RELATIVISTIC JETS FROM BLACK HOLES

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Summary

- Jets BHs astrophysical connection
- Jet launching
- Accretion structure
- Jet propagation
- Simulation validation

<u>Astrophysical Evidence of</u> <u>Relativistic Jets</u>



(Cohen et al. 1971, Biretta et al. 1999, Mirabel et al 1992)



BH accretion and jets

Correlation between accretion onto BH and jet's kinetic power (Allen et al. 2006, Heinz et al. 2007, Balmaverde et al. 2008)



Relativistic radio jets



(Giovannini et al. 2005, Laing et al. 2008)

Jets and VHE S

- VHE emission from blaz correlated with X rays ar
 Mkn 421 (AGILE, Donnar
 M87 (FERMI, Acciari et al
- GRBs (Klebesadel et al. 197
- Doppler boosting in relat observer
- Light jets with relativistic
 - Spine produces synchrotr boosted to GeV and TeV the sheath (e.g. Tavecchie)
 - Radio emission from exte



HIGH-ENERGY SPECTRA

AGILE 2007



Jet Launching

• Two energy reservoirs:

<u>Accretion</u> (e.g. <u>Keplerian disk</u> $\Omega = \Omega_{Keplerian}$) Kerr black hole rapid rotation ($\Omega_H = ac/2R_H$ $J_H = aGM^2/c$ -1 < a < 1)



- Magneto-centrifugal mechanism
- •Resort to twisted magnetic field to extract rotational energy \dot{E} at a rate mainly in the form of Poynting flux
- ${\, }^{\circ}$ Mass outflow rate M
- The specific energy $\mu = \dot{E}/\dot{M}c^2$ is the maximum possible Lorentz factor of the outflow
- Which is the asymptotic Lorentz factor $\gamma_\infty\,$ and the acceleration efficiency ?



Numerical Simulations

- Highly nonlinear problem
- Special relativistic MHD: focus on large scale acceleration
- Initial and boundary conditions:
 - rotating boundary
 [solid rotator (BH/NS) + Keplerian disk]
 - purely poloidal current-free magnetic field $B_p \propto r^{-5/4}$ (Blandford & Payne 1982)
 - plasma injected with poloidal speed $\gamma_{inj}\simeq 1$
 - Simulation evolved up to <u>stationary state</u>
 - Steady state: RMHD axisymmetric invariants

Specific energy: $\mu = \gamma - \frac{r\Omega B_{\phi}}{\Psi}$ = kinetic + Poynting Acceleration = transfer of Poynting to kinetic flux



MHD equations

Non ideal regime inside the disk: $\frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u}) = 0$ viscous-resistive with radiative losses $\frac{\partial(\rho \mathbf{u})}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \left[\rho \mathbf{u} \mathbf{u} + \left(P + \frac{\mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{B}}{2}\right)\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{B}\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{\Pi}\right] + \rho \nabla \Phi_g = 0$ $\frac{\partial e}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot \left[\left(e + P + \frac{\mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{B}}{2} \right) \mathbf{u} - (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{B}) \mathbf{B} + (\eta_m \mathbf{J}) \times \mathbf{B} \right] - \nabla (\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{\Pi}) = -\Lambda_{cool}$ $e = \frac{P}{\gamma - 1} + \frac{\rho \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{u}}{2} + \frac{\mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{B}}{2} + \rho \Phi_g$ $(\Pi)_{ij} = 2\frac{\eta}{h_i h_i} \left(\frac{v_{i;j} + v_{j;j}}{2}\right) + \left(\eta_b - \frac{2}{3}\eta\right) \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v}\delta_{ij}$ $\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} + \nabla \times \mathbf{E} = 0$ ($\mathbf{E} = -\mathbf{u} \times \mathbf{B} + \eta_m \mathbf{J}$, $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$)



Consistent treatment of disk-jet system \rightarrow include the disk in the computational box

How? Solve numerically for equilibrium in r and z, exploit symmetries

Model the disk's "turbulence" \rightarrow

"alpha" prescription of transport coefficients (Shakura & Sunyaev 1973)

