

Stellar explosions
as sources of
gravitational waves
illustrated by
the dynamics of a fountain



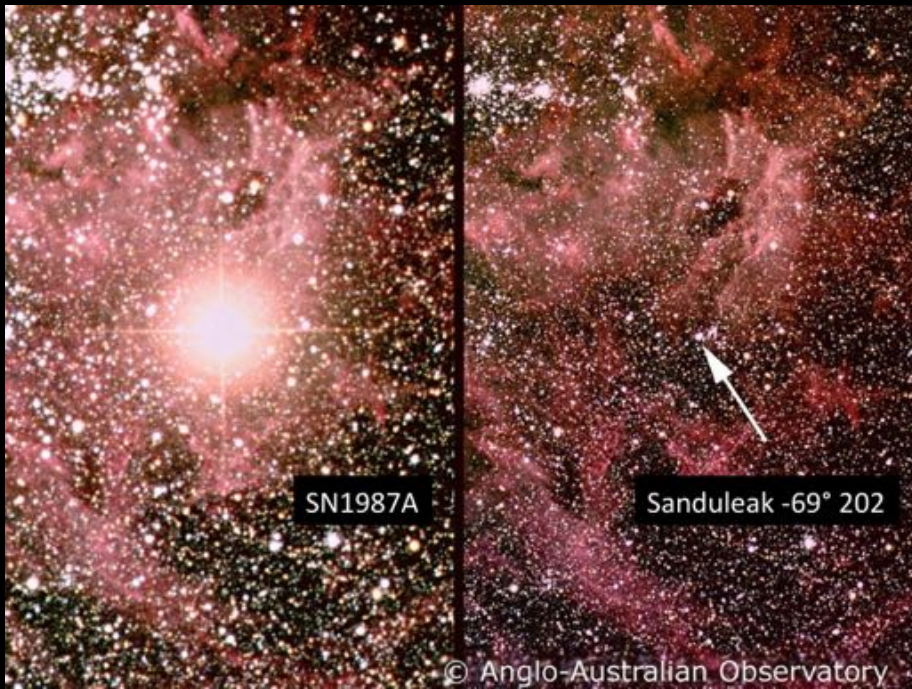
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A supernova fountain for public outreach

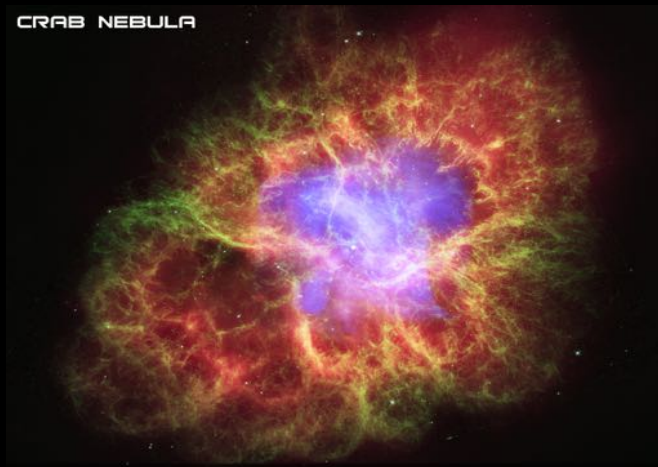


Astrophysical questions

- why should a spherical star explode sideways?
- why are neutron stars so fast at birth?
- can a neutron star spin be opposite to its parent star?



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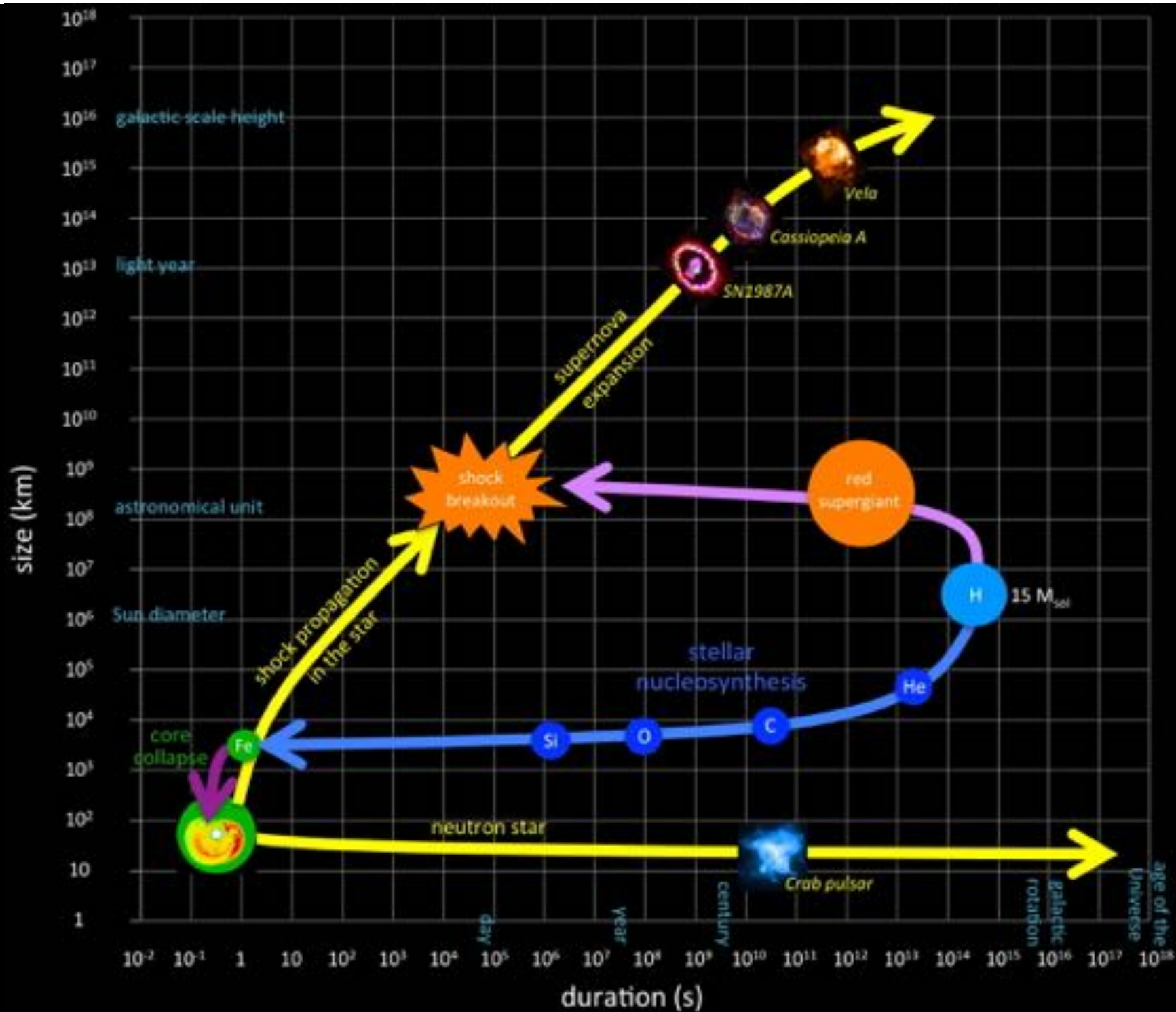


