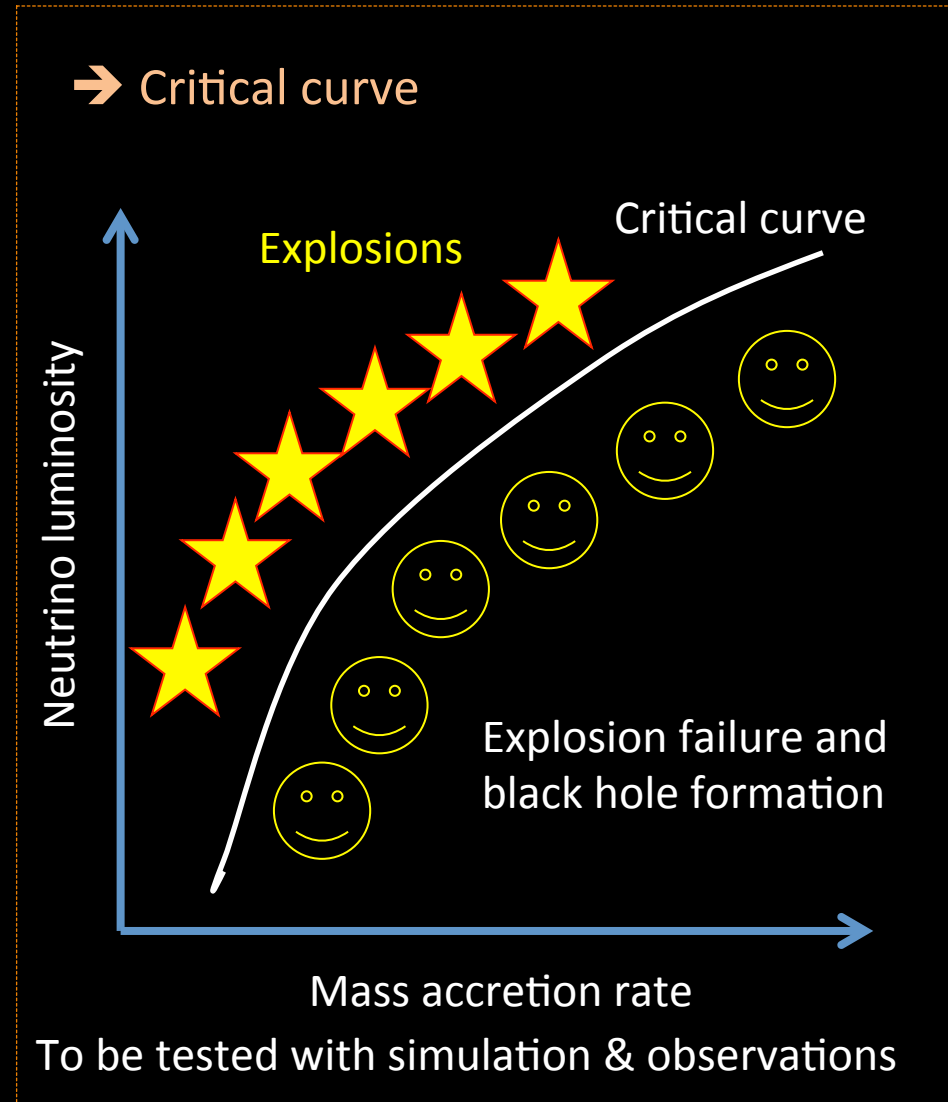
Bethe & Wilson (1985), Colgate et al (1966), ...

Mass accretion



Neutrino heating

Importance of multi-dimensional effects,
General Relativistic treatment, turbulence
vs convection vs SASI



Systematic core-collapse simulations

Sophisticated simulations [no systematic studies yet]

- 3D with neutrino transport
- Few progenitor models
- Address: explosibility, neutrino and GW signals, others

First systematic studies in spherical symmetry

- With parameterized neutrino heating
- $O(100\sim 1000)$ progenitor models
- Address: progenitor dependence, black hole formation, others

*O'Connor & Ott (2011, 2013), Ugliano et al (2012), Pejcha & Thompson (2014)
Ertl et al (2015), Sukhbold et al (2016)*

Systematic studies in axis-symmetry

- With simplified neutrino transport
- $O(10-100)$ progenitor models
- Address: progenitor dependence, SASI, others

Nakamura et al (2015), Summa et al (2016)

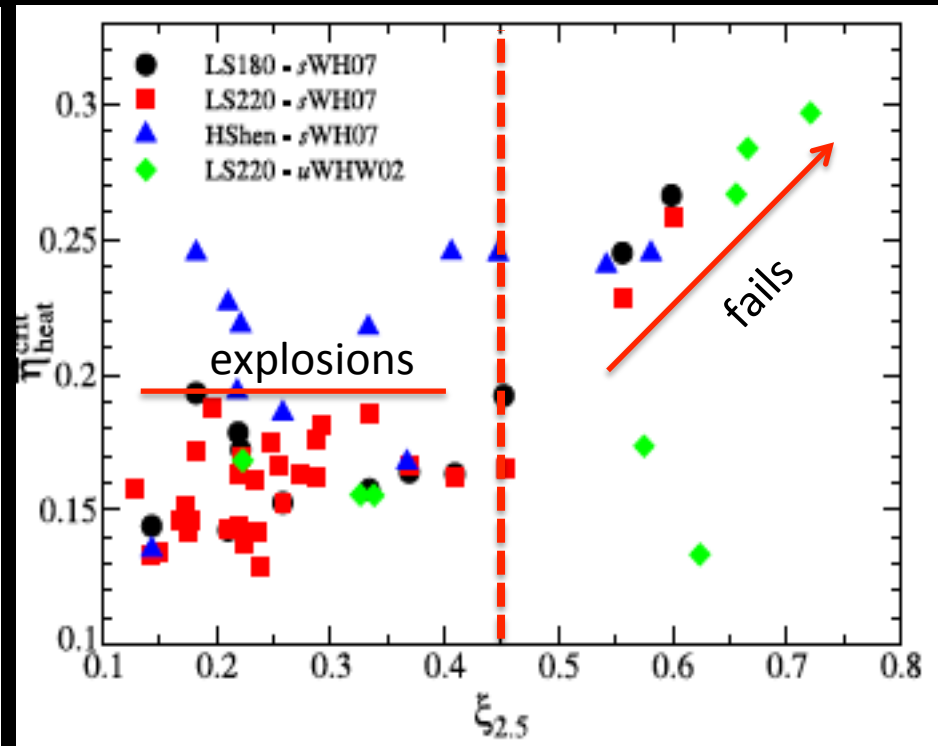
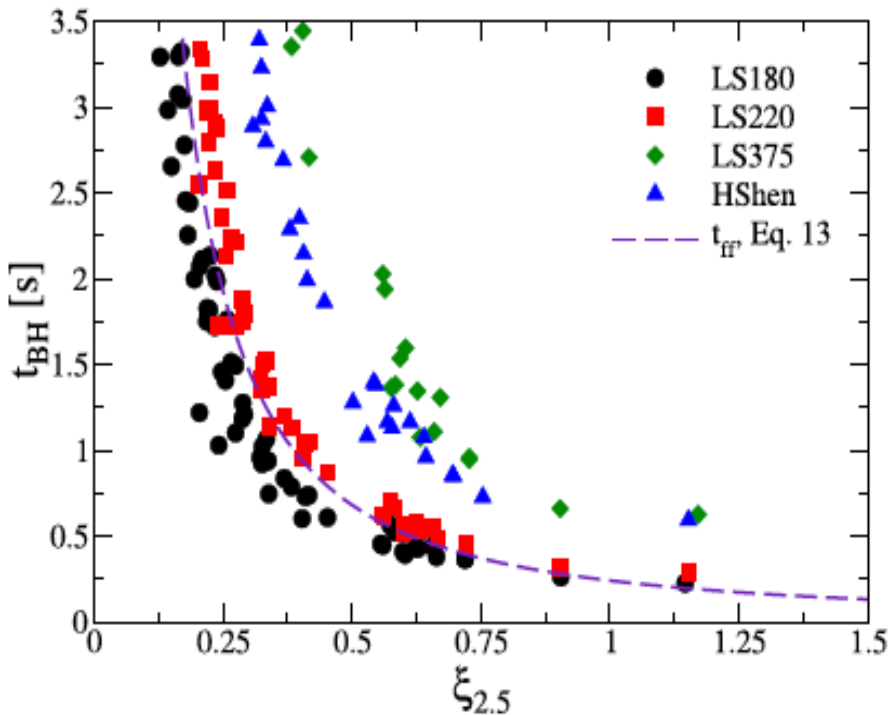
Explodability and compactness

Compactness: is a useful indicator to discuss the eventual outcome of core collapse

$$\xi_M = \frac{M/M_\odot}{R(M_{\text{bary}} = M)/1000 \text{ km}} \Big|_t$$

Black hole formation occurs more readily for larger compactness.

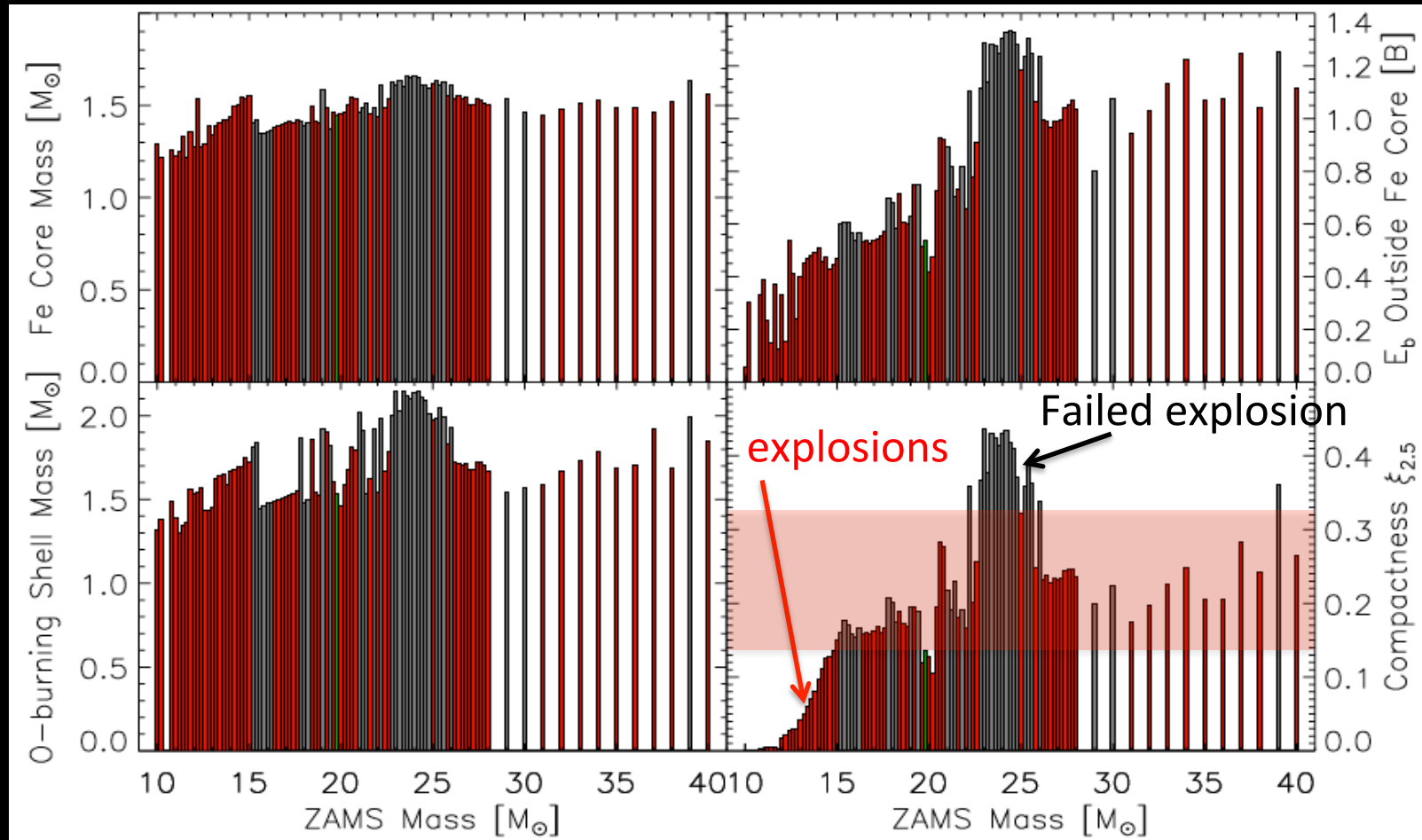
Successful / failed explosion threshold occurs approximately $\xi_{2.5} \sim 0.45$



