

Measuring SMBH mass

requires resolving the sphere of influence

observational signatures: (1) a spike in σ_* (2) Keplerian $\propto 1/r$ velocity

r_{inf} defined as the radius at which $-U_{\text{BH}} = 2 K_*$:

$$r_{\text{inf}} = \frac{G M_{\text{BH}}}{\sigma_*^2} \Leftrightarrow \frac{G M_{\text{BH}}}{r_{\text{inf}}} = \sigma_*^2$$
$$= 11 \text{ pc} \frac{M_{\text{BH}}}{10^8 M_{\odot}} \left(\frac{\sigma_*}{200 \text{ km/s}} \right)^{-2}$$

which is 10^6 times greater than the Schwarzschild radius:

$$r_{\text{Sch}} = \frac{2 G M_{\text{BH}}}{c^2} = 2 \text{ AU} \frac{M_{\text{BH}}}{10^8 M_{\odot}}$$

BH feedback energy

total energy released throughout the history of the universe per unit volume:

$$E_{\text{BH}} = \epsilon \cdot \rho_{\text{BH}} \cdot c^2, \quad \epsilon: \text{radiative efficiency} \approx 0.1$$

$$E_{\text{SN}} = \frac{10^{51} \text{ erg}}{100 M_{\odot}} \cdot \rho_*, \quad 1 \text{ SN per } 100 M_{\odot} \text{ of stars formed}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{E_{\text{BH}}}{E_{\text{SN}}} = \frac{\epsilon \cdot 100 M_{\odot} \cdot c^2}{10^{51} \text{ erg}} \cdot \frac{\rho_{\text{BH}}}{\rho_*} = 1.8 \times 10^4 \cdot \frac{\rho_{\text{BH}}}{\rho_*}$$

Radiative efficiency

$$\epsilon = \frac{L}{\dot{m} c^2} = \frac{\Delta E}{m c^2} \left[\text{where } \dot{m} \text{ is accretion rate, } m \text{ the mass of a gas cloud} \right]$$

consider a patch of cloud that is accreted from a distance of ∞ , its original energy is: $E_0 = U_0 + K_0 = 0$

the accretion disk ends at R , where the energy of the cloud becomes:

$$E_R = U_R + K_R = \frac{1}{2} U_R = - \frac{G M m}{2 R}$$

if all the energy loss is radiated away, we have (with Virial theorem):

$$\epsilon = \frac{\Delta E}{m c^2} = \frac{G M}{2 R c^2} = 0.074 \frac{M / 10^6}{R / 10 \text{ km}} = \frac{1}{12} \text{ when } R = 3 r_{\text{Sch}} = \frac{6 G M}{c^2}$$

Accretion disk temperature profile:

assume an optically thick, steady-state disk

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black body

↓
 \dot{m} is independent of r

consider the energy loss of inflowing gas from $r+dr$ to r

$$\frac{dE}{dt} = \frac{d}{dr} \left[\frac{GM\dot{m}}{2r} \right] \cdot dr = \frac{GM\dot{m}}{2r^2} dr$$

this energy has to be radiated away locally:

$$\frac{dE}{dt} = \sigma_{SB} T^4 \cdot 4\pi r dr$$

$$\Rightarrow T(r) = \left(\frac{GM\dot{m}}{8\pi\sigma_{SB}r^3} \right)^{1/4} = \left(\frac{GM\dot{m}}{8\pi\sigma_{SB}R^3} \right)^{1/4} \cdot \left(\frac{r}{R} \right)^{-3/4} \equiv T_c \cdot \left(\frac{r}{R} \right)^{-3/4}$$

where R is the innermost radius of the disk

For neutron stars:

$$T_c = \left(\frac{GM\dot{m}}{8\pi\sigma_{SB}R^3} \right)^{1/4} = 10^7 \text{ K} \left(\frac{M}{1.4M_\odot} \right)^{1/4} \left(\frac{\dot{m}}{1.6 \times 10^{-9} M_\odot/\text{yr}} \right)^{1/4} \left(\frac{R}{10 \text{ km}} \right)^{-3/4}$$

For SMBHs:

$$R \simeq R_{\text{ISCO}} = 3r_{\text{Sch}} = \frac{6GM}{c^2} \simeq 6 \text{ AU} \left(\frac{M}{10^8 M_\odot} \right)$$

$$M \simeq 10^8 M_\odot, \quad \dot{m} = 1 M_\odot/\text{yr}$$

$$T_c = 4 \times 10^5 \text{ K} \quad (\text{much cooler than that of neutron stars})$$

Eddington Luminosity Limit

① single particle derivation:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{grav. force on proton} &: F_{\text{grav}} = \frac{GM}{r^2} \cdot m_p \\ \text{radi. force on } e^- &: F_{\text{rad}} = \frac{dP}{dt} = \frac{d(E/c)}{dt} = \frac{1}{c} \cdot \text{flux} \cdot \sigma_T \end{aligned}$$

$\frac{L}{4\pi r^2}$
↓

outflow happens when $F_{\text{rad}} > F_{\text{grav}}$, which gives

$$L > \frac{4\pi GMc}{\sigma_T/m_p} \equiv L_{\text{Edd}}$$

② hydrostatic equilibrium derivation:

imagine atmosphere of a massive star, hydro equil. requires:

$$\frac{dP}{dr} = -\rho g = -G \frac{M\rho}{r^2}$$

where the pressure gradient comes from P_{rad} & P_{gas} .

if the star is extremely luminous, $\frac{dP}{dr}$ is dominated by $\frac{dP_{\text{rad}}}{dr}$, which equals:

$$\frac{dP_{\text{rad}}}{dr} = -\frac{\sigma n}{c} \cdot \text{flux} \quad (\text{radiative pressure gradient drives flux})$$

outflow happens when

$$-\frac{dP}{dr} \approx -\frac{dP_{\text{rad}}}{dr} > \rho g$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\sigma n}{c} \cdot \frac{L}{4\pi r^2} > G \frac{M\rho}{r^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow L > \frac{4\pi GMc}{\sigma/(c\rho/n)} = \frac{4\pi GMc}{\sigma_T/m_p} \equiv L_{\text{Edd}}$$

$M_{BH} - \sigma_*$ relation:

$$\frac{M_{BH}}{10^9 M_\odot} = (0.310 \pm 0.035) \left(\frac{\sigma_*}{200 \text{ km/s}} \right)^{4.4 \pm 0.3}$$

theory based on radiative feedback (King 2003):

consider both the gas and the stars in the bulge follow SIS profile:

$$\rho_{\text{gas}}(r) = f_{\text{gas}} \cdot \frac{\sigma_*^2}{2\pi G r^2}$$

which gives:

$$M_{\text{gas}}(r) = \frac{2 f_{\text{gas}} \sigma_*^2 r}{G} \quad \& \quad v_{\text{cirk}}(r) = \sqrt{2} \sigma_*$$

consider, if the surrounding gas absorbs a fraction of the AGN luminosity, and if the SMBH is at the Eddington limit (i.e., max power), we have the momentum deposition of swept up gas in a shell at r :

$$M_{\text{gas}}(r) \cdot \frac{dr}{dt} = \delta \int_0^t \frac{L_{\text{Edd}}}{c} dt \approx \frac{\delta L_{\text{Edd}}}{c} \cdot t$$

↑
total momentum of gas

$$\Rightarrow \frac{r}{t} \cdot \frac{dr}{dt} = \frac{\delta G L_{\text{Edd}}}{2 f_{\text{gas}} \sigma_*^2 \cdot c} \quad (1)$$

also we know the Eddington luminosity:

$$L_{\text{Edd}} = \frac{4\pi G M_{\text{BH}} \cdot c}{\sigma_T / m_p}$$

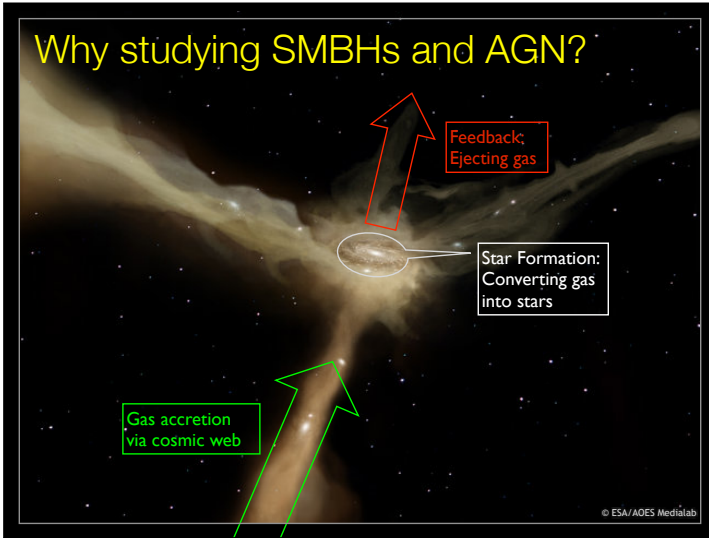
we have the terminal velocity as [by integrating Eq (1)]:

$$\left(\frac{r}{t} \right)^2 = \frac{\delta G}{2 f_{\text{gas}} \sigma_*^2} \cdot \frac{4\pi G M_{\text{BH}} \cdot c}{\sigma_T / m_p}$$

mean velocity is half of current velocity
↓

for the gas to be ejected, we need $v_m = \frac{r}{t} = \sigma_* \Rightarrow \frac{dr}{dt} = 2\sigma_*$

this criterion leads to $M_{\text{BH}} \geq \frac{f_{\text{gas}}}{2\pi \delta} \cdot \frac{\sigma_T / m_p}{G^2} \cdot \sigma_*^4$



