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Mini-cocoon around the parsec scale jet in 3C84

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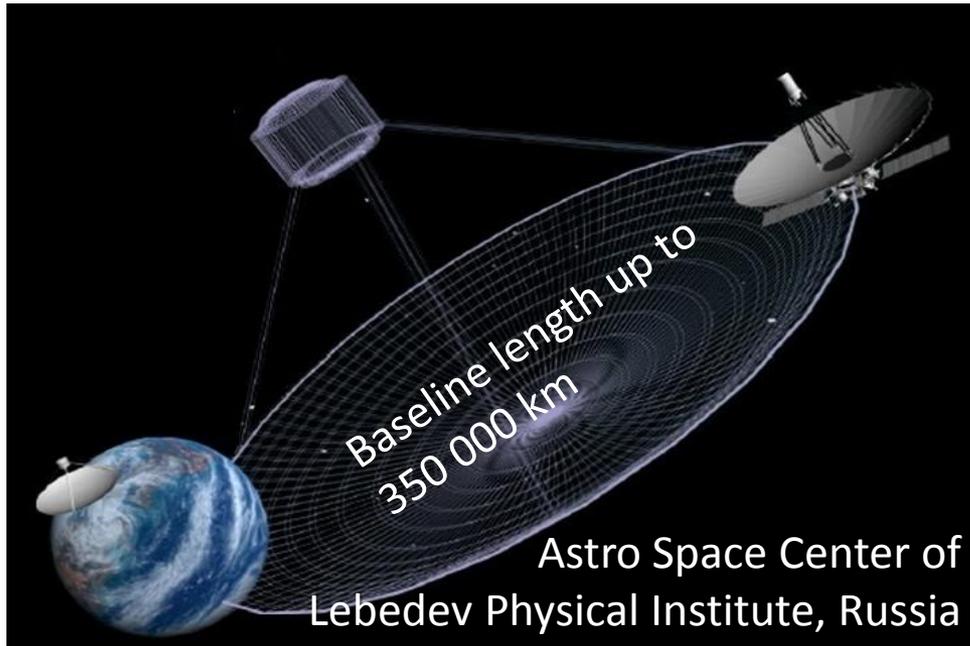
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RadioAstron Space-VLBI mission



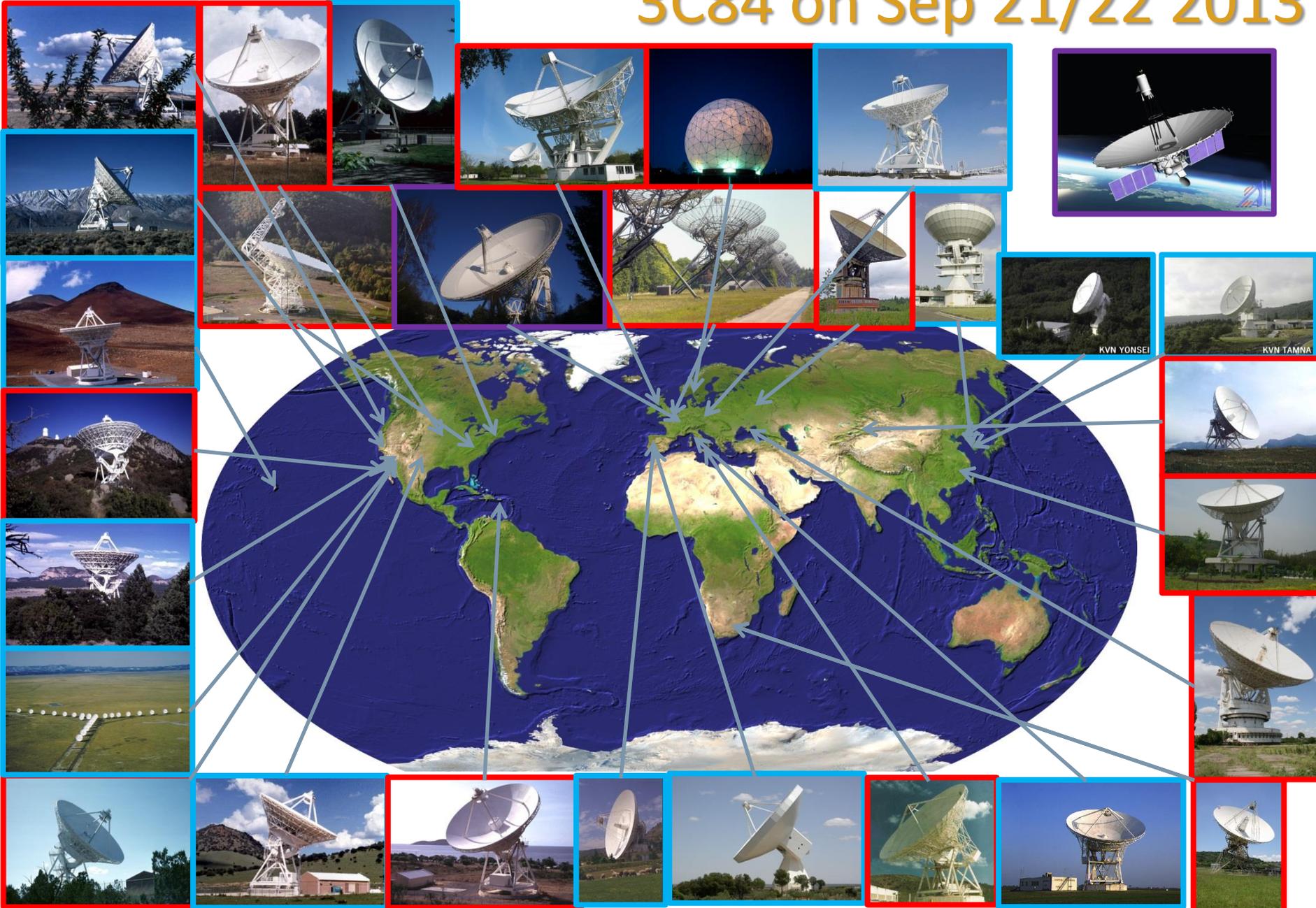
- 10-m Russian space radio telescope launched in 2011
- Apogee height: 350 000 km
- Obs. frequencies: 1.6–22 GHz
- Used together with ground radio telescopes as an interferometer
- Record angular resolutions: $8\mu\text{as}$ (H_2O megamaser in NGC4258, Maser KSP) and $12\mu\text{as}$ (quasar 3C279; TS+ in prep.)

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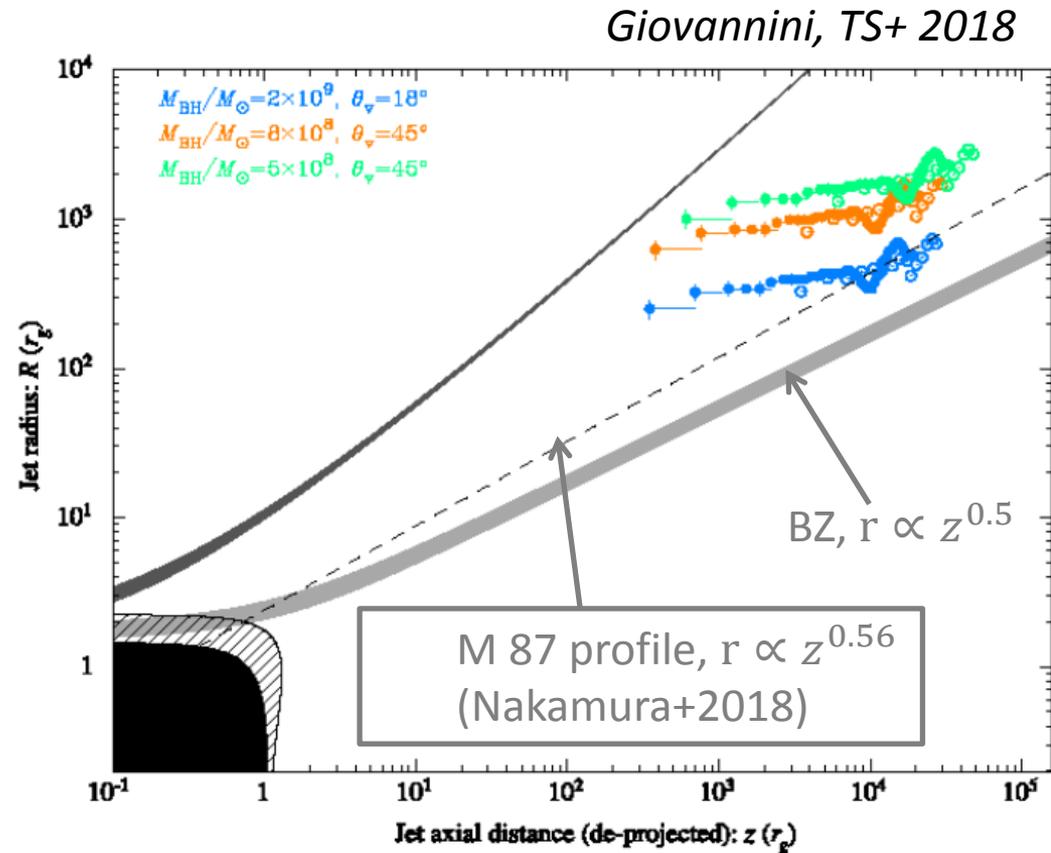
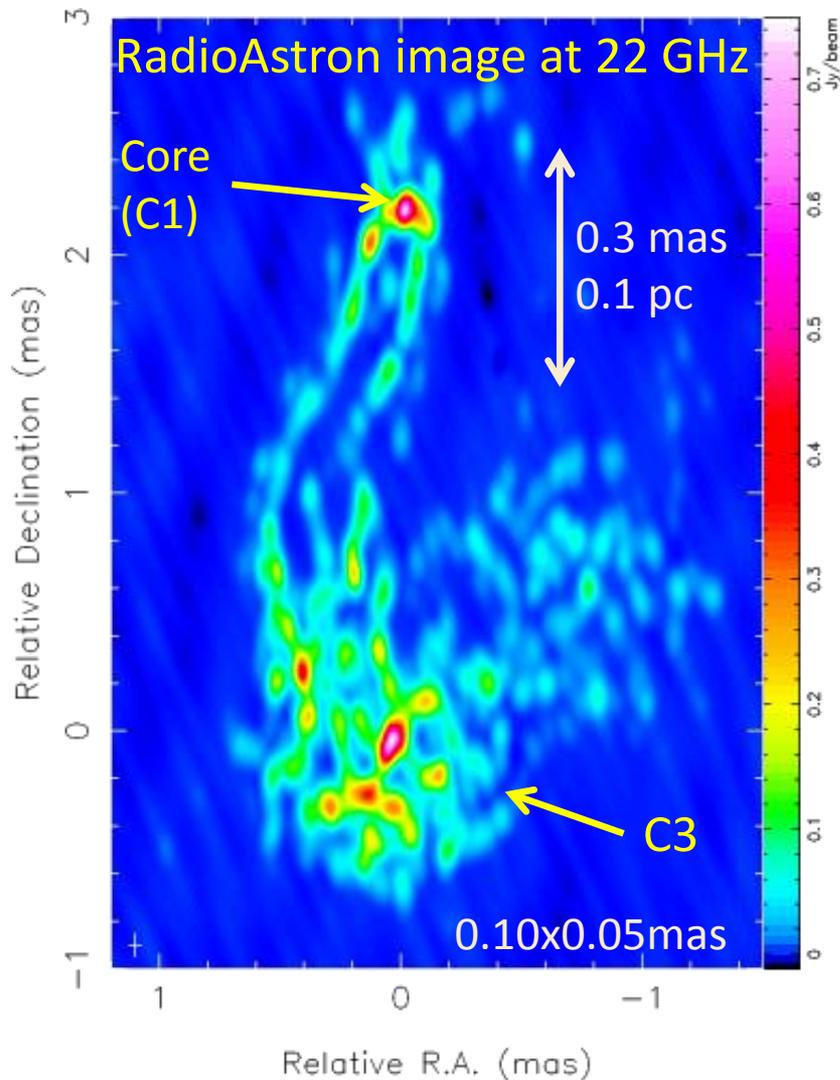
- Near-perigee space-VLBI imaging of nearby radio galaxies
- Aims at high spatial resolution (down to a few r_s) for studying the jet acceleration and collimation zone
- Targets: **Cen A** ($D=3.8\text{Mpc}$, $1\text{mas}=3100r_s$), **M87** ($D=16\text{Mpc}$, $1\text{mas}=140r_s$), **3C84** ($D=75\text{Mpc}$, $1\text{mas}=1800r_s$)

