

Turbulent motions and mixing in massive galaxy clusters

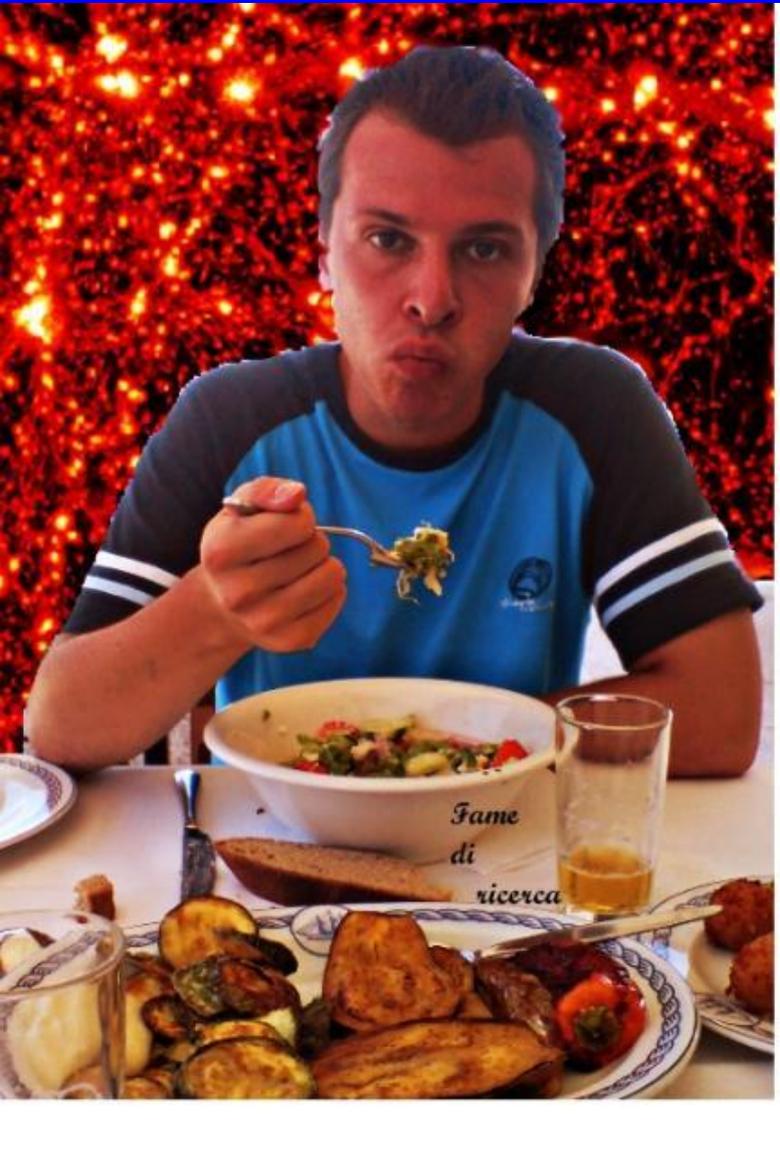
- SAMPLE OF MASSIVE GALAXY CLUSTERS AT HIGH RESOLUTIONS
- TURBULENT MOTIONS IN THE INTRA CLUSTER MEDIUM
- MIXING IN THE INTRA CLUSTER MEDIUM

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Franco Vazza says:

“I thank the organizers, and I am sorry I could not make to be there with you. I had many problems with the flights from Bologna and I could not reach the conference in time.

I hope that this short presentation of my work (for which Klaus Dolag kindly lent his voice) is useful enough for the topics you are discussing! “

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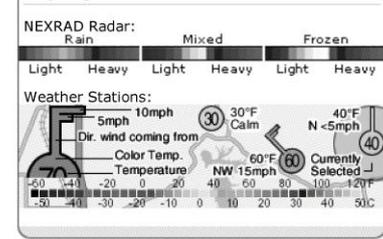
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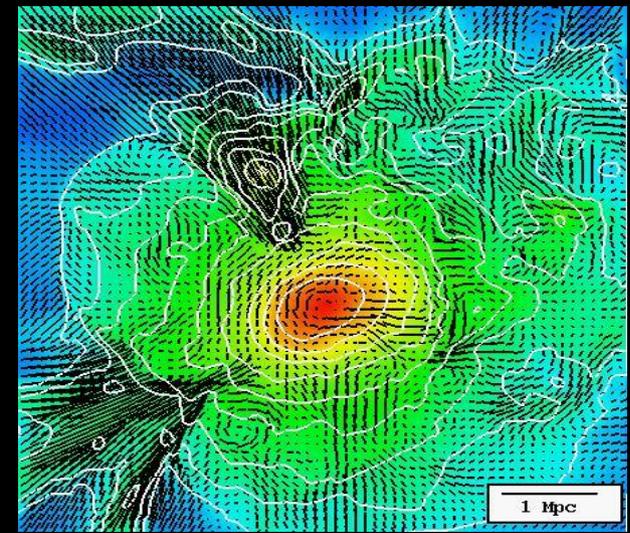
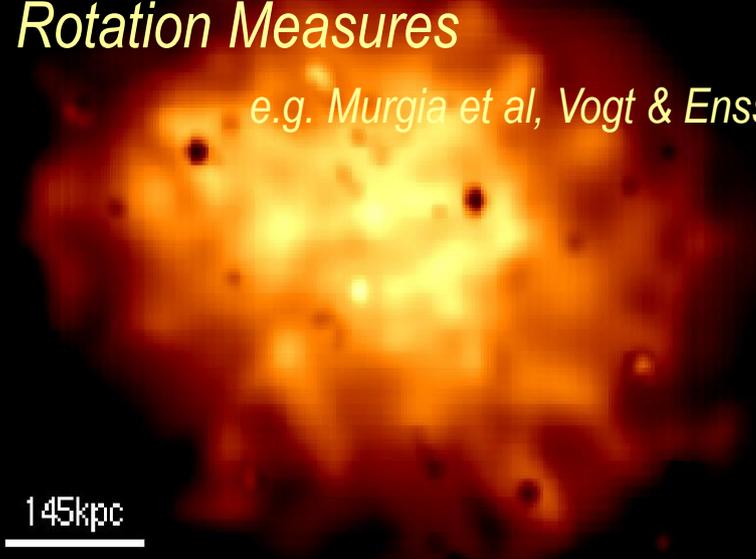
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“...and this made me losing a minute already... so, better to start...”

“There are nowadays many (indirect) observational indications for the presence of (subsonic) turbulent motions in galaxy clusters.”

OBSERVATIONAL EVIDENCES FOR TURBULENCE

- *Presudo-pressure maps in X-ray*
Schuecker et al.; Briel & Henri, Ota et al.
- *Lack of resonant scattering*
e.g. Churazov et al.
- *Metal diffusion*
e.g. Rebusco et al.
- *Non-Thermal Emissions*
e.g. Brunetti et al.
- *Rotation Measures*
e.g. Murgia et al, Vogt & Ensslin



NUMERICAL EVIDENCES FOR TURBULENCE

- *Large Eddies in AMR simulations*
Norman & Bryan.
- *GADGET with low viscosity*
Dolag et al..
- *Non thermal pressure support*
e.g. Rasia et al., Lau et al.
- *Sub-grid modeling*
e.g. Maier et al., Scannapieco & Bruggen

“Also from the numerical view point, many works suggested that the simulated ICM should contain chaotic motions, across a wide range of scales”

Grid simulations of galaxy clusters with ENZO (Bryan et al.1998) & ADAPTIVE MESH REFINEMENT



“ The study of turbulence, in general, demands a very large dynamical range in simulations, since one would like to have a good scale separation between the forcing scales (e.g. \sim Mpc for clusters) to the dissipative scales (e.g. <10 kpc).

“ Methods in which resolution is increased only depending on overdensity (such as standard mesh refinement strategies in grid codes) may have troubles in describing the evolution of a turbulent eddy in this case.”



Grid simulations of galaxy clusters with ENZO (Bryan et al.1998) & ADAPTIVE MESH REFINEMENT



Velocity field of a cluster simulated with new mesh refinement (side=4.4Mpc) in ENZO



“ We developed and now routinely use a slightly implemented method, which allows us to refine at the same time on gas/DM overdensity and 1-D velocity “jumps” (possibly associated to shock waves in the ICM).”

“ The outcome is that we can usually have the same resolution (e.g. ~25kpc/h) in the cluster center and in the outermost cluster region, and that eddies can be followed all across the cluster volume.”

