

The BH Mass Scaling Relations of Active Galaxies: From the Local Universe out to a Lookback Time of 10 Gyrs



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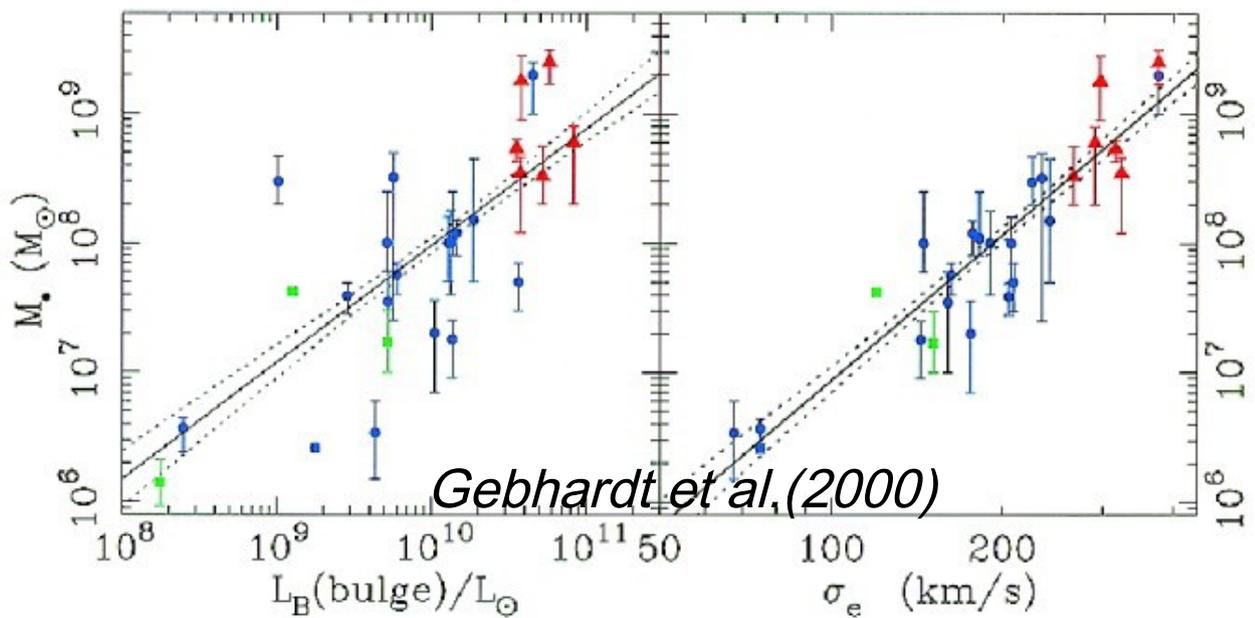
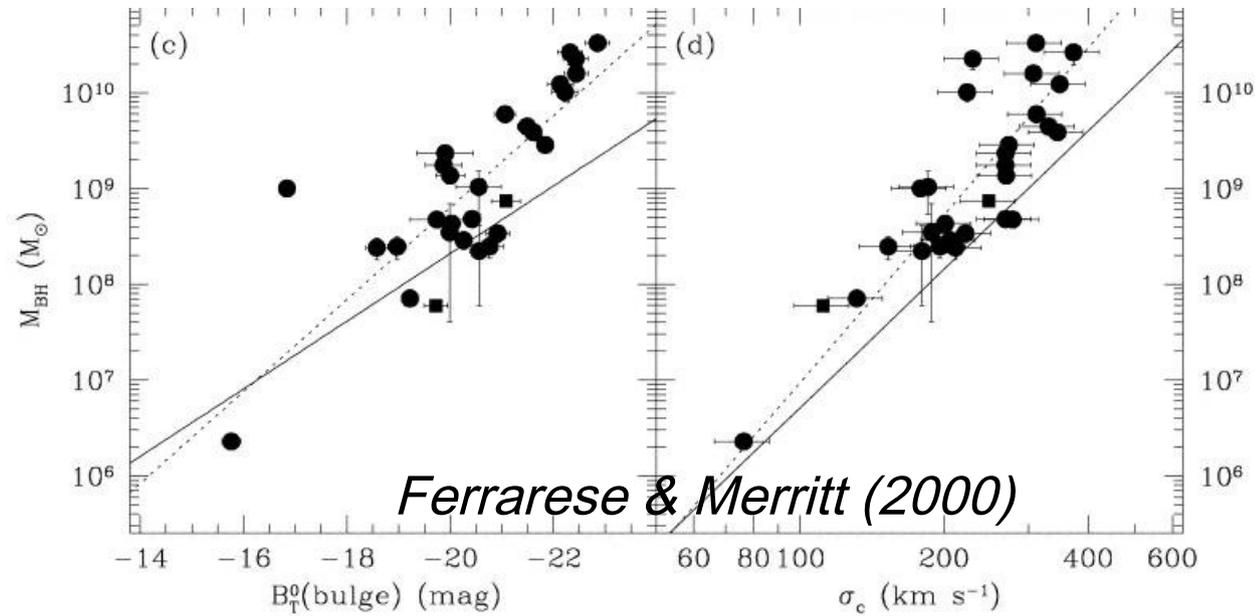


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Formation & evolution of galaxies linked to BHs

Theoretical models:

Mergers, AGN feedback (e.g. *Volonteri et al. 2003; Ciotti & Ostriker 2007; Hopkins et al. 2007, 2009; Di Matteo et al. 2008*)

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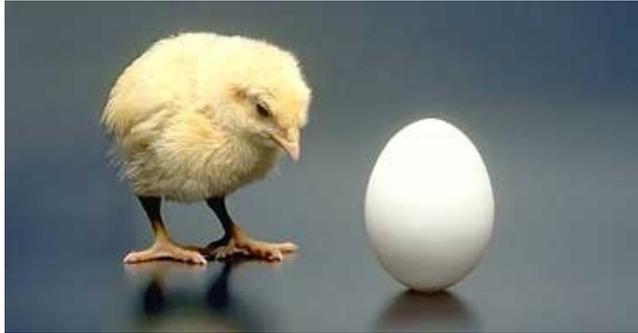


Look at evolution with redshift – back in time

Are galaxies & BHs constantly on tight correlations by feedback?

Are local relations end product of a more dramatic/stochastic process?

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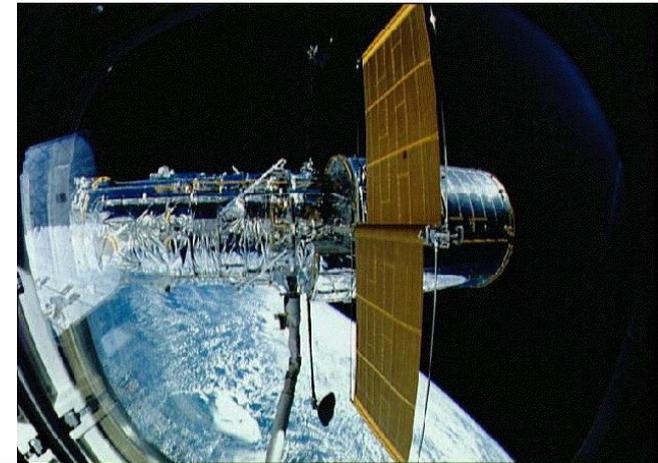
M(BH)-L, M(BH)-sigma to 4-6 Gyrs

Seyfert-1 galaxies
SDSS DR7: broad H β

35 @ $z \sim 0.4$
6 @ $z \sim 0.6$

HST images:
Spheroid luminosity
AGN luminosity for M(BH)

