

# Towards the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Discovery of Cosmic Jets

## M87 Workshop

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### TOPICS

- Super/ultra-massive black holes
- Black Hole accretion flows
- Relativistic Jets from birth to termination
- Co-evolution of galaxy and black hole: AGN feedback
- High energy emissions in LLAGNs and their synergy to  $\gamma$ -ray blazars

Registration will be opened soon

**SOC:** P. Ho (ASIAA, Chair)

L. Ho (KIAA, Vice-chair, Keynote talk on SMBH)

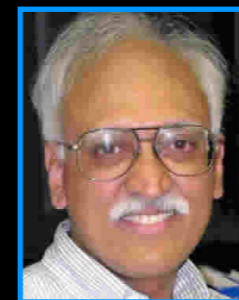
R. Blandford (Stanford, Keynote talk on BH jet)

A. Fabian (IoA, Keynote talk on AGN feedback)

R. Narayan (CfA, Keynote talk on BH accretion)

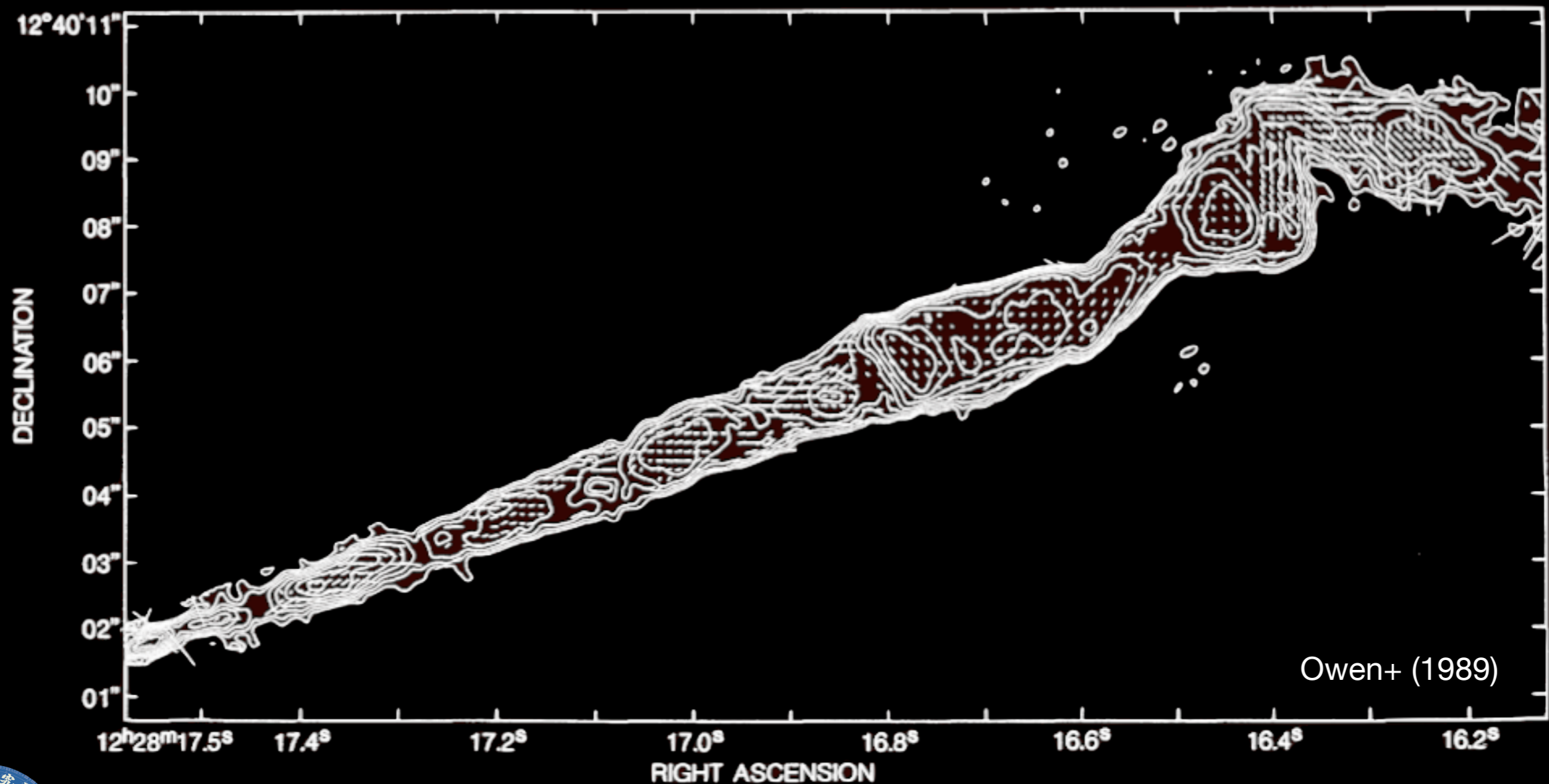
K. Asada (ASIAA, Secretary)

M. Nakamura (ASIAA, Secretary)



Invited Speakers: To be announced

# Magnetohydrodynamic Model of the M87 Jet



Masa Nakamura (ASIAA, Taiwan)

Extragalactic Relativistic Jets@ICTS, Bangalore, India 2015



# Outline

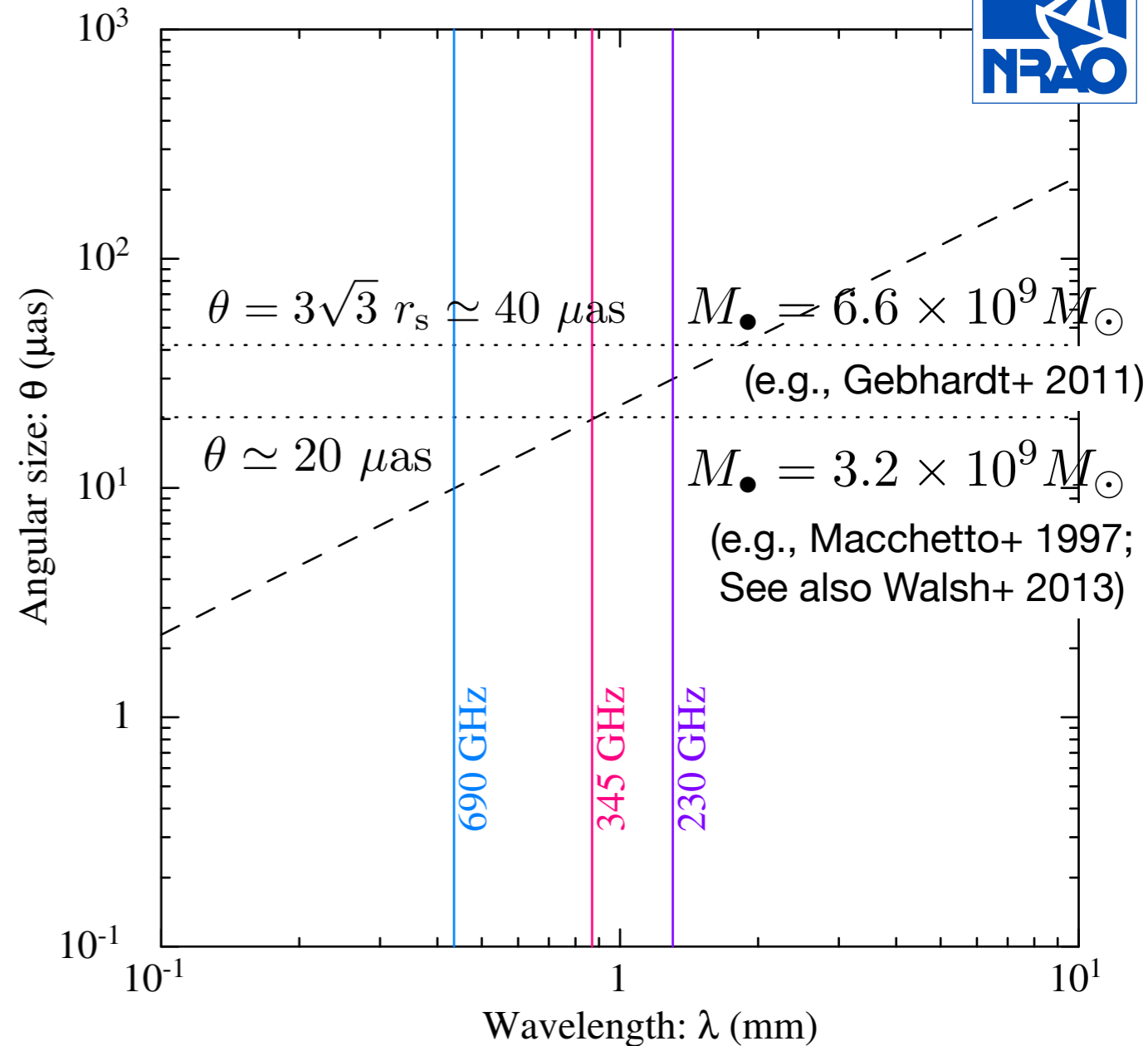
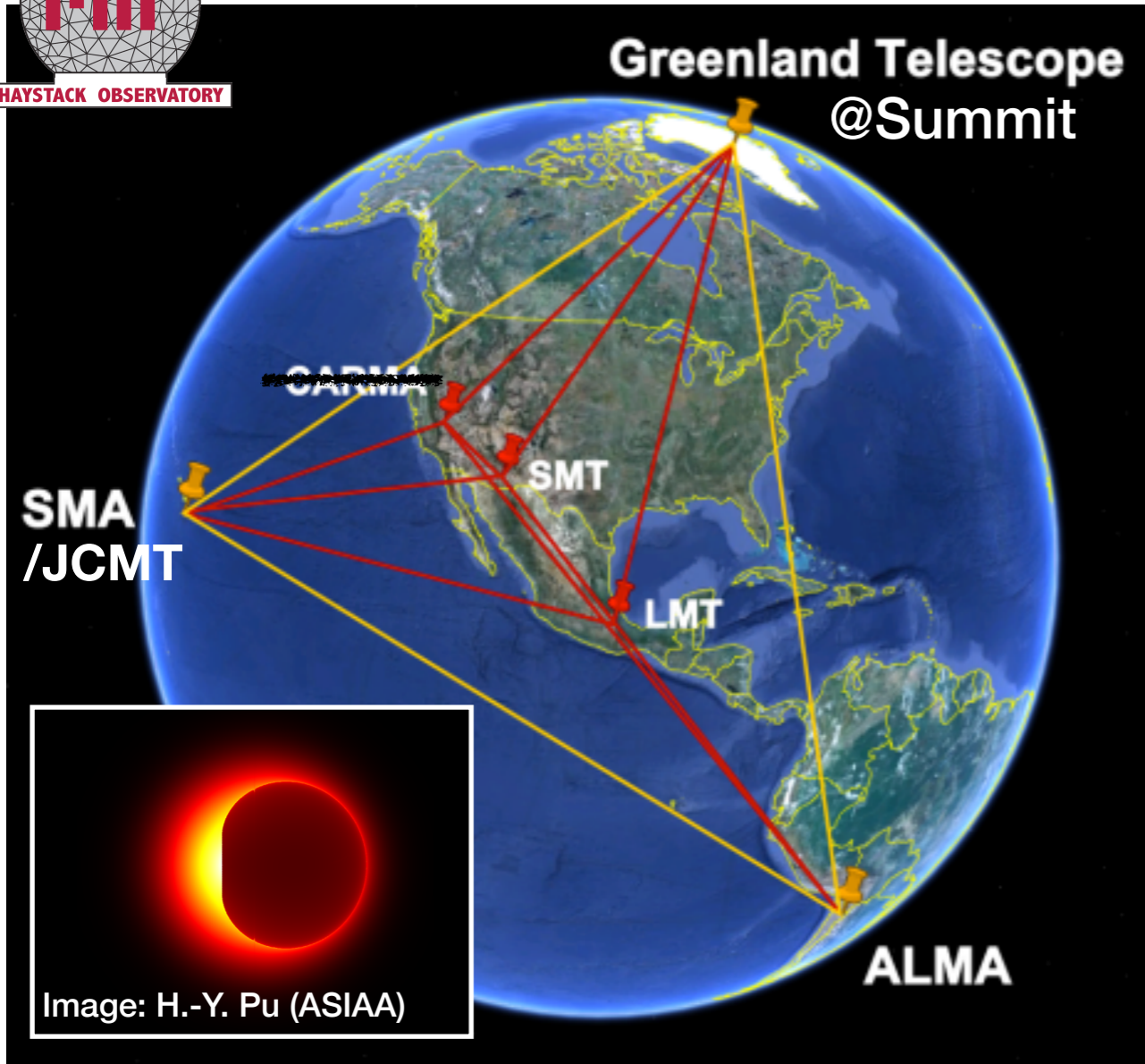
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# M87 (Virgo A; NGC4486)

- The 2nd brightest galaxies in Virgo cluster
- The 1<sup>st</sup> jet discovered (Curtis 1918)
- “*Rosetta Stone*” of AGN jet
  - Nearby:  $\sim 16.7$  Mpc (1 mas  $\sim 125 r_s$ )
  - $M_{\bullet} \sim (3.2-6.6) \times 10^9 M_{\odot}$
  - FR I / Misaligned BL Lac ( $\theta_v \sim 14^{\circ}$ )
    1. 2<sup>nd</sup> largest BH shadow ( $\sim 40 \mu\text{as}$ )
    2. Relativistic outflows ( $\leq 6 c$ ;  $0.99c$ )
    3. VHE TeV emissions (core/HST-1)
    4. AGN feedback (radio mode) in action

