# **CHEX-MATE:** The first census of ICM discontinuities in a representative sample of galaxy clusters



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#### What do we mean by SB discontinuities?



X-ray images and brightness profiles reveal sharp changes in ICM structure.

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**COLD FRONTS:** 2) **sloshing** triggered by off-axis/minor merger events.

## The challenge: detect edges in CHEX-MATE

A XMM-Newton analysis of a large sample of galaxy clusters (**116 objects**). How to identify these features in the **most objective** way possible?





**Chandra:** resolution~0.5 arcsec.

XMM: resolution~13 arcsec

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CASE C: SB deficit with gradient steepening-> EDGES

# **Application on CHEX-MATE**

Example of a **cold front** detection in one object from the sample.



**Candidate** region shown in white, detected **edge** in black..



**SB profile across the edge:** model includes PSF smoothing.

#### Comparison with the literature



#### The CHEX-MATE catalog of ICM discontinuities



We found 69 edges, of which 41 are newly detected;

48 clusters out of 116 (~ **40%**) show at least **one edge**.

The fraction of edges is significantly higher at **high masses** and at **high redshift**.

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No peculiar trend is observed between relaxed, mixed and disturbed systems.



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Strong correlation between BCG offset and distance from the X-ray peak.



# Spectral classification of the edges

We used wavelet temperature maps for a **preliminary classification** of edges into shocks and cold fronts. We found **14 candidate shocks** and **42 candidate cold fronts**.



#### Comparison with the radio information

All clusters with at least one edge host either a radio halo, a radio relic, or a mini-halo.

The reverse is not true: **only half** of the clusters with **diffuse radio emission** show at least **one edge**.

The majority of the mixed systems with radio emission, do not show any edge -> **Projection** effects at work.



[X-ray and radio view of G113.91 from Campitiello et al. 2023]

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- **Definition of a method** for the detection of edges up to z~0.55;
- Identification and characterisation of the edges in CHEX-MATE;
- **Preliminary classification** in shocks and cold fronts;
- Investigation of the **limits** of XMM analysis;
- Comparison with the radio emission

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