Molecular torus in the radio galaxy NGC 1052

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Mass accretion in AGN



Artist's impression from NASA site

- Energy source $L = \eta \dot{M} c^2$
- Evolution of SMBH

What controls the accretion rate?

Mass accretion from galactic disk into the center



The Transition Region between SMBH gravisphere (a.k.a. Sol) and galactic disk

- M(R) ~ M_{BH}
- 1 pc < R < 10 pc
- Change in the rotation curve
- Change in the rotation axis

What is happening in the transition region (edge of Sol)?

- ~ 0.1 arcsec in nearby AGNs
- VLBI resolution is crucial.
- Now ALMA is accessible there!

Radius [pc] ALMA EA Science Workshp 2017 in Daejeon, Seiji Kameno : Molecular torus in the radio galaxy NGC 1052

Parsec-scale mass accretion mechanism in AGN

Question: What is the key mechanism of angular momentum transfer?

Starburst-AGN connection

- nuclear starburst
- turbulence by supernovae



What about non-starburst AGNs?

- Turbulent gas?
- Radiation drag?
- Dynamical friction of star clusters?

ALMA observations of NGC 1097: Fathi+13, ApJL, 770, L23

ALMA observations toward NGC 1052

Good target to observe mass accretion in a molecular torus

Host galaxyE4 BT=11.41 magDistance20.3 Mpc, 1"=98 pcVelocityVsys(LSR, Radio) = 1471 km s⁻¹Radio continuum0.4 Jy@345 GHzRadio Jet $\beta = 0.25$, i=62°±10°H2O maservelocity = 1400 - 1850 km/sLine absorptionHI, OH, HCO+, HCN, COFree-free absorption

Molecular gas distribution and velocity (CO)

CO (3-2) total intensity map

CND (CircumNuclear disk) rotation

radius ~ 100 pc
rotation speed ~ 150 km s⁻¹
enclosed mass = 5x10⁸ M⊙

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Long-baseline view

NGC1052_B7C0spw0.mom0-raster

ICRS Right Ascension

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14''

High-resolution velocity field

Angular momentum plot

- Still outside of gravisphere
- Need higher resolutions!

Absorption Studies with ALMA and KVN

CO line profile toward the nucleus

Absorption features

Spectra toward the nucleus

CO, HCN, HCO+, CS, SO, and CN

- Mostly redshifted w.r.t. Vsys
- Wider than CNS
- HCN deeper than CO

$$\mathrm{EW} = \int \tau(v) \ dv = 24.4 \ \mathrm{km s^{-1}}$$

Absorption features are likely to originate in a molecular torus

Presence of vibrationally excited lines

HCN J=4-3 and HCO⁺ J=4-3

- line ratio (v=0 to v2=1) : R=0.6
- if optically thin, T_{ex} = 520 K
- IR (14 μ m) pumping from hot dust?

Sakamoto+2010, ApJL, 725, L228

Locating HCN absorption with KVN

Sawada-Satoh+2016: HCN absorption with KVN

- absorption feature toward receding jet
- clumpy, with a filling factor ~ 0.03

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Absorption features and H₂O maser

- Asymmetric profile
 - sharp red edge
- Less redshifted than H₂O maser
- Inside molecular torus?

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Summary

ALMA + KVN is the best combination to quest mass accretion in radio galaxies

- Molecular emission/absorption line with ALMA
- Locating absorbers with KVN

Discoveries from NGC 1052

- CND (radius~100 pc, Vrot ~ 150 km/s)
- Absorption by accretion matter in molecular torus
 - CO, HCN, HCO+, CS, SO, and CN
 - isotopologues : H¹³CN, HC¹⁵N
 - vib-excited HCN, HCO+
- Vertical structure of a geometrically thick torus
 - Molecular + XDR + plasma
 - Clumpy molecular clouds

