

Extragalactic Sources

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- especially reviews by	Oort, p. 1	general
	Feigelson, p. 107	Gen A
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	Wilkinson, p. 149	kpc-scale sources
	Wilson, p. 179	Seyferts
	Rees, p. 211	Jet mechanisms
	Thorne & Blandford, p. 255	Black hole models
	Readhead & Pearson, p. 279	VLBI structures
	Cohen & Unwin, p. 345	Superluminal sources

Extragalactic Radio Sources.

— distinguish "normal" and "active" systems

"Normal" systems.

35mm slides - M31
M82

Radio emission is trickle-down from stellar processes.

- cosmic ray electrons from SNR's
 - HII regions
 - active stars, etc.
- } $L_{\text{radio}} \sim 10^{-6} L_{\text{optical}}$.

+ nuclear radio sources (nonthermal)

- 10^{18-20} W/Hz in Scd at 6cm
- $10^{18.5} - 10^{21}$ W/Hz in Sab - - -
- $10^{19} - 10^{22}$ W/Hz in SO

slide - M31

mechanisms

arguable

(multiple SNRs, supermassive stars, BH models, etc).

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"Active systems"

Spirals - Seyfert activity (~1% of all spirals)
bright nuclei, emission lines, UV excess, Xray

Ellipticals - "radio galaxies" (few% of all ellipticals)
nuclear sources $10^{22} - 10^{25}$ W/Hz at 6cm
extended emission ~100x brighter, outside galaxy
(10kpc \rightarrow several Mpc)
radio luminosity function - Auriemma et al., A&A., 57,41 (1977)

QSOs - radio quiet, like Seyfert I galaxies only more luminous

QSRS - radio loud (~10% of QSO's). Cores $10^{23} - 10^{28}$ W/Hz at 6cm
can be core-dominated or lobe-dominated. No FeII

Properties of Nuclear Sources in Bright Galaxies

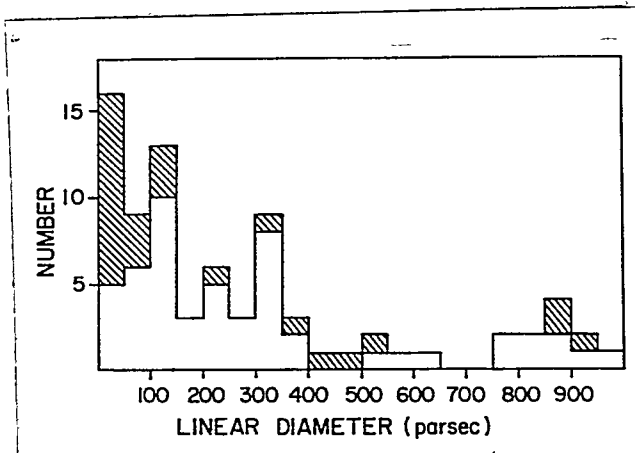


Fig. 2 Distribution of sizes of nuclear sources in spiral galaxies.

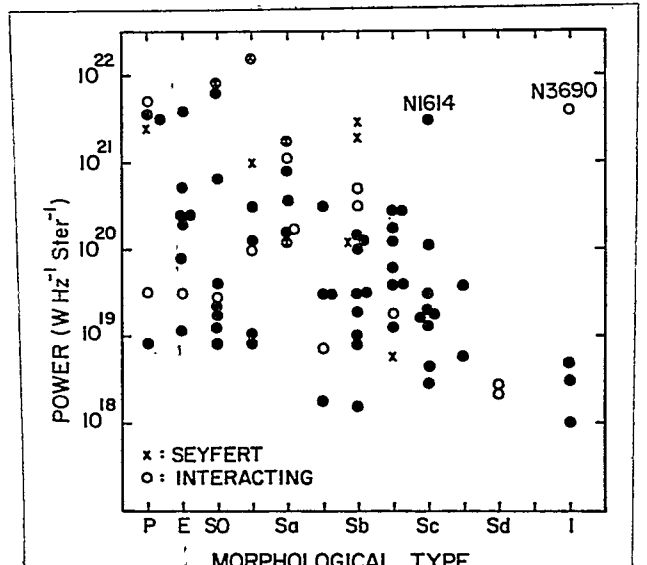


Fig. 3 Monochromatic power (6cm) of nuclei as a function of Hubble type.

from van der Hulst (1980)

QSO's and Type 1 Seyferts

- bright nuclei, faint diffuse envelopes
- high and low luminosity ends of continuous range in optical power?

$$10^{43} - 10^{47} \text{ erg/s.}$$

- permitted emission lines $\Delta v \sim 10,000 \text{ km/s}$ "broad"
- forbidden emission lines $\Delta v \lesssim 1,000 \text{ km/s}$ "narrow"
- not rapidly variable
- UV excesses, \sim black-body at $20,000 - 30,000 \text{ K}$.
- Fe II emission common
- X-ray sources
- nonthermal power-law emission dominates in visible/IR.

Type II Seyferts

weak "broad" lines $\Delta v \sim 10,000 \text{ km/s}$
 strong "narrow" lines $\Delta v \lesssim 1,000 \text{ km/s}$
 starlight and IR source at 200 K dominates.

QSR's

$\sim 10\%$ of QSO's

- optically and X-ray similar to QSO's, but lack Fe II

radio sources always contain cores

Core dominance increases with radio luminosity (assuming isotropic)

$\approx 50\%$ have jets, all one-sided.

$< 5\%$ of all Seyferts are elliptical galaxies \rightarrow QSO's a spiral-galaxy phenomenon.

But lobe-dominated QSR's resemble radio galaxies
 - are these the "Seyfert ellipticals"?

35mm slides

1. Known for almost 25 yrs that sources have basic double structure

- e.g. Cyg A (20cm VLA)

Double structure ~ 90 kpc across

Hot spots ~ kpc

Faint central core in optical object

Optical galaxy (35mm)

Dusty elliptical with strong high-excitation emission lines

Cen A galaxy

Example of nearest RG known.

Optical nature of radio galaxies.

Typically ellipticals with unusual dustiness and bright nuclei + evidence of high-excitation gas (strong emission lines) (like Seyferts)

Emission line spectra resemble high-ionization planetary nebulae + strong forbidden lines. Unusually strong lines of once-ionized ions and neutral atoms.

Apart from abundance differences, resemble Crab Nebula spectrum.

Possibly photoionized by power law spectrum in continuum?

Models - Hot gas at 2×10^6 K, $n_e \sim 10^2 \text{ cm}^{-3}$, Mass $\sim 10^{8.5} M_\odot$
+ clouds at 10^4 K filling $\sim 10^{-6}$ of volume, $\sim 10^7 M_\odot$
 $n_e \sim 10^4 \text{ cm}^{-3}$

~ 1 field galaxy in 10^5 is a radio gal.

Long suspected that activity in nuclei fuels the radio lobes.

