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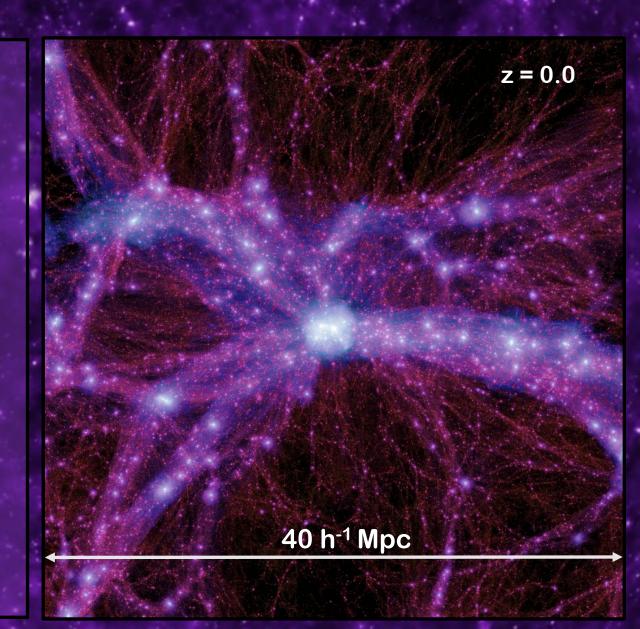
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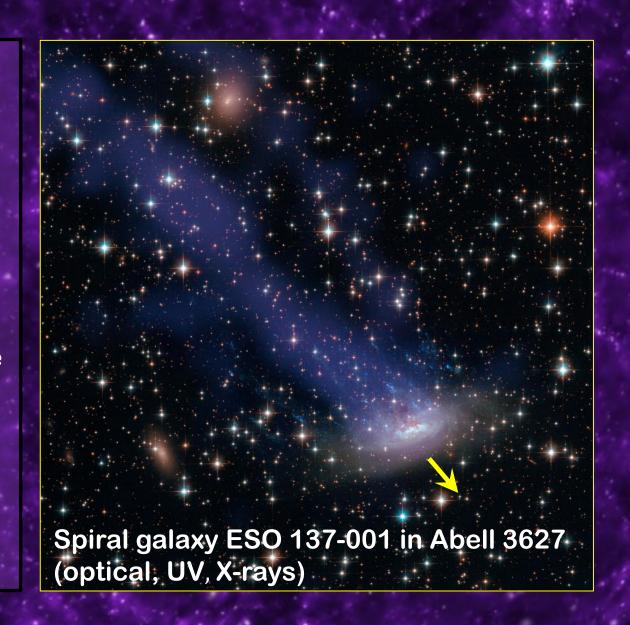
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## Galaxy Clusters are the nodes of the cosmic web

- In the hierarchical scenario of structure formation, clusters are still forming through:
  - merging of several massive entities,
  - accretion of smaller structures (galaxies and galaxy groups) from the cosmic filaments.
- While major mergers carry a lot of mass but are rare, most of the cluster mass (~ 80%) accumulates through accretion of small structures (galaxies and galaxy groups)
- Signatures of accretion processes should be found in the outskirts of clusters where they are connected to filaments



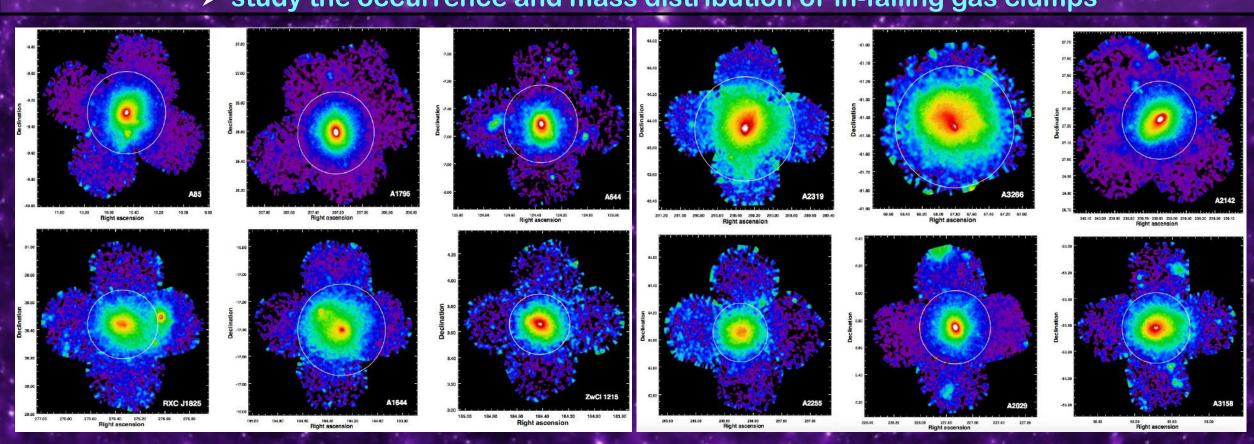
- On the smallest scales, a few disturbed infalling galaxies have been observed in the optical and in X-rays in nearby clusters (e.g. Virgo, Coma, A3627)
- The ram-pressure stripping is expected to be the key to the evolution of the cluster galaxy population by quenching rapidly the star formation in galaxies that fall into clusters.
- Observations at larger, groups and clusters, scales started more recently

