

Modeling of hydrodynamic behavior of Be and Be/X-ray binaries' disks

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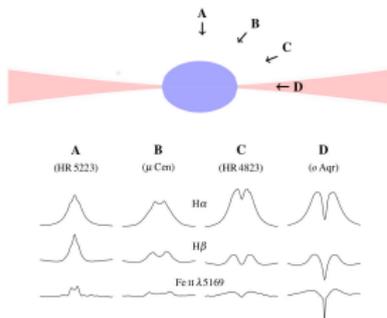
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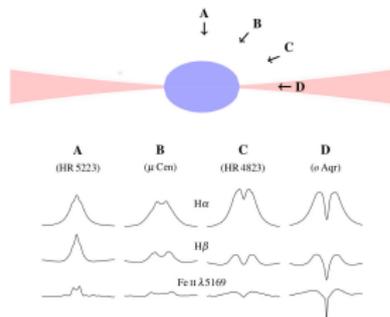
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- *Fastest rotators* among all (nondegenerate) types of stars on average \rightarrow dense equatorial (near) Keplerian outflowing disks (e.g., Rivinius+ 2013a)
- *Viscosity* plays a key role in the outward transport of mass and angular momentum (Lee+ 1991, Okazaki 2001)
- *Exact mechanism of disk creation* still uncertain (probably non-radial pulsations - cf. talk of D. Baade)
- We calculate *self-consistent time-dependent* models of disk density-temperature structure using own 2D codes (Kurfürst & Krtićka *accepted*, Kurfürst+ *submitted*)
- We investigate the influence of a compact (NS) companion within the models

Basic hydrodynamics

Basic hydrodynamics in axisymmetric ($\partial/\partial\phi = 0$) case:

- *Continuity equation* (mass conservation law)

$$\frac{\partial\rho}{\partial t} + \frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial}{\partial R} (R\rho V_R) = 0$$

- The corresponding *radial momentum conservation equation* is

$$\frac{\partial V_R}{\partial t} + V_R \frac{\partial V_R}{\partial R} = \frac{V_\phi^2}{R} - \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial (a^2 \rho)}{\partial R} - \frac{GM_\star R}{(R^2 + z^2)^{3/2}}$$

- The explicit 2D form of the *conservation equation of the angular momentum*

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (R\rho V_\phi) + \frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial}{\partial R} (R^2 \rho V_R V_\phi) = R \sigma_{R\phi},$$

where $\sigma_{R\phi}$ is the **viscous torque** (including second-order shear viscosity)

- *Equation of state* (disk temperature primarily maintained by external source of energy - central star)

$$p = \rho a^2$$

Basic hydrodynamics

Determining equations of viscous disk structure

- Integrated disk column (surface) density $\Sigma = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \rho dz$

- Shear viscous stress

$$\sigma_{R\phi} \approx \eta \frac{dV_{\phi}}{dR} \approx \nu \Sigma \frac{dV_{\phi}}{dR} \approx \alpha a \lambda \Sigma \frac{dV_{\phi}}{dR}, \quad \eta = f \rho \lambda V_{\text{turb}}$$

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- **Parameterization of viscosity** (parameterization of temperature only in ICs):

$$\alpha = \alpha_0 \left(\frac{R_{\text{eq}}}{R} \right)^n, \quad \alpha_0 \text{ is disk base viscosity} \rightarrow$$

we calculate also models with decreasing (non-constant) α (Kurfürst+ 2014)

- The full second order ϕ component of viscosity ($\partial/\partial\phi = 0$, $\partial/\partial z = 0$):

$$\sigma_{R\phi} = -\frac{1}{R^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial R} \left(\alpha a^2 R^3 \rho \frac{\partial \ln V_{\phi}}{\partial R} - \alpha a^2 R^2 \rho \right)$$

2-D hydrodynamic modeling

Time-dependent 2-D calculations

- Calculation of vertical hydrodynamic and thermal structure of the disk
- Vertical *hydrostatic equilibrium* in the thin disk ($z \ll R$):

$$\rho \approx \rho_{\text{eq}} \exp\left(-\frac{z^2}{2H^2}\right), \text{ where } \rho_{\text{eq}} \text{ is the disk midplane density}$$

