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Physical Properties of z ≈ 6 Quasars

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Observations of more than 100 $z \approx 6$ quasars











ULAS J1120



PSO J215

Current record holder



Quasar J1342 + 0928 at z = 7.54

Banados et al. (2018)

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Cosmic reionization

Fan et al. 2006, Gallerani et al. 2006, 2008a,b, Mesinger et al. 2010, Greig et al. 2017

Metal enrichment

D'Odorico et al. 2013, Pallottini et al. 2014

Quasar environment

Kim et al. 2006, Banados et al. 2013, Morselli et al. 2014, Balmaverde et al. 2017

High-z dust properties

Maiolino et al. 2004, Gallerani et al. 2010

BH and host galaxy properties

Maiolino et al. 2006, Gallerani et al. 2012, Riechers et al. 2007, Gallerani et al. 2014, Venemans et al. 2017

Galaxy-BH co-evolution

Maiolino et al. 2012, Cicone et al. 2015, Barai et al. 2017 Cosmological scales (1-100 Mpc)

Galactic scales (10 pc-10 kpc)

See Gallerani, Fan, Maiolino, Pacucci (2017) for a recent review, arXiv:1702.06123

Black hole mass measurements in z ≈ 6 quasars



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How SMBHs have formed in less than 1 Gyr?

Possible pathways for the origin of SMBH seeds

(1) PopIII remnants

collapse of primordial stars

(M_{PopIII}>100 M_{sun})

in DM minihalos

(M_{DM}≈10⁶ M_{sup})

(2) Compact nuclear star clusters

Star collisions can lead to the formation of VMSs

(3) Direct Collapse Black Holes

Primordial gas irradiated by LW radiation in atomic-cooling halos

z > 10

z≈20-30

z ≈10-20

redshift 20 10 30 z ≈ 3300 (e.g. Zel'dovich & Novikov 1967; Hawking 1971; Chapline et al. z≈6-7 10⁸ (4) Primordial Black Holes 1975; Bernal et al. 2017) **QSO** observations (e.g. Haehnelt & Rees 1993; Direct collapse of 10⁶ $M_{seed} [M_{sun}]$ Yue et al. 2013; Pallottini et al. 2017; primordial density Pacucci et al. 2017) M_{seed}≈10⁴-10⁶ M_{sun} inhomogeneities (e.g. Schneider et al. 2006; 10^{4} M_{seed}≈1000 M_{sun} Clark et al. 2008; $z > 2.3 \times 10^4 h^2 \Omega_m$ Devecchi et al. 2012) (radiation-dominated era) 10^{2} M_{seed}≈50-100 M_{sun} (e.g. Tegmark et al. 1997; Madau & Rees 2001; 10⁰ Bromm et al. 2002) 0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8 1.0 Age of the Universe [Gyr]

Searching for SMBH progenitors



STEP 3

Predictions for observational signatures of SMBH progenitors (ALMA, JWST, Lynx)

STEP 2

Numerical simulations of quasars (100 < z < 6) constrained by means of $z \approx 6$ observations

STEP 1

Multi-wavelength observations of z≈6 quasars

Sinergy between multi-wavelength data & cosmological simulations

Far infrared emission lines: tracers of the ISM

Fine structure transitions from heavy elements (e.g. [CII] (²P_{3/2}-²P_{1/2}) @158 μm) and rotational transitions from molecules (e.g. CO (J-J-1) @ J × 115 GHz) on the top of the **FIR BUMP**



Detectable with ALMA/NOEMA at z>4





 L_{CO} - M_{H2} relation



Sub-mm observations of $z \approx 6$ quasar host galaxies



Quasar host galaxies harbor intense starbursts

 $\mathrm{SFR}\sim 10^2\text{--}10^3~\mathrm{M_{sun}~yr^{-1}}$

 ${
m M_{H2}}\sim 10^9 {
m -} 10^{10}\,{
m M_{sun}}$

$$M_{dust} \sim 10^7 \text{--} 10^8 M_{sun}$$

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The case of SDSS J1148 + 5251 at $z \approx 6.4$



FIRST [CII] EVER DETECTED AT HIGH-z

(Maiolino et al. 2005)

FIRST RESOLVED CO MAP AT HIGH-z

(Walter et al. 2009)

(PdBI) [CII] emission in J1148 at $z \approx 6.4$



Broad wings extended up to ± 1300 km/s

indication of a powerful outflow

Evidence of strong quasar feedback at z≈6

[CII] emission in a quasar at $z \approx 6.4$



Metals and outflowing gas are distributed on scales ≥ 20 - 30 kpc

What about other z ≈ 6 quasars?



