# XMM 20th anniversary: Galaxy Clusters Structure and Feedback

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# Why Galaxy Clusters ?



- Clusters as cosmological probes: structure formation and cosmological parameters estimate (next talk by M. Arnaud)
- Clusters as astrophysical laboratories: structure formation, chemical enrichment, DM properties, plasma physics

# Clusters of galaxies



- They form at the intersection of the cosmic web
- The greatest structures to decouple from the Hubble flow
- Dimension of the order of the Mpc
- Masses 10<sup>14</sup>-10<sup>15</sup> M<sub>sun</sub> (75-90% Dark Matter)

# The intracluster medium (ICM)

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X-ray image of the Coma cluster

#### Intracluster medium (ICM)



- Hot with temperatures
   10<sup>7</sup>-10<sup>8</sup> K o 1-10 keV)
- Low density (10<sup>-2</sup>-10<sup>-4</sup> particles/cm<sup>3</sup>)
- Mainly H and He completely ionized.
  Chemically enriched with heavy elements (C, O, Si, Fe)
- Dominant baryonic component
- Bremsstrahlung: n<sup>2</sup>
   dependence



#### Glossary



#### Credits: B. Maughan

If only gravity works, clusters of different masses are scaled versions of each other and we expect power-laws relations between observables (L, T, etc.) and mass (Kaiser 86)





 Great debate untile the early 2000s: there was evidence of cool temperatures in the center of the peaked surface brightness clusters with cooling times smaller than the Hubble time



"In the absence of heating a cooling flow must occur". Cooling flow rates could be 10<sup>2</sup>-10 M/yr. Only smaller fraction (few %) of all this gas was found at various wavelengths





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Peterson+03

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#### AGN feedback in the ICM

 Feedback from the central supermassive BH by means of cavities mechanically inflated by its radio jets, weak shocks and possibly turbulence is the way to balance cooling and heating



**Perseus Sanders+07** 

MS 0735+7241 McNamara+05

Hlavacek-Larrondo+15

#### AGN feedback in the ICM

 AGN feedback has broad astrophysical implications for galaxy formation, explaining the truncation of the high end of the luminosity function, the symbiosis of BHs and stellar and gaseous halos





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#### 2. Shape of temperature profiles

 Conflicting evidence with SAX and ASCA data: isothermal or declining at large radii ?



## 2. Shape of temperature profiles

 XMM (and Chandra) definitively settled the issue. Temperature declines in agreement with numerical simulations (simpler physics in external regions)



# 3. Entropy profiles

• Entropy,  $S=kT/n_e^{2/3}$ , is a key quantity related to non-gravitational feedback. Its radial profiles in objects of different masses reveals the details of the various astrophysical processes

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# 3. Entropy profiles

 In the REXCESS sample of 31 objects, XMM measurements allowed to show a radial and mass dependent excess entropy.





# 3. Entropy profiles

 When rescaled by the f<sub>gas</sub> entropy profiles have a much reduced scatter in close agreement with gravity-only prediction.



## 4. Reaching the outskirts



XCOP sample specifically designed to reach r<sub>200</sub>

#### Ghirardini+19

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Eckert+19

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De Plaa+17 CHEERS sample

• Abundances and metal distribution in the ICM encode the history of chemical enrichment of the Universe ...



De Plaa+17

#### • ...and the process of transport of metals from galaxies to the ICM



#### AGN feedback: Simionescu+08

#### Galactic winds: M82 starbust





# Galaxy-galaxy interaction



#### Ram pressure stripping

• Clusters have uniform abundances almost over their entire volume



Leccardi+08

Mernier+18

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• Clusters have uniform abundances over their entire history





Mernier+18

Ettori+15

 Chemical enrichment of clusters happened early (z >2) with metals expelled from galaxy winds with the necessary help of AGN feedback.





## The future with XMM is happening now

An XMM Heritage program: 3Ms of XMM time to observe 118 clusters

- Witnessing the culmination of structure formation in the Universe (co-PIs: Arnaud & Ettori) providing an unbiased census of
- The local population of clusters (z < 0.2)
- The most massive objects in the Universe



#### Bonus feature: velocity field !











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