How?
$$\alpha_m = \frac{\nu_m}{V_A h} \Big|_{z=0} \alpha_v = \frac{\nu_v}{C_s h} \Big|_{z=0} \mathcal{P}_m = \frac{\nu_v}{\nu_m} \Big|_{z=0}$$
 Only inside $\exp\left(-2\frac{z^2}{H^2}\right)$

Launching via magneto-centrifugal mechanism \rightarrow large scale magnetic field

How?
$$\Psi = \frac{4}{3} B_{z0} r_0^2 \left(\frac{r}{r_0}\right)^{3/4} \frac{m^{5/4}}{(m^2 + z^2/r^2)^{5/8}} \qquad B_z = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial r} \quad B_r = -\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial z}$$

"Warm" outflows \rightarrow allow for entropy generation inside the disc

How?
$$\Lambda_{cool} = f_m Q_{Ohm} + f_u Q_{visc} \qquad f_m = f_u = 0 \quad \rightarrow \text{ "warm"} \\ f_m = f_u = 1 \quad \rightarrow \text{ "cold"} \qquad f_m \# f_u \# f_u$$

- Focus: magnetization
- Resistive 2.5D MHD simulations of jet launching:

 $\mu = 2P / B^2$

 From weak (case 1, 2) to strong magnetic fields (case 3, 4)

 $1/3 \le \mu \le 10.0$

Tzeferacos et al. MNRAS 2009





- <u>Self-consistent</u> jet ejection from accretion disc
- Super Alfvènic, super fast magneto-sonic outflows
- Steady state solutions obtained only above equipartition plasma <u>µ</u> (case 1,2)



- Focus: entropy generation due to viscous and Ohmic heating
- Viscous and resistive 2.5D MHD simulations of jet launching
- <u> α prescription</u> for viscosity and resistivity, with magnetic Prandtl number: $P_m = \eta_u / \eta_m \sim 1$





- Strong correlation between disk heating effects and mass loading.
- Efficient acceleration and stationarity is found for <u>mildly warm</u> and <u>cold</u> <u>cases</u>, comparable to slow radio-galaxies and YSO jets

cold



warm



Jet Acceleration



Jets, winds and (de)collimation



- The magnetic force associated with the toroidal field (perpendicular to the $rB_{\phi} = const$. isosurfaces) tends to collimate the inner field lines and to decollimate the outer ones, creating a configuration favorable for efficient acceleration.
- The structure suggests a fast jet (collimated) slower wind (decollimated) configuration.
- In the <u>relativistic regime</u>, the electric force is comparable to the magnetic but with opposite sign: differential collimation and acceleration are still possible but on very long spatial scales.



• AGN jets are usually observed at parsec scales (VLBI) while simulations treat milli-parsec scales

• Jets from AGN have usually flow velocities comparable to the speed of light and Lorentz factors larger than unity

• Assuming a BH of ~ 10^8 M $_{\odot}$ the resulting ranges for the flow velocities are $0.39 \le \beta \le 0.72$ and $1.09 \le \gamma \le 1.44$ for $0.4 \le < f > \le 1$

✓ For the radio galaxy 6251, Sudou et al. (2000) inferred a bulk acceleration from 0.13 c to 0.42 c in sub-parsec scales, compatible with intermediate warm solutions



AGN Jet observations

Name IAU	Namo et al. 2001 4C29.30 Mirp. 421	Type	θ range degree	$egin{array}{c} eta \ \mathrm{range} \ \mathrm{v/c} \end{array}$	γ range	$\begin{array}{c} \text{Motion} \\ \beta_a \end{array}$
6836+29	4C29.30	FR I	< 35	> 0.55	> 1.20	
1101 + 38	Mkn 421	BL-Lac	< 30	> 0.87	> 2.03	1.5
1142 + 20	3C 264	FR I	~ 50	~ 0.98	~ 5.0	
1144 + 35		FR I	20 - 25	≥ 0.95	≥ 3.2	2.7
1217 + 29	NGC 4278	LPC	—	—	—	
1222 + 13	$3C \ 272.1$	FR I	60 - 65	$\gtrsim 0.9$	≥ 2.29	
1228 + 12	3C 274	FR I	< 19	$\gtrsim 0.99$	$\gtrsim \! 6$	6
1322 + 36	NGC 5141	FR I	${\lesssim}58$	$\gtrsim 0.54$	$\gtrsim 1.19$	
1441 + 52	3C 303	$\mathrm{FR}~\mathrm{II}$	< 40	> 0.7	> 1.4	
1626 + 39	3C 338	FR I	~ 85	~ 0.8	~ 1.7	0.8 - 0.9
1641 + 17	3C 346	FR II	< 30	> 0.8	> 1.7	



