A glass of whisky is shown on the left side of the image. The background is a light grey color with a repeating pattern of binary code (0s and 1s) in a light grey font. The text is written in a black, hand-drawn, brush-stroke style. The words "General Relativistic" and "Resistive MHD" are on the top line, "with" is on the second line, and "whisky" is on the third line in a larger font.

General Relativistic Resistive MHD with whisky

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Outline

Analytical and numerical setup:

- GR-Resistive MHD (with ideal MHD and Electrovacuum limits)
- Stiff terms and RKIMEX evolution schemes

Tests:

- Shock Tubes, Alfven Waves, Current Sheets (1D)

Numerical Evolution of Stars:

- Stable star with magnetic field extending outside the star
- Unstable star with magnetic field extending outside the star - gravitational collapse to a black hole

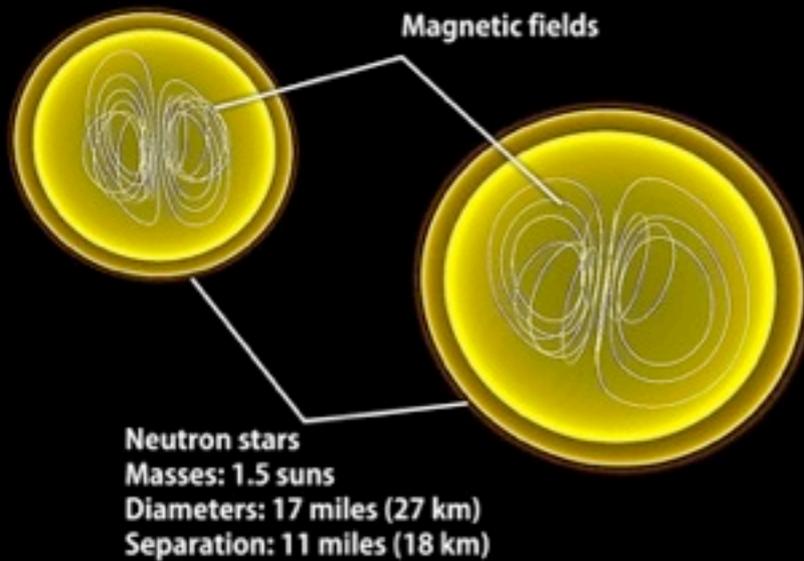
Motivation

GR-RMHD provides a single mathematical framework which can accurately describe the interior of a star, the magnetosphere and vacuum regions.

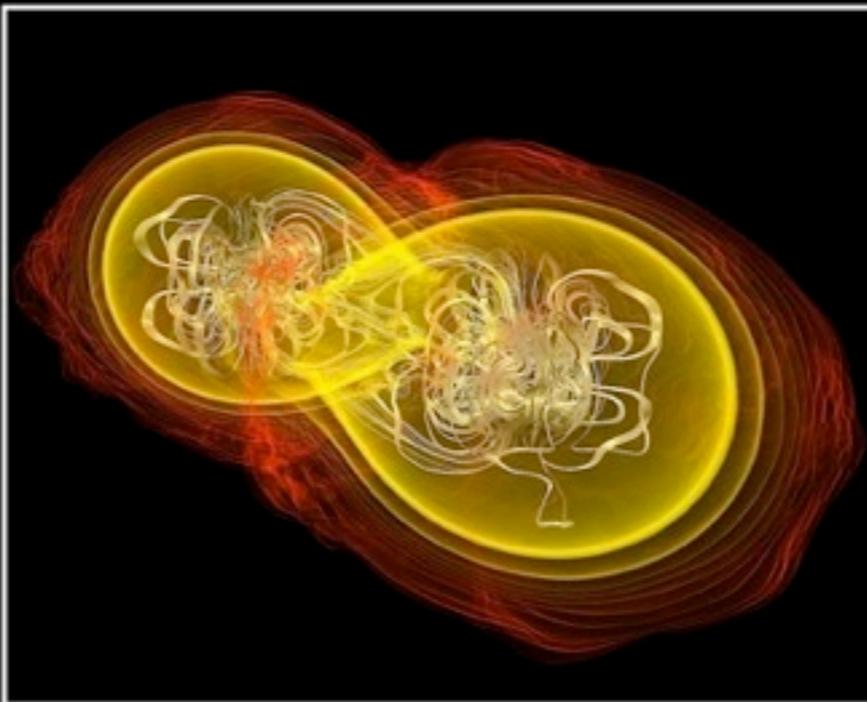
It allows resistive effects (like reconnection of the magnetic field lines) and offers some control over the amount of resistivity in the system.

The GR-RMHD system is hyperbolic with stiff relaxation terms, as the diffusive effects take place on different time-scales than the dynamical ones.

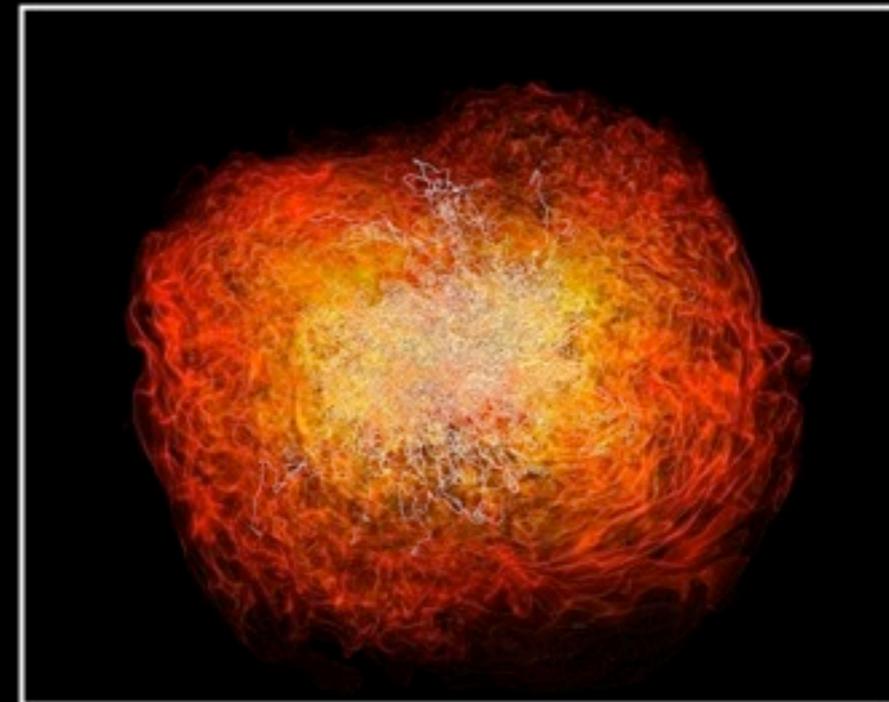
Crashing neutron stars can make gamma-ray burst jets



