



# propagation of relativistic jets

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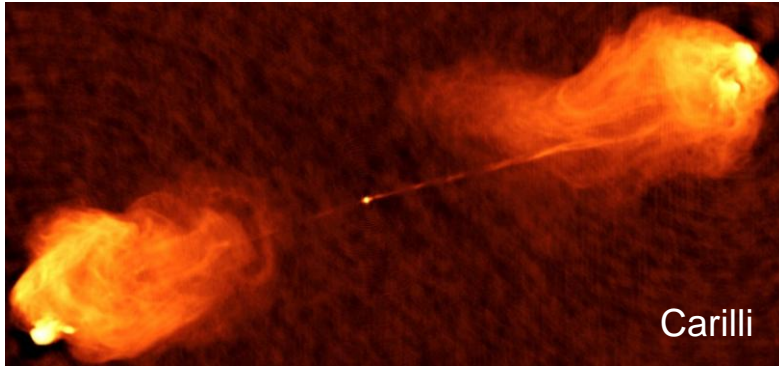
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# Outline of the first part (magneto-)hydrodynamics of jets

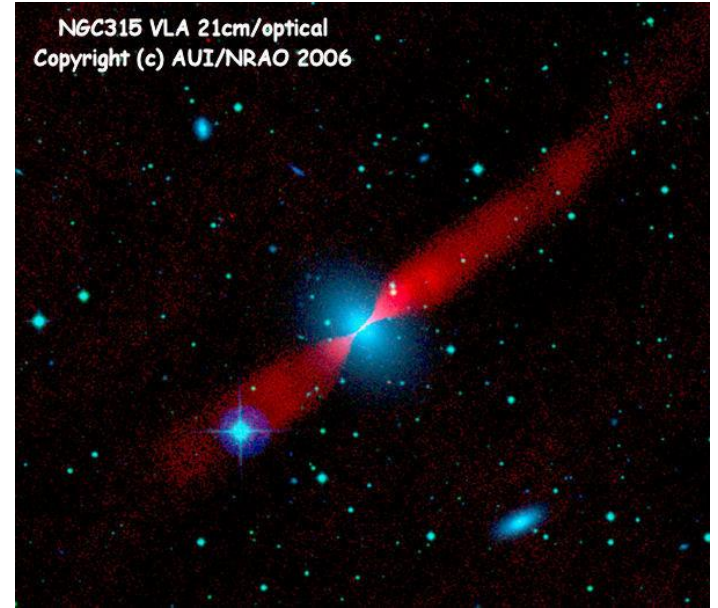
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  - Relativistic (magneto-)hydrodynamics.
  - Shocks.
- Large-scale morphology and long-term evolution.
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# Introduction

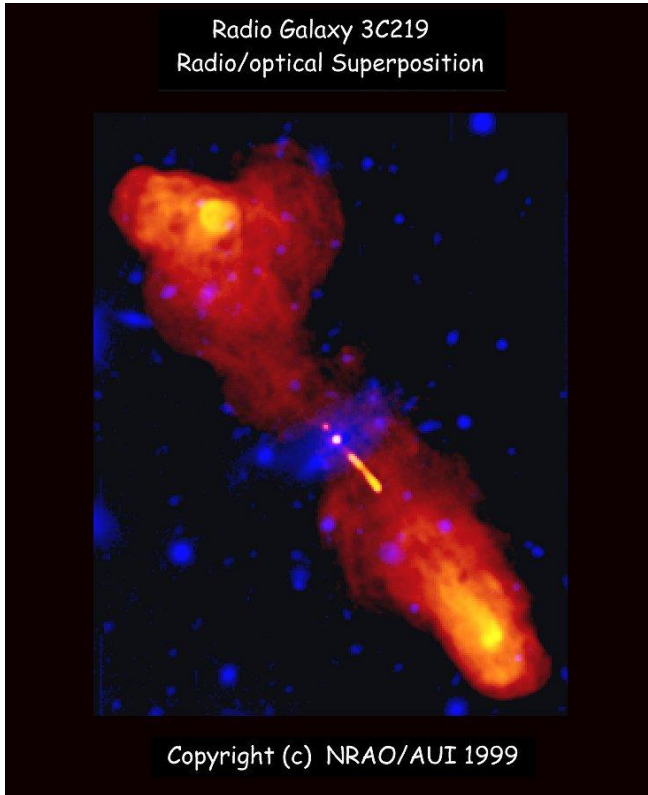
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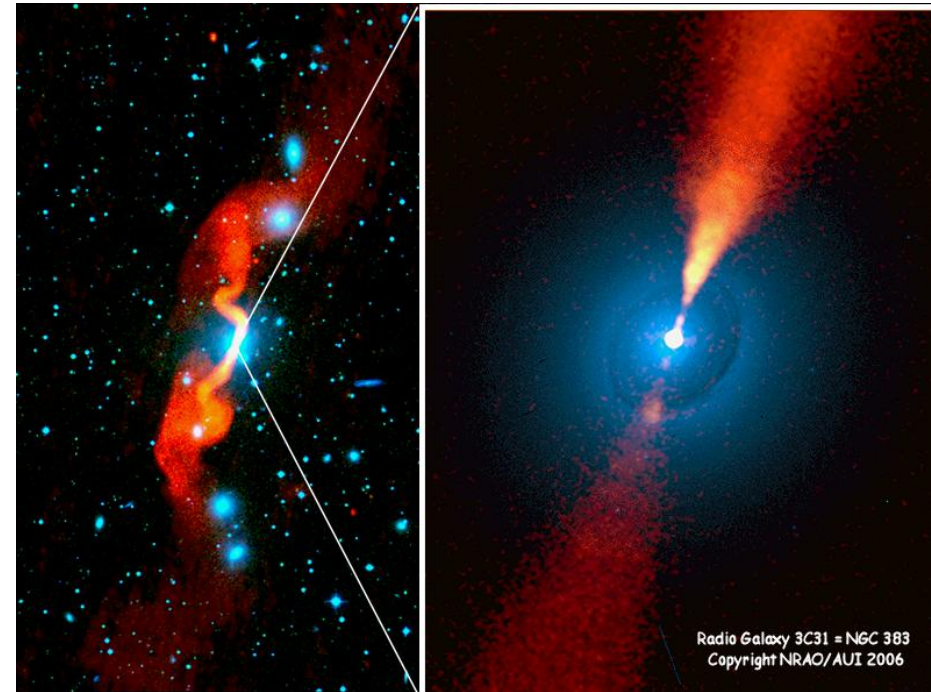
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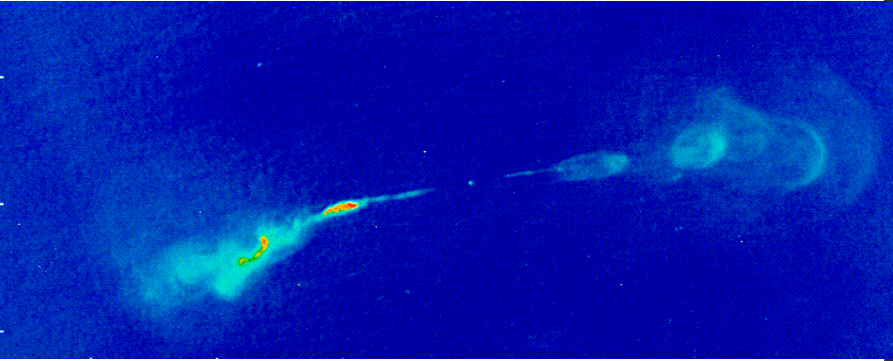
FR II



A. Bridle's gallery

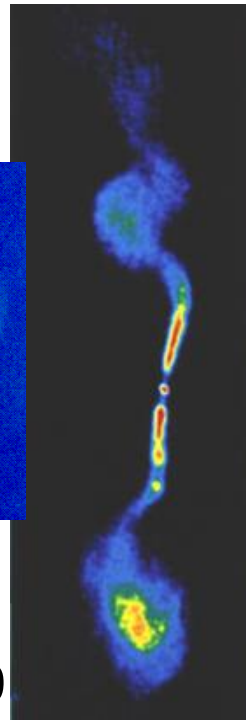
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Hercules A: (Dreher & Feigelson 1984)



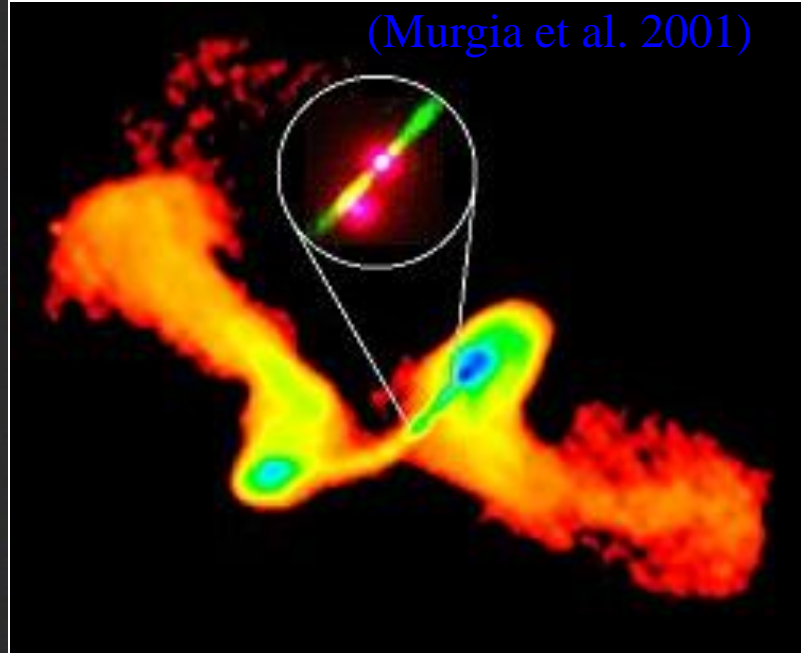
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Hardcastle et al. (1998)

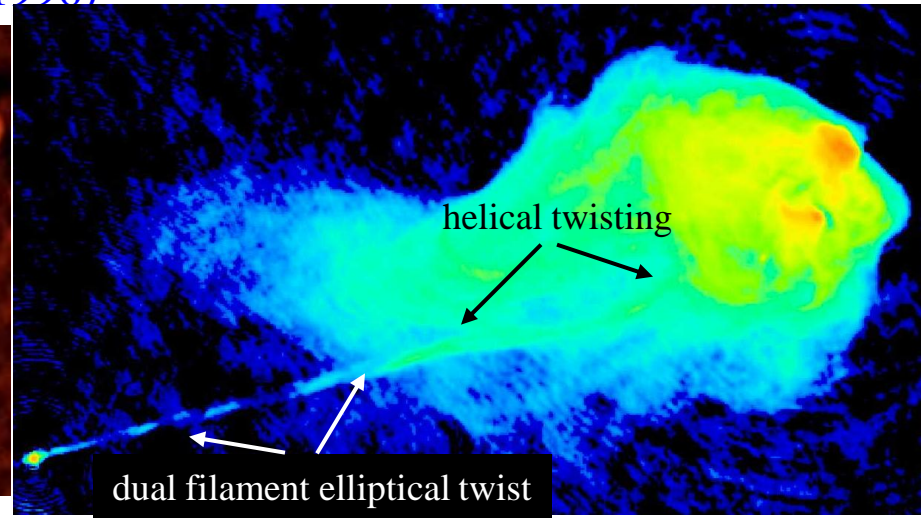
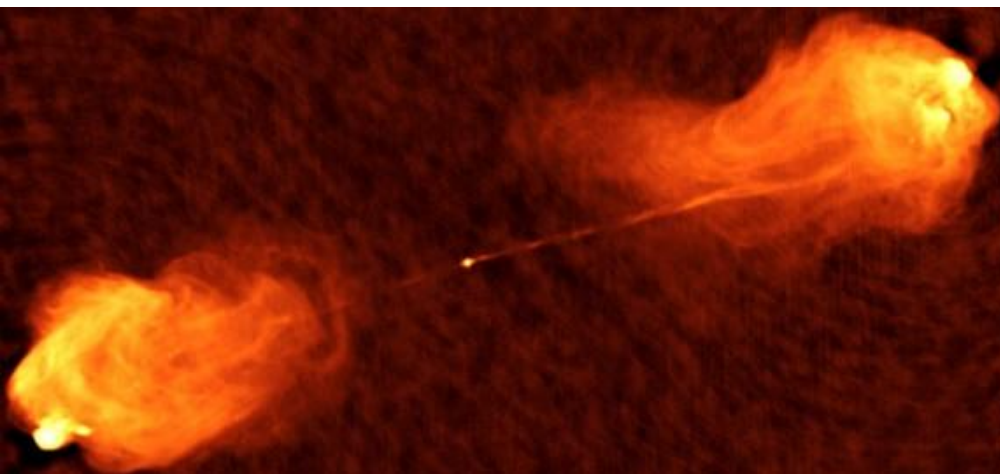


NGC 326

(Murgia et al. 2001)

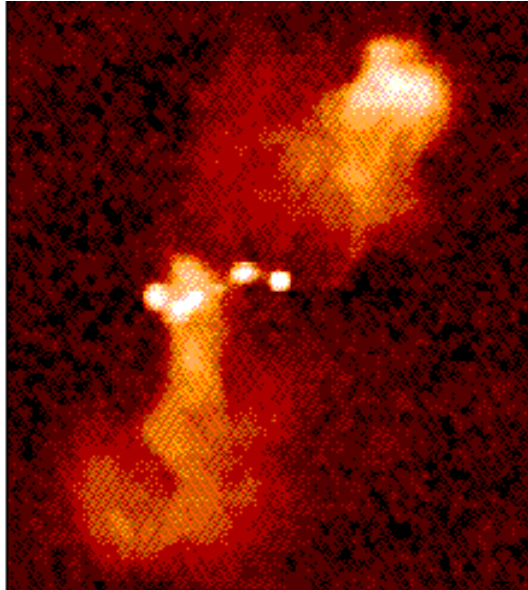


Cygnus A: FR II (Carilli, Perley, Barthel, Dreher 1996)

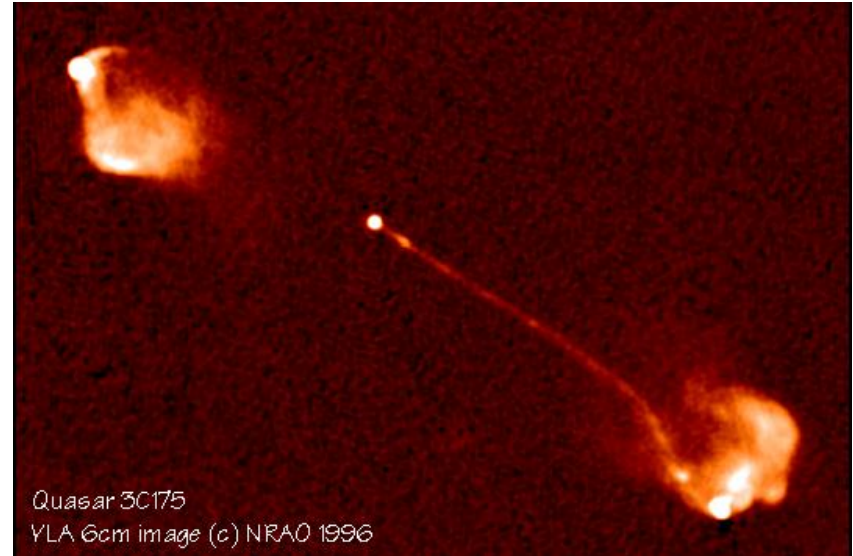


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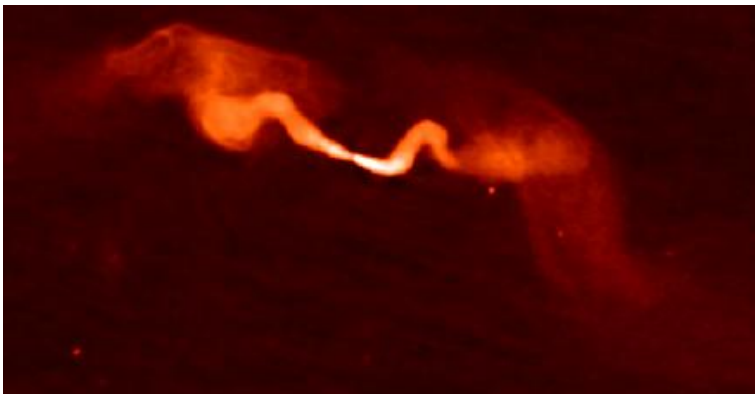
Quasar 3C215 (Bridle et al. 1994)



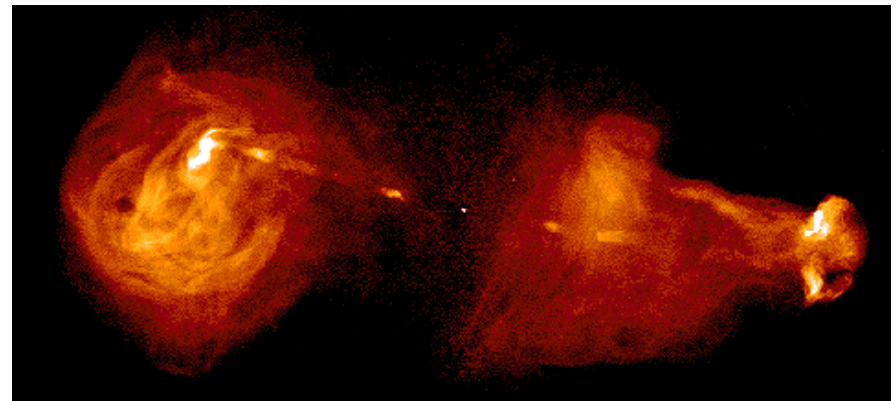
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3C31 (Laing et al. 2002)

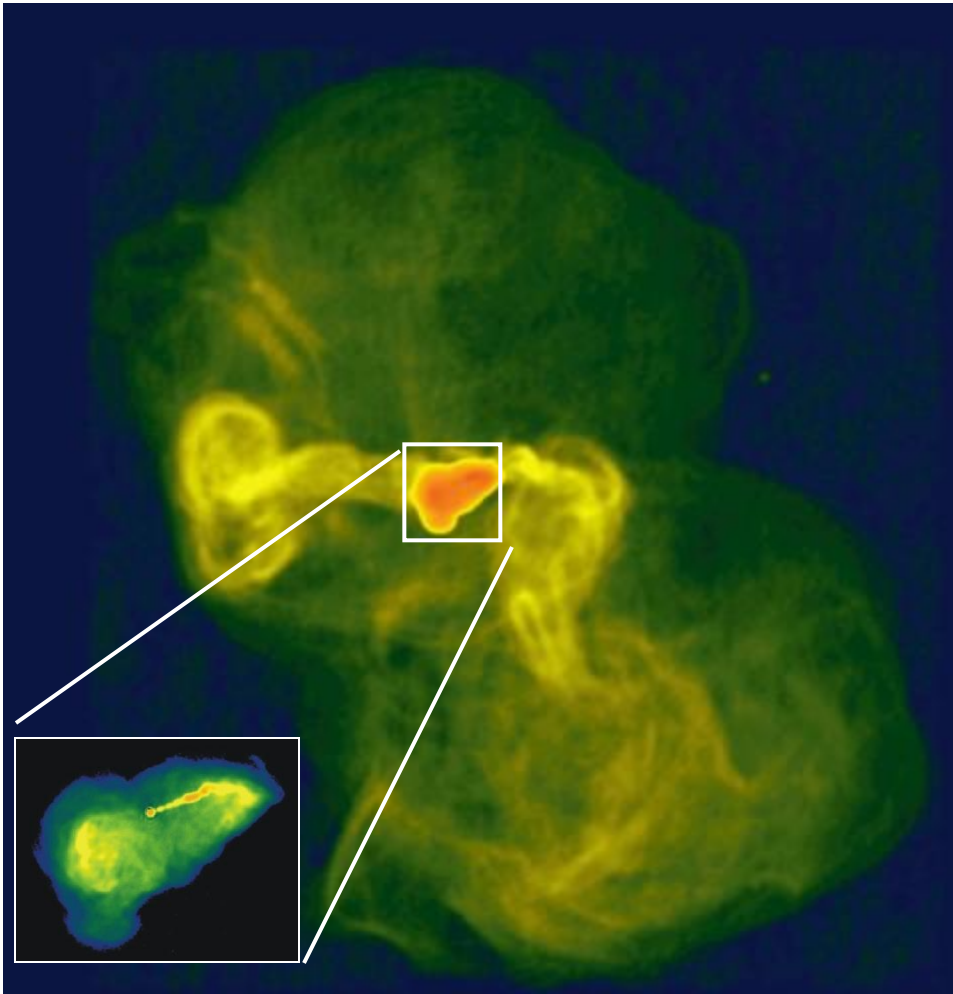


3C353 (Swan, Bridle & Baum 1998)

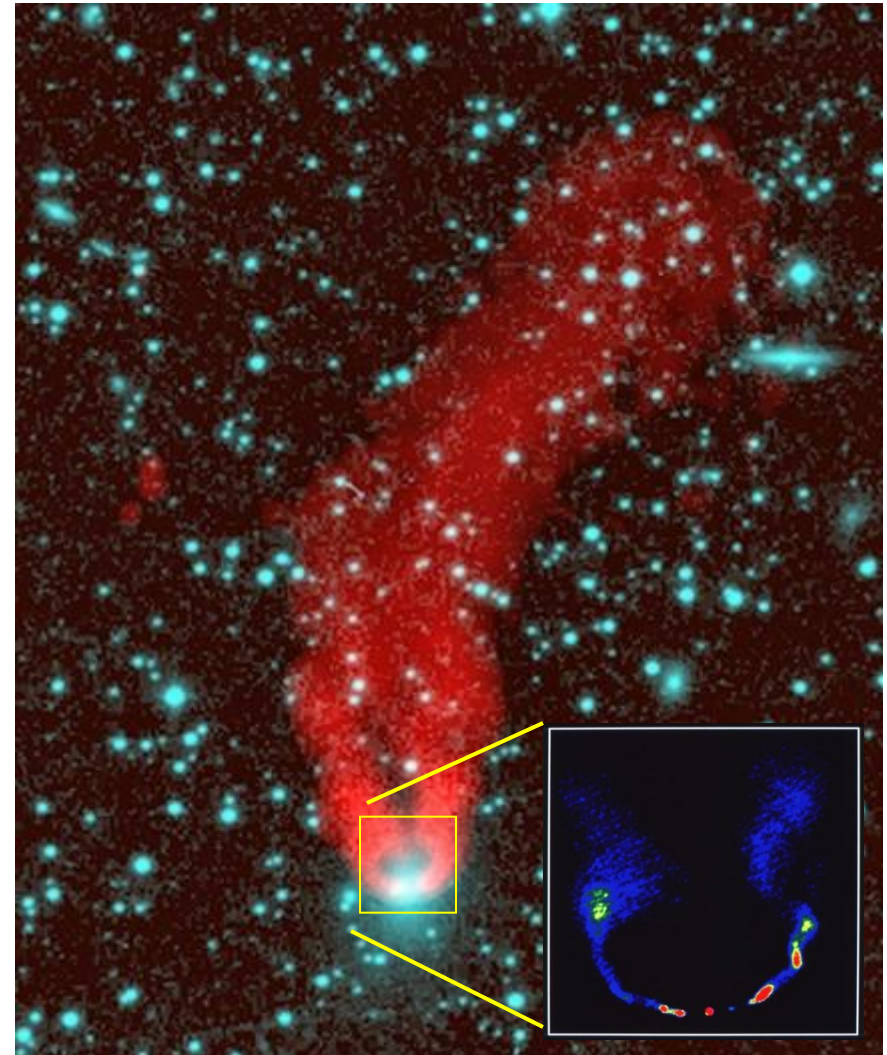


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M87: Virgo Cluster  
(Owen, Biretta, & Eilek)

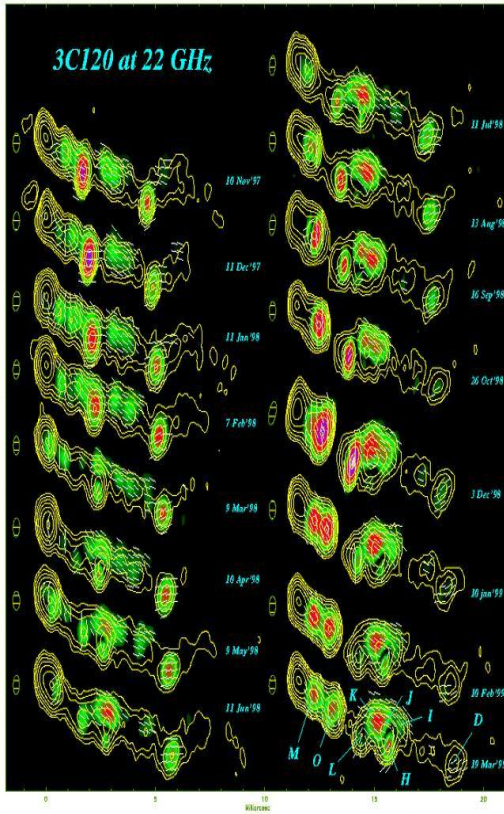


NGC 1265: Perseus Cluster  
(O'Dea & Owen)



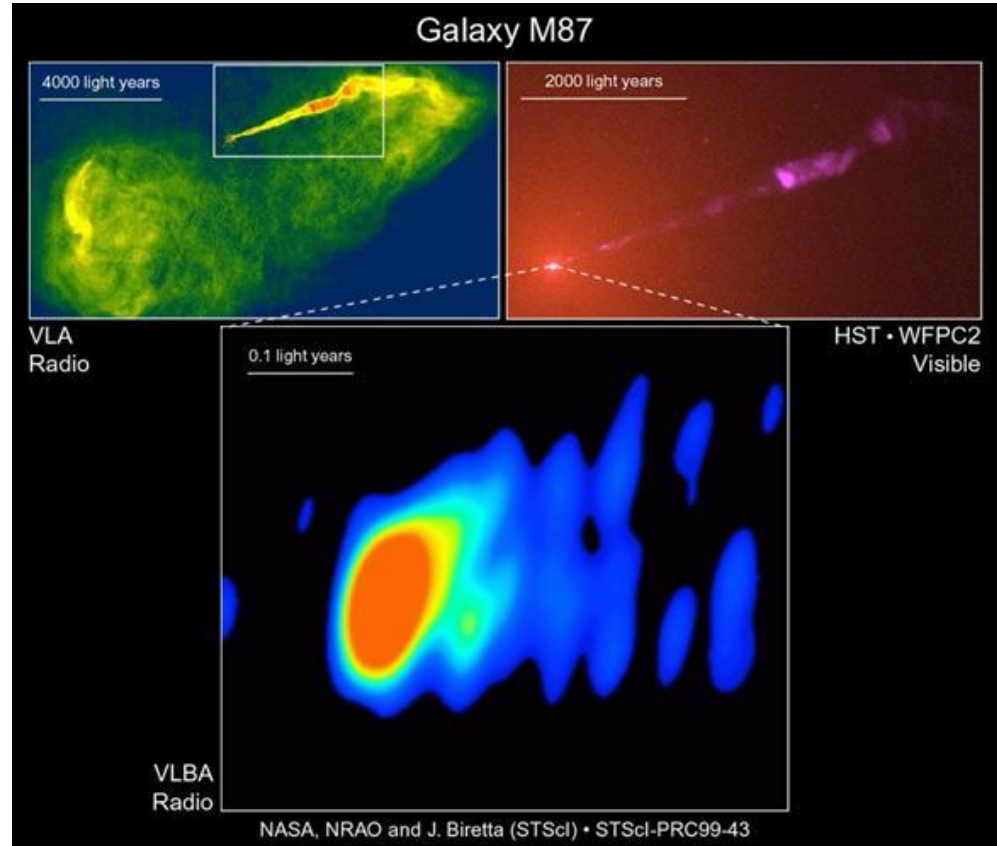
# Introduction

Pc scales: Superluminal motion, one-sidedness



3C120, VLBA  
Gómez et al. 2000

Subpc scale: Collimation and acceleration



M87, VLA/VLBA  
Junor et al. 1999

# Introduction

Very frequent observations can give deep insight into jet dynamics:

3C 120 – Gómez et al.

3C 111 – MOJAVE

## VLBA 22 GHz Observations of 3C120

*José-Luis Gómez*

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*Alan P. Marscher*

*BU (USA)*

*Antonio Alberdi*

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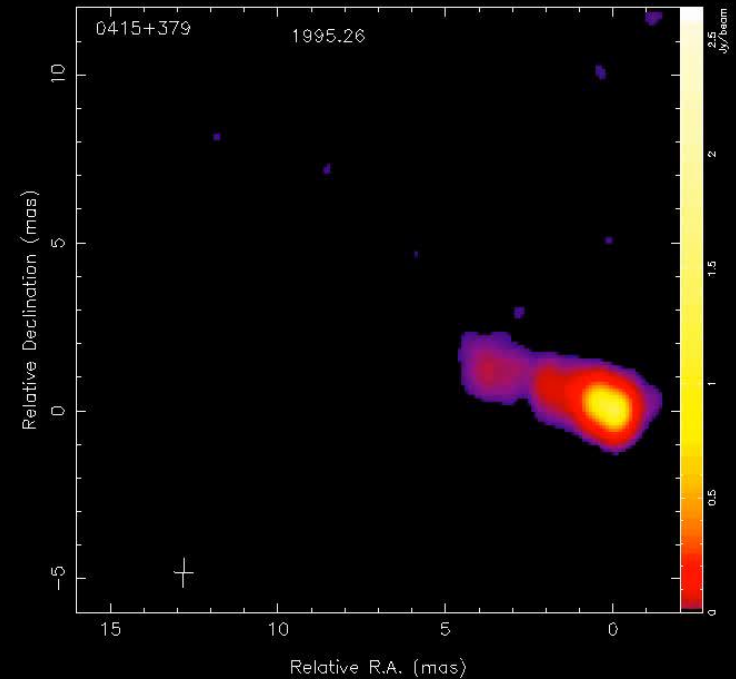
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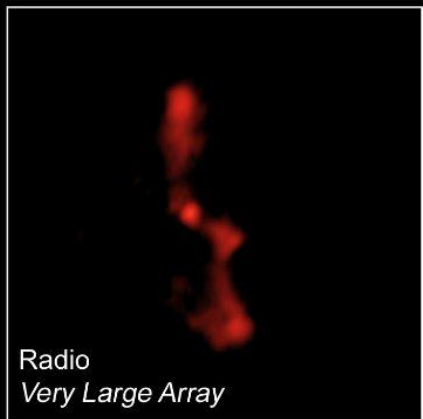
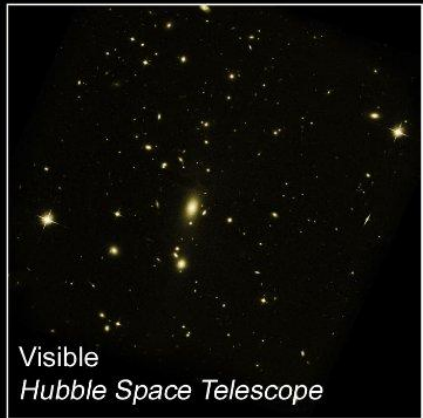
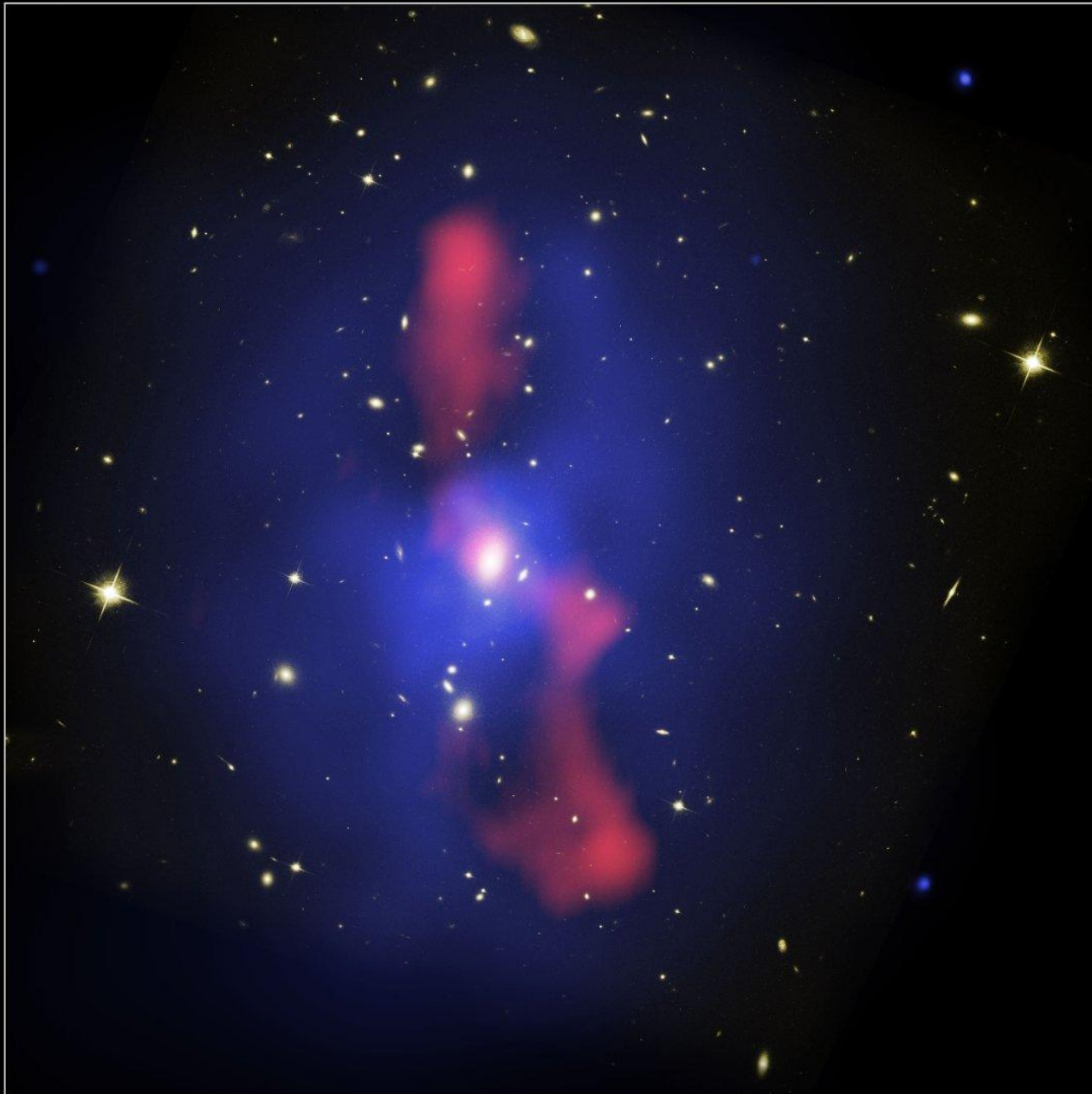
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Kadler et al. 2008

<http://www.physics.purdue.edu/astro/MOJAVE/index.html>



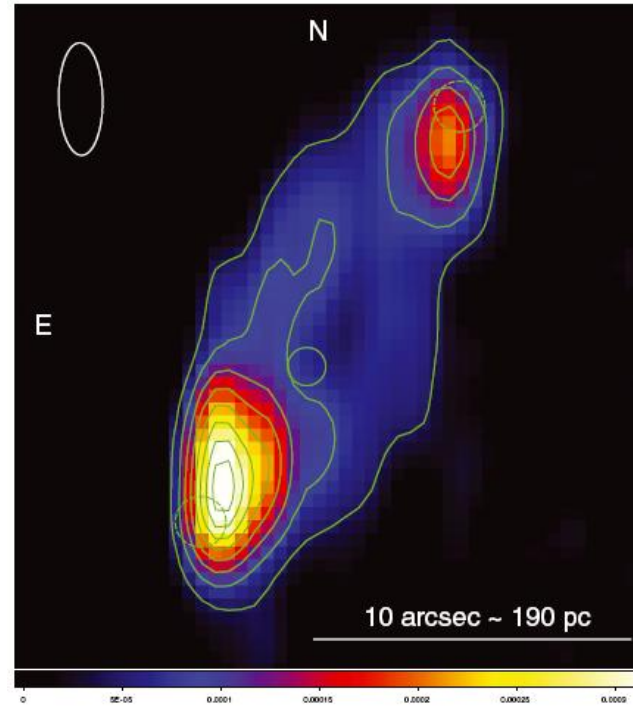
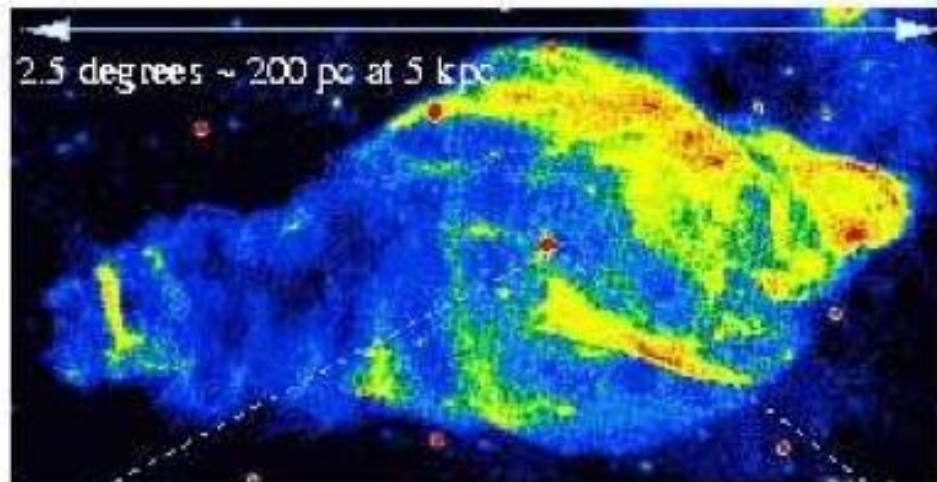


# Introduction

## MICROQUASARS

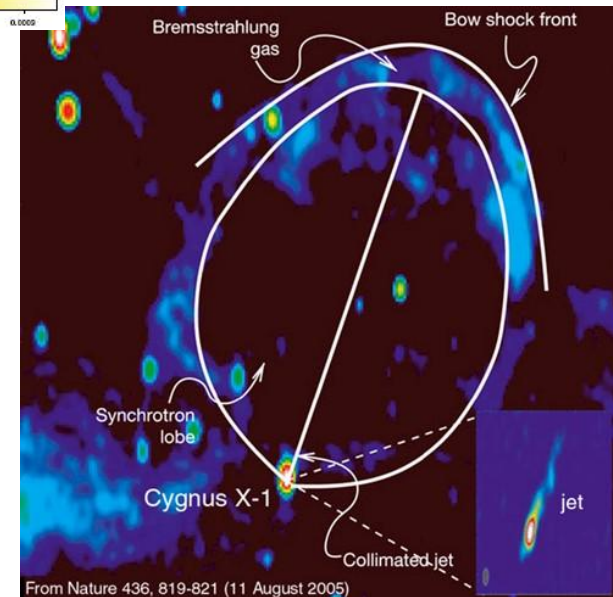
~20 sources with detected jets in the galaxy (Massi '05, Ribó '05).

