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From isolated magnetars to accreting magnetars

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History of pulsars

- 1967: discovery of pulsars (Hewish, Bell et al.)
- ~1970: X-ray pulsars (accreting neutron stars in binary systems, Giacconi et al.)
- 1982: millisecond pulsars (Backer et al.)
 Recycled neutron stars via low mass X-ray binaries
- 1990s: magnetar (Thompson/Duncan, Kouveliotou et al.)
 - Where are accreting magnetars?



Tong & Wang 2014

Traditional magnetar model (Mereghetti 2008)

- Magnetar =
 - 1. young NS (SNR & MSC)
 - 2. $B_{dip} > B_{QED} = 4.4 \times 10^{13} \text{ G} \text{ (braking)}$
 - 3. B_{mul}=10¹⁴ -10¹⁵ G (burst and super-Eddington luminosity and persistent emission)



Giant flares of magnetars(Mereghetti 2008):1. Spike+pulsating tail(hundreds of seconds)

2. 10^4 times super-Eddington during the tail(10^42 erg s^-1)

Explanation: 10^15 G magnetic field as the energy power and cause of super-Eddington luminosity

Restless magnetars:





Mereghetti et al. (2015): comparison between different kinds of objects

Previous works: (1/2)

- On Fermi observations of magnetars
 - Tong+ 2010, **ApJL** 2011, **ApJ** (total citations: 31)
- Wind braking of magnetars Tong+ 2012, ApJL 2013, ApJ (citatons 50+) 2013a/b, RAA 2014, ApJ 2015, RAA 2016, RAA (total citations: 120+)
- Wind braking of pulsars Li+ 2014, **ApJ** Kou & Tong 2015, MNRAS (citations 21) Kou+ 2016, **RAA** Ou+ 2016, **MNRAS** Tong+ 2017, ApJ Kou+ 2019, **ApJ** (total citations: 60+)

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Previous works (2/2)

- Accreting magnetars

 Tong 2015, RAA (citations: 22);
 2016, ApJ;
 <u>Tong & Wang 2019, MNRAS</u>
 (total citations: 35)
- Others: Tong+ 2018, "A magnetically driven origin for the low luminosity GRB 170817A associated with GW170817", RAA (citations: 4)

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The key difference between magnetars and rotation-powered pulsars: **multipole magnetic field!**

Not their positions on the P-Pdot diagram (not the dipole magnetic field)

Evidence for strong multipole field in accreting systems (Tong & Wang 2014):

- 1. magnetar burst
- 2. hard X-ray tail
- 3. Ultra-luminous X-ray pulsar (late in 2014)

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An ultraluminous X-ray source powered by an accreting neutron star

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Models: accreting magnetar

- Observation: Bachetti et al. (arXiv:1410.3590) and subsequent ones
- 1. Eksi et al. (arXiv:1410.5205): accreting magnetar, smaller torque during accretion equilibrium
- 2. Lyutikov (1410.8745): accreting magnetar, super-Eddington accretion
- 3. Kluzniak & Lasota (1411.1005): ULX pulsar-->millisecond pulsar
- 4. Tong (1411.3168): accreting low magnetic field magnetar
- 5. Christodoulou et al. (1411.5434): accreting normal neutron star
- 6. Dall'Osso et al. (1412.1834): accreting magnetar
- Mushtukov et al. (1506.03600): maximum luminosity of 10^40 erg s^-
- 8. Pan et al. (1510.08597): evolution of accreting magnetars

10. King & Lasota (1601.03738): beaming

11. Fragos et al. (1501.02679), Shao & Li (1502.03905): formation

Accreting low magnetic field magnetar

- Aged magnetars are more like to be low magnetic field magnetars (10⁶ yrs old; consistent with population synthesis)
- Super-Eddington luminosity due to the presence of strong multipole field (e.g.,10^14 G)
- Rotational behaviors due to the interaction of much lower dipole field (10^12 G) with the accretion flow

Pan et al. 2015

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Four ULX pulsars up to now:

- (1)All show near sinusoidal pulse profile;
- (2) NGC 5907 ULX pulsar has X-ray luminosity as high as 2*10^41 erg s^-1
- (3) NGC 300 ULX1 showed a rapid period evolution

Table 1. The main parameters of four ULX pulsars: the observed luminosity $L_{x,iso}$, period P, period derivative \dot{P} , and the derived dipole magnetic field B_p assuming b = 0.2 and $\eta = 0.1$.