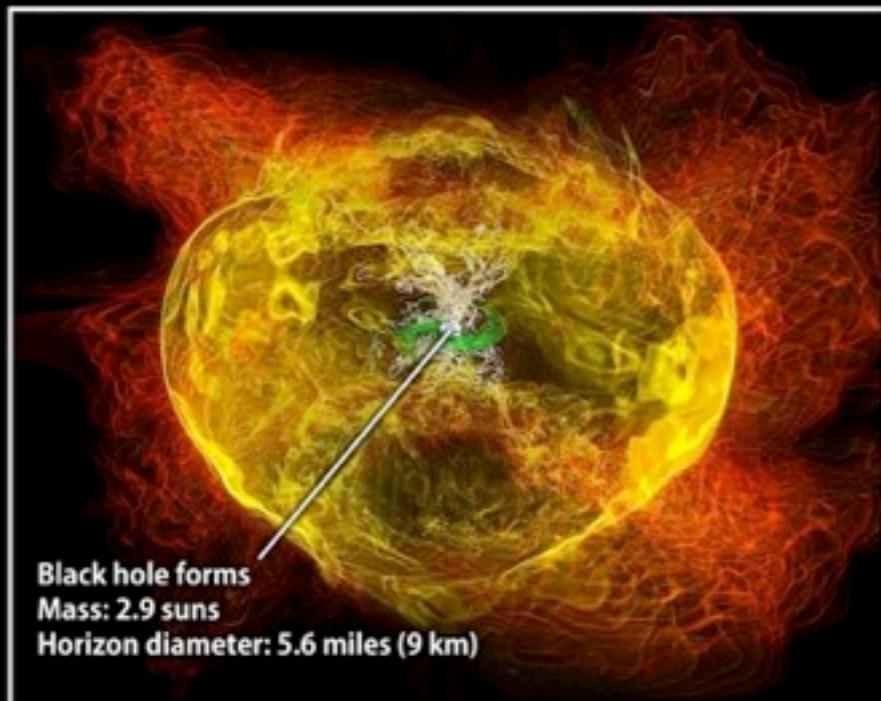
Simulation begins



7.4 milliseconds



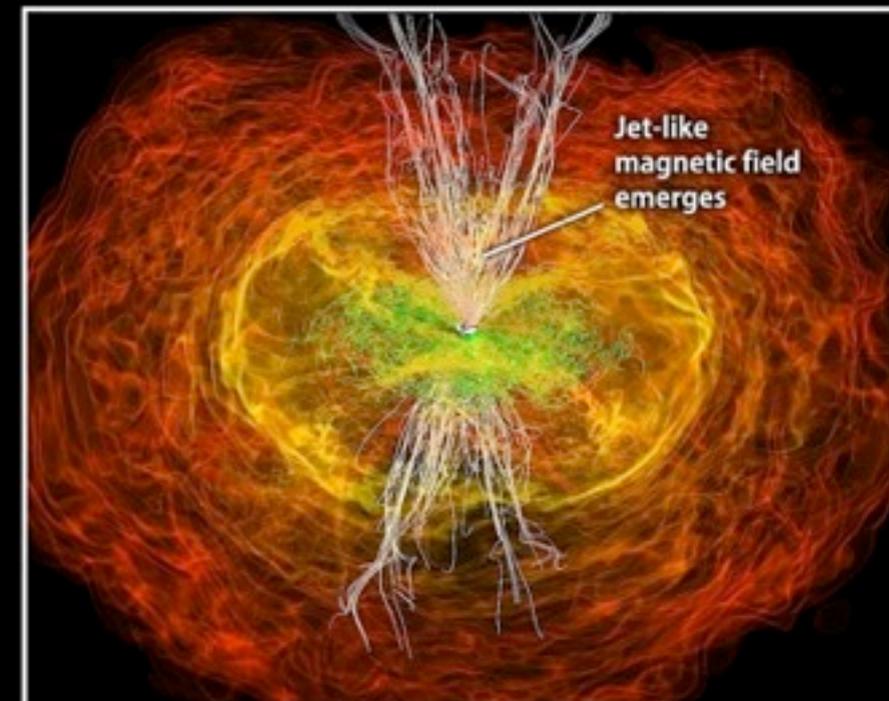
13.8 milliseconds



15.3 milliseconds



21.2 milliseconds



26.5 milliseconds

Credit: NASA/AEI/ZIB/M. Koppitz and L. Rezzolla

$$J/M^2 = 0.83$$

$$M_{\text{tor}} = 0.063 M_{\odot}$$

$$t_{\text{accr}} \simeq M_{\text{tor}} / \dot{M} \simeq 0.3 \text{ s}$$

The Resistive MHD formalism

Maxwell equations: B^i, E^i

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Divergence cleaning: ϕ, ψ

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{D}_t \Psi + \alpha \nabla_i E^i &= \alpha q - \alpha \kappa \Psi \\ \mathcal{D}_t \Phi + \alpha \nabla_i B^i &= -\alpha \kappa \Phi\end{aligned}$$

Charge Density: $q = \nabla_i E^i$

$$\mathcal{D}_t q + \nabla_i (\alpha J^i) = \alpha K q$$

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The Resistive MHD formalism

$$J^i = qv^i + W\sigma[E^i + \epsilon^{ijk}v_j B_k - (v_k E^k)v^i] + \dots$$

Resistive regime: low σ

Require that the current is finite when $\sigma \rightarrow \infty$

Ideal MHD limit: $E^i = -\epsilon^{ijk}v_j B_k$

Electrovacuum limit: $q \rightarrow 0, \sigma \rightarrow 0$

The conductivity σ can lead to a **stiff term** in the evolution equation of electric field.

RK IMEX Methods

(Pareschi & Russo 2005)

$$\partial_t \mathbf{W} = F_W(\mathbf{V}, \mathbf{W})$$

$$\mathbf{W} \rightarrow \{D, S, \tau, q, B, \psi, \phi\}$$

$$\partial_t \mathbf{V} = F_V(\mathbf{V}, \mathbf{W}) + \frac{1}{\epsilon(\mathbf{W})} R_V(\mathbf{V}, \mathbf{W})$$

$$\mathbf{V} \rightarrow E, \frac{1}{\epsilon} \rightarrow \sigma$$

1) Explicit step

$$\mathbf{W}^* = \mathbf{W}^n + \Delta t \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \tilde{a}_{ij} F_W(\mathbf{U}^{(j)})$$

$$\mathbf{V}^* = \mathbf{V}^n + \Delta t \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \tilde{a}_{ij} F_V(\mathbf{U}^{(j)}) + \Delta t \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} a_{ij} \frac{1}{\epsilon^{(j)}} R_V(\mathbf{U}^{(j)})$$