Synchrotron lifetimes in hot spots \ll light travel time
If hot spots are in equipartition, + evidence for continuing activity in cores.

Reinforced continuous-activity models with discovery of long thin radio structures linking cores to lobes in many sources — "radio jets"

- e.g. VLA maps of 3C449
(color) M84
NGC 315
NGC 6251

N.B. "Jet" here means "long thin thing" so far
— no direct evidence for flow of material.

- 35mm slide sequence showing trends

- Some active radio gear, order of turn

M84 - (1)

M84 - (2)

IC4296 -

NEC315 -

NEC1265 - (1)

- (2)

NGC6251 - (1)

- (2)

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3C390.3 - (1)

- (2)

3C405

Some transparencies
copied in notes
p. 9-12

- then QSR sheets

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MAIN COMPONENTS OF RADIO GALAXIES

CORES

LINEAR SIZES $\ll 10$ PC

RADIO SPECTRA ~ 0.0

EQUIPARTITION MAGNETIC FIELDS 10^{-3} GAUSS

LINEAR POLARIZATION $\leq 2\%$

JETS

LINEAR SIZES 1 TO 300,000 PC

RADIO SPECTRA $\nu^{-0.6}$

EQUIPARTITION MAGNETIC FIELDS 10^{-4} TO 10^{-6} GAUSS

LINEAR POLARIZATION 0 TO 65%

HOT SPOTS

LINEAR SIZES 1,000 TO 5000 PC

RADIO SPECTRA $\nu^{-0.6}$

EQUIPARTITION MAGNETIC FIELDS 10^{-5} GAUSS

LINEAR POLARIZATION $\sim 15\%$

LOBES

LINEAR SIZES 50,000 TO 1,000,000 PC

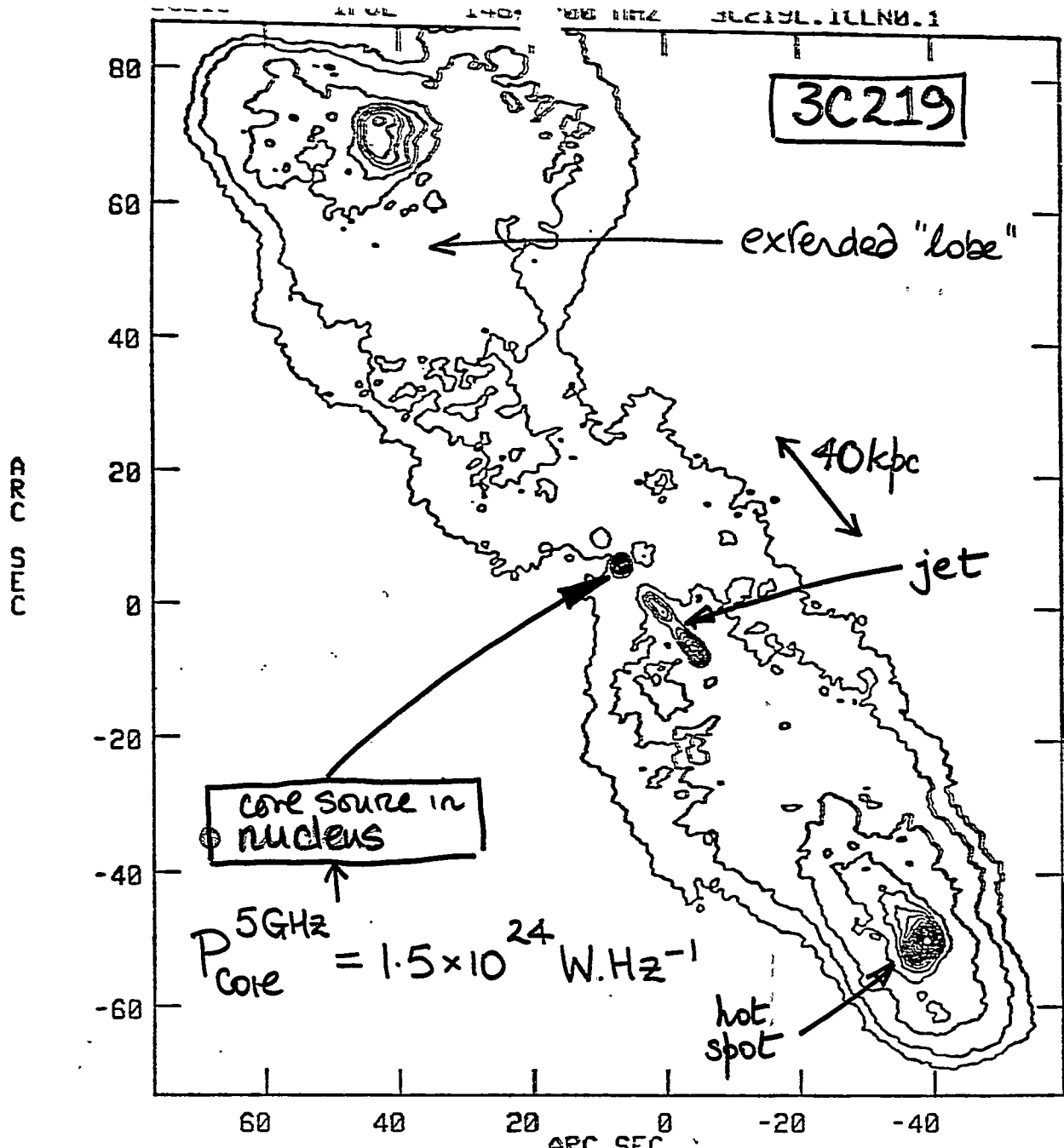
RADIO SPECTRA $\nu^{-0.8}$ TO $\nu^{-1.3}$

