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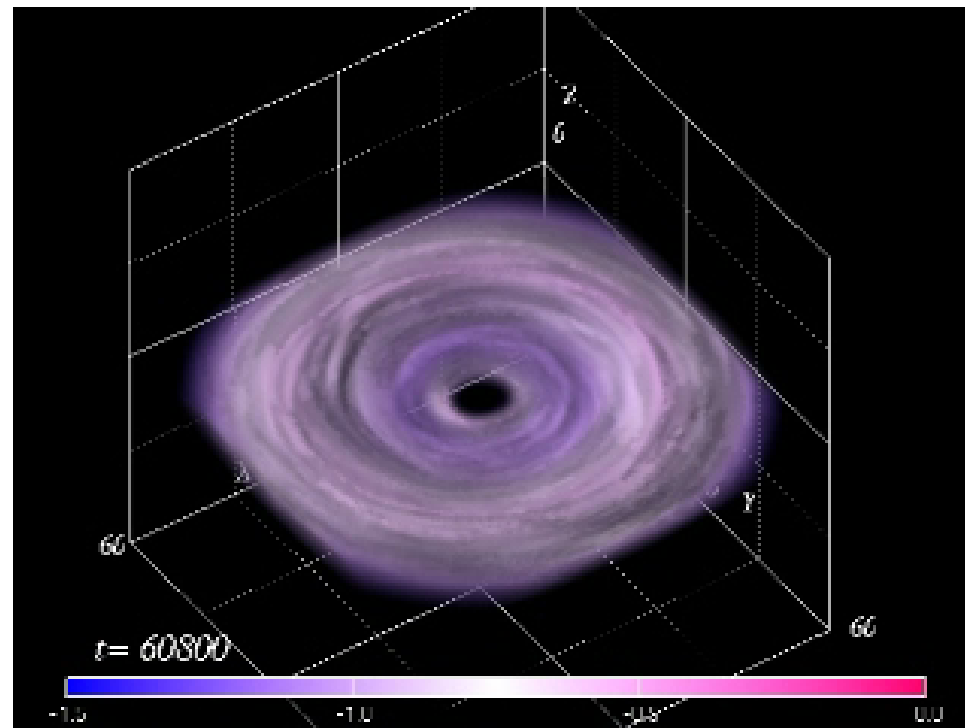
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**Nonlinear phenomena in magnetized accretion disks**

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# Nonlinear Phenomena in Magnetized Accretion Disks

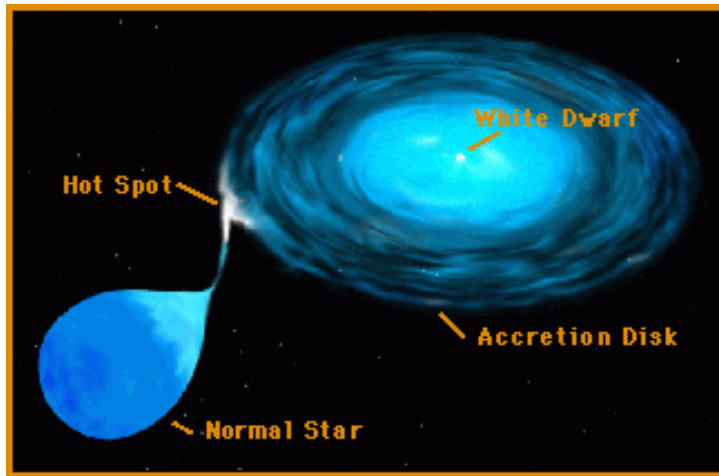


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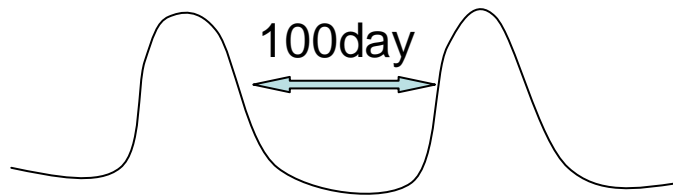
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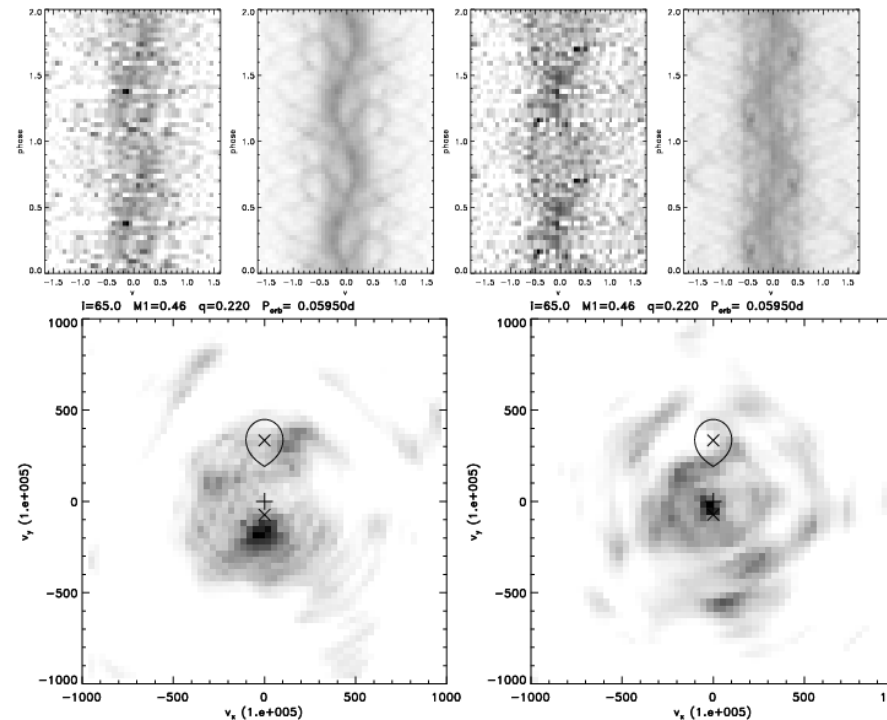
# 1. Introduction



A schematic picture of an accretion disk ( NASA Web Page )

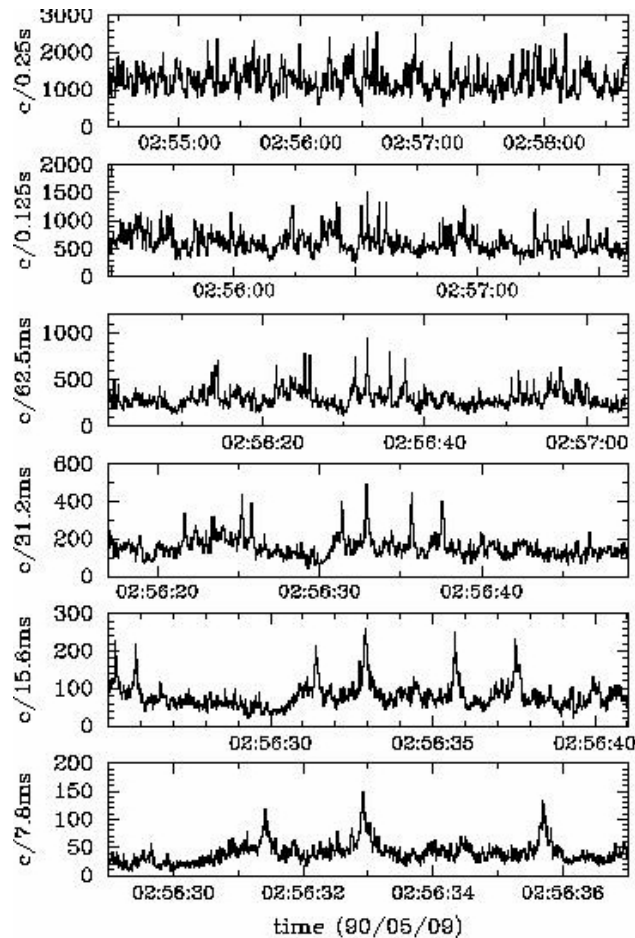


Light curve of a dwarf novae

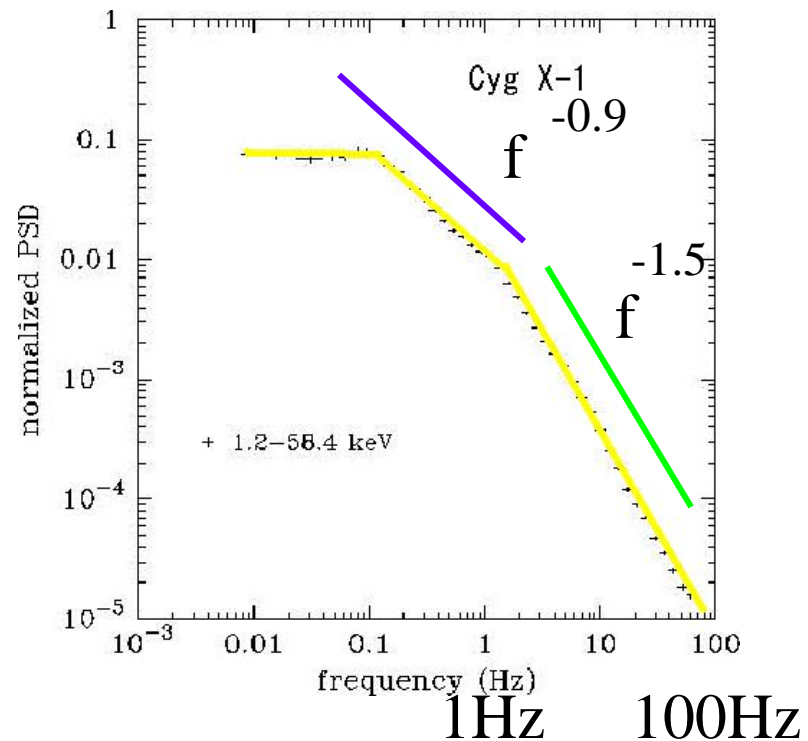


Doppler image of a dwarf novae FS Aurige (Neustroev 2002)

# X-ray Light Curve of a Black Hole Candidate Cyg X-1

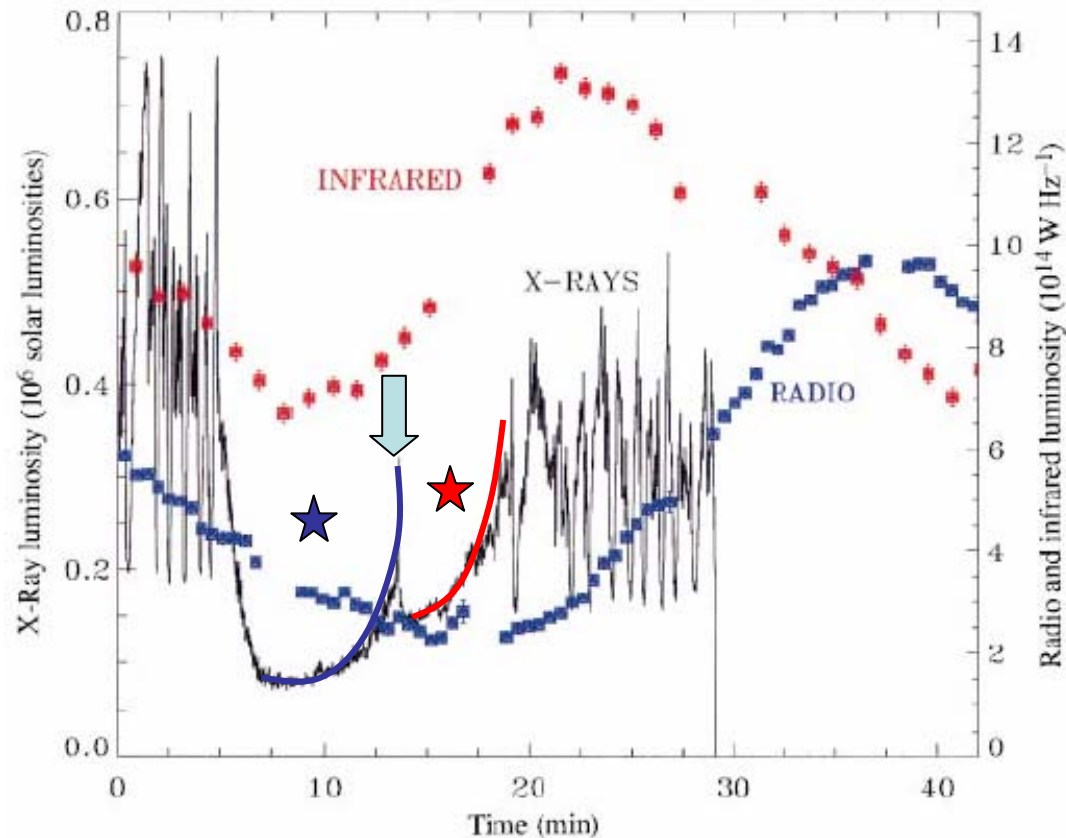


Negoro 1995

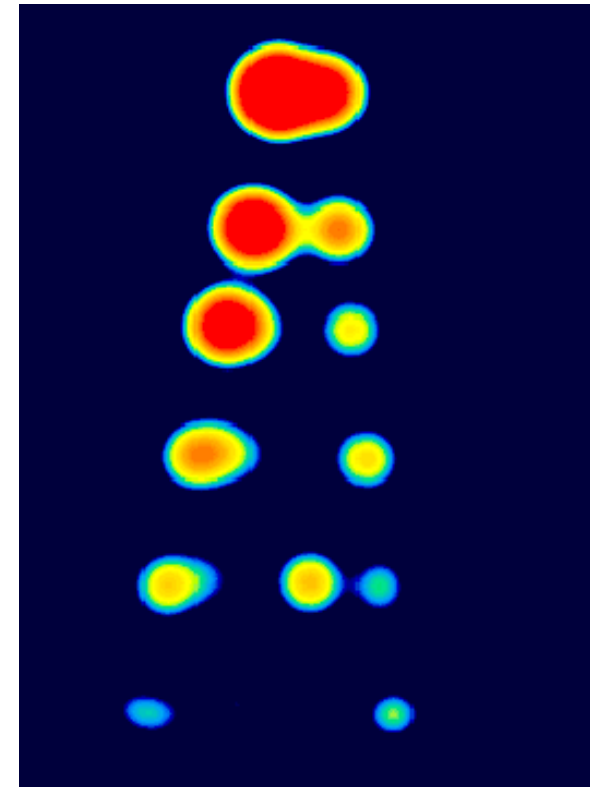


Power Spectrum of Time Variation  
in Cyg X-1

# Violent Activity of Black Hole Candidates

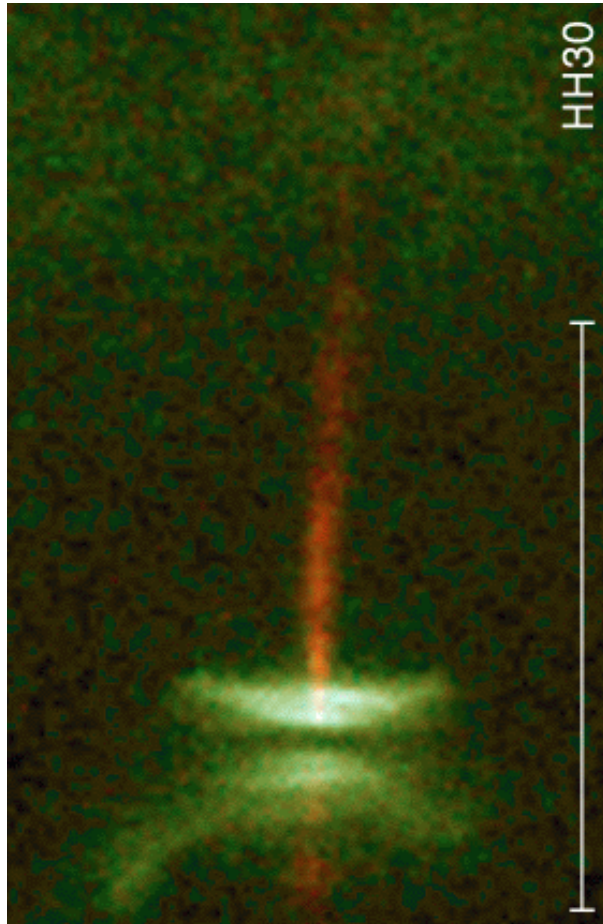


Light Curves of a Microquasar GRS1915+105  
( Mirabel and Rodriguez 1998)

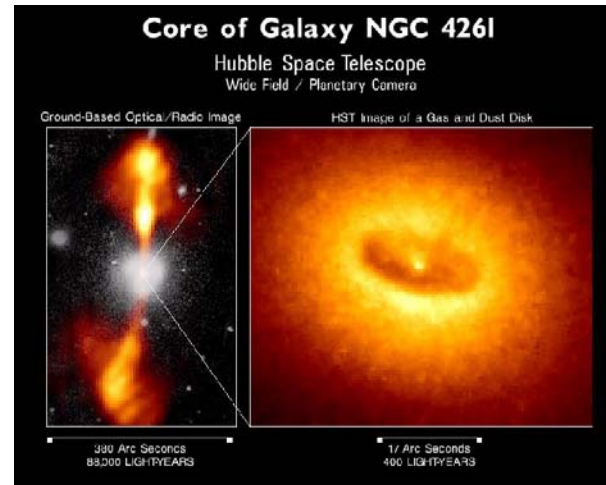


Superluminal Outflows  
(Mirabel et al.1994)

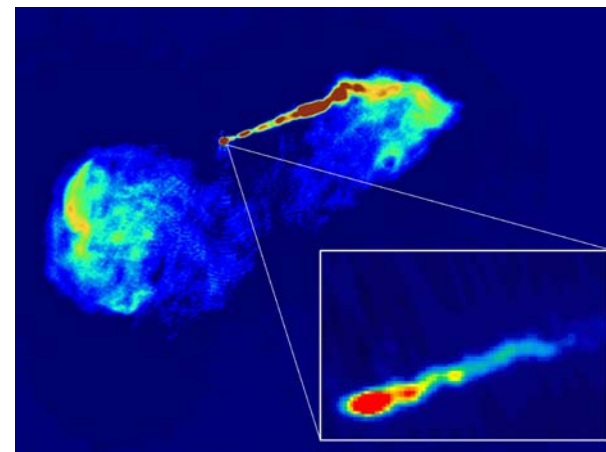
# Accretion Disks and Jets



Protoplanetary Disk and Optical Jet



NGC4261

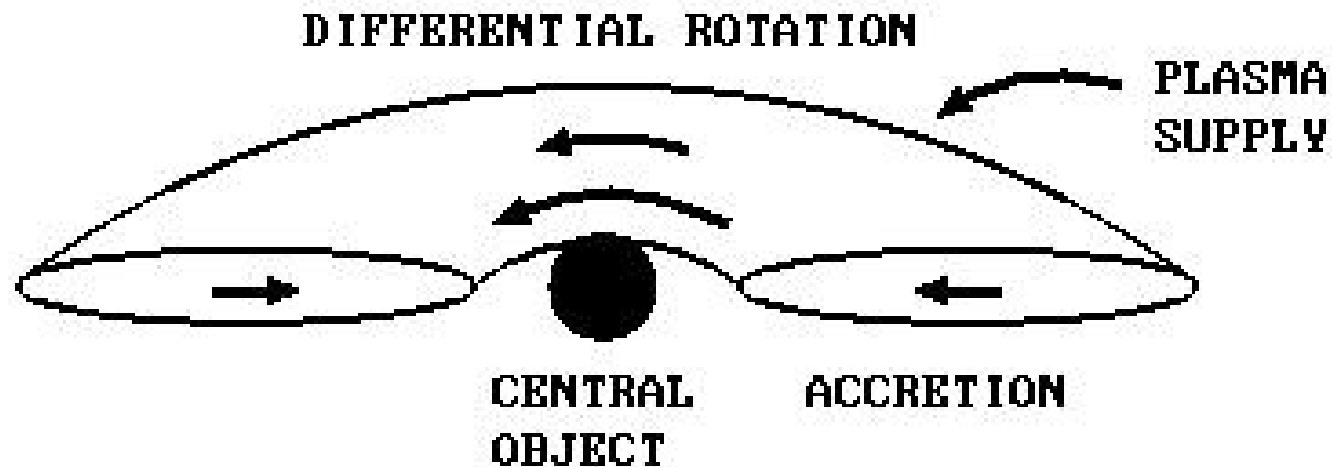


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VLA and Haruka

Jets in Active Galactic Nuclei

# Angular Momentum Transport



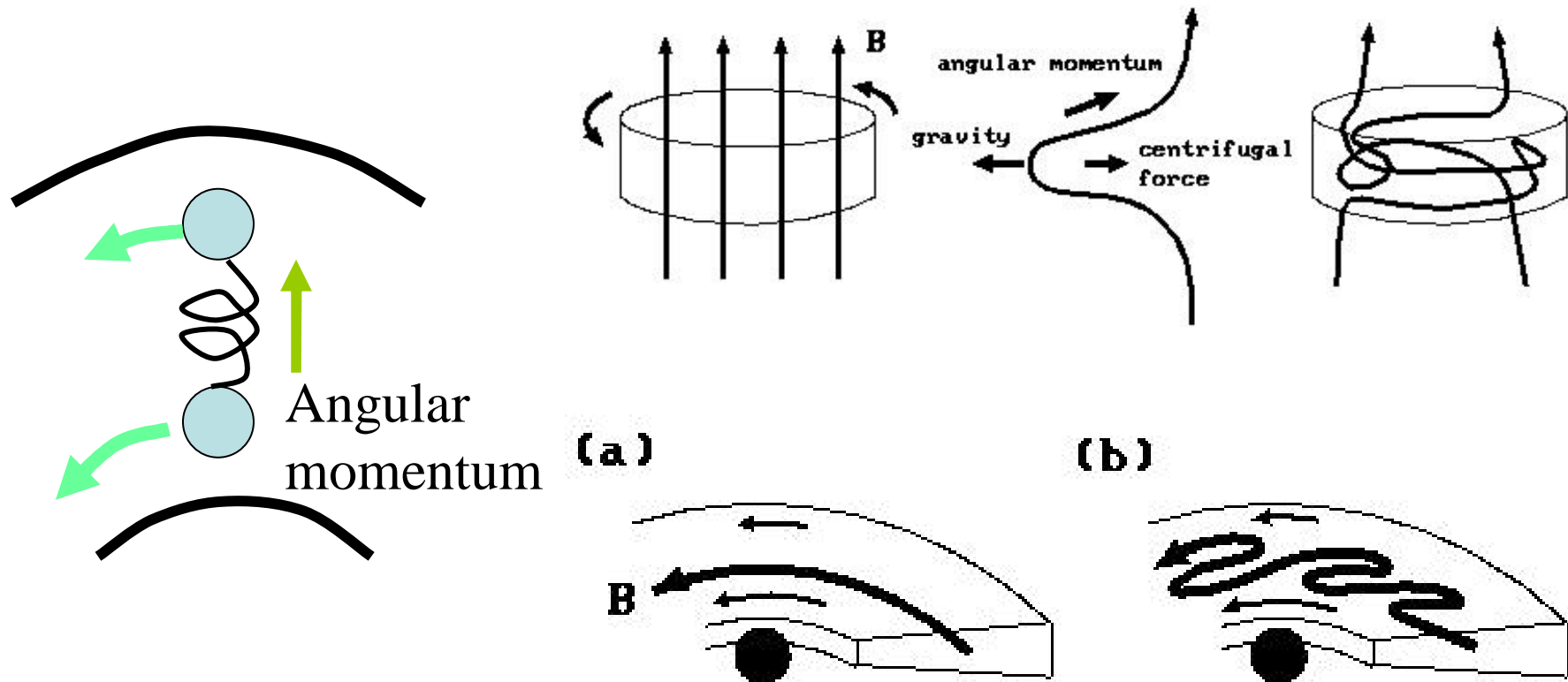
Rotating gas should lose angular momentum to accrete

Standard theory of accretion disk assume  $T_{r\phi} = \alpha P$

- Interval of dwarf nova outbursts indicate  $\alpha = 0.01 \sim 0.1$
- In hydrodynamical disks  $\alpha = O(0.001)$  too small !

