Theory of Gamma Ray Bursts

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Gamma ray bursts

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- Rapid, bright flashes of radiation peaking in the gamma-ray band
- Occur at an average rate of one event per day at cosmological distances.
- Characterized by a collimated relativistic outflow pushing through the interstellar medium.
- Powered by a central engine.

Long GRBs

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- Collapse of a rotating massive star into black hole. Predicted is beamed explosion, accompanied by a supernova-like ejection
- Their lightcurves show power law decay: support for relativistic blast wave explosion models
- Hosts of long GRBs are in star forming regions, because of higher gas densities and metalicities (Holland 2001; Chevalier 2003)
- Emission lines characteristic for SN found (Stanek et al. 2003)

Short GRBs



Korobkin et al. 2012;

Rezzolla et al. 2014

- Leading candidates include mergers (or for a small fraction, collisions) of NSNS and NSBH systems.
- An alternative candidate is accretion induced collapse of a NS to BH. A small fraction of short GRBs can be the giant flares of soft gamma-ray repeaters in nearby galaxies.

Short GRBs and gravitational waves



LIGO observation GW 170818A



Theoretical predictions (review by Baiotti & Rezzolla, 2017)

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- Models must satisfy the basic equations of hydrodynamics
 - Continuity equation
 - Energy equation
 - Conservation of momentum (radial transport, rotation)
- Supplement with equation of state. Simplest case: ideal gas
- Describe dissipation of energy, simplest case: α -disk, stress scales with pressure (Shakura & Sunyaev 1973). Mimics the angular momentum transport by (MHD) turbulences

Popham et al. 1999; Janiuk et al. 2004; Reynoso et al. 2006; Lei et al. 2009

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- Observed non-thermal γ -ray spectra gave rise to the 'compactness problem'
- Huge optical depth due to the electron-positron pair production would produce a thermal emission
- Relativistic expansion with a rather large bulk Lorentz factor, $\Gamma>10^2$ (Paczynski 1986; Baring 1997)
- High Lorentz factor requires exceedingly clean explosions with ejecta masses of $< 10^{-5} M_{\odot}$; leading to the 'baryon loading' problem (Shemi & Piran 1990)

CTP PAS work. GR MHD simulations

HARM code: High Accuracy Relativistic Magnetohydrodynamics (Gammie et al. 2003). The code provides solver for continuity and energy-momentum conservation equations in GR:

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Energy tensor contains in general electromagnetic and gas parts:

$$T^{\mu\nu} = T^{\mu\nu}_{gas} + T^{\mu\nu}_{EM}$$
$$T^{\mu\nu}_{gas} = \rho h u^{\mu} u^{\nu} + p g^{\mu\nu} = (\rho + u + p) u^{\mu} u^{\nu} + p g^{\mu\nu}$$
$$T^{\mu\nu}_{EM} = b^2 u^{\mu} u^{\nu} + \frac{1}{2} b^2 g^{\mu\nu} - b^{\mu} b^{\nu}; \quad b^{\mu} = u_{\nu}^{\ *} F^{\mu\nu}$$

where u^{μ} is four-velocity of gas, u is internal energy density, and $b^{\mu} = \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon^{\mu\nu\rho\sigma} u_{\nu} F_{\rho\sigma}$ and F is the electromagnetic tensor. In force-free approximation, $E_{\nu} = u_{\mu} F^{\mu\nu} = 0$. EOS in simplest case is that of ideal gas

$$p = K \rho^{\gamma} = (\gamma - 1)u$$

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• Magnetization σ and normalized energy, μ :

$$\sigma = \frac{(T_{em})_t^r}{(T_m)_t^r} \qquad \mu = -\frac{T_t^r}{\rho u^r}$$

- Energy conservation along a field line gives $\mu = \gamma h (1 + \sigma)$ as the sum of the inertial-thermal energy of the plasma, γh , and its Poynting flux, $\gamma h\sigma$
- Maximum achievable Lorentz factor Γ_∞ = μ, when all the Poynting and the thermal energy is transformed to baryon bulk kinetic (σ → 0, ξ → 1) (Vlahakis & Koenigl 2003)

Jet energetics



Jet variability

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Time variability of μ as measured at outer and inner regions of jet . Right: variability as correlated with $T^{\rm MRI}$, timescale of the fastest growing mode (Sapountzis & Janiuk, 2019, ApJ, 873, 12)