5GHz 22GHz 5/22GHz

3C84 on Sep 21/22 2013



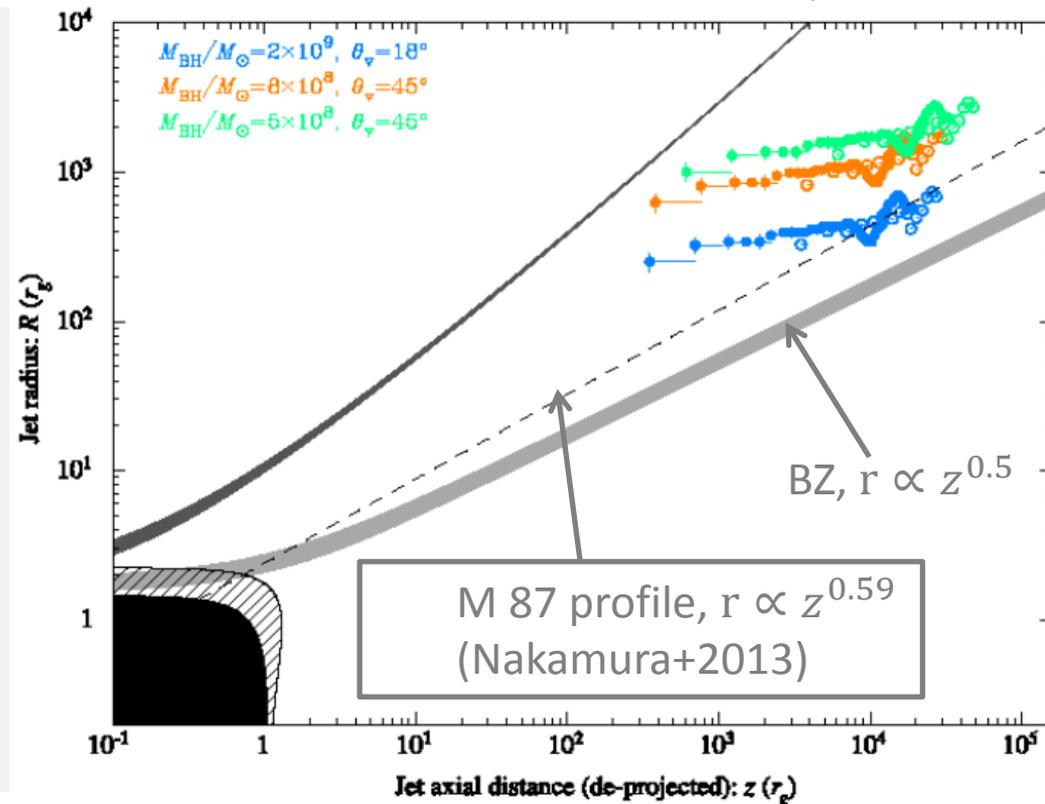
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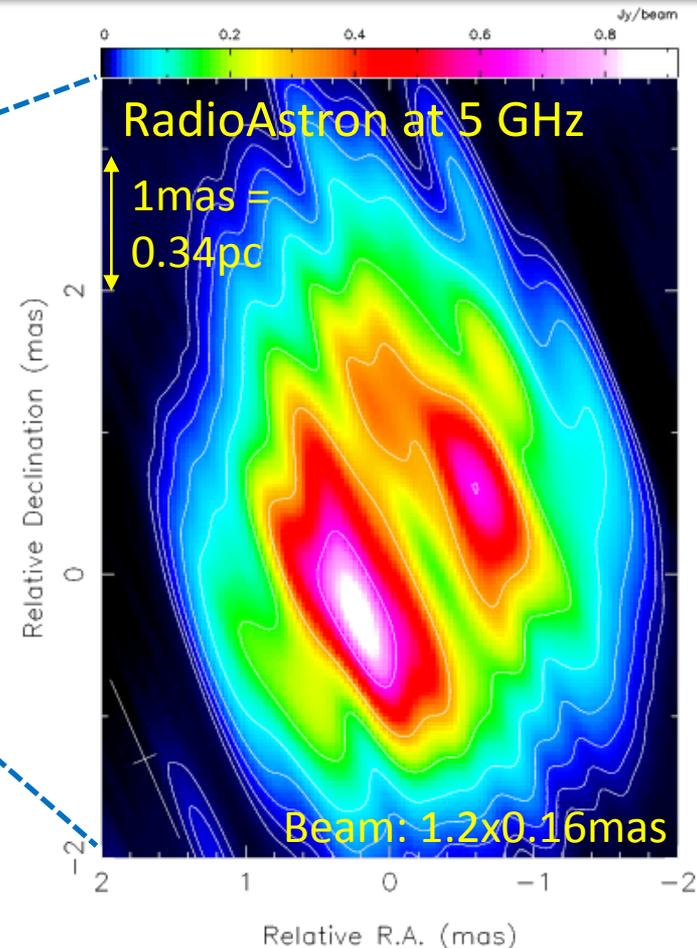
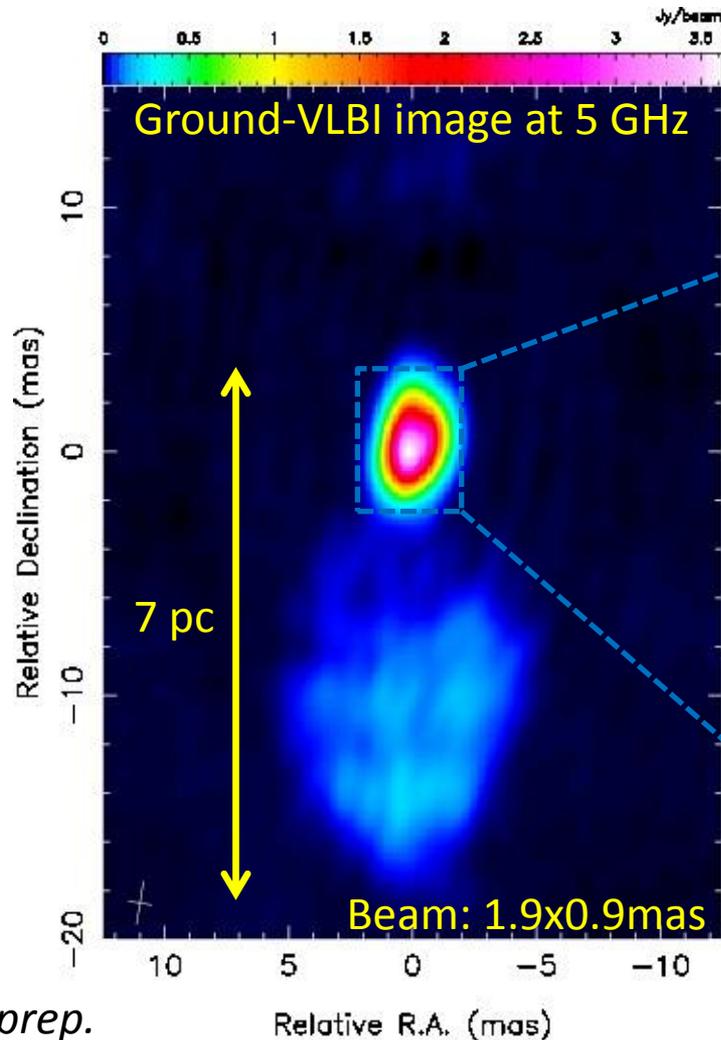
Giovannini, TS+ 2018

- Almost cylindrical flow with $r \propto z^{0.17}$ + oscillations of jet width. Shaped by external medium?
- If $p_{ext} \propto z^{-b} \Rightarrow r \propto z^{b/4}$. For 3C84 $b \lesssim 1$ and $\rho \propto z^{-(b-1)} \approx z^0$. **Flat density profile up to $\sim 10^4 r_g \sim 0.8$ pc.**
- What kind of medium?
 - Gas in nearly free fall (e.g., Bondi) has $\rho \propto z^{-3/2}$. Excluded.
 - Inner edge of a thick disk or torus? Unlikely.
 - **Hot cocoon of shocked gas? (Nagai+17, Giovannini+18)**



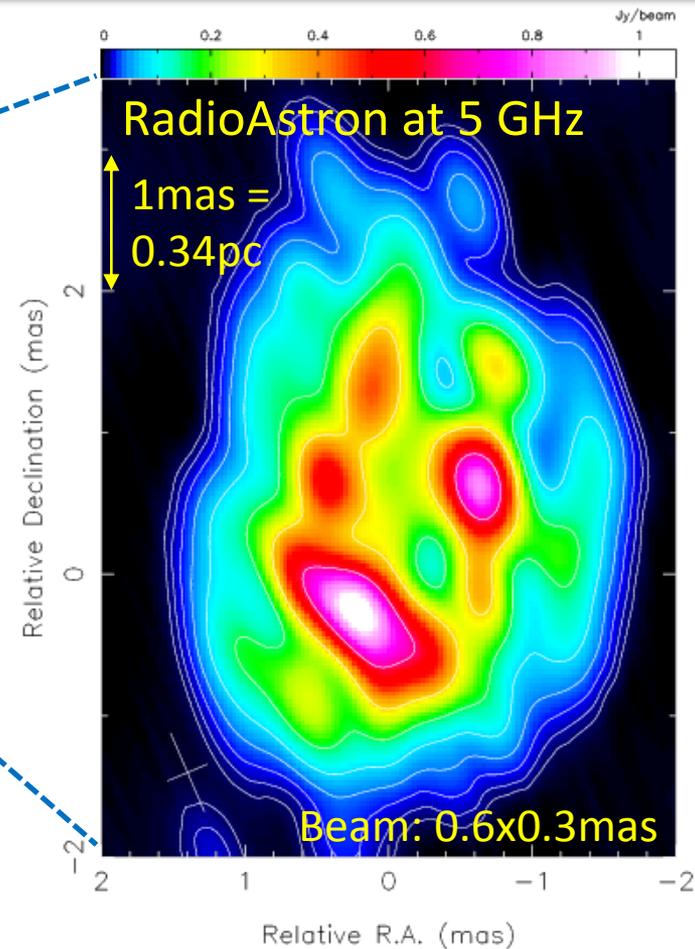
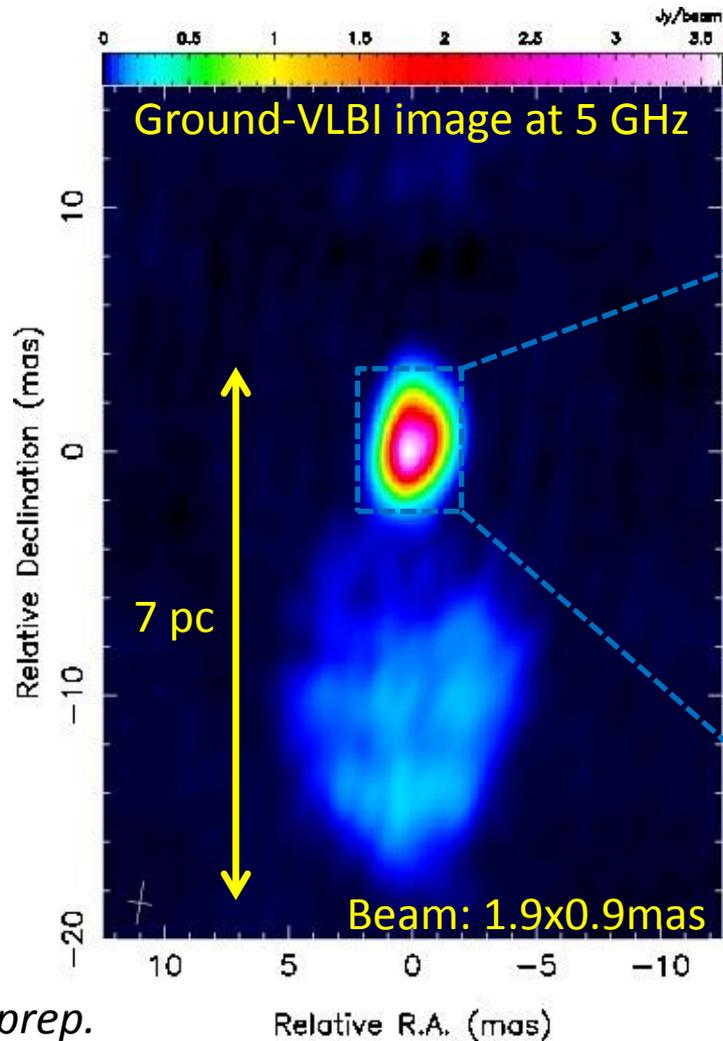
3C84 with RadioAstron at 5 GHz