O'Connor & Ott (2011)

Horiuchi (Virginia Tech)

Explodability and compactness



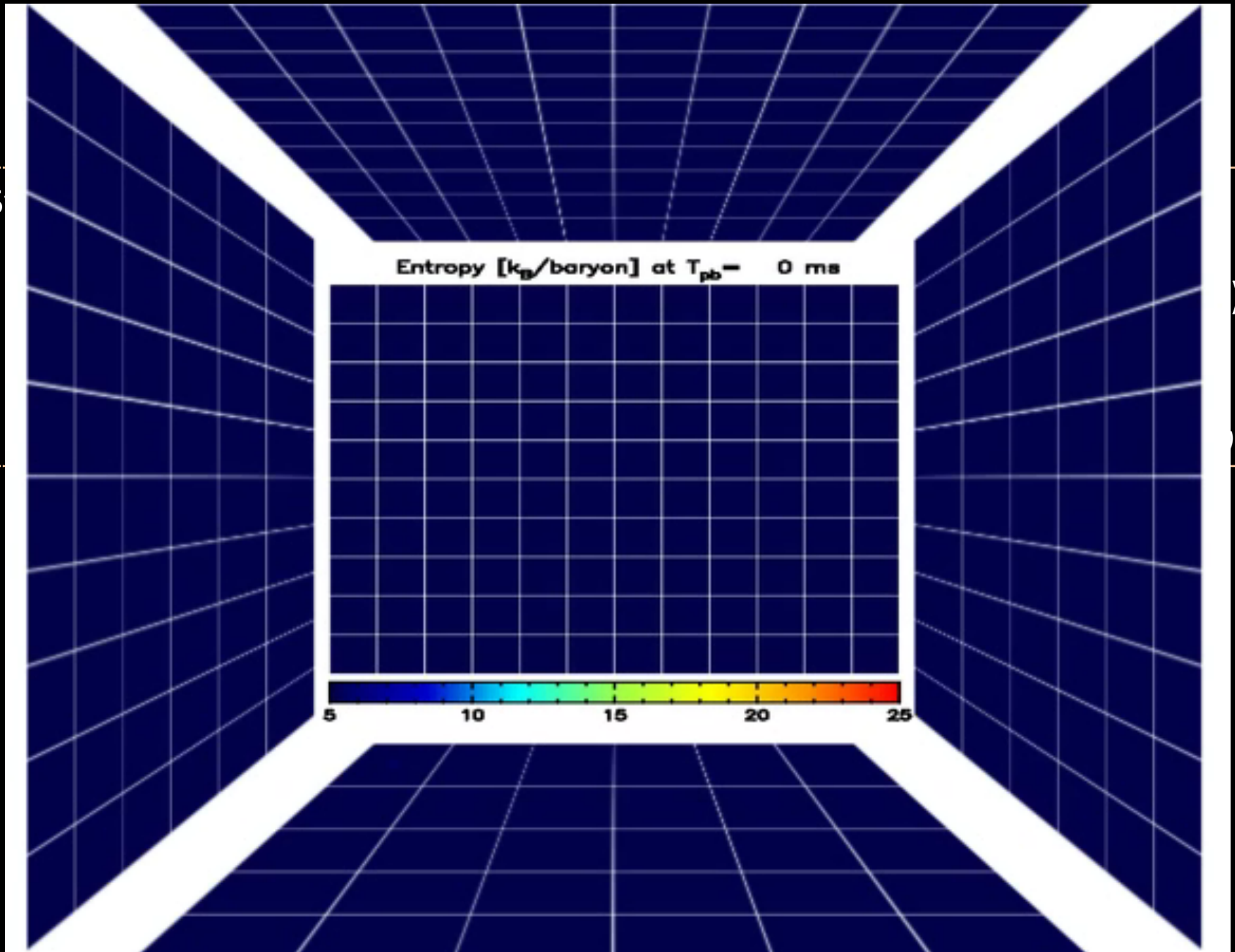
- BH formation for $\xi_{2.5} > 0.35$
- Explosions for $\xi_{2.5} < 0.15$
- Mixture in between

Ugliano et al (2012)

Predicts outcome of at most $\sim 88\%$ of cases

Pejcha & Thompson (2015)

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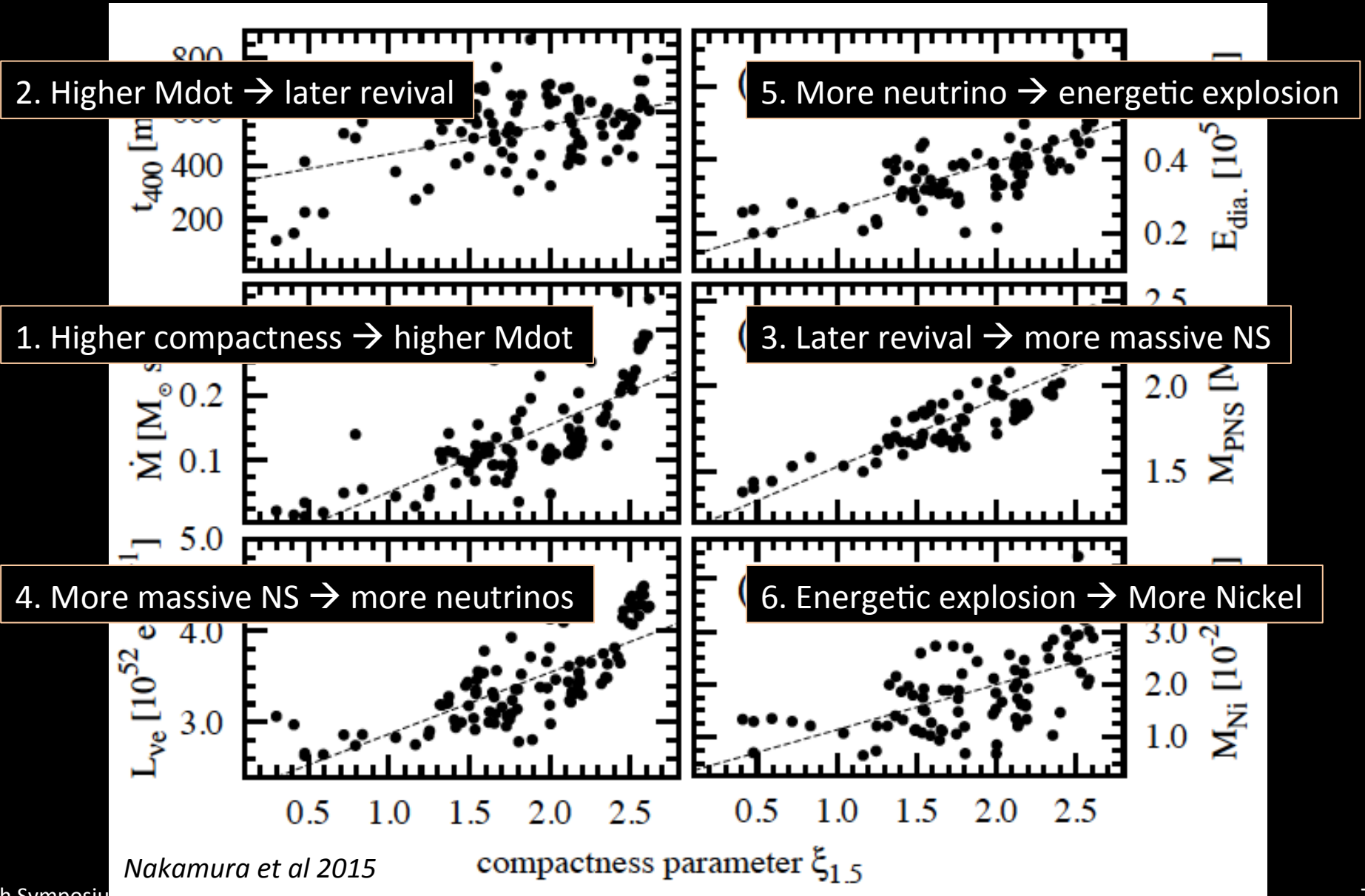
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Results in 2D



Critical compactness in 2D

Caveats:

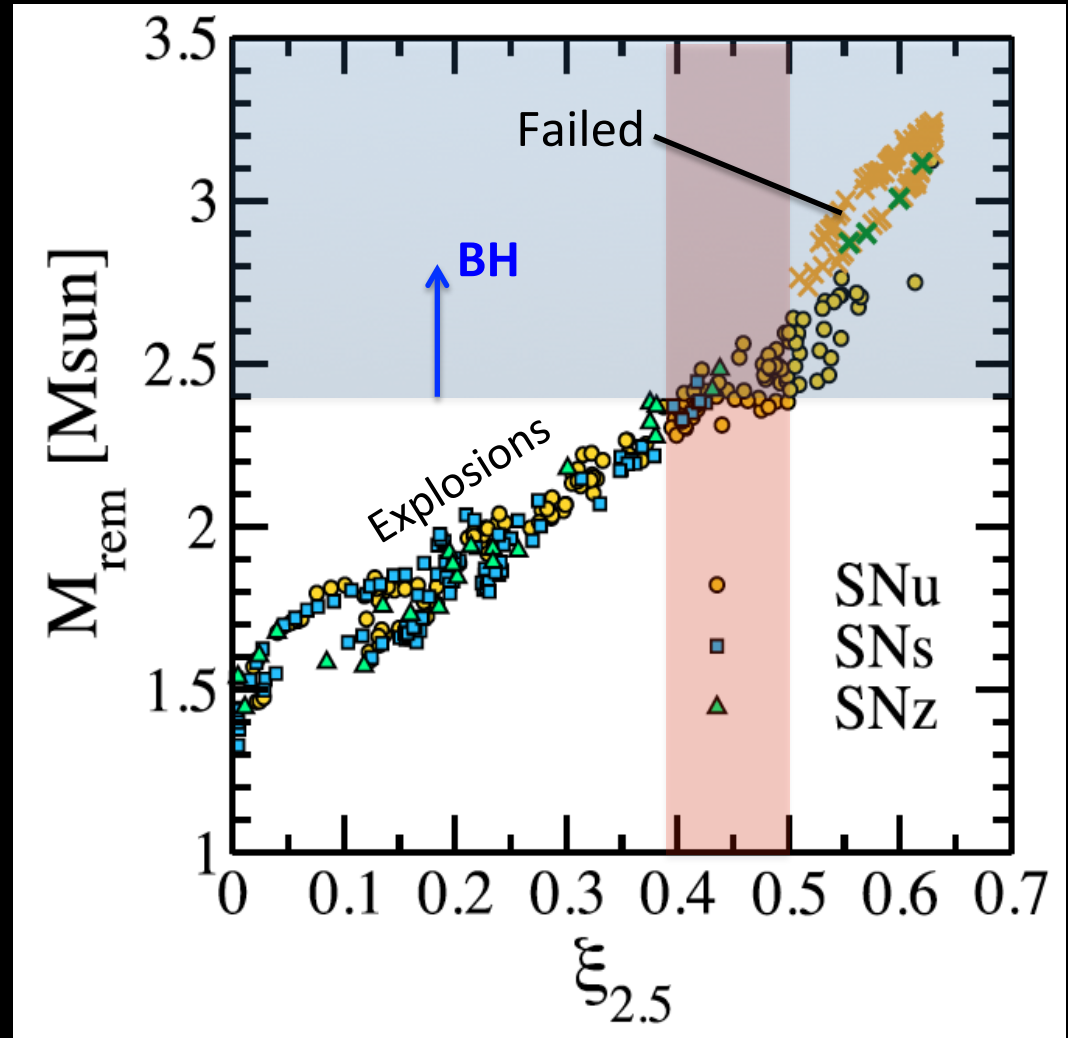
- 2D setup is conducive to explosions
e.g., Hanke et al (2012)
- Remnants above 2.4 Msun baryonic mass not realistic and may not explode in reality.

