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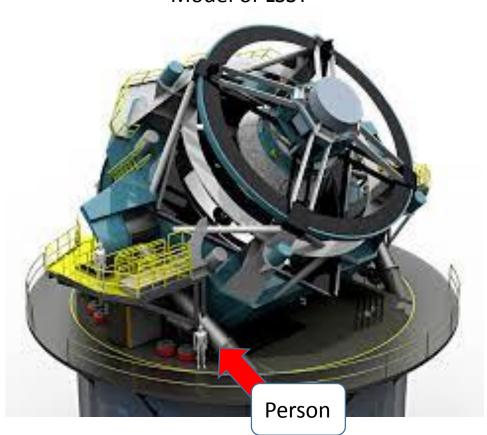
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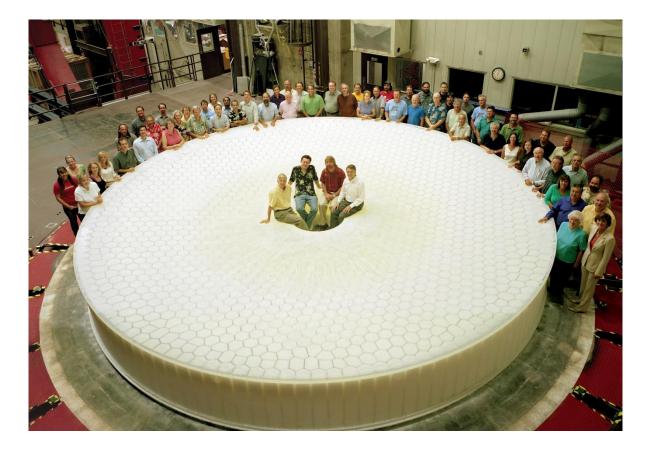
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# The Large Synoptic Survey Telescope (LSST): Observing Changes in Faint Objects

