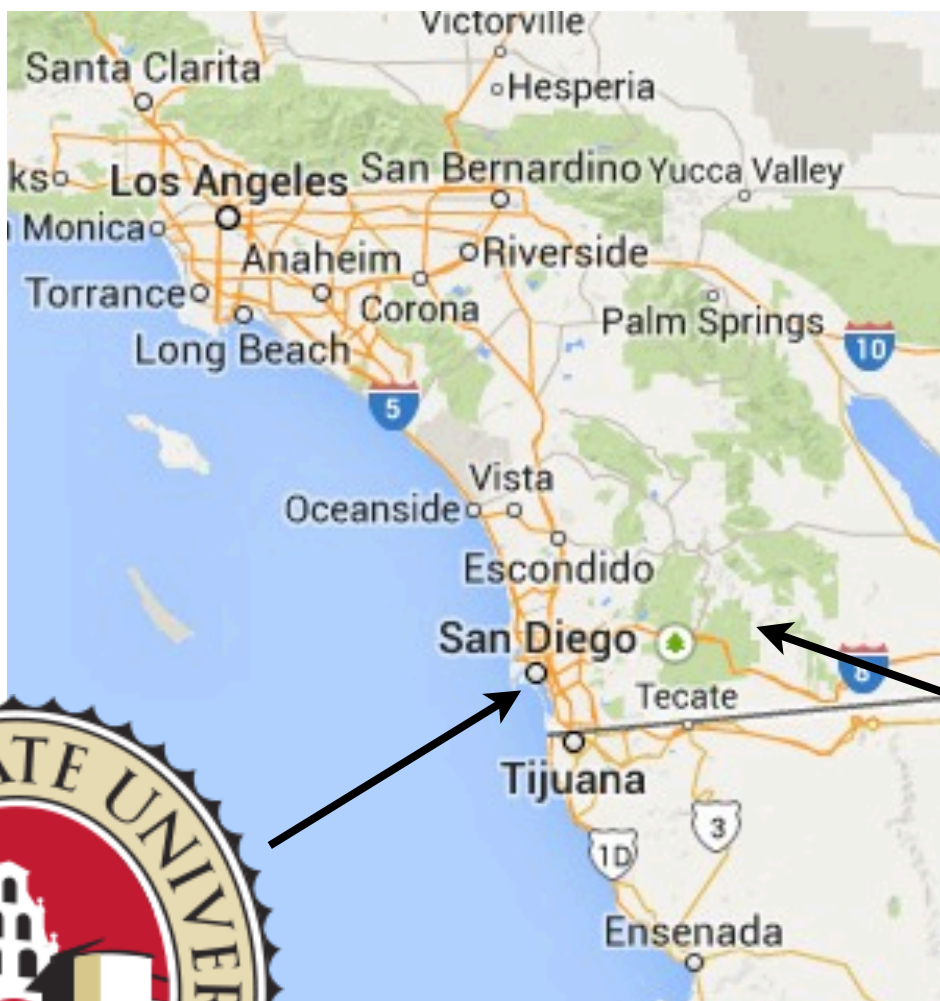




Superluminous Supernovae

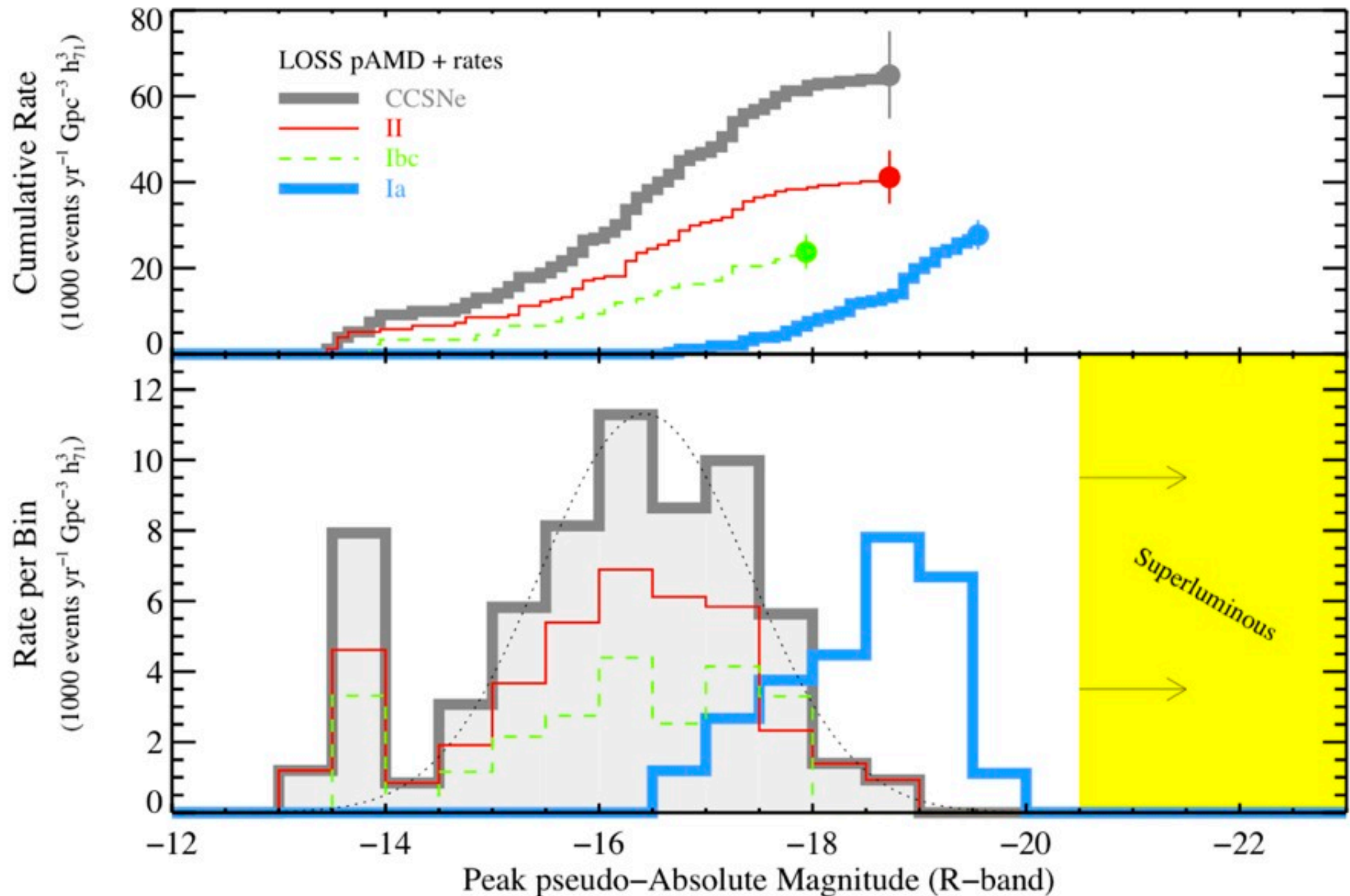
Robert Quimby