→ Critical $\xi_{2.5} < \sim 0.4 - 0.5$

Critical compactness $\xi_{2.5}$

1D: 0.15 – 0.45

2D: < 0.4 – 0.5



Horiuchi et al (2014)

In 3D?

Speculate about 3D

No systematic study with 3D simulations yet.

But qualitatively, 3D explosions are more spherical and have later shock revival times

- 11Msun progenitor with $\xi_{2.5} = 0.005$ explode in both 2D and 3D
- 27Msun progenitor with $\xi_{2.5} = 0.228$ explode (late) in 2D, but no signs in 3D.

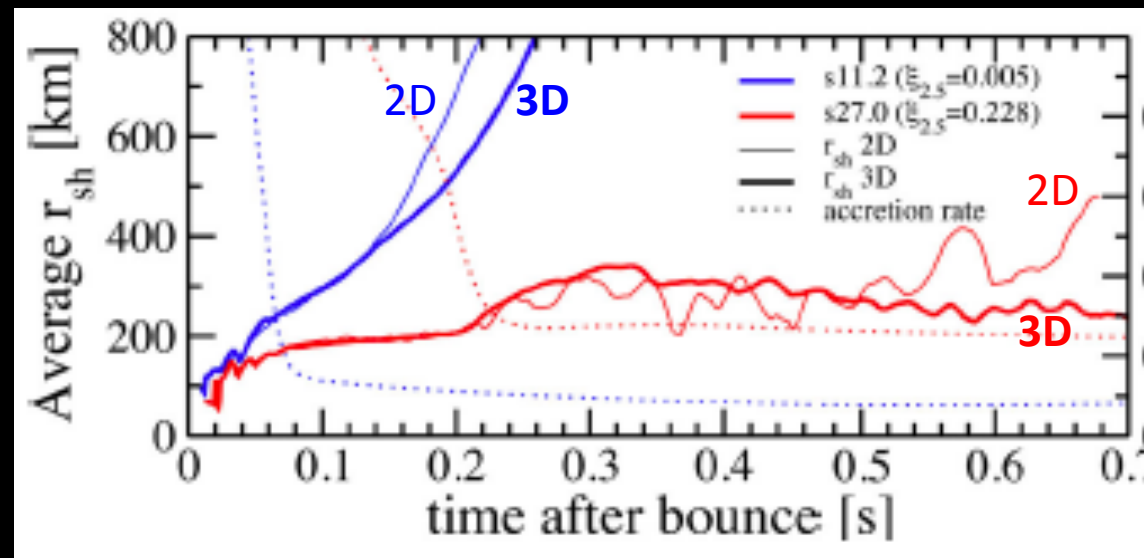
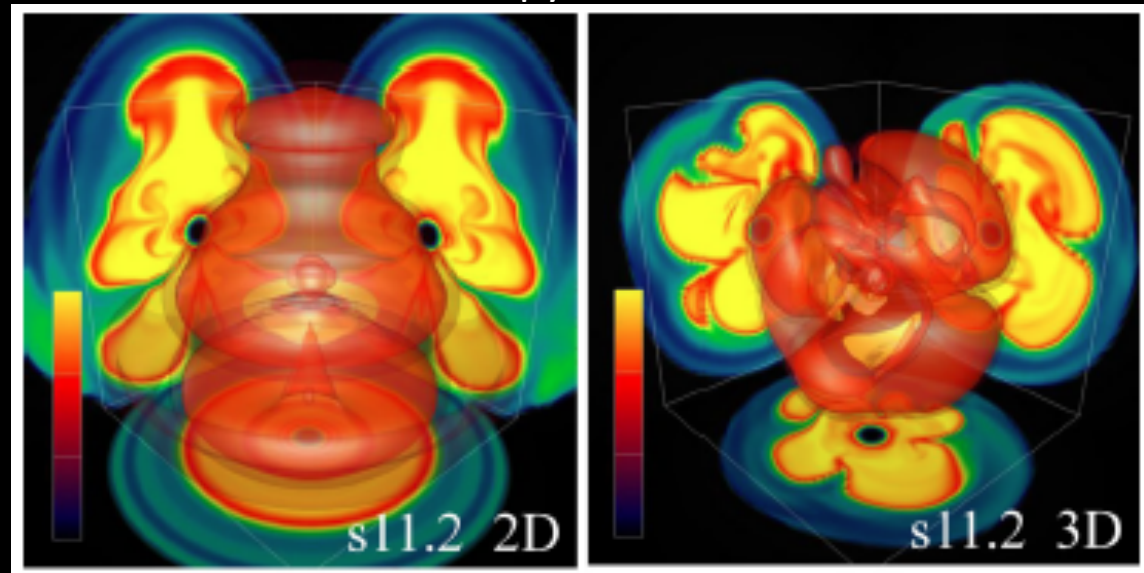
Critical compactness

1D: 0.15 – 0.45

2D: < 0.4 – 0.5

3D: < 0.2 ? Needs investigations.

entropy @200ms



Simulation insights:

- whether a star explodes or fails can be \sim predicted by the compactness of the star.
- The critical compactness is in the range $\xi_{2.5} = 0.2 - 0.4$

Observational impacts

Critical compactness affects NS vs BH formation

- Fraction of stars that explode vs fail
- Mass function and mean mass of NS and BH

