Multi-frequency (and multi-epochs) polarimetry of a complete sample of "faint" PACO sources.









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Rocco Lico, PhD thesis edge-darkened edge-brightened weak optical emission lines strong optical emission lines

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Property	BL Lacs	FSRQs
Optical spectrum	no or weak emission lines	strong emission lines
Typical redshift	<i>z</i> < 0.6	z > 1
Cosmological evolution	weak or negative	strong and positive
Integrated power	$L \lesssim 10^{46}  {\rm erg \ s^{-1}}$	$L \sim 10^{46-48} \mathrm{erg}\mathrm{s}^{-1}$
Synchrotron SED peak	$> 10^{15} \mathrm{Hz}$	$\lesssim 10^{14.5}  \mathrm{Hz}$
Extended radio emission	FRI like	FRII like
SED photon energy	GeV/TeV	MeV/GeV
$\gamma$ -ray photon index	$\Gamma_{\gamma} < 2$	$\Gamma_{\gamma} > 2$

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## Knot structures along the jet



- Acceleration of particles occurs in situ via DSA (Fermi I) or magnetic reconnection (Lazarian et al. 2015)
- Multi-zone models are needed to explain jet features
- Leptonic models seems to be sufficient for describing blazars.



(Marscher et al. 2005)

# The state-of-the-art

 Polarization properties of extragalactic radio sources at high frequencies (> 20 GHz) are still poorly constrained.

References	Frequency (GHz)	# sources	Notes
Eichendorf & Reinhardt $(1979)^{17}$	[0.4, 15]	510	compilation of multi–frequency data
Tabara & Inoue $(1980)^{18}$	[0.4, 10.7]	1510	compilation of multi–frequency data
Simard-Normandin <i>et al.</i> $(1981)^{19,20}$	[1.6, 10.5]	555	compilation of multi–frequency data
Perley $(1982)^{21}$	1.5, 4.9	404	compilation of multi-frequency data
Rudnick <i>et al.</i> $(1985)^{22}$	[1.4, 90]	20	compilation of multi–frequency data
Aller <i>et al.</i> $(1992)^{23}$	4.8, 8.0, 14.5	62	$90\%$ complete sample with $S_{5{ m GHz}} > 1.3{ m Jy}$
Okudaira <i>et al.</i> $(1993)^{24}$	10	99	flat-spectrum sources with $S_{5\rm GHz} > 0.8 \rm Jy$
Nartallo <i>et al.</i> $(1998)^{25}$	273	26	compilation of flat-spectrum radio sources
Condon <i>et al.</i> (1998) - $NVSS^{26}$	1.4	$\sim 2 \times 10^{6}$	100% complete survey down to $S_{1.4\mathrm{GHz}} > 2.5\mathrm{mJy}$
Aller <i>et al.</i> $(1999)^{27}$	4.8, 8.0, 14.5	41	BLLac sources
Fanti <i>et al.</i> $(2001)^{28}$	4.9, 8.5	87	CSS sample with $S_{0.4 \text{ GHz}} > 0.8 \text{ Jy}$
Lister $(2001)^{29}$	43	32	$90\%$ complete sample with $S_{5\rm GHz} > 1.3\rm Jy$
Klein et al $(2003)^{30}$	1.4, 2.7, 4.8, 10.5	192	compilation of detections of the B3-VLA survey
Ricci <i>et al.</i> $(2004)^{31}$	18.5	250	complete sample with $S_{5 \text{ GHz}} > 1 \text{ Jy}$
Jackson <i>et al.</i> $(2007)^{32}$	8.4	$\sim 16000$	JVAS-CLASS surveys
Massardi et al. (2008) AT20G-BSS <sup>11</sup>	4.8, 8.6, 20	320	AT20G bright sample
Lopez-Caniego <i>et al.</i> $(2009)^{33}$	23, 33, 41	22	polarization detections in WMAP maps
Jackson <i>et al.</i> $(2010)^{34}$	8.4, 22, 43	230	WMAP sources follow-up
Murphy et al. (2010) $AT20G^9$	4.8, 8.6, 20	5890	$93\%$ complete survey with $S_{20 \text{ GHz}} > 40 \text{ mJy}$
Trippe <i>et al.</i> $(2010)^{35}$	[80, 267]	86	complete sample with $S_{90\text{GHz}} > 0.2 \text{Jy}$
Battye <i>et al.</i> $(2011)^{36}$	8.4, 22, 43	230	WMAP sources follow-up
Sajina <i>et al.</i> $(2011)^{12}$	4.8, 8.4, 22, 43	159	AT20G sources follow-up
Massardi <i>et al.</i> $(2013)^{37}$	4.8, 8.6, 18	193	complete sample with $S_{20 \text{ GHz}} > 500 \text{ mJy}$
Agudo <i>et al.</i> $(2014)^{38}$	86, 229	211	complete sample of flat-spectrum sources with $S_{86\mathrm{GHz}} > 1\mathrm{Jy}$
Farnes <i>et al.</i> $(2014)^{39}$	[0.4, 100]	951	Compilation of multi–frequency data
Planck Collaboration $(2015)^8$	30, 44, 70	122, 30, 34	polarization detections in Planck LFI maps (PCCS2)
	100, 143, 217, 353	20, 25, 11, 1	polarization detections in Planck HFI maps (PCCS2)

Compilations (no close observations at different frequencies, no completeness) Spectral selection (no completeness) High flux density treshold, i.e.  $\approx$  1 Jy (WMAP, PLANCK catalogues) Complete sample with high frequency obs.

