A Magnetar-Asteroid Impact Model for FRB 200428 Associated with an X-ray Burst from SGR 1935+2154 Zigao Dai

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A comet-Jupiter impact 16-22 July 1994





Comet Shoemaker-Levy 9: 21 fragments; Dinosaur extinction: asteroid-earth impact²

FRB from encounter of a pulsar and an asteroid







The first light of understanding FRBs

- Periodic (~16 day) activity from FRB 180916.J0158+65
 - (CHIME/FRB Collaboration et al. 2020, Nature, 582, 351)
 - Precessing magnetars (Yang & Zou 2020; Levin et al.

2020; Zanazzi & Lai 2020)

- Strongly magnetized neutron stars in binaries (Dai &

Zhong 2020; Lyutikov et al. 2020; Ioka & Zhang 2020)

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Periodic Fast Radio Bursts as a Probe of Extragalactic Asteroid Belts

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1. Observed features



- FRB 200428 with two pulses of intrinsic durations ~ 0.60 ms and ~ 0.34 ms from SGR 1935+2154 was reported. The two pulses are separated by ~ 28.91 ms.
- This FRB has a fluence of 0.7 MJy ms and 1.5 ± 0.3 MJy ms detected by the CHIME and STARE2 telescopes, respectively.

CHIME/FRB Collaboration et al. 2020, arXiv:2005.10324 STARE2: Bochenek et al. 2020, arXiv:2005.10828 $\ensuremath{\mathbb{C}}$ 2020. The American Astronomical Society. All rights reserved.



On the Distance of SGR 1935+2154 Associated with FRB 200428 and Hosted in SNR G57.2+0.8

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Prediction of an XRB



REPEATING FAST RADIO BURSTS FROM HIGHLY MAGNETIZED PULSARS TRAVELING THROUGH ASTEROID BELTS

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We further discuss the other possible phenomenon in the pulsar-asteroid encounter model. When an asteroid impacts the surface of a pulsar, a resultant hot spot with radius given approximately by Equation (6) is powered by the gravitational energy release, but meanwhile it is cooled down by the surface blackbody radiation. Under the assumption of thermal equilibrium, the temperature of the hot spot is estimated by $T_{\rm spot} \sim (\dot{E}_{\rm G}/$ $\sigma_{\rm SB}\pi r^2)^{1/4} = 1.64 \times 10^9 m_{18}^{1/36} \rho_{0.0.9}^{19/72} s_{10}^{-1/24} (M/1.4M_{\odot})^{5/12}$ $R_{*.6}^{-1/2}$ K, where $\sigma_{\rm SB}$ is the Stefan–Boltzmann constant. We see that this blackbody temperature is very weakly dependent on asteroidal mass and that the emission from the hot spot turns out to be at soft gamma-ray energies rather than X-ray energy suggested by Huang & Geng (2014) and Geng & Huang

(2015). This is the reason that pulsar-asteroid impacts were widely argued to be an origin of nearby GRBs in the early literature. Assuming isotropic emission, the farthest distance of such GRBs is estimated by $D_{\text{GRB,max}} \sim (\dot{E}_{\text{G}}/4\pi F_{\gamma})^{1/2} =$ $31.4m_{18}^{5/18}\rho_{0.0.9}^{5/36}s_{10}^{1/12}(M/1.4M_{\odot})^{2/3}R_{*.6}^{-1/2}F_{\gamma,-12}^{-1/2}$ Mpc, where $F_{\gamma} = F_{\gamma,-12} \times 10^{-12} \text{ erg cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ is the sensitivity of a detector. Further assuming the total rate of FRBs $\mathcal{R}_{FRB} \sim 10^4 \text{ sky}^{-1} \text{ day}^{-1}$ and their farthest distance $D_{\text{FRB,max}} \sim 3.2$ Gpc (Thornton et al. 2013), we obtain the observable rate of GRBs, $\mathcal{R}_{GRB} \sim \mathcal{R}_{FRB}$ $(D_{\text{GRB,max}}/D_{\text{FRB,max}})^3 \sim 3.44 m_{18}^{5/6} \rho_{0.0.9}^{5/12} s_{10}^{1/4} (M/1.4M_{\odot})^2$ $R_{*,6}^{-3/2}$ $F_{\gamma,-12}^{-3/2}$ yr⁻¹, if all FRBs result from pulsar-asteroid impacts. This implies that only a few extremely low-luminosity GRBs associated with FRBs per year would be detected by a satellite with sensitivity of $F_{\gamma} = 10^{-12} \text{ erg cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$.