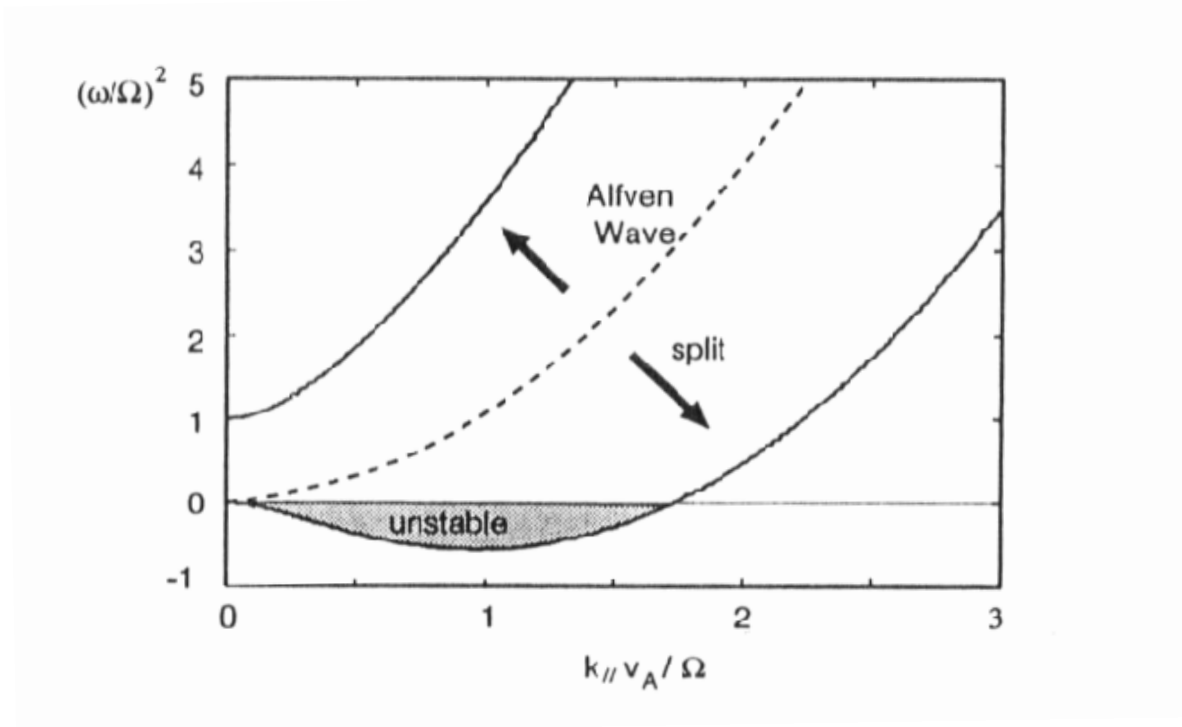


# Magnetorotational Instability in Differentially Rotating Disks



Balbus and Hawley (1991)

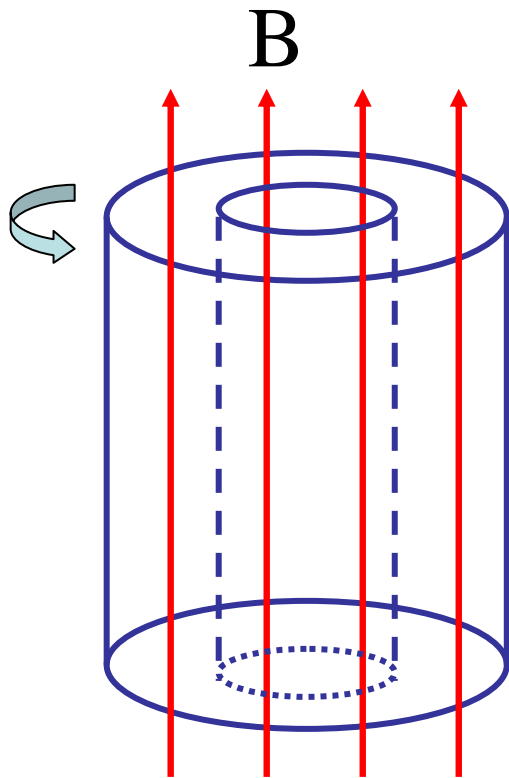
# Growth Rate of MRI in Incompressible Plasma



Maximum growth rate is  $(3/4)\Omega$  when  $k_{\parallel}/v_A=(15/16)^{1/2}\Omega$

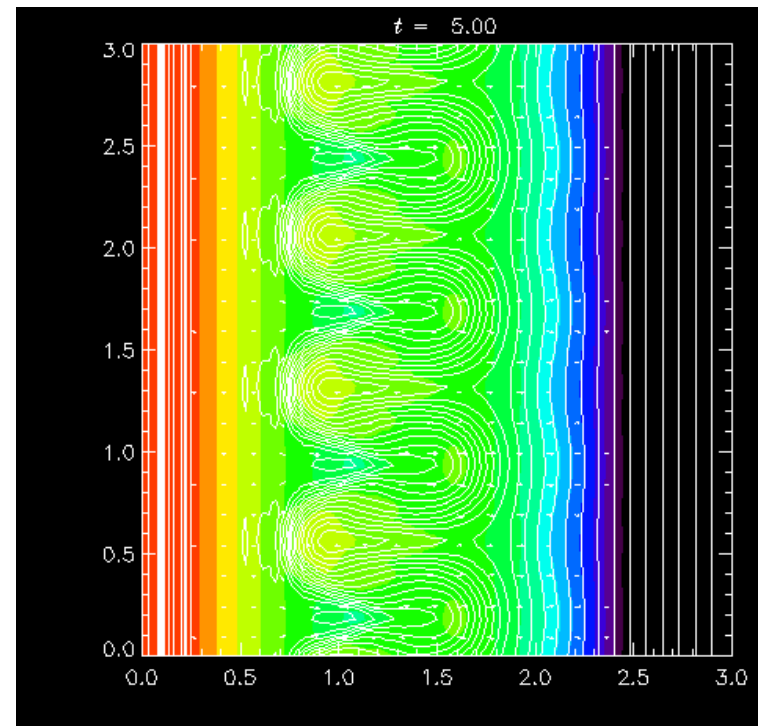
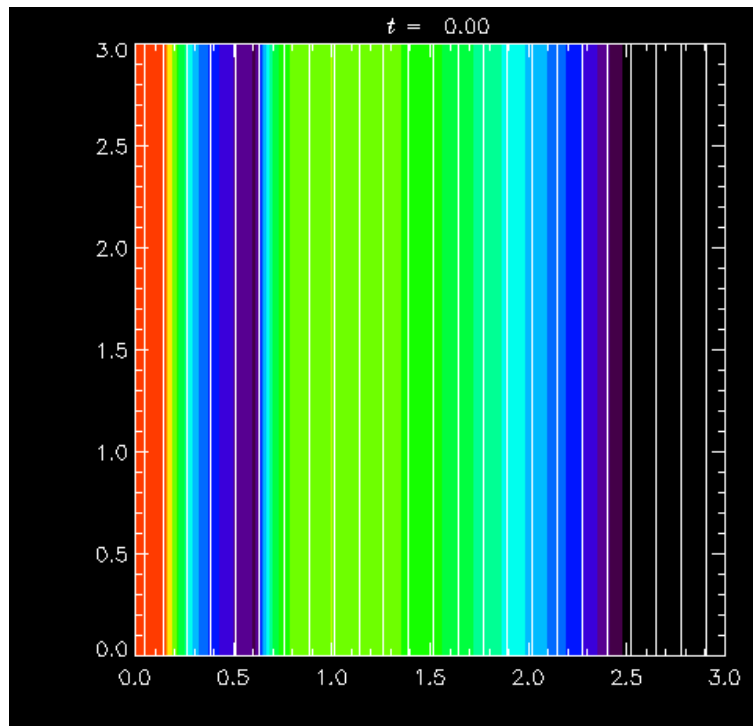
MRI grows in time scale of rotation

# MHD Simulation of MRI



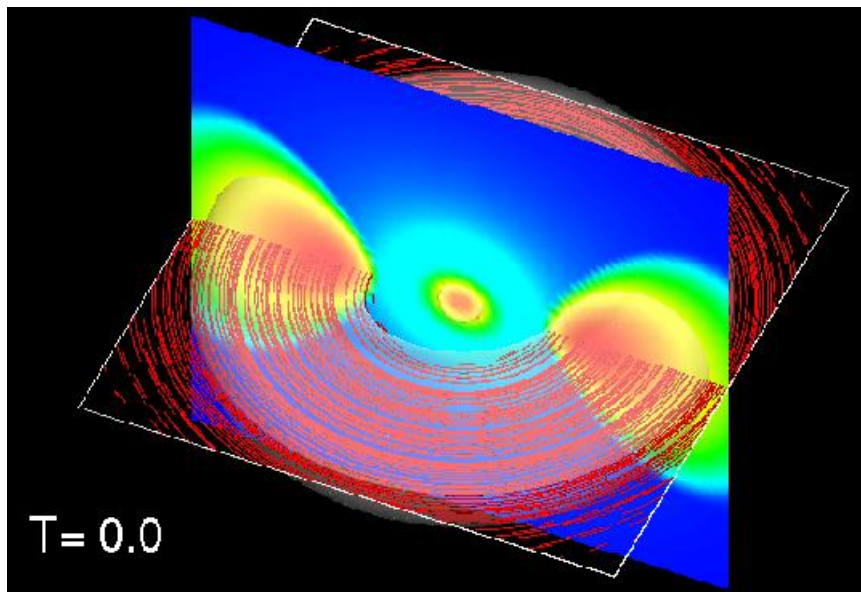
- Cylindrical Model
- Angular Momentum is a function of radius  $r$
- Polytropic equation of state  $P=K\rho^{1+1/n}$
- Assume isothermal gas outside the rotating cylinder

# Numerical Results



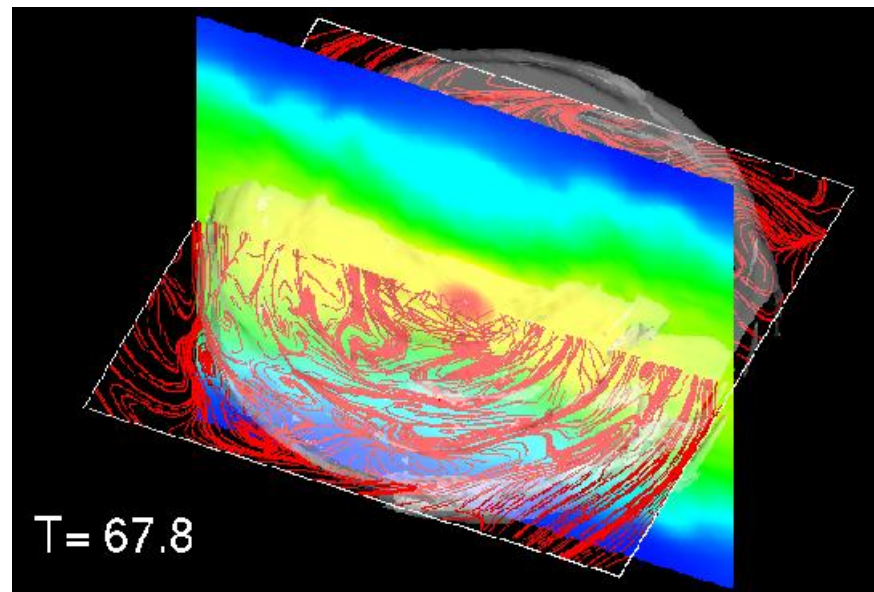
Growth of MRI in differentially rotating cylindrical plasma. Solid curves show magnetic field lines. Color shows density distribution.

# Global 3D MHD Simulation of Differentially Rotating Torus



Initial Condition

$$\beta = P_{\text{gas}}/P_{\text{mag}}=100$$



After 10 Rotation Period

200\*64\*240 grid points

Matsumoto 1999

# Global 3D MHD Simulations of Black Hole Accretion Disks (Machida et al. 2003)

Gravitational potential :  $\phi = - GM/(r-r_s)$

Initially weak toroidal magnetic field  
 $\beta = P_{\text{gas}}/P_{\text{mag}} = 100$  at  $r = r_0$

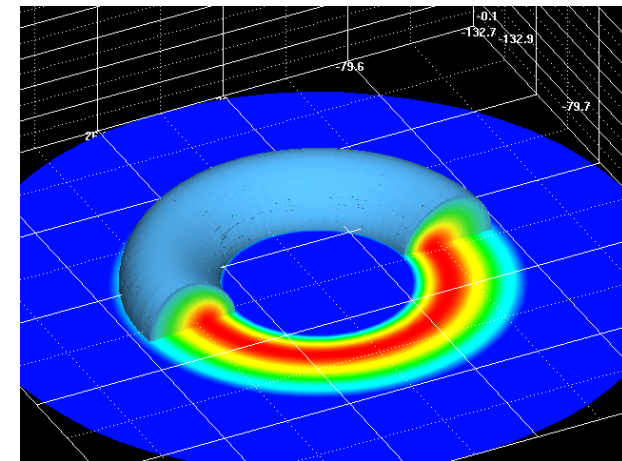
Anomalous Resistivity

$$\eta = (1/R_m) \max [(J/\rho) / v_c - 1, 0.0]^2$$

**Unit**

$$r_s = 3.0 \times 10^6 (M/10M_{\text{sun}}) \text{ cm}$$

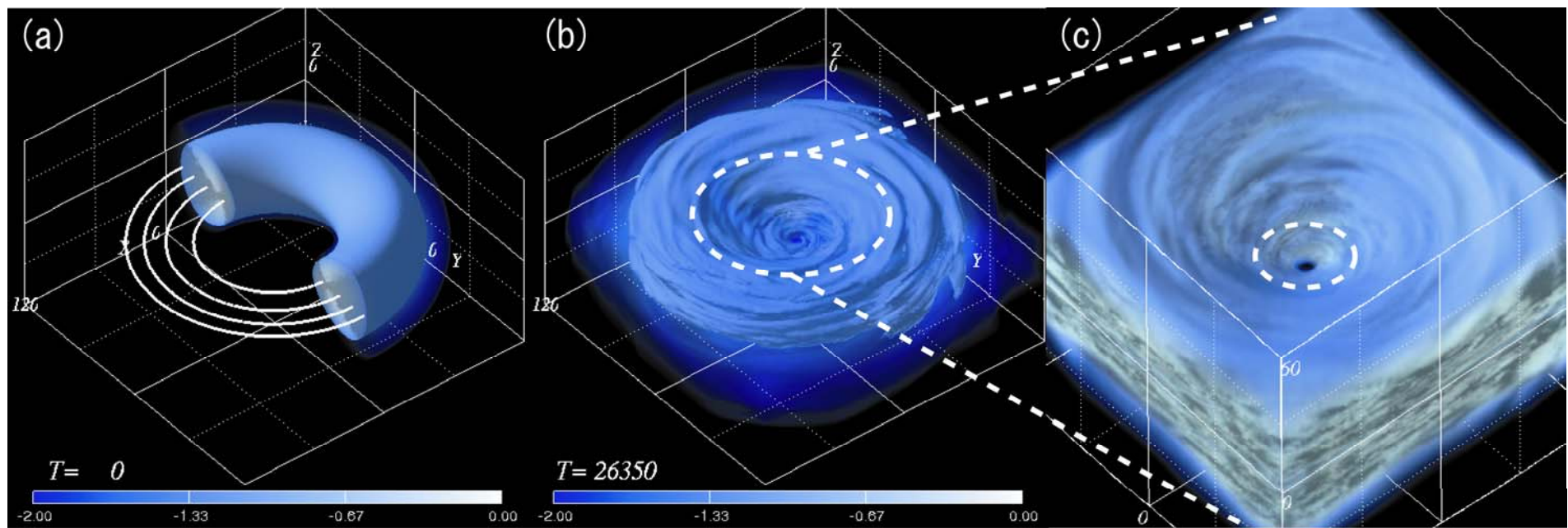
$$t_0 = r_s/c = 10^{-4} (M/10M_{\text{sun}}) \text{ sec}$$



250\*32\*384mesh

250\*64\*384mesh

# Formation of an Accretion Disk



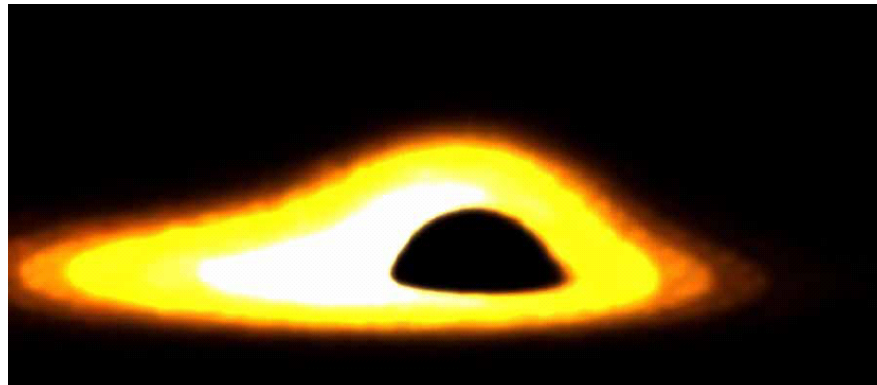
Initial state

$t=26350$

unit time  $t_0=rg/c$



# How a Black Hole Looks Like

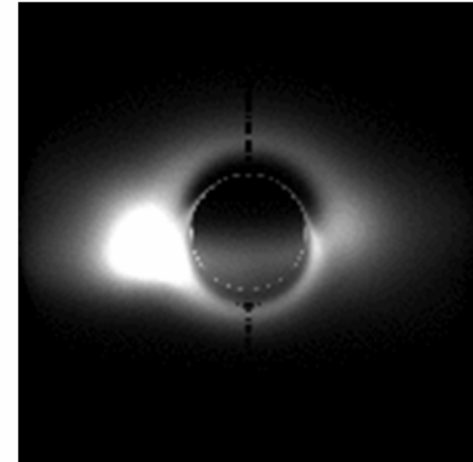
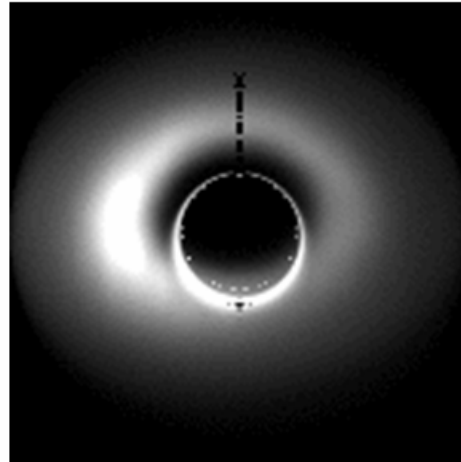
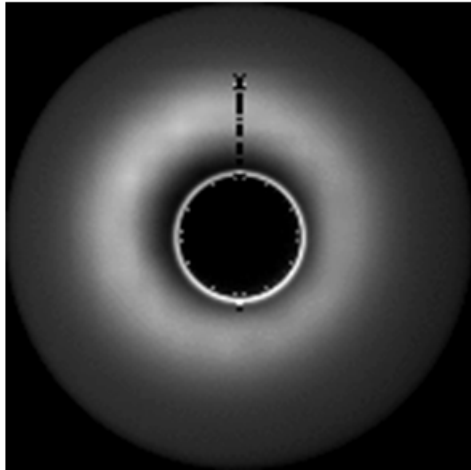


J. Fukue 1988

Inclination 5

45

75

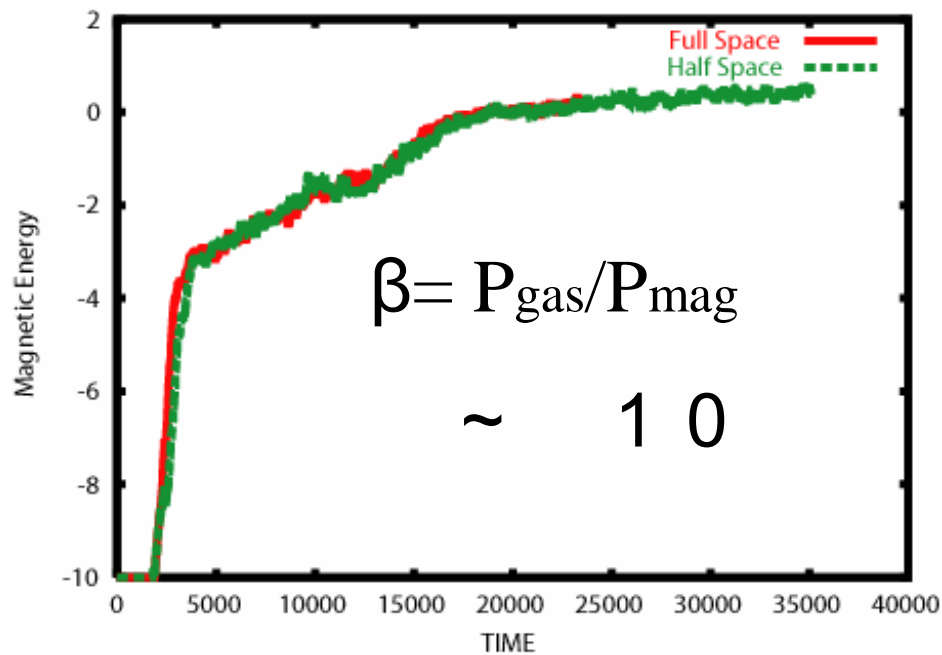


Calculated by M. Bursa

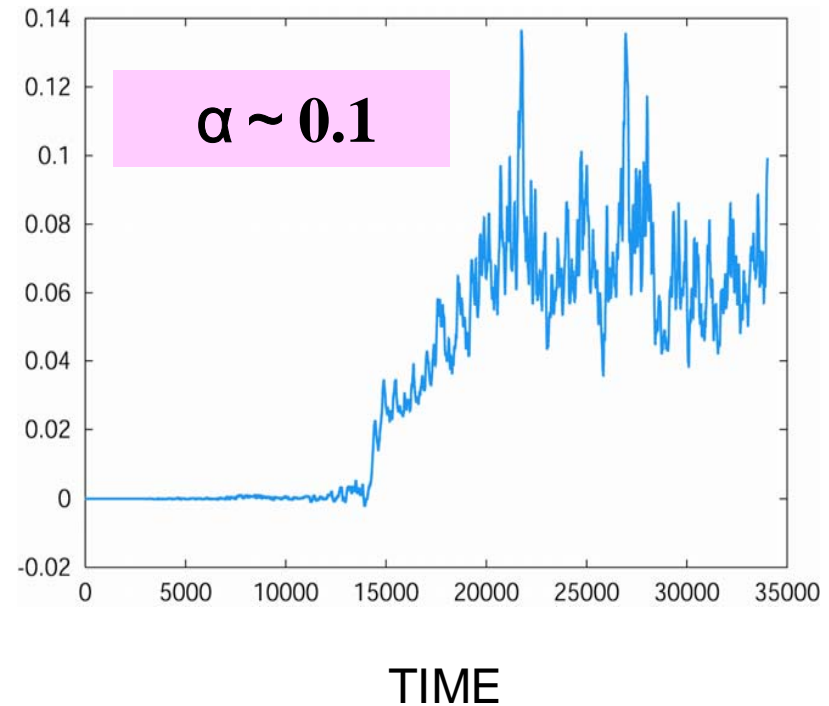


# Time Evolution of Magnetic Energy and Maxwell Stress

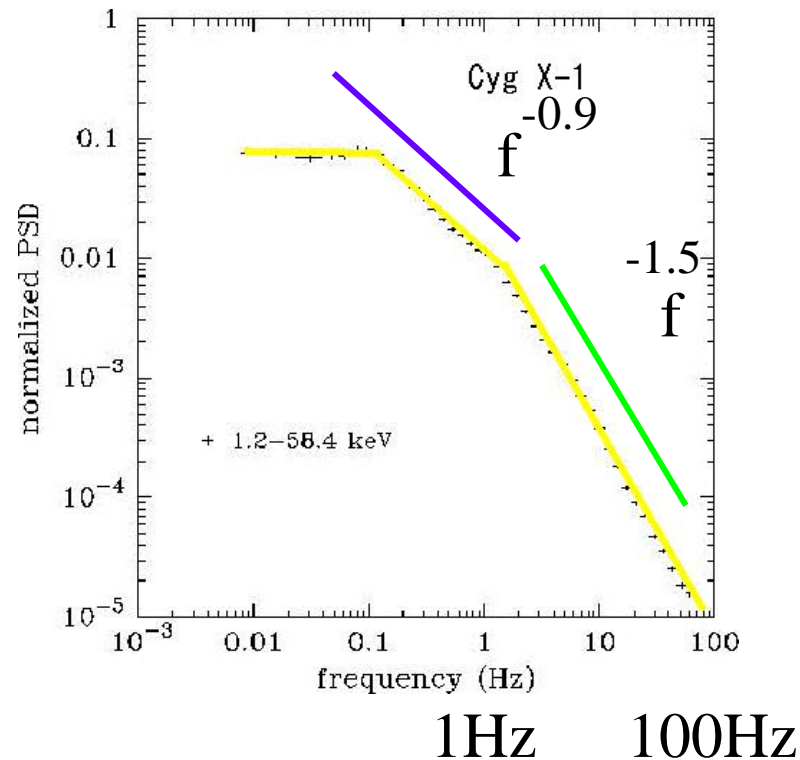
## Magnetic Energy



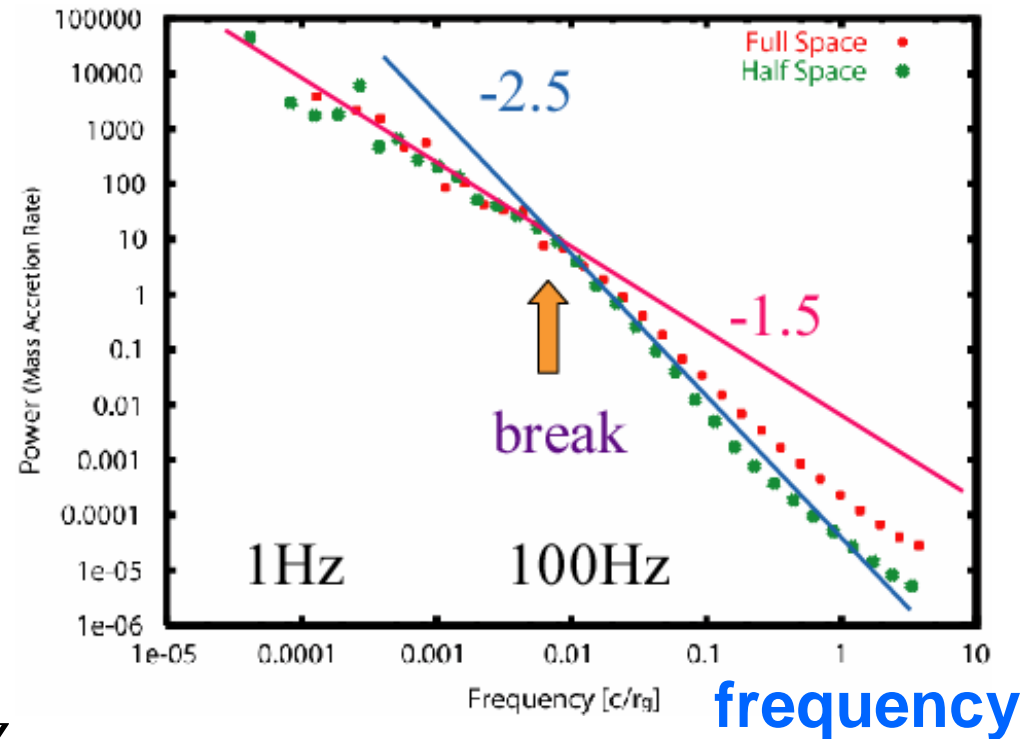
$$\alpha = \langle B_r B_\phi / 4\pi P_0 \rangle$$



