

Observing Supernova Remnants with Lynx

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Conclusions

Chandra has revolutionized our view of supernova remnants: their explosive origins, shock heating, dynamical evolution, particle acceleration properties, and associated neutron stars.

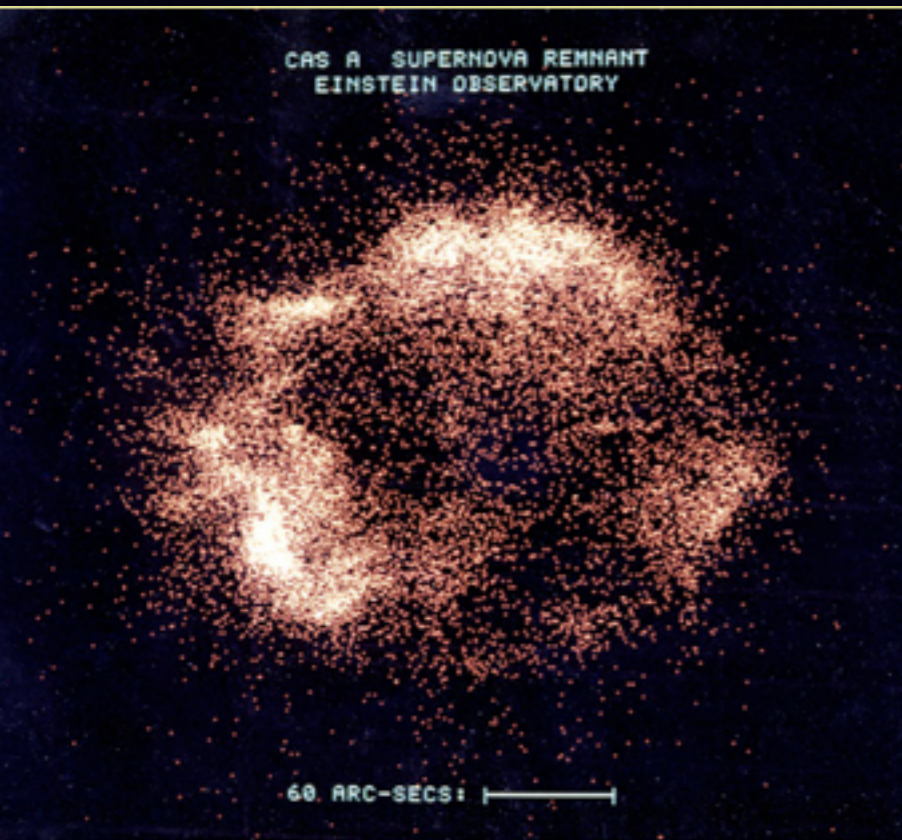
Limitations of current facilities: challenges associated with gratings spectra of extended objects, sensitivity (and spatial resolution) to probe extragalactic populations

SN simulations are finally making predictions for chemical yields, spatial distribution and kinematics of metals, formation and kicks of neutron stars. X-ray data gives ability to test models in ways that cannot be done at any other wavelengths.

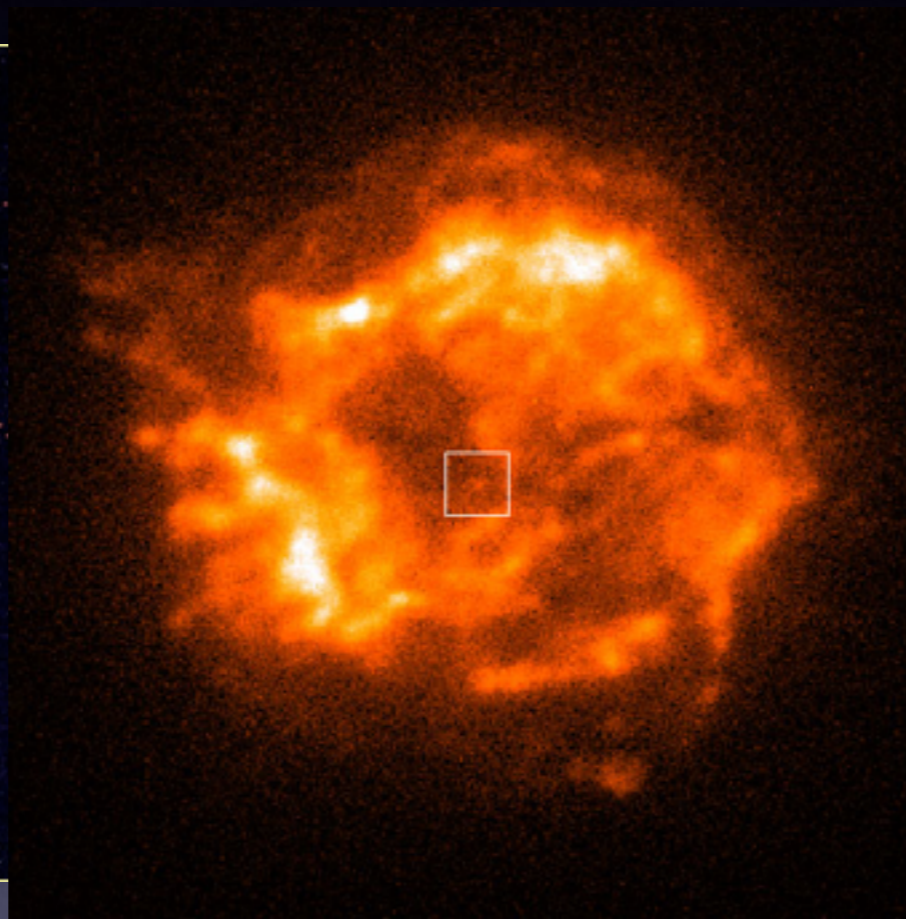
Lynx will give 3D structure of tens of SNRs and enable characterization of hundreds of SNRs in the Local Group - key to understanding explosion mechanisms and SN feedback

Chandra's Legacy

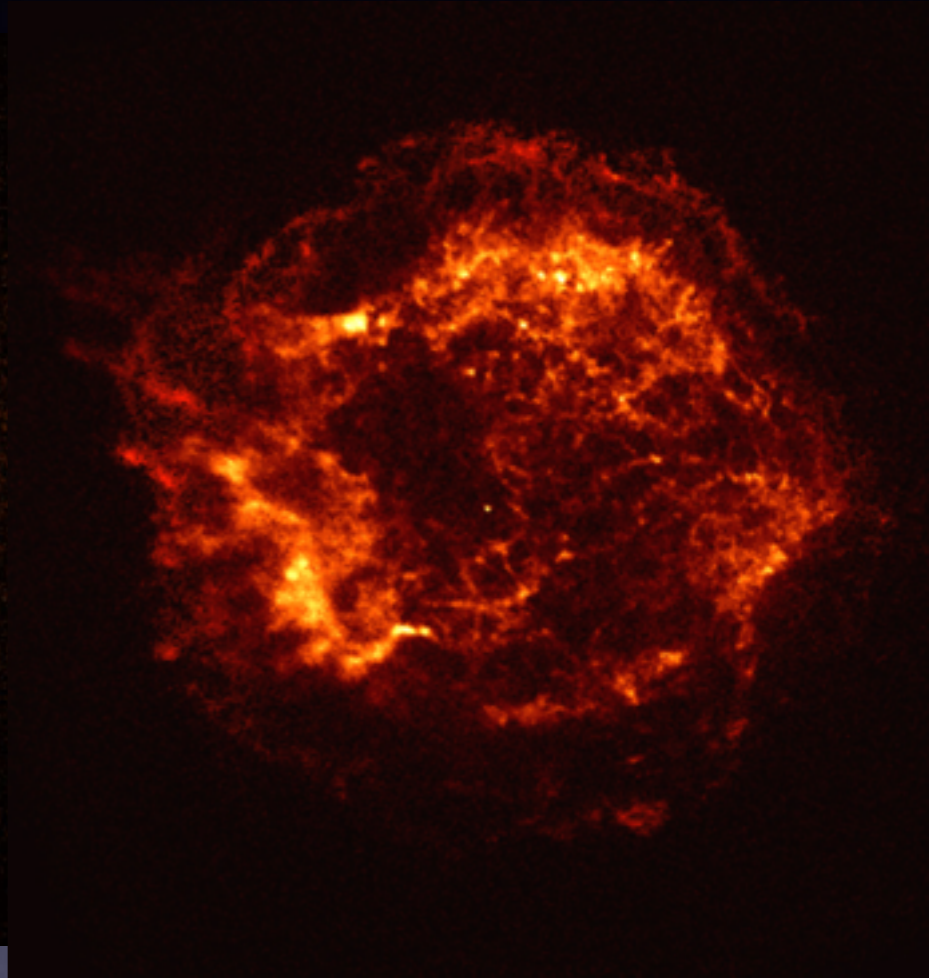
The X-ray View of Cassiopeia A



Einstein
Observatory

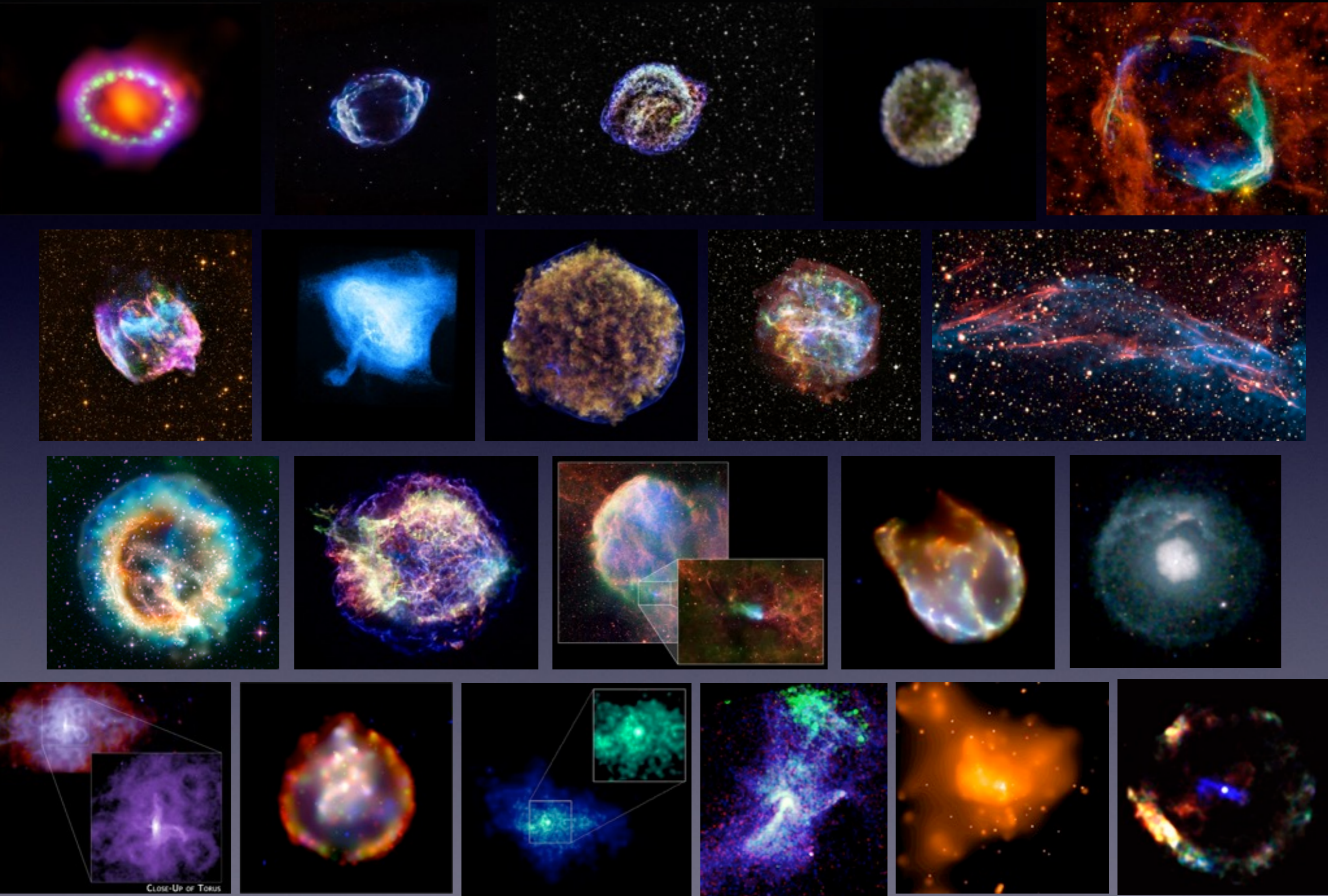


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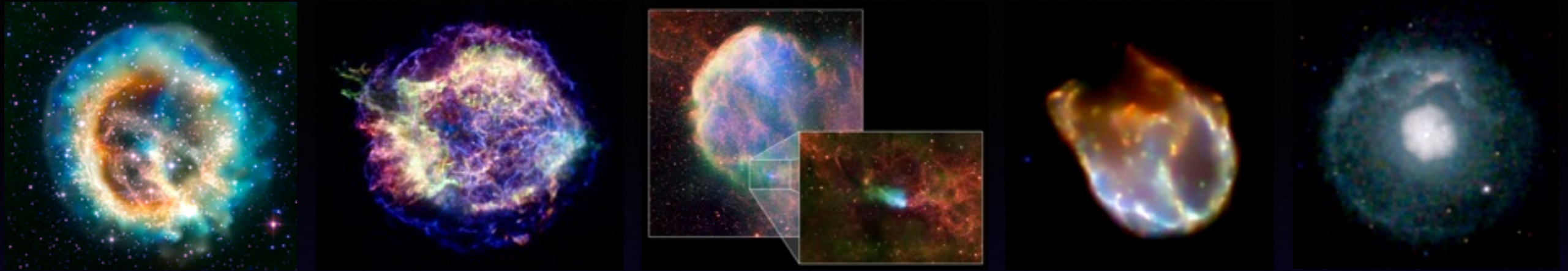


Chandra

56 Chandra press releases on supernova remnants



Why Remnants, and why X-rays?



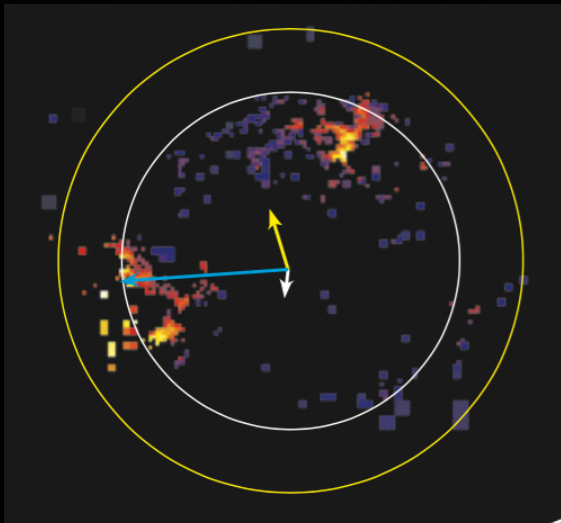
Although dedicated surveys find extragalactic supernovae each day, these objects are far too distant to resolve.

Supernova remnants (SNRs) offer an up-close view (at sub-pc scales) of the explosions and their surroundings.

The metals synthesized in supernovae are heated to X-ray emitting temperatures ($>10^7$ K) by the reverse shock, and they stay X-ray bright for many thousands of years after the explosion. Thus, X-rays are key to studying the nucleosynthetic products of explosions and their dispersal into the ISM.

What have we learned?

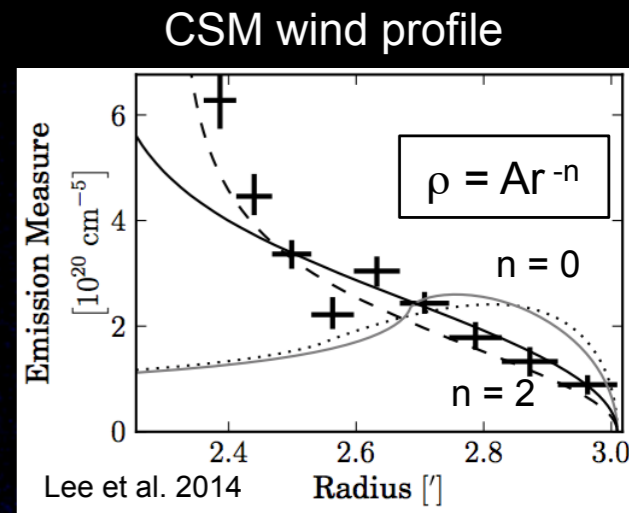
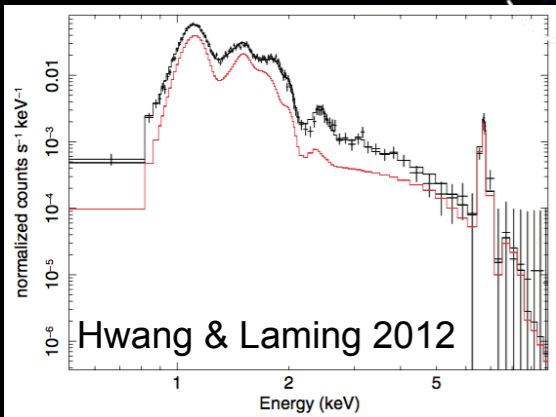
We've Learned a Lot



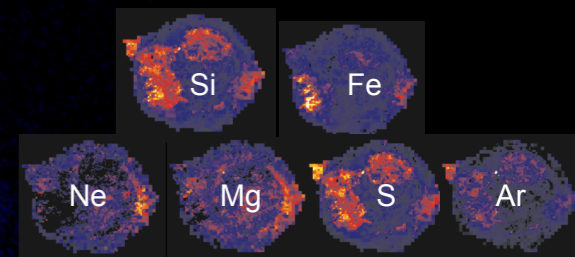
Si-rich
"jets"

Hwang et al. 2000

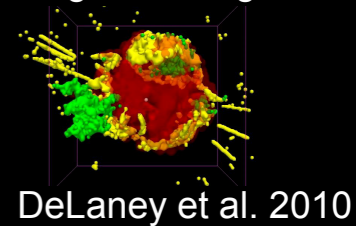
"pure" FE knots



And much more...

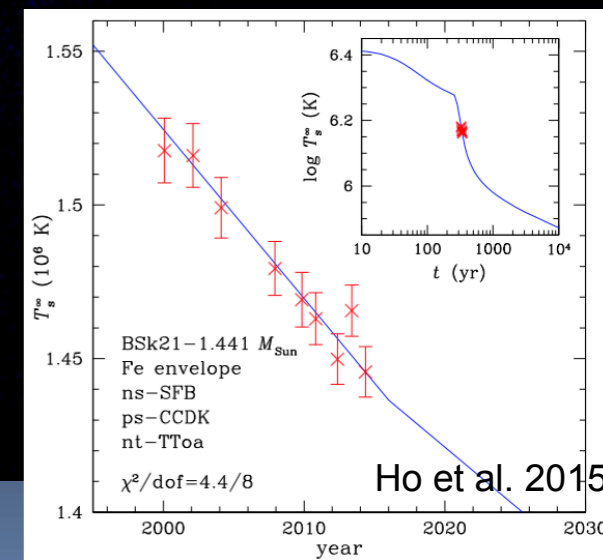


Hwang & Laming 2012

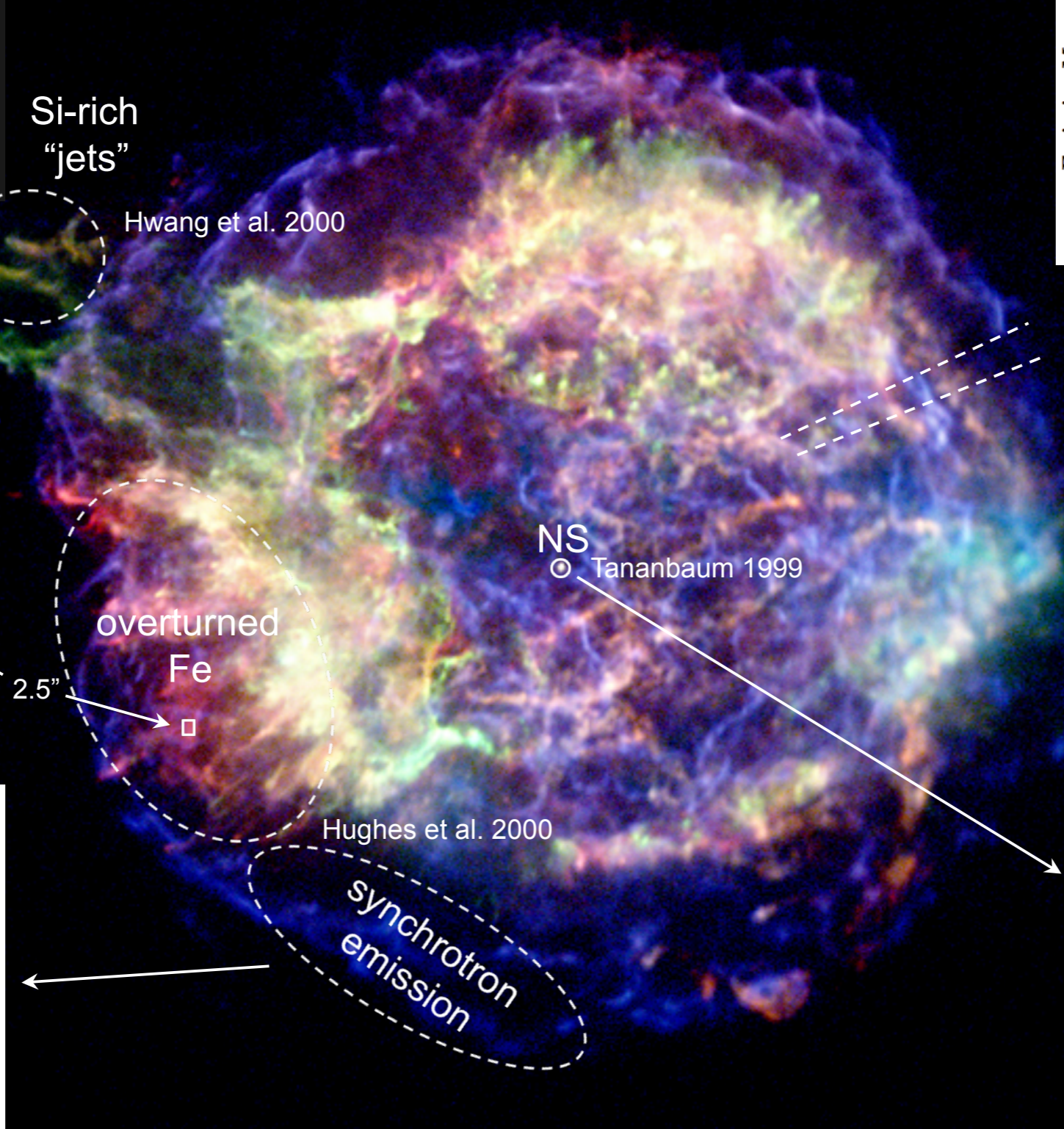
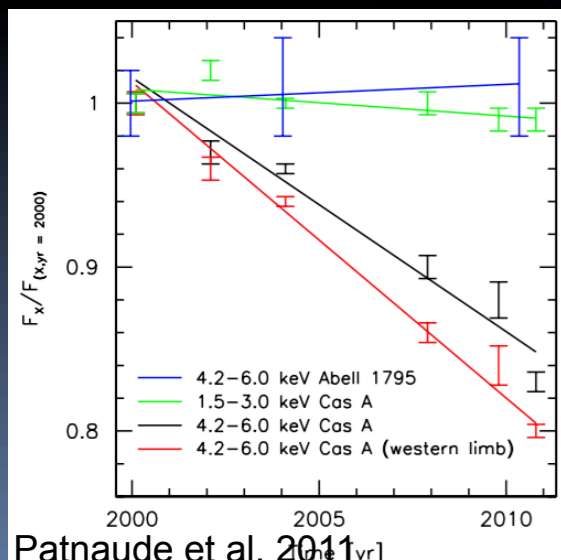