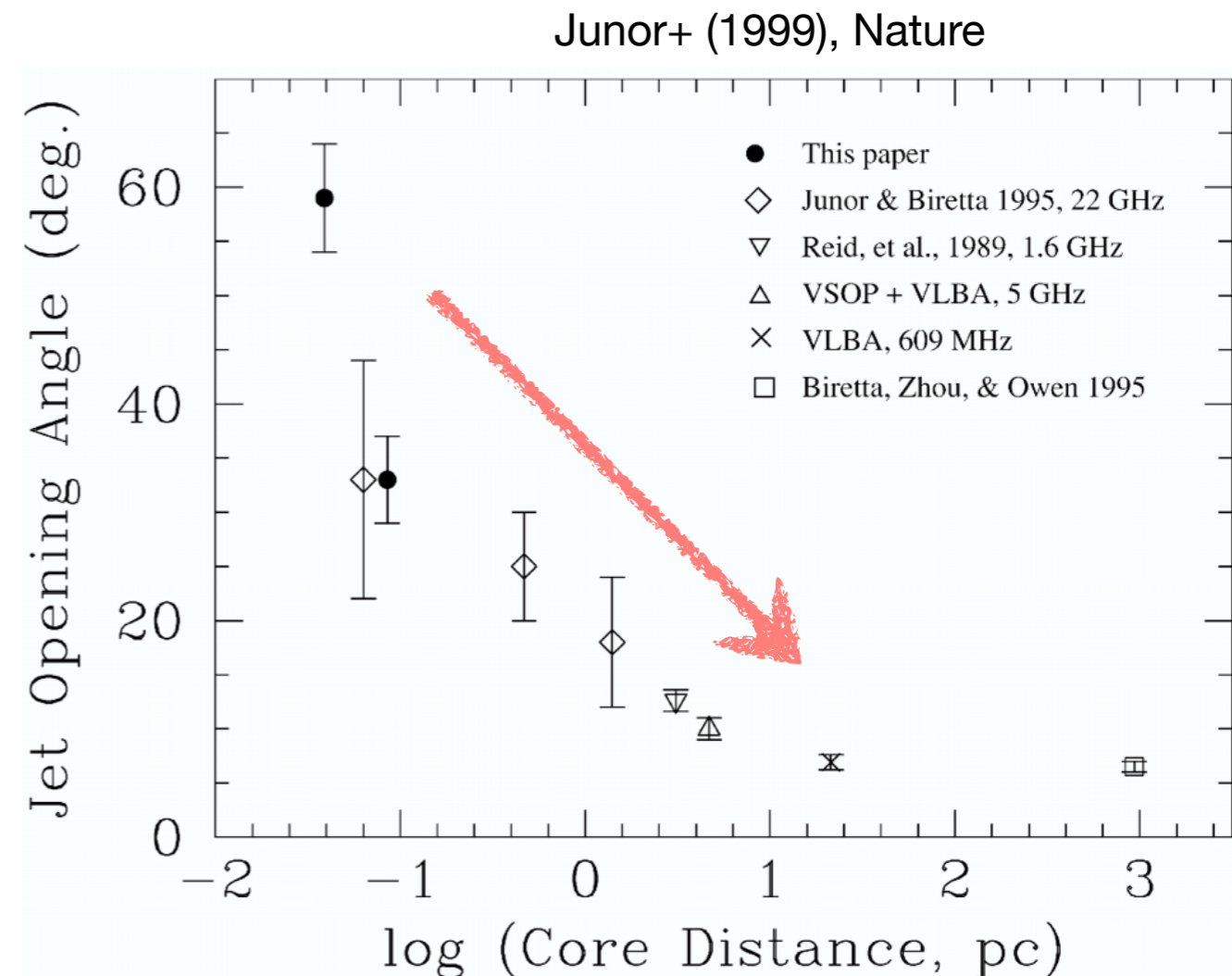
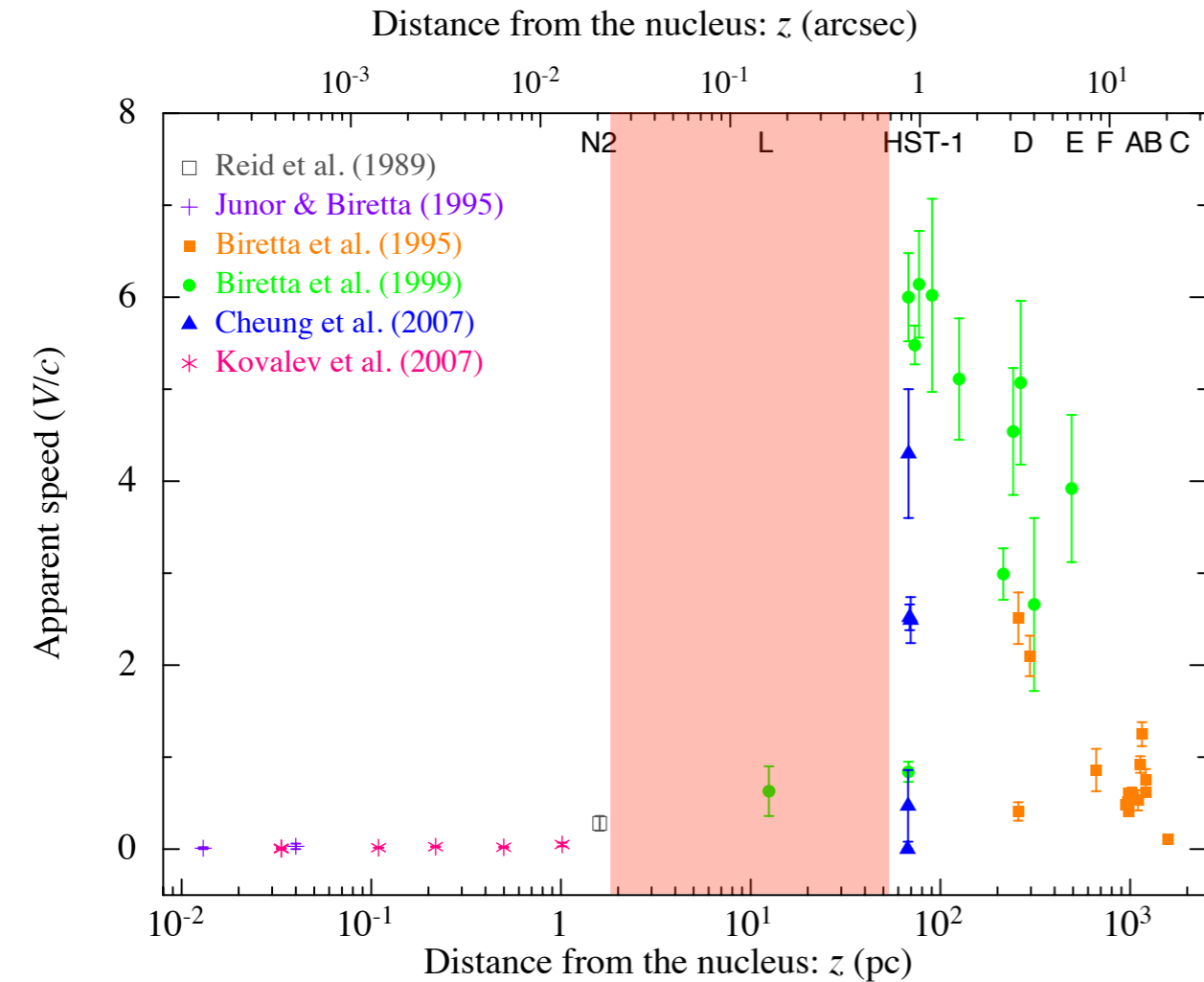


# Greenland Telescope (GLT)



- A baseline 9,000+ km, giving a resolution  $\theta \sim 20 \mu\text{as}$  to image the BH shadow in M87 ( $\sim 2.5 R_s$  w/  $6.6 \times 10^9 M_{\odot}$ )
- Shipping the GLT to Thule (2016- ) for VLBI commissioning (86/230GHz)

# Puzzle Has Remained Unsolved During decades



**Q. What is a large gap?**

**Q. Collimation is real (i.e. the jet is cylindrical or not)?**

**No clear view of jet acceleration/collimation even in the most studied AGN source...**

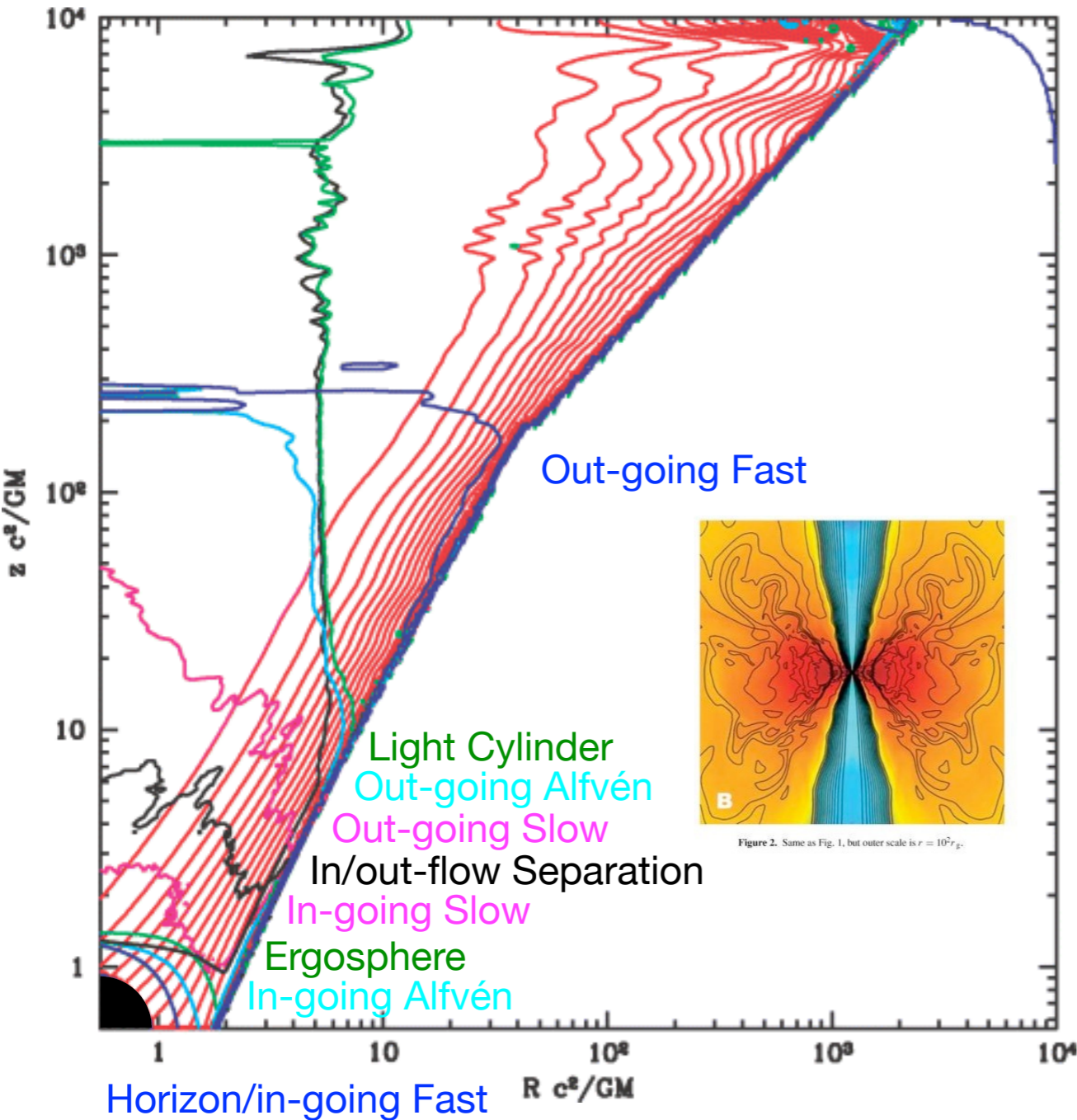
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# GRMHD (1st ever) Steady Inflow/Outflow Solutions for a Parabolic Streamline

GRMHD Simulation ( $a/M=0.9375$ )

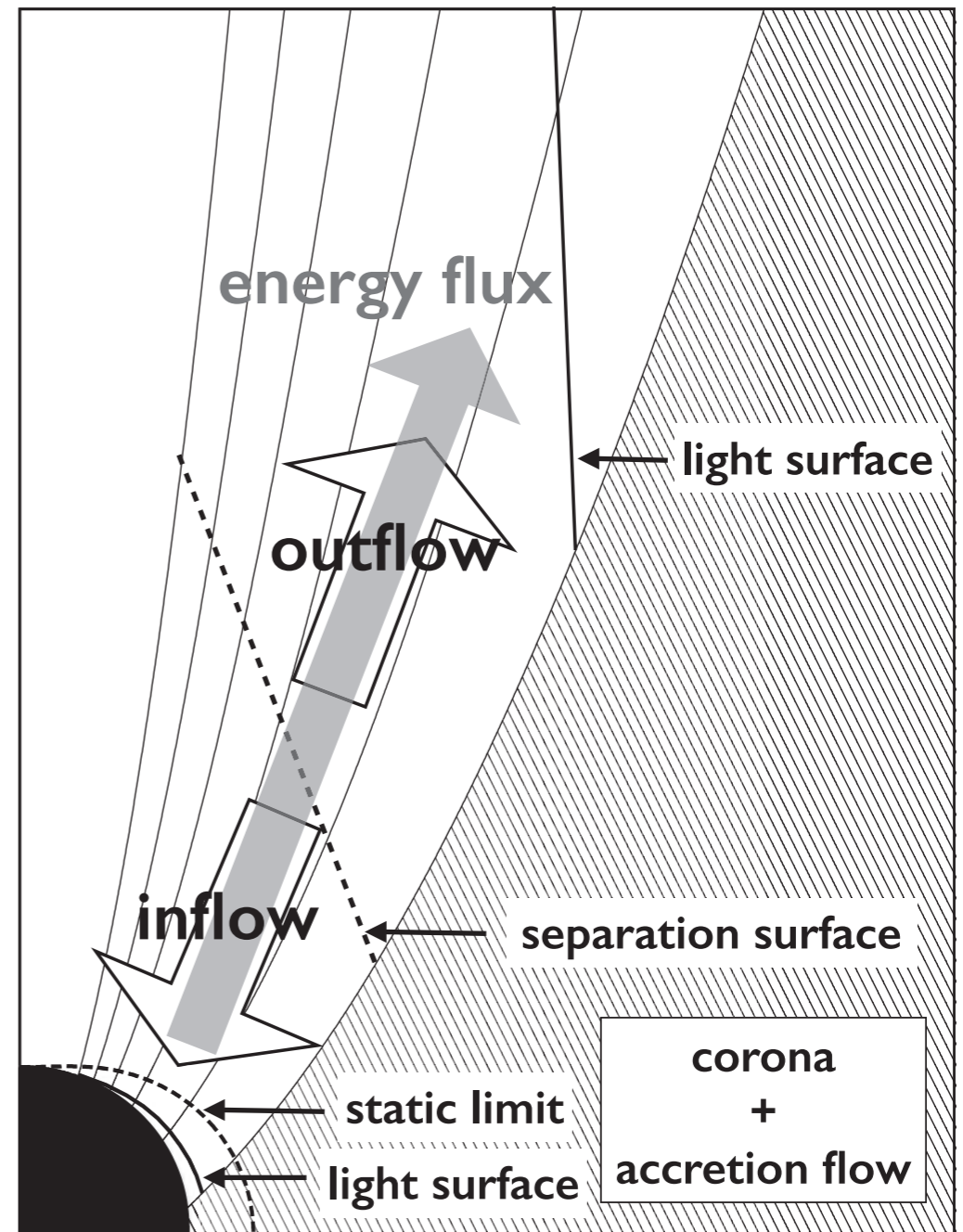
$B_p$  field lines and characteristic surfaces



McKinney (2006)

Steady GRMHD (cold) solution ( $a/M=0.9375$ )