Migliari et al.



S6 in NGC 7793  
Pakull et al.,  
Soria et al. 2010

Cygnus X-1  
Gallo et al. 2005



# extragalactic jets – the standard model

The **production of jets** is connected with the process of accretion on supermassive black holes at the core of AGNs

- **Hydromagnetic acceleration** (Blandford-Payne)
- **Extraction of rotational energy from Kerr BH** by magnetic processes (Blandford-Znajek, Penrose)

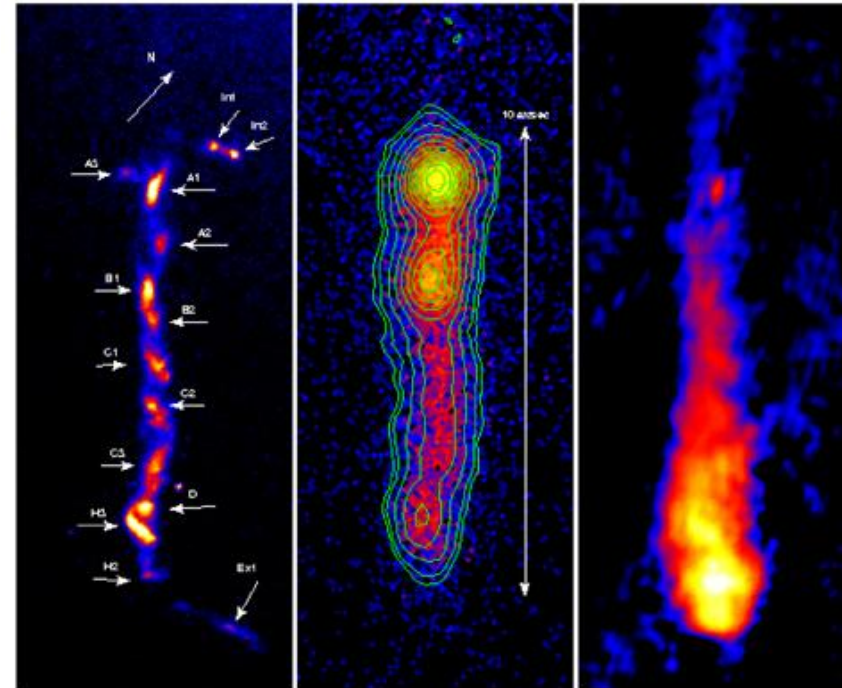
**Emission: synchrotron** (from radio to X-rays) and **inverse Compton** ( $\gamma$ -ray emission) from a relativistic ( $e^+/e^-$ ,  $ep$ ) jet (e.g., Ghisellini et al. 1998). Seed photons for the IC process:

- Self Compton: synchrotron photons
- External Compton: disk, BLR, dusty torus, CMB

Jets are **relativistic**, as indicated by:

- Superluminal motion at pc scales.
- One-sidedness of pc scale jets and brightness asymmetries between jets and counterjets at kpc scales (due to Doppler boosting of the emitted radiation).

3C273 HST – CHANDRA - MERLIN



**Jets: Relativistic collimated ejections of thermal ( $e^+/e^-$ ,  $ep$ ) plasma + ultrarelativistic electrons/positrons + magnetic fields + radiation, generated in the vicinity of SMBH**



**(GENERAL) RELATIVISTIC MHD + ELECTRON TRANSPORT + RADIATION TRANSFER**

# Introduction

Can astrophysical jets be treated as flows?

Blandford & Rees 1974

‡ Some justification is perhaps needed for treating the relativistic plasma as a fluid, even though the collisional mean-free-paths are very long. If a magnetic field  $B$  gauss were present, the Larmor radius for a proton of Lorentz factor  $\gamma$  would be  $\sim 10^{-12}\gamma B^{-1}$  pc. The smallest length-scales of the flow patterns we should consider are 1–10 pc. Thus even a magnetic field whose dynamical effects were completely negligible could guarantee fluid-like behaviour. Collective processes in the plasma would also decrease the effective mean-free-path. (Similar arguments justify a fluid dynamical approach in discussing some aspects of—for instance—the solar wind.) The nature of the ‘hot’ fluid is discussed further in Sections 3 and 4. If the mean-free-paths are small, the path of a typical particle closely follows a streamline of the bulk flow; also we are justified in assuming a sharp boundary between the two fluids—except in so far as instabilities occur.

# Introduction

Can astrophysical jets be treated as flows?

CLASSICAL

$$\omega_L \equiv \frac{eB}{mc}$$

$$r_L = \frac{v_{\perp}}{\omega_L}$$

RELATIVISTIC

$$\omega_B \equiv \frac{qB}{\gamma mc} = \frac{\omega_L}{\gamma}$$

$$r_B = \gamma r_L$$

$r_L$  is the Larmor radius

$$r_L \ll L$$

$L$  is the scale of the problem

The magnetic field keeps the particles confined.

# Basic equations

Relativistic flow

$$u^\mu = \frac{dx^\mu}{cd\tau}; \mu = 0, 1, 2, 3 \quad \text{four-velocity}$$

$$T^{\mu\nu} = (e + p)u^\mu u^\nu + pg^{\mu\nu} \quad \text{energy-momentum tensor} \quad T^{\mu\nu} = \rho h u^\mu u^\nu + pg^{\mu\nu}$$

$$e = \rho c^2 + \rho\varepsilon \quad \text{total energy density} \quad h \equiv c^2 + \varepsilon + p/\rho \quad \text{specific enthalpy}$$

Conservation of particle number

$$J^\mu = \rho u^\mu \quad \nabla_\mu J^\mu = 0$$

Conservation of energy and momentum

$$\nabla_\mu T^{\mu\nu} = 0$$

Covariant derivative

$$\nabla_\mu A^\nu \equiv A^\nu{}_{,\mu} + \Gamma_{\sigma\nu}^\mu A^\sigma$$

$$\text{with} \quad A^\nu{}_\mu \equiv \frac{\partial A^\nu}{\partial x^\mu} \quad \text{and} \quad \Gamma_{\sigma\mu}^\nu = \frac{1}{2}g^{\nu\lambda} \left( \frac{\partial g_{\lambda\mu}}{\partial x^\sigma} + \frac{\partial g_{\lambda\sigma}}{\partial x^\mu} - \frac{\partial g_{\sigma\mu}}{\partial x^\lambda} \right)$$

# Basic equations

We work in Minkowski space-time

$$g^{\mu\nu} = \eta^{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \text{diag}(-1, 1, 1, 1) \longrightarrow \nabla_{\mu} \longrightarrow \partial/(\partial x^{\mu}) \longrightarrow \begin{aligned} \frac{\partial(\rho u^{\mu})}{\partial x^{\mu}} &= 0 \\ \frac{\partial T^{\mu\nu}}{\partial x^{\mu}} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Continuity equation (lab frame)

$$W \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}} \longrightarrow u^{\mu} = W \left( 1, \frac{\mathbf{v}}{c} \right) \longrightarrow D \equiv \rho u^0 = \rho W . \longrightarrow \boxed{\frac{\partial D}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (D\mathbf{v}) = 0}$$

# Basic equations

Energy-momentum tensor in Minkowski space-time

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \begin{pmatrix} \rho h W^2 - p & \rho h W^2 \frac{v^1}{c} & \rho h W^2 \frac{v^2}{c} & \rho h W^2 \frac{v^3}{c} \\ \rho h W^2 \frac{v^1}{c} & \rho h W^2 \frac{(v^1)^2}{c^2} + p & \rho h W^2 \frac{v^1 v^2}{c^2} & \rho h W^2 \frac{v^1 v^3}{c^2} \\ \rho h W^2 \frac{v^2}{c} & \rho h W^2 \frac{v^1 v^2}{c^2} & \rho h W^2 \frac{(v^2)^2}{c^2} + p & \rho h W^2 \frac{v^2 v^3}{c^2} \\ \rho h W^2 \frac{v^3}{c} & \rho h W^2 \frac{v^1 v^3}{c^2} & \rho h W^2 \frac{v^2 v^3}{c^2} & \rho h W^2 \frac{(v^3)^2}{c^2} + p \end{pmatrix}$$

Conservation of energy and momentum

$$\frac{\partial T^{0\nu}}{c \partial t} + \frac{\partial T^{i\nu}}{\partial x^i} = 0$$

relativistic momentum

$$S^i \equiv \frac{T^{0i}}{c} = \frac{\rho h W^2 v^i}{c} \longrightarrow \frac{\partial S^i}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (S^i \mathbf{v}) + (\nabla p)^i = 0$$

relativistic energy-density

$$\tau \equiv T^{00} - \rho u^0 c^2 = \rho h W^2 - p - \rho W c^2 \longrightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{\partial \tau}{\partial t} + c^2 \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{S} - D \mathbf{v}) = 0 \\ \frac{\partial \tau}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot [(\tau + p) \mathbf{v}] = 0 \end{cases}$$



# Basic equations

classical		relativistic	
primitive	conserved	primitive	conserved
$\rho$	$\rho$	$\rho$	$\rho W$
$u$	$\rho u$	$v$	$\rho h W^2 v$
$P$	$\rho u^2/2 + P/(\gamma - 1)$	$p$	$\rho h W^2 - p - \rho W$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \rho + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\rho u) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\rho u) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} (\rho u^2 + P) = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\rho E) + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [(\rho E + P)u] = 0$$

$$\rho E \equiv \frac{1}{2} \rho u^2 + \rho \varepsilon = \frac{1}{2} \rho u^2 + \frac{P}{\gamma - 1}$$

$$\frac{\partial D}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (D \mathbf{v}) = 0 \quad (\text{mass conservation})$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{S}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{S} \otimes \mathbf{v} + p \mathbf{I}) = 0 \quad (\text{momentum conservation})$$

$$\frac{\partial \tau}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{S} - D \mathbf{v}) = 0 \quad (\text{energy conservation})$$

# Relativistic hydrodynamics: SRHD equations

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## STATE VECTOR

$$\mathbf{U} = (D, S^1, S^2, S^3, \tau)$$

## FLUX VECTORS

$$\mathbf{F}^i = (Dv^i, S^1v^i + \delta^{1i}, S^2v^i + \delta^{2i}, S^3v^i + \delta^{3i}, S^i - Dv^i)$$

## DEFINITIONS

$D = \rho W$ : relativistic rest-mass density.

$\mathbf{S} = \rho h W^2 \mathbf{v}$ : relativistic momentum density.

$\tau = \rho h W^2 c^2 - p - \rho W c^2$ : relativistic energy density.

$\mathbf{v}$ : fluid flow velocity.

$W = 1/\sqrt{1 - \mathbf{v}^2/c^2}$ : flow Lorentz factor.

## FLUID REST FRAME QUANTITIES

$\rho$ : proper rest-mass density.

$h = 1 + \varepsilon/c^2 + p/\rho c^2$ : specific enthalpy.

$\varepsilon$ : specific internal energy.

$p$ : pressure.

## RELATIVISTIC EFFECTS

$$h \geq 1 \quad (\varepsilon \geq c^2)$$

$$W \geq 1 \quad (v \rightarrow c)$$

# Relativistic Magnetohydrodynamics

RMHD: Describes the dynamics of relativistic, electrically conducting fluids in the presence of magnetic fields.

Ideal RMHD: Absence of viscosity effects and heat conduction in the limit of infinite conductivity.

The relativistic description is easier in terms of the MAGNETIC FIELD FOUR-VECTOR IN THE LOCAL FLUID REST FRAME,  $b^\mu = (b^0, \mathbf{b})$ .

## EQUATIONS

$$\frac{\partial D}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (D\mathbf{v}) = 0 \quad (\text{mass conservation})$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{S}^*}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot ((\mathbf{S}^* + b^0 \mathbf{b}) \otimes \mathbf{v} + p^* \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{b} \otimes \mathbf{b}) = 0$$

(momentum conservation)

$$\frac{\partial \tau^*}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{S}^* - D\mathbf{v}) = 0 \quad (\text{energy conservation})$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} - \nabla \times (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}) = 0 \quad (\text{induction equation})$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0 \quad (\text{magnetic flux conservation})$$

$$b^0 = W(\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{B}), \quad \sigma \equiv \frac{|b|^2}{\rho} \left( = \frac{2p_{\text{mag}}}{\rho} \right).$$

$$b^i = \frac{B^i}{W} + v^i b^0.$$

## DEFINITIONS

$\mathbf{S}^* = \rho h^* W^2 \mathbf{v} - b^0 \mathbf{b}$ : relativistic momentum density.

$\tau^* = \rho h^* W^2 c^2 - p^* - (b^0)^2 - \rho W c^2$ : relativistic energy density.

$\mathbf{B} = W(\mathbf{b} - b^0 \mathbf{v}/c)$ : laboratory magnetic field

## FLUID REST FRAME QUANTITIES

$p^* = p(1 + \beta)$ ;  $\beta$ : magnetization, magnetic to internal (gas) energy density ratio.

$h^* = h + \sigma$ ;  $\sigma$ : magnetic to rest mass energy density ratio.

## RELATIVISTIC/MAGNETIC EFFECTS

$$\beta \geq 1$$

$\beta, \sigma \geq 1$ : force-free magnetic field; Poynting flux dominated flow

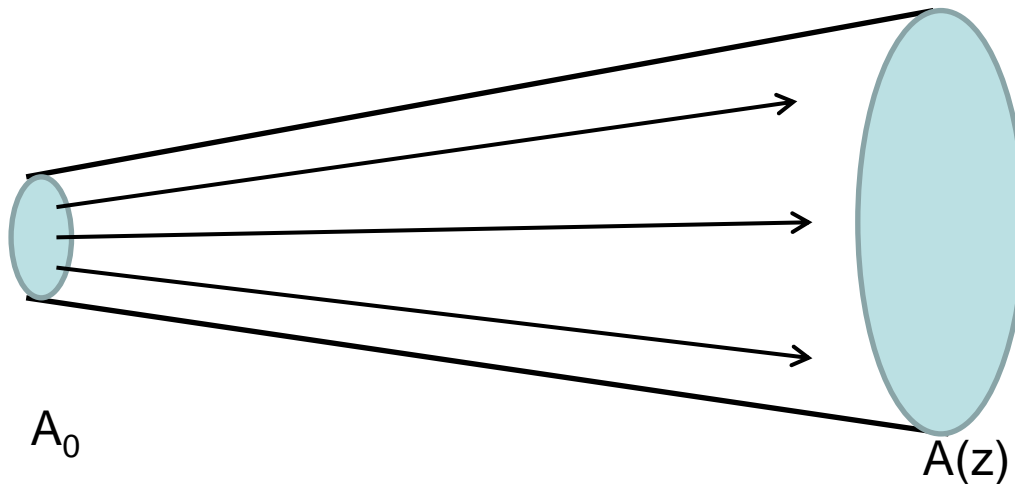
# Basic equations

steady flow, Bernoulli equations

~~$$\frac{\partial D}{\partial t} + \nabla(D\mathbf{v}) = 0 \quad D \equiv \rho u^0 = \rho W \quad \longrightarrow \quad \rho(z)W(z)v(z)\pi R(z)^2 = \rho_0 W_0 v_0 \pi R_0^2$$~~

~~$$\frac{\partial \tau}{\partial t} + \nabla[(\tau + p)\mathbf{v}] = 0 \quad \tau \equiv T^{00} - \rho u^0 c^2 = \rho h W^2 - p - \rho W c^2 \quad \longrightarrow \quad h(z)W(z) = h_0 W_0$$~~

adiabatic expansion  $p(z)\rho(z)^{-\gamma} = p_0\rho_0^{-\gamma}$



# Basic equations

Internal beam structure: governed by the relativistic beam Mach number,  $M_{b,R}$  :

$$M_{b,R} = \frac{W_b v_b}{W_{cb} c_b} \quad (\sim W_b M_b)$$

For models with same  $v_b$ ,  $c_b$ , stronger internal shocks and hot spots in relativistic jets

Mean flow follows relativistic **Bernoulli's law**:

$$h_b W_b = \text{constant}$$

**Hot jets**: adiabatic expansion down the jet:  $h_b \Downarrow\Downarrow$ ,  $W_b \Uparrow\Uparrow$   
**Cold jets**:  $h_b \sim 1$ ,  $W_b \sim \text{constant}$

**Large-scale evolution**: dynamics governed by the momentum,  $\Pi_j$ , and energy,  $L_j$ , fluxes through the terminal shock (which are roughly **proportional to  $h_b W_b^2$** ); cocoon temperature depends also on the particle flux,  $J_j$ , through the ratio  $L_j / J_j$  (**proportional to  $h_b W_b$** )

# Basic equations

Equivalence between classical and relativistic models with the same values of:

- Inertial mass density contrast:

$$\eta = \frac{\rho_b}{\rho_a} \Leftrightarrow \eta_R = \frac{\rho_b h_b W_b^2}{\rho_a}$$

- Internal beam Mach number:

$$M_b = \frac{v_b}{c_b} \Leftrightarrow M_{b,R} = \frac{W_b v_b}{W_{cb} c_b}$$

For equivalent models, classical and relativistic jet models:

- have almost the same power and thrust  $\longrightarrow$  Same jet advance speed (similar cocoon prominence) similar cocoon/cavity dynamics
- **BUT** different rest mass fluxes  $\longrightarrow$  Different cocoon temperature, particle number densities
- **AND** the velocity field of nonrelativistic jet simulations can not be scaled up to give the spatial distribution of Lorentz factors of the relativistic simulations  $\longrightarrow$  Relativistic simulations needed to compute Doppler factors

Komissarov & Falle 1996, 1998  
Rosen et al. 1999

# Shocks

the jet flow is supersonic  it generates shocks.

Rankine-Hugoniot jump conditions

classical flow

$$\rho_1 u_1 = \rho_2 u_2$$

$$\rho_1 u_1^2 + P_1 = \rho_2 u_2^2 + P_2$$

$$\frac{1}{2} u_1^2 + h_1 = \frac{1}{2} u_2^2 + h_2$$

$$h = 1 + \frac{\gamma P}{(\gamma - 1)\rho} = \frac{\gamma}{\gamma - 1} \frac{kT}{m}$$

relativistic flow

$$\rho_1 W_1 v_1 = \rho_2 W_2 v_2$$

$$\rho_1 h_1 W_1^2 v_1^2 + p_1 = \rho_2 h_2 W_2^2 v_2^2 + p_2$$

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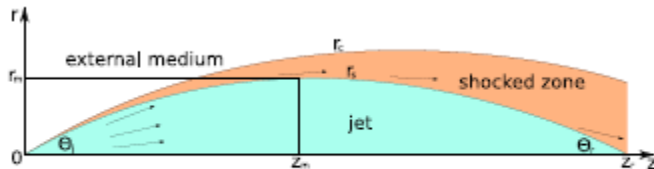
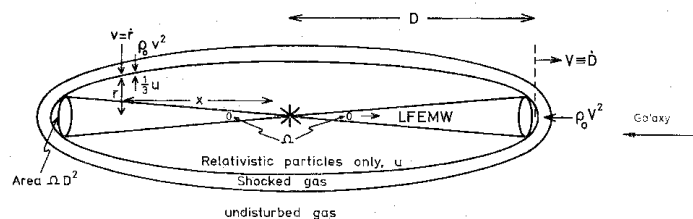
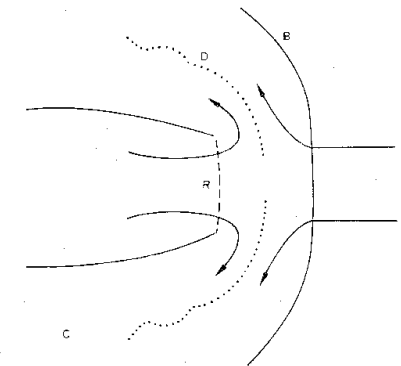


Figure 3.1: Structure of the reconfinement shock for static external medium.

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Scheuer 1974



Blandford & Rees 1974



# Shocks

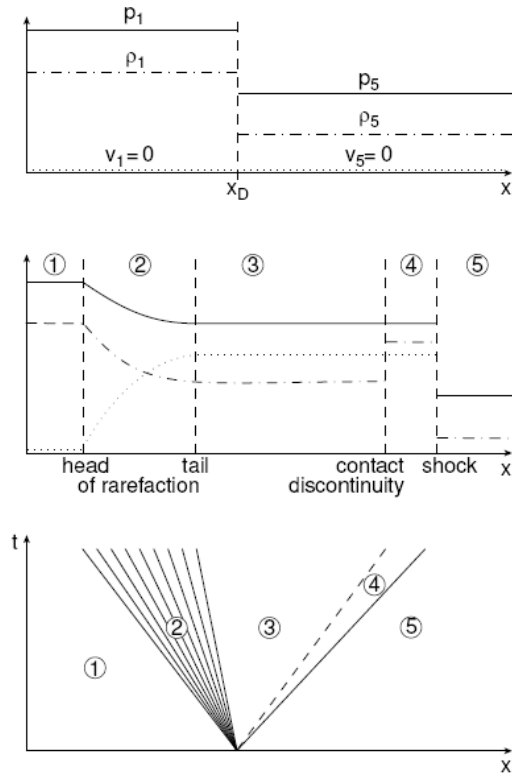


Figure 1: Schematic solution of a Riemann problem in special relativistic hydrodynamics. The initial state at  $t = 0$  (top figure) consists of two constant states 1 and 5 with  $p_1 > p_5$ ,  $\rho_1 > \rho_5$ , and  $v_1 = v_2 = 0$  separated by a diaphragm at  $x_D$ . The evolution of the flow pattern once the diaphragm is removed (middle figure) is illustrated in a spacetime diagram (bottom figure) with a shock wave (solid line) and a contact discontinuity (dashed line) moving to the right. The bundle of solid lines represents a rarefaction wave propagating to the left.

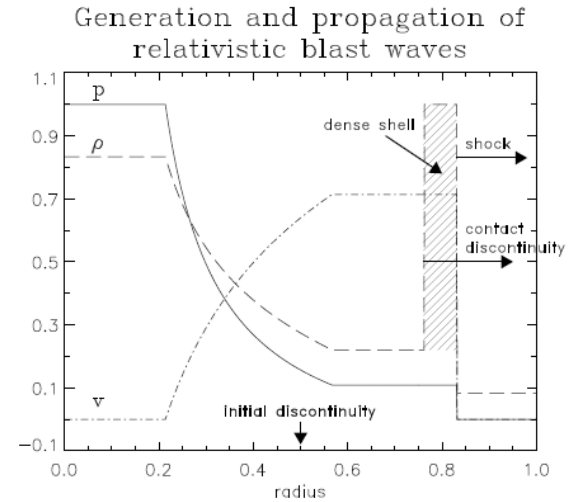
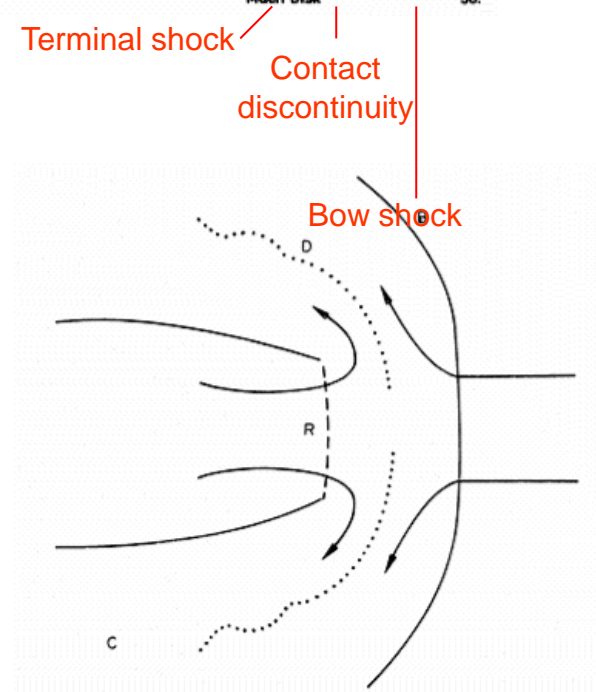
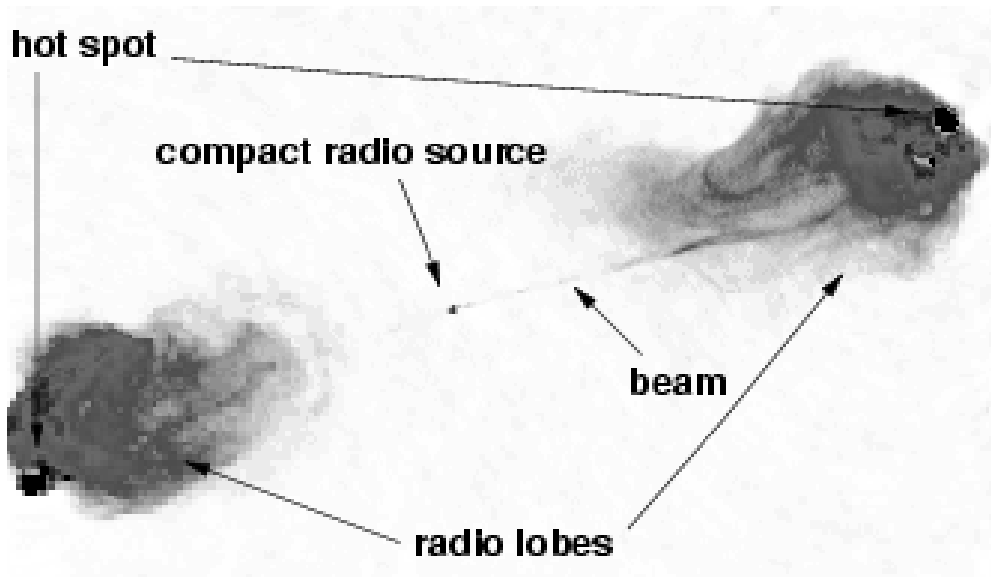
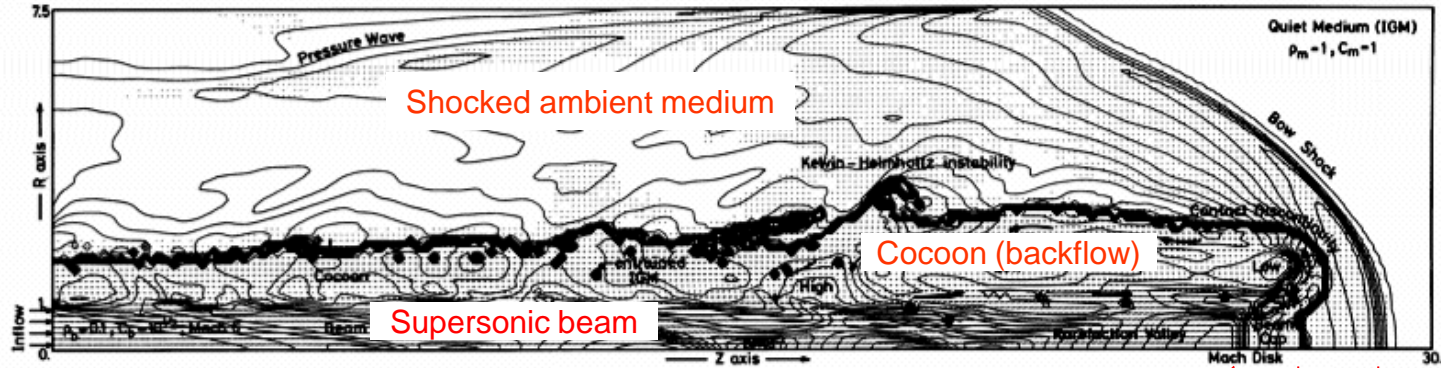


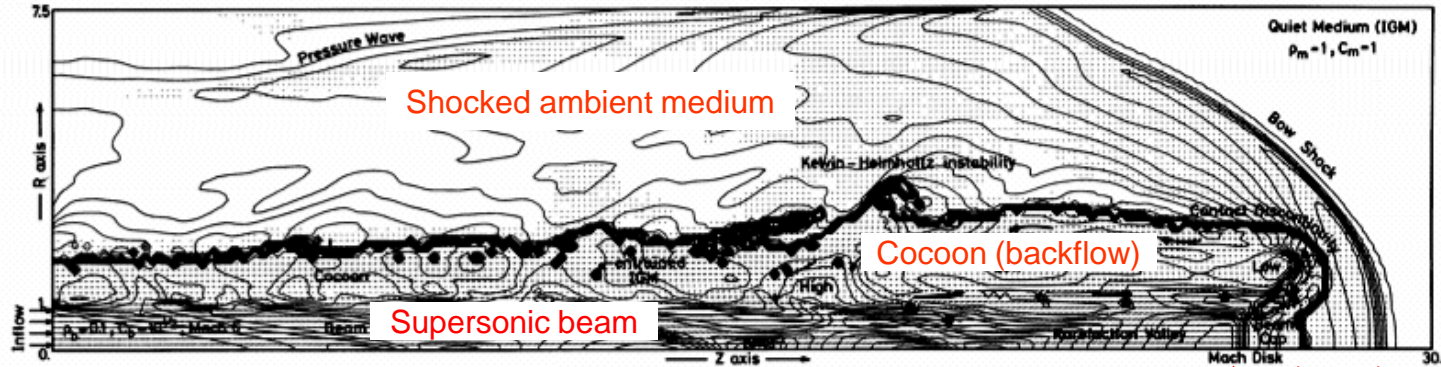
Figure 7: Generation and propagation of a relativistic blast wave (schematic). The large pressure jump at a discontinuity initially located at  $r = 0.5$  gives rise to a blast wave and a dense shell of material propagating at relativistic speeds. For appropriate initial conditions both the speed of the leading shock front and the velocity of the shell approach the speed of light, producing very narrow structures.

# Large-scale morphology and long-term evolution.



Morphology and dynamics governed by the interaction with the external medium.

# Large-scale morphology and long-term evolution.



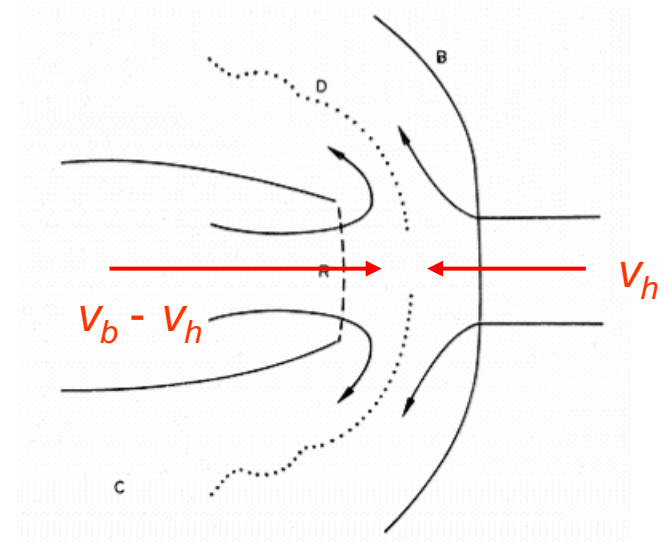
Terminal shock  
Contact discontinuity  
Bow shock

Head advance speed: 1D estimate from **ram pressure equilibrium** between jet and ambient in the rest frame of the **jet working surface**

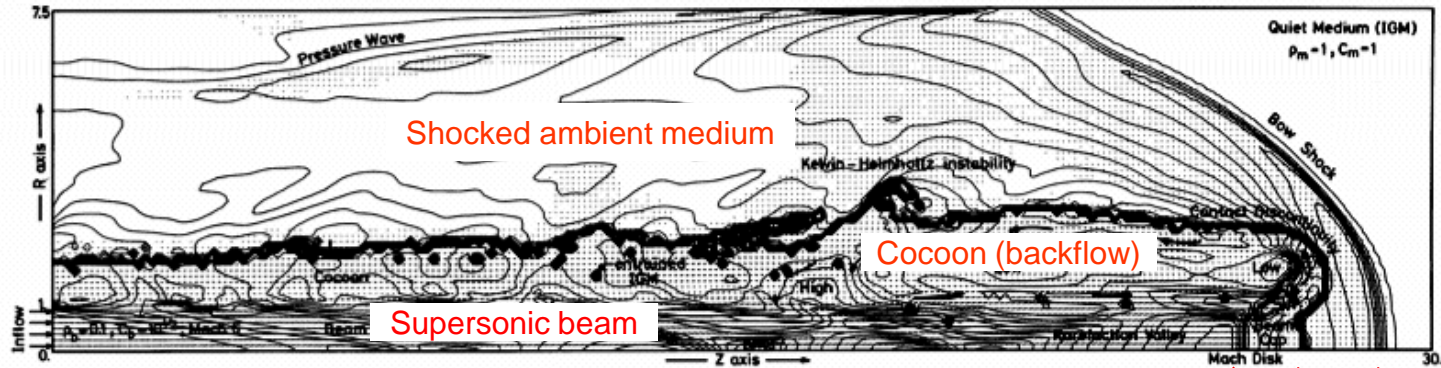
classical jet

$$\rho_b(v_b - v_h)^2 + p_b = \rho_a v_h^2 + p_a$$

$$v_h = \frac{\sqrt{\rho_b/\rho_a}}{1 + \sqrt{\rho_b/\rho_a}} v_b$$



# Large-scale morphology and long-term evolution.



Head advance speed: 1D estimate from **ram pressure equilibrium** between jet and ambient in the rest frame of the **jet working surface**

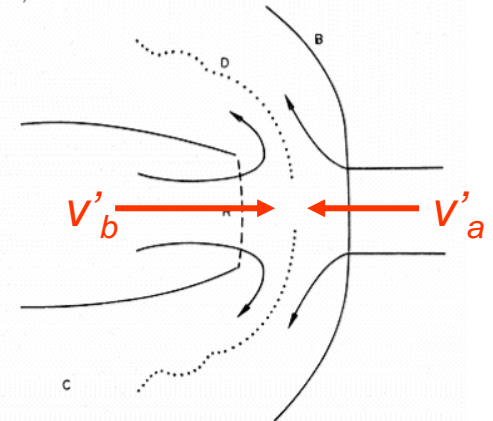
Terminal shock  
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relativistic jet

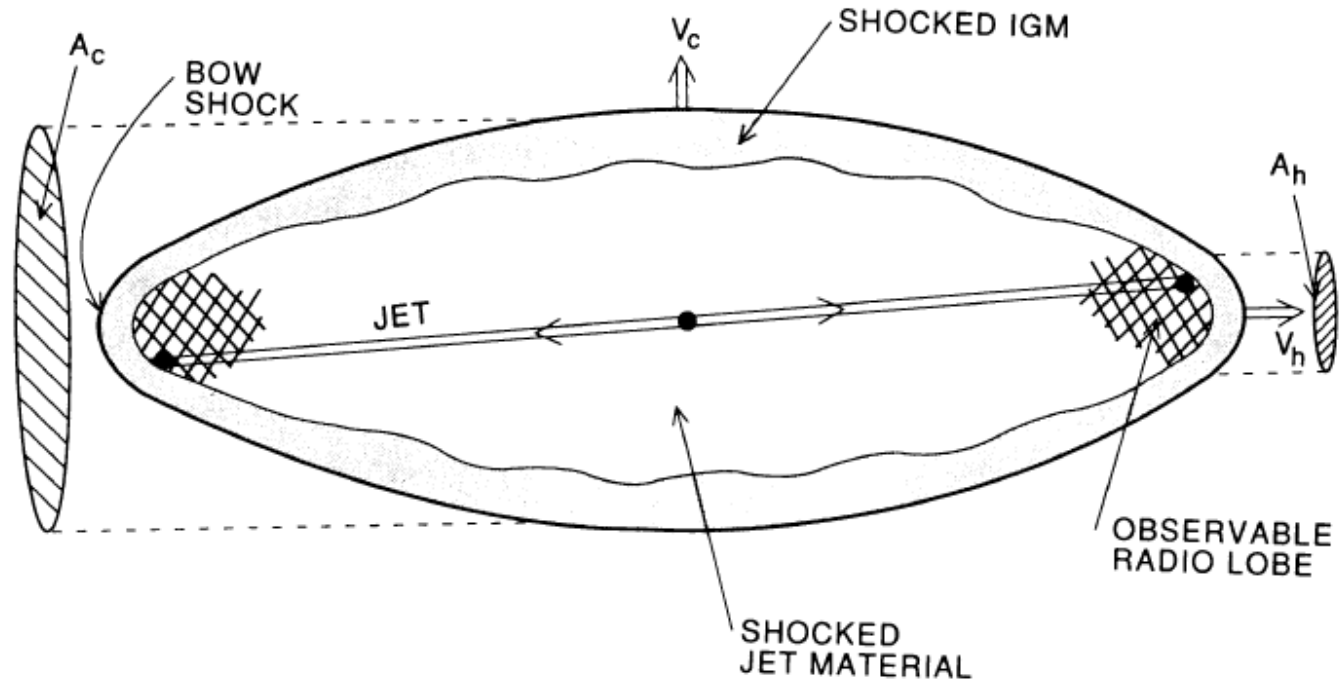
$$\rho_b h_b W_b'^2 v_b'^2 + p_b = \rho_a h_a W_a'^2 v_a'^2 + p_a \quad \xrightarrow{v_{h,R} = -v_a'} \quad \rho_b h_b W_b^2 (v_b - v_{h,R})^2 = \rho_a h_a v_{h,R}^2$$

$$v_{h,R} = \frac{\sqrt{\rho_b h_b W_b^2 / \rho_a h_a}}{1 + \sqrt{\rho_b h_b W_b^2 / \rho_a h_a}} v_b$$

cf. classical  $v_h = \frac{\sqrt{\rho_b / \rho_a}}{1 + \sqrt{\rho_b / \rho_a}} v_b$