2) Implicit step

$$\mathbf{V}^{(i)} = \mathbf{V}^* + a_{ii} \frac{\Delta t}{\epsilon^{(i)}} R_V(\mathbf{V}^{(i)}, \mathbf{W}^{(i)})$$

$$\mathbf{W}^{(i)} = \mathbf{W}^*$$

a) Assuming linear dependence

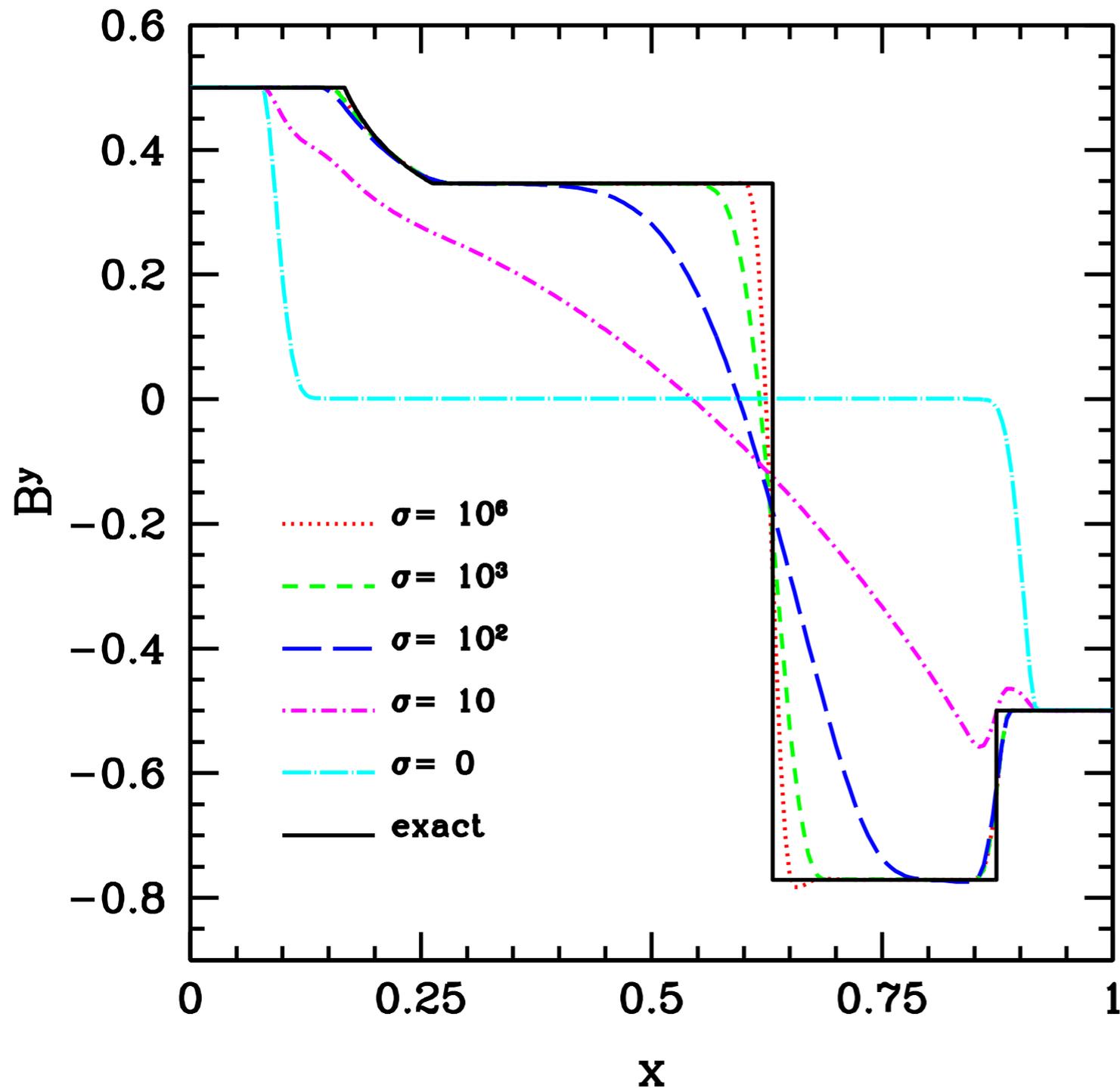
$$R_V(\mathbf{V}, \mathbf{W}) = A(\mathbf{W})\mathbf{V} + S(\mathbf{W})$$

b) We simply invert

$$\mathbf{V}^{(i)} = [I - a_{ii} \frac{\Delta t}{\epsilon^{(i)}} A(\mathbf{W}^*)]^{-1} (\mathbf{V}^* + a_{ii} \frac{\Delta t}{\epsilon^{(i)}} S(\mathbf{W}^*))$$
$$\mathbf{W}^{(i)} = \mathbf{W}^*$$

