

Cosmological Simulations of Galaxy Clusters

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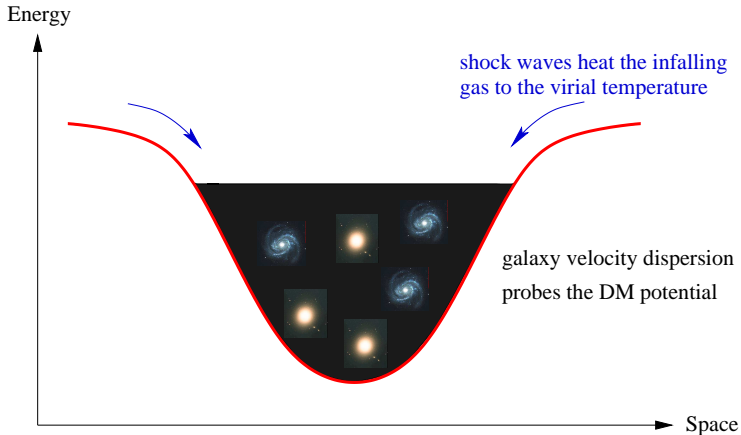
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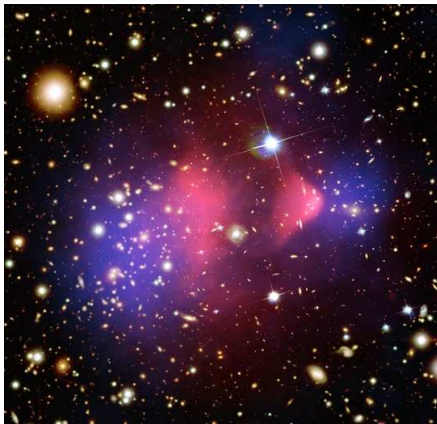


A theorist's perspective of a galaxy cluster . . .

Galaxy clusters are dynamically evolving dark matter potential wells:

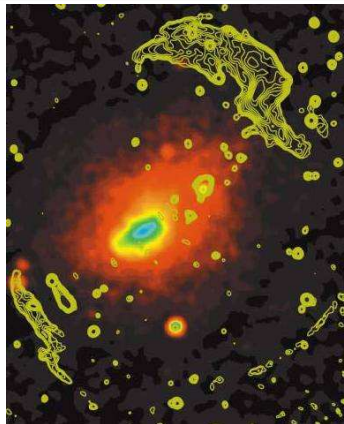


... and how the observer's Universe looks like



1E 0657-56 ("Bullet cluster")

(X-ray: NASA/CXC/CfA/M.Markevitch et al.; Optical: NASA/STScI; Magellan/U.Arizona/D.Clowe et al.; Lensing: NASA/STScI; ESO WFI; Magellan/U.Arizona/D.Clowe et al.)



Abell 3667

(radio: Johnston-Hollitt. X-ray: ROSAT/PSPC.)

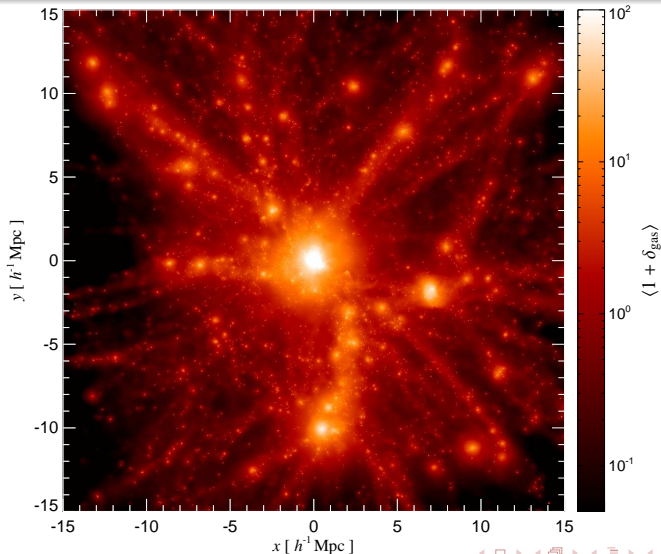
Galaxy clusters at the crossroads of astrophysics and cosmology

Metal enrichment as tracer of feedback processes

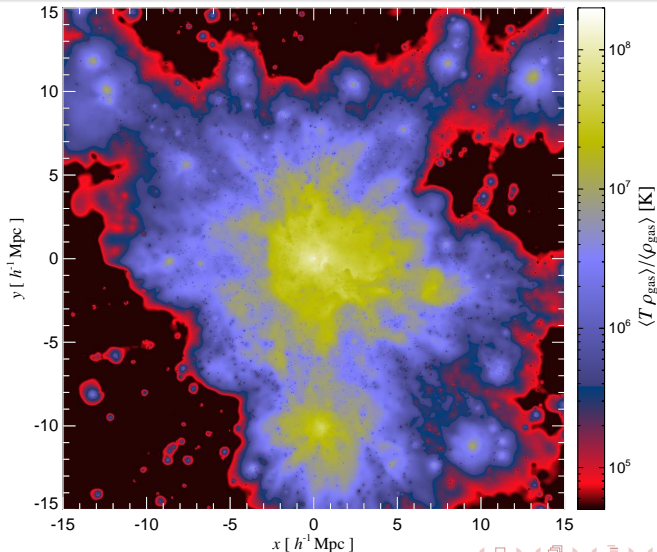
- clusters form at the intersection of the filamentary cosmic web: **groups and (proto-)clusters harbour the most energetic cosmic beacons**, which feedback to the surrounding IGM by galactic winds/AGN
- **highly inhomogeneous enrichment of the primordial gas** by metals, magnetic fields, cosmic rays; high-density peaks (proto-clusters) enrich earlier than low-density regions
- **advective/turbulent transport adds complexity** to the low-redshift metallicity observables
- understanding the **map from initial to final distribution** unveils
 - formation, evolution, and astrophysics of galaxy clusters
 - supermassive black holes
 - turbulence and plasma instabilities
 - magnetic fields and (ultra high-energy) cosmic rays



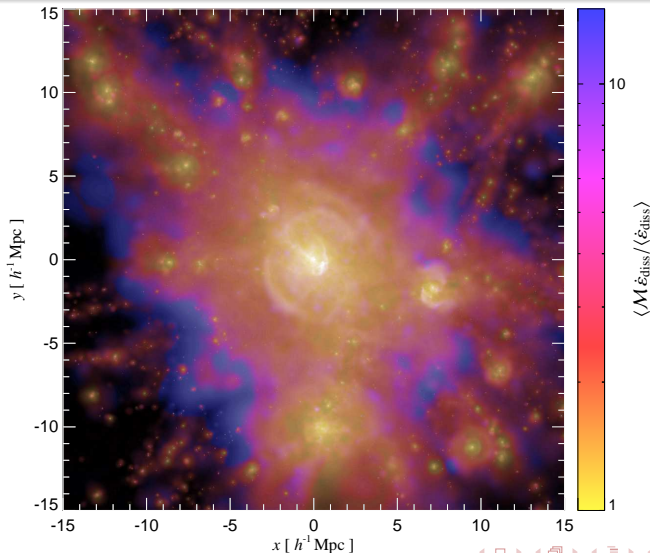
Radiative cool core cluster simulation: gas density



Mass weighted temperature



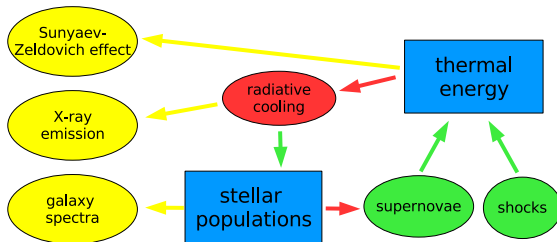
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Radiative simulations – flowchart