- Vertical *scale height*: $H = aR/V_{\phi}$, $\Sigma \approx \sqrt{2\pi}\rho_{\text{eq}}H$.
- Vertical *thermal and radiative equilibrium* in regions with $\tau > 0.75$:

$$\frac{dT}{dz} = \nabla \frac{T}{p} \frac{dp}{dz}, \quad \nabla = d \ln T / d \ln p, \quad \nabla_{\text{rad}} = \frac{3\kappa p}{16\sigma T^4} \frac{F_z}{g_z}$$

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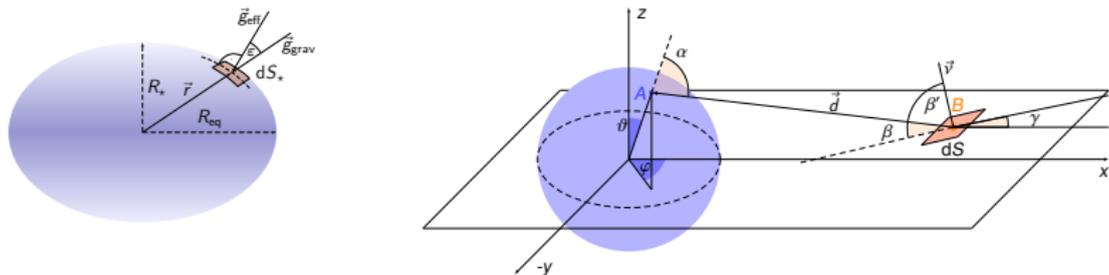
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- In *optically thin domain* with $\tau < 0.75$ we employ LTE and *radiative (gray) equilibrium* of the gas with the impinging external stellar irradiative flux
- Included *radiative cooling* in domains with $T \geq 15\,000$ K (Rosner+ 1978, Carlsson & Leenaarts 2012)

$$Q_T = -\frac{dF_{\text{cool}}}{dz} = -n_e n_H P(T), \quad P(T) \text{ is tabulated (radiative losses).}$$

2-D hydrodynamic modeling of circumstellar viscous disks - assumptions and tools



- *Left panel:* Rotationally oblate star (Roche model) - von Zeipel theorem:

$$\vec{F}_*(\Omega, \vartheta) = - \frac{L_*}{4\pi GM_* \left(1 - \frac{\Omega^2}{2\pi G \langle \rho \rangle}\right)} \vec{g}_{\text{eff}}(\Omega, \vartheta),$$

- *Right panel:* Scheme of the geometry of the disk irradiation by a central star
- Radiative flux from one half of the stellar surface:

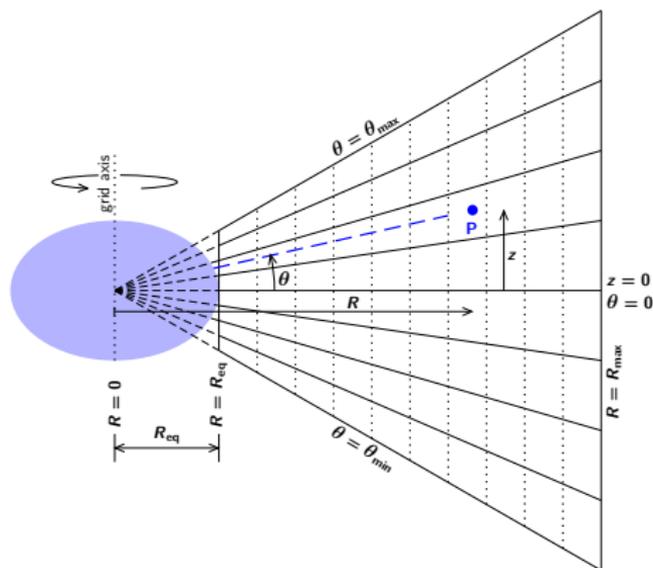
$$F_*(\Omega, \vartheta) = \int_0^{2\pi} d\varphi \int_0^1 I(\mu) \mu d\mu = \pi I(1) \left(1 - \frac{u}{3}\right), \quad \text{where } \mu = \cos \alpha$$

