Magnetar-powered Supernovae in Two Dimensions. II. Broad-line Supernovae Ic

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Abstract

Nascent neutron stars (NSs) with millisecond periods and magnetic fields in excess of $10^{15}$ Gauss can drive highly energetic and asymmetric explosions known as magnetar-powered supernovae. These exotic explosions are one theoretical interpretation for supernovae Ic-BL, which are sometimes associated with long gamma-ray bursts. Twisted magnetic field lines extract the rotational energy of the NS and release it as a disk wind or a jet with energies greater than $10^{52}$ erg over ~20 s. What fraction of the energy of the central engine go into the wind and the jet remain unclear. We have performed two-dimensional hydrodynamical simulations of magnetar-powered supernovae (SNe) driven by disk winds and jets with the CASTRO code to investigate the effect of the central engine on nucleosynthetic yields, mixing, and light curves. We find that these explosions synthesize less than 0.05 $M_\odot$ of $^{56}$Ni and that this mass is not very sensitive to central engine type. The morphology of the explosion can provide a powerful diagnostic of the properties of the central engine. In the absence of a circumstellar medium, these events are not very luminous, with peak bolometric magnitudes of $M_B \sim -16.5$ due to low $^{56}$Ni production.

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1. Introduction

Most stars from 30 to 80 $M_\odot$ eventually collapse to black holes (BHs) because the energy released by core collapse cannot drive a shock that is powerful enough to overcome the ram pressure of infall, so core bounce fails to produce an explosion (e.g., Ertl et al. 2016; Sukhbold et al. 2016). However, this picture can change with rapidly rotating stars, in which a neutron star (NS) with a period of a few milliseconds may be born. Rotation can amplify the magnetic field of the NS above $10^{15}$ G, creating a magnetar. The magnetar might spin down quickly by magnetic braking and release its rotational energy in the form of a radiatively-dominated disk wind (Duncan & Thompson 1992; Thompson & Duncan 1993). During a brief, early phase of braking, the radiation can be in the form of X-rays and soft gamma-rays (Kouveliotou et al. 1998; Gaensler et al. 2005; Woosley & Bloom 2006; Maeda et al. 2007; Mereghetti 2008; Esposito et al. 2009). In some cases, if magnetorotational instabilities arise, they can launch a collimated jet that pierces the outer layers of the star and produces a gamma-ray burst (GRB) (e.g., LeBlanc & Wilson 1970; Uzdensky & MacFadyen 2006; Burrows et al. 2007; Mösta et al. 2014).

If both a disk wind and jet are present, a highly asymmetric SN explosion may accompany the burst (e.g., Metzger et al. 2011; Soker 2016). Such events release energies of up to $10^{52}$ erg, 10 times those of conventional core-collapse (CC) SNe (Iwamoto et al. 1998; Paczyński 1998). These magnetar-powered SNe are likely observed as broad-line Type Ic SNe (SNe Ic-BL), which are often referred to as hypernovae, and they are among the most energetic explosions in the universe (Smidt et al. 2014). SNe Ic-BL have very broad absorption lines of oxygen and iron but lack helium and hydrogen in their spectra. Their light curves (LCs) peak at an absolute magnitude of $\approx -18$ to $-20$ mag and the shape of LC is different from that of SNe Ic, which shows a broad peak and a slow tail (Iwamoto et al. 2000). The ejecta of SNe Ic-BL expand at velocities of about $30,000 \text{ km s}^{-1}$, which is much faster than that of normal SNe (Vink et al. 2015). About 0.05–0.3 $M_\odot$ $^{56}$Ni is estimated to form in SNe Ic-BL (Cano 2013; Prentice et al. 2016). Since their explosion engines are closely tied to their central remnants, SNe Ic-BL are promising candidates for studying the physics of compact objects because they may account for the SNe associated with some GRBs (Kulkarni et al. 1998; Patat et al. 2001; Chornock et al. 2010). Less extreme ($10^{45}$–$10^{47}$ G, 5–10 ms) magnetars may explain superluminous SNe (SLSNe Woosley 2010; Kasen & Bildsten 2010; Chen et al. 2016), because a substantial fraction of the total rotational energy of the NS is emitted as light at late times. Chen et al. (2016) used 2D simulations to study the magnetar-powered SNe by magnetars of a constant magnetic field strength of $4 \times 10^{14}$ G, with initial rotational periods of 1 and 5 ms. They found that fluid instabilities cause a strong mixing and fracture shells of ejecta into filamentary structures. The observational signatures of the resulting supernova could be very different from those predicted by the 1D models.