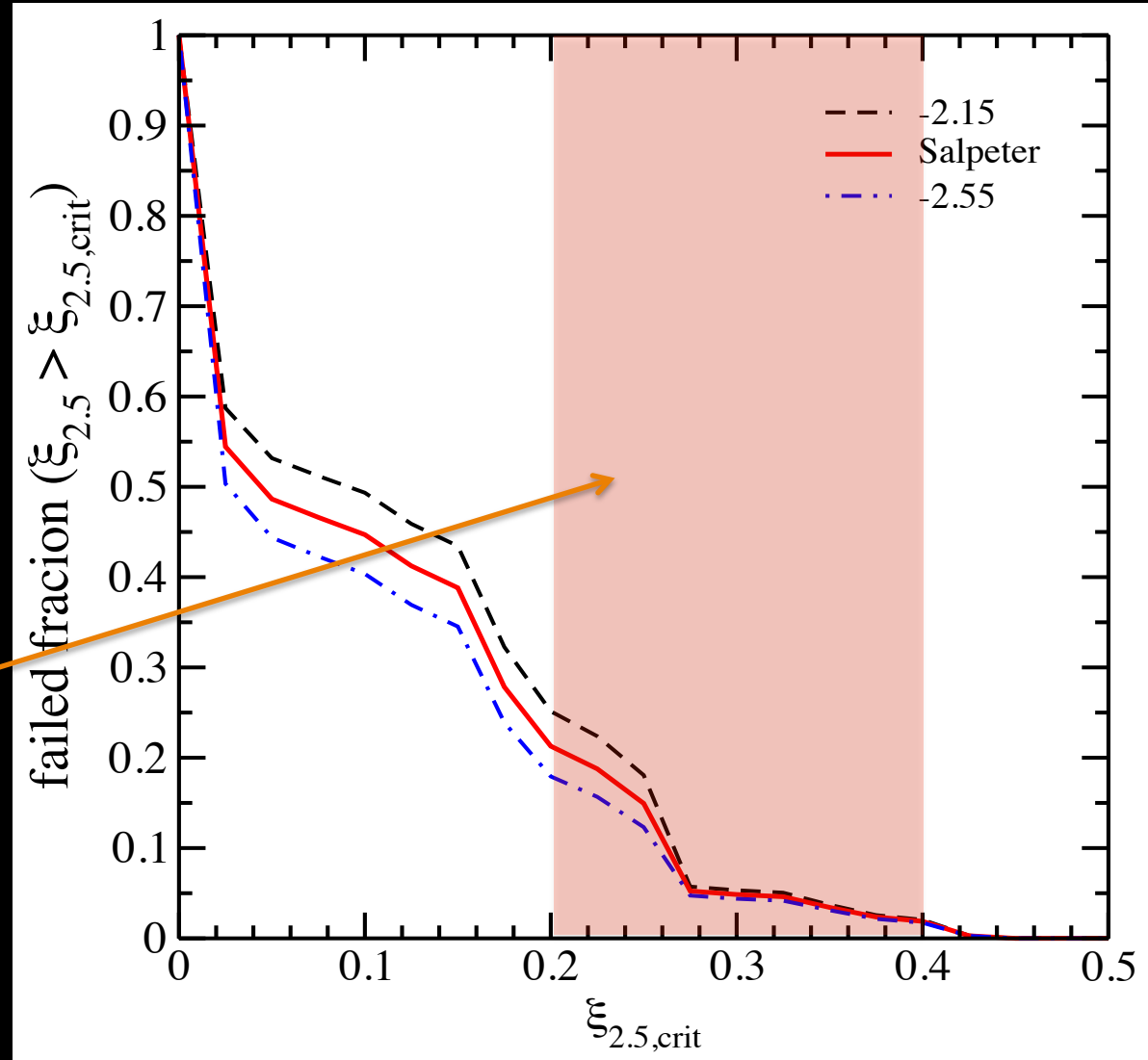
STATUS OF OBSERVATIONAL CONNECTIONS

Prediction 1: fraction of failed supernovae

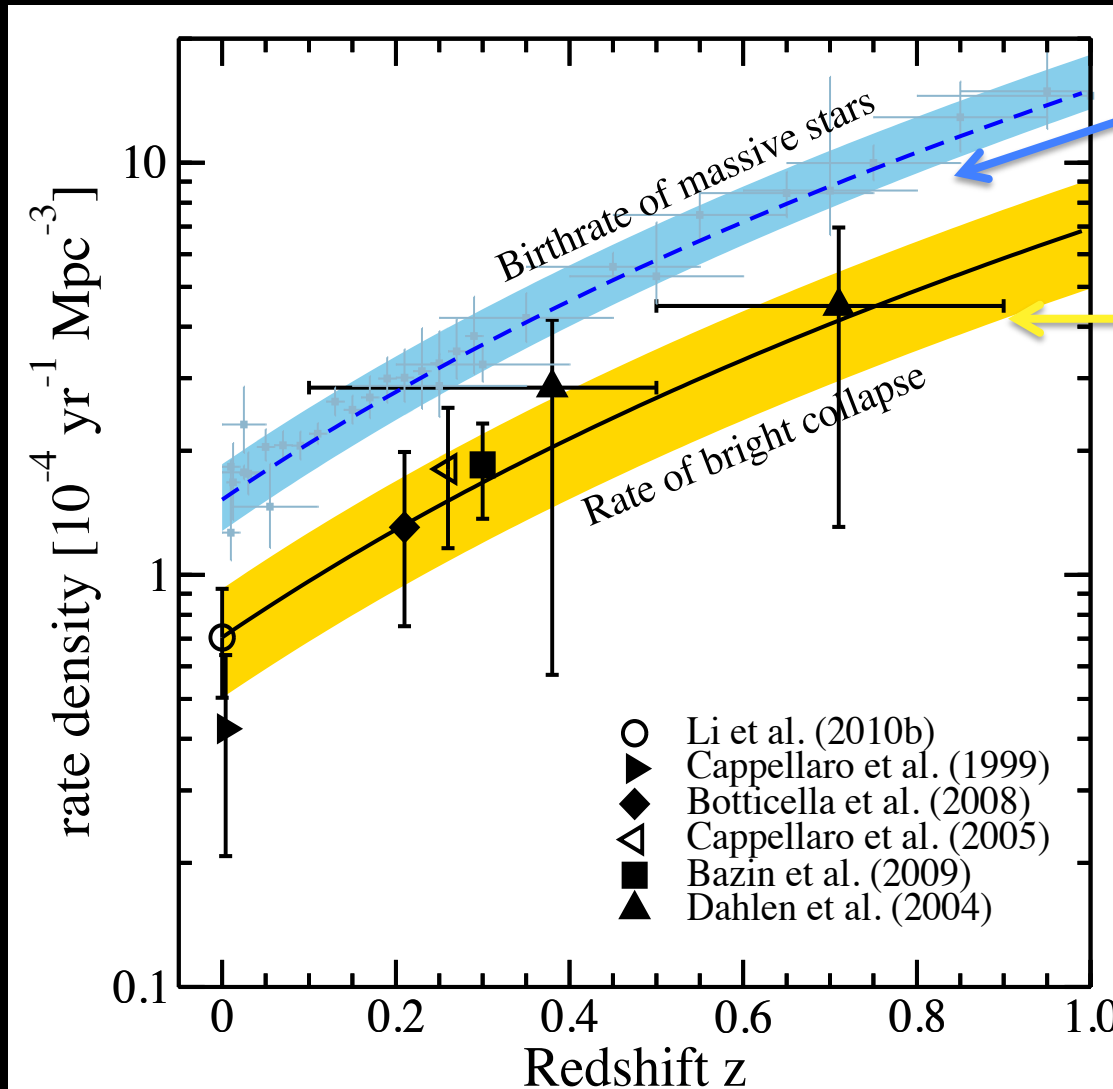
Failed fraction

Predicts that the fraction of massive stars that fail to explode is up to ~20% (stars with compactness $\xi_{2.5} > 0.2$ is ~20%)

Critical compactness is in the range $\xi_{2.5} = 0.2 - 0.4$



Hints from supernova rate



Birth rate of massive stars
From many observations
(hundreds)

Observed supernova rate
Derived from observations
of *luminous* supernovae
(many recent updates)

(Core-collapse rate) – (supernova rate) = DIM or DARK collapse rate

- Updates to dust corrections suggest up to 30% of massive stars are missing (either failed or dim explosions)

e.g., Mattila et al (2012)

But see, e.g., Mathews et al (2014)

Horiuchi et al (2011); updates by e.g., Dahlen et al (2012), Cappellaro et al (2015)

Hints from searches of failed explosions: Survey about nothing

Survey About Nothing

Look for the disappearance of red-supergiants in nearby galaxies caused by core collapse to black holes

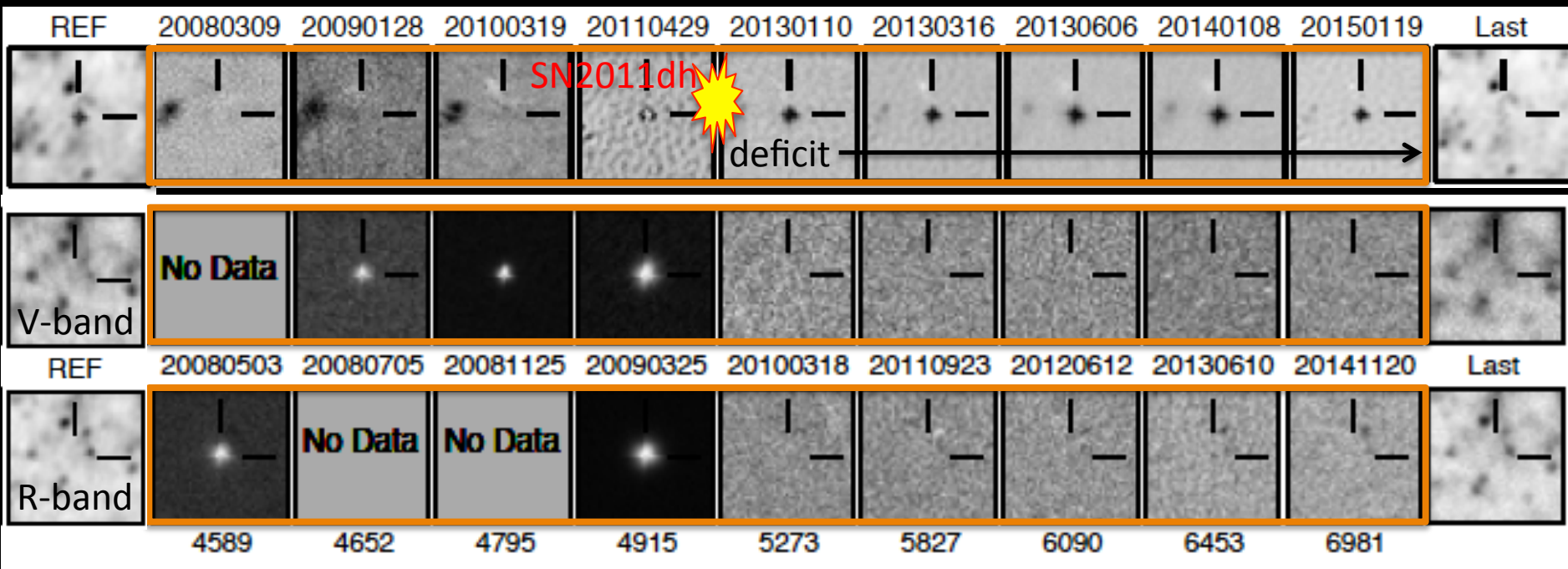


Monitor 27 galaxies with the Large Binocular Telescope

- Survey $\sim 10^6$ red supergiants with luminosity $> 10^4 L_{\text{sun}}$
- expect ~ 1 core collapse /yr
- In 10 years, sensitive to 20 – 30% failed fraction at 90% CL.

Kochanek et al. (2008)





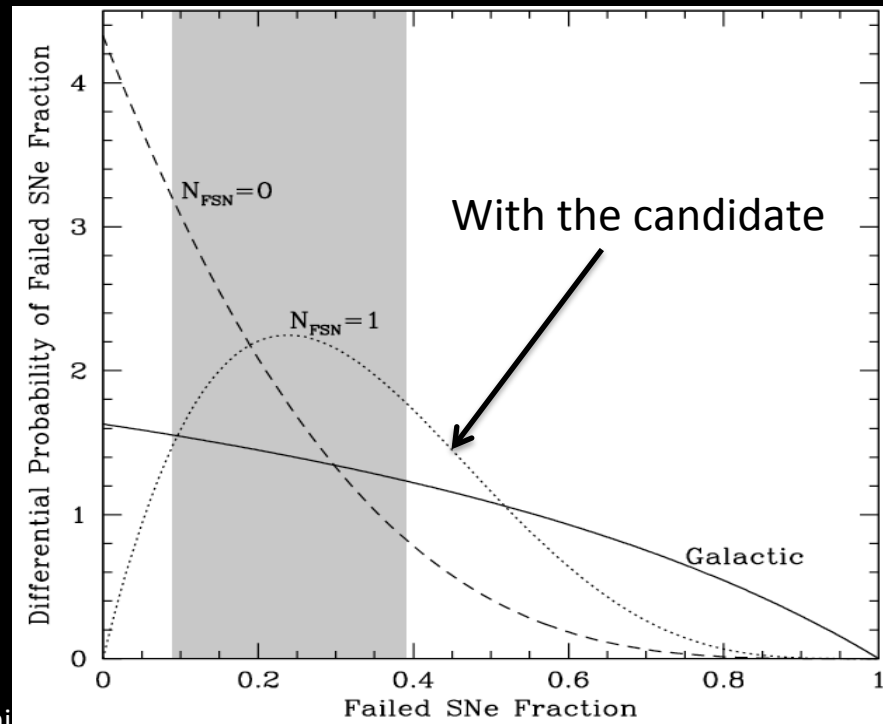
Results so far:

In 4 years running,

- 3 luminous CC supernovae: SN2009dh, SN2011dh, SN2012fh
- 1 candidate failed supernova: NGC6946-BH1 (@~6Mpc)

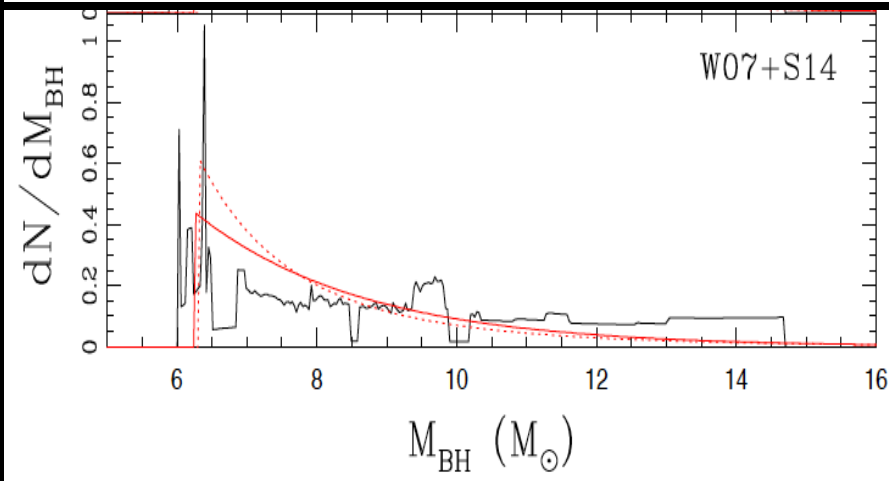
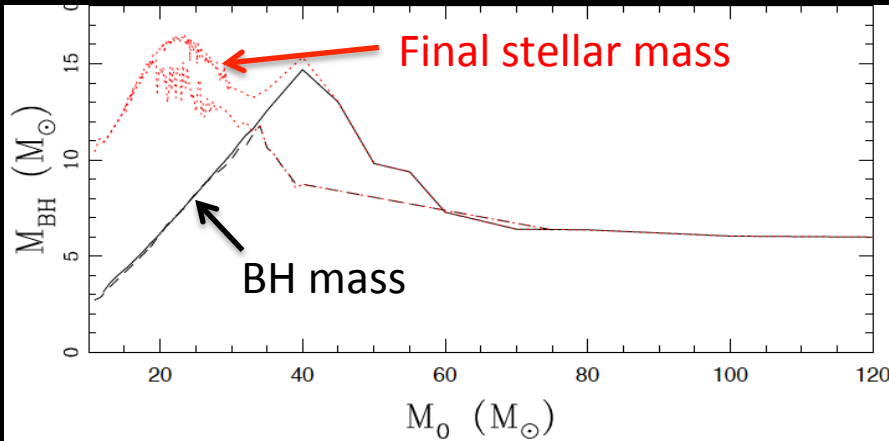
→ Failed fraction 10 – 40%

Gerke et al. (2015)