No detection of outflows either in individual sources (23 detected in [CII]) or in the stacked spectrum



S/N ratio? Orientation effects?

Decarli et al. (2018)

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10 times fainter than J1148 Broad components detected in 2 quasars

Carniani et al. in prep.

6 times less extended than J1148

CO emission in J1148 at $z \approx 6.4$



The CO(17-16) is the most excited CO line found in $z \approx 6$ quasars

CO Spectral Line Energy Distribution in J1148



The XDR contribution is required to explain the detection of the CO(17-16) line

ALMA observations of high-J CO lines in $z \approx 6$ quasars



Dust continuum detected in both quasars at all frequencies No detection of high-J (J≥10) CO lines in both quasars **Detection of CO(8-7) and CO(9-8) in J2310**

Comparison with COSLEDs observed in the local Universe and in J1148



Results for J2310 and J1319 are consistent with local sources

The CO(17-16) emission line of **J1148** is > 3σ brighter than the averaged CO SLED of local

What is the origin of these differences?

Mechanisms responsible for molecular gas excitation: Star formation, AGN activity, Shocks

• **Star formation**: The properties of J1148, J2310, and J1310 are quite similar in terms of FIR emission (SFRs). If high-J CO lines are predominantly excited by star formation activity, we should have observed in J2310 and J1319 high-J CO lines as luminous as in J1148.



	J2310	J1319	J1148
$\rm Log(SFR_{FIR}/M_{\odot}~yr^{-1})^{(1)}$	$3.45^{+0.11}_{-0.09}$	3.6 ± 0.3	3.51 ± 0.14
$ \begin{array}{c} L_{C II}^{(2)} [10^{9} \ L_{\odot}] \\ \dot{M}_{outflow}^{(3)} [M_{\odot} \ yr^{-1}] \\ L_{X \ rm}^{(4)} [10^{45} \ erg \ s^{-1}] \end{array} $	8.7 ± 1.4 No outflow	4.4 ± 0.9 ~10 x lower	37 ± 9 ~3000 $1.4^{+0.4}$
$M_{BH}^{(5)}$ [10 ⁹ M _{\odot}]	2.8	2.1	3

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• **AGN** activity: Strong high-J CO lines can be excited in X-ray dominated regiong. J1148 is the only quasar among the three for which X-ray observations are available.



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$$L_X ≈ 1.5 × 10^{45} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$$

 $\alpha_{OX} = -1.76 \pm 0.14$
 $\Gamma = 1.6 \pm 0.3$

X-ray properties consistent both with low-z high-luminosity AGN

X-ray properties of z ≈ 6 luminous quasars



<u>AVERAGE VALUES</u> $L_x = (0.1-4.2) \times 10^{45} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$



 $\frac{J1148}{L_{X}} \approx 1.5 \times 10^{45} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$

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From the best-fit relation α_{ox} - $L_{2500~\text{\AA}}$

 α_{ox} = (-0.155 ± 0.003) log(L_{2500Å}) + (3.206 ± 0.103)

 $L_{2500 \text{ Å}} = 10^{32} \text{ erg s}^{-1} \text{ Å}^{-1} \rightarrow \alpha_{ox} = -1.75$

X-ray properties consistent both with low-z high-luminosity AGN and other $z \approx 6$ quasars

Mechanisms responsible for molecular gas excitation: Star formation, AGN activity, Shocks

 Shocks: High temperatures associated to shocks can also be responsible for boosting the luminosity of high-J CO lines. In this context, it is remarkable that, while J1148 exhibits a massive, powerful outflow, in the other sources no such strong outflows have been found. Indeed, broad wings in the [CII] profile have been observed only in J1319, yielding an outflow rate ~10 times smaller than that found in J1148.



