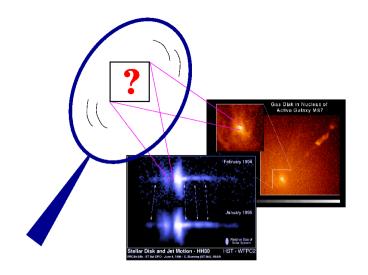


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# **Accretion history**

#### **Brief history of accretion disks (examples):**

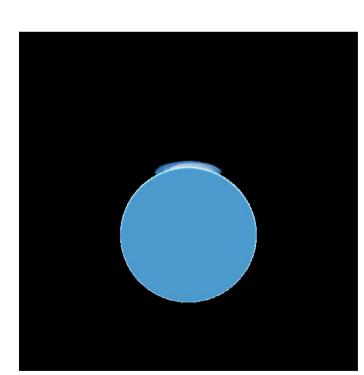
Disks commonly found in various astrophysical sources:

- -> YSO, AGN, m-quasars, pulsars, CV (white dwarfs), HMXB, LMXB,
- -> many of these disk systems have jets (but not all)
- -> all jet/outflow sources have disks

# Gas Disk in Nucleus of Active Galaxy M67 February 1994 January 1995 Relative State System Stellar Disk and Jet Motion - HH30 PROCE-2dt - ST 5t 00° - Aues 6. 1993 - 6. Burrows (67 5d), MASA

#### **Disk basics:**

- -> mass "infall" under angular momentum conservation
- -> almost Keplerian rotation, almost axisymmetry
- -> drift of matter in (-r)-direction if angular momentum loss in outward direction (accretion)
- -> angular momentum removal by viscosity / turbulence / disk wind / magnetic field
- -> heating / luminosity by viscos friction
- -> disk temperature profile / disk spectral energy distribution

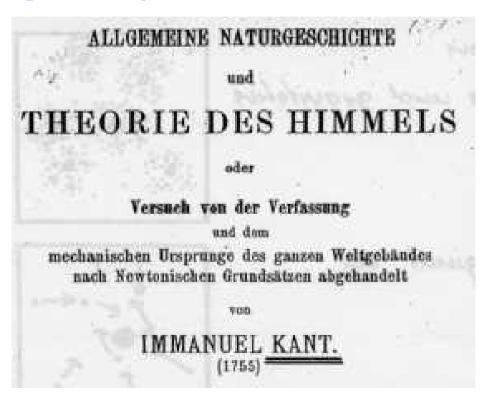


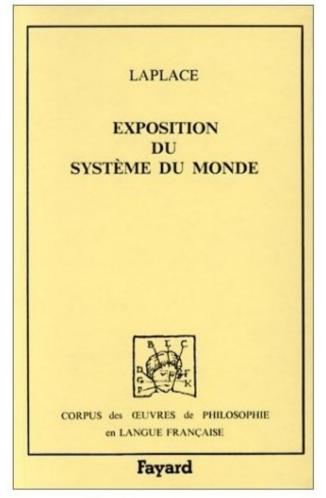
# **Accretion history**

#### **Example history of accretion disks:**

# **Kant** (1755):

- "Urnebel", nebula in stochastic motion, flatened by rotation
- collisions -> energy loss
  - -> central condensation (Sun)
- planets originate from local concentrations





# Laplace (1799):

- planet formation from hydrodynamic continuum
- rings expelled from solar surface, rings contracts to spherical bullets
- no differential rotation, no condensations

# **Accretion history**

# **Example history of accretion disks:**

Kant (1755): Erstes Hauptstück

Von dem Ursprunge des planetischen Weltbaues überhaupt und den Ursachen ihrer Bewegungen ...

Wenn demnach ein Punkt in einem sehr grossen Raume befindlich ist, wo die Anziehung der daselbst befindlichen Elemente stärker als allenthalben um sich wirkt: so wird der in dem ganzen Umfange ausgebreitete Grundstoff elementarischer Partikeln sich zu diesem hinsenken.

Die erste Wirkung dieser allgemeinen Senkung ist die Bildung eines Körpers ... Wenn die Masse dieses Centralkörpers so weit angewachsen ist, dass die Geschwindigkeit, womit er die Theilchen von grossen Entfernungen zu sich zieht, durch die schwachen Grade der Zurückstossung, womit selbige einander hindern, seitwärts gebeugt, in Seitenbewegungen ausschlägt, die den Centralkörper vermittelst der Centerfliehkraft in einem Kreise zu umfassen im Stande sind: so erzeugen sich grosse Wirbel von Theilchen, deren jedes für sich krumme Linien durch die Zusammensetzung der anziehenden und der seitwärtsgelenkten Umwendungskraft beschreibt; .... Indessensind diese auf mancherlei Art unter einander streitende Bewegungen natürlicher Weise bestrebt, einander zur Gleichheit zu bringen, .... Dieses geschieht erstlich, indem die Theilchen eines des andern Bewegung so lange einschränken, bis alle nach einer Richtung forgehen; zweitens, dass die Partikeln ihre Verticalbewegung, vermittelst der sie sich dem Centro der Attraction nähern, so lange einschränken, bis sie alle horizontal, d. i. in parallel laufenden Zirkeln um die Sonne als ihren Mittelpunkt bewegt, einander nicht mehr durchkruezen und durch die Gleichheit der Schwungskraft mit der senkenden sich in freien Zirkelläufen in der Höhe, da sie schweben, immer erhalten .... In diesem Zustande, da alle Theilchen nach einer Richtung und in parallellaufenden Kreisen, nämlich in freien Zirkelbewegungen, durch die erlangte Schwungskräfte um den Centralkörper laufen, ist der Streit under der Zusammenlauf der Elemente gehoben, und alles ist in dem Zustande der kleinsten Wechselwirkung. Dieses ist die natürliche Folge, darein sich allemal eine Materie, die instreitenden Bewegungen begriffen ist, versetzt.

Dieser Körper in dem Mittelpunkte der Attraction, der diesem zu zufolge das Hauptstück des planetischen Gebäudes durch die Menge seiner versammelten Materie geworden ist, ist die Sonne, ob sie gleich diejenige flammende Gluth alsdann noch nicht hat, die nach völlig vollendeter Bildung auf ihrer Oberfläche hervor bricht.

