

# New-born neutron stars colliding with companion stars



“Ryo”suke Hirai

Monash University

Collaborators

Philipp Podsiadlowski (Oxford)



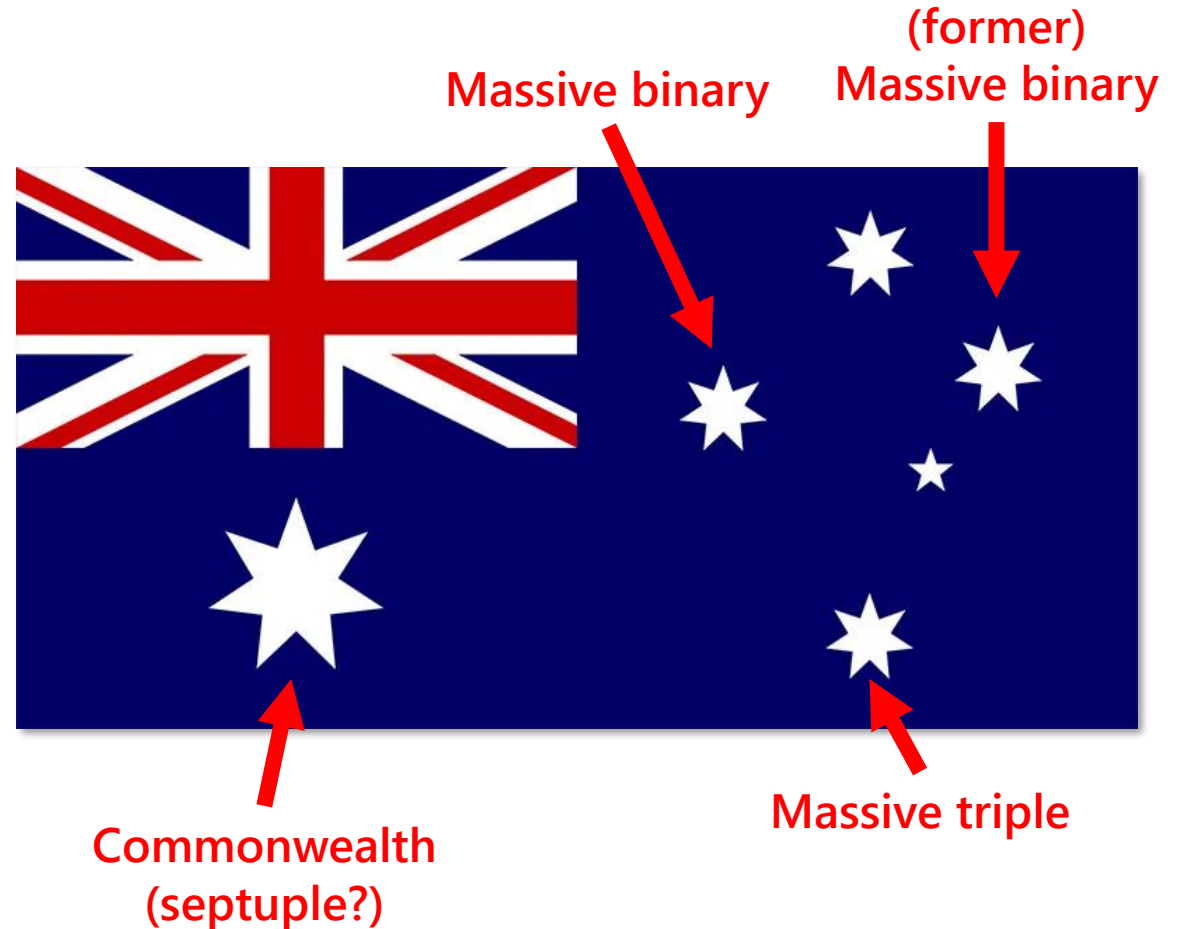
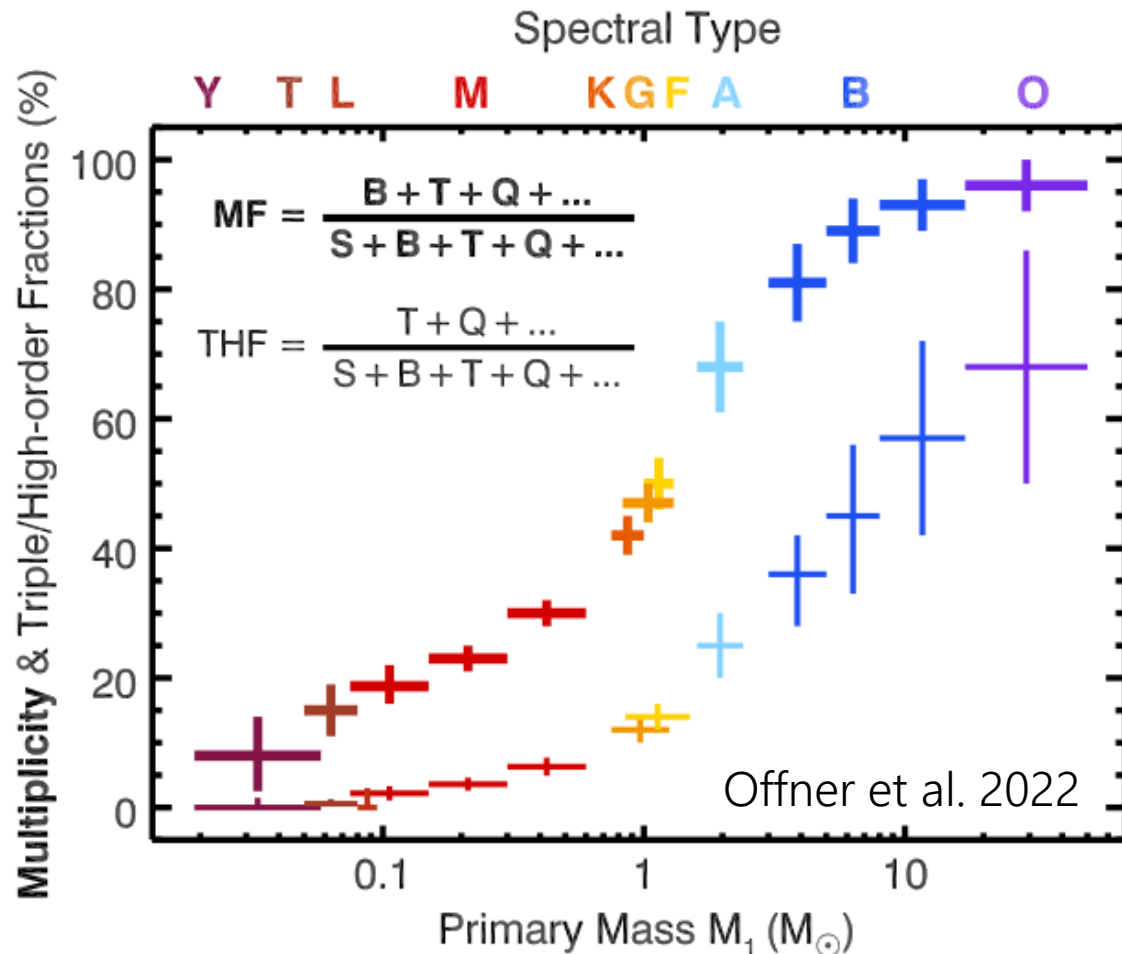
MONASH  
University



Phantom users workshop 2023 @ Monash 15/02/2023

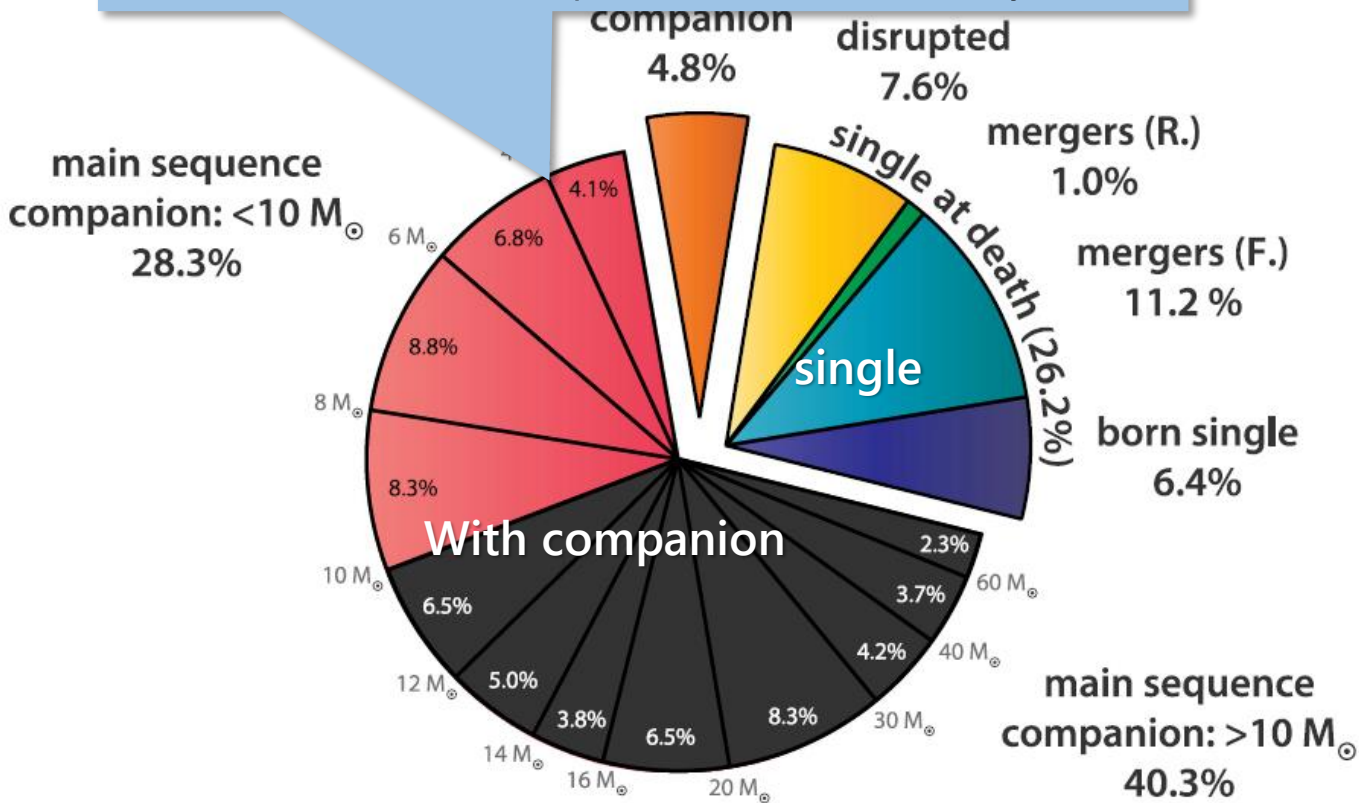
# Massive binaries are important

Most massive stars have 1 or more companions!