I'm Moving to SDSU From September

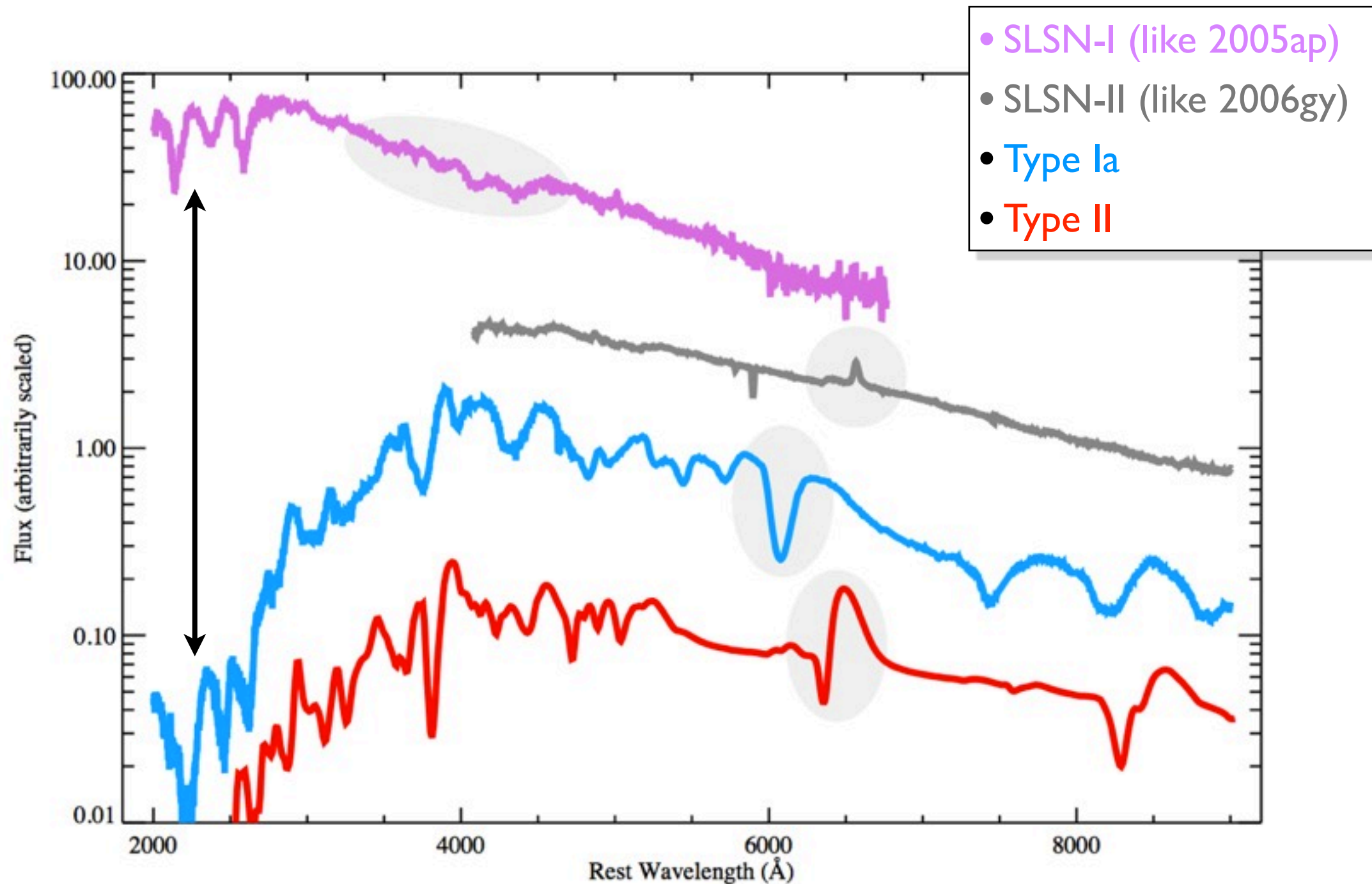


Absolute Magnitude Distributions of Supernovae

Data from LOSS (Li et al. 2011)

