# Quasar feedback in the early Universe: SDSS J1148+5251





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## OUTLINE

- A model for the formation and evolution of high-z quasars: GAMETE/QSODUST
- A pilot study: SDSS J1148 at z=6.4
- Model results: chemical evolution of J1148
- Implications for Quasar feedback

## **GAMETE/QSOdust**

A semi-analytical hierchical model for the formation & evolution of high-z quasars RV, Schneider, Salvadori, Bianchi 2011

> extensive parameter space exploration → Investigation of several QSO evolutionary scenarios:

• several merger histories of the given host dark matter halo

- different plausible SFHs: star formation in quiescent and/or merger-driven bursts
- different properties of the stellar populations (IMFs): standard and/or "top-heavy"
- BH growth via gas accretion and mergers
- BH feedback → Energy driven galactic scale wind
- chemical enrichment (metals and dust) on the stellar characteristic timescales

 dust formation in both the main stellar dust sources: AGB stars & SNe (RV, Schneider, Bianchi, Andersen 2009)
dust destruction by SN shocks and grain growth in molecular clouds

### **Quasar & SN driven gas outflow**

Valiante et al. 2011, 2012

**Energy-driven galaxy scale winds** 

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$$dM_{ej}(t)/dt = dM_{ej,SN}(t)/dt + dM_{ej,AGN}(t)/dt,$$

$$\frac{dM_{\rm ej,AGN}}{dt} = 2\epsilon_{\rm w,AGN}\epsilon_{\rm r} \left(\frac{c}{v_{\rm e}}\right)^2 \dot{M}_{\rm accr}$$

$$\frac{dM_{\rm ej,SN}}{dt} = \frac{2\epsilon_w E_{\rm SN}}{v_{\rm e}^2} R_{\rm SN}(t),$$

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- Dynamical mass M<sub>dyn</sub> ~ 5.5×10<sup>10</sup> M<sub>sun</sub> (Walter et al. 2004)
- Stellar mass  $M_{star} = M_{dyn} M_{H2} \sim 3.9 \times 10^{10} M_{sun}$  (Walter et al. 2004)
- Metallicity **Z/Z**<sub>sun</sub> = **1.32**<sup>+1.57</sup><sub>-1.10</sub> (Matsuoka et al. 2009)
- Dust mass  $M_{dust} = (2-5) \times 10^8 M_{sun}$  (Bertoldi et al. 2003; Beelen et al. 2006; Valiante et al. 2011)

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### **J1148: testing different scenarios**

### • SFH $\rightarrow$ SFR(z) = $f_* M_{gas}(z)$ quiescent vs bursted $f_* = (\varepsilon_q + \varepsilon_b) / \tau_{dyn}$ ( $\varepsilon_b = 0$ ) ( $\varepsilon_b > 0$ )

### • Increasing SF eff. : $low-f_* \rightarrow intermediate-f_* \rightarrow high-f_*$

• IMF  $\rightarrow \varphi(m) \propto m^{-1.35} exp(-m_{ch}/m)$  standard VS top-heavy (m<sub>ch</sub> = 0.35 M<sub>sun</sub>) (m<sub>ch</sub> = 5.0 M<sub>sun</sub>)

### **Results:** The M<sub>BH</sub> – M<sub>star</sub> relation

The  $M_{BH} - M_{star}$  relation

Marconi & Hunt 2003



**Quiescent SFH models** 

Q1  $\rightarrow$  low-f<sub>\*</sub> (top-heavy IMF) Q2  $\rightarrow$  intermediate-f<sub>\*</sub>

**Bursted SFH models** 

B1 → low-f<sub>\*</sub> (top-heavy IMF) B3 → high-f<sub>\*</sub>

### **RESULTS: The chemical evolution**



Quiescent (Bursted) SFHs with a standard IMF reproduce the observed dust mass if <u>a factor</u> of ~ 3 (10) larger stellar mass is produced

Quiescent and bursted low-f<sub>\*</sub> models reproduce the mass of metals and dust ONLY with a <u>top-heavy IMF</u> ( $m_{ch} = 5 M_{sun}$ )

### - J1148: Quasar-driven gas outflow at z>6

RV, Schneider, Maiolino, Salvadori, Bianchi 2012



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Massive outflow rate > 3500 M<sub>sun</sub>/yr in J1148 (Maiolino et al 2012)



**Quasar-dominated gas outflow** 

### Conclusions

Models aimed at interpreting the observed dynamical ( $M_{BH}$ ,  $M_{star}$ ) and chemical ( $M_{met}$ ,  $M_{dust}$ ) properties of QSOs at z>6 predict that:

- Large outflows are launched during the latest  $\sim$  (100 200) Myr of the evolution independently of the SF efficiency and IMF
- The gas outflow rate is in good agreement with the > 3500  $M_{sun}/yr$  rate inferred for J1148 by Maiolino et al. (2012)
- The gas outflow is dominated by QSO feedback leading to a down-turn in the star formation rate at z < 7 8
- Supernova explosions give a negligible contribution to the observed winds at z= 6.4

