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Abstract: The cosmological power of Type Ia Supernovae depends on their ability to determine distances. The astrophysical limitations, like reddening, local velocity inhomogeneities and intrinsic variations, are a severe impediment for the cosmological applications of these cosmic explosions. Overcoming these systematic restrictions must be the goal of any future supernova projects.

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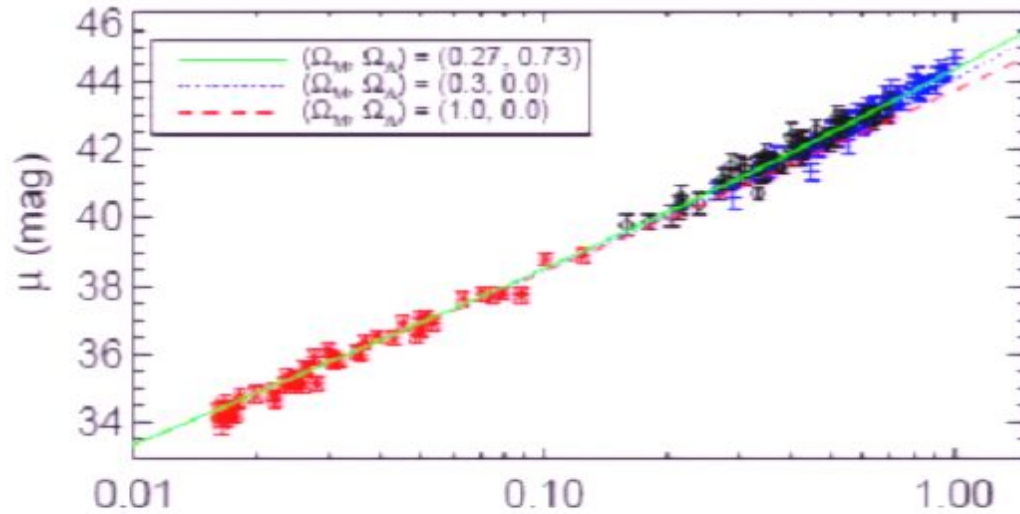
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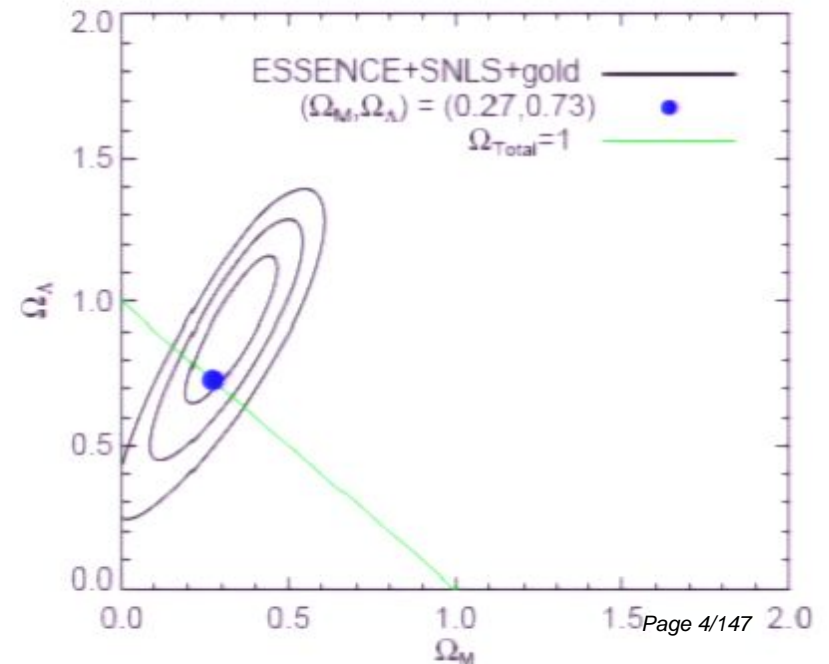
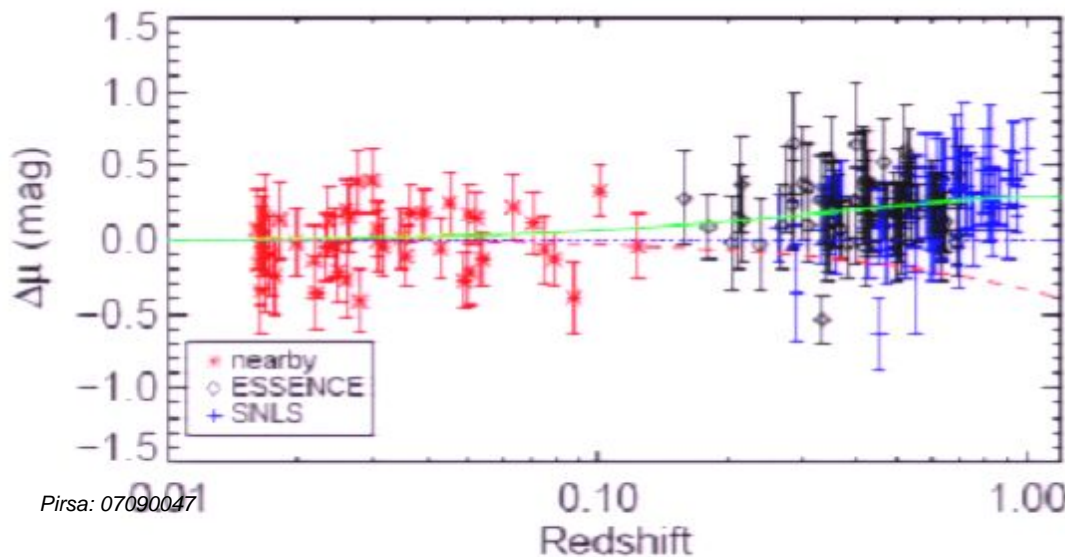
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# The SN Ia Hubble Diagram



**Combination of  
 ESSENCE, SNLS  
 and nearby SNe Ia**

Wood-Vasey et al. 2007



# Current surveys

## SNLS

- **Astier et al. 2006** – 71 distant SNe Ia
- various papers describing spectroscopy (**Lidman et al. 2006, Hook et al. 2006, Bronder et al. 2008**), rise time (**Conley et al. 2006**) and individual SNe (**Howell et al. 2006**)

## ESSENCE

- **Wood-Vasey et al. 2007** – 60 distant SNe Ia
- **Miknaitis et al. 2007** – description of the survey
- **Davis et al. 2007** – comparison to exotic dark energy proposals
- spectroscopy (**Matheson et al. 2005, Blondin et al. 2006**)

# Cosmology results

## SNLS 1<sup>st</sup> year (Astier et al. 2006)

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- flat geometry and combined with BAO results

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| Galactic extinction  | 1 / mag                         | 0.01 mag     | 0.01       |                               |
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# The currently most complete SN Ia sample (Riess et al. 2007)

Collected all available distant SNe Ia

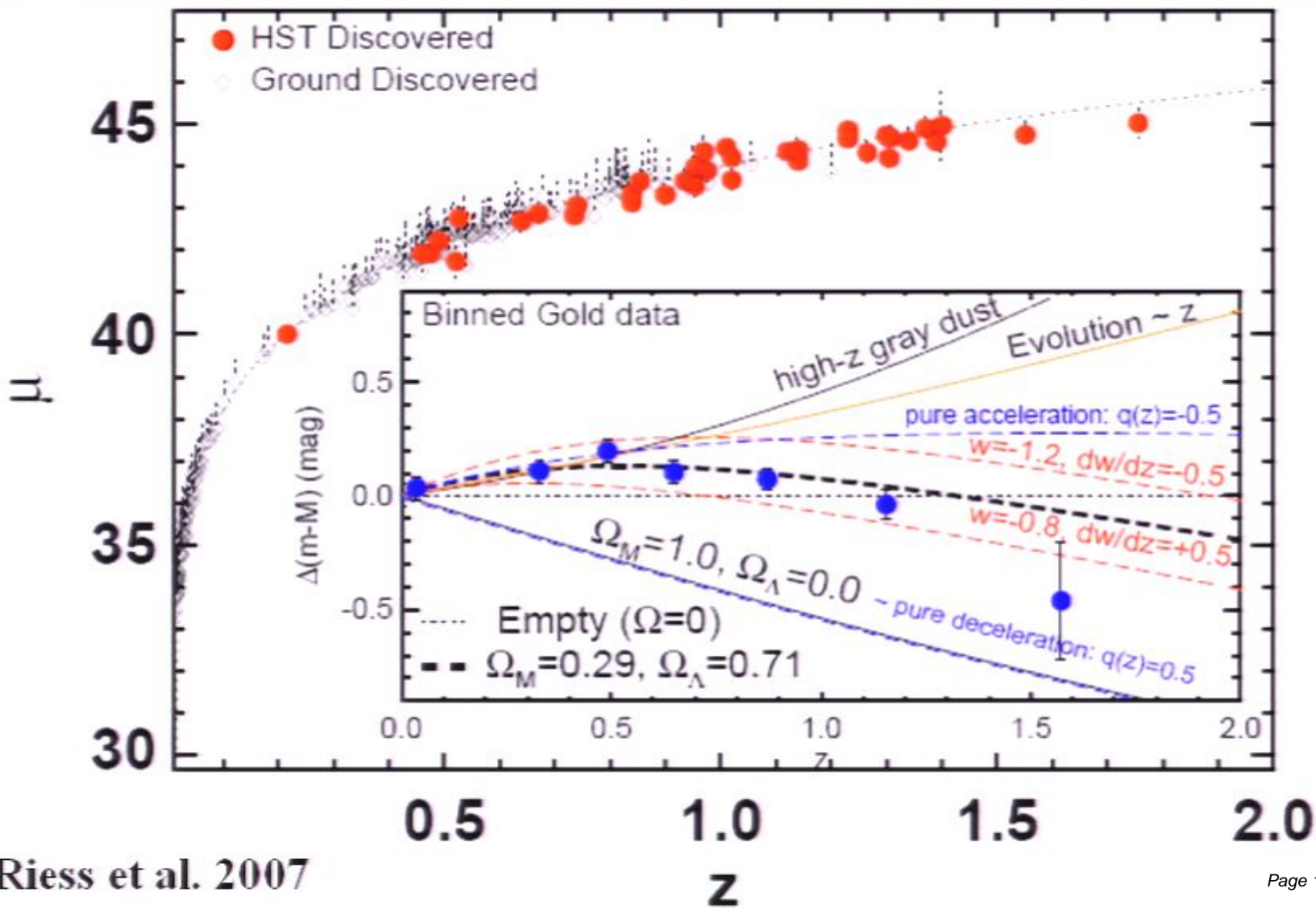
- Riess et al. (2004)
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→ 23 SNe Ia with  $z > 1$

→ total of 182 SNe Ia with  $z > 0.0233$   
( $v = 7000$  km/s)

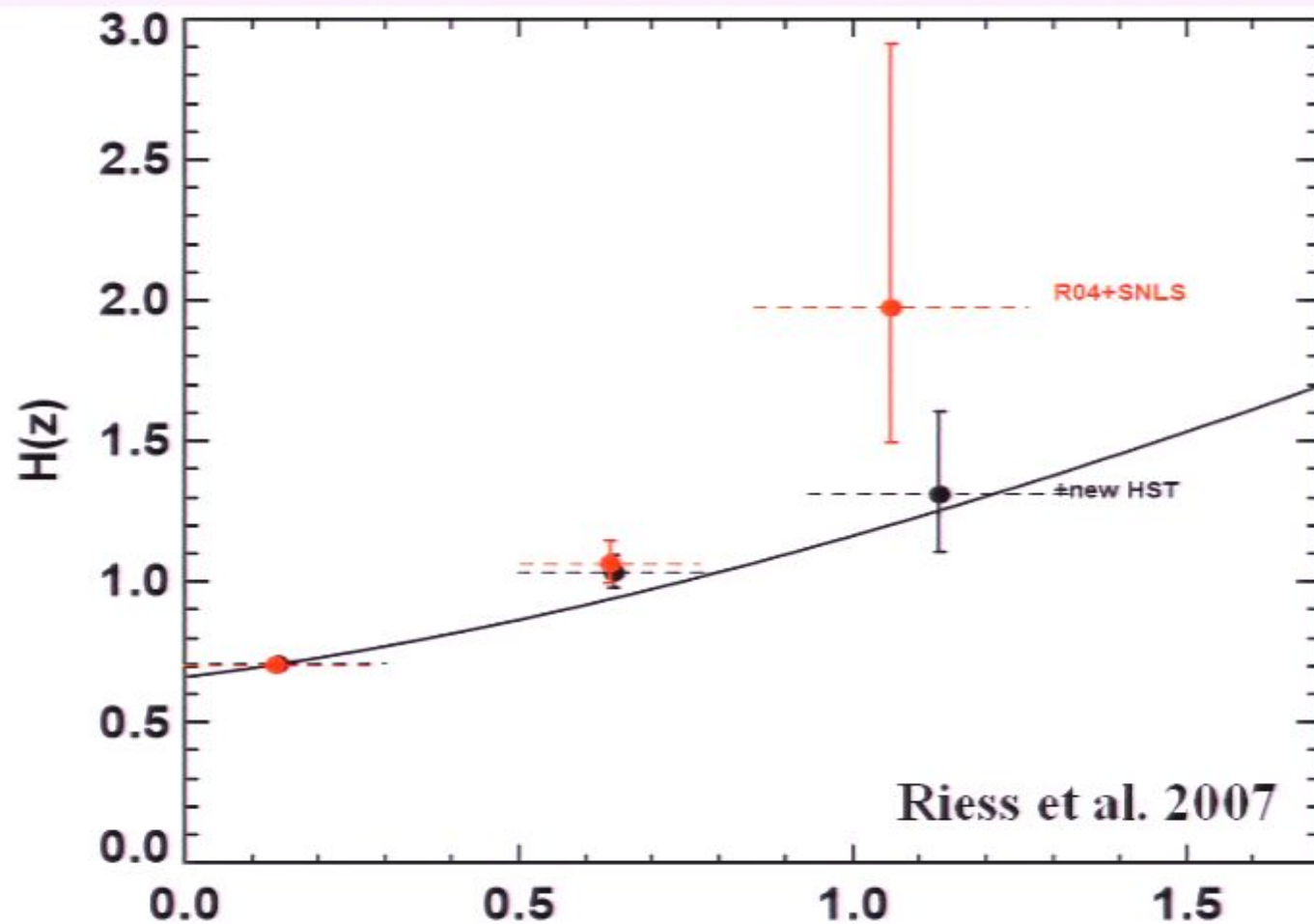
lower redshift limit to avoid any local effects

# SN Ia Hubble Diagram



# Analysis

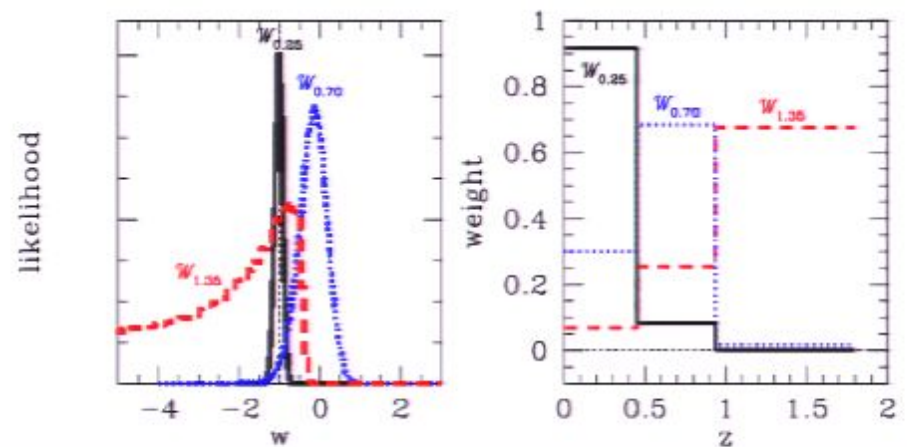
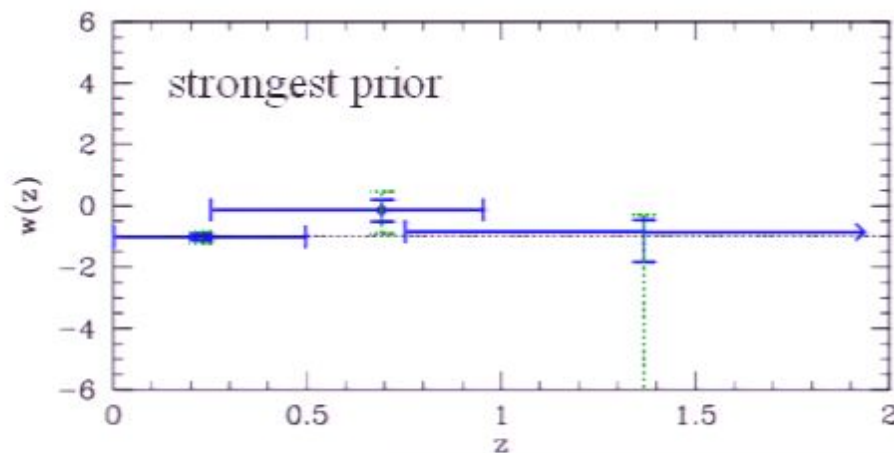
Check for acceleration, i.e.  $H(z)$   
(model independent!)



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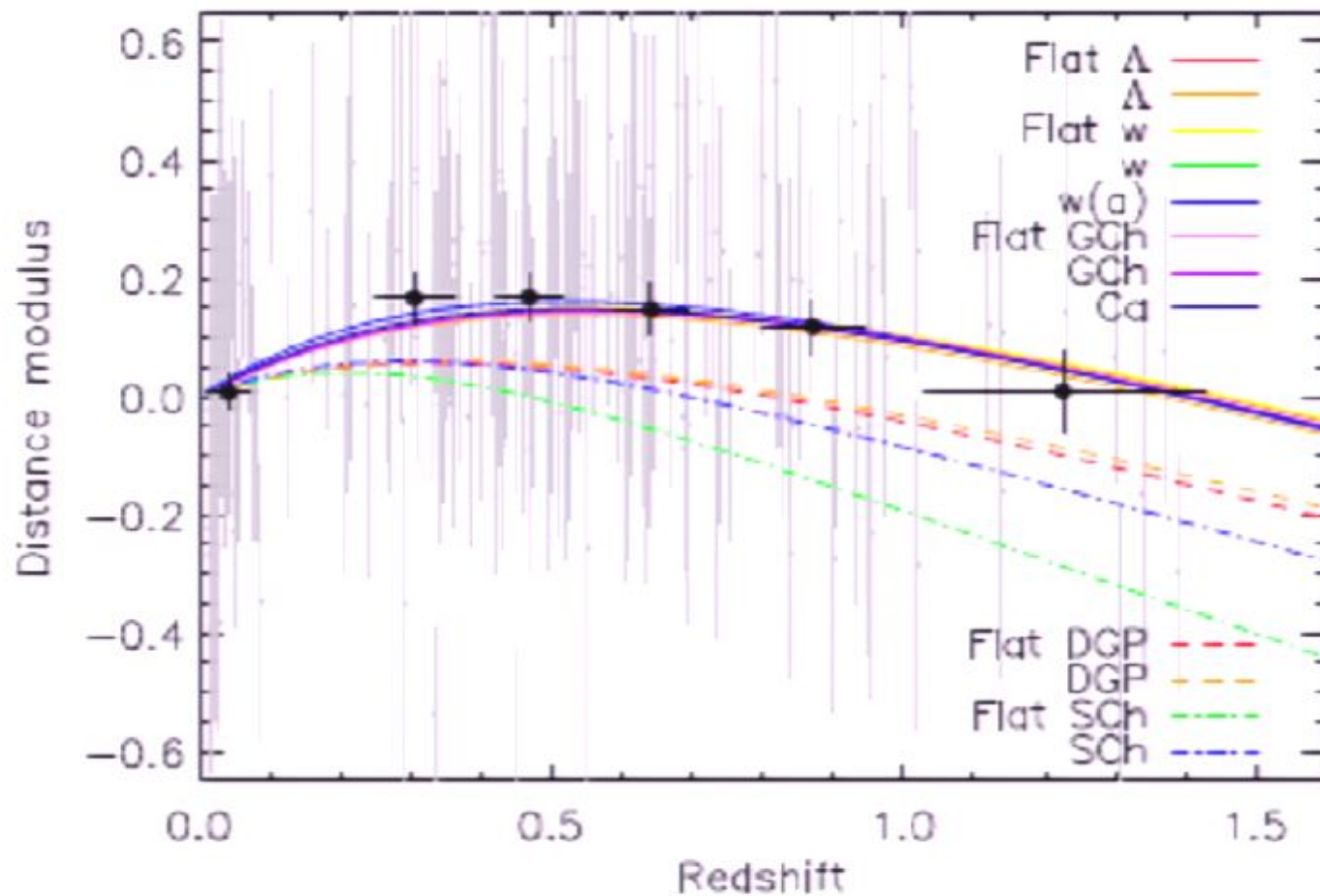
Reconstruct  $w(z)$  from the data following  
Huterer & Cooray (2005):

Construct 'independent' redshift bins at 0.25,  
0.70 and 1.35 and compare  $w(z)$



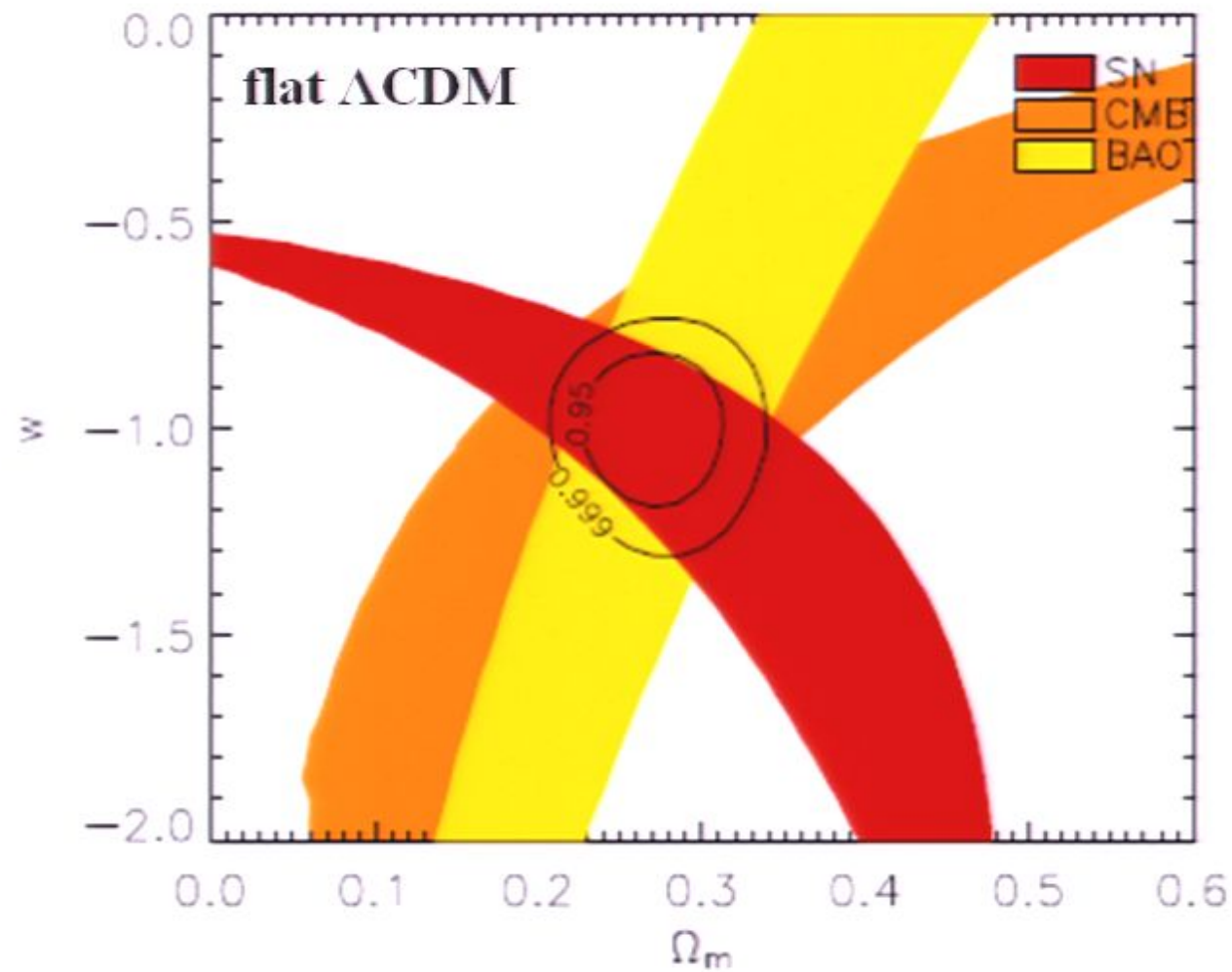
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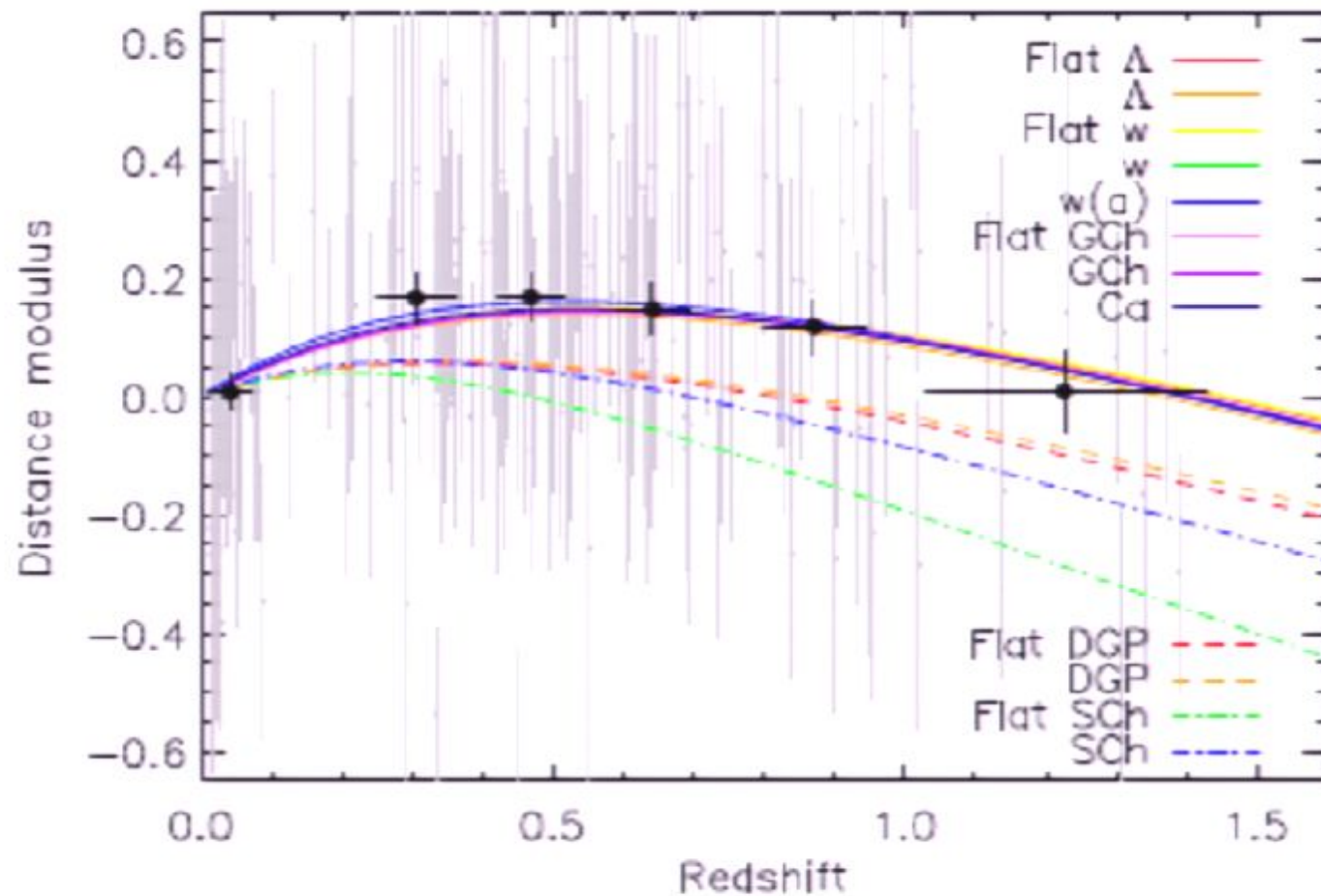
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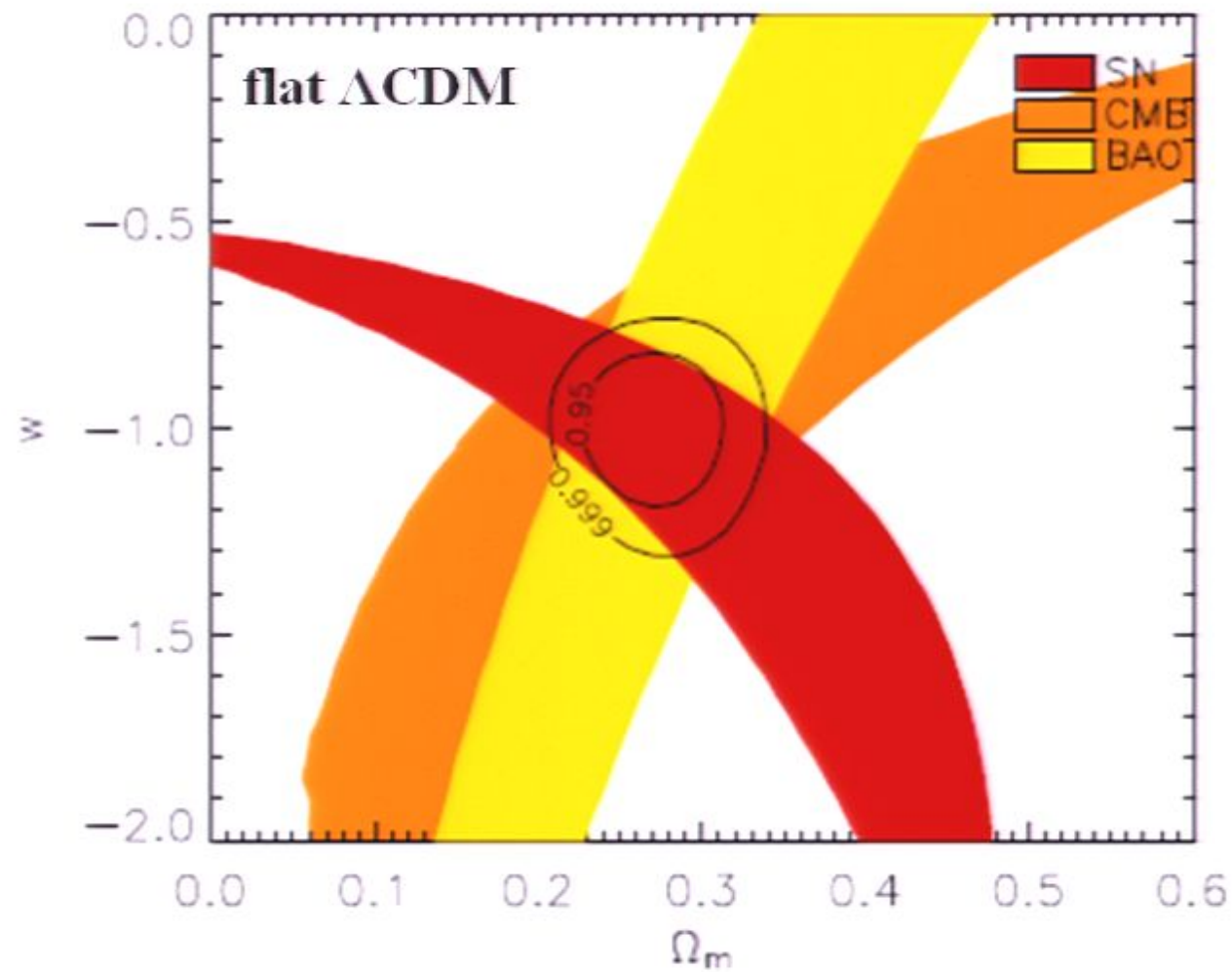
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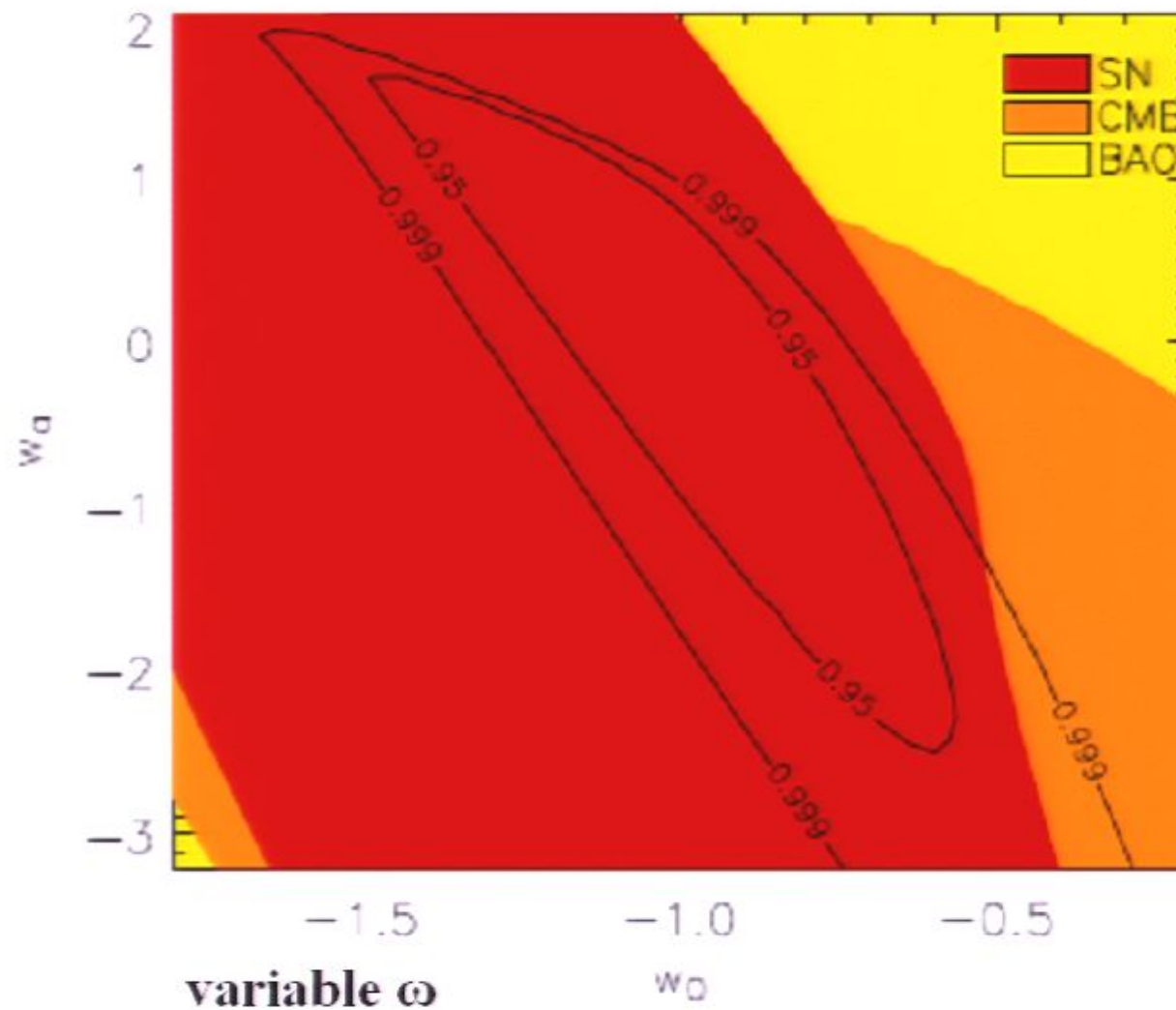
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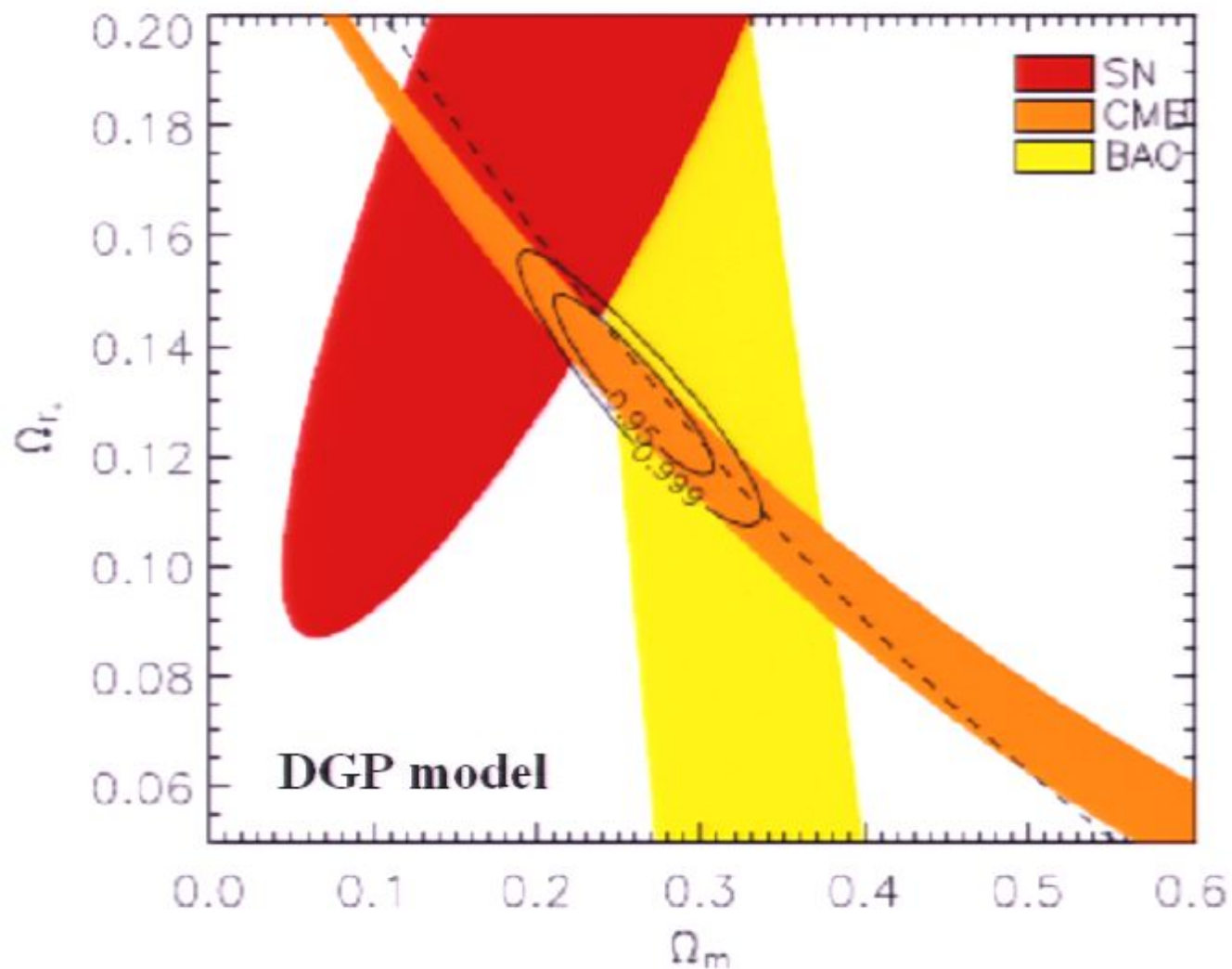
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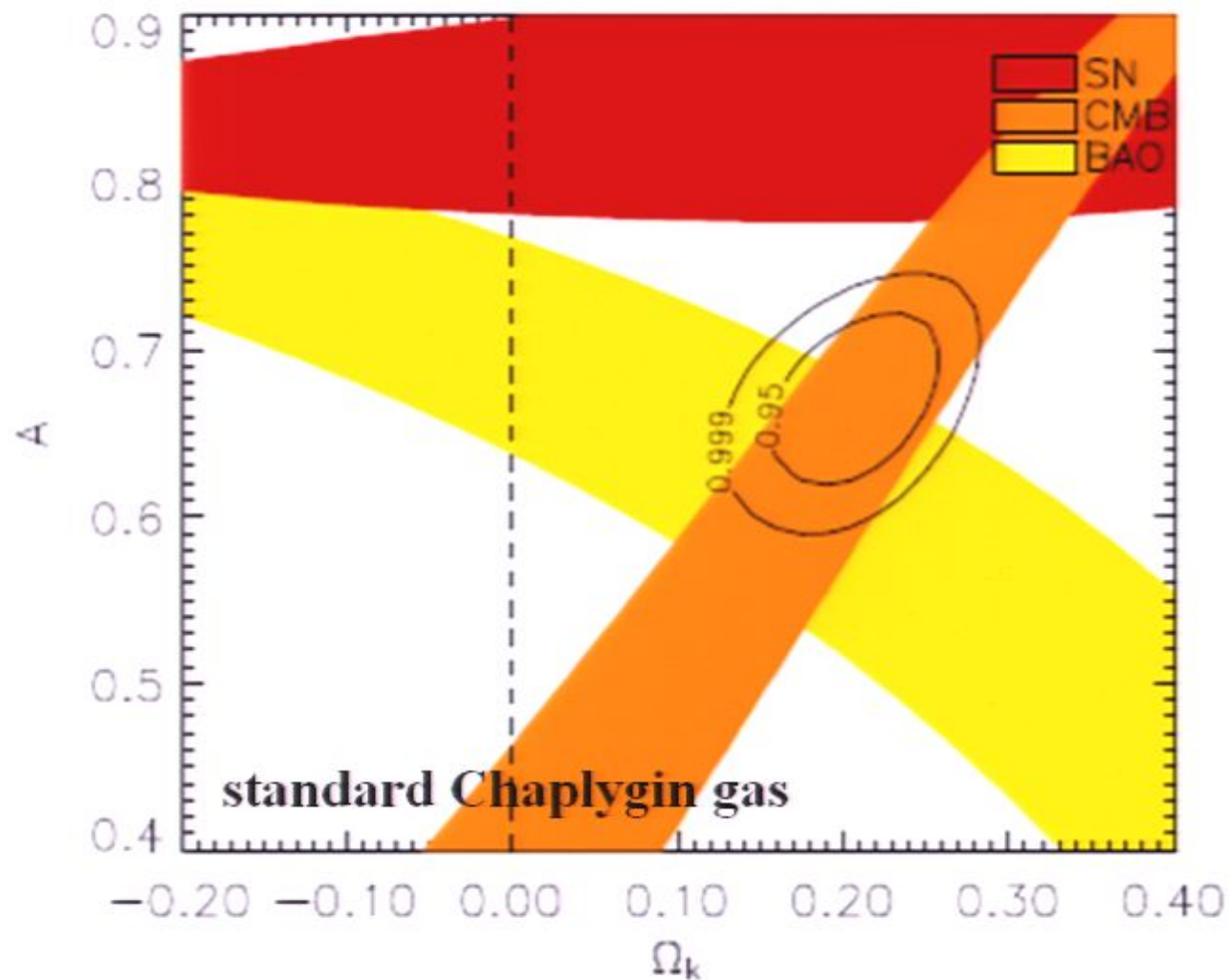
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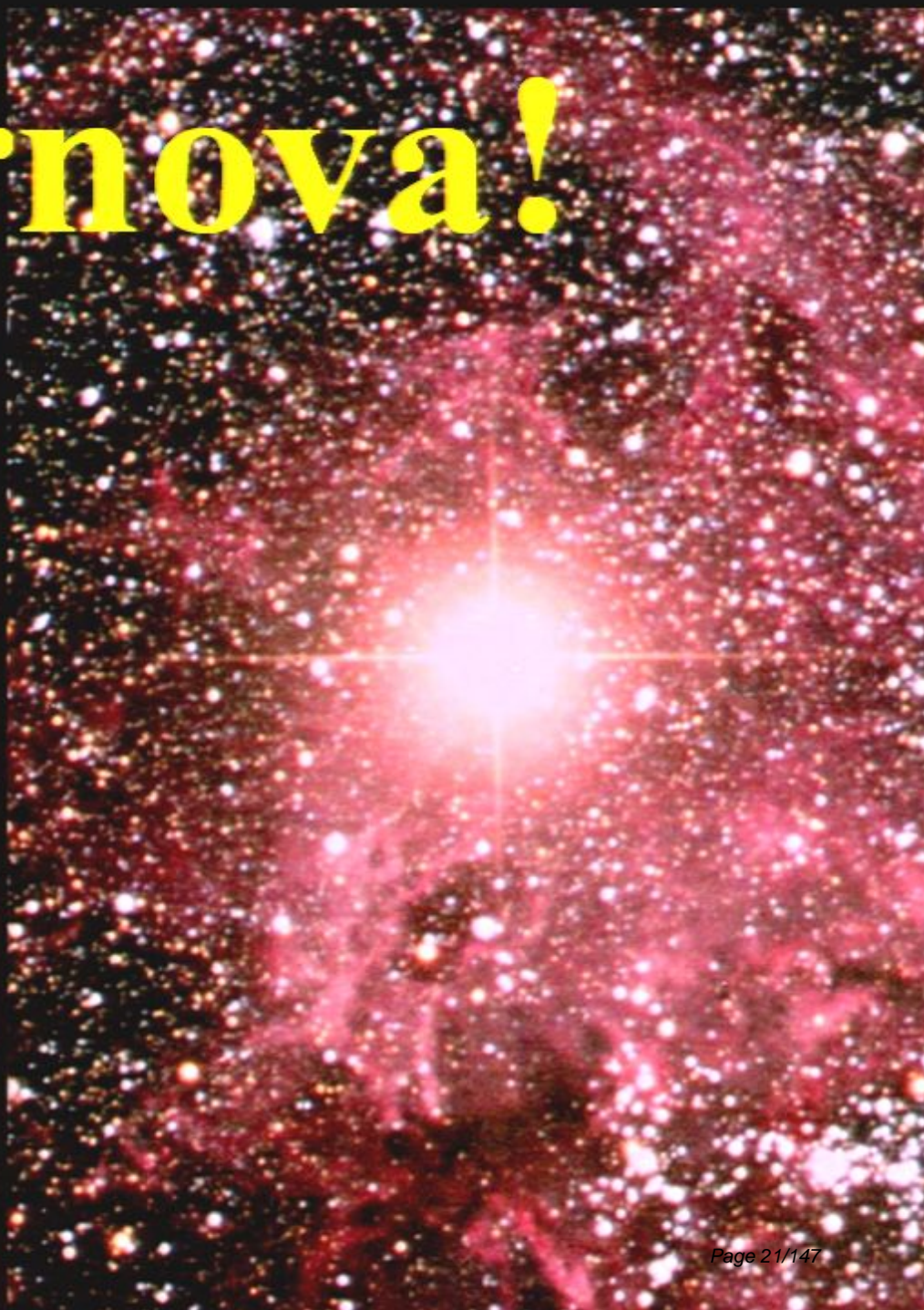


# Astrophysics

To measure cosmological parameters  
(distances) you need to

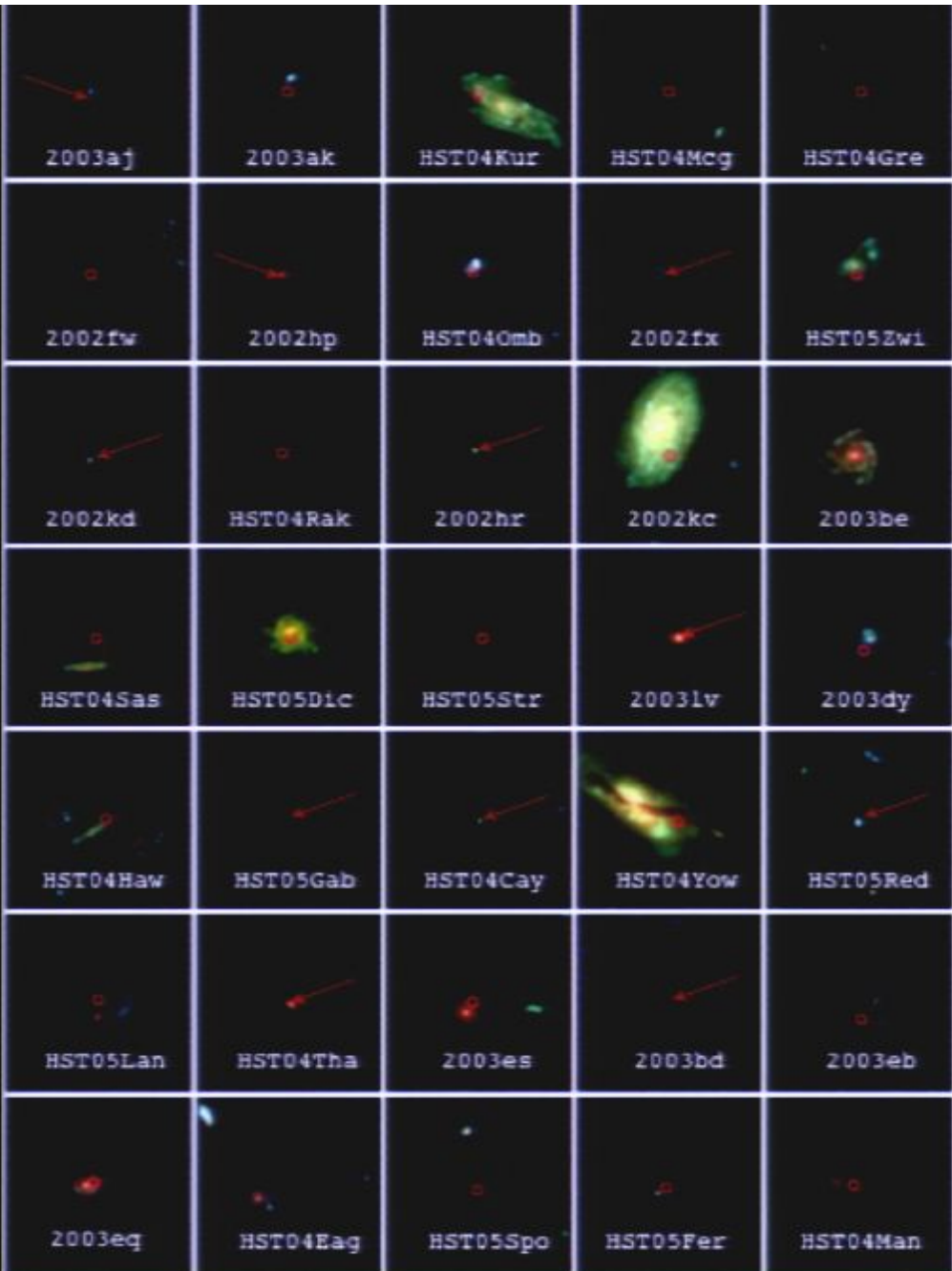
- understand your source
- understand what can affect the light on its path to the observer ('foregrounds')
- know your local environment