Cluster observables:

Physical processes in clusters:



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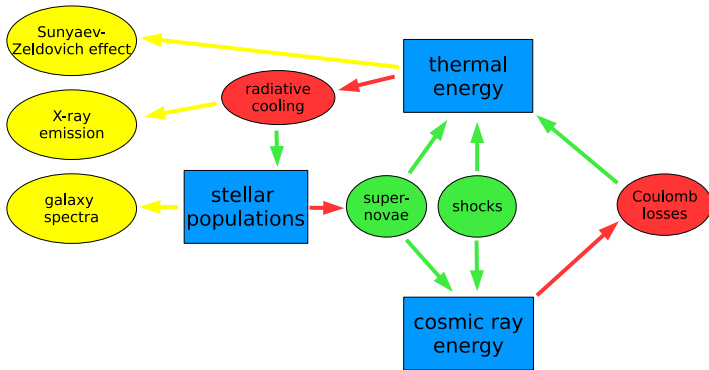
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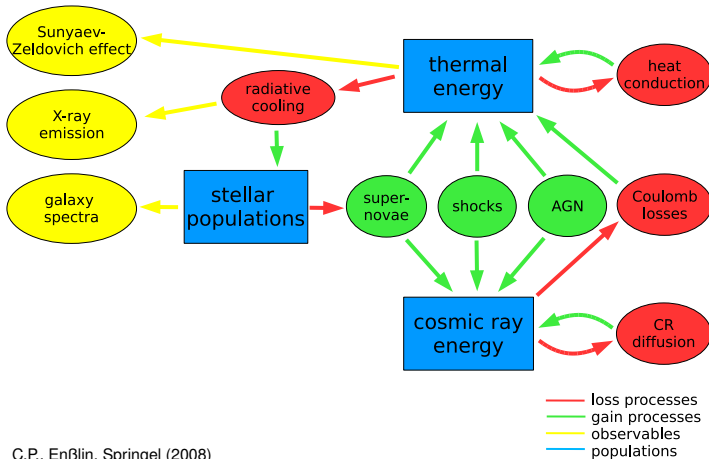
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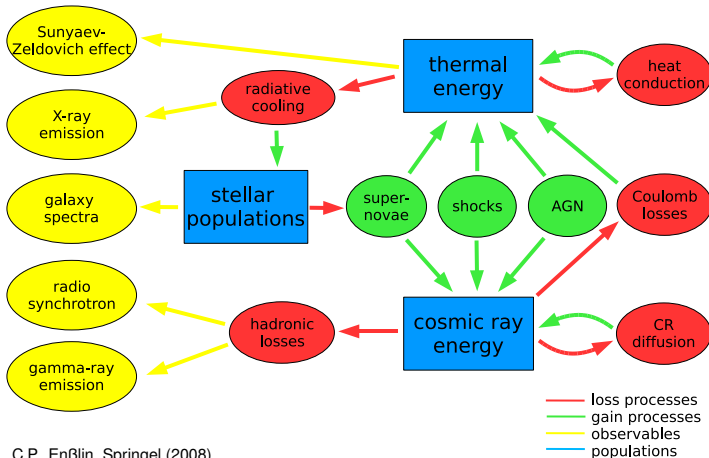


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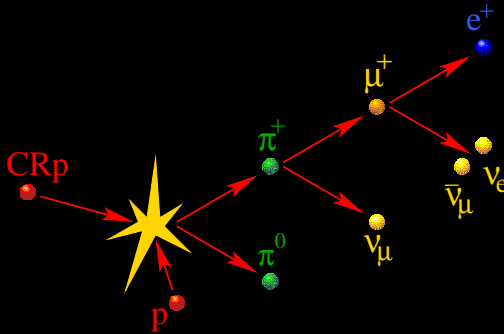
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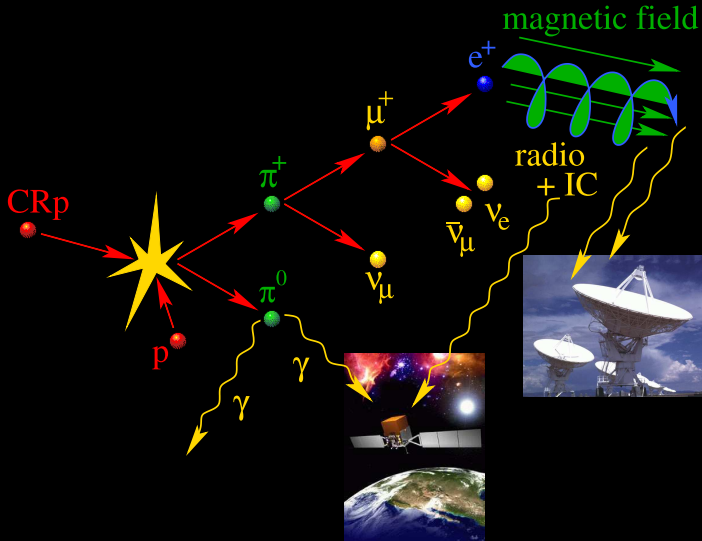


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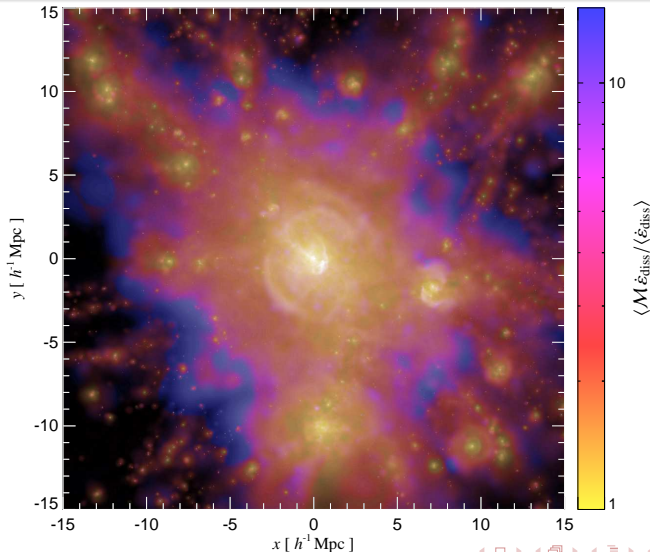
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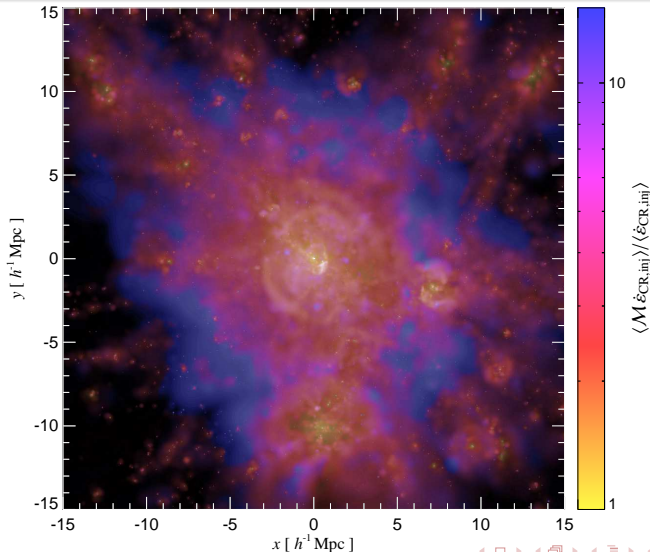
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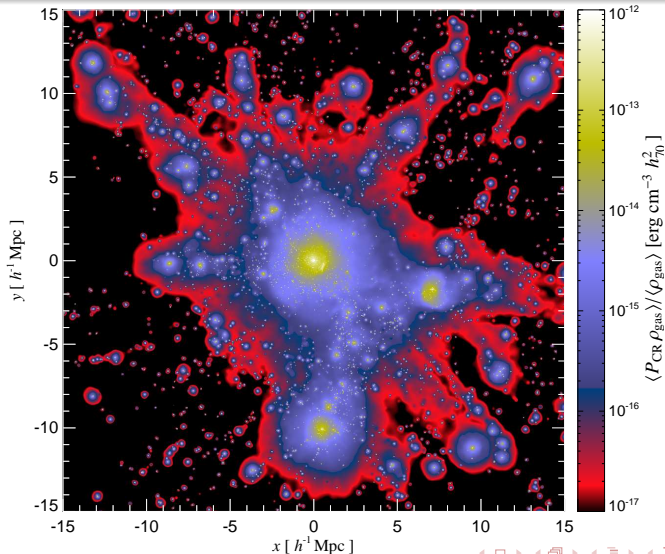
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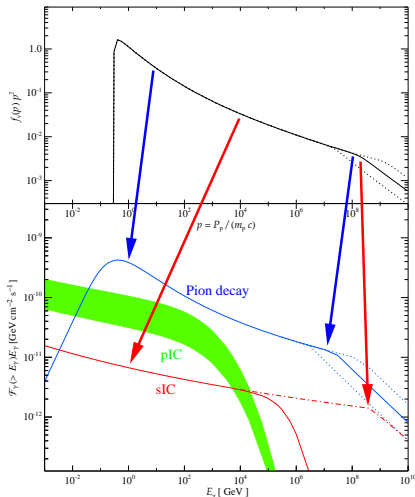
Mach number distribution weighted by $\varepsilon_{\text{CR},\text{inj}}$



