

Plasma injection and outflow formation in BH magnetosphere

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Purpose of this talk

To elucidate the role of plasma injection in the magnetosphere:

➤ formation of a force-free structure requires sufficient charges,
 $n_e > n_{GJ} = \Omega B / (2\pi e c)$

- In faint sources (e.g., M87, SgrA*) a gap may form, leading to HE magnetospheric emission .

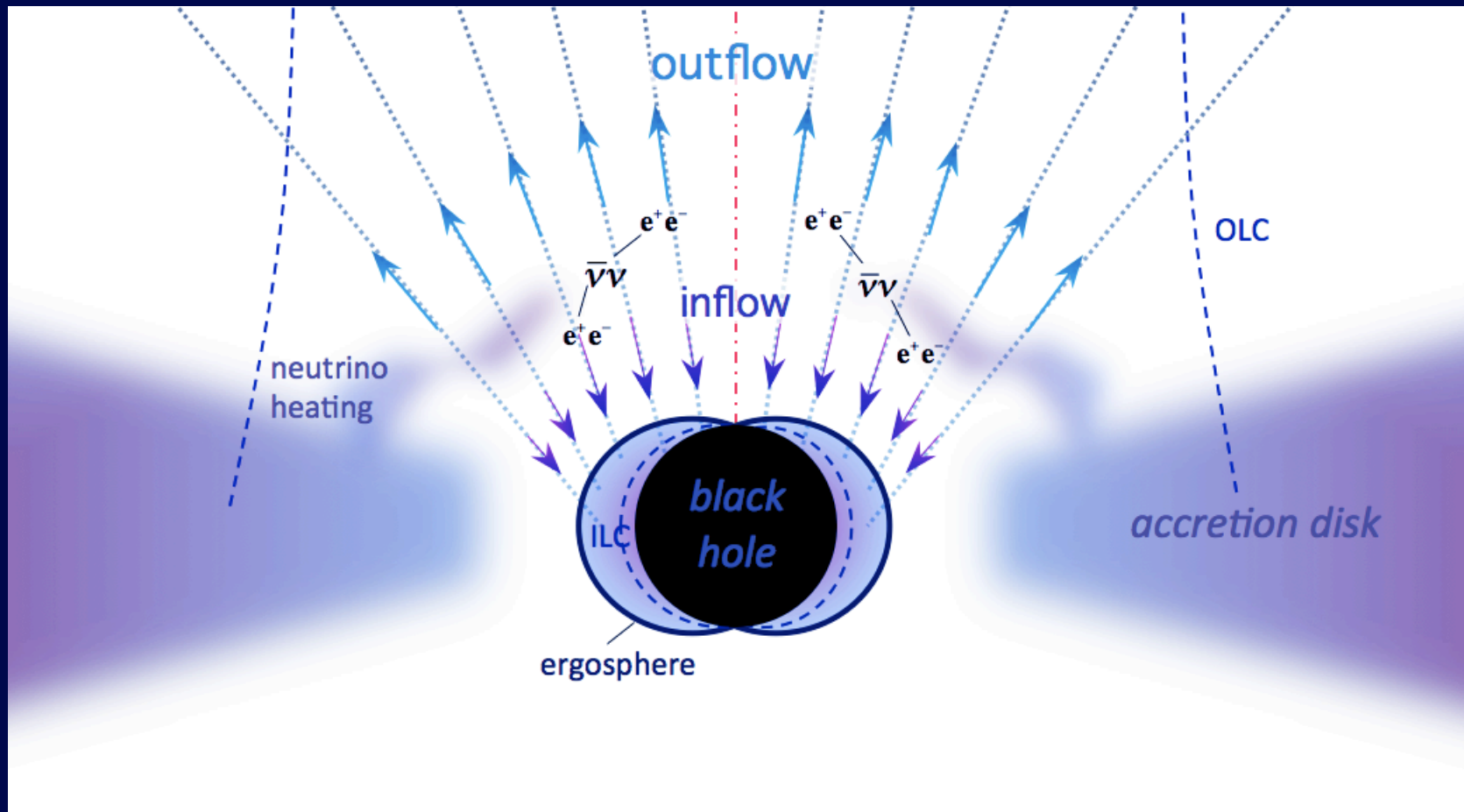
Levinson 00,06; Neronov & Aharonian 07,08; Rieger 10; Levinson & Rieger 11

➤ Extraction of spin down energy requires sufficiently low inertia. Properties of outflow depends on injection rate:

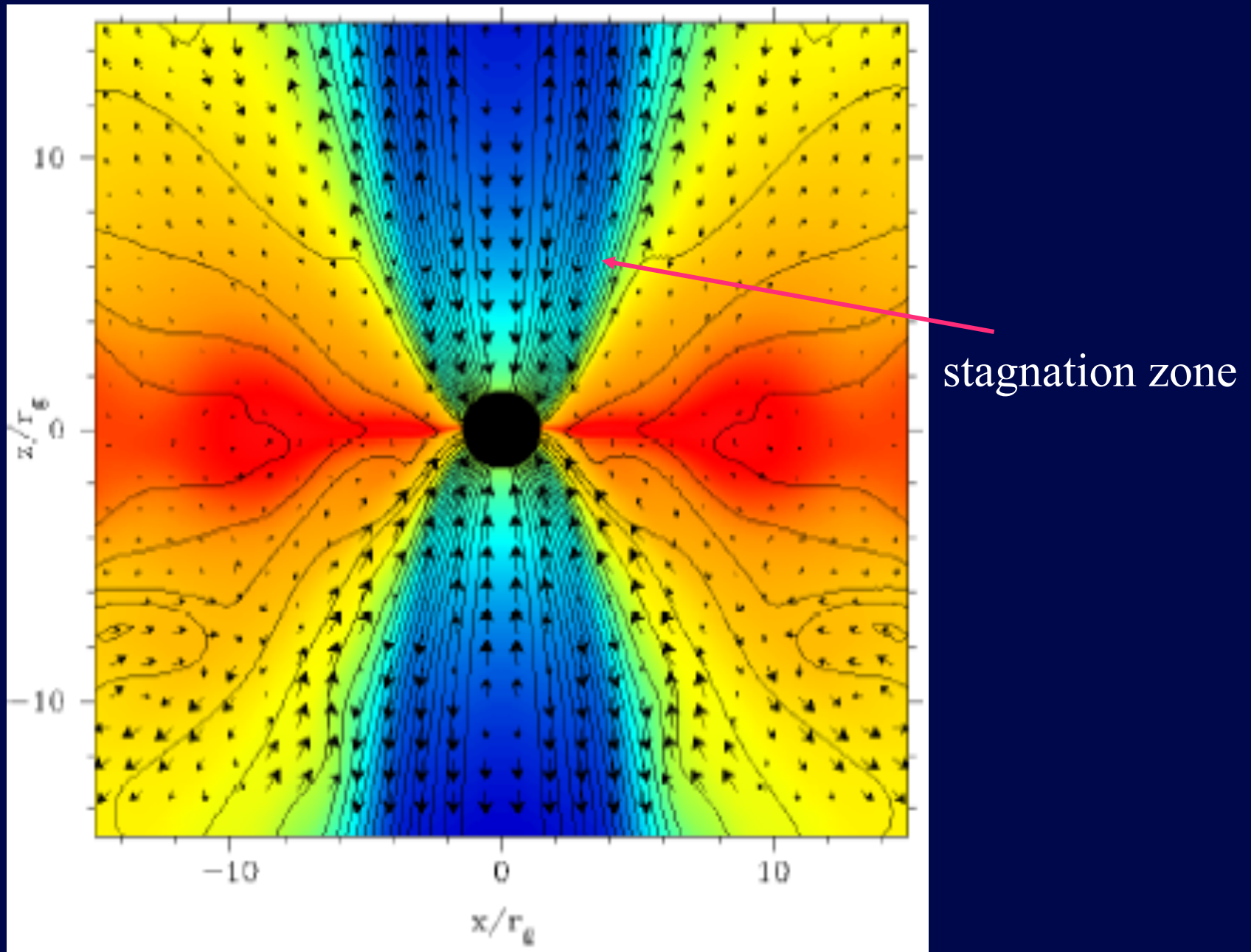
- below critical load, BZ process activated
- above it, outflow is powered by external energy source