# Supernova!

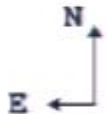


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**Supernovae!**



**Riess et al. 2007**

# Systematics

**Contamination**

**Photometry**

**K-corrections**

**Malmquist bias**

**Normalisation**

**Evolution**

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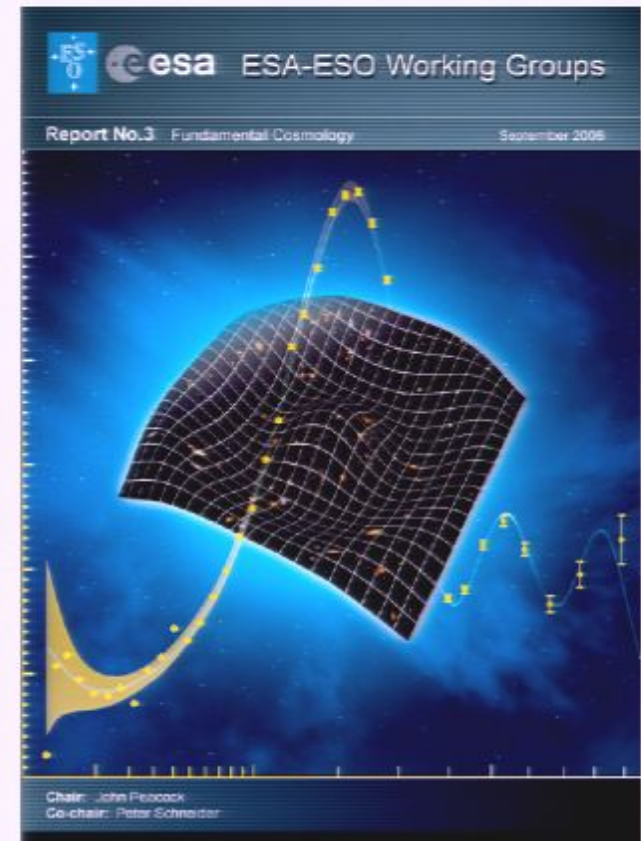
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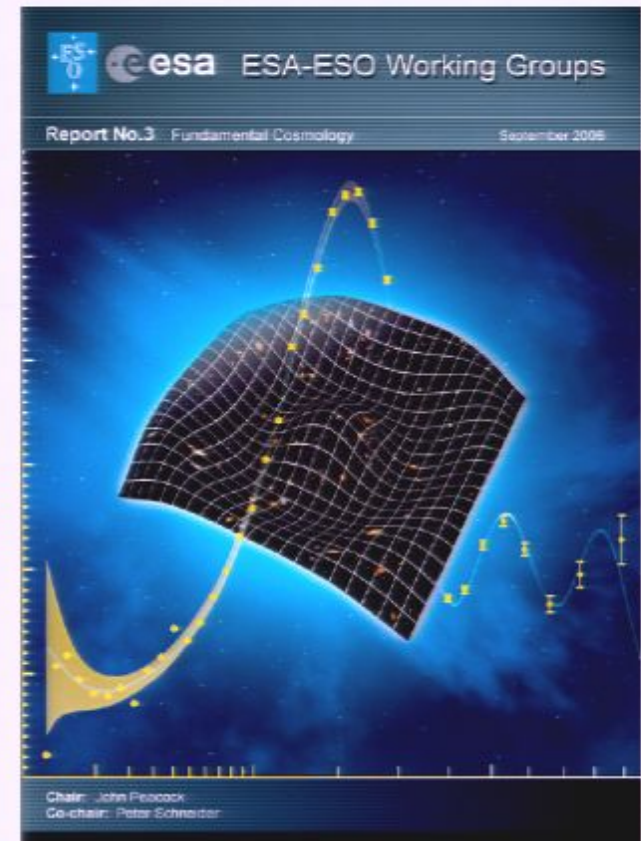
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# Know your source

## Type Ia Supernovae

- **complicated source**
- **interesting physics**
- **progenitor systems**

→ **determine the global parameters of the explosions**

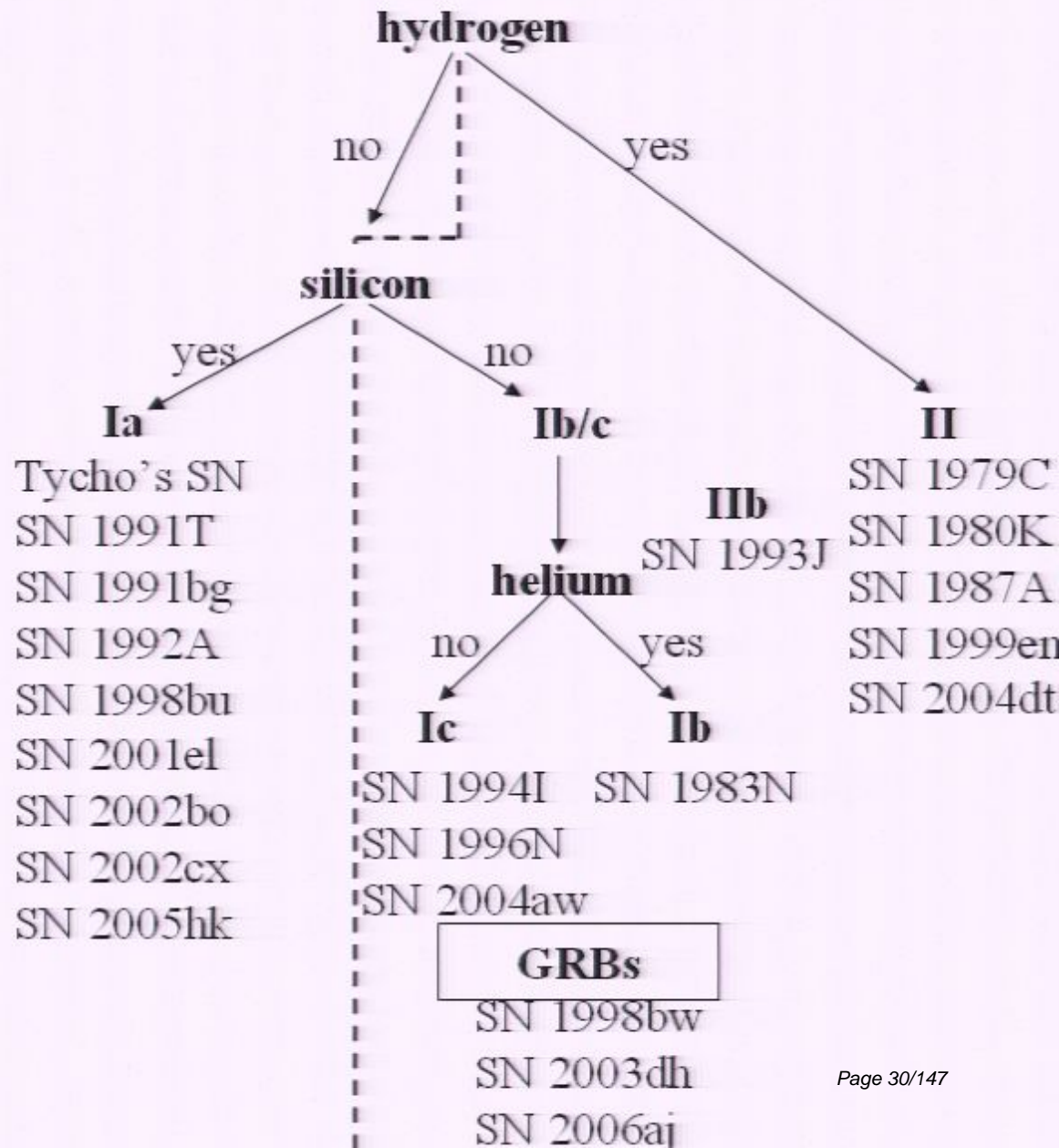
- fuel → nickel mass → distribution in the ejecta
- total mass
- explosion energy

# Supernova classification

based on maximum light spectroscopy

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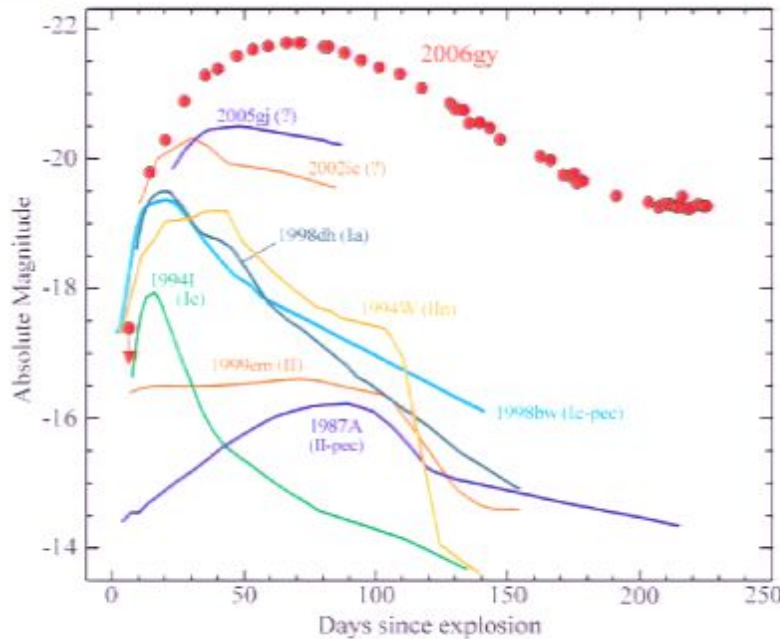
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supernovae



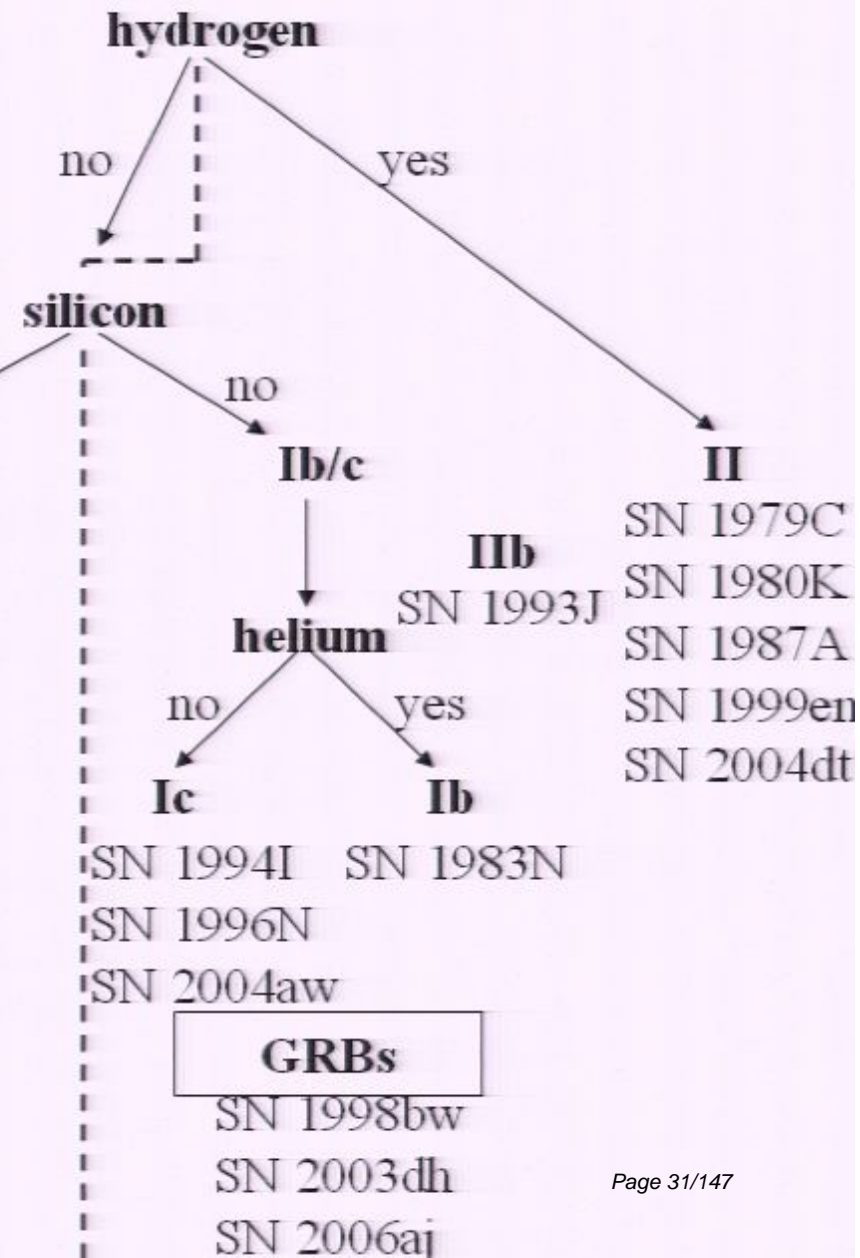
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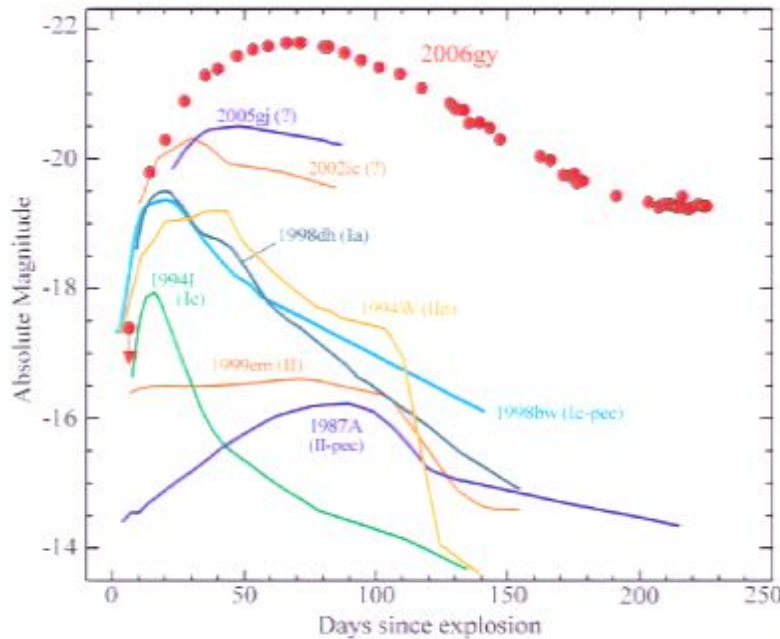


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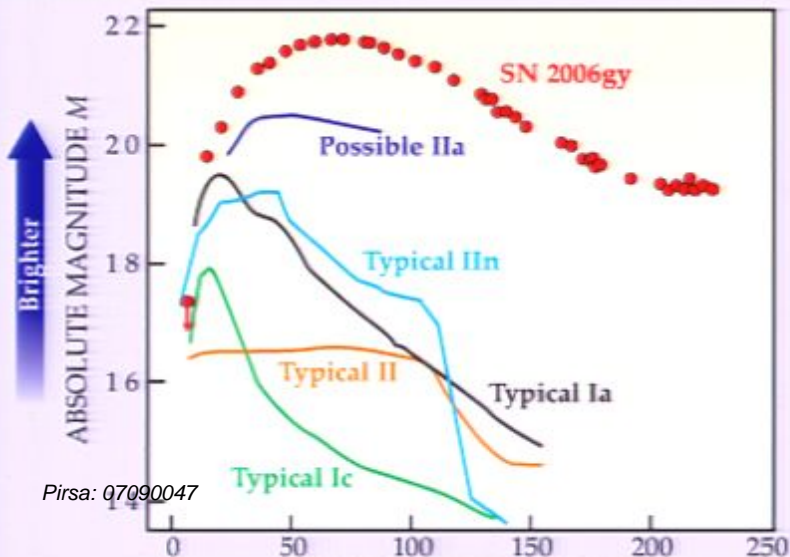
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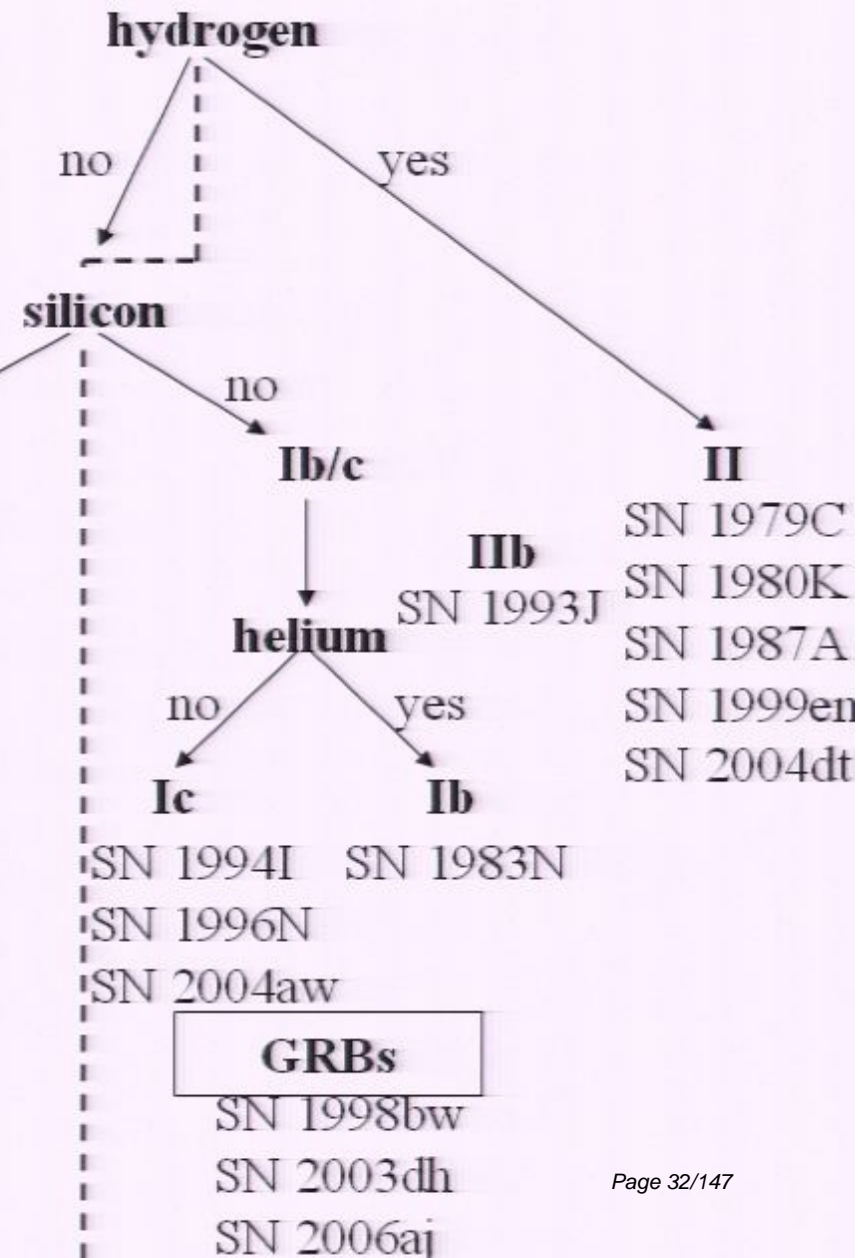
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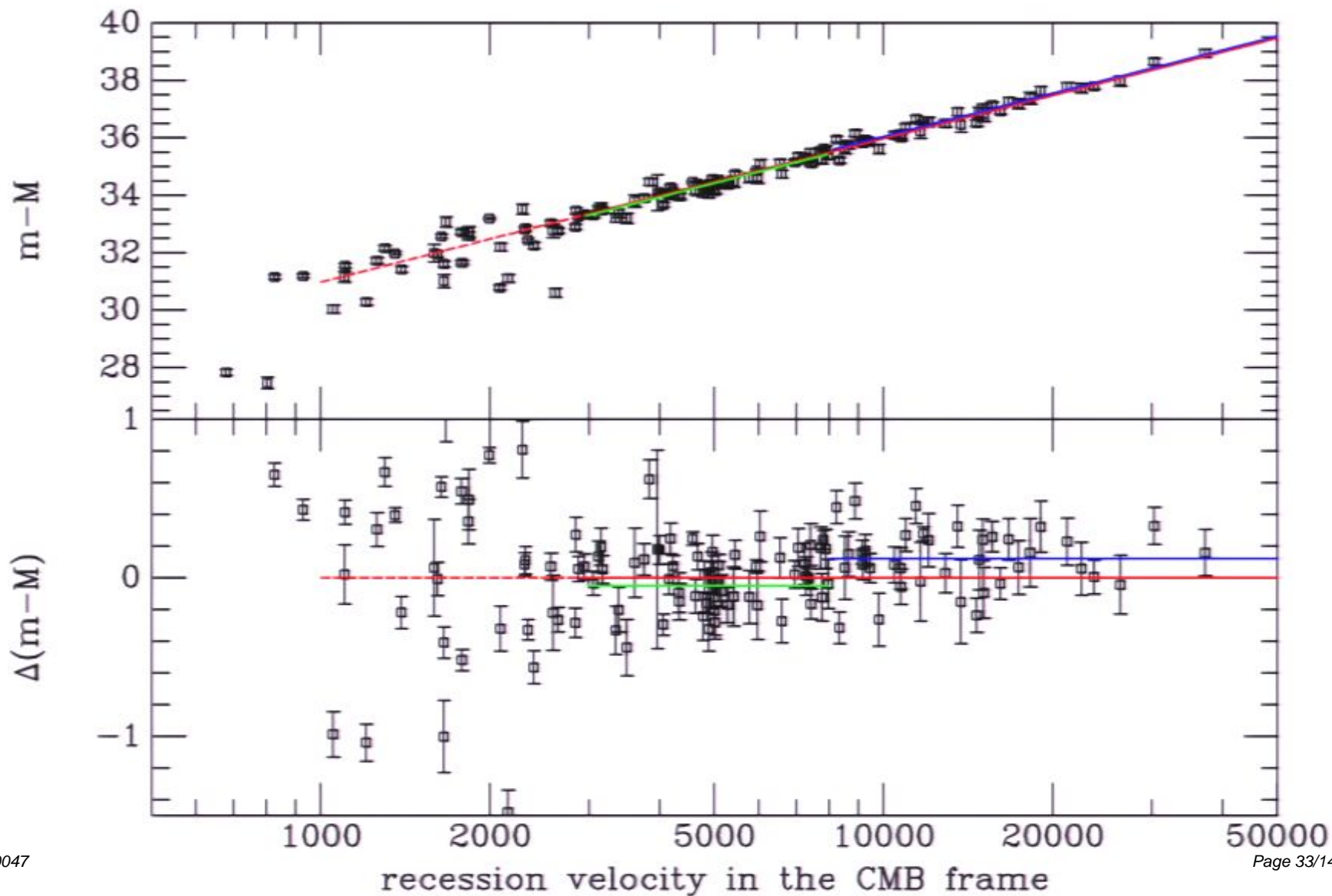


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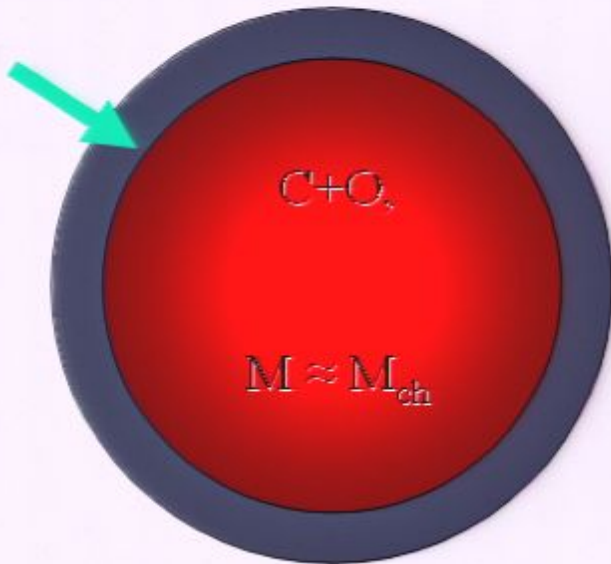


# Distance indicator!



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companion



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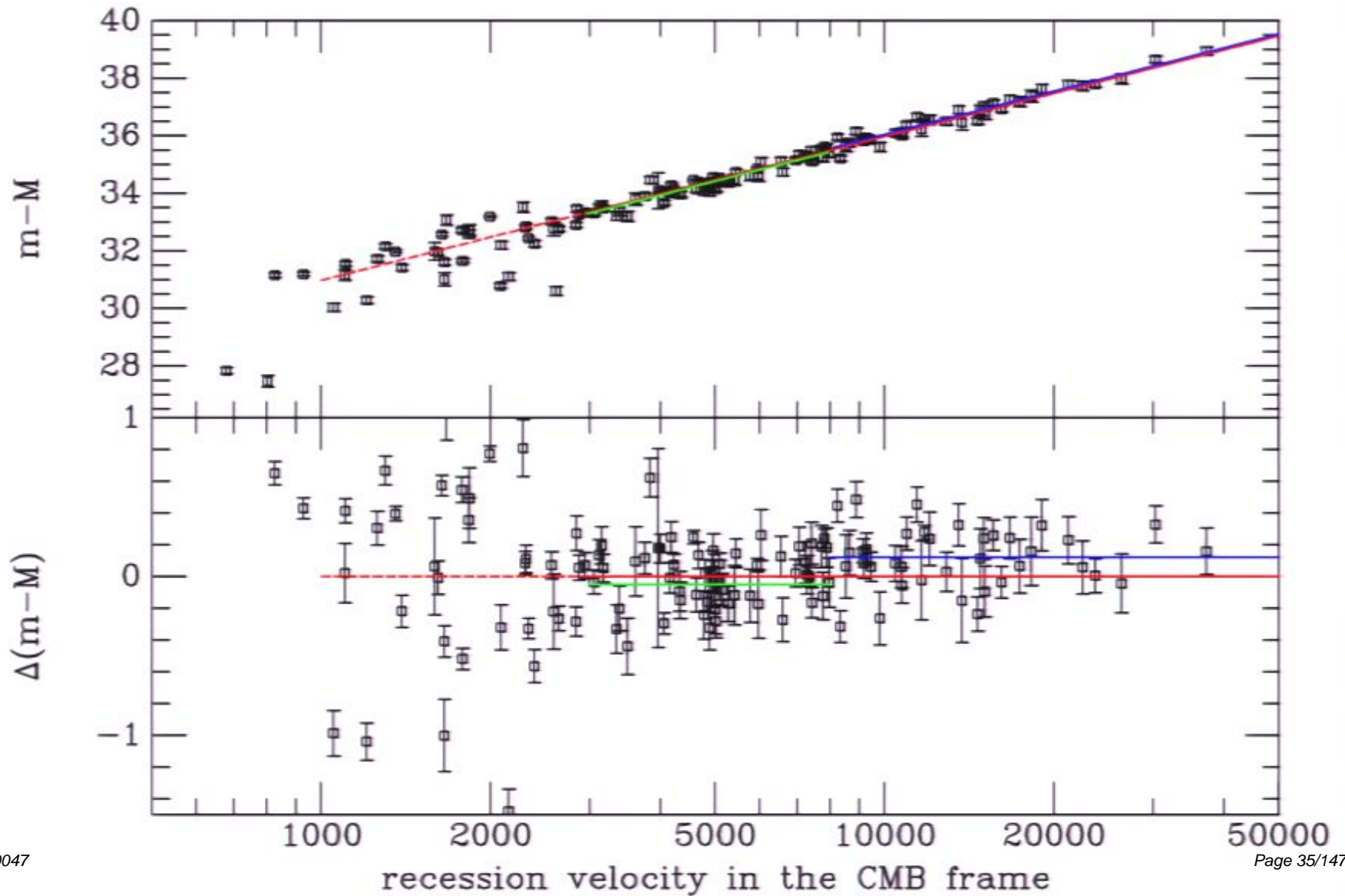
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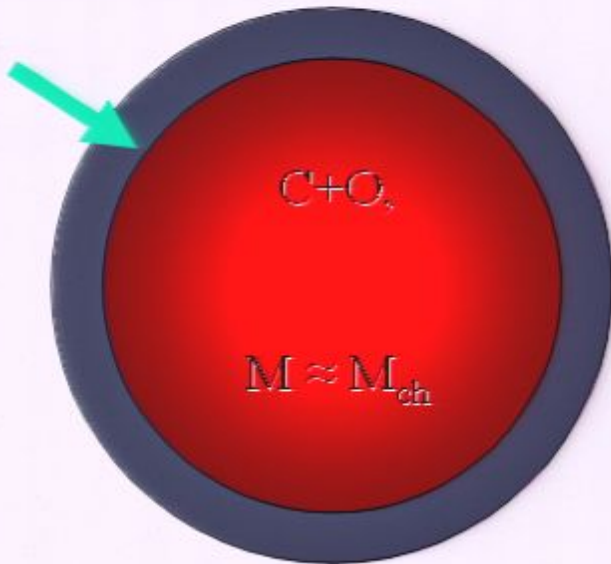
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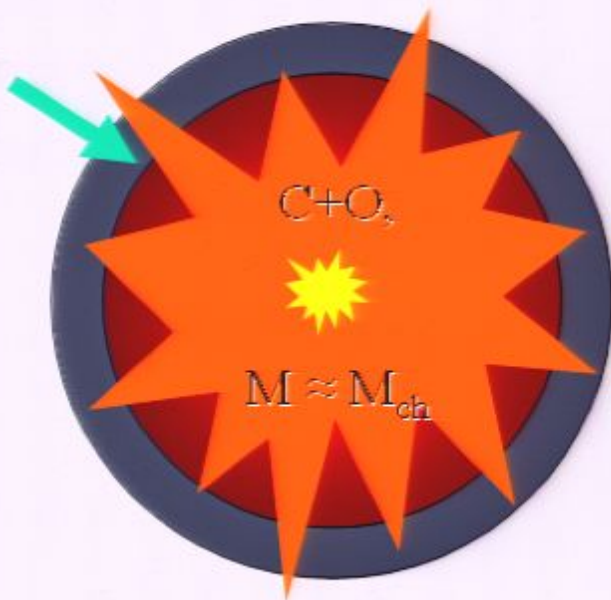
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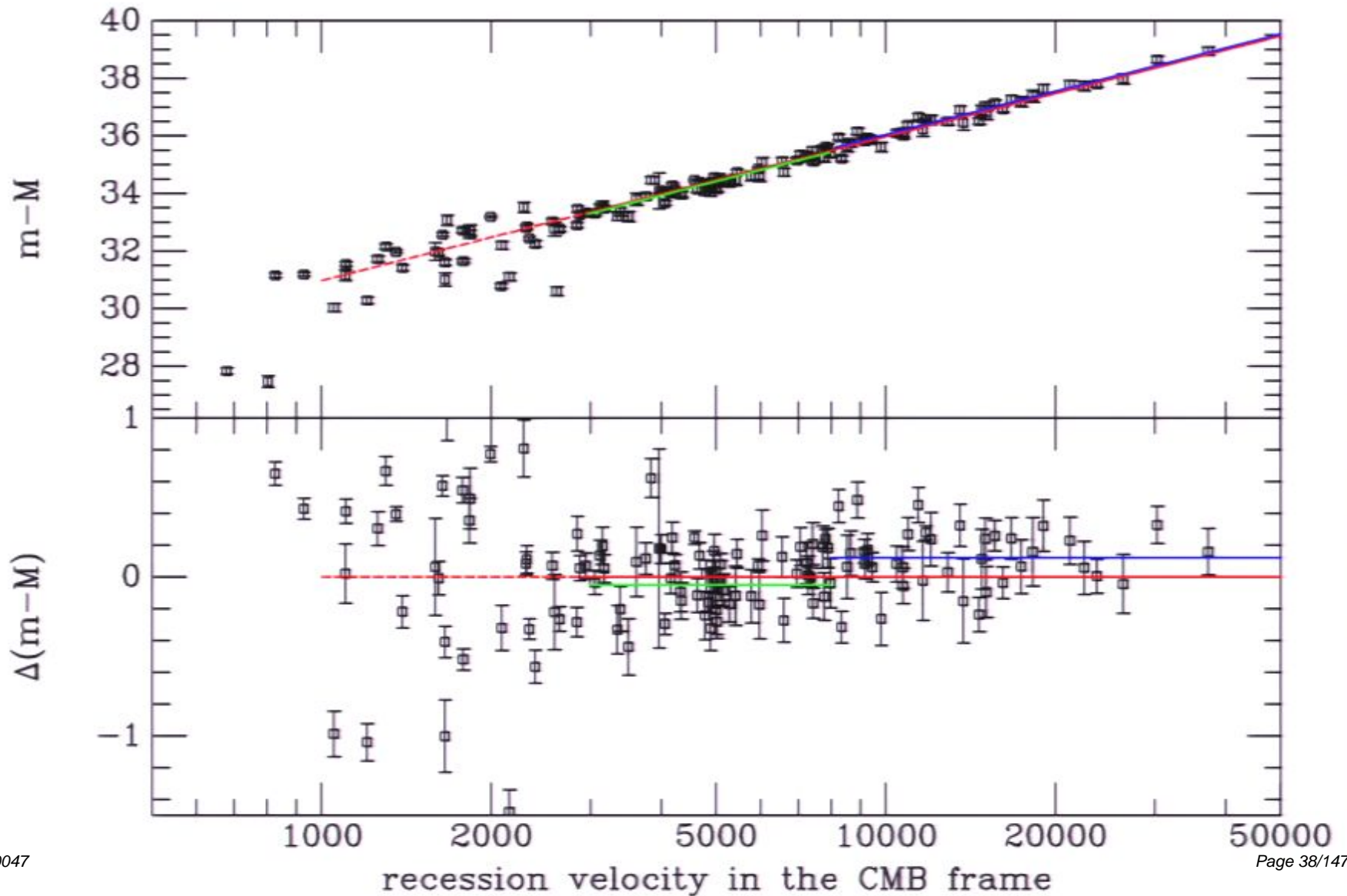
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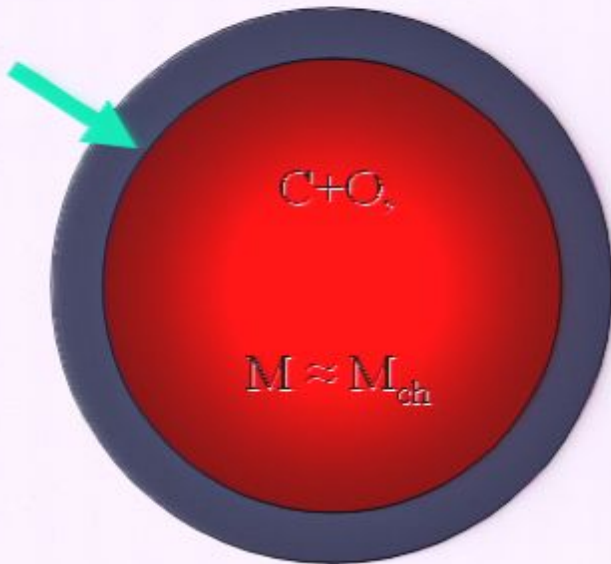
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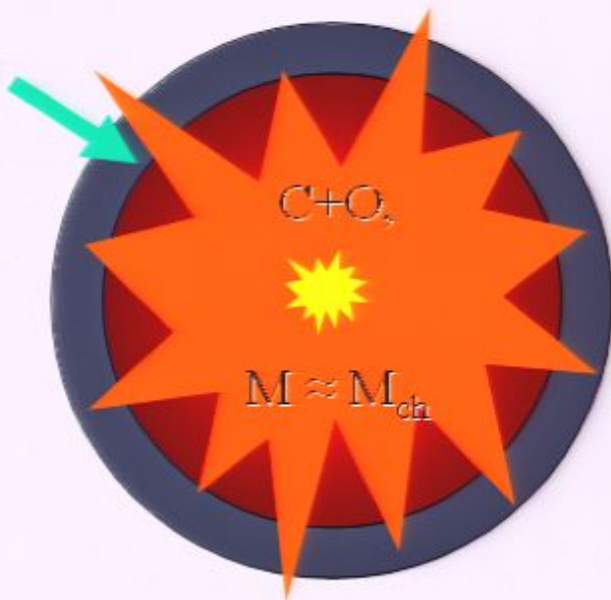
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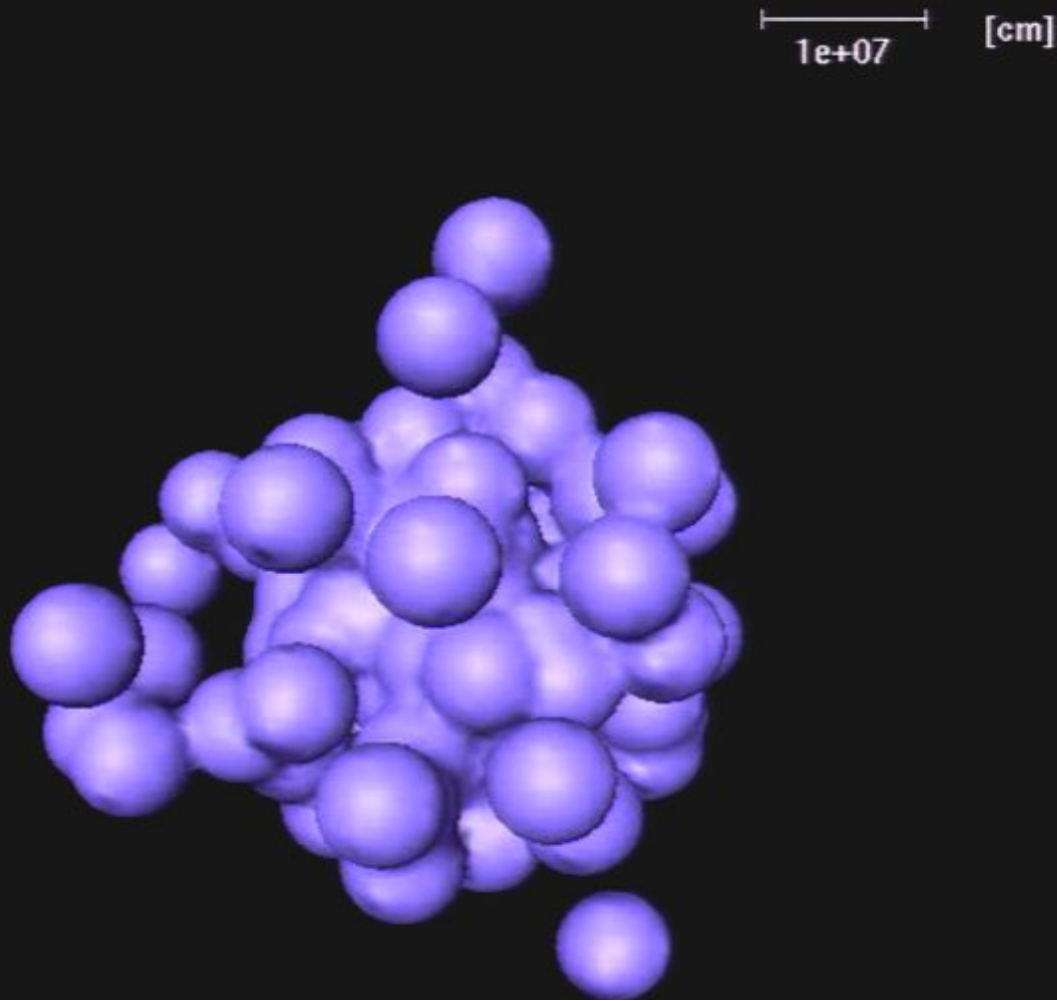
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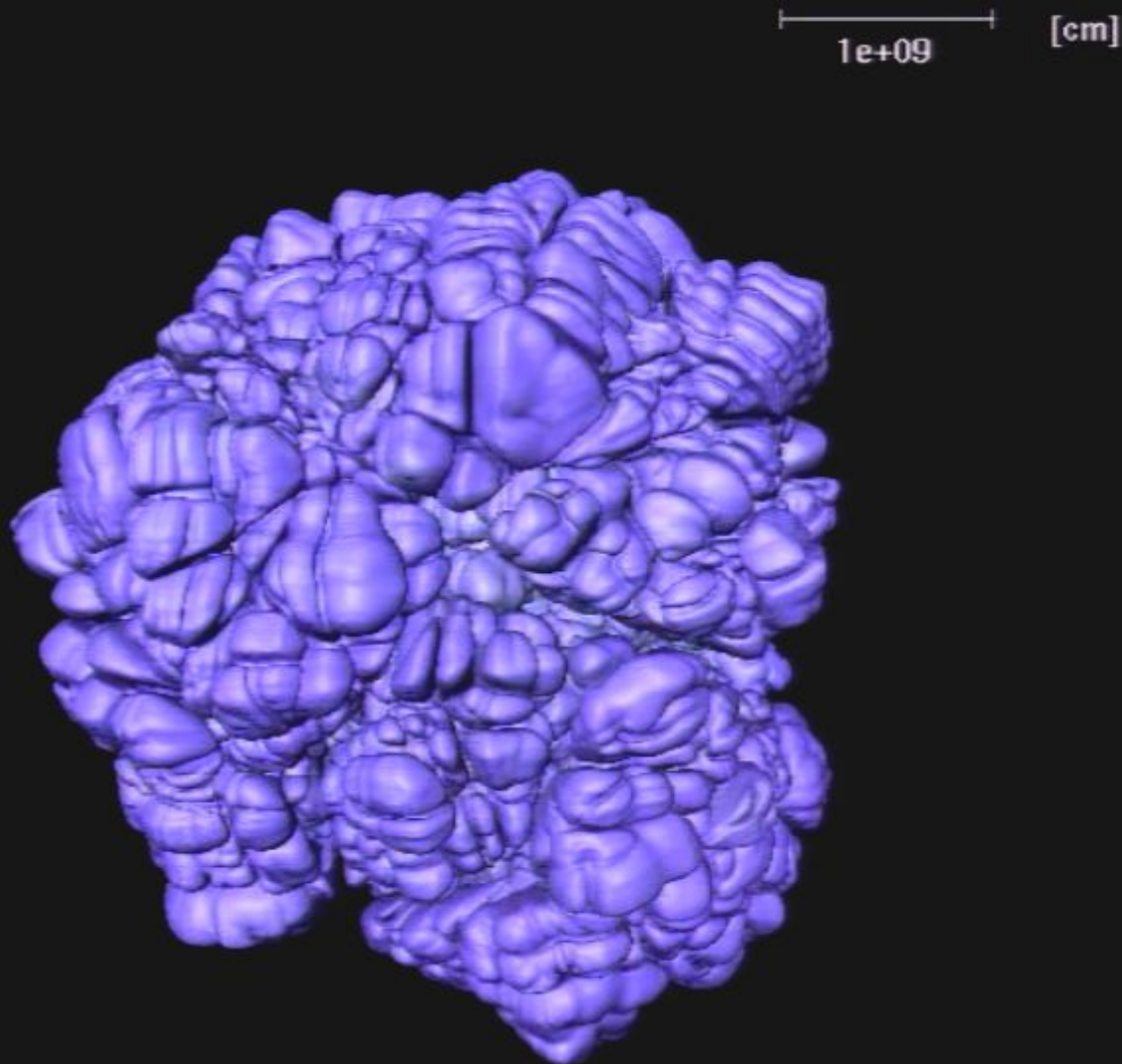
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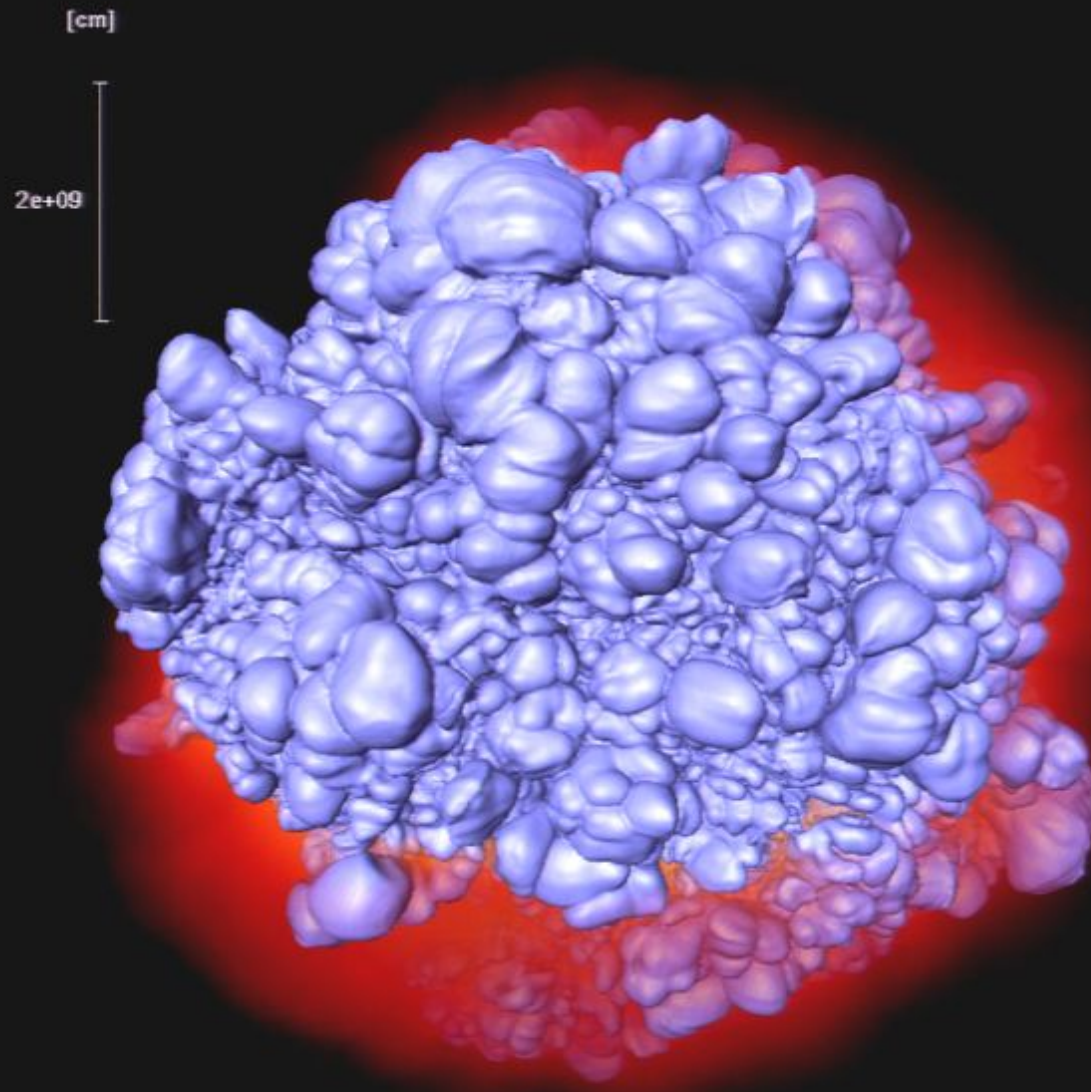
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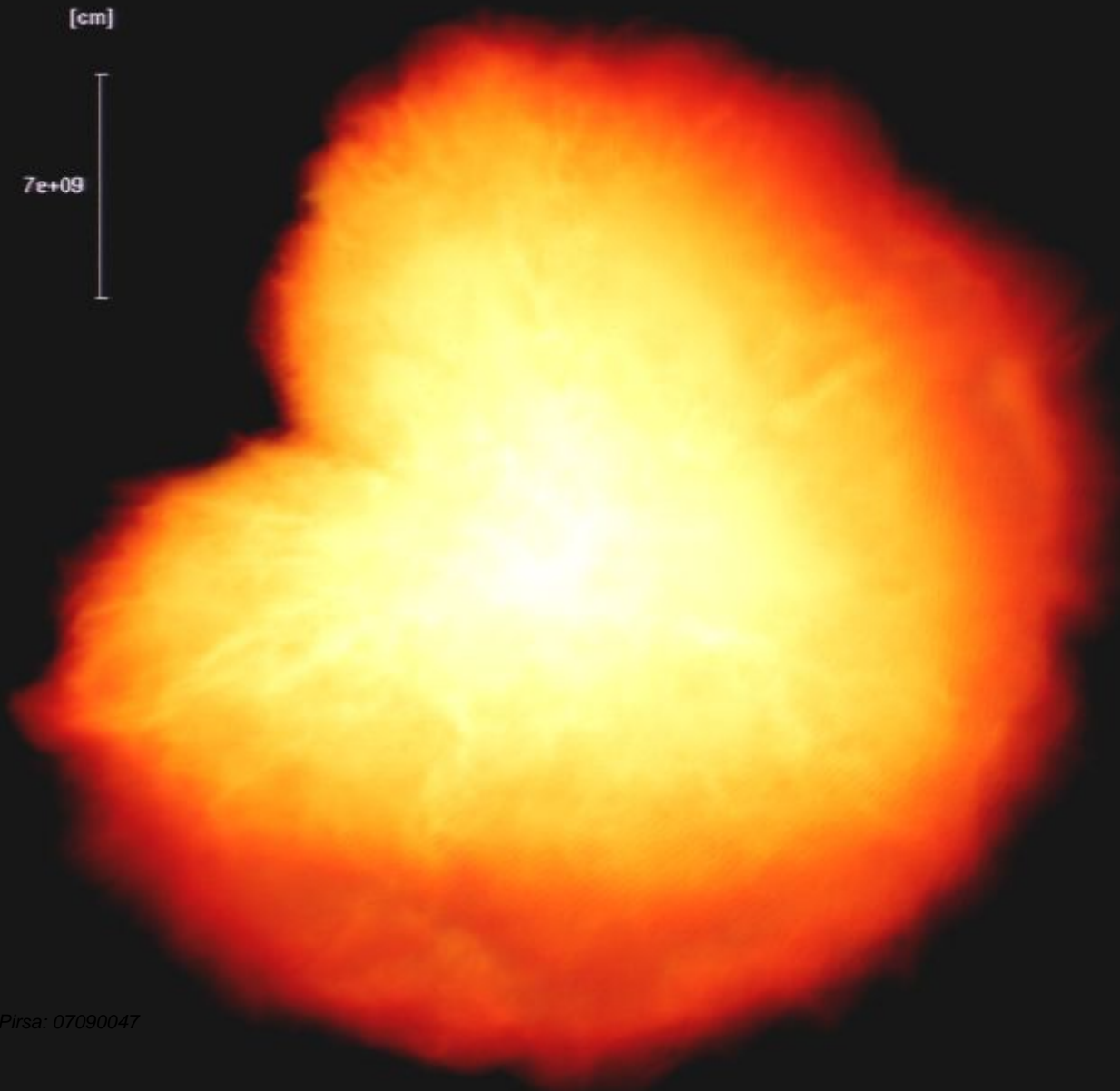
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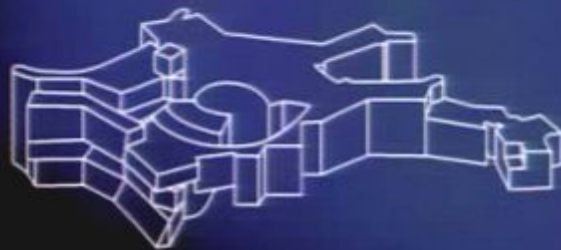
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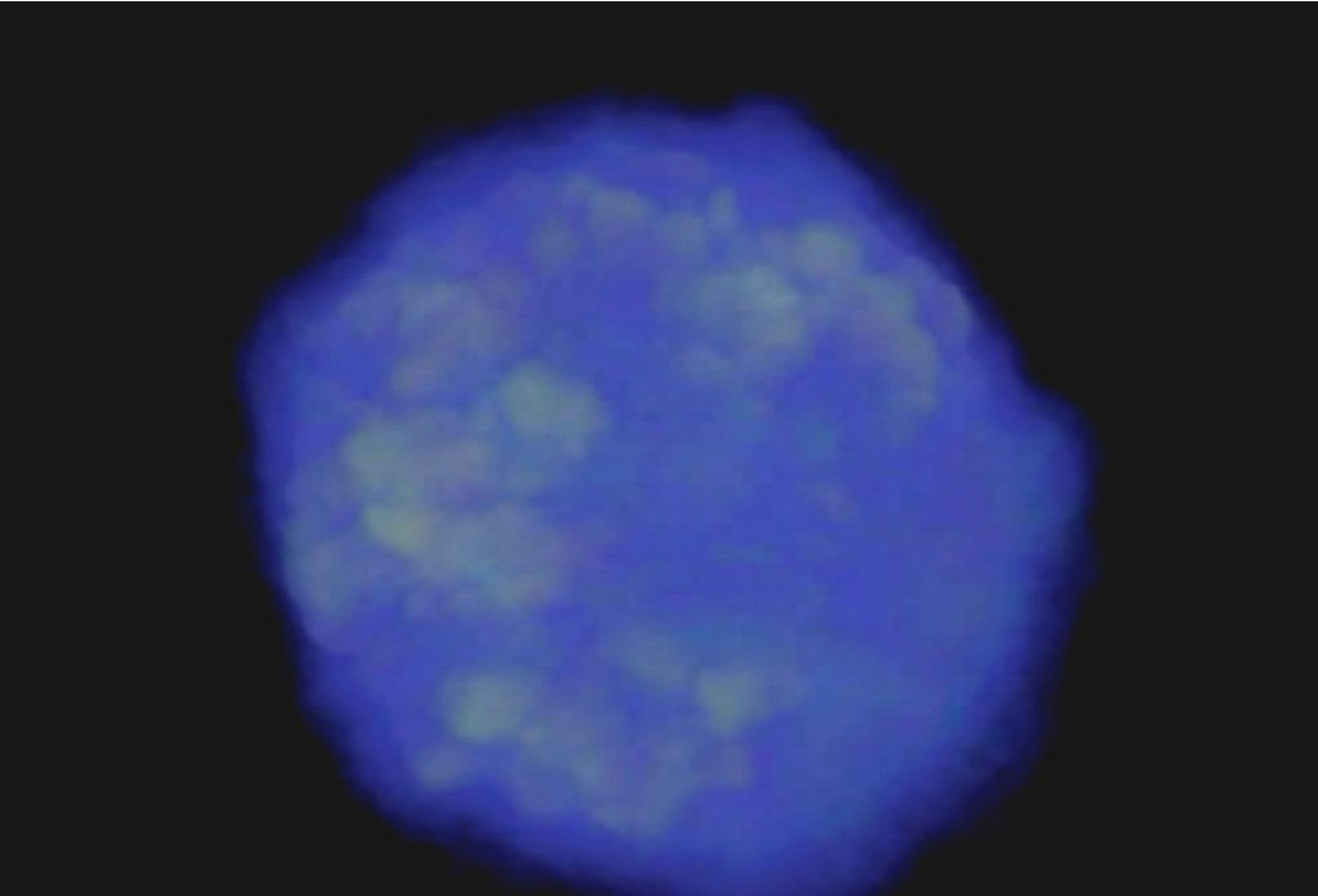
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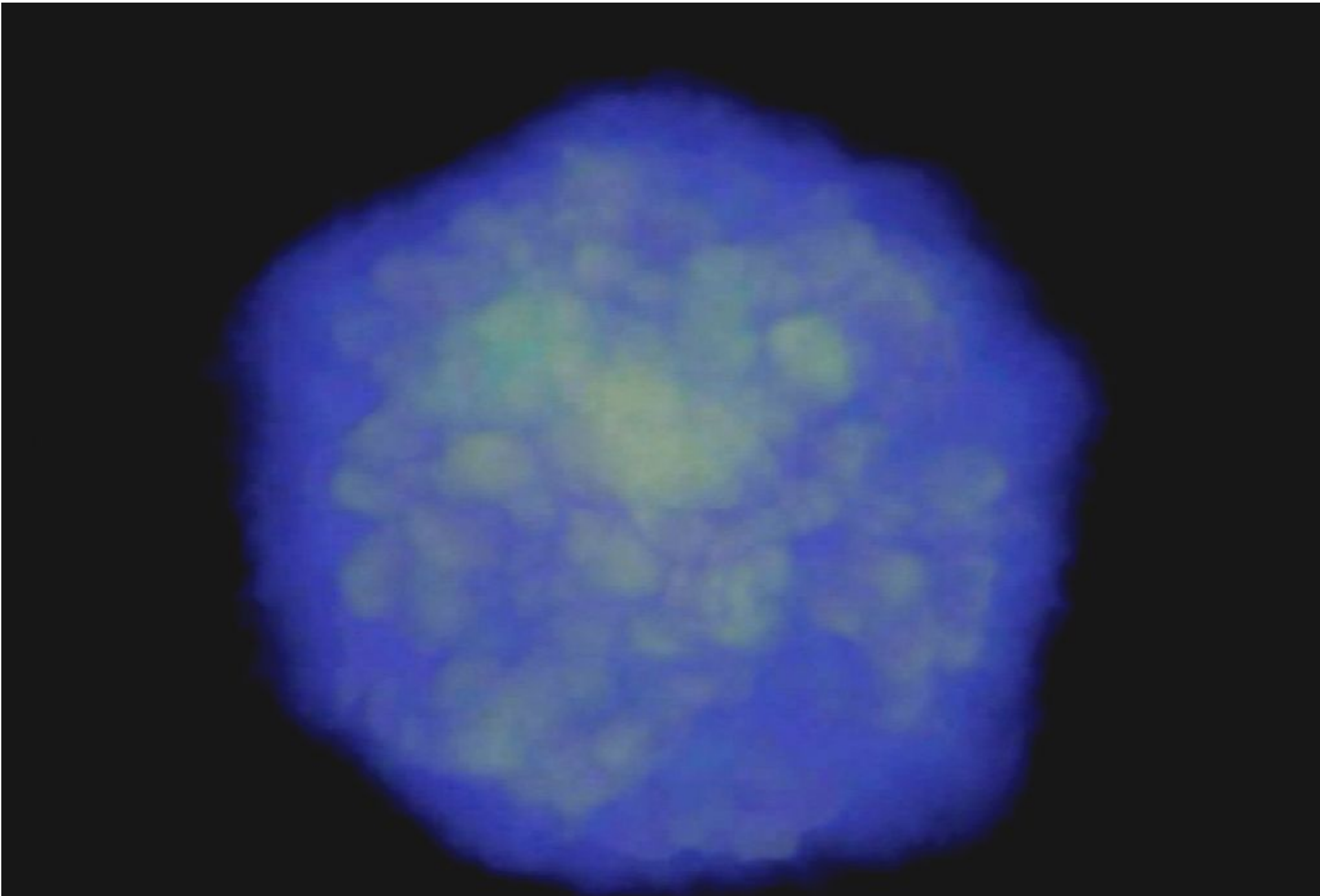
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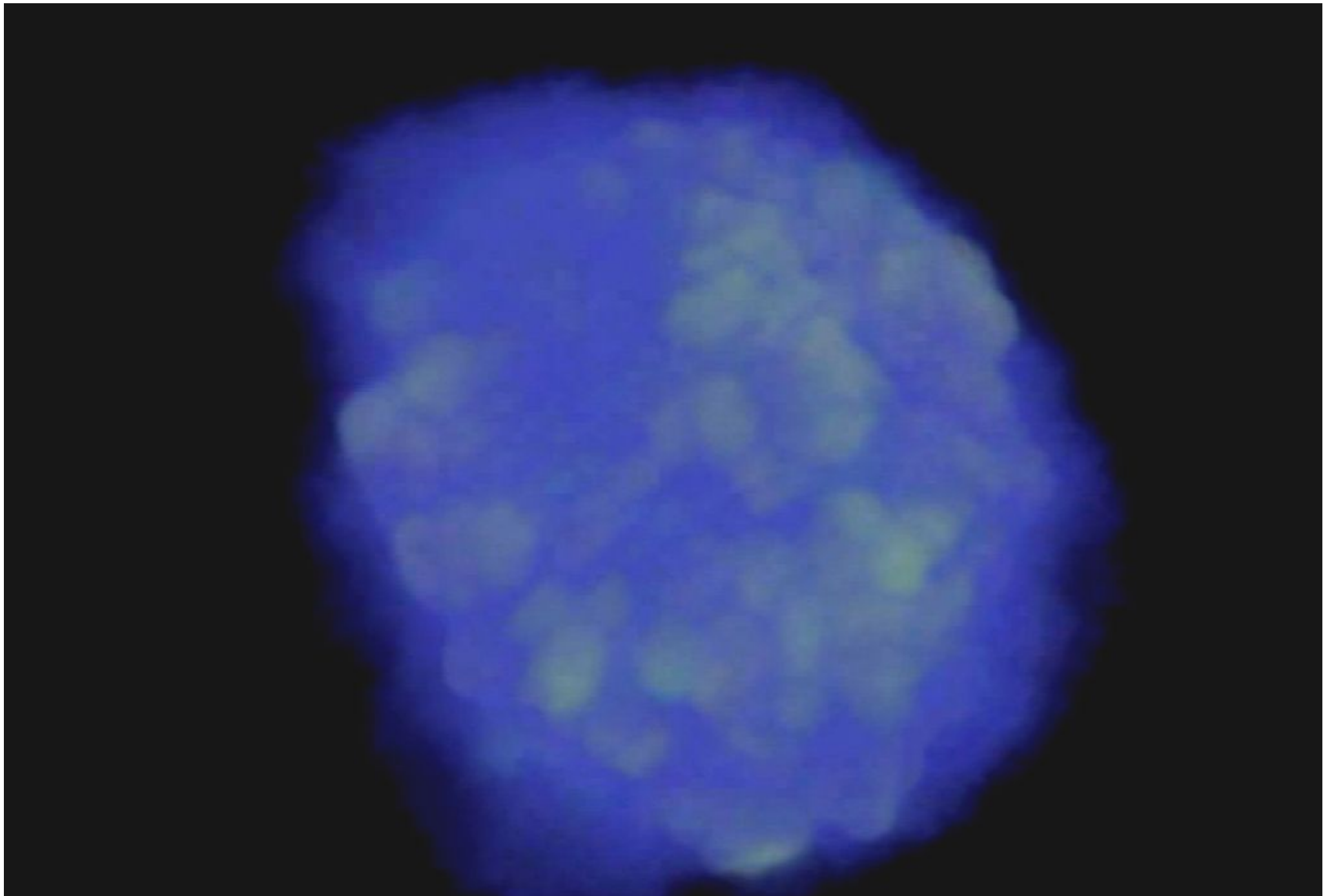


