

# The role of magnetic fields in relativistic accretion flows and supernova explosions

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# The road so far...

## The Italian period

- ▶ Master degree at *Osservatorio astrofisico di Arcetri, Firenze*  
(supervisors: Luca Del Zanna, Niccolò Bucciantini)



## The German period

- ▶ PhD at *Max Planck Institut für Astrophysik, Garching*  
(supervisor: Ewald Müller)



## The French period

- ▶ PostDoc at *CEA in the MagBurst project (LMPA)*  
(advisor: Jérôme Guilet)





Thick accretion disks

## Accretion disks

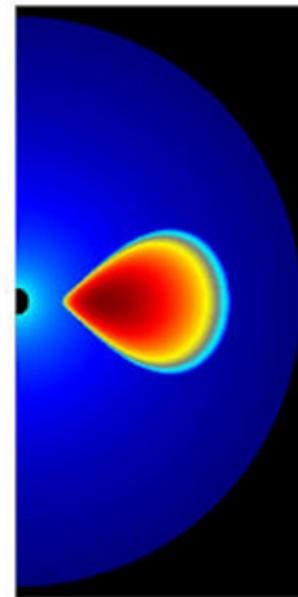
- ▶ **Accretion on compact objects** is the central engine that powers up a list of astrophysical systems (AGNs, GRBs, X-Ray Binaries, etc...).
- ▶ It occurs almost always through a **disk** (conservation of angular momentum).
- ▶ Accretion  $\Rightarrow$  **transport of angular momentum outwards**  $\Rightarrow$  local shear stress.
- ▶ **Magnetic fields** play a crucial role in enabling accretion (e.g. MRI, Balbus and Hawley (1998)) and collimating relativistic outflows (Blandford and Znajek, 1977).



Thick accretion disks

## Thick disks

- ▶ Significant **pressure gradients**  $\Rightarrow$  disk supported not just by rotation.
- ▶ **Sub-Keplerian** angular momentum distribution, **thicker and hotter** than standard-model.
- ▶ Used to model accretion flows close to the **black hole event horizon**.
- ▶ Difficult to resolve the scales where **turbulence and dissipation** occur, for which **local models** work better.



(Gammie et al., 2003)



# 3D tori and the PPI-MRI interaction



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Stability of accretion tori around black holes

## Magnetorotational instability

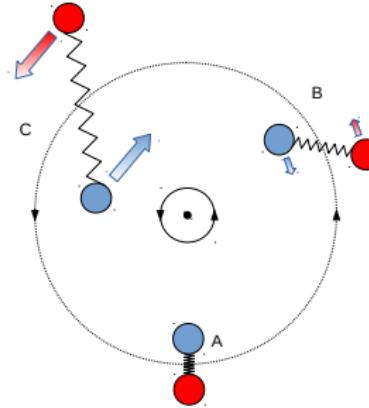
- ▶ Disks are **hydrodynamically stable** by the *Rayleigh stability criterion*

$$\frac{d(R^4 \Omega^2)}{dR} > 0$$

- ▶ But they are **MHD unstable** when (Balbus and Hawley, 1998)

$$\frac{d(\Omega^2)}{dR} < 0$$

- ▶ **Local** instability
- ▶ **Linear** instability (normal mode analysis)
- ▶ Independent of field strength and orientation
- ▶ Grows on **dynamical time scales**