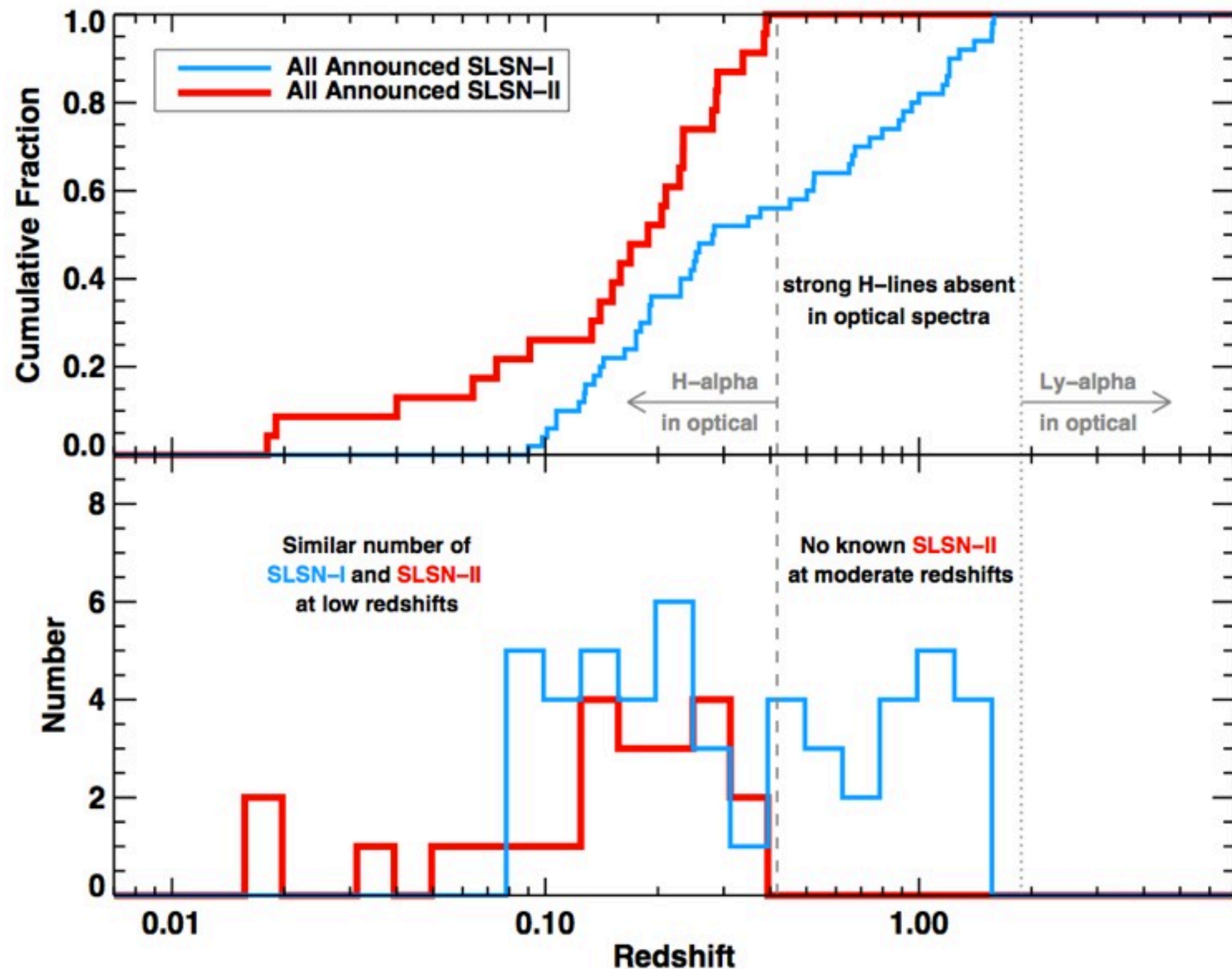


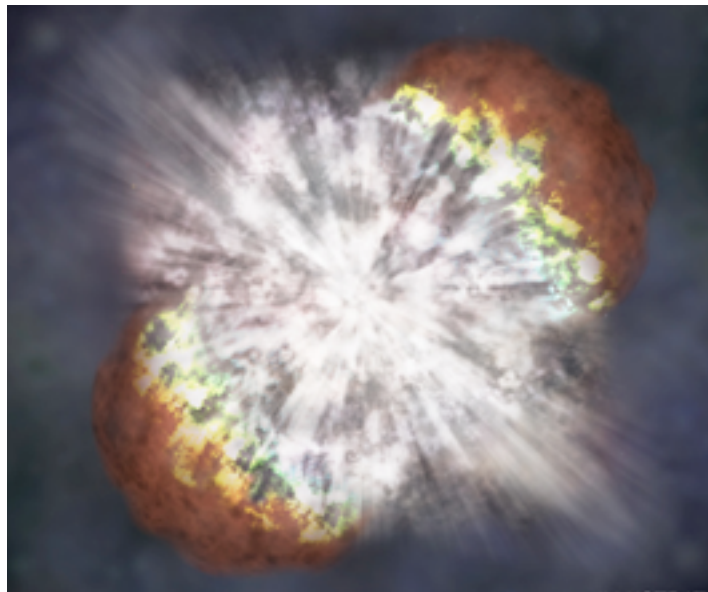
SLSN Spectra



Hundreds of times brighter than SNIa in the UV!

Redshift Distributions of **SLSN-I** and **SLSN-II**





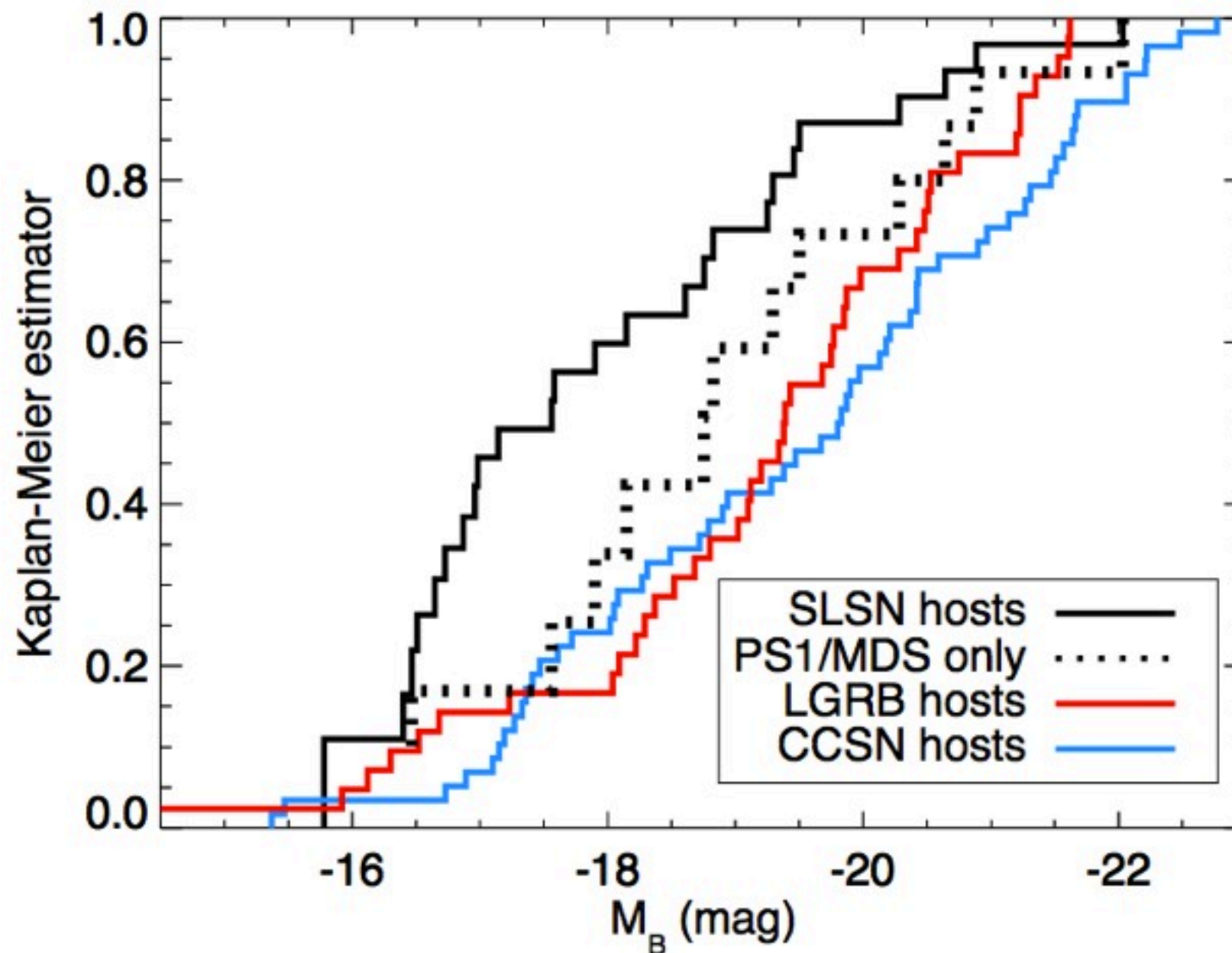
What are SLSNe Physically?

Three possibilities under consideration:

- 1) Pair Instability supernovae?
- 2) Supernovae powered by ejecta/wind interaction?
- 3) Supernovae powered by a compact remnant?