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Physical concepts

- fluid mechanics and scales
- shock waves and hydraulic jumps
- energy conversion: potential, kinetic
- conservation of momentum: linear, angular
- instabilities



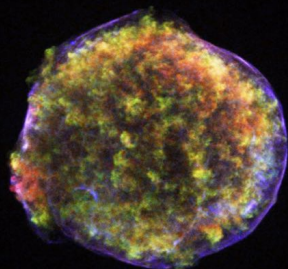


Supernovae remnants



SN 1006

thermonuclear
supernovae
(24%)



Tycho (1572)

thermonuclear fusion of
a $1.4M_{\text{sol}}$ white dwarf

C,O → ejected elements
from C to Fe



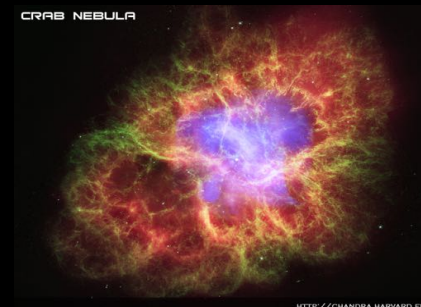
Kepler (1604)

core-collapse
supernovae
(76%)

collapse of
a $1.4M_{\text{sol}}$ core
of a massive star $8-40M_{\text{sol}}$

Fe core → neutron star

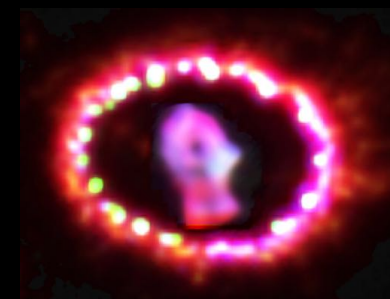
stellar envelope → ejected
elements from H to Ag



Crab (1054)



Cassiopeia A (~1680)



SN1987A

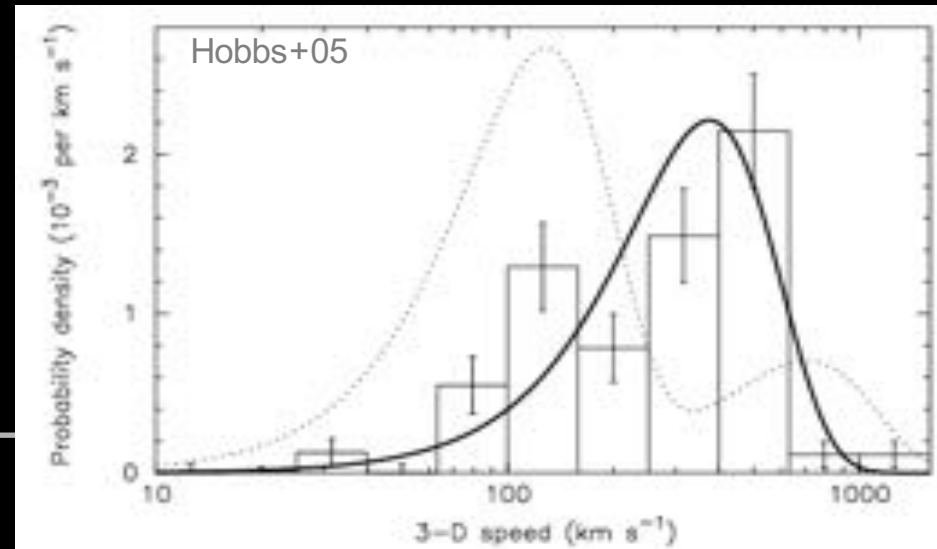
The high velocities of neutron stars suggest an asymmetric supernova explosion