Source detected up to $8.1D_{Earth}$.
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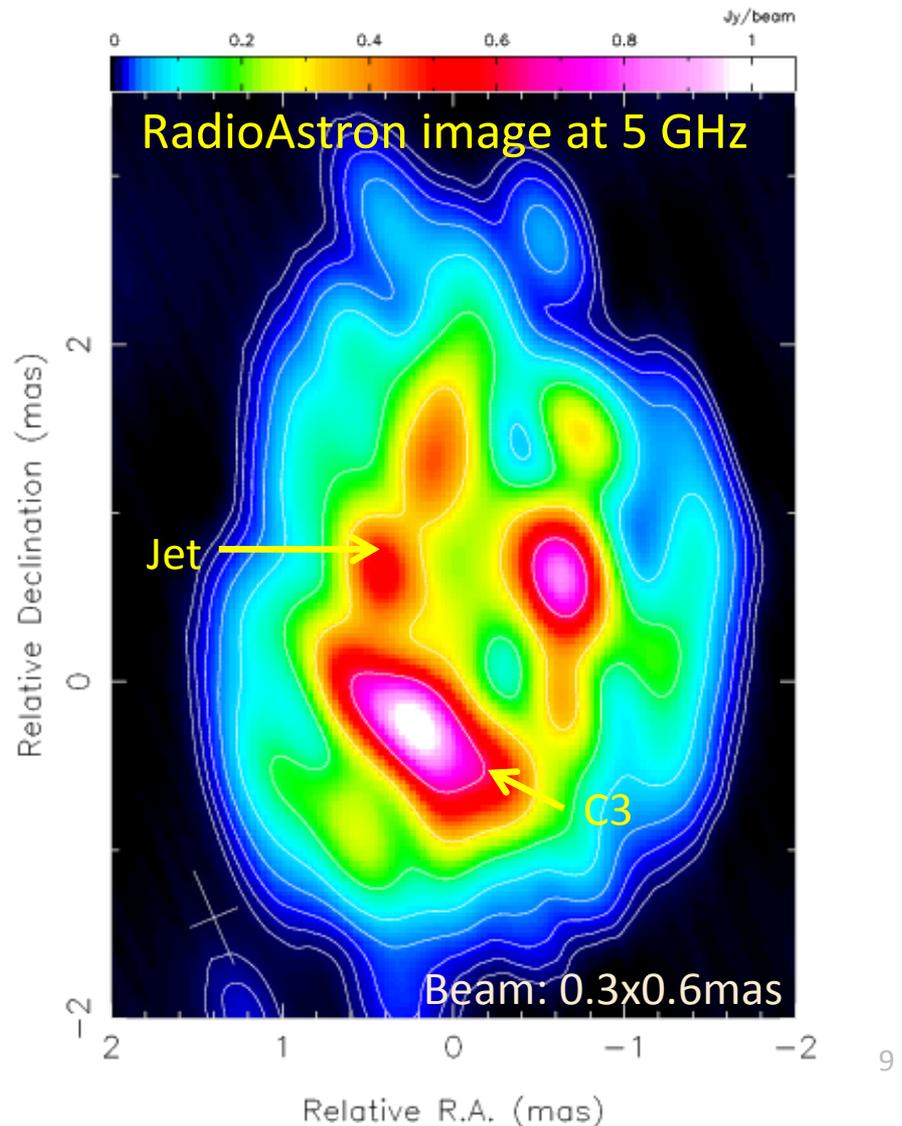
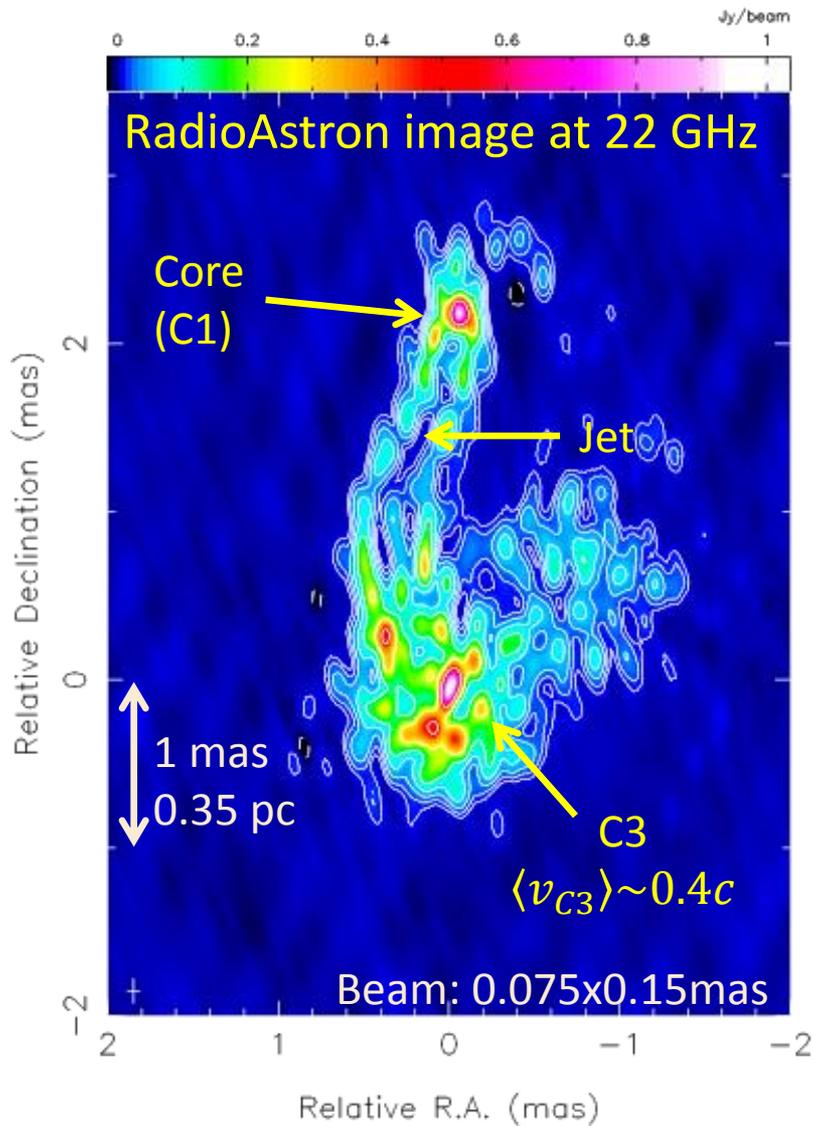


