Impact of Suzaku measurements on astroparticle physics

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Cluster mergers and non-thermal phenomena

- Clusters grow into the present shape via mergers
- ✤ Kinetic energy of a cluster merger ~10⁶⁴ erg
 - → gas heating and particle acceleration
 - thermal emission and non-thermal emission?



The Coma cluster (z=0.023)



Non-thermal X-ray emission

- RXTE 21±6 10⁻¹² erg/s/cm² (Rephaeli & Gruber 02)
- BeppoSAX 15±5 10⁻¹² erg/s/cm² (Fusco-Femiano+04;11)
- Suzaku < $6 \times 10^{-12} \text{ erg/s/cm}^2$ (Wik+09)
- Swift $< 4.2 \times 10^{-12} \text{ erg/s/cm}^2 (Wik+11)$

Radio – X-ray connection

- Radio bi-modality (Brunetti+09)
 - merging clusters hosts diffuse radio emission and follows $P_{1.4GHz}$ -Lx correlation



 generation of high-energy particles is connected to dynamical evolution of clusters

Purpose

- Search for non-thermal hard X-ray emission from merging clusters using the Suzaku broad-band X-ray spectroscopy
 - reveal the origin of hard X-ray emission and understand the cluster dynamical evolution
- Constrain magnetic fields in clusters using the relation SIC/S_{sync} = U_{CMB}/U_B (e.g., Rybicki's textbook)



Targets

- We have observed objects
 - that are bright in X-rays
 - that have radio halos, indicative of recent merger



We'll make a comparison with nearby objects (Coma, Centaurus, A2199, A3376, A3667 etc.)

Analysis strategy

- To measure non-thermal hard X-ray emission, we need:
 I. Careful assessment of background
 - Systematic error of non-X-ray background for Suzaku/ HXD is ~2%
 - 2. Detailed modeling of thermal component
 - Single-, two-, multi-temperature models are applied.
 - ✓ mergers can have multi-T structure including very hot thermal gas that emits hard X-rays (e.g., Ota+08)
- The Suzaku+XMM/Chandra joint analysis allow us to take advantage of Suzaku's spectral sensitivity and XMM/Chandra's spatial resolution.

A2163: Previous observations

The hottest Abell cluster



• see also Million & Allen+09

Suzaku observations of A2163



Suzaku/HXD spectrum of A2163



XMM+HXD broad-band spectral analysis

APEC thermal emission model



0.3~60 keV spectra can be fitted with a kT~14 keV thermal model
 Hard X-ray emission is likely to be dominated by thermal emission

Constraint on non-thermal emission

APEC + Power-law with Γ =2.18 (the same index in radio; Feretti+04)



Multi-temperature modeling with XMM Use XMM spectra in 2'x2' grids to construct the Multi-T model



HXD spectral fitting with Multi-T + Power-law model

Multi-T APEC + Power-law



Ota et al. in prep

A2163: Summary & Discussion

- Origin of hard X-ray emission from A2163
 - Emission in the HXD band is well represented by the thermal models
 - Very hot (~18 keV) gas in the NE shock contributes by ~15%
 - The existence of high-temperature gas supports the scenario of recent ~0.5Gyr merger (Bourdin+11;Takizawa+99; see also Ota+08 for the case of RXJ1347)
 - We did not find any significant non-thermal hard X-ray emission
- Estimation of cluster magnetic field
 - Using the relation $S_{IC}/S_{sync} = U_{CMB}/U_B$ & the radio flux $S_{syn=}I55mJy@I.4GHz$,
 - $S_{IC} < 0.26 \ \mu$ Jy @12 keV \rightarrow B > 0.09 μ G for Γ =2.18

The Bullet Cluster



RXJI347+1147



- Hard X-ray emission is dominated by thermal emission from very hot thermal gas in the SE
- \rightarrow Non-thermal X-ray emission is not significant < 8 x10⁻¹² erg/s/cm²



The upper limits on NT emission were reported in ~10 clusters with Suzaku \rightarrow No clear scaling relation is seen

RXTE & SAX (Rephaeli+08 review), Swift (Ajello et al. 09,10; Wik+11; See also Wik+12), Suzaku (Kitaguchi+07; Kawaharada+10; Kawano+09; Wik+09; Sugawara+09; Nakazawa+09; Fujita+08; Ota+08)

Comparison with other clusters



If B~1 μ G, x100 sensitivity is required to detect NT emission from A2163

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Summary

- To search for non-thermal emission, we observed hot clusters with radio halo, A2163, Bullet, & RXJ1347, with Suzaku.
 - The Suzaku/HXD spectra are well represented by thermal models
 - Very hot (~20 keV) thermal gas contributes to the hard X-ray emission
 - determination of thermal component to high accuracy is indispensable!
 - No significant non-thermal emission is detected
- Present limits on the non-thermal hard X-ray emission and magnetic field
 - The upper limits on NT emission were obtained in ~10 clusters with Suzaku
 - No clear scaling relations (L_{NT}-T, B-T) are seen so far



Future prospects



- What's next?
 - Application of this method to other clusters observed with Suzaku
 - ASTRO-H!
 - Hard X-ray Imagers will enable more accurate measurement of high-T thermal component & identification of shock region to get higher S/N
 - \rightarrow detection of IC to B ~ I μ G level
 - High spectral resolution of micro-calorimeter will enable measurements of bulk/turbulent gas motions

→ Total view of the cluster dynamical evolution

Thank you for your attention!