Results

Test 1D: Shock-tube



$\sigma \rightarrow 0, 10, 10^2, 10^3, 10^6$

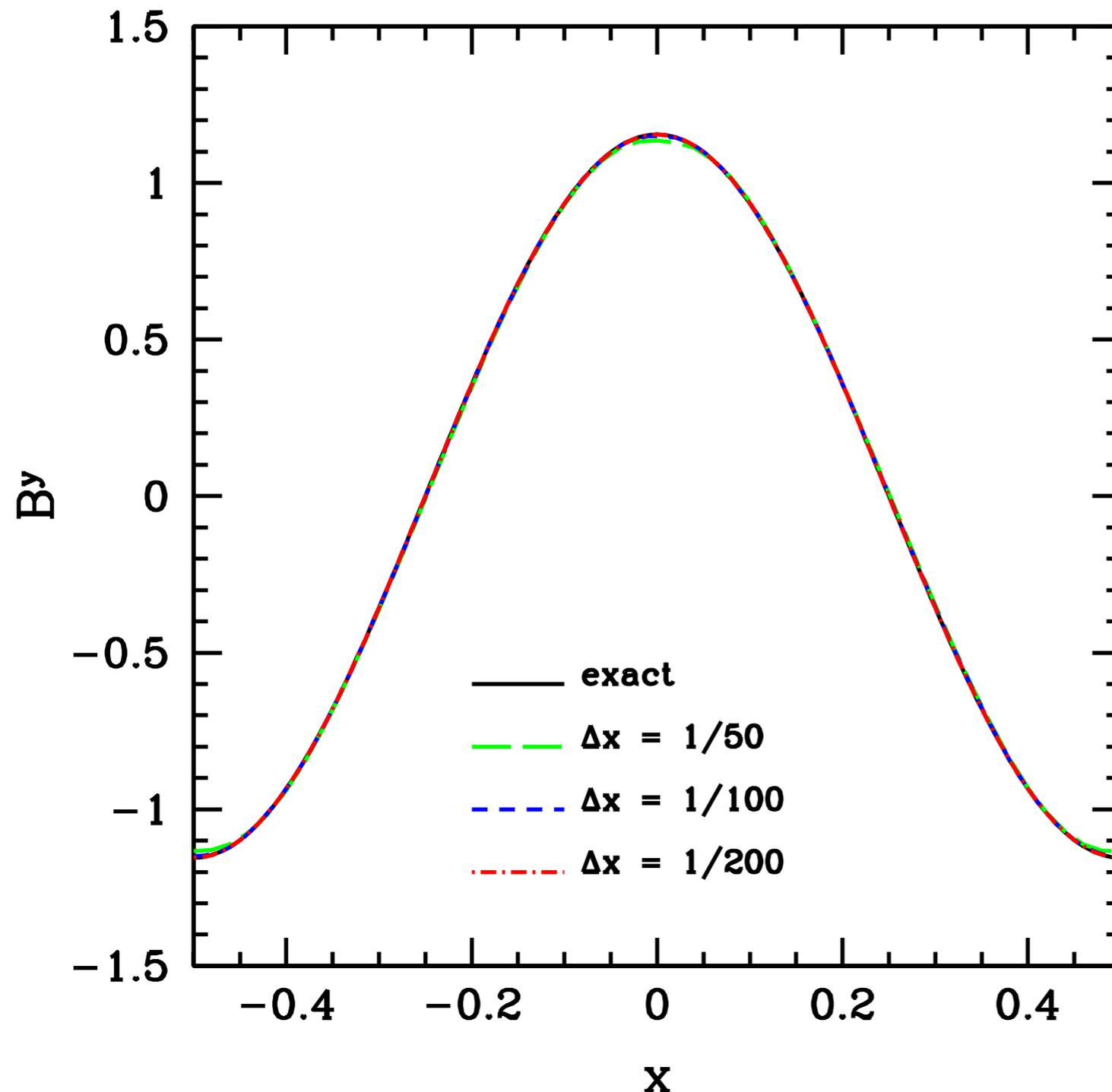
$\sigma \rightarrow 0$

Wave-like solution

$\sigma \rightarrow \infty$

Ideal MHD solution

Large Amplitude Alfven waves

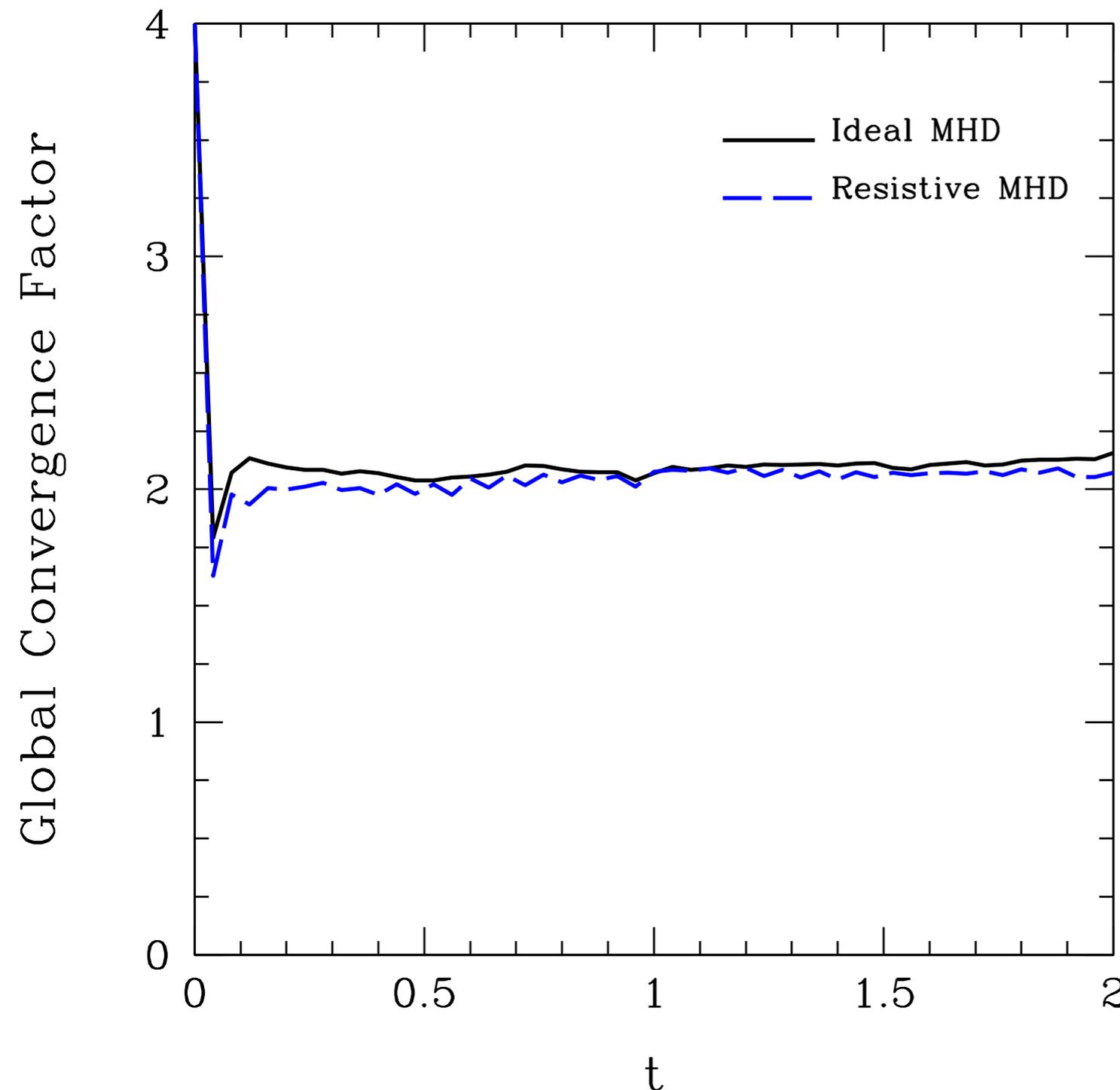


$$\sigma \rightarrow 10^6$$

Propagation of large amplitude Alfven waves in a uniform background field B , in a domain with periodic boundary conditions.

The numerical solution after one full period converges to the exact one.