DeLaney et al. 2010

NS cooling



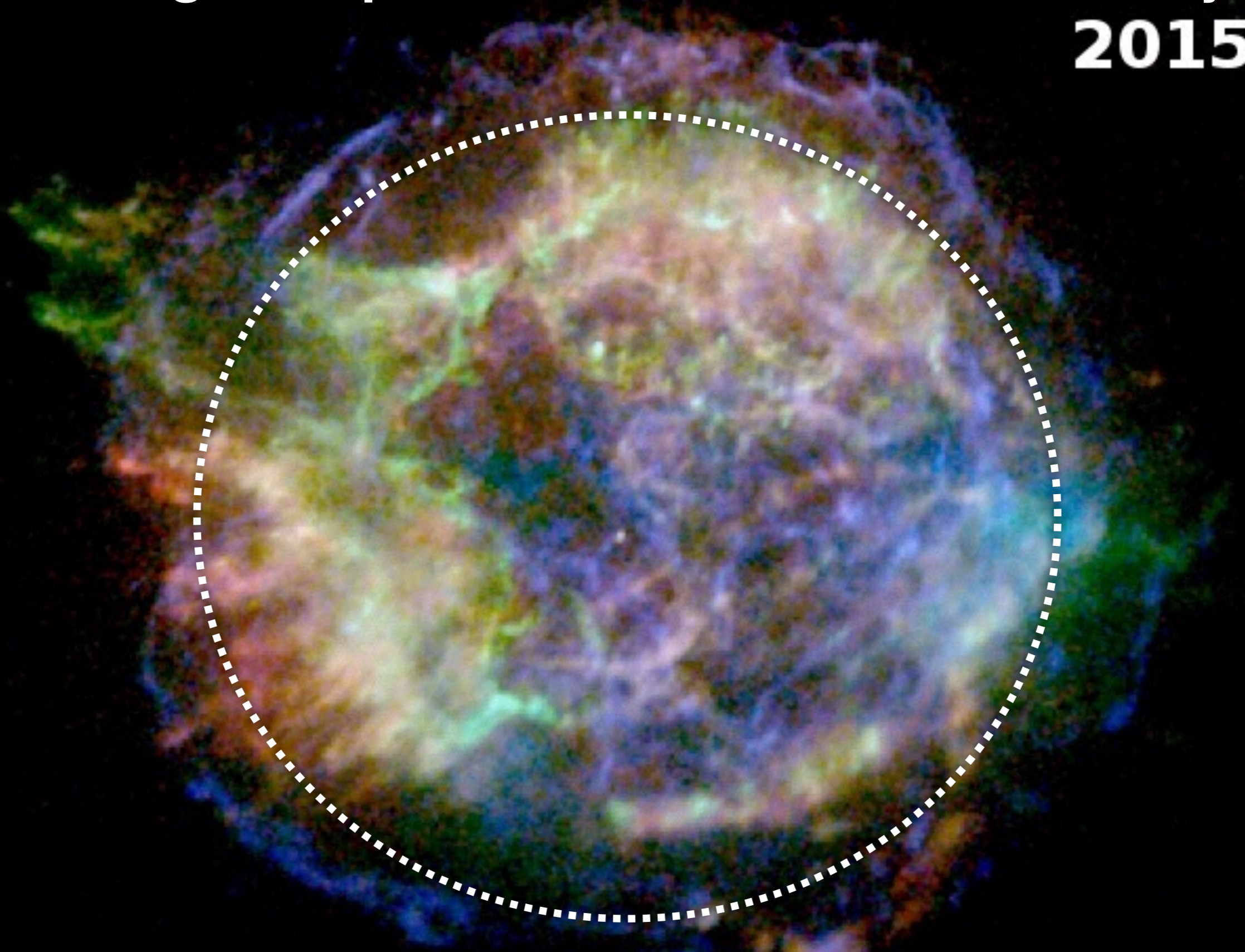
nonthermal flux decline



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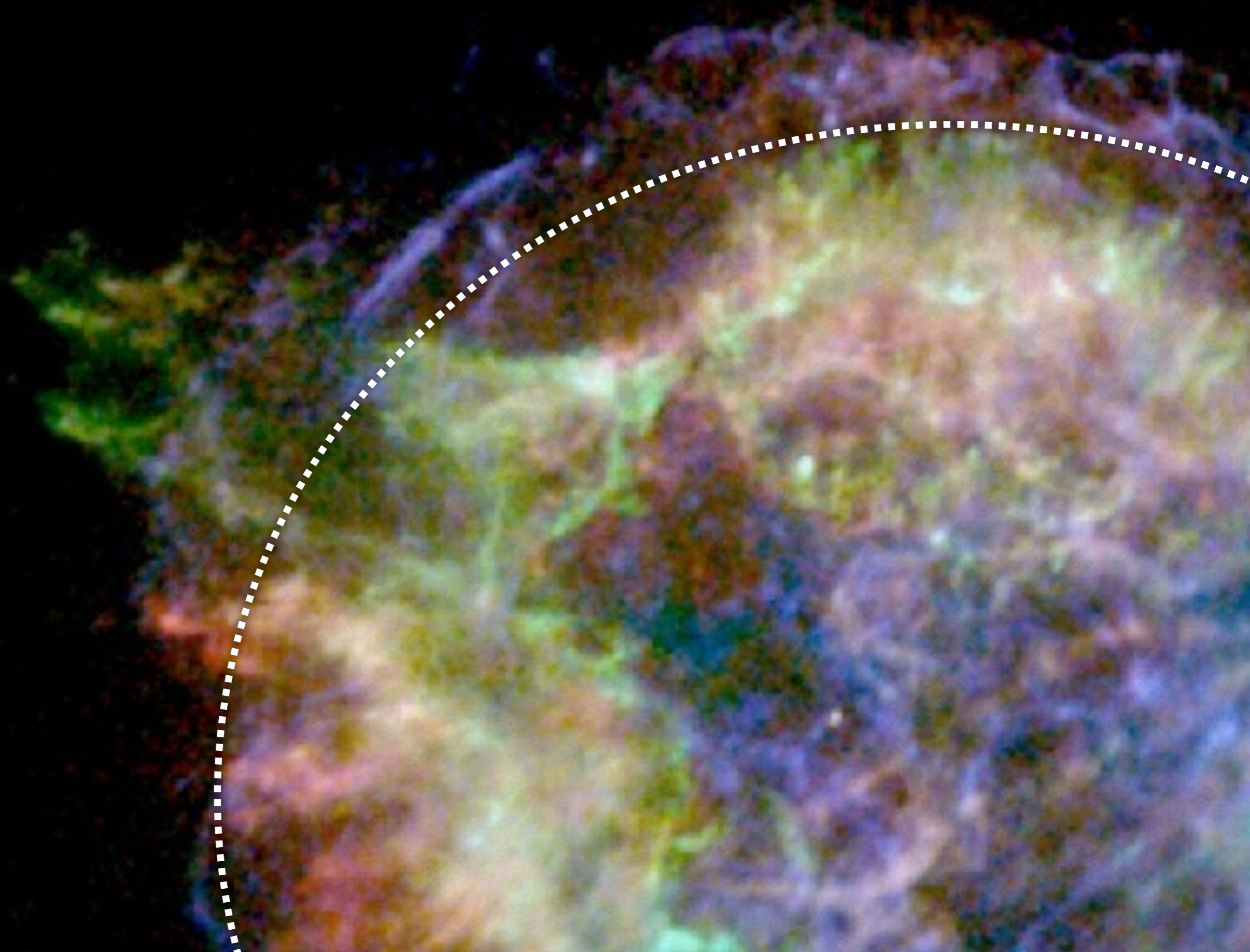
Strengths: Spatial Resolution and Sensitivity

2015

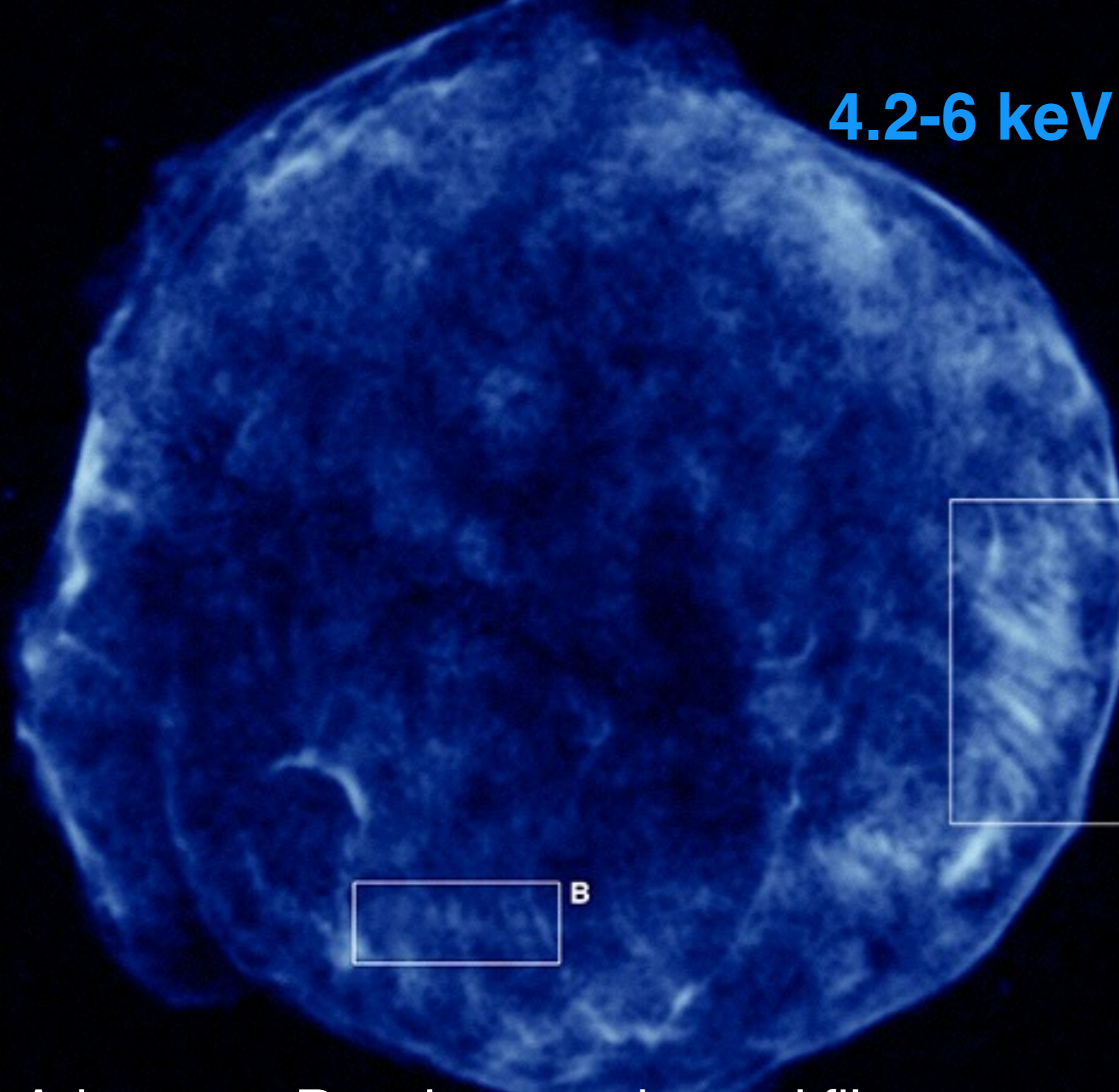


Advances: Detect expansion and get explosion site;
identify neutron stars

Strengths: Spatial Resolution and Sensitivity

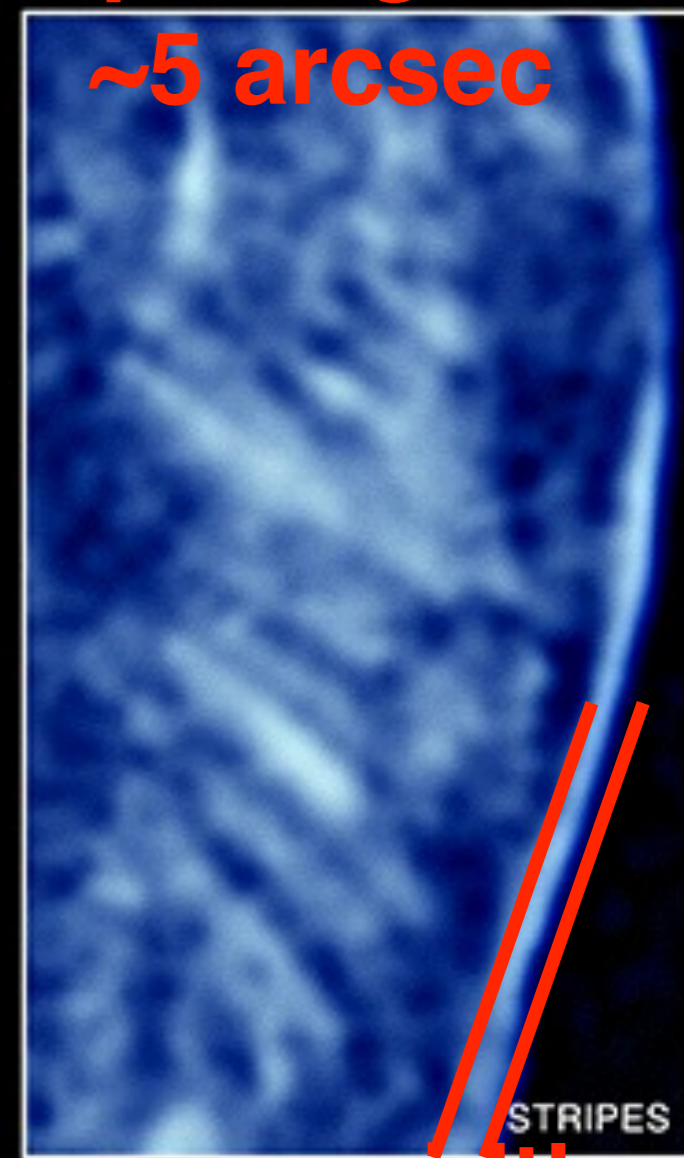


Strengths: Spatial Resolution and Sensitivity



4.2-6 keV

Spacings of
~5 arcsec



STRIPES

<3 arcsec width

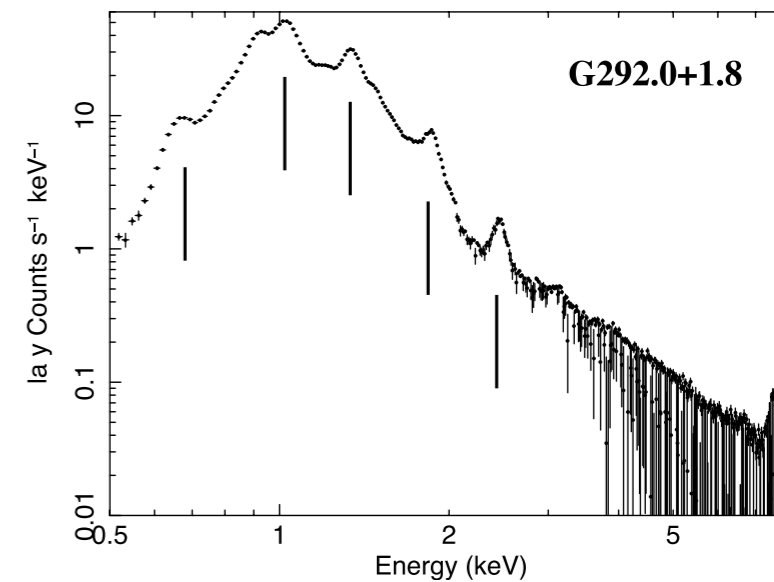
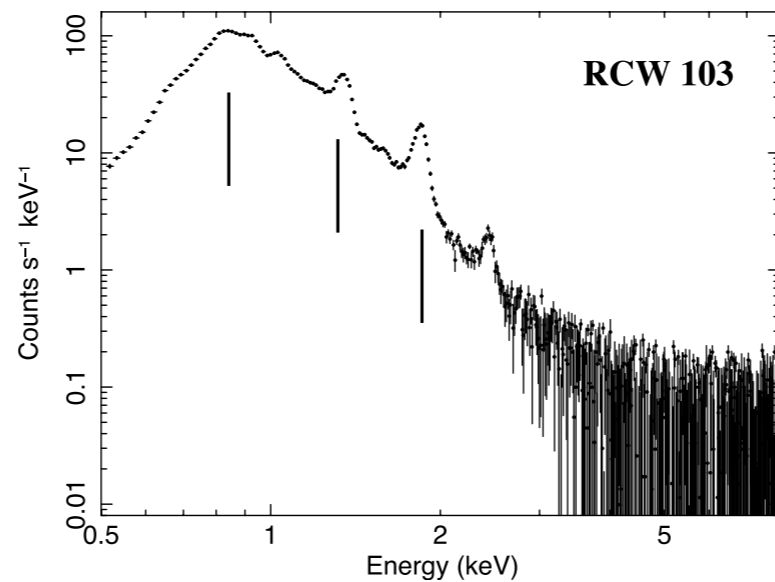
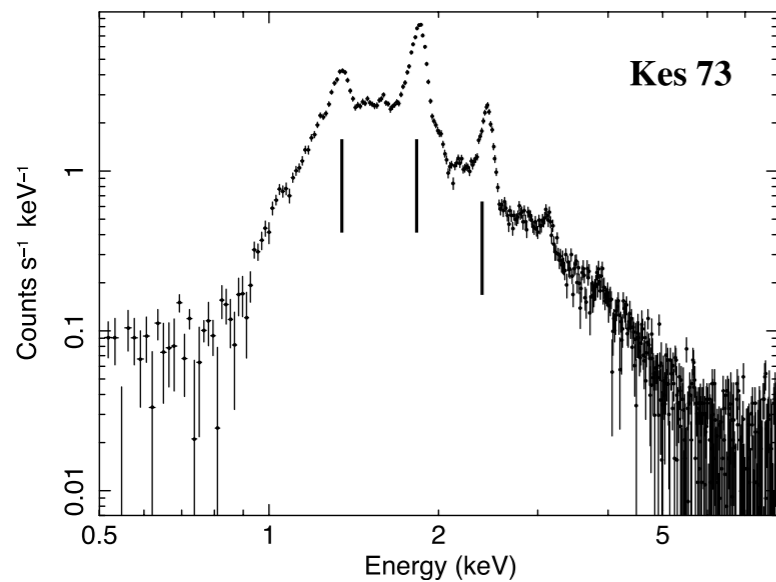
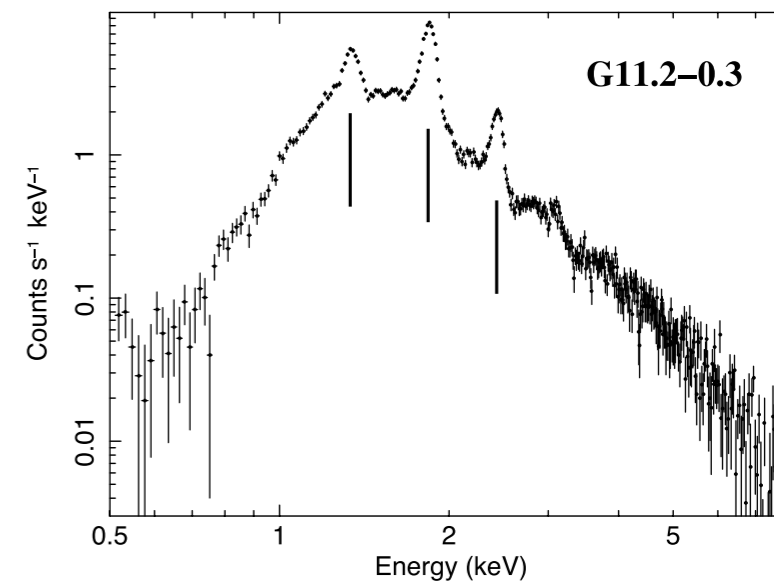
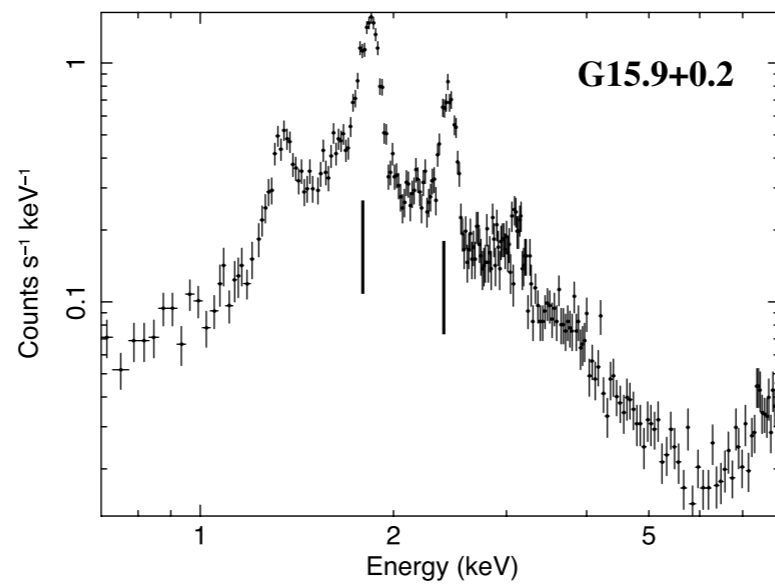
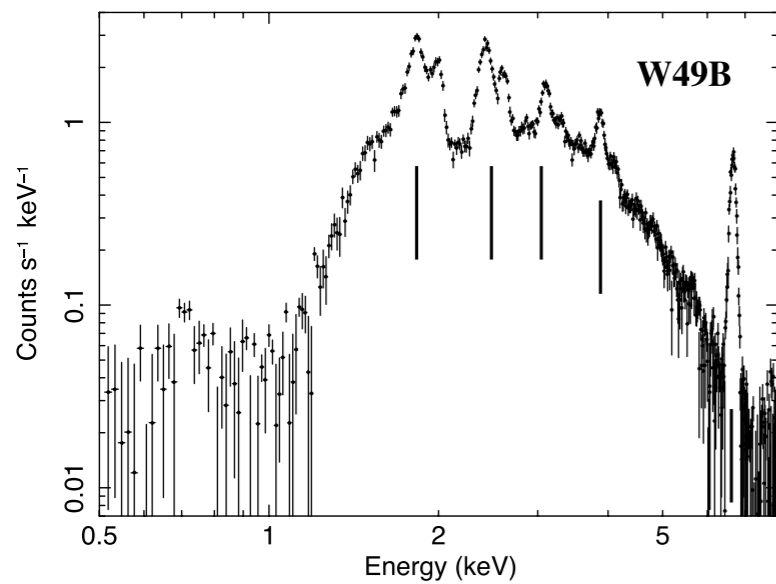
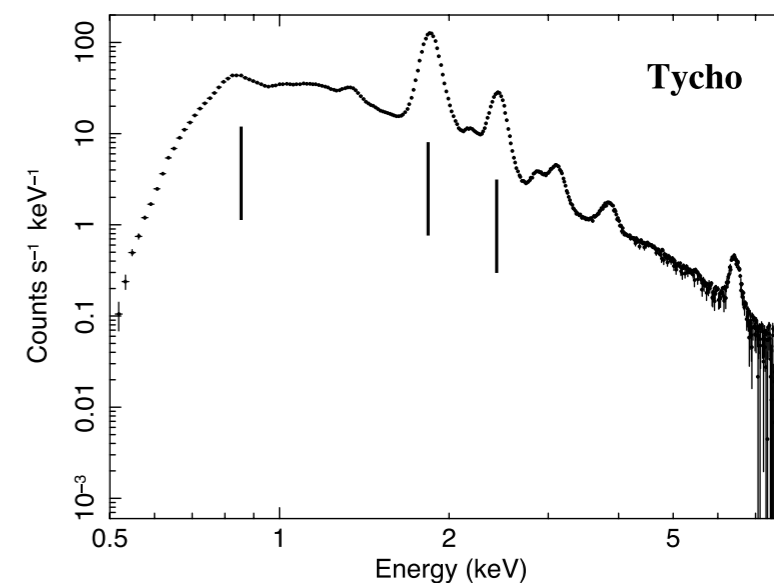
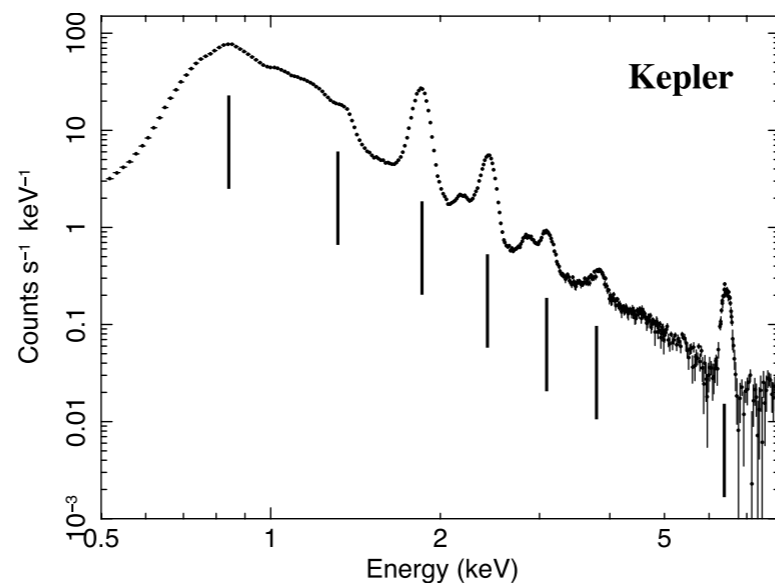
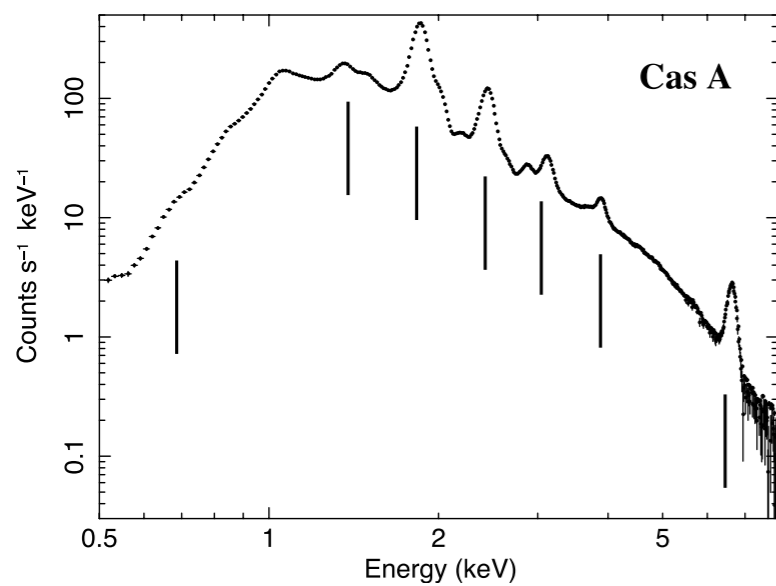


