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Truncated Star Formation and Ram Pressure Stripping in the Coma Cluster

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Abstract

We use 45 galaxies from the Mapping Nearby Galaxies at Apache Point Observatory survey to study the physical drivers of star formation quenching in the Coma Cluster. We measure specific star formation rate (sSFR) radial profiles for the Coma sample as well as a control sample of noncluster field galaxies. We find that compared to the control sample, galaxies within the Coma Cluster have sSFR profiles that fall off more steeply with galactocentric radius. We then apply a toy model based on slow-then-rapid quenching via ram pressure stripping. We find that this model is able to reproduce the difference in sSFR profiles between field and Coma galaxies. These results demonstrate that ram pressure stripping plays a significant role in quenching star formation in the nearest massive galaxy cluster.

Unified Astronomy Thesaurus concepts: [Ram pressure stripped tails \(2126\)](#); [Coma Cluster \(270\)](#); [Star formation \(1569\)](#); [Galaxy quenching \(2040\)](#); [Galaxy disks \(589\)](#)

1. Introduction

The evolution of galaxies in clusters differs greatly from those that are relatively isolated in the field. It has been observed that clusters are dominated by red, quiescent galaxies, while sparser environments contain galaxies that are bluer with active star formation (e.g., A. J. Oemler 1974; M. Davis & M. J. Geller 1976; H. Butcher & A. J. Oemler 1978; A. Dressler 1980; M. Postman & M. J. Geller 1984). This is due to the fact that galaxies in clusters are subjected to a host of different interactions, including gravitational interactions between all the surrounding galaxies, and hydrodynamical interactions from the act of moving through the intracluster medium (ICM). Such interactions include tidal effects which can remove the gas and stellar mass of a galaxy (e.g., L. Mayer et al. 2006; A. Chung et al. 2007), harassment, which is high speed fly-by encounters between galaxies that strips some gas (e.g. B. Moore et al. 1996), viscous stripping (P. E. J. Nulsen 1982), thermal evaporation due to the hot ICM (L. L. Cowie & A. Songaila 1977), starvation, which is the prevention of the accretion of more gas due to the hot ICM (e.g., R. B. Larson et al. 1980; Y. Peng et al. 2015), and ram pressure stripping (RPS; J. E. Gunn & J. R. I. Gott 1972).

RPS occurs as a galaxy moves through the ICM. Through this relative motion, a pressure is built up which can cause some of the interstellar medium (ISM) of the galaxy to be stripped away. Given that gas located in the outskirts of the disk is less strongly bound than gas near the galaxy center, this stripping occurs from the outside in. In rich clusters, ram pressure is thought to play the dominant role in quenching galaxies. Evidence for this includes the high HI deficiencies of cluster galaxies relating to their orbits (e.g., B. Vollmer et al. 2001; A. Boselli & G. Gavazzi 2006; G. Gavazzi et al. 2013; A. Boselli et al. 2014; K. A. Oman et al. 2021), the presence of

one-sided tails extending beyond the galaxy disk (so-called “jellyfish” galaxies; e.g., G. Gavazzi et al. 2001; R. J. Smith et al. 2010; B. M. Poggianti et al. 2017; A. Boselli et al. 2018; Y. L. Jaffé et al. 2018; I. D. Roberts et al. 2021a, 2021b), metallicities being higher closer to the center of the cluster meaning a denser ICM (e.g., C. Maier et al. 2019a; B. I. Ciocan et al. 2020), more quenched galaxies being found in regions of higher ICM density (I. D. Roberts et al. 2019), and outside-in stripping of cold gas in cluster galaxies (e.g., L. Cortese et al. 2021; N. Zabel et al. 2022).

Furthermore, the outside-in nature of quenching via RPS can be probed by exploring radial profiles of star formation in cluster galaxies. For other galaxies, like the Virgo Cluster, radial profiles showed that star formation rates (SFRs) are concentrated near the center of the galaxies (e.g., R. A. Koopmann & J. D. P. Kenney 2004; R. A. Koopmann et al. 2006). A. L. Schaefer et al. (2017) found that this was also true when studying the radial profiles of cluster galaxies, indicating that galaxies in clusters may be experiencing outside-in quenching. There have been numerous studies using radial profiles to better understand quenching of galaxies, such as seeing whether it depends on environment density or if stellar mass has any effect (e.g., A. Spindler et al. 2018; V. Coenda et al. 2019; M. S. Owers et al. 2019; A. L. Schaefer et al. 2019).

In this work, we use resolved optical spectroscopy from the Mapping Nearby Galaxies at Apache Point Observatory (MaNGA; F. Belfiore et al. 2019; K. B. Westfall et al. 2019) survey to explore the impact of RPS on star formation within galaxies in the Coma Cluster. As the nearest massive cluster, Coma is an excellent laboratory for improving our understanding of galaxy evolution in dense environments. Its proximity permits resolved studies of star formation at kiloparsec scales in member galaxies. Additionally, many galaxies within the Coma Cluster are HI deficient (e.g., G. Gavazzi 1987, 1989; D. C. Molnár et al. 2022), already suggesting a significant role played by RPS.

