

Luminous obscured quasars in the
HELLAS2XMM survey:
the Spitzer perspective

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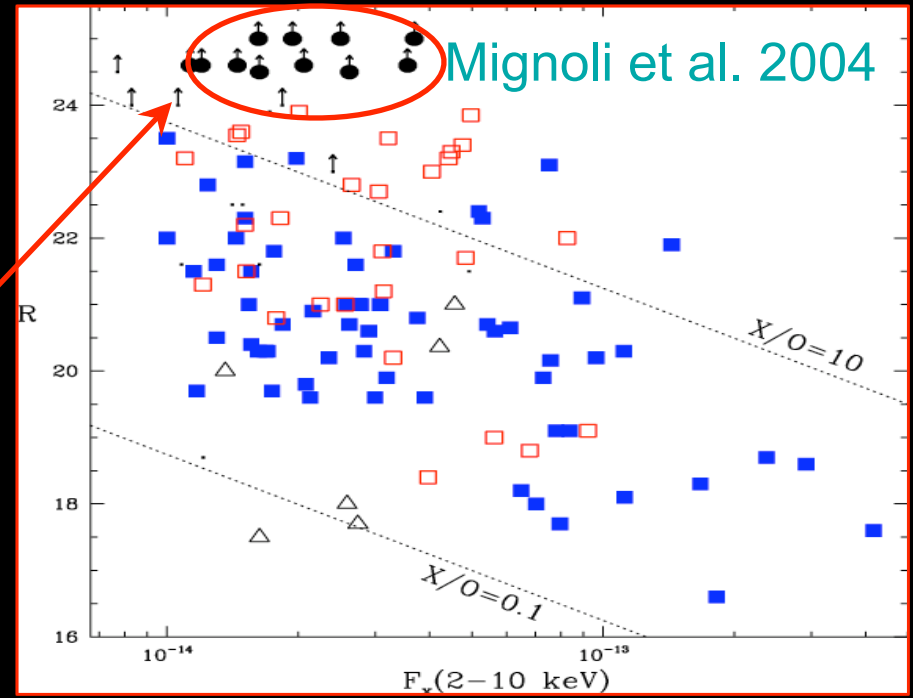
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- 2) To compare the results with other samples of AGN (mainly Type 1, i.e., broad-line), like the SDSS QSOs

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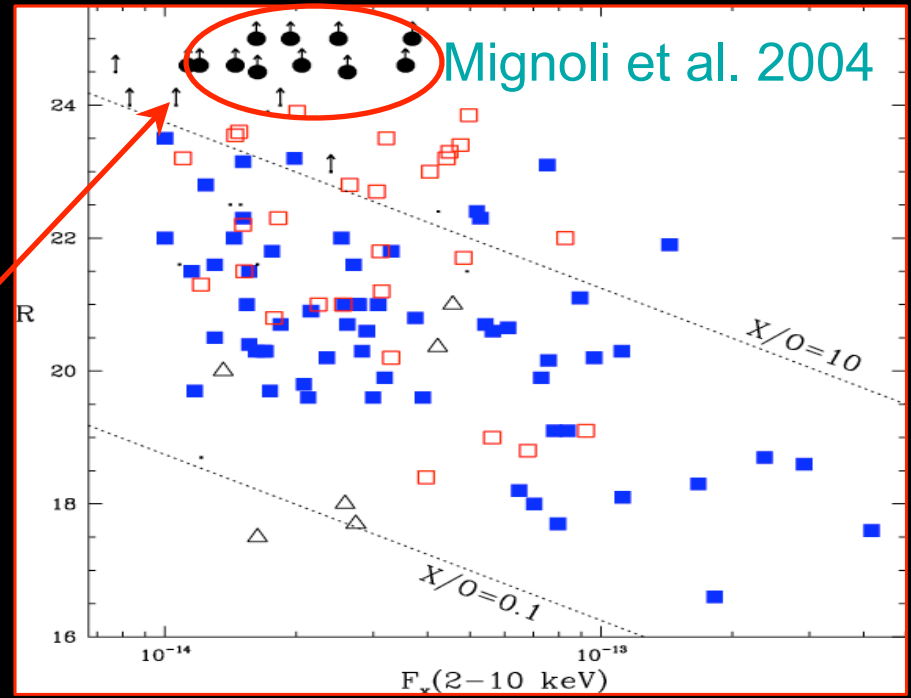