# Large-scale morphology and long-term evolution.



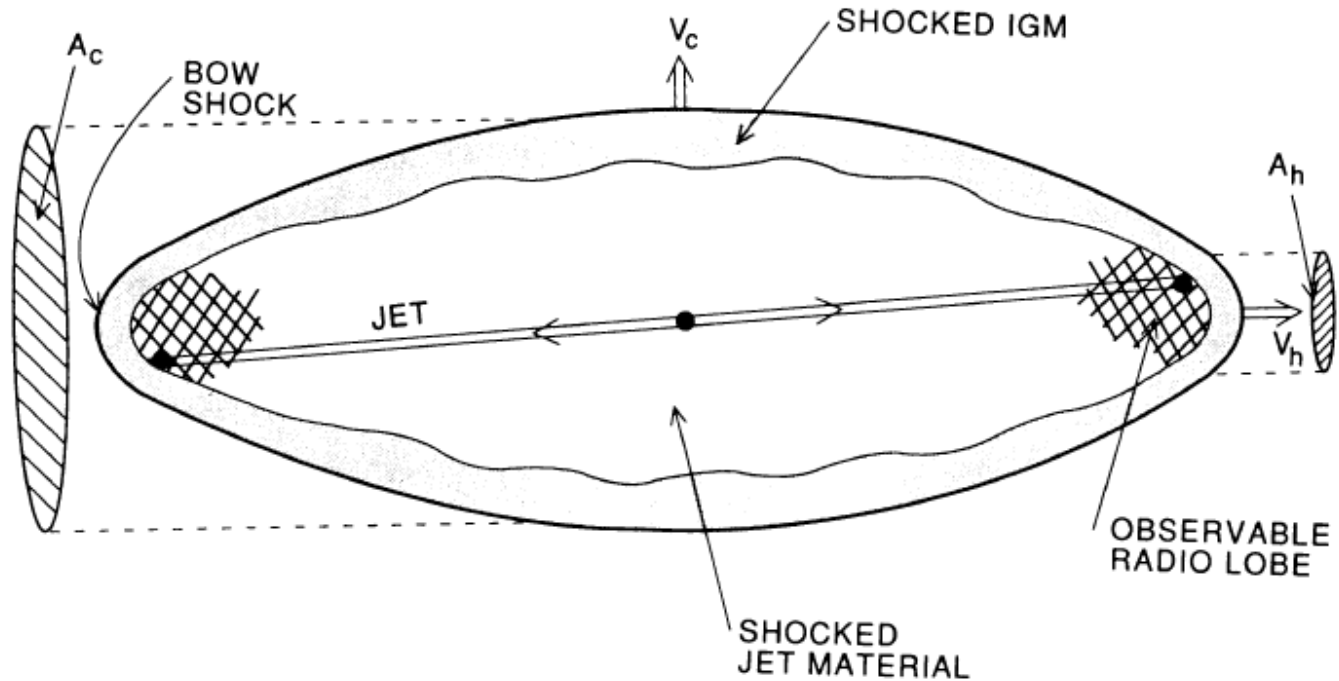
e.g., Begelman & Cioffi 1989, Kaiser & Alexander 1997, Scheck et al. 2002, Perucho & Martí 2007, Kino et al. 2007

$$P_s \propto \frac{L_s}{v_{bs} A_s} \quad \pi R_s^2, R_s \text{ being the radius}$$

$$P_s = \rho_a R_s^2$$

strong shock limit

# Large-scale morphology and long-term evolution.



e.g., Begelman & Cioffi 1989, Kaiser & Alexander 1997, Scheck et al. 2002, Perucho & Martí 2007, Kino et al. 2007

$$\left. \begin{aligned}
 P_s &\propto \frac{L_s}{v_{bs} A_s} & \pi R_s^2, R_s \text{ being the radius} \\
 P_s &= \rho_a \dot{R}_s^2
 \end{aligned} \right\} \longrightarrow 1/R_s \propto \dot{R}_s$$

constant ambient density and  
bow-shock velocity

# Large-scale morphology and long-term evolution.

constant velocity and ambient density

$$1/R_s \propto \dot{R}_s \longrightarrow R_s \propto t^{1/2}, \quad P_s \propto t^{-1}, \quad l_s/R_s \propto t^{1/2}$$

variable velocity

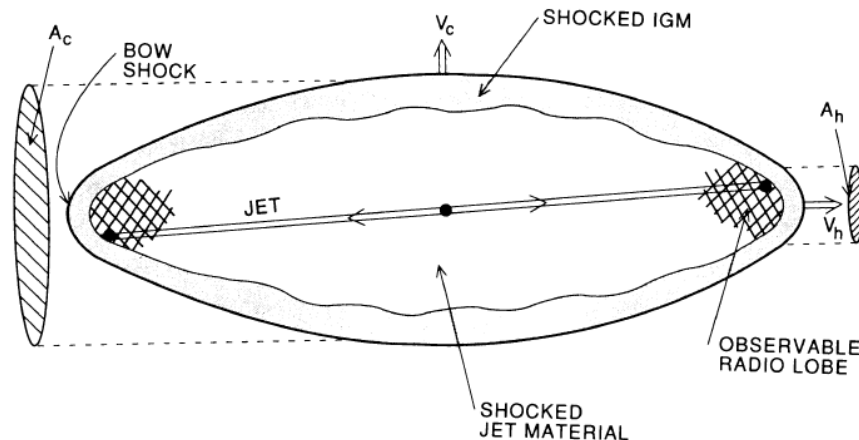
$$v_{bs} \propto t^\alpha$$

$$\dot{r}_s \propto t^\beta$$

$$P_s = \rho_a \dot{R}_s^2 \longrightarrow \frac{1}{t^{\alpha} t^{2(\beta+1)}} \propto t^{2\beta} \rightarrow \beta = -1/2 - \alpha/4.$$

$$R_s \propto t^{1/2 - \alpha/4}, \quad P_s \propto t^{-1 - \alpha/2}, \quad l_s/R_s \propto t^{1/2 + 5\alpha/4}$$

$$\alpha \sim -1/3 \quad R_s \propto t^{7/12}, \quad P_s \propto t^{-5/6}, \quad l_s/R_s \propto t^{1/12}$$



# Large-scale morphology and long-term evolution.

variable velocity and density

$$v_c \propto t^\alpha, \rho_a \propto r^\beta \quad R_s \propto t^{\frac{2-\alpha}{4+\beta}}, P_s \propto t^{\frac{2(\alpha-2)-\alpha(4+\beta)}{4+\beta}}$$

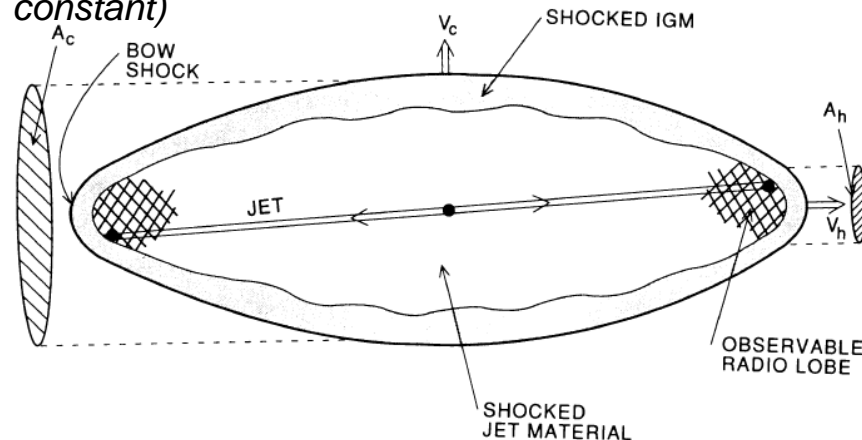
$$\rho_a \propto R_s^{-1} \quad R_s \propto t^{0.7}, \quad P_s \propto t^{-1.3}, \quad l_s/R_s \propto t^{0.2},$$

$$\alpha \sim -0.1$$

thermodynamical variables in the cocoon

$$P_c \sim P_s \propto \frac{L_s}{v_{bs} A_s} \quad \rho_c = \frac{J_c}{v_{bs} A_c} \quad T_c \propto \frac{L_s}{J_c} \frac{A_c}{A_s}$$

$J_c$ : mass flux through the terminal shock (assumed constant)



$$\rho_c \propto t^{-1}$$

$$T_c \propto t^0$$



# Large-scale morphology and long-term evolution.

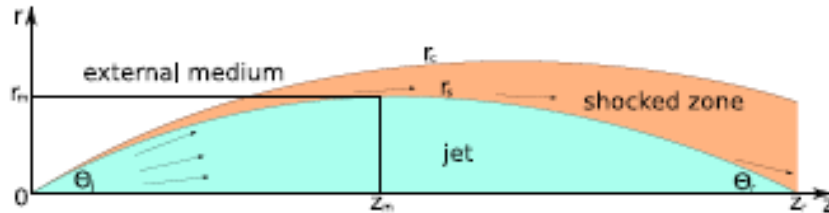


Figure 3.1: Structure of the reconfinement shock for static external medium.

$$z_1 = \left( \frac{2(2L_j J_j)^{1/2}}{\pi P_c (\gamma + 1)} \right)^{1/2}$$

Falle 1991

$$\frac{z_2}{z_1} = 3.58$$

for  $\gamma = 5/3$

$$\frac{z_2}{z_1} = 4.95$$

for  $\gamma = 4/3$

temporal evolution

$$\begin{array}{l}
 z_s \propto P_c^{-1/2} \\
 v_{bs} \propto t^\alpha
 \end{array}
 \left\{
 \begin{array}{l}
 P_c \propto t^{-1-\alpha/2} \text{ for homogeneous ambient} \longrightarrow z_s \propto t^{1/2+\alpha/4} \\
 P_c \propto t^{-2} \text{ for } \rho_a \propto z^{-2} \longrightarrow z_s \propto t
 \end{array}
 \right.$$

# Instabilities

## KELVIN-HELMHOLTZ

$$\gamma_L^2 \left( \rho + \frac{p}{c^2} \right) \left[ \frac{\partial \vec{V}}{\partial t} + (\vec{V} \cdot \nabla) \vec{V} \right] + \nabla p + \frac{\vec{V}}{c^2} \frac{\partial p}{\partial t} = 0,$$

$$\gamma_L \left( \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial t} + \vec{V} \cdot \nabla \rho \right) + \left( \rho + \frac{p}{c^2} \right) \left[ \frac{\partial \gamma_L}{\partial t} + \nabla (\gamma_L \vec{V}) \right] = 0.$$

$$\rho = \rho_0 (1 + \varepsilon/c^2)$$

$\varepsilon$  - specific internal energy

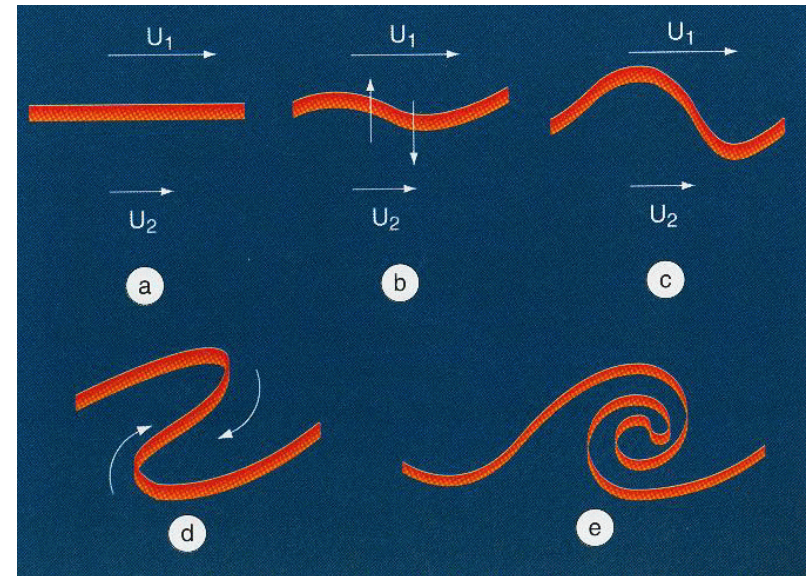
$\rho_0 \equiv mn$  - rest mass density,  $\Gamma$  - adiabatic index

$$p \rho_0^{-\Gamma} = \text{const}$$

$$c_s^2 = \frac{\Gamma p}{w}$$

( $w = \rho + \frac{p}{c^2}$ , relativistic enthalpy)

$$\vec{V}' = \vec{V} + \vec{V}_1, \quad p' = p + p_1, \quad \rho' = \rho + \rho_1$$



# Instabilities

## KELVIN-HELMHOLTZ

$$\vec{v}' = \vec{v} + \vec{v}_1, \quad p' = p + p_1, \quad \rho' = \rho + \rho_1$$

$$\mathbf{g} = (p + p_1)/p = 1 + g_1$$

$$\Gamma \gamma_L^2 \left( \frac{\partial \vec{v}_1}{\partial t} + (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{\nabla}) \vec{v}_1 \right) + \vec{\nabla} g_1 + c_s^2 \vec{v} \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial t} = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{\Gamma - 1} \left( \frac{\partial g_1}{\partial t} + \vec{v} \cdot \vec{\nabla} g_1 \right) + \gamma_L^2 \Gamma \vec{v} \cdot \left( \frac{\partial \vec{v}_1}{\partial t} + \vec{\nabla} (\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v}_1) \right) + \frac{\Gamma}{c_s^2} \vec{\nabla} \vec{v}_1 = 0$$

linearized equations of RHD in planar coordinates

$$\frac{\partial^2 g_{1,b}}{\partial x^2} + \gamma_L^2 \left[ \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial z} + M_b c_{s,b}^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right)^2 - \frac{c_{s,b}^2}{\Gamma_b - 1} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + M_b \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right)^2 \right] g_{1,b} = 0$$

→ relativistic flow

$$\frac{\partial^2 g_{1,a}}{\partial x^2} + \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2} - \frac{c_{s,b}^2}{\Gamma_a - 1} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \right) g_{1,a} = 0$$

→ steady ambient

$$\delta = (\delta^+ F^+(x) + \delta^- F^-(x)) \exp i(k_z z - \omega t) + b.c.$$

$$F^\pm(x) = \exp(\pm i k_x x)$$

$$p_a = p_b, \quad h_a = h_b$$

at

$$r = R_b$$

boundary conditions

# Instabilities

## KELVIN-HELMHOLTZ

### DISPERSION RELATION

$$\frac{1}{v\Gamma_b} \frac{\omega (\omega_{b0}^2 - k_{b0}^2)^{1/2}}{\omega_{b0} \left(\frac{\omega^2}{v\Gamma_a} - k^2\right)^{1/2}} = \begin{cases} \coth i(\omega_{b0}^2 - k_{b0}^2)^{1/2} & \text{for } s = 1 \\ \text{th } i(\omega_{b0}^2 - k_{b0}^2)^{1/2} & \text{for } s = -1 \end{cases}$$

$s = \pm 1$

- symmetry index.

$\omega$

- frequency in the rest frame.

$k$

- wavenumber in the rest frame

$\omega_{b0} = \gamma_L(\omega - M_b k)$

- frequency in the beam frame.

$k_{b0} = \gamma_L \left(k - \frac{c^2}{\omega} M_b \omega\right)$

- wavenumber in the beam frame.

$\Gamma_a = \Gamma_b = 4/3$

- adiabatic index.

$k_{b,x} = (\omega_{b0}^2 - k_{b0}^2)^{1/2}$

- transversal wavenumber.

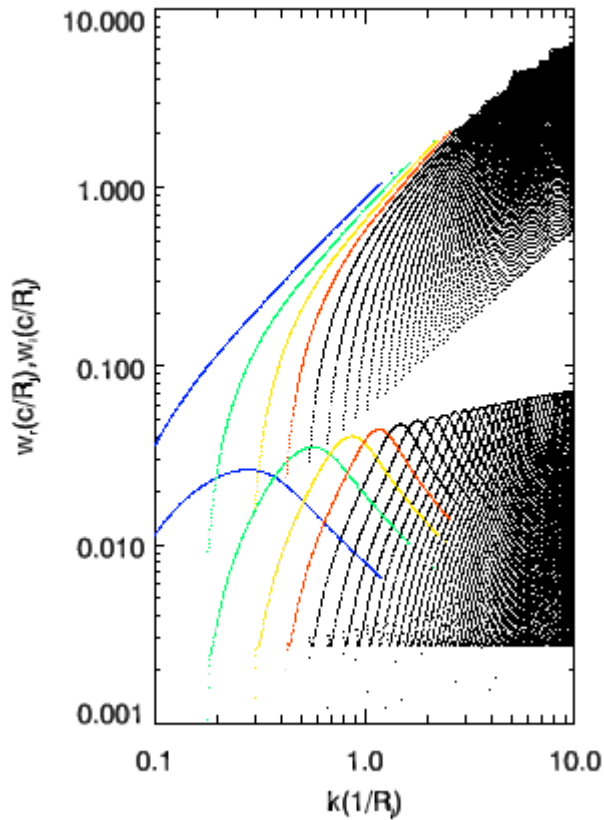
$$\delta = (\delta^+ F^+(x) + \delta^- F^-(x)) \exp i(k_z z - \omega t) + b.c.$$

- Temporal approach:  $\omega$  complex ( $\omega_r + i\omega_i$ ),  $k$  real.  $\omega_i$  is growth rate

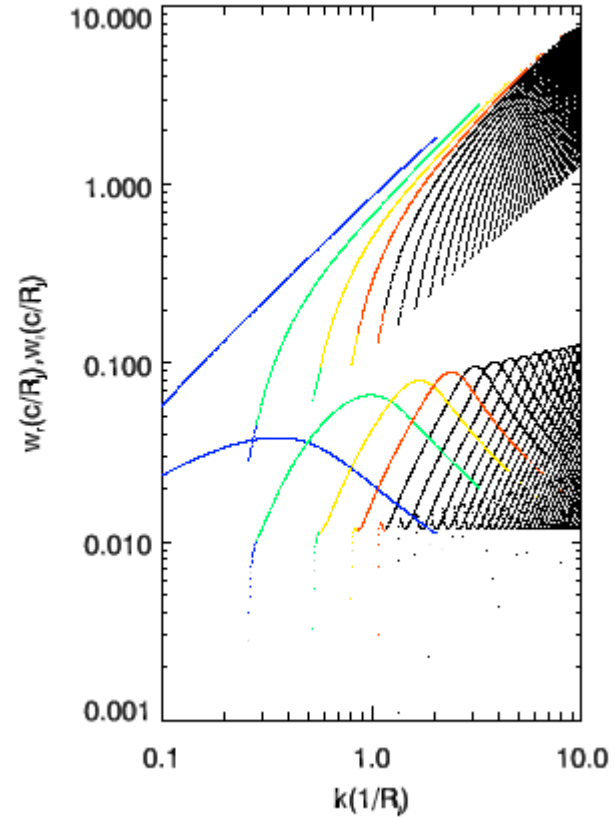
- Spatial approach:  $k$  complex ( $k_r + ik_i$ ),  $\omega$  real.  $k_i$  is growth length

# Instabilities

KELVIN-HELMHOLTZ: solutions



symmetric

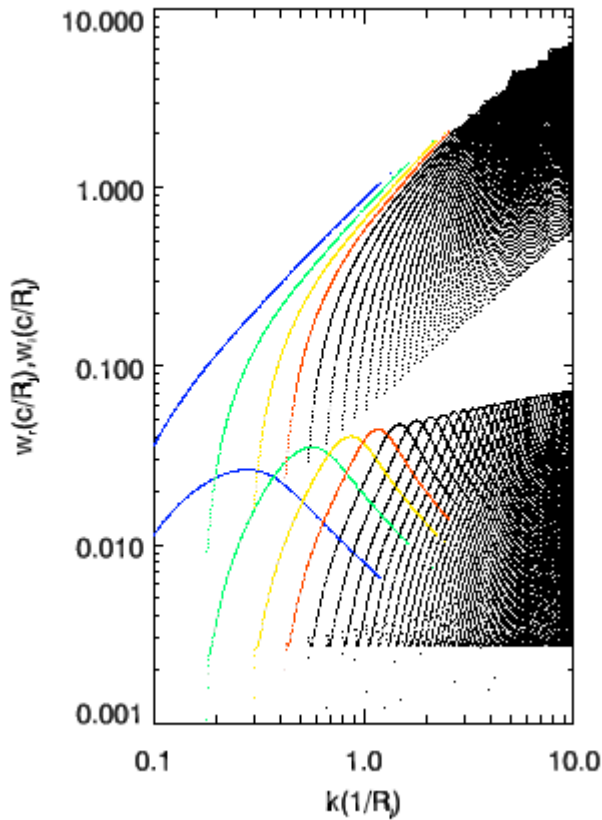


antisymmetric

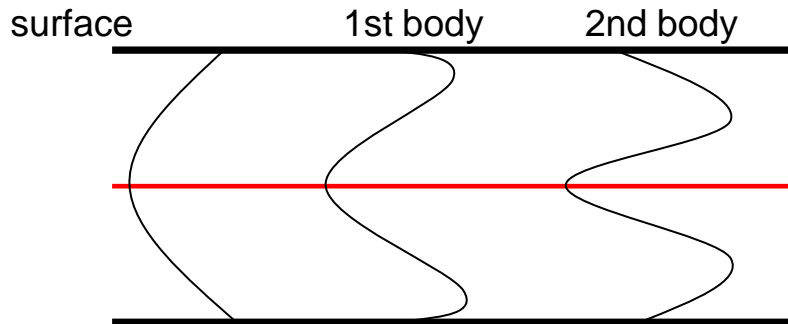
hotter, slower or less dense jets show faster growth rates.

# Instabilities

## KELVIN-HELMHOLTZ: solutions



symmetric

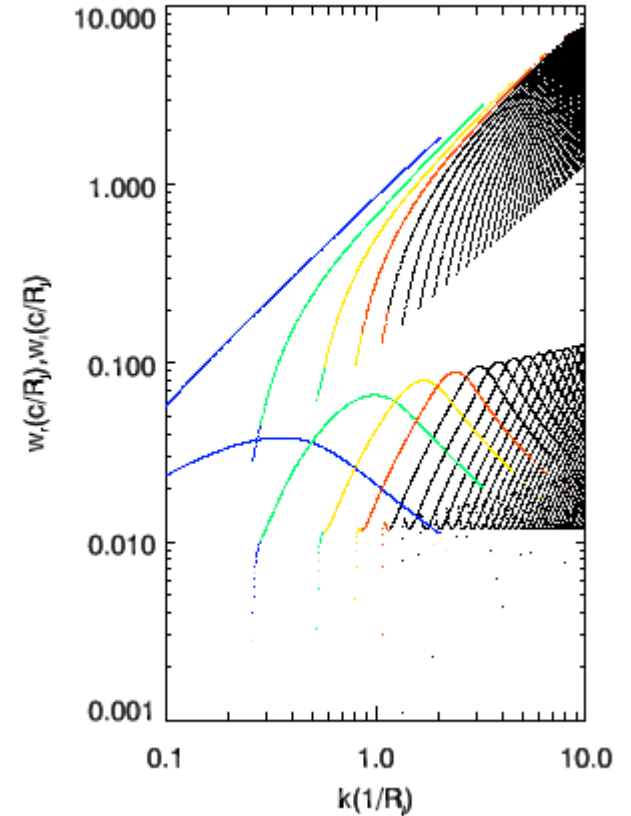


$$k_{j\perp} = (\omega'^2 - k_{\parallel}'^2)^{1/2}$$

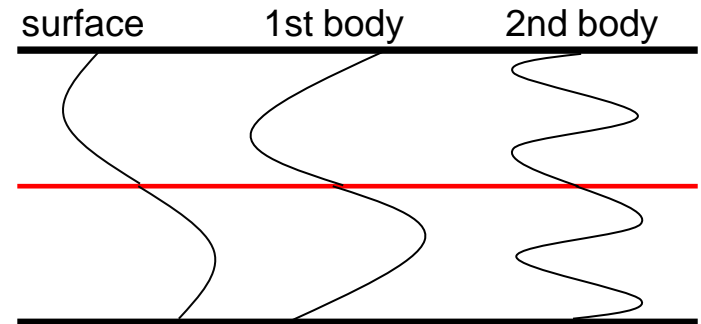
with

$$\omega' = \gamma(\omega - v_j k_{\parallel})$$

$$k_{\parallel}' = \gamma(k_{\parallel} - \frac{v_j}{c^2} \omega)$$



antisymmetric



# Instabilities

## KELVIN-HELMHOLTZ: 3D cylindrical coordinates

$$\gamma^2 \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + v_j \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \right)^2 p_{j1} - \frac{\partial^2 p_{j1}}{\partial r^2} - \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial p_{j1}}{\partial r} - \gamma^2 \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial z} + \frac{v_j}{c^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right)^2 p_{j1} = 0,$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 p_{a1}}{\partial t^2} - \frac{\eta \Gamma_a}{\Gamma_j} \left( \frac{\partial^2 p_{a1}}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial p_{a1}}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial^2 p_{a1}}{\partial z^2} \right) = 0.$$

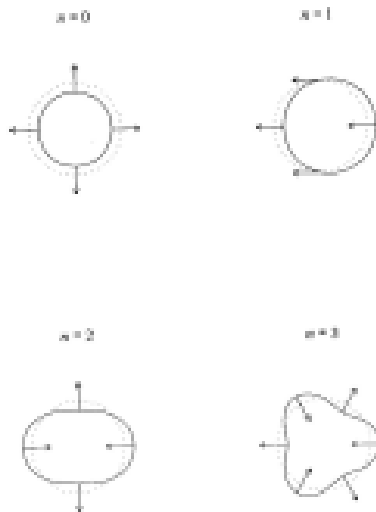


Fig. 6.2. A schematic diagram of the transverse beam deformations caused by Kelvin-Helmholtz modes with azimuthal mode numbers  $n = 0, 1, 2,$  and  $3$ . The dotted lines indicate the location of the boundary of the unperturbed beam, and the full lines indicate the distortion of the boundary caused by the modes.

### Cylindrical coordinates

Wave equation: Bessel form, e.g. Hardee 2000.

$$\frac{\beta_b J'_{\pm n}(\beta_b R_b)}{\chi_b J_{\pm n}(\beta_b R_b)} = \frac{\beta_a H'_{\pm n}(\beta_a R_b)}{\chi_a H_{\pm n}(\beta_a R_b)}$$

$$\beta_{b,a} = \gamma_{b,a} \left[ \frac{(\omega - kV_{b,a})^2}{c_{s_{b,a}}^2} - \left( k - \frac{\omega V_{b,a}}{c^2} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2}$$

$$\chi_{b,a} = \gamma_{b,a}^2 \left( \rho_{0_{b,a}} + \frac{\Gamma_{b,a}}{\Gamma_{b,a} - 1} \frac{P}{c^2} \right) (\omega - kV_{b,a})^2$$

$$f_1(r, \phi, z) = f_1(r) \exp [i(kz \pm n\phi - \omega t)]$$

azimuthal wavenumber ←

# Instabilities

KELVIN-HELMHOLTZ: magnetized flows

Hardee 2007

$$r^2 \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} P_1^* + r \frac{\partial}{\partial r} P_1^* + [\beta^2 r^2 - n^2] P_1^* = 0$$

$$\beta^2 = \frac{YX}{\gamma_0^2 W_0} \left[ 1 + \frac{V_A^2}{\gamma_0^2} \frac{Y}{(ku - \omega)} \right]^{-1}$$

$$+ kXC_z + \left[ 1 + \frac{V_A^2}{\gamma_0^2} \frac{Y}{(ku - \omega)} \right]^{-1} \left[ 2\gamma_0^2 (ku - \omega) \frac{u}{c^2} - \frac{V_A^2}{\gamma_0^2} Y \frac{k}{(ku - \omega)} \right] XC_z .$$

$$\frac{\beta_j J'_n(\beta_j R)}{\chi_j J_n(\beta_j R)} = \frac{\beta_e H_n^{(1)'}(\beta_e R)}{\chi_e H_n^{(1)}(\beta_e R)}$$

$$\beta_j^2 \equiv \left[ \frac{\gamma_j^2 (\varpi_j^2 - \kappa_j^2 a_j^2) (\varpi_j^2 - \kappa_j^2 v_{Aj}^2)}{v_{msj}^2 \varpi_j^2 - \kappa_j^2 v_{Aj}^2 a_j^2} \right]$$

$$\chi_j \equiv \gamma_j^2 \gamma_{Aj}^2 W_j (\varpi_j^2 - \kappa_j^2 v_{Aj}^2)$$

$$\varpi_{j,e}^2 \equiv (\omega - ku_{j,e})^2$$

$$\kappa_{j,e}^2 \equiv (k - \omega u_{j,e}/c^2)^2$$

$$\chi_e \equiv \gamma_e^2 \gamma_{Ae}^2 W_e (\varpi_e^2 - \kappa_e^2 v_{Ae}^2)$$

$$\gamma_{j,e} \equiv (1 - u_{j,e}^2/c^2)^{-1/2}$$

$$\beta_e^2 \equiv \left[ \frac{\gamma_e^2 (\varpi_{ex}^2 - \kappa_e^2 a_e^2) (\varpi_e^2 - \kappa_e^2 v_{Ae}^2)}{v_{mse}^2 \varpi_e^2 - \kappa_e^2 v_{Ae}^2 a_e^2} \right]$$

$$\gamma_{Aj,e} \equiv (1 - v_{Aj,e}^2/c^2)^{-1/2}$$

$$W \equiv \rho + [\Gamma/(\Gamma - 1)] P/c^2$$

$$f_1(r, \phi, z, t) = f_1(r) \exp[i(kz \pm n\phi - \omega t)]$$



# Instabilities

KELVIN-HELMHOLTZ: sheared flows

$$P_1'' + \left( \frac{2\gamma_0^2 v_{0z}' (k_z - \omega v_{0z})}{\omega - v_{0z} k_z} - \frac{\rho_{e,0}'}{\rho_{e,0} + P_0} \right) P_1' + \gamma_0^2 \left( \frac{(\omega - v_{0z} k_z)^2}{c_{s,0}^2} - (k_z - \omega v_{0z})^2 \right) P_1 = 0$$

planar coordinates

$$\frac{\partial^2 p}{\partial r^2} + F_1(r) \frac{\partial p}{\partial r} + F_2(r) p = 0,$$

cylindrical coordinates

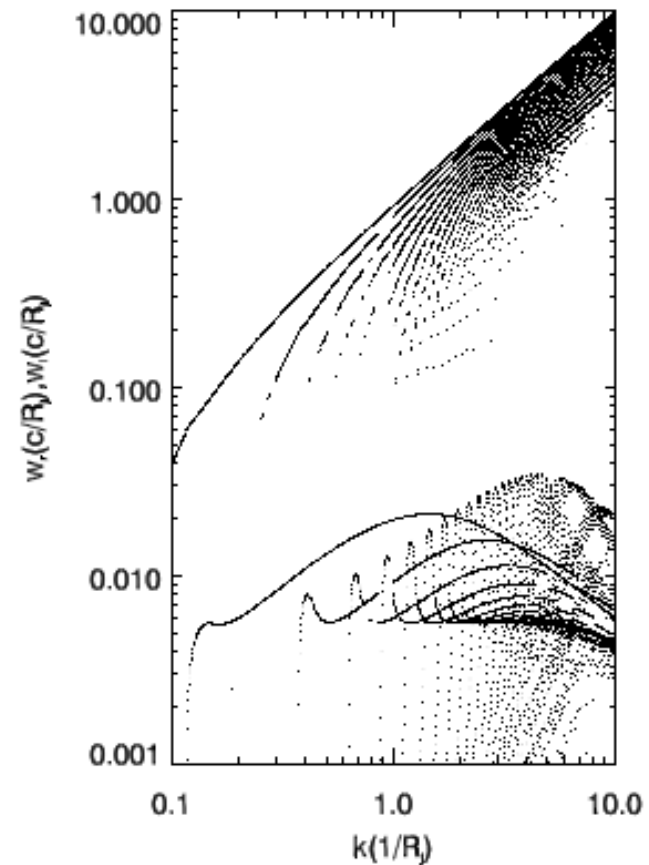
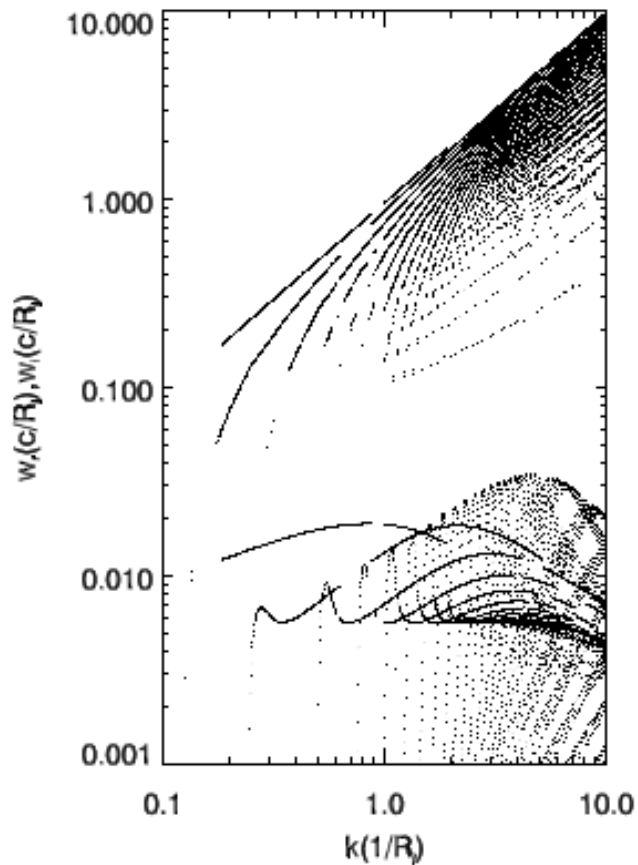
$$F_1(r) = \frac{1}{r} - 2 \frac{dv_{z,0}}{dr} \frac{\gamma_0^2 v_{z,0} (\omega - k_z v_{z,0}) + k_z}{\omega - k_z v_{z,0}} - \frac{d\rho_0'/dr}{\rho_0' h_0}$$

$$F_2(r) = \frac{(\omega - k_z v_{z,0})^2 \gamma_0^2}{c_{sj,0}^2} - \frac{n}{r^2} + \left( \gamma_0^2 v_{z,0} (\omega - k_z v_{z,0}) + k_z \right) (\omega v_{z,0} - k_z).$$

No dispersion relation.

# Instabilities

KELVIN-HELMHOLTZ: sheared flows

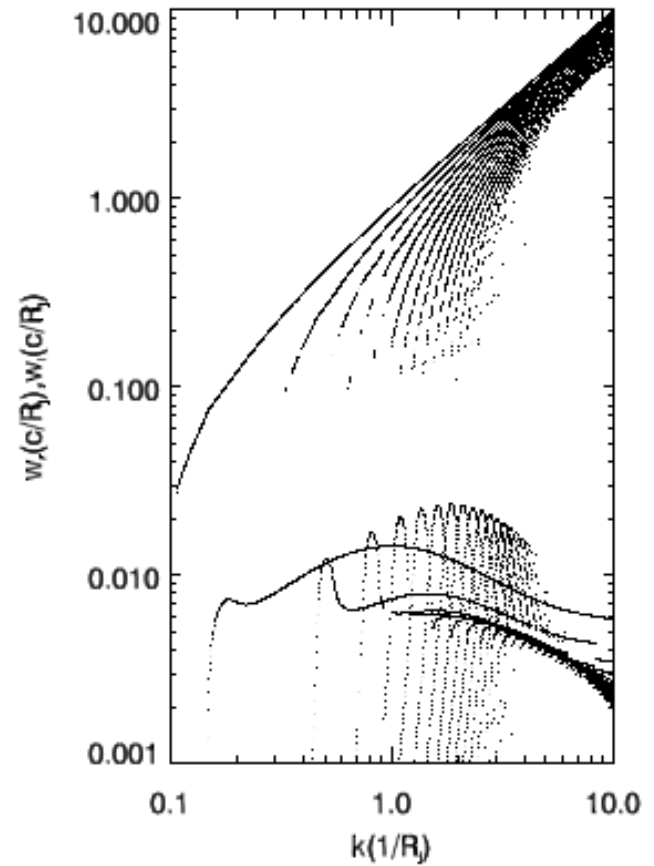
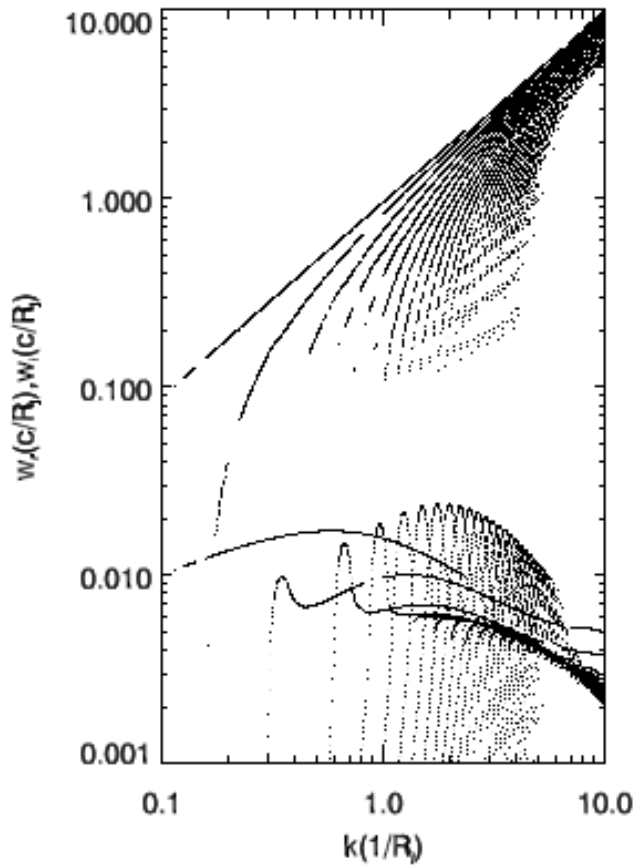


thin shear layer

resonant modes: faster growing for larger Lorentz factors.

# Instabilities

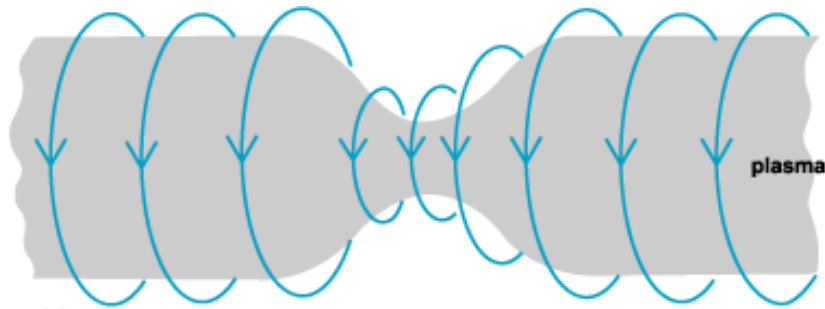
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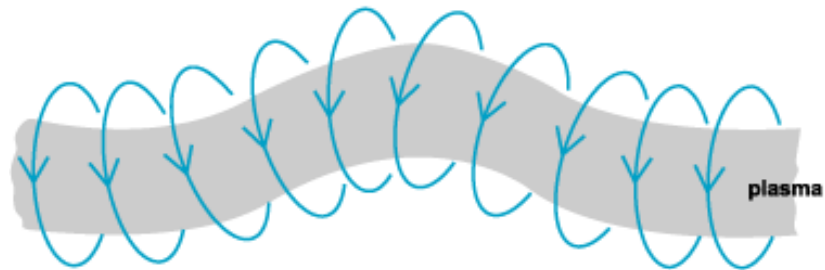
thicker shear layer

resonant modes: slower growing for thicker shear layers.

# Instabilities



sausage instability

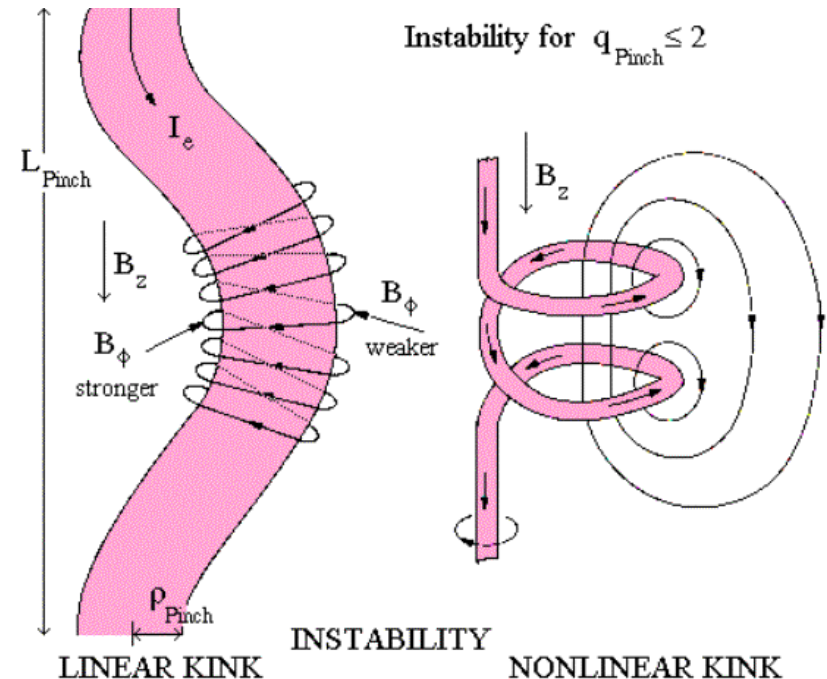


kink instability

an axial magnetic field would prevent their growth.

