# Lessons on AGN from X-ray surveys



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# AGN in a cosmological framework

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- 3) Large scale galaxies properties strongly depend on SMBH mass

### AGN are key ingredient in galaxy formation

(see F. Fontanot & F. Fiore review)

population studies --> SURVEYS details on the physics --> OBJECT by OBJECT

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# **AGN emission**

AGN emission is observed over the entire electromagnetic spectrum

Different wavelengths sample different emission processes and emission regions

X-ray emission sample the innermost regions (<10<sup>-2</sup> pc, <1000 R<sub>s</sub>)

(see F. Pozzi review for IR)

courtesy A.Merloni, S. Bonoli, ESO Graphics



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# Known "missing": Compton Thick

"Local" / bright (flux>1e-12 cgs) samples best studied with higher energy observatories (Swift/BAT and INTEGRAL/IBIS - huge discovery space opened with Nustar)

High-z samples may be recovered from IR selection (absorbed radiation re-emitted in the IR) --> many criteria have been proposed since the advent of Spitzer (Lacy+04, Stern+05, Hatziminaoglou+05, Daddi+07, Fiore+08... Luo+11, Donley+12, Severgnini+12)

Main issue is contamination from non AGN sources (Starbursts) Crucial role of X-ray stacking in validating the samples

Stack of Chandra images of CT candidates from MIR/optical diagnostics diagrams (Fiore+09)



from CT AGN fraction --> CT AGN space densities (see also G. Melini talk!)



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# **Comparison of AGN selection**



# key observable

**COSMOS field, 2 deg<sup>2</sup>** (Scoville+07)

XMM 1.55 MS (Hasinger+07, Cappelluti+07,09) down to ~1e-15 cgs Chandra 1.8 MS (Elvis+09, Puccetti+09) down to ~2e-16 cgs



CDFS 1-2-4Ms ~0.1 deg2, -4e-17 cgs Clacconi+ 2002, Luo+ 2008, Xue+2011,Xue+2012) (MM 3Ms (Comastri+2011)



- luminosity functions (counting)
- clustering (correlating)
- accretion properties (spectral analysis)
- host galaxies properties
  - (looking at other wave)
- morphologies (looking at high-res)
- rare objects (isolating unique sources)

Only two among the many (~40) XMM & Chandra surveys in russian-doll style (Alexander & Brandt 2010)

All wavelengths, very deep coverage available, public resources



Review of results most relevant in constraining models of AGN-galaxy co-evolution

# Luminosity functions (and obscured fractions)

Fotopoulou et al. 2012 (5-10 keV) Burlon et al. 2011 (Swift/BAT) Brusa et al. 2010 (XMM-COSMOS)

### A decade of 2-10 keV X-ray LF

### courtesy S. Fotopoulou / MPE



All LF works heavily rely on SOURCE identifications and REDSHIFT information... huge works from mw campaigns, photo-z, statistical tools for ID, etc.

### **Accretion and star formation histories**

### **AGN downsizing**

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Allevato et al. 2011, 2012

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# AGN clustering

# X-ray selected BL AGN reside in more massive halos than optically selected

<logM> ~13-13.5 (XMM)<logM> ~12-.5-13 (optical)

bias estimate from XMM-COSMOS **not compatible with Shen (2009) models** - major mergers triggering and flat lightcurves



# obscured and unibscured AGN have different clustering properties (zero-th order unified scheme is not enough)

# **AGN cross-clustering**



#### **AGN-galaxy groups cross-correlations**

Group catalog: Finoguenov et al. in prep AGN catalogs: Brusa+2010, Civano+2012 AGN occupation of galaxy groups as a function of DM halo mass

the larger, the higher of the order of 5% at logM=13-14

SED studies (accretion and host galaxies properties)

Lusso et al. (2011,2012) - Type 1 and 2 AGN bolometric corrections Hao et al. (2010) - Hot Dust Poor Quasars Mainieri et al. (2011) - QSO2 in COSMOS

Santini et al. (2012) - PEP/Herschel data of GOODS+COSMOS AGN

Feasible thanks to complete mw information over entire electromagnetic spectrum and in particular Herschel data

# **Host/AGN decomposition**

(particularly) important for moderate & high-lum obscured QSO and unobs AGN (all lum) when NO FIR/Herschel information is available

Bongiorno+2012(full XMM) - see Angela talk!

#### Lusso+2011 (Type2)



see also Merloni+2010 (BL AGN), Pozzi+2007,2010; Gruppioni+2010; Santini+2012 Polletta+, Cardamone+2010, Rovilos+2012, Hainline+2012, Elvis+2012, Sazonov+2012

> Output parameters: HOST: M\*, SFR, colors AGN: L<sub>bol</sub>, k<sub>bol</sub>, L/L<sub>Edd</sub> (if BH mass vailable)

# alpha\_ox & bolometric corrections



alpha\_ox /Lx relation different for X-ray and optical selected samples (Lusso+2010)

alpha\_ox & k<sub>bol</sub> correlates with L/L<sub>Edd</sub> --> efficient accretion and more prominent big blue bump see also Marchese et al. 2012

Lower bolometric correction for Type2 AGN --> lower L/L<sub>Edd</sub> for obscured AGN (see also Trump+2010)



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SFR should be tested/validated against FAR-IR --> Herschel/FIR data crucial!

BH masses should be higher (or the same) in passive QSO2 (subsequent phase) than in SF QSO2 --> IR (SINFONI, Xshooter, LUCIFER) spectroscopy for selected sample to observe Halpha (3 nights @X-Shooter next February)

Gas mass in SF QSO2 (still available) should be higher than in passive QSO2 (already diminished/exhausted) --> IRAM and ALMA CO luminosities vs. LIR (ALMA Cycle 1 proposal submitted)

# **Enhanced SFR in AGN hosts?**

### Santini+2012 (GOODS & COSMOS)



(see also Silverman+2009, Xue+2010, Mullaney+2011)

AGN are responsible for the reversal of the SFR-density relation (Popesso et al. 2011)

Evidence for enhancement: - GOODS (low-Lx): SFR in AGN hosts broadly consistent with that observed in "inactive" galaxies (modest) enhancement observed only in low-mass samples

- COSMOS (high-Lx): SFR in AGN hosts ~0.6 dex higher than in "inactive" galaxies, at all z/masses

> different enhancements at low and at high-L consistent with two different modes of SF and BH growth

high-L: major mergers

low-L: **smooth accretion** (or mergers with delay in SB and AGN phases)

# dall'orizzonte cosmologico all'orizzonte degli eventi

Civano et al. (2011) - High-z sources Iwasawa et al. (2012) - Iron line stacking

# "orizzonte cosmologico"

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- **★**X-ray selection makes up the most of AGN, multiwavelength (especially IR) essential to complete the census
- ★X-ray luminosities function studies provide an important, independent evidence that our general BH-galaxy co-evolution picture is correct (AGN downsizing)
- ★Clustering studies turned out to be crucial in fine tuning AGN-galaxy coevolution parameters
- detailed SED studies essential to constrain bolometric output (and reveal "new" populations, e.g. HDP)
- ★Host galaxies of z>1 obscured AGN show both high, dust obscured starforming galaxies and passive ellipticals
- ★High-z (z>3) source counts and stacking results constraints for galaxycoevolution models; perspectives for large area and deep X-ray surveys (e.g. Chandra XVP)
- ★X-ray surveys future ? Nustar & eROSITA (all sky) --> G. Matt talk

# Thanks

"We have to remember that what we observe it is not Nature in itself, but Nature exposed to our method of questioning" (W. Heisenberg)