

SN 2008S

an electron capture SN from a super AGB progenitor?

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Outlines

- ✓ Progenitor star
- ✓ Photometric evolution
- ✓ MIR and NIR excess
- ✓ Spectroscopic evolution
- ✓ Comparison with similar transients
- ✓ A possible scenario



NGC 6946 d ~ 5.6 Mpc

Feb. 1.79 UT ~ 17.6 mag (CBET 1234)

Feb. 4 UT NOT spectrum → SN IIn
(CBET 1236)

Feb. 29 UT 3m t. spectrum → SN impostor
(CBET 1275)

Detected in
optical Swift Feb. 4.8 UT
MIR Spitzer Feb. 7.6 UT (CBET 1381)

No detected in
X ray Swift Feb. 10.5 UT
UV Swift Feb. 6.0 UT
Radio VLA Feb. 10.62 UT (ATEL 1382)

R. A.=20:34:45.37 Dec=60:05:58

no detection on 16 Jan. (mag > 19) }
first detection on 24 Jan. } explosion date → 20 Jan. ± 4 days

- ❖ progenitor star detected only in MIR pre explosion images
- ❖ sub luminous transient with peculiar spectral properties
- ❖ slow photometric evolution and almost no spectral variability
- ❖ complex CSM and evidences for newly formed dust
- ❖ similar characteristics with NGC 300 OT2008-1 and M85 OT2006-1

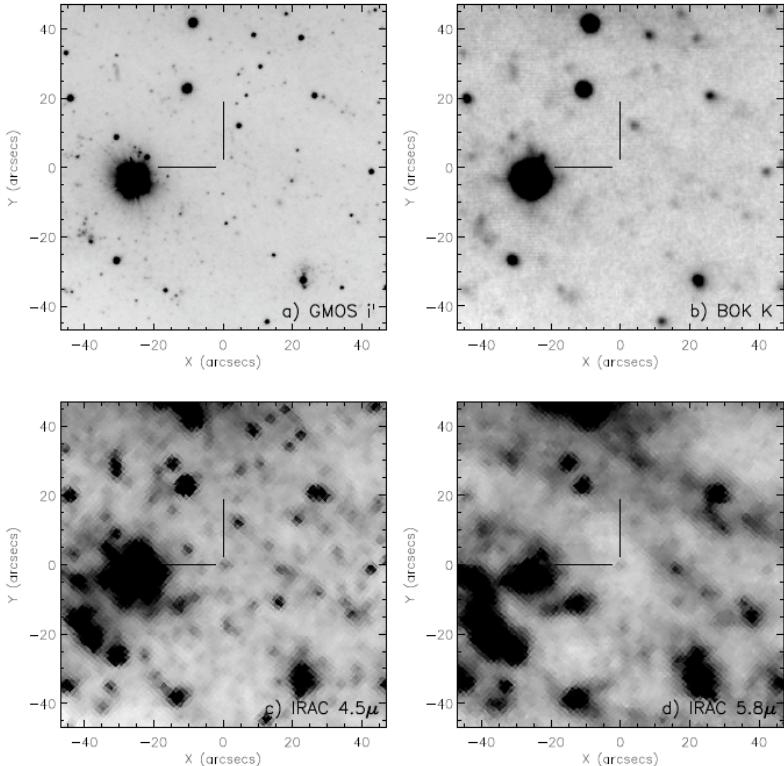
OPEN QUESTIONS:

- progenitor mass and evolutionary stage
- outburst or explosion
- new class of transients

Botticella et al 2009 MNRAS in press (arXiv 0903.1286)

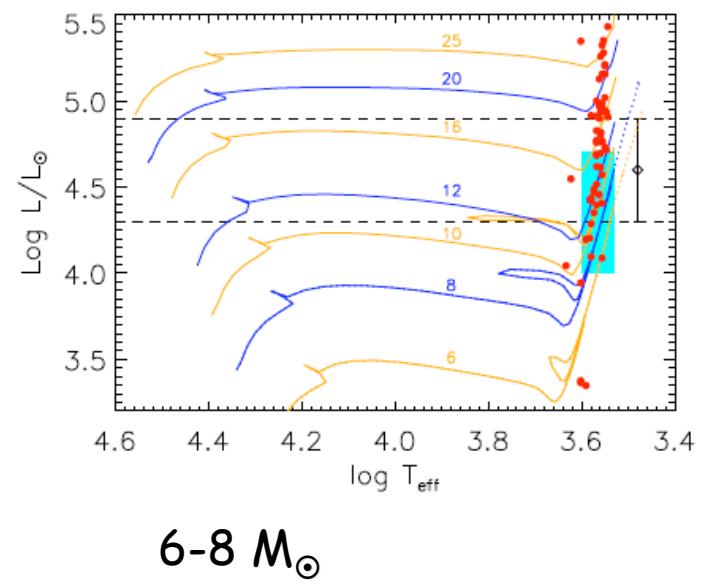
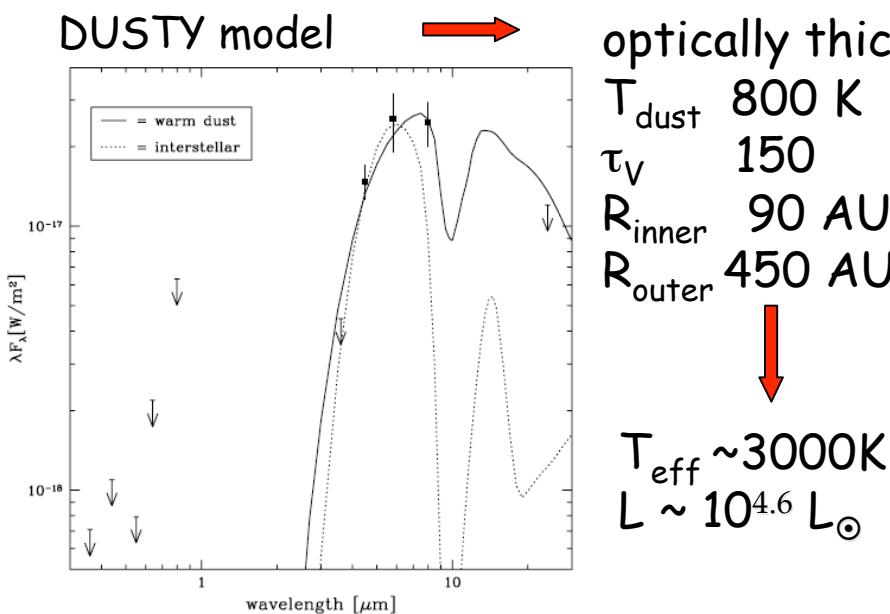
other references:

Prieto et al 2008 Thompson et al 2009 Smith et al 2009 Bond et al 2009 Berger et al 2009
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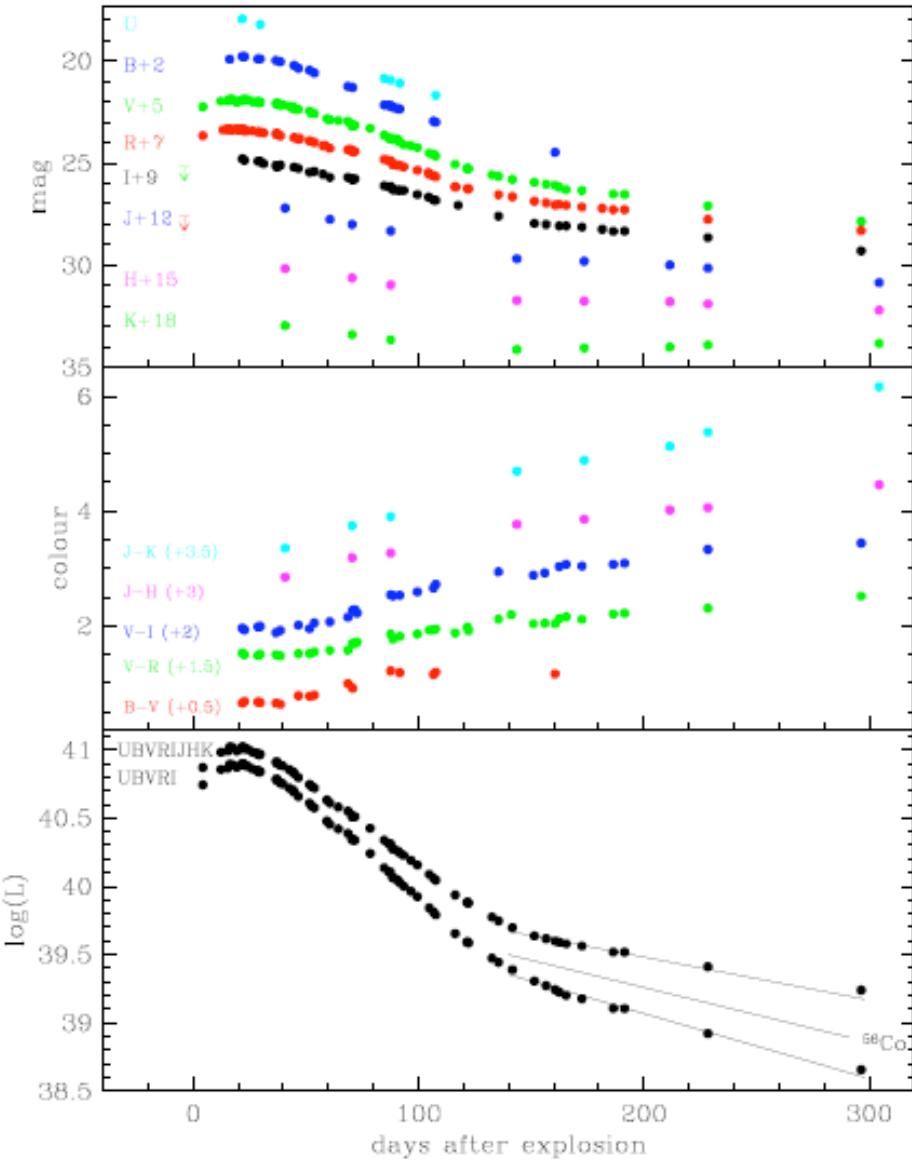


Progenitor detection

<i>U</i>	LBT	> 25.1	Vega Mag
<i>B</i>	LBT	> 24.5	Vega Mag
<i>V</i>	LBT	> 24.5	Vega Mag
<i>i</i>	GMOS-N	> 24.4	Vega mag
<i>K'</i>	PISCES	> 18	Vega Mag
$3.6\mu\text{m}$	IRAC	< 3.6	μJy
$4.5\mu\text{m}$	IRAC	21.3 ± 1.5	μJy
$5.8\mu\text{m}$	IRAC	45.6 ± 2.4	μJy
$8.0\mu\text{m}$	IRAC	59.5 ± 4.3	μJy