# Supernovae in binaries

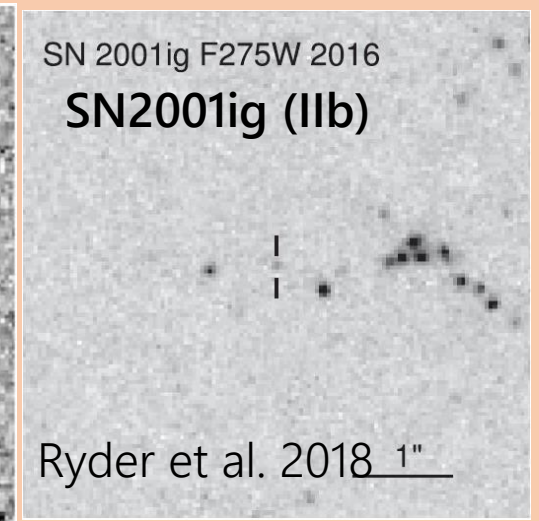
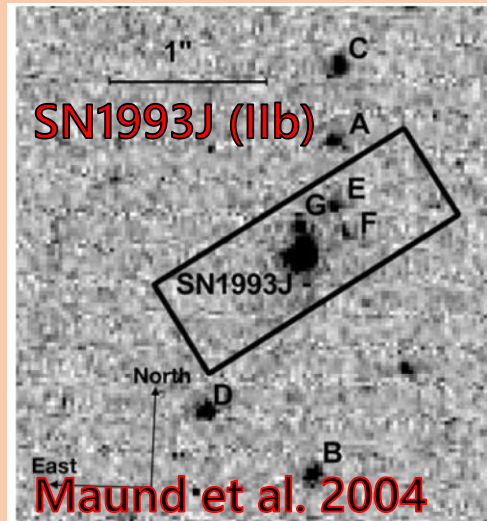
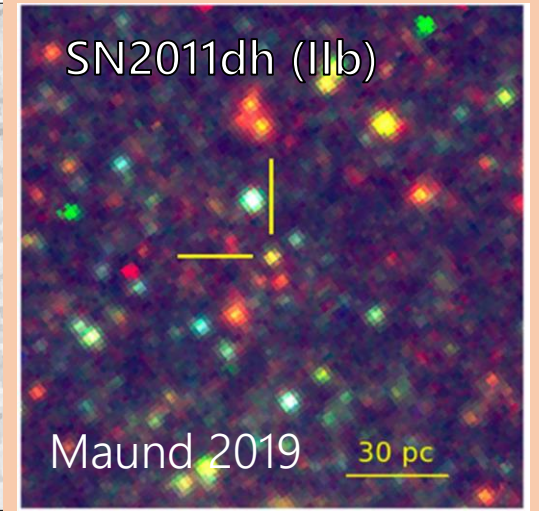
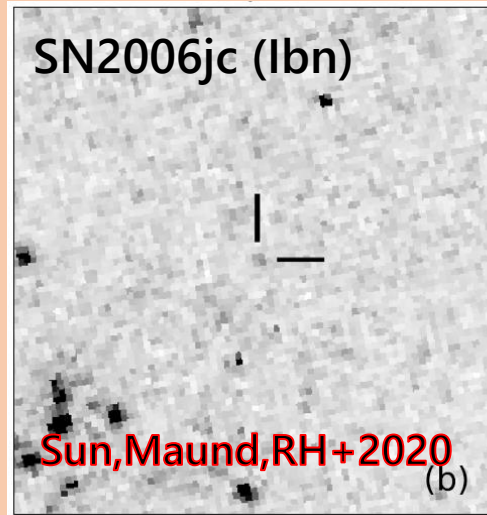
Many core-collapse supernovae are expected to occur with a companion star close-by



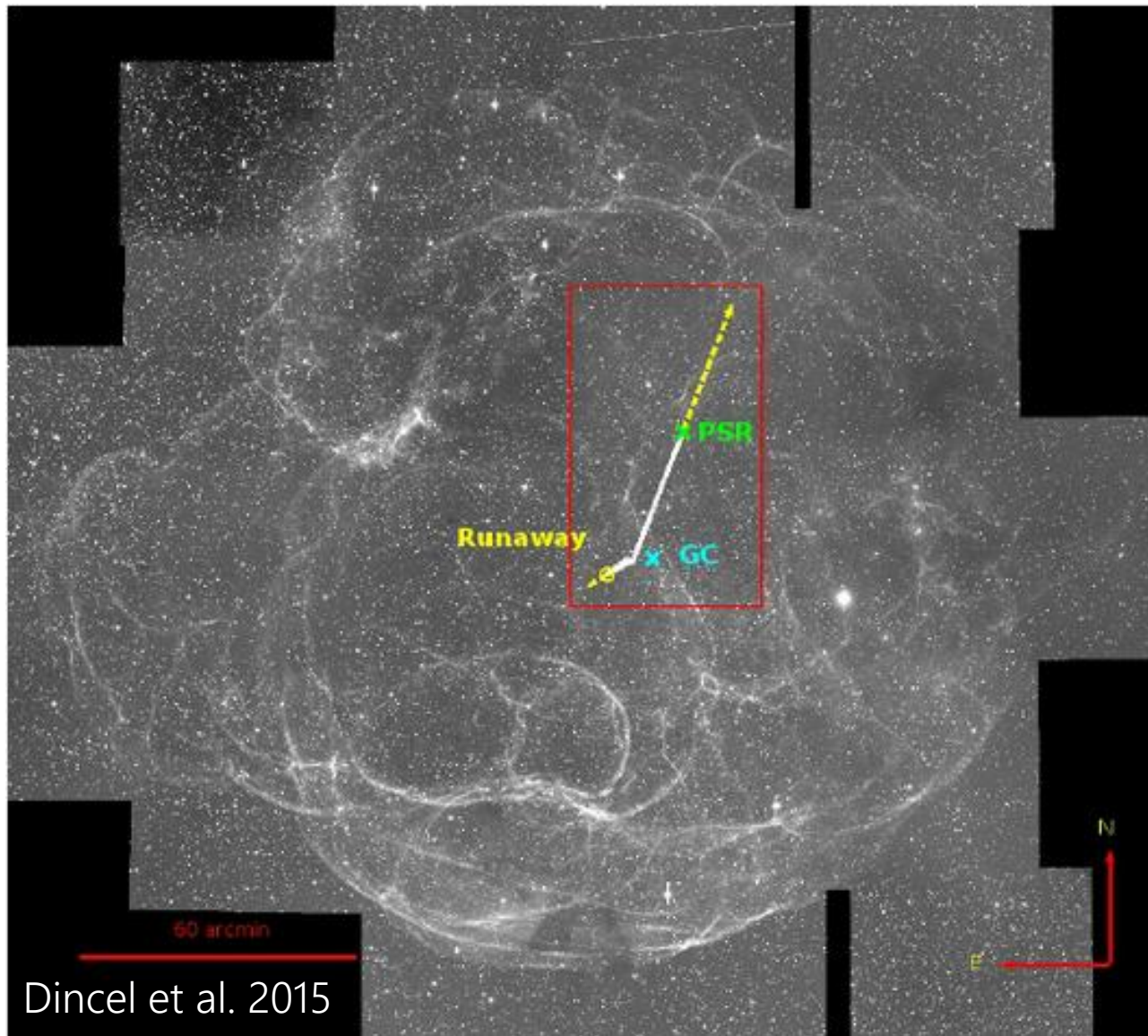
Stripped-envelope SNe ( $Z = 0.0055$ )

Zapartas et al. 2017

## Companion detections



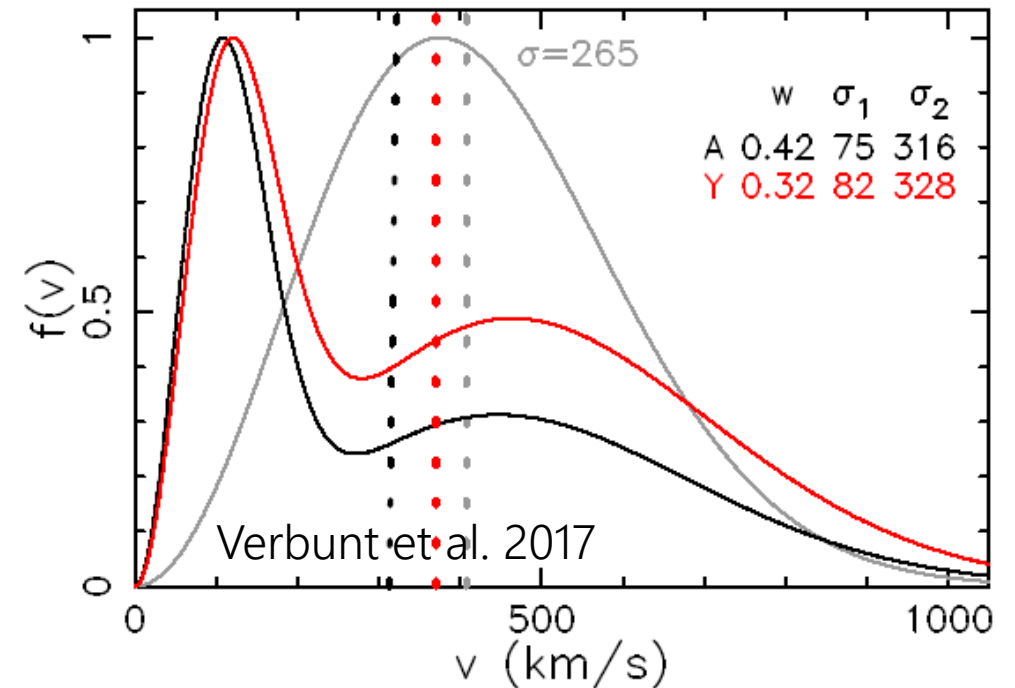
# Neutron star natal kicks

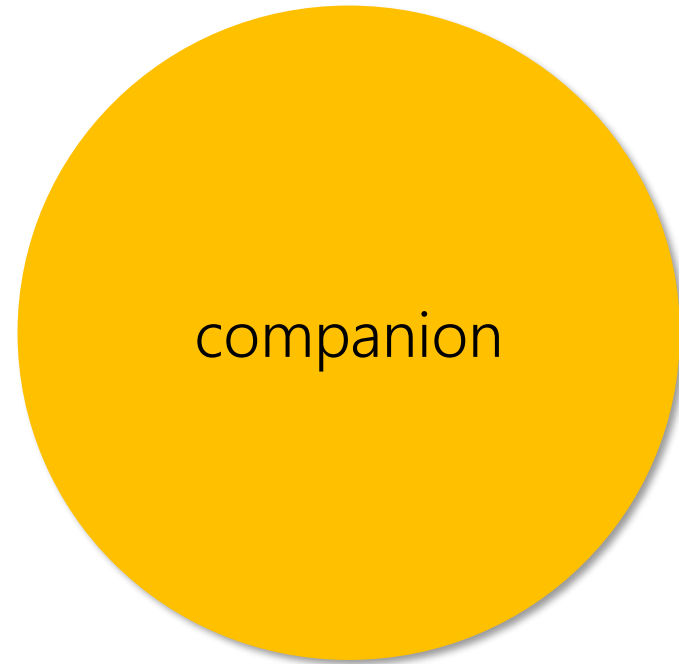
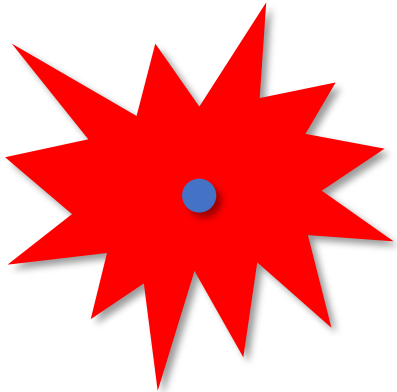


New-born neutron stars receive “kicks” due to the asymmetry in the explosion

Asymmetries may be caused by:

- Hydrodynamical stochasticity
- Neutrino emission





What happens when neutron stars are kicked *into* the companion star?