The importance of SMBHs

compare the total amount of feedback energies from SMBHs and SNe:

$$E_{\text{BH}}/V \simeq 0.1 \rho_{\text{BH}} c^2$$

$$E_{\text{SN}}/V \simeq \frac{10^{51} \text{ erg}}{100 M_{\odot}} \rho_{\star}$$

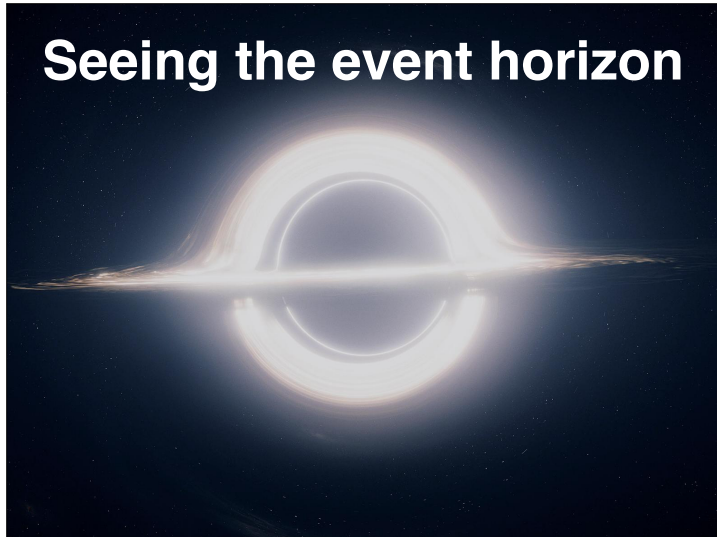
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if $\rho_{\text{BH}} \simeq 0.001 \rho_{\star}$

then $\frac{E_{\text{BH}}}{E_{\text{SN}}} \simeq 1.8$

SMBHs and AGN

- **Measuring the mass of SMBHs in normal galaxies**
 - resolving the gravitational sphere of influence
 - enabled by AO and HST observations (1989)
 - $M_{\text{BH}}\text{-}\sigma^*$ relation (2000)
- **Understanding the $M_{\text{BH}}\text{-}\sigma^*$ relation**
 - How SMBHs moderate the growth of galaxies
- **Active Galactic Nuclei (AGN): Quasars (1963)/QSOs 1965)/Radio Galaxies (1949)/Seyferts (1943)**
 - Accretion disk physics
 - Deducing the innermost structures of AGN
 - Measuring BH masses in AGN: reverberation mapping and the BLR size-luminosity relation



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First M87 Event Horizon Telescope Results. I. The Shadow of the Supermassive Black Hole

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Abstract

When surrounded by a transparent emission region, black holes are expected to reveal a dark shadow caused by gravitational light bending and photon capture at the event horizon. To image and study this phenomenon, we have assembled the Event Horizon Telescope, a global very long baseline interferometry array observing at a wavelength of 1.3 mm. This allows us to reconstruct event-horizon-scale images of the supermassive black hole candidate in the center of the giant elliptical galaxy M87. We have resolved the central compact radio source as an asymmetric bright emission ring with a diameter of $42 \pm 3 \mu\text{s}$, which is circular and encompasses a central depression in brightness with a flux ratio $\geq 10:1$. The emission ring is recovered using different calibration and imaging schemes, with its diameter and width remaining stable over four different observations carried out in different days. Overall, the observed image is consistent with expectations for the shadow of a Kerr black hole as predicted by general relativity. The asymmetry in brightness in the ring can be explained in terms of relativistic beaming of the emission from a plasma rotating close to the speed of light around a black hole. We compare our images to an extensive library of ray-traced general-relativistic magnetohydrodynamic simulations of black holes and derive a central mass of $M = (6.5 \pm 0.7) \times 10^6 M_{\odot}$. Our radio-wave observations thus provide powerful evidence for the presence of supermassive black holes in centers of galaxies and as the central engines of active galactic nuclei. They also present a new tool to explore gravity in its most extreme limit and on a mass scale that was so far not accessible.

Key words: accretion, accretion disks – black hole physics – galaxies: active – galaxies: individual (M87) – galaxies: jets – gravitation

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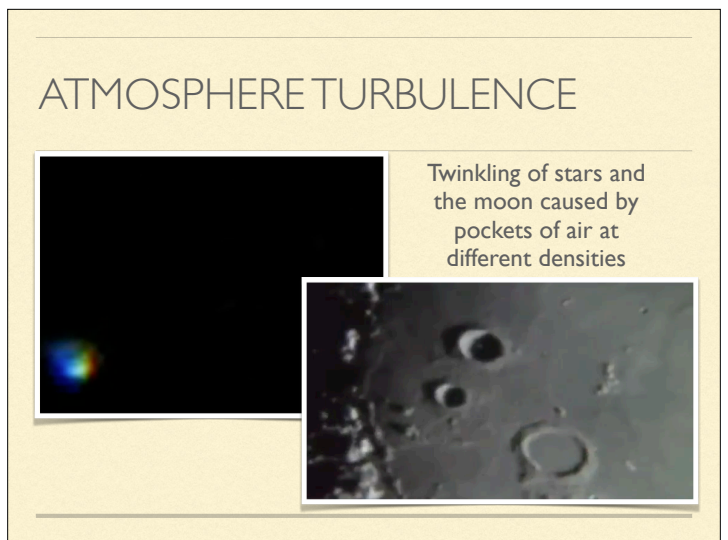
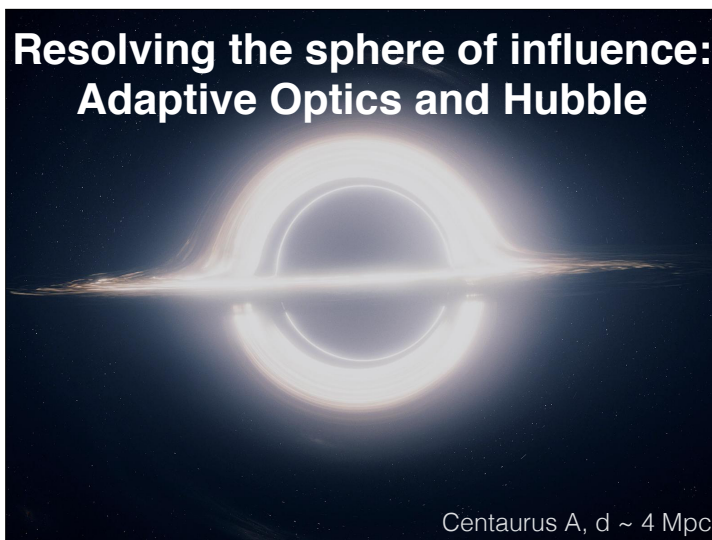
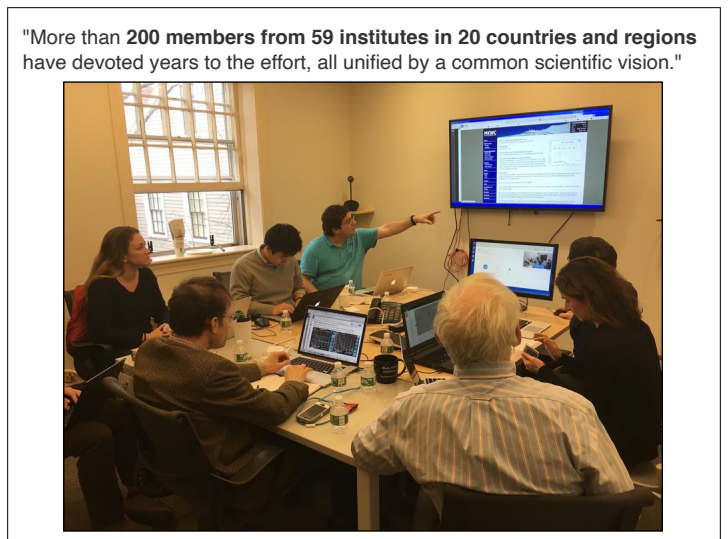
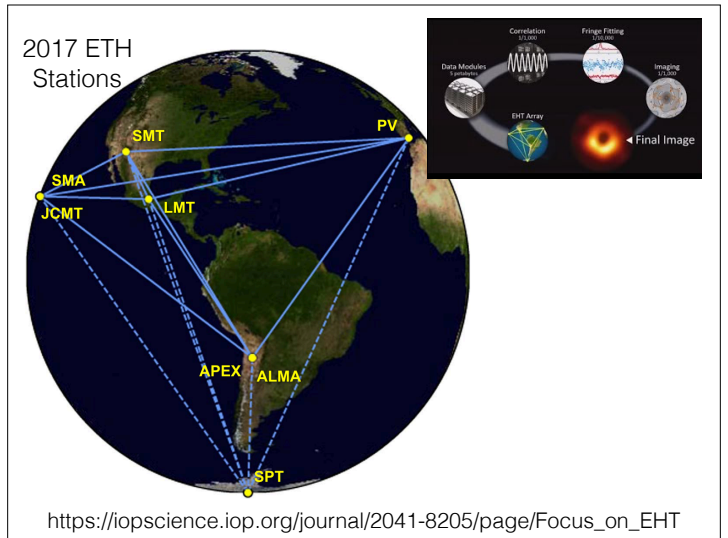
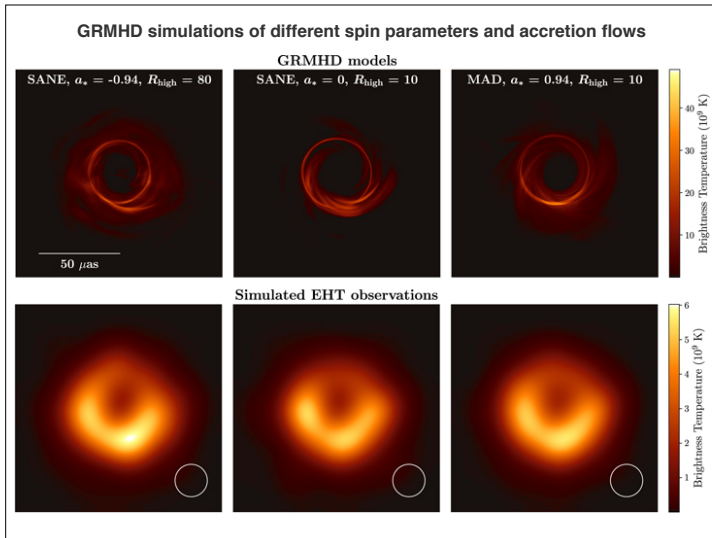
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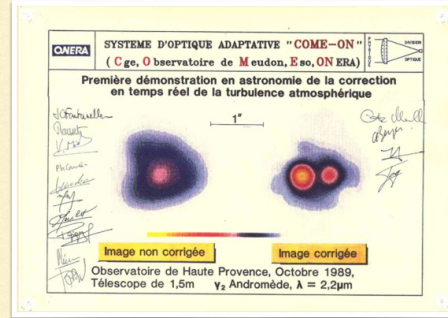