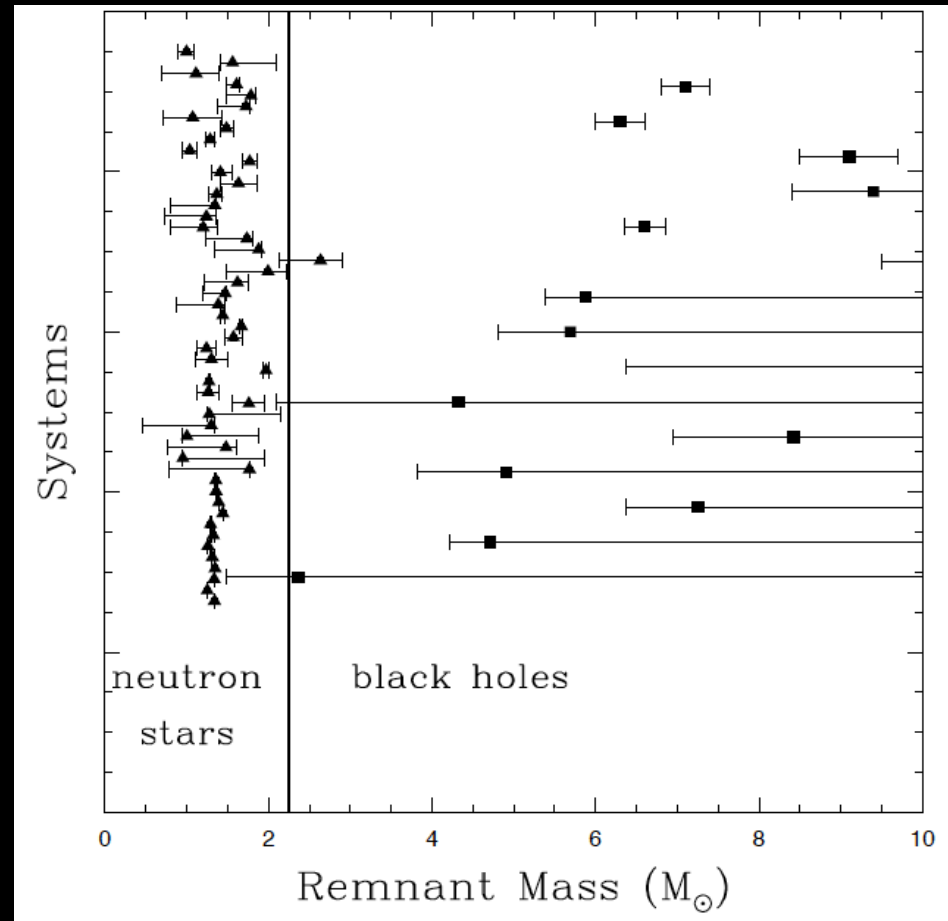
Prediction 2. Compact object mass function

A **critical compactness** $\xi_{2.5} \sim 0.2$ predicts a mass function with a cutoff



Kochanek (2014); also Ugliano et al (2012)

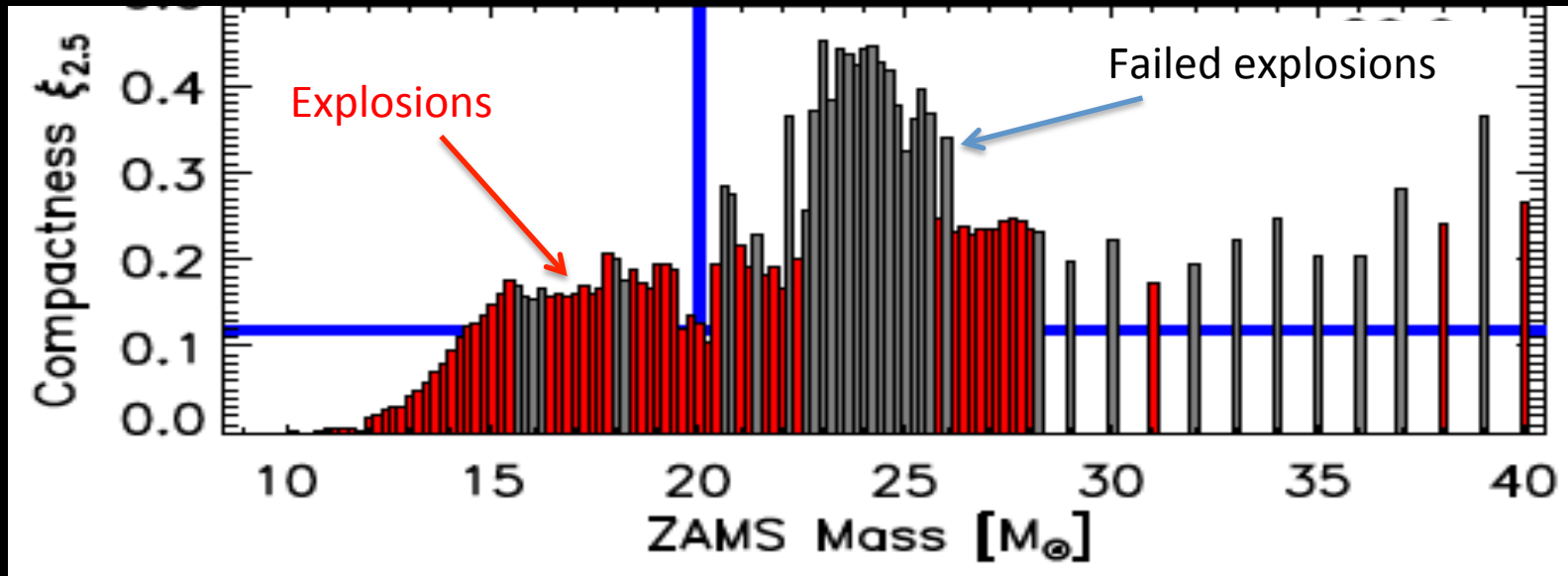
There are hints of a dearth of stellar black holes just above the NS mass range



e.g., Kreidberg et al. (2012), Kiziltan et al. (2013)

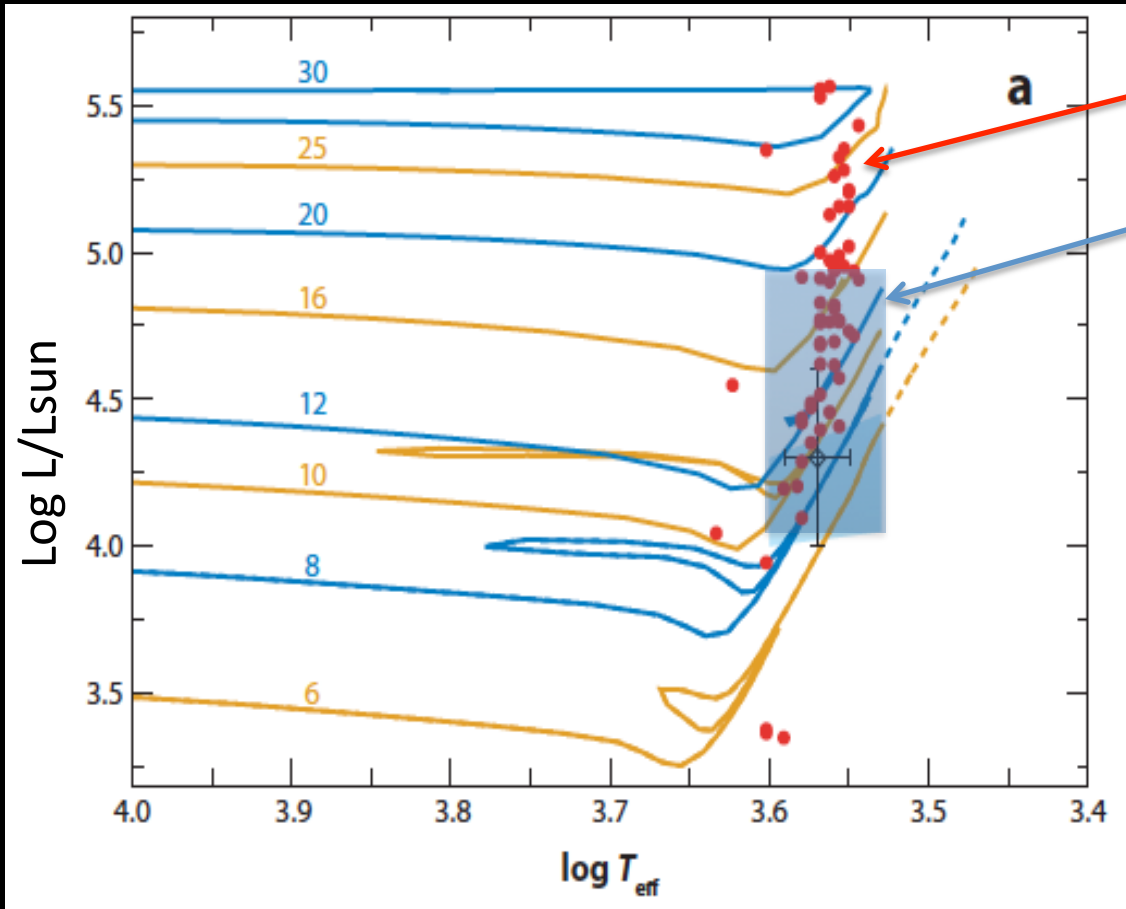
Prediction 3: islands of failed explosions

- Compactness is not monotonic in stellar mass, but rather come in islands (but uncertainties remain) *e.g., Sukhdbold & Woosley (2014)*
→ Explosions / failed explosion populations also come in islands



Ertl et al (2015)

Hints from the red supergiant problem



Known red-supergiants

Red-supergiant stars that explode as Type IIP supernovae

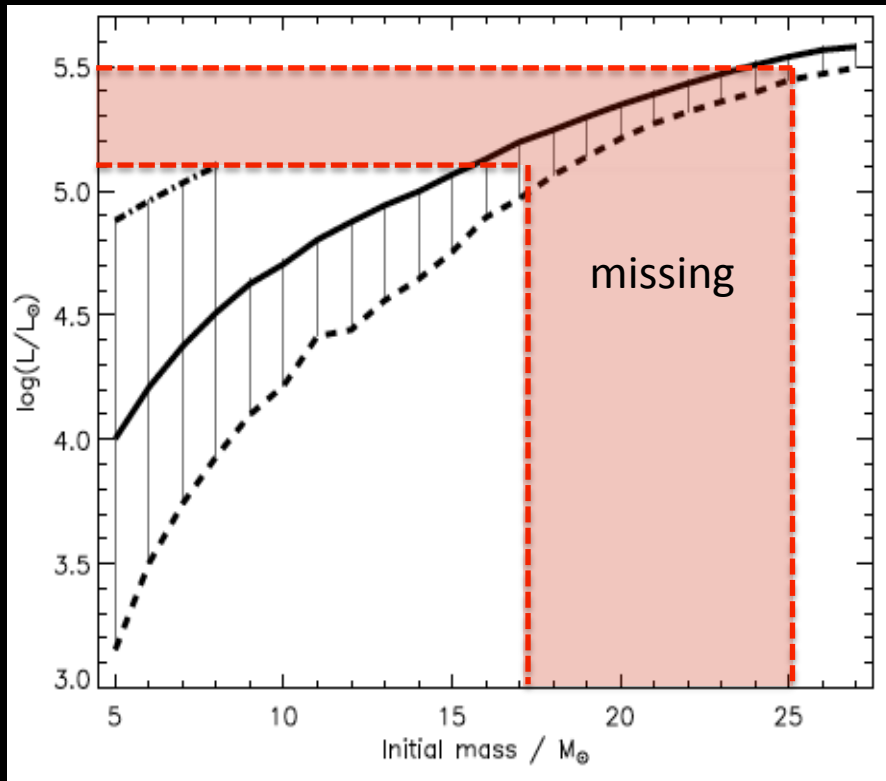
Why do we not see Type IIP progenitors with luminosity between $10^{5.1} - 10^{5.5} L_{\text{sun}}$?
→ red-supergiant problem

What happens to them?

Smartt et al. (2009), Smartt (2015)

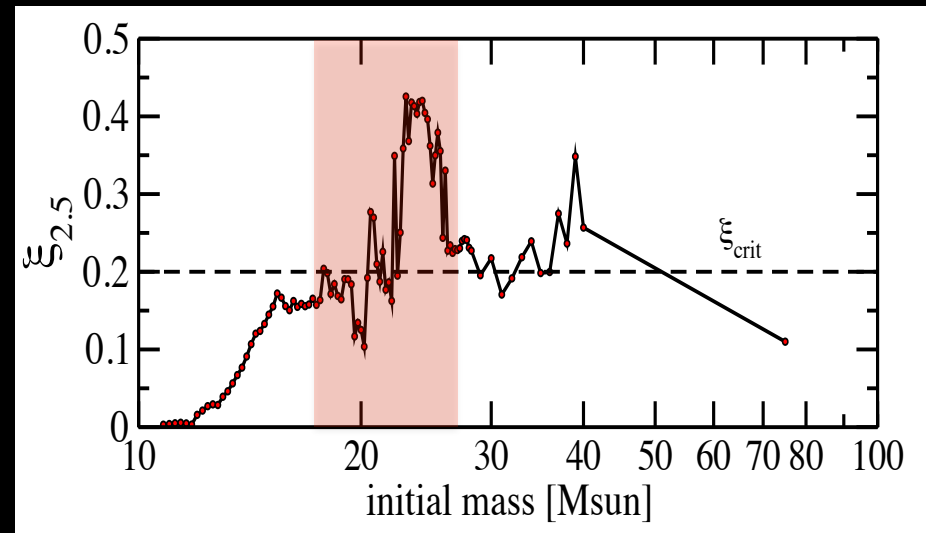
Hints from the red supergiant problem

“Missing” red-supergiants due to core collapse to black holes?