- Irradiative flux that impinges each point B in the disk (cf. Smak 1989):

$$\mathcal{F}_{\text{irr}} = \frac{1}{\pi} \iint_{\vartheta, \varphi} F_*(\Omega, \vartheta) dS_* \frac{[1 - u(1 - \mu)] \mu \sin \beta}{(1 - u/3) d^2},$$

2-D hydrodynamic modeling of circumstellar viscous disks - assumptions and tools - grid in non-orthogonal “flaring” coordinates

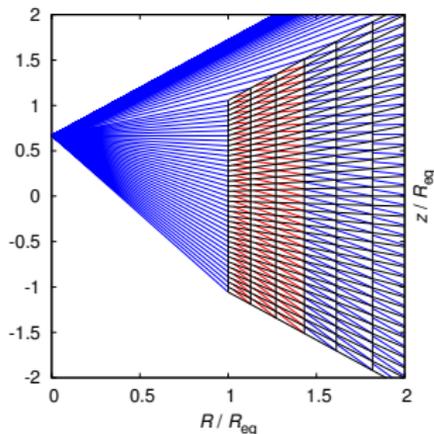
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Transformation equations from the flaring into Cartesian coordinates:

$$x = R \cos \phi, \quad y = R \sin \phi, \quad z = R \tan \theta.$$

Optical depth we calculate using short characteristics method:



We use two types of own HD codes:

- operator-split (ZEUS-like) finite volume for 2D smooth hydrodynamic calculations
- unsplit (ATHENA-like) finite volume algorithm based on the Roe's method

2-D hydrodynamic modeling of circumstellar viscous disks

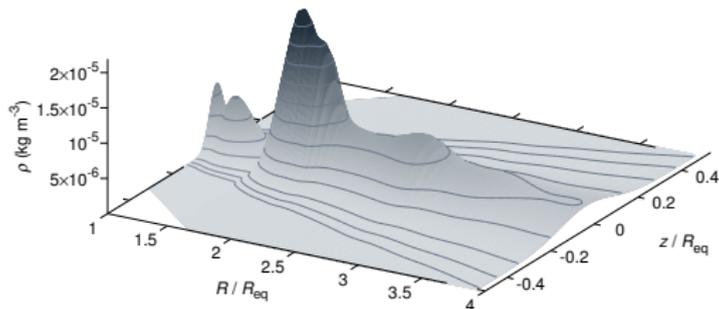
- Self-consistent time-dependent 2-D calculations
- 2-D calculation of disk density structure up to 100 stellar radii
- conical computational grid ($R - z$ plane)
- vertical hydrostatic equilibrium
- propagation of the disk density transforming wave (Kurfürst+ 2014)

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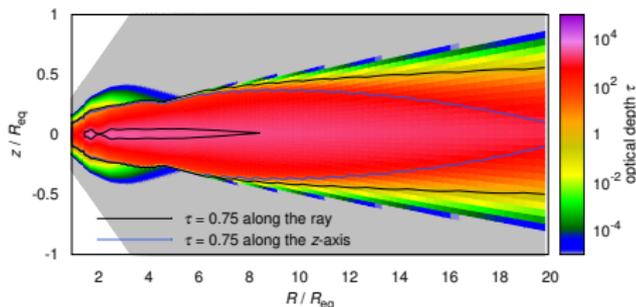
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2-D hydrodynamic modeling of circumstellar viscous disks

- Self-consistent time-dependent 2-D calculations of inner dense disk structure (Kurfürst & Kr̄t̄icka *accepted*, Kurfürst+ *submitted*)
- Inner disk density: $\dot{M} = 10^{-6} M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$, $\alpha = \alpha_0 = 0.1$,
 R_s (sonic point radius) $\approx 2 \times 10^4 R_{\text{eq}}$:

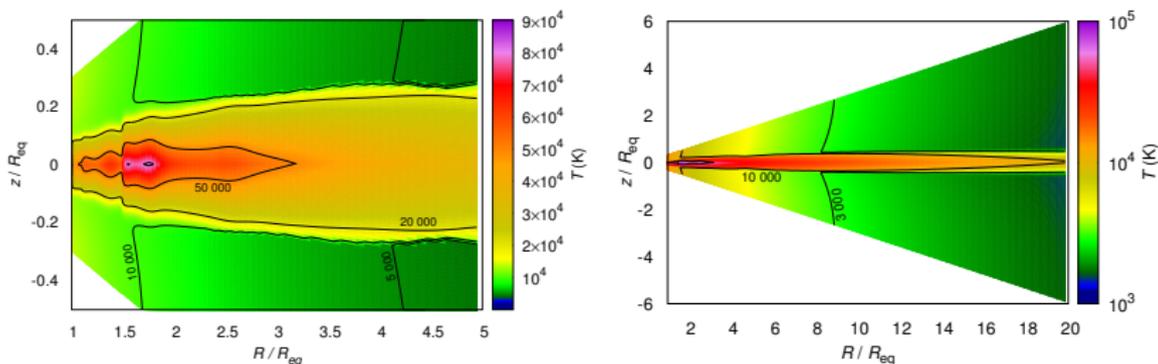


- The profile of the optical depth in the same disk (up to $20 R_{\text{eq}}$):



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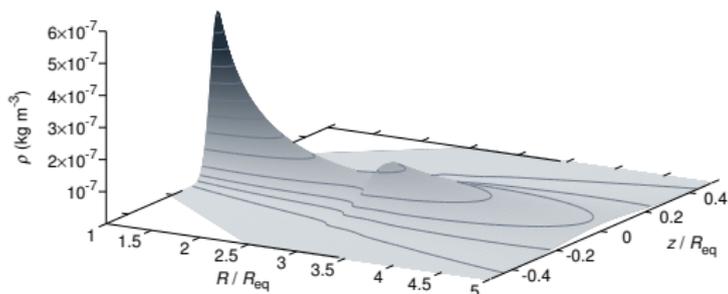
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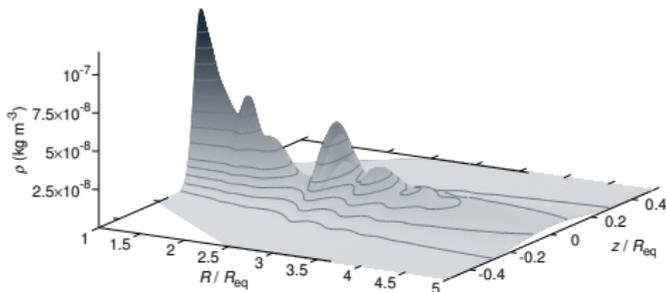
- Left panel:* Temperature distribution in the dense inner disk, $\dot{M} = 10^{-6} M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$, $\alpha = \alpha_0 = 0.1$. The region of increased temperature near disk midplane is generated by viscosity.
- Right panel:* The same, up to 20 stellar equatorial radii.
- The maximum temperature in the disk core, $T_{\text{max}} \approx 80\,000 \text{ K}$.

2-D hydrodynamic modeling of circumstellar viscous disks

- Self-consistent time-dependent 2-D calculations of inner dense disk structure
- Inner disk density: $\dot{M} = 10^{-8} M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$, $\alpha = \alpha_0 = 0.1$, $R_s \approx 2.5 \times 10^4 R_{\text{eq}}$:

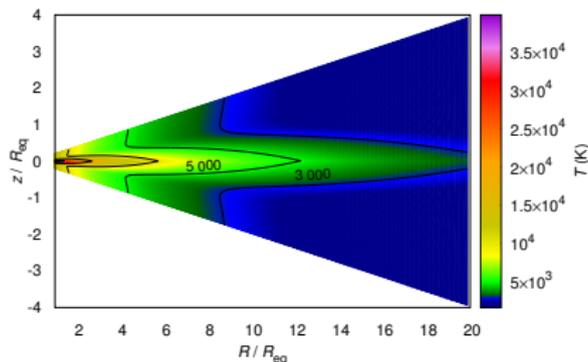


- Inner disk density: $\dot{M} = 10^{-8} M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$, $\alpha = \alpha_0 = 1.0$, periodic density waves if $\alpha_0 \gtrsim 0.5$:

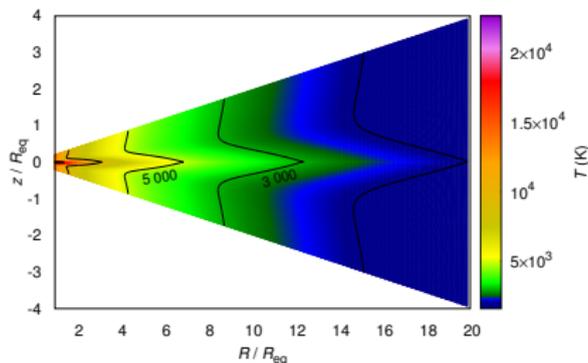


2-D hydrodynamic modeling of circumstellar viscous disks

- Self-consistent time-dependent 2-D calculations of inner dense disk structure
- T profile in the dense inner disk, $\dot{M} = 10^{-8} M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$, $\alpha = \alpha_0 = 0.1$:



- T profile in the dense inner disk, $\dot{M} = 10^{-9} M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$, $\alpha = \alpha_0 = 0.1$:



Disks of Be/X-ray binaries

(Krtička+ 2015)

- X-ray emission in the Be/X-ray binaries comes from accretion onto NS (Reig 2011)
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- Two extreme cases for aligned disk-NS systems:
 - Corotating NS: $V_{\text{rel}} = V_R$
 - Disk truncated far from NS: $V_{\text{rel}} = V_R^2 + V_\phi^2$
- In systems with low eccentricity we expect the disk truncation at 3 : 1 resonance radius (Okazaki & Negueruela 2001) $\rightarrow R_1/R_3 \approx 0.48$
- If $r_{\text{acc}} > H$, NS accretes all the disk material \rightarrow X-ray luminosity:

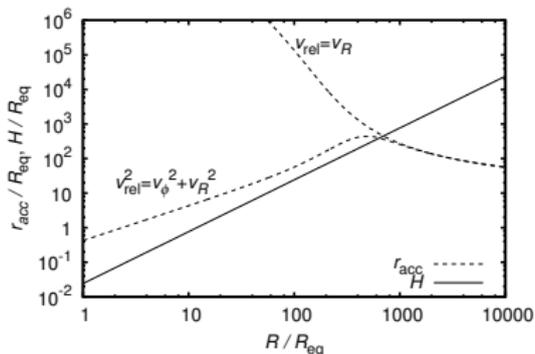
$$L_X = \frac{GM_X \dot{M}}{R_X},$$

where \dot{M} is the accretion rate and R_X is the NS radius.

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- Comparison of r_{acc} and disk scale-height H :



- Sample of Be/X-ray binaries ($r_{\text{acc}} > H$, $\dot{M} \sim 10^{-13} - 10^{-9} M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$):

Parameters of selected Be/X-ray binaries:

Binary	Sp. Type	T_{eff} [kK]	R [R_{\odot}]	D [R_{\odot}]	L_X [erg s^{-1}]
V831 Cas	B1V	24	4.5	480	2×10^{35}
IGR J16393-4643	BV	24	4.5	18.8	4×10^{35}
V615 Cas	B0Ve	26	4.9	43	5×10^{35}
HD 259440	B0Vpe	30	5.8	510	1.2×10^{33}
HD 215770	O9.7IIIe	28	12.8	260	6.5×10^{36}
CPD-632495	B2Ve	34	7.0	177	3.5×10^{34}
GRO J1008-57	B0eV	30	5.8	390	3×10^{37}