Photometric evolution

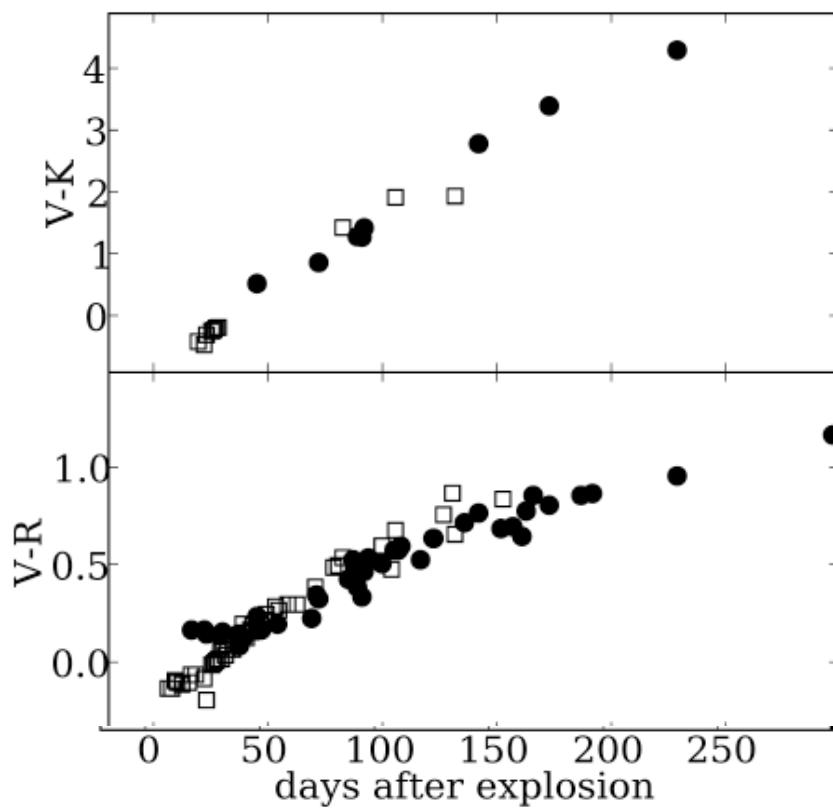
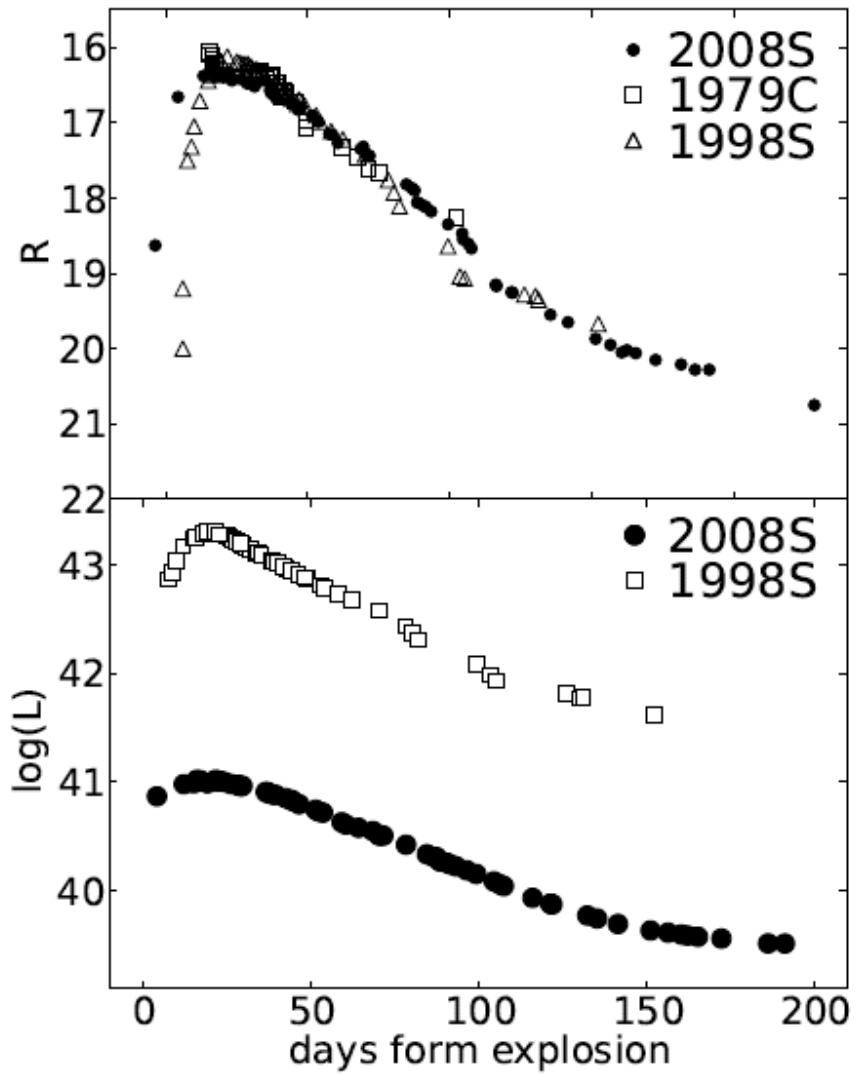


