Turbulence (and Shock Waves) in Clusters of Galaxies



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The large-scale structure of the universe



\rightarrow the cosmic web



simulated matter distribution

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Clusters of _ galaxies

aggregates of galaxies, which are the largest known -> gravitationally bound objects to have arisen thus far in the process of cosmic structure formation

Coma Cluster



in X-ray <- hot gas of T ~ 8 keV

The intracluster \rightarrow medium (ICM)

the superheated plasma with T ~ a few to several keV, presented in clusters of galaxies

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Physical quantities in clusters of galaxies $L \sim a \text{ few Mpc} \sim 10^7 \text{ lyrs}$ size of clusters $n \sim 10^{-2} \,\mathrm{cm}^{-3}$ density of baryonic matter $v \sim \text{several} \times 10^2 \text{ km/s}$ flow velocity $T \sim 10^8 \,{\rm K}$ gas temperature $B \sim a \text{ few } \mu G$ magnetic fields Energetics gas thermal energy gas kinetic energy cosmic-ray energy magnetic energy

 $E_{\text{thermal}} \sim 10^{-10} \text{erg/cm}^3$ $E_{\text{kinetic}} \sim 10^{-11} \text{erg/cm}^3$ $E_{\text{cosmic-ray}} \sim \text{a few} \times 10^{-12} \text{erg/cm}^3$ $E_{\text{magnetic}} \sim \text{a few} \times 10^{-12} \text{ erg/cm}^3$ intracluster media contain plasmas with $\beta \sim 100 \left(\beta \equiv \frac{P_{\text{gas}}}{D}\right)$

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Some Evidence for turbulence in clusters

- pressure fluctuations in Coma (Schuecker et al 2004) $\Delta P/P \sim 0.1$

n ~ 1/3 - 7/3 ($P_k \sim k^{-n}$) -> consistent to Kolmogorov

- X-ray surface brightness fluctuations in Coma (Churazov et al 2011) $\Delta \rho / \rho \sim 0.1$

n ~ 2 -> steeper than Kolmorogov (shock-dominated ?)

- line broadening limit in A1835 (Sanders et al 2010)

 $\Delta v < 274$ km/sec -> $E_{turb} / E_{tot} <~ 0.1$

- patchy Faraday rotation distributions in clusters (Murgia et al 2004)

n ~ 0 for B -> broken power-law?

- and etc ...

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XMM images of Coma

analyzed to get the power spectrum of gas density fluctuations

(Churazov et al. 2011)

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→ Turbulence in ICMs is subsonic! Kolmogorov?

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Turbulence in astrophysical environments II

1. Turbulence in the interstellar medium (ISM) with $\beta \sim 1$ (strong guiding field $(B_0 > \sim \delta B)$)

2. Turbulence in the intracluster medium (ICM) with $\beta >> 1$ (negligible guidin g field($B_0 \ll \delta B$))

$$\left(\beta \equiv \frac{P_{\rm gas}}{P_{\rm magnetic}}\right)$$

Two turbulences should have different properties!

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Goldreich & Sridhar model for turbulence

for strong regular field $(B_0 >> \delta B)$

in the incompressible limit $(\delta \rho << \rho_0)$

• applicable, e.g., to the turbulence in the ISM with $\beta \sim 1$

Goldreich & Sridhar (1995) considered the dynamics of Alfvenic wave packets in the strong turbulence limit.

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2. energy cascade of Alfven waves



$$\mathcal{E}_{\text{cascade}} = \frac{b_l^2}{t_{\text{cascade}}} = \text{constant}$$
$$t_{\text{cascade}} \sim t_{\text{interaction}} = \frac{l_{\parallel}}{B_0} \sim \frac{l_{\perp}}{b_l} \quad \text{strong turbulence}$$

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Goldreich & Sridhar model

critical balance

$$\frac{l_{\perp}}{l_{\parallel}} \sim \frac{b_l}{B_o}$$

energy cascade

$$\varepsilon_{\text{cascade}} = \frac{b_l^2}{b_l / l_\perp} = \text{constant}$$

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Turbulence in intracluster media

- It is difficult to produce strong coherent magnetic fields in the IGM before the formation of the large-scale structure of the universe, but rather it would be reasonable to assume that week, random seed fields were created.
- If seed fields exist, turbulence can amplify magnetic fields (the small-scale dynamo).
- Origin of seeds for comic magnetic fields is yet uncertain.

after turbulent amplification

$$B_0 \ll \delta B$$

Drivers of turbulence in clusters

- <u>formation of large-scale structure:</u> <u>shocks from merger, accretion, ...</u>
- AGN outflows, galactic winds, ...
- MTI, buoyancy instabilities, ...



wide range of injection scales: microscopic scales to ~ 1 Mpc





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Tregillis, Jones & Ryu (2004)



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Mach number distribution of shocks around a cluster complex



(Ryu et al 2003)

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Vorticity generated at cosmological shocks



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Turbulence in clusters: AMR simulations



temperature distribution in a merging cluster

Vazza et al (2010)



Turbulence energy

assuming that all the energy of vortical motions goes to turbulence

 $M_{turb} < 1$ (subsonic turbulence) inside and outskirts of clusters $E_{turb}/E_{therm} \sim 0.1 - 0.3$ inside and outskirts of clusters -> agrees with obs. $M_{turb} \sim 1$ (transonic turbulence) in filaments

turbulence in clusters is subsonic!

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Turbulence + magnetic field

→ Magnetohydrodynamic turbulence

Magnetic fields can be amplified by turbulence from weak seed fields

→ Turbulence dynamo or small-scale dynamo

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Time evolution of kinetic and magnetic energies



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Viscosity and resistivity the ICM

kinetic viscosity
$$\nu \sim \nu_{p-p}^{\text{therm}} l_{p-p} \sim \frac{l_{p-p}^2}{t_{p-p}}$$
 (?)
or substantially smaller ?
resistivity $\eta \sim \frac{(c/\omega_p)^2}{t_{e-p}} \left(\omega_p = \left(\frac{4\pi n_e e^2}{m_e} \right)^{1/2} \right)$ (?)
much smaller than viscosity?
 \longrightarrow high magnetic Prandtle number ?
 $P_m = \frac{\nu}{\eta} \sim 10^{20} \text{ or larger }?$

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Conclusions: Why simulation of turbulence in clusters?

- Turbulence amplifies and transports magnetic fields.
- Turbulence transports entropy, metals, cosmic rays, etc.
- Turbulence is a key to shocks and turbulent acceleration of cosmic rays.
- Turbulent pressure contributes to the support of the ICM, so its presence influences HSE mass estimates.

in turn

- Turbulence is affected by shocks, magnetic fields, dissipations, and etc.

in the end

- Understanding turbulence is important in understanding physics in. intracluster media, and yet to be done.
- Numerical simulation is a key in understanding turbulence as well as other astrophysical phenomena in intracluster media.

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Thank you !

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