Plasma injection in the magnetosphere

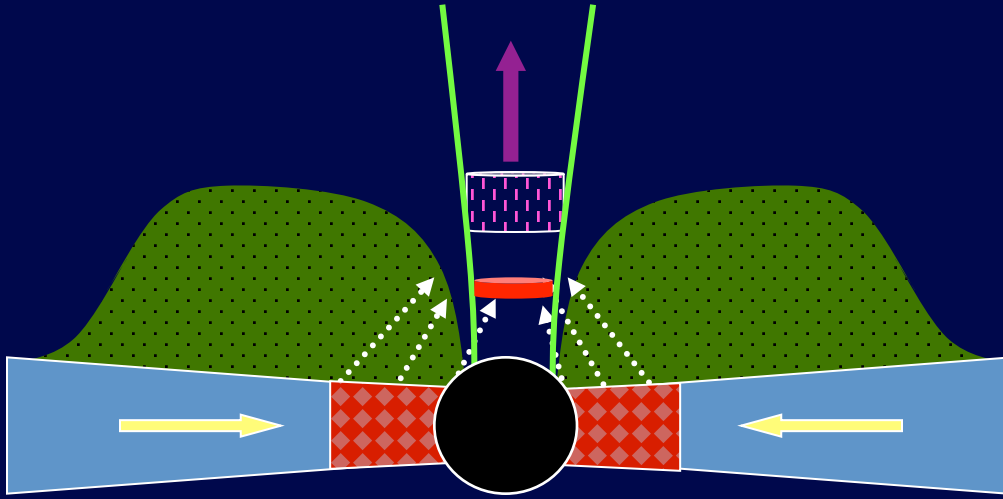
- $\gamma\gamma \rightarrow e^\pm$ in AGNs
- $\nu\nu \rightarrow e^\pm$ in GRBs
- mass loading



Simulations by Barkov + Komissarov '08



Charge injection in AGNs



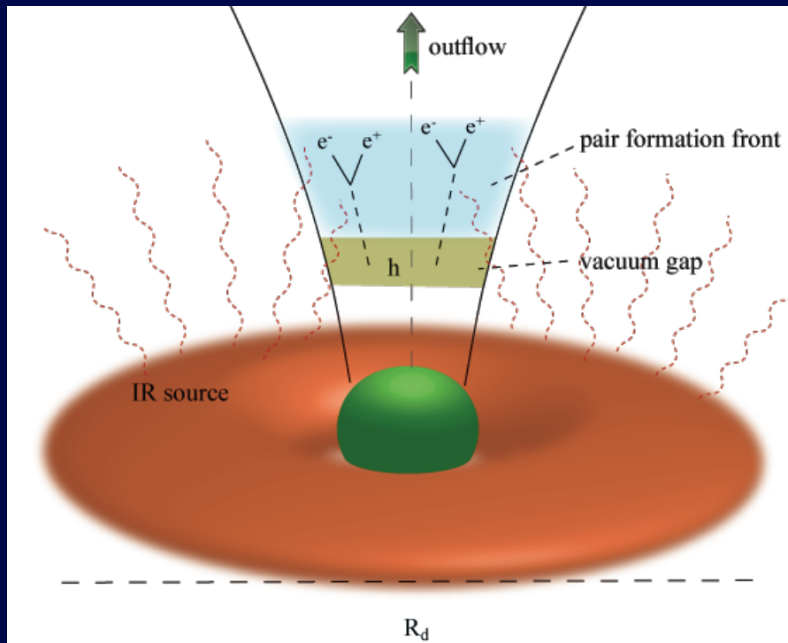
- Protons from A.F ?
- Protons from n decay ?
- e^\pm from $\gamma\gamma$ annihilation ?
- Other source ?

➤ Protons have to cross magnetic field lines. Diffusion length over accretion time is extremely small.

➤ Neutrons, if produced at sufficient quantities, decay over a distance $0.05 r_s$ – unlikely to account for charge injection.

Charge injection by $\gamma\gamma$ annihilation

- Requires sufficiently hot accretion flow that emit gamma rays
- RIAF in low luminosity sources (e.g., M87) may be hot enough
- AD in powerful blazars too cold.



Charge injection in LLAGN is a sensitive function of accretion rate
(AL+ Rieger '11, Moscibrodzka + '11)

A gap must form between inner and outer LC.

May be a source of HE gamma rays

Variable TeV in M87 - gap emission?

