Fallback Accretion-powered Supernova Light Curves Based on a Neutrino-driven Explosion Simulation of a 40 $M_\odot$ Star

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Abstract

We present synthetic light curves (LCs) of fallback-powered supernovae based on a neutrino-driven explosion of a 40 $M_\odot$ zero-metallicity star with significant fallback accretion onto a black hole that was previously simulated by Chan et al. until shock breakout. Here, we investigate the LC properties of the explosion after shock breakout for various fallback models. Without extra power from fallback accretion, the LC is that of an SN IIP with a plateau magnitude of around −14 mag and a plateau duration of 40 days. With extra power for the LC from fallback accretion, however, we find that the transient can be significantly more luminous. The LC shape can be SN 1987A-like or Type IIP-like, depending on the efficiency of the fallback engine. If the accretion disk forms soon after the collapse and more than 1% of the accretion energy is released as the central engine, fallback accretion-powered supernovae become as luminous as superluminous supernovae. We suggest that Type II superluminous supernovae with broad hydrogen features could be related to such hydrogen-rich supernovae powered by fallback accretion. In the future, such superluminous supernovae powered by fallback accretion might be found among the supernovae from the first stars in addition to pair-instability supernovae and pulsational pair-instability supernovae.

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1. Introduction

The core collapse of massive stars is the major formation site of stellar mass black holes (BHs). The collapse initially leads to the formation of a proto-neutron star and the formation of a shock wave after the core overshoots nuclear density and rebounds. The shock quickly stalls, however, and the proto-neutron star continues to grow by accretion. In many cases, the shock is then revived, most likely due to heating by neutrinos, which are emitted in copious amounts from the proto-neutron star (e.g., Müller 2016), and a successful supernova (SN) appears. In some progenitors, shock revival may instead be achieved by magnetohydrodynamic effects (e.g., Akiyama et al. 2003; Mösta et al. 2015) or other mechanisms (e.g., Fischer et al. 2018). If the shock is not revived, however, the outer shells of the star keep collapsing and a BH is eventually formed. There may be a transition regime, however, in which both a BH is formed and an observable SN transient is produced. It has been proposed that SNe with small explosion energies may still be accompanied by BH formation (Zampieri et al. 2003; Moriya et al. 2010), and such SNe are suggested to be important to account for peculiar chemical abundances in low-metallicity stars (e.g., Ishigaki et al. 2014; Keller et al. 2014; Bessell et al. 2015). Clarifying the pathways to BH formation and their accompanying transients is important, especially for understanding the origin of the massive double BH binaries recently observed with gravitational waves (e.g., Abbott et al. 2016).

Several scenarios for transients from BH-forming events have been considered in the literature. Even if the shock is not revived and a BH forms directly by ongoing accretion, the reduction of the star’s gravitational mass by neutrino emission can still trigger mass ejection from the progenitor surface, which then gives rise to a faint and slowly evolving transient (Nadezhin 1980; Lovegrove & Woosley 2013; Coughlin et al. 2018; Fernández et al. 2018).

Another possibility is that a central engine operates after BH formation and initiates an explosion. For example, in the collapsar scenario for gamma-ray bursts the collapse may form an accretion disk, from which relativistic jets can be launched by magnetohydrodynamic effects or neutrinos (e.g., Woosley 1993; MacFadyen & Woosley 1999), while the disk wind powers the accompanying supernova (e.g., MacFadyen & Woosley 1999; Hayakawa & Maeda 2018).

Such an accretion-powered engine could also operate if an explosion has already been triggered by another mechanism (e.g., by neutrino heating), but is not sufficiently energetic to unbind the whole star. In this case, some of the ejecta eventually fall back to the central remnant (e.g., Chevalier 1989; Zhang et al. 2008). Similar to the collapsar scenario, such long-term fallback accretion could lead to the formation of an accretion disk and the launching of an accretion disk wind (Dexter & Kasen 2013; Feng et al. 2018, see also Woosley & Heger 2012; Gilkis & Soker 2014). The accretion disk wind collides with the accreting material and forms strong shocks that can push back some of the matter undergoing fallback. Moreover, the shocks provide a power source to make the ejecta bright (Dexter & Kasen 2013). Such fallback-powered SNe have been related to peculiar SNe such as superluminous SNe (SLSNe; Dexter & Kasen 2013; Moriya et al. 2018a).
particular, Moriya et al. (2018b) suggested that the energetic hydrogen-rich SN OGLE-2014-SN-073 (Terreran et al. 2017) can be explained as a fallback-powered SN.