Predicting the observational signatures of magnetar-powered SNe is a key to properly identifying them as more are discovered by the new SN factories such as the Palomar Transient Factory (PTF; Law et al. 2009), the Panoramic Survey Telescope and Rapid Response System (Pan-STARRS; Kaiser et al. 2002), and the Large Synoptic Survey Telescope (LSST; Ivezić et al. 2008). Multidimensional simulations that bridge a large range of spatial scales are needed to model the LCs of magnetar-powered SNe because of their inherent asymmetry. Previous studies have mainly focused on just the physics of the central engines of these explosions (e.g., Burrows et al. 2007) but larger-scale simulations of mixing in jet-powered SNe (Couch et al. 2011; Papish & Soker 2014a, 2014b) and neutrino-wind driven SNe...
We consider a stripped CO core because the SNe Ic-BL observed to date are likely the explosions of massive stars that have shed their helium envelopes (Iwamoto et al. 1998; Nakamura et al. 2001). Such SNe must either be born with rapid rotation rates (Yoon et al. 2006) or be spun up at late times in a common envelope phase with another star (tidal locking; Fryer et al. 1999; Izzard et al. 2004) or compact object (Zhang & Fryer 2001). Either case usually results in the expulsion of the hydrogen and helium envelopes in some type of outburst (a luminous blue variable star, or LBV; Baraffe et al. 2001) or the ejection of a dense shell just before the death of the star. However, a large mass ejected from a massive star may reduce its angular momentum and prevent it from forming a rapidly rotating core, which is required for magnetar formation. An alternative path is quasi-chemically homogeneous evolution, which results in a large CO core that retains its angular momentum because there is no massive ejection. Tidal locking in the case of close binaries could then provide additional angular momentum to create a rapidly rotating core.

Our model was evolved for 14,100 years to form a 1.51 $M_\odot$ iron core with a radius of 1570 km. The 1D stellar evolution model was halted when any region of the star began to collapse faster than 1000 km s$^{-1}$. At this point, it was mapped into a 2D grid in CASTRO. The composition and velocity profiles of the pre-SN core are shown in Figure 1.

### 2. Numerical Setup

We take as our initial conditions the collapsing carbon–oxygen core of a massive star that has been evolved from central carbon ignition to the onset of core collapse. At this stage, profiles for the star are mapped into the CASTRO code and exploded with a variety of central engines. Blast profiles from CASTRO are then evolved with the radiation hydrodynamics code STELLA to obtain LCs for these events.

#### 2.1. KEPLER Progenitor Model

The progenitor star in all of our models is a non-rotating 10 $M_\odot$ carbon–oxygen core with initial $^{12}$C and $^{16}$O mass fractions of 0.172 and 0.828, respectively. This progenitor, taken from another simulation campaign (Sukhbold & Woosley 2014), roughly corresponds to the CO core of a non-rotating, solar-metallicity 35 $M_\odot$ star prior to the loss of its H and He envelope. It is evolved from central carbon ignition until the beginning of collapse with the 1D stellar evolution code KEPLER (Weaver et al. 1978). The actual mass of the zero-age main-sequence star can vary depending on mass loss, rotation, magnetic field, and other physical parameters since more than one combination of progenitor mass and physical parameters can lead to the same CO core mass.
respectively. We use a monopole approximation for self-gravity, in which the gravitational potential is constructed from the radial average of the density and used to calculate gravity forces everywhere in the AMR hierarchy by linear interpolation. This approximation is efficient and valid because the star is nearly spherically symmetric. Point-source gravity due to the compact remnant is also included in our models.