Only numerical works for relativistic flows.

Classical flows: e.g. Appl & Camenzind 1992, Appl 1996, Istomin & Pariev 1994, 1996, Begelman 1998, Lyubarskii 1992, 1999, Bonanno & Urpin 2010





# Outline of the second part numerical simulations of relativistic jets

- Introduction.
- Numerical codes and first simulations.
- Parsec-scale jets.
- Long-term evolution.
- Instabilities.
- The largest scales: energy deposition in the ambient.

# Relativistic hydrodynamics: SRHD equations

$$\frac{\partial D}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (D\mathbf{v}) = 0 \quad (\text{mass conservation})$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{S}}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{S} \otimes \mathbf{v} + p\mathbf{I}) = 0 \quad (\text{momentum conservation})$$

$$\frac{\partial \tau}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{S} - D\mathbf{v}) = 0 \quad (\text{energy conservation})$$

## STATE VECTOR

$$\mathbf{U} = (D, S^1, S^2, S^3, \tau)$$

## FLUX VECTORS

$$\mathbf{F}^i = (Dv^i, S^1v^i + \delta^{1i}, S^2v^i + \delta^{2i}, S^3v^i + \delta^{3i}, S^i - Dv^i)$$

## DEFINITIONS

$D = \rho W$ : relativistic rest-mass density.

$\mathbf{S} = \rho h W^2 \mathbf{v}$ : relativistic momentum density.

$\tau = \rho h W^2 c^2 - p - \rho W c^2$ : relativistic energy density.

$\mathbf{v}$ : fluid flow velocity.

$W = 1/\sqrt{1 - \mathbf{v}^2/c^2}$ : flow Lorentz factor.

## FLUID REST FRAME QUANTITIES

$\rho$ : proper rest-mass density.

$h = 1 + \varepsilon/c^2 + p/\rho c^2$ : specific enthalpy.

$\varepsilon$ : specific internal energy.

$p$ : pressure.

## RELATIVISTIC EFFECTS

$$h \geq 1 \quad (\varepsilon \geq c^2)$$

$$W \geq 1 \quad (v \rightarrow c)$$

# Relativistic Magnetohydrodynamics

RMHD: Describes the dynamics of relativistic, electrically conducting fluids in the presence of magnetic fields.

Ideal RMHD: Absence of viscosity effects and heat conduction in the limit of infinite conductivity.

The relativistic description is easier in terms of the MAGNETIC FIELD FOUR-VECTOR IN THE LOCAL FLUID REST FRAME,  $b^\mu = (b^0, \mathbf{b})$ .

## EQUATIONS

$$\frac{\partial D}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (D\mathbf{v}) = 0 \quad (\text{mass conservation})$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{S}^*}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot ((\mathbf{S}^* + b^0 \mathbf{b}) \otimes \mathbf{v} + p^* \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{b} \otimes \mathbf{b}) = 0$$

(momentum conservation)

$$\frac{\partial \tau^*}{\partial t} + \nabla \cdot (\mathbf{S}^* - D\mathbf{v}) = 0 \quad (\text{energy conservation})$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{B}}{\partial t} - \nabla \times (\mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}) = 0 \quad (\text{induction equation})$$

$$\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0 \quad (\text{magnetic flux conservation})$$

$$b^0 = W(\mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{B}), \quad \sigma \equiv \frac{|b|^2}{\rho} \left( = \frac{2p_{\text{mag}}}{\rho} \right).$$

$$b^i = \frac{B^i}{W} + v^i b^0.$$

## DEFINITIONS

$\mathbf{S}^* = \rho h^* W^2 \mathbf{v} - b^0 \mathbf{b}$ : relativistic momentum density.

$\tau^* = \rho h^* W^2 c^2 - p^* - (b^0)^2 - \rho W c^2$ : relativistic energy density.

$\mathbf{B} = W(\mathbf{b} - b^0 \mathbf{v}/c)$ : laboratory magnetic field

## FLUID REST FRAME QUANTITIES

$p^* = p(1 + \beta)$ ;  $\beta$ : magnetization, magnetic to internal (gas) energy density ratio.

$h^* = h + \sigma$ ;  $\sigma$ : magnetic to rest mass energy density ratio.

## RELATIVISTIC/MAGNETIC EFFECTS

$$\beta \geq 1$$

$\beta, \sigma \geq 1$ : force-free magnetic field; Poynting flux dominated flow



# relativistic hydrodynamics

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{F}^i(\mathbf{u})}{\partial x^i} = 0 \quad \mathbf{u} = (D, S^1, S^2, S^3, \tau)^T$$

$$\mathbf{F}^i(\mathbf{u}) = (D v^i, S^1 v^i + p \delta^{1i}, S^2 v^i + p \delta^{2i}, S^3 v^i + p \delta^{3i}, S^i - D v^i)^T$$

$$D = \rho W \quad , \quad v^i = u^i / u^0$$

$$S^i = \rho h W^2 v^i, \quad i = 1, 2, 3 \quad , \quad W = u^0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - v^i v_i}}$$

$$\tau = \rho h W^2 - p - D \quad ,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d\mathbf{U}_{\mathbf{i},\mathbf{j},\mathbf{k}}}{dt} = & -\frac{1}{\Delta x} \left( \tilde{\mathbf{F}}_{i+\frac{1}{2},j,k}^x - \tilde{\mathbf{F}}_{i-\frac{1}{2},j,k}^x \right) - \frac{1}{\Delta y} \left( \tilde{\mathbf{F}}_{i,j+\frac{1}{2},k}^y - \tilde{\mathbf{F}}_{i,j-\frac{1}{2},k}^y \right) - \\ & \frac{1}{\Delta z} \left( \tilde{\mathbf{F}}_{i,j,k+\frac{1}{2}}^z - \tilde{\mathbf{F}}_{i,j,k-\frac{1}{2}}^z \right) + \mathbf{S}_{i,j,k} \equiv \mathbf{L}(\mathbf{U}), \end{aligned}$$

Time integration using Runge-Kutta method.

# relativistic hydrodynamics

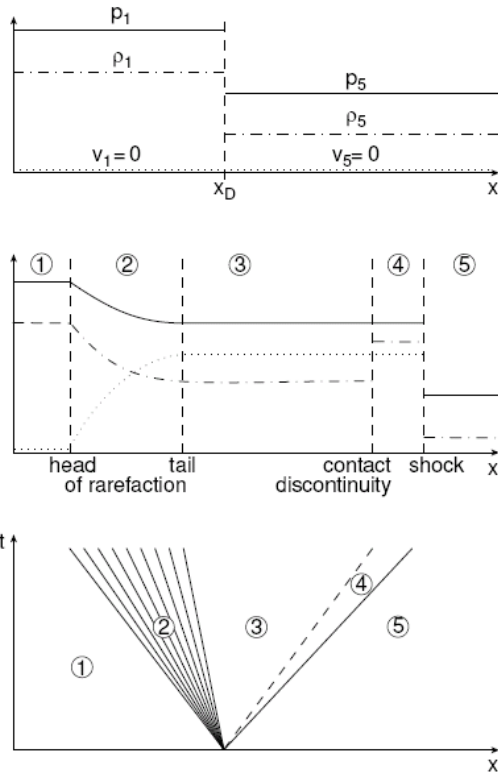


Figure 1: Schematic solution of a Riemann problem in special relativistic hydrodynamics. The initial state at  $t = 0$  (top figure) consists of two constant states 1 and 5 with  $p_1 > p_5$ ,  $\rho_1 > \rho_5$ , and  $v_1 = v_2 = 0$  separated by a diaphragm at  $x_D$ . The evolution of the flow pattern once the diaphragm is removed (middle figure) is illustrated in a spacetime diagram (bottom figure) with a shock wave (solid line) and a contact discontinuity (dashed line) moving to the right. The bundle of solid lines represents a rarefaction wave propagating to the left.

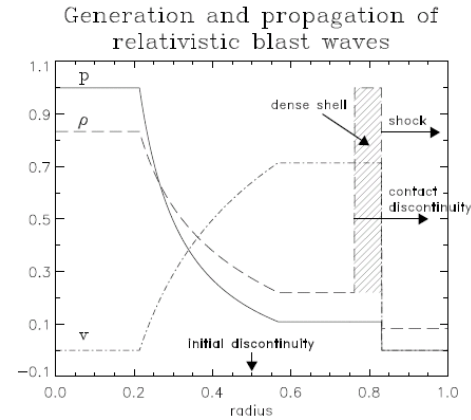


Figure 7: Generation and propagation of a relativistic blast wave (schematic). The large pressure jump at a discontinuity initially located at  $r = 0.5$  gives rise to a blast wave and a dense shell of material propagating at relativistic speeds. For appropriate initial conditions both the speed of the leading shock front and the velocity of the shell approach the speed of light, producing very narrow structures.

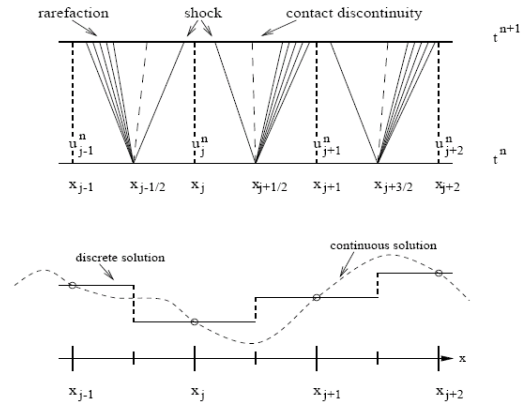
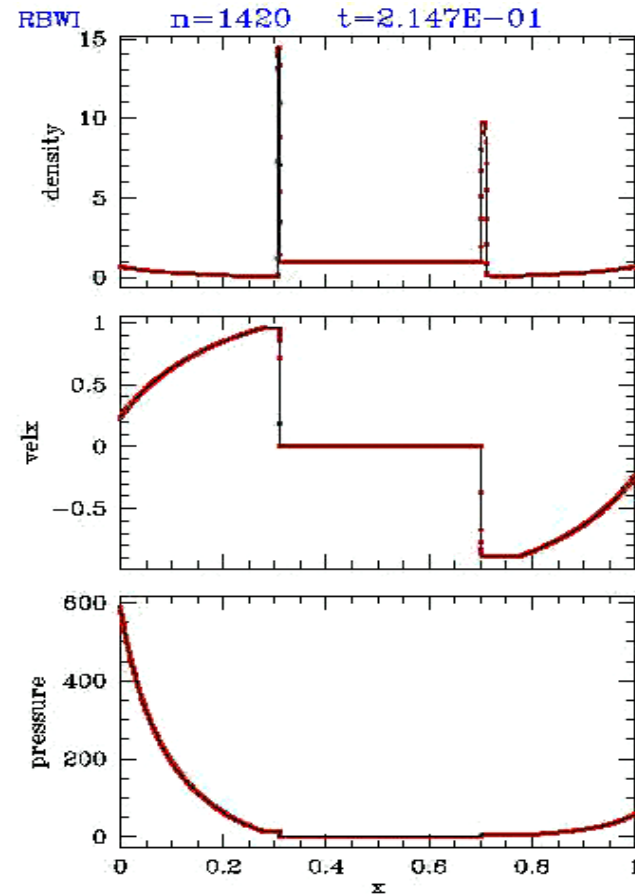
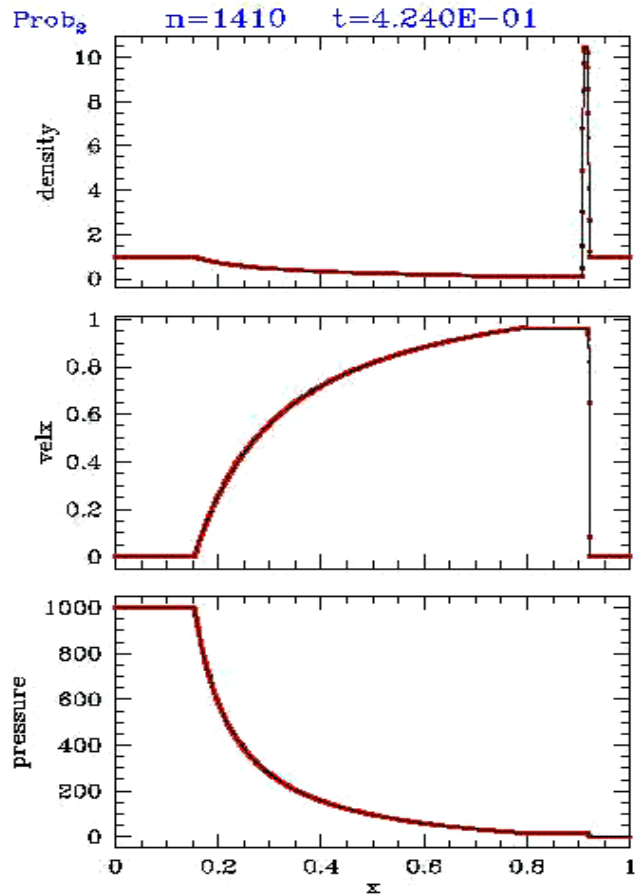


Figure 2: Godunov's scheme: local solutions of Riemann problems. At every interface,  $x_{j-\frac{1}{2}}$ ,  $x_{j+\frac{1}{2}}$  and  $x_{j+\frac{3}{2}}$ , a local Riemann problem is set up as a result of the discretization process (bottom panel), when approximating the numerical solution by piecewise constant data. At time  $t^n$  these discontinuities decay into three elementary waves which propagate the solution forward to the next time level  $t^{n+1}$  (top panel). The time step of the numerical scheme must satisfy the Courant-Friedrichs-Lewy condition, being small enough to prevent the waves from advancing more than  $\Delta x/2$  in  $\Delta t$ .

# relativistic hydrodynamics

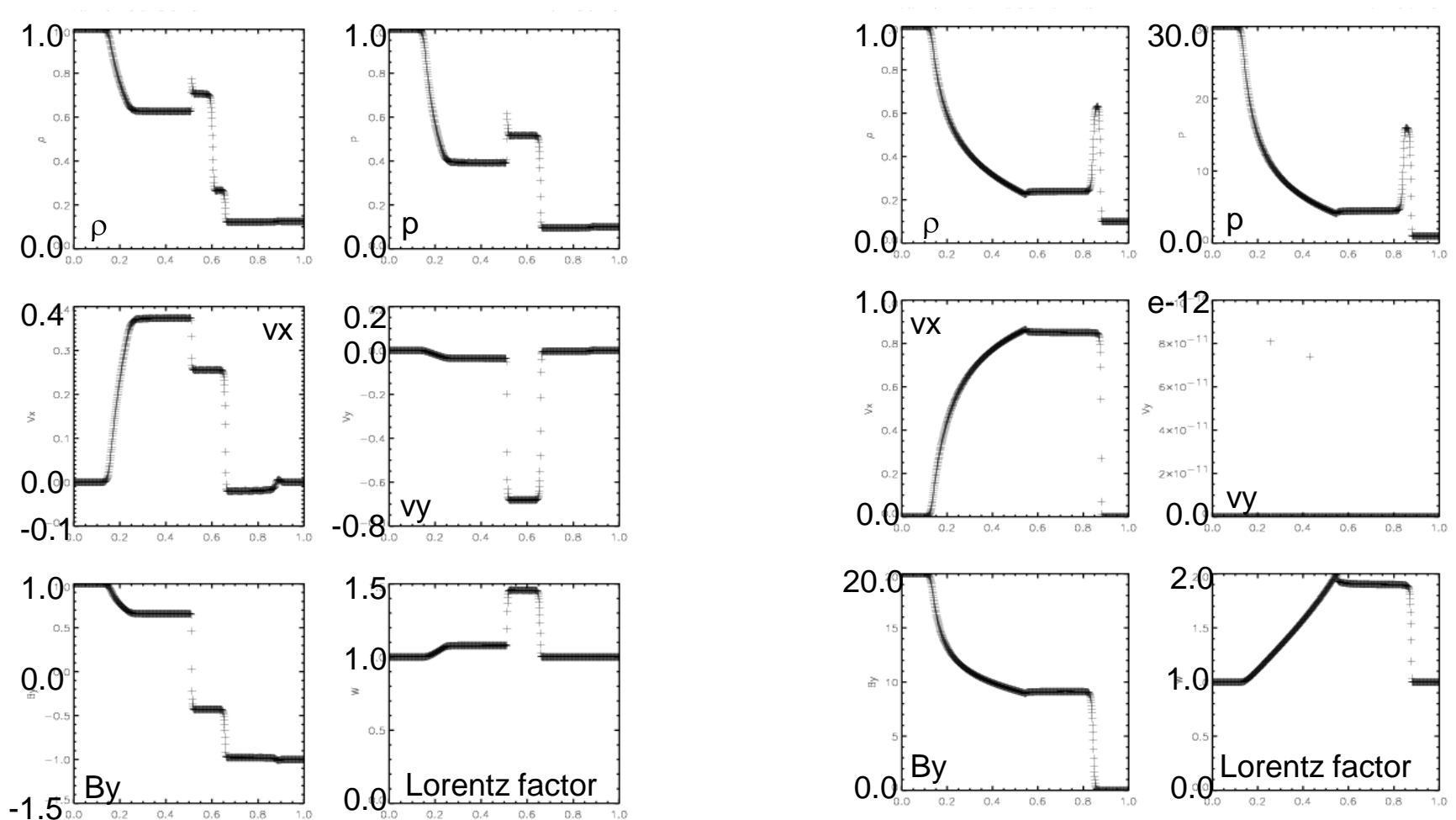
See Martí & Müller, Numerical Hydrodynamics in Special Relativity, Living Reviews in Relativity, <http://www.livingreviews.org/Articles/lrr-2003-7>



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# relativistic magnetohydrodynamics

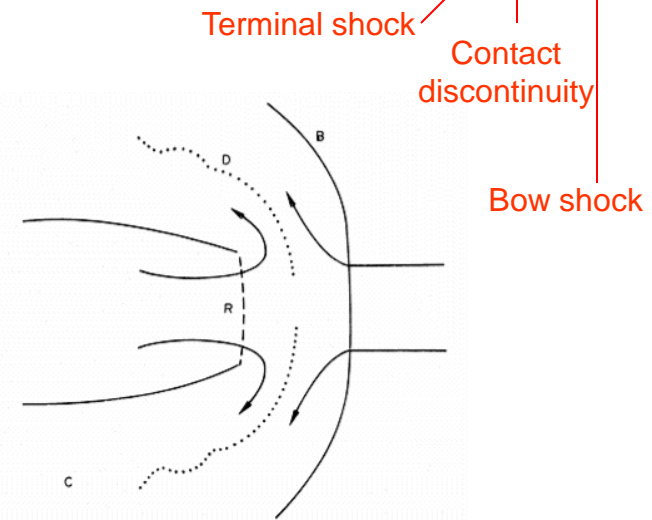
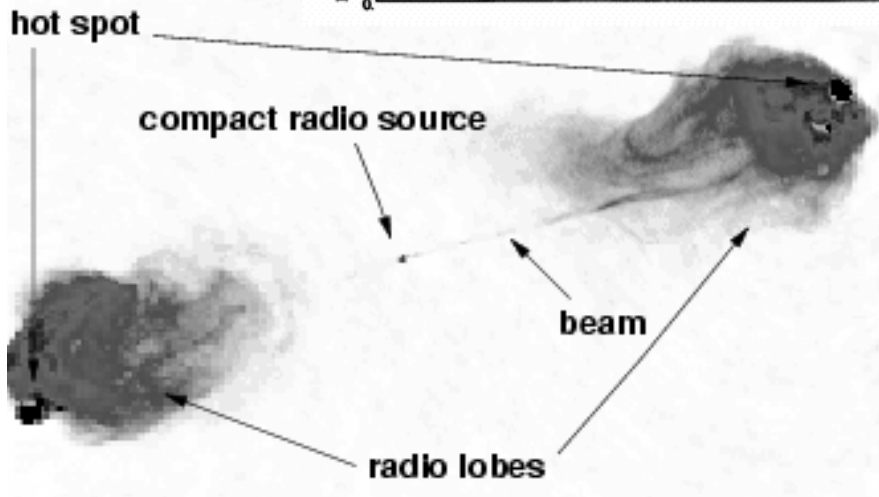
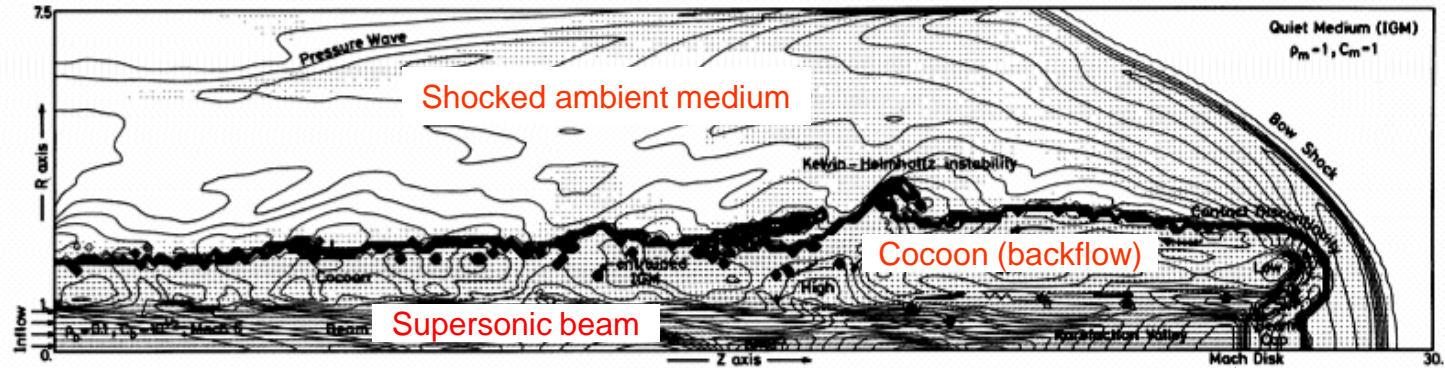
Fast, slow shocks & rarefactions; Alfvén waves; shock tubes.



Antón et al. 2005 (also Komissarov 1999, van Putten 1993, Balsara 2001, Del Zanna et al. 2002, De Villiers & Hawley 2003, ...)

# first jet simulations (classical jets)

Hydrodynamical non-relativistic simulations (Rayburn 1977; Norman et al. 1982) verified the basic jet model for classical radio sources (Blandford & Rees 1974; Scheuer 1974) and allowed to identify the structural components of jets.

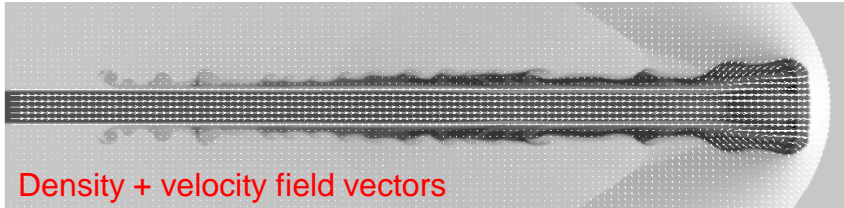


Morphology and dynamics governed by the interaction with the external medium.

# relativistic jet simulations

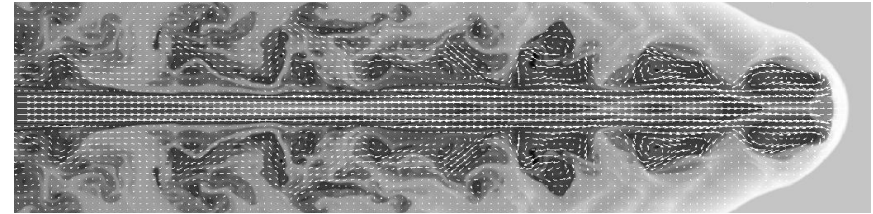
First relativistic simulations (2D): van Putten 1993, Martí et al. 1994, 1995, 1997; Duncan & Hughes 1994

## Relativistic, hot jet models



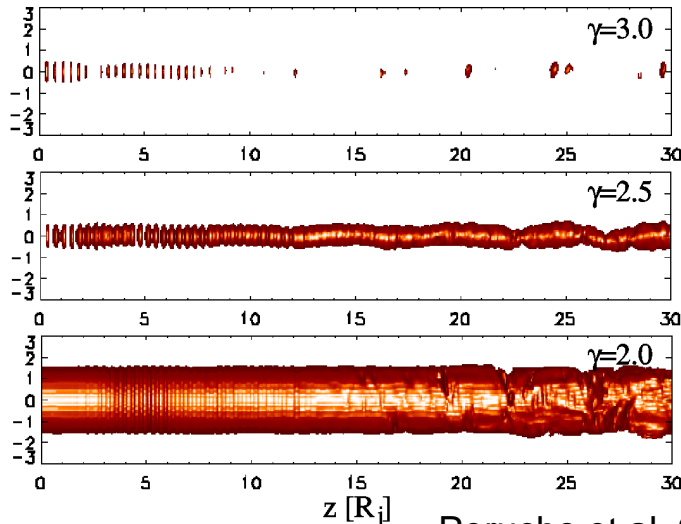
“featureless” jet + thin cocoons without backflow + stable terminal shock: naked quasar jets (e.g., 3C273)

## Relativistic, cold jet models



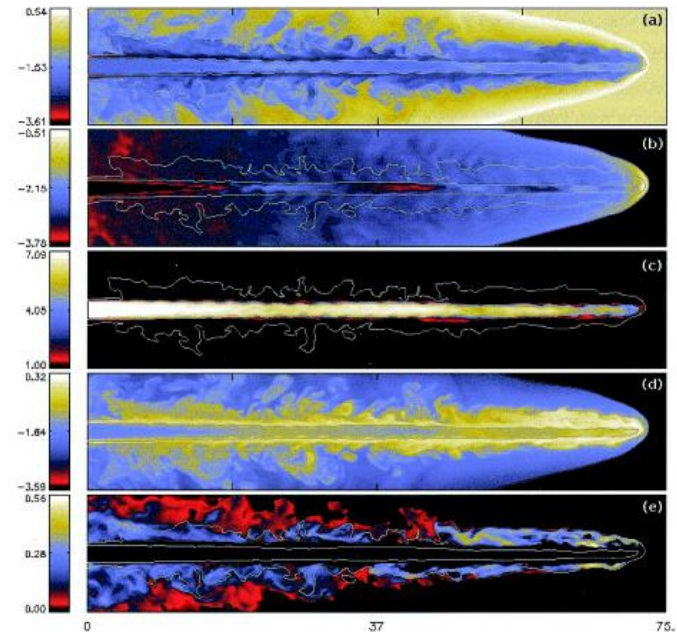
“knotty” jet + extended cocoon + dynamical working surface: FR II radio galaxies and lobe dominated quasars (e.g., Cyg A)

3D simulations (Nishikawa et al. 1997, 1998; Aloy et al. 1999; Hughes et al. 2002, Perucho et al. 2006, ...)



20-30 Mcells

Perucho et al. 2006



8.6 Mcells

Aloy et al. 1999

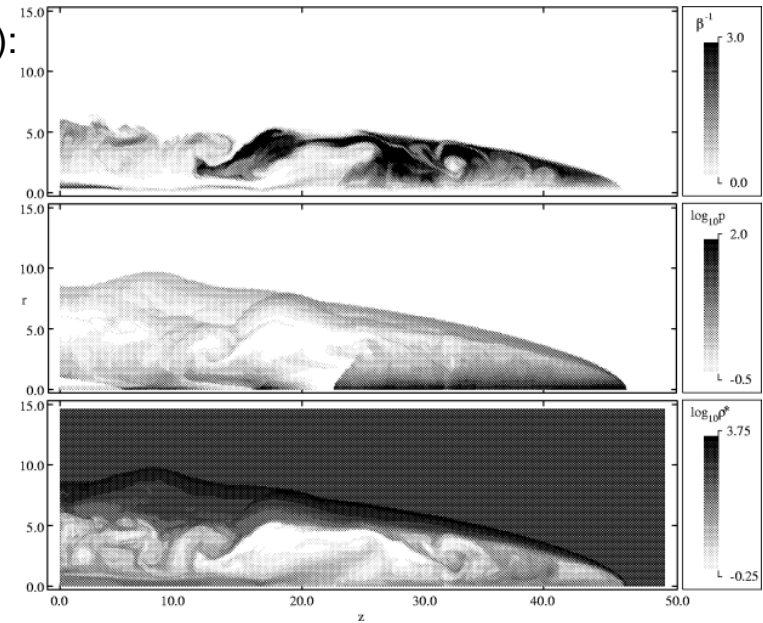
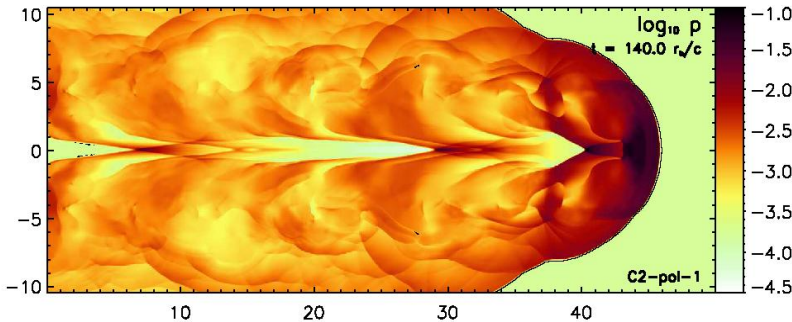
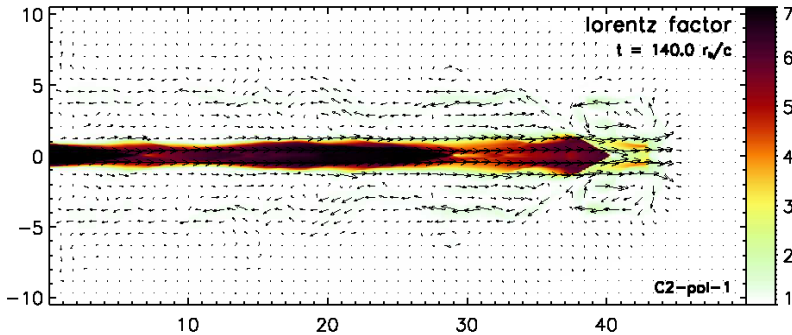
# RMHD simulations

(Nishikawa et al. 1997, 1998; Komissarov 1999; Leismann et al. 2005, Keppens et al. 2008)

Relativistic jet propagation along aligned and oblique magnetic fields (Nishikawa et al. 1997, 1998)

Relativistic jets carrying toroidal magnetic fields (Komissarov 1999):

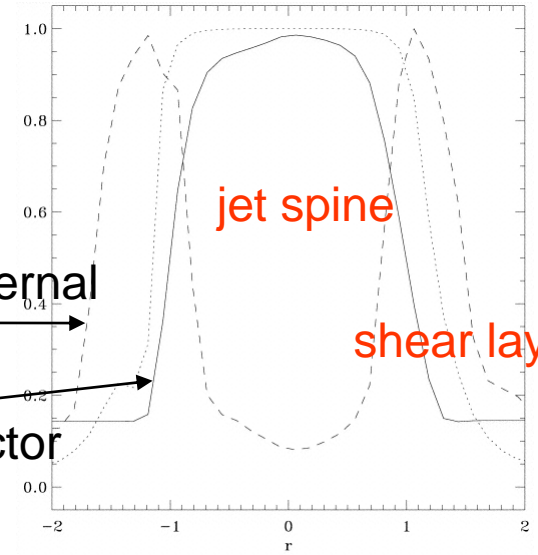
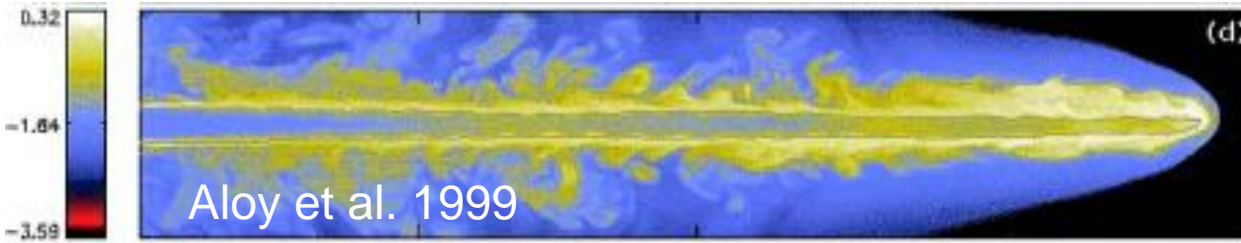
- Beams are pinched
- Large nose cones (already discovered in classical MHD simulations) develop in the case of jets with Poynting flux
- Low Poynting flux jets may develop magnetically confining cocoons (large scale jet confinement by dynamically important magnetic fields)



Models with poloidal magnetic fields (Leismann et al. 2005):

- The magnetic tension along the jet affects the structure and dynamics of the flow.
- Comparison with models with toroidal magnetic fields:
  - The magnetic field is almost evacuated from the cocoon. Cocoons are smoother.
  - Oblique shocks in the beam are weaker.

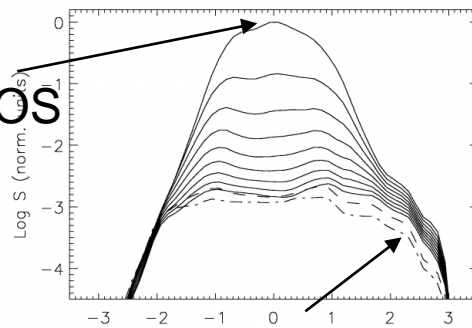
# parsec-scale jets



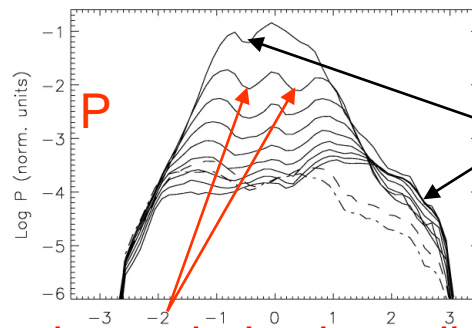
shear layers in relativistic jets

Intensity across the jet

$10^\circ$  to the LOS



$90^\circ$  to the LOS



top/down asymmetry

Aloy et al. 2000



# parsec-scale jets

In order to compare with observations, simulations of parsec scale jets must account for relativistic effects (**light aberration, Doppler shift, light travel time delays**) in the emission

**Basic hydro/emission coupling** (only synchrotron emission considered so far; Gómez et al. 1995, 1997; Mioduszewski et al. 1997; Komissarov and Falle 1997):

- Dynamics governed by the thermal (hydrodynamic) population
- Particle and energy densities of the radiating (non-thermal) and hydrodynamic populations proportional (valid for adiabatic processes)
- (Dynamically negligible) ad-hoc magnetic field with the energy density proportional to fluid energy density
- Integration of the radiative transfer eqs. in the observer's frame for the Stokes parameters along the LoS
  - Time delays: emission ( $\epsilon_\nu$ ) and absorption coefficients ( $\kappa_\nu$ ) computed at retarded times
  - Doppler boosting (aberration + Doppler shift):

$$\epsilon_\nu^{ob} = \delta^2 \epsilon_\nu, \kappa_\nu^{ob} = \delta^{-1} \kappa_\nu, \delta = v^{ob} / v = \delta(\Gamma, \cos\theta)$$

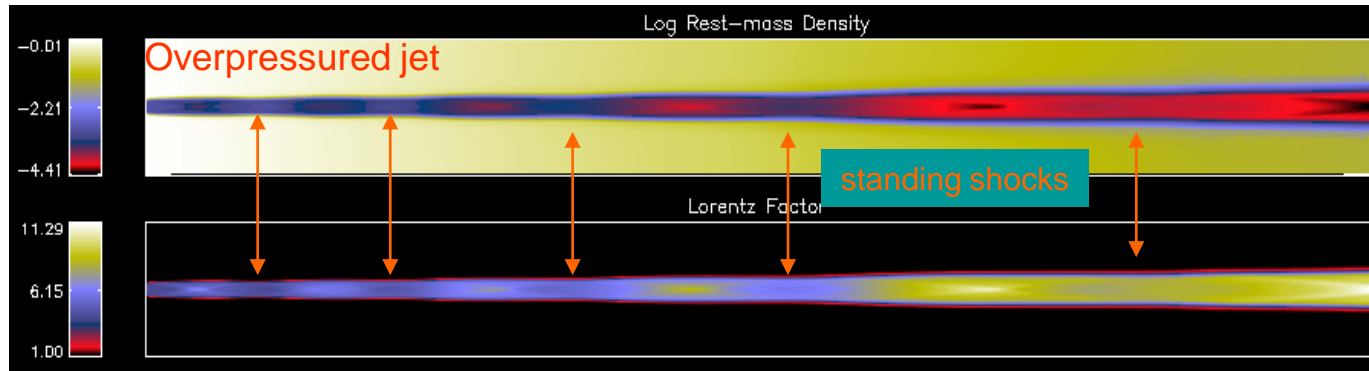
## Improvements:

- Include magnetic fields consistently (passive magnetic fields: Hughes 2006; RMHD models: Roca-Sogorb, MP et al.)
- Compute relativistic electron transport during the jet evolution to account for adiabatic and radiative losses and particle acceleration of the non-thermal population (non-relativistic MHD sims.: Jones et al. 1999; R(M)HD sims: Mimica et al. 2009)
- Include inverse Compton to account for the spectra at high energies
- Include emission back reaction on the flow (important at high frequencies)

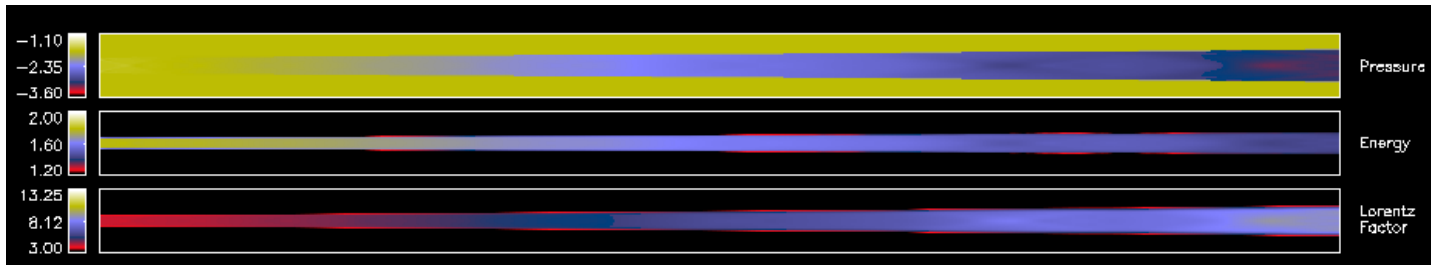
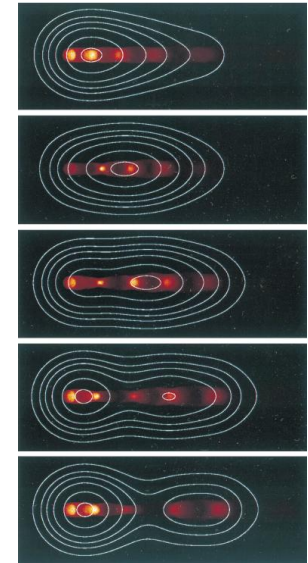
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RHD jet simulations and emission:

- Komissarov & Falle 1996, 1997
- Gomez et al 1996, 1997, Agudo et al. 2001, Aloy et al. 2003



Gómez et al. 1997



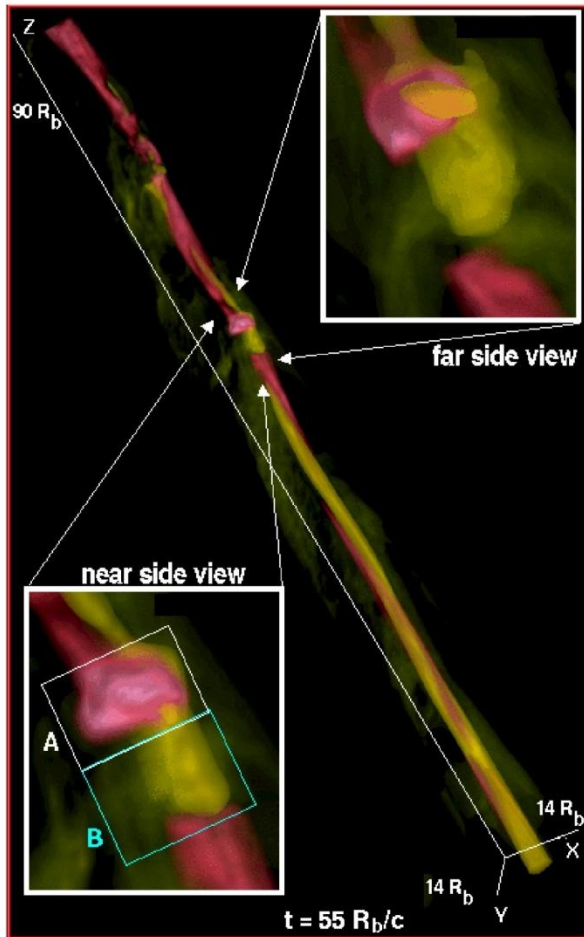
## Simulated Radio Maps of Relativistic Jets

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Agudo et al. 2001

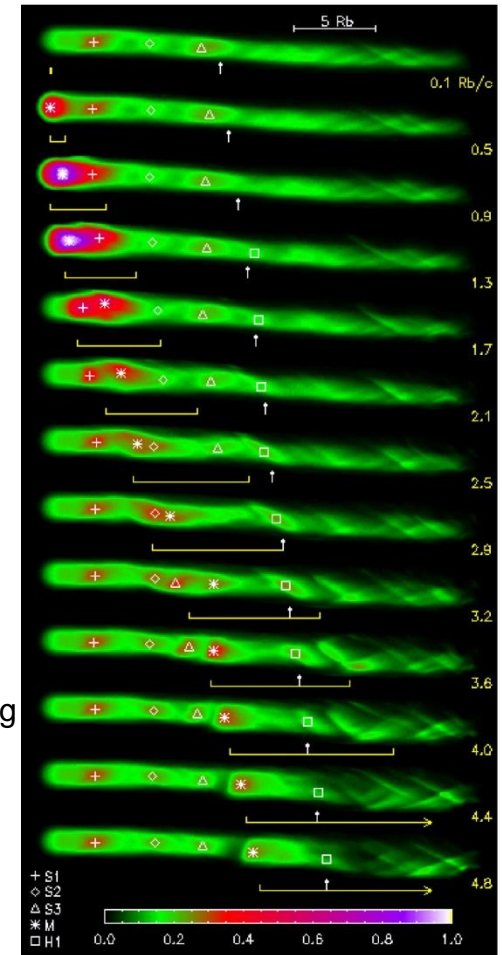
# parsec-scale jets

Precession and component injection in 3D and comparison with observations



Three-dimensional ray-casting view of the simulated jet in the LAB frame. The image is produced by ray-tracing the Lorentz factor and the pressure, assigning an opacity to each volume element proportional to the magnitude of each variable.