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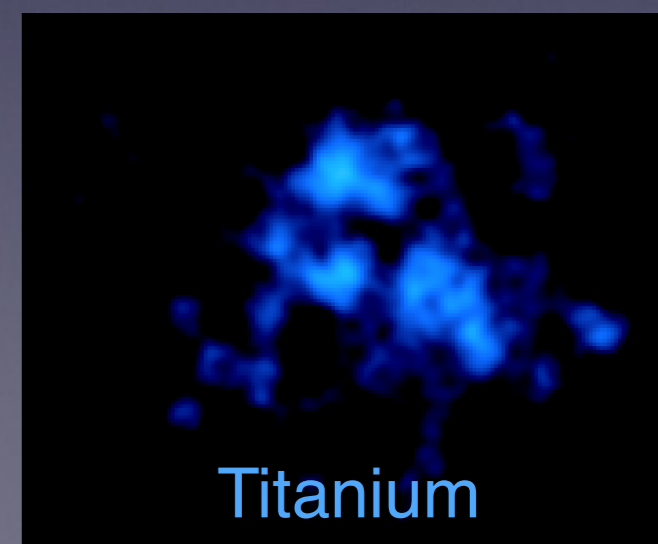
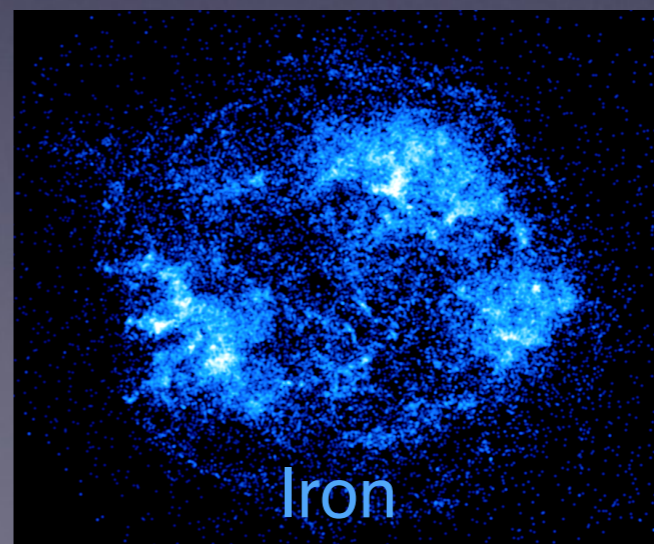
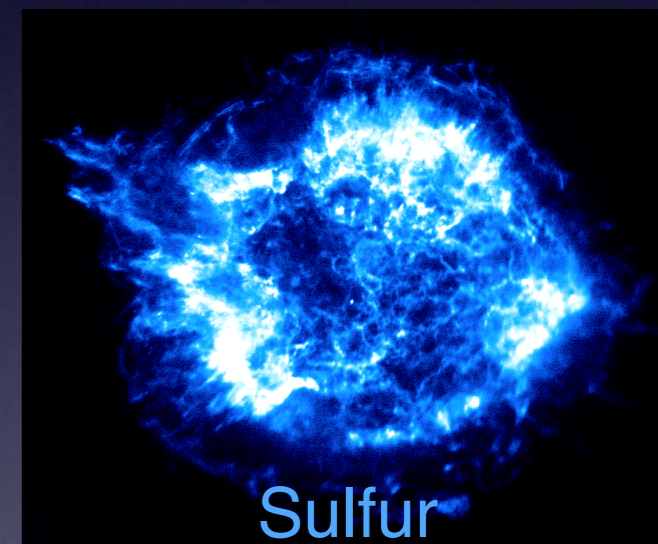
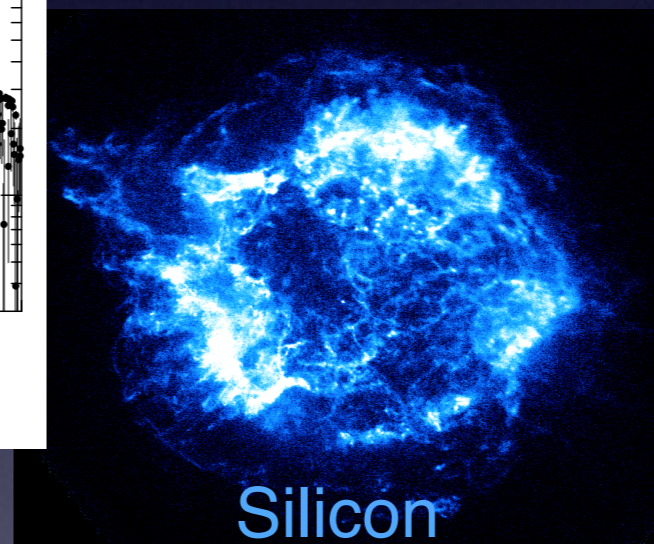
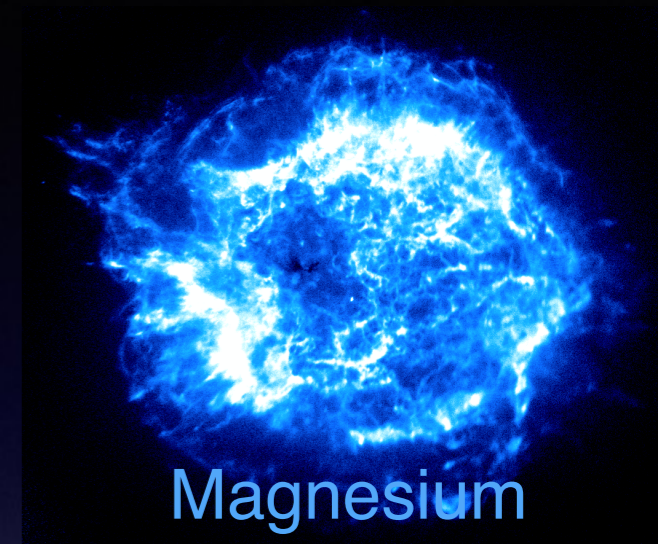
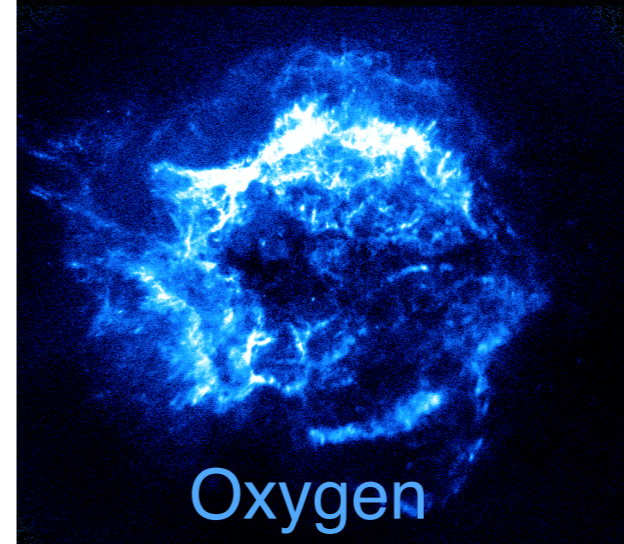
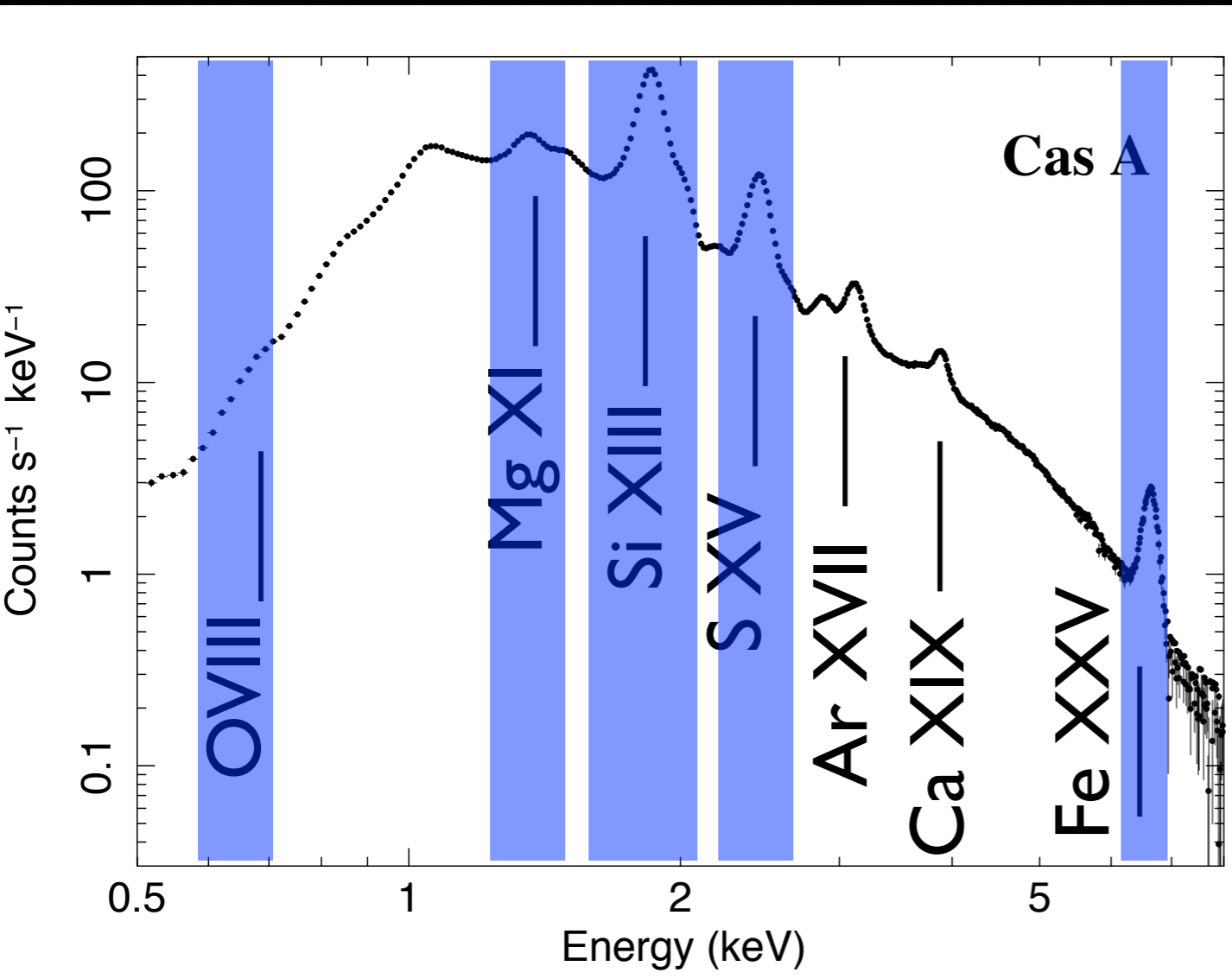
Advances: Resolve non-thermal filaments
Constrain particle acceleration properties

Eriksen et al. 2011

Strengths: Moderate Energy Resolution of CCDs

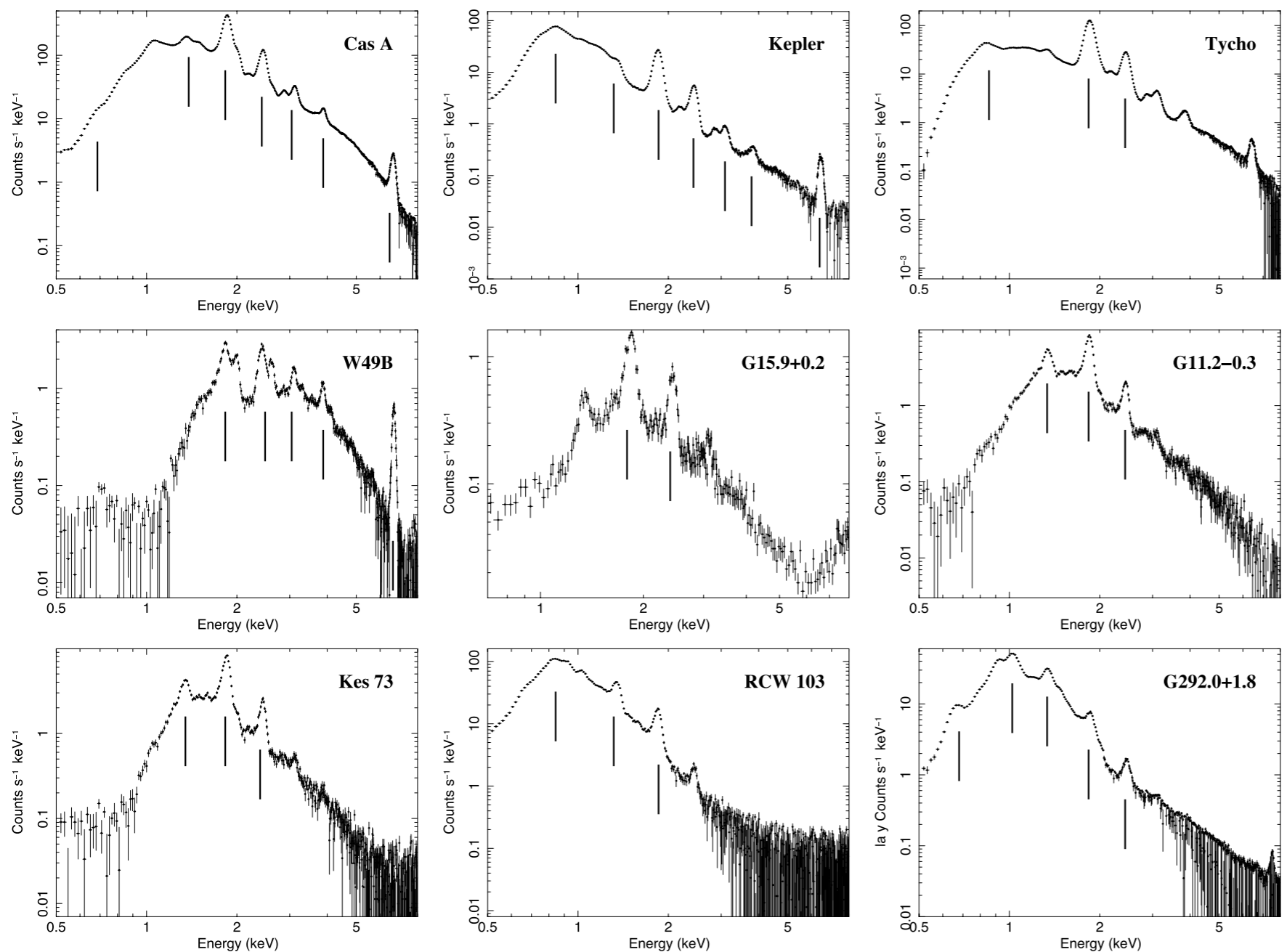


Strengths: Narrow-band Images of Metals



Advances: Metals can have vastly different morphologies

Strengths: Moderate Energy Resolution of CCDs



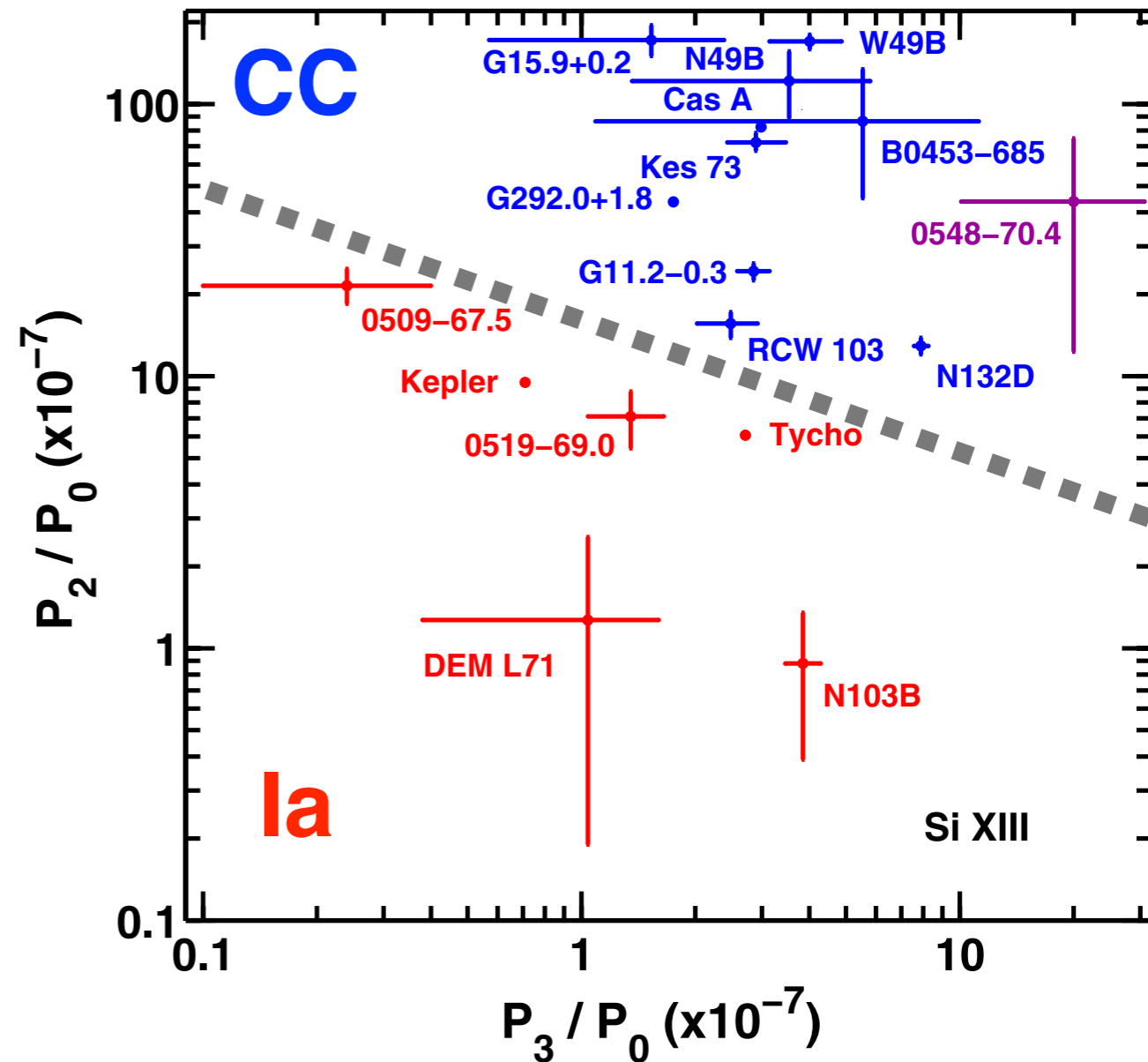
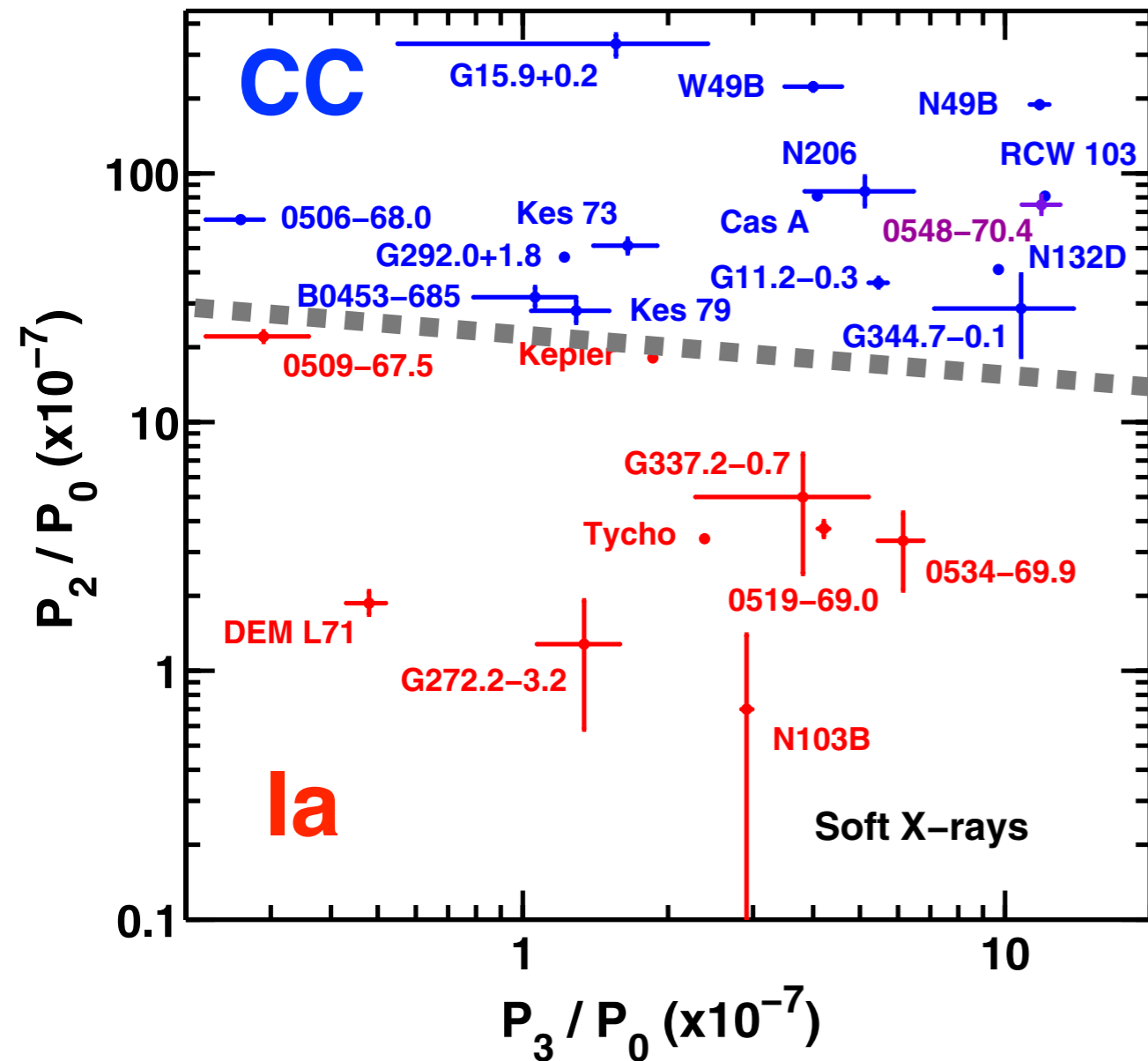
We get:
-column density
-temperature
-ionization state
-relative metal abundances
-emission measure