# **Accretion history**

#### **Example history of accretion disks:**

von Weizsäcker (1943, 1948):

- formation of Sun & planets from gaseous disk
- turbulent disk. angular momentum transport outwards

Lynden-Bell, Pringle, Rees (1969, 1972, 1974):

accretion disks in AGN & quasars, compact X-ray sources

Shakura & Sunyaev (1973):

- structure, luminosity, temperature profile of disks
- invention of turbulent viscosity parametrisation

Ichimaru (1977): sub-Eddington and very low opacity disk (~ADAF)

Paczynsky & Wiita (1980): thick disk araound black holes

Abramowicz et al. (1988): slim disks

Beckwith et al. (1990): survey (1.3mm) of TT disks --> masses, temperature profiles

Balbus & Hawley (1991): magneto-rotational instability (MRI) causes disk turbulence

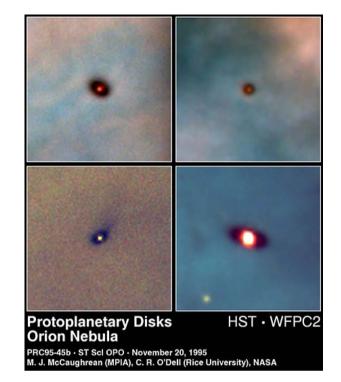
Narayan & Yi (1994, 1995): advection dominated accreation disks (ADAFs)

O'Dell, McCaughrean et al. (1993, 1996): direct imaging of disks around young stars

Miyoshi et al. (1995): evidence for a BH in jet source NGC 4258, Kepler disk, 3.6<sup>7</sup> Mo BH

Literature: Frank, King, Raine (2002). Accretion power in astrophysics

Pringle (1981), Accretion discs in astrophysics, ARA&A 19,137



# Spherical accretion

Simplest case of accretion: Free fall: only gravity

Radiation of source: Eddington limit: gravity balanced by radiation pressure

-> photon scattered by free electrons (Thompson scattering):  $\frac{d\sigma_T}{d\Omega} = r_e^2 \sin^2 \theta$ 

$$\sigma_T = \frac{8\pi}{3}r_e^2 = 6.65 \times 10^{-25} \text{cm}^2$$
  $r_e \equiv \left(\frac{e^2}{m_e c^2}\right) = 2.8 \times 10^{-13} \text{cm}^2$ 

- -> momentum of photon with energy E is p = E/c; star with luminosity L has photon momentum flux  $\frac{dp}{dtdA} = \frac{L}{4\pi cr^2}$ .
- -> momentum transfer rate on electron by phtoton is  $\frac{dp}{dt} = \sigma_T \frac{dp}{dt dA} = \sigma_t \frac{L}{4\pi cr^2}$ .
- $\rightarrow \sigma_t \frac{L}{4\pi c r^2} \le \frac{GM m_p}{r^2}$  (radiation force < gravitational force)
- -> limiting luminosity for accretion  $L \leq \frac{4\pi G m_p c}{\sigma_T} M \equiv L_{edd}$ .

Eddington luminosity: 
$$L_{edd} = 1.2 \times 10^{38} \left(\frac{M}{M_{\odot}}\right)$$
 erg/sec,

# Spherical accretion

**Bondi accretion:** (Bondi 1952, Hoyle & Lyttleton 1939, Bondi & Hoyle 1944)

Accretion considering gravity and gas pressure, no rotation (see also Parker wind):

- -> stationary HD equations -> mass conservation -> accretion rate:  $\dot{M} = 4\pi r^2 \rho v$ 
  - stationary equation of motion:  $v(dv/dr) = -(1/\rho)(dp/dr) GM/r^2$
  - -> integration of e. o. m. (energy conservation):  $\frac{v^2}{2} + \int \frac{dp'}{\rho(p')} \frac{GM}{r} = const \equiv E$
  - -> with polytropic gas law  $p=K\rho^{\gamma}$  and sound speed  $a^2\equiv dp/d\rho=\gamma p/\rho$

Bernoulli equation: (wind equation, energy equation) 
$$\frac{v^2}{2} + \frac{1}{\gamma - 1}a^2 - \frac{GM}{r} = E = \frac{1}{\gamma - 1}a_\infty^2$$

-> Bondi 1952: different mass fluxes result in different solution branches of Bernoulli eq. Interpretation: Infall solution: starts with low speed at large radii, accelerates to high velocity at small radii (free fall for r -> 0)

Outflow solution: starts with low speed at small radii

# Spherical accretion

**Bondi accretion:** (Bondi 1952, Hoyle & Lyttleton 1939, Bondi & Hoyle 1944)

-> re-arrange energy equation and equation of motion:

$$\rho'/\rho + v'/v + 2/r = 0,$$
  $vv' + a_s^2 \rho'/\rho + GM/r^2 = 0$ 

gives derivatives:  $v' = D_1/D$ ,  $\rho' = -D_2/D$  with

$$D_1 = (2a^2/r - GM/r^2)/\rho$$
,  $D_2 = (2v^2/r - GM/r^2)/v$ ,  $D = (v^2 - a_s^2)/\rho v$ 

Note: potential singularities in these equations (the derivatives) at r = rs rs is "critical point" -> regular condition for solution: D1 = D2 = D = 0 at rs

-> 
$$v_s^2 = a_s^2 = GM/2r_s$$
 and  $v_s^2 = a_s^2 = 2a_\infty^2/(5-3\gamma)$ ,

at  $r_s = ((5-3\gamma)/4)GM/a_\infty^2$  -> critical point is sonic point

-> Mass loss rate from  $\rho = \rho_{\infty} (a/a_{\infty})^{2/(\gamma-1)}$ 

-> 
$$\dot{M}=4\pi\rho_{\infty}v_sr_s^2(a/a_{\infty})^{2/(\gamma-1)}=4\pi\lambda_s(GM/a_{\infty}^2)^2\rho_{\infty}a_{\infty}$$
 -> solve for Eigenwert  $\lambda$ 

-> 
$$\lambda_s = 0.25$$
 for  $\gamma = 5/3$ 

Spherical accretion

# **Bondi accretion:**

(Bondi 1952, Fig.2.)