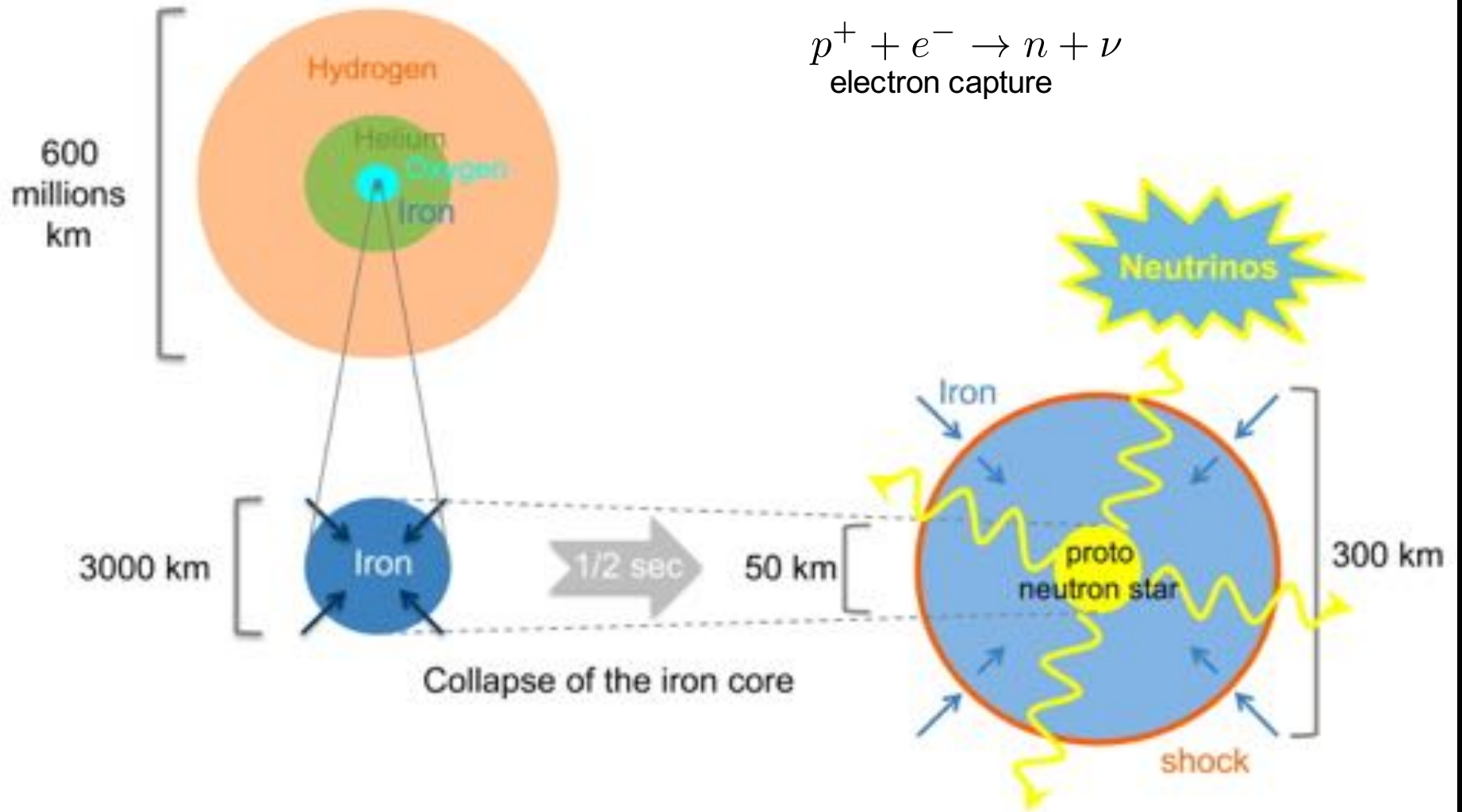
Chatterjee & Cordes 03

pulsar in the guitar nebula $> 1000 \text{ km/s}$

typical stellar velocities: $20\text{-}30 \text{ km/s}$
typical pulsar velocities: $200\text{-}300 \text{ km/s}$

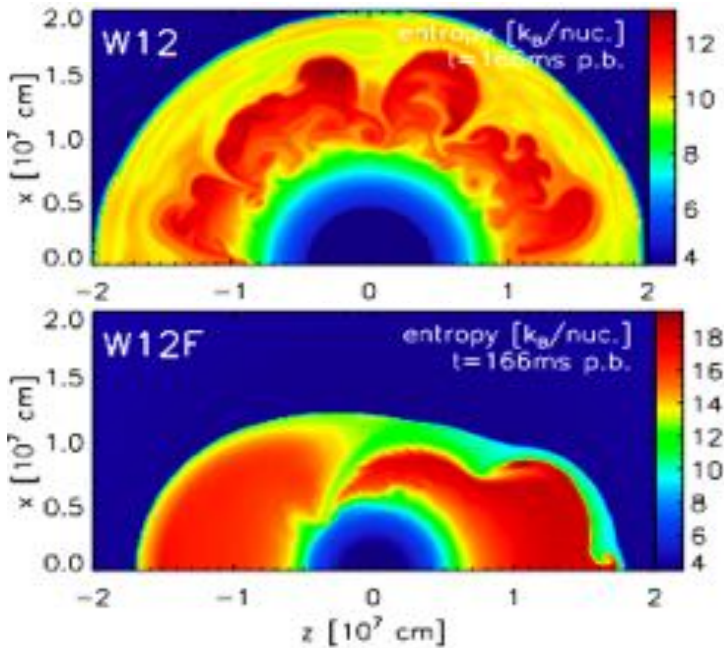
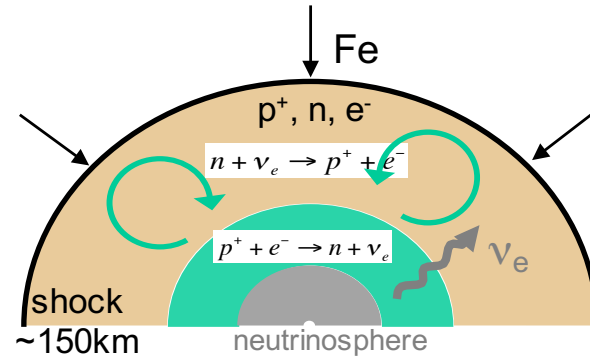


Massive star $15M_{\text{sol}}$





2 instabilities during the phase of stalled accretion shock

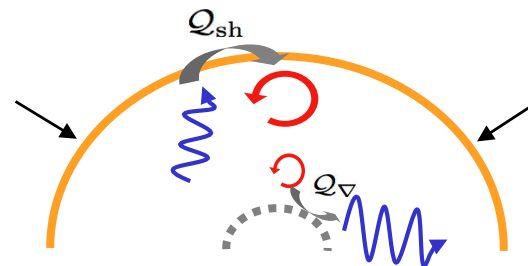


Neutrino-driven convection:

rising bubbles heated up by neutrino absorption

Standing Accretion Shock Instability (SASI):

