Luminous buried AGNs in the local universe ULIRGs

origin of galaxy down-sizing ?

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Ultraluminous infrared galaxies (ULIRGs)

L(IR) > 10^12 Lsun (Normal spiral ~ 10^10 Lsun)



Luminous energy source is hidden behind dust





Compact cores (<500pc) are energetically dominant





AGNs in ULIRGs are buried



AGNs obscured by torus-shaped dust







ULIRGs have a large amount of nuclear gas and dust

Buried AGNs are elusive

70% ULIRGs = non-Sy







2. Dust absorption feature strength



Tau(3.4) < 0.2 (Imanishi & Maloney 2003 ApJ 588 165





3. Dust temperature gradient









Strong abs ULIRGs -> often show T-gradient



Our line-of-sight obscuration: Non-Sy >> Sy2



Amount of nuclear dust: Non-Sy >> S

Buried AGNs: both warm/cool FIR colors



cool ¥ starburst





2.5-5 um spectroscopy

z > 0.15 ULIRG

Unaffected by Earth's atmosphere





Buried AGNs increase with LIR



AGN-feedback for galaxy down-sizing ?

Summary

1. Buried AGNs : <u>30-50% non-Sy ULIRGs</u> warm & cool

2. Nuclear dust amount: non-Sy ULIRGs > Sy2 ULIRGs

Optical Sy (non-)detectability depends on the amount of nuclear dust

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