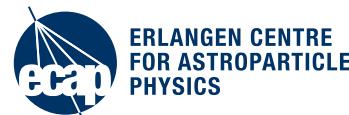


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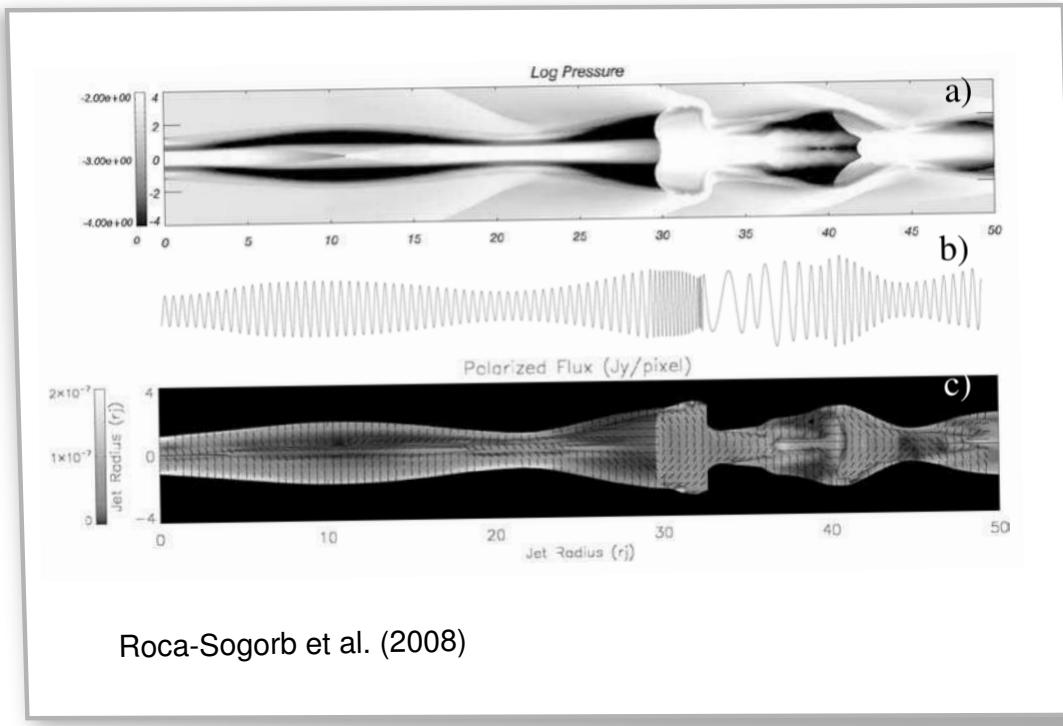
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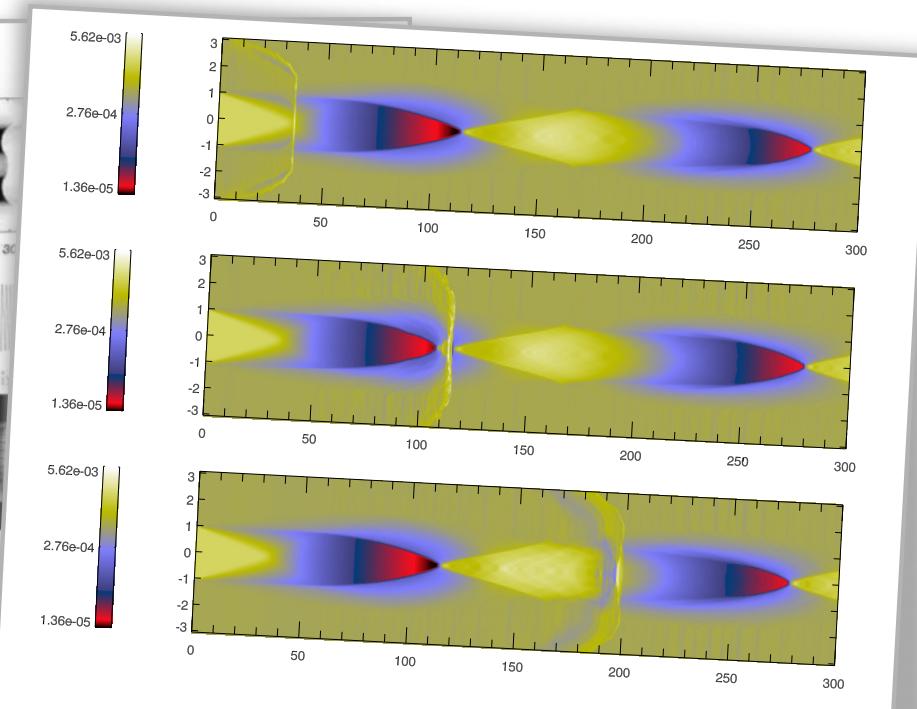