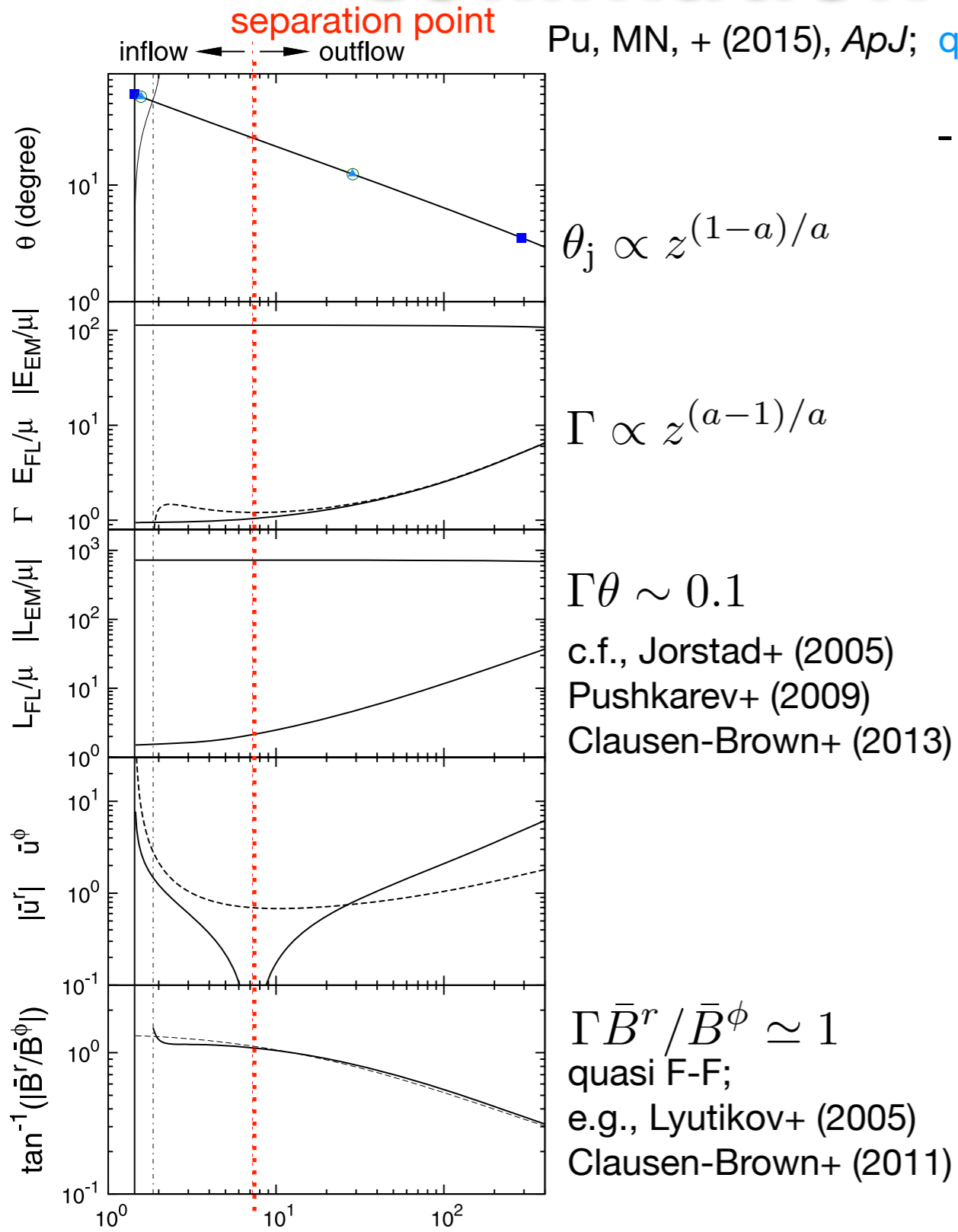
$B_p$  field: parabolic solution (Blandford & Znajek 1977)  
+ perturbation (Beskin & Nokhrina 2006)



Pu, MN, + (2015), *ApJ*



# Fate of GRMHD Jets: How Acceleration/Collimation is Terminated?



Pu, MN, + (2015), *ApJ*; qualitatively consistent with McKinney (2006)

- Capability of cold RMHD jet acceleration can be measured by the total (matter + Poynting)-to-matter energy flux ratio:

$$\frac{\mu}{\gamma} = 1 + \sigma$$

$\sigma$  : Poynting-to-matter energy flux ratio

$$\gamma_\infty \simeq \mu (\sigma_\infty \simeq 0)$$

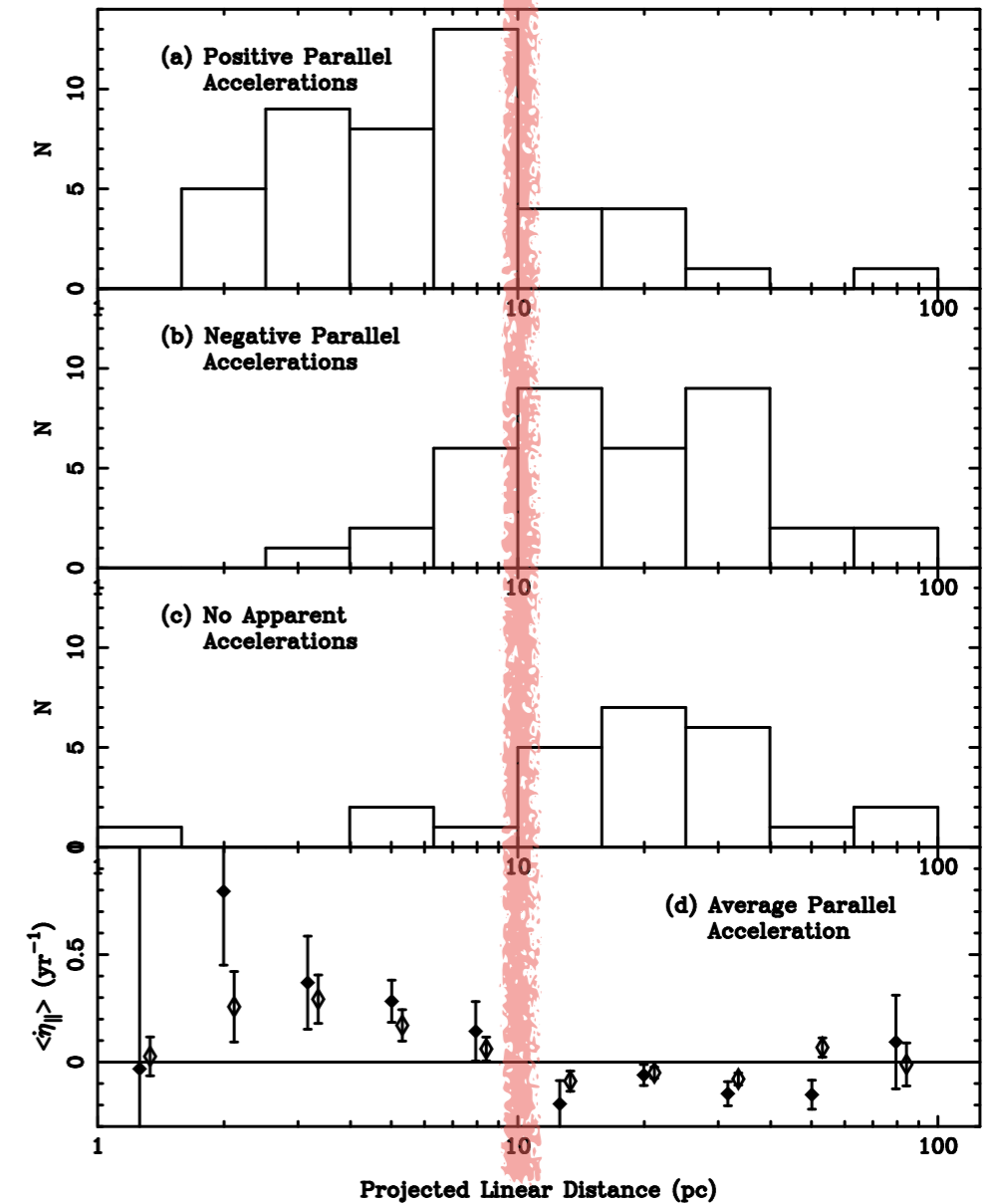
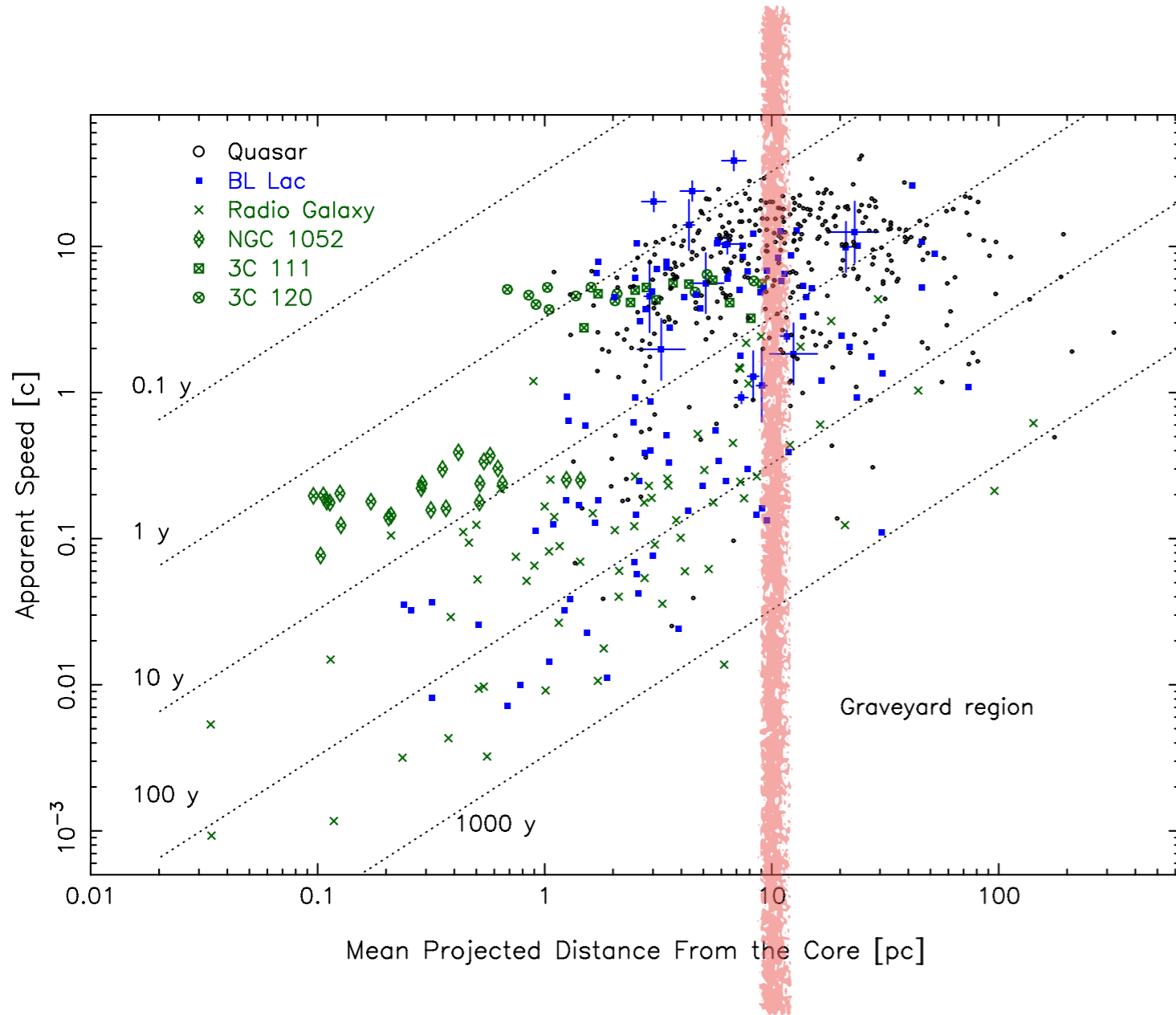
$$\mu \sim 10^{1-3}$$

(Beskin 2010; Nokhrina+ 2015)

$\mu \simeq 10$  would be  
 $\sigma_\infty \simeq 0$  norm?

$r$  ( $c^2/GM$ ) along a streamline that threads the EH at mid-latitude (similar to McKinney 2006)

# Transition found in MOJAVE AGNs

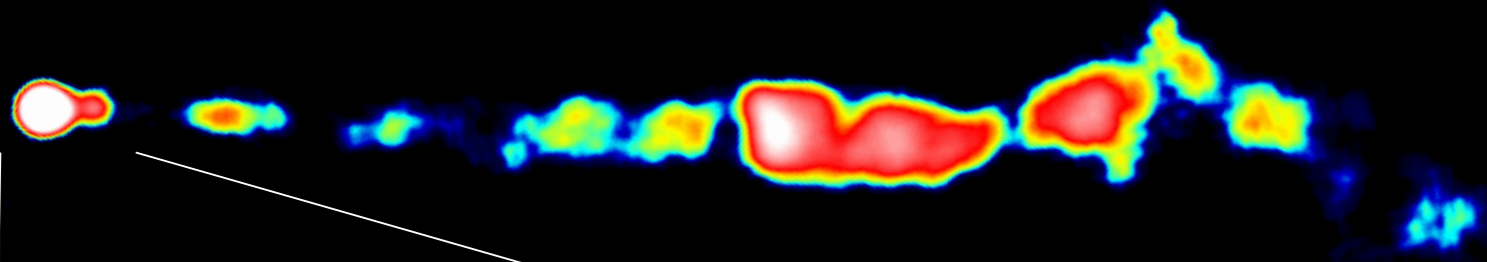


Lister+ (2013) (*see also Kellermann 2004; a tendency can be seen*)

Homan+ (2015)

- A transition from positive to negative acceleration seems to locate at  $\sim 10$  pc (Lister+ 2013; Homan+ 2015)  $\Rightarrow \sim 100$  pc or longer in de-projection
- Non-ballistic flows are strongest at  $< 10$  pc; jets are expanding less rapidly than  $z \propto r$ , so that jets is still being collimated (Homan+ 2014; also Pushkarev & Kovalev 2012 w/  $T_b$  analysis)

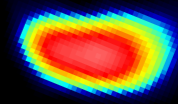
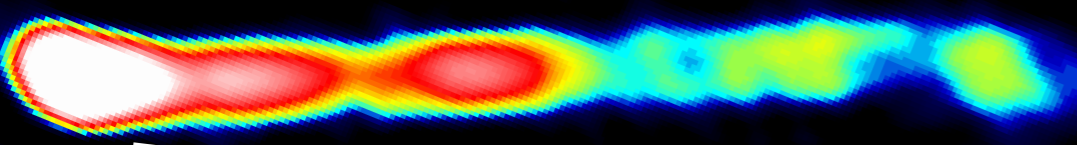
10 arcseconds