Lopez et al. 2011

Advances: Spectra enable typing of SNRs (Type Ia or core-collapse) using abundance ratios (e.g., O/Fe) or via identification of central NSs or pulsar wind nebulae

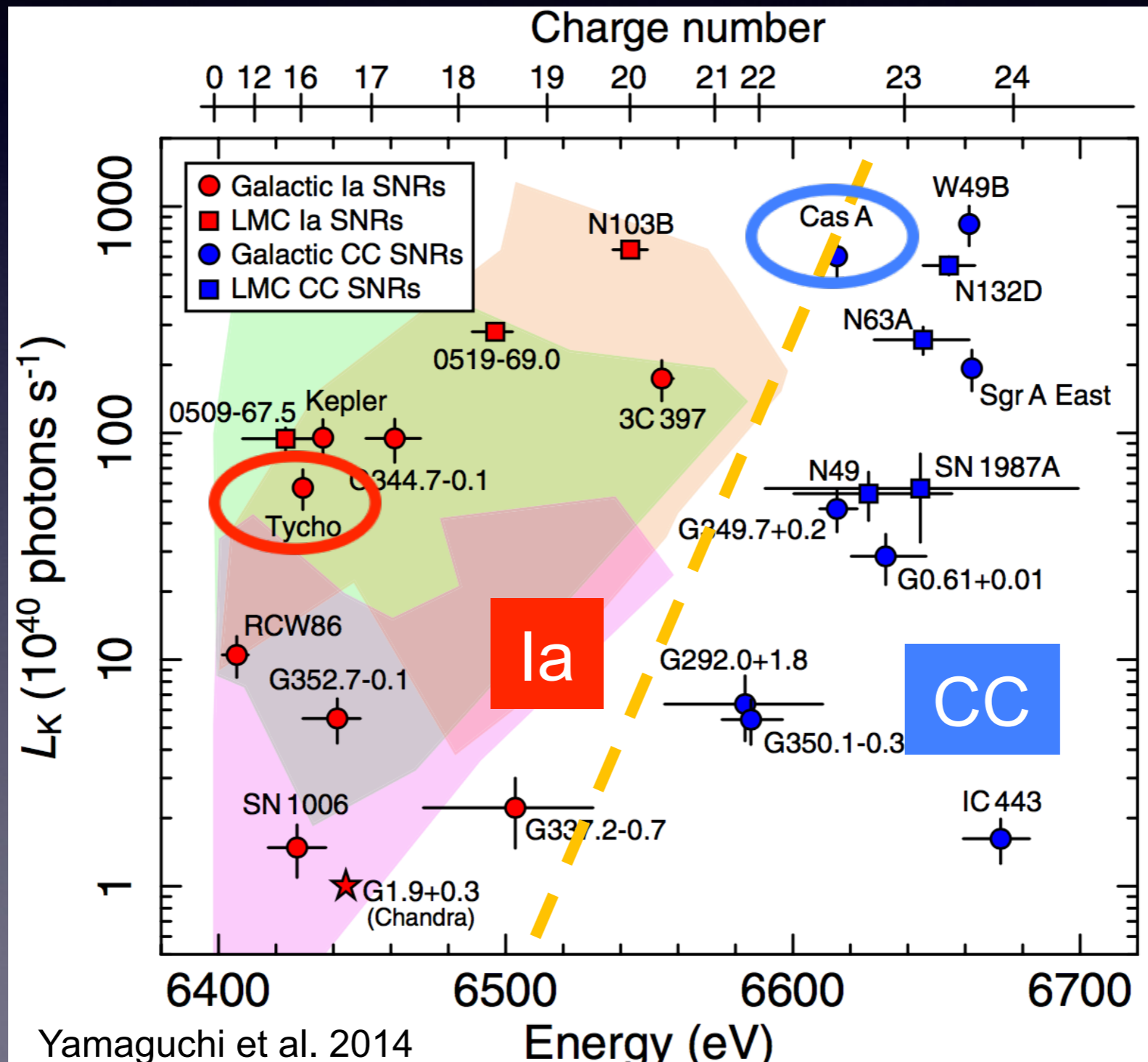
Advances: Other Ways of Typing SNRs

Typing SNRs through spectra enabled us to explore other ways to probe explosive origin - Type Ia SNRs have more circular and mirror symmetric X-ray emission than CC SNRs



Advances: Other Ways of Typing SNRs

Fe K centroid gives types (Type Ia SNRs have lower Fe K centroid energy than CC SNRs), likely because of different ejecta density structures

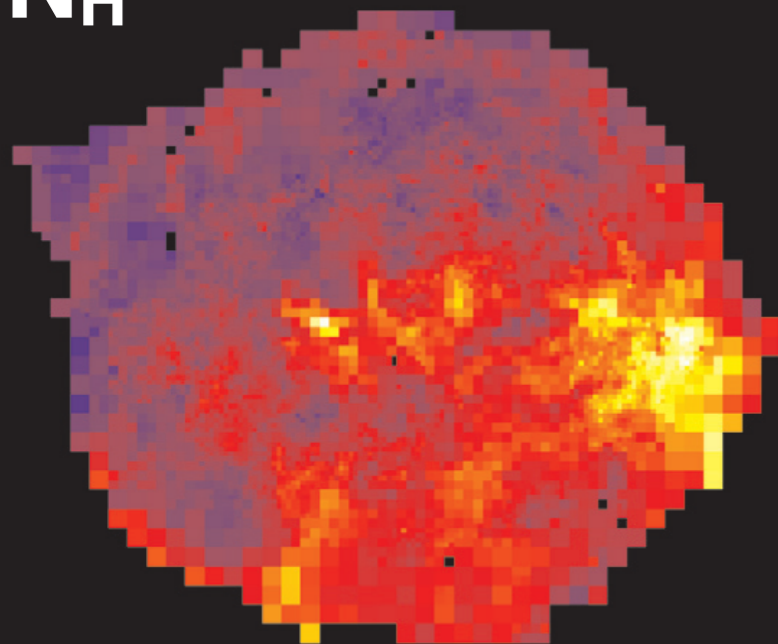


Yamaguchi et al. 2014

Strengths: Spatially-Resolved Spectroscopy

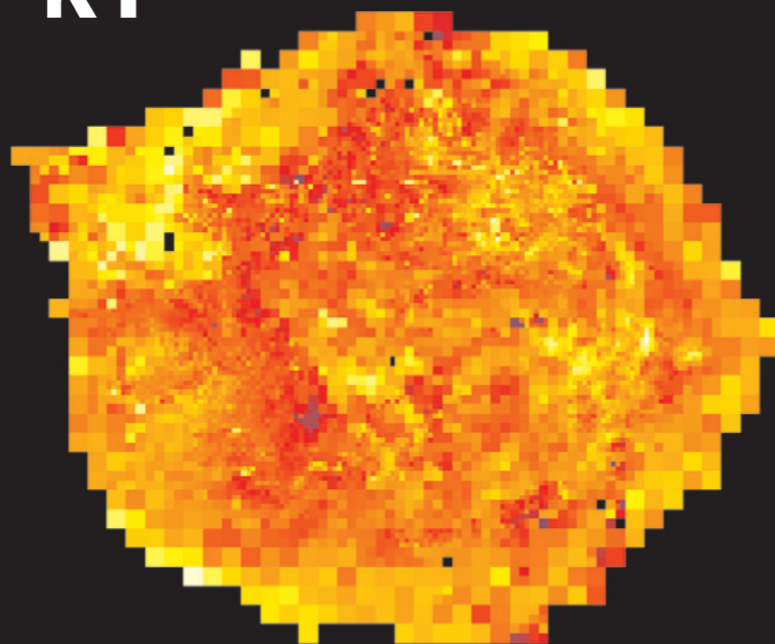
N_H

N_H (10²² cm⁻²)



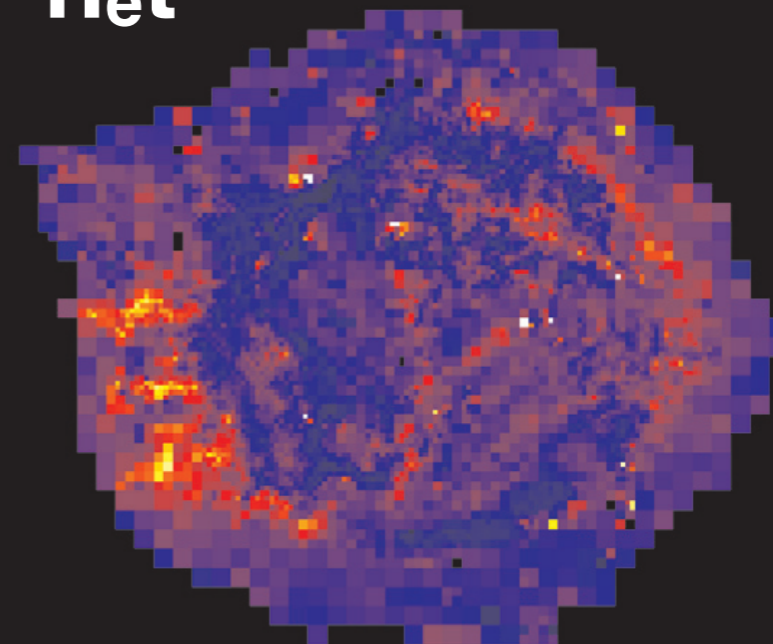
kT

kT (keV)



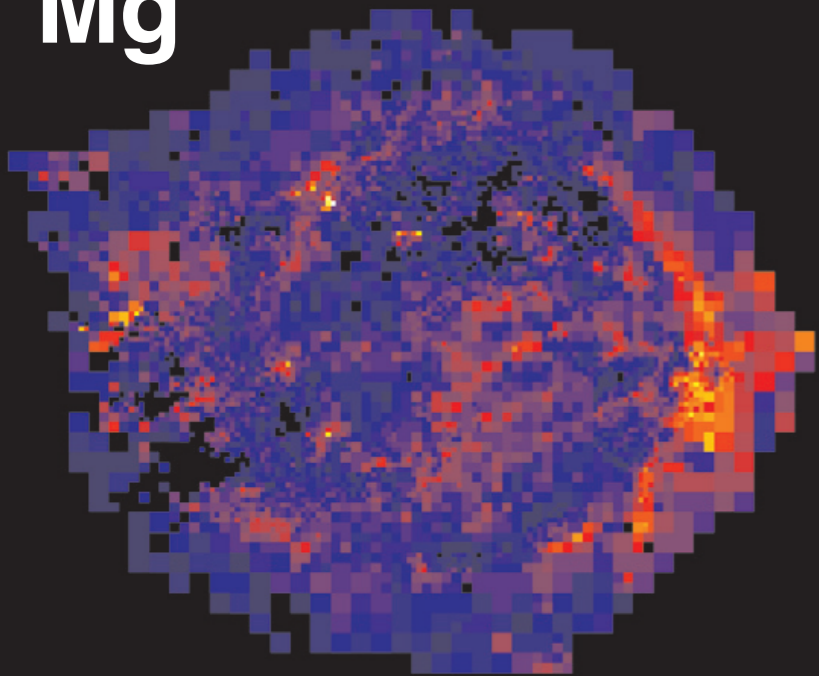
n_{et}

n_{et} (cm⁻³s)



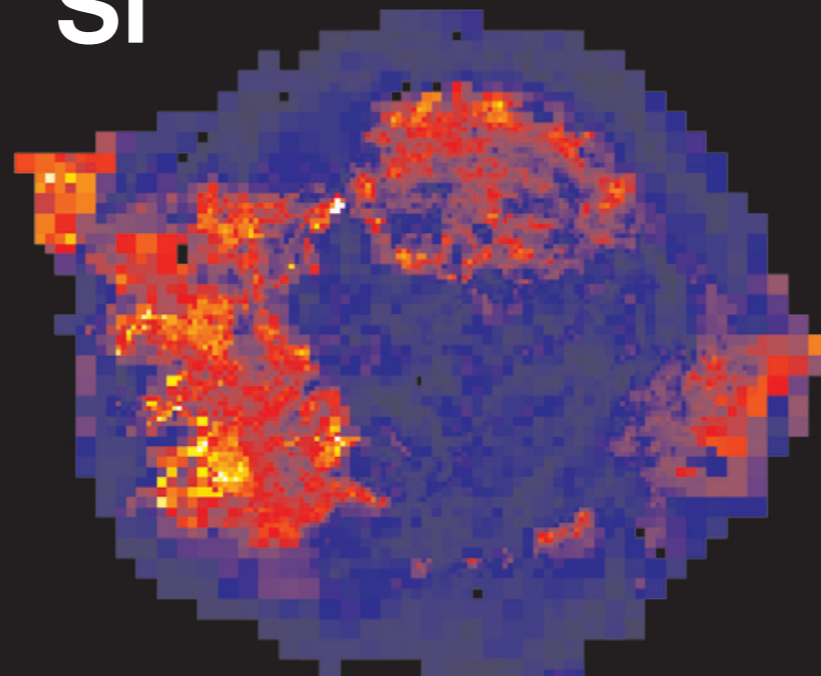
Mg

Mg



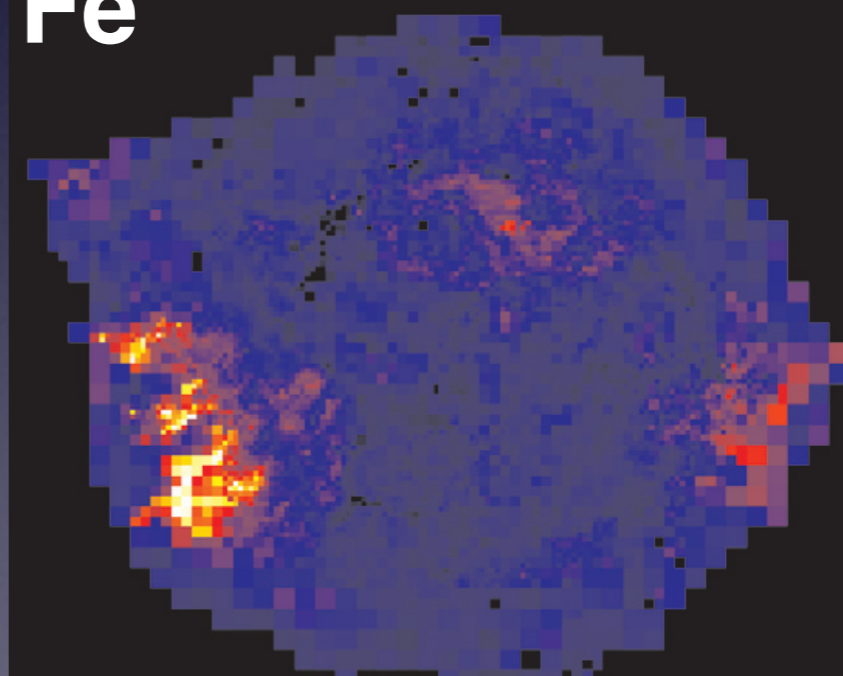
Si

Si



Fe

Fe



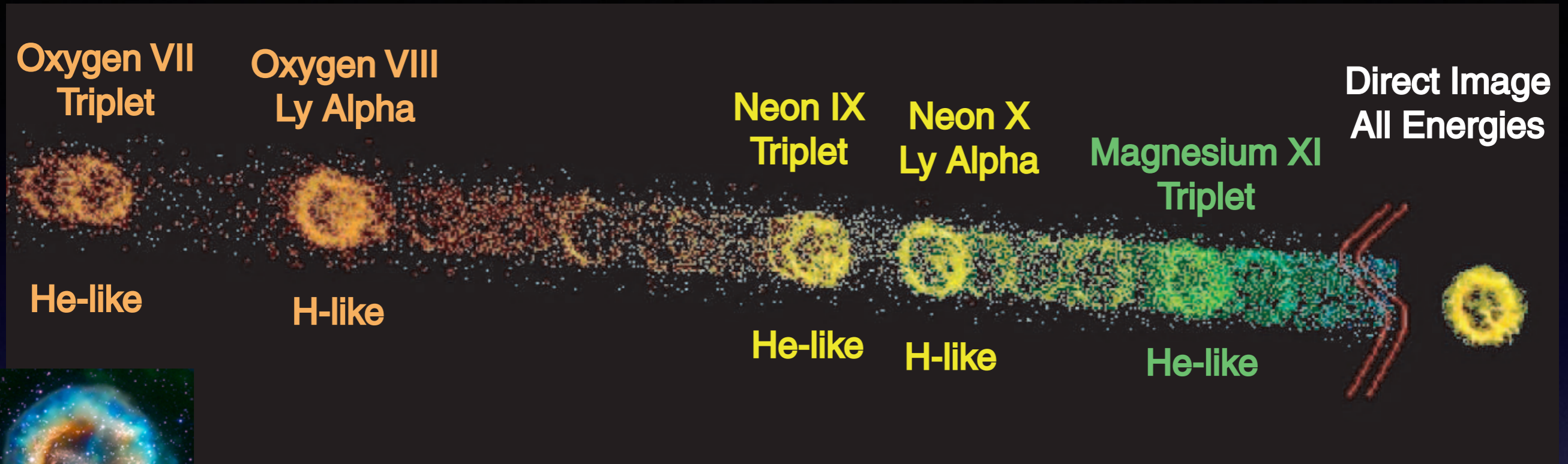
Hwang & Laming 2012

Advances: 2D knowledge of thermal plasma properties

Supernova Remnants - Available Samples

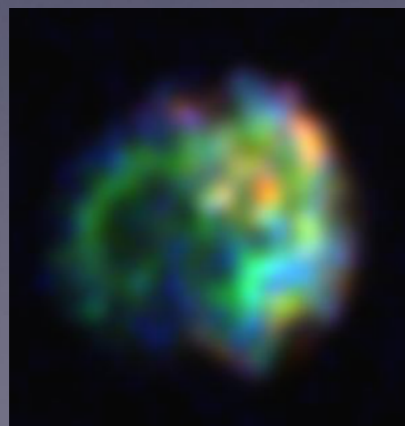
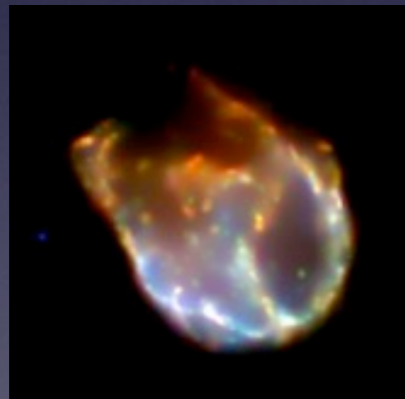
- 375 SNRs in Milky Way, LMC, and SMC (Badenes et al. 2010, Green 2014). ~46 in M31, >100 in M33 (Long et al. 2010, Sasaki et al. 2012)
- ~45 SNRs within 5 kpc (Kaplan et al. 2004)
- ~170 MW SNRs have been detected with X-ray telescopes
- ~110 are <20' in diameter
- ~20 are classified as Type Ia SNRs based on abundances
- ~70 have detected neutron stars
- >40 have pulsar wind nebulae