We estimate the explosion energy and its timescale as follows. The radius of the NS is assumed to be \( R_\odot \approx 10^6 \) cm and the moment of inertia for a typical NS is \( I \approx 10^{45} \) g cm\(^2\) so its initial rotational energy is

\[
E = \frac{1}{2} I \omega^2 \approx 2 \times 10^{52} P_{\text{ms}}^{-2} \text{ erg},
\]

(1)

where \( P_{\text{ms}} \) is the period of the magnetar in milliseconds. This energy can be released through dipole radiation,

\[
\frac{dE}{dt} = \frac{32\pi^4}{3c^3} (BR_\odot^3 \sin \alpha)^2 P^{-4}
\approx 10^{49} B_{15}^2 P_{\text{ms}}^{-4} \text{ erg s}^{-1},
\]

(2)

where \( B_{15} = B/10^{15} \) G and assume \( \sin \alpha = 1 \) for simplicity. The spin-down timescale can be approximated as

\[
\tau_d \approx E/\left(\frac{dE}{dt}\right) \approx 2000B_{15}^2 P_{\text{ms}}^2 \text{ s}.
\]

(3)

If a magnetar forms with a rotation period of 1 ms and magnetic field stress of \( 10^{16} \) G a total energy of \(~2 \times 10^{52} \) erg can be deposited into the surrounding core in 20 s in the form of a very energetic disk wind or a collimated jet after the formation of the NS. Since the specifics of the central engine are not known, we consider four cases by varying the fraction of the energy that goes into the wind (isotropic) or the jet (anisotropic).

Both observational evidence (Gaensler & Slane 2006; Younes et al. 2016) and theoretical studies (Proga et al. 1998; Proga 2000) of the disk wind from the accretion disk suggest that such wind can be highly inhomogeneous and anisotropic. Because our simulation cannot resolve the central disk, it does not include MHD. Therefore, the mixing from our spherical disk wind model can be the lower limit of actual mixing.

Engine A is a purely jet-driven explosion, with all the energy going into a jet with a half-opening angle of \( \phi = 2.5^\circ \). This model is a practical example that was mentioned in Gilkis et al. (2016) before. Engine B is a wind driven explosion in which all the energy of the explosion is deposited isotropically into the surrounding core. Engine C is both a jet and a wind in which 90% of the energy is isotropic and 10% goes into a jet with \( 2.5^\circ \). Engine D is the same as Engine C but with \( \phi = 10^\circ \). Engines A and B are the two extreme cases, while Engine C is motivated by the conventional GRB SN and Engine D represents the case of a wobbling jet. The precession is caused by kink instabilities, which may often occur in core-collapse jets (Bromberg & Tchekhovskoy 2016). Such instabilities disperse the energy in a larger opening angle, so the jet may die before reaching the stellar surface without producing a GRB. Gilkis (2016) also suggested that a wide jet can form if there are non-axisymmetric patterns in the core collapse. We summarize the four engines in Table 1. These models are associated with the jet-feedback mechanism (JFM) of CC SNe (Papish & Soker 2011; López-Cámara et al. 2013). In the JFM scenario, the jets launched from the central compact object must be fast and narrow, they would deposit their energy inside the star through shock waves, then forming two hot bubbles to push out falling gas. Therefore, the jet becomes slow, massive, and wide. If the jet feedback is effective, accretion would halt early on and result in regular supernova explosions. Otherwise, the accretion lasts longer and it supplies more energy to the jet and eventually creates more energetic explosions (Soker 2016).

We assume that the wind and jet deposit their energy uniformly in a region 2000–5000 km from the center of the star. In the wind, all of the energy is deposited as internal energy of the gas. In the jet, 50% of the energy goes into internal energy and the rest goes into kinetic energy by injecting a highly relativistic momentum flux with a speed of \( 1.5 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm s}^{-1} \) along the polar axis. In some cases, the jet can blow out so much gas that extremely low densities result, which can cause numerical difficulties in the runs. To prevent blowout from creating a complete vacuum in the energy injection region, we added a total mass of \( \times 10^{-5} M_\odot \) to these zones, which is completely negligible in comparison to the mass of the star.

