the stellar progenitors of long-duration gamma ray bursts



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a brief overview of the collapsar model for IGRBs

(stripped) stellar envelope

gravitational iron collapse core

a stripped massive star ends its life



its core collapses to form a BH

its rotating envelope accretes onto the newly born BH





potentially forming an MRI-driven accretion disk





which may launch an outflow enriched with the products of *r*-process nucleosynthesis









& power a relativistic jet through the BZ mechanism





to be observed as an IGRB...



this jet has to tunnel through the star



end-to-end simulations of collapsars are challenging

- scale separation: must resolve ~6 orders of magnitude in combined spatial+temporal ranges
- need relativity and MHD to self-consistently launch a jet
- intrinsically 3D problem (rotation, instabilities)
- to predict nucleosynthetic properties, also need tabulated **EoS**, **neutrino** transport, and **tracer particles**
- poorly constrained initial conditions for stellar progenitors





$0.5 \le \alpha \le 1.5$ $10^{49} - 10^{52}$

 $\alpha \gtrsim 2$

which physical conditions are consistent with observations?



(naïve) light curve evolution?





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evolve each model with GR1D: relativistic hydro in 1.5D with M1 neutrino transport and a tabulated EoS















Halevi et. al. (2022)













initialize 3D GRMHD simulation, in H-AMR, of a rotating stellar envelope with a central BH

use my core-collapsed stellar model to motivate initial conditions



(Halevi+ 2023 in prep.)



magnetization σ









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density evolution



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end-to-end simulations of collapsars are within reach

- scale separation is tractable with GPUs and AMR
- we can self-consistently launch jets in **3D GRMHD**
- an M1 neutrino transport scheme has recently been developed we can soon perform detailed nucleosynthesis calculations
- we can better constrain **initial conditions** for stellar progenitors
- magnetic field configurations? rotation profiles?