M87 – a dark outflow

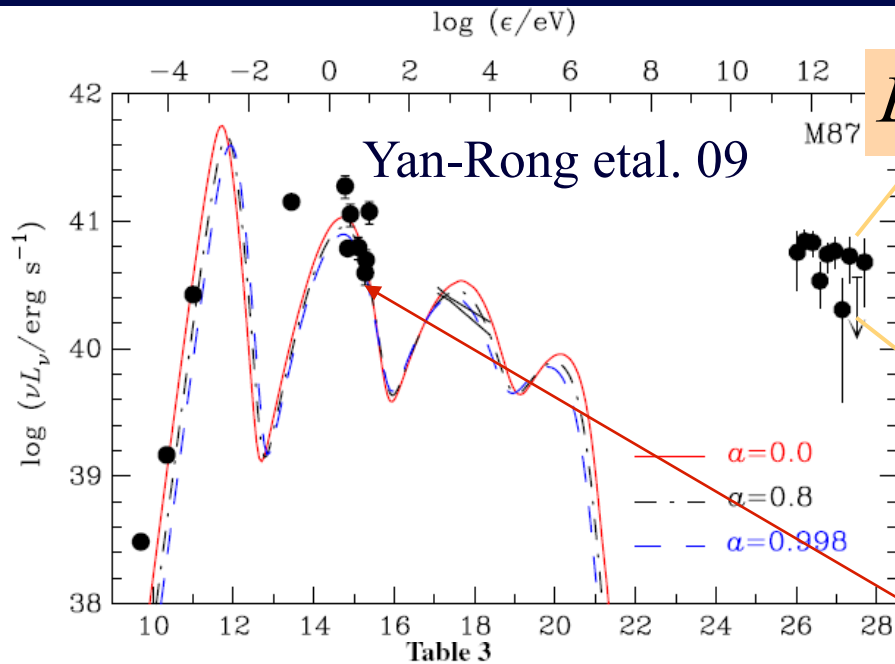
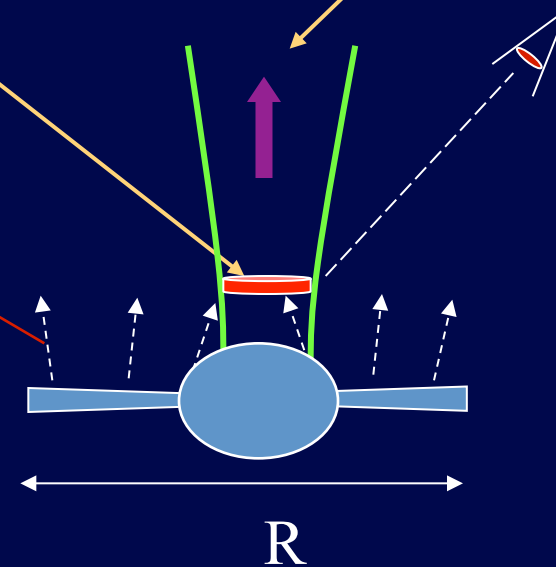
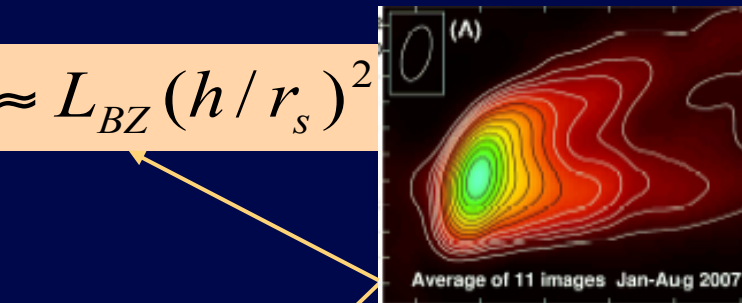


Table 3
Jet Power from the Published Literature

L_j /erg s ⁻¹	Ref.
$\sim 10^{44}$	Bicknell & Begelman (1996)
2×10^{43}	Reynolds et al. (1996)
$\sim 10^{44}$	Owen et al. (2000)
3×10^{42}	Young et al. (2002)
$\sim 10^{44}$	Stawarz et al. (2006)
5×10^{43}	Bromberg & Levinson (2008)



AL+ Rieger '11

AL '00, Neronov + Aharonian '07,

Powerful blazars – cyclic pp?

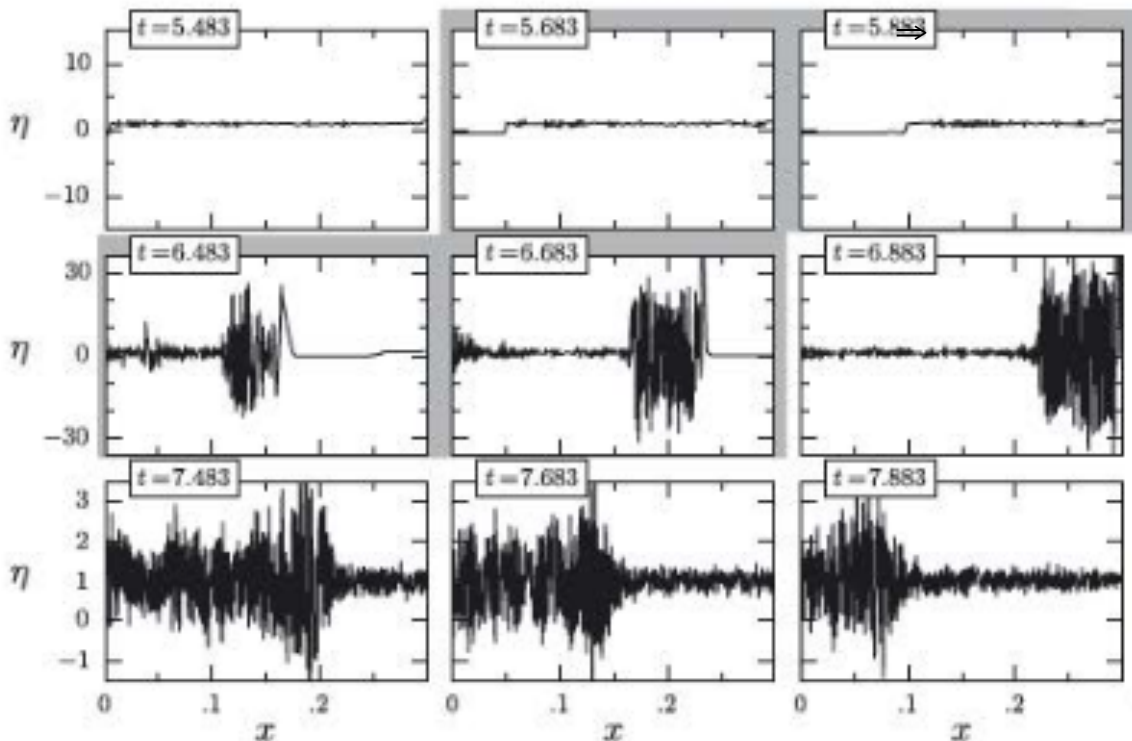
- No direct charge injection
- Large opacity near BH.



Self-sustained cascade ?

Intermittent GeV-to-TeV emission?