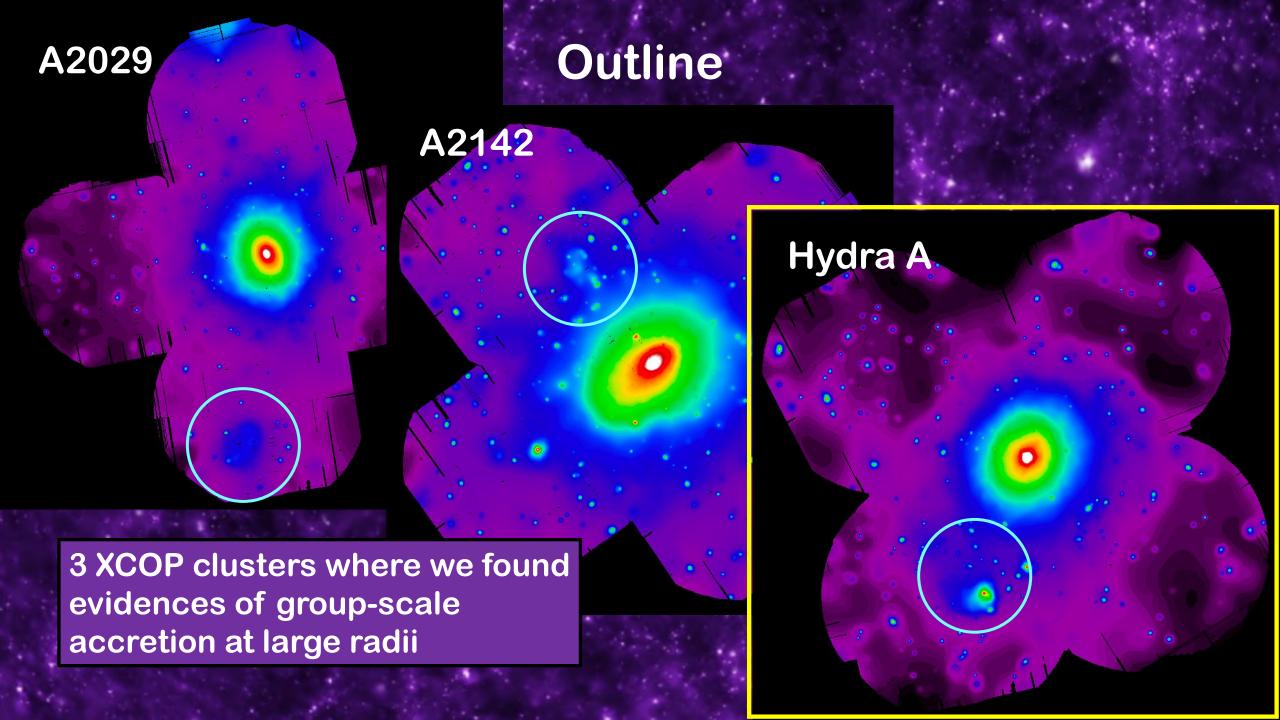


# The XMM Cluster Outskirts Project (PI D. Eckert, VLP 1.2Ms)

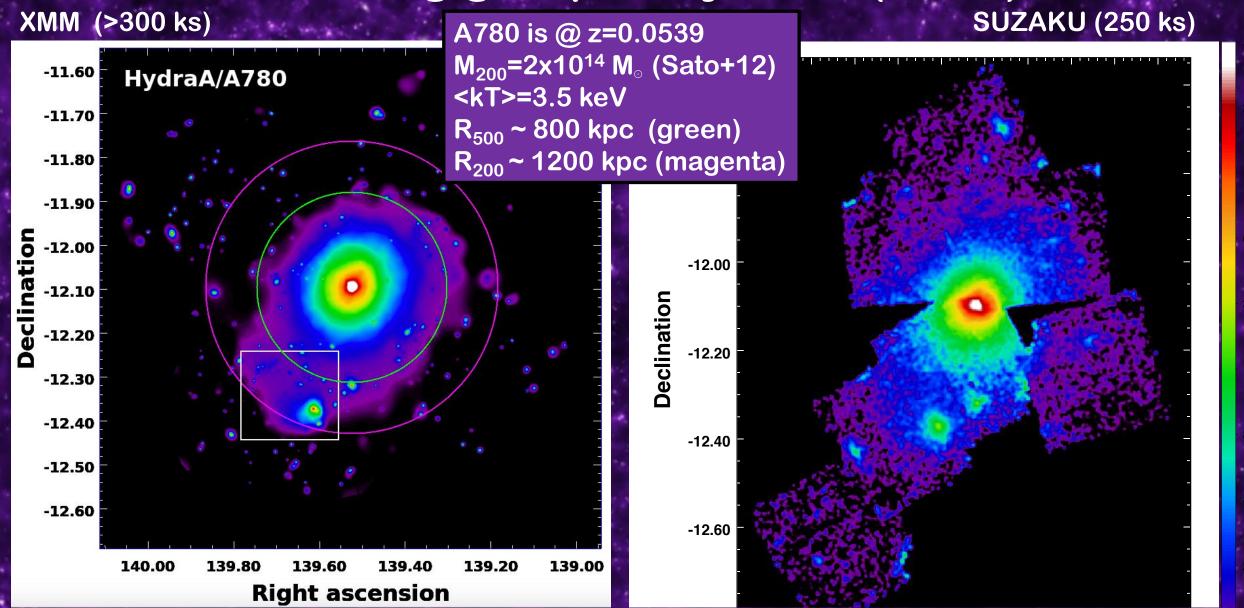
Targets are the outer regions of a sample of 13 clusters: M<sub>500</sub> > 3x10<sup>14</sup> M<sub>☉</sub> @ z<0.1

- ➤ Main GOALS (details on sample selection in Eckert+17):
  - measure the distribution of entropy and thermal energy
  - > asses the presence of non-thermal pressure support in cluster outskirts
  - > study the occurrence and mass distribution of in-falling gas clumps

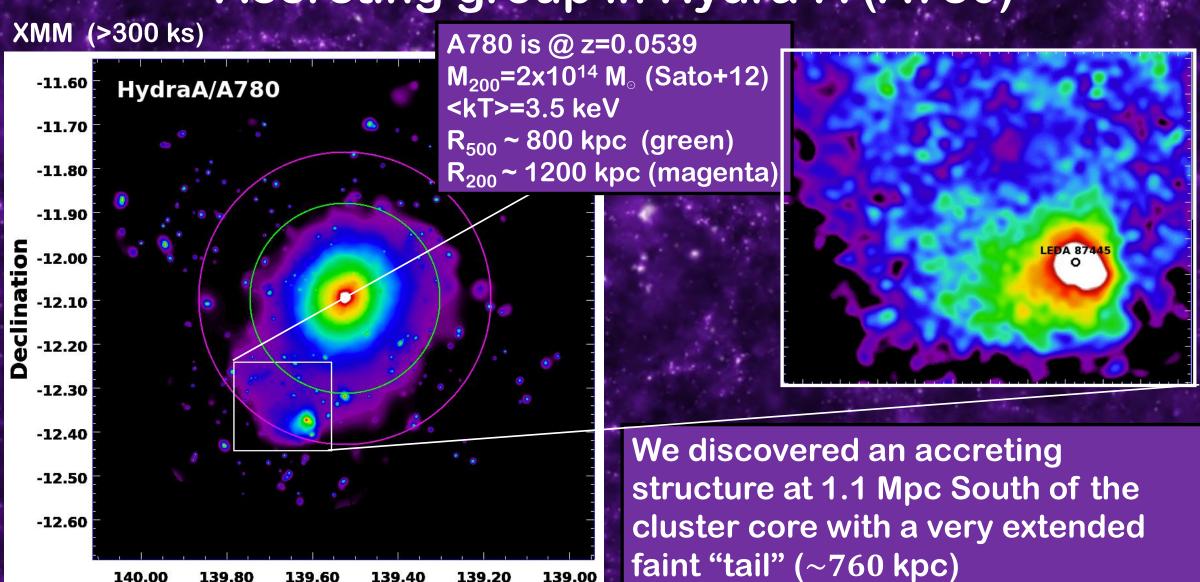




Accreting group in Hydra-A (A780)



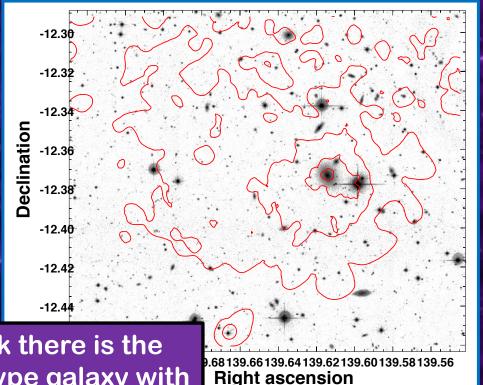
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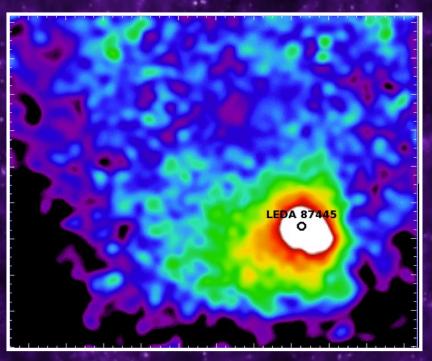


Right ascension

(De Grandi et al. 2016)

# Accreting group in Hydra-A (A780)

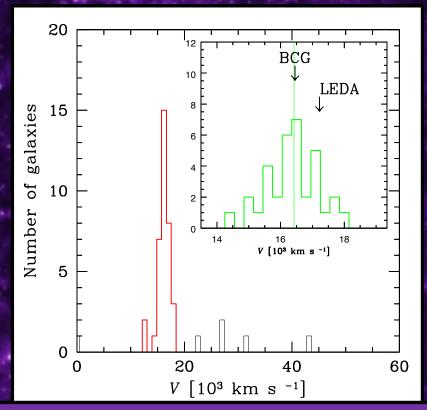


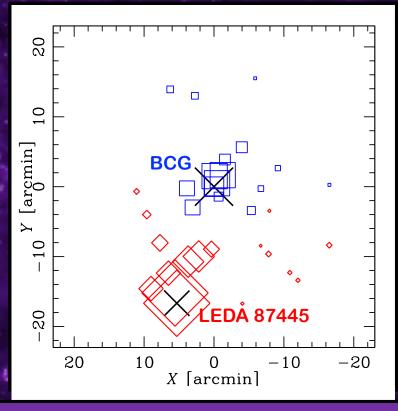


- ❖ At the X-ray peak there is the LEDA 87445 E-type galaxy with z=0.0575 (z<sub>HvdraA</sub>=0.0539)
- 42 galaxies with published Line-of-Sight velocities (Smith+04)

CFHT/Megacam r-band image

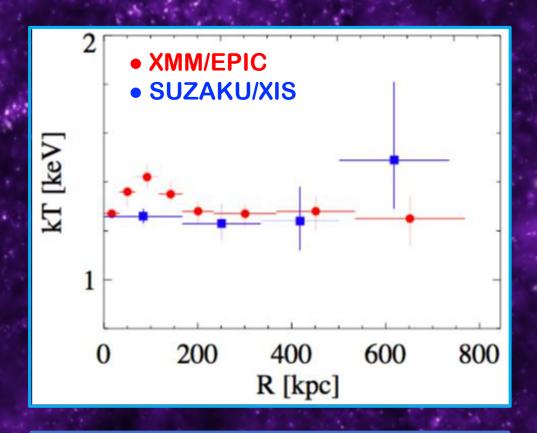
#### The LEDA 87445 group: kinematical analysis



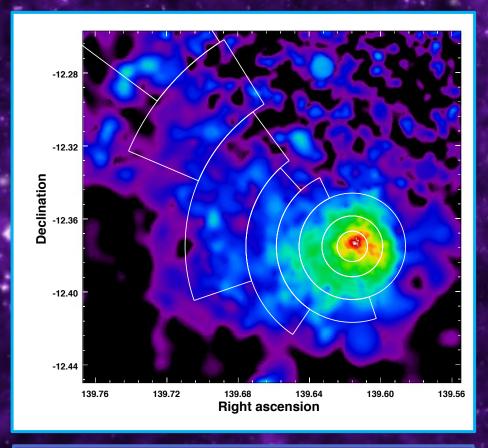


- Line-of-Sight velocity distribution of the galaxies with z<sub>spec</sub>
   (DEDICA method by Girardi+98)
- Red: distribution of galaxies assigned to HydraA
- Green: distribution of 33 fiducial members.

