

SN Ia Progenitors

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Mount Stromlo and Siding Spring Observatories*



- 1.35m telescope with 5.2 sq degree im
- 12s reado exchange
- All Southe steradians epochs
- First light this year.



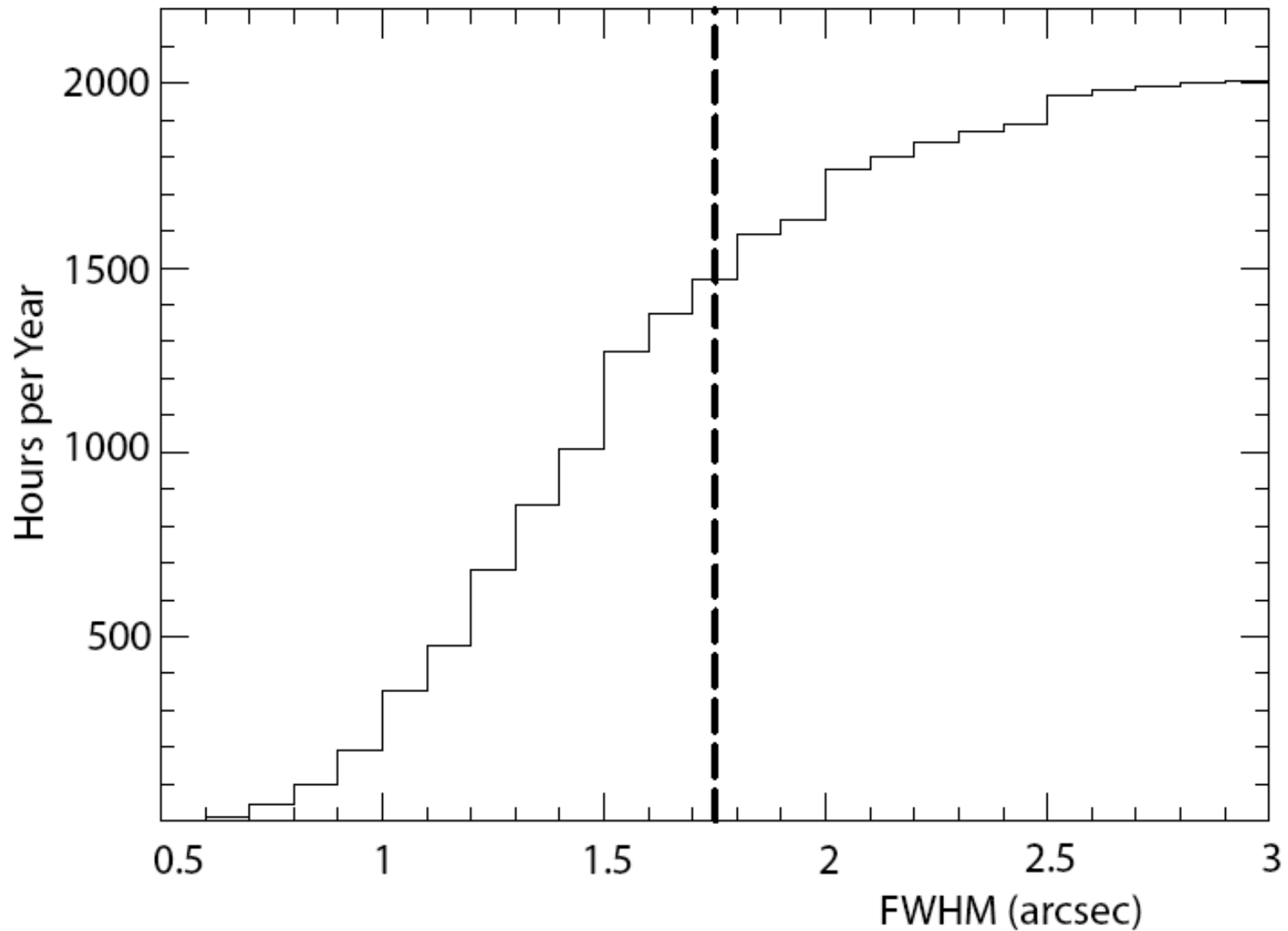
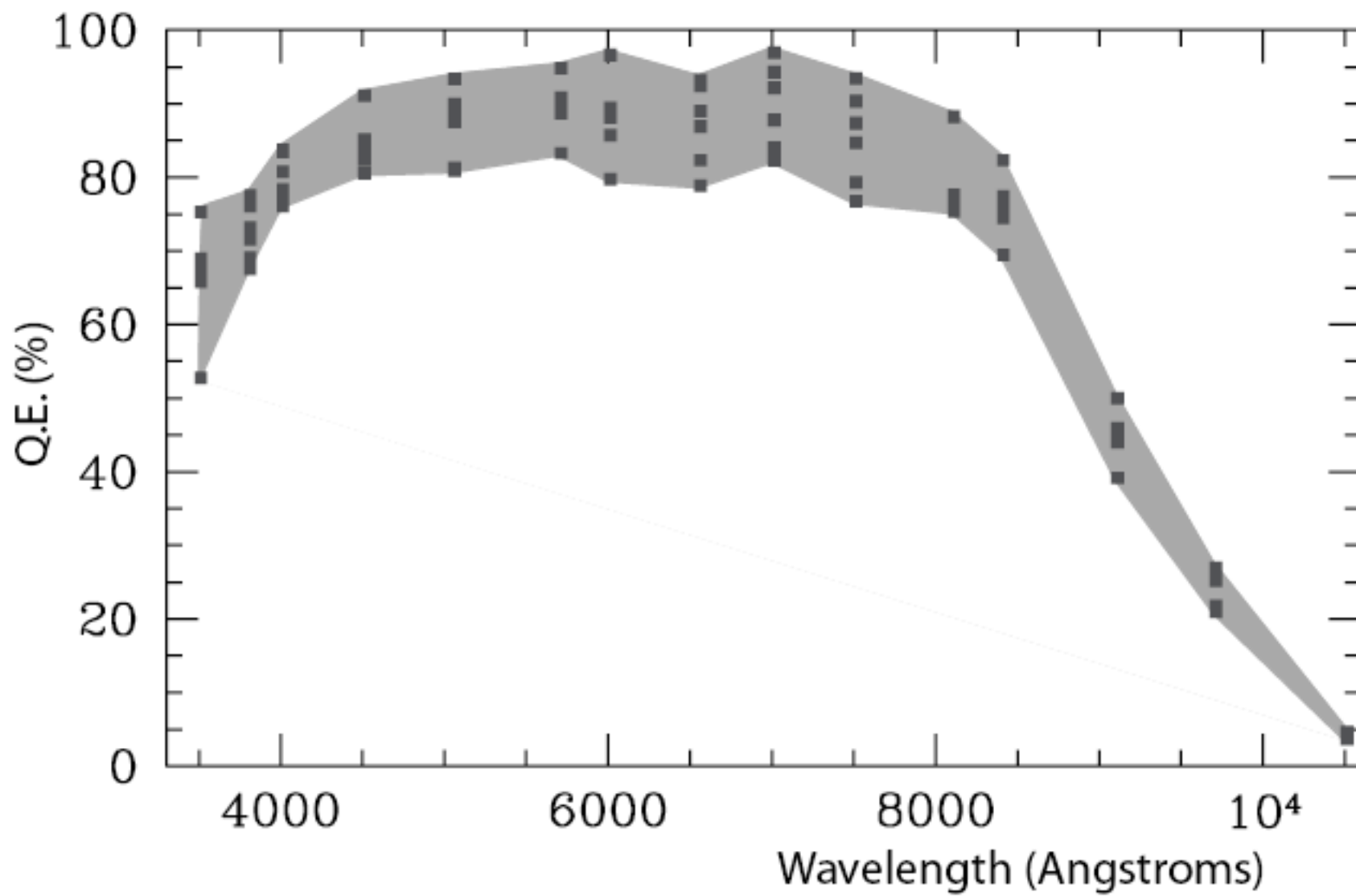
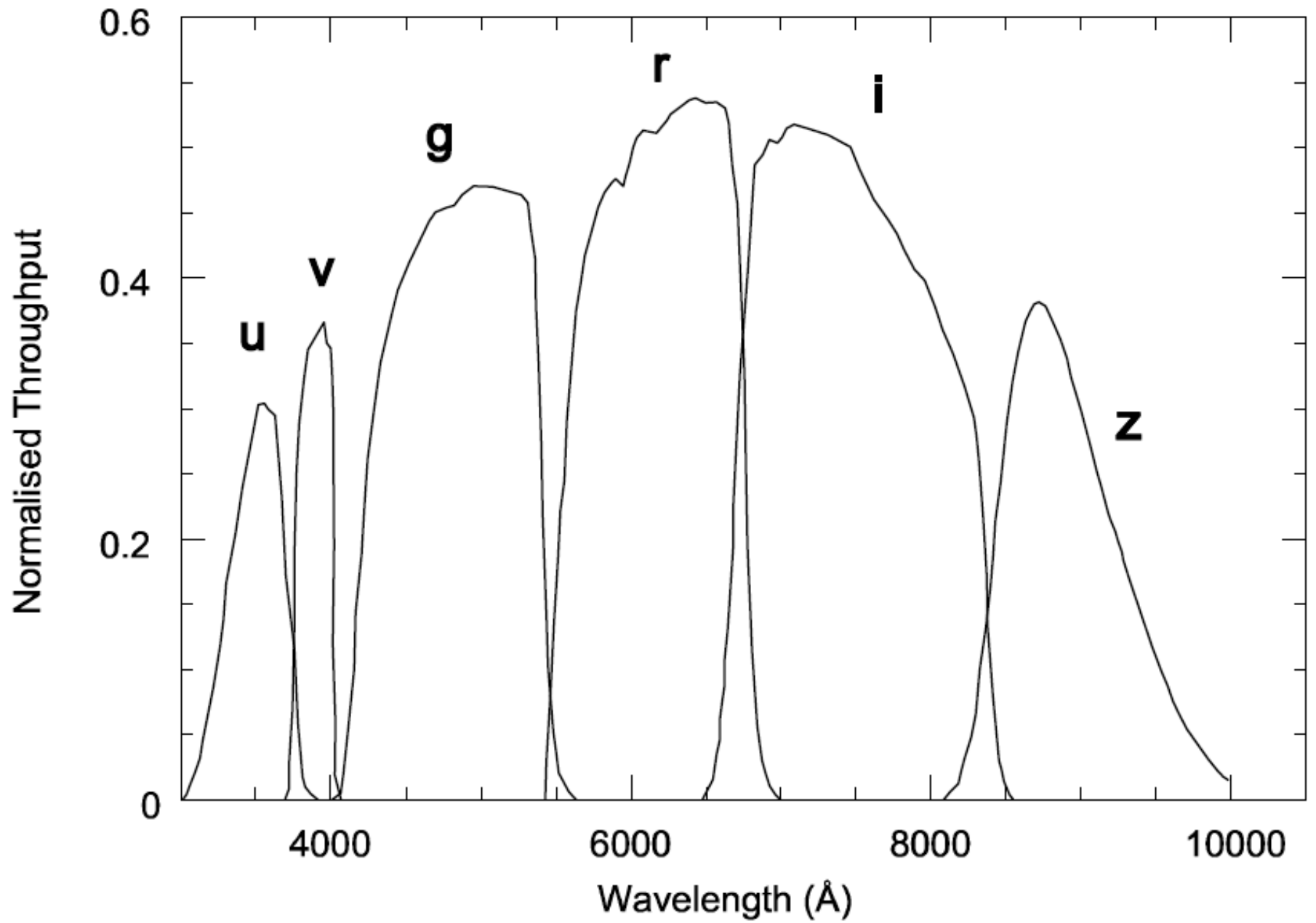


Figure 3: Seeing at Siding Spring derived from logs of the Anglo-Australian Telescope.



