

PUBLIC LECTURE SERIES

# Shaping Galaxies with Supermassive Black Hole Winds

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Featuring Guest Speaker:  
**Mitchell Revalski**

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00:00:06,309 --> 00:00:04,870  
hello and welcome to the space telescope

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00:00:08,230 --> 00:00:06,319  
public lecture series

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00:00:10,709 --> 00:00:08,240  
i'm your host dr frank summers of the

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00:00:13,669 --> 00:00:10,719  
space telescope science institute

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00:00:15,749 --> 00:00:13,679  
tonight's talk shaping galaxies with

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00:00:19,429 --> 00:00:15,759  
supermassive black hole wins

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00:00:25,189 --> 00:00:22,710  
i want to thank our amazing tech team

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00:00:26,150 --> 00:00:25,199  
thomas marufu and grant justice they

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00:00:28,470 --> 00:00:26,160  
have been helping us

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00:00:29,589 --> 00:00:28,480  
transform from our live audience in the

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00:00:32,709 --> 00:00:29,599  
auditorium

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00:00:34,470 --> 00:00:32,719  
to our online only and i will say that

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00:00:35,510 --> 00:00:34,480

our lecture series will continue to be

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00:00:40,470 --> 00:00:35,520

online only

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00:00:44,310 --> 00:00:42,869

next month we have a special date it

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00:00:46,950 --> 00:00:44,320

will be on january

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00:00:48,869 --> 00:00:46,960

19th we're skipping the first one first

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00:00:50,470 --> 00:00:48,879

tuesday because it's around new year's

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00:00:52,950 --> 00:00:50,480

we're skipping the second tuesday

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00:00:54,150 --> 00:00:52,960

because it's the american astronomical

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00:00:56,709 --> 00:00:54,160

society meeting

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00:00:59,270 --> 00:00:56,719

and we're going to the third tuesday

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00:01:00,150 --> 00:00:59,280

january 19th in which we have an amazing

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00:01:03,110 --> 00:01:00,160

talk for you

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00:01:04,549 --> 00:01:03,120

the darkest secrets of the universe from

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00:01:07,350 --> 00:01:04,559

rajya muhat the curta

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00:01:07,910 --> 00:01:07,360

from university of santa cruz this is

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00:01:10,550 --> 00:01:07,920

one

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00:01:11,670 --> 00:01:10,560

you're really gonna enjoy this i know in

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00:01:14,390 --> 00:01:11,680

february and

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00:01:15,830 --> 00:01:14,400

in march we will both be meeting on the

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00:01:18,950 --> 00:01:15,840

second of the month

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00:01:21,190 --> 00:01:18,960

and because we were quite sure how long

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00:01:22,789 --> 00:01:21,200

all this coronavirus stuff would last we

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00:01:25,030 --> 00:01:22,799

hadn't scheduled yet

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00:01:26,469 --> 00:01:25,040

but it's now time to start scheduling

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00:01:29,030 --> 00:01:26,479

all throughout 2021

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00:01:30,390 --> 00:01:29,040

so don't worry as always i will make

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00:01:33,109 --> 00:01:30,400

sure we have speakers

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00:01:34,950 --> 00:01:33,119

in february and march where can you find

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00:01:38,230 --> 00:01:34,960

out that information when it pops up

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00:01:41,429 --> 00:01:38,240

well of course you can go to our website

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00:01:44,389 --> 00:01:41,439

this if you just go to [sdsci.edu](http://sdsci.edu)

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00:01:46,630 --> 00:01:44,399

public hyphen lectures you will find

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00:01:49,990 --> 00:01:46,640

this webpage talking about it

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00:01:53,429 --> 00:01:50,000

um you can see in the lower left

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00:01:56,630 --> 00:01:53,439

there is the um links to our webcast

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00:01:58,870 --> 00:01:56,640

both our youtube playlist as well as our

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00:01:59,670 --> 00:01:58,880

webcast archive on the space telescope

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00:02:01,910 --> 00:01:59,680

site

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00:02:03,670 --> 00:02:01,920  
um and in the lower right you can see

52  
00:02:05,670 --> 00:02:03,680  
how you can subscribe to our

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00:02:08,389 --> 00:02:05,680  
announcements and get an email

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00:02:09,910 --> 00:02:08,399  
once or twice a month about the public

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00:02:12,309 --> 00:02:09,920  
lectures

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00:02:13,030 --> 00:02:12,319  
also on the website are the links to the

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00:02:15,190 --> 00:02:13,040  
individual

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00:02:17,589 --> 00:02:15,200  
lectures and if you click on one of

59  
00:02:19,830 --> 00:02:17,599  
those lectures you get the full detail

60  
00:02:21,190 --> 00:02:19,840  
about it after it's been recorded you

61  
00:02:24,229 --> 00:02:21,200  
can view the webcast

62  
00:02:26,070 --> 00:02:24,239  
on the stsci webcast site or down bottom

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00:02:27,510 --> 00:02:26,080

on the youtube site and get all the

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00:02:32,790 --> 00:02:27,520

information about the speaker

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00:02:35,110 --> 00:02:32,800

and the um and the abstract

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00:02:36,710 --> 00:02:35,120

for email well the announcements you can

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00:02:37,910 --> 00:02:36,720

just sign up at the website as i showed

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00:02:40,710 --> 00:02:37,920

you previously

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00:02:41,350 --> 00:02:40,720

you can also subscribe to our youtube

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00:02:44,630 --> 00:02:41,360

channel

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00:02:45,990 --> 00:02:44,640

uh youtube.com hubble space telescope

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00:02:48,150 --> 00:02:46,000

all one word

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00:02:49,430 --> 00:02:48,160

uh if you do subscribe to our youtube

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00:02:51,750 --> 00:02:49,440

channel you'll get

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00:02:54,470 --> 00:02:51,760

new notices of new videos as well as

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00:02:56,070 --> 00:02:54,480

reminders of these live events

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00:02:57,910 --> 00:02:56,080

finally if you have comments or

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00:02:58,630 --> 00:02:57,920

questions you can send them to public

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00:03:02,390 --> 00:02:58,640

lecture

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00:03:05,190 --> 00:03:02,400

at stsci.edu

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00:03:06,550 --> 00:03:05,200

on social media we do social media for

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00:03:08,309 --> 00:03:06,560

the hubble space telescope

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00:03:10,550 --> 00:03:08,319

for the upcoming james webb space

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00:03:11,750 --> 00:03:10,560

telescope and for the space telescope

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00:03:14,710 --> 00:03:11,760

science institute

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00:03:16,229 --> 00:03:14,720

and those platf those institutions are

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00:03:19,350 --> 00:03:16,239

represented on facebook

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00:03:21,270 --> 00:03:19,360

twitter youtube and instagram so

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00:03:22,790 --> 00:03:21,280

a whole lot of social media uh

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00:03:26,309 --> 00:03:22,800

presentation for you

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00:03:28,229 --> 00:03:26,319

myself i do a tiny tiny bit on facebook

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00:03:31,990 --> 00:03:28,239

and twitter if you want to follow me

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00:03:34,550 --> 00:03:32,000

please do so and now

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00:03:37,509 --> 00:03:34,560

the news from the universe for december

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00:03:46,710 --> 00:03:40,869

our first story tonight the fading glory

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00:03:51,149 --> 00:03:46,720

of supernova 2018 gv

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00:03:54,309 --> 00:03:51,159

this is the this is the galaxy ngc

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00:03:55,670 --> 00:03:54,319

2525 and as you can see it's a nice

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00:03:58,070 --> 00:03:55,680

spiral galaxy

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00:04:00,070 --> 00:03:58,080

this is a ground-based observation from

101  
00:04:01,509 --> 00:04:00,080  
uh the carnegie observatory

102  
00:04:03,350 --> 00:04:01,519  
and you can see that's got some

103  
00:04:04,390 --> 00:04:03,360  
interesting spiral structure and

104  
00:04:07,830 --> 00:04:04,400  
everything

105  
00:04:12,309 --> 00:04:07,840  
but ground-based doesn't quite capture

106  
00:04:15,509 --> 00:04:12,319  
the real detail in there this

107  
00:04:17,509 --> 00:04:15,519  
that's the hubble image yeah isn't that

108  
00:04:19,349 --> 00:04:17,519  
amazing that you get the resolution

109  
00:04:21,030 --> 00:04:19,359  
by getting up above earth's atmosphere

110  
00:04:21,830 --> 00:04:21,040  
you get an amazing resolution let me go

111  
00:04:24,870 --> 00:04:21,840  
back

112  
00:04:28,150 --> 00:04:24,880  
here is ground-based and here is

113  
00:04:30,790 --> 00:04:28,160

hubble ah yeah kind of great

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00:04:31,909 --> 00:04:30,800

but there's also one thing kind of

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00:04:33,270 --> 00:04:31,919

interesting

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00:04:34,550 --> 00:04:33,280

i don't know if you guys saw it watch

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00:04:35,670 --> 00:04:34,560

carefully all right we'll go back to the

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00:04:37,749 --> 00:04:35,680

ground based

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00:04:39,189 --> 00:04:37,759

now see if you can see something pop on

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00:04:42,550 --> 00:04:39,199

when we go to the

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00:04:45,909 --> 00:04:42,560

hubble to catch it it's

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00:04:49,990 --> 00:04:45,919

right up here that is not

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00:04:53,909 --> 00:04:50,000

a star that is an exploded star

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00:04:56,310 --> 00:04:53,919

supernova 2018 gv

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00:04:56,950 --> 00:04:56,320

now it looks like a star but really it's

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00:04:58,629 --> 00:04:56,960

it's not

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00:05:01,029 --> 00:04:58,639

it's a supernova explosion which is

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00:05:02,310 --> 00:05:01,039

extremely bright all the other stars you

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00:05:05,350 --> 00:05:02,320

see in this image

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00:05:07,990 --> 00:05:05,360

they're not in the galaxy ngc 2525

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00:05:09,749 --> 00:05:08,000

they're in our own milky way galaxy

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00:05:11,110 --> 00:05:09,759

remember as we look out through our

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00:05:13,670 --> 00:05:11,120

milky way galaxy at

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00:05:15,029 --> 00:05:13,680

distant galaxies beyond we have we go

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00:05:16,950 --> 00:05:15,039

through this screen of stars so the

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00:05:19,189 --> 00:05:16,960

stars you're seeing in this image

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00:05:21,189 --> 00:05:19,199

are actually very close to us they're

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00:05:24,550 --> 00:05:21,199

inside the milky way

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00:05:29,270 --> 00:05:24,560

whereas 2018 gv is

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00:05:32,550 --> 00:05:29,280

actually located in ngc 2525

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00:05:34,070 --> 00:05:32,560

millions of light years away it has to

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00:05:37,270 --> 00:05:34,080

be incredibly

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00:05:39,270 --> 00:05:37,280

bright so that we can see it that far

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00:05:41,430 --> 00:05:39,280

across the universe and that's one of

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00:05:44,310 --> 00:05:41,440

the important things about supernovae

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00:05:45,510 --> 00:05:44,320

is that we can see them occur in other

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00:05:48,310 --> 00:05:45,520

galaxies

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00:05:50,310 --> 00:05:48,320

and so this one was first observed

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00:05:51,510 --> 00:05:50,320

with a ground-based telescope in january

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00:05:53,909 --> 00:05:51,520

2018

151  
00:05:56,150 --> 00:05:53,919  
and hubble started following in in

152  
00:05:59,670 --> 00:05:56,160  
february of 2018

153  
00:06:00,950 --> 00:05:59,680  
and hubble was able to watch as it faded

154  
00:06:04,230 --> 00:06:00,960  
away

155  
00:06:07,510 --> 00:06:04,240  
so this is a a close-up of

156  
00:06:08,790 --> 00:06:07,520  
a supernova 2018 starting in about

157  
00:06:12,309 --> 00:06:08,800  
february 2000 uh

158  
00:06:13,189 --> 00:06:12,319  
2018 going for about one year and it's a

159  
00:06:14,629 --> 00:06:13,199  
movie

160  
00:06:17,590 --> 00:06:14,639  
so we're gonna play it through and you

161  
00:06:19,189 --> 00:06:17,600  
can watch the star fade away

162  
00:06:20,790 --> 00:06:19,199  
and go back and looking it's like a

163  
00:06:21,350 --> 00:06:20,800

small one this is only over a course of

164

00:06:23,350 --> 00:06:21,360

a year

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00:06:25,590 --> 00:06:23,360

supernova actually fade over the course

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00:06:27,350 --> 00:06:25,600

of about three or four years

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00:06:29,110 --> 00:06:27,360

at least for uh for astronomers to

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00:06:31,029 --> 00:06:29,120

follow them and you can watch and you

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00:06:34,390 --> 00:06:31,039

can see we plotted a graph

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00:06:37,510 --> 00:06:34,400

to show you the brightness um at peak

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00:06:38,550 --> 00:06:37,520

and then following and fading down over

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00:06:40,950 --> 00:06:38,560

time

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00:06:42,550 --> 00:06:40,960

that's actually kind of important

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00:06:45,749 --> 00:06:42,560

because

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00:06:46,390 --> 00:06:45,759

the way a supernova decreases in its

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00:06:49,670 --> 00:06:46,400

light curve

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00:06:52,309 --> 00:06:49,680

from its peak magnitude down uh

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00:06:53,430 --> 00:06:52,319

as it fades away actually tells us a lot

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00:06:55,510 --> 00:06:53,440

about the physics

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00:06:58,070 --> 00:06:55,520

of the supernova there are different

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00:07:01,270 --> 00:06:58,080

types type 1a type 1b

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00:07:03,189 --> 00:07:01,280

type 2b type 2 n i've never heard

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00:07:05,110 --> 00:07:03,199

i hadn't heard of that until i looked at

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00:07:06,950 --> 00:07:05,120

this chart earlier today

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00:07:08,710 --> 00:07:06,960

um that's the hypernova stuff and you

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00:07:10,870 --> 00:07:08,720

can see how there are various

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00:07:12,790 --> 00:07:10,880

ways of involved that tells you and

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00:07:16,309 --> 00:07:12,800

there are certain supernovae

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that are really important for cosmology

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these are the the type 1a supernovae

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and here are two others that occurred in

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00:07:28,390 --> 00:07:24,800

other galaxies supernova 1994 d

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00:07:31,430 --> 00:07:28,400

and supernova 2011 fe

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00:07:33,430 --> 00:07:31,440

and by looking at these supernovae and

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00:07:35,029 --> 00:07:33,440

finding out how they how how they

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00:07:36,710 --> 00:07:35,039

decrease and

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00:07:38,070 --> 00:07:36,720

understanding that gives us their

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00:07:39,830 --> 00:07:38,080

maximum brightness

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00:07:41,749 --> 00:07:39,840

which gives us distances to these

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00:07:43,430 --> 00:07:41,759

galaxies which when we measure the

201  
00:07:46,550 --> 00:07:43,440  
redshifts of these galaxies

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00:07:47,510 --> 00:07:46,560  
helps us refine the expansion rate of

203  
00:07:49,430 --> 00:07:47,520  
the universe

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00:07:50,790 --> 00:07:49,440  
right this is actually part of a large

205  
00:07:53,909 --> 00:07:50,800  
project called

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00:07:54,390 --> 00:07:53,919  
shoes which is some convoluted acronym

207  
00:07:56,150 --> 00:07:54,400  
about

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00:07:58,150 --> 00:07:56,160  
supernova with hubble to measure the

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00:08:00,309 --> 00:07:58,160  
expansion rate of the universe all right

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00:08:01,670 --> 00:08:00,319  
and so it's a very large project

211  
00:08:03,749 --> 00:08:01,680  
looking for these different distant

212  
00:08:06,469 --> 00:08:03,759  
supernovae in these distant

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00:08:07,189 --> 00:08:06,479

galaxies to measure the distances and

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00:08:09,589 --> 00:08:07,199

the redshifts

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00:08:10,629 --> 00:08:09,599

and measure the expansion rate of the

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00:08:13,350 --> 00:08:10,639

universe

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00:08:14,309 --> 00:08:13,360

so this is just one more piece in that

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00:08:16,070 --> 00:08:14,319

puzzle

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00:08:17,990 --> 00:08:16,080

but it's very nice that hubble was able

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00:08:18,950 --> 00:08:18,000

to observe it many times over the course

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00:08:22,469 --> 00:08:18,960

of a year

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00:08:25,990 --> 00:08:22,479

to truly watch and see the fading glory

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00:08:29,270 --> 00:08:26,000

of that supernova

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00:08:33,670 --> 00:08:29,280

our second story arecibo over

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00:08:36,949 --> 00:08:33,680

and out this is a sad story to tell

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00:08:38,709 --> 00:08:36,959

because it's about the arecibo radio

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00:08:40,949 --> 00:08:38,719

observatory which is located

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00:08:42,550 --> 00:08:40,959

as you might guess in arecibo puerto

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00:08:45,269 --> 00:08:42,560

rico

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00:08:46,230 --> 00:08:45,279

arecibo is located in the mountains of

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00:08:48,949 --> 00:08:46,240

puerto rico

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00:08:50,470 --> 00:08:48,959

in a natural sinkhole and using the

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00:08:52,630 --> 00:08:50,480

natural sinkhole which

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00:08:54,870 --> 00:08:52,640

already does most of the shaping for it

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00:08:58,710 --> 00:08:54,880

they were able to create a radio dish

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00:09:00,790 --> 00:08:58,720

one thousand feet across uh it was built

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00:09:03,030 --> 00:09:00,800

in the 1960s it started operation in

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00:09:06,070 --> 00:09:03,040

november 1963.