**2009 Italian Key
Project:**

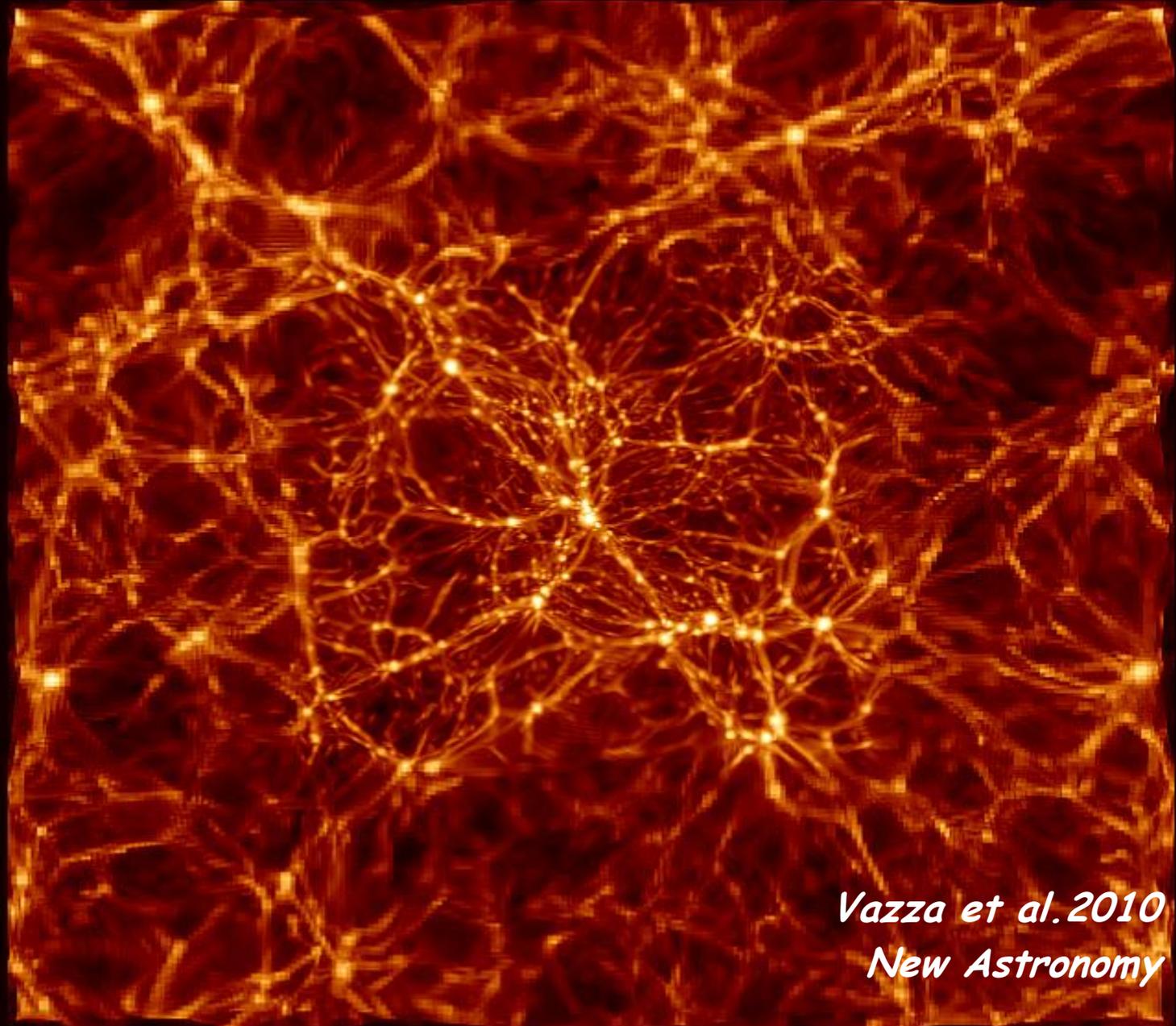
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volume:**
(480 Mpc/h)³

**DM mass
resolution:**
 $6.7 \times 10^8 M_{\odot}/h$

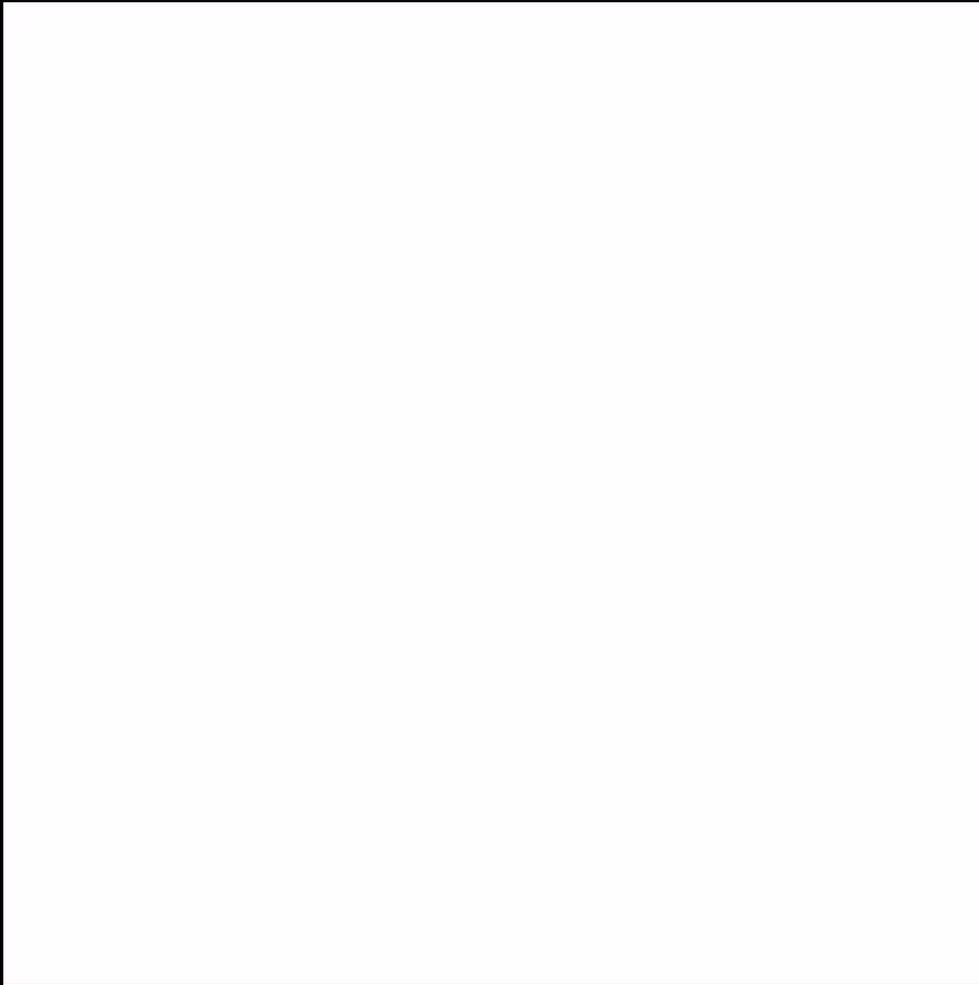
gas resolution:
from 200kpc/h
to 25kpc/h

**time resolution
(outputs):**
 $dt_{\text{out}} = 10^8 \text{ yr}$

“At the beginning of this year, we burnt a lot of computational resources to produce a statistical sample of Massive ($\sim 10^{15} M_{\odot}$) galaxy clusters with this method. The goal is to study: ICM turbulence, particle acceleration and non-thermal emissions in a statistical way.”