Gas falling into the central 2000 km of the grid is assumed to accrete onto the NS or BH. Three hundred and sixty four grids at the deepest level of refinement resolve the injection region during the simulation. In each case, the shock is evolved until it reaches the outer grid boundary at \(~20 r_s\), when the ejecta are expanding homologously. Due to the large number of levels of refinement, the four models took about 800,000 CPU hours on Hopper at the National Energy Research Scientific Computing Center (NERSC).

### 2.3. STELLA

We calculate LCs for our explosions with the 1D multi-group radiation hydrodynamics code STELLA (Blinnikov & Bartunov 1993; Blinnikov et al. 2006; Blinnikov & Tolstov 2011). STELLA can calculate spectral energy distributions (SEDs) for the blast profiles at each time step. Multicolor LCs can be obtained by convolving filter functions with the SEDs. All of our SN LCs are calculated with 100 frequency bins from 1 to \( 5 \times 10^4 \) Å on...
3. Magnetar-powered Explosions

The central engine injects $10^{51}$ erg s$^{-1}$ into a shell of $r = 2000–5000$ km for 20 s, heating the gas and producing a strong shock that reverses the collapse. The energy is evenly distributed through the shell, and in models B–D the heated gas reverses infall in the shell in under a second. Most of the $^{56}$Ni forms in the first 0.5 s of collapse, when the gas is heated to $4.3 \times 10^9$ K and compressed to $\rho > 10^9$ g cm$^{-3}$ by energy from the magnetar below and by infall from above. In models B–D, most of the $^{56}$Ni is formed by compression heating and later expelled by the magnetar wind. 0.026–0.04 $M_\odot$ of $^{56}$Ni are ejected by the explosion, which drives a strong shock from the core at $(1–4) \times 10^9$ cm s$^{-1}$. Energy from the magnetar primarily governs the dynamics of the explosion, not energy from nuclear burning.

$^{56}$Ni masses are listed in Table 1 for all four models. The isotropic models create more $^{56}$Ni than the jet model, in which material is burned in a much smaller solid angle. Nevertheless, the jet produces more $^{56}$Ni than its small solid angle alone might suggest because it dredges material up from greater depths that would otherwise have fallen onto the compact remnant. Models B–D produce about the same $^{56}$Ni mass, 0.037 $M_\odot$, which is significantly less than would be expected for a CC SN for reasons we discuss in greater detail below.

3.1. Ni Production

Distributing the energy of the magnetar evenly from radii of 2000–5000 km is reasonable but ad hoc. To determine how sensitive $^{56}$Ni production is to the thickness of the injection site we repeated models A–D at higher resolution on much smaller meshes. The grid was reduced to $10^{10}$ cm along both axes, with 512$^3$ zones and no AMR. We considered three injection regions: 2000–3000 km, 2000–4000 km, and 2000–5000 km. Although energy from the magnetar is deposited for 20 s, densities at the injection site fall very quickly so no $^{56}$Ni will be made after 0.5 s after the explosion. We therefore only evolve the SN for the first 5 s in these models. The outcomes of all 12 runs are summarized in Table 2.

$^{56}$Ni masses are sensitive to the structure of the progenitor for two reasons. First, the structure determines how much mass is burned to $^{56}$Ni by the magnetar wind and by compression heating from collapse. It also determines how much of this $^{56}$Ni then falls back onto the compact remnant. We show the structure of the presupernova core in Figure 2. Gas below $r \sim 1.5 \times 10^8$ cm (the radius of the iron core) will collapse directly to a proto-NS. Most of the $^{56}$Ni forms at radii of $1.57–2.38 \times 10^8$ cm, where densities and temperatures are driven to $(5.7–25) \times 10^6$ g cm$^{-3}$ and $(3.07–4.64) \times 10^9$ K by the wind and by collapse. If the magnetar forms promptly, the gas in this shell would be burned to 0.21 $M_\odot$ of $^{56}$Ni, about what would be expected from a CC SN.

