Mergers and Radio Sources in Abell 3667 and Abell 2061



A3667 XMM X-ray image and radio contours

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SLAM Simulation of A2061

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Abell 3667 – Merging Cluster

XMM



Briel et al. 2004; Nakazawa et al. 2009

- Major merger along NW-SE axis
- z = 0.0552

Chandra



Vikhlinin et al. 2000

Cold front, remnant of cool core of one subcluster

Finoguenov et al. 2010; Sarazin et al. 2013, 2014

Double Radio Relics

ROSAT (color), radio contours



NW Radio Relic

SE Radio Relic

Röttgering et al. 1997

NW Radio Relic in Abell 3667

- Brightest diffuse cluster source
 3.7 Jy at 20 cm (Johnston-Hollitt 2004)
- Located at large projected radius ~2.2 Mpc
- Due to merger shock acceleration?



Radio vs. ROSAT X-rays

Merger shock?

XMM Observations of Radio Relic

 7 previous observations of Abell 3667

(Briel et al. 2004)

But, misses radio relic region

- XMM AO-7 observation 55 ksec
- XMM AO-9 Large Project 311 ksec
 Coverage of relic and regions beyond and to the side



Total exposure map

XMM Image



X-ray Surface Brightness Discontinuity at Outer Edge of Relic



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Shock SB model

 $\mathcal{E} = \mathcal{E}_0 r^{-p}$ $r = \left| \left(\frac{x}{a} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{y}{b} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{z}{c} \right)^2 \right|$ Shock = ellipsoid, a, b, c $I(x, y) = I_{in} + I_{out}$ $I(x,y) = \frac{\varepsilon_0 c}{4\sqrt{\pi}(1+z)^{\eta}} \frac{\Gamma(p-1/2)}{\Gamma(p)} A^{-2p+1} \phi$ $A(x,y) = \left[\left(\frac{x}{a}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{y}{b}\right)^2 \right]$ $\phi_{in} = \begin{cases} 1 - I_{A^2}(p - 1/2, 1/2) & A < 1\\ 0 & A \ge 1 \end{cases}$ $\phi_{out} = \begin{cases} I_{A^2}(p - 1/2, 1/2) & A < 1\\ 0 & A \ge 1 \end{cases}$



Temperature Discontinuity at Outer Edge of Relic



 $kT_{in} = 4.23 \pm 0.31 \text{ keV}$ $kT_{out} = 1.95 \pm 0.10 \text{ keV}$

outer edge of relic

Merger Shock

Density jump $n_{e1} = (6.81 \pm 0.25) \times 10^{-5} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ $n_{e2} = (1.62 \pm 0.04) \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ Compression C = $n_{e2}/n_{e1} = 2.38 \pm 0.11$ **Temperature** jump $T_1 = 1.95 \pm 0.10 \text{ keV}$ $T_2 = 4.23 \pm 0.31 \text{ keV}$ Mach number $M = 2.09 \pm 0.09$ Compression C = 2.36 ± 0.09 $v_s = 1500 \pm 105$ km/s

$$\frac{1}{C} = \frac{3}{4M^2} + \frac{1}{4}$$
$$\frac{T_2}{T_1} = \frac{5M^4 + 14M^2 - 3}{16M^2}$$

Merger Acceleration in Relic?

Is the merger shock accelerating the relativistic electrons in the radio relic?

$$\Delta F_{KE} = \frac{1}{2} \rho_1 v_s^3 \left(1 - \frac{1}{C^2} \right)$$
$$\frac{dE_e}{dt} = L_{radio} \left[1 + \left(\frac{3.6 \,\mu \text{G}}{B} \right)^2 \right]$$

Acceleration efficiency of electrons ~ 0.2% Lower than supernova remnants, but lower Mach number

Properties of NW Radio Relic

- Sharp outer edge (= location of shock acceleration)
- Radio spectrum steepens away from edge

 α = - 0.7 at edge, -1.9 far from edge

$$t_{rad} = 1.3 \times 10^8 \left(\frac{v_b}{1.4 \,\text{GHz}}\right)^{-1/2} \left(\frac{B}{3\,\mu\text{G}}\right)^{-3/2}$$
$$\times \left[1 + \left(\frac{3.6\,\mu\text{G}}{B}\right)^2\right]^{-1} \text{yr}$$
$$v_2 = v_s / C \approx 640 \,\text{km/s}$$
$$\theta_{rad} \approx 1.'3$$



Properties of NW Radio Relic

- Radio spectrum too flat at outer edge given shock compression?
 - $-\alpha$ = -0.7 observed
 - α = 3/[2(C-1)] \approx -1.10 expected, First Order Fermi acceleration, relativistic particles and magnetic field weak
 - True of several other relics, assuming expected merger shock Mach numbers

Does the shock re-accelerate a pre-existing population of low energy relativistic particles? (Kang & Ryu 2011; Pinzke et al. 2013; Sarazin et al. 2013)

Limit on Relic Magnetic Field

Limit on Inverse Compton from relic - assume all of X-ray emission is IC

Lower limit on B if emission is not IC

• $B \ge 3 \mu G$

A very large field at 2.2 Mpc from the cluster center!

Significant nonthermal pressure support in relic

- P_{Nonthermal} / P_{Thermal} ~ 20%
- But, in brightest radio relic in violent merger cluster

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Hogge et al. 2014

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- Bimodal galaxy distribution, 2 cD galaxies
- SW radio relic (Kempner & Sarazin 2001)

Abell 2061



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Example – Abell 2061



Chandra X-ray Intensity

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Abell 2061 X-ray Color Map

Plume 1.3 keV



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- Complex X-ray image, cold Plume, inner Shock
- Why the internal Shock?
- Why is the Plume cold?
- Are radio sources due to shocks?

SLAM Simulations

- SLAM = Simulation Library of Astrophysical Chatzikos, Sarazin, & O'Shea 2014a,b,c
- 156 binary cluster mergers (hydro + N-body)
- Resemble A2061 for:
 - Mass ratio 5-10 (2×10^{14} / 4×10^{13} M_{\odot})
 - Offset mergers $\lambda \approx 0.075$
 - After first core crossing
 - Subcluster merged from SW

SLAM Simulation



Temperature

X-ray SB

SLAM Simulations

Plume is cool core gas of smaller subcluster

- Initially, gas lagged behind DM
- Slingshot effect = thrown out beyond DM

(Hallman & Markevitch 2004)

- Accelerated outward by
 - Gravity of DM
 - Running down cluster pressure gradient
- Cool because
 - Cool core of low mass cluster
 - Adiabatic expansion
- Now falling back into cluster center

SLAM Simulations

- Central Shock region is Plume gas hitting cluster core
- Merger shock beyond Plume = extention of radio source to NE ?
- Very strong merger shock to SW = SW radio relic?
 - Subcluster cleared channel in main cluster during infall
 - Merger shock rushed out this channel

Conclusions

 A3667 XMM X-ray Data (Finoguenov et al. 2010, Sarazin et al. 2013, 2014)
 Merger shock at outer edge of radio relic
 Radio relics due to merger shocks
 A2061 = complex X-ray and radio structure due to offset merger

(Hogge et al. 2014)