

Kpc-scale radio-jets in NLS1s?

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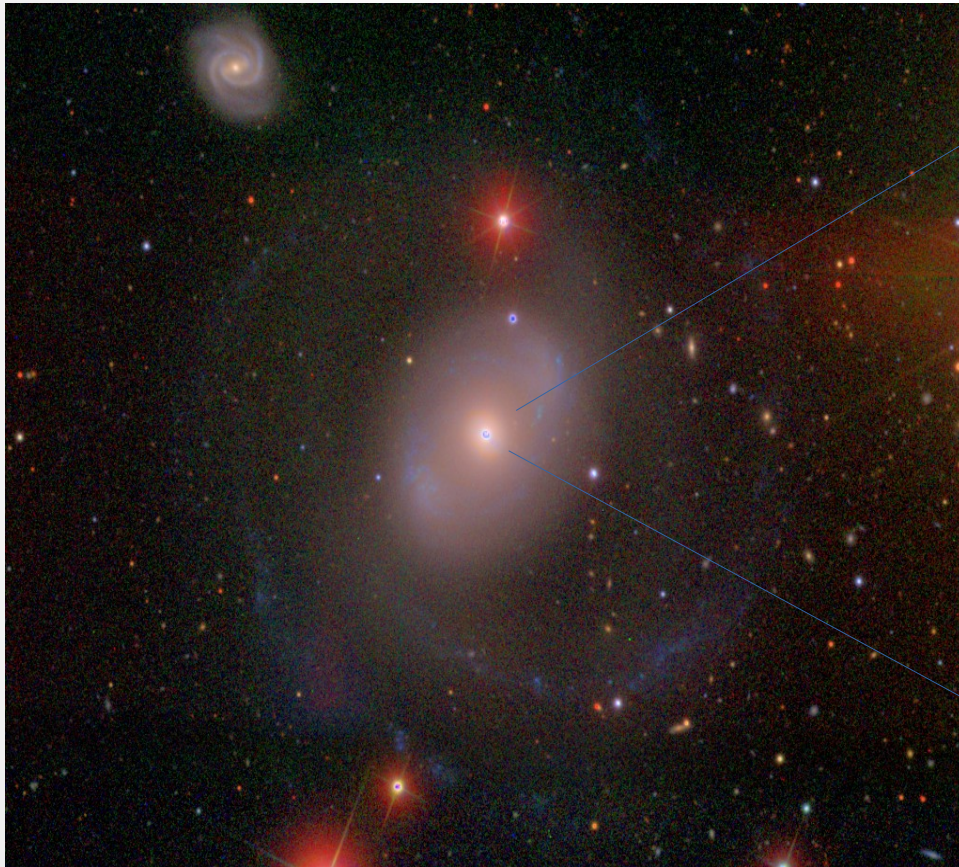
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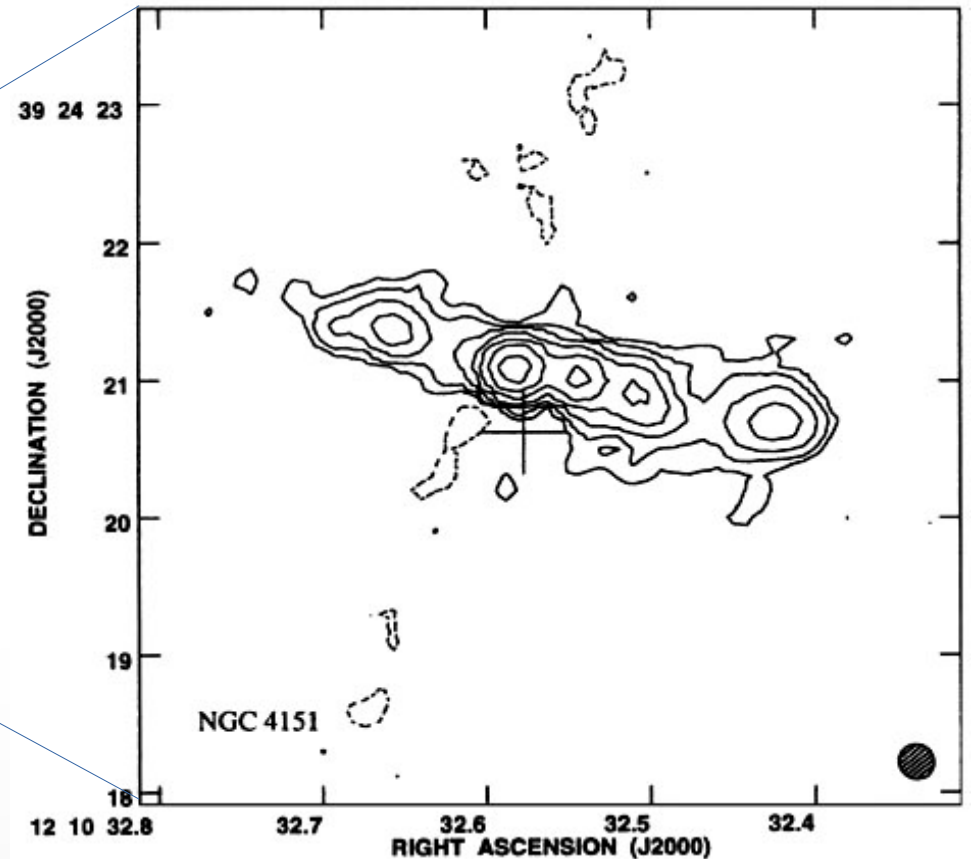
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Radio-jets in Seyfert Galaxies

- ◆ High resolution radio observations --> parsec-scale radio -jets
- ◆ Small-scale, low-power versions of the large-scale jets seen in radio galaxies



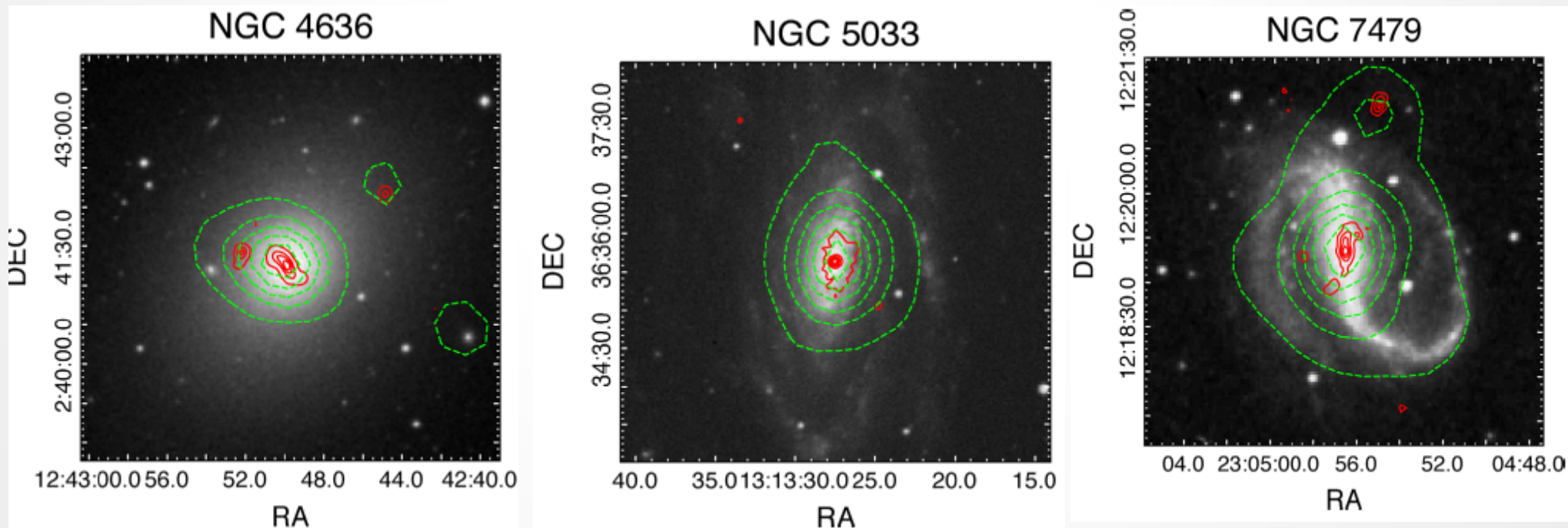
NGC 4151: Seyfert Type 1



8.4 GHz VLA A array observations
(Kukula et al. 1995)

Kpc-Scale Radio structures in Seyferts

- A significant fraction (40%) of Seyferts show kpc-scale radio emission. (Singh et al. 2015)
- Kpc-scale radio-jets appear distorted (perhaps by the interaction with the ISM)