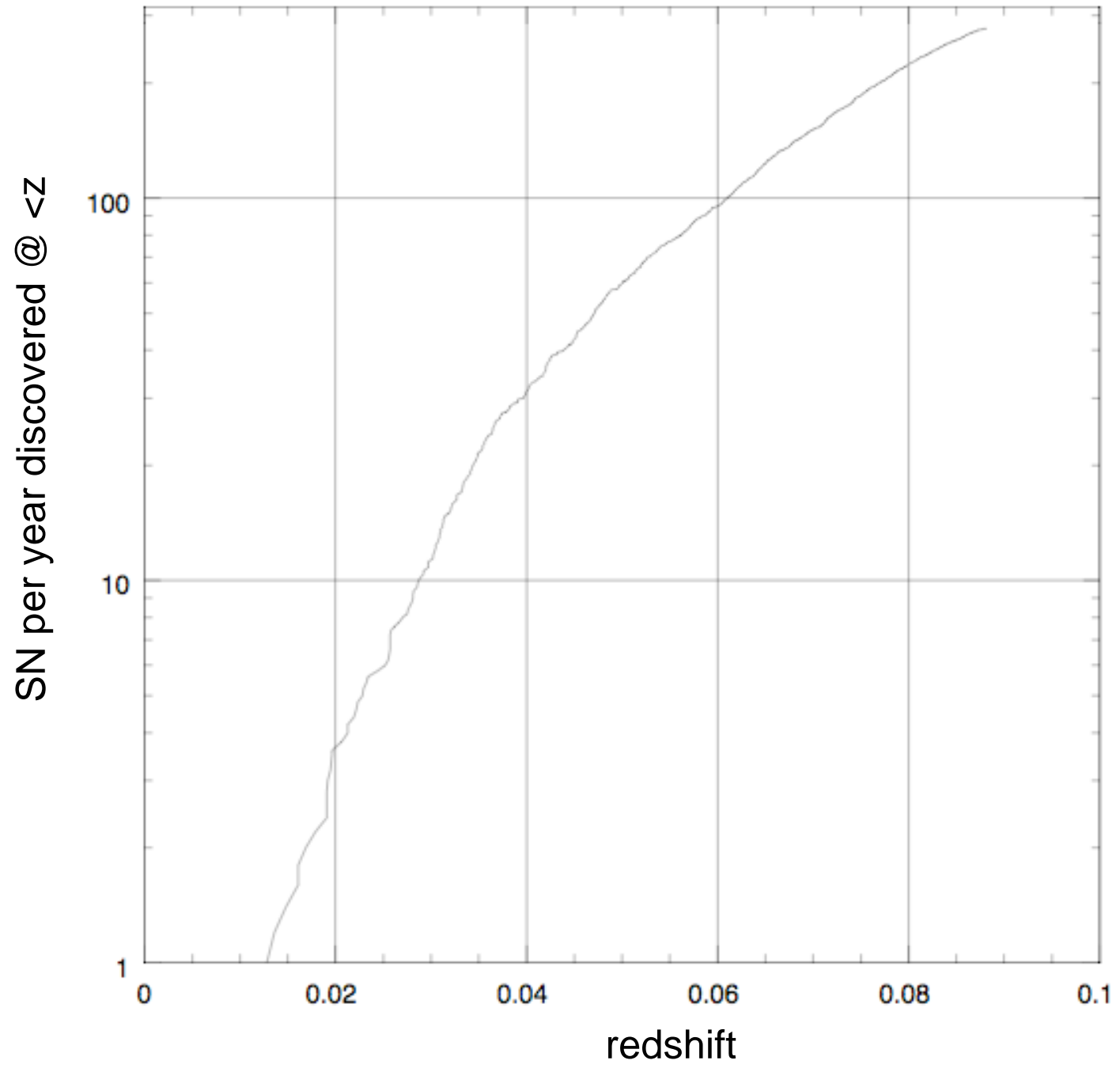


Sensitivity - SNR=10 Vega Mags

	u	v	g	r	i	z
30s 2" D	18.6	19.1	20.4	19.7	18.8	18.1
30s 2" G	18.3	18.9	20.1	19.5	18.7	18.0
30s 2" B	17.1	18.1	19.0	18.9	18.3	17.7

Survey

- Survey Speed: 2 minutes per field (v,g,i)
 - 1250 sq/degrees per 8hr night.
 - Use bad seeing time (worst 1/3rd + augment with 60hrs/year to fill in gaps) to do 1250 sq/degree continual SN search
 - Spectroscopic follow-up of anything brighter than 18.5
 - In collaboration with IN2P3 (Pain, Austier, Guy, Regnault)



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- WD accretes Helium, sub $1.38 M_{\odot}$ edge-lit detonations (Rank Outsider: Odds currently undefined!)
- Makes Sense to look for the friend
 - Ruiz-Lapuente and colleagues have emphasized this, calculated missing pieces, sifted through historical data, and analysed a lot of data from a variety of sources.

Single Degenerate Chandrasekhar mass SN Ia

Donation via
Roche Lobe
overflow from
Main Sequence
or Red Giant
Star...
Supersoft sources

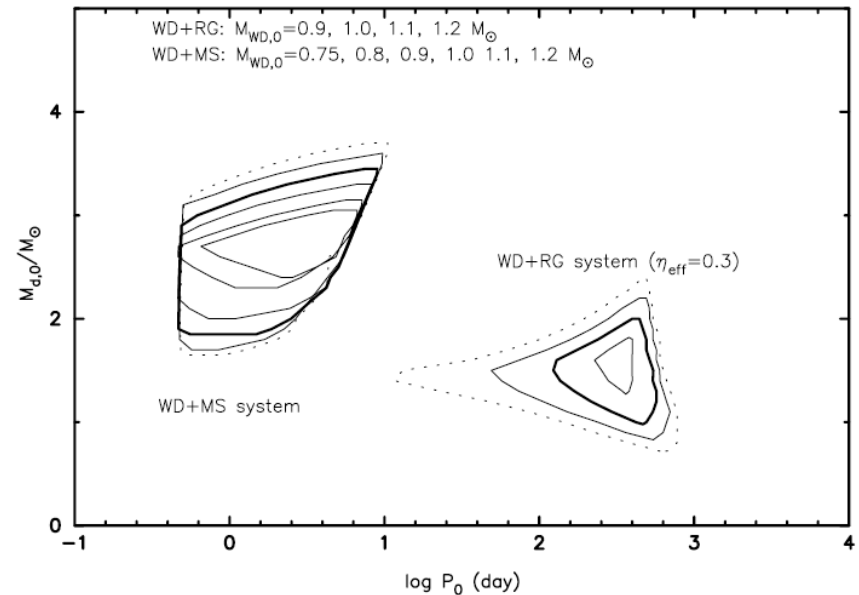


FIG. 13.—Same as Fig. 12 but for the much lower mass-stripping efficiency of $\eta_{\text{eff}} = 0.3$. We add the region for $M_{\text{WD},0} = 1.2 M_{\odot}$ both for the WD+MS and WD+RG systems (*dotted lines*). The region for $M_{\text{WD},0} = 0.8 M_{\odot}$ vanishes for the WD+RG system.

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HACHISU, KATO, & NOMOTO

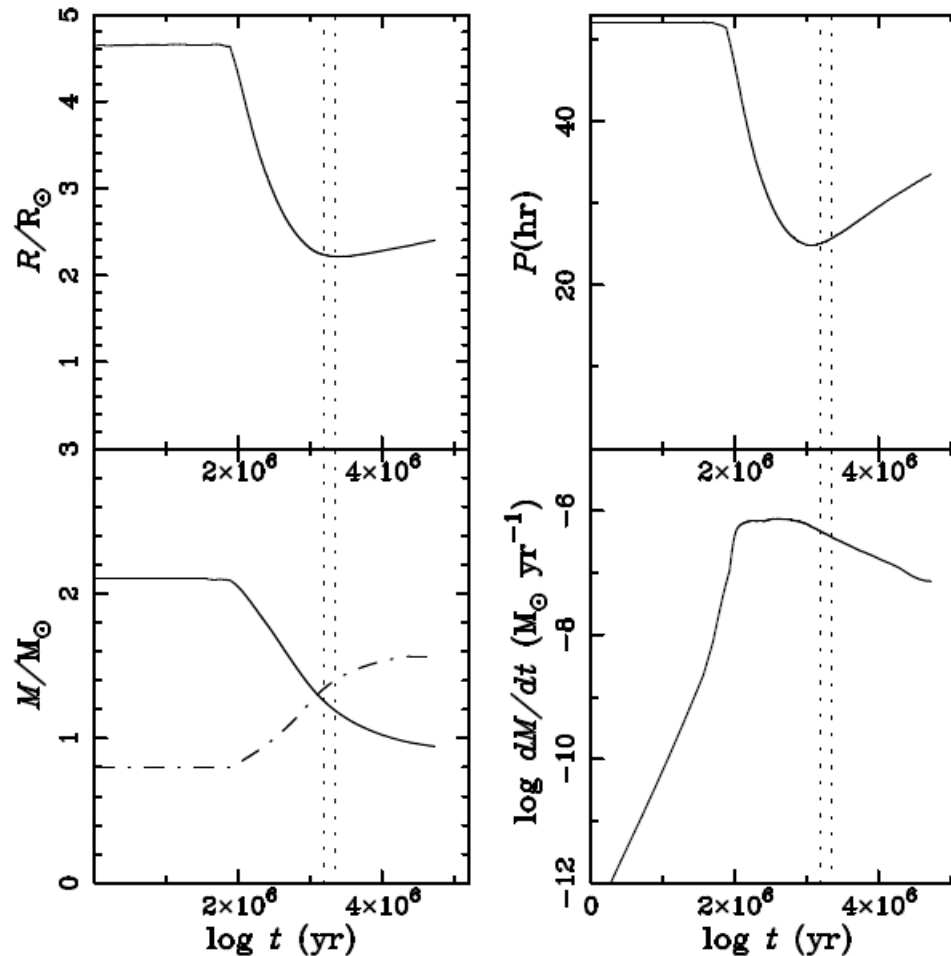
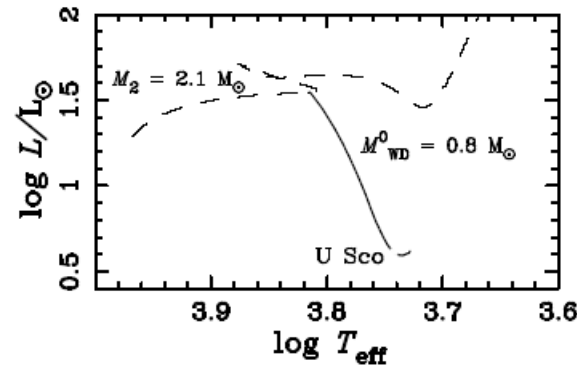
Podsiadlowski 2003
 Han & Podsiadlowski 2003

Supersoft X-ray sources

Evolved $\sim 2 M_{\square}$
 Main Sequence or
 Red Giant Star...

UScorpil has
 $>1.35 M_{\square}$ WD and
 Is still growing (but is it
 made of CO?).

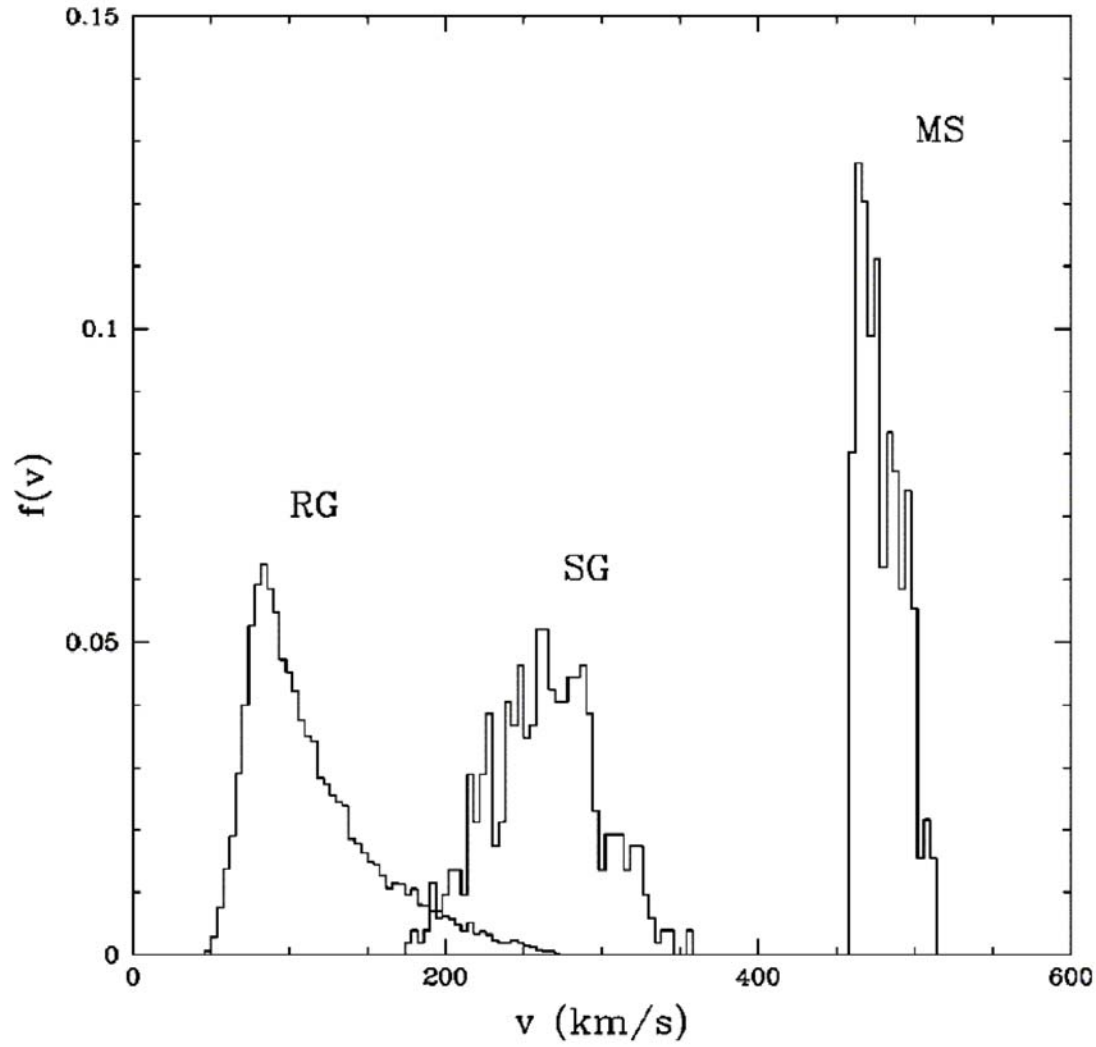
Hachisu et al. 2000;
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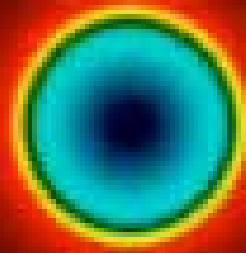