CR pressure P_{CR}



CR proton and γ -ray spectrum (Pinzke & CP 2009)

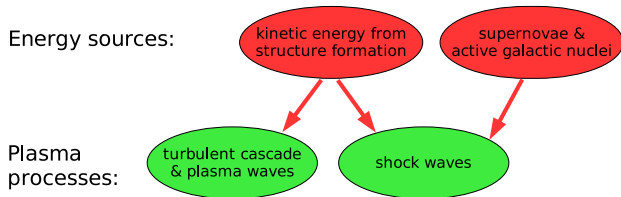


- normalized CR spectrum shows universal concave shape \rightarrow governed mainly by hierarchical structure formation and adiabatic CR transport processes
- concave shape imprinted on dominating pion-decay γ -ray spectrum (blue)
- primary IC emission from shock-accelerated electrons (green) and secondary IC emission (red) subdominant



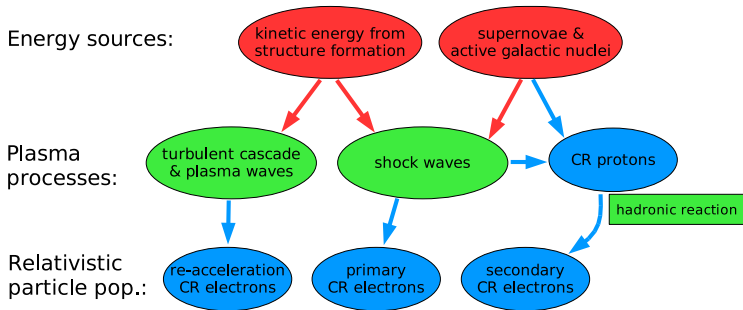
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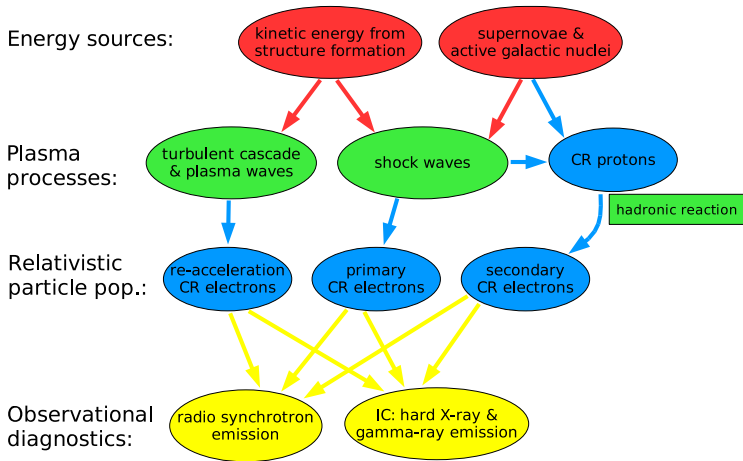
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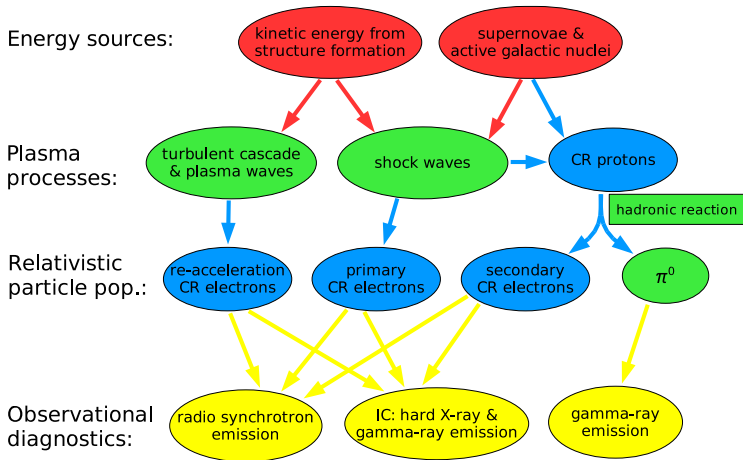
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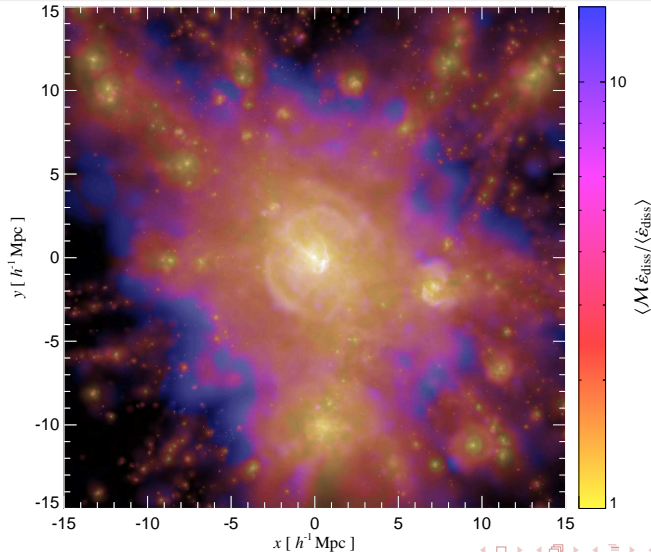


