

REPORT ON THE RADIONET3 NETWORKING ACTIVITY

TITLE: NUCLEI OF SEYFERT GALAXIES AND QSOs - CENTRAL ENGINE & CONDITIONS OF STAR FORMATION

DATE: *6. – 8. Nov. 2012* **TIME:** (WHOLE DAY)

LOCATION: *BONN, GERMANY*

MEETING WEBPAGE <http://www.astro.uni-koeln.de/Seyfert2012>

HOST INSTITUTE: *I. PHYSIKALISCHES INSTITUT, UNIVERSITÄT ZU KÖLN &
MAX-PLANCK-INSTITUT FÜR RADIOASTRONOMIE*

PARTICIPANTS NO: *90*

REPORT:

1. Agenda and/or programme of the meeting

Please include the detailed agenda / programme of the event, including the title of the presentations and speakers (name/institutes/countries) when possible.

Please see Sect. 3 for affiliations.

Tuesday, Nov. 6

Session 1: Nearby galaxies and the Galactic Center

(Chairperson: S. Komossa)

09:00 S. Komossa, Welcome

09:15 C. Mundell, Galaxies and their nuclei (review)

09:45 M. Vitale, A statistical study on SDSS radio emitters

10:00 R. Capuzzo Dolcetta, The dense stellar systems around galactic massive black holes

10:15 A. Eckart, The Galactic Center as a paradigm for low-luminosity nuclei ?

10:30 M. Schartmann, Simulations of the origin and fate of the Galactic Center cloud G2

10:45-11:15 coffee break and poster viewing

11:15 A. Prieto, The central parsec of galaxies in the IR

11:30 D. Asmus, Mid-infrared properties of local active galactic nuclei at high-angular resolution

11:45 M. Bremer, The central 3 kpc of NGC 5850

12:00 S. Smajic, The central kiloparsec of edge-on AGN

12:15-14:00 lunch (reservation at MPIfR canteen: 12:45-14:00)

Session 2: Narrow-line Seyfert 1 galaxies

(Chairperson: B. Peterson)

14:00 L. Foschini, Powerful relativistic jets in narrow-line Seyfert 1 galaxies

14:30 D. Xu, NLS1 galaxy correlation space

14:45 A. Rodriguez-Ardila, Near-infrared FeII emission in IZw1 and other NLS1 galaxies

15:00 D. Ilic, The variability of the optical spectra of three type 1 AGNs

15:15-15:45 coffee break and poster viewing

15:45 M. Ward, A new determination of black hole spin for a NLS1

16:00 C. Done, Low black hole spin in some Narrow line Seyfert 1s

16:15 G. Orban de Xivry, Secular evolution in NLS1 galaxies and the growth of their black holes

16:30 M. Valencia-S, IRAS 01072+4954: A low-mass black hole with high accretion rate = NLSy1?

16:45 J. Zuther, NLS1s in a sample of low-z type-1 QSOs

Wednesday, Nov. 7**Session 3: Outflows, jets and feedback**
(Chairperson: M. Ward)

- 09:00 R. Morganti, Outflows, feedback, jets (review)
09:30 F. Hamann, The physics and physical properties of quasar outflows
09:45 Z. Paragi, Jet scaling relations in LLAGN: A VLBI view
10:00 M. Karouzos, Star-formation in the host galaxies of radio-AGN
10:15 L. Fuhrmann, The radio/gamma-ray connection: cm to short-mm band radio
and gamma-ray correlated variability in Fermi bright blazars
10:30 B. Rani, Rapid variability: what do we learn from correlated mm-/gamma-ray
variability in jets ?
10:45-11:15 coffee break and poster viewing
11:15 B. Husemann, The lack of QSO outflows and the suppression of star formation
in Seyfert galaxies
11:30 A. Tsai, The kpc-scale molecular outflows in two nearby starburst galaxies,
NGC 2146 and NGC 3628
11:45 A. Shulevski, AGN life cycles - the low frequency story as told by LOFAR
12:00 J.A. Fernández Ontiveros, The nature of the IR emission in LLAGNs at parsec
scales: does the jet dominate at low luminosities?