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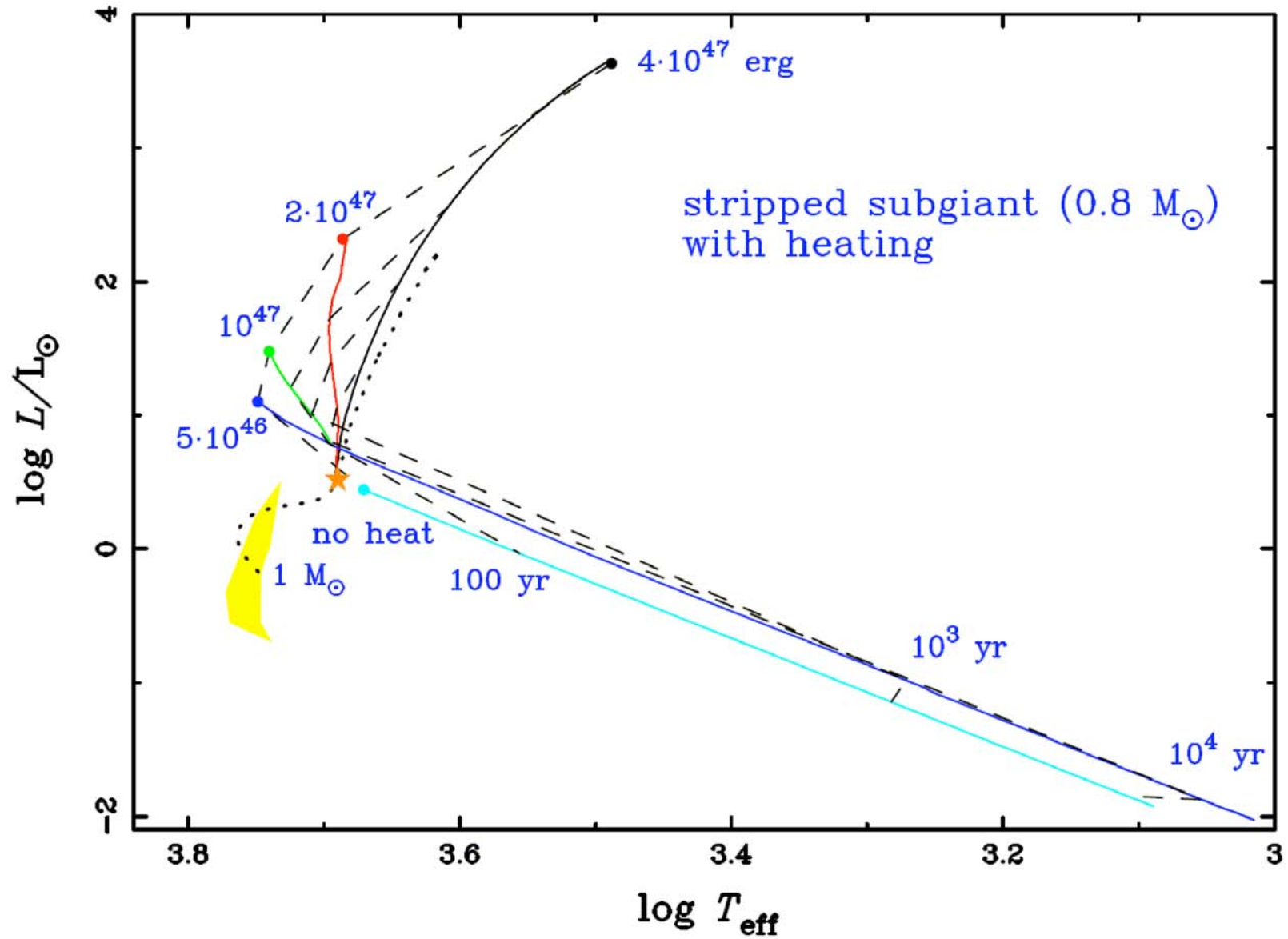
Summary of Simulations

Simulations	M (M_{\odot})	a (km)	a/R	SN Model	ΔM (M_{\odot}) ^a
HCV	1.017 (MS)	2.04×10^6	3.00	W7	0.15
HCVa	1.017 (MS)	1.75×10^6	2.57	W7	0.23
HCVb	1.017 (MS)	2.72×10^6	4.00	W7	0.074
HCVc	1.017 (MS)	4.08×10^6	6.00	W7	0.022
HCVd	1.017 (MS)	8.16×10^6	12.00	W7	0.0018
HCVL	1.132 (SG)	3.39×10^6	2.78	W7	0.17
HCVLa	2.118 (SG)	4.50×10^6	2.78	W7	0.25
HALGOLa	0.977 (red giant)	3.00×10^8	2.52	W7	0.54 (98%)
SYMB	0.977 (red giant)	3.76×10^8	3.16	Hedt	0.53 (96%)

Summary of Simulations

- Dwarfs and subgiants do not lose too much mass, and are largely unchanged by explosion.
- Giants can lose a lot of mass, and should end up remaining as giants, or as an exposed hot cores.
- All objects remain, and should have $L > L_{\alpha}$

Podsiadlowski 2003

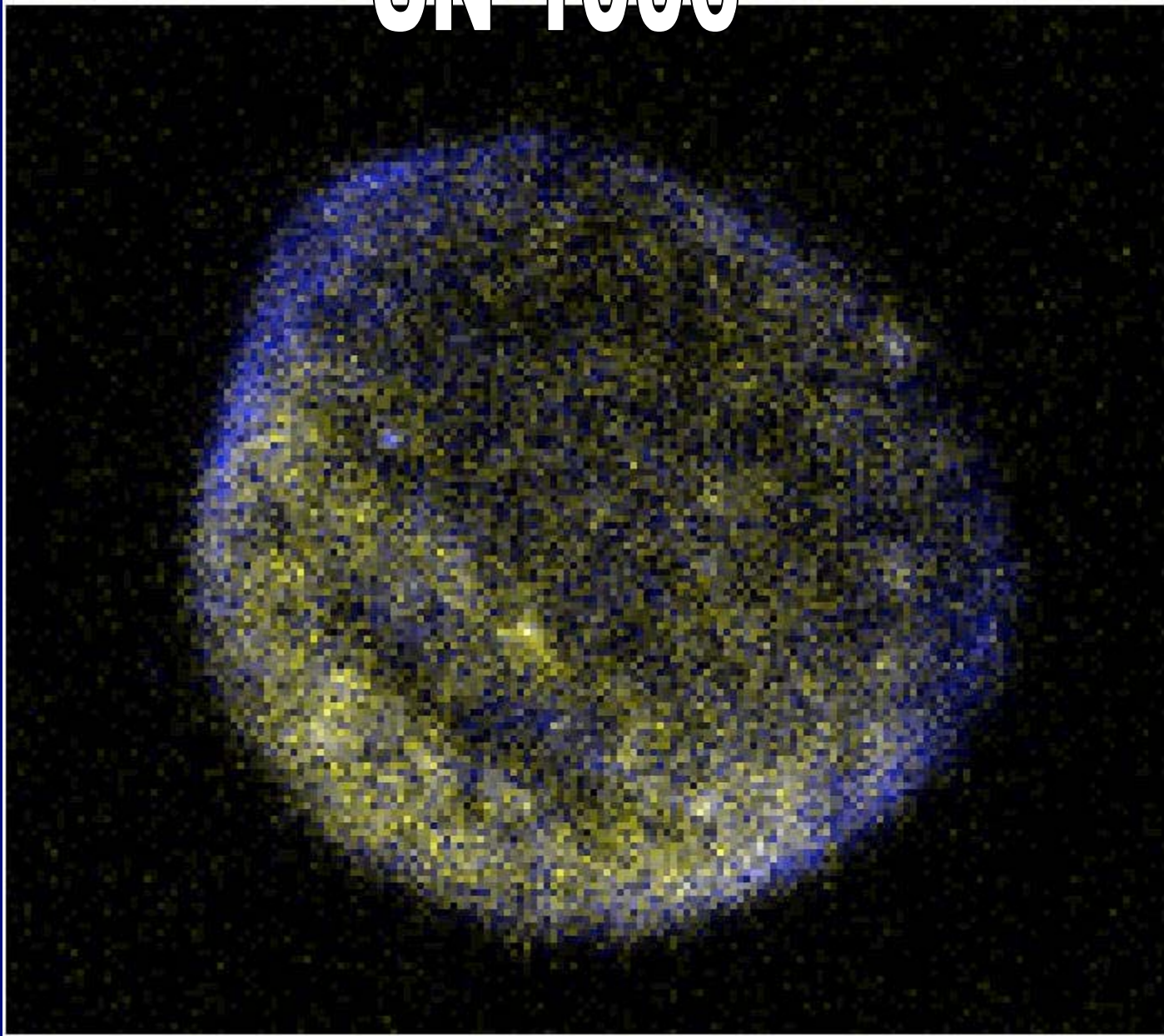


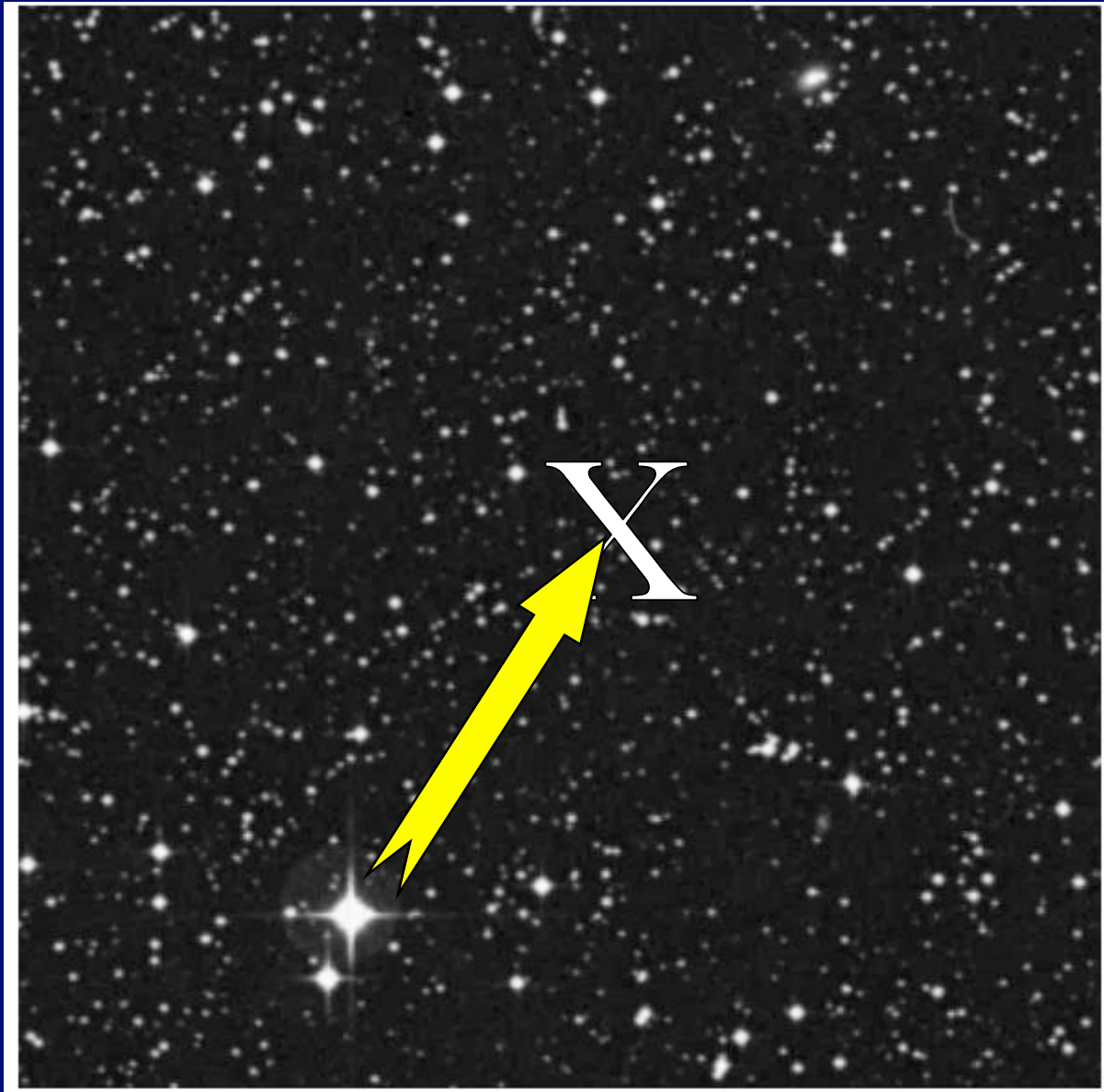
Historical SN Ia

- Definite SN Ia (light curve – remnant composition)
- Young (the younger the better)
- Near (nearer the better)

- Ruiz Lapuente (2004, ApJ and 2004 Nature)
 - SN 1006
 - Tycho's SN

SN 1006





1994

$$\theta = 0.264'' \left(\frac{2\text{kpc}}{D} \right) \left(\frac{v}{100 \text{ km/s}} \right) \left(\frac{t}{25\text{yrs}} \right)$$

