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ABSTRACT

In order to understand the interaction between the central black hole and the whole galaxy or their co-evolution history along with cosmic time, a complete census of active galactic nuclei (AGN) is crucial. However, AGNs are often missed in optical, UV and soft X-ray observations since they could be obscured by gas and dust. A mid-infrared (mid-IR) survey supported by multiwave-length data is one of the best ways to find obscured AGN activities because it suffers less from extinction. Previous large IR photometric surveys, e.g., WISE and Spitzer, have gaps between the mid-IR filters. Therefore, star forming galaxy (SFG)-AGN diagnostics in the mid-IR were limited. The AKARI satellite has a unique continuous 9-band filter coverage in the near to mid-IR wavelengths. In this work, we take advantage of the state-of-the-art spectral energy distribution (SED) modelling software, CIGALE, to find AGNs in mid-IR. We found 126 AGNs in the NEP-Wide field with this method. We also investigate the energy released from the AGN as a fraction of the total IR luminosity of a galaxy. We found that the AGN contribution is larger at higher redshifts for a given IR luminosity. With the upcoming deep IR surveys, e.g., JWST, we expect to find more AGNs with our method.

Key words: galaxies: active – infrared: galaxies

1 INTRODUCTION

An active galactic nucleus (AGN) is a compact ultra-luminous region at the centre of a galaxy. It is widely believed that a supermassive black hole (SMBH) resides in every AGN, and the mass of a black hole is related to the bulge mass of a galaxy (e.g., Kormendy & Ho 2013). In order to study galaxy evolution, it is important to find AGNs in the Universe, as the presence of an AGN has a nonnegligible impact on the main physical parameters of galaxies, such as star formation rate (SFR), etc. There are several ways to search for AGNs, e.g., based on optical, UV and soft X-ray observations (e.g., Hickox & Alexander 2018). However, AGNs may be obscured by gas and dust. The obscured AGNs could be missed by these observations. Also, Compton-thick AGNs (CTAGNs) are highly obscured, even at hard X-rays with $E > 10$ keV. To avoid missing dust-obscured AGNs in the Universe, mid-infrared (mid-IR) survey of AGNs is crucial.

Mid-IR surveys are sensitive to AGNs due to the warm dust emission of AGNs. In general, AGNs show thermal emission from warm dust at mid-IR wavelengths, which is heated by strong radiation from the central accretion disks. However, in the mid-IR wavelengths such as 8.3, 6.2, 7.7, 8.6, and 11.3 $\mu$m, star-forming galaxies (SFGs) also produce strong polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon (PAH) emission (e.g., Feltre et al. 2013; Ohnami et al. 2018; Kim et al. 2019). Therefore, in order to find dust-obscured AGNs using mid-IR surveys, we need to carefully examine the spectral features in mid-IR wavelengths.

Many works have been conducted to search, identify and characterise AGNs by using the data from Spitzer infrared telescope and Wide-field Infrared Survey Explorer (WISE) (e.g., Huwang et al. 2012; Toba et al. 2015; Toba & Nagao 2016). However, both WISE and Spitzer have limited available filters (3.4, 4.6, 12 and 22 $\mu$m in WISE and 3.6, 4.5, 5.8, 8.0 and 24 $\mu$m in Spitzer) and there are wavelength gaps within the mid-IR wavelengths such as 10-20 $\mu$m, making SFG-AGN diagnostics difficult. If the feature of a source falls in the gap of the filters in WISE or Spitzer, we may fail to classify SFG and AGN correctly.

To avoid this type of failure, the best way is to use an instrument with continuous filter system covering these mid-IR gaps, such as the Infrared Camera (IRC, Onaka et al. 2007), installed in AKARI space telescope. AKARI (Muraichi et al. 2007), an IR space telescope launched by ISAS/JAXA in 2006, successfully carried out an all-sky survey at IR wavelengths. The North Ecliptic Pole (NEP) survey (Matsuhara et al. 2006) was one of the dedicated photometry surveys with the AKARI’s pointing observations. AKARI observed the sky region with its 9 continuous passbands, from near- to mid-IR wavelengths. Detailed information on AKARI is in Section 2.

The combination of the AKARI IR photometry and X-ray data gives a strong tool to find Compton-thick AGNs (Krumpe et al. 2015; Miyaji & Team 2018). Huwang et al. (2017) performed spectral energy distribution (SED) fitting to select AGNs from data of the AKARI NEP deep survey (Matsuhara et al. 2006) covering a field of 0.57 deg$^2$, containing ~ 5800 sources. By combining AKARI’s 9 passbands, WISE ALLWISE 1, 2, 3, 4 and Spitzer Infrared Array Camera (IRAC) 1, 2, 3, 4 and Multiband Imaging Photometer for Spitzer (MIPS) 1 passbands, they fit 25 empirical models by using an SED template fitting code, Le Phare (PHotometric Analysis for Redshift Estimate; Arnouts et al. 1999; Ilbert et al. 2006). Because of the continuous mid-IR coverage of AKARI, they recovered more X-ray selected AGNs (Krumpe et al. 2015) than previous works (Lacy et al. 2007) based on IR colour-colour diagrams by ~ 20 percent.