It is challenging, however, to model fallback-powered SNe consistently. In a previous study of fallback-powered SNe (Moriya et al. 2018b), we used a semi-analytic method to estimate the shock velocity propagating in SN progenitors to derive the fallback accretion rate onto the central BH. The initial explosion was triggered artificially in a spherically symmetric code, and the explosion energy was chosen by hand. Although a number of multidimensional simulations of fallback in BH-forming SNe have been conducted in recent years (Joggerst et al. 2009, 2010a, 2010b; Chen et al. 2017) and could be used as input for light-curve (LC) calculations, these were also artificially initiated by a thermal bomb or a kinetic piston instead of modeling the phase of shock revival self-consistently. Recently, Chan et al. (2018) simulated a neutrino-driven fallback SN of a massive (40\(M_{\odot}\)) zero-metallicity progenitor from core collapse to shock breakout in three dimensions for the first time. The explosion of this progenitor has been suggested to explain the chemical properties of the recently discovered iron-free star (Bessell et al. 2015). Different from previous studies, Chan et al. (2018) find that the transfer of energy from the core of the SN to the ejected shells is inherently multidimensional during the first tens of seconds after BH formation, although the explosion has become nearly spherical at shock breakout. In this study, we investigate the LC properties of the fallback-powered SNe based on this state-of-the-art simulation presented by Chan et al. (2018) as a step toward more consistent modeling of fallback-powered transients.

This paper is organized as follows: We present the model setup of our LC calculations in Section 2. The results of our LC calculations are shown in Section 3. We discuss our results and conclude this paper in Section 4.

2. Model Setup

2.1. Explosion Model

We adopt the three-dimensional (3D) fallback SN model of Chan et al. (2018) as input for our LC calculations in this study. The SN progenitor is a 40\(M_{\odot}\) mass star of zero metallicity and was evolved using the stellar evolution code \textit{Kepler} up to the onset of collapse (Heger & Woosley 2010). The progenitor has a hydrogen-rich envelope of 24.7\(M_{\odot}\) and a helium core mass of 15.3\(M_{\odot}\). Its radius is 24\(R_{\odot}\). At the onset of collapse, the progenitor is mapped to the relativistic neutrino hydrodynamics code \textit{CoCoNuT-FMT}, and evolved in three dimensions through bounce, shock revival, and into the explosion phase until BH formation. At the time of BH formation, the hydrodynamic structure is mapped into the quasi-Lagrangian moving-mesh hydrodynamics code \textit{Arepo} (Springel 2010), and the hydrodynamic evolution is followed until shock breakout, which occurs 3900\(s\) after the onset of the core collapse. For further details, we refer to Chan et al. (2018).

At shock breakout, we spherically average the model to obtain initial conditions for our LC calculations. Since the strongly asymmetric neutrino-heated ejecta have already undergone fallback and the 3D model has a nearly spherically symmetric structure at the time of shock breakout, the assumption of the spherical symmetry is reasonable for the subsequent evolution (Chan et al. 2018). At this stage, the outer layers have a positive explosion energy of \(\sim 2 \times 10^{50}\) erg, and significant fraction of the progenitor is ejected without the need to assume any additional energy input from a central BH engine. The central BH mass at the time of shock breakout is 19\(M_{\odot}\). The bound and unbound ejecta masses are 10\(M_{\odot}\) and 11\(M_{\odot}\), respectively, and the final BH mass is estimated to be 29\(M_{\odot}\).

2.2. Fallback Accretion Rate

Based on the spherically averaged hydrodynamic structure of the model at shock breakout, we estimate the fallback accretion rate onto the central BH. We follow the subsequent hydrodynamic evolution of the fallback material using the ballistic approximation, i.e., we only take into account the effect of gravity but neglect pressure forces. In other words, we simply solve the equation of motion \(d^2r/dt^2 = -GM(r)/r^2\) with the initial conditions at shock breakout, where \(M(r)\) is the mass coordinate. Using this assumption, we can simply take the initial velocity and the inner mass to estimate the fallback accretion rate. The accretion rate at each time is estimated at a radius \(10^6\) cm.