*Vazza et al. 2010
New Astronomy*



Gas density

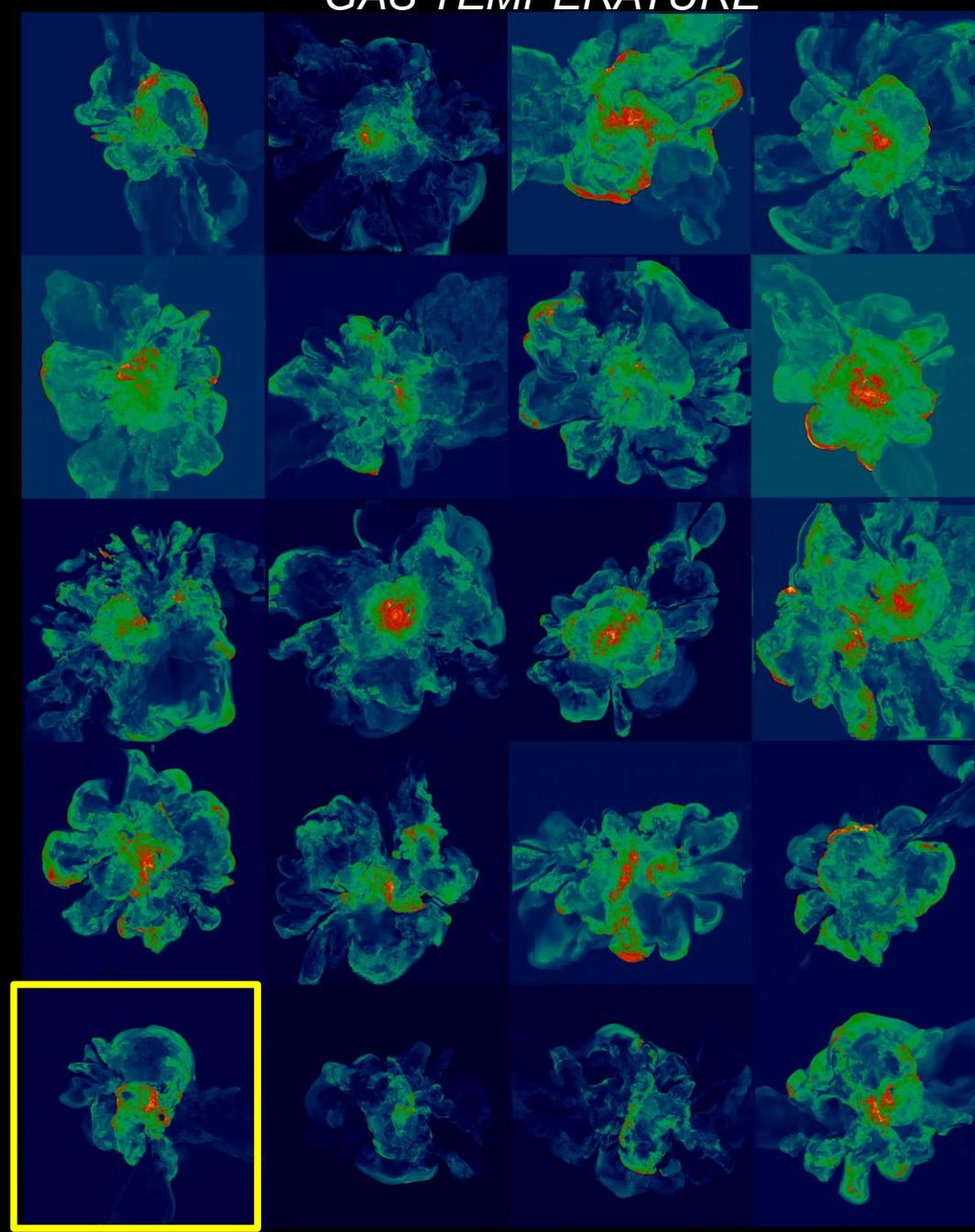
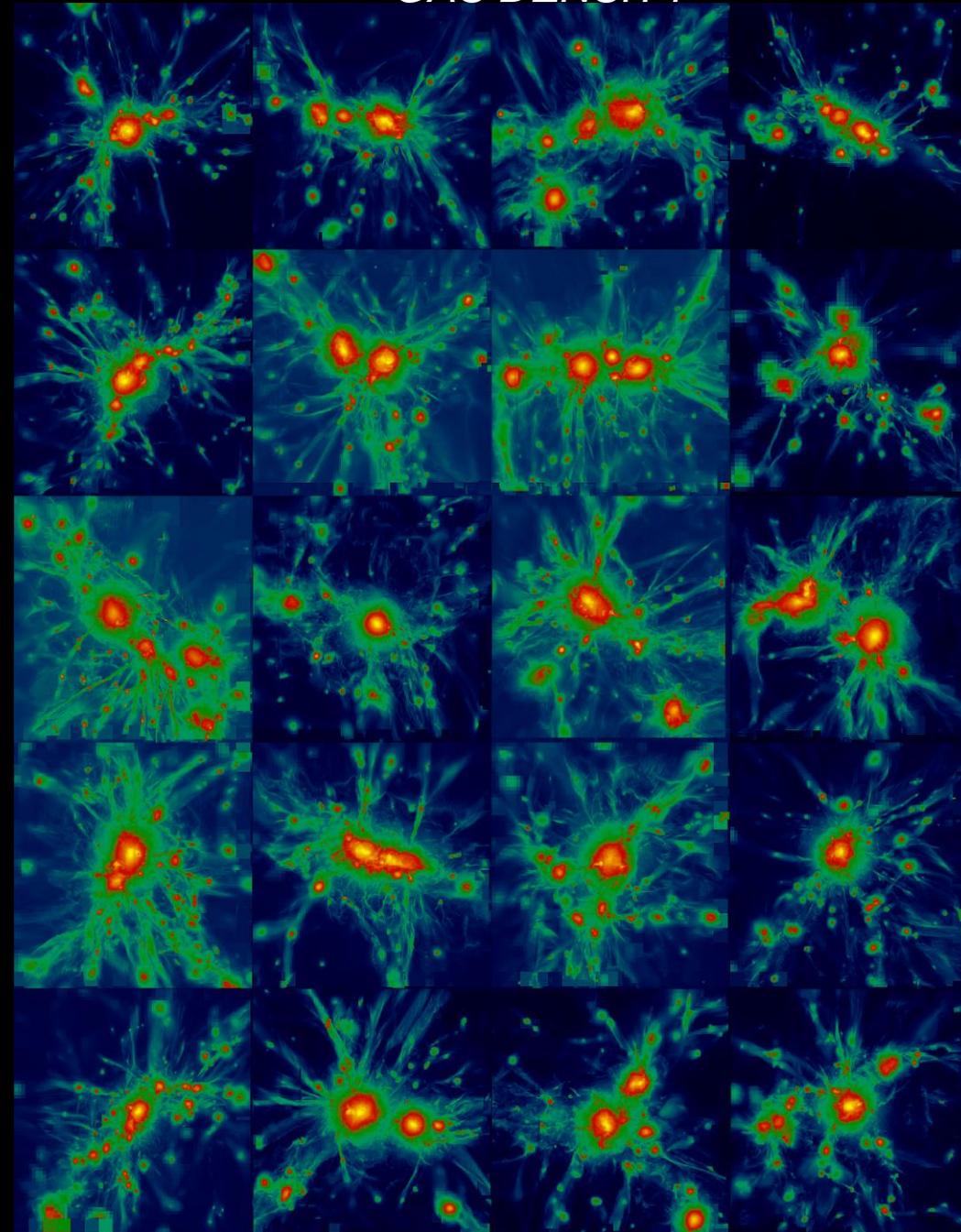
Gas temperature

“These are movies showing the evolution within the region of adaptive mesh refinement in our typical runs. The code for the rendering is SPLOTCH (Dolag et al.2008)”

“This is a quick look at the sample at $z=0$. The data for all clusters are being publicly released to whoever might be interested, via web portal at <http://data.cineca.it> “

