

## **Section 6.**

### **End of massive stars**

**6.1 Dynamical stability of stars**

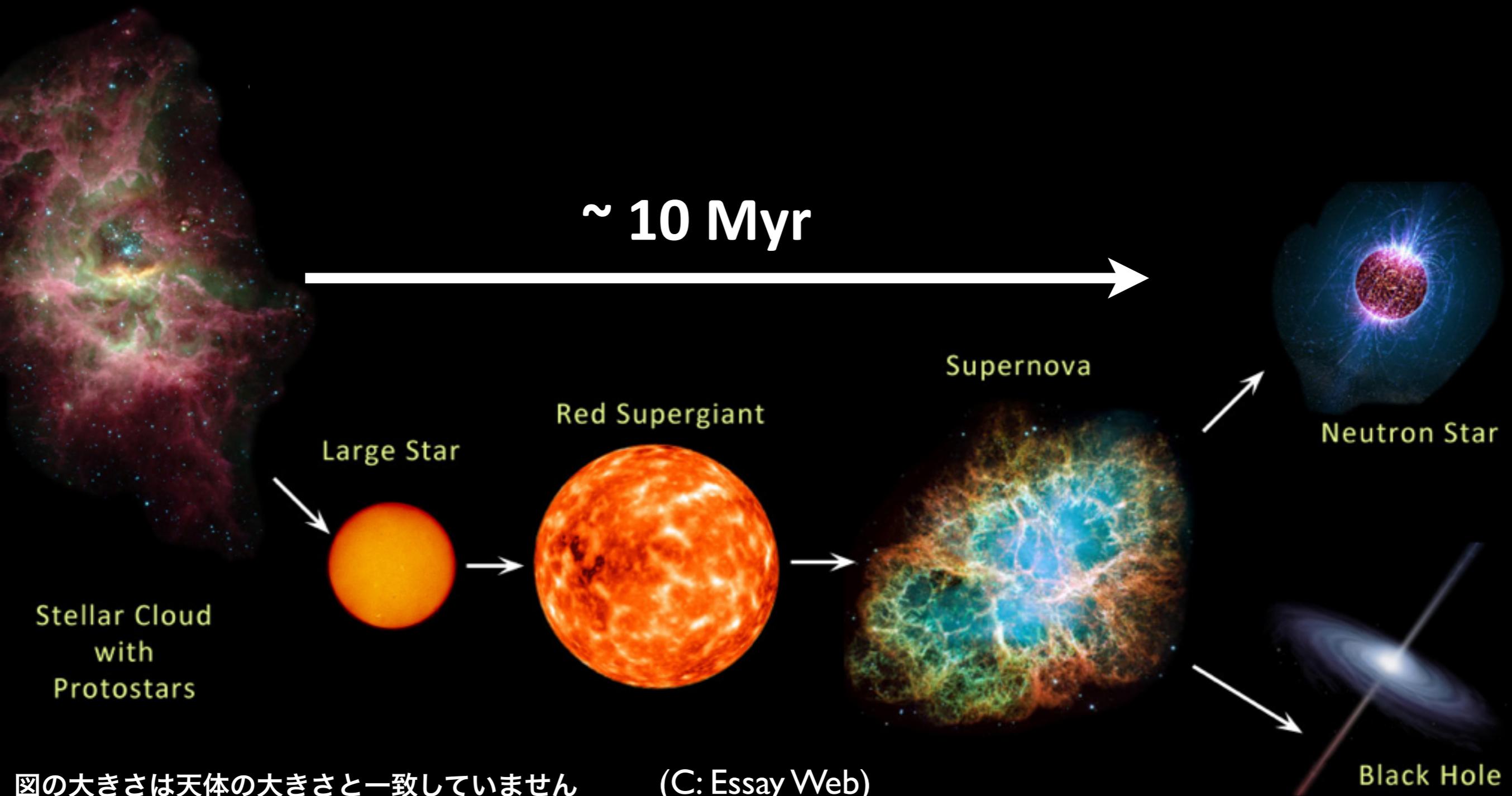
**6.2 Core-collapse of massive stars**

# Let's understand these questions with the words of physics

- Why are stars so luminous?
- Why do stars show  $L \sim M^4$ ?
- Why do stars evolve?
- Why does the destiny of stars depend on the mass?
- Why do some stars explode?
- Why don't normal star explode?
- Why does stellar core collapses?
- Why is the energy of supernova so huge?
- ...

