Zoom-in Hydrodynamics Simulations of Binary Mass Transfer



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Why mass transfer?

Inevitable evolutionary phase of close binary systems

Current status

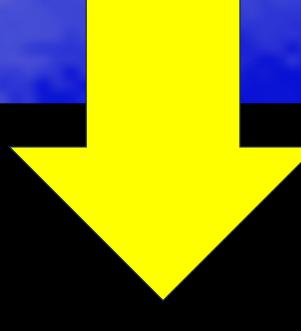
Mostly relying on analytic models, not properly capturing multi-D non-linear effects

Challenges

Computationally expensive to resolve the entire stellar surface in 3D

Solution

Zoom-in near Lagrangian points



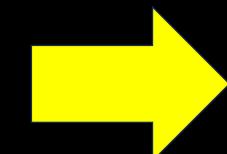
Athena++, nondimensionalizing (overfilling factor as a scaling factor)

For the L1 point of equal-mass binaries

1. Stream morphology -

Origin of main streams?

2. Mass transfer rate comparison-



Analytic solutions are accurate?



If you want to know more and watch some movies for simulations, please come to Poster 22 with the mass transfer image