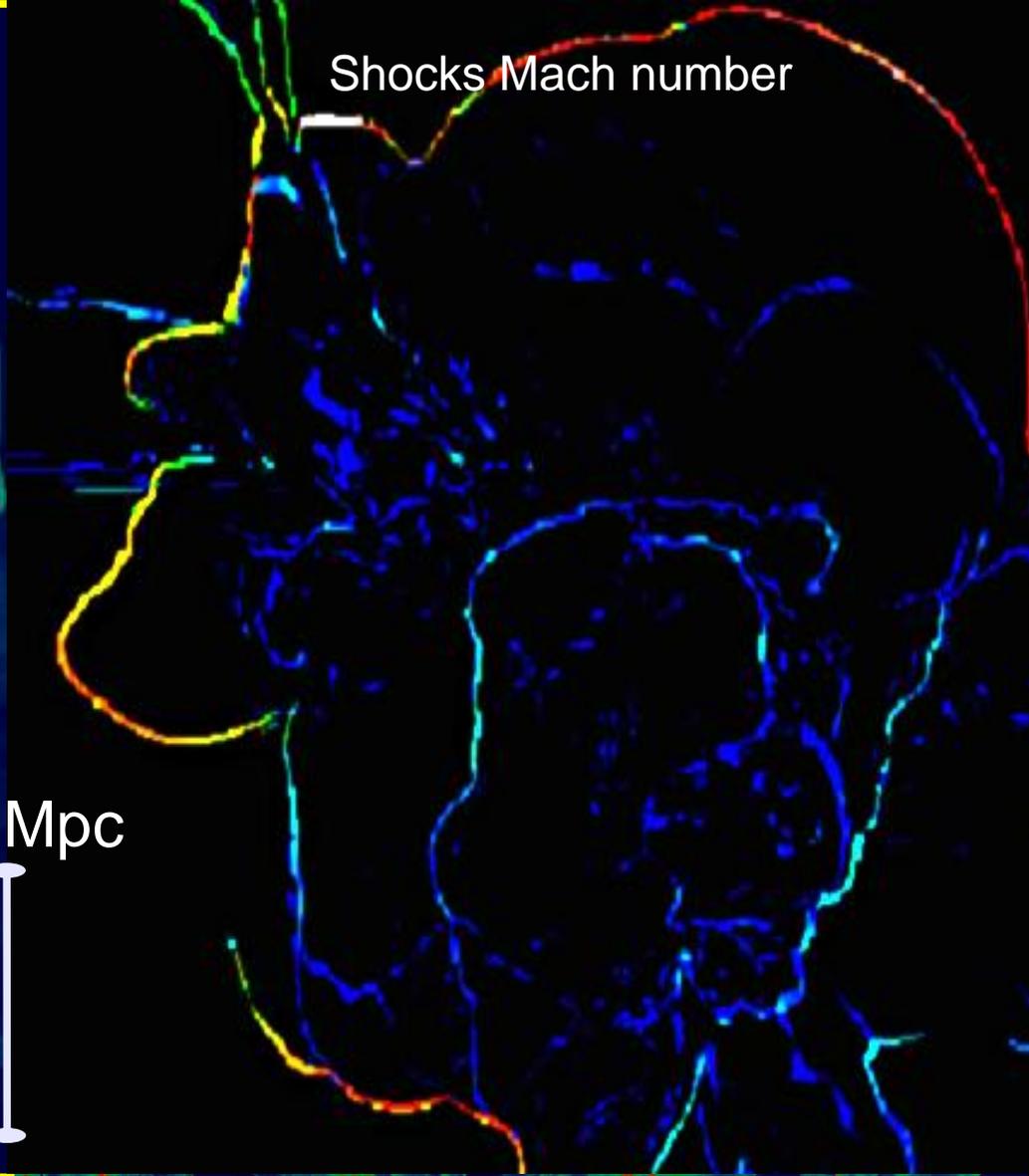
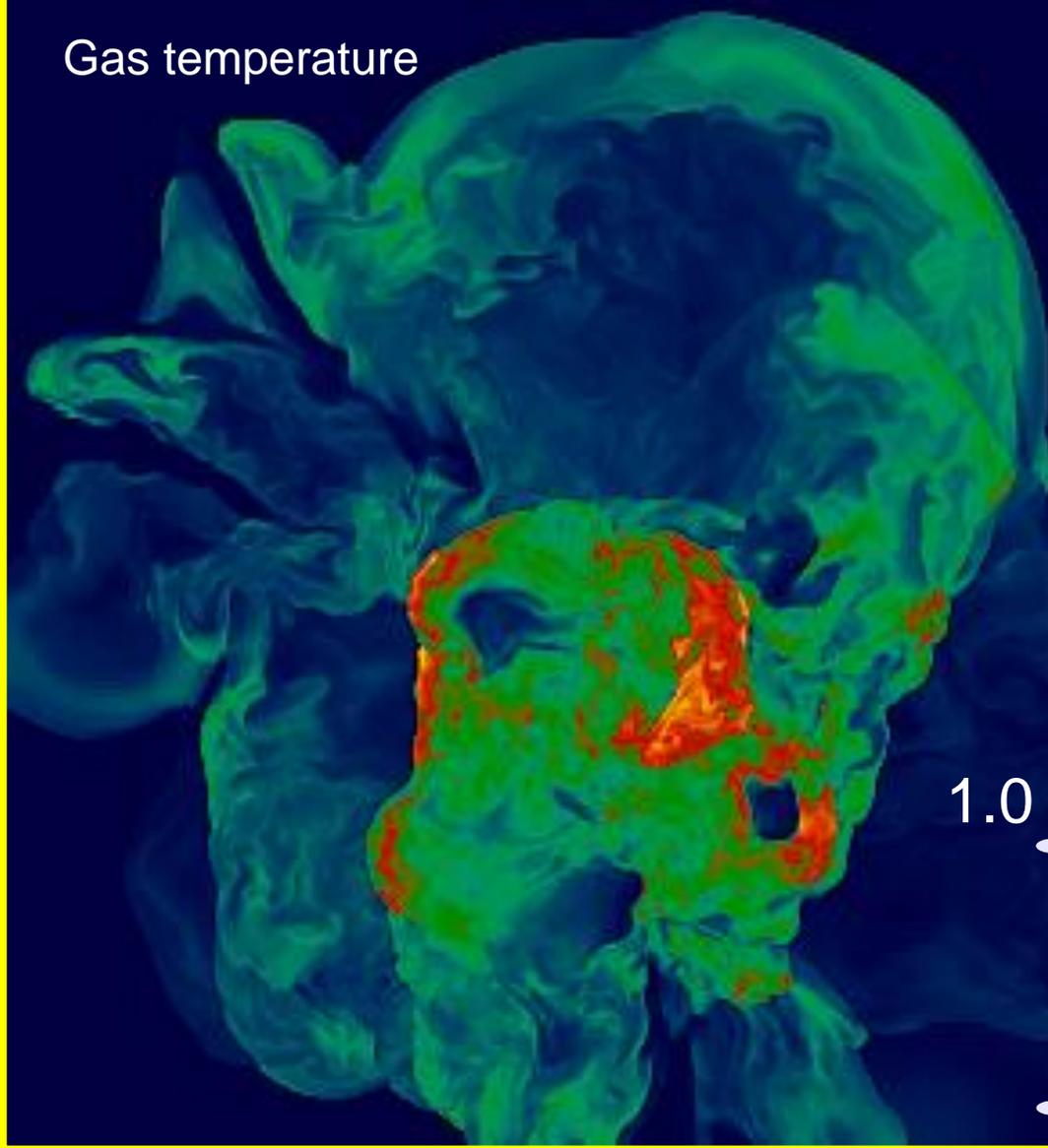
GAS DENSITY

GAS TEMPERATURE



Gas temperature

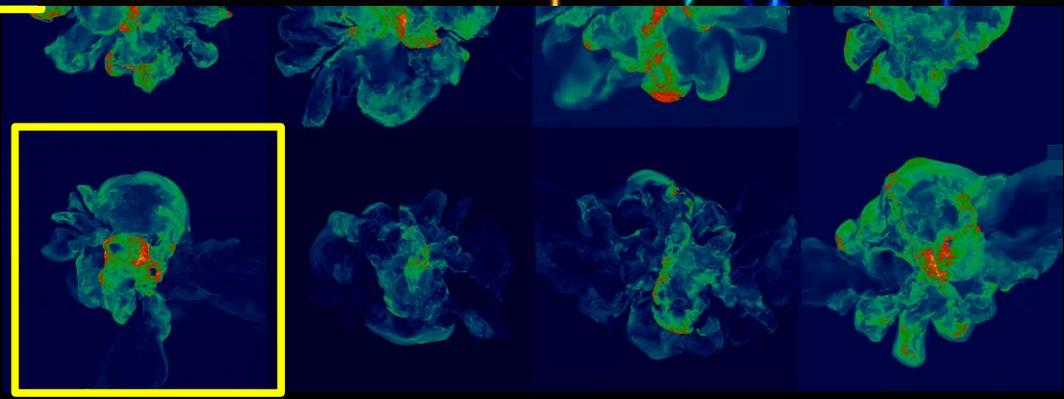
Shocks Mach number



1.0 Mpc

"This is the typical amount of details contained in every data.