# HORMONE

(High ORder M magnetohydrodynamic cOde with N umerous E nhancements)

- 3D MHD code
- Finite volume scheme (Godunov-type)
- HLLD fluxes + 9-wave method
- openMP parallel
- Cartesian/Cylindrical/Spherical coordinates
- Hyperbolic self-gravity ( $\sim O(N)$ , Hirai et al. 2016)
- Optically thin radiative cooling (Townsend 2009)
- Customized flux limiter
- Original EoS solver for recombination (Hirai et al. 2020)
- Working on AMR and RT...



# Hydrodynamical simulations

I performed 3D hydro simulations of collisions between new-born NSs and companions

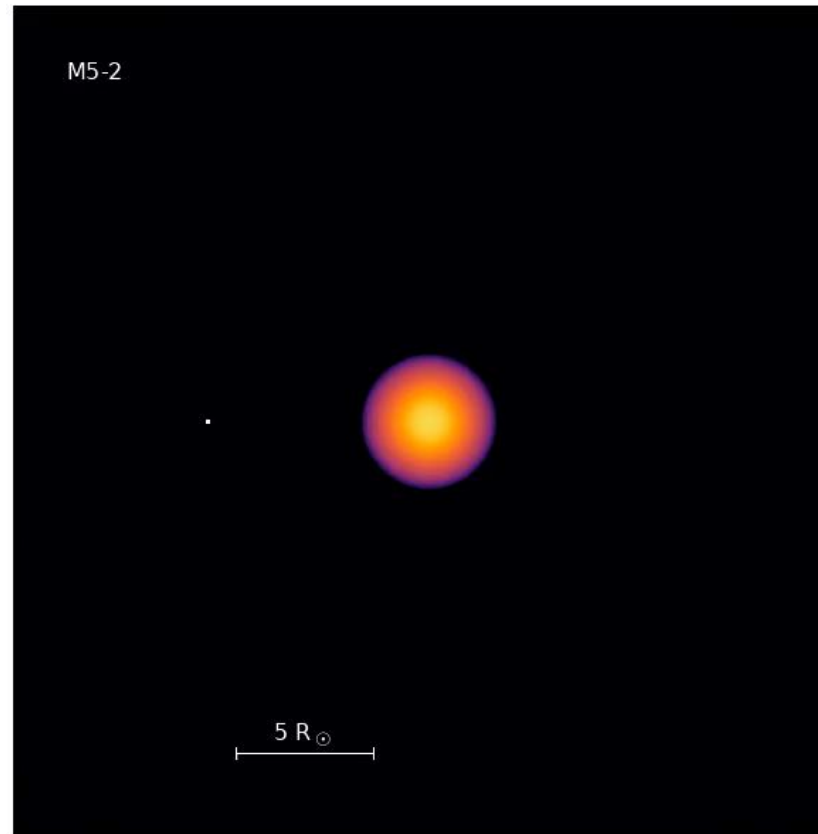
## Model parameters

- Progenitor mass :  $6 M_{\odot}$
- NS mass :  $1.4 M_{\odot}$
- Companion mass :  $1, 5, 10 M_{\odot}$
- Orbital separation :  $3, 8, 15 R_{\odot}$
- Kick velocity :  $1000 \text{ km/s}$
- Kick direction : **various**

Similar setup to:

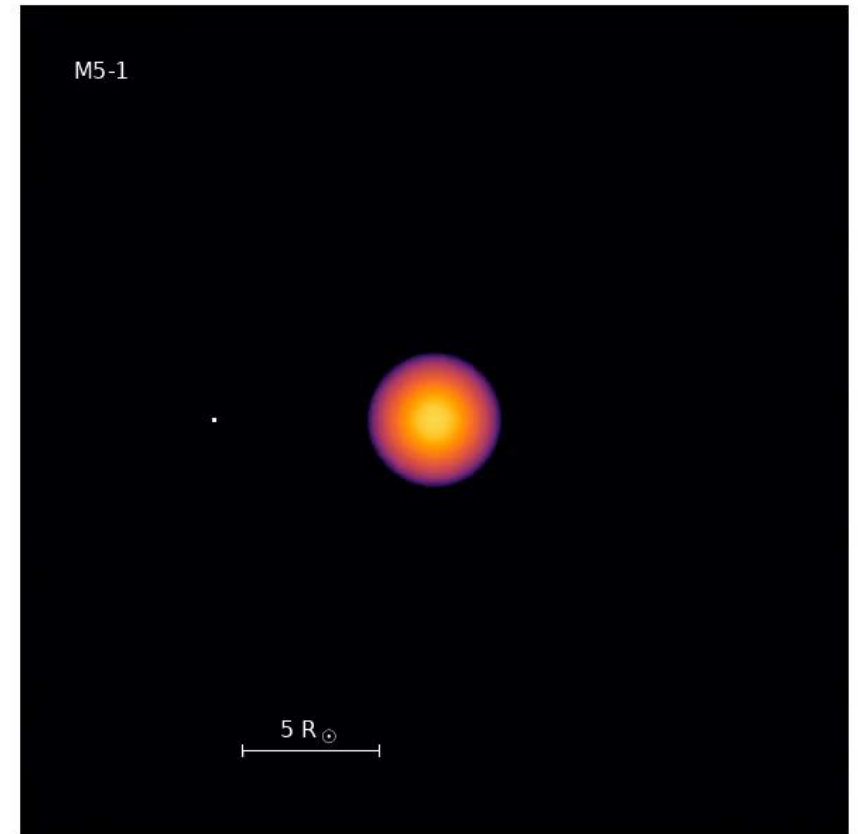
- Stellar flybys
- Tidal disruption events
- Common-envelopes

