

Jets in the Context of Common Envelope Evolution

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Physics and Astrophysics of Common Envelope

Jets exist across a huge range of physical scales



Jets are observed across the EM spectrum



Ingredients for a jet

Rotation

Open magnetic field lines

Open question #1: Are the jet ingredients provided by the central object or a surrounding accretion disk?

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Reference: Blandford & Znajek 1977; Blandford & Payne 1982

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- Rotation •
- Accretion disk
- Magnetic fields
 - Play multiple roles: *
 - Launching jets *
 - Driving accretion *



$$\dot{M}_{\text{wind}} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{r}{r_A}\right)^2 \dot{M}$$
$$B \approx 0.2 \left(\frac{\dot{M}}{10^{-7} M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}}\right)^{1/2} \left(\frac{R_{\text{disk}}}{1 \text{ AU}}\right)^{-5/4} \left(\frac{M}{M_{\odot}}\right)^{1/4} \text{ G}$$

Necessary, though

Magnetic field strength required if the field is entirely responsible for angular momentum transport.

A bit about accretion

- ✤ Gravitational binding energy released by accretion $L_{\text{acc}} \simeq \frac{1}{2} \frac{GM_2 \dot{M}_{\text{acc}}}{R_2} \qquad E_{\text{acc}} \simeq \frac{1}{2} \frac{GM_2 M_{\text{acc}}}{R_2} \lesssim 10^{49} \text{ erg}$
 - In the extreme case, this is comparable to the binding energy of the envelope.

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Table 1. Summary of the main properties of the five \dot{m} regimes sketched in Fig. 1 and described in Sects. 2.2–2.6.

<i>m</i> range (1)	Accretion/ejection flow (2)	Feedback (3)	Examples (4)
Very low $\dot{m} \approx 10^{-8}$ ($\ll 10^{-6}$)	Non-radiative hot accretion flow relativistic polar jet	$L_{ m kin}$	Quiescent/inactive, Sgr A*
Low $\dot{m} \approx 10^{-4}$ $(10^{-6} \le \dot{m} \le 10^{-3})$	Outer cold disk at ~ 1000 s R_g , inner hot flow relativistic polar jet	$L_{\rm kin} \gg L_{\rm rad}$	LLAGN M 81*, M 87
Moderate $\dot{m} \approx 10^{-2}$ $(10^{-3} \leq \dot{m} \leq 10^{-1})$	Outer cold disk at ~10 s R_g , extended hot corona weak/moderate LD wind depending on small/large $M_{\rm BH}$	$L_{\rm kin} \ll L_{\rm rad}$	Seyfert/mini-BAL QSO NGC 5548/PG 1126–041
High $\dot{m} \gtrsim 0.25$ ($0.1 \leq \dot{m} \leq 1$)	Cold accretion disk down to ISCO, compact hot corona moderate/strong LD wind depending on small/large $M_{\rm BH}$	$L_{\rm kin} < L_{\rm rad}$	NLS1/BAL QSO I Zw 1/PDS 456
Very high $\dot{m} \gg 1$ ($1 \le \dot{m} \le 100$)	Outer thin disk, inner slim disk, very compact hot corona strong outflows, both polar and equatorial	$L_{\rm kin} \lesssim L_{\rm rad}$	Super-Eddington RX J0439.6-531

Notes. (1) Nomenclature for the Eddington ratio ranges used in this work, with an indicative order of magnitude, and an indicative range of values in parentheses. (2) Accretion and ejection flow main physical characteristics. (3) Type of energy feedback between the AGN and the environment: kin = kinetic, rad = radiative. (4) Classes of objects or individual examples of well-studied local AGN.

Reference: Giustini & Proga 2019

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More energy coming out in jets than radiation!

Reference: Tchekhovskoy, Narayan & McKinney 2011

Extract/transport mass

$$\frac{\dot{M}_{\text{jet}}}{\dot{N}_{\text{jet}}} \stackrel{?}{\sim} \dot{M}_{\text{Edd}} \sim 10^{-3} \left(\frac{R_2}{R_\odot}\right) M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$$

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Open question #2: How much of a disk's angular momentum is carried away by the jet?

- Outflows can come in
 - narrow, high velocity components (jets)
 - wider, slower components (winds)



Reference: Vourellis et al. 2019

M dominated by wind *J* dominated by wind *E* dominated by ???









