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Galactic Nuclei and GRAVITY+

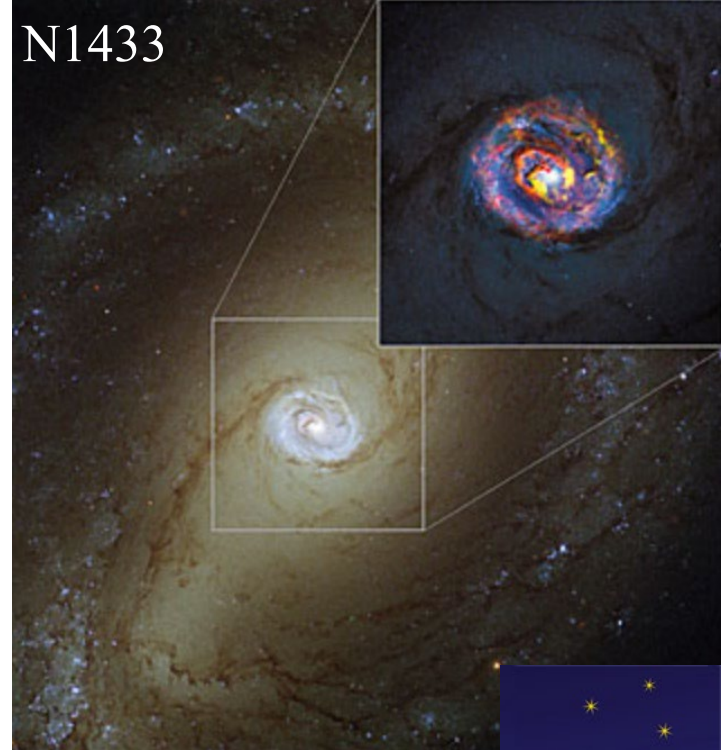
Françoise Combes



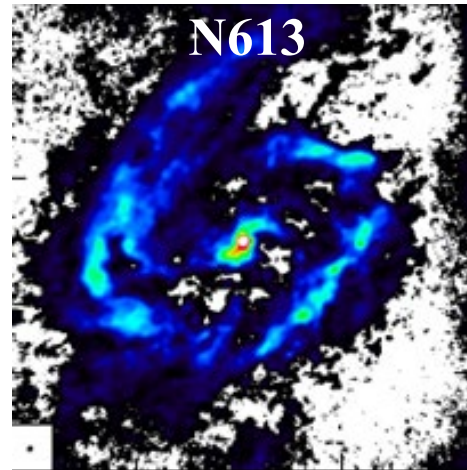
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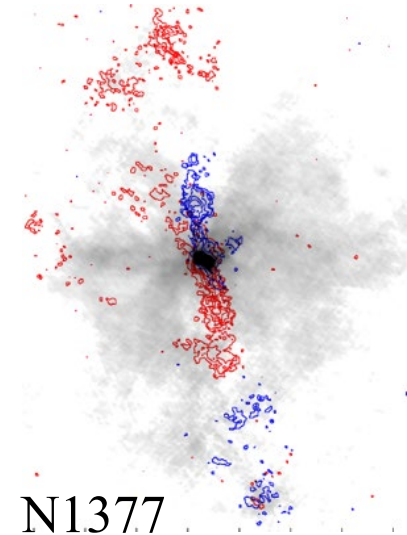
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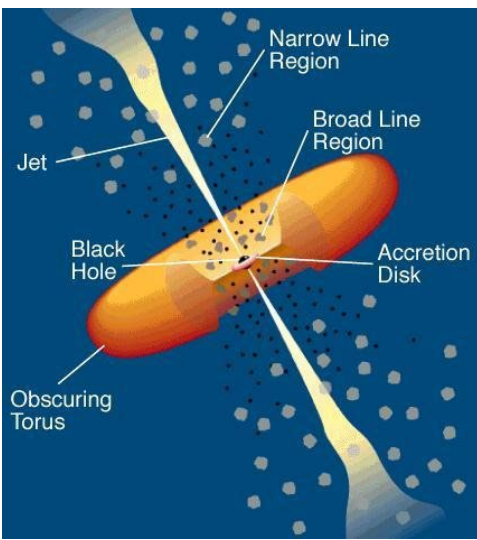


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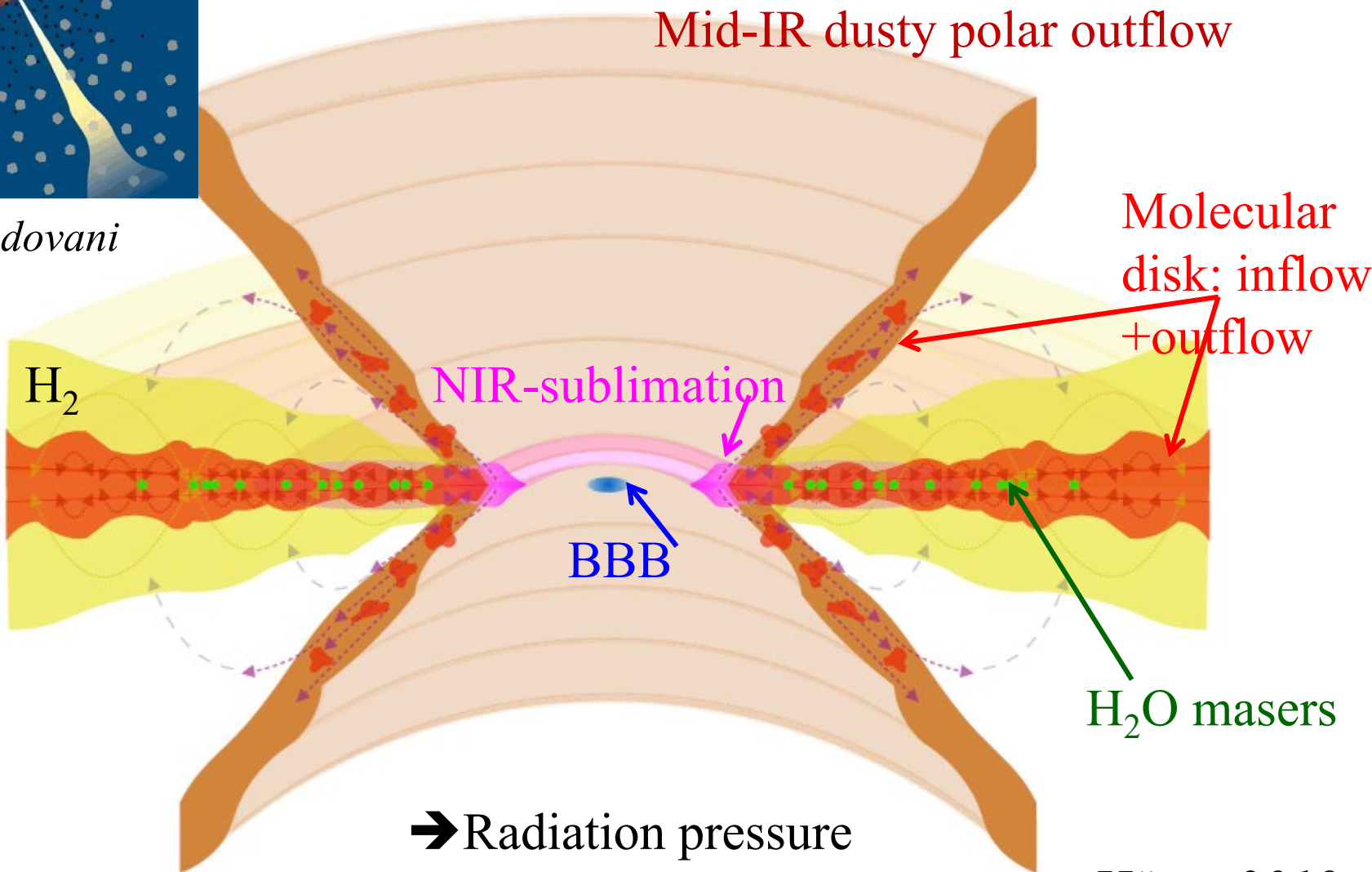




« The dusty torus »
Types 1 & 2

Schematic vision:
Inflow and outflow

Urry & Padovani
1995



Hönig 2019

Overview

Feeding the black holes

→ Dynamical features: nuclear bars & spirals

Feedback from AGN: jets, winds

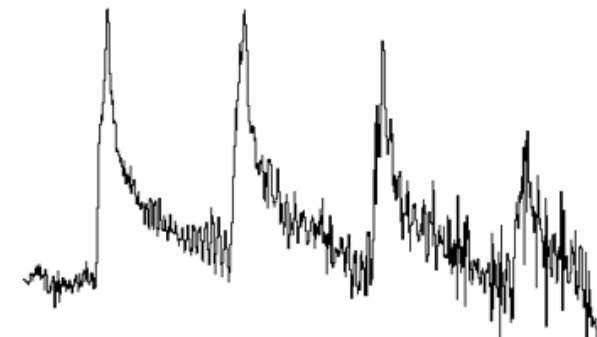
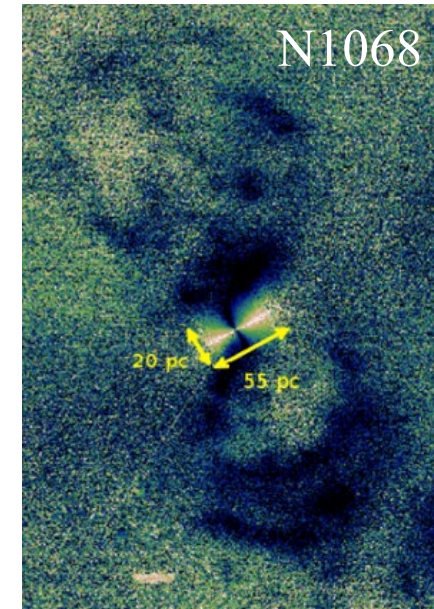
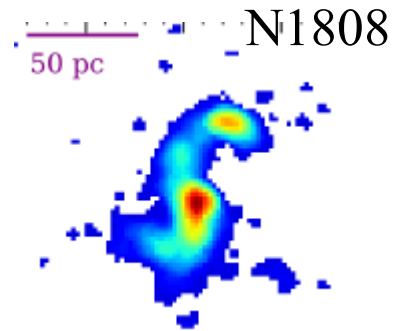
→ Molecular outflows

Molecular tori

→ Decoupled disk, random orientation

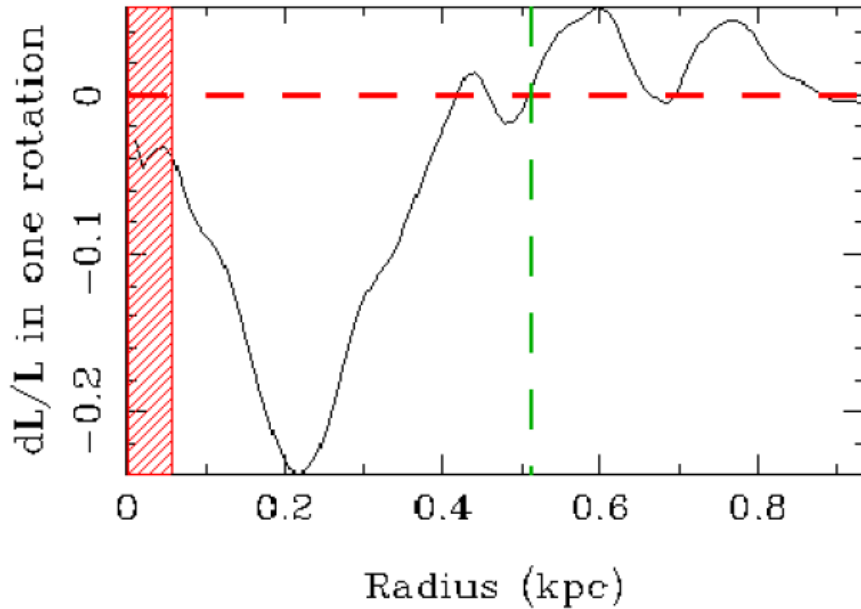
With Gravity+, BLR⁰

→ CO hot and dense, too broad? ALMA?



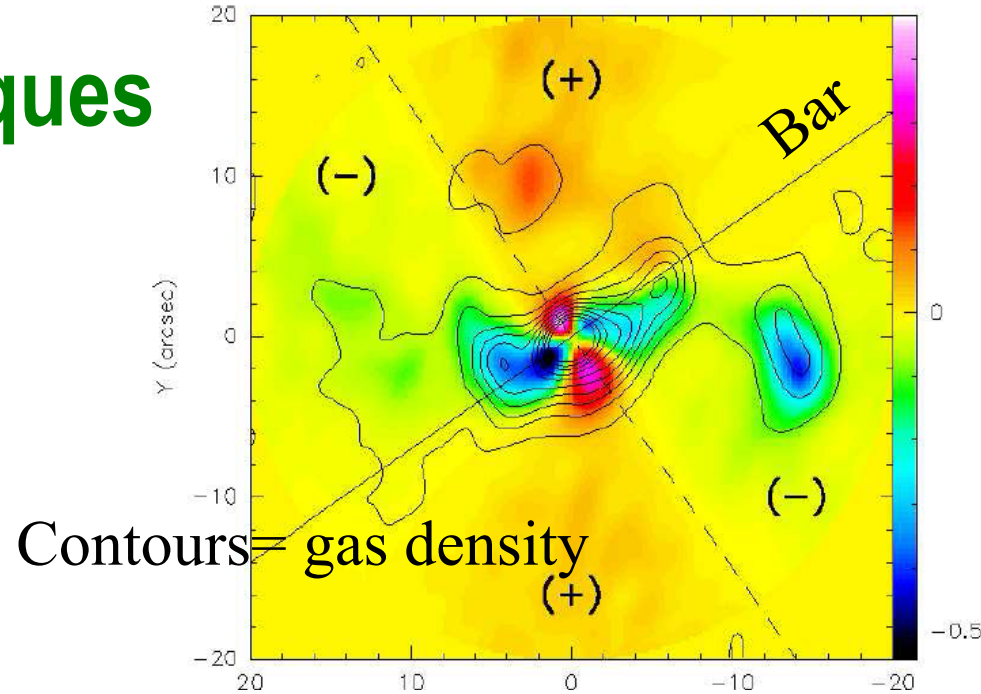
Fueling: Bar gravity torques

Torques computed from the HST red image, on the gas distribution

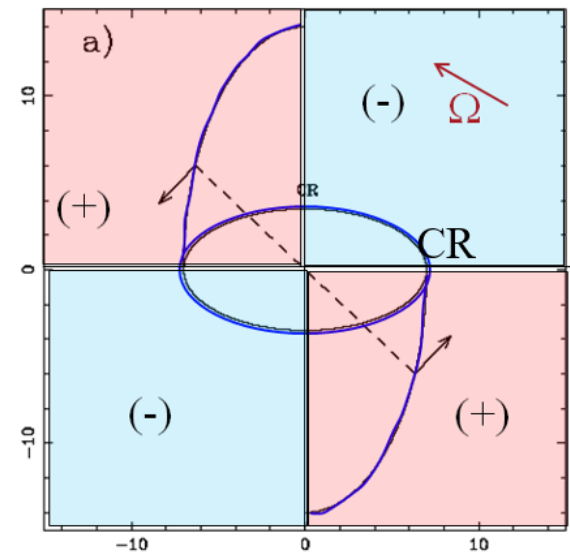


→ Only ~35% of negative torques in the center,
About 20 galaxies (Garcia-Burillo & Combes 2012)
At 10-100pc scales