DS-test based on the mean velocity of 33 fiducial members detected a substructure around LEDA 87445 with a c.l. larger than 99%.

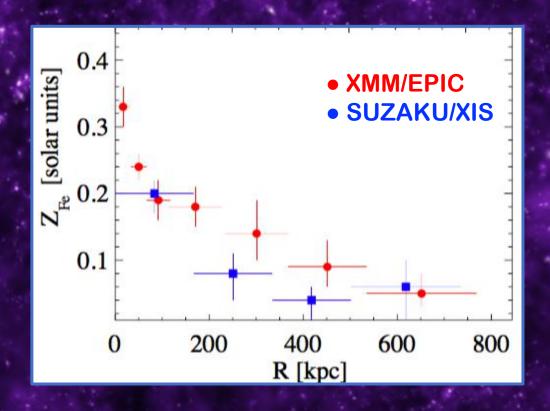


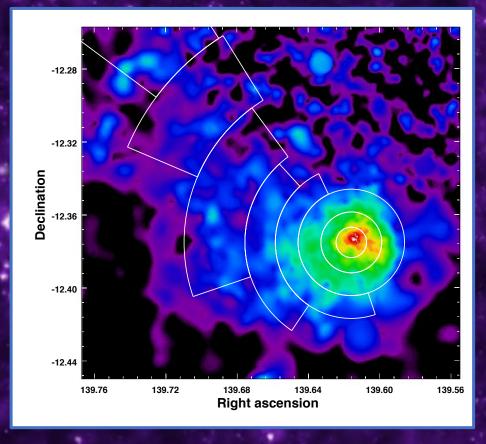
The temperature of the group is 1.3 keV,  $\sim$  2 times smaller than in the surrounding ICM ( $\sim$ 2.5 keV)



Regions selected for spectral analysis.

This temperature is typical of a galaxy group with total mass of a few 10¹³M<sub>☉</sub>.





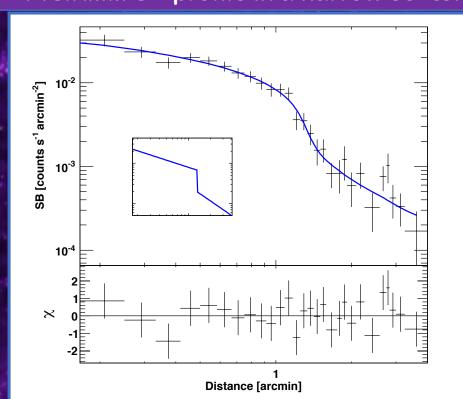
The metallicity is peaked on the LEDA galaxy and decreases along the tail.

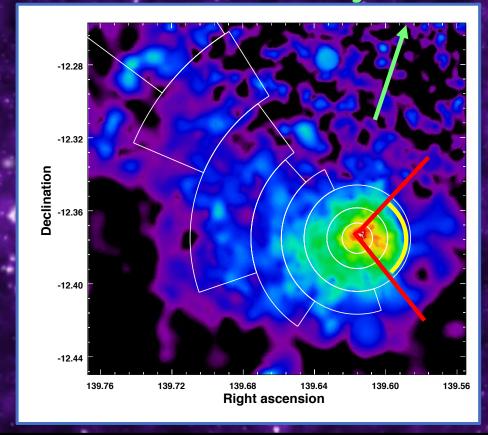
The abundance peak indicates a previously evolved group.

The low Z<sub>Fe</sub> in the tail could be due to Fe-bias due to presence of multiphase gas (here analyzed with a 1T-model)

#### HydraA/A780







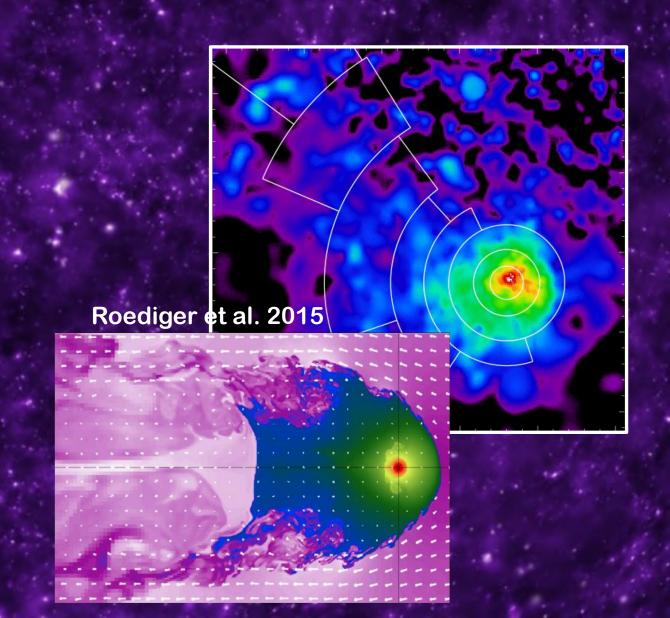
The SB drop at ~100 kpc west indicates the presence of a contact density discontinuity. Since we measure  $n_{in} > n_{out}$  and  $T_{in} < T_{out}$  this discontinuity is a Cold Front.

**Note:** The Cold Front is not pointing towards the main cluster core

# Ram Pressure Stripping properties

#### Interesting features:

- the cold front at the peak with the KH rolls on the side,
- the remnant tail (still bound to the galaxy) in the blue low-velocity area, and
- the stripped wake trailing behind.

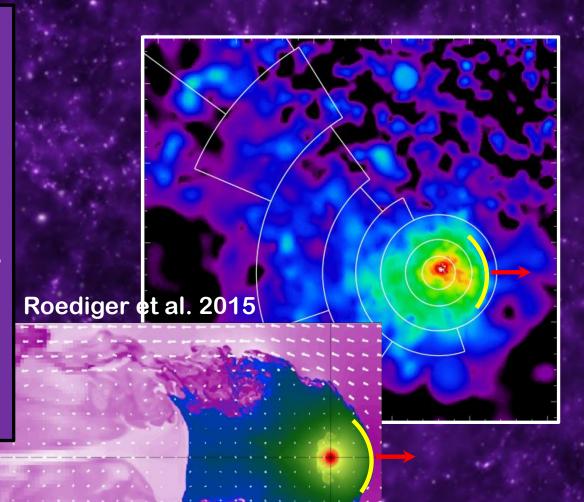


# Ram Pressure Stripping properties

- From the "stagnation point" analysis at Cold Front (Vikhlinin et al. 01)  $\mathcal{M}=1.1^{+0.3}_{-0.4}$  group velocity of  $965^{+270}_{-370}$  km/s ( $\approx$ c<sub>sound</sub>)
- If  $v_{group} \sim const$ , the gas in the outermost tail's region was stripped  $\sim 0.8$ -1 Gyr ago.
- For groups of M<sub>tot</sub>=3x10<sup>13</sup> M<sub>☉</sub> the gas mass is ~5% M<sub>tot</sub> (Sun+09) **•** M<sub>gas</sub>, group ~1.5x10<sup>12</sup> M<sub>☉</sub>
- We estimated the gas mass in the tail, M<sub>gas,tail</sub>, from the measured gas density and assuming a simple geometry of the tail



~50% of the group gas has been stripped



#### Thermal conduction constraints

Thermal conduction quickly transfers heat between hot and cold gas phases erasing in-homogeneities.