Figure 1 shows the estimated fallback accretion rate. Until shock breakout, the BH accretion rate can also be obtained from the \textit{Arepo} simulation for a consistency check: it is \(9 \times 10^{-4} M_{\odot}\, s^{-1}\) shortly before the shock breakout. This is consistent with and validates the simplified estimate from the ballistic approximation. The fallback accretion rate is of the order of \(10^{-4} M_{\odot}\, s^{-1}\) in the first \(10^4\) s. Later, the accretion rate becomes proportional to \(r^{-3}\), as is expected from analytic theory (Michel 1988; Chevalier 1989). The overall evolution of the accretion rate is consistent with other analytic estimates (e.g., Dexter & Kasen 2013).

2.3. LC Calculations

We follow the LC evolution of the explosion model using the one-dimensional multigroup radiation hydrodynamics code \textit{STELLA} (Blinnikov et al. 1998, 2000, 2006), which we already used in our previous study of fallback-powered SNe (Moriya et al. 2018b). Briefly, \textit{STELLA} calculates the spectral energy distributions (SEDs) at each time-step and we can obtain multicolor LCs by convolving filter functions with the SEDs. In addition to the hydrodynamic equations, \textit{STELLA} implicitly
treats time-dependent equations of the angular moments of intensity averaged over a frequency bin with the variable Eddington method. Our calculations are performed by adopting 100 frequency bins from 1 to 50000 A, which is standard in STELLA. Local thermodynamic equilibrium is assumed to set the ionization levels of materials determining opacity.

We take both the hydrodynamic structure and the chemical abundances from the spherically averaged 3D model at shock breakout. The abundances in the ejecta are basically the same as that of the initial metal-free primordial gas, because Chan et al. (2018) found no significant global mixing in the ejecta during the explosion. This also justifies our use of the spherically averaged abundance in our LC calculations.

We inject the fallback accretion power close to the inner boundary of the STELLA model in the form of thermal energy. Thermal energy is injected in 0.1 Ms above the mass cut at $3 \times 10^{11}$ cm. This mass cut is chosen such that our STELLA calculations can be performed smoothly. Although the disk formation and the actual energy injection could occur at smaller radii, this difference is not likely to affect LCs during the epochs we mainly discuss (after ~1 day). This is because photosphere is well above this injection radius. The thermal energy injection rate, $L_{\text{fallback}}$, follows

$$L_{\text{fallback}} = \eta M c^2,$$

where $M$ is the fallback accretion rate (Figure 1), and $c$ is the speed of light. $\eta$ is the conversion efficiency from fallback accretion to the central energy input. The mechanism of energy transfer from fallback energy to ejecta, in which different physical mechanisms may be at work, is not obvious. Such a mechanism is beyond the scope of our current paper and therefore we simply parameterized it by introducing the efficiency $\eta$. For example, the conversion efficiency is estimated to be $\eta \sim 10^{-3}$ by Dexter & Kasen (2013), but is in fact quite uncertain. We conduct our LC calculations by varying $\eta$ between $10^{-2}$ and $10^{-4}$. Because most of the $^{56}$Ni made by the SN shock has already been accreted to the central remnant at the time of the shock breakout, we ignore $^{56}$Ni heating in this study.