→ Fueling phases ~a few 10^7 yrs

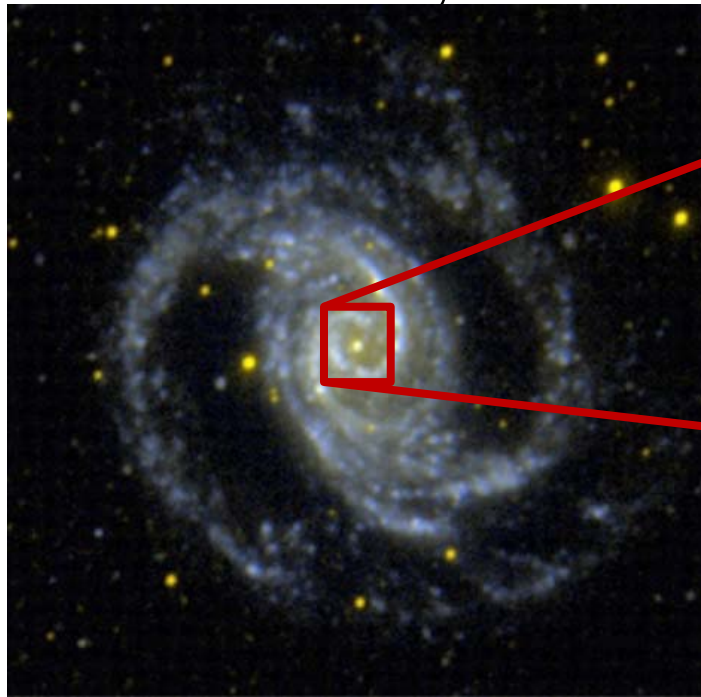


Torque map for NGC 3627
(Casasola et al 2011)



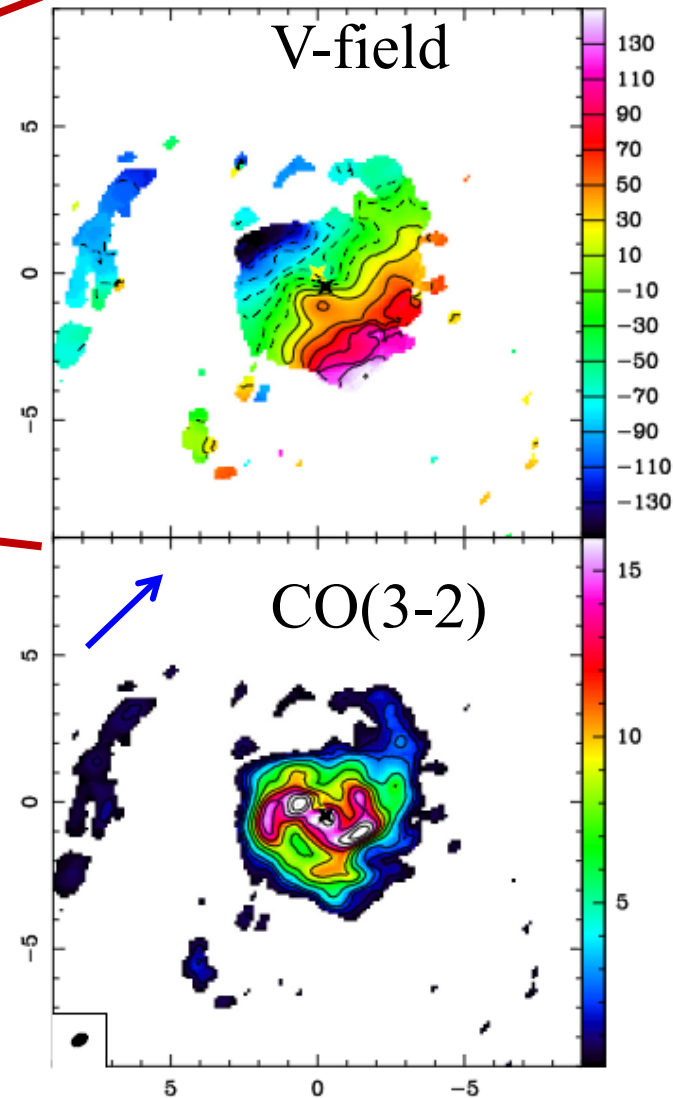
The NGC1566 barred Sy1: feeding phase

N1566 SAB Sy1



4 arcmin

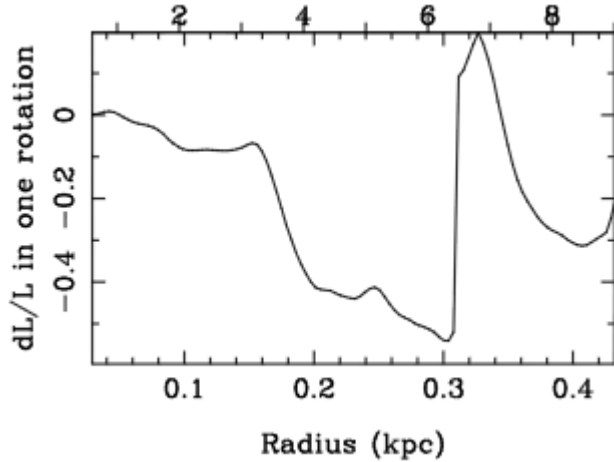
ALMA: mapping inside the nuclear ring



FOV=18''

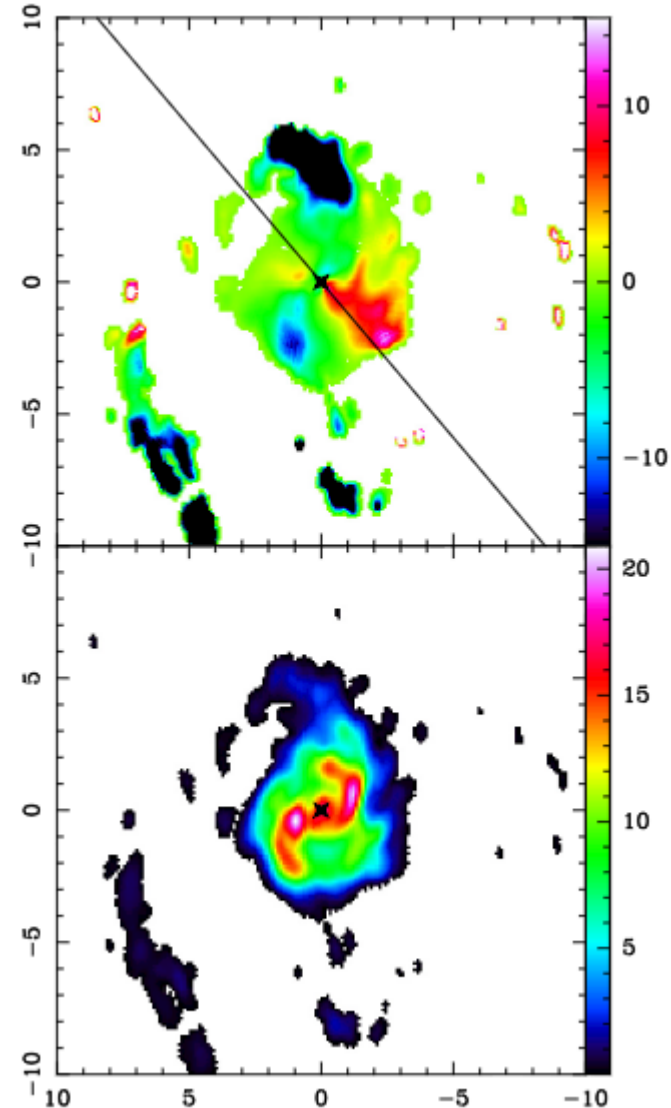
Combes et al 2014

NGC1566: gravitational torques

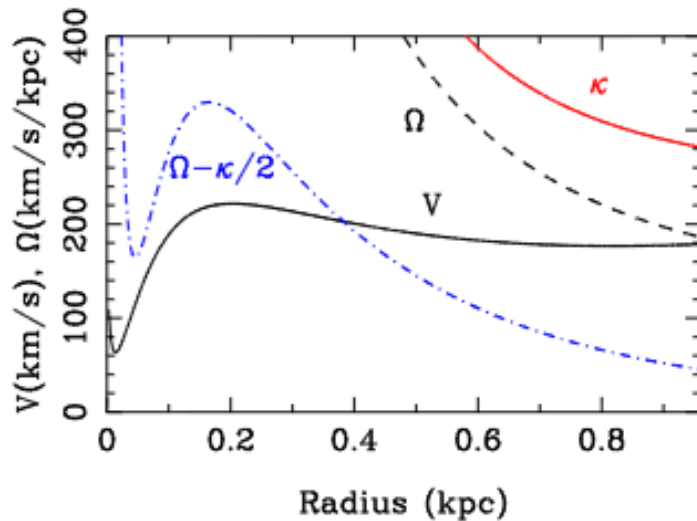


Gas is driven inwards

Torques on deprojected image



Trailing spiral inside the ILR ring of the bar
→ BH influence on the dynamics

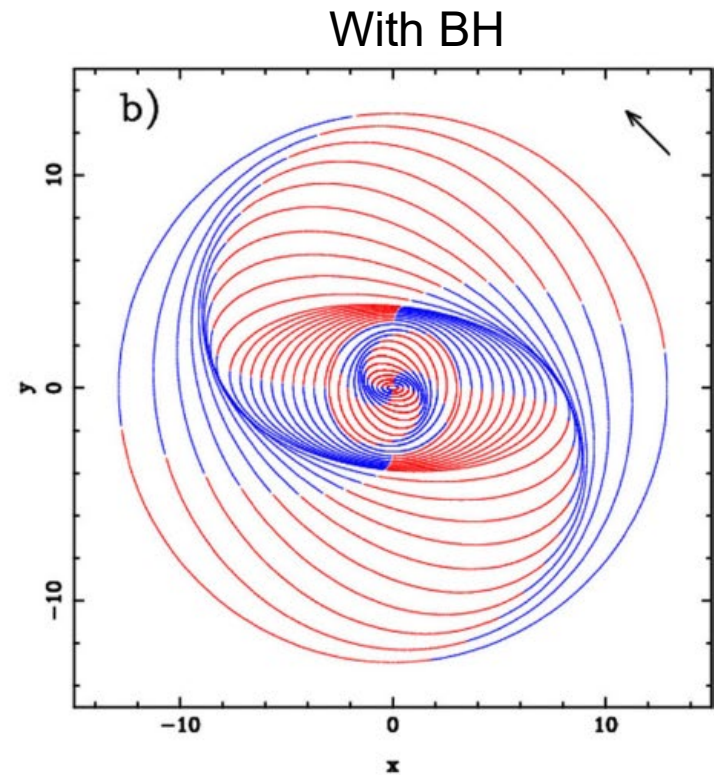
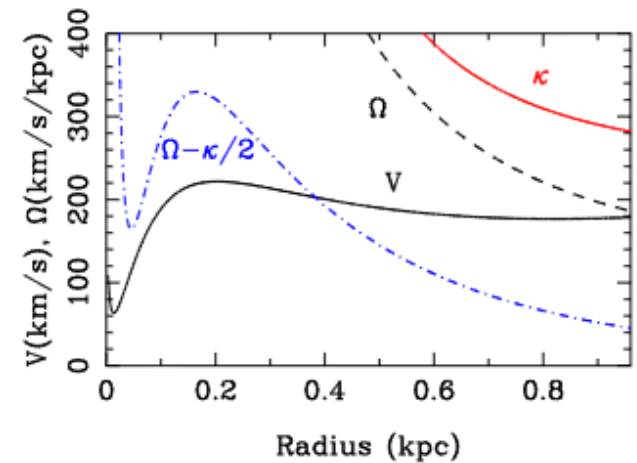
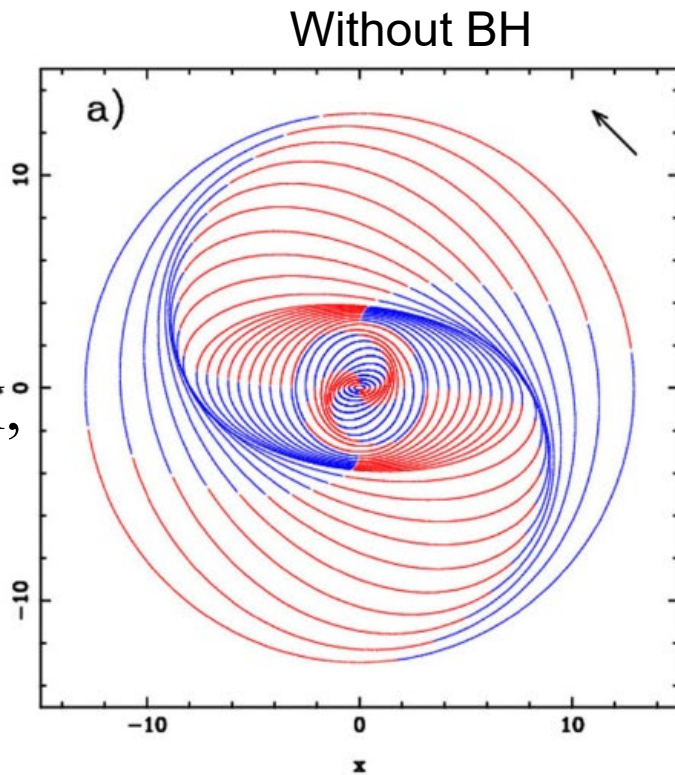