# 1/f-noise like time variabilities

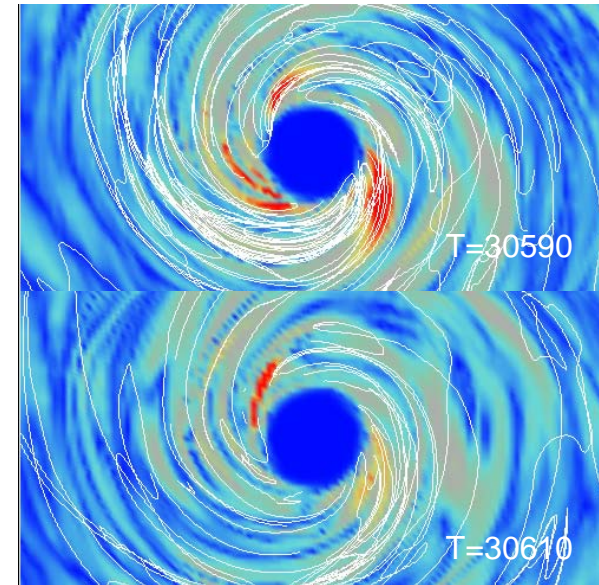
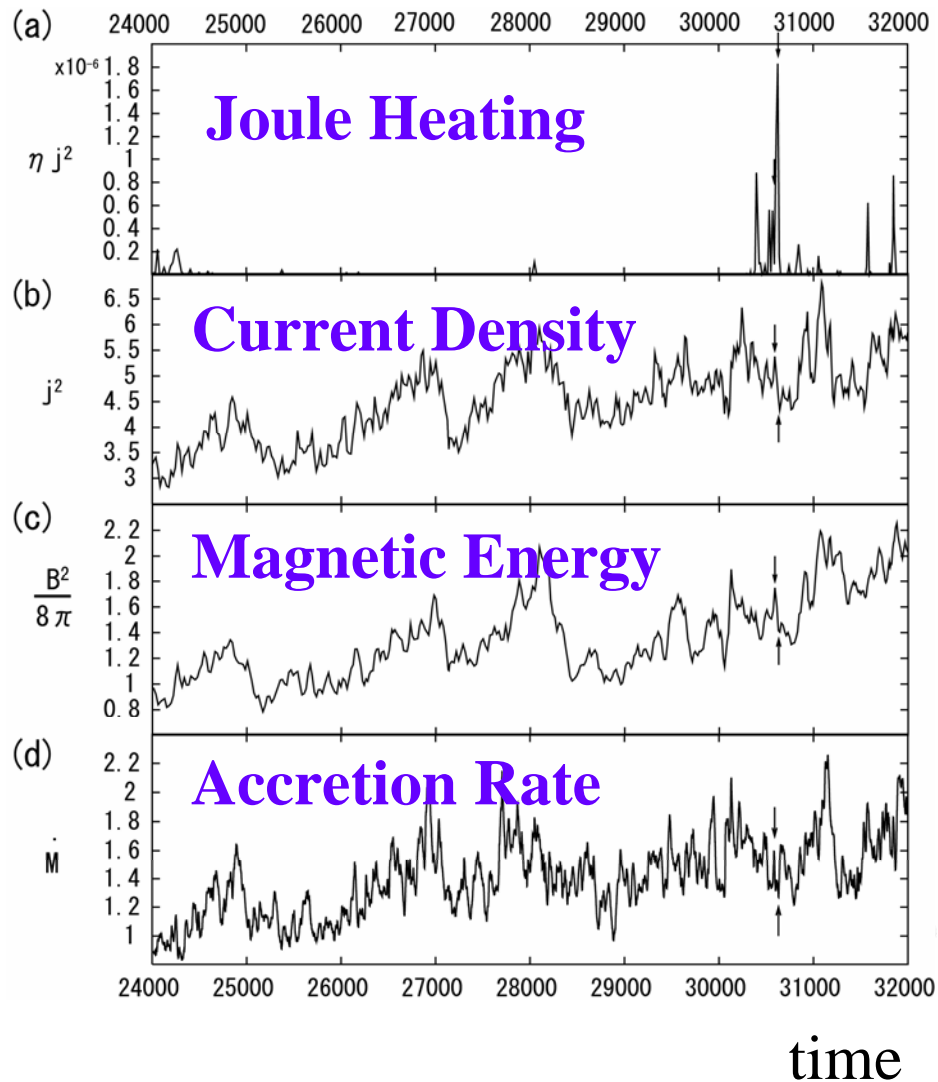


Power spectrum of time variabilities of Cyg X-1

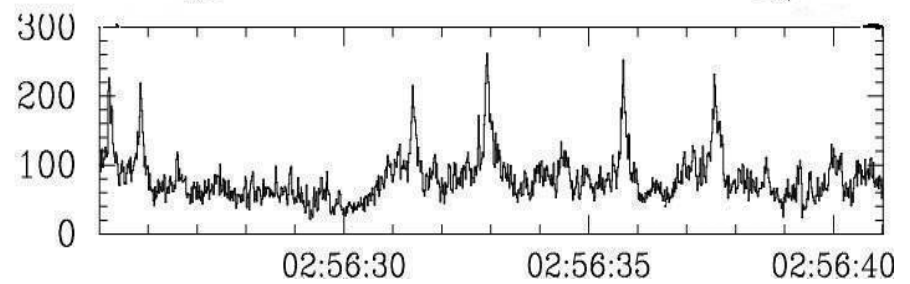


Power spectrum of time variabilities obtained by numerical simulation

# X-ray Shots in Black Hole Accretion Disks

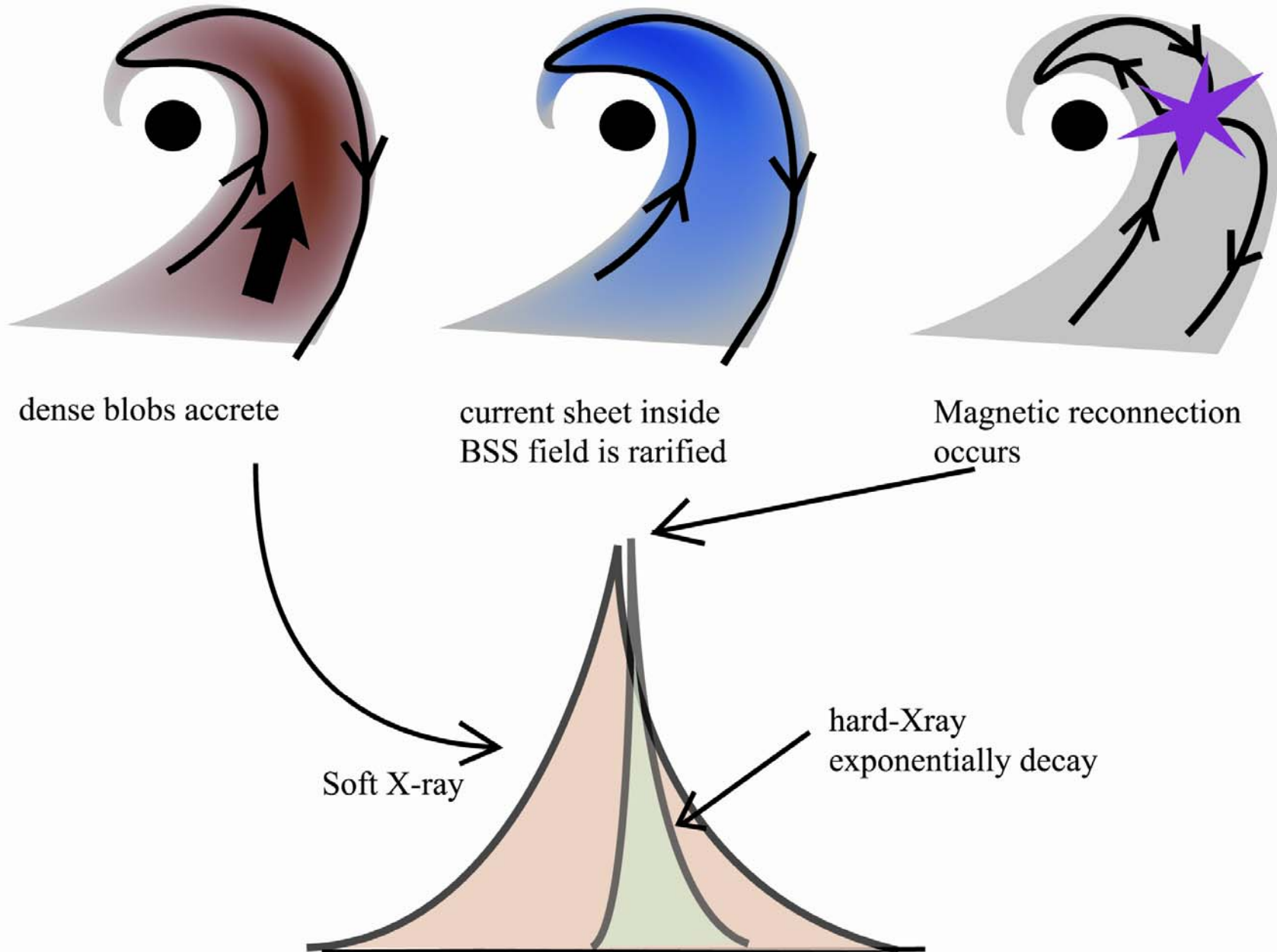


Current density(color)

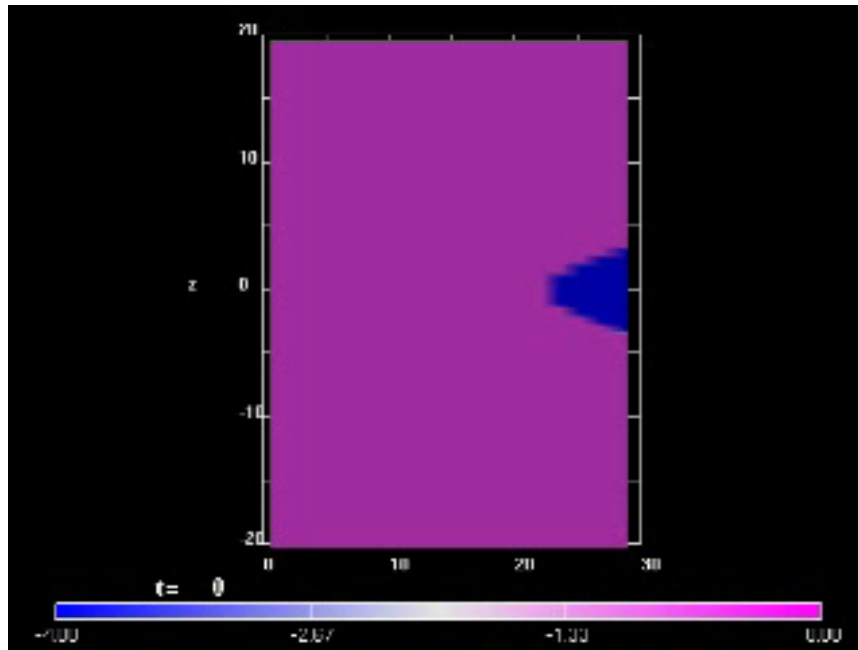


Time variabilities of Cyg X-1

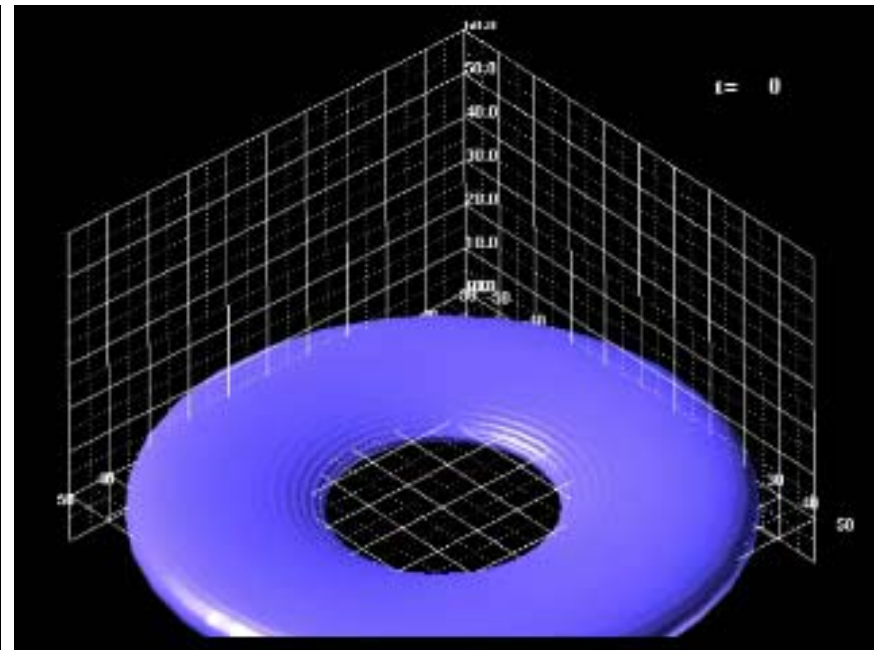
# Schematic picture of X-ray shot based on MHD simulation



# Formation of Outflows from Accretion Disks

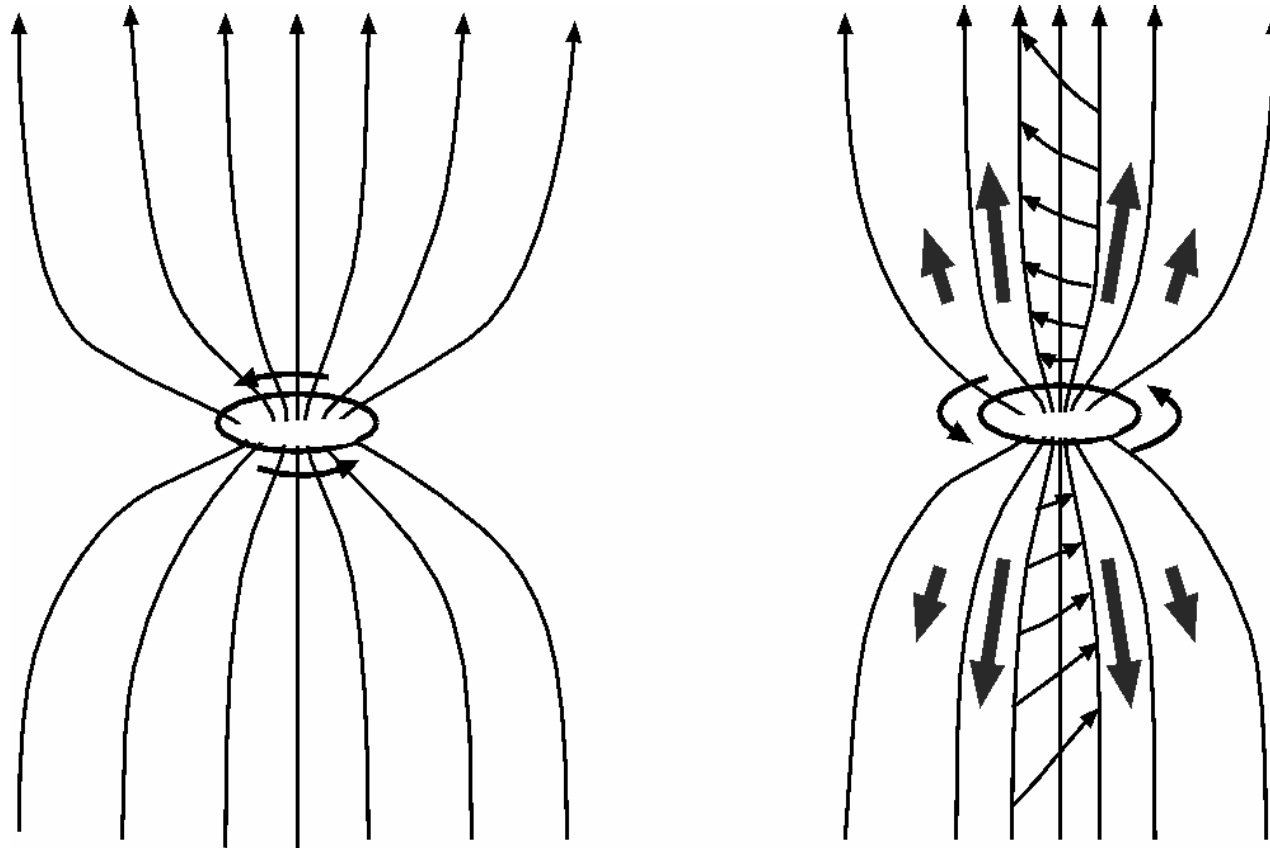


temperature



Isosurface of vertical velocity

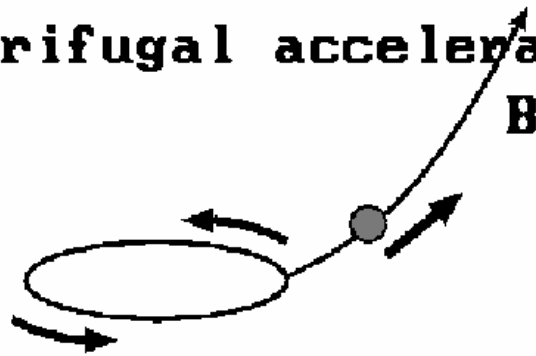
# Uchida-Shibata Model



A schematic picture of Uchida-Shibata (1985) model. They carried out global 2D MHD simulation including accretion disk.

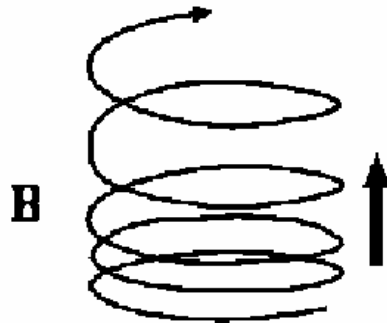
# Two Mechanisms of Acceleration of MHD Jets and Outflows

**centrifugal acceleration**

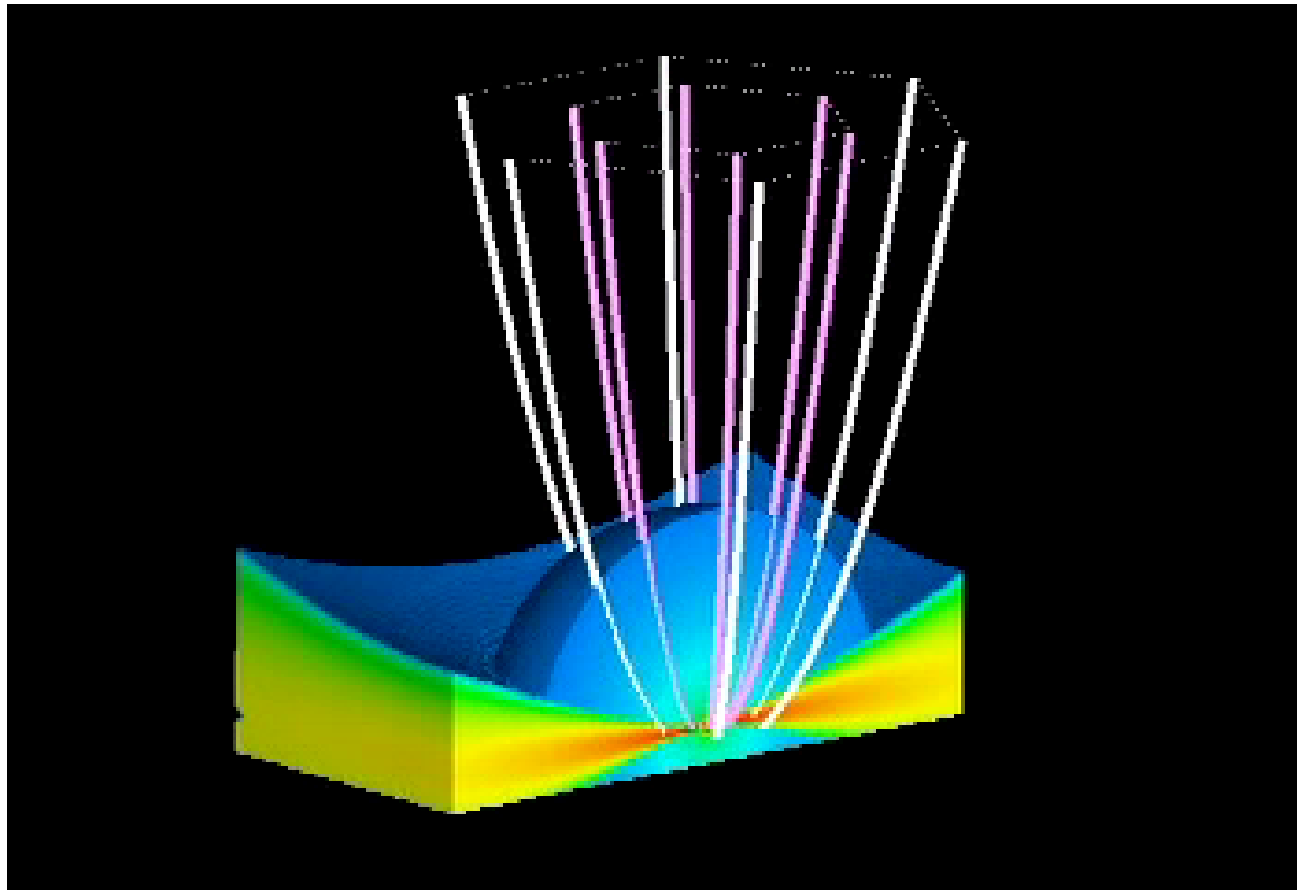


Blandford and Payne 1982

**magnetic pressure acceleration**



# MHD Simulation of Jet Formation



Kodoh et al. 2002



# Questions for Nonsteady MHD Models of Jet Formation

- Are you simulating transient phenomena depending on the initial condition ?
- Does the system approach to a steady state ?

