The AGN-Galaxy Connection: The interaction between supermassive black holes and their host galaxies

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- Virgo - interactions galore; stripping at work, M87 outbursts
- Galaxy Survey (not BCGs)
  - magnitude limited sample

    AND
  - Chandra targeted galaxies

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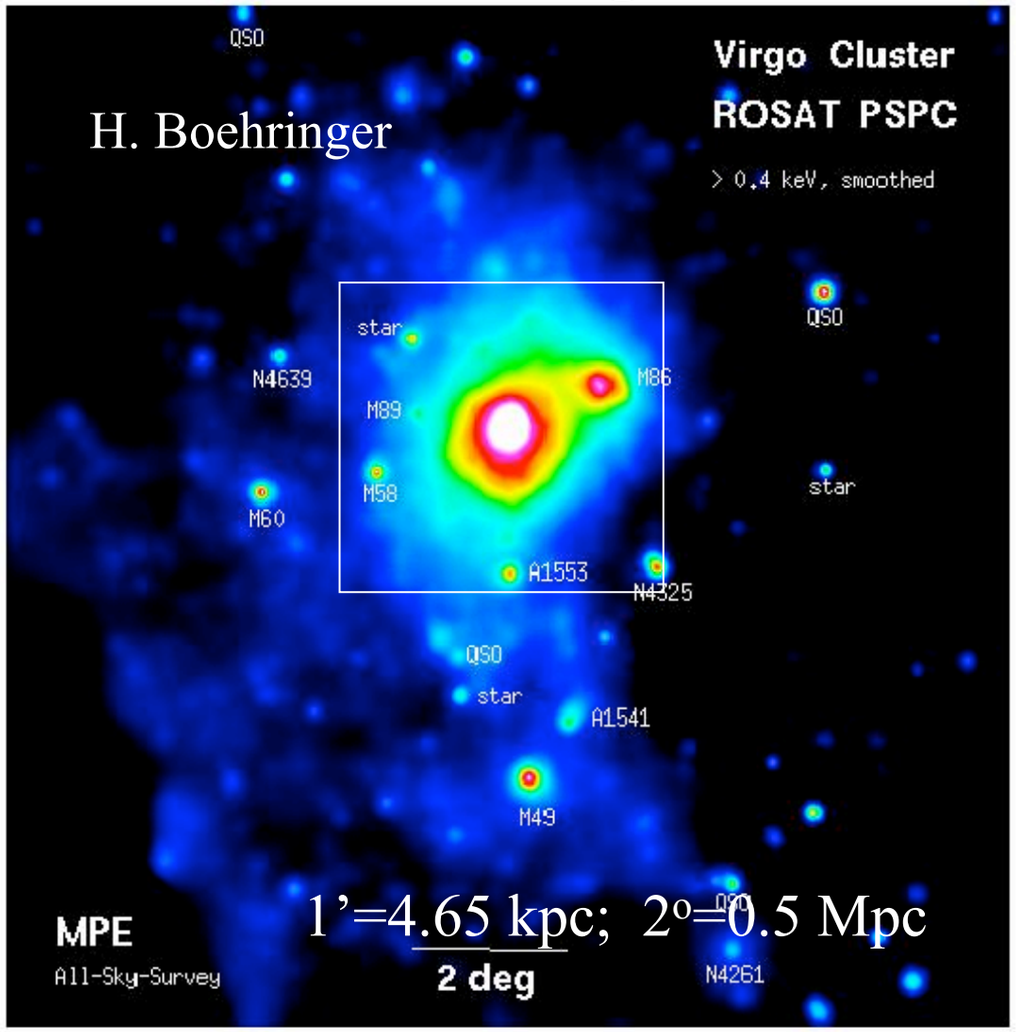
Virgo Cluster - X-ray/Optical



1) Optically luminous early-type galaxies are (hot) gas rich - up to 10^{10} M_{sun}

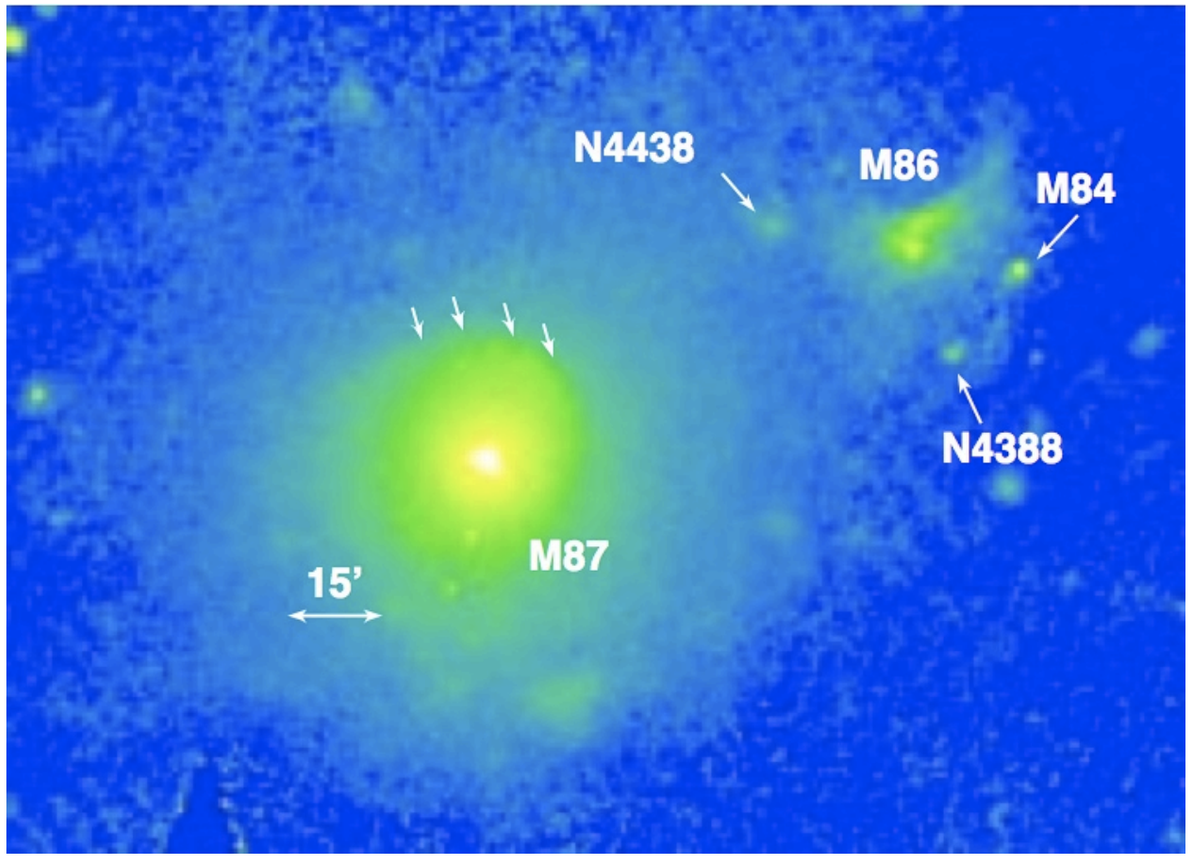
Virgo is dynamically young

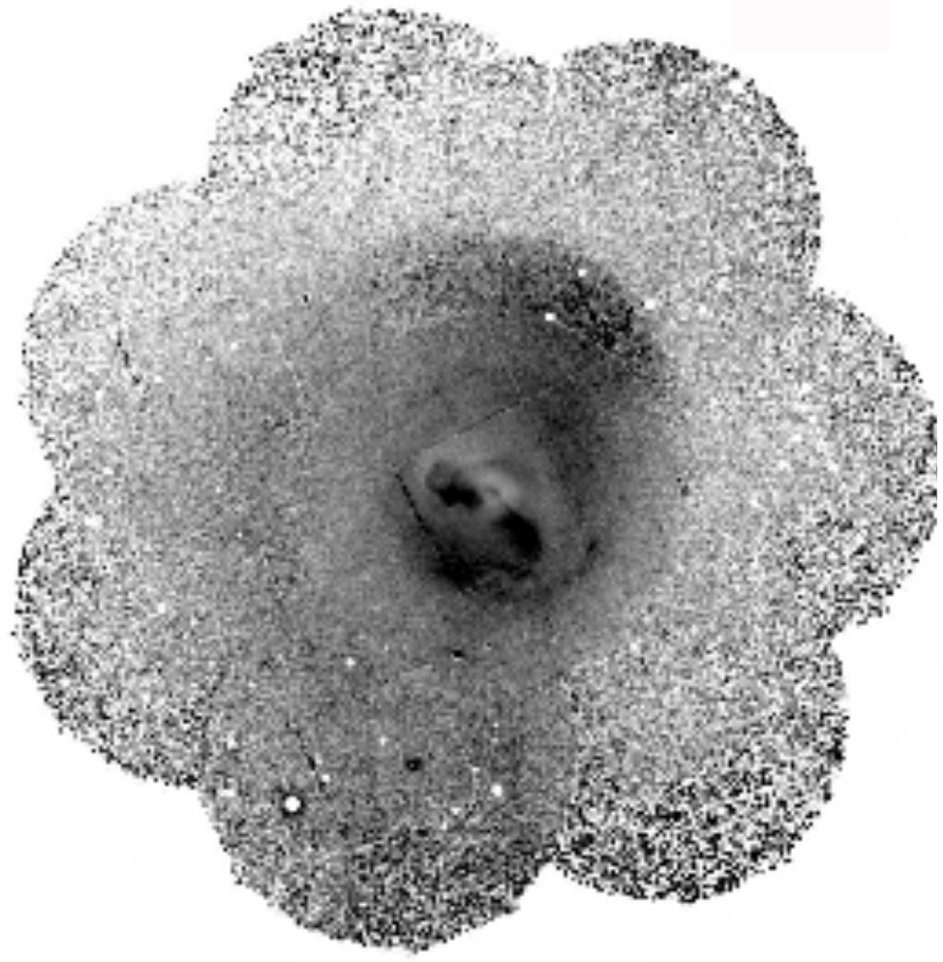
extensive merging, stripping

2) M87 is central dominant galaxy

- Clear from X-ray image
- M87 is 50 x more X-ray luminous than NGC4472
- NGC4472 (a bit) optically more luminous than M87
- M87 hosts $6 \times 10^9 M_{sun}$ supermassive black hole and jet
- Classic cooling flow (24 M_{sun}/yr)
- Ideal system to study SMBH/gas interaction

Gas Sloshing in M87

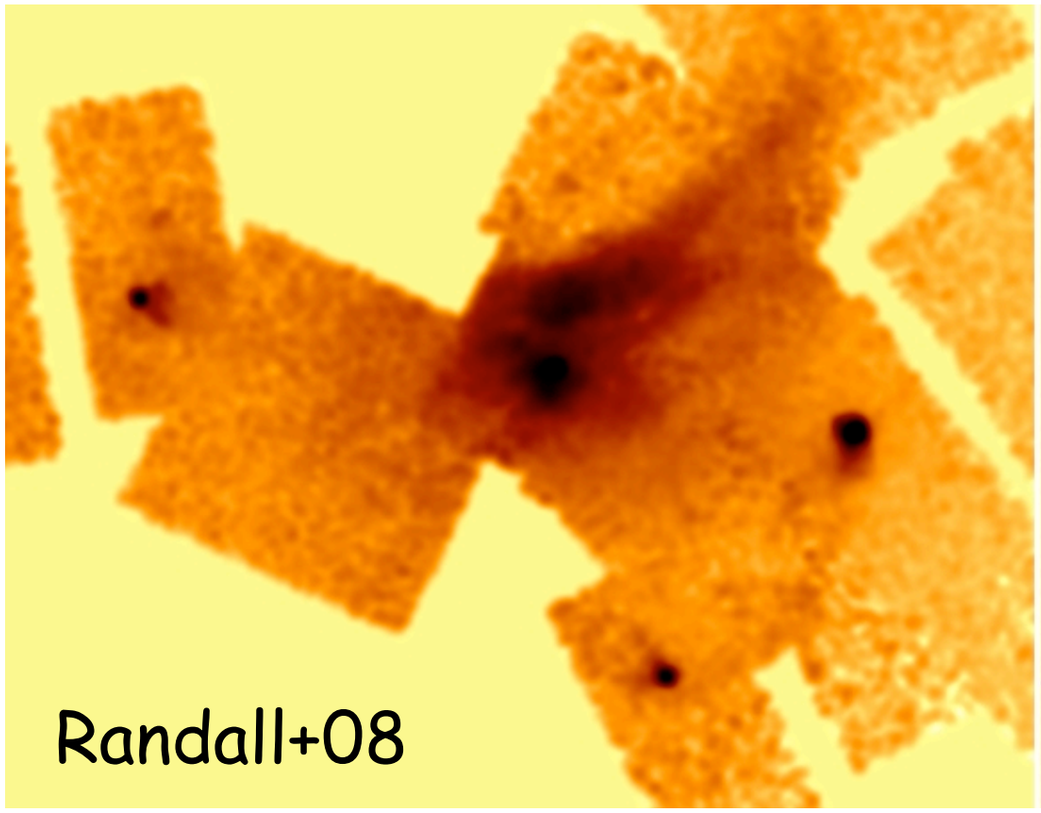


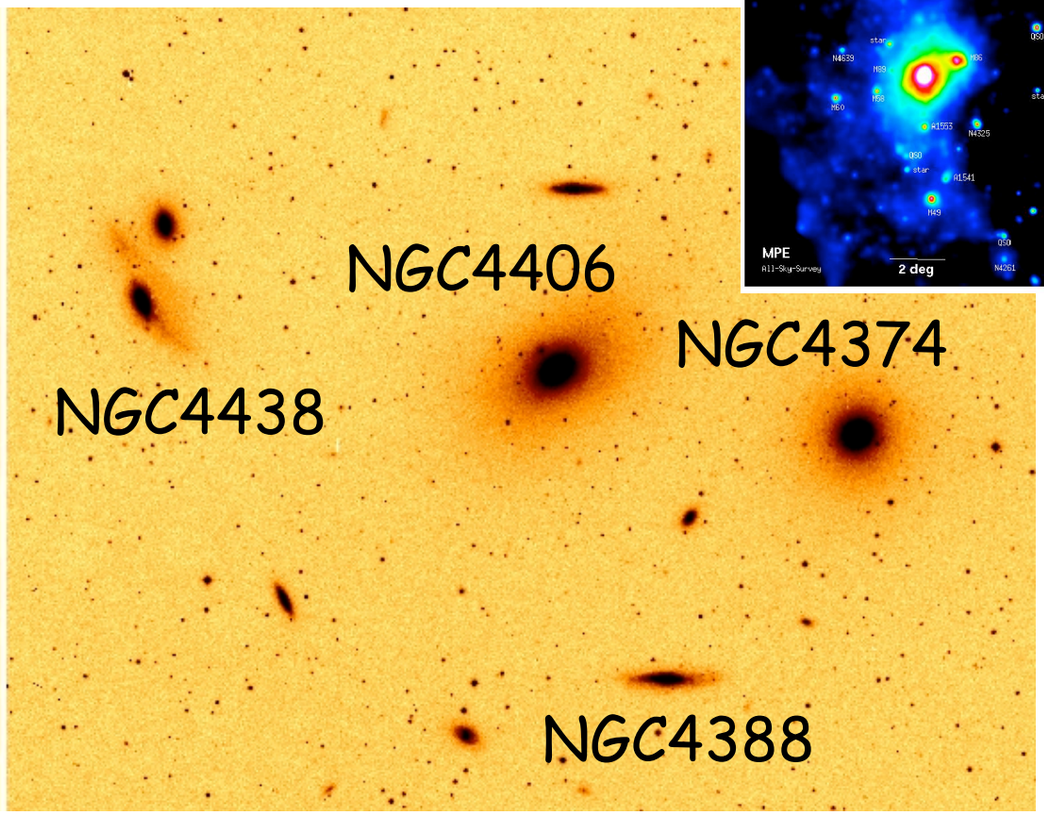


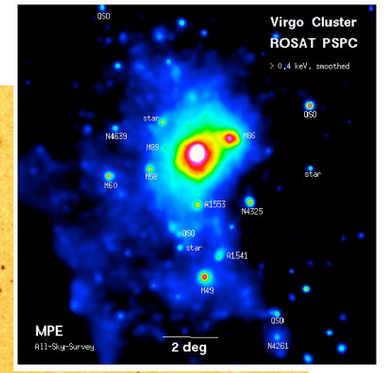
M87 shows gas “sloshing”

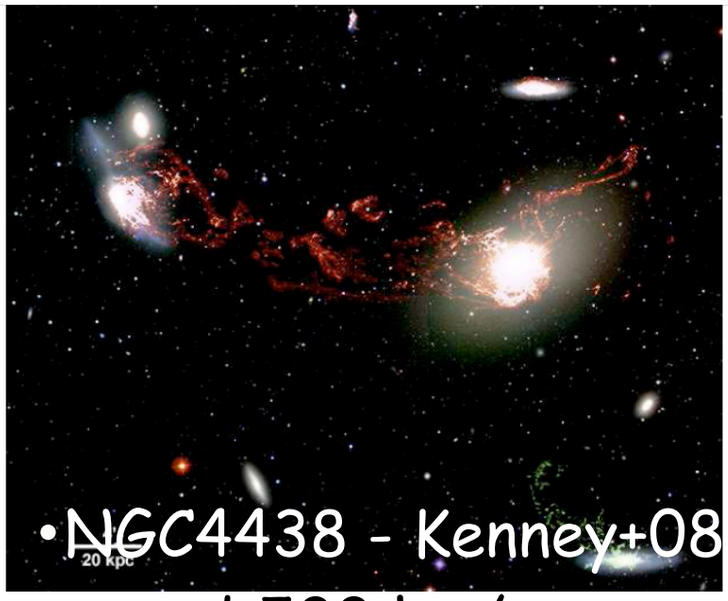
- “Edge”, contact discontinuity - cold front at ~100kpc
  (Simionescu+10 from XMM-Newton)
- Very common (14/18) in “peaked” clusters (Markvitch+03)
- see Markevitch & Vikhlinin 2007 for a review
- Driven by mergers

M86=NGC4406 closeup









- NGC4438 - Kenney+08
  - red<500 km/s
  - green >2000 km/s

- Ram pressure stripped tails everywhere
  - M86/NGC4406 (v=-244 km/s) Randall+08
  - M84/NGC4374 (v=1060 km/s) Jones/Finguenov02
  - NGC4438 (v=71 km/s) Machacek+04
  - NGC4388 (v=2524 km/s)
- Complex multi-component environment
  - Kenney+08 - Hα filaments
  - HI filament - Oosterloo & van Gorkom 05

X-ray and Radio View of M87

- Multiple - at least three - AGN outbursts
- Two X-ray "arms" - produced by buoyant radio bubbles
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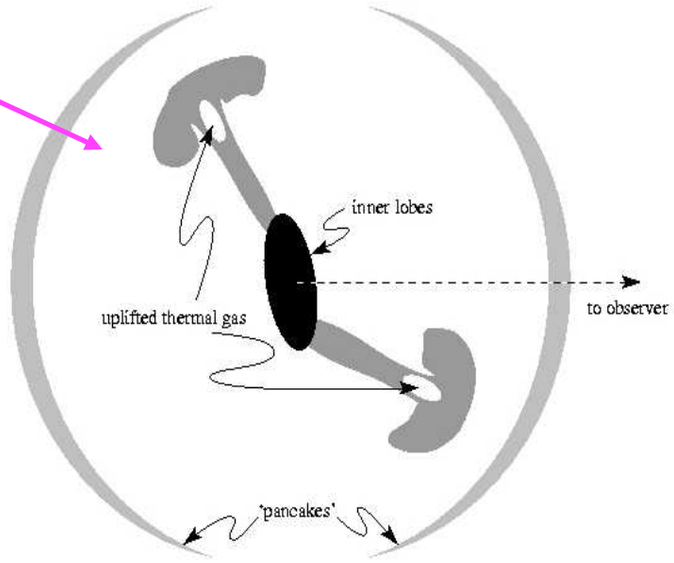