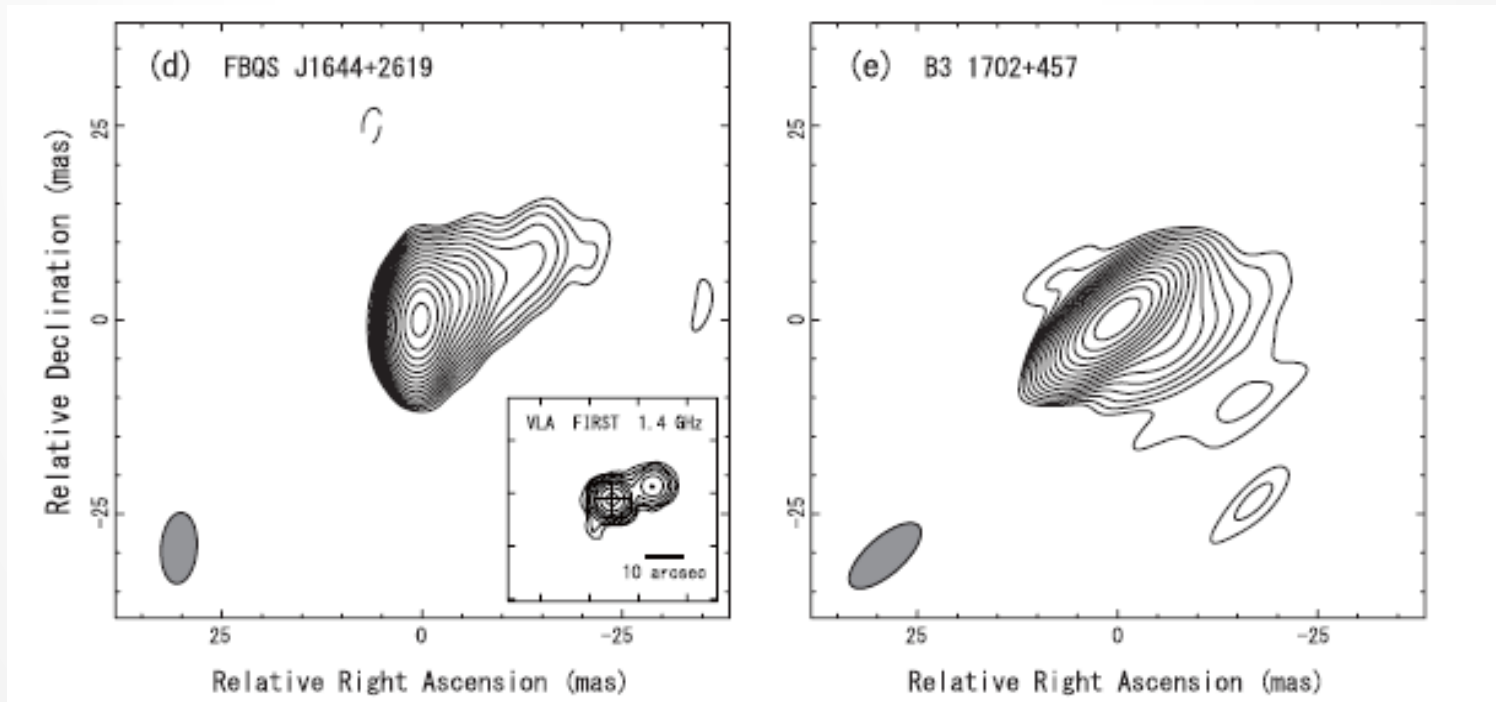


1.4 GHz NVSS (green), FIRST (red) contours overlaid in DSS optical images

Radio-jets in NLS1s?

very long baseline interferometry (VLBI) pc-scale radio properties

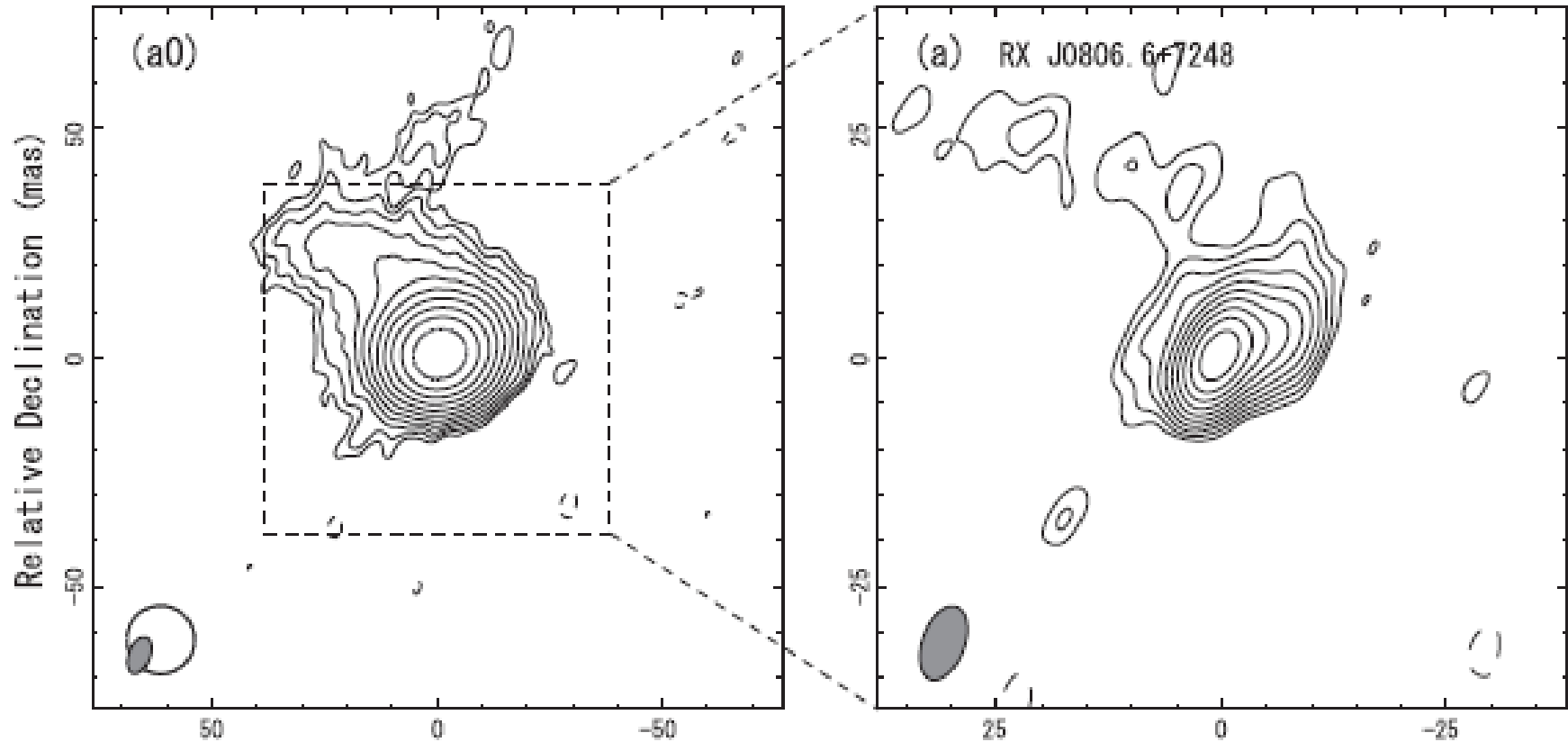
- ◆ A few NLS1 shows a prominent one-sided linear structure
- ◆ Doppler beaming with an intrinsic jet speed of $0.7c - 0.9c$
- ◆ Mildly or highly relativistic jets
- ◆ High brightness temperature ($10^8 - 10^{10}$ K)
- ◆ Inverted radio spectrum
- ◆ Rapid flux variability