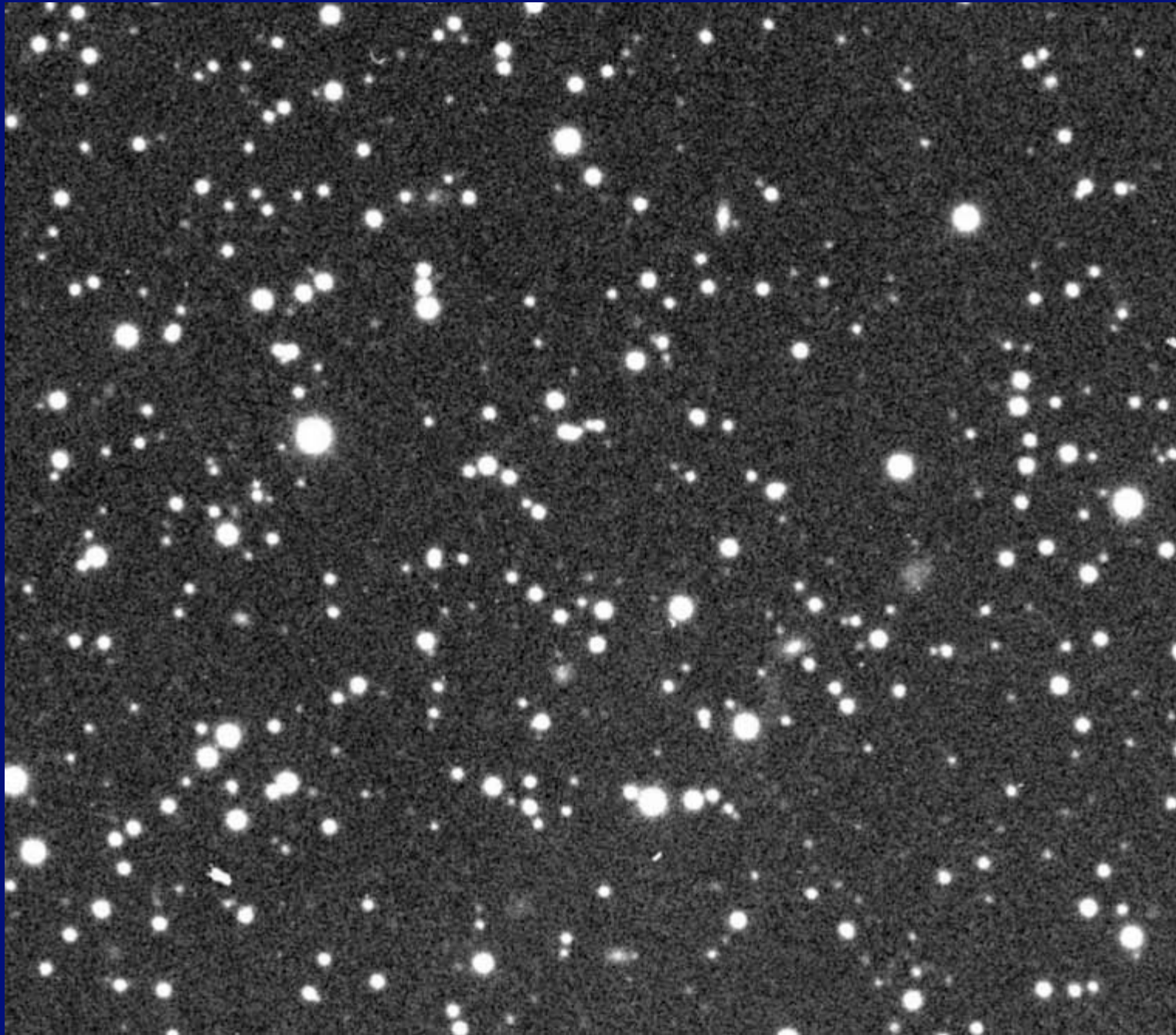
What's its proper motion?

$$\theta = 10.6'' \left(\frac{2\text{kpc}}{D} \right) \left(\frac{v}{100 \text{ km/s}} \right) \left(\frac{t}{1000\text{yrs}} \right)$$

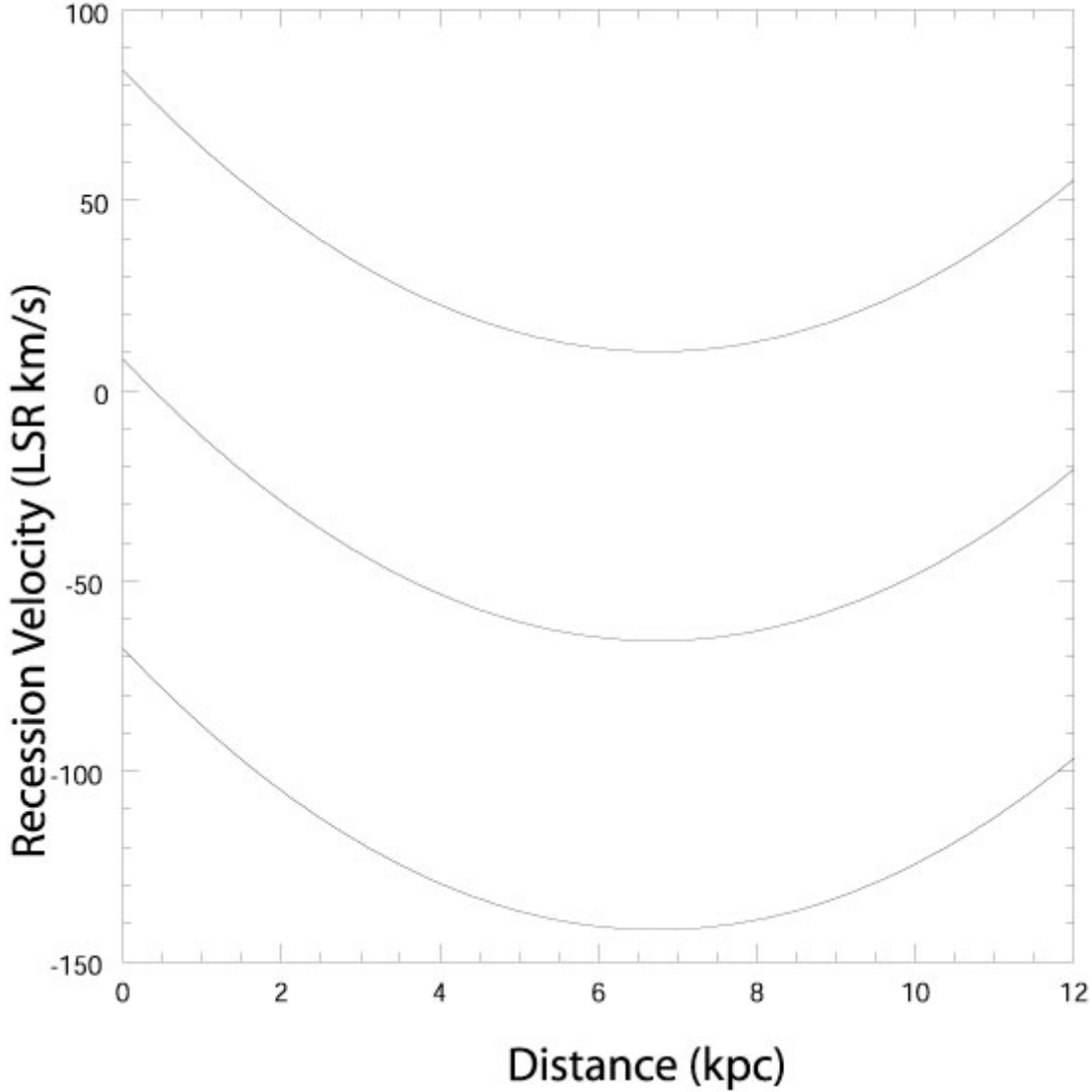
How Far has it moved?

$$m = 16 - 2.5 \log \left(\frac{L}{L_{sun}} \right) + 5 \log \left(\frac{D}{2\text{kpc}} \right)$$

How Bright is it?



SN1006 ($l=327.8, b=14.5$)



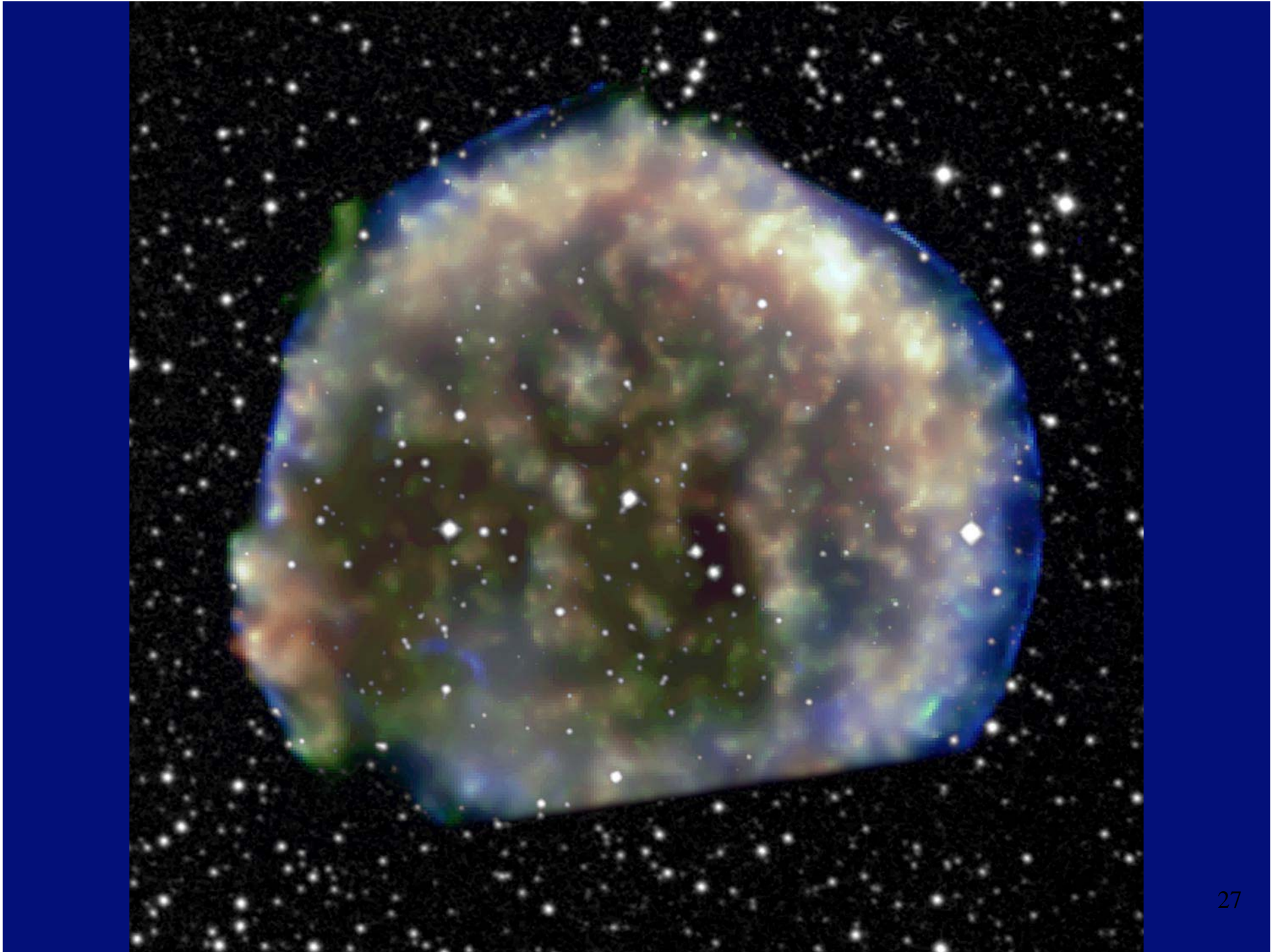
Data Available

- UK Schmidt plates in 1974 & 1991 to $V=20$
 - Astro precision: 0.5 (99% confidence)
- CTIO 4m plates to $V=22$ in 1976 and 1979
 - Astro precision: 0.2 (99% confidence)
- HST (WFPC2) of inner region to $V=25$ in 1996/97 (Fesen et al) plus ACS data to be taken in 2003 (Ruiz-Lapuente et al.)
 - Astro precision: 0.05? (99% confidence)
- $R=40000$ VLT spectra of all objects brighter than 15mag (Ruiz-Lapuente, Langer et al)
- $R=3000$ Gemini, Magellan and 2.3m spectra of all objects brighter than 18

This is all still being analysed. Nothing obvious, but there is a lot to sift through.