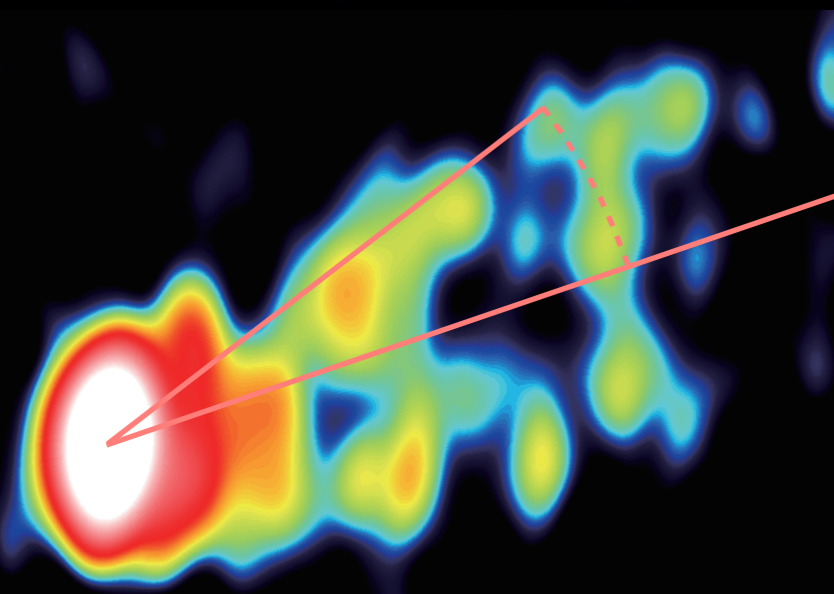
MERLIN 1.6 GHz

EVN 1.6 GHz

100 milliarcseconds



1 millarcsecond

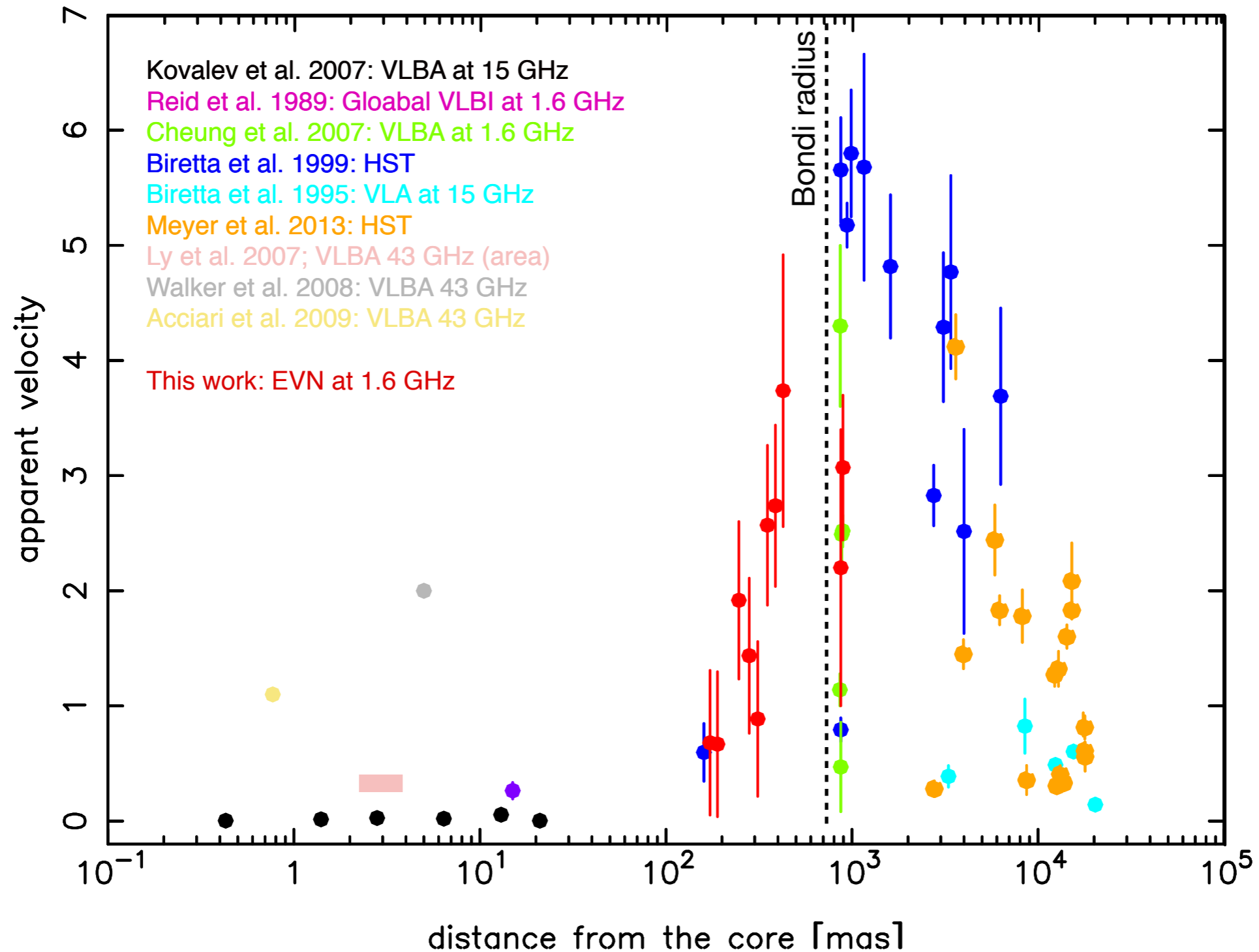


$$\theta_j \equiv \tan^{-1}(r/z)$$

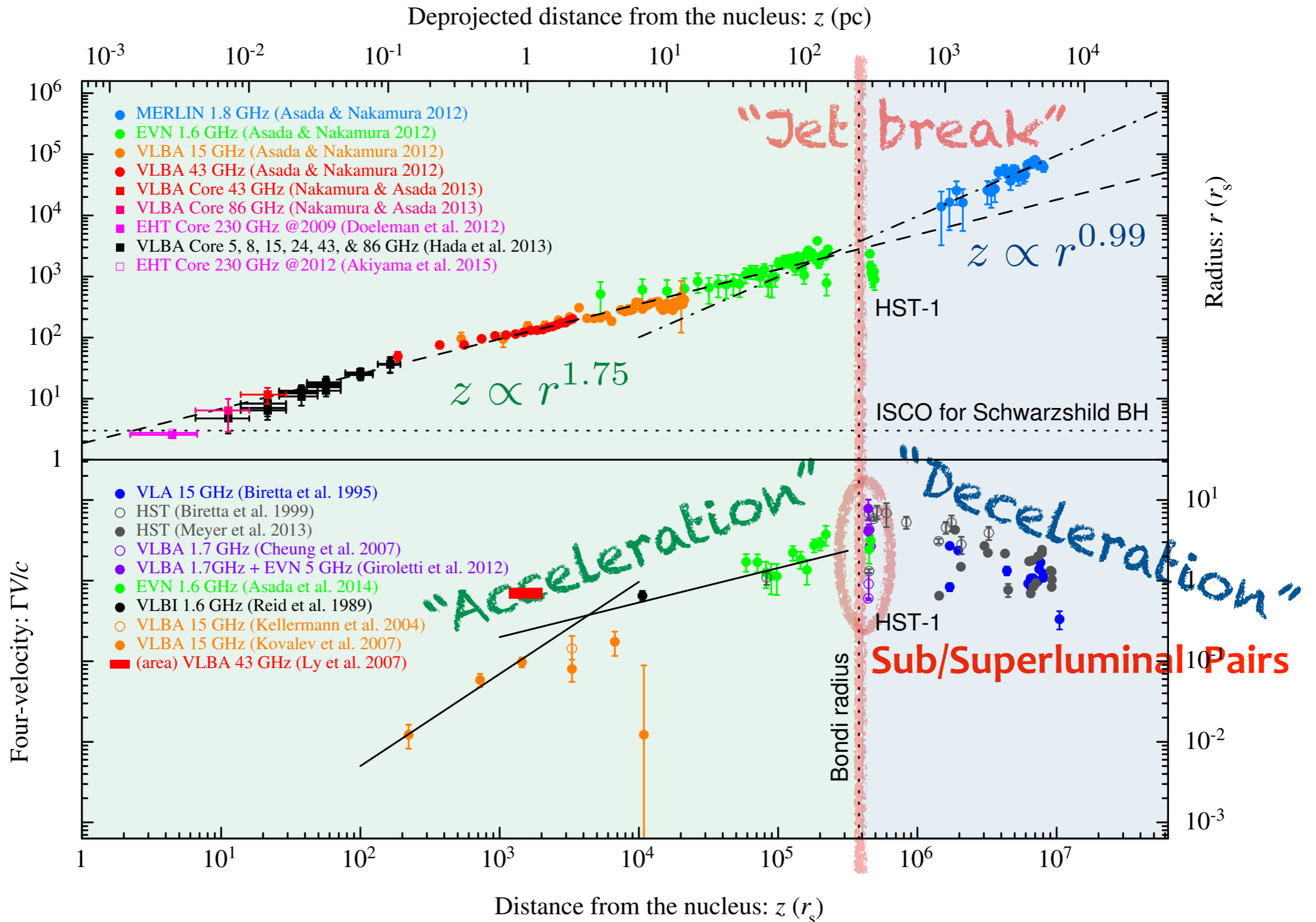
VLBA 43 GHz

Size of Black Hole Shadow

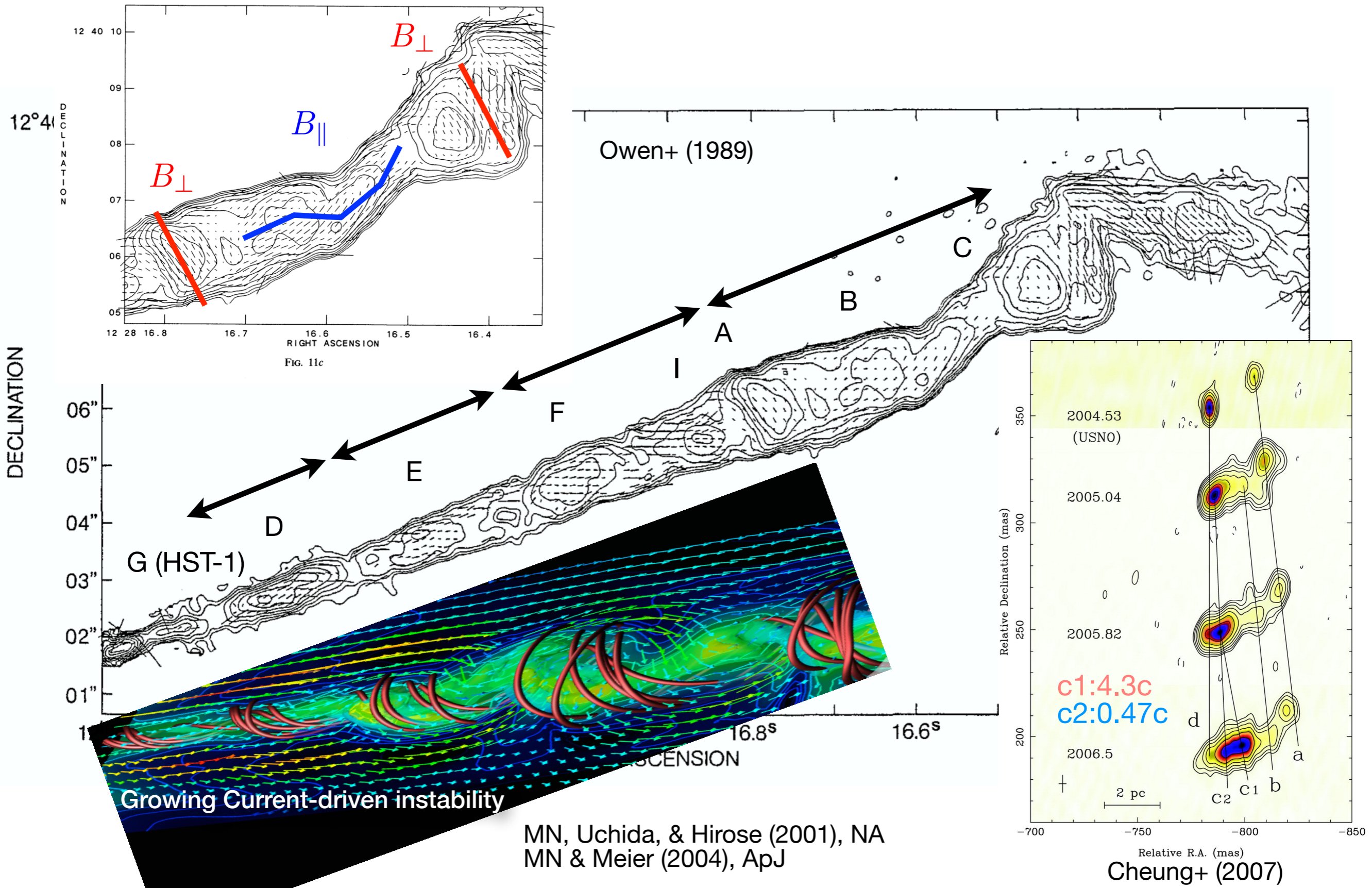
# A Missing Link Has Been Filled



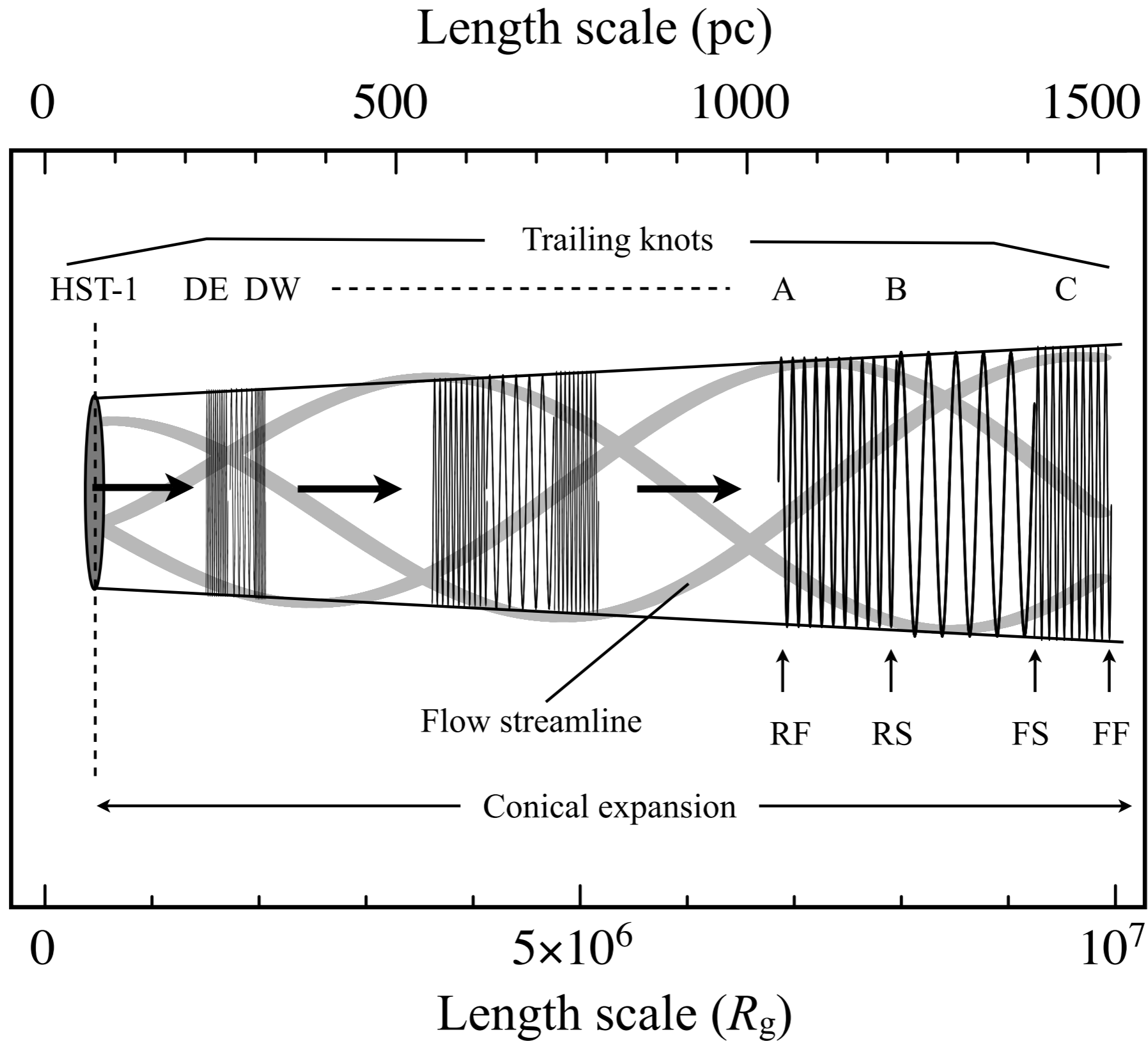
# Jet Structure and Dynamics in M87



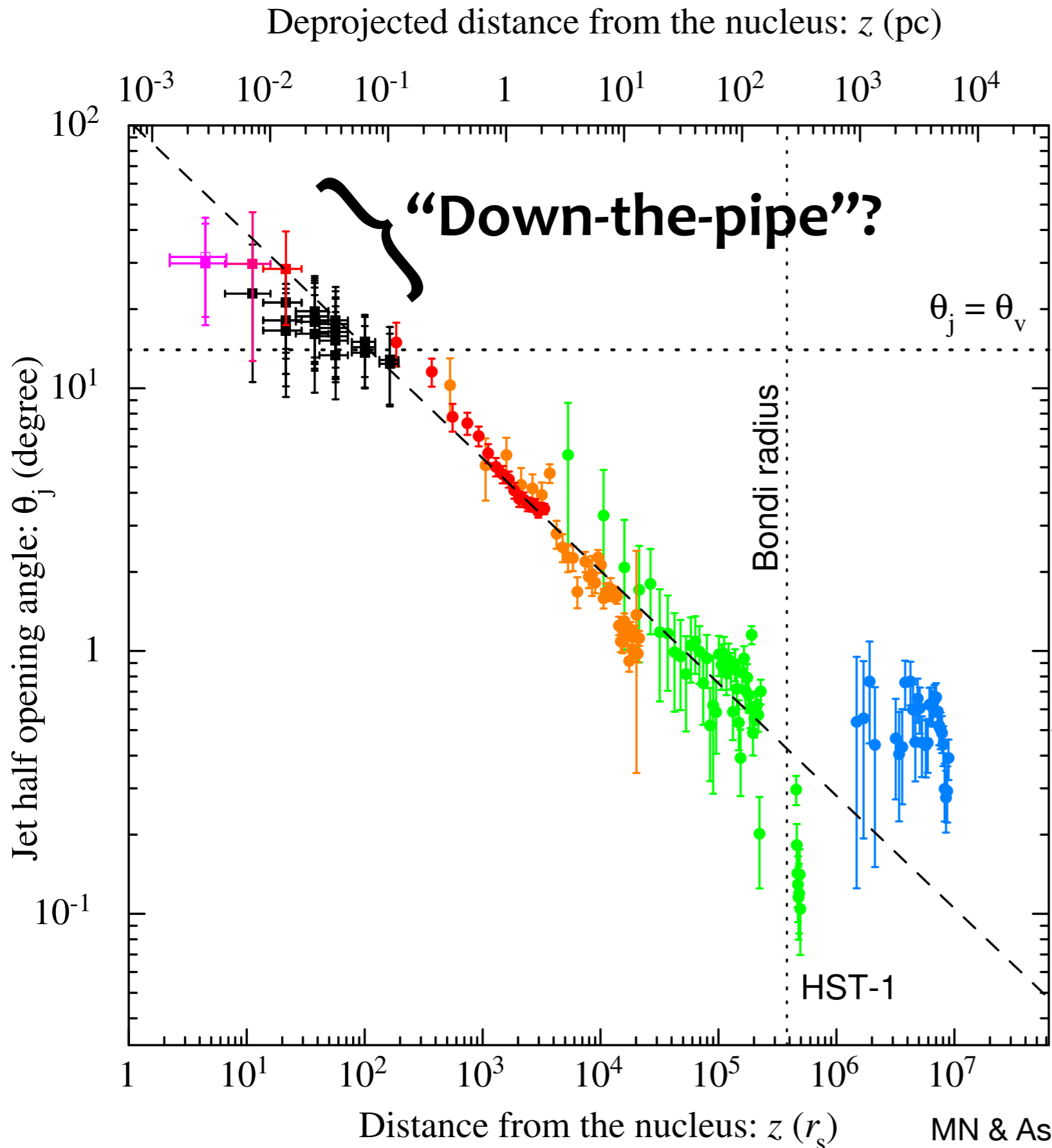
# Trails of Components?



# Trails of MHD Shocks?



# Hints by Jet Opening Angle



$$\Gamma \approx \frac{a}{\sqrt{a-1}} \frac{z}{r} \propto z^{(a-1)/a}$$

(e.g., Komissarov+ 2009)

$$\theta_j \approx \frac{r}{z} \propto z^{(1-a)/a}$$