Filter	JD ^a	ph ^b	m _{max}	M _{max}
B	509 ± 2	23	17.83 ± 0.05	-13.76 ± 0.16
V	505 ± 2	19	16.95 ± 0.05	-13.97 ± 0.16
R	503 ± 2	17	16.33 ± 0.05	-14.17 ± 0.16
I	502 ± 3	16	15.85 ± 0.05	-14.20 ± 0.16

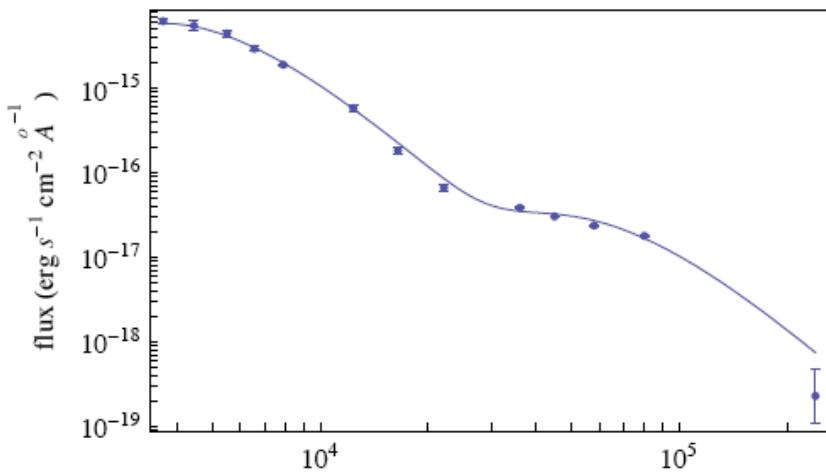
Filter	ph ₁ ^a	γ_1 (mag/100d)	ph ₂ ^a	γ_2 (mag/100d)
B	50-100	4.5 ± 0.10	100-160	2.8 ± 0.10
V	50-120	4.0 ± 0.05	140-300	1.3 ± 0.06
R	60-120	3.4 ± 0.05	140-300	1.0 ± 0.05
I	60-120	2.8 ± 0.05	140-300	0.93 ± 0.06
J	40-120	2.4 ± 0.10	140-310	0.7 ± 0.05
H	40-120	1.5 ± 0.10	140-310	0.4 ± 0.10
K	40-120	1.5 ± 0.09	140-310	-0.2 ± 0.06

$$\gamma = 0.9 \pm 0.05 \text{ mag/100d}$$

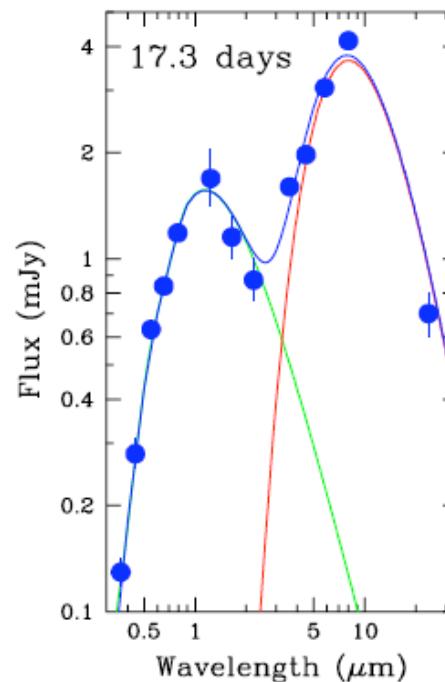
$$^{56}\text{Ni} \text{ mass} = 0.0014 \pm 0.0003 M_{\odot}$$



MIR light echo



$T_{\text{hot bb}} \sim 8000 \text{ K}$ $R_{\text{hot bb}} \sim 2 \times 10^{14} \text{ cm}$
 $T_{\text{warm bb}} \sim 600 \text{ K}$ $R_{\text{warm bb}} \sim 10^{16} \text{ cm}$



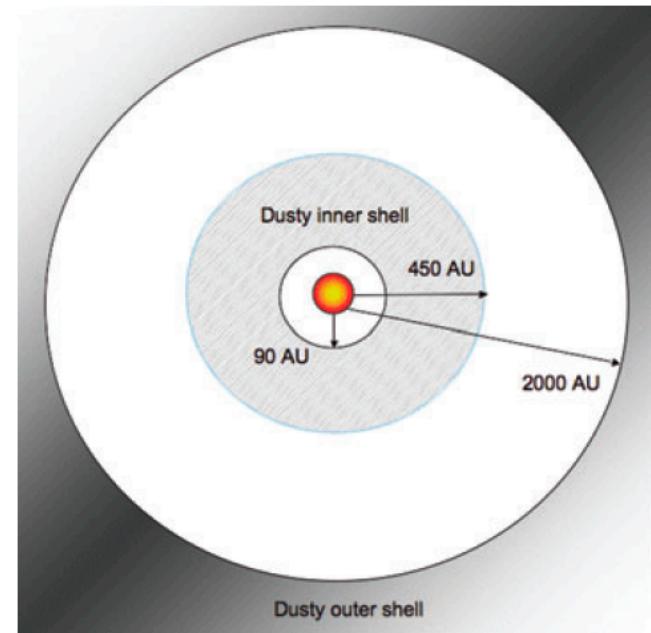
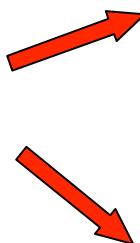
d. f. cavity $\sim 2000 \text{ AU}$