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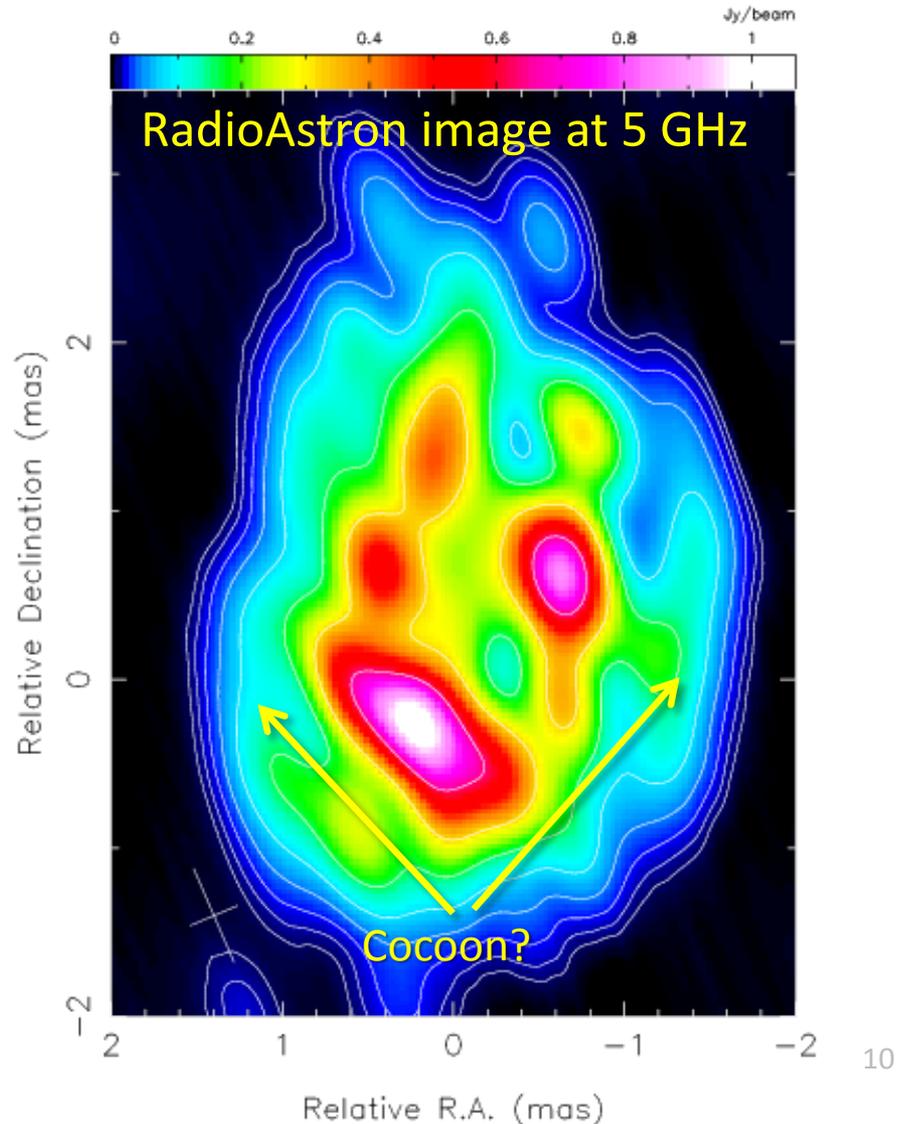
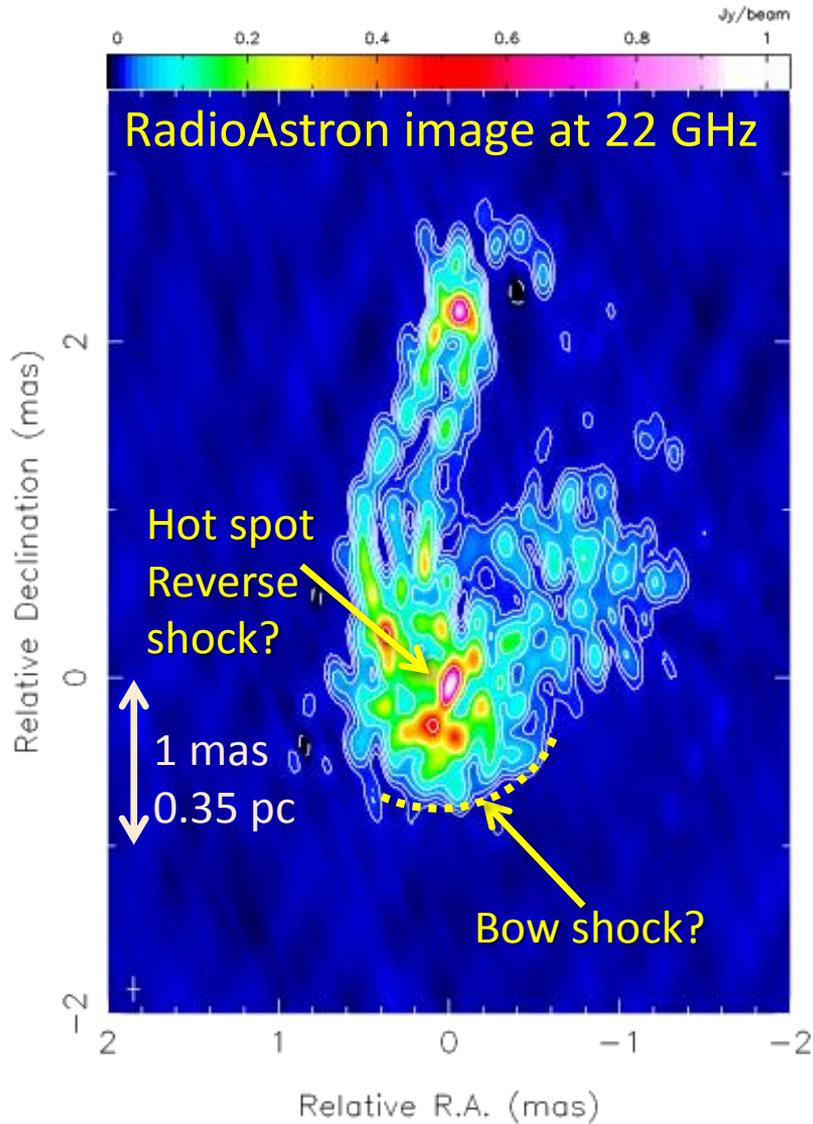
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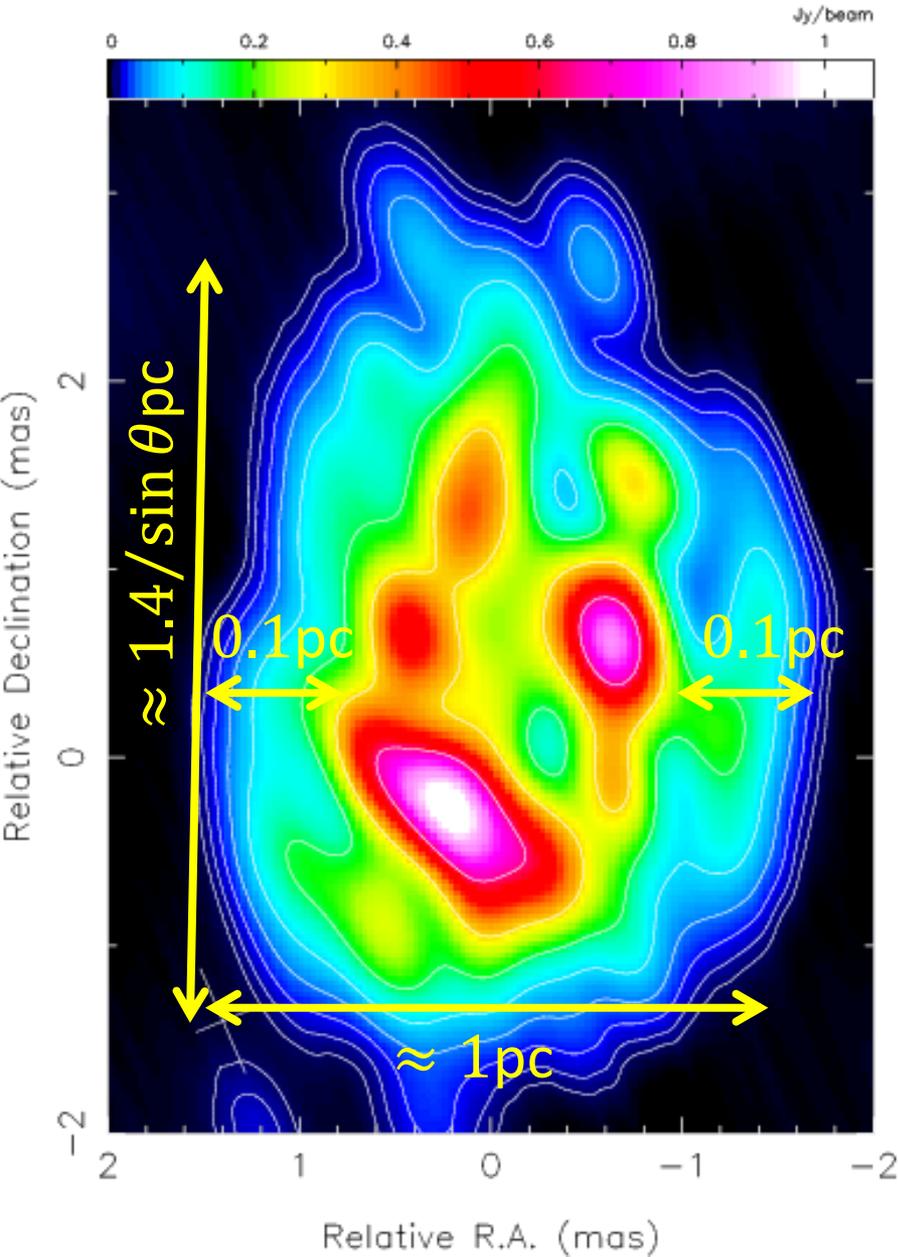
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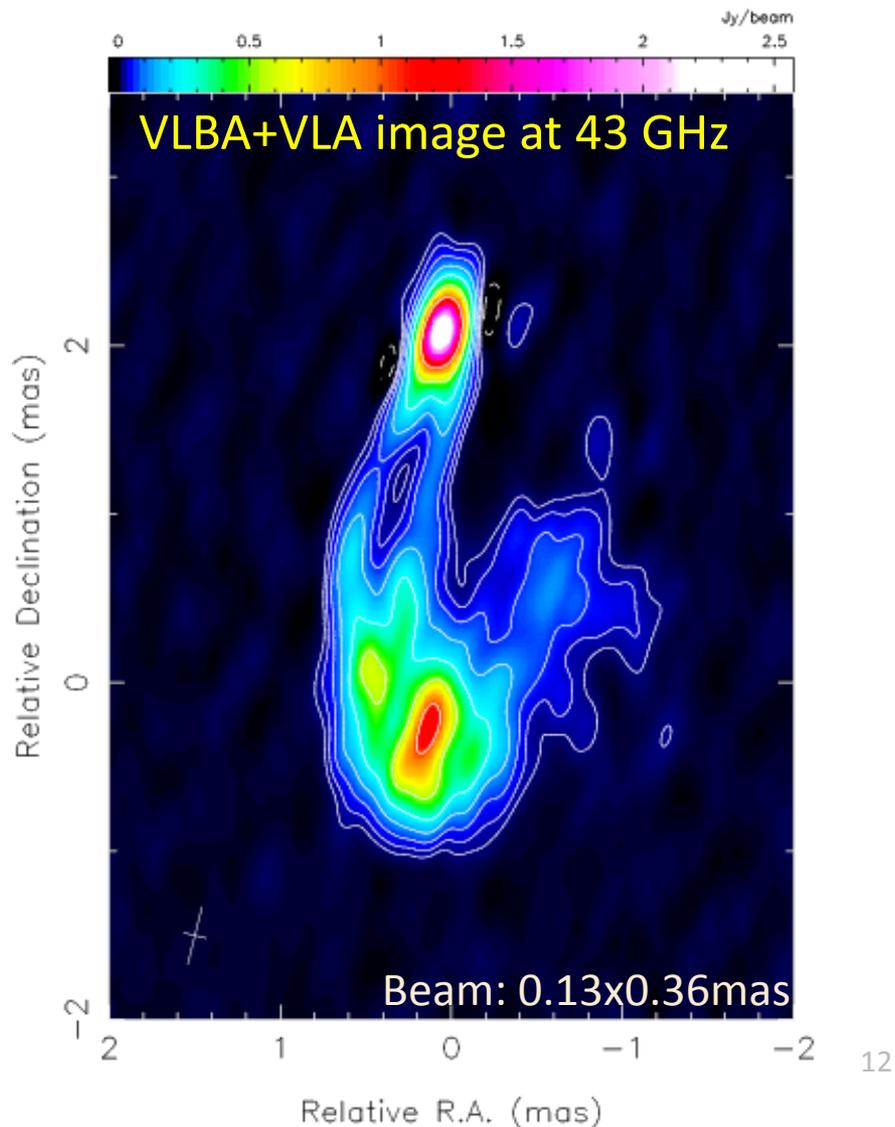
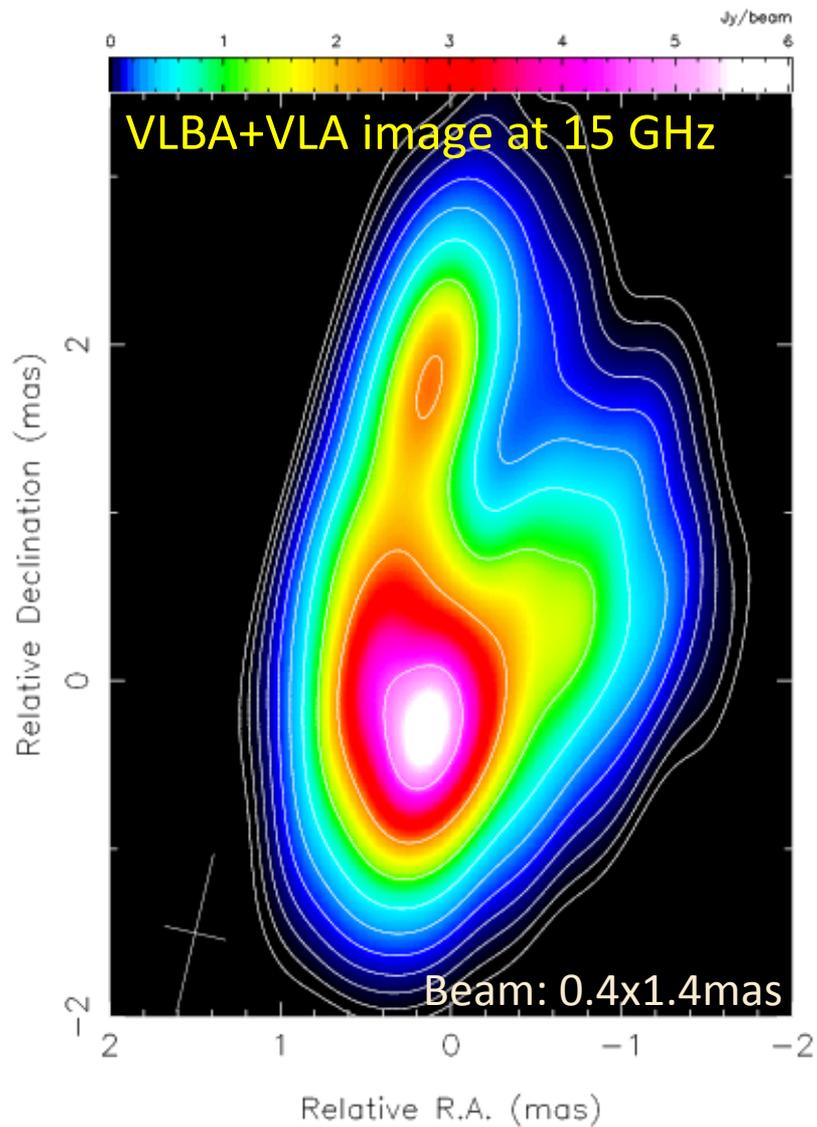
Mini-cocoon



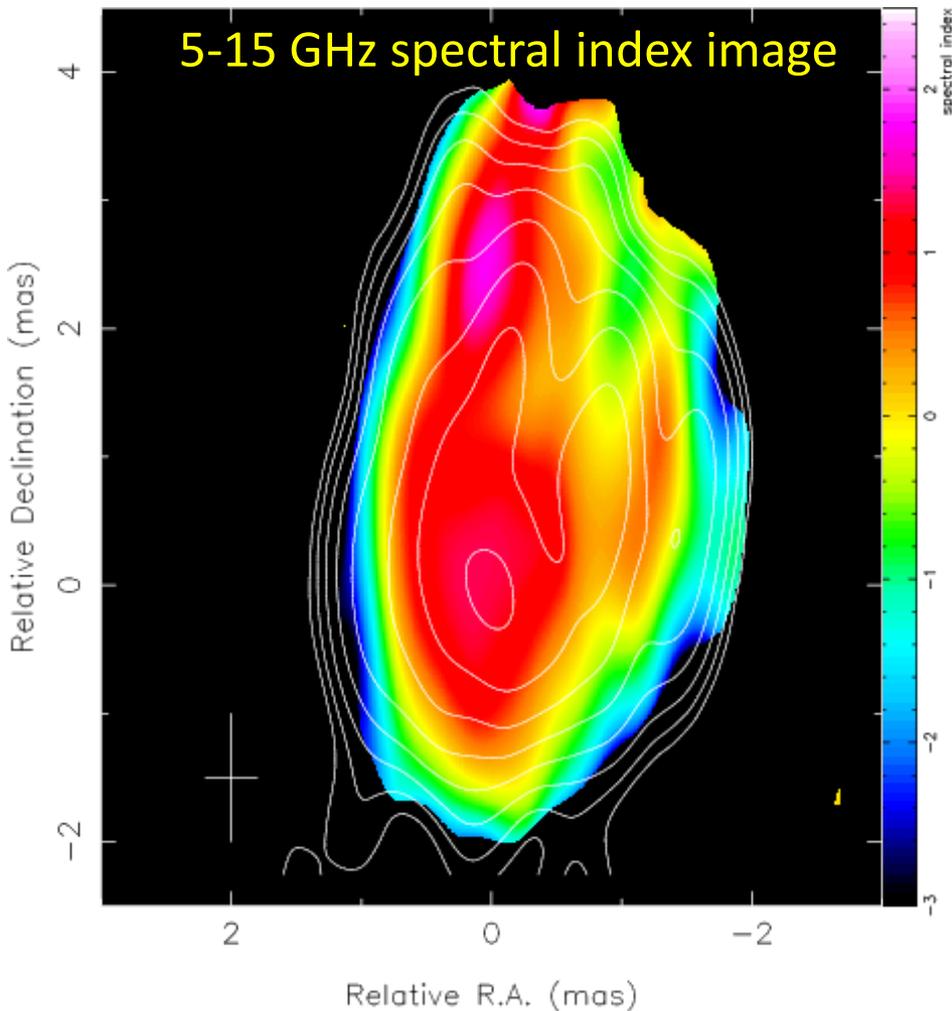
Measured properties

- $V_{c,tot} = 1.1 / \sin \theta \text{ pc}^3$
- Shell of 0.1 pc thickness:
 $V_{c,shell} = 0.6 / \sin \theta \text{ pc}^3$
- $T_{b,c} \sim 3 \times 10^{10} \text{ K}$