However, in most scenarios, the magnetar does not turn on immediately after proto-NS formation. If the delay is just 0.2 s, $^{56}$Ni below $r \sim 1.85 \times 10^8$ cm would fall back onto the NS and only 0.05–0.12 $M_\odot$ would be ejected. If the delay is 0.5 s, $^{56}$Ni at $r \leq 2.0 \times 10^8$ cm will fall back and even less $^{56}$Ni will be ejected, 0.01–0.07 $M_\odot$. Our choice of energy deposition at $r \geq 2 \times 10^8$ cm implies a 0.5 s delay in the explosion, which is why, on average, only 0.037 $M_\odot$ of $^{56}$Ni is produced in models B–D.
The reason why $^{56}\text{Ni}$ production is not sensitive to the thickness of the injection region is that no $^{56}\text{Ni}$ is formed at $r > 2300 \text{ km}$ in our models. We again find that the jet in model A dredges up more $^{56}\text{Ni}$ from lower radii than it forms on its own. The energy was injected in a half-opening angle of only 2.5°. If all the mass within this solid angle was burned to $^{56}\text{Ni}$ in the $\approx 10^{10} - 3 \times 10^{10} \text{ cm}$ tests, it would only make $\sim 1.65 \times 10^{3} \frac{\text{M}_\odot}{\text{E}}$, not the 0.015–0.016 $\frac{\text{M}_\odot}{\text{E}}$ it actually dredges up.

The extra material dredged up by the jet in model A is due to lateral pressure forces that drive gas sideways out of the jet when energy is suddenly injected into its solid angle. The gas that is driven sideways also experiences shear forces upward from gas deeper within the solid angle that is mostly expanding outward along the axis of the jet, and the combination of the two motions is what brings up the extra material. In the Model A runs, the simulation with magnetar energy injection at $r = 2000\text{–}3000/4000 \text{ km}$ produces 0.024 $\frac{\text{M}_\odot}{\text{E}}$, nearly twice that of the other two sites, because the lateral pressure forces are much stronger when the injected energy is concentrated in the thinner shell, and they drive more vigorous sideways mixing.

Our choice of injection site is consistent with simple analytic estimates of the radius out to which material can be burned to $^{56}\text{Ni}$ in the core. The hydrodynamic time of the core is

$$t_{\text{dyn}} = \frac{446}{\sqrt{\rho_c}} \text{s},$$

where $\rho_c$ is its mean density. If we take $\rho_c = 10^6 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$, then $t_{\text{dyn}} \sim 0.5 \text{ s}$, which is when most explosive burning and $^{56}\text{Ni}$ production would happen. Over this time, the magnetar injects $0.5 \times 10^{51} \text{ erg}$ into the outer layers of the core, and most of this energy goes into explosive burning. Except at small radii near the origin of the shock, the peak temperature at radius $r$ can be obtained by setting $(4/3)r^4aT_s^4 \sim E_{\text{exp}}$, where $T_s$ is the shock temperature and $a$ is the radiation density constant. This equation assumes that the heat capacity of the material behind the shock is dominated by the radiation field and that expansion and pressure waves behind the shock are capable of maintaining nearly isothermal conditions there. The shock temperature at radius $r$ can then be expressed as (Woosley et al. 2002)

$$T_s(r) = 1.33 \times 10^{10} \left( \frac{E_{\text{exp}}}{10^{51} \text{ erg}} \right)^{1/4} \left( \frac{r}{10^8 \text{ cm}} \right)^{-3/4} \text{ K.}$$

In our simulation, $E_{\text{exp}} = 0.5 \times 10^{51}$, so a spherical volume with $r = 2.91 \times 10^8 \text{ cm}$ will reach $T_s \sim 4.5 \times 10^9 \text{ K}$ for $^{56}\text{Ni}$ synthesis, which is consistent with our CASTRO models.

