







X-ray reverberation in AGN: towards an extended corona

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KYNXILREV model

- X-ray reverberation mapping of the inner parts of the accretion disc → clues to the geometry of the corona.
- NEW: Use of density table models from Garcia+16.
- Reverberation mapping in the lamp-post geometry of the compact corona → ionisation profile of the disc (Chainakun+16; Dovčiak+17).
- Light rays: Fully relativistic ray-tracing code in vacuum for photon paths from the corona to the disc and to the observer & from the disc to the observer.
- Goal: understanding the lags versus frequency/energy → model parameters: height of the corona, inclination of the observer, disc ionization profile and black hole spin.



The sketch of the lamp-post geometry. (Credits: Dovčiak+14)

 $A T H E N A \rightarrow Huge effective area @1keV !!!!!$

Mapping black holes near the event horizon







Chainakun & Young (2017)







Wilkins et al. (2016)

Taylor & Reynolds (2018)



Artist's impression illustrating a supermassive black hole with X-ray emission emanating from its inner region (pink) and ultra-fast winds streaming from the surrounding disk (purple). Credit: ESA

- IRAS 13224-3809 is a radio-quiet and X-ray bright $(4x10^{-12} \text{ ergs} \text{ s}^{-1}\text{ cm}^{-2}$ in the 0.3 – 10.0 keV band) NLSy1.
- Distance of D = 295 Mpc.
- Probably the most variable source (known so far) both in UV and Xray wavebands.
 - **It has been observed with XMM-***Newton* during 2x10⁶ s (PI: Fabian).
- We have analyzed (time-lag and energy spectra) all the *XMM-Newton* data but separating it in low-flux (LF), medium-flux (MF) and high-flux (HF) levels.



The EPIC pn+MOS, 1-4 keV band light curve, binned in 2 ks. Time is measured in seconds since the start of the 2002 observations. The solid, dashed and dot-dashed horizontal lines indicate the count rate limits of the "HF", "MF" and "LF" intervals (Caballero-Garcia et al. 2019b).



The HF, MF, and LF time-lags spectra (top panel) and the respective coherence functions (bottom panel). The solid black, dashed blue and dot-dashed red vertical lines in the bottom panel indicate the highest frequency up to which we can estimate the HF, MF and LF time-lags, respectively. From Caballero-Garcia et al. (2019b).



The (0.3-1 versus 1-4 keV) X-ray soft time-lag versus frequency spectra of IRAS 13224-3809 in the LF, MF and HF states (black, brown and red, respectively). From Caballero-Garcia et al. (2019b).



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a (GM/c)	0.99 ^(f)	0.0 ^(f)	
	IRAS 13224-3809 ($M_8 = 0.02^{(f,c)}, \Gamma = 2.0^{(f)}$)		
	LF state		
θ_0 (deg.)	45 (f)	45(f)	
$h(\mathbf{r}_{g})$	9.08 ± 1.0	6.0±2.1	
Density (10 ¹⁵ cm ⁻³)	1.0±0.8	1.1±4.0	
Α	$(7.7\pm1.7)\times10^{-4}$	$(6.8\pm1.7)\times10^{-4}$	
8	1.4 (f)	1.4(f)	
χ^2/ν	0.49 (4/8)	0.35 (3/8)	
p-value	0.86	0.95	
	MF state		
θ_0 (deg.)	_	_	
$h(r_g)$	8.6±1.0	7.0±2.0	
Density (10 ¹⁵ cm ⁻³)	1.0±0.3)	1.6±2.4	
Α	$(7.5\pm1.7)\times10^{-4}$	$(7.2\pm1.7)\times10^{-4}$	
8	1.4 (f)	1.4(f)	
χ^2/ν	0.49 (4/8)	0.22 (2/8)	
p-value	0.87	0.99	
	HF state		
θ_0 (deg.)	_	_	
$h(\mathbf{r}_{g})$	18.0±2.2	16.5±2.3	
Density $(10^{15} \text{ cm}^{-3})$	1.0±0.5	1.0±0.4	
Α	$(6.5\pm2.3)\times10^{-4}$	$(5.7\pm2.3)\times10^{-4}$	
S	1.4 (f)	1.4 (f)	
χ^2/ν	1.25 (10/8)	1.2(10/8)	
p-value	0.27	0.29	

Best-fit parameters using the model KYNXILREV when we fit data with spin fixed to rapid and zero (left and right column, respectively). Primary isotropic flux in the (2-10 keV) X-ray energy range in units of L is fixed to L(2-10 *KeV*)= 0.001, 0.002, 0.007 (L_{Edd}) and photon index of Γ =1.5, 2.0, 2.5 for the LF, MF and HF states, respectively. From Caballero-Garcia et al. (2019b).



The 2-blob corona from Chainakun & Young (2017) in reality can be understood as the base of the jet that is moving up-wards from LH to HF state. The lower blob is what makes the reverberation at high frequencies (response of the inner parts of the disc) and the high blob is what produces reverberation at low frequencies (response of outer parts of the disc).

Black Hole Binaries (BHBs)



Schematic of our simplified model for the jet-disc coupling in <u>black hole binaries</u>. (Fender, Belloni & Gallo, 2004).

The BHB *MAXI J1820+070*





Evolution of the geometry of the corona of the BHB MAXI J1820+070 during a bright low-hard state (Kara+19, Nature).

Conclusions

- First lamp-post reverberation model taking into account all known physical aspects is ready for use into XSPEC (Dovčiak+19, in prep.).
- The (last) KYNXILREV code includes thermal reverberation from the accretion disc and new XILVER tables (Garcia+16).
- KYNXILREV is very well suited for obtaining the mass M_{BH} and height h of the lamp-post corona.
- KYNXILREV is probably <u>well suited for obtaining also the spin of the BH</u>.
 But further (observational modelling) with "much better" time-lag vs. freq. data need to be obtained (up to higher frequencies).
- The lamp-post is the first approximation. <u>Very likely a blob-like corona moving</u> <u>upwards as the luminosity increases is the right description (Alston+19,</u> <u>submitted, including MCG)</u>.
- More (high-sensitive, longer and continuous) X-ray observations (Athena) are needed to confirm the proposed scenario.

Future telescope Athena (ESA)



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