THE IDEA OF ADAPTIVE OPTICS



- "If we had the means of continually **measuring** the deviation of rays from all parts of the mirror, and of amplifying and **feeding back** this information so as to correct locally the figure of the mirror in response to the schlieren pattern, we could expect to **compensate both for the seeing and for any inherent imperfection of the optical figure**"
 (Horace Babcock 1953 PASP)

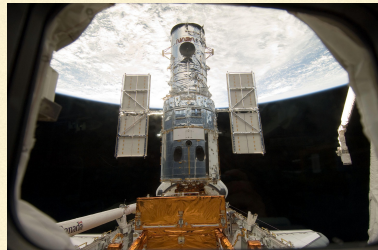
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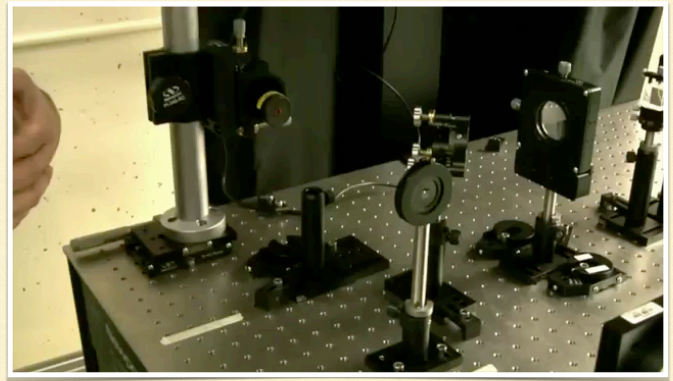
- 1989, the first AO for astronomy worked: **COME-ON** on the 1.5-m telescope of Haute-Provence Observatory in southern France.
- In 1991, the US military declassified most of the development work on AO to astronomers.

"An old dream of ground-based astronomers has finally come true", Merkle+1989

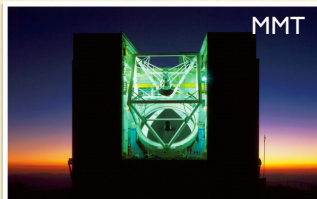
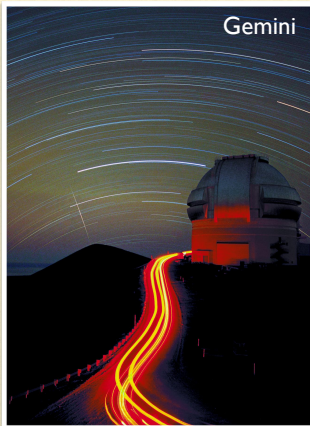
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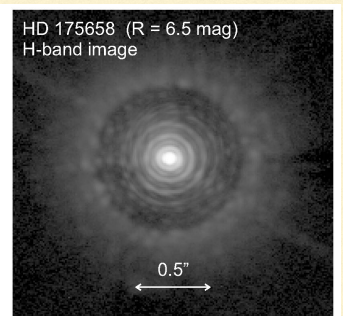
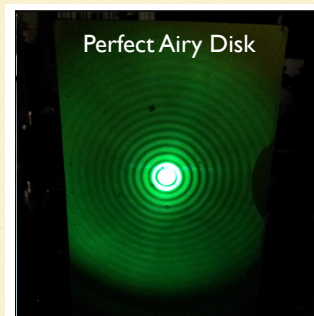
A SIMPLIFIED AO OPTICAL BENCH



20 YEARS LATER, AO HAS BECOME STANDARD



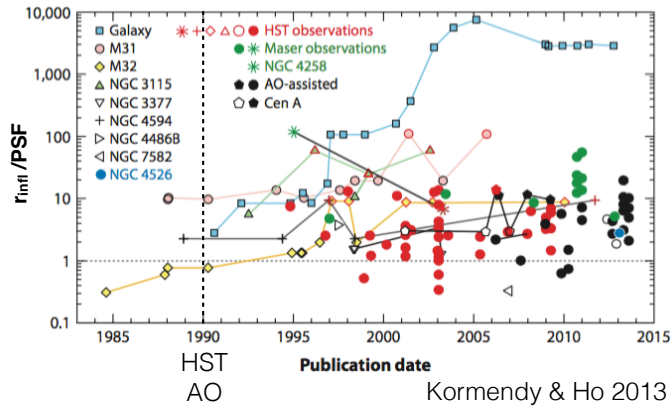
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Deformable secondary mirror of LBT, 1-m across, costs \$1m!