Keck spectroscopy:
M(BH)
Sigma



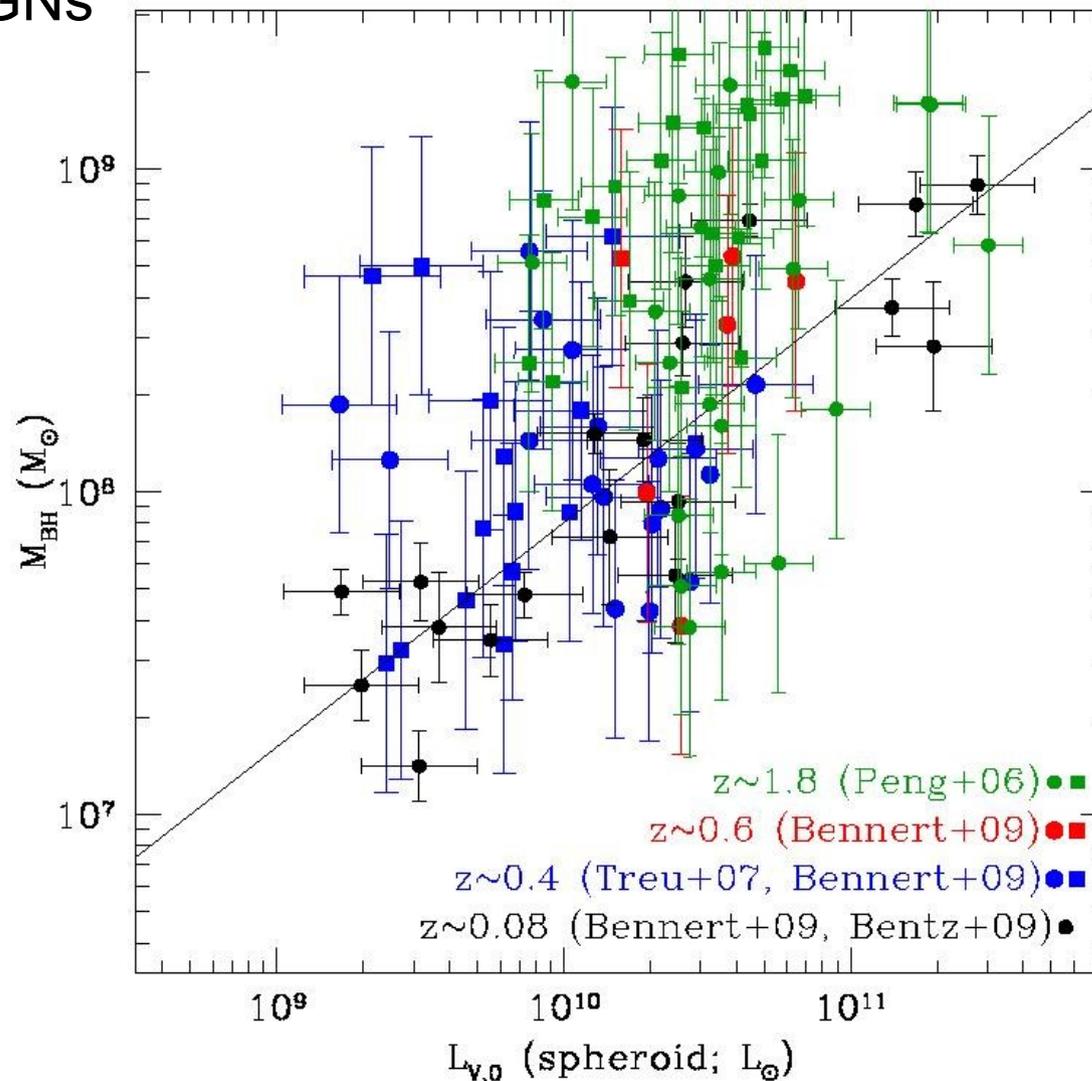
M(BH)–L to 4-6 Gyrs

Including high- z sample (*Peng et al. 2006*)

$0.66 < z < 4.5$

27 gravitationally lensed AGNs

17 non-lensed AGNs



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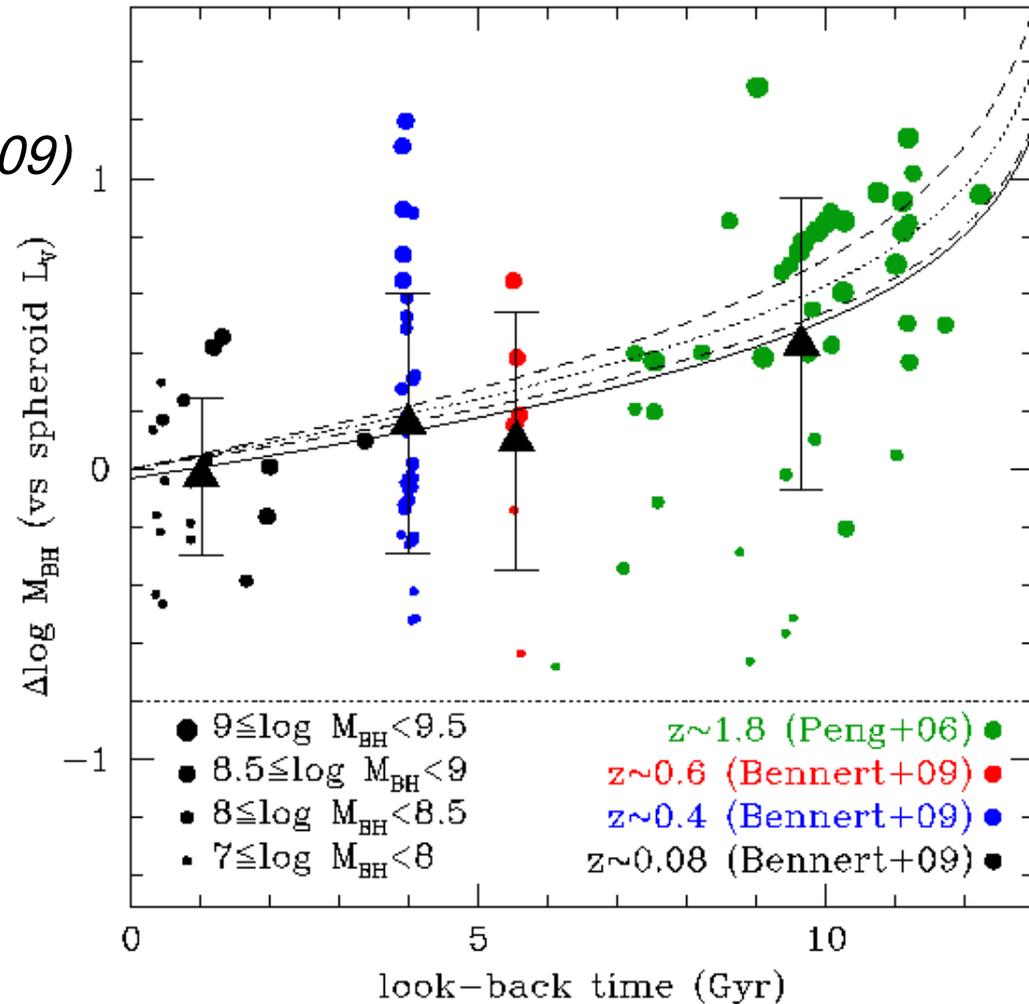
With selection effects: $M_{\text{BH}}/L_{\text{sph}} \propto (1+z)^{1.4 \pm 0.2}$

BH growth precedes bulge assembly

(see also e.g. Merloni et al. 2010, slope 0.7; Decarli et al. 2010, slope 1.5)

Evolution mass dependent?

(e.g. di Matteo et al. 2008; Hopkins et al. 2009)



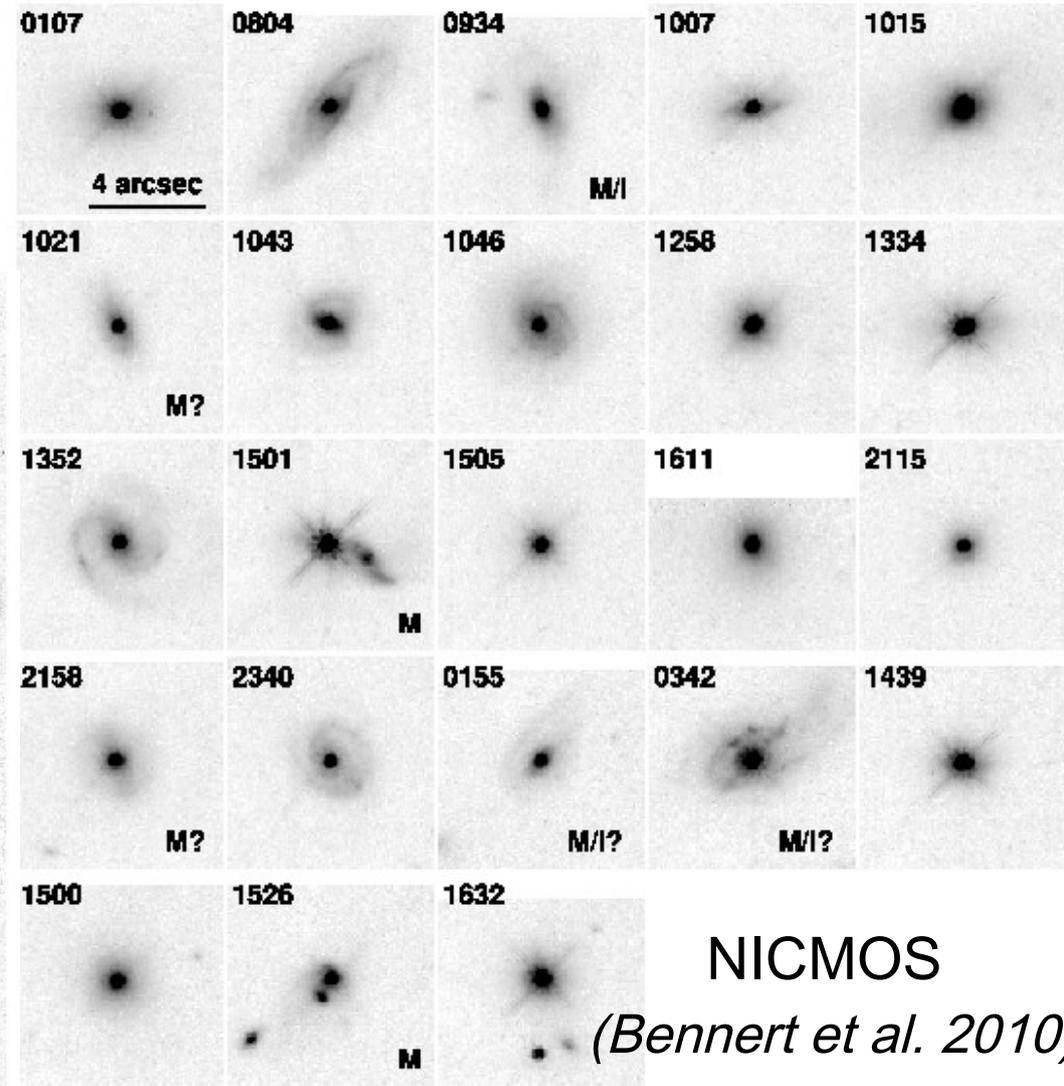
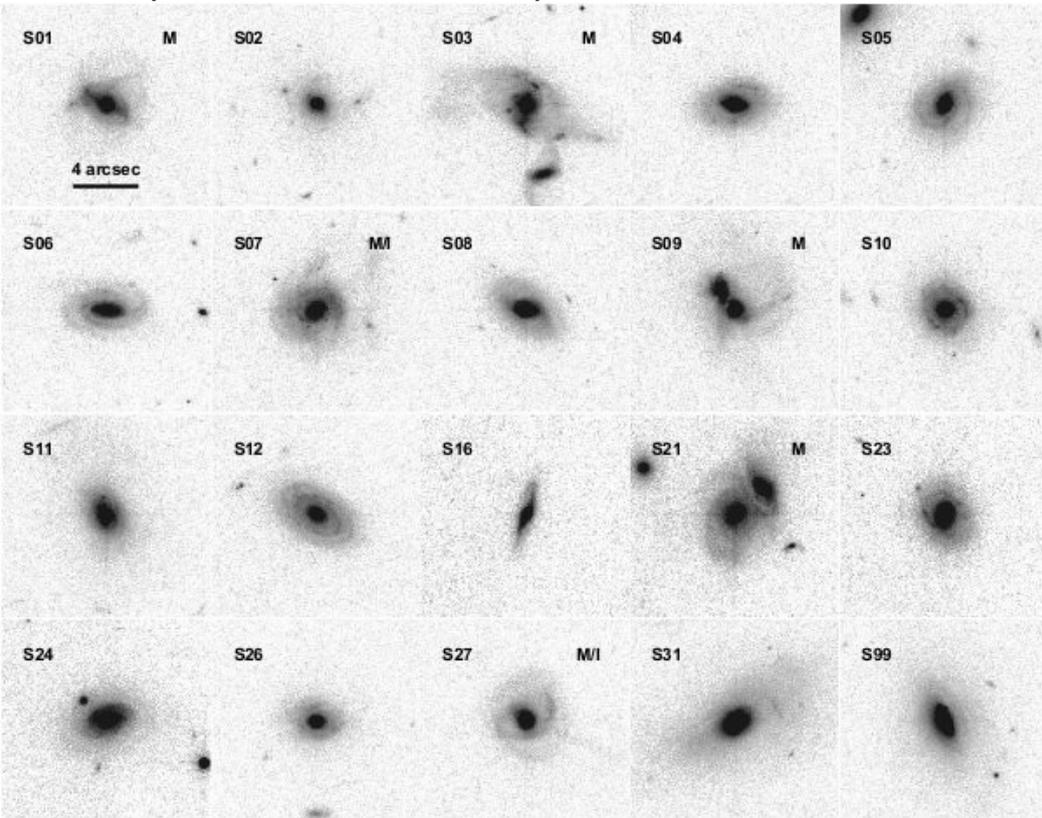
Mergers (13/40)?