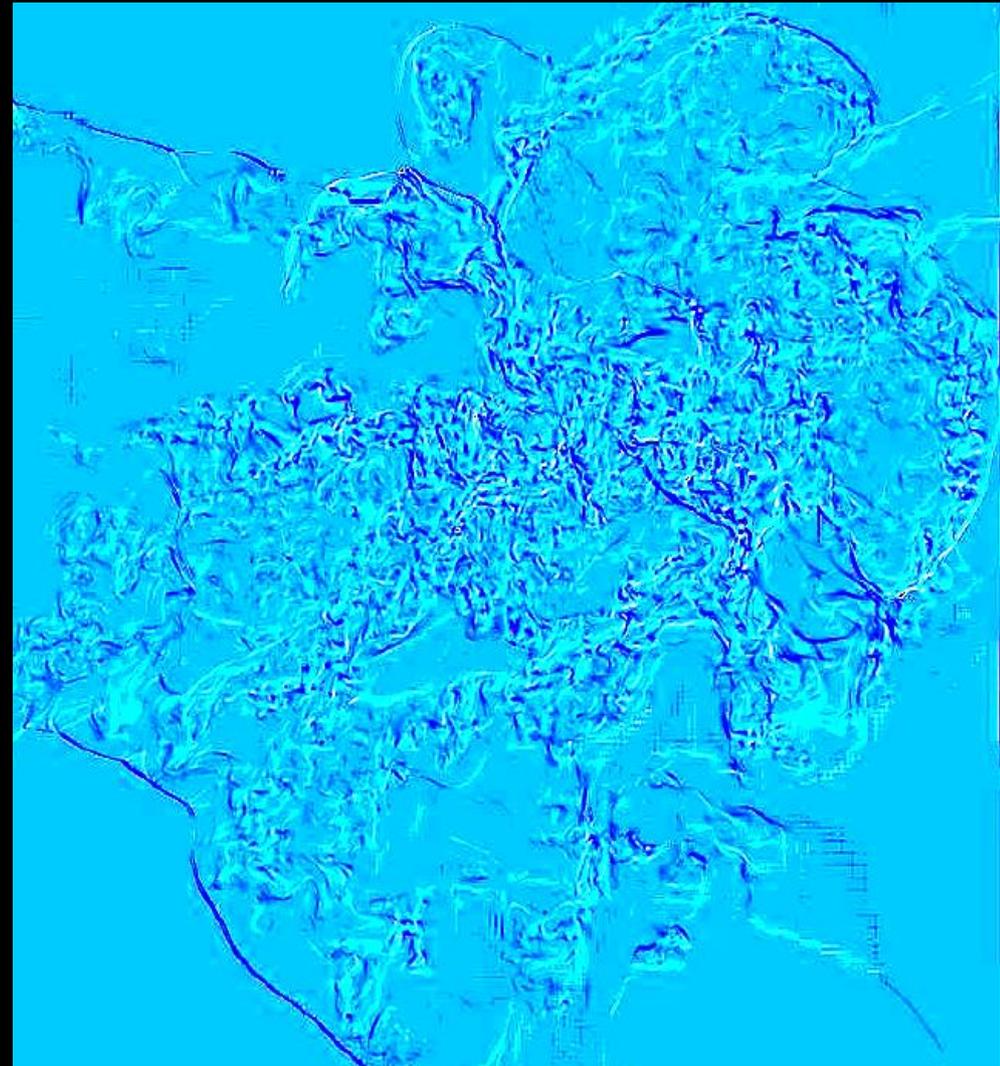
Inside the virial region of every cluster, the number of cells at the highest resolutions is $N \sim 10^8$



“The combination between our “old” cluster simulations at intermediate mass, and these “new” at large mass provide an interesting spectral & morphological representation of chaotic motions in clusters.

I will shortly present results about:

- the 3rd order structure function of the velocity field;***
- 3D power spectra***
- the pair dispersion statistics of advected passive tracers “***

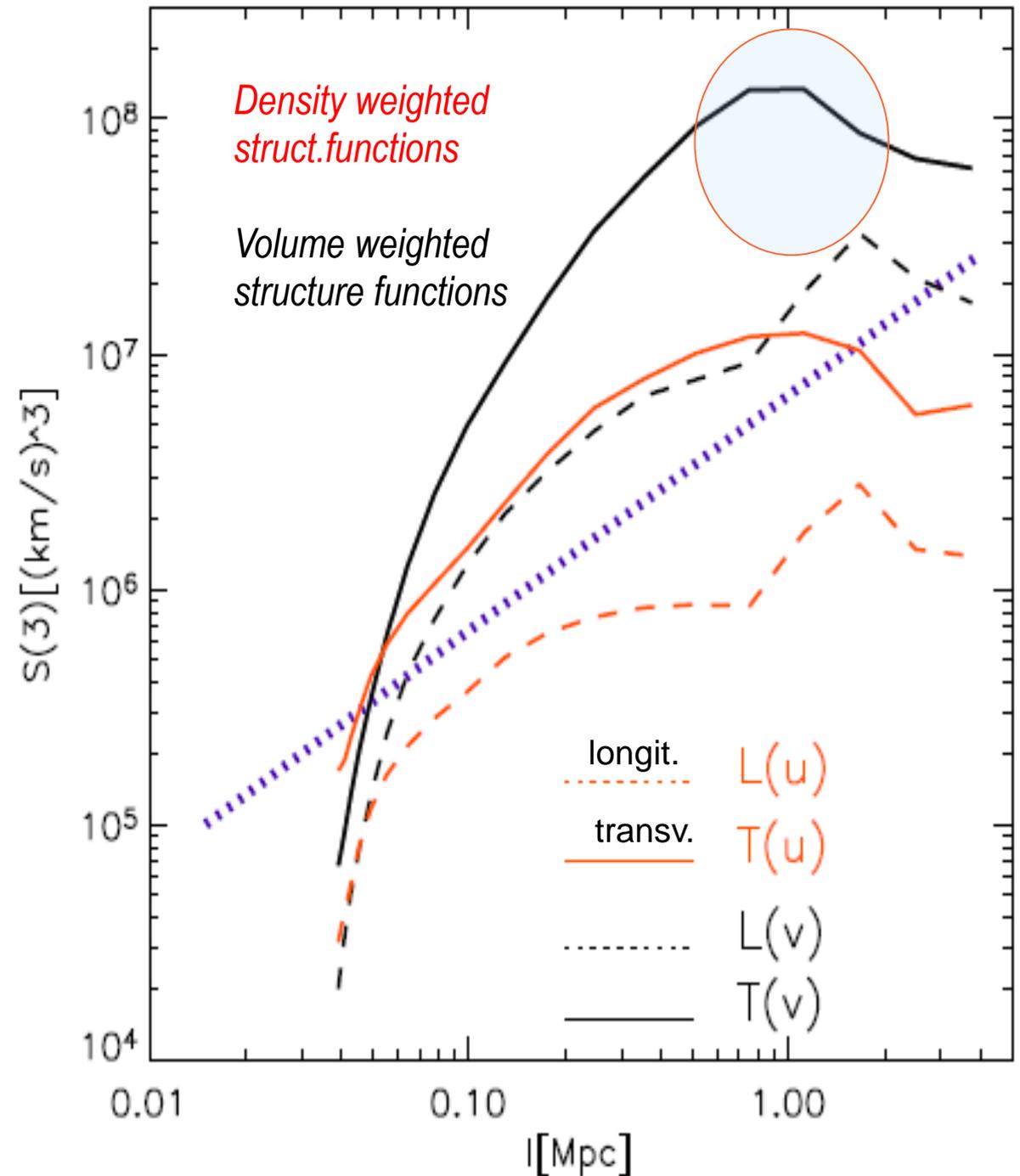


3rd order structure functions

$$S_p(l) = \langle |\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{l}) - \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{r})|^3 \rangle$$

“A representative result for a cluster.