The thermal conduction timescale in the plasma is

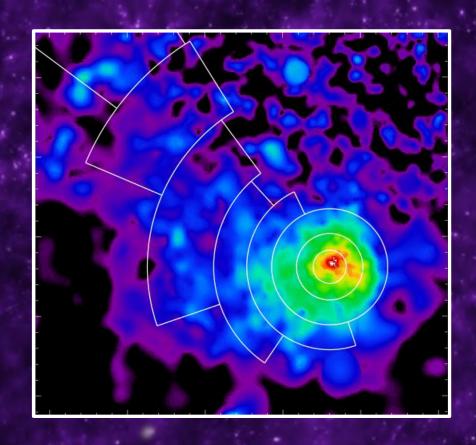
$$t_{cond} \sim \frac{l^2}{D_{cond}} \propto T^{5/2} \sim 16 \; {
m Myr}$$

By comparing this timescale with the "age" of the tail

$$t_{age\ tail} pprox rac{l_{tail}}{v_{group}} \sim 800 ext{-}1000\ ext{Myr}$$

We find that:

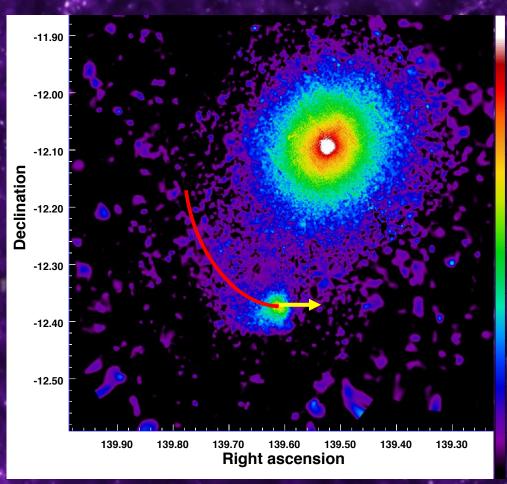
$$t_{age\ tail}/t_{cond} \geq 50$$

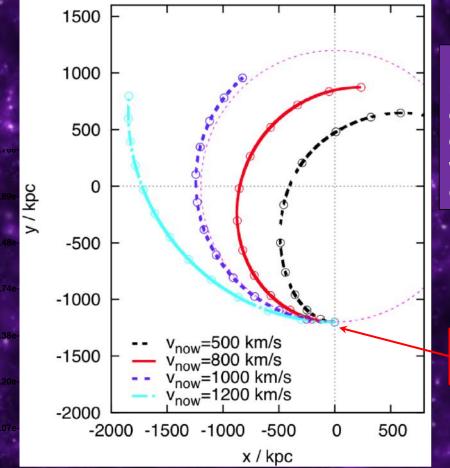




the thermal conduction in the ICM is highly inhibited (direct confirmations outside the cluster core)

# We roughly estimated the orbit of the group from its X-ray morphology





Dashed red circle is the Keplerian orbit: smaller orbits are bound with the main cluster

current position of LEDA @1.1Mpc

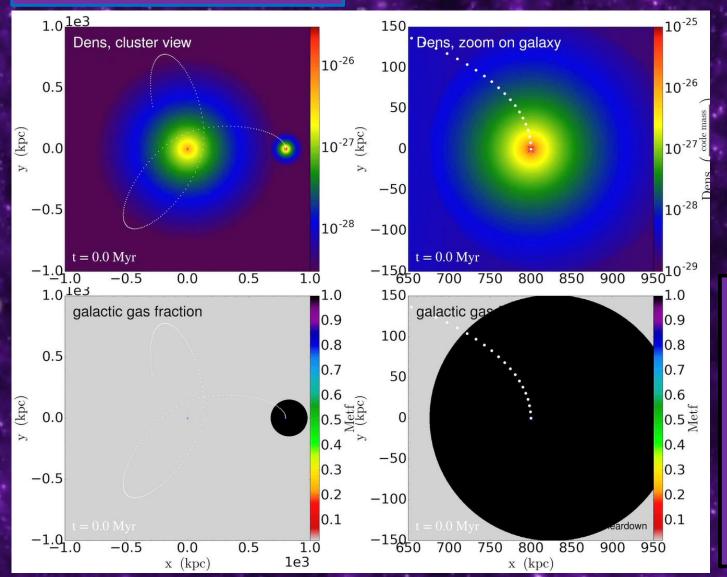
Orbits of a test particle in the potential well of HydraA moving with different velocities (pure tangential velocity, dynamical friction neglected)

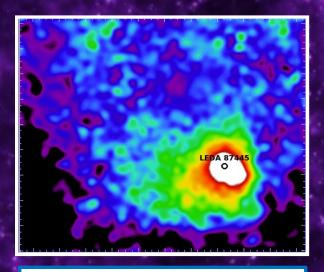


Probably Group at first passage (large impact parameter, 50% still gas retained)