Room for Improvement: Using Gratings on SNRs



SNR 1E 0102.2-7219

Flanagan et al. 2004



Dewey 2002

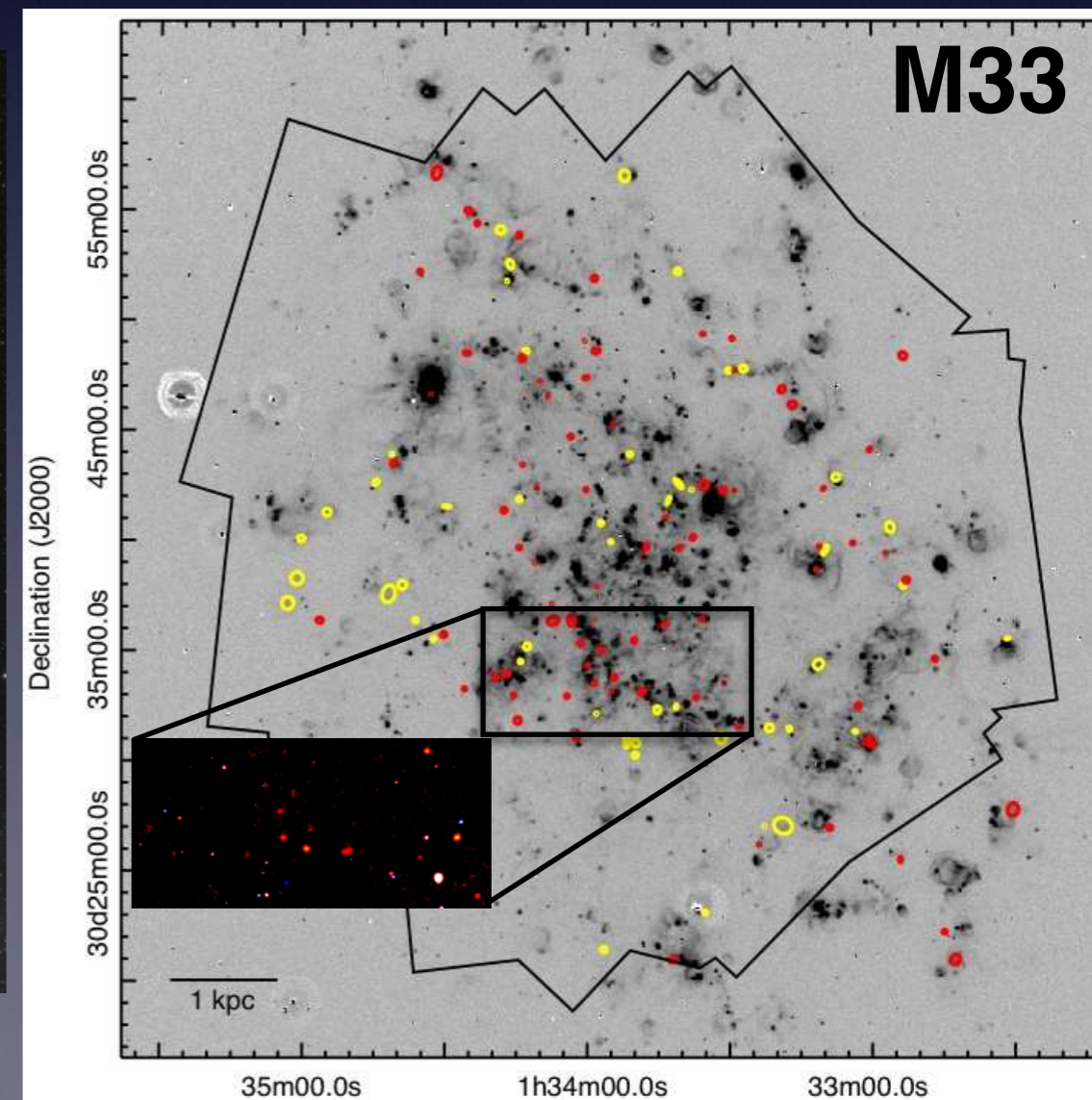
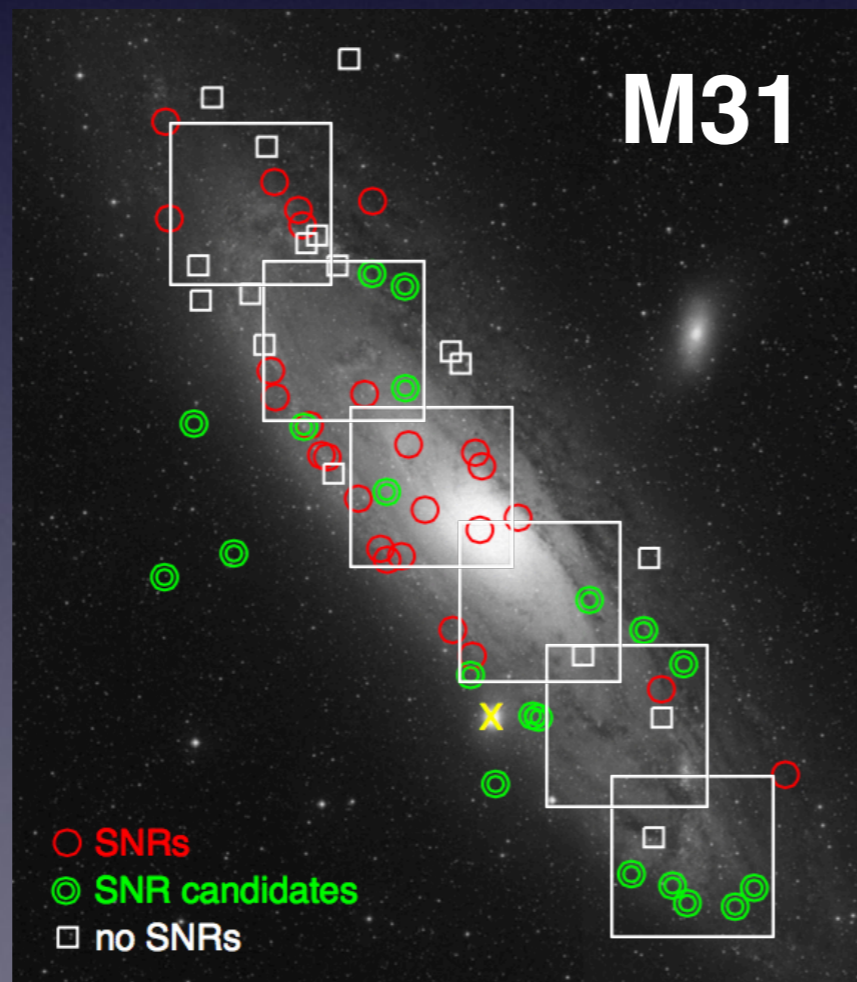
Room for Improvement: Sensitivity to Study Extragalactic Samples of SNRs

Hundreds of SNRs in Local Group galaxies.

In ~ 200 ks exposures of M33 with *Chandra*, \sim half of SNRs were detected and only $\sim 10\%$ had sufficient counts to do spectral analysis. Most SNRs have not been “typed”.

Left: 46 SNRs + candidates (Sasaki et al. 2012)

Right: 137 SNRs + candidates (Long et al. 2010)



Supernova Remnants in 3D with Lynx

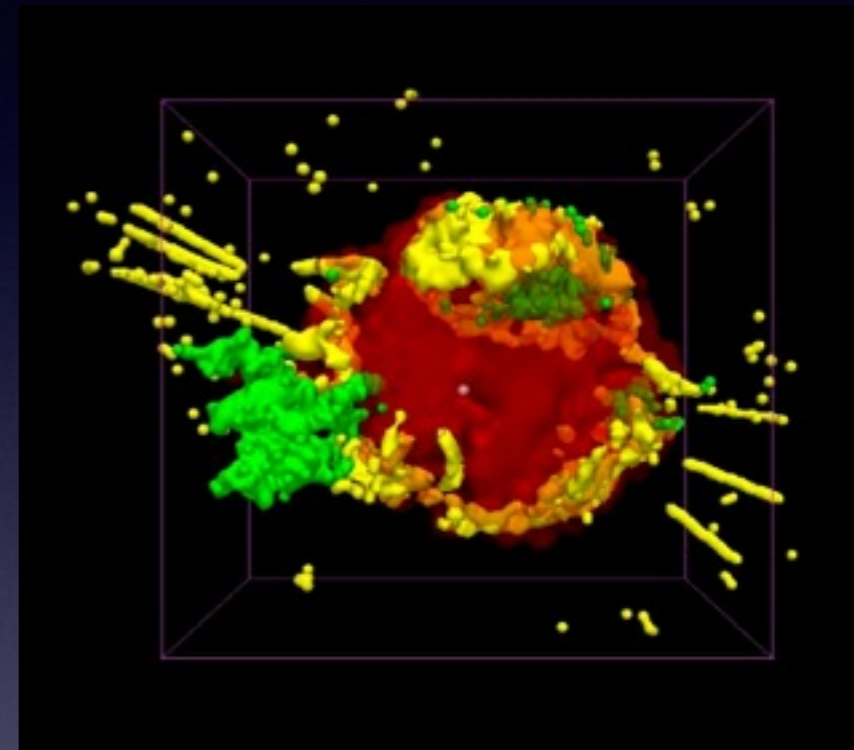
Observe young (ejecta-dominated) SNRs with micro-cal to determine mass, composition, motion of ejecta knots and shock physics (heating and equilibration timescale)

★ Cas A, G292.0+1.8, G11.2-0.3, G15.9+0.2, RCW 103, Kes 79, W49B, Kes 73, RCW 86, Tycho, Kepler, SN 1006, 3C 397, G344.7-0.1, G272.2-3.2

Measure SNR expansions (via proper motions) and neutron star velocities using Chandra+Lynx
 $v = 1000 \text{ km/s}$ is $0.4''$ in 10 years for $D = 5 \text{ kpc}$

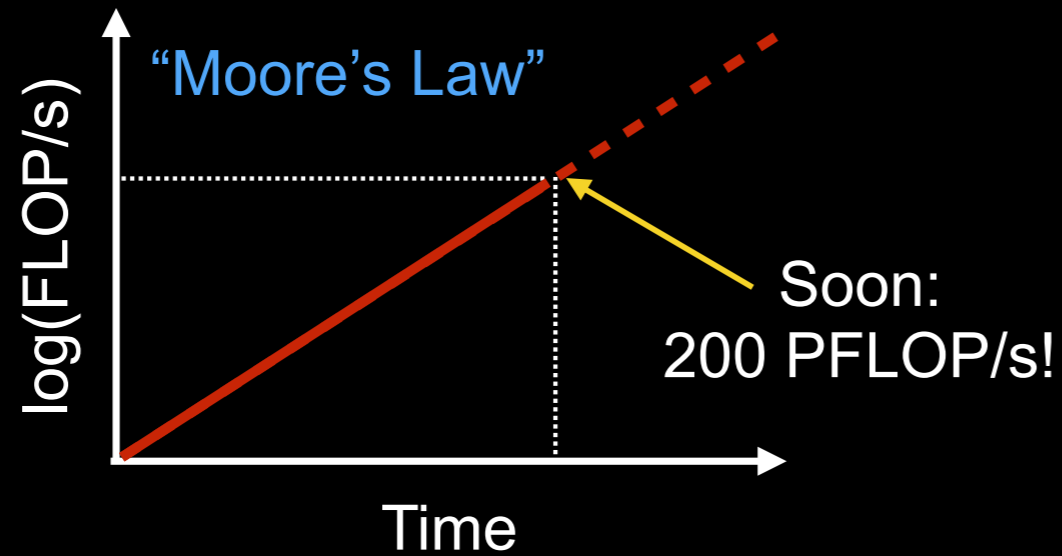
Spectra+proper motions give 3D structure of ejecta, key to probing explosion asymmetries and density distributions of ejecta and CSM.

Ultimate aim: test SN models

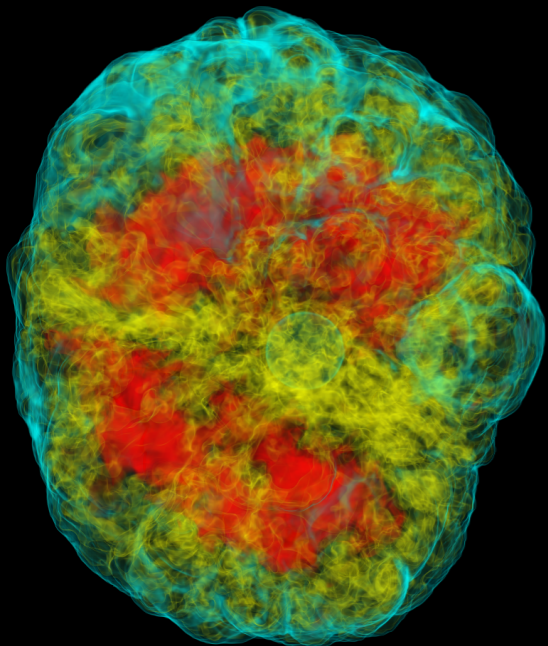


DeLaney et al. 2010

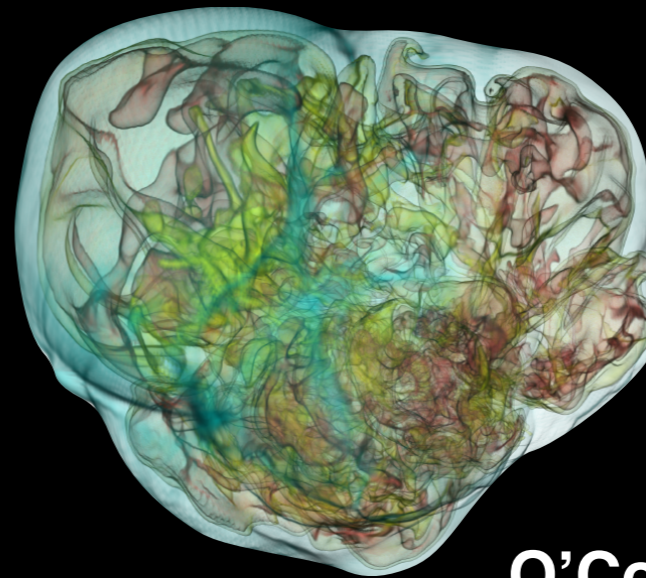
Era of 3D CCSN Simulation



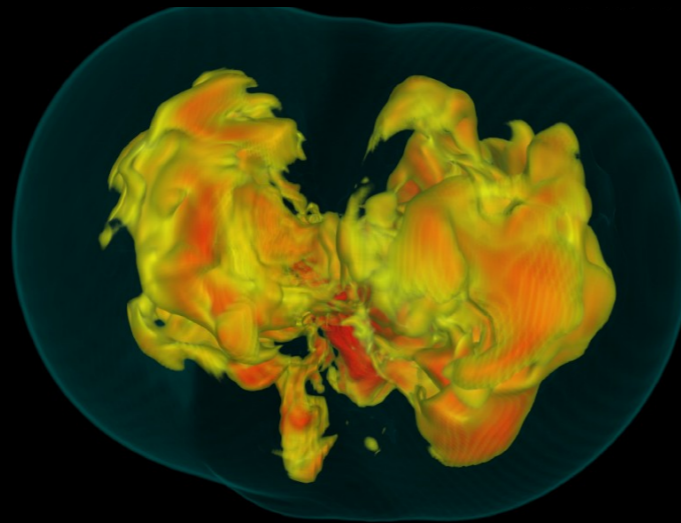
Roberts et al. (2016)



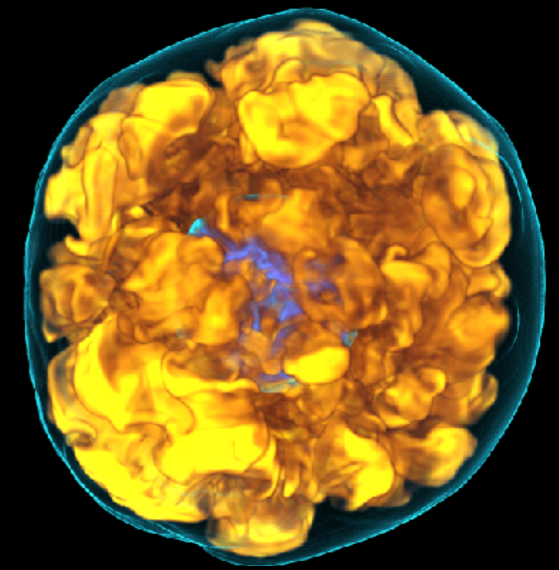
Lentz et al. (2016)



Janka et al. (2016)



O’Connor & Couch, in prep

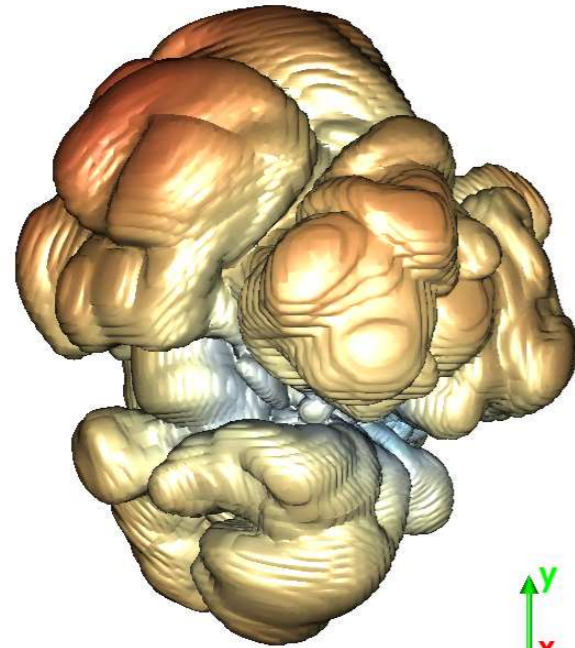


Using 3D explosions, simulators find:
Large-scale compositional asymmetries
Neutron stars kicks up to 1,000 km/s
Light curves match observations

From: Sean Couch

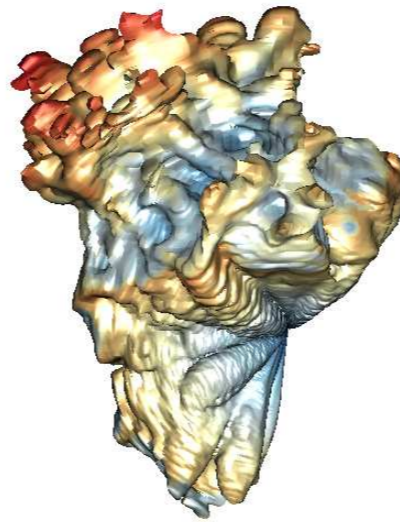
Morphology of radioactive ^{56}Ni in two 3D CC SN models

L15-le/he: 1.4 s



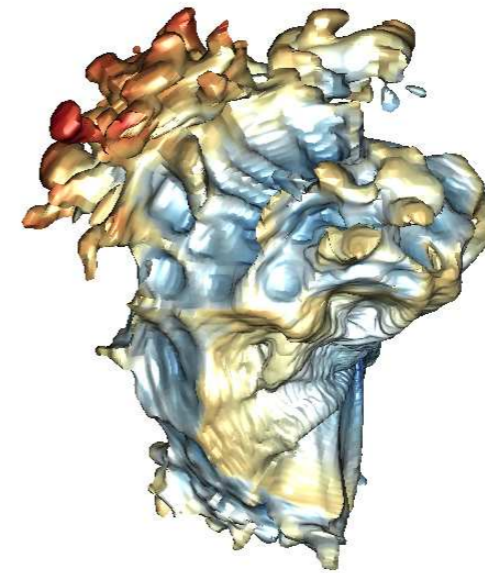
3e8 cm

L15-le: 111350 s

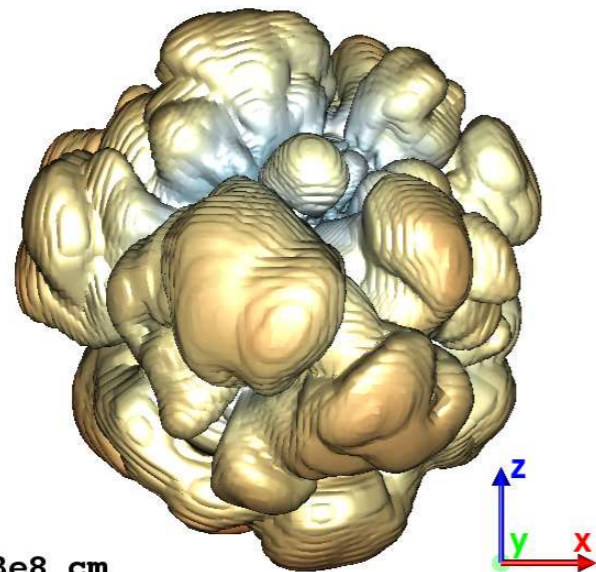


1e13 cm

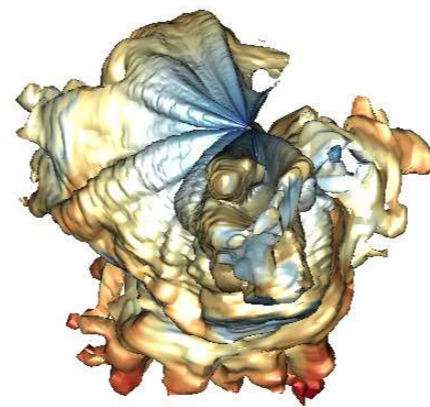
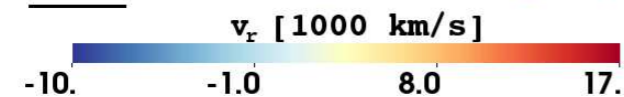
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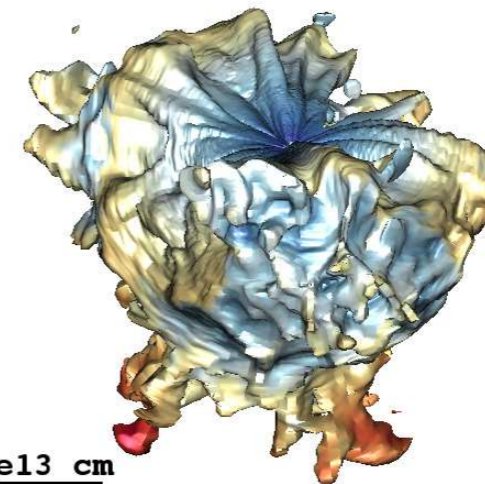
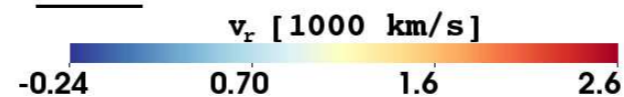
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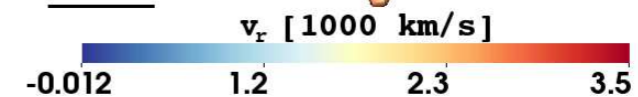
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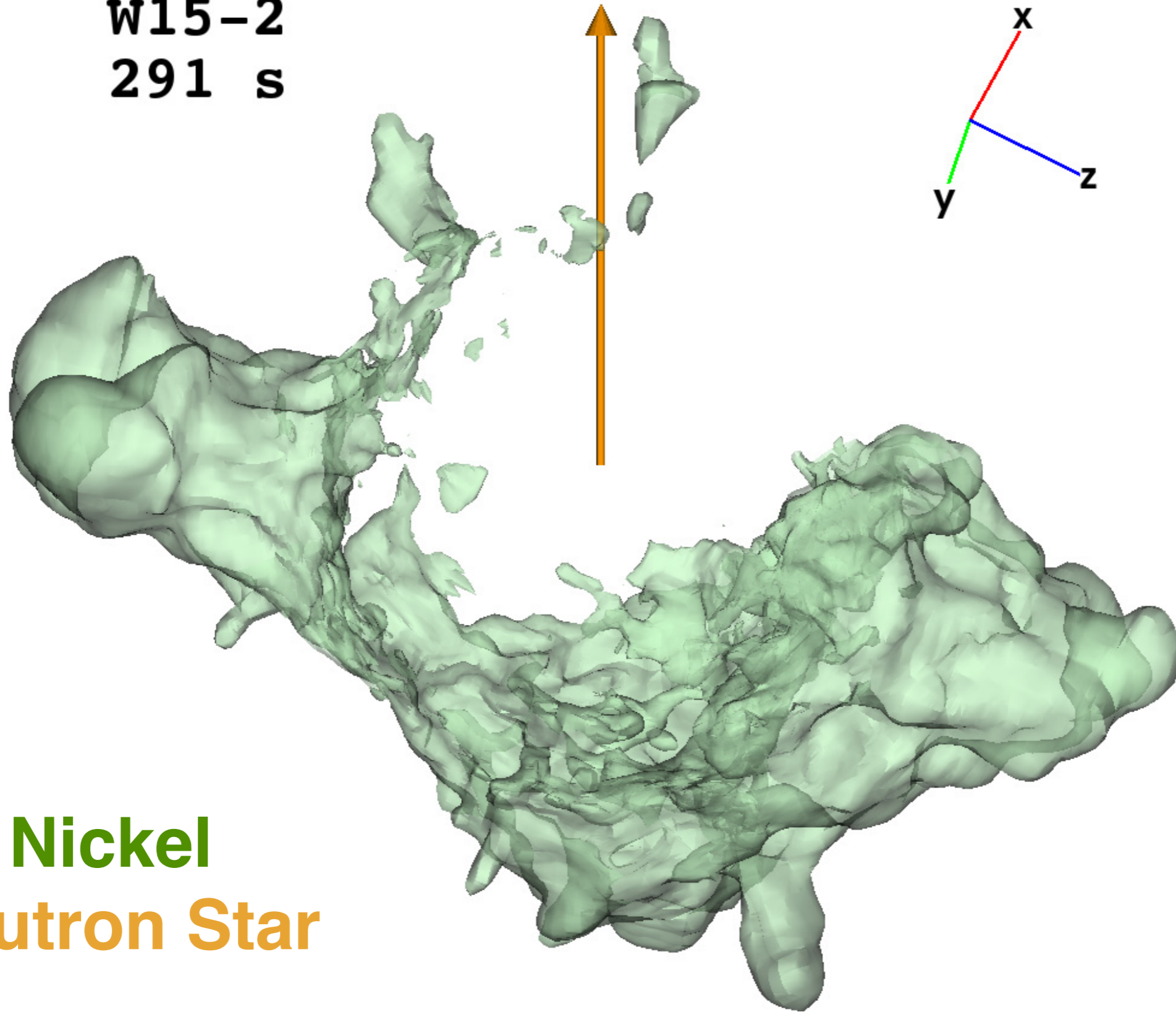


