

Protostellar Outflow-Driven Turbulence

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BACKGROUND

+ Why: Star formation is a slow process

- Observed: $SFT_{ff} \approx .19$

- Theory: $SFT_{ff} = 1$

+ How: Supersonic turbulence in the cloud could be changing environment

+ What: Any source of momentum

- Protostellar outflows

- Supernovae (more rare)

Theory:

Stars in their early phases of life, protostars, eject mass through bipolar jets. These jets feedback onto the cloud and create supersonic turbulence.

This turbulence acts as a pseudo-pressure inhibiting high star formation rates

PROJECT

- + **Model turbulence in cloud numerically and verify predictions**
 - Isothermal
 - Coupling factor of outflows
 - Energy Spectrum
 - Line Widths
 - Channel Maps
- + **Approximate outflows with spherical regions with impulse**
 - Phi dependant impulse for collimation
- + **Pseudo-random outflow injection with respect to space-time**
 - Rate parameter: $S \sim \rho^n$
- + **Isolate physics to hydrodynamics in order to verify effects are solely caused by outflows**

CURRENT

- + **Total Variation Diminishing (TVD) Code**
 - Strictly momentum Conserving
 - Resolved shocks well
- + **Large grid**
 - MPI/openmp
 - 200x200x200
- + **Constant impulse injection with varied collimation at a constant rate**
- + **Preliminary Analysis**
 - Kinetic Energy
 - Line Widths
- + **Numerical Study**
 - Verify integrity of results
 - Robertson Interpolation

FUTURE

- + *Finish!*
- + Further analysis
- + Massive Grid
 - 600^3
 - 1000^3 ?
- + MHD
 - Identify contribution of magnetism
- + Gravity
 - Identify contribution of gravitation
 - More realistic outflow injection

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