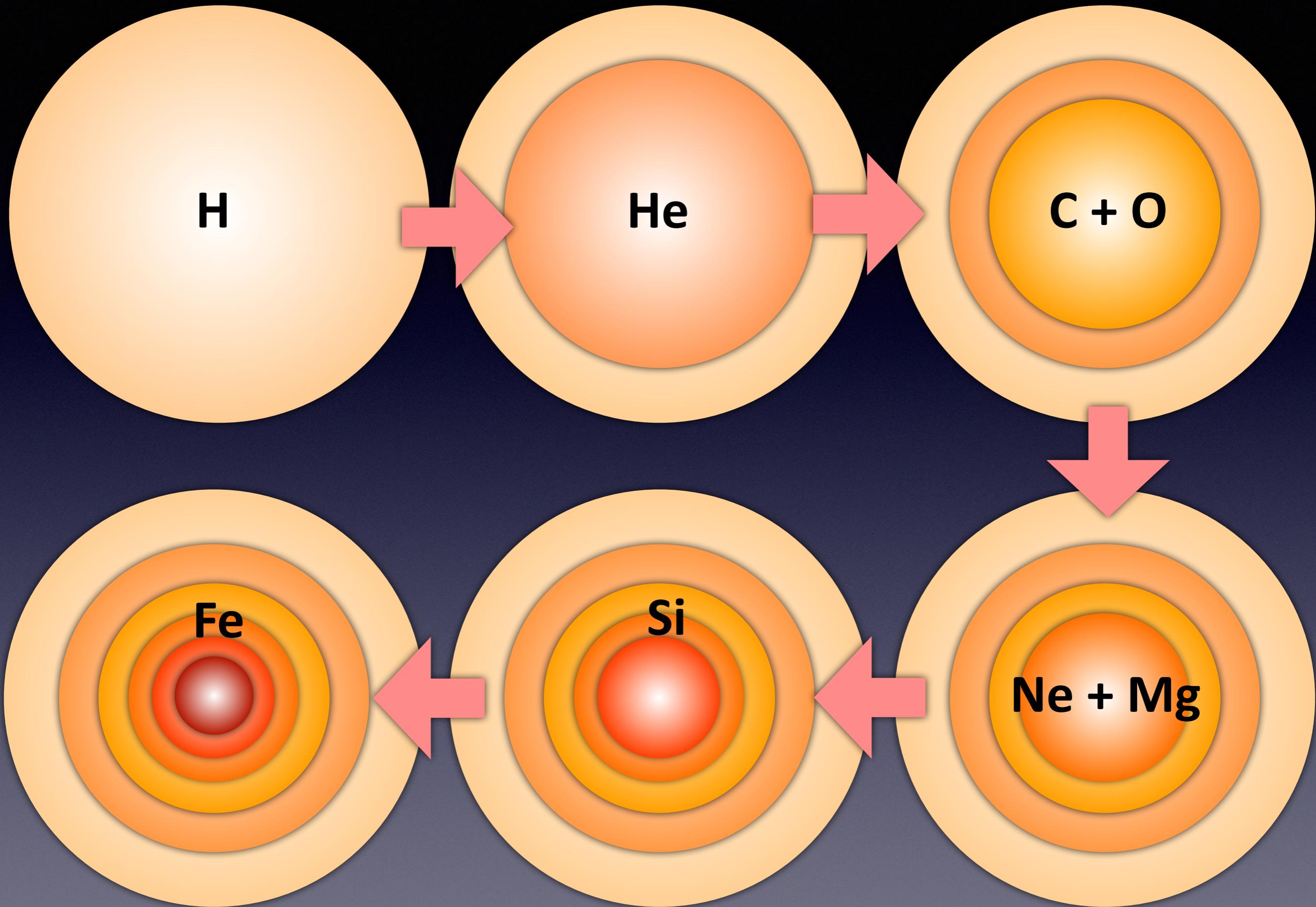
# 1. Massive stars

$M > 10 M_{\text{sun}}$



図の大きさは天体の大きさと一致していません

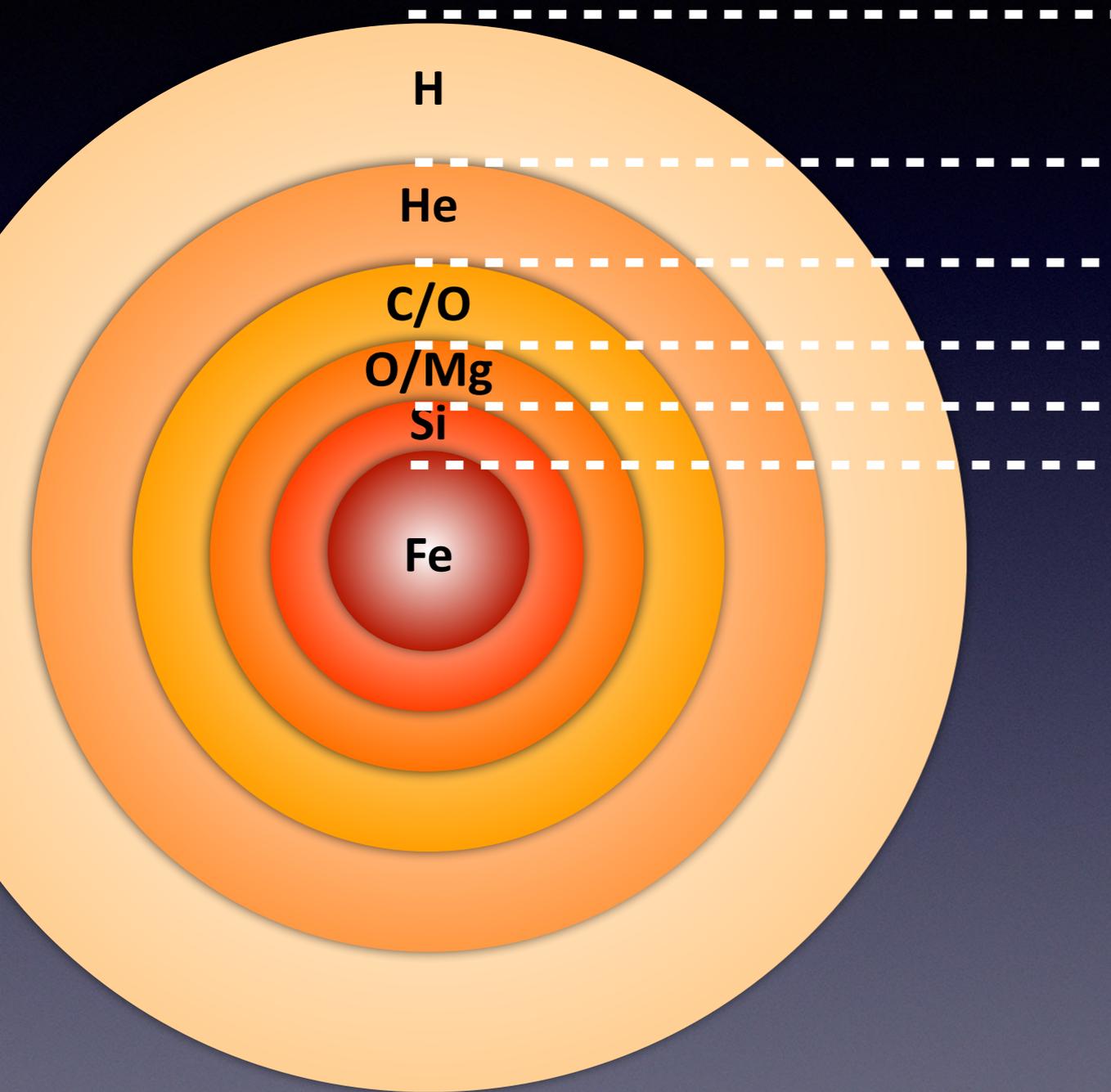
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# 20 Msun star

(~16 Msun before the collapse)



Mass  
(Msun)

R  
(Rsun)

Free-fall time  
(s)

16

1000

$3 \times 10^7$   
(1yr)