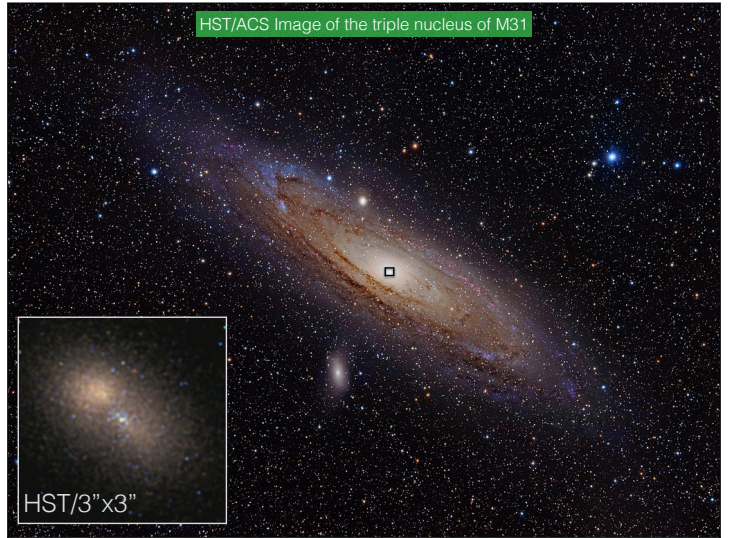
Esposito+2010

Key: Resolving the Sphere of Influence



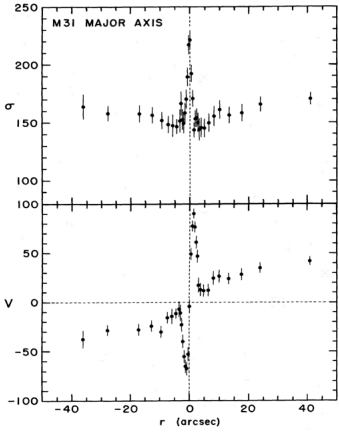
Kormendy & Ho 2013

HST/ACS Image of the triple nucleus of M31

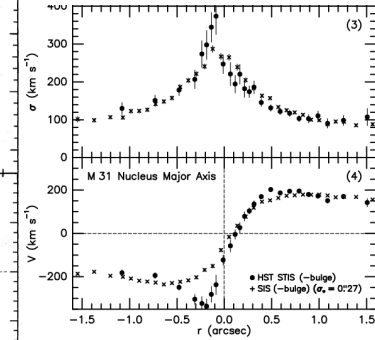


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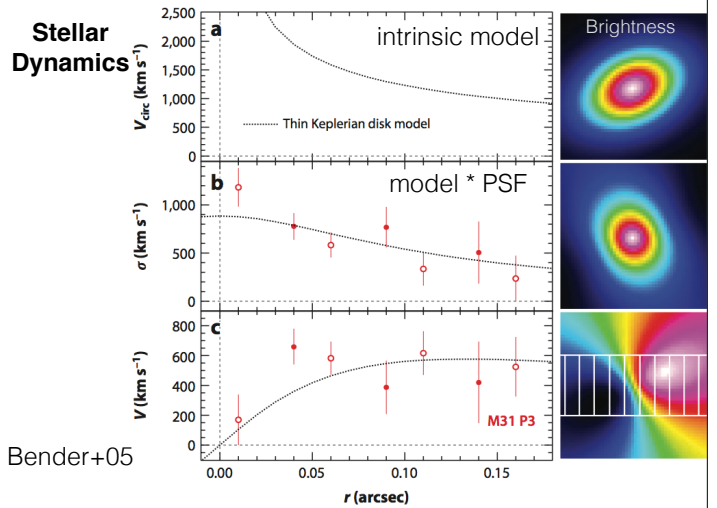
M31: 1988 CFHT data



M31: 2005 HST data



Stellar Dynamics

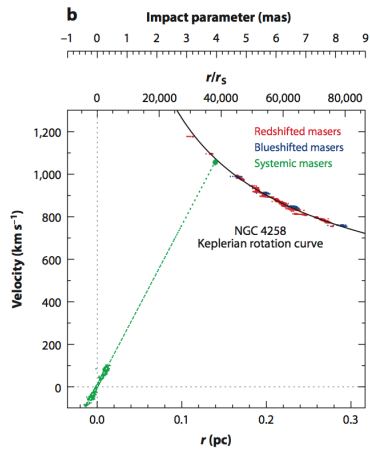


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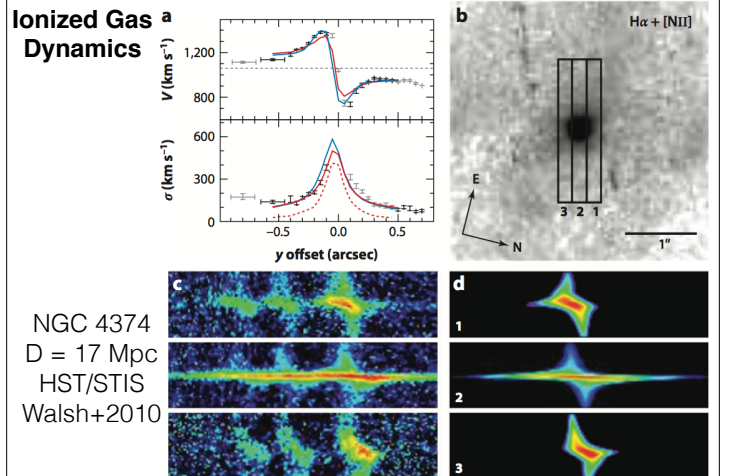
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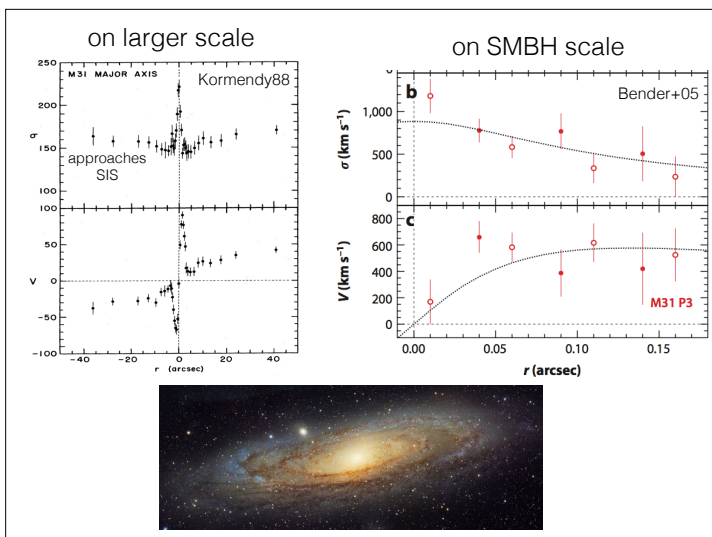
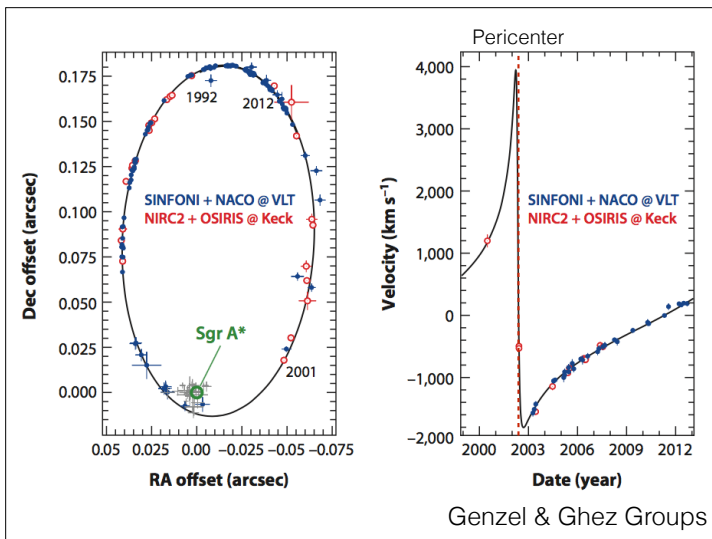
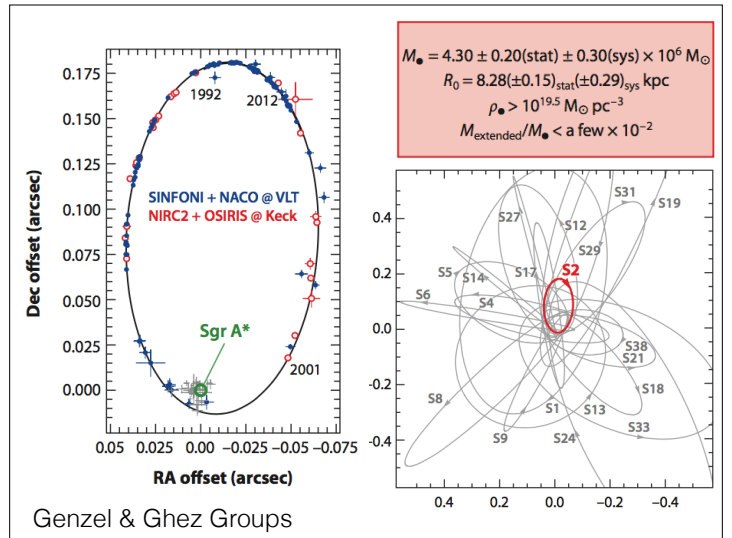
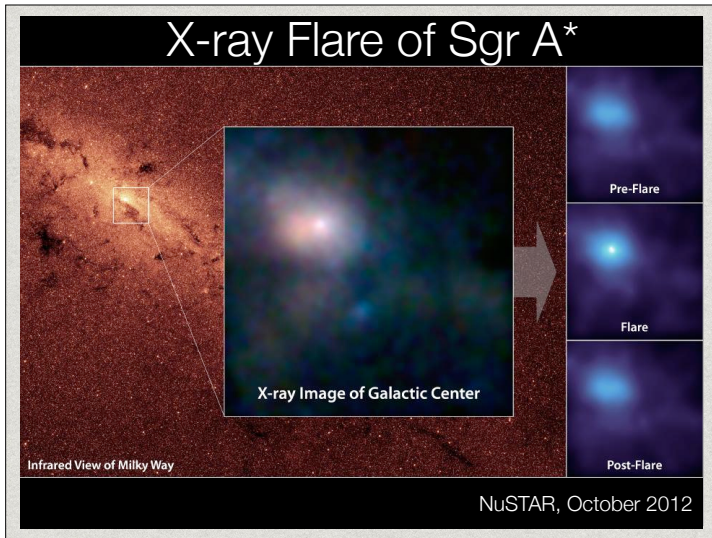
Argon+07, Moran 08