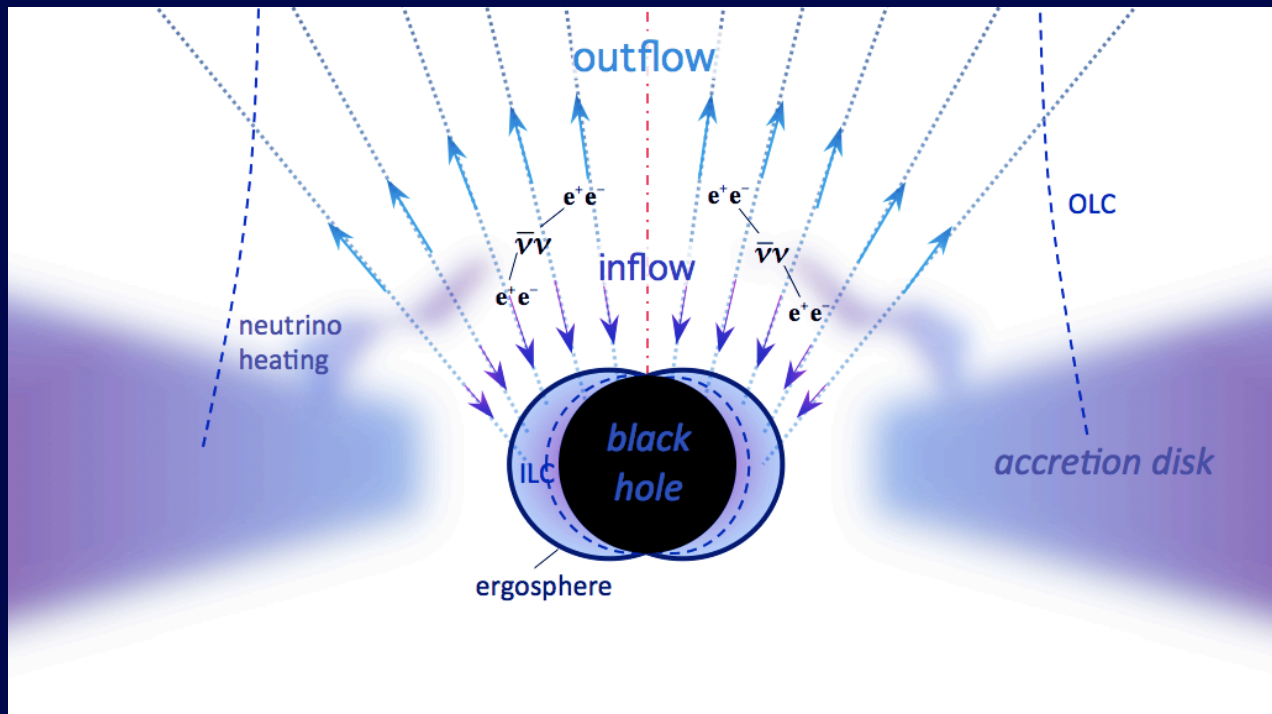
Pair cascades in NS – Timokhin 2012



Loaded flows in GRBs

- $\nu\nu \rightarrow e^\pm$
- mass loading by neutron leakage?

Injected density \gg GJ density



A model for a double transonic flow with injection

Globus + Levinson '13, '14

- stationary + axi-symmetric GRMHD
- mass and energy injection included
source terms: particle q_n ; energy-momentum q^α
- split-monopole geometry invoked

- stream function (magnetic flux) : $\Psi(r,\theta)$ (assumed)
- angular velocity: Ω (a free parameter)
- particle flux per unit B flux: η
- specific energy (per baryon) : ε
- specific angular momentum : L
- specific entropy : s

basic equations

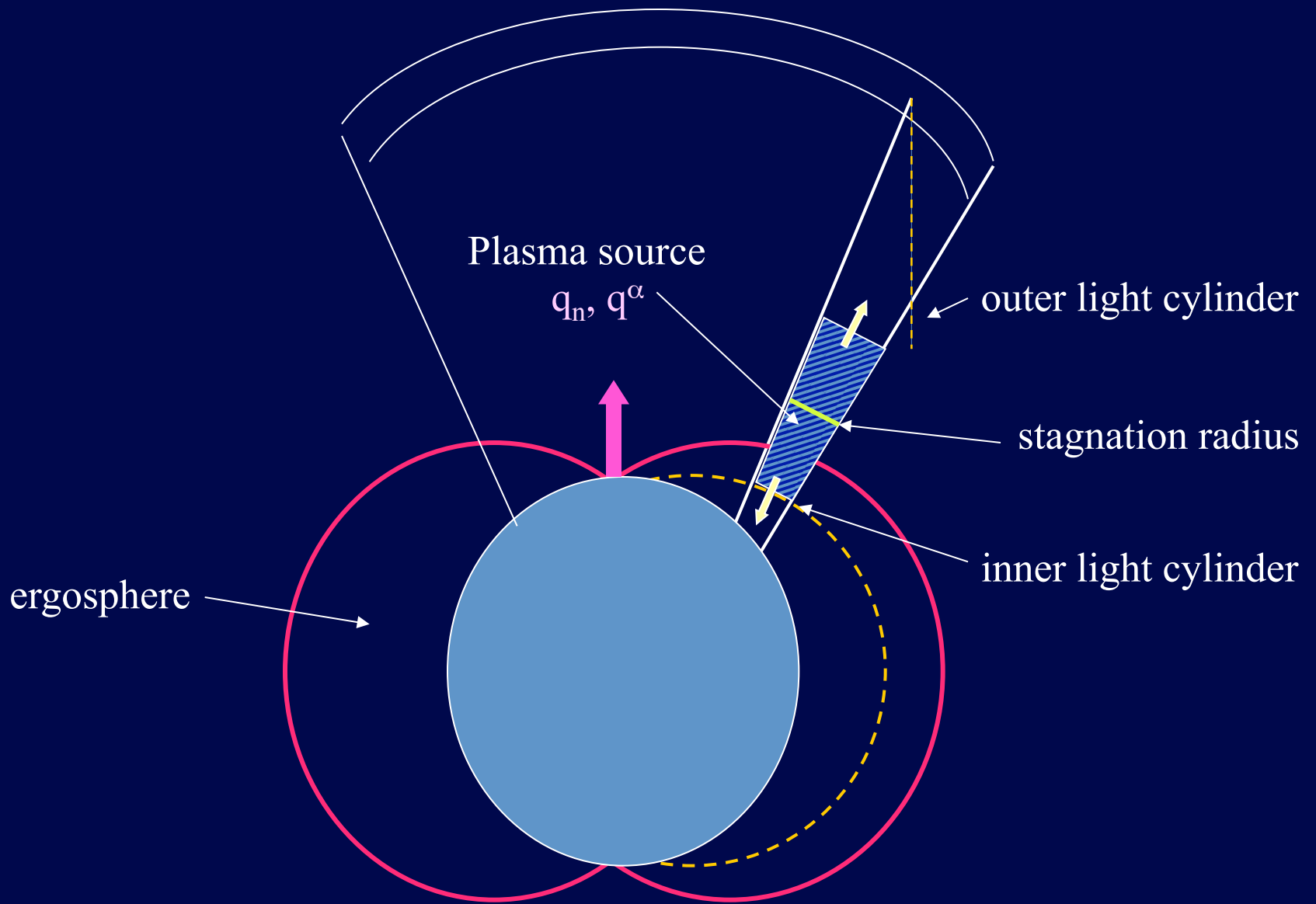
$$\partial_r \left(\sqrt{-g} \rho u^r \right) = \sqrt{-g} q_n; \quad \text{mass injection}$$