## Reconstructing the orbit with hydro-simulations

#### E. Roediger et al. (in prep.)



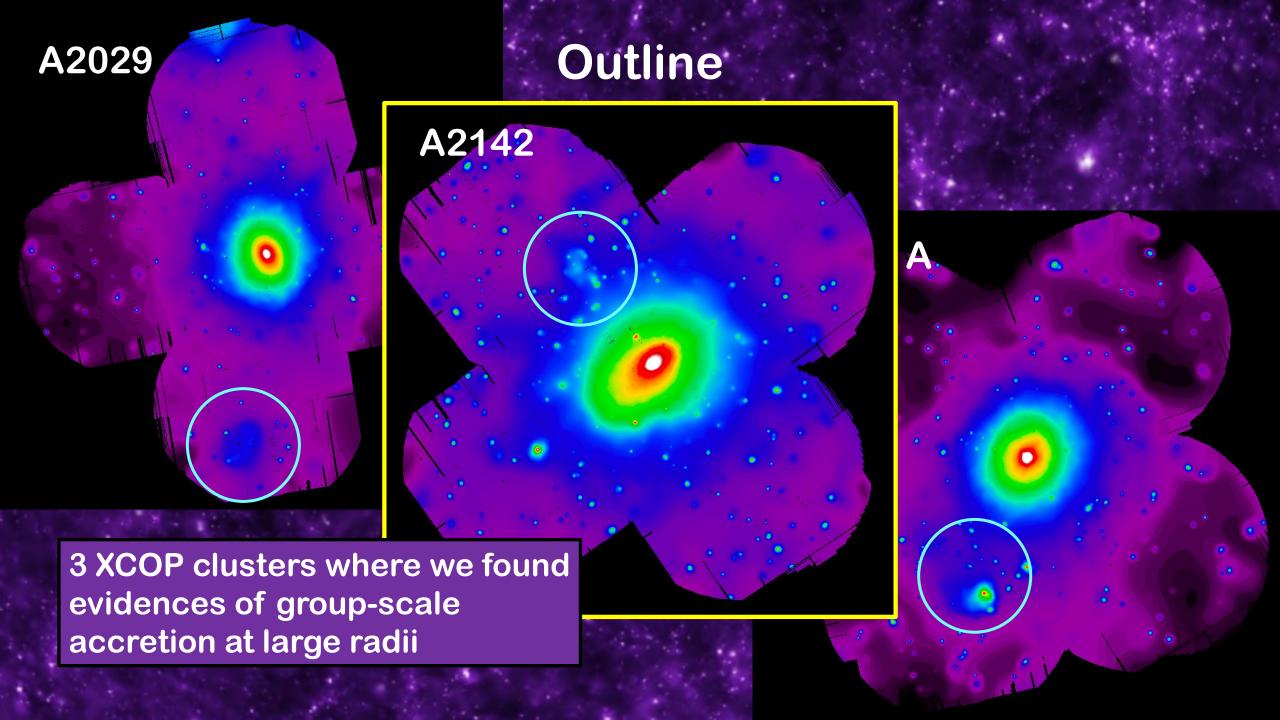


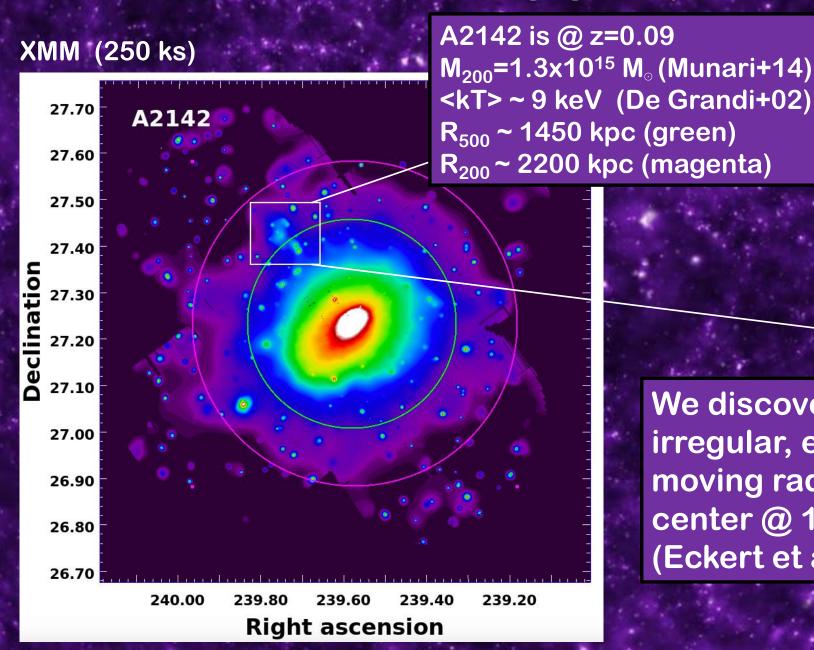
#### **Work in Progress**

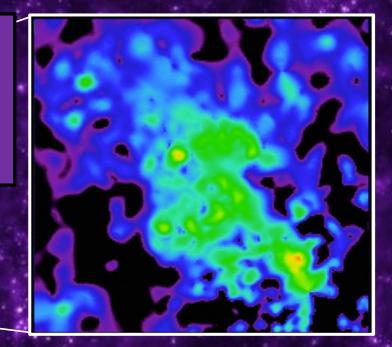
Hydro-dynamical simulations (E. Roediger et al., in prep.)

200 ks Chandra obs of LEDA (PI De Grandi, first 100ks obs Feb17)

DOLORES-TNG/VIMOS-VLT spectroscopy of galaxies (PI Girardi, in prep.)







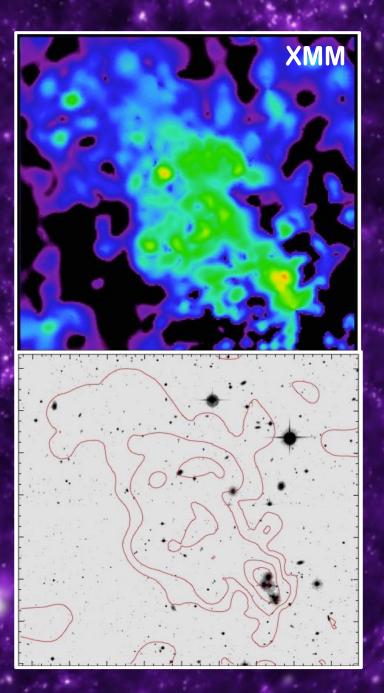
We discovered a group with irregular, elongated morphology moving radially towards the cluster center @ 1.5 Mpc. (Eckert et al. 2014)

- The tip is associated with a galaxy group (at least 5 with z<sub>spec</sub> confirmed members).
- The bulk of the gas is lagging behind the tip in the long fainter tail
- The tail is the most extended observed so far
   ~ 800 kpc

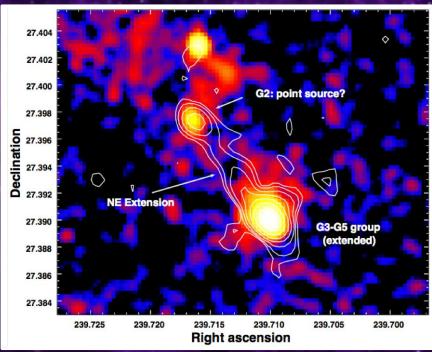


#### Disruption of an in-falling group onto A2142

- The emission behind the group (tail) comes from the intra-group gas that has been stripped by the ram-pressure of the ambient ICM
- The tip of the emission is the remaining unperturbed gas lying at the center of the group.

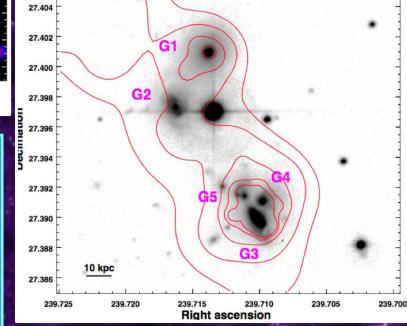


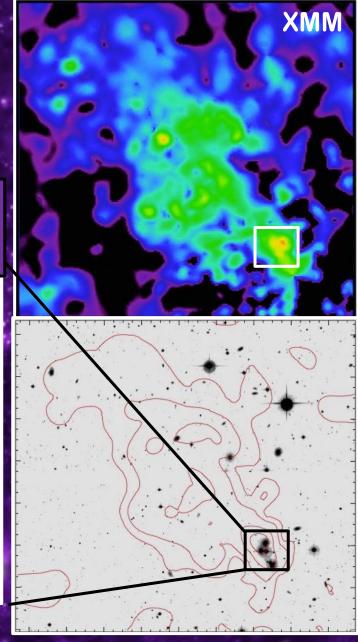
#### Chandra data - Eckert et al. 2017



GMRT radio contours at 610 MHz overlayed (Venturi et al. subm.) on *Chandra* 

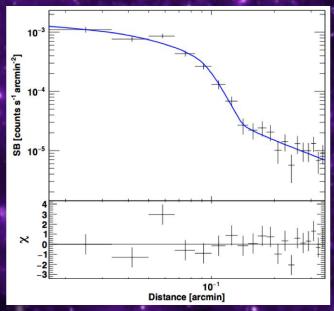
CFHT *g*-band image of the region with *Chandra* red contours



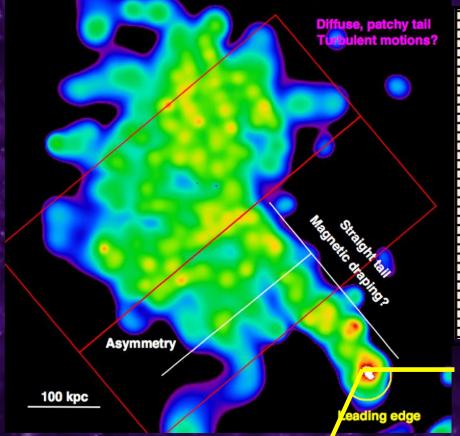


Complex structure of the tip: G3-G5 brightest X-ray structure with extended radio emission (NE head-tail morphology) consistent with group moving toward SW

#### 200 ks Chandra data Eckert et al. 2017



Density jump at the tip (leading edge) indicates a Cold Front



Chandra SB map shows complex geometry:

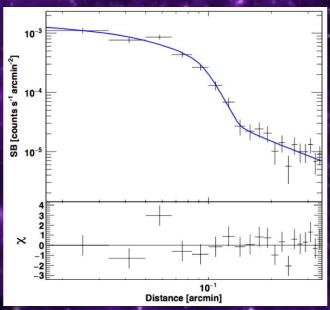
- straight narrow tail (~250 kpc)
- asymmetric, patchy region

Disturbance in the gas distribution of the group can be either due to:

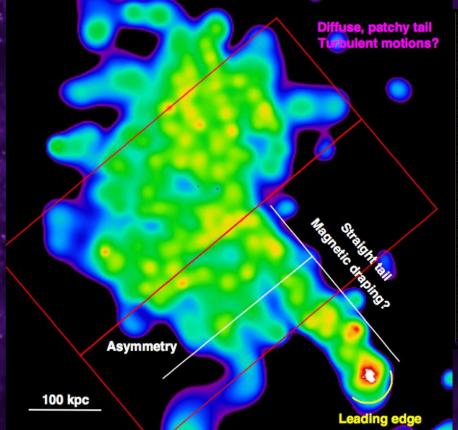
symmetry axis

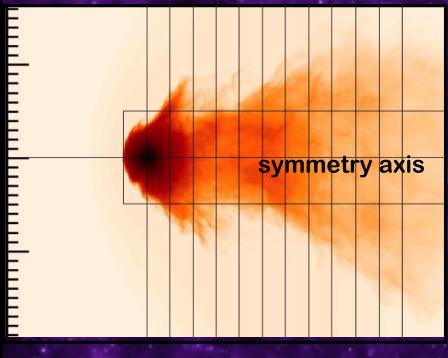
- gas sloshing in the group or
- expanding AGN outflows (e.g. Roediger in prep)

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Chandra measurements are consistent with a mild level of turbulence in the stripped gas with a Mach number in the range 0.1-0.25.