interaction of acoustic waves and vortices

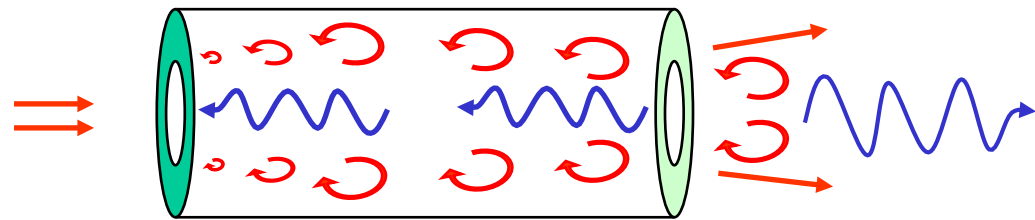


aeroacoustic instabilities

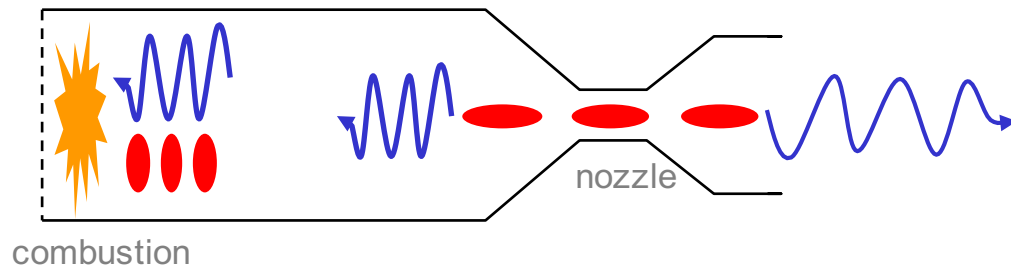
- advected perturbations
- acoustic feedback