Ionized Gas Dynamics



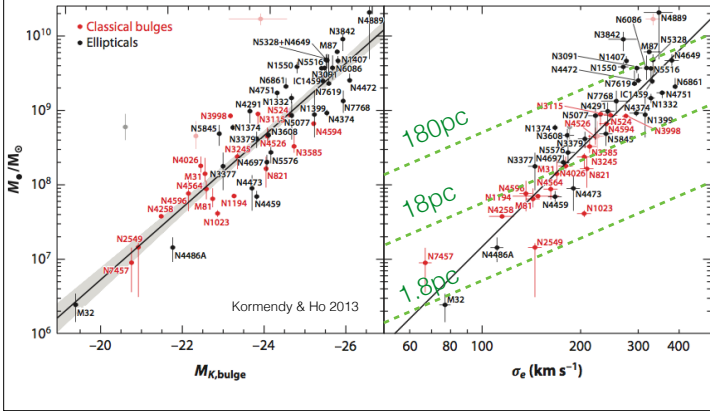
NGC 4374
D = 17 Mpc
HST/STIS
Walsh+2010



GALAXY SAMPLE					
Galaxy (1)	Type (2)	M _{bh} (Low, High) (3)	sigma (4)	Distance (5)	References (6)
Stellar Dynamical Estimates					
Milky Way	Sbc; P	2.6 x 10 ⁶ (2.4, 2.8)	75	0.008	1
M31	Sb; P	3.5 x 10 ⁶ (1.0, 6.0)	160	0.8	2, 3
M32	E2; P	3.7 x 10 ⁶ (2.4, 4.4)	75	0.8	3, 4
NGC 821	E4; P	5.0 x 10 ⁶ (3.0, 7.0)	209	24.1	5
NGC 1023	S0; P	3.9 x 10 ⁶ (2.8, 4.8)	205	11.4	6
NGC 2778	E2; P	2.0 x 10 ⁶ (0.7, 3.6)	175	22.9	5
NGC 3377	E5; P	1.0 x 10 ⁶ (0.6, 2.5)	145	11.2	5, 7
NGC 3379	E1; C	1.0 x 10 ⁶ (0.5, 1.6)	206	10.4	8
NGC 3384	S0; P	1.8 x 10 ⁶ (0.9, 2.5)	143	11.6	5
NGC 3608	E2; C	1.1 x 10 ⁶ (0.8, 2.5)	182	23.0	5
NGC 4291	E2; C	1.5 x 10 ⁶ (0.8, 4.5)	242	26.2	5
NGC 4342	S0; P	3.0 x 10 ⁶ (2.0, 4.7)	225	15.3	9
NGC 4473	E5; C	1.0 x 10 ⁶ (0.4, 1.8)	190	15.7	5
NGC 4564	E3; P	5.7 x 10 ⁶ (4.0, 7.0)	162	15.0	5
NGC 4649	E1; C	2.0 x 10 ⁶ (1.0, 2.5)	375	16.8	5
NGC 4697	E4; P	1.2 x 10 ⁶ (0.8, 1.3)	177	11.7	5
NGC 5845	E; P	3.2 x 10 ⁶ (2.5, 5.0)	234	25.9	5
NGC 7457	S0; P	3.4 x 10 ⁶ (1.7, 6.0)	67	13.2	5
Gasdynamical Estimates					
M87	E0; C	2.5 x 10 ⁸ (1.8, 3.2)	375	16.1	10, 11
NGC 4261	E2; C	5.4 x 10 ⁶ (4.3, 6.3)	315	31.6	12, 13
NGC 4374	E1; C	1.8 x 10 ⁶ (0.9, 2.8)	296	18.4	14
NGC 6251	E2; C	6.0 x 10 ⁶ (2.0, 8.0)	290	106.0	15, 16
NGC 7052	E4; P	3.3 x 10 ⁶ (2.0, 5.6)	266	58.7	17
IC 1459	E3; C	3.5 x 10 ⁶ (1.4, 4.8)	323	29.2	18
Masers Dynamical Estimates					
NGC 1068	Sb; P	1.7 x 10 ⁷ (1.0, 3.0)	151	15.0	19, 20
NGC 4258	Sbc; P	4.2 x 10 ⁷ (4.0, 4.4)	120	7.2	21, 22

BH Mass-Stellar Bulge Scaling Relations

$$\frac{M_{\bullet}}{10^9 M_{\odot}} = (0.310^{+0.037}_{-0.033}) \left(\frac{\sigma}{200 \text{ km s}^{-1}} \right)^{4.38 \pm 0.29}$$



M_{BH}-M_{bulge} ratio

let's compare the total amount of feedback energies from SNe and SMBHs

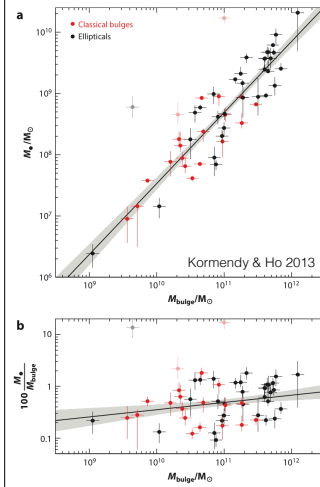
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The Origin of the M_{BH}-sigma* relation



A simple theoretical explanation: feedback from Eddington limited BH growth

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BLACK HOLES, GALAXY FORMATION, AND THE M_{BH}-σ RELATION

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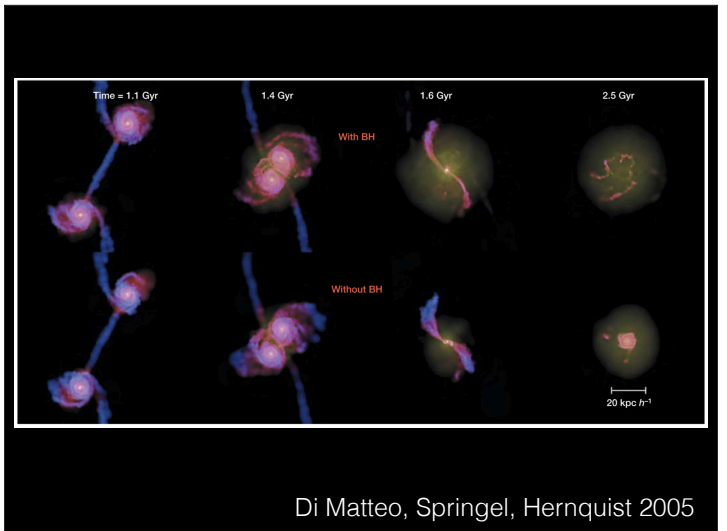
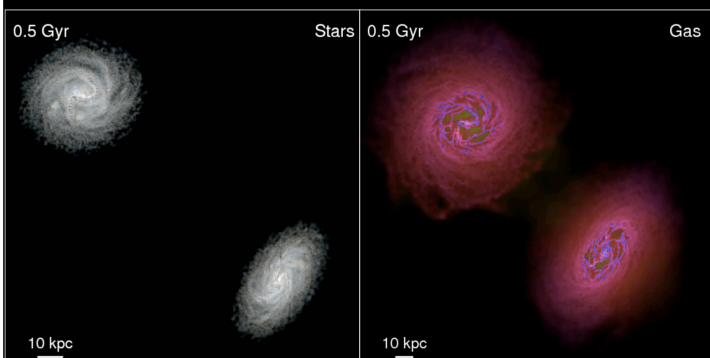
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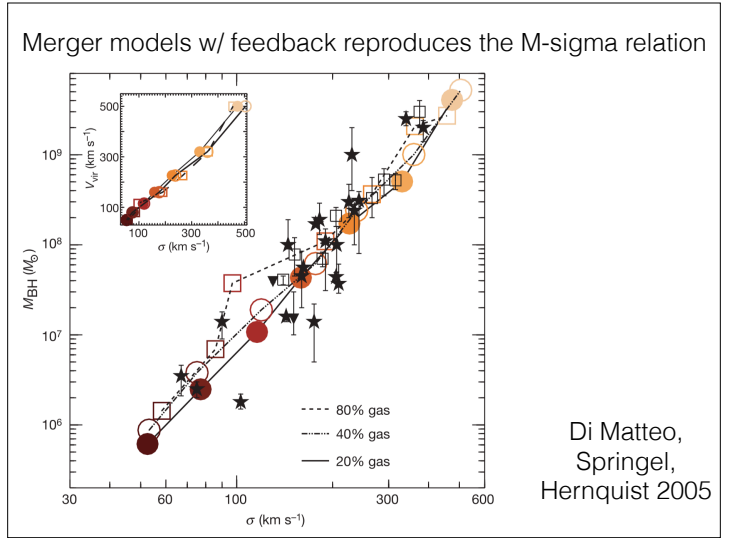
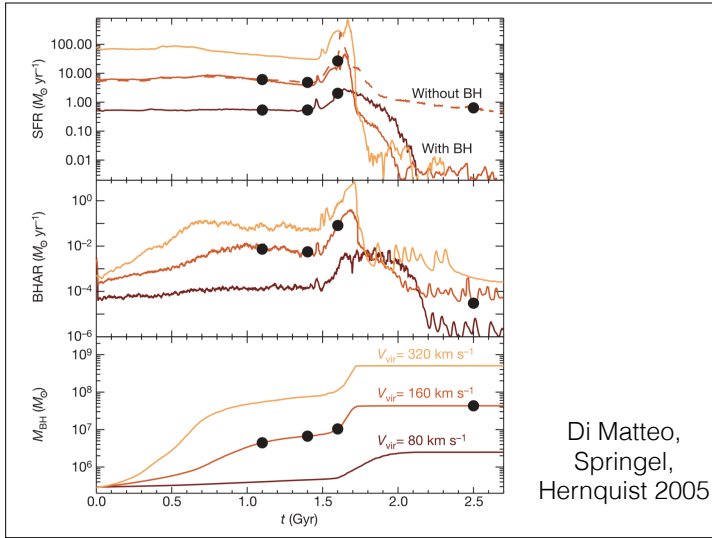
Recent X-ray observations of intense high-speed outflows in quasars suggest that supercritical accretion on to the central black hole may have an important effect on a host galaxy. I revisit some ideas of Silk & Rees and assume that such flows occur in the final stages of building up the black hole mass. It is now possible to model explicitly the interaction between the outflow and the host galaxy. This is found to resemble a momentum-driven stellar wind bubble, implying a relation $M_{\text{BH}} = (f_{\text{e}} \kappa / 2\pi G^2) \sigma^4 = 1.5 \times 10^9 f_{\text{e}} \kappa \sigma_{\text{bul}}^4 M_{\odot}$ between black hole mass and bulge velocity dispersion (where f_{e} = gas fraction of total matter density, κ = electron scattering opacity), without free parameters. This is remarkably close to the observed relation in both slope and normalization. This result suggests that the central black holes in galaxies gain most of their mass in phases of super-Eddington accretion, which are presumably obscured or at high redshift. Observed super-Eddington quasars are apparently late in growing their black hole masses.