$$\Gamma \theta_j \sim 0.1$$

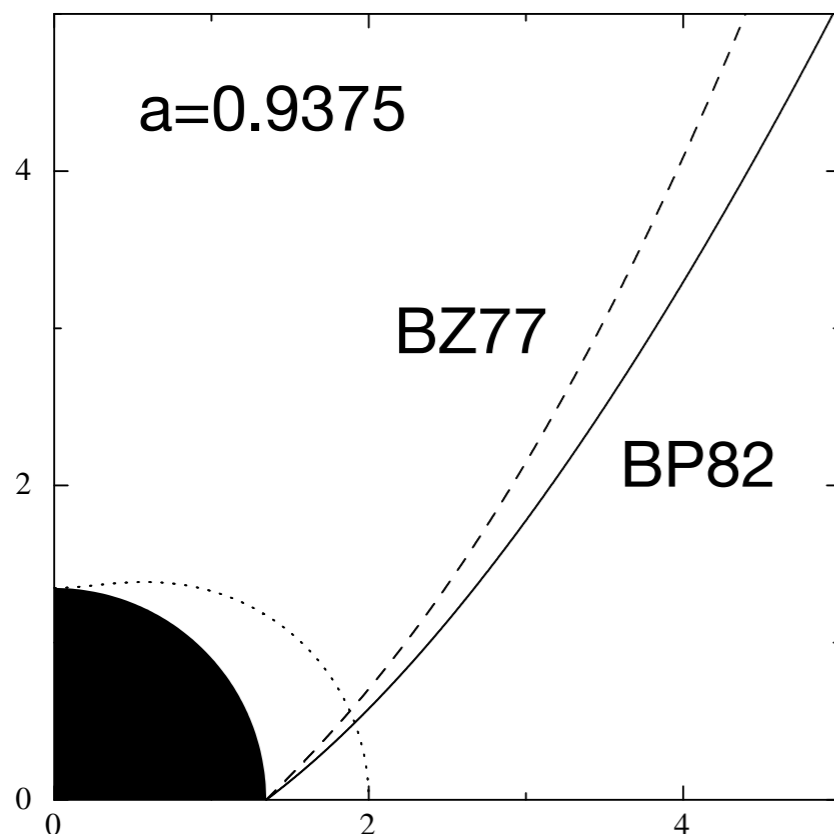
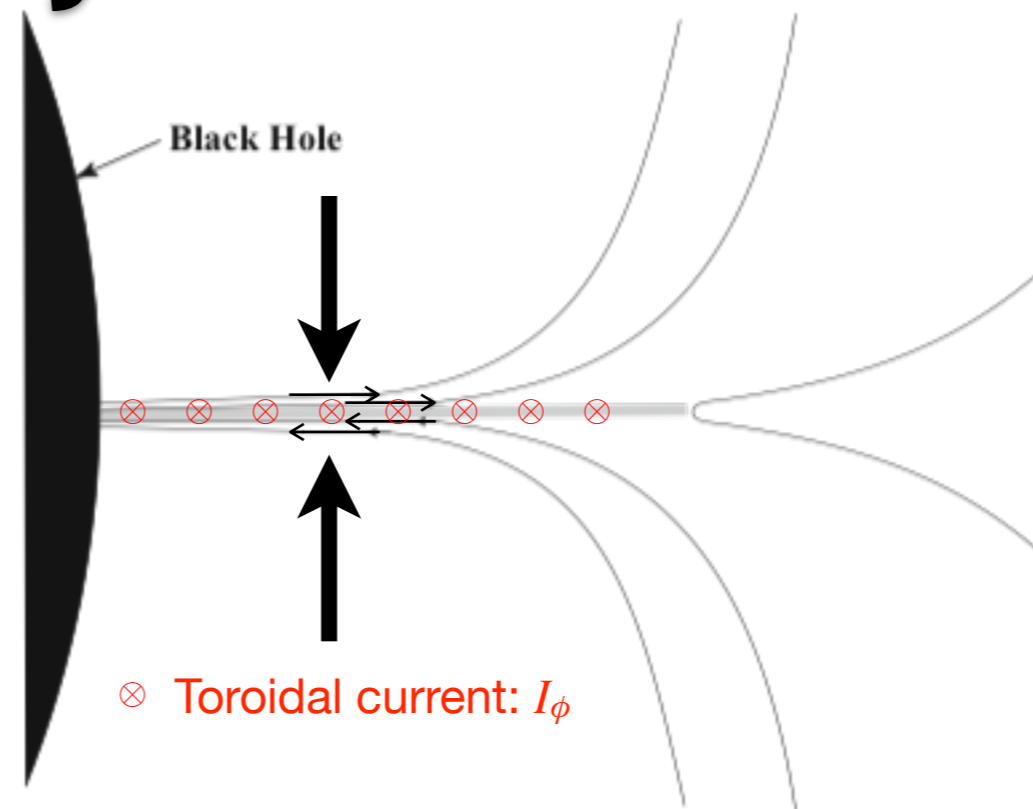
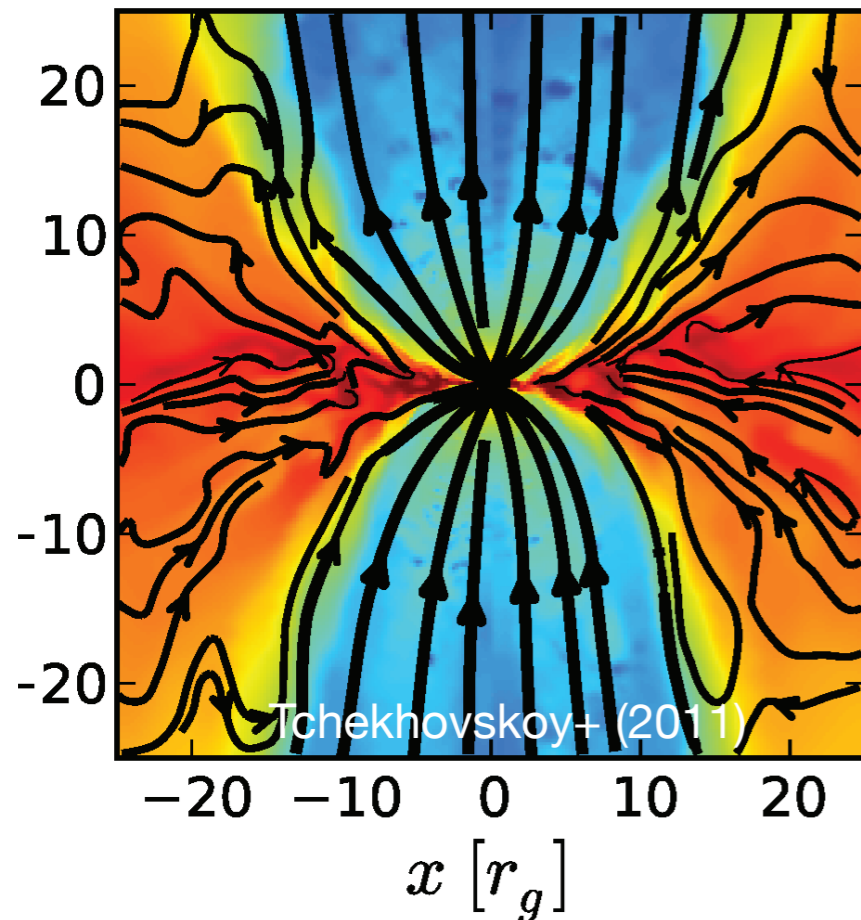
(e.g., Jorstad+ 2005; Pushkarev 2009; Clausen-Brown+ 2013)

$$\Gamma \sim 11.5$$

Quad RMHD shock model for explaining super/sub-luminal pair at HST-1 (Biretta+ 1999) needs this underlying flow (MN & Meier 2014), while observed superluminal motions are  $\lesssim \Gamma \sim 1/\theta_v$  in the upstream of HST-1 (Asada, MN+ 2014) ... **missing a fast spin component?**



# Outer Boundary of GRMHD Jets



- A power-law dependence of the current density on the equatorial plane (McKinney & Narayan 2007):