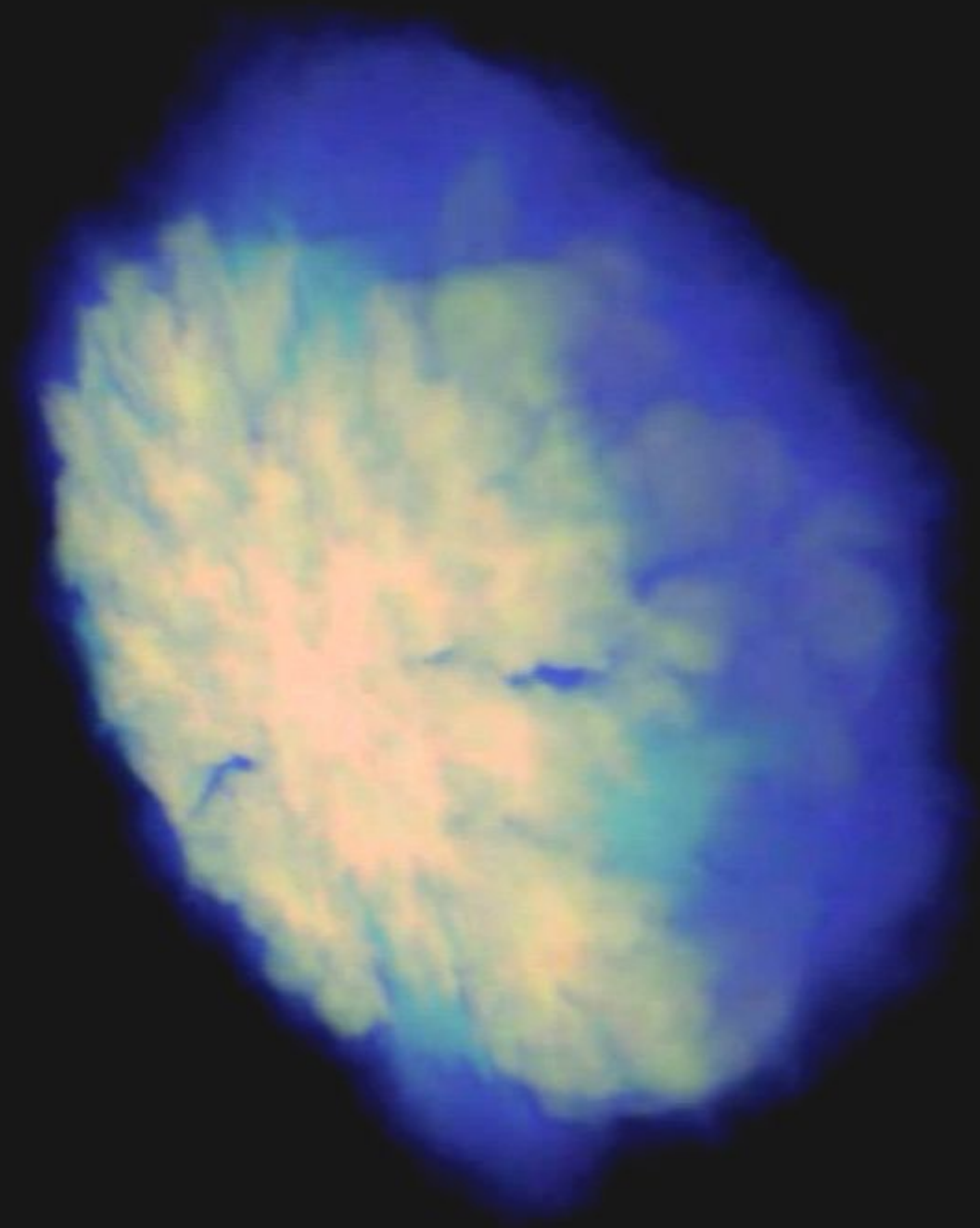
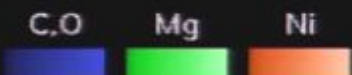
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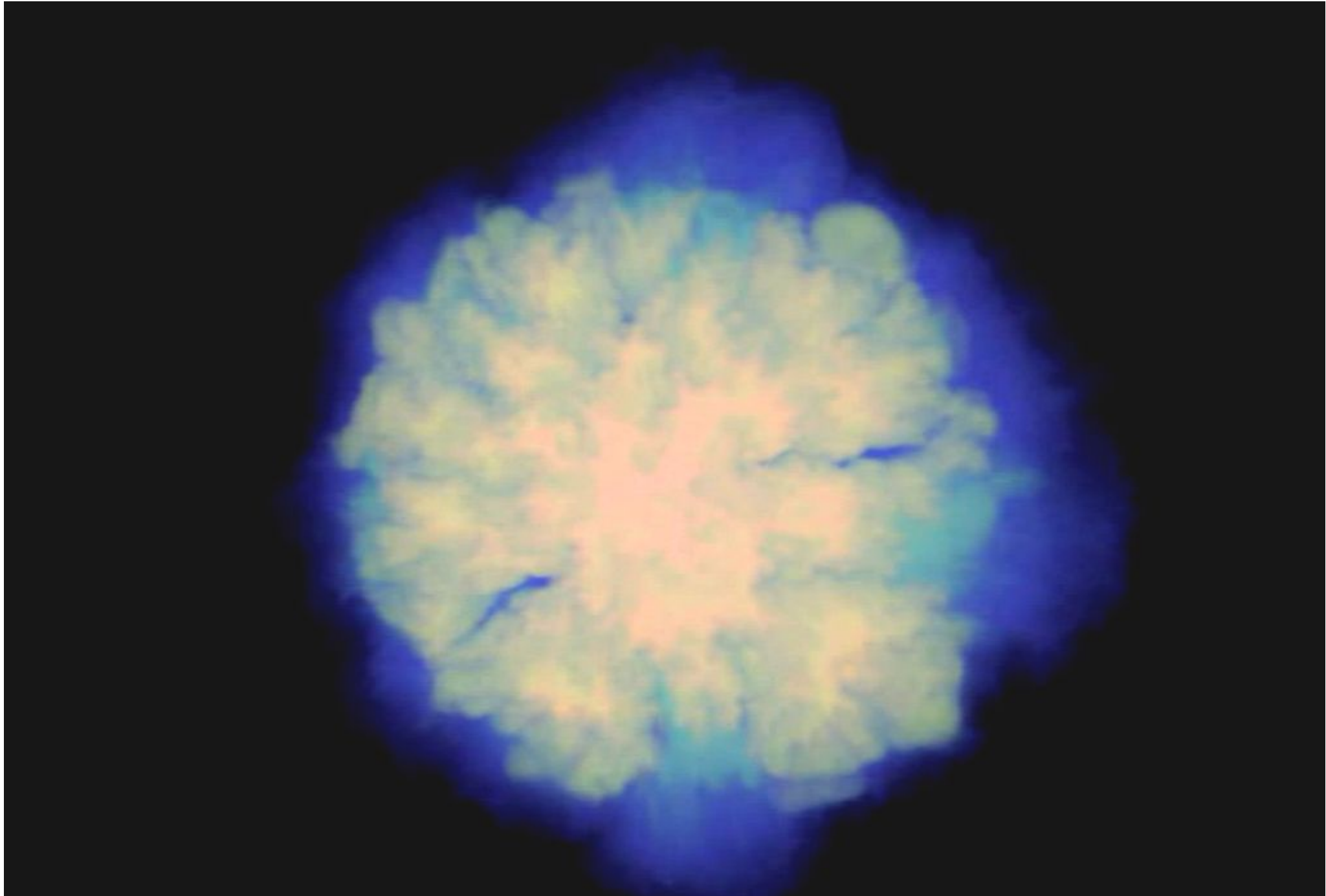












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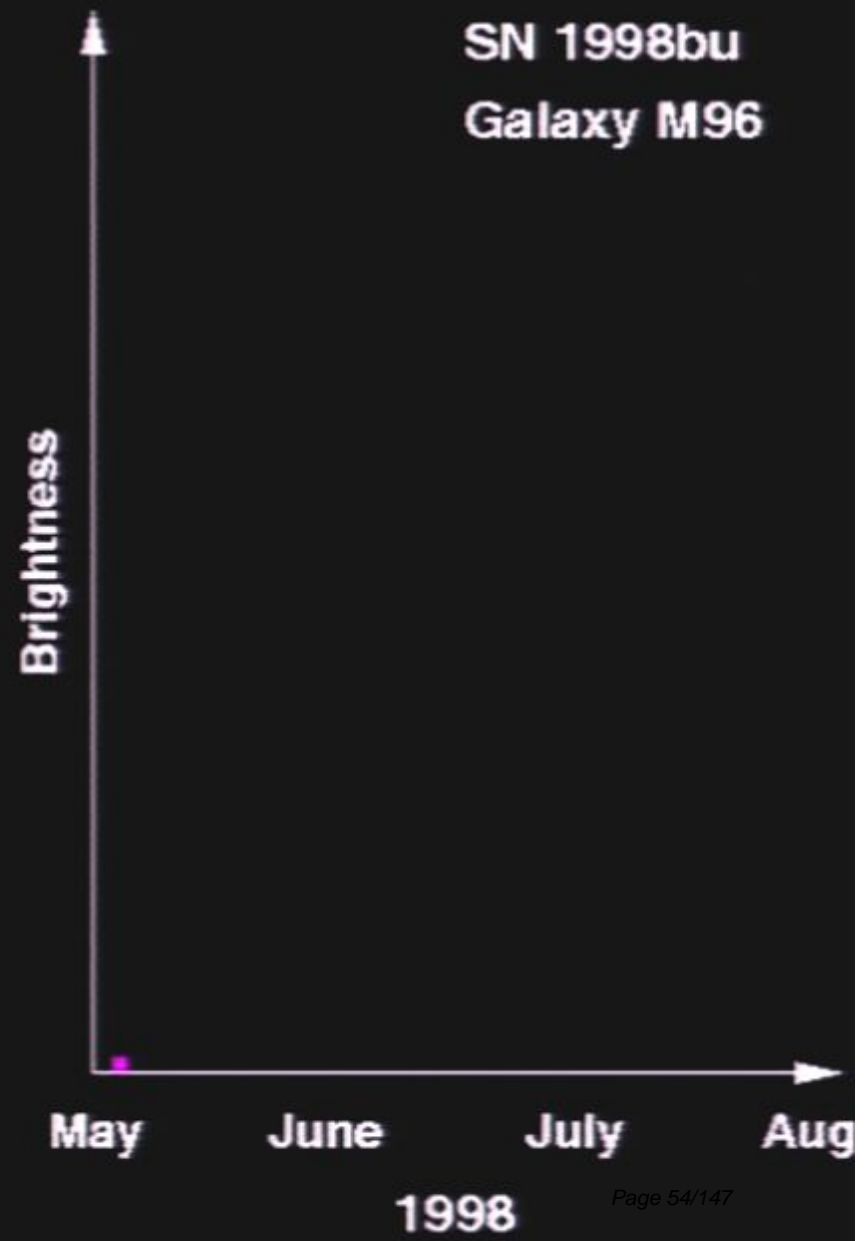
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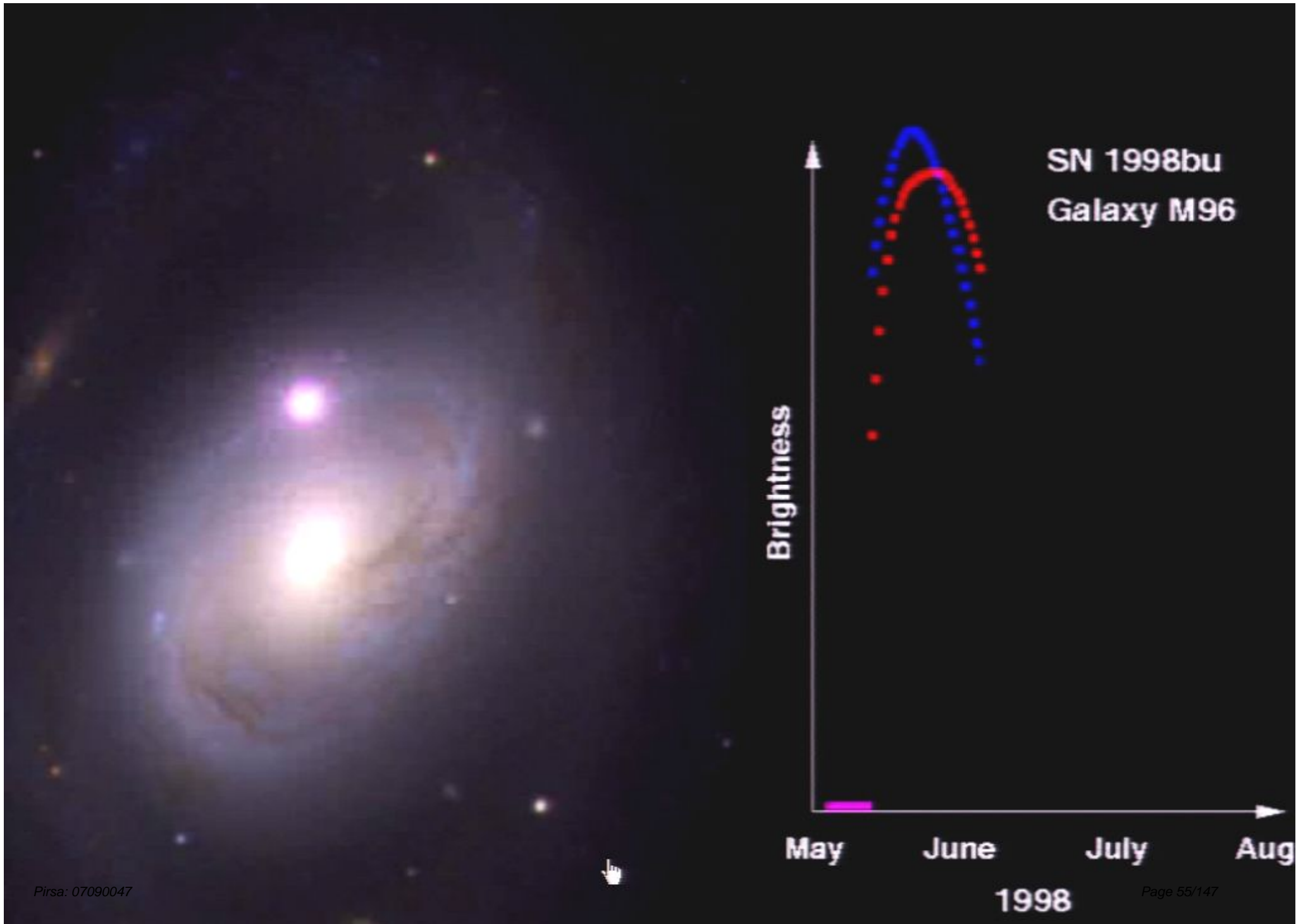
## Radiation hydrodynamics

- **how do the photons escape the supernova**
- **the observational fun starts here**
- **(and the explosion calculations stop)**



SN 1998bu  
Galaxy M96



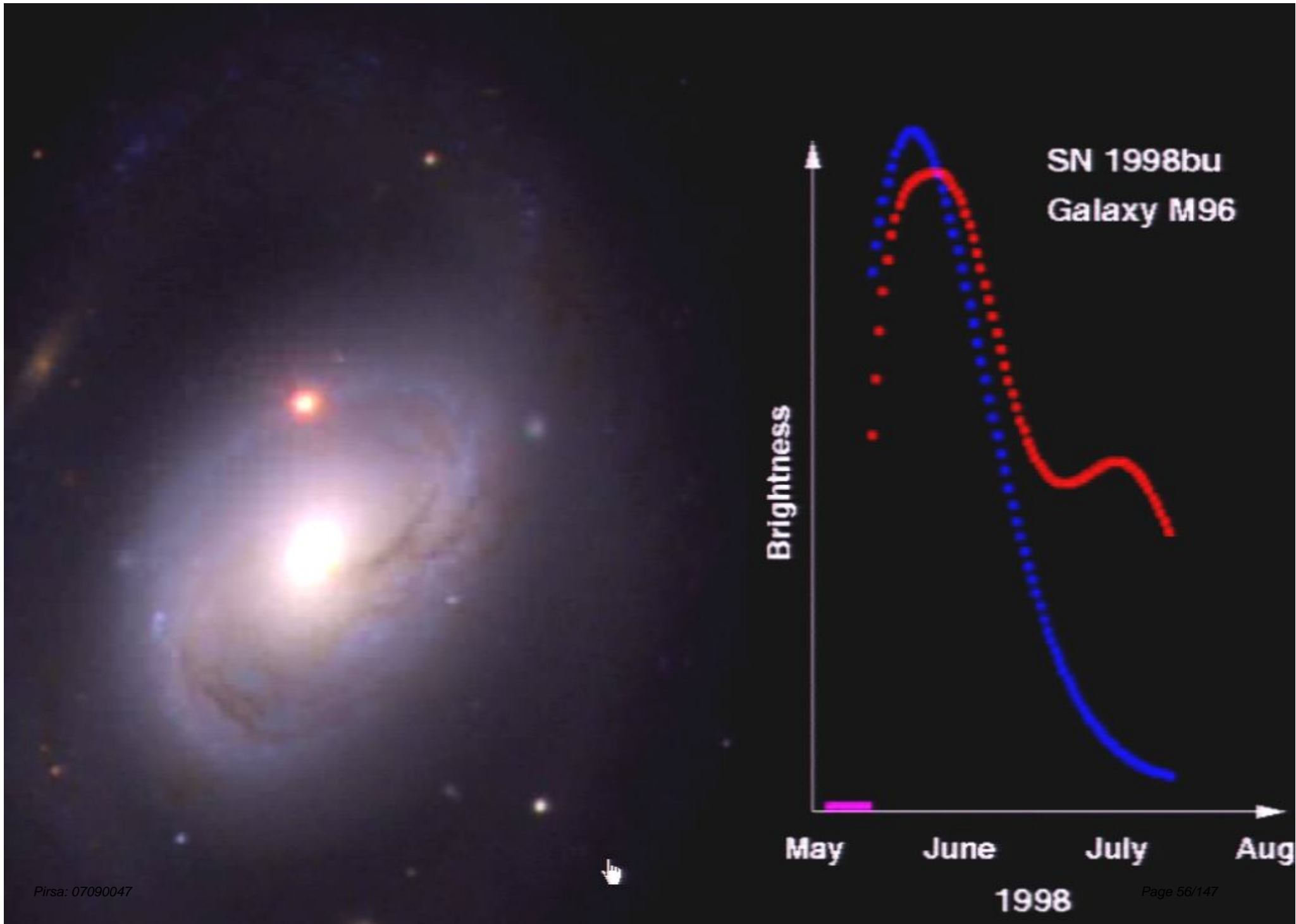


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Brightness

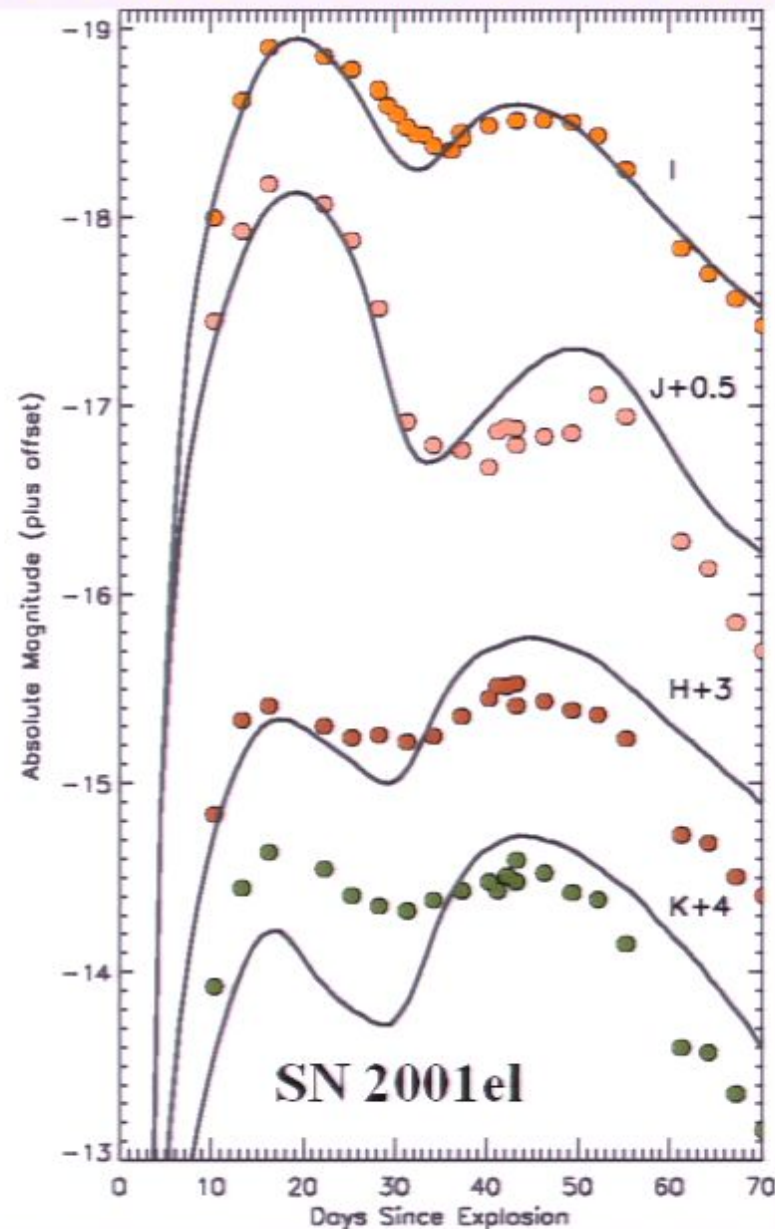
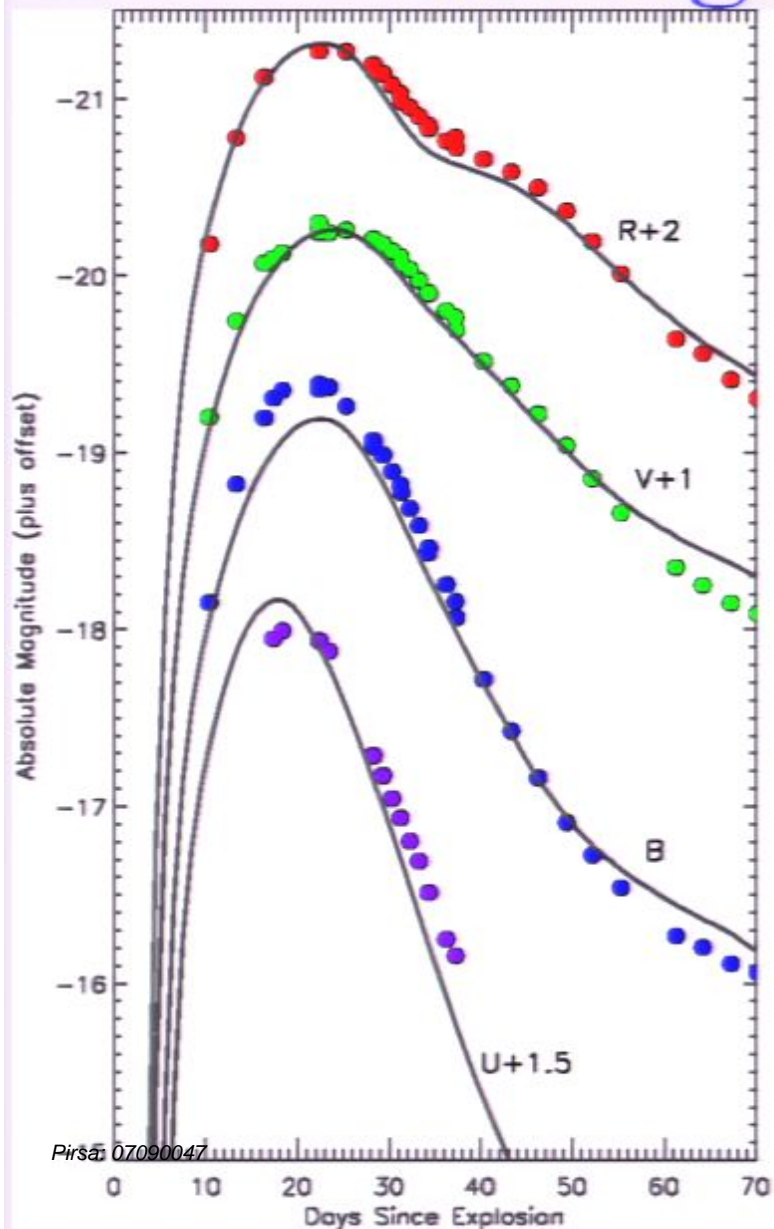
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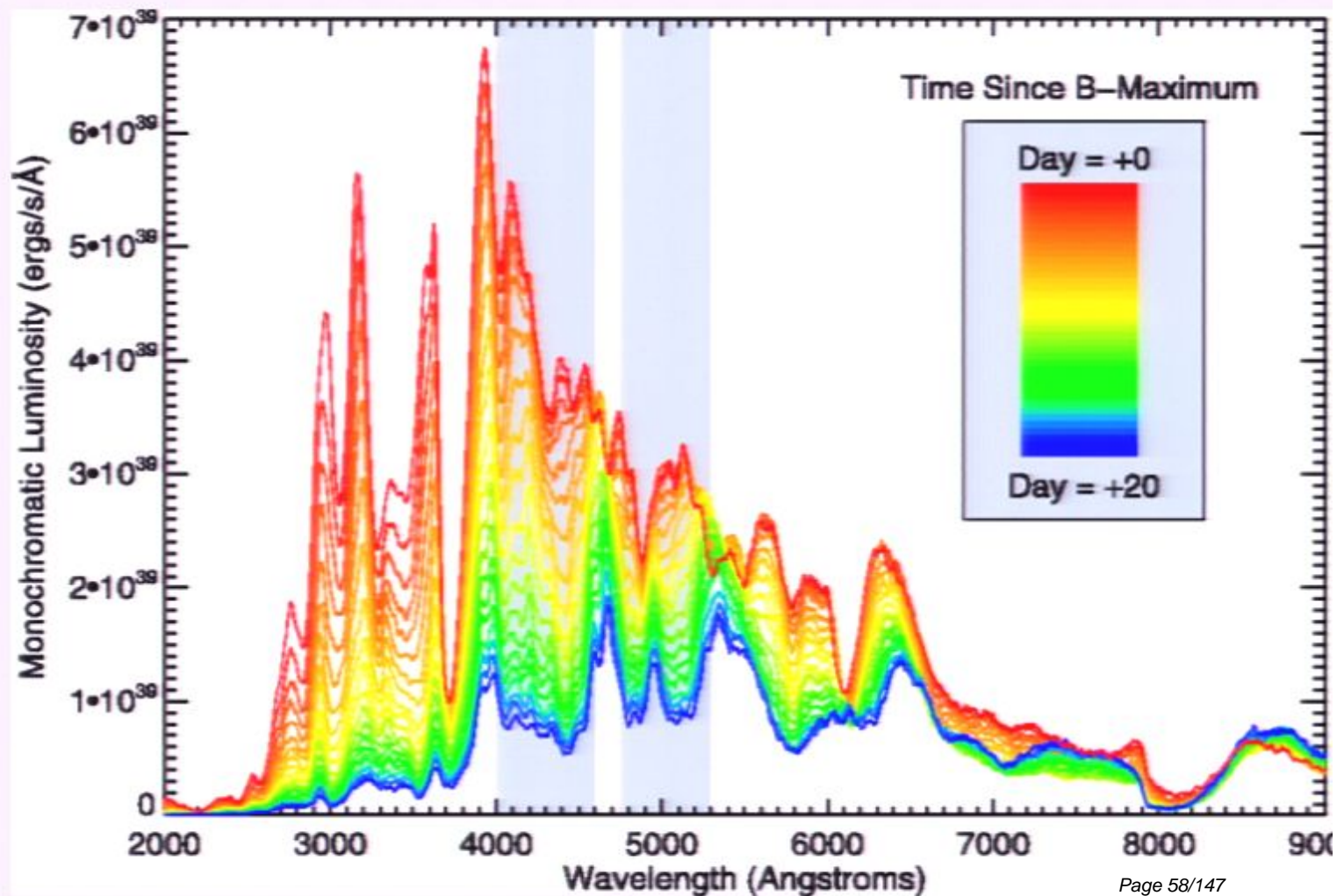




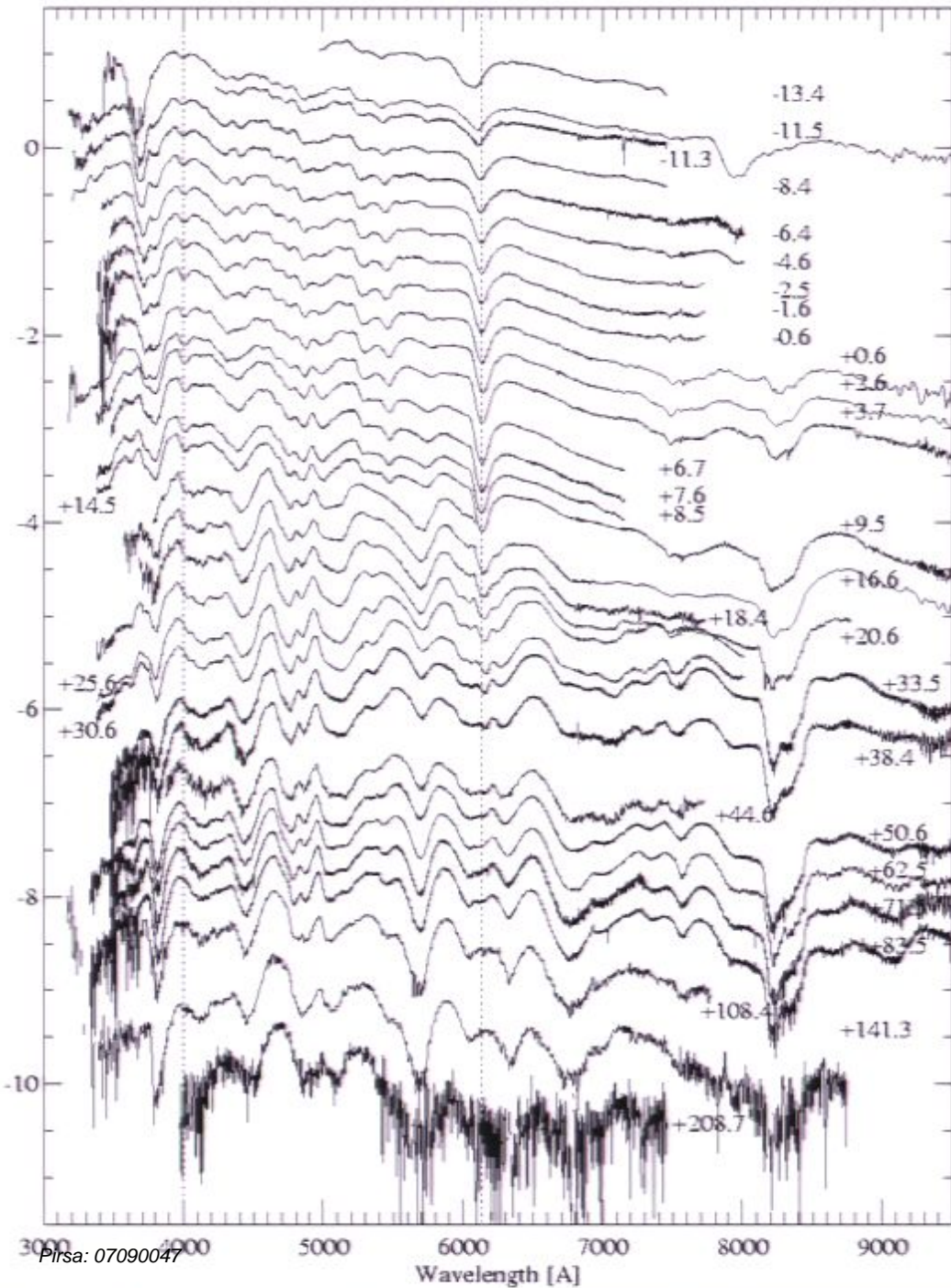
# SN light curve calculations



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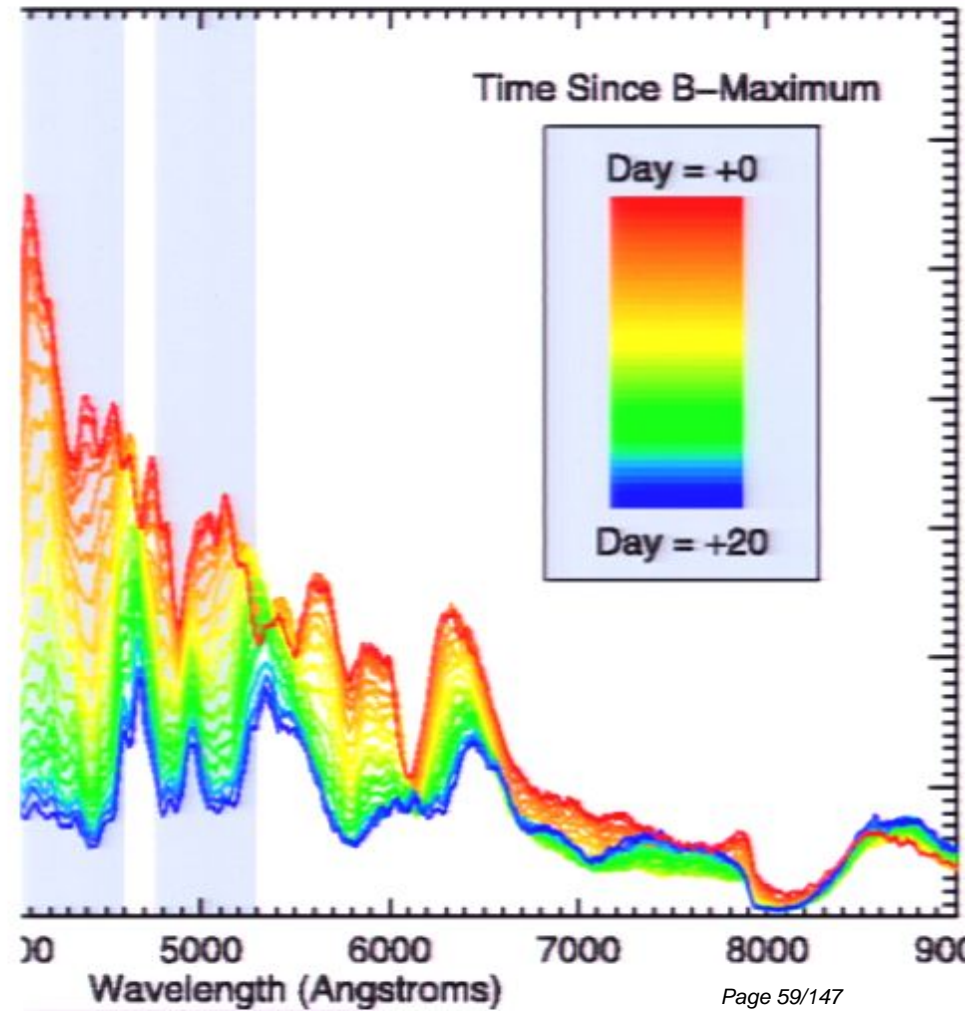


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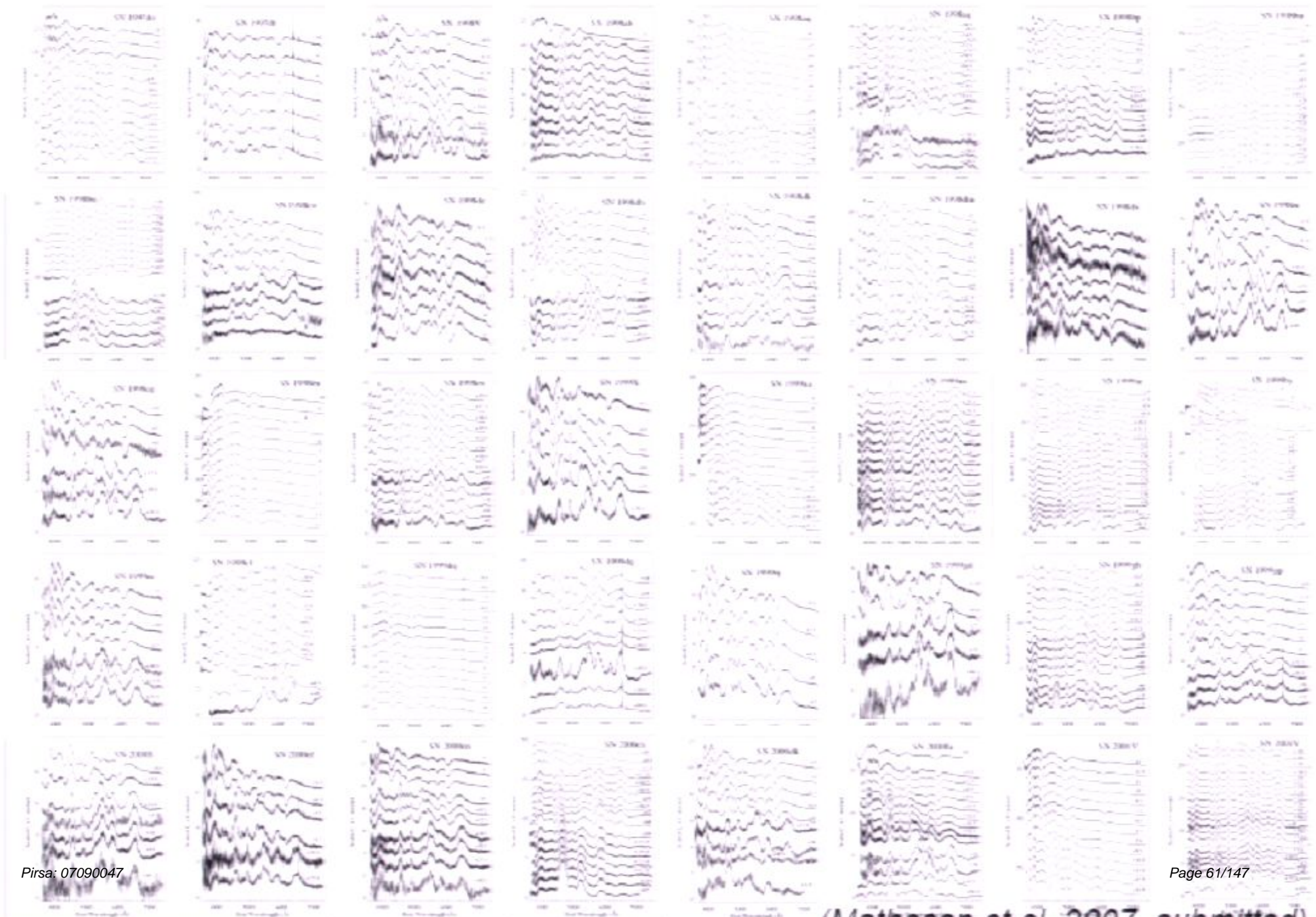