12:15-14:00 lunch (reservation at MPIfR canteen: 12:45-14:00)

Session 4: Seyferts and QSOs: BH masses, scaling relations, and star formation
(Chairperson: H. Netzer)

- 14:00 L. Wisotzki (review)
14:30 B. Peterson, Masses of Black Holes in Active Galactic Nuclei
14:45 J.-H. Woo, Do AGN and non-AGN galaxies have different M-sigma relations?
15:00 J. Kotilainen, Quasar host galaxies and environments in the SDSS Stripe 82
15:15-15:45 coffee break and poster viewing
15:45 K. Tristram, The properties of dusty tori in active galactic nuclei revealed by infrared
interferometry
16:00 Y. Toba, Luminosity dependent covering factor of the dust torus around AGN viewed
with AKARI and WISE
16:15 F. Pozo, Photometric reverberation mapping of 3C120
16:30 C. Bruckmann, Modelling reverberation data of 3C120 - evidence for a disk like BLR
16:45 S. Raimundo, Probing the inner regions of MCG-06-30-15: the link between AGN
activity and star formation
17:00 H. Flohic, Structure of the accretion flow at low accretion rates

19:30 Buffet dinner at the Chinese "Ocean Paradise"

Thursday, Nov. 8**Session 4, cont'd: Seyfert galaxies and QSOs**
(Chairperson: C. Mundell)

- 09:00 E. Bottacini, AGN in the local universe with the SIX survey: evolution and
circum-nuclear environment
09:15 G. La Mura, Nuclear activity and stellar mass in galaxies
09:30 L. Popovic, Spectral properties of a sample of type 1 AGNs: influence of star

formation

09:45 P.-C. Yu, Testing the evolutionary sequence between hidden broad line region (HBLR) and non-HBLR Seyfert 2 galaxies

Session 5: Galaxy mergers on all scales
(Chairperson: C. Mundell)

10:00 A. Alonso-Herrero, AGN and star formation activity in local luminous and ultraluminous infrared galaxies (review)

10:30 C. Villforth, Morphologies of low-redshift AGN host galaxies: what role does AGN luminosity play?

10:45-11:15 coffee break and poster viewing

11:15 S. König, The anatomy of polar ring minor merger systems: NGC 1614

11:30 M. Mezcuca, Merger-triggered AGN activity and binary SMBHs in the local universe: X-shaped radio galaxies and double-nucleus disk galaxies

11:45 D. Dicken, Star formation and mergers in nearby radio galaxies

12:00 S. Britzen, Searching for supermassive binary black holes with VLBI

12:15-14:00 lunch (reservation at MPIfR canteen: 12:45-14:00)

Session 6: Star formation and accretion at high redshift
(Chairperson: A. Eckart)

14:00 H. Netzer, Star formation and BH accretion at high redshift (review)

14:30 K. Denney, Measuring black hole masses at high redshift

14:45 D. Rosario, Star-formation in active galaxies to $z \sim 2$: a perspective from Herschel studies

15:00 C. Collet, Mechanical AGN feedback, from very powerful to moderately strong high-redshift radio galaxies

15:15-15:45 coffee break and poster viewing

15:45 F. Carrera, Submm-bright QSOs at $z \sim 2$: signposts of co-evolution at high z

16:00 S.X. Wang, AGN in submm galaxies - combining the power of Chandra and ALMA

16:15 M. Symeonidis, AGN in dusty hosts: implications for galaxy evolution

16:30 T. Urrutia, Feedback and accretion in young luminous quasars

16:45 D. Sluse, Probing the inner structure of distant AGNs with gravitational lensing

17:00 E. Angelakis, Properties of the radio jet emission of gamma-ray Narrow Line Seyfert 1s

17:15 farewell

2. Scientific Summary

The workshop “Nuclei of Seyfert galaxies and QOSs: Central engine and conditions of star formation” was anticipated to be a timely international meeting in the research field of active galaxies (AGN) and the interplay between the host galaxies and their central supermassive black hole (SMBH).

The workshop was very successful in terms of the number of participants (90) and the broad coverage of related topics. The workshop was also very well received by the participants. Topics ranged from the closest SMBHs (incl. the Galactic Center) out to high redshift AGN (cf., Sect. 1). The organizers were able to attract community-known colleagues to present reviews on the state-of-the-art of the individual subtopics. Furthermore, many international young researchers (PhD students and postdocs) were attracted to the workshop, which allowed for

fruitful discussions after the individual oral presentations and during the breaks (incl. poster presentations). This shows that the field is very lively and it became clear that the advent of high angular resolution across the electromagnetic spectrum (adaptive-optics assisted integral field spectroscopy [e.g., ESO-SINFONI and Gemini NIFS], very long baseline interferometry [VLBI]), as well as, of massive panchromatic galaxy surveys (e.g., COSMOS, SDSS) open up new views on the galaxy/AGN population, and allow to improve our understanding of their cosmic evolution. Special mention should go to presentations of results of the new ESO-ALMA interferometer and space-based telescopes like Herschel and WISE.

A key theme during the session on *nearby galaxies* was the quest for ever higher angular resolution; achievable in the radio regime, or in the infrared by interferometric methods, tracing regions of the scale of a few pc, and allowing to resolve the molecular torus in a couple of the nearest AGN. Current results on the closest galactic nucleus, the Galactic Center (GC) were presented, in particular the object (potential gas/dust cloud), which is approaching the GC mid of next year and we probably will be able to witness its tidal disruption in the gravitational potential of the SMBH at the Galactic Center.