0.00 hr



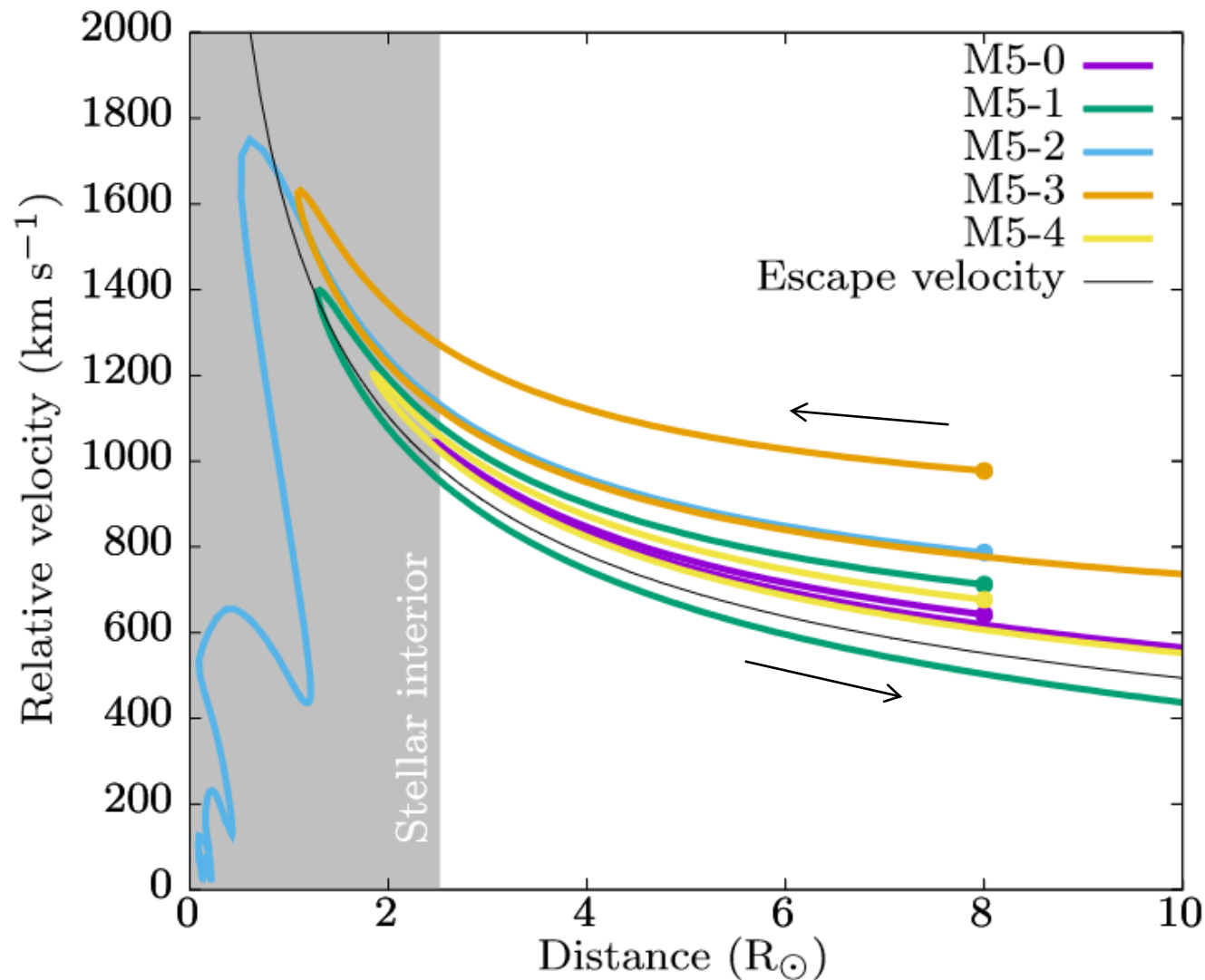
Immediate merger

0.00 hr



Envelope penetration

# Results – deceleration in the envelope

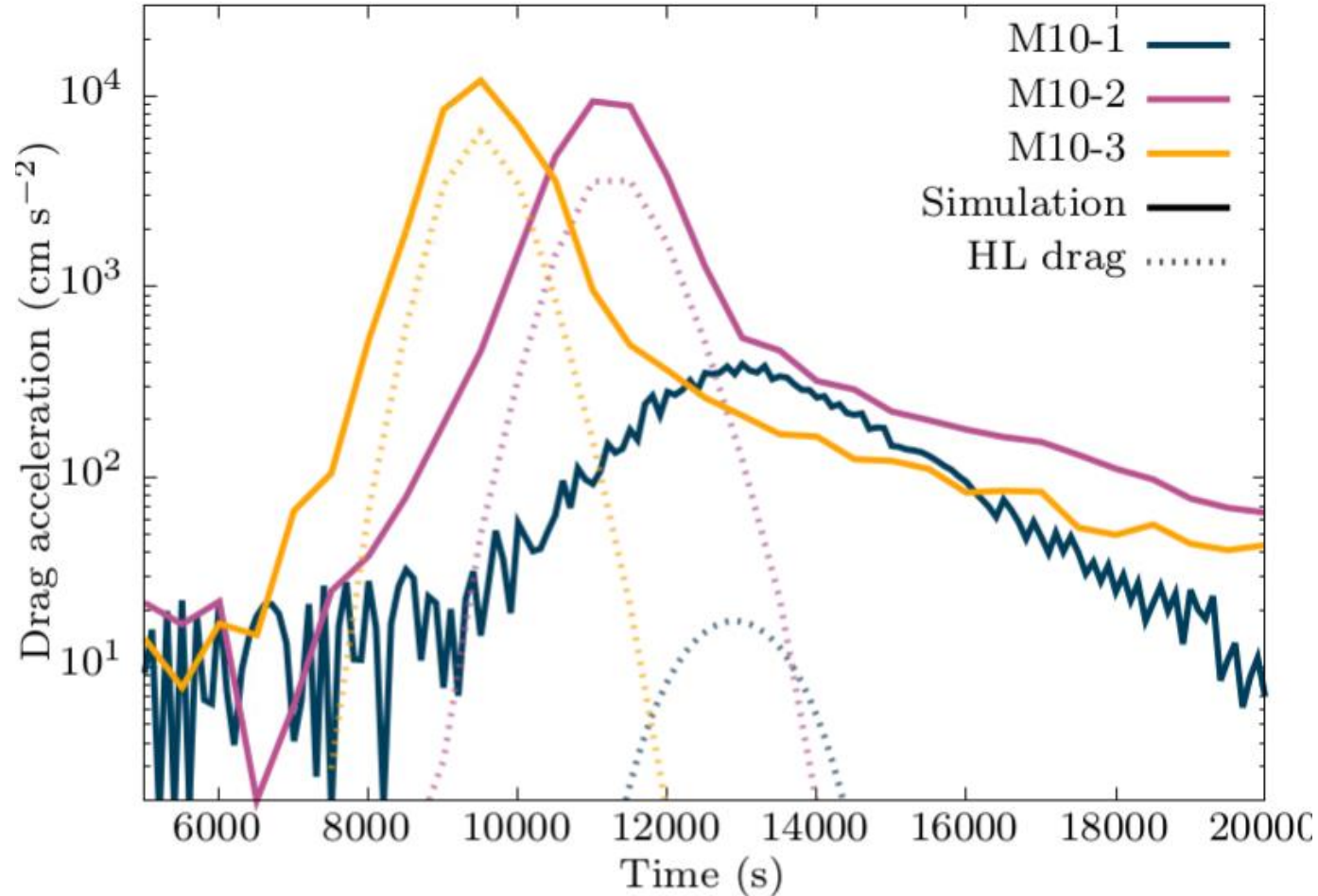


- On completely ballistic trajectories, the ingoing and outgoing curves should exactly agree
- As the NS enters the stellar envelope, the gravitational drag causes the NS to decelerate
- The deceleration is sometimes large enough to put the NS on a bound orbit



# Semi-analytical modelling

We create a new analytical model for gravitational drag to enable more rapid modelling

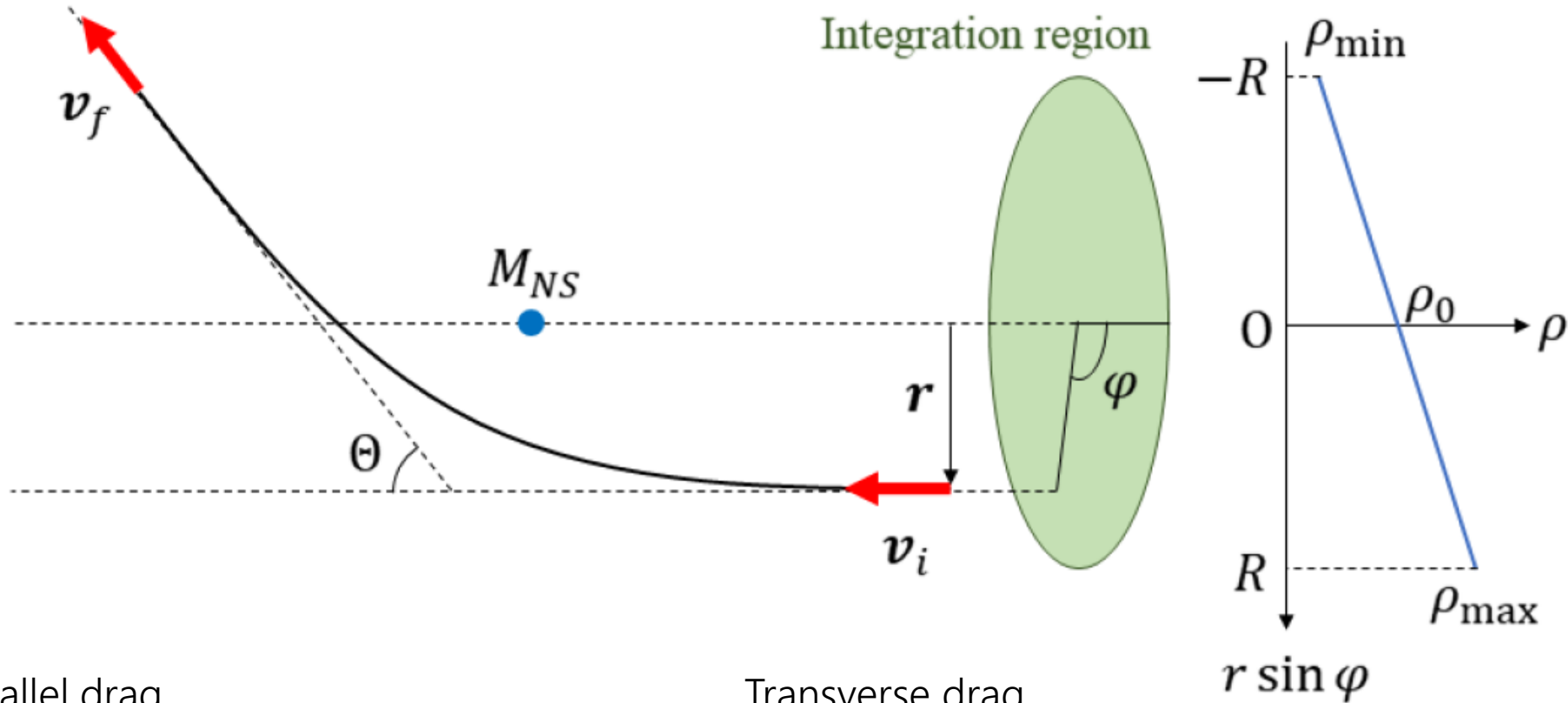


Hoyle-Lyttleton drag

$$f_{\text{drag,HL}} = \frac{4\pi G^2 M_{\text{NS}} \rho}{v_{\text{rel}}^2}$$

# Semi-analytical modelling

We create a new analytical model for gravitational drag to enable more rapid modelling



Parallel drag

$$f_{d,\parallel} = \pi \rho_0 v_\infty^2 R_b^2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} \ln \left[ \left( \frac{2R}{R_b} \right)^2 + 1 \right]$$