Model of LSST

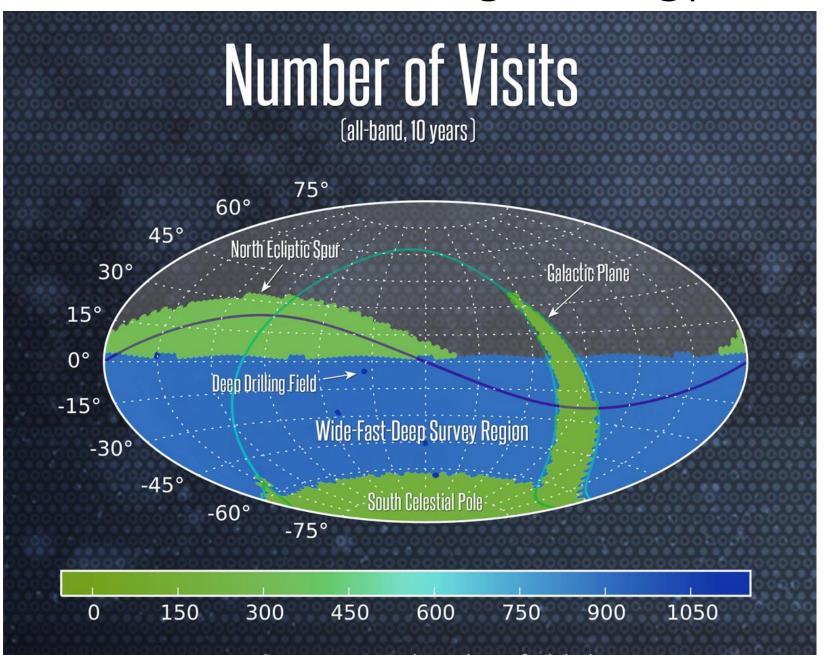


For Scale – the Size of the Mirror on LSST



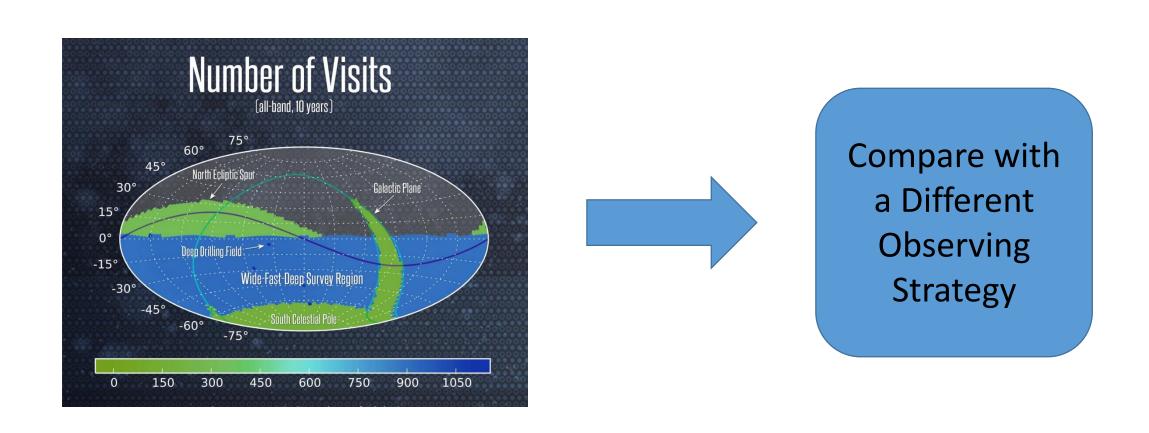
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## LSST's Observing Strategy

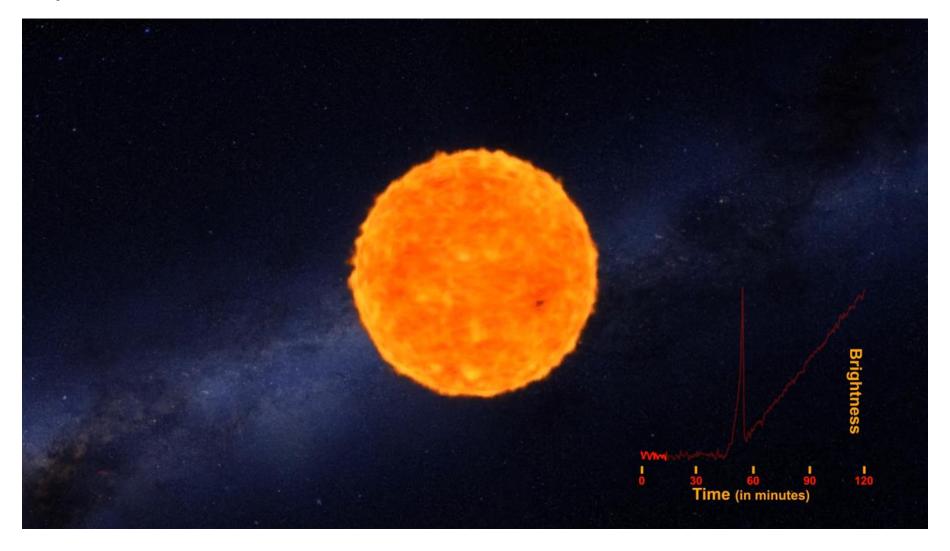


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### Find the Best Observing Strategy for Supernovae

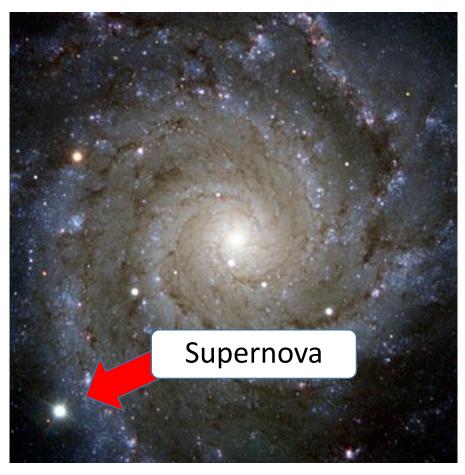


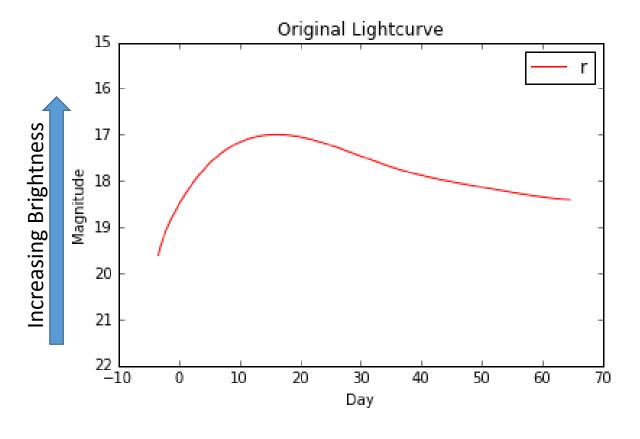
## Supernovae – the Death of Massive Stars