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00:09:08,550 --> 00:09:06,080

um so it is the has been the

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00:09:09,670 --> 00:09:08,560

largest rate single dish radio

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00:09:13,269 --> 00:09:09,680

observatory

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00:09:13,990 --> 00:09:13,279

until 2016. for over 50 years it was the

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00:09:17,430 --> 00:09:14,000

largest

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00:09:19,269 --> 00:09:17,440

single aperture radio telescope

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00:09:20,949 --> 00:09:19,279

it's been used for radio astronomy it's

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00:09:22,710 --> 00:09:20,959

been used for radar astronomy

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00:09:24,310 --> 00:09:22,720

they can actually send out signals with

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00:09:26,470 --> 00:09:24,320

it um they

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00:09:28,310 --> 00:09:26,480

have been used for atmospheric science

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00:09:30,310 --> 00:09:28,320

um and it's also been used for the

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00:09:33,269 --> 00:09:30,320

search for extraterrestrial intelligence

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00:09:33,750 --> 00:09:33,279

they actually sent out a signal um out

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00:09:36,470 --> 00:09:33,760

that

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00:09:37,430 --> 00:09:36,480

maybe somebody somewhere will actually

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00:09:41,110 --> 00:09:37,440

see

256

00:09:44,790 --> 00:09:41,120

extra

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00:09:47,670 --> 00:09:44,800

in the movie contact

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00:09:50,230 --> 00:09:47,680

starring jody foster that movie came out

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00:09:53,110 --> 00:09:50,240

in 1997.

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00:09:55,670 --> 00:09:53,120

of course that's sort of a geeky movie

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00:09:57,990 --> 00:09:55,680

it was based on a book by carl sagan

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00:09:59,509 --> 00:09:58,000

i'm sure most people remember the

263

00:10:01,990 --> 00:09:59,519

receiver radio observatory

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00:10:03,670 --> 00:10:02,000

for its appearance in the james bond

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00:10:06,069 --> 00:10:03,680

film goldeneye

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00:10:08,150 --> 00:10:06,079

where pierce brosnan and sean bean had

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00:10:11,350 --> 00:10:08,160

this big fight out on the radio

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00:10:14,389 --> 00:10:11,360

uh array in the center of the dish okay

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00:10:17,750 --> 00:10:14,399

uh yeah that never actually happened

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00:10:20,230 --> 00:10:17,760

but you know people uh uh

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00:10:23,110 --> 00:10:20,240

they actually filmed it while uh arecibo

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00:10:25,750 --> 00:10:23,120

was under undergoing um

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00:10:27,110 --> 00:10:25,760

uh undergoing repairs but the scene that

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00:10:28,550 --> 00:10:27,120

they filmed was actually filmed with

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00:10:29,829 --> 00:10:28,560

green screen around it so they didn't

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00:10:30,389 --> 00:10:29,839

actually get out there in front of they

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00:10:33,069 --> 00:10:30,399

did

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00:10:34,630 --> 00:10:33,079

various scenes all right so

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00:10:37,750 --> 00:10:34,640

unfortunately

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00:10:40,949 --> 00:10:37,760

not even james bond can save the arecibo

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00:10:43,670 --> 00:10:40,959

observatory from the ravages of time

282

00:10:43,990 --> 00:10:43,680

and this year has been particularly bad

283

00:10:45,910 --> 00:10:44,000

uh

284

00:10:47,829 --> 00:10:45,920

in august of this year one of the

285

00:10:48,790 --> 00:10:47,839

auxiliary cables you see this structure

286

00:10:51,190 --> 00:10:48,800

that's holding up

287

00:10:52,150 --> 00:10:51,200

uh the main radio platform uh receiver

288

00:10:54,870 --> 00:10:52,160

platform

289

00:10:55,269 --> 00:10:54,880

um one of the auxiliary cables snapped

290

00:11:04,790 --> 00:10:55,279

in

291

00:11:05,990 --> 00:11:04,800

uh and then you know they did the

292

00:11:07,670 --> 00:11:06,000

analysis and they said okay the

293

00:11:08,389 --> 00:11:07,680

remaining cable should be able to hold

294

00:11:11,509 --> 00:11:08,399

it

295

00:11:12,310 --> 00:11:11,519

but in on november 6th of this year one

296

00:11:13,990 --> 00:11:12,320

of the main

297

00:11:16,470 --> 00:11:14,000

cables not an auxiliary cable one of the

298

00:11:18,550 --> 00:11:16,480

main cables snapped

299

00:11:20,150 --> 00:11:18,560

and there was a significant damage which

300

00:11:22,949 --> 00:11:20,160

you can see in this big picture

301

00:11:26,069 --> 00:11:22,959

but let me bring up a close-up and you

302

00:11:28,790 --> 00:11:26,079

can see the kind of damage that was done

303

00:11:29,829 --> 00:11:28,800

and in mid-november around november 19th

304

00:11:31,670 --> 00:11:29,839

i think it was

305

00:11:33,269 --> 00:11:31,680

the national science foundation which

306

00:11:34,470 --> 00:11:33,279

runs this observatory

307

00:11:36,470 --> 00:11:34,480

announced that it would be dis

308

00:11:38,470 --> 00:11:36,480

decommissioned that they would not

309

00:11:39,910 --> 00:11:38,480

um be able to repair it it would cost

310

00:11:40,389 --> 00:11:39,920

too much they didn't have the budget for

311

00:11:43,590 --> 00:11:40,399

it

312

00:11:46,630 --> 00:11:43,600

um and that the world's one of these

313

00:11:47,910 --> 00:11:46,640

iconic telescopes uh would be would be

314

00:11:51,590 --> 00:11:47,920

mothball

315

00:11:53,990 --> 00:11:51,600

um however it still kept

316

00:11:55,190 --> 00:11:54,000

things still kept happening over the

317

00:11:58,069 --> 00:11:55,200

weekend

318

00:11:58,470 --> 00:11:58,079

several wires within cables snapped and

319

00:12:02,629 --> 00:11:58,480

around

320

00:12:03,750 --> 00:12:02,639

8 am this morning there was catastrophic

321

00:12:06,870 --> 00:12:03,760

failure

322

00:12:12,389 --> 00:12:06,880

the whole main

323

00:12:16,310 --> 00:12:12,399

array fell into the dish uh 900 tons

324

00:12:20,310 --> 00:12:16,320

of receiver platform fell over 400 feet

325

00:12:22,870 --> 00:12:20,320

down and smashed into the radio dish

326

00:12:24,629 --> 00:12:22,880

the news of this spread like a wildfire

327

00:12:25,350 --> 00:12:24,639

across the astronomical community this

328

00:12:27,110 --> 00:12:25,360

morning

329

00:12:28,710 --> 00:12:27,120

and i finally found this observe this

330

00:12:33,269 --> 00:12:28,720

image from um

331

00:12:37,030 --> 00:12:33,279

the science magazine and it's just

332

00:12:40,069 --> 00:12:37,040

yeah it's uh 57 years of this telescope

333

00:12:43,509 --> 00:12:40,079

it's in dirt hurricanes and earthquakes

334

00:12:46,470 --> 00:12:43,519

and unfortunately that is it

335

00:12:48,150 --> 00:12:46,480

so i will always remember the arab civil

336

00:12:50,230 --> 00:12:48,160

observatory like this

337

00:12:52,069 --> 00:12:50,240

uh in its heyday while it was producing

338

00:12:56,629 --> 00:12:52,079

amazing science across

339

00:12:59,509 --> 00:12:56,639

many fields started in 1963

340

00:13:01,670 --> 00:12:59,519

decommissioned in 2020 the arecibo

341

00:13:03,269 --> 00:13:01,680

observatory has had its last radio

342

00:13:08,710 --> 00:13:03,279

transmission

343

00:13:13,509 --> 00:13:11,990

and now to our featured speaker

344

00:13:16,629 --> 00:13:13,519

our featured speaker is mitchell

345

00:13:18,790 --> 00:13:16,639

robolsky and he has been with the space

346

00:13:20,710 --> 00:13:18,800

telescope science institute

347

00:13:22,470 --> 00:13:20,720

for about a year a little longer than a

348

00:13:24,389 --> 00:13:22,480

year uh he is a

349

00:13:25,829 --> 00:13:24,399

post-doc which is what you do after

350

00:13:26,949 --> 00:13:25,839

you've finished your graduate work you

351

00:13:29,190 --> 00:13:26,959

get your phd

352

00:13:31,110 --> 00:13:29,200

and then you do some post-docking before

353

00:13:33,910 --> 00:13:31,120

you then get your faculty job

354

00:13:35,670 --> 00:13:33,920

so uh this is actually probably the most

355

00:13:36,790 --> 00:13:35,680

productive time of your career where

356

00:13:39,430 --> 00:13:36,800

you're able to sit there

357

00:13:41,750 --> 00:13:39,440

really do your research right he got his

358

00:13:44,470 --> 00:13:41,760

phd at georgia state

359

00:13:46,150 --> 00:13:44,480

and his undergraduate work at the uh did

360

00:13:49,030 --> 00:13:46,160

his undergraduate work at the college of

361

00:13:49,990 --> 00:13:49,040

new jersey and he and i were chatting

362

00:13:53,030 --> 00:13:50,000

earlier today

363

00:13:56,150 --> 00:13:53,040

uh he does uh rock climbing

364

00:13:59,670 --> 00:13:56,160

and he also does swing dancing which

365

00:14:01,670 --> 00:13:59,680

puts him he and i have something really

366

00:14:03,110 --> 00:14:01,680

interesting in common because i did

367

00:14:05,110 --> 00:14:03,120

ballroom dancing at the university of

368

00:14:08,870 --> 00:14:05,120

california berkeley

369

00:14:11,990 --> 00:14:08,880

and both of us met our wives

370

00:14:13,189 --> 00:14:12,000

at the dance club all right so

371

00:14:15,430 --> 00:14:13,199

you never know where you're going to run

372

00:14:17,590 --> 00:14:15,440

into an astrophysicist but

373

00:14:20,230 --> 00:14:17,600

it turns out that maybe a dance club is

374

00:14:22,629 --> 00:14:20,240

a place to find one

375

00:14:24,629 --> 00:14:22,639

i can't guarantee you care your mileage

376

00:14:26,069 --> 00:14:24,639

may vary on things like that

377

00:14:28,629 --> 00:14:26,079

ladies and gentlemen dr mitchell

378

00:14:30,230 --> 00:14:28,639

rawalski

379

00:14:32,150 --> 00:14:30,240

all right thank you so much frank for

380

00:14:32,949 --> 00:14:32,160

that kind introduction and also to

381

00:14:35,269 --> 00:14:32,959

everyone for

382

00:14:36,470 --> 00:14:35,279

joining us online this evening uh

383

00:14:38,949 --> 00:14:36,480

hopefully after the

384

00:14:40,470 --> 00:14:38,959

sad news of arecibo i can uplift your

385

00:14:43,990 --> 00:14:40,480

mood a little bit by giving you

386

00:14:46,870 --> 00:14:44,000

a tour of supermassive black hole winds

387

00:14:49,590 --> 00:14:46,880

and show how they basically shape nearly

388

00:14:51,509 --> 00:14:49,600

every scale of the observable universe

389

00:14:53,670 --> 00:14:51,519

so in the background here we have this

390

00:14:55,829 --> 00:14:53,680

stunning multi-wavelength image that

391

00:14:57,030 --> 00:14:55,839

shows different facets of these black

392

00:14:58,629 --> 00:14:57,040

hole winds

393

00:15:00,870 --> 00:14:58,639

and it's my hope that by the end of the

394

00:15:02,150 --> 00:15:00,880

talk you'll have a strong conceptual

395

00:15:04,389 --> 00:15:02,160

picture of how

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00:15:06,389 --> 00:15:04,399