Time sequence of the simulated radio maps (total intensity in arbitrary units using a square root brightness scale) as seen in the O-frame. The epoch is shown at the right of each snapshot. The maps are computed for a viewing angle of  $15^\circ$  and an optically thin frequency of 22 GHz.



Aloy et al. 2003: 3D hydro + **emission (synchrotron) sims.** of relativistic precessing jets (including light aberration, Doppler shift and light travel time delays)

# parsec-scale jets

Roca-Sogorb, MP, et al.

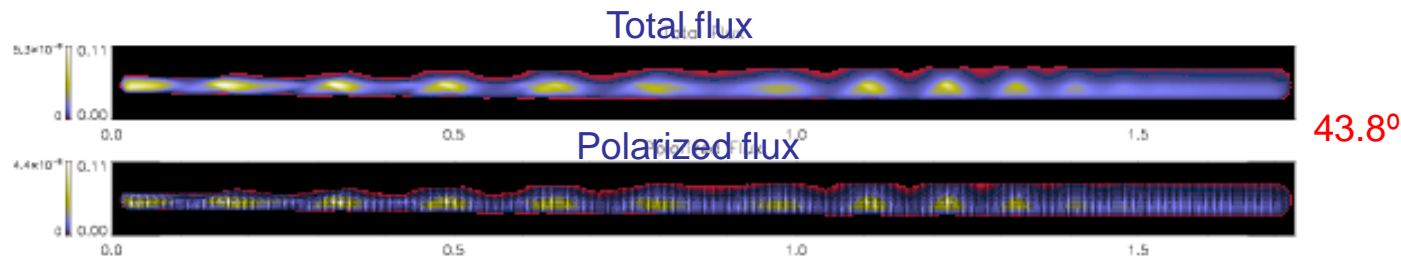
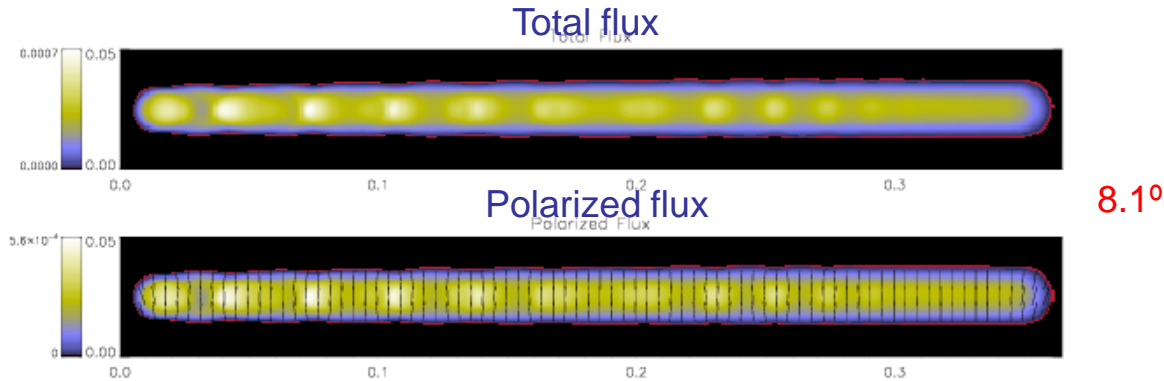
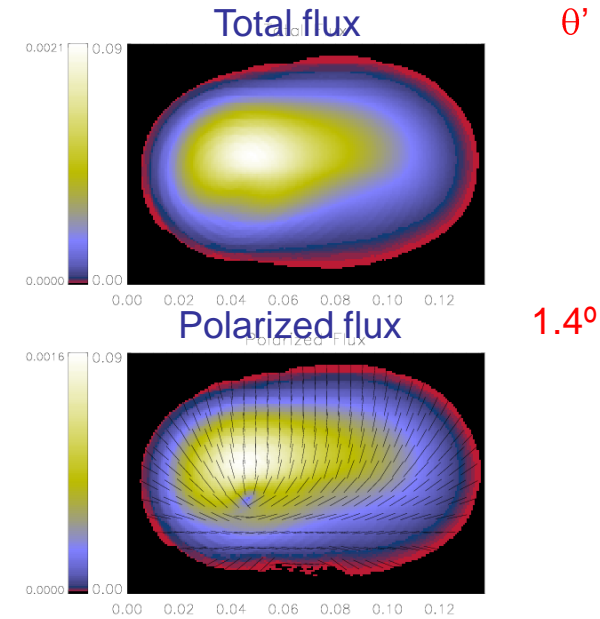
## Goals:

- Interpret the phenomenology of polarization radio maps (role of shear layers, shocks, magnetic field configurations,...)
- probe the dynamical importance of magnetic fields

## RMHD model:

- Beam flow velocity: 0.99c
- (hydrodynamic) beam Mach number: 1.75
- Overpressured jet: beam-to-ambient hydrodynamic pressure = 2
- Equipartition helical magnetic field (pitch angle: 20°)

Results confirm emission asymmetry variations as a function of the observer's angle to the LoS,  $\theta'$  (Aloy et al. 2000)

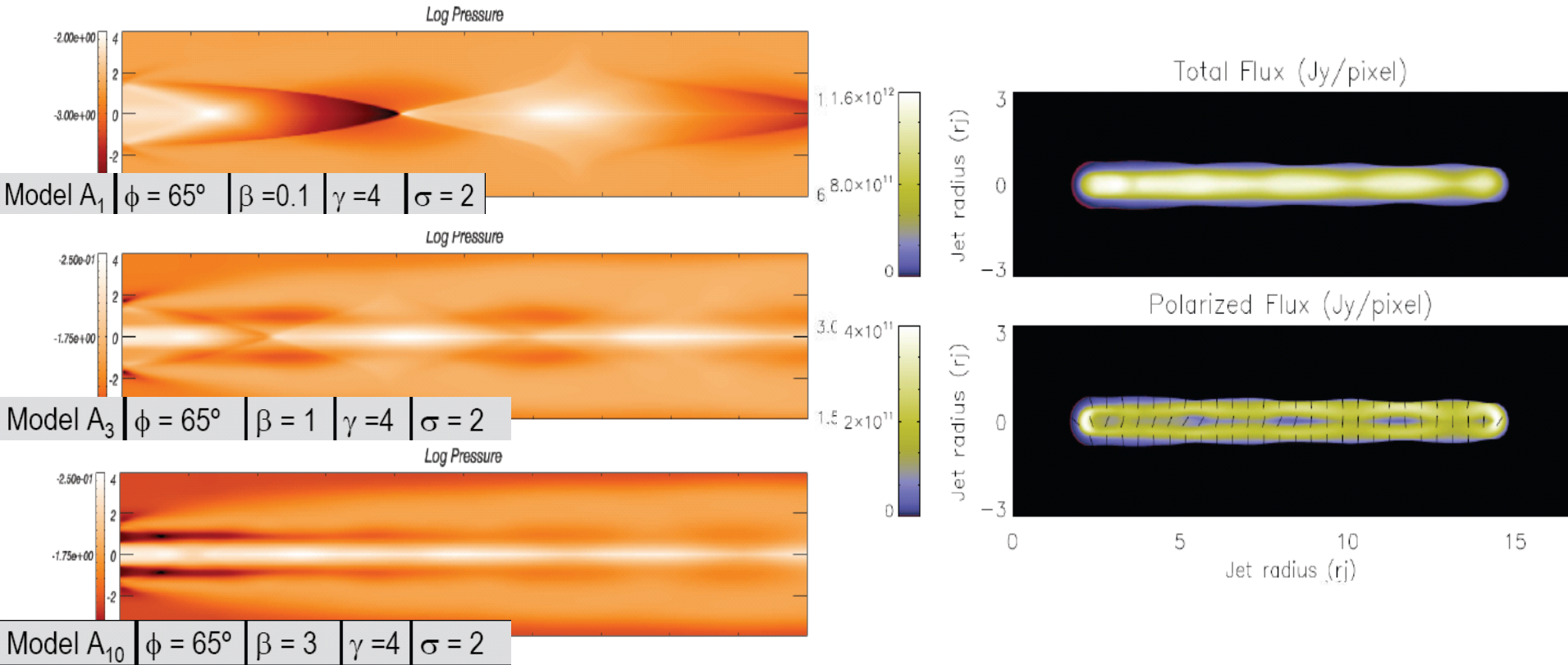


# parsec-scale jets

RMHD jet simulations and emission:

- Roca-Sogorb, MP et al.

$\alpha=14^\circ$



✓ For values of  $\beta > 1$ , is the magnetic field, instead of the thermal pressure, the one that controls the jet dynamics. Jets more magnetized present more and weaker shocks in the grid length.

✓ We suggest that jets presenting stationary components may have a relative weak magnetization, with  $\beta$  close or below equipartition.

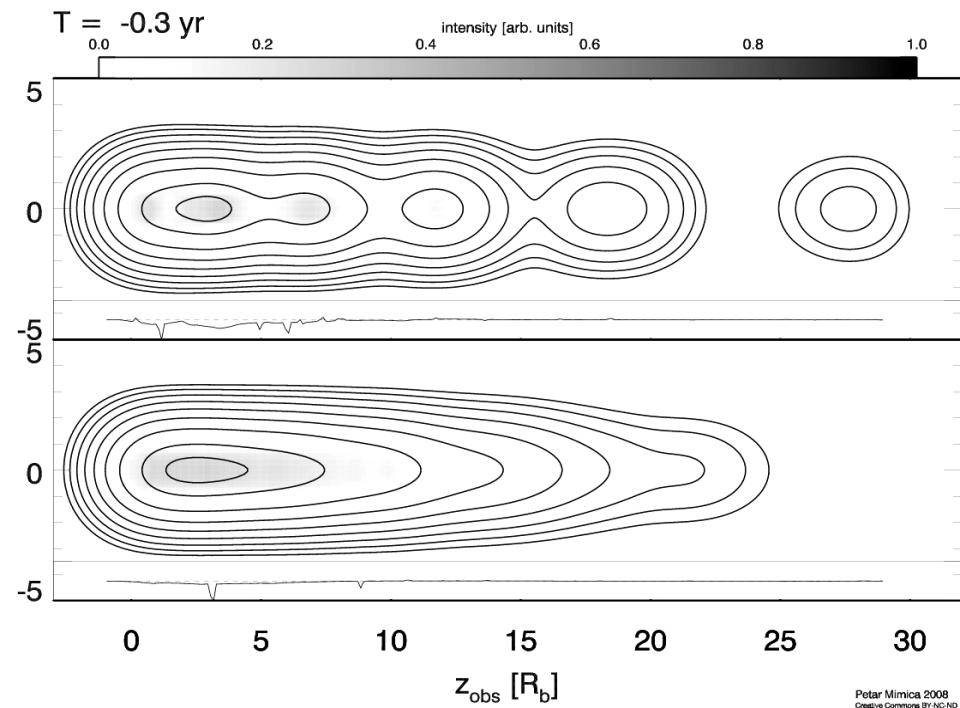
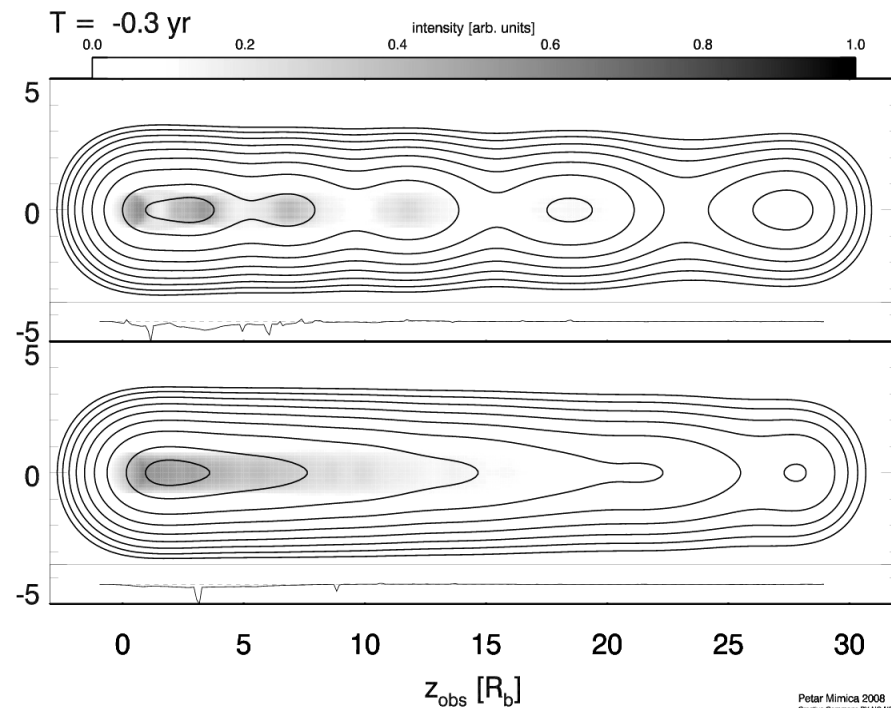
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Mimica et al. 2008

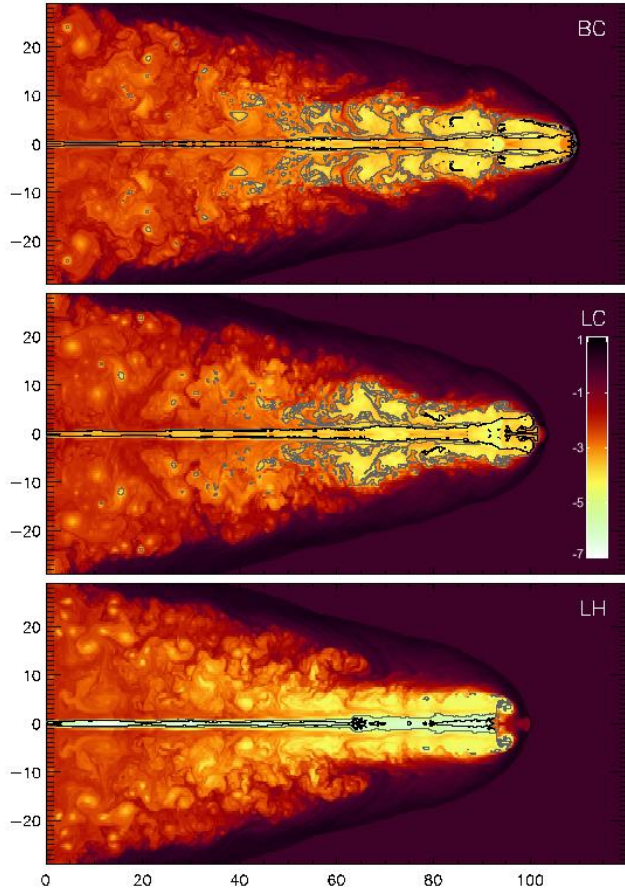
Spectral evolution along with the RHD simulation:

- expensive, implies evolving the ultrarelativistic particles along with the RHD eqs.

Emission: SPEV (Spectral Evolution) – LOSE (Local Synchrotron Emissivity)

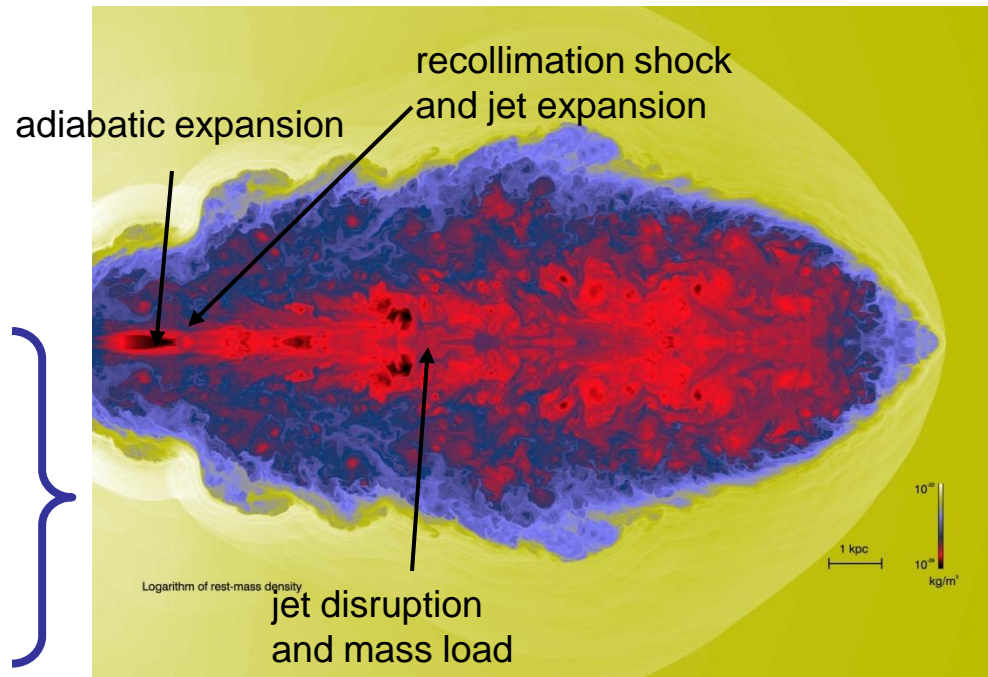


# long-term evolution



Long term evolution and jet composition (Scheck et al. 2002):

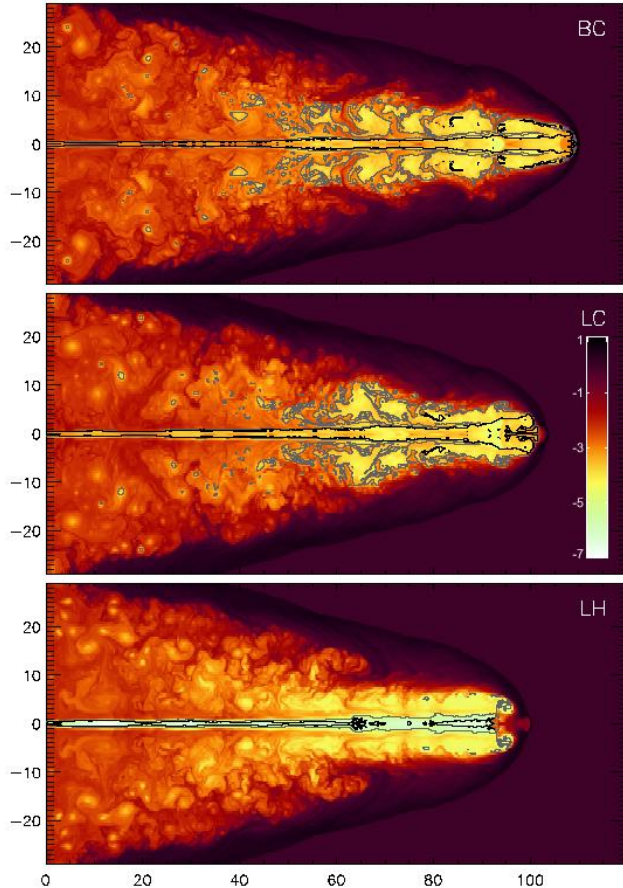
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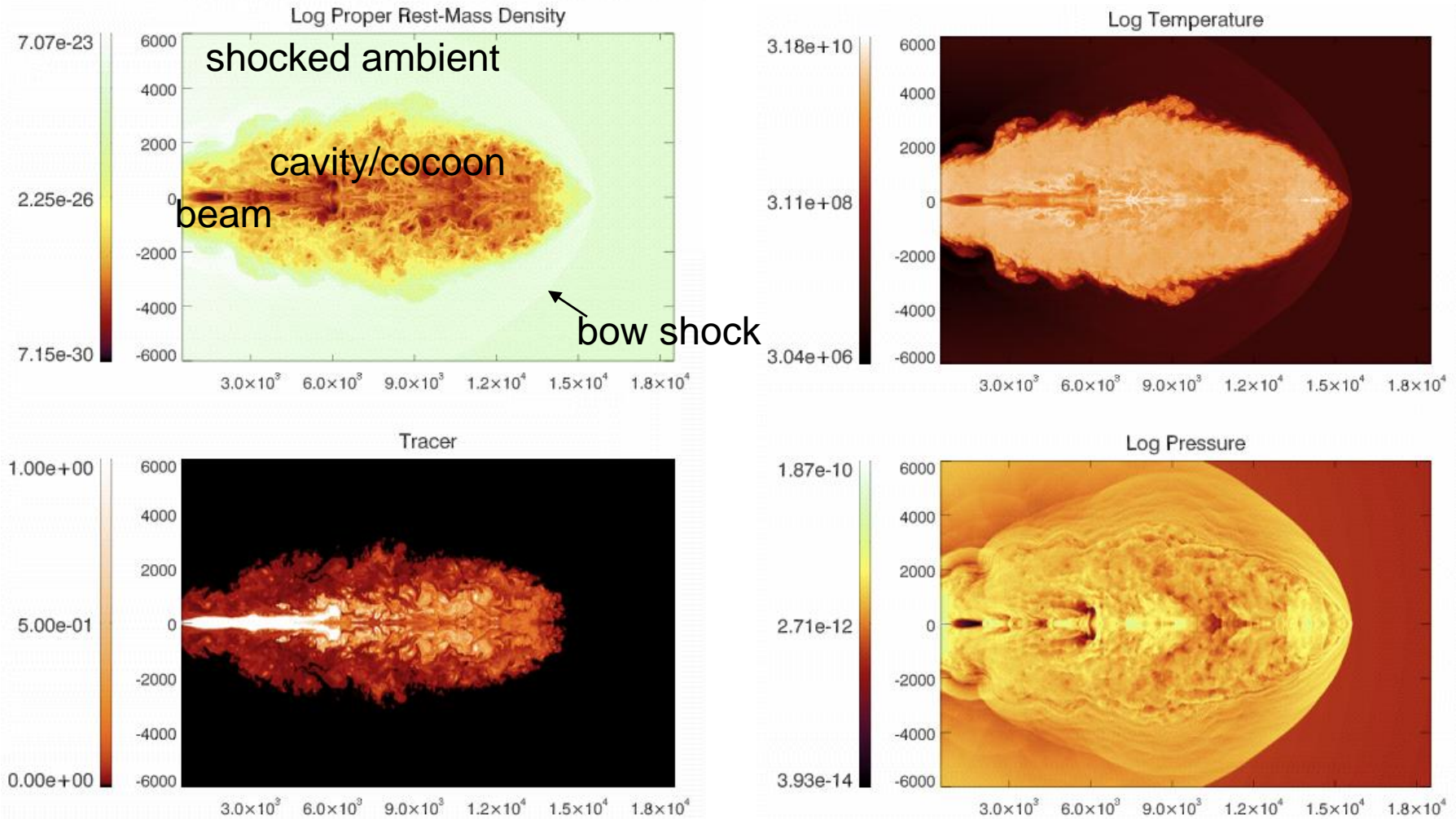
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Perucho & Martí 2007

Last snapshot ( $T = 7 \cdot 10^6$  yrs  $\sim 10\%$  lifetime of 3C31)



Bow shock Mach number  $\sim 2.5$ , consistent with recent X-ray observations by Kraft et al. 2003 (Cen A) and Croston et al. 2007 (NGC3081)

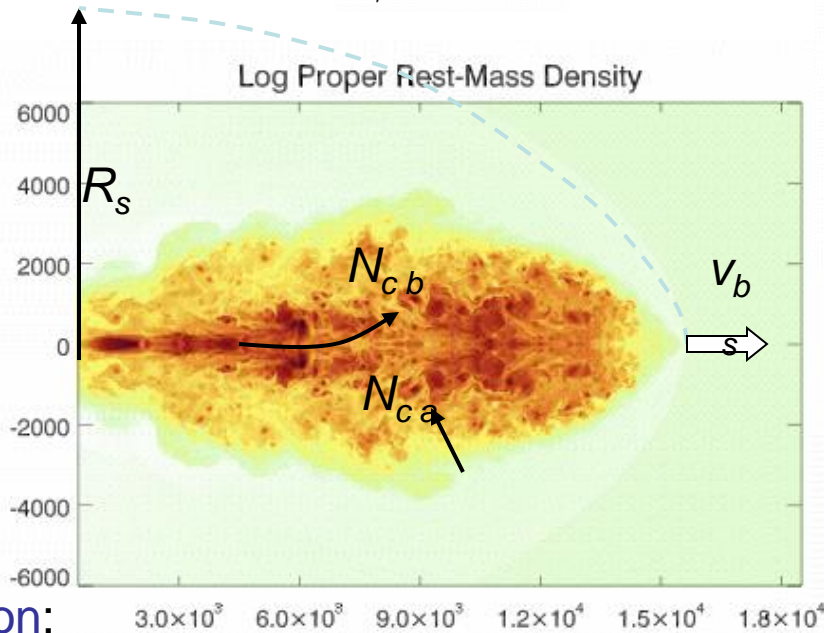
# long-term evolution

Extended B&C model: (Perucho & Martí)

$$v_{bs} \propto t^\alpha \quad \alpha \sim -0.1, \beta \sim -1 \quad R_s \propto t^{0.7}$$

$$\rho_a \propto R_s^\beta \quad P_s \propto t^{-1.3}$$

$$l_s/R_s \propto t^{0.2}$$



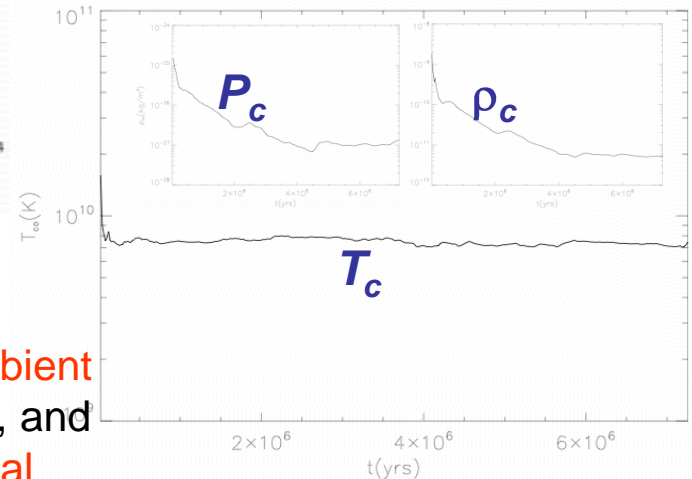
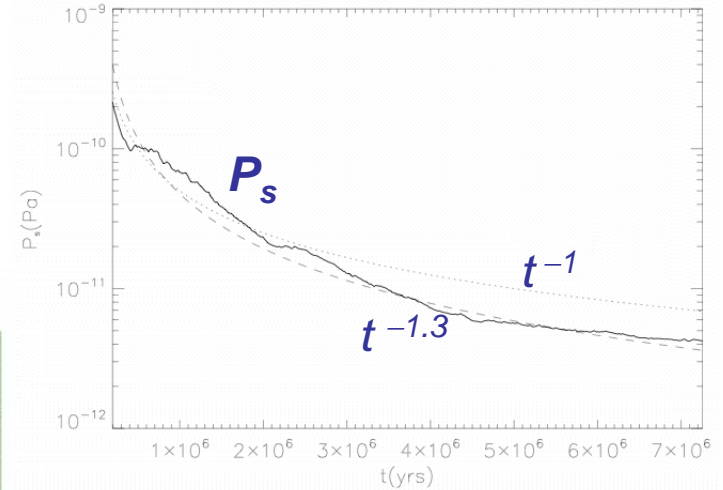
Cocoon evolution:

$$P_c \sim P_s \propto \frac{L_j}{v_{bs} A_s} \quad T_c \propto \frac{L_j}{J_j} \frac{A_c}{A_s} \sim \text{constant}$$

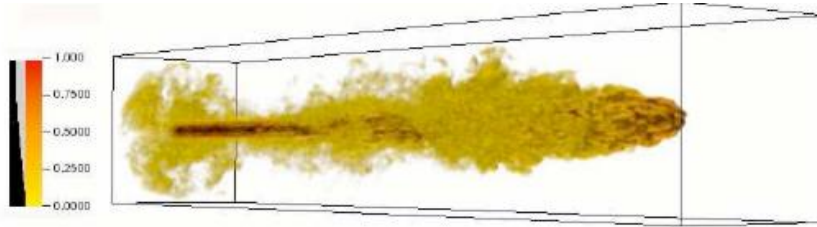
$$\rho_c \propto \frac{J_j}{v_{bs} A_c}$$

→ for negligible pollution with ambient particles ( $N_{cb} \sim 20 - 200 N_{ca}$ ), and assuming selfsimilar transversal expansion

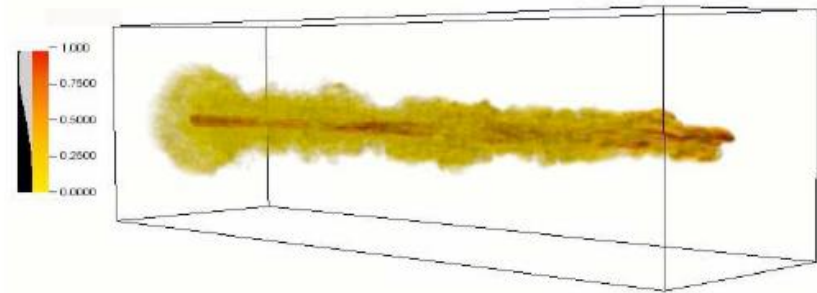
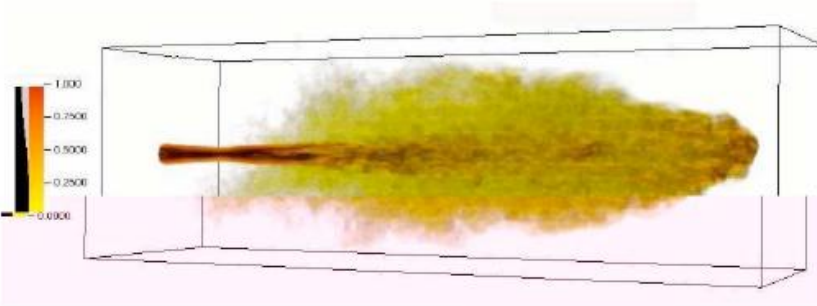
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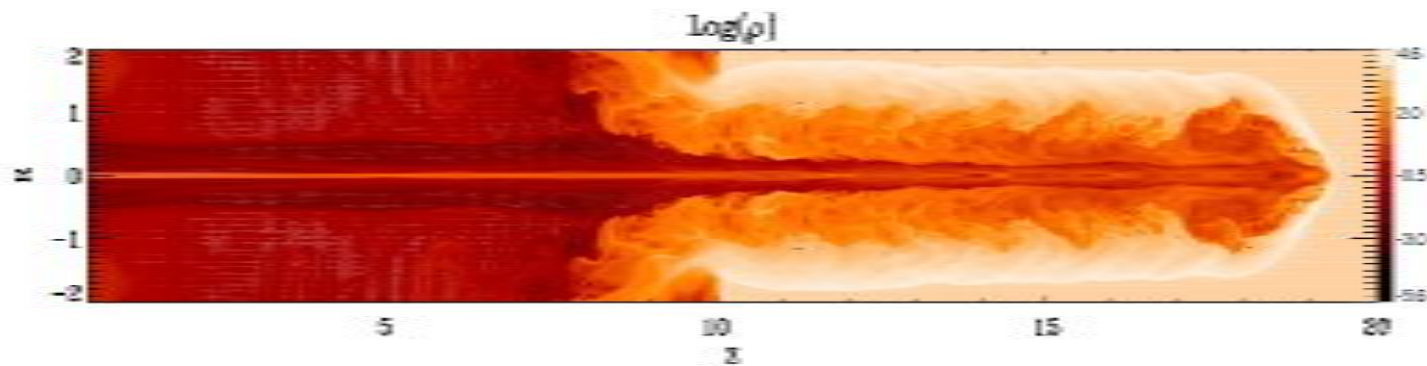
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FRI jet disruption by instabilities:  
Rossi et al. 2008



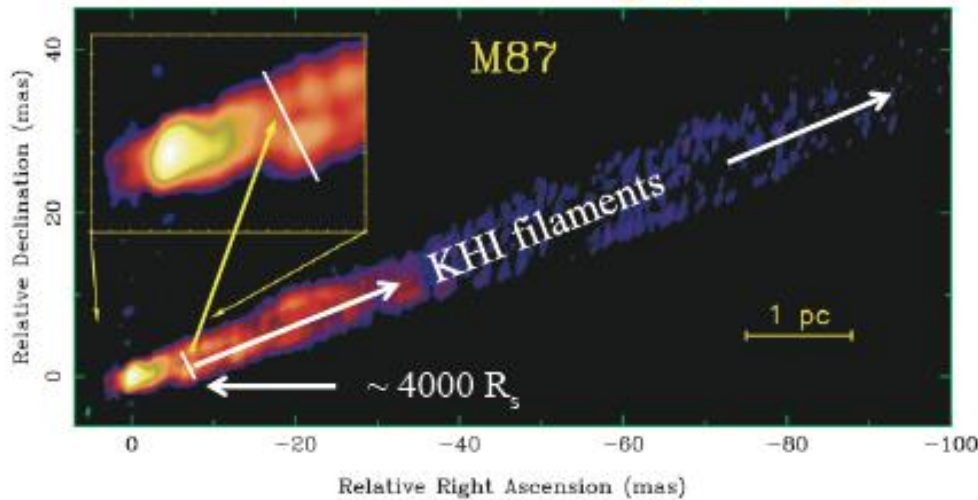
Inhomogeneous ambient medium:  
Meliani & Keppens 2008



# Instabilities

Kovalev et al. (2007)

Propagation region



Propagation region: (KHI)

$> (7 \text{ mas}/\sin 15^\circ) \sim 4000 R_s$

Collimation region: (CDI/KHI)

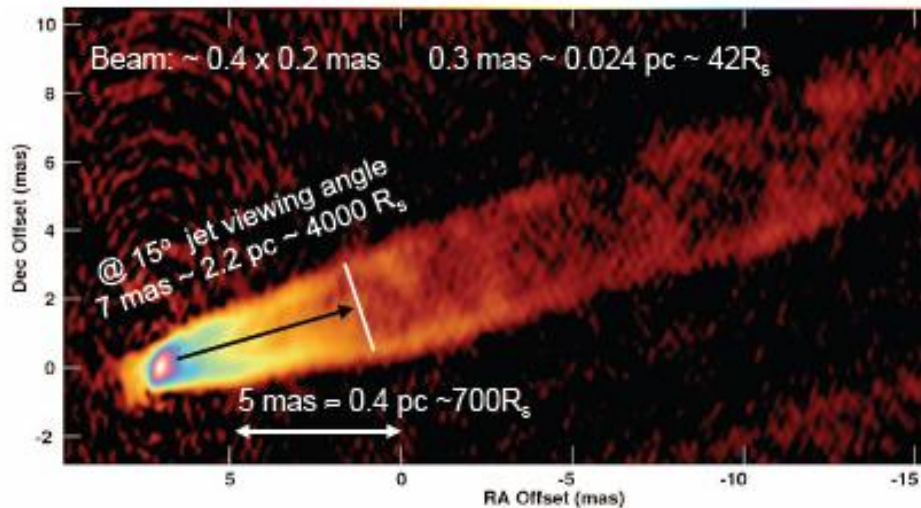
$\sim 200 R_s$  to  $\sim 4000 R_s$

Launching region: (CDI)