We assume several delay time ($t_{\text{delay}}$) models for the fallback energy input to be activated. Delayed energy injection could be caused, e.g., by a delay in forming the fallback accretion disk. Whereas the “no delay” model ($t_{\text{delay}} = 0$) has central fallback accretion power right from the beginning of the LC calculations, $t_{\text{delay}} = 10^4$ s, $10^5$ s, and $10^6$ s models have a delay of the central energy input by $10^4$ s, $10^5$ s, and $10^6$ s, respectively. The delay time is determined by the remaining angular momentum in the progenitor and the imparted angular momentum during the explosion to form the accretion disk and we simply assume several possibilities in this study. Progenitor rotation was not included in Chan et al. (2018), but stellar evolution models that include angular momentum transport by the Tayler–Spruit dynamo typically have sufficient angular momentum for disk formation in the large parts of the hydrogen shell if mass loss is weak as for Population III stars, even if they rotate subcritically on the zero-age main sequence (see, e.g., the 30 $M_\odot$ model m30vk02 of Yoon et al. 2012). In the model of Chan et al. (2018), the accretion of the hydrogen shell on the BH roughly starts around shock breakout at $\sim 4000$ s (see their Figure 4), so it is realistic to expect a delay time of the order of $10^4$ s or longer until the fallback engine can operate in the case of moderately fast progenitor rotation. Although the angular momentum left in the original explosion model of Chan et al. (2018) is rather small and $t_{\text{delay}}$ could be even larger, the angular momentum can be gained by some ways as discussed in Section 4. Therefore, we simply parameterize $t_{\text{delay}}$ and investigate several possibilities. We show the results of $t_{\text{delay}} \leq 10^6$ s because the injected energy is mostly less than the original explosion energy of $\sim 2 \times 10^{50}$ erg when $t_{\text{delay}} \geq 10^5$ s and we do not expect a significant effect on LCs by the fallback energy when $t_{\text{delay}} \geq 10^5$ s. Even for the case of $t_{\text{delay}} = 10^6$ s, the $\eta = 10^{-4}$ model does not obtain enough energy to affect the LC. The models with $t_{\text{delay}} \leq 10^3$ s are found to be similar to those without a delay and the delay times larger than $10^3$ s make a difference in LCs. We also show the LC without any central energy input, assuming that the fallback material is simply swallowed by the central BH.

It is possible that the BH accretion power stops at some time, e.g., because the outflows powered by fallback accretion early on obstruct the fallback of shells further out. In order to see the effect of a cut in fallback accretion power, we introduce a parameter $t_{\text{cut}}$ for the cutoff time of the fallback-powered engine. We set $t_{\text{cut}} = \infty$, i.e., no power cut, in our standard simulations, but we also present LCs with $t_{\text{cut}} = 10$, 50, 100, 150, and 200 days to show the effect of variations in $t_{\text{cut}}$. In this work, we are interested in the effect of $t_{\text{cut}}$ in late phases after the successful energy injection. The quantities $t_{\text{cut}}$ and $t_{\text{delay}}$ may actually be similar, but such a case is beyond the scope of our paper.

3. Light Curves

Figure 2 shows representative synthetic LCs of fallback-powered SNe with different $\eta$ and $t_{\text{delay}}$. The black solid LC is from the model without fallback accretion power input. The gray lines show the accretion power injected at the inner boundary for different $\eta$.
56Ni is present in the ejecta, the luminosity just drops without a tail after the plateau.

Fallback accretion power input dramatically changes the LC properties. The accretion power input released as thermal energy pushes the innermost layers of the ejecta and a shock wave is formed. The shock wave propagates to the surface of the slowly expanding ejecta and the entire ejecta expand much faster than the ejecta without the accretion power. The faster expansion makes the photospheric radius much larger than that in the model without the accretion power and the accretion-powered LCs become much brighter. The thermal energy from the accretion keeps heating the ejecta and the extra heating keeps the accretion-powered models much brighter than the model without the accretion power. For the smallest accretion efficiency ($\eta = 10^{-4}$), the LCs show a gradual LC rise for 100–150 days, and their shapes resemble that of SN 1987A. The total injected energy in these models is of the order of $10^{51}$ erg (Table 1). The standard explosion energy combined with the small progenitor radius results in SN 1987A-like LCs. For $t_{\text{delay}} = 10^3$ s, the model only gains $3 \times 10^{50}$ erg, which is comparable to the original explosion energy of $2 \times 10^{50}$ erg. The LCs with the larger $t_{\text{delay}}$ have longer rise times because of the slower expansion. The time of the LC drop determining the LC peak appears when the recombination wave in the hydrogen-rich envelope reaches the bottom of the hydrogen-rich envelope. The less efficient adiabatic cooling caused by the slower expansion delays hydrogen recombination and the hydrogen recombination wave propagates slower. When $t_{\text{delay}} = 10^5$ s, we find that the amount of fallback energy is not enough to affect the LC.