supermassive black holes interact with

397

00:15:07,509 --> 00:15:06,399

the galaxies that they live in

398

00:15:09,430 --> 00:15:07,519

so i'll start with a little bit of

399

00:15:11,910 --> 00:15:09,440

background on supermassive black holes

400

00:15:12,389 --> 00:15:11,920

and galaxies and how we study them and

401  
00:15:14,230 --> 00:15:12,399  
then

402  
00:15:15,990 --> 00:15:14,240  
go ahead and examine the role of

403  
00:15:17,750 --> 00:15:16,000  
supermassive black holes in shaping

404  
00:15:19,030 --> 00:15:17,760  
their galaxy starting from the very

405  
00:15:27,590 --> 00:15:19,040  
smallest scales

406  
00:15:28,949 --> 00:15:27,600  
moving out to the very largest scales

407  
00:15:30,790 --> 00:15:28,959  
so starting at the beginning when we

408  
00:15:34,150 --> 00:15:30,800  
look out into the universe we see

409  
00:15:35,509 --> 00:15:34,160  
galaxies almost everywhere and so this

410  
00:15:37,430 --> 00:15:35,519  
image that you're seeing is the

411  
00:15:39,829 --> 00:15:37,440  
hubble ultra deep field which is one of

412  
00:15:41,110 --> 00:15:39,839  
the deepest views of the universe ever

413  
00:15:43,509 --> 00:15:41,120

captured by humanity

414

00:15:45,749 --> 00:15:43,519

it required the hubble space telescope

415

00:15:47,749 --> 00:15:45,759

to cumulatively look at the same patch

416

00:15:51,030 --> 00:15:47,759

of the sky for nearly 11

417

00:15:51,910 --> 00:15:51,040

days which is about 400 orbits around

418

00:15:53,829 --> 00:15:51,920

the earth

419

00:15:55,509 --> 00:15:53,839

and so in this image we see galaxies

420

00:15:57,430 --> 00:15:55,519

that are relatively close to us

421

00:15:59,110 --> 00:15:57,440

and we see galaxies at the very furthest

422

00:16:00,949 --> 00:15:59,120

extents of the universe

423

00:16:03,430 --> 00:16:00,959

and so in astronomy we're in this very

424

00:16:06,389 --> 00:16:03,440

unique position because we can actually

425

00:16:08,310 --> 00:16:06,399

look back in time and see these galaxies

426  
00:16:08,870 --> 00:16:08,320  
as they're growing the further away we

427  
00:16:10,790 --> 00:16:08,880  
look

428  
00:16:12,230 --> 00:16:10,800  
it takes the light longer and longer to

429  
00:16:13,110 --> 00:16:12,240  
reach us and so we're seeing these

430  
00:16:16,470 --> 00:16:13,120  
galaxies

431  
00:16:18,949 --> 00:16:16,480  
as they were a very long time ago

432  
00:16:20,790 --> 00:16:18,959  
now despite all these different types of

433  
00:16:22,470 --> 00:16:20,800  
galaxies you see in this image

434  
00:16:25,030 --> 00:16:22,480  
they're all made of the same fundamental

435  
00:16:28,310 --> 00:16:25,040  
building blocks and that's stars

436  
00:16:31,430 --> 00:16:28,320  
gas dust and more exotic components like

437  
00:16:33,829 --> 00:16:31,440  
black holes and dark matter

438  
00:16:35,910 --> 00:16:33,839

so we have all these components we can

439

00:16:37,749 --> 00:16:35,920

still classify galaxies into different

440

00:16:39,910 --> 00:16:37,759

types depending on how much they have of

441

00:16:42,069 --> 00:16:39,920

these components on their appearance

442

00:16:43,829 --> 00:16:42,079

such as spiral galaxies elliptical

443

00:16:45,590 --> 00:16:43,839

galaxies irregulars we'll talk about

444

00:16:47,509 --> 00:16:45,600

that a little bit more in a minute

445

00:16:50,069 --> 00:16:47,519

but despite the apparent kind of

446

00:16:52,550 --> 00:16:50,079

emptiness in between these galaxies

447

00:16:55,030 --> 00:16:52,560

there really is gas everywhere we have

448

00:16:55,910 --> 00:16:55,040

gas within galaxies we have gas around

449

00:16:57,829 --> 00:16:55,920

galaxies

450

00:17:00,069 --> 00:16:57,839

and we have gas in the spaces between

451

00:17:01,990 --> 00:17:00,079

galaxies and so depending

452

00:17:03,590 --> 00:17:02,000

on the temperature and the density of

453

00:17:05,270 --> 00:17:03,600

that gas we might need to use different

454

00:17:06,789 --> 00:17:05,280

types of telescopes to see it

455

00:17:08,789 --> 00:17:06,799

but i want you to keep in mind this

456

00:17:09,909 --> 00:17:08,799

picture where galaxies are just filled

457

00:17:12,390 --> 00:17:09,919

and surrounded

458

00:17:14,470 --> 00:17:12,400

with different types of gas and in order

459

00:17:15,909 --> 00:17:14,480

to study the connection between galaxies

460

00:17:16,789 --> 00:17:15,919

and their gas and their supermassive

461

00:17:17,909 --> 00:17:16,799

black holes

462

00:17:19,990 --> 00:17:17,919

we're going to use two of the most

463

00:17:20,789 --> 00:17:20,000

fundamental tools of astronomy which are

464

00:17:23,990 --> 00:17:20,799

imaging

465

00:17:25,350 --> 00:17:24,000

and spectroscopy so those of you who

466

00:17:27,110 --> 00:17:25,360

frequent these public lectures have

467

00:17:28,870 --> 00:17:27,120

probably seen many representations of

468

00:17:30,630 --> 00:17:28,880

the electromagnetic spectrum

469

00:17:32,549 --> 00:17:30,640

and i really like this image because

470

00:17:35,990 --> 00:17:32,559

we're looking at the same galaxy

471

00:17:37,029 --> 00:17:36,000

m51 the famous whirlpool galaxy at each

472

00:17:39,750 --> 00:17:37,039

different section

473

00:17:41,510 --> 00:17:39,760

of the electromagnetic spectrum so light

474

00:17:43,990 --> 00:17:41,520

comes out in the form of photons we can

475

00:17:46,549 --> 00:17:44,000

specify its energy by a wavelength

476  
00:17:48,549 --> 00:17:46,559  
so starting up here at the top left

477  
00:17:49,669 --> 00:17:48,559  
we're looking at the longest wavelengths

478  
00:17:51,909 --> 00:17:49,679  
the radio

479  
00:17:53,350 --> 00:17:51,919  
moving to the right to the shortest most

480  
00:17:56,630 --> 00:17:53,360  
energetic wave ranks

481  
00:17:58,549 --> 00:17:56,640  
at gamma rays so as we sweep through the

482  
00:17:59,510 --> 00:17:58,559  
electromagnetic spectrum with different

483  
00:18:01,510 --> 00:17:59,520  
telescopes

484  
00:18:03,029 --> 00:18:01,520  
we're probing different portions of the

485  
00:18:04,630 --> 00:18:03,039  
galaxy and its gas

486  
00:18:06,630 --> 00:18:04,640  
so starting here on the left in the

487  
00:18:09,990 --> 00:18:06,640  
radio we're probing the very

488  
00:18:12,150 --> 00:18:10,000

cold cool dense gas that is basically

489

00:18:14,549 --> 00:18:12,160

the reservoir from which stars can

490

00:18:16,310 --> 00:18:14,559

form and as we'll see the radio will

491

00:18:18,549 --> 00:18:16,320

actually also be useful for probing some

492

00:18:20,230 --> 00:18:18,559

of that most energetic phenomenon within

493

00:18:22,070 --> 00:18:20,240

galaxies

494

00:18:23,990 --> 00:18:22,080

as we move over to the right we're

495

00:18:25,510 --> 00:18:24,000

looking at the infrared and here we're

496

00:18:28,230 --> 00:18:25,520

starting to probe the warm

497

00:18:29,669 --> 00:18:28,240

dust and the cool stars within galaxies

498

00:18:32,470 --> 00:18:29,679

and this has been most famously done

499

00:18:34,230 --> 00:18:32,480

using the spitzer space telescope

500

00:18:35,990 --> 00:18:34,240

as we continue on into the center we're

501  
00:18:37,669 --> 00:18:36,000  
looking at optical or visible

502  
00:18:39,430 --> 00:18:37,679  
wavelengths and these are the colors

503  
00:18:40,549 --> 00:18:39,440  
that our eyes are sensitive to that

504  
00:18:43,430 --> 00:18:40,559  
we're able to

505  
00:18:45,990 --> 00:18:43,440  
detect and perceive and this is probing

506  
00:18:48,150 --> 00:18:46,000  
gas that's maybe a few thousand degrees

507  
00:18:49,669 --> 00:18:48,160  
looking at some of the hotter stars and

508  
00:18:51,430 --> 00:18:49,679  
by far one of the most famous and

509  
00:18:53,270 --> 00:18:51,440  
successful observatories for doing this

510  
00:18:54,549 --> 00:18:53,280  
type of astronomy is the hubble space

511  
00:18:56,390 --> 00:18:54,559  
telescope

512  
00:18:58,390 --> 00:18:56,400  
as we continue on moving to higher

513  
00:19:00,870 --> 00:18:58,400

energies looking at the ultraviolet and

514

00:19:02,630 --> 00:19:00,880

x-rays we're looking at gas that's tens

515

00:19:04,789 --> 00:19:02,640

of thousands or even hundreds of

516

00:19:06,310 --> 00:19:04,799

thousands or millions of degrees

517

00:19:08,150 --> 00:19:06,320

and so this is often done in the

518

00:19:09,990 --> 00:19:08,160

ultraviolet and the x-rays

519

00:19:12,549 --> 00:19:10,000

using instruments such as the chandra

520

00:19:15,029 --> 00:19:12,559

x-ray observatory

521

00:19:15,590 --> 00:19:15,039

so this is the first tool in our kit in

522

00:19:17,909 --> 00:19:15,600

order to

523

00:19:19,830 --> 00:19:17,919

understand the universe we have an image

524

00:19:21,750 --> 00:19:19,840

we open our telescope up we allow the

525

00:19:23,590 --> 00:19:21,760

light to hit a detector and it shows us

526

00:19:25,350 --> 00:19:23,600

the distribution of gas and dust and

527

00:19:26,549 --> 00:19:25,360

stars within galaxies

528

00:19:28,710 --> 00:19:26,559

the second tool of course is

529

00:19:30,549 --> 00:19:28,720

spectroscopy and so

530

00:19:32,390 --> 00:19:30,559

a famous saying is that if a picture is

531

00:19:34,150 --> 00:19:32,400

worth a thousand words then a spectrum

532

00:19:36,390 --> 00:19:34,160

is worth a thousand pictures

533

00:19:37,669 --> 00:19:36,400

meaning that we can get an enormous

534

00:19:39,510 --> 00:19:37,679

amount of information

535

00:19:41,350 --> 00:19:39,520

from the spectrum of an object we can

536

00:19:43,430 --> 00:19:41,360

learn a lot more than we could

537

00:19:45,270 --> 00:19:43,440

by simply having an image so

538

00:19:47,190 --> 00:19:45,280

spectroscopy is the process of taking

539

00:19:48,230 --> 00:19:47,200

light from a galaxy or a portion of a

540

00:19:50,390 --> 00:19:48,240

galaxy

541

00:19:52,070 --> 00:19:50,400

we pass it through a spectrograph on

542

00:19:54,549 --> 00:19:52,080

board of our telescope in this case

543

00:19:56,070 --> 00:19:54,559

i have a little hubble space telescope

544

00:19:57,990 --> 00:19:56,080

and then we spread it out

545

00:19:59,830 --> 00:19:58,000

as a function of wavelength or color so

546

00:20:01,430 --> 00:19:59,840

either by passing it through a prism or

547

00:20:03,110 --> 00:20:01,440

bouncing it off a grating

548

00:20:06,230 --> 00:20:03,120

we spread that light out and then we

549

00:20:07,830 --> 00:20:06,240

record the intensity of the light as a

550

00:20:09,750 --> 00:20:07,840

function of wavelength

551  
00:20:11,510 --> 00:20:09,760  
so we do this we can take this spectrum

552  
00:20:12,950 --> 00:20:11,520  
on the right and we can measure the

553  
00:20:15,190 --> 00:20:12,960  
intensity of each color

554  
00:20:16,070 --> 00:20:15,200  
and we get a more familiar spectrum and

555  
00:20:17,350 --> 00:20:16,080  
this has a couple

556  
00:20:19,350 --> 00:20:17,360  
key features that are really going to

557  
00:20:21,350 --> 00:20:19,360  
help us in our studies

558  
00:20:23,110 --> 00:20:21,360  
first we just have the underlying level

559  
00:20:25,029 --> 00:20:23,120  
of light at all colors this is the

560  
00:20:25,669 --> 00:20:25,039  
continuum emission this is primarily

561  
00:20:28,630 --> 00:20:25,679  
coming

562  
00:20:30,070 --> 00:20:28,640  
from hot stars and dust within a galaxy

563  
00:20:31,350 --> 00:20:30,080

and then on top of that we can have

564

00:20:34,070 --> 00:20:31,360

these very

565

00:20:34,549 --> 00:20:34,080

straight narrow features called emission

566

00:20:36,630 --> 00:20:34,559

lines

567

00:20:38,070 --> 00:20:36,640

so we have this excess of light at a

568

00:20:39,909 --> 00:20:38,080

very specific color

569

00:20:42,070 --> 00:20:39,919

and this is coming from the gas this is

570

00:20:43,909 --> 00:20:42,080

coming from individual atoms which have

571

00:20:45,990 --> 00:20:43,919

electrons going around them

572

00:20:47,830 --> 00:20:46,000

and as those electrons are excited and

573

00:20:48,710 --> 00:20:47,840

de-excited they jump between very

574

00:20:50,789 --> 00:20:48,720

discrete

575

00:20:52,950 --> 00:20:50,799

very well-known energy levels and so you

576

00:20:56,390 --> 00:20:52,960

get a very specific color a very

577

00:20:58,950 --> 00:20:56,400

specific wavelength of that photon

578

00:21:00,390 --> 00:20:58,960

the converse of this is absorption lines

579

00:21:01,510 --> 00:21:00,400

we're basically absorbing a very

580

00:21:03,190 --> 00:21:01,520

specific color

581

00:21:04,950 --> 00:21:03,200

and all these features are very

582

00:21:06,390 --> 00:21:04,960

important because they tell us a lot of

583

00:21:08,549 --> 00:21:06,400

information about the gas

584

00:21:10,549 --> 00:21:08,559

most specifically they tell us about the

585

00:21:12,630 --> 00:21:10,559

velocity of this material

586

00:21:14,310 --> 00:21:12,640

so the locations of these emission lines

587

00:21:15,270 --> 00:21:14,320

are very well known for measuring them

588

00:21:17,510 --> 00:21:15,280

in the lab

589

00:21:19,270 --> 00:21:17,520

but due to the doppler effect if objects

590

00:21:22,070 --> 00:21:19,280

are moving either toward

591

00:21:23,510 --> 00:21:22,080

or away from us the lines will be blue

592

00:21:25,510 --> 00:21:23,520

shifted or red shifted

593

00:21:26,549 --> 00:21:25,520

moving to shorter or longer wavelengths

594

00:21:28,390 --> 00:21:26,559

within the spectrum

595

00:21:30,630 --> 00:21:28,400

so basically we can use the positions of

596

00:21:32,549 --> 00:21:30,640

these lines to measure the velocities of

597

00:21:34,230 --> 00:21:32,559

things in space

598

00:21:36,630 --> 00:21:34,240

so we're going to go ahead and apply

599

00:21:37,669 --> 00:21:36,640

these tools to the different portions of

600

00:21:39,590 --> 00:21:37,679

galaxies

601  
00:21:40,789 --> 00:21:39,600  
and so here we have on the left an

602  
00:21:43,029 --> 00:21:40,799  
example of a more of an

603  
00:21:45,669 --> 00:21:43,039  
edge on spiral galaxy and on the right

604  
00:21:47,669 --> 00:21:45,679  
we have more of a face on spiral galaxy

605  
00:21:49,510 --> 00:21:47,679  
and down in the very center we have the

606  
00:21:50,390 --> 00:21:49,520  
nucleus this is the very center of the

607  
00:21:52,549 --> 00:21:50,400  
galaxy

608  
00:21:53,750 --> 00:21:52,559  
and around that we have the bulge and

609  
00:21:56,390 --> 00:21:53,760  
this is basically kind of a

610  
00:21:59,029 --> 00:21:56,400  
semi-spherical distribution of stars

611  
00:22:00,950 --> 00:21:59,039  
that are all orbiting around the nucleus

612  
00:22:01,669 --> 00:22:00,960  
typically made up of older stars as

613  
00:22:04,870 --> 00:22:01,679

compared to

614

00:22:06,549 --> 00:22:04,880

hotter younger stars in this case we

615

00:22:08,710 --> 00:22:06,559

also have spiral arms

616

00:22:09,590 --> 00:22:08,720

and these are regions that are slightly

617

00:22:11,830 --> 00:22:09,600

more dense

618

00:22:12,630 --> 00:22:11,840

in hot stars and gas and dust and they

619

00:22:14,230 --> 00:22:12,640

make these very

620

00:22:15,669 --> 00:22:14,240

intricate shapes that we can see in

621

00:22:16,870 --> 00:22:15,679

these spiral galaxies

622

00:22:18,470 --> 00:22:16,880

now of course these are not the only

623

00:22:20,149 --> 00:22:18,480

type there's also ellipticals which you

624

00:22:20,950 --> 00:22:20,159

can almost think of as just one giant

625

00:22:23,590 --> 00:22:20,960

bulge with

626

00:22:25,590 --> 00:22:23,600

much less gas and much less dust as well

627

00:22:27,430 --> 00:22:25,600

as irregulars and types like that

628

00:22:28,710 --> 00:22:27,440

but a profound discovery to come out of

629

00:22:30,789 --> 00:22:28,720

the last few decades

630

00:22:31,990 --> 00:22:30,799

is that almost all massive galaxies at

631

00:22:34,909 --> 00:22:32,000

their centers have

632

00:22:36,710 --> 00:22:34,919

a super massive black hole abbreviated

633

00:22:38,710 --> 00:22:36,720

smbh

634

00:22:40,070 --> 00:22:38,720

now in this case i've drawn these dots

635

00:22:41,669 --> 00:22:40,080

and they're actually much too

636

00:22:43,350 --> 00:22:41,679

large for the scale of the galaxy

637

00:22:45,270 --> 00:22:43,360

supermassive black holes are actually

638

00:22:47,510 --> 00:22:45,280

very small at the distances of these

639

00:22:48,070 --> 00:22:47,520

galaxies and so a logical question might

640

00:22:49,590 --> 00:22:48,080

be well

641

00:22:52,149 --> 00:22:49,600

how do we actually know that they're

642

00:22:53,990 --> 00:22:52,159

even there and so the best evidence of

643

00:22:56,630 --> 00:22:54,000

this comes from looking at the center

644

00:22:58,390 --> 00:22:56,640

of our very own galaxy so here we're

645

00:23:00,549 --> 00:22:58,400

looking at the center of our galaxy and

646

00:23:01,590 --> 00:23:00,559

we're tracing the motions of stars

647

00:23:04,470 --> 00:23:01,600

around the center

648

00:23:06,230 --> 00:23:04,480

over the course of about 20 years and by

649

00:23:06,870 --> 00:23:06,240

doing this we can see that all of these

650

00:23:09,190 --> 00:23:06,880

stars are

651  
00:23:11,110 --> 00:23:09,200  
orbiting around the central point marked

652  
00:23:13,430 --> 00:23:11,120  
by a star

653  
00:23:14,789 --> 00:23:13,440  
however when we point the majority of

654  
00:23:17,590 --> 00:23:14,799  
our telescopes there

655  
00:23:19,430 --> 00:23:17,600  
we don't really see anything so based on

656  
00:23:21,190 --> 00:23:19,440  
the physics that we know we can see how

657  
00:23:22,390 --> 00:23:21,200  
fast these stars are moving how tight

658  
00:23:24,549 --> 00:23:22,400  
their orbits are

659  
00:23:25,909 --> 00:23:24,559  
and we can calculate how much mass has

660  
00:23:28,149 --> 00:23:25,919  
to be there to actually

661  
00:23:29,590 --> 00:23:28,159  
hold those stars in those tight orbits

662  
00:23:32,070 --> 00:23:29,600  
and it turns out to be

663  
00:23:33,110 --> 00:23:32,080

millions of times the mass of our own

664

00:23:35,350 --> 00:23:33,120

sun

665

00:23:36,230 --> 00:23:35,360

so we have something that is very very

666

00:23:38,149 --> 00:23:36,240

massive

667

00:23:40,310 --> 00:23:38,159

not really emitting any light and it's

668

00:23:41,750 --> 00:23:40,320

very very dense because these stars are

669

00:23:43,669 --> 00:23:41,760

orbiting very close

670

00:23:46,230 --> 00:23:43,679

and so the only objects that we know of

671

00:23:48,870 --> 00:23:46,240

that can be that dense and that massive

672

00:23:50,070 --> 00:23:48,880

are supermassive black holes these are

673

00:23:52,390 --> 00:23:50,080

objects that range from

674

00:23:54,149 --> 00:23:52,400

millions to even billions of times the

675

00:23:56,630 --> 00:23:54,159

mass of our own sun

676  
00:23:58,310 --> 00:23:56,640  
and it's all crushed down into a volume

677  
00:24:00,630 --> 00:23:58,320  
about the size of the solar system

678  
00:24:02,870 --> 00:24:00,640  
depending on its mass

679  
00:24:04,070 --> 00:24:02,880  
so this is incredible result that was

680  
00:24:06,630 --> 00:24:04,080  
finally really

681  
00:24:07,510 --> 00:24:06,640  
fully solidified and recognized just

682  
00:24:10,310 --> 00:24:07,520  
this year with the

683  
00:24:11,830 --> 00:24:10,320  
2020 nobel prize in physics which was

684  
00:24:13,990 --> 00:24:11,840  
recently awarded to these three

685  
00:24:16,230 --> 00:24:14,000  
individuals for their pioneering work

686  
00:24:18,630 --> 00:24:16,240  
to prove beyond a reasonable doubt that

687  
00:24:20,230 --> 00:24:18,640  
supermassive black holes exist

688  
00:24:22,230 --> 00:24:20,240

and are at the centers of the majority

689

00:24:23,510 --> 00:24:22,240

of galaxies

690

00:24:25,430 --> 00:24:23,520

so for the most part when we look at