The outline of the paper is as follows. In Section 2, we describe the sample selection, the production of stellar mass

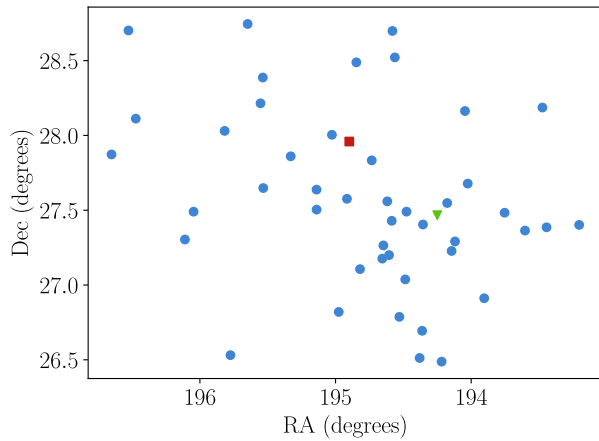


Figure 1. Blue dots indicate the position of the Coma galaxies in our sample. The red square is the center of the cluster, and the green triangle indicates the position of NGC 4839.

and SFR maps, and the method used for calculating radial profiles of star formation. In Section 3, we present the main results from this work, including observed radial profiles for Coma galaxies and field galaxies, as well as the application of a simple model of RPS to these observed trends. In Sections 4 and 5, we discuss these results and present our conclusions. Throughout, we have assumed a flat Λ CDM cosmology with $\Omega_m = 0.3$, $\Omega_\Lambda = 0.7$, and $H_0 = 70 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$.

2. Data and Methods

2.1. Galaxy Samples

We construct a sample of satellite galaxies in the Coma Cluster that have publicly available integral field unit (IFU) spectroscopy from the MaNGA survey. We initially select all star-forming and green-valley galaxies from the final MaNGA sample that are within R_{200} of Coma (in projection) and have projected velocity offsets that are $< 3000 \text{ km s}^{-1}$ from the cluster centroid. Our star formation selection is based on a single cut in specific star formation rate (sSFR) at $\log(\text{sSFR}/\text{yr}^{-1}) > -11.7$. This selection gives 106 star-forming and green-valley member galaxies in Coma with MaNGA spectroscopy. This initial selection is based on integrated SFRs and stellar masses from spectral energy distribution (SED) fitting (S. Salim et al. 2016, 2018). However, further inspection revealed that there were a number of very-low-mass Coma galaxies that passed this initial selection, but actually had no detected $\text{H}\alpha$ emission in their MaNGA maps. This could simply be due to large uncertainties on the SED SFRs, or alternatively, it could be that these galaxies were quenched very recently. Following the spirit of our initial star formation selection, and because we aim to measure resolved properties of $\text{H}\alpha$ emission in Coma galaxies, we cull any galaxies from the sample without MaNGA-detected $\text{H}\alpha$ emission. This leaves a final Coma sample of 45 galaxies.

In Figure 1, we show the on-sky positions of our Coma sample alongside the center of the Coma Cluster (red square) and the position of NGC 4839 (green triangle), the central galaxy in an infalling group. We note that our galaxies are well distributed across the full Coma Cluster, with no obvious overdensity at the location of NGC 4839. Thus, we expect any

observed trends to be primarily driven by the large-scale cluster environment.

We also compile a control sample of field galaxies that will be used as a comparison for the cluster sample. To construct the control sample, we first selected all galaxies from the S. H. Lim et al. (2017) group catalog that are isolated (i.e., part of a single-member group) or part of a group with halo mass $< 10^{12.5} M_\odot$ and within 3000 km s^{-1} of the Coma Cluster redshift. We then crossmatch this subset with the MaNGA final data release sample to select those galaxies with IFU spectroscopy.

Lastly, to ensure that there are no stellar mass biases between the Coma and control samples, we selected a subsample of control galaxies that are well-matched to the stellar mass distribution of the Coma sample (Figure 2). We have run a two-sample Anderson–Darling test between the stellar mass distributions for the Coma and control samples. This test outputted a p -value of 0.119, indicating that there is no statistical evidence that they were drawn from different parent distributions.

2.2. Stellar Mass and SFR Maps

For all galaxies, we make use of resolved stellar mass and SFR maps. We use dust-corrected stellar mass maps from the Pipe3D value-added catalogs (S. F. Sánchez et al. 2016a, 2016b). For each stellar mass map, we apply the “dezonification” map in order to reduce the signature of the spatial binning (see R. Cid Fernandes et al. 2013 for more details).

We compute SFR maps based on the extinction-corrected $\text{H}\alpha$ luminosity. We first mask all spaxels with signal-to-noise ratio (S/N) < 3 in either the $\text{H}\alpha$ or $\text{H}\beta$ emission lines. We correct the $\text{H}\alpha$ luminosities for dust extinction using the Balmer decrement. The extinction-corrected $\text{H}\alpha$ luminosity is then converted to an SFR using the calibration from R. C. Kennicutt & N. J. Evans (2012). Lastly, in the SFR maps, we mask any spaxels that are classified as active galactic nuclei according to the Baldwin–Phillips–Terlevich (BPT) diagram using $\text{N II}/\text{H}\alpha$, $\text{S II}/\text{H}\alpha$, and $\text{O III}/\text{H}\beta$ lines, and a cutoff of $\text{S}/\text{N} < 3$ (L. J. Kewley et al. 2006).