Gas-rich major merger with spiral:

spheroid grows through disruption of spiral disk
but no significant BH growth (*e.g. Croton 2006*)

Large scatter due to different types and time scales?

ACS (*Treu et al. 2007*)



NICMOS
(*Bennert et al. 2010*)

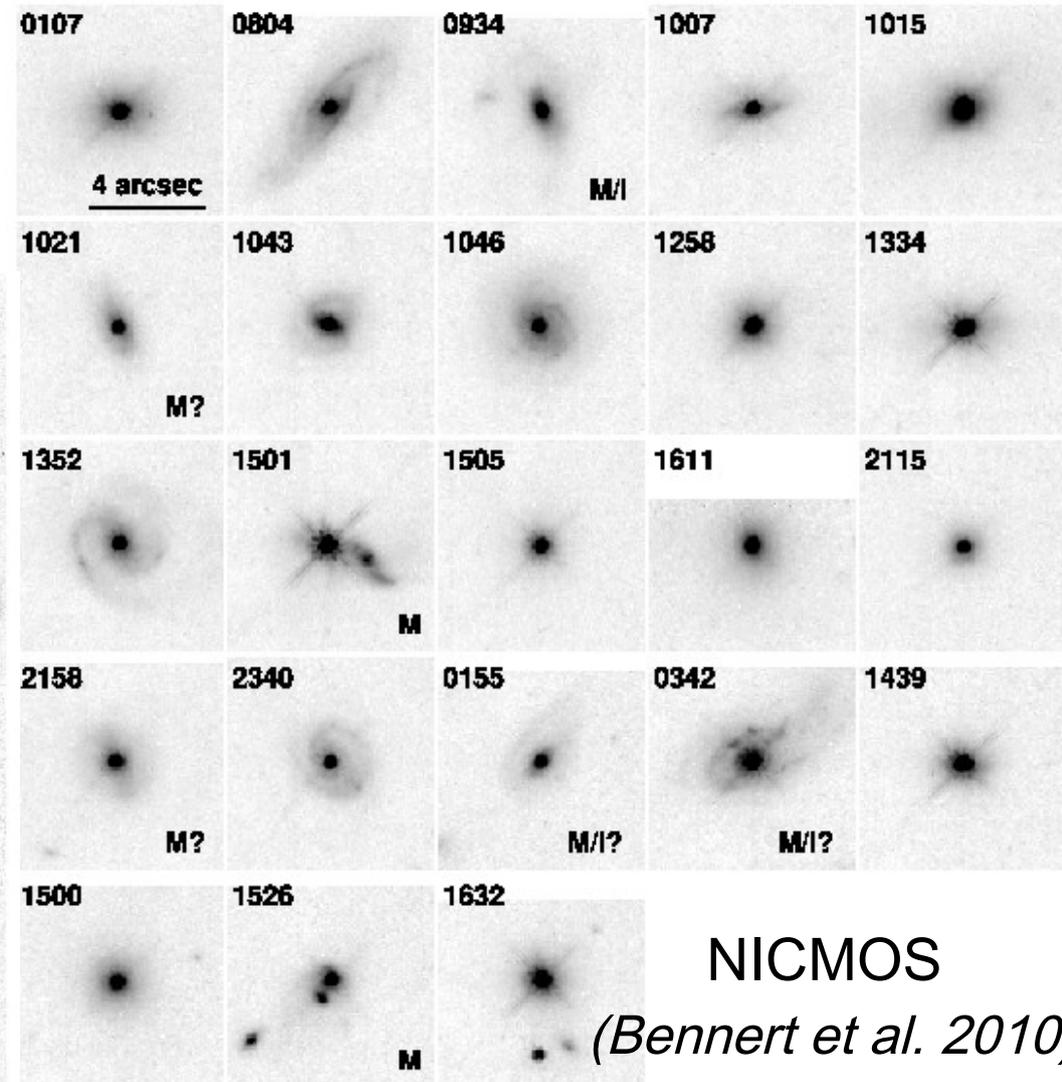
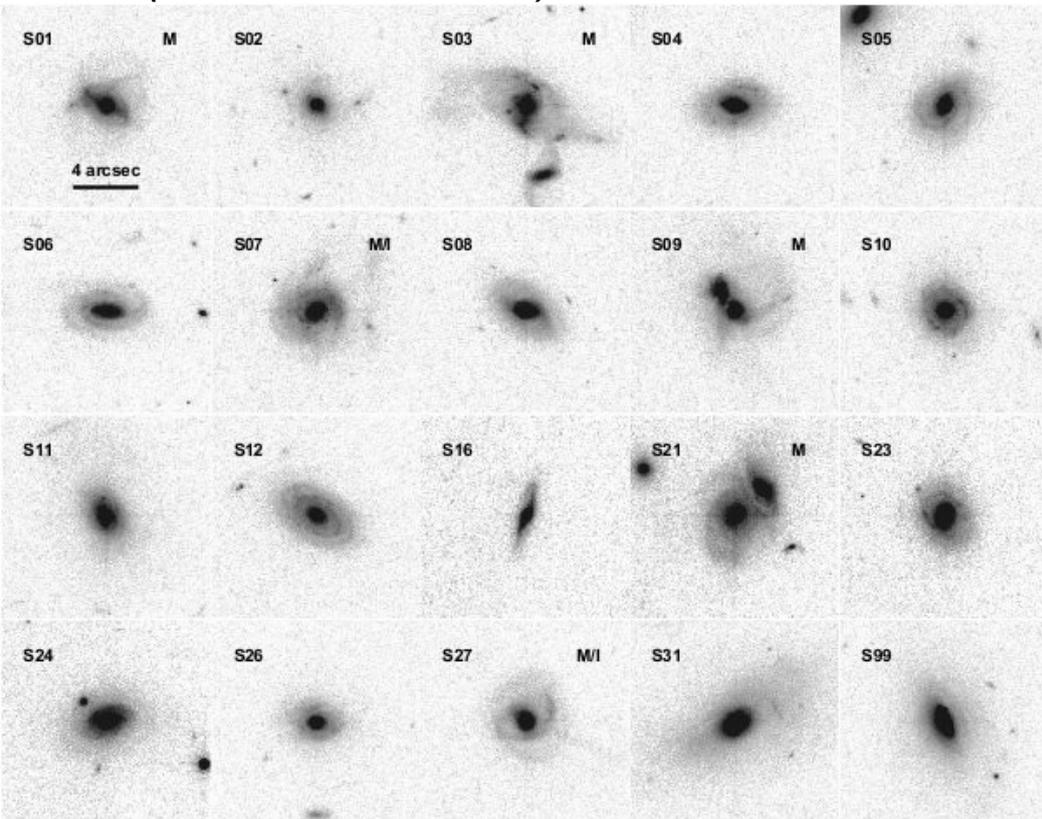
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Comparable to fraction in GOODS at same z (*Treu et al. 2007*)

Cannot infer causal link between merger & AGN activity

(*but: e.g. Canalizo & Stockton 2001, Urrutia et al. 2008, Bennert et al. 2008*)