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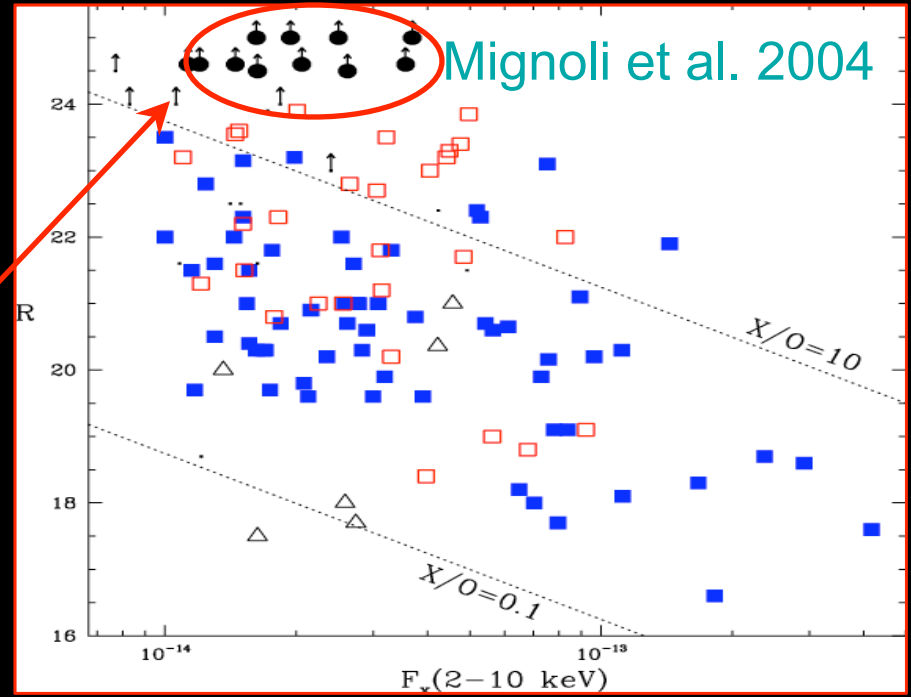


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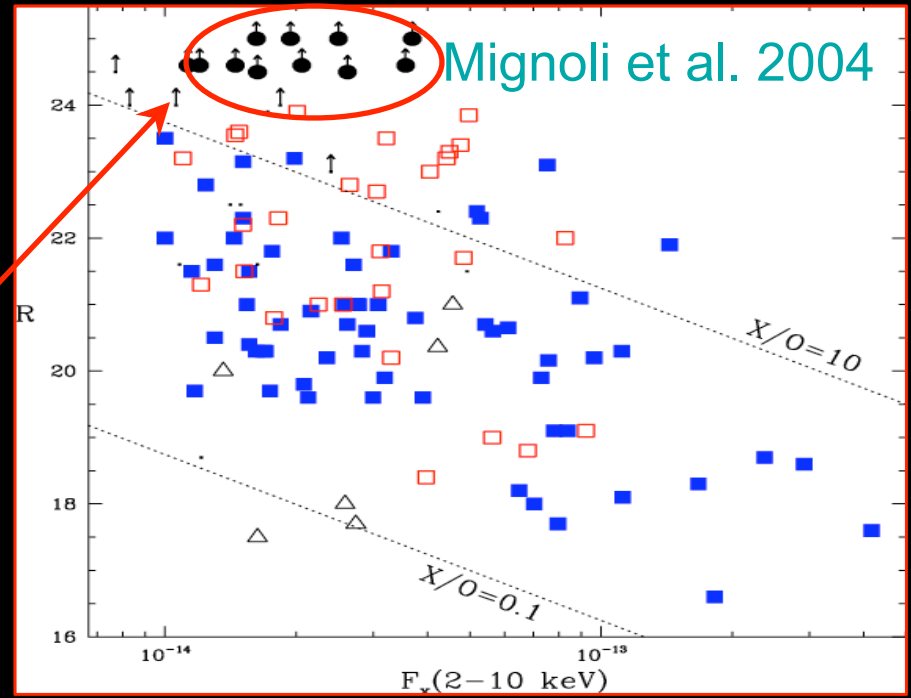