$$\partial_r \left(\sqrt{-g} \rho u^r \varepsilon \right) = -\sqrt{-g} q_t; \quad \text{energy injection}$$

$$\partial_r \left(\sqrt{-g} \rho u^r L \right) = \sqrt{-g} q_\varphi; \quad \text{L injection}$$

$$\partial_r \left(\sqrt{-g} \rho u^r s \right) = -\sqrt{-g} (q_\alpha u^\alpha); \quad \text{entropy generation}$$

$$\partial_r \ln u_p = \frac{N(M, \Omega, \varepsilon, L, s)}{(u_p^2 - u_A^2)(u_p^2 - u_{SM}^2)(u_p^2 - u_{FM}^2)}; \quad \text{equation of motion}$$



inflow/outflow must pass through inner/outer slow and fast points

conditions on H

particle flux

net energy per particle

energy flux: $\varepsilon^r = \rho u^r \varepsilon$

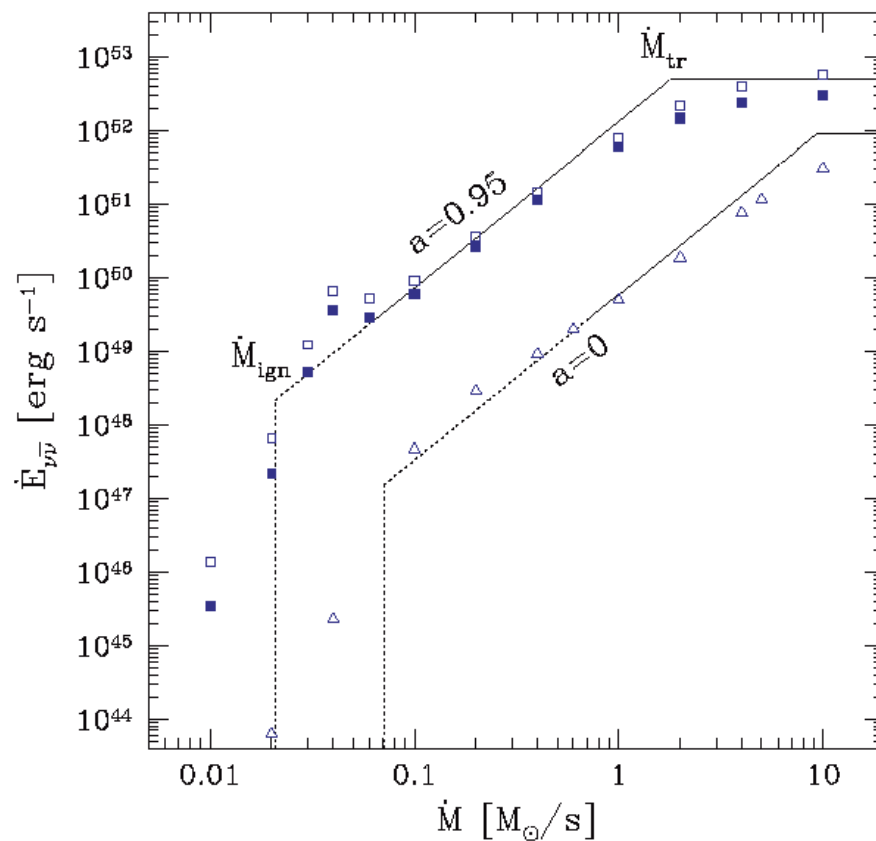
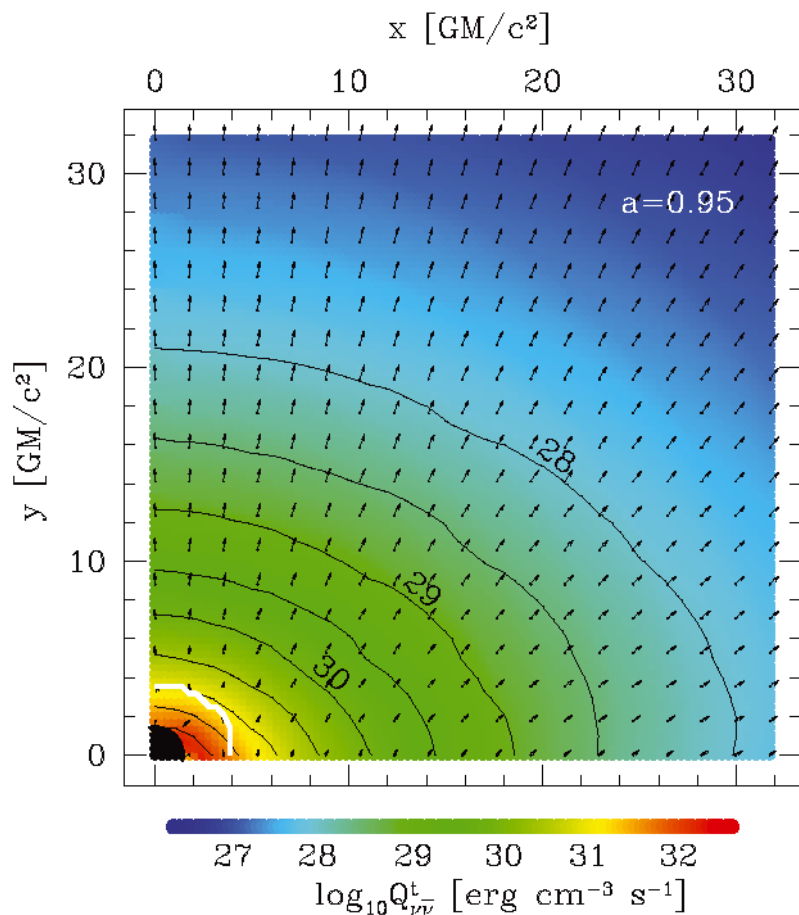
on the horizon: $u^r < 0$

so: $\varepsilon_H < 0 \Rightarrow \varepsilon^r > 0$ (extraction)