- The galaxy group is moving radially at infall velocity  $v_{group} \sim 1200 \; \mathrm{km/s}$
- The gas is significantly cooler (~1-2 keV) than the ambient ICM (~5 keV, Tchernin+16), typical of a group with M<sub>tot</sub>~ a few 10<sup>13</sup> M<sub>☉</sub>
- Comparing the gas mass in the tail with total gas mass of the group we find that

$$M_{gas,tail} \sim 90\% M_{gas,group}$$



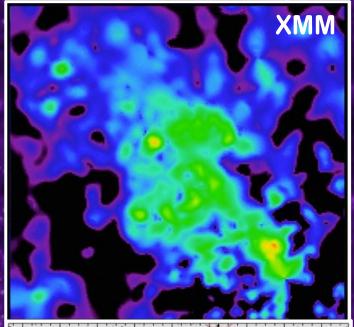
#### This group is in an advanced state of disruption

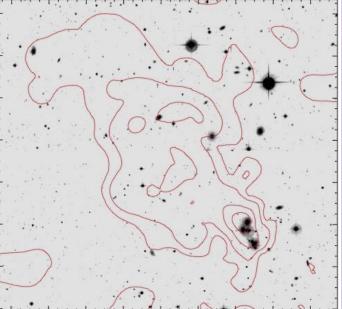
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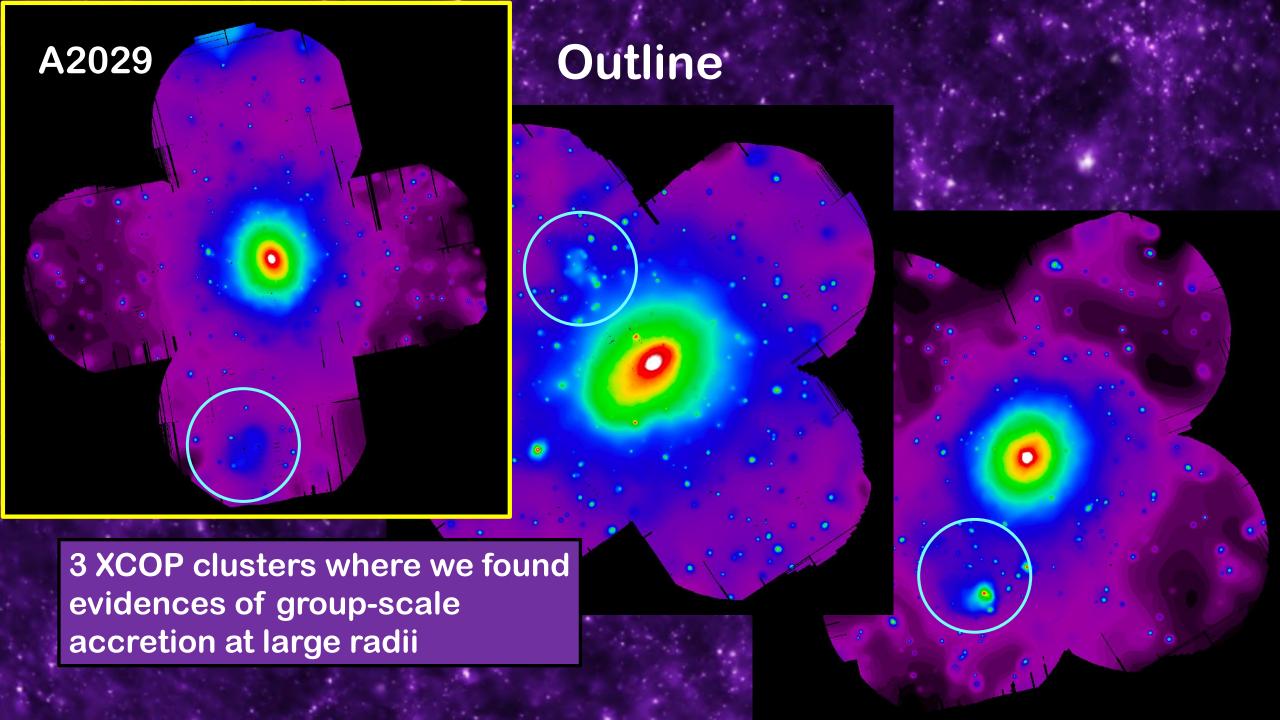
$$t_{age\ tail}/t_{cond} \geq 400$$



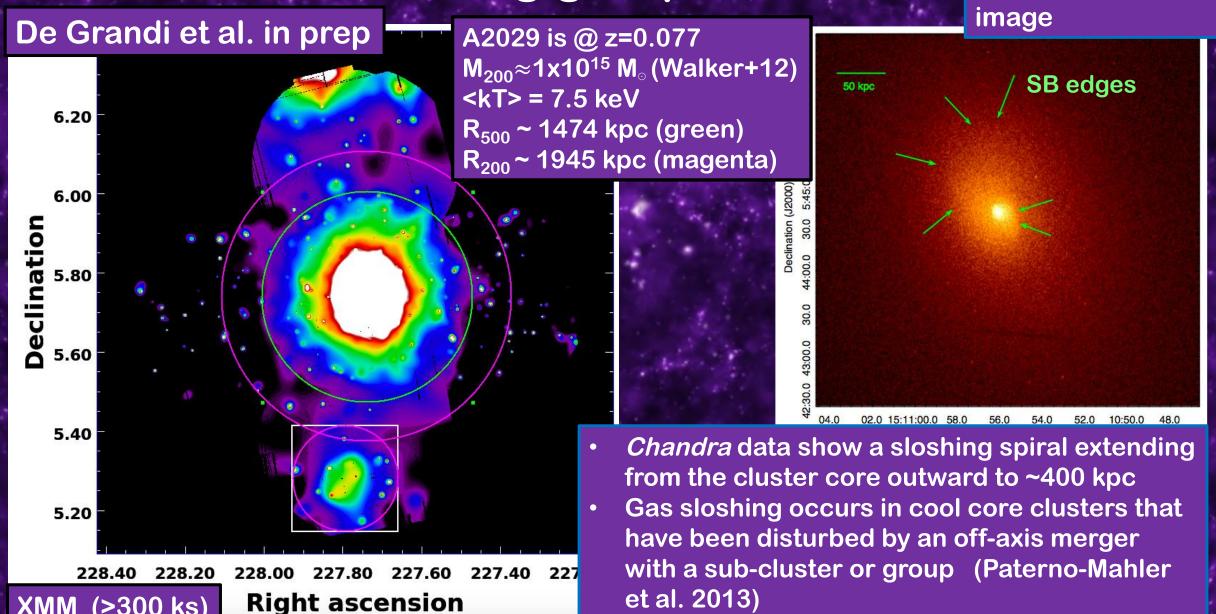
Thermal conduction in the ICM is strongly suppressed