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- Spatial configuration: H214 (hybrid and compact). Resolution  $\lambda/b_{max} \approx 5 \div 36$  arcsec (without CA06).
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#### ATCA obs (Sep 2014, Mar-Apr 2016)

- Observations consider all the Stokes parameters I,Q,U,V.
- Total intensity flux I with associated error  $\sigma_I = \sigma_V$  (+ 2.5% I).
- Polarized flux density:

$$P = \sqrt{Q^2 + U^2 - \sigma_V^2}$$
  $\sigma_P = \sqrt{\frac{Q^2 \sigma_Q^2 + U^2 \sigma_U^2}{Q^2 + U^2}}$  (+10% P)

- Overall detection rate in polarimetry is about 90% at 5  $\sigma$ .



- Double/triple power law models for fitting spectra both in I and P:
  - Total intensity: 4X512 MHz chuncks;
  - Polarization: 2X1 GHz chuncks.

$$S(\nu) = \frac{S_0}{\left(\frac{\nu}{\nu_0}\right)^{-a} + \left(\frac{\nu}{\nu_0}\right)^{-b}}$$

Success rates:

94% total intensity ( $\chi^2 \approx 1.12$ ); 75% polarization ( $\chi^2 \approx 1.89$ ).



#### ATCA obs (Sep 2014, Mar-Apr 2016) Spectra in total intensity and polarization; pol. fraction and PA

(error bars are smaller than plot symbols)



+ Pol.
▽ Upper limits Pol.
∆ Tot. Int. AT20G (best epoch in 2004-2008)

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x Tot. int. PACO (Jul 2009-Aug 2010)

- Tot. int. fit curve

Pol. fit curve

+ Tot. int.

- \* (Linear) Pol. fraction
- (Circular) Pol. fraction
- Olarization Angle

## Color-color plots

(error bars are smaller than plot symbols)



Tot. Int. $\rightarrow$	(I)	(P)	(F)	(S)	(U)	
Pol. Int. $\downarrow$						
(I)	0	3	0	1	0	4
(P)	0	24	4	20	0	48
$(\mathrm{F})$	0	5	4	4	0	13
(S)	0	5	8	7	0	20
(U)	0	8	5	3	0	16
(NA)	0	1	1	1	0	3
	0	46	22	36	0	

TOT. Int.	$2.5-5.5\mathrm{GHz}$	$5.5-10\mathrm{GHz}$	$10-18\mathrm{GHz}$	$18-28\mathrm{GHz}$	$28-38\mathrm{GHz}$
All Steep Peaked Flat	$-0.02 \\ -0.33 \\ 0.32 \\ -0.01$	$-0.11 \\ -0.37 \\ 0.06 \\ -0.12$	$-0.24 \\ -0.46 \\ -0.14 \\ -0.14$	-0.46 -0.76 -0.42 -0.26	$-0.75 \\ -1.02 \\ -0.74 \\ -0.34$
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#### ALMA Data

- Observed proposal for ALMA-Cycle 3 to measure the polarization of the PACO faint sample at 100GHz to even higher sensitivity (down to 0.03 mJy) .
- Only 32 sources selected from the original 53 (obs. in Sep. 2014) drawn from the faint PACO sample.





- Spectrally-selected PACO
- ✤ ATCA calibrators
- Bright PACO

Fig. 1: Polar plot showing the distribution of the complete PACO sample. The color identifying each subsample is the same adopted in the two tables on the right, which provide observational details.

#### MWA + ATCA + ALMA

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FREQUENCY (GHz)

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# (Linear) Polarization fractions

 Agudo et al. (2010) between 15 – 90 GHz and Sajina et al. (2011) between 5 – 40 GHz find indications of increasing polarization fraction with frequency.