Smartt et al (2009)

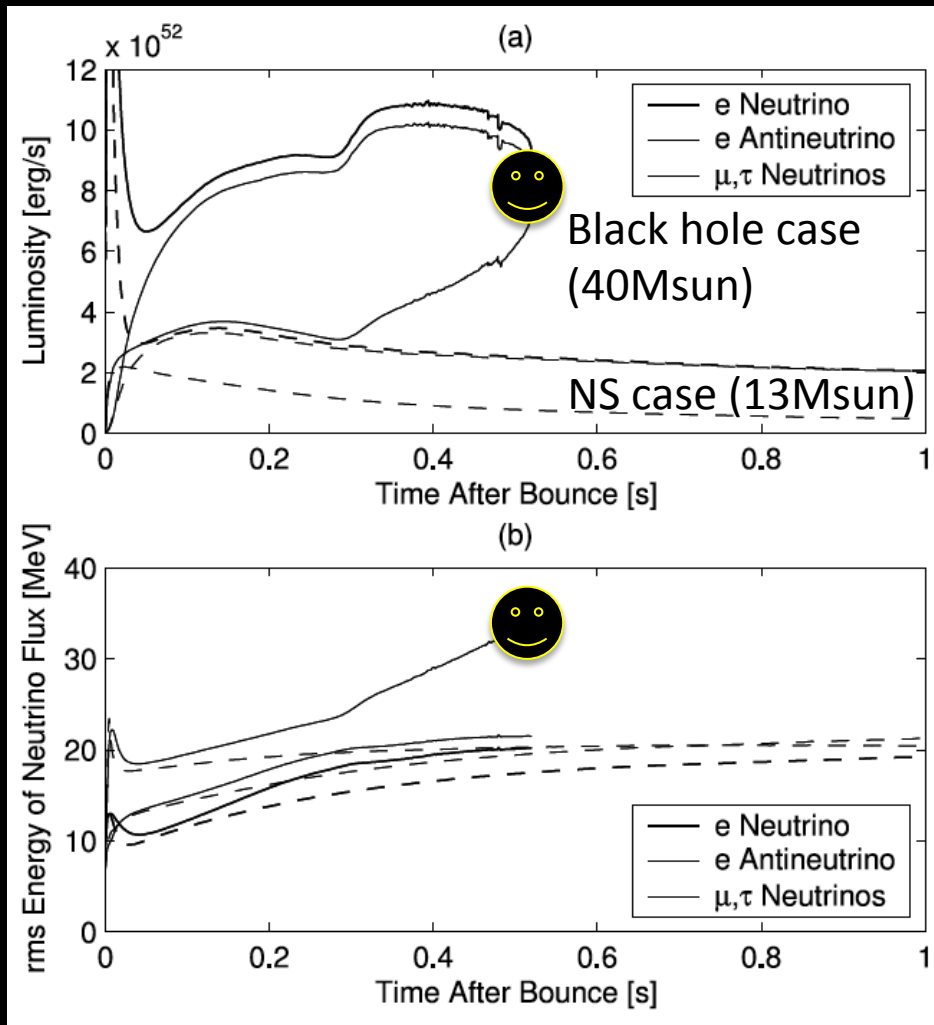
The mass range is around an island of high compactness \rightarrow theoretically more likely to form black holes.



Horiuchi et al (2014), see also Kochanek (2014)

NEUTRINO PROBES

Neutrino emission



Liebendoerfer et al (2004)

Neutrino emission:

Black hole necessarily goes through rapid mass accretion & contraction
→ More accretion luminous and higher energies (EOS dependent)

Sumiyoshi et al 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009

Fischer et al 2009

Nakazato et al 2008, 2010, 2012

Sekiguchi & Shibata 2011

O'Connor & Ott 2011

Plus various others

Neutrino termination:

Neutrino detectors can directly detect the moment of black hole formation (if it occurs during the first $O(10)$ seconds)

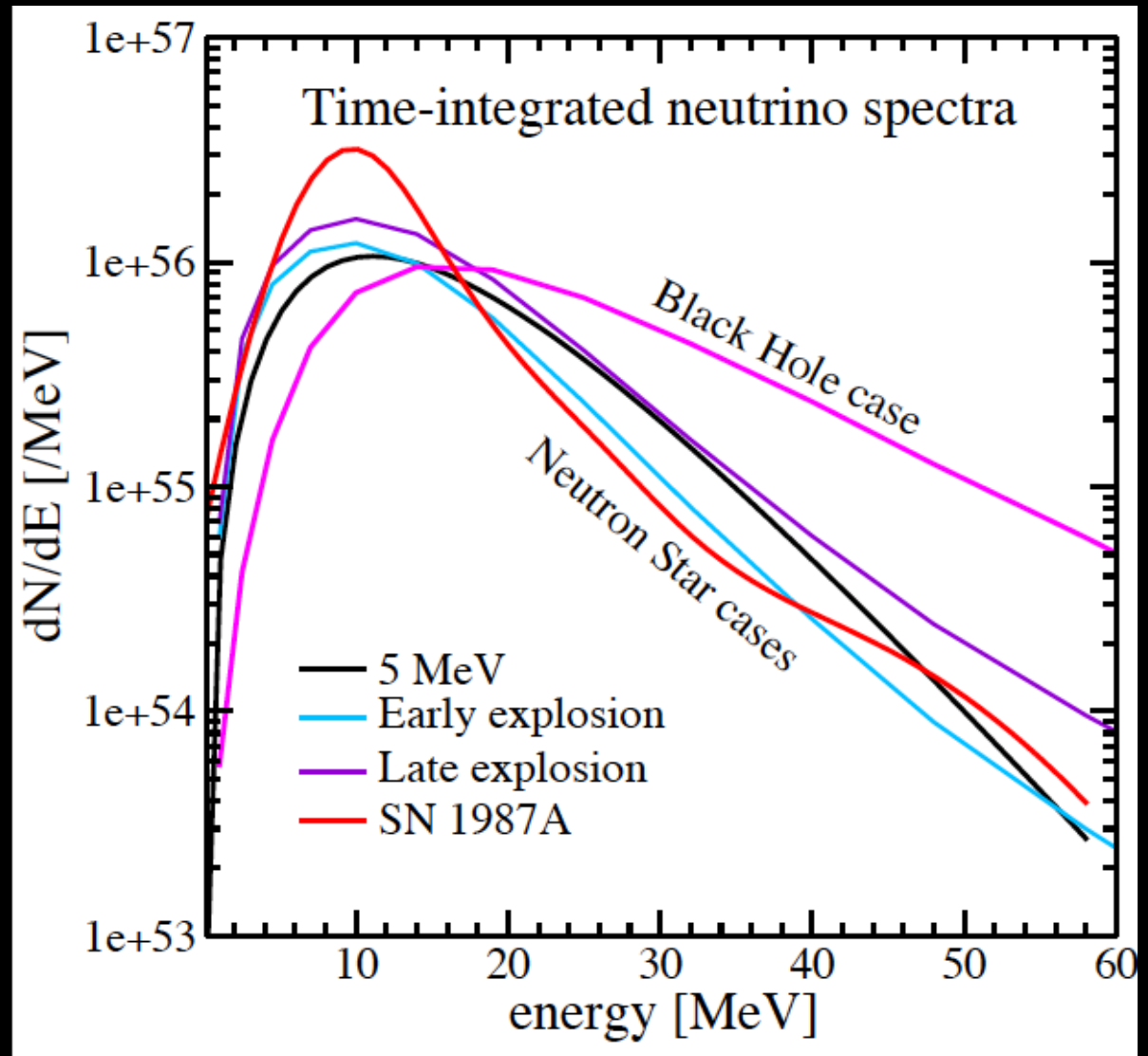
Beacom et al (2001)

Time-integrated neutrino signal

Neutrino emission:

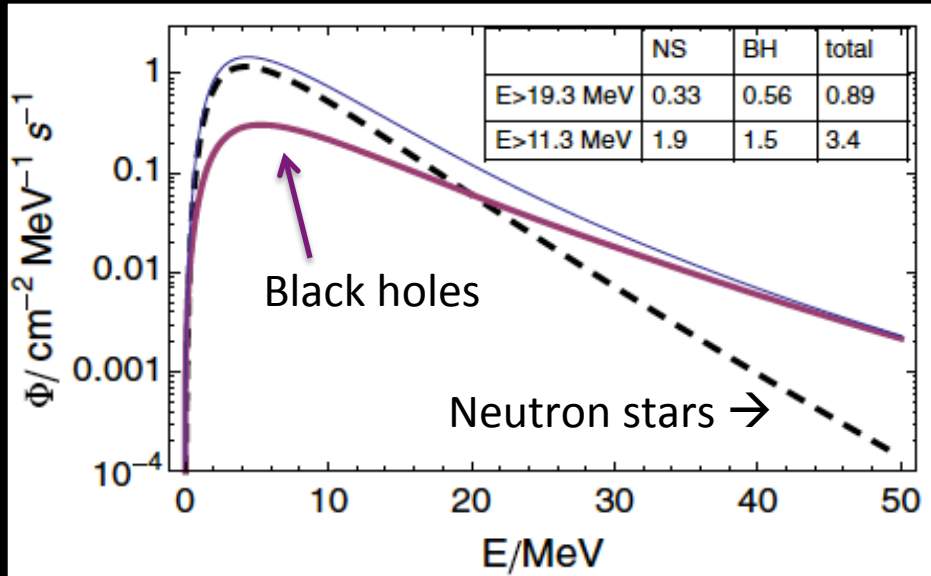
Compared to collapse to neutrino stars, the duration of neutrino emission is shorter for collapse to black holes.

The time-integrated neutrino emission is noticeably different.