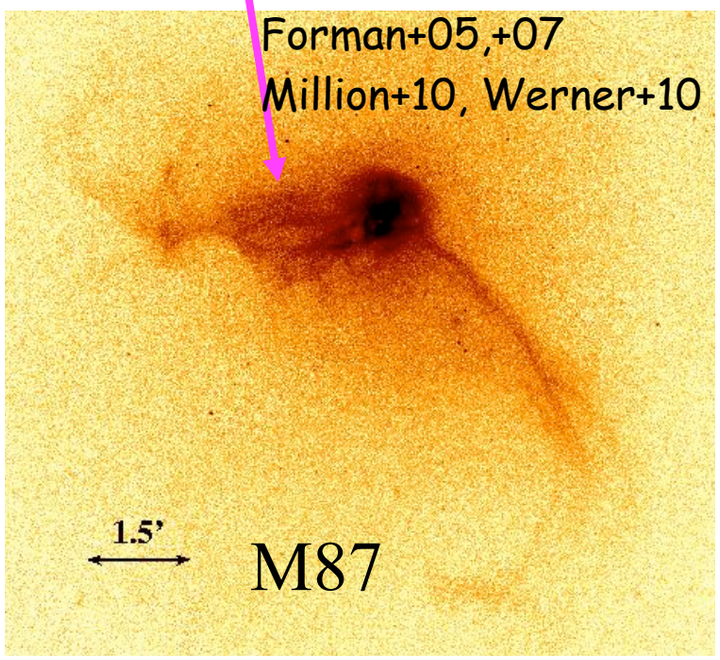

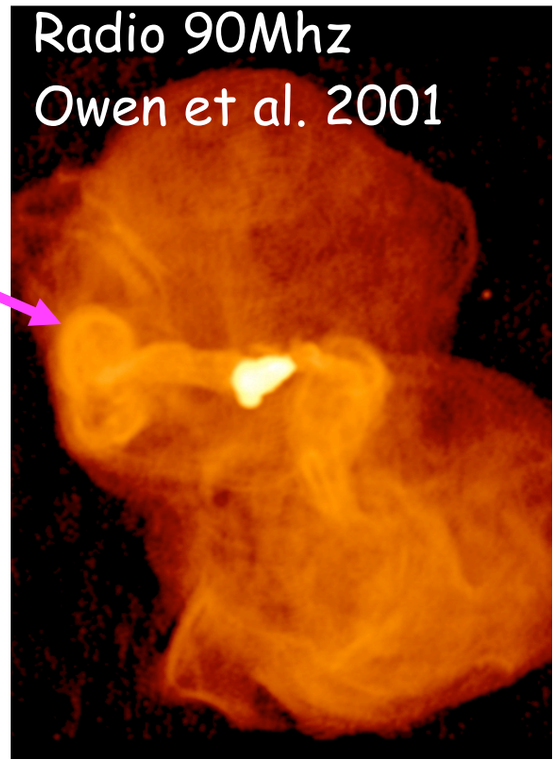

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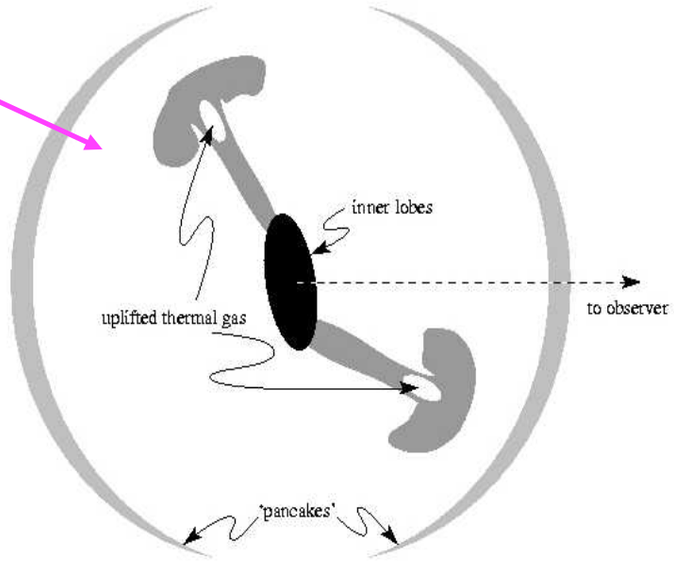

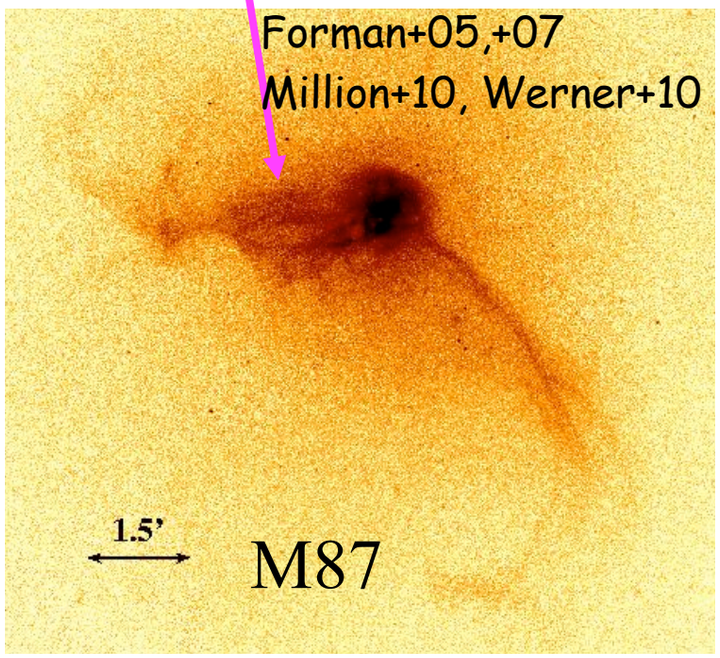

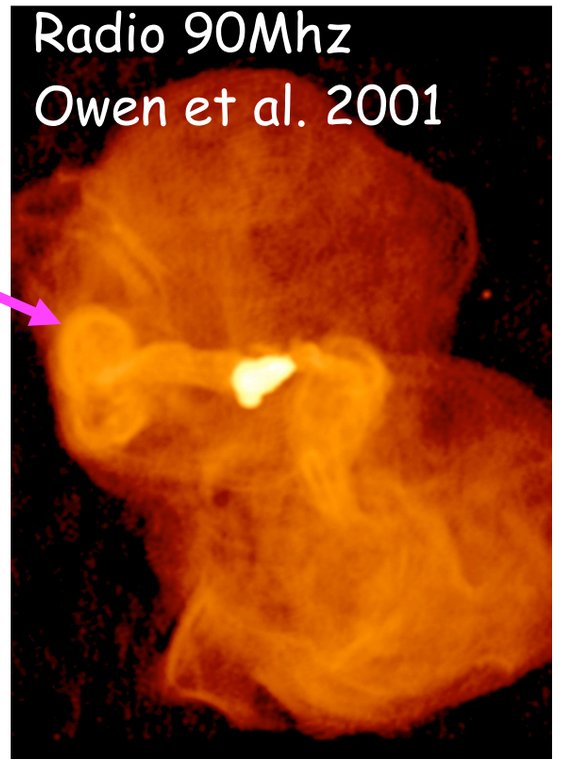

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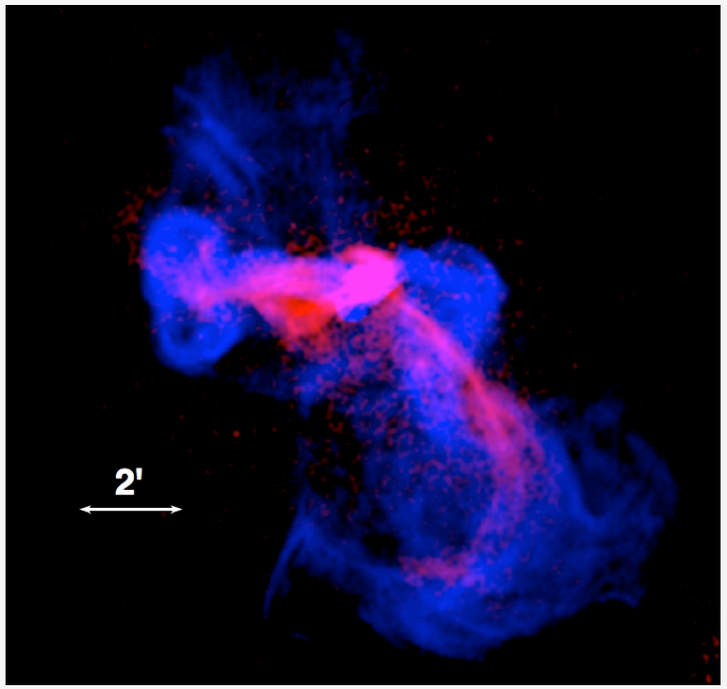
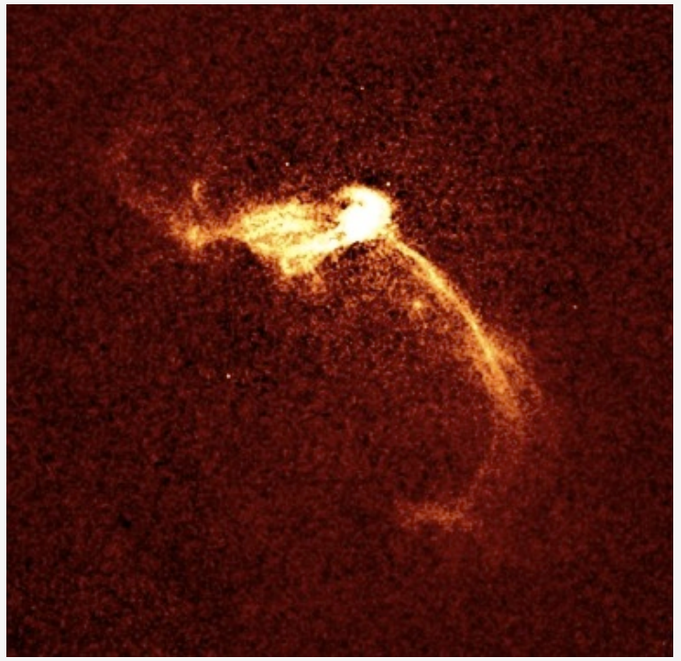
Filaments in M87



(Forman+07)

M87 (1′=4.65 kpc)

- bubbles (radio)
- cavities (X-ray)
- filaments

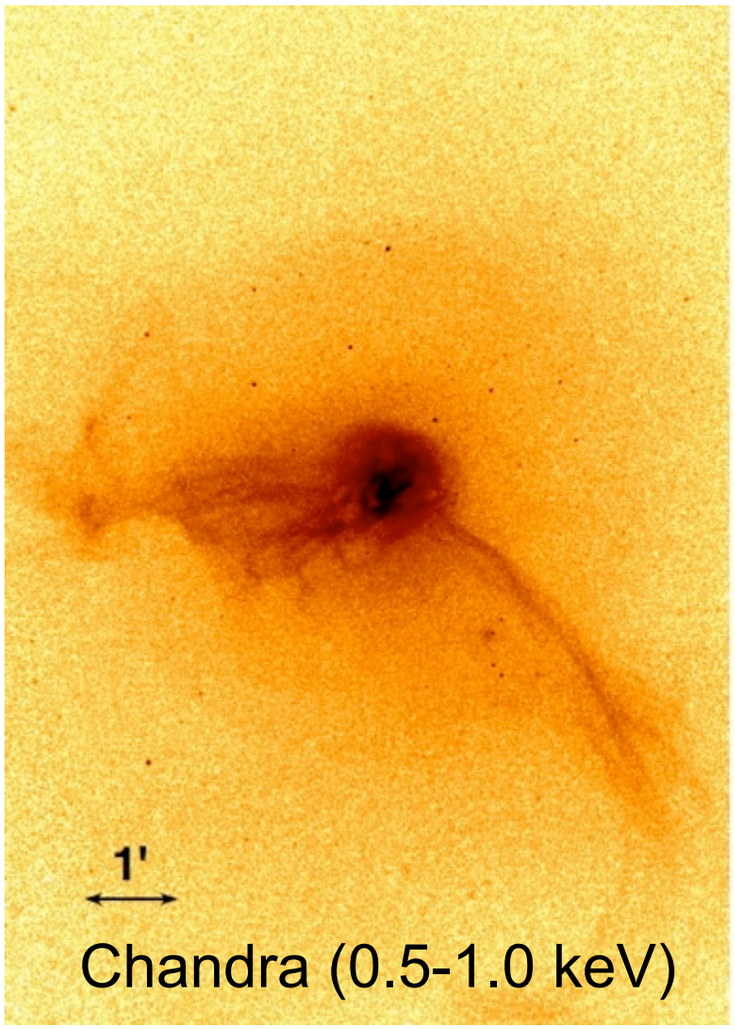


Arms

- 15-30° to l-o-s (jet is ~20°)
- kT~ 1 keV
- filling factor ~1
- cooling time ~ buoyancy time
- M_{gas} ~ 5-10 x 10^8 M_{sun}

(Werner+2010; Molendi 2002)

Feedback - M87



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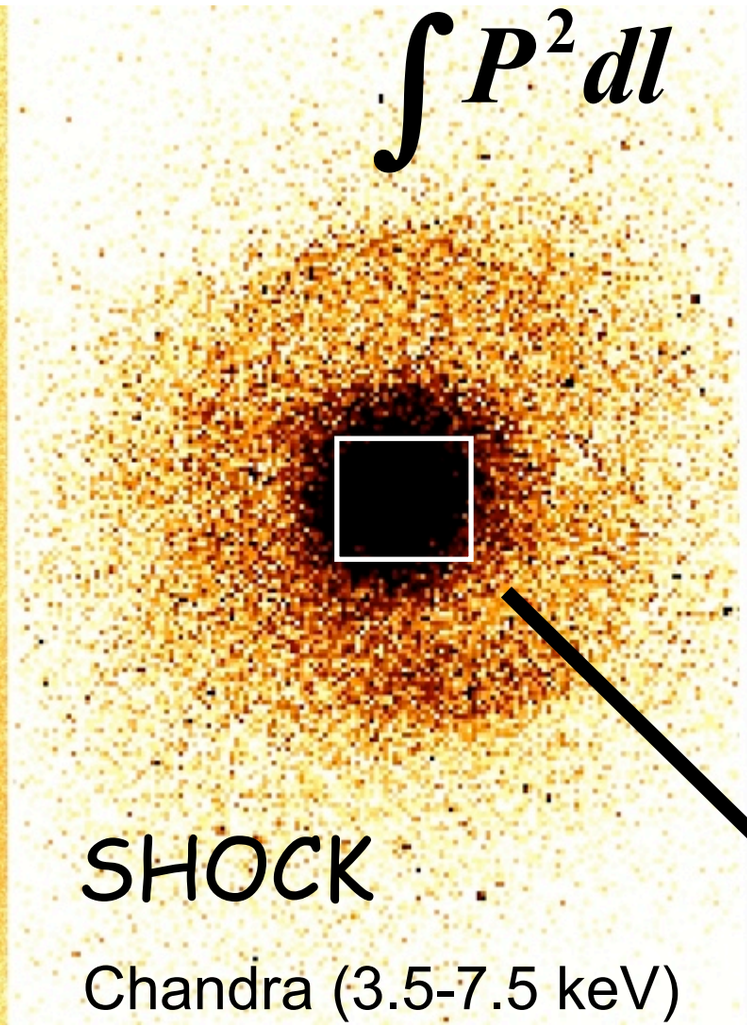
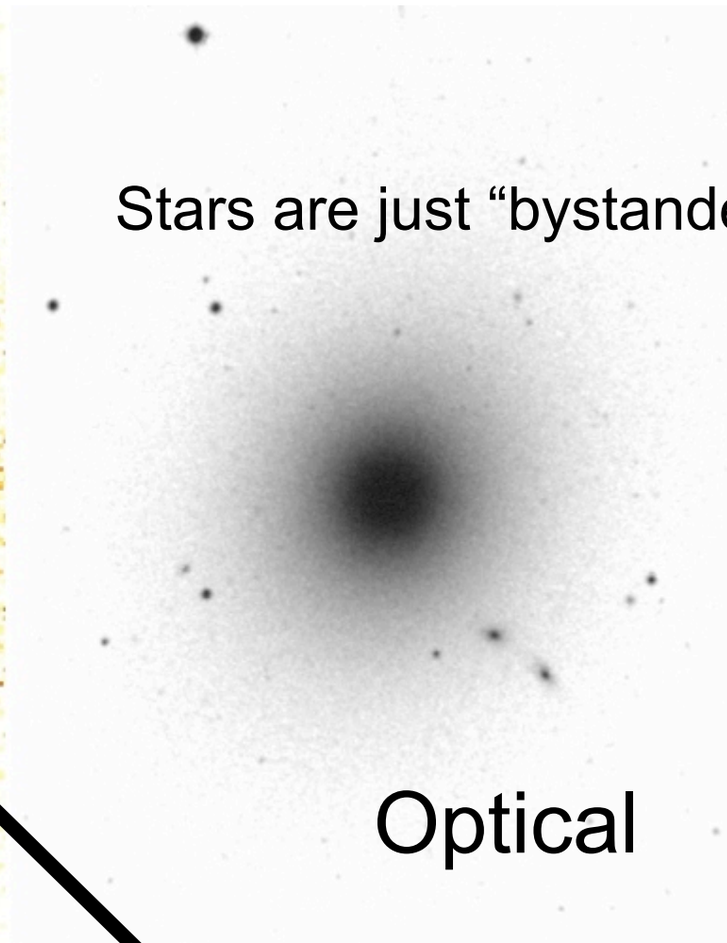
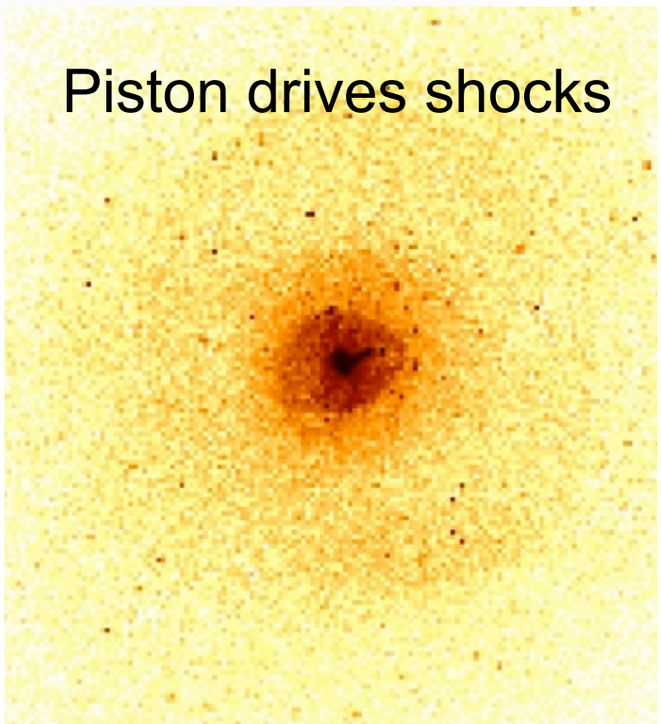


Stars are just “bystanders”