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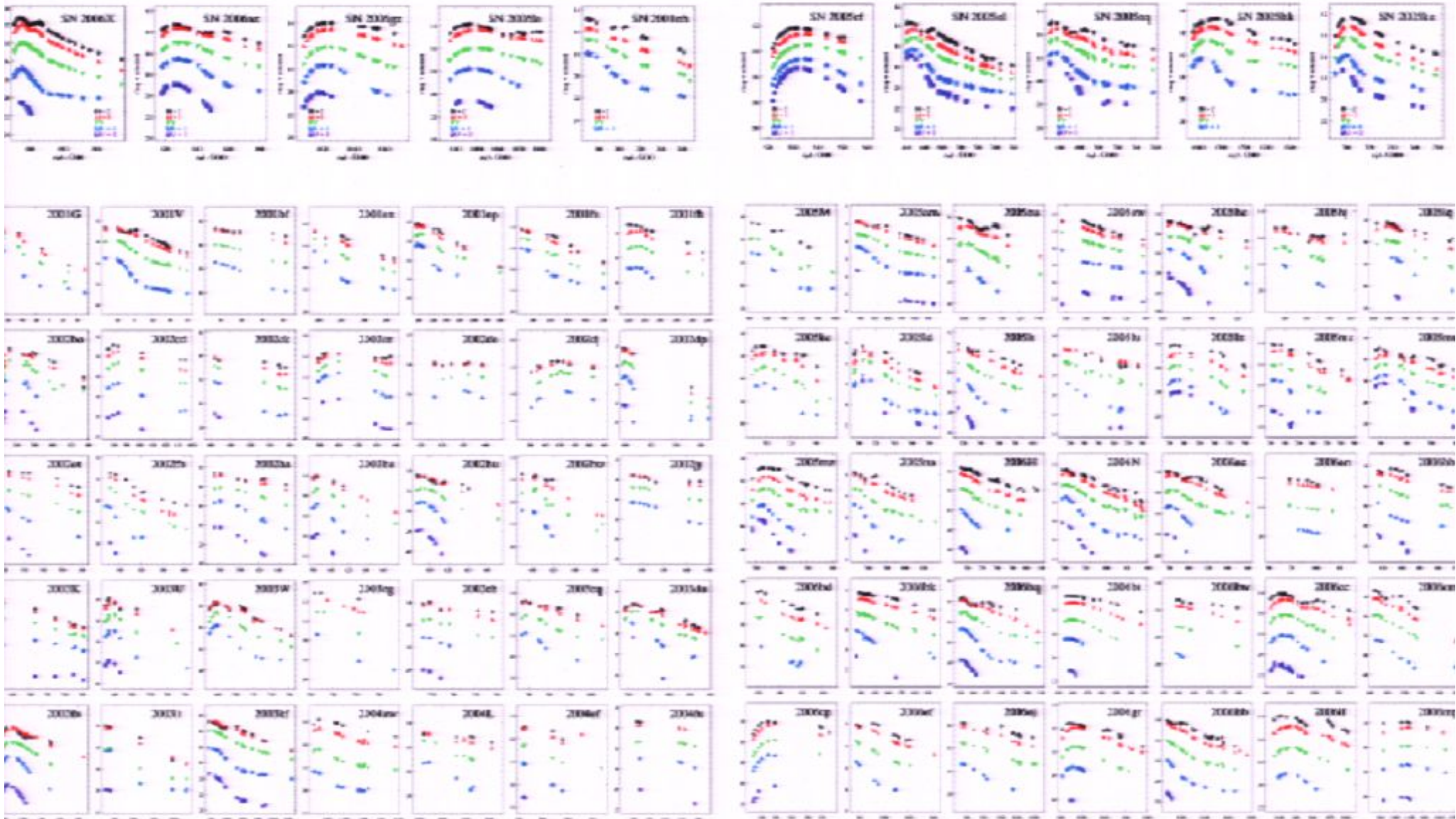


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80 SN Ia light curves (Malcolm Hicken)

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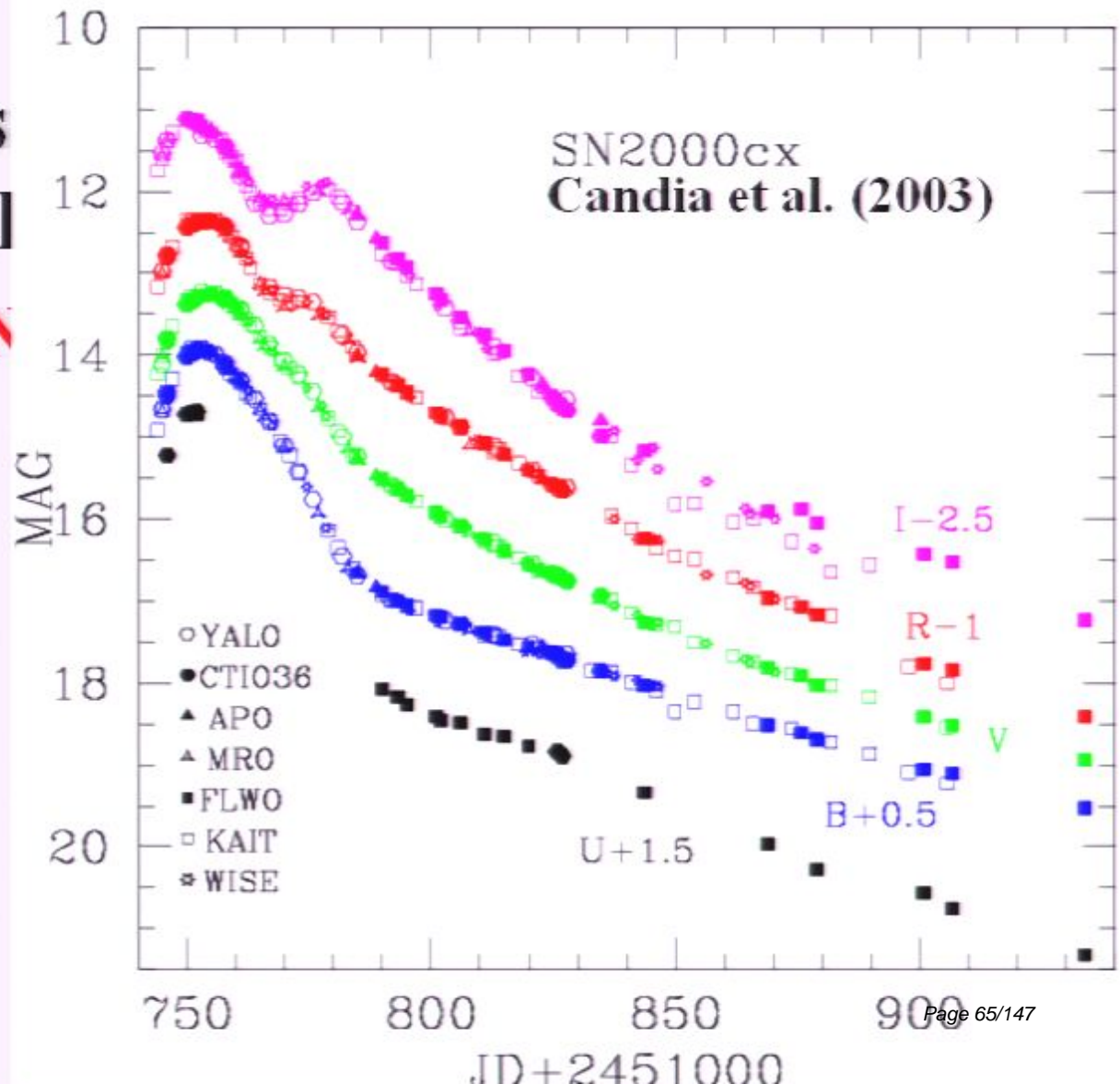
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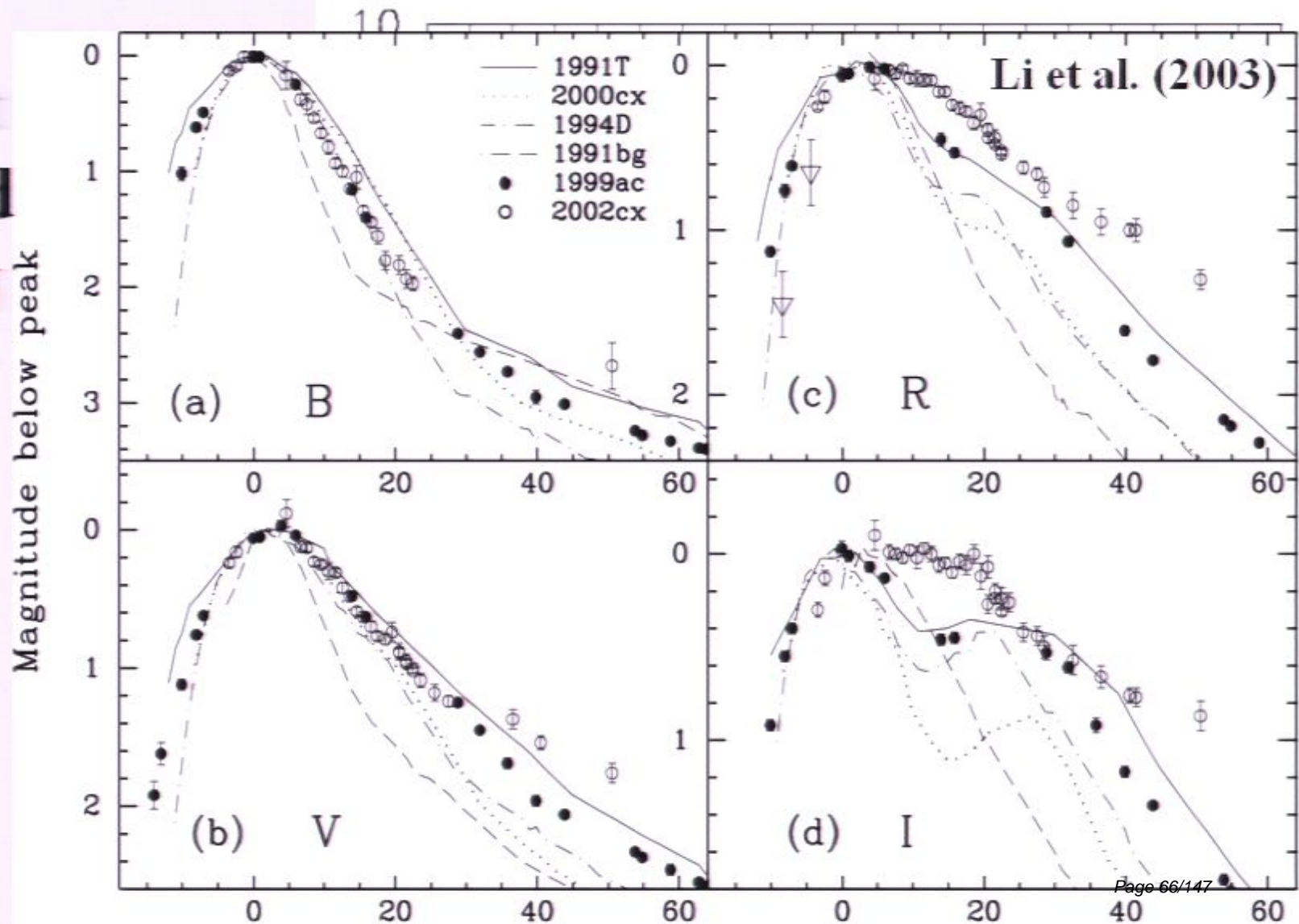
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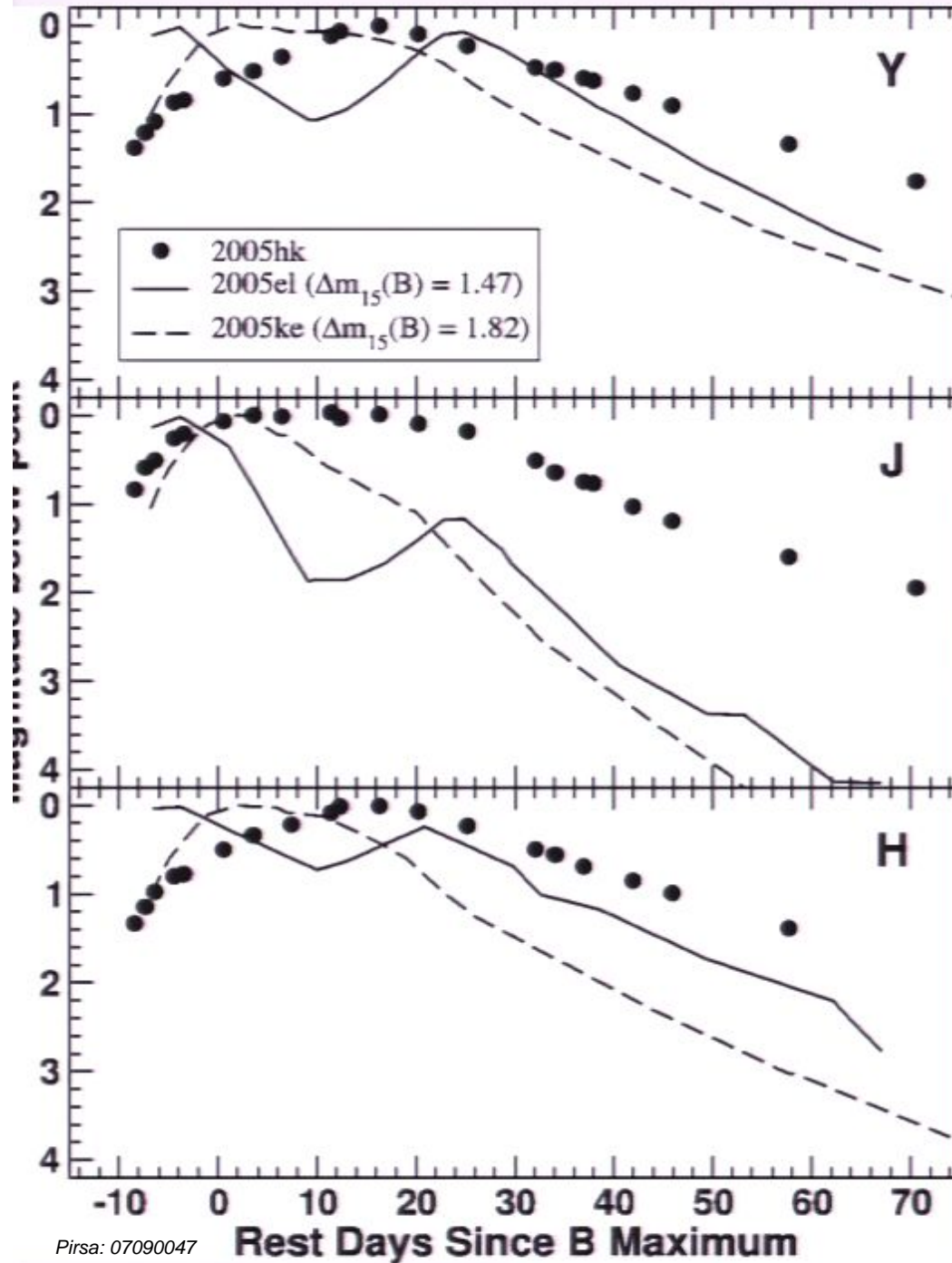
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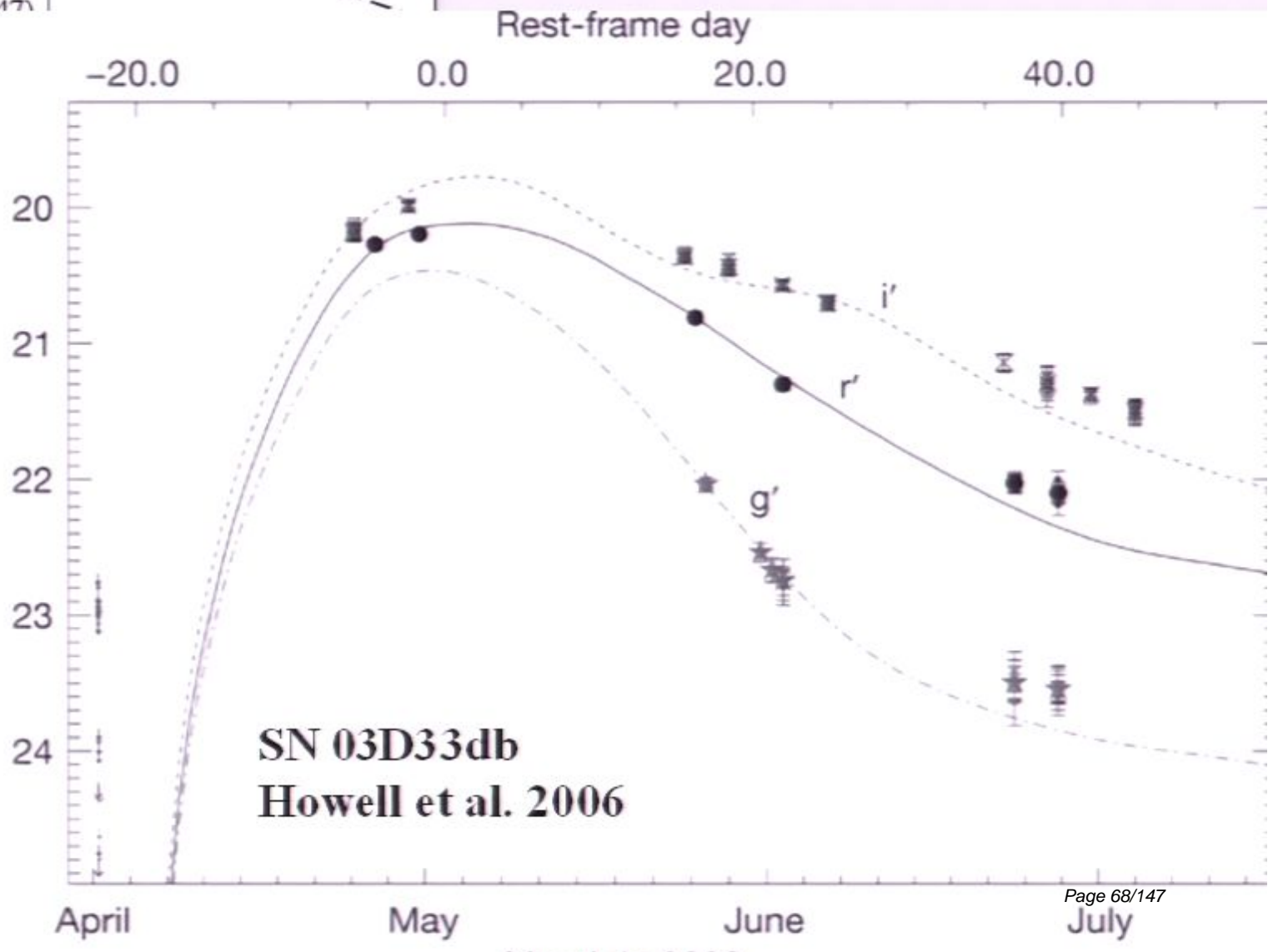
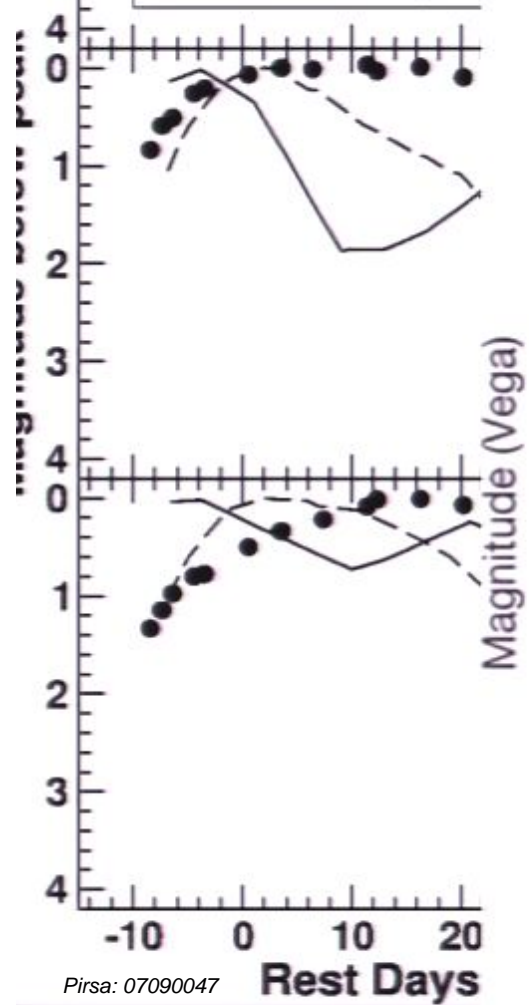
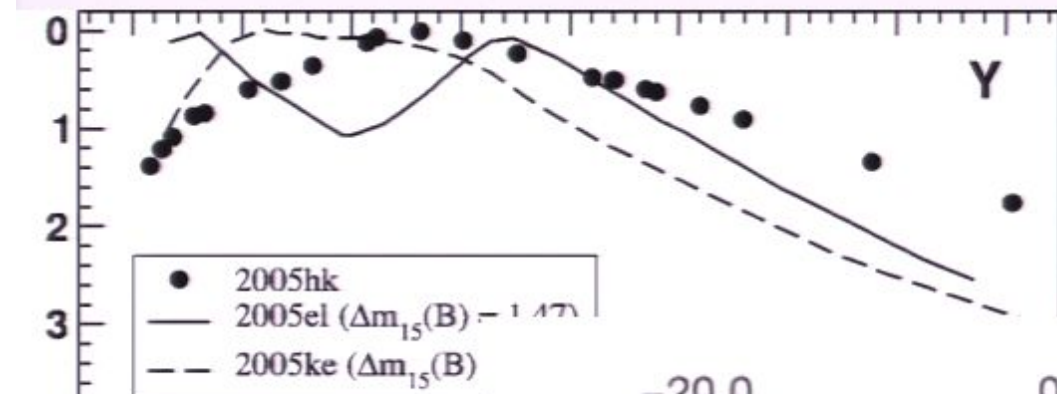
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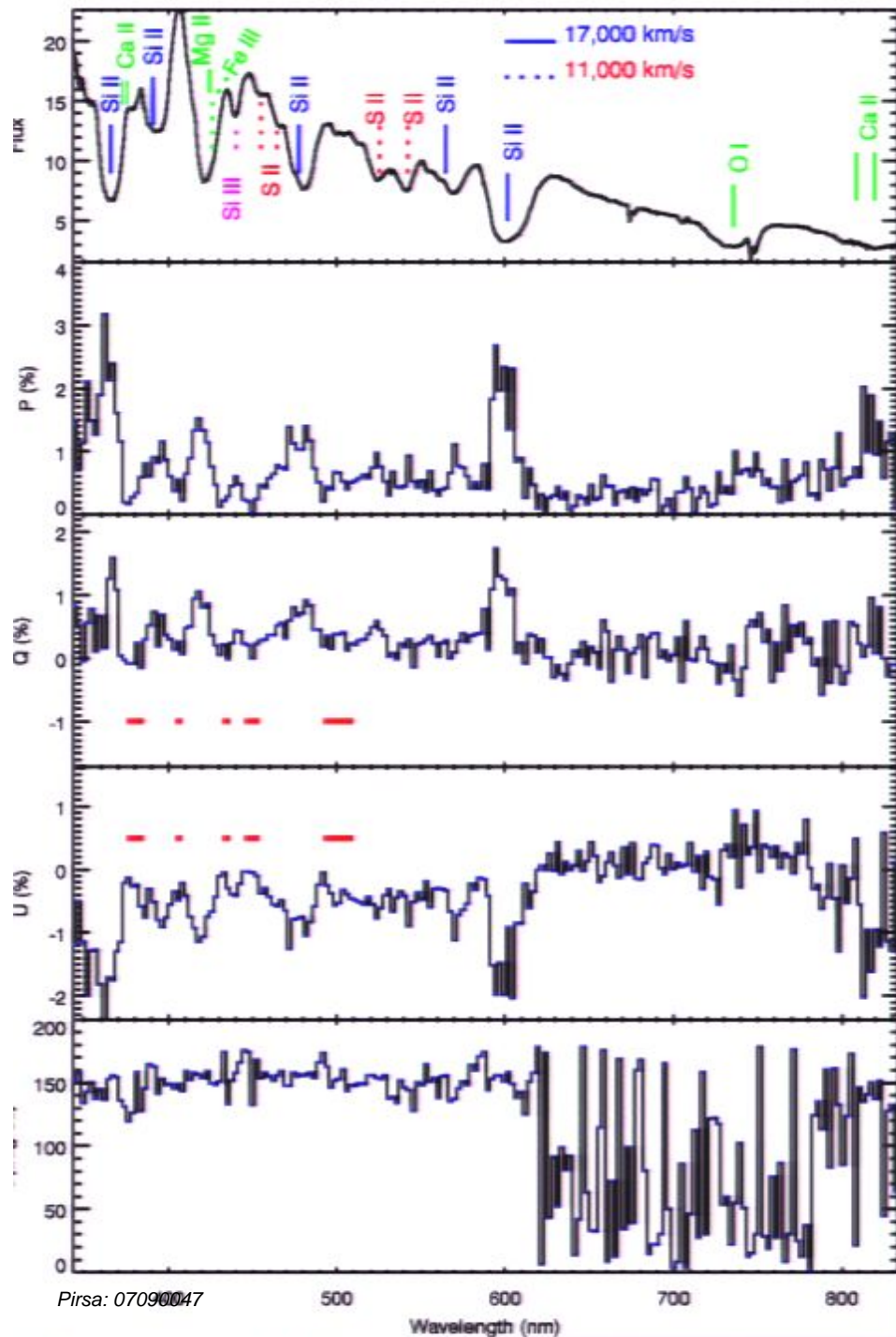
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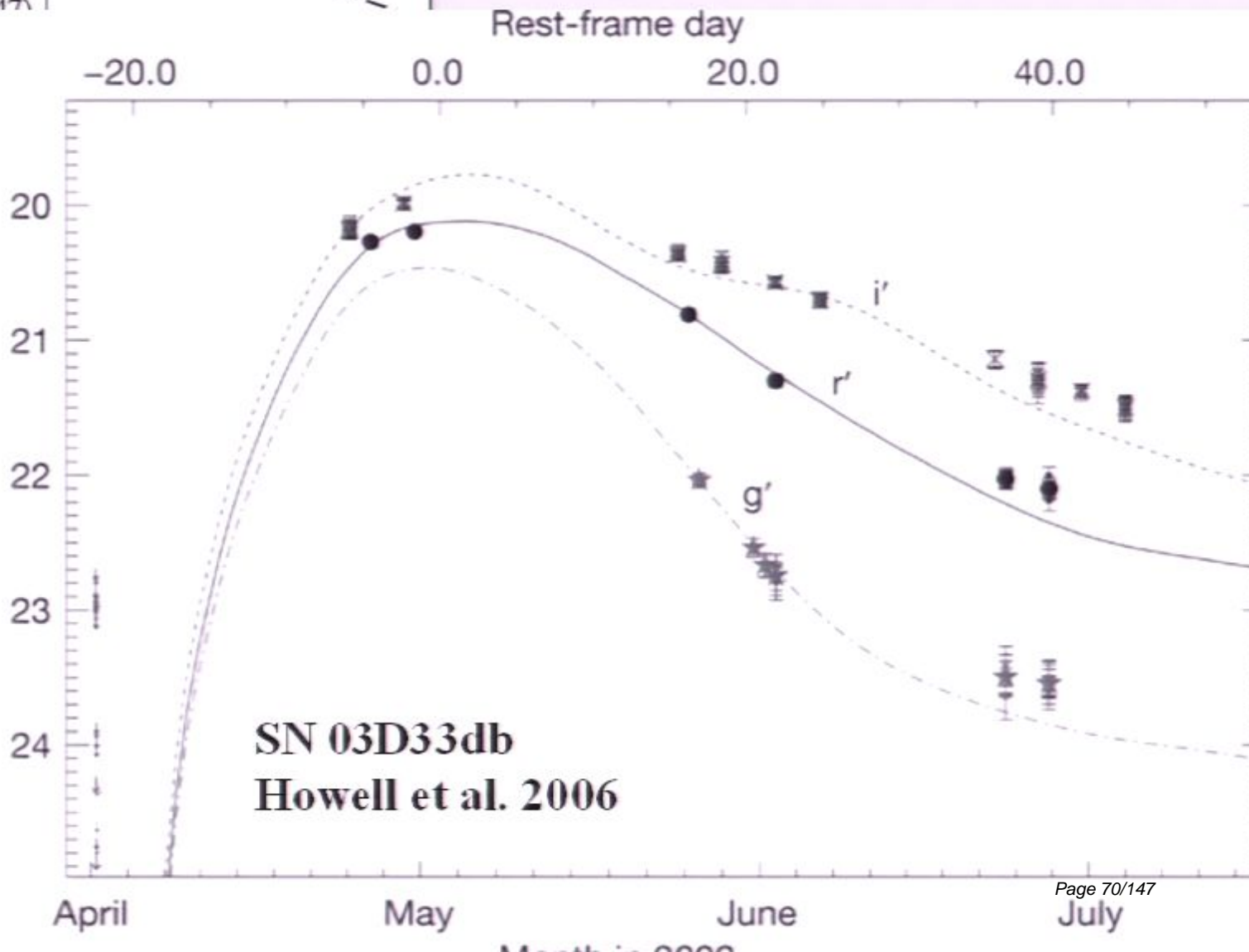
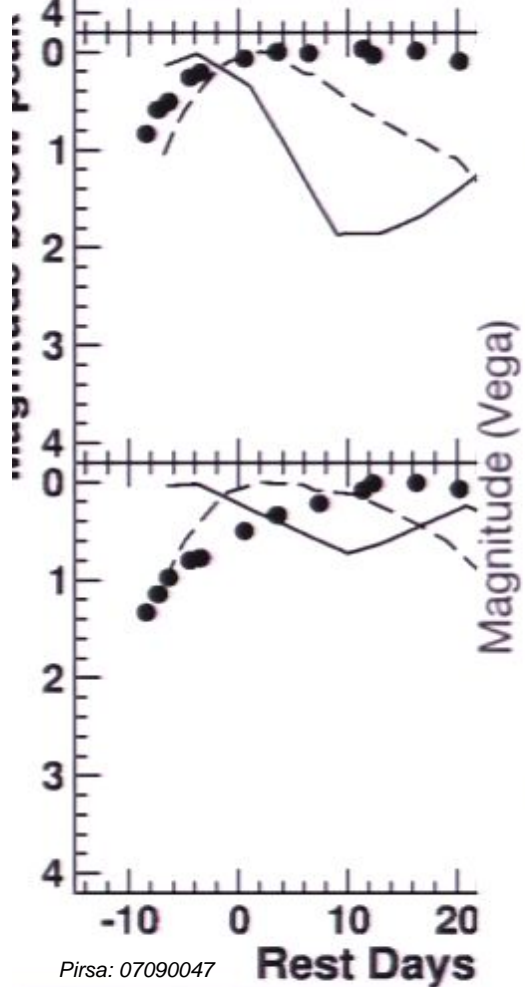
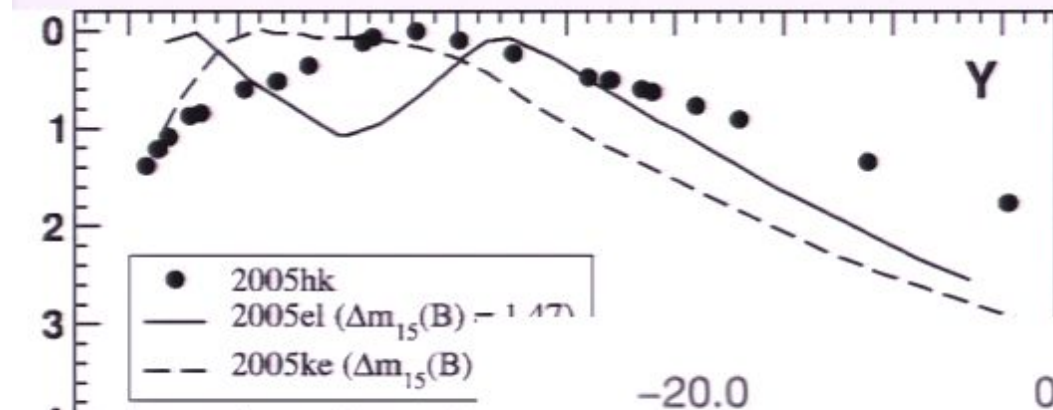
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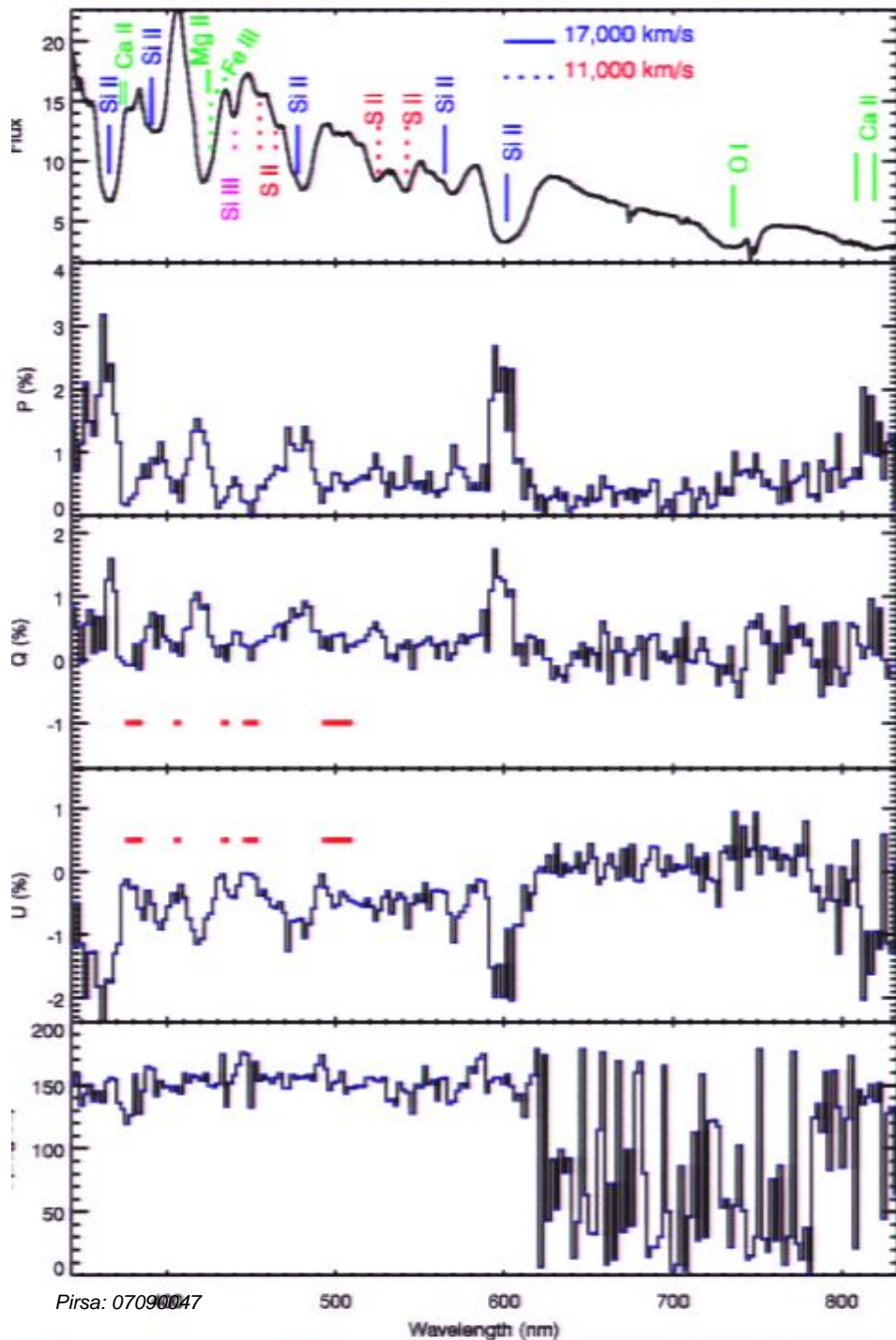
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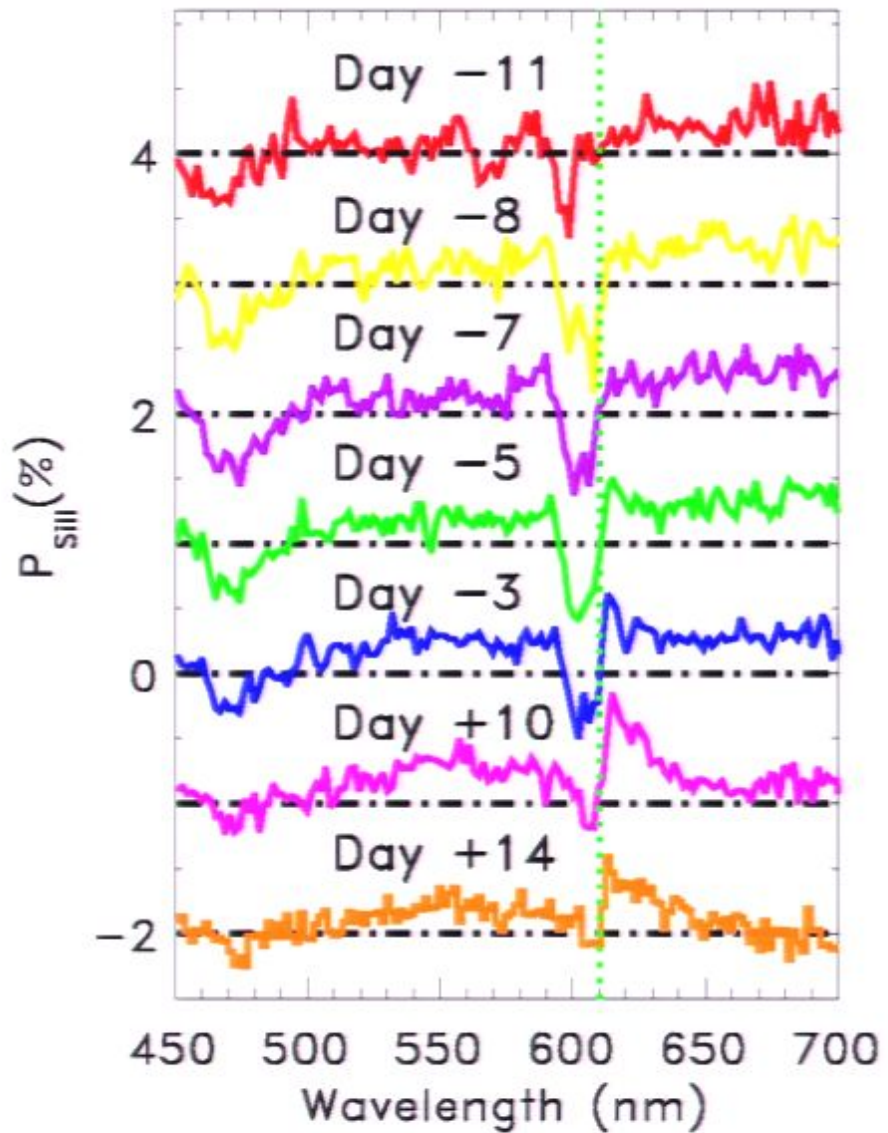
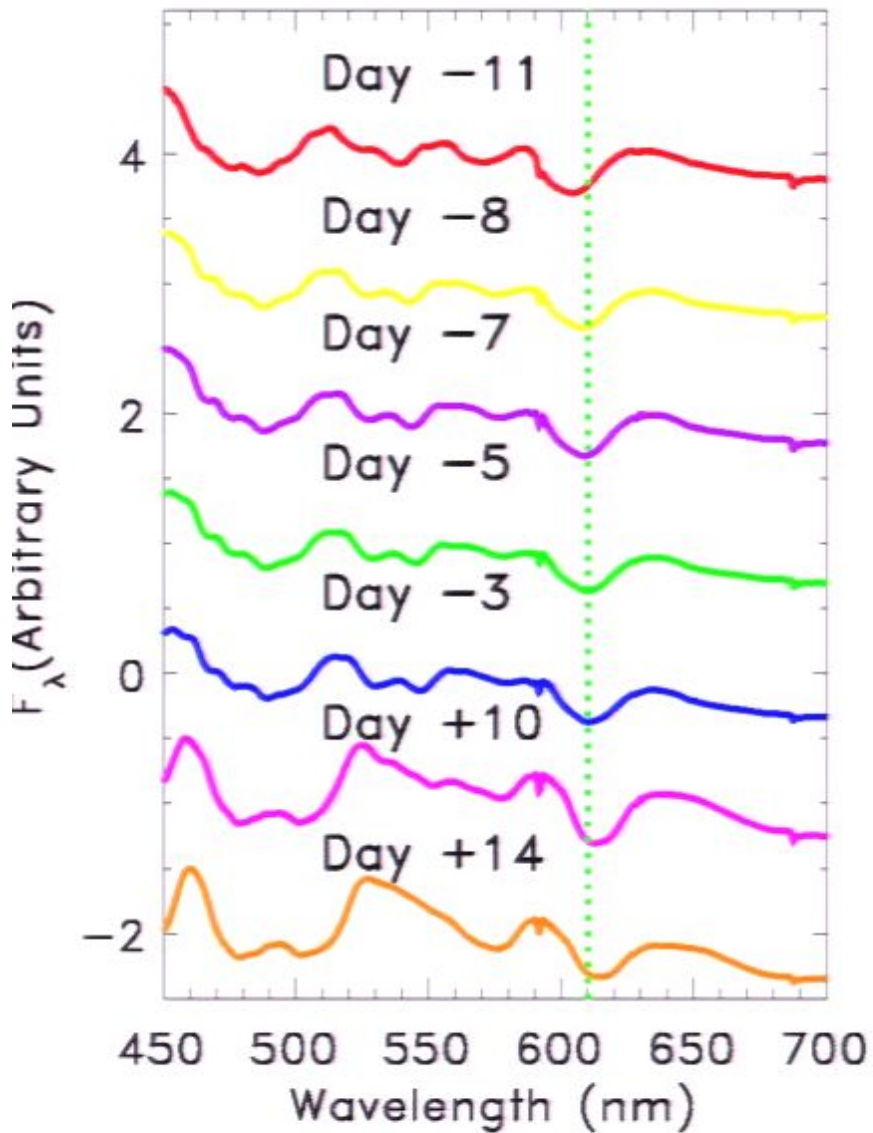
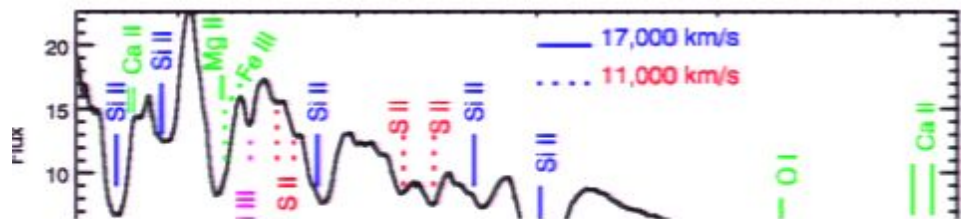
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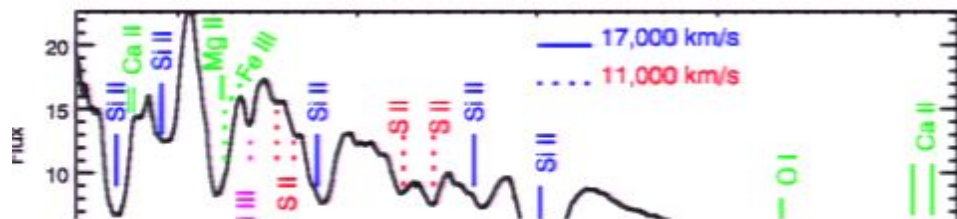
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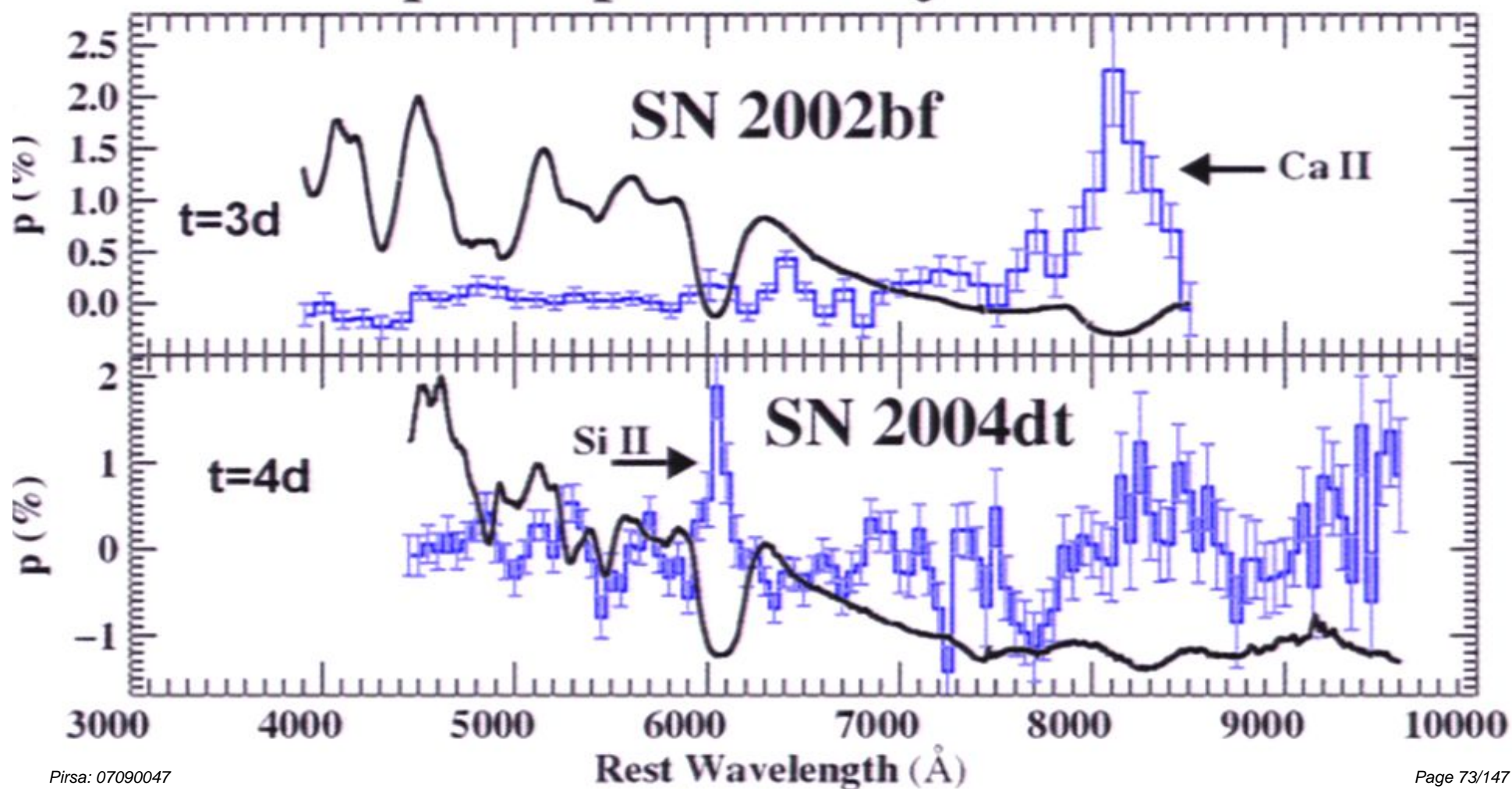