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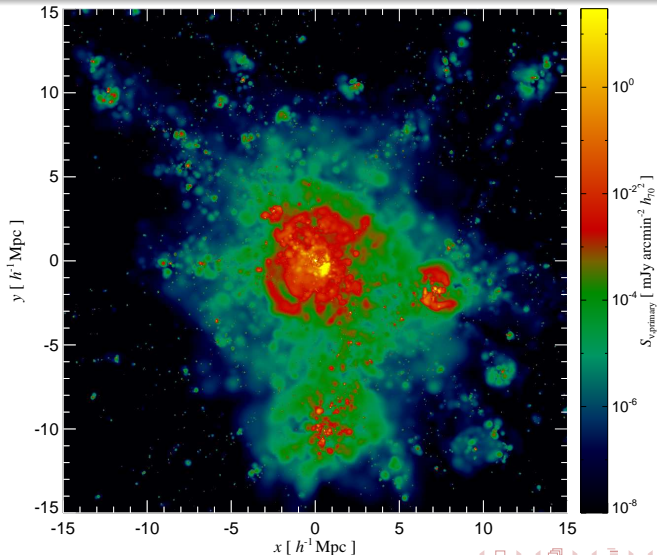
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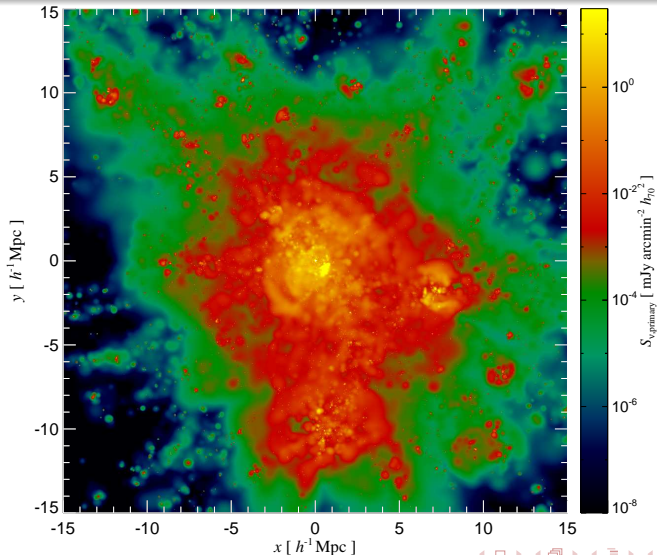
Cosmic web: Mach number



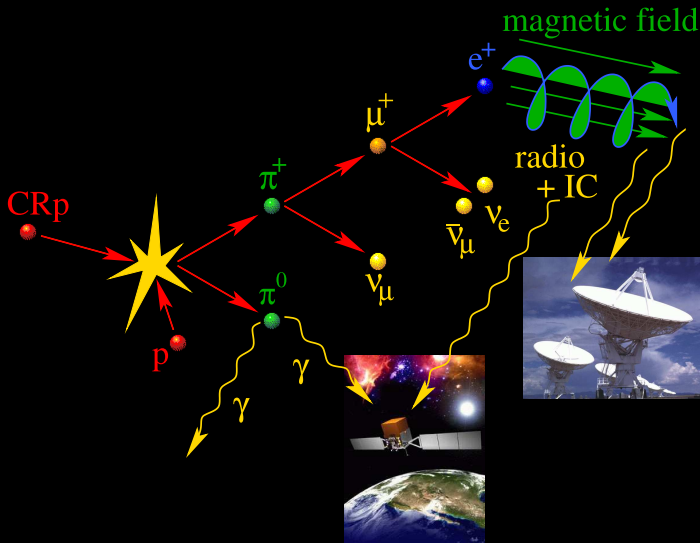
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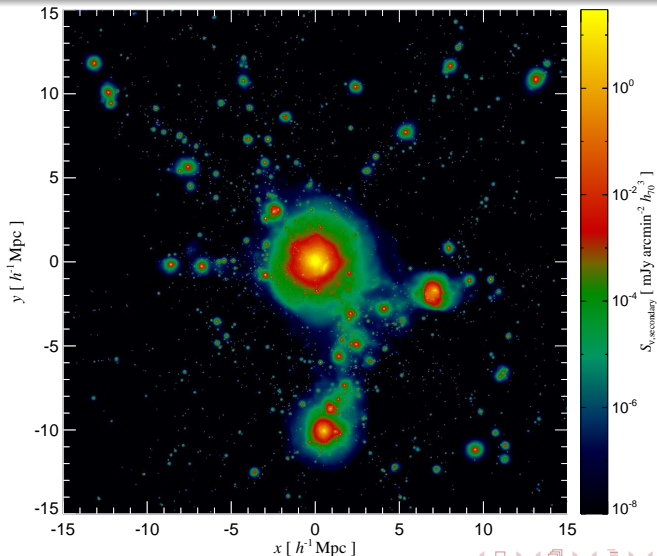
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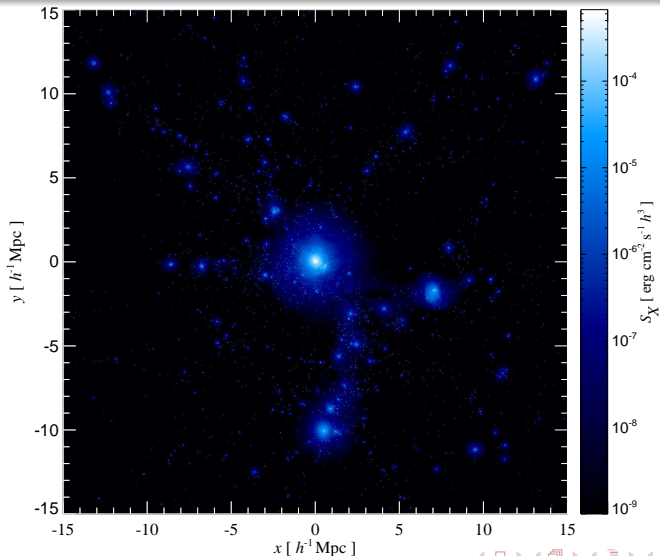
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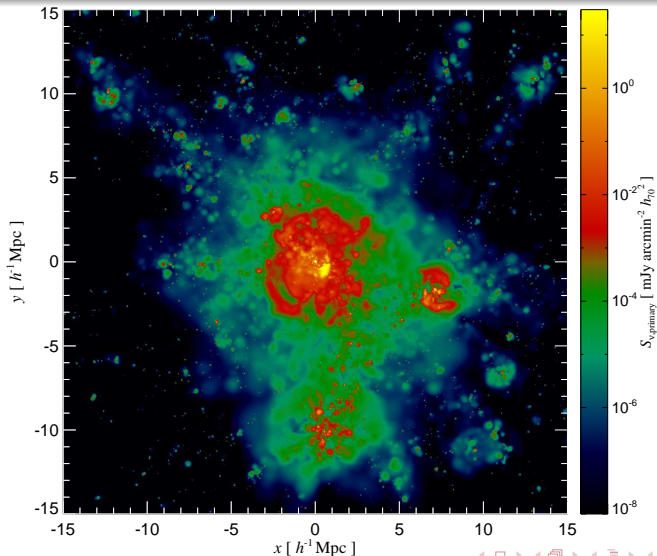
Cluster radio emission by hadronically produced CRe



