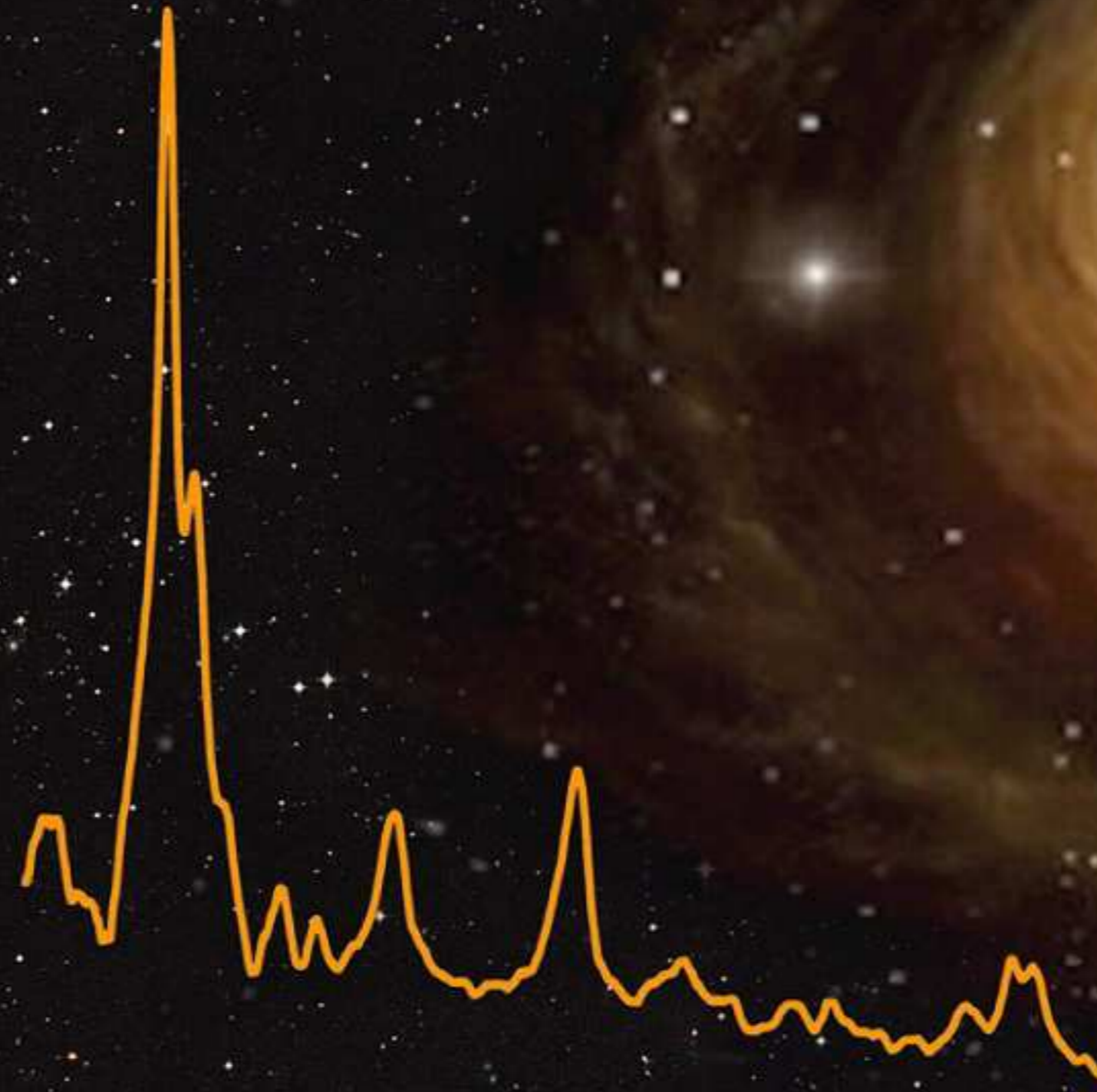


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QUASARS have been discovered slightly more than 50 years ago and are still at the frontiers of our knowledge. The times are ripe for a critical assessment of our present view of quasars as accreting systems and of their evolution across cosmic time. The aim of the Padova meeting is to review the main observational scenarios following an empirical approach, to present and discuss theories, and then to analyze how a closer connection between theory and observation can be achieved, identifying those aspects of our understanding that are still on a shaky terrain and are therefore uncertain knowledge. The meeting will cover topics ranging from the systematic organization of observational properties of quasars to accretion processes in the nearest environment of the quasar black holes, from feedback effects on host galaxies and environmental effects that are relevant for improving our still-lacunose understanding of galaxy evolution. The meeting will be held in downtown Padova, whose University and Observatory host one of the largest communities of professional astronomers in Europe.



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