Power source for GRB

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Rotational velocity of the magnetic field $\Omega_F = F_{t\theta}/F_{\theta\phi}$ Angular frequency of the black hole $\Omega_{BH} = (a/2) \left(1 + \sqrt{1 - a^2}\right)$



Sapountzis & Janiuk (2019, ApJ)

II. Hyperaccretion and microphysics

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- Hyperaccretion: rates of 0.01-10 M_{\odot}/s
- Steady state and time-dependent models were proposed
- EOS is not ideal, plasma composed of n, p, e^+, e^-
- Chemical and pressure balance required by nuclear reactions: electron-positron capture on nucleons, and neutron decay (Reddy, Prakash & Lattimer 1998)
- Neutrino absorption & scattering

Di Matteo et al. 2002; Kohri et al. 2002, 2005; Chen & Beloborodov 2007; Janiuk et al. 2007; Janiuk & Yuan 2010; Lei et al. 2009; Janiuk et al. 2013; Liang et al. 2015; Janiuk 2017, 2019

Hyperaccretion in GR MHD

- Magnetic fields and/or neutrino-antintineutrino pairs power the jet
- Neutrino energies peak in MeV range (Wei et al. 2019)
- Blandford-Znajek process quantified with

$$\dot{E} \equiv \int d\theta d\phi \sqrt{-g} T^r_{a}$$

 Luminosities due to BZ and neutrinos comparable, depend on BH spin



Janiuk (2017, ApJ, 837, 39)

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Equation of state and nucleosynthesis

In the EOS, contribution to the pressure is by the free nuclei and $e^+ - e^-$ pairs, helium, radiation and the trapped neutrinos:

$$P = P_{\rm nucl} + P_{\rm He} + P_{\rm rad} + P_{\nu}$$

 $P_{\rm nucl}$ includes free neutrons, protons, electrons, and positrons (relativistic and partially degenerate, Fermi gas EOS).



Nucleosynthesis under NSE conditions (Janiuk A., 2014, A&A, 568, 105)

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Nucleosynthesis in dynamical outflows, driven by magnetic fields (Janiuk A., 2019, ApJ, submitted)

- NS-NS eject material rich in heavy radioactive isotopes. Can power an electromagnetic signal called a kilonova (e.g. Li & Paczynski 1998; Tanvir et al. 2013)
- Dynamical ejecta from compact binary mergers, $M_{\rm ej} \sim 0.01 M_{\odot}$, can emit about $10^{40} - 10^{41}$ erg/s in a timescale of 1 week
- Subsequent accretion can provide bluer emission, if it is not absorbed by precedent ejecta (Tanaka M., 2016)



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Supercomputing

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Warsaw University, ICM: cluster Okeanos 1084 computing nodes with 24 Intel Xeon CPU cores with a 2-way Hyper Threading. PL-Grid infrastructure: Cyfronet AGH in Krakow; cluster Prometheus

Postprocessing & visualisations: Local CTP-PAS cluster, 1 node, 32 CPU. Parallel-Python computations

III. General Relativity. Spinning up the black hole in collapsar

- Collapsar model with slowly-rotating quasi spherical collapse with changing black hole spin and mass, and Kerr-Schild metric
- Our method to follow collapse is GR Hydro, not by exactly solving the Einsteins equations (see Semerak & Sukova 2010; Hamersky & Karas 2013). Some attempts with EToolkit made recently (Kuroda et al. 2018) but with Schwarzschild metric.



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LIGO Black Hole assembly

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Our models may out some constraints on the angular momentum content of the collapsing progenitor star, who leaves a massive BH as observed by LIGO



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- GRB theory has to cover Central Engine and jets physics.
- In Central Engine, both accretion and wind ejection are playing role (MRI turbulence, magneticlally/neutrino driven winds)
- Observables are: emission from jets (energetics, minimum time variability scales), and emission from afterglows, including now the Kilonovae. The latter may bring information on accretion physics.
- Gravitational waves give new window and relate progenitor properties with the GRBs prompt phase

Astrophysics group at CTP PAS

- Current PhD student, Ishika Palit
- Former postdocs: Szymon Charzynski (2015-2017, now lecturer at Warsaw University); Petra Sukova (2013-2016, now research associate at Astronomical Institute in Prague); Kostas Sapountzis (2016-2018)
- Former PhD student: Mikolaj Grzedzielski (2013-2018; now post-doc in Turino)



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