3.2. Accretion and Breakout

The jet in model A gradually broadens as it propagates through the star at $\sim 15\%$ of the speed of light, breaking through its surface at 19 s. The shock driven by the wind in...
model D breaks out at 73 s and the shock driven by both a wind and jet breaks out of the star at 38 and 57 s in models C and D. In model A, a small fraction of the 0.016 $M_\odot$ of the $^{56}$Ni ejected by the jet is present in the bow shock. Since the jet propagates mostly along the axis of the star, accretion continues inward along the equatorial plane. We show accretion rates and blowout for model A in Figures 3 and 4. We calculate the mass accretion by assuming the mass flux across a surface at a radius of $r = 2 \times 10^9$ cm. However, this accretion is subject to fluid instabilities. At $t = 50$ s, two data points are missing because accretion flux becomes an outflow due to the strong fluid instabilities before the accretion shuts down. Accretion persists for 52 s in model A until it is completely shut down by the cocoon of hot gas from the jet. The rate varies from 0.01–0.3 $M_\odot$ s$^{-1}$ and the total accreted mass is 3.03 $M_\odot$, enough to collapse the NS to a 4.54 $M_\odot$ BH. From Figure 3, we estimate that the BH forms about 10 s after accretion starts when the mass of the central compact object exceeds 2 $M_\odot$. Energy injection by the jet may become less efficient after the BH forms, but exactly how the NS collapses to a BH is beyond the scope of our study. While we just assume that the mass that falls back onto the NS turns it into a BH, angular momentum transport can delay BH formation and radiation from the BH may then reduce accretion. In Figure 4, the core of the star has been completely blown out along the axis of the jet but remains intact along the equatorial plane, and likely falls back onto the BH at later times.

3.3. Mixing

Although all four models have the same injected energy, the geometry of injection leads to a range of mixing during the explosion. We show the four SNe at shock breakout in Figure 5. In model A, the jet produces a strong collimated outflow in the polar direction. The flow exhibits knots and kinks due to jet instabilities and some shear instabilities, but the latter do not grow to sufficient amplitudes to produce much mixing before breakout. Some heavy elements deep in the star are dredged up by the jet. Model B exhibits much more mixing, on par with what would be expected for a CC SN. The collision between the wind and the collapsing outer layers of the star

**Figure 5.** Panels (a)–(d) are density images of models A–D at shock breakout at time = 19, 73, 38, and 57 s. Different explosion engines already produce distinctive mixing at early times.
drives the dynamical instabilities. The formation of a reverse shock also drives Rayleigh–Taylor (RT) instabilities and contributes to mixing significantly. In models C and D, twisting in the jet and the disk wind leads to both shear and RT instabilities, as seen in the elongated structures in the ejecta. There are traces of $^{56}$Ni in the jet, so gamma-ray emission from $^{56}$Ni is possible at early phases of the explosion. In all four cases, the star becomes unbound by 80 s after the explosion, but mixing continues after breakout.

The CSM around massive stars is usually diffuse because their strong winds and large ionizing UV fluxes drive away gas in their vicinity. The shock therefore accelerates rapidly when it breaks out of the star. The dramatic drop in density between the surface of the star and the CSM sometimes crashed the hydro solver in our simulations (a problem that has been reported by others; see, e.g., Whalen et al. 2013a, 2013b). To prevent numerical difficulties, we take the CSM to fall off from the surface of the star as $\rho \propto r^{-3.1}$. This diffuse envelope also prevents the formation of reverse shocks in the ejecta that can cause additional mixing after breakout so we can study just the mixing that is intrinsic to the explosion itself. In model A, the velocity of the jet at breakout is $\sim 7 \times 10^9$ cm s$^{-1}$, or $\sim 25\%$ of the speed of light, so it is mildly relativistic. The breakout velocity is sensitive to the CSM density so if it falls off dramatically the shock can accelerate to nearly the speed of light and produce a GRB, though this does not happen in our models.