EQUIPARTITION MAGNETIC FIELDS 3×10^{-6} TO 10^{-6}

LINEAR POLARIZATION 0% TO 60%

Parts of a typical powerful radio galaxy

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Reg. 1

$$P_{\text{core}} = 1.5 \times 10^{24} \text{ W.Hz}^{-1}$$

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Perley
Merrick
in prep

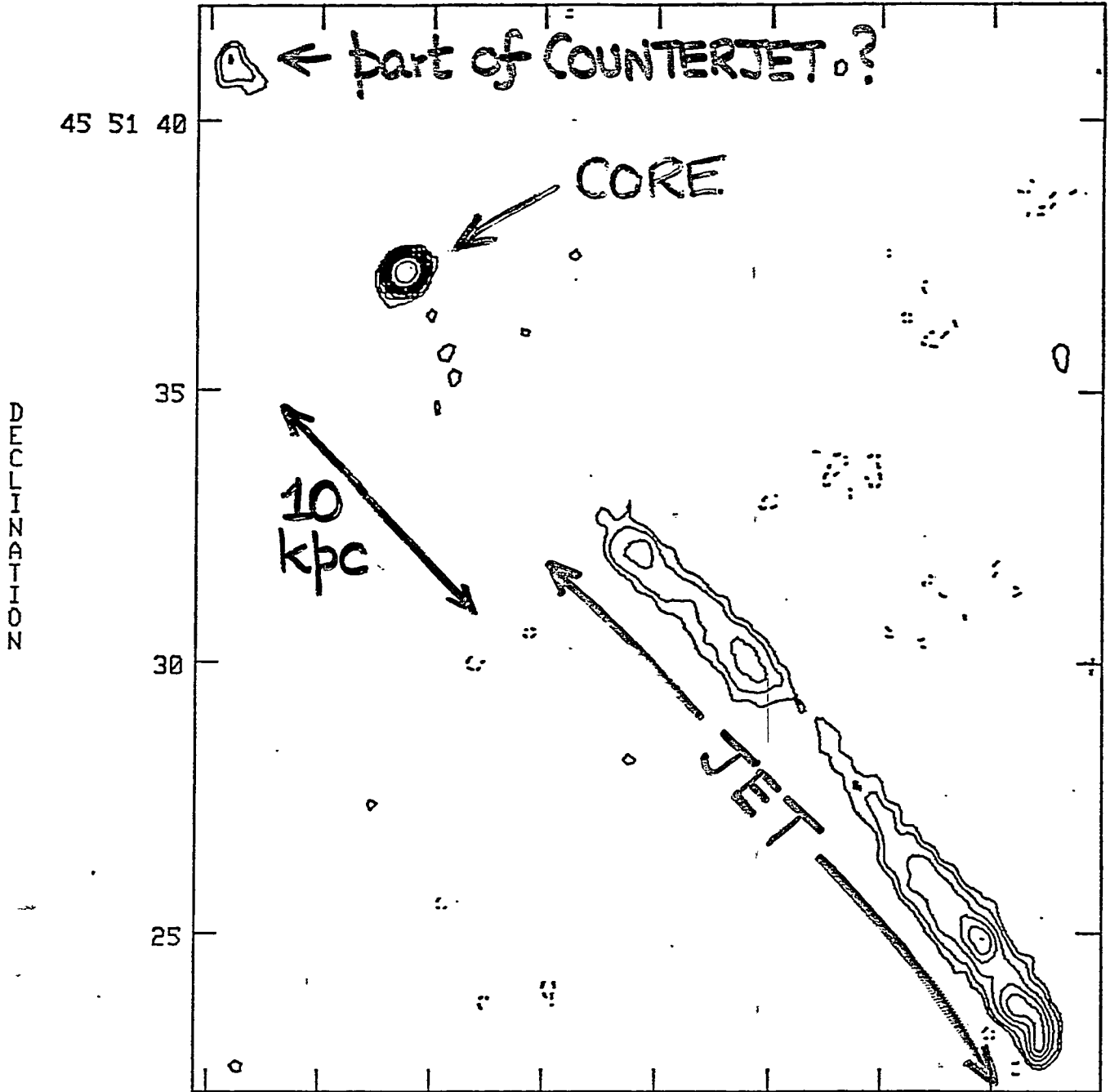
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 40.0, 45.0, 50.0, 55.0, 60.0, 65.0,
 70.0, 75.0, 80.0, 85.0, 90.0)

Detail of central region of p. 6

3C 219

4885.100 MHz

VLA 0".3 x 0".4



09 17 50.4 50.2 50.0 49.8 49.6 49.4 49.2 49.0
RIGHT ASCENSION

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 30.0 35.0 40.0 50.0 100.0)

5GHz
 $P_{core} = 1.5 \times 10^{24} \text{ W.Hz}^{-1}$

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 PERLEY
 HENRIKSEN
 in preparation

Some Systematic Trends in extragalactic sources

SOURCES WITH LOW CORE POWERS ($P_{core}^{5GHz} \leq 10^{23} \text{ W/Hz}$)

- large scale jets are "two-sided" ($\leq 4:1$) - B_{\perp} -dominated
- p_{min} confinable by Xray halo [but not M87]
- brighter large scale jet has short one-sided B_{\parallel} base
- VLB "jet" (if any) aligns with brighter large scale jet
- jets merge gradually with lobes

SOURCES WITH HIGH CORE POWERS ($P_{core}^{5GHz} \geq 10^{23} \text{ W/Hz}$)

- large scale jets are "one-sided" ($\geq 4:1$) - B_{\parallel} -dominated
- p_{min} hard to confine by Xray halo
- jets terminate in bright spots
- VLB "jet" (if any) on same side as brighter large scale jet, alignment better if core does not dominate.

Occurrence rates in "complete" samples

Nearby radio galaxies	70-80%	($z < 0.05$)
Distant radio galaxies	$\leq 10\%$	($z > 0.4$)
3CR QSRs	$> 50\%$	

VLA 1"3

MB4 IPOL 4885.100 MHZ MB4 6BC U3.ICLN.1

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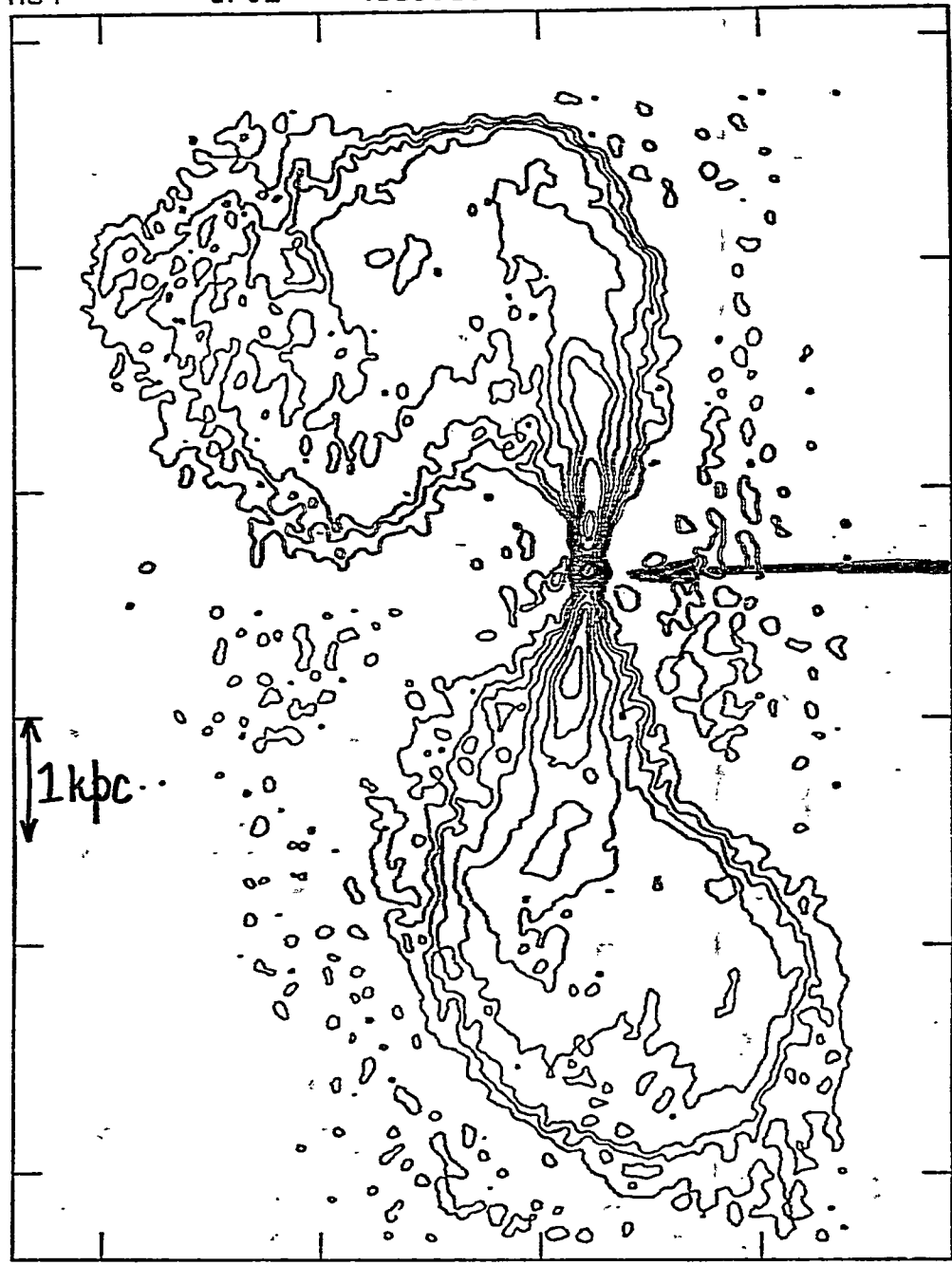
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$P_{5\text{GHz core}} = 5.5 \times 10^{21} \text{ W.Hz}^{-1}$