691

00:24:27,590 --> 00:24:25,440

galaxies we have this kind of invisible

692

00:24:28,549 --> 00:24:27,600

or indirect view of supermassive black

693

00:24:30,230 --> 00:24:28,559

holes

694

00:24:31,990 --> 00:24:30,240

but that changes when we look at

695

00:24:35,110 --> 00:24:32,000

supermassive black holes that are

696

00:24:38,310 --> 00:24:35,120

actively growing or eating material

697

00:24:40,390 --> 00:24:38,320

and these are active galaxies or active

698

00:24:42,230 --> 00:24:40,400

galactic nuclei

699

00:24:44,950 --> 00:24:42,240

so here on the right we have an artist

700

00:24:46,070 --> 00:24:44,960

conception of basically a supermassive

701  
00:24:48,149 --> 00:24:46,080  
black hole

702  
00:24:49,590 --> 00:24:48,159  
material in the galaxy works its way

703  
00:24:51,750 --> 00:24:49,600  
down into the center

704  
00:24:53,669 --> 00:24:51,760  
and as it starts to fall into the strong

705  
00:24:54,310 --> 00:24:53,679  
gravitational potential of the black

706  
00:24:56,630 --> 00:24:54,320  
hole

707  
00:24:58,230 --> 00:24:56,640  
it will become compressed will form an

708  
00:24:59,029 --> 00:24:58,240  
accretion disk of material that's

709  
00:25:01,269 --> 00:24:59,039  
accreting

710  
00:25:03,909 --> 00:25:01,279  
to the supermassive black hole it will

711  
00:25:04,950 --> 00:25:03,919  
heat up and it'll emit an immense amount

712  
00:25:07,110 --> 00:25:04,960  
of radiation

713  
00:25:07,990 --> 00:25:07,120

all across the electromagnetic spectrum

714

00:25:09,750 --> 00:25:08,000

from the radio

715

00:25:13,350 --> 00:25:09,760

to the infrared the visible the

716

00:25:15,669 --> 00:25:13,360

ultraviolet the x-rays and onward

717

00:25:16,789 --> 00:25:15,679

so the way that we kind of characterize

718

00:25:18,549 --> 00:25:16,799

this process

719

00:25:20,710 --> 00:25:18,559

that we talk about different active

720

00:25:22,390 --> 00:25:20,720

galaxies that we compare their power

721

00:25:24,230 --> 00:25:22,400

is through what's called the luminosity

722

00:25:27,029 --> 00:25:24,240

and so this is the total amount of

723

00:25:28,149 --> 00:25:27,039

energy that's being emitted at one time

724

00:25:30,789 --> 00:25:28,159

due to this process

725

00:25:32,230 --> 00:25:30,799

of material falling onto the black hole

726

00:25:35,029 --> 00:25:32,240

and

727

00:25:37,110 --> 00:25:35,039

this ranges from about a million times

728

00:25:39,190 --> 00:25:37,120

the luminosity of our own sun

729

00:25:41,430 --> 00:25:39,200

which is about the same as one really

730

00:25:43,350 --> 00:25:41,440

bright massive o star the largest stars

731

00:25:45,990 --> 00:25:43,360

we see in most galaxies

732

00:25:48,549 --> 00:25:46,000

all the way up to hundreds of trillions

733

00:25:51,590 --> 00:25:48,559

of times the luminosity of our own sun

734

00:25:53,830 --> 00:25:51,600

so in the most powerful active galaxies

735

00:25:55,430 --> 00:25:53,840

the amount of radiation coming from very

736

00:25:57,350 --> 00:25:55,440

near the supermassive black hole can

737

00:26:00,230 --> 00:25:57,360

actually outshine the light of

738

00:26:01,830 --> 00:26:00,240

all the stars in the entire galaxy so

739

00:26:03,510 --> 00:26:01,840

this is going to be a very fundamental

740

00:26:04,870 --> 00:26:03,520

parameter that we're going to use

741

00:26:07,190 --> 00:26:04,880

when we're talking about these active

742

00:26:08,070 --> 00:26:07,200

galaxies the luminosity the total amount

743

00:26:10,470 --> 00:26:08,080

of energy

744

00:26:13,190 --> 00:26:10,480

that's being radiated by this process of

745

00:26:15,510 --> 00:26:13,200

material falling onto the black hole

746

00:26:17,029 --> 00:26:15,520

now all this energy has to go somewhere

747

00:26:19,190 --> 00:26:17,039

it doesn't just disappear

748

00:26:21,510 --> 00:26:19,200

and so this is where our supermassive

749

00:26:23,430 --> 00:26:21,520

black hole winds come into play

750

00:26:24,710 --> 00:26:23,440

this energy in the form of light in the

751  
00:26:27,830 --> 00:26:24,720  
form of photons

752  
00:26:29,750 --> 00:26:27,840  
is traveling out back into the galaxy

753  
00:26:31,909 --> 00:26:29,760  
it can interact with the gas it can

754  
00:26:33,190 --> 00:26:31,919  
excite it it can ionize it cause it to

755  
00:26:35,269 --> 00:26:33,200  
glow like a neon

756  
00:26:36,950 --> 00:26:35,279  
sign and more than that we have such

757  
00:26:38,070 --> 00:26:36,960  
intense radiation that it's actually

758  
00:26:40,470 --> 00:26:38,080  
exerting a force

759  
00:26:41,830 --> 00:26:40,480  
actually inverted in it's actually

760  
00:26:44,870 --> 00:26:41,840  
imparting momentum

761  
00:26:47,029 --> 00:26:44,880  
onto this gas and pushing it potentially

762  
00:26:48,789 --> 00:26:47,039  
away from the supermassive black hole

763  
00:26:50,870 --> 00:26:48,799

and so this is what we call mass

764

00:26:53,990 --> 00:26:50,880

outflows or winds i'm going to use those

765

00:26:56,470 --> 00:26:54,000

two phrases somewhat interchangeably

766

00:26:57,269 --> 00:26:56,480

now these appear in kind of two main

767

00:26:59,510 --> 00:26:57,279

forms

768

00:27:01,590 --> 00:26:59,520

the first is these mass outflows where

769

00:27:03,510 --> 00:27:01,600

we have radiation that's traveling out

770

00:27:05,110 --> 00:27:03,520

into the galaxy it's finding gas

771

00:27:06,390 --> 00:27:05,120

somewhere exciting it

772

00:27:08,870 --> 00:27:06,400

and then moving it away from the

773

00:27:09,590 --> 00:27:08,880

supermassive black hole and then we also

774

00:27:11,990 --> 00:27:09,600

have

775

00:27:13,269 --> 00:27:12,000

radio jets and so this is a somewhat

776

00:27:15,190 --> 00:27:13,279

different phenomenon

777

00:27:17,029 --> 00:27:15,200

and so here what we have is very close

778

00:27:18,630 --> 00:27:17,039

to the supermassive black hole

779

00:27:20,630 --> 00:27:18,640

there's an immense amount of energy we

780

00:27:21,909 --> 00:27:20,640

have twisting magnetic fields all sorts

781

00:27:23,990 --> 00:27:21,919

of intense physics

782

00:27:25,190 --> 00:27:24,000

and this is basically able to launch a

783

00:27:27,669 --> 00:27:25,200

potential beam of

784

00:27:30,149 --> 00:27:27,679

particles away from the supermassive

785

00:27:31,750 --> 00:27:30,159

black hole at very very high velocities

786

00:27:33,590 --> 00:27:31,760

and so these are much narrower they're

787

00:27:35,669 --> 00:27:33,600

much more directed but they

788

00:27:37,350 --> 00:27:35,679

may have much less material so these are

789

00:27:39,350 --> 00:27:37,360

kind of the two main types of

790

00:27:41,110 --> 00:27:39,360

outflows that i'm going to be focusing

791

00:27:42,950 --> 00:27:41,120

on tonight

792

00:27:44,389 --> 00:27:42,960

so with this we have nearly everything

793

00:27:46,310 --> 00:27:44,399

that we need to investigate the

794

00:27:48,070 --> 00:27:46,320

supermassive black hole winds

795

00:27:49,909 --> 00:27:48,080

let's go ahead and just paint the big

796

00:27:51,990 --> 00:27:49,919

picture so here

797

00:27:53,750 --> 00:27:52,000

on the right we have an artist kind of

798

00:27:56,870 --> 00:27:53,760

version of a typical

799

00:27:58,549 --> 00:27:56,880

say milky way like galaxy and

800

00:28:00,789 --> 00:27:58,559

we like to measure distances in

801  
00:28:01,350 --> 00:28:00,799  
astronomy using parsecs where a parsec

802  
00:28:03,190 --> 00:28:01,360  
is about

803  
00:28:05,350 --> 00:28:03,200  
three light years so anytime you hear a

804  
00:28:08,070 --> 00:28:05,360  
parsec you can think three light years

805  
00:28:09,350 --> 00:28:08,080  
and just like grams and kilograms we use

806  
00:28:11,909 --> 00:28:09,360  
suffixes to give

807  
00:28:14,310 --> 00:28:11,919  
larger distances so a thousand parsecs

808  
00:28:16,149 --> 00:28:14,320  
is a kiloparsec

809  
00:28:18,149 --> 00:28:16,159  
so everything i've shown you so far the

810  
00:28:20,389 --> 00:28:18,159  
supermassive black hole it's accretion

811  
00:28:22,789 --> 00:28:20,399  
disk this whole energetic environment

812  
00:28:23,909 --> 00:28:22,799  
is all contained down at the very center

813  
00:28:25,510 --> 00:28:23,919

of the galaxy

814

00:28:28,230 --> 00:28:25,520

if you look at this image on the right

815

00:28:30,710 --> 00:28:28,240

i'll highlight the center most portion

816

00:28:32,230 --> 00:28:30,720

so all of this is contained on scales of

817

00:28:34,149 --> 00:28:32,240

less than a parsec

818

00:28:36,310 --> 00:28:34,159

nearly less than a light year so i've

819

00:28:38,310 --> 00:28:36,320

highlighted that with a single red pixel

820

00:28:40,230 --> 00:28:38,320

on this image and that's actually too

821

00:28:42,389 --> 00:28:40,240

large it should be even smaller than

822

00:28:45,990 --> 00:28:42,399

that and so that's just to highlight

823

00:28:47,669 --> 00:28:46,000

just how tiny these very massive dense

824

00:28:49,110 --> 00:28:47,679

objects are on the scales of their

825

00:28:50,870 --> 00:28:49,120

galaxies

826

00:28:52,230 --> 00:28:50,880

the next scale as we move out is the

827

00:28:54,230 --> 00:28:52,240

galaxy bulge

828

00:28:56,149 --> 00:28:54,240

and so this is on scales of about one

829

00:28:58,870 --> 00:28:56,159

thousand to three thousand parsecs or

830

00:29:01,190 --> 00:28:58,880

one to three kiloparsecs

831

00:29:03,029 --> 00:29:01,200

continuing on past that we have the

832

00:29:04,710 --> 00:29:03,039

stellar disk of the galaxy

833

00:29:06,950 --> 00:29:04,720

and so this is basically the extent of

834

00:29:08,710 --> 00:29:06,960

the galaxy as traced by the stars

835

00:29:10,549 --> 00:29:08,720

and this varies depending on the type of

836

00:29:12,630 --> 00:29:10,559

galaxy but it might be something on the

837

00:29:13,510 --> 00:29:12,640

order of say 30 kiloparsecs which is

838

00:29:16,470 --> 00:29:13,520

about a hundred

839

00:29:18,389 --> 00:29:16,480

thousand light years and finally in the

840

00:29:20,149 --> 00:29:18,399

region outside of the galaxy where we

841

00:29:21,590 --> 00:29:20,159

might not see many stars but we still

842

00:29:24,070 --> 00:29:21,600

have lots of gas

843

00:29:25,430 --> 00:29:24,080

this is the circum galactic medium where

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00:29:28,149 --> 00:29:25,440

the circum galactic region

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00:29:28,789 --> 00:29:28,159

around these galaxies so these are kind

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00:29:30,389 --> 00:29:28,799

of the four

847

00:29:32,230 --> 00:29:30,399

fundamental scales that we're going to

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00:29:34,549 --> 00:29:32,240

focus on when looking at these

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00:29:36,070 --> 00:29:34,559

supermassive black hole winds

850

00:29:37,750 --> 00:29:36,080

so now you have all the background you

851  
00:29:39,669 --> 00:29:37,760  
need we can dive in

852  
00:29:42,070 --> 00:29:39,679  
and we can tackle this from two points

853  
00:29:44,870 --> 00:29:42,080  
of view we can look at these wins from

854  
00:29:49,350 --> 00:29:44,880  
simulations or we can look at them from

855  
00:29:53,350 --> 00:29:51,430  
so simulations and observations both

856  
00:29:55,110 --> 00:29:53,360  
tell us something somewhat different

857  
00:29:57,430 --> 00:29:55,120  
but they're complementary by learning

858  
00:29:58,549 --> 00:29:57,440  
from one we can use that information to

859  
00:30:00,230 --> 00:29:58,559  
inform the other

860  
00:30:02,149 --> 00:30:00,240  
and then rotate through to try to

861  
00:30:03,510 --> 00:30:02,159  
understand the physics at work

862  
00:30:05,750 --> 00:30:03,520  
so we're going to go ahead and start

863  
00:30:06,470 --> 00:30:05,760

with simulations so let's take the

864

00:30:09,029 --> 00:30:06,480

universe

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00:30:10,470 --> 00:30:09,039

let's put it in a box let's apply all

866

00:30:13,029 --> 00:30:10,480

the physics that we know

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00:30:14,549 --> 00:30:13,039

and let's see how it evolves over time

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00:30:16,630 --> 00:30:14,559

so in this simulation

869

00:30:18,789 --> 00:30:16,640

we're looking at the temperature of gas

870

00:30:19,269 --> 00:30:18,799

in the universe from the very earliest

871

00:30:21,909 --> 00:30:19,279

times

872

00:30:23,510 --> 00:30:21,919

moving towards the present day and so

873

00:30:26,549 --> 00:30:23,520

what you see here is this

874

00:30:28,789 --> 00:30:26,559

long filamentary like structure

875

00:30:30,789 --> 00:30:28,799

all these different pieces of gas and we

876

00:30:33,430 --> 00:30:30,799

have the very cool gas in blue

877

00:30:34,549 --> 00:30:33,440

warmer gas and green and the hottest gas

878

00:30:36,230 --> 00:30:34,559

in red

879

00:30:38,549 --> 00:30:36,240

so these big structures here these are

880

00:30:39,990 --> 00:30:38,559

whole groups of galaxies clusters of

881

00:30:41,350 --> 00:30:40,000

galaxies we're looking at the very

882

00:30:43,190 --> 00:30:41,360

biggest scales

883

00:30:44,950 --> 00:30:43,200

and what you start to see are these

884

00:30:46,710 --> 00:30:44,960

pockets of red basically

885

00:30:48,870 --> 00:30:46,720

exploding out of these groups of

886

00:30:51,510 --> 00:30:48,880

galaxies and so these are

887

00:30:52,230 --> 00:30:51,520

our agn these are super massive black

888

00:30:55,350 --> 00:30:52,240

holes

889

00:30:57,430 --> 00:30:55,360

that are eating material and pushing an

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00:30:59,990 --> 00:30:57,440

immense amount of energy and radiation

891

00:31:02,310 --> 00:31:00,000

out beyond the galaxy and heating up and

892

00:31:04,630 --> 00:31:02,320

moving this gas

893

00:31:06,149 --> 00:31:04,640

so this is these simulations are

894

00:31:07,509 --> 00:31:06,159

absolutely incredible this one

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00:31:10,870 --> 00:31:07,519

in particular is from the illustrious

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00:31:12,870 --> 00:31:10,880

group and so these allow us to control

897

00:31:15,110 --> 00:31:12,880

the different aspects of what's going on

898

00:31:17,190 --> 00:31:15,120

and understand the physics in detail

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00:31:18,870 --> 00:31:17,200

despite how incredible these simulations

900

00:31:20,470 --> 00:31:18,880

are we still just don't have the

901  
00:31:22,950 --> 00:31:20,480  
computational power

902  
00:31:24,230 --> 00:31:22,960  
to simulate all the different scales

903  
00:31:26,149 --> 00:31:24,240  
that we just talked about

904  
00:31:27,830 --> 00:31:26,159  
so if you want to simulate material

905  
00:31:29,909 --> 00:31:27,840  
falling into a black hole

906  
00:31:31,509 --> 00:31:29,919  
simulate individual galaxies and then

907  
00:31:33,269 --> 00:31:31,519  
simulate the entire universe we just

908  
00:31:33,909 --> 00:31:33,279  
don't have the computational power to do

909  
00:31:35,350 --> 00:31:33,919  
that

910  
00:31:37,669 --> 00:31:35,360  
and so what we do here is we use

911  
00:31:39,029 --> 00:31:37,679  
different numerical recipes

912  
00:31:41,269 --> 00:31:39,039  
basically we say okay on the smallest

913  
00:31:43,269 --> 00:31:41,279

scales let's just say that we know how

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00:31:44,149 --> 00:31:43,279

much energy is being injected by these

915

00:31:45,750 --> 00:31:44,159

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00:31:48,149 --> 00:31:45,760

and then we'll follow it and watch what

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00:31:49,590 --> 00:31:48,159

happens and so

918

00:31:51,830 --> 00:31:49,600

one of the things that's very critical

919

00:31:54,149 --> 00:31:51,840

here is the result that you get

920

00:31:55,590 --> 00:31:54,159

depends very strongly on how you tweak

921

00:31:56,870 --> 00:31:55,600

those parameters

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00:31:59,190 --> 00:31:56,880

so here towards the end of the

923

00:32:00,549 --> 00:31:59,200

simulation you can see that we have all

924

00:32:02,710 --> 00:32:00,559

this hot gas

925

00:32:03,750 --> 00:32:02,720

that's permeating all throughout between

926

00:32:06,149 --> 00:32:03,760

these different

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00:32:07,669 --> 00:32:06,159

galaxies and clusters of galaxies but

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00:32:09,029 --> 00:32:07,679

now if we go ahead and update the

929

00:32:11,669 --> 00:32:09,039

physics a little bit

930

00:32:14,389 --> 00:32:11,679

and we look at what happens if we try to

931

00:32:16,389 --> 00:32:14,399

understand the efficiency of how this

932

00:32:18,070 --> 00:32:16,399

radiation is produced and how it moves

933

00:32:19,750 --> 00:32:18,080

out and couples with gas

934

00:32:22,070 --> 00:32:19,760

if we go ahead and fine-tune those

935

00:32:23,909 --> 00:32:22,080

parameters based on what we know now

936

00:32:25,590 --> 00:32:23,919

we see that in just a few years these

937

00:32:26,389 --> 00:32:25,600

simulations give somewhat different

938

00:32:29,269 --> 00:32:26,399

answers

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00:32:30,950 --> 00:32:29,279

so we still have this hot excited gas

940

00:32:32,789 --> 00:32:30,960

but now on the right we can see that

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00:32:34,630 --> 00:32:32,799

it's very hot but more condensed it's

942

00:32:36,870 --> 00:32:34,640

more it's held more closely to these

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00:32:38,870 --> 00:32:36,880

clusters these groups of galaxies

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00:32:40,149 --> 00:32:38,880

and so the overall picture is somewhat

945

00:32:42,549 --> 00:32:40,159

different

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00:32:44,230 --> 00:32:42,559

and so the way that we can improve these

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00:32:46,070 --> 00:32:44,240

simulations and inform them

948

00:32:47,909 --> 00:32:46,080

is by going ahead and actually doing

949

00:32:50,630 --> 00:32:47,919

detailed observations

950

00:32:51,269 --> 00:32:50,640

of the supermassive black hole winds to

951  
00:32:54,710 --> 00:32:51,279  
understand

952  
00:32:56,070 --> 00:32:54,720  
just how they work

953  
00:32:57,990 --> 00:32:56,080  
and then we can iterate between

954  
00:33:00,230 --> 00:32:58,000  
simulations and observations to learn

955  
00:33:02,389 --> 00:33:00,240  
all the physics involved

956  
00:33:04,549 --> 00:33:02,399  
so now we're ready to transition to

957  
00:33:05,430 --> 00:33:04,559  
observations starting here with our big

958  
00:33:07,430 --> 00:33:05,440  
picture

959  
00:33:09,590 --> 00:33:07,440  
we're going to go ahead at the closest

960  
00:33:11,190 --> 00:33:09,600  
in scales right near the supermassive

961  
00:33:13,750 --> 00:33:11,200  
black hole in the accretion disk

962  
00:33:15,190 --> 00:33:13,760  
on scales of less than a light year and

963  
00:33:16,870 --> 00:33:15,200

so because we're so close to the

964

00:33:19,669 --> 00:33:16,880

supermassive black hole we're generally

965

00:33:21,909 --> 00:33:19,679

looking at the highest energy radiation

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00:33:23,590 --> 00:33:21,919

which is most often observed in the

967

00:33:28,630 --> 00:33:23,600

x-rays

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00:33:30,870 --> 00:33:28,640