6

0.5

300

5

0.2

50

4

0.08

20

2

0.005

1

1.5

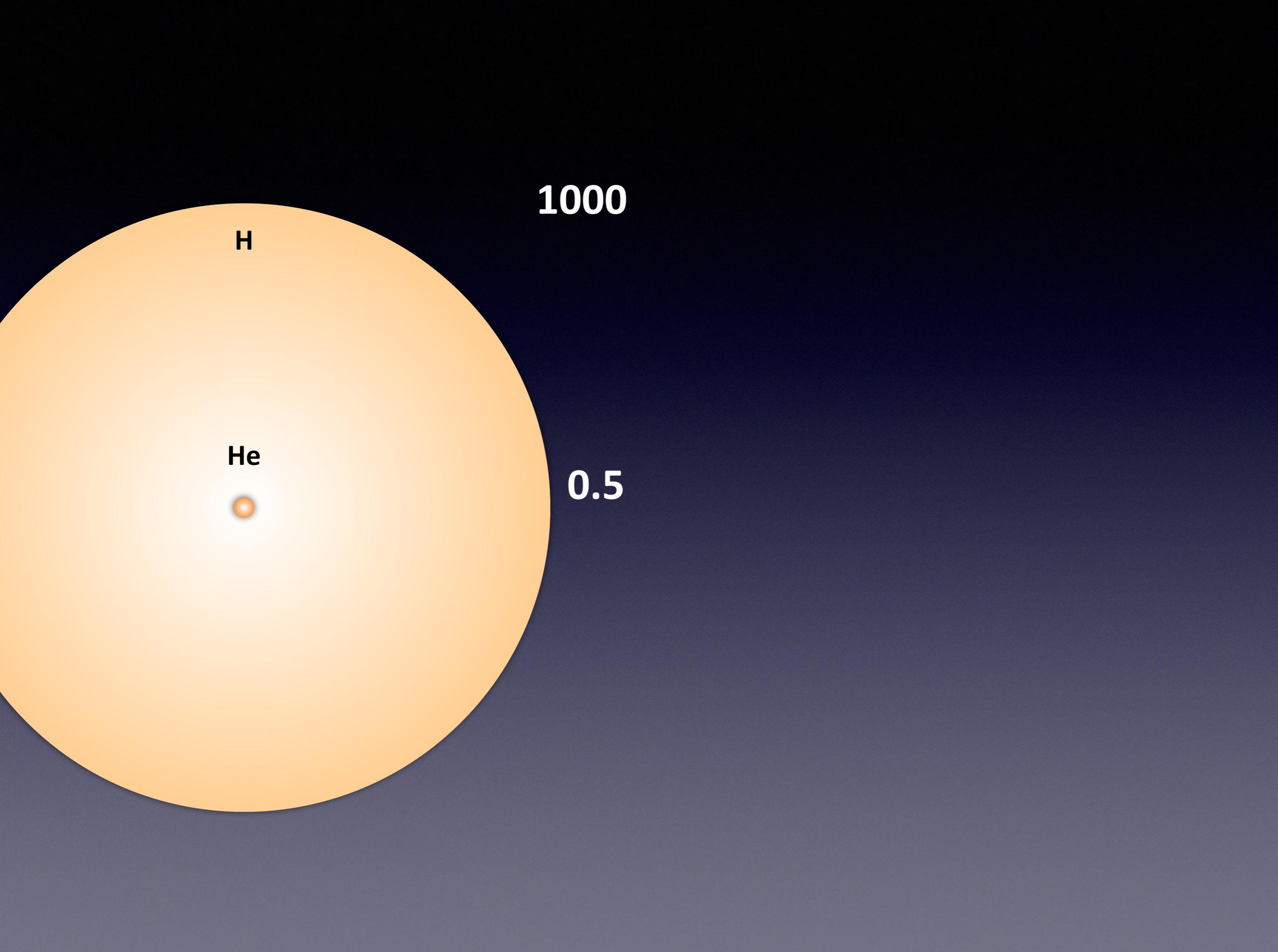
0.003

0.1

$R_{\text{sun}} = 7 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm}$

$R(\text{Fe core}) \sim 0.003 \times 7 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm}$