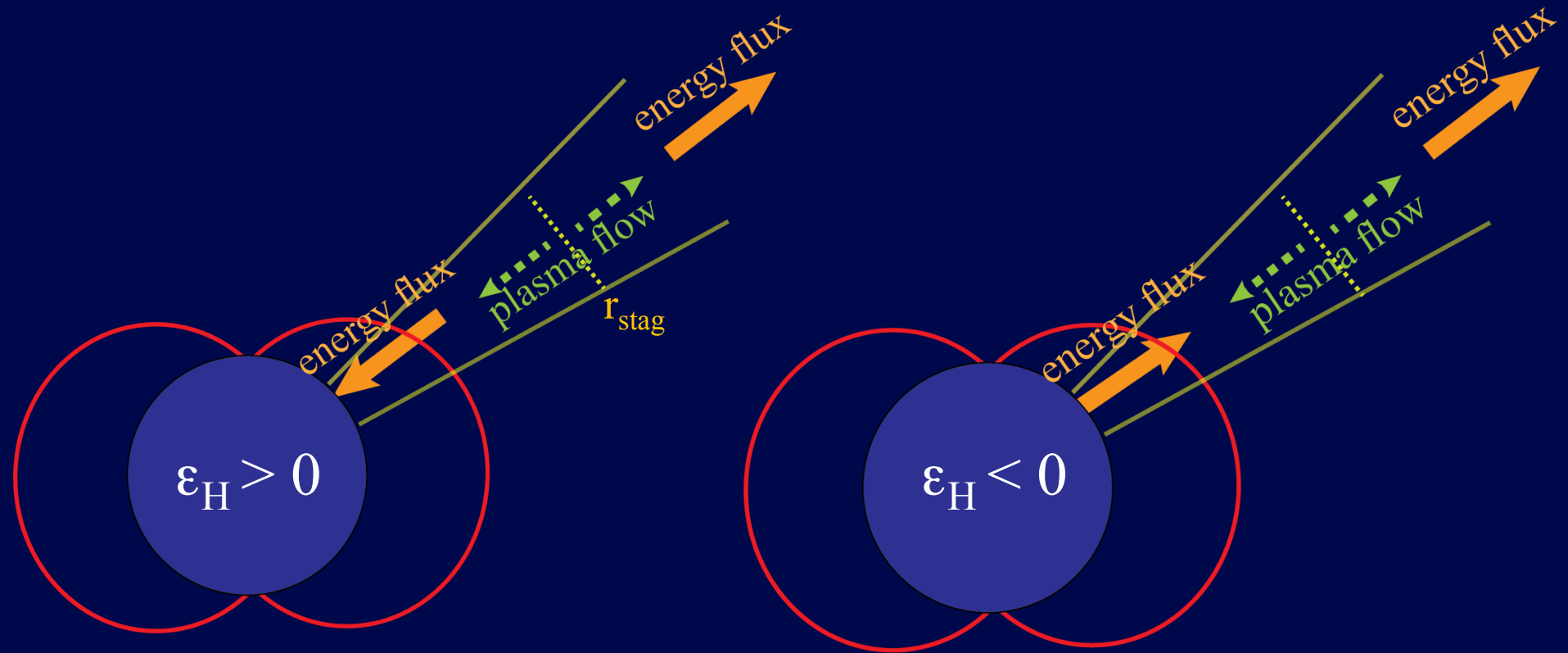
$\varepsilon_H > 0 \Rightarrow \varepsilon^r < 0$ (feeding)

GRBs: energy deposition by $\nu\nu \rightarrow e^-e^+$

From Zalamea & Beloborodov 2011



under-loaded vs. over-loaded flows



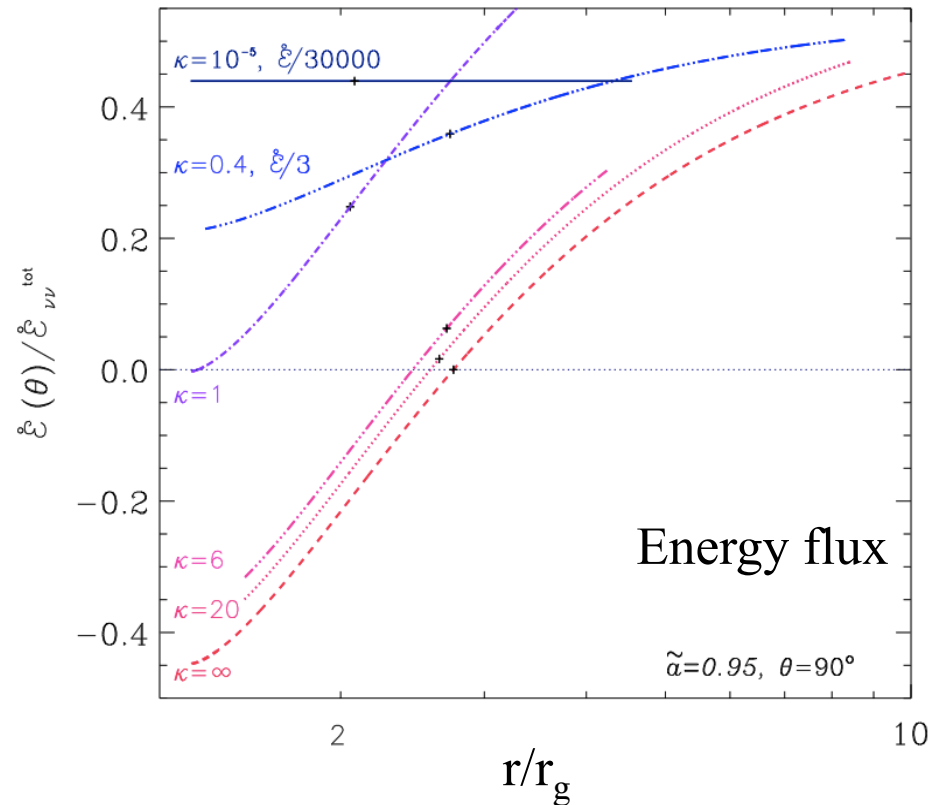
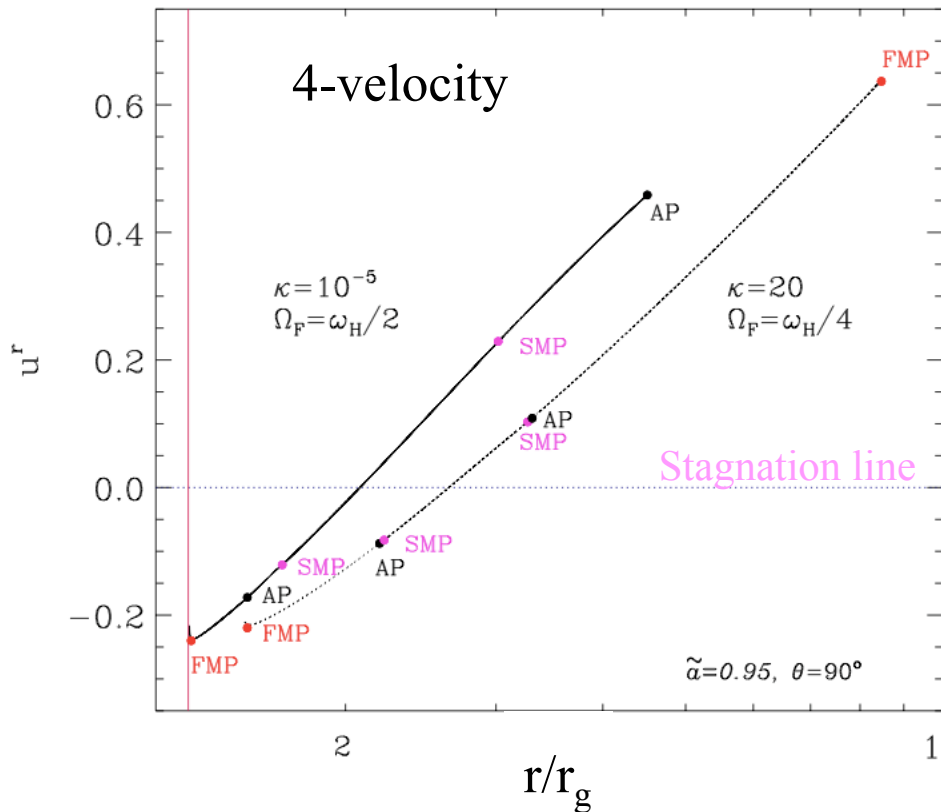
above critical load
powered by external source