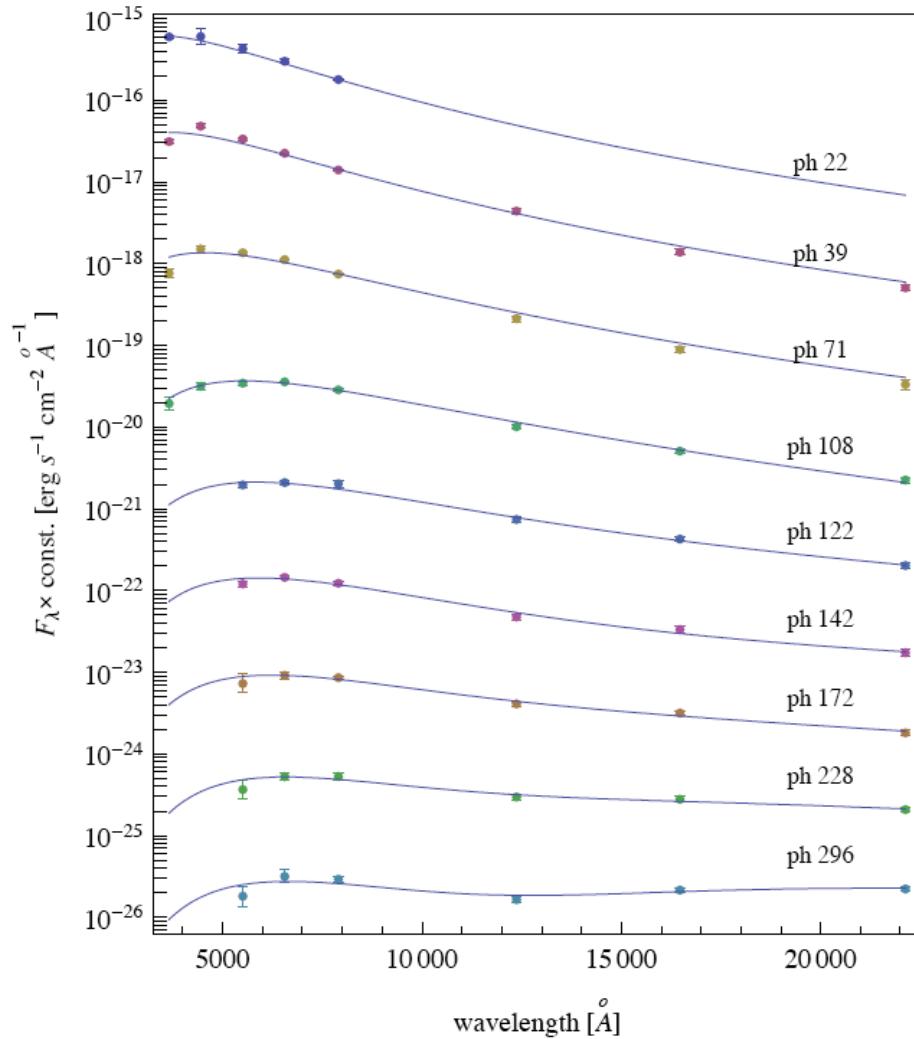
$M_{\text{dust}} \sim 1.4 \times 10^{-3} M_{\odot}$

