

# Wave propagation in force-free magnetosphere of a rotating black hole

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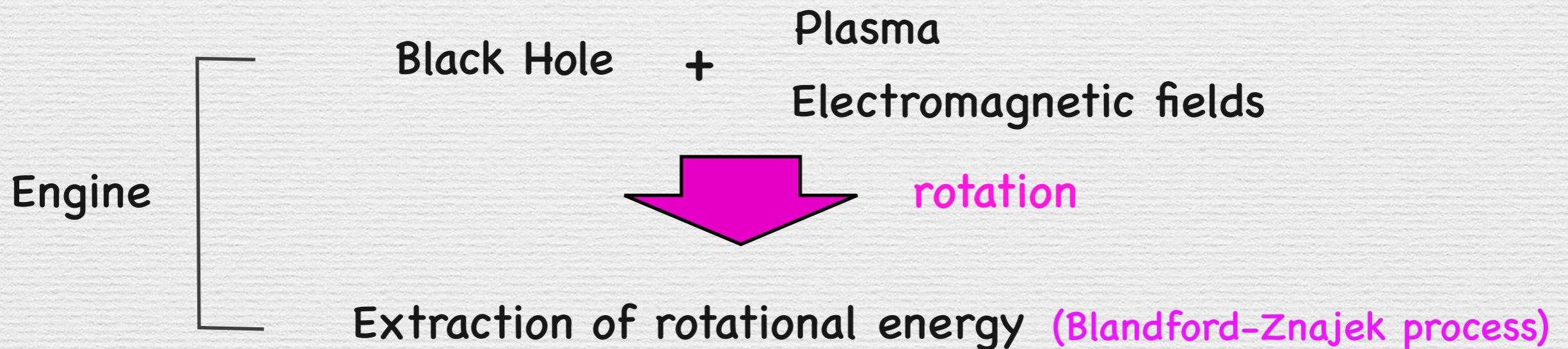
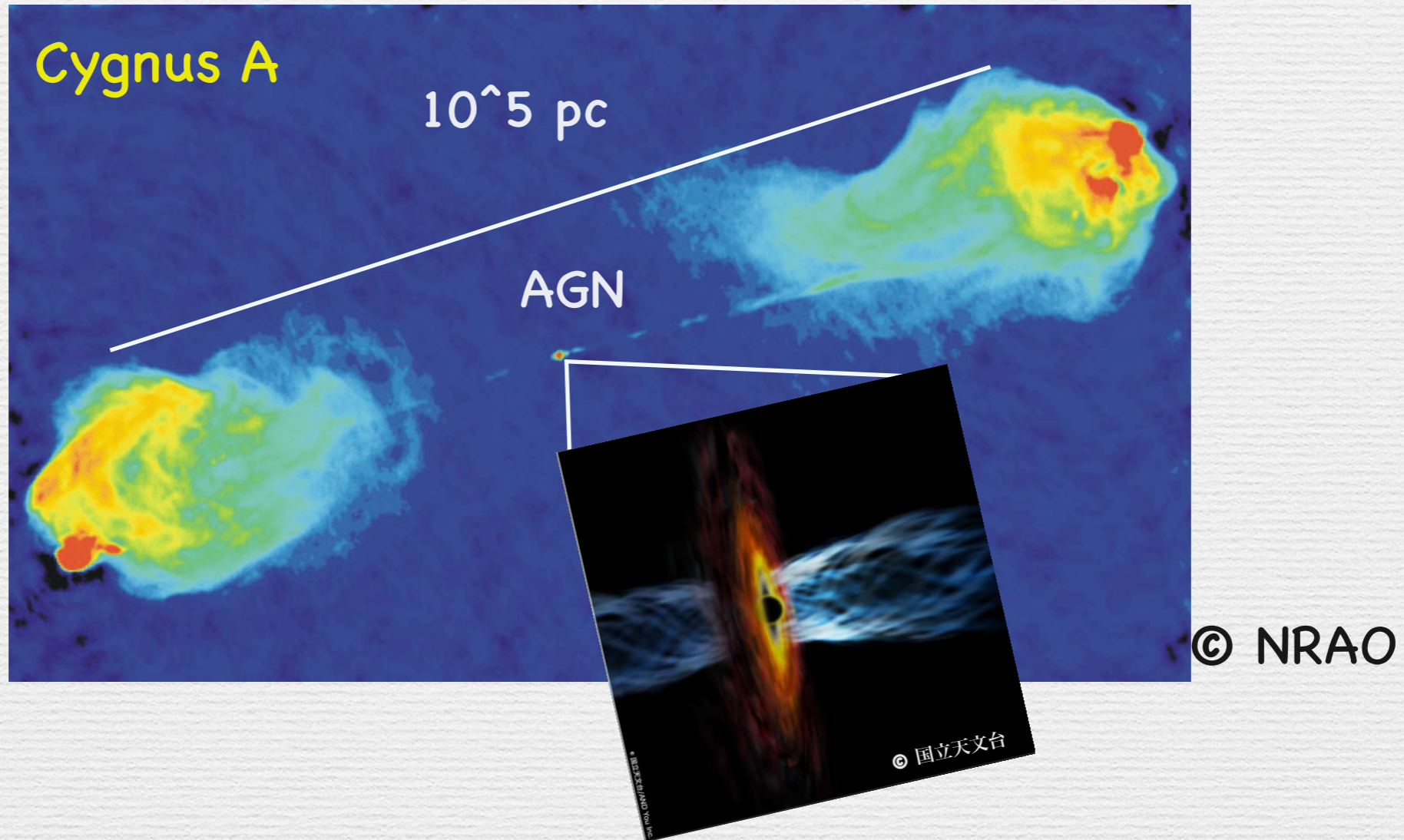
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# Motivation