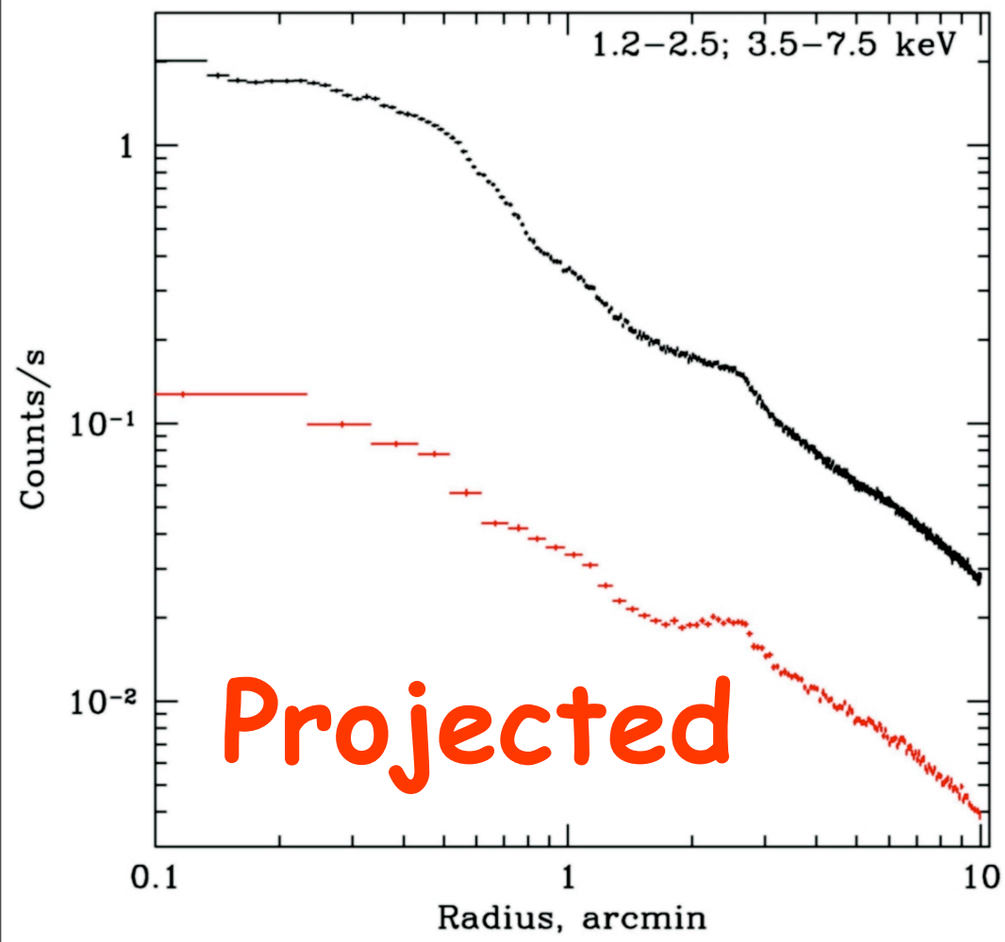


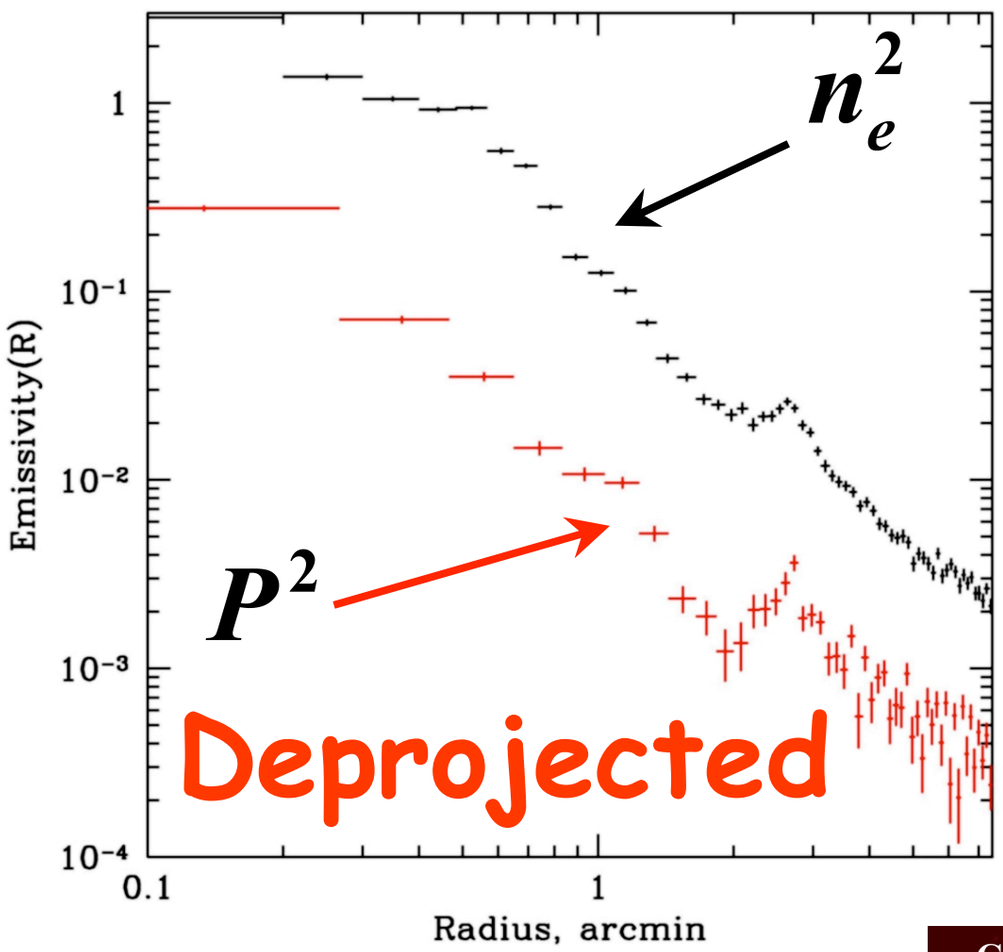
- Black hole = 6.6×10^9 solar masses (Gebhardt+11
- SMBH drives jets and shocks
- Inflates “bubbles” of relativistic plasma
- Heats surrounding gas
- Model to derive detailed shock properties

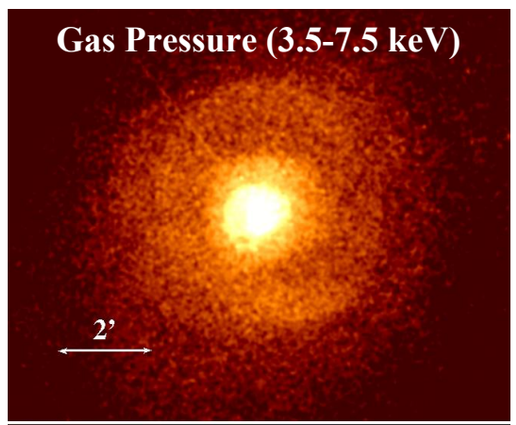
Shock Model - the data

Hard (3.5-7.5 keV) pressure

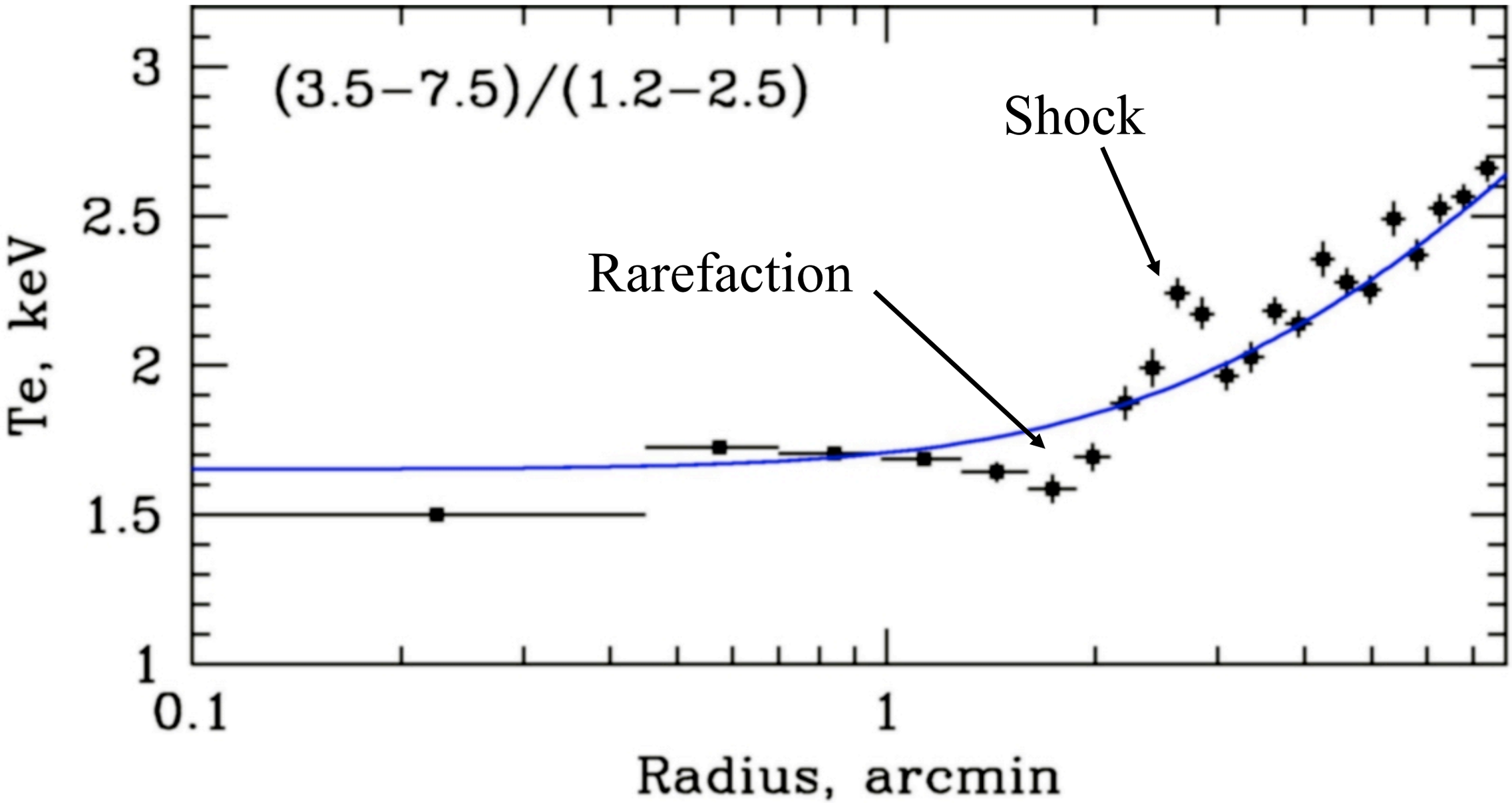
soft (1.2-2.5 keV) density profiles







Deprojected Gas Temperature



Textbook Example of Shocks

Consistent density and temperature jumps

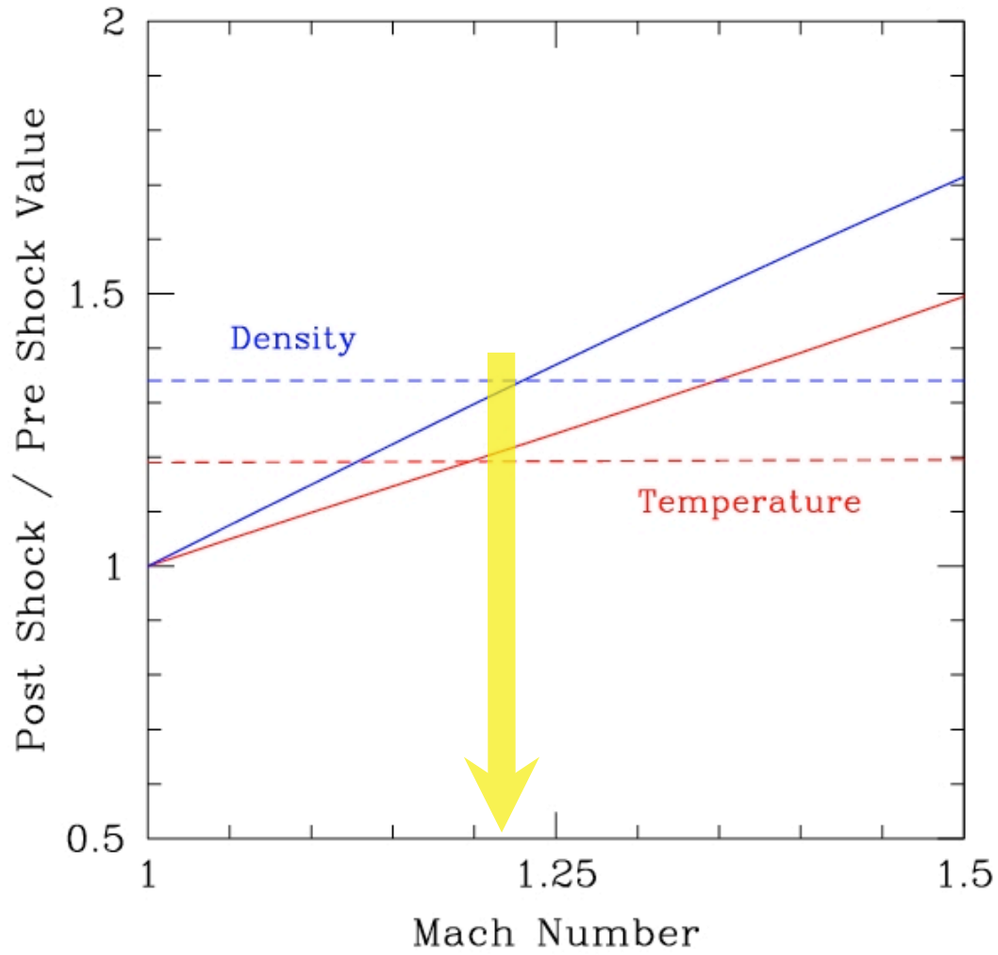
Rankine-Hugoniot Shock Jump Conditions

$$\rho_2/\rho_1 = \frac{(\gamma+1)M^2}{(\gamma+1)+(\gamma-1)(M^2-1)}$$

$$\rho_2/\rho_1 = 1.34$$

$$T_2/T_1 = \frac{\left[(\gamma+1)+2\gamma(M^2-1)\right]\left[(\gamma+1)+(\gamma-1)(M^2-1)\right]}{(\gamma+1)^2 M^2}$$

$$T_2/T_1 = 1.18$$



yield same Mach number:

(M_T=1.24 M_ρ=1.18)

M=1.2

M87 Outburst Model

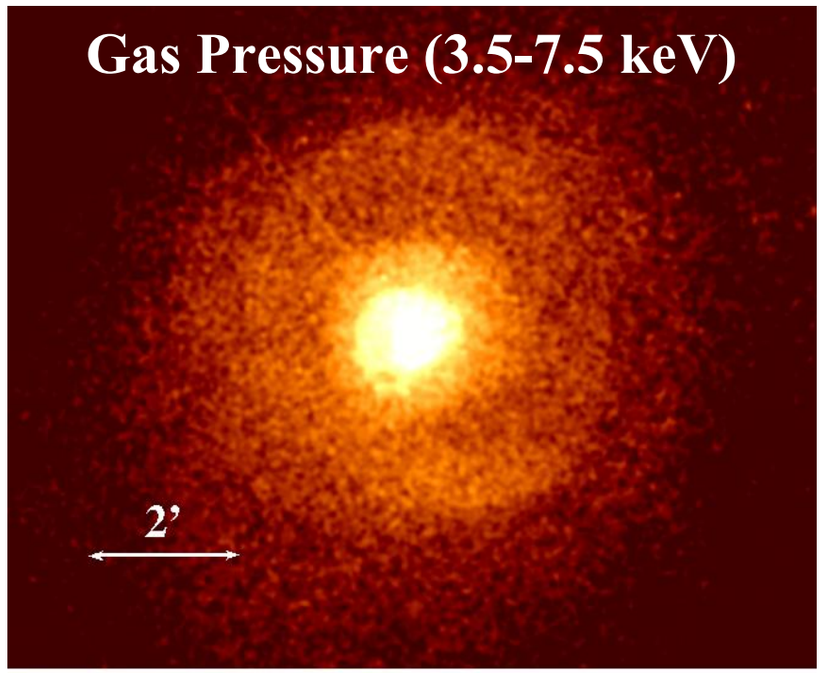
Detect shock (X-ray) and driving piston (radio)

Classical (textbook) shock M=1.2 (temperature and density independently)

Outburst constrained by:

Size of driving piston (radius of cocoon)

Measured T_2/T_1, ρ_2/ρ_1 (p_2/p_1)



Outburst Model

Age ~ 12 Myr

Energy ~ 5×10^{57} erg

Bubble 50%

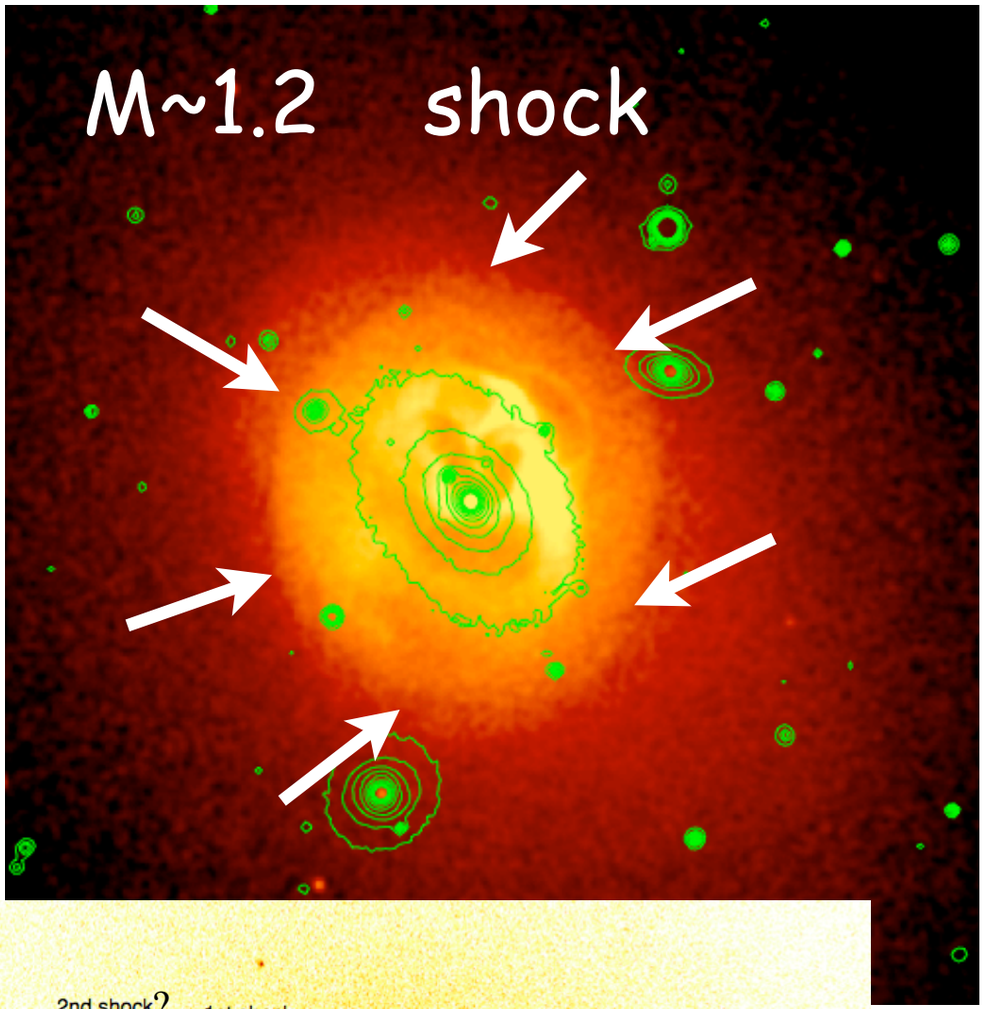
Shocked gas 25% (25% carried away by weak wave)