The models with $\eta = 10^{-3}$ and $t_{\text{delay}} \lesssim 10^4$ s gain more than $10^{52}$ erg from fallback accretion power (Table 1). The $t_{\text{delay}} = 10^5$ s model gains $3 \times 10^{51}$ erg. In either case, a strong shock is generated by the fallback accretion power and provides sufficient thermal energy to sustain a luminous ($\sim 10^{53}$ erg s$^{-1}$) plateau for a long time ($\sim 150$ days). When $t_{\text{delay}} = 10^6$ s, the LC first follows the LC without the fallback power and then the luminosity slowly keeps increasing until the LC drop is caused by the hydrogen recombination. The models with $\eta = 10^{-2}$ gain more than $10^{53}$ erg from fallback accretion.

For this high accretion efficiency, the bolometric LCs have a plateau-like phase of the constant luminosity, but there is no clear drop at the phase of constant luminosity as seen in the $\eta \lesssim 10^{-3}$ models. The LC shapes are rather round as seen in stripped-envelope SNe. This is because the large energy input can keep the hydrogen-rich envelope ionized and no effect of the hydrogen recombination that makes the plateau and drop in the LCs of the smaller $\eta$ appears in this case.

All the models presented so far have $t_{\text{cut}} = \infty$. Figure 3 presents the LC models with finite $t_{\text{cut}}$. Once energy injection is cut off, the LCs start to decline quickly because of the lack of an energy source. In the models with $\eta = 10^{-2}$, the LCs drop immediately after $t_{\text{cut}}$. Similarly, prompt drop after $t_{\text{cut}}$ is also found in the models with $\eta = 10^{-4}$ and $10^{-3}$ if $t_{\text{cut}} \geq 150$ days. When accretion power is cut during the recombination phase as in the models with $t_{\text{cut}} \leq 100$ days and $\eta = 10^{-4}$ or $10^{-3}$, however, the LC does not drop immediately after $t_{\text{cut}}$. The remaining thermal energy keeps the recombination wave in the ejecta and the plateau phase is sustained for a while even after $t_{\text{cut}}$. The models with $t_{\text{cut}} = 10$ days decline at around 80 days, the models with $t_{\text{cut}} = 50$ days decline at around 100 days, and the models with $t_{\text{cut}} = 100$ days decline at around 120 days.

The energy injection by fallback accretion may be accompanied by a significant outflow, and up to around two-thirds of the accreted mass may be turned back to the ejecta (e.g., Kohri et al. 2005). The total accreted mass becomes 13 $M_\odot$ for the case of $t_{\text{delay}} = 0$, but the possibility that the accreted mass turns back to the ejecta is not considered in our models. The possible turn back may make the ejecta at most about two times more massive. When an LC has a plateau phase caused by the hydrogen recombination, as in the $\eta = 10^{-3}$ models, the plateau duration would be longer by a factor of 1.4 and the plateau luminosity would be smaller by the same factor when the ejecta mass is doubled (e.g., Kasen & Woosley 2009). If an LC is dominated by diffusion, as in the $\eta = 10^{-4}$ and $10^{-2}$ models, the LC rise time would be longer by a factor of 1.7 and the peak luminosity would get smaller accordingly by doubling the ejecta mass (Arnett 1982). Thus, our LC prediction may be altered by such a factor by taking the mass increase in the ejecta into account.

In Figure 4 we compare our synthetic $R$-band LCs to those of luminous hydrogen-rich SNe. As presented in Moriya et al. (2018b), the overall LC properties are consistent with the luminous energetic hydrogen-rich SN OGLE-2014-SN-073.
Comparison between the synthetic \( B \)-band LCs and luminous hydrogen-rich SN LCs. The dotted-dashed LC model is the one with \( \eta = 3 \times 10^{-3} \) and \( t_{\text{delay}} = 0 \). See the text for the sources of the observational data. The LCs of the standard Type IIP SN 1999em (Bersten & Hamuy 2009) and SN 1987A (Arnett et al. 1989 and the references therein) are presented for comparison.