We run our simulations until the shock or jet reaches $\sim 20 r_*$ and mixing ceases. At this stage, the ejecta are expanding homologously and their energy is almost entirely kinetic (their internal energy is $\sim 10\%$ of the total energy). We show snapshots of the ejecta for all four models at this stage in Figure 6. The jet continues to broaden well after breakout. The original opening angle of 5° has grown to 46° as it partially thermalizes with gas in its path, forming a shock that is perpendicular to the jet. Models B and D have similar morphologies. Jets with large opening angles soon become hard to distinguish from explosions driven just by disk winds because the energy of the jet is rapidly spread throughout the ejecta.

Figure 6. Panels (a)–(d) are density images of models A–D at the end of the simulations, when the shock has reached a radius of about 15 times the radius of the star at time = 293, 414, 354, and 458 s. At this stage, the explosion has successfully unbind the entire star and mixing is getting frozen.
We summarize mixing in all four models in Figure 7. The metals mostly trace the outline of the jet in model A, though there is clearly some mixing. A ring pattern created by the cocoon of the jet is also visible. There is very little mixing along the equatorial plane of the star. There is much more mixing in models B–D. The shells of elements that build up inside the star over its life are completely disrupted by the shock. Models B and D, which are somewhat difficult to distinguish in density, are more easily differentiated by isotope distribution, which can provide a diagnostic of central engine type, which can be examined in SN spectra.

4. Light Curves

To calculate LCs for these explosions, we average the flow variables at each radius over a sample of 10 angles on the grid. We then map these angle-averaged radial profiles onto 1D spherical grids in the STELLA code. The blast profiles are taken at the onset of homologous expansion. We only calculate LCs for models B–D because the jet in model A is highly directional and relativistic so a different technique would be required to compute its LC. We evolve all three explosions out to 60 days.

Bolometric LCs for the three models are shown in Figure 8. A very luminous breakout transient that lasts for about an hour appears first and then dims as the fireball expands and cools. The light curves then rebrighten as photons from $^{56}$Ni decay begin to diffuse out of the ejecta, reaching a peak of $M_b \approx -16.5$ about 15–20 days after the explosion. $^{56}$Co decay follows, and the light curves gradually fade on timescales comparable to its half-life of 77 days.

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$$t_{\text{diff}} \sim 14 \kappa M_{ej}^{-1/2} E_{-1}^{-1/2} \text{ days}$$

and $\kappa$ is the opacity of the ejecta in units of the Thompson scattering opacity of free electrons in hydrogen-free gas ($0.2 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ g}^{-1}$), $M_{ej}$ is the mass of the ejecta through which
photons must diffuse to reach the surface in units of solar mass, and \( E \) is the energy of the explosion in units of \( 10^{51} \) erg. Taking \( \kappa = 1, M_{ej} = 4 \) because of the partial dredging up of \( ^{56}\text{Ni} \), and \( E = 20 \), we find that \( t_{\text{diff}} \sim 18 \) days, which corresponds to the time at which \( ^{56}\text{Ni} \) rebrightening peaks in all three magnetar-powered SNe. \( ^{56}\text{Co} \) decay follows, and the LCs gradually fade on timescales comparable to its half-life, \( \sim 77 \) days.

Because less than 0.05 \( M_\odot \) of \( ^{56}\text{Ni} \) is made, bolometric luminosities peak at \( M_b \approx -16.5 \), which is not much brighter than normal CC SNe. Mixing may dredge \( ^{56}\text{Ni} \) up to nearly the surface of the ejecta in some models. We show \( ^{56}\text{Ni} \) mass fractions and velocities at the end of all four runs in Figure 9. Except in model B, which is driven by only a wind, a clump of \( ^{56}\text{Ni} \) has broken through the ejecta along the axis of the jet. The \( ^{56}\text{Ni} \) rich ejecta have velocities of \( (1-3) \times 10^9 \) cm s\(^{-1} \) that are large enough to Doppler shift their spectra. Note the roughly evenly spaced velocity contours, which indicate homologous expansion of the ejecta.