Influence of the black hole potential

Winding sense
of the inner
spiral

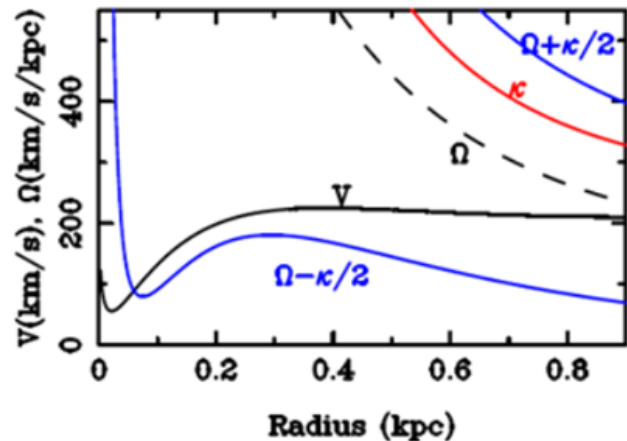
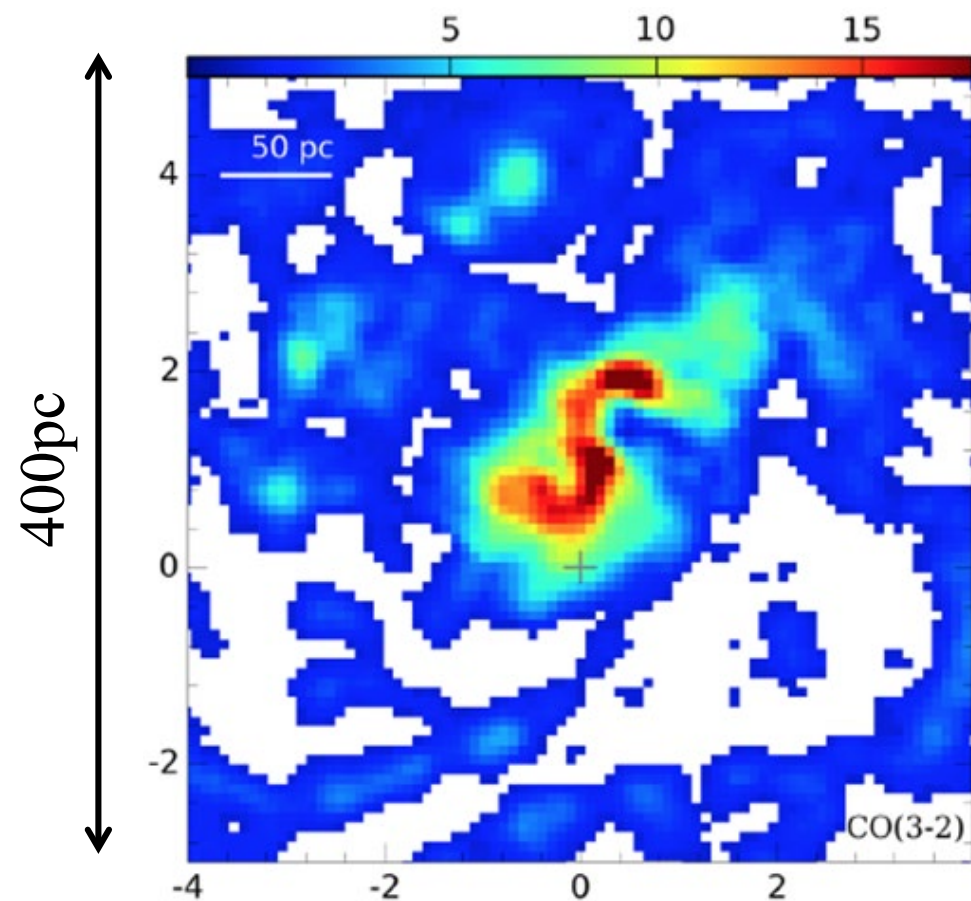
a) without BH,
leading

b) with BH,
trailing

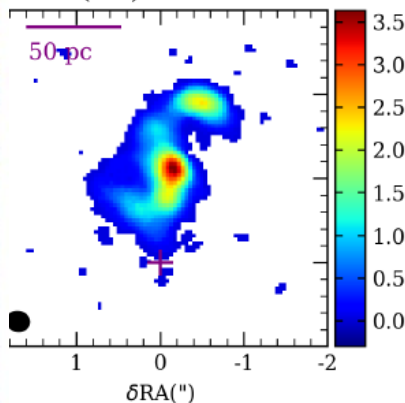


also in NGC1808

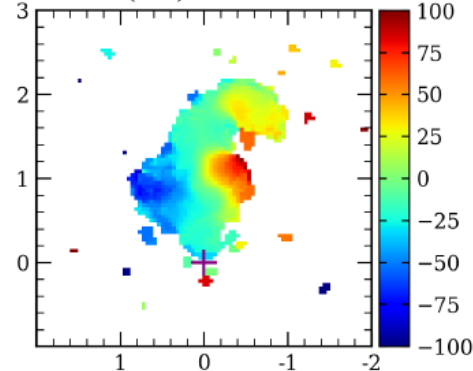
Audibert et al 2020



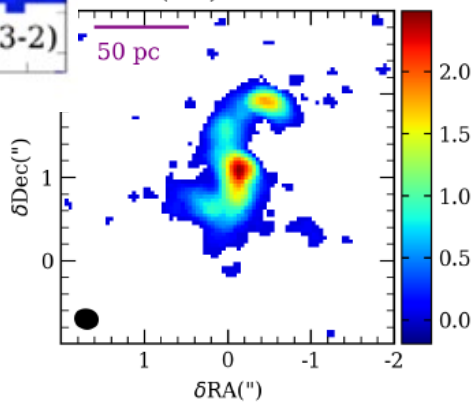
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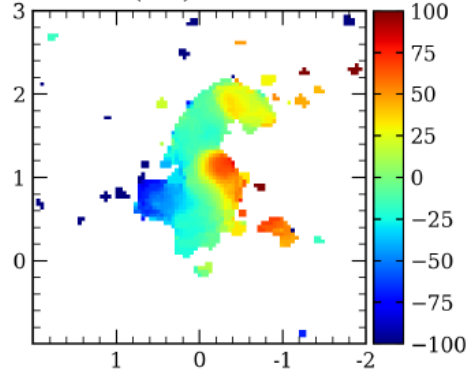
HCN(4-3) 1st moment



HCO+(4-3) 0th moment



HCO+(4-3) 1st moment



Trailing nuclear spiral in N1808

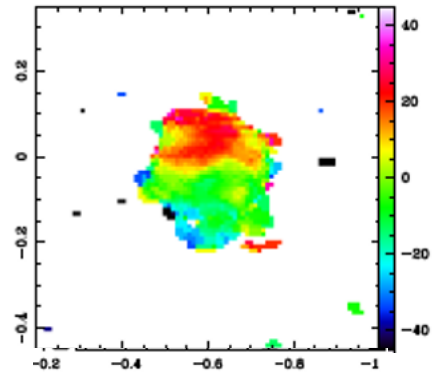
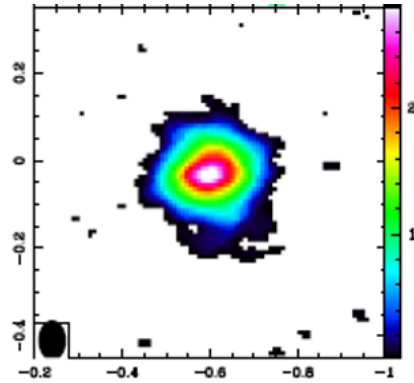
→ Fueling the BH

Beam 0.08'' = 4pc

NGC613: misaligned torus

0.6'' 50pc
←→

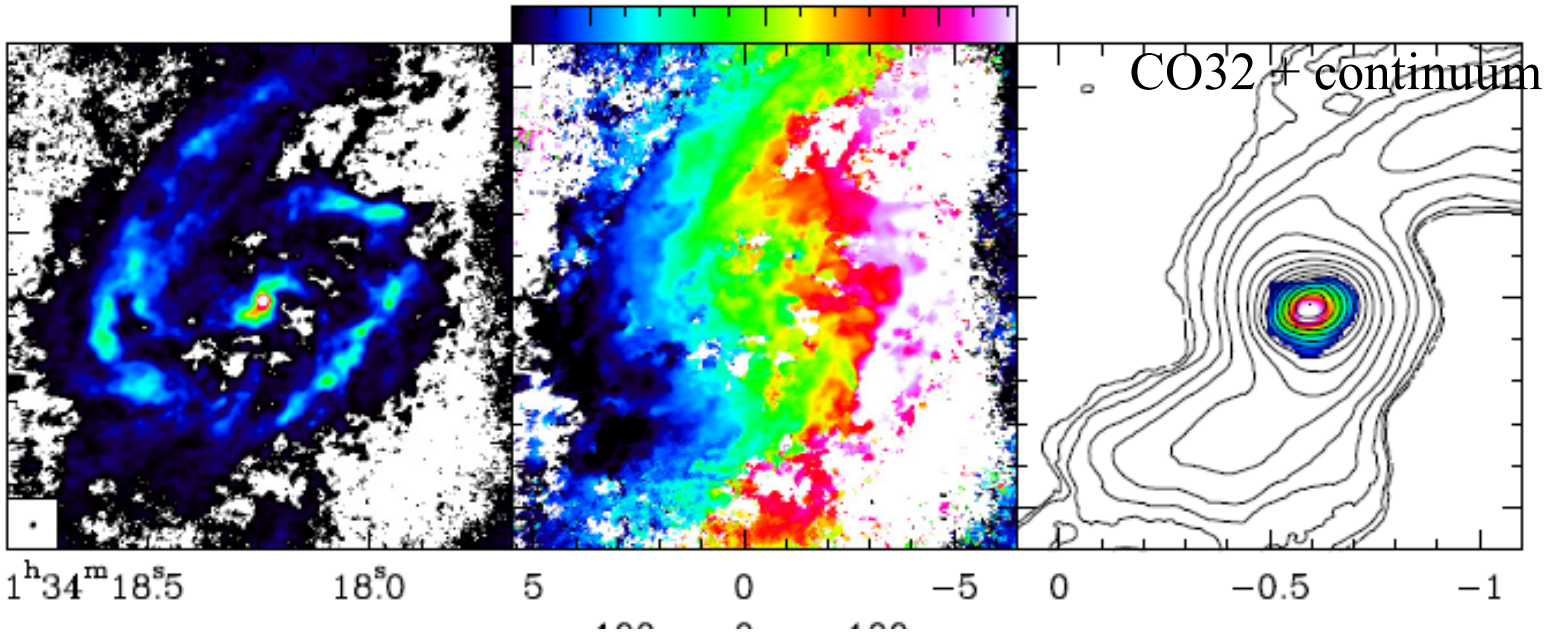
HCO+43



-100 0 100

29°25'05''

29°25'10''



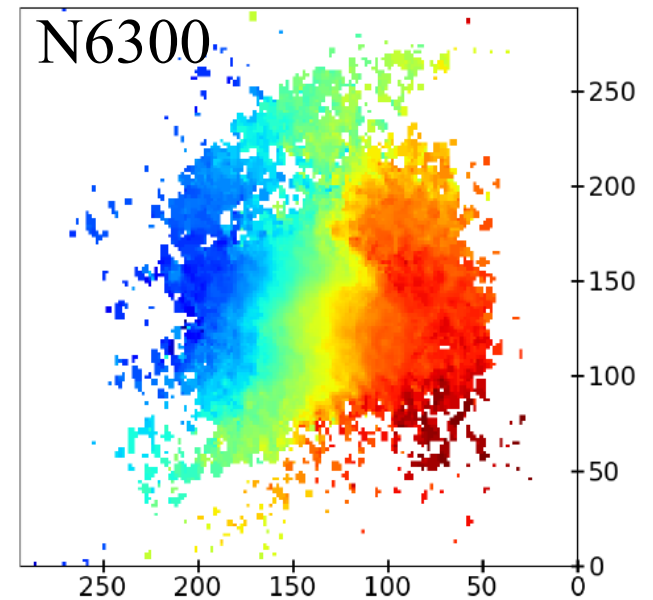
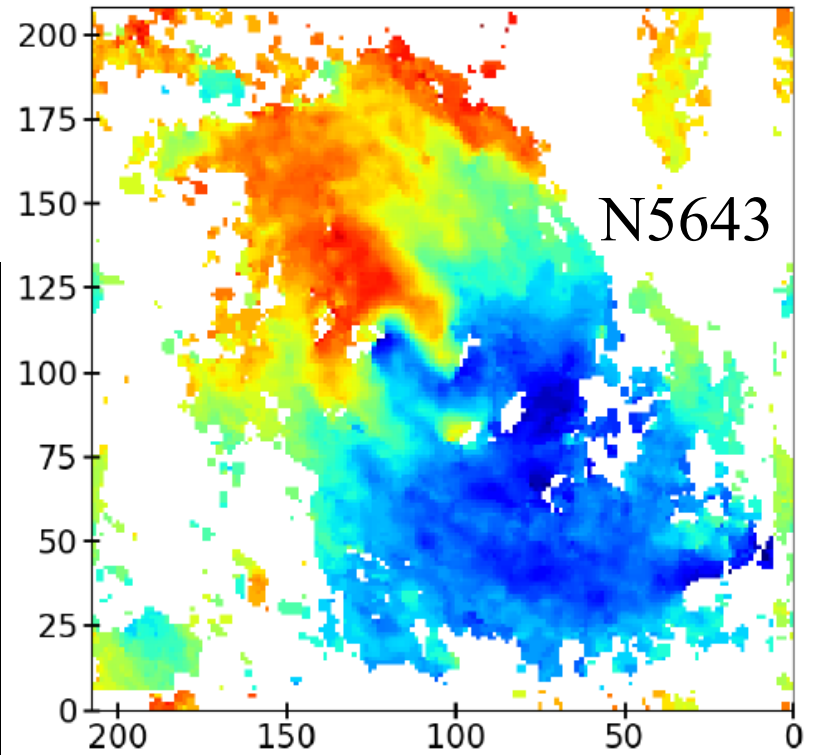
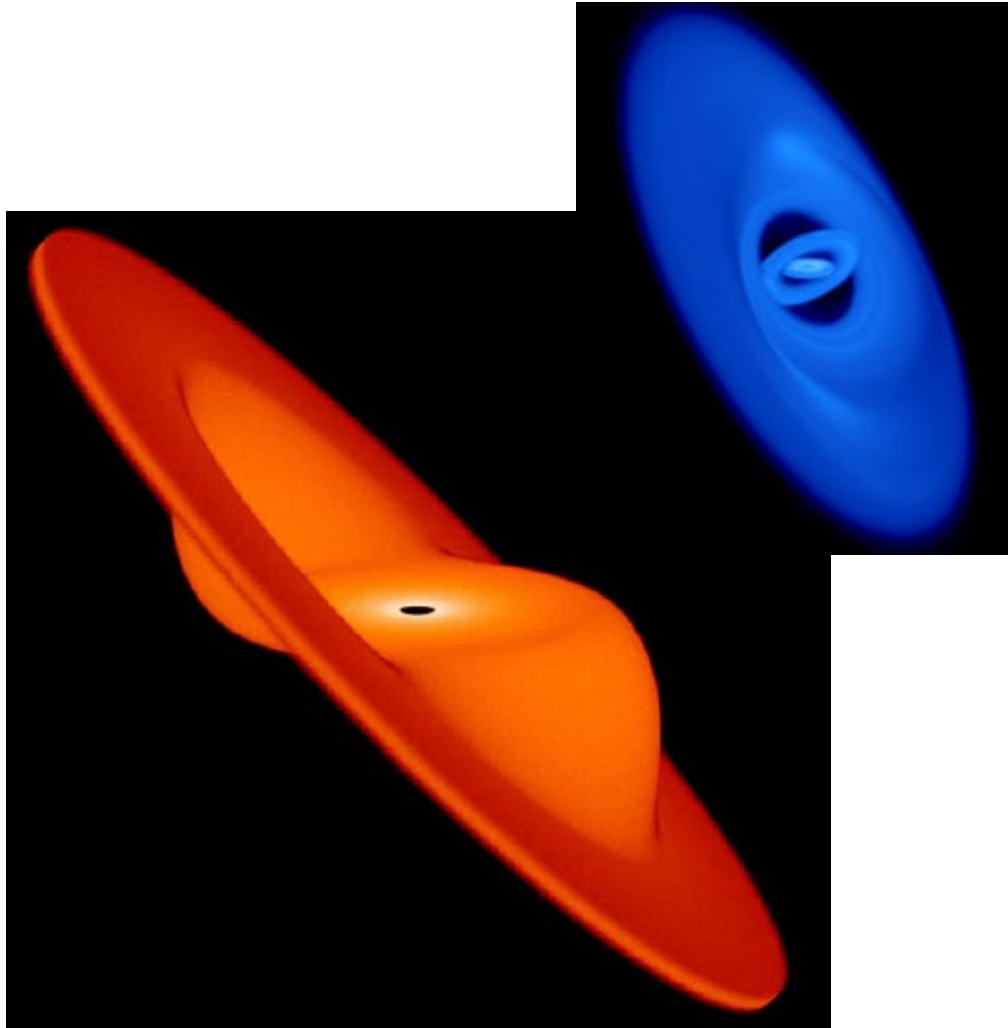
With 0.09'' x 0.06'' resolution (5pc): nuclear spiral +torus