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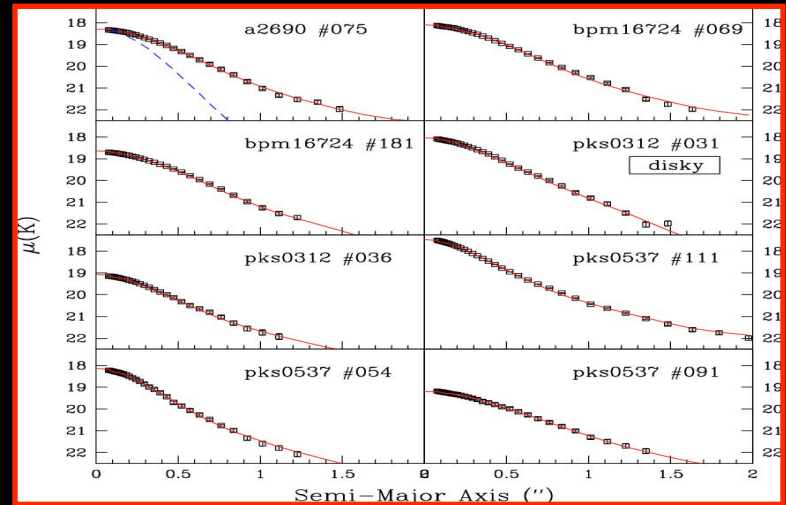
- **ALL** bright in the K_S band
- All have $R - K_S > 5$ → Extremely Red Objects (EROs), some are extreme
- Most have **elliptical** profiles, two are point-like (Mignoli et al. 2004)

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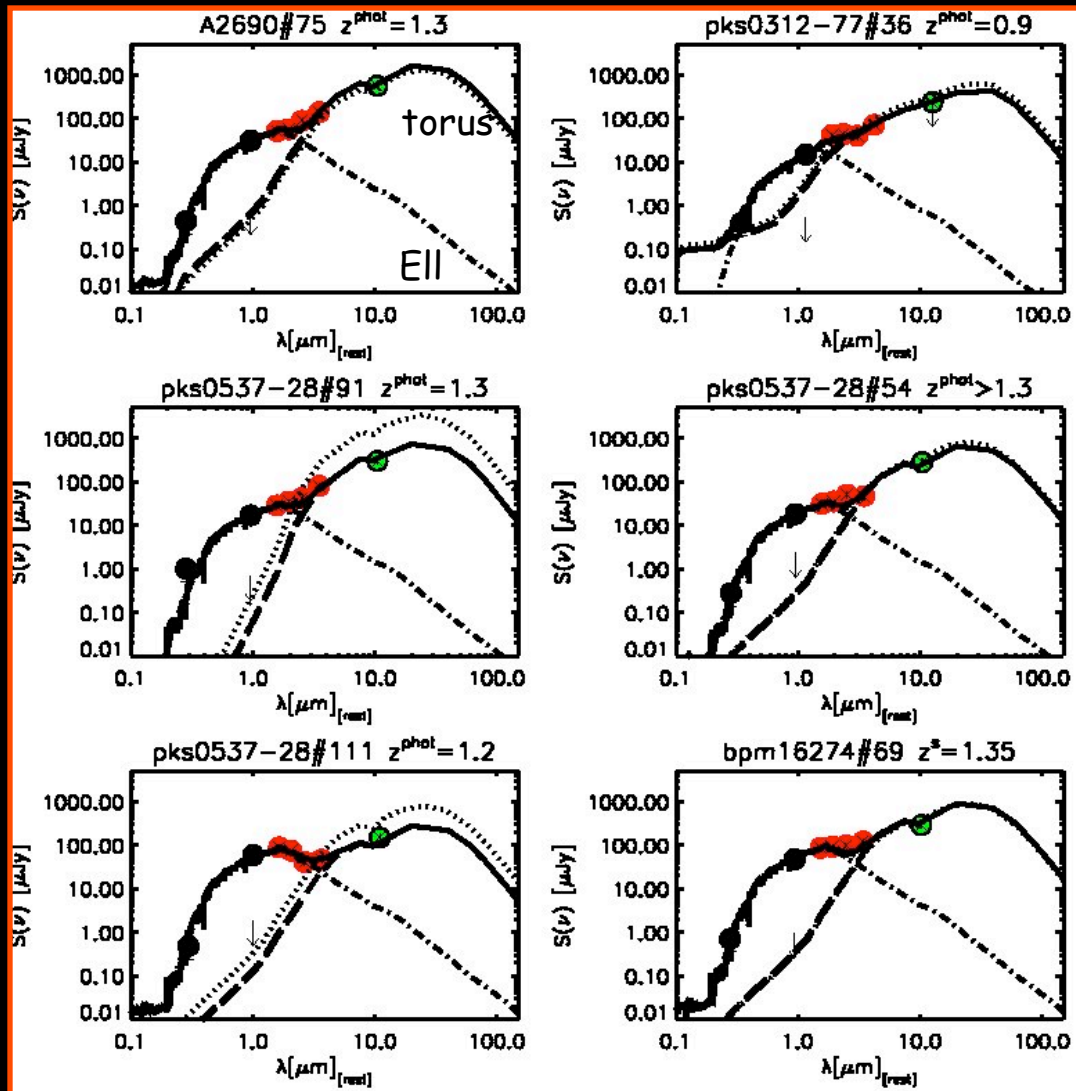