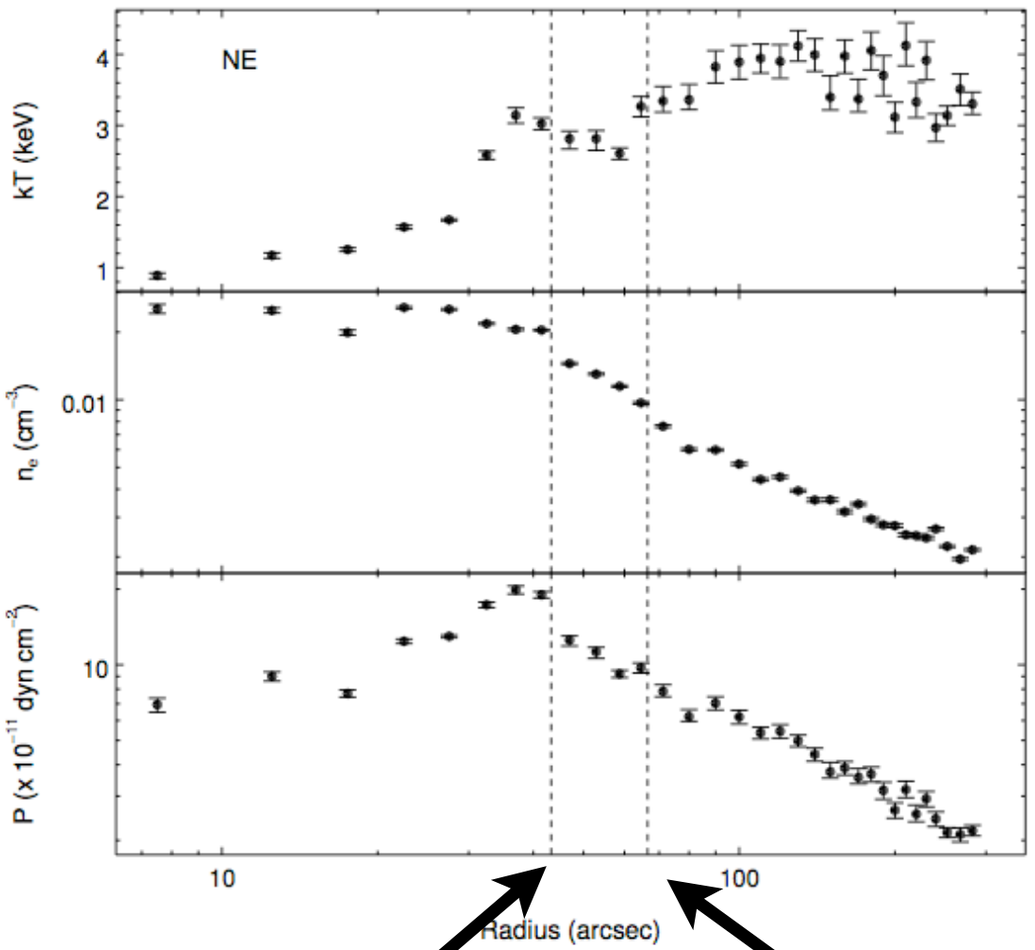
Outburst duration ~ 2-5 Myr

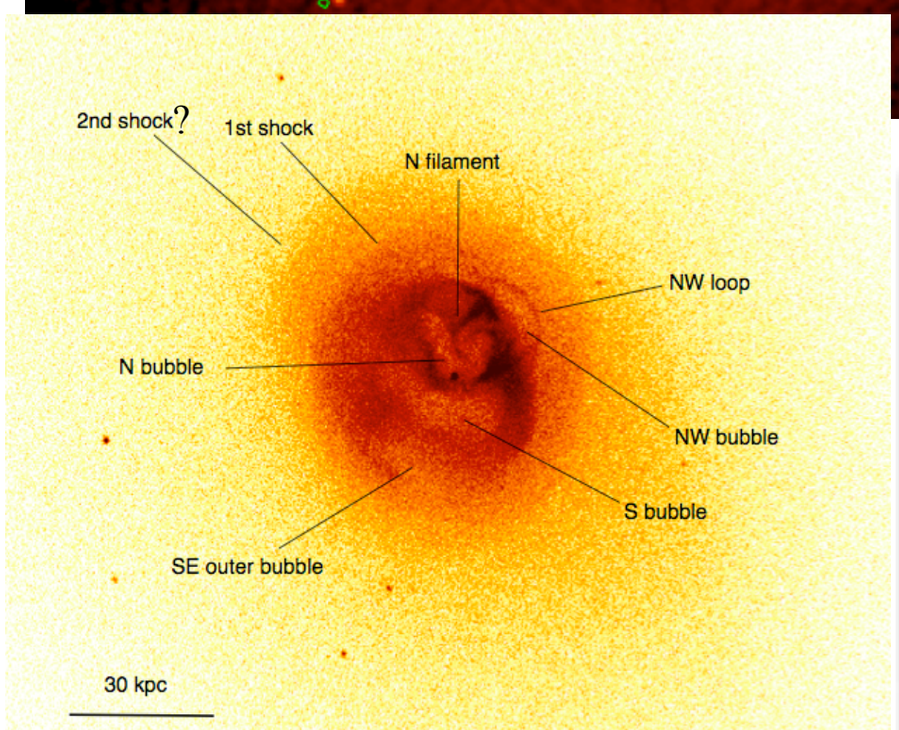
Outburst energy "balances" cooling (few 10^{43} erg/sec)

AGN outbursts - key to feedback in galaxy evolution, growth of SMBH

Abell 2052 - Blanton+11



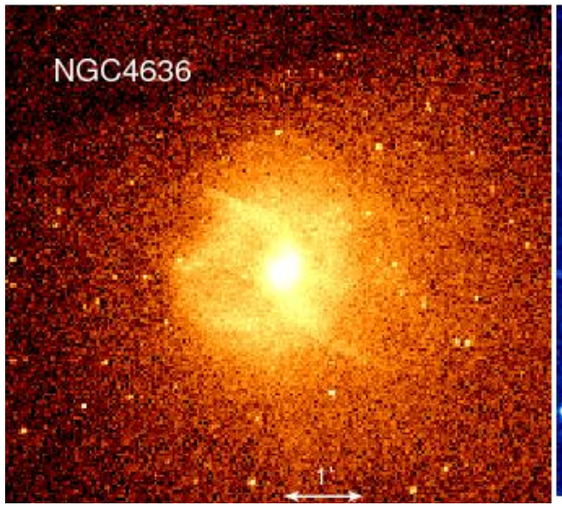


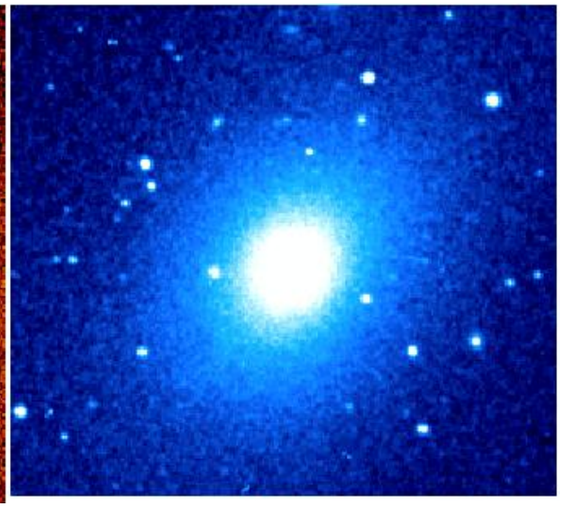


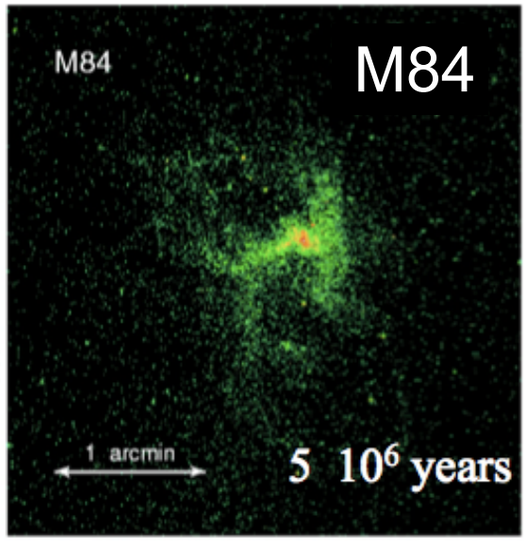
M~1.17 shock
nearly spherical
consistent density/
temperature jumps

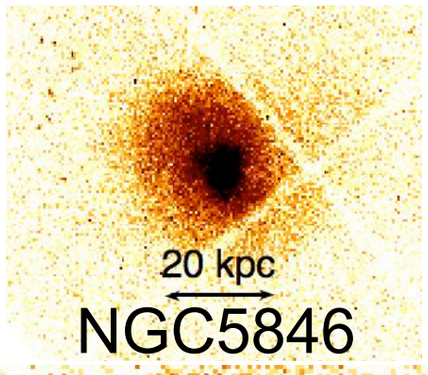
Second
feature
shock or
cold front?

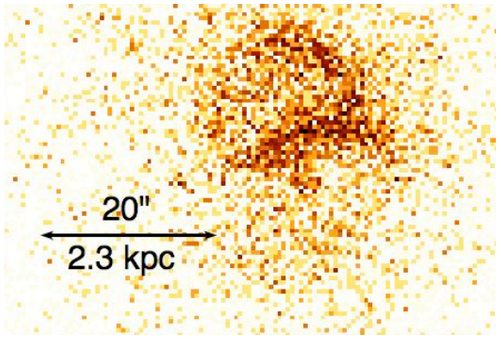
Gas Rich Early Type Galaxies











As a class, luminous early type galaxies ($L_K > 10^{11} L_{sun}$) have hot corona

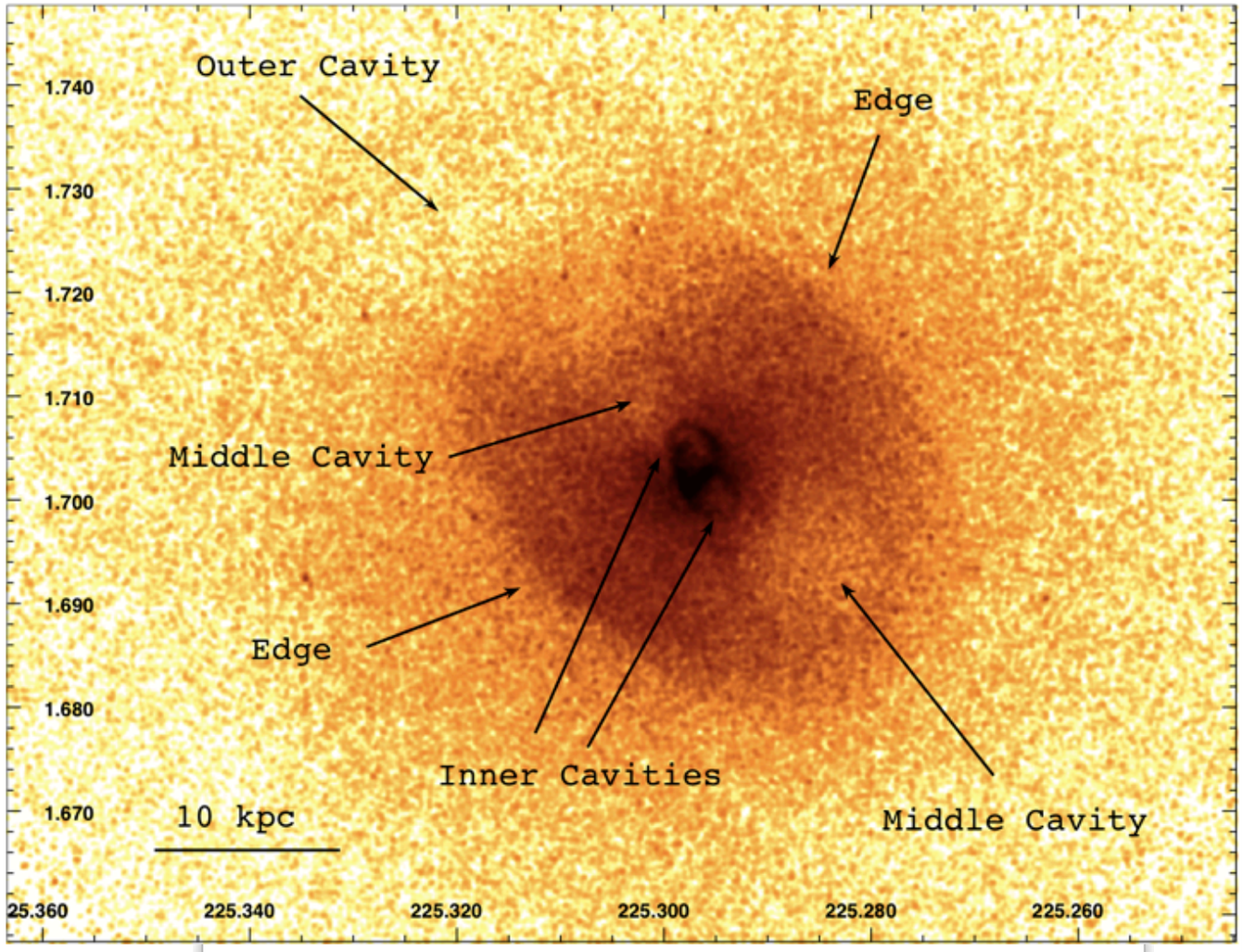
- AGN outbursts, typical
- ram pressure stripping, common

Complementary view from optical

A typical galaxy

NGC5813 - multiple outbursts

S. Randall et al.



	inner	outer	
Ages	0.6	3	$x10^7$ yrs
Energies	1	10	$x10^{55}$ ergs
Mach	1.7	1.5	

L_{nuc} ~ few x 10^{39} erg/s

- Observed shock heating overcomes core cooling for NGC5813

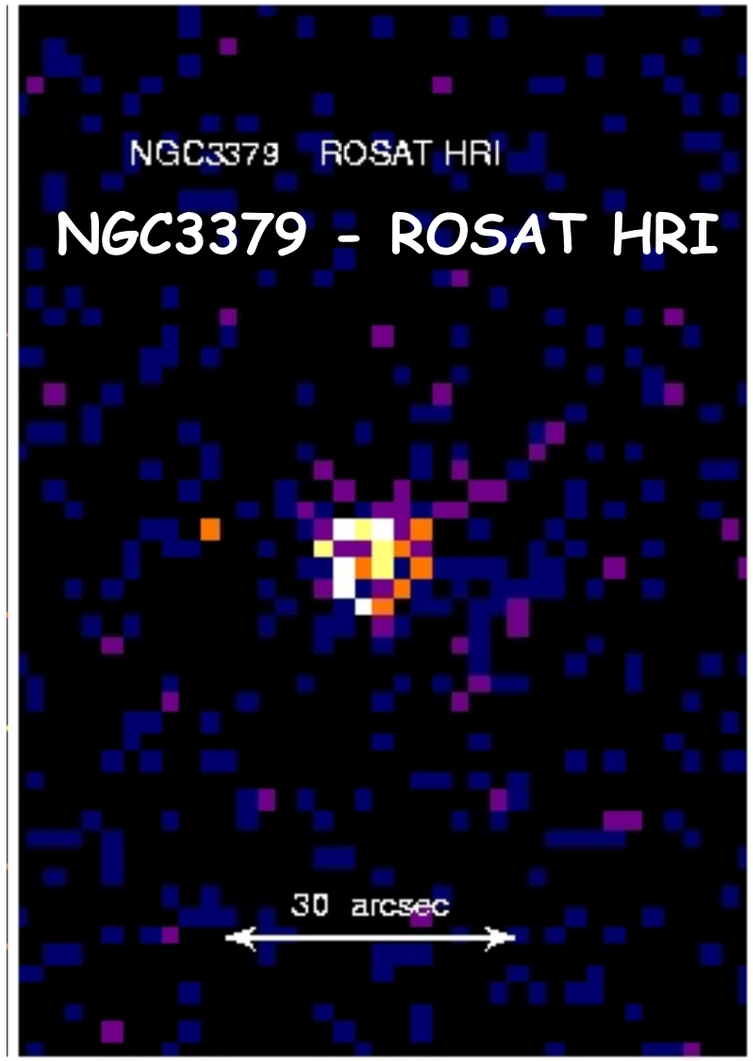
Galaxy Survey

- Galaxy Survey (not BCGs) > 100 galaxies
  - magnitude limited sample (from Beuing+87 and O'Sullivan+01)

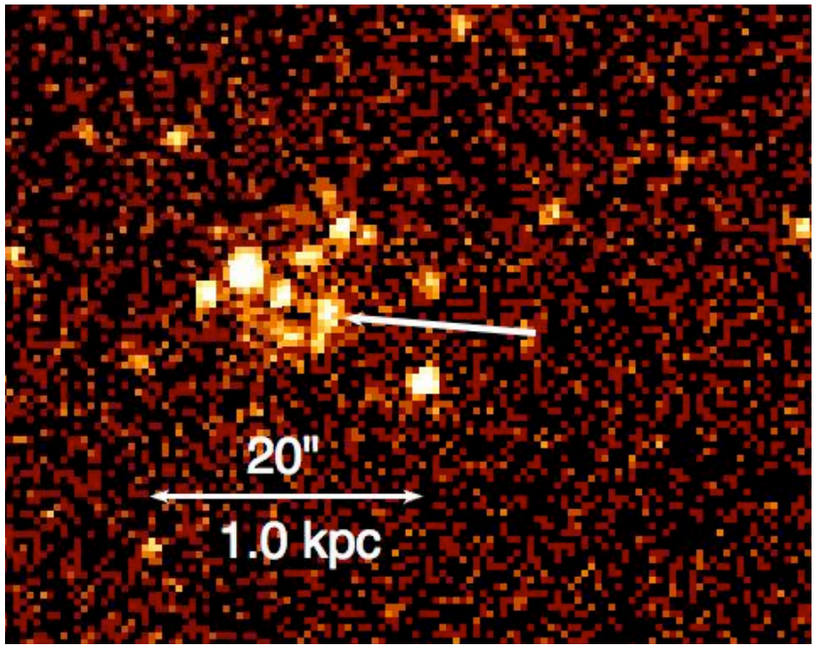
    AND

  - Chandra targeted galaxies
- working on more "complete" sample
- some galaxies are BGG's - brightest group galaxies
- not possible pre-Chandra
  - nuclei too faint
  - can't exclude bright low mass X-ray binaries

Chandra Angular Resolution Resolves Nuclear Regions



D=10.6 Mpc (51 pc/arcsec)



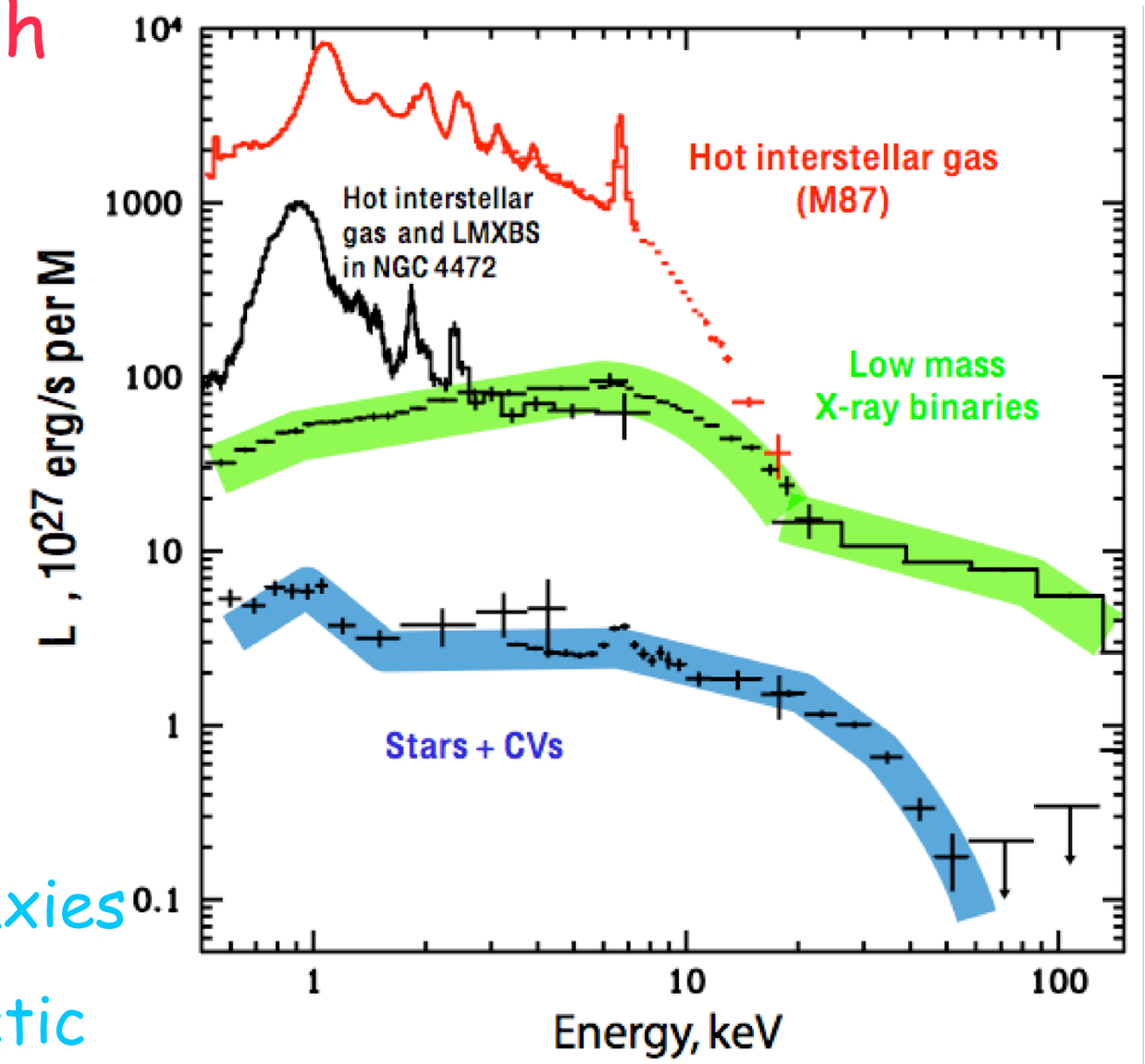
NGC3379
Chandra ACIS

Chandra's ~1" angular resolution

- detects/isolates faint nuclei
- removes LMXB's to detect faint diffuse emission
- $L_{gas} \sim 2 \times 10^{37}$ erg/s $M_{gas} \sim 3 \times 10^{5}$ M_{sun}
- hot gas likely in a wind (see Trinchieri +08; David+05)

