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White dwarf-White dwarf collisions in AGN disk via close encounters

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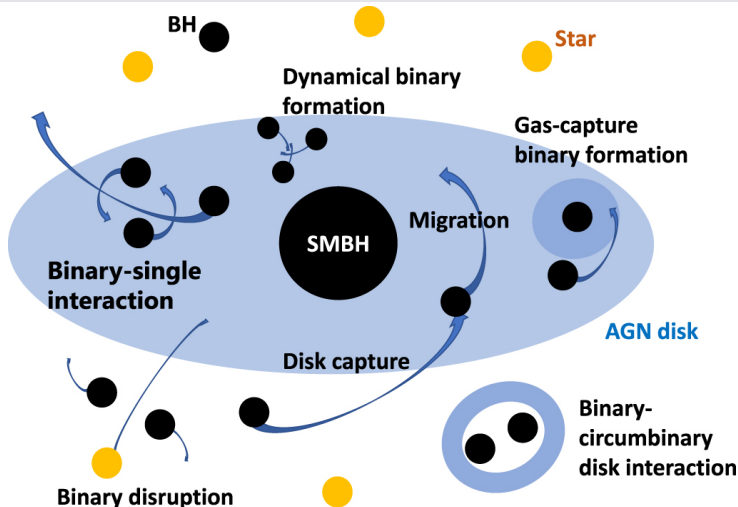
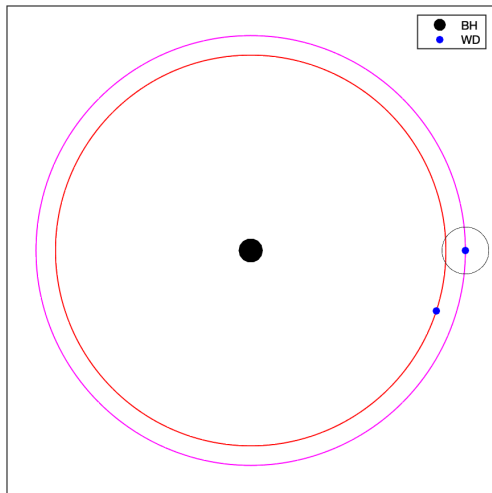


Figure: Compact objects in AGN disks, Tagawa et al. 2020.



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- A large population of WDs in AGNs;
- WDs align into AGN disks;
- WDs migrate in AGN disks and finally form restricted three-body systems;



The orbital separation $p = a_2 - a_1$. If

$$p \leq p_c = 2 \cdot 3^{1/6} \left(\frac{m_1 + m_2}{M} \right)^{1/3} = 2\sqrt{3}R_H, \quad (1)$$

the orbits are unstable and chaotic, leading to close encounters.

- Ejection

$$r_e \sim 2 \frac{G(m_1 + m_2)}{v_{\text{orb}}^2}. \quad (2)$$

- Binary formation via GW emission

$$r_b \equiv 3.48 \left(\frac{m_1 m_2}{(m_1 + m_2)^2} \right)^{2/7} \left(\frac{m_1 + m_2}{M} \right)^{10/21} \left(\frac{GM/c^2}{a_1} \right)^{5/7} R_H. \quad (3)$$

- Collision

$$r_c = r_1 + r_2. \quad (4)$$



Assume $M = 10^6 M_{\odot}$, $m_1 = m_2 = 0.6 M_{\odot}$, $a_1 = 100 r_g$

$$\begin{aligned} r_c &\approx 1.5 \times 10^7 \text{m} \\ r_b &\approx 1.76 \times 10^5 \text{m} \\ r_e &\approx 3.6 \times 10^5 \text{m} \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

$$r_c \gg r_b, r_e$$

The two WDs will collide together before they form a binary or one of the WD be ejected.