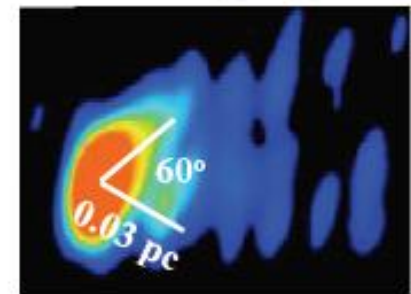
$< (0.4 \text{ mas}/\sin 15^\circ) \sim 200 R_s$

Collimation region

Walker et al. (2008)



Launching region



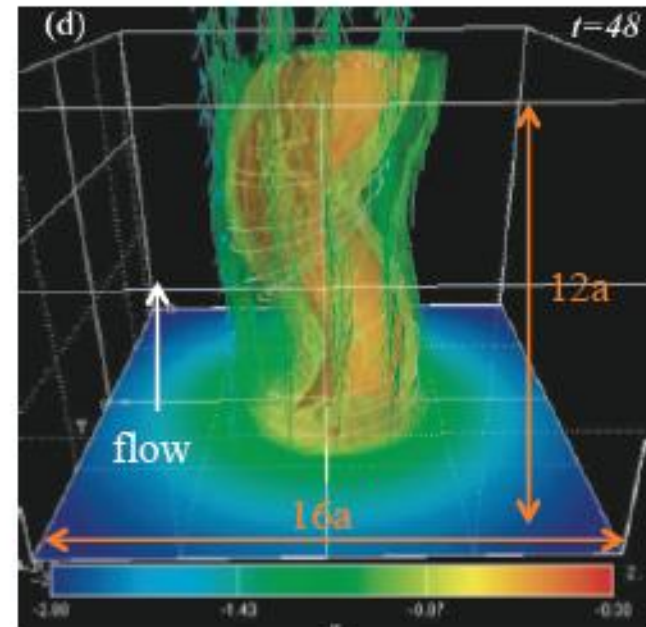
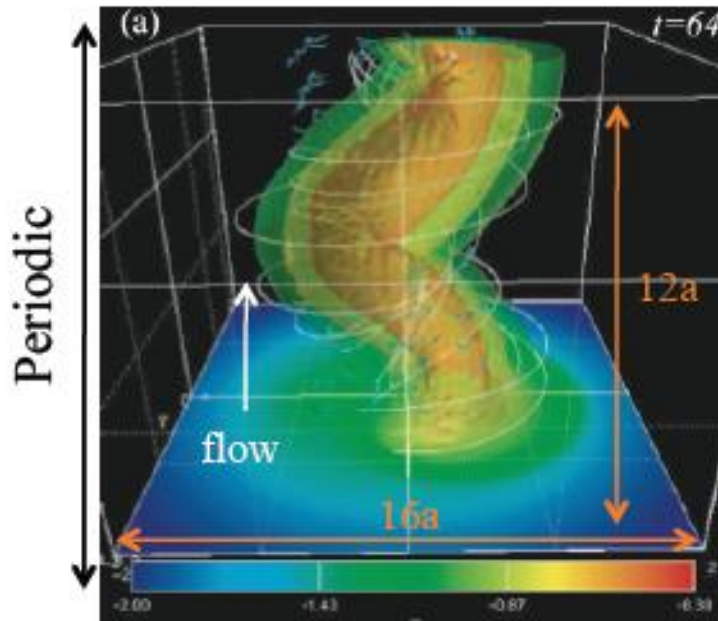
Junor, Biretta & Livio (1999)

Ly, Walker & Wrobel (2004)

# The sub-parsec scales: CD instability

Mizuno et al. (2009, 2010, see [poster](#))

Sub-Alfvénic regime



$R_j = a/2$ : Jet flows through kink

$R_j = 4a$ : Kink propagates with the flow

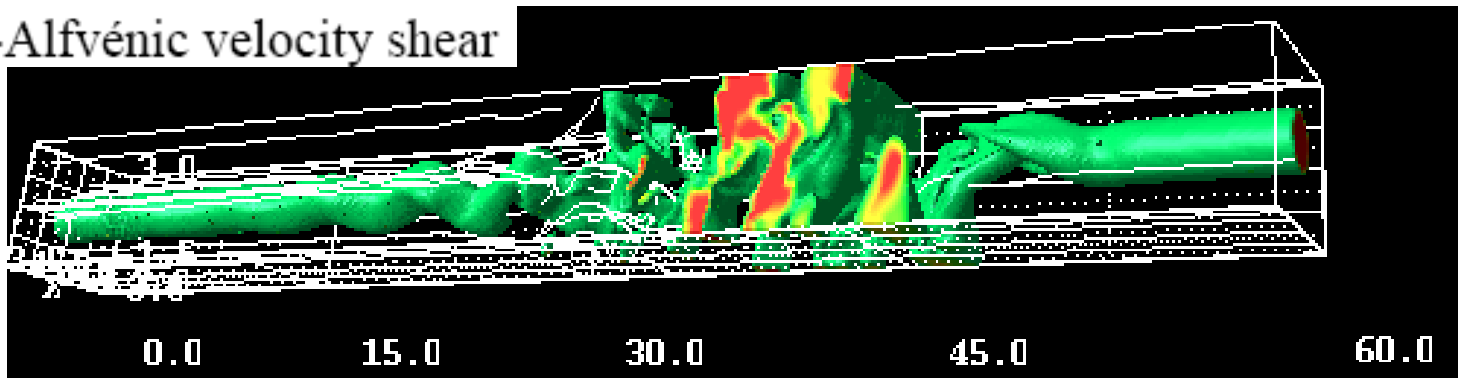
The position of the velocity shear with respect to the characteristic radius of the magnetic field has an important effect on the propagation of the CD instabilities .

## CD INSTABILITY

There is an efficient conversion of energy from the Poynting flux to particles.

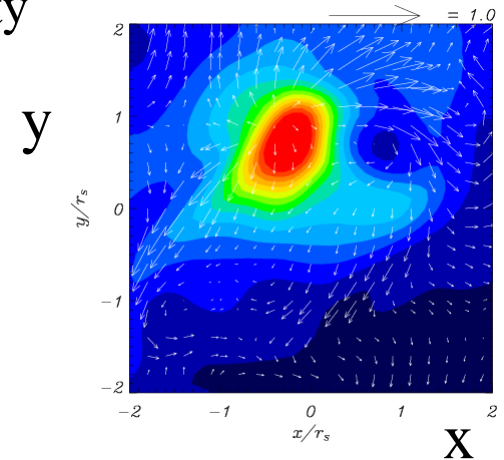
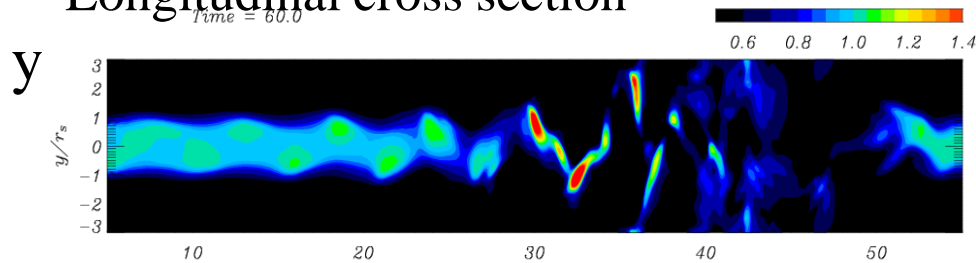
# The sub-parsec scales: CD/KH

Super-Alfvénic velocity shear



3D isovolume of density with B-field lines show the jet is disrupted by the growing KH instability

Longitudinal cross section

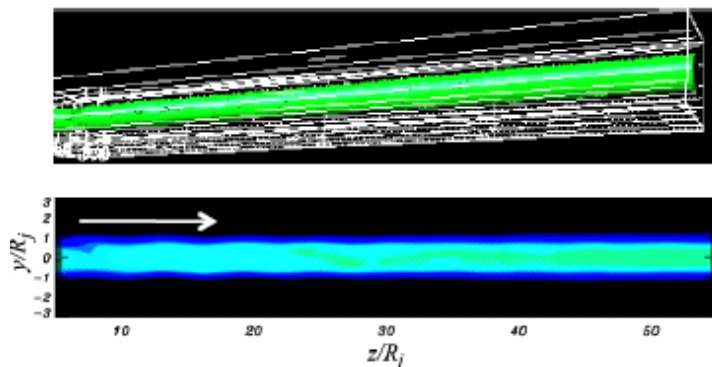


Transverse cross section

Mizuno et al. 2007

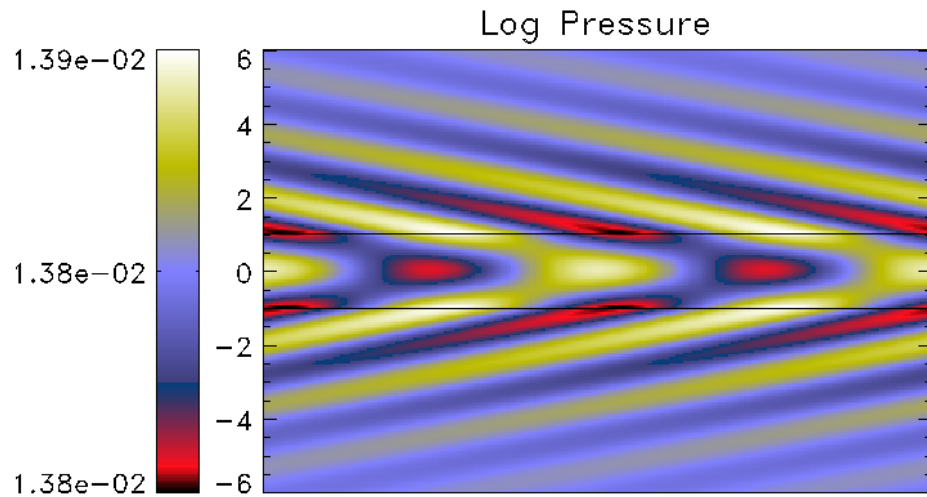
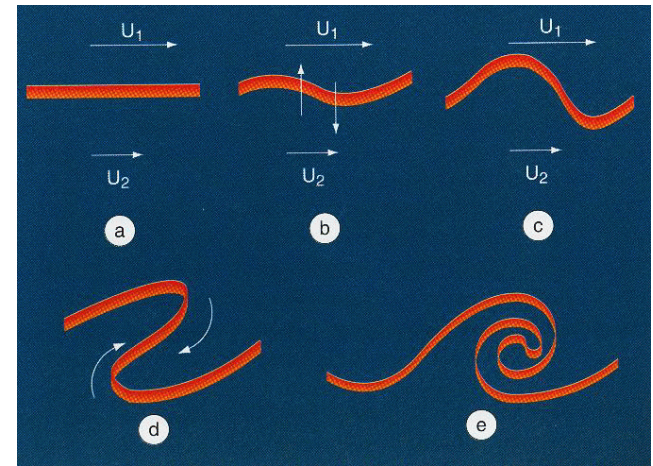
Non-relativistic: Hardee & Rosen 1999, 2002:  
Helical B field stabilizes the jet (magnetic tension).

Sub-Alfvénic velocity shear



# The parsec scales and beyond: KH instability

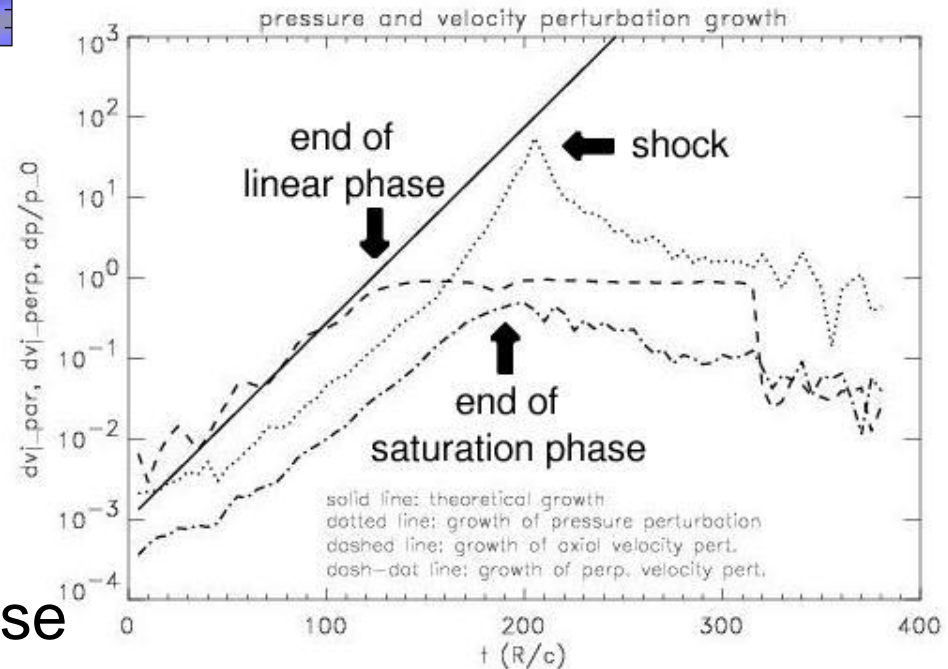
Perucho et al. (2004a, 2004b)



Initial model

- Parameters:

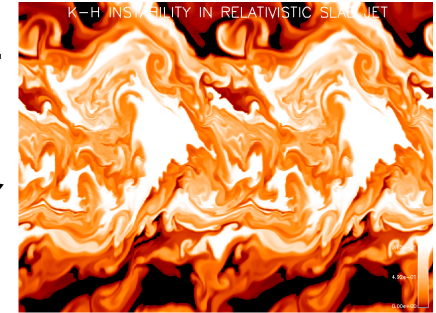
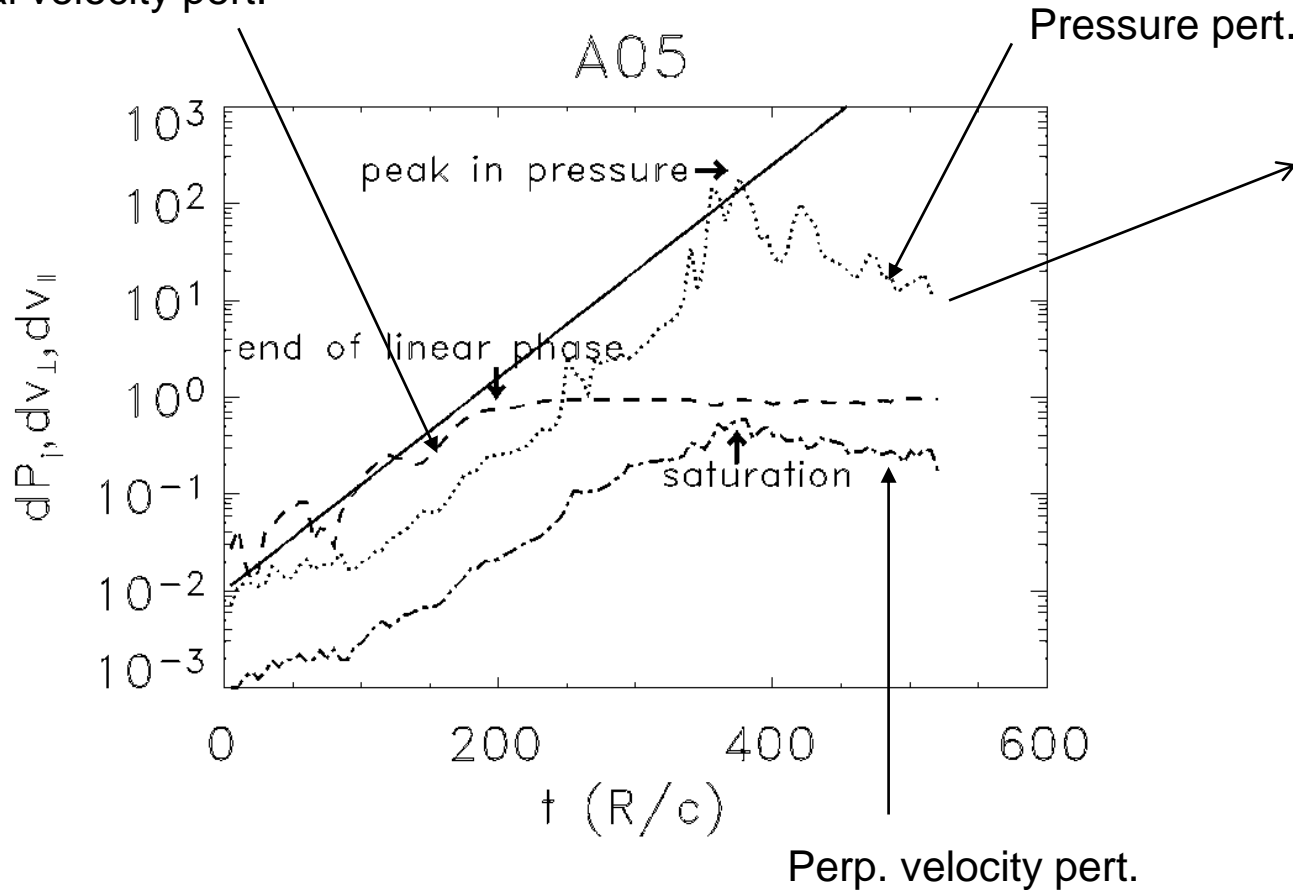
- Lorentz factor.
- Rest-mass density contrast.
- Specific internal energy.
- Pressure equilibrium.



Linear phase

# The parsec scales and beyond: KH instability

Axial velocity pert.



SATURATION

$$V_{\parallel}^{(e)\pm} < \frac{c}{2\gamma^2}$$

$$V_{\perp}^{(e)\pm} < \frac{c}{2\gamma}$$

$$V_{\parallel}^{(j)} = \gamma^2 V_{\parallel}^{(e)},$$

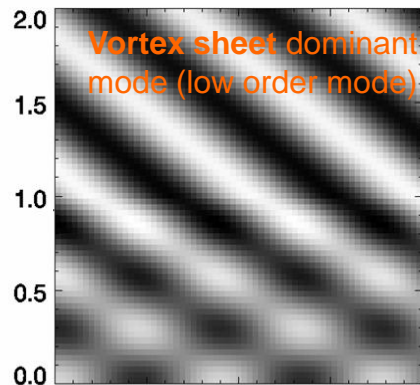
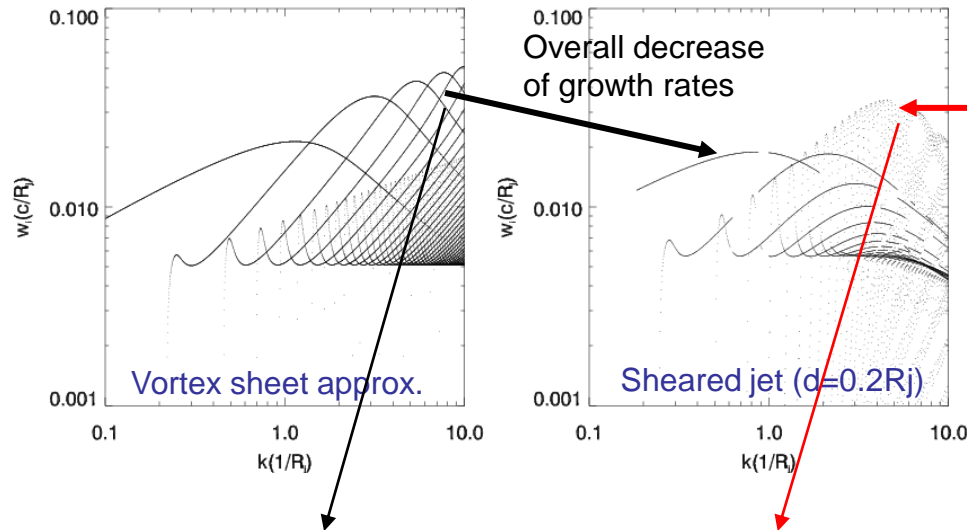
$$V_{\perp}^{(j)} = \gamma V_{\perp}^{(e)},$$

-KH instabilities saturate when the amplitude of the perturbation of axial velocity (in the jet reference frame) reaches the speed of light (Hanasz 1995, 1997).

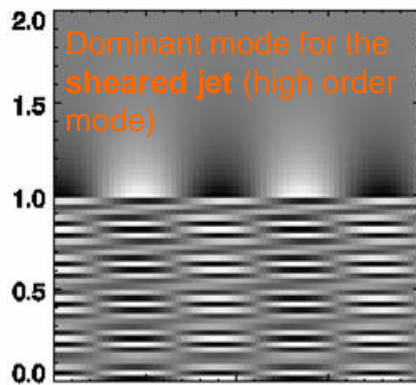


# The parsec scales and beyond: KH instability

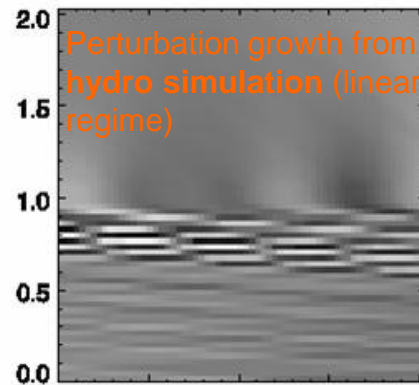
Discovery of resonant modes and their effect  
via numerical simulations (Perucho et al. 2005,  
2007)



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theoretical representation



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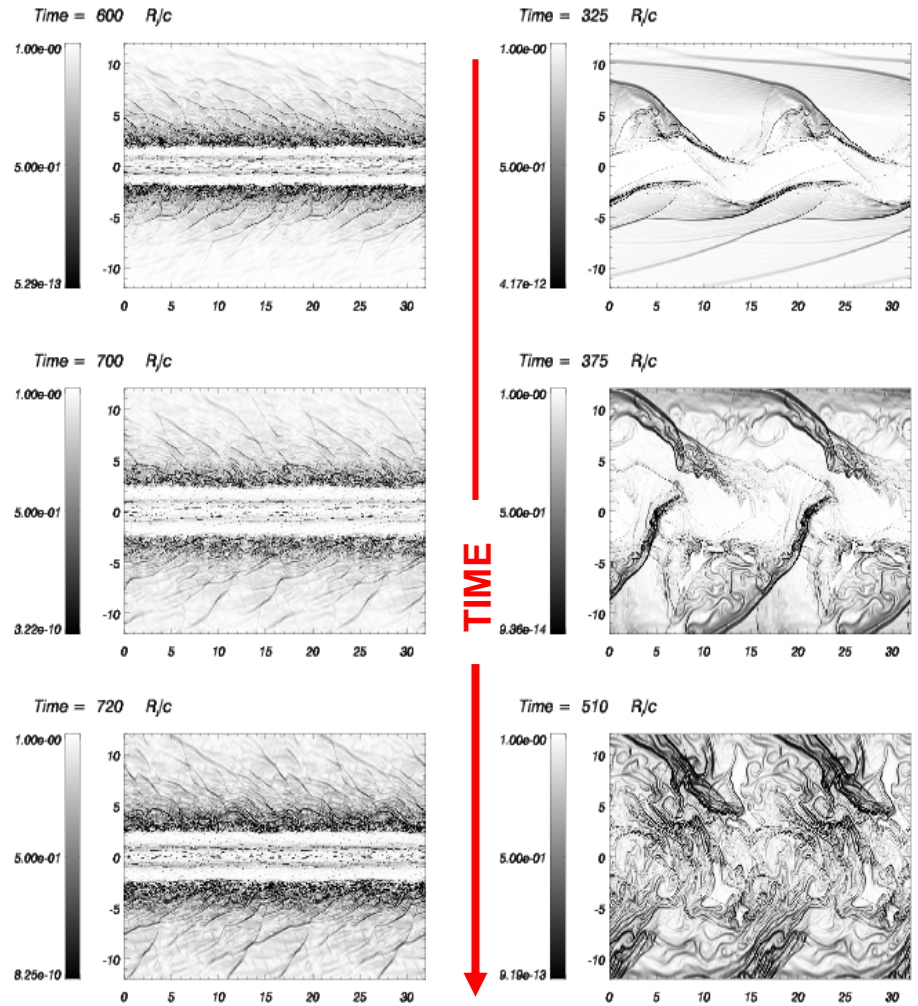
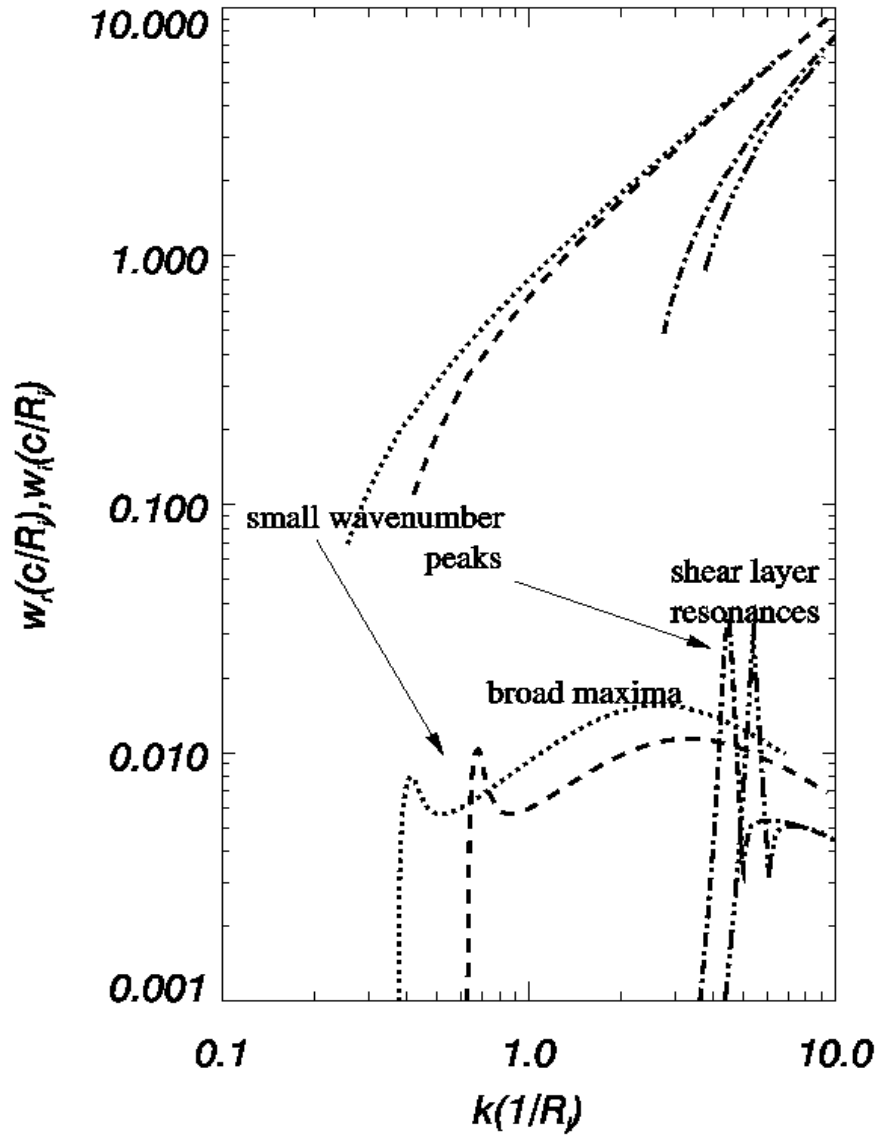


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**Numerical simulations confirm the dominance of resonant modes in the perturbation growth**

# The parsec scales and beyond: KH instability

Perucho et al. 2005, 2007



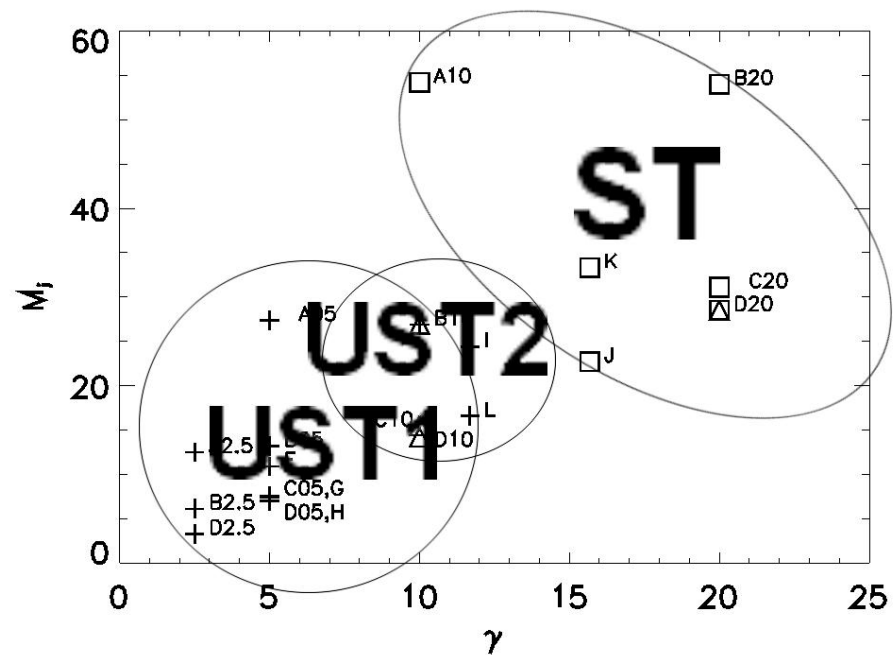
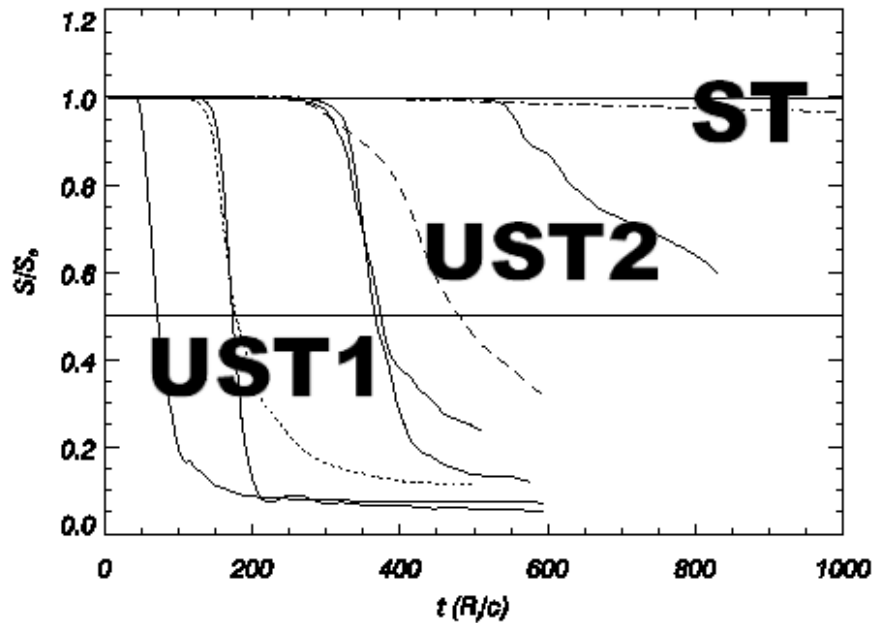
Sheared jet ( $d=0.2 R_j$ )  
Lorentz factor 20

Sheared jet ( $d=0.2 R_j$ )  
Lorentz factor 5

See also short  $\lambda$  saturation (Hardee 2011)

# The parsec scales and beyond: KH instability

- UST1: efficiently mixed and slowed down.
- UST2: progressive mixing and slowing.
- ST: resonant modes avoid disruption and generate a hot shear layer that protects the fast core.

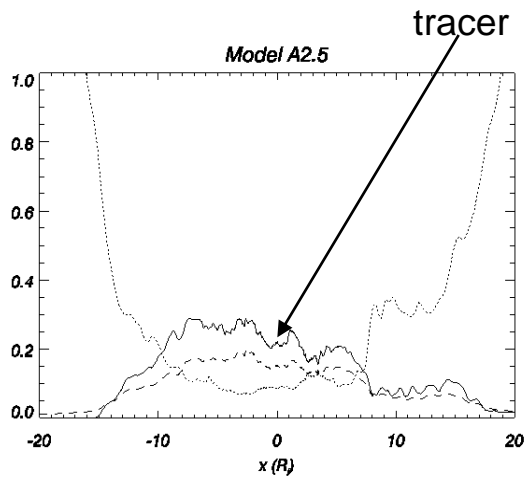


# The parsec scales and beyond: KH instability

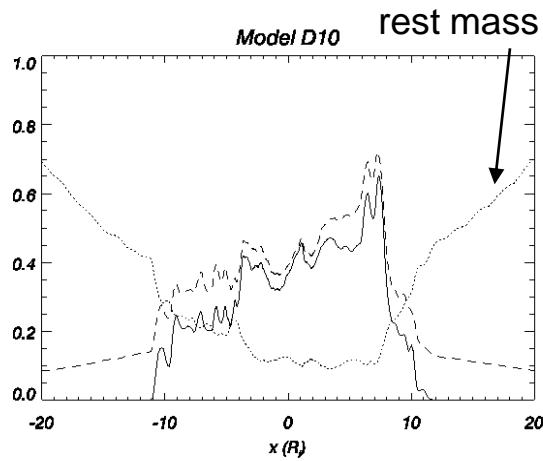
- Shear layer (mean profiles of variables).
  - Upper panels: thermodynamical variables.
  - Lower panels: dynamical variables.

Perucho et al. 2005

## UST1

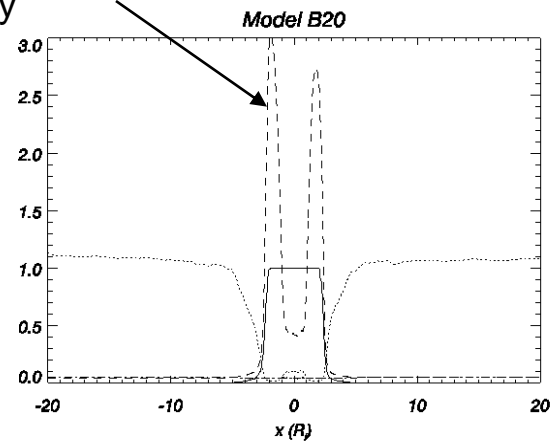


## UST2

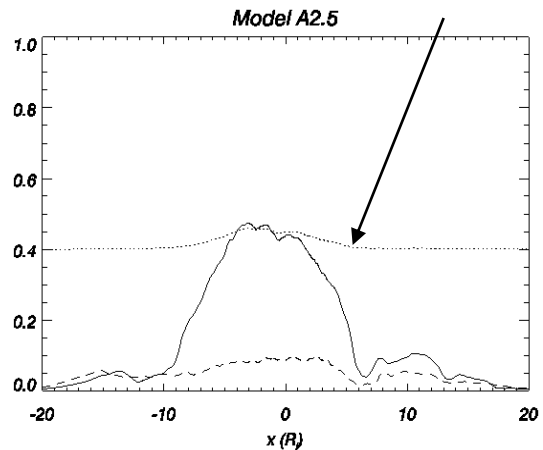


## ST

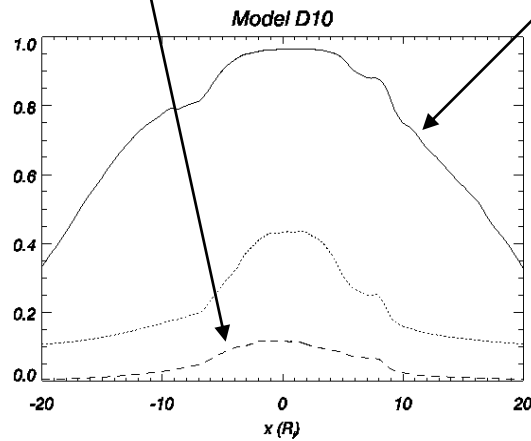
specific internal energy



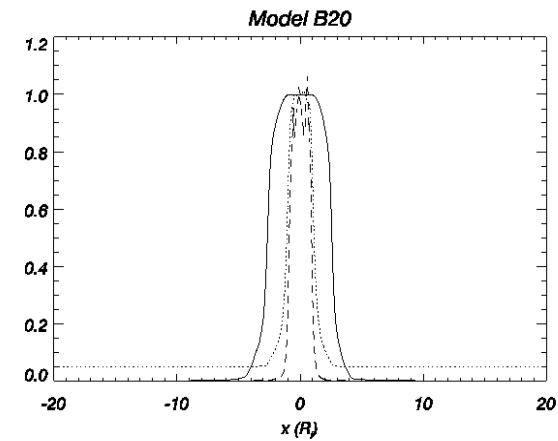
Norm. Lorentz factor



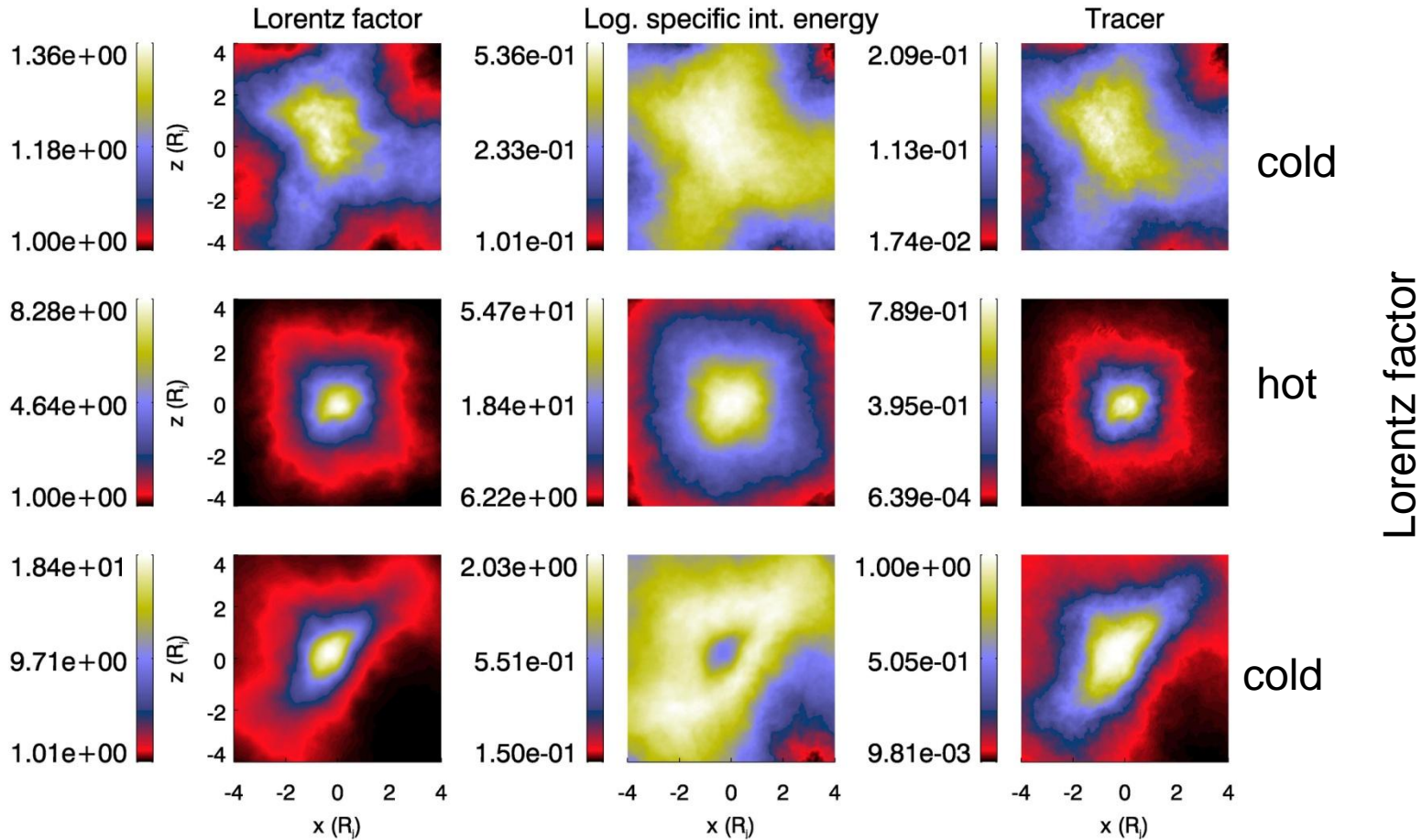
Norm. Axial momentum



Axial velocity



# The parsec scales and beyond: KH instability



3D RHD simulations of jet stability using RATPENAT.