• vortical-acoustic cycle

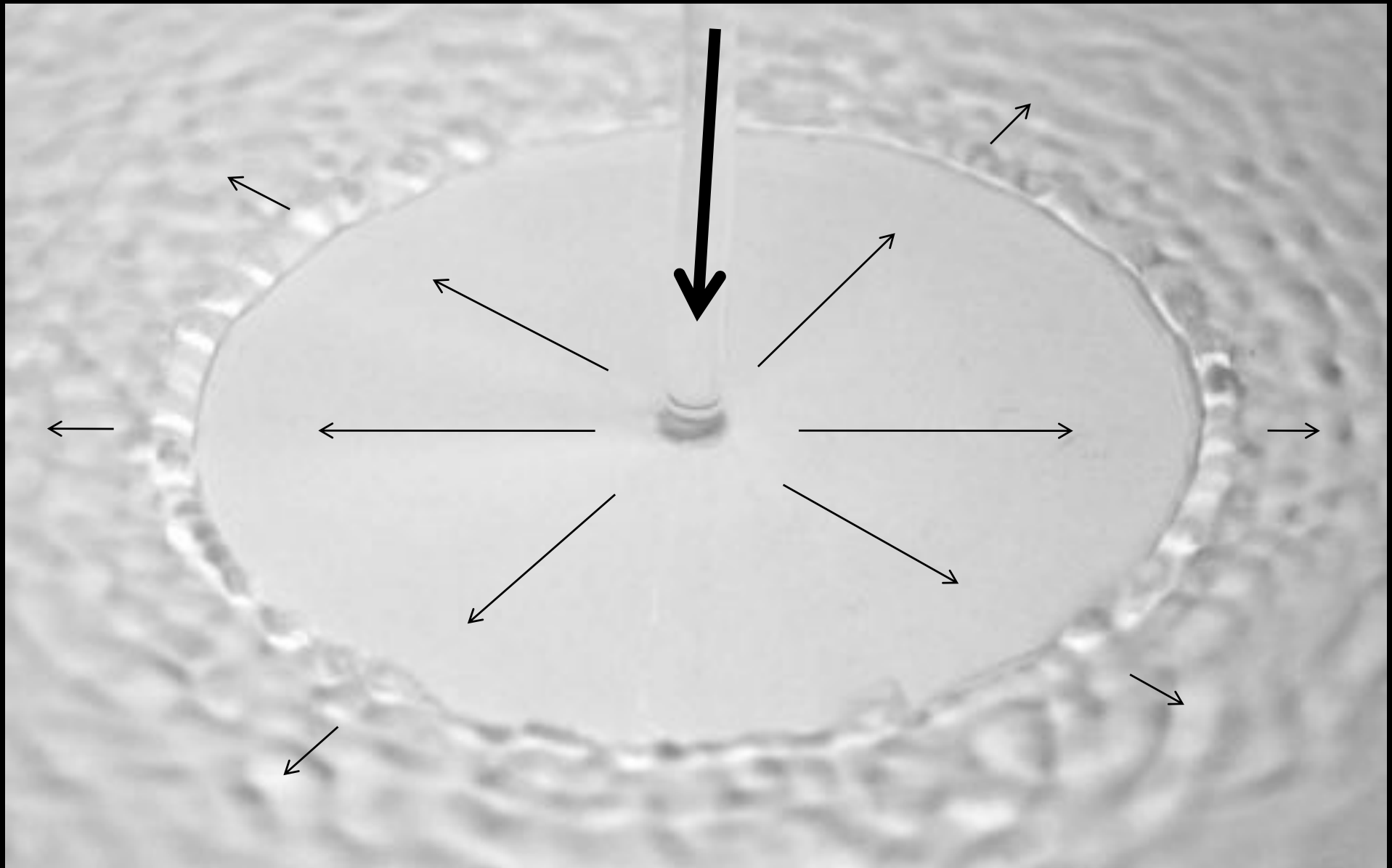


• entropic-acoustic cycle



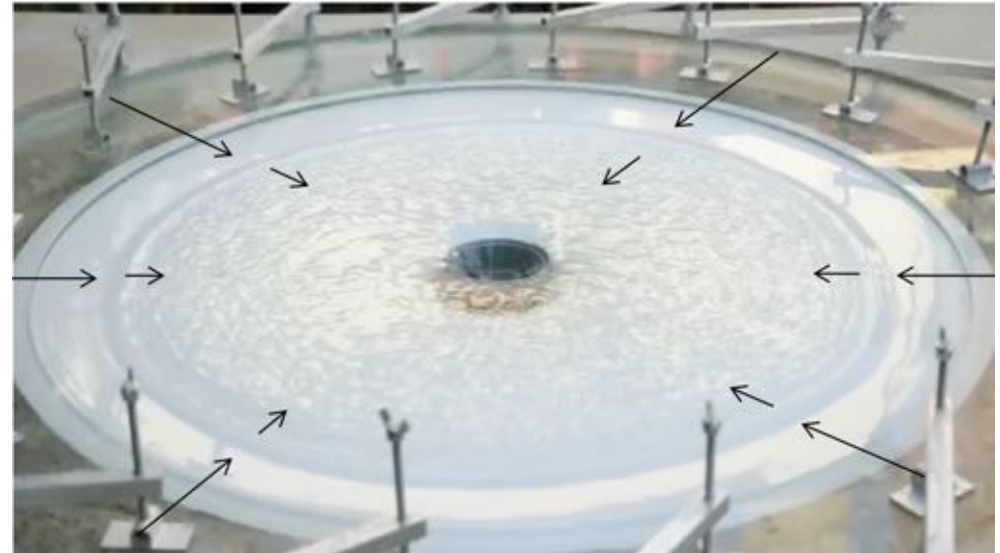
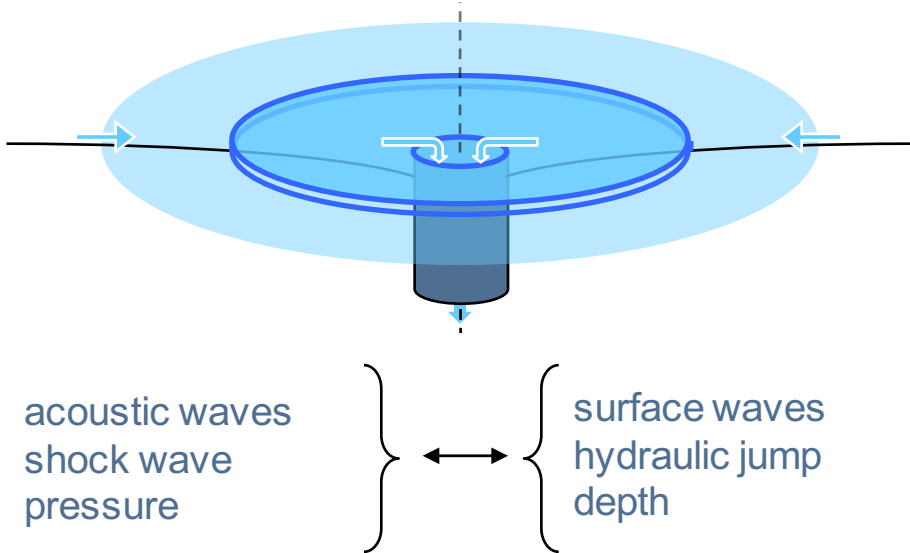
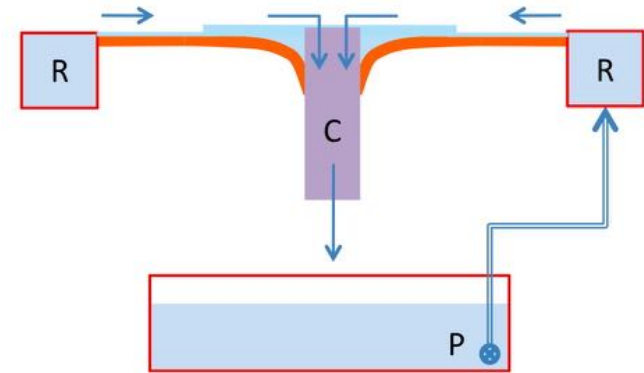
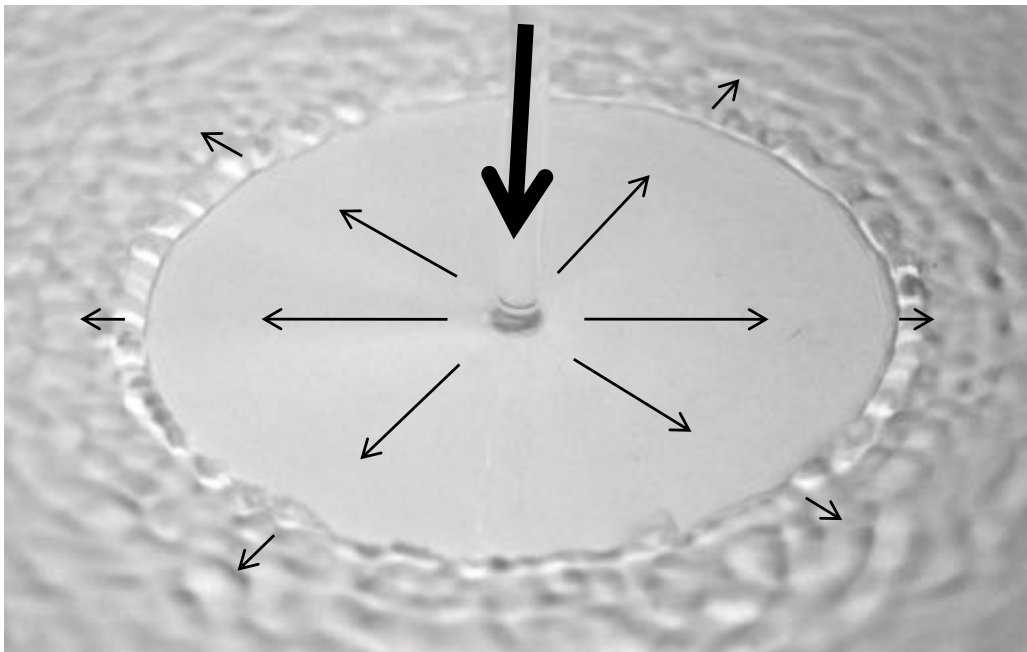
ramjet rumble instability
Abouseif, Keklak & Toong 84