$\sim 2 \times 10^8 \text{ cm} \sim 2,000 \text{ km}$



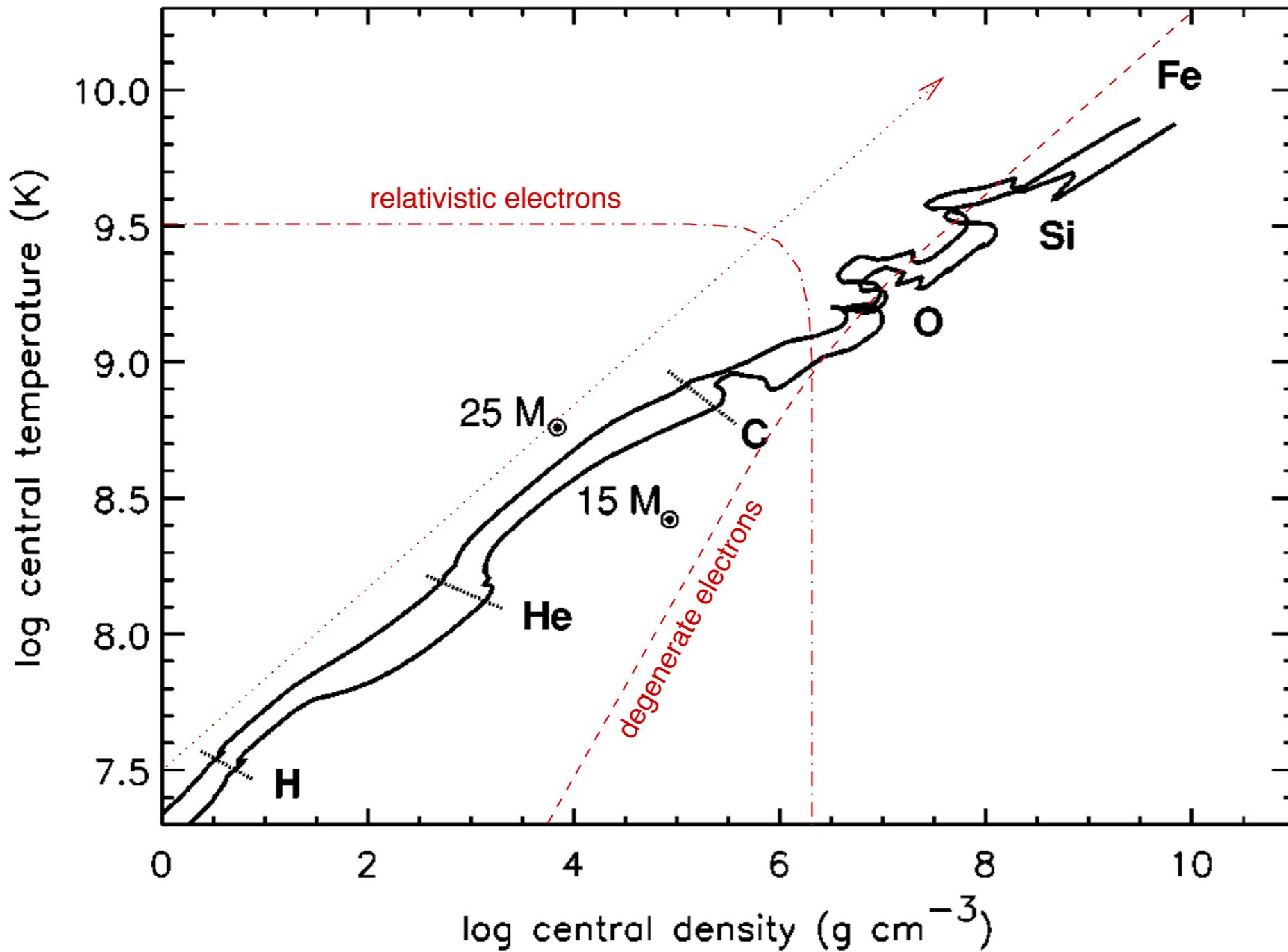