A: In ideal MHD simulations the jet formation is time dependent and intermittent but we can understand the acceleration mechanism of nonsteady jets by applying steady theory of magnetically driven jets

# Steady Model of Axisymmetric Jets (Kudoh and Shibata 1997)

$$P = K\rho^\gamma ,$$

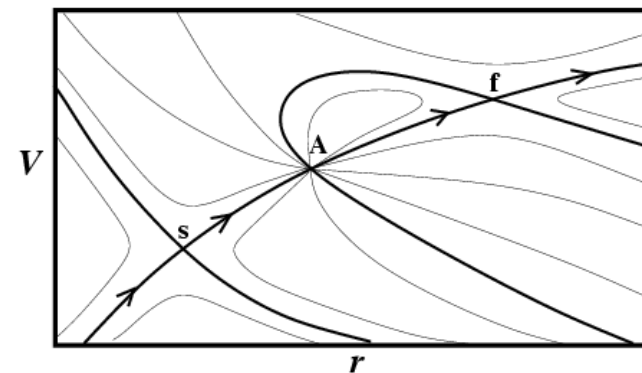
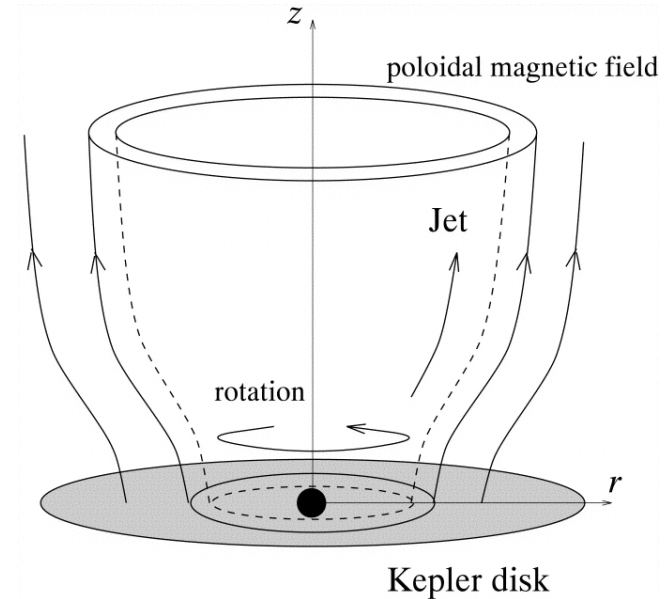
$$\rho v_p = \lambda B_p ,$$

$$(v_\phi - \Omega r)B_p = v_p B_\phi ,$$

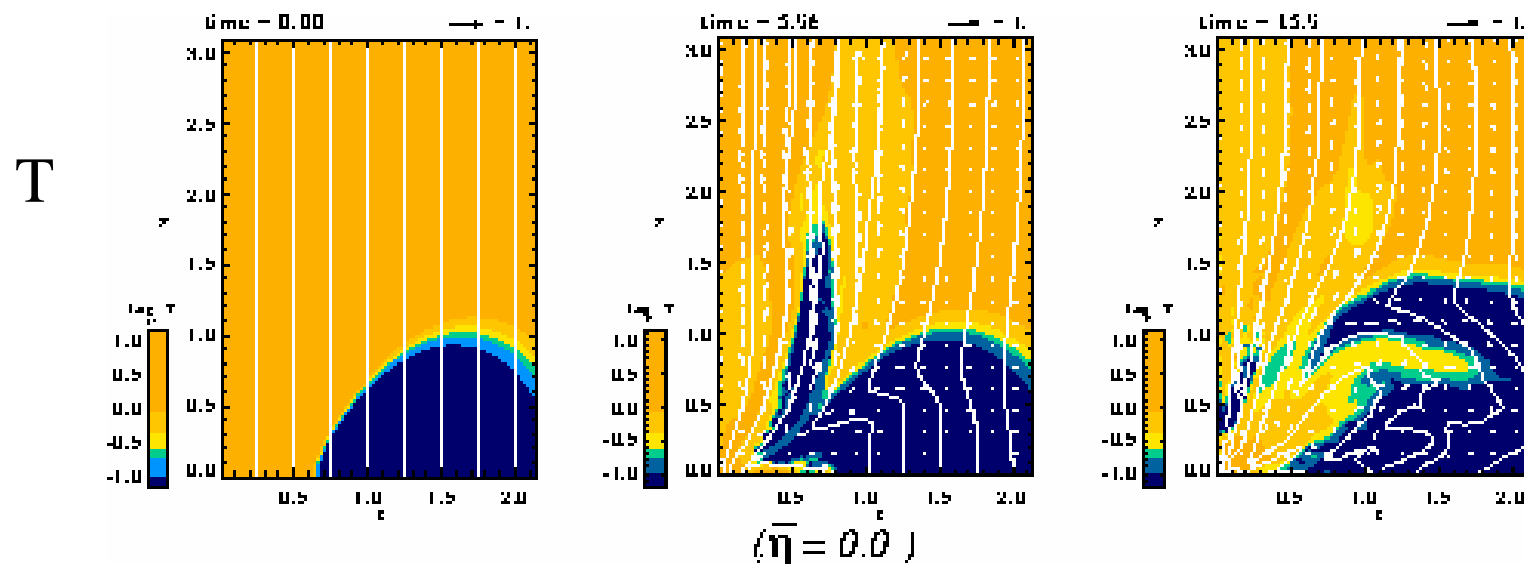
$$r\left(v_\phi - \frac{B_\phi}{4\pi\lambda}\right) = L ,$$

$$\frac{1}{2} v_p^2 + \frac{1}{2} v_\phi^2 + \frac{\gamma}{\gamma - 1} \frac{P}{\rho} + \Psi_g - \frac{r\Omega B_\phi}{4\pi\lambda} = E$$

Along a Magnetic Field Line

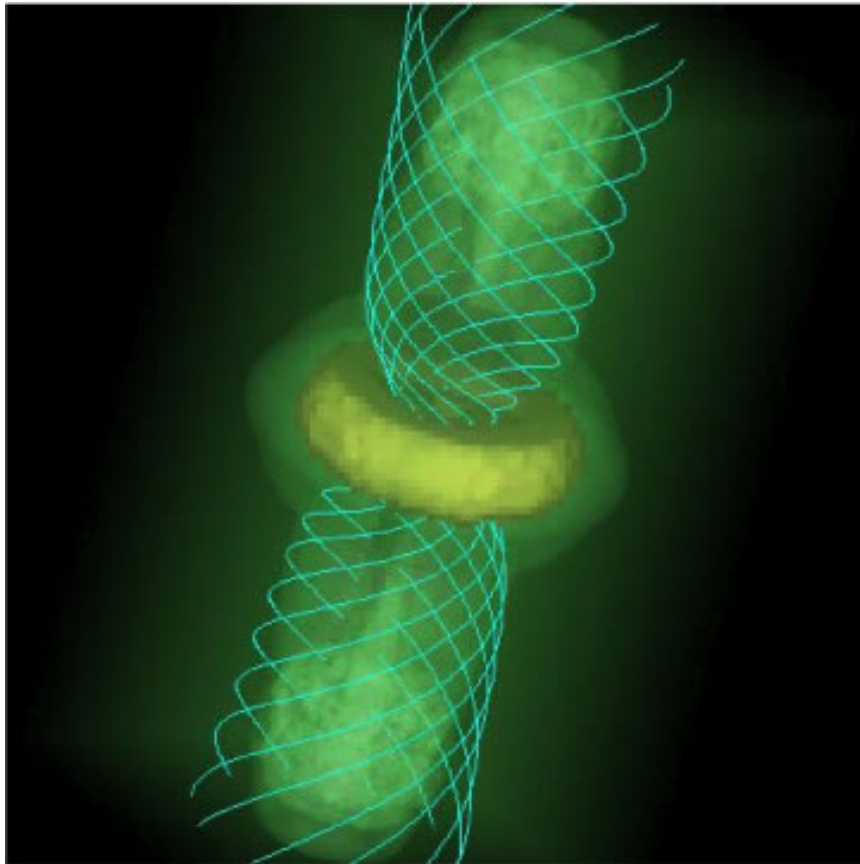


# Ideal MHD Simulations often Show Intermittent Ejections



Result of ideal MHD simulation of jet formation by Kuwabara et al. 2000 (PASJ 52, 1109). Jet ejection takes place intermittently due to the growth of MRI in the disk

# MHD Simulation including Resistivity



$$E_{\text{th}} = \frac{V_{S0}^2}{\gamma V_{K0}^2} = 5 \times 10^{-2}$$

$$E_{\text{mg}} = \frac{V_{A0}^2}{V_{K0}^2} = 5 \times 10^{-4}$$

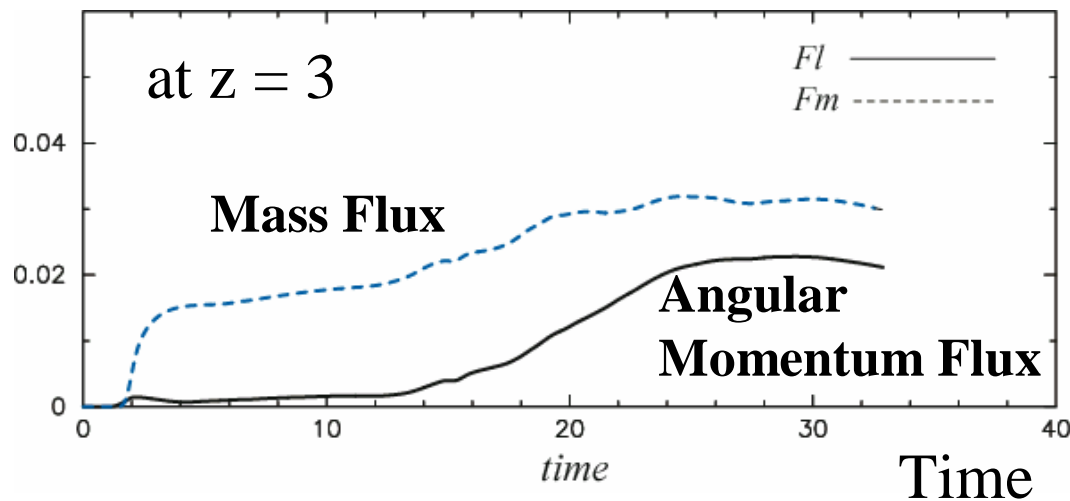
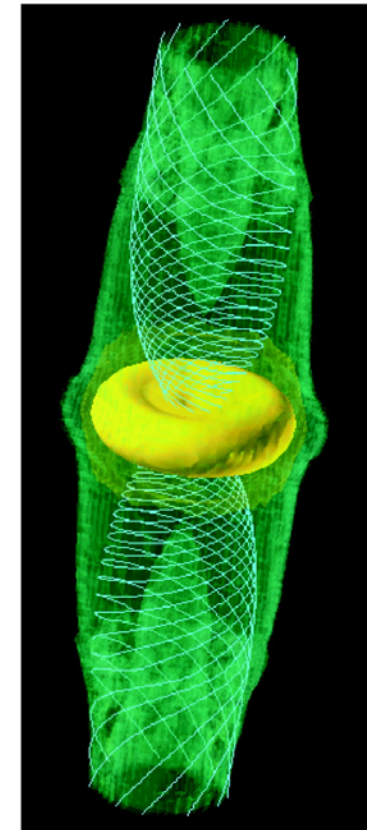
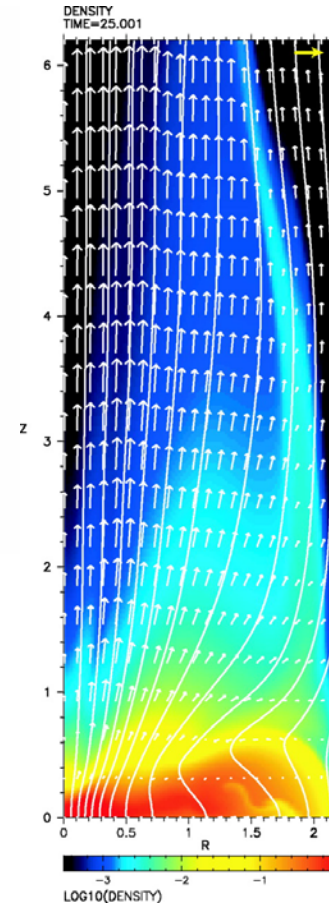
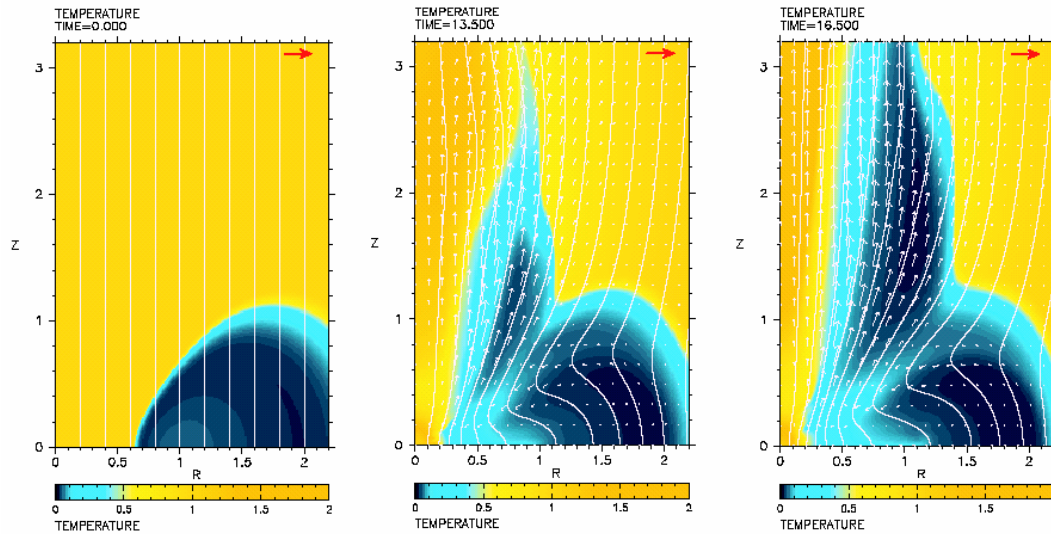
$$\eta = 0.0125 r_0 V_{k0}$$

$$(Rm = 80)$$

Kuwabara et al. 2000  
PASJ 52, 1109

Similar simulations have been carried out by Casse and Keppens (2002,2004)

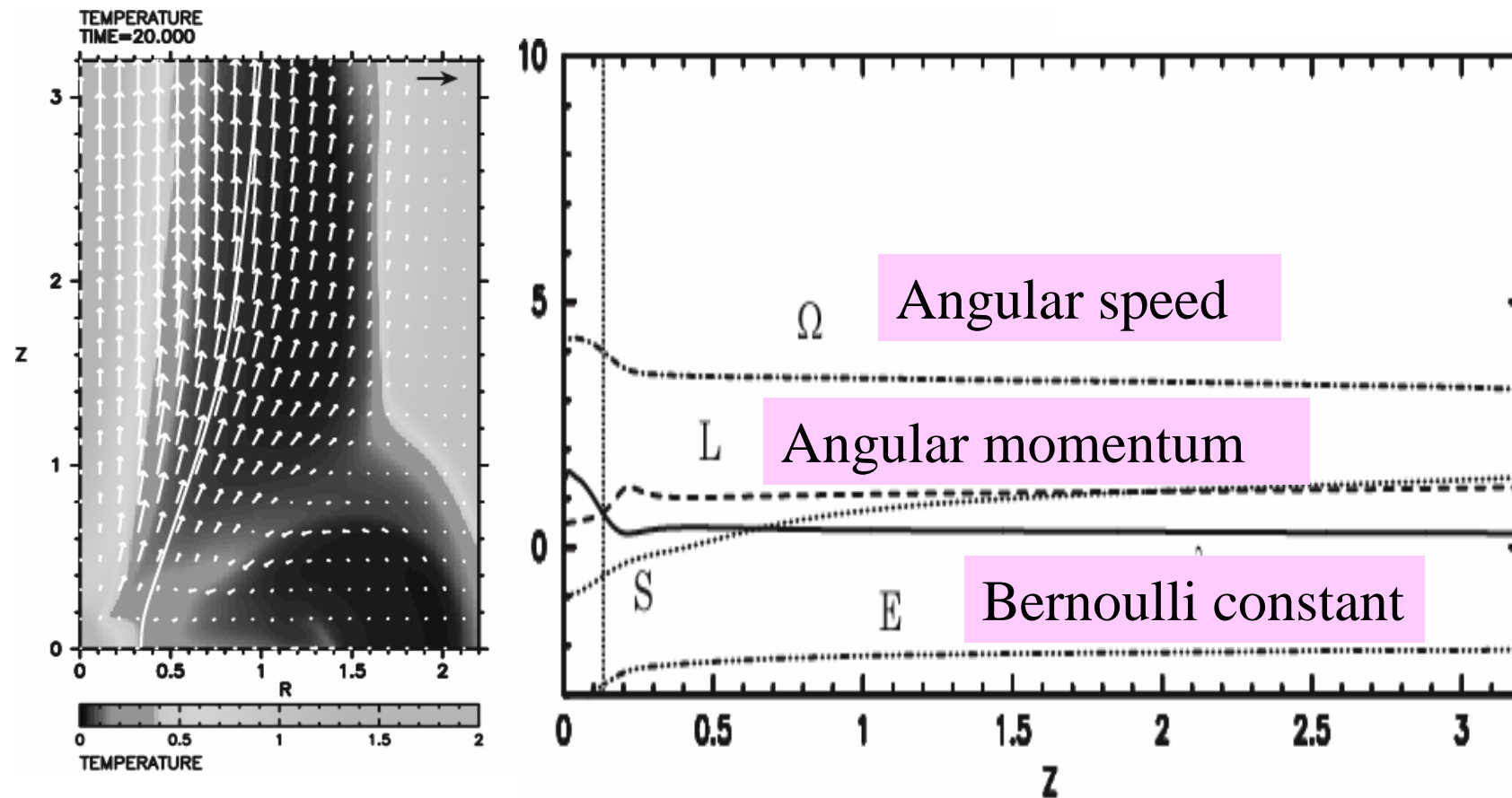
# Formation of a Quasi-Steady Jet



Density distribution at  $t = 25$

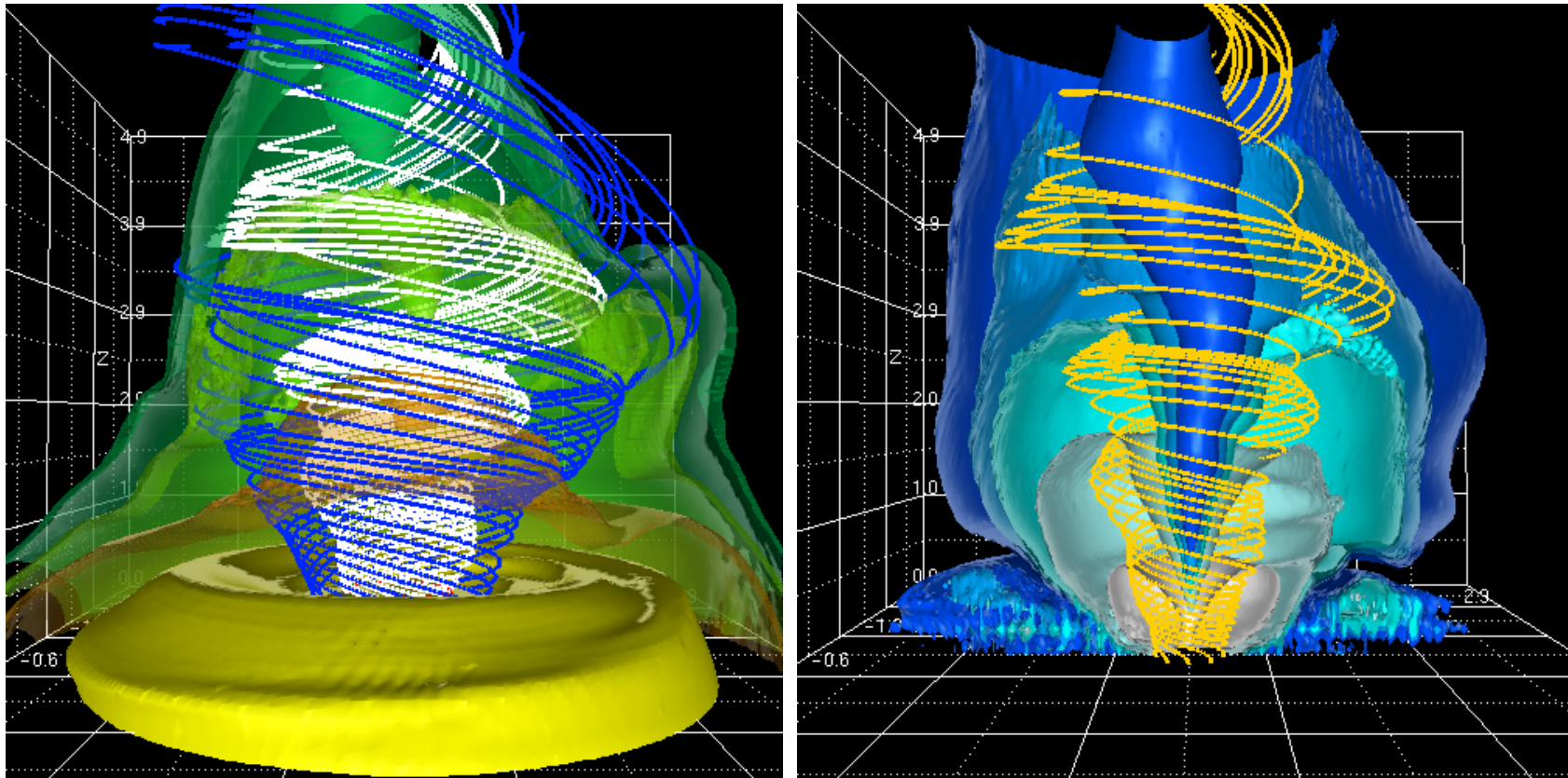
Kuwabara et al. (2005)