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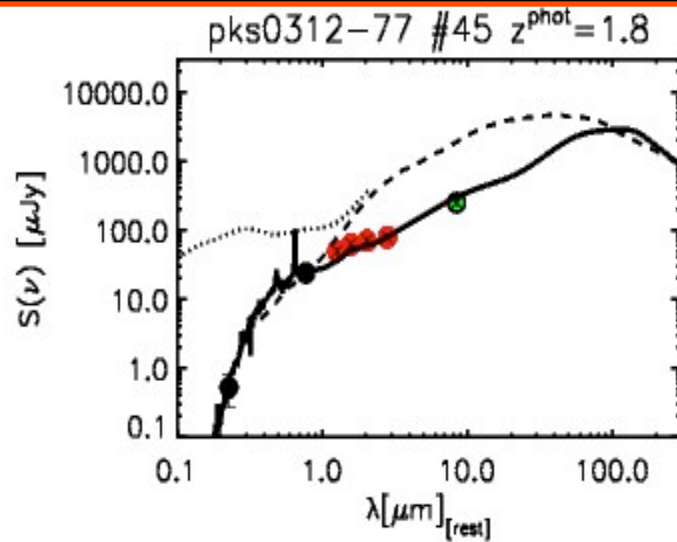
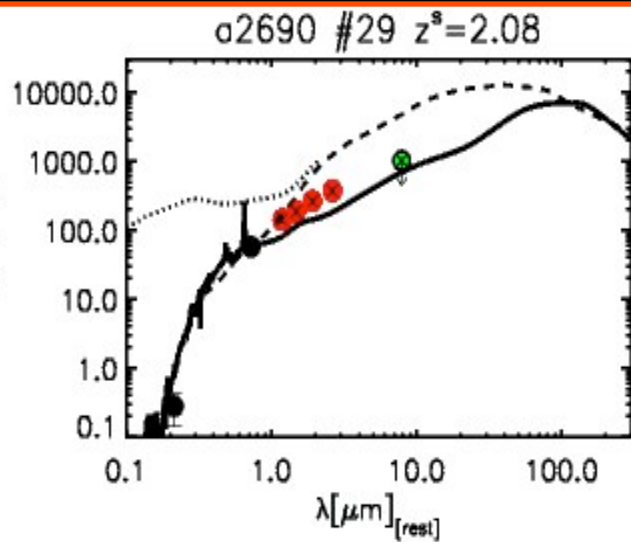
nuclear emission + host-galaxy emission