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E galaxy in Virgo Cluster
Typical week radio galaxy

DECLINATION



Perley
Fomalont
Johnston

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QSO

3C273

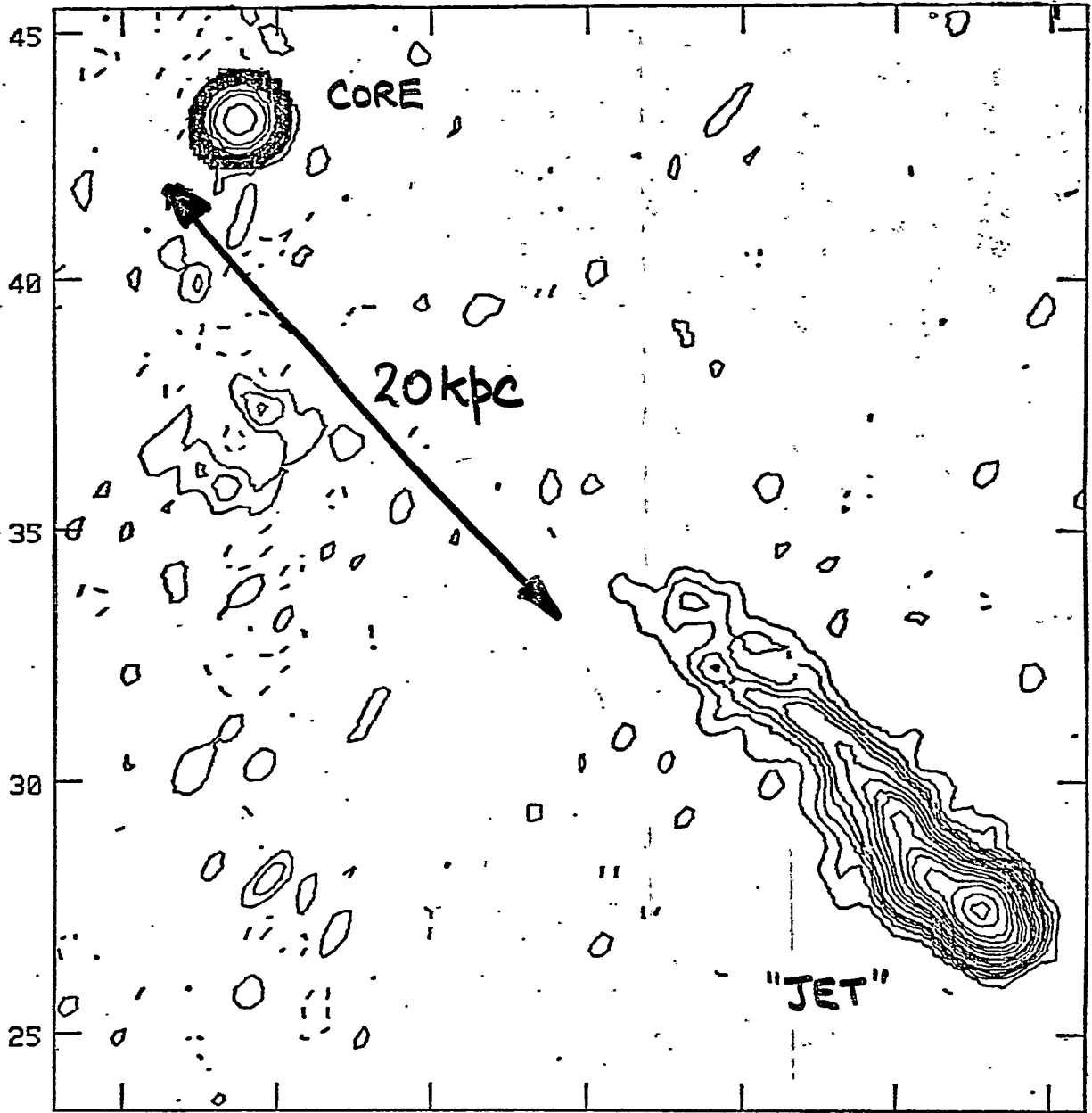
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VLA 0".6

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DECLINATION



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$$P_{\text{core}}^5 = 8.4 \times 10^{26} \text{ W/Hz}$$