Chiang et al. (2019) also used Le Phare to select AGNs by taking advantage of the unique AKARI NEP wide field survey (NEP-Wide; Matsuhara et al. 2006; Lee et al. 2009; Kim et al. 2012) sample with 18 IR bands of data, including AKARI’s 9 passbands, WISE 1-4, Spitzer IRAC 1-4 and MIPS 1 photometry. Their results indicate that AGN number fraction seems to show stronger IR luminosity dependence than redshift dependence. They also examined the fractions of SFGs and found mild decreasing trends at high IR luminosities.
Recently, Subaru Hyper Suprime-Cam (HSC; Miyazaki et al. 2018) observations with $g$, $r$, $i$, $z$, and $Y$ bands were carried out to cover the entire field of the AKARI NEP Wide field (covering $5.4\,\text{deg}^2$) (Goto et al. 2017). The new HSC observation allowed us to extend AKARI sources with photometric redshift to the full coverage of the NEP Wide field (Ho et al. 2020). Furthermore, the advanced SED fitting code CIGALE\(^1\) (Code Investigating GALaxy Emission; Burgarella et al. 2005; Noll et al. 2009; Boquien et al. 2019) can not only classify AGNs but also obtain physical properties of our targets.

With the new HSC photometry and the state-of-the-art SED-fitting software, CIGALE, our goal is to recover more dust-obscured AGNs in the AKARI NEP-Wide survey and investigate the physical properties of the sources.

This work is organised as follows. We describe our sample selection and method in Section 2. The result of our AGN selection and the physical properties of AGNs are described in Section 3. Our discussion is shown in Section 4. Our conclusions are in Section 5. Throughout this paper, we use AB magnitude system unless otherwise mentioned. We assume a cosmology with $H_0 = 70.4\,\text{km}\,\text{s}^{-1}\text{Mpc}^{-1}$, $\Omega_L = 0.728$, and $\Omega_M = 0.272$ (Komatsu et al. 2011).

## 2 DATA AND ANALYSIS

### 2.1 Data

We selected samples from the AKARI NEP Wide survey. The NEP Wide survey was centered at (RA, Dec)=$\{18^\circ 00^\prime 00^\prime\prime, +66^\circ 33^\prime 38^\prime\prime\}$, covering $5.4\,\text{deg}^2$ with the AKARI Infrared Camera (IRC). The AKARI IRC has 3 channels: NIR, MIR-S and MIR-L. There are 3 filters in each channel, so the IRC has 9 filters in total: $N_2$, $N_3$, $N_4$, $S_7$, $S_9W$, $S_{11}$, $L_{15}$, $L_{18W}$, and $L_{24}$, corresponding to $2\,\mu\text{m}, 3\,\mu\text{m}, 4\,\mu\text{m}, 7\,\mu\text{m}, 9\,\mu\text{m}, 11\,\mu\text{m}, 15\,\mu\text{m}, 18\,\mu\text{m}$, and $24\,\mu\text{m}$ of the reference wavelengths, respectively. Kim et al. (2012) presented a photometric catalogue of IR sources from the NEP-Wide survey using the nine photometric filters of the IRC. In the near-IR bands, the $N_2$ filter reaches a depth of $\sim20.9\,\text{mag}$, and the $N_3$ and $N_4$ bands reach $\sim21.1\,\text{mag}$. The mid-IR detection limits are much shallower than those of near-IR bands: $\sim19.5$ ($S_7$), $19.3$ ($S_9W$), and $19.0$ ($S_{11}$) for the MIR-S bands, and $\sim18.6, 18.7$, and $18.8$, corresponding to $L_{15}, L_{18W}$ and $L_{24}$ for the MIR-L bands, respectively.

Recently, Oi et al. (2020, submitted) cross-matched the Subaru Hyper-Suprime-Cam (HSC) sources with the AKARI sources in the NEP Wide field and constructed an HSC-AKARI catalogue (see also Toba et al. (2020b) for AKARI sources without HSC counterparts). The HSC optical imaging observations were carried out in five broad bands ($g$, $r$, $i$, $z$, and $Y$) covering an almost entire field of the NEP-Wide survey ($\sim5.4\,\text{deg}^2$). This catalogue enables us to calculate the photometric redshifts of the AKARI sources.

In order to optimise the advantage of AKARI photometry, Kim et al. (2020) constructed a multibandwidth catalogue based on AKARI data. They used the ‘‘matching radius’’ determined by astrometry offset tests for each matching procedure. The multibandwidth catalogue contains UV to submillimetre counterparts of the AKARI sources in the NEP-Wide field. In this catalogue, there are $91,861$ sources in total. Among them, there are $2,026$ sources with spectroscopic redshifts. Spectroscopic redshifts are collected from various published and unpublished sources as detailed below. The spectroscopic data are provided by several spectroscopic observations with various telescopes/instruments in optical, Keck/DEIMOS (Shogaki et al. 2018; Kim et al. 2018), MMT/Hectospec (Shim et al. 2013), WIYN/Hydra (Shim et al. 2013), GTC (Miyaji et al. in prep.; Díaz Tello et al. 2017; Krumpe et al. 2015), and in near-IR, Subaru/FMOS (Oi et al. 2017). For the sources without spectroscopic redshifts, photometric redshifts of our sample are calculated by using Le Phare (Ho et al. 2020). Also, Kim et al. (2020) obtained the X-ray catalogue from Chandra NEP deep survey and the spectra of $1,796$ sources were obtained from (Shim et al. 2013). Shim et al. (2013) identified $1,128$ star-forming or absorption-line-dominated galaxies, $198$ Type-1 AGNs, $8$ Type-2 AGNs, $121$ Galactic stars, and $190$ spectra of unknown sources due to low signal-to-noise ratio. Most of the sources with spectroscopic redshifts are already classified by Shim et al. (2013) and Krumpe et al. (2015).