AGN Jet observations



Challenging the alpha prescription

Momentum transport "Viscosity" of α-disks:

 $\mathbf{v} = \alpha \, c_s H e^{-2\left(\frac{z}{H}\right)^2}$

Alpha and disk physical parameters?

"Measured" values of $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$

Numerical simulations of MRI varies with large-scale field, dissipation terms	10-3-10-1
Protostellar disks	10-2-10-3
based on disk masses, temperatures, accretion rates, and lifetimes	
Cataclysmic variables based on models of "dwarf nova" outbursts	10-3-100
AGN direct observational constraints are few to none	?

Numerical simulations of Magneto-Rotational Instability Effects of the numerics? 3D high-resolution simulation in shearing box approximation (Sano & Inutsuka 2001, Mignone et al 2009) In a cartesian frame of reference corotating with the disk

The channel solution, intermittent states, transition to turbulence, calculation of Maxwell stresses, aspect ratio dependence Dynamo

Maxwell stresses and alpha

Unstratified shearing boxes have been shown to suffer from many problems (Fromang et al. 2007, Regev & Umhuran 2008, Bodo et al. 2008, 2010, 2011) In particular with zero mean field the transport becomes negligible at high Reynolds numbers: artifact of shearing box

Towards global simulations





Preliminary results from simulations in which gravitational stratification is included Still shearing box conditions in the radial direction. First step towards global simulations.





Domain size 3Hx4Hx6H (H density scale height). 200 points per scale height. Turbulent region in the denser region in the middle Periodic formation of highly magnetized regions in the upper and lower regions (magnetized coronae)



Momentum transport in Keplerian disks

Vorticity

Global solutions non-normal mode analysis

(Bodo et al. 2007)

Relativistic Jet Propagation

- Are jets stable ?
- Do they dissipate magnetic flux ?
- Intrinsic/external instabilities
- How do jets decelerate without decollimating ?
- Mass entrainment from the ambient medium across an unstable boundary layer
 - internal entrainment: diffusion of mass lost from stars within the jet volume (Komissarov 1994)
 - external entrainment: ingestion of ambient gas from the surrounding IGM via a turbulent unstable boundary layer (Begelman 1982; De Young 1996)
- Connecting morphologies with dynamics
- Instabilities and turbulent particle acceleration

Magnetized Jets

 \square *M* = Mach Number; $\eta = \rho_{amb}/\rho_{jet}$; $\gamma = Lorentz$ factor $\Box \sigma = \text{Magnetization} \qquad \sigma_{\phi} = \frac{\left\langle B_{\phi}^2 / \gamma^2 \right\rangle}{2 \left\langle p_z \right\rangle} \quad \sigma_z = \frac{\left\langle B_z^2 \right\rangle}{2 \left\langle p_z \right\rangle}$ \Box <u>Poloidal</u> model: uniform B_z B(phi) □*Toroidal* model: 2.5 $B_{\phi} = \begin{cases} B_m(r/a) & \text{for } r < a \\ B_m(a/r) & \text{for } r > a^- \end{cases}$ $\Box \alpha = \text{Rotation} \quad v_{\phi}(r) = \alpha \frac{B_{\phi}(r)}{B_{m}}$ 0.5 0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8 1 1.2