Large Amplitude Alfven waves

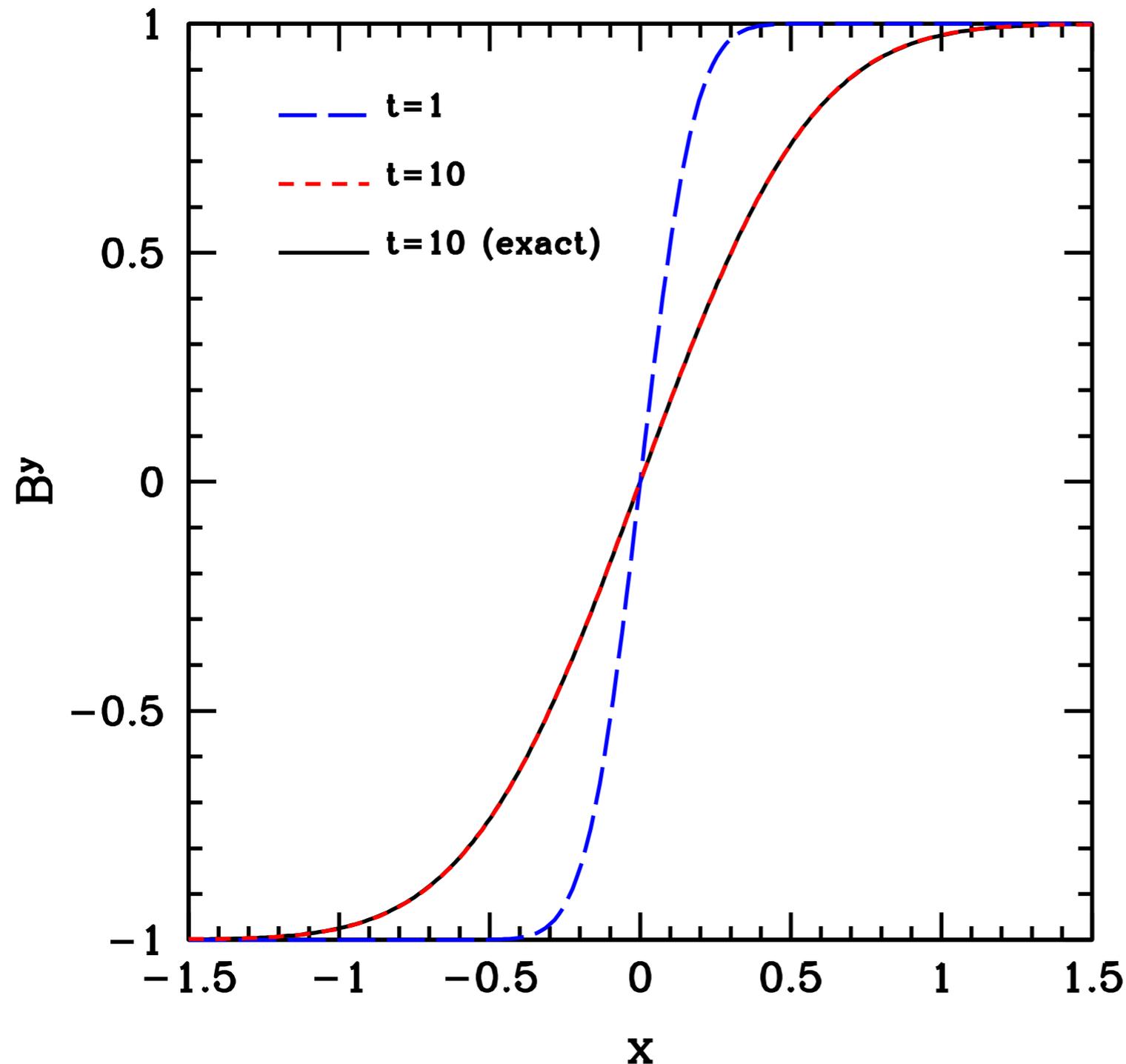


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Test 1D: Self-similar current-sheet



$$\sigma \rightarrow 100$$

Slow diffusive expansion of the layer due to the resistivity. The width of the layer becomes larger and it evolves in a self-similar fashion.

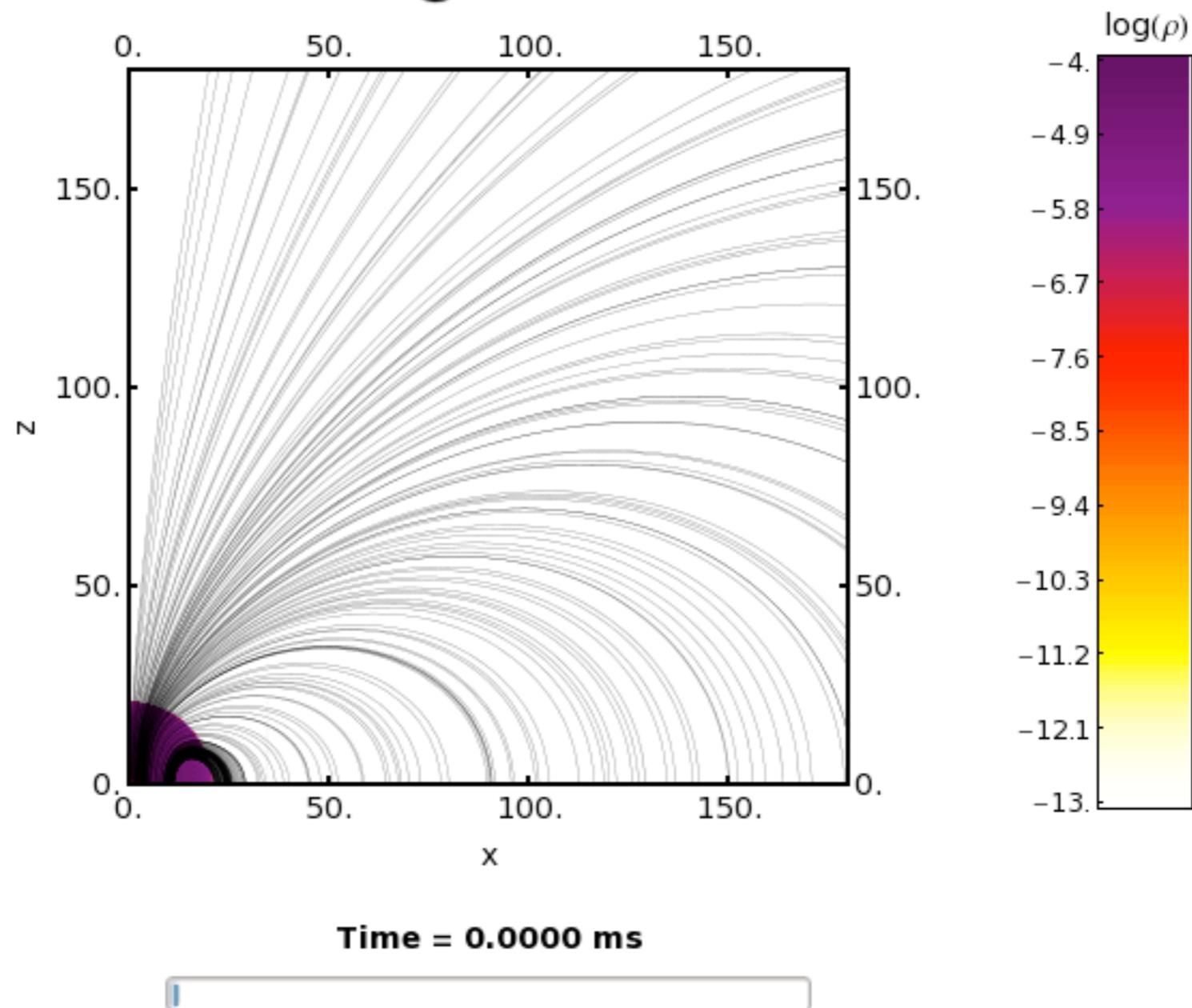
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Numerical Evolution of Stars