Subject headings: accretion, accretion disks — black hole physics — galaxies: formation — galaxies: nuclei — quasars: general

Simulation: BH feedback from intense accretion (triggered by a gas-rich merger)

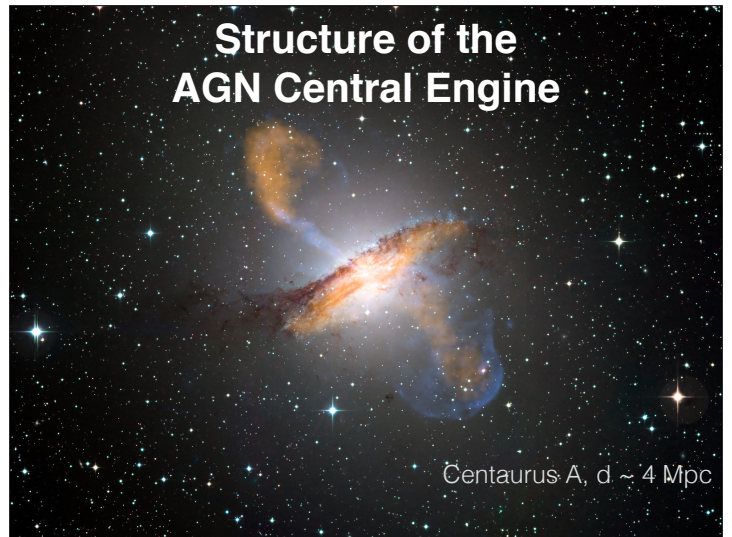


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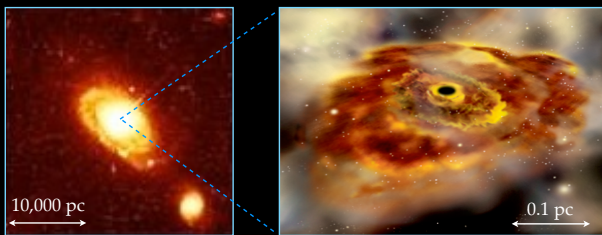


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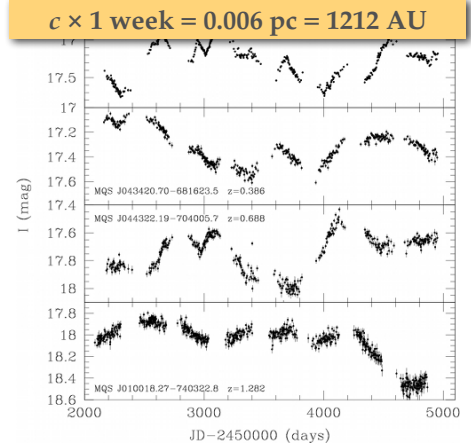