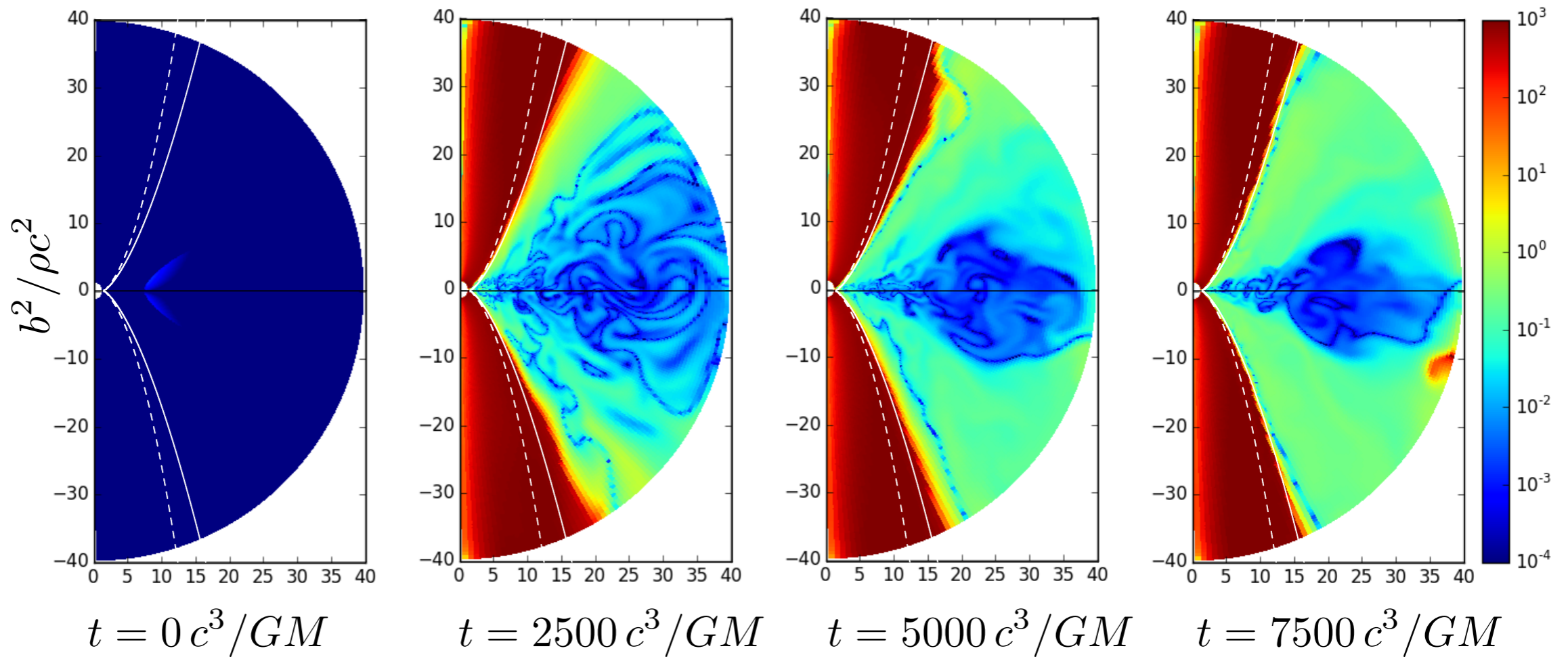
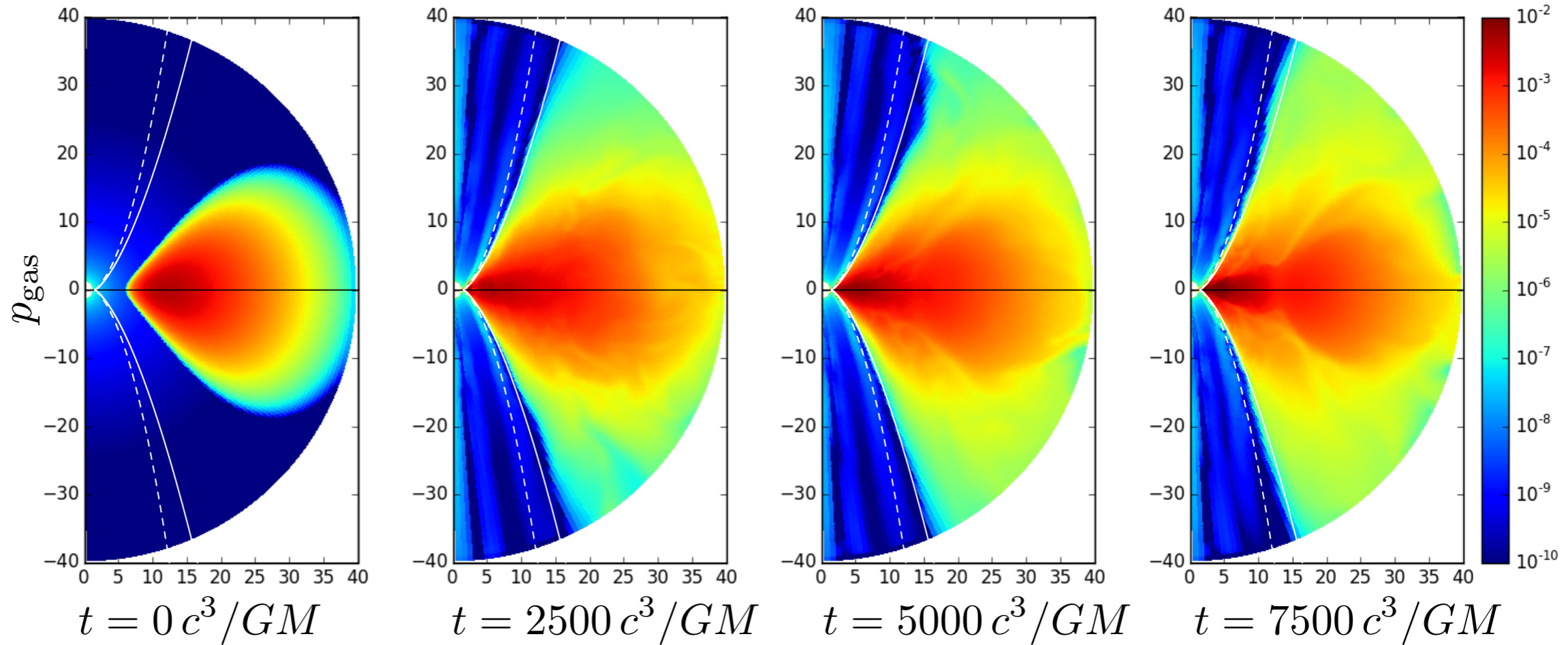
$$\frac{dI_\phi}{dr} \propto \frac{1}{r^{2-\nu}}$$

$\nu = 1$  (Parabolic, BZ77)  
 $\nu = 3/4$  (Blandford & Payne 1982)  
 $\nu = 0$  (split-monopole)

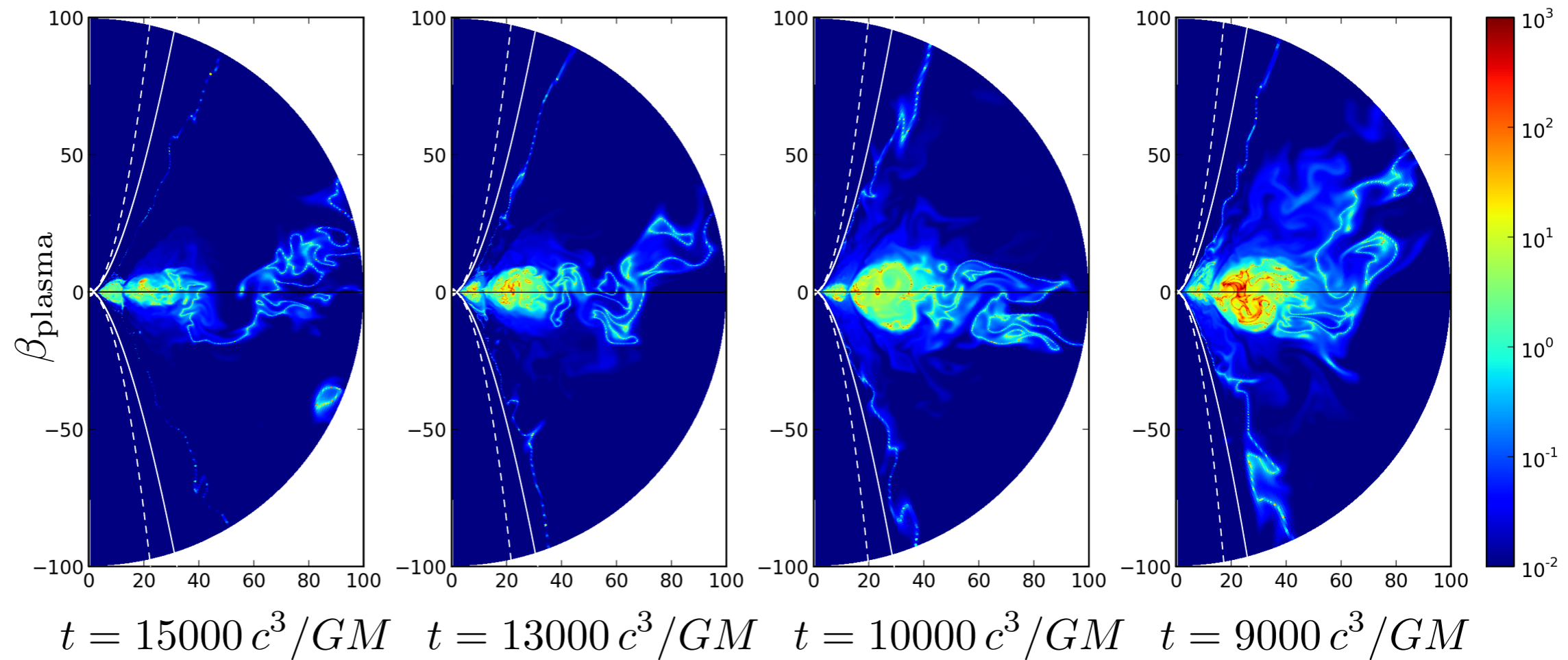
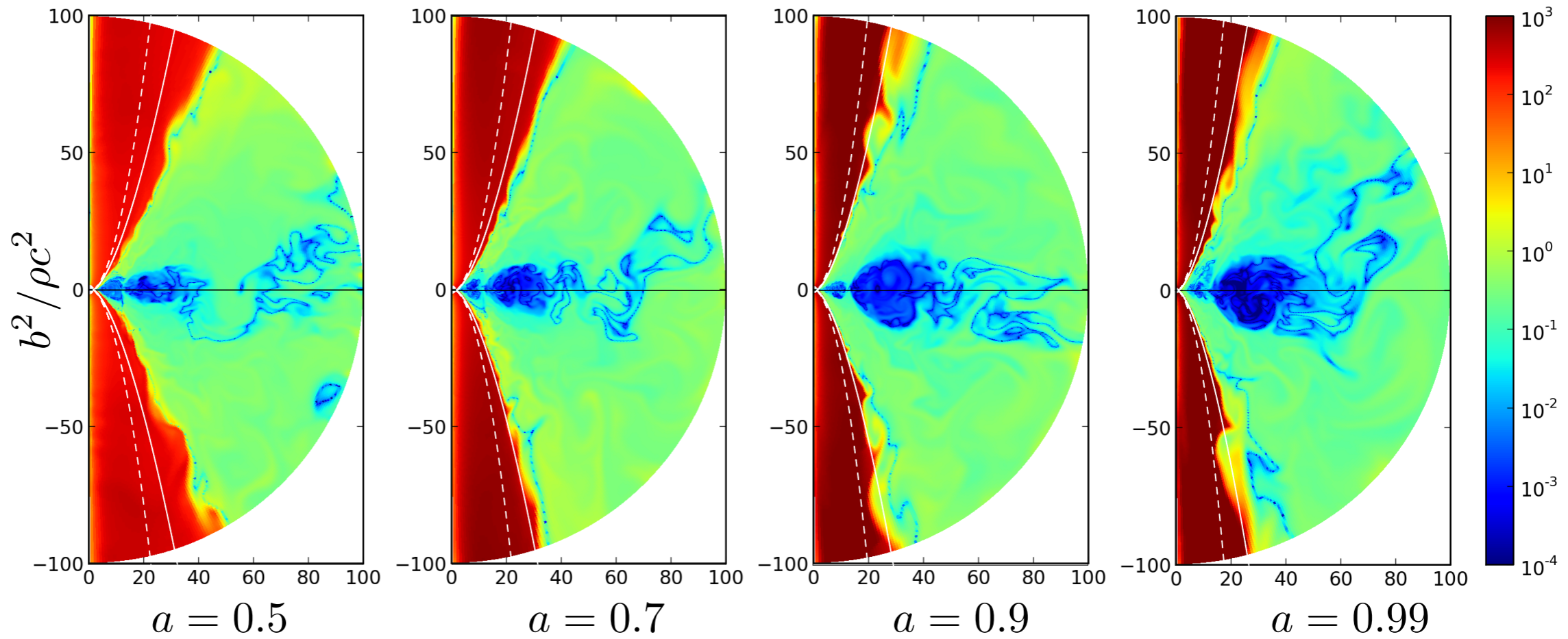
- GRMHD simulated jet agrees well with the force-free field solution for a *thin* disc with an  $r^{5/4}$  (i.e., BP82)
- Strong BH  $\mathbf{B}$ -field squeeze the accretion flow vertically down to  $h/r \sim 0.05$  near the EH from  $\sim (0.3 - 1)$  at large distances (Tchekhovskoy 2015)

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(Gammie+ 2003;  
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256<sup>2</sup> grids

