



Exploring the dusty nuclear environments of nearby AGN with JWST/MIRI

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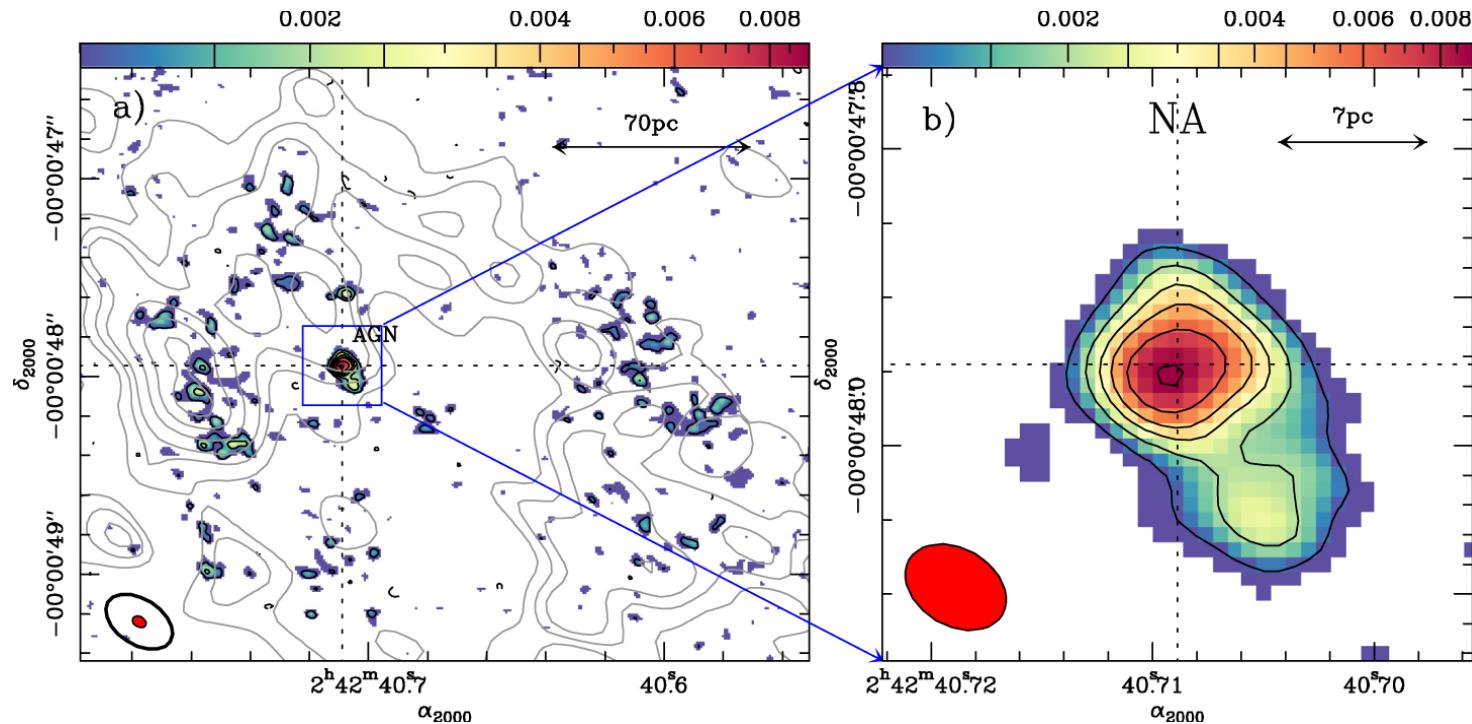


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The torus and immediate surroundings

ALMA 432 μ m view (0.04-0.06" res) of central 2" of NGC 1068

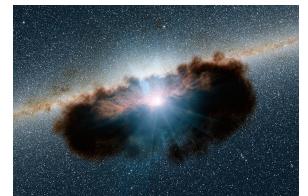
- Torus of dust and molecular gas (7-10pc)
- Circum-nuclear disk (300pc x 200pc) with on-going/recent SF activity



García-Burillo+2016

- ❖ **Torus dust emission peaks in MIR**
- ❖ Angular res of JWST/MIRI IFU(0.3"-0.5", similar to MIR instruments on 10m class telescopes) of AGN **cannot fully resolve these structures!**
For reference at D=50Mpc, 0.3"=70pc

Open questions about the nuclear regions of AGN



- ❖ Unification of AGN: Does ONE torus explain it all?

Implications for z evolution of type1/type2 AGN

- ❖ Low luminosity AGN and the origin of the torus
- ❖ Nuclear SF and connection with torus/AGN properties
- ❖ Role of inflows/outflows in feeding the AGN and quenching/triggering SF