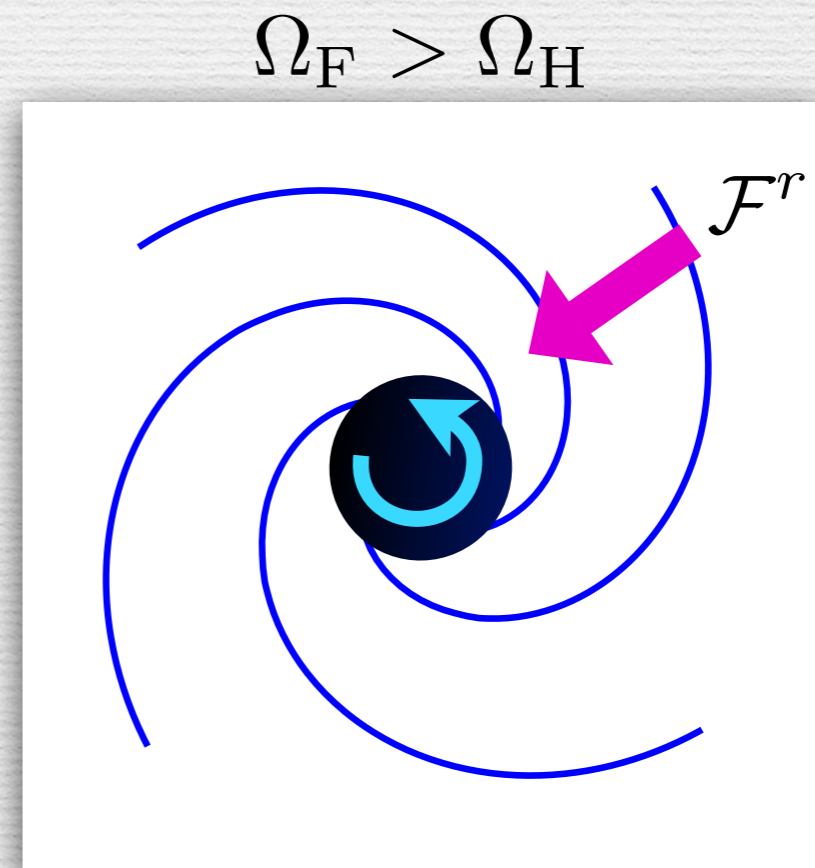
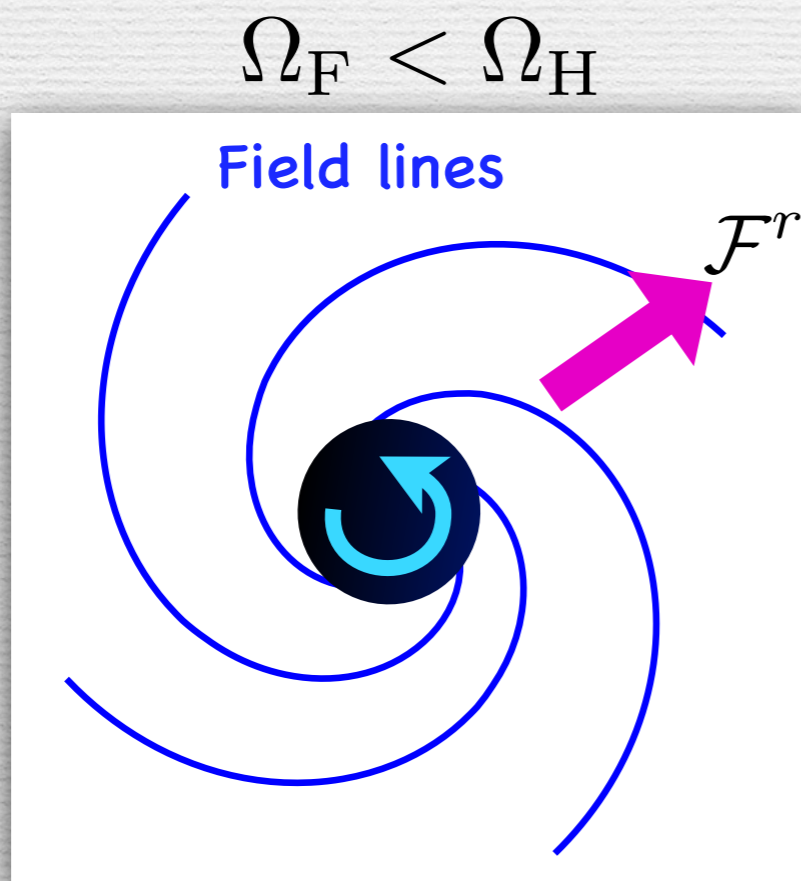
Blandford & Znajek (1977)