2.3. Star Formation Radial Profiles

To compute star formation radial profiles, we take each galaxy and sort the star-forming pixels into elliptical radial bins (bin edges are $[0, 0.5, 1, 1.5, 2] R_e$) as seen in Figure 3. The average sSFR in each annulus is calculated by dividing the total SFR (which we get by summing the SFR of all pixels in the annulus) by the total stellar mass in the annulus. This is done for every Coma and control galaxy. For each radial bin, the mean and standard error of the sSFR are calculated in order to give the average radial profile and its spread.

3. Results

3.1. Observed Trends

In Figure 4, we show sSFR radial profiles for galaxies in the Coma and control samples. In the innermost bin, the sSFR between the two samples is similar. However, with increasing galactocentric radius, the difference between the Coma and control samples increases, with the Coma sSFR profiles falling off more steeply with radius. Qualitatively, this difference between the shape of the Coma and control radial profiles is

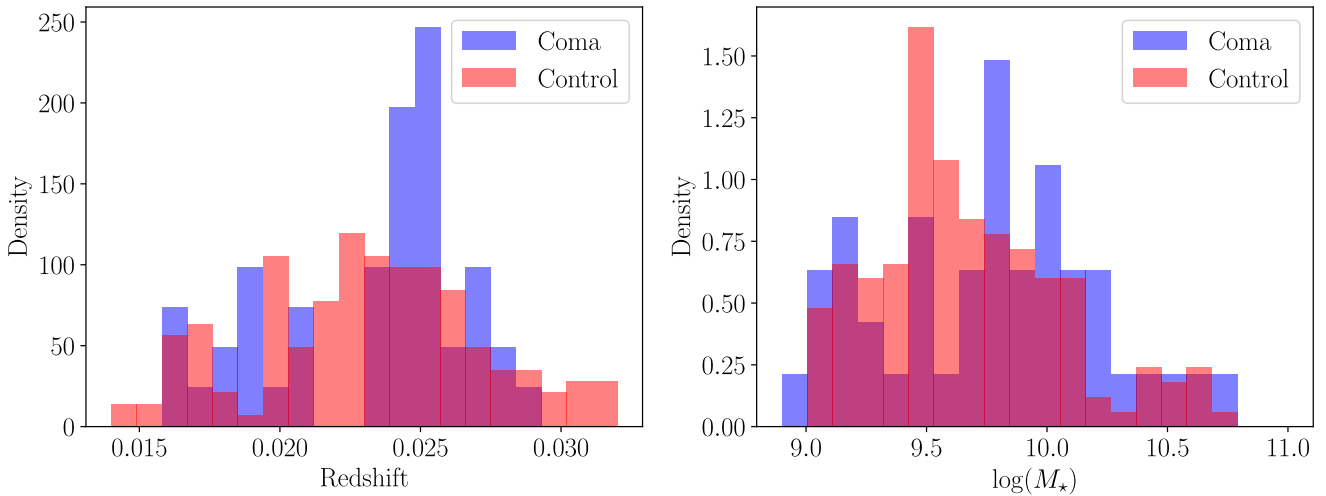


Figure 2. Redshift and logged integrated stellar mass distributions of Coma galaxies (blue) and the matched control galaxies (red).

consistent with expectations from RPS, where ram pressure can more easily strip gas (and thus quench star formation) from the galaxy outskirts. In the next section, we quantitatively confirm this observation via a toy model of RPS.

3.2. Quenching Model

We now test whether the differences in sSFR radial profiles shown in Figure 4 can be accounted for using a simple toy model of quenching via RPS. Our model is motivated by the slow-then-rapid framework for satellite quenching that has been advocated by a number of previous works (e.g., A. R. Wetzel et al. 2013; C. Maier et al. 2019b; I. D. Roberts et al. 2019; A. M. M. Reeves et al. 2023). Our approach is to define a toy quenching model that we can apply to the observed sSFR maps for our control sample galaxies. We then compute radial profiles from the control sample’s sSFR maps after being processed through the quenching model, and compare them to the observed radial profiles for the Coma galaxies.