Radio-jets in NLS1s?

very long baseline interferometry (VLBI) pc-scale radio properties

- ◆ Not all radio-bright NLS1s are blazar like
- ◆ Some NLS1s show steep spectra with diffuse pc-scale structures
- ◆ Unlikely to be strongly beamed



Motivation

- Are relativistic jets in NLS1s common?
- What is the radio-loudness of NLS1s?
- Which factors determine the radio-loudness (mass and spin of SMBH, accretion rate, host galaxy properties etc.)
- How radio-jets in NLS1s compare with BL-AGN?

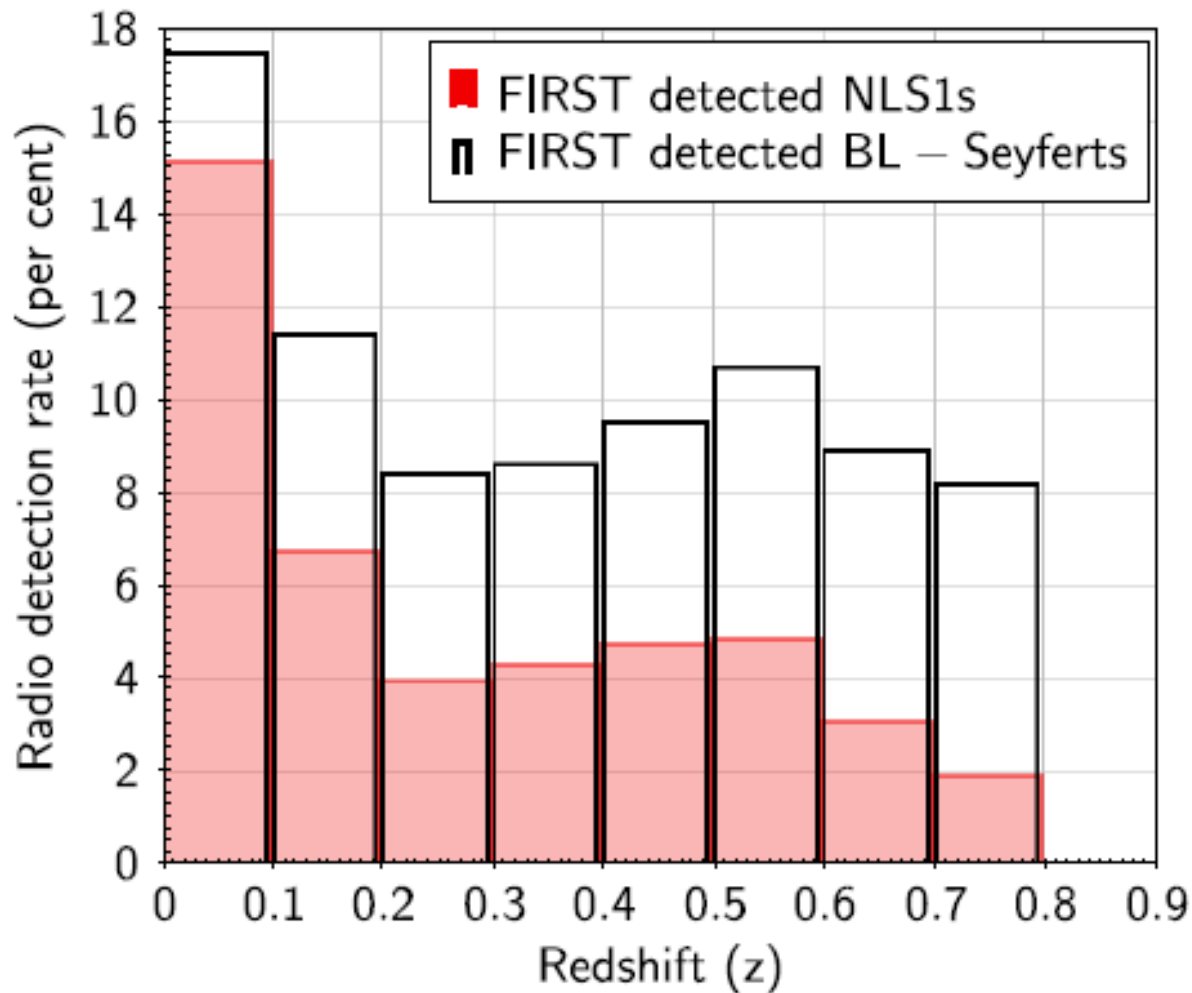
VLBI/VLBA observations are limited to small samples of few dozens of NLS1s.

Investigation of Radio properties of NLS1s

- 11101 optically-selected NLS1s ($z < 0.8$)
(Rakshit et al. 2017)
- Derived from SDSS DR 12
- Search for Radio-counterparts in 1.4 GHz FIRST, 1.4 GHz NVSS, 327 MHz WENSS and 150 MHz TGSS
- 498/11101 (4.5%) radio-detected NLS1s
- 95.5% NLS1s remain undetected