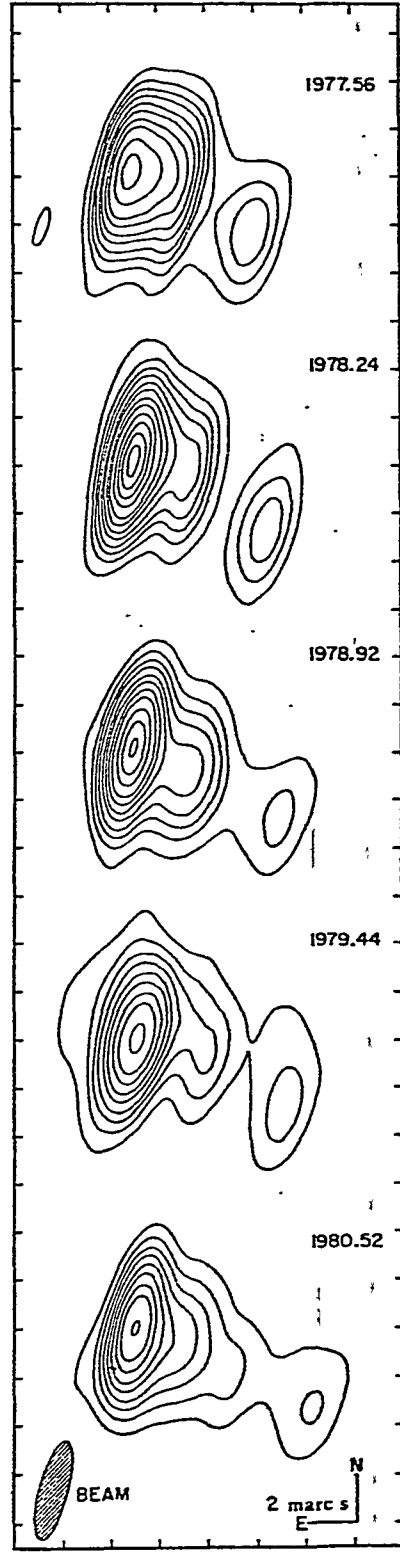
Typical core-dominated quasar source

U to v...
(Casper)

Perley, Fomalont, Johnston

3C273
CORE

10pc
↔



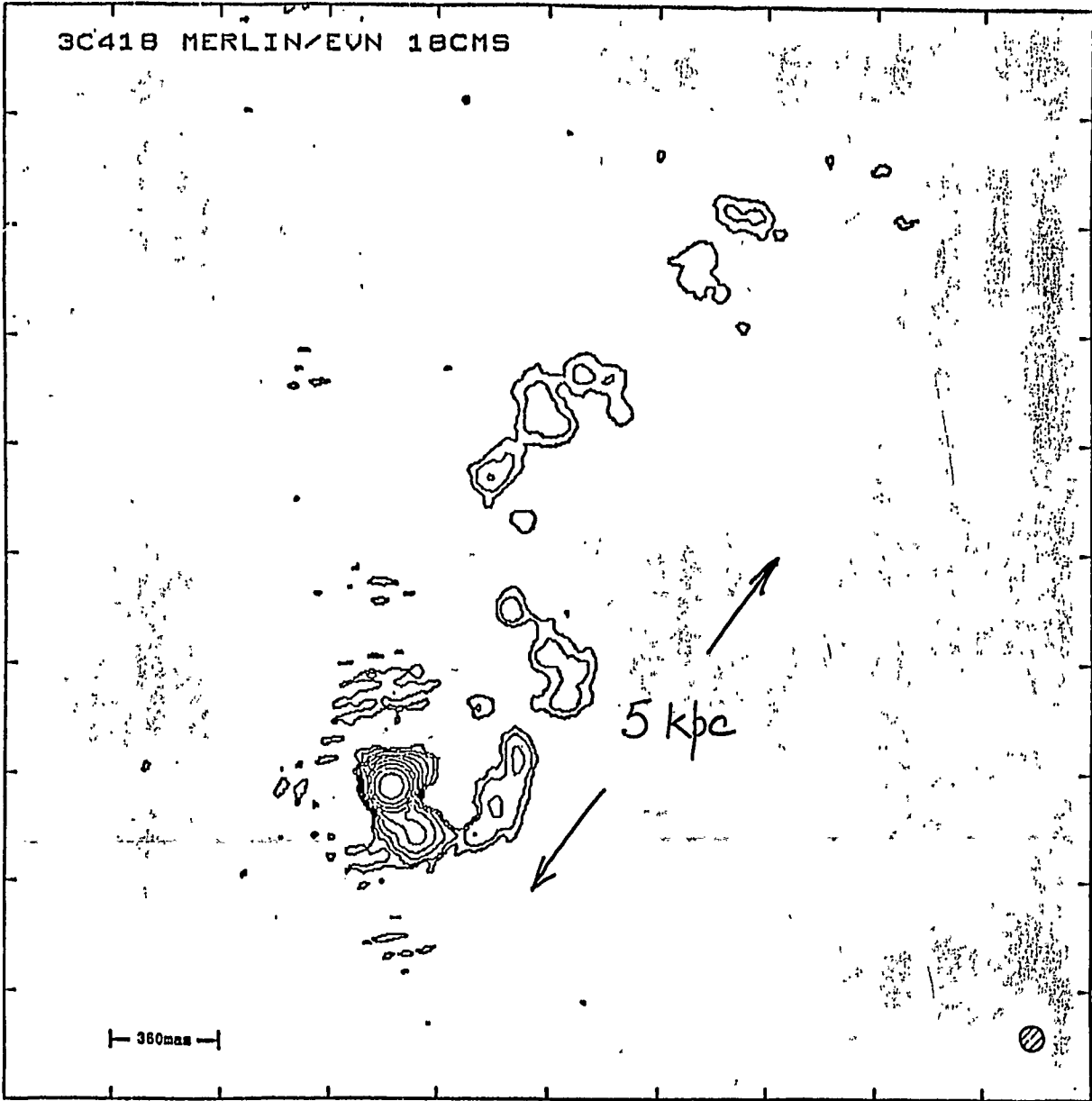
Pearson et al.
Nature,
290, 365
(1981)

$$v_{exp} (H=100, q_0=1/2) = (5.3 \pm 0.3)c$$

"Superluminal expansion" in Core-dominated quasar

PEARSON, UHLEN, LORICA, LA VOTTE, GUNDEL, HUGHES, JONES, (1981) NATURE, 290, 365

3C418 MERLIN/EVN 18CMS



QSO, $z = 1.686$
 $P_{5GHz}^{core} = 1.7 \times 10^{28} \text{ W.Hz}^{-1}$

CONTOURS IN PERCENT!
 0.2 0.4 0.8 1.6
 3.2 6.4 12.8 25.6
 51.2

peak 4376mJy/beam
 beam 80mas

4 TELESCOPE EVN
 5 " MERL

$\lambda 18$ MERLIN BEAM $\sim 0.2''$
 $\lambda 18$ EVN ... $\sim 0.1''$

RESTORING BEAM

Muxlow, unpublished

extreme case of core-dominated
 source → note bent structure

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(A FEW OF THE) PROBLEMS POSED BY RADIO GALAXIES and QSRs

1. ENERGY BUDGET

-- MINIMUM (EQUIPARTITION) ENERGY RESERVOIRS OF EXTENDED LOBES ARE OF ORDER 10^5 TO $10^7 M_{\odot} c^2$

2. COLLIMATION/CONFINEMENT

-- FREE RELATIVISTIC PLASMOIDS EXPAND AT SOUND SPEED $\sim c/\sqrt{3}$ BUT SEPARATE FROM GALAXY AT VELOCITIES $< c$

-- SHOULD THEREFORE SUBTEND ANGLES $> 2 \tan^{-1} (1/\sqrt{3})$ AT GALAXY $> 60^\circ$