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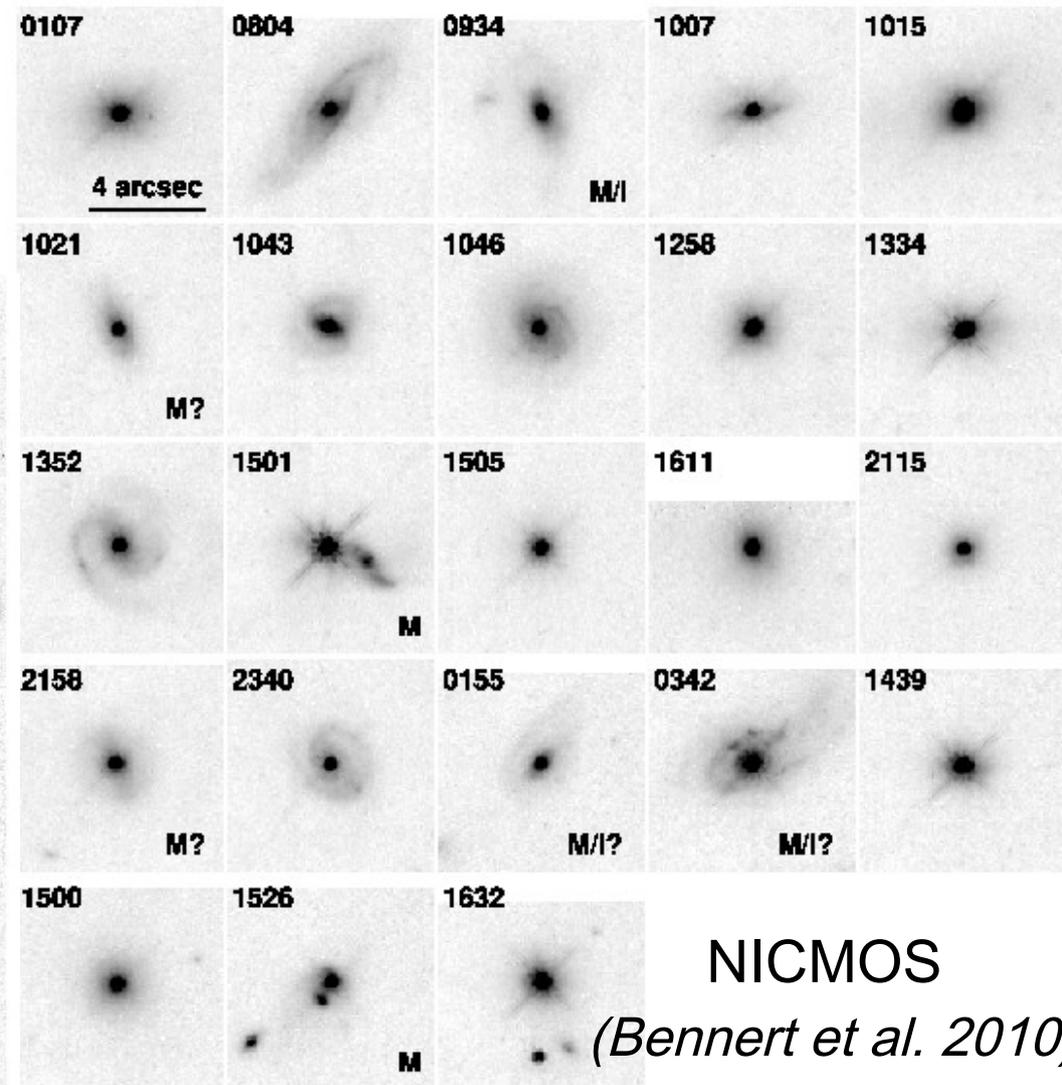
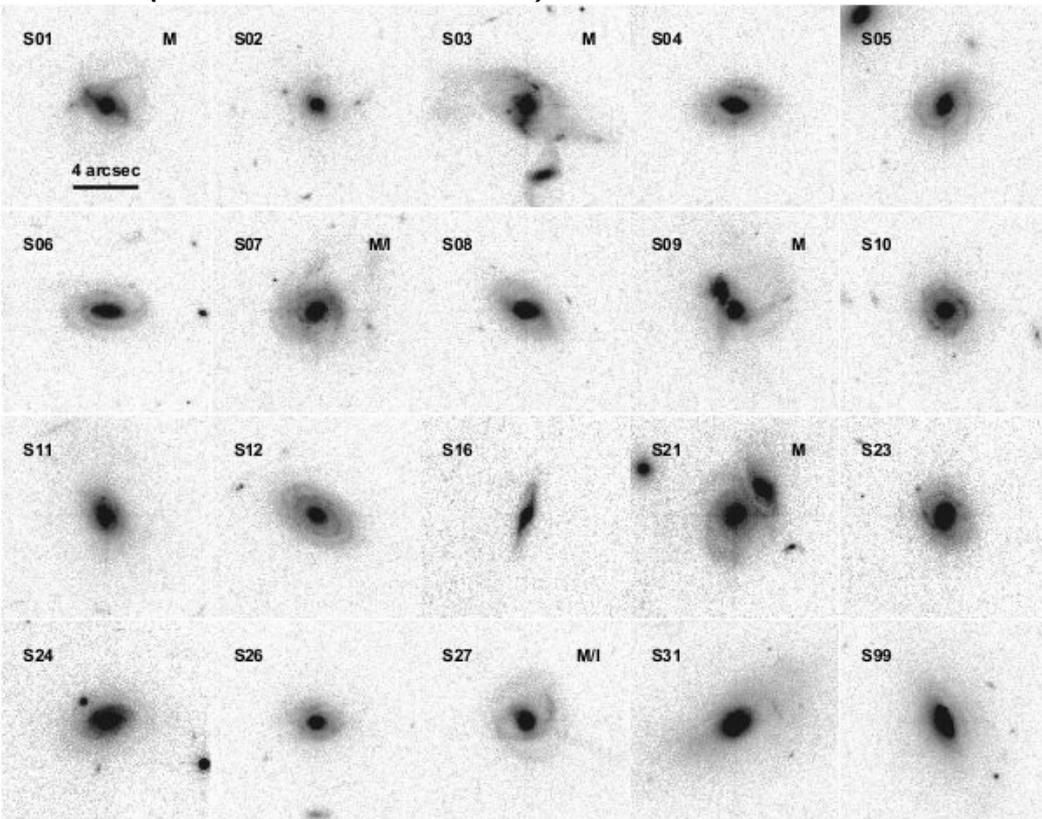
Late-type galaxies (>15/40)?

Eventually fall on local relation (downsizing)?

More intrinsic scatter? (*e.g. Guetekin et al. 2009*)

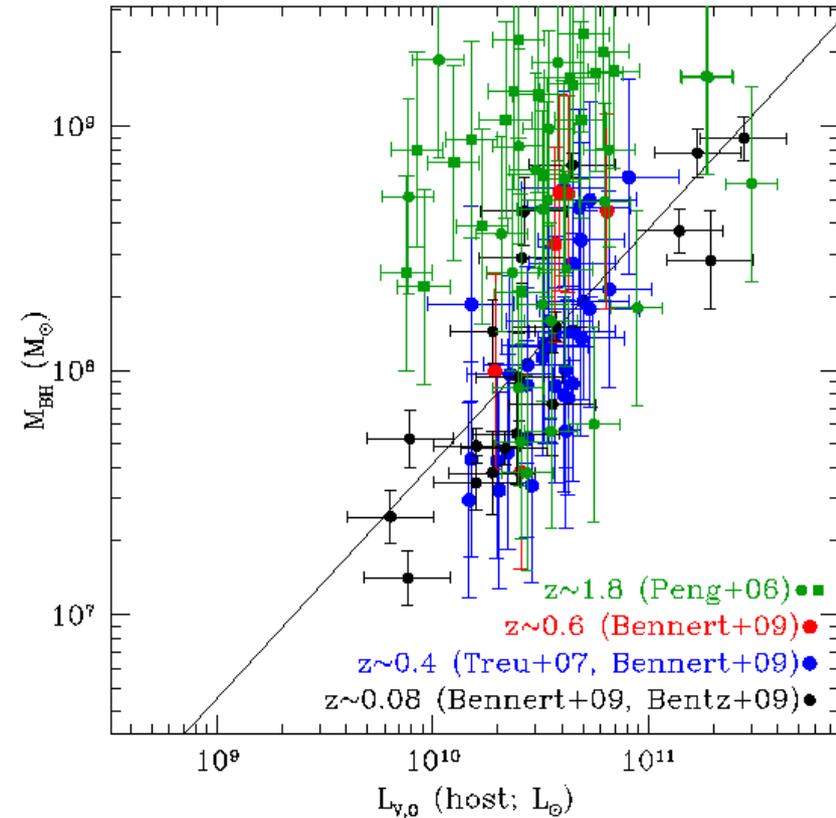
Pseudobulges? (*e.g. Kormendy & Kennicutt 2004; Kormendy et al. 2011*)

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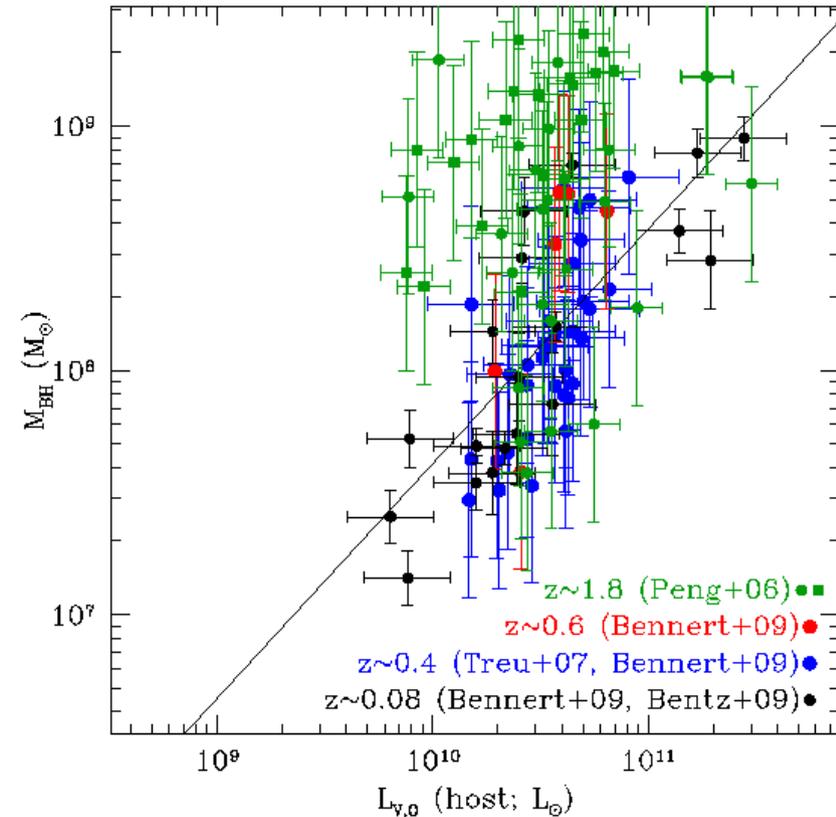