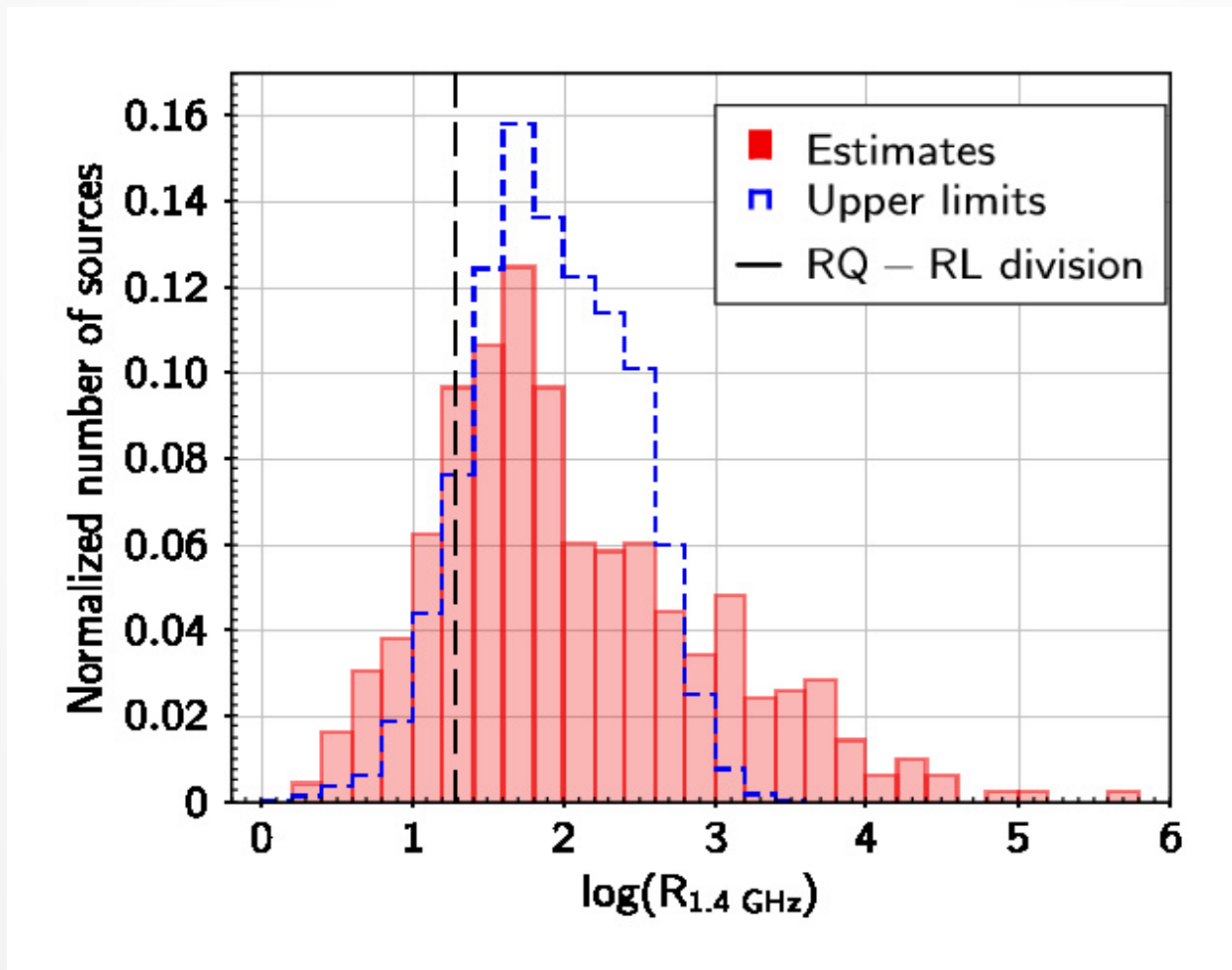
Radio detection rate is lower for NLS1

- ◆ In compared to BL-Seyferts the radio-detection rate of NLS1s is lower
- ◆ Jet production efficiency is lower in NLS1s and/or
- ◆ Jets are of low power



Fraction radio-loud NLS1s?

- ◆ Most of radio-detected (407/498 ~ 82%) are radio-loud in our sample.
- ◆ Overall fraction of RL-NLS1s in optically-selected sample is merely 3.5%
- ◆ A fraction of NLS1s with no detection can also be radio-loud



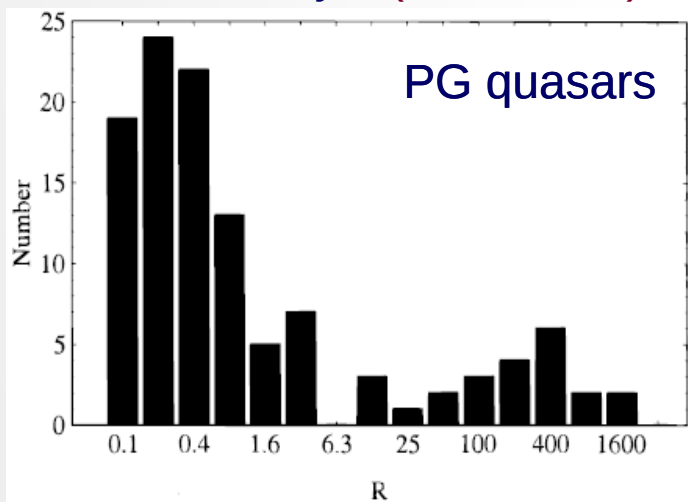
No RL-RQ dichotomy

Radio-loud Radio-quiet dichotomy does not exist !

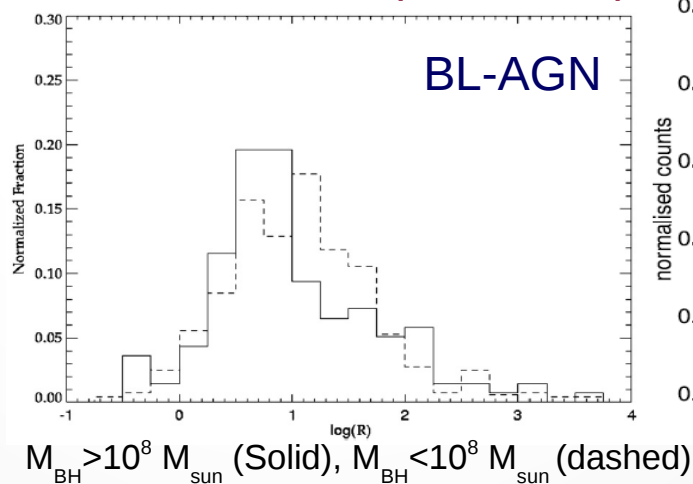
A change in paradigm

- ◆ Presence of dichotomy in early samples can be explained due to sample selection effects
- ◆ But basic question still exist - What makes AGN radio-loud?
(SMBH mass, accretion rate, Host galaxy, combination of more than one factor)

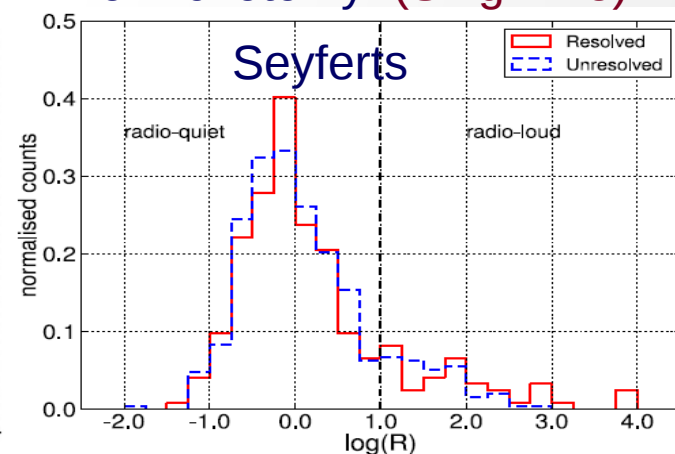
Dichotomy (Falcke+96)



No Dichotomy (Rafter+09)