# Constancy of Conserved Quantities along a Magnetic Field Line



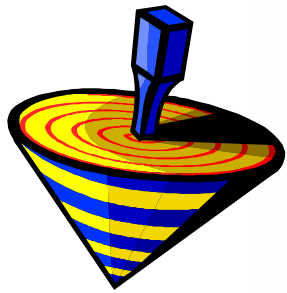
Kuwabara et al. 2005, ApJ 621, 921

# Formation of Wiggle Structure

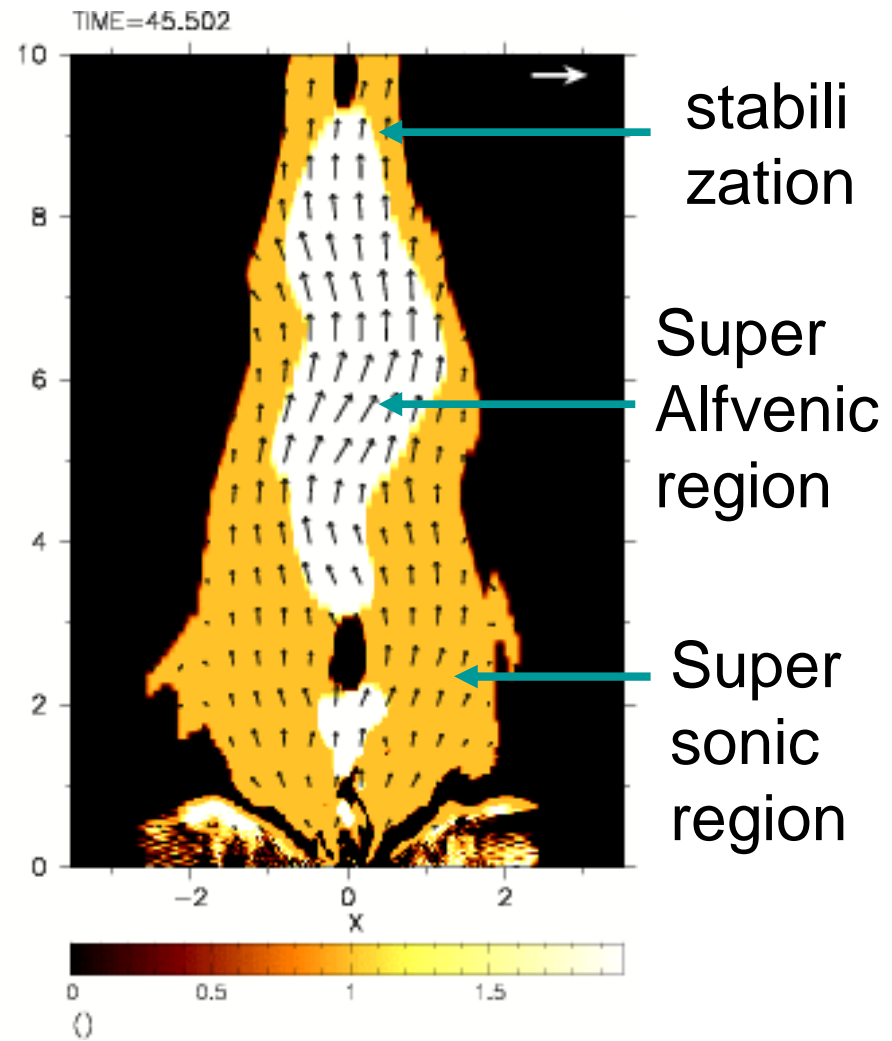
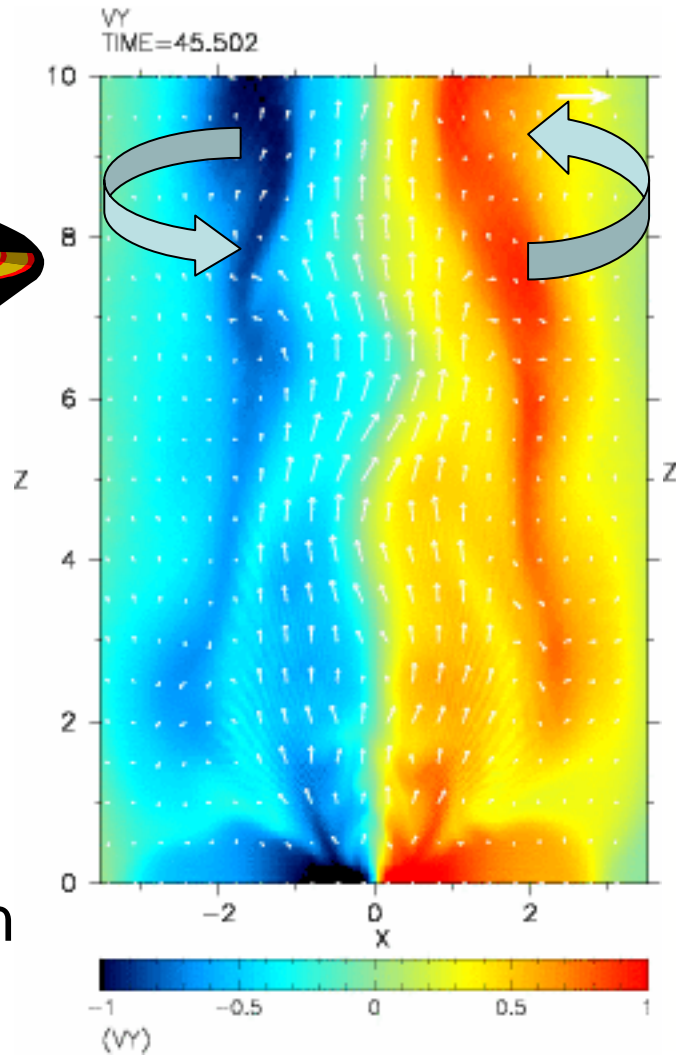


Numerical Result by using Cartesian 3D Code  
( Kuwabara et al. 2006)

# Stabilization by Rotation

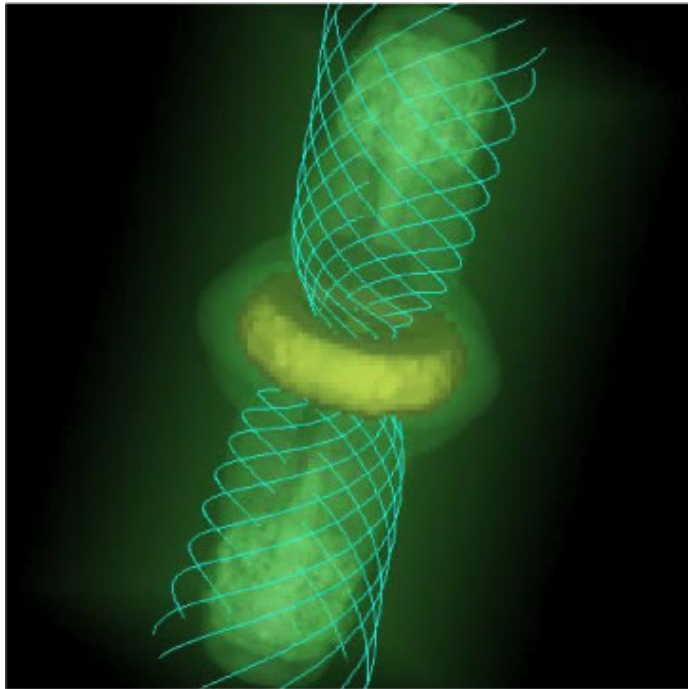


Rotation speed



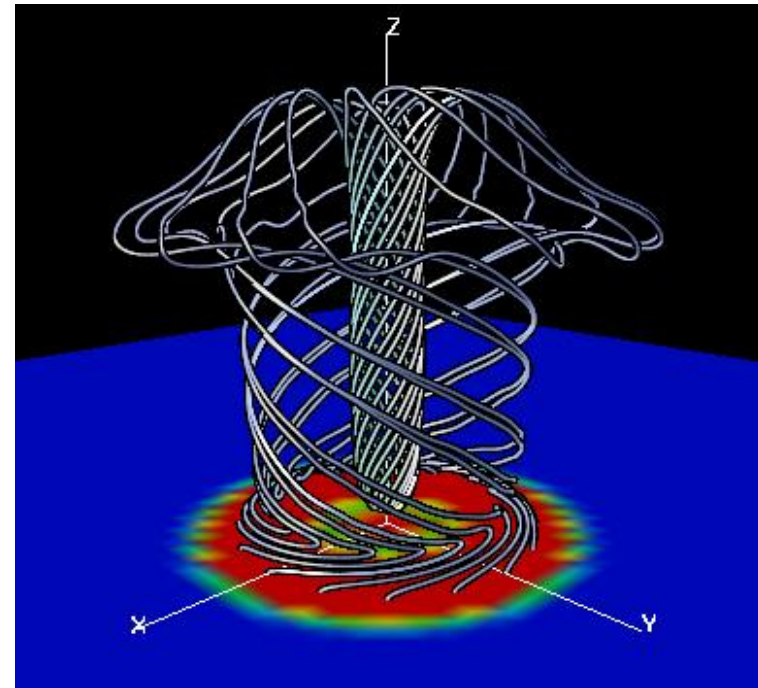


# Two Models of Magnetically Driven Jet



Magneto-centrifugally driven jet

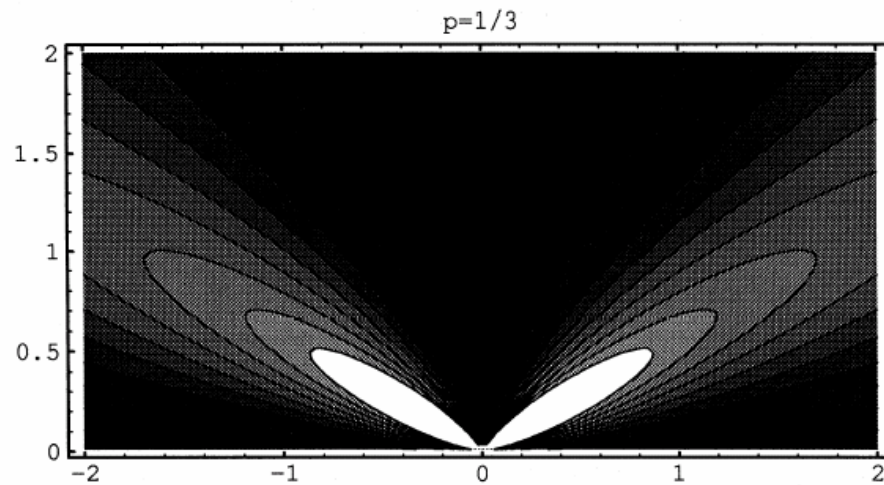
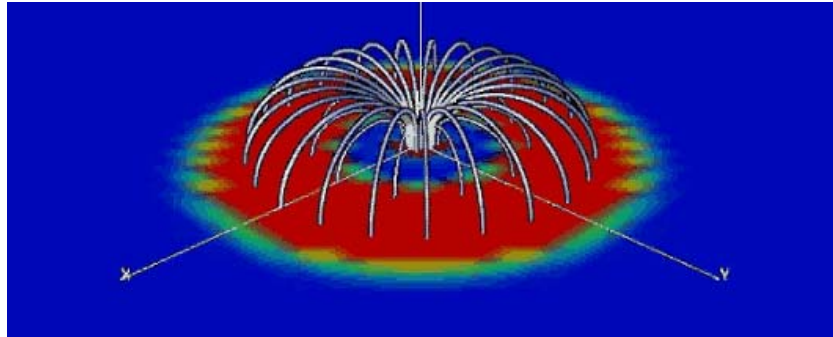
Blandford & Payne (1982),  
Uchida and Shibata (1985)



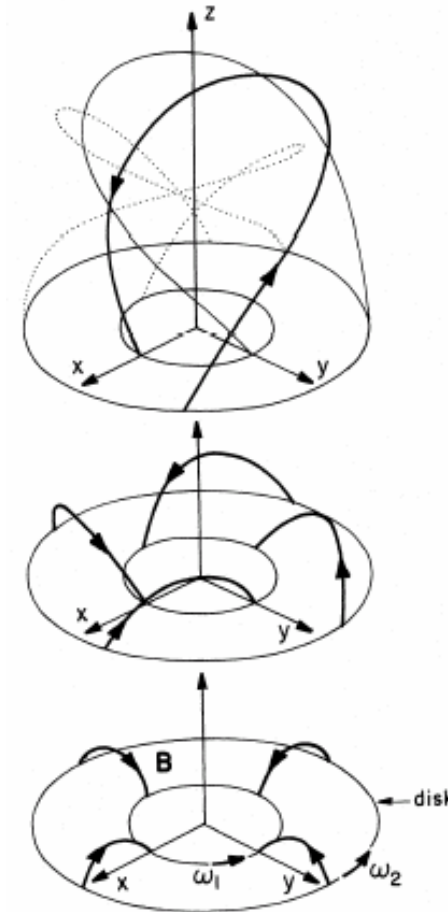
Magnetic tower jet

Lynden-Bell & Boily (1994)  
Kato et al. (2004)

# Inflation of Twisted Poloidal Magnetic Loops

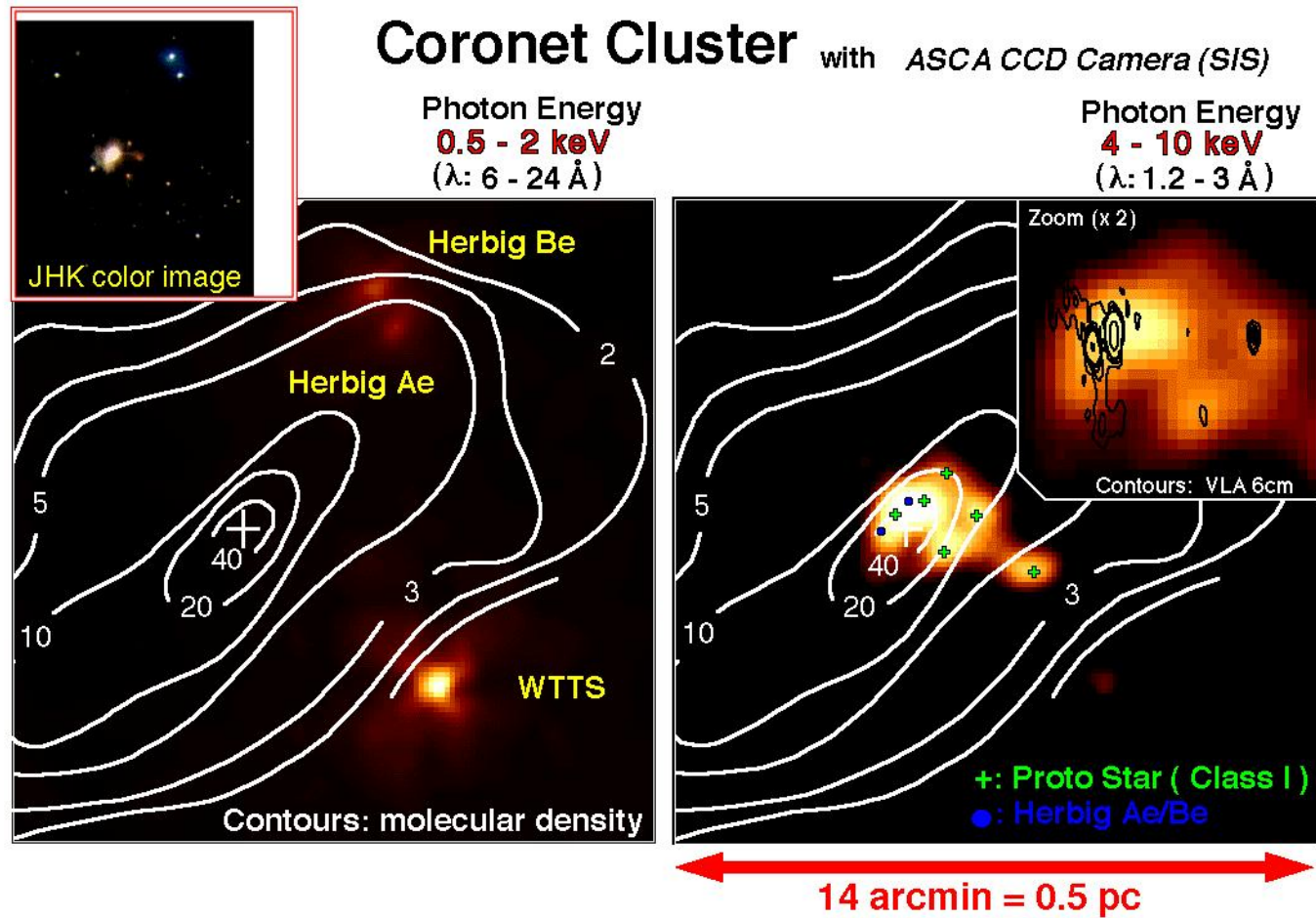


Lynden-Bell and Boily 1994

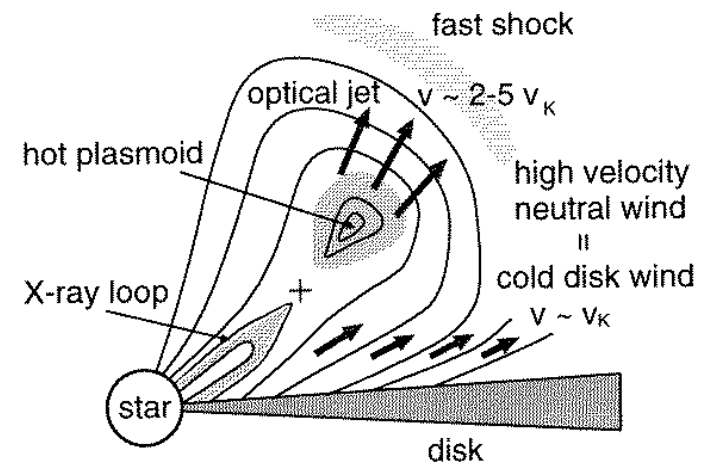
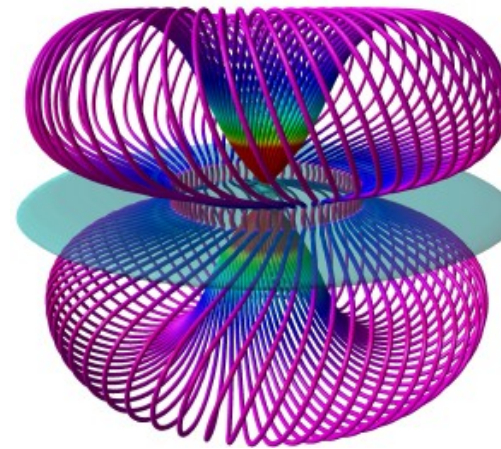
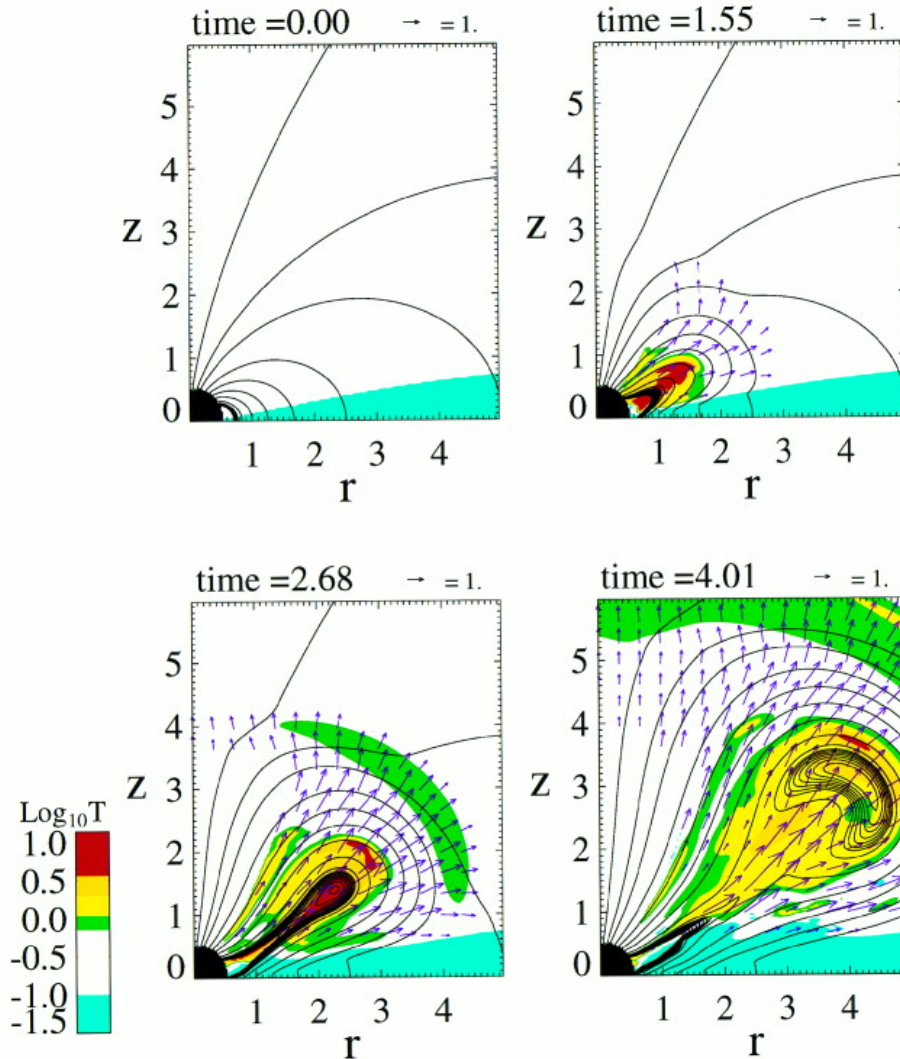


Lovelace et al. 1995

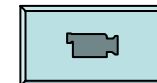
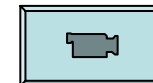
# X-ray Flares in Protostars



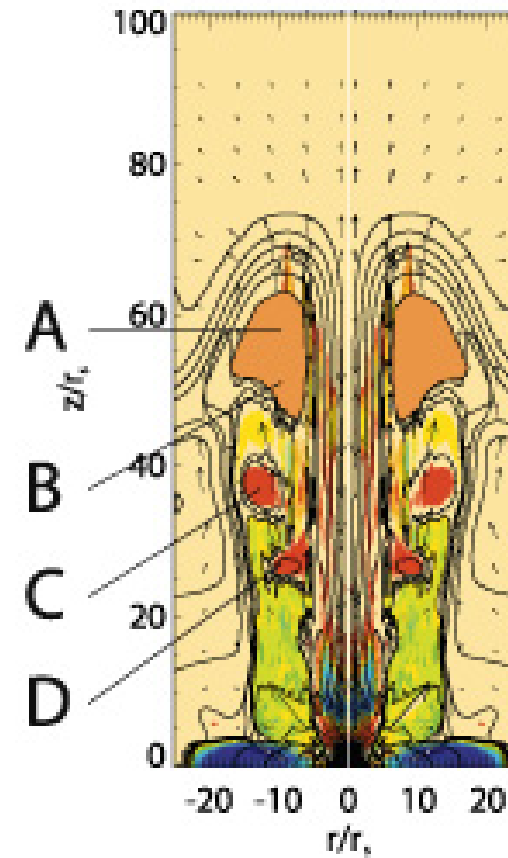
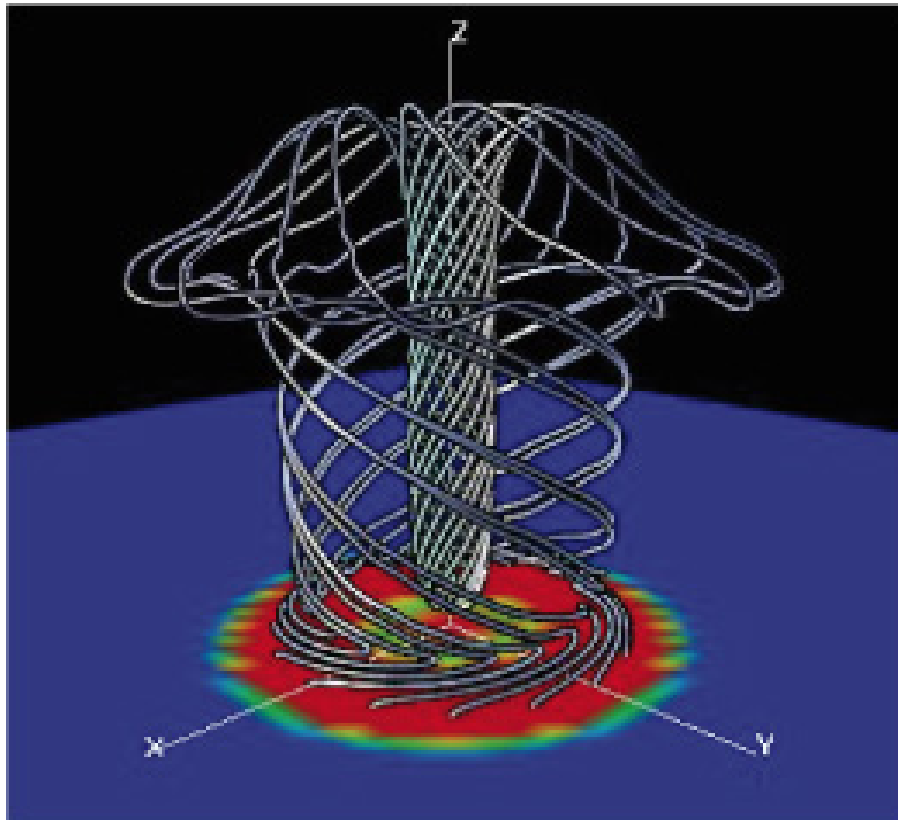
# MHD Simulation of Protostellar Flares



Hayashi, Shibata and Matsumoto 1996



# Numerical Simulation of the Magnetic Tower Jet



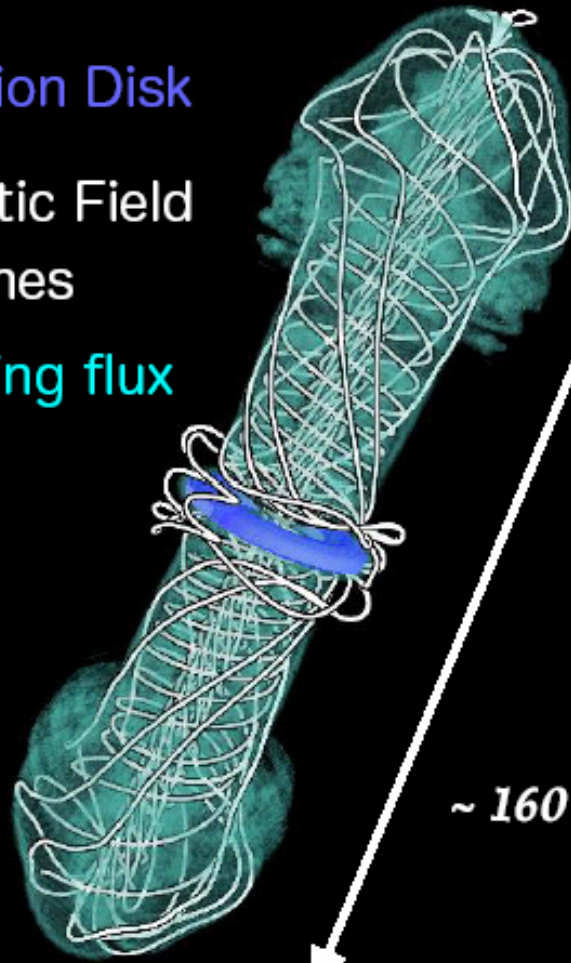
Kato, Hayashi, Matsumoto (2004)