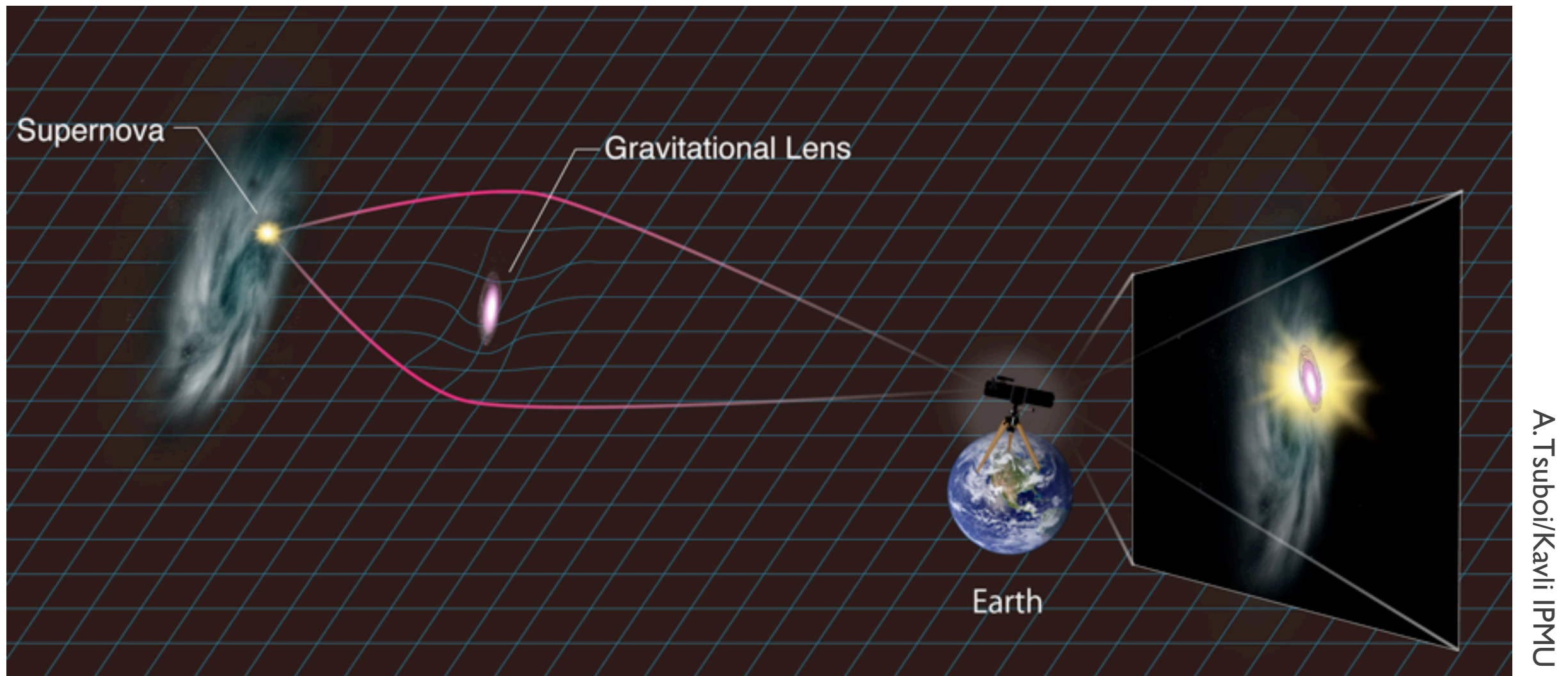
SLSN-I Host Galaxies

- Prefer less luminous hosts than CCSN
- May be similar to LGRB hosts



Lunnan et al. 2014

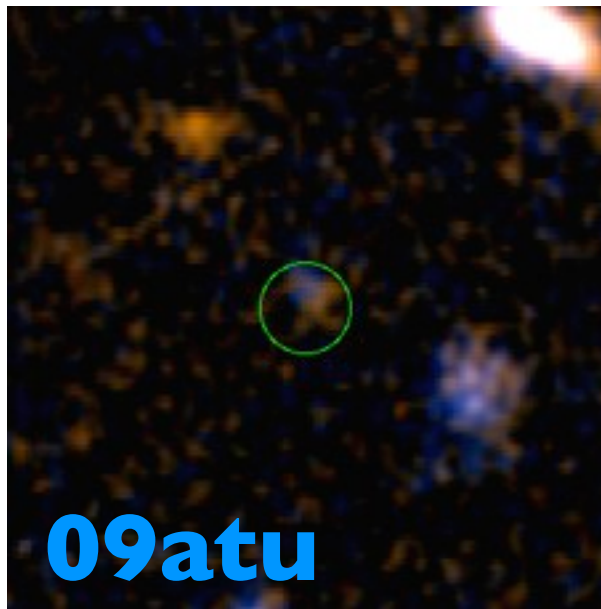
PS1-10afx is not a SLSN; Its a Gravitationally Lensed SNIa



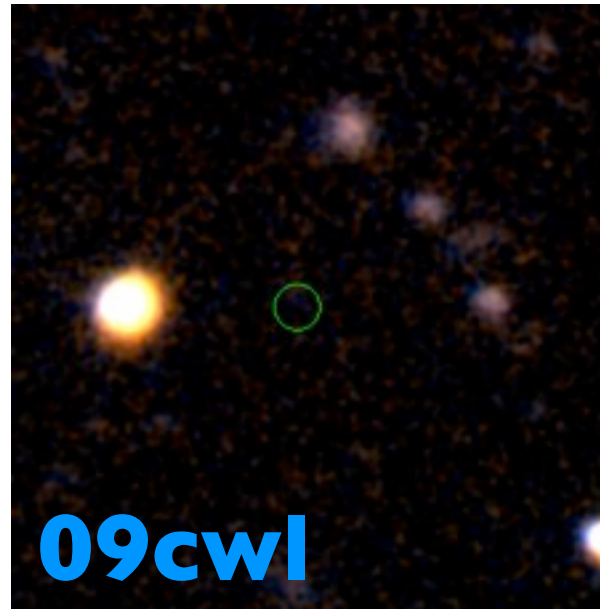
First strongly lensed Type Ia supernova!

SLSN Hosts

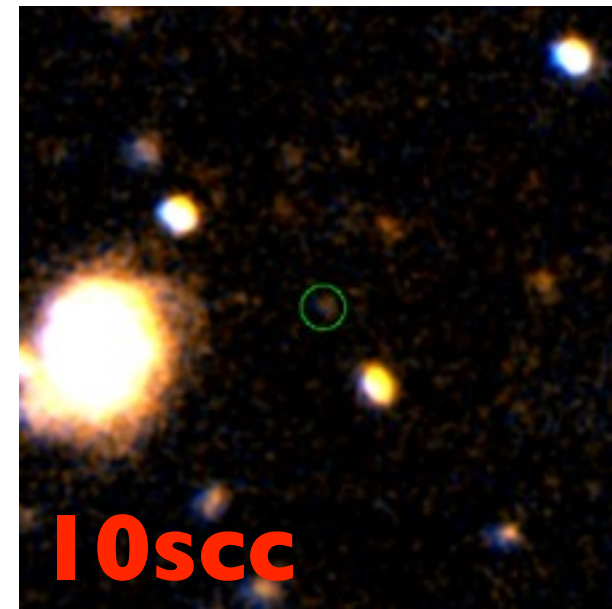
(Perley et al. in prep)



