

# Outflows from NS merger remnant accretion disks

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# Overview

1. Overview of disk evolution

2. Nucleosynthesis and Kilonova contribution

3. Current Status of disk outflow research

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- relativistic jet (?)

Large body of work:

MPA, Kyoto, Caltech-Cornell-CITA Princeton, Frankfurt, Trento, Stockholm, Illinois, Perimeter, etc.

# Disk evolution



also Popham+ (1999), Chen & Beloborodov (2003)

$$\begin{split} t_{\rm orb} &\simeq 3 R_{50}^{3/2} M_3^{-1/2} \mbox{ ms} \\ t_{\rm visc} &\simeq 1 \alpha_{0.03}^{-1} R_{50}^{3/2} M_3^{-1/2} \left( H/3R \right) \mbox{ s} \\ t_{\rm therm} &\simeq \frac{c_s^2}{v_K^2} t_{\rm visc} \lesssim t_{\rm visc} \end{split}$$

- Disk evolves on timescales long compared to the dynamical (orbital) time, due to viscous processes
- Weak interactions freeze-out as the disk spreads viscously: final Ye
- Gravitationally-unbound outflows driven by:
  - Neutrino heating (on thermal time) Ruffert & Janka (1999), Dessart+ (2009)
  - Viscous heating and nuclear recombination (on viscous time)

 ${E_lpha\over GM_{
m BH}/R}\simeq 1R_{600}M_3^{-1}$  Metzger+ (2008)

- MHD stresses

Kiuchi (2015), Siegel (2017)



#### Wind from remnant accretion disk

- Neutrino cooling shuts down as disk spreads on accretion timescale (~300ms)
- Viscous heating & nuclear recombination are unbalanced
- Fraction ~10-20% of initial disk mass ejected, ~1E-3 to 1E-2 solar masses
- Material is neutron-rich (Ye ~ 0.2-0.4)
- Wind speed (~0.05c) is slower than dynamical ejecta (~0.1-0.3c)

RF & Metzger (2013), MNRAS Just et al. (2015), MNRAS RF et al. (2015), MNRAS Setiawan et al. (2005)

Lee, Ramirez-Ruiz, & Lopez-Camara (2009)

Metzger (2009)

### Effect of BH spin on disk wind



#### Hypermassive NS versus BH



#### Disk around HMNS



# Interplay of disk wind and dynamical ejecta



RF, Foucart, Kasen, Lippuner, et al. (2017)

# Nucleosynthesis with Tracer Particles



- Nuclear network: ~7000 isotopes, include neutrino effects
- Non-spinning BH, parameter dependencies

M-R Wu, RF, Martinez-Pinedo & Metzger (2016)

#### **Black Hole Accretion Disks**



• Most sensitive to viscosity: expansion time vs weak interaction time

 Also sensitive to disk mass and degeneracy: neutrinos & equilibrium Ye M-R Wu, RF, Martinez-Pinedo & Metzger (2016)

- Not very sensitive to initial Ye
- See also Just et al. 2015

## HMNS disks



Lippuner, RF, Roberts, et al. (2017)

#### HMNS disks



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#### HMNS lifetime and kilonova

Longer lifetime - more neutrino irradiation - less neutrons - smaller opacity - bluer emission



Kasen, RF, & Metzger (2015)

#### Viewing angle dependence



Kasen, RF, & Metzger (2015)

RF, Quataert, Schwab, Kasen & Rosswog (20

# Summary

- A significant amount of material (>10% of initial disk mass) is ejected from the accretion disk on various timescales, for GW170817 it is thought to be the dominant contribution to the kilonova
- 2. Biggest effect is the presence of a HMNS. Strong neutrino irradiation generates lanthanide-poor outflows: blue kilonova.
- 3. Outstanding issues: inclusion of MHD, neutrino transport, proper treatment of the HMNS. Can the disk account for the high speed of the blue kilonova ejecta in GW170817?