There are $42$ bands in total in the multiwavelength cat-

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Figure 1. An overall map showing a variety of surveys around the NEP. The red circular area shows the AKARI’s NEP-Wide field (Kim et al. 2012). The four blue circles represent the $r$-band coverage of the Subaru/HSC survey (Oi et al. 2020, submitted). The gray dashed line represents the optical surveys done with the the Maidanak SNUCAM ($R$, $R'$, $I$) (Jeon et al. 2010). The green dashed rectangle represents the CFHT/MegaCam ($u'$, $g$, $r$, $i$, $z$) survey (Hwang et al. 2007). The yellow square shows an observation with MegaCam and WIRCam ($Y$, $J$, $K_s$) on the NEP-Deep field (Oi et al. 2014). The orange dotted shape indicates the $H$ band survey with KPNO/FLAMINGOS (Jeon et al. 2014). The black dashed square inside the yellow box shows the area observed by the Herschel/PACS (Pearson et al. 2019). The largest dark-red rectangle shows the Herschel/SPIRE coverage (Pearson et al. in prep). The $g$, $i$, $z$ and $y$ band observations by the Subaru HSC (Oi et al. 2020, submitted) is not shown in this figure. The $u$-band observation by the MegaPrime/MegaCam (Huang et al. 2020) is not shown in this figure.
36 bands from the band-merged catalogue (Kim et al. submitted, 91861 sources in total) + selection criteria:
(1) Spec-z >0 or Photo-z >0
(2) Detection at AKARI L18W (5σ)
(3) Detection at Herschel SPIRE 250 μm or PACS 100 μm

Figure 2. Flowchart of the sample selection process.

We used 36 bands from the catalogue in this work, including data in the UV band from CFHT Megacam (u'), and CFHT MegaPrime (u), 5 optical bands from Subaru HSC (g, r, i, z, Y), 3 bands from Maidanak's Seoul National University 4K × 4K Camera (SNUCAM; Jeon et al. 2010), AK ARI ISC (2.4, 3.2, 4.1, 7, 9, 11, 15, 18, and 24 μm), 3 bands from CFHT WIRCcam (Y, J, Ks), 4 mid-IR bands from WISE ALLWISE 1-4 (3.4, 4.6, 12, and 22μm), 4 mid-IR bands from Spitzer IRAC 1-4 (3.6, 4.5, 5.8, and 8.0μm), 2 bands from Herschel PACS (100 and 160 μm), and 3 bands from Herschel SPIRE (250, 350 and 500 μm). An overall map showing a variety of surveys around the NEP is shown in Fig. 1. Information on the filters is given below. Aside from the AKARI IRC observational data, we also use other near to mid-IR data in this work.

The H-band catalogue (Jeon et al. 2014) of the NEP region is obtained from the Florida Multi-object Imaging Near-IR Grism Observational Spectrometer (FLAMINGOS; Elston et al. 2006) on the Kitt Peak National Observatory (KPNO). KPNO has a 2.1 m telescope covering a 5.1 deg2 area down to a 5σ depth of 21.3 mag for the H-bands with an astrometric accuracy of 0.14 and 0.17 for 1σ in the R.A. and Dec. directions, respectively. We obtain the WISE 4-band data from Jarrett et al. (2011). WISE is a NASA-funded Medium-Class Explorer mission, consisting of a 40-cm space-based infrared telescope whose science payload consists of mega-pixel cameras, cooled with a two-stage solid hydrogen cryostat. WISE maps the entire sky at 3.4μm (W1), 4.6μm (W2), 12μm (W3), and 22 μm (W4) with 5σ depth of 18.1, 17.2, 18.4, and 16.1 mag, respectively.

The CFHT WIRCcam data are obtained from Oi et al. (2014). WIRCcam uses four 2048 × 2048 HAWAII2RG CCD arrays. The 5σ limiting magnitudes are 23.4, 23.0, and 22.7 for WIRCcam Y, J, and Ks-bands, respectively. The Spitzer two-band catalogue of the NEP field IRAC1 (3.6 μm) and IRAC2 (4.5 μm) is presented by Nayyeri et al. (2018). The observations covered 7 deg2, with the 5σ depths of 21.8 and 22.4 mag in the IRAC1 and IRAC2 bands, respectively. The IRAC3(5.8 μm) and IRAC4(8 μm) data are obtained from Jarrett et al. (2011). The observations covered 0.40 deg2, with the 5σ depths of 16.6 and 15.4 mag in the IRAC3 and IRAC4 bands, respectively.

We used the data from Subaru HSC (Goto et al. 2017, Oi et al. 2020, submitted). The deep HSC g, r, i, z, and Y imaging of the AKARI NEP wide field can provide accurate photometric redshift of the AKARI sources. The 5σ detection depths of HSC (over a 1 arcsec aperture) at g, r, i, z, and Y-bands are 28.6, 27.3, 26.7, 26.0, and 25.6 mag, respectively.

The u' imaging data of Canada-France-Hawaii Telescope (CFHT; Iye & Moorwood 2003) Megacam is collected from Hwang et al. (2007) and Oi et al. (2014). The data of u' imaging data of CFHT MegaPrime is obtained from Goto et al. (2019) and Huang et al. (2020).

We also obtained data from Maidanak's Seoul National University 4K × 4K Camera (SNUCAM; Jeon et al. 2010). The SNUCAM contains B, R, and I imaging, where the B, R, and I- band data reach the depths of ~23.1, ~23.1, and ~22.3 mag at 5σ, respectively.

We also used far-IR data from Herschel/PACS (Pearson et al. 2019) and Herschel/SPIRE (Pearson et al. in prep) observations at the NEP region. The PACS observation covers ~0.44 deg2 overlapping with the NEP region, which contains the 100 μm and 160 μm imaging data. SPIRE covers 9 deg2 of the NEP, containing 250 μm, 350 μm and 500 μm imaging data.

2.2 SED fitting using CIGALE

We used CIGALE version 2018.0. to perform SED fitting and model the optical to far-IR emission of each source. The model is based on the energy balance principle: the UV-optical energy absorbed by dust is self-consistently re-emitted in the mid- to far-IR. CIGALE allows many parameters to be varied in order to fit an observed SED, such as star formation history (SFH), single stellar population (SSP), attenuation law, AGN emission, and dust thermal emission.