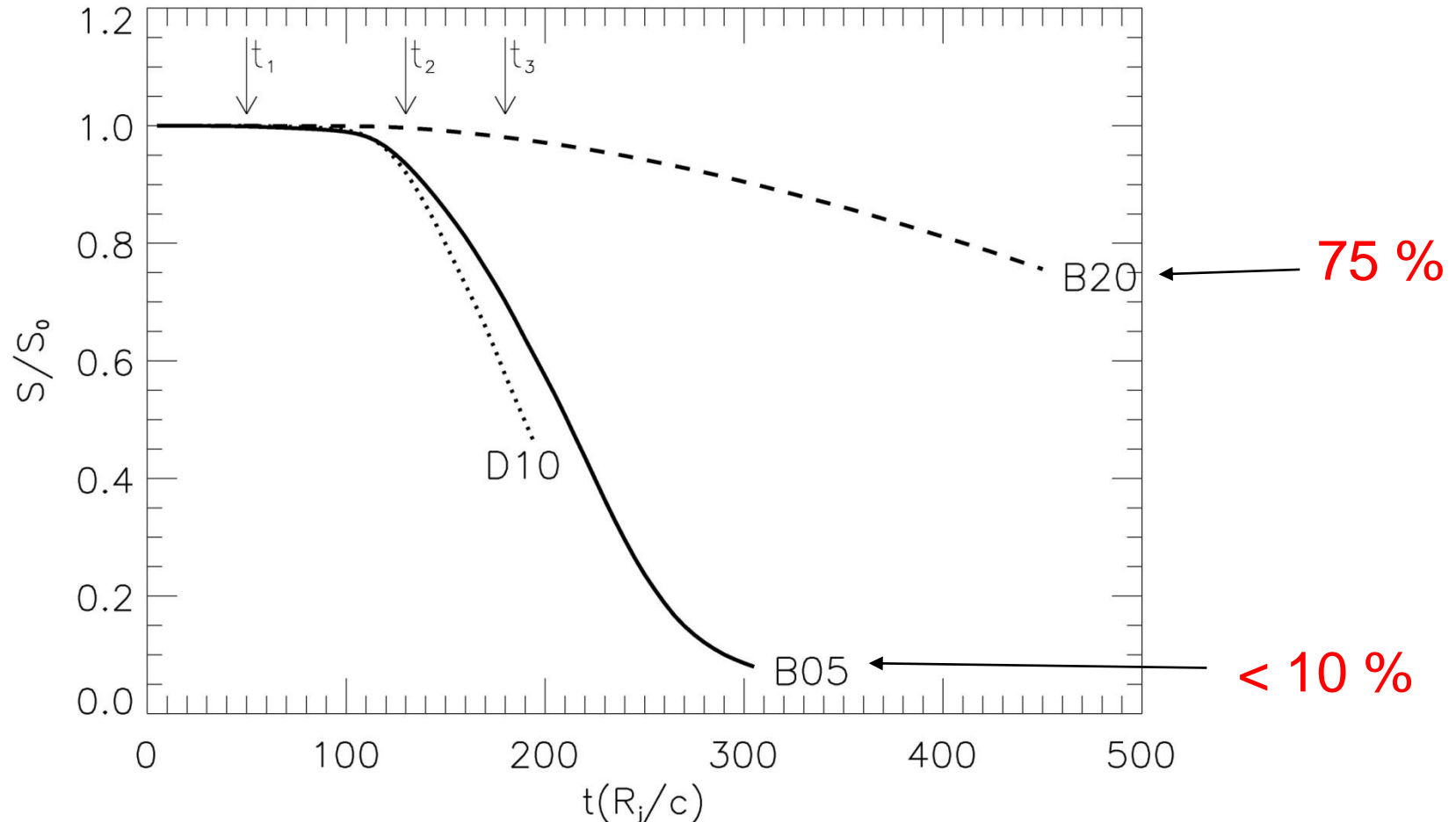
- $512^3 = 1.342 \cdot 10^8$  cells
- 128 processors
- 21-28 days

Perucho et al. 2010



# The parsec scales and beyond: KH instability

Axial momentum in the jet material versus time



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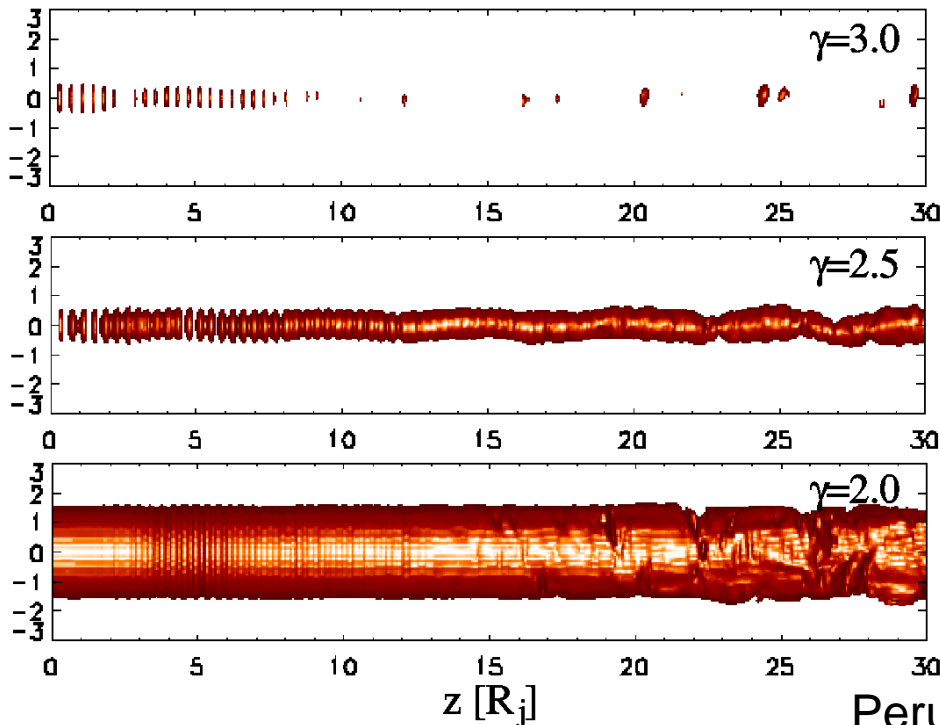
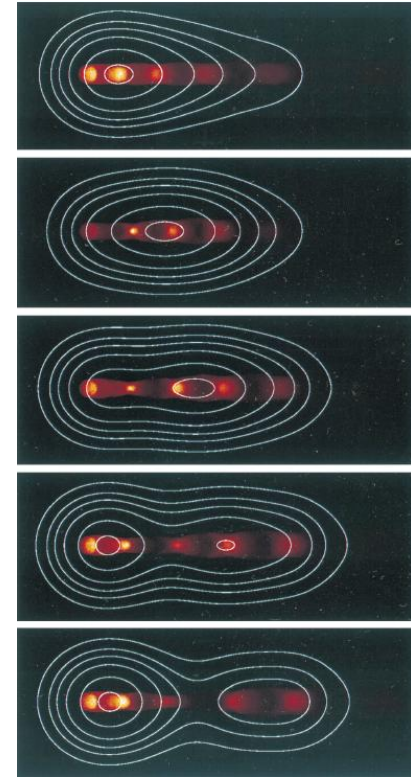
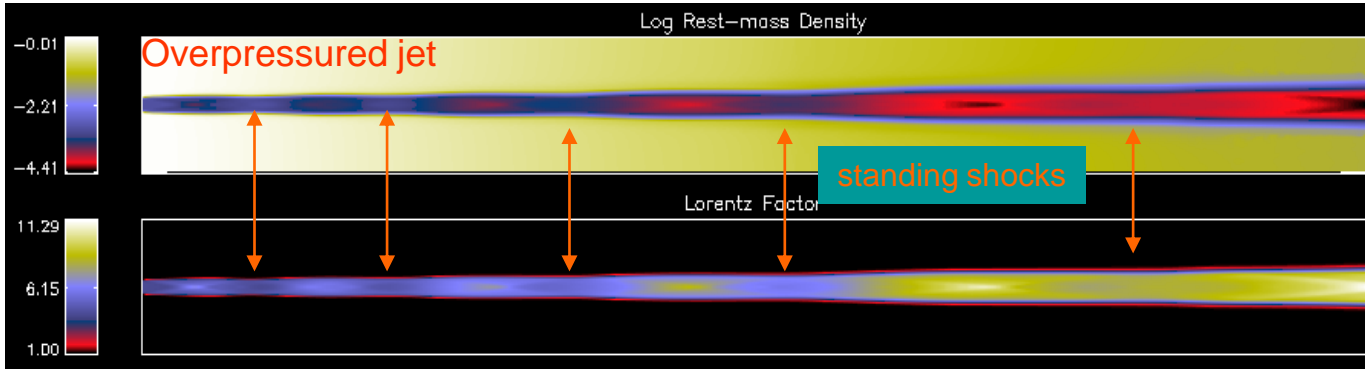
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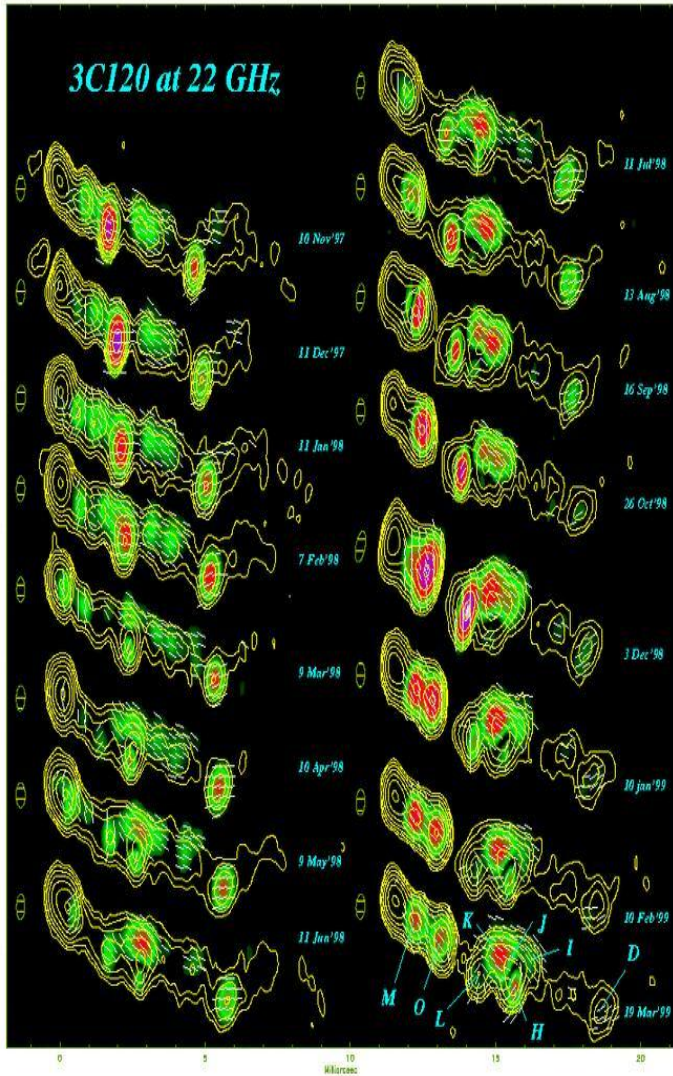
KH pinching instabilities triggered by an injected perturbation.

Different structures may appear at different frequencies in jets with transversal structure.

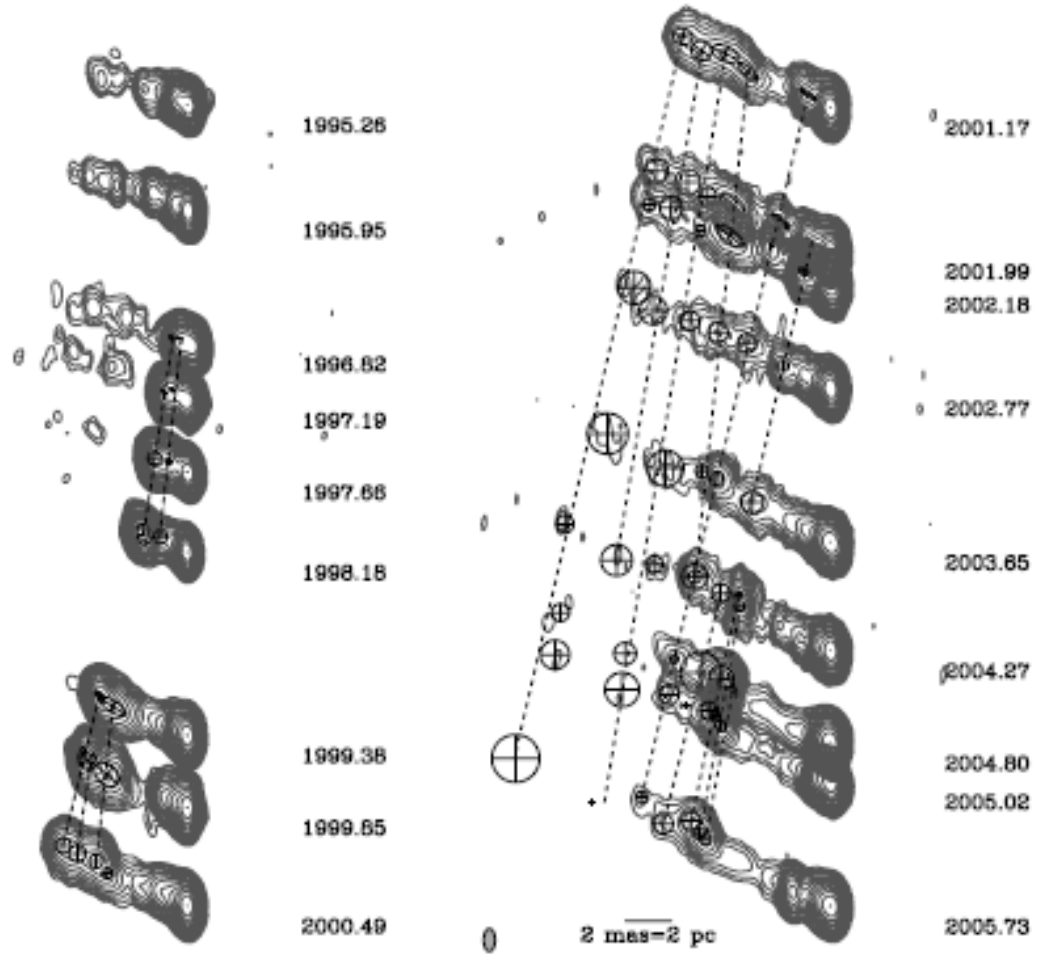
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# The parsec scales and beyond: KH instability

3C120 Gómez et al. 2000



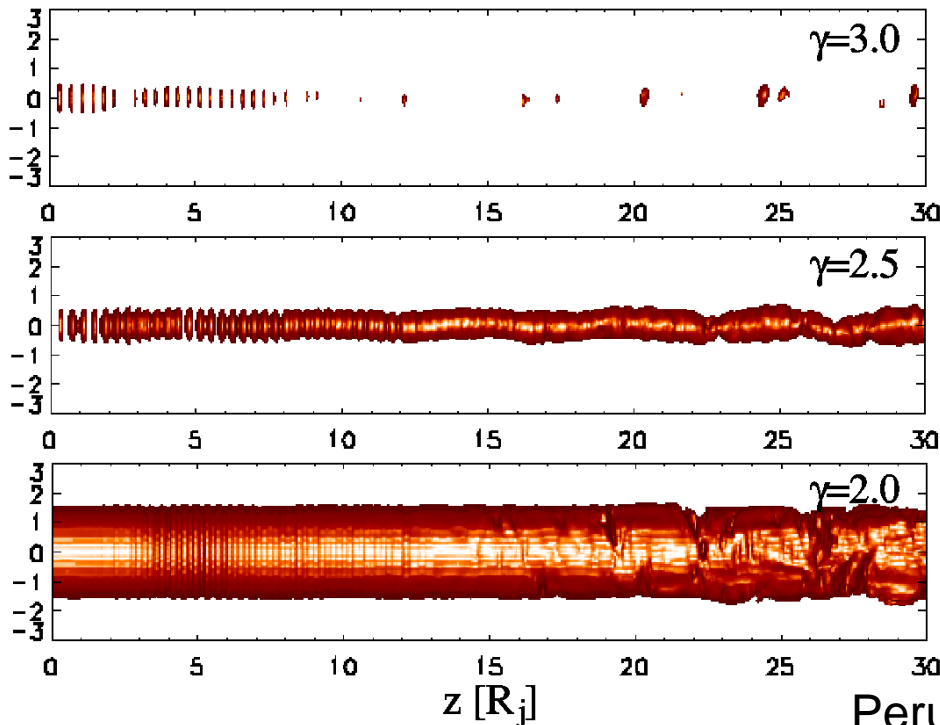
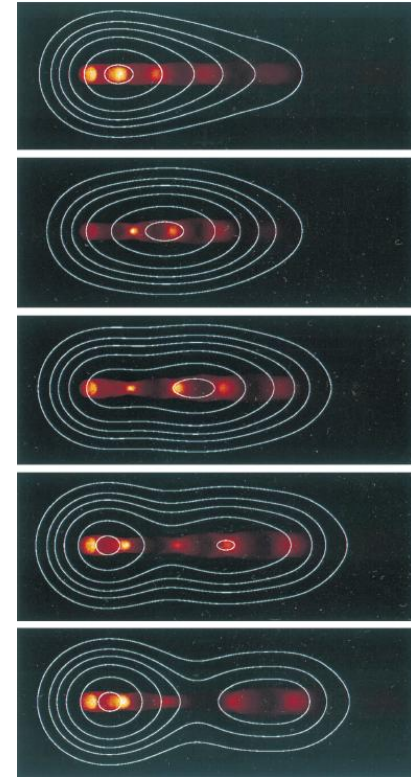
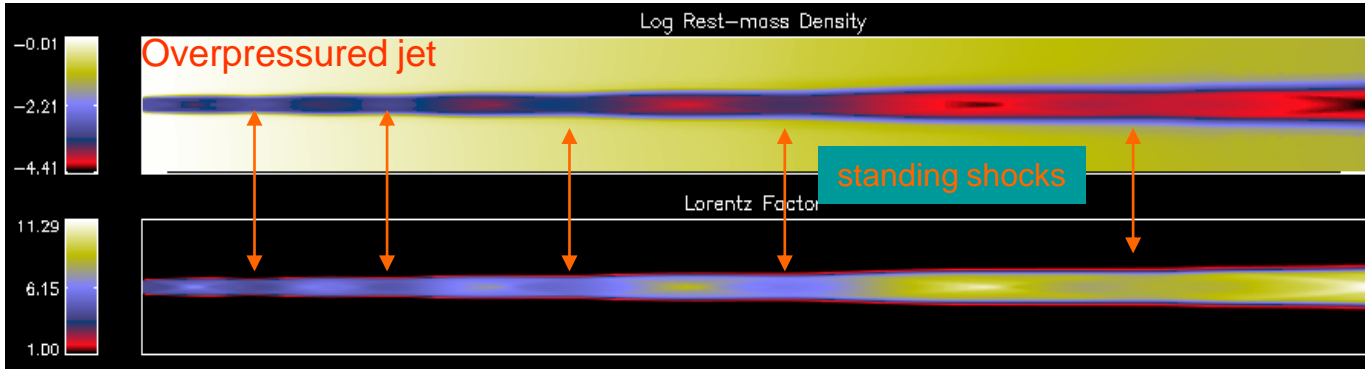
3C111 Kadler et al. 2008





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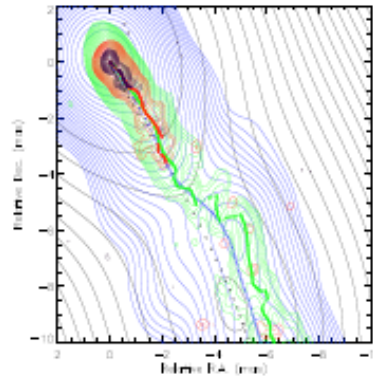
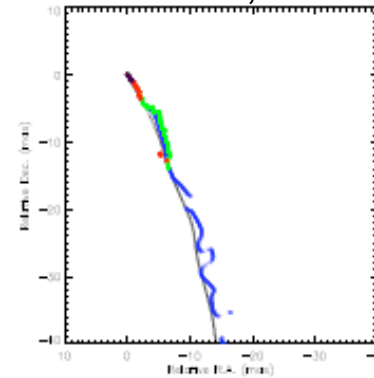
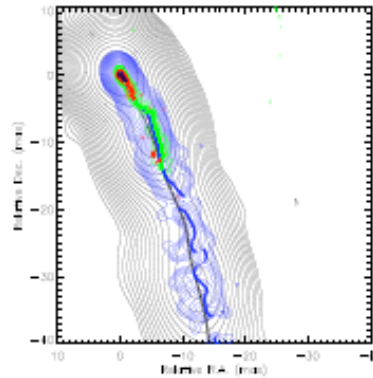
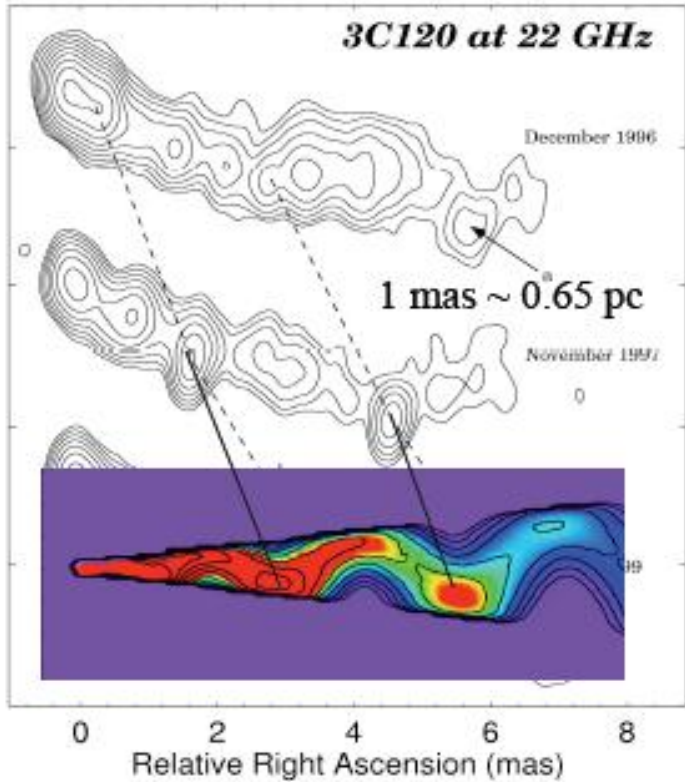
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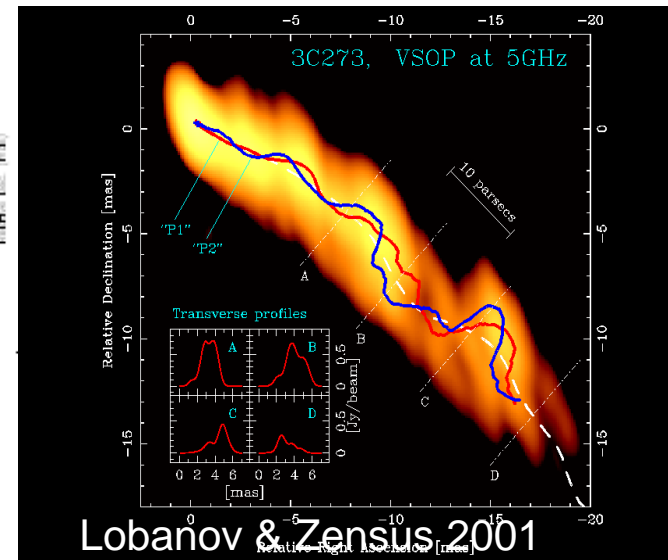
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3C 120: Gómez et al. (2001)



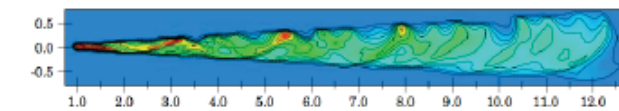
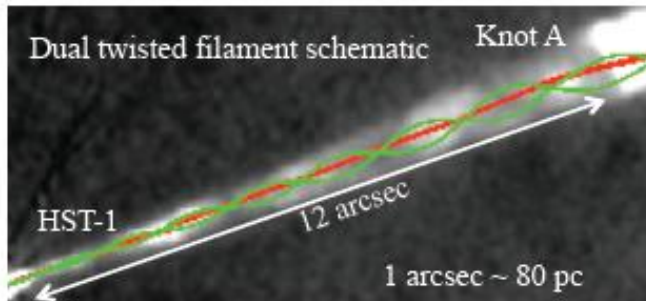
0836+710: Perucho et al. 2008, Perucho et al., in prep.



Lobanov & Zensus 2001

3C 120 Model: (Hardee et al. 2005)

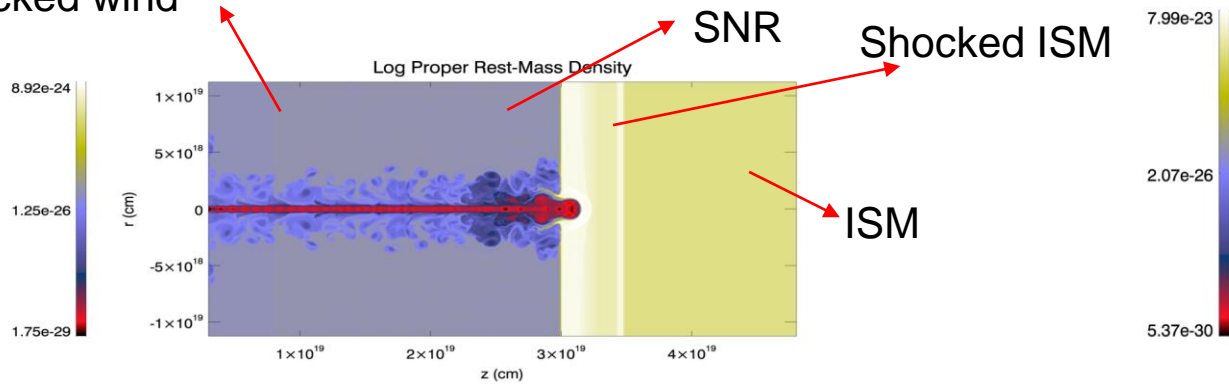
M87: Lobanov et al. (2003)



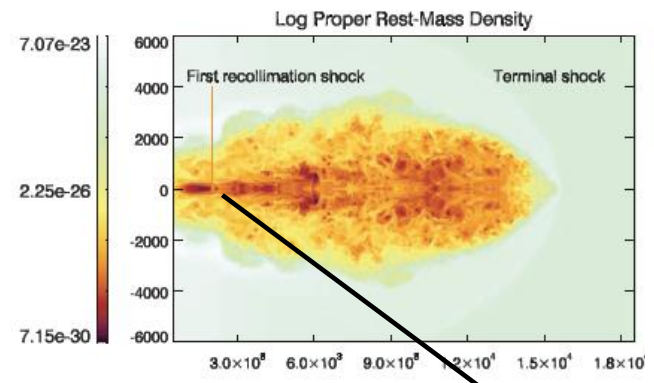
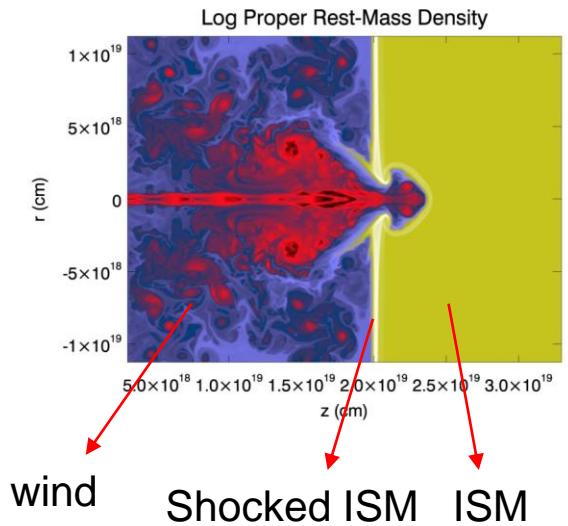
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# Non-linear effects

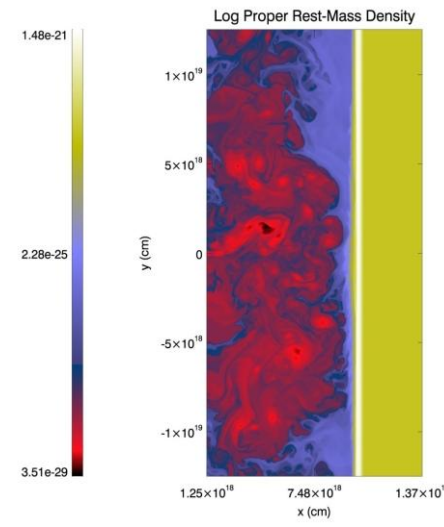
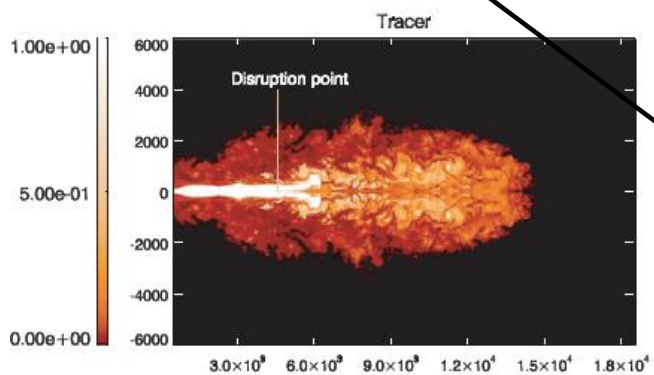
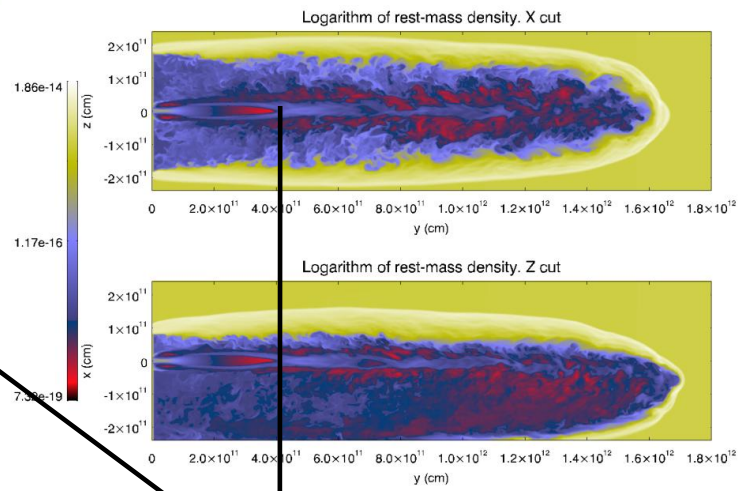
Shocked wind



Bosch-Ramon, MP, Bordas 2011



Perucho & Martí 2007

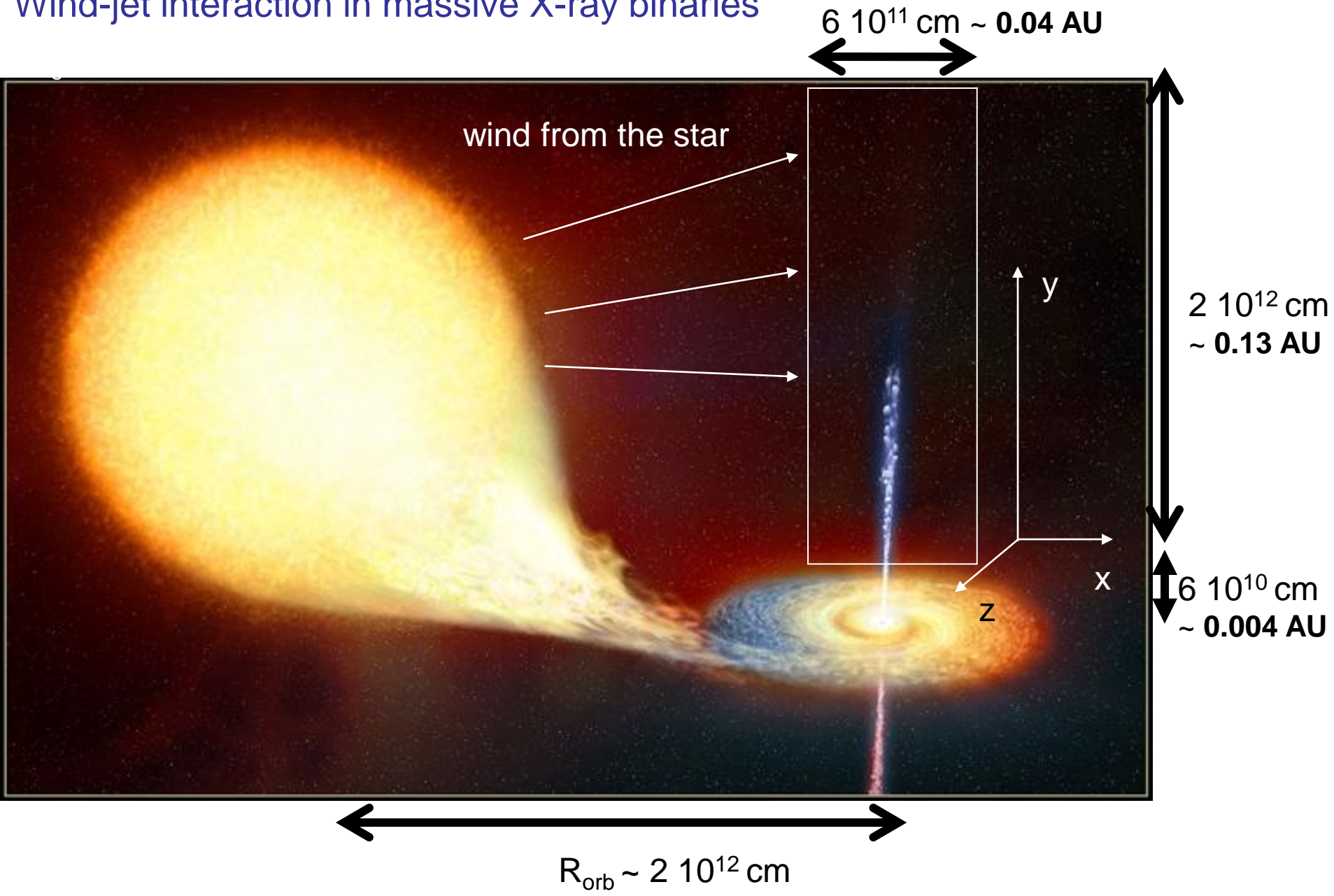


Perucho et al. 2010

reconfinement shocks

# Non-linear effects

Wind-jet interaction in massive X-ray binaries



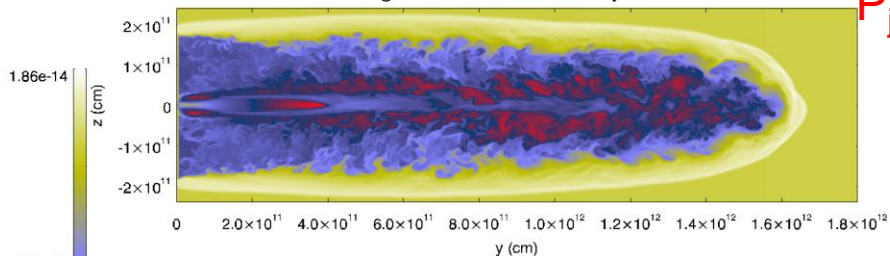
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Wind-jet interaction in massive X-ray binaries: 3D simulations