Simultaneous VLBA+VLA observations at 15 and 43 GHz



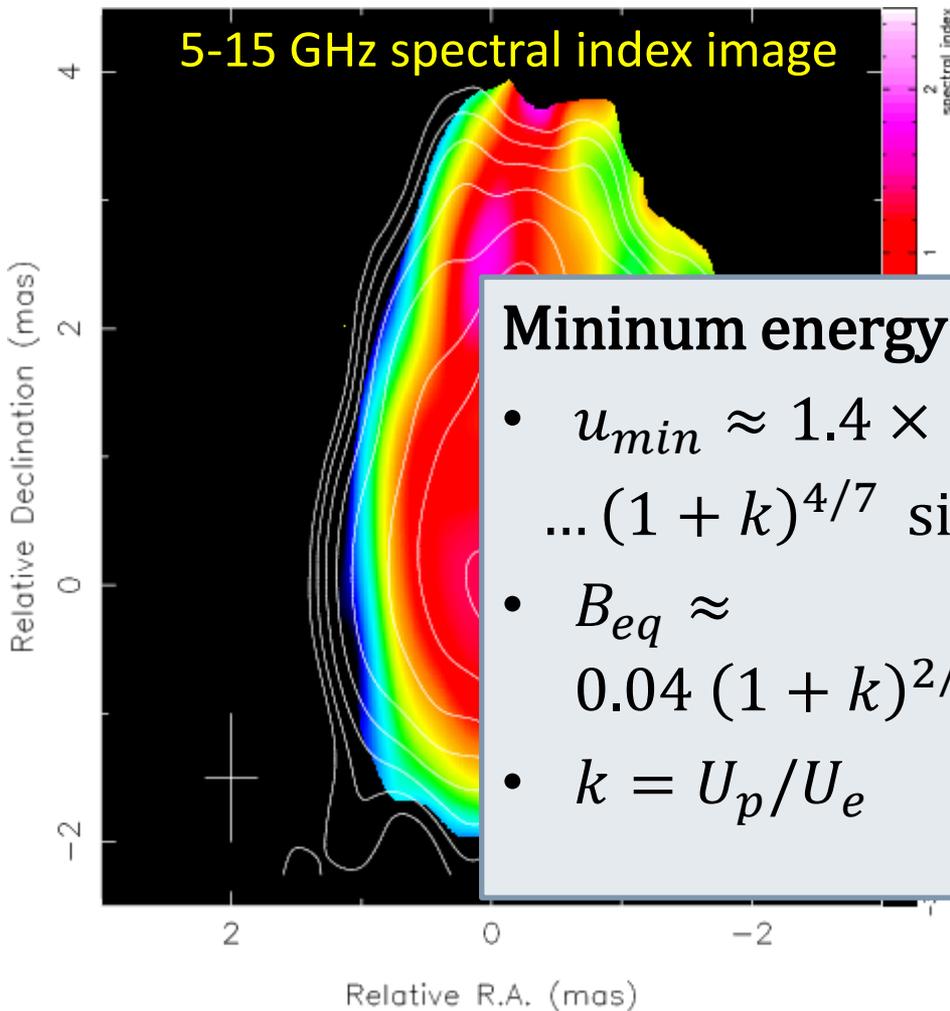
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- $\alpha_c(West) \sim -1.0$

Mini-cocoon



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Minimum energy in the cocoon

- $u_{min} \approx 1.4 \times 10^{-4} \dots 10^{10} \text{ K}$
- $\dots (1+k)^{4/7} \sin^{4/7} \theta \text{ erg/cm}^3 < -1.0$
- $B_{eq} \approx \dots -1.0$
- $0.04 (1+k)^{2/7} \sin^{2/7} \theta \text{ G}$
- $k = U_p/U_e$

Is the “mini-cocoon” formed by the recent activity?

- At the time of RA obs., $\Delta t_{C3} \sim 10\text{yr}$
- Power requirements. Assuming minimum energy in the cocoon shell and $\theta = 18^\circ$, the power needed to feed the cocoon in 10 yrs: $1.3 \times 10^{43} (1 + k)^{4/7} \text{erg/s}$
 - $k = 1: P_{cocoon} \sim 2 \times 10^{43} \text{erg/s}$
 - $k = 100: P_{cocoon} \sim 2 \times 10^{44} \text{erg/s}$
 - Long term average from X-ray cavities: $P_{cav} \sim 1.5 \times 10^{44} \text{erg/s}$ (Rafferty+06).
 - $L_{bol} \sim 10^{44} \text{erg/s}$ (Abdo+09)

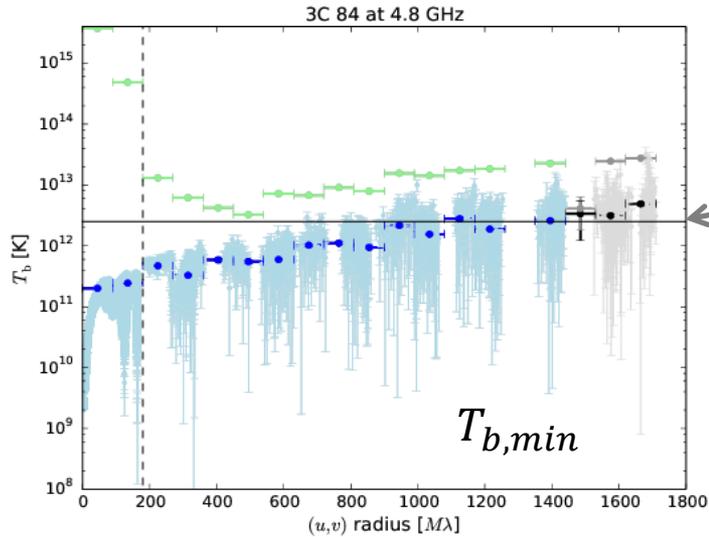
The typical jet power of 3C84 is enough to inflate the mini-cocoon in 10 years

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- Synchrotron life time assuming $\theta = 18^\circ$ and $B_{eq} \approx 28 (1 + k)^{2/7}$ mG:
 - $k = 1: t_{1/2} \approx 75 \text{ yr} > \Delta t_{C3}$
 - $k = 100: t_{1/2} \approx 14 \text{ yr} > \Delta t_{C3}$
- Expansion speed:
 - $\langle v_{h,app} \rangle \approx 0.4c \Rightarrow \langle v_h \rangle \approx 0.6c$ if $\theta = 18^\circ$
 - $\langle v_{cocoon} \rangle = r_c / \Delta t_{C3} \approx 0.16c$
 - $\langle v_h \rangle > \langle v_{cocoon} \rangle$
- Implication to the ambient density assuming $p_c = \rho_a v_c^2$ and minimum energy in the cocoon:
 - $\rho_a \gtrsim 8 \times 10^{-25} (1 + k)^{4/7} \text{ g/cm}^3$
 - $k = 1: n_p \gtrsim 0.7 \text{ cm}^{-3}$
 - $k = 100: n_p \gtrsim 7 \text{ cm}^{-3}$

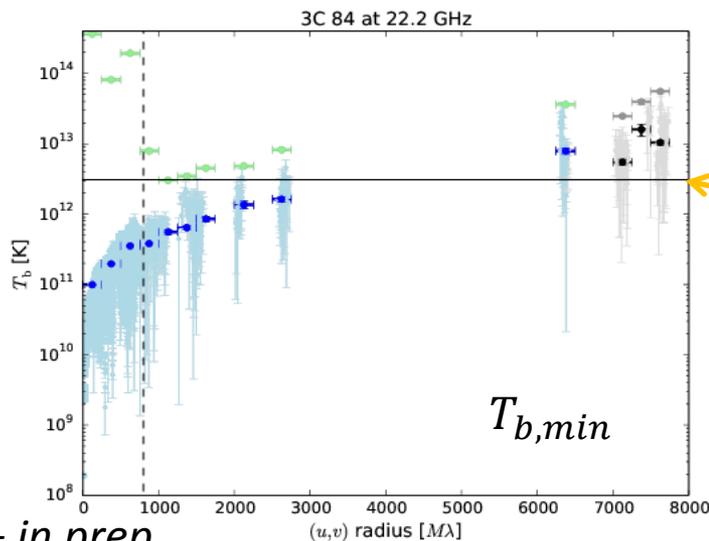
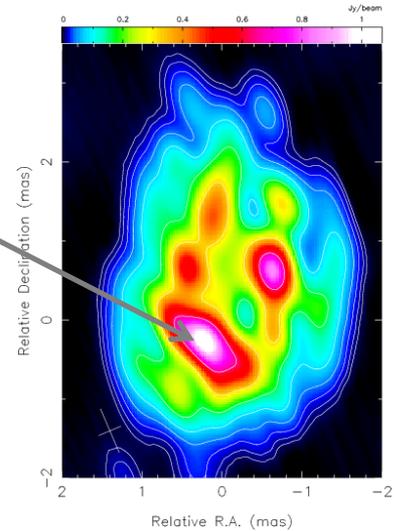
A FEW WORDS ABOUT PHYSICAL CONDITIONS IN C3 HOT SPOT

High brightness temperature in C3



5 GHz

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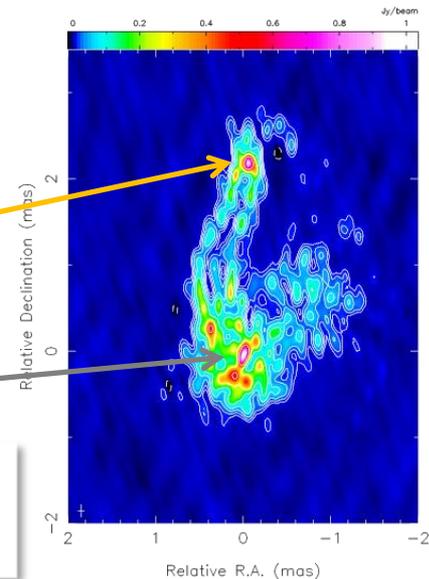


22 GHz

$$T_{b,mod}(C1) = 3 \pm 2 \times 10^{12} \text{K}$$

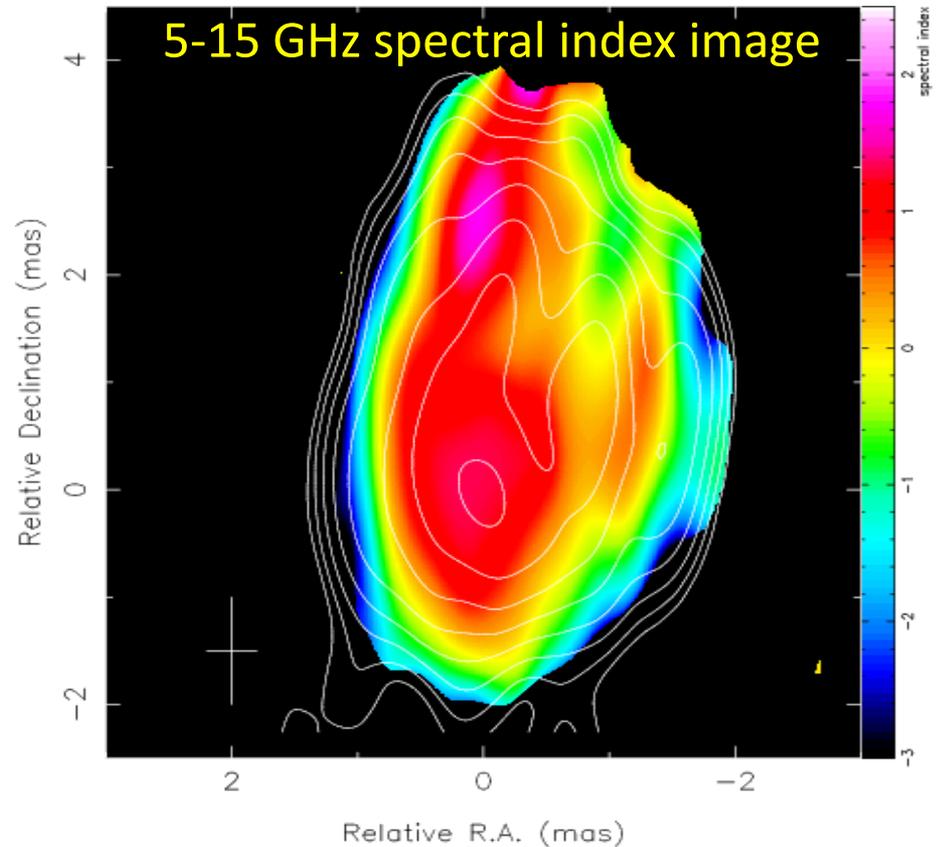
$$T_{b,mod}(C3) = 8 \pm 2 \times 10^{11} \text{K}$$