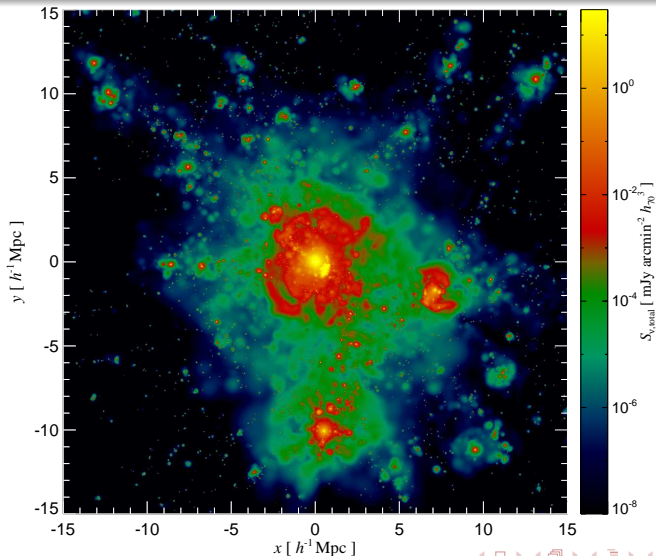
Thermal X-ray emission



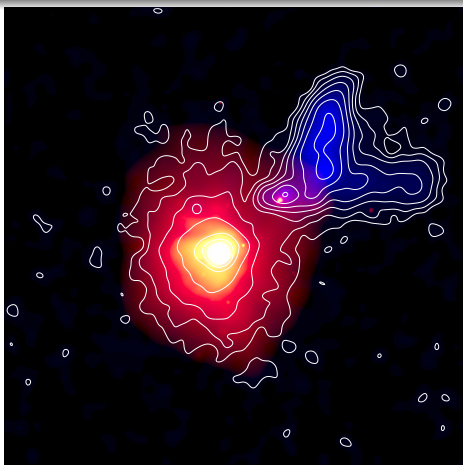
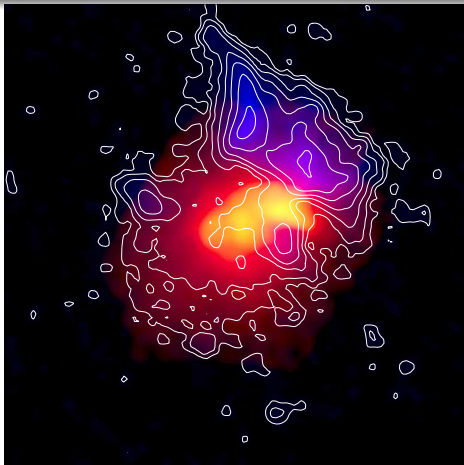
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Radio gischt + central hadronic halo = giant radio halo

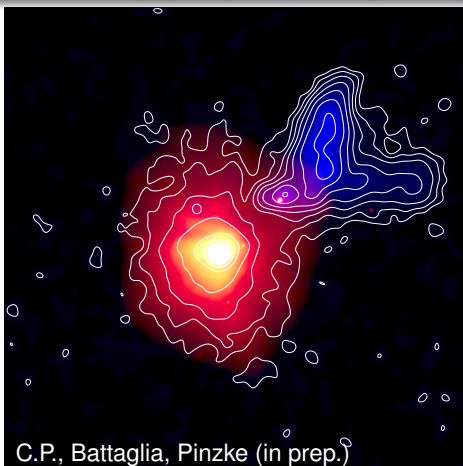
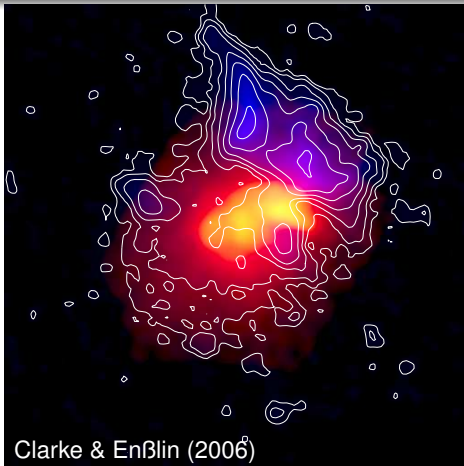


Which one is the simulation/observation of A2256?



red/yellow: thermal X-ray emission,
blue/contours: 1.4 GHz radio emission with giant radio halo and relic

Observation – simulation of A2256



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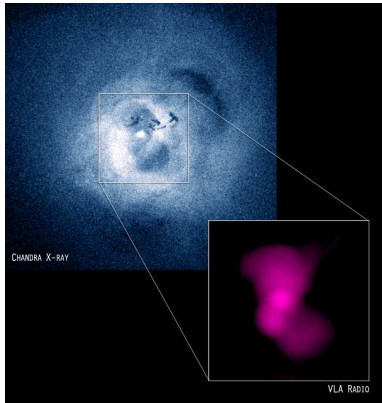


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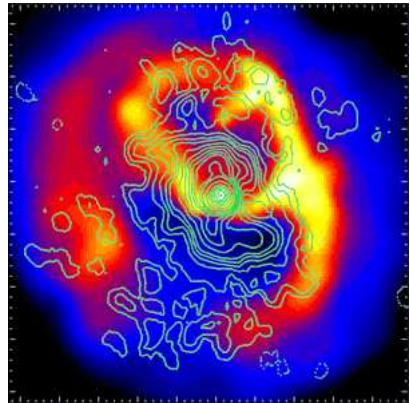
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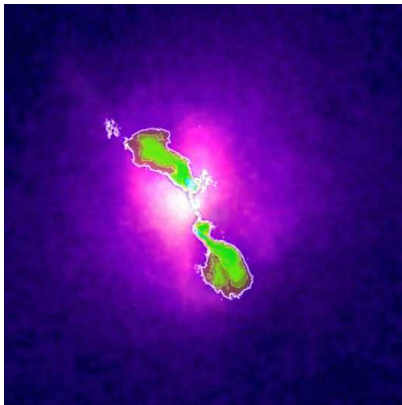


Perseus cluster
(NASA/loA/A.Fabian et al.)



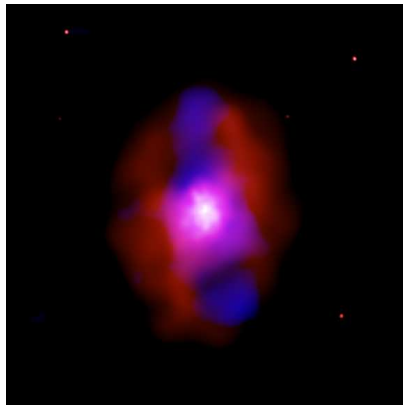
Abell 2052
(Blanton et al., 2001)

Plasma bubbles (2)



Hydra A cluster

(X-ray: NASA/CXC/SAO; Radio: NRAO)

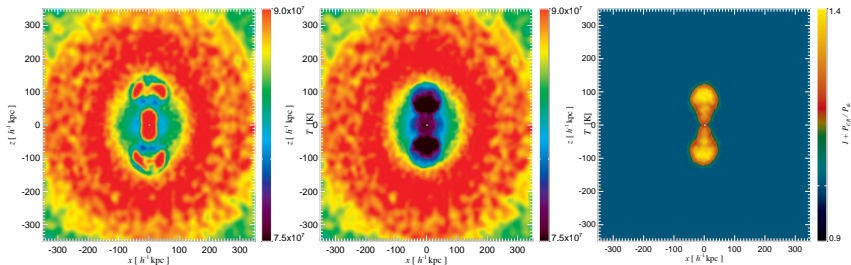


MS 0735 cluster

(X-ray: NASA/CXC/Ohio U./ B.McNamara et al.;
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CR feedback by AGN: isolated galaxy cluster

Isolated, non-cosmological cluster simulations: $t = 0.07 t_H$



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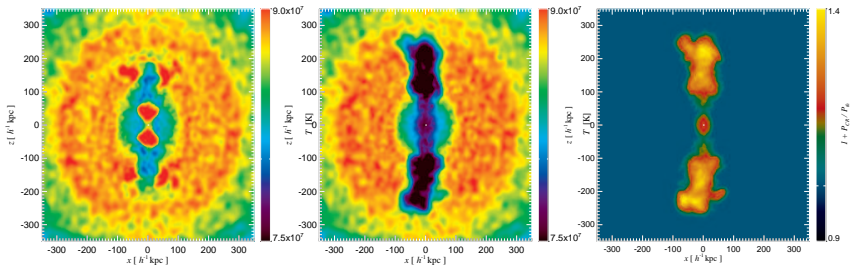
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$1 + P_{CR}/P_{th}$

Sijacki, C.P., Springel, EnBlin (2008)