Model A could produce a GRB without a luminous SN component. If the jet is sustained by the accretion of gas falling in from the equator, it could drive a GRB from 20 s to 100 s. This model could explain GRB 060614 (Della Valle et al. 2006; Gal-Yam et al. 2006), which synthesized very little \( ^{56}\text{Ni} \), \( 5 \times 10^{-4} M_\odot \), lasted \( \sim 100 \) s, and did not produce an optically luminous SN (\( M_r > -12.3 $\) mag).

### 5. Summary and Conclusions

We have performed 2D simulations of magnetar-powered SNe with the CASTRO AMR code. These transients are presumed to be observed as SNe Ic-BL. We examine central engines in the form of disk winds, jets, and combinations thereof by varying the morphology of energy injection in the core of the star. These engines lead to a variety of mixing in the explosion before and after shock breakout. We find that infall from the equatorial plane can create a BH if there is a collimated jet; otherwise, an NS forms.

Although magnetar-powered SNe can be 10 times more energetic than normal CC SNe, as is observed with SNe Ic-BL, they do not necessarily make superluminous transients. Light curves for our SNe Ic-BL manifest a sharp, very luminous transient due to shock breakout followed by dimming and then mild \( ^{56}\text{Ni} \) rebrightening at 10–20 days. Our SNe Ic-BL are not very luminous because they only make 0.02–0.05 \( M_\odot \) of \( ^{56}\text{Ni} \), which is consistent with models by Nishimura et al. (2015) and Suwa & Tominaga (2015). The \( ^{56}\text{Ni} \) production is small because most of it is made by compression heating during the
core collapse instead of energy injection from the magnetar, and much of it falls onto the nascent NS before it can be expelled by the magnetar wind. Unless energy is deposited at a very high rate, the magnetar is unlikely to produce enough $^{56}$Ni to rebrighten its LC. Suwa & Tominaga (2015) suggests that magnetars with magnetic fields $>2 \times 10^{16}$ G and rotation periods $<1$ ms (energy deposition rates $>4 \times 10^{51}$ erg s$^{-1}$) can produce $>0.2$ $M_\odot$ $^{56}$Ni.

However, extreme magnetars such as these may release a significant fraction of their rotational energy as gravitational waves rather than dipole radiation, so their $^{56}$Ni yields may still be low. However, these events could become much brighter if their ejecta crash into a dense CSM (e.g., Moriya et al. 2013; Whalen et al. 2013c). Furthermore, if a successful CC explosion is followed by the formation of a magnetar with magnetic fields of $10^{14}$–$10^{15}$ G and rotation periods $\sim$5 ms, it may become very bright at later times (Kasen & Bildsten 2010; Woosley 2010; Chen et al. 2016). $^{56}$Ni blown out by jets at high velocities might also emit observable gamma-rays.

In future models, the nuclear reaction network could be improved to calculate better yields for magnetar-powered SNe. More realistic initial conditions for the core-collapse explosion based on dedicated 2D or 3D simulations rather than energy injection by the magnetar might also emit observable gamma-rays. More realistic prescriptions for the CSM can also be calculated from radiation hydrodynamical models of the ambient H II region and wind cavity of the star. In such profiles, the jet might reach velocities of 0.95c and produce a GRB, mandating special relativistic upgrades to the hydro solver in CASTRO. Another scenario worth consideration is the collision of the asymmetric ejecta with a CSM.

Our models will soon be confronted by more detections of magnetar-powered SNe in SN searches with PTF, Pan-STARRS, LSST, and future searches with Euclid and the Wide-field Infrared Survey Telescope. These exotic explosions may have occurred more frequently in the primeval universe because the Population III initial mass function may have been top-heavy (e.g., Bromm et al. 2009; Whalen 2012; Glover 2013). Many primordial stars may also have been born with rotation speeds close to the breakup limit (Stacy et al. 2011, 2013) or in binaries (Turk et al. 2009; Stacy et al. 2010; Stacy & Bromm 2013). Some of these highly energetic transients (e.g., Nakauchi et al. 2012) may also be found in the near-infrared by the James Webb Space Telescope and ground-based 30 m telescopes and probe the properties of the first stars in the universe.

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