1000

H

He

0.5

# Rho-T diagram



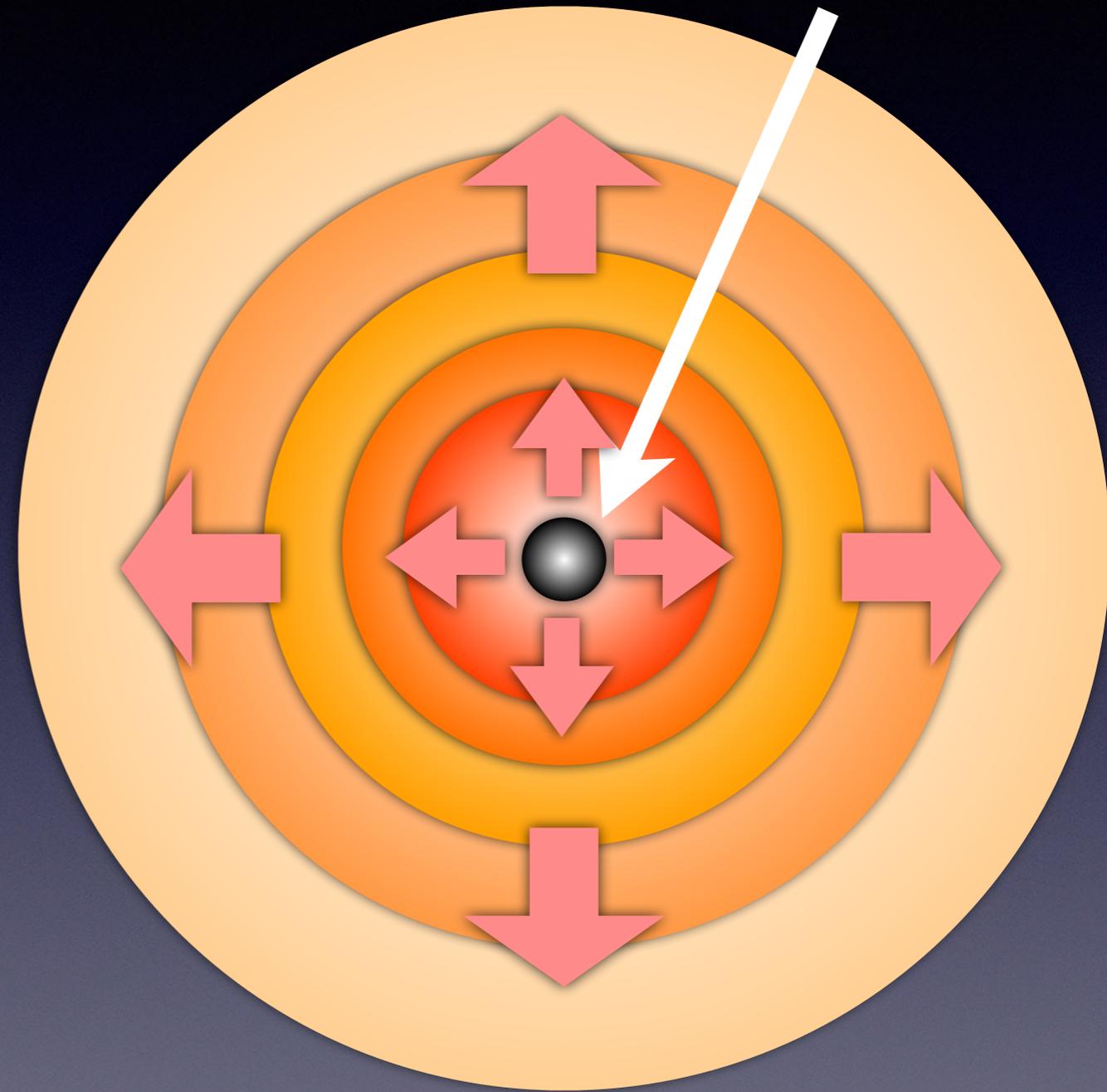