m = 27 mag
M = -15 mag



m = 26 mag
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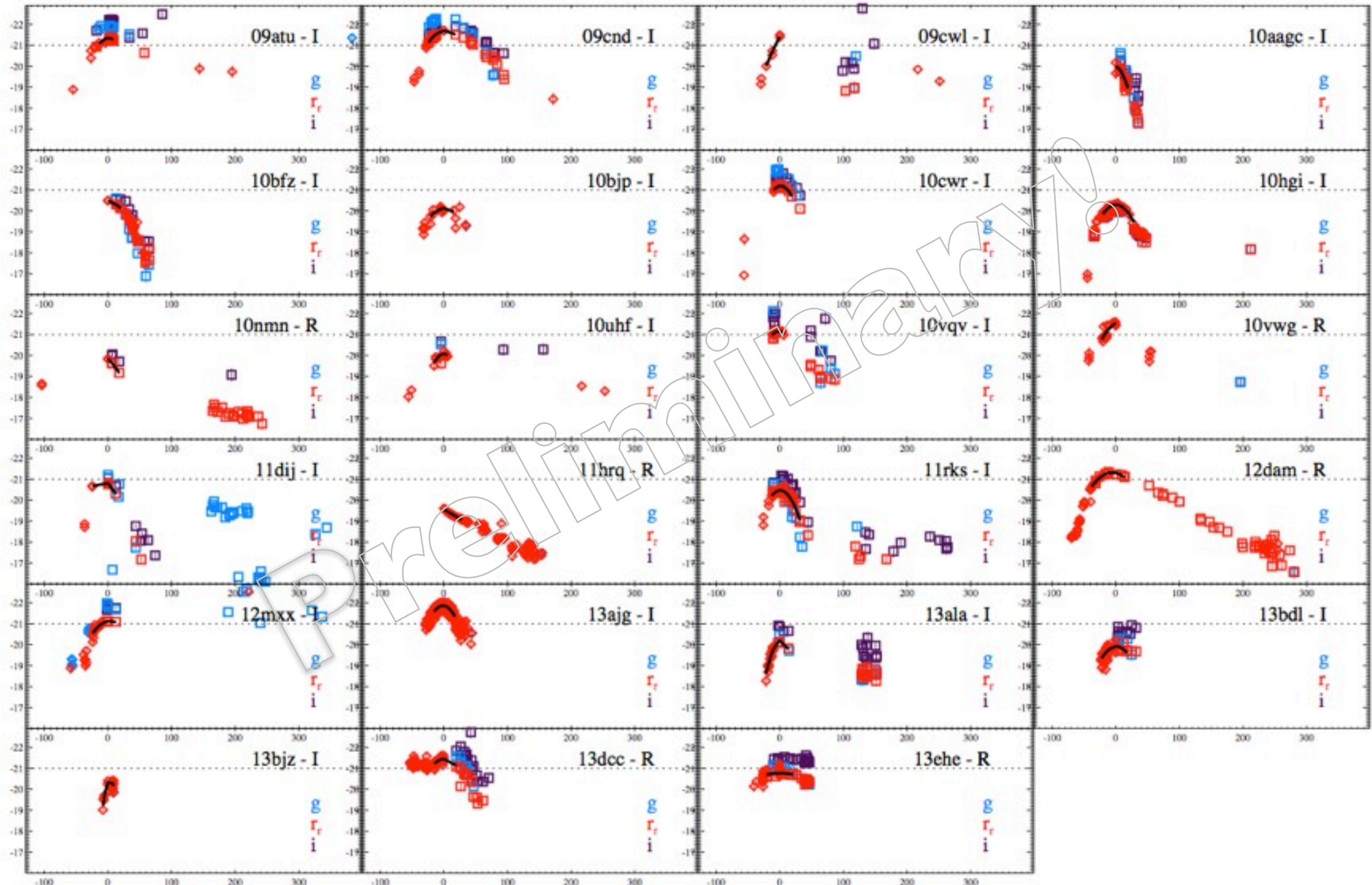


m = 26 mag
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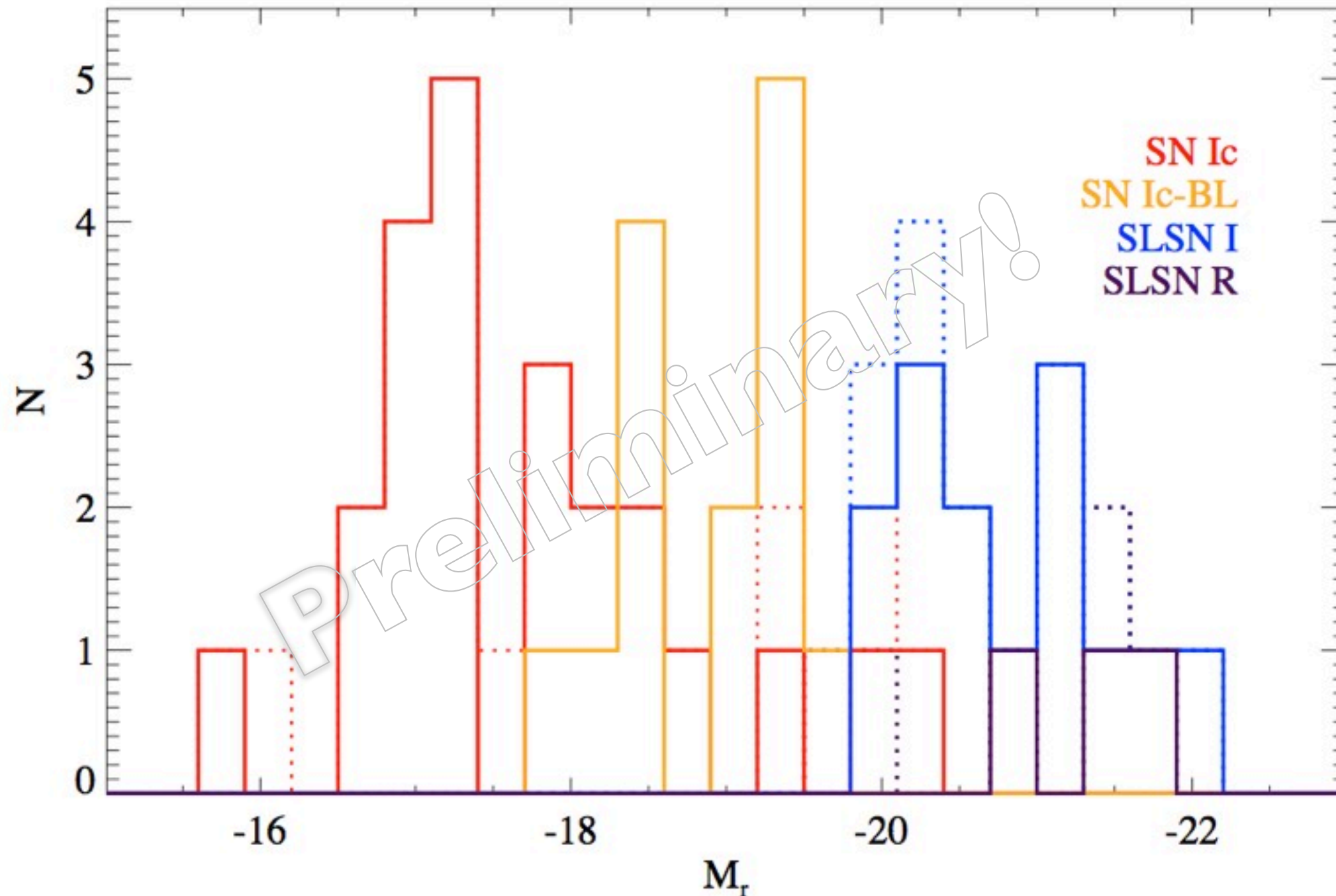
- SLSN-I hosts fainter than GRB hosts?
- Some have low star formation rates (not starbursts)

SLSN-I Light Curves

(De Cia et al. in prep)