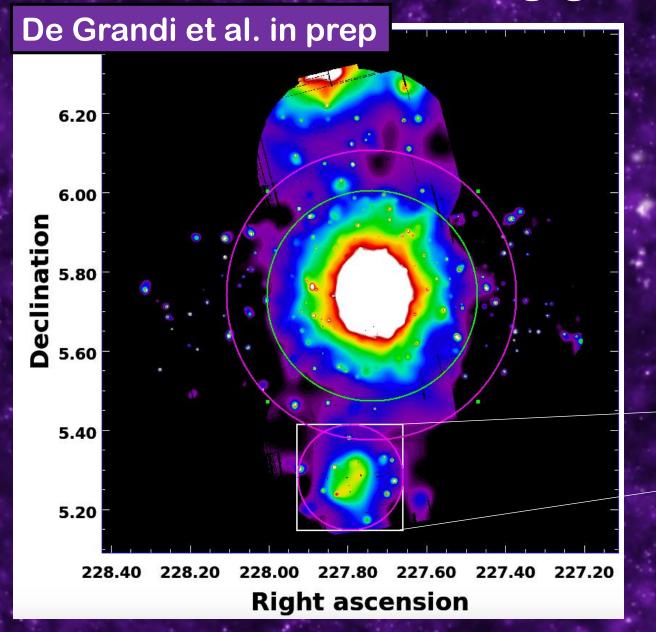


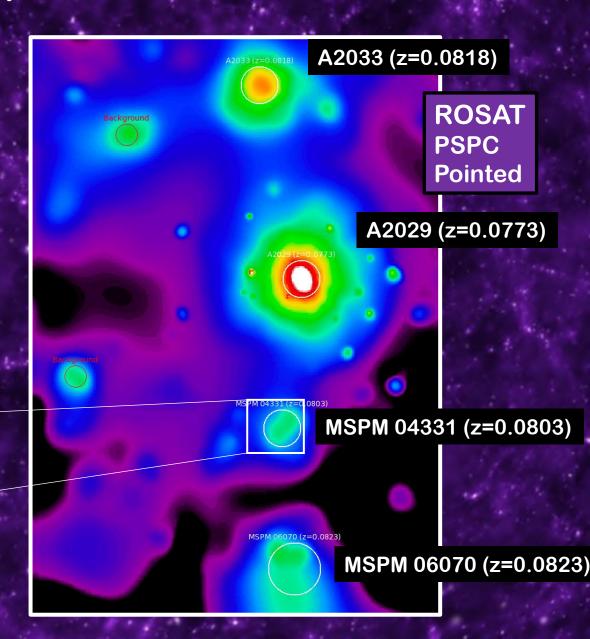


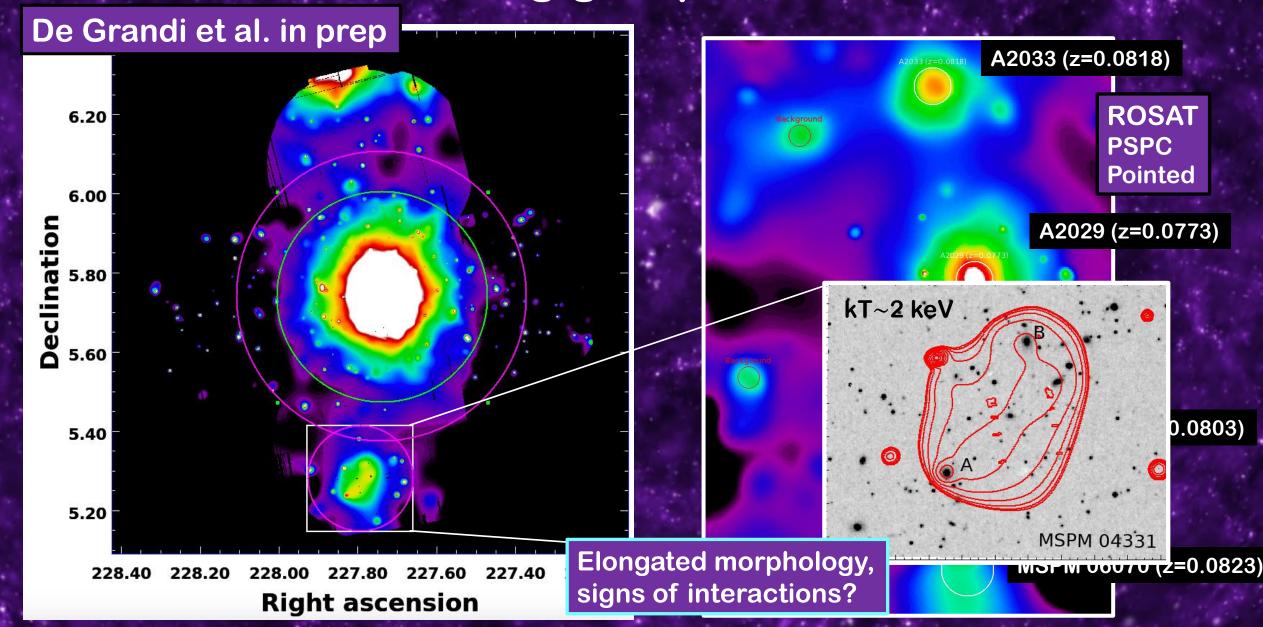
Chandra SB

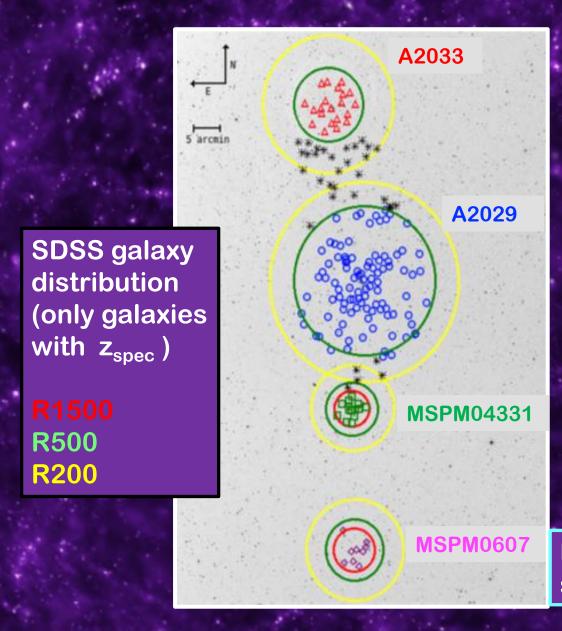


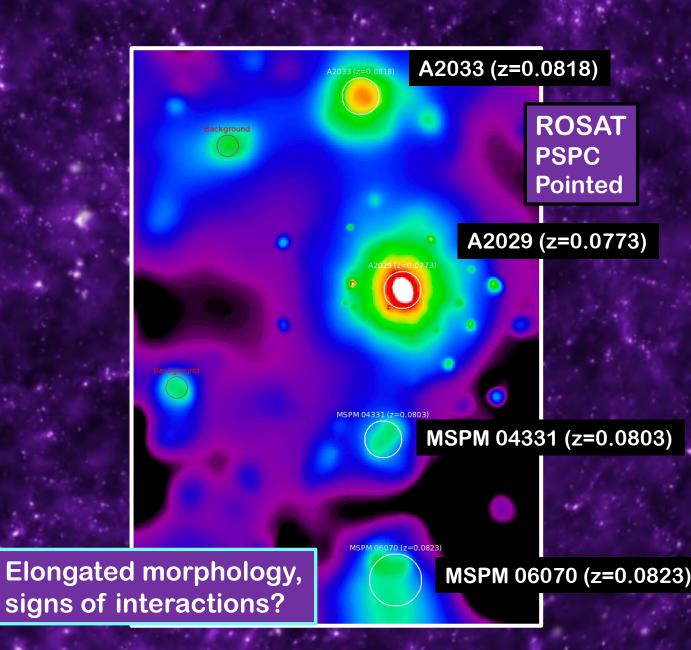
XMM (>300 ks)









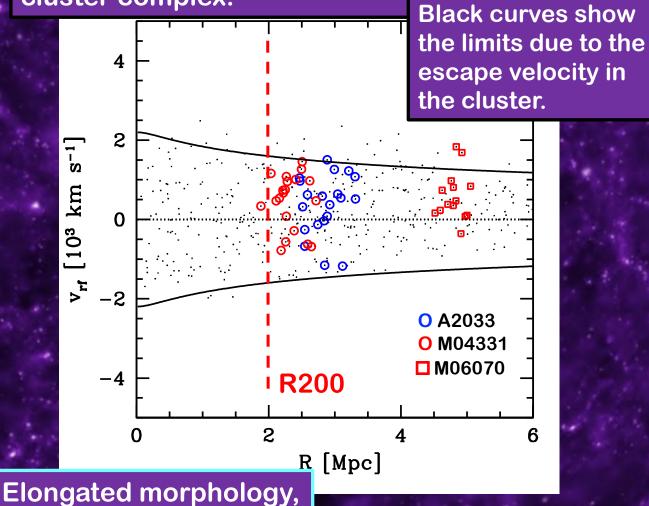


A2033 A2029 SDSS galaxy distribution (only galaxies with z<sub>spec</sub>) MSPM04331