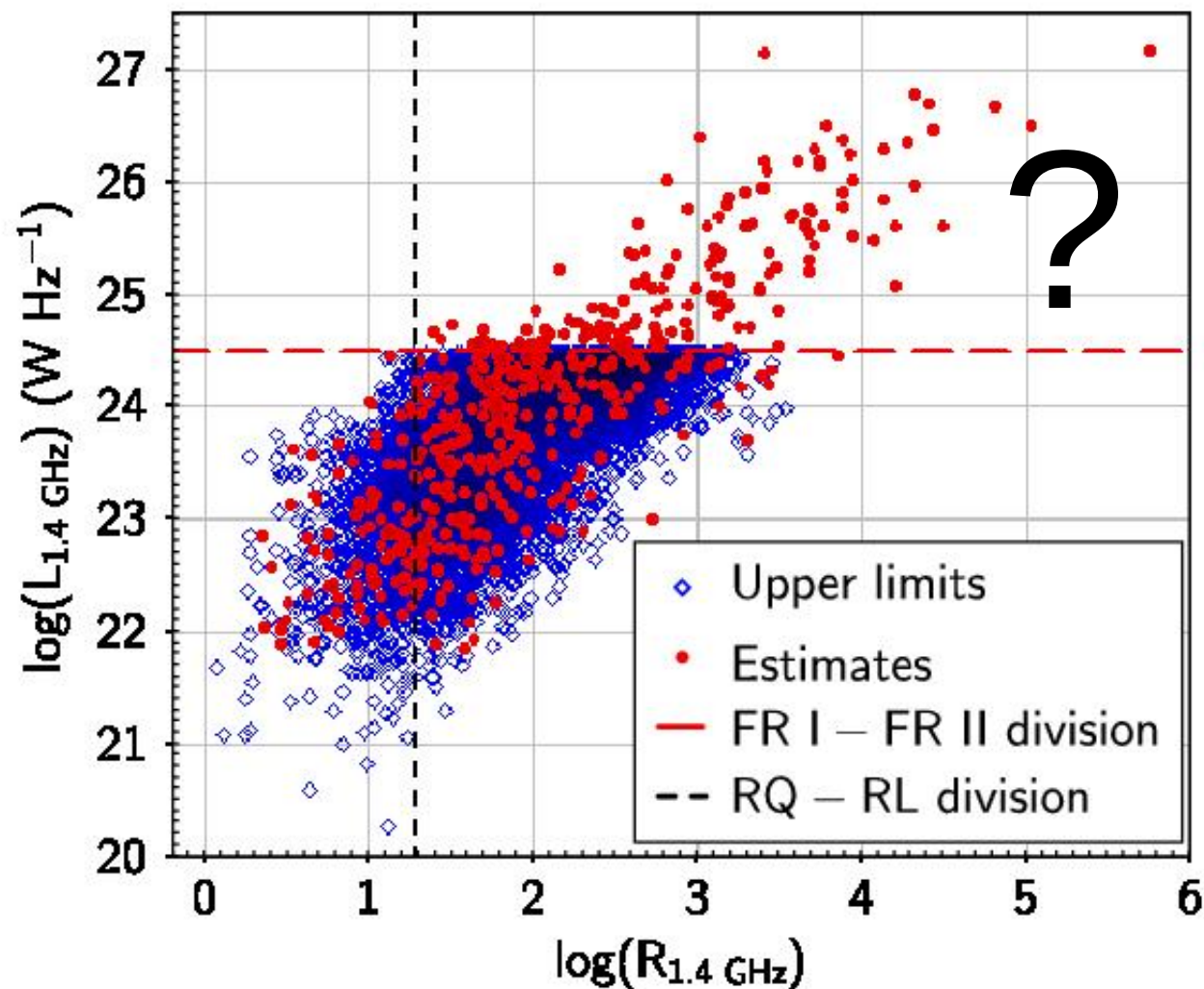


No Dichotomy (Singh+15)



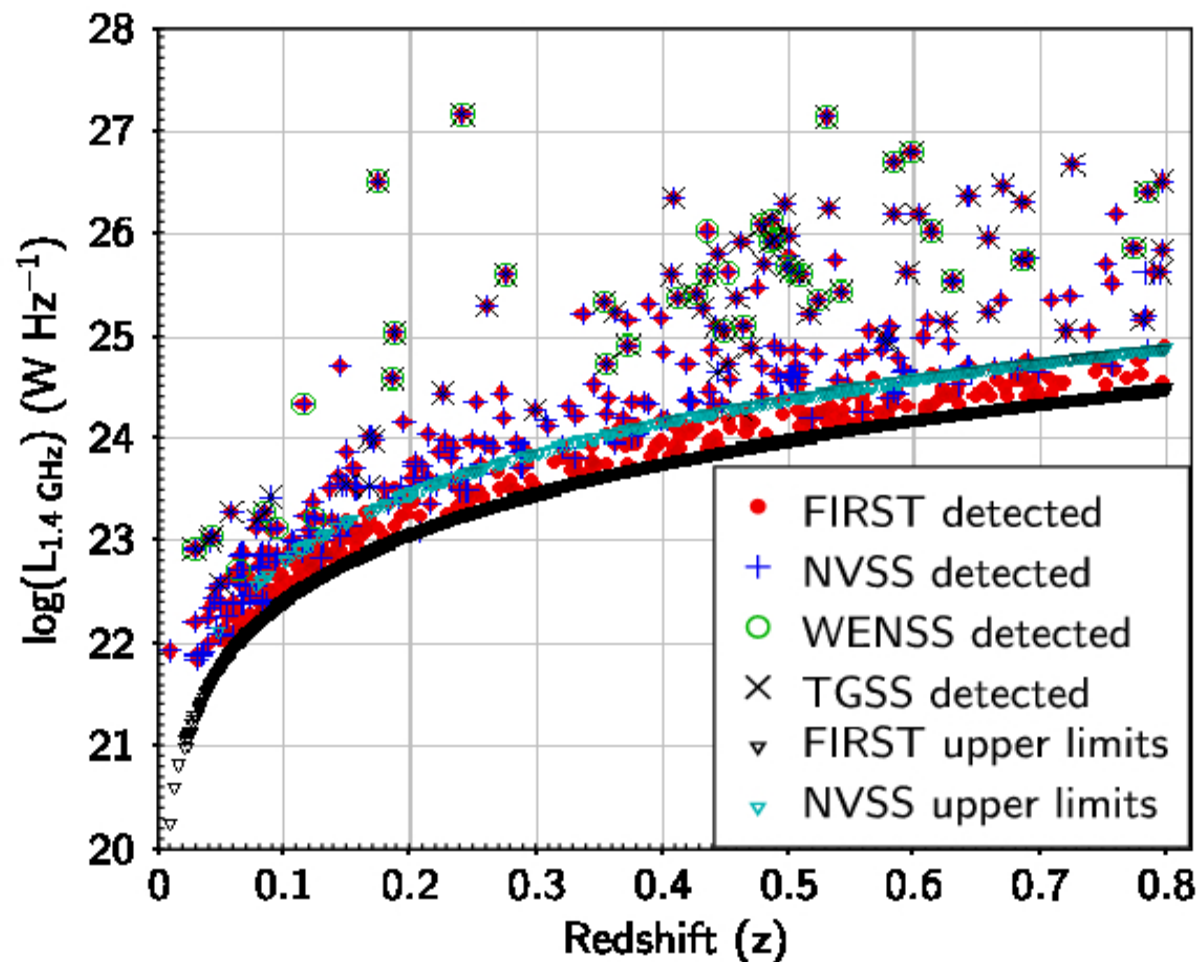
Radio properties of NLS1s

- ◆ Wide range of distributions in radio-loudness and radio luminosity
- ◆ Unexpected radio-luminous NLS1s (similar to powerful radio galaxies)