Combes et al 2019

Tilted planes

NGC 5643, NGC 6300

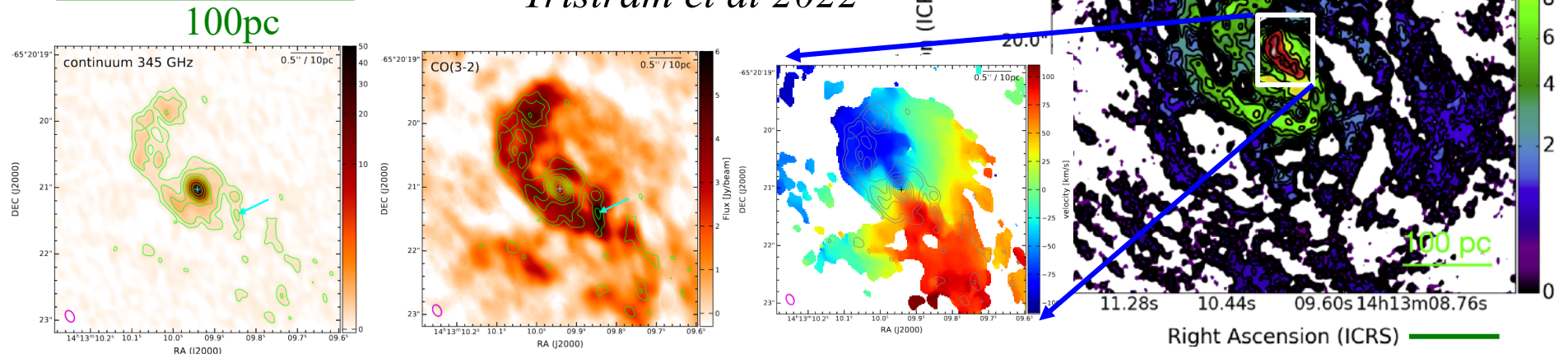
Poitevineau, Combes, Garcia-Burillo et al 2022



GATOS project Garcia-Burillo et al 2021

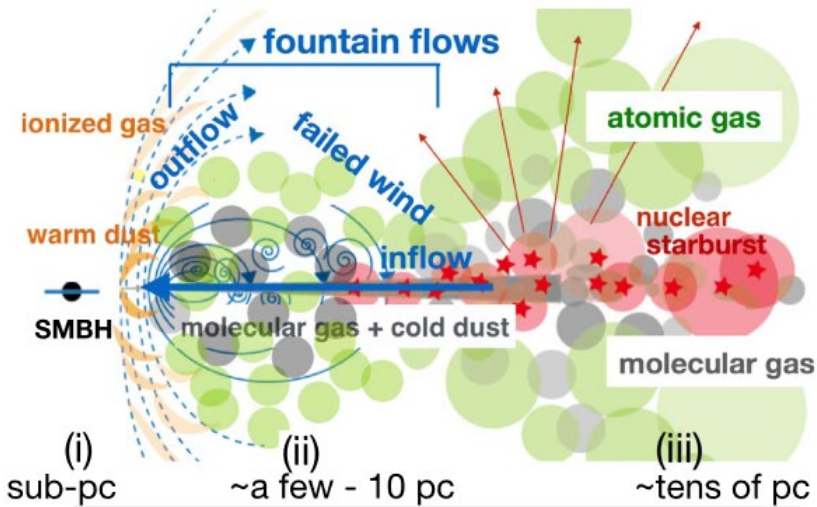
Circinus, 3.8pc resolution

Tristram et al 2022

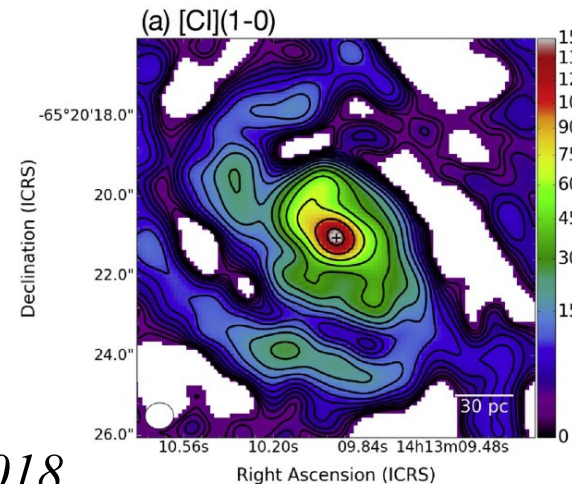


Nuclear spiral, of 20-30pc, and inside another circum-nuclear disk, which can be the molecular torus (edge-on, type 2)

A hole in CO(3-2) but not HCO+ → CI



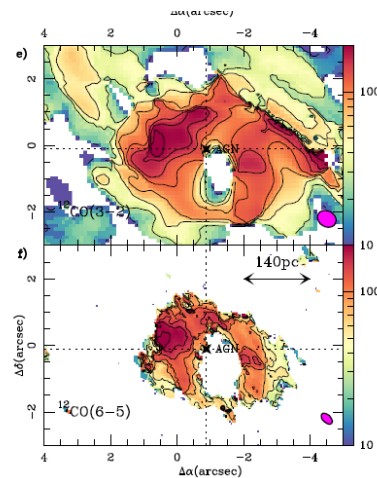
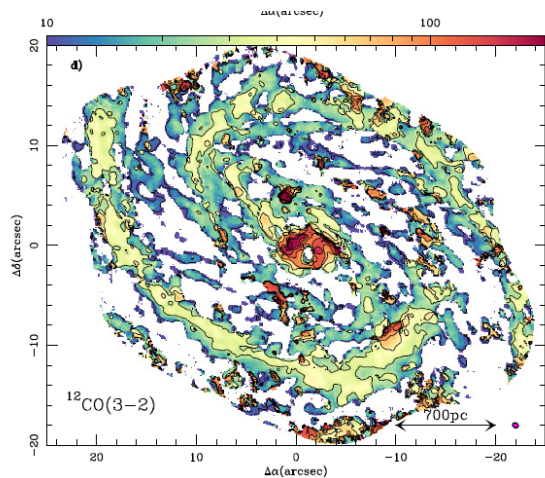
Izumi et al 2018



② Feedback

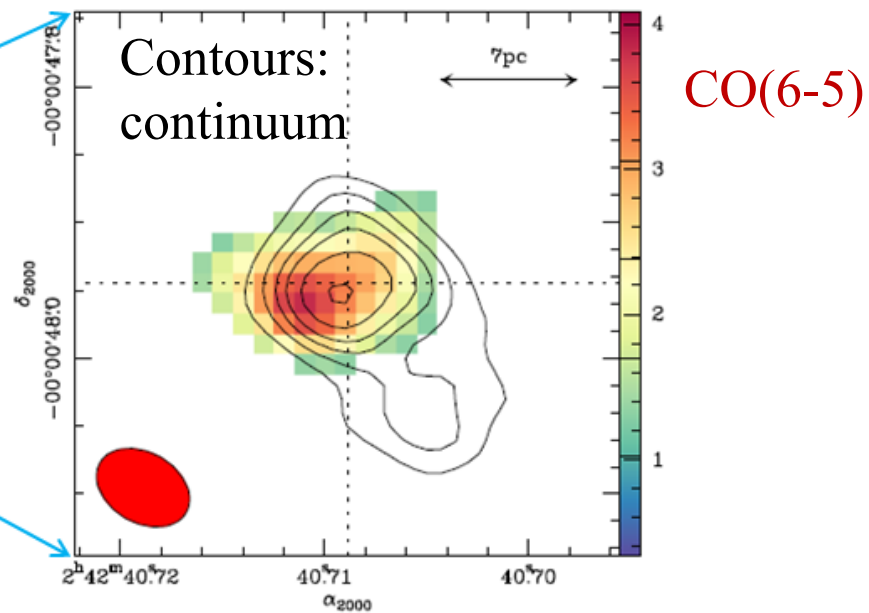
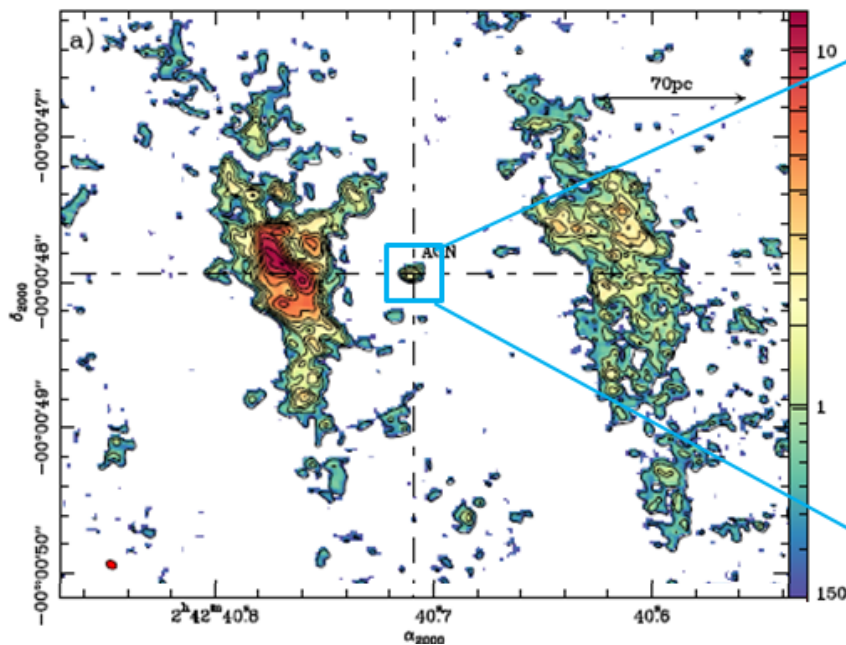
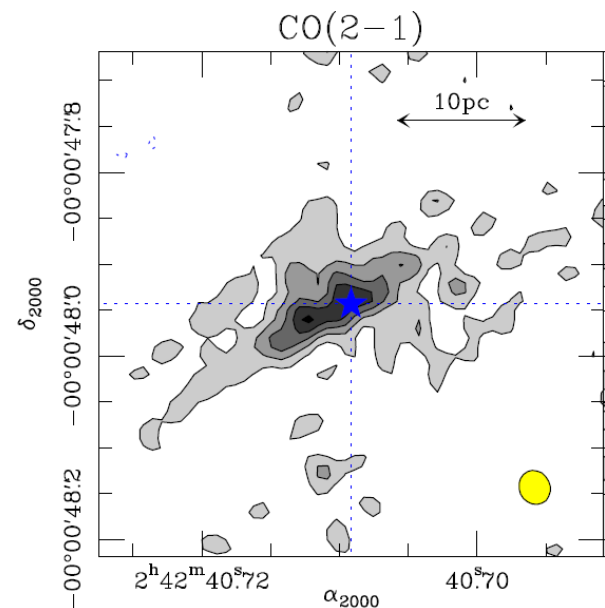
Molecular torus with ALMA

Garcia-Burillo et al 2019



NGC1068

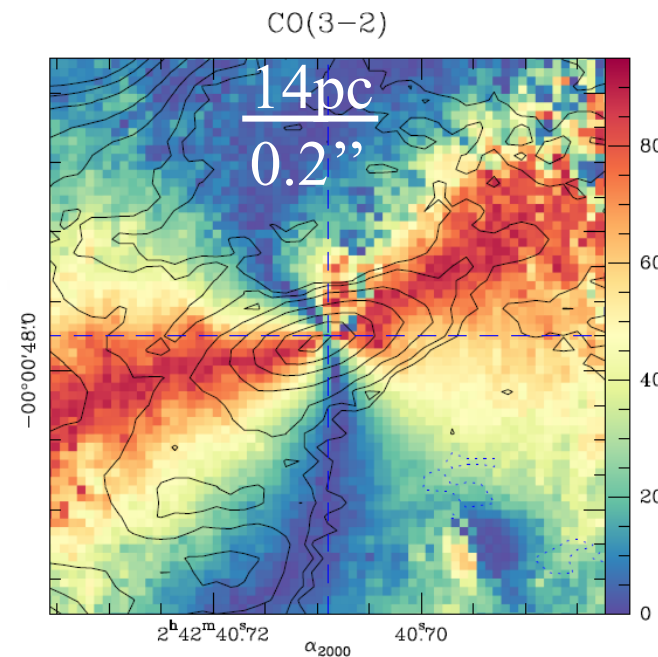
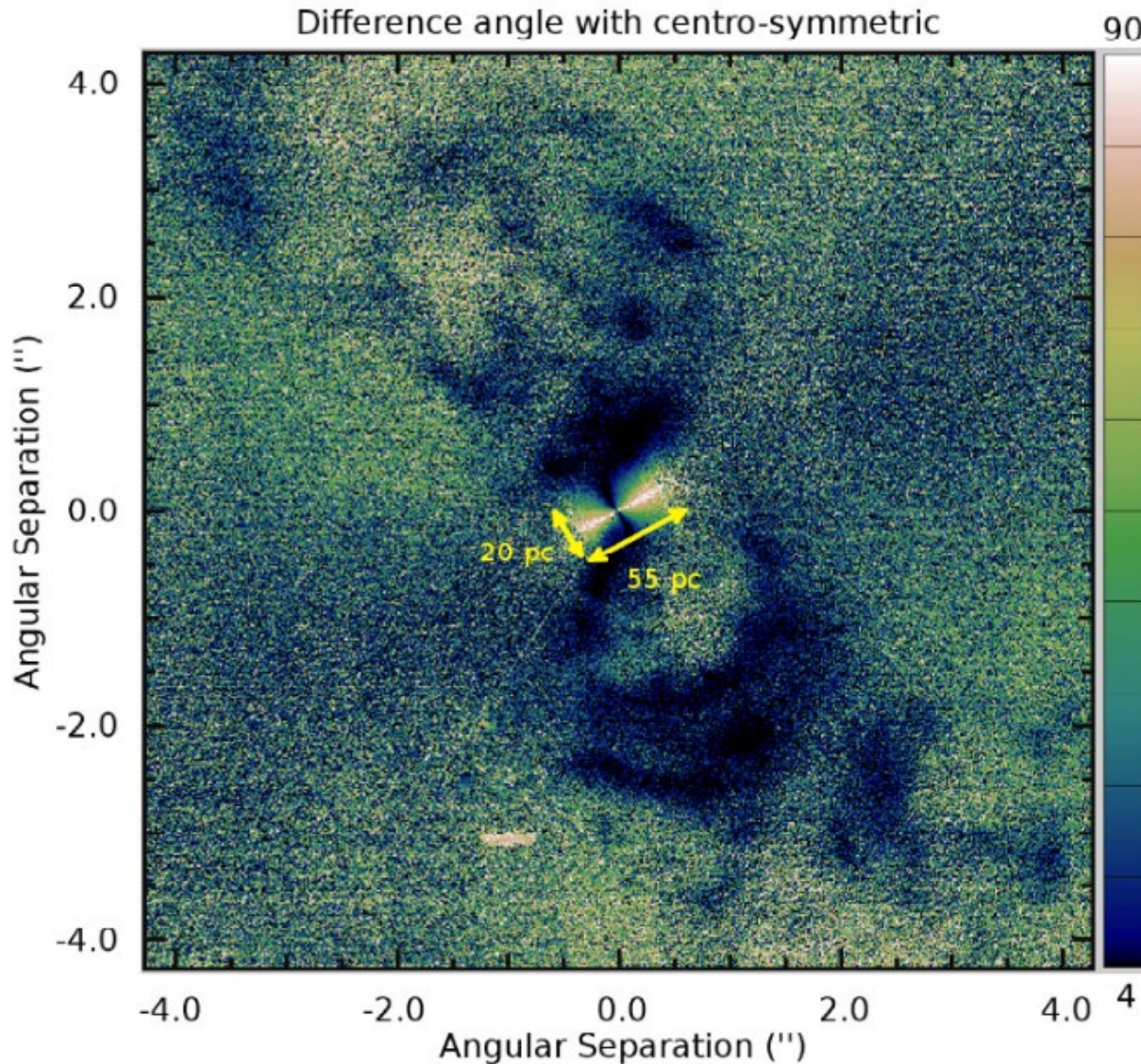
Beam
0.05''



