MAXI SOURCES AND RELATIVISTIC JETS

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OUTLINE

- Accretion, jets and X-ray binaries in outburst
- The state transition under the microscope
- On the jets fate after ejection ?
- Specific focus on some recent MAXI sources (which is good as it was the most interesting targets) including a very unique one.
- Large scale jets as cosmic rays accelerators ?



MICROQUASARS IN OUTBURST



- Regular outbursts with different timescales (CV, NS, BH)
- Key role of MAXI for detection and follow up of new transients !
- **Spectral states** variations with **timing** signatures (Hard —> Soft —> Hard)
- Multi-wavelength emission
- Strong connection with **jets/winds** emissions

See the various talks during the conference

MAXI J1348-630 in outburst (Zhang et al. 2020)

Hardness

Intensity

Diagram

(HID)





VARIOUS FLAVOURS OF JETS



THE UNIFIED PICTURE OF JET EJECTION



- Unification (Corbel et al. 2004; Fender et al. 2004)
- Global picture also almost works for CV and NS XRBs
- Many questions on the jet « line » !
- Universality, GR effect ?
- But do not forget about winds (some talks today and Thursday morning).

SOME OPEN QUESTIONS

- Behind this unification scheme, causality of events around jet ejection, connection with corona ? Nature of the corona ?
- Nature of the **microquasars emission** across the electromagnetic spectrum and associated physical processes/geometry ? See second review later by A. Tetarenko.
- Jets **feedback** ? **Interactions** with surrounding environment ? Jets energetics ? Maximum energy of particles acceleration ?
- New major sources these recents years: MAXI J1820+070, MAXI J1348-630, MAXI J1535-571 and Swift J1727.8-1613 for example and V404 Cyg, it changes from GX 339-4 and GRS 1915+105 ! Thanks to All Sky Monitors like MAXI, we need them !
- + **new** major **technics** and observing **campaigns** (and the way, these have been done).

The dynamic radio sky: Five years of radio monitoring X-ray binaries with MeerKAT

Part of the ThunderKAT project (PIs Rob Fender [Oxford]) and Patrick Woudt [Cape Town])

Movie credits Alex Andersson and Fraser Cowie, Oxford

RESOLVING JETS WITH MEERKAT



Mirabel & Rodríguez (1994)

THUNDERKAT LARGE-SCALE JETS

→ Omnipresence of large-scale jets from black hole X-ray binaries







- NICER: Hard to soft state transition with QPO evolution type C to B + drop in rms variability + brief flare
- The most promising observational X-ray markers of discrete jet ejections in transient BH LMXBs ? See also Miller-Jones et al. (2012) and Russell et al. (2019) for H1743-322 and MAXI J1535-571.



FAST VLBI IMAGING





• New VLBI technic for fast imaging (Wood et al 2021). See AT

- Identification of an earlier and slower ejection (0.30c) and 0.97c for the fastest one (Γ > 2.1)
- Approaching slow-moving component —> radio flare, likely linked to the switch from type-C to type-B QPOs.
- No definitive signature for the fast moving ejecta !



Wood et al. 2021



- Powerful jets in MAXI J1348-630 (Carotenuto et al. 2022b) , but ~ n_{ISM} . Φ^2 !
- Jet initial Lorentz factor $\Gamma_0 = 1.85^{+0.15}_{-0.12}$. We infer that MAXI J1348–630 is likely embedded in an ISM cavity with low internal density (similar to XTE J1550-564).

MODELING THE JET DYNAMICS

- Jet dynamical model based on plasmon adiabatic expansion (Wang et al. 2003)
- **Kinetic energy** is transferred to the swept up material via **external shocks**, in analogy with GRB afterglows
- Bayesian approach to fit the proper motion and infer physical parameters







• Comparison between the inferred initial Lorentz factor Γ_0 of the ejecta in our sample of large-scale jets the dimensionless spin parameter, the bolometric X-ray luminosity, the jet frame internal energy flare inferred from the radio flare associated to each ejection, the de-projected distance traveled by the jet. We find no clear correlation and more sources are needed to increase the sample of large-scale jets.

MAXI J1848-015

 X-ray binary, discovered in outburst in December 2020 by MAXI (Takagi et al. 20) (while the source was <u>Sun-constrained</u> for almost all other telescopes).