Non-rotating Stable Star with Magnetic field extending outside the star

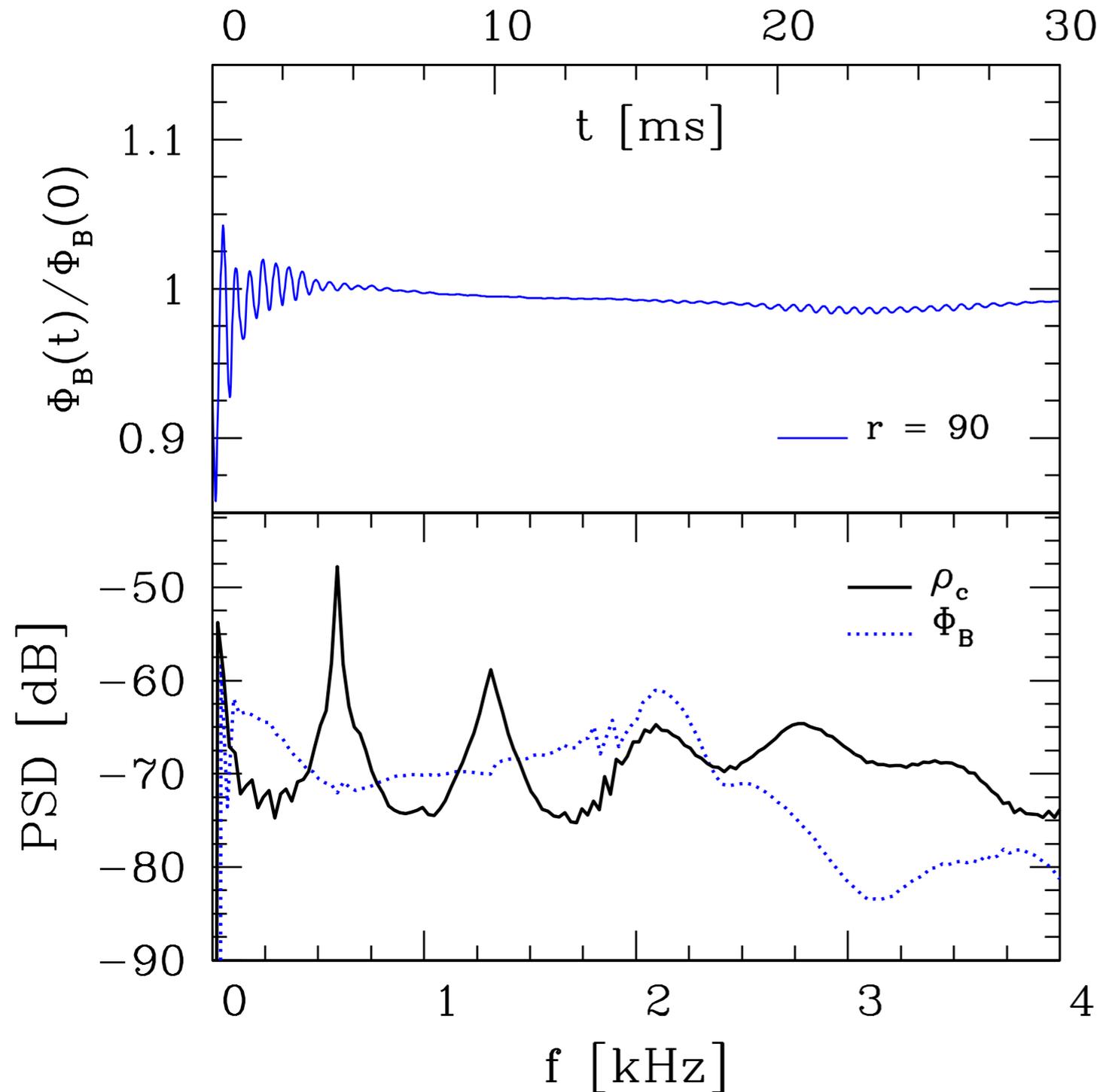
The magnetic field lines and the rest mass density, at times $t = 0$ and $t = 37$ ms. As expected, the magnetic field remains stable after several tens of ms.

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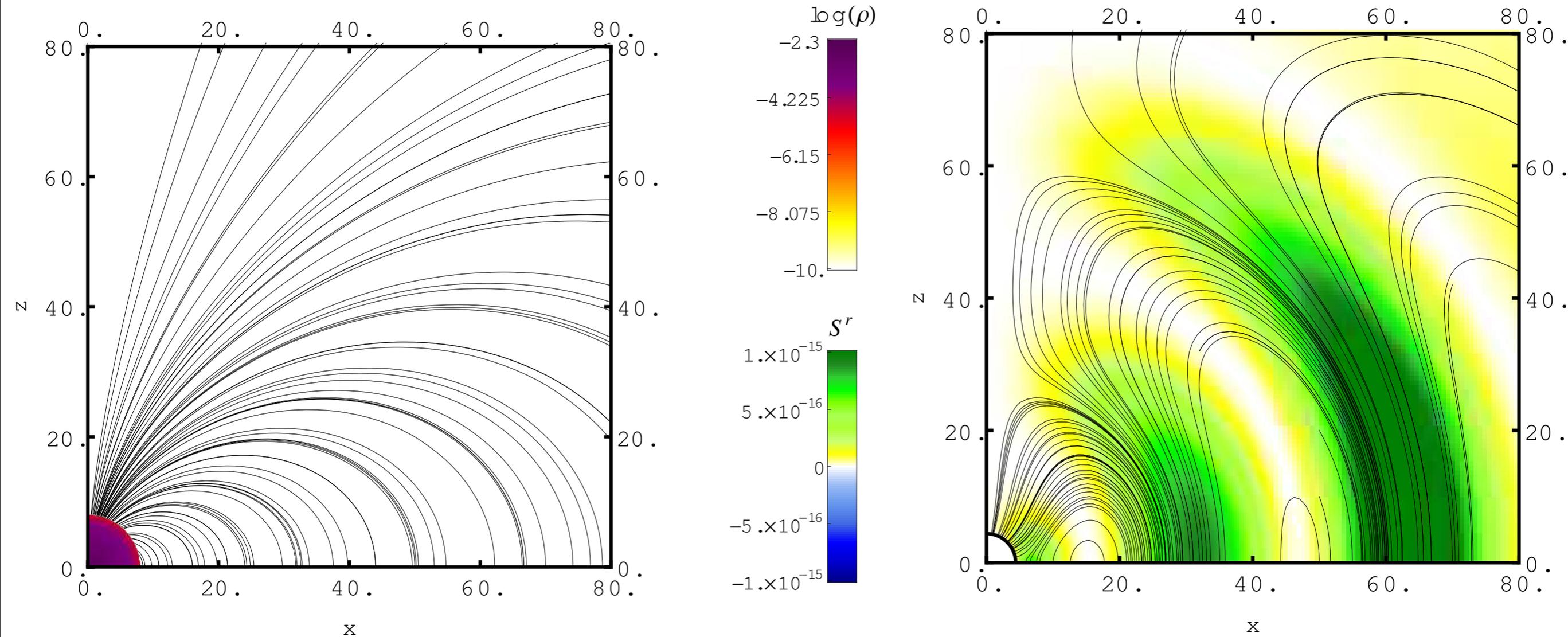
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Non-rotating Stable Star with Magnetic field extending outside the star



The Power Spectral Density of the magnetic flux (computed at $r = 90 M_\odot$) and of the rest mass density.

