#### SUPERNOVA SIMULATIONS



# WITH CHIMERA

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#### TEXTBOOK SUPERNOVA

of cool gas



star, blowing it apart

A Core-Collapse Supernova is the inevitable death knell of a massive star (~10+  $M_{\odot}$ ).

The explosion enriches the interstellar medium with elements from Oxygen to Nickel and potentially the r-process elements as well.



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Advantages compared to models of the 1990s include

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Run for postbounce times > 400 ms. Run on a 180 degree grid.



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Bruenn, Mezzacappa, Hix, ... (2013)







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## **PROGRESS REPORT**

Ongoing improved CHIMERA models confirm successful, mostly prolate, explosions across a range of progenitors from 12-25  $M_{\odot}$  driven by neutrino heating and SASI.

These self-consistent CHIMERA simulations, together with similar VERTEX simulations from Janka and collaborators, point to a successful neutrino-reheating mechanism, with the explosion delayed by 300 ms or more after bounce, at least in axisymmetry (2D).

Self-consistent 3D simulations, while very expensive, are possible. They are critical to teach us the value of our 2D simulations. Early indications are that 3D is somewhat more pessimistic than 2D, but this view may be colored by relatively low resolution in 3D.



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