Towards a new paradigm of dust structure in AGN: Dissecting the mid-IR emission of Circinus galaxy

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"I don't always study AGN. But when I do, I prefer Circinus and NGC 1068"

- The Most Interesting Man in the World

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The many faces of the AGN obscuration

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The first IR/X-ray model of the circumnuclear environment of the Circinus Galaxy

Circumnuclear Multi-phase Gas in the Circinus Galaxy Revealed with ALMA

The compact molecular torus in the Circinus galaxy constrained by ALMA

X-Ray Spectral Model from Clumpy Torus and Its Application to Circinus Galaxy

The many 'faces' of the molecular torus of NGC1068 The counter rotating molecular torus in NGC1068 ALMA reveals a rotating dense molecular torus in NGC 1068 NUclei of GAlaxies (NUGA) resolved by ALMA First successful MATISSE observations of NGC 1068 The dust and cloud distribution of the torus of NGC 1068 Investigating the nature and geometry of NGC 1068 through NuSTAR observations and future X-ray polarimetry

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VLTI/MIDI: polar elongation on pc-scale



Hönig et al. (2013) Hönig et al. (2012)



Circinus; NGC 1068; Tristram et al. (2014) López Gonzaga et al. (2014)

MIR polar elongation on 10s-100s pc scale

Asmus, Honig, Gandhi (2016)



Polar elongation – inclined torus ?



Schartmann et al. (2014)

Polar elongation – dusty wind ?



Honig et al. (2012)

Circinus extended emission and host galaxy extinction



Roche et al. 2006

(Gemini South / T-Recs)

Circinus with VLT/VISIR



Circinus MIR emission



Stalevski, Asmus & Tristram (2017)

Tristram et al. (2014)

A prototype that does not look like a prototype!





Monte Carlo radiative transfer



Good match with the MIR morphology



Good match with the SED



Good match with the resolved photometry Stalevski, Asmus & Tristram (2017)









RA offset ["]



Zooming in with VLTI/MIDI



disk + hyperboloid polar wind



disk+hyp wind: good match with VLTI/MIDI Stalevski, Tristram & Asmus, subm.



disk+cone wind: not so good match with VLTI/MIDI Stalevski, Tristram & Asmus, subm.



clumpy torus: doesn't work with VLTI/MIDI Stalevski, Tristram & Asmus, subm.



clumpy torus: doesn't work with VLTI/MIDI Stalevski, Tristram & Asmus, subm.



disk+wind



disk+clumpy wind



clumpy torus



disk+ (clumpy) wind: good match with VLTI/MIDI Stalevski, Tristram & Asmus, subm.



Radiation pressure driven dusty winds

Radiation pressure drives away the gas and dust from the accretion disk to the polar regions, leaving behind what may constitute the obscuring dusty disk/torus





[Konigl & Kartje (1994); Keating+ (2012); Roth et al. (2012); Gallagher+ (2015)] [Dorodnitsyn+ (2011, 2012); Dorodnitsyn & Kallman (2012); Dorodnitsyn+ (2016)] [Wada (2012), Wada+ (2016), Chan & Krolik (2016, 2017), Vollmer et al. (2018)]

Conclusions

Stalevski, Asmus & Tristram (2017) + Stalevski, Tristram & Asmus, subm

Stalevski, Tristram & Asmus, subm.

Dust in Circinus AGN: disk + wind



A prototype for polar dust AGN population