Inverse Compton limit:
 $T_{b,obs} \lesssim 10^{12} \cdot \delta \text{ K}$



Magnetic and particle energy densities in C3 hot spot

- C3 is optically thick at 5GHz ($\alpha_{C3}^{5-15} = +1.3$)
- Hence, $T_{b,5GHz} \sim T_e$ and we can estimate magnetic field:
 $B \approx 1.4 \times 10^{21} \nu_{GHz} T_b^{-2} \dots$
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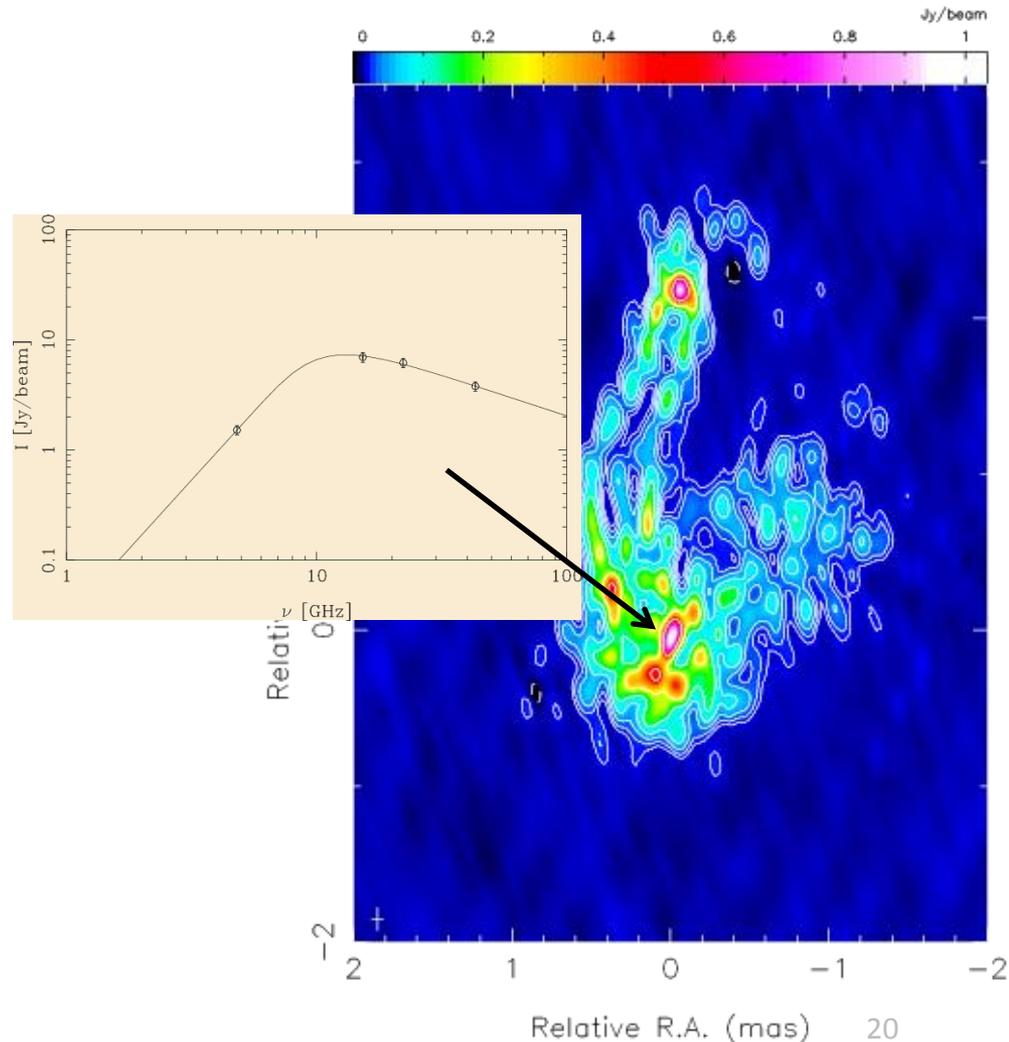
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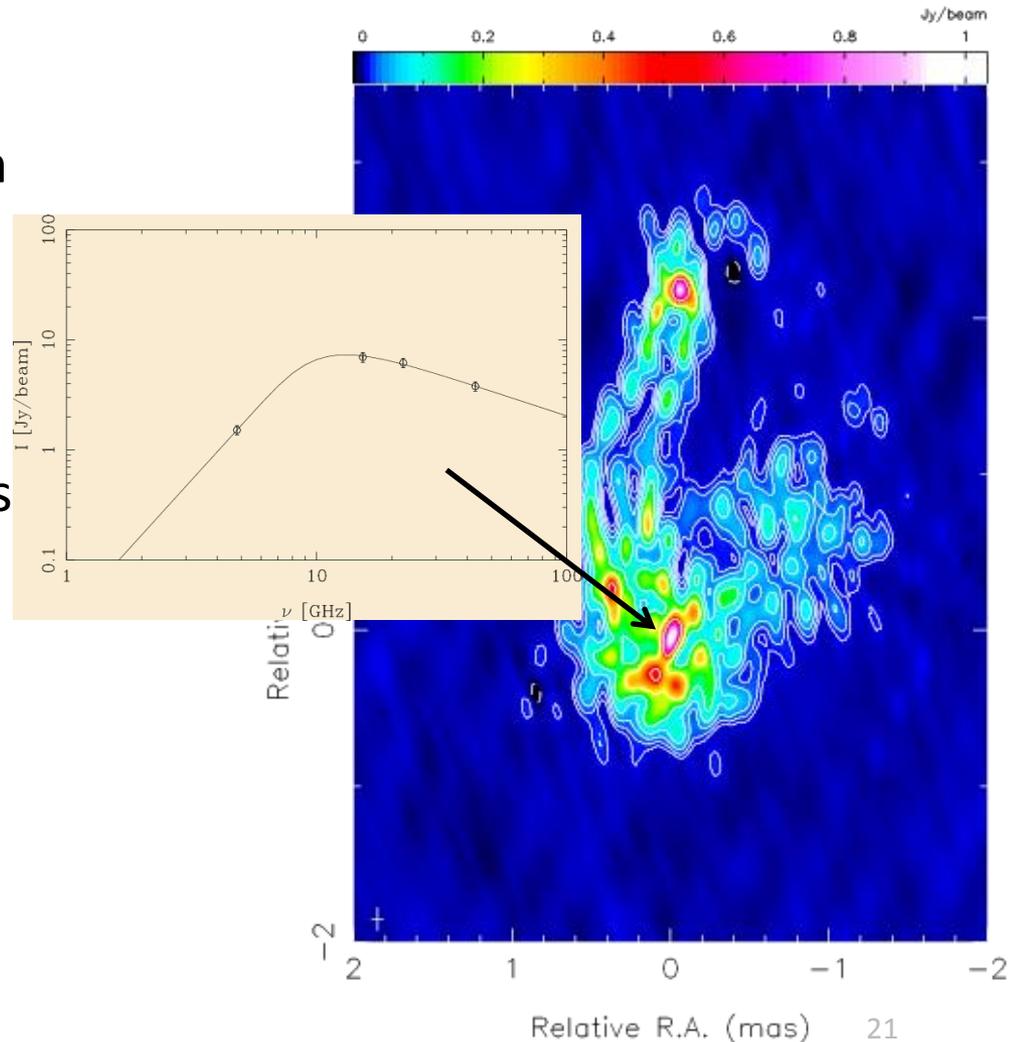
- Other way: measure intensity of a resolved emission region at the synchrotron turnover frequency:

$$B_{SSA} \approx 10^{-3 \pm 0.5} \delta \text{ G}$$



Magnetic and particle energy densities in C3 hot spot

- The high brightness temperature implies strong deviation from equipartition in C3 hot spot. From SSA:
 $U_{re}/U_B \sim 10^{10 \pm 2} \delta^{-7}$
- Equipartition would require $\delta \sim 27$, but if C3 hot spot is a reverse shock, the emitting gas should be moving at $v \sim v_h \approx 0.6c$!
- Need extra Doppler boosting? Jet-in-a-jet from magnetic reconnection (Giannios+09)?



Summary

- 5 GHz RadioAstron image reveals cocoon-like emission around the innermost 1pc long jet.
 - Pressure from a hot cocoon can explain the almost cylindrical shape of the jet
 - The mini-cocoon could have been formed by the increased jet activity since 2003 (energetics, synchrotron life-time, expansion speed, ambient density are all sensible in this scenario)
- High brightness temperature in hot spot of C3 implies strong deviation from equipartition, if the speed of the emission region corresponds to that of the jet head.

BACKUP SLIDES

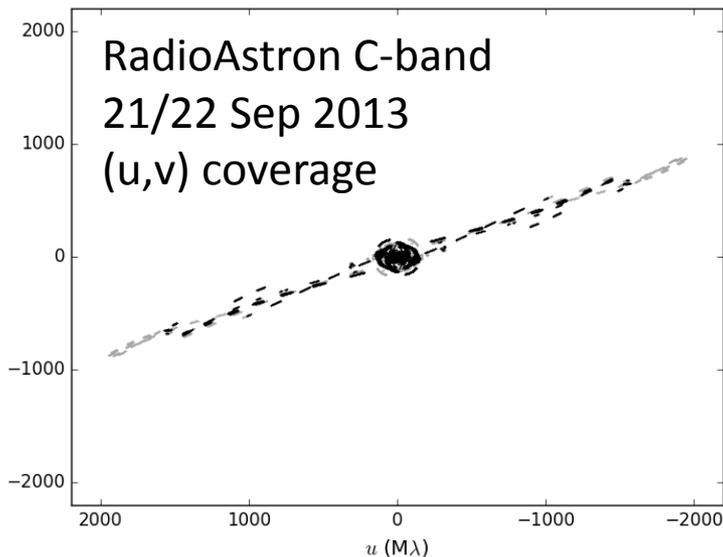
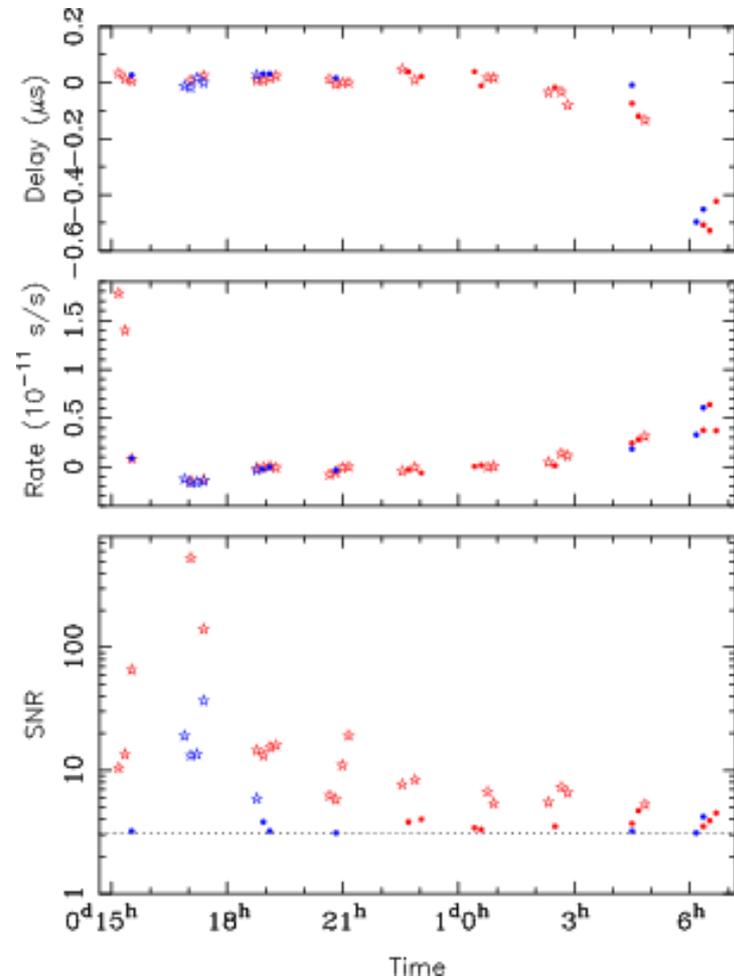
3C84 RadioAstron observations