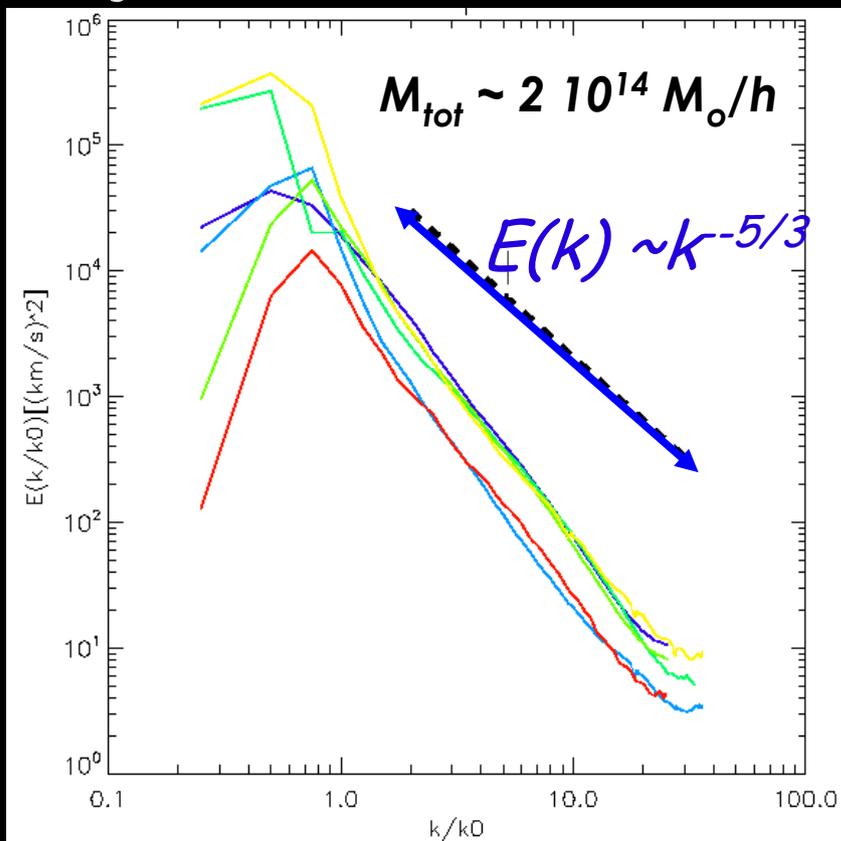
- an “outer injection ” scale of $\sim 1-1.5 R_{\text{vir}}$
- a power law distribution of energy, for ~ 2 decades in k “



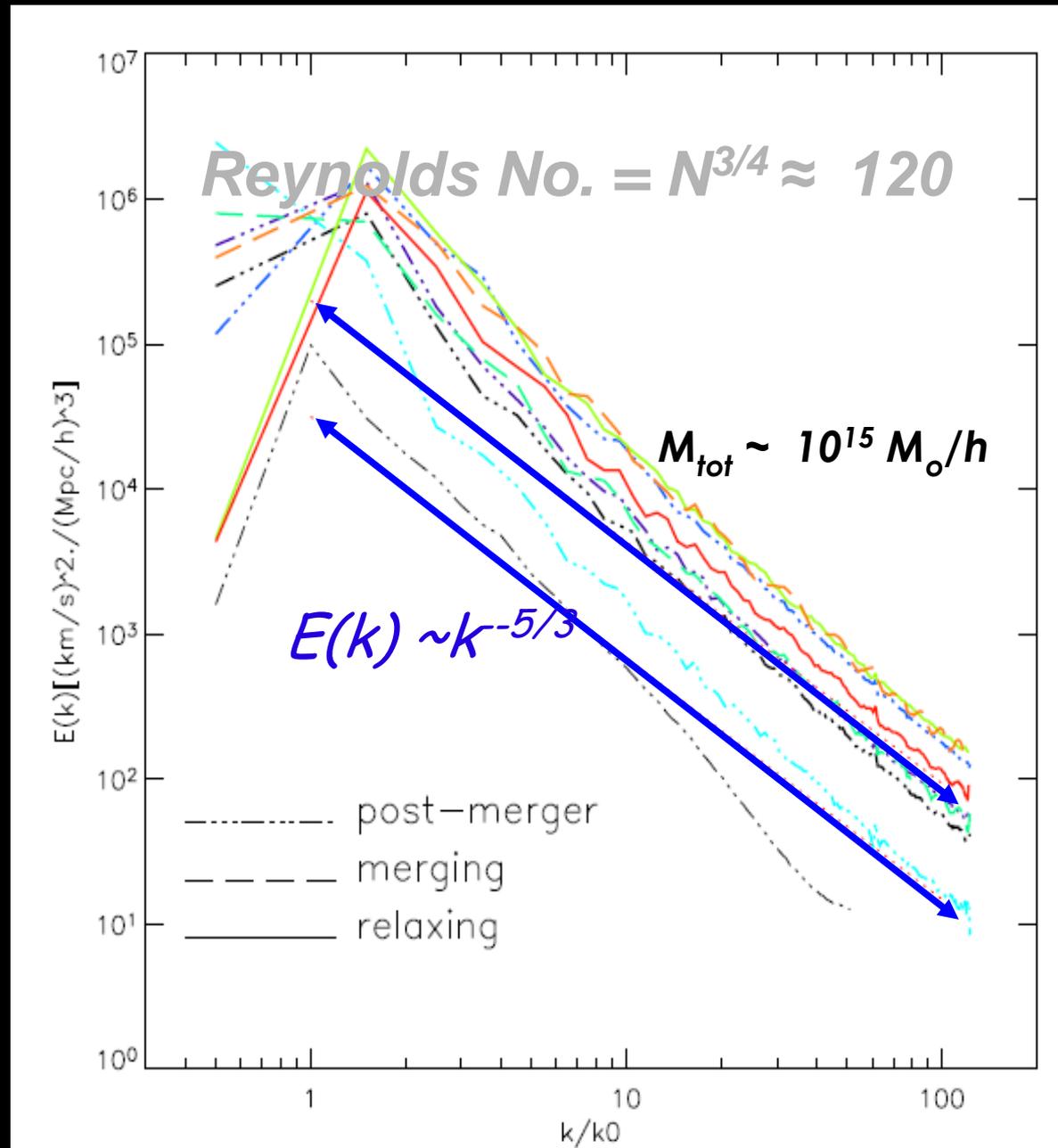
$$E(\mathbf{k}) = \frac{1}{2} |\tilde{\mathbf{v}}(\mathbf{k})|^2,$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{v}}(\mathbf{k}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int_V \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}) e^{-2\pi i \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}} d^3 x$$

Reynolds No. = $N^{3/4} \approx 70$



3D power spectra



“Results for moderate mass clusters and for the most massive ones k_0 is normalized to be the frequency at R_{vir} for every cluster”

"We developed the possibility of injecting an following passive lagrangian tracers in the evolving ICM of our simulations."

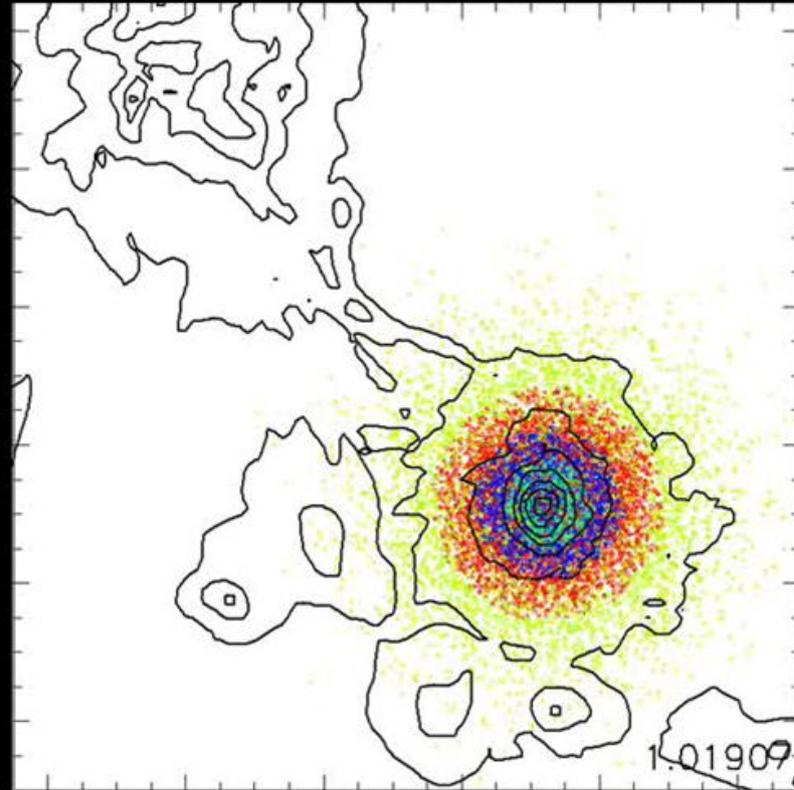
"many"