- An XRB with two peaks associated with FRB 200428 was simultaneously detected by a few high-E satellites.
- The XRB's spectrum can be fitted by a cutoff power law (CPL) or two-T
 BB (kT₁ ~ 11 keV and kT₂ ~ 30 keV) or BB + PL model.

$$E_{\rm X} \sim (0.8 - 1.2) \times 10^{40} (D/10 \,{\rm kpc})^2 \,{\rm erg}$$

Insight-HXMT: Li et al. 2020, arXiv:2005.11071 INTEGRAL: Mereghetti et al. 2020, arXiv:2005.06335 Konus-Wind: Ridnaia et al. 2020, arXiv:2005.11178 AGILE: Tavani et al. 2020, arXiv:2005.12164

Magnetar-based interior-driven models: Lyutikov & Popov 2020; Margalit+2020; Lu, Kuamr & Zhang 2020

2. The magnetar-asteroid impact model

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Assumption: an old-aged magnetar encounters an asteroid of mass m_a ~ 10²⁰ g.
 Physically, this asteroid is first disrupted tidally into a great deal of fragments, and then two major iron-nickel fragments of m ~ 10¹⁷ g are distorted.

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FRB 200428: An Impact between an Asteroid and a Magnetar

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Disruption radius: $R_{\rm d} \sim (M/m_{\rm a})^{1/3} r_{\rm a} \sim 6.1 \times 10^{10} (M/1.4 M_{\odot})^{1/3} \,{\rm cm}$ Fragmental breakup radius: $R_{\rm b} = 1.3 \times 10^9 (m/10^{17} \,{\rm g})^{2/9} (M/1.4 M_{\odot})^{1/3} \,{\rm cm}$



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The accretion duration of a major fragment (Dai et al. 2016, ApJ, 829, 27):

$$\Delta t \simeq \frac{12r_0}{5} \left(\frac{R_{\rm b}}{GM}\right)^{1/2} = 0.57 \left(\frac{m}{10^{17}\,{\rm g}}\right)^{4/9} \left(\frac{M}{1.4M_{\odot}}\right)^{-1/3} \,{\rm ms}$$

For the first pulse ($\Delta t \approx 0.6$ ms) of FRB 200428, the fragmental mass:

$$m \simeq 1.1 \times 10^{17} \left(\frac{\Delta t}{0.6 \,\mathrm{ms}}\right)^{9/4} \left(\frac{M}{1.4M_{\odot}}\right)^{3/4} \mathrm{g}$$

The magnetic interaction radius (≈ the Alfven radius):

$$R_{\rm m} \simeq 1.2 \times 10^7 \left(\frac{\Delta t}{0.6\,{\rm ms}}\right)^{-1/18} \left(\frac{M}{1.4M_{\odot}}\right)^{-15/54} \left(\frac{\mu}{2.2 \times 10^{32}\,{\rm G\,cm^3}}\right)^{4/9} \,{\rm cm}$$

The radius of this elongated cylindrical fragment at $R_{\rm m}$:

$$r(R_{\rm m}) \simeq 2.1 \times 10^4 \left(\frac{\Delta t}{0.6\,{\rm ms}}\right)^{17/36} \left(\frac{M}{1.4M_{\odot}}\right)^{-15/108} \left(\frac{\mu}{2.2 \times 10^{32}\,{\rm G\,cm}^3}\right)^{2/9} {\rm cm}_{14}$$

Geometry of an FRB-Emitting Region



Features of an FRB/XRB

The Lorentz factor of electrons accelerated at R_m (Dai 2020):

$$\gamma \equiv \chi \gamma_{\max} \simeq \chi \left(\frac{6\pi e |E_2|}{\sigma_T B^2}\right)^{1/2}$$
$$\simeq 140\chi \left(\frac{\Delta t}{0.6 \,\mathrm{ms}}\right)^{-5/72} \left(\frac{M}{1.4 M_{\odot}}\right)^{-7/72} \left(\frac{\mu}{2.2 \times 10^{32} \,\mathrm{G \, cm^3}}\right)^{1/18}$$

The characteristic frequency of their coherent curvature radiation:

$$\nu_{\rm curv} \simeq 2.0\chi^3 \delta \left(\frac{\Delta t}{0.6\,{\rm ms}}\right)^{-5/24} \left(\frac{M}{1.4M_{\odot}}\right)^{-7/24} \left(\frac{\mu}{2.2 \times 10^{32}\,{\rm G\,cm}^3}\right)^{1/6} \left(\frac{\rho_{\rm c}}{10^7\,{\rm cm}}\right)^{-1} \,{\rm GHz}$$

$$\simeq 2.5\chi^3 \delta \left(\frac{\Delta t}{0.6\,{\rm ms}}\right)^{-11/72} \left(\frac{M}{1.4M_{\odot}}\right)^{-1/72} \left(\frac{\mu}{2.2 \times 10^{32}\,{\rm G\,cm}^3}\right)^{-5/18} \,{\rm GHz}$$
where $\delta = 1/\{2\gamma^2[1-\beta\cos(\theta_{\rm v}-\theta_{\rm i})]\}$ and $\rho_{\rm c} = 0.635R_{\rm m}$