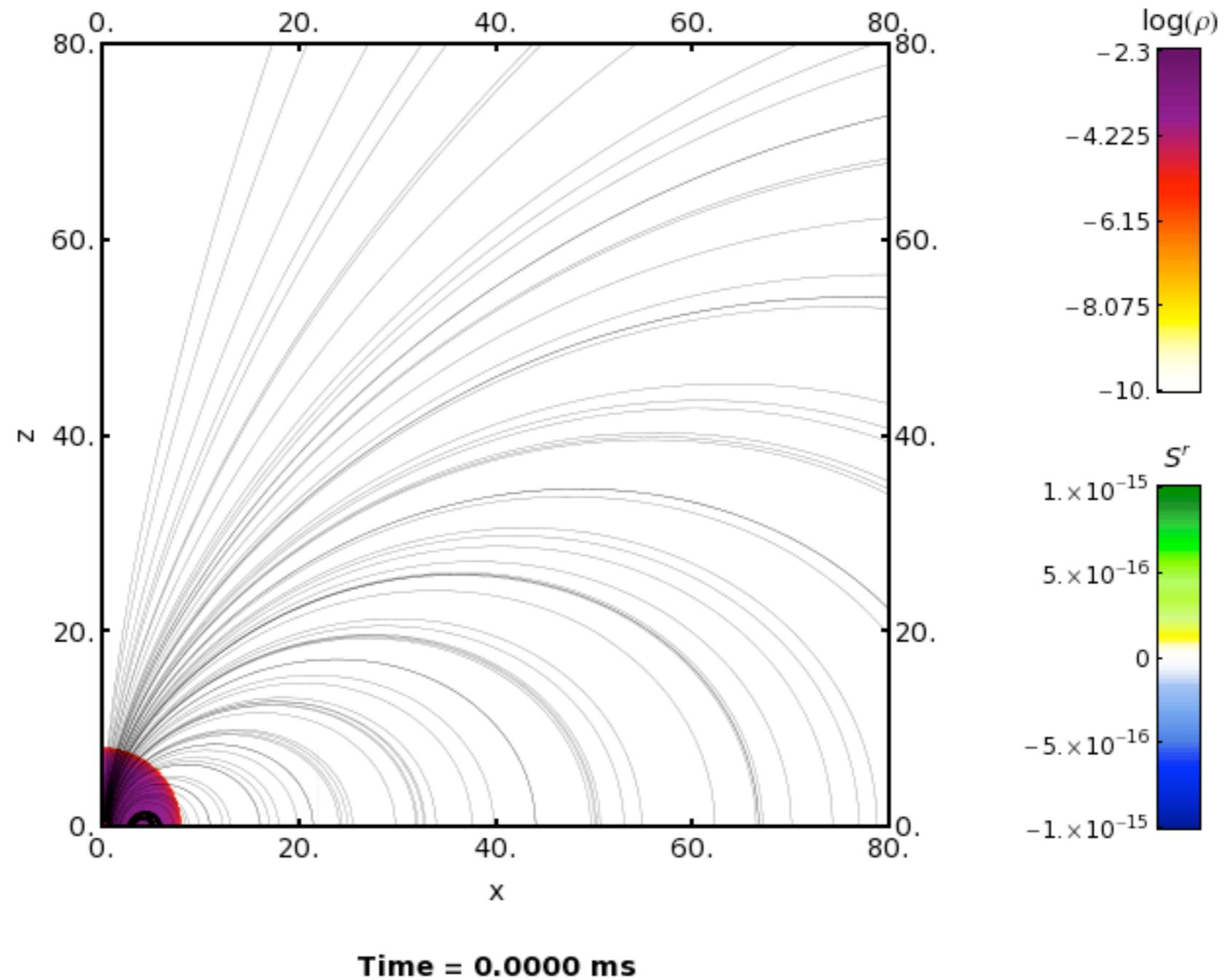
Gravitational Collapse of a Magnetized star



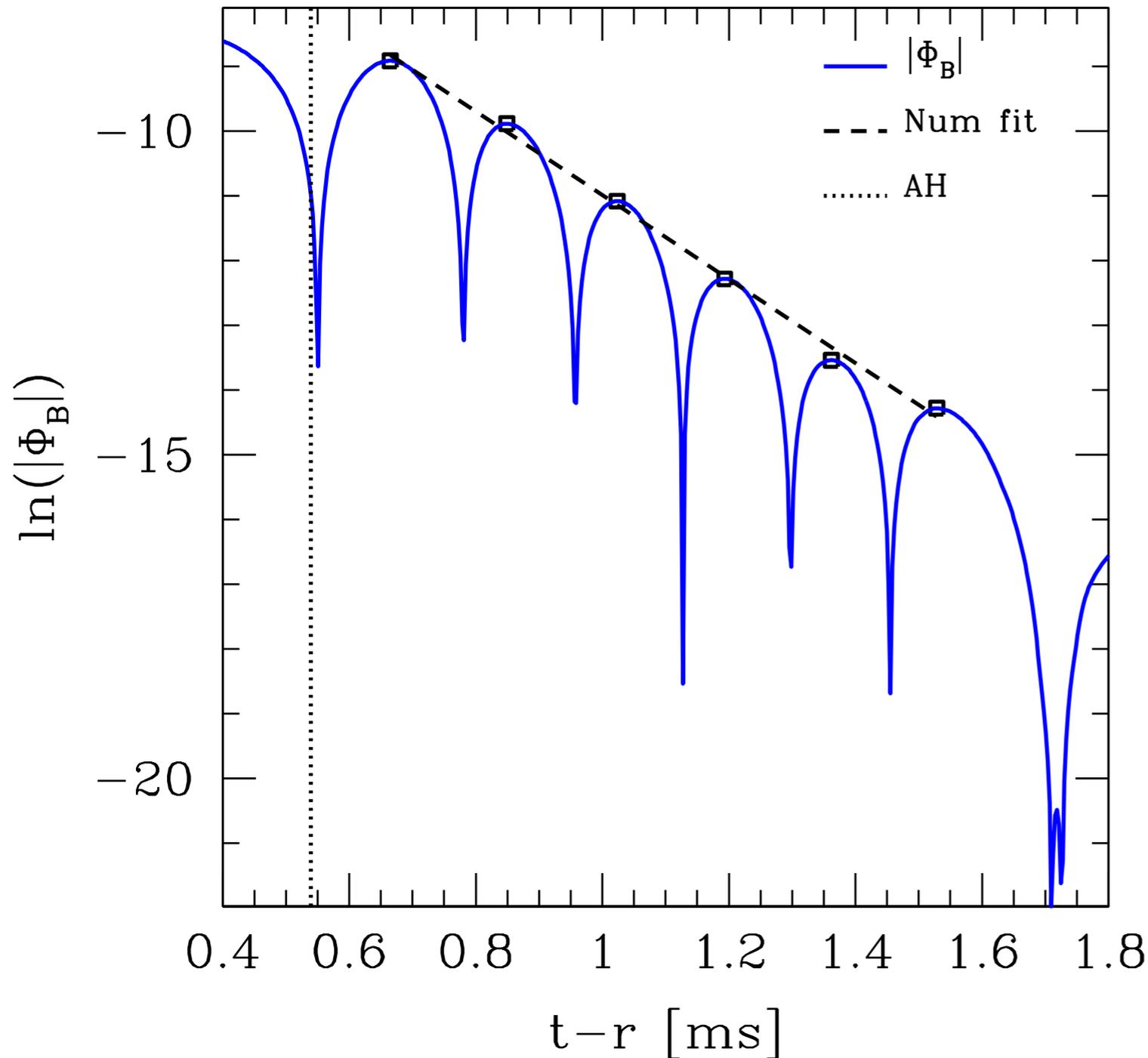
The fluid rest mass density, the radial Poynting vector and the magnetic field lines at times $t = 0$ ms and $t = 1.1$ ms. The perturbed electromagnetic field radiates a part of its energy through electromagnetic waves.