Garcia-Burillo, Combes, Ramos-Almeida et al 2016,

R=3.5pc torus

Molecular torus inside a polar dusty cone



Garcia-Burillo et al 2019

X-rays, from 10^{23} cm^{-2}
up to 10^{25} cm^{-2}

→ Compton-thick
~up to 100 pc scale

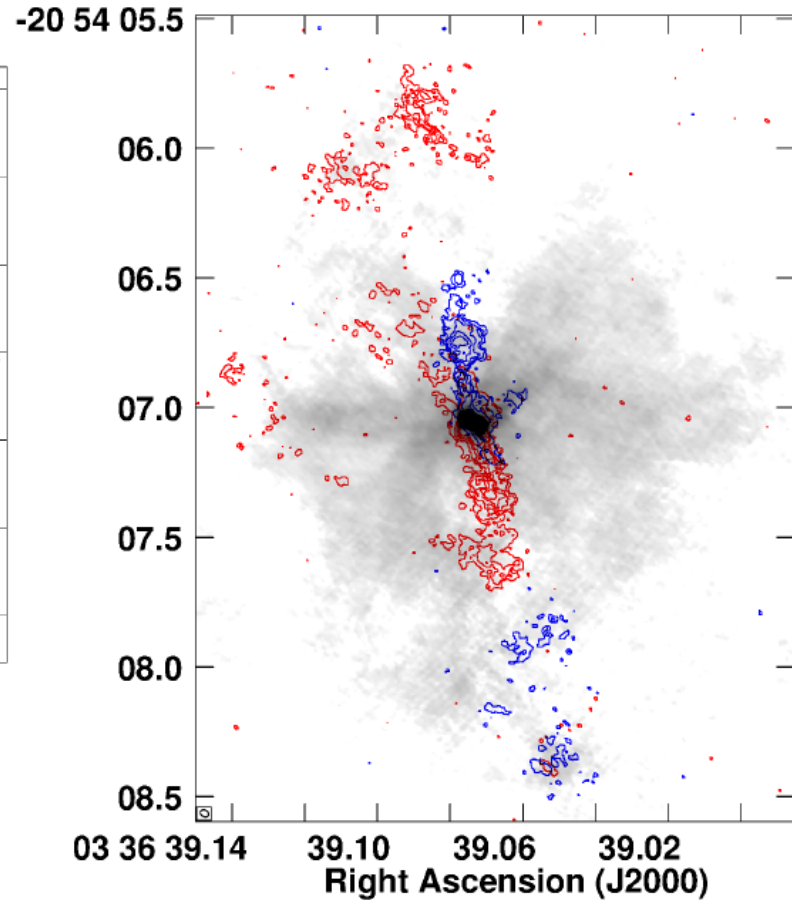
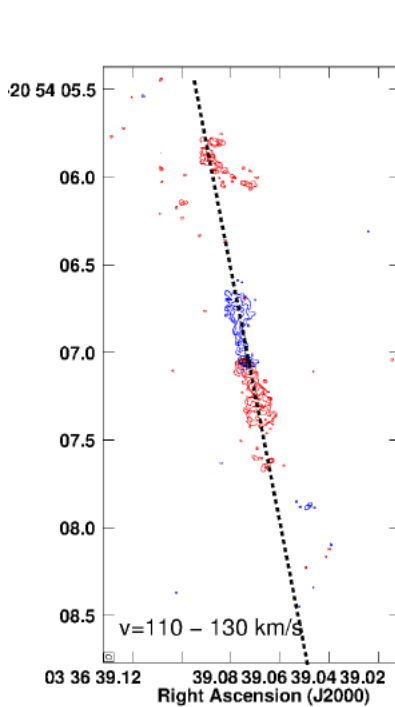
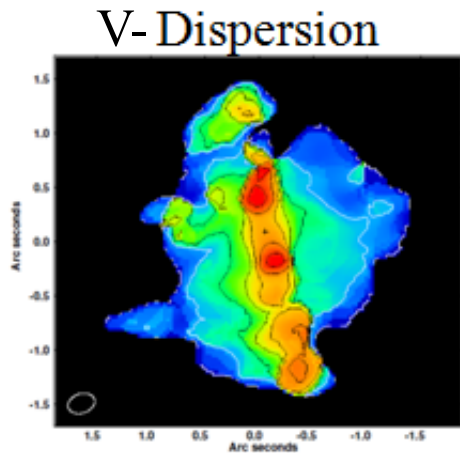
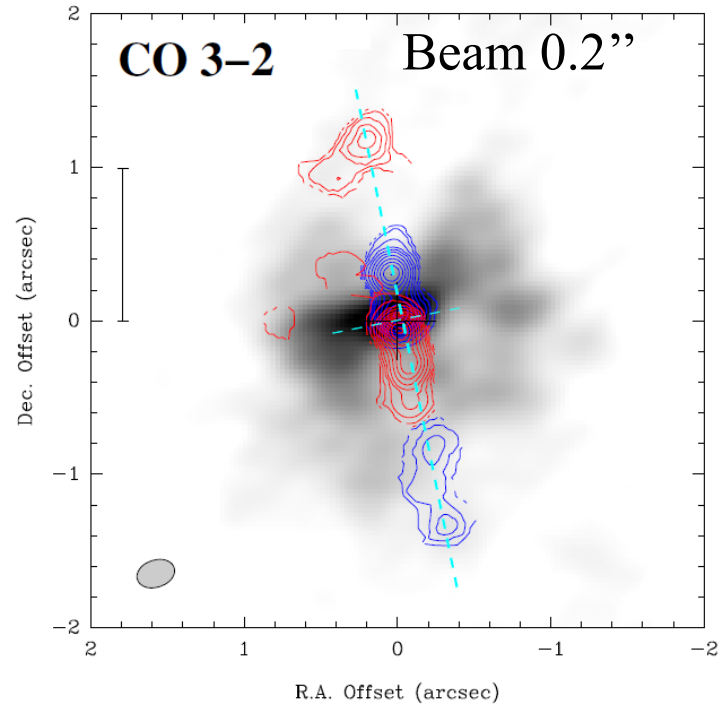
Bauer et al 2015

Marinucci et al 2016

$1'' = 70 \text{ pc}$, *Gratadour et al 2015 SPHERE NIR*

Radio mode or MHD model in NGC1377?

The most radio quiet galaxy!

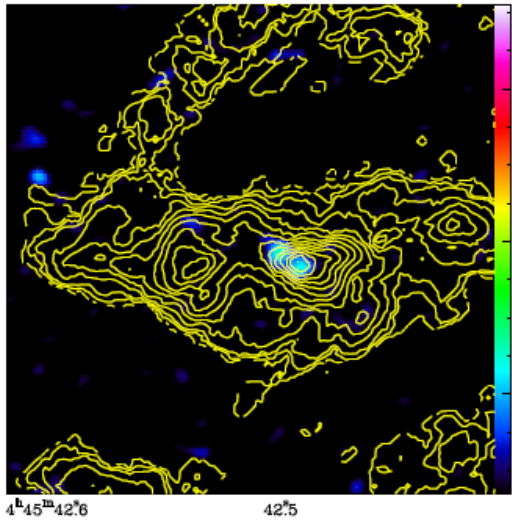


MH₂ in the cone
10⁸ M_⊙
In the jet 10⁷ M_⊙

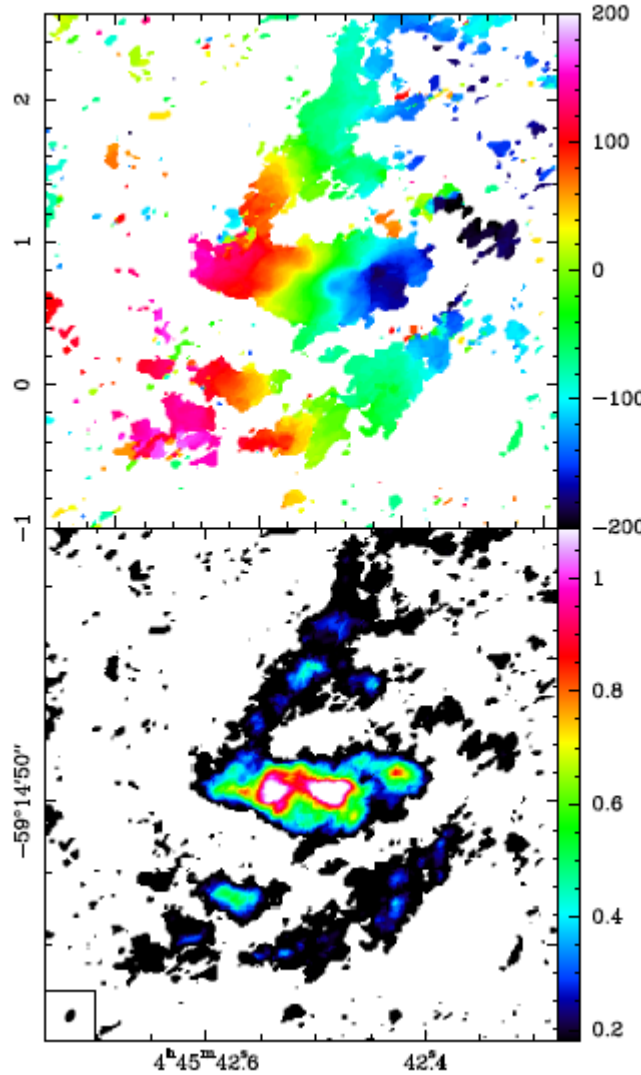
Aalto et al 2016, 2019

③ Molecular tori

NGC 1672



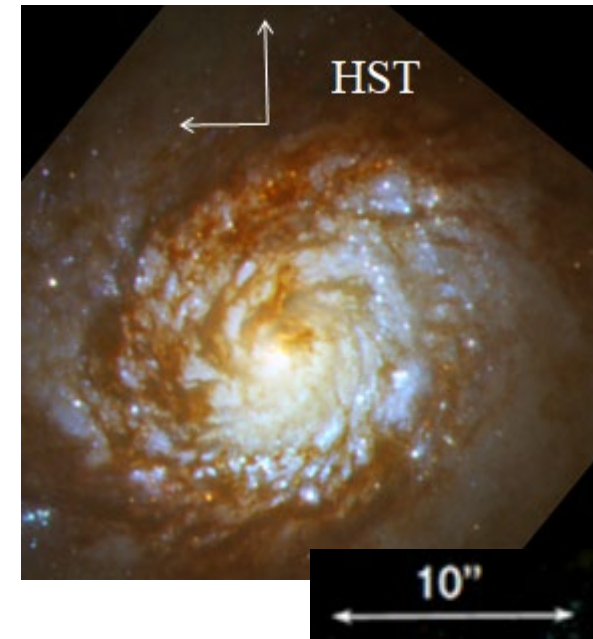
1 arcsec = 55pc



CO32-contours on
continuum

HCN(4-3) & HCO+(4-3)
just detected in the
center

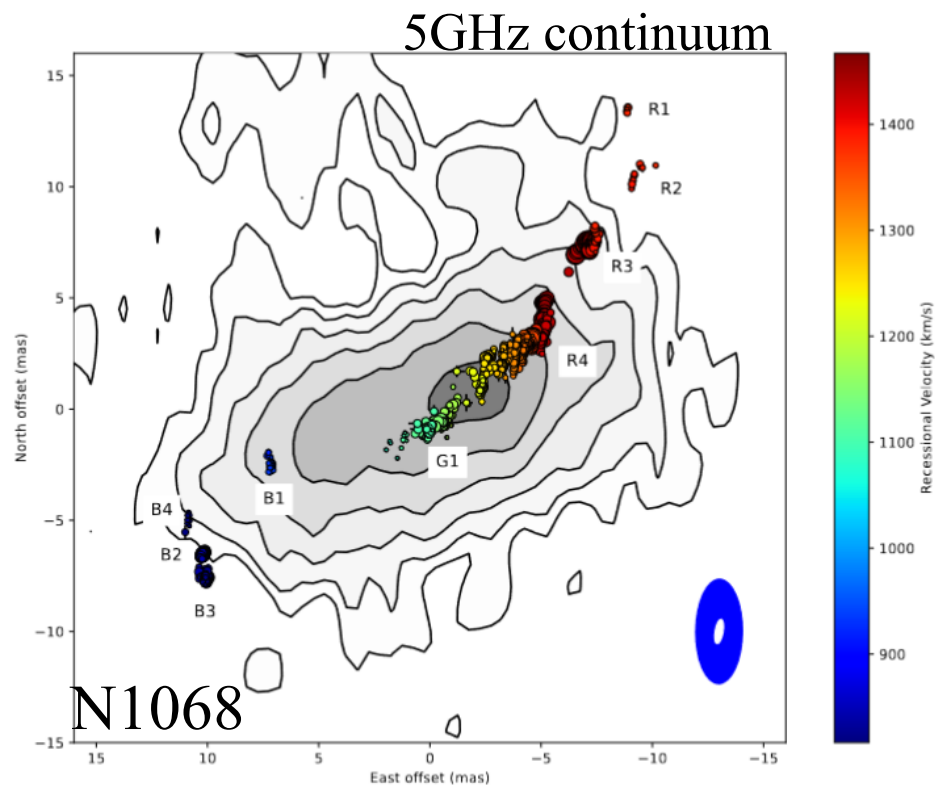
Misalignment



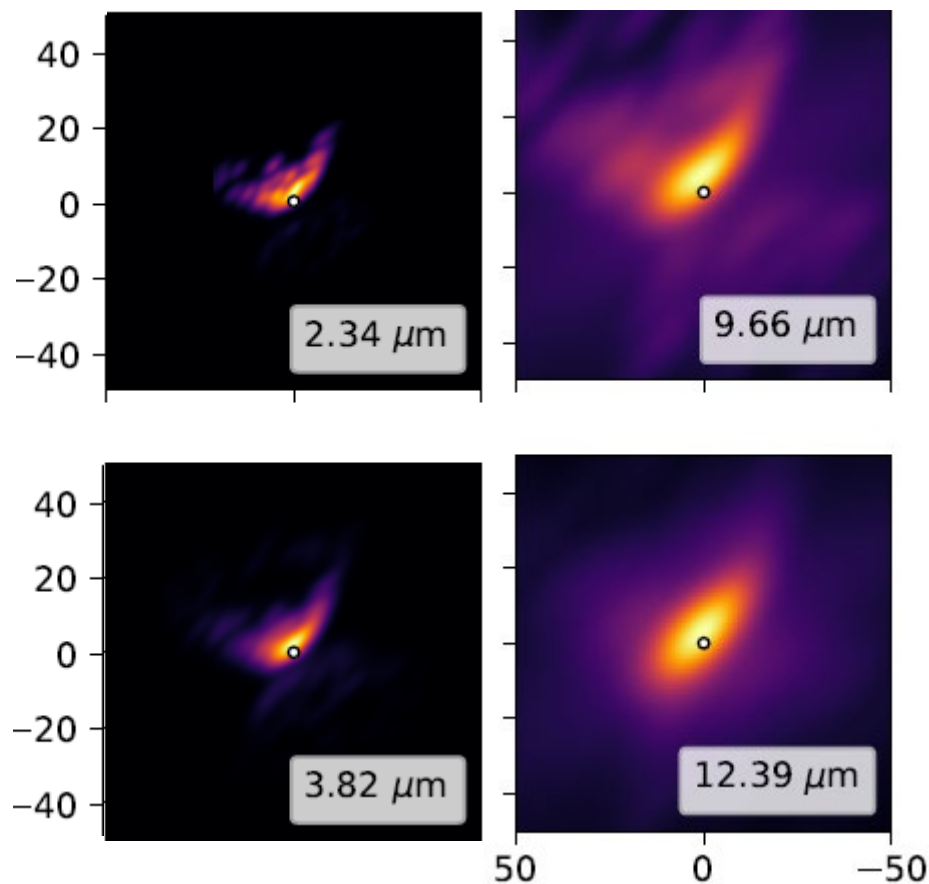
Warped disk and wind

H₂O masers on 0.3-0.8pc warped discs
Best represented by Lense-Thirring effect
→ also heat the disk

