

High Energy Astrophysics

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Gamma-rays

• Trace most energetic processes in the universe

- Shocks
- Explosions
- Relativistic particles

 (injected directly via feedback and/or accelerated by intracluster shocks)
 - Cosmic rays
- They are rare, so we *stack* (pulsar stack example) →



Galaxy clusters

- Most massive objects in the universe, nodes of the cosmic web
- Feedback of some kind boosts core temperature
 - *Jets* from active galactic nuclei?
 - Winds from starburst supernovae?
 - Shocks from galaxy mergers and/or infall?
 - Mysterious business??
 - All the above???
- Stack nearby <u>Planck SZ clusters</u>