model details in
Meikle et al 2006

progenitor SED model

MIR echo model



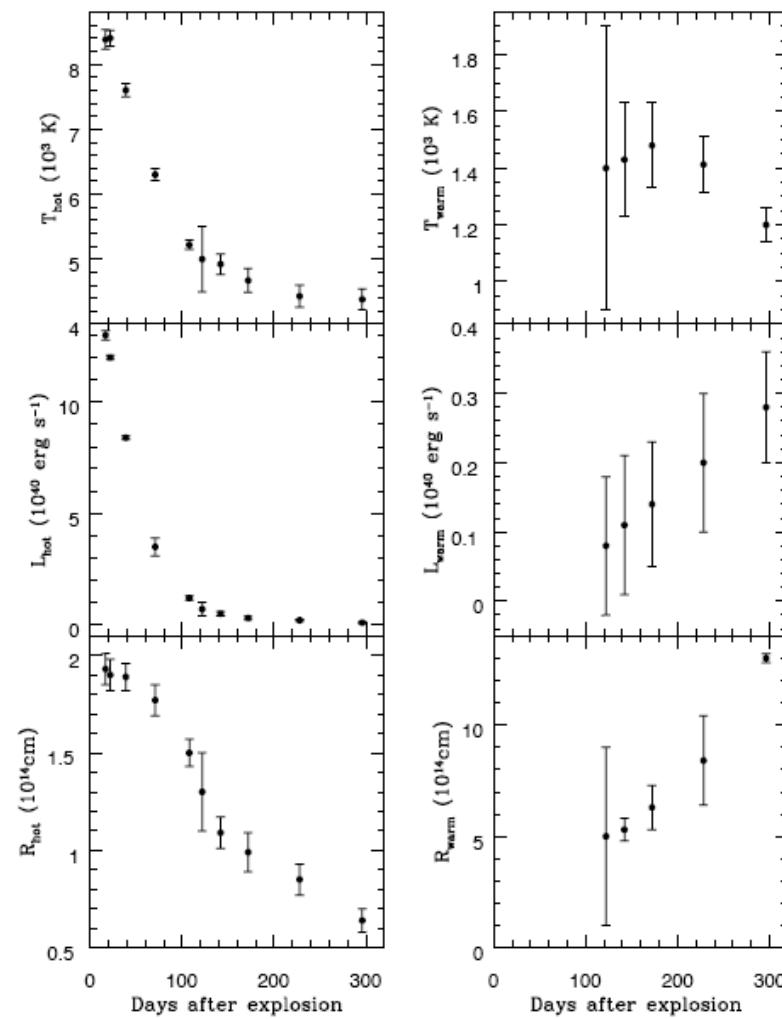


clear NIR excess
after 120 days



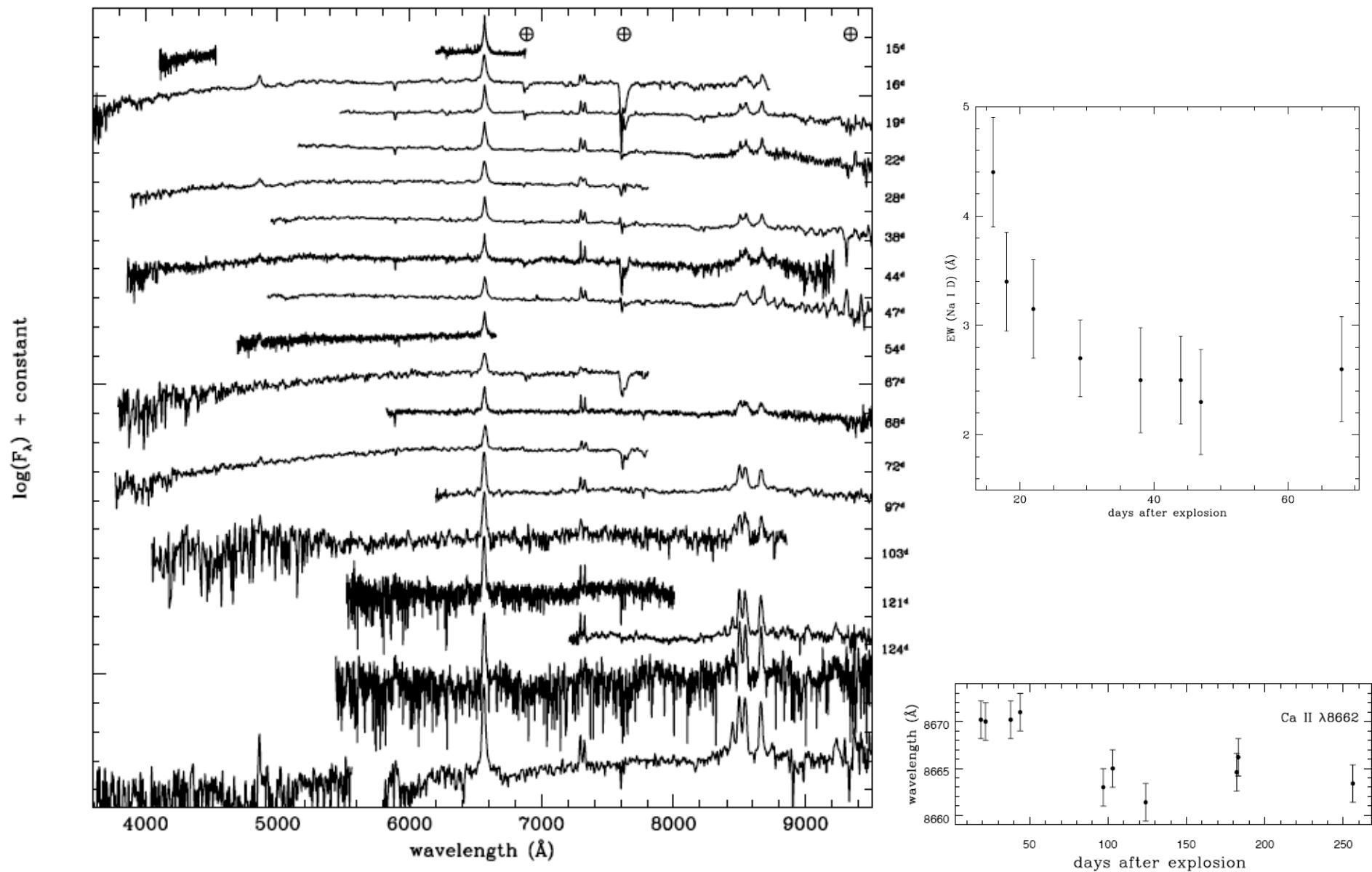
thermal emission from warm dust

SED evolution

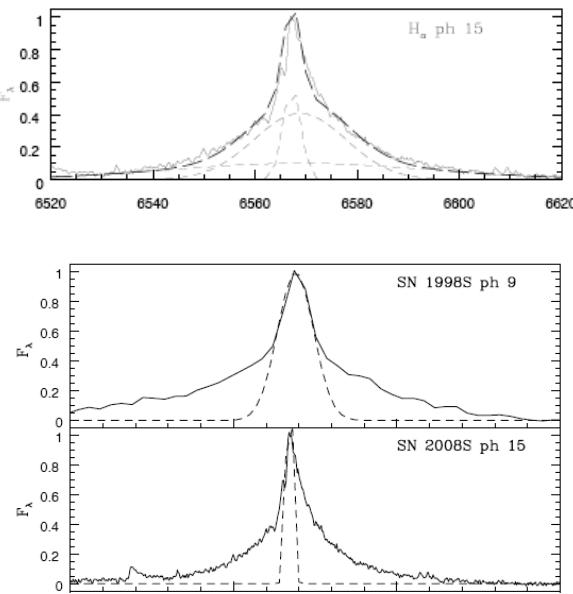
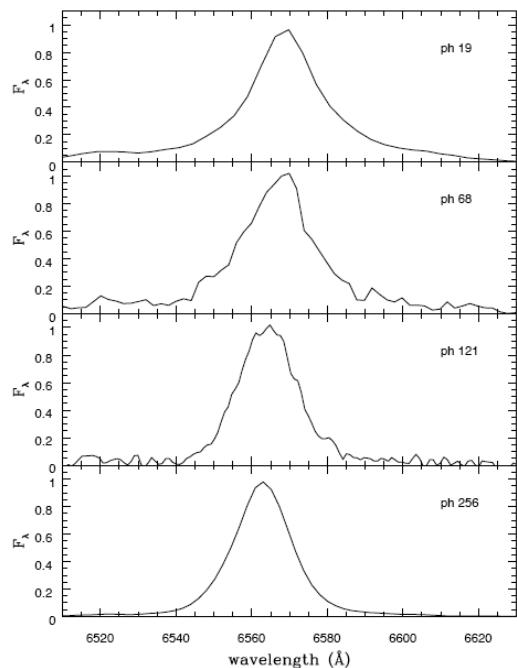