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#### Polarization angle

- Only 9 objects can be fit by the linear RM relation over the 2.1-38GHz range (4 compatible with very low or null rotation < 10 rad/m<sup>2</sup>.
- We identify two regimes, i.e. cm and mm-wavelenghts and perform separate linear fit

(~40% cm, ~57% mm)

All sample (42)	1C(3)	2-3C (31)	> 3C (8)
I med III	I med III	I med III	I med III
18  37  58	- 60 -	15  34  53	- 37 -
All sample (23)	1C(2)	2-3C (18)	> 3C (3)
I med III	I med III	I med III	I med III
40 94 244	- 335 -	46 84 220	- 122 -
All sample (59)	1C (4)	2-3C (50)	> 3C(5)
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$$\Delta \phi = \text{RM}\lambda^2$$
  
RM =  $\frac{e^3}{2\pi m^2 c^4} \int_0^d n_e(s) B_{||}(s) \, \mathrm{d}s$ 

$$\mathrm{RM}_{\mathrm{obs}} = \frac{\mathrm{RM}_{\mathrm{AGN}}}{(1+z)^2} + \mathrm{RM}_{\mathrm{gal}} + \mathrm{RM}_{\mathrm{ion}}$$

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N. Oppermann et al.: The Galactic Faraday sky

![](_page_17_Picture_3.jpeg)

#### Some peculiar objects...

#### • PKS B0409-752

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#### PKS0521-365 (Elisabetta Liuzzo's poster)

#### Polarized emission in the mm band of PKS0521-365: ALMA observations.

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#### Abstract:

The role of magnetic field in the AGN jet physics is still not fully determined. At pc scale, it is known that it is important in the acceleration and collimation processes while at arcsecond scale it could reveal fundamental pieces of the jet dynamics and energetics and its surrounding environment. At intermediate scales, the scenario is more debated. To contribute in this framework, we need to resolve polarized emission even in the low surface brightness extended structures (e.g. lobes). This absolutely requires high sensitivity observations. With the advent of ALMA, now it is possible also in the millimeter, a band which was unexplored by previous facilities. Here I present the impressive images in polarization obtained using ALMA archival multi band data of an ALMA calibrator PKS 0521-365 which represents a prototype of BL Lac object with extended resolved structures (jet and hotspot) at all frequencies from optical to X-rays.

#### The peculiar case of PKS 0521-365

This is a nearby (z = 0.0554) radio-loud object and bright FERMI source, exhibiting a variety of nuclear and extranuclear phenomena (Falomo et al. 2009). It is one of the most remarkable object in the sourthern sky: It is one of the three known BL Lac objects showing a kiloparsec-scale jet well resolved at all bands (Liuzzo et al. 2011). As showed in Fig.1, a one-side radio jet extends in N-W side up to 7 arcsec, with the presence of many knots that are also detected from optical to X-rays (Falomo et al. 2009). An hotspot is also detected in all bands at 8 arcsec from the nucleus in the southeast direction. At low frequency, the arcsecond-scale radio structure is dominated by an extended lobe.

The overall energy distribution of PKS 0521-365 is consistent with a jet oriented at about 30 degrees with respect to the line of sight. This is also in agreement with the absence of superluminal motion in the parsec–scale jet (Falomo et al. 2009).

In the millimeter bands, extended structures (hotspot and jet) of this object are detected up to 320 GHz, with similar structures from optical to X-rays (Liuzzo et al. 2015, Leon et al 2016). An estimate of molecular gas content is also given together with an analysis od the SED of each source component (Liuzzo et al. 2015).

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Fig. 1 Multiband images of PKS 0521-365

#### ALMA observations and results

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We analysed polarization data in • Band 3 from our propretary data

- Band 3 from our propretary data (PI: V. Galluzzi);
- Band 5 from science verification observations;
- Band 7 from public archival data.

We found that the source is well resolved upt to 350 GHz with detection of core, inner jet and hotspot.

Polarized emission is revealed:

0.07

0.03

a.m

0.01

in the core and hotspot up to B 7.
also in the extended jet and lobe in B 3 with position angle parallel to the jet direction and to the shock front in the lobe.

#### Polarimetric observations: goals

- Characterize the polarization properties (e.g. the fractional polarization trend with frequency and Faraday depolarization at lower frequencies) of radio source populations.
- Statistically study the geometry of the emission regions, i.e. properties of magnetic fields and matter distributions of the surrounding and outflowing matter.
- Estimate and remove foreground contamination from the polarised CMB angular power spectrum.

![](_page_19_Figure_4.jpeg)

From Massardi, Galluzzi, Paladino and Burigana, Int. J. Mod. Phys. D 25 (2016) 1640009

### Conclusions

- High sensitivity (σ<sub>P</sub>≈ 0.6 mJy/beam) polarimetric observations of a complete sample of 104 extragalactic radio sources (det. rate ≈ 90%).
- Continuum spectra of about 85 % of sources well fitted by a double/triple power laws, both in total intensity and polarization.
- Polarized emission cannot be simply inferred from total intensity for several sources.
- Spectra both in total intensity and polarization generally steepen at  $v \geq 30$  GHz.
- No significant trend of the fractional polarization with either flux density or frequency was found.
- Polarization angle accuracy limited by calibration error at  $\approx$  3 deg.
- Evidence of Faraday rotation in only 9 cases over the whole 2.1-38 GHz range, usually two regimes with higher RM at higher frequencies.
- Mean variability index in total intensity of steep-spectrum sources increases with frequency for 4-5 year lag, while no significant trend shows up for peaked-spectrum and for 8 year lag. In polarization higher variability by a factor  $\approx 1.5$  wrt total intensity.