Tycho SN 1572

- Distance ~ 2.8 kpc
- 1.85 mags of extinction
- 435 years old





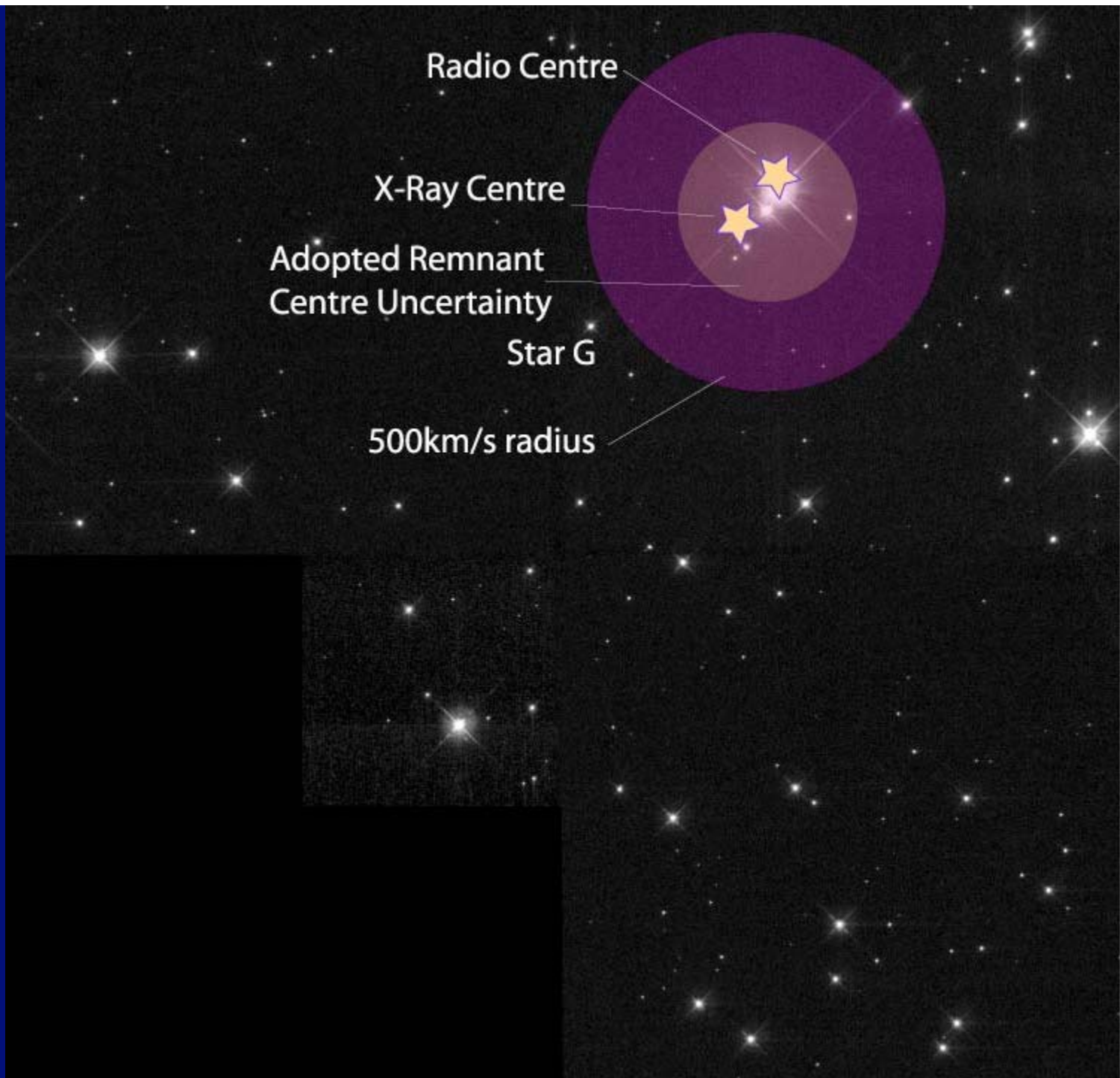
Radio Centre

X-Ray Centre

Adopted Remnant
Centre Uncertainty

Star G

500km/s radius



$$\theta = 0.021'' \left(\frac{3\text{kpc}}{D} \right) \left(\frac{v}{100 \text{ km/s}} \right) \left(\frac{t}{3\text{yrs}} \right)$$

What's its proper motion?

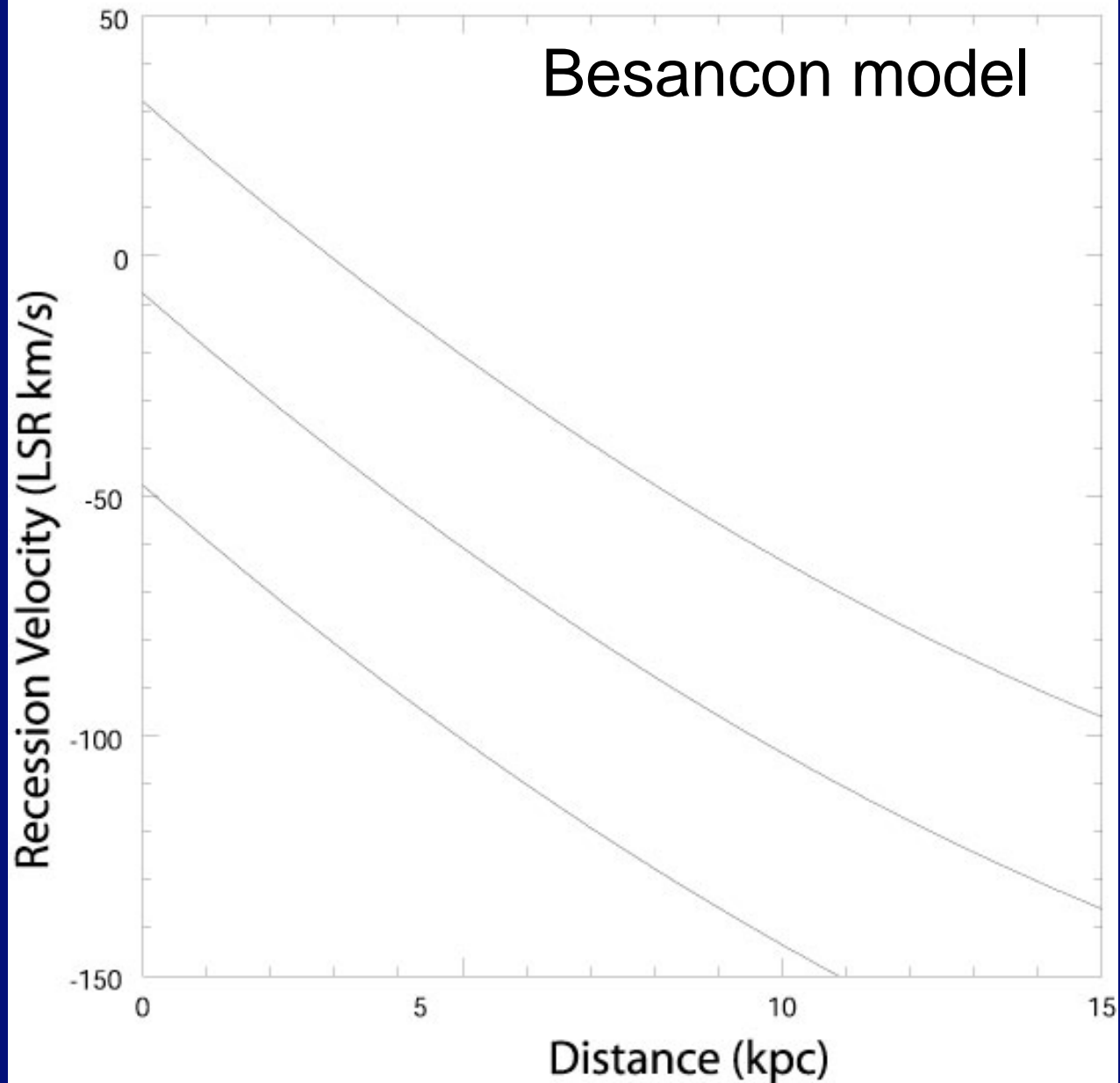
$$\theta = 3.0'' \left(\frac{3\text{kpc}}{D} \right) \left(\frac{v}{100 \text{ km/s}} \right) \left(\frac{t}{434 \text{ yrs}} \right)$$

How Far has it moved?

$$m = 18.9 - 2.5 \log \left(\frac{L}{L_{sun}} \right) + 5 \log \left(\frac{D}{3\text{kpc}} \right) + (A_v - 1.85)$$

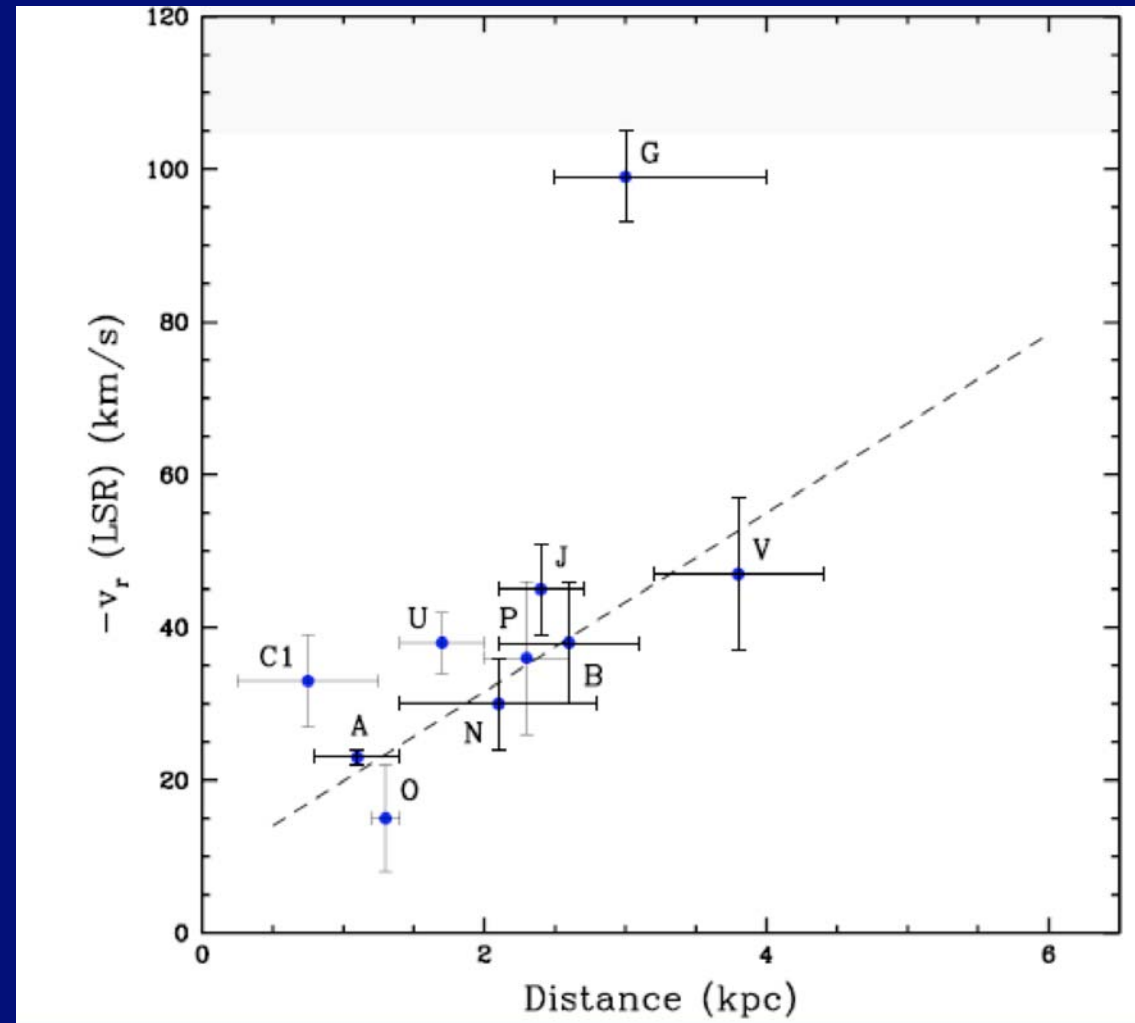
How Bright is it?

Tycho ($l=120.1, b=1.4$)