- WD mass $m_1 = m_2 = 0.6M_{\odot}$, initial orbital separation $p = a_1 - a_2$.
- Initial eccentricities $e_1 = 0$ and $e_2 = 10^{-5}$.
- Initial orbital phase difference uniform distribute in $[0, 2\pi]$.
- N-body units $G = M = a_1 = 1$, $P_1 = 2\pi$.
- REBOUND, $10^5 P_1$.
- Three different initial parameters
 - Initial orbital separation
 - Relative orbital inclination
 - Mass of central SMBH

name	M	m_1, m_2	a_1	p/R_H	i_1, i_2	N
Run1	1	6×10^{-7}	1	1.0	0	1000
Run2	1	6×10^{-7}	1	1.5	0	1000
Run3	1	6×10^{-7}	1	2.0	0	1000
Run4	1	6×10^{-7}	1	2.5	0	1000
Run5	1	6×10^{-7}	1	3.0	0	1000
Run6	1	6×10^{-7}	1	3.5	0	1000
Run7	1	6×10^{-7}	1	[0.8,4]	0	4000
Run8	1	6×10^{-7}	1	3.0	$ i_1 - i_2 = 10^{-3} \frac{R_H}{a_1}$	1000
Run9	1	6×10^{-7}	1	3.0	$ i_1 - i_2 = 10^{-2} \frac{R_H}{a_1}$	1000
Run10	1	6×10^{-7}	1	3.0	$ i_1 - i_2 = 10^{-1} \frac{R_H}{a_1}$	1000
Run11	1	6×10^{-7}	1	3.0	$ i_1 - i_2 = \frac{R_H}{a_1}$	1000
Run12	1	6×10^{-8}	1	3.0	0	1000
Run13	1	6×10^{-9}	1	3.0	0	1000