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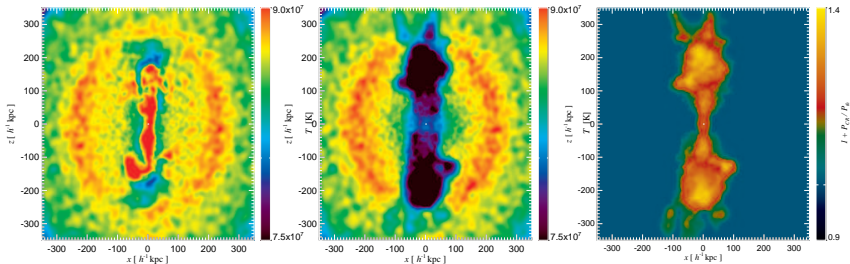
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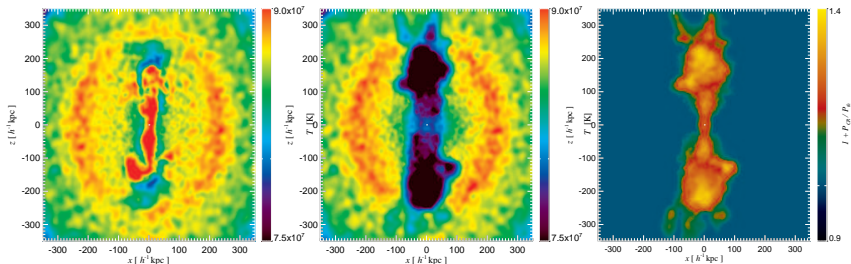
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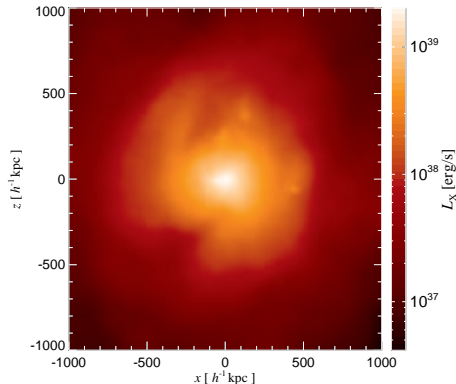
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→ bubble dynamics, coherence and maximum cluster-centric distance reached are affected by the presence of a relativistic component filling the bubbles! (Sijacki, C.P., Springel, Enßlin 2008)

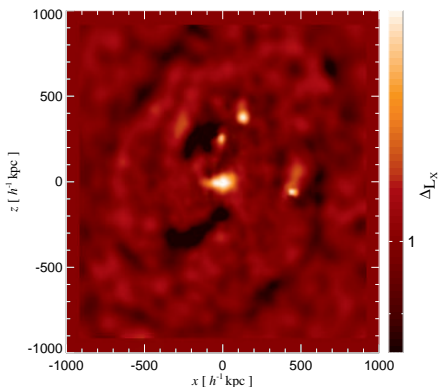
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Ripples/weak shocks driven by AGN bubbles



X-ray brightness S_X , Virgo-like cluster

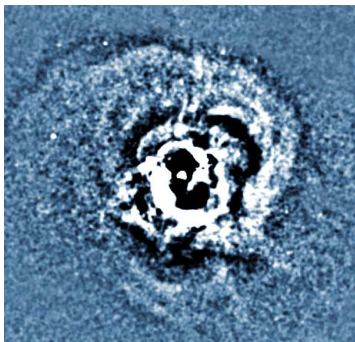
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unsharp masked image ΔS_X

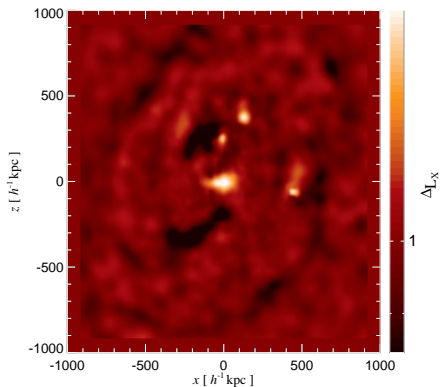
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ΔS_X : observation vs. simulation



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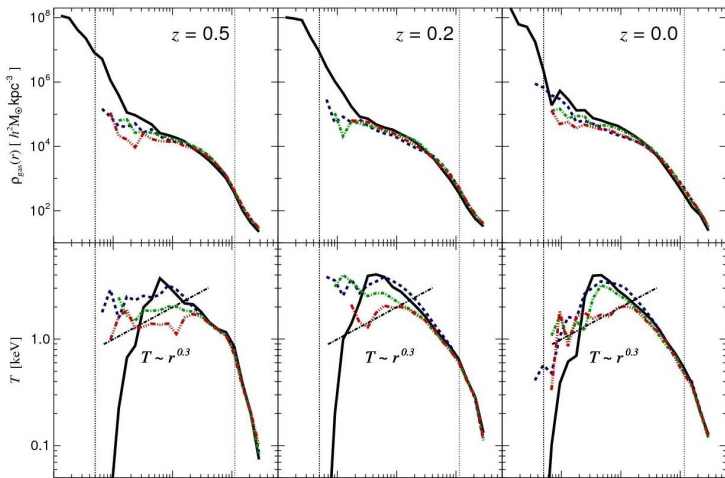
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small cool core cluster, $M_{\text{vir}} \simeq 10^{14} M_{\odot} / h$

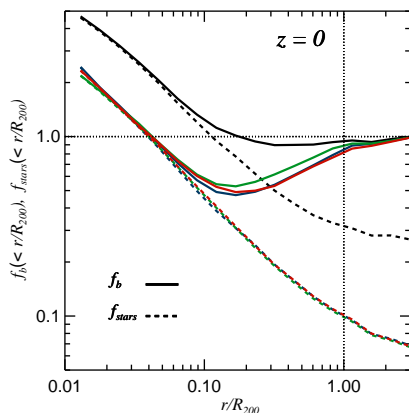
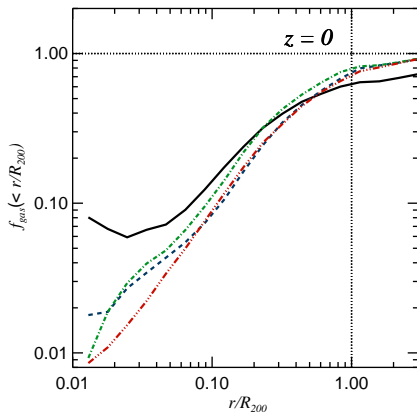


CR feedback by AGN: profiles of ρ and T



Sijacki, C.P., Springel, EnBlin (2008)

CR feedback by AGN: gas and baryon fraction



AGN feedback reduces the amount of formed stars to reconcile the observations! (Sijacki, C.P., Springel, EnBlin 2008)



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Sunyaev-Zel'dovich power spectrum

How to use galaxy clusters as cosmological tools!

- galaxy clusters are exponentially sensitive to new physics beyond the standard model:
 - testing Einstein's gravity on large scales
 - dark energy or Λ
 - non-Gaussianity
- Sunyaev-Zel'dovich power spectrum depends on cosmology and cluster physics:

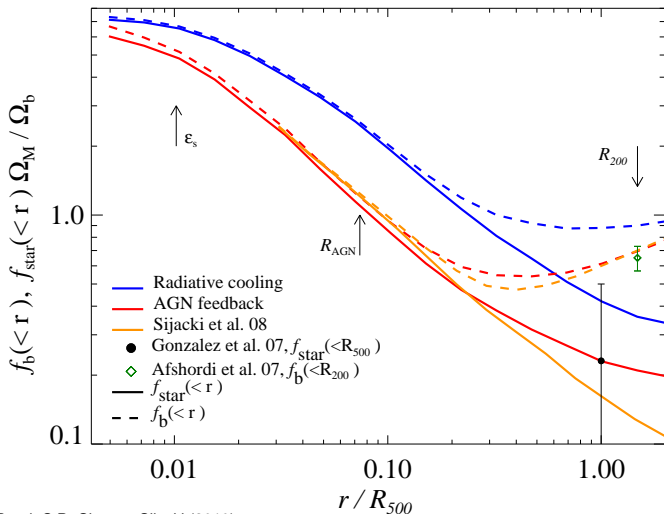
$$C_\ell = g_\nu^2 \int_0^{z_{\max}} dz \frac{dV}{dz} \int dM \frac{dn(z, M)}{dM} |\tilde{y}_\ell(M, z)|^2$$