# Polarimetry

## Spectropolarimetry of SNe Ia



# Polarimetry results

**Very small continuum polarisation**

→ **overall shape appears fairly round**

**Partially strong line polarisation**

→ **distribution of individual elements could be clumped**

→ **inhomogeneous explosion mechanism?**

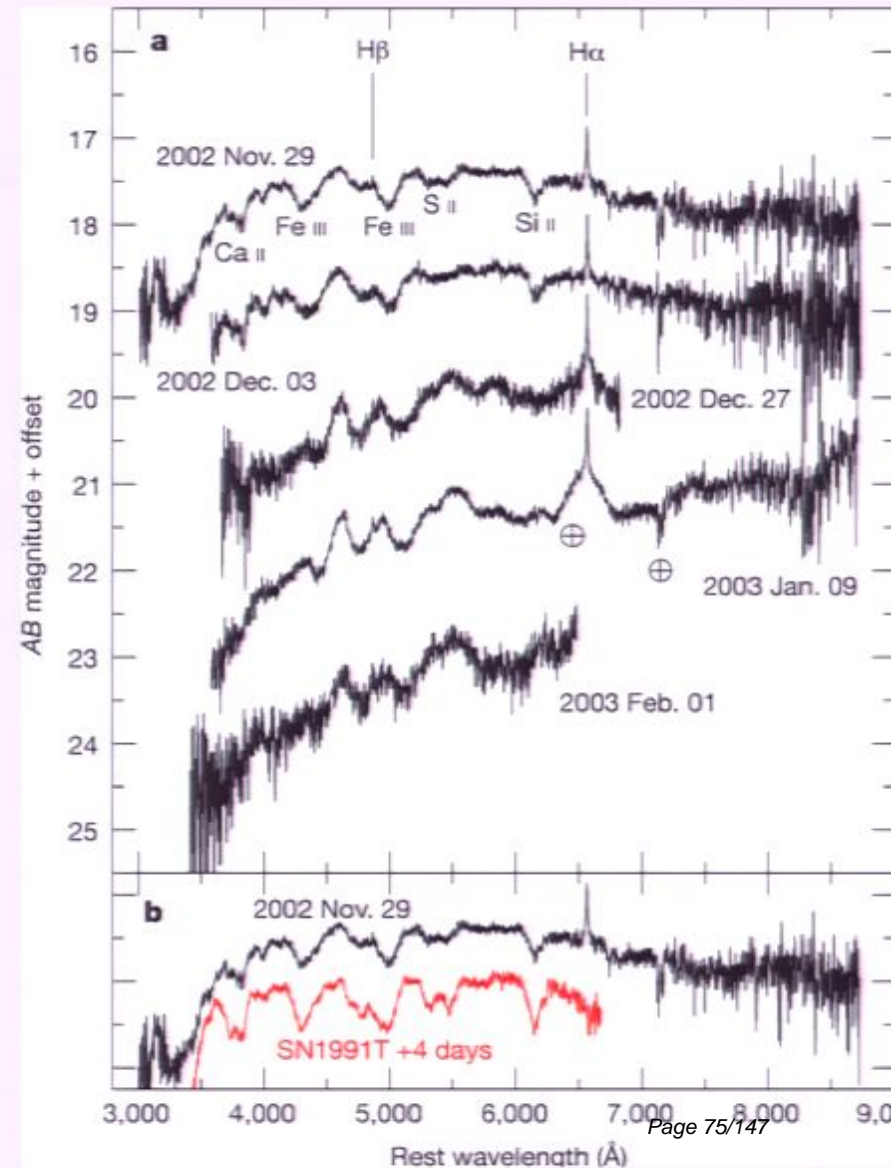
→ **dependence on viewing angle?**

**Possible correlation with light curve shape parameter (Wang et al. 2007)**

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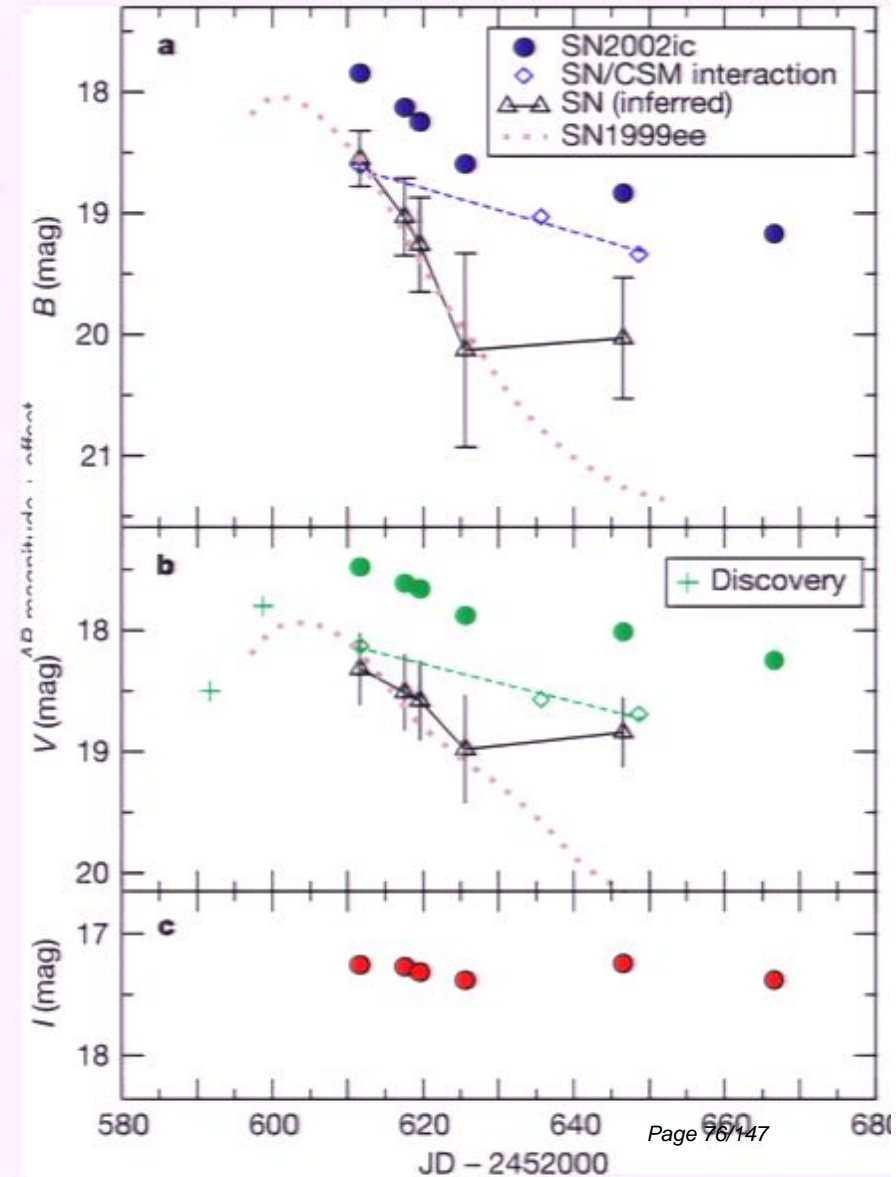
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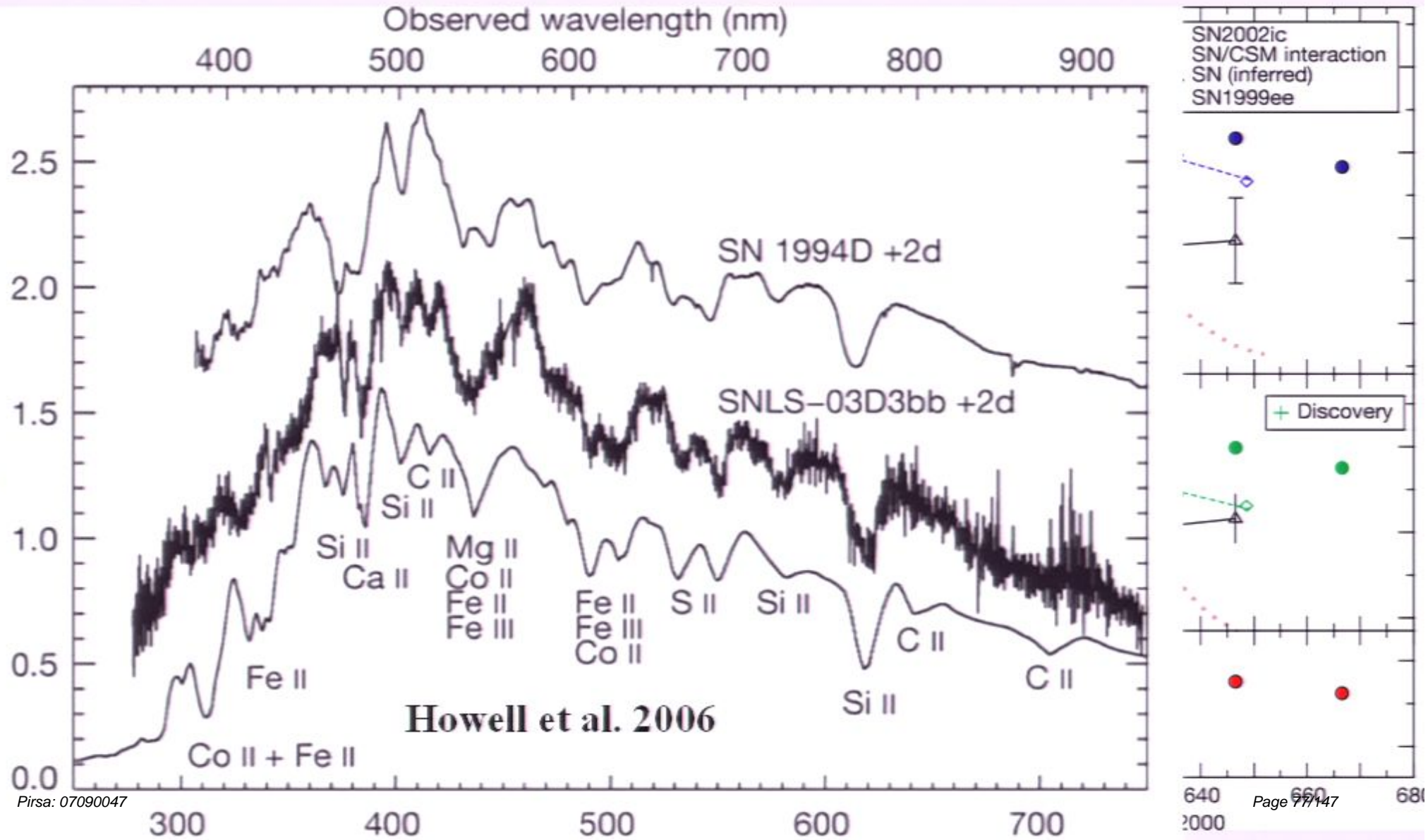
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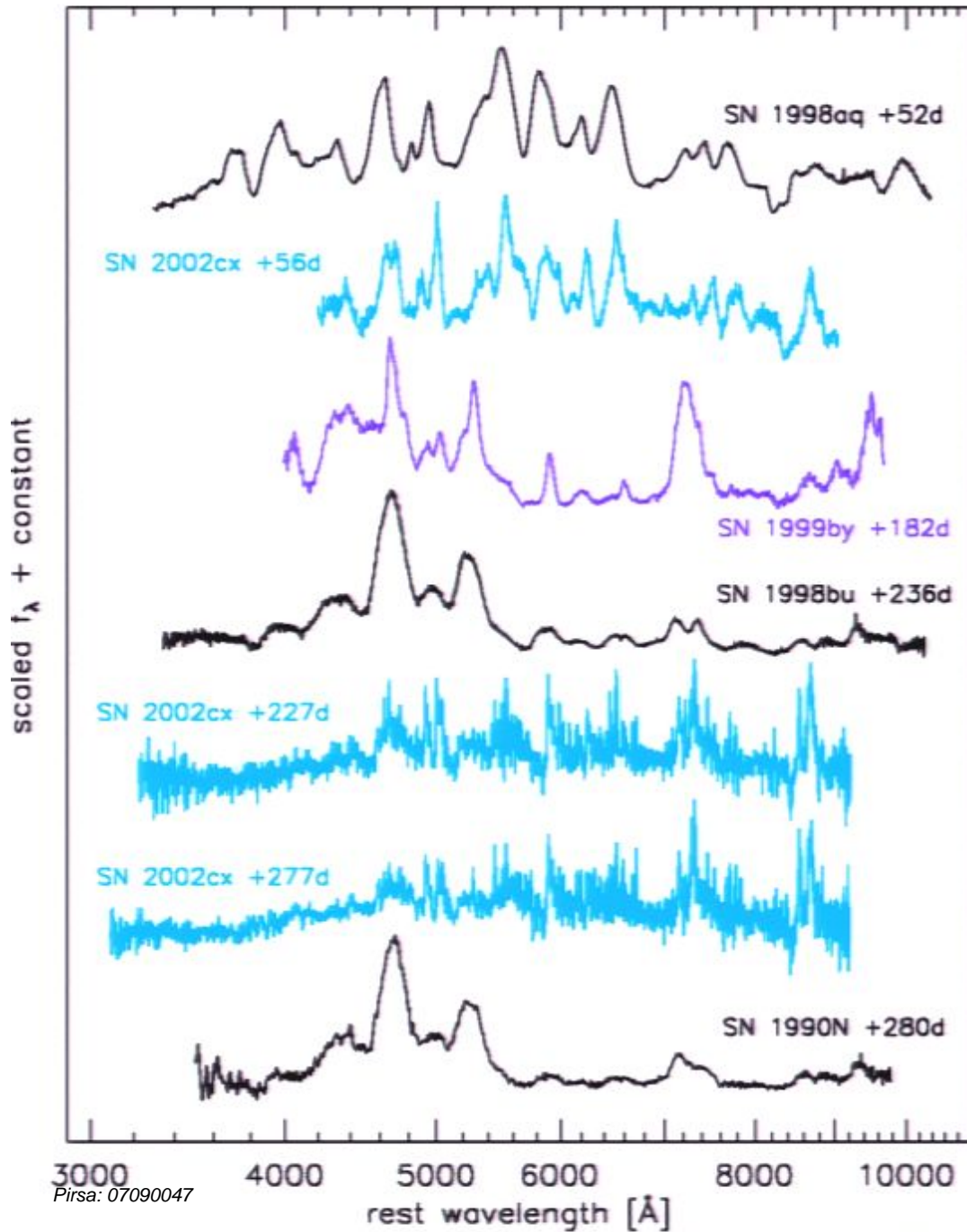
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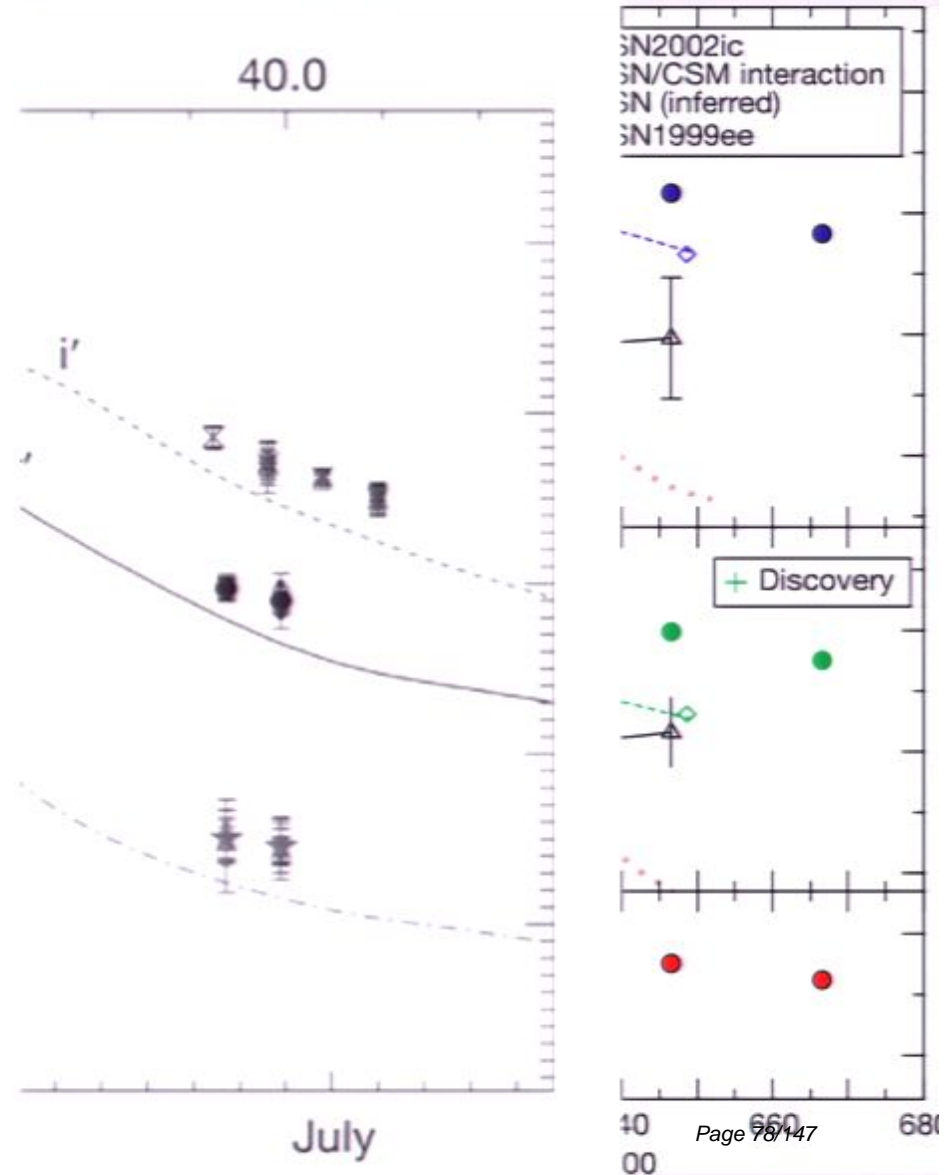


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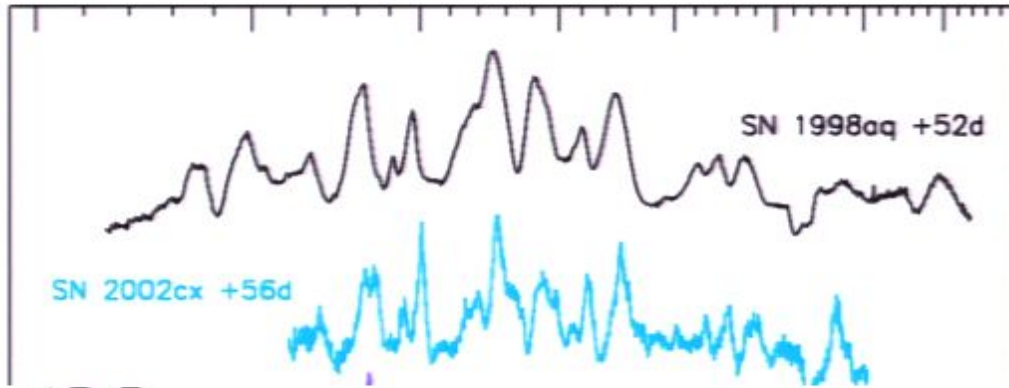
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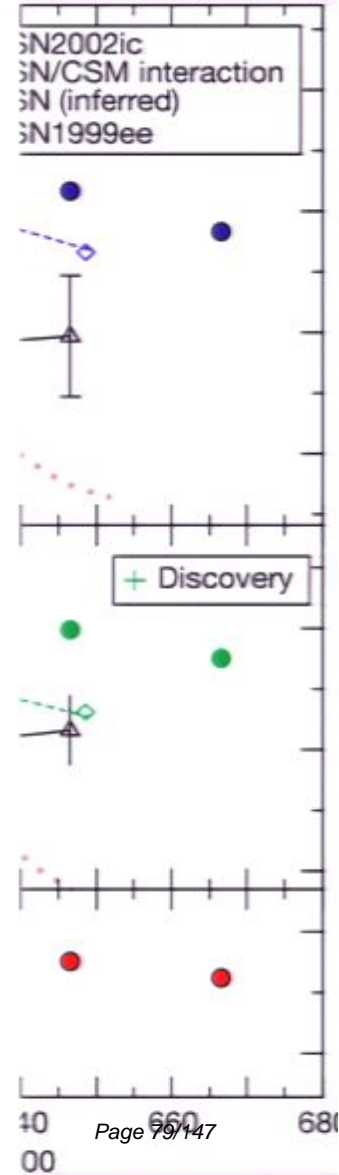
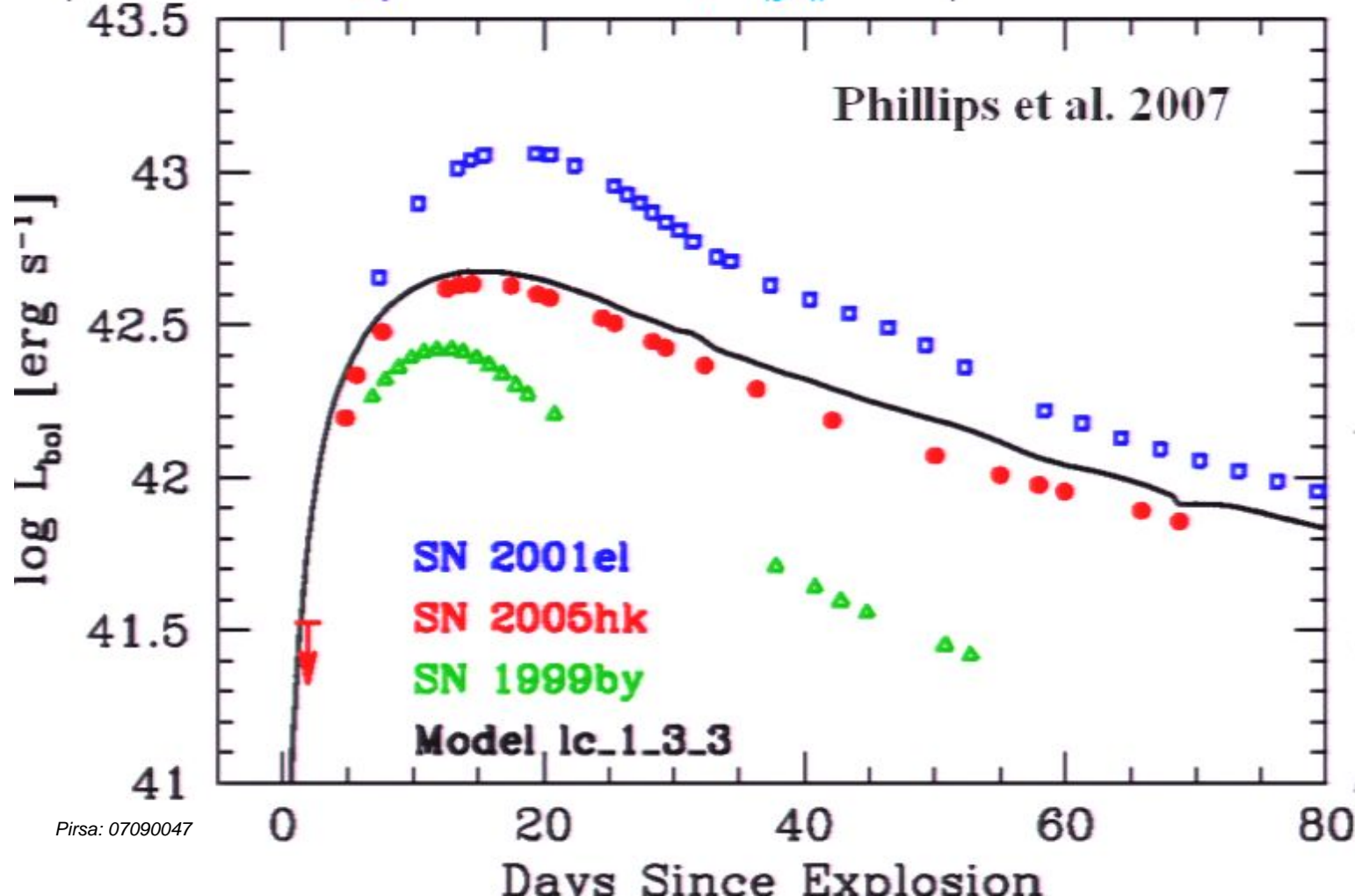


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# What is a SN Ia?



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# Global explosion parameters

Determine the nickel mass in the explosion from the peak luminosity

- **large variations (up to a factor of 10)**

Possibly determine

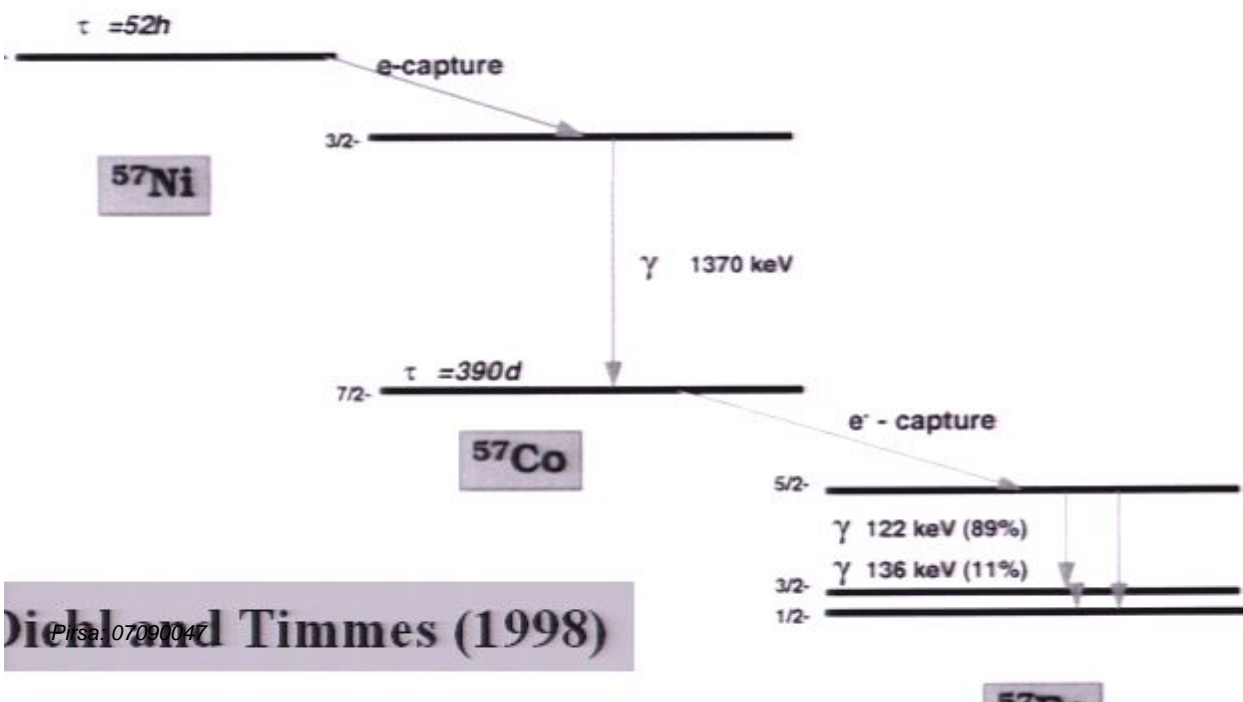
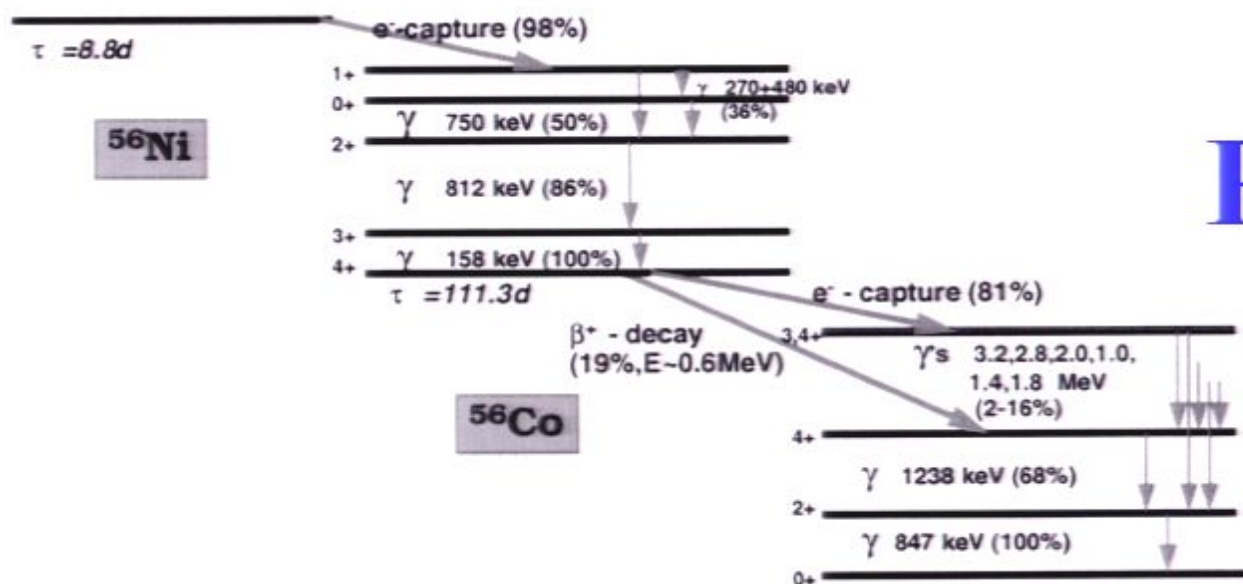
- **total mass of the explosion or**
- **differences distribution of the nickel, i.e. the ashes of the explosion or**
- **differences in the explosion energies**



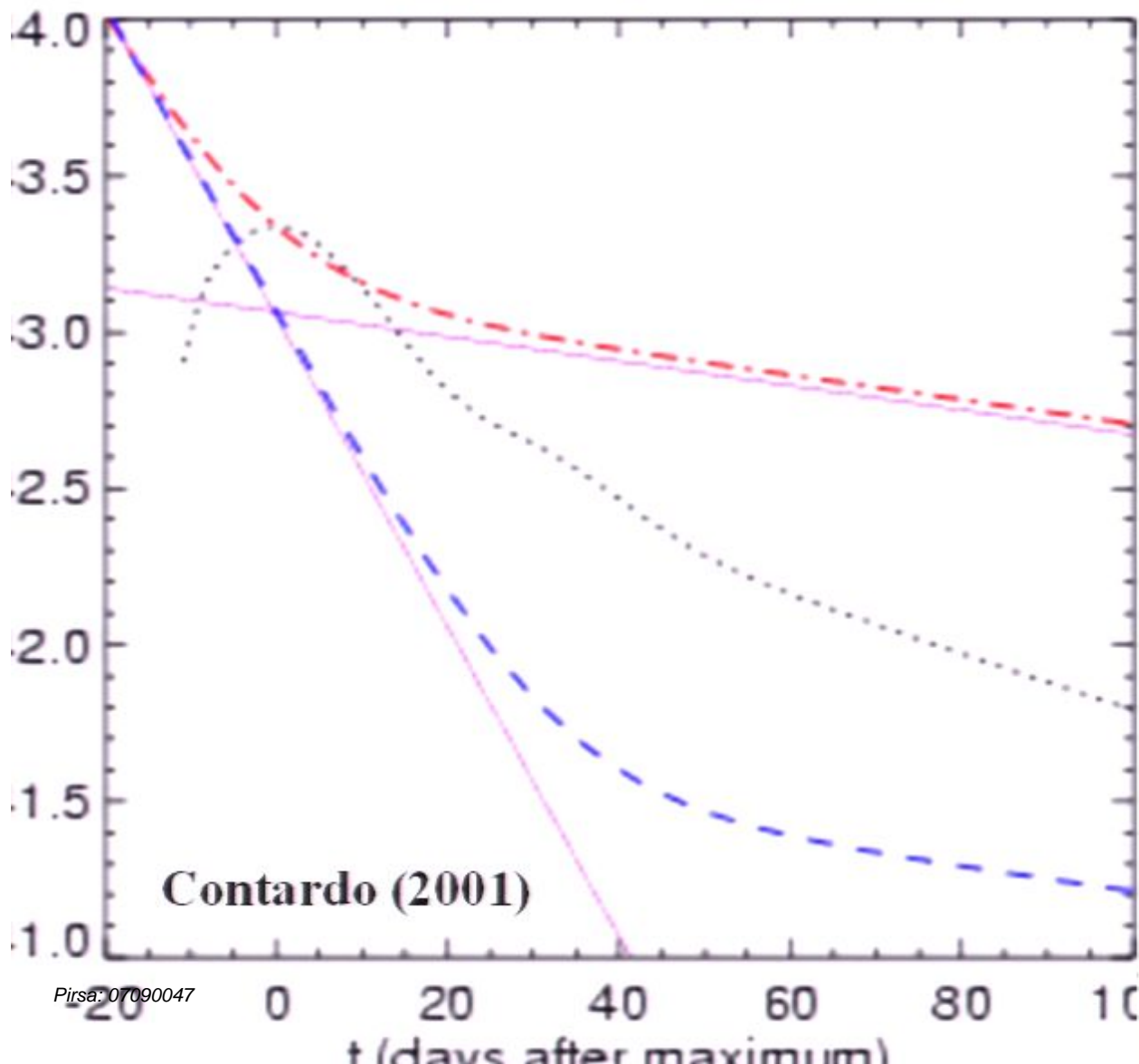
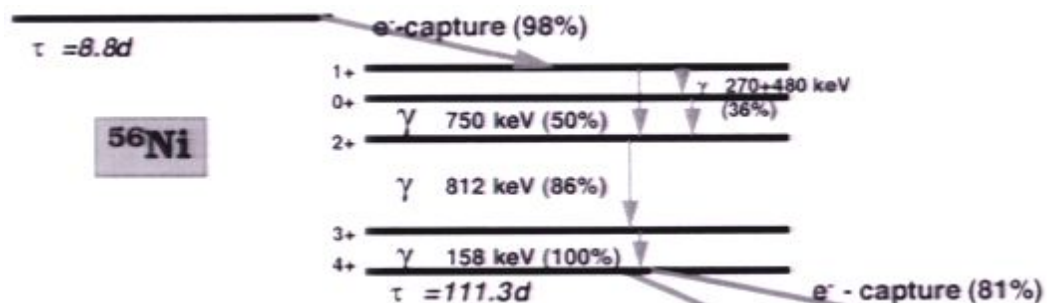
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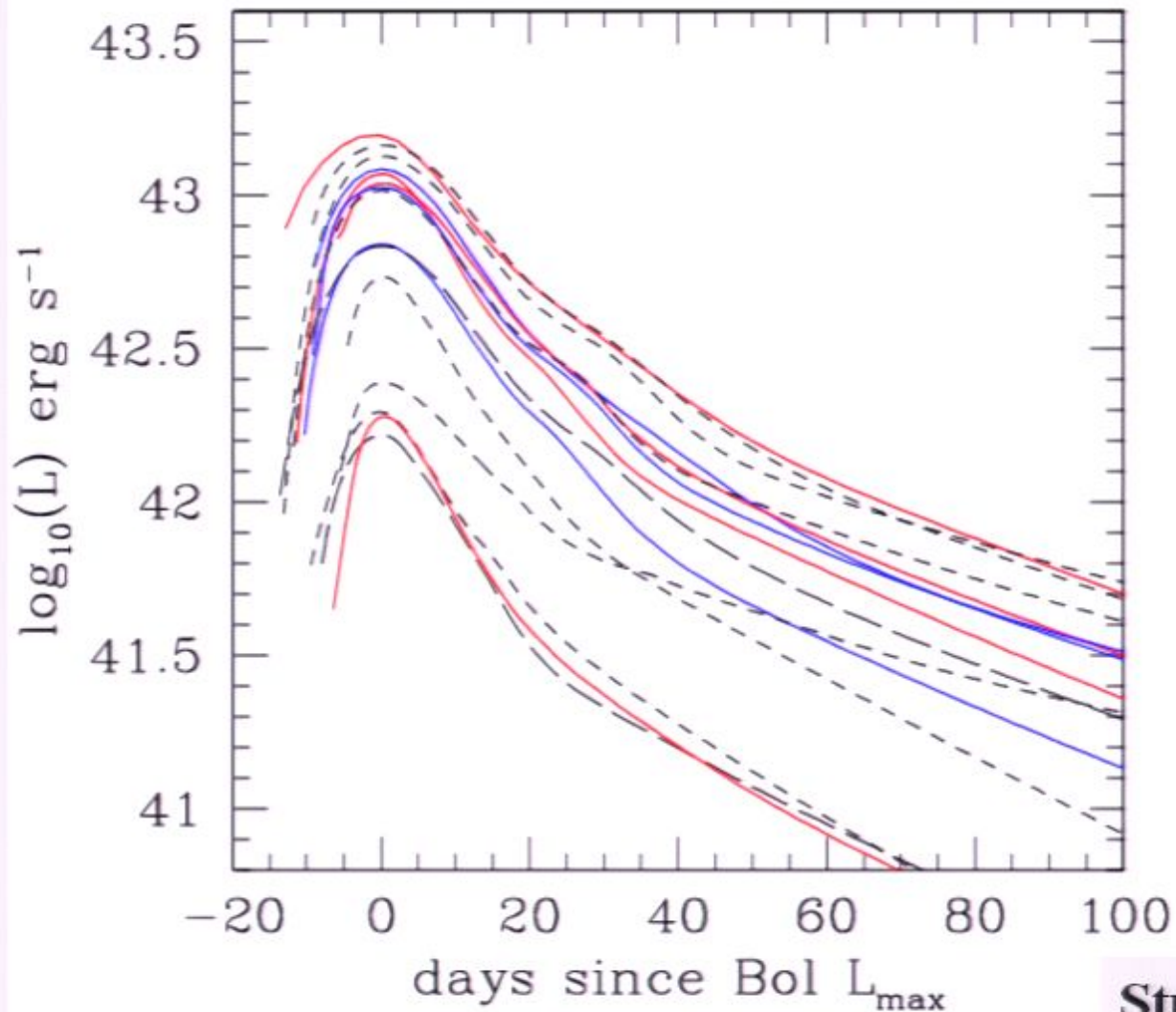
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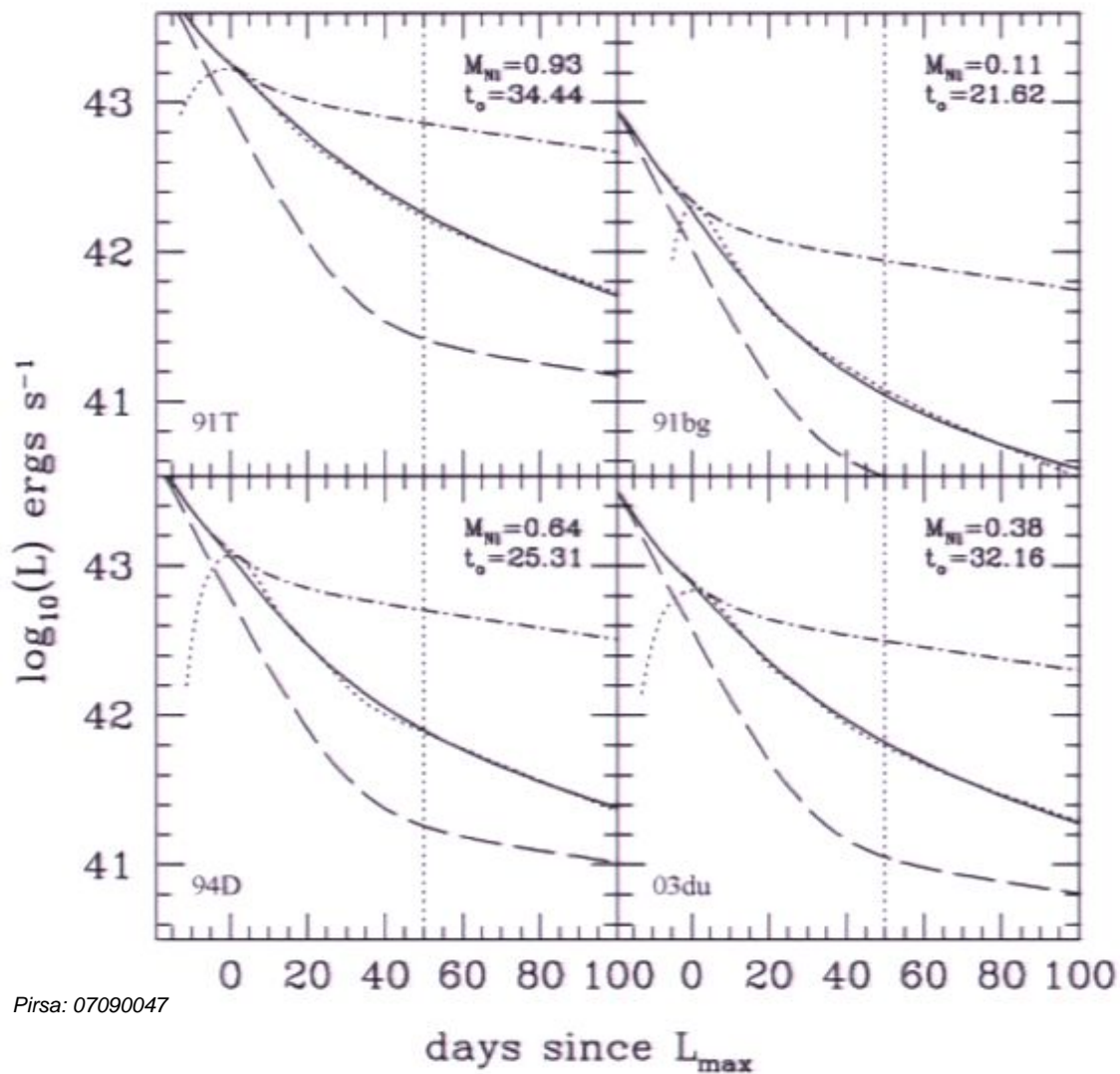
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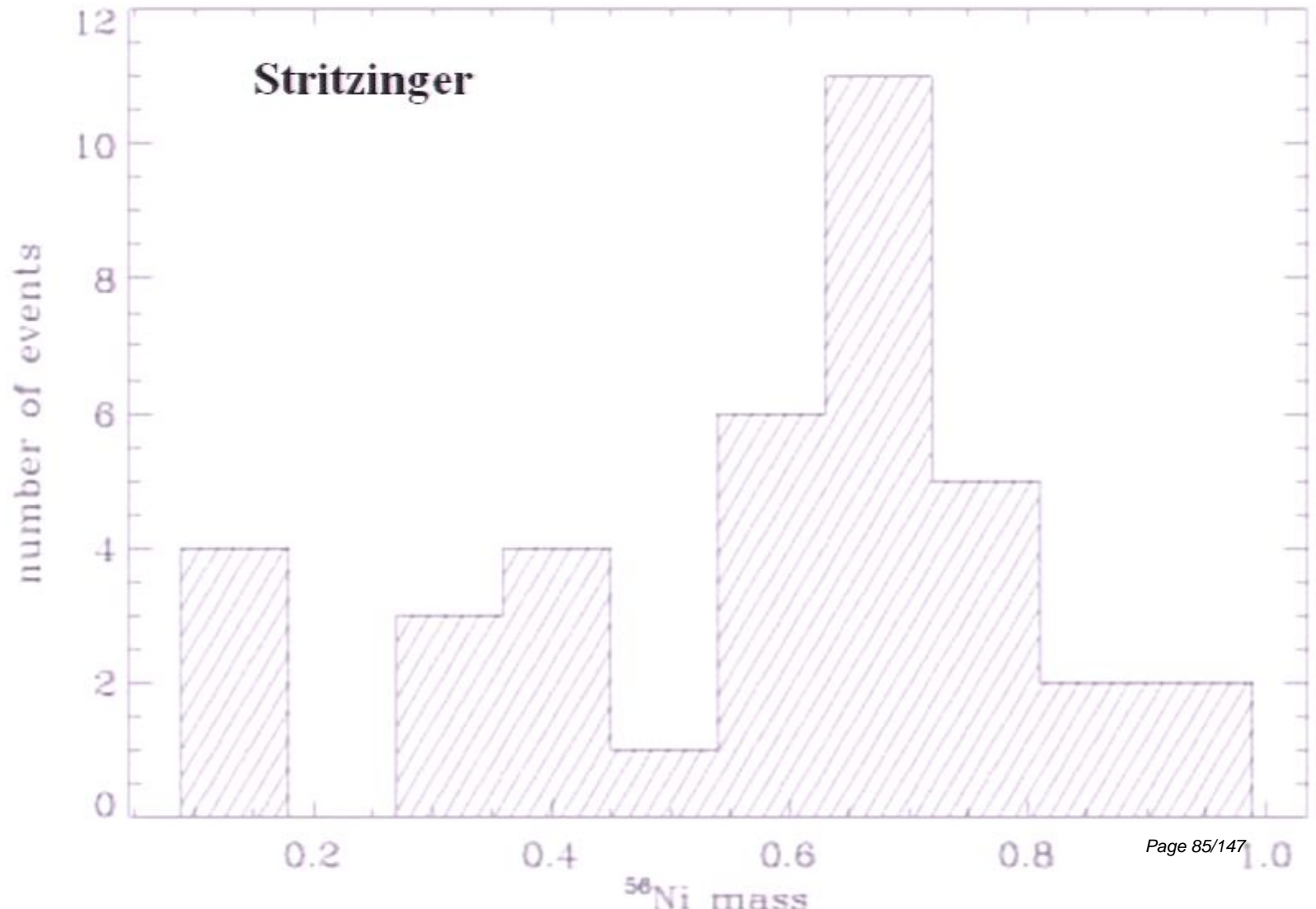
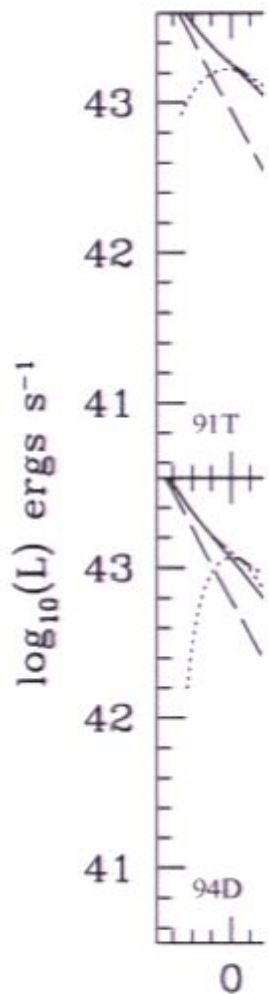
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# Ni masses from light curves



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# Determining $H_0$ from models

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**Luminosity distance**

$$D_L = \sqrt{\frac{L}{4\pi F}}$$

**Ni-Co decay**

$$E_{Ni} = \frac{\lambda_{Ni}\lambda_{Co}}{\lambda_{Ni} - \lambda_{Co}} \left\{ \left[ Q_{Ni} \left( \frac{\lambda_{Ni}}{\lambda_{Co}} - 1 \right) - Q_{Co} \right] e^{-\lambda_{Ni}t} + Q_{Co} e^{-\lambda_{Co}t} \right\} N_{Ni,0}$$

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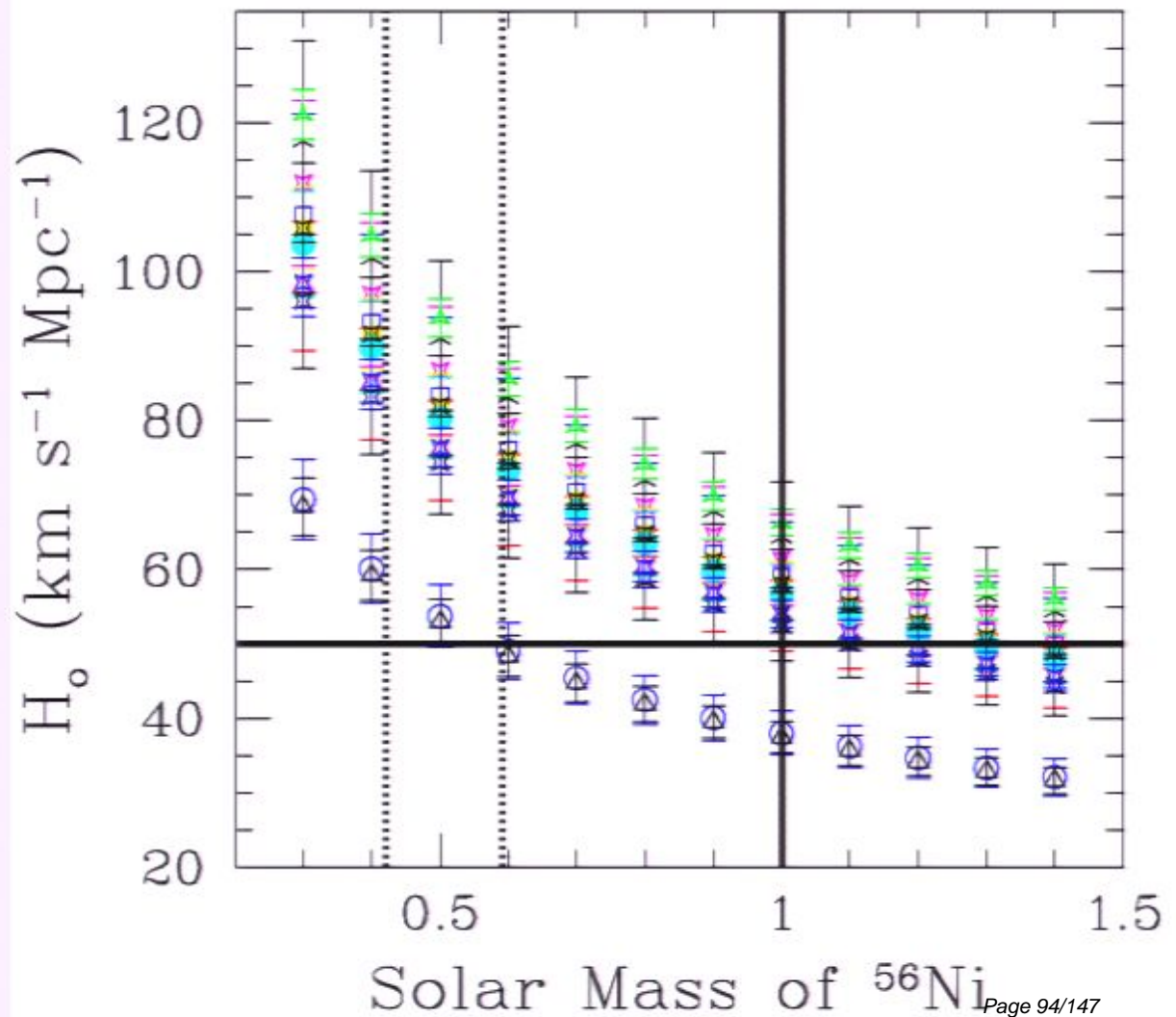
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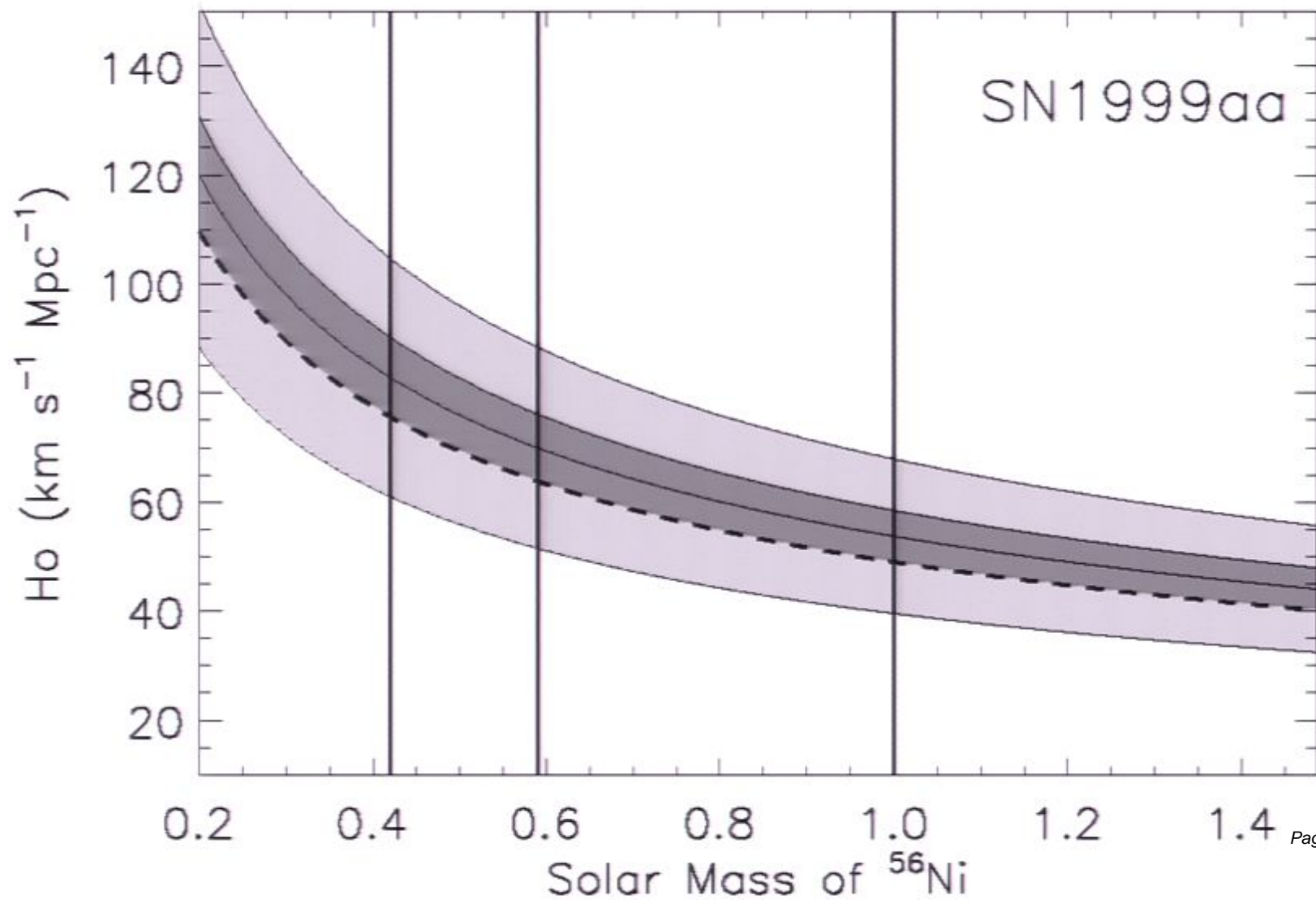
Individual SNe follow the  $M^{-1/2}$  dependency.