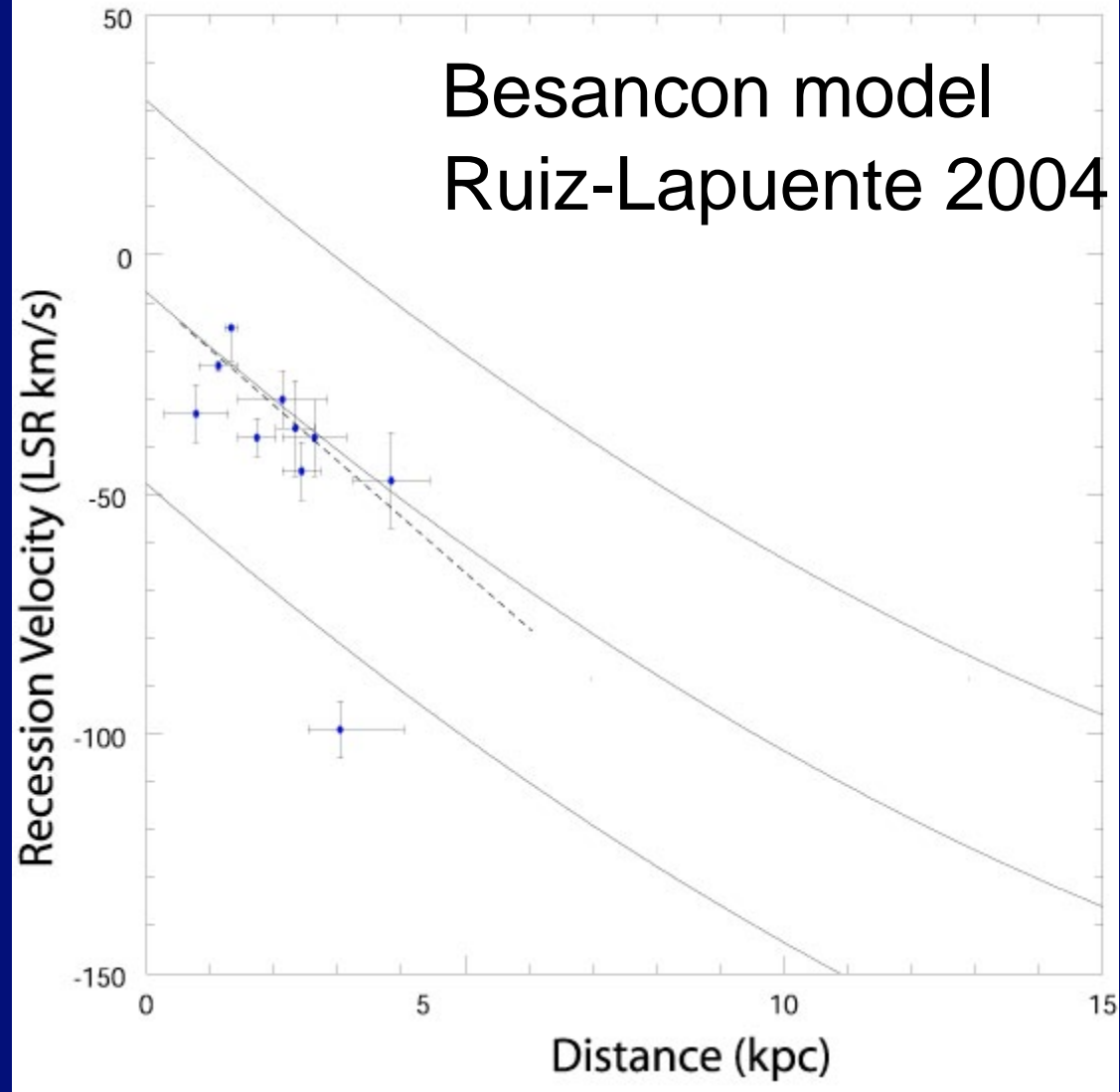


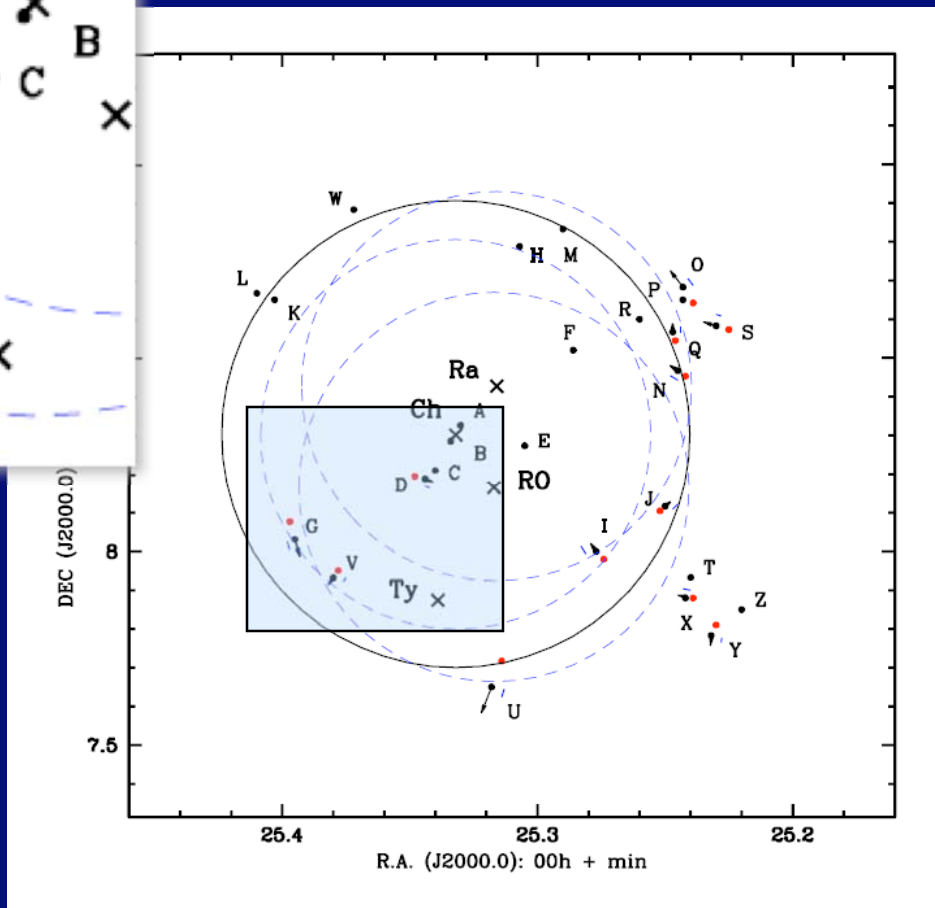
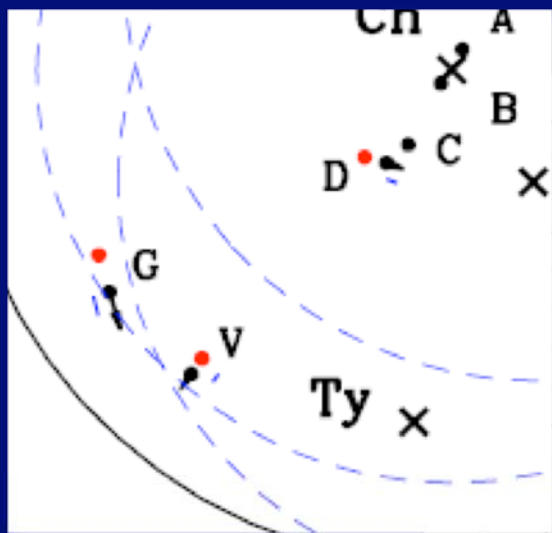
Ruiz-Lapuente 2004 Nature

$\text{Log}(g)=3.5\pm 0.5$
 $V(\text{VSR})=-95 \text{ km/s}$
Solar metallicity

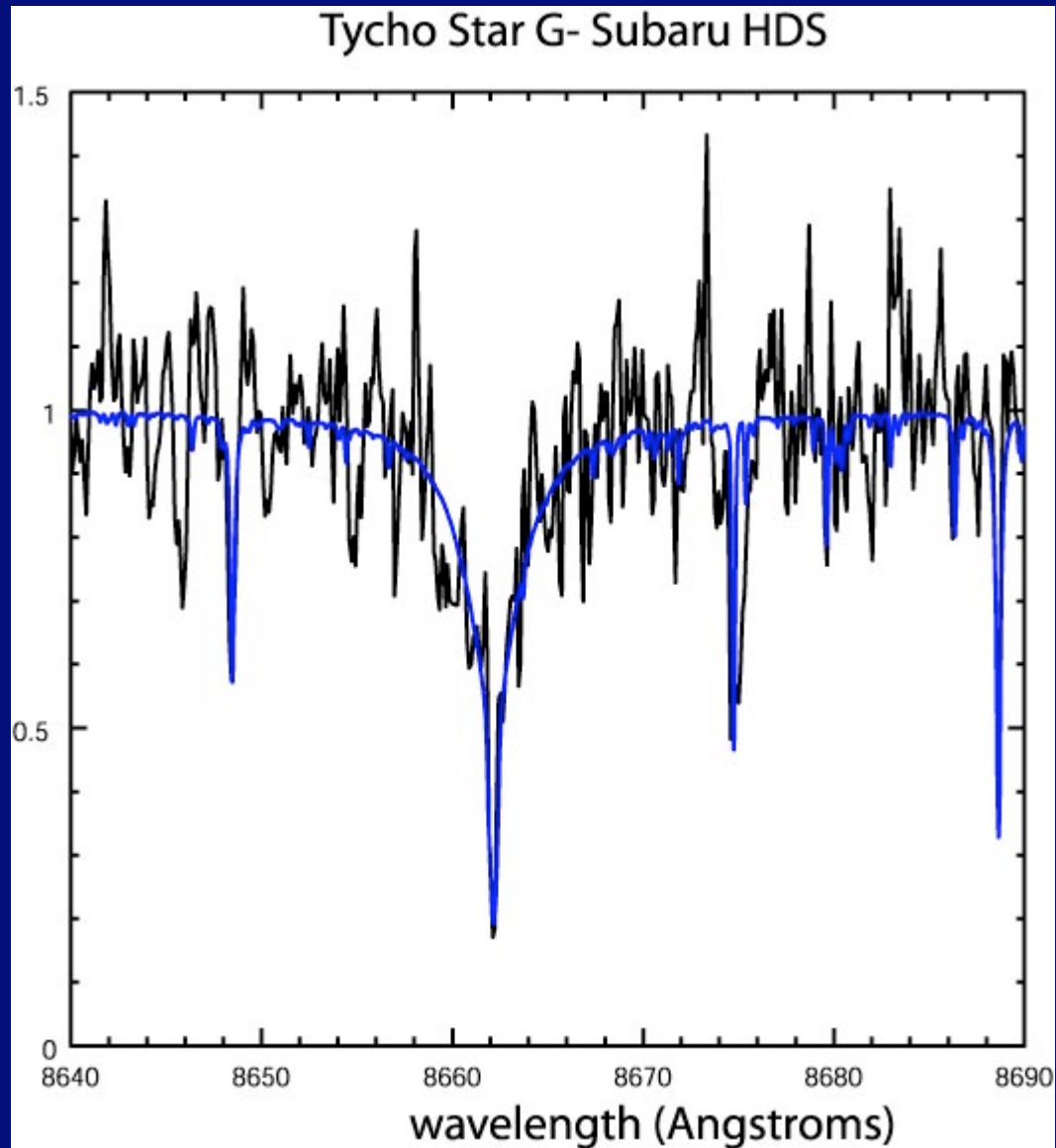


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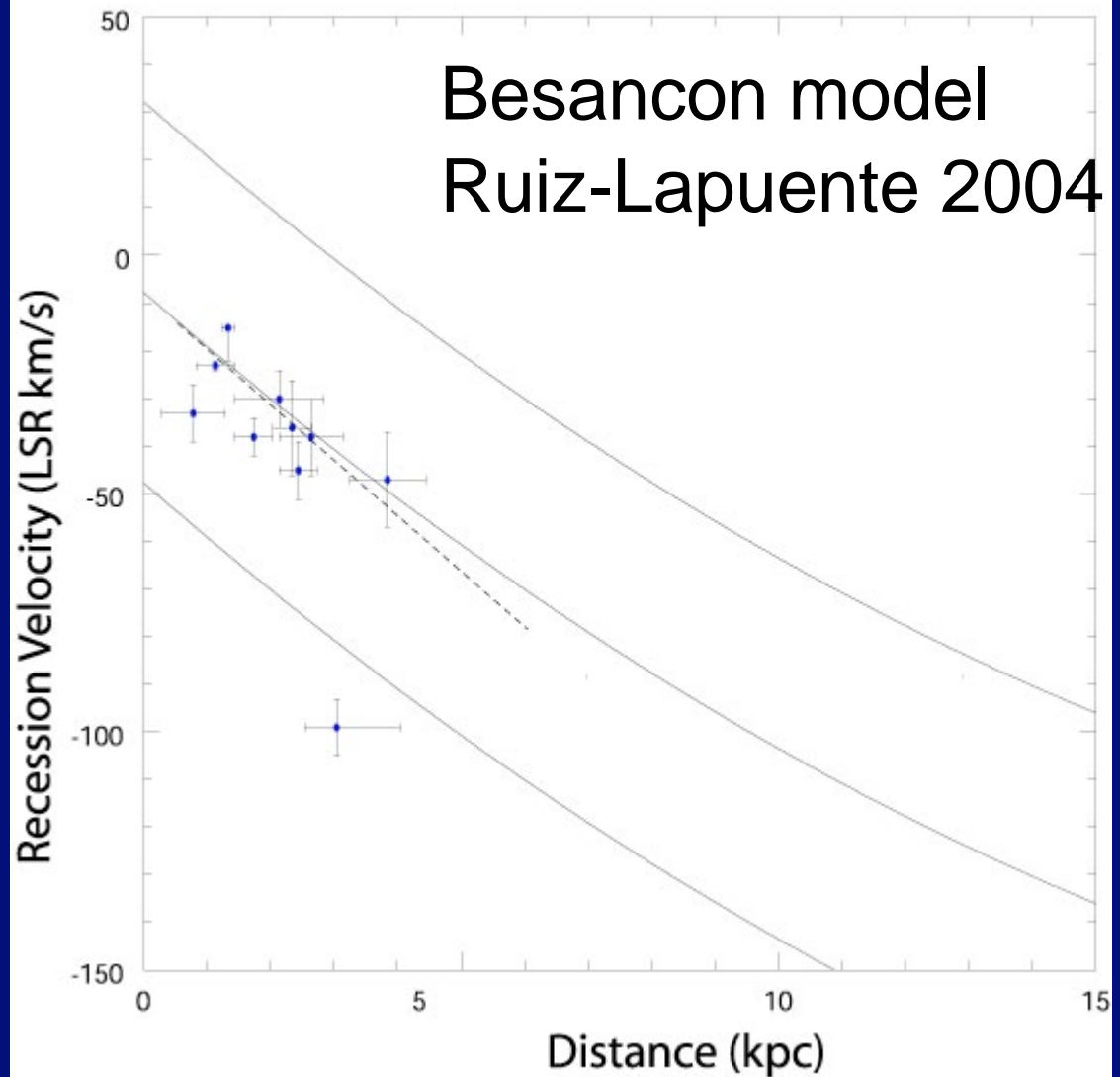