$$R_b \equiv 2GM_{NS}/v_\infty^2$$

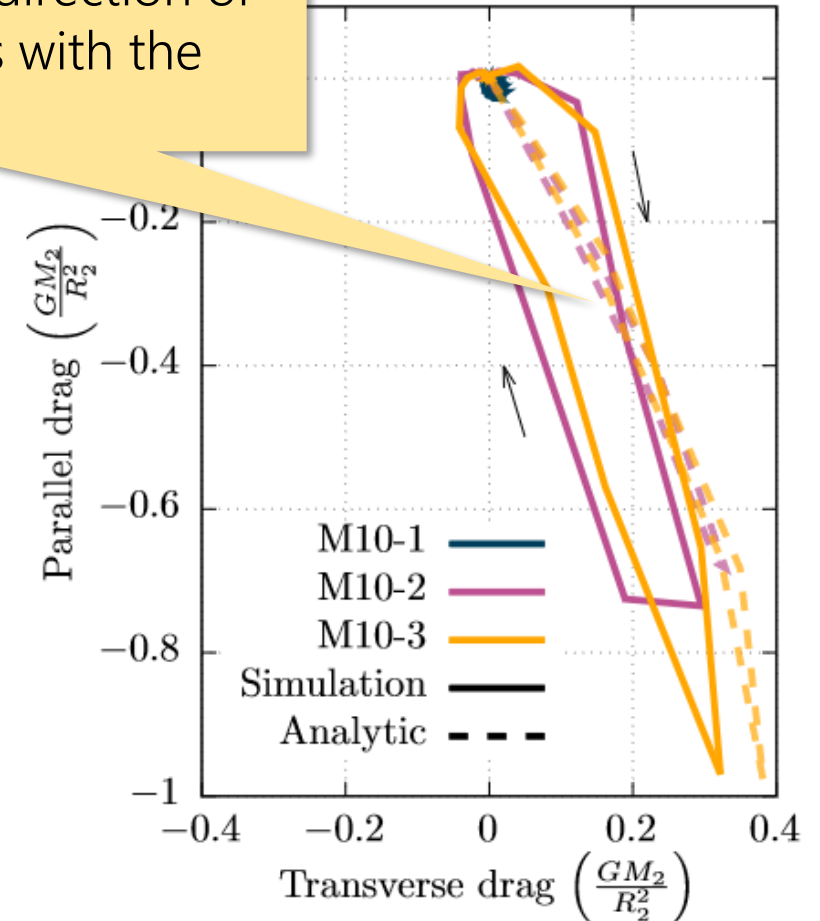
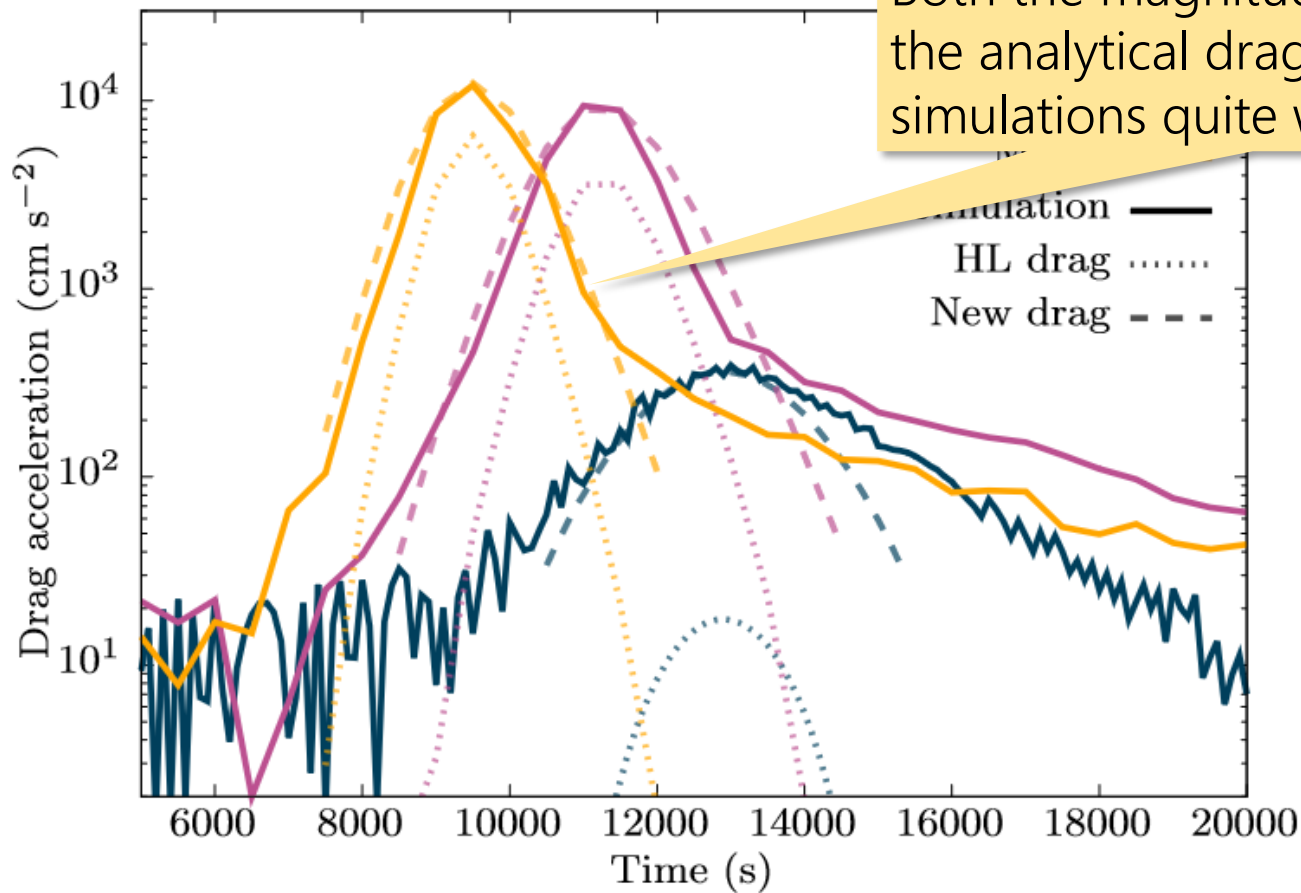
Transverse drag

$$f_{d,\perp} = \pi (\rho_{max} - \rho_{min}) v_\infty^2 R_b^2 \cdot \frac{1}{16} \left[ \frac{2R}{R_b} - \frac{R_b}{2R} \ln \left( 1 + \left( \frac{2R}{R_b} \right)^2 \right) \right]$$

# Semi-analytical modelling

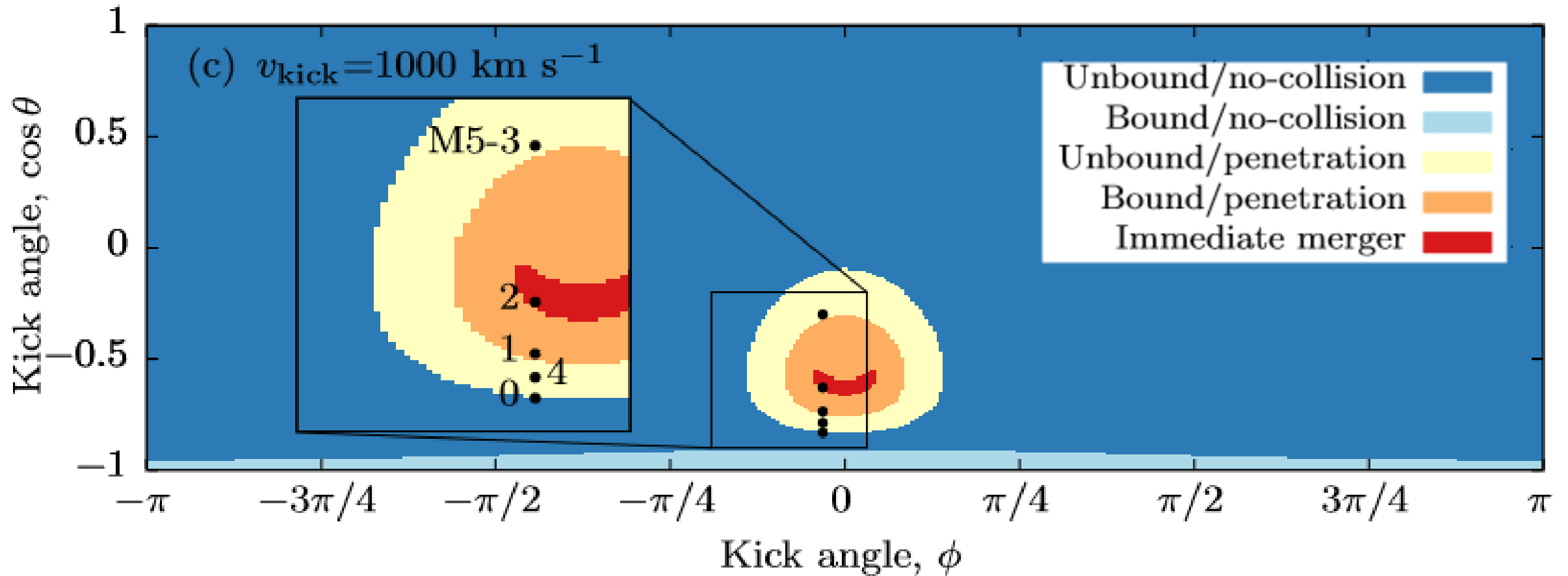
We create a new analytical model for gravitational drag to enable more rapid modelling

Both the magnitude and direction of the analytical drag agrees with the simulations quite well