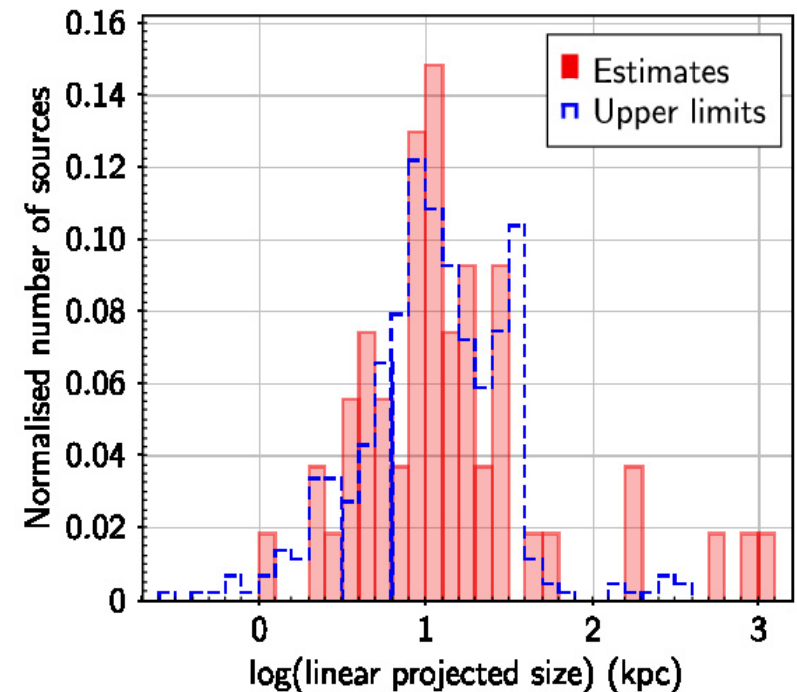
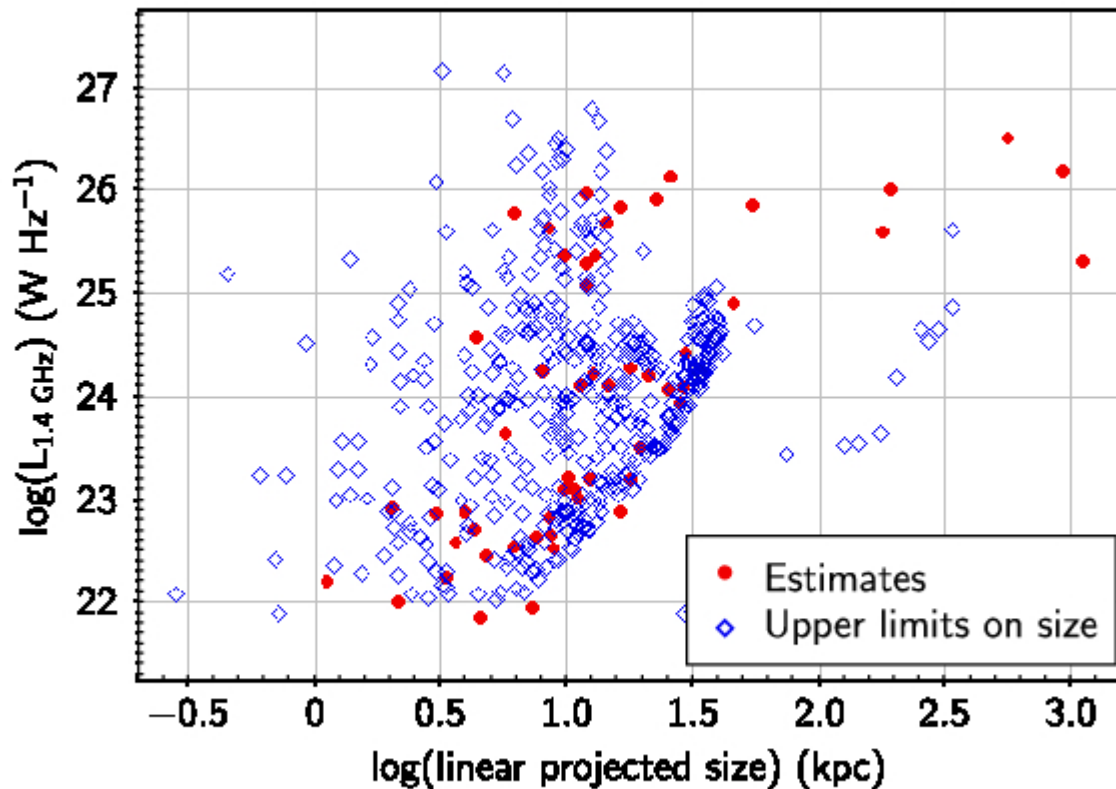
Radio properties of NLS1s

- ◆ Radio-luminous NLS1s are preferentially found at higher redshifts
- ◆ Increase in luminosity with z is consistent with the fact the AGN number increases with z having peak at $z \sim 2$.



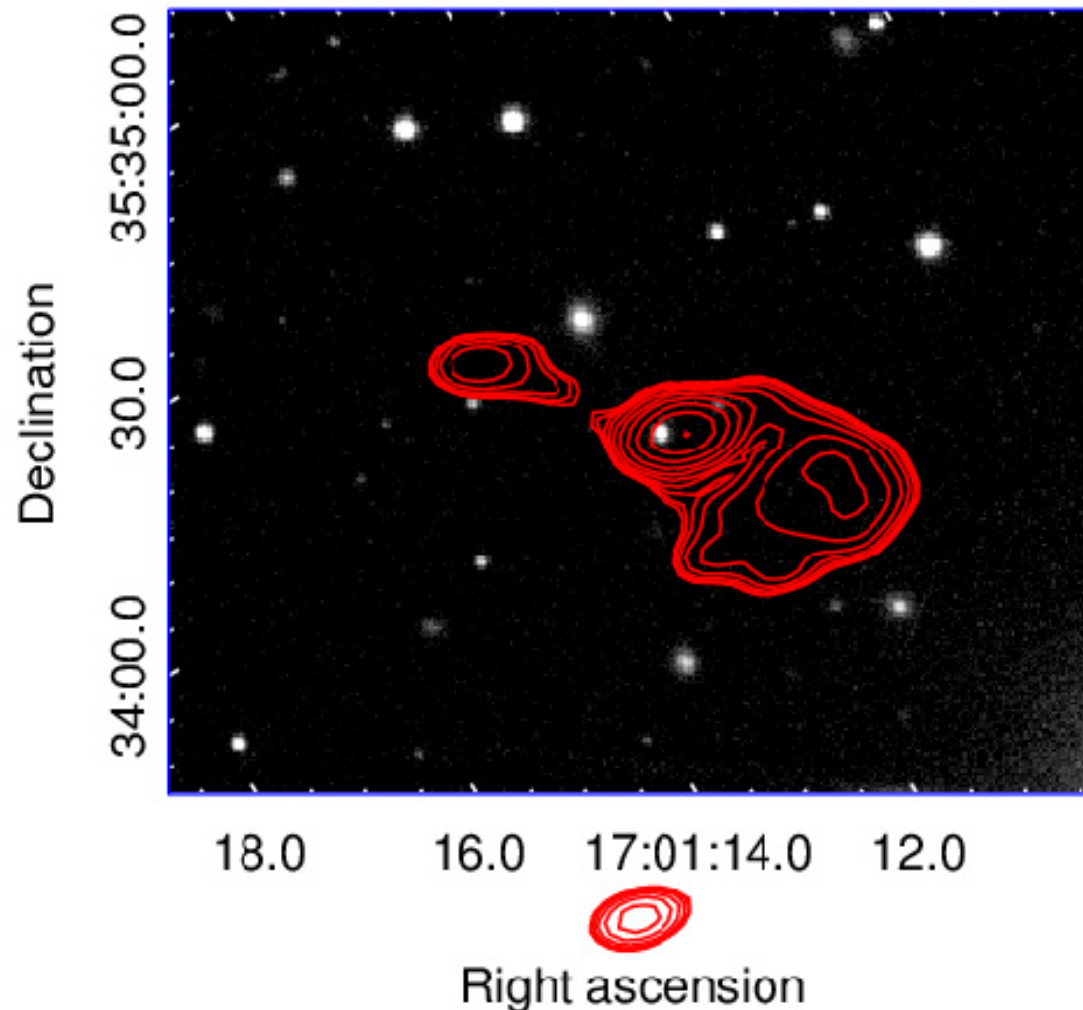
Radio sizes of NLS1s

- ◆ In general, radio-sizes of NLS1s are small (< 30 kpc for unresolved sources)
- ◆ Nearly 10% radio-detected NLS1s shows sizes > 1 kpc (resolved sources)
- ◆ A few NLS1s show large sizes similar to radio galaxies --> narrow line radio galaxies
- ◆ Most radio-luminous NLS1s appear compact, often unresolved in FIRST