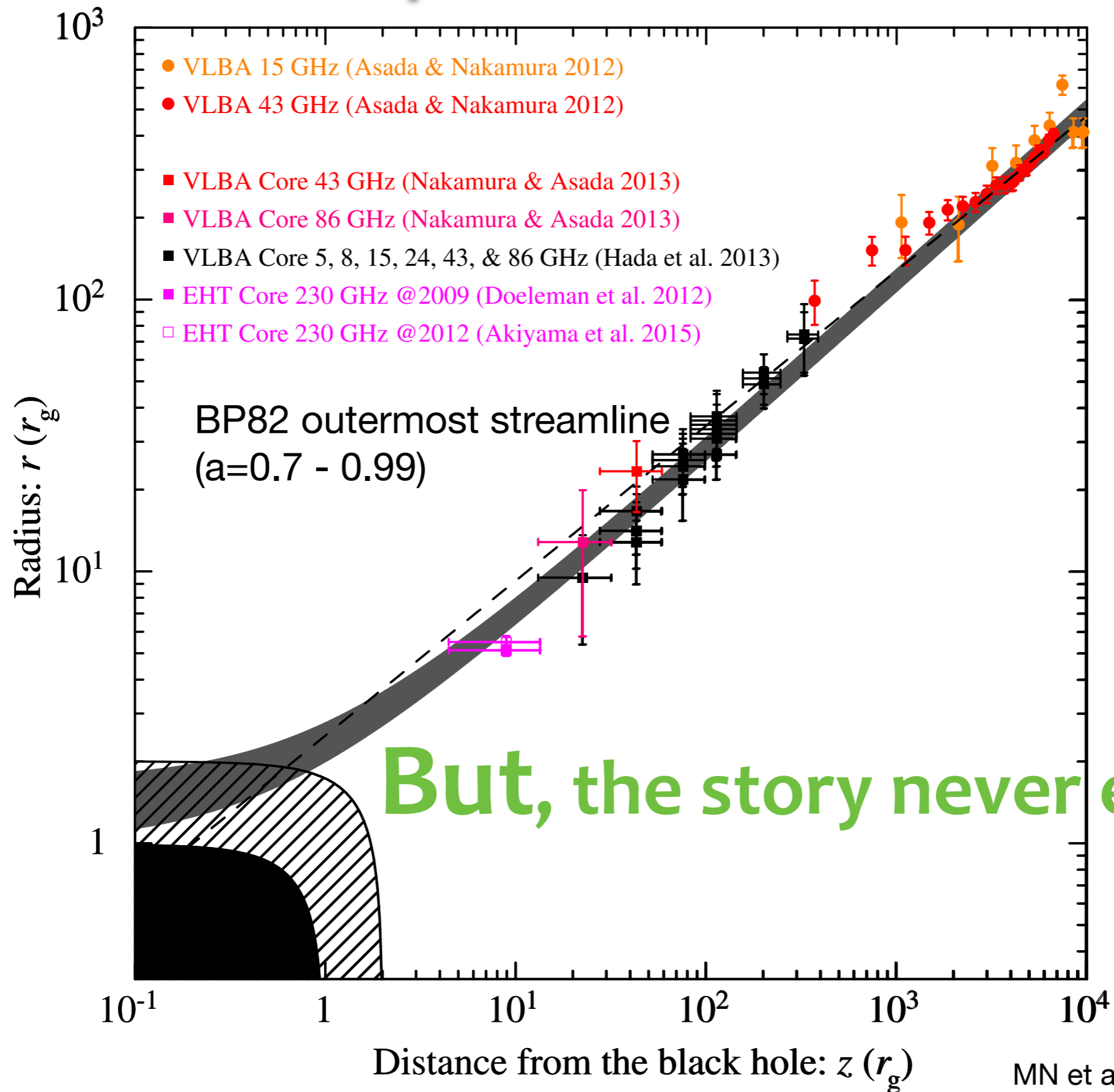
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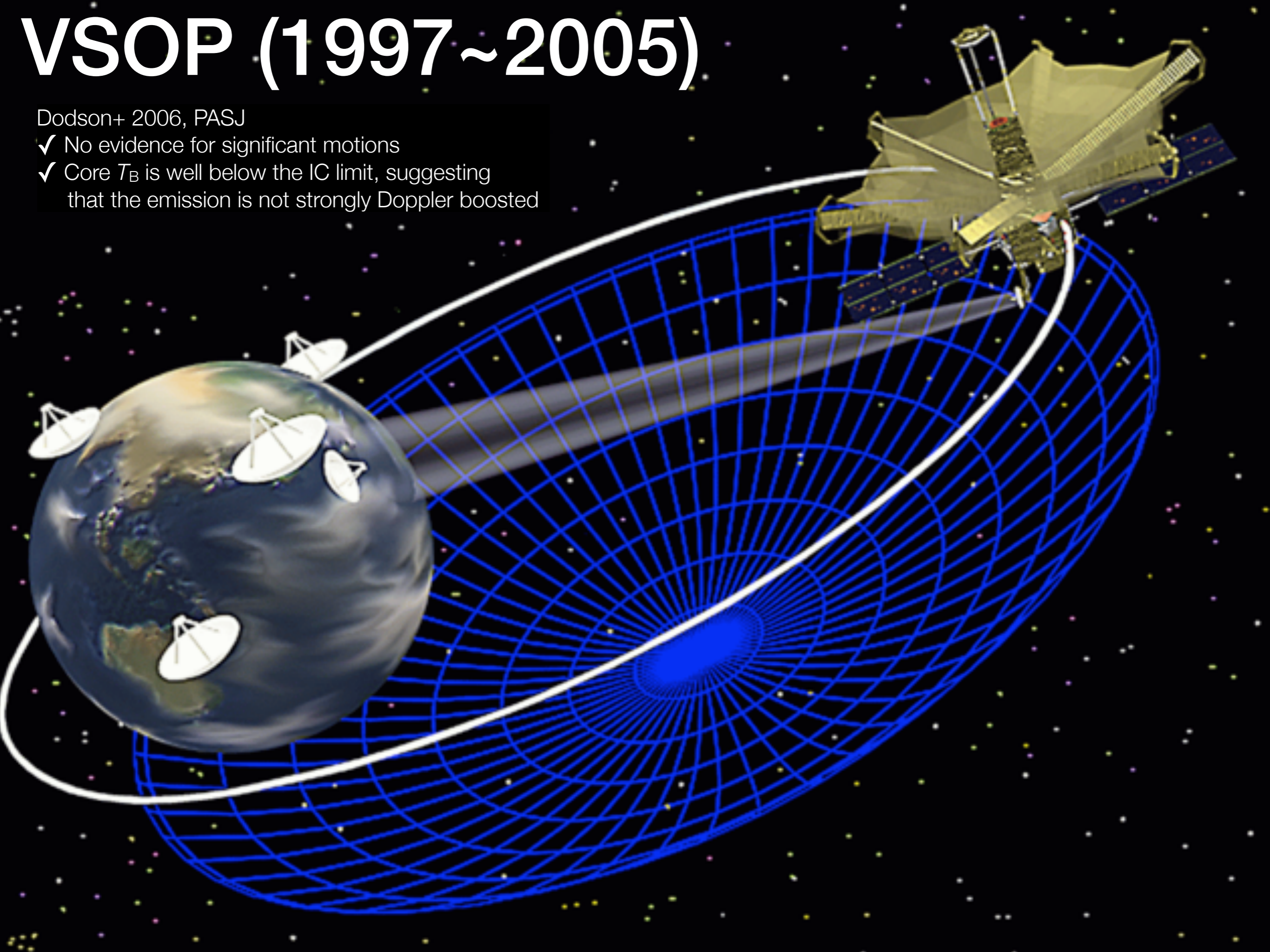
# Comparison w/ Observations in M87



# VSOP (1997~2005)

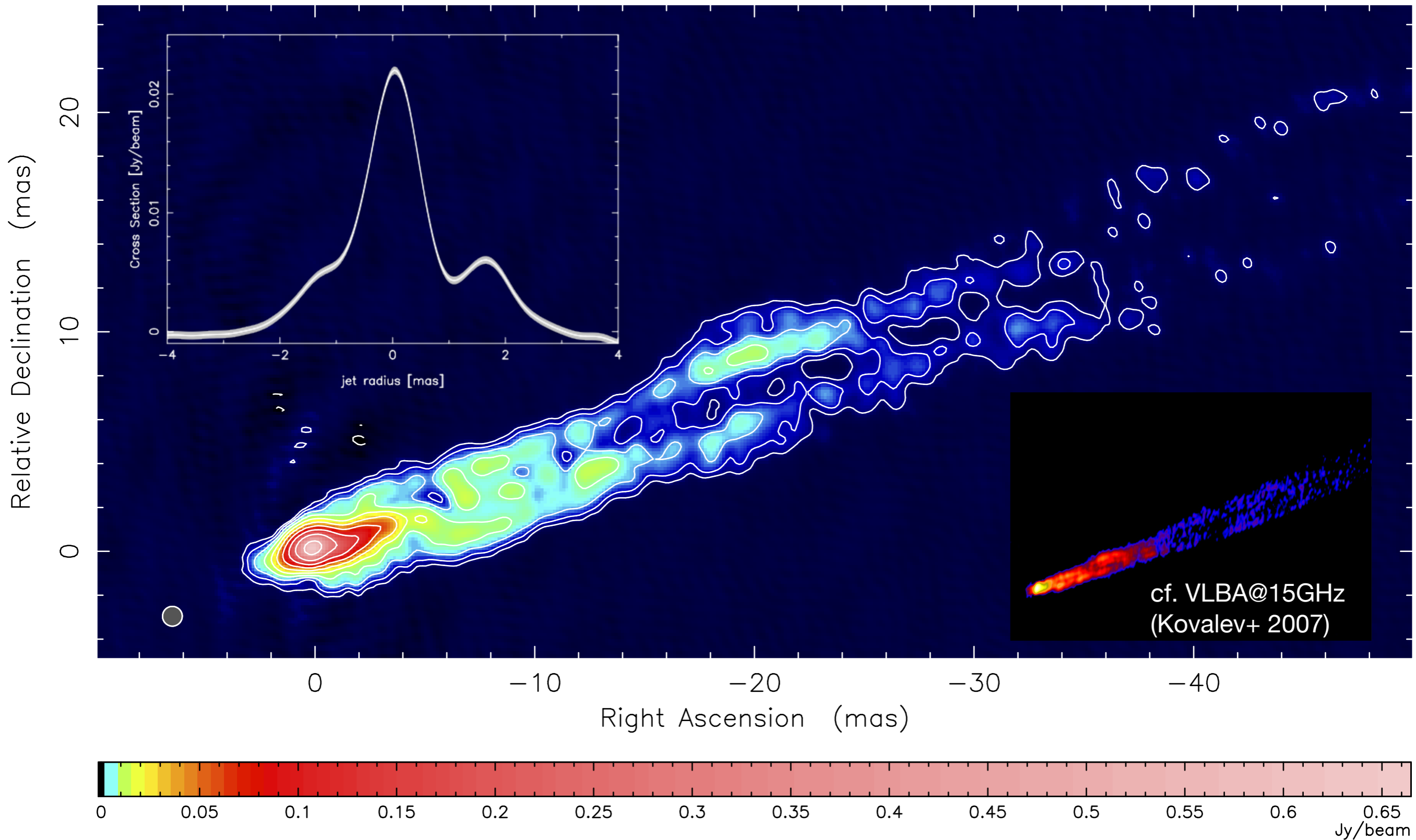
Dodson+ 2006, PASJ

- ✓ No evidence for significant motions
- ✓ Core  $T_B$  is well below the IC limit, suggesting that the emission is not strongly Doppler boosted