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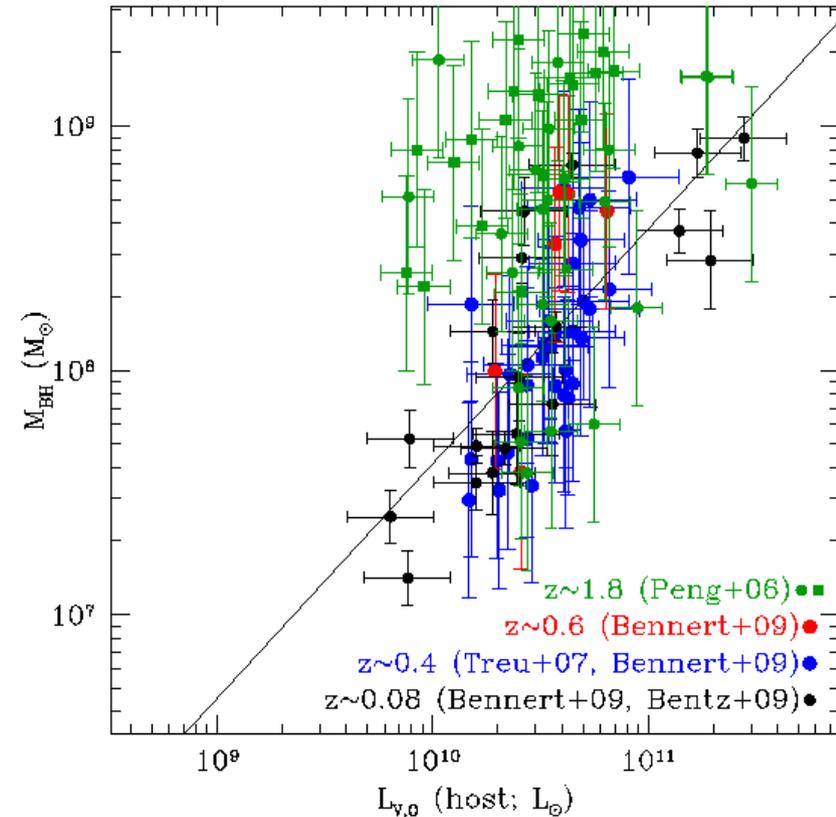
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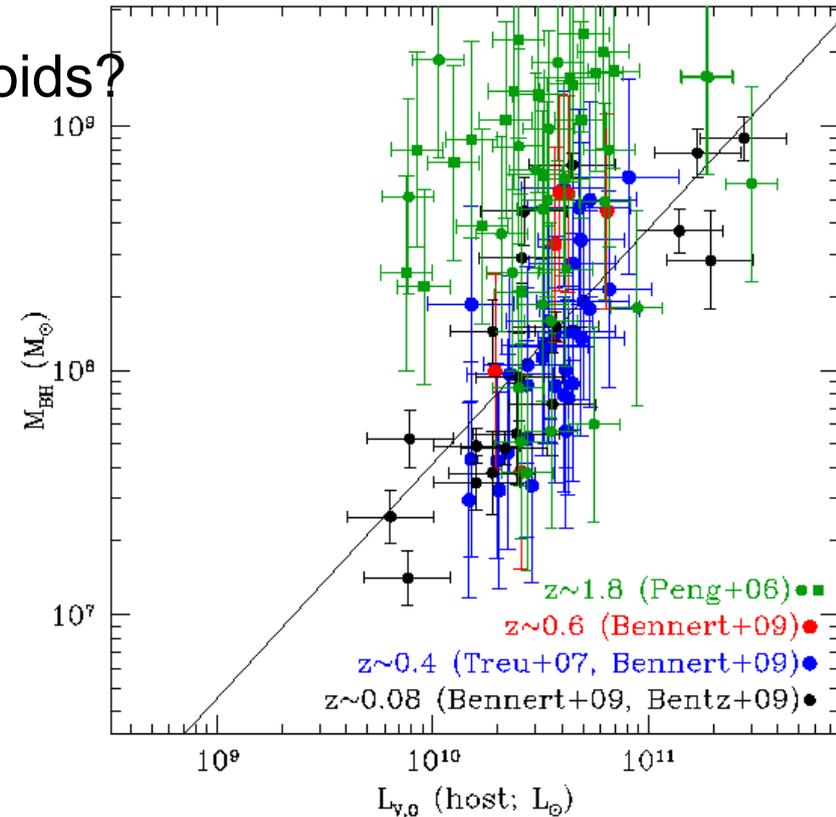
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What is dominant mechanism that grows spheroids?

Higher-mass objects, higher z : major mergers

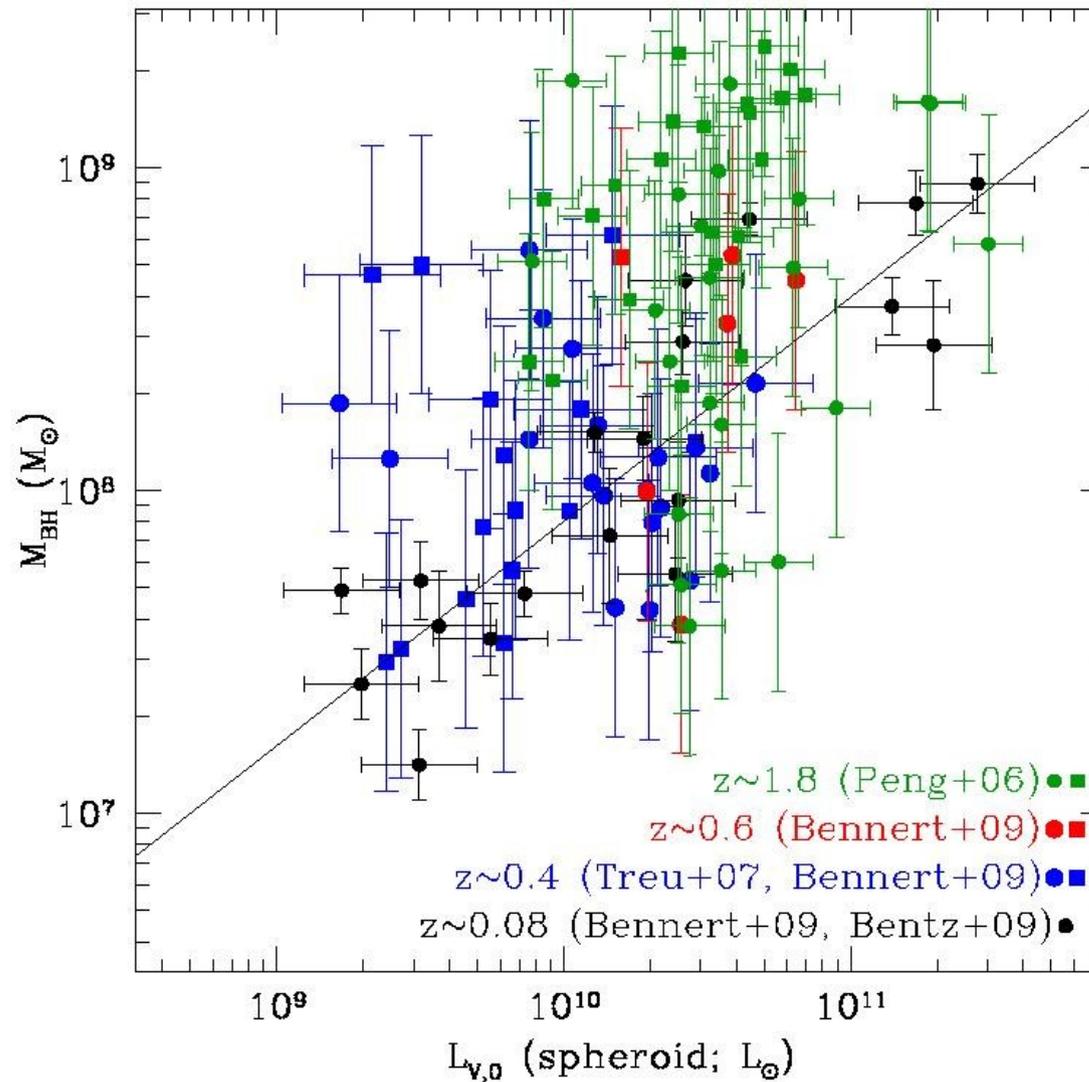
Lower-mass objects, lower z : minor mergers

(*Hopkins et al. 2009*)



Uncertainties

Passive luminosity evolution?