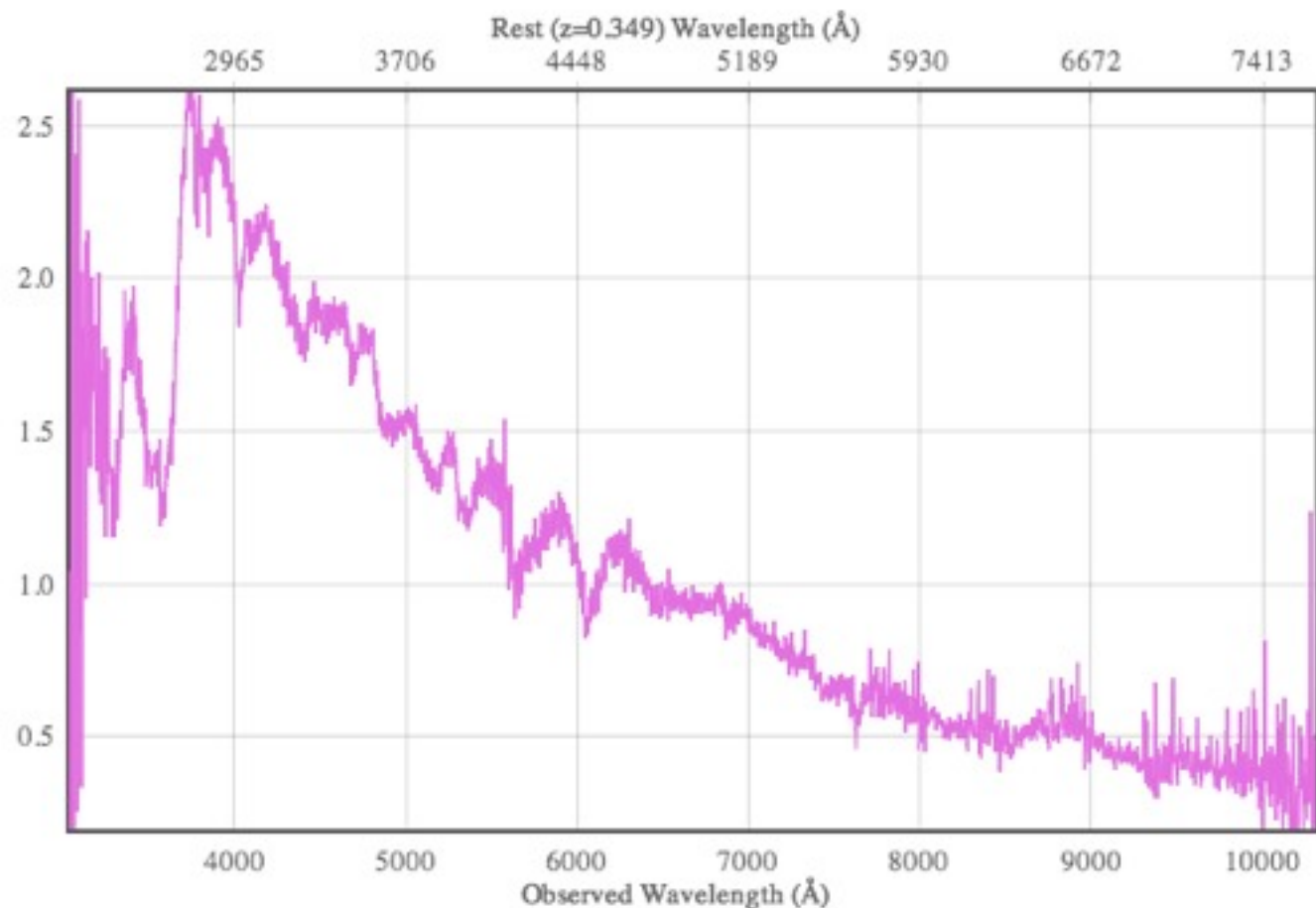


Peak Magnitude Distribution of H-Poor SNe (De Cia et al. in prep)



SLSN Spectra

(Quimby et al. in prep)

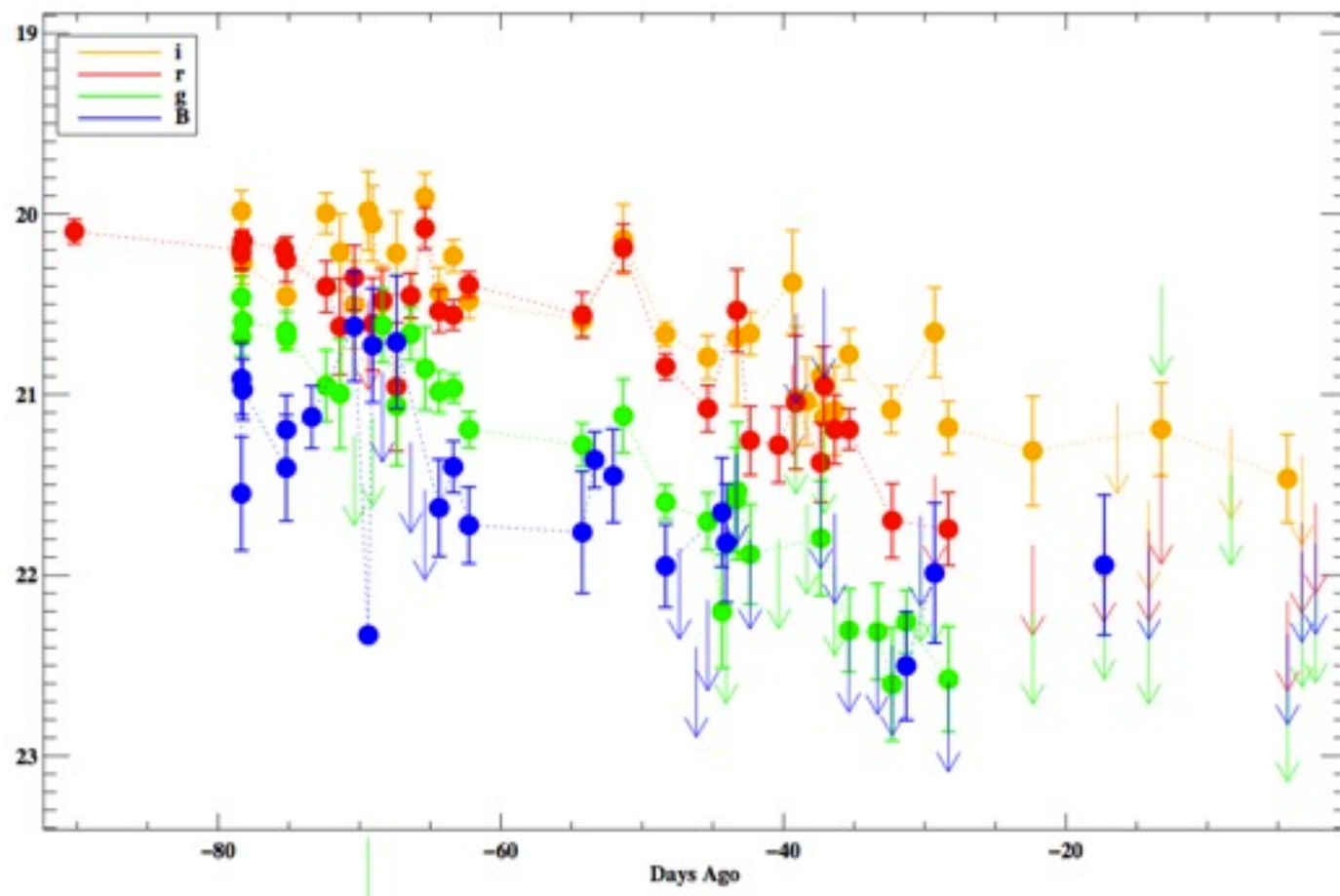
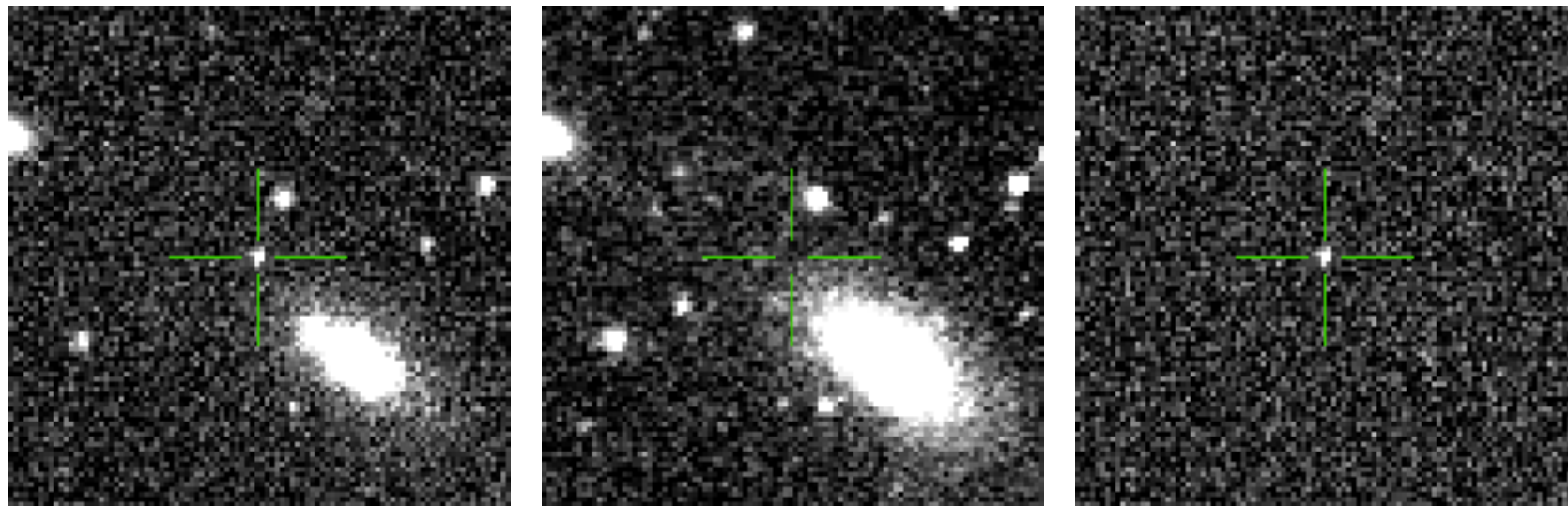