- amplitude of the SZ power spectrum $C_\ell \propto A_{\text{SZ}} \propto \sigma_8^7$



Baryon and stellar mass fraction

$f_{\text{star}}(< r) = M_{\text{star}}(< r) / M_{\text{tot}}(< r)$ is reduced by AGN feedback to observed values



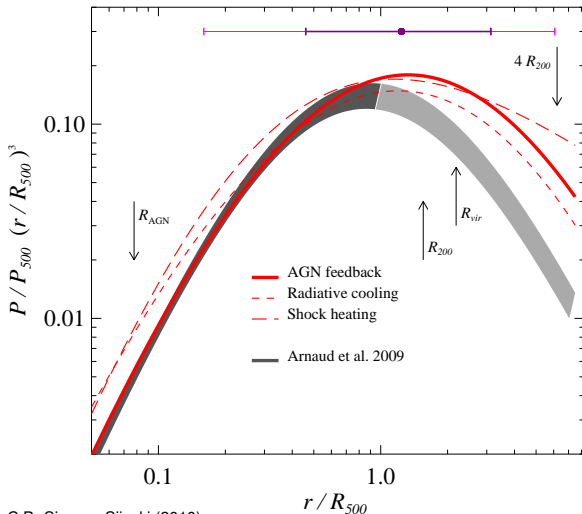
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Stacked pressure profile

$P(r)r^3 \propto dE/d \log r$ peaks around virial radius with large convergence region



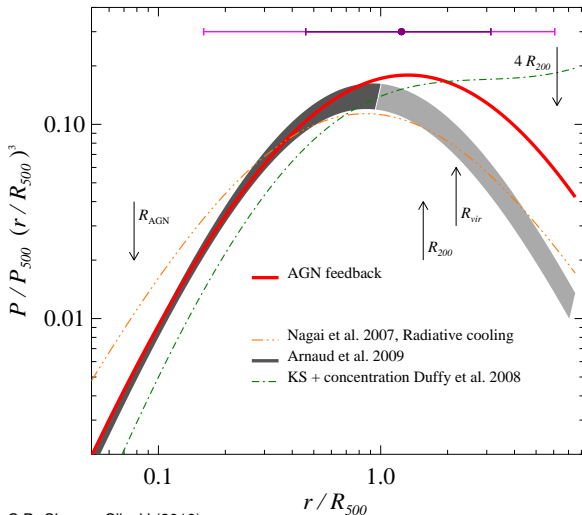
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Analytic models and simulations without AGN feedback are in conflict with X-ray data



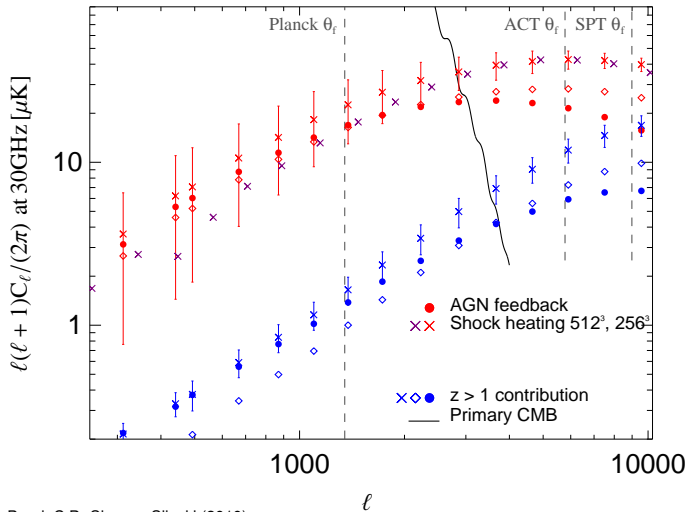
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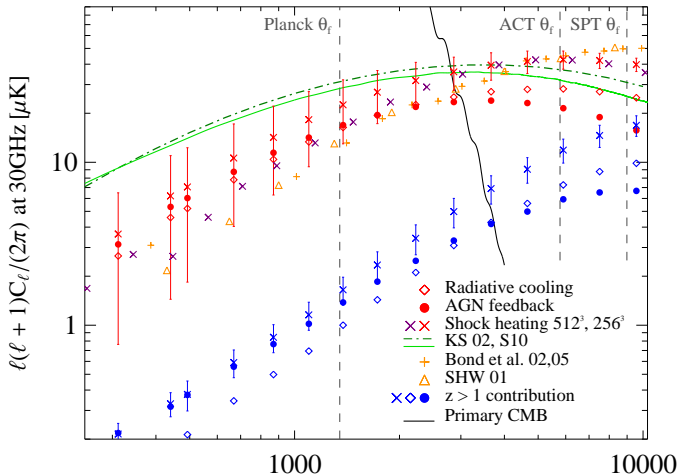
SZ power spectrum with AGN feedback

Cosmological parameters: low- ℓ part, cluster astrophysics at $z \gtrsim 0.8$: high- ℓ part



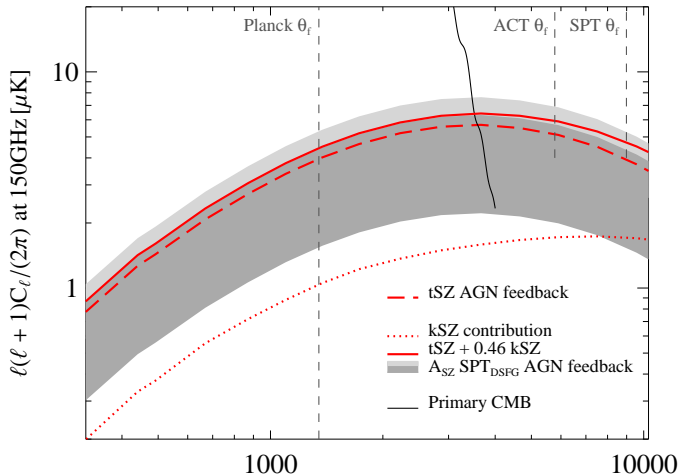
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Importance of hydrodynamic simulations: effect of unvirialized motions/turbulence



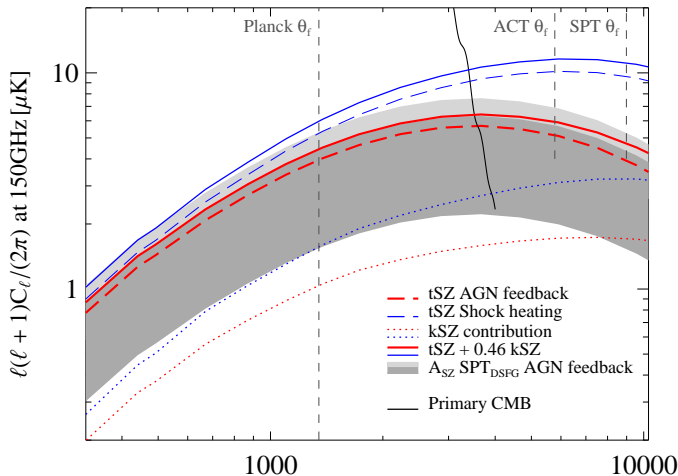
Cosmological constraints

SPT data with WMAP $\sigma_8 = 0.8$ consistent with our AGN models



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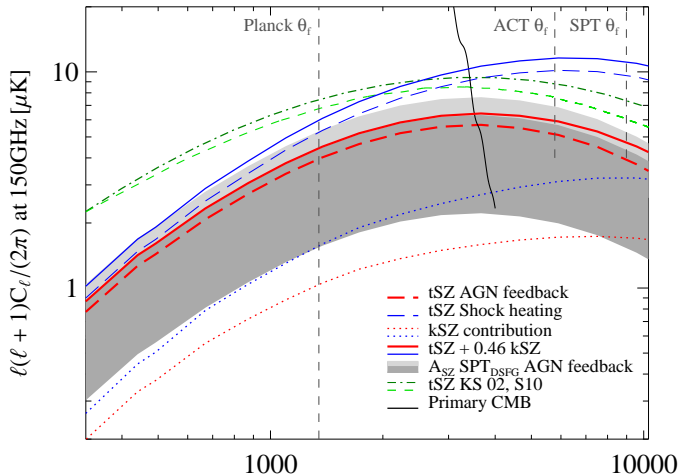


