Cosmic ray feedback in hydrodynamical simulations of galaxy and cluster formation

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Outline

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 - Enhanced X-ray emission
 - Modified Sunyaev-Zel'dovic effect



Cosmic rays in galaxies and clusters Cosmic rays in GADGET

M51: cosmic ray electron population







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Observations of cluster shock waves



1E 0657-56 ("Bullet cluster")

(NASA/SAO/CXC/M.Markevitch et al.)



Abell 3667

(Radio: Austr.TC Array. X-ray: ROSAT/PSPC.)



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Radiative simulations – flowchart





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Radiative simulations with cosmic rays



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Philosophy and description

An accurate description of CRs should follow the evolution of the spectral energy distribution of CRs as a function of time and space, and keep track of their dynamical, non-linear coupling with the hydrodynamics.

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- capturing as many physical properties as possible
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Assumptions:

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Thermal & CR energy spectra

Kinetic energy per logarithmic momentum interval:





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Cosmic rays and galaxy formation



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Isolated galaxies – projections

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x [h^{·1}kpc]



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 $10^{11} M_{\odot}$





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x [h⁻¹ kpc]

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Isolated galaxies – stellar profiles

 $10^{10} M_{\odot}$



 $10^{11} M_{\odot}$

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Isolated galaxies – star formation history

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Effective equation of state

Supernova heating balances cooling





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Effective equation of state & phase space distribution



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Quenching of dwarf galaxies

Star formation efficiency suppressed in small halos:





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Quenching of small galaxies



Radiative cluster simulations Enhanced X-ray emission Modified SZ effect

Cosmic rays in galaxy clusters



Diffusive shock acceleration – Fermi 1 mechanism

Cosmic rays gain energy $\Delta E/E \propto v_1 - v_2$ through bouncing back and forth the shock front. Accounting for the loss probability $\propto v_2$ of particles leaving the shock downstream leads to power-law CR population.



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Radiative cluster simulation: gas density



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Mass weighted temperature



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Mach number distribution weighted by ε_{diss}



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Relative CR pressure P_{CR}/P_{total}



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Thermal X-ray emission



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Difference map of S_X : $S_{X,CR} - S_{X,th}$



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Softer effective adiabatic index of composite gas





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Compton y parameter in radiative cluster simulation



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Compton y difference map: y_{CR} - y_{th}



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Pressure profiles with and without CRs





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Phase-space diagram of radiative cluster simulation



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Summary

- Galaxy evolution: CRs significantly reduce the star formation efficiency in small galaxies.
- Galaxy cluster X-ray emission is enhanced up to 35%, predominantly in low-mass cooling core clusters.
- Integrated Sunyaev-Zel'dovich effect remains largely unchanged while the Compton-y profile is more peaked.
- Understanding non-thermal processes is crucial for using clusters as cosmological probes (high-*z* scaling relations).
- Outlook
 - Huge potential and predictive power of cosmological CR simulations → provides detailed γ-ray/radio emission maps
 - Galaxy evolution: CRs might influence energetic feedback, galactic winds, and disk galaxy formation



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