**Problem:**

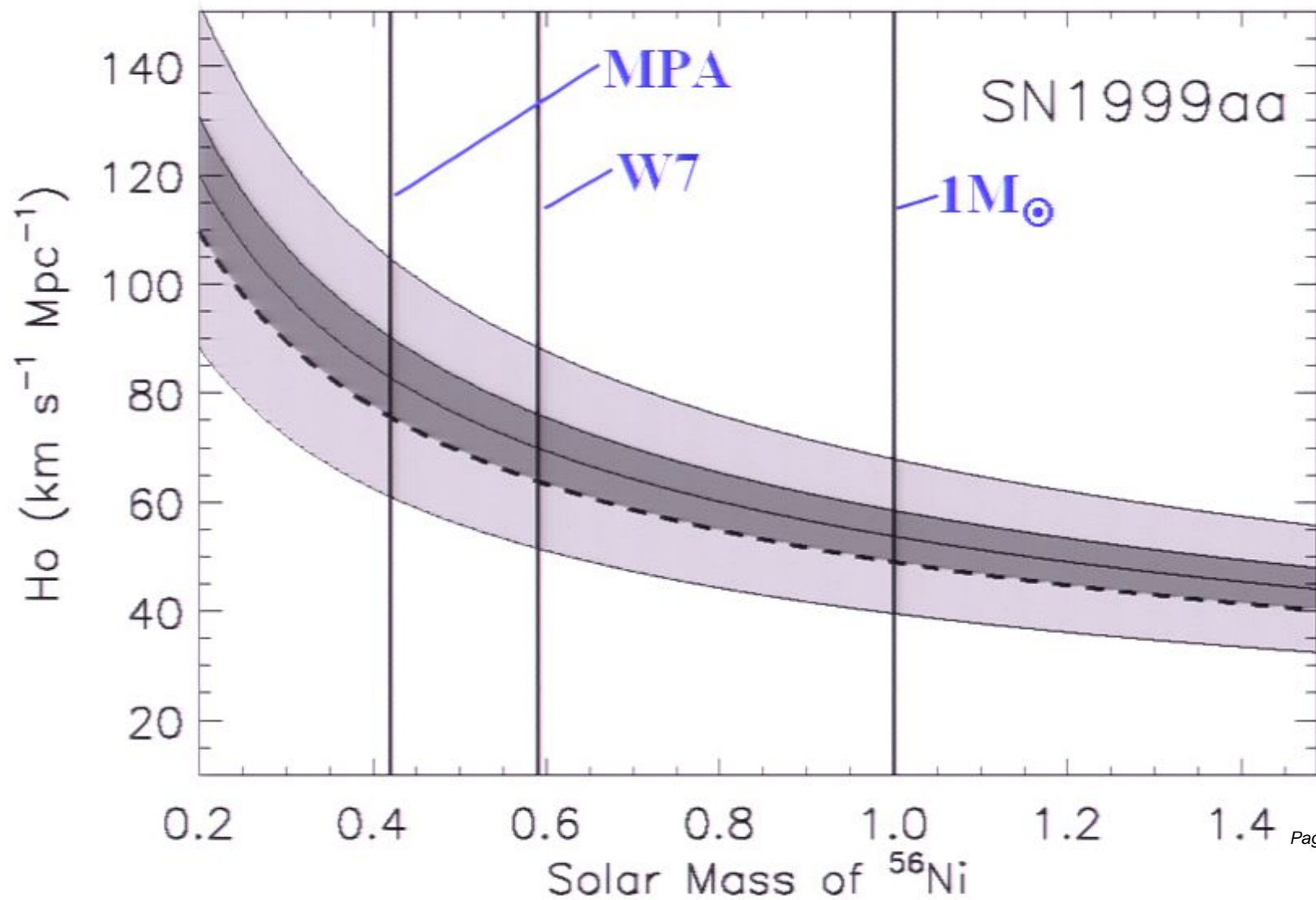
Since they have individual Ni masses it is not clear which one to apply!



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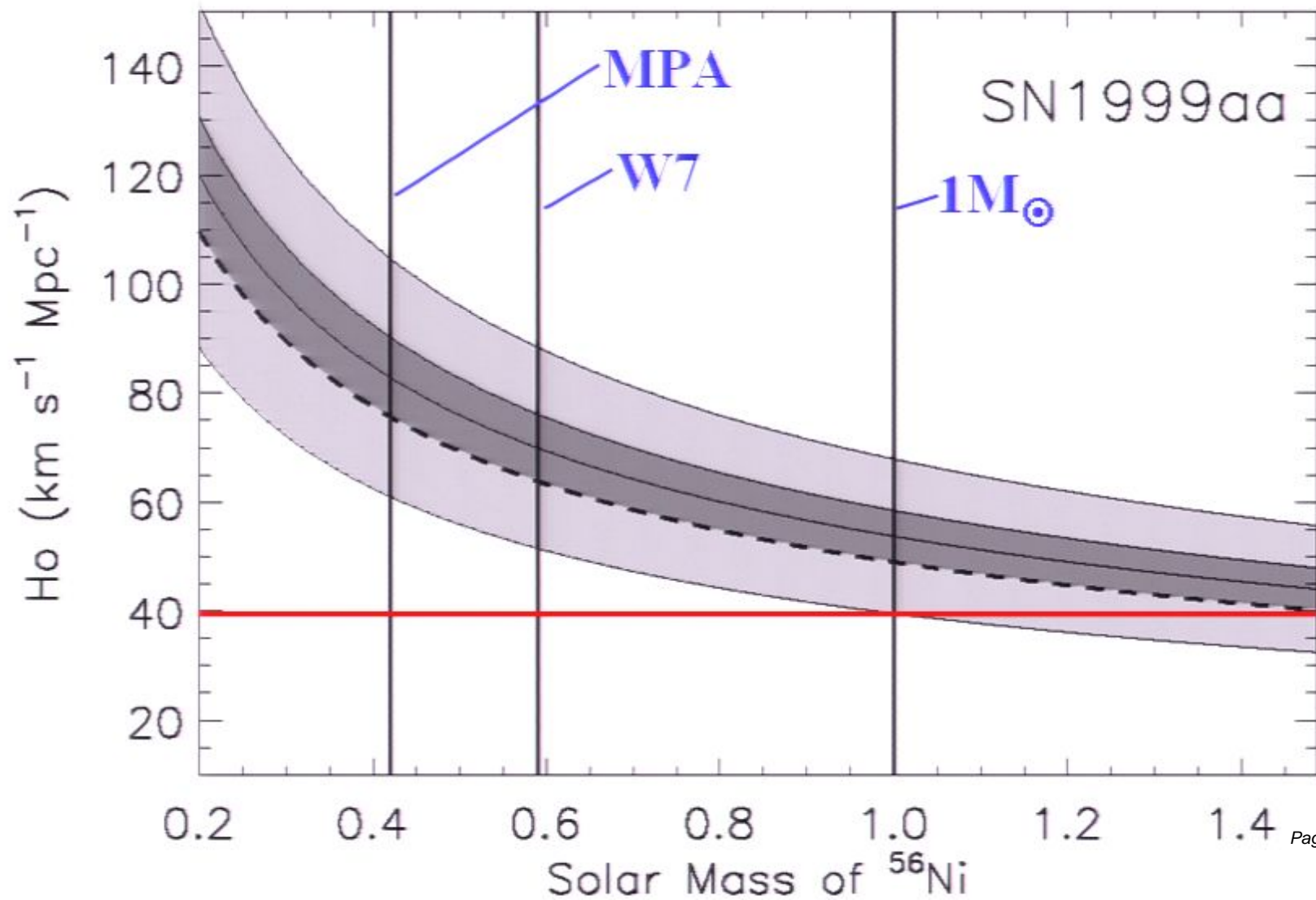


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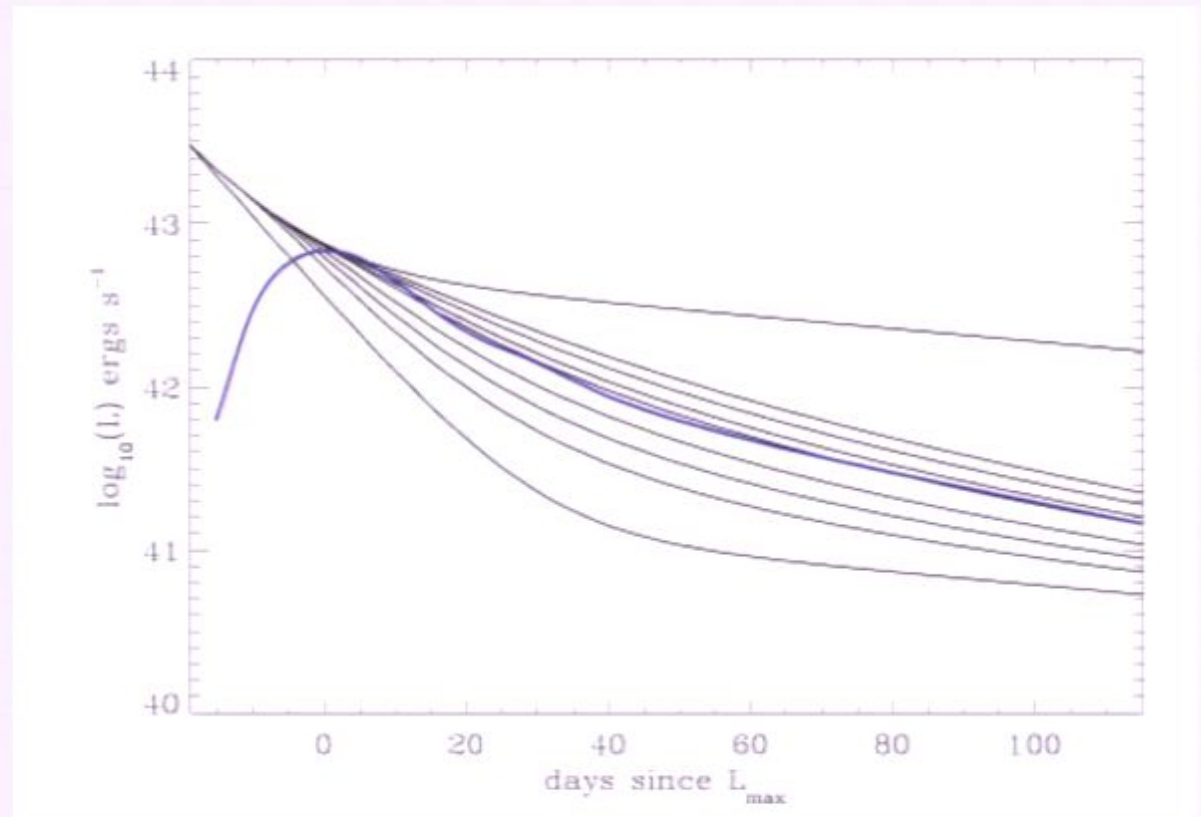
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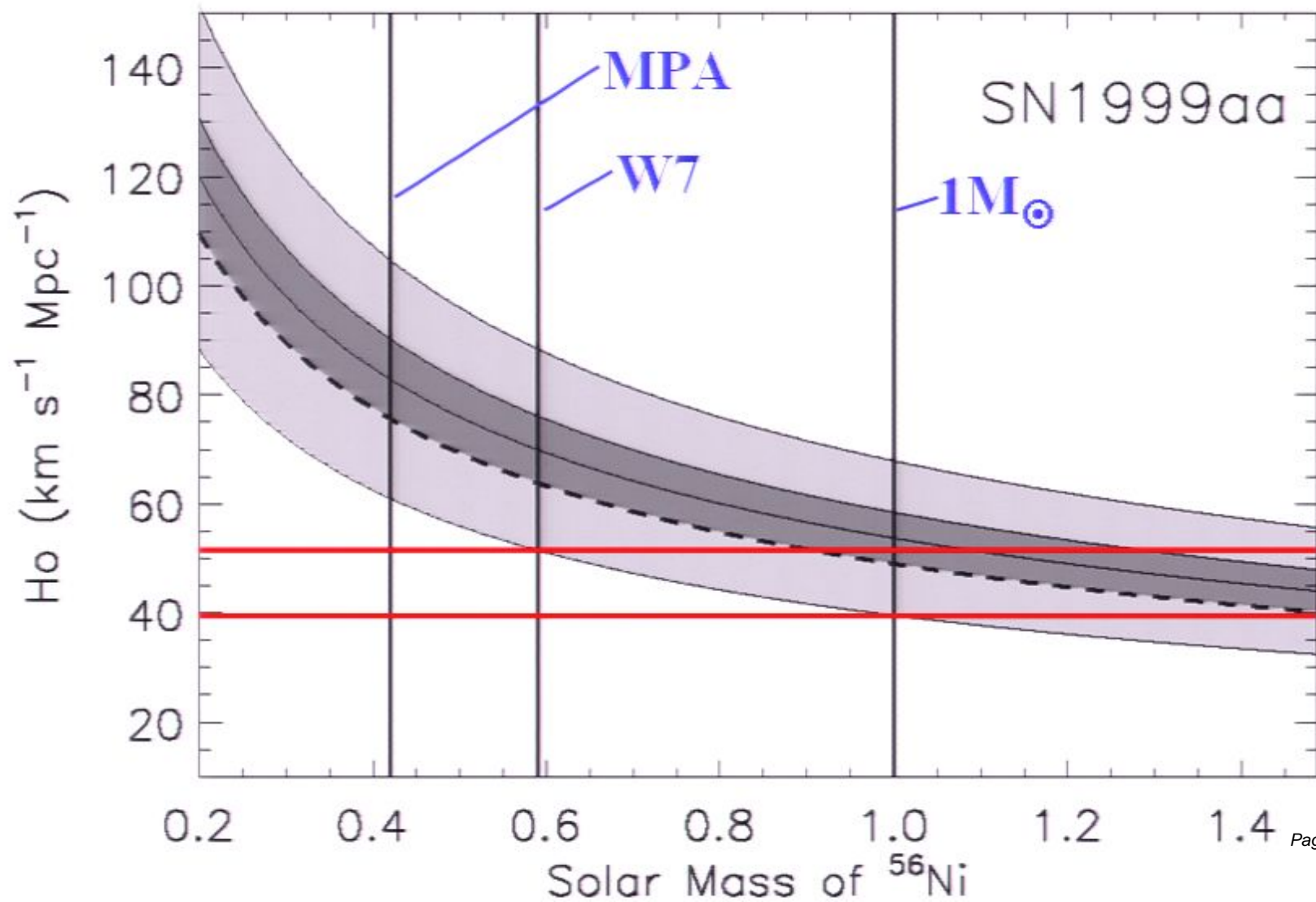
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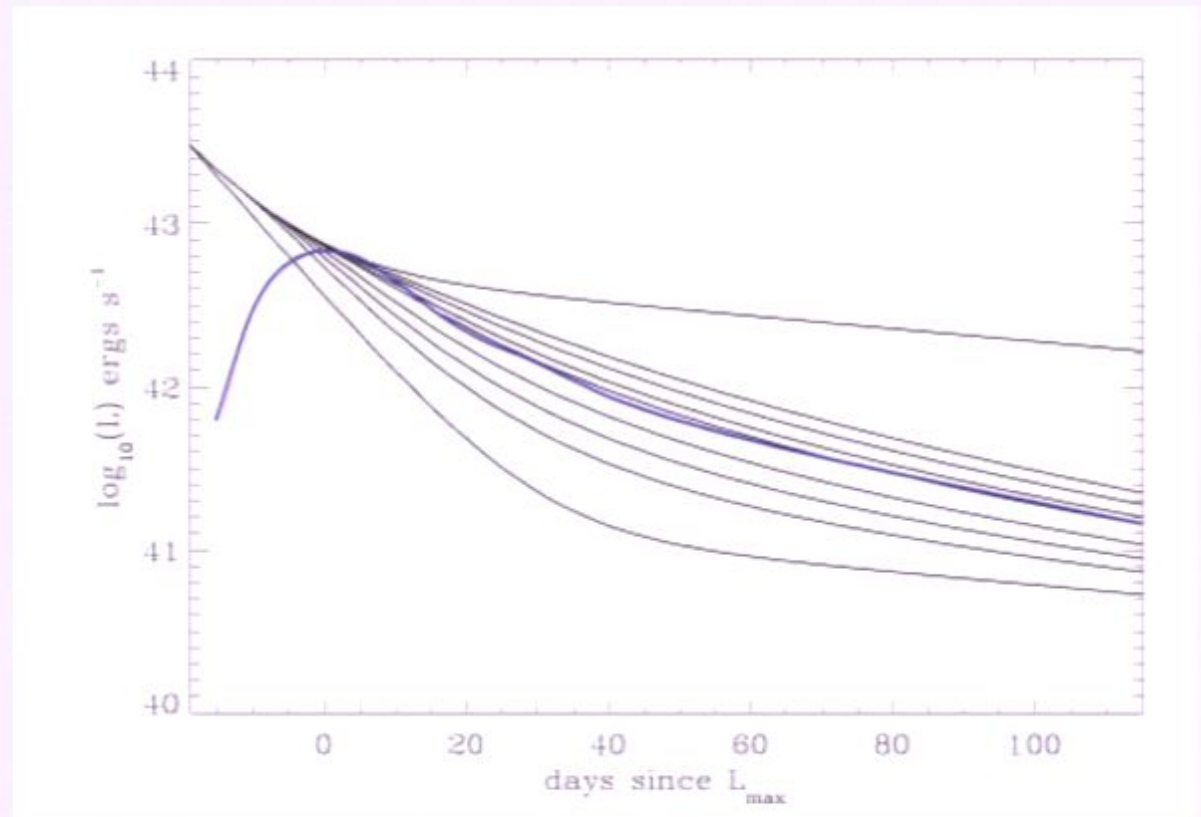
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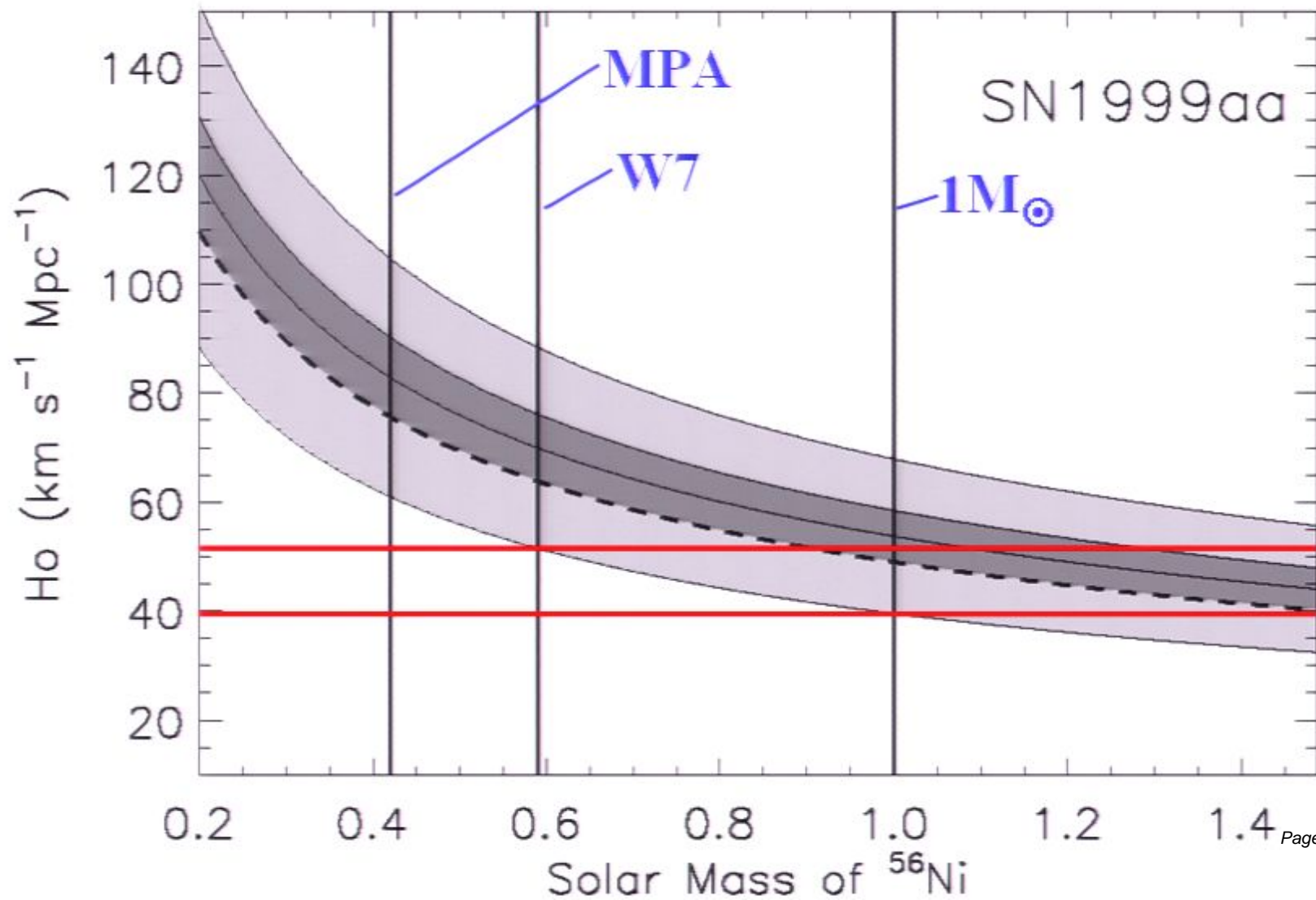
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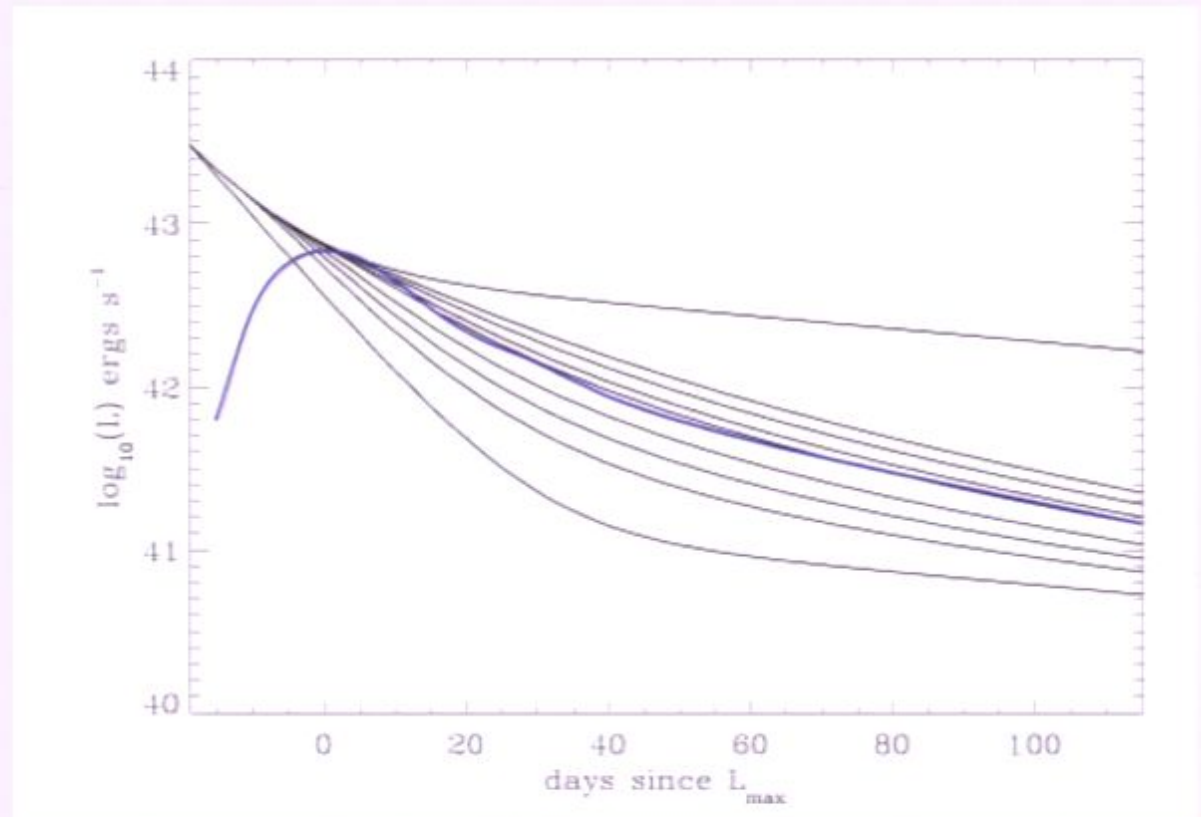
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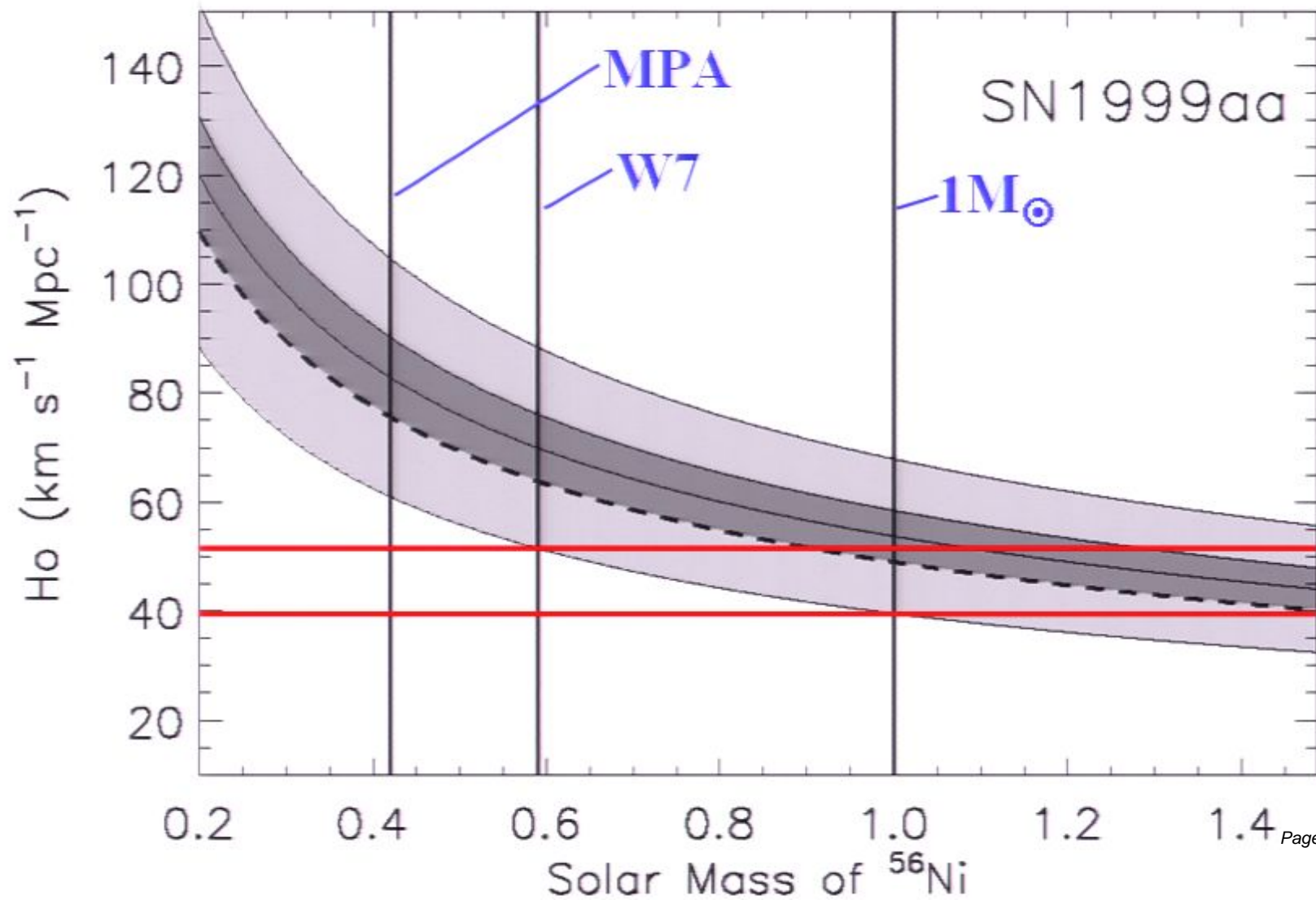
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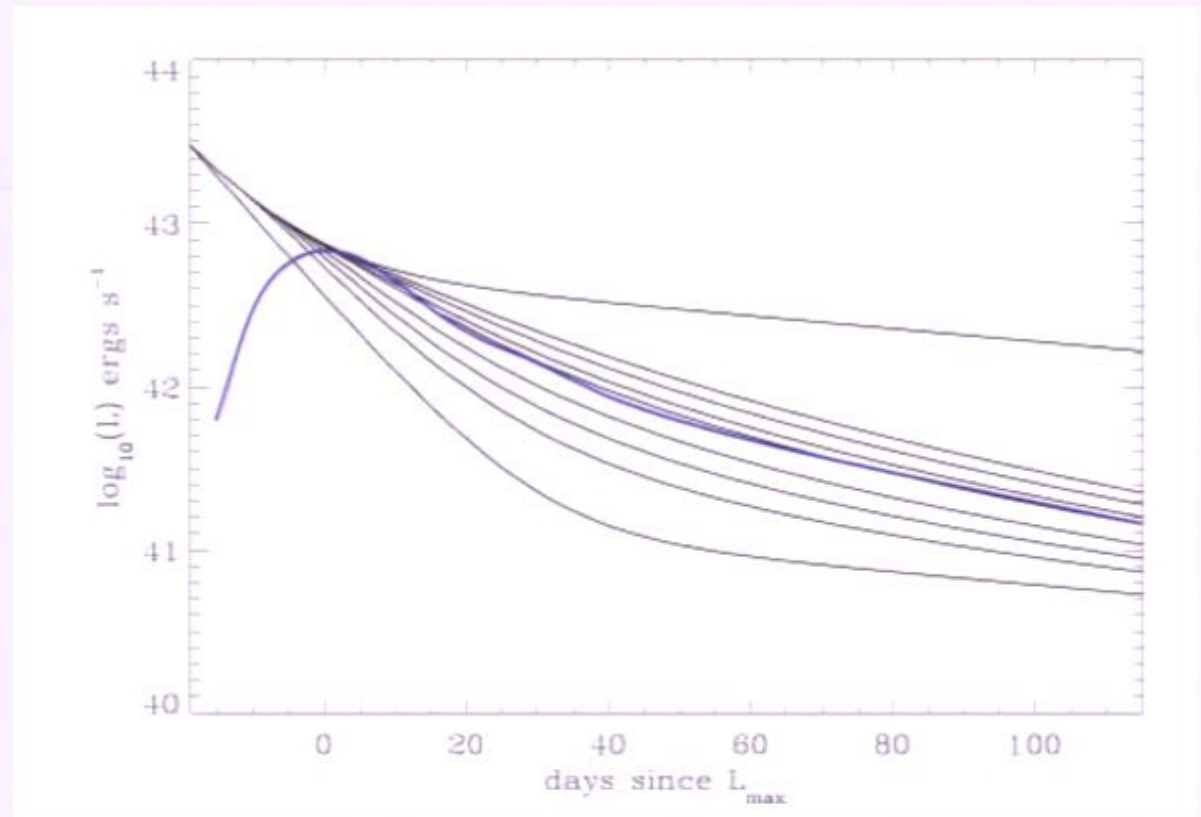
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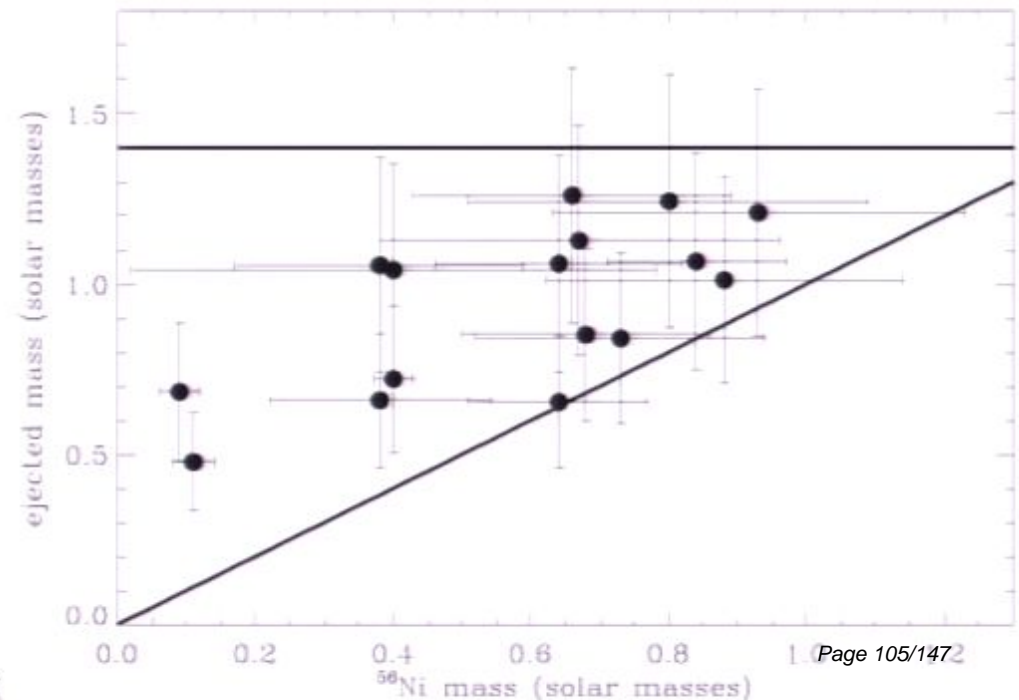




# Ejecta masses

Large range in nickel and ejecta masses

- no ejecta mass at  $1.4M_{\odot}$
- factor of 2 in ejecta masses
- some rather small differences between nickel and ejecta mass



# Type Ia Supernovae

## Individual explosions

- **differences in explosion mechanism**
  - deflagration vs. delayed detonations
- **3-dimensional structures**
  - distribution of elements in the ejecta
  - high velocity material in the ejecta
- **explosion energies**
  - different expansion velocities
- **fuel**
  - amounts of nickel mass synthesised
- **progenitors**
  - ejecta masses?

# Standard SNe Ia?

What is the definition of a **normal SN Ia**?

- **light curves**

- already used to normalise the peak luminosity
- second parameter
  - SALT2 → Guy et al.
  - CMAGIC → Wang et al.

- **expansion velocities**

- observational coverage (spectroscopy!)