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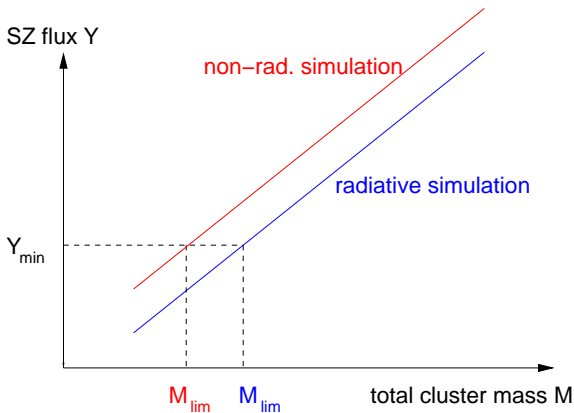


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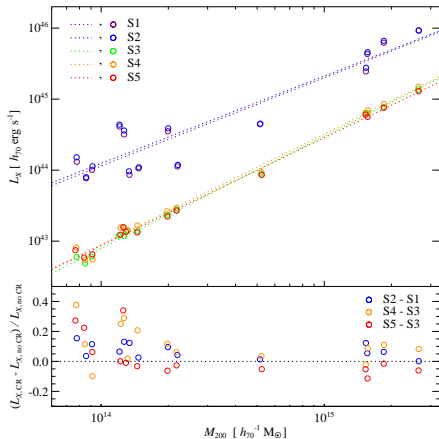
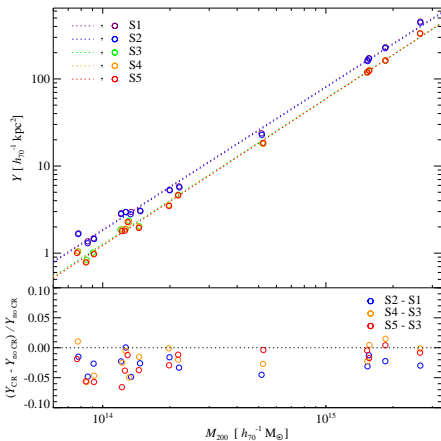


How cluster physics changes scaling relations (1)



→ cooling and star formation depletes the gas reservoir, which decreases the SZ flux and increases the effective mass threshold for an SZ flux-limited cluster sample

How cluster physics changes scaling relations (2)

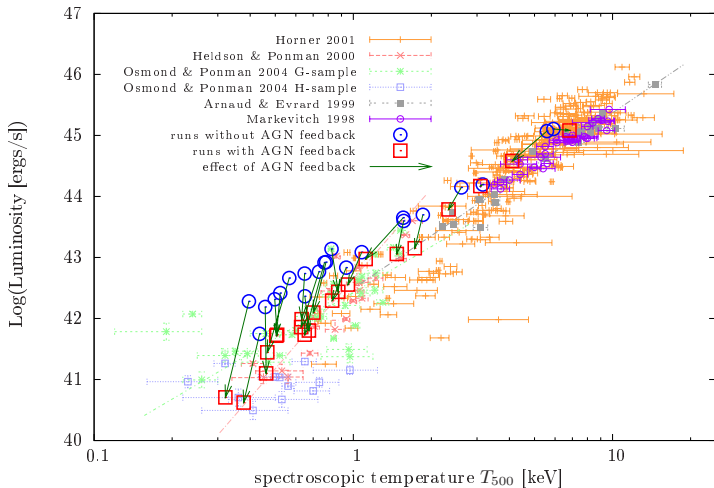


top: scaling relations of non-radiative/radiative simulations, $Y(M_{200})$ vs. $L_X(M_{200})$

bottom: relative diff. due to CR feedback \rightarrow system. negative (positive) bias for Y (L_X)!



$L_X - T$ scaling relation: impact of AGN feedback

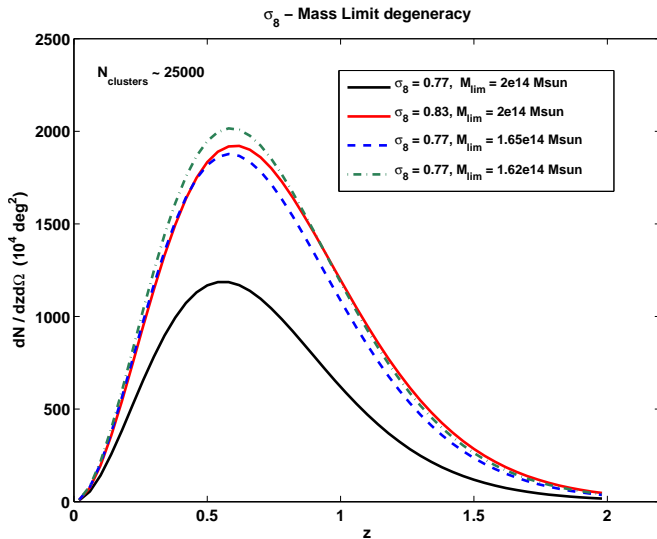


Degeneracies of the cluster redshift distribution (1)

- The number density of massive clusters is exponentially sensitive to the amplitude of the initial Gaussian fluctuations, whose normalization we usually describe using σ_8 , the *rms* fluctuations of overdensity within spheres of $8 h^{-1}$ Mpc.
- The cluster redshift distribution dn/dz is increased by a lower effective mass threshold M_{lim} in a survey or by increasing σ_8 respectively $\Omega_m \rightarrow$ degeneracies of cosmological parameters with respect to cluster physics.



Degeneracies of the cluster redshift distribution (2)

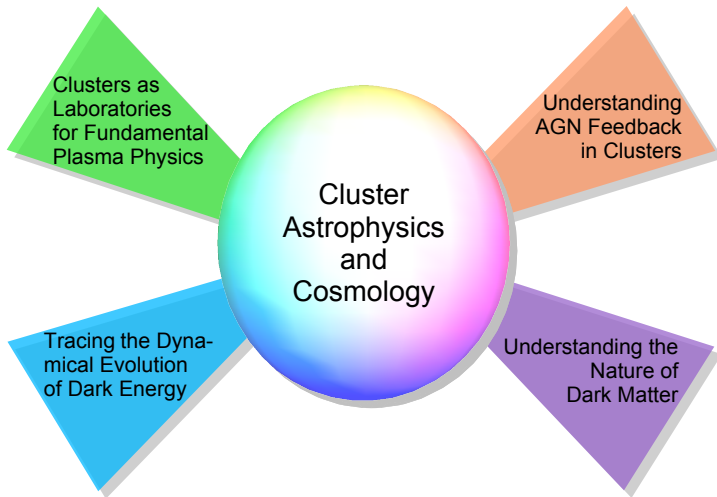


Conclusions on cluster cosmology

- crucial to *separate effects* of cluster physics from cosmology or physics beyond the standard model
- **inhomogeneous, localized and self-regulated feedback by AGN ...**
 - solves over-cooling and recovers observed stellar mass fractions
 - brings simulated X-ray profiles/scaling relations in agreement with observations
 - brings simulated SZ power spectra in agreement with observations (for σ_8 from primordial CMB fluctuations)



Future perspectives and directions



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