# Blandford-Znajek process

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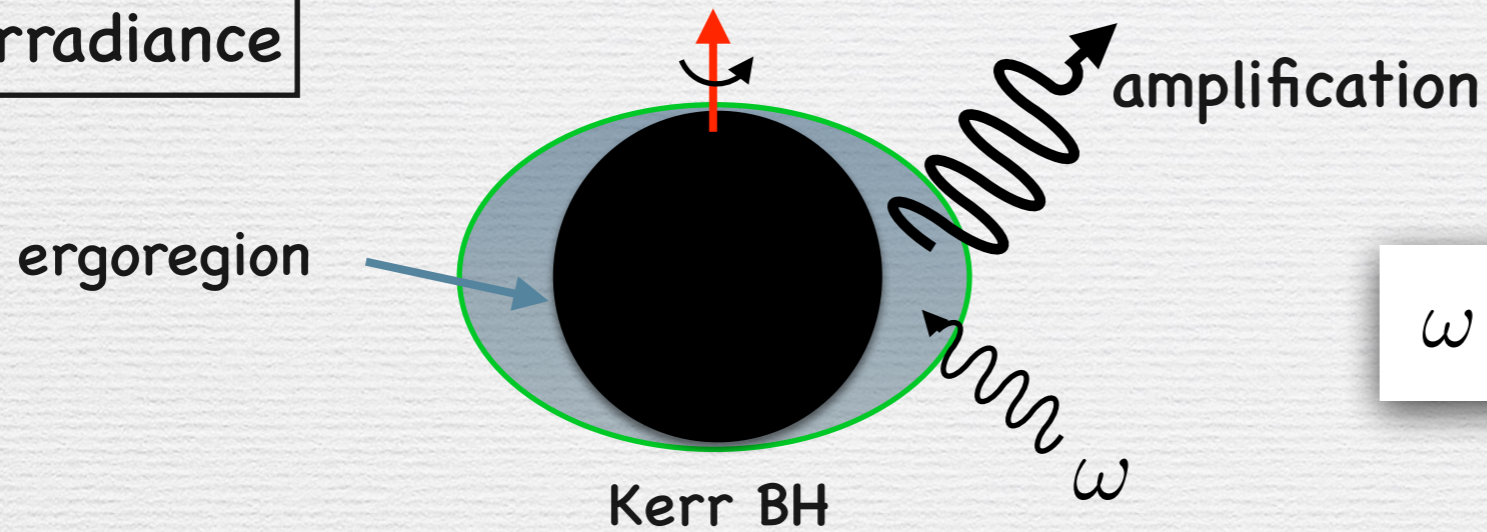
- Kerr metric , Stationary and axisymmetric magnetosphere
- **Force-Free** EM field (Magnetically dominated)
- Energy extraction by electromagnetic fields
- Rotational energy is transported as Poynting flux