- NuSTAR observations (Pike et al. 2022) : State transition (soft, hard), relativistic reflection features, high spin (a = 0.967 +/- 0.013) —> A black hole candidate ?
- Early February 2021: Swift+Chandra follow-up -> located in the core of the cluster GLIMPSE-C01 but not coincident with any of the X-ray sources (e.g. Chakrabarty et al. 21).
- Short duration outburst. Radio counterpart (Tremou et al. 21) —> likely radio jets

GLIMPSE-C01

• GLIMPSE-C01: A poorly understood globular cluster in the Galactic plane with Spitzer (Kobulnicky et al. 05).



- Large population of X-ray sources (Chandra)
- A GC passing through the Galactic plane ?
- More compact than typical GC
- A rare intermediate age cluster ?



MAXI J1848-015

- Late February 2021: VLA observation, beginning of MeerKAT monitoring
- Detection of two moving jets over more than 2 years (active for 3 years)



MODELLING THE JETS PROPER MOTION



Bahramian et al. 2023

- Max distance from the jets : 4.2 kpc
- Assuming 3.3 kpc (distance to Glimpse-01):
 - Jet angle: 76 degrees
 - Intrinsic $\beta = 0.79$
- First conclusions from the <u>MeerKAT monitoring:</u>
 - First relativistic jets detected from an XRB in a GC (Bahamian et al. 2023)
 - Probing Jet-ISM interaction in an exotic environment
 - Extended campaign with Chandra and VLA (4 to 18 GHz) (PI: Corbel) + archival Chandra data



Bahramian et al. 2023

GLOBAL CONTEXT OF THE CHANDRA/VLA CAMPAIGN



Archival 180 ks Chandra ACIS-S with X sources from Hare et al. (2018) Some new X-ray sources, but no X-ray source at core location New Chandra data registered to X1, X2, X3, X4 and X5 sources Sub-pixel analysis





Also appear resolved

Discovery of moving X-ray sources lacksquareassociated with both radio jets, extended?

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THE JETS ARE RESOLVED

X-ray profile for South jet in Obs #3





VLA / Chandra South Obs #3





- X-ray jets = a head + a 3" extended tail
- Complexe evolution of the radio to Xray profiles



SED ON OBS #3 (SOUTH JET)



 SED for Obs #3 is consistent with synchrotron emission

- Under equipartition:
 - Minimum internal energy ~1043 erg
 - Magnetic field ~0.5 mGauss
- X-rays synchrotron —> electrons with E
 ~ 10s TeV
- But some more complicated and steep radio spectra for the others observations and North jet —> May need 2 diff. populations of electrons, consistent with reverse and forward shocks.



Tremou et al. in prep

Corbel et al. (submitted)



LARGE SCALE JETS AS COSMIC ACCELERATORS ?

- Ultra-high-energy gamma-ray bubble around microquasar
 V4641 Sgr from HAWK (Alfaro et al. 2024) —> very hard
 spectrum up to 200 TeV.
- LHAASO Collab (Subm.):
 - V4641 Sgr : An extended source consistent with South HAWK source up to 0.8 PeV: « super PeVatron »,
 - SS433: Détection of VHE associated with jets interaction zones, hadronic process needed !
 - + detection of Cyg X-1, GRS 1915+105, MAXI J1820+070.
- Large scale jets from microquasars as efficient cosmic accelerator up or even beyond the so called « knee » of the CR spectrum.



Alfaro et al. 2024 (HAWK cola.)

LHAASO Collaboration, subm



LHAASO Collaboration, subm.

TAKE-AWAY MESSAGES

- Black hole (all ?, but not only NS too) X-ray binaries produce transient relativistic jets.
- MeerKAT, following Chandra and radio, has revealed the omnipresence of large-scale jets.
- X-ray markers of the relativistic ejection(s) ? Not there completely yet.
- **Powerful jets** based on calorimetry with ISM ? Probing feedback on environment?
- First relativistic jets detected from an outbursting black hole candidate XRB in a globular cluster.
- Key role of MAXI (as well as Swift/BAT) for detected those new transients.
- Large scale jets as efficient **cosmic accelerators** ? **Cosmic PeVatron** ?