FRB

The total luminosity (L_{tot}) of a resultant beamed FRB (Dai 2020):

$$L_{\text{tot}} \sim 2.0 \times 10^{36} \frac{1}{\chi^3} \left(\frac{m}{10^{17} \,\text{g}}\right)^{8/9} \left(\frac{M}{1.4 M_{\odot}}\right)^{19/12} \times \left(\frac{\mu}{2.2 \times 10^{32} \,\text{G} \,\text{cm}^3}\right)^{3/2} \left(\frac{R_{\text{m}}}{10^7 \,\text{cm}}\right)^{-23/4} \left(\frac{\rho_{\text{c}}}{10^7 \,\text{cm}}\right)^{-1} \,\text{erg}\,\text{s}^{-1} \quad \textbf{FRB}$$

The isotropic-equivalent energy release of the FRB:

$$E_{\rm radio} \simeq \frac{\delta^3}{f} \times L_{\rm tot} \times \Delta t \qquad \text{where} \quad f \equiv \Delta \Omega / (4\pi) \simeq 1 / (2\gamma)$$
$$E_{\rm radio} \sim 1.4 \times 10^{35} \frac{\delta^3}{\chi^2} \left(\frac{\Delta t}{0.6\,\mathrm{ms}}\right)^{119/36} \left(\frac{M}{1.4M_{\odot}}\right)^{145/36} \left(\frac{\mu}{2.2 \times 10^{32}\,\mathrm{G\,cm^3}}\right)^{-13/9} \,\mathrm{erg}$$

The total asteroid-magnetar gravitational energy available for an XRB:

$$E_{\rm G} \simeq \frac{GMm_{\rm a}}{R_*} \sim 1.9 \times 10^{40} \left(\frac{m_{\rm a}}{10^{20}\,{\rm g}}\right) \left(\frac{M}{1.4M_{\odot}}\right) \left(\frac{R_*}{10^6\,{\rm cm}}\right)^{-1}$$

This energy is released in a timescale (Dai et al. 2016):

$$t_{\rm a} \simeq \frac{12r_{\rm a}}{5} \left(\frac{R_{\rm d}}{GM}\right)^{1/2} \sim 0.1 \left(\frac{m_{\rm a}}{10^{20}\,{\rm g}}\right)^{1/3} \left(\frac{M}{1.4M_{\odot}}\right)^{-1/3} {\rm s}$$

A fireball is initially trapped by magnetic field lines and thus its temperature:

$$T_{\rm fb} \sim \left(\frac{B^2}{8\pi a}\right)^{1/4} = 1.8 \times 10^{10} \left(\frac{B}{10^{14} \,\mathrm{G}}\right)^{1/2} \,\mathrm{K}$$

 \Rightarrow A dense population of e[±] pairs, driving a relativistic outflow and an XRB.

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erg

3. Constraints on model parameters

If $B_{\rm s} = 2.2 \times 10^{14} \,\text{G}$, $M = 1.4 M_{\odot}$, and $R_* = 10^6 \,\text{cm}$ are adopted, we obtain

The energy release of the XRB associated with FRB 200428 (Dai 2020):

$$E_{\rm X} \sim 1.9 \times 10^{40} \zeta \left(\frac{m_{\rm a}}{10^{20} \,{\rm g}}\right) \,{\rm erg}$$

- > As the asteroid collides with the stellar surface, a resultant hot fireball has such a high temperature $T_{\rm fb}$ that a dense population of e[±] pairs are inevitably created.
- Thermal X-rays from a photosphere in the relativistically expanding fireball are emitted and thus superposition of radiation from different photospheres leads to a multi-temperature BB spectrum of the XRB.
- Collisions between different shells in the fireball could give rise to nonthermal emission, similar to internal shocks in GRBs.
- \succ This model can thus explain the observed spectrum and light curve of the XRB.

Ze-Nan Liu et al. 2020, in preparation 20

Self-consistent interpretation of observations

FRB 200428: emission frequency, luminosity, and two pulses
 Associated XRB: luminosity, unusual spectrum, and two peaks
 Non-detection of pulsed emission prior to FRB 200428 by FAST
 3-6 ms delay of XRB's peaks with respect to FRB 200428's pulses



(5) Sites of FRB 200428 and XRB

 $\Delta \tau$ = Separation of two pulses of FRB 200428 minus that of XRB



6 QPO in SGR 1935+2154?

Quasi-periodical flux oscillation of XRB associated with FRB 200428



4. Conclusions

- > FRB 200428-emitting region for the fragmental mass $m \sim 10^{17}$ g looks like an openmouthed clam, whose inclination angle $\theta_i \sim 1.7 \times 10^{-3}$.
- The typical Lorentz factor of emitting electrons is γ ~ 120. Our line of sight is just within the solid angle of FRB 200428.
- > As an asteroid with $m_a \sim 10^{20}$ g collides with the stellar surface, a resultant fireball has a temperature ~ 2×10¹⁰ K, leading to e[±] pairs and an XRB.
- > This model can thus interpret all of the observed features self-consistently.

"目前似乎只有你的模型还活着" — 张双南

Thank you!