Section 8. Radiation from supernovae (I)

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## **Goals of this lecture**

- Standard properties of stars
  - Stellar structure and properties
  - Stellar evolution
- Origin of the elements in the Universe
  - Nucleosynthesis in stars and supernovae
  - Explosion mechanism of supernovae
- Topics in time-domain astronomy
  - Radiation from explosive phenomena
  - Multi-messenger astronomy

Minimum required knowledge for galactic astronomy

## Spot the difference!!







#### Spot the difference! (level \*\*)



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#### Answer



## **Observations of transients**

## • Light curve

 Time evolution of luminosity (total or in a certain band)

## Spectra

 Flux as a function of wavelengths (and their time evolution)

# **Light curves**



Type I - Peak - L(la) > L(lb, lc) Type II - plateau

- L(Ia) > L(II)

# Spectra of supernovae



- Thermal continuum
- Broad absorption
- Doppler shift
- Associated with emission component



## **Core-collapse SNe and their progenitors**



### Mass loss due to stellar wind

# Line profile



"P-Cygni" Profile

# Observer

## **Doppler effects**

$$\lambda = \left(\frac{c-v}{c}\right)\lambda_0$$

$$\frac{v}{c} = \frac{(\lambda_0 - \lambda)}{\lambda_0}$$



# H line in Type II SNe



v/c = 163/6563

=> v = 0.025 x c ~ 7,000 km/s

# Si line in Type la SNe



![](_page_15_Figure_0.jpeg)

"photosphere"

**Absorption lines** 

No photosphere

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![](_page_16_Figure_0.jpeg)

# Nebular spectra

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# Abundance profiling

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![](_page_19_Figure_0.jpeg)

Obs

Theory

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# **Light curves**

![](_page_21_Figure_1.jpeg)

Type I - Peak - L(la) > L(lb, lc) Type II - plateau

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![](_page_22_Picture_0.jpeg)

## What powers the extreme luminosity of supernovae?

## What can we learn from observations?

### Heating source of supernovae

#### 1. Radioactivity (56Ni)

Important in all the types Type Ia > Core-collapse

2. Shock heating

Important for large-radius star (Type II)

- **3. Interaction with CSM** Ekin => Eth (Type IIn)
- 4. Magnetar?
  Erot => energy loss by spin down

# **Light curves**

![](_page_24_Figure_1.jpeg)

# 1043 erg s-1

10<sup>42</sup> erg s<sup>-1</sup>

Type la SNe eject more <sup>56</sup>Ni

#### 56Ni

#### 56**CO**

e capture  ${}^{56}\text{Ni} \Rightarrow {}^{56}\text{Co} + \gamma + \nu_e$ .

#### **τ = 8.8 days**

![](_page_25_Figure_5.jpeg)

![](_page_25_Figure_6.jpeg)

![](_page_26_Figure_0.jpeg)

#### Signature of CSM interaction

![](_page_27_Figure_1.jpeg)

#### Type IIn SNe: powered from CSM interaction

![](_page_28_Figure_1.jpeg)

Type IIn SN - More luminous than Type II SN

- Slower evolution
- Large diversity

![](_page_28_Figure_5.jpeg)

#### **Estimate of mass loss rate**

![](_page_29_Figure_1.jpeg)

Signature of strong mass loss just before the explosion

### Summary: Radiation from supernovae (I)

- Erad ~ 10<sup>49</sup> erg
   << Ekin (10<sup>51</sup> erg) << Egrav (10<sup>53</sup> erg)
- Power source
  - Radioactivity (<sup>56</sup>Ni)
  - Shock heating
  - Interaction with CSM, magnetar, ...
- Lessons from observations
  - M\_Fe (Type Ia SN) > M\_Fe (CC SN)
  - R (Type II SN) > R (Type Ibc SN) > R (Type Ia SN)