# FORMATION OF MAGNETIC-TOWER JETS

Accretion Disk

Magnetic Field  
Lines

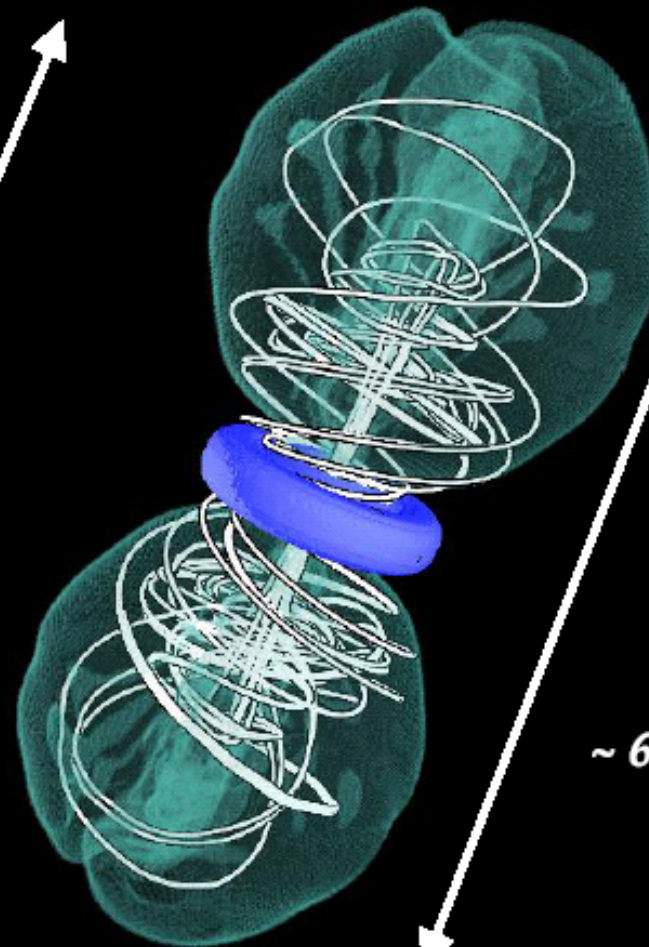
Poynting flux



$\sim 160 r_s$

**Neutron Star + Accretion Disk**

*Kato, Hayashi, Matusmoto 2004 ApJ, 600, 338*

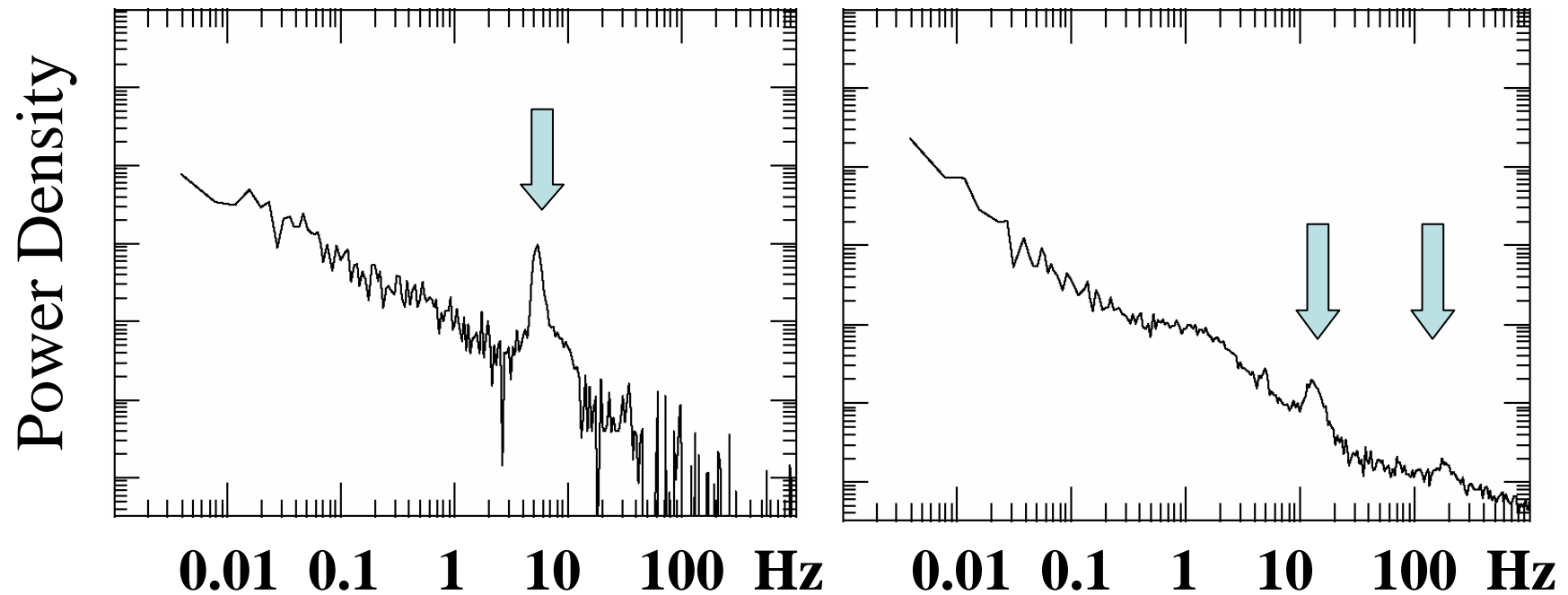


$\sim 600 r_s$

**Black Hole + Accretion Disk**

*Kato, Mineshige, Shibata 2004 ApJ, 605, 307*

# Quasi-Periodic Oscillations ( Q P O s ) in Black Hole Candidates

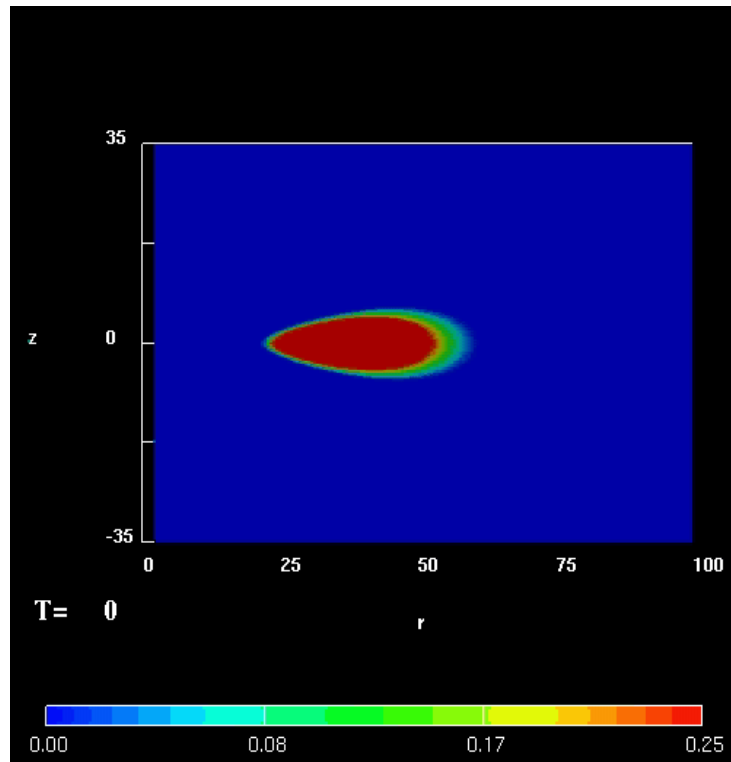


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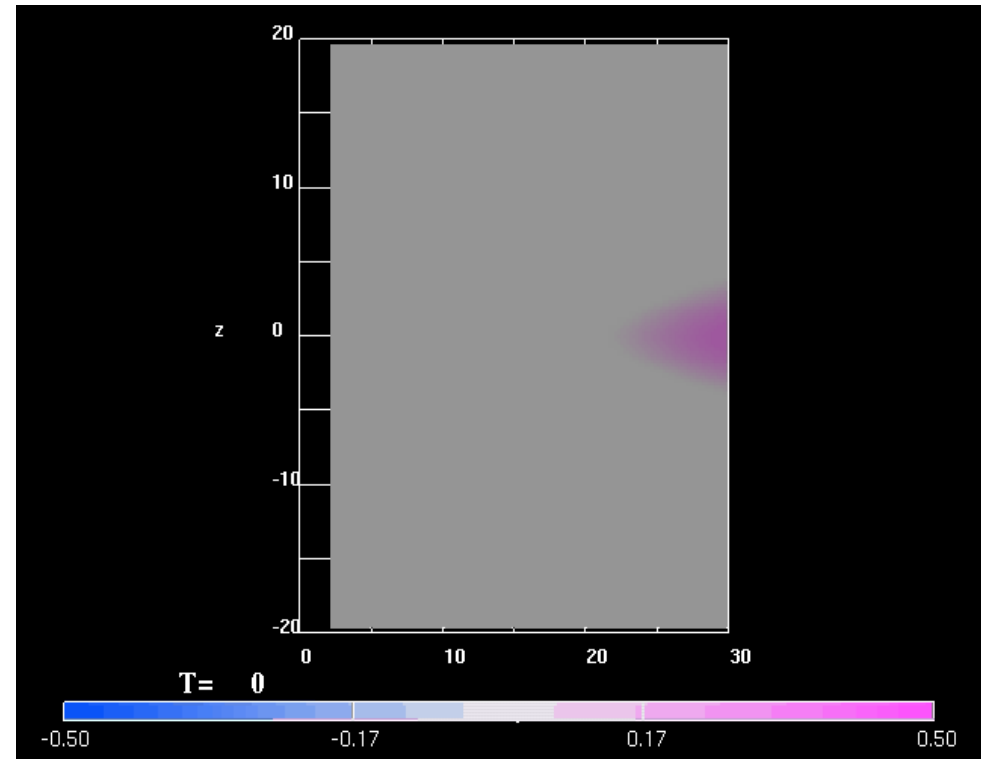
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McClintock and Remillard 2004

# Time Evolution of Cool Disk



Density distribution

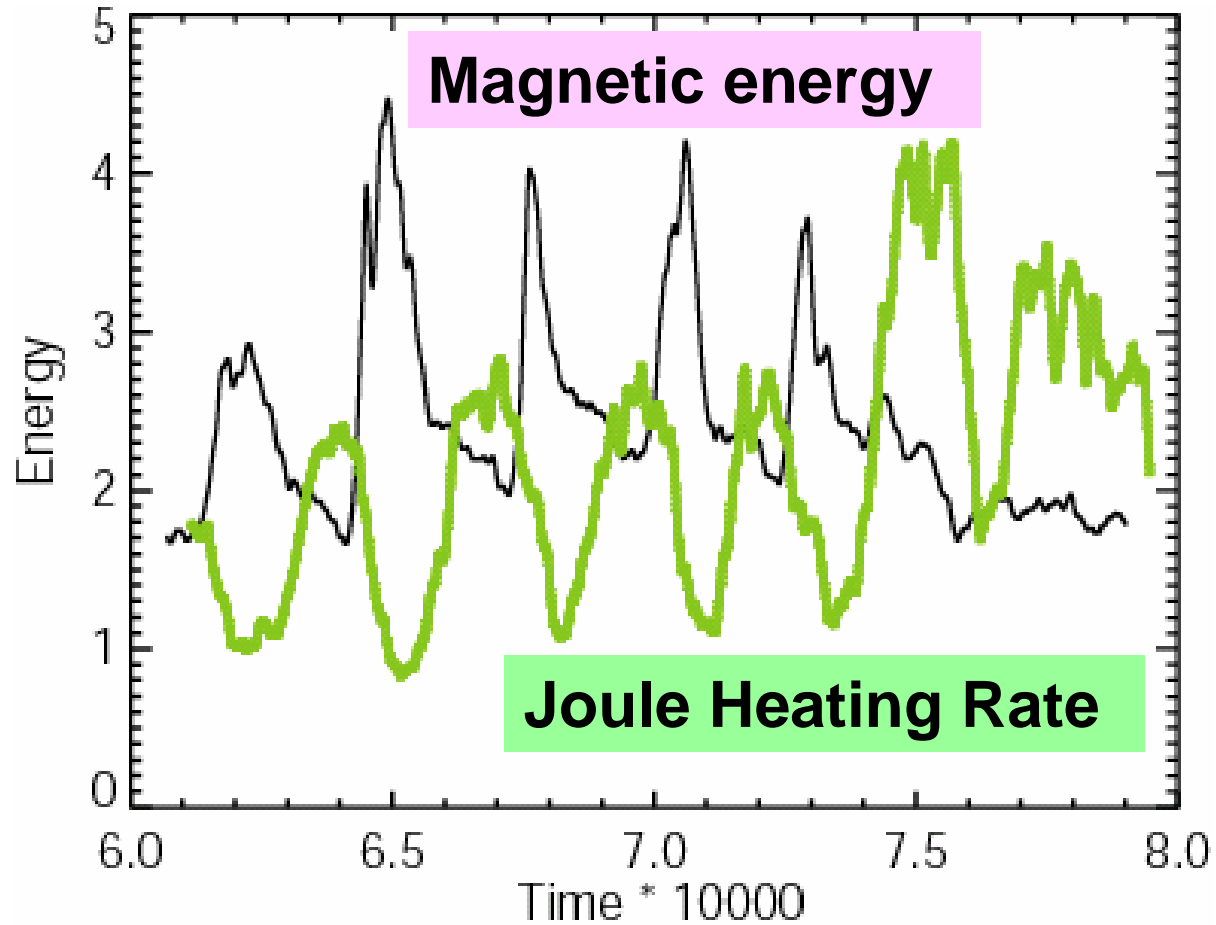


Toroidal magnetic field





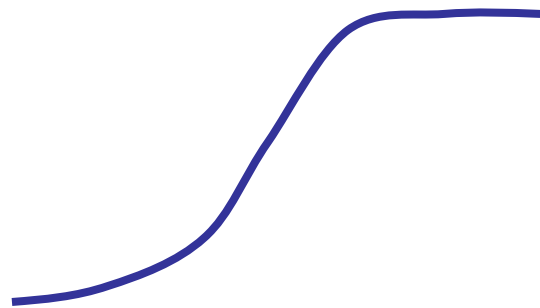
# Sawtooth-like Oscillation



# Sawtooth-like Oscillation in Nonlinear Systems

- Sawtooth oscillation takes place when instability and dissipation coexists

When dissipation is large

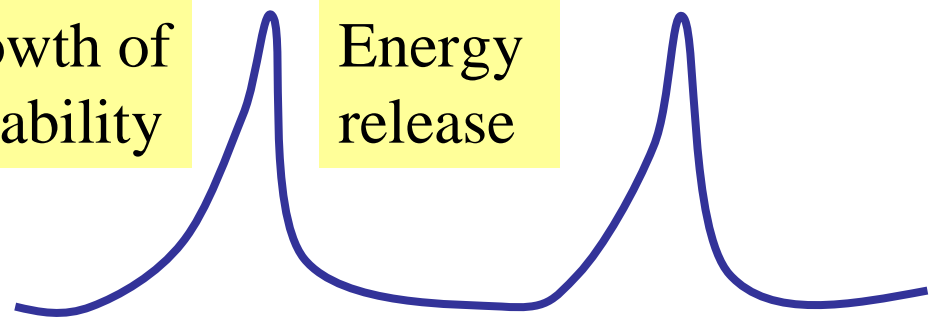


Approaches to a quasi-steady state

When dissipation is small

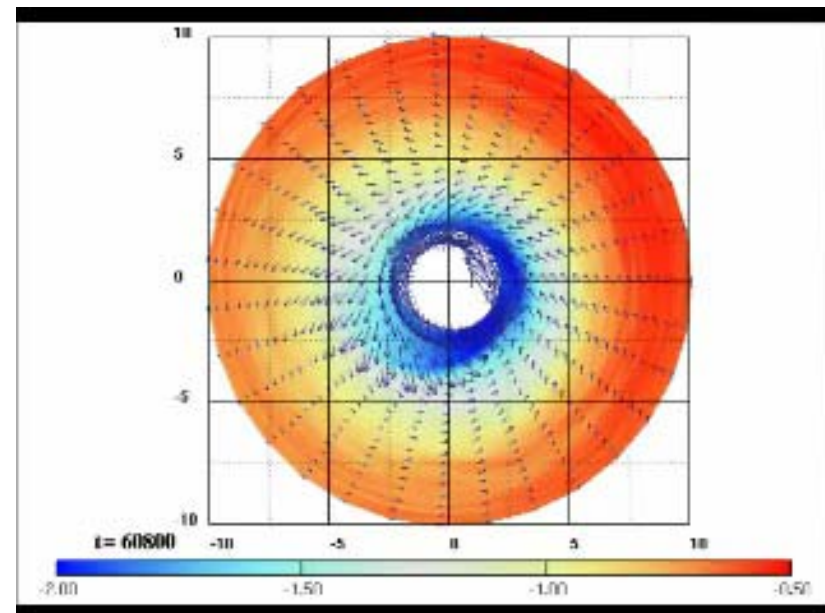
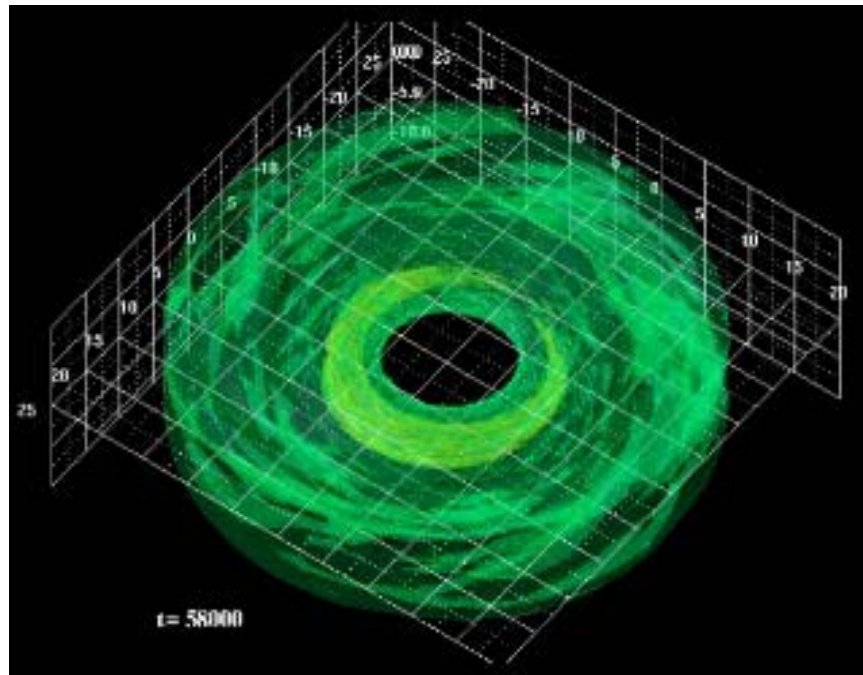
Growth of  
instability

Energy  
release

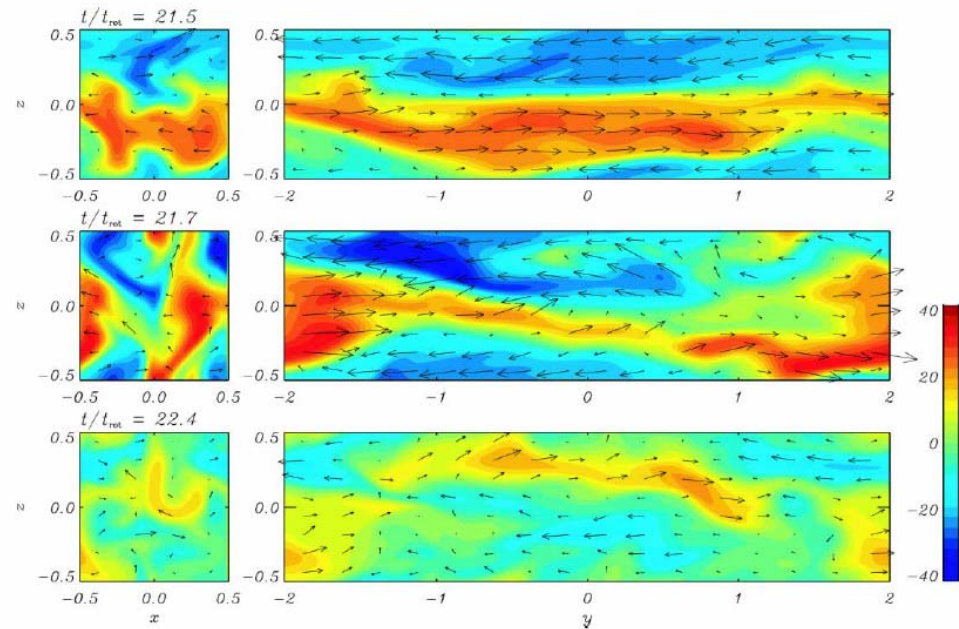
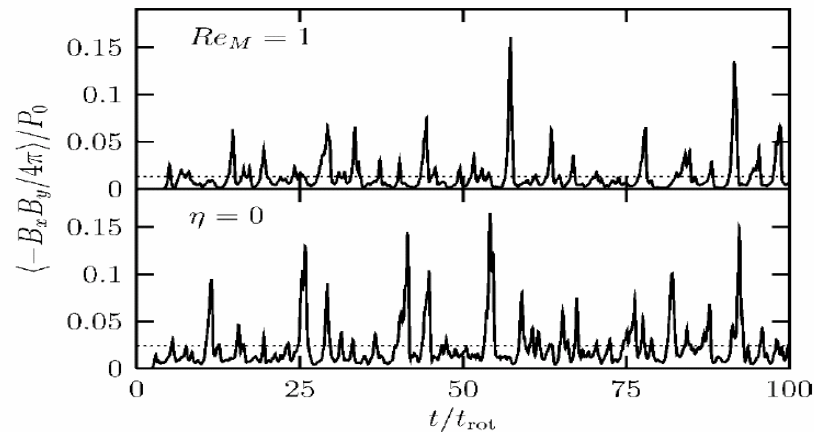
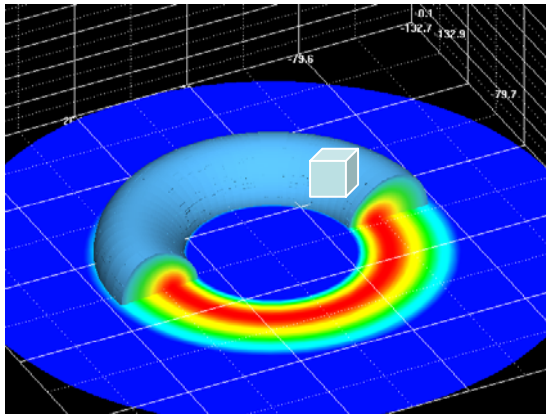