showed some sort of signature in the

969

00:33:33,269 --> 00:33:30,880

spectra there was something going on

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00:33:33,990 --> 00:33:33,279

but x-ray spectroscopy is really

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00:33:36,549 --> 00:33:34,000

difficult

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00:33:37,750 --> 00:33:36,559

x-rays are very high energy if you try

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00:33:39,269 --> 00:33:37,760

to bounce them off a

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00:33:40,950 --> 00:33:39,279

normal type of mirror that you're used

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00:33:41,909 --> 00:33:40,960

to looking at they'll just go right

976  
00:33:43,430 --> 00:33:41,919  
through it

977  
00:33:45,830 --> 00:33:43,440  
and so you have to build a very

978  
00:33:47,669 --> 00:33:45,840  
specialized telescope with a series of

979  
00:33:49,830 --> 00:33:47,679  
ring-like mirrors that will basically

980  
00:33:51,669 --> 00:33:49,840  
bounce that photon and get it down

981  
00:33:53,110 --> 00:33:51,679  
onto the detector where you want to

982  
00:33:55,830 --> 00:33:53,120  
analyze it

983  
00:33:57,750 --> 00:33:55,840  
and so this was really revolutionized by

984  
00:33:59,830 --> 00:33:57,760  
newer space missions such as the chandra

985  
00:34:01,750 --> 00:33:59,840  
x-ray observatory suzaku

986  
00:34:03,990 --> 00:34:01,760  
and the x-ray multi-mirror mission

987  
00:34:06,149 --> 00:34:04,000  
telescope shown here on the right

988  
00:34:07,909 --> 00:34:06,159

and so after looking at more and more of

989

00:34:10,710 --> 00:34:07,919

these active galaxies

990

00:34:13,270 --> 00:34:10,720

and looking at um a large archive of

991

00:34:14,710 --> 00:34:13,280

data really just in the last 10 years

992

00:34:16,470 --> 00:34:14,720

is when we've been able to establish

993

00:34:18,550 --> 00:34:16,480

that there is indeed these

994

00:34:20,710 --> 00:34:18,560

winds very close to the supermassive

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00:34:21,909 --> 00:34:20,720

black hole and as the title alludes to

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00:34:25,510 --> 00:34:21,919

these are called

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00:34:27,669 --> 00:34:25,520

ultra fast outflows or ufos yes that is

998

00:34:29,669 --> 00:34:27,679

actually the acronym

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00:34:31,190 --> 00:34:29,679

so you can see here on the right is one

1000

00:34:33,349 --> 00:34:31,200

of these x-ray spectra

1001  
00:34:35,190 --> 00:34:33,359  
so we're looking on the horizontal axis

1002  
00:34:37,270 --> 00:34:35,200  
at the energy of the light

1003  
00:34:38,310 --> 00:34:37,280  
and on the vertical axis the brightness

1004  
00:34:39,990 --> 00:34:38,320  
of that light

1005  
00:34:41,829 --> 00:34:40,000  
and we can see here that we have this

1006  
00:34:42,869 --> 00:34:41,839  
emission line feature which is coming

1007  
00:34:44,710 --> 00:34:42,879  
from very close

1008  
00:34:46,790 --> 00:34:44,720  
to the supermassive black hole turns out

1009  
00:34:48,389 --> 00:34:46,800  
to be from iron k alpha very highly

1010  
00:34:50,310 --> 00:34:48,399  
ionized iron

1011  
00:34:52,950 --> 00:34:50,320  
and then we see here this absorption

1012  
00:34:54,149 --> 00:34:52,960  
feature and so with some very detailed

1013  
00:34:56,069 --> 00:34:54,159

and careful modeling

1014

00:34:58,150 --> 00:34:56,079

we can figure out that this absorption

1015

00:34:59,829 --> 00:34:58,160

line is coming from the same excited

1016

00:35:02,550 --> 00:34:59,839

state as this emission line

1017

00:35:05,190 --> 00:35:02,560

and this corresponds to a very very

1018

00:35:06,870 --> 00:35:05,200

large shift a very large doppler shift

1019

00:35:08,790 --> 00:35:06,880

so as we talked about we can use those

1020

00:35:12,230 --> 00:35:08,800

shifts to determine the velocity

1021

00:35:14,630 --> 00:35:12,240

and in this case it works out to be 15

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00:35:16,470 --> 00:35:14,640

of the speed of light which is

1023

00:35:18,310 --> 00:35:16,480

absolutely insane

1024

00:35:20,550 --> 00:35:18,320

so by looking at more of these objects

1025

00:35:23,510 --> 00:35:20,560

we've found that ultra fast outflows

1026  
00:35:24,390 --> 00:35:23,520  
can move at up to 30 percent the speed

1027  
00:35:27,430 --> 00:35:24,400  
of light

1028  
00:35:27,990 --> 00:35:27,440  
that's something like 60 000 miles per

1029  
00:35:31,030 --> 00:35:28,000  
second

1030  
00:35:32,390 --> 00:35:31,040  
that is one serious speeding ticket so

1031  
00:35:33,990 --> 00:35:32,400  
what we're seeing is we have

1032  
00:35:35,349 --> 00:35:34,000  
this artist conception on the right with

1033  
00:35:36,310 --> 00:35:35,359  
the supermassive black hole in the

1034  
00:35:38,069 --> 00:35:36,320  
accretion disk

1035  
00:35:39,670 --> 00:35:38,079  
and this material is being launched from

1036  
00:35:41,430 --> 00:35:39,680  
very close to the accretion disk and

1037  
00:35:42,550 --> 00:35:41,440  
then it's absorbing some of the light as

1038  
00:35:43,589 --> 00:35:42,560

it's moving

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00:35:46,150 --> 00:35:43,599

and that's what we see as that

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00:35:48,710 --> 00:35:46,160

absorption feature in the spectrum

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00:35:49,990 --> 00:35:48,720

another interesting feature of ufos is

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00:35:52,069 --> 00:35:50,000

that when we look at them

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00:35:53,349 --> 00:35:52,079

and we revisit the same galaxies we see

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00:35:55,430 --> 00:35:53,359

that they change

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00:35:56,630 --> 00:35:55,440

on time scales of months to years or

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00:35:58,150 --> 00:35:56,640

even faster

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00:36:00,470 --> 00:35:58,160

and so this is telling us that these are

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00:36:02,550 --> 00:36:00,480

not nice steady

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00:36:04,310 --> 00:36:02,560

constant types of phenomena but they're

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00:36:06,630 --> 00:36:04,320

very chaotic and tumultuous they're

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00:36:07,910 --> 00:36:06,640

constantly changing

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00:36:09,510 --> 00:36:07,920

and this could be really important

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00:36:10,550 --> 00:36:09,520

because we have gas that's moving very

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00:36:12,550 --> 00:36:10,560

very fast

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00:36:13,750 --> 00:36:12,560

and so it may actually be able to sweep

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00:36:16,069 --> 00:36:13,760

material out

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00:36:18,390 --> 00:36:16,079

and regulate how fast the black hole is

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00:36:20,710 --> 00:36:18,400

growing as the black hole is eating

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00:36:22,790 --> 00:36:20,720

it's actually generating the energy that

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00:36:24,550 --> 00:36:22,800

is pushing away its fuel it's pushing

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00:36:26,710 --> 00:36:24,560

away its supply of gas that it would

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00:36:29,109 --> 00:36:26,720

otherwise try to accrete

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00:36:30,710 --> 00:36:29,119

and so the question is well is there any

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00:36:31,910 --> 00:36:30,720

evidence that this is what's really

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00:36:34,710 --> 00:36:31,920

happening

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00:36:36,950 --> 00:36:34,720

and indeed there is so looking here on

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00:36:38,950 --> 00:36:36,960

the vertical axis we have the mass

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00:36:41,190 --> 00:36:38,960

of these supermassive black holes in

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00:36:44,470 --> 00:36:41,200

terms of mass of the sun moving from

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00:36:47,190 --> 00:36:44,480

a million to 10 billion and then we have

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00:36:49,109 --> 00:36:47,200

the mass of the bulge that large

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00:36:50,790 --> 00:36:49,119

semi-spherical distribution of stars

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00:36:53,270 --> 00:36:50,800

around the center of the galaxy

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00:36:54,790 --> 00:36:53,280

and the velocity of those stars and what

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00:36:56,230 --> 00:36:54,800

we can see is that these two things are

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00:36:57,430 --> 00:36:56,240

correlated meaning if we have a

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00:36:59,190 --> 00:36:57,440

measurement of one

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00:37:01,190 --> 00:36:59,200

then we have a reasonable estimate of

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00:37:02,310 --> 00:37:01,200

the other and now you might say well

1080

00:37:04,470 --> 00:37:02,320

that makes sense right

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00:37:05,910 --> 00:37:04,480

larger galaxy larger bulge larger

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00:37:07,750 --> 00:37:05,920

supermassive black hole

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00:37:09,750 --> 00:37:07,760

but there's no necessity for it to be

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00:37:11,349 --> 00:37:09,760

that way and what i mean is

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00:37:13,030 --> 00:37:11,359

that even though supermassive black

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00:37:14,790 --> 00:37:13,040

holes are so dense and have such a

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00:37:16,630 --> 00:37:14,800

strong gravitational pull

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00:37:17,990 --> 00:37:16,640

it's only when you get really close to

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00:37:18,790 --> 00:37:18,000

them that their gravity starts to

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00:37:20,710 --> 00:37:18,800

dominate

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00:37:22,390 --> 00:37:20,720

so within a galaxy the supermassive

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00:37:24,310 --> 00:37:22,400

black hole is only dominating the

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00:37:26,310 --> 00:37:24,320

gravity in a region maybe a few light

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00:37:27,990 --> 00:37:26,320

years or smaller around it

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00:37:30,069 --> 00:37:28,000

whereas the bulge of these galaxies is

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00:37:31,910 --> 00:37:30,079

on scales of thousands of light years

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00:37:33,109 --> 00:37:31,920

and so they're just not gravitationally

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00:37:34,630 --> 00:37:33,119

aware of each other

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00:37:36,470 --> 00:37:34,640

it's kind of like holding a magnet at a

1100

00:37:38,470 --> 00:37:36,480

paper clip a mile away the effect is

1101

00:37:40,230 --> 00:37:38,480

just too weak to really matter

1102

00:37:41,990 --> 00:37:40,240

and so this is one piece of evidence

1103

00:37:44,150 --> 00:37:42,000

that maybe these two

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00:37:45,670 --> 00:37:44,160

individual entities basically evolve

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00:37:47,270 --> 00:37:45,680

together maybe the black hole in the

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00:37:49,190 --> 00:37:47,280

bulge grew up together

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00:37:50,710 --> 00:37:49,200

exchanging energy and information

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00:37:52,710 --> 00:37:50,720

through these winds

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00:37:53,990 --> 00:37:52,720

and through this exchange of material

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00:37:56,310 --> 00:37:54,000

that's being pushed out

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00:37:58,069 --> 00:37:56,320

to larger radii that's not the only

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00:37:59,349 --> 00:37:58,079

interpretation of this result there are

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00:38:00,950 --> 00:37:59,359

other ways that you might be able to

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00:38:09,030 --> 00:38:00,960

generate this but this is one piece of

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00:38:12,630 --> 00:38:10,710

so the second stop on our tour of

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00:38:15,270 --> 00:38:12,640

supermassive black hole winds

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00:38:17,109 --> 00:38:15,280

is now looking within the galaxy bulge

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00:38:18,870 --> 00:38:17,119

so now we're looking on scales of a few

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00:38:21,510 --> 00:38:18,880

thousand light years

1120

00:38:22,630 --> 00:38:21,520

and so early studies in this uh regime

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00:38:24,710 --> 00:38:22,640

kind of showed that there were

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00:38:25,910 --> 00:38:24,720

non-rotational motions so it was clear

1123

00:38:28,230 --> 00:38:25,920

that gas was doing

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00:38:30,069 --> 00:38:28,240

something that wasn't just nice and

1125

00:38:31,910 --> 00:38:30,079

simple galaxy rotation

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00:38:33,829 --> 00:38:31,920

but it was really revolutionized with

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00:38:35,670 --> 00:38:33,839

data from the hubble space telescope

1128

00:38:36,710 --> 00:38:35,680

because as frank mentioned we get above

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00:38:39,510 --> 00:38:36,720

the atmosphere

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00:38:41,109 --> 00:38:39,520

we can see extremely small details and

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00:38:42,390 --> 00:38:41,119

the critical piece here is that this is

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00:38:44,150 --> 00:38:42,400

the first scale

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00:38:46,390 --> 00:38:44,160

as we move away from the black hole that

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00:38:47,910 --> 00:38:46,400

we can actually spatially resolve

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00:38:49,990 --> 00:38:47,920

meaning when we look at stars they're

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00:38:51,190 --> 00:38:50,000

infinitesimal small points of light

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00:38:53,190 --> 00:38:51,200

when you look at the moon and planets

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00:38:53,829 --> 00:38:53,200

they have a defined physical size on the

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00:38:55,829 --> 00:38:53,839

sky

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00:38:57,910 --> 00:38:55,839

and so we can actually resolve the

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00:38:59,829 --> 00:38:57,920

bulges of galaxies

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00:39:02,150 --> 00:38:59,839

so we're going to go ahead and start add

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00:39:05,270 --> 00:39:02,160

a galaxy and zoom in on its bulge

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00:39:07,190 --> 00:39:05,280

here's an example of ngc 4151

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00:39:09,349 --> 00:39:07,200

it's one of the most nearby and well

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00:39:10,870 --> 00:39:09,359

studied active galaxies because it is so

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00:39:12,950 --> 00:39:10,880

nearby and very bright

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00:39:15,589 --> 00:39:12,960

here we can see it has these extended

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00:39:17,990 --> 00:39:15,599

spiral arm structures it has this

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00:39:19,829 --> 00:39:18,000

ring of hot young stars that are forming

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00:39:21,910 --> 00:39:19,839

that are surrounding this yellowish

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00:39:23,670 --> 00:39:21,920

older bulge of stars

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00:39:25,670 --> 00:39:23,680

now this is an incredible ground-based

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00:39:27,190 --> 00:39:25,680

image but as frank mentioned again we're

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00:39:28,550 --> 00:39:27,200

just still limited by the earth's

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00:39:30,790 --> 00:39:28,560

atmosphere sometimes

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00:39:32,950 --> 00:39:30,800

so if we go ahead and zoom in with the

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00:39:36,310 --> 00:39:32,960

power of the hubble space telescope

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00:39:38,790 --> 00:39:36,320

we get a much clearer picture

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00:39:41,430 --> 00:39:38,800

now we can see individual clumps of

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00:39:44,150 --> 00:39:41,440

stars that are forming within the galaxy

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00:39:46,069 --> 00:39:44,160

we can see these dark spiral dust lanes

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00:39:48,230 --> 00:39:46,079

working their way into the center

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00:39:49,349 --> 00:39:48,240

around the bulge and we can start to see

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00:39:52,150 --> 00:39:49,359

some hint

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00:39:54,150 --> 00:39:52,160

of this bright active nucleus now like

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00:39:55,990 --> 00:39:54,160

any good criminal investigation show all

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00:39:57,109 --> 00:39:56,000

you have to do is hit your magic enhance

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00:39:58,310 --> 00:39:57,119

button again

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00:40:00,470 --> 00:39:58,320

okay of course it's not quite that

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00:40:03,270 --> 00:40:00,480

simple but if we zoom in once again

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00:40:04,150 --> 00:40:03,280

we get this incredible image of this

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00:40:06,950 --> 00:40:04,160

bulge scale

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00:40:08,790 --> 00:40:06,960

outflow produced by judy schmidt and so

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00:40:10,309 --> 00:40:08,800

down in the very center here we have

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00:40:12,630 --> 00:40:10,319

this supermassive black hole and

1177

00:40:14,870 --> 00:40:12,640

accretion disk our source of energy

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00:40:15,990 --> 00:40:14,880

and that radiation is traveling out into

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00:40:17,990 --> 00:40:16,000

the galaxy

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00:40:19,750 --> 00:40:18,000

it's exciting this gas it's making it

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00:40:22,390 --> 00:40:19,760

glow like a neon sign

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00:40:22,870 --> 00:40:22,400

and so we can see very clearly here that

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00:40:25,030 --> 00:40:22,880

there's an

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00:40:26,710 --> 00:40:25,040

impact on the galaxy but what is this

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00:40:28,390 --> 00:40:26,720

gas really doing how do we know where

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00:40:29,270 --> 00:40:28,400

it's going how do we know what its fate

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00:40:30,710 --> 00:40:29,280

is

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00:40:32,710 --> 00:40:30,720

and so of course the second piece to

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00:40:34,710 --> 00:40:32,720

that is by using spectroscopy

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00:40:36,470 --> 00:40:34,720

so if we isolate a portion of it using

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00:40:39,349 --> 00:40:36,480

the hubble space telescope looking at

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00:40:40,790 --> 00:40:39,359

just a specific portion of the galaxy

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00:40:42,550 --> 00:40:40,800

as we showed in some of our earlier

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00:40:43,990 --> 00:40:42,560

example spectra well if the gas was just

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00:40:45,589 --> 00:40:44,000

sitting there let's say we were looking

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00:40:46,150 --> 00:40:45,599

at two emission lines we might just

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00:40:48,870 --> 00:40:46,160

expect

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00:40:50,950 --> 00:40:48,880

nice straight lines galaxy is generally

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00:40:51,990 --> 00:40:50,960

rotating and so one side is moving

1200

00:40:53,910 --> 00:40:52,000

towards us another side

1201  
00:40:55,829 --> 00:40:53,920  
is moving away from us and so we'd

1202  
00:40:58,309 --> 00:40:55,839  
expect some sort of redshift and blue

1203  
00:41:00,630 --> 00:40:58,319  
shift on either side of the galaxy

1204  
00:41:01,349 --> 00:41:00,640  
when we look at the actual data for this

1205  
00:41:03,349 --> 00:41:01,359  
target

1206  
00:41:05,349 --> 00:41:03,359  
we see indeed some of the gas is

1207  
00:41:07,349 --> 00:41:05,359  
rotating but there's also this gas

1208  
00:41:09,190 --> 00:41:07,359  
moving at much higher velocities at

1209  
00:41:11,270 --> 00:41:09,200  
higher blue shifts and redshifts

1210  
00:41:13,030 --> 00:41:11,280  
so while the galaxy might be rotating at

1211  
00:41:14,710 --> 00:41:13,040  
a few hundred kilometers a second this

1212  
00:41:16,630 --> 00:41:14,720  
gas is moving at maybe a thousand

1213  
00:41:18,950 --> 00:41:16,640

kilometers per second

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00:41:20,069 --> 00:41:18,960