Hydraulic jumps and shock waves



SWASI: an experimental analogue of SASI

Shallow Water Analogue of a Shock Instability



SWASI: simple as a garden experiment

November 2010



October 2010



June 2010



May 2010

February 2012



November 2013



June 2014

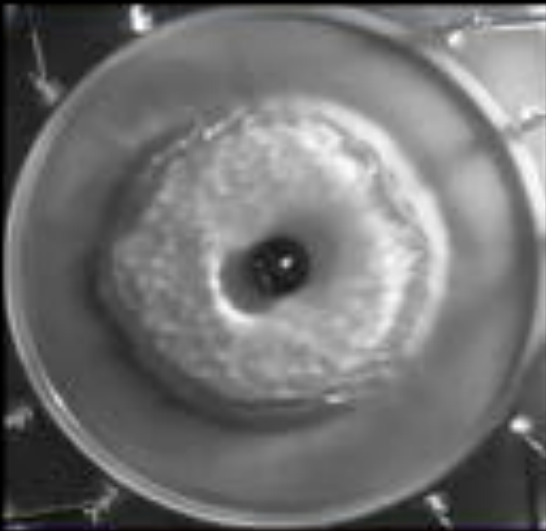


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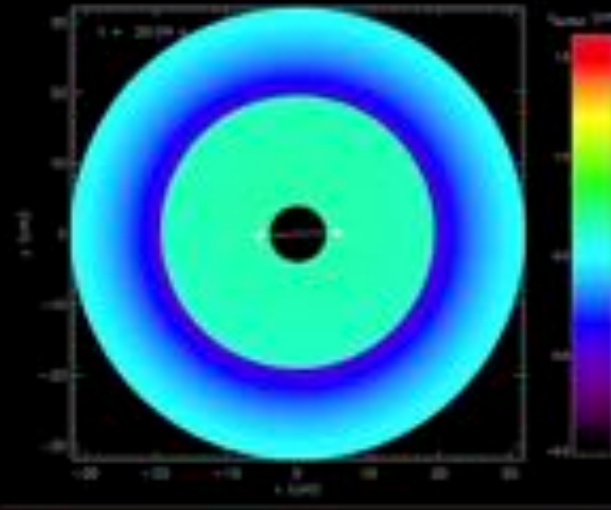
Dynamics of water in the fountain

Dynamics of the gas in the supernova core

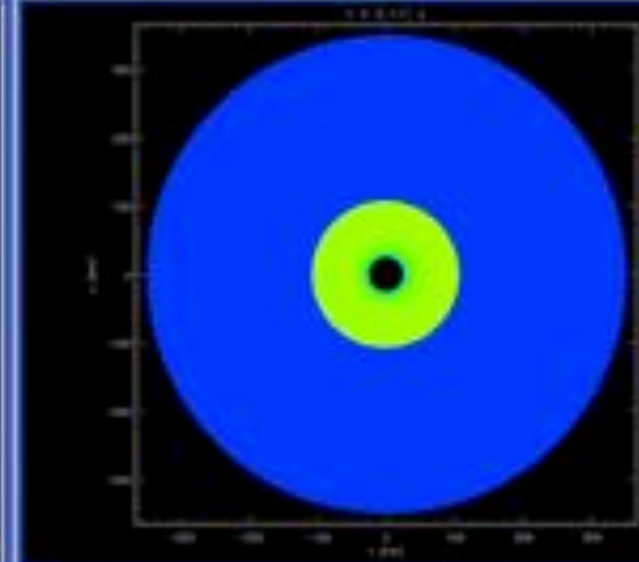
diameter 40cm ← 1 000 000 x bigger → diameter 400km
3s/oscillation ← 100 x faster → 0.03s/oscillation



Expérience hydraulique



Simulation numérique de l'expérience hydraulique



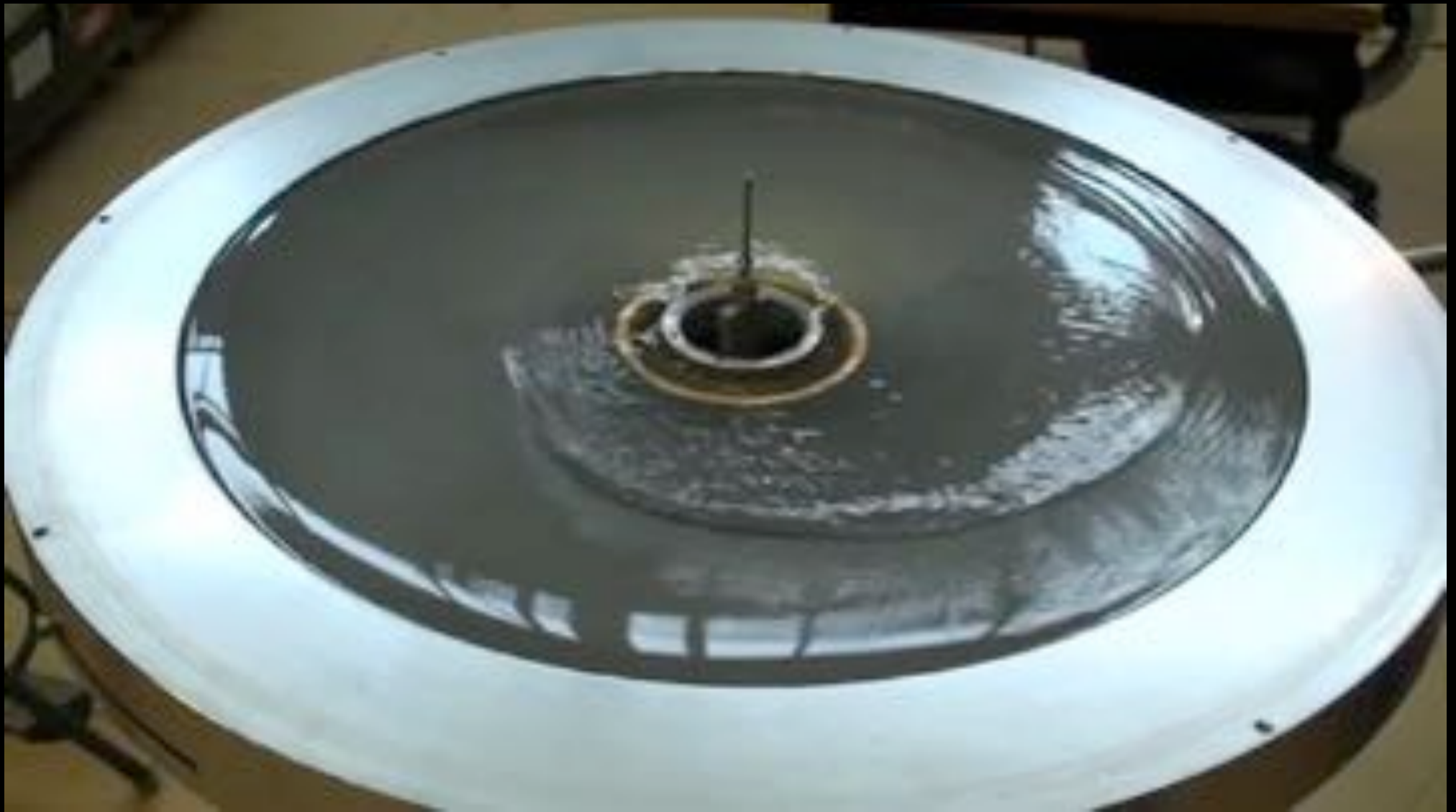
*Simulation numérique de l'onde de choc
dans le cœur de la supernova*