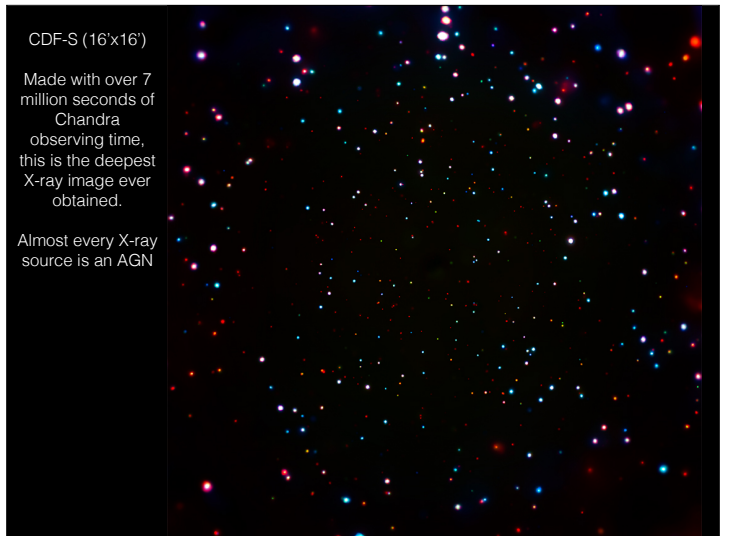
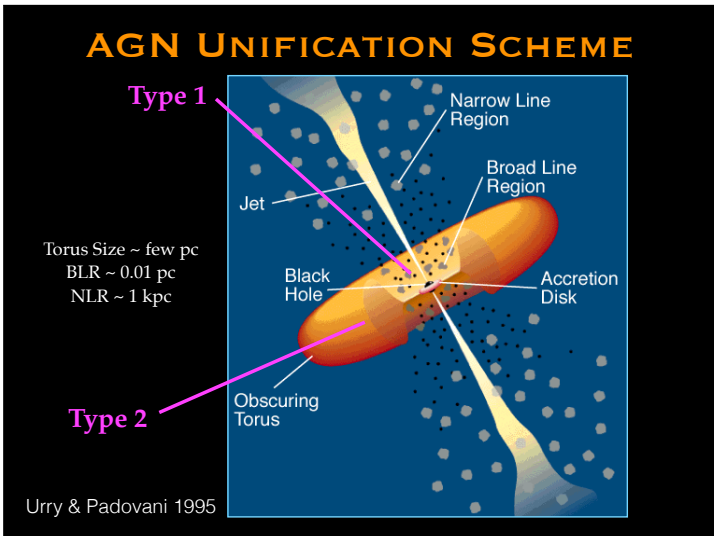
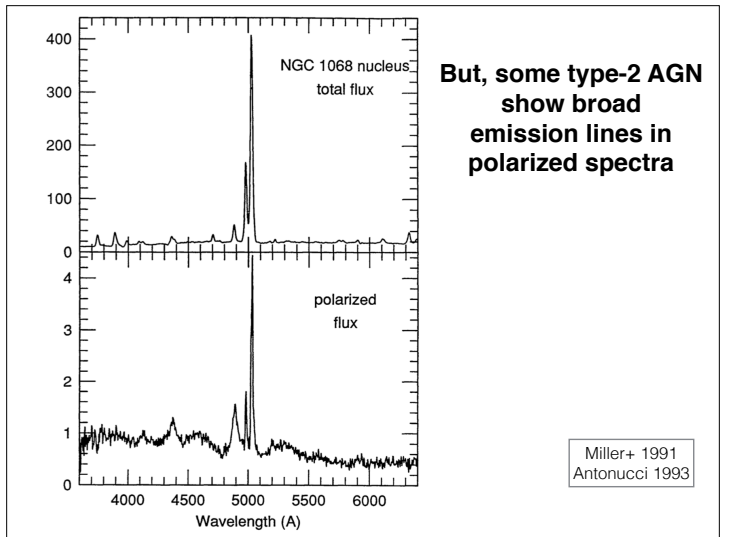
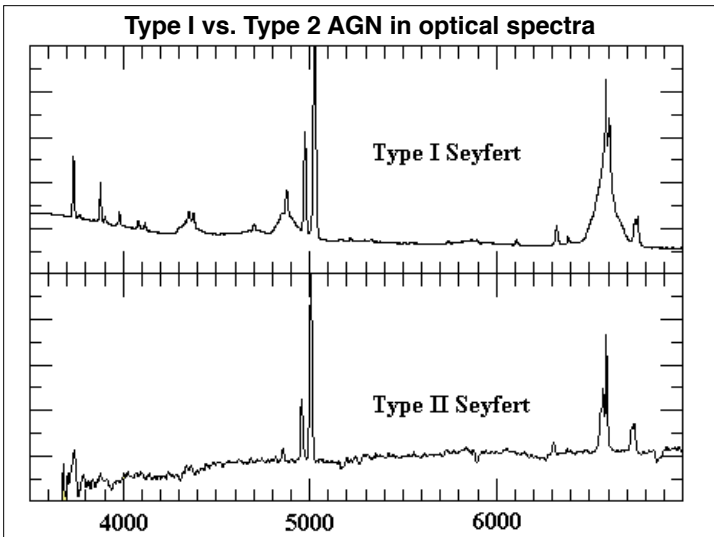
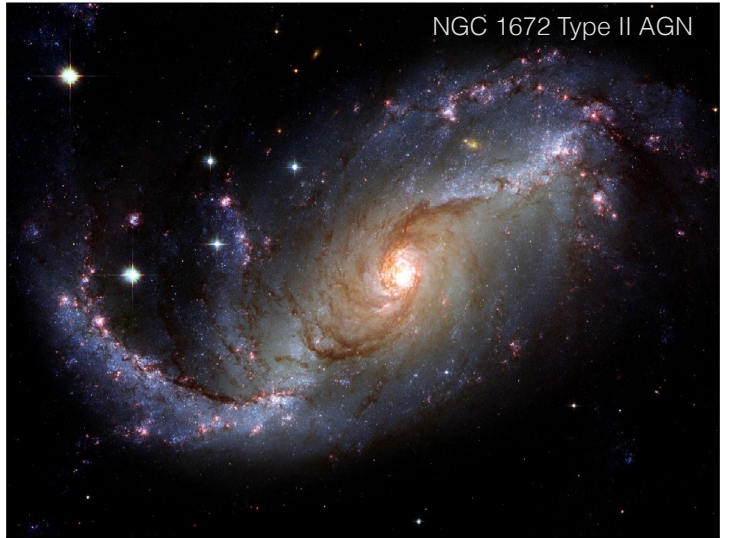
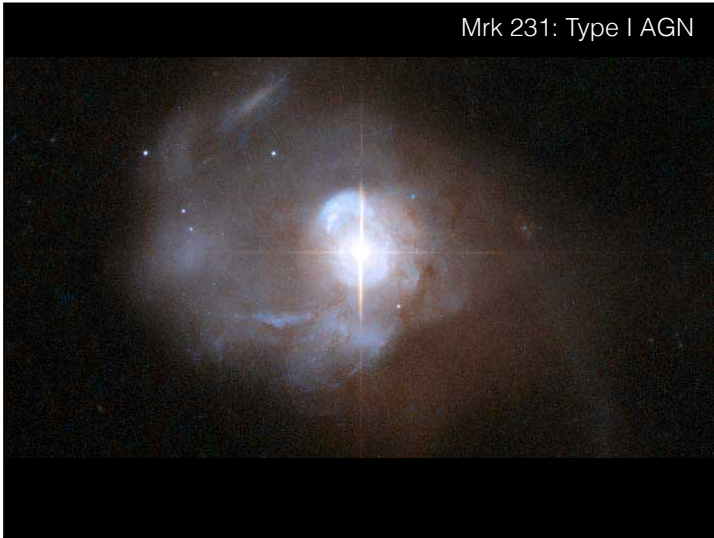
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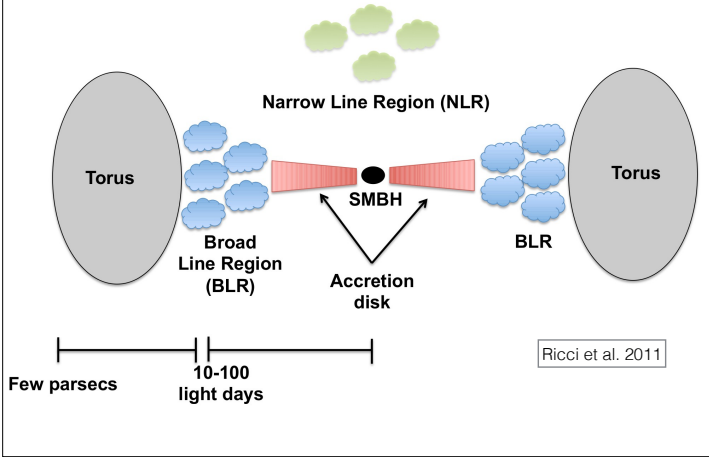
Hoyle et al (1964), Lynden-Bell (1969)

Quasar Light Curves: Rapid Variations

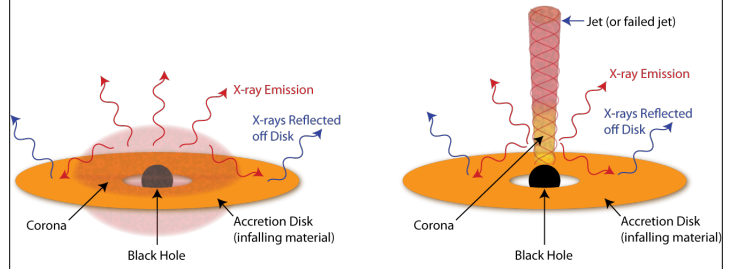




Where does the ubiquitous X-ray emission come from?

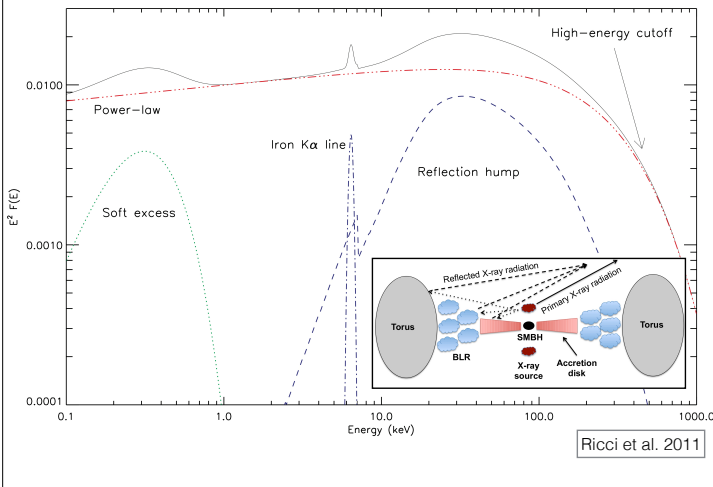


X-ray emission originates from inverse-Compton scattering of UV/Optical photons from the accretion disk by relativistic electrons in a hot "corona"

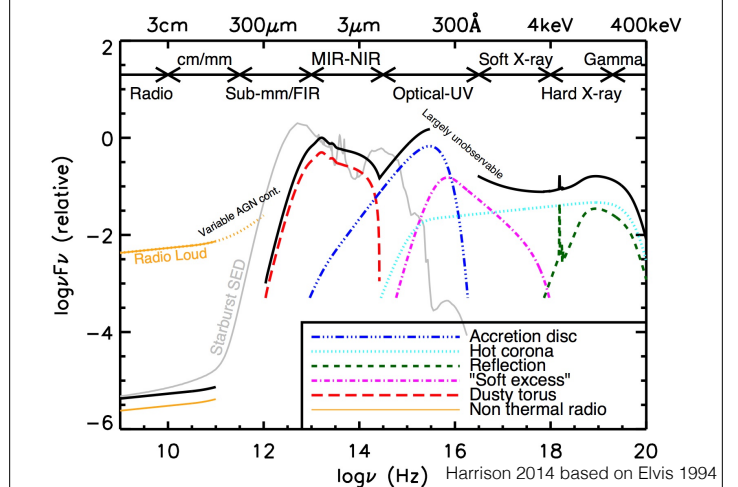


Corona is likely heated by the reconnection of the magnetic fields generated by buoyancy instability in the accretion disc.