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## Lightcurves – Determining the Physics Behind Supernovae





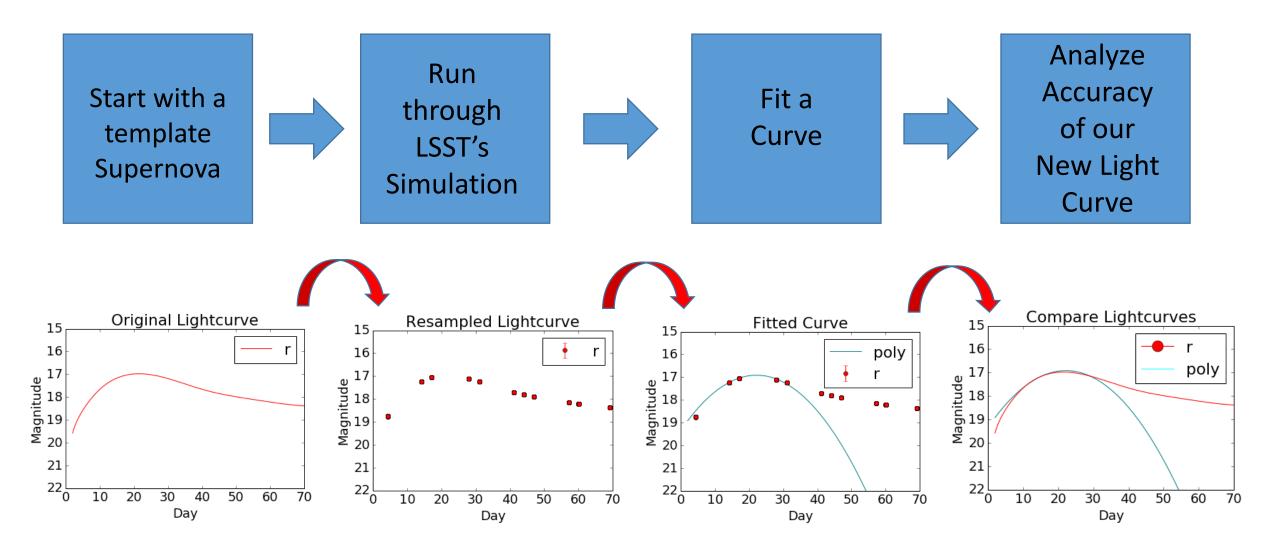
## Determining LSST's Ability to Observe Supernovae



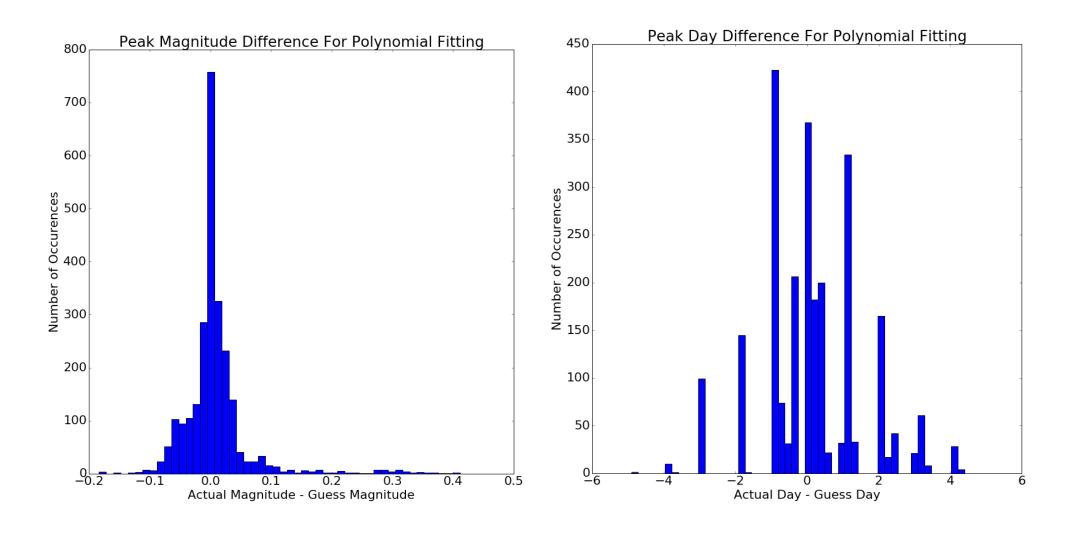
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#### Analyzing the Usability of the Telescope's Data