5/22 GHz in 21/22 Sep 2013

- 25 ground telescopes divided in two arrays (EVN+VLBA+KVN+Gb+VLA+KI)
- Data correlated with modified DiFX correlator in Bonn (Bruni et al. 2015).
- High residual acceleration term (up to $7 \times 10^{-13} \text{ s/s}^2$) near perigee needed to be corrected in post-processing
- Fringe-fitting with PIMA and AIPS

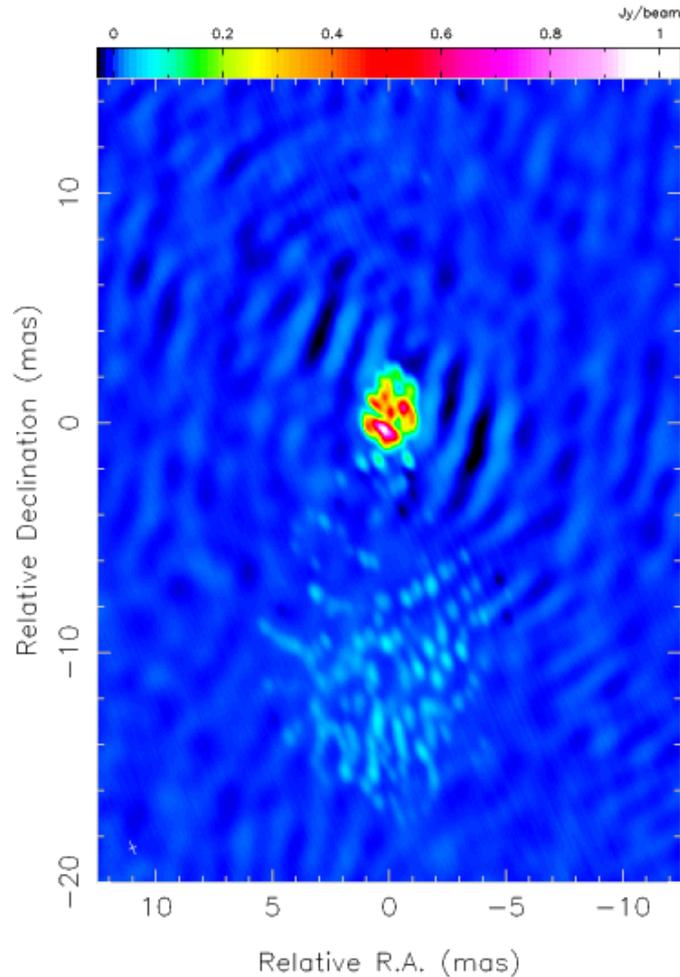
Fringes were detected on space baselines:

- 5 GHz AIPS global fringe fitting: 33 scans over 0.2 - 8.1 ED
- 22 GHz AIPS global fringe fitting: 12 scans over 0.2 - 8.1 ED

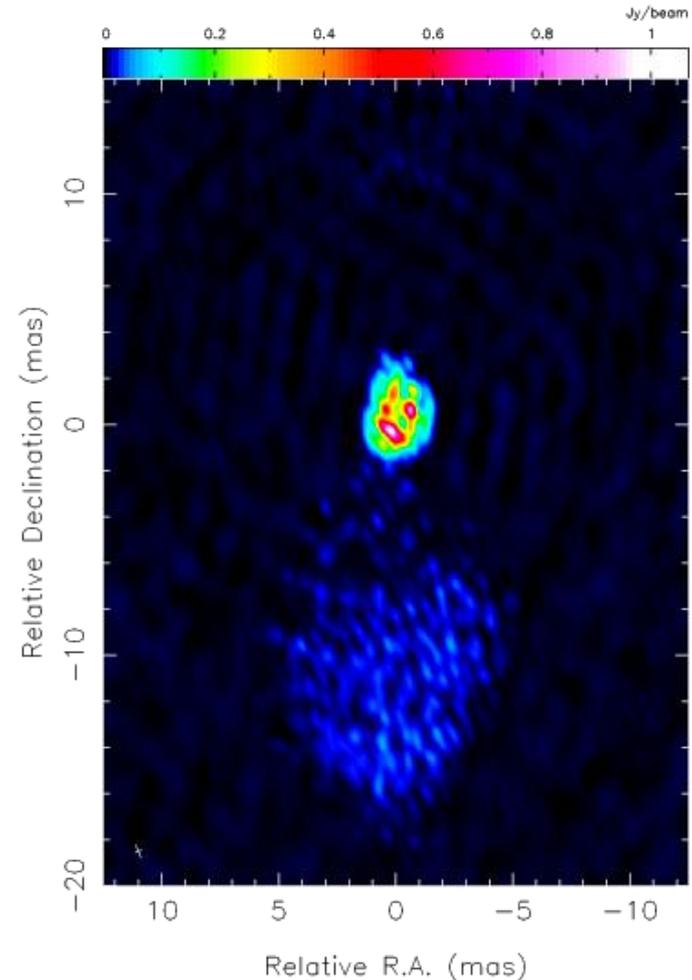


Test: imaging with and without cocoon

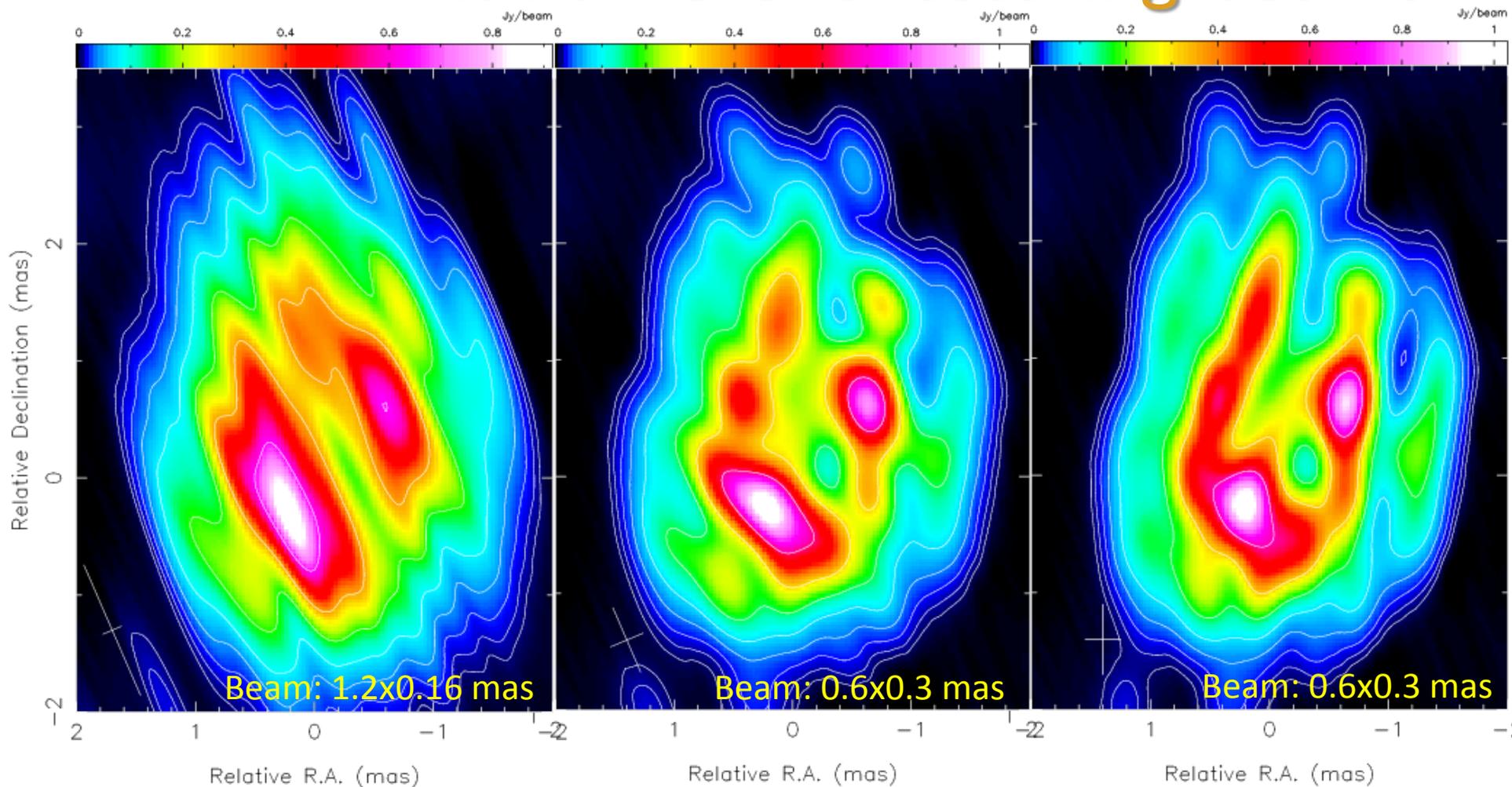
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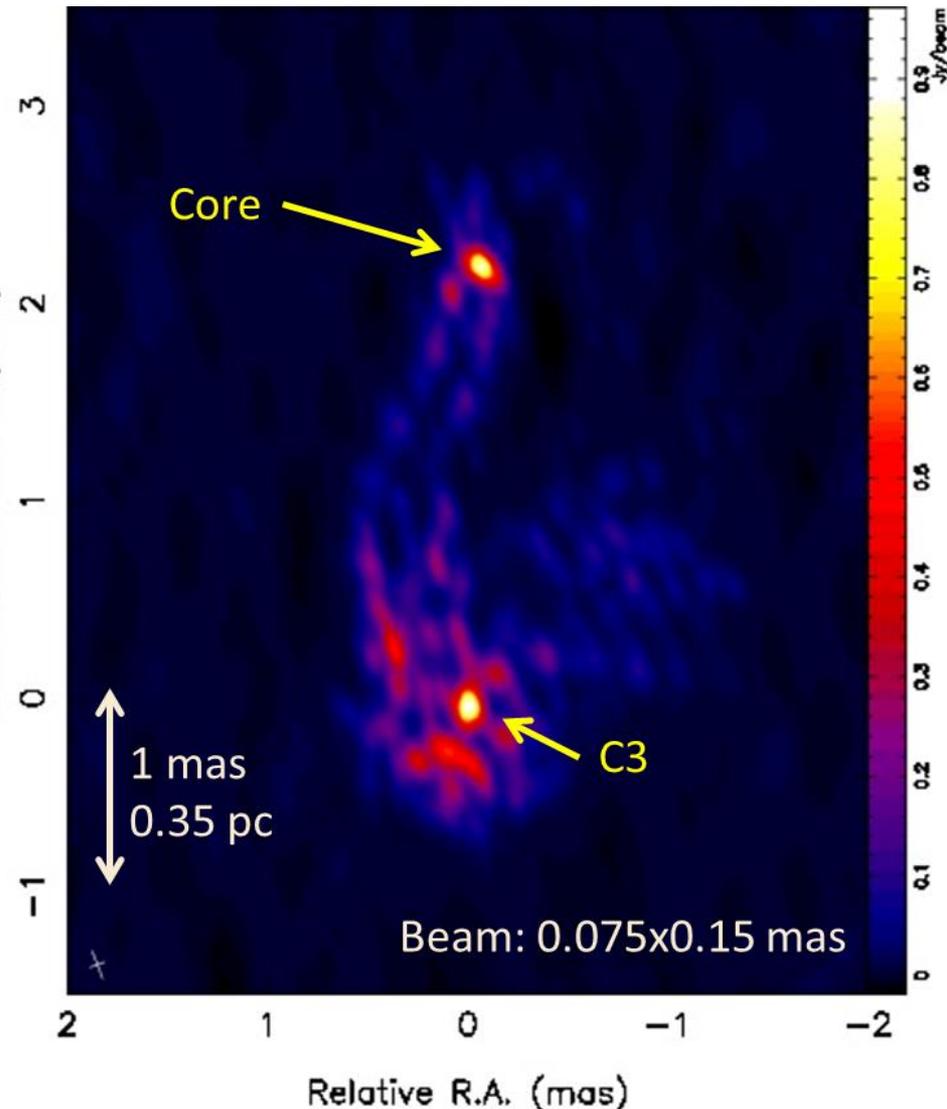
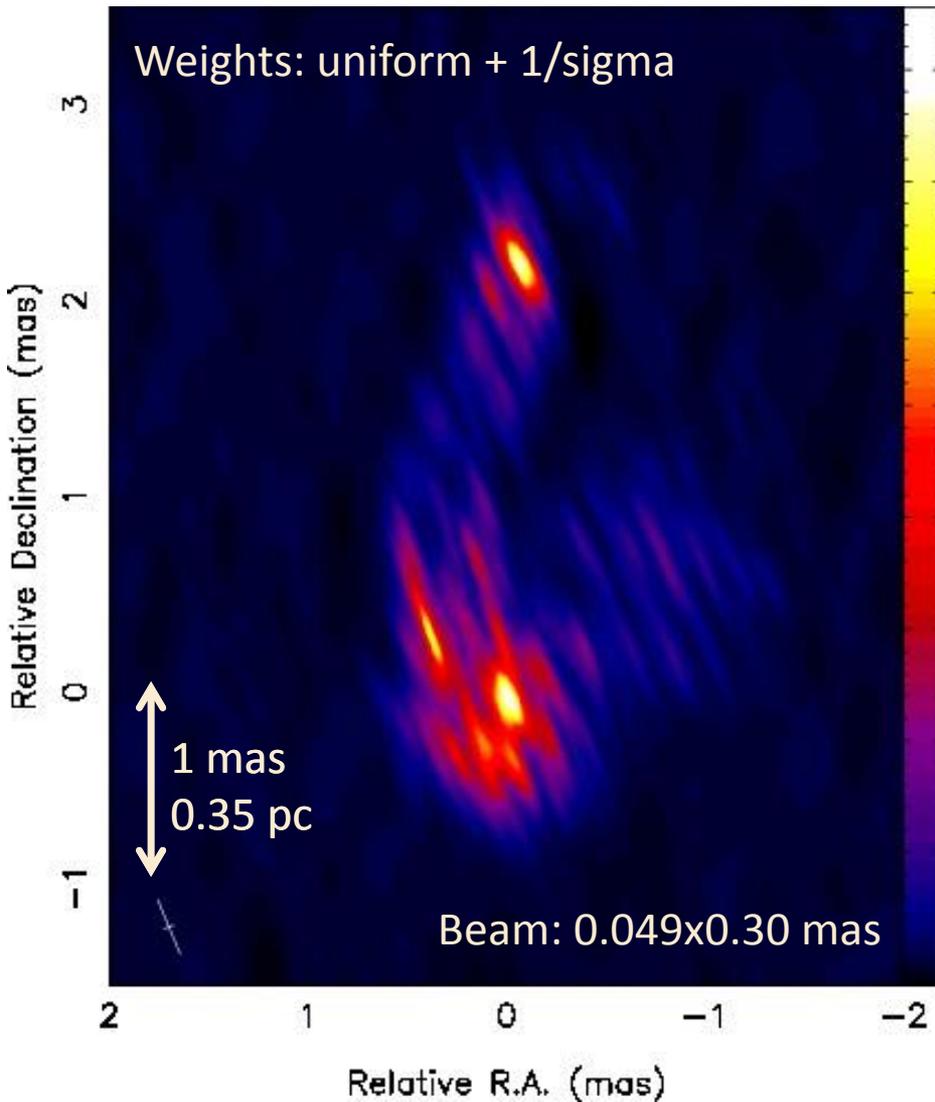
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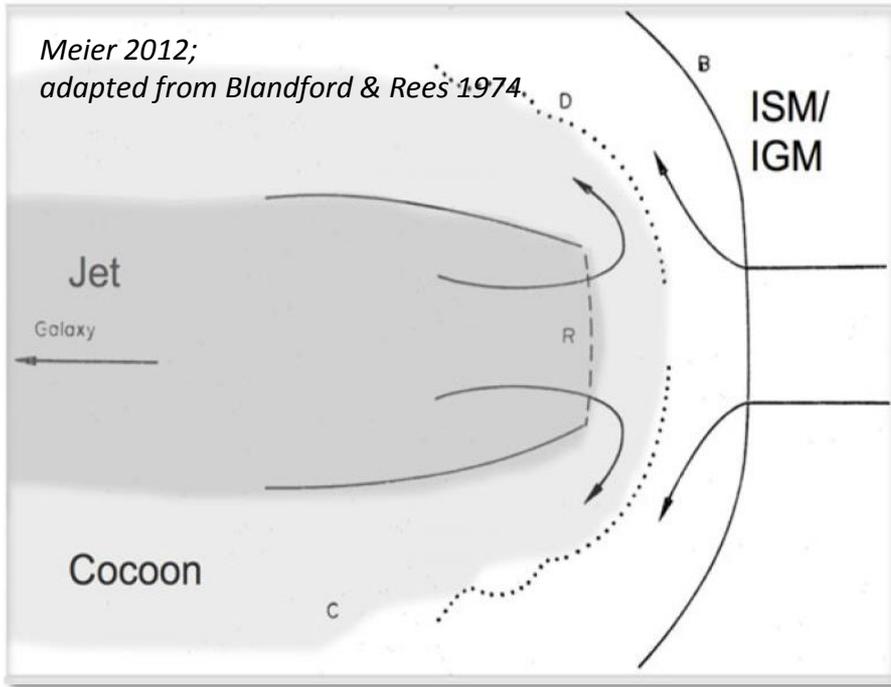
3C84 - 5 GHz RadioAstron images with different restoring beams