- >230 spectra of PTF SLSN-I and II (excluding iPTF discoveries)

iPTF SLSN

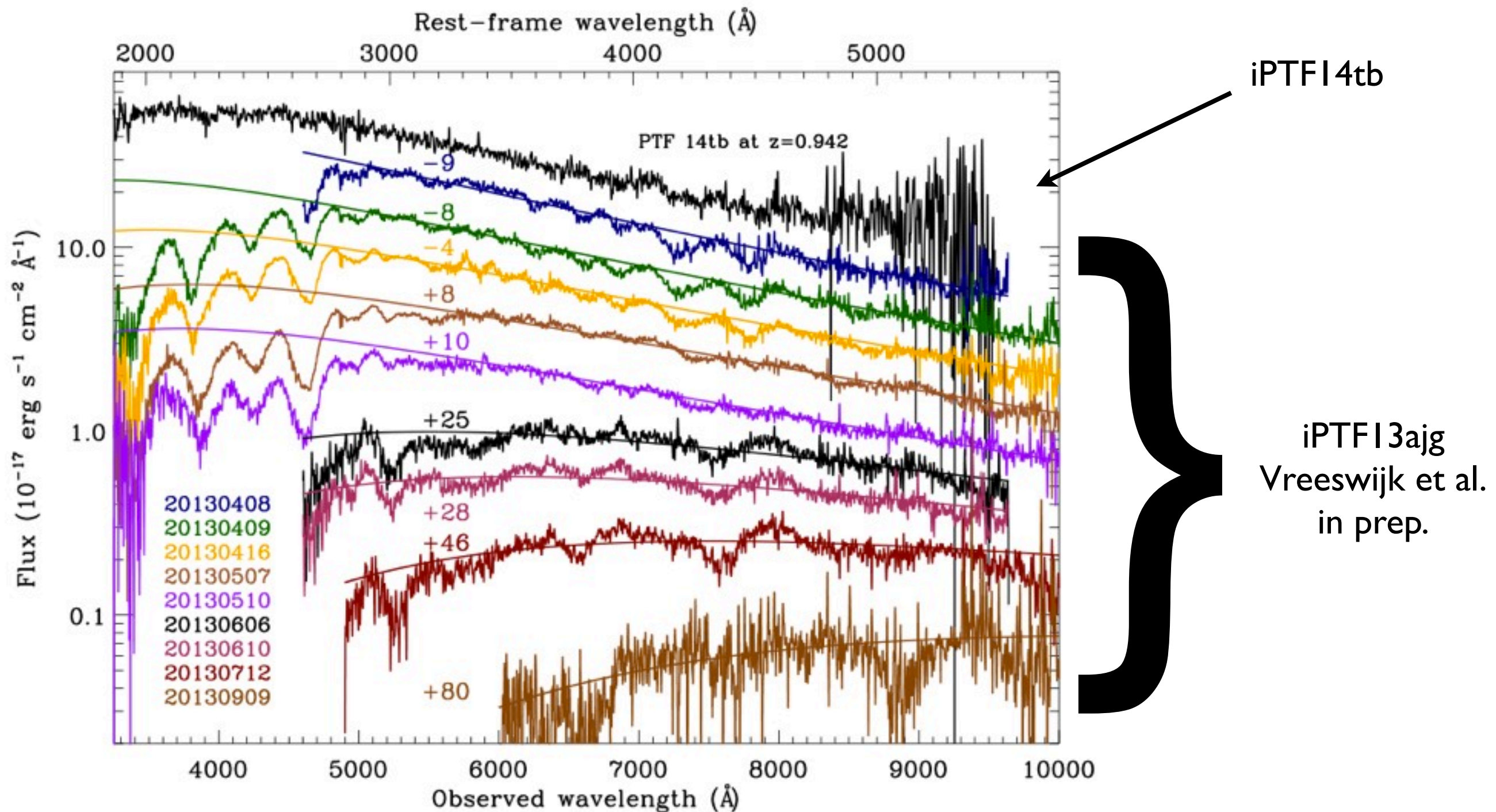
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New SLSN-I Champ: iPTF14tb