Stability of accretion tori around black holes

# Papaloizou-Pringle instability (PPI)



## Numerical results

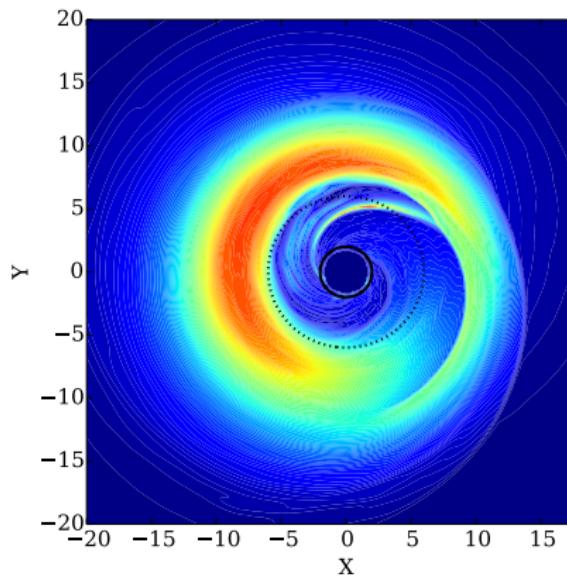
# 3D simulations with ECHO (Bugli et al., 2018)



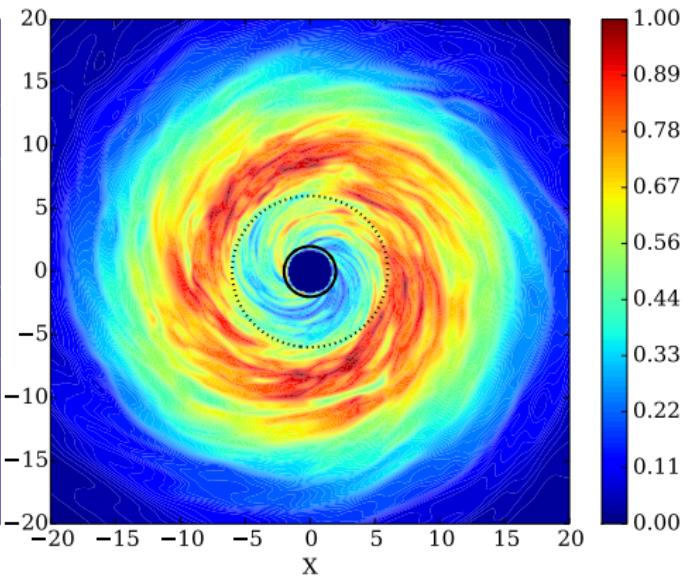
Numerical results

# Equatorial density slices

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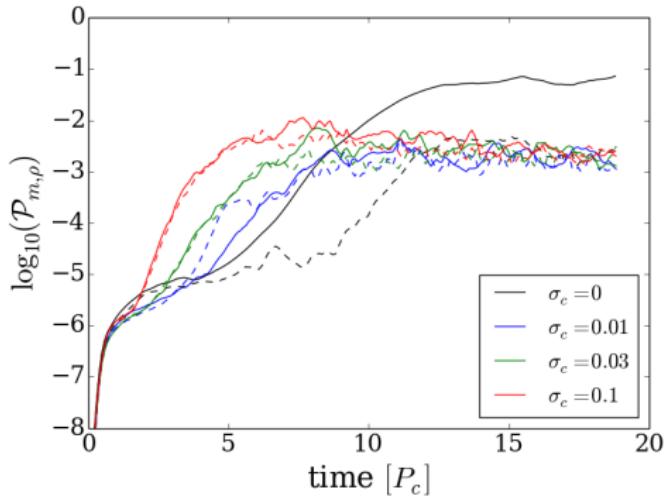
MHD