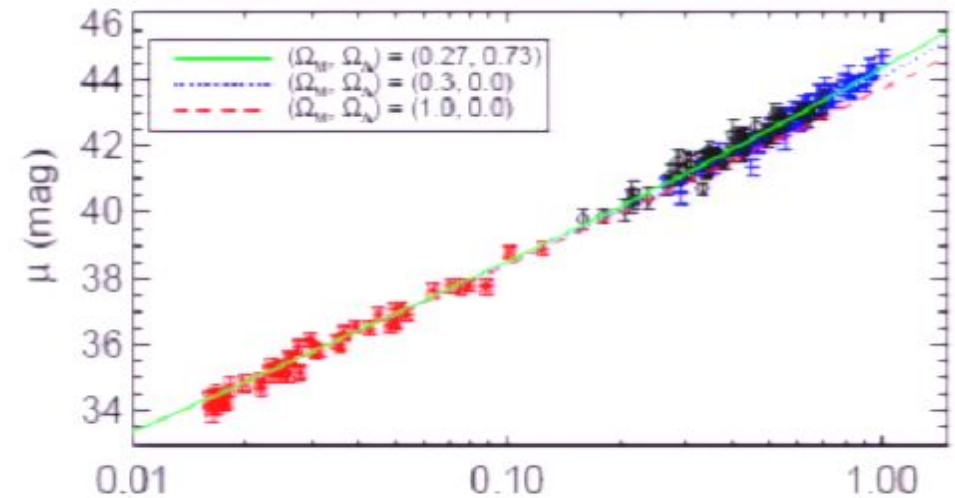
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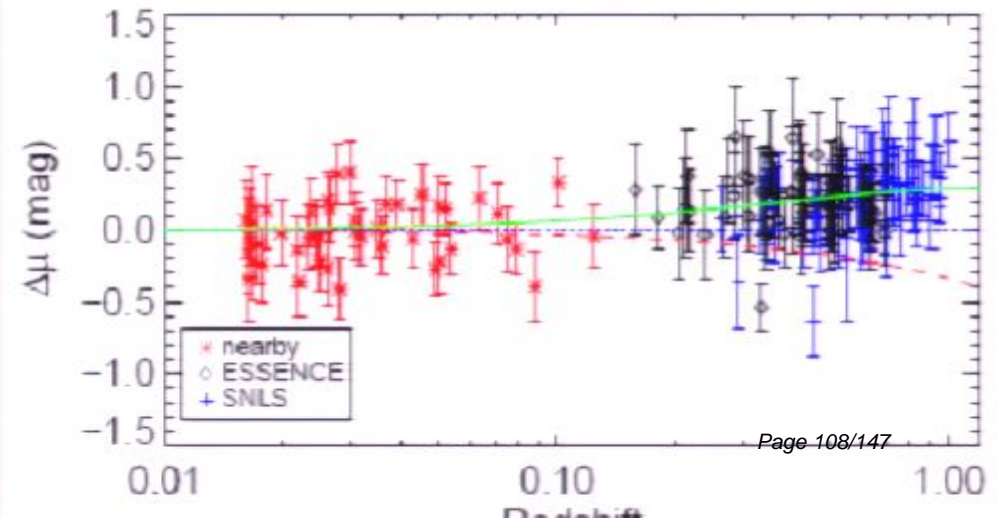
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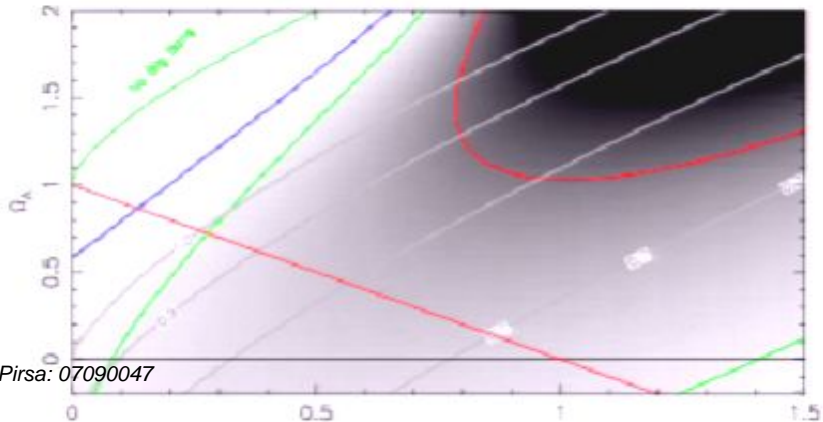
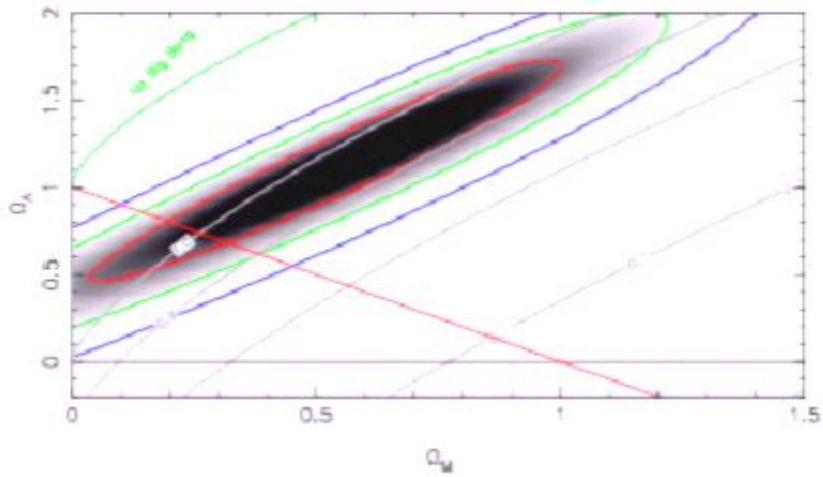
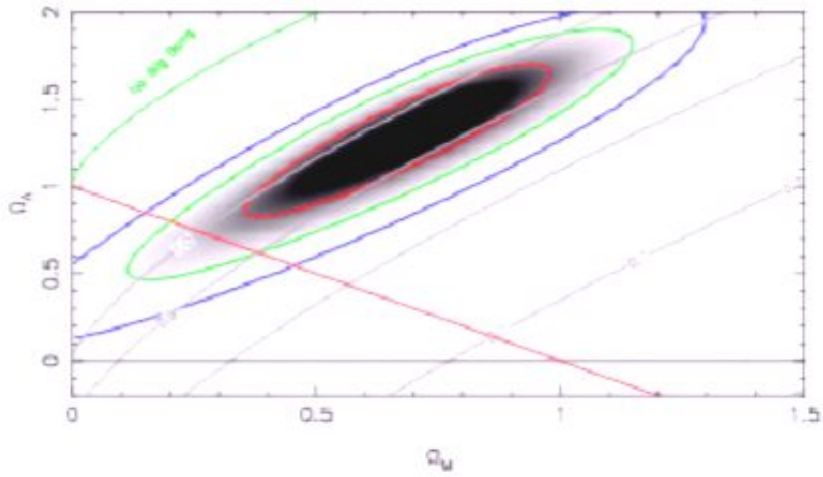
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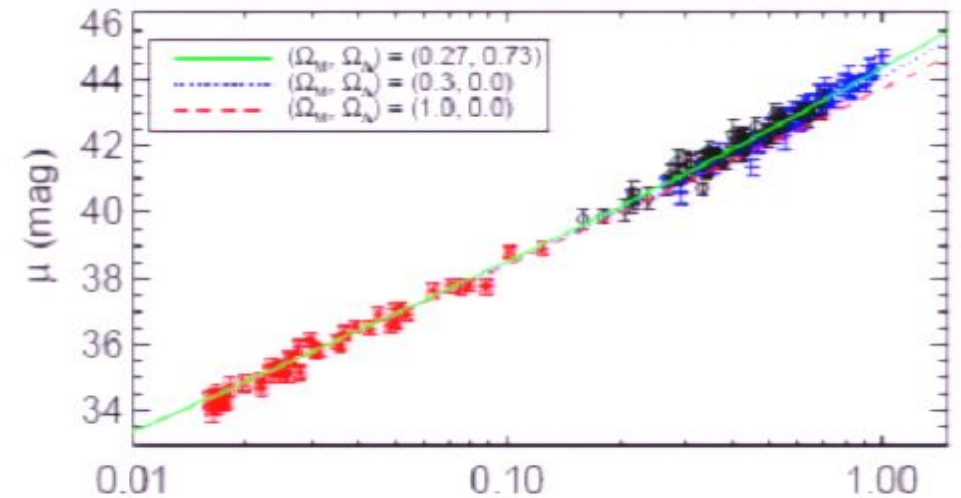
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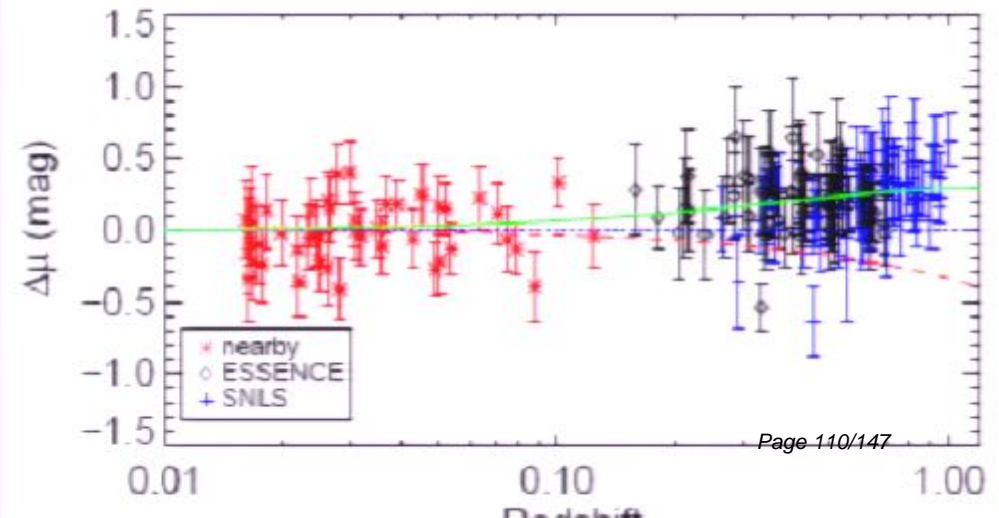
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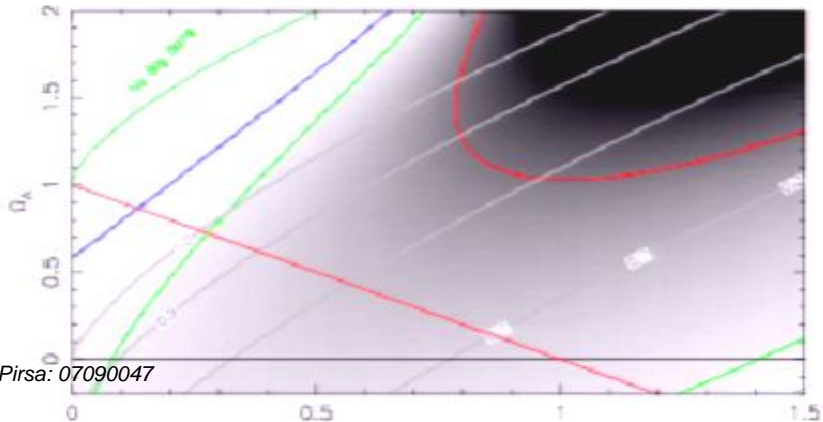
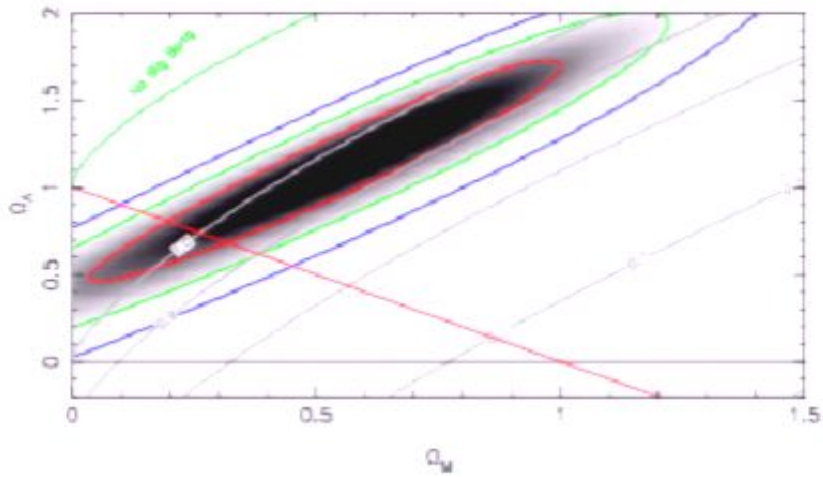
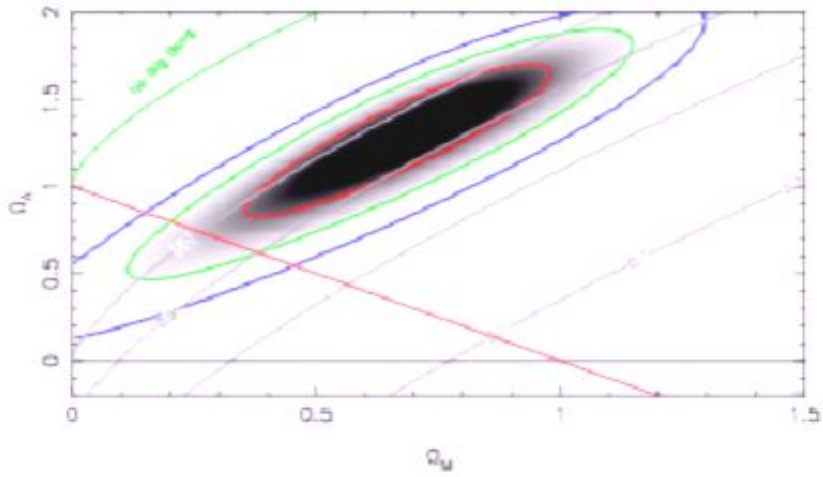
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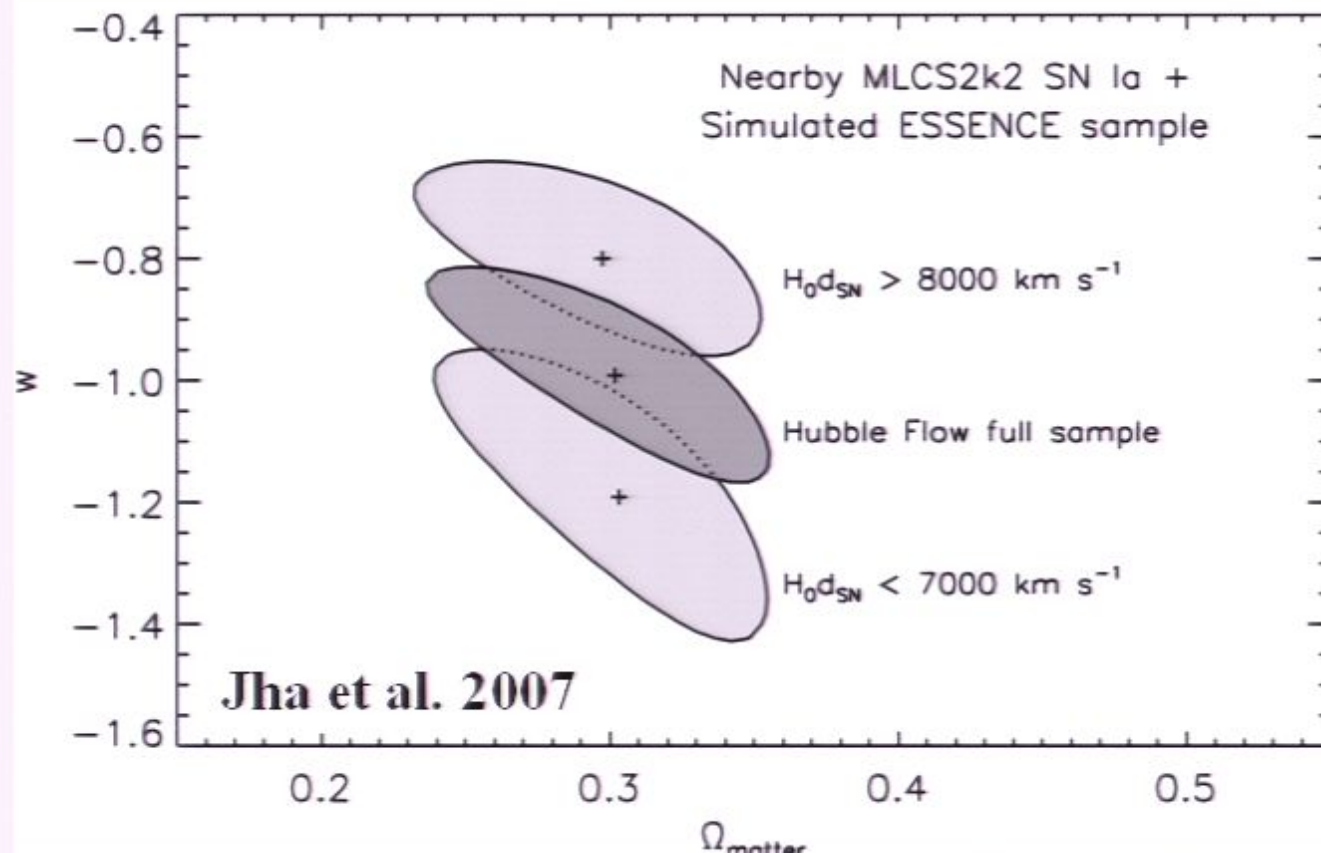
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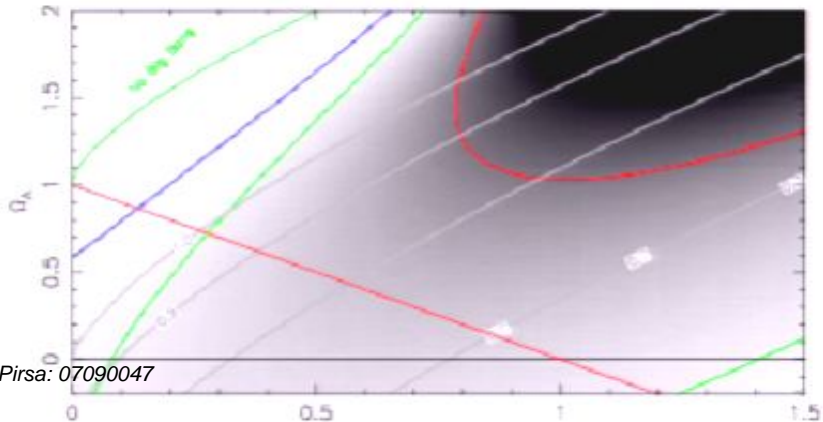
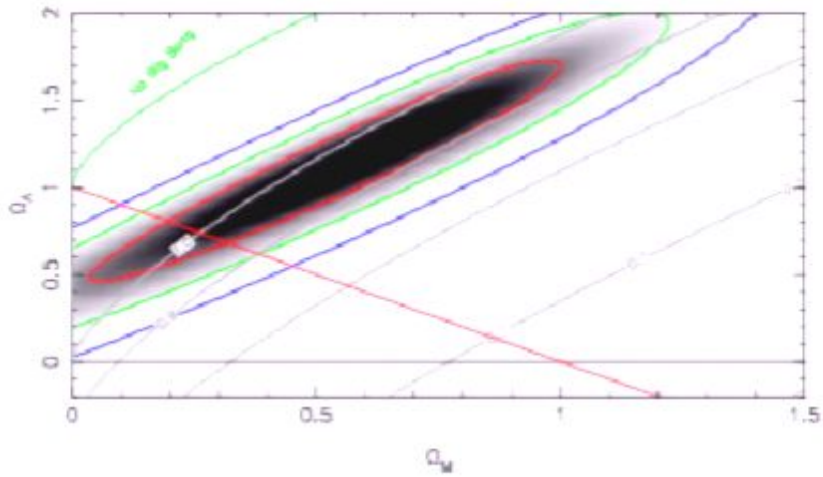
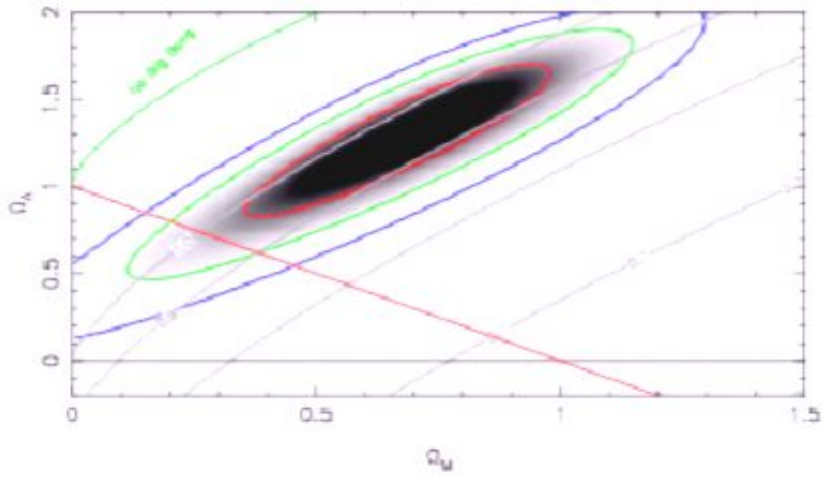
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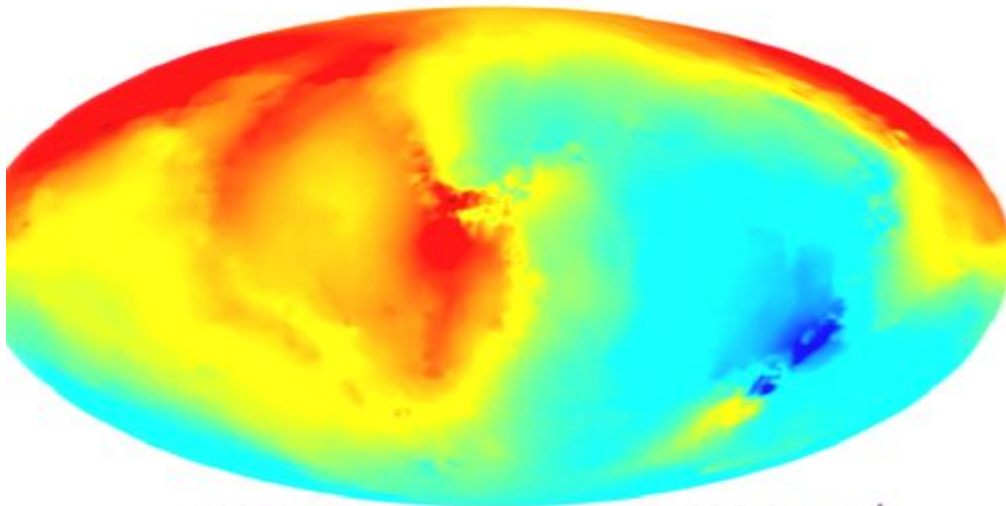
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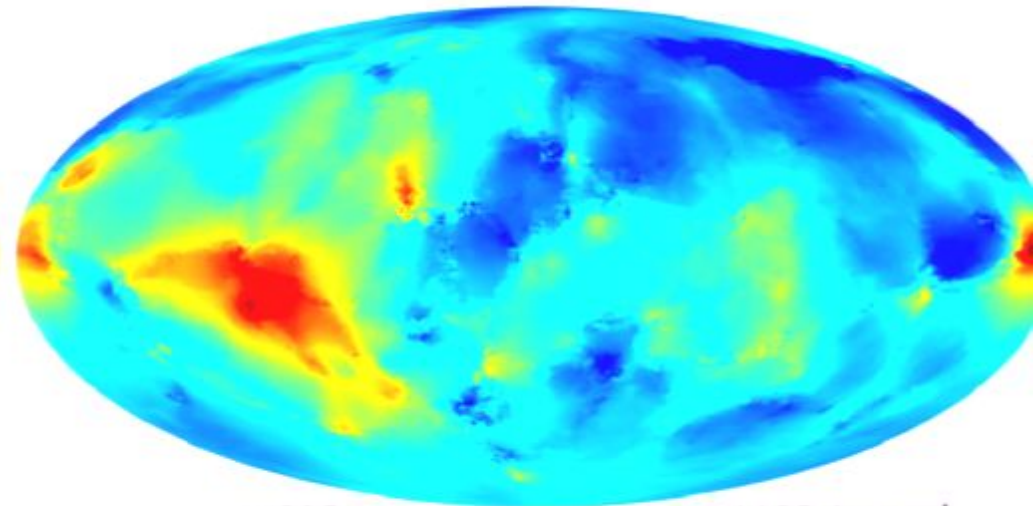
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Peculiar velocities at  $z=0.01$



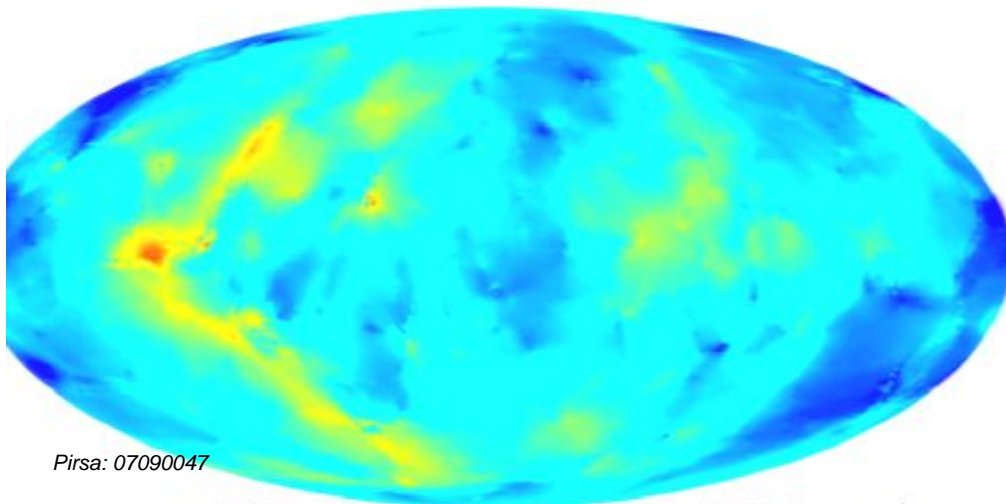
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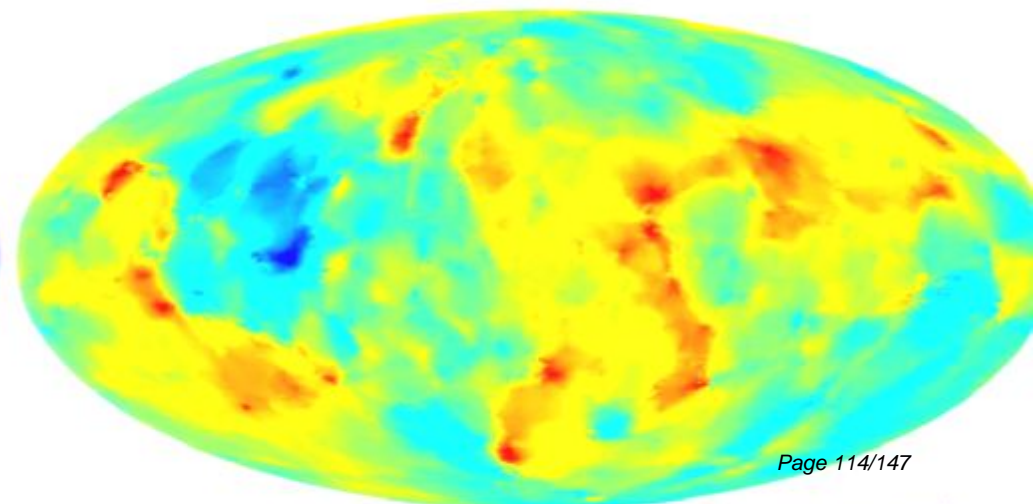
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Peculiar velocities at  $z=0.03$



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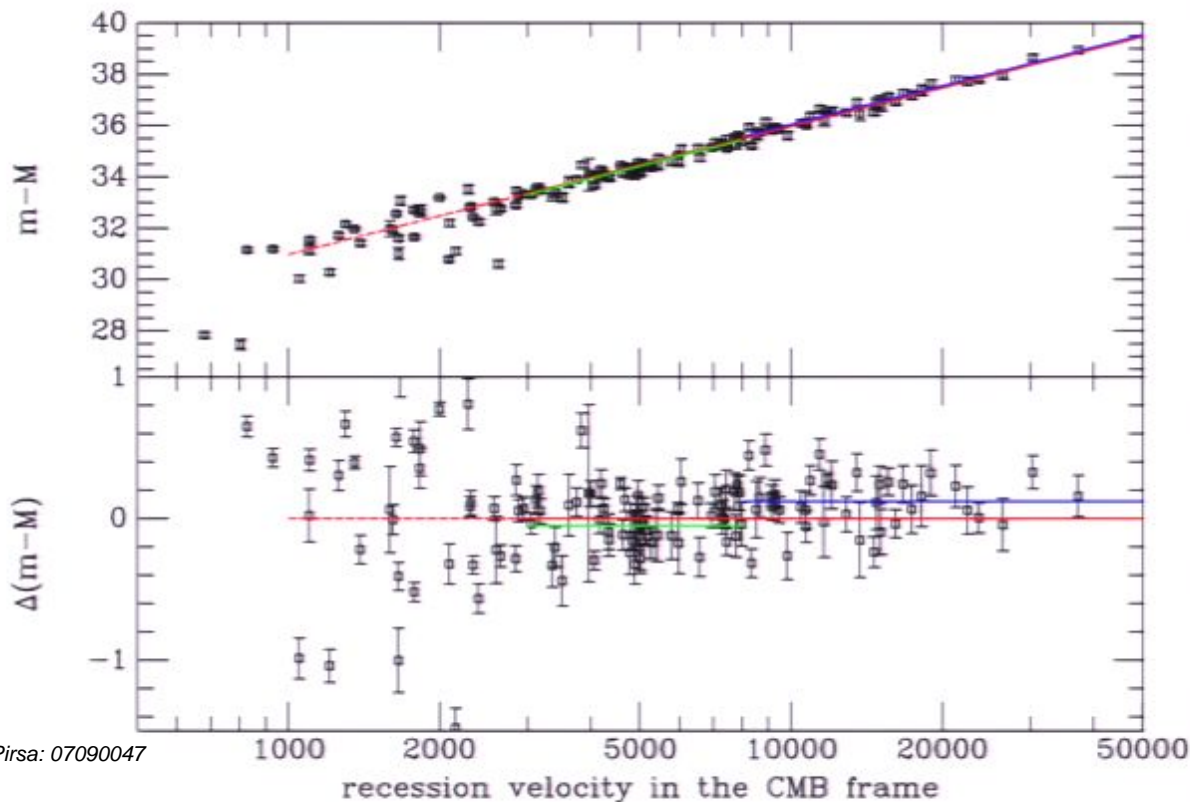


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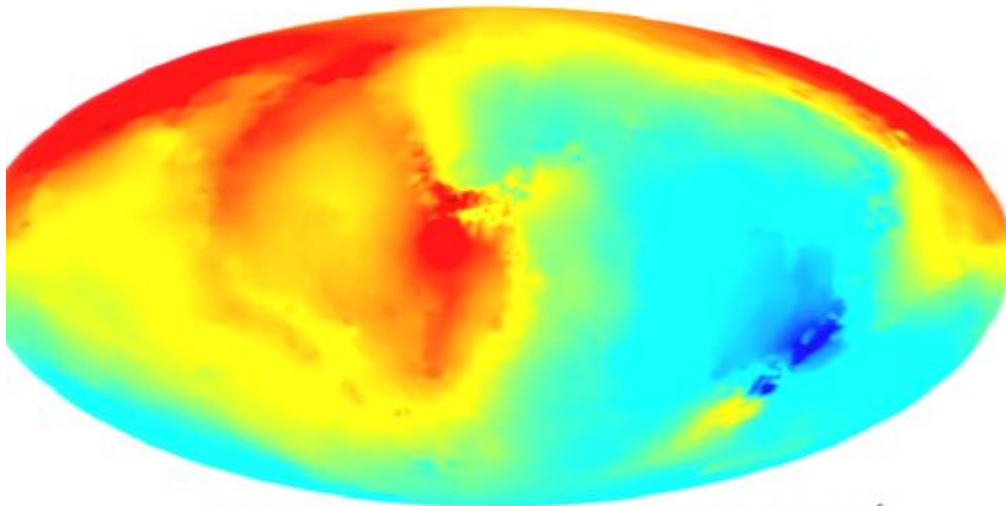
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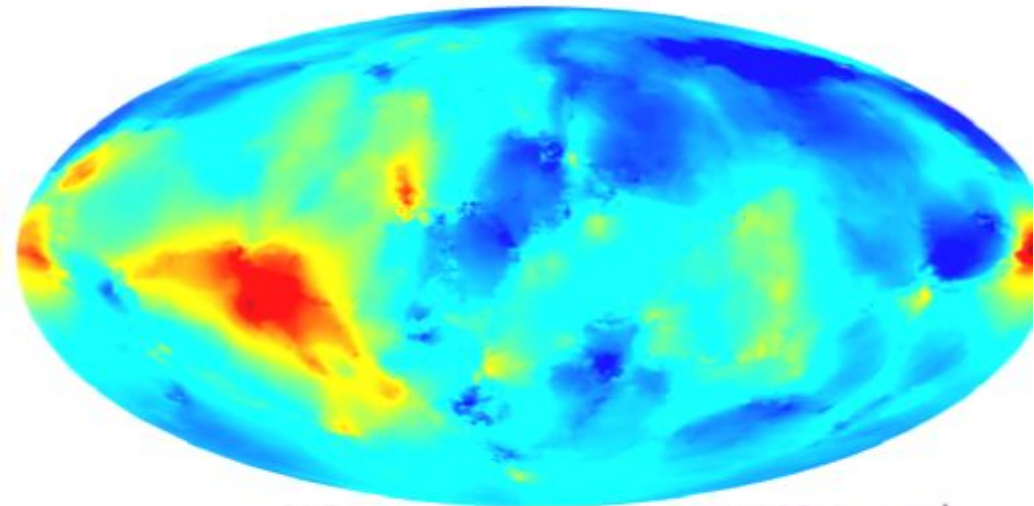
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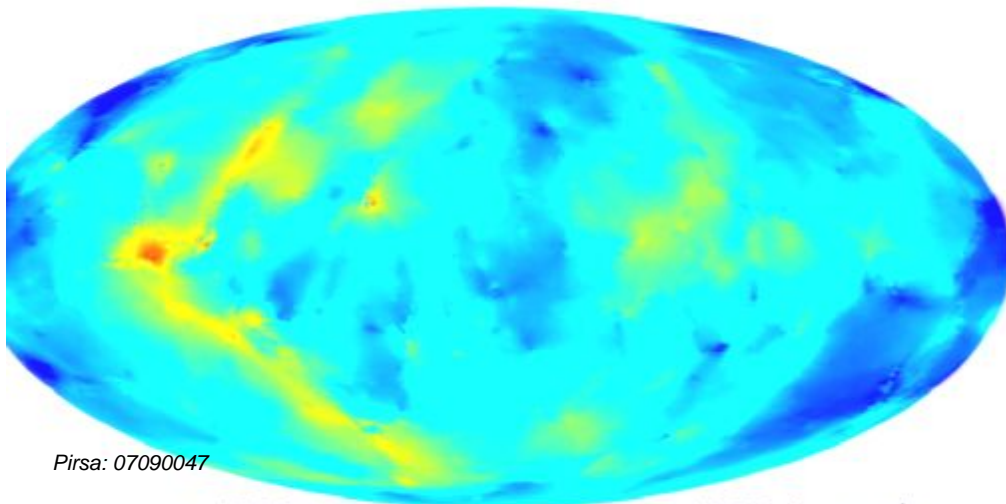
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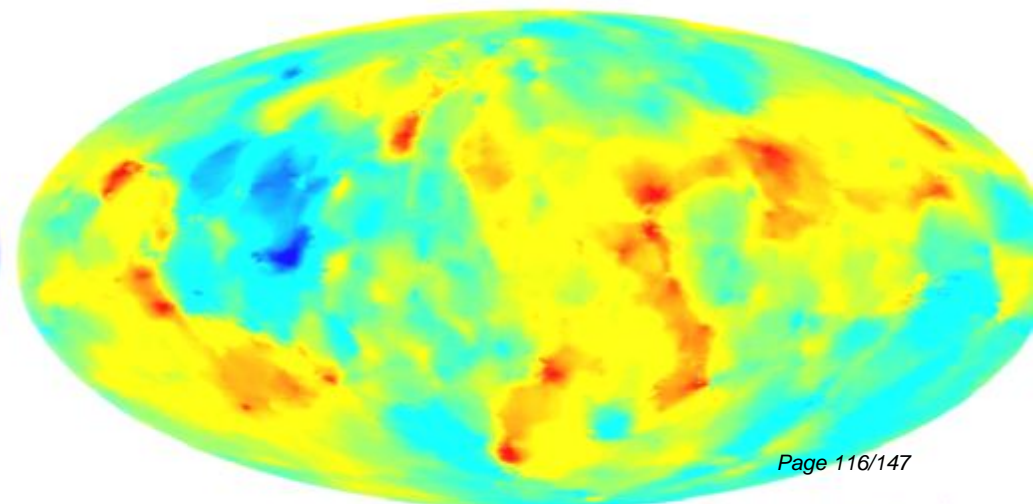
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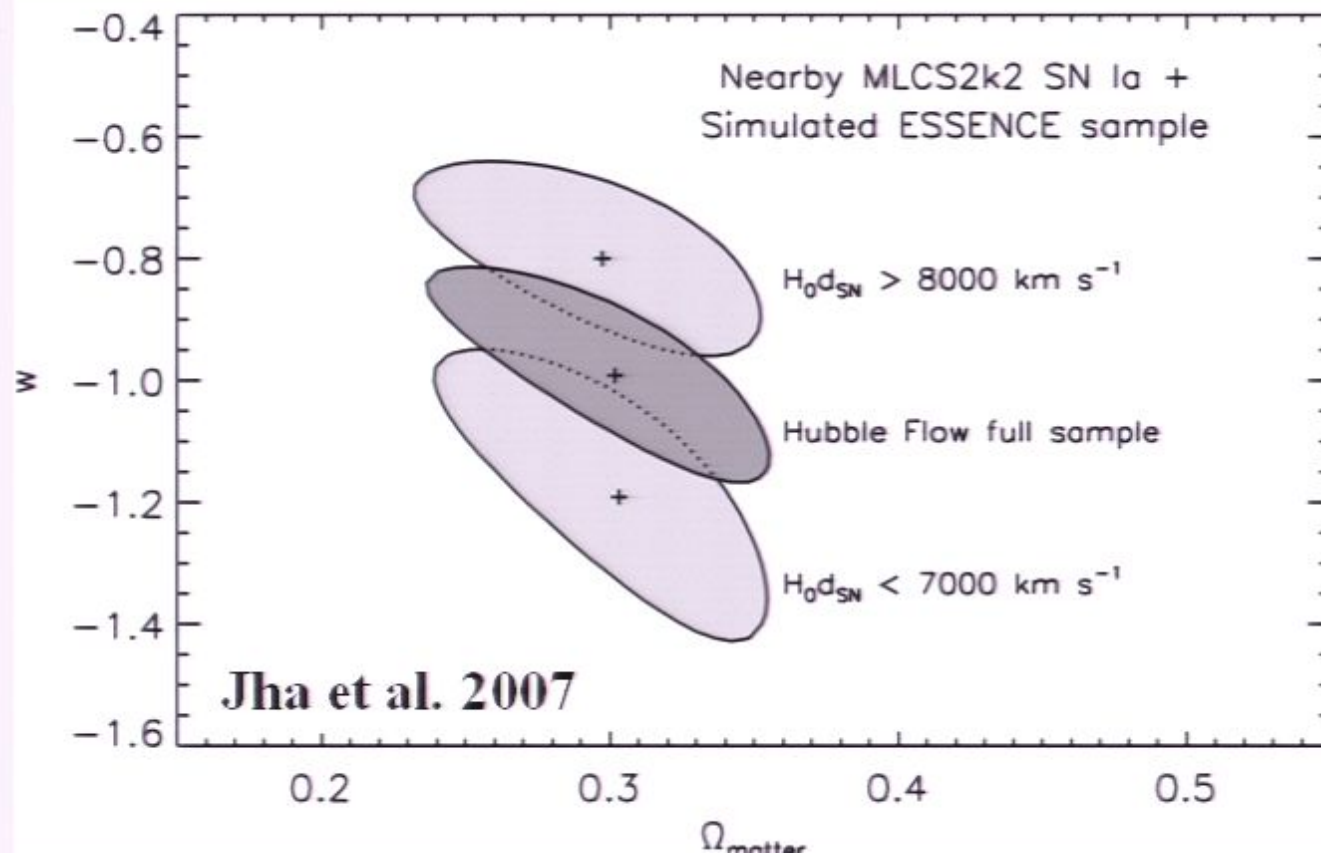


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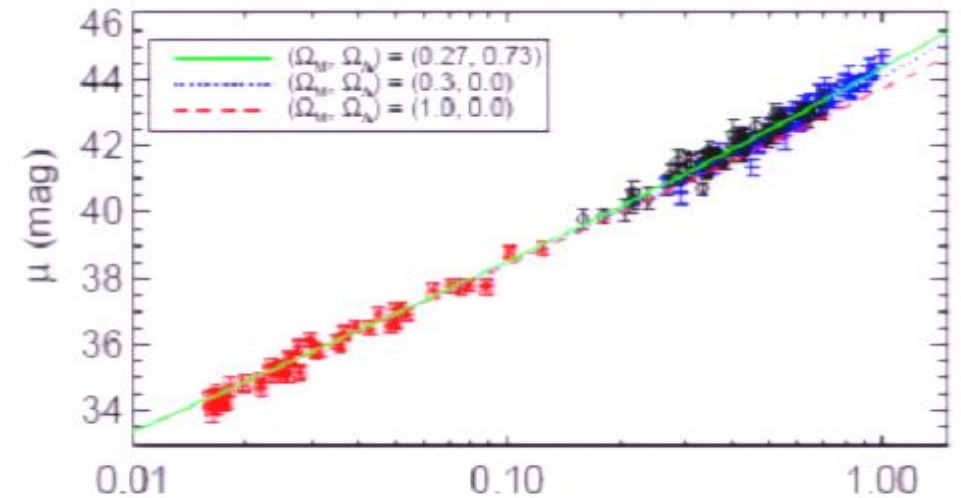
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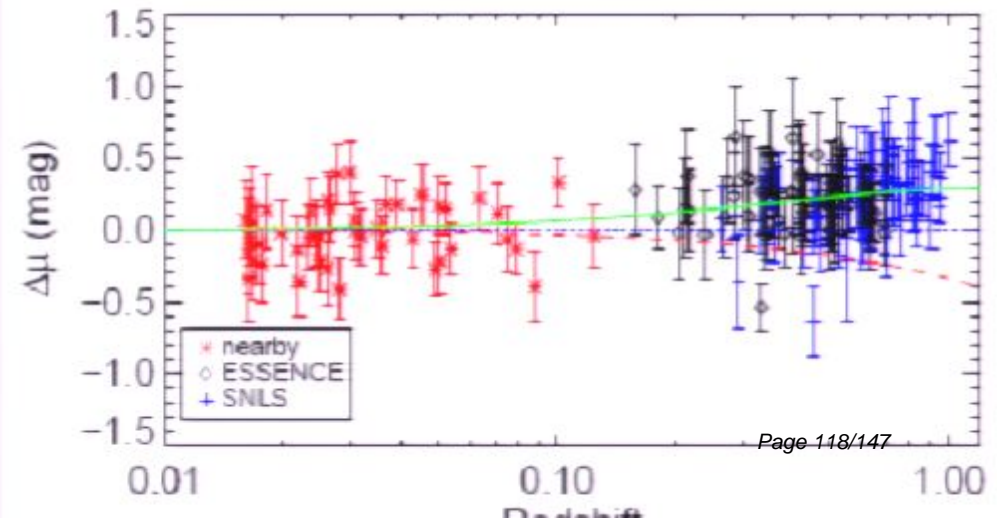


# Know where you are

All cosmological interpretations make use of the same local sample!