2D time-dependent models of Be/X-ray binaries' disks

- We include NS gravity and X-ray heating of the ambient disk gas (the same in following models)
- Hypothetical corotating BeXRB, $T_0 \approx 32\,000\text{ K}$, $L_X \approx 5 \cdot 10^{35}\text{ erg s}^{-1}$, $\dot{M} = 10^{-10} M_\odot/\text{yr}$, $D \approx 390 R_\odot \approx 45 R_{\text{eq}}$, $r_{\text{acc}}/H \propto 10^4$, complete time of displayed simulation: 1.17 yr

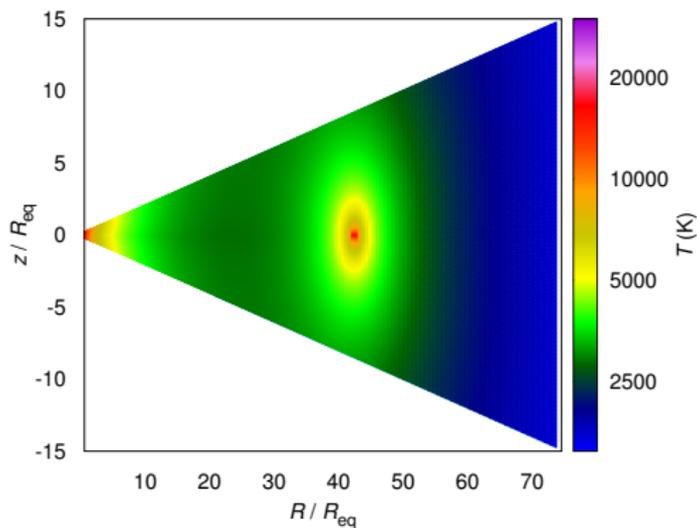
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- Density profile in radial - vertical plane in the direction of NS

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- Hypothetical corotating BeXRB, $T_0 \approx 15\,000\text{ K}$, $L_X \approx 5 \cdot 10^{35}\text{ erg s}^{-1}$, $T_X \geq 26\,000\text{ K}$, $\dot{M} = 10^{-10}\text{ }M_\odot/\text{yr}$, $D \approx 390\text{ }R_\odot \approx 45\text{ }R_{\text{eq}}$, $r_{\text{acc}}/H \propto 10^4$



- Temperature profile in radial - vertical plane in the direction of NS

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- GRO J1008-57 - type, B0eV, $T_0 \approx 32\,000\text{ K}$, $L_X \approx 3 \cdot 10^{37}\text{ erg s}^{-1}$,
 $\dot{M} = 2.85 \cdot 10^{-9} M_\odot/\text{yr}$, $D \approx 390 R_\odot \approx 45 R_{\text{eq}}$, $r_{\text{acc}}/H \propto 10^4$, complete time of
displayed simulation: 0.72 yr

