Clusters and the X-ray Connection

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X-ray / radio connection : cluster thermo-dynamical history

Complementary information on

- AGN feedback
 - in center the CF pb
 - at large scale ?
 the entropy excess
 see R.Dunn & M.Wise this conf
- The dynamics of cluster (hierarchical) formation (this presentation)

see e.g. reviews by L. Feretti, 04,05



Fabian et al, 00, 02



Feretti, 05 adapted from Feretti et al, 01 ; Röttgering et al, 97

X-ray/radio thermal and non-thermal components



X-ray thermal - diffuse ⇒ Hot plasma (T~2-10 keV) Main baryonic component VLA 1.4GHz Clarke & Ensslin, 01



Radio synchrotron - diffuse - steep ($\alpha > 1$) \Rightarrow Relativistic electrons (~1-100 Gev) \Rightarrow Magnetic Field (0.1 - 1 μ G)

IC e- on CMB \Rightarrow Non thermal X-ray emission

Origin and acceleration of the relativistic electrons?



Ritchie & Thomas, 02

Cluster hierarchical formation => Shocks (heat the gas at T_{virial})

- Radio halos/relics detected in un-relaxed (merger) clusters only
- Problem: ~Mpc size but t_{life} ~10⁷ 10⁸ years << $t_{diffusion}$

⇒ Recent creation or (re) acceleration by a mechanism at cluster scale

Several Models - Thermal electrons accelerated by shocks /turbulence

- Non thermal electrons (from above or from AGN/Winds) re-accelerated
- Secondary electrons from inelastic collisions of NT protons with ICM

Why study the NT cluster component?

- Non thermal e- creation and acceleration mechanism not understood!
- Diagnostic information on the hierarchical formation process
 - ⇒ probe the *physics* of merger events (shocks, turbulence, redistribution of energy ...)
 - ⇒ probe the ICM *magnetic field*
 - ⇒ tracer of merger/formation *history*
- Possible impact on cosmological parameters estimate (from N(M) or f_{gas})
 - \Rightarrow May contribute to the overall pressure
 - \Rightarrow Mass > estimated from HE Eq. and $\ \mathsf{P}_{\mathsf{therm}} \,\mathsf{only}$

Need (new LOFAR) radio observations combined with X-ray information



Radio- X-ray comparison for individual clusters (I)



Constraints on models

density (radio maps) and energy (radio spectra) distribution of NT electrons

compared to that of

thermal electrons (X-ray)

Probably mostly acceleration by turbulence

Radio-X-ray comparison for individual clusters (II)



Strong(er) constraints given by spectral index maps

Flattening in region affected by merger No connection to the (weak M ~2) shock \Rightarrow re-acceleration by turbulence

 \Rightarrow mergers do supply energy to radio halo

Extend to much larger cluster samples

Radio map (α / S_{rad}) sensitive multi v imaging LOFAR

X-ray map (ne/kT/P/S) spatially resolved specroscopy XMM/Chandra

versus

Radio- NT X-ray comparison for individual clusters

Clarke & Ensslin, 01



Radio synchrotron emission: ⇒ degenerate information on B, NT e-

Faraday Rotation (B, Te-) \Rightarrow B in few directions

Polarisation



Combined with Hard X-ray = IC (NT e-) \Rightarrow break the degeneracy

 \Rightarrow compl. info on e- spectra

No imaging capability of XTE/Beppo-SAX

- \Rightarrow Global spectrum
- \Rightarrow Low S/N and ambigous





Unique spectro-imaging capabilities up to high energies (80 keV)

unambiguously measure the IC emission (or provide tight upper limits).



particularly powerful for study of radio relics IC emission



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Statistical studies (I): correlations with global properties



Open questions:

- Do all clusters with a recent merger have halos/relic?
- Do ALL clusters have a radio halo ?
- What is the most relevant X-ray quantity and what is the slope/dispersion/evolution of the correlations ⇒ quantitative test of models

We need:

- X-ray data: exist (XMM/chandra follow-up of ROSAT samples; XMM serendipitous surveys)
- Much higher sensitivity radio survey/ follow-up: LOFAR

Statistical studies (II): correlations with dynamical state



Correlation with departure from relaxation



High z clusters are dynamically younger (as expected in hierarchical scenario)

The frequency/properties of radio halos is expected to evolve with z ... a test of structure formation and merger physics

also combination with SZ (Planck) data

CONCLUSION

- Detailed combined X-ray/radio spectro imagery
 - \Rightarrow Physics of hierarchical cluster formation

(shocks, turbulence, particles acceleration, B amplification etc...)

- \Rightarrow LOFAR (adapted to cluster steep spectrum)
 - + XMM/Chandra
 - + SIMBOL-X hard X-ray particularly interesting!

well matched spatial resolution

- Discovery of new relics/halos and statistical properties (correlation with X-ray/SZ) and evolution with z
 - \Rightarrow again constraints on model PLUS tracer of cluster formation

LOFAR: key 'survey' capability ! + XMM (unbiased samples, XCS, follow-up) + Planck