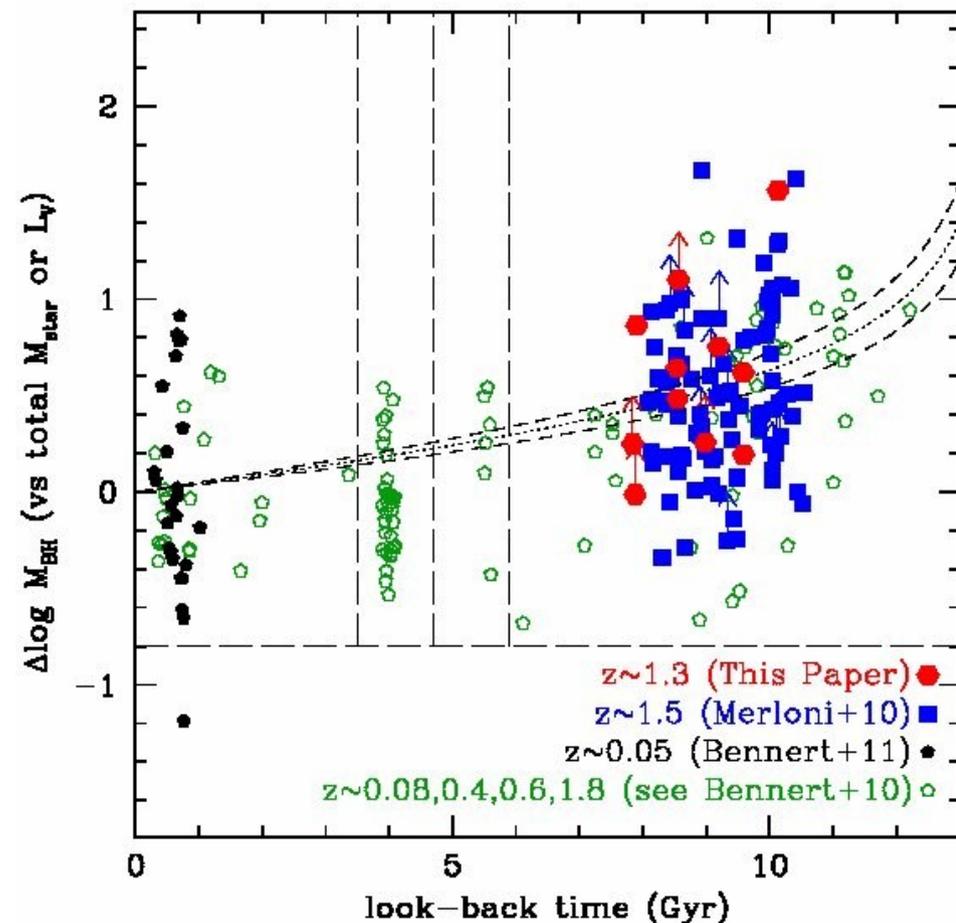
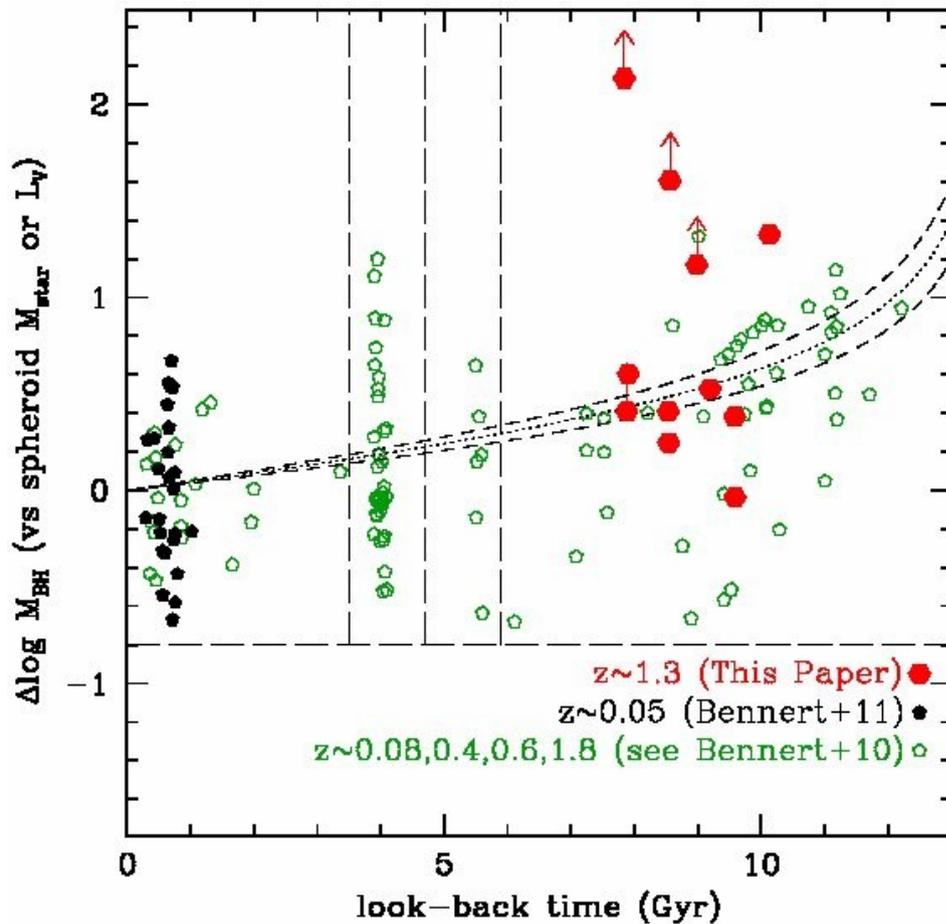
M(BH)–M* to 10 Gyrs

AGNs in GOODS: $1 < z < 2$

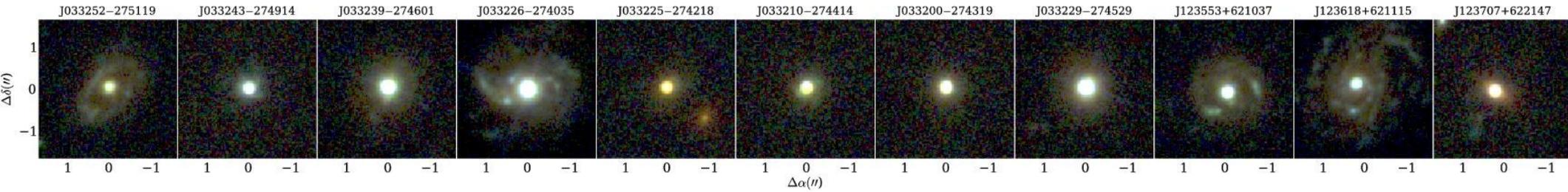
Lookback time: 8-10 Gyrs

Deep multi-color HST images

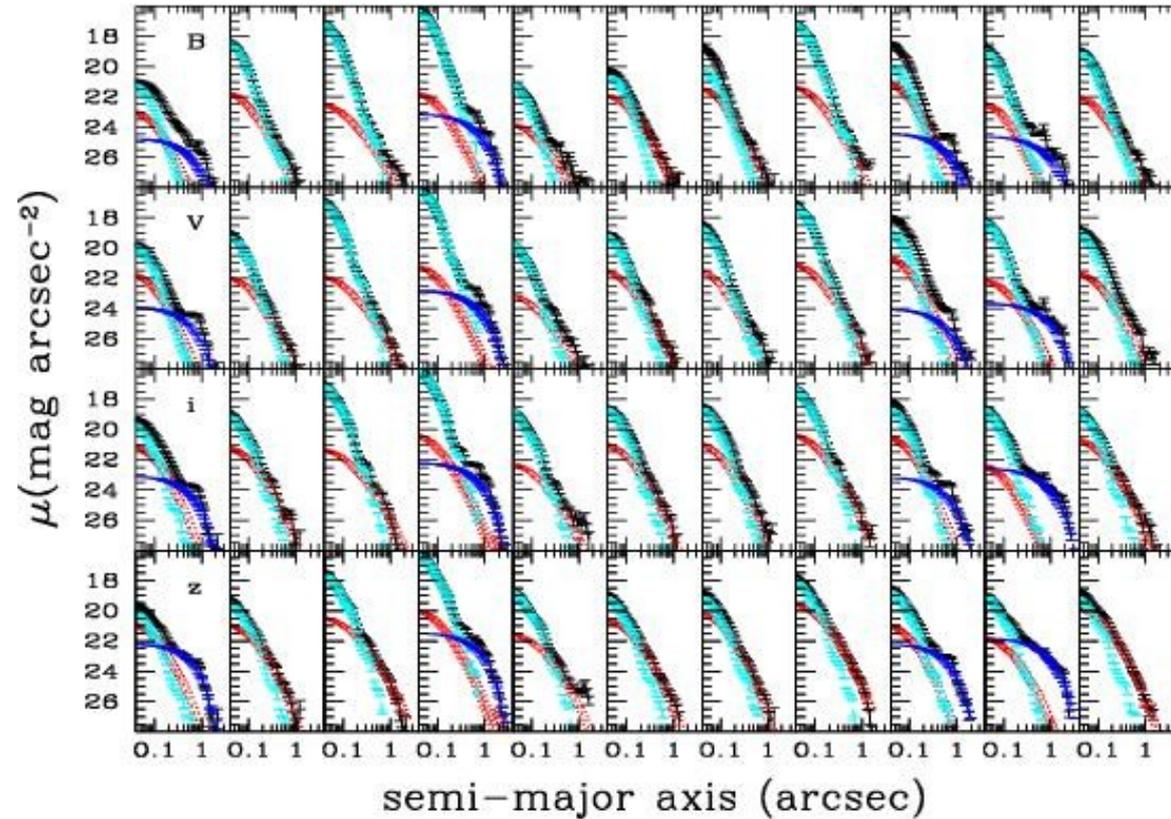
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4/11 clear spirals: bulge+disk
3 no bulge?