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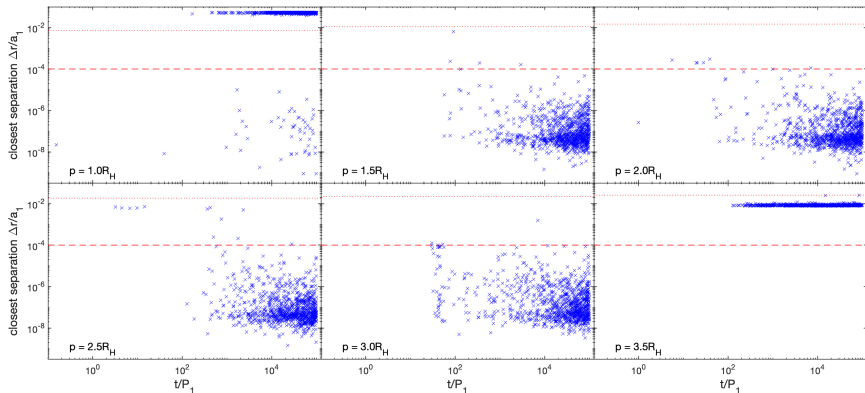
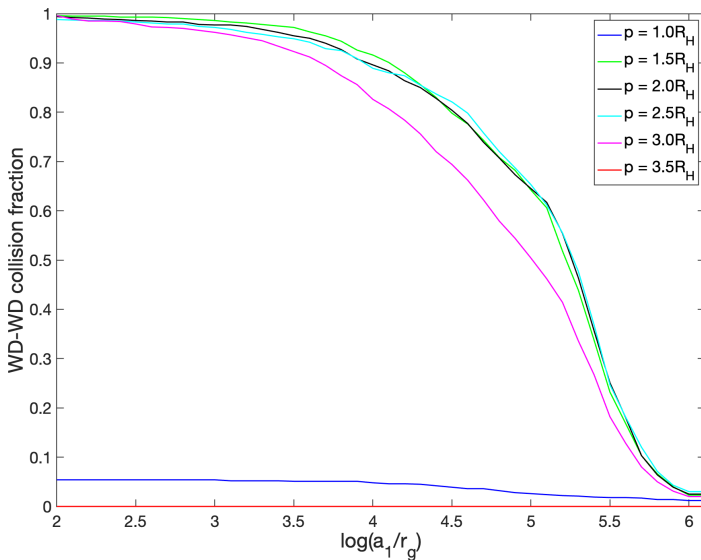
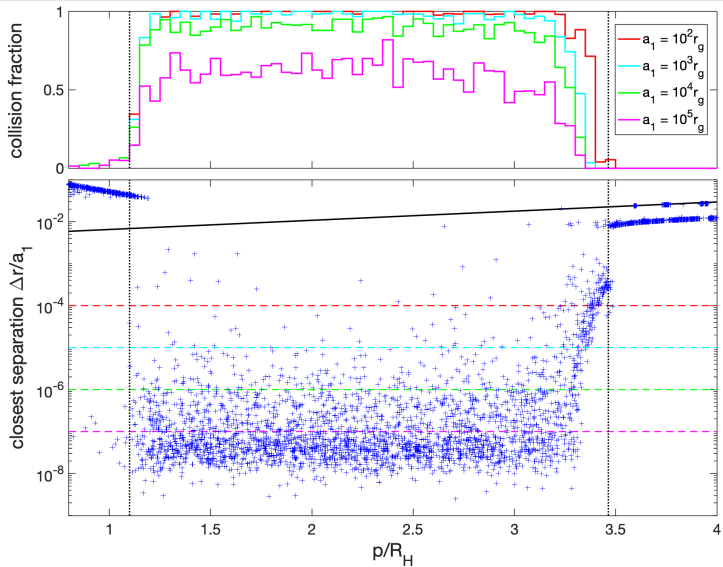
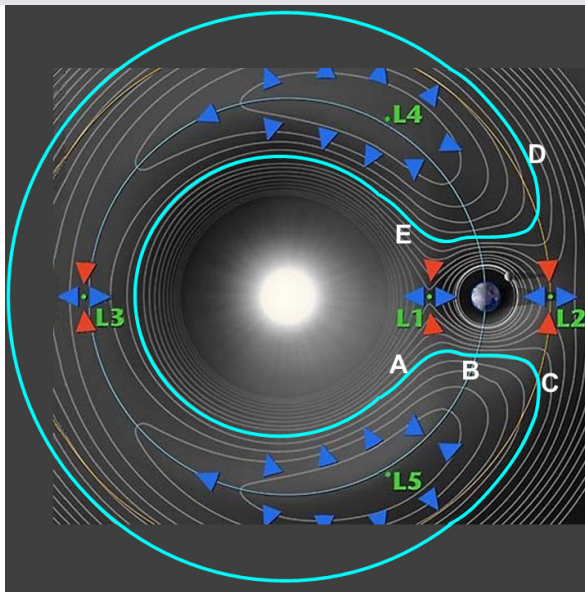
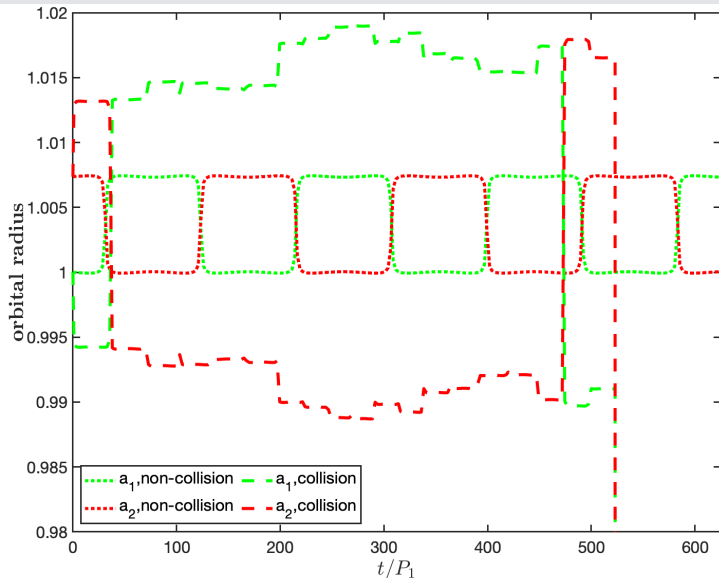