$$\mathcal{F}^r \propto \Omega_F (\Omega_H - \Omega_F)$$



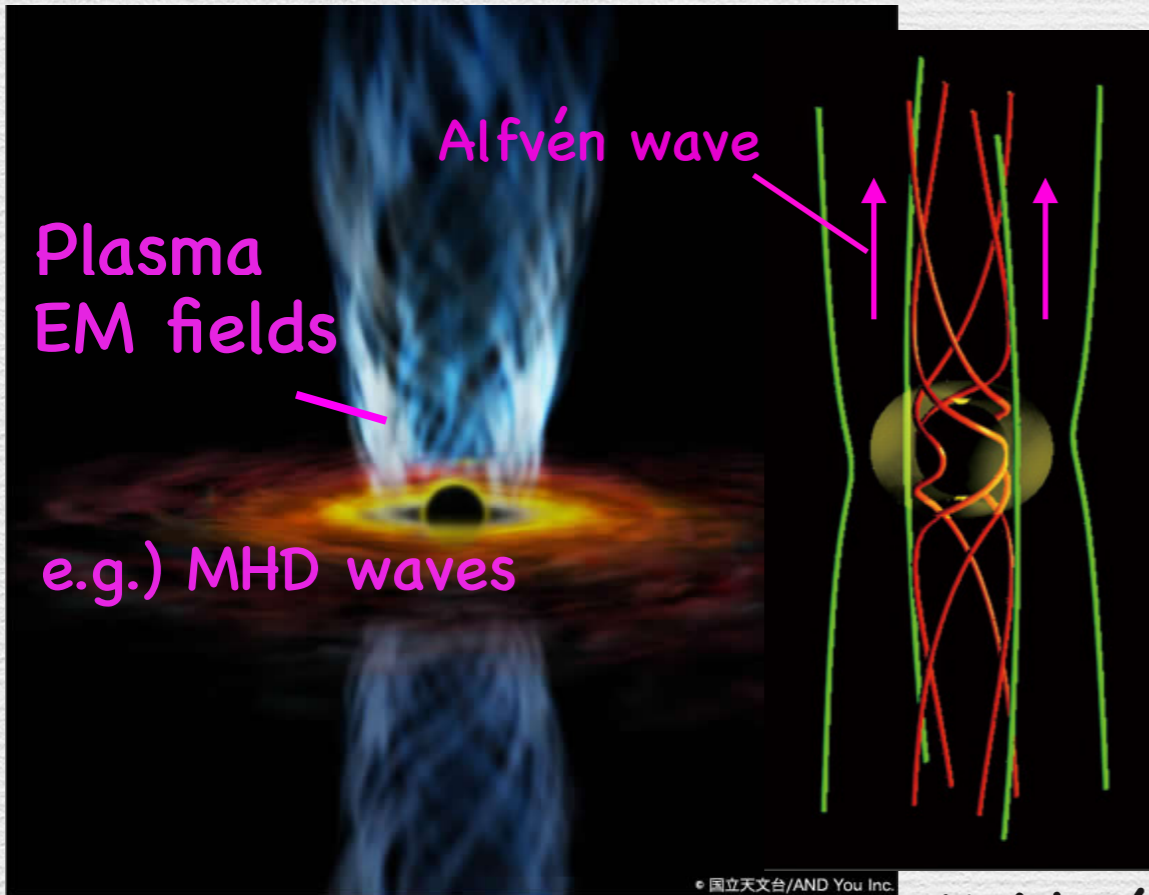
# Energy Extraction by Waves

## Superradiance



$$\omega < m\Omega_H \quad m = 1, 2, \dots$$

## Waves in magnetosphere



BZ process

= energy extraction by background field

Does superradiance for waves

in magnetosphere contribute to the jet ?

Koide (2003)

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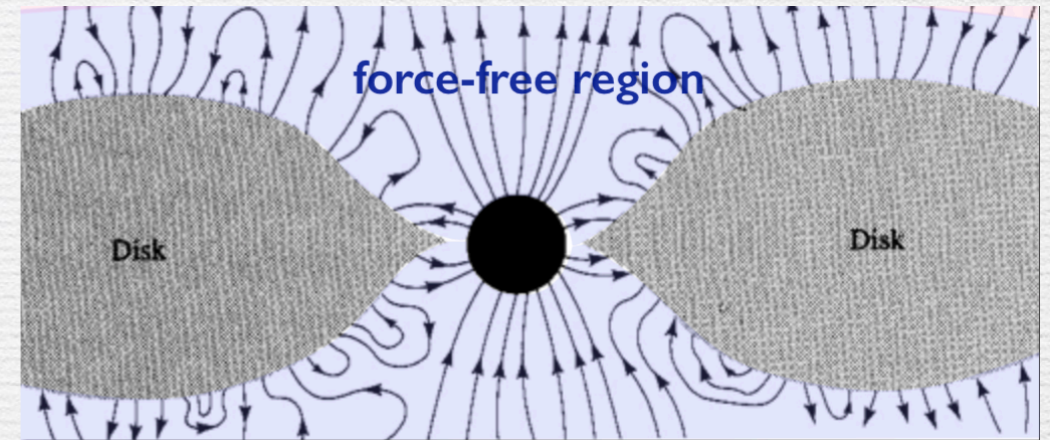
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# Force-free electromagnetic field

Maxwell eq.

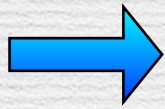
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$$F = d\phi_1 \wedge d\phi_2$$

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Carter (1979)

Uchida (1997)

Gralla & Jacobson (2014)