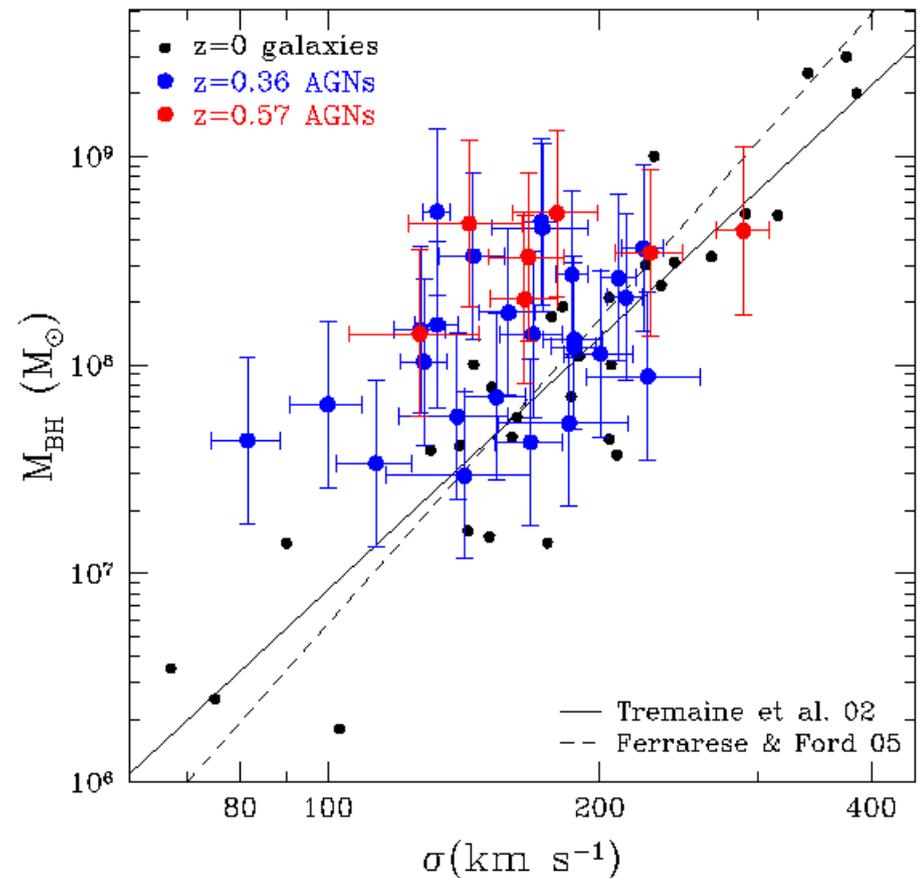
M(BH)–sigma to 4-6 Gyrs

Same sample (*Woo et al. 2011, in prep.*)

Advantage: no „passive luminosity evolution”

Distinguish different scenarios

(passive luminosity evolution, dissipational/dissipationless mergers)



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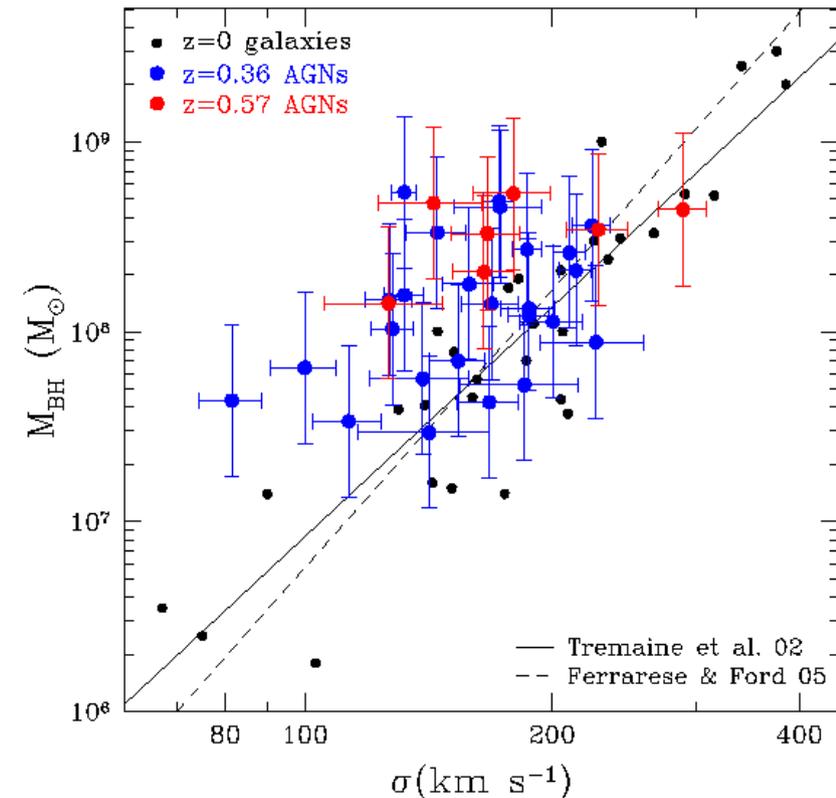
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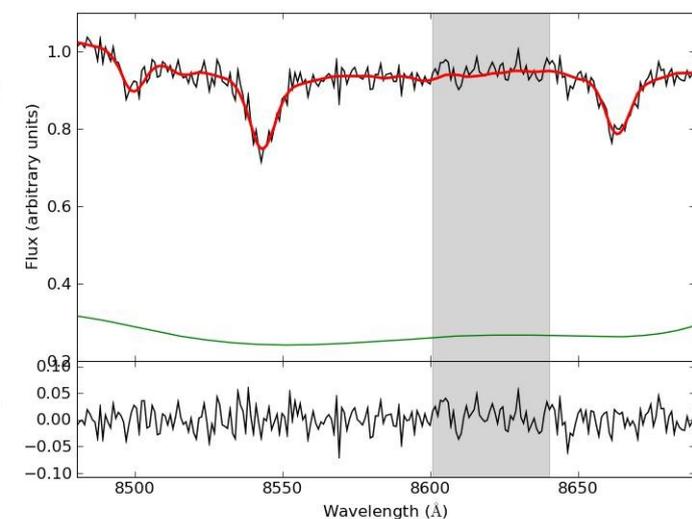
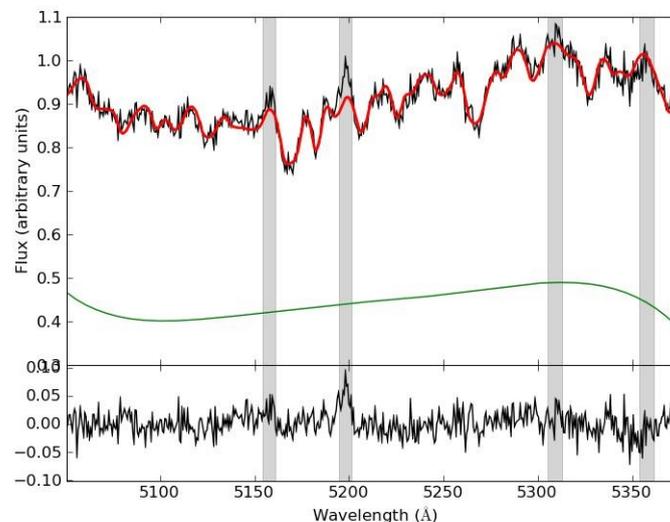
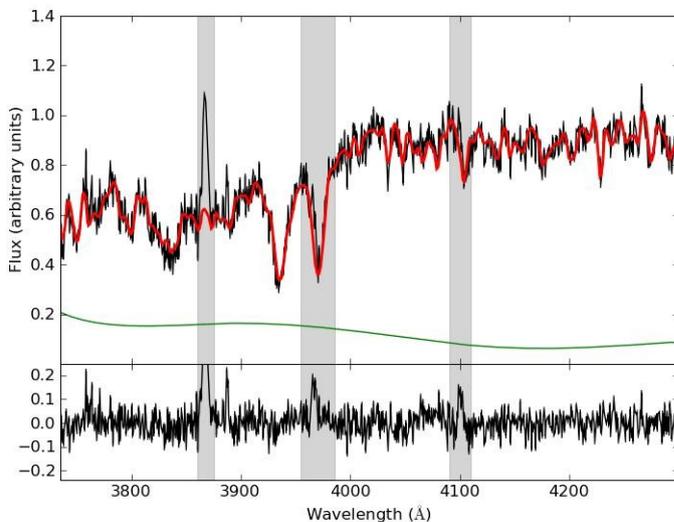
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(iii) Measure sigma from three different spectral ranges (*e.g. Greene & Ho 2006*)

CaHK region (~3735-4300 Å)

MgIb, Fe region (~5100-5300 Å)

Call triplet (~8500-8700 Å)



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Selected from SDSS:

$z=0.02-0.08$; $M(\text{BH}) > 10^7 M(\text{sun})$

Majority spirals ($\sim 65\%$)

Keck spectroscopy:

Spatially resolved along major axis

111 objects

$M(\text{BH})$

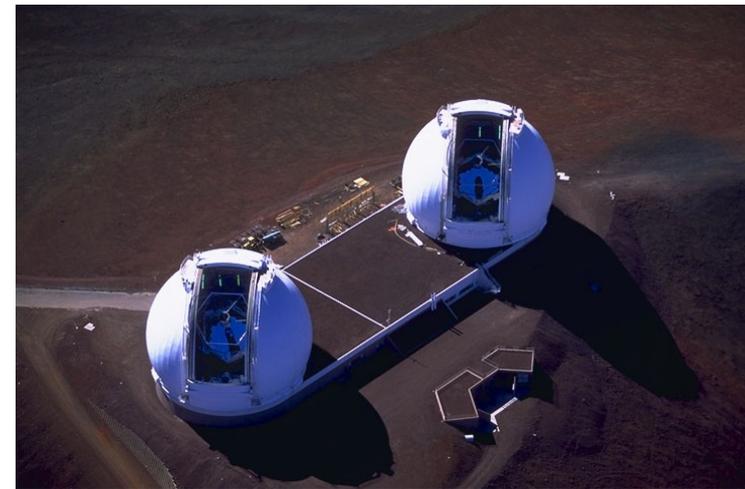
σ

SDSS images:

Spheroid luminosity

Spheroid mass

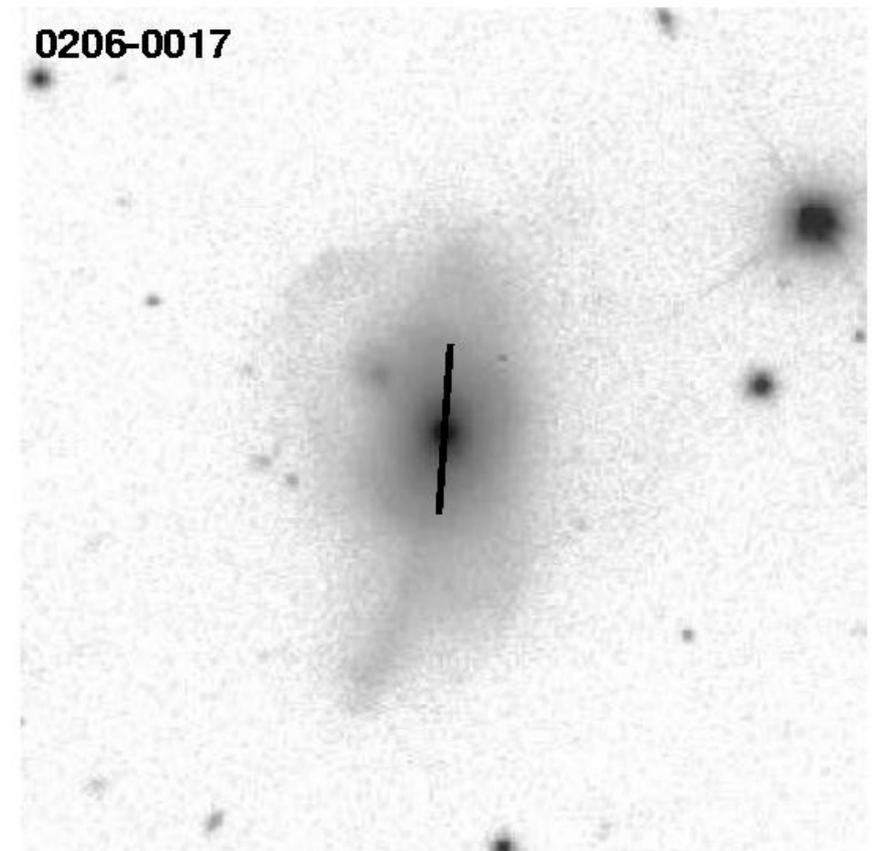
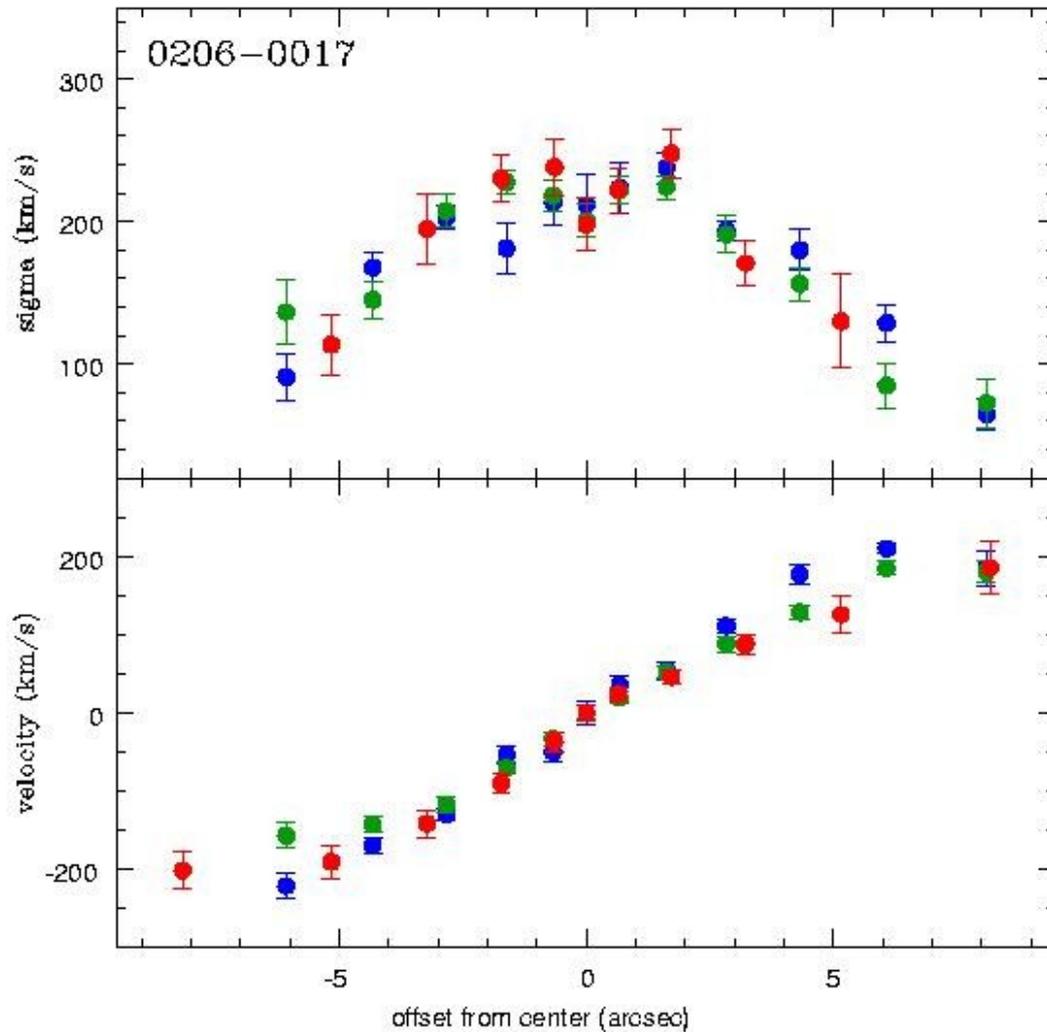
AGN luminosity for $M(\text{BH})$



Spatially resolved σ and velocity

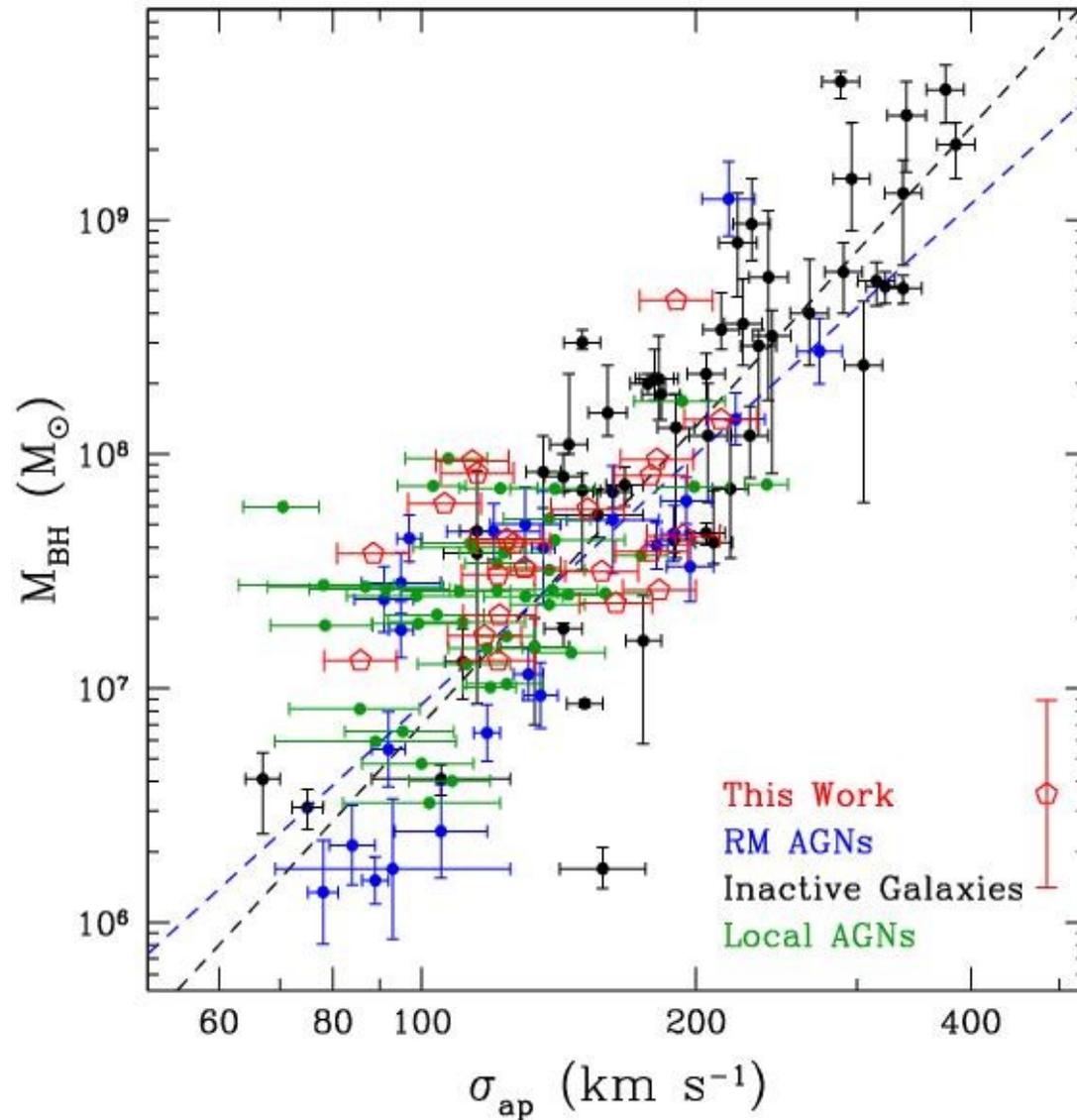
Effect of disk present but negligible

Spectral regions interchangeable



M(BH)-L, M(BH)-sigma, M(BH)-M in local Universe

Inactive galaxies and active galaxies follow same relations



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(3) $M(\text{BH})$ -L, $M(\text{BH})$ -sigma, $M(\text{BH})$ -M in local Universe Active = inactive galaxies

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Effect of disk/spectral region negligible

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