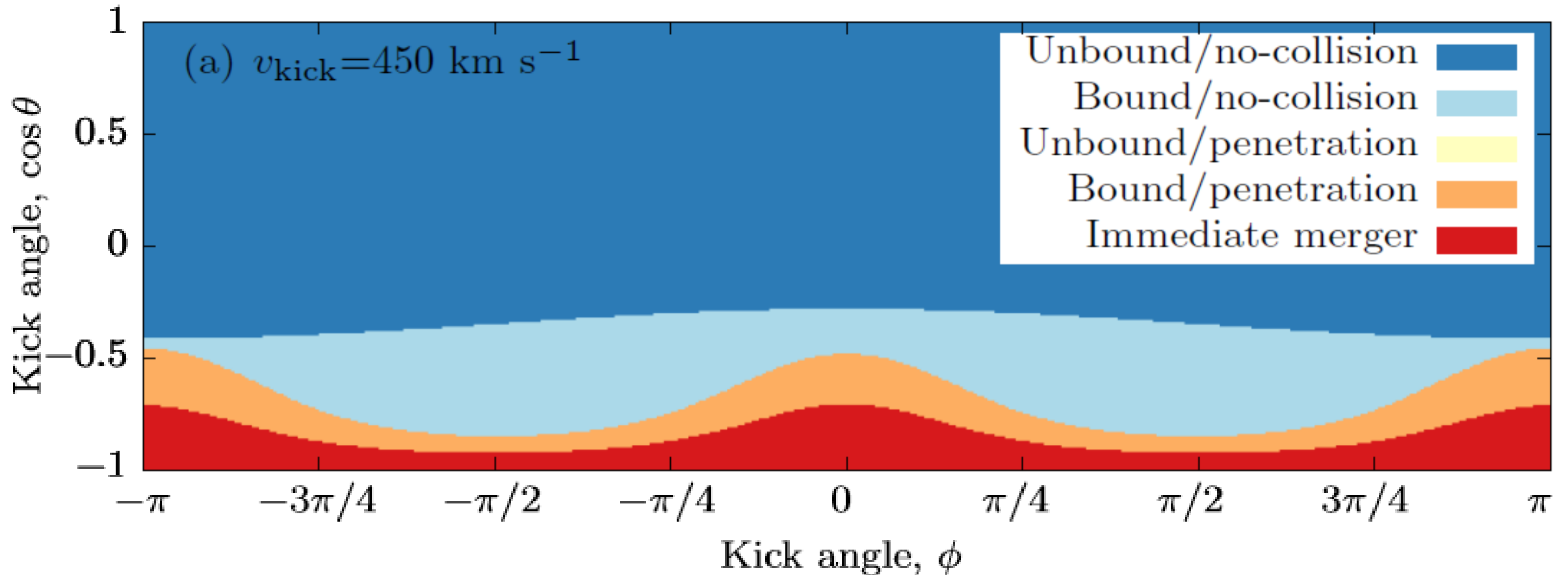
# Classifying the outcomes

We classify the outcomes into 5 different groups



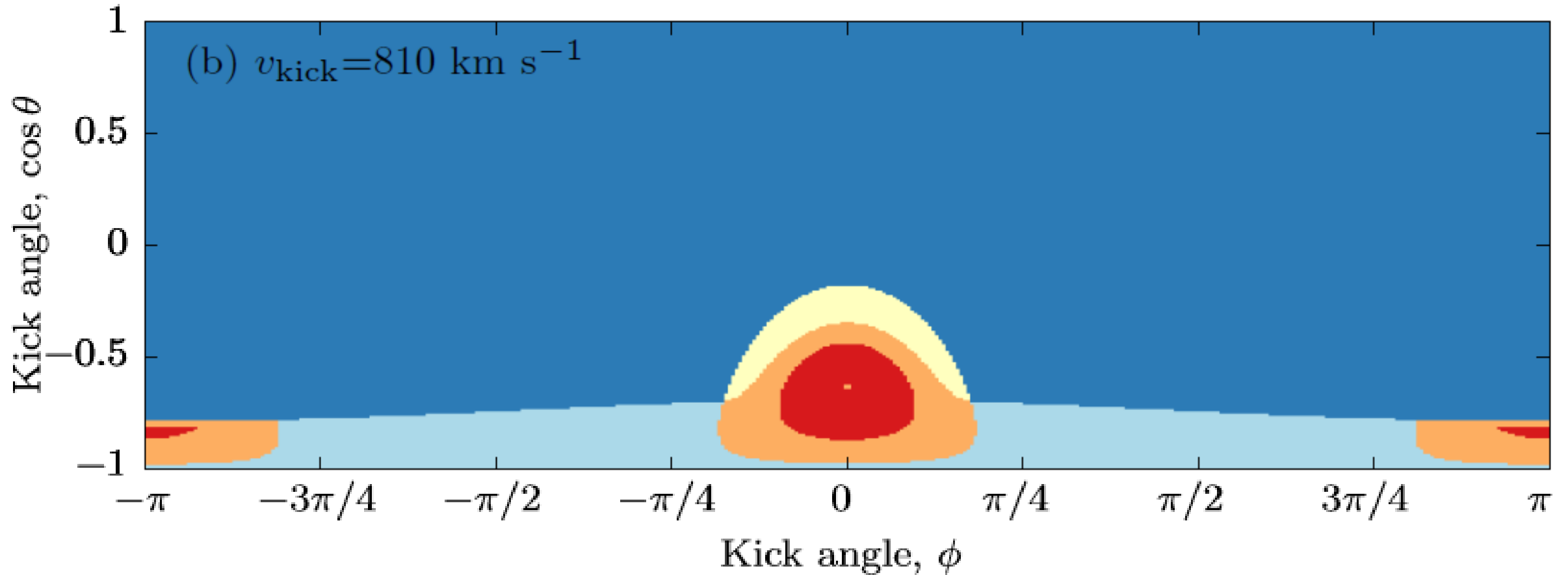
# Classifying the outcomes

We classify the outcomes into 5 different groups



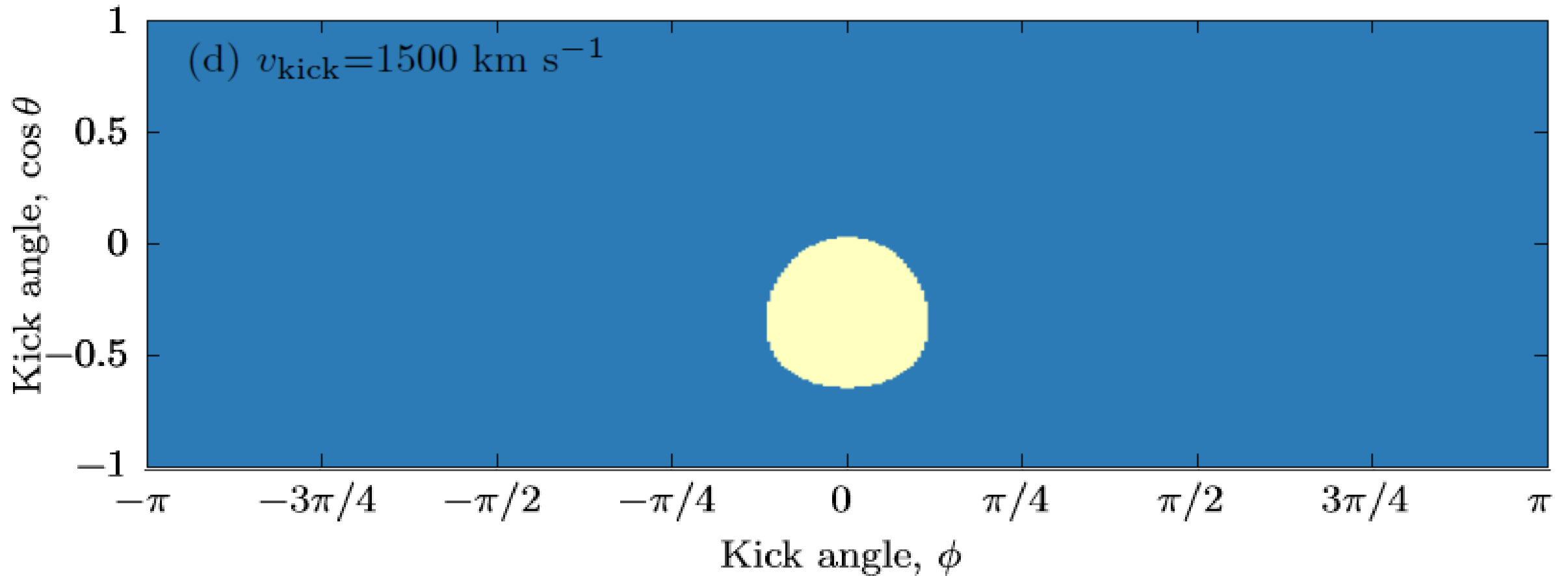
# Classifying the outcomes

We classify the outcomes into 5 different groups

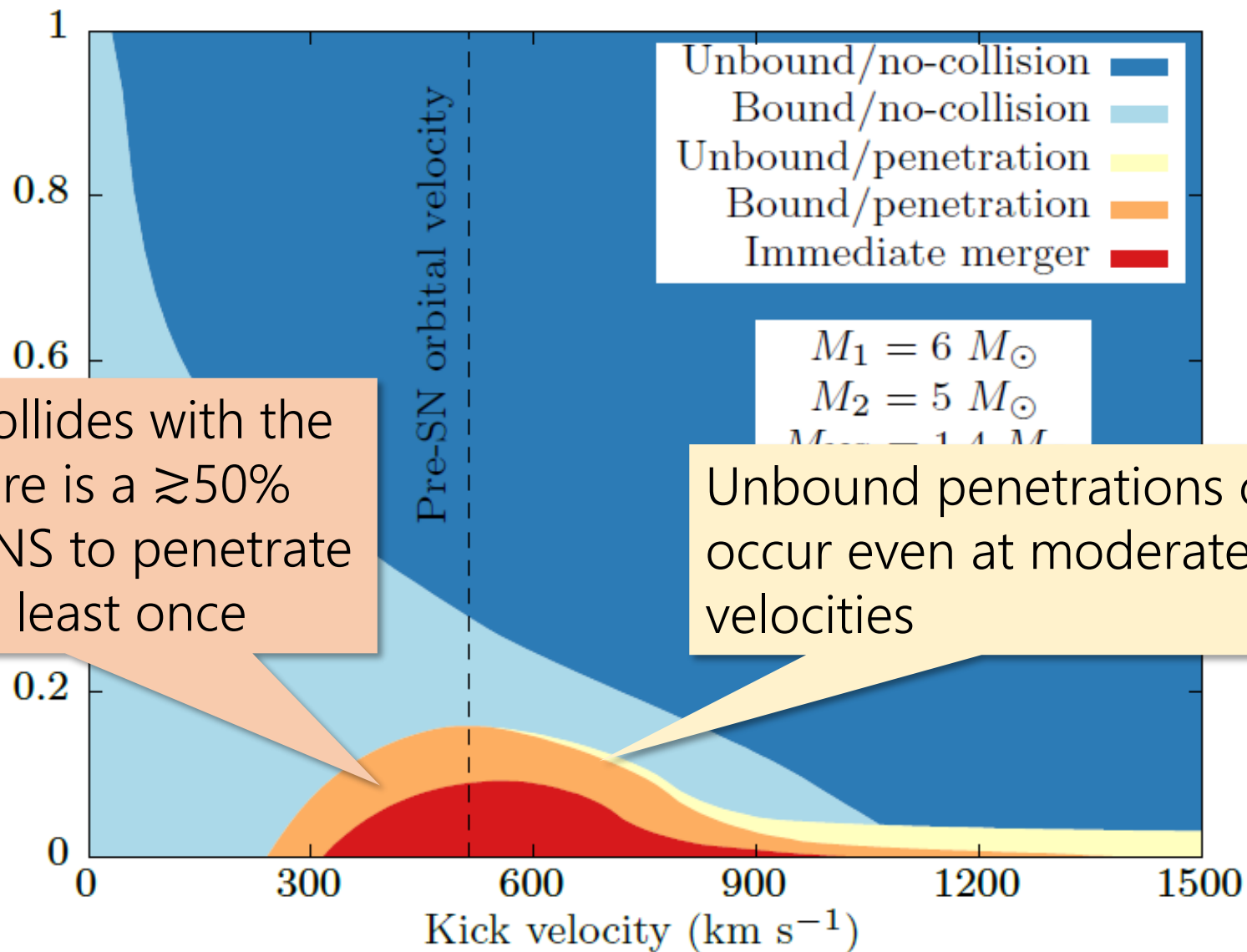


# Classifying the outcomes

We classify the outcomes into 5 different groups



# Probabilities of each outcome



When the NS collides with the companion, there is a  $\gtrsim 50\%$  chance for the NS to penetrate the envelope at least once