Implications for BH growth and connection to galaxy evolution

- ❖ Properties of dust in the nuclear regions of AGN and surrounding host galaxy

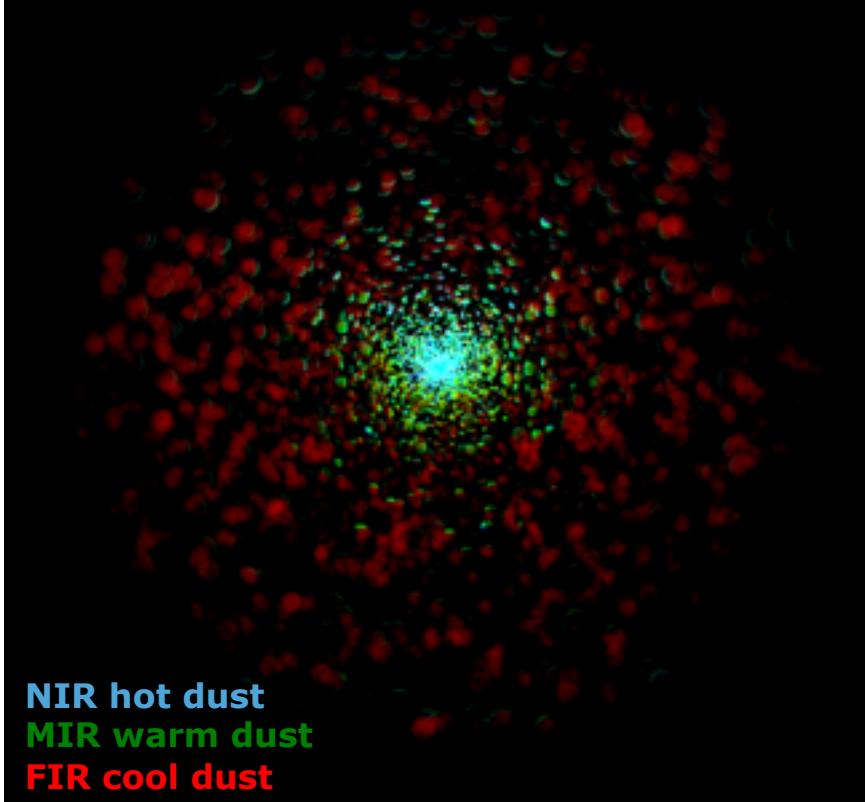
Talk by Daniel Asmus

Infrared emission from clumpy dusty torus

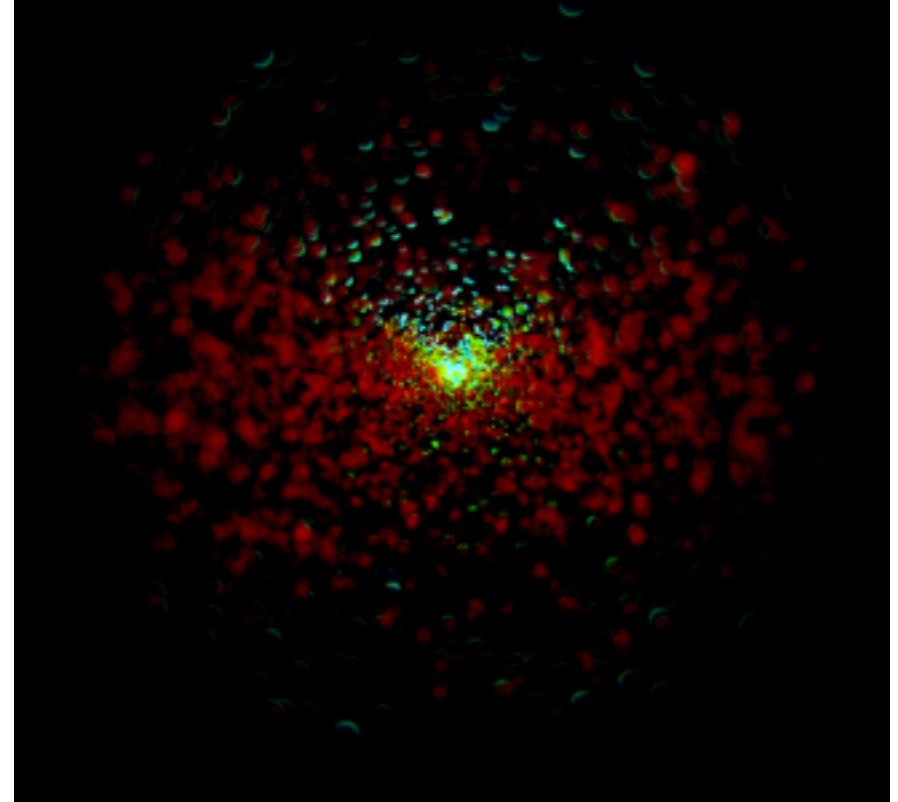
Modelling of unresolved IR emission of AGN allows to derive:

- ❖ geometric properties of the torus: angular size, physical size
- ❖ distribution of clouds, optical depth, number of clouds
- ❖ AGN viewing angle and bolometric luminosity

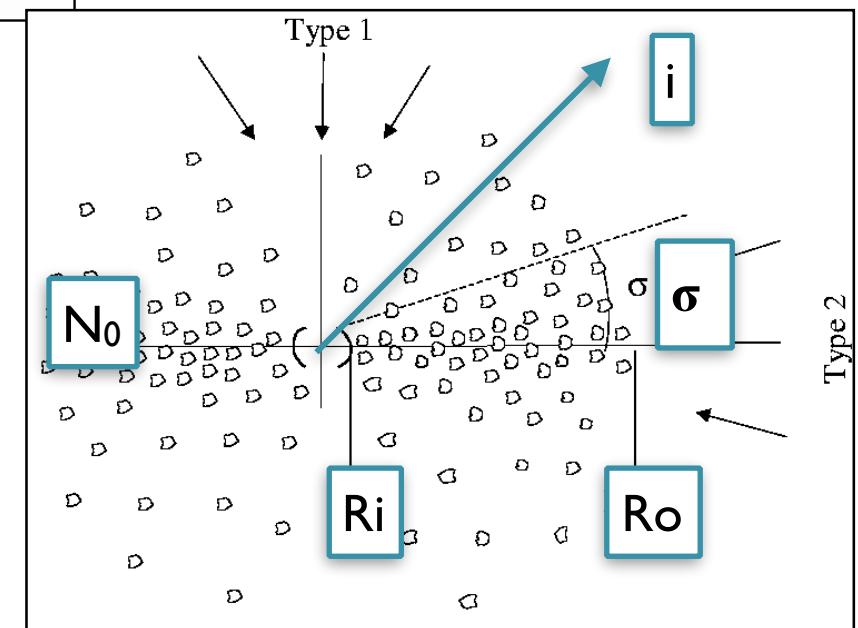
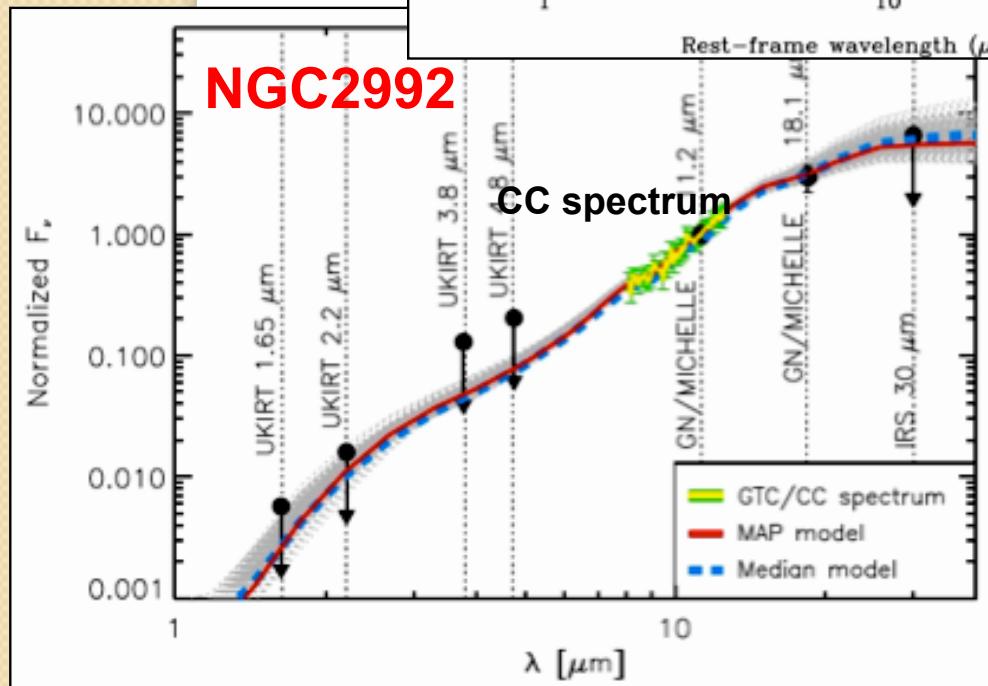
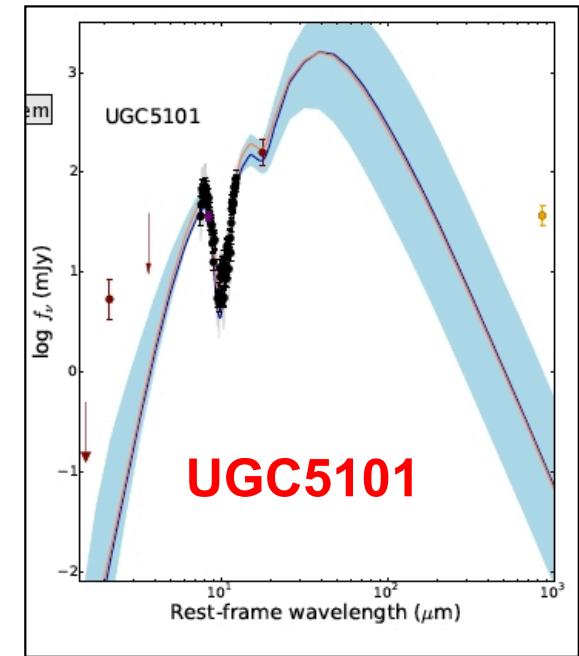
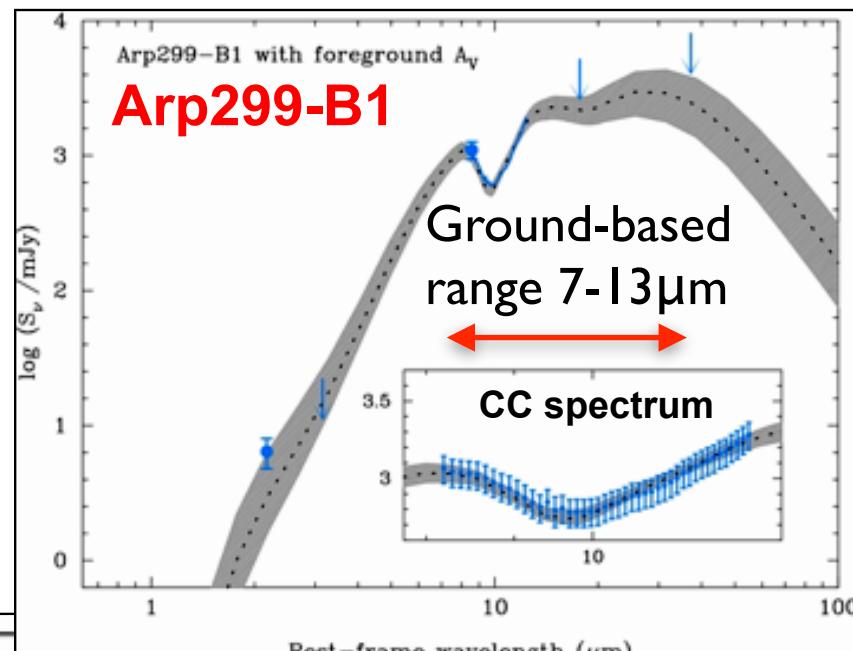
Face-on view ~ Type 1 AGN



