Ultra-fast outflows (aka UFOs) in AGNs and their relevance for feedback



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Outline

- 1. Framework/importance A brief recall on context, AGN feedback and outflows/winds
- 2. From the "classic" X-ray view of winds/outflows to the "new" X-ray view Warm Absorbers (WAs) → Ultra-Fast Outflows (UFOs) Impact of UFOs
- 3. Understanding UFOs...and future... comparison with WAs comparison with molecular outflows comparison with binaries/microquasars

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Framework: Co-evolution of galaxies

In last 2 decades: somewhat unexpected "revolution" in extragal. astrophysics: not only most (all?) galaxies

have SMBHs (MDOs) in their centers, these also correlate with bulge properties



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INWARD BOUND—THE SEARCH FOR SUPERMASSIVE BLACK HOLES IN GALACTIC NUCLEI

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A statistical survey finds BHs in $\sim 20\%$ of nearby E–Sbc galaxies, consistent with predictions based on quasar energetics. BH masses are proportional to the mass of the bulge component. Most candidates are inactive; in some cases, the abundance of fuel is not easily reconciled with BH starvation. Elashes caused by the

Kormendy & Richstone, 1995, ARA&A

Framework: Feedback in the co-evolution of galaxies

 \rightarrow evidence for feedback mechanism between SMBH(AGN) and its' host galaxy



Magorrian et al. '98

M_{bh}~ б⁴

Tremaine '02; Gebhardt '02...etc

(see e.g. King and Pounds '03, Crenshaw, Kraemer & George '03, ARA&A)

Framework: Three major feedback mechanisms between the SMBH and its environment



3. mechanical/kinetic feedback: mass outflows from wide angle, radiatively dark, massive WINDS/outflows

e.g., Silk & Rees 1998 e.g., Begelman 2003

Winds

The "classic" X-ray view: Warm Absorbers in nearby Seyferts and QSOs



components (from Optical, UV and soft X) of outflows/winds with v~100-1000 km/s

→ Typically energetically unimportant for feedback i.e. Blustin et al. 2004, but see Crenshaw & Kraemer, 2012

The "new" X-ray view: Blue-shifted absorption lines/edges – High- ξ , High-v (=UFOs)

New and unexpected results from Chandra and XMM-Newton observations

Seyfert galaxies



Pounds et al. 2003a,b Pounds & Reeves, 2009

(If) interpreted as Kα resonant absorption by Fe XXV (6.70 keV) or FeXXVI (6.96 keV)

→ massive, <u>high velocity</u> (v~0.1-0.2c) and highly ionized outflows in several RQ AGNs/QSOs Mass outflow rate: comparable to Edd. Acc. rate (~M_o/yr) Kinetic energy: ~few% of L_{bol}

QSOs



Reeves et al. 2010

Radio-galaxies (3 out of 5 of the brigthest)



Tombesi et al. 2010 Gofford et al. 2012, in prep.

The "new" X-ray view: UFOs (Ultra-Fast Outflows) confirmed and quite common

XMM-Newton sample of nearby AGNs (Seyferts)



Suzaku sample of AGNs (Sey+RGs+RQQs)



- 36 absorption lines detected in all
 104 XMM observations
- Identified with FeXXV and FeXXVI K-shell resonant absorption
- 19/44 objects with absorption lines (≈43%)
- 17/44 objects with blue-shifted absorption lines (lower limit ≈39%, can reach a maximum of ≈60%)
- 11/44 objects with outflow velocity >0.1c (≈25%)
- Blue-shift velocity distribution ~0-0.3c, peak ~0.1c
- Average outflow velocity 0.110±0.004 c

Table 5.	Outflow	velocity	comparison
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Velocity $(\rm kms^{-1})$	Suzaku	XMM-Newton
No outflow	3/20	2/19
$0 < v_{\rm out} \leqslant 10,000$	5/20	2/19
$v_{\rm out} > 10,000$	11/20	15/19
$v_{\rm out} \geqslant 30,000$	8/20	9/19

Gofford et al. 2012, in prep

The "new" X-ray view: Variable absorption lines

Absorbers variability on timescales 1000-10000s

Mrk 509 (first long-look, 200ks)



The "new" X-ray view: Variability of a few (nearby) PG QSOs

Sample: 15 UV *AL QSOs with 32 XMM exposures



on time scales of years







on time scales of months



on time scales of hours

Giustini, MC, et al. 2012a, 2012b in prep.