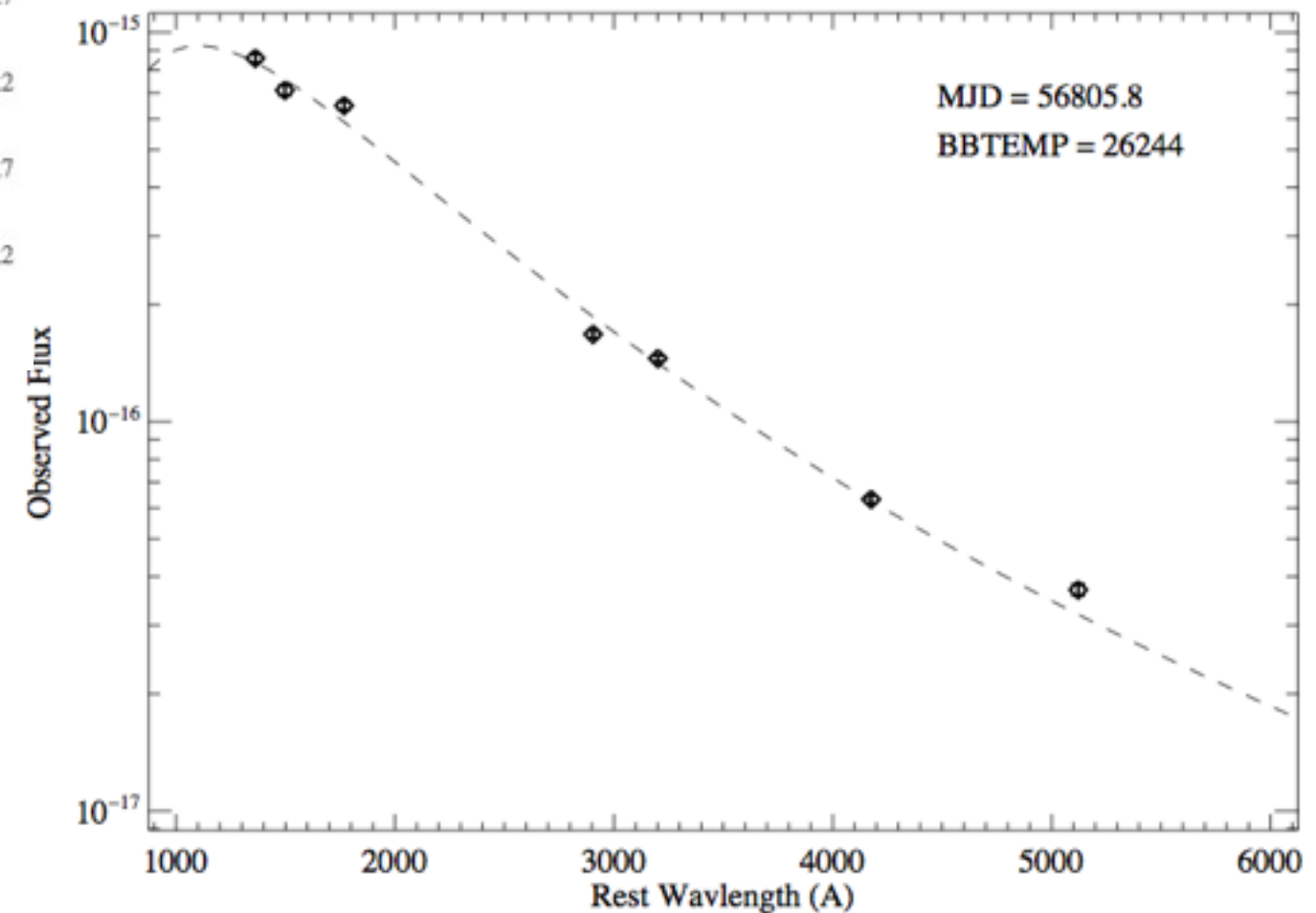
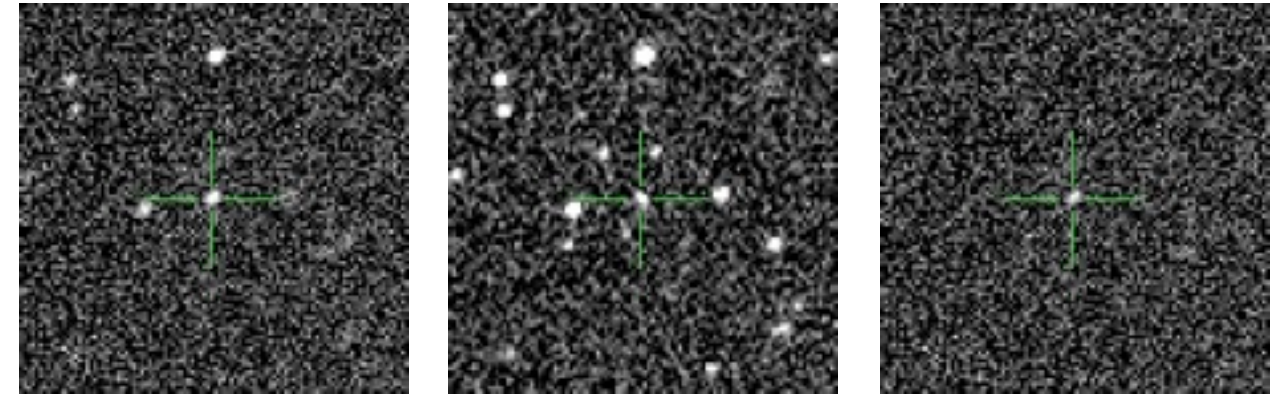
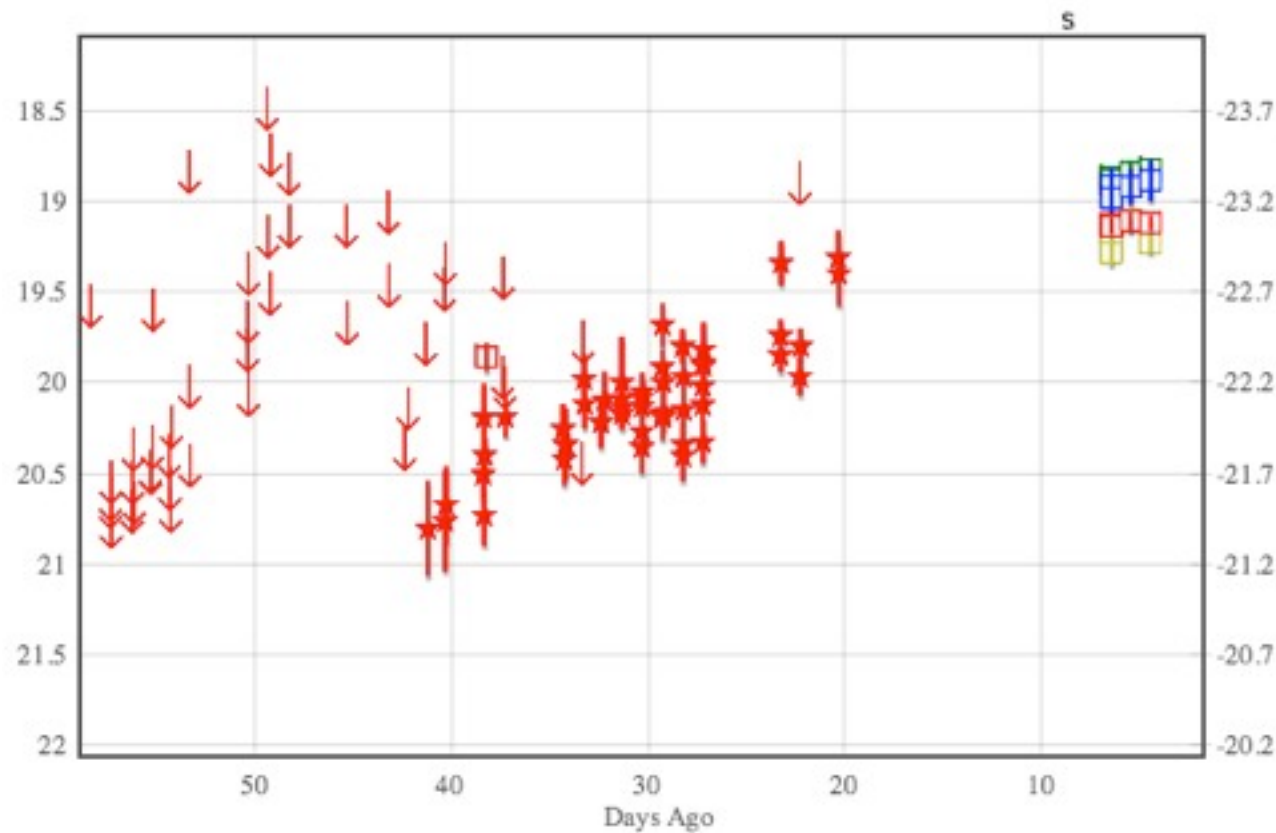


- $z=0.942$
- peak mag near -23
- behind galaxy cluster / filament

iPTF14tb Spectra



iPTF14aon: SLSN or Something New?



- $z=0.49$
- peak mag < -22.5
- No broad features yet