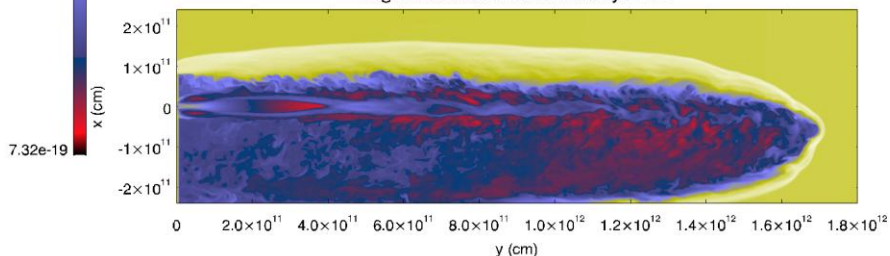
Perucho, Bosch-Ramon & Khangulyan 2010

$t = 977 \text{ s}$

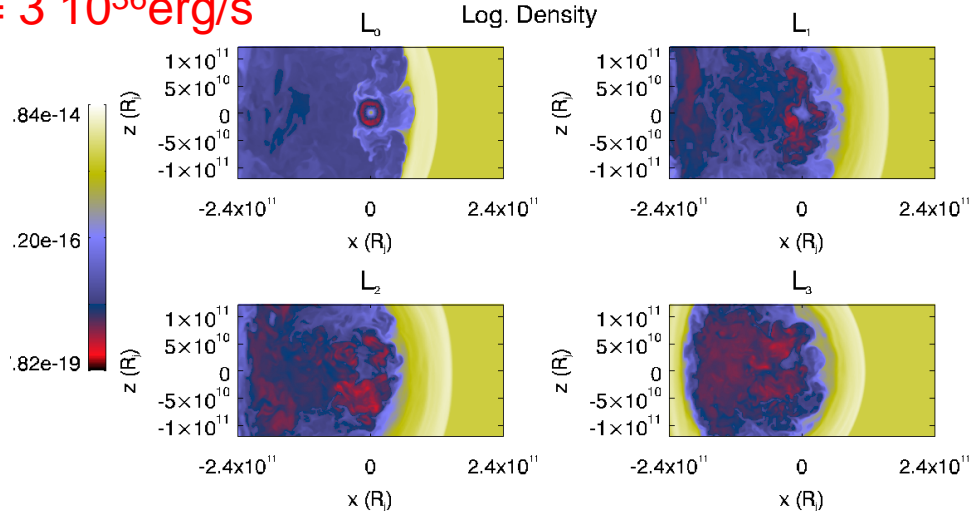
Logarithm of rest-mass density. X cut



Logarithm of rest-mass density. Z cut

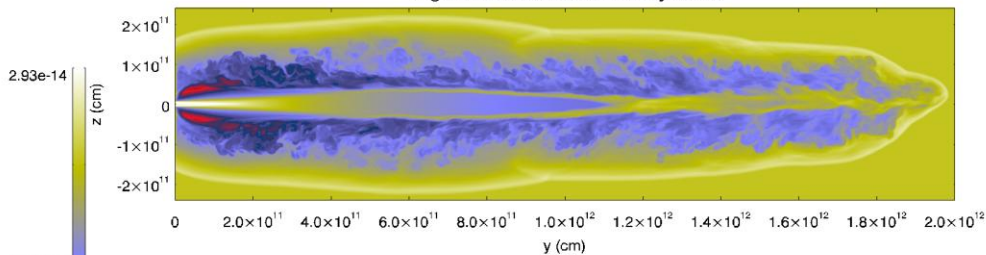


$P_j = 3 \cdot 10^{36} \text{ erg/s}$

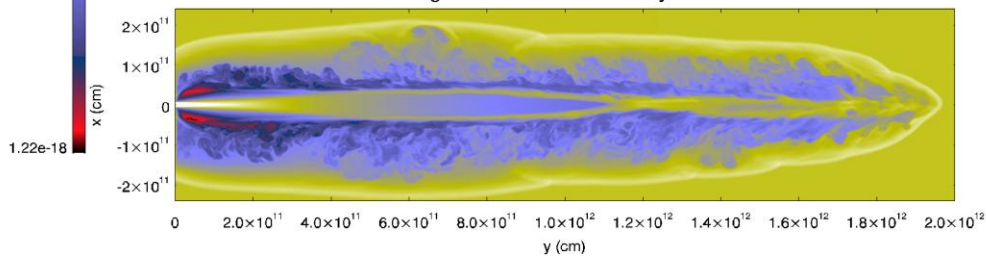


$t = 192 \text{ s}$

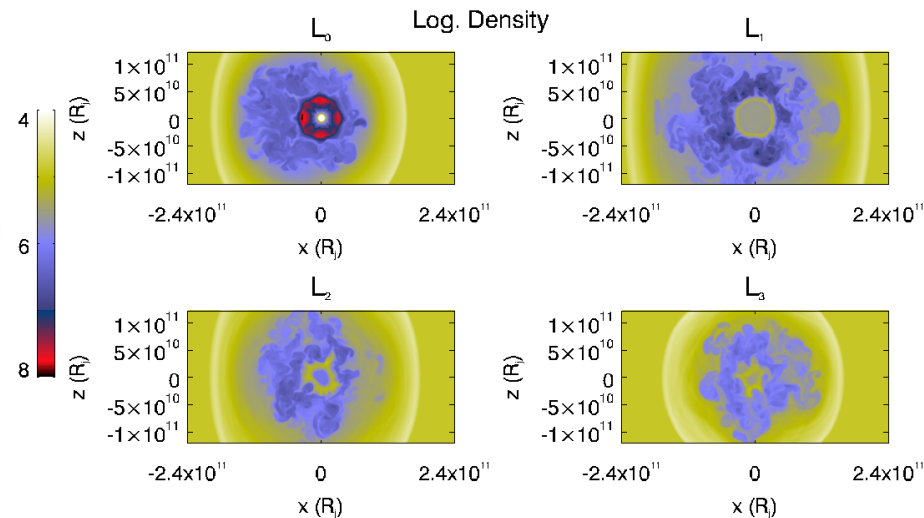
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# Non-linear effects

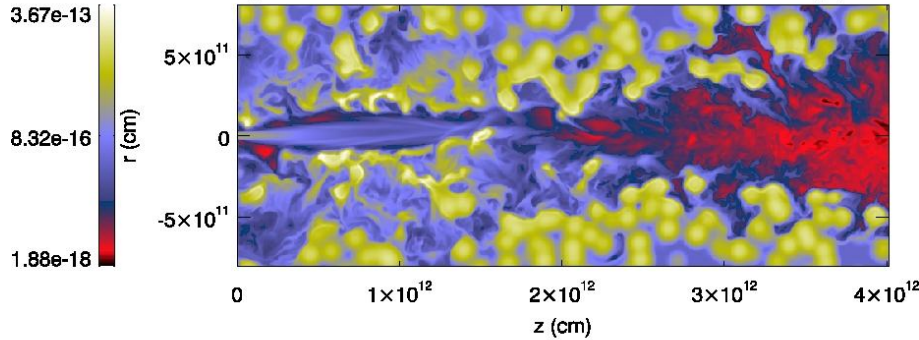
## Wind-jet interaction in massive X-ray binaries: 3D simulations

Perucho & Bosch-Ramon, in preparation

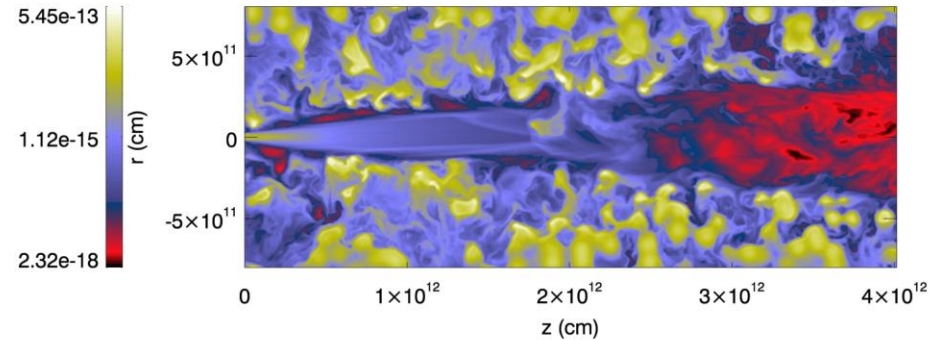
Inhomogeneous wind.  $P_j = 3 \cdot 10^{36}$  erg/s

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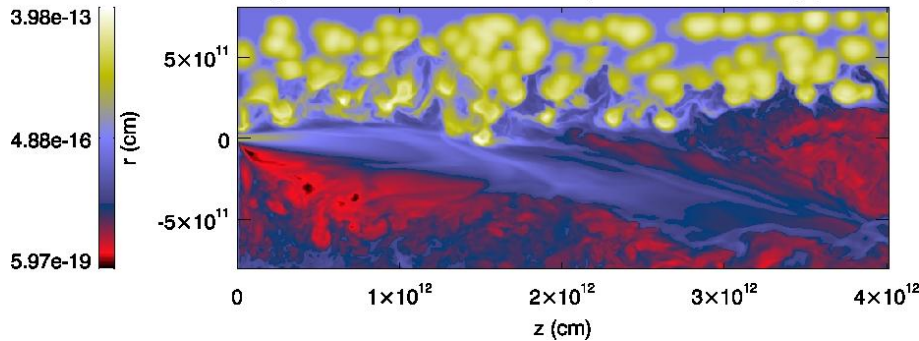
Logarithm of rest-mass density. Transversal to binary plane.



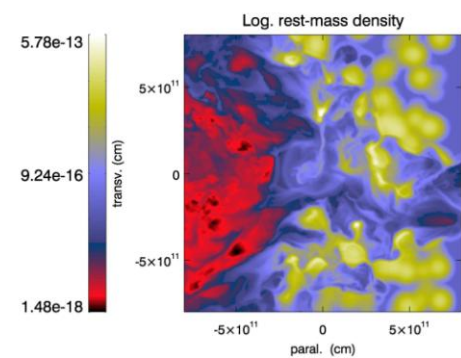
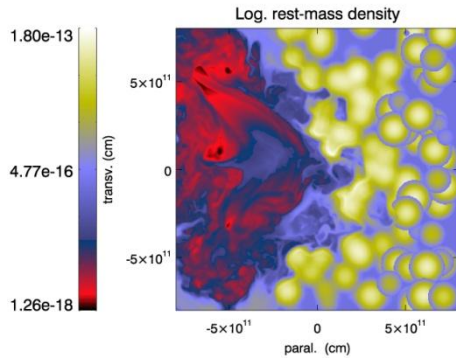
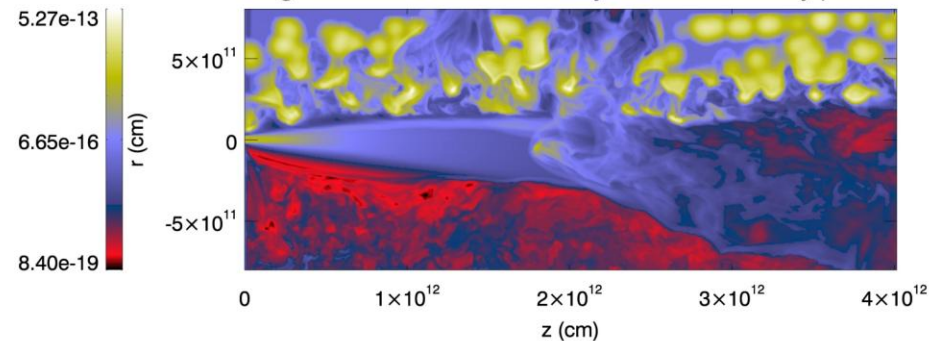
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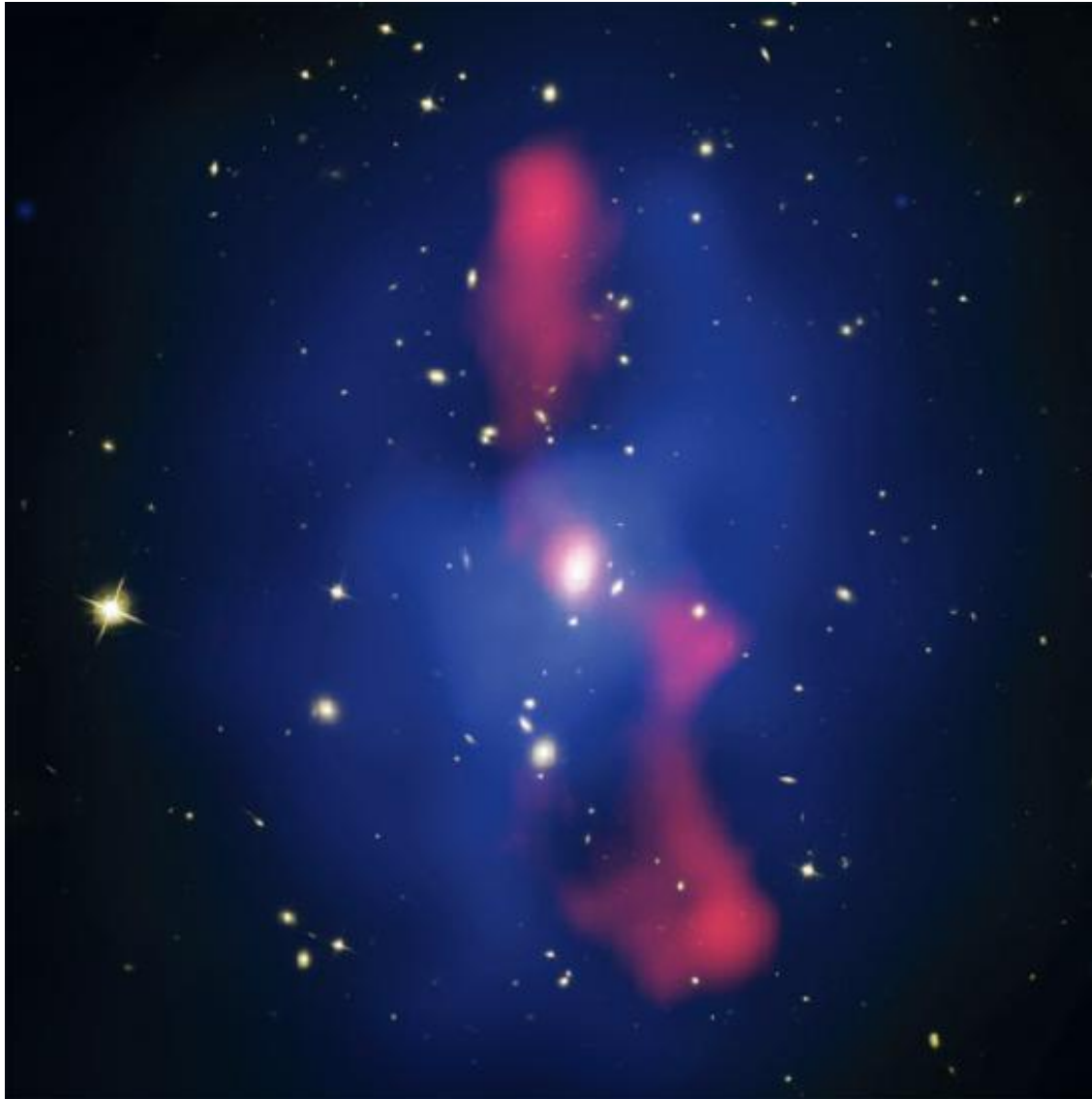
Logarithm of rest-mass density. Parallel to binary plane.



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# The largest scales: Energy deposition in the ambient



- MS0735+7421 (McNamara et al. 2005).
- 200 kpc diameter cavities.
- Shock-wave (M=1.4).
- $pV=10^{61}$  erg.
- $T=10^8$  yr.
- $P_s=1.7 \cdot 10^{46}$  erg/s (from  $pV$ ).

# The largest scales:

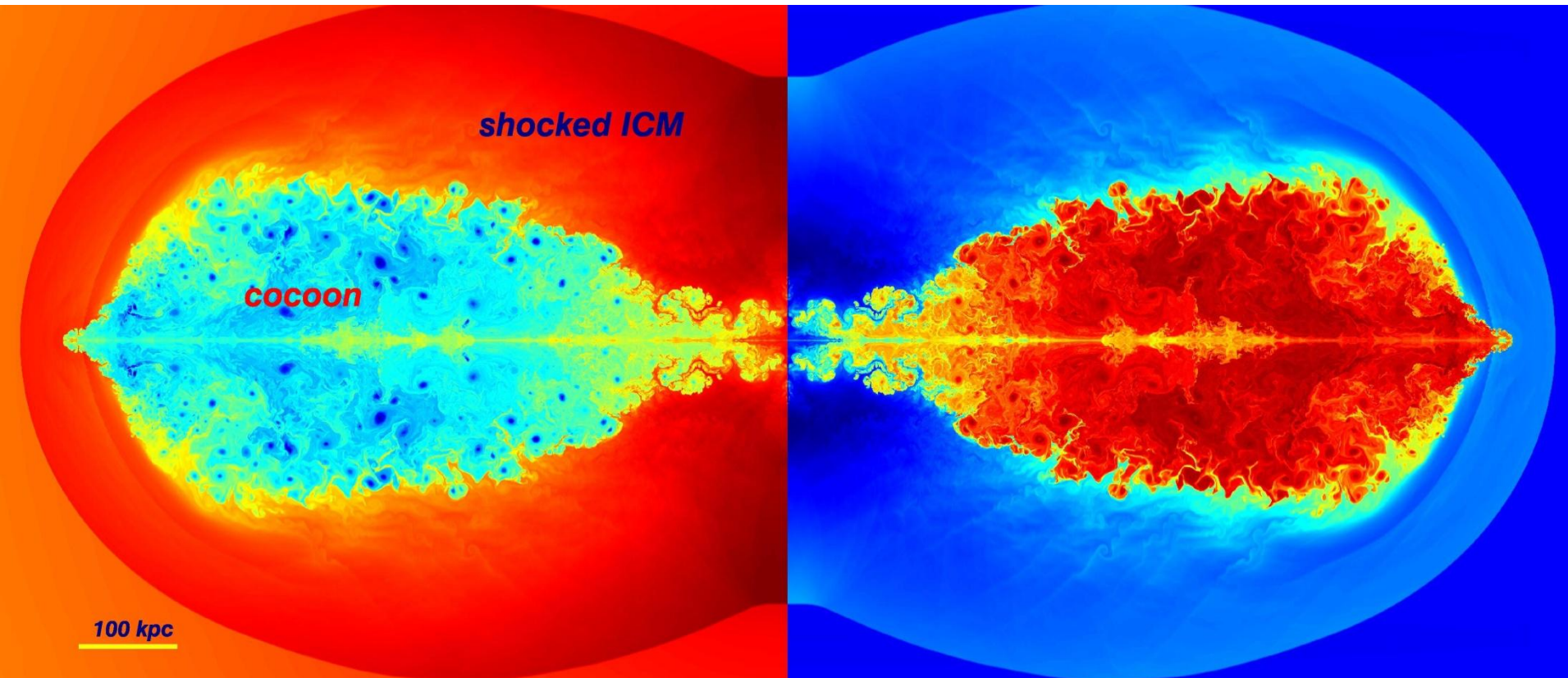
## Energy deposition in the ambient

- **2D axisymmetric hydro simulations** with **RATPENAT** using up to 140 processors (added as the jet grows) during months...  $\approx 10^6$  computational hours for the whole project.
  - Jets **injected at 1 kpc** into a **King-profile for density** (Hardcastle et al. 2002, Perucho & Martí 2007) in hydrostatic.
    - Corresponding Dark Matter distribution of  $10^{14} M_{\odot}$  within 1 Mpc.
  - **Powers:**  $10^{44}$  erg/s (**J3** - leptonic) –  $10^{45}$  erg/s (**J1** –leptonic, **J4** - baryonic) –  $10^{46}$  erg/s (**J2** - leptonic).
    - Jet radius: 100 pc. Jet velocity: 0.9 – 0.99 c
  - Injected during **16 to 50 Myr**. The simulations reproduce the jet evolution up to **200 Myr**.
  - Resolution: 50x50 pc or 100x100 pc per cell in the central region (Total 16000x2000 cells, **800 /900 kpc x 500 kpc**).



# The largest scales: Energy deposition in the ambient

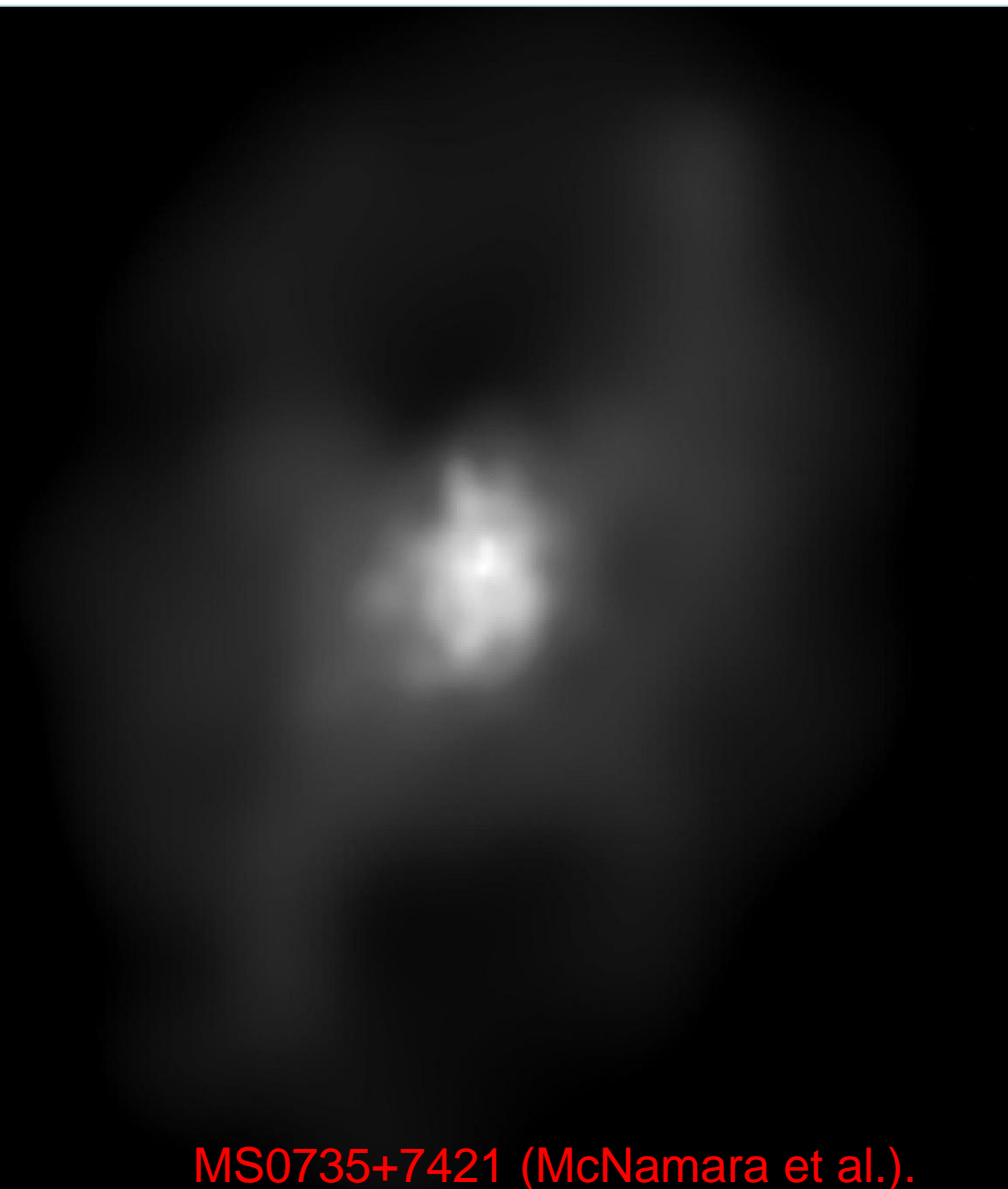
200 Myr



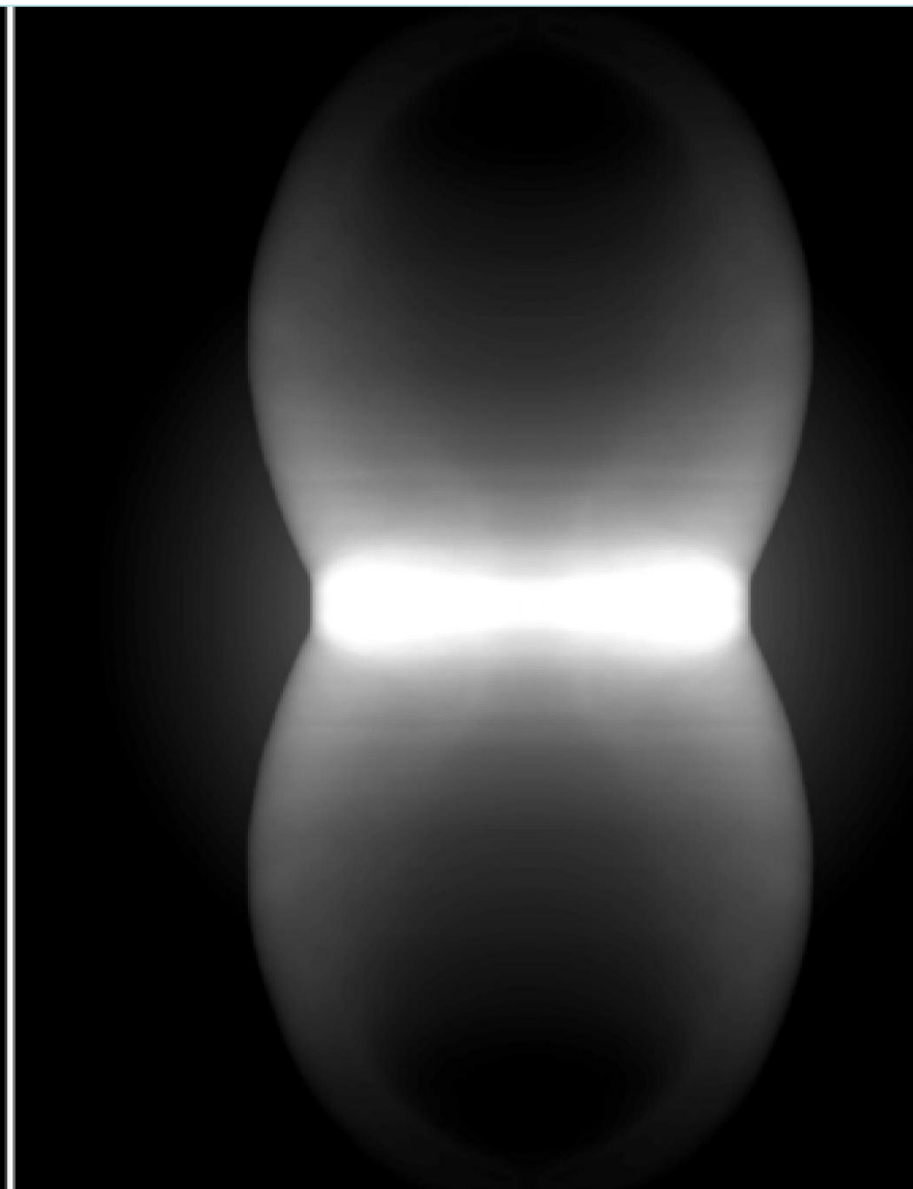
Perucho et al. 2011, submitted

$10^{46}$  erg/s

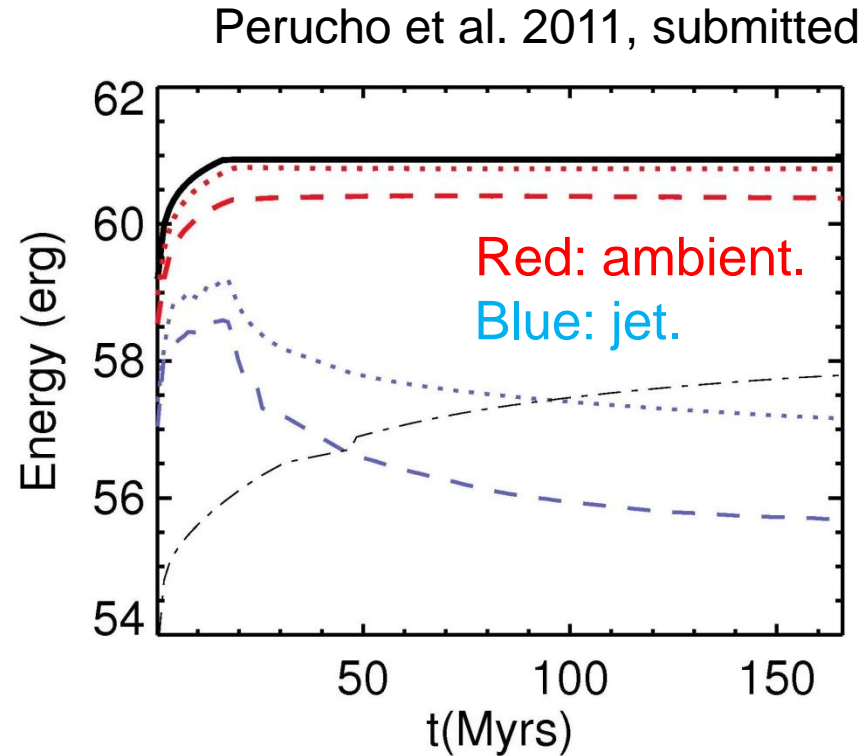
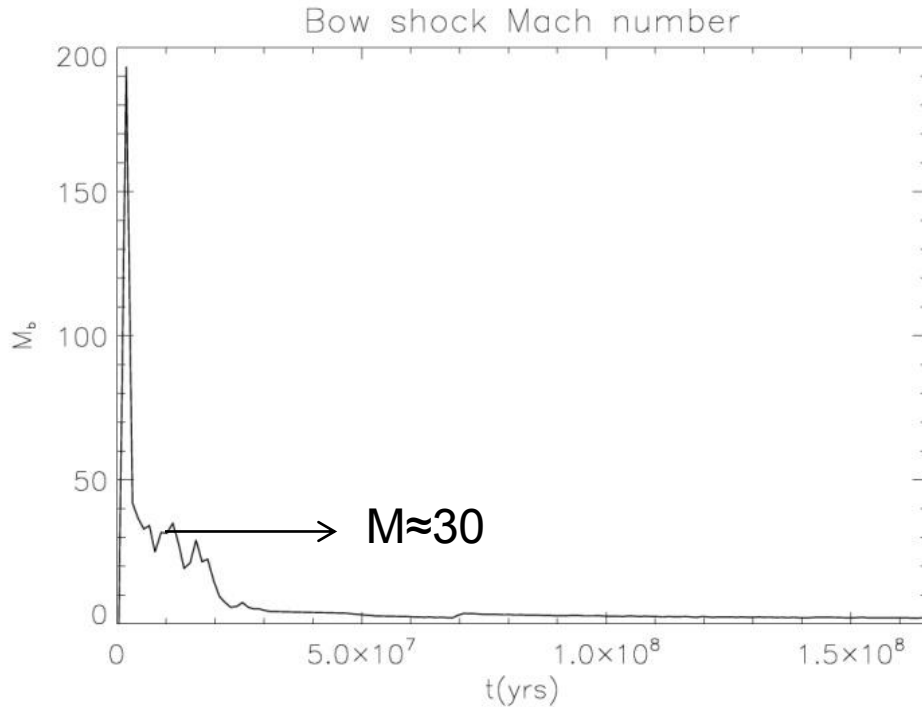
# X-ray morphology



MS0735+7421 (McNamara et al.).



# The largest scales: Energy deposition in the ambient



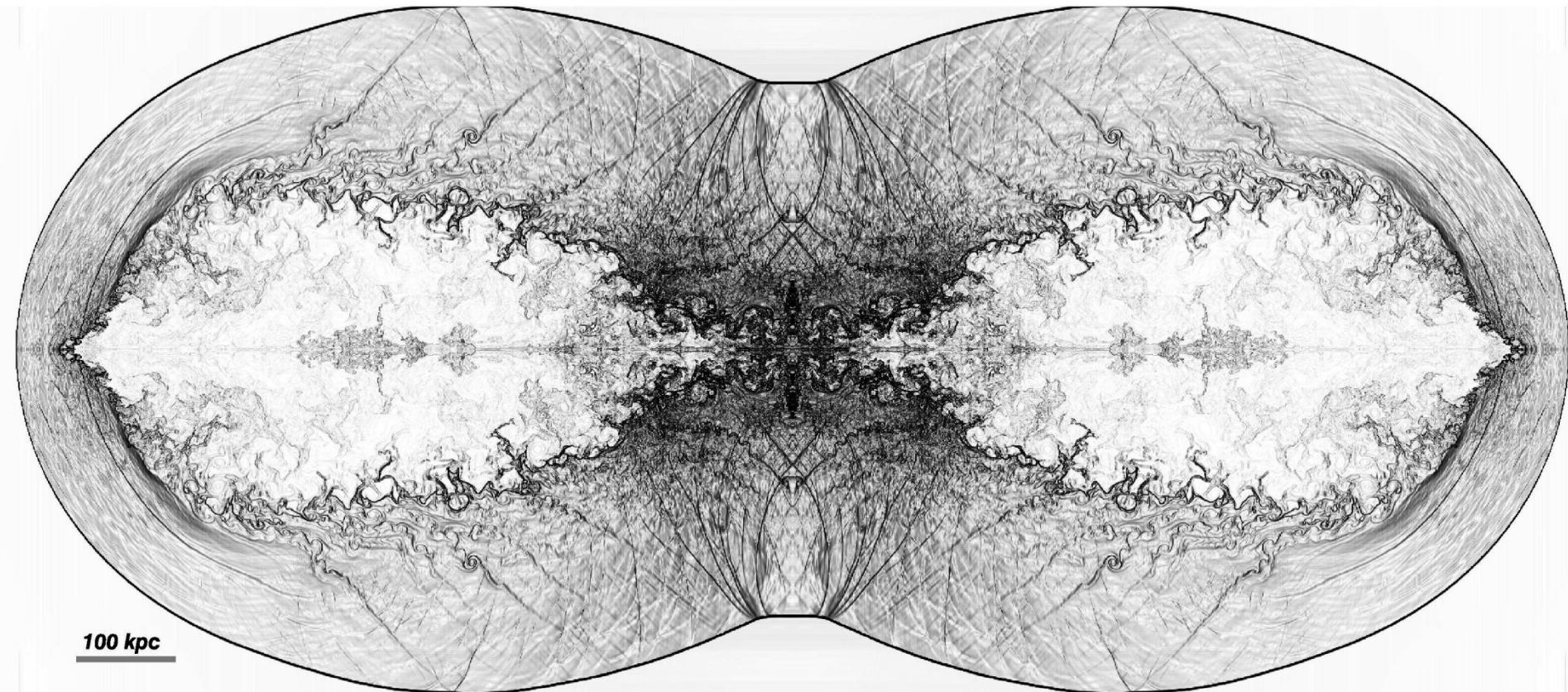
$>10^{11} M_{\odot}$  of shocked ambient gas.

$$V_j^R = \frac{\sqrt{\eta_R^*}}{1 + \sqrt{\eta_R^*}} v_b, \quad \text{Our parameters (consistent)} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} V_{bs} = 0.044 - 0.1 c \\ M_{bs} = 10 - 30 \end{matrix} \quad \eta_R^* = \eta_R W_b^2 \quad \eta_R = \frac{\rho_b h_b}{\rho_m h_m}$$

$$V_j^N = \frac{\sqrt{\eta}}{1 + \sqrt{\eta}} v_b \quad \text{Usual parameters in newtonian simulations} \rightarrow \begin{matrix} V_{bs} = 0.009 - 0.015 c \\ M_{bs} = 3 - 5 \end{matrix} \quad \eta \equiv \rho_b / \rho_m$$

Martí et al. (1997)

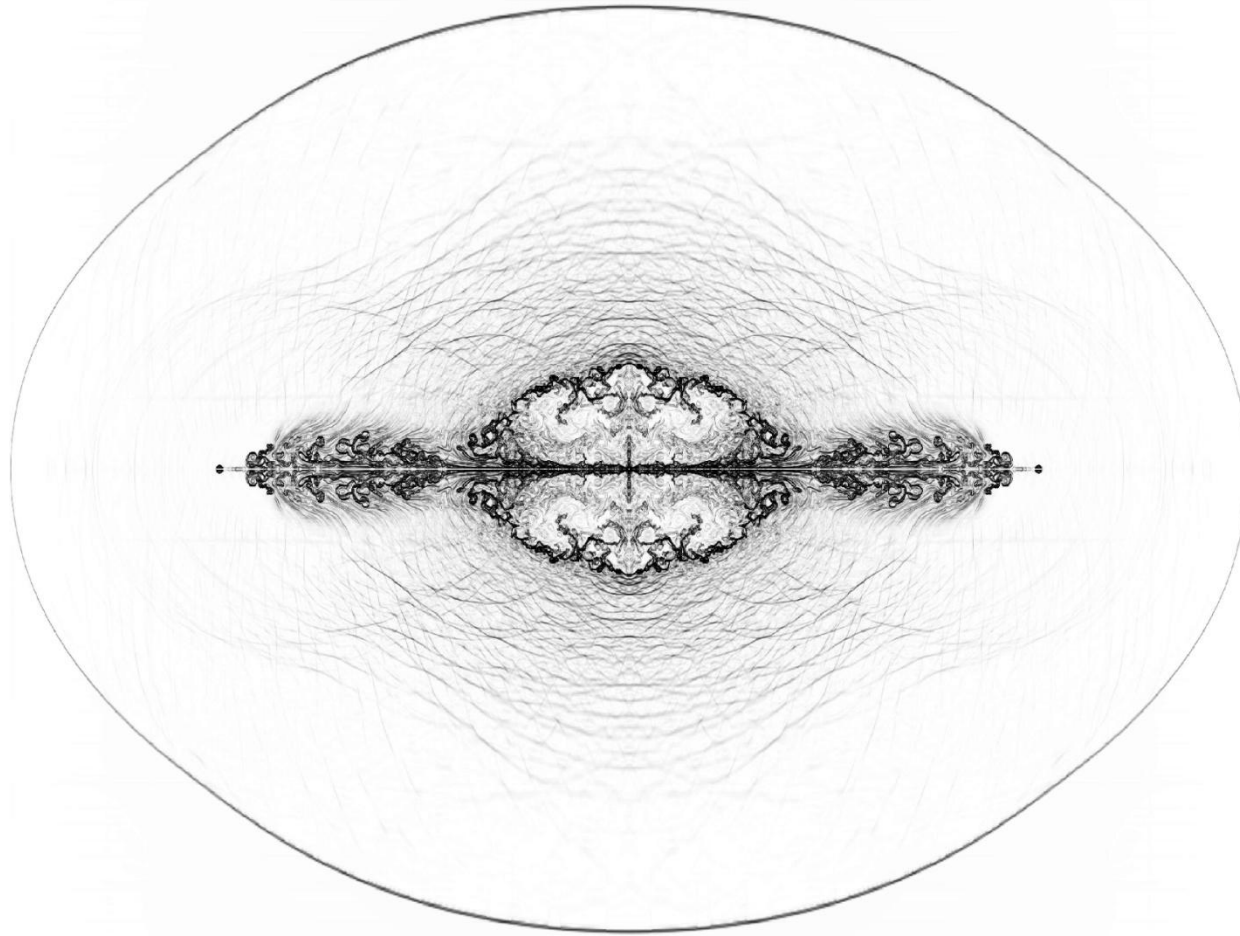
# The largest scales: Energy deposition in the ambient



$10^{46}$  erg/s

Schlieren plot: enhanced density gradients.

# The largest scales: Energy deposition in the ambient



100 kpc

$10^{44}$  erg/s

# The largest scales: Energy deposition in the ambient

$$v_c \propto t^\alpha, \rho_a \propto r^\beta$$

$$R_c \propto t^{\frac{2-\alpha}{4+\beta}}, P_c \propto t^{\frac{2(\alpha-2)-\alpha(4+\beta)}{4+\beta}}$$

$$R_c \propto t^{\frac{1-\alpha}{4+\beta}}, P_c \propto t^{\frac{2(\alpha-1)-(1+\alpha)(4+\beta)}{4+\beta}}$$

Active phase

Sedov phase

		1D phase				2D phase				Sedov phase			
		$\alpha$	$\beta$	$P_c$	$R_c$	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$P_c$	$R_c$	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$P_c$	$R_c$
J1	Sim	0.07	-1.55	-1.58	0.75	-0.23	-0.52	-1.09	0.66	-0.74	-1.02	-1.70	0.90
	Model			-1.65	0.79			-1.05	0.64			-1.43	0.58
J2	Sim	0.27	-1.55	-1.67	0.67	-0.57	-0.52	-0.95	0.81	-0.83	-1.02	-1.67	0.72
	Model			-1.68	0.71			-0.91	0.74			-1.40	0.61
J3	Sim	0.13	-1.55	-1.55	0.67	-0.35	-0.52	-1.08	0.74	-0.60	-1.02	-2.16	1.00
	Model			-1.66	0.76			-1.00	0.68			-1.47	0.54