Effects of magnetic fields

Purely poloidal field:

behaviour similar to the RHD case

$$M_A = \frac{v_j}{v_A} = 1.67 \twoheadrightarrow B \approx 10^{-4} G$$

Domain 56x80x56 r_j Grid 640x1600x640



Purely toroidal field:
➢ kink instability induced wiggling
➢ shielding of the jet inner core, reducing the jet entrainment and braking



Pressure distribution



Perturbation modes



- Hydro case and poloidal case: prevailing of short KH wavelength modes (Massaglia et al. '96, Hardee '87)
- Toroidal case show suppression of surface modes, kink modes prevail



Nonlinear kink instability

- Assume at equilibrium:
 - P(r) and $\rho(r)$ = constant
 - $-B_{z}(r) = constant$
 - $-\gamma = \text{constant in } r = 0 \div 1$, null elsewhere
 - profile of v_{ϕ}

$$v_{\phi} = v_{\phi,M} \frac{r}{b} \left\{ 1 - \exp[(r-1)^3 / a^3] \right\}$$

- value of $q = B_{\phi} / B_z$ where v_{ϕ} maximum $r \approx 1/2$
- derive B_{ϕ} consistently
- Equilibrium equation

$$\frac{w\gamma^2 v_{\phi}^2}{r} = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{d}{dr} \left[\frac{\left(rB_{\phi} \right)^2}{2} - \frac{\left(rE_r \right)^2}{2} \right]$$
$$E_r = -\left(v_z B_{\phi} - v_{\phi} B_z \right)$$



• Parametrize solutions with γ , $M_A = w\gamma v^2 / \langle B^2 \rangle$ and q



- Instability is strong in the non relativistic or weakly relativistic cases for any M_A and q>1
- Instability weaker increasing the magnetic field (decreasing M_A), but likely to reappear for large q (large azimuthal field)
- Instability disappears when the magnetic field is strong enough to move the system towards the force-free field solution, no effect of plasma inertia (Istomin & Pariev)

Kinetic to Poynting flux ratio

• Initial radial equilibrium structure:

$$\frac{dp}{dr} - \frac{w\gamma^2 v_{\phi}^2}{r} = (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{E})\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{J} \times \mathbf{B}$$

$$E_r = -(\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B})_r = -(v_z B_{\phi} - v_{\phi} B_z)$$

$$(\mathbf{J} \times \mathbf{B})_r = -\left[B_z \frac{dB_z}{dr} + \frac{B_{\phi}}{r} \frac{d}{dr}(rB_{\phi})\right]$$

$$-\frac{dp}{dr} + \frac{w\gamma^2 v_{\phi}^2}{r} = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{d}{dr} \left[\frac{(rB_{\phi})^2}{2} - \frac{(rE_r)^2}{2}\right] + \frac{1}{2} \frac{dB_z^2}{dr}$$

- Relativistic jets at the inlet $\gamma = 10$
- Stratification η = $\rho_{\text{amb}}/\rho_{\text{jet}}$ = 10^4 \rightarrow 10^2





- Large Poynting fluxes produce strong kinks, the head of the flow becomes contorted
- Large kinetic fluxes avoid kinks, the heads of the jet proceeds at large velocity
- The spine of the jet is always highly relativistic on the average, shocks create intermittent structures
- When the jet encounters the low density region its structure becomes again straight and kinks disappear: hints of outflow acceleration ?

Highly nonlinear (relativistic) physics Huge extension of physical parameters Scalability ?





Conclusions

- Relativistic jets show a nonlinear evolution that is different from non relativistic jets in many aspects (AGN vs star)
- Acceleration of relativistic jets in the magneto-centrifugal scheme extends beyond the fast-alfvenic point and is strictly correlated with the collimation process
- Relativistic hydro jets are subject to strong mass entrainment by shear instabilities and form naturally the spine/sheath layer structure
- Relativistic magnetized jets with strong toroidal component are subject to kink instability that may disappear when they emerge from the denser regions
- Entrainment and instabilities do not slow down the spine of the jet that remains relativistic up to the hot spot/termination shock
- The issue of jet acceleration/deceleration requires further analysis of dissipation and turbulent processes
- Particle acceleration: beyond MHD, PIC simulations
- Validation of codes on laboratory experiments is fundamental