Numerical results

## Azimuthal modes power



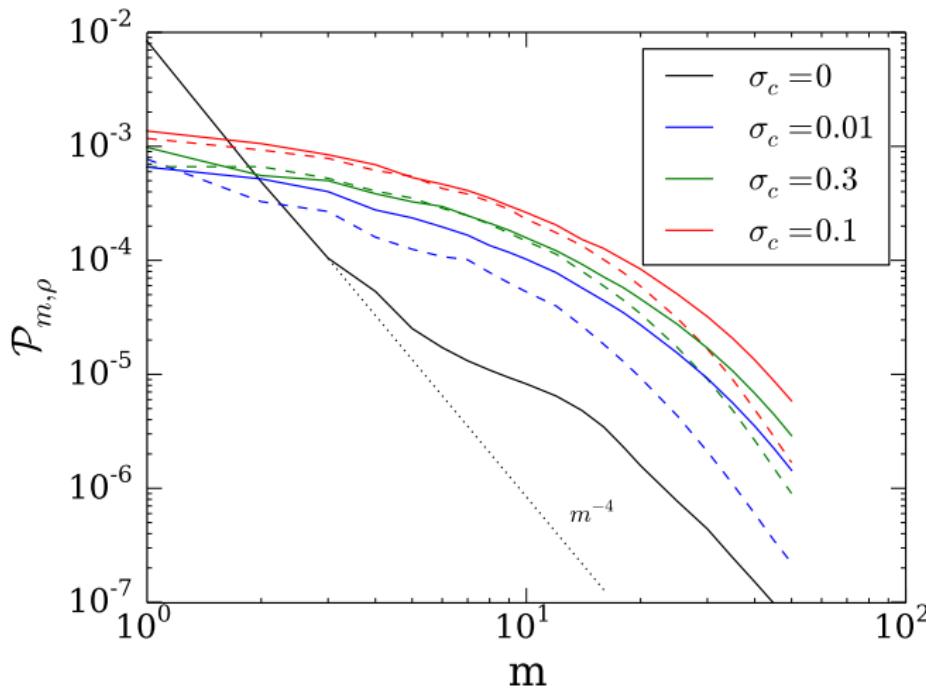
$$\mathcal{P}_{m,\rho} = \left\| \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \rho e^{im\phi} d\phi \right\|^2$$

- ▶ Solid  $\Rightarrow m = 1$
- ▶ Dashed  $\Rightarrow m = 2$
- ▶  $P_c$ : central orbital period
- ▶  $\sigma_c$ : central magnetization



Numerical results

# Density Spectrum

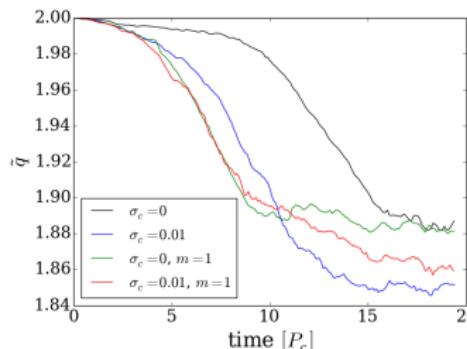
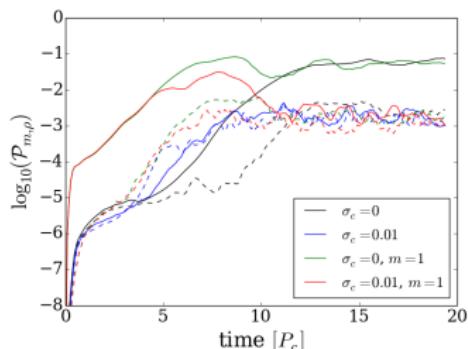




## Numerical results

# What if the PPI has an initial "upper hand"?

- ▶ Initial  $m = 1$  perturbation in the orbital velocity
- ▶ Transient growth of the PPI, then **the  $m = 1$  mode is damped**
- ▶ No clear deviation in the angular momentum profile (Hawley, 2000)
- ▶  $\Omega \propto R^{-\tilde{q}}$ , with  $1.5 < \tilde{q} < 2$





## Conclusions (I)

### PPI vs. MRI

- ▶ General suppression of the  $m = 1$  mode selected by PPI.
- ▶ Possible transient growth of the PPI, followed by a damping due to the coupling with higher order modes.

### Further aspects to be considered:

- ▶ Test more general magnetized equilibrium solutions (Gimeno-Soler and Font, 2017).
- ▶ Magnetic diffusion could allow for a significant growth of the  $m = 1$  mode.
- ▶ Inclusion of the disk's self-gravity could significantly affect the suppression of PPI (Mewes et al., 2016).
- ▶ Computation of GW signatures of the interplay between PPI and MRI (Kiuchi et al., 2011).