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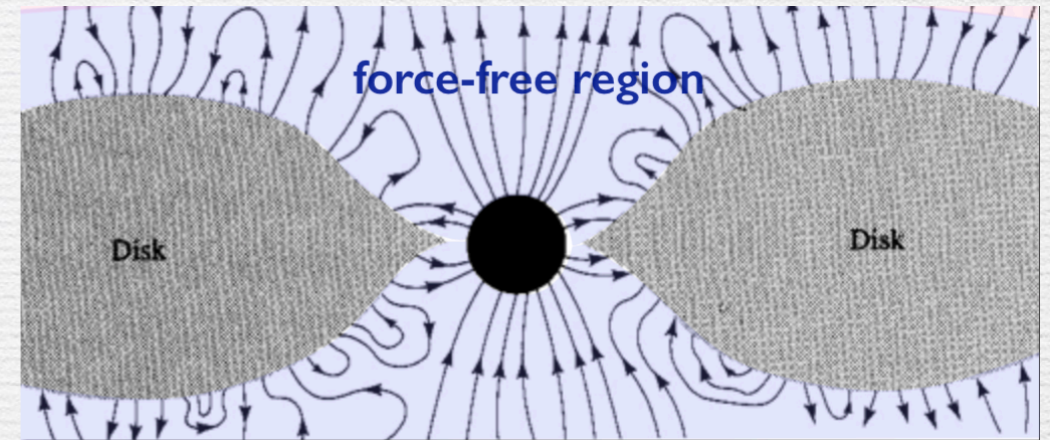
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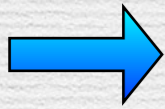
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# Wave propagation in force-free fields

$$\phi_i \rightarrow \phi_i + \delta\phi_i$$

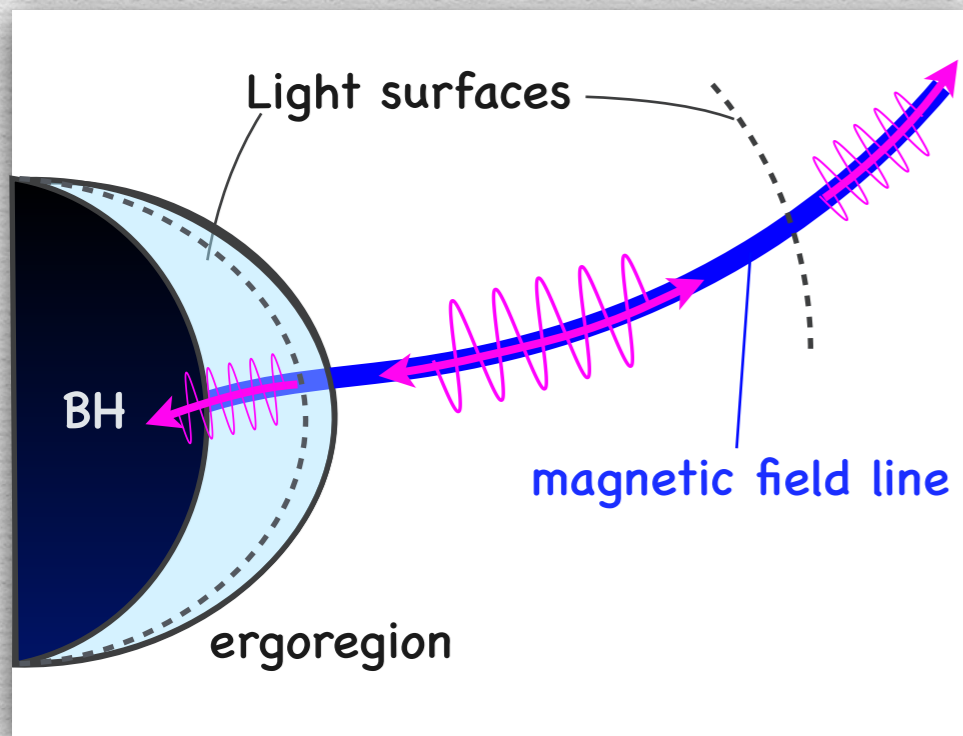
$$\partial_a \delta\phi_1 \partial_b \left[ \sqrt{-g} \partial^{[a} \phi_1 \partial^{b]} \phi_2 \right] + \partial_a \phi_1 \partial_b \left[ \sqrt{-g} \left( \partial^{[a} \delta\phi_1 \partial^{b]} \phi_2 + \partial^{[a} \phi_1 \partial^{b]} \delta\phi_2 \right) \right] = 0$$

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Fast mode ... sound wave like mode (Longitudinal mode)

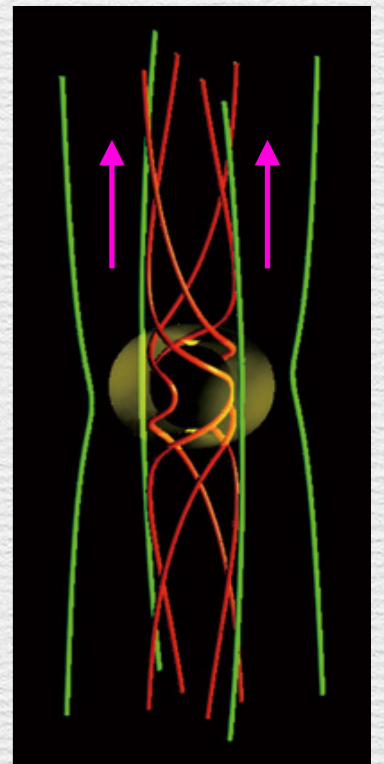
**Alfvén mode**

... propagating along magnetic field lines (Transverse mode)



## Questions

- Superradiance occur for Alfvén wave ?
- Relation to BZ process ?