We assumed a SFH delayed with optional exponential burst. We fixed e-folding times of the main stellar population (τmain) and the late starburst population (τburst), while the age of the main stellar population in the galaxy is parameterised. We adopted the stellar templates from Bruzual & Charlot (2003), by assuming the initial mass function (IMF) introduced by Salpeter (1955), and the standard default nebular emission model in CIGALE (see also Inoue 2011). Dust attenuation is modelled following Charlot & Fall (2000) with additional flexibility. The Charlot & Fall (2000) attenuation law recipe is described by two power laws: one for birth cloud (BC), and the other for the interstellar medium (ISM). According to the original law, both power law slopes are equal to ~0.7. In our analysis, we introduce slopes flexibility (then the law becomes more similar to the Double Power Law, see for example Lo Faro et al. (2017) and Buat et al. (2018). We also separately parameterised the V-band attenuation in the ISM (ISM). We do not introduce any flexibility for the μ parameter which is defined as the ratio of the attenuation in the V-band experienced by old and young stars. While earlier works on nearby starburst galaxies obtained μ = 0.3 (e.g. Charlot & Fall 2000), recent works found slightly higher values of μ = 0.44 (e.g. Malek et al. 2018) and μ = 0.5
We did not set AGN contribution up to 1. In order to obtain good fitting results, the mid-IR and far-IR photometry is important. We require a detection in the far-IR, we also selected sources detected in Herschel far-IR wavelengths, particularly in IRAC3 and IRAC4 (120 and 160µm). Therefore, we set this parameter ranging only from 0 to 0.7.

Also, in order to avoid misunderstandings from other literature (e.g., Chiang et al. 2019), who defined their AGN fraction as the number fraction of AGNs over all galaxies), we describe our AGN fraction from the SED fitting as ‘AGN contribution’ in this work. We require a detection in the far-IR, we also selected sources detected in Herschel far-IR wavelengths, particularly in IRAC3 and IRAC4 (120 and 160µm). Therefore, we set this parameter ranging only from 0 to 0.7.

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the far-IR is too large for us to have a well constrained SED fitting. The L18W passband is wider than the L15 and L24 bands and it has higher sensitivity than the L15 and L24 bands. Even though this criterion will make our sample sizes smaller, the performance of the continuum fitting by CIGALE can be better constrained. Also, all sources must have redshifts larger than 0 in order to exclude stars. We use the spectroscopic redshifts if the sources have them. For the sources with no spectroscopic redshifts, we use the photometric redshifts calculated by Ho et al. (2020). Ho et al. (2020) also suggest that there are some sources with bad photometry of HSC, which we excluded in our work. Furthermore, we also exclude the stars based on the star/galaxy separation by Ho et al. (2020). After applying the above criteria, there are 446 sources with spectroscopic redshifts and 1397 sources with photometric redshifts. Under the parameter settings described in Table 2, we fit the stellar, AGN, and SF components to at most 36 photometric points.

After the SED fitting, we applied a basic criterion to select the samples so that we could eliminate objects without enough information and ensure that the data are moderately well-fitted with a combination of the stellar, AGN, and SF components by CIGALE. The criterion is: the SED-fitting result of an object must have reduced $\chi^2 < 10$. The reason why we determined this selection criterion is because of the large number of data points we use in CIGALE. Since there are at most 36 photometric points, the photometric points are very likely to be correlated. Therefore, the reduced $\chi^2$ may not be well estimated. After the visual inspection, we found reduced $\chi^2 < 10$ provides a reasonable limit. With the above criterion, there are 404 sources with spectroscopic redshift, and 1267 sources with photometric redshift, which we define as ‘spec-z sample’ and ‘photo-z sample’, respectively. We combine spec-z sample and photo-z sample into ‘all-z sample’, having 1,671 sources, in total, for further analyses. The reason why we have to separate spec-z sample and photo-z sample first is to check the AGN recovery rate in spec-z sample and reliability for the photo-z sample. As mentioned before, most of the sources with spectroscopic redshifts have already been classified as AGNs or SFGs. We first check our SFG-AGN diagnostics with the sources with spectroscopic redshifts (spec-z sample), and then apply the AGN selection based on our method to all selected sources (all-z sample). Fig. 2 shows a flowchart of our sample selection process.

In order to ensure the reliability of the physical properties obtained from CIGALE, we also took advantage of the mock analysis of the physical properties in CIGALE, e.g., AGN contribution, SFR, etc. More information on the mock analysis is in Appendix A.

3 RESULTS

3.1 SED results of spec-z/all-z samples

We define sources with AGN contribution larger than or equal 0.2 in our work as AGNs (hereafter SED-AGNs). The most sources in our sample are classified as SFGs (hereafter SED-SFGs). We compare our SED fitting results with the spectroscopically/X-ray selected AGNs from Shim et al. (2013) and Krumpe et al. (2015). Also we compare our results with the AGN selection using another SED fitting code, Le Phare (Oi et al. submitted). Detailed discussions of these comparisons are in Sec. 4.1.

According to our definition of AGNs, we found 24 AGNs from the spec-z sample. Also, 102 AGNs are found in the photo-z sample. Therefore, there are 126 AGNs identified in this work. On average, the IR SED of typical AGNs (i.e., $2 - 10$ keV luminosity, $L_{2-10keV} \sim 10^{42} - 10^{44}$ erg s$^{-1}$) is best described as a broken power-law at $\lesssim 40$ $\mu$m that falls steeply at far-IR wavelengths (Mullaney et al. 2011). We checked the SEDs of our sample, and our classification is consistent with the description of IR SED in Mullaney et al. (2011). Fig. 3 shows examples of the SED fitting with CIGALE. Fig. 3(a) is the SED shape of an AGN in this work. Fig. 3(b) is the SED shape of a SFG in this work.