below critical load
powered by BH

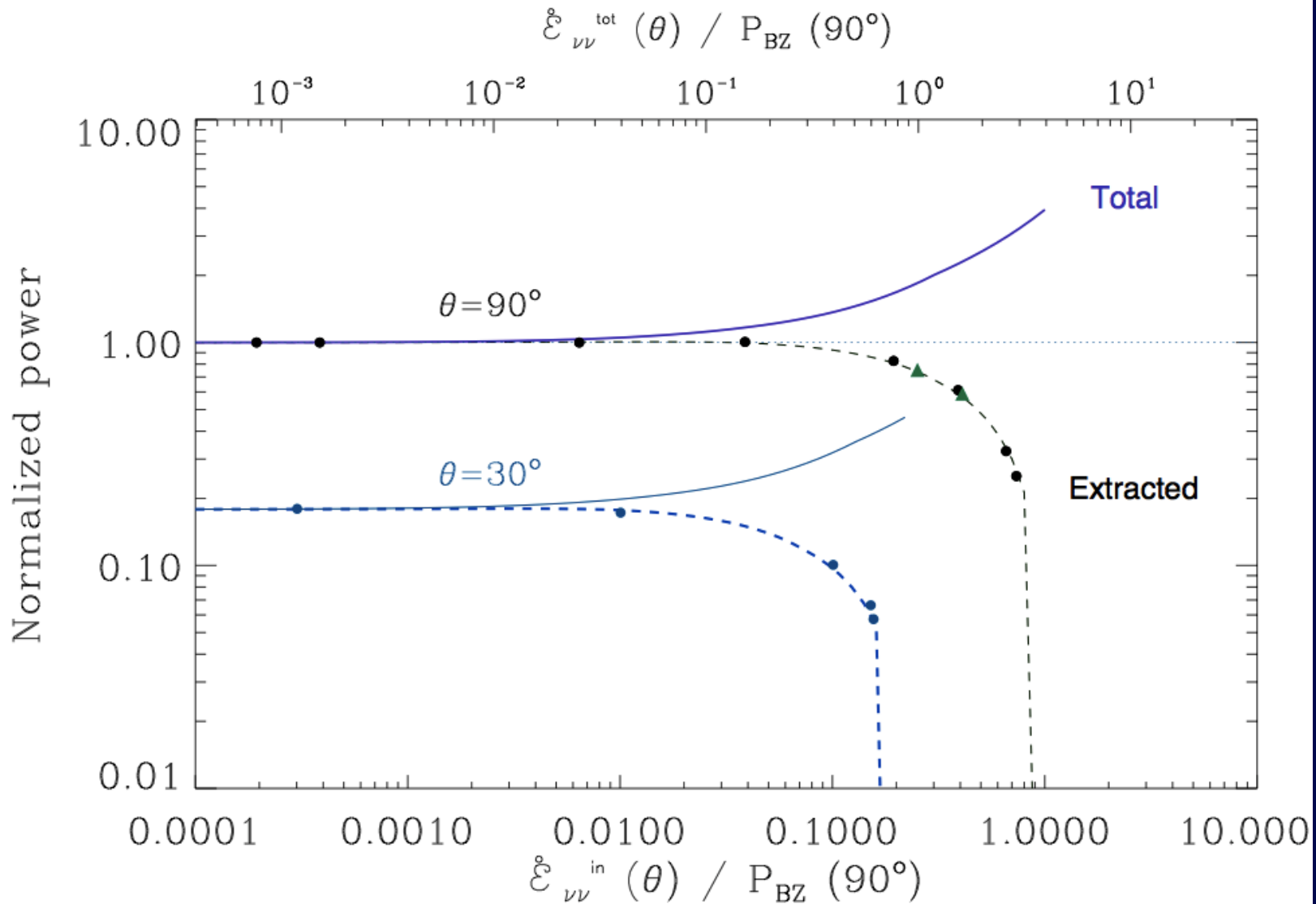
Double flow structure (GL '14)

Load parameter: $\kappa = \frac{\text{injected power}}{\text{BZ power}}$

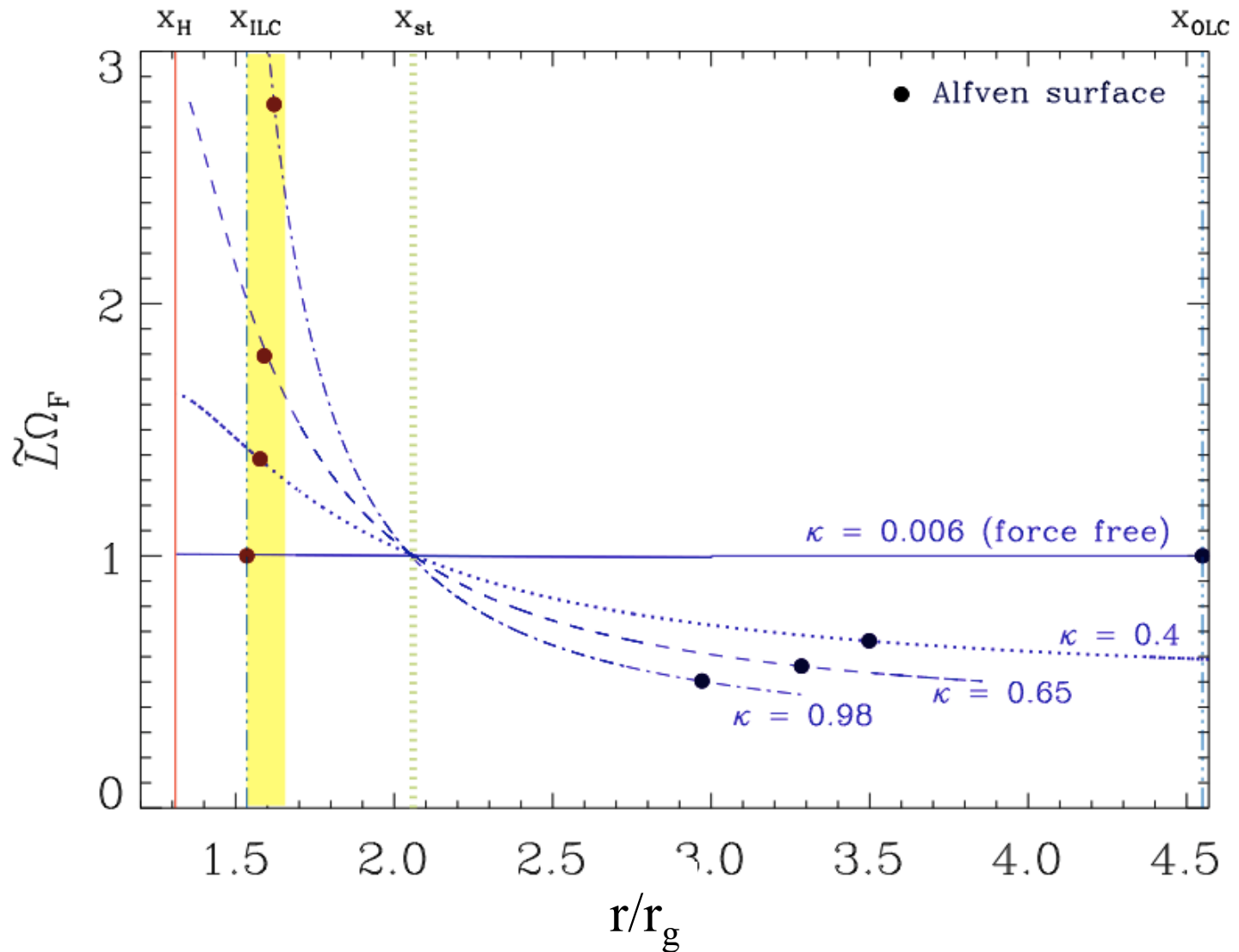
($\kappa = 0$: force-free, $\kappa = \infty$: HD)