Reference: Vourellis et al. 2019



Reference: Lee et al. 2018; Lee et al. 2021

- For those simulating "jets" in CEE
 - The jets and winds are likely originating at scales below what you can resolve -> subgrid models
- What you know

 $\dot{E}_{\rm acc} \simeq \frac{1}{2} \frac{GM_2 \dot{M}_{\rm acc}}{R_2}$

What you need to know

 $M_{\rm out}, v_{\rm out}, \theta_{\rm out}$

Takeaway point #1: Make sure what you inject is consistent with your energy budget.

- In some systems, jets deposit their energy very far from the source
 - This would be bad for CE ejection

More than a million times the scale of the emitting region

Simulation of GRB jet drilling through surrounding star



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Reference: Murthy et al. 2022

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Reference: https://www.astro.princeton.edu/~jstone/Athena/tests/kh/kh.html

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Systems with known jets

- YSOs
- White dwarfs
- Neutron stars





$$L_{\rm jet} \sim \frac{GM_*M_{\rm jet}}{R_*}$$

If
$$\dot{M}_{jet} \sim 10^{-3} \left(\frac{R_2}{R_{\odot}}\right) M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$$
 $L_{jet} \sim 10^{37} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$ $v_{jet,WD} \sim 2000 \text{ km s}^{-1}$
 $v_{jet,NS} \sim 2000 \text{ km s}^{-1}$

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 $L_{\rm jet, SS433} \gtrsim 10^{39} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$

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- X-ray binary hardness-intensity (or "q") diagram
- Radio loud vs. Radio quiet AGN
 - otherwise similar sources can sometimes exhibit jets, sometimes not



*** "Wind tunnel" approximation (whenever M₂/M₁ < 1/3) *** Uniform hydro

 $\dot{M}_{\rm HL} = \pi R_a^2 \rho_{\infty} v_{\infty} = \frac{4\pi G^2 M^2 \rho_{\infty}}{v_{\infty}^3} \lesssim 1 M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1} \gg \dot{M}_{\rm Edd}$



- "Wind tunnel" approximation
 - Structured hydro

$$\rho_{\infty} \propto e^{\epsilon_{\rho} \Delta r/R_{c}}$$

2D simulations $\epsilon_{\rho} = 0$ $\epsilon_{\rho} = 0.1$ $\epsilon_{\rho} = 0.4$

 $\epsilon_{\rho} = 0.2$ Reference: Armitage & Livio 2000; Xu & Stone 2019

3D simulations





Takeaway point #3: Accretion rate onto secondary in CEE will be $< M_{\rm HL}$

Reference: Edgar 2004; Xu & Stone 2019; MacLeod et al. 2017

- "Wind tunnel" approximation
 - Magnetized background

$$\dot{M}_{\rm HL} \sim \frac{4\pi G^2 M^2 \rho_{\infty}}{v_{\rm BH}^2 v_{\rm ABH}}$$

$$v_{\rm BH} \equiv (c_s^2 + v_\infty^2)^{1/2}$$

$$v_{\rm ABH} \equiv (c_s^2 + v_\infty^2 + v_A^2)^{1/2}$$





Reference: Edgar 2004; Xu & Stone 2019; MacLeod et al. 2017; Lee et al. 2014; Kaaz et al. 2022 (arXiv)

Jets from magnetized medium accreting onto rotating BH



Reference: Kaaz et al. 2022 (arXiv)



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Reference: Shiber et al. 2019; Zou et al. 2022 (arXiv)

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Takeaway point #6: Presence of outflows may stop inspiral sooner and at larger radii

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Particularly in the polar direction

Takeaway points

- Make sure what you inject is consistent with your energy budget.
- Speed of outflow should depend on the compactness of the accretor
- Accretion rate onto secondary in CEE will be $< \dot{M}_{\rm HL}$
- Persistence & strength of magnetized jet depends on β_{∞}
- Drag force is less efficient with stronger B-fields
- Presence of outflows may stop inspiral sooner and at larger radii

Open questions

- Are the jet ingredients provided by the central object or a surrounding accretion disk?
- How much of a disk's angular momentum is carried away by the jet?
- Why do systems sometimes show jets and sometimes not?
- We know jets can drill out of stars (GRBs), so what would be different in CEE?