Rotating progenitor: the accreted angular momentum changes its sign
as SASI grows



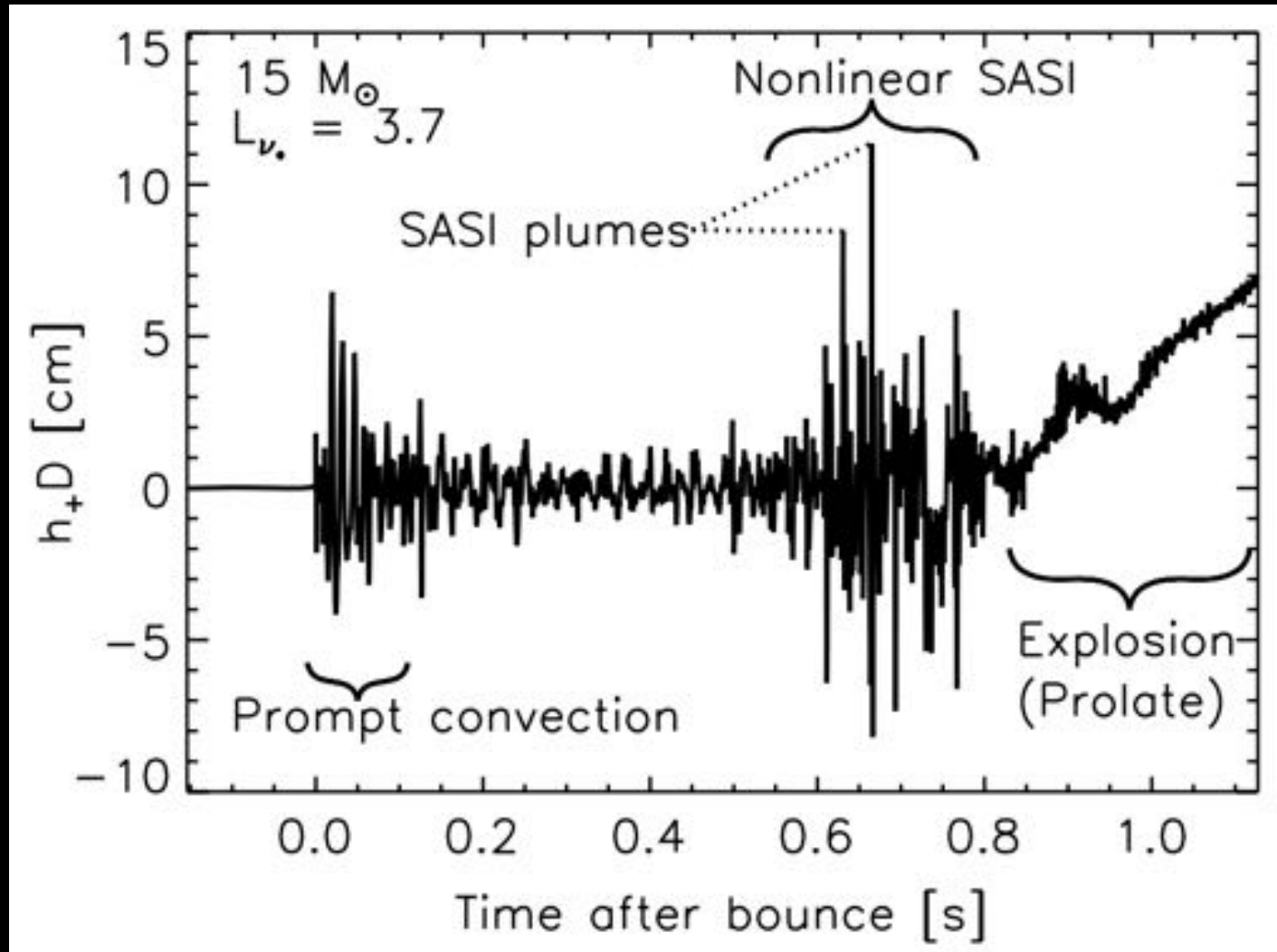
faster rotation : another instability associated to differential rotation



even faster rotation: centrifugal limit, also unstable



Gravitational wave signatures from supernovae



Murphy+09

Gravitational waves signatures from non axisymmetric features

Low T/W spiral modes of fast spinning cores produce strong gravitational waves (e.g. Hayama+15)

