Feeding and Feedback in Radio Galaxies and Mergers: an X-ray Perspective

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Flavors of black hole feedback

Relativistic jets

Disk winds

Large program Chandra HETG, 3C 390.3, 3C 120, 3C 111
 Most radio-loud AGN are (minor) mergers (Chiaberge et al. 2015)
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Feeding: Fe K emission lines in 3C 120



 Series of neutral/ionized Fe K lines (including Fe K Compton shoulder) • Fe Kα FWHM~2,300 km/s, comparable to optical BLR (i~20°) • R=0.22±0.04, N_H>6x10²⁴ cm⁻² • Compton thick equatorial clumps? Ionized emitter logξ~3.7 at <~2pc Ionized absorber v_{out}~20,000 km/s, $\log \xi \sim 3.5 \text{ erg s}^{-1} \text{ cm}, N_{H} \sim 3 \times 10^{21} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ • Emission/absorption from disk wind? (Tombesi et al. 2017)

Feeding: Fe K emission lines in 3C 390.3



Fe Kα E=6.40±0.4 keV, FWHM=8,300±3,300 km/s
Lowly ionized, high column (*xillver*) reflection logξ=1.3±0.3 erg s⁻¹ cm
Line width consistent with optical Hα, origin in BLR or outer accretion disk?

Feedback: soft X-ray emission lines in 3C 390.3



Series of emission lines due to Fe L transitions (Fe XVII-XVIII)
Hot ISM emission, kT=0.5±0.1 keV, FWHM ~ 3,000 km/s
Luminosity L_{ISM}~3x10⁴² erg/s, t_{cool} ~10⁷⁻⁸ yrs. What is the heating source?
Mechanical energy from AGN jet/disk wind is L_K ~10⁴⁴⁻⁴⁵ erg/s F. Tombesi – The X-ray Universe 2017, Rome, Italy

Feedback: soft X-ray absorption lines in 3C 390.3



(Tombesi et al. 2016)

Series of absorption lines from higher Fe L transitions (Fe XVIII, Fe XIX, Fe XX)
 Warm absorber? logN_H=20.7±0.1 cm⁻², logξ=2.3±0.5, v_{out}< 150 km s⁻¹
 R~3.5pc-3.5kpc, P_{wa}~0.001% L_{bol}

Feedback: soft X-ray emission lines in 3C 120



 Emission lines, possibly from OVII/VIII and Fe L (Fe XVI/XVII/XVIII) Hot gas T~10⁷ K, broad emission line FWHM~2400 km/s • $L_{hot} \sim 1.5 \times 10^{42} \text{ erg/s}, t_{cool} \sim 10^{6-7} \text{ yrs}$ Consistent with expanding ~kpc scale hot bubble with shock velocity ~1000 km/s Bubble inflated by AGN winds/jets?

(Tombesi et al. 2017)

Ultrafast outflows in radio galaxies



Hot bubble inflated by black hole winds/jets?

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(credit: NASA/GSFC)

Excess Galactic Molecular Absorption in 3C111



(Tombesi et al. 2017)

• Atomic HI from radio surveys $N_H = 3x10^{21} \text{ cm}^{-2} + \text{extra } N_H = 4.4x10^{21} \text{ cm}^{-2}$ • Line of sight absorption from the Taurus molecular cloud in the Milky Way • Need to consider total Galactic column density of $N_H = 7.4x10^{21} \text{ cm}^{-2}$!!

Active Galaxy

Thank you for your attention!

Supermassive Black Hole

Jet

Wind