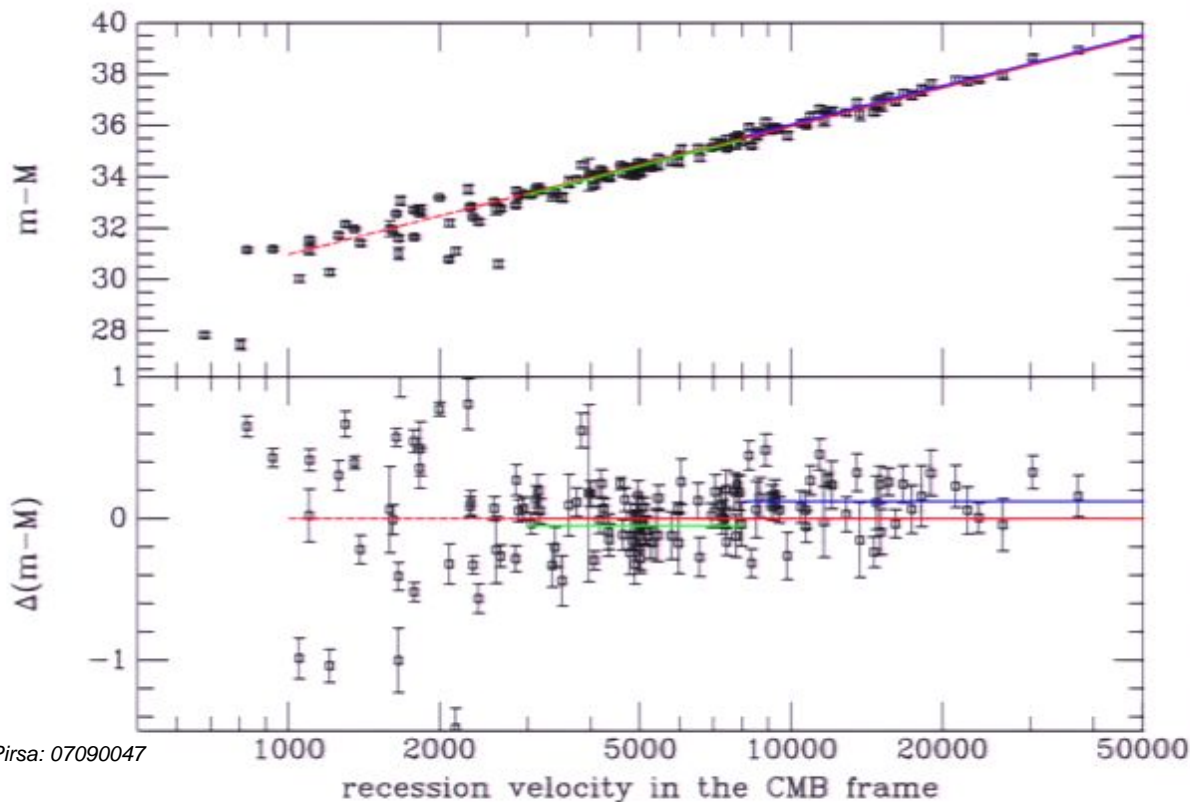
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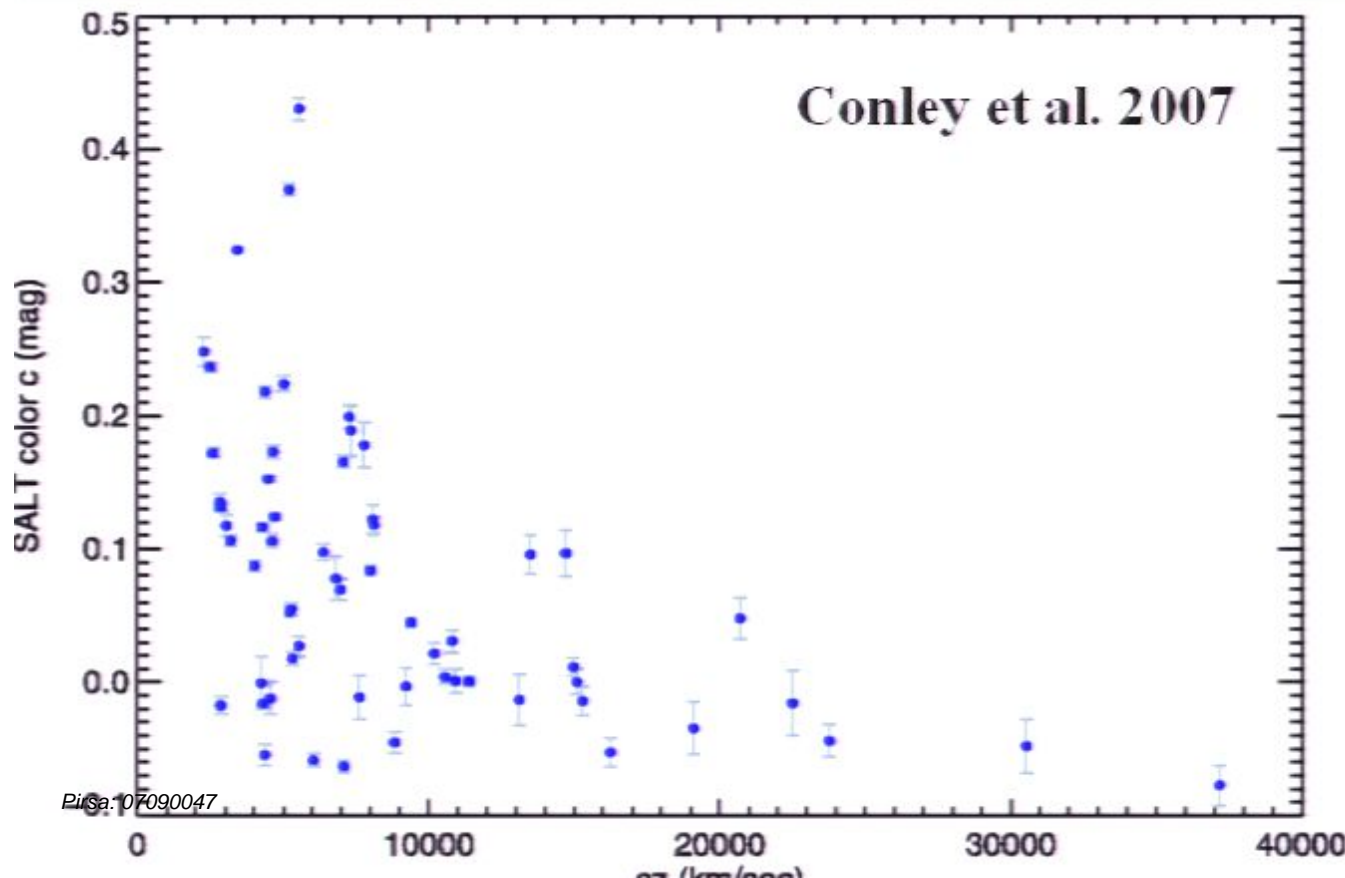
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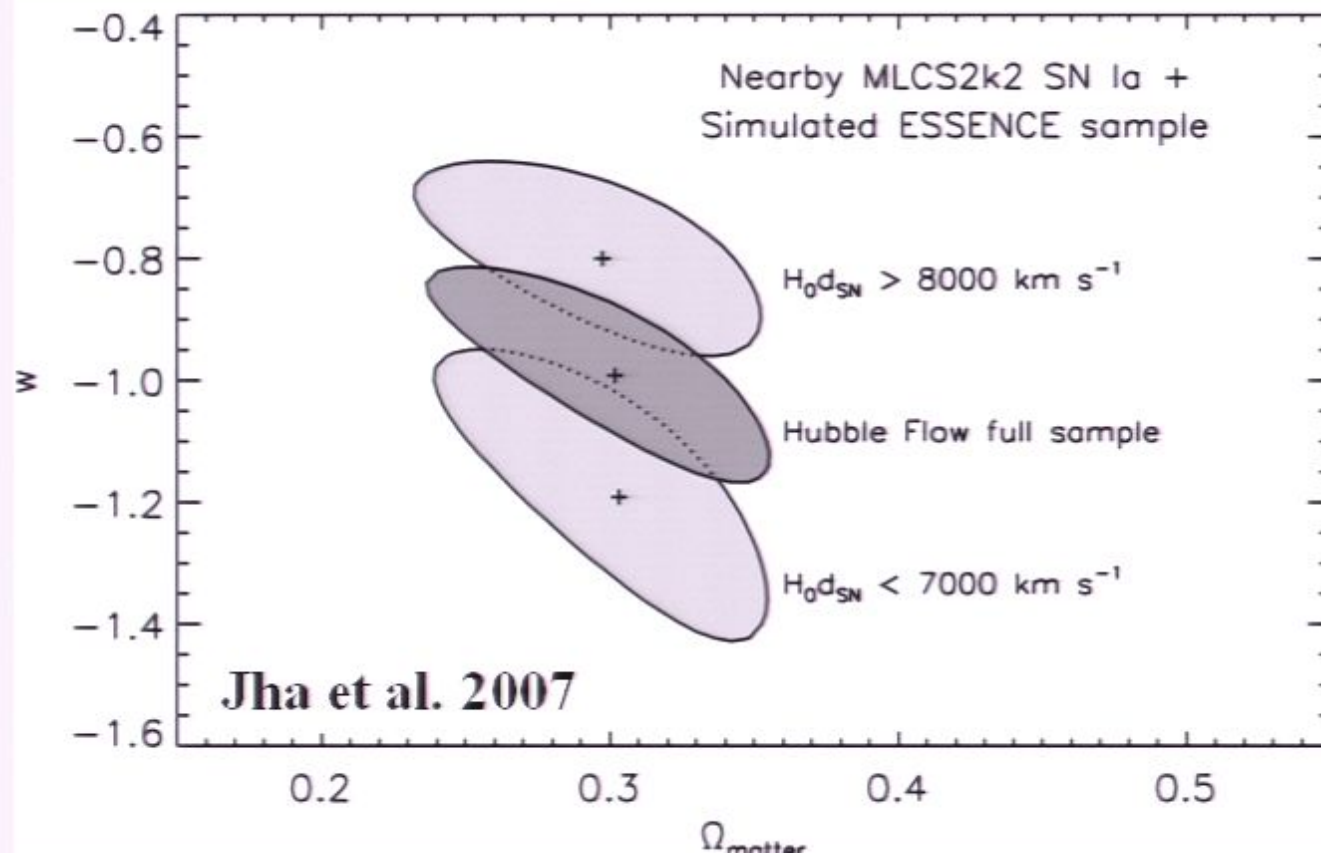
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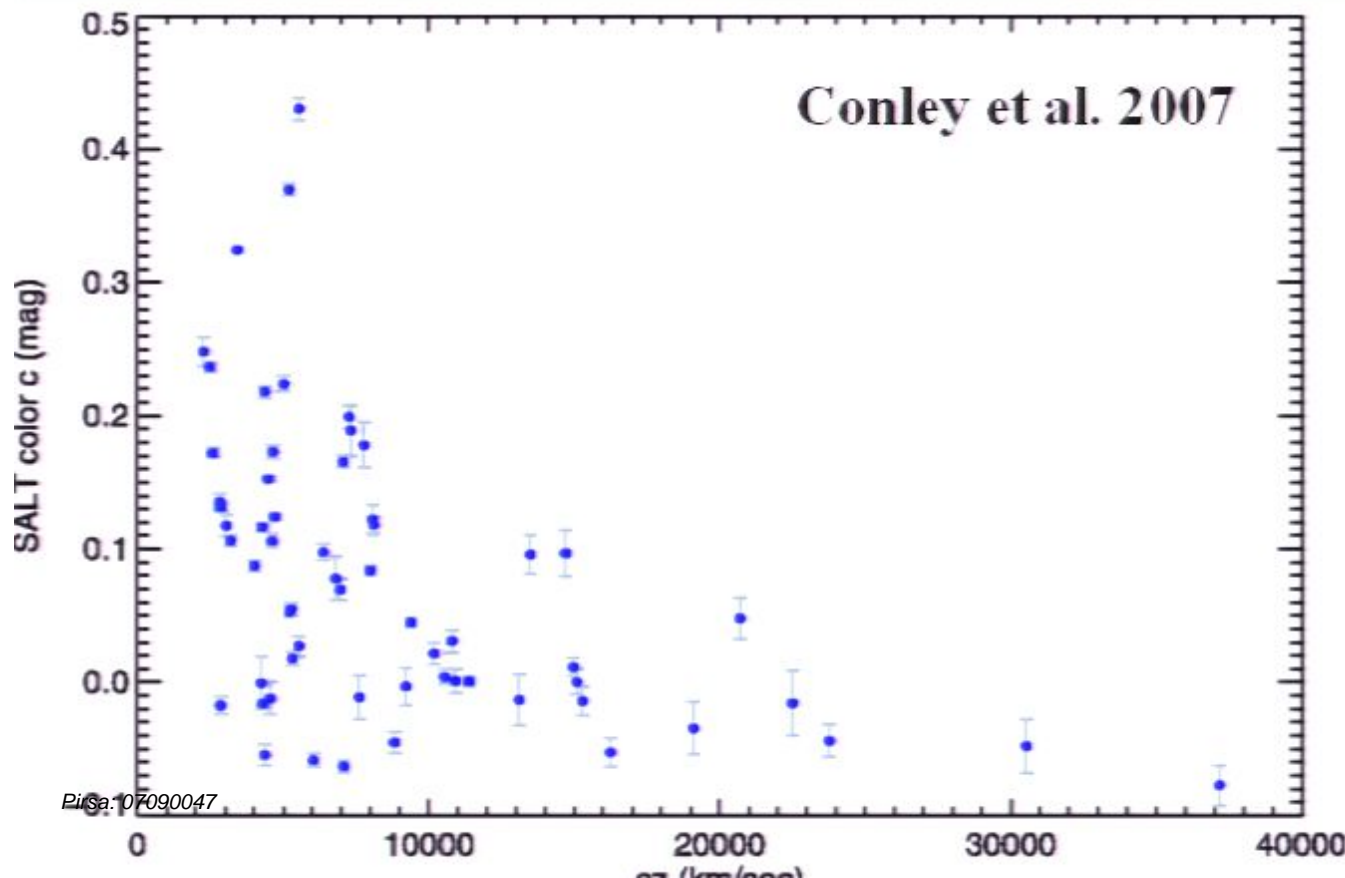
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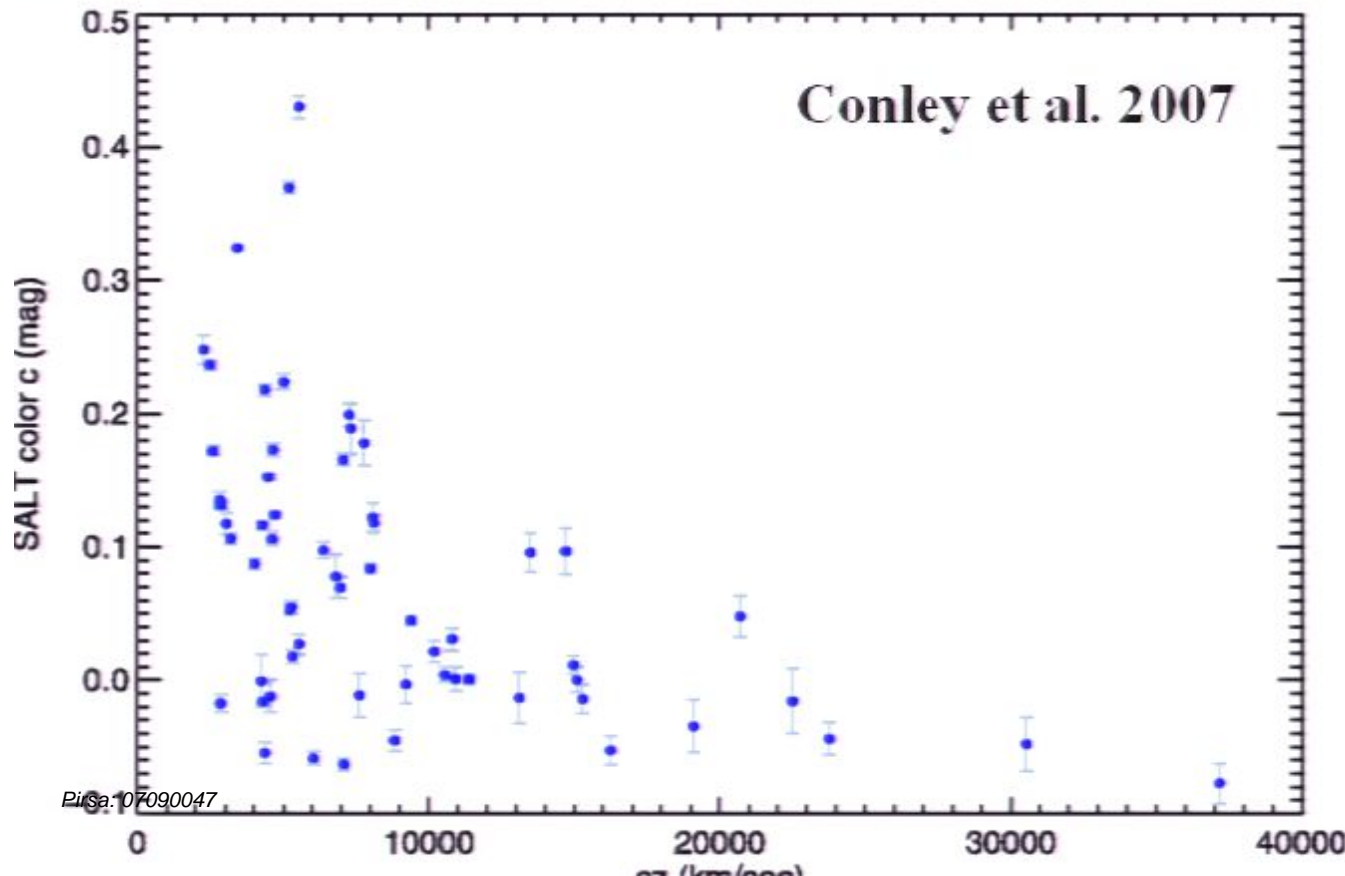
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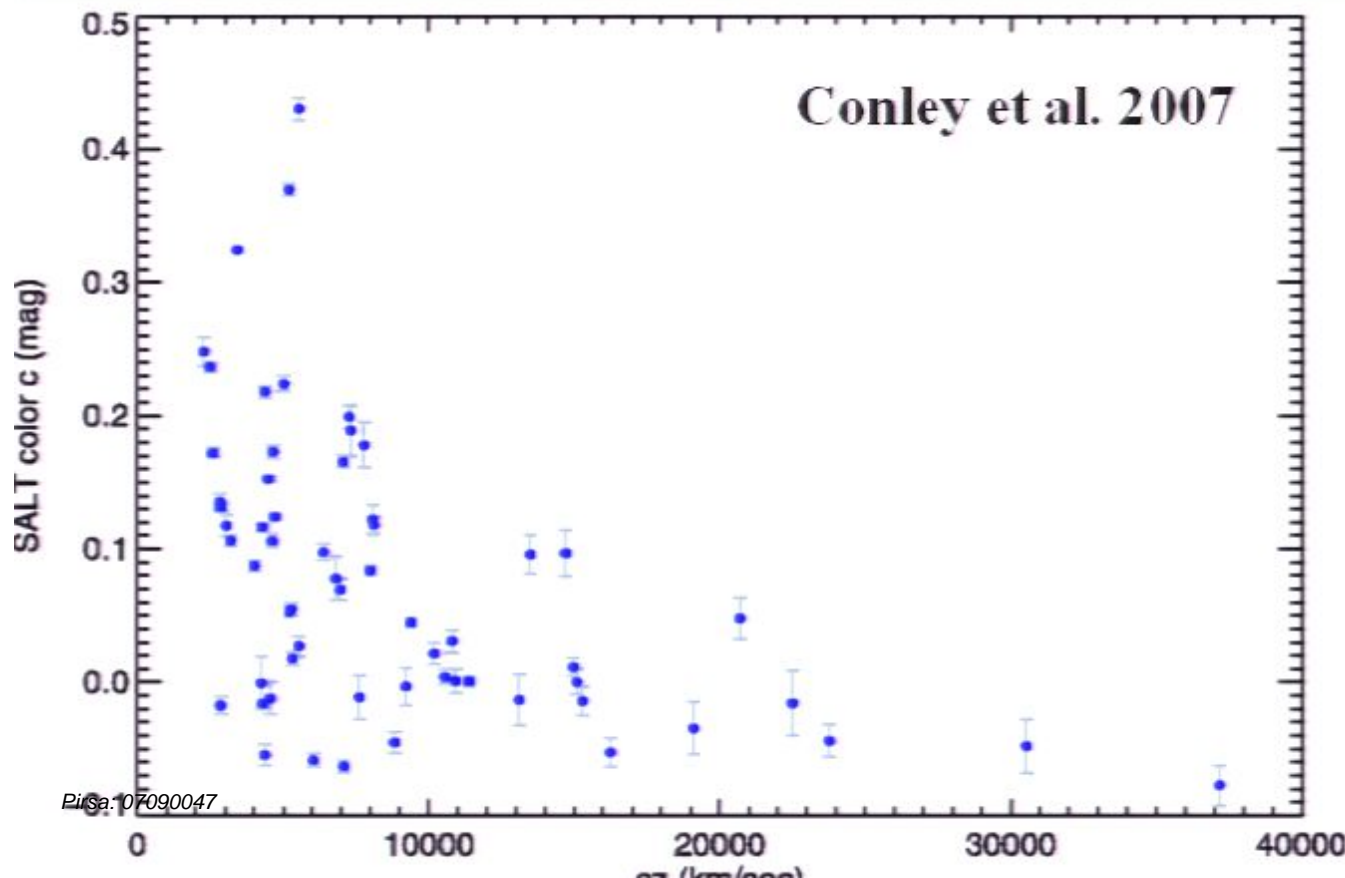
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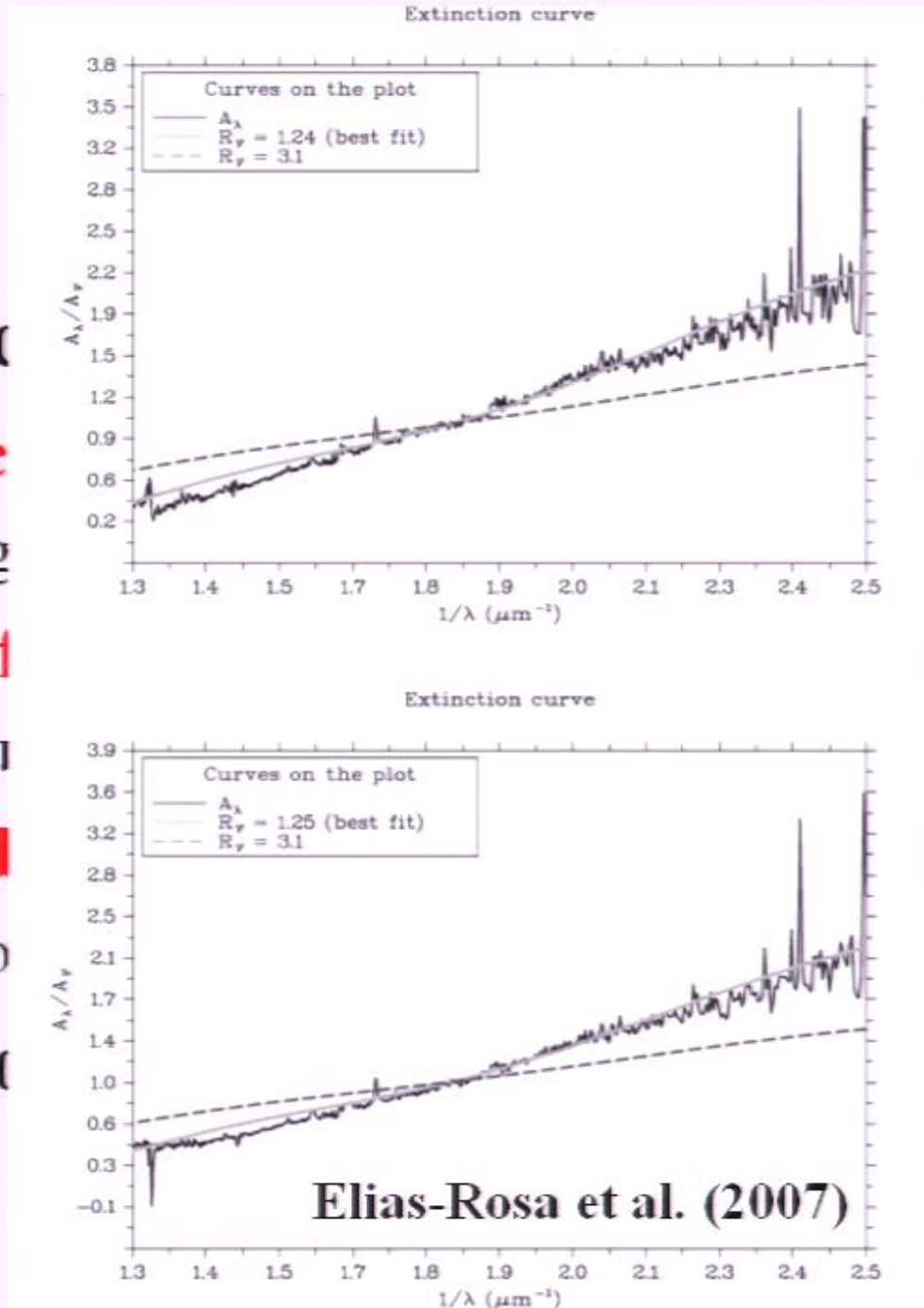
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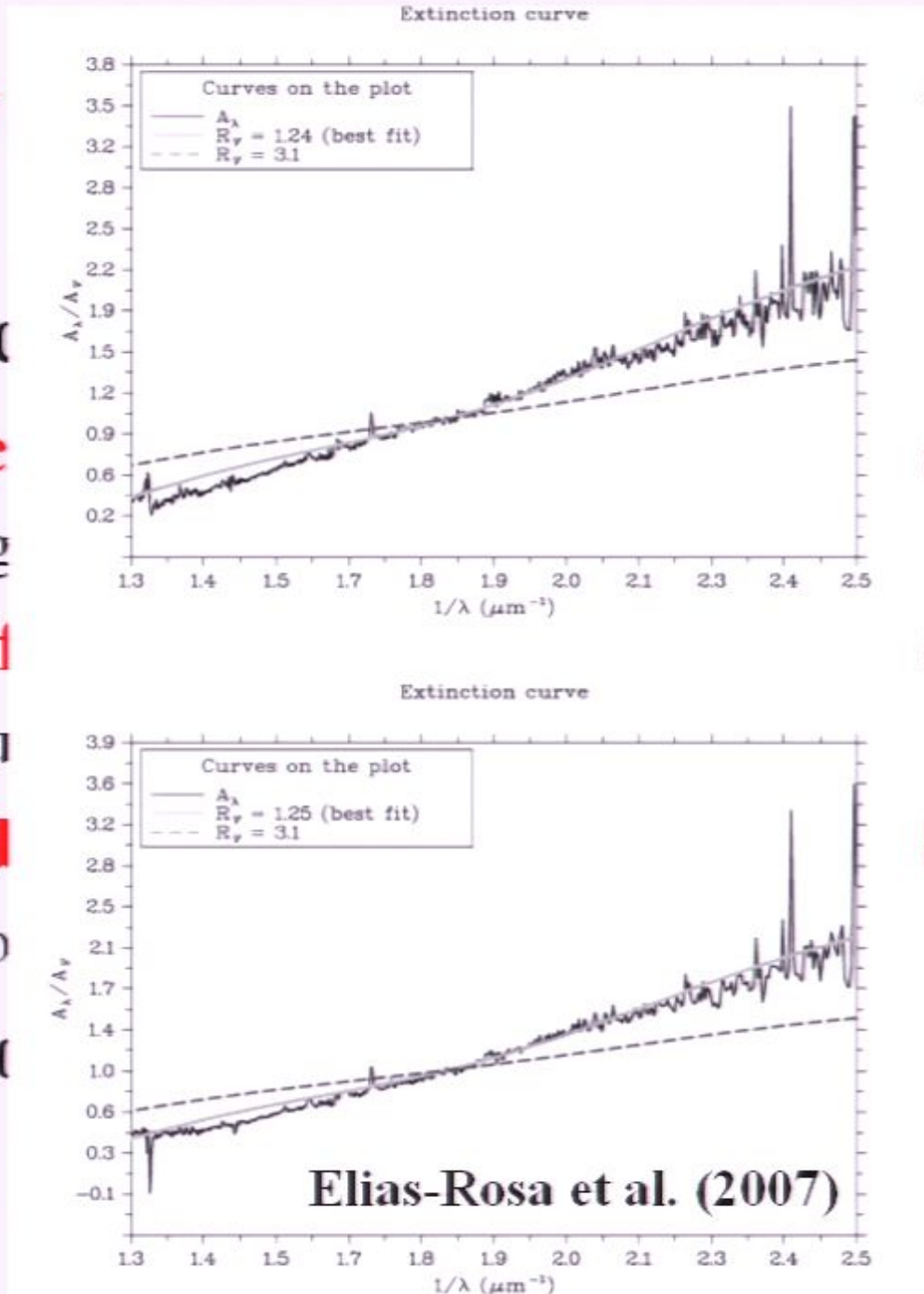
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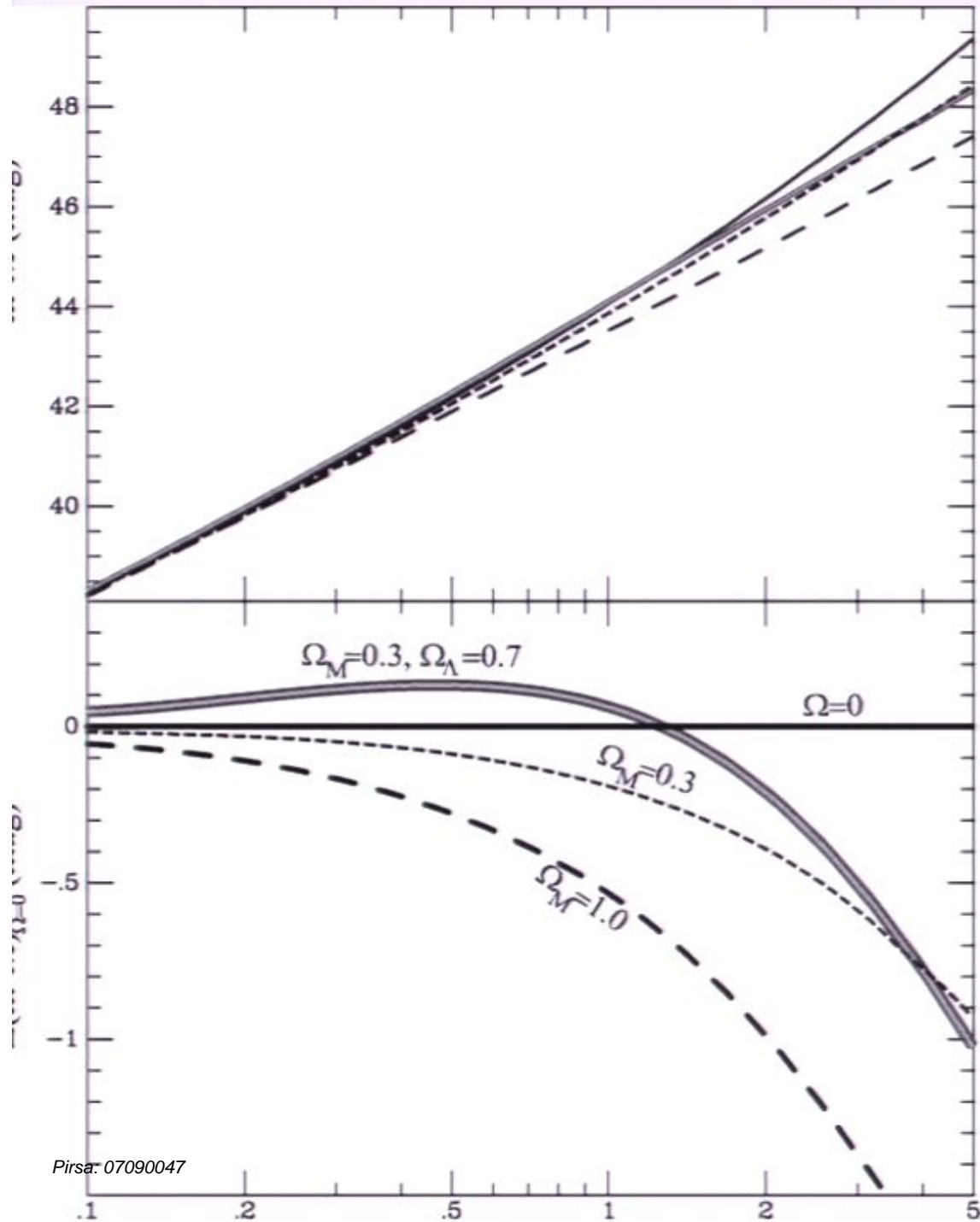
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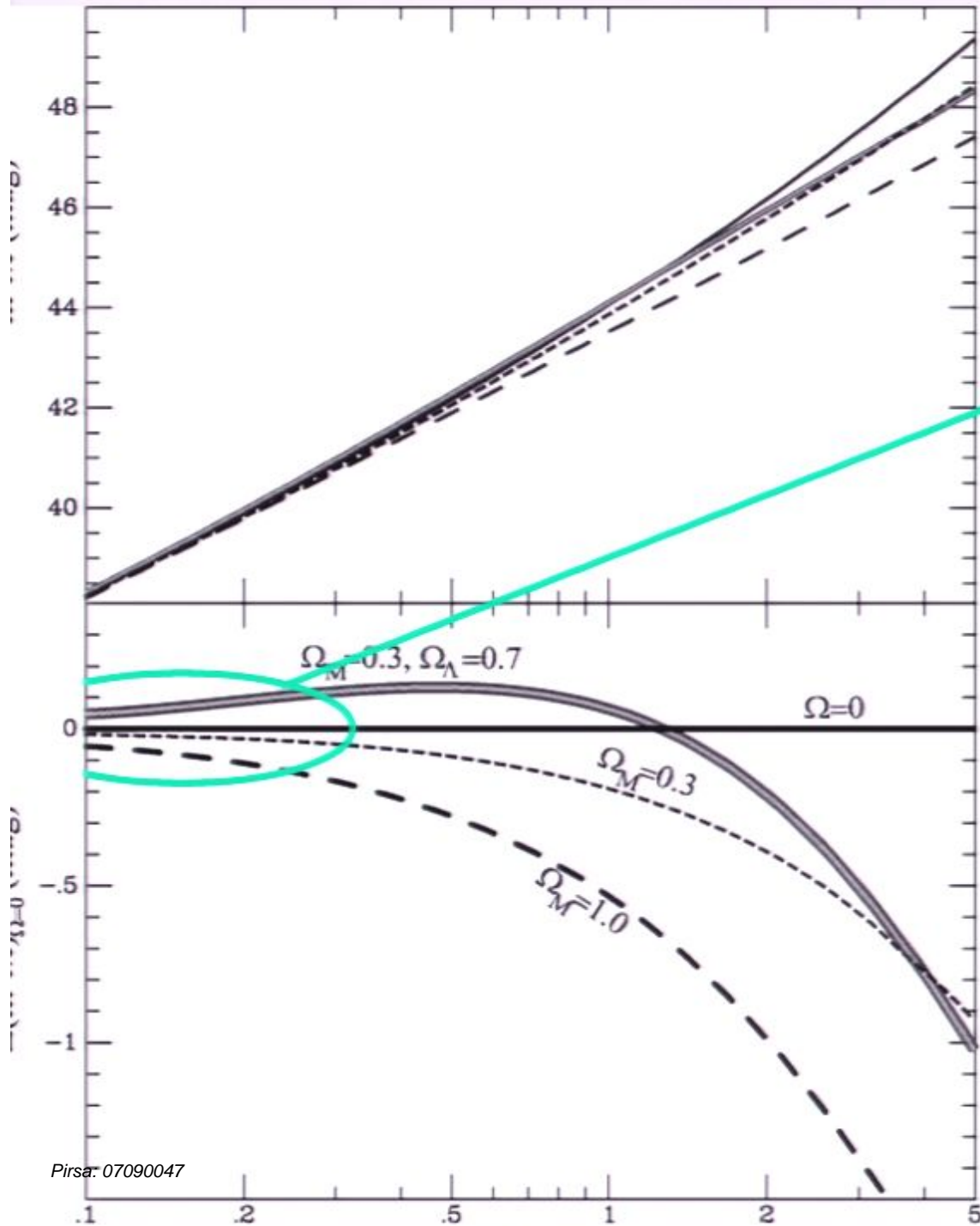
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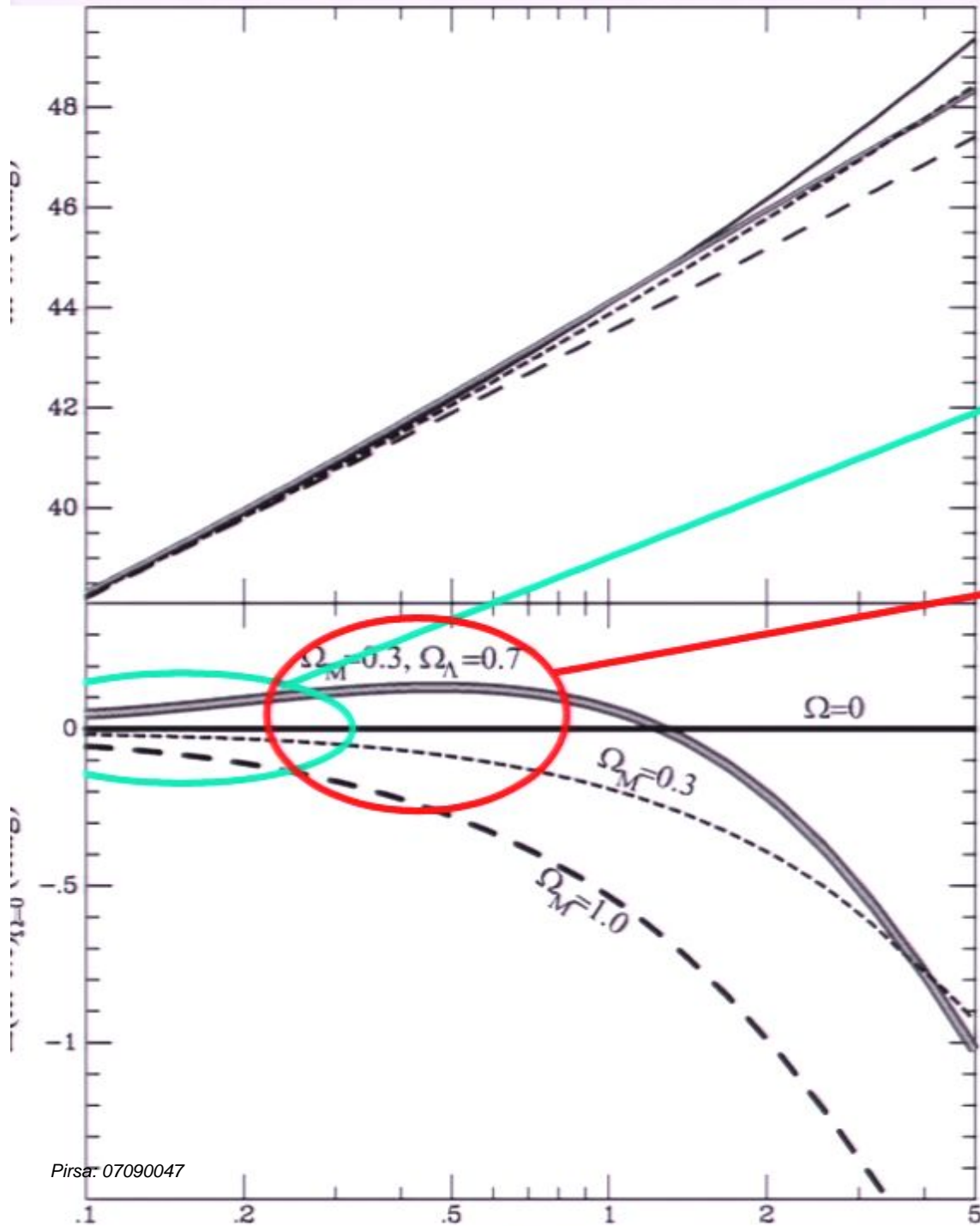


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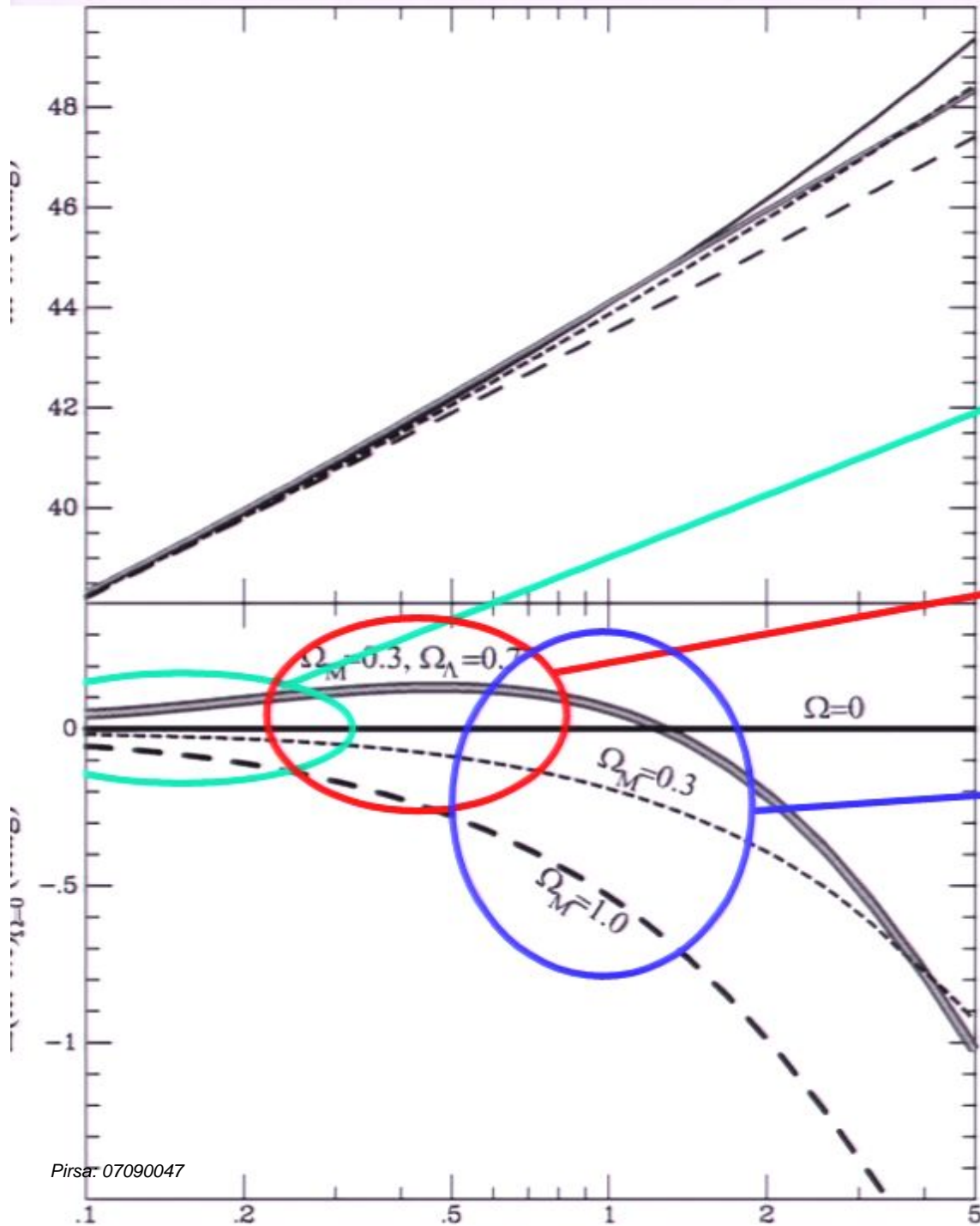
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**ESSENCE**  
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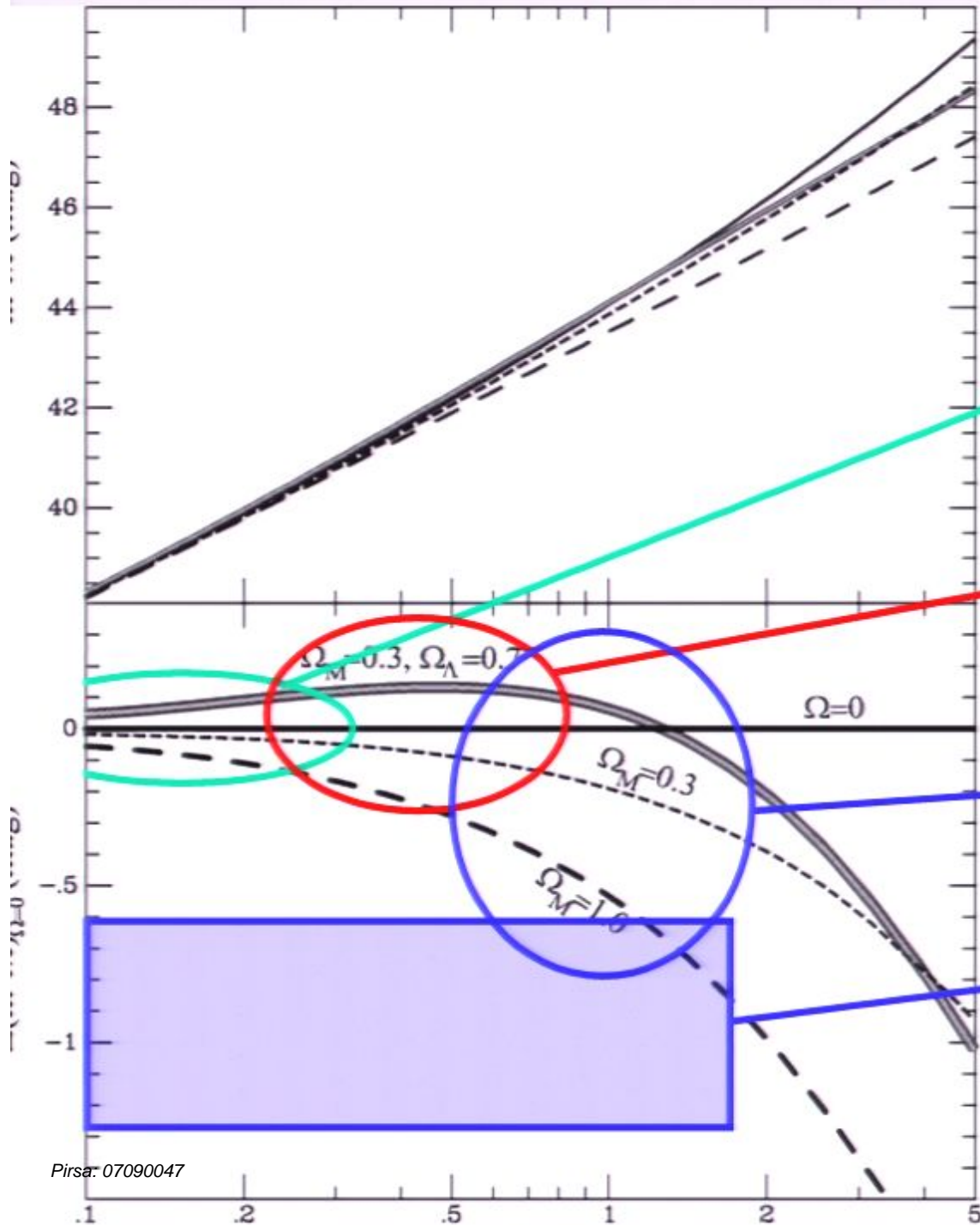


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(GOODS)

SNAP/LSST

Plus the local searches:  
LOTOSS, CfA, ESC

# The next steps

## At the end of 2008

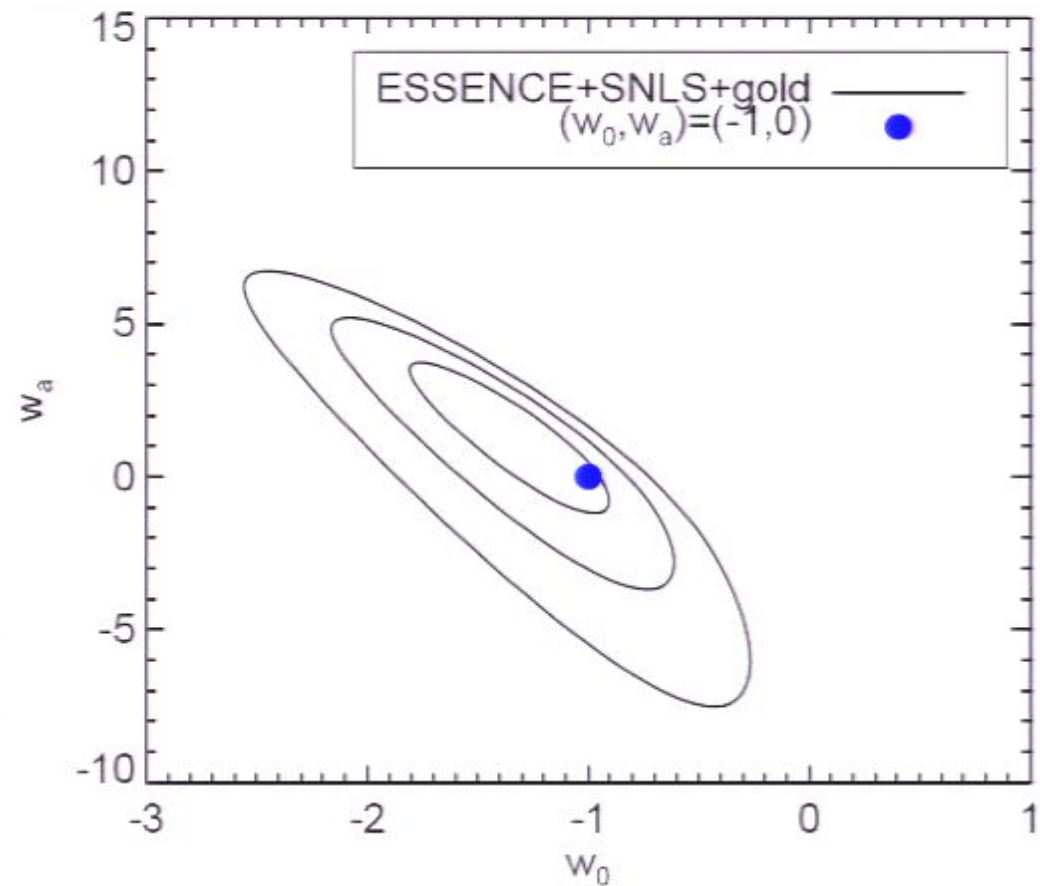
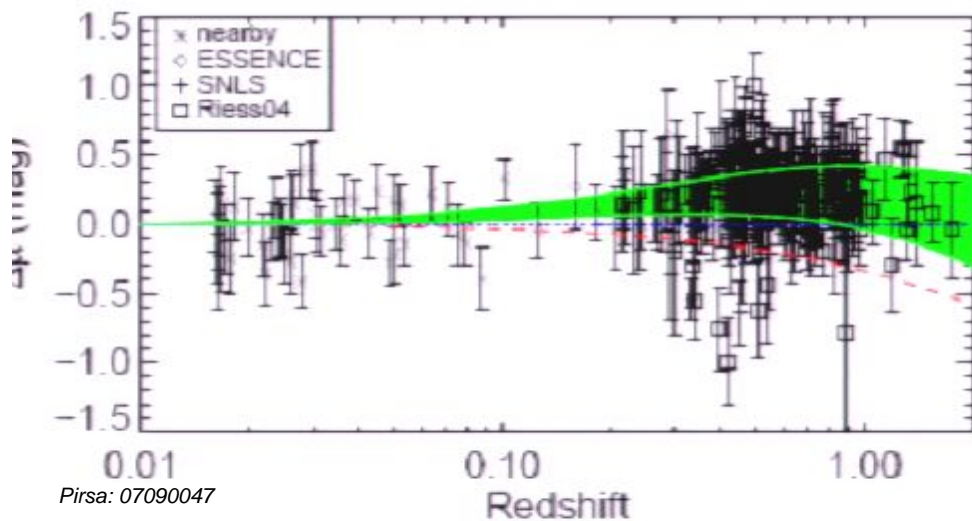
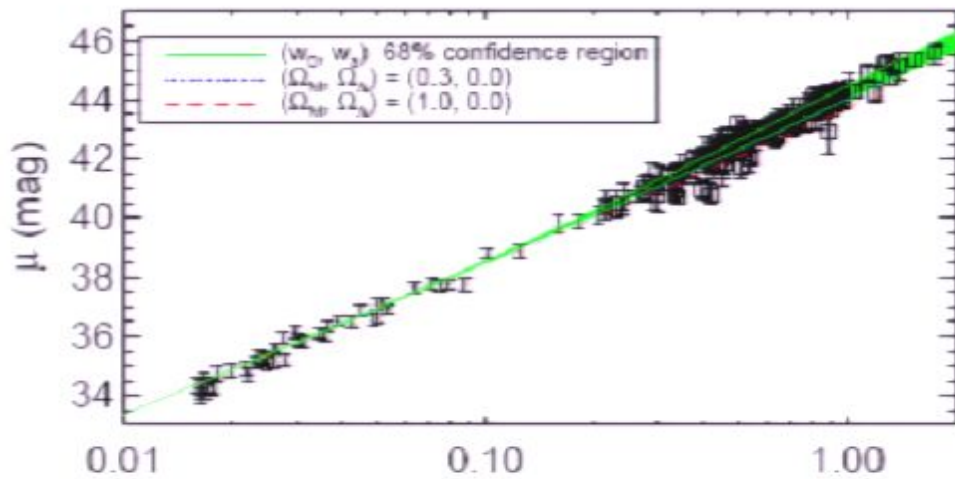
- **about 1000 SNe Ia for cosmology**
- **constant  $\omega$  determined to 5%**
- **accuracy dominated by systematic effects**
  - reddening, correlations, local field, evolution

## Test for variable $\omega$

- **required accuracy  $\sim 2\%$  in *individual distances***
- **can SNe Ia provide this?**
  - can the systematics be reduced to this level?
  - homogeneous photometry?
  - handle 10000 SNe Ia?



# Time variable $\omega$ ?



# Requirements

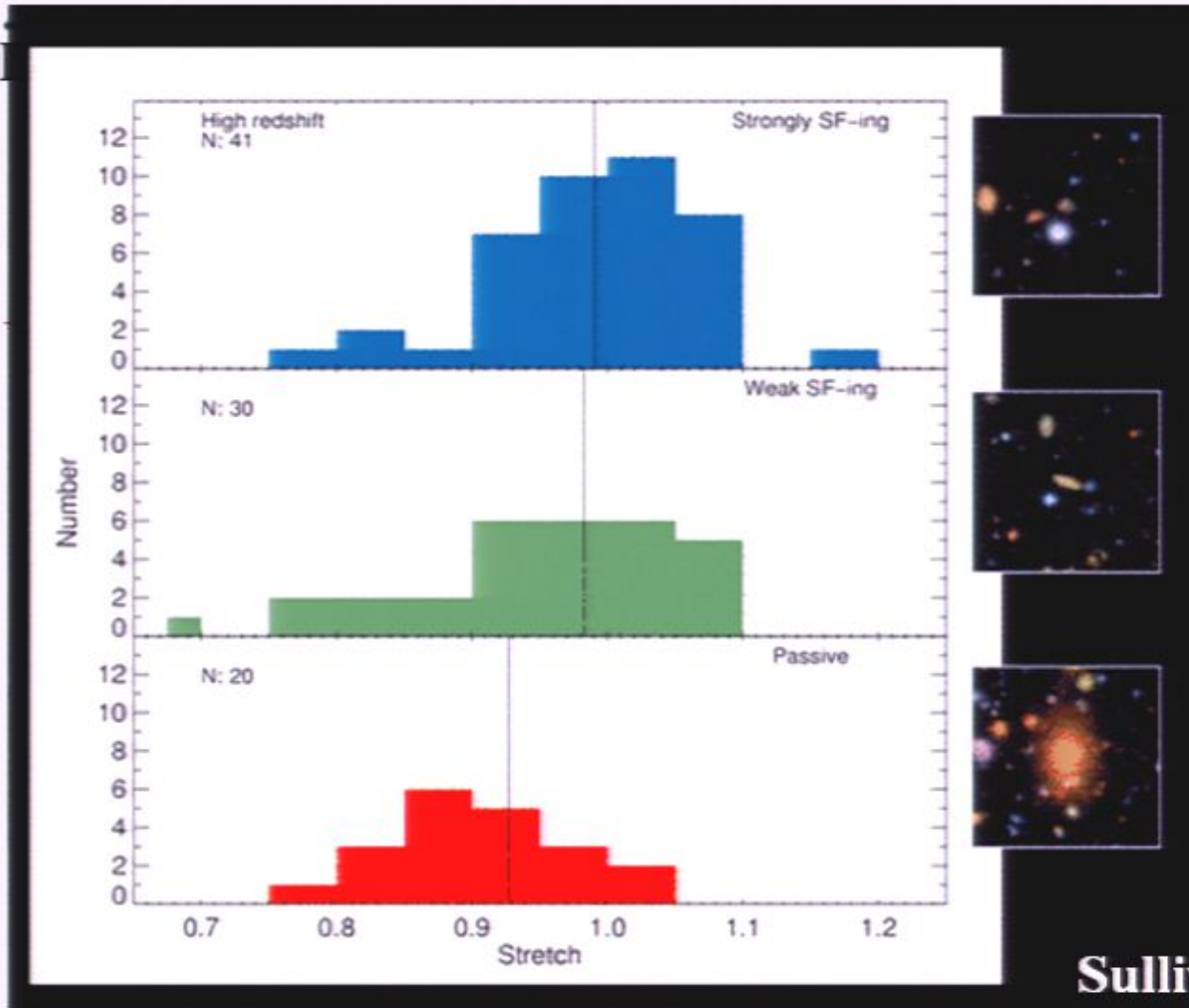
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Sullivan et al. 2006

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$$D_L = \frac{v}{H_0}$$
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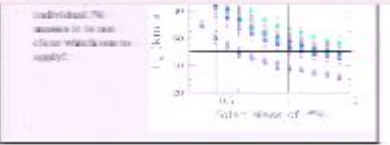
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... and the other side ...  
... energy deposited in the supernova ejecta ...  
**Fuel bolometric flux at maximum  $\dot{E}$  and the redshift  $z$  is observable**

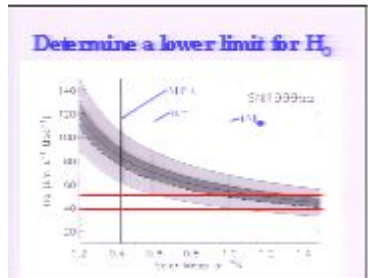
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**energy input is constant and fuel energy (i.e.  $\dot{E}$ ) is  $\dot{E}$**   
**Richelmeas from model**  
 **$\rightarrow$  uniquely defines the bolometric peak luminosity**

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**Ejecta masses from light curves**  
 $\gamma$ -ray escape depends on the total mass of the ejecta

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**Ejecta masses**  
Large range in nickel and ejecta masses

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**Type Ia Supernovae**  
Individual explosions

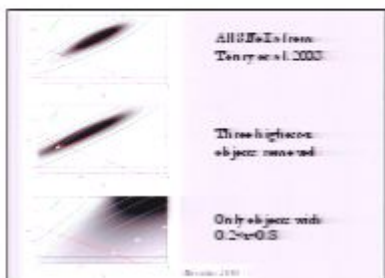
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**Standard SNe Ia?**  
What is the definition of a normal SNIa?

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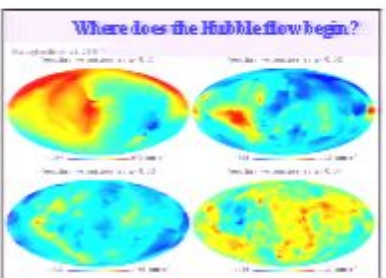
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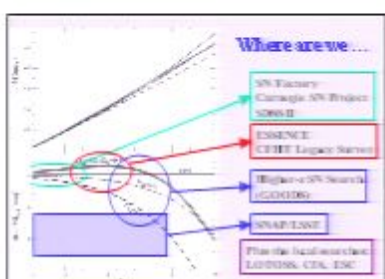
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Standard ...  
Fuel goes ...

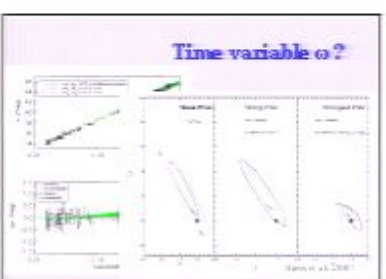
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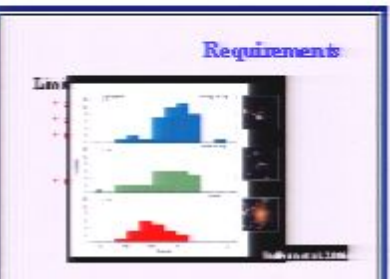
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**The next steps**  
At the end of 2008

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### The Astrophysics of Type Ia Supernova Cosmology

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### The SN Ia Hubble Diagram

Combination of ESSENCE, SDSS and nearby SNe Ia

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### Current surveys

**ESSENCE**

- Leibundgut et al. 2006 - 70 distant SNe Ia
- various papers describing spectroscopy (Lidman et al. 2006; Hicken et al. 2006; Braxton et al. 2006); photometry (Cobb et al. 2006) and individual SNe (Basson et al. 2006)

**ESSENCE2**

- Wood-Vasey et al. 2007 - 60 distant SNe Ia
- Mazzuca et al. 2007 - description of the survey
- Smith et al. 2007 - comparison to nearby dark energy prospects
- spectroscopy (Mazzuca et al. 2005; Wood et al. 2006)

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### Cosmology results

**SDSS 1<sup>st</sup> year (Astier et al. 2006)**

- 714 nearby SNe Ia
- spectroscopy and photometry with SDSS results
- $\Omega_m = 0.27 \pm 0.03$  (over  $\pm 0.007$  (stat))
- $w = -1.07 \pm 0.09$  (over  $\pm 0.054$  (stat))

**ESSENCE 3 years (Wood-Vasey et al. 2007)**

- 604 nearby SNe Ia
- plus 40 nearby SNe Ia, plus 27 SNe Ia from SDSS 1<sup>st</sup> year
- full spectroscopy and photometry with SDSS
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### Systematics table

| Systematic            | ESSENCE      | SDSS         |
|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Photometry            | 0.005        | 0.005        |
| Color                 | 0.005        | 0.005        |
| Light curve           | 0.005        | 0.005        |
| Redshift              | 0.005        | 0.005        |
| Selection             | 0.005        | 0.005        |
| Modeling              | 0.005        | 0.005        |
| Evolution             | 0.005        | 0.005        |
| Absorption            | 0.005        | 0.005        |
| Local expansion field | 0.005        | 0.005        |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>0.015</b> | <b>0.015</b> |

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### The currently most complete SN Ia sample

(Leibundgut et al. 2007)

Collected all visible distant SNe Ia

- Astier et al. (2004)
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- Wood-Vasey et al. (2007)

→ 23 SNe Ia with  $z > 1$

→ total of 102 SNe Ia with  $z > 0.0233$  ( $v > 7000$  km/s)

Lower redshift limit is as a safety factor:

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### SN Ia Hubble Diagram

Leibundgut et al. 2007

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### Analysis

Check for acceleration, i.e.  $\ddot{H}(z)$  (model independent)

Leibundgut et al. 2007

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### Analysis

Reconstruct  $w(z)$  from the data following Huterer & Cooney (2005)

Construct model independent redshift bins at 0.25, 0.75 and 1.25 and compare results

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### Comparison to other models

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### Astrophysics

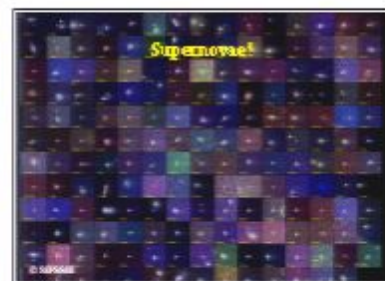
To measure cosmological parameters (distances) you need to:

- understand your source
- understand what can affect the light on its path on the observer (to regress out)
- have your local environment

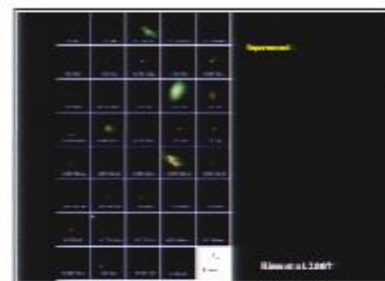
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### Systematics of SNe Ia

[The length of the list indicates the maturity of the field and is the result of more than a decade of consistency.

### Know your source

Type Ia Supernovae

- core-fused sources
- interacting physics
- progenitor scenarios
- detect in the global perspective of the population

### Supernova classification

Leibundgut et al. 2007

### Supernovae as 'standard candles'

Uniform appearance

- light curves
- color curves
- spectra
- expansion velocities



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| Extinction | 0.005   | 0.005 |
| Galaxy     | 0.005   | 0.005 |
| Pointing   | 0.005   | 0.005 |
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- Astier et al. (2005)
- Wood-Vasey et al. (2007)

→ 23 SNe Ia with  $z > 1$

→ total of 102 SNe Ia with  $z > 0.0233$  ( $v = 7000$  km/s)

Lower redshift limit is a safety factor:

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### SN Ia Hubble Diagram

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### Analysis

Check for acceleration, i.e.  $\ddot{H}(z)$  (model independent)

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Reconstruct  $v(z)$  from the data following Huterer & Cooray (2005)

Constraint: independent redshift bins at  $z=0.25, 0.70$  and  $1.25$  and compare results

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### Comparison to other models

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### Astrophysics

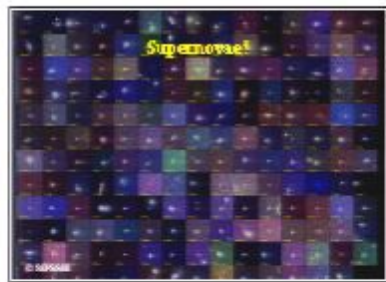
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- understand your source
- understand what can affect the light on its path on its way to us (to us, or to us, or to us)
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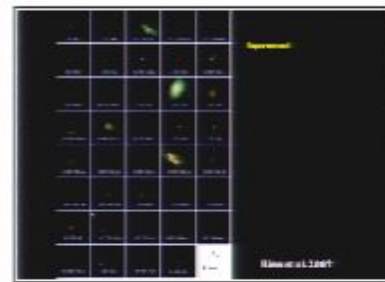
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### Systematics

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[The length of the list indicates the maturity of the field, and is the result of more than a decade of consistency.

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Type Ia Supernovae

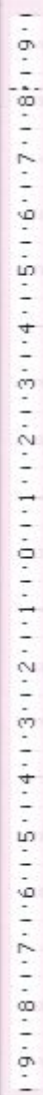
- core collapsed sources
- interacting physics
- progenitor systems
- distance to the galaxy (to measure the distance)
- host galaxy type (to determine the environment)

### Supernova classification

### Supernovae as 'standard candles'

Uniform appearance

- light curves
- individual differences
- heterogeneity
- color-magnitude diagrams
- redshifts
- spectra
- formation



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