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Recent developments of the JED-SAD paradigm, a unified accretion ejection paradigm for X-ray binaries :

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The hysteresis behavior of X-ray binaries during their outbursts remains a mystery. In this work, we developed a paradigm where the disk material accretes in two possible, mutually exclusive, ways (Ferreira et al. 2006). In the usual alpha-disk mode (SAD, Shakura & Sunayev 73), the dominant local torque is due to a radial transport of the disk angular momentum. In the jet-emitting disk mode (JED), magnetically-driven jets carry away mass, energy, and all the angular momentum vertically. We developed a two-temperature plasma code that computes the thermal balance at each radius for different values of the disk accretion rate (\dot{m}) and transition radius (j) between the JED and the SAD (Marcel+18a, A&A 615, A57). This framework has been applied with success to X-rays outburst of GX 339-4 (Marcel et al., 2019, A&A 626, A115) and MAXI J1820+070 (Marino et al. 2021, A&A 656, A63), using data from RXTE, Swift-XRT and BAT, Nicer and NuSTAR. Recently it has also been applied to Cyg X-1 and Swift 1727-1613 where swift-BAT data are very constraining. Combined with the general-relativistic radiative transfer code MONK (Zhang et al. 2019), we are now able to compute polarimetric signatures and compare to IXPE observations. I will introduce the model and present the most recent developments and results.

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