GRAVITY+MATISSE *Leftley et al 2024*



Gallimore et al 2023



Galex

NGC 1097

Fathi et al 2006

$$\lambda\text{Edd} = 710^{-4}$$

420''=29kpc

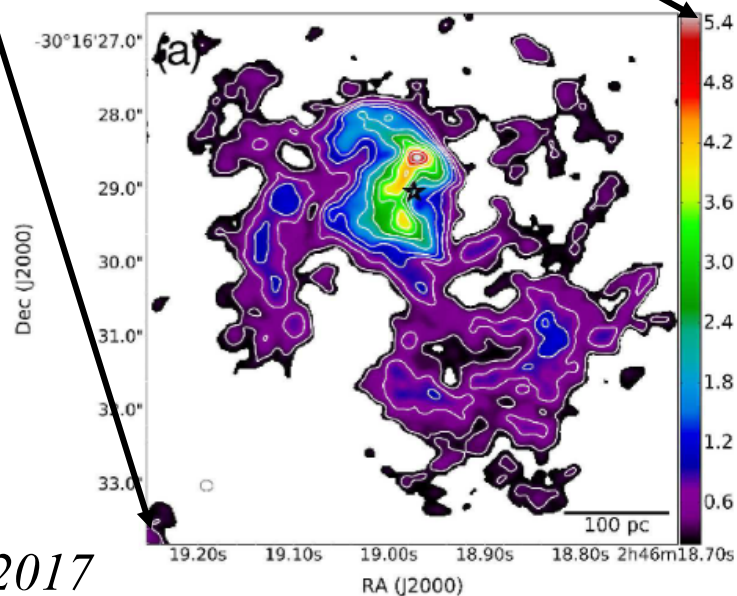
1kpc

ALMA with 10pc resolution reveals a nuclear spiral inside the ILR ring, but no apparent central torus

No torus in 10-20% of LLAGN

More with λEdd ?

Garcia-Burillo et al 2021



Izumi et al 2017

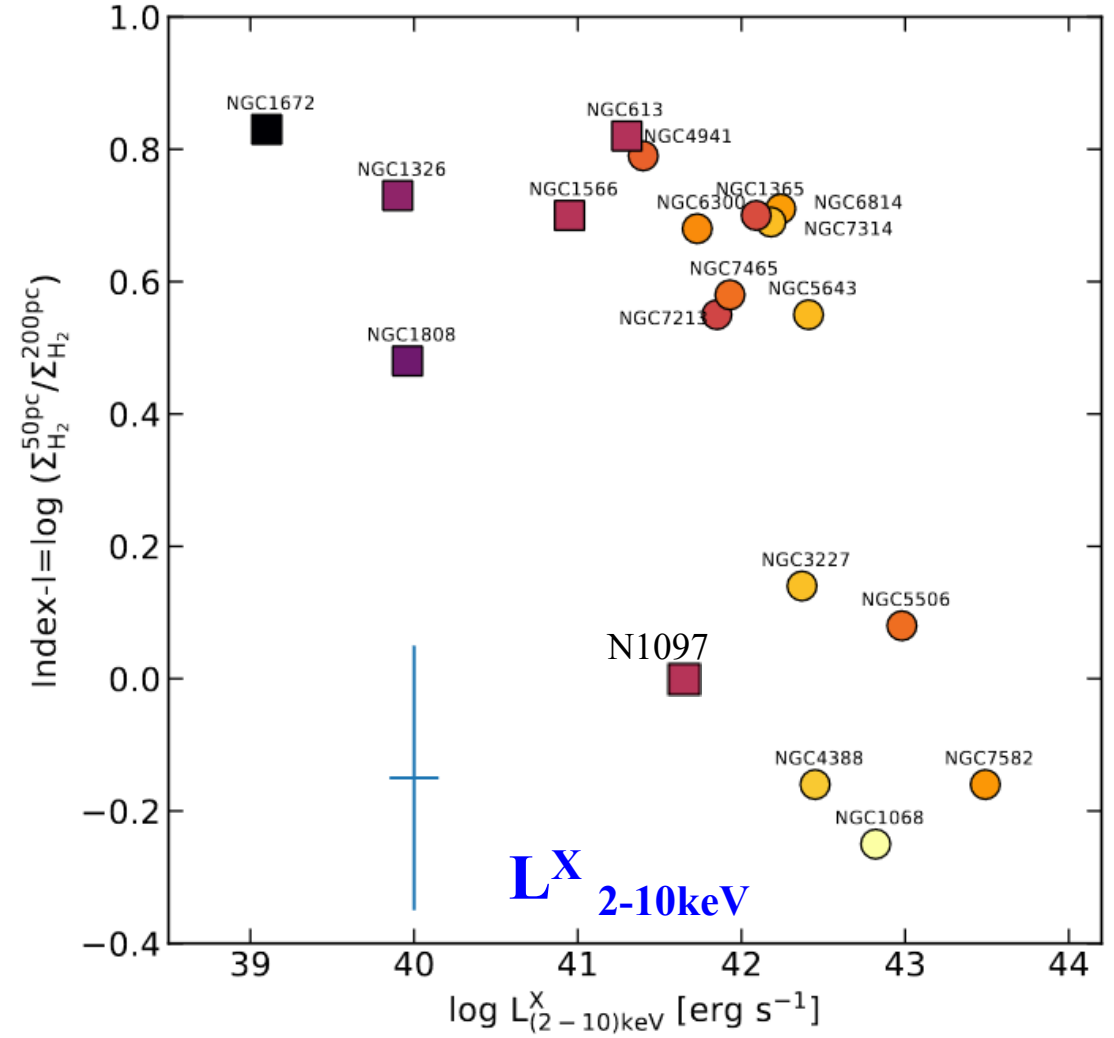
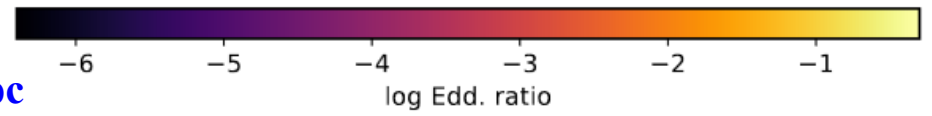
Influence of AGN

The most active AGN
have less H₂ concentration

Drops for $L_x > 10^{42.5}$ erg/s

And also $E_{dd} > 10^{-3}$

$\Sigma_{50pc} / \Sigma_{200pc}$



④

GRAVITY+

CO bandhead around stars

W Thi et al 2005

Hot dust-free inner **disk around 51 Oph**

R=10 000 ISAAC/VLT CO $\Delta v=2$

Molecular disk in Keplerian orbit

T=2000-4000K, $n(\text{H}_2) > 10^{10} \text{cm}^{-3}$

Inner AU, between the R_{trunc} and R_{sublim}

$i=88^\circ$, $N(\text{CO}) \sim 10^{20} \text{cm}^{-2}$

$R_{\text{trunc}} = 0.15 \text{ AU}$, $R_{\text{max}} = 0.35 \text{ AU}$

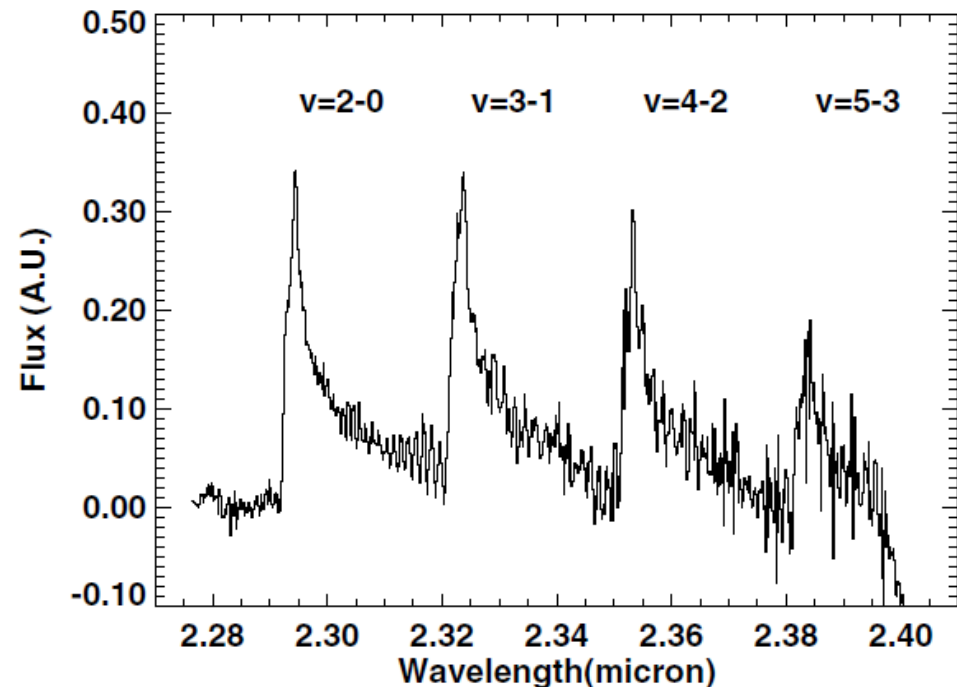
$R_{\text{sublim}} = 0.6 \text{ AU}$ T= 1500K

ISO/SWS $N(\text{CO}) \sim 10^{21} \text{cm}^{-2}$

Cooler T= 500-900K

$V_{\text{rot}} = 267 \text{ km/s}$ $R(\text{cor}) = GM_*/V_{\text{rot}}^2$

$R(\text{cor}) = 0.05 \text{ AU} < R_{\text{sublim}}$



Resolved hot CO around 51 Oph Be star

AMBER VLT I R=35 and 1500 *Tatulli et al 2008*

Confirmation R=0.15 AU

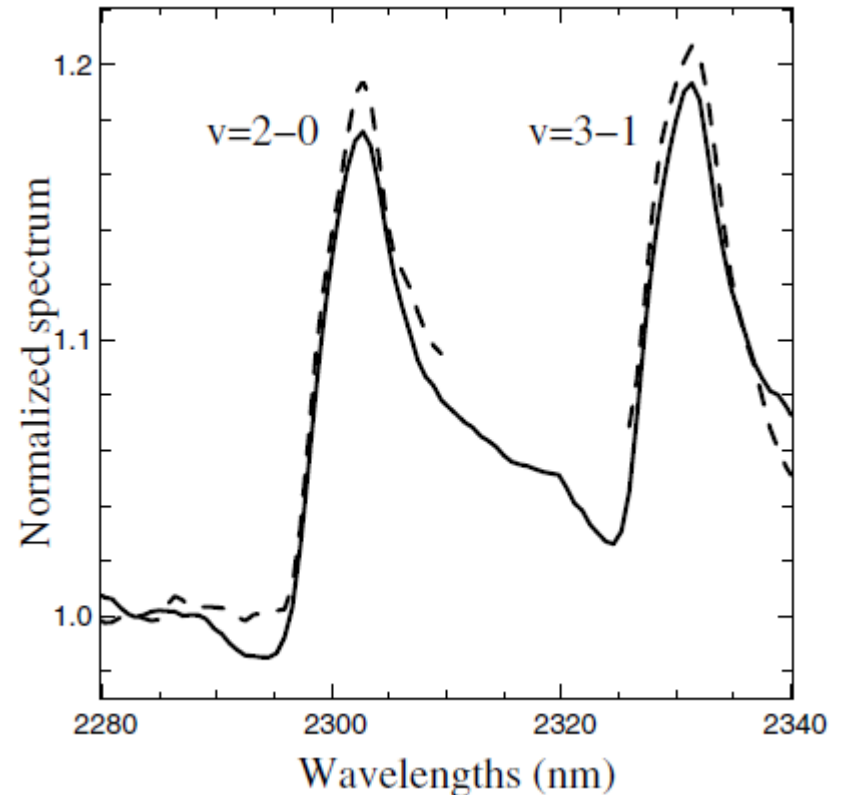
Also the CO gas contributes to the $2\mu\text{m}$ continuum inside R_{sublim}