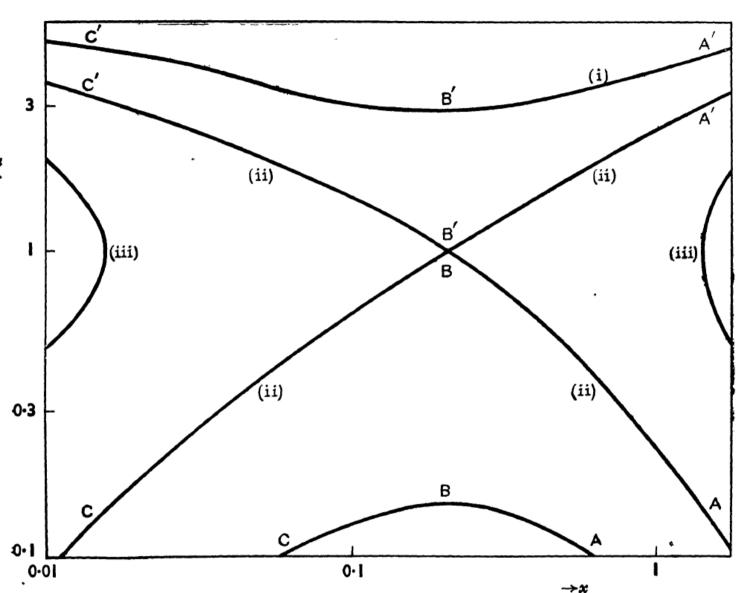
# Velocity u(x),

normalised to sound speed;

Radius  $x = r / r_B$   $r_B = GM / a^2_infty$ (Bondi radius)

$$r_s = \frac{1}{2} r B$$

Note :  $\gamma = 7/5$ 



# -> 3 solution branches:

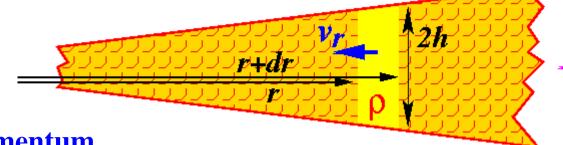
one is "physical" ( ie. regular )

accretion solution with critical accretion rate

Fig. 2.—u as function of x for 
$$\gamma = \frac{7}{4}$$
.

- (i)  $\lambda = \frac{1}{4}\lambda_c$ ;
- (ii)  $\lambda = \lambda_c$
- (iii) λ=4λ<sub>ε</sub>,

# Disk accretion



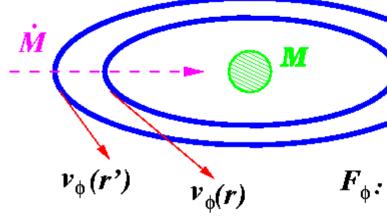
- -> take into account angular momentum
  - -> balance between gravity and centrifugal forces
    - -> stable Keplerian orbits -> no accretion
- -> collision of infalling gas -> exchange of angular momentum
  - -> gas with same specific angular momentum orbits at same radius

$$\tilde{l} = \tilde{l}(r) = \sqrt{GMr}$$

- -> Keplerian orbits
- -> for accretion: angular momentum transfer within the disk
  - -> e.g. by collisions of disk material -> "friction"
  - -> if outward loss of angular momentum
    - -> mass accretion:  $M=d(\rho V)/dt)=\overline{\rho}Adr/dt=2\pi rh\overline{\rho}v_r$  (mean density, disk height, surface density ...)
  - -> necessary angular momentum loss rate:  $\dot{J} \simeq \dot{M} \tilde{l}(r_D) = \dot{M} \sqrt{GMr_D}$  (outer disk radius rD)
    - -> for "Keplerian disk":  $v_\phi = r\Omega \simeq \sqrt{GM/r} >> v_r$

## **Disk accretion**

- -> friction force between two orbiting rings of matter:
  - -> stress:  $|\mathbf{F}_{\phi}| = -t_{r\phi}$



 $F_{\phi}$ : stress = force / area

friction

#### differential rotation

-> viscous stress tensor: transport of i-momentum in j-direction:

$$t_{ij} = \rho \nu \left( \partial_{x_j} v_i + \partial_{x_i} v_j - (2/3)(\nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}) \delta_{ij} \right)$$

- -> kinematic viscosity coefficient  $\mathbf{v}$  (model-dependent) definition of visocity  $\mathbf{v}$  by stress (=force/area) =  $\mathbf{F}/\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{v} \, \rho \, \mathbf{V} \, / \, \mathbf{L} \, [\mathbf{v}] : \mathbf{cm}^2 \, \mathbf{s}^{-1}$
- -> stress tensor component for angular momentum exchange:

$$t_{r\phi} = \rho \nu \left( \partial_r v_\phi - v_\phi / r \right) = \rho \nu r \partial_r \Omega(r)$$

-> Keplerian disk:  $t_{r\phi}=-(3/2)\rho\nu\Omega=-(3/2)\rho\nu\sqrt{GM/r^3}$ 

-> torque between two disk rings:  $\mathcal{G}=\int rd\phi\int rt_{r\phi}dz=2\pi r^3\rho
u\Sigma\partial_r\Omega$ 

angular momentum transport outwards if  $\partial_r \Omega < 0: \to \mathcal{G} < 0$ 

Assumption: "disk height"

$$h(r) << r$$
 ( thin disk h/r < 0.1)

-> average over vertical disk profile:

surface density 
$$\Sigma \equiv \int \rho(r,z)dz$$
 "disk height"  $h=\Sigma/2\overline{\rho}$ 

- -> vertical gravitational force:  $F_{G,z} = m_p G M z / r^3$ 
  - -> particle with  $v=c_s$  may reach disk surface  $h\simeq rc_s/v_K$
- $\rightarrow h/r \simeq c_s/v_K$
- -> condition for thin disk is satisfied if thermal energy < potential energy

$$k_BT \ll m_pGM/r$$

- -> OK for "cool disks"
  - -> thin disks require efficient radiative cooling

# Thin disks

Time evolution of axisymmetric thin accretion disks:

-> system of HD equations de-couples (vz = 0):

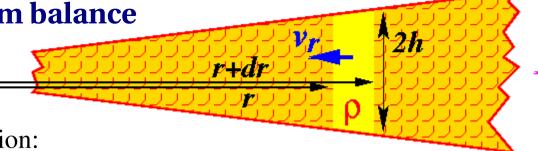
mass conservation: 
$$\partial_t \rho + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{0}$$
 -->  $\partial_t \Sigma + (1/r) \partial_r (r \Sigma v_r) = 0$ 

momentum equation: 
$$\rho \left( \partial_t \mathbf{v} + (\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{v} \right) + \nabla P + \rho \nabla \Phi = \nabla \cdot \mathsf{T}$$

- -> angular momentum concervation:  $r\partial_t(r^2\Sigma\Omega) + \partial_r(r^3\Sigma\Omega v_r) = (1/2\pi)\partial_r\mathcal{G}$
- -> accretion velocity: depends on shear & viscosity:  $v_r = \frac{\partial_r(r^3\nu\Sigma\partial_r\Omega)}{r\Sigma\partial_r(r^2\Omega)}$
- -> surface density, time evolution:  $\partial_t \Sigma = -\frac{1}{r} \partial_r \left( \frac{\partial_r (r^3 \nu \Sigma \partial_r \Omega)}{\partial_r (r^2 \Omega)} \right)$
- -> needed is **model for viscosity:** molecular viscosity much too low !!