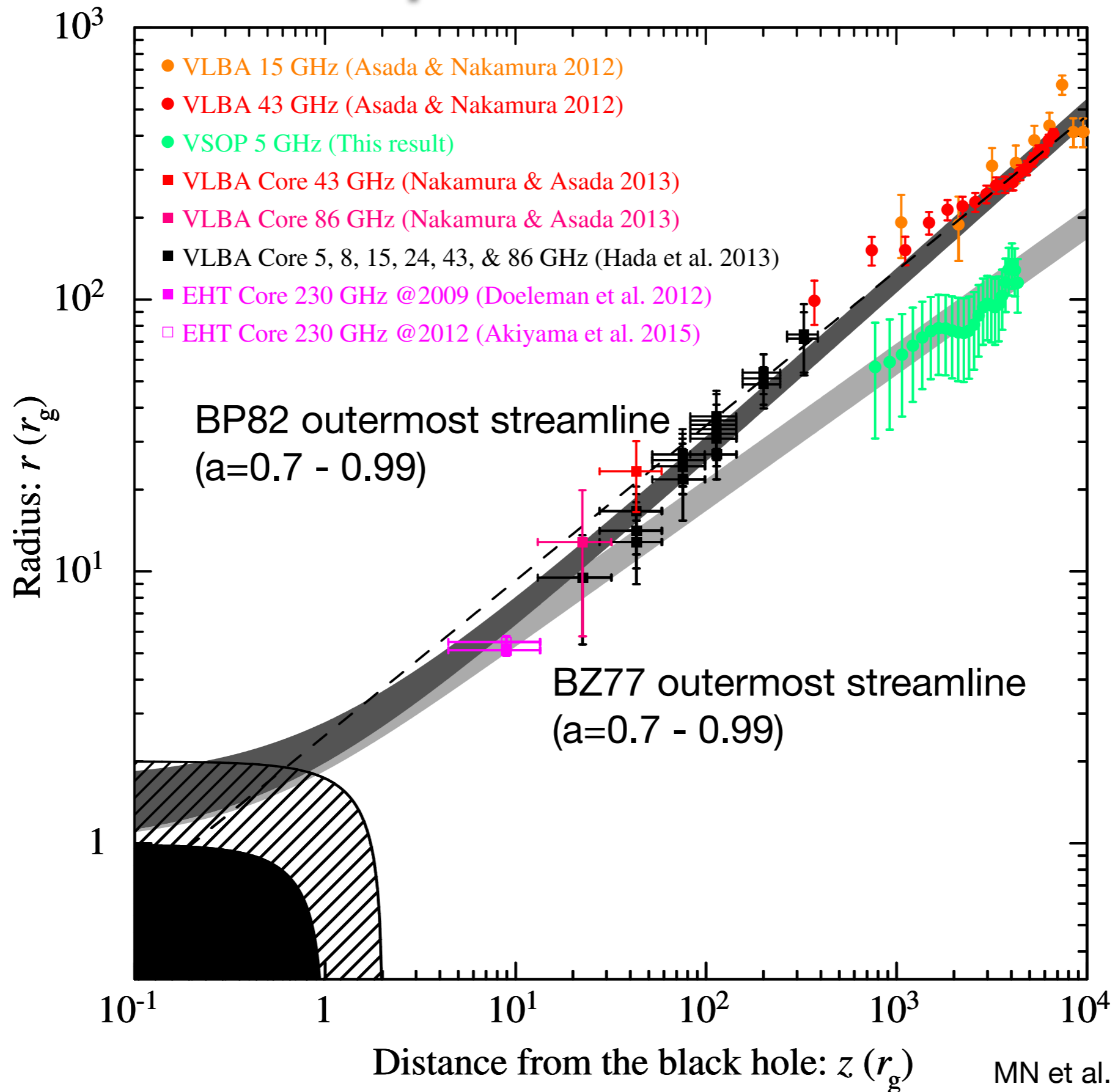
# Spine-Sheath Resolved by Space-VLBI

J1230+12 at 4.866 GHz 2000 Mar 23



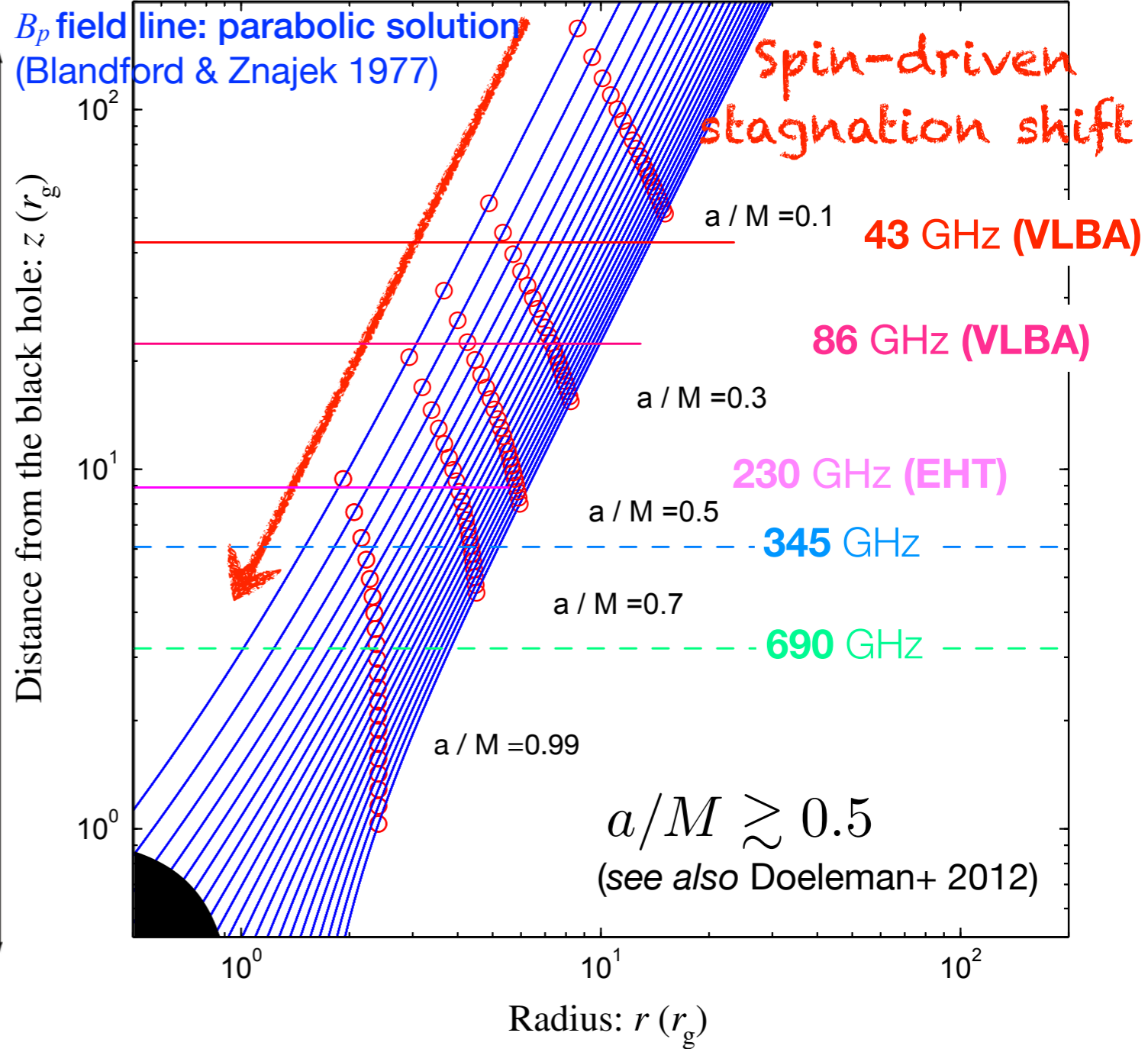
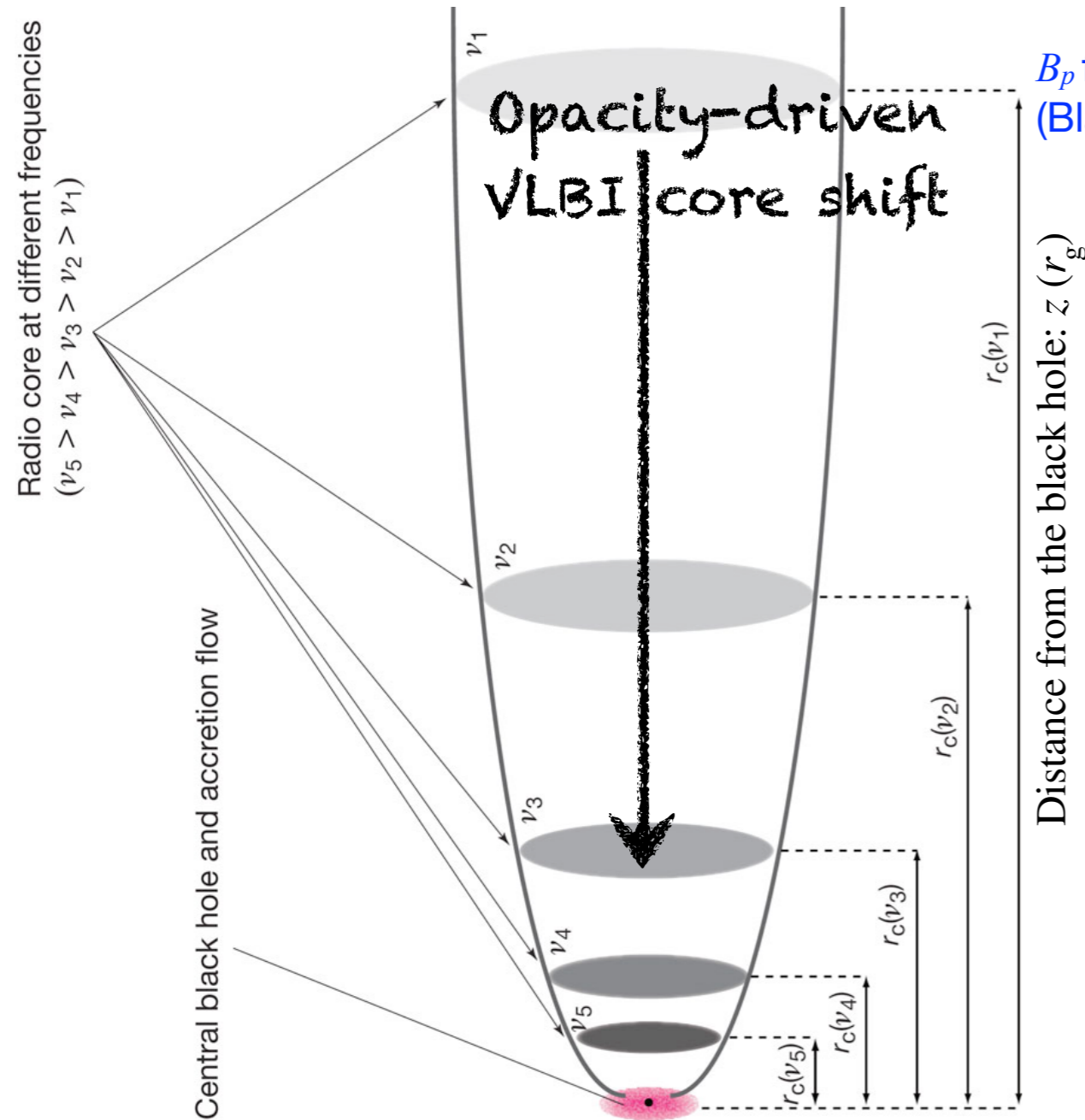
Asada et al., *in prep.*

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# A Constraint of BH Spin w/ BZ77 & BK79

$M_{\bullet} = 6.6 \times 10^9 M_{\odot}$  (Gebhardt+ 2011)



Blandford & Königl (1979); Hada+ (2011)

MN & Pu, *in prep.*

## The inflow/outflow stagnation surface:

- A origin of the jet, depending on the black hole spin (MN & Pu, *in prep.*)
- A natural site of pair formation/particle acceleration? (Broderick & Tchekhovskoy 2015)

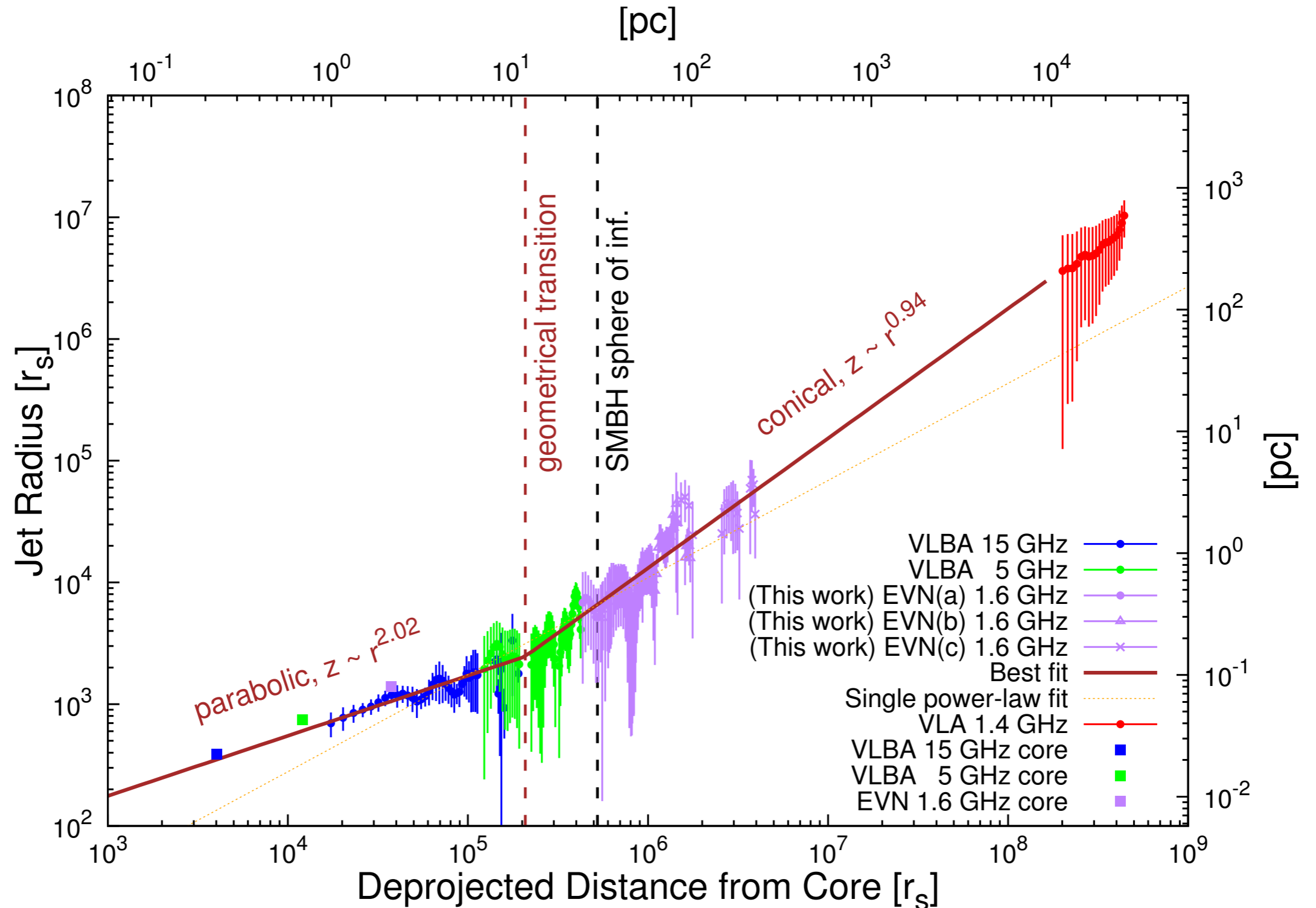


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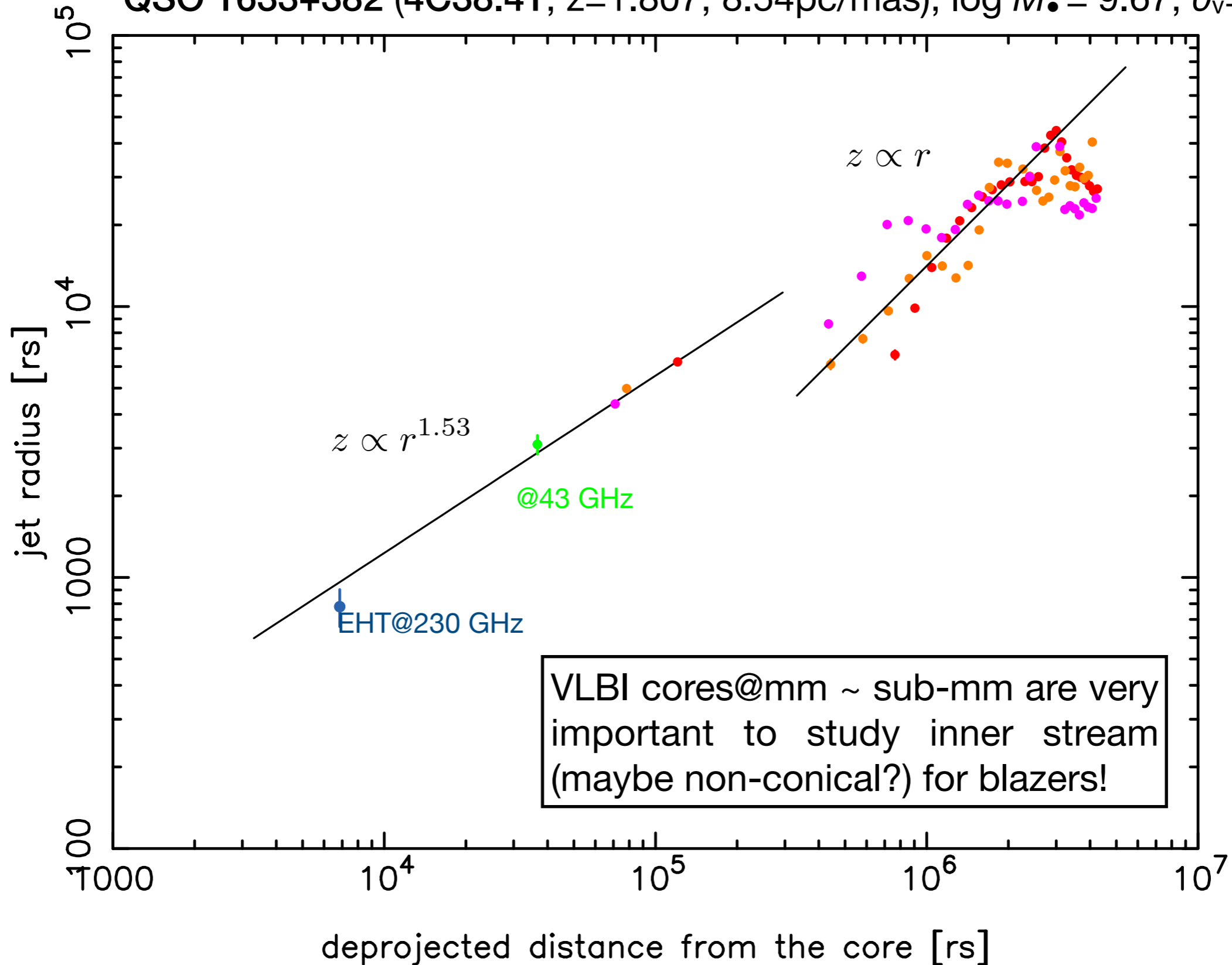
# Case 2: FRI RG

NGC 6251 ( $0.5 \text{ pc/mas} = 8700 r_s$ ),  $\log M_\bullet = 8.78$ ,  $\theta_v = 19^\circ$



# Case 3: Blazar

QSO 1633+382 (4C38.41,  $z=1.807$ ; 8.54pc/mas),  $\log M_{\bullet} = 9.67$ ,  $\theta_v=2^{\circ}.6$



# Summary

- M87: The best observable for examining the AGN jet with the highest angular resolution (1 mas  $\sim 125 r_s$ )
    1. Sub-mm VLBI will reveal the origin of the jet in M87 *as well as the jet inner structure for blazars (non-BK79?)*
    2. VSOP obs. reveals the jet spine (BZ77), while the jet sheath may be the outermost streamline (BP82) from BH
    3. Jet acceleration/collimation takes place in the parabolic stream up to  $\sim 10^5 r_s$  (inside the sphere of BH influence)
    4. We propose that the “*Jet break*” (from parabolic to conical) may be norm (see *also*, Potter’s talk) in AGNs
- ⇒ MHD jet paradigm in a realistic galactic environment will be examined in the coming years