The quenching model has two components. First, an additive (in log space) sSFR offset term, $\Delta sSFR$, which is constant and applied to all pixels in the sSFR map. This can be considered the “slow” component and can be interpreted physically as a contribution from preprocessing, gas consumption (starvation), or both (e.g., I. D. Roberts et al. 2019). It is also possible that the existence of backplash galaxies in the Coma sample may contribute to this difference. The second, “rapid” component is tied explicitly to RPS. We take a standard approach (J. E. Gunn & J. R. I. Gott 1972; J. Rasmussen et al. 2006; I. D. Roberts et al. 2019) and compute whether each pixel in the sSFR map is susceptible to RPS. This occurs where

$$P_{\text{ram}} > 2(\Sigma_{\star} + \Sigma_{\text{gas}})\Sigma_{\text{gas}}. \quad (1)$$

In this case, Σ_{gas} refers to the sum of the atomic and molecular gas (i.e., $\Sigma_{\text{gas}} = \Sigma_{\text{HI}} + \Sigma_{\text{H}_2}$). If a pixel satisfies this inequality then the pixel is “stripped” and its sSFR is set to 0. Σ_{\star} is taken from the stellar mass maps described in Section 2.2. To estimate Σ_{H_2} on a pixel-by-pixel basis, we use a standard

Kennicutt–Schmidt relation from F. Bigiel et al. (2008):

$$\log\left(\frac{\Sigma_{\text{SFR}}}{M_{\odot} \text{ yr}^{-1} \text{ kpc}^{-2}}\right) = 1.01 \log\left(\frac{\Sigma_{\text{gas}}}{10 M_{\odot} \text{ pc}^{-2}}\right) - 2.12, \quad (2)$$

given Σ_{SFR} from the SFR maps described in Section 2.2.

To get the HI mass for each pixel for each galaxy in our control sample, we use the HI masses from the HI MaNGA survey. If a galaxy only had an upper limit, that upper limit was used in place of its HI mass, i.e., we assume that these galaxies have as much HI as possible. Some of the galaxies in our control sample were not part of the survey, so we interpolated their HI masses by assuming a linear relationship between stellar mass and HI mass. We then fit a line to the data we did have (using the data with only limits as censored points), and interpolated the HI of those galaxies along the fitted line. This best-fit is shown in Figure 5. We then assume an axisymmetric distribution and use the following equation:

$$\Sigma_{\text{HI}}(r) = \frac{M_{\text{HI}}}{2\pi R_d^2} e^{-\frac{r}{R_d}}, \quad (3)$$

where $R_d = \frac{1.7R_e}{2}$ is the approximate radius of the HI disk. We add Σ_{H_2} and Σ_{HI} to get Σ_{gas} .

We apply this model to the galaxies in the control sample, calculate radial sSFR profiles for model-processed maps, and then determine best-fit $\Delta sSFR$ and P_{ram} in order to reproduce the sSFR radial profiles for the Coma sample. Fitting is done using the Python Markov Chain Monte Carlo package, `emcee` (D. Foreman-Mackey et al. 2013).

In Figure 6, we show the fitting results for the two free parameters from our quenching model, P_{ram} and $\Delta sSFR$, with all parameters well constrained. In Figure 4, we show the best-fit radial profile resulting from the application of our quenching model to our control galaxy sample (dashed lines), compared to the observed radial profile shown in Section 2.3 (solid lines). The Coma trend is well reproduced by the model, with best-fit ram pressure strengths of $1.5^{+0.9}_{-0.6} \times 10^{-11} \text{ g cm}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-2}$ and a $\Delta sSFR$ of $-0.06^{+0.04}_{-0.06}$.

We note that the best-fit value for $\Delta sSFR$ is consistent with zero. At face value, this indicates that for our sample of Coma galaxies, there is little need for the “slow-quenching” component of our model, and that the difference between the star formation profiles of Coma and field galaxies can be