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# Model – Black cylinder spacetime

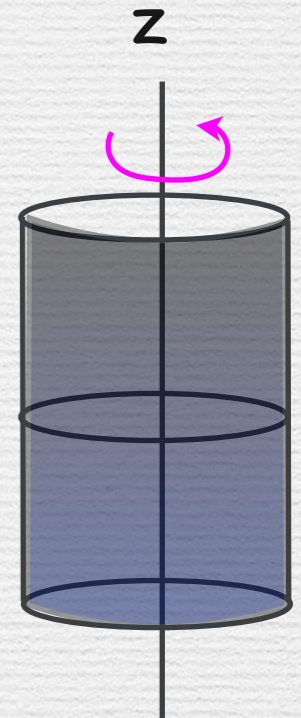
Axisymmetric spacetime

$$ds^2 = -\alpha^2 dt^2 + \frac{dr^2}{\alpha^2} + r^2(d\varphi - \Omega dt)^2 + dz^2$$

BTZ black hole + 1dim

$$\Omega = \frac{r_H r_-}{r^2 \ell}$$

$$\alpha^2 = \frac{(r^2 - r_H^2)(r^2 - r_-^2)}{r^2 \ell^2}$$



Axisymmetric force-free field and BZ mechanism Jacobson & Rodriguez (arXiv 1709.10090)

$$\phi_1 = z$$

$$\phi_2 = C \int \frac{dr}{r\alpha^2} + \varphi - \Omega_F t$$

$$C = r_H(\Omega_H - \Omega_F)$$

$\Omega_F$  : angular velocity  
of the magnetic field lines

$C$  : const. determined by  
a regularity condition at horizon  
(Znajek condition)

Light surfaces (corotating vector = null)

$$\xi_F^\mu = (1, 0, 0, \Omega_F) \quad , \quad \Gamma \equiv -g_{\mu\nu} \xi_F^\mu \xi_F^\nu = 0$$

BZ condition

$$0 < \Omega_F < \Omega_H$$

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# Alfvén wave propagation and superradiance

## Alfvén wave equation

$$\partial_a \phi_1 \partial_b \left( \sqrt{-g} \partial^{[a} \phi_1 \partial^{b]} \delta \phi \right) = 0$$

$$\delta \phi = e^{-1/(2r^2)} \psi(r) e^{-i\omega t_*} e^{im\varphi_*}$$

$$dt_* = dt + \frac{Cr}{\Gamma} (g^{t\varphi} - \Omega_F g^{tt}) dr, \quad d\varphi_* = d\varphi + \frac{Cr}{\Gamma} (g^{\varphi\varphi} - \Omega_F g^{t\varphi}) dr$$

## Radial equation

$$\frac{d^2 \psi}{dr_*^2} + (\omega^2 - V_{\text{eff}}) \psi = 0$$

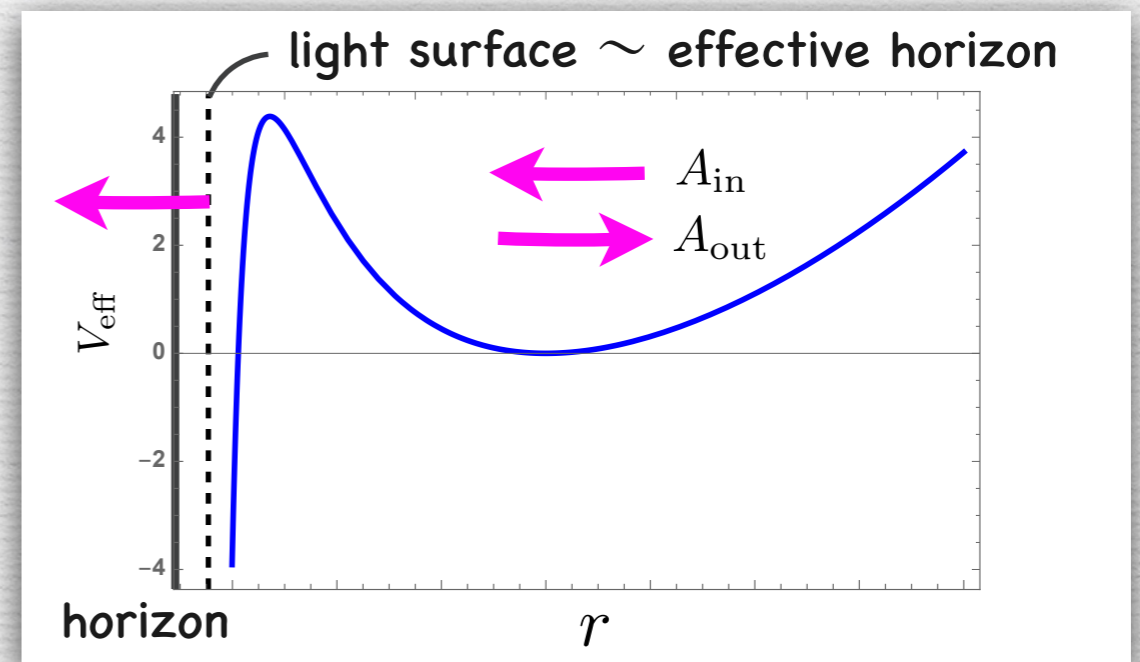
$$\frac{dr_*}{dr} = \frac{1}{\Gamma} \quad \text{tortoise coordinate}$$