3.2 Correlation between AGN contribution and other parameters

One of the advantages of using CIGALE is that we can obtain physical properties, e.g., AGN contribution and AGN luminosity. We obtain the values of AGN contribution and AGN luminosity, and calculate the total IR luminosity of every source by using Eq. 1. We investigate whether the presence of AGNs is correlated with redshift or total IR luminosity. Fig. 4 shows AGN contribution, redshift, total IR luminosity...
Table 2. Modules and parameter values used to model the sample in CIGALE.

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**SSP (Bruzual & Charlot 2003)**

- Initial Mass Function (Salpeter 1955)
- metallicity 0.02
- separation_age 10

**Dust attenuation (Charlot & Fall 2000)**

- $\log A_{V}^{\text{ISM}}$:
  - -2, -1.7, -1.4, -1.1, -0.8, -0.5, -0.2, 0.1, 0.4, 0.7, 1
- $\mu$ 0.44
- slope $\text{ISM}^{\text{BC}}$:
  - -0.9, -0.7, -0.5
- slope $\text{BC}^{\text{ISM}}$:
  - -1.3, -1.0, -0.7

**Dust emission (Draine et al. 2013)**

- $q_{\text{PAH}}^{\text{BC}}$:
  - 0.47, 1.77, 2.50, 5.26
- $U_{\text{MIN}}^{\text{BC}}$:
  - 0.1, 1.0, 10, 50
- $\alpha$:
  - 1.0, 1.5, 2.0, 2.5, 3.0
- $\gamma$:
  - 1.0

**AGN emission (Fritz et al. 2006)**

- $R_{\text{Max}}/R_{\text{Min}}^{\text{AGN}}$ 60.0
- $\tau^{\text{AGN}}$ 0.3, 6.0
- $\beta$:
  - -0.5
- $\gamma$:
  - 4.0
- opening angle:
  - 100.0
- $\phi_{570}^{\text{BC}}$:
  - 0.001, 60.100, 89.990
- AGN contribution:
  - 0.0, 0.025, 0.05, 0.075, 0.1, 0.125, 0.15, 0.175, 0.2, 0.225, 0.25, 0.275, 0.3, 0.325, 0.35, 0.375, 0.4, 0.425, 0.45, 0.475, 0.5, 0.525, 0.55, 0.575, 0.6, 0.625, 0.65, 0.675, 0.7

and AGN luminosity of spec-z and all-z samples, individually. It is clear that when the redshift of a source is higher, the AGN contribution is higher. Also, when the total IR luminosity and AGN luminosity of a source becomes higher, the AGN contribution is also larger. However, it is not clear whether AGN contribution depends on either redshift or total IR luminosity, or both. Therefore, in the following section, we investigate these two properties separately and see if they have a correlation with AGN contribution.

### 3.2.1 AGN contribution as a function of IR luminosity

Fig. 5 shows the AGN contribution as a function of total IR luminosity in different redshift bins of the all-z sample. An average value of AGN contribution in each redshift bin is shown. We separate our sample by redshift in order to see if AGN contribution has luminosity dependence. Fig. 5 shows that the AGN contribution does not change much with the total IR luminosity at redshift between 0 and 0.5. The AGN contribution is lower when the total IR luminosity is higher at redshift $\geq$ 0.5. The reason why the trend of AGN...
Figure 4. Luminosity against redshifts of the spec-z and photo-z samples in this work. The colours of the stars and dots represent the distribution of the AGN contribution of spec-z and photo-z samples. Left panel: Total IR luminosity against redshifts of the spec-z and photo-z samples. The histogram along with x-axis is the distribution of redshift. The histogram along with y-axis is the distribution of total IR luminosity. The inset histogram is the distribution of the AGN contribution. Right panel: AGN luminosity against redshifts of the spec-z and photo-z samples. The histogram along with y-axis is the distribution of AGN luminosity.

3.2.2 AGN contribution as a function of redshift

Fig. 6 shows the AGN contribution as a function of redshift with different IR luminosity bins of the all-z sample. We found that the redshift dependence is clear. When the redshift is higher, the AGN contribution becomes higher at a fixed total IR luminosity.

Some literature discuss the relation between AGN number fraction and redshift (e.g., Chiang et al. 2019). The AGN number fraction is defined as:

$$f_{\text{AGN, num}} = \frac{N_{\text{AGN}}}{N_{\text{SFG+AGN}}}$$

where $f_{\text{AGN, num}}$ is the AGN number fraction, $N_{\text{AGN}}$ is the number of AGNs, $N_{\text{SFG+AGN}}$ is the total number of SFGs and AGNs. However, the AGN number fraction and the AGN contribution are different physical quantities. For example, it is possible that AGN number fraction is constant across the redshift, (for example ~20%) but at the same time the AGN contribution is changing across the redshift, i.e., still only 20% are AGN in number, but among these AGN, the AGN contribution is higher. The converse might be true in...
4 DISCUSSION
4.1 Reliability of CIGALE AGN Selection

In this section, we discuss our AGN definition using CIGALE, i.e., AGN contribution higher than 0.2, in comparison to spectroscopic and X-ray definitions of AGNs.