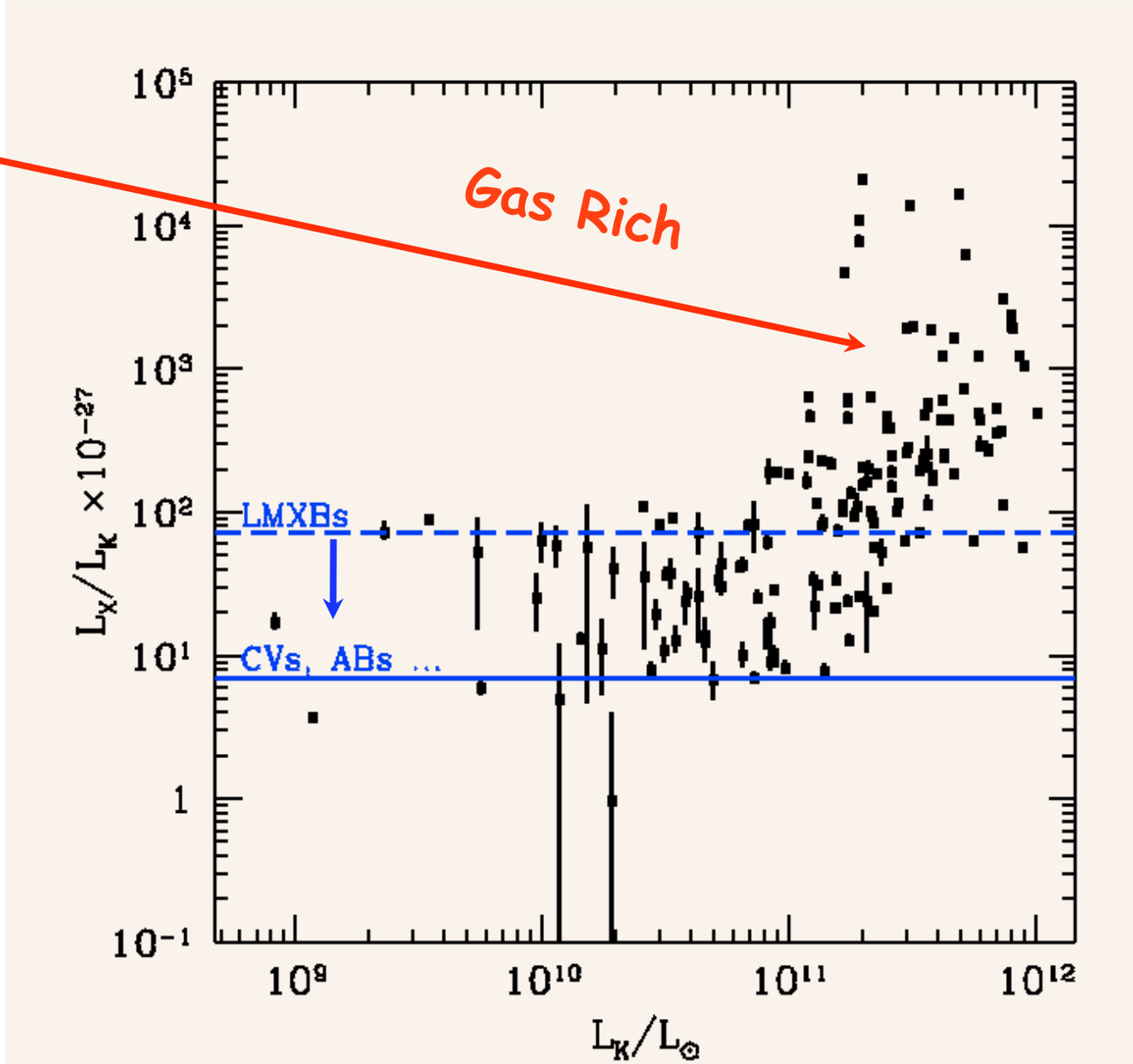
Components of X-ray emission in Galaxies

- Massive/luminous early type galaxies ($L_K > 10^{11} L_{sun}$) - gas rich
  - M_{gas} up to $10^{10} M_{sun}$
  - $kT_{gas} \sim 10^7$ K
  - Mergers not "dry"
- X-ray binaries and globular clusters
- Stars +CV's (with a multi-component spectrum)
  - Detected in fainter, nearby galaxies
  - Resolved in the Milky Way Galactic Ridge (Revnivtsev et al 2008).
- Low luminosity AGN



X-ray Emission in Early Type Galaxies - Jones+11

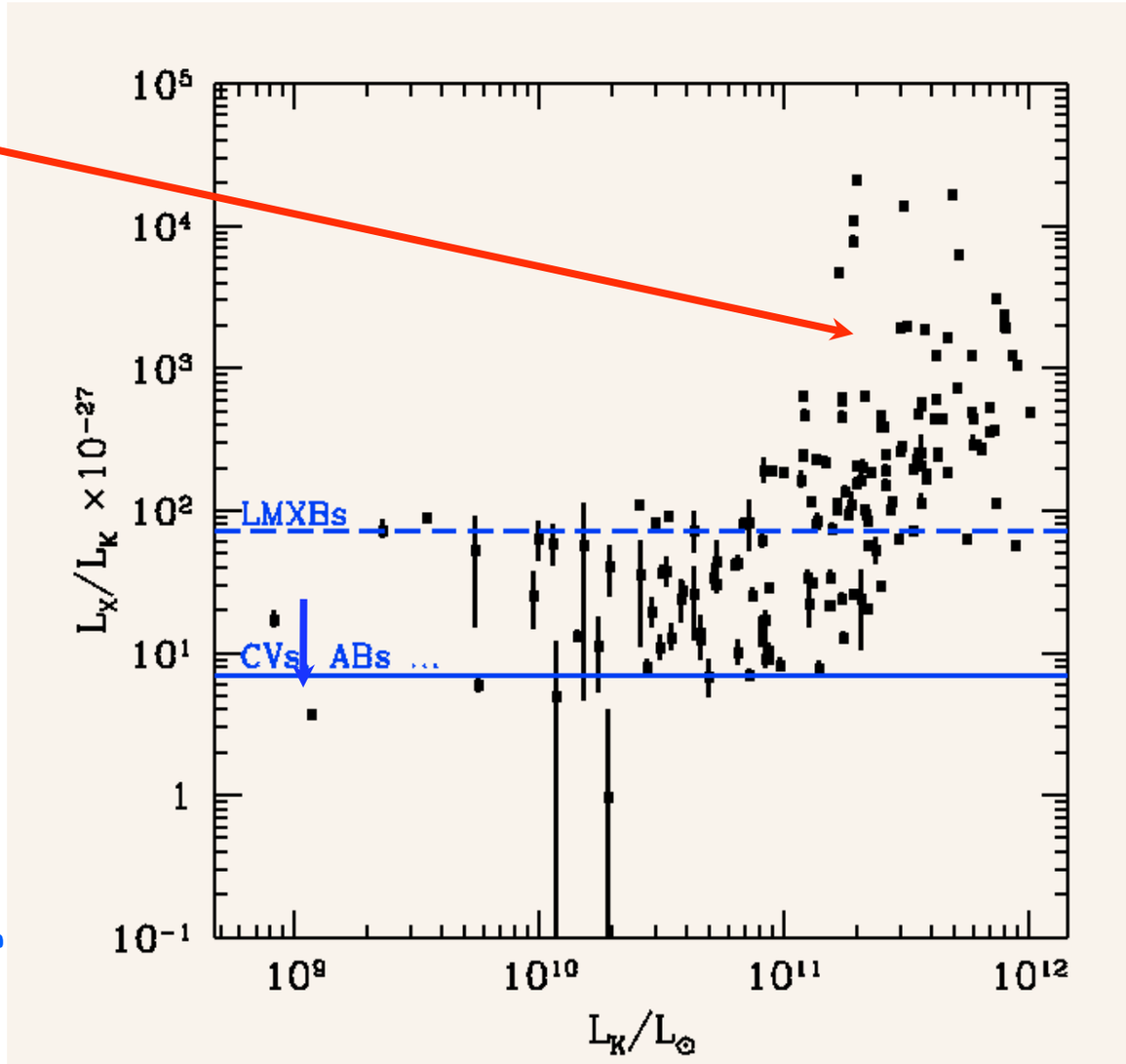
- Luminous early type galaxies have hot gaseous coronae (BCGs excluded from sample)
  - –Result from Einstein (see Forman, Jones, Tucker 1985
- LMXBs - partially removed
- CVs, ABs - always present



Jones+11 - 100+ galaxies

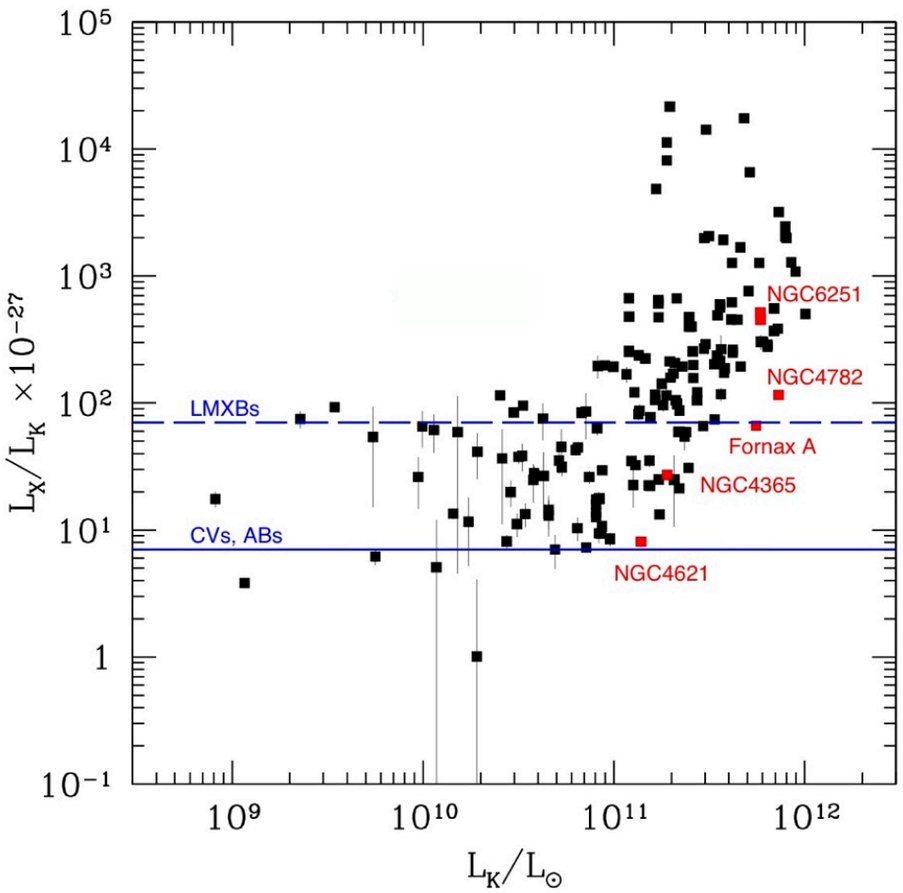
X-ray Emission in Early Type Galaxies - Jones+11

- Cavities
  - Common 30% of luminous galaxies; 50% in clusters with cooling cores)
  - power sufficient to balance cooling (Nulsen+09)
- AGN/SMBH
  - 70% detected in radio (see also Dunn+10 17/18 and 34/42)
  - Radiatively weak - radiated power < 10^{-3} of mechanical power
- Wide range in L_X at fixed L_K - environment (group) or powerful outburst disrupting atmosphere (e.g., Fornax A)

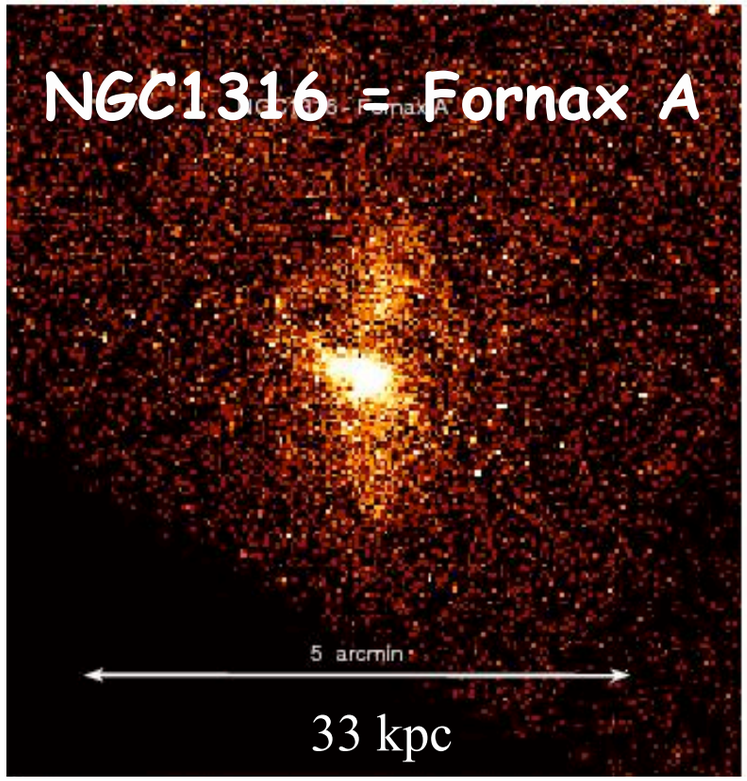


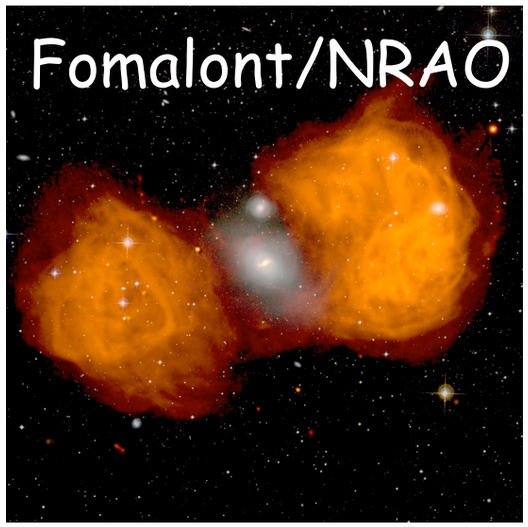
Jones+11 - 150+ galaxies

Massive SMBH, with enough fuel can disrupt galaxy atmospheres - e.g., Fornax A = NGC1316



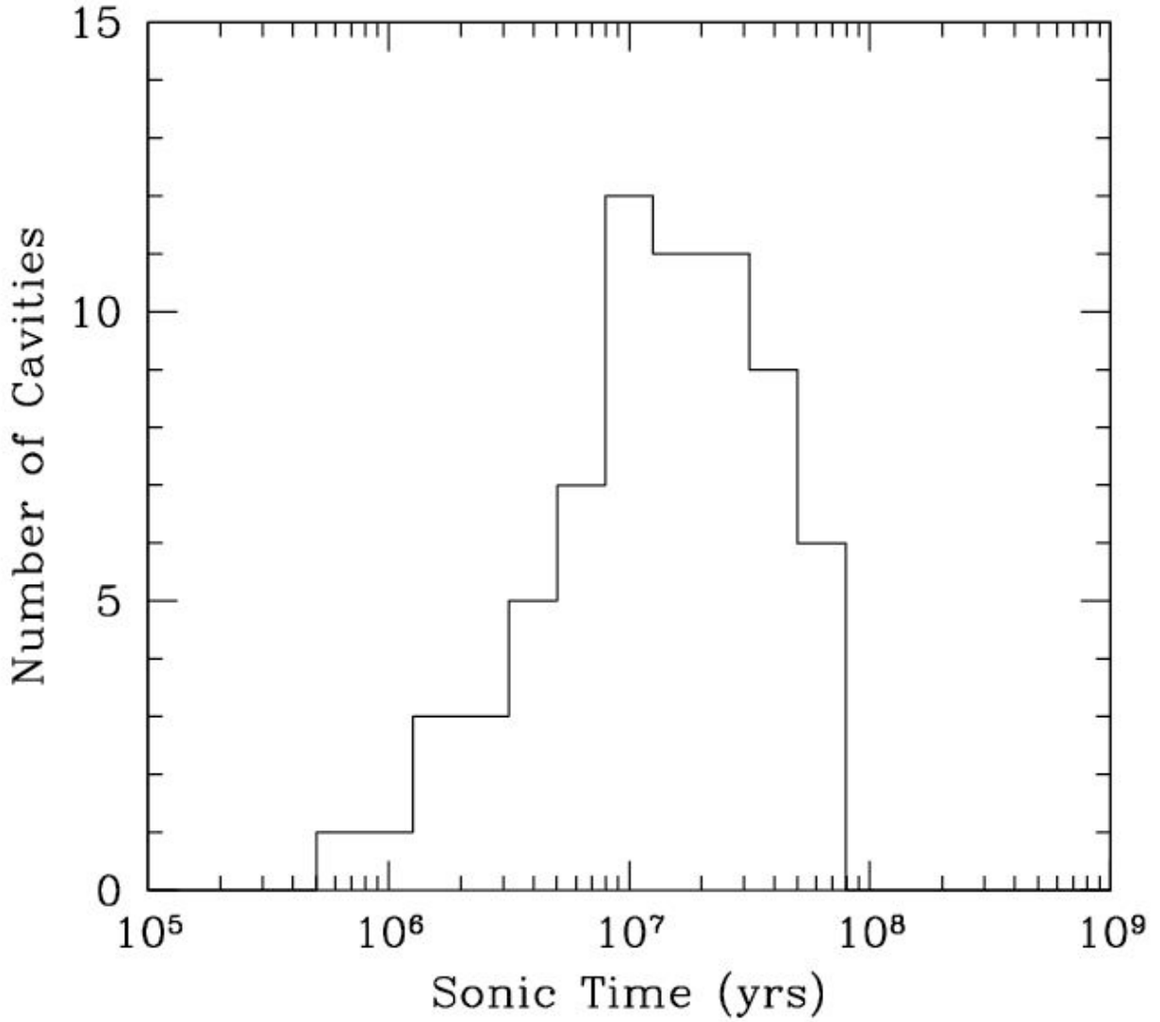
Scatter in L_X-opt mag relation is partly due to gas removal
and partly due to environment (galaxies in the centers of "groups")

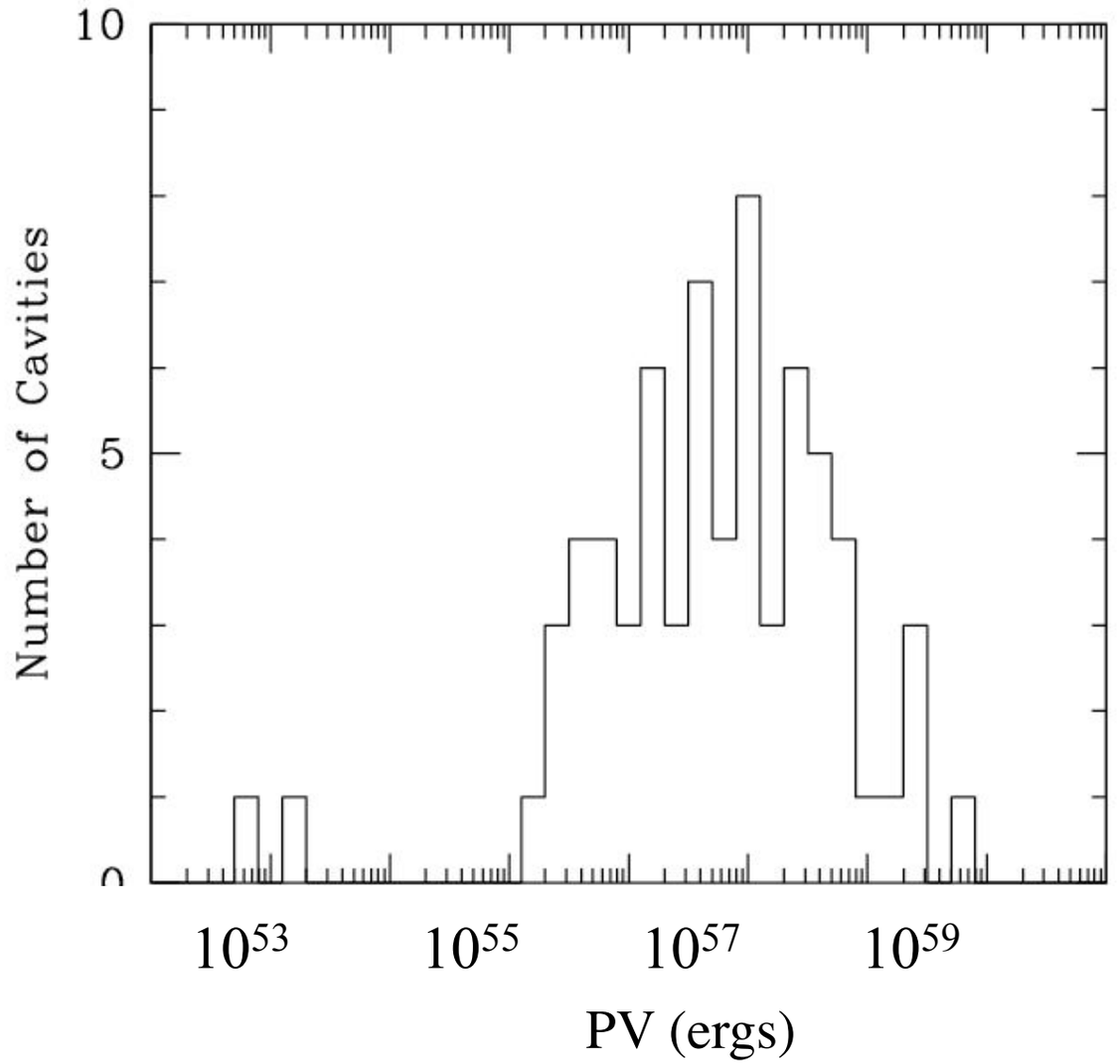




- Outskirts of Fornax cluster (>1.4 Mpc from NGC1399)
- $L_{nuc} \sim 2 \times 10^{42}$ erg/s
- Gas/dust/disturbed optical morphology (e.g., Schweizer81, Mackie/Fabbiano98)
- likely merger driven outburst
- Massive SMBH is willing and able to disrupt atmosphere given sufficient fuel; outburst power ~ 5×10^{58} ergs (Lanz+10)