- ✓ Nuclear comp. consistent with K_s upper limits
- ✓ Nucleus starts dominating at $\approx 6 \mu\text{m}$
- ✓ Torus consistent with Silva et al. (2004) predictions -normalized to the X-rays- within factor of 2-3
- ✓ z -phot consistent with the spectroscopic ones (when available)

SED analysis II: Point-like sources (K_s band)

Extincted Type 1 quasar or red quasar template
(from Polletta et al. 2006)



- ✓ Extincted Type 1 quasar NOT able to reproduce the data
→ sharp decrease in the optical
- ✓ Good match using a **red QSO** template

Bolometric correction and luminosity

$$\text{Bolometric luminosity} = L_{\text{BOL}} = K_{\text{bol,x}} \times L_{2-10 \text{ keV}}$$

bolometric correction (≈ 35 in Type 1 QSOs from Elvis+ 94)
BUT large dispersion in the broad-line QSO SEDs

1. Sum the radiation directly linked to the accretion

$$\rightarrow L_{\text{BOL}} = L_{\text{X,INT}} + L_{\text{OPT,UV}}$$

REQUIRED: ▶ to remove IR bump (re-processed radiation)
▶ to correct for gas/dust absorption in X & optical/UV

2. Sum of the X-ray intrinsic radiation + IR radiation

$$\rightarrow L_{\text{BOL}} = L_{\text{X,INT}} + \text{corr}^* L_{\text{IR,OBS}}$$

REQUIRED: ▶ to correct for gas absorption in X-ray
▶ to correct IR emission for geometry & orientation