-> anomalous viscosity (turbulence)

# Thin disks – angular momentum balance



Stationary axisymmetric thin disks:

-> Accretion rate from mass conservation:

$$(\dot{M} = \frac{dM}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt}(\rho V) = \overline{\rho} \frac{dV}{dt} = \overline{\rho} A \frac{dr}{dt} = -2\pi r 2h \overline{\rho} v_r = -2\pi r \Sigma v_r)$$

$$\frac{\partial \Sigma}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r \Sigma v_r) = 0$$
  $\rightarrow$   $\dot{M} = -2\pi r \Sigma v_r = \text{constant}$ 

- $\frac{\partial \Sigma}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} (r \Sigma v_r) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \dot{M} = -2\pi r \Sigma v_r = \text{constant}$  -> Integrate stationary angular momentum conservation ->  $\frac{\dot{M}\Omega}{2\pi} + \frac{C}{r^2} = -\int t_{r\phi} dz$ 
  - -> integration constant  $C=-r_i^2\Omega(r_i)\dot{M}/2\pi$  defined at radius  $r_i$  with  $t_{r\phi}(r_i)=0$

e.g. co-rotation radius / stellar magnetosphere; stellar radius; marginally stable orbit / BH

-> interpretation: C is angular momentum flux and conserved quantity:

$$\frac{\dot{M}\Omega}{2\pi}R(r) = -\int t_{r\phi}dz \qquad R(r) \equiv 1 - \left(\frac{r_i}{r}\right)^2 \frac{\Omega(r_i)}{\Omega(r)}$$

- -> for Keplerian disk:  $R(r) = 1 \sqrt{r_i/r}$
- -> radial profiles from turbulence model; M, dM/dt uniquely define stresses required

# Thin disks - energy balance

M

Stationary axisymmetric thin disks:



accretion: energy gain from potential energy

- -> orbital rotational energy
- -> angular momentum transport outwards
- -> heating due to viscous friction
- -> viscous shear locally generates heat Q with rate:

$$\dot{Q} \equiv \rho T \dot{s} = \nu \Sigma \left( r \frac{d\Omega}{dr} \right)^2 = \frac{\dot{M}\Omega^2}{2\pi} \left| \frac{d \ln \Omega}{d \ln r} \right| \left( 1 - \left( \frac{r_i}{r} \right)^2 \frac{\Omega(r_i)}{\Omega(r)} \right)$$

-> Keplerian disk: 
$$\dot{Q} = \frac{3}{4\pi} \frac{GMM}{r^3} \left(1 - \sqrt{\frac{r_i}{r}}\right)$$

- -> if heat is radiated away immediately in vertical direction:
  - -> total disk luminosity by integrating from r = infinity to  $r = r_i$

$$L_{tot} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{GMM}{r_i}$$

(factor ½ is for non-relativistic disks)

p+dr

# Thin disks – disk spectra

Stationary axisymmetric thin accretion disks: Spectral energy distribution

Spectral energy distribution

-> assumption LTE -> disk rings emit as black body  $Q^- = \sigma T_s(R)^4$ 

-> with 
$$\dot{Q}^+=\dot{Q}^-$$
:  $T_s=\left(\frac{3GM\dot{M}}{8\pi r^3\sigma}\left(1-\sqrt{r_i/r}\right)\right)^{1/4}\sim r^{-3/4}$ 

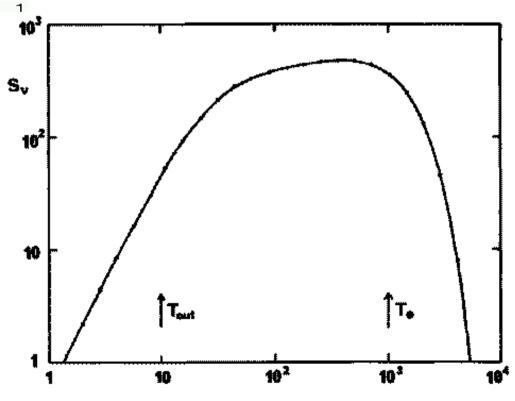
-> integration of local blackbody

$$B_
u(T_s(r)) \sim 
u^3 \left( \exp(h
u/kT_s(r)) - 1 
ight)^{-1}$$
 to  $^3$ 

-> disk spectrum:

$$S_{\nu} \sim \int_{r_i}^{r_{out}} B_{\nu}(T_s(r)) 2\pi r \, dr$$

Sv (T(r)), normalized units (Pringle 1981)



# Thin disks - α-parametrisation

Shakura Sunyaev (1973): a-parametrisation for viscosity (3400 citations as of Nov23, 2006) (4124 citations as of Nov11, 2008)

- -> molecular viscosity too low: effective viscosity v = vl l = 10 cm (mean free path),  $v = v_{therm}$ 
  - -> viscous accretion time scale  $\tau \sim r^2/\nu \sim 10^{15} \, \mathrm{yrs}$
- -> anomalous viscosity is turbulent viscosity: friction of turbulent cells
  - -> typical length scale (size of cells): 1 < h (= disk heigth)
  - -> typical velocity scale : V < Cs (= sound speed)

$$\rightarrow \nu = \alpha c_s h$$

- parameter α < 1 may be adjusted to different disk systems; "observational parameter"</li>
   may be numerically calculated by MHD simulations (Brandenburg et al.)
  - ->  $0.0001 < \alpha < 1$ ; some setups results in negative  $\alpha$
- -> Note: so far physics of viscosity not defined, just hidden in  $\alpha$
- -> extremely successful "trick": observational proof by some of the disk systems ("hot disks" in CVs), not very good fit for protostellar disks (temperature profiles) -> "flared disks"