PA=126°, i=82°

CO self-shielding,
and reformation

$\text{C} + \text{OH} \rightarrow \text{CO} + \text{H}$

If $N(\text{CO}) > 10^{15} \text{cm}^{-2}$



D=130pc, 1mas = 0.12 AU

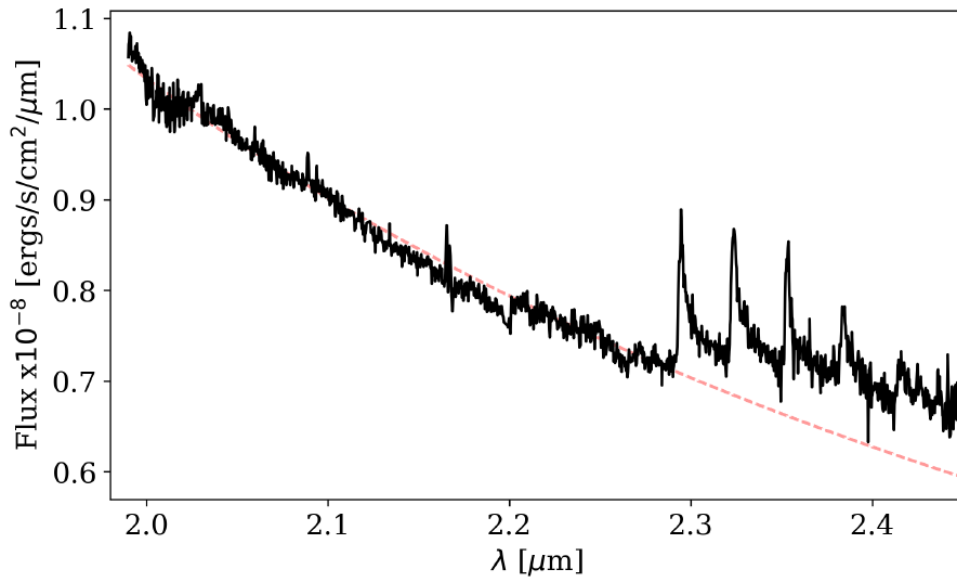
GRAVITY: 51 Oph

Continuum: 80% T= 10 000K

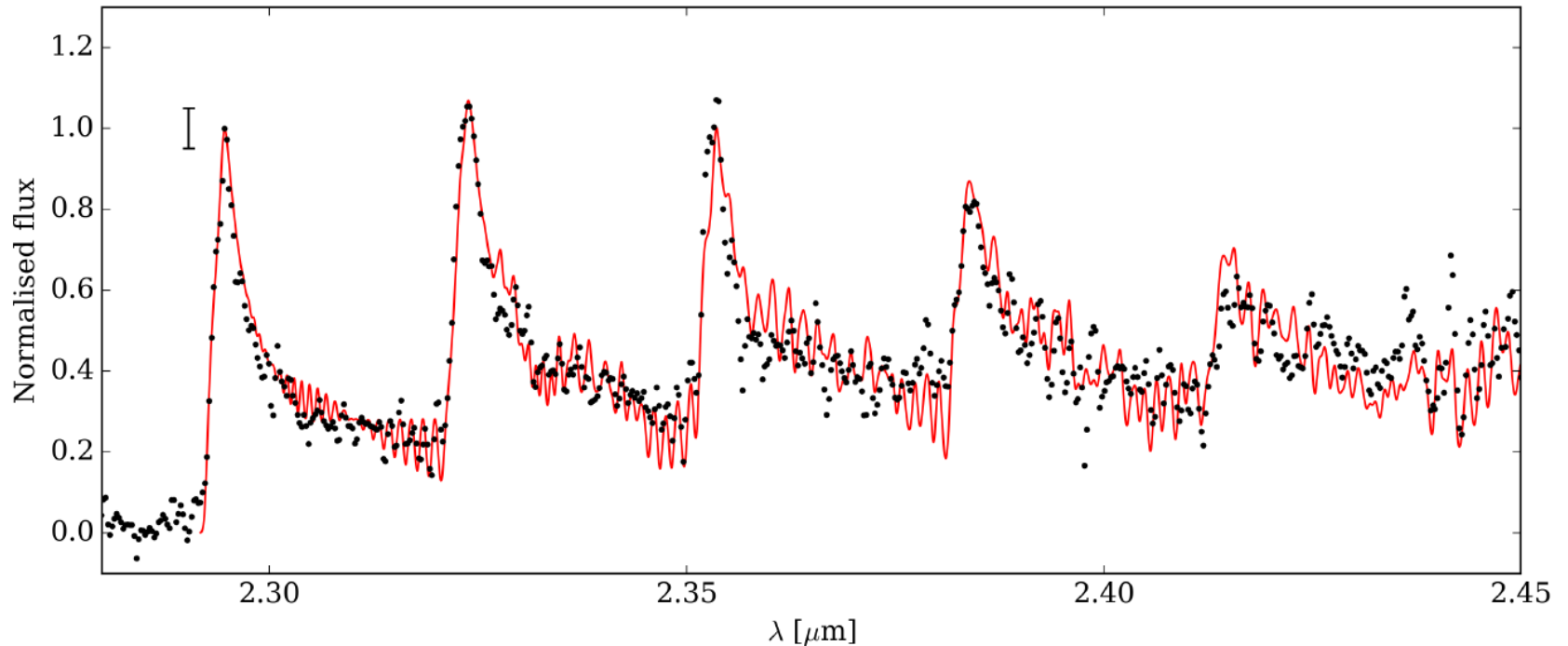
20% T=1500K dust 0.5AU

12 baselines

Koutoulaki et al 2021

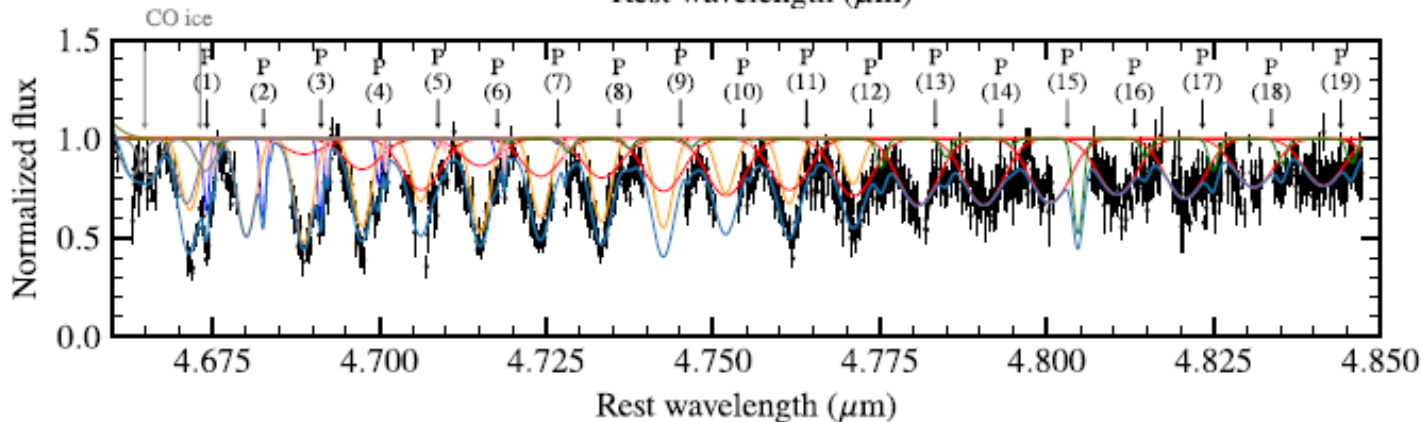
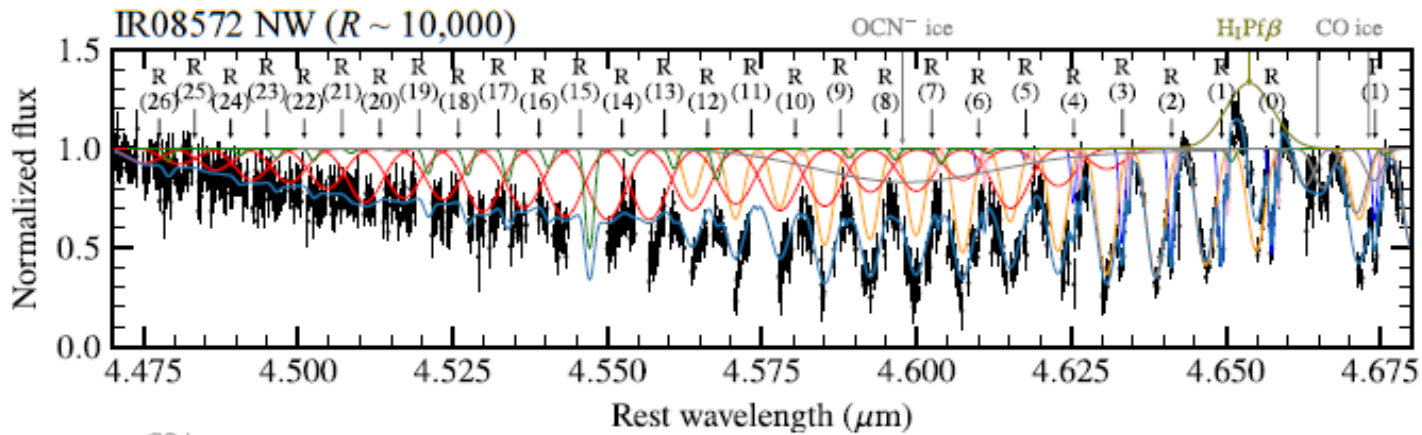
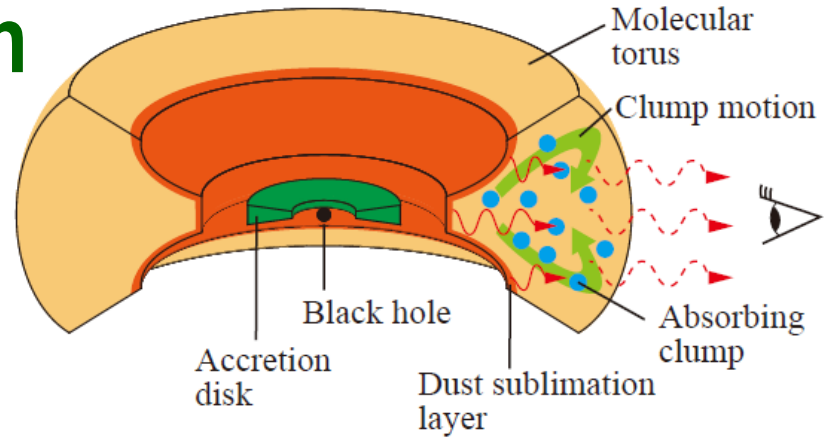


PA=116°, $i=63^\circ$, CO at 0.1 AU $< R_{\text{sublim}}$



CO bandhead in absorption

ULIRGs, with molecular torus
 CO $v=0 \rightarrow 1$, $4.67\mu\text{m}$, $R=10\ 000$
 SUBARU
Onishi et al 2024



4-5 clumps
 at each los

Inner outflow
 $V \sim 240\text{km/s}$
 Denser, hotter

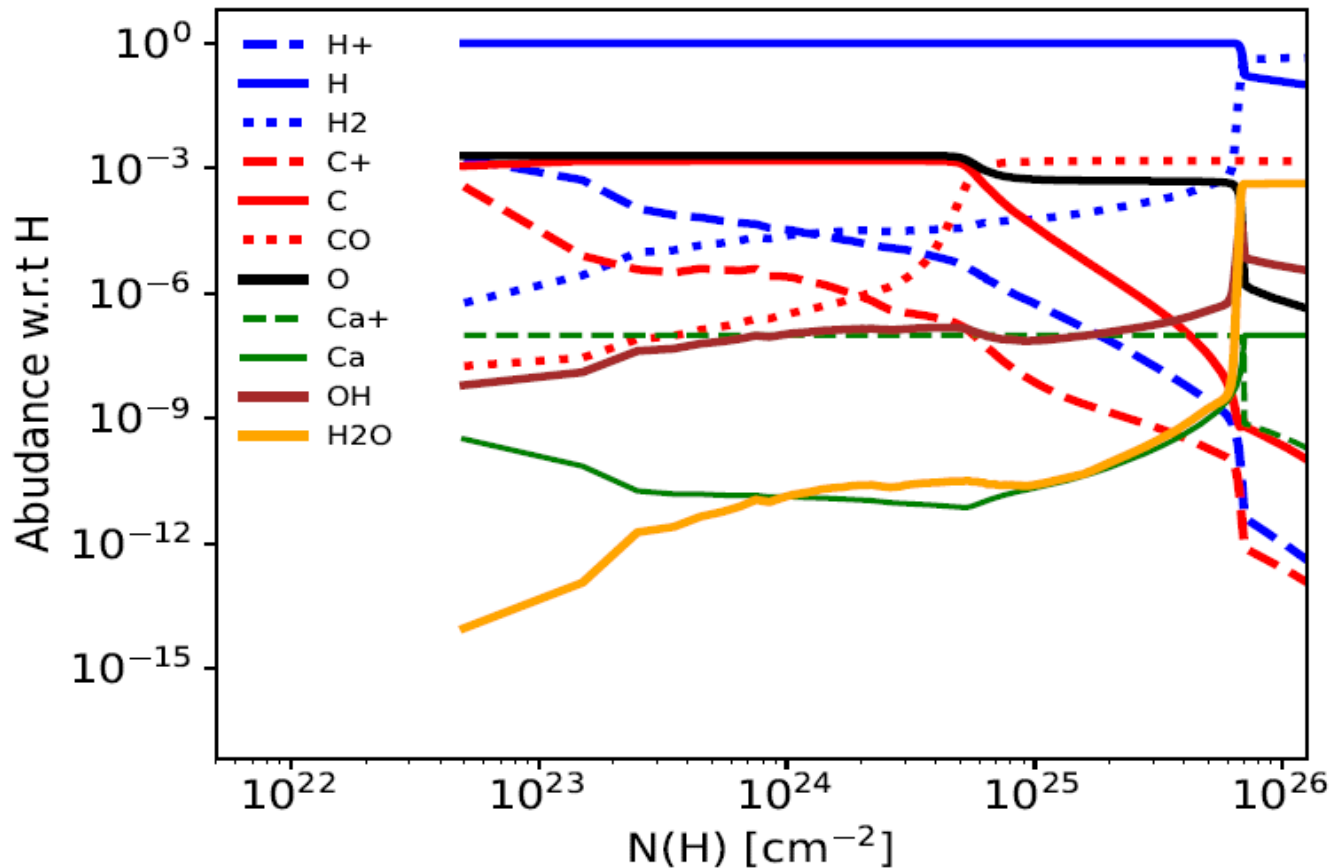
Outer low- V
 $V < 100\text{km/s}$

Predictions of CO bandhead in BLR

BLR sizes = 10^2 - $10^3 R_s$ BLR⁺ 10-100 M_\odot , BLR⁰ 10^5 - $10^6 M_\odot$

BLR⁺ as an outer layer, bulk in BLR⁰ with neutral H and H₂

Inside the R_{sublim} , **dense and hot molecules** → CO



CLOUDY model

$n_{\text{H}} = 10^{14} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

$\log(U) = -5$

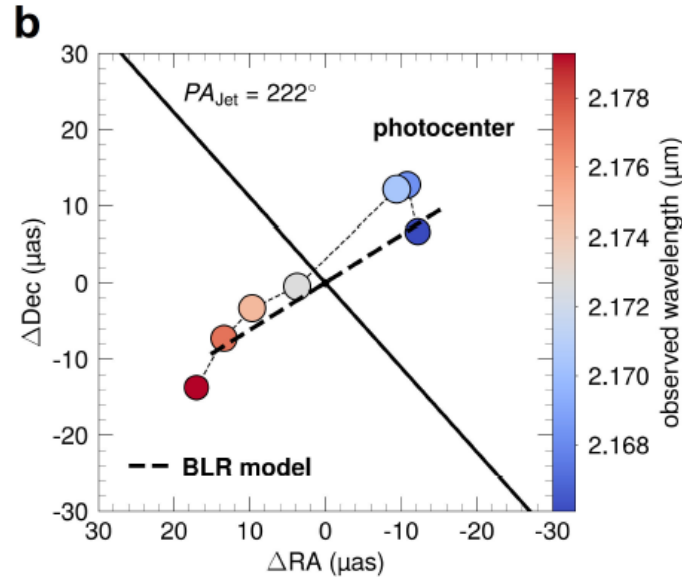
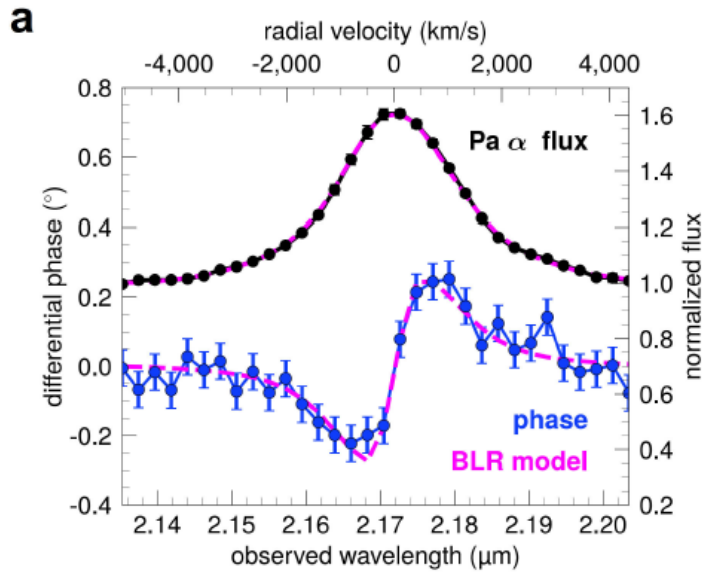
$V = 250 \text{ km/s}$