$M_{\text{dust}} \sim 10^{-6} M_{\odot}$
grain location
heating mechanism ?

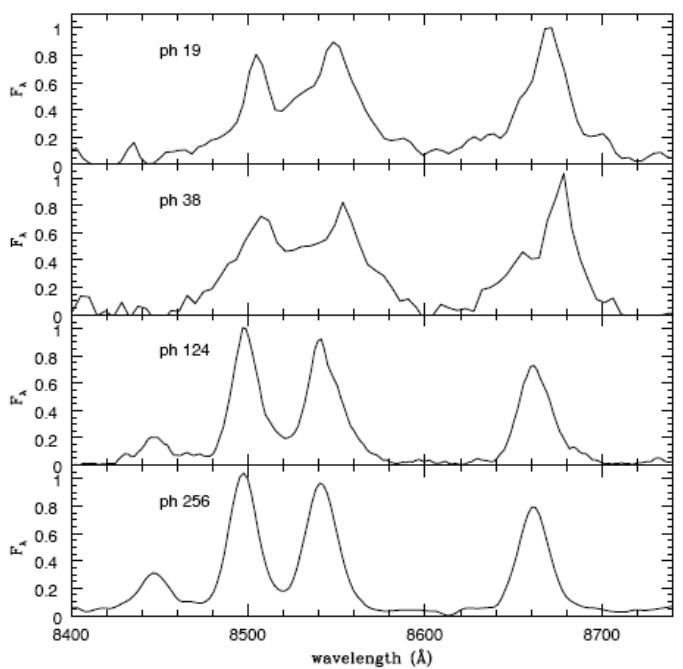
Spectroscopic evolution



Emission line profiles

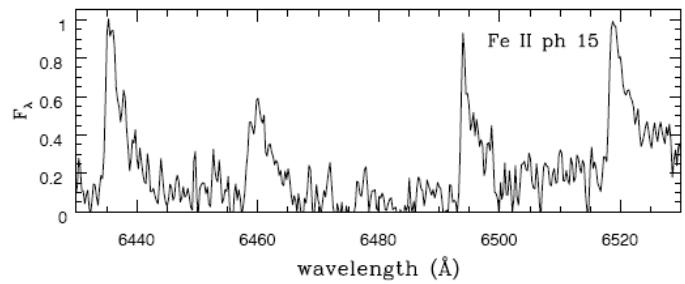


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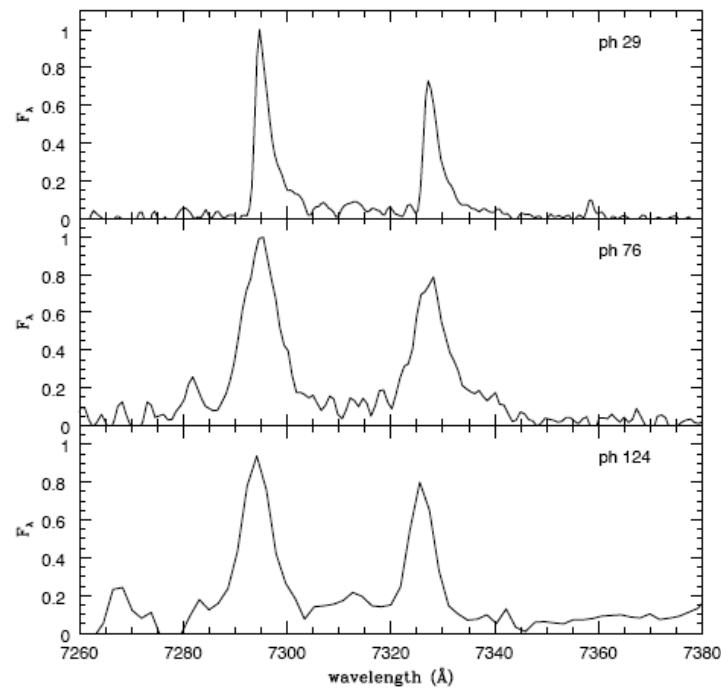


