Far infrared emission lines in high redshift quasars

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Possible pathways for the formation of SMBH

(1) PopIII remnants

collapse of primordial stars

(M_{PonIII}≈100 M_{sun})

in DM minihalos

(M_{DM}≈10⁶ M_{sun})

(2) Compact nuclear star clusters

Star collisions can lead to the formation of VMSs in H₂-cooling halos (T_{vir}<10⁴ K) (3) Direct Collapse Black Holes

Primordial gas irradiated by LW radiation in atomic-cooling halos (T_{vir}>10⁴ K)

z≈20-30



z > 10



(e.g. Schneider et al. 2006; Clark et al. 2008; Devecchi et al. 2012)

Constraints on the possible pathways for the origin of SMBH seeds...



through rest frame FIR emission lines

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- Unaffected by dust extinction (r_{dust} ≤ 0.1 μm)
 Allow to detect dust obscured sources
 (e.g. Gallerani et al. 2012)

Black hole growth at early epochs may happen in dusty host galaxies (e.g. Treister et al. 2013; Valiante et al. 2014)



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- At z > 4 the [CII] emission line is redshifted into the mm



Thanks to current powerful millimeter facilities (e.g. APEX, PdBI, ALMA, NOEMA) they are considered promising tools to detect high-z star forming galaxies and characterize their ISM



The Plateau de Bure Interferometer



Technical properties:

WAVELENGTH COVERAGE $(0.8 \text{ mm} < \lambda < 3 \text{ mm})$

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ANGULAR RESOLUTION (0.35'' < R < 0.8'')

1" = 5.5 kpc @ z=6.4

Array of 6 antennas 15 m diameter → NOEMA 12 antennas (2018)

located at 2550 m altitude in the French Alps

> operated by IRAM (Grenoble)





The case of:

SDSS J1148 at z=6.4



SDSS J1148 + 5251: RECORDS HOLDER at z=6.4



-2000

-1000

0

Velocity (km/s)

1000

2000

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CO observation in J1148



The molecular gas $M_{H2} \approx 2 \times 10^{10} M_{sun}$ is enclosed within a radius $R_{H2} \approx 2.5 \text{ kpc}$

(but see also the Valiante's talk)

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Strong emission serendipitously detected in J1148



6.2σ detection

Gallerani et al. (2014)

First detection of the CO(17-16) line at high-z!



Observed COSLED in J1148



The most excited CO rotational transition ever detected in such distant galaxies

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... is perfectly consistent with the observed COSLED!

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$$M_{BH} - \sigma \qquad v_{circ} \approx 80 \ km/s \Leftrightarrow r_{vir} \approx 10 \ kpc$$

$$\int_{\lambda = 0.04}^{30 \ 20} \frac{10^{10} \ redshift}{r_{H2}} = \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{2}} r_{vir}$$

$$r_{H2} \approx 0.3 \ kpc$$
Gultekin et al. (2014)

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Undetected/obscured

 $N_{H} \ge 10^{24} \, cm^{-2}$





In X-ray observations in $z \approx 6$ quasar the typical flux detection limit of is $\approx 10^{-15}$ erg s⁻¹ cm⁻² (Shemmer et al. 2006; Page et al. 2013)

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X-ray observations of SDSS J1148 at z=6.4



Predictions for X-ray observations

$$F_X^{soft} = 7 \times 10^{-15} [erg \ s^{-1} cm^{-2}] \qquad F_X^{hard} = 3 \times 10^{-14} [erg \ s^{-1} cm^{-2}]$$

80 ks of CHANDRA observing time will be used to check our predictions

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