Unbound penetrations can occur even at moderate kick velocities



Thorne-Zytkow objects



Hypervelocity stars

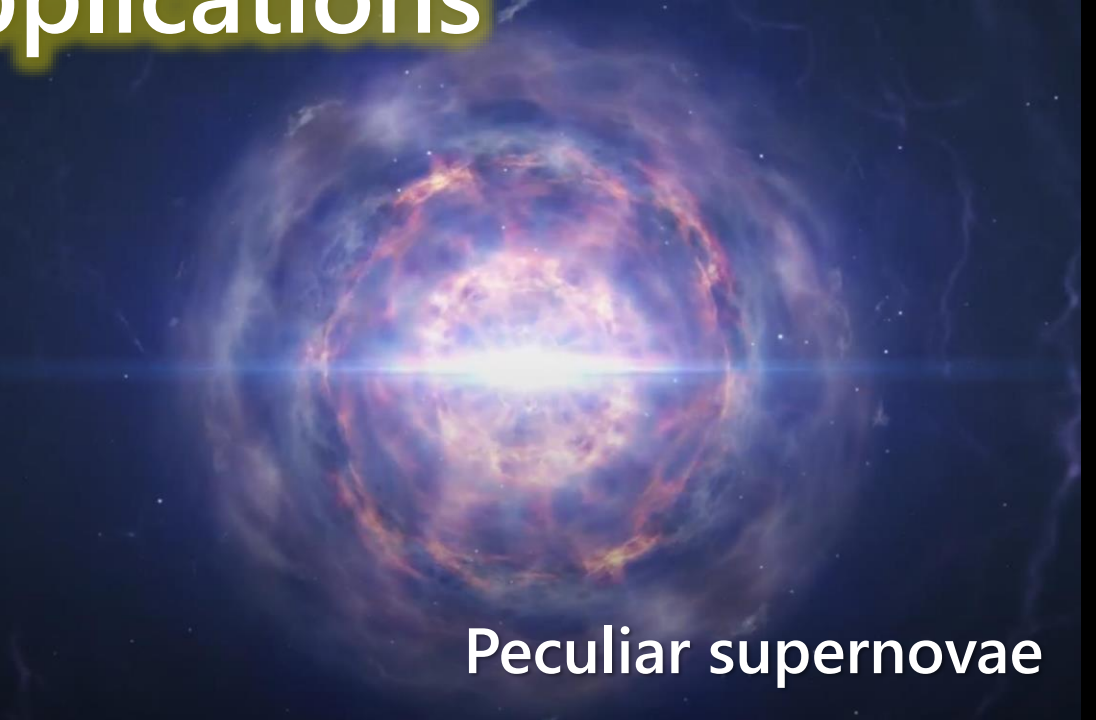


Possible applications

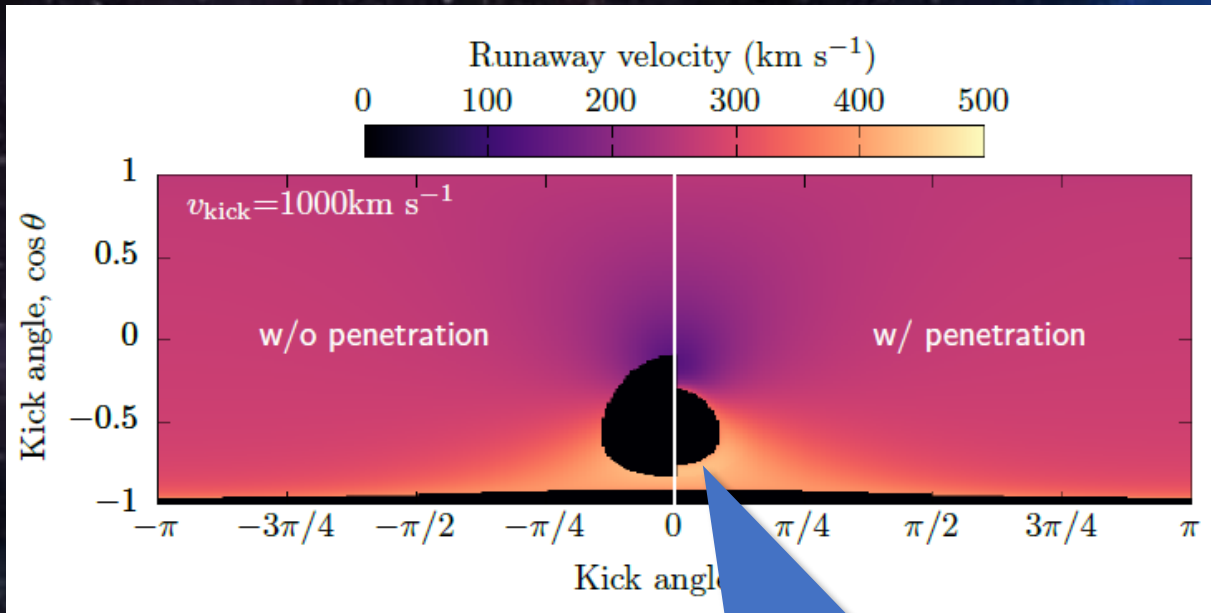
Pulsar planets



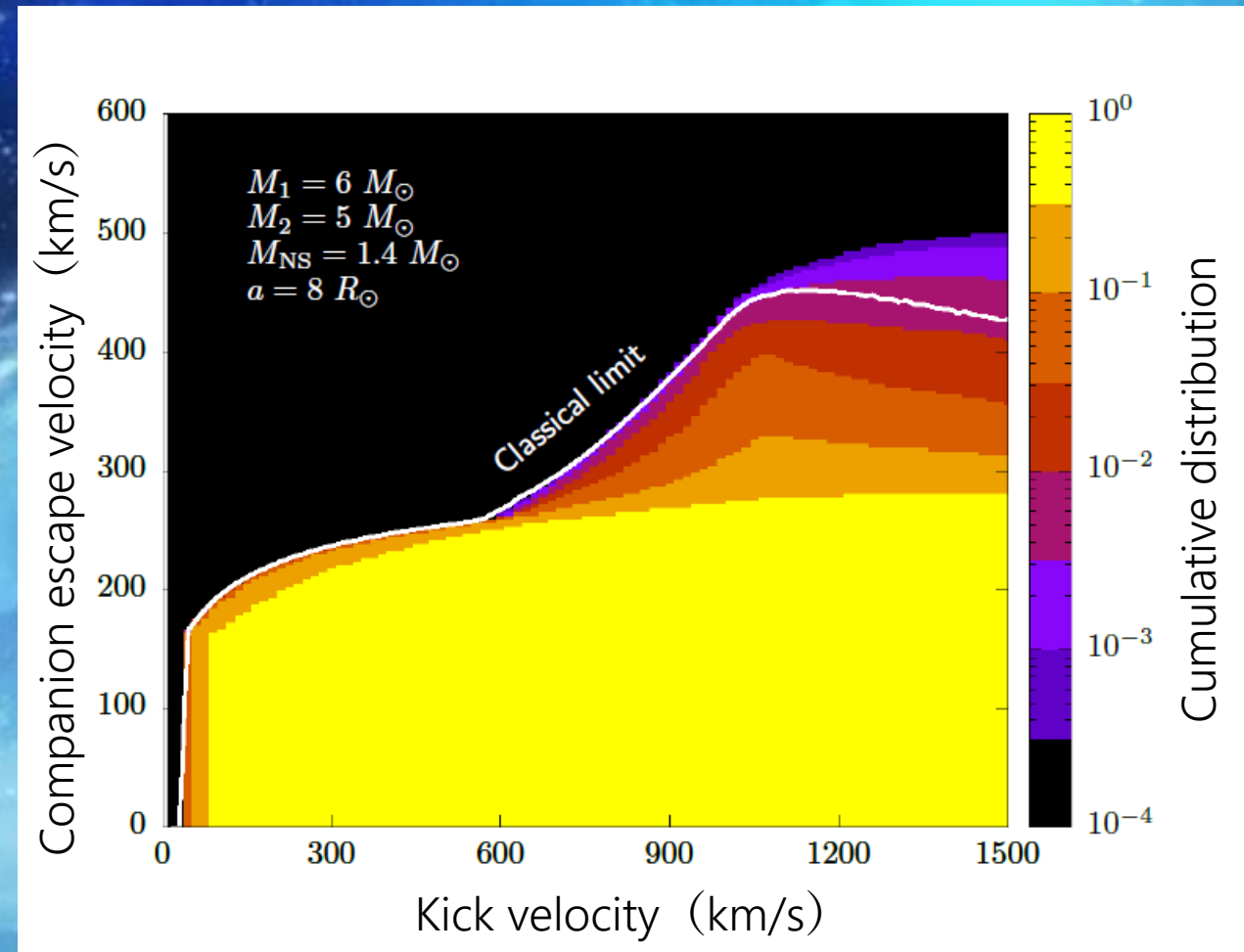
Peculiar supernovae



# New upper limit for hypervelocity stars



We can exceed the classical limit by  $\sim 10\%$  by allowing envelope penetrations



# Origin of pulsar planets

The first exoplanets were discovered around pulsars

>10 pulsar planets discovered so far

Some pulsars even have proto-planetary disks

## Origin scenarios

### 1. Dynamical capture

Steal planets from other stars in dense clusters

### 2. Evaporated companion

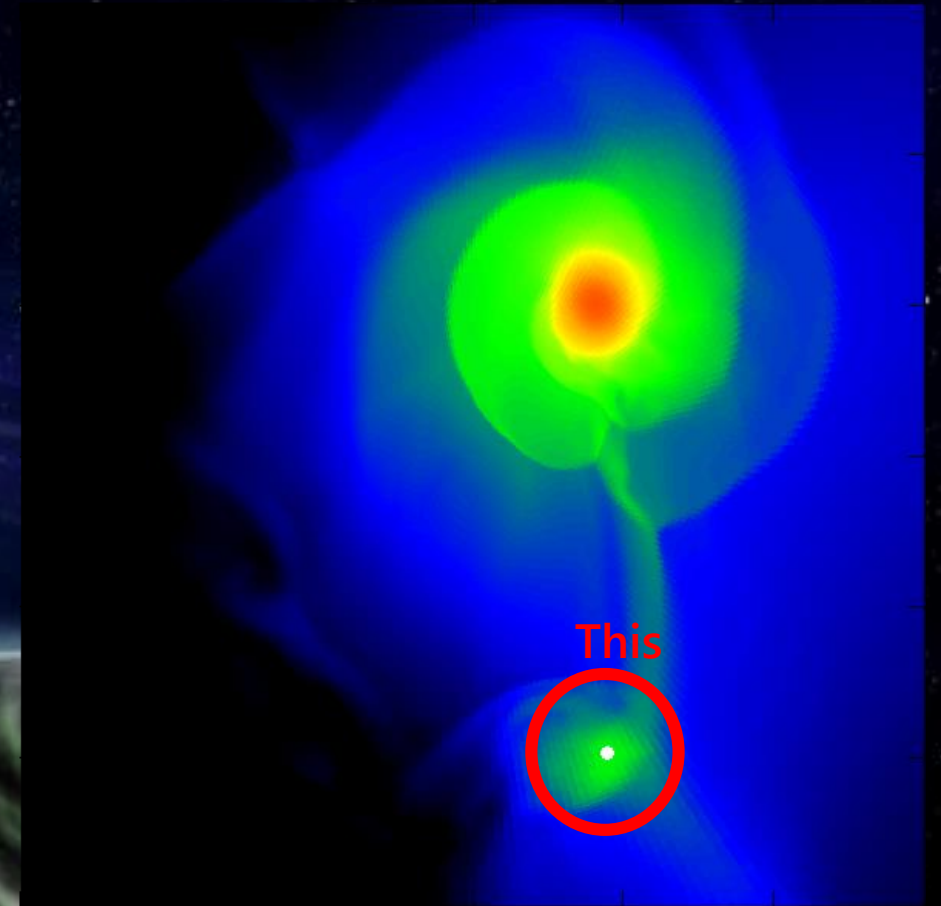
Evaporate the companion star via pulsar winds

