Molecular gas properties of three Virgo spirals experiencing ram pressure

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Cluster Environments



Cluster galaxy population: passive and red Hogg et al. 2004

Ram pressure stripping

Gravitation interaction

Tidal interactions among galaxies, galaxy mergers

 ICM (The intracluster medium) - ISM (The interstellar medium) interaction

Ram pressure stripping (Gunn & Gott 1972)

 $P_{Ram} = \rho_{ICM} \mathbf{v}_{gal}^2$

 $P_{Ram} > F_{grav,gas} \rightarrow gas is stripped$

 ρ_{ICM} : the density of ICM v_{gal} : the velocity of a galaxy relative to ICM

Normal spiral galaxy → Red S0 galaxy

Ram pressure stripping & HI gas

Cluster spiral



Chung et al. 2009

Field spiral



Walter et al. 2008

Yellow contours: HI gas Grey scale: the stellar disk

HI gas of many cluster spirals:

highly disturbed morphology and/or truncation within the stellar disk.

(Warmerls 1988; Cayatte et al. 1990; Chung et al. 2009)

Ram pressure stripping & HI gas



Chung et al. 2009

HI deficient compared to field counterpart,

with highly disturbed morphology and/or truncation within the stellar disk.

(Davies & Lewis 1973; Warmerls 1988; Cayatte et al. 1990; Chung et al. 2009)

Star formation activity in cluster environments



Star formation activity in Virgo spirals:

A smaller Ha extent and truncated star-forming disk within the stellar disk

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Ram pressure also affects Molecular gas???

- Q. Can ram pressure also strip molecular gas?
- **Q.** Can ram pressure change the molecular gas properties?
- Q. If so, does star formation activity change?
- **Q. Are cluster galaxies deficient in molecular?**

1) No significant difference in molecular gas mass between cluster and non-cluster galaxies (Stark et al. 1986, Kenney & Young 1989)

2) HI deficient galaxies → Deficient in molecular gas (Fumagalli et al. 2009, Boselli et al. 2014)

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It is hard to define how deficient one galaxy is in molecular gas.

The CO brightness ranges widely for galaxies in high and low-density environments

H2 deficiency cannot be defined in the same way as HI deficiency.

Scientific Goals

 Investigate detailed properties (CO morphology and CO kinematics) of molecular gas of galaxies experiencing ram pressure

• Study how star formation activity changes together with ISM using multi-wavelength data (optical, HI, UV, Ha)

 Study how the physical and chemical conditions (density and temperature) of molecular gas are changed due to ram pressure

Virgo cluster & Sample galaxies



Virgo cluster a distance of 16 Mpc

Different HI stripping stages :

Early to active ram pressure stage NGC4330, NGC 4402, NGC4522

Past ram pressure stage NGC4569

X-ray : blue, Böringer et al. 1994 Optical : gray, DSS2 blue HI : yellow, Chung et al. 2009

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Observations



The Submillimeter Array (SMA)

Array configuration : Subcompact

NGC4330, NGC4402, NGC4522, except for NGC 4569

> 12CO (2-1), 230.538GHz 13CO (2-1), 220.398GHz

Observations



The SMA observation points : red circles Optical : gray, DSS2 blue HI : blue contours, Chung et al. 2009 The primary beam size: ~54 arcsec at 230 GHz

Mosaic observation:3-5 points

CO morphology → highly asymmetric and disturbed → closely related to the HI morphology



12CO (2-1): blue, SMA, Lee et al. in preparation 12CO (2-1): green, IRAM 30m, Vollmer et al. 2008 HI: red, Chung et al. 2009 D_{25} in the optical B band: black ellipse, RC3 Synthesized beam size of the VLA and SMA: red and blue ellipse







Molecular gas has been influenced by ram pressure.

Peculiar CO kinematics

Velocity field (NGC 4330)

Velocity field (NGC 4402)



Color scale: velocity range (km/s)

Deviated from galactic rotation Asymmetric kinematical structure

Peculiar CO kinematics

Velocity field (NGC 4402)

Position-velocity diagram (NGC 4402)



Comparisons with multi-wavelength data



Morphological correlation among multi-wavelength data

Ha: ~20 Myr FUV: ~100 Myr Kennicutt 1998

- A similar distribution and extent between CO and Ha
- FUV, distinct morphology from those of Ha/CO
- The FUV enhancement along the CO compression

Comparisons with multi-wavelength data



Morphological correlation among multi-wavelength data

Ha: ~20 Myr FUV: ~100 Myr Kennicutt 1998

12CO (2-1) (white: SMA, yellow: IRAM)

- FUV, more extended than CO and Hα
- FUV and Ha in the extraplanar gas

Ongoing ram pressure stripping stage



The relationship between molecular gas and star formation activity in three galaxies

- Ha and CO are overall in good agreement.
- The FUV extent is similar to the HI extent or larger than the HI extent.
- Local FUV enhancements found near CO compression in the upstream side
- → locally induced star formation due to ram pressure (e.g. Fujita & Nagashima 1999)
- FUV shows distinct morphology and extent from those of Ha/CO
- → Recently quenched star formation in the last 100 Myr

Past ram pressure stripping stage



NGC 4569

Moving away from the cluster center after crossing core

SF quenching time >> 300 Myr

- The extent of FUV disk is comparable to that of Ha and CO/HI.
- \rightarrow The FUV emission fade as time goes by
- → The FUV extent can decrease to the Ha extent

Galaxy evolution in the galaxy cluster

Ongoing ram pressure stripping stage

Past ram pressure stripping stage



Cluster galaxy become passive and red

Work in progress

Physical properties of molecular gas

Studying physical properties in molecular gas with line ratios (12CO, 13CO) & non-LTE model (RADEX, Van der Tak et al. 2007)

Temperature and density distribution of CO gas of NGC 4402



IRAM 30m telescope

OTF (on the fly) mode

NGC4402

12CO (1-0), 115.271 GHz 13CO (1-0), 110.201 GHz 12CO (2-1), 230.538 GHz 13CO (2-1), 220.398 GHz

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Physical properties of molecular gas



 T_{KIN} (K): ~5.7 – 14.3 n(H₂, cm⁻³) : ~10^{1.3} – 10^{2.8}

 T_{KIN} (K): ~5.5 – 170.0 n(H₂, cm⁻³) : ~10^{1.8} – 10^{3.4}

Physical properties of molecular gas

Temperature and density distribution of molecular gas in NGC 4402

Understand the star formation quenching process in the cluster galaxies



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Recent CO study using JCMT: (Mok et la. 2016) Molecular gas enhancement among the Virgo cluster members √ ICM BOMBARDS A GALAXY
 √ HI GAS IS STRIPPED
 √ MOLECULAR GAS IS DISTURBED!!





- The overall morphology and kinematics of molecular gas are asymmetric and disturbed due to ram pressure.
- Peculiarities in molecular gas is closely connected to that in diffuse atomic gas, reflecting the effects of ram pressure.
- **FUV enhancement** is found along the **CO compression** region in the ICM wind front. It is **locally induced star formation** by ram pressure.
- FUV shows distinct morphology and extent from those of Ha/CO. This indicates that star formation has been recently quenched in the last 100 Myr.
- We are currently probing the **physical and chemical status of molecular gas** of NGC 4402 using multiple CO transitions.