$N \sim 10^5 - 10^6$

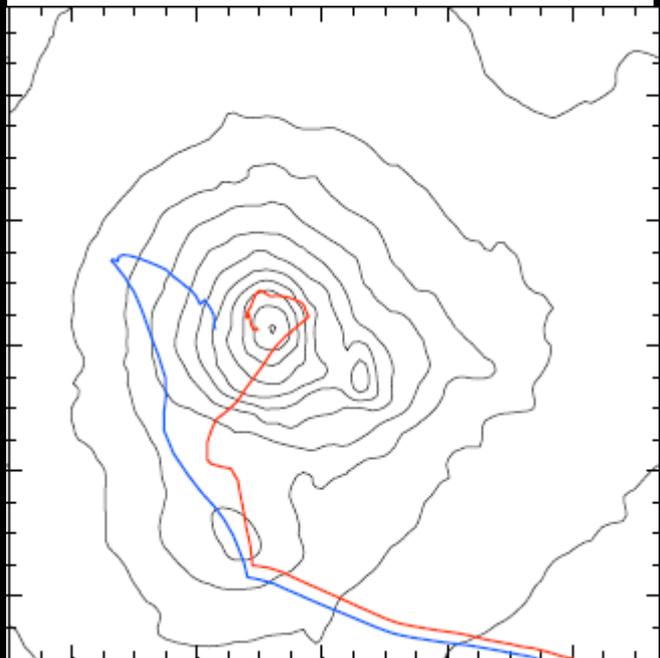
passive tracers
advected by the
evolving ICM

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"lagrangian" &
"eulerian" view
together



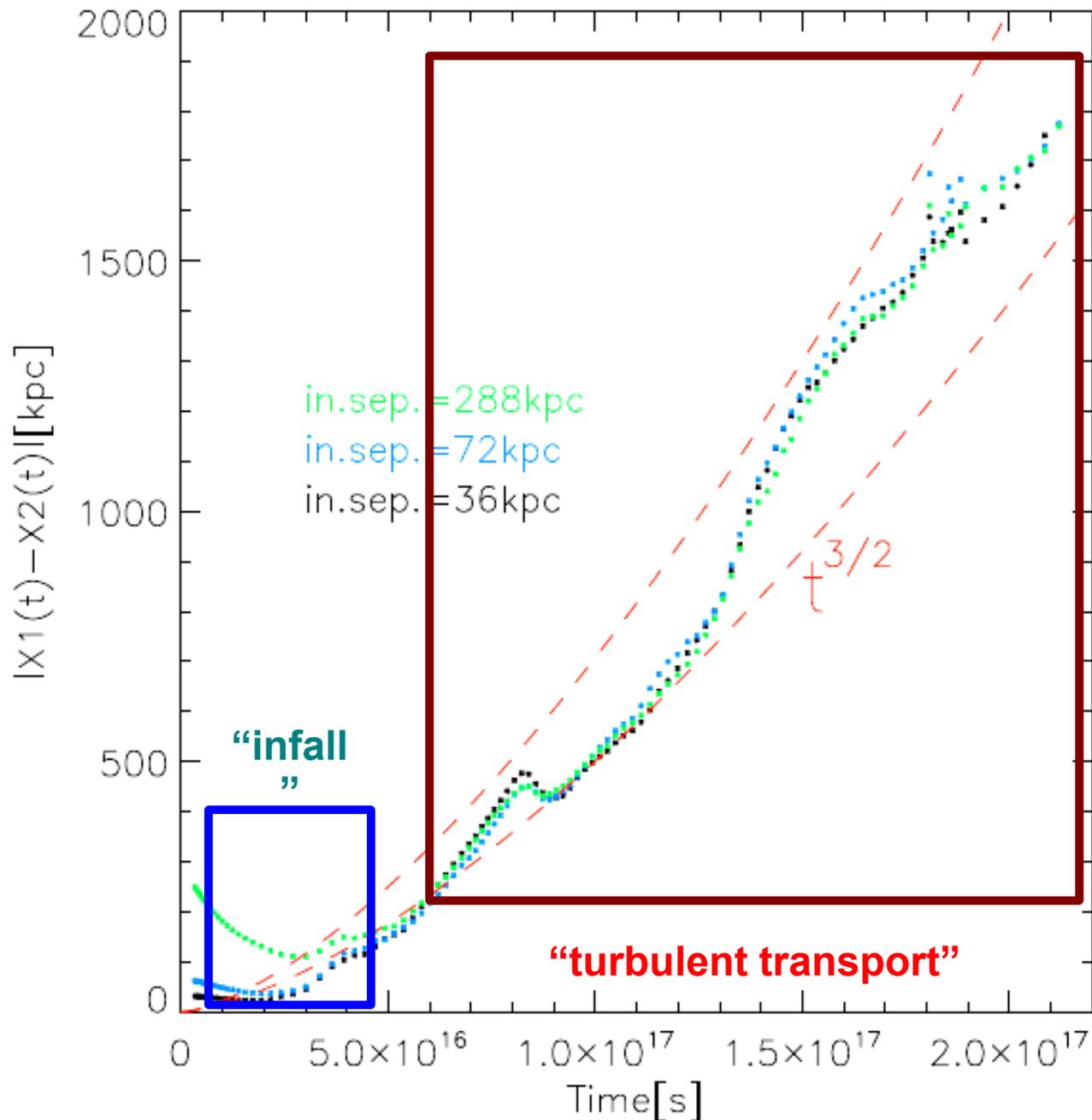
$$P(t) \equiv \langle |X_1(t) - X_2(t)| \rangle$$



“The mean separation of pairs of tracers shows the trend of an increase with time as in the “classic” turbulent transport $\sim t^{3/2}$.

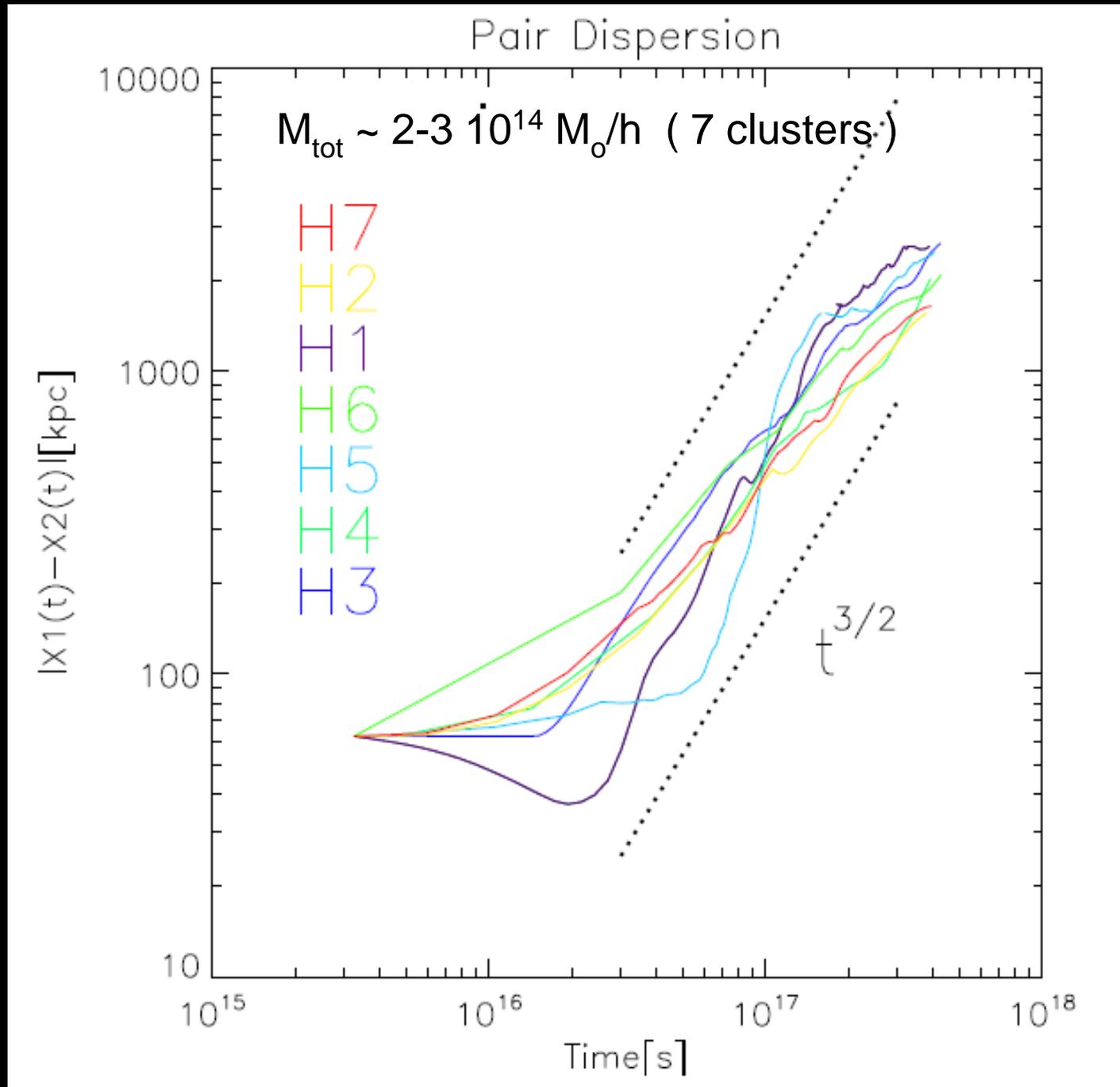
After the initial ‘infall’ epoch, the long-time trend is independent of the initial separation, as in ‘classic’ turbulent transport scenario.”

