PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF THE X-RAY GAS AS A DYNAMICAL DIAGNOSIS FOR GALAXY CLUSTERS

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SUBSTRUCTURES IN CLUSTERS

- Clusters are formed through the merging of smaller structures
- Simulations show that substructures should be common
- The degree of substructure give information on the cluster history, and so do various maps of the X-ray gas
- Three regimes: cool-core clusters (CC), non cool-core clusters (NCC) and an intermediate category
- The fraction of CC clusters depends on the detection method (X-rays, SZ etc.), as shown e.g. by Lopes+18

HOW CAN THE DYNAMICAL STATE OF A CLUSTER BE ESTIMATED?

- Offset between the X-ray centroid) and the brightest cluster galaxy (BCG)
- Magnitude gap between the two brightest galaxies
- Degree of substructures (depends on detection method)
- X-ray maps of the emissivity, temperature, pseudo-entropy, pseudo-pressure and metallicity

OUR SAMPLE

53 nearby clusters (z<0.11) from the Lopes et al. (2018) sample with « good » XMM-Newton data



METHOD

- Spectra extracted in the [0.7 7.0] keV band after usual reduction
- Fits with MEKAL XSPEC with fixed redshift and ≥15 counts per spectral bin give:
 - temperature kT
 - metallicity Z

- pseudo-entropy $S = kT / I^{1/3}$ (I = intensity)
- pseudo-pressure $p = kT \times I^{1/2}$
- 2D spectral maps in grid of 512 x 512 XMM-Newton EPIC pixels with minimum count number of 1500 after background
 subtraction, binned by 3x3 or 5x5 if necessary

SOME EMISSIVITY MAPS



0.0T 06 0

• Temperature:

> Expected to be colder in the center for cool core clusters

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• Metallicity:

Peaks at the center of clusters

Gives information on previous star formation

• Entropy:

- Expected to be symmetrical around the center and to increase towards the cluster outskirts
- Low entropy gas can be displaced by instabilities (cold fronts) or by gas stripping
- High entropy can also be due to local heating (AGN)

• Pressure:

Sensitive to gravitational and non-gravitational processes
 Fluctuations trace departure from local equilibrium (shocks, pressure waves)

FOUR CATEGORIES OF CLUSTERS

- Cool core relaxed systems
- Cool core disturbed systems
- Non cool core relaxed systems
- Non cool core disturbed systems

Comparison with the classification based on the six criteria defined by Andrade-Santos et al. (2017) and Lopes et al. (2018)

COOL CORE RELAXED SYSTEMS



0.0 T 0.6

COOL CORE DISTURBED SYSTEMS



0.0 T 06 08

NON COOL CORE RELAXED SYSTEMS



NON COOL-CORE DISTURBED SYSTEMS



0.0T 06 0

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

- Cool core relaxed systems: 17 but 4 show only a weak cool core in kT map. Only 5 are spherical, and 2 show interactions (p map)
- Cool core disturbed systems: 16, with a cool core, but disturbed structure due to recent or ongoing merger events
- Non cool core relaxed systems: 4
- Non cool core disturbed systems: 16

Power of 2D X-ray maps to understand in depth the dynamical state of clusters

COMPARISON WITH HYDRODYNAMICAL SIMULATIONS: THE MERGING CLUSTER ABELL 3376

Mass ratio 1/6 to 1/8 Mach number M ≈ 4 Age of merger 0.5 Gyr





Machado & Lima Neto 2013, MNRAS 430, 3249

FUTURE WORK

- Comparison with more hydrodynamical simulations (Machado et al. in preparation)
- Dynamical analysis by comparison of X-ray substructures with substructures based on galaxy redshifts (Biviano et al. in preparation)

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