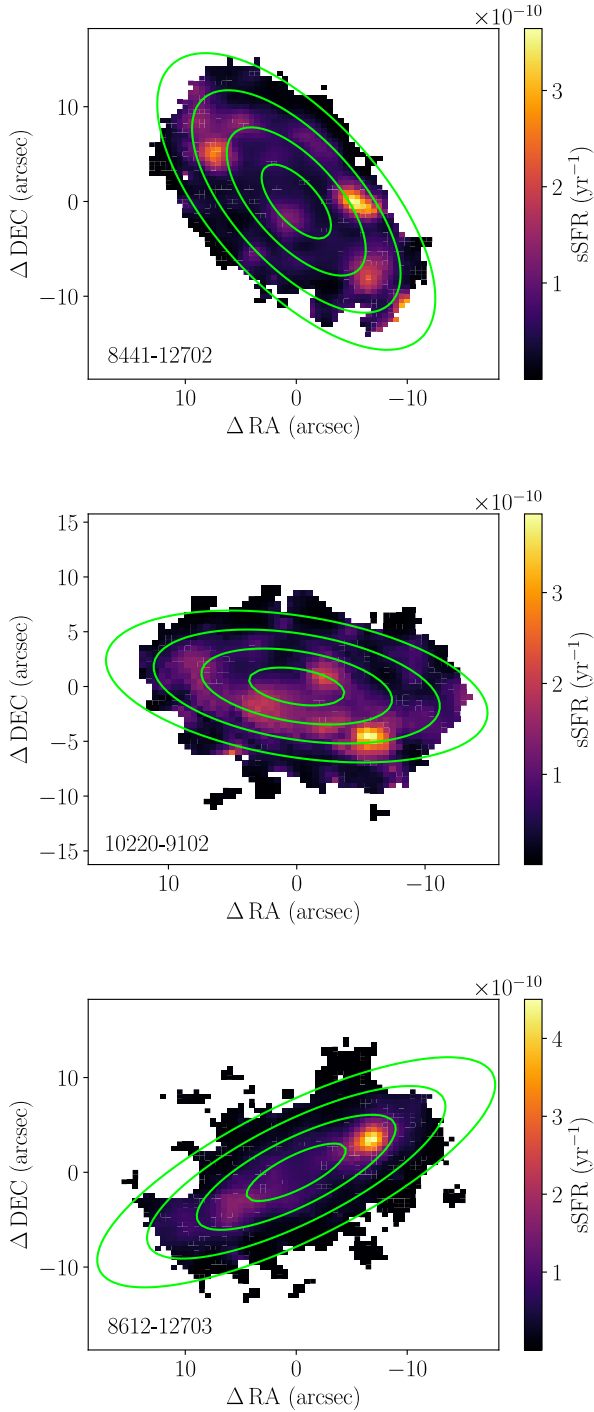


Figure 3. sSFR maps. Green rings are bin edges ($[0, 0.5, 1, 1.5, 2]R_e$). These three galaxies are from the control sample.

explained purely with the addition of RPS. Though we argue that correspondence for the innermost sSFRs between the Coma and control samples is more complicated than this, and driven both by the fact that ram pressure can reduce star formation in galaxies but also can temporarily enhance star formation during the early stages of the process (e.g., B. Vulcani et al. 2018; I. D. Roberts & L. C. Parker 2020). We discuss this point in more detail in Section 4.

Finally, we have performed this full analysis using the median as our estimator instead of the mean, and we show this

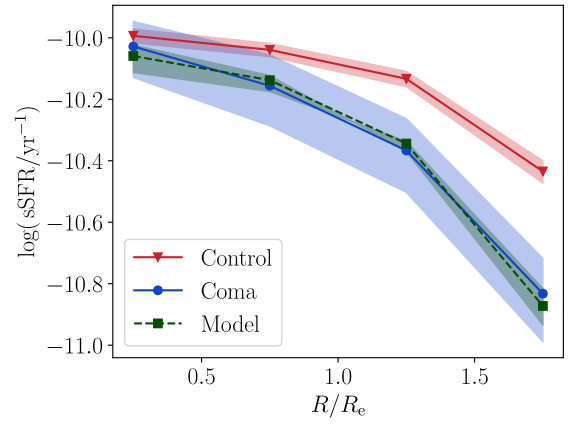


Figure 4. Each point (for the Coma and control) is the mean of all the average sSFR of the bin for that group. The points for each bin are placed midway between each bin edge on the x -axis (so the mean for the data between 0 and $0.5R_e$ has an x value of $0.25R_e$). The shaded area is the standard deviation of the average sSFR in each bin. After applying the ram pressure model to the control, we get the dark line, which is the 50th percentile. The shaded region for the model is from the 16th to the 84th percentile.

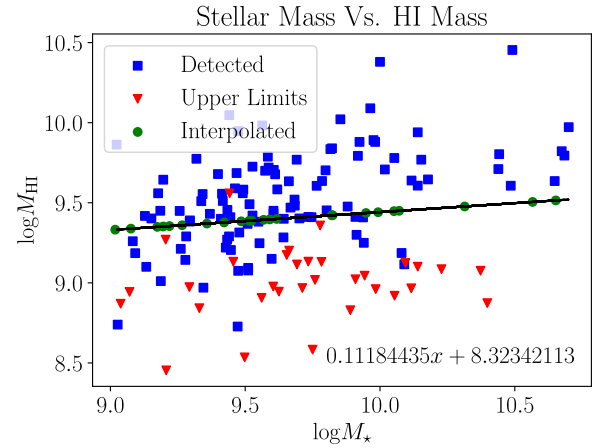


Figure 5. Logged stellar mass vs. logged H I mass. The blue points belong to control galaxies with detected H I masses in the H I MaNGA survey. The red points represent control galaxies that had only upper limits for their H I mass. The black line is the line of best fit to the data. The green points represent galaxies that were not part of the H I MaNGA survey and had to be interpolated along the line of best fit.

in the Appendix. This complementary analysis provides qualitatively similar results (with larger uncertainties) as well as quantitatively a best-fit value for P_{ram} that is fully consistent with the value derived in the main body of the paper.