ULX name	$L_{\rm x,iso} \ ({\rm erg} \ {\rm s}^{-1})$	P (s)	$\dot{P}~({\rm s/s})$	$B_{\rm p}~({\rm G})$	References
M82 X-2 NGC7793 P13 NGC5907 ULX NGC300 ULX1	$ \begin{array}{r} 10^{40} \\ 10^{40} \\ 2 \times 10^{41} \\ 4.7 \times 10^{39} \\ \end{array} $	$ \begin{array}{r} 1.37 \\ 0.42 \\ 1.137 \\ 31.6 \end{array} $	-2×10^{-10} -3.5×10^{-11} -5×10^{-9} -5.56×10^{-7}	$\begin{array}{c} 2.1 \times 10^{10} \\ 2 \times 10^{11} \\ 6 \times 10^{12} \\ 6.7 \times 10^{13} \end{array}$	Bachetti et al. 2014 Fürst et al. 2016; Israel et al. 2017a Israel et al. 2017b Carpano et al. 2018

Consistent with our "accreting low magnetic field magnetar" model Tong & Wang 2019 MNRAS

The slowest pulsation X-ray pulsar

- AX J1910.7+0917
- Pspin ~ 10 hours (3.6*10^4 s)
- Lx ranges from 1.7*10^34 -10^36 erg s^-1
- May be un accreting magnetar (B=4*10^15 G) With low mass accretion rate (Mdot ~ 10^14)
- Indirect support: 4U 0114+61 (Pspin~9500s) (Sanjurjo-Ferrrin et al. 2017); magnetar in SNR RCW 103 (Pspin~6.7 hours) (Rea+2016; D'Ai+2016; Tong+ 2016)
- Possible transient disk in action in AX J1910
- Predictions: magnetar-like activities in AX J1910

3 kinds of accreting magnetars

- ULX pulsars: high mass accretion rate, decay of dipole magnetic field → accreting low-B magnetar
- Slow pulsation X-ray pulsars (AX J1910.7+0917, 4U 0114+65, 4U 2206+54, SFXTs): low mass accretion rate (Sanjurjo-Ferrrin et al. 2017; Reig et al. 2012; Bozzo et al. 2008)
- Slow pulsations X-ray pulsars in SMC (P~1000s): intermediate mass accretion rate (Klus+2014; Ho+2014)

Possible evolutions

Seven signatures of accreting magnetars (Tong & Wang 2019 and references therein)

- 1. Magnetar-like outburst
- 2. Hard X-ray tail
- 3. ULX pulsars
- 4. Cyclotron line observations (if the final magnetic field is in the magnetar range)
- Switch between the accretion phase and propeller phase (if the final magnetic field is in the magnetar range)
- 6. ULX sources with pulsar-like spectra
- 7. Slow pulsation X-ray pulsars

- 工作4: magnetar accretion from a fallback disk: Magnetar activities from the CCO in RCW 103
- Rea et al. arXiv:1607.04107; D'Ai et al. arXiv:1607.04264 (appear the same day on the arXiv)

Nature of CCO in RCW 103

- 1. a magnetar!
- 2. a very special magnetar compared with magnetars, CCOs, normal neutron stars and accreting neutron stars: the longest spin period (6.6 hours) (at that time)!
- 3. a magnetar braked down by a fallback disk in the past?

$$\dot{M}_{\rm acc} = \dot{M}_{\rm Edd}, \qquad 0 < t < t_{\rm eq},$$
 $= \dot{M}_{\rm Edd} \left(\frac{t}{t_{\rm eq}} \right)^{-\alpha}, \quad t \ge t_{\rm eq}.$

Rotational evolution of magnetars in the presence of a fallback disk: for different masses of the disk (left) and different magnetic field of the magnetar (right)

Only for **a high disk mass** (10^-5 Msun) and **high dipole field** (5*10^15 G), the magnetar will be spun down significantly by the fallback disk

Tong et al. 2016

Summary: Accreting magnetars

- 1. ULX pulsars: accreting magnetars in binary system? Accreting low-B magnetar?
- 2. Slow pulsations X-ray pulsars: accreting magnetar with low mass accretion rate? Possible evolution link?
- 3. CCO magnetar: magnetars braked down by a fallback disk

They are all accreting magnetars. They are all magnetars!

Many observations (e.g. glitch & anti-glitch)! Many opportunities!