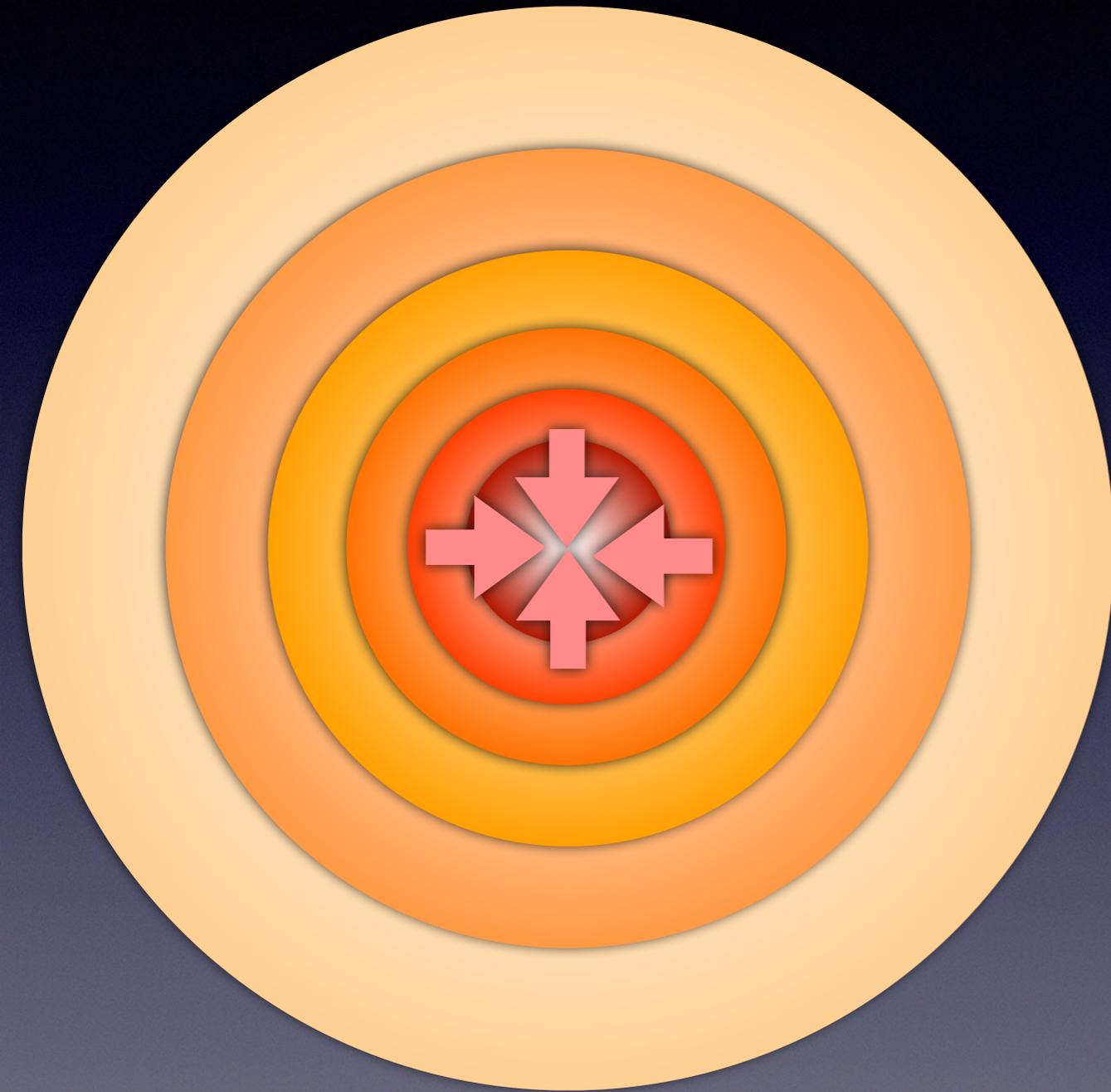
# Timescales for nuclear burning stages

