

Pulsational Pair Instability







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Possible mass loss



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Mass loss influences the life and fate of massive stars



Stellar Winds

Mauron & Josselin 11, Meynet et al. 14,

Smith 14, Renzo et al. 17

Binary Interactions

Kippenhahn & Weigert 67,

Podsiadlowski et al. 92, Götberg et al. 17, 18

Dynamical Instabilities

Smith 14, Rakavy & Shaviv 67,

Woosley 17, Fuller 17,

Marchant, Renzo et al. arXiv:1810.13412



Very roughly speaking

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For each massive non-merging ⇒ One SNII and one stripped SN (IIb/Ib/Ic) binary

Eldridge et al. 11, 18, Zapartas et al. (incl. Renzo, M.) 17b, Zapartas et al. (incl. Renzo, M.) 18a, 18b to be subm.







Evolution through PPI

Ejecta kinematics & CSM structure

PPI effects on BH binary orbits

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Radiation dominated: $P_{\rm tot} \simeq P_{\rm rad}$

 $M_{\rm He} \gtrsim 32 \, M_{\odot}$

Woosley 2017,

Marchant, Renzo et al. arXiv:1810.13412,

Renzo, Farmer et al., to be submitted

see also:

Barkat et al. 67,

Rakavy & Shaviv 67

Fraley 68

Woosley et al. 07













4b. PISN: complete disruption

4a. Pulse with mass ejection



















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How many pulses?

• as a function of He core mass



Number of pulses



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When do they pulsate?

• as a function of He core mass



Pulses timing







Pulses timing









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How much mass is ejected per pulse? How much mass is ejected in total?

• as a function of He core mass





Total mass lost



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How fast are the ejected shells?

as a function of He core mass



Center of mass velocity





Center of mass velocity







Can the mass shell collide?



Woosley et al 07, Chen et al. 14, Woosley 17, Renzo, Farmer et al., to be submitted



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PPI in a binary

Two PPI in a binary

$$\Delta \boldsymbol{e} = rac{\Delta M}{M_1 + M_2 - \Delta M}$$

Eccentricity distribution

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Spin down due to PPI ejecta

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Backup slides

Upper-limits in BH mass

CCSN rates accounting for binarity

SN type II rates accounting for binarity