Edge-on view ~ Type 2 AGN

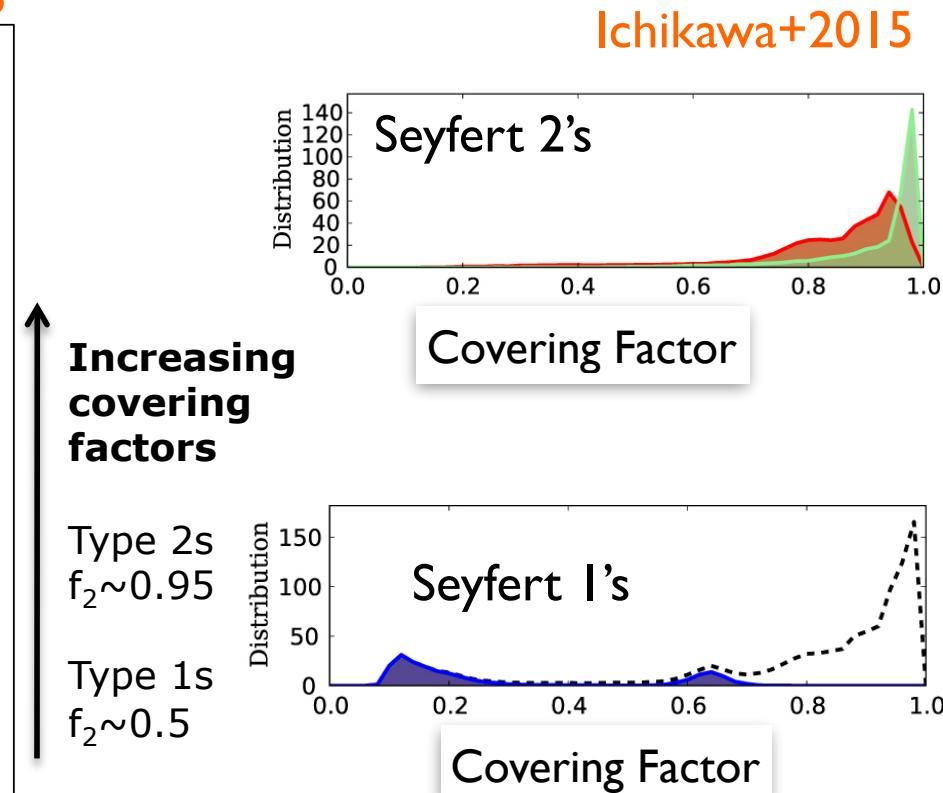
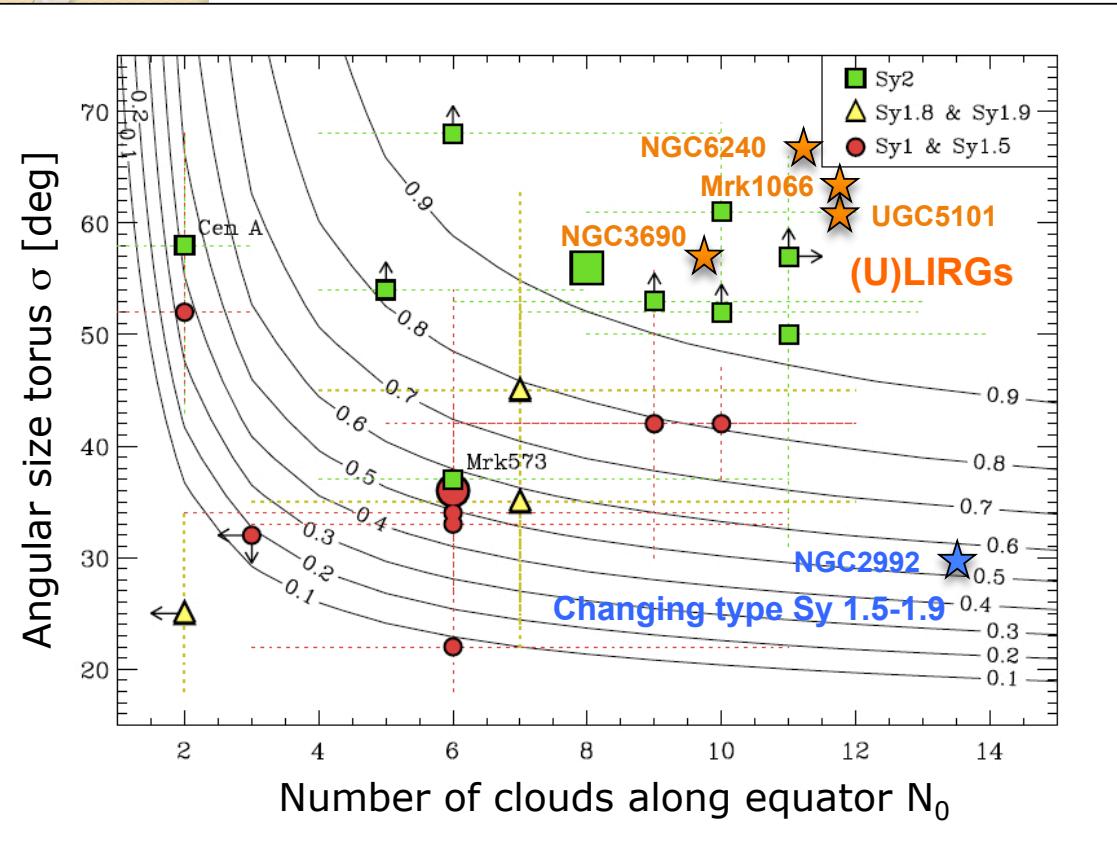