Colors represent velocities

Utrobin et al. 2017
arXiv: 1704.03800

3D Supernova Visualization

W15-2
291 s



Nickel

Neutron Star

Wongwathanarat et al. 2013

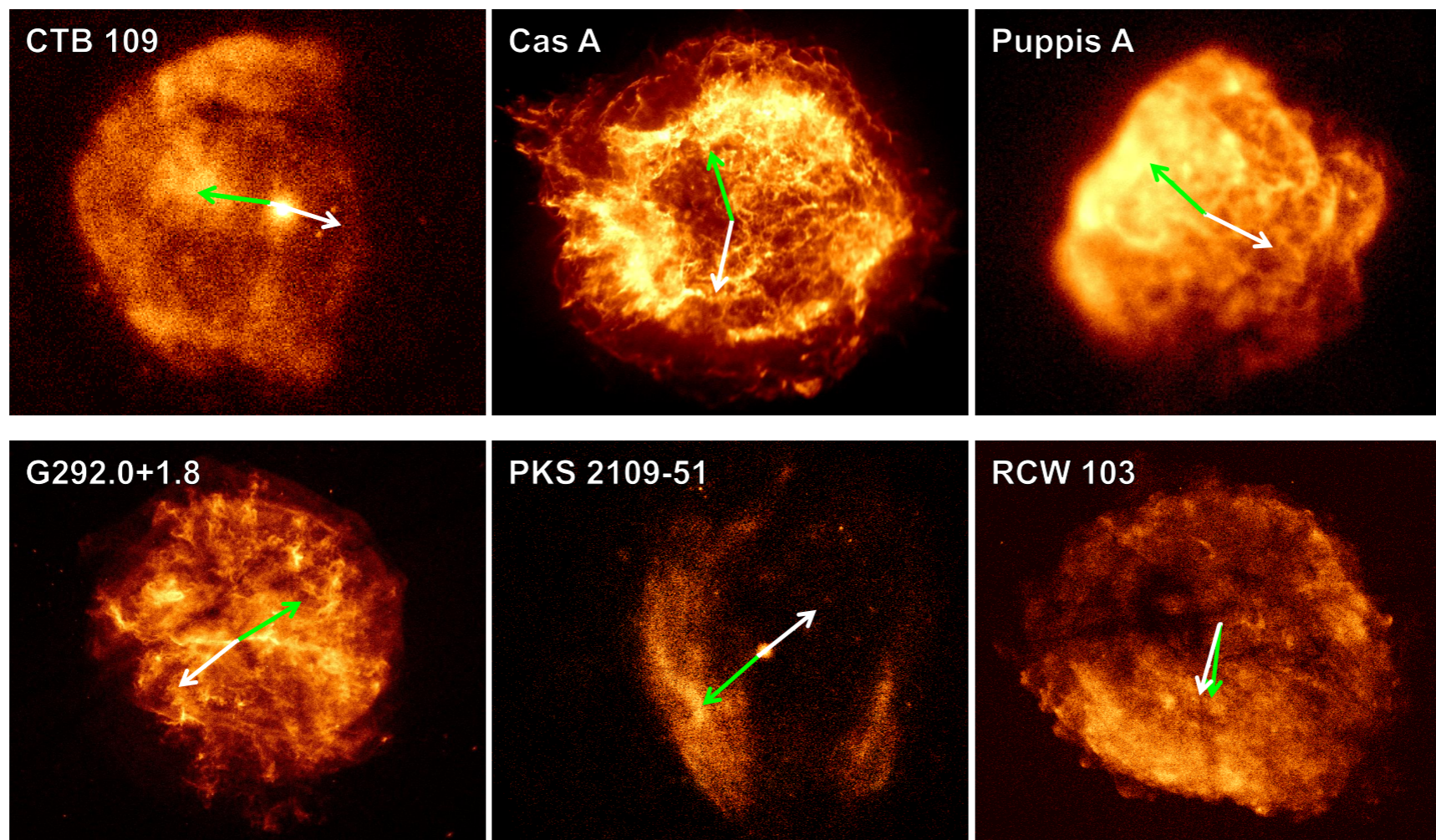
Predict heavy metals (Fe, Ti) trace explosion asymmetries

Measure Neutron Star Motion Relative to Ejecta

Measure NS proper motions and compare to narrow-band images of metals and 3D structure of ejecta

Analysis of Chandra data for small sample shows ejecta opposite to NS direction

Dipole Direction (bulk of ejecta);
Neutron Star Direction

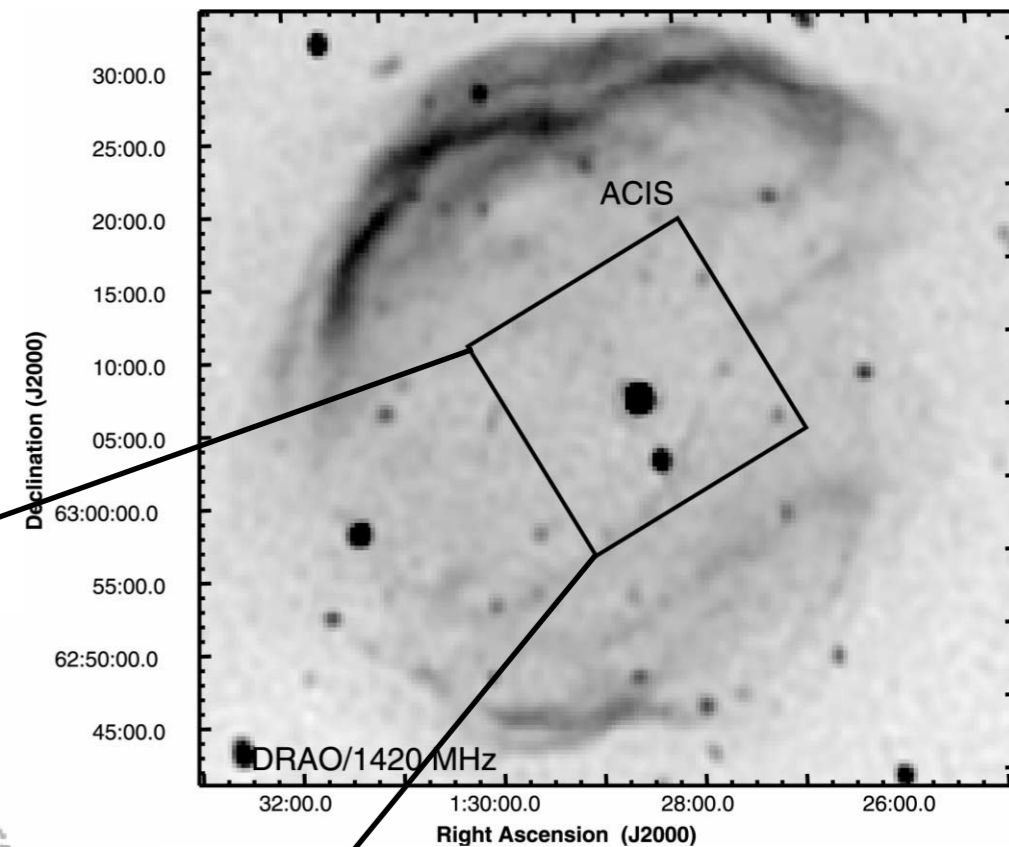
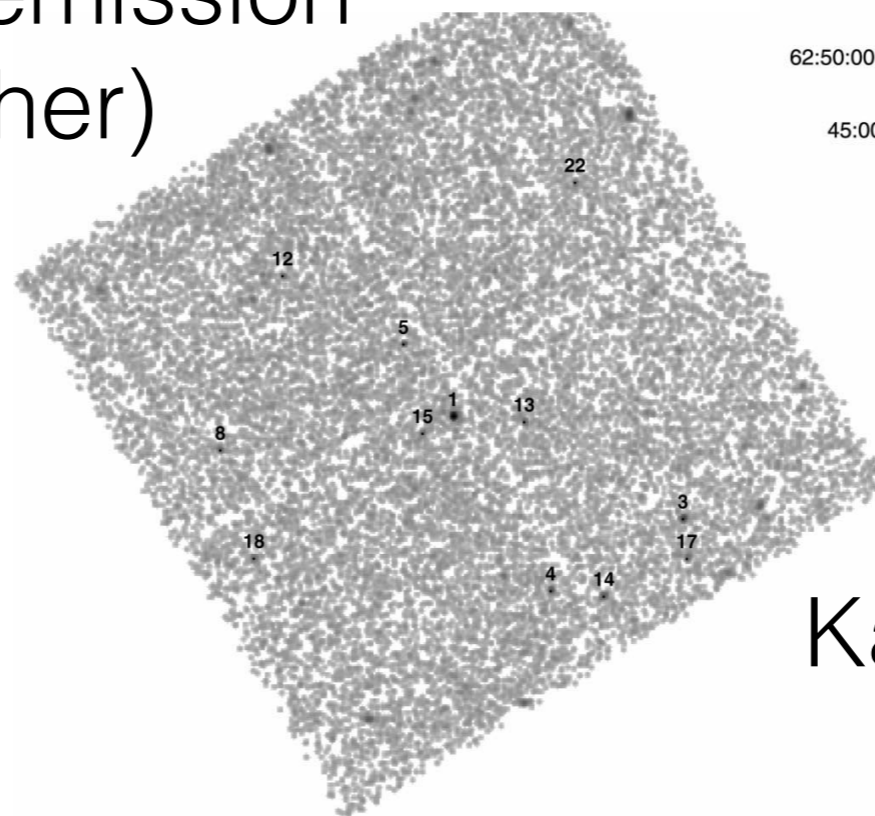


Holland-Ashford, Lopez et al. 2017

Measure Neutron Star Motion Relative to Ejecta

Micro-cal makes identification of NSs easy by detecting lines from chromospheres. Spatial resolution is crucial to localize NSs and measure proper motions.

Comparison to SN models is useful to test models and the origin of neutron star kicks - ejecta asymmetries (ejecta and NS opposite) or anisotropic neutrino emission (ejecta and NS together)

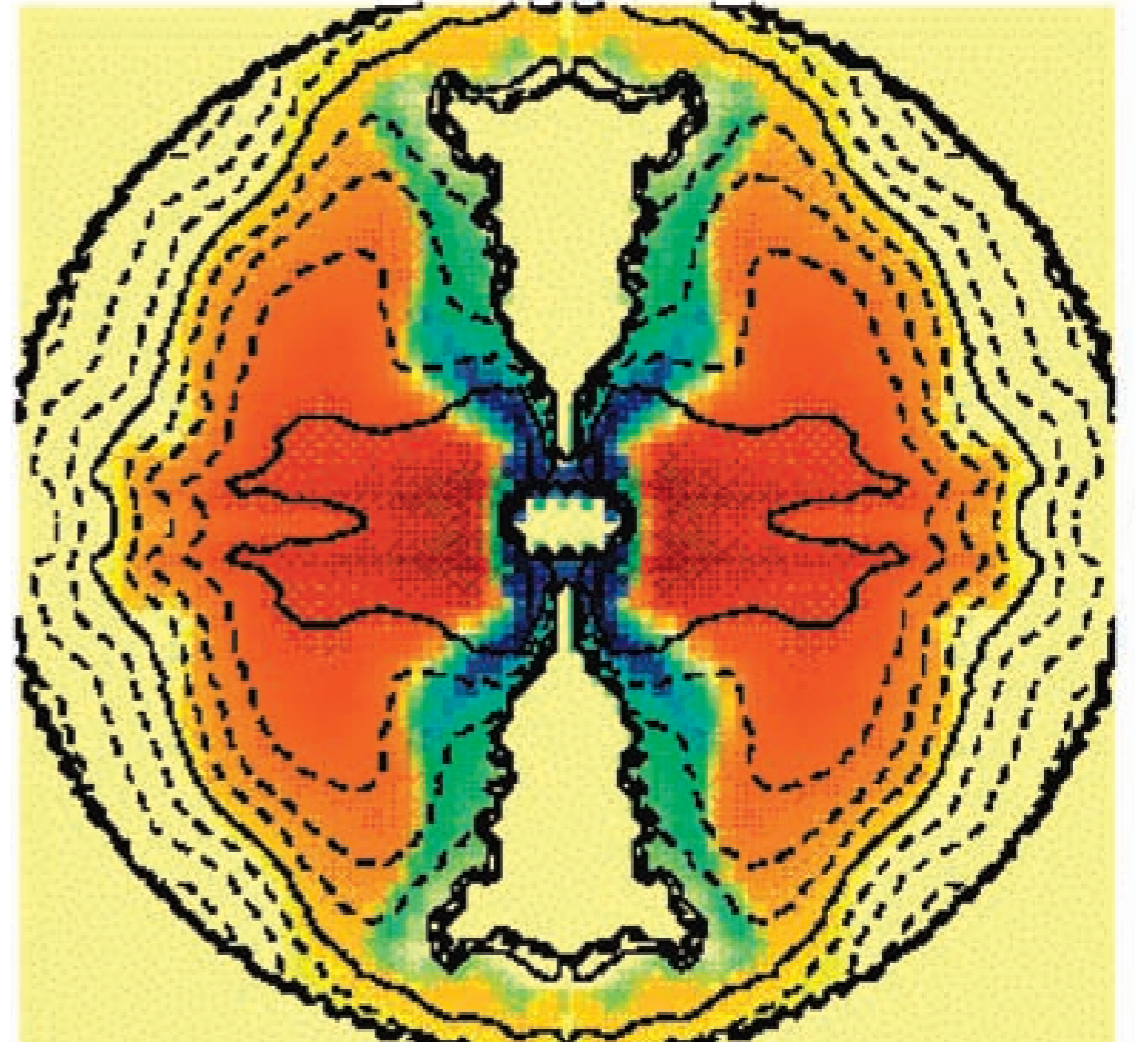


Kaplan et al. 2004

Jet-Driven Explosions

Theorists predict that a rapidly-rotating progenitor can have jet-driven explosions.

Lynx imaging and micro-cal can look for segregation of iron from lighter elements as well as confirm that heavy elements are ejected at faster velocities.



Nickel; Oxygen

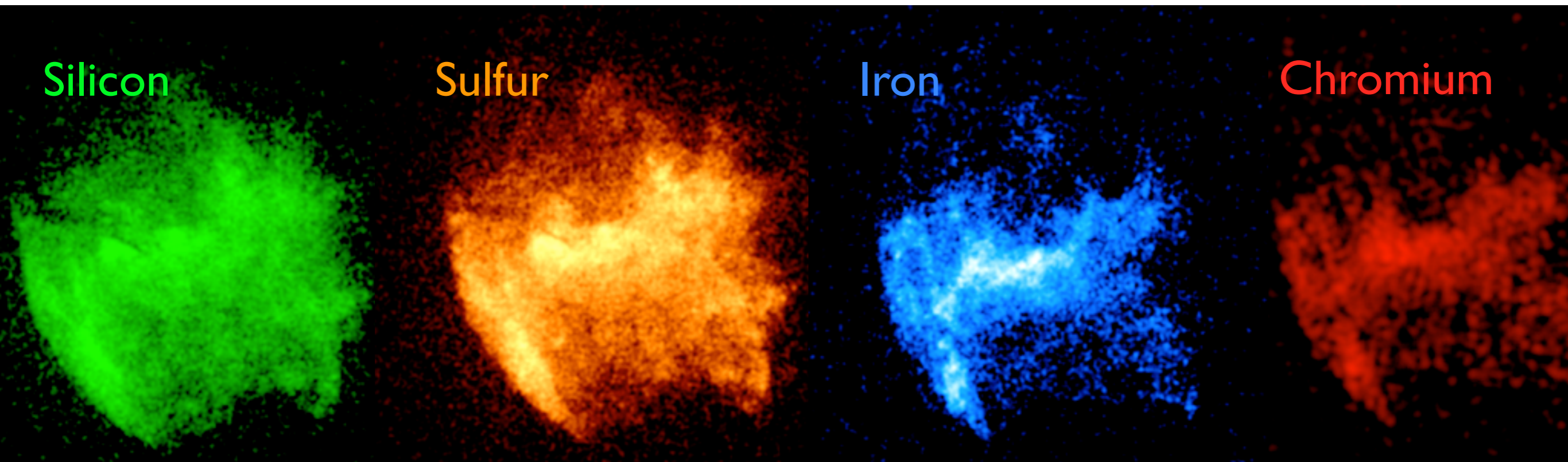
Mazzali et al. 2006

Silicon

Sulfur

Iron

Chromium



Lopez et al. 2013

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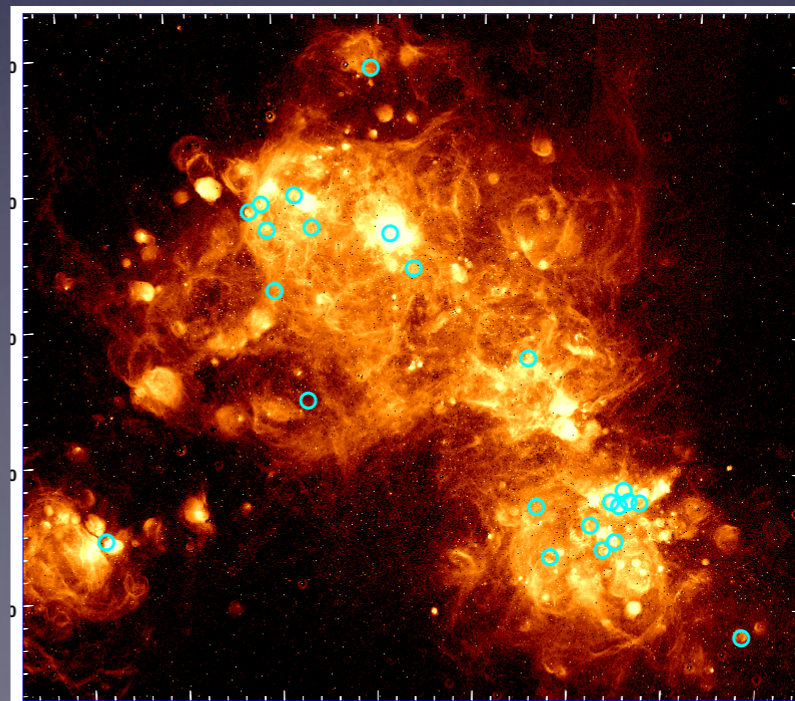
Study populations of SNRs in MW and nearby galaxies (LMC, SMC, M31, M33).

In LMC and SMC especially, can do detailed studies with imaging and micro-cal similar to those of MW studies to get 3D structure, ejecta mass and composition, shock heating properties, particle acceleration properties, and associated neutron stars.