so this is that clear signature that on

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00:41:21,829 --> 00:41:20,079

one side of galaxy

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00:41:24,630 --> 00:41:21,839

gas is moving towards you on the other

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00:41:27,270 --> 00:41:24,640

side gas is moving away from you

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00:41:27,670 --> 00:41:27,280

now this is an incredible result but

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00:41:29,670 --> 00:41:27,680

it's

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00:41:31,349 --> 00:41:29,680

kind of tough to picture the geometry

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00:41:32,950 --> 00:41:31,359

here what's really going on

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00:41:34,390 --> 00:41:32,960

so let's look at a model of this

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00:41:36,069 --> 00:41:34,400

starting down

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00:41:38,150 --> 00:41:36,079

right near the supermassive black hole

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00:41:40,309 --> 00:41:38,160

where all this radiation is coming out

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00:41:42,069 --> 00:41:40,319

and then let's zoom out onto scales of

1227

00:41:42,710 --> 00:41:42,079

the galaxy so we can see here we have

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00:41:45,270 --> 00:41:42,720

this blue

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00:41:46,309 --> 00:41:45,280

disk of the galaxy rotating around and

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00:41:48,790 --> 00:41:46,319

this radiation is

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00:41:50,950 --> 00:41:48,800

traveling out into the galaxy it's

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00:41:53,190 --> 00:41:50,960

exciting it's ionizing it and then it's

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00:41:54,710 --> 00:41:53,200

pushing it away from the supermassive

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00:41:56,309 --> 00:41:54,720

black hole

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00:41:57,829 --> 00:41:56,319

so this is an area of research that i've

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00:41:59,430 --> 00:41:57,839

been very interested in

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00:42:01,750 --> 00:41:59,440

and we've learned a number of things for

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00:42:02,550 --> 00:42:01,760

these types of supermassive black hole

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00:42:04,390 --> 00:42:02,560

winds

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00:42:05,589 --> 00:42:04,400

so the first is that the gas can

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00:42:07,030 --> 00:42:05,599

probably be launched

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00:42:08,790 --> 00:42:07,040

at a bunch of different distances

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00:42:10,630 --> 00:42:08,800

meaning it's not all coming from right

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00:42:12,950 --> 00:42:10,640

near the supermassive black hole

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00:42:14,550 --> 00:42:12,960

but as this radiation travels out it

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00:42:16,630 --> 00:42:14,560

sees the gas there it excites it and

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00:42:18,790 --> 00:42:16,640

then it starts pushing it

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00:42:20,710 --> 00:42:18,800

now while these are not moving nearly as

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00:42:22,309 --> 00:42:20,720

fast as the ultra fast outflows they're

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00:42:24,150 --> 00:42:22,319

moving at less than one percent of the

1251  
00:42:25,750 --> 00:42:24,160  
speed of light as compared to nearly 30

1252  
00:42:27,430 --> 00:42:25,760  
percent of the speed of light

1253  
00:42:29,750 --> 00:42:27,440  
because they're spatially resolved we

1254  
00:42:30,710 --> 00:42:29,760  
can work out how much material is there

1255  
00:42:32,790 --> 00:42:30,720  
in detail

1256  
00:42:34,150 --> 00:42:32,800  
and it turns out that these outflows can

1257  
00:42:36,390 --> 00:42:34,160  
carry several

1258  
00:42:38,390 --> 00:42:36,400  
million or even tens of millions of

1259  
00:42:41,030 --> 00:42:38,400  
solar masses worth of gas

1260  
00:42:42,230 --> 00:42:41,040  
it's a lot of material and so the impact

1261  
00:42:44,390 --> 00:42:42,240  
here is that this

1262  
00:42:45,990 --> 00:42:44,400  
may reduce star formation in the inner

1263  
00:42:47,670 --> 00:42:46,000

regions of the galaxy because we're

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00:42:49,670 --> 00:42:47,680

evacuating the gas

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00:42:50,870 --> 00:42:49,680

which would otherwise be available to

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00:42:52,790 --> 00:42:50,880

form stars

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00:42:55,430 --> 00:42:52,800

in addition we're also heating that gas

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00:42:57,510 --> 00:42:55,440

up gas needs to start to cool down to

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00:42:58,790 --> 00:42:57,520

collapse under gravity in order to form

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00:43:00,630 --> 00:42:58,800

stars

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00:43:02,150 --> 00:43:00,640

now this is kind of a general picture

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00:43:03,670 --> 00:43:02,160

and it's not the case for every single

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00:43:05,910 --> 00:43:03,680

galaxy in some cases

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00:43:07,990 --> 00:43:05,920

gas is actually driven out impacts other

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00:43:10,069 --> 00:43:08,000

gas and then may trigger star formation

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00:43:11,750 --> 00:43:10,079

so it's not a one size fits all in terms

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00:43:12,710 --> 00:43:11,760

of what we see the impact of these

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00:43:14,309 --> 00:43:12,720

outflows being

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00:43:17,270 --> 00:43:14,319

but this is kind of a general picture

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00:43:21,109 --> 00:43:18,950

so with that we're ready to move to the

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00:43:23,190 --> 00:43:21,119

third out of four spatial scales of our

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00:43:24,710 --> 00:43:23,200

tour of supermassive black hole winds

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00:43:27,190 --> 00:43:24,720

and that is scales

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00:43:28,069 --> 00:43:27,200

of the galaxy stellar disk so these are

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00:43:31,270 --> 00:43:28,079

basically

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00:43:33,109 --> 00:43:31,280

on scales of the entire galaxy

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00:43:34,230 --> 00:43:33,119

now you might mention earlier might

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00:43:35,910 --> 00:43:34,240

remember from earlier that i mentioned

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00:43:37,349 --> 00:43:35,920

that the luminosity of these active

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00:43:39,430 --> 00:43:37,359

galaxies is a key

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00:43:41,910 --> 00:43:39,440

factor and so if we're looking for

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00:43:44,710 --> 00:43:41,920

outflows on the scales of galaxies

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00:43:46,470 --> 00:43:44,720

we generally need more luminous active

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00:43:48,710 --> 00:43:46,480

galaxies because we need more

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00:43:50,630 --> 00:43:48,720

energy to push gas at these large

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00:43:51,510 --> 00:43:50,640

distances and to push large amounts of

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00:43:53,990 --> 00:43:51,520

gas

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00:43:55,589 --> 00:43:54,000

and so this is more commonly observed

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00:43:57,030 --> 00:43:55,599

further back in the more distant

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00:43:58,950 --> 00:43:57,040

universe

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00:44:00,390 --> 00:43:58,960

and so studies of this type have been

1302

00:44:01,190 --> 00:44:00,400

done with a number of telescopes and

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00:44:04,950 --> 00:44:01,200

instruments

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00:44:06,950 --> 00:44:04,960

really revolutionized this is the

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00:44:09,030 --> 00:44:06,960

atacama large millimeter and sub

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00:44:10,470 --> 00:44:09,040

millimeter array or alma

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00:44:12,710 --> 00:44:10,480

and so that's shown on the right here

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00:44:15,030 --> 00:44:12,720

this is basically a series of radio

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00:44:16,870 --> 00:44:15,040

and millimeter dishes that are all

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00:44:18,150 --> 00:44:16,880

pointed at the same object

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00:44:19,990 --> 00:44:18,160

and we're basically taking the

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00:44:21,990 --> 00:44:20,000

information from each of them

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00:44:23,990 --> 00:44:22,000

and through a process of interferometry

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00:44:24,870 --> 00:44:24,000

or interference we're bringing that data

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00:44:27,589 --> 00:44:24,880

together

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00:44:28,710 --> 00:44:27,599

in order to get an image that is as good

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00:44:31,750 --> 00:44:28,720

as if we had one

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00:44:33,349 --> 00:44:31,760

ginormous dish as we saw earlier and so

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00:44:36,150 --> 00:44:33,359

in this case you can separate these

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00:44:38,390 --> 00:44:36,160

telescopes by up to 16 kilometers and so

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00:44:41,910 --> 00:44:38,400

we're getting an image as if we had one

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00:44:43,510 --> 00:44:41,920

massive telescope so let's go ahead and

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00:44:46,309 --> 00:44:43,520

look at one of these so

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00:44:48,069 --> 00:44:46,319

this is an example of a galaxy now it's

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00:44:50,150 --> 00:44:48,079

much more distant and so we don't get

1326  
00:44:51,030 --> 00:44:50,160  
that fine exquisite detail in the image

1327  
00:44:52,950 --> 00:44:51,040  
necessarily

1328  
00:44:55,109 --> 00:44:52,960  
but this is actually quite a large

1329  
00:44:56,230 --> 00:44:55,119  
galaxy we're looking at excited gas here

1330  
00:44:58,870 --> 00:44:56,240  
on the scales of

1331  
00:44:59,990 --> 00:44:58,880  
around 10 kiloparsecs or over 30 000

1332  
00:45:01,829 --> 00:45:00,000  
light years

1333  
00:45:03,670 --> 00:45:01,839  
and so what we see looking at these

1334  
00:45:05,430 --> 00:45:03,680  
galaxies that are further away

1335  
00:45:08,069 --> 00:45:05,440  
in this case it's looking back nearly 10

1336  
00:45:11,109 --> 00:45:08,079  
billion years to a red shift of two

1337  
00:45:12,710 --> 00:45:11,119  
is that it's not very simple to figure

1338  
00:45:14,230 --> 00:45:12,720

out what's going on it's not just the

1339

00:45:16,309 --> 00:45:14,240

supermassive black hole

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00:45:17,750 --> 00:45:16,319

that's necessarily driving these this

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00:45:19,829 --> 00:45:17,760

these winds

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00:45:21,829 --> 00:45:19,839

and what we found out is that stars

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00:45:23,990 --> 00:45:21,839

actually make a very large contribution

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00:45:25,190 --> 00:45:24,000

sometimes the dominant contribution in

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00:45:26,470 --> 00:45:25,200

these galaxies

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00:45:28,550 --> 00:45:26,480

and so what that's happening is

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00:45:29,349 --> 00:45:28,560

basically stars are either forming very

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00:45:30,950 --> 00:45:29,359

rapidly

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00:45:33,270 --> 00:45:30,960

and their immense radiation is

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00:45:35,910 --> 00:45:33,280

contributing to driving these winds

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00:45:37,990 --> 00:45:35,920

or as stars die through powerful super

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00:45:39,910 --> 00:45:38,000

anova events that frank showed earlier

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00:45:41,349 --> 00:45:39,920

they emit an immense amount of radiation

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00:45:44,230 --> 00:45:41,359

that can also go ahead

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00:45:46,230 --> 00:45:44,240

and excite and move this gas so stellar

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00:45:47,750 --> 00:45:46,240

outflows and stellar winds are worthy of

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00:45:48,550 --> 00:45:47,760

an entire another talk in and of

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00:45:50,230 --> 00:45:48,560

themselves

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00:45:52,150 --> 00:45:50,240

so this is just to point out that

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00:45:53,430 --> 00:45:52,160

sometimes it's more than one mechanism

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00:45:55,510 --> 00:45:53,440

at work

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00:45:57,750 --> 00:45:55,520

and this is a key place where we'll

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00:45:58,950 --> 00:45:57,760

learn a lot more with the james webb

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00:46:00,790 --> 00:45:58,960

space telescope

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00:46:03,190 --> 00:46:00,800

because we'll be able to probe these

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00:46:04,710 --> 00:46:03,200

galaxies on very small scales

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00:46:06,790 --> 00:46:04,720

we'll be able to look at them in great

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00:46:08,550 --> 00:46:06,800

detail with high sensitivity

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00:46:11,349 --> 00:46:08,560

in different portions of the spectrum

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00:46:12,950 --> 00:46:11,359

than we can necessarily look at now

1371

00:46:14,470 --> 00:46:12,960

and so when we look at this galaxy in

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00:46:16,069 --> 00:46:14,480

this image

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00:46:17,910 --> 00:46:16,079

we can go ahead and take a spectrum of

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00:46:19,990 --> 00:46:17,920

it and we have this first strong

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00:46:22,150 --> 00:46:20,000

emission line which is basically just

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00:46:23,510 --> 00:46:22,160

from the rotation of the galaxy

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00:46:25,589 --> 00:46:23,520

and then we can see that we actually

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00:46:26,150 --> 00:46:25,599

have a second emission line right next

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00:46:27,829 --> 00:46:26,160

to it

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00:46:29,670 --> 00:46:27,839

which is coming from the same excited

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00:46:31,829 --> 00:46:29,680

state and this is gas that's

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00:46:33,510 --> 00:46:31,839

moving at several hundred kilometers per

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00:46:35,270 --> 00:46:33,520

second and if we look at where this

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00:46:37,190 --> 00:46:35,280

material is relative to the center of

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00:46:39,349 --> 00:46:37,200

the galaxy we see this big

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00:46:40,230 --> 00:46:39,359

redshifted blob of material that's being

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00:46:41,670 --> 00:46:40,240

blown out

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00:46:45,990 --> 00:46:41,680

from the center of the galaxy or for

1389

00:46:50,390 --> 00:46:47,990

so finally we've arrived at the last

1390

00:46:51,510 --> 00:46:50,400

stop on our tour of supermassive black

1391

00:46:54,150 --> 00:46:51,520

hole winds and this

1392

00:46:55,270 --> 00:46:54,160

is the circum galactic medium where the

1393

00:46:57,990 --> 00:46:55,280

scales around

1394

00:46:59,510 --> 00:46:58,000

galaxies themselves so here as i

1395

00:47:01,910 --> 00:46:59,520

mentioned there are basically two

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00:47:03,670 --> 00:47:01,920

forms of these outflows there are these

1397

00:47:05,030 --> 00:47:03,680

wide angle mass outflows and then there

1398

00:47:07,510 --> 00:47:05,040

are these narrow radio

1399

00:47:09,349 --> 00:47:07,520

jets and so in this case what we're

1400

00:47:11,910 --> 00:47:09,359

often looking at on scales bigger than

1401

00:47:13,910 --> 00:47:11,920

galaxies are these radio jets

1402

00:47:15,589 --> 00:47:13,920

so in this case the particles within

1403

00:47:17,910 --> 00:47:15,599

these jets can be moving

1404

00:47:18,790 --> 00:47:17,920

very very fast typically maybe half the

1405

00:47:21,750 --> 00:47:18,800

speed of light

1406

00:47:23,270 --> 00:47:21,760

but sometimes in excess of 99 percent

1407

00:47:25,750 --> 00:47:23,280

the speed of light these are some of the

1408

00:47:29,510 --> 00:47:25,760

fastest phenomenon in the universe

1409

00:47:31,670 --> 00:47:29,520

so these are extremely fast moving jets

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00:47:33,349 --> 00:47:31,680

now again these are often found in more

1411

00:47:34,150 --> 00:47:33,359

luminous and more powerful and often

1412

00:47:36,470 --> 00:47:34,160

more massive

1413

00:47:38,549 --> 00:47:36,480

active galaxies and so here on the right

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00:47:41,349 --> 00:47:38,559

is an example of centaurus a

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00:47:43,030 --> 00:47:41,359

which is a more nearby active galaxy

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00:47:45,109 --> 00:47:43,040

here we can see it has some bright

1417

00:47:45,990 --> 00:47:45,119

emission from stars it has a dust lane

1418

00:47:48,390 --> 00:47:46,000

across it

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00:47:49,589 --> 00:47:48,400

and if we zoom in and add in millimeter

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00:47:52,069 --> 00:47:49,599

radio data

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00:47:52,710 --> 00:47:52,079

we can see these powerful jets so we can

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00:47:54,870 --> 00:47:52,720

see these two

1423

00:47:57,109 --> 00:47:54,880

jets here which are pushing their way

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00:47:58,870 --> 00:47:57,119

out beyond the galaxy to scales larger

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00:48:00,390 --> 00:47:58,880

than the galaxy

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00:48:02,710 --> 00:48:00,400

now in this case this is a more nearby

1427

00:48:05,270 --> 00:48:02,720

example let's go to more powerful

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00:48:07,910 --> 00:48:05,280

examples in the more distant universe

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00:48:09,670 --> 00:48:07,920

in particular the impact of these jets

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00:48:11,589 --> 00:48:09,680

is most clearly seen when we look at

1431

00:48:13,750 --> 00:48:11,599

clusters and groups of galaxies where

1432

00:48:15,829 --> 00:48:13,760

they have something to interact with

1433

00:48:17,589 --> 00:48:15,839

so we're going to start out with a

1434

00:48:18,390 --> 00:48:17,599

hubble space telescope image in the

1435

00:48:20,309 --> 00:48:18,400

optical

1436

00:48:21,910 --> 00:48:20,319

and here we can see we have a large

1437

00:48:24,069 --> 00:48:21,920

galaxy in the center

1438

00:48:24,950 --> 00:48:24,079

we have a bunch of smaller galaxies

1439

00:48:26,710 --> 00:48:24,960

around it

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00:48:28,150 --> 00:48:26,720

but for the most part it just looks like

1441

00:48:30,390 --> 00:48:28,160

an image of galaxies

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00:48:31,510 --> 00:48:30,400

now we go ahead and add in the radio

1443

00:48:34,710 --> 00:48:31,520

information

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00:48:35,910 --> 00:48:34,720

in red we can see this long extended

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00:48:37,670 --> 00:48:35,920

radio jet

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00:48:40,150 --> 00:48:37,680

starting near the center of the galaxy

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00:48:41,910 --> 00:48:40,160