The general problem

# Magnetized core-collapse Supernovæ



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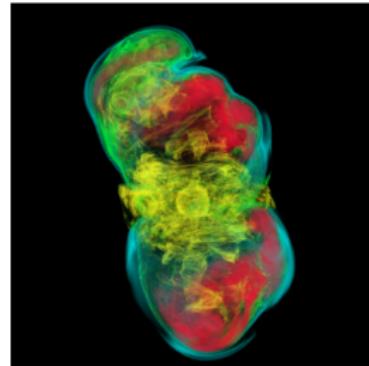
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The general problem

# CCSN: a simplistic introduction

- ▶ **Core-collapse supernova:**
  - ▶ gravitational collapse of a massive star out of nuclear fuel
  - ▶ shock formation when nuclear densities are reached
  - ▶ expansion of the shock and launch of unbound material in the ISM (explosion)
- ▶ Vast majority of CCSN explosions are understood as driven by the **neutrino-heating mechanism.**



Mösta et al. (2014)



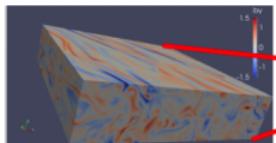
The general problem

# CCSN and magnetic fields

- ▶ Some classes of CCSN exhibit higher kinetic energies (**Hypernovæ**  $\sim 10^{52}$  ergs) or luminosities (**Superluminous SN**  $\sim 10^{51}$  ergs)
- ▶ **Rotation** and **magnetic fields** can provide an important energy reservoir
- ▶ **Amplification** of the field to dynamically significant strength (core compression, winding of poloidal field, MRI...)

# The MagBurst project

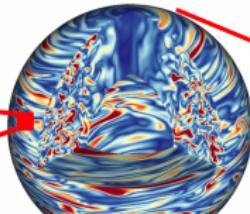
Step 1: Local models  
(MRI)



$\sim 1\text{-}5 \text{ km}$

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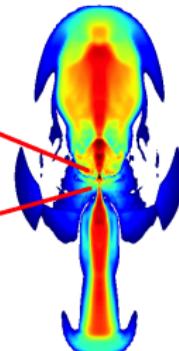
Step 2: Global models  
(MRI & Convective Dynamo)



$\sim 10\text{-}50 \text{ km}$

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Step 3: Hypernova



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- ▶ **Amplification** of magnetic field and magnetar formation
- ▶ **Multi-scale problem**, interconnected steps
- ▶ How does the PNS dynamo affect the explosion properties?



## Initial magnetic field: pure dipole?

- ▶ Poor constraints from both observations and evolutionary models on the initial field.
- ▶ Uniform field up to  $r_0 \sim 10^3$ km, then magnetic dipole (Suwa et al., 2007):

$$A_\phi = \frac{B_0}{2} \frac{r_0^3}{r^3 + r_0^3} r \sin \theta$$

- ▶ Very few examples of quadrupolar field in the literature (Ardeljan et al., 2005; Sawai et al., 2005) with somewhat contradicting results.
- ▶ Generalized multipolar expansion:

$$A_{\phi,I} = B_0 \frac{\sqrt{I}}{2I+1} \frac{r_0^{I+2}}{r^{I+2} + r_0^{I+2}} r \frac{P_{I-1}(\cos \theta) - P_{I+1}(\cos \theta)}{\sin \theta}$$