-- MOST RADIO GALAXY LOBES SUBTEND ANGLES $\ll 60^\circ$ AT GALAXY

-- MEDIAN ANGLE SUBTENDED BY HOT SPOTS $\sim 0.6^\circ$ AT GALAXY

-- HENCE MOST LOBES NOT FREELY EXPANDING BUT CONFINED MUST BE ENERGY LOSSES WORKING AGAINST CONFINEMENT

3. ADIABATIC EXPANSION LOSSES

-- IF MAGNETIC FLUX CONSERVED $B \propto R^{-2}$ (R = PLASMOID SCALE)

PARTICLES WORK AGAINST CONFINEMENT $E \propto R^{-1}$

-- SYNCHROTRON EMISSIVITY DECLINES AS R^{-2x} [$N(E) \propto E^{-x}$] FOR OBSERVED $x \sim 2.5$, R^{-5} DECLINE IN SYNCHROTRON EMISSIVITY

-- OBSERVED LOBE STRUCTURES REQUIRE SUPERLUMINOUS "EVENTS"

4. LIFETIMES OF RADIATING PARTICLES

-- SYNCHROTRON LIFETIMES OF PARTICLES IN HOT SPOTS (IN EQUIPARTITION) ARE LESS THAN SEPARATION FROM GALAXY
C

-- NEED CONTINUOUS SUPPLY OF FRESH PARTICLES AT HOT SPOTS

PRIMARY INGREDIENTS OF "BEAM" MODELS

ENERGY GENERATION

> 10³⁶ Watts - powerful RG
> 10³⁸ Watts - powerful QSO

- * WELL WITHIN OBSERVED RADIO CORES
- * INFALL OF MATTER, ANGULAR MOMENTUM, INTO DEEP GRAVITATIONAL POTENTIAL WELL AT CENTER OF GALAXY
- * CONVERSION OF GRAVITATIONAL, ROTATIONAL ENERGY INTO BULK KINETIC ENERGY

ENERGY TRANSPORT

- * PATHWAY SHOWN BY RADIO JETS
- * COLLIMATION OF KINETIC ENERGY OUTFLOW BY
 - (A) NOZZLES
 - (B) DONUT HOLES (THICK DISKS)
 - (C) VORTEX FUNNELS
- * DIRECTED OUTFLOW (AT WHAT VELOCITY ??) OF ENERGY, MOMENTUM IN TWO STREAMS

ENERGY CONVERSION

- * SITE INDICATED BY RADIO HOT SPOTS
- * SUPERSONIC FLOWS END AT SHOCKED INTERFACE WITH CIRCUMGALACTIC GAS
- * RANDOMIZATION OF DIRECTED KINETIC ENERGY, PARTICLE ACCELERATION, ETC.

ENERGY DISSIPATION

- * DIFFUSION THROUGHOUT RADIO LOBES
- * WASTE HEAT ?

IMPLICATIONS OF RADIO JETS FOR PHYSICS OF
ENERGY TRANSPORT IN RADIO
GALAXIES AND QUASARS

1. EXISTENCE OF JETS

- FLOWS OF RADIATING PARTICLES AND FIELDS FROM ACTIVE NUCLEI TO THE DISTANT RADIO LOBES, COLLIMATED AT OBSERVABLE DISTANCES (SEVERAL KPC) FROM THE ACTIVE NUCLEI

2. WIDTH EVOLUTION OF JETS (COLLIMATION)

- CONSTRAINTS ON MECHANISMS FOR CONFINEMENT
- EVIDENCE FOR LARGE-SCALE HIGH-PRESSURE ATMOSPHERES ?

3. LINEAR POLARIZATION DISTRIBUTIONS

- ORGANISED MAGNETIC FIELD STRUCTURES, PARALLEL → PERPENDICULAR
- CORRELATIONS WITH RADIO CORE LUMINOSITY

4. INTENSITY AND SPECTRAL DISTRIBUTIONS

- EVIDENCE FOR PARTICLE REACCELERATION ALONG THE JETS

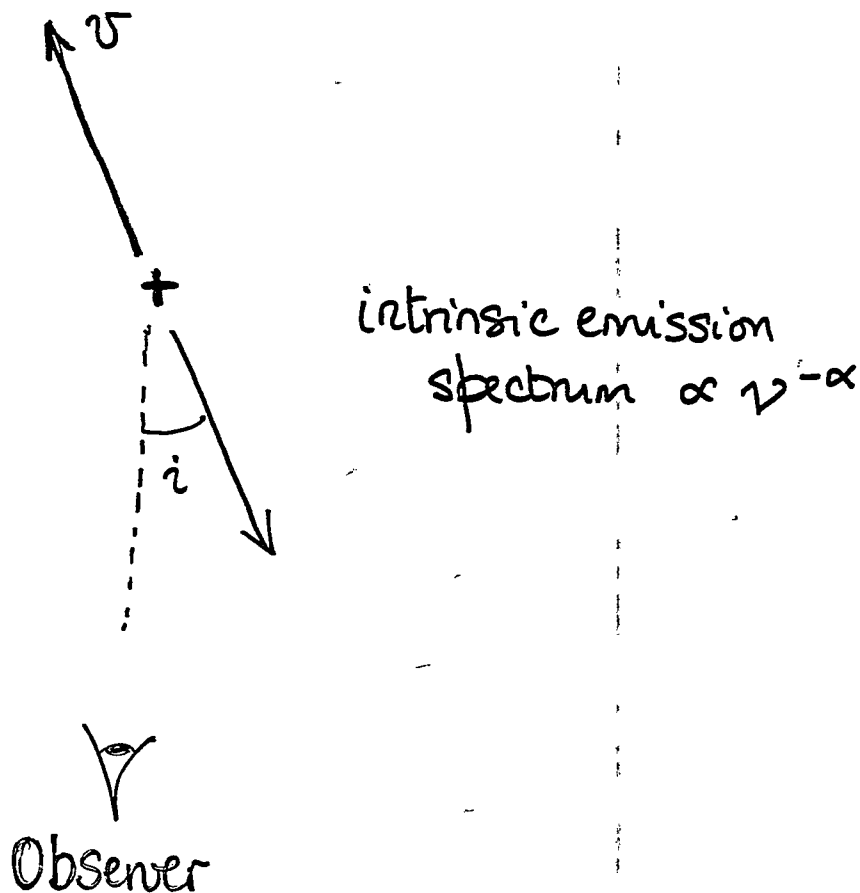
JET BENDING

- EVIDENCE FOR JET STABILITY
- CONSTRAINTS ON (MAGNETO)FLUID DYNAMICAL MODELS

5. SIDE-TO-SIDE ASYMMETRIES

- ?? (STRONG UNEXPLAINED CORRELATION WITH LUMINOSITY)