# Thin disks - $\alpha$ -parametrisation

Shakura & Sunyaev (1973): α-parametrisation for viscosity

-> application: solve HD equations for thin disk structure:

$$\begin{split} \Sigma &= \int \rho dz \simeq 2h\rho, & \dot{M} = 2\pi r \Sigma v_r, & (\dot{M}\Omega/2\pi)R(r) = -\int t_{r\phi}dz \\ L_{tot} &= \frac{1}{2}\frac{GM\dot{M}}{r_i}, & h = c_s/\Omega, & f_\phi = \alpha P, & \kappa^{-1}(\rho,T) \simeq \kappa_{scat}^{-1} + \kappa_{abs}^{-1} \\ P(\rho,T) &= 2\rho k_B T/m_p + (1/3)aT^4, & F(r) \simeq acT^4/\kappa \Sigma \end{split}$$

-> nine equations for nine variables:

$$\rho(r), h(r), \Sigma(r), v_r(r), P(r), T(r), f_{\phi}(r), \kappa(r), F(r)$$

-> opacities & pressure contribution -> three regions of solutions:

a) inner region: radiation pressure; electron scattering

b) intermediate region: gas pressure; electron scattering

c) outer region: gas pressure; free-free absorption

plus d) cooler outer regions: dust opacities, atomic/molecular opacities

# Thin disks - α-parametrisation

# Shakura & Sunyaev (1973): α-parametrisation

-> power law profiles for three regions (note: normalization is for black holes)

a) 
$$P_r \gg P_g$$
,  $\sigma_T \gg \sigma_{\rm ff}$ 

$$z_0[\text{cm}] = \frac{3}{8\pi} \frac{\sigma_T}{c} \dot{M} (1 - r^{-1/2}) = 3.2 \cdot 10^6 \text{ mm } (1 - z^{-1/2})$$

$$u_0 \left[ \frac{g}{\text{cm}^2} \right] = \frac{64\pi}{9\alpha} \frac{c^2}{\sigma^2} \frac{1}{\omega \dot{M} (1 - r^{-1/2})}$$
$$= 4.6\alpha^{-1} \dot{m}^{-1} r^{3/2} (1 - r^{-1/2})^{-1},$$

$$\varepsilon \left[ \frac{\text{erg}}{\text{cm}^3} \right] = 2 \frac{c}{\sigma} \omega = 2.1 \cdot 10^{15} \alpha^{-1} m^{-1} r^{-3/2},$$

$$n[\text{cm}^{-3}] = \frac{u_0}{2m_p z_0}$$
$$= 4.3 \cdot 10^{17} \alpha^{-1} \dot{m}^{-2} m^{-1} r^{3/2} (1 - r^{-1/2})^{-2}$$

$$v_r \left[ \frac{\mathrm{cm}}{\mathrm{s}} \right] = \frac{M}{2\pi u_0 R}$$

$$=7.7\cdot10^{10}\alpha\dot{m}^2r^{-5/2}(1-r^{-1/2})$$

$$H[Gauss] \le \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{3}} \alpha \varepsilon = 10^8 m^{-1/2} r^{-3/4}$$
.

b) 
$$P_{g} \gg P_{r}$$
,  $\sigma_{T} \gg \sigma_{ff}$   
 $u_{0} = 1.7 \cdot 10^{5} \alpha^{-4/5} \dot{m}^{3/5} m^{1/5} r^{-3/5} (1 - r^{-1/2})^{3/5}$   
 $T = 3.1 \cdot 10^{8} \alpha^{-1/5} \dot{m}^{2/5} m^{-1/5} r^{-9/10} (1 - r^{-1/2})^{2/5}$   
 $z_{0} = 1.2 \cdot 10^{4} \alpha^{-1/10} \dot{m}^{1/5} m^{9/10} r^{21/20} (1 - r^{-1/2})^{1/5}$  (2.16)  $n = 4.2 \cdot 10^{24} \alpha^{-7/10} \dot{m}^{2/5} m^{-7/10} r^{-33/20} (1 - r^{-1/2})^{2/5}$   
 $\tau^{*} = \sqrt{\sigma_{ff} \sigma_{T}} u_{0} = 10^{2} \alpha^{-4/5} \dot{m}^{9/10} m^{1/5} r^{3/20} (1 - r^{-1/2})^{9/10}$   
 $v_{r} = 2 \cdot 10^{6} \alpha^{4/5} \dot{m}^{2/5} m^{-1/5} r^{-2/5} (1 - r^{-1/2})^{-3/5}$   
 $H \leq 1.5 \cdot 10^{9} \alpha^{1/20} \dot{m}^{2/5} m^{-9/20} r^{-51/40} (1 - r^{-1/2})^{2/5}$ .

c) 
$$P_r \leqslant P_g$$
,  $\sigma_{ff} \gg \sigma_T$   
 $u_0 = 6.1 \cdot 10^5 \alpha^{-4/5} \dot{m}^{7/10} m^{1/5} r^{-3/4} (1 - r^{-1/2})^{7/10}$   
 $T = 8.6 \cdot 10^7 \alpha^{-1/5} \dot{m}^{3/10} m^{-1/5} r^{-3/4} (1 - z^{-1/2})^{3/10}$   
 $z_0 = 6.1 \cdot 10^3 \alpha^{-1/10} \dot{m}^{3/20} m^{9/10} r^{9/8} (1 - r^{-1/2})^{3/20}$  (2.1)  $n = 3 \cdot 10^{25} \alpha^{-7/10} \dot{m}^{11/20} m^{-7/10} r^{-15/8} (1 - r^{-1/2})^{11/20}$   
 $\tau = \sigma_{ff} u_0 = 3.4 \cdot 10^2 \alpha^{-4/5} \dot{m}^{1/5} m^{1/5} (1 - r^{-1/2})^{1/5}$   
 $v_r = 5.8 \cdot 10^5 \alpha^{4/5} \dot{m}^{3/10} m^{-1/5} r^{-1/4} (1 - r^{-1/2})^{-7/10}$   
 $H \lesssim 2.1 \cdot 10^9 \alpha^{1/20} \dot{m}^{17/40} m^{-9/20} r^{-21/16} (1 - r^{-1/2})^{17/40}$ 

