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Two Scenarios (Suspects)

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More Evidences

3=>36 observations



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36 Observations & RGS spectrum



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A single mechanism

on second thought

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Hanny's Voorwerp

 [OIII] bright, found in 2007

IC2497 was a quasar
 ~0.1 Myrs ago

 Ionizing Luminosity was >10⁴⁵ erg s⁻¹ (Lintott+2009)

8 More Quenched AGNs

Hubble News Release, 2015



A quenched AGN in M31?

 The molecular gas in the center of M31 is less than a tenth of that in the Galactic center (Melchior & Combes 2017; Li et al. 2019): exhausted by the past AGN activity?

Fermi Bubbles in M31? (Pshirkov et al. 2016)

An AGN Relic Model: (Turn ON AGN give) Luminosity



An AGN Relic Model: (Turn OFF AGN give) **Time**





A past AGN





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AGN

Summary

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Luminosity



Now AGN

Past AGN