"Doppler favouritism" of relativistic jets



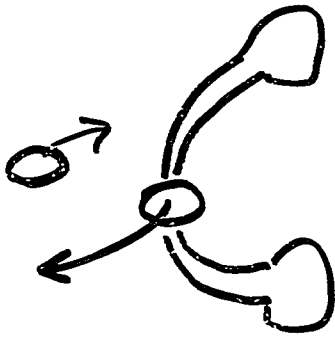
$$\frac{S_{\text{approaching}}}{S_{\text{receding}}} = \left(\frac{1 + \frac{v}{c} \cos i}{1 - \frac{v}{c} \cos i} \right)^{2+\alpha}$$

Apparent separation velocity $v' = \frac{v \sin i}{1 - \frac{v}{c} \cos i}$

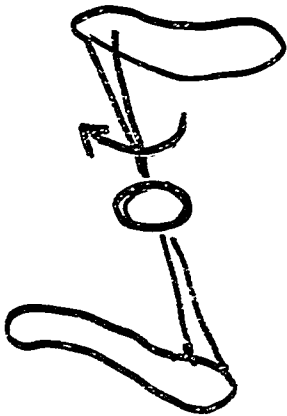
can be $> c$



UNPERTURBED TWO-SIDED
JET



PERTURBATION BY
TRANSLATION THROUGH
CIRUMGALACTIC
MEDIUM



PERTURBATION BY
PRECESSION (WOBBLE)
OF PRIMARY
COLLIMATOR (BLACK
BOX)