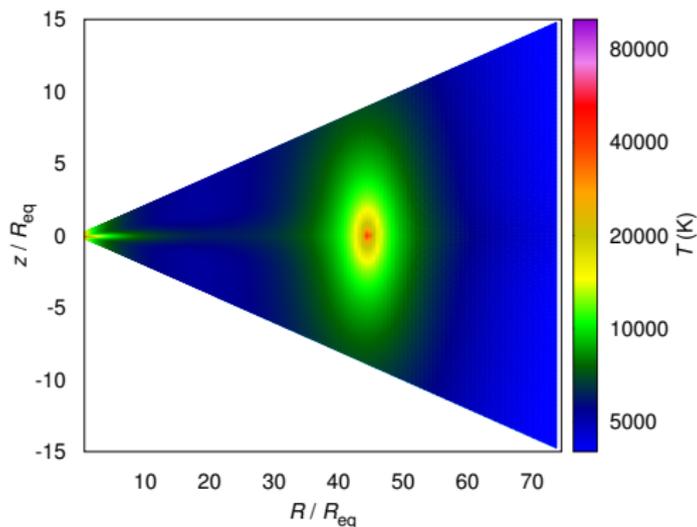
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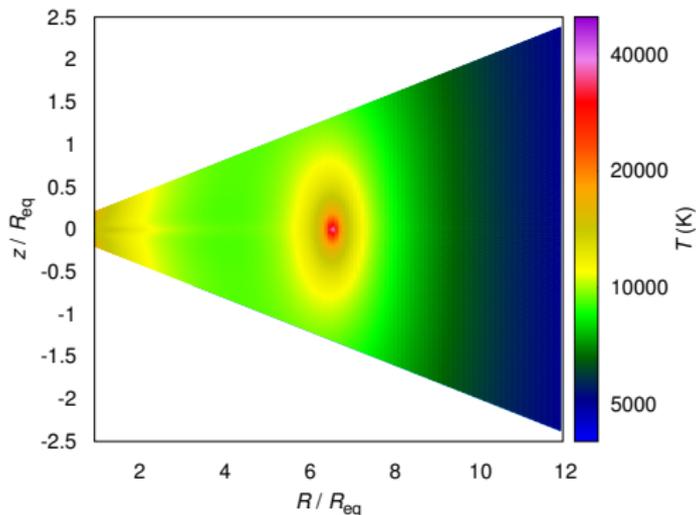
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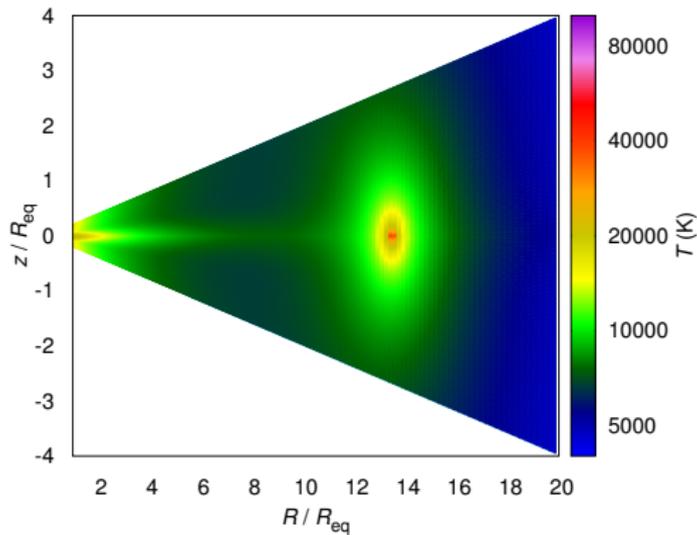
- V615Cas - type, B0Ve, $T_0 \approx 16\,200$ K, $L_X \approx 5 \cdot 10^{35}$ erg s $^{-1}$, $T_X \geq 40\,000$ K, $\dot{M} = 5 \cdot 10^{-11} M_\odot/\text{yr}$, $D \approx 43 R_\odot \approx 6.6 R_{\text{eq}}$, $r_{\text{acc}}/H \propto 10^5$



- Temperature profile in radial - vertical plane in the direction of NS

2D time-dependent models of Be/X-ray binaries' disks

- HD215770 - type, O9.7IIIe, $T_0 \approx 22\,500\text{ K}$, $L_X \approx 6.5 \cdot 10^{36}\text{ erg s}^{-1}$,
 $T_X \geq 60\,000\text{ K}$, $\dot{M} = 6 \cdot 10^{-10}\text{ M}_\odot/\text{yr}$, $D \approx 260\text{ R}_\odot \approx 13.5\text{ R}_{\text{eq}}$, $r_{\text{acc}}/H \propto 10^4$



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Conclusions

- The higher values of the α viscosity parameter and/or high mass loss rates lead to unstable disk behavior, producing waves or bumps in the inner disk region
- The viscous-heated disk midplane strips disappear for $\dot{M} < 10^{-10} M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$.
- The inner disk structure is not affected by presence of NS binary
- The disk density truncation in the NS direction begins approximately at 3 : 1 resonance radius (cf. Okazaki & Negueruela 2001)
- The disk is truncated relatively near the central star (inside sonic point radius), in case of a critically rotating star \dot{M} should increase.
- Future calculations \rightarrow models with eccentric and inclined (non-aligned) orbits of NS, models where $r_{\text{acc}} < H$.