The role of AGN feedback in galaxy clusters for the last 10 billion years

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3C84/NGC1275 (Perseus cluster of galaxies). JHL/MLGM/MPL.

Conclusion:

Black hole jets have a profound impact on galaxies (based on observations)

Black Hole Feedback



Radiatively-efficient (M_{BH} >> 1%M_{Edd})

Radiatively-inefficient (M_{BH} << 1%M_{Edd})

Hot X-ray halo (intracluster medium)

Perseus cluster of galaxies (z = 0.018) Credit: VLA, Taylor/Blundell; SDSS, CXC/IoA/ACFabian.



X-rays (Chandra)

Radio 328 MHz (Old VLA)

Perseus cluster of galaxies;

Credit: SDSS, CXC/IoA/ACFabian, NRAO/VLA/GBTaylor and MLGendron-M./JHlavacek-L.

What do black hole jets do to galaxies?



 \rightarrow Jet-mode AGN feedback is a fundamental process in massive galaxies.

\rightarrow Jets are powerful:

 E_{cavity} =10⁶⁰ ergs; P_{cavity} = 10⁴⁴⁻⁴⁵ erg/s; $t_{buoyancy}$ = 10⁷⁻⁸yrs; Size \approx 25 [10-200] kpc

→ Quenching: without jets, the hot halos around massive galaxies would cool and form powerful starbursts (suppress by orders of magnitude).

Birzan et al. 2004, Rafferty et al. 2006, Dunn & Fabian 2006, 2008, Dunn et al. 2010, Birzan et al. 2008, Cavagnolo et al. 2010, Dong et al. 2010, Hlavacek-L. et al. 2012, Hlavacek-L. et al. 2013, Hlavacek-L. et al. 2015, Panagoulia et al. etc.

What do black hole jets do to galaxies?



- \rightarrow Jets drive metals out of galaxies (ex. hundreds of kpc).
- \rightarrow ALMA: Jets drive molecular gas outflows of 200-400 km/s (10⁹-10¹⁰ M_{\odot}) on galaxy scales (similar to quasar driven winds).

Kirkpatrick et al. 2009, 2011; McNamara et al. 2009, 2012; Hlavacek-Larrondo et al. 2011., as well as the work by McNamara, Russell, Tremblay and collaborators.

When is jet-mode AGN feedback important?



→ AGN feedback has been operating in clusters of galaxies for > 8 Gyrs, i.e. over half of the age of the Universe.

Hlavacek-Larrondo et al. 2012, Hlavacek-Larrondo et al. 2015 and references therein.

When is jet-mode AGN feedback important?



Starburst of 900 M $_{\odot}$ /yr (!)

- → WHITE: Spitzer MIPS contours
- → RED: cold molecular gas (VLA CO 1-0)
- → BLUE: COOL X-RAY GAS

C. Rhea (PhD student)

→ Massive cluster of galaxies at z = 1.7 (universe 4 billion years old).
→ Cooling of hot X-ray halo is forming a starburst – feedback has failed!

Hlavacek-Larrondo, Rhea, et al. 2020 (ApJ Letter, see Chandra press release)

Black hole jets impact strongly the thermal gas/baryons in and around massive galaxies for the last 10 billion years.

What else?

X-rays (Chandra)

Radio 328 MHz (Old VLA)

Jets from the central black hole

MINI-HALO (radio particles/Cosmic rays)

Perseus cluster of galaxies;

Credit: SDSS, CXC/IoA/ACFabian, NRAO/VLA/GBTaylor and MLGendron-M./JHlavacek-L.

Radio filaments

NEW JVLA Observations 270-430 MHz

Loop

MINI-HALO (radio particles/Cosmic rays)

Edge

Gendron-Marsolais, JHL et al. 2018; Gendron-Marsolais, JHL, et al. 2020

Edge

Plume

Gendron-M. (ESO fellow)

Black hole jets heat/energize the thermal gas/baryons in and around massive galaxies ...

Do black hole jets also heat/energize the non-thermal gas/cosmic rays?

Black hole feedback and non-thermal gas

Richard-Laferrière, JHL et al. 2020

Take Home Points: AGN Feedback in Galaxy Clusters

- →Black hole jets impact strongly the thermal gas and around massive galaxies for the last 10 Gy
- →Black hole jets deposit energetic particles/cosm magnetic fields in and around galaxies.

→Black hole jets may also keep these particles relativistic for long time scales (>>10⁸ yrs), thus impacting fundamental processes such as heating/star formation over longer time scales than initially thought.

JHL et al. 2012, 2015; Gendron-Marsolais, JHL et al. 2018; Richard-Laferrière, JHL et al. 2020; JHL, Rhea et al. 2020

Credit: JHL/MLGM/MPL.

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