Most of the sources in the spec-z sample are already classified by the spectroscopic and Chandra X-ray surveys in Shim et al. (2013) and Krumpe et al. (2015). Some X-ray classified sources which are outside of the X-ray observation region covered by Krumpe et al. (2015) are obtained from ROSAT all sky survey (Gioia et al. 2003). Sources detected in X-rays with an X-ray luminosity of log \( L_X \geq 41.5 \) erg s\(^{-1}\) (0.5-7 keV) are classified as AGNs. Also, from the spectroscopic surveys, sources with at least one emission line of FWHM \( \geq 1000 \) km s\(^{-1}\), or if they are Seyfert 1.5 type, they are selected as AGNs. The spectroscopically or X-ray selected AGNs are described as ‘XS-AGNs’ in this regard.

Oi et al (submitted) also selected AGNs in the NEP-Wide field by using the observational data in band-merged catalogue from Kim et al. (submitted), and classified AGNs by using the Spitzer Wide-area Infrared Extragalatic (SWIRE) templates from Polletta et al. (2007) in Le Phare, which includes 16 galaxy and starburst templates and 9 AGN templates. In this regard, we describe the classification as ‘LePhare-AGN’. We compare our results for the spec-z sample with the previous classifications. Fig. 7 shows number of sources in different AGN contribution bins of the spec-z sample. Shen et al. (2020) selected AGNs by using CIGALE. They investigated 179 radio-IR galaxies drawn from a sample of spectroscopically confirmed galaxies, which are detected in radio and mid-IR in the redshift range of 0.53 \( \leq z \leq 1.30 \) in the Observations of Redshift Evolution in Large Scale Environments (ORELSE) survey. They define AGNs as AGN contribution larger than 0.1. If we apply the definition of AGN from Shen et al. (2020) to our all-z samples, there are 82 sources meeting this AGN selection criterion. We divided the distribution of AGN contribution of the spec-z sample into different bins and compare with other AGN classifications (see Fig. 7). 14% and 31% of the sources with AGN contribution between 0.1 and 0.2 are classified as XS-AGNs and LePhare-AGNs, respectively. Therefore, in this work, we adopt a stricter definition of AGN, which is a source with AGN contribution larger than 0.2.

Due to the limited survey depth from Krumpe et al. (2015), some AGNs may be missed in X-ray sources. In the case of spectroscopically selected AGNs, these are not complete since it is not possible to place a fiber on every IR-selected source due to the limited number of fibers.

In this work, we made a more strict definition of SED-AGNs. We define our SED-AGNs as sources with AGN contribution \( \geq 0.2 \). The reason why sources with AGN contribution between 0.1 and 0.2 are not defined as SED-AGNs is because 69% percent of them are not classified as XS-AGNs or LePhare-AGNs. Therefore, only sources with AGN contribution \( \geq 0.2 \) are selected as SED-AGNs. There are 24 and 102 SED-AGNs that we found in the spec-z and photo-z samples, respectively. In total, 126 SED-AGNs are found in our all-z sample.
4.2 Comparison between colour-selected AGNs and ‘SED-AGNs’

We compare our results with the AGN classifications defined by Jarrett et al. (2011) and Mateos et al. (2012). Jarrett et al. (2011) and Mateos et al. (2012) used *WISE* colours to classify AGNs. In Fig. 8, the red box is the ‘AGN’ region defined in Jarrett et al. (2011), encompassing quasars (QSOs) and Seyfert galaxies. However, inside the *WISE* colour box in both figures, there are still many SED-AGNs. Furthermore, many XS-AGNs are outside the *WISE* colour box. Recently, Assef et al. (2018) released catalogues of two AGN candidates, R90 catalogue and C75 catalogue, from the *WISE* ALLWISE Data Release based on the W1 and W2 colour-magnitude selection. Both catalogues are selected purely using the *WISE* W1 and W2 bands (see Equation 4 and 5 in Assef et al. (2018)). The R90 catalogue consists of 4,543,530 AGN candidates with 90% reliability, while the C75 catalogue consists of 20,907,127 AGN candidates with 75% completeness. These reliability and completeness figures were determined from a detailed analysis of UV- to near-IR spectral energy distributions of 105 sources in the 9 deg² Boötes field. To examine whether the AGN classifications defined by Jarrett et al. (2011) and Mateos et al. (2012) match the two AGN catalogues from Assef et al. (2018), we overplot the two AGN catalogues and compare with our SED fitting result in Fig. 8. The grey and blue contours in Fig. 8 are the distribution of AGNs in the R90 and *WISE* C75 AGN catalogues. Even R90 catalogue is with 90% reliability and C75 catalogue is with 75% completeness, not all the AGNs are selected by the two AGN boxes. Also, not all the SED-AGNs in our all-z sample are selected by the two AGN boxes. This shows the limitation in selecting AGNs only using two bands, W1 and W2. In our work, we use at most 36 bands, including 17 in mid-IR, allowing us more sophisticated AGN selection through the advanced SED fitting.

Lee et al. (2007) used AKARI colours to classify AGNs. Sources with AKARI S7-S11 > 0 mag and N2-N4 > 0 mag are defined as AGNs. In Fig. 9, we compare our results with Lee et al. (2007). The red-lined box is the AGN criteria from Lee et al. (2007). The black circles are the XS-AGNs. In terms of AKARI S7-S11 colour the AGN criteria box is mostly consistent with our SED AGN selection. However, in terms of AKARI N2-N4 colour, there are still many AGNs outside of the colour range.

The reason why there some AGNs outside the region satisfying the AGN selection criteria (Jarrett et al. 2011; Mateos et al. 2012; Lee et al. 2007) is because those authors proposed the criteria on the basis of a compromise between the completeness and the reliability of AGN selection. If simple completeness (i.e., to identify more AGNs) is increased, the reliability of the selection criteria would decreased because of contamination.

Also, there are many SED-SFGs inside the *WISE* colour box and AKARI colour boxes. We checked the SEDs of some SED-SFGs which are inside all of the colour-colour boxes. These objects do not have obvious AGN power law features but have PAH emission feature peaks. Therefore, these sources are more likely to be SFGs (see Fig. 10). This may imply that we may encounter more difficulties when we identify SFGs and AGNs using colour-colour diagrams.