Examples of fits to unresolved IR emission



Geometrical covering factors of local AGN

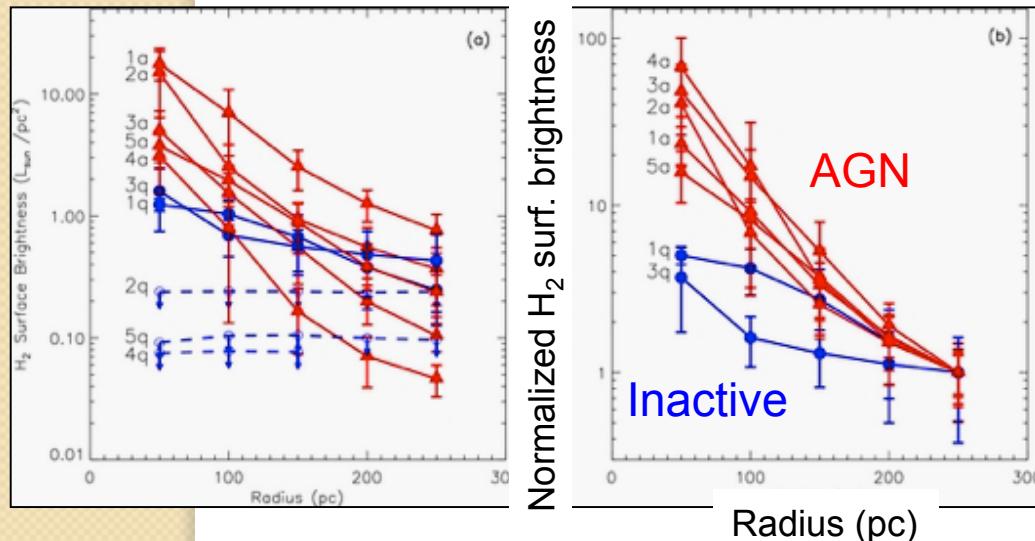
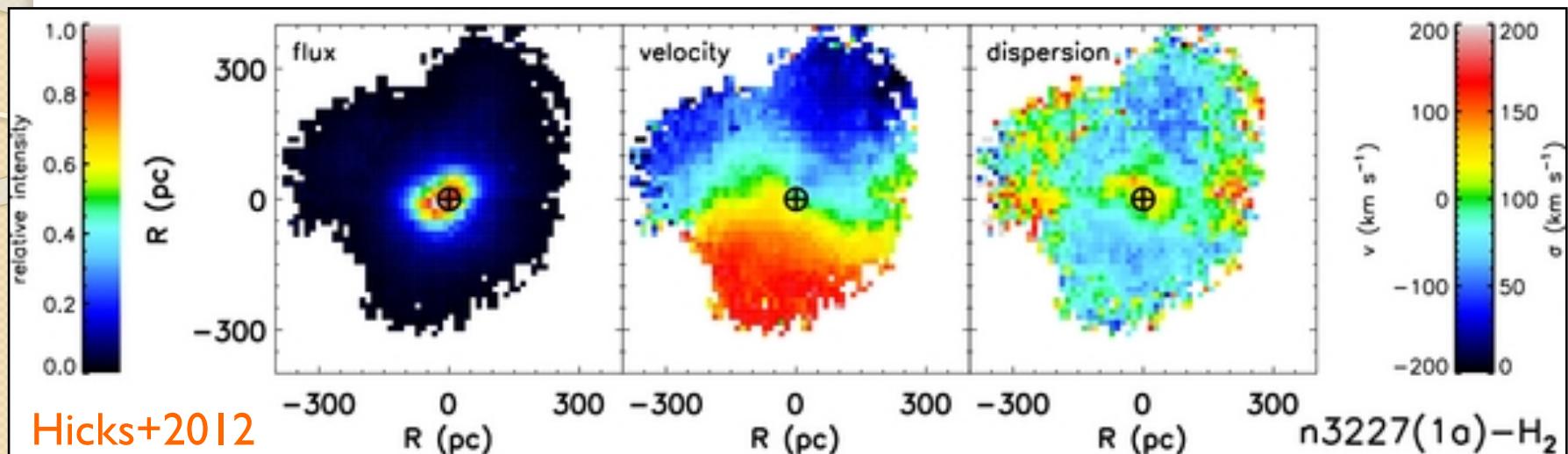
AAH+2011, 2013; Ramos Almeida+2011;
Martínez-Paredes, AAH+2015; Mori+2015



Modelling of unresolved IR 1-28 μ m emission with JWST will allow to derive torus properties covering:

- ❖ range of L_{bol} : **LLAGN to QSO** (receding torus, disappearance of torus)
- ❖ different z's

Molecular gas nuclear disks and relation to torus



Seyferts show **rotating nuclear thick H₂ disks (d~60pc)** with enhanced H₂ emission compared to non-AGN feeding AGN, SF?