PAIR DISPERSION STATISTICS



“ The trend is similar for many different clusters, with different dynamical histories.

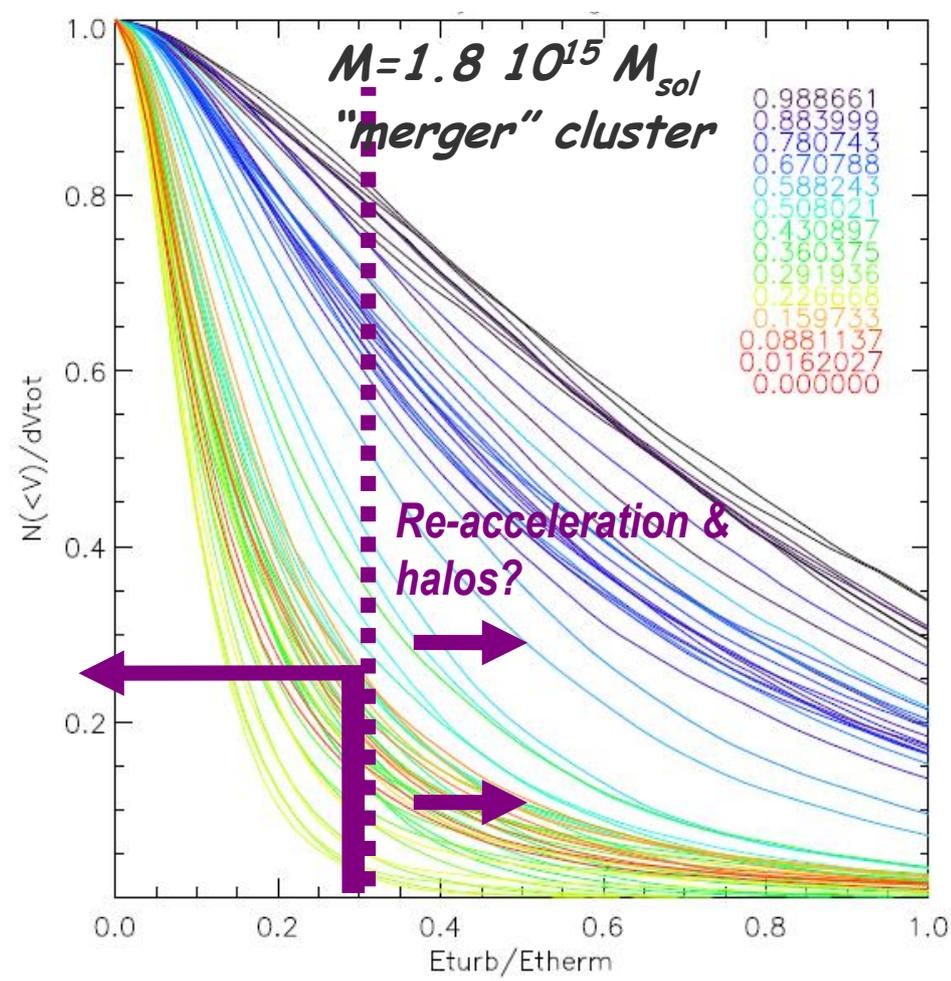
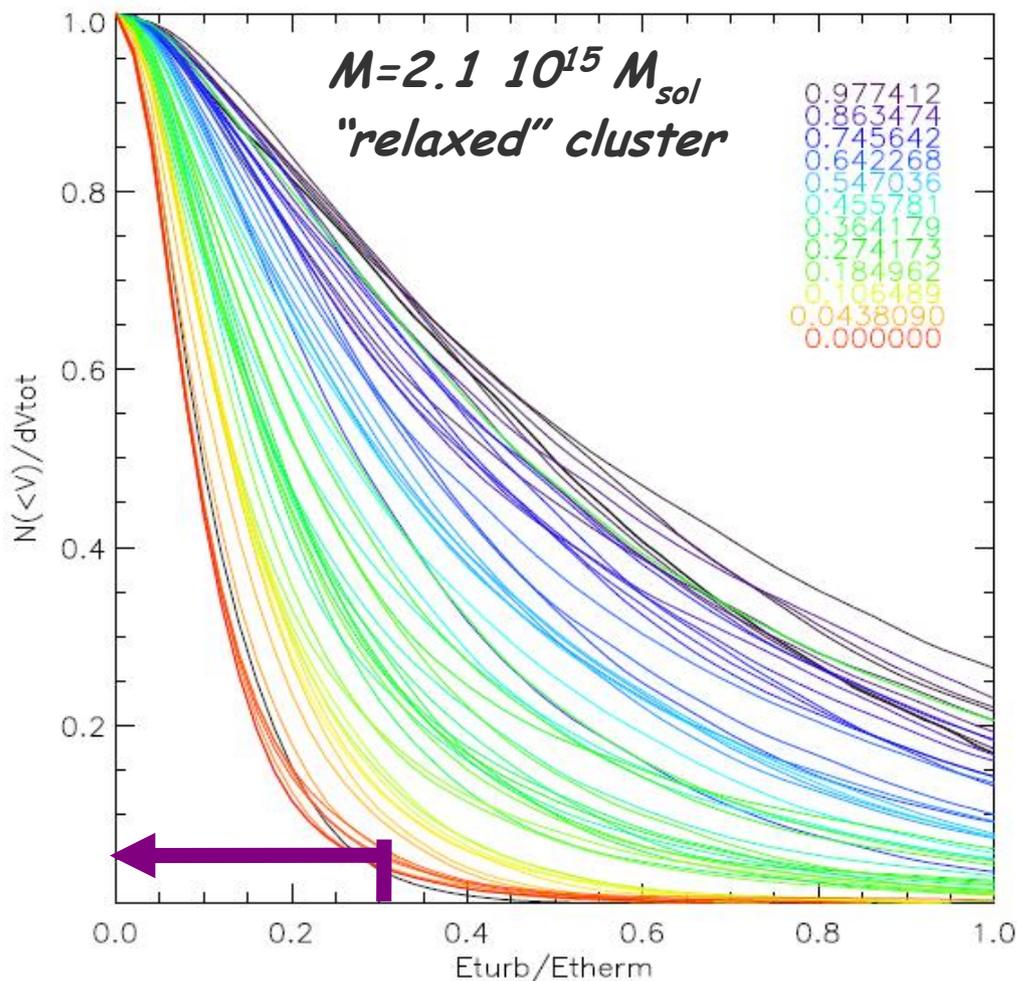
The implied transport velocities of gas particles in the evolving ICM is of the order of $v \sim 100-200 \text{ km/s}$ “



Vazza, Gheller &
Brunetti 2010 A&A

transport velocities of $v \sim 100-200 \text{ km/s}$

*How much is the kinetic (turbulent) energy compared to the thermal energy?
(B field amplification, particle re-acceleration...)*



“Less than < 5% of the volume inside $R_{vir}/4$ has $E_{turb}/E_{th} > 30%$ for quiet clusters at $z=0$ ”

“About ~ 30% of the volume inside $R_{vir}/4$ has $E_{turb}/E_{th} > 30%$ for merger clusters”

*“What? Time is already left?
Gosh!
Ok, I skip to the conclusions...*

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Maybe the best picture we obtained so far of one of our simulated cluster, with 4 levels of refinement (dynamical range $N \sim 600$), may convince you that the simulated ICM necessarily contain (subsonic) turbulent motions... “



conclusions

- Cosmological grid simulations with AMR provide robust indication that galaxy clusters host subsonic turbulent motions

- Turbulent motions are characterized by outer (“injection”) scales of \sim Mpc with a power-law energy distribution for several (2-3) orders of magnitude in k 's.

- Episodic phases with $>30\%$ energy in chaotic motions (compared to thermal energy) are found for dynamically active clusters at $z \sim 0$



Thanks and have a good conference!
Franco Vazza