## Conservation of the Wronskian

$$W = \psi' \bar{\psi} - \psi \bar{\psi}' = \text{const}$$

$$\left| \frac{A_{\text{out}}}{A_{\text{in}}} \right|^2 = 1 - \mathcal{P}(\Omega_H - \Omega_F)(\omega - m\Omega_F)$$

reflection rate



## Superradiant condition

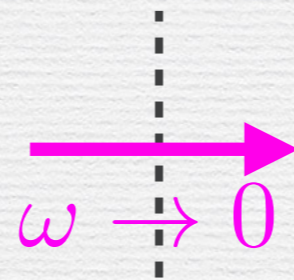
$$(\Omega_H - \Omega_F)(\omega - m\Omega_F) < 0$$

# Superradiance & Blandford-Znajek

Alfvén wave

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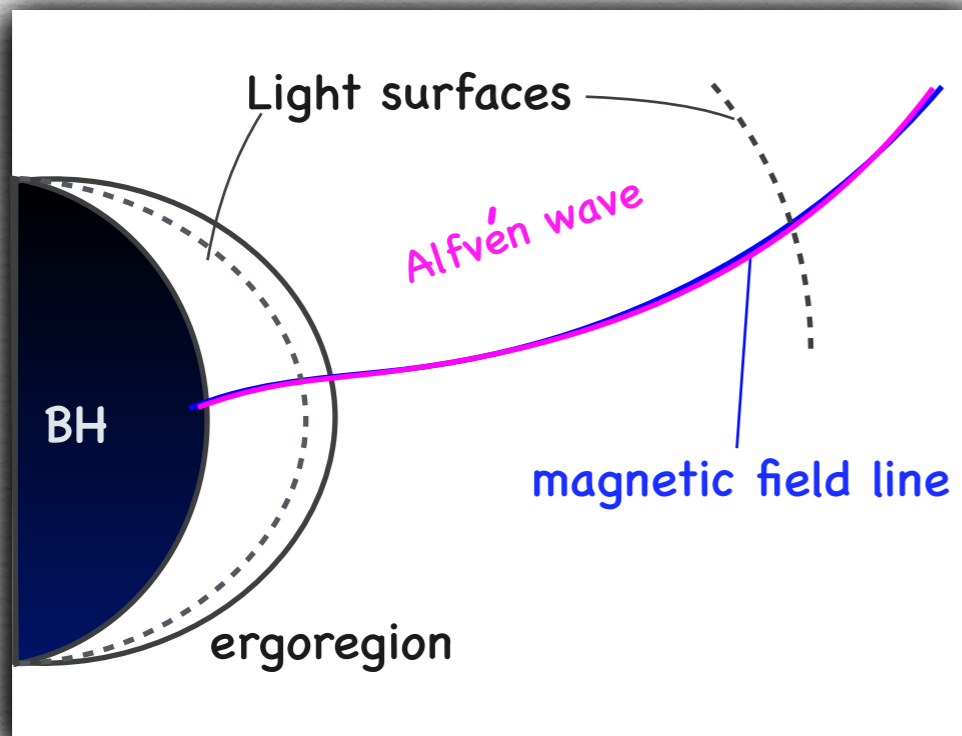
Reflection rate of Alfvén wave



Blandford-Znajek process

$$\mathcal{F}^r \propto \Omega_F(\Omega_H - \Omega_F) > 0$$

Poynting flux (Background field)



Besides Blandford-Znajek mechanism, Alfvén wave can also extract the rotational energy of a rotating BH (superradiance) as long as the wave length is finite,

