Recent results on the X-ray emission of radio-quiet AGN

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(Perola et al. 2014)  (Malizia et al. 2014)
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Swift J2127.4+5654 (Marinucci et al. 2014)
\[ kT \sim 68/53 \text{ keV} \quad \tau \sim 0.35/1.35 \] (slab/sphere)

IC4329A (Brenneman et al. 2014)
\[ kT \sim 61/50 \text{ keV} \quad \tau \sim 0.7/2.35 \] (slab/sphere)

Ark 120 (Matt et al. 2014)
Soft excess

Most AGN show soft X-ray emission in excess of the extrapolation of the hard primary emission.

In many sources the soft excess is well explained by ionized reflection (e.g. Walton et al. 2013).

However, there are sources in which another component is required (Patrick et al. 2012, Lohfink et al. 2012, Petrucci et al. 2013).

Ark 120 is one of them (Matt et al. 2014).

No obvious evidence for a relativistic iron line (differently from a previous Suzaku obs, Nardini et al. 2011).
Soft excess

The broad-band best fit is with a Comptonization model for the soft excess. A cutoff p.l., compTT, nthcomp or optxagnf provide fits of comparable quality. Optxagnf (Done et al. 2012) is a disk/corona emission model which assumes a thermal disk emission outside the coronal radius, and soft and hard Comptonization inside.

Extrapolating the best fit X-ray model to the OM UV data, an estimate of the black hole spin is possible.
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Relativistic reflection

NGC 1365: a source with BOTH absorption and relativistic reflection

Risaliti et al. 2013

Consistent with a maximally rotating BH
Relativistic reflection

NGC 1365 was observed by XMM-Newton and NuSTAR four times. Despite large variations in the absorbers, no variations in the spin and inclination are found, showing the robustness of the result.

(Walton et al. 2014; see Dom Walton's talk, and Guido Risaliti's talk for a similar case in NGC4051)
Relativistic reflection

Other high quality XMM-NuSTAR observations provide robust measurements of the spin which is e.g. confirmed to be consistent with extreme Kerr in MCG-6-30-15 (Marinucci et al. 2014a)

Intermediate spin confirmed in the NLSy1 Swift J2127.4+5654 (Miniutti et al. 2009, Marinucci et al. 2014b)

Swift J2127.4-5654 XMM+NuSTAR (Marinucci et al. 2014b)
Relativistic reflection

Use of lensed quasar allows to study relativistic reflection beyond the local Universe, as in the $z=0.658$ quasar RXJ1131-1231 (Reis et al. 2014)
Time lags

Soft time lags observed in many AGN (e.g. Fabian et al. 2009, De Marco et al. 2013, Uttley et al. 2014 -- Phil Uttley’s talk) → Reflection from inner disc

More recently, reverberation of iron lines have also been observed (e.g. Zoghbi et al. 2012, 2013, Kara et al. 2014) → Compton hump reverberation expected!!

This and much more in Erin Kara’s and Abdu Zoghbi’s talks this afternoon !!!
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X-ray Eclipses

X-ray eclipses have been found in some sources (e.g. NGC1365, Risaliti et al. 2009, Maiolino et al. 2010; Mrk 766, Risaliti et al. 2011) allowing to estimate the size of both absorbing clouds and X-ray emitting regions.
BAL: Absorption or X-ray weakness?

Broad Absorption line quasars have a low X-ray-to-optical flux ratio → Absorption or intrinsic X-ray weakness?

PG 1004+130 Chandra+NuSTAR (Luo et al. 2013)

Mrk 271 Chandra+NuSTAR (Teng et al. 2014)
Anatomy of an AGN: NGC 5548

Broad band (UV to hard X-rays) monitoring campaign with six different satellites over a period of about a year.

Exceptionally rich dataset !!

![Graph showing data from different satellites over time]

- Chandra
- INTEGRAL
- NuSTAR
- Swift
- HST/COS
- XMM-Newton
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XMM Observations of NGC5548 – PN spectra

**Archival Observations**
1) 24/12/2000
2) 09/07/2001
3) 12/07/2001

**New Monitoring Campaign**
4) 22/06/2013
5) 30/06/2013
6) 07/07/2013
7) 11/07/2013
8) 15/07/2013
9) 19/07/2013
10) 21/07/2013
11) 23/07/2013
12) 25/07/2013
13) 27/07/2013
14) 29/07/2013
15) 31/07/2013
16) 20/12/2013
17) 04/02/2014
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Unexpected soft X-ray dimming → obscuration !!!
And appearance of UV Broad Absorption Lines

[Graphs showing energy vs. photons and wavelength vs. flux for NGC 5548]
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All you may want to know about the NGC 5548 campaign in this afternoon’s AGN session
(talks by J. Kaastra
    J. Ebrero
    M. Mehdipour
    M. Cappi
    F. Ursini
    K. Steenbrugge)

Wait also for a press release tomorrow (late)
Summary

- **Primary emission**

  Coronal parameters → first measurements of $T$ and $\tau$
  Soft excess → Warm Comptonization in addition to reflection?

- **Reprocessed emission**

  Relativistic reflection → Robust detection and spin estimate
  Time lags → Compton reflection lag observed!

- **Obscuration and outflows**

  X-ray eclipses → Size of absorbing clouds and X-ray region
  BALs: absorption or X-ray weakness? → X-ray weakness!
  The NGC 5548 campaign → Clearest ever picture of AGN environment