Sawtooth oscillation

# Growth and Disruption of $m=1$ Non-axisymmetric Mode

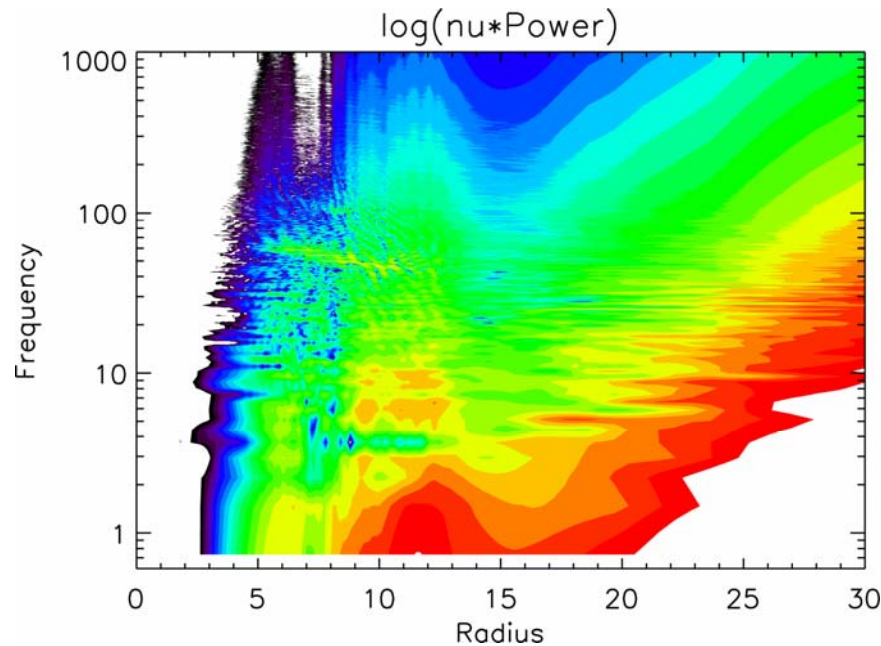


# Similar Behaviors have been Observed in Resistive 3D Local MHD Simulations

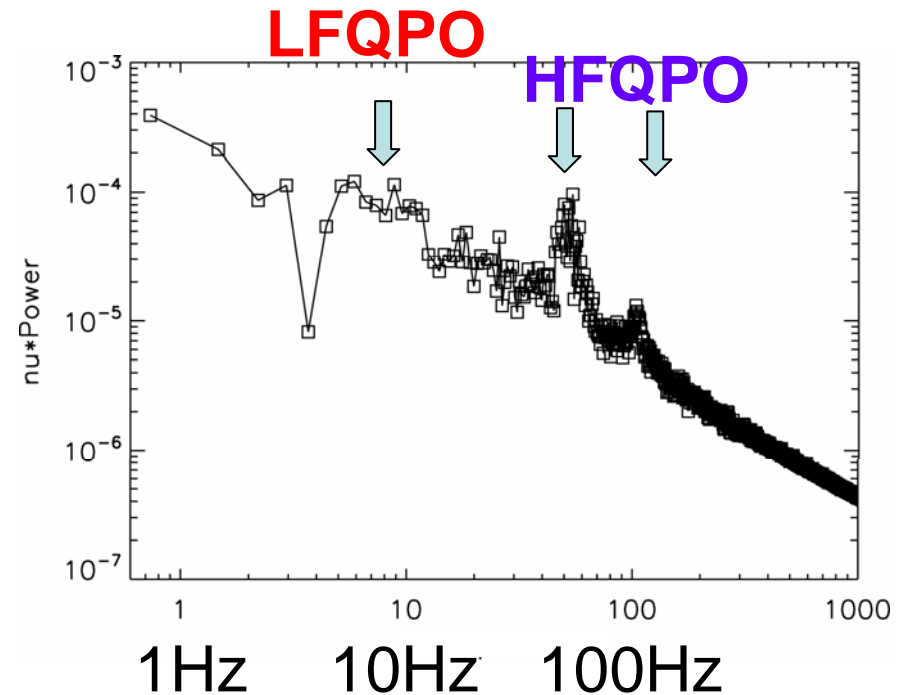


Sano and Inutsuka 2001

# High Frequency QPOs are Excited during Sawtooth-like Oscillation

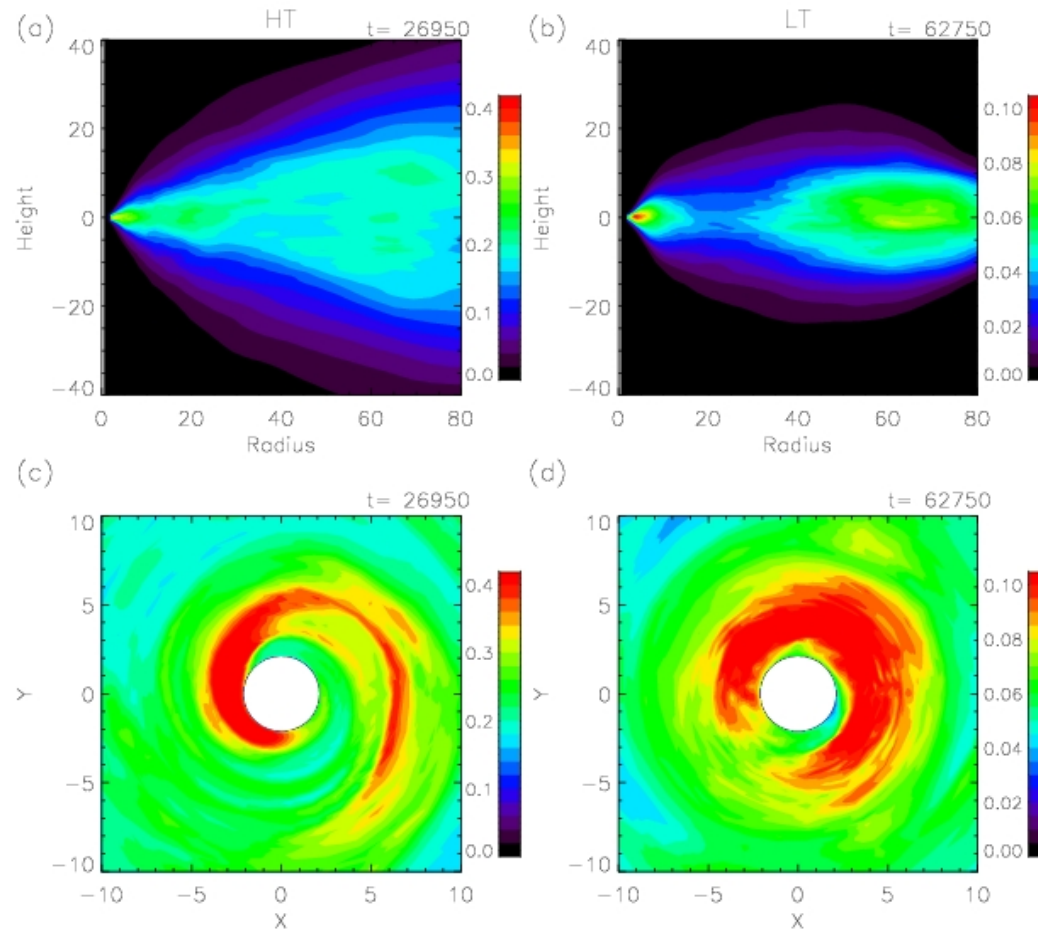


Distribution of power spectrum of oscillation



Power spectrum of luminosity variation

# Why QPOs Appear in Low Temperature Disks ?

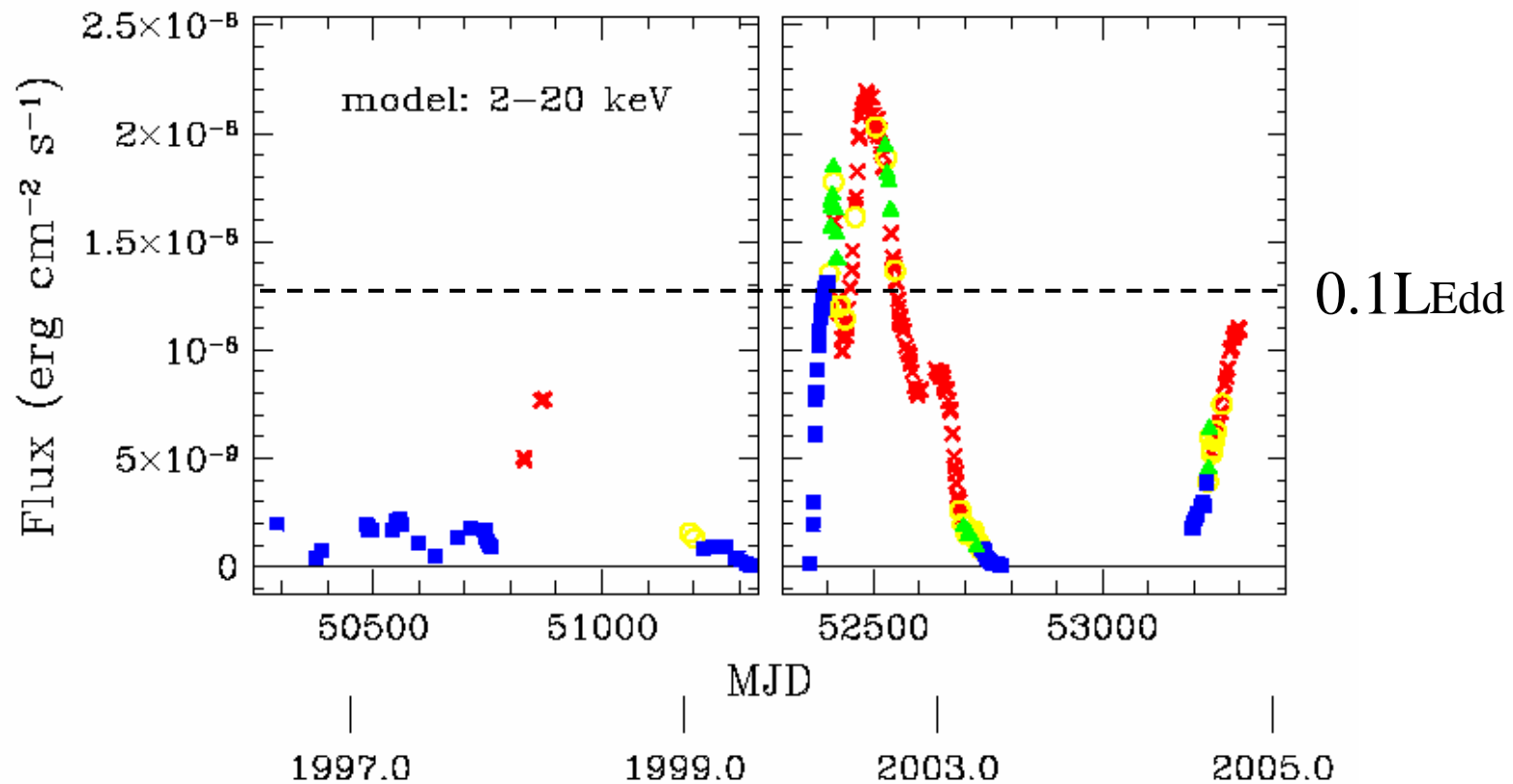


High temperature(HT) model

Low temperature (LT) model

Formation of the Inner Torus is Essential for QPOs

# State Transitions of Black Hole Candidates

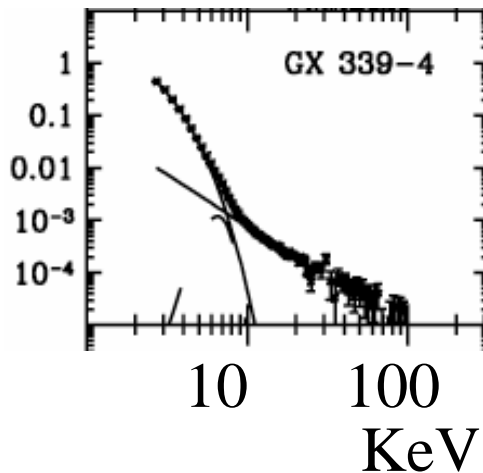


Light Curve of GX339-4 during outbursts (Remillard 2005)

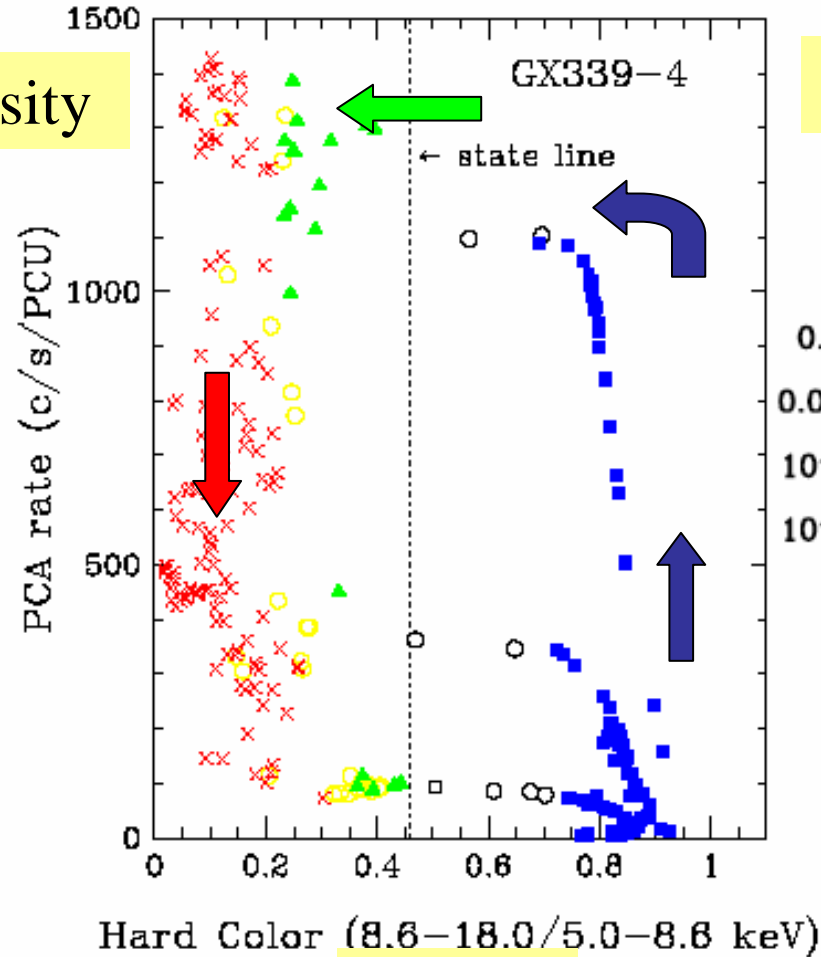
# Evolution in Color-Luminosity Diagram (HR Diagram)

Luminosity

Soft state



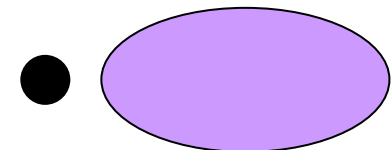
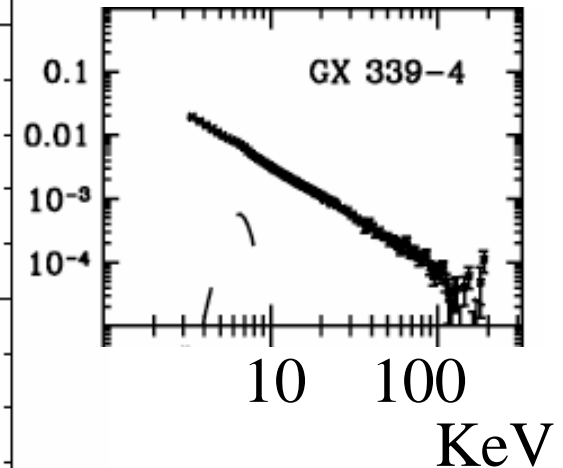
Optically thick  
cold disk



Color

Remillard 2005

Hard state



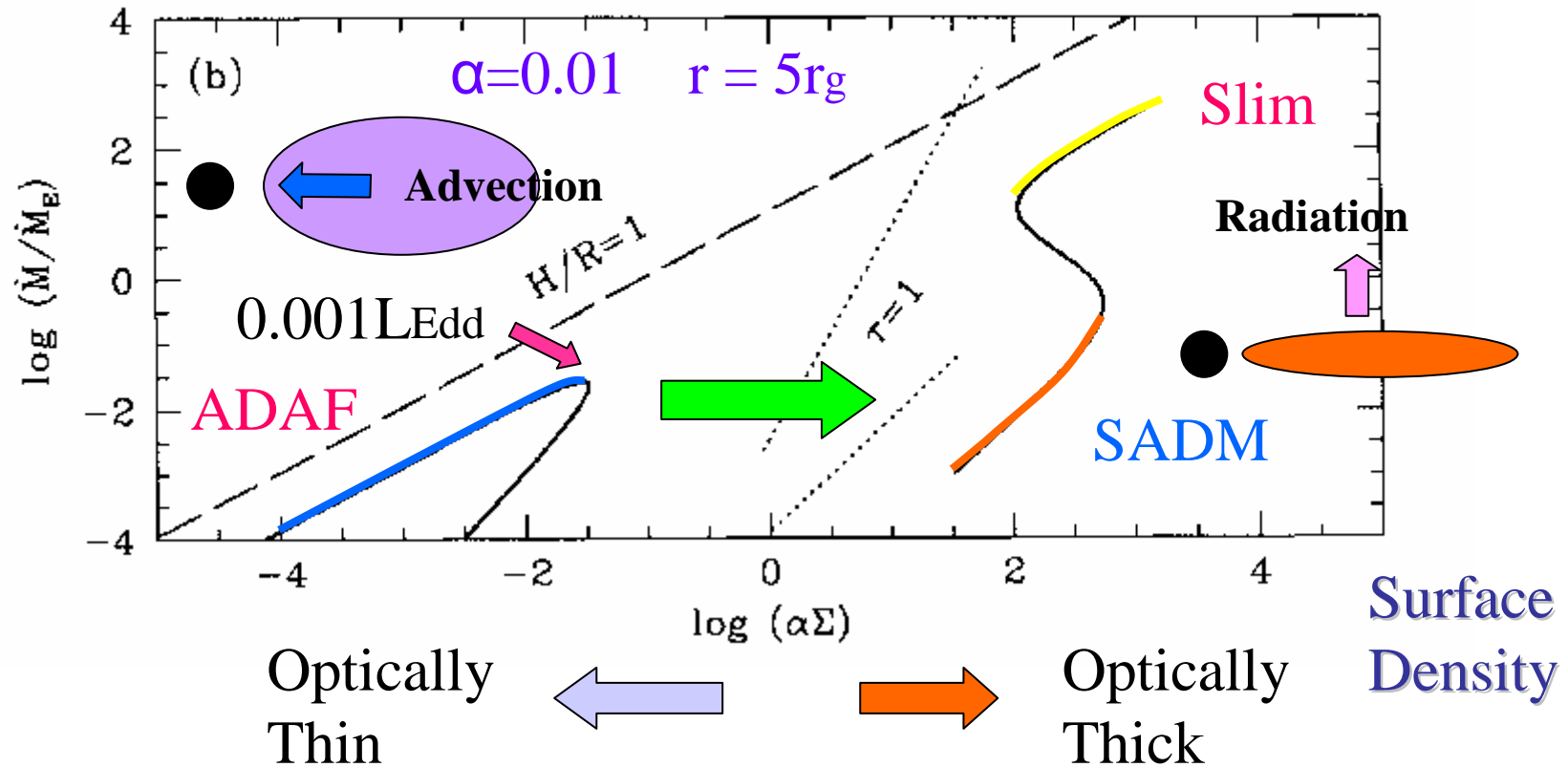
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# Conventional Theory Failed to Explain Luminous Hard State Observed During the Hard-to-Soft Transition (Too Dark !)

Accretion Rate

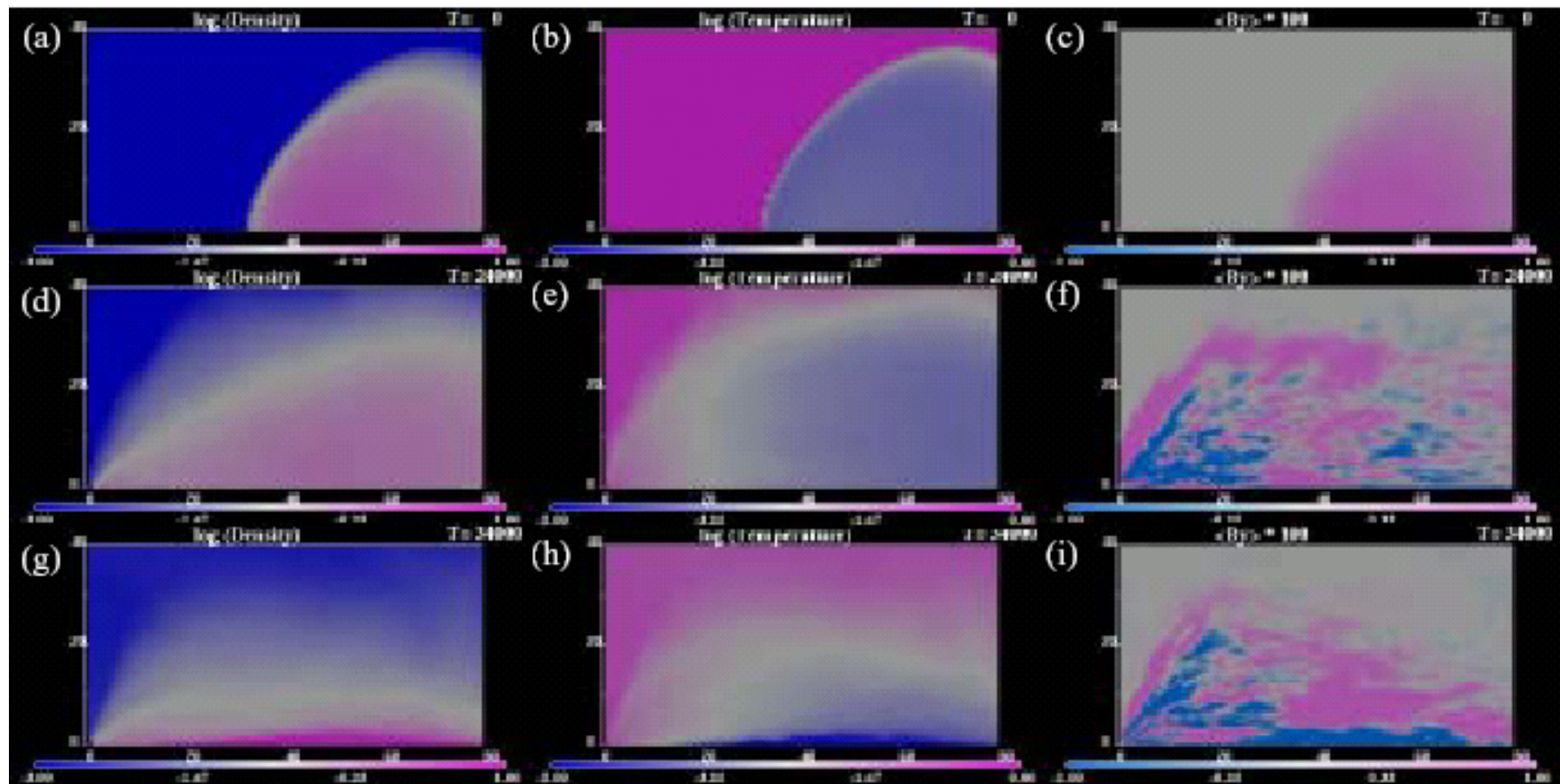
Abramowicz et al. 1995



# 3D MHD Simulation Including Optically Thin Radiative Cooling (Machida et al. 2006, PASJ 58, 193)

- Cooling term is switched on after the accretion flow becomes quasi-steady
- We assume bremsstrahlung cooling
$$Q_{\text{rad}} = Q_{\text{b}} \rho^2 T^{1/2}$$
- Cooling is not included in rarefied corona where  $\rho < \rho_{\text{crit}}$

