Obscured AGN in Clusters of Galaxies

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Motivations

AGN feedback on galaxy clusters and cluster galaxies Do AGN preheat the intracluster medium?

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35 are classified as AGN Only 4 show spectral signatures

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We have observed 8 clusters with 0.06 < z < 0.3 In ~1400 cluster galaxies with M_R <-20: 35 have $L_X > 10^{41}$ for $f_A = 5\%$ 1 has $L_{X,H} > 10^{43}$ for $f_A = 0.07\%$

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