In galaxies, outbursts are recent (=> frequent) and impart significant energy to the ISM - enough to balance cooling





Ages and outburst energy for 27 galaxies/groups with cavities (30% of optically luminous galaxies in the sample) - Nulsen, Jones, Forman, Churazov & friends)

Combine outburst energy and time scale - compare to radiated luminosity

PV work balances cooling for galaxies with cavities

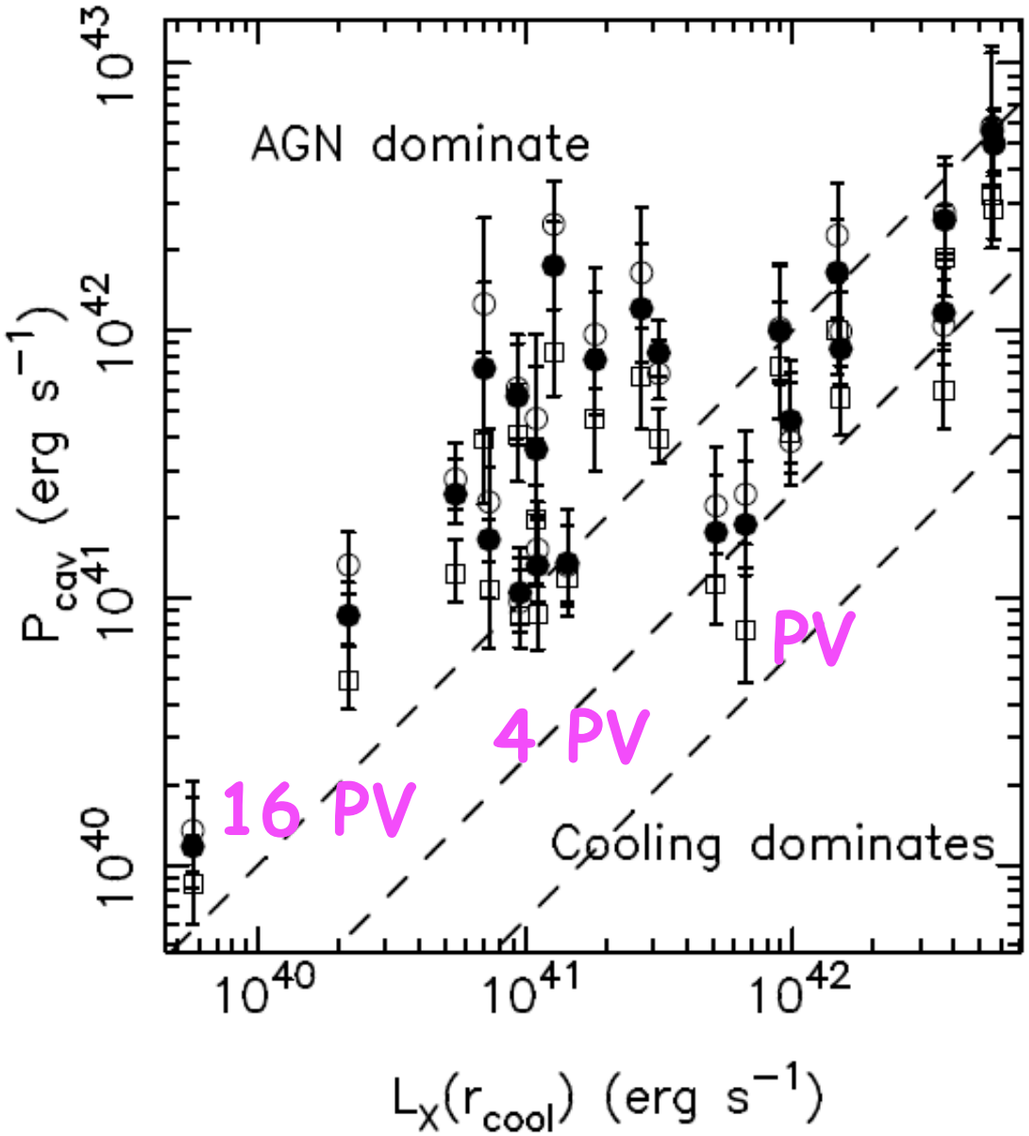
Power of AGN estimated from ages and outburst energies

- three estimates of age
  - sound crossing time
  - refill time (of displaced volume)
  - buoyancy time

- For 4PV, AGN power exceeds L_{rad} for all the galaxies (assuming an age given by the sound crossing time).

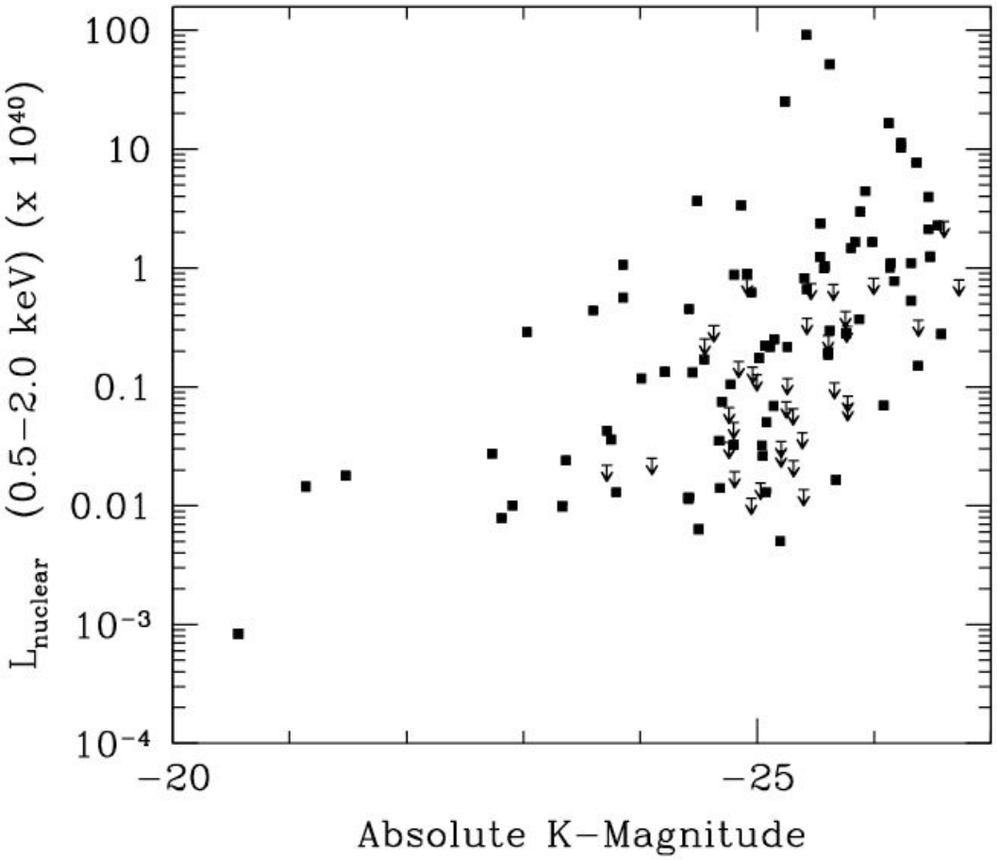
Nulsen+09

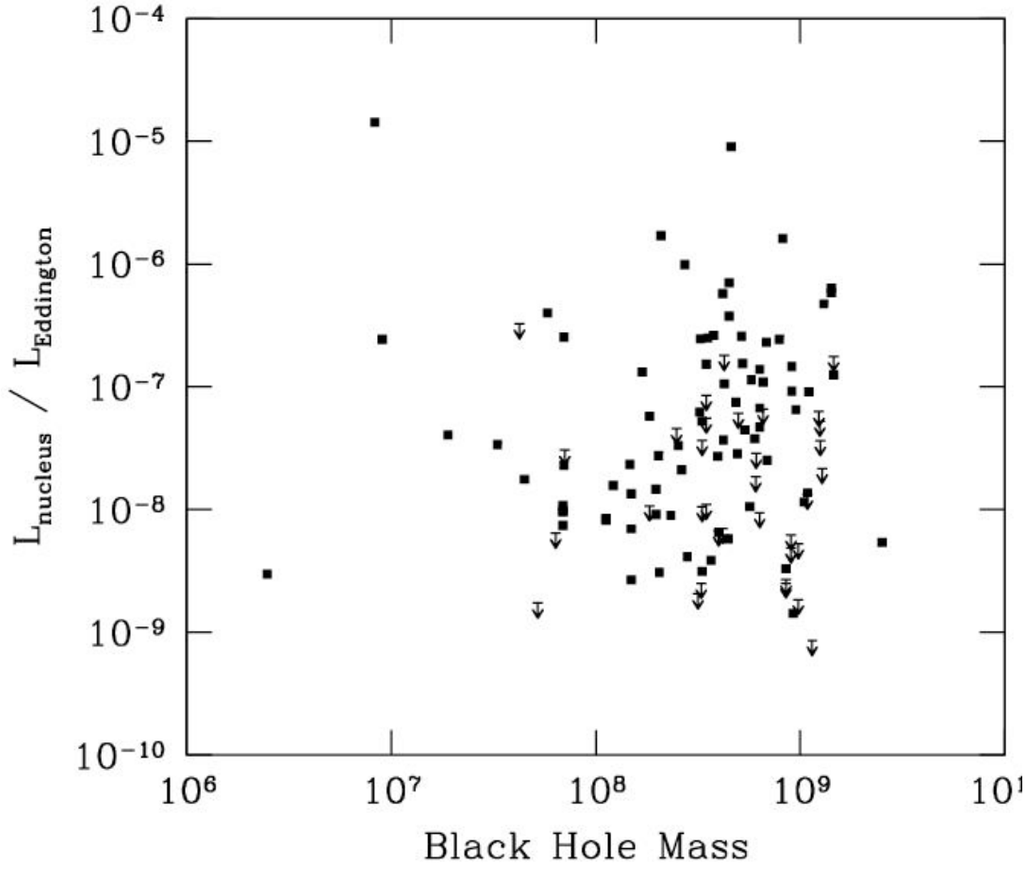
(similar results for clusters - see



H = γPV/(γ-1) where γ=4/3 for relativistic plasma

SMBH X-ray Luminosities and Eddington Ratios in Normal Early type Galaxies





Low luminosities : 70% have X-ray detected AGN

luminosities range from ~10^{38} - 10^{42} erg s^{-1}

Low Eddington ratios ~10^{-5} - 10^{-9} in these low luminosity AGN

(for QSO's ~0.3) (Eddington ratio for Sag A = 10^{-9})

Feedback (black holes + hot gas) and Baseball

Early type (bulge) galaxies - like a baseball team

Batter = SMBH - sometimes hits the ball (outbursts)

infrequent

exact trigger unknown

different sizes (walks, singles, … home runs)

Pitcher = provides ball/fuel (cooling gas for accretion)

Hot X-ray emitting gas = fielders

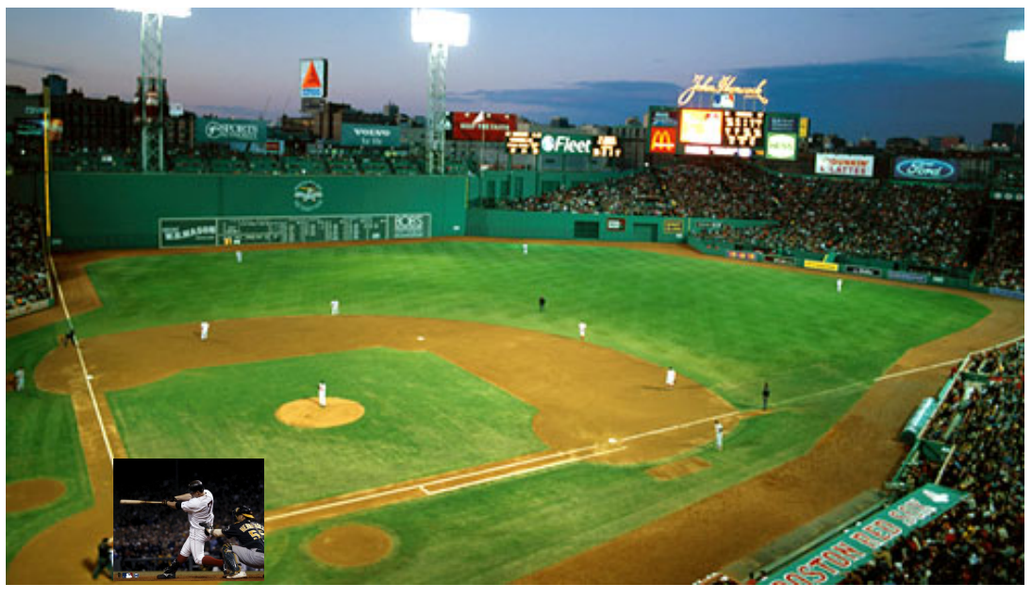
capture AGN output

Fielders are critical

No fielders (no gas)

==> No energy capture

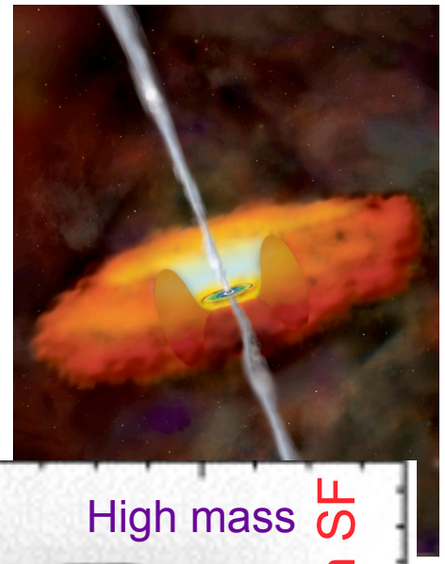
No feedback



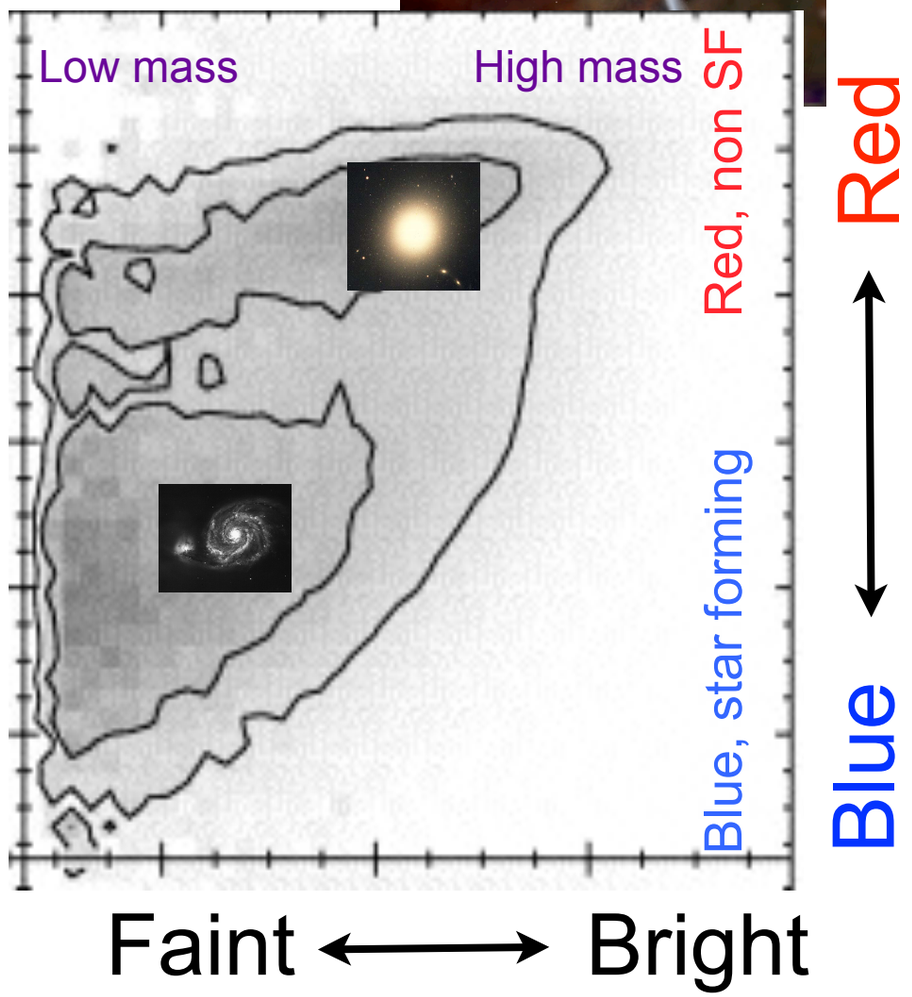
Unifies SMBH, AGN activity,
Galaxy properties (red/blue)
X-ray cooling flows

Gas Provides archive of AGN activity

Feedback from Supermassive Black Holes Explains Basic "Fact" of Astronomy - two kinds of galaxies

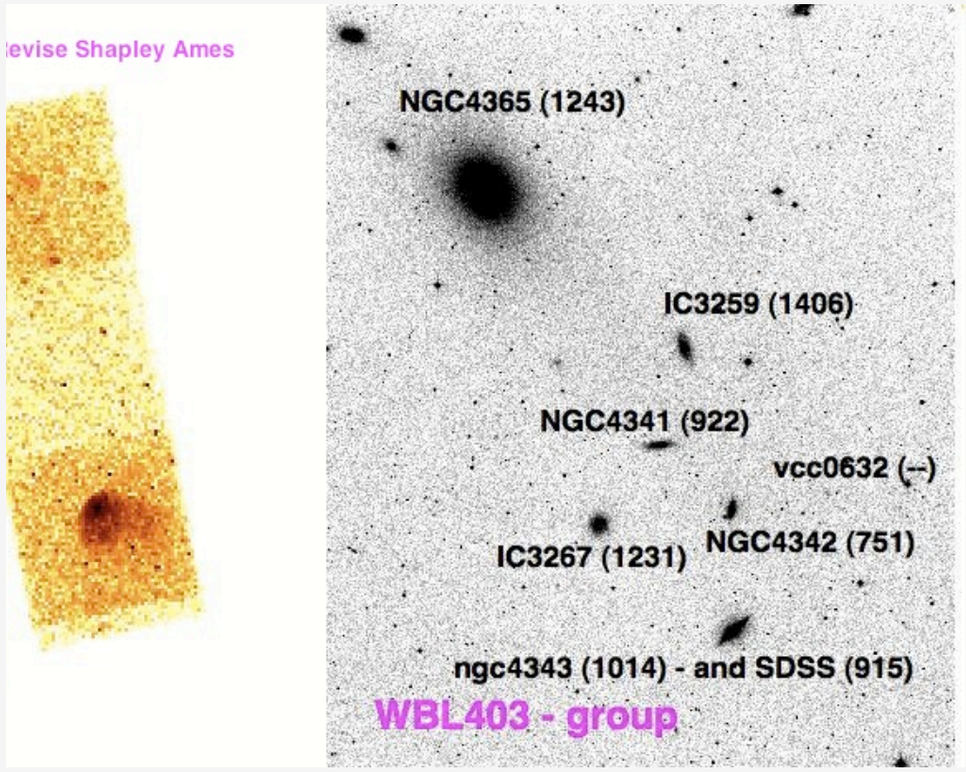


- Feedback
  - Supermassive Black Hole in galaxy nuclei
  - accretes matter
  - Black hole grows
  - Some energy returned (via jets) to control formation of new stars
  - red sequence/blue cloud (elliptical vs. spiral; old red, "dead" galaxies vs. blue/ young ; hot gas rich vs. hot gas poor)
  - explains galaxy luminosity function
- Key component of galaxy evolution