The SASI induced GW signal is sensitive to

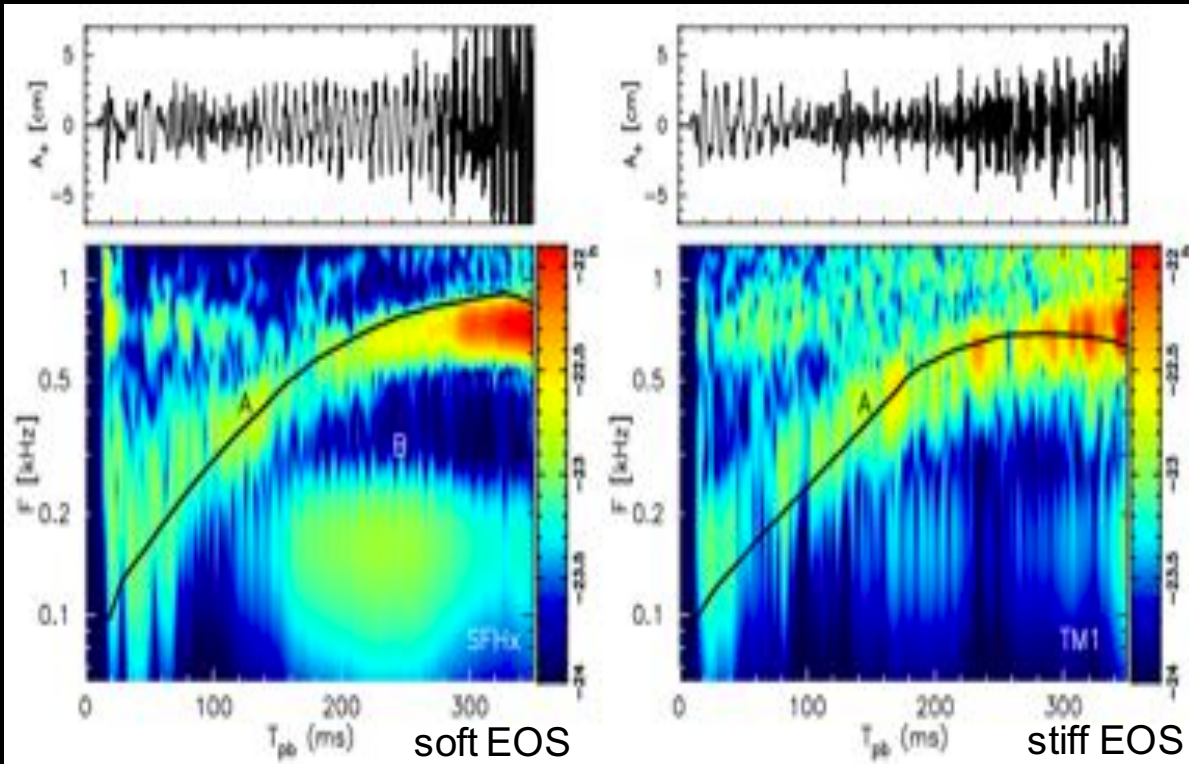
- the compactness of the core,
- the equation of state,
- the rotation rate.

detection by LIGO, KAGRA for a non rotating galactic supernova at 10kpc:

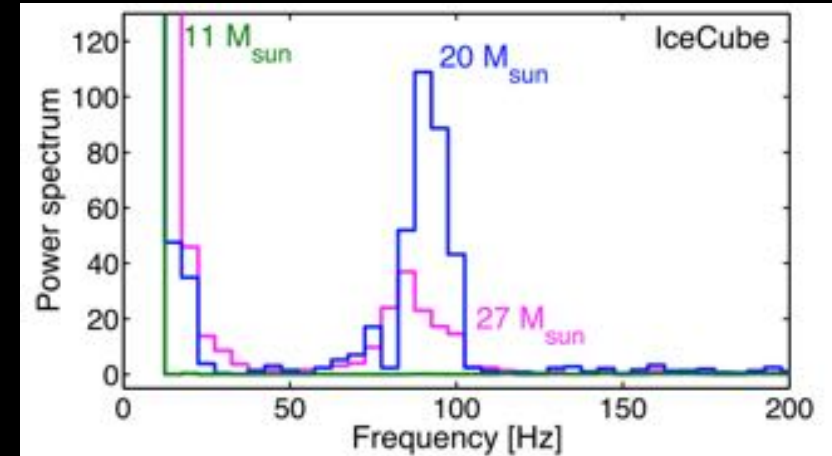
g-mode activity with S/N=10
SASI activity with S/N~50

combination with neutrino detection

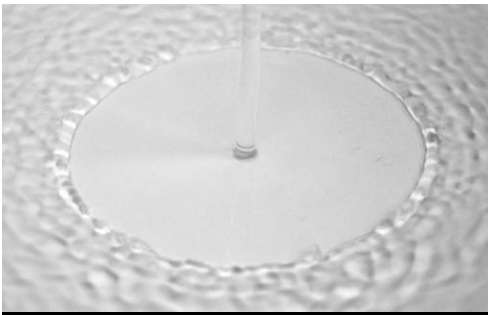
Kuroda+16



A: NS g-mode oscillations (600-700Hz)
B: SASI activity (100-200Hz)



Conclusion



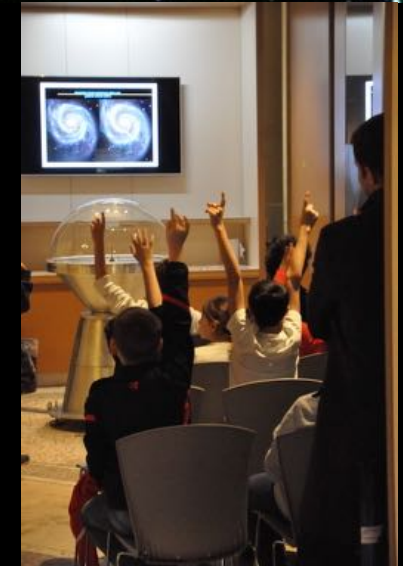
Massive stars end their life when their iron core is too massive. Its collapse leads to the birth of a **neutron star** or a **black hole**, and the ejection of their envelope visible as a **supernova**

Numerical models indicate that **hydrodynamical instabilities** break the spherical symmetry: these motions generate gravitational waves and neutrinos which detection can be direct signatures of the explosion mechanism

The **supernova fountain** uses accessible timescales and lengthscales to illustrate extreme astrophysical processes

The dynamics of the fountain suggests that

- 1/ neutron stars can be **kicked** at birth
- 2/ neutron stars can be **spun up** at birth
- 3/ transverse motions are favorable to **neutrino capture** and explosion



Nuclear binding energy