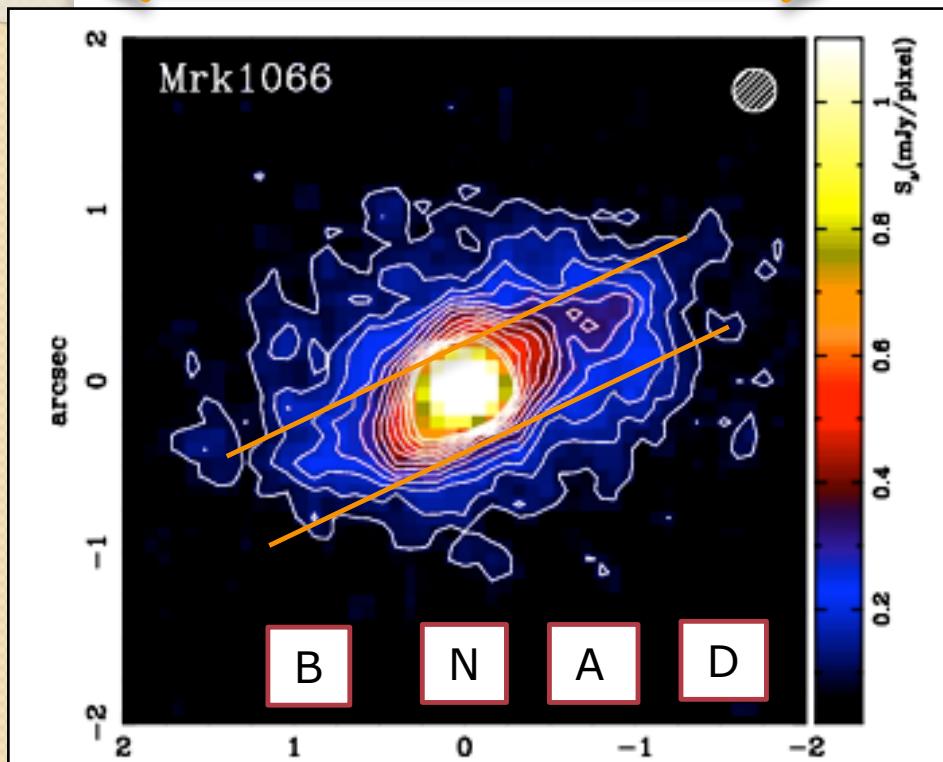
However, H₂ at 2.12μm traces warm ($T \sim 1000\text{K}$) gas and only a small fraction of total molecular gas mass.

MIRI will observe mid-IR H₂ transitions which probe the bulk of the molecular gas + comparison with ALMA estimates.

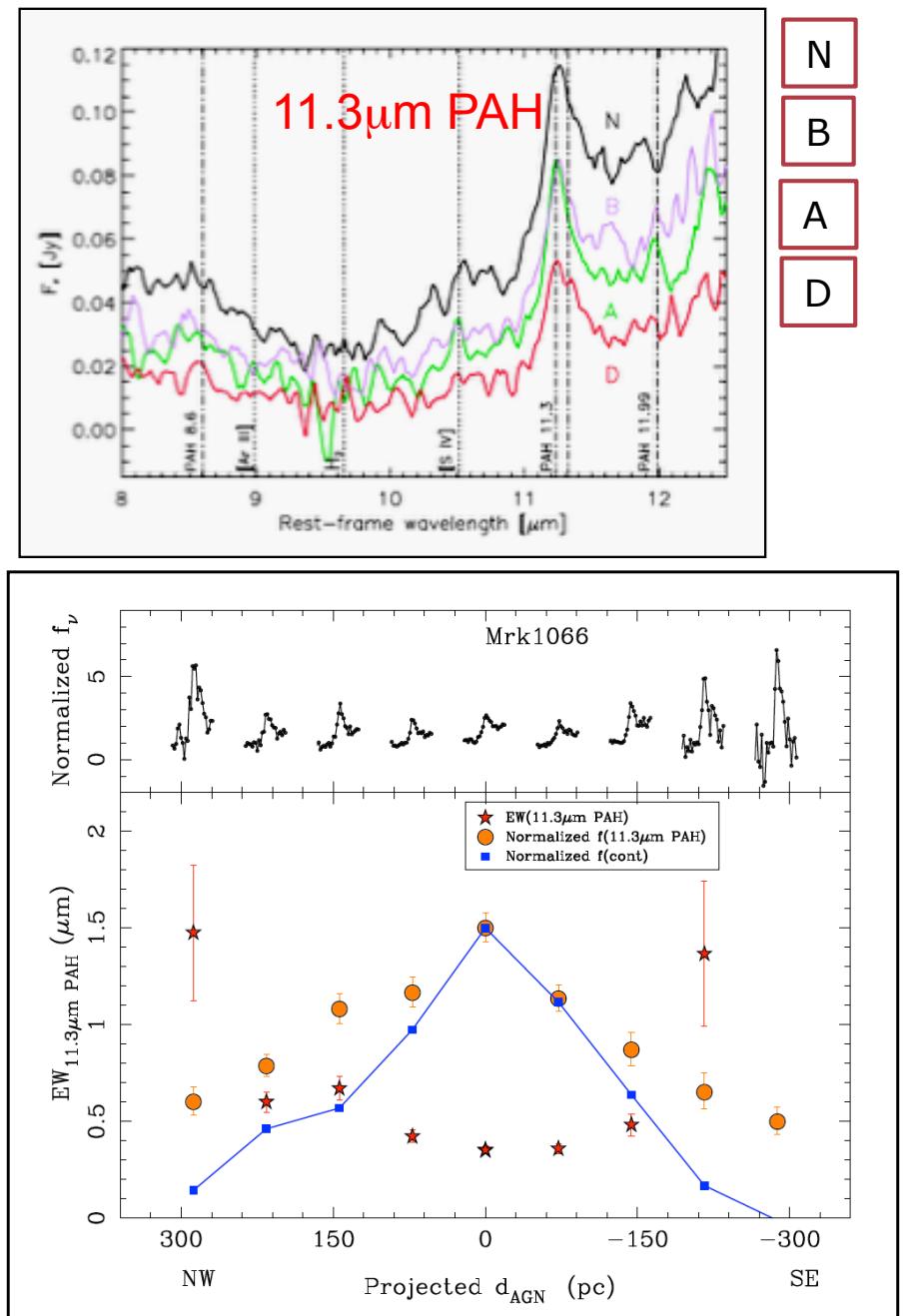
Using the 11.3 μ m PAH feature to probe nuclear SF