### 3. NS-WD merger

Tidally disrupt a WD to create proto-planetary disks

### 4. Matter capture from companion

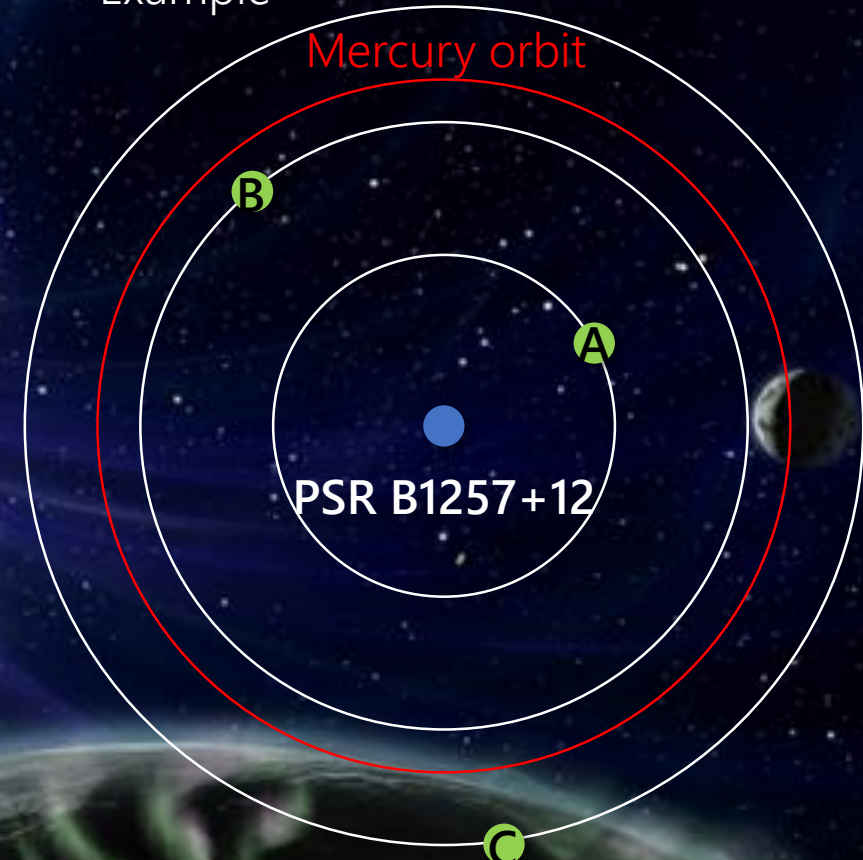
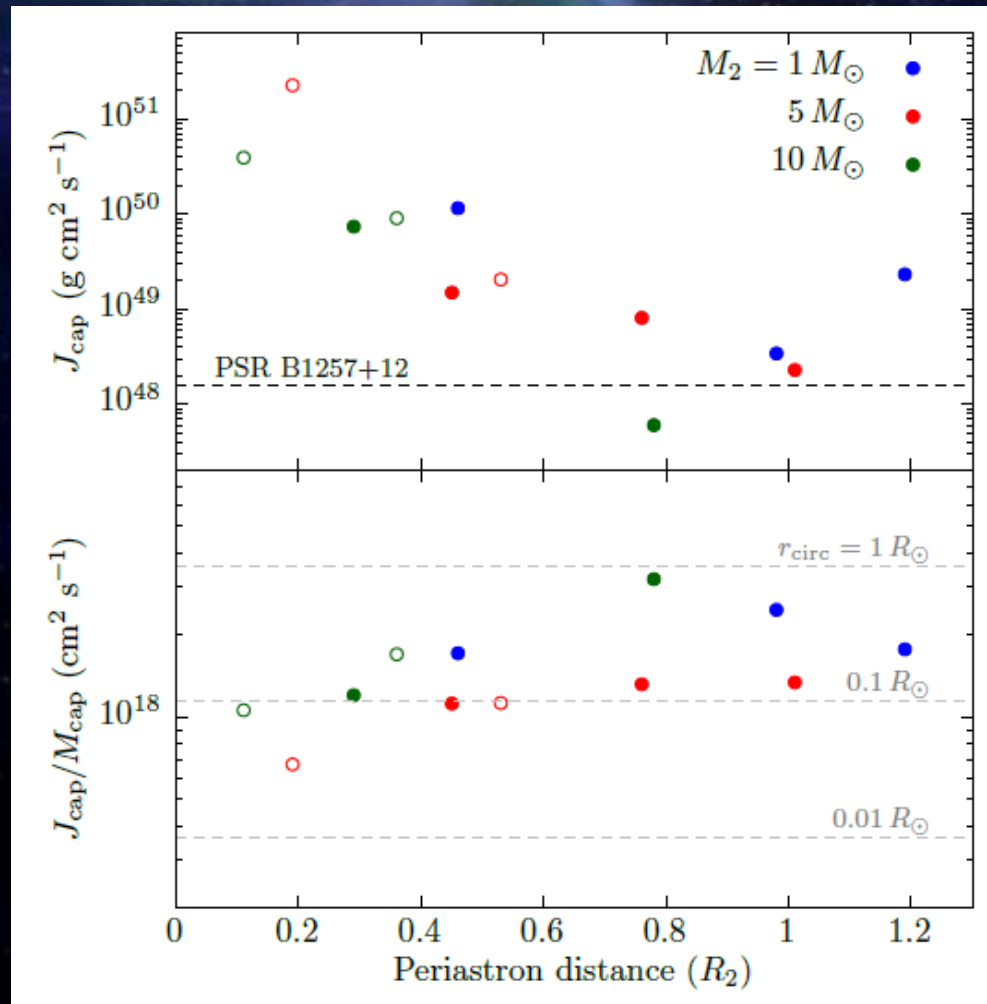
Accrete matter from companion to create proto-planetary disk



# Captured mass by the neutron star

The NS captured  $1-10M_J$  of mass from the companion in our simulations

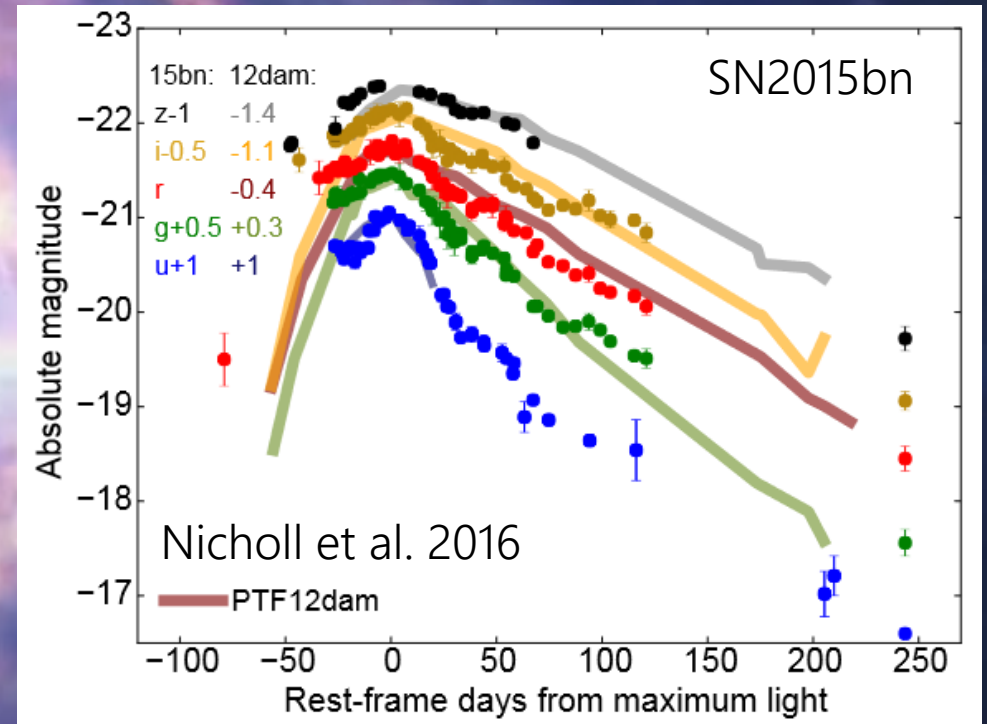
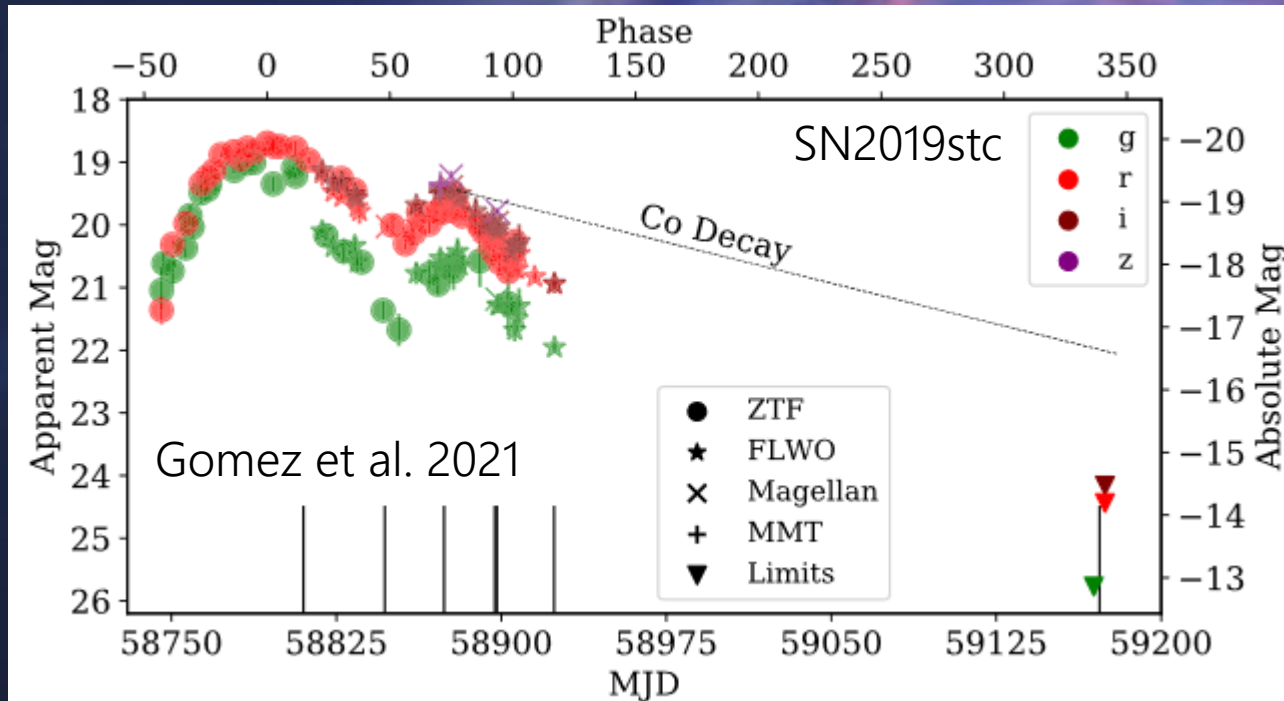
Example



Mass and angular momentum captured by the NS is sufficient for pulsar planet formation

# Bumpy superluminous supernovae?

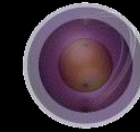
Recently, some stripped-envelope superluminous SNe are showing very bumpy light curves



For our bound+penetration models, the NS can interact with the companion multiple times  
Each time, the NS can take away some matter and accrete it to power the light curve from inside

# Summary

- Stripped-envelope supernovae can have non-zero chances for the NS being kicked into the companion
- When the kick is strong enough, the NS can sometimes penetrate through the companion's envelope, taking away some matter at the same time
- Envelope penetration could explain the origin of the following phenomena
  - Thorne-Żytkow objects
  - Hypervelocity stars
  - Pulsar planets
  - Peculiar supernovae (bumpy SESN)



Phantom is definitely more suitable for this  
Anyone want to follow up?