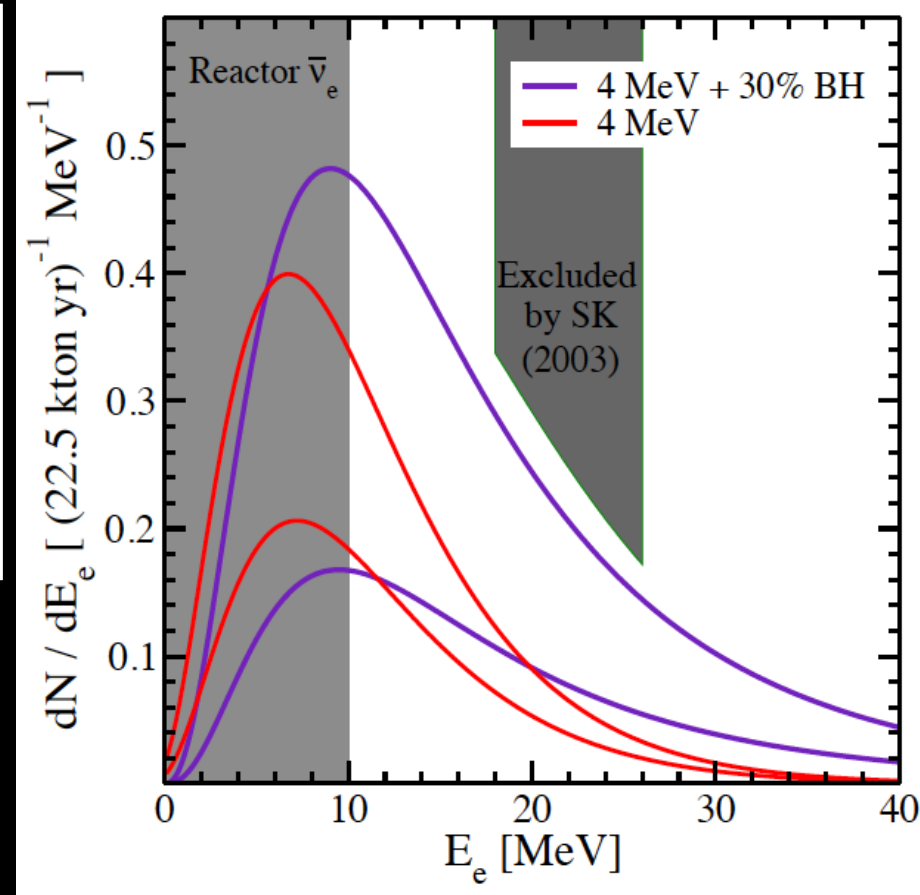
Diffuse supernova neutrino background

Diffuse neutrino fluxes:
Sensitive to contribution of black holes



Lunardini (2009); see also Lien et al (2010), Keehn & Lunardini (2010), Nakazato (2013), Yuksel & Kistler (2014)

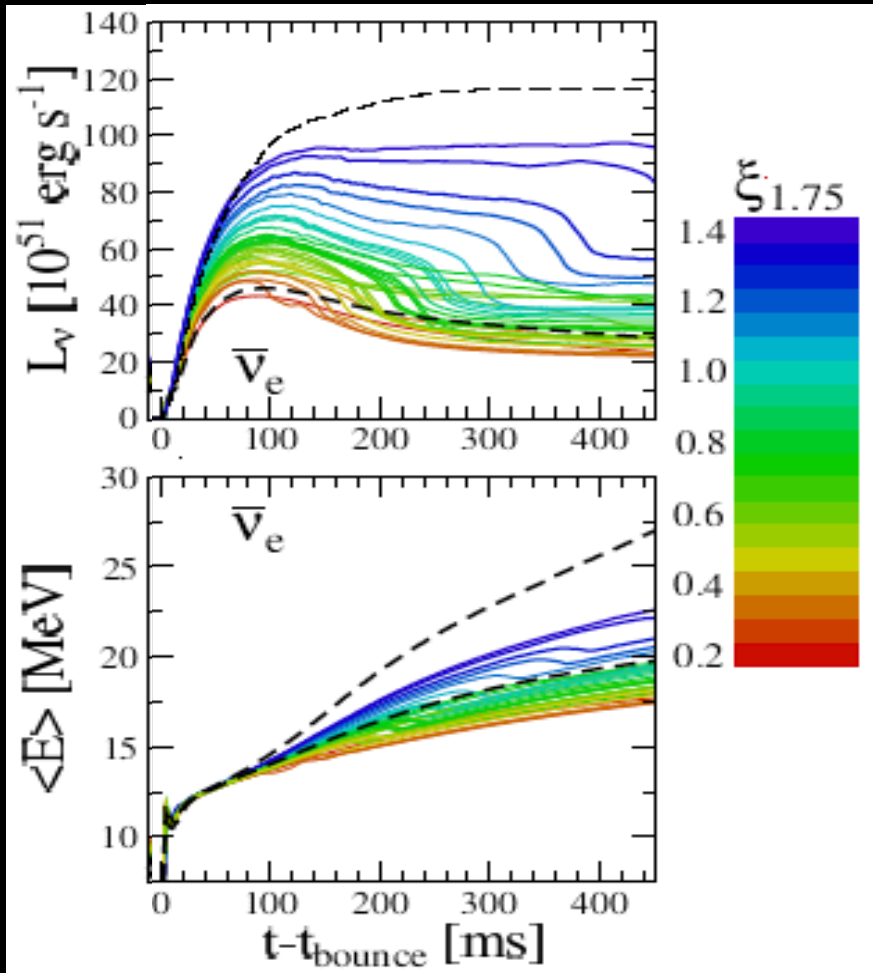
Event spectra with uncertainties:
For example, at Super-Kamiokande



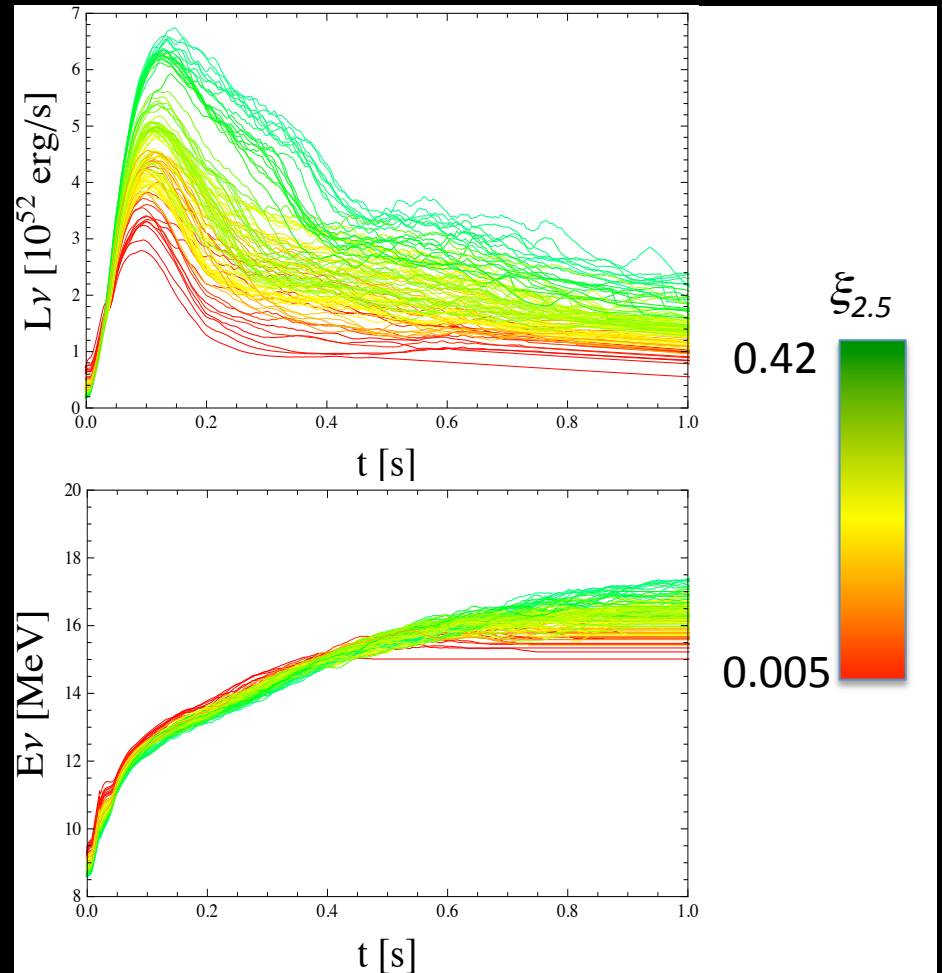
Adapted from Horiuchi et al (2009)

Compactness probes

1D → → → 2D



O'Connor & Ott (2013)



Based on Nakamura et al (2015)

Measuring the compactness

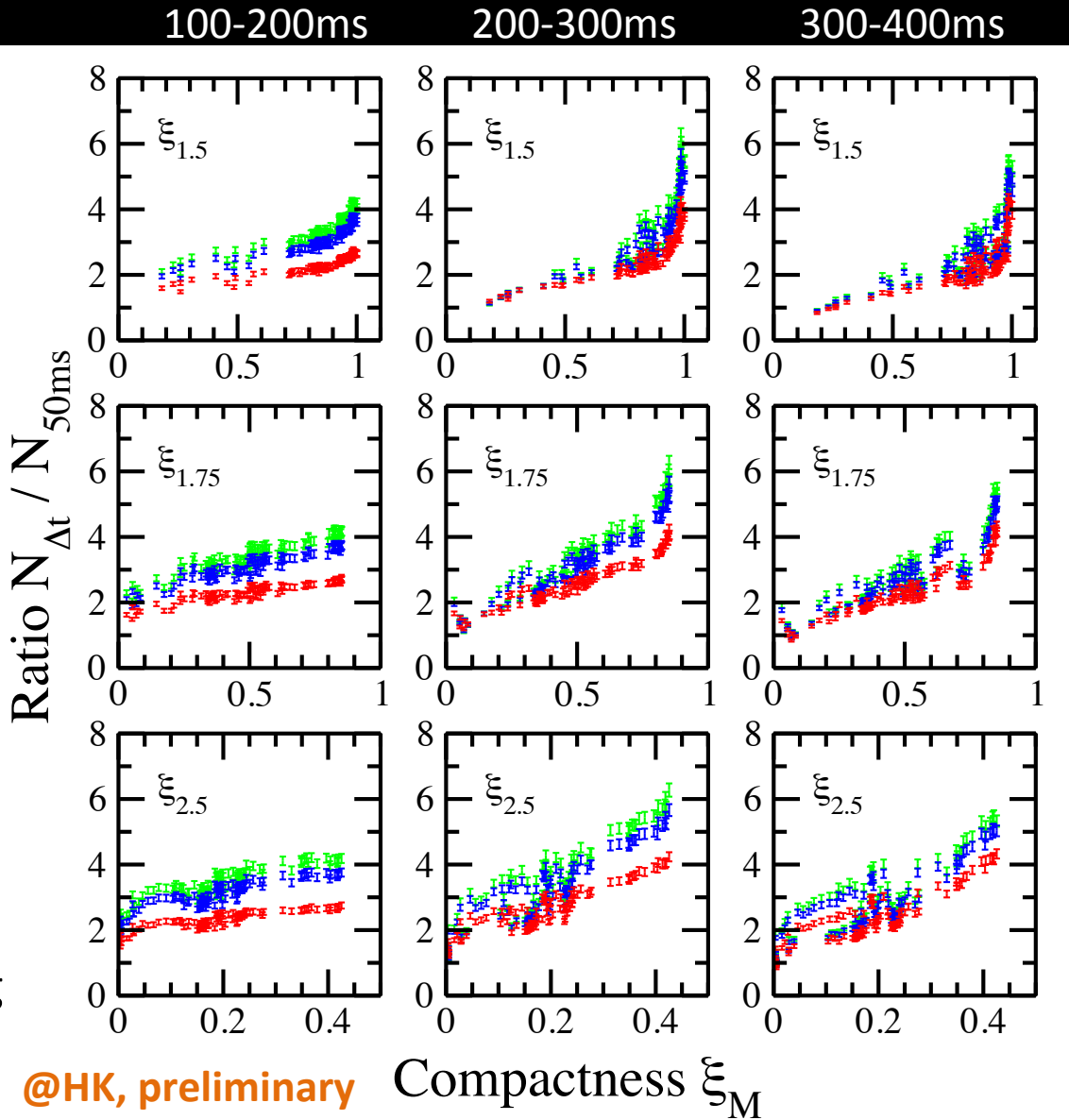
Uncertainty

Absolute rate is degenerate with other systematics, e.g., distance uncertainty. Taking the ratio removes many of these.