GTC/CanariCam data at 0.3" resolution

900pc

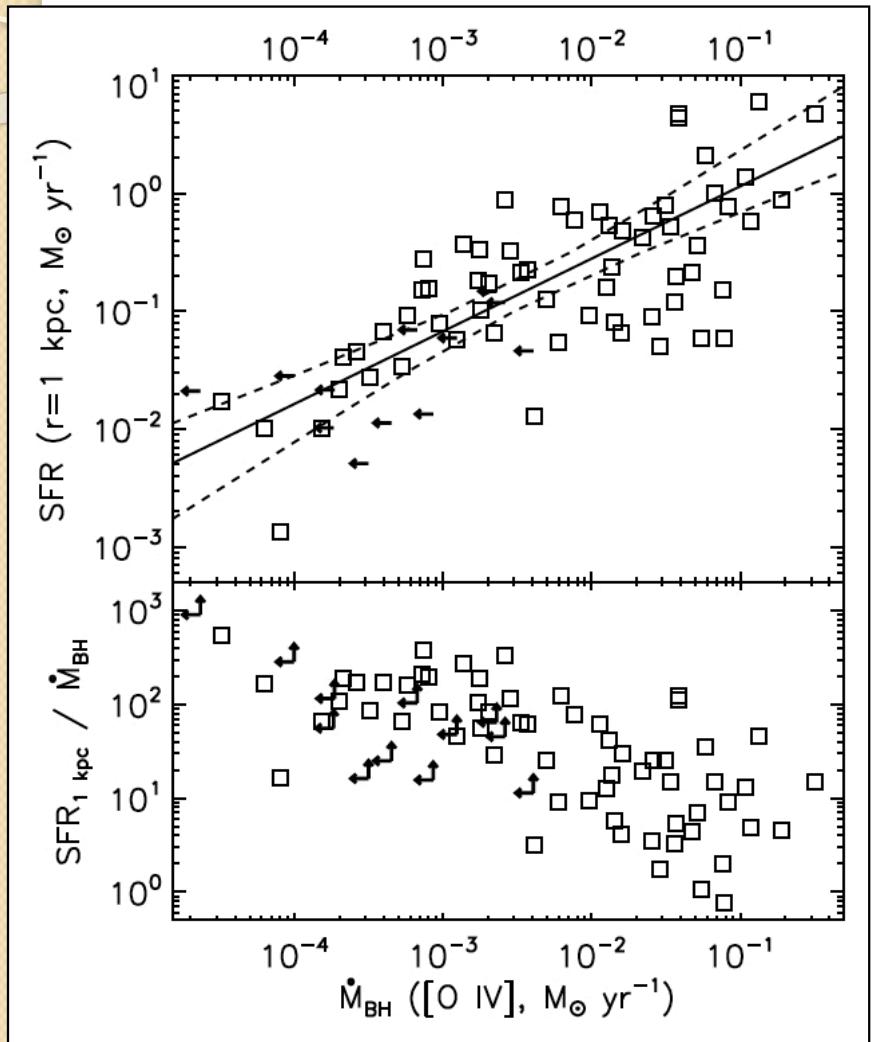


PAH molecules are not destroyed in nuclear regions of AGN



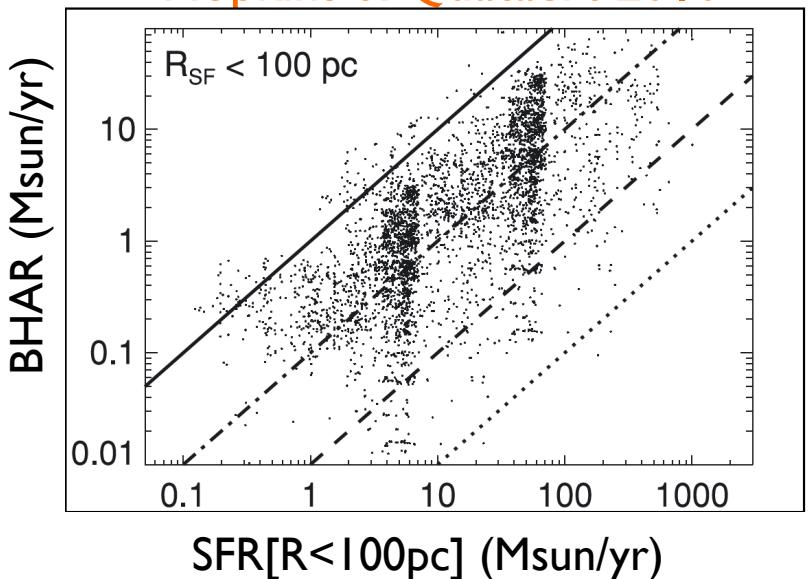
SFR vs. black hole accretion rate

Diamond-Stanic & Rieke 2012

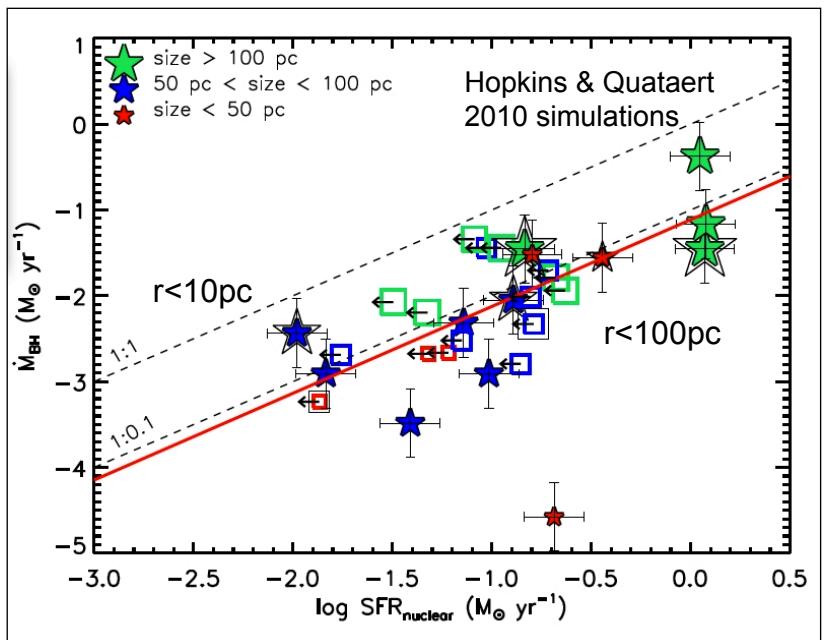


