Theory of Outflows from Accretion Flows



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1) Introduction

2) Toward a More Fundamental Model of Disk Windsa) thermally driven winds and effects of differentSEDs

b) inefficient line driving in X-ray binaries

Disks: Radiation and MHD are essential





What can drive an outflow or regulate accretion?

- Thermal expansion
 (evaporation, hydrodynamical escape)
- Radiation pressure (due to lines and continuum)
- Magnetic fields.

In most cases, rotation plays a key role (directly



Radiation momentum and en

Irradiation of a Disk



Accretion Disks in Various Objects



Thermal winds: effects of SED, flux and adiabatic cooling.



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Thermal winds: effects of TI on observability





Line driving: effects of SED



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Line driving: element contribution



Line driving: ion contribution



Line and thermal driving



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X-ray Transient Sources

- Most of the accretion energy is emitted in X-rays.
- The radiation energy is still too low to drive an outflow from the inner disk.
- But the radiation from the inner disk can heat up the outer disk.
- However, spectral features of disk winds have not been seen from these systems until high res. X-ray spectra (Schulz & Brandt 2002; Miller et al. 2006, 2008, 2014, 2015; Kubota et al. 2007; Neilsen & Lee 2009; Ueda et al. 2009; Diaz Trigo et al. 2007;



Observations: Miller et al. (2006)





 $\theta = 48.3^{\circ}$ (thick solid), $\theta = 60.5^{\circ}$ (dotted), $\theta = 69.4^{\circ}$ (dashed), $\theta = 76.0^{\circ}$ (dot-dashed), $\theta = 80.9^{\circ}$ (triple dot-dashed), $\theta = 84.5^{\circ}$ (long dashed) and $\theta = 89.1^{\circ}$ (thin solid).

The wind geometry and self-similarity





FIG. 5.—Mass flux density as a function of radius for the test models. The solid line represents our results for $\Gamma_D = 0.667$ with radiation force and X-ray attenuation switched off, whereas the dashed line represents our results with radiation force switched on (in both cases $\kappa_X = \kappa_{UV} = 0$). The mass flux density is measured along a fiducial surface at a fixed θ of 87°. For comparison, the figure also shows the analytic fit (*triple-dot-dashed line*) by Woods at al. (1996) to their numerical results (their eq. [5.2]). For the constant C_0 in the expression of Woods et al., we adopted value of 10^{-4} .

Proga & Kallman (2002, see also Luketic et al. 2010)

Summary

- Line driving is unlikely to be significant in winds driven from X-ray binaries (PK 2002).
- However, thermal disk winds might be enhanced by radiation pressure due to electron scattering (radiation pressure reduces the effective Compton radius, PK 2002).
- The thermal disk winds are different from spherical thermal winds in many respects mainly due to the geometrical effects.
- Unless the radiation field is very strong, thermal winds are not in thermal equilibrium regardless of the geometry (in other words, adiabatic cooling is significant, L. etal 2010, HP 2015, H. et al.2017, D. et al. 2017).
- For some SEDs and relatively strong radiation fields, a wind can have more than one zone of rapid acceleration due to efficient radiative heating (a run-away heating/TI, D et a. 2017).
- Thermal winds are not very fast but they carry a lot of mass (the wind

Summary

- We have atomic and molecular data, computers and numerical methods that allow us to develop and observationally test direct ab initio models of mass outflows (i.e., that will include the object where the outflows originate from).
- Combined with present and future high-quality observations, numerical R-MHD simulations will not only continue to provide us with important insights about complex objects (test long-held assumptions and assertions) but also allow to quantify various processes and effects so that we can determine what is really most important (from the theoretical as well as observational point of view).

Future





Multi-frequency Radiation-Magnetohydrodynamics.



Winds in AGNs and PPDs

Inflows and Outflows in GRBs and AGNs

TI and condensations



DP & Waters (2015, see also Waters & DP 2016)

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Simulation by Tim Waters and Daniel Proga. UNLV

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Disks vs Stars





MHD is essential

For a wide range of outer boundary conditions (spherical/aspherical, slow/fast rotation etc) and gas microphysics (photon/neutrino or efficient/ inefficient cooling)

Stress arises from correlated magnetic and velocity fluctuations with the turbulence itself. Nonlinear saturation of MRI has been widely studied with both local ("shearing-box") and global simulations.



e.g., DP et al. (2003a/b), Moscibrodzka & DP (2008, 2009)

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Higginbottom & Proga (2015)