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How did the first Black Holes form, grow and evolve?



What do we know about early SMBHs?



The challenge of the first quasars

N~50-60 QSO at z>6 from optical and NIR surveys (SDSS, CFHQS, UKIDSS)



The challenge of the first quasars: BH Formation

Constraints on BH formation scenario:

- 1. Un-interrupted Eddington limited accretion from z=20 to z=6-7
- 2. Low radiative efficency
- 3. BH seeds: PopIII stars or core collapse clouds (Volonteri 2010; Loeb & Rasio 1994; Begelman et al. 2006; Regan & Haehnelt 2009; many others)



The challenge of the first quasars: Host Galaxy Connection

BH to galaxy mass ratio is off the extrapolation from the local relation:

- BH is growing first and the galaxy assembly later (DOMINANCE SCENARIO)
- Intense SF episodes (1000 M_{sun}/yr) or super solar metallicities can lead to a relatively fast growth of the host (Mor +2012; Wang+2013; Calura+2014; Leipski+2014)
- Supercritical accretion model (*Volonteri* +2015)





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- \rightarrow Need X-rays to get the dominant (80-90%), obscured BH population
- → Obscured fraction is constant (or even increase) with redshift (e.g. Hasinger 2008) therefore we are missing a large population of obscured sources





Importance of X-ray selection

Number of AGN/QSO selected using different wavelenghts (low-z compilation in the COSMOS field)



Evolution of QSO space density

SDSS sources with Lbol=10⁴⁷ erg/s



Evolution of QSO space density



2-more numerous

Hasinger 2008

Optical Space density at z>3



McGreer+2013



X-ray AGN Space density at z>3



Marchesi, Civano+ to be sub.

- → COSMOS: ~200 X-ray selected AGN
- → Largest sample in the X-ray band to be compared with few x 1000s in optical

→Downsizing as observed in the optical

→Optical surveys miss the obscured AGN population

See also, Brusa+ 2009, Civano+ 2011, Ueda+ 2014, Kalfountzou, FC+ 2014, Vito+ 2014

X-ray versus Optical: faint end and controversial results

Giallongo et al. 2015: 6 X-ray detected z>5 AGN in CDFS (4Ms) Weigel et al. 2015: NO X-ray detected z>5 AGN in CDFS (4Ms)



Ricci, Marchesi, Civano+ ApJ in prep.



The problem of obscured AGN

- Spectra like normal Lyman Break Galaxies at z=2
- NOT EASY TO RECOGNIZE USING COLOR-COLOR SELECTION!



Kalfountzou, Civano et al. in prep.

The role of X-ray Surveyor

- Providing large samples at low-L (small mass)
- Detecting the missing obscured sources
- Positional accuracy to λλλ identify the X-ray sources

→Large fov & high speed
→Large Effective Area
→High Spatial Resolution



Spatial Resolution is critical for Ids

XMM-COSMOS versus Chandra COSMOS Legacy

(Brusa+2010 Civano+ 2012)



JWST galaxy density at the limit: $\sim 2 \times 10^6$ gal/deg2 = 0.15 gal/arcsec² (Windhorst et al 2006)

→ 4 galaxies in a 5" beam; <1 galaxy in X-ray Surveyor beam (*Vikhlinin+2014*)

Current Surveys Sensitivity





Luminosity vs. Redshift



Summary of X-ray high-z detections

COSMOS 9 (2) sources at z>5 4 (0) sources at z>6

CDFS 5 (0) sources at z>5

2 (0) sources at z>6

Stripe 82 1 source at z>5

Adapted from Marchesi, Civano+ 2015 submitted

Future Surveys Sensitivity



The First Black Holes



The First BHs: predictions (1)



The First BHs: predictions (2)



The First BHs: predictions (3)



Many tens at Lbol~10^{43.5} erg/s BH masses of **10⁶ -10⁷**

Many hundreds Lbol~10^{44.5} erg/s BH masses of **10⁷ -10⁸**

Summary

- **BIG Q:** Estimate of the volume density of faint AGN/QSO at high z have important implications concerning the abundance and mass of BH seeds and their early growth
- Current view of z>6 active BH: optical/IR bright surveys
- Biased towards bright and unobscured sources → Biased AGAINST less massive BHs
- Missing a significant component detectable exclusively in the X-ray band
- Deep & Wide X-ray Surveys in conjunction with future optical/IR surveys
- Spatial resolution to pin-point the $\lambda\lambda\lambda$ counterpart