$R_s = 2 GM_{\text{BH}}/c^2$

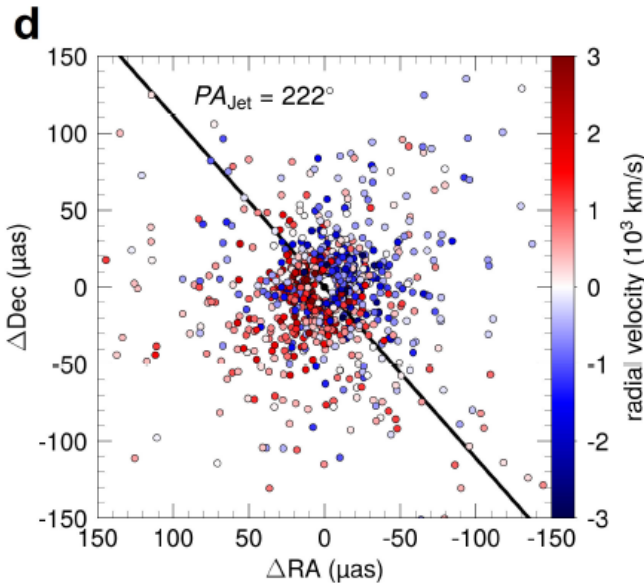
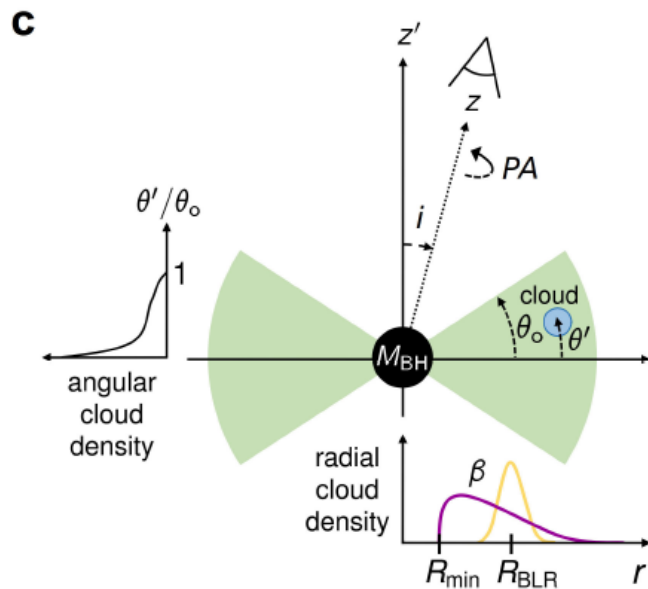
Broad lines
expected

3C273 BLR with GRAVITY

Sturm et al 2018



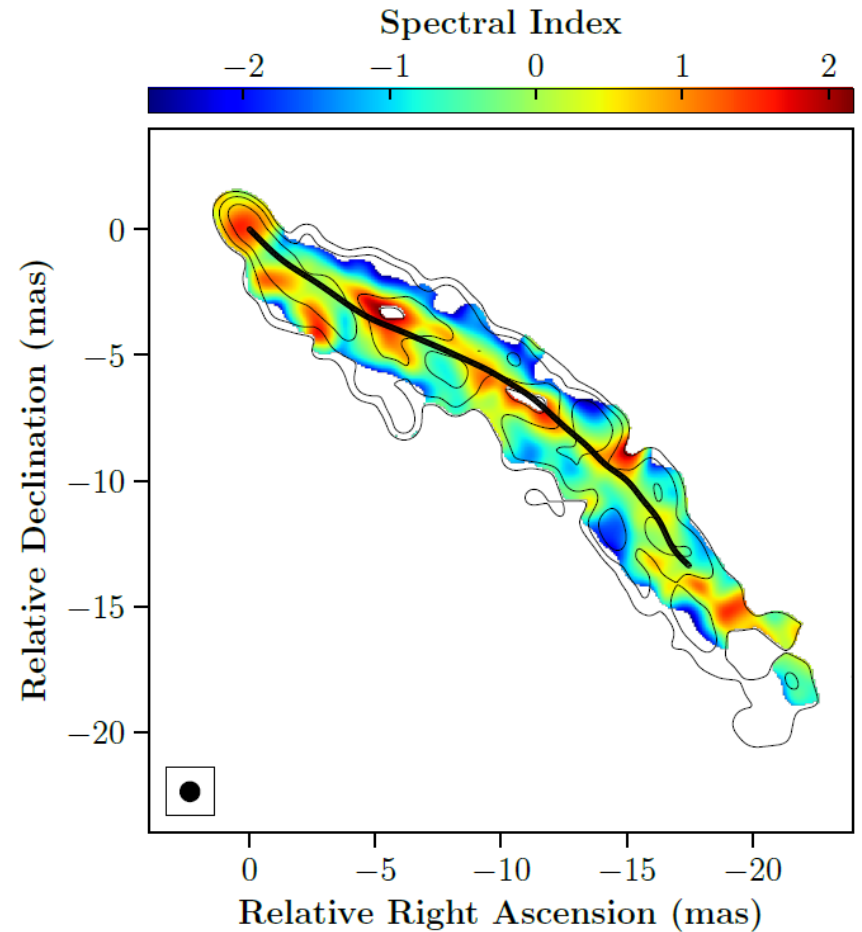
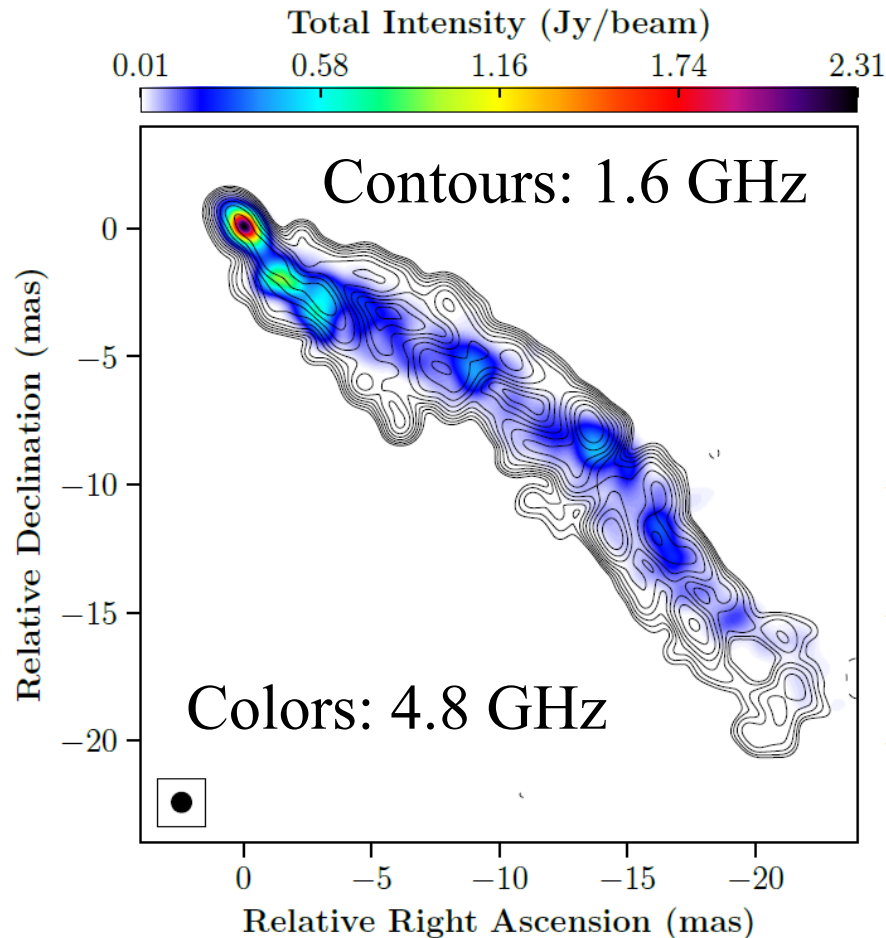
Pa α
 Astrometry
 10 μas
 Blue-red shifts
 of the BLR



BLR < 0.1 mas
 D=550 Mpc
 z=0.158
 $M_{\text{BH}} = 2.6 \cdot 10^8 M_{\odot}$
 $R_{\text{BLR}} = 40 \mu\text{as}$
 2700 km/s FWHM

3C273 with Radio -Astron

Bruni et al 2021
1mas at 1.6GHz,
0.5mas at 4.8 GHz



Spine/sheath structure in the jet,
Limb-brightened at 1.6GHz

GRAVITY+: BLR CO bandhead

Quite difficult, since the various bands will blend, if $\text{FWHM} > 4000 \text{ km/s}$, **or with low inc?**

Cannot separate blue and red-shift like with Pa α
S/N lower, but more sensitivity?

$R_{\text{BLR}} = 0.12 \text{ pc}$ in 3C273

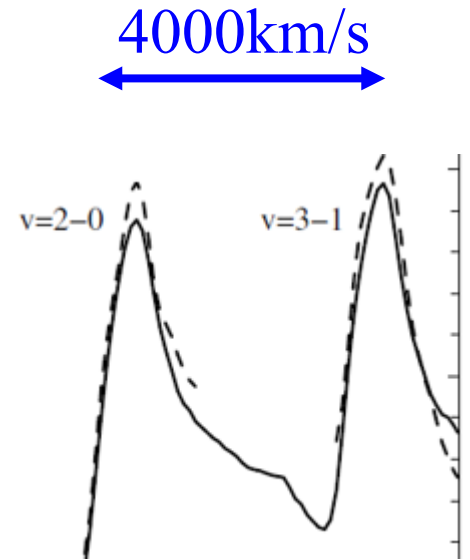
With more nearby AGN, $D=20\text{Mpc}$, could be 1mas

Could be possible to detect CO $v=1-1$ and $J=3 \rightarrow 2$
for instance with ALMA

At least spectrally, searching for a broad lines

We have observed (40mas) the $v=1, J=3-2$ line in a parallel band
while looking at molecular tori \rightarrow First look: nothing

Wait for **WSU** Wideband Sensitivity Upgrade?



Outflow and
BLR rotation?

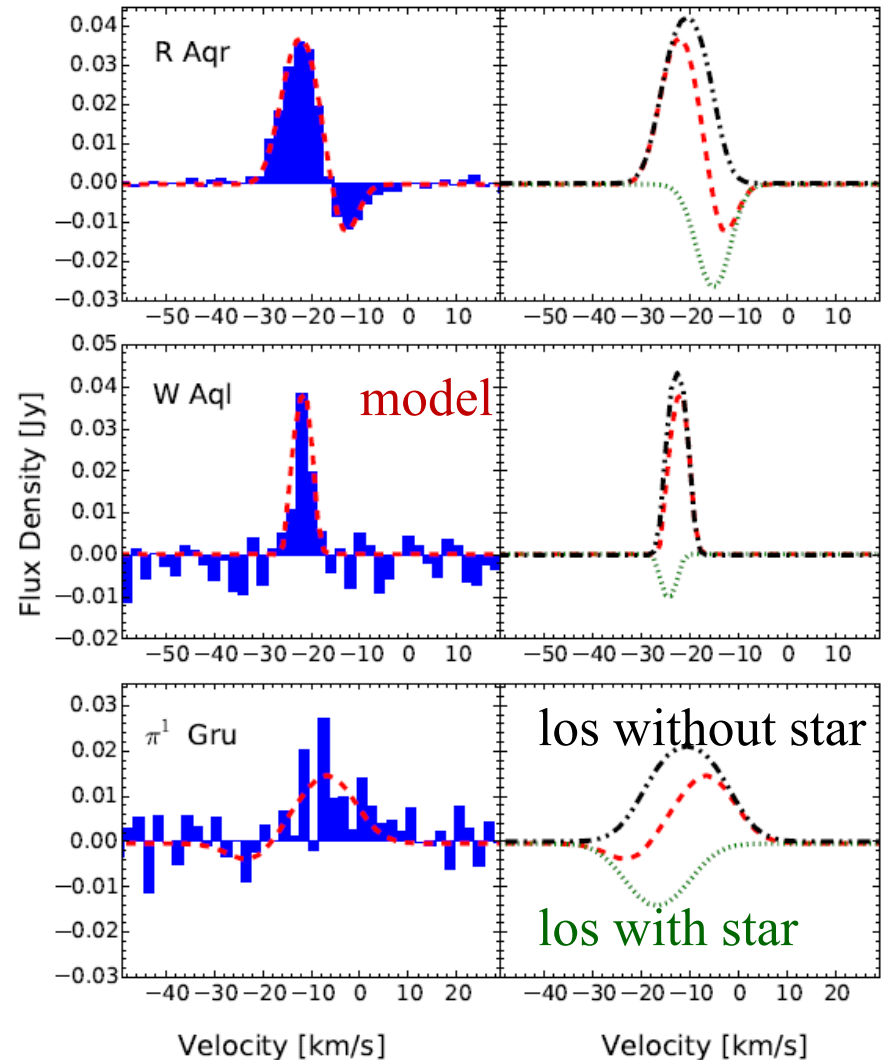
ALMA detection of CO $v=1$: AGB stars

CO $v = 1$ $J = 3 \rightarrow 2$ in 5 AGB stars
 Region between the surface and the
 wind starting place

Khoury et al 2016

	$v=1$	$v=0$
CO(1-0)	114.221752	115.271201
CO(2-1)	228.439074	230.537990
CO(3-2)	342.647636	345.795989
CO(4-3)	456.842977	461.040770
CO(5-4)	571.020677	576.267904
CO(6-5)	685.176392	691.473090
CO(7-6)	799.305677	806.651806
CO(8-7)	913.404136	921.799700

Gendriesch et al 2009



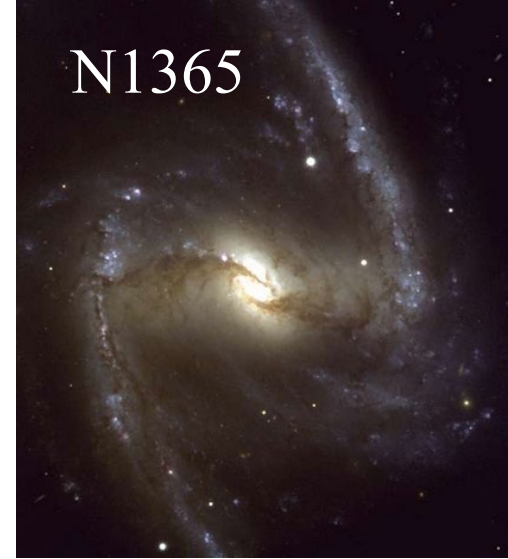
SUMMARY

→ **Fueling:** Primary bar drives gas to ILR → 100pc
Then nuclear bar from 100pc to 10pc

→ **Feedback:** molecular outflows due to AGN
Radio jets or winds (or both)

→ **Molecular tori: decoupling**

→ **GRAVITY+:** try to detect a hot and dense
BLR⁰, with broad lines, 10^5 - $10^6 M_{\odot}$



N1365 torus