AGN X-ray Emission from X-ray Corona & Reflection

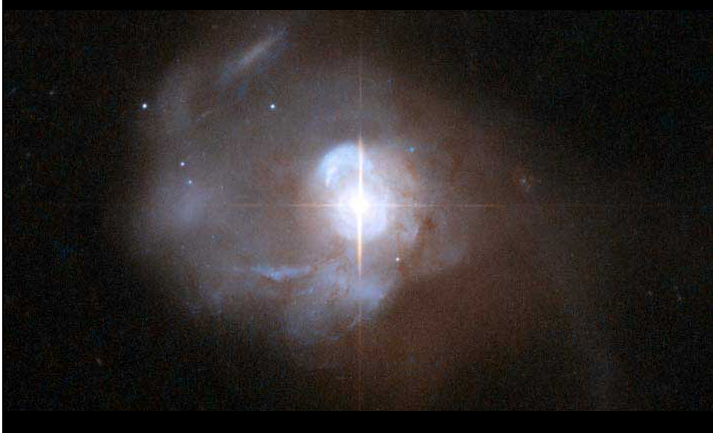


Various components of the AGN Spectral Energy Distribution



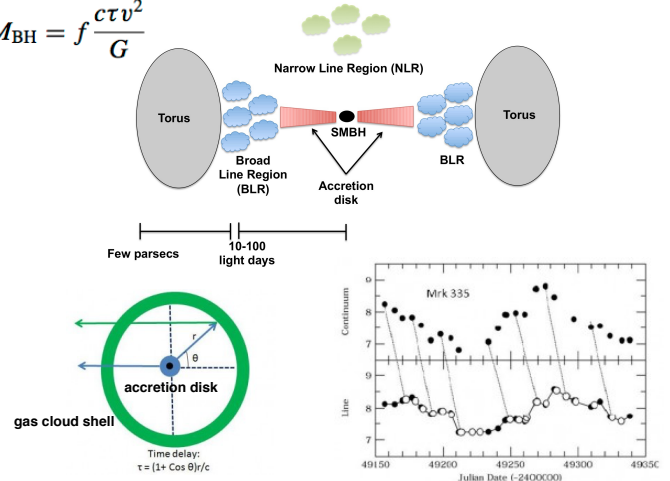
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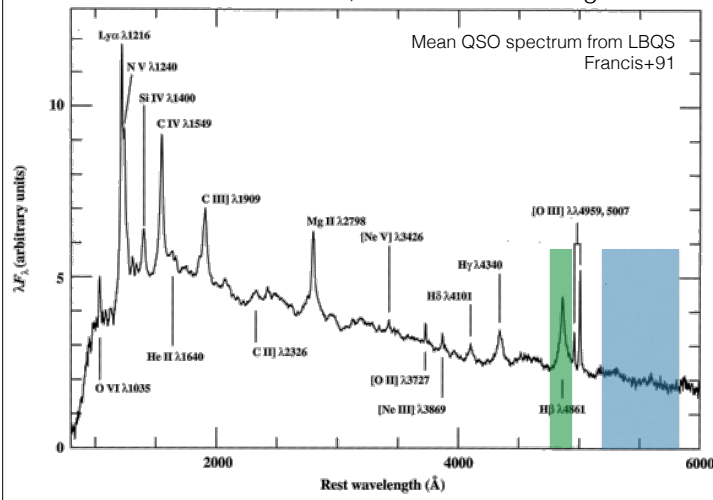


Reverberation Mapping Method

$$M_{\text{BH}} = f \frac{c \tau v^2}{G}$$

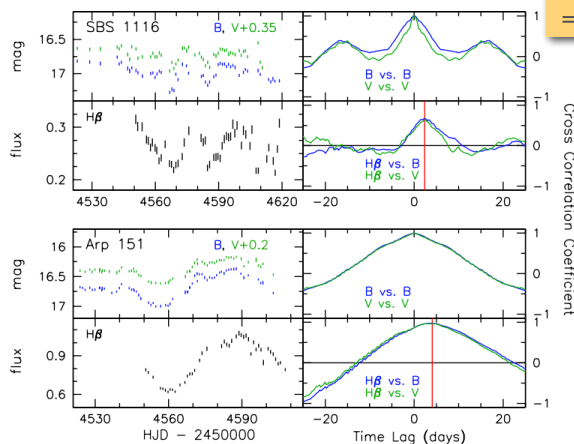


Continuum from accretion disk, emission lines from gas around



Continuum vs. Line Light Curves
luminosity-weighted time lags

1 light week
= 0.006 pc
= 1212 AU



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Constrain the virial coefficient

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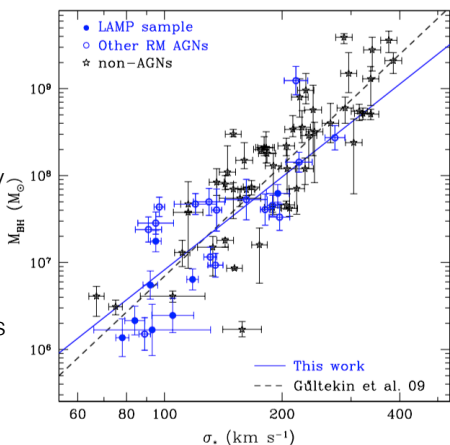
f : virial coefficient

Sample: 24 nearby broad-line AGNs

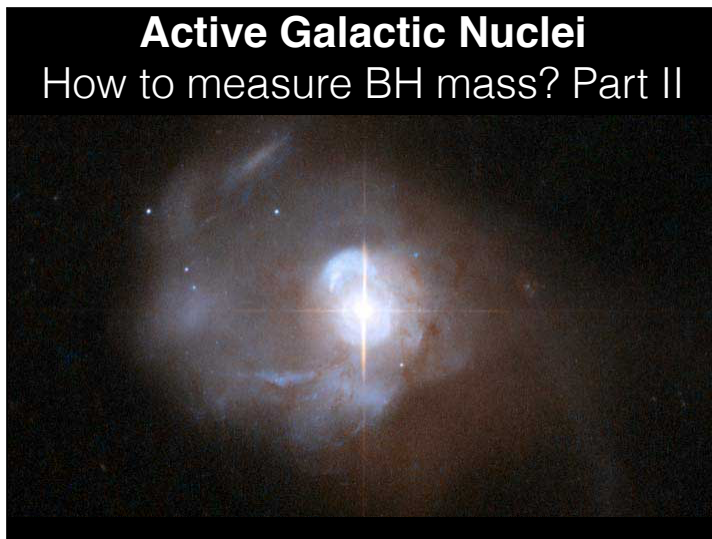
By matching the M-sigma relation of inactive galaxies

$f = 5.2$

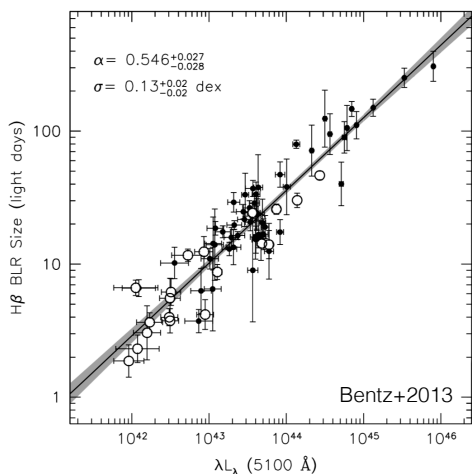
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With the size-luminosity relation, one can estimate BH mass without



$$M_{\text{BH}} = f \frac{c\tau v^2}{G}$$

BH mass from **single-epoch** spectroscopy
(Vestergaard & Peterson 2006)

$$\log M_{\text{BH}}(H\beta) = \log \left\{ \left[\frac{\text{FWHM}(H\beta)}{1000 \text{ km s}^{-1}} \right]^2 \left[\frac{\lambda L_{\lambda}(5100 \text{ \AA})}{10^{44} \text{ ergs s}^{-1}} \right]^{0.50} \right\} + (6.91 \pm 0.02). \quad (5)$$

$$\log \left(\frac{M_{\text{BH}}}{M_{\odot}} \right) = 6.66 + 0.53 \log \left(\frac{L_{1350}}{10^{44} \text{ erg s}^{-1}} \right) + 2 \log \left(\frac{\text{FWHM}_{\text{CIV}}}{10^3 \text{ km s}^{-1}} \right).$$

Summary

- **Measuring the mass of SMBHs in normal galaxies**
 - resolving the gravitational sphere of influence
 - enabled by AO and HST observations (1989)
 - $M_{\text{BH}}\text{-}\sigma^*$ relation (2000)
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