One session focussed on the *class of NLS1 galaxies*, with their extreme multi-wavelength properties; especially the recent discovery of relativistic jets in a fraction of them, seen in the radio and gamma-ray regime. The question what drives them is still open. Other contributions focused on the remarkable multi-wavelength properties of NLS1s, concluding that high Eddington ratios and host properties (low NLR density) are major factors. Further, a new accretion-disk model was presented, which was then used to infer SMBH spin, based on spectral energy distributions, with the surprising result, that SMBH spin is very low.

One session was devoted to *jets, outflows and feedback*. Feedback appears to play a major role in explaining the SMBH/host scaling relations, and a key question has been, whether radiative feedback (from an accretion disk), or mechanical feedback from radio jets is the dominant mechanism. Results presented at the workshop indicate that both modes are important. For instance, a sample of high-redshift radio-galaxies shows extreme emission-line outflows, and the jets turn out to be powerful enough to drive them.

One major theme was SMBH-mass estimates, SMBH / host-galaxy scaling relations, and possible drivers of the (co-)evolution of galaxies and their SMBHs (*Seyferts and QSOs*). The status on measuring SMBH masses from "reverberation mapping" was reviewed. While there are now about 30 nearby AGN with relatively well determined BH masses, a much larger database is needed for careful calibration. While spectroscopic reverberation mapping is time consuming, results from the new method of "photometric reverberation mapping" were presented in two contributions.

Concerning the SMBH/host scaling relations, three key questions were discussed, with the following answers:

- *Do active and non-active galaxies show the same relation?* Likely, yes.
- *Is there a dependence on SMBH mass?* There is some evidence, that SMBHs are over-massive in the largest hosts
- *Is there an evolution with redshift, as has been previously claimed?* This is still uncertain; indications for deviations can well be due to selection effects.

A key theme in the AGN session, including the *high redshift* session was the question, how AGN activity is triggered; especially whether mergers are important/required. This was addressed by studying the nearest neighbour statistics, or by measuring the structure of the host galaxy (disturbed morphologies from mergers vs. bar fraction). The conclusion was that there is apparently no unique mechanism that triggers AGN activity, but several are at work. Mergers dominate at the highest AGN luminosities. Furthermore, some evidence for recurring

activity in radio galaxies was presented (i.e., more than one phase of activity), and it was discussed, how this question can be further addressed with LOFAR.

A further session was dedicated to *galaxy mergers*. A key question was related to the power mechanism of luminous and ultra-luminous IR galaxies (star formation vs. AGN). Usually, star formation dominates, while at higher IR luminosities, AGN become more important. Another topic was the search for supermassive binary BHs (BBHs), and the challenges faced when interpreting light curves and jet-structures to uniquely identify BBHs.



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3. Attendance list (incl. participant names, affiliation and country) signed by the participants and confirmed by the organizer

In case of heavy burden with collecting all participant signatures, an attendance list confirmed only by the organizer could be accepted

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4. Financial Report / RadioNet3 contribution.

The RadioNet3 contribution to the workshop encompassed travel support for a few young researchers and amounts to 1100€.

We awarded the available funding to seven participants, reflecting the distribution of countries. With the funds, we could cover the workshop fee for every of the seven participants. For two of the participants, we used the remaining 400€ (200€ each) for travel support.

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5. Conference Proceedings and Web page

The workshop webpage is <http://www.astro.uni-koeln.de/Seyfert2012>.

Proceedings of the workshop will be published online in “Proceedings of Science”. The proceedings web page is <http://pos.sissa.it/cgi-bin/reader/conf.cgi?confid=169>.

The current deadline for submission of contributions is 31st of January 2013.

The organizers introduced a list of “key questions” (<http://www.astro.uni-koeln.de/node/718>), which were/are supposed to trigger a critical discussion about important issues in the field of AGN research. The participants were asked to address the questions in their proceedings contribution or send the organizers a dedicated email. The goal is to provide a conference summary article compiling the views and showing up possibilities for synergies and/or new approaches to certain aspects.

1. What have we learned from observations of the Galactic center and the nearby galaxies about accretion onto SMBHs, circumnuclear star formation and their relation?
2. Are NLS1s a “special class” of AGN?
3. How are jets and outflows related to the accretion radiative efficiency and the black hole spin?
4. What is the structure of the BLR and how is it connected to the (toroidal) obscuration?
5. How much can we trust the different black hole mass estimation methods?
6. Do non-HBLR exist or is the lack of broad lines in these objects a matter of observational biases (e.g., spatial resolution, sensitivity)?
7. What is the character of the AGN - star formation relation at low/high redshifts: coincidental, causal, self-regulated?