(Terreran et al. 2017). Some of our synthetic LCs show a similar behavior to SN 2009kf, which is among the most luminous SNe IIP (Botticella et al. 2010), and to PTF12kso, which is one of the most luminous SNe II discovered by PTF (Taddia et al. 2016). Their luminosity is consistent with the LC models with \( \eta = 10^{-4} - 10^{-3} \). Our hydrogen-rich fallback-powered model with the high energy conversion efficiency (\( \eta = 10^{-2} \)) has an LC similar to SN 2008es, an SLSN with broad hydrogen spectroscopic features. Most hydrogen-rich SLSNe are Type IIn but SN 2008es is one of a few SLSNe with broad hydrogen features (Gezari et al. 2009; Miller et al. 2009; Inserra et al. 2018).

Figure 5 shows the photospheric velocity evolution of our models. The photospheric velocity is mostly constant in our models. This is due to the way we inject the fallback accretion energy into the ejecta. We put the fallback accretion power in the progenitor at or shortly after the shock breakout and, therefore, the initial density structure at the beginning of the energy injection is already set by the initial neutrino-driven explosion. The original hydrodynamic structure of the progenitor has already been altered by the shock and the second shock initiated by the fallback accretion energy input travels in the altered structure as presented in Figure 6. This results in the formation of the dense shell in the ejecta (Figure 6), as is also found when magnetar spindown power is injected at the bottom of SN ejecta (e.g., Kasen & Bildsten 2010). The photosphere remains in this massive shell for a very long time and hence the photospheric velocity is kept constant for a long time. By contrast, the fallback accretion energy was turned on at 100 s after the explosion in Moriya et al. (2018b). This is well before the shock created by the initial explosion reaches the progenitor surface and the shock initiated by the fallback accretion energy input itself determines the initial SN ejecta structure in the models in Moriya et al. (2018b). No shell structure is found in the ejecta as in Figure 6 and, therefore, no constant photospheric velocity is found for a long time in the models presented in Moriya et al.

\( \eta = 10^{-3} \) models with \( t_{\text{delay}} = 0 \) in the velocity coordinate.

(2018b). The photospheric velocities in SLSNe tend to decline after the LC peak, but some of them keep the constant photospheric velocities (e.g., Nicholl et al. 2015; Liu et al. 2017). The photospheric temperature for both models is around 6000 K at the hydrogen recombination phase. Before the hydrogen recombination, the photospheric temperature reaches \( \gtrsim 10^4 \) K.

\( \text{4. Discussion and Conclusions} \)

We have presented synthetic multicolor LCs of hydrogen-rich SNe powered by the fallback accretion. We adopt a neutrino-driven explosion model of the 40 \( M_{\odot} \), zero-metallicity progenitor in which the inner part of the progenitor falls back to the central compact remnant. We estimate the fallback accretion rate based on the result of the numerical neutrino-driven explosion simulation by Chan et al. (2018) and use it to investigate the fallback-powered SN LC properties.

We have shown that fallback-powered SNe can have a variety of LC shapes, including those of SN 1987A-like SNe, SNe IIP, and SLSNe. Without fallback accretion energy input, the SN is predicted to be a faint SN IIP with a plateau magnitude of \( \sim -14 \) mag and a short plateau duration of around 40 days. In this case, one does not expect a tail phase because no \( ^{56}\text{Ni} \) is ejected in the model. If we add fallback accretion power with a small efficiency \( (\eta = 10^{-4}) \), we find that the SN

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\( ^8 \) This dense shell is found to be unstable and deformed in multidimensional hydrodynamic simulations (e.g., Chen et al. 2014; Suzuki & Maeda 2017).
can be observed as an SN 1987A-like SN like OGLE-2014-SN-073 (Terreran et al.
2017; Moriya et al. 2018b). If the efficiency is $\eta = 10^{-7}$, the fallback accretion-powered SNe becomes a luminous SN IIP like SN 2009kf (Botticella et al. 2010). If the efficiency can be as high as $\eta = 10^{-5}$, the SN may be observed as an SLSN with broad hydrogen lines like SN 2008es (Gezari et al. 2009; Miller et al. 2009). Indeed, the fallback energy input in this case is similar to those found to fit SLSN LCs (Moriya et al. 2018a).