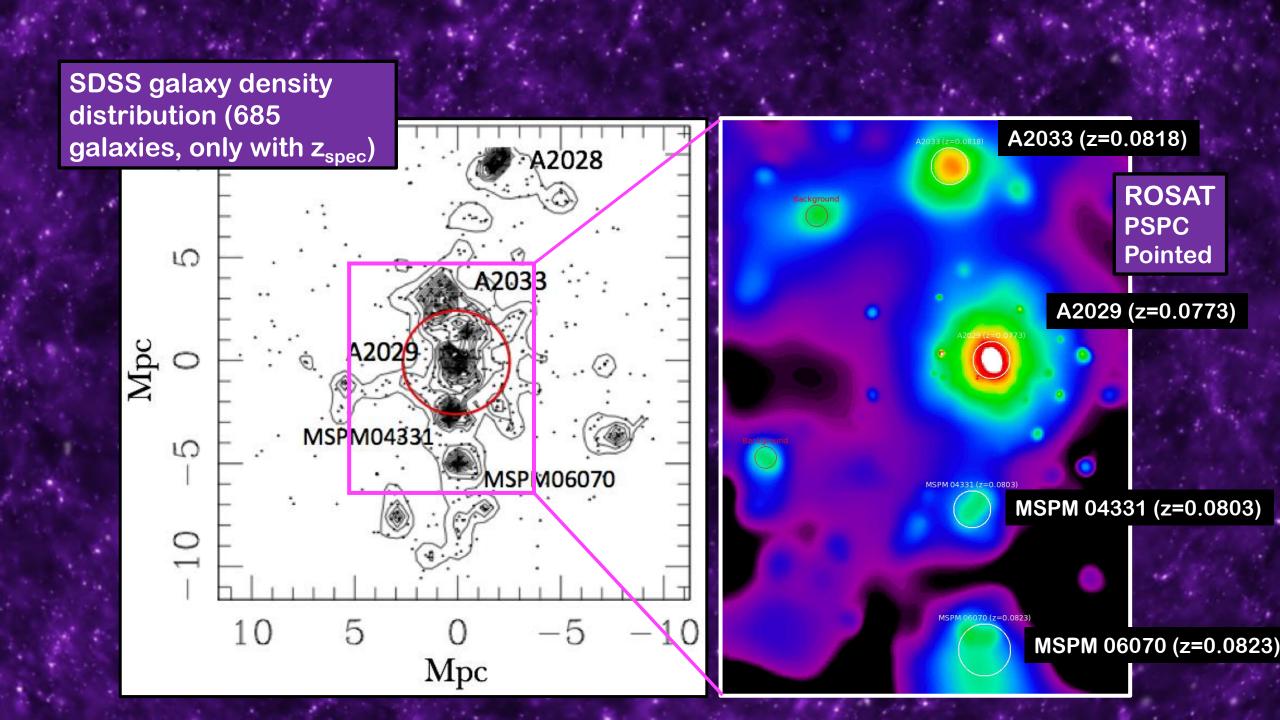
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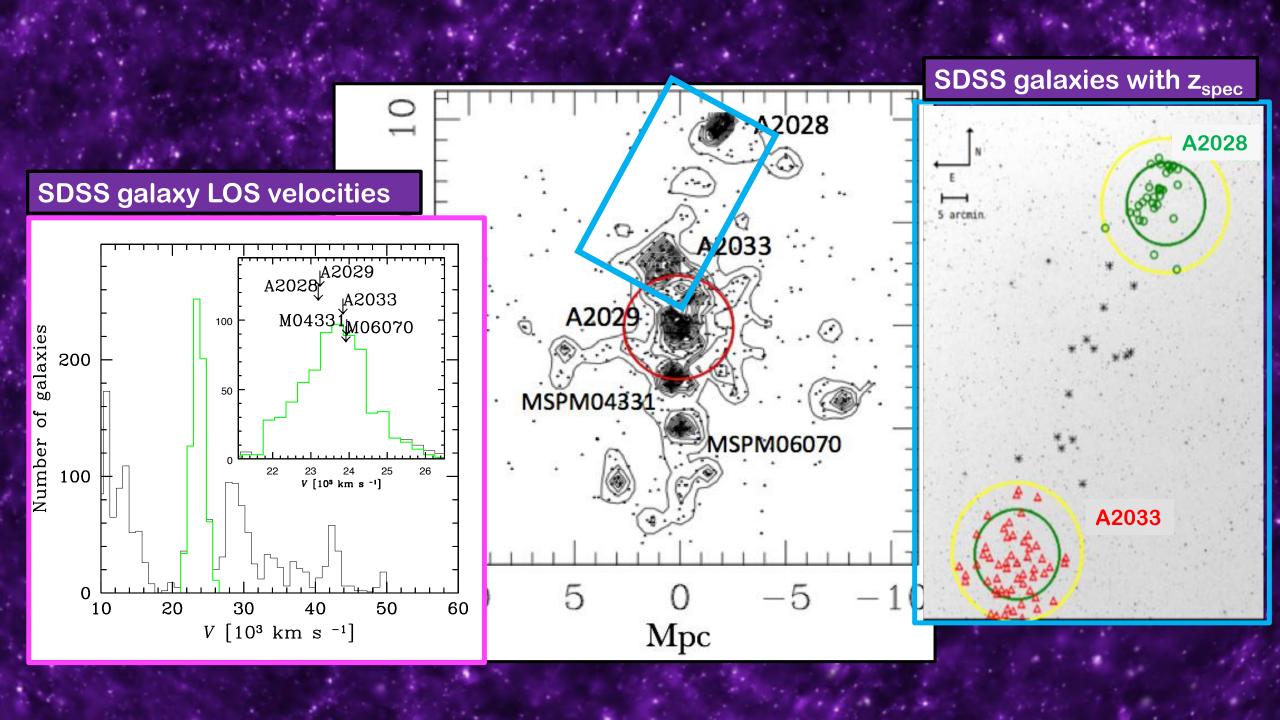
**R200** 

Rest-frame LOS velocity vs. projected distance from the center of A2029 of the spectroscopic 685 members of the cluster complex.

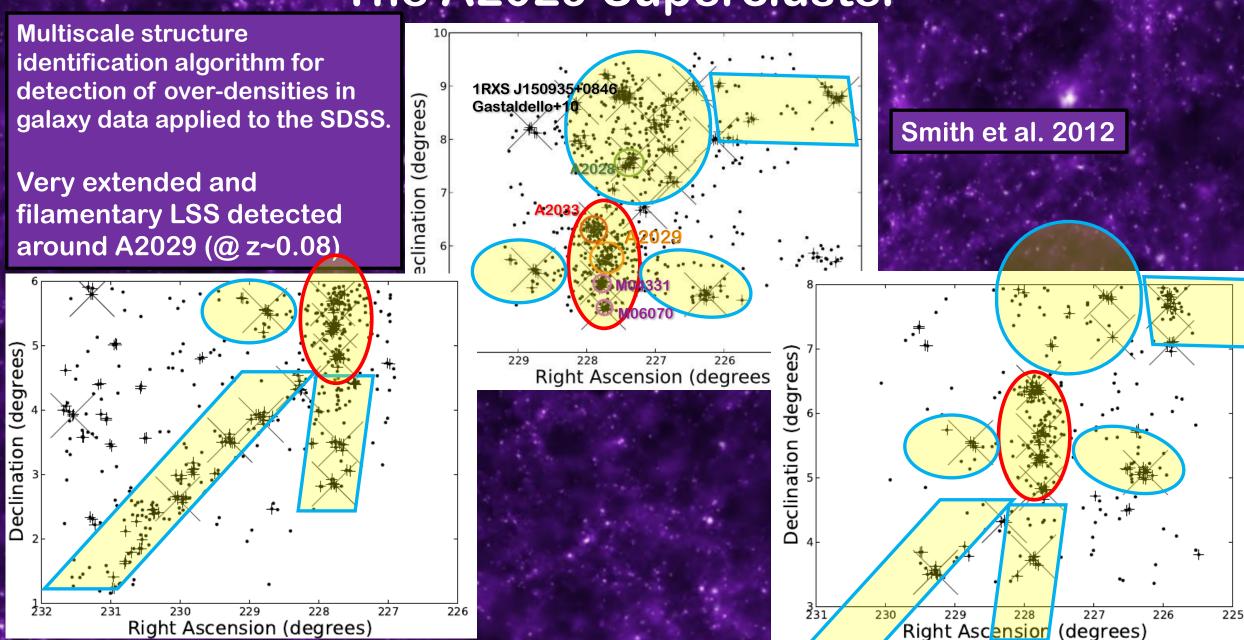


signs of interactions?





The A2029 Supercluster



#### Summary

- We found spectacular evidences of accreting structures in the outskirts of A2142 and Hydra A (A2029 in prep).
- The X-ray structures are associated with infalling galaxy groups with M<sub>tot</sub> of a few 10<sup>13</sup> M<sub>☉</sub>
- The X-ray gas trails behind the core of the structures because of ram-pressure stripping over ~ Mpc scales
- Ram-pressure stripping is efficient already at large distance from the cluster core
- The long survival of the tails brings direct evidence that thermal conduction is strongly suppressed at these radii
- Group-size accretion is a frequent phenomenon (3/13, but we have other candidates, work in progress)
- Stay tuned! More is coming soon from a statistical analysis of the accretion at large radii from the whole X-COP sample.