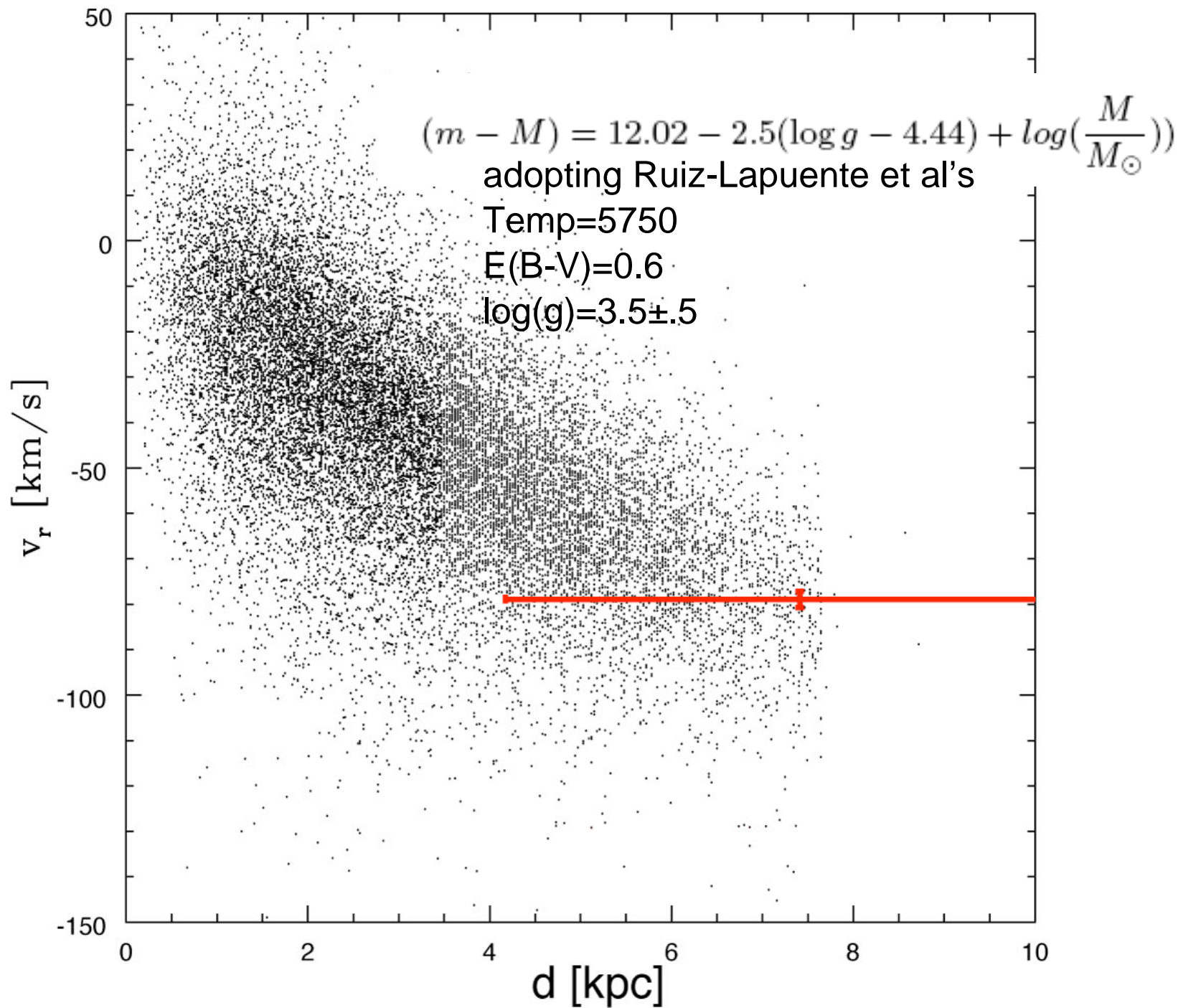
2-sigma proper motion... But not really where you
Want it to be in 1572...



Vel (LSR)=-79±2 km/s (-93km/s topocentric)
Fe/H=Solar

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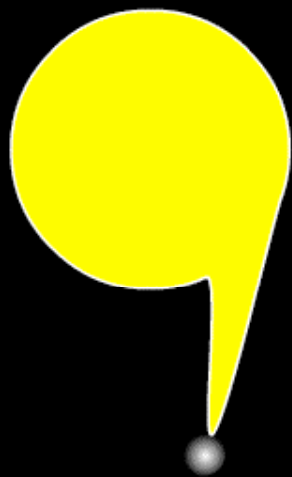


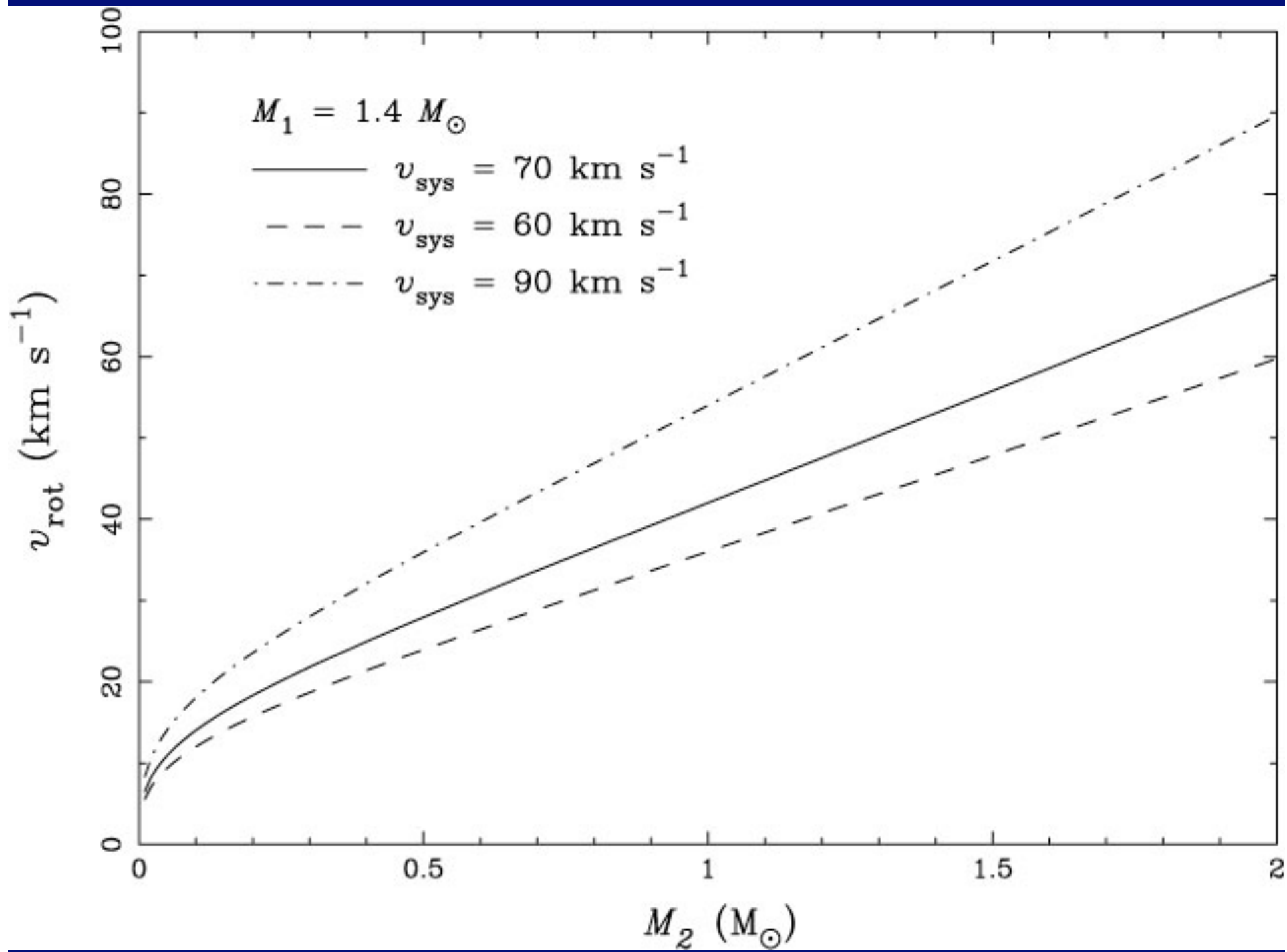


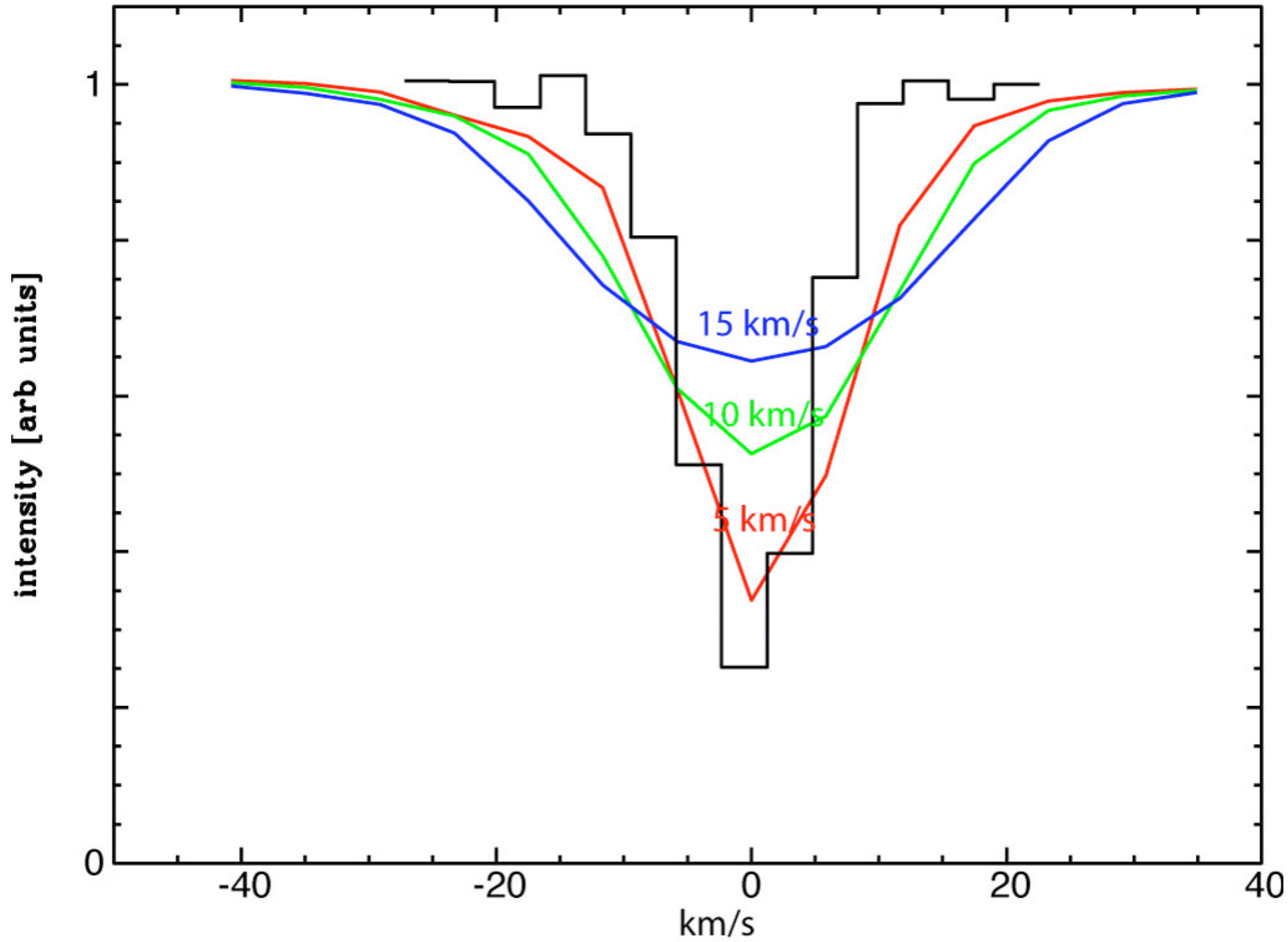
Rotation!

The heart of this model is accretion from a companion onto a White Dwarf.

Assuming this is roche lobe overflow (could possibly be a wind-if red giant), the donor star will be tidally locked to the rotation period of the system.