4. Discussion

4.1. Derived Ram Pressure Strengths

In the previous section, we used our toy model to derive the ram pressure strength required to reproduce the observed sSFR radial profile for the Coma sample. An important model validation is to check that these derived values are broadly consistent with the expected ram pressure strengths experienced by satellite galaxies in Coma. We can roughly estimate the ram pressure for the Coma galaxies using the following equations:

$$P_{\text{ram}}(r) = \rho_{\text{ICM}}(r) v^2, \quad (4)$$

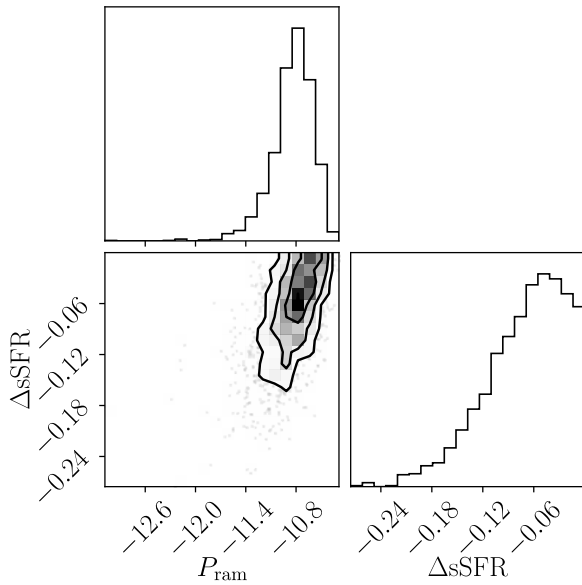


Figure 6. Corner plot for the ram pressure used to match to the Coma galaxies (P_{ram} , in units of $\text{g cm}^{-1} \text{s}^{-2}$) and the additive shift in log space (ΔsSFR).

where

$$\rho_{\text{ICM}}(r) = \rho_{\text{ICM}}(0) \left(1 + \left(\frac{r}{r_c} \right)^2 \right)^{-\frac{3\beta}{2}}, \quad (5)$$

and

$$v = 3 \times 10^{10} |z_{\text{galaxy}} - z_{\text{Coma}}| \quad [\text{cm s}^{-1}]. \quad (6)$$

We assume $z_{\text{Coma}} = 0.0231$ and a beta-profile for the ICM density from Y. Chen et al. (2007) with $\rho_{\text{ICM}}(0) = 5 \times 10^{-27} \text{ g cm}^{-3}$, $r_c = 343 \text{ kpc}$, and $\beta = 0.643$. We also apply factors of $\sqrt{3}$ and $\pi/2$ (e.g., Y. L. Jaffé et al. 2015) to the velocity offsets and clustercentric radii, respectively, by multiplying to deproject these quantities, on average. Thus, given the projected phase space coordinates of a given galaxy in Coma, we can roughly estimate the local ram pressure to that galaxy via the above relations.

In Figure 7, we show histograms corresponding to the local ram pressure estimated for all galaxies in the Coma sample. With the solid line, we show the best-fit ram pressure strength distribution. The vertical, dashed–dotted line is the log of the mean local ram pressure. For the Coma sample, the best-fit ram pressure strength is biased toward the upper quartile of the distributions for the galaxy-by-galaxy ram pressure estimates, though there is still substantial overlap between the two within the posterior distribution. We also calculate the maximum expected ram pressure as

$$P_{\text{ram,max}} = \rho_{\text{ICM}}(0) v_{\text{max}}^2, \quad (7)$$

where v_{max} is the maximum velocity offset observed in our Coma sample of galaxies. This maximum ram pressure is shown as the solid vertical line in Figure 7. As expected, our best-fit ram pressure from the model is below this maximum value, since it is very unlikely that a given galaxy will have an orbit such that it experiences that maximum possible ram pressure strength.

We note that this is a very rough comparison between model and data, and there are a number of implicit assumptions worth

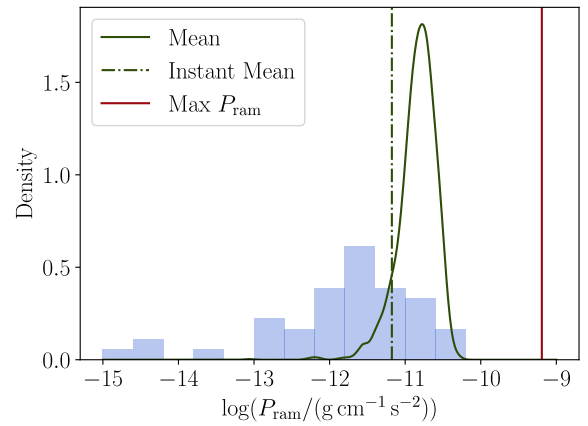


Figure 7. Logged ram pressure distribution of the Coma galaxies. The solid line is the fitted ram pressure distribution from the model. The dashed–dotted line is the calculated logged mean of the ram pressures for the Coma group. The solid vertical line is the maximum ram pressure we expect a galaxy in the Coma Cluster could experience.

bearing in mind. The ram pressure strength derived from the model is the peak ram pressure, whereas the local ram pressure estimated on a galaxy-by-galaxy basis is an estimate of the instantaneous ram pressure. Thus, if a significant number of galaxies in the Coma sample are postpeak ram pressure, then by construction, the values derived from the model will be comparatively skewed toward high ram pressure strengths. Along these lines, the Coma sample will, to some extent, be contaminated by backsplash galaxies that have already made a pericentric passage. Finally, we apply average deprojection factors to the velocity offsets and clustercentric radii, but the applicability of these average factors on a galaxy-by-galaxy basis is highly uncertain.