Regime of energy extraction



Inner Alfvén point



BZ versus neutrino driven outflow

Outflow is powered by BH if

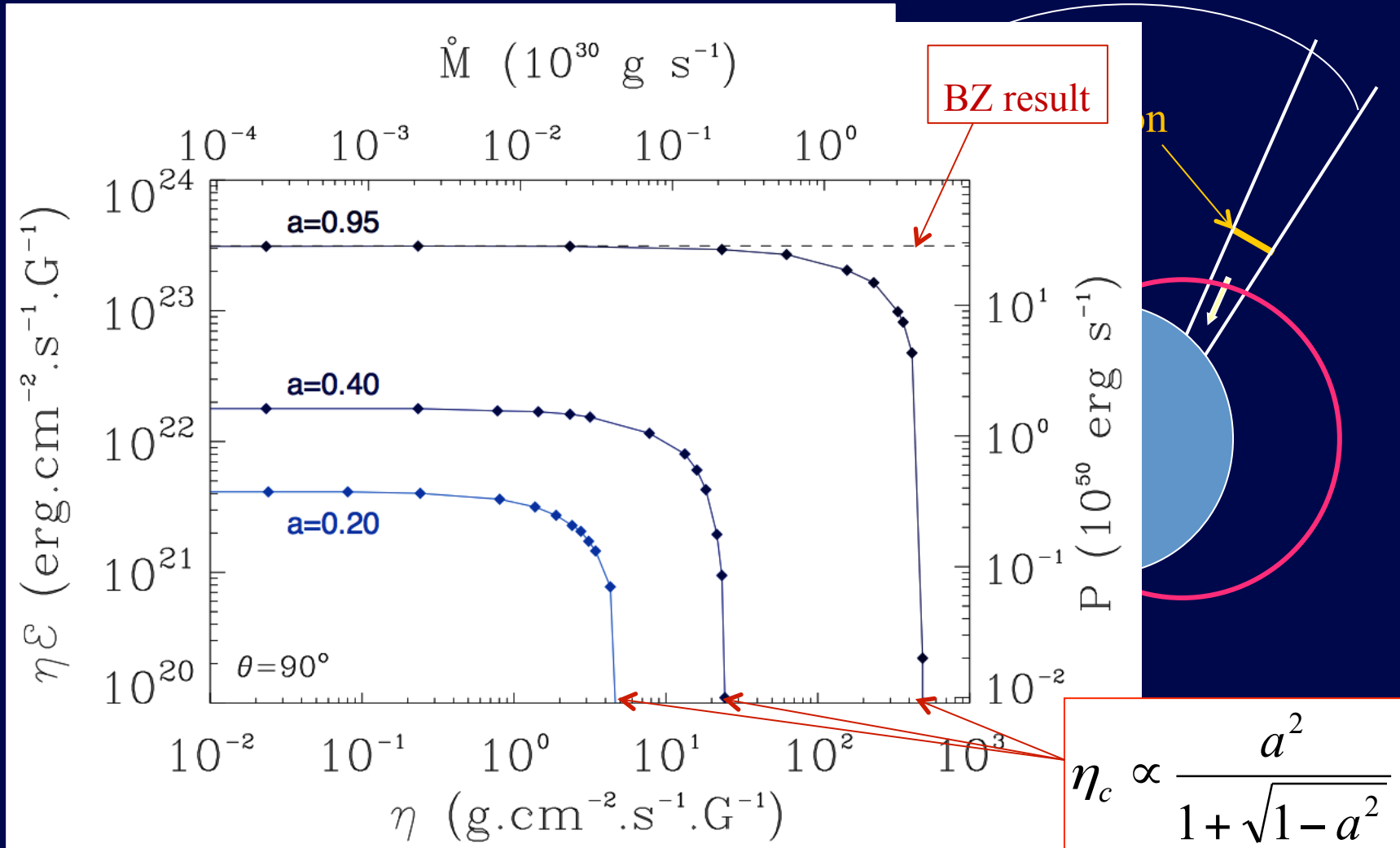
$$\dot{E}_{\nu\nu} < P_{BZ}$$
$$\Rightarrow \dot{m}_{acc} < \dot{m}_c = 0.1 \left(\frac{M_H}{3M_{\odot}} \right)^{-2/9} \left(\frac{\Psi_B}{10^{27} G cm^2} \right)^{8/9} f(a)$$

Otherwise it's driven by neutrino annihilation

- From the disk model of Chen+Beloborodov '07 we estimate $\dot{m}_c \sim 0.1$ for $B^2/(8\pi p) = 0.1$

Cold flow (mass injection)

Plasma inflow on equatorial plan, $\theta=\pi/2$



Conclusions

- In faint sources a gap may form, giving rise to magnetospheric VHE emission (e.g., Tev emission from M87).
- At high injection rates two regimes are expected: below a critical load BZ process activated. Above it, flow is driven by external source.
- In GRBs a BZ jet can form if the magnetic flux is high enough. Otherwise, the flow is driven by neutrino annihilation.
- In AGNs, mass loading of field lines with high inclination angles may result in a nontrivial dependence of jet power on BH spin