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The broad component of J1148 is more than 10 times the one detected in J1319

[CII] and CO(6-5) emission from field galaxies



Serendipitous discovery of galaxy companions in z≈ 6 quasars

(see also e.g. Gallerani et al. 2012, Trakhtenbrot et al. 2017 for z≈ 4-5 quasars)

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STAR FORMATION: (n > 0.1 cm⁻³) - SN FEEDBACK BLACK HOLE SEEDING: $10^5 M_{sun}$ BH in $M_{DM} > 10^9 M_{sun}$ BLACK HOLE GROWTH: Gas accretion and galaxy merging \dot{M}_B (Bondi & Hoyle 1944; Hoyle & Lyttleton 1939)

 $\dot{M}_{Bondi} = \alpha \frac{4\pi G^2 M_{BH}^2 \rho_{gas}}{(c^2 + v_{BH-gas}^2)^{3/2}}$



QUASAR FEEDBACK

Quasar feedback energy is distributed as kinetic energy We have assumed a bi-conical and spherical geometry Surrounding **gas is driven outward** $(v_{outflow}, \dot{M}_{outflow}) \quad v_{outflow} = 10^4 \text{ km/s}$ $\frac{1}{2} \dot{M}_{outflow} v_{outflow}^2 = \dot{E}_{feed}$ $\dot{\downarrow}$ $\dot{M}_{outflow} = 2 \varepsilon_{feed} \varepsilon_{rad} \dot{M}_{BH} \left(\frac{c}{v_{outflow}}\right)^2$

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BLACK HOLE MASS EVOLUTION

At $z \approx 6$ a SMBH with $M_{BH} \approx 10^8 \cdot 10^9 M_{sun}$ is formed, in agreement with BH mass measurements obtained from the Mg II emission line.





The gas density and temperature maps shows the location and extension of the outflowing gas



In the AGN run, particles reach very large velocities (up to 1000 km s⁻¹) in agreement with the outflow velocities as inferred from the broad wings of the [CII] line observations



Star formation is quenched due to the shock-heated low density gas

Fast outflowing metals are distributed on large scales (≥ virial radius) possibly being ejected in the surrounding intergalactic medium.

The M_{BH}-M_{*} relation at high redshift



More observations of $z \approx 6$ quasars are required to put tighter constraints on the M_{BH}-M_{*} relation at high-z

[CII] emission from field galaxies



 $L_{
m CII}$ [L $_{\odot}$]

d [pkpc]

z = 6.0

Serendipitous discovery of galaxy companions in 4 out of 25 quasars at z > 6

Decarli et al. (2017)

[CII] emission from field galaxies

= Number of galaxies with $L_{[CII]} > 10^9 L_{sun}$



Consistent with [CII] observations \rightarrow more stringent constraints from deeper observations



[CII] emission from field galaxies

= Number of galaxies with $L_{ICIII} > 10^8 L_{sun}$



Spherical feedback is more efficient in quenching star formation in field galaxies



X-ray emission from field galaxies

= Number of galaxies with $F_X > 5 \times 10^{-16} \text{ erg s}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-2}$



Physical Properties of z ≈ 6 Quasars

OBSERVATIONS

- $z \approx 6$ quasars are powered by SMBH (masses $\approx 10^8 - 10^{10} M_{sun}$)
- Quasar host galaxies harbor intense starbursts (SFR $\sim 10^2$ - $10^3 M_{sun} yr^{-1}$; $M_{H2} \sim 10^{10} M_{sun}$; $M_{dust} \sim 10^8 M_{sun}$)
- Quasar feedback are in place at high-z (v_{outflow} ≈ 1000 km/s; R_{outflow} ≈ 10-30 kpc)
- CO(17-16) line detected only in J1148 (undetected in J2310 and J1319)
- X-ray emission properties similar to low-z high luminosity AGNs

SIMULATIONS

- Cosmological simulations can reproduce the BH observed masses starting from massive seeds (M_{seed}= 10⁵ Msun)
- Quasar feedback quenches star formation by expelling the surrounding gas out of the host galaxy
- Metals are distributed on scales larger than the virial radius