Many compactness

There is an optimum time window for a given ξ_M corresponding to the free-fall time for that mass shell

MSW mixing
red & green
show range



Measuring the compactness

Super-K

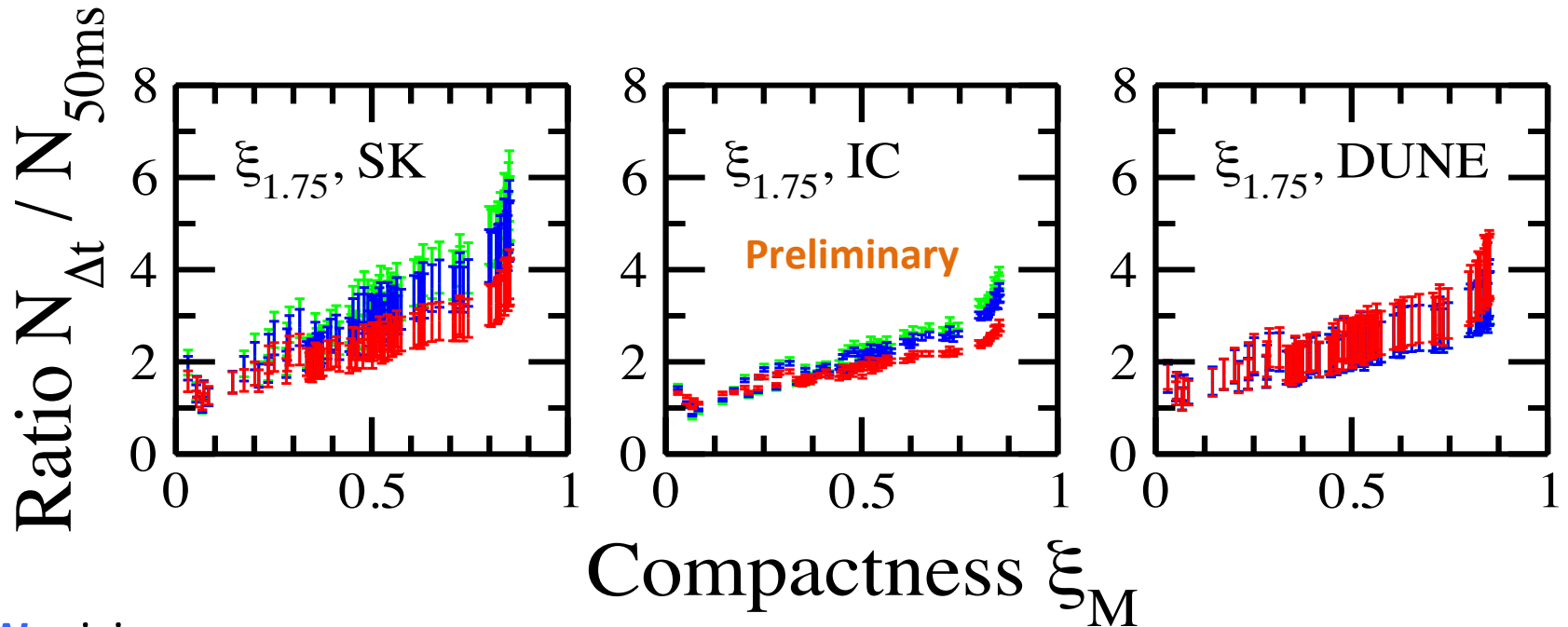
The errors would still be sizable.

IceCube

Would be powerful (based on the LC)

DUNE

Less dependence on oscillation scenario due to neutronization burst



MSW mixing
red & green
show range

32.5 kton water
3 MeV threshold

Correlated noise
in 5160 OMs.

40 kton LqAr
5 MeV threshold,
with ID for ν_e CC

Summary

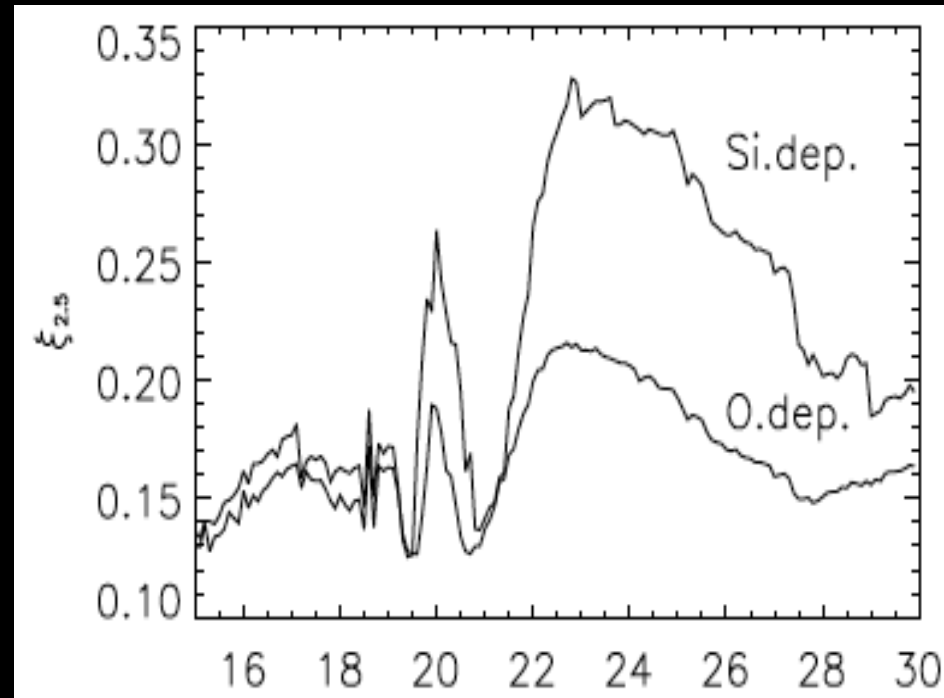
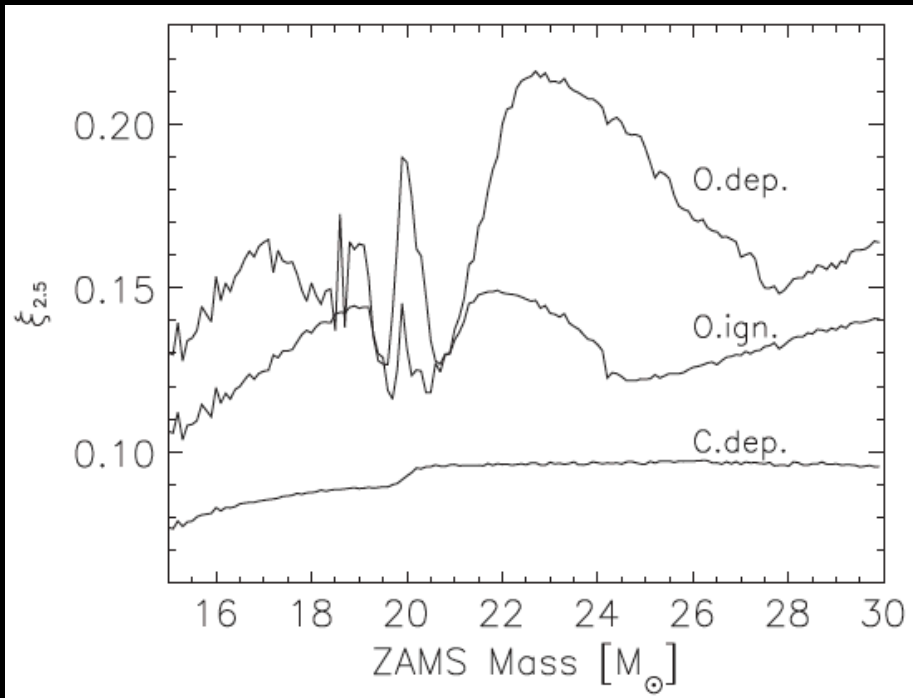
Take away messages:

1. Systematic simulations are revealing that **compactness** is a useful parameter to characterize the diversity of core-collapse simulations.
2. It is still early days, but observationally a **low critical compactness** $\xi_{2.5} \sim 0.2$ is consistent with or solves:
 - The supernova rate discrepancy
 - Results from Survey about Nothing
 - The black hole mass function
 - The red supergiant problem
3. **Neutrinos** are one of the direct probes of compactness, by:
 - The next Galactic core collapse
 - Diffuse supernova neutrino background

Thank you!

Compactness

- Contraction drives compactness up.
- Convective C core burning (<20Msun) drives down compactness



- Convective carbon shell burning between central C depletion & O depletion drives features in compactness.
- Convective oxygen shell burning between central O depletion & Si depletion drives further compactness differences.

Two parameters

Towards better predictability:

Compactness captures well mass accretion but neutrino luminosity depends also on M_{pns} .

$$L_{\nu}^{\text{acc}} \propto G \frac{M_{pns} \dot{M}}{R_{pns}}$$

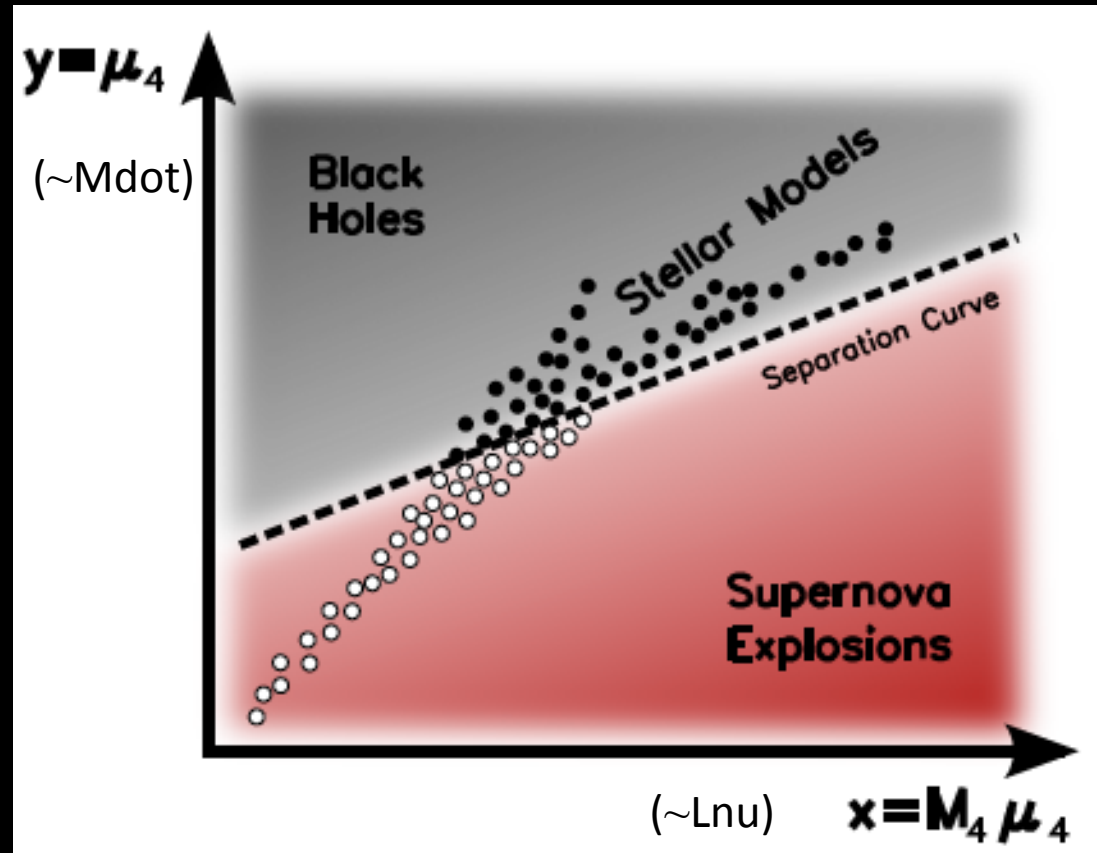
So, critical $\xi_{2.5}$ increases with M_{pns} .

→ Use two parameters that captures \dot{M} and L_{nu} .

$$M_4 \equiv m(s = 4)/M_{\odot}$$

$$\mu_4 \equiv \left. \frac{dm/M_{\odot}}{dr/1000 \text{ km}} \right|_{s=4}$$

Yields much better predictability
(~97% of cases).



Abundance Tests

Removing supernovae removes chemical enrichment

Considering common contribution from winds, and truncating the supernova contribution, reasonable fit is still obtained even if all stars with mass $> 20 M_{\text{sun}}$ (i.e., 27% of all massive stars) fail to explode.

Brown & Woosley (2013)