Possibly measure expansion of LMC SNRs using Chandra to Lynx baselines:

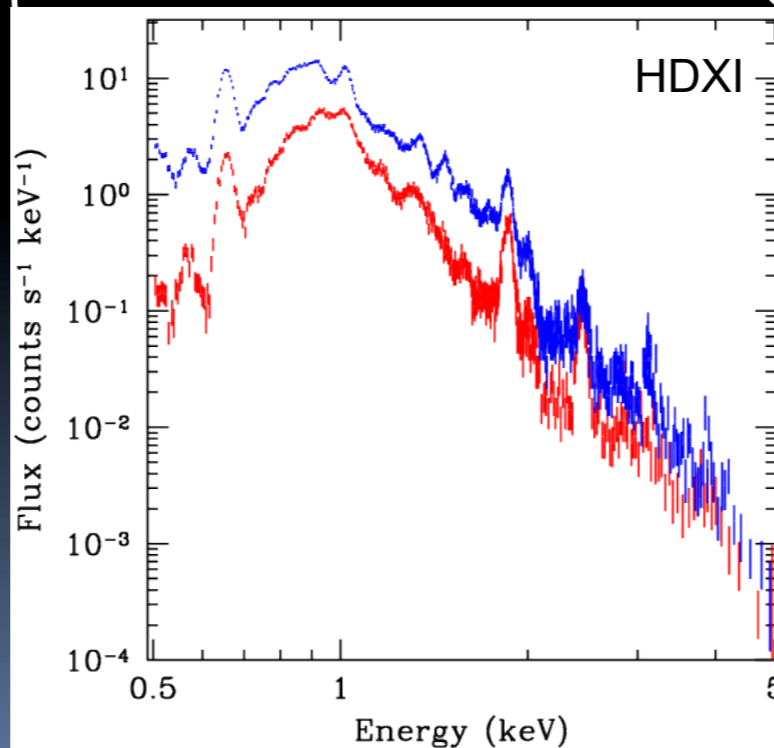
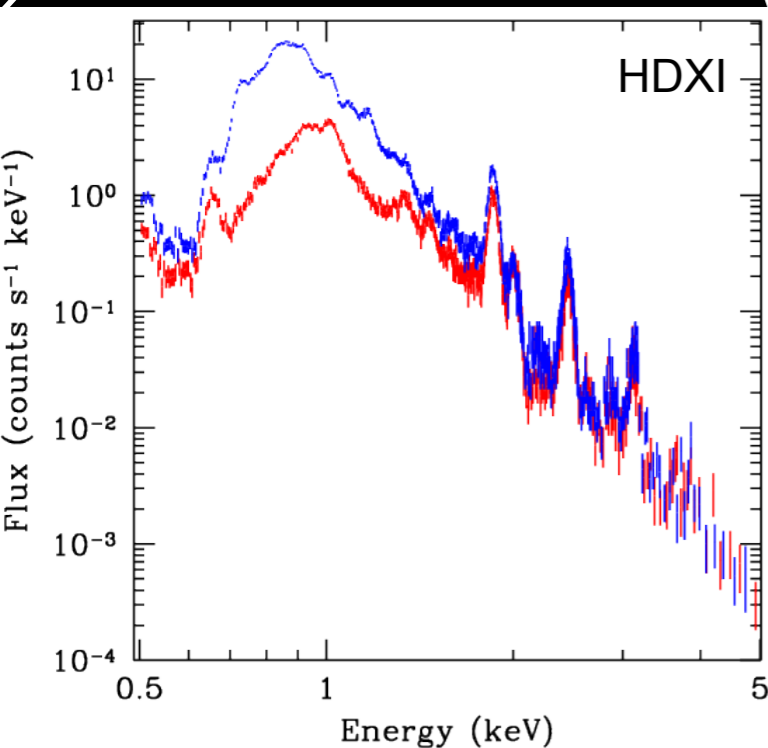
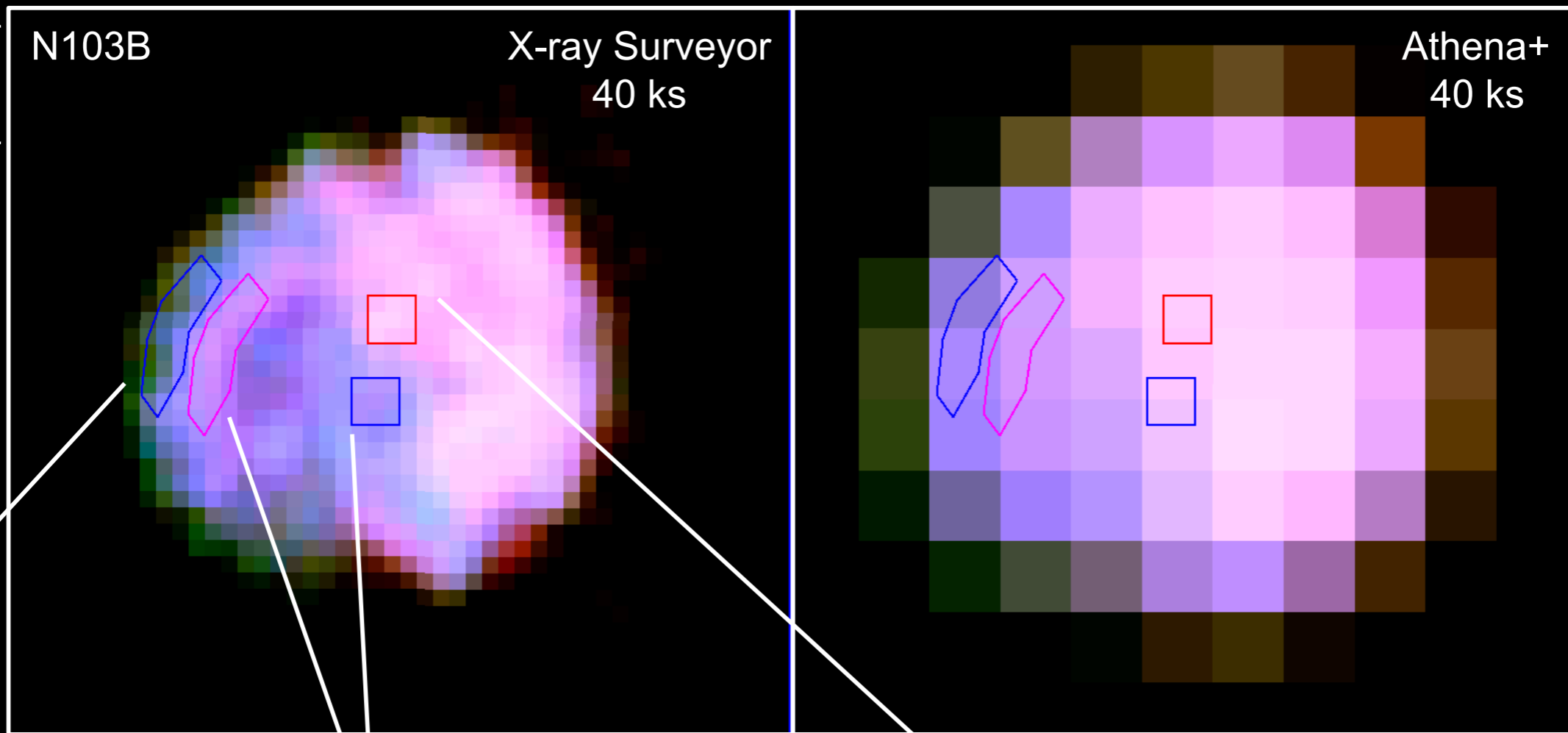
$v = 5000 \text{ km/s}$ is $0.5''$ in 24 years for $D = 50 \text{ kpc}$

Badenes et al. 2010:
50 SNRs in LMC;
23 in SMC



Magellanic Cloud SNRs

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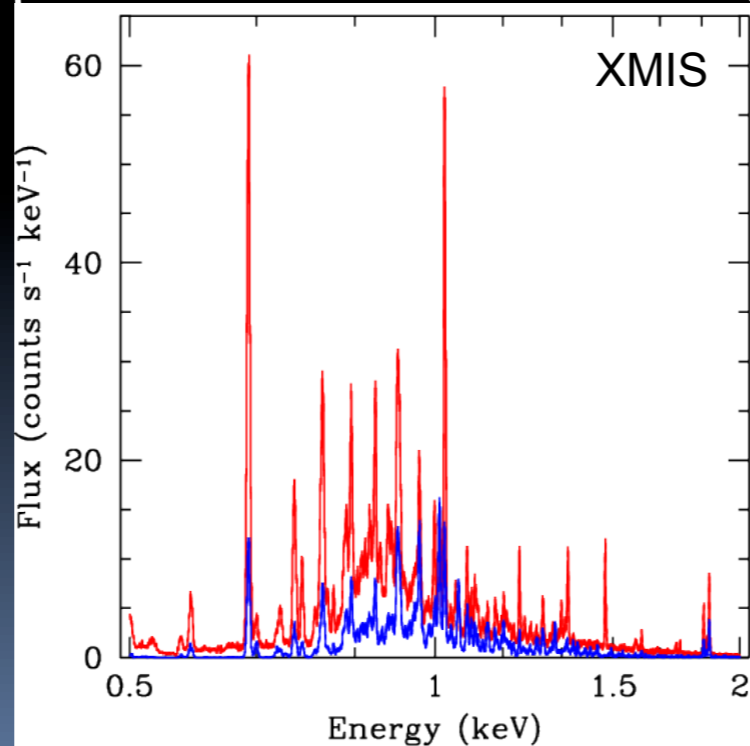
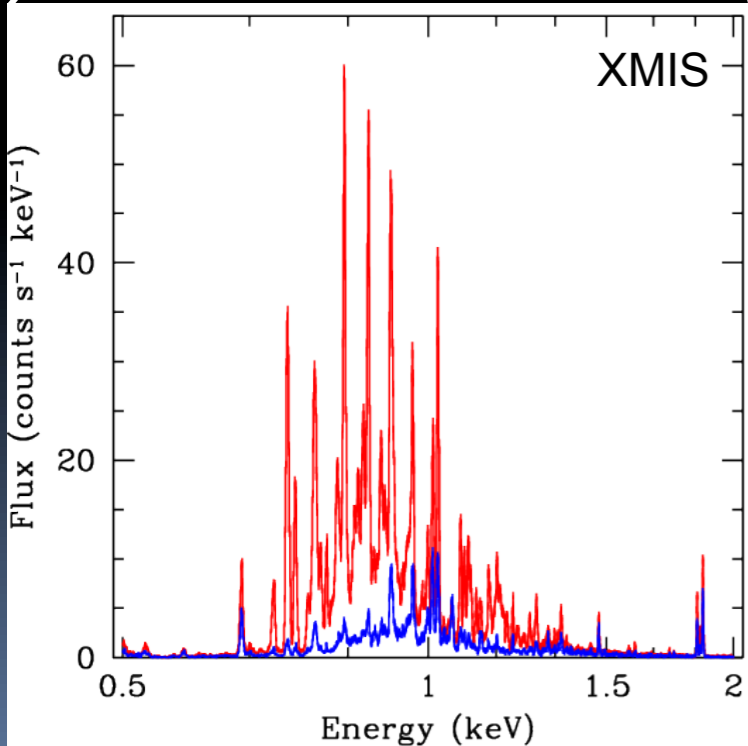
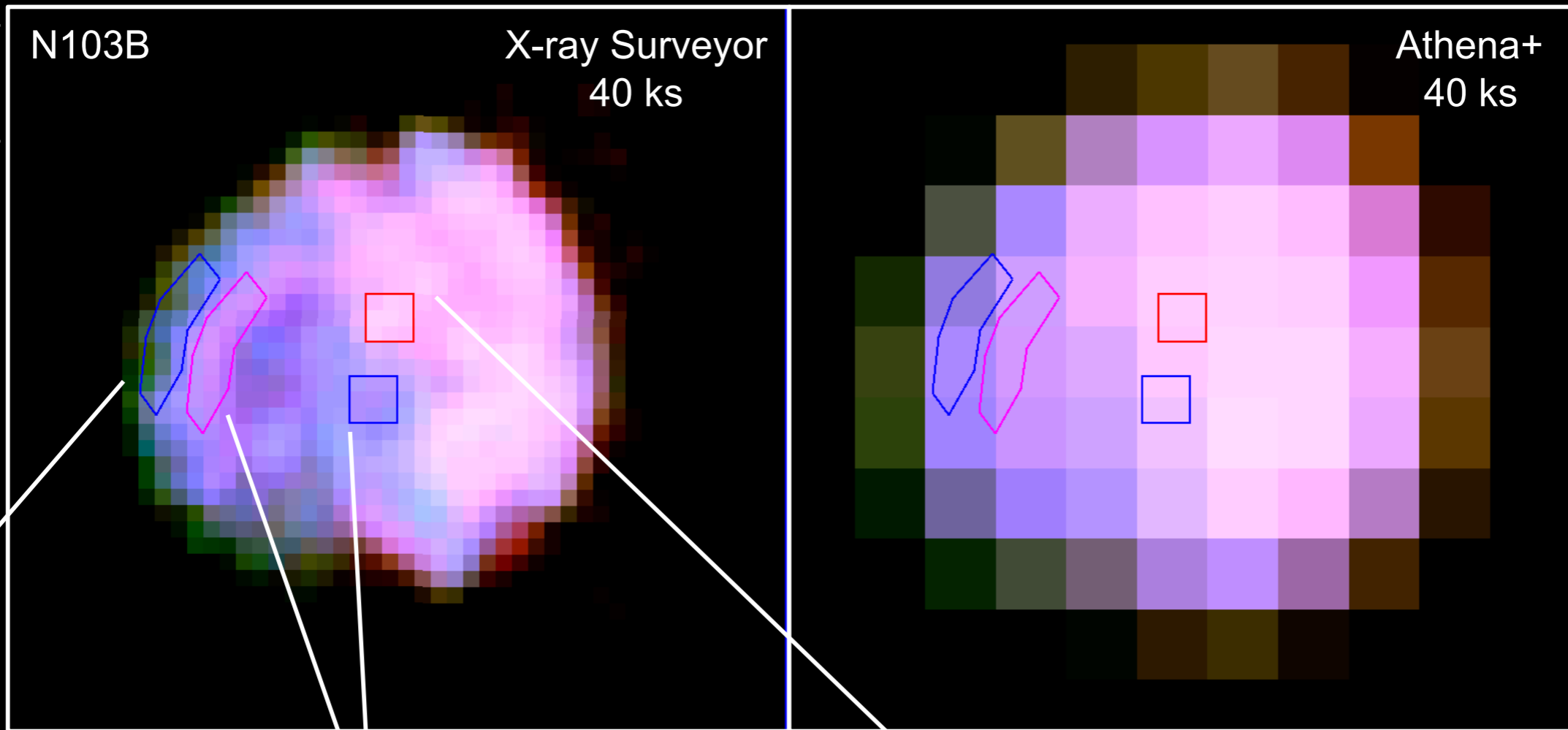


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Evolution of SN 1987A, including the possible detection of a central neutron star - need sub-arcsecond resolution.

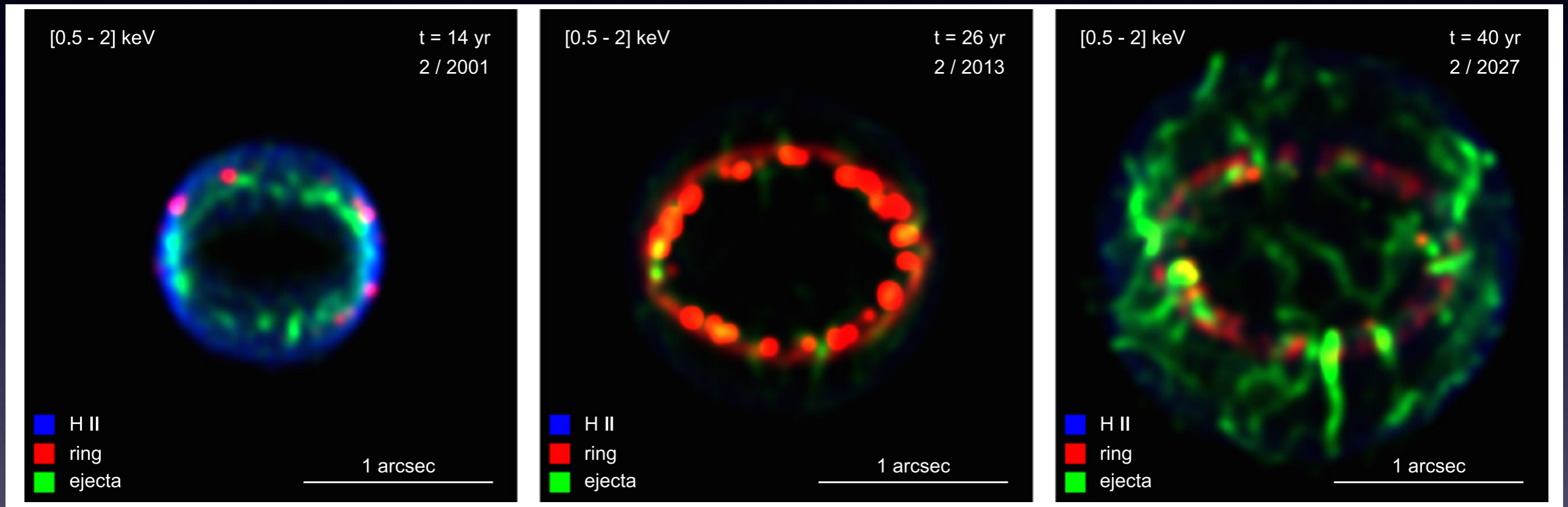


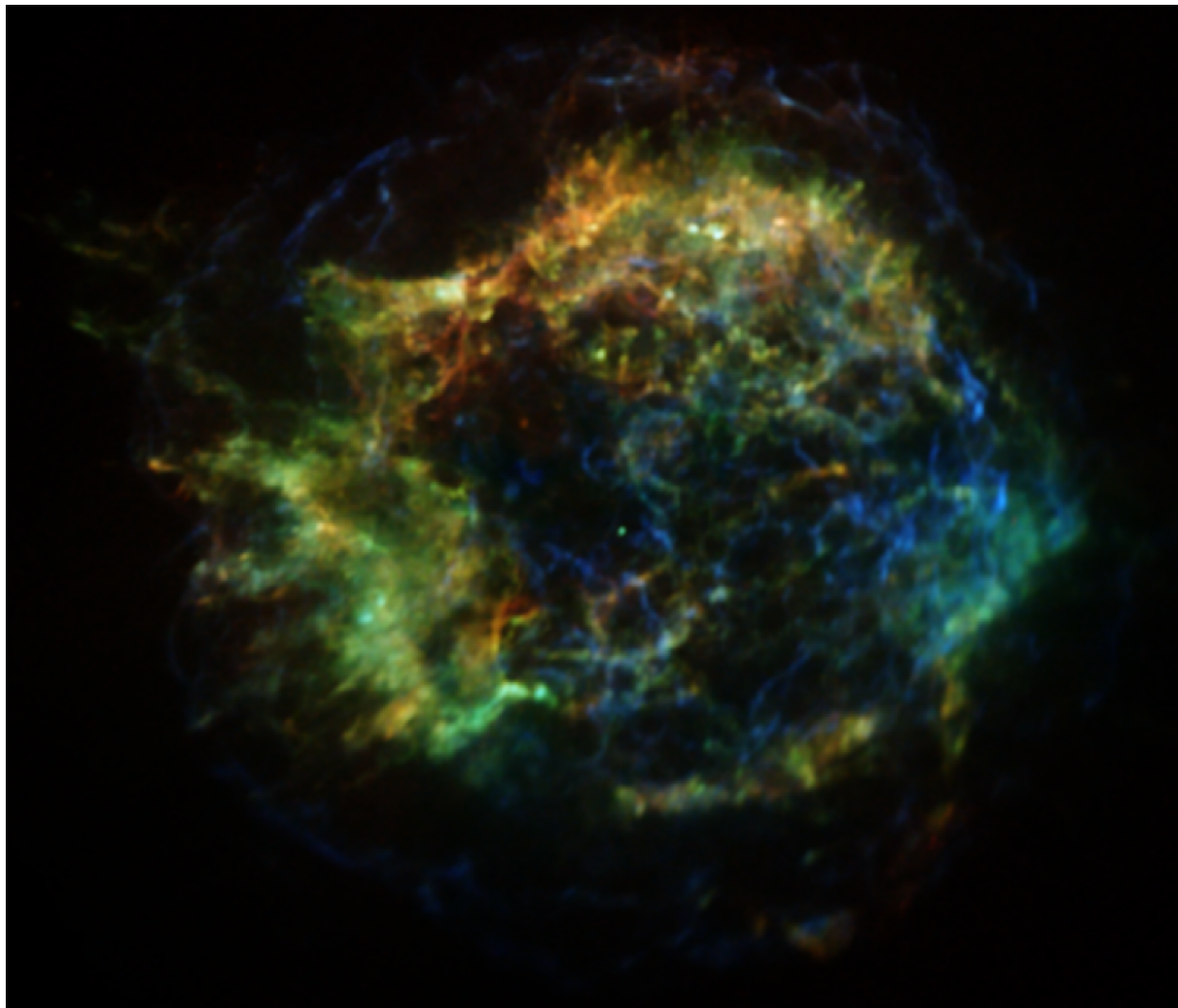
Figure 8. Three-color composite images of the X-ray emission in the [0.5, 2] keV band integrated along the line of sight at the labeled times. Each image has been normalized to its maximum for visibility and smoothed with a Gaussian of size 0.025 arcsec. The colors in the composite show the contribution to emission from the different shocked plasma components, namely the ejecta (green), the ring (red), and the H II region (blue).

Orlando et al. 2015

Neutron Stars in the Magellanic Clouds

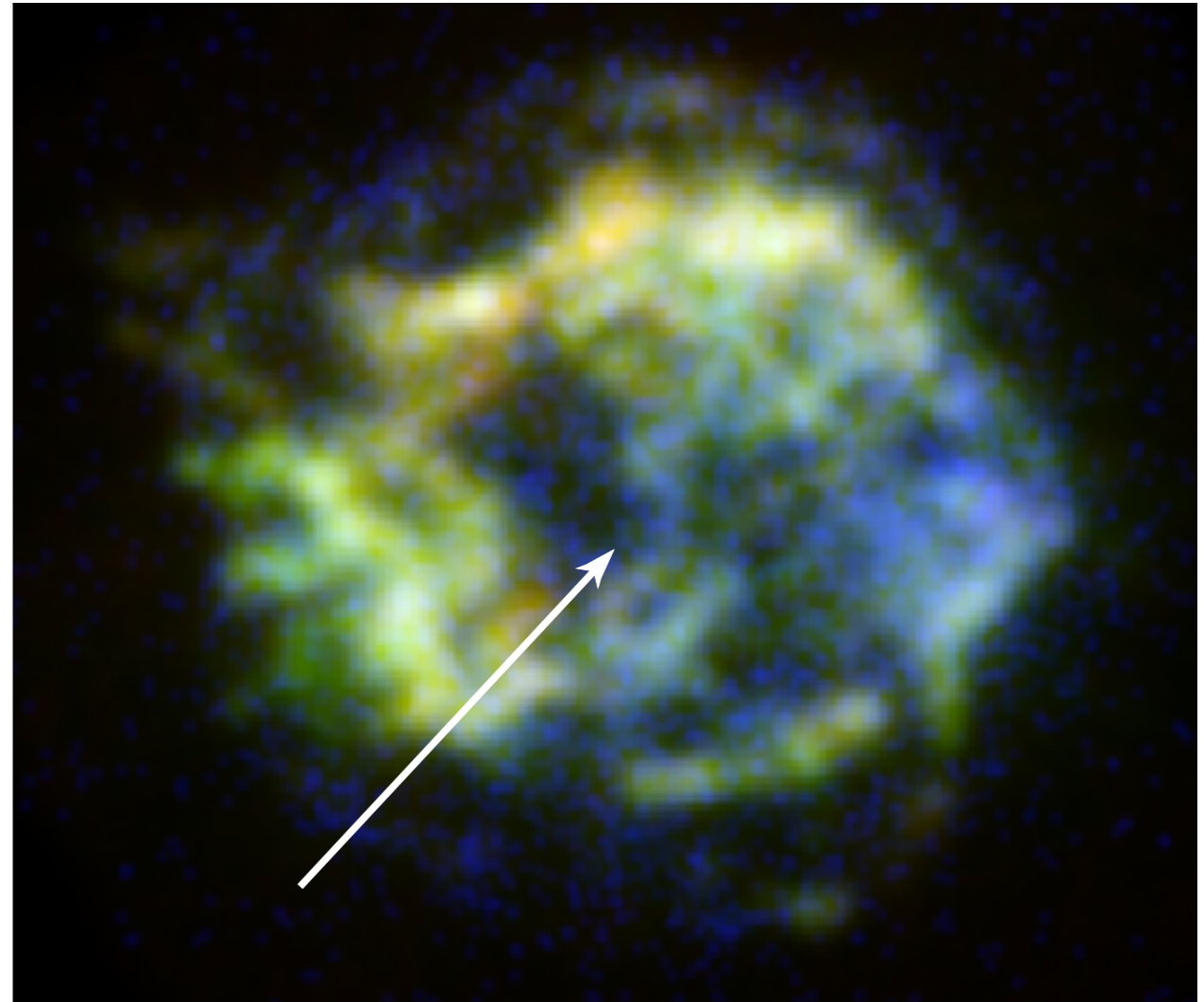
Find or set limits on neutron stars in the LMC/SMC SNRs
Using modest (50 ks) observation, should see Cas A NS in LMC. Possible targets are oxygen-rich N132D and E0102.