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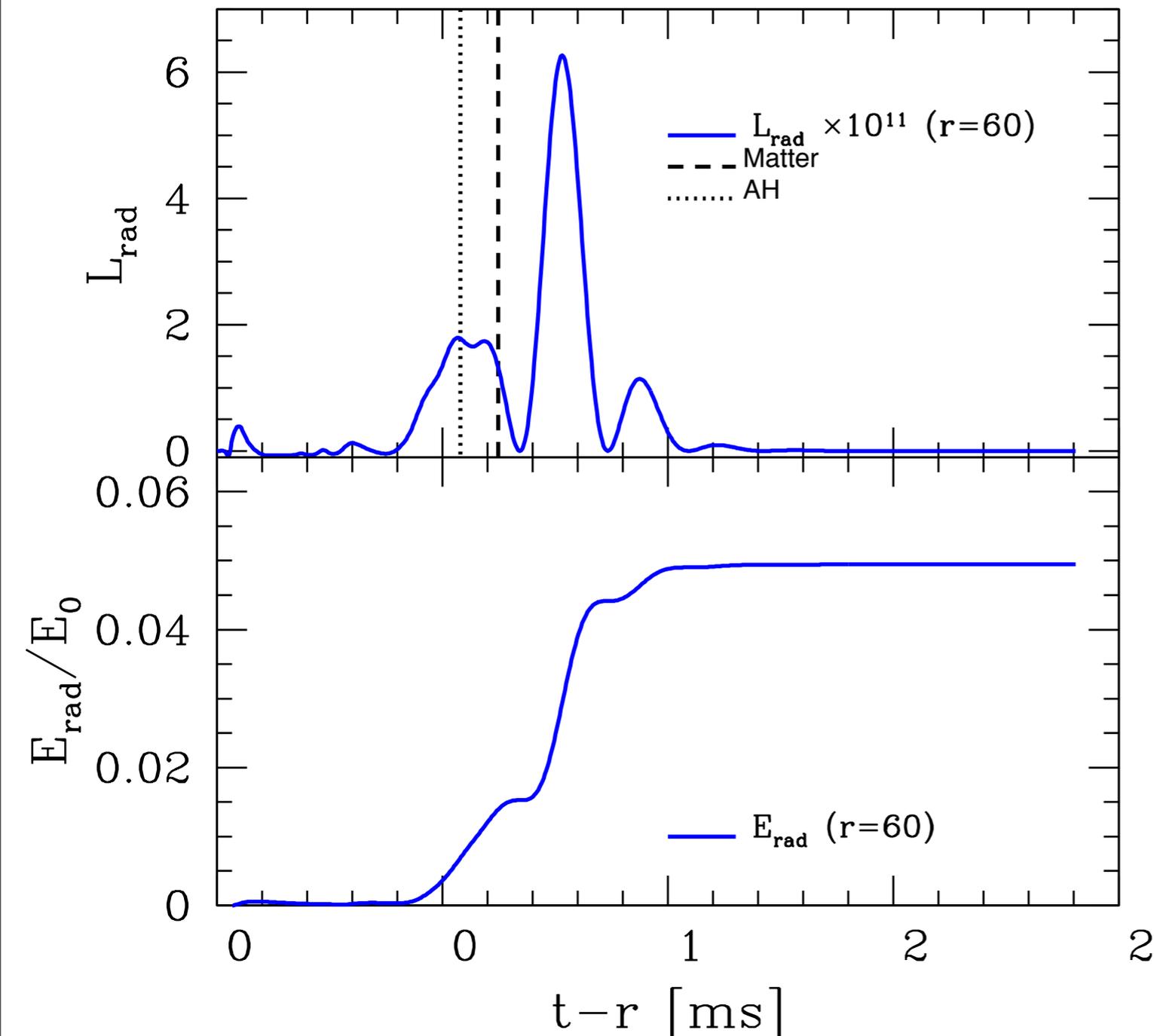


Imprint of the quasi-normal modes of the final perturbed black hole on the magnetic flux. The frequency of the ringing magnetic field is:

$$\omega = 0.343384 (\pm 0.5\%) - i 6.48543 (\pm 5\%) \text{ kHz}$$

corresponding to a non-rotating black hole of $2.7M_{\odot}$.

Gravitational Collapse of a Magnetized star



- The luminosity and radiated energy as a function of time, calculated on a surface at $r = 60 M_{\odot}$.
- The value of the radiated energy is normalized to the initial energy of the magnetosphere, in order to estimate the efficiency of the emission.

Conclusions

- We present an alternative approach to the numerical treatment of the GR-Resistive MHD formalism based on IMEX methods.
- We provide a Cactus+Whisky full 3D GR-RMHD implementation, robust in all regimes of conductivity and able to accurately follow the evolution of regions where shocks occur.
- The accuracy of our code has been verified against exact solutions in 1D tests.
- We can successfully perform evolutions of magnetized stars, using non-constant conductivity profiles in order to capture both the ideal MHD regime (inside the star) and the electro-vacuum regime (in the magnetosphere).

Thank you!