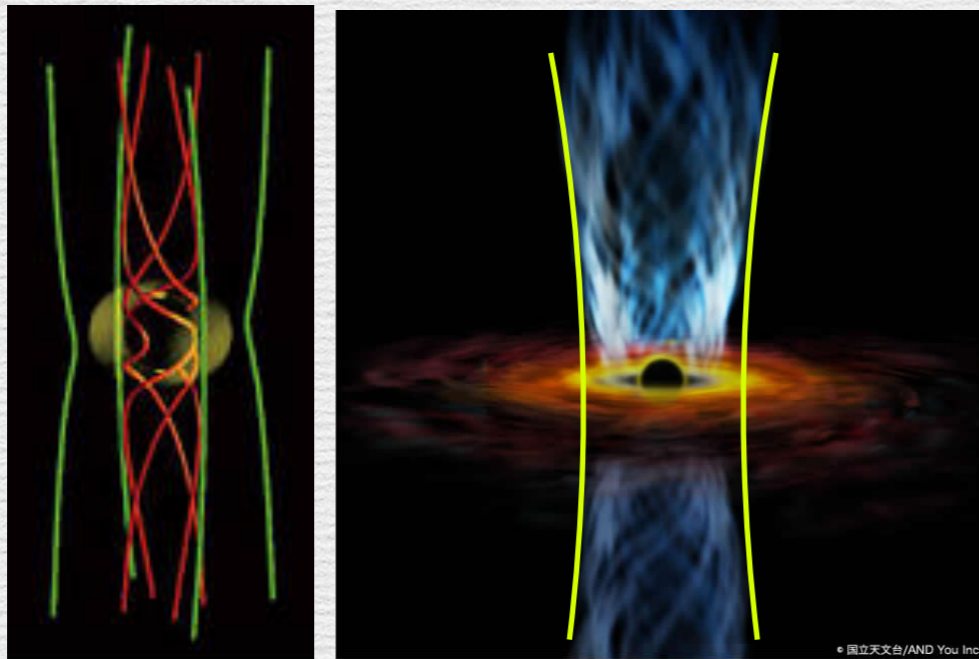
# Summary

- Wave propagation in axisymmetric force-free EM field
- Alfvén wave can extract the rotational energy
- Long wavelength limit of Alfvén wave  $\rightarrow$  BZ process

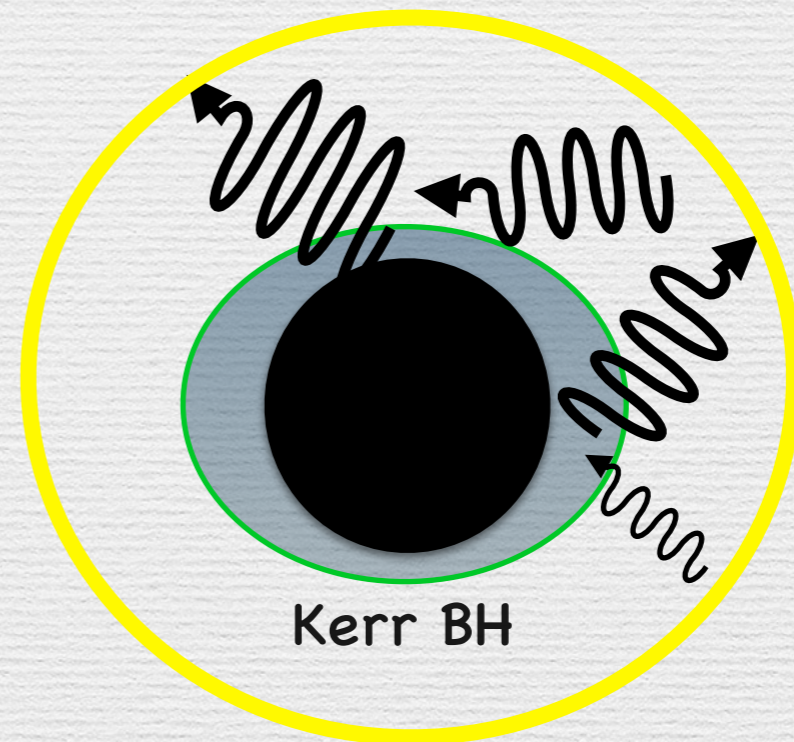
What's next?

More realistic situation  
(Kerr BH case)

Superradiant instability?  
( Black Hole Bomb )



Koide (2003)



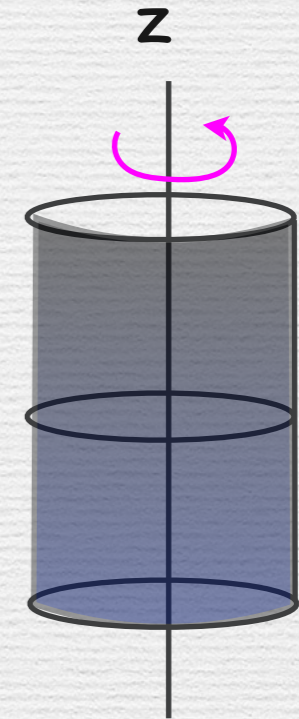
Backup



# Fast wave in black cylinder

$$\square \delta\phi_{\text{fast}} = 0 \quad \delta\phi_{\text{fast}} = \frac{\psi(r)}{r} e^{-i\omega t} e^{im\phi}$$

$$\frac{d^2\psi}{dr_*^2} + (\omega^2 - V_{\text{eff}})\psi = 0$$



Same as the scalar perturbation to this spacetime

→ **Superradiance**

$$\omega < m\Omega_H \quad m = 1, 2, \dots$$