Since colours are often affected by redshifts, we plot the *WISE* colour-colour diagram with redshift. Fig. 11 shows the redshift distribution of the sources in the *WISE* colour-colour diagram. There are many high-z SED-SFGs inside the AGN criteria boxes. On the other hand, there are many low-z SED-AGNs outside the AGN criteria boxes. This result may imply that we may fail to detect low-z AGNs if we use colour-colour diagrams.

4.3 AGN number fraction

To test theories of galaxy-SMBH co-evolution and to detect the sources of the observed IR and hard X-ray backgrounds, the AGN number fraction is crucial (Rovilos et al. 2014; Shi et al. 2013). We plot our SED-AGN number fraction as a function of total IR luminosity and redshift and compare our results with Chiang et al. (2019). Chiang et al. (2019) used Le Phare to select AGNs in the NEP Wide field with 18 IR bands of data, including AKARI’s 9 passbands, *WISE* 1-4, *Spitzer* IRAC 1-4 and MIPS 1 photometry. Their results indicate that AGN number fraction seems to show stronger IR luminosity dependence than redshift dependence. They also examined the fractions of SFGs and found mild decreasing trends at high IR luminosities. Fig. 12 shows AGN number fraction as a function of total IR luminosity. There is no clear relation between AGN number fraction and total IR luminosity at a fixed redshift. Fig. 13 shows AGN number fraction as a function of redshift. With the increasing redshift, the AGN number fraction becomes higher at a fixed luminosity.

Our results show the opposite conclusion from Chiang et al. (2019). We attempt to propose some possibilities regarding this discrepancy. We argue the differences between our results and Chiang et al. (2019) are mainly due to different sample selection and different SED-fitting tech-
Figure 9. The AKARI colour-colour diagram of the all-z sample. The upper right green-lined box is the AGN selected from Lee et al. (2007). The light purple dots are the all-z sample. The dark purple circles are XS-AGNs. The dark purple, blue, orange and red crosses are $0.2 \leq f_{\text{AGN IR}} < 0.3$, $0.3 \leq f_{\text{AGN IR}} < 0.4$, $0.4 \leq f_{\text{AGN IR}} < 0.5$ and $f_{\text{AGN IR}} \geq 0.5$, respectively.

Figure 10. An example SED fitting result from CIGALE. ID = 132475 is more likely to be an SFG than an AGN.

Figure 11. The WISE colour-colour diagram of the all-z sample. The red-lined box is the AGN criteria from Jarrett et al. (2011). The green-lined box is the AGN criteria from Mateos et al. (2012). The coloured dots are the SED-SFGs. The coloured stars are the SED-AGNs. The different colours of stars and dots represent different redshifts.

Figure 12. AGN number fraction as a function of total IR luminosity in the all-z sample. Purple triangles are the $0 \leq z < 0.25$ bin. Blue squares are the $0.25 \leq z < 0.5$ bin. Green crosses are the $0.5 \leq z < 1$ bin. Orange diamonds are the $1 \leq z < 1.5$ bin. Pink circles are the $1.5 \leq z < 2$ bin. Red circles are the $z \geq 2$ bin.

4.4 Extremely luminous sources

Galaxies with IR luminosity exceeding $10^{13} L_\odot$ are termed hyper luminous IR galaxies (HyLIRGs; Rowan-Robinson...
HyLIRGs are very rare populations in the local universe. However their relative abundance in galaxies is much higher at higher redshift. In addition, those luminous galaxies often show significantly higher SF and/or AGN activity (e.g., Fan et al. 2016; Toba et al. 2018; Wu et al. 2018; Toba et al. 2020a), which would suggest that they correspond to the maximum phase in the growth history of galaxies. Therefore, it is important to search for IR luminous galaxies such as HyLIRGs in order to better understand the galaxy formation and evolution and connection to their SMBHs. There are 147 HyLIRGs that we found in our all-z sample. Among these HyLIRGs, we found two SED-AGNs with high SFR (> $2.5 \times 10^4$ $M_\odot$yr$^{-1}$). We checked the optical and IR images of the sources. Fig. 14 and Fig. 15 shows the Subaru HSC i, z, Y and AKARI N2, N3 images. Their spectra is in Fig. 16. Both sources show very strong emission in both optical and IR wavelengths. We report that these two objects are QSOs since they are point sources of high luminosity and redshift. Both sources are spectroscopically classified as Type-1 AGNs (Shim et al. 2013). With our SED-fitting method, we are able to find QSOs. The physical properties of the extremely luminous sources are summarised in Table 3.

We also checked the V-band attenuation in the ISM, $A_V^{ISM}$ of the HyLIRGs. We found that the average $A_V^{ISM}$ output by CIGALE for objects with ID=133652 and ID=134015 are about 0.32 and 1.26, respectively. This indicates that the HyLIRG with ID=134015 is more affected by dust extinction, and thus it may be a highly obscured HyLIRG at z = 1.9. But, if the object with ID=134015 is affected by strong lensing, its IR luminosity should be boosted. In general, we need a high spatial resolution (< 0.1") image to justify the claim of a lensing effect. Therefore, we still need to consider other possibilities to explain why this object has a large IR luminosity. Furthermore, the SFR of the HYLIRG with ID=133652 obtained from CIGALE is very high. We checked the relation between the IR luminosity and SFR from Kennicutt (1998):$$SFR_{Kennicutt}(M_\odot yr^{-1}) = 4.5 \times 10^{-44} L_{IR}(\text{ergs}\text{-}^{-1}). \quad (3)$$