## Accuracy of Our Fitted Curves



## Comparing Observing Strategies

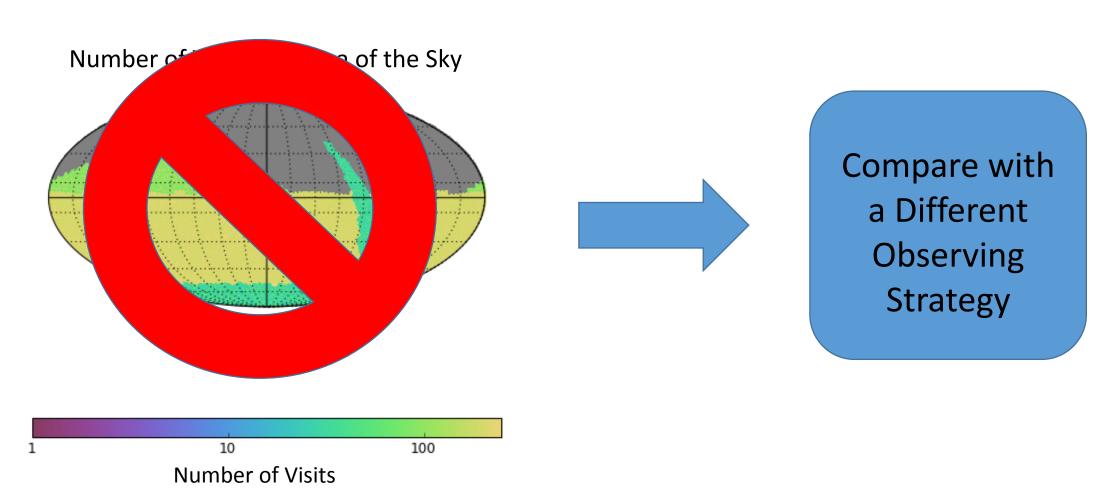
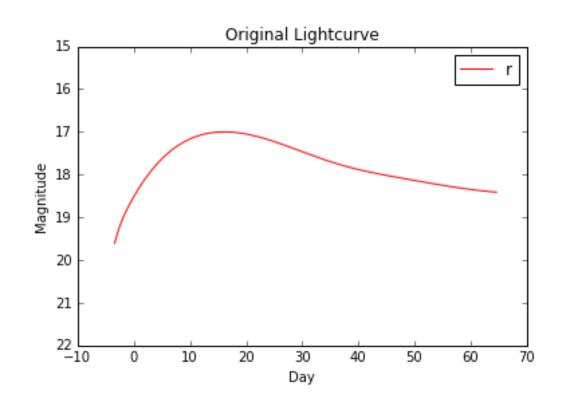
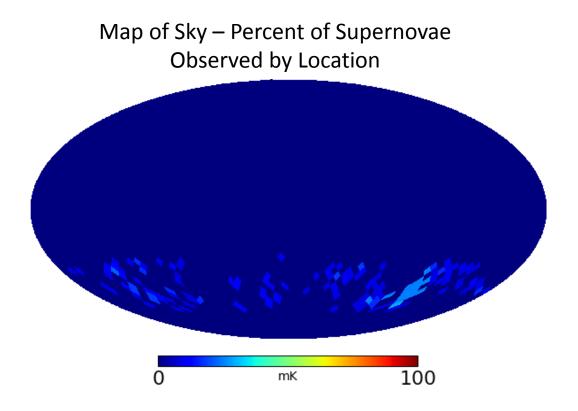


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#### Future Goals









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