We find that the overall LC properties of the fallback accretion-powered hydrogen-rich SNe are similar to those of magnetar-powered hydrogen-rich SNe (Bersten & Benvenuto 2016; Sukhbold & Thompson 2017; Orellana et al. 2018). Overall, these two modes of energy inputs produce similar results and it is difficult to distinguish the two central engine models solely by the LCs. One possible difference is that fallback accretion power might be easier to shut down. The accretion toward the central compact remnant could be quenched by fallback accretion energy input, which could push away the outer infalling shell. The LCs would then drop following the quenching of the accretion (Figure 3). By contrast, the dipole emission from the spindown of magnetars is not likely to cease immediately, although massive magnetars may suddenly transform into a BH, and the spindown energy may stop immediately in such cases (Moriya et al. 2016).

Another property that is unique to magnetars is the existence of an upper limit for the rotational energy that can be extracted from them: Mazzali et al. (2014) argued that the energy of SNe accompanying long gamma-ray bursts is limited to around $2 \times 10^{52}$ erg, which is the maximum rotational energy that neutron stars of around 1.4 $M_\odot$ can have and can be pumped into the ejecta by a magnetar engine. In other words, if we find SNe exceeding this maximum energy that can be provided by magnetars, they would be promising fallback-powered SN candidates. We note, however, that the maximum rotational energy can change depending on the neutron star mass (e.g., Metzger et al. 2015). Looking into the spectroscopic properties could be a promising way to distinguish the two engine types because fallback accretion swallows the central part of the progenitors, and a small amount of heavy elements are likely to be ejected through the accretion disk wind, whereas most of heavy elements should be ejected in the magnetar-powered SNe. In order to ascertain the observational signatures, it will also be important to better explore problems such as disk formation, the formation of disk outflows, and the termination of accretion by means of multidimensional simulations in the future.

We note that the fallback accretion energy is more likely to be activated in hydrogen-rich progenitors from the perspective of stellar evolution. It is hard to achieve the conditions required to form magnetars in hydrogen-rich progenitors (e.g., Heger et al. 2005) because of efficient angular momentum transport from the core to the hydrogen-rich envelope, in particular if dynamo action is considered. For fallback-powered SNe, one needs to form an accretion disk near the compact remnant to have the accretion disk wind powering the SNe. Such an accretion disk can be formed even if the initial rotational period of the core is small because shells farther out in the envelope have higher specific angular momentum and can easily reach Keplerian velocities before being accreted onto the central compact object. Even if the angular momentum in the envelope is not sufficiently large, asymmetric explosions may impart sufficient angular momentum to the outer envelope by imparting some tangential velocity onto the fallback material, as found in a more energetic fallback supernova model (C. Chan et al. 2019, in preparation), which is enough to make an accretion disk as it falls back.

Fallback-powered SNe may also be affected by the interaction between SN ejecta and a dense circumstellar medium (CSM) surrounding them. Although the 40 $M_\odot$ progenitor we studied does not experience much mass loss during its evolution, more massive progenitors are expected to undergo significant mass loss before the explosions due to the pulsational pair instability (Woosley 2017). After forming a dense CSM due to the pulsational pair instability, the progenitors are expected to collapse by forming BHs and may result in the fallback-powered SNe. Therefore, the existence of a dense CSM could be common in the fallback-powered SNe. The possibility of CSM interaction in fallback SNe needs to be studied further in the future. Difference in CSM configurations with the same central engine can result in a variety of LCs (e.g., Fischer et al. 2018).

Finally, fallback-powered SNe may be common among the explosions of the first stars. It has been predicted that the first stars have a top-heavy initial mass function (e.g., Hirano et al. 2015), and many of them are likely to be massive enough to form a BH during their explosions. Pair-instability SNe from the first stars (Heger & Woosley 2002) are generally considered as potential SNe that could become bright enough to be observed even from this early epoch of cosmic evolution in the future transient surveys, especially in near-infrared (e.g., Scannapieco et al. 2005). We have shown that the fallback-powered SN from the 40 $M_\odot$ first star can be as luminous as pair-instability SNe. The mass range of pair-instability SNe that can be as bright as SLSNe is limited to be between around 200 $M_\odot$ and 250 $M_\odot$ (e.g., Kasen et al. 2011). BH-forming SNe, however, likely originate from a much wider mass ranges and may therefore be considerably more common. Thus, if sufficiently high accretion efficiencies $\eta$ can be realized, fallback-powered SNe as investigated in our study could be frequently observed in the future high-redshift transient surveys with the James Webb Space Telescope or the Wide-field InfraRed Space Telescope.

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