Circumnuclear ($r=1$ kpc) SFR from Spitzer 11.3 μm PAH and 24 μm

Numerical simulations
Hopkins & Quataert 2010



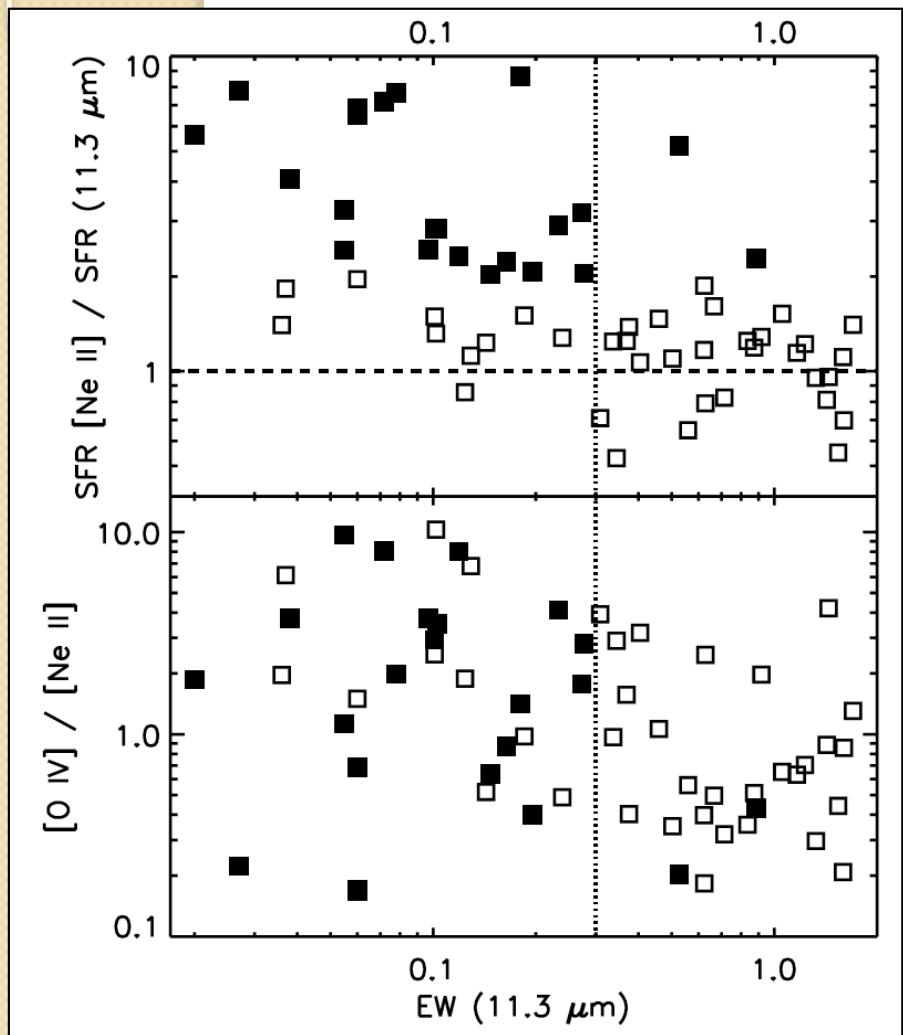
Esquej, AAH+2014



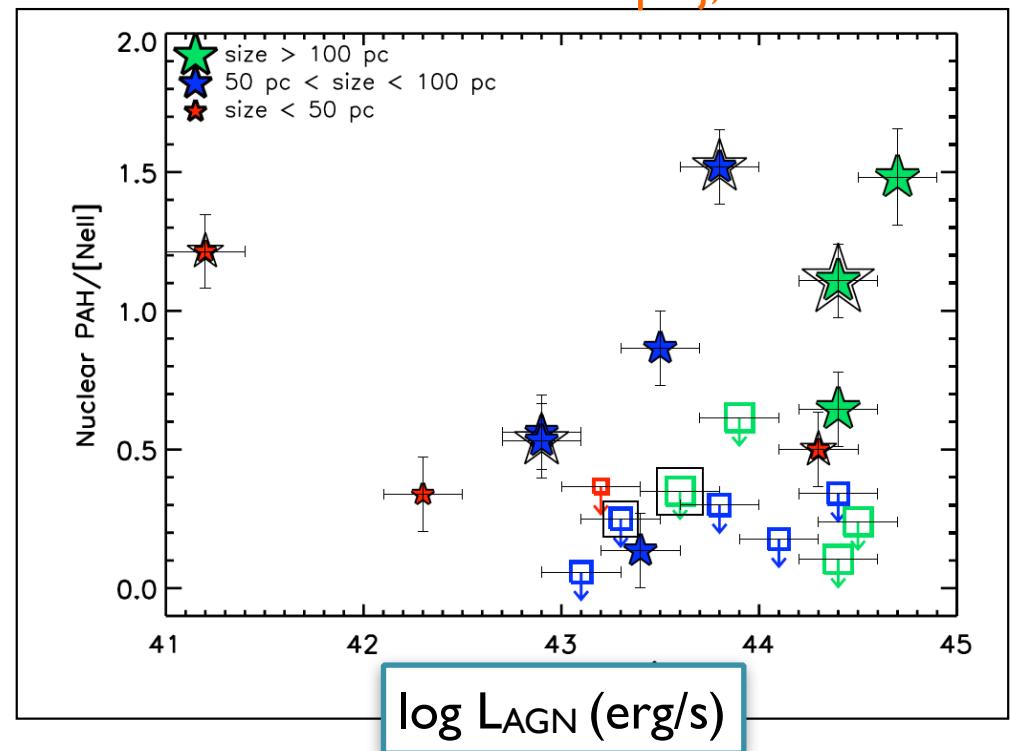
Nuclear ($r=50-200$ pc) SFR from ground-based 11.3 μm PAH