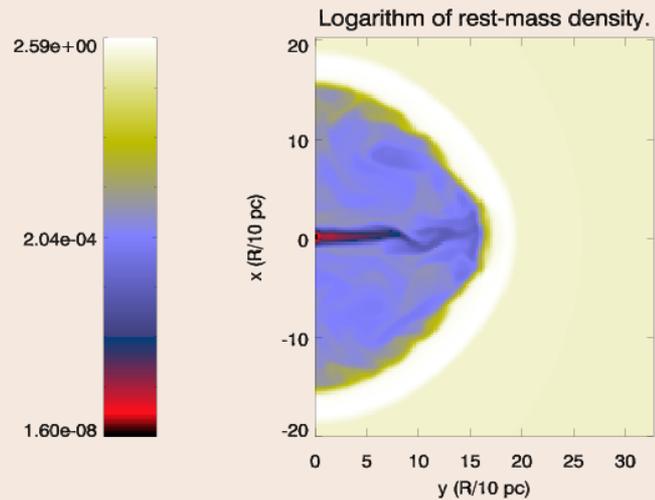
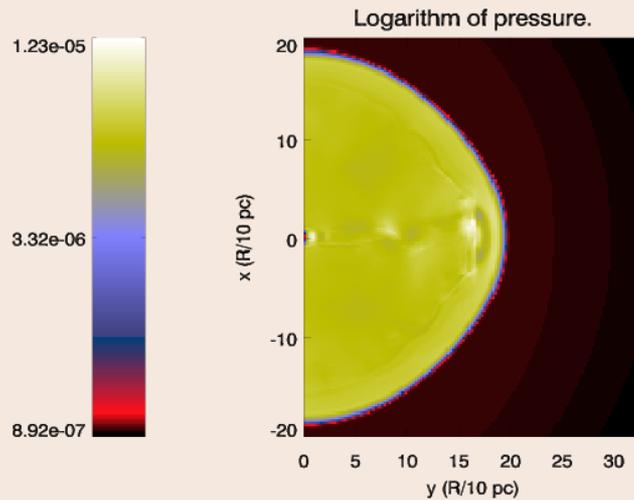
3C84 - 22 GHz RadioAstron images with different beams



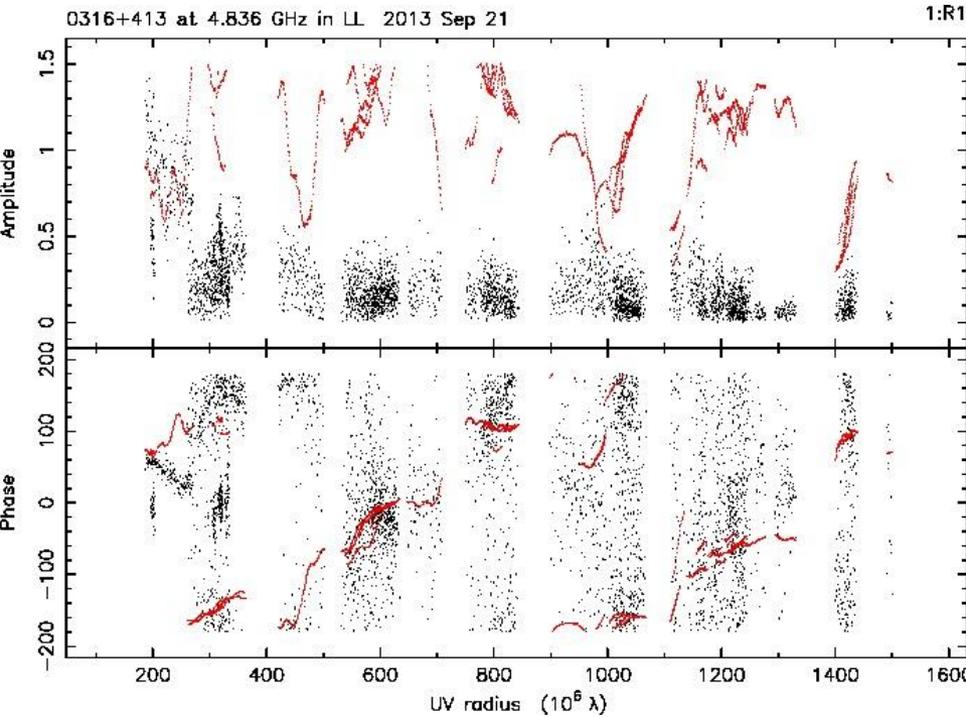
Jet termination



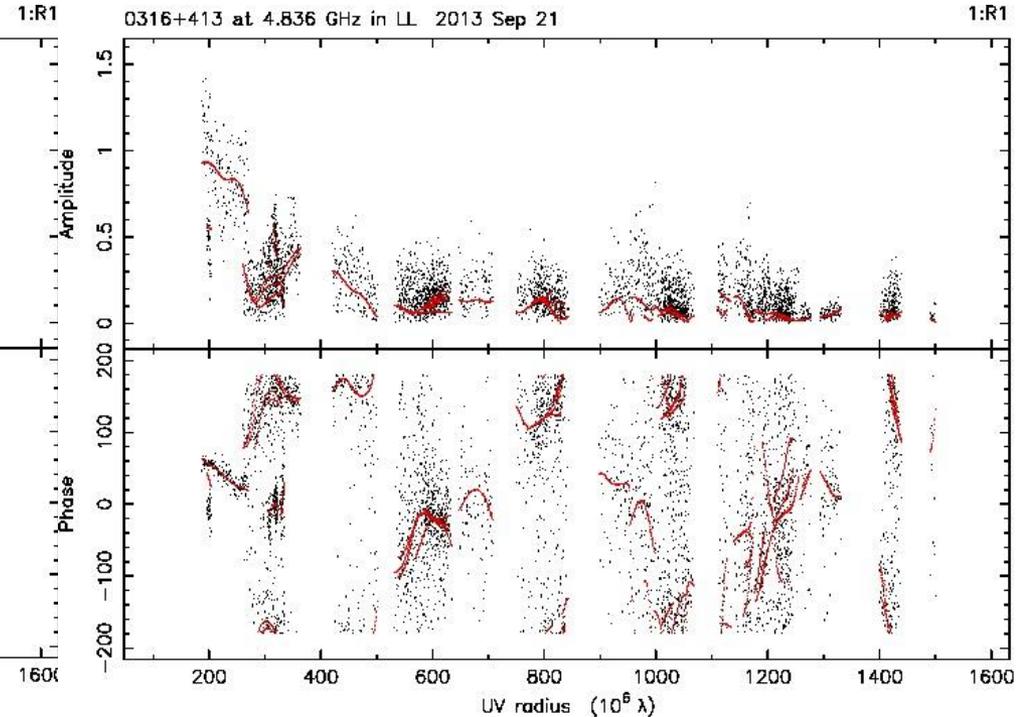
M. Perucho (unpublished)



3C84 at 5GHz with space baselines



RA data and ground-only model



RA data and ground+space model

3C84 at 5GHz - calibration accuracy of the SRT

0316+413 at 4.836 GHz in LL 2013 Sep 21

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