Possible Exotic Source Shapes Derivable
from Basic Jet-Lobe Structure

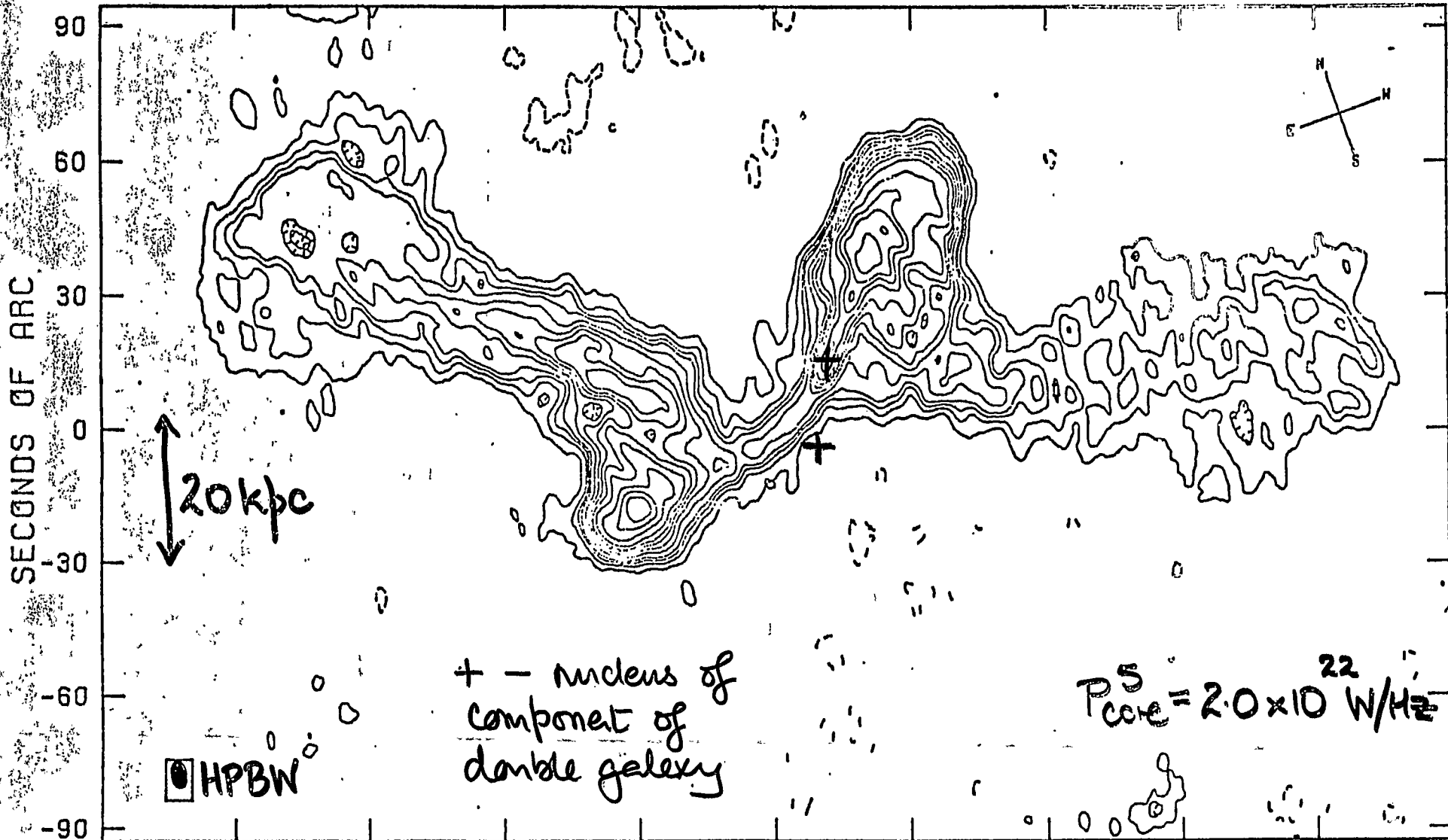
NGC326

IPOL

1465 MHz

CLEAN MAPNO= 700

VLA



+ - nucleus of component of double galaxy

$P_{core}^S = 2.0 \times 10^{22} \text{ W/MHz}$

HPBW

Fomalont, Ekers,
Fanti, Lari, Parma
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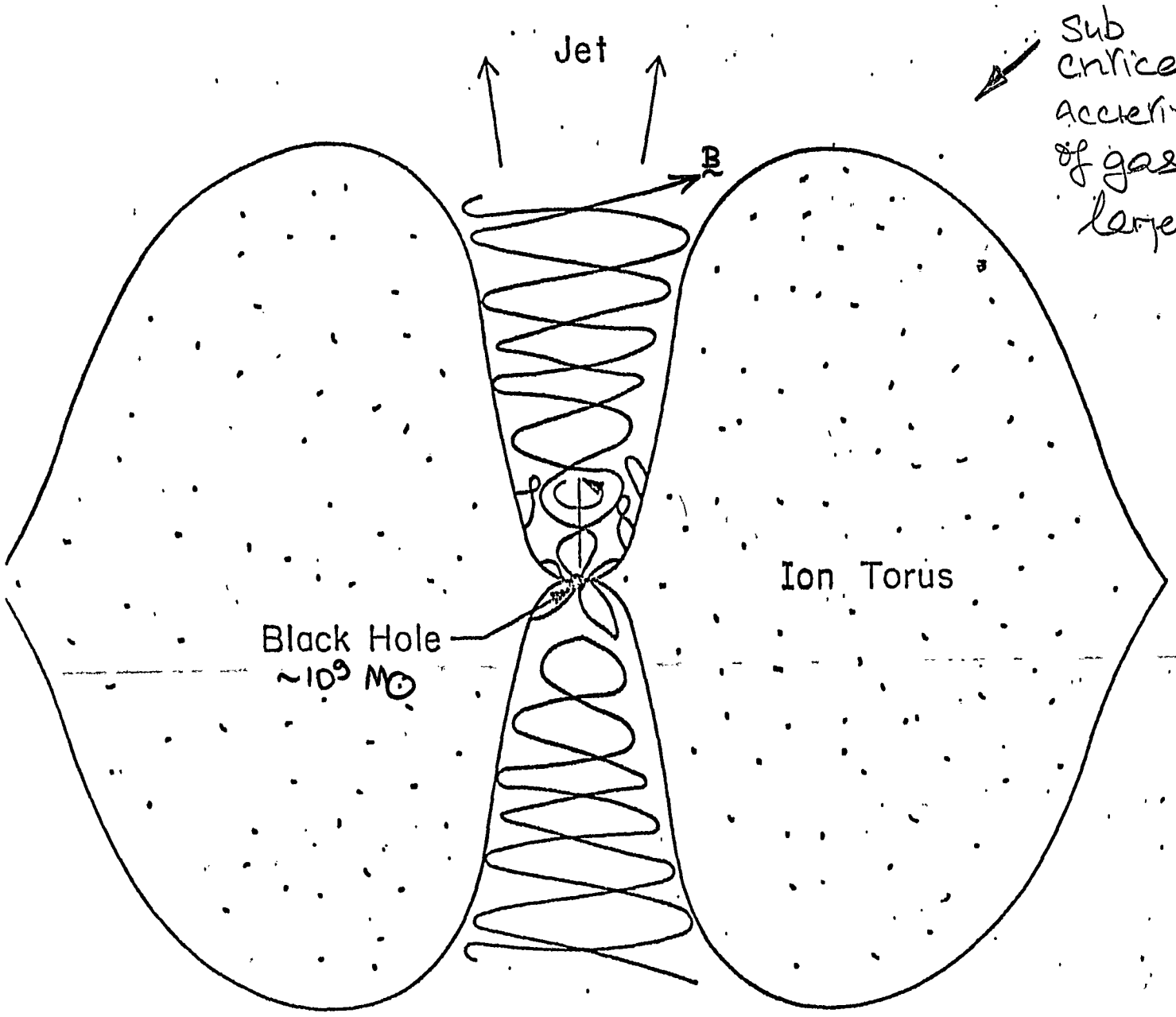
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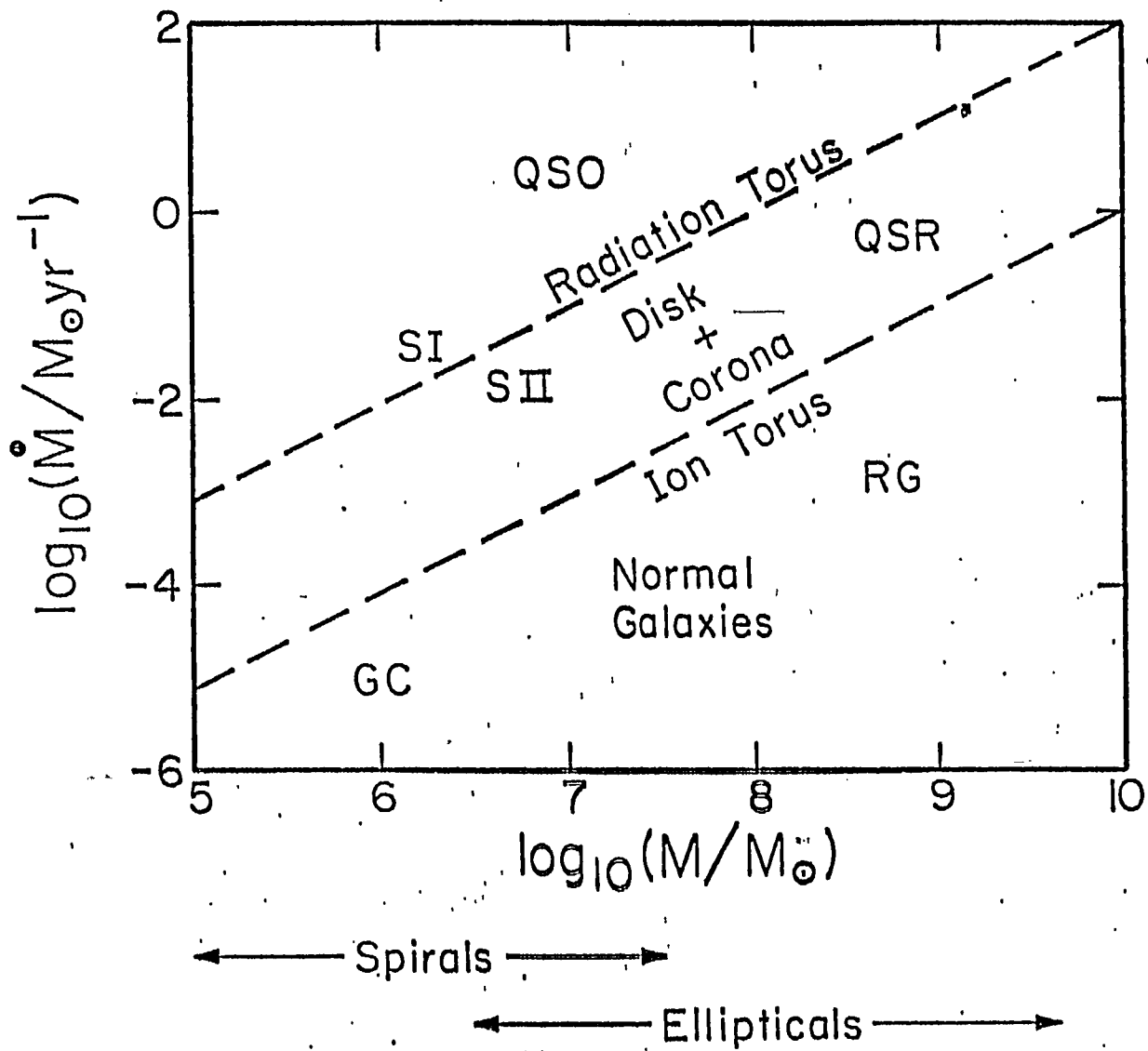
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Ingredients of a typical central engine model
(Blanford)



Sub critical accretion of gas from larger scales



Blandford "unified scheme" for active objects
 (Texas Symposium, 1983)