and then pushing its way out past

1448

00:48:43,190 --> 00:48:41,920

well beyond some of the galaxies in this

1449

00:48:44,870 --> 00:48:43,200

cluster

1450

00:48:47,430 --> 00:48:44,880

now even with these two pieces of

1451  
00:48:48,230 --> 00:48:47,440  
information we still can't fully see the

1452  
00:48:50,790 --> 00:48:48,240  
impact

1453  
00:48:51,750 --> 00:48:50,800  
until we add in information from the

1454  
00:48:54,069 --> 00:48:51,760  
x-rays

1455  
00:48:56,150 --> 00:48:54,079  
and so we add that information in blue

1456  
00:48:57,990 --> 00:48:56,160  
and put these all together

1457  
00:49:00,630 --> 00:48:58,000  
and we end up with an image that looks

1458  
00:49:02,950 --> 00:49:00,640  
like this and so what we're seeing here

1459  
00:49:03,990 --> 00:49:02,960  
is this radio jet is moving out away

1460  
00:49:06,069 --> 00:49:04,000  
from the galaxy

1461  
00:49:07,990 --> 00:49:06,079  
and it's actually carving out these kind

1462  
00:49:11,910 --> 00:49:08,000  
of bubbles in this very hot

1463  
00:49:13,430 --> 00:49:11,920

tenuous x-ray gas so here is the

1464

00:49:15,349 --> 00:49:13,440

the overall view with these three

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00:49:16,309 --> 00:49:15,359

different energy and wavelength regimes

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00:49:19,430 --> 00:49:16,319

individually

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00:49:20,950 --> 00:49:19,440

and what we can learn from them combined

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00:49:23,430 --> 00:49:20,960

so the kind of the overall picture

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00:49:25,750 --> 00:49:23,440

that's emerging of these big massive

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00:49:27,990 --> 00:49:25,760

active galaxies with jets and clusters

1471

00:49:29,670 --> 00:49:28,000

is that the jet is acting to basically

1472

00:49:32,309 --> 00:49:29,680

prevent the gas from cooling

1473

00:49:33,990 --> 00:49:32,319

and falling into galaxies to form stars

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00:49:36,309 --> 00:49:34,000

so naturally the gas would want to cool

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00:49:37,910 --> 00:49:36,319

the gravity would pull it into galaxies

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00:49:39,750 --> 00:49:37,920

it should begin to form stars and so

1477

00:49:42,150 --> 00:49:39,760

this jet is basically keeping the gas

1478

00:49:43,990 --> 00:49:42,160

out there keeping it heating up and in

1479

00:49:46,950 --> 00:49:44,000

some cases it can reduce the rate at

1480

00:49:49,750 --> 00:49:46,960

which stars form by up to a factor of 10

1481

00:49:51,109 --> 00:49:49,760

so it's really quite powerful and this

1482

00:49:53,109 --> 00:49:51,119

is often denoted

1483

00:49:54,870 --> 00:49:53,119

maintenance mode outflows or maintenance

1484

00:49:56,630 --> 00:49:54,880

mode feedback basically as the

1485

00:49:58,309 --> 00:49:56,640

black hole is feeding and delivering

1486

00:50:01,190 --> 00:49:58,319

feedback to its environment

1487

00:50:02,710 --> 00:50:01,200

rather than actually pushing gas well

1488

00:50:03,030 --> 00:50:02,720

outside the galaxies we're basically

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00:50:05,109 --> 00:50:03,040

just

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00:50:06,790 --> 00:50:05,119

keeping it there and keeping it warm and

1491

00:50:10,309 --> 00:50:06,800

that way it can't collapse down

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00:50:12,710 --> 00:50:10,319

to form stars so with that

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00:50:14,470 --> 00:50:12,720

to kind of pull all of this together i

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00:50:15,589 --> 00:50:14,480

hope i've shown you that supermassive

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00:50:18,390 --> 00:50:15,599

black holes

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00:50:20,630 --> 00:50:18,400

and the agn that they power have the

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00:50:21,510 --> 00:50:20,640

potential to significantly impact their

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00:50:23,430 --> 00:50:21,520

galaxies

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00:50:25,109 --> 00:50:23,440

so this may be on scales of the

1500

00:50:26,950 --> 00:50:25,119

supermassive black hole

1501  
00:50:28,710 --> 00:50:26,960  
and the bulge of the galaxy with these

1502  
00:50:31,109 --> 00:50:28,720  
ultra fast outflows

1503  
00:50:32,790 --> 00:50:31,119  
it can be within the bulge and on the

1504  
00:50:35,349 --> 00:50:32,800  
scales of the galaxy disk

1505  
00:50:37,349 --> 00:50:35,359  
looking at the rates at which stars form

1506  
00:50:38,390 --> 00:50:37,359  
and it can be on even larger scales on

1507  
00:50:40,790 --> 00:50:38,400  
entire

1508  
00:50:43,030 --> 00:50:40,800  
groups and clusters of galaxies where

1509  
00:50:45,349 --> 00:50:43,040  
we're keeping lots of gas hot and moving

1510  
00:50:48,230 --> 00:50:45,359  
around so that way it can't form stars

1511  
00:50:50,309 --> 00:50:48,240  
and is impacting the overall formation

1512  
00:50:52,069 --> 00:50:50,319  
of galaxy structure

1513  
00:50:54,069 --> 00:50:52,079

so i'd like to end by coming back to

1514

00:50:57,349 --> 00:50:54,079

where we started with this image

1515

00:50:59,430 --> 00:50:57,359

of ngc 1275 and i hope now that this

1516

00:51:01,349 --> 00:50:59,440

gives you a little more awe inspire

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00:51:03,430 --> 00:51:01,359

as it does to me what we have down in

1518

00:51:04,069 --> 00:51:03,440

the center is this supermassive black

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00:51:06,069 --> 00:51:04,079

hole

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00:51:07,589 --> 00:51:06,079

that's eating material and putting an

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00:51:10,630 --> 00:51:07,599

immense amount of radiation

1522

00:51:12,549 --> 00:51:10,640

out into the galaxy and beyond in this

1523

00:51:13,829 --> 00:51:12,559

case it's exciting that gas

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00:51:15,670 --> 00:51:13,839

it's pushing it away from the

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00:51:16,470 --> 00:51:15,680

supermassive black hole out beyond the

1526  
00:51:18,069 --> 00:51:16,480  
galaxy

1527  
00:51:20,390 --> 00:51:18,079  
and we can see even here that we're

1528  
00:51:22,950 --> 00:51:20,400  
lighting up gas within the cluster in

1529  
00:51:24,950 --> 00:51:22,960  
these long red filaments and strings

1530  
00:51:26,950 --> 00:51:24,960  
which contain millions and tens of

1531  
00:51:27,750 --> 00:51:26,960  
millions or even more solar masses worth

1532  
00:51:30,230 --> 00:51:27,760  
of gas

1533  
00:51:32,710 --> 00:51:30,240  
it's keeping it hot and it's impacting

1534  
00:51:34,710 --> 00:51:32,720  
the entire environment around it

1535  
00:51:35,990 --> 00:51:34,720  
so if there's one real takeaway here is

1536  
00:51:38,790 --> 00:51:36,000  
that the supermassive black

1537  
00:51:39,190 --> 00:51:38,800  
hole resides at the very center on the

1538  
00:51:42,309 --> 00:51:39,200

very

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00:51:44,150 --> 00:51:42,319

smallest scales of galaxies and yet it

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00:51:47,030 --> 00:51:44,160

has the potential

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00:51:48,150 --> 00:51:47,040

to impact nearly every scale that we can

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00:51:50,710 --> 00:51:48,160

observe

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00:51:53,910 --> 00:51:50,720

and with that i would be happy to take

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00:51:56,950 --> 00:51:55,990

all right thank you mitchell that was

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00:51:59,270 --> 00:51:56,960

wonderful it was

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00:52:00,150 --> 00:51:59,280

great um especially the way that you

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00:52:02,549 --> 00:52:00,160

worked um

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00:52:03,349 --> 00:52:02,559

and got across the idea that it does

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00:52:06,549 --> 00:52:03,359

really go

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00:52:08,230 --> 00:52:06,559

from you know parsec scales and down to

1551  
00:52:09,910 --> 00:52:08,240  
the supermassive black hole is a parsec

1552  
00:52:12,870 --> 00:52:09,920  
scale object out

1553  
00:52:13,990 --> 00:52:12,880  
to millions of parsecs uh when you get

1554  
00:52:17,190 --> 00:52:14,000  
their giant radio

1555  
00:52:17,990 --> 00:52:17,200  
jets uh we had a lot of interesting

1556  
00:52:20,230 --> 00:52:18,000  
discussion

1557  
00:52:21,750 --> 00:52:20,240  
in the chat um but one of the things

1558  
00:52:25,349 --> 00:52:21,760  
that uh people talked about

1559  
00:52:26,309 --> 00:52:25,359  
was the correlation between the bulge

1560  
00:52:31,270 --> 00:52:26,319  
mass

1561  
00:52:32,549 --> 00:52:31,280  
and you sort of answered it a bit but

1562  
00:52:34,870 --> 00:52:32,559  
you know given that the

1563  
00:52:35,589 --> 00:52:34,880

the formation time scale of the two that

1564

00:52:38,230 --> 00:52:35,599

obviously

1565

00:52:38,870 --> 00:52:38,240

means how quickly do they form and you

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00:52:41,510 --> 00:52:38,880

know

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00:52:43,670 --> 00:52:41,520

do do do they form in the same time

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00:52:45,430 --> 00:52:43,680

scale type thing

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00:52:46,790 --> 00:52:45,440

that's a great question so as i

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00:52:48,390 --> 00:52:46,800

mentioned when we look back at more

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00:52:49,030 --> 00:52:48,400

distant galaxies we're looking back in

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00:52:50,790 --> 00:52:49,040

time but

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00:52:52,549 --> 00:52:50,800

these are kind of snapshots so how does

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00:52:54,630 --> 00:52:52,559

this evolve over time

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00:52:56,470 --> 00:52:54,640

so in the very distant universe when

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00:52:57,349 --> 00:52:56,480

galaxies are basically just starting to

1577

00:52:59,510 --> 00:52:57,359

be built

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00:53:00,710 --> 00:52:59,520

that's when we have gas collapsing down

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00:53:04,870 --> 00:53:00,720

it's starting to form

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00:53:05,430 --> 00:53:04,880

that's when the bulge really begins to

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00:53:06,870 --> 00:53:05,440

form

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00:53:08,309 --> 00:53:06,880

and so it's really from the very

1583

00:53:10,309 --> 00:53:08,319

earliest portions of the universe where

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00:53:12,309 --> 00:53:10,319

we can see that supermassive black holes

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00:53:14,309 --> 00:53:12,319

and galaxies are beginning to form

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00:53:15,430 --> 00:53:14,319

that these energetic phenomena are

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00:53:17,270 --> 00:53:15,440

happening so

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00:53:18,630 --> 00:53:17,280

a important question is well how long

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00:53:20,870 --> 00:53:18,640

does it really take to

1590

00:53:22,230 --> 00:53:20,880

necessarily do this that's not a

1591

00:53:23,990 --> 00:53:22,240

question an answer a question that i

1592

00:53:25,910 --> 00:53:24,000

have a very sharp answer for but what i

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00:53:27,589 --> 00:53:25,920

can tell you is that it's time scales

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00:53:29,910 --> 00:53:27,599

on the order of millions of years or

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00:53:31,510 --> 00:53:29,920

more and so we get that basically from

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00:53:33,670 --> 00:53:31,520

looking at how long

1597

00:53:34,790 --> 00:53:33,680

active galaxies are basically turned on

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00:53:36,549 --> 00:53:34,800

for so

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00:53:37,910 --> 00:53:36,559

the majority of galaxies in the universe

1600

00:53:39,349 --> 00:53:37,920

are basically quiescent their black

1601

00:53:40,549 --> 00:53:39,359

holes are kind of hidden they're not

1602

00:53:42,309 --> 00:53:40,559

really eating

1603

00:53:44,150 --> 00:53:42,319

but by looking at lots and lots of

1604

00:53:46,069 --> 00:53:44,160

galaxies we can figure out that

1605

00:53:47,349 --> 00:53:46,079

almost every galaxy should become an

1606

00:53:49,109 --> 00:53:47,359

active galaxy for

1607

00:53:50,710 --> 00:53:49,119

maybe 10 percent of its life or

1608

00:53:52,390 --> 00:53:50,720

something on that order and so we're

1609

00:53:52,950 --> 00:53:52,400

talking about time scales of millions of

1610

00:53:55,910 --> 00:53:52,960

years

1611

00:53:56,870 --> 00:53:55,920

sometimes maybe a bit more for sure okay

1612

00:53:59,510 --> 00:53:56,880

great

1613

00:54:01,589 --> 00:53:59,520

um grant justice has been monitoring the

1614

00:54:03,190 --> 00:54:01,599

chat more than i've been able to

1615

00:54:05,190 --> 00:54:03,200

uh grant why don't you turn on your

1616

00:54:05,910 --> 00:54:05,200

video and join us and bring us some of

1617

00:54:08,870 --> 00:54:05,920

the

1618

00:54:10,950 --> 00:54:08,880

best questions from our chat sure

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00:54:13,030 --> 00:54:10,960

absolutely

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00:54:15,910 --> 00:54:13,040

so yes the chat has been very active for

1621

00:54:18,069 --> 00:54:15,920

this one black holes are always one of

1622

00:54:19,670 --> 00:54:18,079

both online and our favorite subjects

1623

00:54:22,390 --> 00:54:19,680

when we get it so

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00:54:25,270 --> 00:54:22,400

um the first one that i picked out was

1625

00:54:26,549 --> 00:54:25,280

is the length of the ultra fast outflows

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00:54:29,589 --> 00:54:26,559

an indication of

1627

00:54:31,910 --> 00:54:29,599

age or formation activation time for

1628

00:54:33,349 --> 00:54:31,920

black holes

1629

00:54:35,670 --> 00:54:33,359

uh that's a good question so basically

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00:54:37,589 --> 00:54:35,680

these ultra fast outflows are very very

1631

00:54:39,750 --> 00:54:37,599

close to the supermassive black hole

1632

00:54:40,630 --> 00:54:39,760

so we can't necessarily measure how far

1633

00:54:42,230 --> 00:54:40,640

they extend

1634

00:54:44,309 --> 00:54:42,240

but we can figure out how long they've

1635

00:54:45,510 --> 00:54:44,319

been there by looking at these galaxies

1636

00:54:48,630 --> 00:54:45,520

again and again

1637

00:54:50,549 --> 00:54:48,640

and so in that context often we see them

1638

00:54:52,309 --> 00:54:50,559

sometimes appearing and disappearing on

1639

00:54:53,990 --> 00:54:52,319

week or month time scales

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00:54:55,990 --> 00:54:54,000

but the real tricky part here this is

1641

00:54:57,750 --> 00:54:56,000

where things get almost kind of ghostly

1642

00:54:59,270 --> 00:54:57,760

is that sometimes they're appearing and

1643

00:55:00,950 --> 00:54:59,280

disappearing just because

1644

00:55:03,190 --> 00:55:00,960

we can't actually see them with our

1645

00:55:05,670 --> 00:55:03,200

x-ray telescopes and what i mean is

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00:55:07,190 --> 00:55:05,680

each type of telescope is is sensitive

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00:55:08,390 --> 00:55:07,200

to a different wavelength range a

1648

00:55:10,549 --> 00:55:08,400

different energy range

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00:55:12,870 --> 00:55:10,559