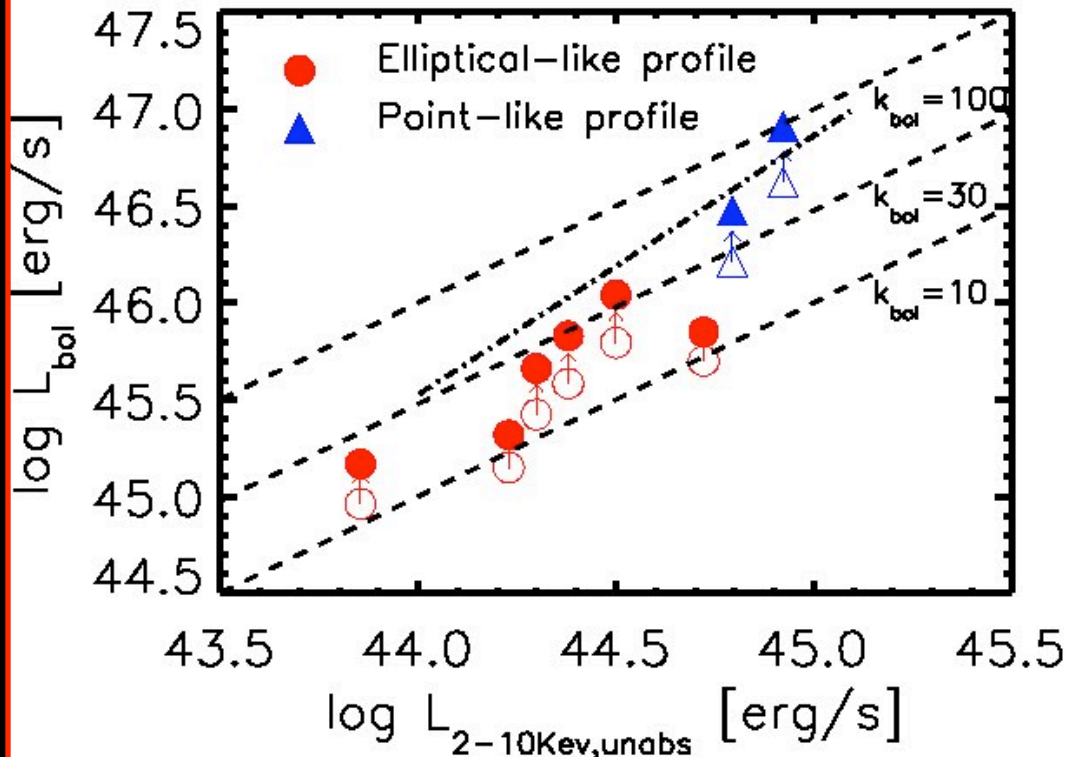
our
approach

Results (I) : Bolometric correction

$$L_{\text{BOL}} \approx 10^{45} - 10^{47} \text{ erg s}^{-1}$$

$$k_{\text{X,bol}} = L_{\text{BOL}} / L_{2-10 \text{ keV}} \approx 25 \text{ (median)}$$

$$= 35 \pm 9 \text{ (average)}$$



$k_{\text{X,bol}}$

- ▲ large spread \Rightarrow important to correct each source for its value
- ▲ mean value consistent with Elvis et al. 1994

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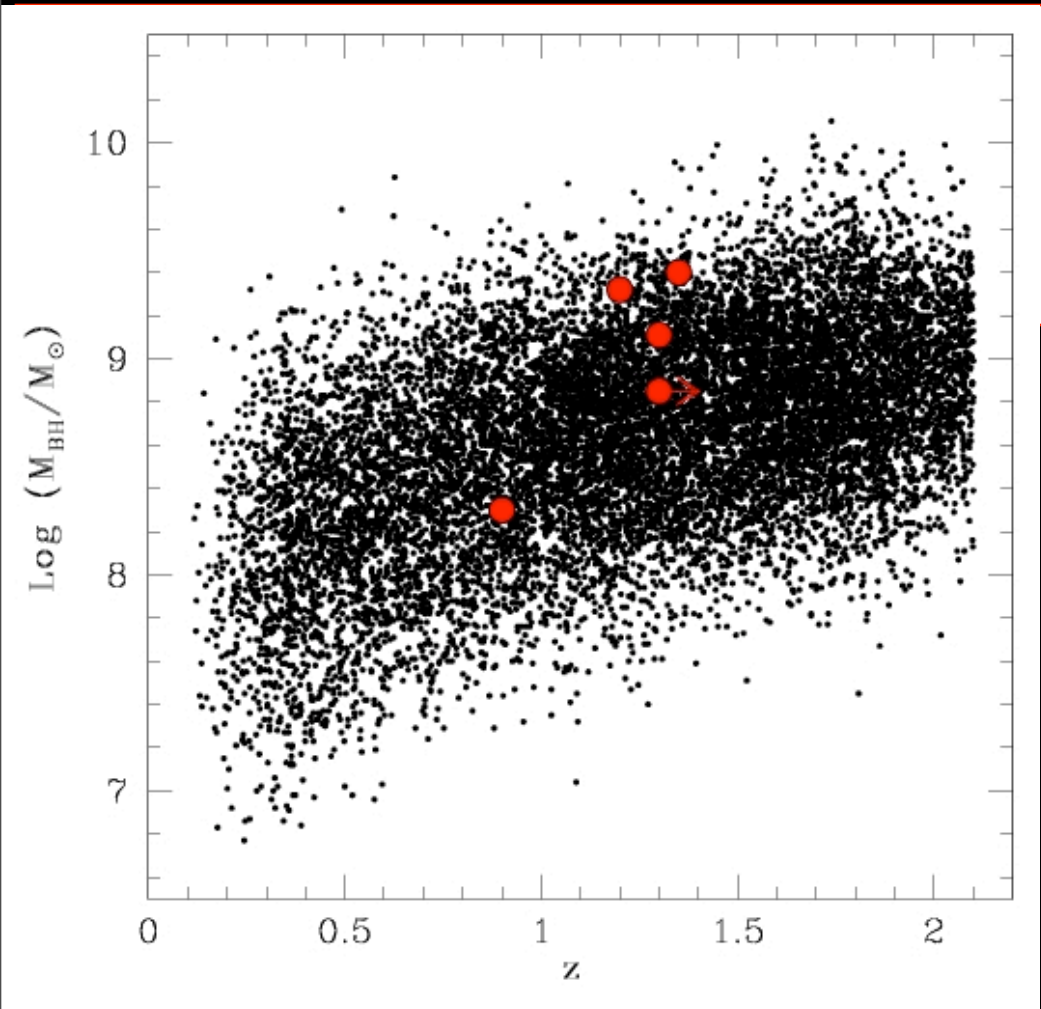
BH masses: using the Marconi & Hunt (2003) local relation +