# Thin disks - α-parametrisation

# Shakura & Sunyaev (1973): α-parametrisation

- -> examples: SS disks of different sources
- 1) particle density of circumstellar & circumplanetary disks

$$n(r) = 1.6 \times 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-3} \alpha^{-7/10} \left( \frac{\dot{M}}{6 \times 10^{-5} M_{\text{J}} \text{ yr}^{-1}} \right)^{11/20}$$

$$disks \times \left( \frac{M}{M_{\text{J}}} \right)^{5/8} \left( \frac{r}{15 R_{\text{J}}} \right)^{-15/8}$$

$$= 2.8 \times 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-3} \alpha^{-7/10} \left( \frac{\dot{M}}{1.2 \times 10^{-7} M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}} \right)^{11/20}$$

$$\times \left( \frac{M}{M} \right)^{5/8} \left( \frac{r}{15 R_{\text{J}}} \right)^{-15/8}$$

2) mass density of stellar mass BH disk

$$\rho \left[ g \, \text{cm}^{-3} \right] = 7.2 \times 10^{-4} \left( \frac{\alpha_{\text{v}}}{0.001} \right)^{-1} \left( \frac{\dot{M}}{M_{\text{Edd}}} \right)^{-2} \times \left( \frac{r}{3r_{\text{S}}} \right)^{3/2} \times \left( \frac{M}{M_{\odot}} \right)^{-1} \left( 1 - \left( \frac{r}{3r_{\text{S}}} \right)^{-1/2} \right)^{-2}$$

# **Accretion disks - disk viscosity**

# Question of accretion disk viscosity

- -> molecular viscosity too low -> viscous accretion time scale  $\sim r^2/\nu \sim 10^{15} \, \mathrm{yrs}$ 
  - -> what causes anomalous (turbulent) viscosity ??
    - -> Schwarzschild criterium for gravitational instability  $(\delta l^2 / \delta r) > 0$  not satisfied for Keplerian disk
    - -> Magnetorotational instability, MRI (Balbus & Hawley 1991)

Other suggestions for angular momentum transport / removal in accretion disks:

- -> Molecular viscosity (Pringle 1981)
- -> Convective turbulence (Lin & Papaloizou 1980, Ryu & Goodman 1992, Stone & Balbus 1996)
- -> Outflows (Wardle & Königl 1993)
- -> Tidal effects (Vishniac & Diamond 1989)
- -> Electron viscosity (Paczynski & Jaroszynski 1978)

#### **Accretion disks - MRI**

# Magnetorotational instability (MRI):

Velikhov (1959): MRI discovered for vertically magnetized Couette flow (diff. rot. cylinders) Chandrasekhar (1960): MRI generalisation, variational principle (no practical application) Fricke (1969): application to stars, local instability, dispersion relation Safranov (1969): turbulisation of accretion disks by magnetic shear instability Balbus & Hawley (1991, see review Balbus & Hawley 1999):

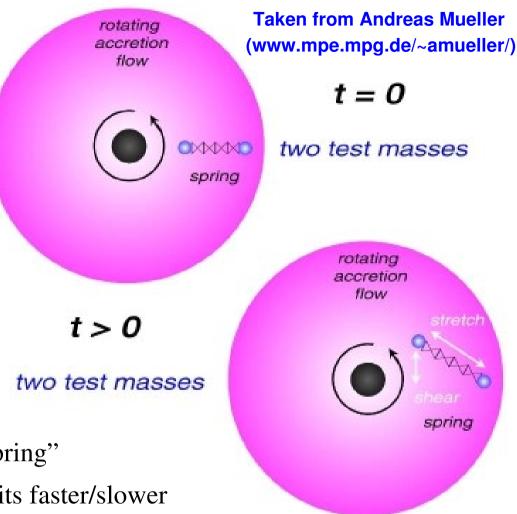
- -> break-through of MRI application in accretion disks:
  - shown that MRI manifests itself locally under very general conditions
  - give a relatively simple derivation
  - provide a detailed explanation of the underlying physical processes
  - present limitations of the theory
  - suggest MRI as cause for large viscosity in accretion disks
  - numerical MHD disk simulations to prove analytical derivations
- -> MRI excited by moderate magnetic field strength:
  - strong fields stabilizes differential rotation,
  - weak field limit by dissipation (natural length of instability scales inversely with field strength)
- -> exponential growth till saturation

# **Accretion disks - MRI**

# **Magnetorotational instability:**

# Principle, simplified:

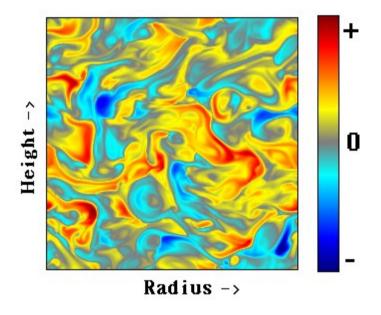
- 1) Failing approach maneuvre of spacecraft:
  - -> spacecraft on inner orbit is faster
    - -> braking of inner spacecraft
      - -> angular momentum loss
  - -> inner spacecraft sinks to even lower orbit & departs from outer spacecraft



- 2) Bodies on Kepler orbits, connected by a "spring"
  - -> differential rotation: inner/outer body orbits faster/slower (angular momentum of inner body < a.m. of outer body)
    - -> spring is stretched, shear forces exert braking/accelerating torque on inner/outer body;
      - -> inner/outer body looses/gains angular momentum, moves inwards/outwards
        - -> differential rotation becomes even stronger
          - -> stronger torques & more angular momentum loss in outward direction

## **Accretion disks – MRI**

# Magnetorotational instability:

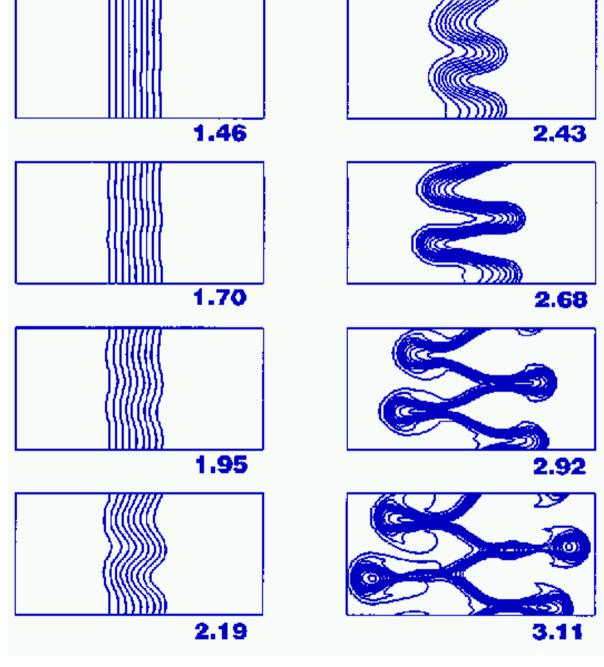


Simulation slice through a magnetized disk with MRI created turbulence

Blue: gas with less than Keplerian angular momentum

Red: gas with excess a. m.