4.2. Implications for Satellite Quenching in Coma

Broadly speaking, the observed sSFR radial profiles in Coma are consistent with quenching via RPS. This is consistent with the change in slope that we observe for the Coma sample. This is in line with previous studies that have advocated for the strong role of RPS in Coma (e.g., M. Yagi et al. 2010; G. Gavazzi et al. 2018; I. D. Roberts & L. C. Parker 2020; K. A. Grishin et al. 2021; I. D. Roberts et al. 2024). Indeed, 14 Coma galaxies in our sample are known to be jellyfish galaxies with observed ram pressure stripped tails in the radio continuum (I. D. Roberts et al. 2021b). We note that the main qualitative result from this work, the steeper decline of star formation for Coma galaxies, persists even when we remove these radio jellyfish galaxies from our sample. This likely suggests that the nonjellyfish galaxies in our sample are at a later stage of RPS without a clear stripped tail but still showing the signatures of outside-in quenching in the disk. Other wavelengths have also been used to identify galaxies undergoing RPS in the Coma Cluster. Two of the galaxies in our sample were also identified as having H α tails by M. Yagi et al. (2010), one was identified as having a UV tail by R. J. Smith et al. (2010), nine are part of the broadband-optical selected ram pressure candidates presented in I. D. Roberts & L. C. Parker (2020), and three are part of the sample of galaxies with one-sided HI tails in D. C. Molnár et al. (2022). This results in a total of 16 Coma galaxies in our sample being known jellyfish galaxies. In general, all of these

jellyfish galaxies, regardless of how they were identified, tend to have central sSFRs that fall above the field relation.

In this work, we employ a model inspired by “slow-then-rapid” models of galaxy quenching, but as shown in Section 3, at face value, the data do not seem to require a slow-quenching component. That said, when we use the median-estimator models (see the Appendix), the best-fit model does prefer a nonzero value of $\Delta\text{sSFR} \approx -0.41$. One way to reconcile this is to note that the mean-estimator is more sensitive to anomalously high or low sSFRs, and also to note that jellyfish galaxies in Coma (likely at an early stage of RPS) are known to show enhanced SFRs thought to be driven by ram pressure compressed gas in the ISM. The anomalously high sSFRs for the jellyfish galaxies in our sample may be skewing the mean Coma radial profile shown in Figure 4 upwards toward the value for the control sample. This is confirmed by the fact that the average sSFR radial profile for these known jellyfish galaxies falls well above the control sample for the central radial bins (plot not shown). When we run our quenching model for Coma galaxies, having removed all known jellyfish galaxies from the sample, we obtain a best-fit value of $\Delta\text{sSFR} = -0.56^{+0.18}_{-0.13}$. This explanation is somewhat speculative, but is also consistent with all of the observations shown in this work. This highlights the complications that can arise when trying to interpret the effects of ram pressure, which, depending on the situation, may decrease or increase observed star formation.

Looking at radial profiles, A. L. Schaefer et al. (2017) observed that star formation for cluster galaxies was centrally concentrated. This is also observed in the Virgo Cluster (e.g., R. A. Koopmann & J. D. P. Kenney 2004; R. A. Koopmann et al. 2006). L. Cortese et al. (2012) observe that in the Virgo Cluster, the color of the inner UV disk of H I-deficient galaxies is less affected than the color of the outer UV disk when compared to H I normal galaxies, which is consistent with the outside-in quenching nature of RPS. M. S. Owers et al. (2019) found that, in high-density cluster environments, galaxies with recently quenched star formation in the outer disk had ongoing star formation in the inner regions. As well, C. R. Morgan et al. (2024) found that truncated star formation in the Virgo Cluster was consistent with slow then rapid quenching. Our observations are consistent with these results. However, our results are not consistent with A. L. Schaefer et al. (2019), who observed that, more specifically, only cluster galaxies with stellar masses greater than $10^{10} M_{\odot}$ from groups with a dark matter halo mass greater than $10^{12.5} M_{\odot}$ had centrally concentrated star formation that was likely due to outside-in quenching. Most of the galaxies in our Coma sample have stellar masses less than $10^{10} M_{\odot}$ and we still observe more centrally concentrated star formation, though we note that the massive Coma Cluster is a very different environment than the lower mass groups probed by A. L. Schaefer et al. (2019). V. Coenda et al. (2019) found that there was evidence for outside-in quenching for galaxies in groups with stellar masses $9 \leq \log(\frac{M_{*}}{M_{\odot}}) \leq 10$, but not for galaxies in groups with higher stellar masses. Our results seem to be consistent with the first part.

5. Conclusion

We procured a sample of star-forming and green valley Coma galaxies and then calculated the average sSFR in each

radial bin for both the Coma galaxies as well as a control sample of field galaxies. Then, we made a simple toy model of slow-then-rapid-quenching via RPS. We found that:

1. There is evidence of outside-in quenching within the Coma Cluster.
2. These observations can be roughly reproduced by a toy model of slow-then-rapid quenching in the dense cluster environment. The slow component is consistent with gas depletion and/or preprocessing, whereas the rapid component appears strongly tied to RPS.