and so if that outflow becomes so

1650

00:55:15,109 --> 00:55:12,880

incredibly ionized and excited

1651  
00:55:16,549 --> 00:55:15,119  
it may still be there but it disappears

1652  
00:55:17,510 --> 00:55:16,559  
from our telescope and we basically just

1653  
00:55:19,109 --> 00:55:17,520  
can't see it

1654  
00:55:21,030 --> 00:55:19,119  
or on the other side of that the outflow

1655  
00:55:21,750 --> 00:55:21,040  
can get so dense and mass loaded with

1656  
00:55:23,190 --> 00:55:21,760  
material

1657  
00:55:25,030 --> 00:55:23,200  
that it's basically blocking the view

1658  
00:55:26,549 --> 00:55:25,040  
all together and so

1659  
00:55:28,549 --> 00:55:26,559  
in terms of what these ultra fast

1660  
00:55:30,309 --> 00:55:28,559  
outflows do we know that they're close

1661  
00:55:31,910 --> 00:55:30,319  
to the center of galaxies but there's

1662  
00:55:33,750 --> 00:55:31,920  
actually been some recent evidence that

1663  
00:55:35,910 --> 00:55:33,760

maybe they travel out further

1664

00:55:37,589 --> 00:55:35,920

and then they push gas on the scales of

1665

00:55:39,829 --> 00:55:37,599

galaxies on galactic scale so there

1666

00:55:41,510 --> 00:55:39,839

might be some interaction

1667

00:55:43,910 --> 00:55:41,520

okay and that brings up another question

1668

00:55:45,270 --> 00:55:43,920

that was sort of referenced is that

1669

00:55:47,270 --> 00:55:45,280

the you talk about the speed of the

1670

00:55:49,030 --> 00:55:47,280

ultra fast ones right the ufos

1671

00:55:51,190 --> 00:55:49,040

um and then you talked about the speed

1672

00:55:52,789 --> 00:55:51,200

of this the stellar disc scale ones

1673

00:55:54,390 --> 00:55:52,799

but the ones that go all the way up i

1674

00:55:56,950 --> 00:55:54,400

mean does speed

1675

00:55:57,910 --> 00:55:56,960

correlate to the distance away is it you

1676

00:55:59,589 --> 00:55:57,920

know

1677

00:56:01,750 --> 00:55:59,599

how much of it is just the density of

1678

00:56:04,069 --> 00:56:01,760

the material it gets to plow through

1679

00:56:06,309 --> 00:56:04,079

versus how much this is the speed of the

1680

00:56:08,069 --> 00:56:06,319

uh up flow

1681

00:56:09,670 --> 00:56:08,079

absolutely that's a great question so

1682

00:56:11,670 --> 00:56:09,680

yeah so for those kind of bulge scale

1683

00:56:13,030 --> 00:56:11,680

outflows and galaxy scale outflows we're

1684

00:56:15,270 --> 00:56:13,040

generally looking at you know a few

1685

00:56:16,069 --> 00:56:15,280

hundred to a few thousand kilometers per

1686

00:56:18,069 --> 00:56:16,079

second

1687

00:56:19,829 --> 00:56:18,079

and since we can spatially resolve them

1688

00:56:21,190 --> 00:56:19,839

we can actually kind of see how they

1689

00:56:23,589 --> 00:56:21,200

change as they move throughout the

1690

00:56:24,950 --> 00:56:23,599

galaxy and so in a lot of cases we'll

1691

00:56:26,950 --> 00:56:24,960

see that it basically looks like

1692

00:56:28,789 --> 00:56:26,960

the gas is moving faster and faster and

1693

00:56:30,789 --> 00:56:28,799

faster and then at some point

1694

00:56:31,990 --> 00:56:30,799

it turns over and begins to slow down

1695

00:56:33,589 --> 00:56:32,000

and slow down and so

1696

00:56:35,670 --> 00:56:33,599

there's kind of two interpretations

1697

00:56:37,589 --> 00:56:35,680

either the gas is being accelerated and

1698

00:56:39,349 --> 00:56:37,599

then decelerated because you're running

1699

00:56:41,589 --> 00:56:39,359

out of energy to push it

1700

00:56:43,270 --> 00:56:41,599

or that gas is being driven from

1701  
00:56:43,990 --> 00:56:43,280  
wherever it was in the galaxy and the

1702  
00:56:45,990 --> 00:56:44,000  
further away

1703  
00:56:47,510 --> 00:56:46,000  
you get you just have less radiation so

1704  
00:56:49,670 --> 00:56:47,520  
you can't push it as fast

1705  
00:56:51,910 --> 00:56:49,680  
so these definitely change in velocity

1706  
00:56:55,030 --> 00:56:51,920  
as you move throughout a galaxy

1707  
00:56:58,549 --> 00:56:55,040  
okay grant what's in what's up next

1708  
00:57:01,109 --> 00:56:58,559  
yeah um so next up is do supermassive

1709  
00:57:02,549 --> 00:57:01,119  
black holes always begin as stars

1710  
00:57:04,309 --> 00:57:02,559  
is there any other way that they can

1711  
00:57:06,870 --> 00:57:04,319  
form

1712  
00:57:08,870 --> 00:57:06,880  
that is an excellent question if i had a

1713  
00:57:10,150 --> 00:57:08,880

full answer to that i'd probably have a

1714

00:57:12,470 --> 00:57:10,160

nobel prize

1715

00:57:13,750 --> 00:57:12,480

um so the further back we look in the

1716

00:57:15,270 --> 00:57:13,760

universe we still see

1717

00:57:17,190 --> 00:57:15,280

evidence of these supermassive black

1718

00:57:20,230 --> 00:57:17,200

holes and how they can possibly

1719

00:57:22,069 --> 00:57:20,240

form so quickly so early in the universe

1720

00:57:23,829 --> 00:57:22,079

is definitely still a mystery

1721

00:57:26,069 --> 00:57:23,839

and so this is one of those things there

1722

00:57:27,589 --> 00:57:26,079

are certainly many great ideas out there

1723

00:57:29,190 --> 00:57:27,599

it's been worked on for some time and

1724

00:57:30,950 --> 00:57:29,200

this is definitely one of the key

1725

00:57:33,670 --> 00:57:30,960

questions to push after with the james

1726

00:57:35,829 --> 00:57:33,680

webb space telescope

1727

00:57:37,109 --> 00:57:35,839

so the answer is we don't know but we're

1728

00:57:38,710 --> 00:57:37,119

going to find out

1729

00:57:41,910 --> 00:57:38,720

that is correct yes quintessential

1730

00:57:46,069 --> 00:57:44,630

what trade of black holes surprised or

1731

00:57:49,670 --> 00:57:46,079

surprises you

1732

00:57:52,390 --> 00:57:49,680

the most ah what an

1733

00:57:54,470 --> 00:57:52,400

interesting question what trait of

1734

00:57:55,349 --> 00:57:54,480

supermassive black holes surprises me

1735

00:57:57,190 --> 00:57:55,359

the most

1736

00:57:58,470 --> 00:57:57,200

i think the trait that surprises me the

1737

00:58:01,829 --> 00:57:58,480

most

1738

00:58:04,630 --> 00:58:01,839

is how we picture these as having this

1739

00:58:06,710 --> 00:58:04,640

immense gravitational field that just

1740

00:58:08,069 --> 00:58:06,720

eats everything around it which if you

1741

00:58:11,270 --> 00:58:08,079

get close to the black hole

1742

00:58:12,470 --> 00:58:11,280

is very true however if you're very far

1743

00:58:14,309 --> 00:58:12,480

from the black hole

1744

00:58:16,150 --> 00:58:14,319

it's basically the same gravity as you

1745

00:58:17,589 --> 00:58:16,160

might feel from a star or any other body

1746

00:58:18,230 --> 00:58:17,599

and so for example if you were to take

1747

00:58:19,990 --> 00:58:18,240

the sun

1748

00:58:21,910 --> 00:58:20,000

and pluck it out of the solar system and

1749

00:58:23,030 --> 00:58:21,920

put a black hole with the same mass

1750

00:58:25,589 --> 00:58:23,040

which would be very small

1751

00:58:27,030 --> 00:58:25,599

few kilometers in size for the most part

1752

00:58:28,710 --> 00:58:27,040

all the planets would just keep going on

1753

00:58:30,470 --> 00:58:28,720

in their orbits as they were

1754

00:58:31,750 --> 00:58:30,480

things very close like mercury might get

1755

00:58:33,990 --> 00:58:31,760

perturbed a little bit

1756

00:58:35,510 --> 00:58:34,000

but in general it's just a point source

1757

00:58:37,349 --> 00:58:35,520

of gravity and so that is one of the

1758

00:58:38,789 --> 00:58:37,359

most surprising things to me is that

1759

00:58:40,630 --> 00:58:38,799

they're not just these monsters eating

1760

00:58:42,150 --> 00:58:40,640

necessarily everything all around them

1761

00:58:44,390 --> 00:58:42,160

but once you get very close

1762

00:58:45,430 --> 00:58:44,400

things do you get very intense yeah

1763

00:58:46,870 --> 00:58:45,440

that's one of the

1764

00:58:48,549 --> 00:58:46,880

hardest things to get across to the

1765

00:58:51,109 --> 00:58:48,559

public because

1766

00:58:52,069 --> 00:58:51,119

mass media has created them as oh

1767

00:58:54,950 --> 00:58:52,079

they're sucking in

1768

00:58:55,990 --> 00:58:54,960

everything around it uh no black holes

1769

00:58:59,670 --> 00:58:56,000

don't suck guys

1770

00:59:02,630 --> 00:58:59,680

okay they're just gravitational entities

1771

00:59:02,950 --> 00:59:02,640

so it's uh it's and that we will we will

1772

00:59:04,710 --> 00:59:02,960

be

1773

00:59:06,390 --> 00:59:04,720

explaining that for the rest of our

1774

00:59:07,829 --> 00:59:06,400

careers unfortunately

1775

00:59:09,670 --> 00:59:07,839

it's less of a headline if it's not

1776

00:59:12,870 --> 00:59:09,680

trying to kill us all immediately

1777

00:59:16,829 --> 00:59:12,880

or impending doom so

1778

00:59:19,190 --> 00:59:16,839

but so is it possible for emissions to

1779

00:59:19,829 --> 00:59:19,200

restart because one of the theories that

1780

00:59:23,190 --> 00:59:19,839

you mentioned

1781

00:59:24,150 --> 00:59:23,200

was black holes having a potential to

1782

00:59:26,470 --> 00:59:24,160

freeze

1783

00:59:27,670 --> 00:59:26,480

as it were is it possible for emissions

1784

00:59:30,950 --> 00:59:27,680

to come from a

1785

00:59:32,230 --> 00:59:30,960

frozen black hole absolutely this is a

1786

00:59:34,309 --> 00:59:32,240

fantastic question

1787

00:59:35,750 --> 00:59:34,319

so thank you for bringing this up so in

1788

00:59:37,270 --> 00:59:35,760

this picture i've kind of painted the

1789

00:59:38,789 --> 00:59:37,280

active galaxy is basically just

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00:59:40,789 --> 00:59:38,799

continuously putting out

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00:59:42,150 --> 00:59:40,799

energy it's exciting this gas and

1792

00:59:44,710 --> 00:59:42,160

driving it but

1793

00:59:46,390 --> 00:59:44,720

that all relies on material getting down

1794

00:59:46,870 --> 00:59:46,400

into the black hole and so that can

1795

00:59:49,109 --> 00:59:46,880

happen

1796

00:59:51,270 --> 00:59:49,119

from gas just working its way in from

1797

00:59:51,750 --> 00:59:51,280

minor mergers where little galaxies come

1798

00:59:53,270 --> 00:59:51,760

in

1799

00:59:54,789 --> 00:59:53,280

and so it's possible for these active

1800

00:59:57,030 --> 00:59:54,799

galaxies basically to turn

1801  
00:59:58,309 --> 00:59:57,040  
on and off so we can look at an active

1802  
00:59:59,670 --> 00:59:58,319  
galaxy today

1803  
01:00:01,829 --> 00:59:59,680  
and say well there's barely anything

1804  
01:00:03,750 --> 01:00:01,839  
going on but if we look at the larger

1805  
01:00:05,829 --> 01:00:03,760  
scales we'll see these echoes these kind

1806  
01:00:08,950 --> 01:00:05,839  
of light echoes or these remnants

1807  
01:00:09,990 --> 01:00:08,960  
of much more excited gas at larger radii

1808  
01:00:11,589 --> 01:00:10,000  
that tells us

1809  
01:00:13,990 --> 01:00:11,599  
that at some point in the past the

1810  
01:00:15,670 --> 01:00:14,000  
active galaxy was much more powerful

1811  
01:00:17,030 --> 01:00:15,680  
and we've also seen the converse of that

1812  
01:00:18,789 --> 01:00:17,040  
where basically it looks like something

1813  
01:00:20,630 --> 01:00:18,799

is restarting where we have this

1814

01:00:22,470 --> 01:00:20,640

old radio jet that's basically

1815

01:00:24,150 --> 01:00:22,480

dissipating and then a new jet

1816

01:00:28,789 --> 01:00:24,160

that is being launched much closer to

1817

01:00:32,309 --> 01:00:28,799

the black hole

1818

01:00:35,510 --> 01:00:32,319

all right so on the online questions

1819

01:00:40,309 --> 01:00:35,520

that's more or less where i had um

1820

01:00:42,630 --> 01:00:40,319

i'm checking to see if there are any um

1821

01:00:43,430 --> 01:00:42,640

and he came in during the uh yeah

1822

01:00:45,910 --> 01:00:43,440

there's one about

1823

01:00:46,710 --> 01:00:45,920

chemical makeup of the gas is the

1824

01:00:49,750 --> 01:00:46,720

chemical makeup

1825

01:00:50,950 --> 01:00:49,760

of gas similar among galaxies or is the

1826

01:00:52,630 --> 01:00:50,960

proportion of elements

1827

01:00:55,430 --> 01:00:52,640

significantly different different from

1828

01:00:58,390 --> 01:00:55,440

one galaxy to the next

1829

01:01:00,150 --> 01:00:58,400

a very interesting question so all the

1830

01:01:01,190 --> 01:01:00,160

gas and dust and stars in these galaxies

1831

01:01:02,230 --> 01:01:01,200

are made up of all the different

1832

01:01:04,710 --> 01:01:02,240

elements we can see

1833

01:01:06,309 --> 01:01:04,720

primarily hydrogen and helium but traces

1834

01:01:07,829 --> 01:01:06,319

of everything else such as carbon

1835

01:01:10,150 --> 01:01:07,839

nitrogen and oxygen

1836

01:01:11,910 --> 01:01:10,160

and so depending on which distance

1837

01:01:13,829 --> 01:01:11,920

you're looking at from the galaxy

1838

01:01:15,349 --> 01:01:13,839

those relative abundances of the

1839

01:01:17,270 --> 01:01:15,359

elements do change

1840

01:01:19,349 --> 01:01:17,280

and so often we see near the centers of

1841

01:01:21,670 --> 01:01:19,359

galaxies where stars have formed in the

1842

01:01:23,990 --> 01:01:21,680

past and they process that material

1843

01:01:25,670 --> 01:01:24,000

we have higher metallicity basically

1844

01:01:26,470 --> 01:01:25,680

elements that are heavier than hydrogen

1845

01:01:28,710 --> 01:01:26,480

helium

1846

01:01:30,789 --> 01:01:28,720

whereas at much larger distances we

1847

01:01:33,270 --> 01:01:30,799

might see much lower metallicity so we

1848

01:01:35,270 --> 01:01:33,280

have much less of those heavy elements

1849

01:01:36,870 --> 01:01:35,280

and this is another reason i didn't have

1850

01:01:37,990 --> 01:01:36,880

a chance to touch on as to why these

1851

01:01:40,069 --> 01:01:38,000

winds and outflows are so

1852

01:01:41,910 --> 01:01:40,079

important because then we're taking some

1853

01:01:44,150 --> 01:01:41,920

of that enriched material

1854

01:01:45,990 --> 01:01:44,160

and we're moving it out onto much larger

1855

01:01:47,270 --> 01:01:46,000

scales where it may not normally be and

1856

01:01:48,230 --> 01:01:47,280

so that's going to affect the way that

1857

01:01:52,230 --> 01:01:48,240

stars form

1858

01:01:54,309 --> 01:01:52,240

gas cools and all those sorts of details

1859

01:01:55,670 --> 01:01:54,319

okay i actually have a pretty good one

1860

01:01:56,309 --> 01:01:55,680

that just came in right now i'm gonna

1861

01:01:58,470 --> 01:01:56,319

say there's

1862

01:01:59,910 --> 01:01:58,480

that that's a good good last question

1863

01:02:03,270 --> 01:01:59,920

yep

1864

01:02:07,510 --> 01:02:03,280

do black holes die and if so

1865

01:02:11,029 --> 01:02:07,520

how do black holes die

1866

01:02:12,630 --> 01:02:11,039

so theoretically there is a process

1867

01:02:14,870 --> 01:02:12,640

known as hawking radiation where black

1868

01:02:16,230 --> 01:02:14,880

holes could very very very slowly

1869

01:02:18,230 --> 01:02:16,240

evaporate

1870

01:02:20,470 --> 01:02:18,240

for supermassive black holes the amount

1871

01:02:22,549 --> 01:02:20,480

of time that that would take is

1872

01:02:23,510 --> 01:02:22,559

many times longer than the age of the

1873

01:02:25,589 --> 01:02:23,520

universe

1874

01:02:26,710 --> 01:02:25,599

even for small black holes made from

1875

01:02:28,789 --> 01:02:26,720

smaller stars

1876

01:02:30,309 --> 01:02:28,799

it's still an exceedingly long time and

1877

01:02:32,870 --> 01:02:30,319

so we don't have any direct

1878

01:02:34,470 --> 01:02:32,880

measurement of that but otherwise in

1879

01:02:36,630 --> 01:02:34,480

theory the black hole will just

1880

01:02:40,230 --> 01:02:36,640

sit there forever until something comes

1881

01:02:45,349 --> 01:02:43,510

ah well yeah black holes will

1882

01:02:46,829 --> 01:02:45,359

for at least for as far as we're

1883

01:02:48,470 --> 01:02:46,839

concerned black holes will be around

1884

01:02:51,109 --> 01:02:48,480

forever

1885

01:02:52,870 --> 01:02:51,119

and i probably think at least for my

1886

01:02:53,750 --> 01:02:52,880

lifetime will continually be learning

1887

01:02:56,710 --> 01:02:53,760

about them

1888

01:02:58,870 --> 01:02:56,720

uh there's just uh yeah the the amount

1889

01:03:00,789 --> 01:02:58,880

that radio astronomy and telescopes like

1890

01:03:03,190 --> 01:03:00,799

arecibo we talked about earlier

1891

01:03:04,630 --> 01:03:03,200

have contributed to our understanding of

1892

01:03:06,309 --> 01:03:04,640

what goes on in the cores of these

1893

01:03:09,190 --> 01:03:06,319

galaxies it's just been

1894

01:03:09,990 --> 01:03:09,200

amazing to watch over the decades

1895

01:03:11,829 --> 01:03:10,000

absolutely we've

1896

01:03:13,109 --> 01:03:11,839

learned so much and yet we still have so

1897

01:03:14,870 --> 01:03:13,119

much to learn and so

1898

01:03:16,230 --> 01:03:14,880

if we knew it all then astronomy would

1899

01:03:17,910 --> 01:03:16,240

not be fun and so that's one of the most

1900

01:03:19,600 --> 01:03:17,920

exciting things in astronomy

1901

01:03:19,700 --> 01:03:19,610

we knew it all we'd be out of jobs

1902

01:03:22,630 --> 01:03:19,710

[Music]

1903

01:03:24,309 --> 01:03:22,640

[Laughter]

1904

01:03:25,670 --> 01:03:24,319

to see as well like hubble's the same

1905

01:03:28,470 --> 01:03:25,680

age as i am so

1906

01:03:30,630 --> 01:03:28,480

we have the same lifespan thus far i

1907

01:03:31,589 --> 01:03:30,640

can't wait for jwst to get into some of

1908

01:03:32,950 --> 01:03:31,599

these

1909

01:03:34,950 --> 01:03:32,960

i didn't want to mention it during the

1910

01:03:37,349 --> 01:03:34,960

news summary but arecibo

1911

01:03:39,190 --> 01:03:37,359

was launched it was what started

1912

01:03:41,349 --> 01:03:39,200

operation the year i was born

1913

01:03:46,470 --> 01:03:41,359

um so it looks like i have a little bit

1914

01:03:50,309 --> 01:03:48,309

all right well thank you very much

1915

01:03:51,910 --> 01:03:50,319

appreciate all of your help

1916

01:03:53,829 --> 01:03:51,920

grant in getting the comments out of

1917

01:03:57,109 --> 01:03:53,839

this everybody next month

1918

01:03:59,190 --> 01:03:57,119

remember it's january 19th special date

1919

01:04:02,230 --> 01:03:59,200

we're skipping the first couple tuesdays

1920

01:04:05,510 --> 01:04:02,240

uh for for various reasons it will be

1921

01:04:08,549 --> 01:04:05,520

the darkest secrets of the universe

1922

01:04:10,470 --> 01:04:08,559

raja kuhaturta from the uc santa cruz

1923

01:04:11,589 --> 01:04:10,480

we'll see you then thank you all for