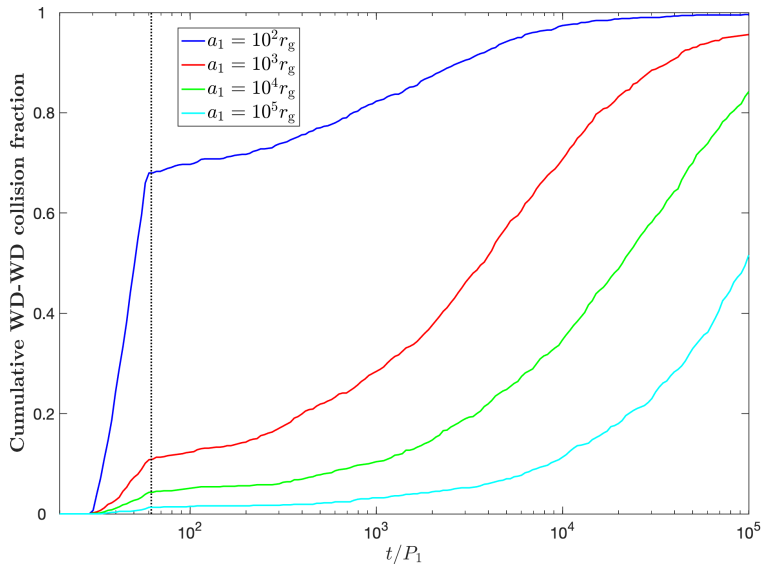
Figure: Closest separation in $10^5 P_1$ as a function of time. The red dot lines correspond to $\Delta r = p$. The red dash lines correspond to the close encounter separation.