# Transition to Cool Disk

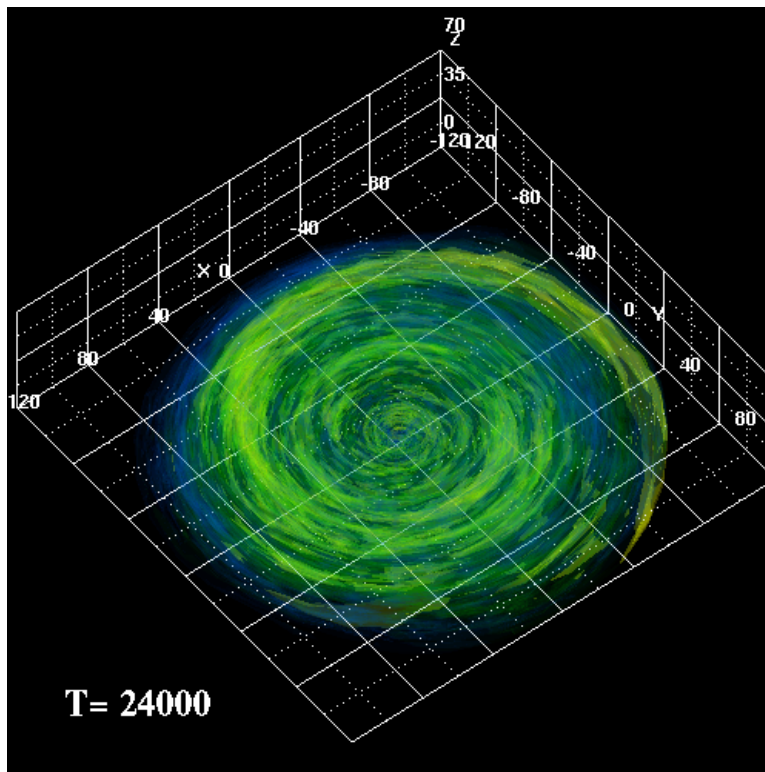


density

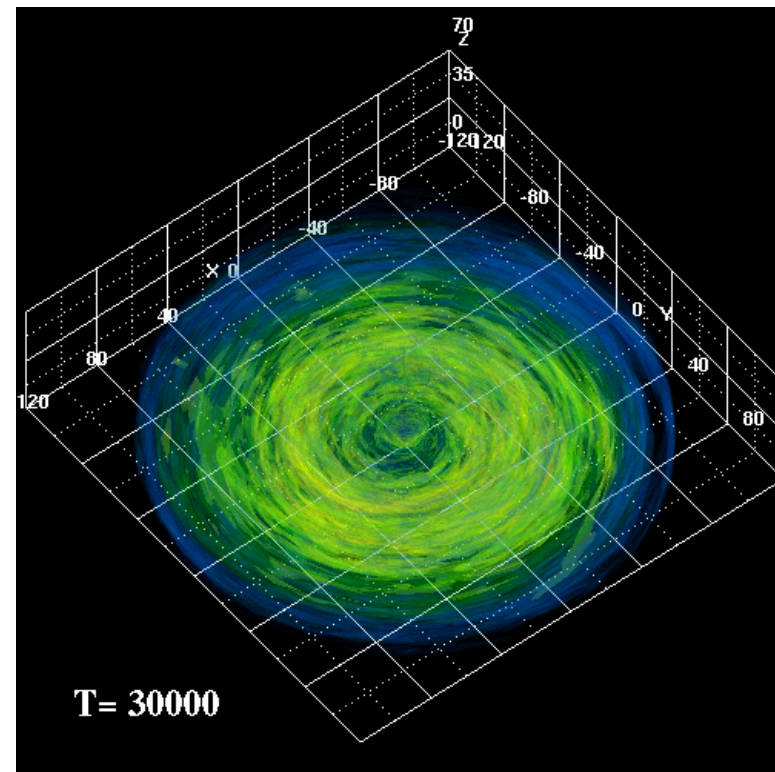
temperature

Toroidal field

# Formation of Low-beta Disk

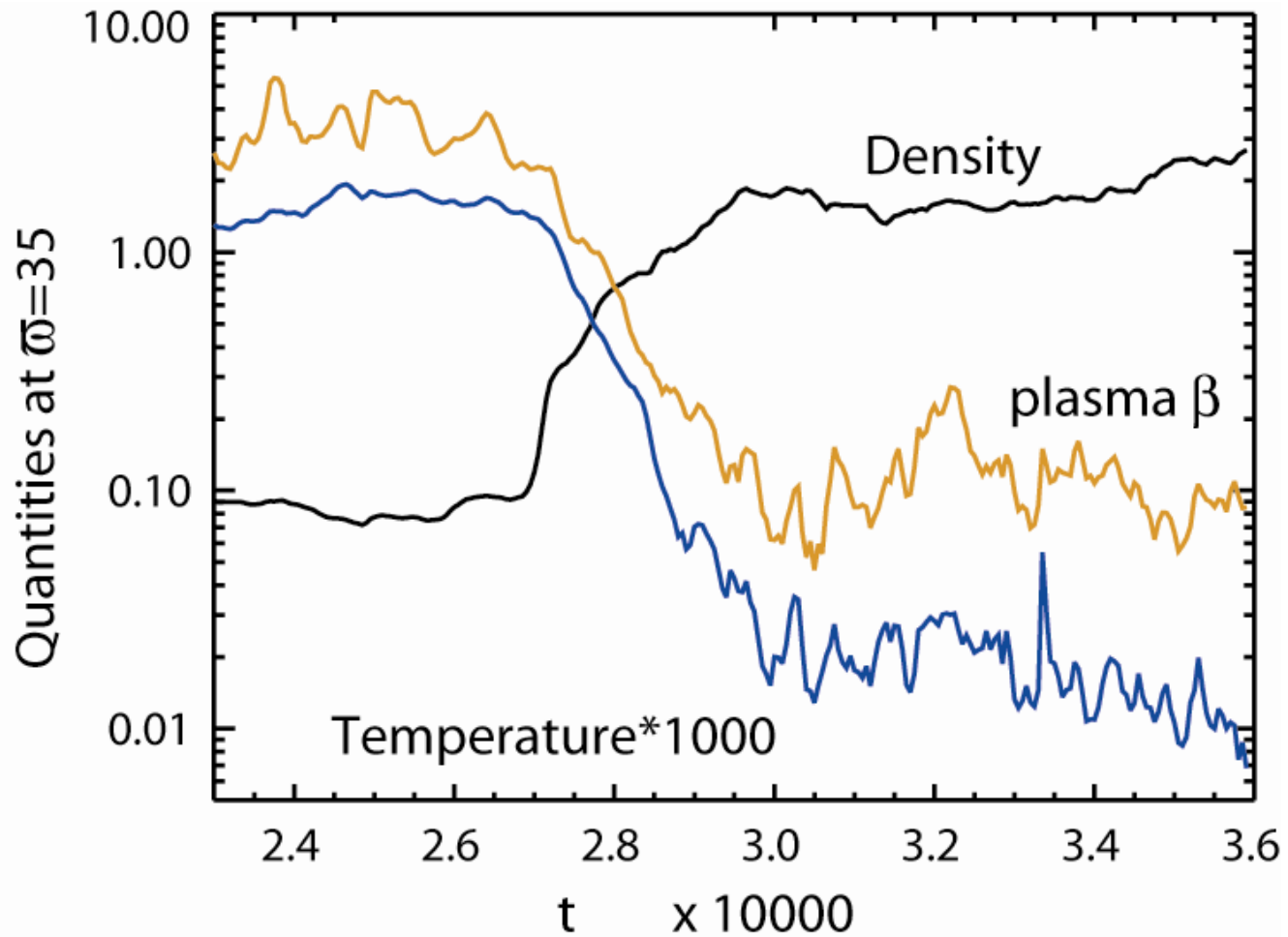


Before the transition

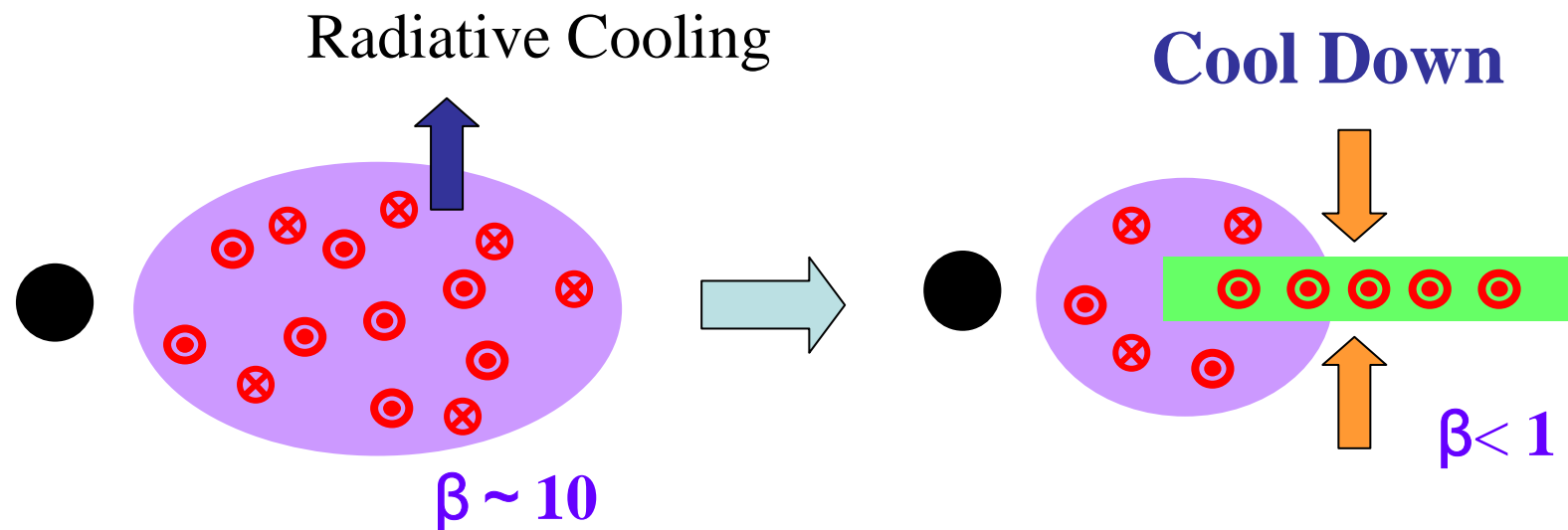


After the transition

# Time Evolution



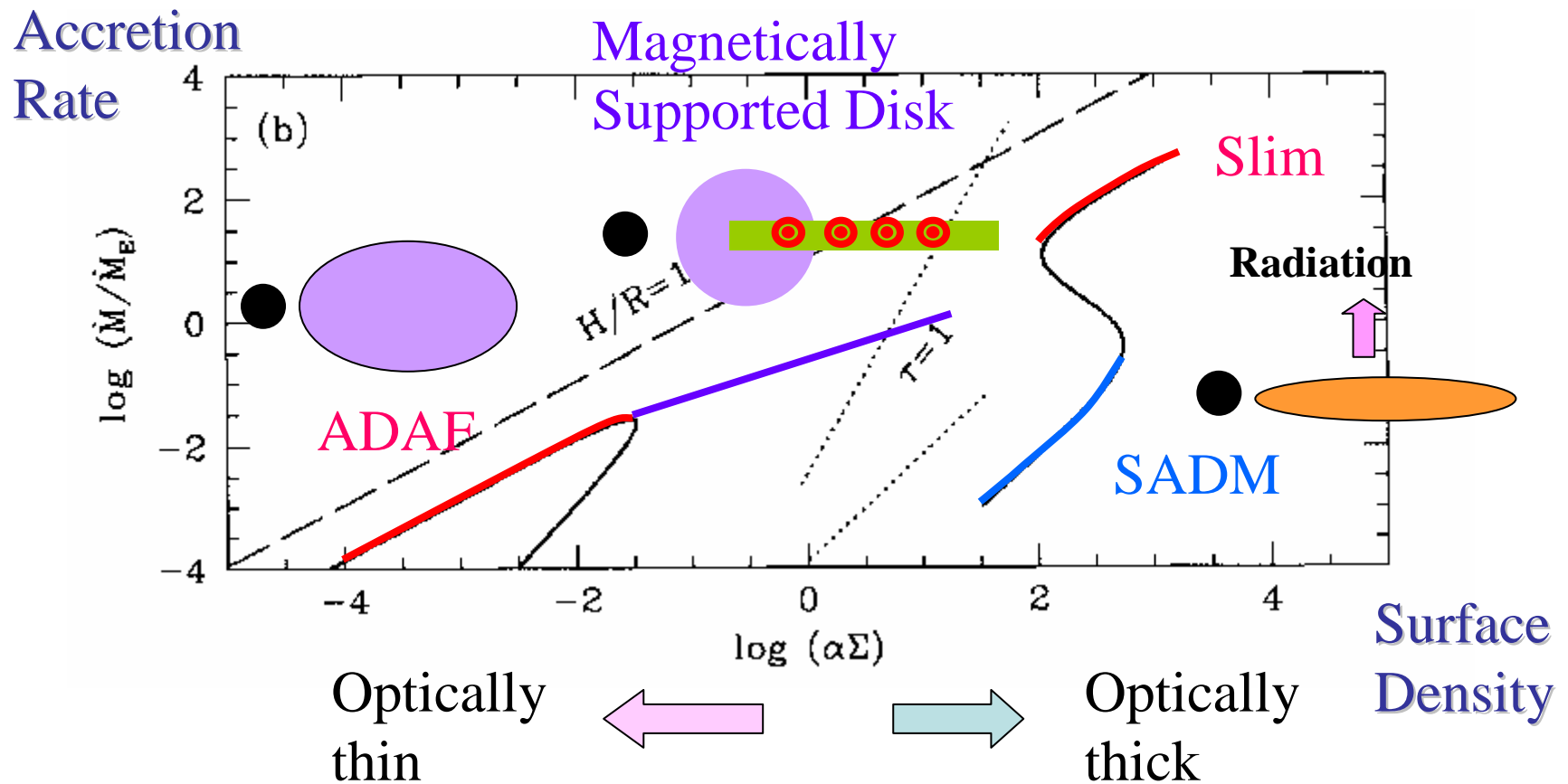
# Formation of a Magnetically Supported Disk



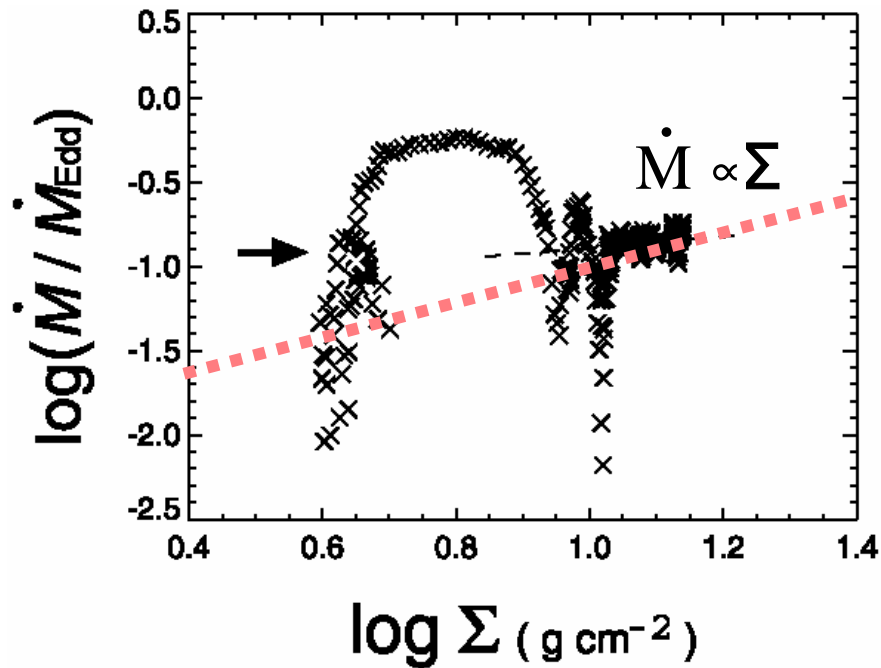
Optically Thin Hot Disk  
Supported by Gas Pressure

Optically Thin Cool Disk  
Supported by Magnetic Pressure

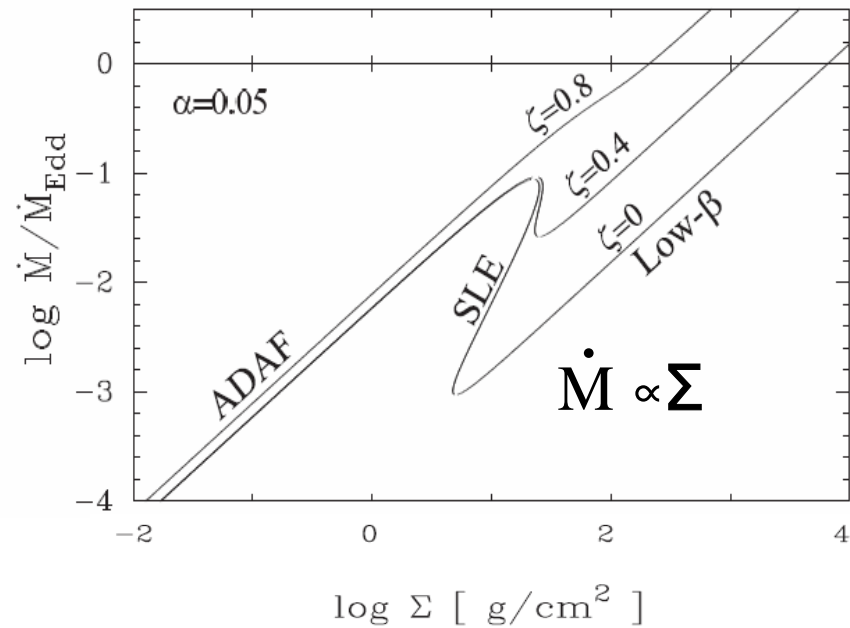
# Thermal Equilibrium Curves of Accretion Disks Supported by Toroidal Magnetic Fields (Oda et al. 2006)



# Comparison with Theoretical Model and Numerical Results



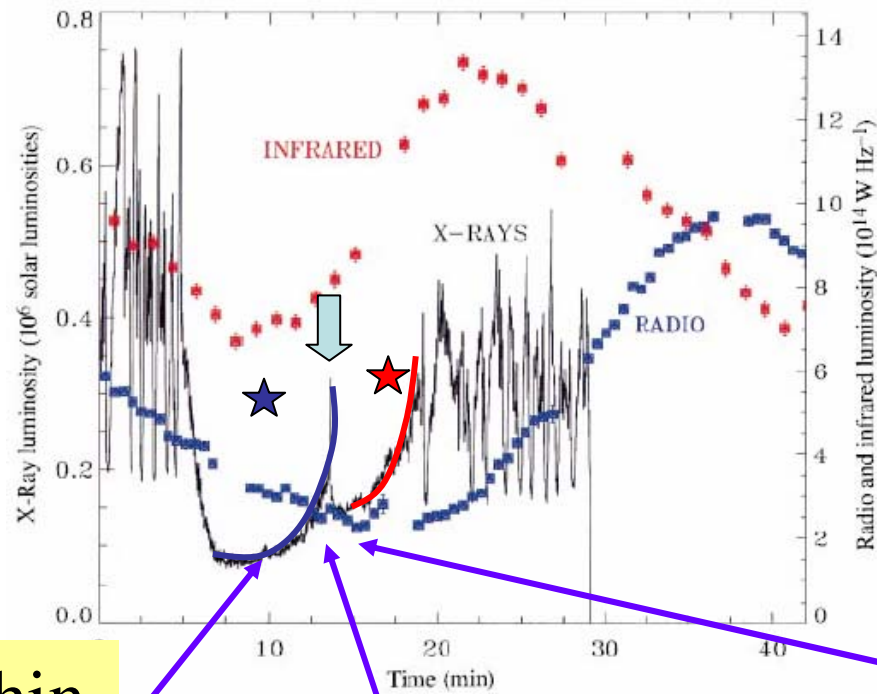
Numerical Result  
(Machida et al. 2006)



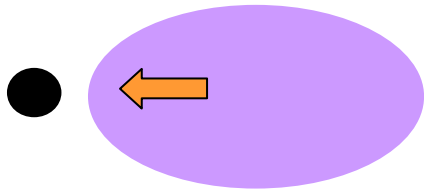
Theoretically Obtained  
Thermal Equilibrium Curve  
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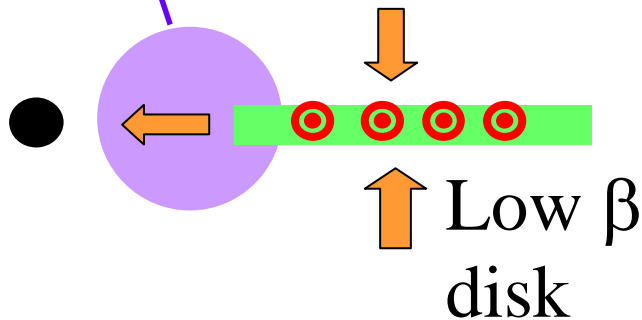
# A Model of GRS1915+105



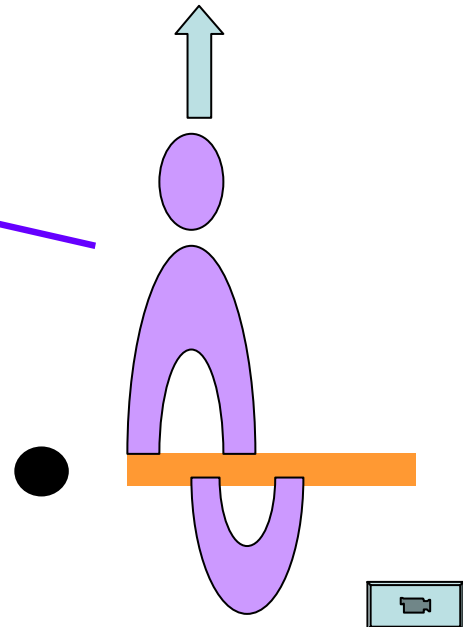
Optically thin hot disk



Cool Down

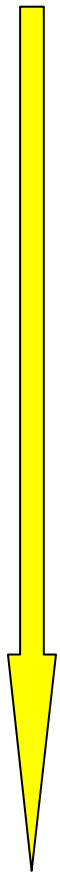


Ejection of Plasmoids ?

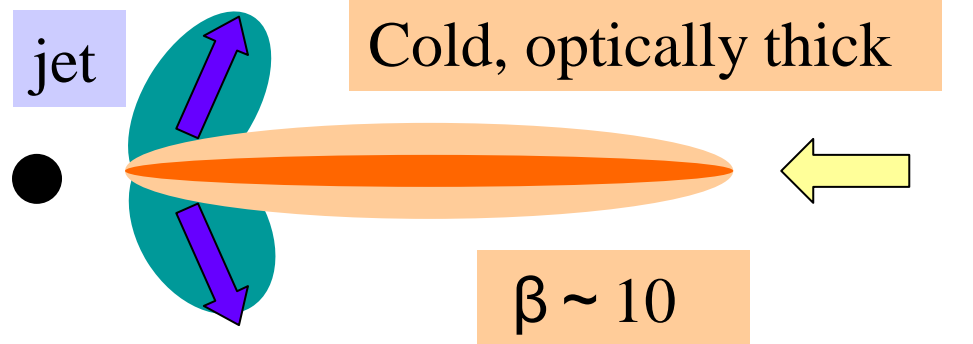
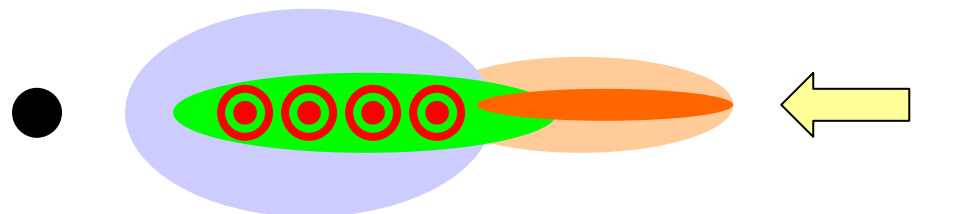
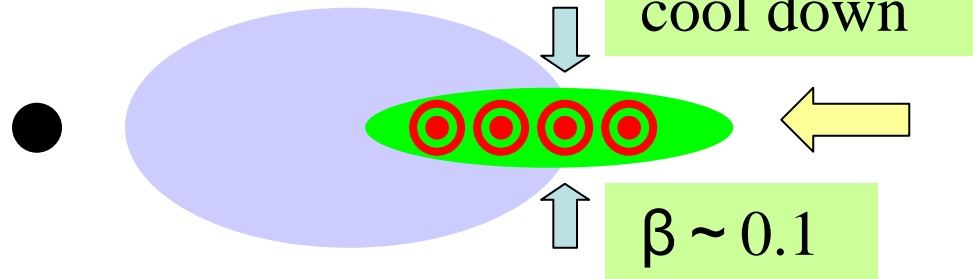
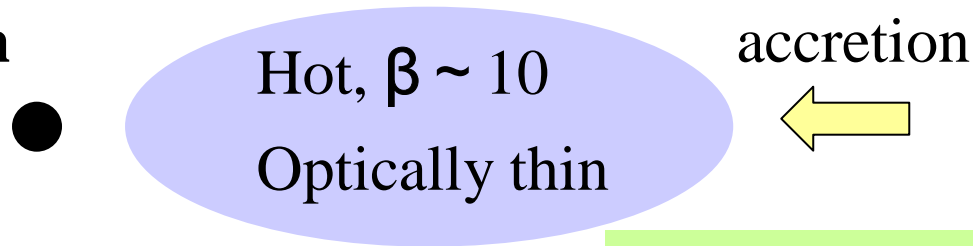


# Evolution of an Accretion Disk During Outburst

Accretion Rate



Large



Hard State

Machida's Simulation

$L \sim 0.1L_{\text{Edd}}$

Transition to Soft State



# Summary

- 3D global MHD simulations enable us to study the evolution of an accretion disk without introducing the phenomenological alpha-parameter of angular momentum transport
- Quasi-steady outflows appear from hot, geometrically thick accretion disks
- Global 3D resistive MHD simulations of cool disks indicate that they show sawtooth-like oscillations
- When sawtooth-like oscillation takes place, high frequency QPOs appear
- By carrying out global MHD simulations including radiative cooling, we found that magnetically supported disk is created during the hard-to-soft transition.

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