The IR luminosity in Kennicutt (1998) is defined as the luminosity integrated from 8 to 1000 $\mu$m. We define the IR luminosity as dust luminosity from Draine et al. (2013) in CIGALE, which is similar to $L_{IR}$ defined in Kennicutt (1998). Then we derive the SFR from Eq. 3 and check if it is consistent with the SFR we obtained from CIGALE. The SFR of ID=133652 derived from Kennicutt (1998) is $7.1^{+1.2}_{-0.4} \times 10^4$ $M_\odot$yr$^{-1}$. The SFR of ID=133652 obtained from CIGALE is $1.0^{+0.4}_{-0.3} \times 10^4$ $M_\odot$yr$^{-1}$. The difference of SFR from Kennicutt (1998) and CIGALE is ~ 30 percent, which seems to be large. However, the observational uncertainty of Herschel/SPire PSW (250$\mu$m) of ID=133652 is also large (~ 19%). Therefore, if we take it into account, it is reasonable for the ID=133652 to have such a large SFR from CIGALE.

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**Figure 13.** AGN number fraction as a function of redshift in the all-z sample. The purple triangles are the log $L_{TIR}$ < 9 bin. The blue squares are the 9 ≤ log $L_{TIR}$ < 10 bin. The green crosses are the 10 ≤ log $L_{TIR}$ < 11 bin. The orange diamonds are the 11 ≤ log $L_{TIR}$ < 12 bin. Red circles are the log $L_{TIR}$ ≥ 12 bin.

**Table 3.** Physical properties of the extremely luminous sources.

**5 CONCLUSIONS**

We used the unique AKARI NEP-Wide sample with 36 photometric bands to perform CIGALE SED fitting and select AGNs. We define the AGN as sources with AGN contribution larger than 0.2 in this work. With this definition, we found 126 AGNS. We also found that traditional colour selection criteria could miss low-z AGNs. Furthermore, we investigate the HyLIRGs in our sample and found, at least, 2 QSOs. We extended the SED analysis of AKARI sources to the entire NEP-Wide field. Based on the SED fitting results performed with CIGALE, we found that AGN contribution may be more dependent on redshift than total IR luminosity. However, we do not find any clear correlation between AGN contribution and total IR luminosity in contrast to Chiang et al. (2019). This is probably due to the different sample selection criteria, and a more sophisticated SED fitting method used in this work. More high-z sources are needed in order to confirm whether AGN contribution still depends on redshift at a fixed IR luminosity. Therefore, we expect future deep IR surveys, i.e. James Webb Space Telescope, can help us reveal this relation.

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**Figure 14.** Images of ID=133652. The redshift of the source is 3.363, and its AGN contribution is 0.25 ± 0.06. The SFR is \(1.0^{+0.4}_{-0.4} \times 10^8\) M\(_{\odot}\)yr\(^{-1}\). The total IR luminosity is \(9.03^{+1.30}_{-1.14} \times 10^{11}\) L\(_{\odot}\). The centre of the green circle is the AKARI’s coordinate. The radius of a green circle of 133652 is 10\(^{\circ}\).

**Figure 15.** Images of ID=134015. The redshift of the source is 1.943, and its AGN contribution is 0.21 ± 0.02. The SFR is \(2.6^{+0.2}_{-0.3} \times 10^3\) M\(_{\odot}\)yr\(^{-1}\). The total IR luminosity is \(2.48^{+2.13}_{-1.0} \times 10^{13}\) L\(_{\odot}\). The centre of the green circle is the AKARI’s coordinate. The radius of a green circle of 134015 is 5\(^{\circ}\).

**Figure 16.** Spectra of 2 QSOs identified by SED fitting in this work. (a) Spectrum of ID=133652. (b) Spectrum of ID=134015.

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**DATA AVAILABILITY**

The data is available upon request.

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APPENDIX A: MOCK ANALYSIS IN CIGALE

One feature of CIGALE is the possibility to assess whether or not physical properties can actually be estimated in a reliable way through the analysis of a mock catalogue. The idea is to compare the physical properties of the mock catalogue, which are known exactly, to the estimates from the analysis of the likelihood distribution. In CIGALE, best fitting is considered for each object and an artificial catalogue is built based on the best fitting. Then, noise is injected into the fluxes of this new catalogue to simulate new observations. Each quantity is modified by adding a value taken from a Gaussian distribution with the same standard deviation as the uncertainty on the observation. This mock catalogue is then analysed in the exact same way as the original observations. Physical properties for which the exact and estimated values are similar can be estimated reliably.

Fig. A1 shows the comparison of the original value of the AGN contribution from CIGALE and estimated AGN contribution from mock analysis. The coefficient of determination is 0.91. Fig. A2 shows the comparison of the original value of the SFR from CIGALE and estimated SFR from mock analysis. The coefficient of determination is 1.00. The mock analysis of the physical properties (i.e., AGN contribution, SFR) shows that our SED fitting results are reliable.
Figure A1. Comparison of exact output AGN contribution from CIGALE and estimated AGN contribution from mock analysis of the spec-z sample. The blue line is the 1-to-1 relation line. The red line is the linear regression fit. The coefficient of determination is 0.91.

Figure A2. Comparison of exact output SFR from CIGALE and estimated SFR from mock analysis of the spec-z sample. The blue line is the 1-to-1 relation line. The red line is the linear regression fit. The coefficient of determination is 1.00. In order to show the clear relation, two of the sources are not shown in the figure. The two sources are ID=133652 and ID=134015, with SFR$=1.0^{+0.4}_{-0.3}\times10^4 \, M_{\odot} \, yr^{-1}$ and SFR$=2.6^{+0.3}_{-0.2}\times10^3 \, M_{\odot} \, yr^{-1}$, respectively.