"MRI is very effective at creating the angular momentum transport required to make accretion disks accrete" (Balbus & Hawley 1995)



Fieldline evolution

# **Accretion disks**

# "Other" accretion disks:

- -> thick disks: h ~ r; not local energy balance, heat transport in any direction, potentially gravitationally unstable
  - -> rotation not uniquely defined by gravity -> "free" angular momentum distribution
    - --> not Keplerian anymore; split of HD eq. in radial and perp. part not possible
  - -> massive disks in YSO, very hot disks (AGN)
- -> ADAFs: advection dominated accretion disks, inefficient cooling, hot,
  - for BH: matter is accreted into BH before it radiates away energy
  - for NS: energy release at NS surface
  - -> rather more similar to Bondi accretion than to thin accretion disk, h ~ r, BUT viscous accretion!
- -> slim disks: optically thick ADAF, ineffective cooling, advection cooled, super-Eddington
- -> ADIOS: aadiabatic inflow outflow structures:
  - ADAF with wind/jet outflow taken into account, ADAF with high viscosity
- -> CDAFs: convection dominated accretaion disks: ADAF with low viscosity, structure very different from ADAFs, e.g. constant angular momentum per volume, no accretion

# Jet launching from accretion disks

#### How to divert radial accretion into outflow direction?

- -> "holy grail" of jet formation theory
- -> so far mostly stationary models
- -> MHD simulations beginning to succeed



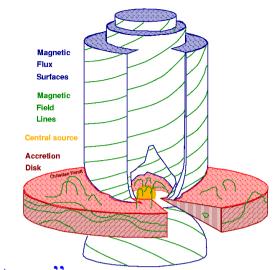
- -> investigate disk-jet transition region in stationary self-similar approximation
- -> jet launching is completely magnetohydrodynamic process (compared to e.g. magnetocentrifugal acceleration ...):
  - -> disk: quasi-magnetohydrostatic equilibrium,

turbulent magnetic diffusivity 
$$u_m = lpha_m v_A h$$

- -> magnetic torque in toroidal direction,  $F_{\phi}=j_{z}B_{r}-j_{r}B_{z}$
- -> Lorentz forces: use  $I(r,z)=-rac{c}{2}\,rB_{\phi}$  to get  $F_{\phi}=rac{B_{p}}{2\pi r}
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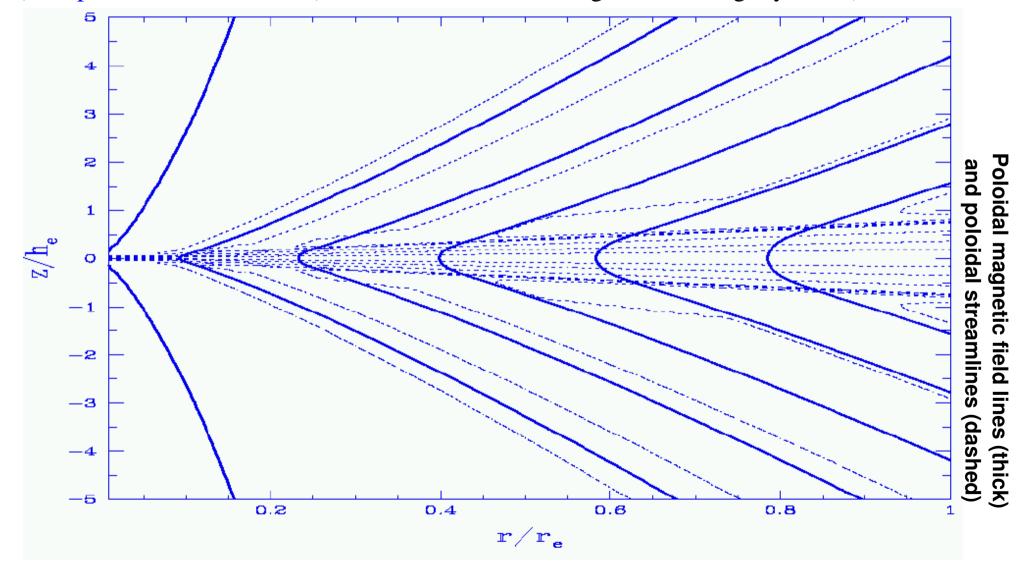
>>> if  $F_{\perp}$  decreases -> gas pressure gradient lifts plasma from disk surface if  $F_{\phi}$  increases -> centrifugal acceleration of plasma



# Jet launching from accretion disks

"magnetic accretion-ejection structures" (Ferreira et al 1995-1997):

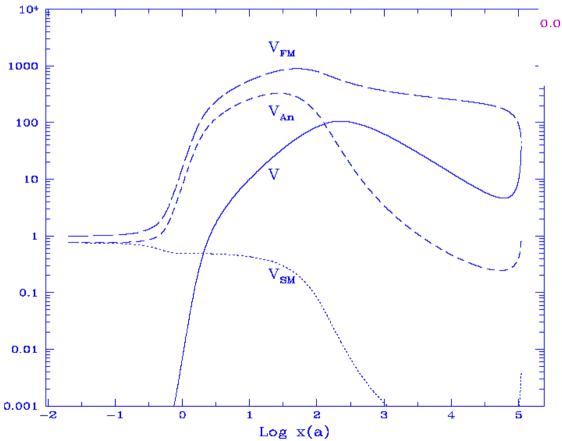
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- 3) couples to the field and 4) becomes accelerated magnetocentrifugally and 5) collimated

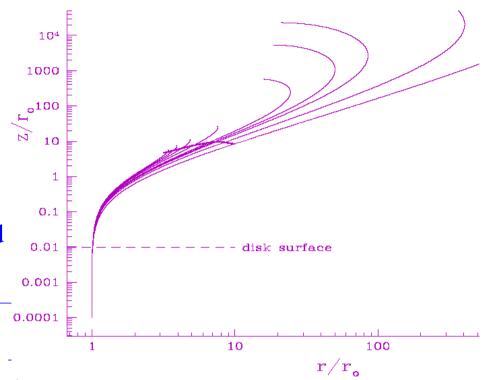


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Field line structure (top) z(r) for different mass flux per magnetic flux

Poloidal velocity (left) as function of distance along the field line.