Kpc-scale jets in NLS1s

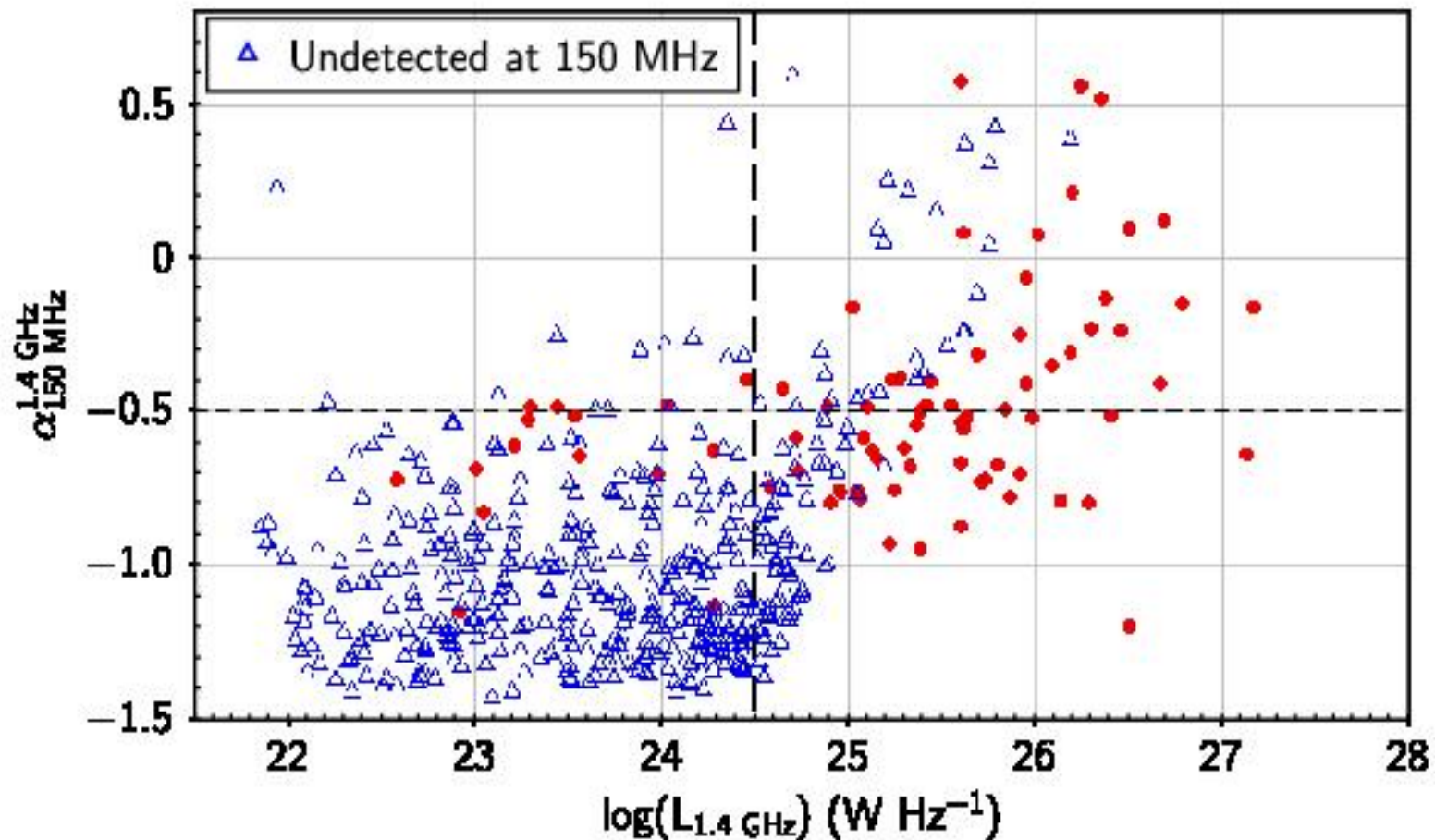
325 MHz and 610 MHz uGMRT images show extended Kpc-scale radio jet-lobe structures
Asymmetry in radio lobes can be understood if jet are oriented closer to line-of-sight.



Radio spectra of NLS1s

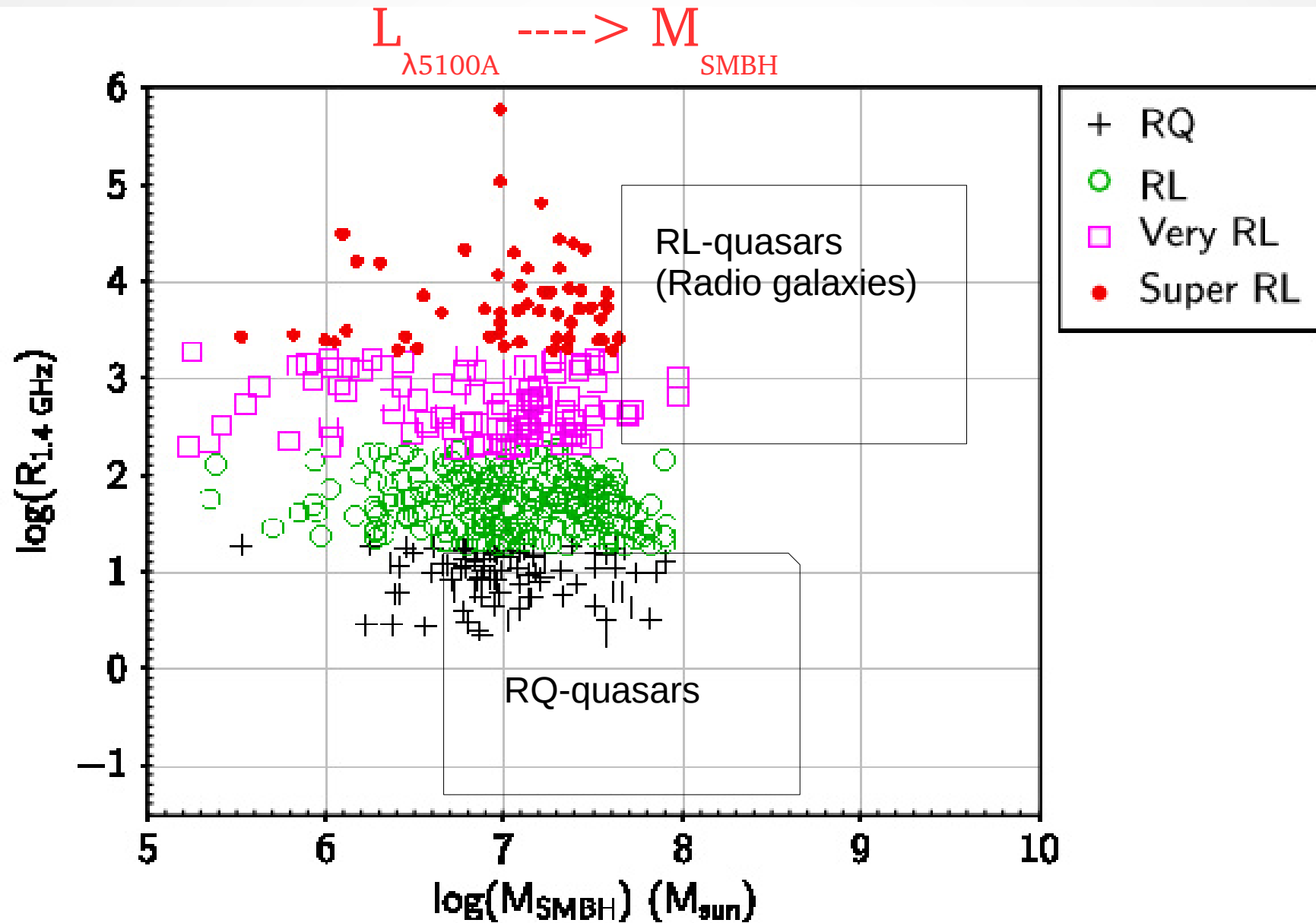
Derived from 1.4 GHz FIRST and 150 MHz TGSS