Main interpretations: Three (main) AGN wind dynamical models



ii) Radiatively-driven wind from accretion disk region of hitchhiking gas X-ray source black hole accretion disk wind streamlines Murray et al. '95, Proga et al. '00 ...and/or... iii) Magnetically driven winds from accretion disk EMMERING, BLANDFORD, & SHLOSMAN Black Clumpy. Outer Disk ed Inner Dis Elect Scatterin

Emmering, Blandford & Shlosman, '92; Kato et al. '03

UFOs/outflows/winds in AGNs & QSOs: A (possible) model

In fact, one expects (mostly/only) strong Fe line absorptions when accounting for proper wind geometries and physics



Sim et al., '08, '10ab



Fukumura, et al. 2010 Kazanas et al. 2012

The "new" X-ray view: UFOs compared with WAs...



 → UFOs = momentum-driven winds and/or MHD winds ?!
 (on-going comparison with King et al. and Fukumura et al.)

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Tombesi et al., 2012, In prep.

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log(r/r_s)

→ UFOs kinetic energy >1% of Lbol
 → Feedback effective!

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 $\log(L_{bol})$

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Tombesi, MC et al., 2012b

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The "new" X-ray view: Location and energetics of UFOs (and non-UFOs)



UFOs compared/relate to high-v absorbers in high-z QSOs?



Chartas et al. 2009

V_{out}~0.2-0.76 c

(z=2.73) high-z RQ (NAL) QSO HS1700+6416



Lanzuisi et al., '12, arxiv:1205.6587

HS1700: The 4° high-z QSO to show variable, high-v, high-Xi absorbers, but the 1° non-lensed

N.B.: Would be nice also to confirm it via longer XMM observations....

UFOs compared/relate to colder molecular/gas outflows??



 $M_{out} > 3500 M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1}$; and Quasar driven outflow (not SB)

Z=6.42 guasar

V~250 km/s





Feruglio et al. 2010

UFOs compared/relate to binaries winds and jets??



H1743-322 disk-wind detected in soft, disc-dominated state





FeXXV and FeXXVI are variable, and have V_{out} ~300-670 km/s

Miller et al., 2006, 2012

UFOs compared/relate to microquasars??



The disappearance of the inner accretion disk (marked by the X-ray dip 7 min after the start of the set of observations shown in here), coincides with the beginning of the ejection of a relativistic plasma cloud (marked by the start of the infrared flare). As the ejected cloud expands it becomes transparent to radio waves, with a peak radio-wave flux that is delayed by 15 min relative to the infrared peak. The absence of X-ray data after 29 min is due to occultation of the source by the Earth.

Mirabel and Rodriguez, 1998, Nature



Conclusions

- General framework/importance
 - ⇒ Recognized need for AGN feedback mechanism
- The "classic" X-ray view of winds/outflows ⇒ Optical/UV/WAs in AGNs and QSOs frequent but mostly insufficient to be energetically relevant for feedback
- The "new" X-ray view of winds/outflows ⇒ UFOs in AGNs likely frequent AND significant ⇒ UFOs in QSOs at z~2 **may** be frequent and significant too (TBD)
- Critical/remaining open Issues for UFOs/winds
 - \Rightarrow Filling factor in AGNs ?
 - \Rightarrow Covering & filling factor in high-z QSOs ?
 - \Rightarrow Acceleration mechanism?
 - ⇒ Relation with WAs, molecular outflows, winds in binaries, jet formation?

Future

Near-Future: Astro-H Far-future: ????



Thank you very much for your attention