There are currently >100 galaxies in Coma with public IFU spectroscopy from MaNGA (only 45 were used in this work), though given the MaNGA size selection, this sample primarily covers intermediate- and low-mass galaxies. We have been awarded time for the Coma Legacy IFU Survey (CLIFS) on the new WEAVE spectrograph. This survey will complete the high-mass IFU coverage in Coma (for star-forming and green valley galaxies), and ultimately has the goal of obtaining IFU spectroscopy (in conjunction with existing MaNGA data) for all star-forming and green-valley galaxies in Coma with $M_{*} > 10^9 M_{\odot}$. As data for CLIFS are delivered, this will only increase the statistics for the sort of analysis presented in this work, and in turn, will provide even tighter constraints on star formation histories and quenching for satellite galaxies in Coma.

Appendix Median Estimator for Radial Profiles

Taking the median instead of the mean of the average sSFRs does not produce significantly different results. The overall trend with the Coma sample still decreasing more rapidly as a function of galactocentric radius than the control is still preserved (Figure 8), and the fitted ram pressure is roughly the same as the one produced by fitting to the mean (Figures 8, 9, and 10). The fitted ram pressure is $1.7^{+0.7}_{-0.9} \times 10^{-11} \text{ g cm}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-2}$ and a ΔsSFR of $-0.41^{+0.15}_{-0.16}$.

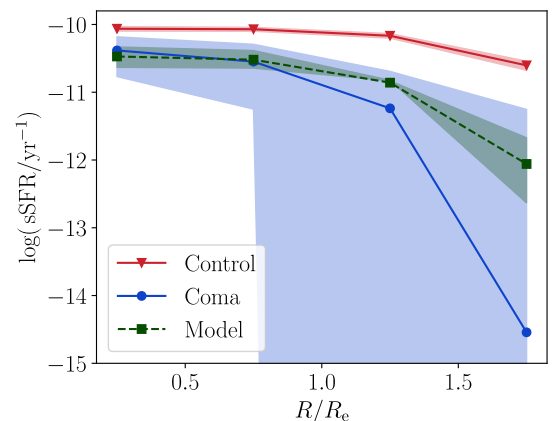


Figure 8. Each point (for the Coma and control) is the median of all the average sSFR of the bin for that group. Points are placed midway between each bin edge on the x -axis. The shaded region is the standard error of the average sSFR in each bin. Just like Figure 4, except the model is fitted to the median sSFR radial profile.

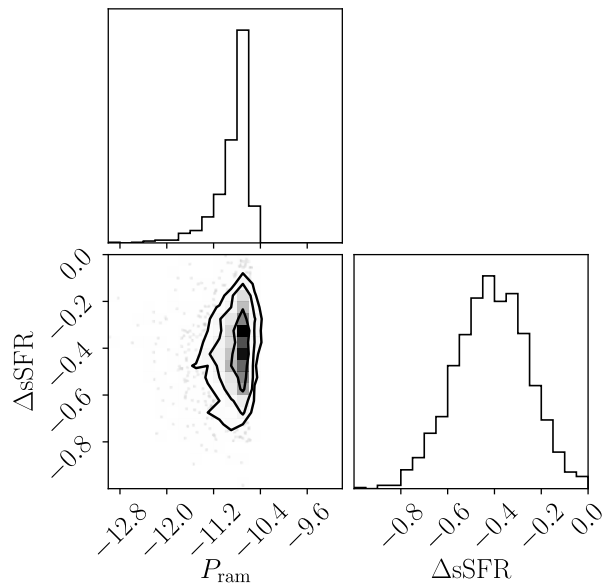


Figure 9. Corner plot for ram pressures (P_{ram} is in units of $\text{g cm}^{-1} \text{s}^{-2}$) fitted to the Coma radial profile and the additive shift in log space (ΔsSFR).

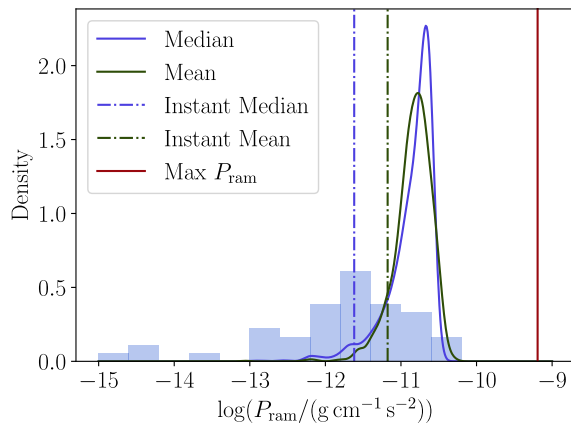


Figure 10. The shaded region is the distribution of logged instantaneous ram pressures of the Coma galaxies. Solid lines represent the fitted ram pressure distribution, where the median was fit to the median profile and the mean was fit to the mean profile. Dashed-dotted lines represent the mean and median of the instantaneous ram pressure. The solid vertical line is the maximum ram pressure we expect a galaxy in the Coma Cluster could experience.

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