Cas A in MW



Chandra 150 ks

Cas A in LMC



Lynx 50 ks

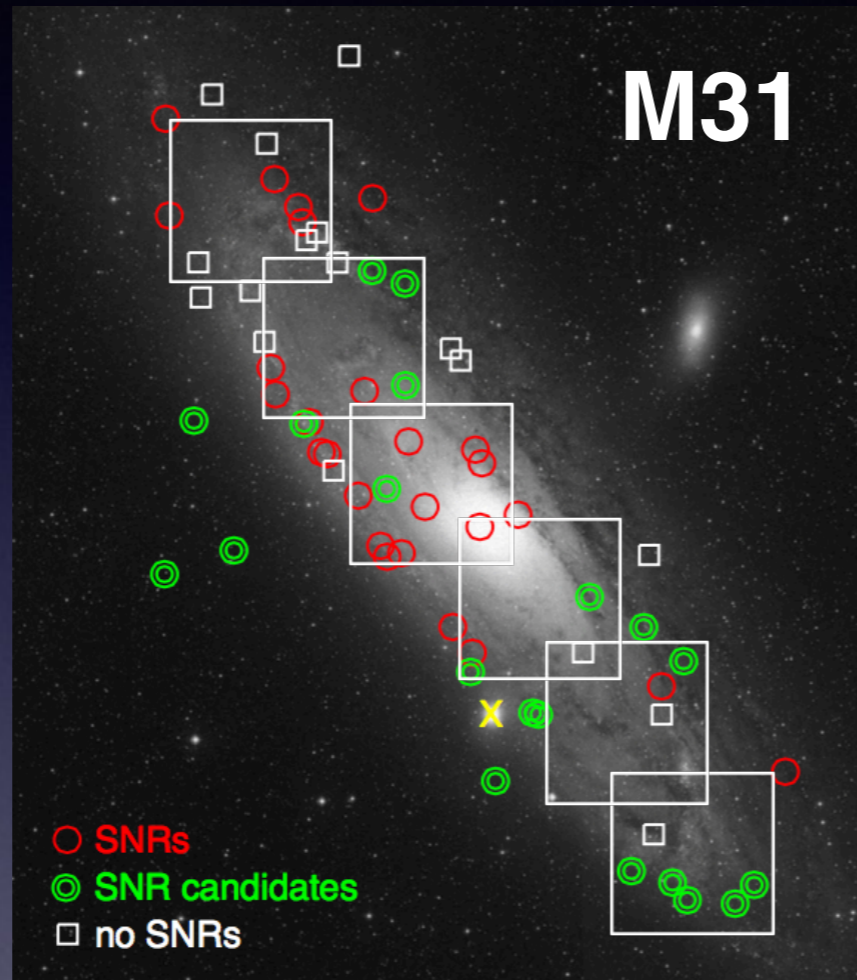
Local Group SNRs

Study populations of SNRs in MW and nearby galaxies

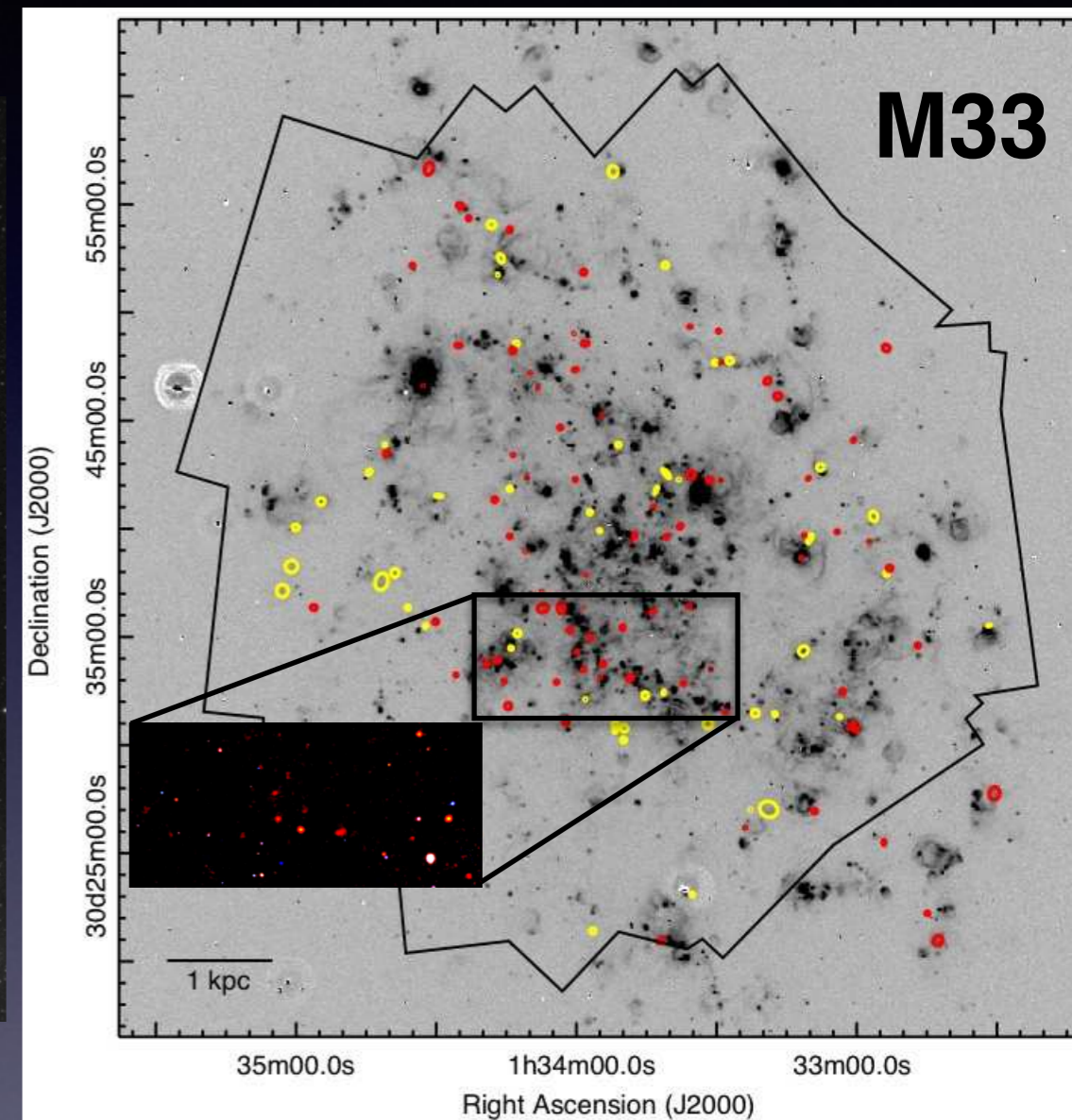
Typical sizes:
~3-30''
(~10-100 pc)

Expect
~10 cts / ks
for 10^{35} erg/s

In M33:
36 SNRs will
have >1000
counts in 100 ks
Lynx exposure



Sasaki et al. 2012:
46 SNRs + candidates

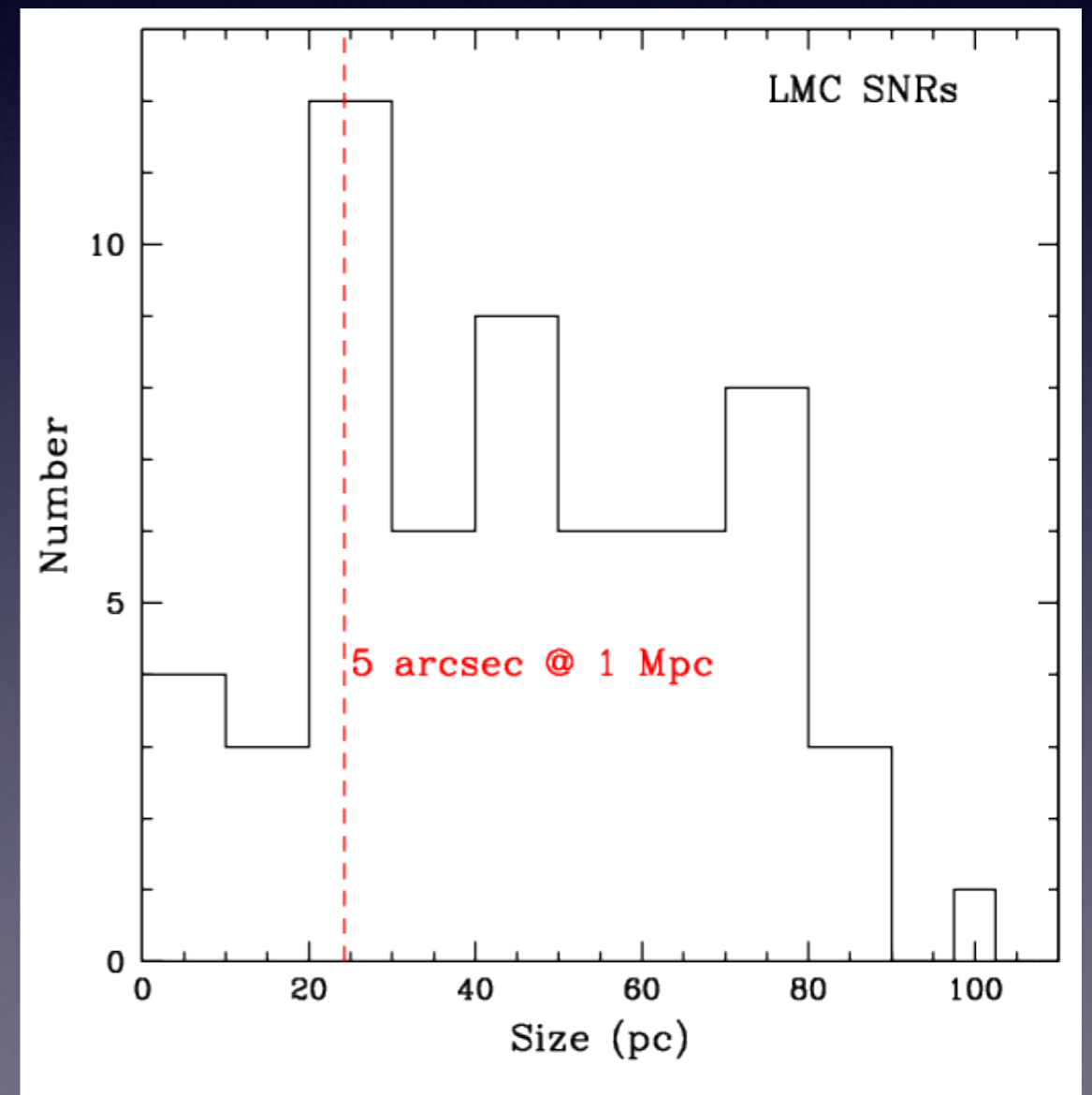
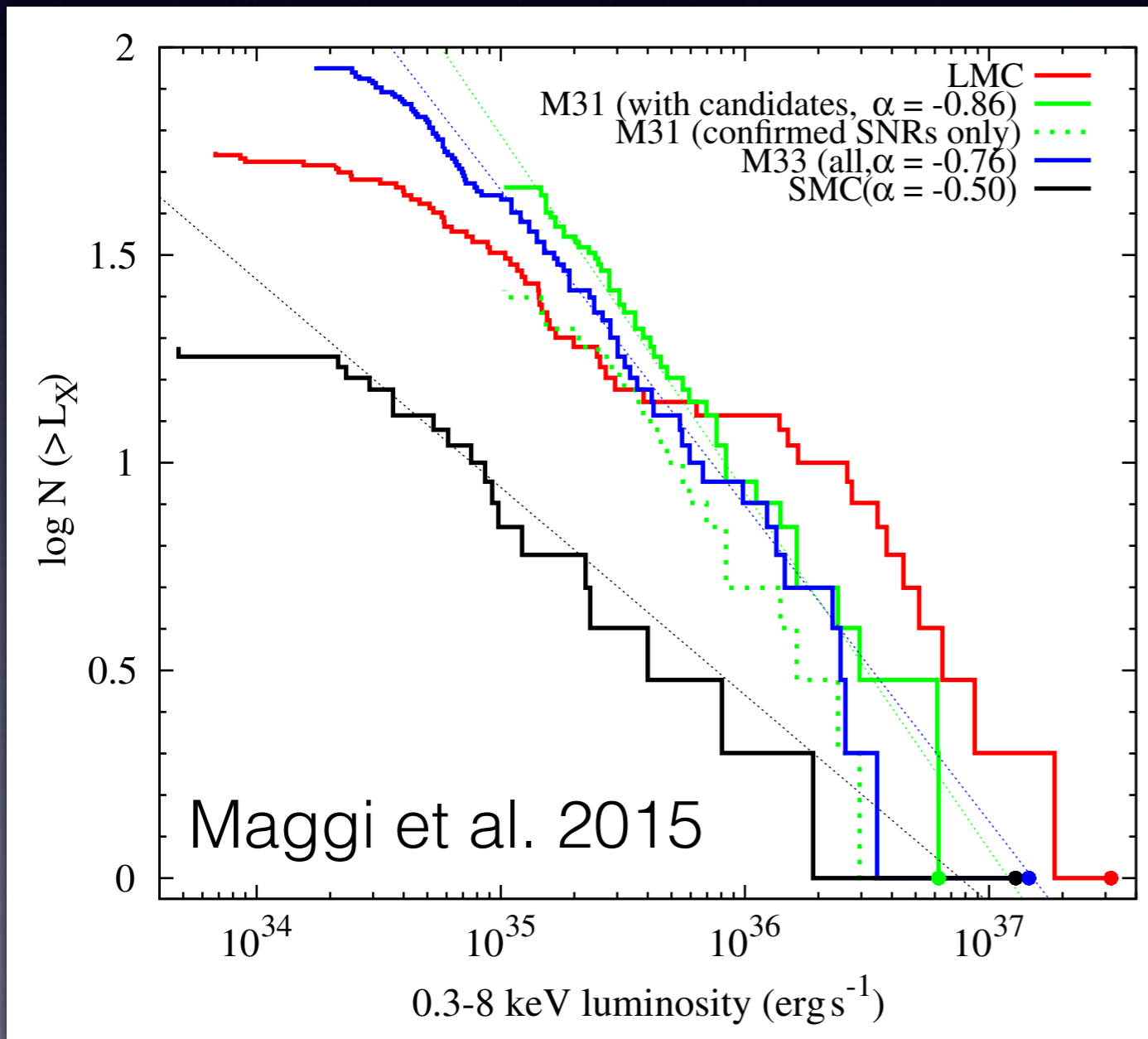


Long et al. 2010:
137 SNRs + candidates

Local Group SNRs

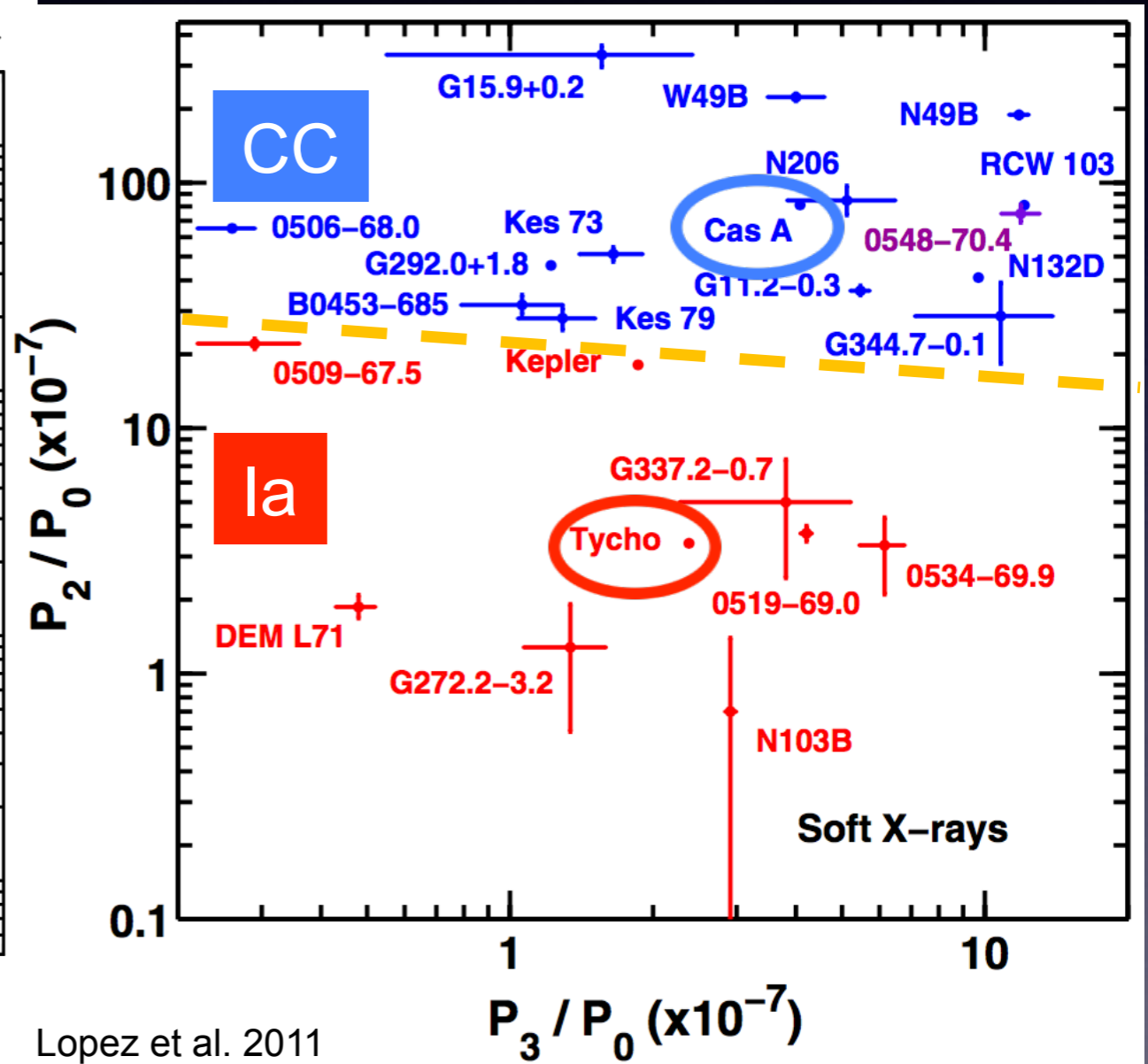
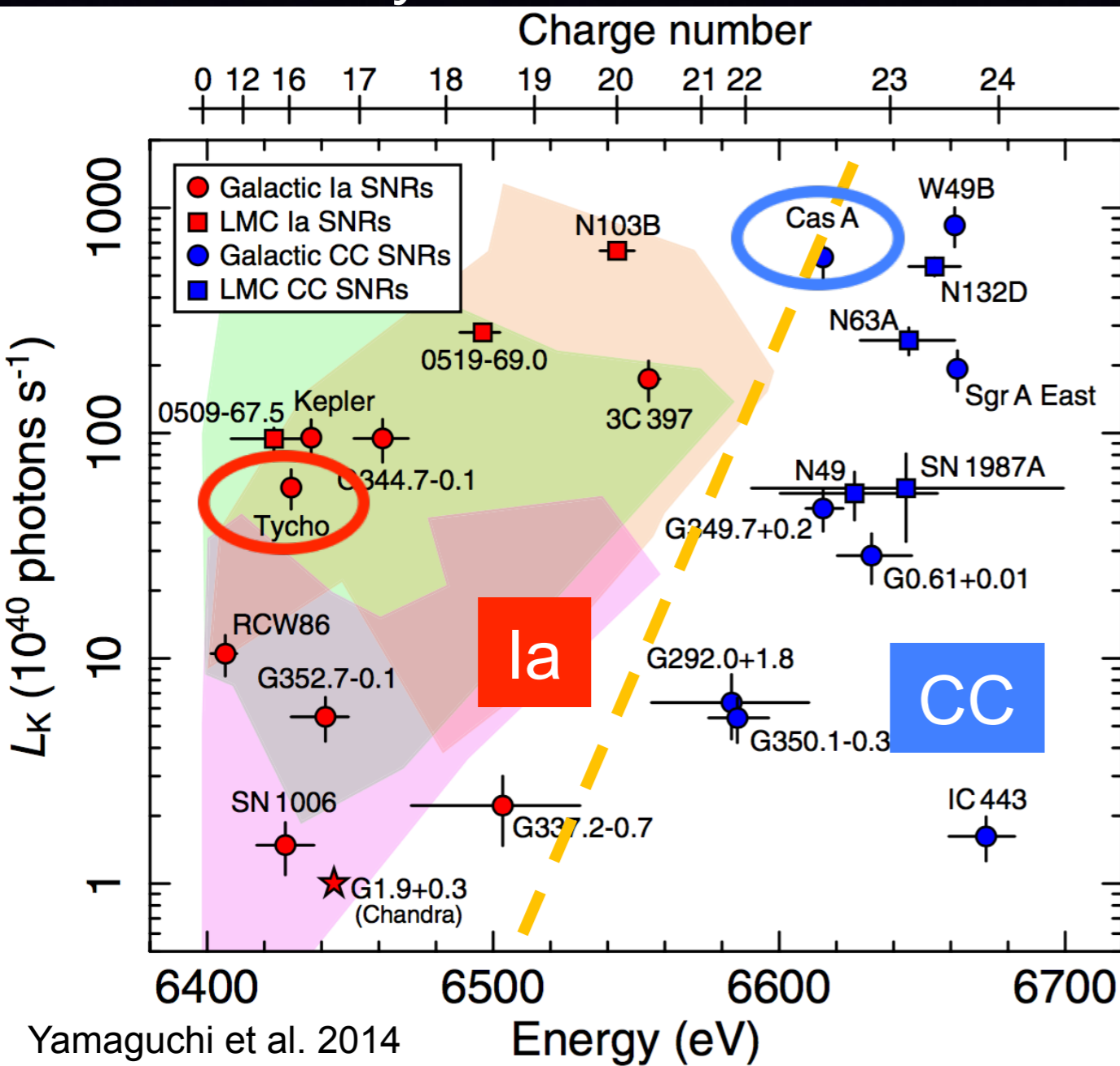
Can spatially resolve most SNRs within 1 Mpc and get spectra from many dozens - identify ejecta, non-thermal, and PWNe.

Possible comparison of populations: e.g., compare SNR properties between galaxies, in different galactic environments and metallicities.



Local Group SNRs

Can type remnants based on the centroid of their Fe-K emission, on their X-ray morphology, and stellar populations in their vicinity.



Typing enables constraints on progenitor scenarios, how/where/when feedback is happening

Conclusions

Chandra has revolutionized our view of supernova remnants: their explosive origins, shock heating, dynamical evolution, particle acceleration properties, and associated neutron stars.

Limitations of current facilities: challenges associated with gratings spectra of extended objects, sensitivity (and spatial resolution) to probe extragalactic populations

SN simulations are finally making predictions for chemical yields, spatial distribution and kinematics of metals, formation and kicks of neutron stars. X-ray data gives ability to test models in ways that cannot be done at any other wavelengths.

Lynx will give 3D structure of tens of SNRs and enable characterization of hundreds of SNRs in the Local Group - key to understanding explosion mechanisms and SN feedback