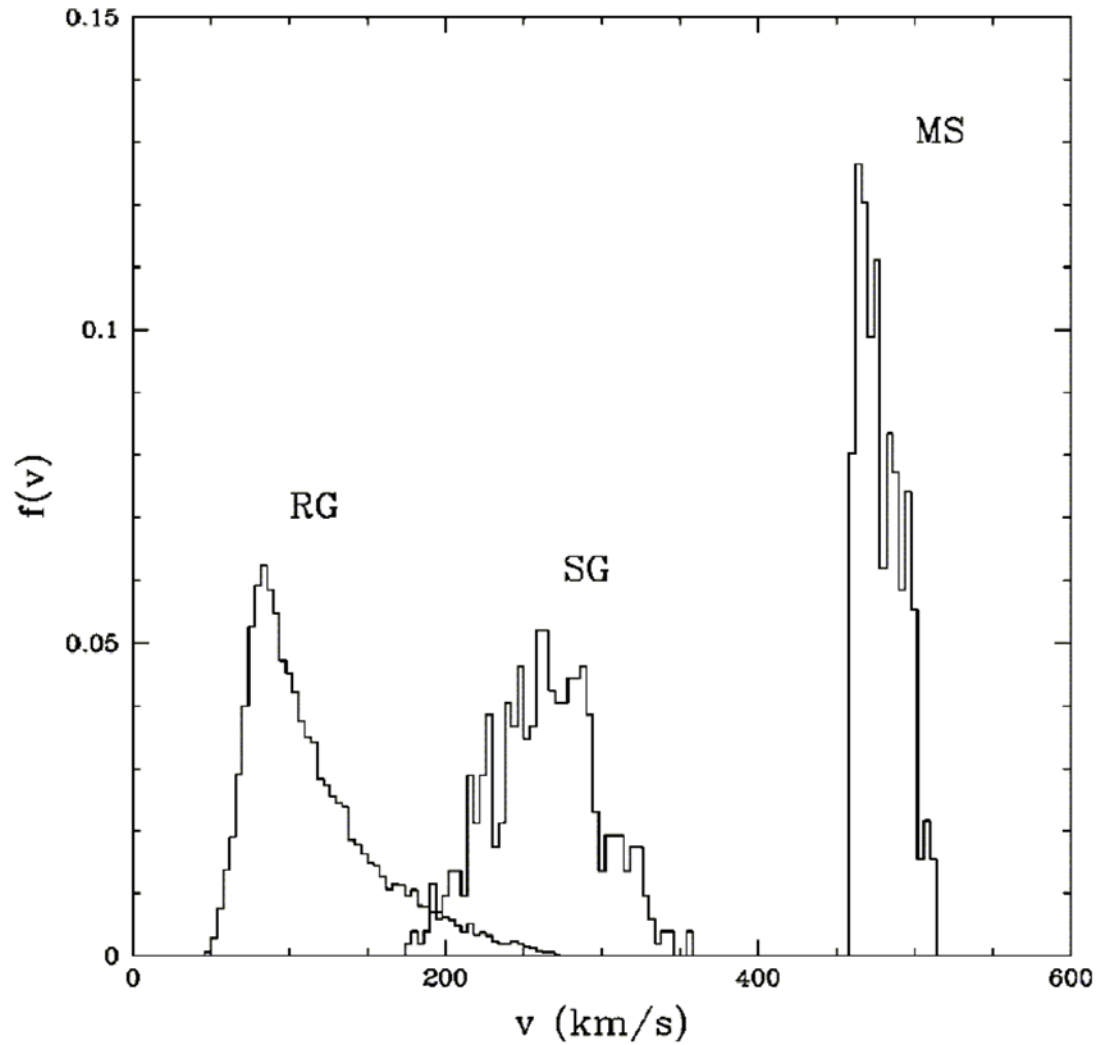


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Rotation is
a good way
to single
out
stars!



The Plan

- Tycho is the easiest SNR to tackle..Its compact size makes it relatively easy...
- High-res spectra of everything we can get. Data taken by Gal-Yam et al. in late 2006. Data to be analysed.

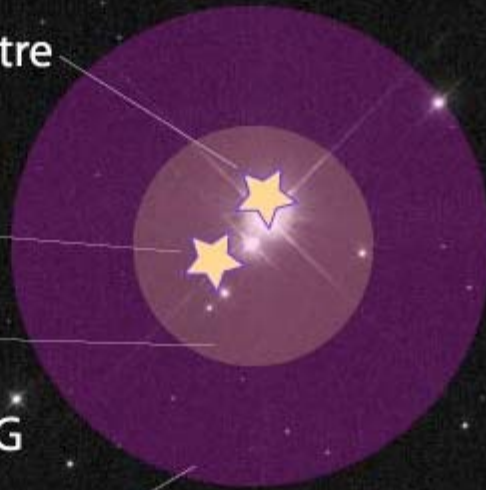
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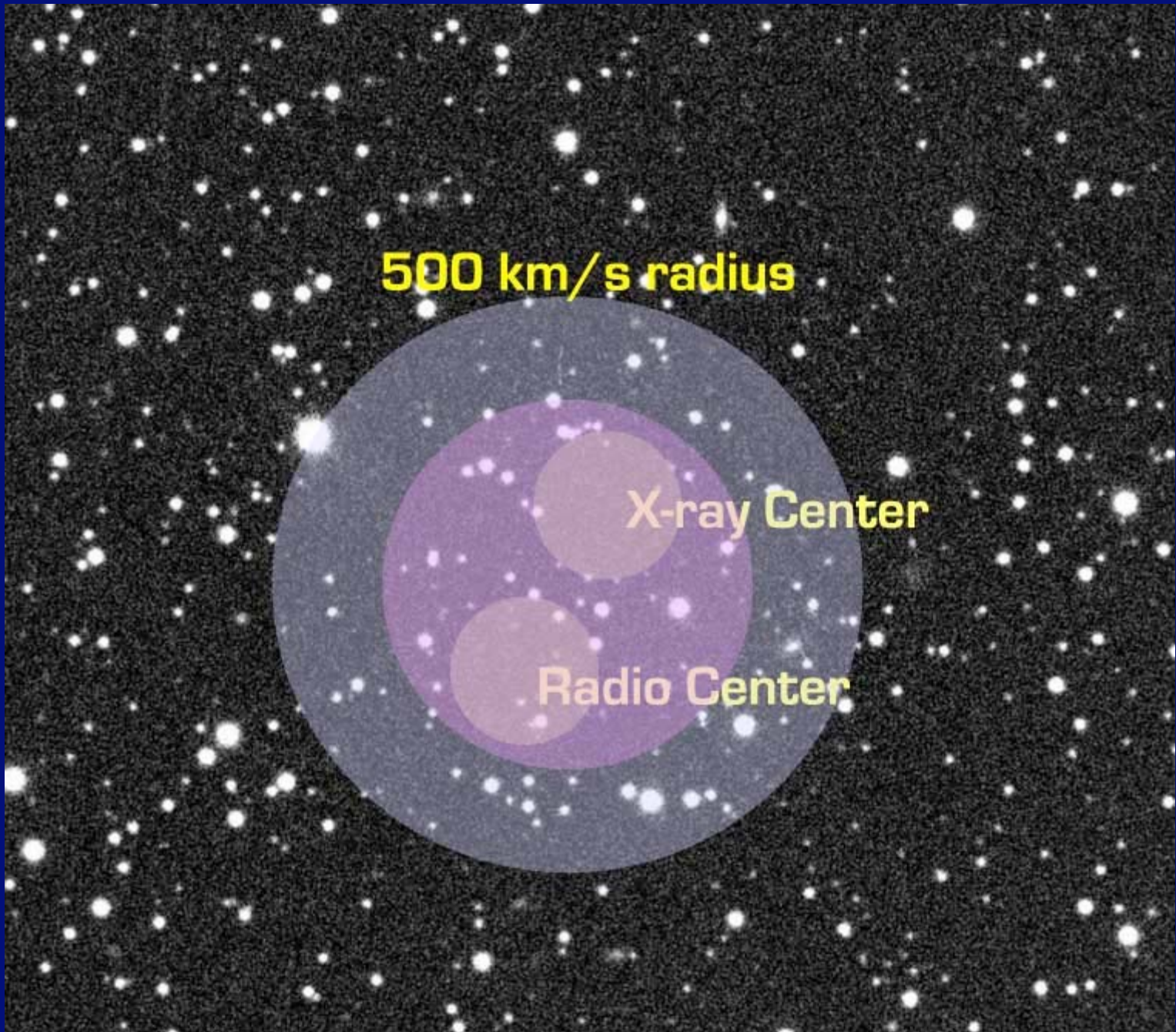




A few things to note

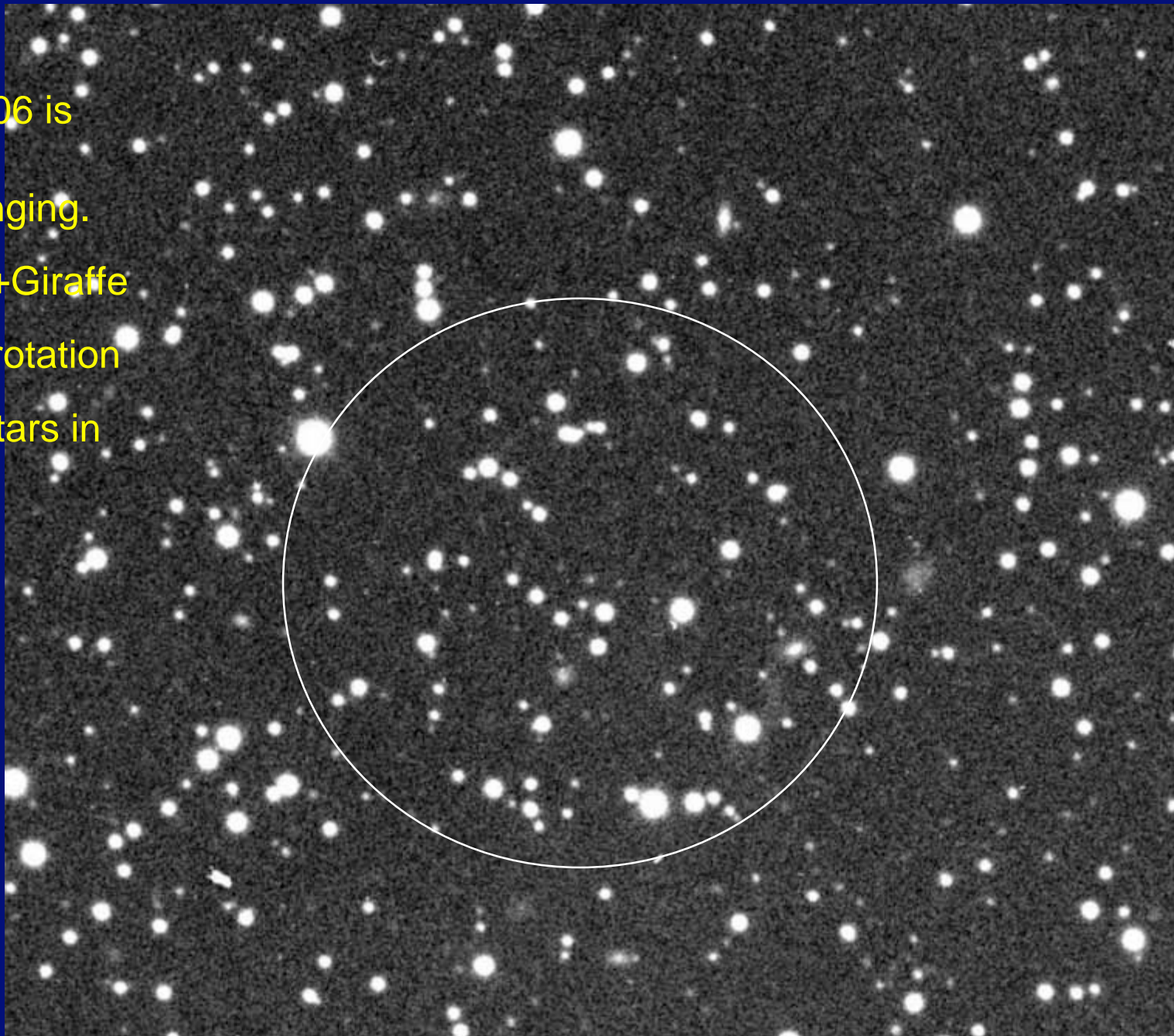
Things that move slowly and are hard to detect are the giants...

- Which we expect to have had a lot of the envelope removed
- But they should be very bright
- Things that are faint (He stars), should be moving very fast and stand out in deep multi-epoch imaging)
- Very cool (faint stars) should stand out in deep imaging (via colours)



SN 1006 is
more
challenging.

UVES+Giraffe
to get rotation
of all stars in
core.



Other Possibilities for systems if nothing found...

- Edge-lit has Helium WD secondary (but not seen in HST data)
- Double Degenerate has no secondary
- Long delay time between accretion and explosion

Conclusions

Lundqvist, KITP

- No circumstellar emission from a "normal" Type Ia SN has never been seen in any wavelength region. Best limits are obtained in the radio and indicate $<10^{-7} M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$.
- Optical evidence for episodic mass loss exist for at least two suspected Type Ia SNe (SN 2002ic and SN 2005gj). Radio and X-ray emission was not detected (due to absorption by the circumstellar shell). The shells could be asymmetric.
- Late emission from three normal Type Ia SNe indicate that at most $0.03 M_{\odot}$ of solar abundance material exists in the center of any of these supernovae. This is much less than in any of the models calculated by Marietta et al. (2000) and put constraints on single degenerate models.

Summary:

Friday's discussion.

Binary Population Synthesis results indicate that:

1. In a population with ages between ~ 200 million and 2 billion years, “Supersoft source” binaries (including the shrouded ones) can produce between 50 (Yungelson 2004) and 90 (Förster et al. 2006) per cent of WD growing to M_{chandra} .
2. At other epochs the Double Degenerate mergers appear to dominate the formation rate of degenerate objects with a mass $\geq M_{\text{chandra}}$.
3. Forster et al.(2006) conclude: it is too early to rule out any of the proposed Type Ia scenarios.

4=OK 8=BAD

My Score Card

8S=PROB BADS8 = MAYBE BAD

model	Physics explodes	Rate vs. Observed	Tycho 1006	Mass loss Hydrogen
SuperSoft MS or SG				
Supersoft Red Giant				
He dwarf				
Double WD				

What will it take to say Single Degenerate channel is wrong?

- eliminate Red Giants (done)
- eliminate stripped red giants (probably done)
- eliminate Helium stars (probably done)
- eliminate MS or SG stars by rotation and lack of motion (will be done).

Things to do!

1. Avishay to reduce data on Tycho
2. Someone with ESO connections to obtain rotation data on SN1006
3. Hydro Calculation with realistic supersoft system
4. Double Degenerate Merger Calculations made more sophisticated
5. Wait for Galactic SN Ia