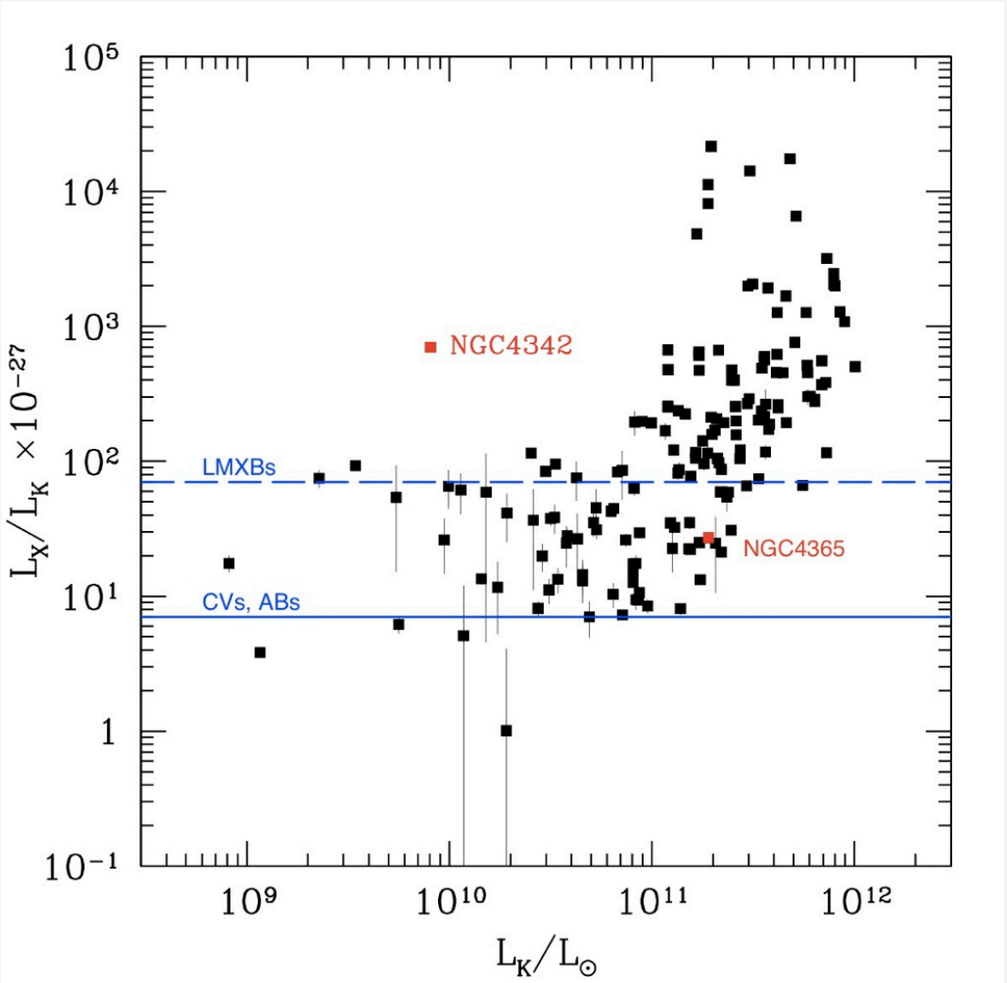


e.g. Croton+06, Best+06, Teyssier+11

Optically faint, gas rich galaxies - NGC4342



- S0/E7 galaxy
- 5.25 deg from M87
  - 1.46 Mpc in projection
  - r_{200} = 1.3 Mpc for M87
- cz=751 km/s
- M_{BH} ~ $3x10^8$ M_{sun} (Cretton & van den Bosch 1997)
- high velocity dispersion 252 km/s



- Thermal emission
  - kT=0.58±0.02 keV
  - M_{gas} ~ $5x10^7$ M_{sun}
- Mach ~ 1.5 (from X-ray analysis)
- External medium detected
  - kT=1.1-1.2 keV

A. Bogdan (2011, in preparation)

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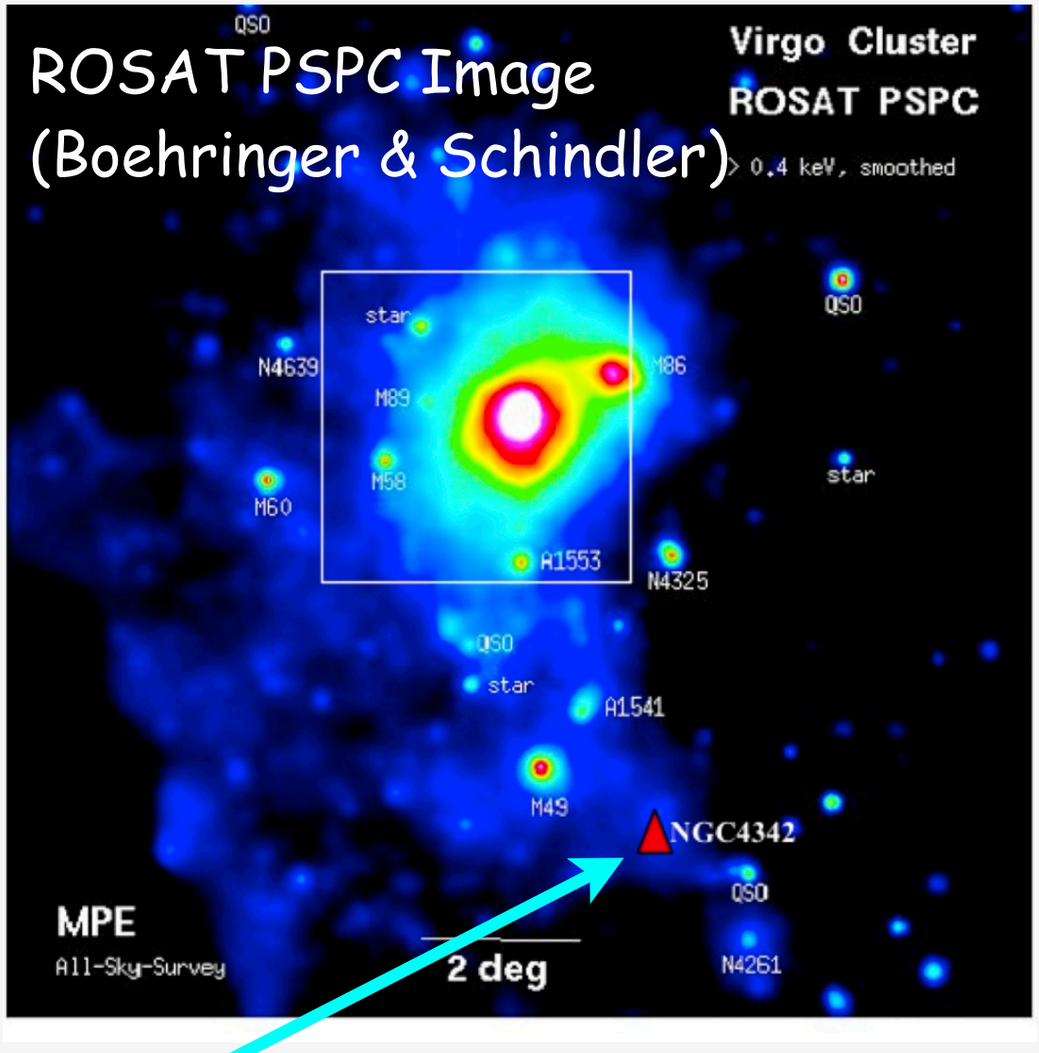
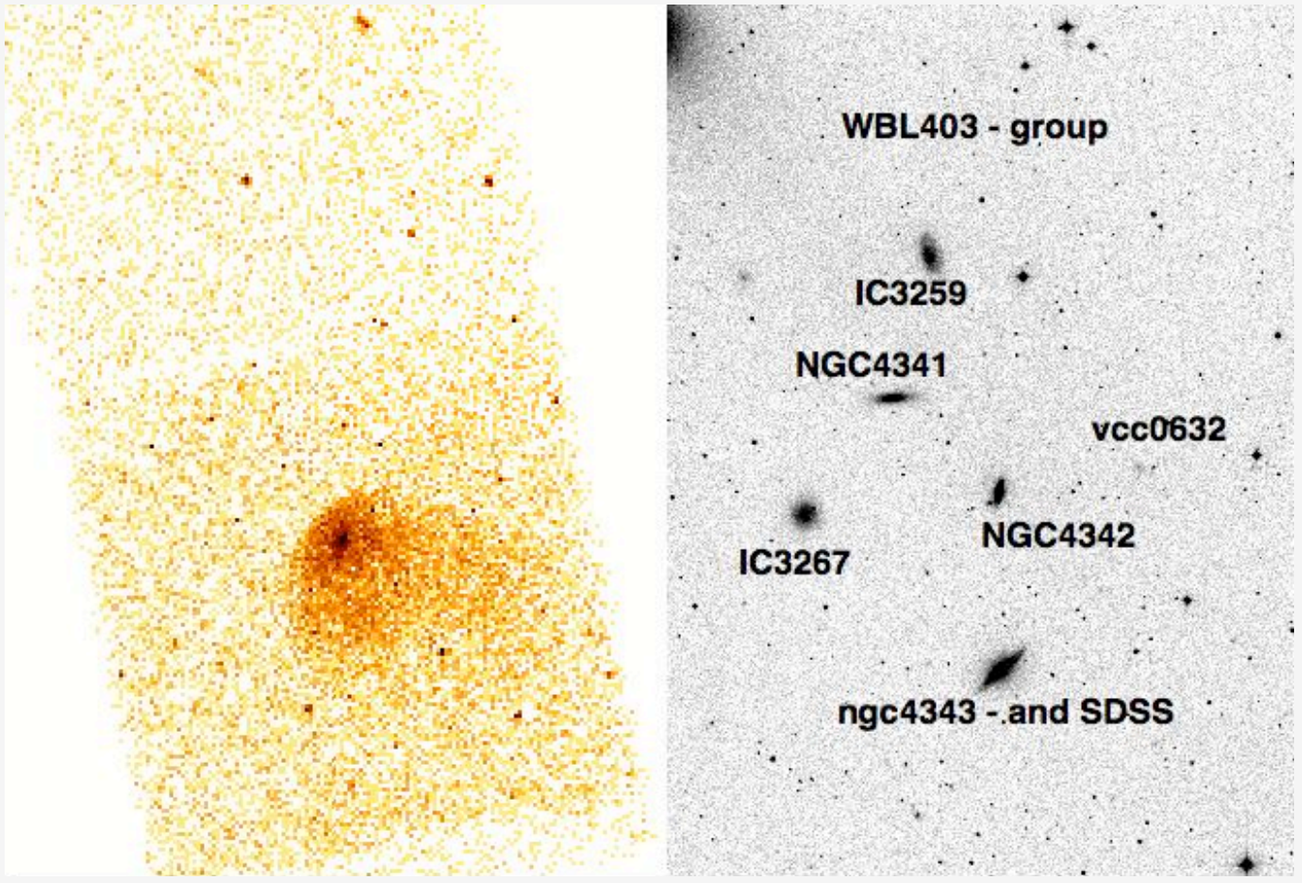




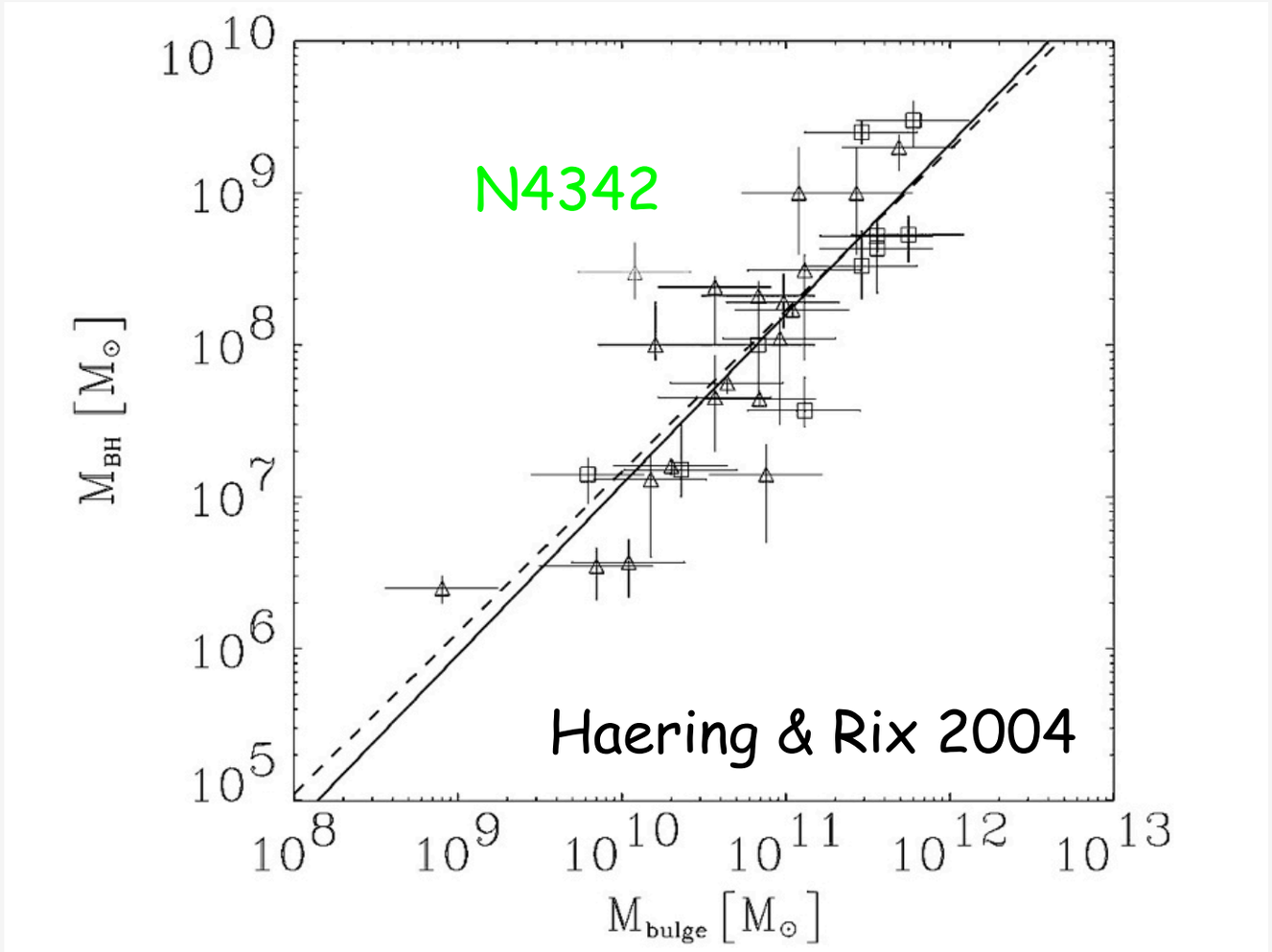
NGC4342 beyond r_{200} from M87
Only ~0.5 Mpc from NGC4472 (M49)
Virgo gas distribution - elongated N-S

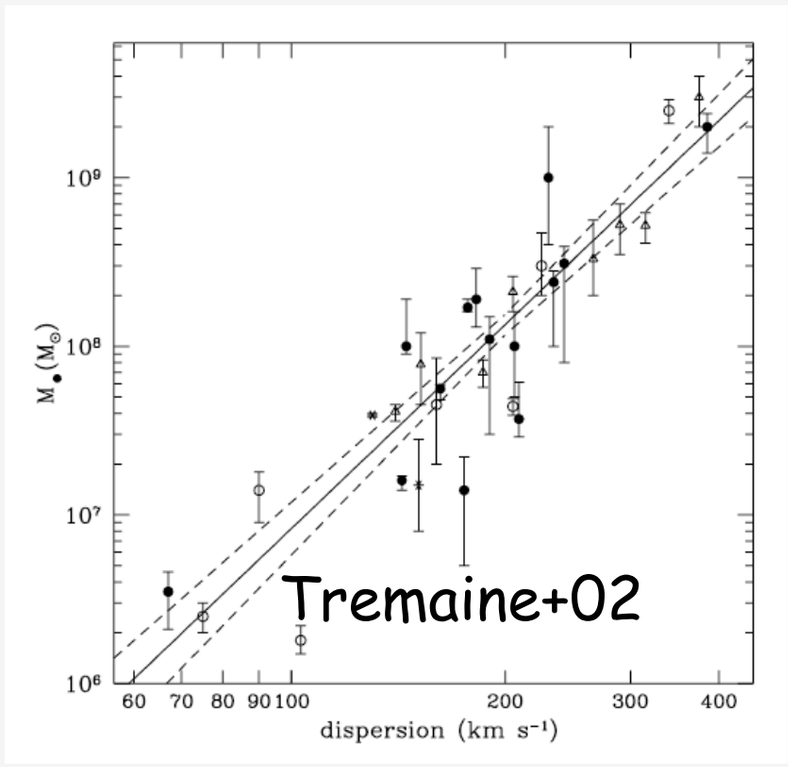
Gaseous filament in Virgo outskirts?
Halo with cool gas?
NGC4342 encounters external gas for the first time?
Ram pressure stripping underway?

