Feeding and Feedback in nearby AGN: From Cycle 0 to Cycle 2

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- AGN Fueling: Open Problem
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- ALMA Cycle 0 Results: NGC 1433, NGC 1566, (NGC 1068)
- Waiting for new ALMA results: NGC 1068, Mrk 590

AGN fueling: Open Problem

- Content, distribution, and kinematics of interstellar gas: fundamental for origin and maintenance of galaxy nuclear activity
- Molecular gas: dominant phase in galaxy nuclei
- mm-interferometers: sharp view of distribution and kinematics of molecular gas (mainly CO)
- Open problem: Removal of the angular momentum from the disk gas and driving infall down to scales of tens of pc (e.g., Garcia-Burillo 05; Haan et al. 2009; Medit et al. 2013)



AGN fueling: Previous studies

NUGA: NUclei of GAlaxies

A CO IRAM PdBI+30m survey of 25 nearby low-luminosity active galactic nuclei (AGN: Seyfert/Liner galaxies). Spatial resolution: 50 - 100 pc

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- 1. <u>Variety of CO morphologies</u> in the central region of AGN
- 2. <u>The molecular gas is frequently stalled in rings</u>: Gravity torque barriers
- 3. <u>Gas inflow</u>, assumed ubiquitous in simulations, is seen <u>only in 1/3rd of cases</u>

IRAM observations have insufficient resolution to probe the gas within ~50 pc of the AGN.

AGN fueling with ALMA

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ALMA Cycle 0 has already offered the opportunity, FOR THE FIRST TIME, to examine the ultimate contenders of nuclear gas fueling improving spatial resolution by a factor 5 and sensitivity by a factor 2 with respect to our previous results on NUGA



NUGASOUTH

Two Targets selected among barred spiral nearby southern AGN with existing wealth of data and CO detection:

NGC 1433 (Seyfert 2) and NGC 1566 (Seyfert 1)



Both at D~10 Mpc with embedded bars



NUGA SOUTH: Observations @ ALMA Cycle O

We proposed to map the morphology and kinematics of the cold dense gas in two Seyfert nuclei, at the unprecedented spatial resolution.

- To map the CO(3-2) (high density gas, 10⁴ 10⁵ cm⁻³) line in both galaxies, simultaneously with HCN(4-3) and HCO⁺(4-3) (densest clumps, excitation and chemistry)
- Extended Configuration (baselines: 17 400 m), Band 7 (275 373 GHz)
- Angular resolution ~0.5" (~25 pc), Spectral resolution ~ 0.4 km/s
- One single pointing per galaxy (FOV = 18" <1 kpc)</p>
- ~2 hrs of integration time for each galaxy
- To map continuum emission @ 0.87 mm

NCG 1433: Gas Distribution

CO(3-2) distribution



A nuclear gaseous spiral structure with multiple branches

A pseudo-ring, r = 4'' (200 pc)

Asymmetries: peak not in the center, but in a NE cloud complex

$$\square$$ M(H₂) ~ 5 x 10['] M _{\odot}

Only upper limits for HCN(4-3) and HCO⁺(4-3): low abundance of very dense gas

Combes, García-Burillo, Casasola, Hunt, et al. 2013



NCG 1433: Continuum Emission

Continuum emission @ 0.87 mm + CO(3-2) contours



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Detection ($\sim 3\sigma$) only at the very center (peak $\sim 0.5 \text{ mJy}$)

Tts origin: likely thermal dust

Only high-resolution observations with <u>ALMA</u> at several frequencies would be able to settle the origin of the continuum emission and determine whether the AGN is directly detected.



Combes, García-Burillo, Casasola, Hunt, et al. 2013

NCG 1433: CO Kinematics





- The velocity field is well described by rotation
- A high-velocity red-shifted (of 200 km/s) perturbation, in the center
- A high-velocity blue-shifted counterpart, at 2" (~100 pc) from the center

 $\Delta \alpha (arcsec)$ Combes, Garcia-Burillo, Casasola, Hunt, + 2013



NCG 1566: Gas Distribution





NCG 1566: Continuum Emission

Continuum emission @ 0.87 mm + CO(3-2) contours



RA Combes, García-Burillo, Casasola, Hunt, et al. 2014



HCO⁺/HCN ~ 3: excitation dominated by star formation, not the AGN (e.g., Kohno et al. 03, Krips et al. 08, Garcia-Burillo et al. 10, Imanishi & Nakanishi et al. 13)

NGC 1068: ALMA Cycle O

NGC 1068: a prototypical nearby Seyfert 2 galaxy



García-Burillo, et al. 2014, see also Viti et al. 2014

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Waitinig for Cycle 2 results

NGC 1068 (II): to study the signature of gas inflow closer to the nucleus (0.1" ~ 10 pc), and to spatially resolve the emission of the torus (P.I.: S. García-Burillo, + NUGA team, and many others)

PI: Vestergaard + Koay, Casasola, Peterson Markarían 590: ALMA Cycle 2

Mrk 590: A Seyfert galaxy in transition



- Mrk 590, classified as Seyfert 1 by Weedman (1977) over ~30 years
- 1990s: broad Hβ emission line and powerlaw continuum from nuclear region (Peterson+1998)
- 2006 2012: the broad HB emission line of Mrk 590 has completed disappeared!
- The optical-UV continuum emission can be fully accounted for by stellar population models of the host galaxy (Denney+2014)
- Mrk 590 would now as a Seyfert 1.9 or 2, against the scheme of AGN classification and unification

Markarían 590: ALMA Cycle 2

Is Mrk 590 running out of gas?

- This type-transition could be caused by a lack of nuclear gas to fuel the central engine
- If gas in the very center is not replenished feeding, the accretion activity ceases, and the BH is starved and turns quiescent
- ALMA: To determine the amount of available nuclear gas and its properties

Markarían 590: ALMA Cycle 2

Is Mrk 590 running out of gas?



- M(H₂) ~ 4.5 x 10⁷ M_☉ in the inner ring, consistent with molecular gas mass found in nearby Seyfert nuclei
- Working in progress: behavior of the detected gas,

Koay, Casasola, Vestergaard, Peterson, in preparation

Conclusions

- NGC 1433: Gas fueling, a tentative AGN-driven outflow, no dense gas (Combes et al. 2013)
- NGC 1566: Gas fueling, No outflow, dense gas (Combes et al. 2014)
- NGC 1068: Gas fueling, an AGN-driven outflow in several dense gas tracers (García-Burillo et al. 2014; Viti et al. 2014)
- Waiting for Cycle 2 results for NGC 1068 and Mrk 590

See also NGC 1097: (Martin et al. 2014), and others

NGC 1433: ALMA + HST

Waiting for Cycle 3!