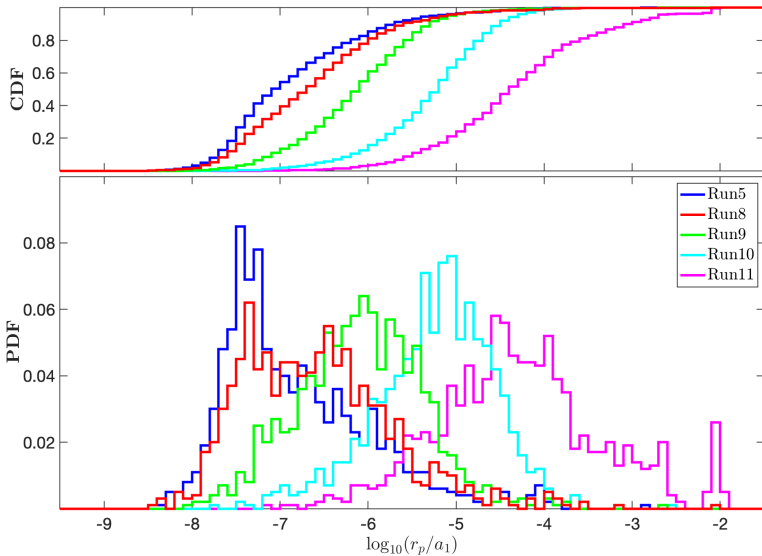


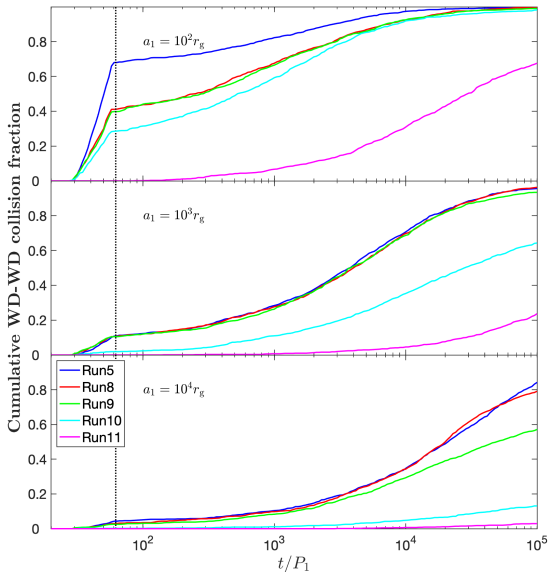


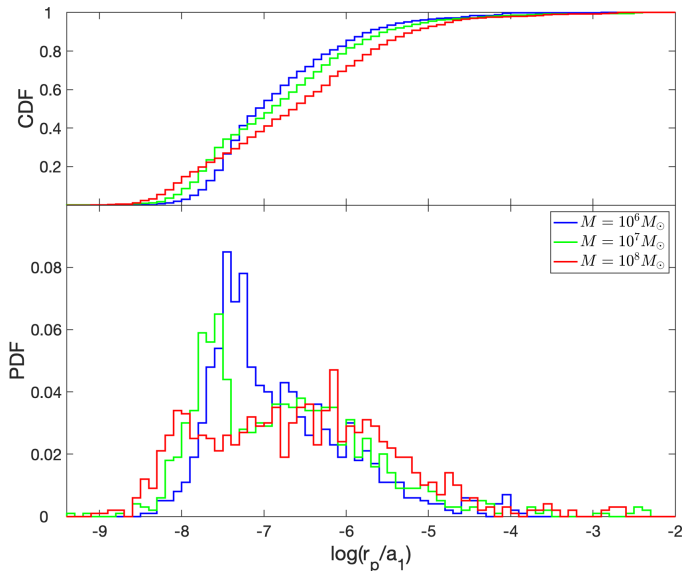


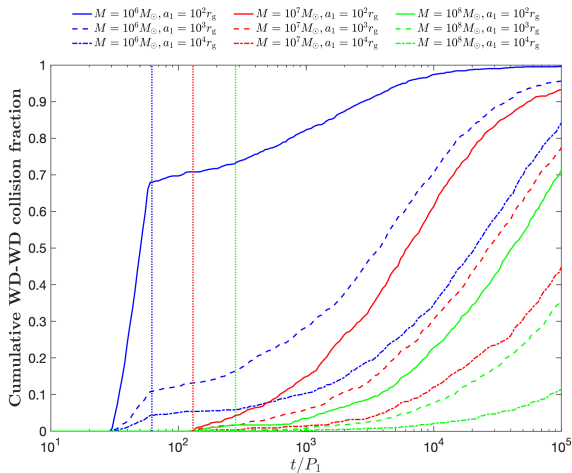












The red dot line
correspond to $62P_1$.

The number of BHs around the SMBH is $\sim 1 - 4 \times 10^4$.

As a result, there should exist $\sim 2 \times 10^5$ WDs around the SMBH.

the WD-WD collision rate

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{R} &= n_{\text{GN}} \times f_{\text{AGN}} \times \frac{N_{\text{WD}} \times f_{\text{d}} \times f_{3\text{b}} \times f_{\text{c}}}{\tau_{\text{AGN}}}, \\
 &= 300 \text{Gpc}^{-3} \text{yr}^{-1} \frac{n_{\text{WD}}}{0.006 \text{Mpc}^{-3}} \frac{N_{\text{WD}}}{2 \times 10^5} \frac{f_{\text{AGN}}}{0.1} \frac{f_{\text{d}}}{0.1} \\
 &\quad \times \frac{f_{3\text{b}}}{0.25} \frac{f_{\text{c}}}{1} \left(\frac{\tau}{10 \text{Myr}} \right)^{-1}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

Around 1% type Ia SNe rate.



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- WDs will collide rather than form binary in our restricted three-body system.
- The close encounter occur in most of our system for $1.1R_H < p < 2\sqrt{3}R_H$.
- The WD-WD collision fraction decrease as inclination increase.
- As the mass of central SMBH increase, WD-WD collision will decrease.
- The WD-WD collision rate is $300\text{Gpc}^{-3}\text{yr}^{-1}$.