Radio-luminous NLS1s tend show flat/inverted radio spectra



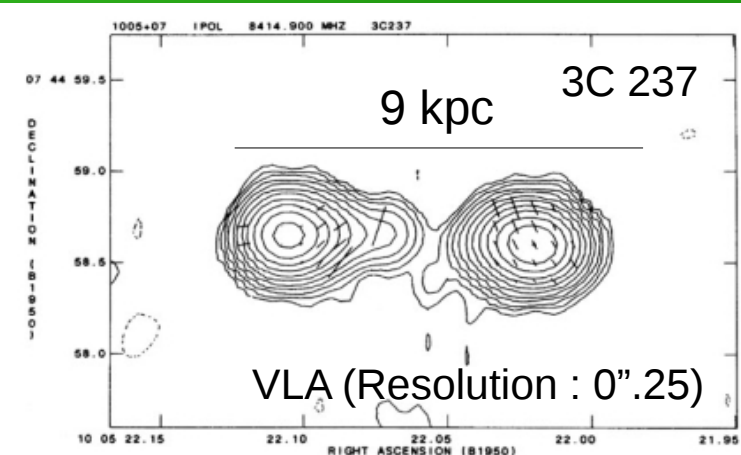
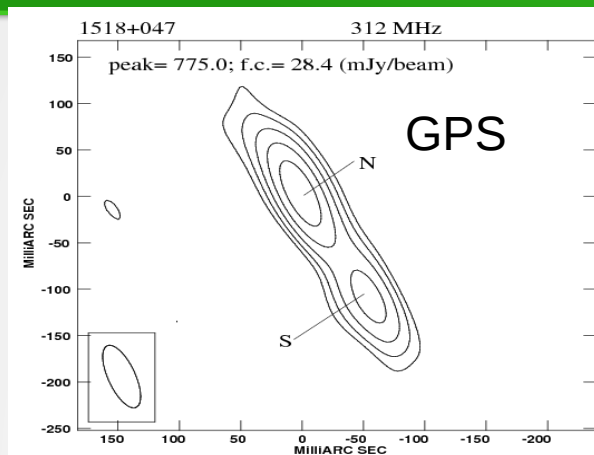
Radio-Loudness Vs. M_{SMBH}

SMBH



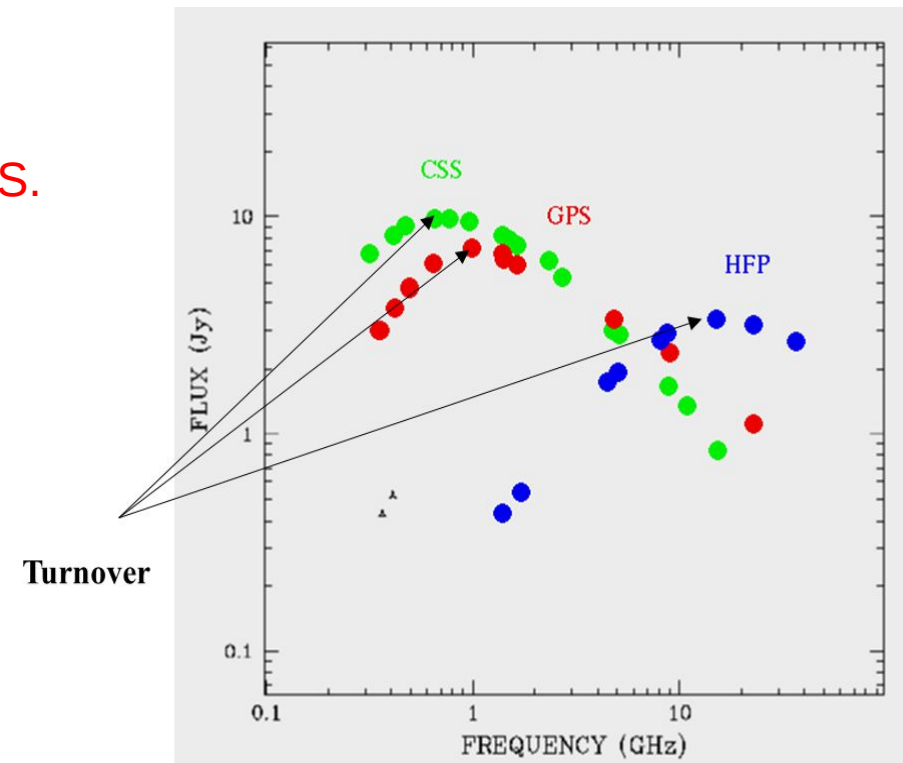
Are RL-NLS1s young radio galaxies?

Giga-hertz Peaked Spectrum (GPS) and Compact Steep Spectrum (CSS)



Pc-scale jet from VLBA (Morganti et al. 2010)

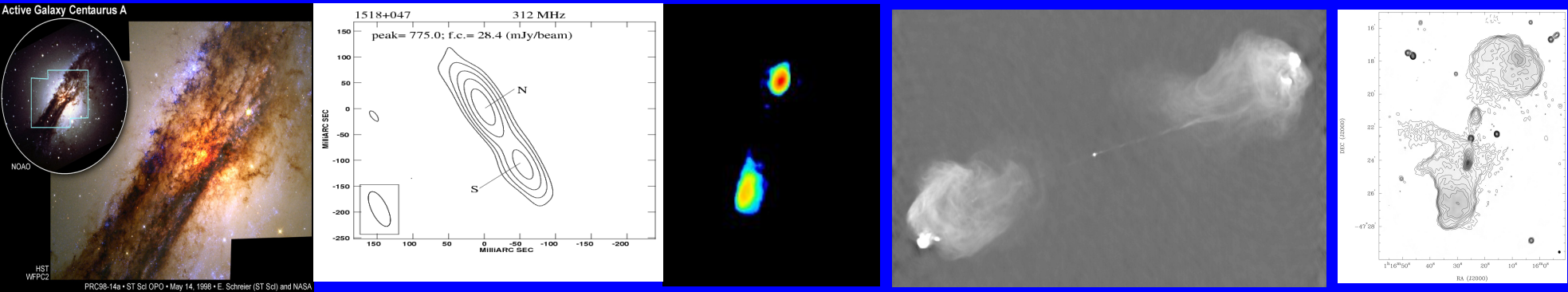
- ◆ RL-NLS1s show properties similar to GPS and CSS.
- ◆ CSS sources (few kpc) are larger than GPS and peaks around few 100 MHz (Snellen et al. 2000)
- ◆ GPS sources peak around 1 GHz and shows two lobes at parsec scale



Multi-frequency multi-scale observations of RL-NLS1s are needed.

Evolution of AGN radio-jets

NLS1s



- **Birth** → **Infancy (GPS/CSO)** → **Youth (CSS)** → **Adulthood (FRI/II)** → **Death/Rebirth**
- **<100** **10²-10⁴ yrs** **10⁴-10⁶ yrs** **10⁶-10⁸ yrs** **>10⁸ yrs**
- **Acc.disk** **<NLR (10-1000pc)** **<Gal (1-20Kpc)** **IGM (20-1000Kpc)** **IGM (20-1000Kpc)**
- **IR** **GHz Peaked** **100 MHz Peaked** **Steep Spectrum** **USS (sp. break)**

Radio jets in NLS1s

Compact radio emission attributed following scenarios:

- (1) **Youth scenario** : Radio-jets are in an early evolutionary stage and may continue to grow to Mpc-scale extended radio sources (Fanti et al. 1995).
- (2) **Frustration scenario** : The growth of radio-jet is retarded (stagnated) by the dense interstellar medium (ISM) within the host galaxy (Carvalho 1994, 1998).
- (3) **Orientation effect** : powerful jets oriented along the line of sight give compact size and higher luminosity due to beaming effect.

Summary

- Radio-detection rate of NLS1s is fairly small (4.5%)
- NLS1s have lower radio detection rate in compared to BLS1s
- Mostly compact but a small fraction (10%) having kpc-scale radio structures
- There are unconventional powerful RL-NLS1s with low SMBH ($< 10^8 M_{\text{sun}}$) --> Blazar-like
- Lower SMBH with higher spin can make AGN radio-loud
- Possible evolutionary stage : young phase or may be stagnated

The background features a dark blue, textured field with a prominent diagonal streak of light. This streak transitions from a bright red at the top left to a vibrant purple at the bottom right, creating a sense of movement and energy. The overall effect is reminiscent of a nebula or a light trail in space.

Thank you