assuming $(M_{\text{BH}}/M_*)_{z=1} = 2 \times (M_{\text{BH}}/M_*)_{z=0}$

(Peng et al. 06)

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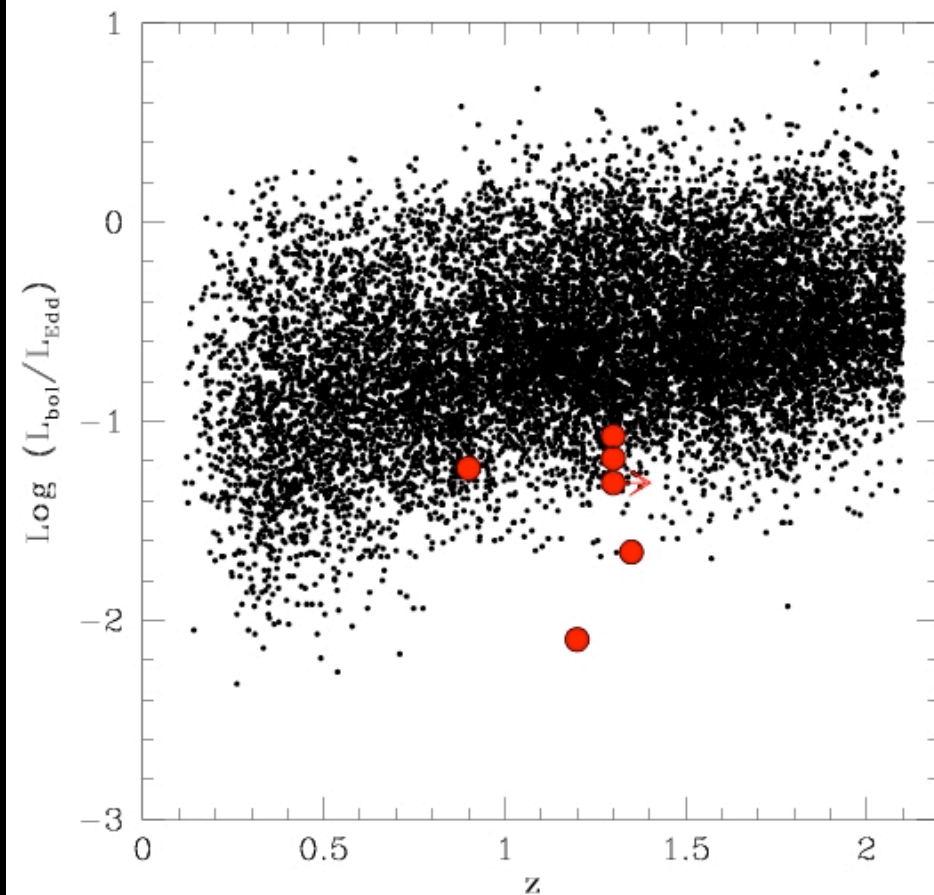
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$$M_{\text{BH}} \approx 2 \cdot 10^8 - 2.5 \cdot 10^9 M_{\odot}$$

Massive black holes consistent with SDSS quasars (see work by McLure & Dunlop 2004)

Results (III): Eddington ratios.

$$\lambda = L_{\text{BOL}} / L_{\text{EDD}} \approx 0.06$$



Indications that:

- these very massive, X-ray luminous black holes at $z \approx 1-2$ have **already passed their rapidly accreting phase**
- they have **reached their final masses with low accretion rates**

SDSS data from McLure & Dunlop '04