**Table 12.1.** Properties of nuclear burning stages in a  $15 M_{\odot}$  star (from Woosley et al. 2002).

burning stage	$T$ ( $10^9$ K)	$\rho$ (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	fuel	main products	timescale
hydrogen	0.035	5.8	H	He	$1.1 \times 10^7$ yr
helium	0.18	$1.4 \times 10^3$	He	C, O	$2.0 \times 10^6$ yr
carbon	0.83	$2.4 \times 10^5$	C	O, Ne	$2.0 \times 10^3$ yr
neon	1.6	$7.2 \times 10^6$	Ne	O, Mg	0.7 yr
oxygen	1.9	$6.7 \times 10^6$	O, Mg	Si, S	2.6 yr
silicon	3.3	$4.3 \times 10^7$	Si, S	Fe, Ni	18 d

**Collapse  
( $< 1$  sec)**

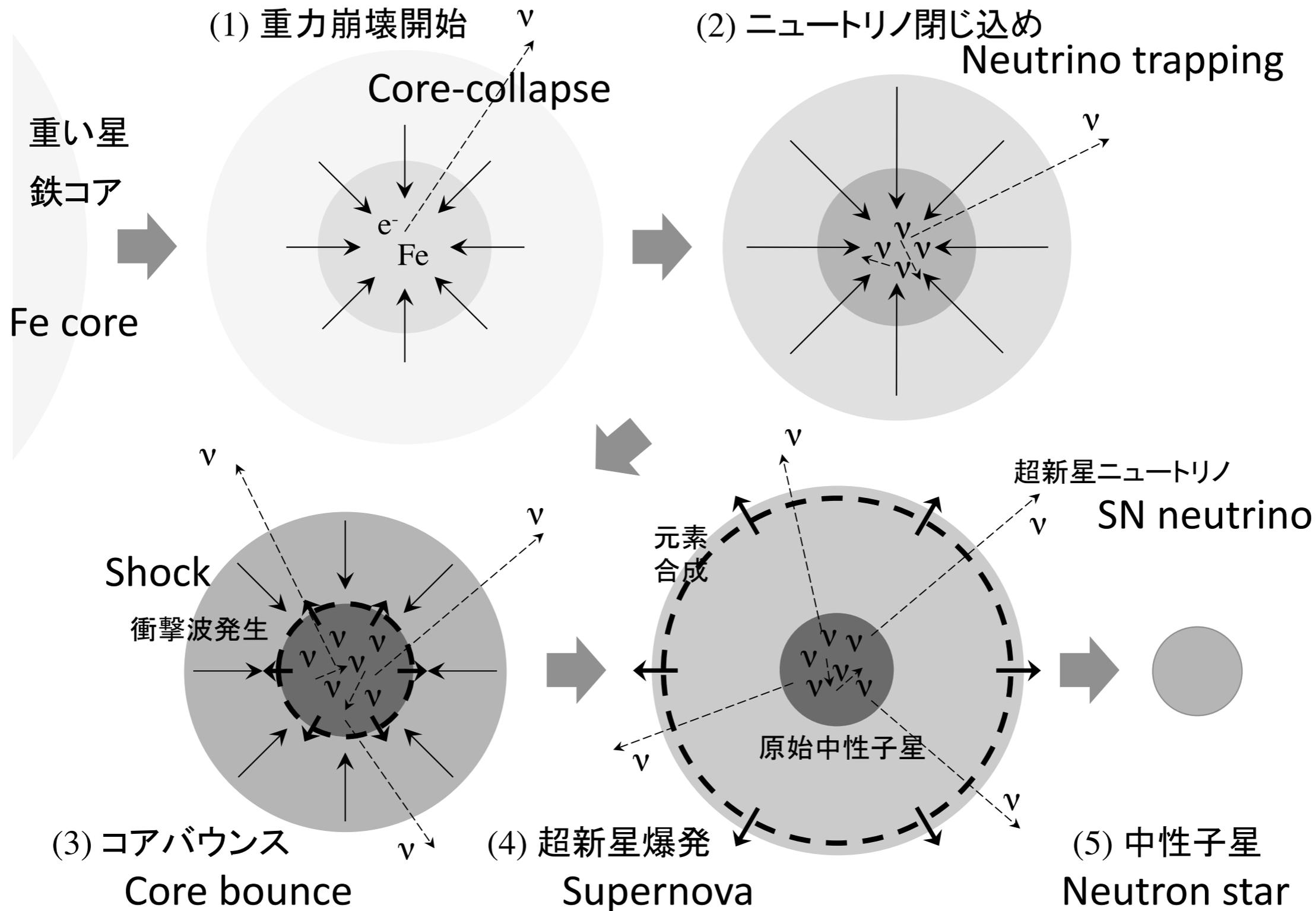
**Neutron star  
or  
Black hole**



**Supernova!**



**Why does a core of massive star collapse?  
(Why don't normal star collapse or explode?)**



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# Summary: End of massive stars

- **Stability of star**

- Dynamically unstable if adiabatic index  $\gamma < 4/3$
- Degenerate Fe core => close to instability

- **What trigger the core-collapse?**

- High density => electron capture
- High temperature => Fe disassociation