SF in nuclear regions of AGN

Diamond-Stanic & Rieke 2012



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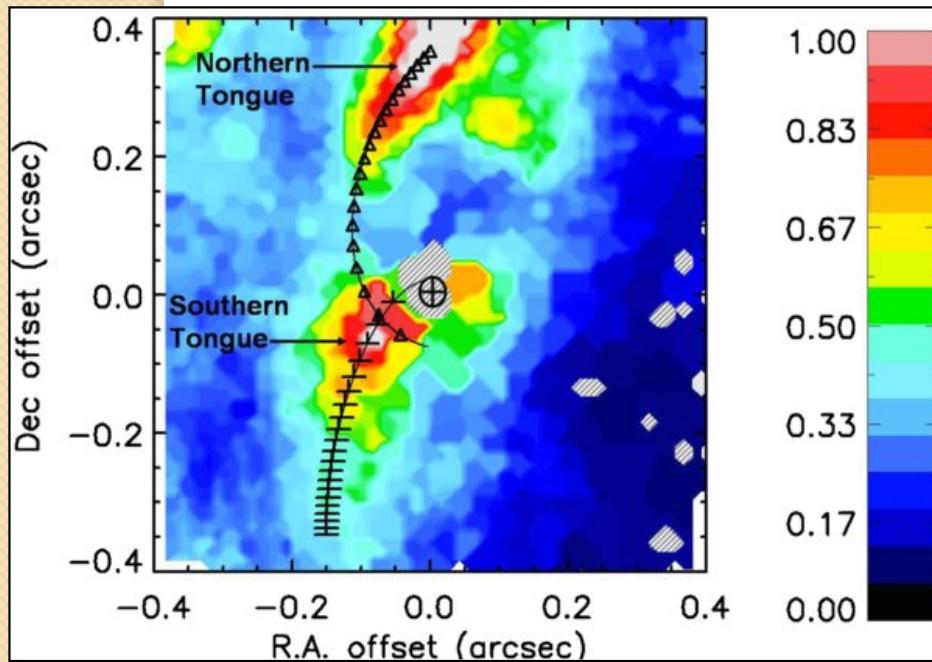
- ✿ [Nell] 12.8 μm contaminated by AGN emission
- ✿ Nuclear PAH emission might be excited by AGN (talk by Jens Jensen)

NIRSpec + MIRI IFU observations will allow to study **AGN/SF excitation of nuclear PAH emission and obtain accurate SFR** using a variety of indicators: **recombination lines, fine structure lines, stellar populations**

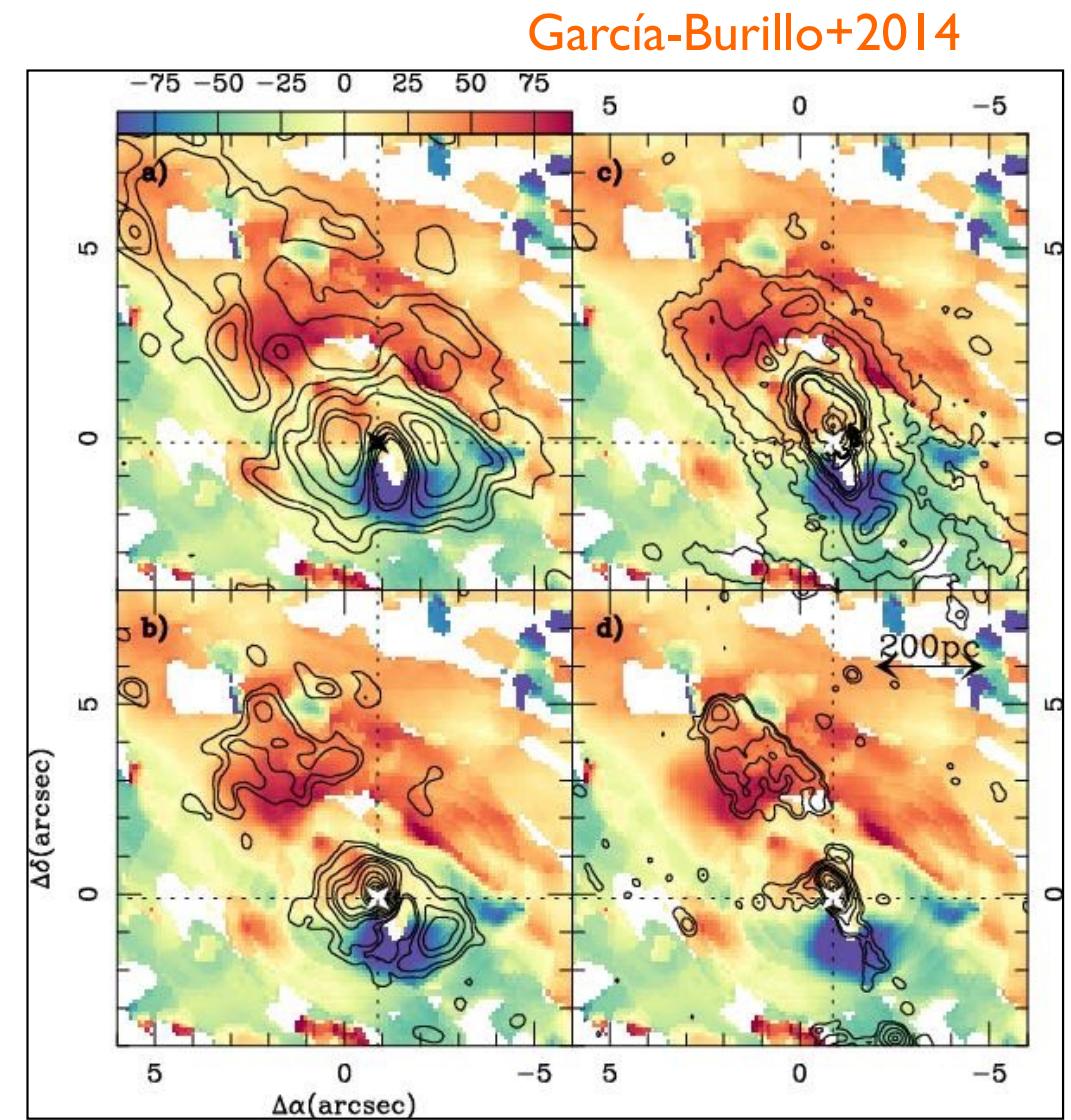
Inflows/Outflows in AGN



Müller-Sánchez+2009



Inflows detected in H₂ at
2.12μm with VLT/SINFONI



Outflows detected in CO(3-2) with ALMA

**AGN inflows and outflows are largely unexplored in mid-IR:
H₂ lines, fine structure lines**

Summary

NIRSpec+MIRI IFU (+ALMA) observations of central regions of local AGN will provide an exquisite view into the relation between BH growth and star formation in galaxies

SF: NIRSpec
+ MIRI (PAHs,
emission lines,
stellar pops)

Obscuring Material:
MIRI (dust emission)

Outflows:
NIRSpec + MIRI
(emission lines)

Molecular gas
reservoir:
MIRI (H_2 lines)

Inflows: NIRSpec
+ MIRI (H_2 lines)