M_{bulge} is too small
(or M_{BH} is too large)

But M_{BH} - velocity dispersion is "normal" suggests that it is the stellar mass that is a problem

M_{halo} is likely large as expected for a galaxy with a large velocity dispersion AND from presence of external gas





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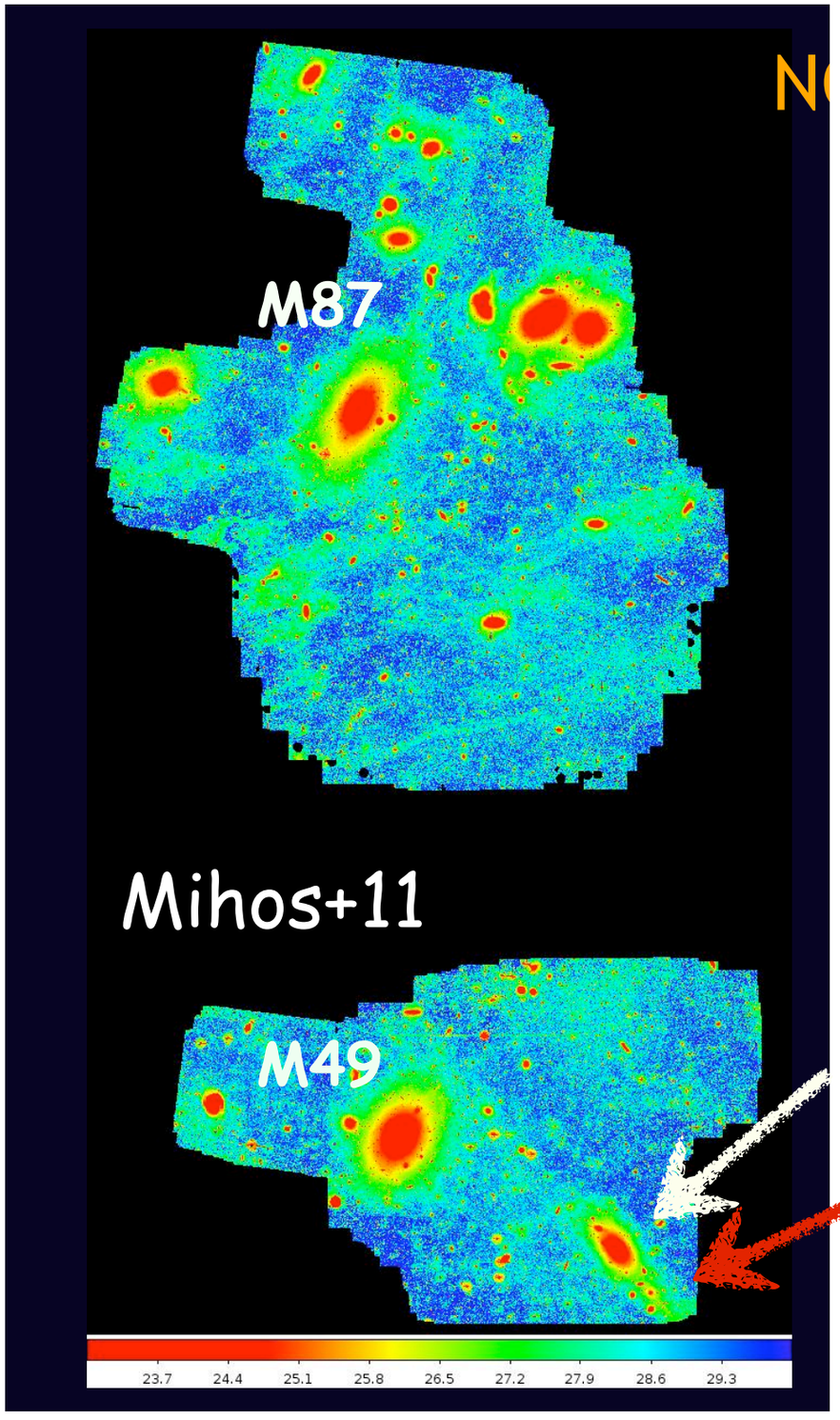
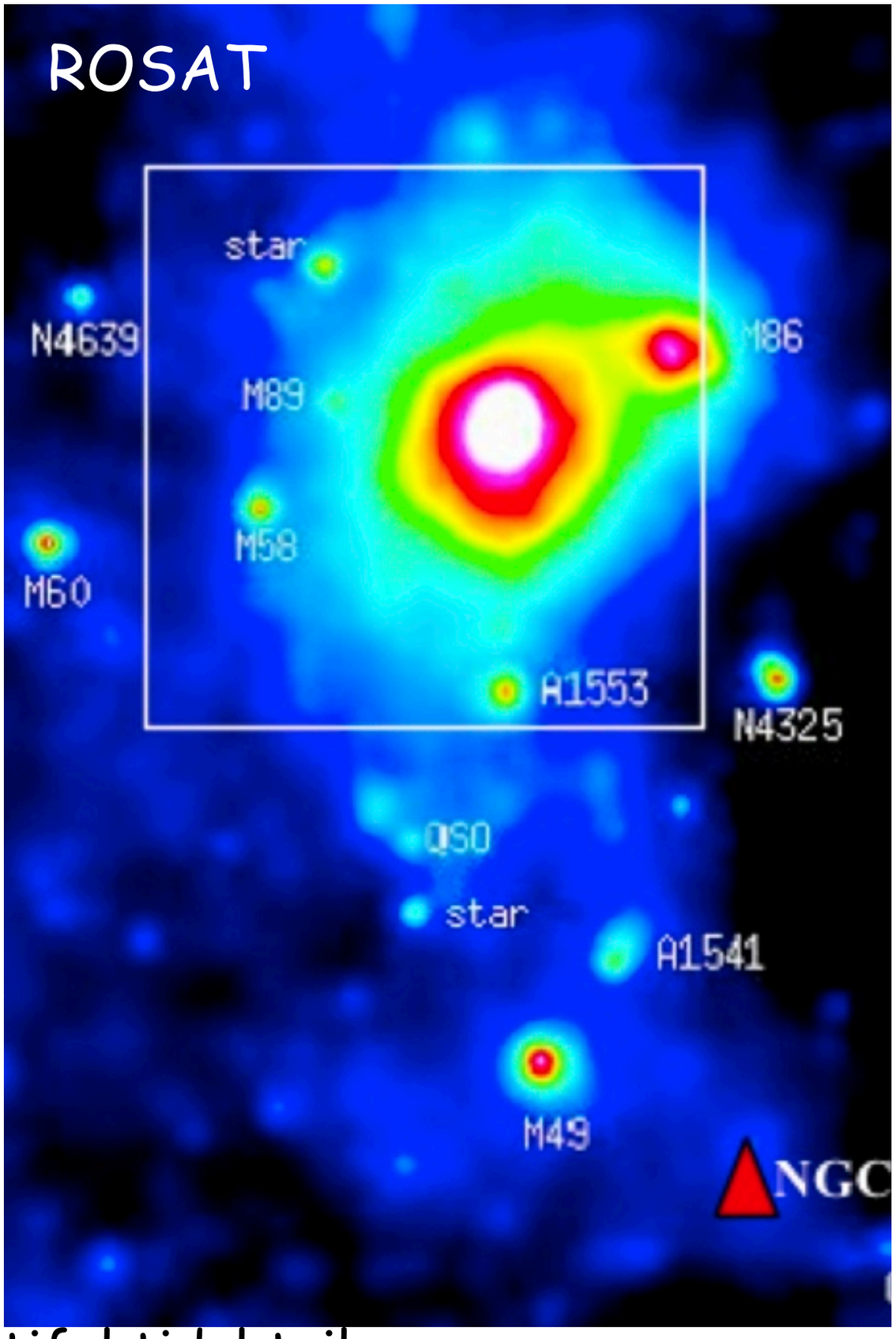
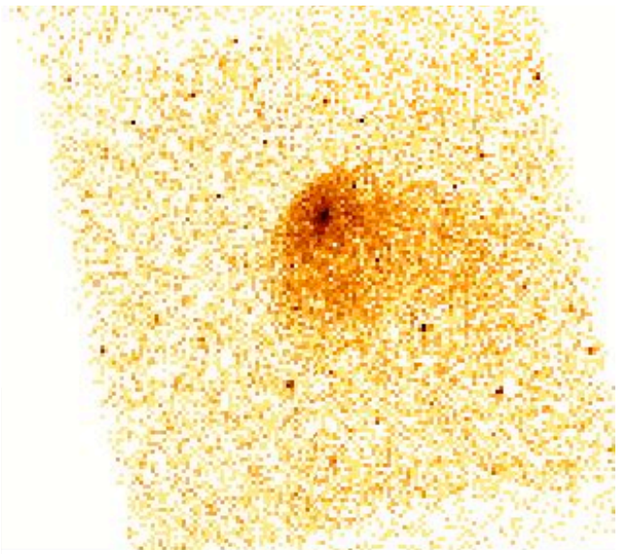




Recall Carlos Frenk's simulations - beautiful tidal tails

WHERE IS NGC4342?

Virgo at 16 Mpc
M49 at 16 Mpc
NGC4365 - at 23 Mpc
W' group (Binggeli+87) - at 23 Mpc
(WBL403 Group?)



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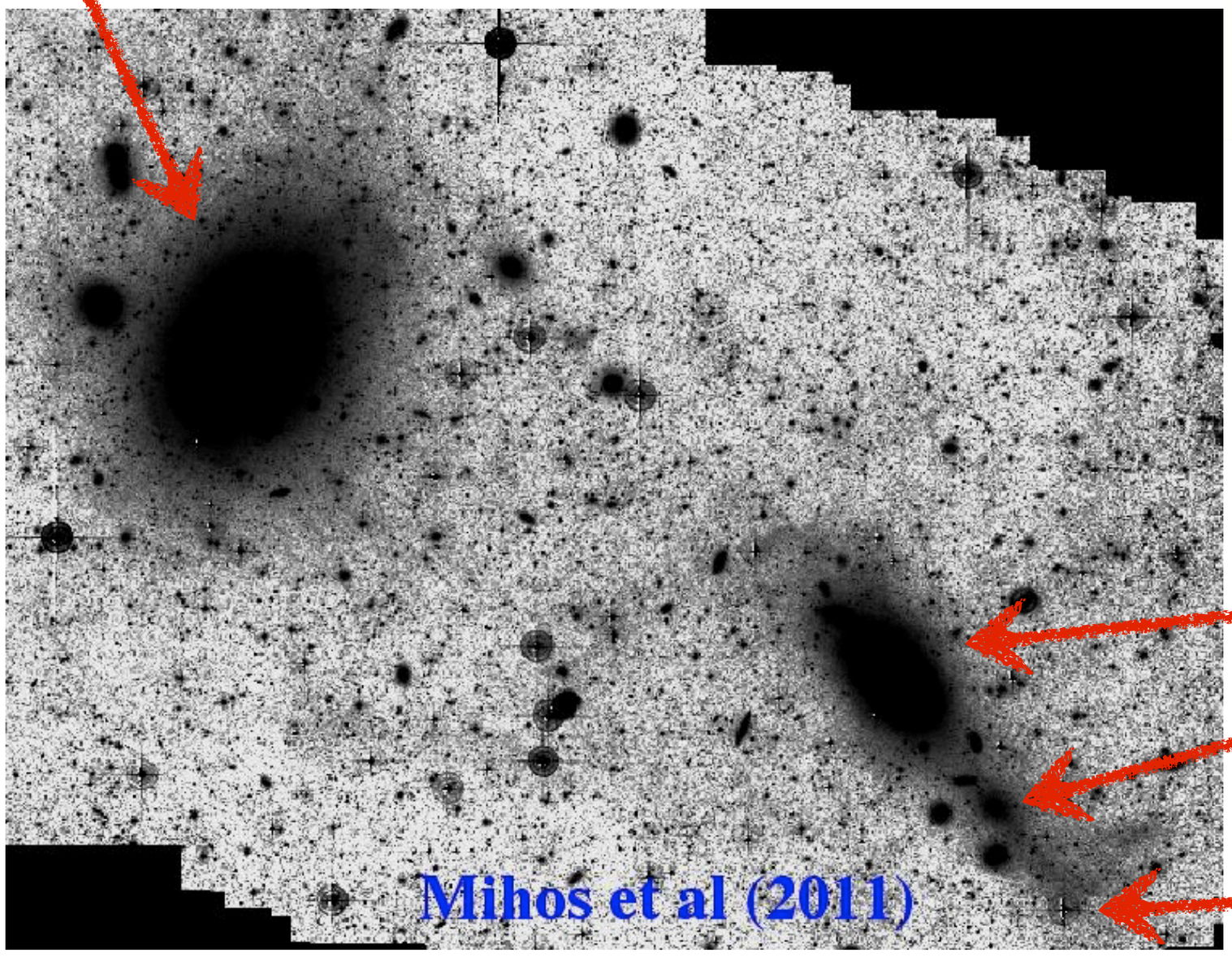
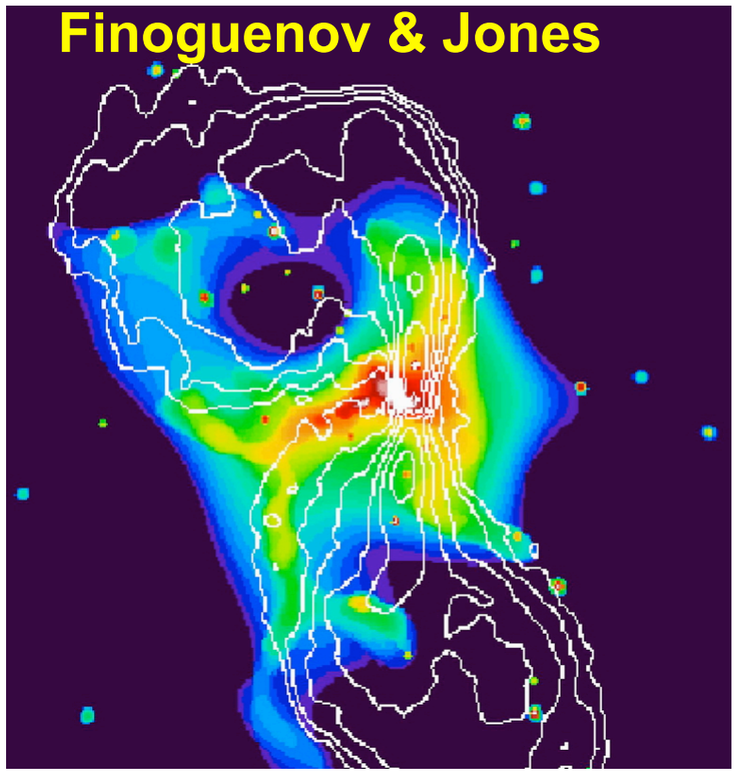
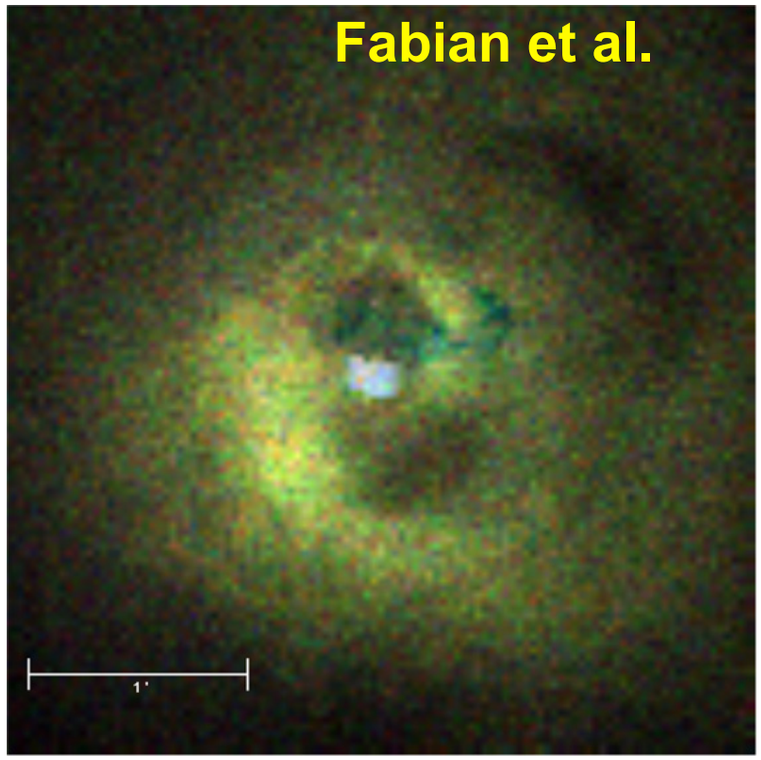
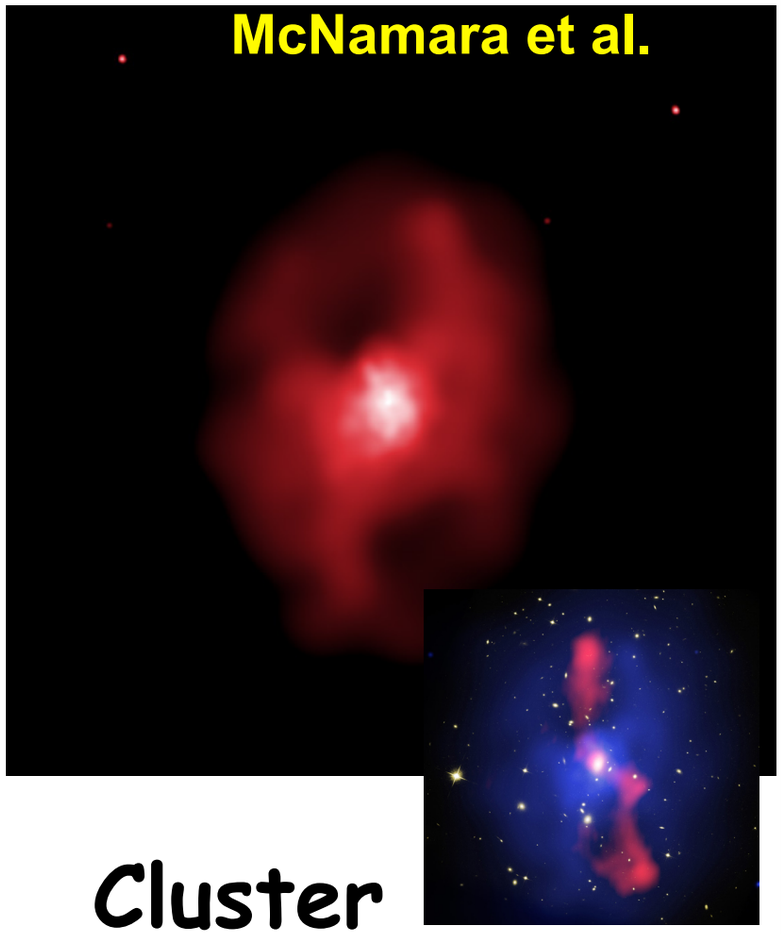


Summary - Outbursts from Galaxies to Clusters







Galaxy
1 kpc
10^{56} ergs
10^{42} erg/s

Group/Cluster Core
10 kpc
10^{59} ergs
10^{45} erg/s

Cluster
100 kpc
10^{62} ergs
10^{46} erg/s

Very powerful outflows
Very little (nuclear) radiation

Outbursts from Clusters to Galaxies

SOURCE	SHOCK RADIUS (kpc)	ENERGY (10^{61} erg)	AGE (My)	MEAN POWER (10^{46} erg/s)	ΔM (10^8 M_{sun})	
MS0735.6	230	5.7	104	1.7	3	McNamara+05
Hercules A	160	3	59	1.6	1.7	Nulsen+05
Hydra A	210	0.9	136	0.2	0.5	Nulsen+05
M87	14	0.0005	14	0.0012	0.0003	Forman+07
NGC4636	5	0.00006	3	0.0007	0.00003	Jones+02

SMBH growth by accretion in "old" stellar populations

(Rafferty et al. 2006 - $\dot{M}_{BH} \approx 0.1-1$ solar mass/yr)

Star formation maintains M_{BH}-M_{bulge} relation

Mechanical power balances cooling in >50% of clusters

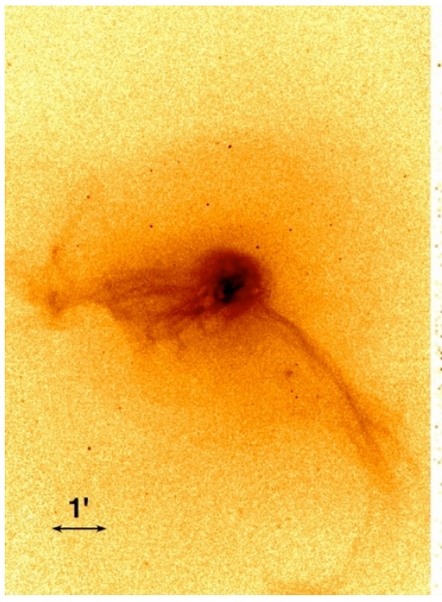
(Rafferty+06, Dunn & Fabian 06)

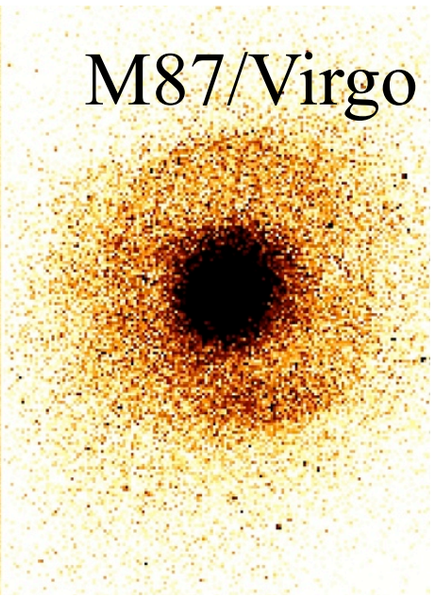
Hot Gas and Galaxies in Virgo, Fornax, Coma

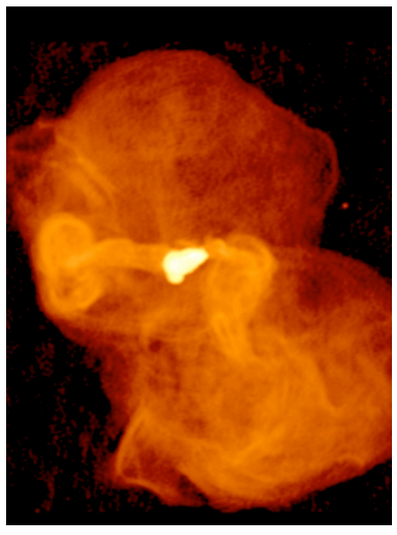
- Hot atmospheres are key to capturing AGN mechanical energy

  Feedback on gas - prevents cooling in all luminous early type galaxies

  - M87 - classical shock with buoyant radio lobes, X-ray filaments
    - energy output matches radiated luminosity
  - Galaxy AGN outbursts are common - 30% of early type galaxies show cavities; $\tau \sim 10^6 - 10^8$ yrs, $E \sim 10^{55}$-10^{58} erg - sufficient to balance cooling
    - Galaxy X-ray (and radio) nuclei, mini-AGN, are common - 70% (10^{38}-10^{42} ergs s^{-1})
  - Feedback important from galaxies to clusters!







FEEDBACK - a difficult task

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