The disk wind becomes super slow-magnetosonic, super Alfenic and marginally magneotosonic.

Note: self-similar wind structures intrinsically re-collimate (see above) (Ferreira 1997)

# Jet launching from accretion disks

# Numerical simulations of disk-jet interaction

# Shibata et al. group:

Uchida & Shibata 1986 !!!!!

- -> simulations incl. disk structure: short term, problem disk evolution
- -> applications: sun, stars (MHD), BHs (GRMHD)

#### Difficult task:

- strong gradients in density, pressure, magnetic field, vel

 $Log_{10}T$ 

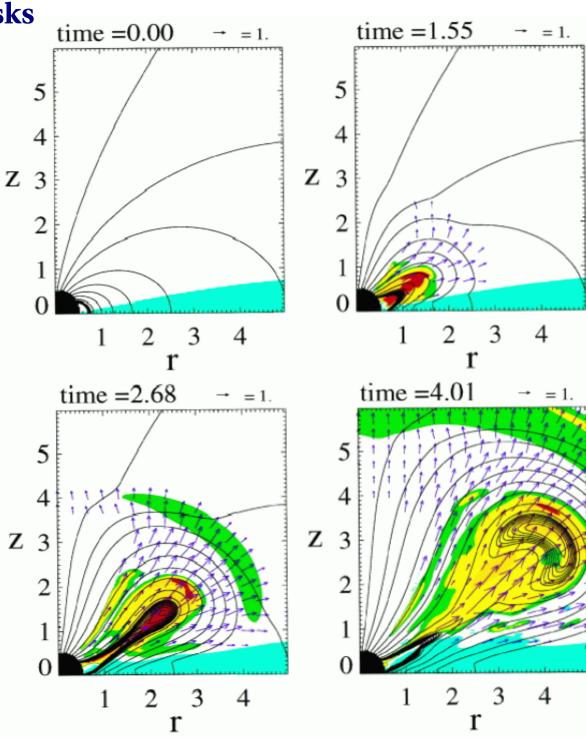
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-0.5

- proper disk model?
   Ideal / diffusive MHD,
   turbulence,
   radiative transfer,
- -> mass transfer disk to jet
- -> disk wind & disk structure

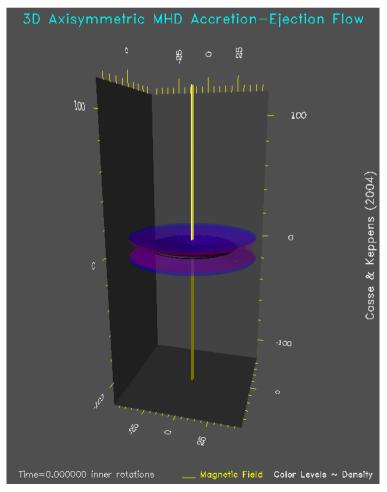


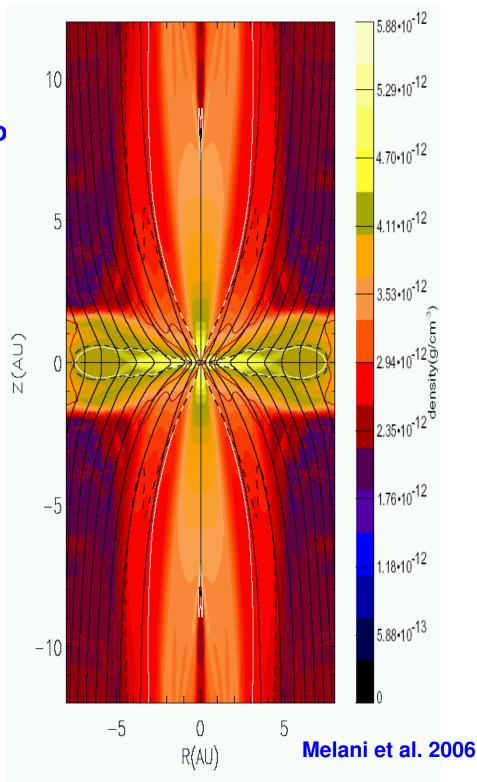
# Jet launching from accretion disks

# **Numerical simulations of disk-jet interactio**

# Casse & Keppens 2002/04;

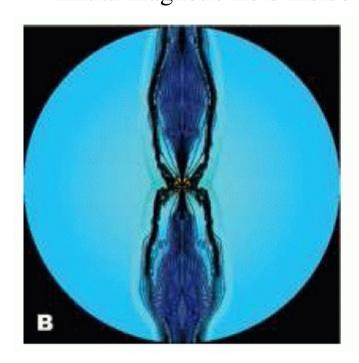
1<sup>st</sup> who get a time-dependent jet ejection from disk; long-term evolution until steady state new stuff: Meliani et al. 2006: Zanni et al 1008;

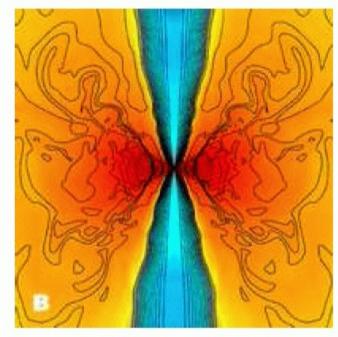




# Jet launching from accretion disks

General relativistic simulations: e.g. McKinney (2006):
GRMHD code HARM (Gammie 2003), Kerr-Schild coordinates
Initial magnetic field inside initial torus, poloidal



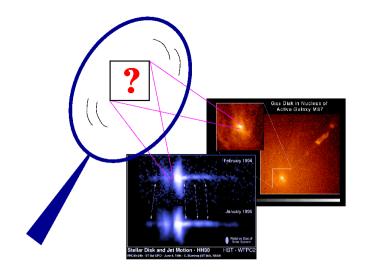


t ~ 10^4 t\_g r ~ 10^4 r\_g / 100 r\_g ρ\_out ~ 10^-13 ρ\_disk

Shown lab frame density + fieldlines

Poynting dominated jet reaches  $\Gamma$ ~10, fast within  $\alpha$  < 5°, slow within  $\alpha$  <30° Disk wind has collimated edge,  $\Gamma$ < 1.5

New "force-free" simulations, low density, reach Lorentz factors of 5000 (Tchekhovskoy, et al 2008)



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