Non-dipolar magnetic topologies

# Standard magnetorotational explosion



Non-dipolar magnetic topologies

# Dipole vs. Quadrupole (preliminary!)

## Non-dipolar magnetic topologies

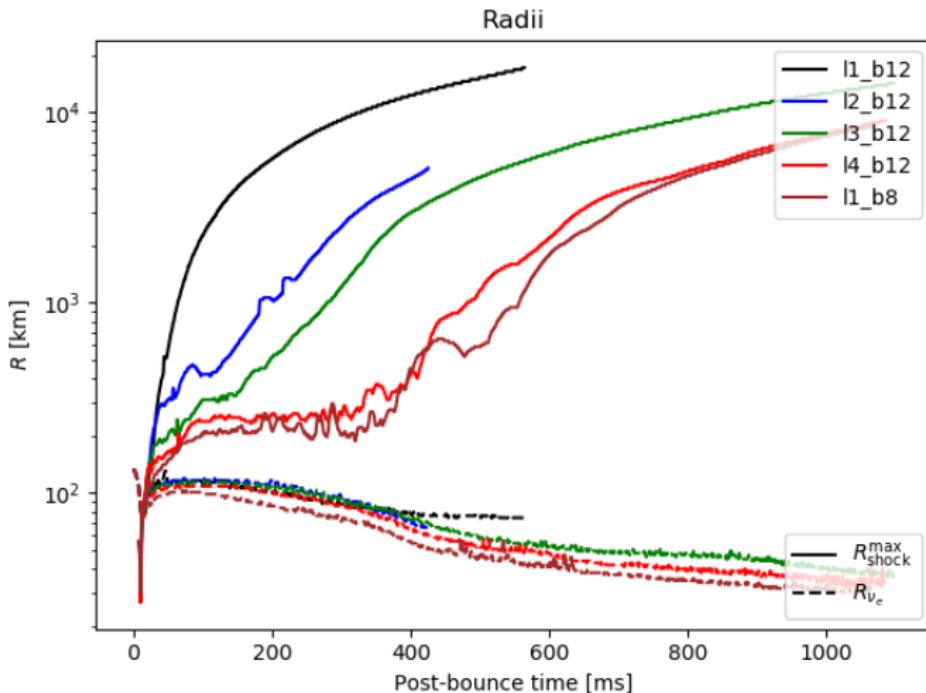
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Non-dipolar magnetic topologies

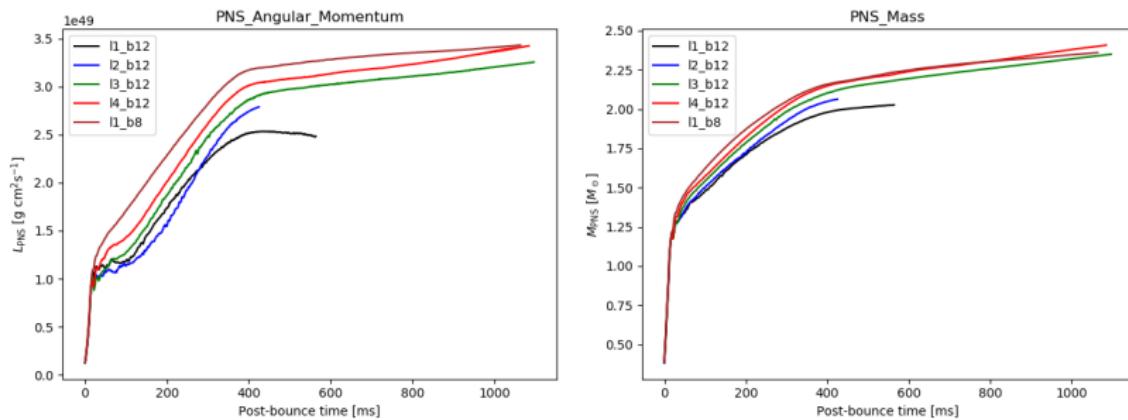
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## Comparison: shock radii (preliminary!)



Non-dipolar magnetic topologies

# Comparison: PNS mass and spin (preliminary!)



## Conclusions (II)

- ▶ Impact of different **multipolar configurations** on the onset of explosion, PNS mass accretion and spin evolution.
- ▶ **Later explosions** and higher mass and spin of the PNS for higher multipoles.

## Perspectives

- ▶ **Extension to 3D** using the axisymmetric models as guiding line
- ▶ **Subgrid modeling** of the unresolved dynamo in the PNS (mean-field approach)

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