Ca II NIR

Emission line profiles



Fe II

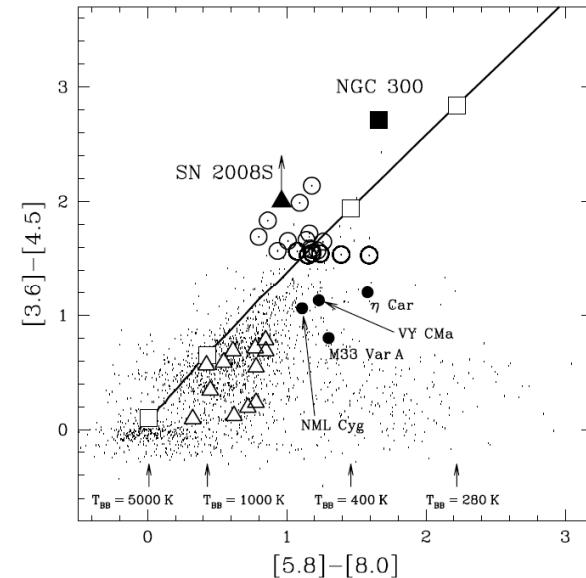


[Ca II]

Comparison with NGC 300 OT2008-1 and M85 OT2006-1

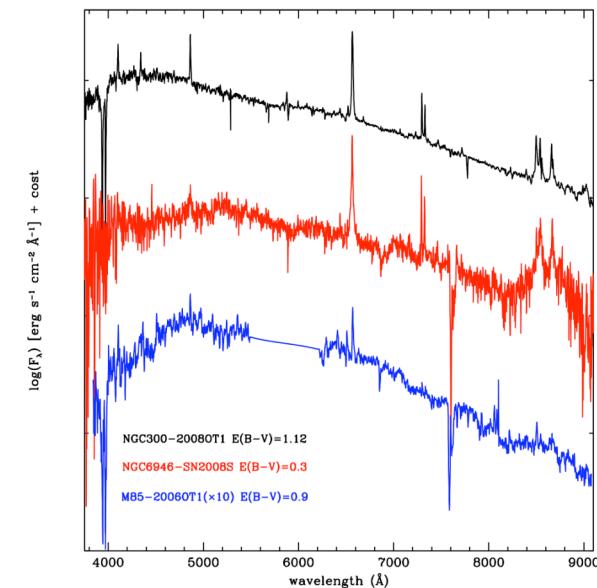
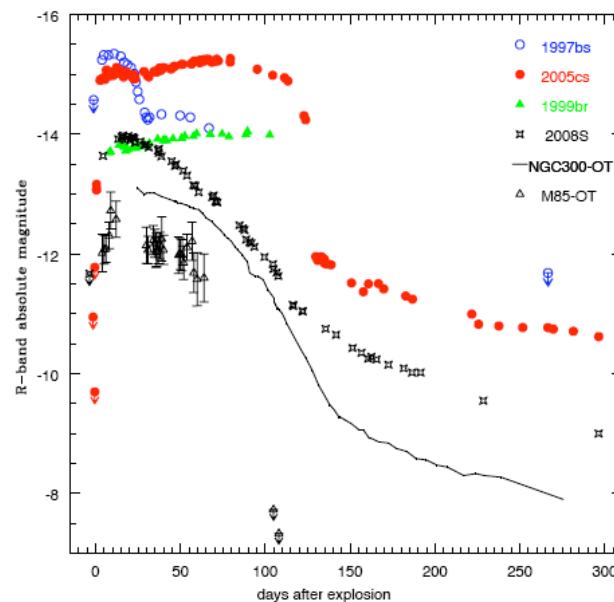
- ✓ similar progenitor characteristics ($10^{4.6} L_\odot$)
- ✓ similar geometry of obscuring CSM

(Thompson et al 2009 ,Prieto et al 2009,
Patat et al 2009)



(Thompson et al 2009)

- ✓ similar light curves
and spectra

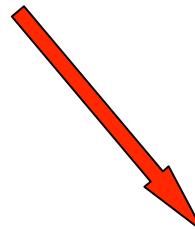


Progenitor

$L \sim 10^{4.6} L_\odot$

$M \sim 6-8 M_\odot$

super AGB star



CSM

$T_{\text{dust}} 800 \text{ K}$

$\tau_V 150$

$R_{\text{inner}} 90 \text{ AU}$

$R_{\text{outer}} 450 \text{ AU}$

dense and dusty CSM
high mass loss rate



electron capture SN
from a star of $6-8 M_\odot$
in the super AGB stage

Transient

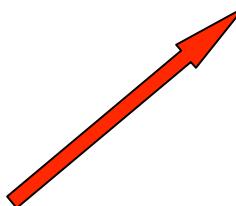
$V_{\text{max}} \sim -14 \text{ mag}$

$L_{\text{max}} \sim 10^{41} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$

$v_{\text{max}} \leq 3000 \text{ km s}^{-1}$

$^{56}\text{Ni} \text{ mass} \sim 0.0014 M_\odot$

low energy explosion



Mass ($8-10 M_\odot$)

Luminosity ($10^5 L_\odot$)

CSM interaction

Energy ($1-2 \times 10^{50}$)

^{56}Ni mass (0.002)

(Kitaura et al 2006
Eldridge et al 2007
Wanajo et al 2008)

other
suggested
scenarios

15-20 M_{\odot} progenitor, failed super Eddington wind
(Smith et al 2009)

10-15 M_{\odot} progenitor, OH/IR outburst on blue loop
(Bond et al 09)

10-20 M_{\odot} compact progenitor (BSG or pre WR star), outburst
(Berger et al 2009)

6-10 M_{\odot} carbon rich or super AGB star explosive event
(Prieto et al 2009)

late observations and remnant analysis
will give a definitive answer