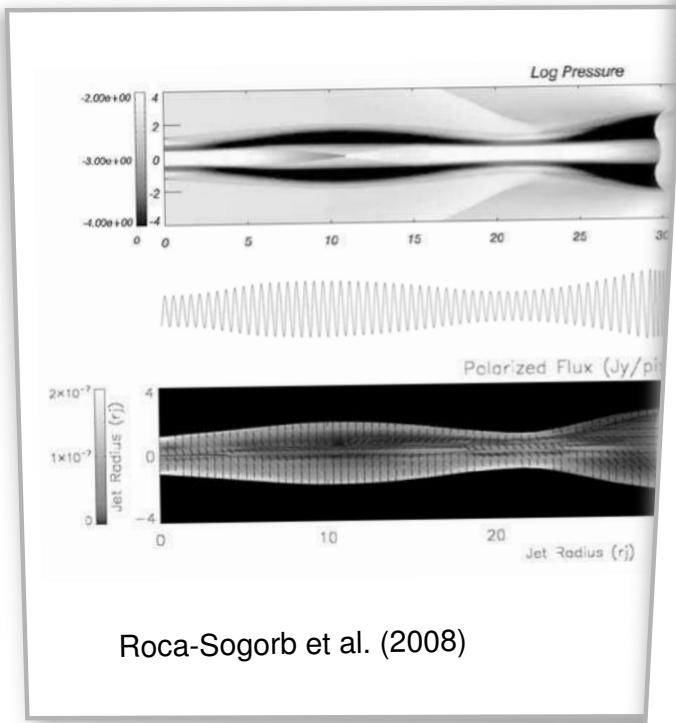
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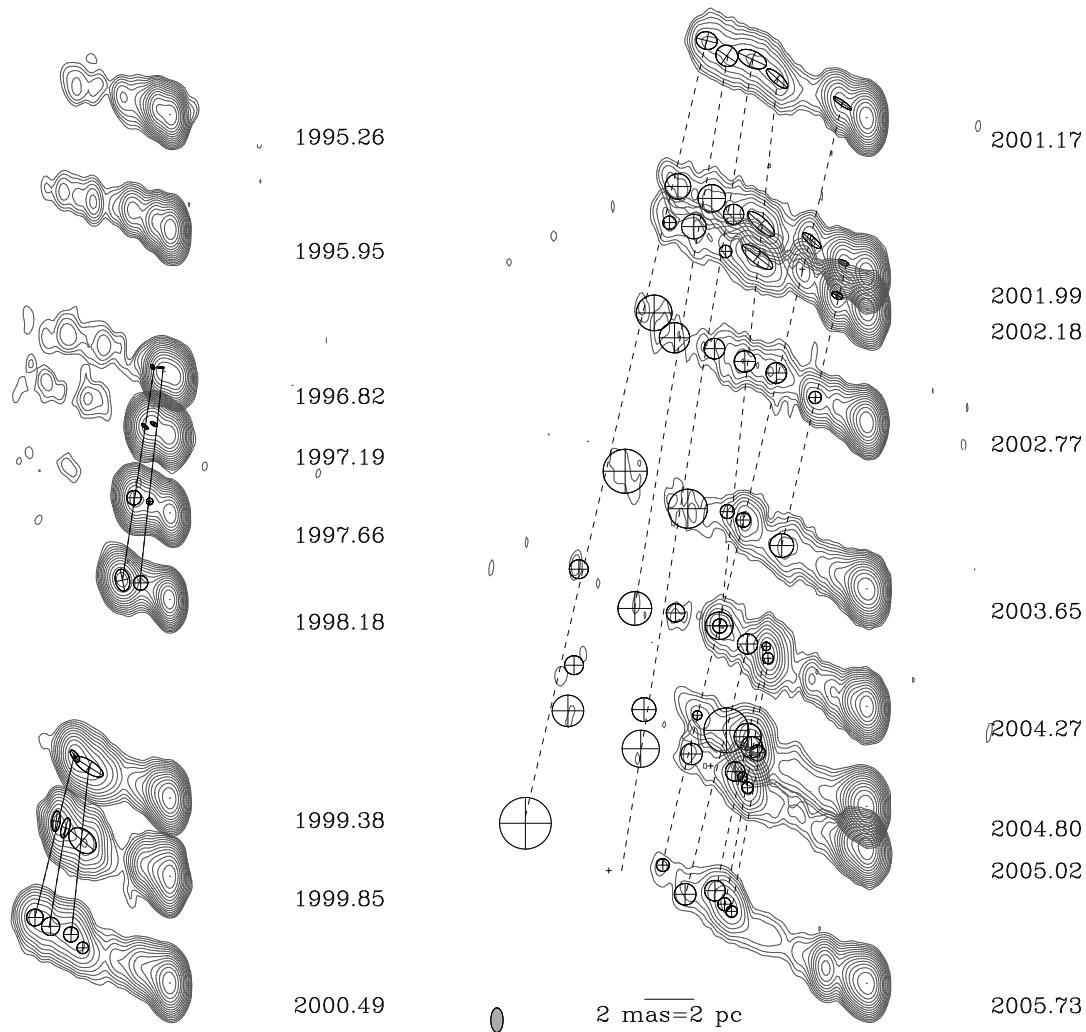
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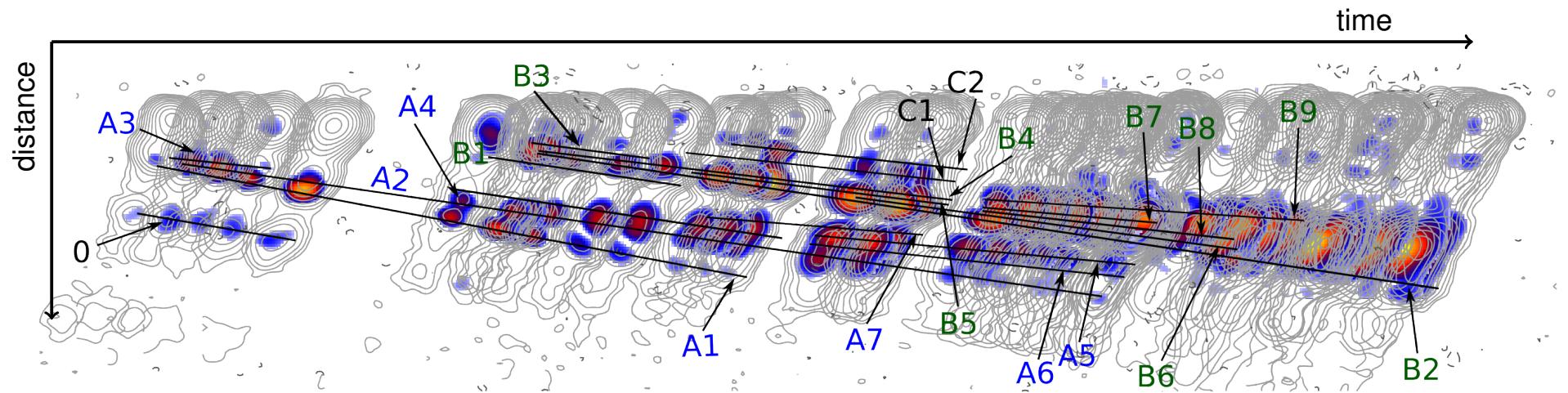
Previous work



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- 10 years, 18 epochs
- 7 epochs with polarimetry data
- great study of kinematics and jet physics

Continued MOJAVE monitoring at 15 GHz

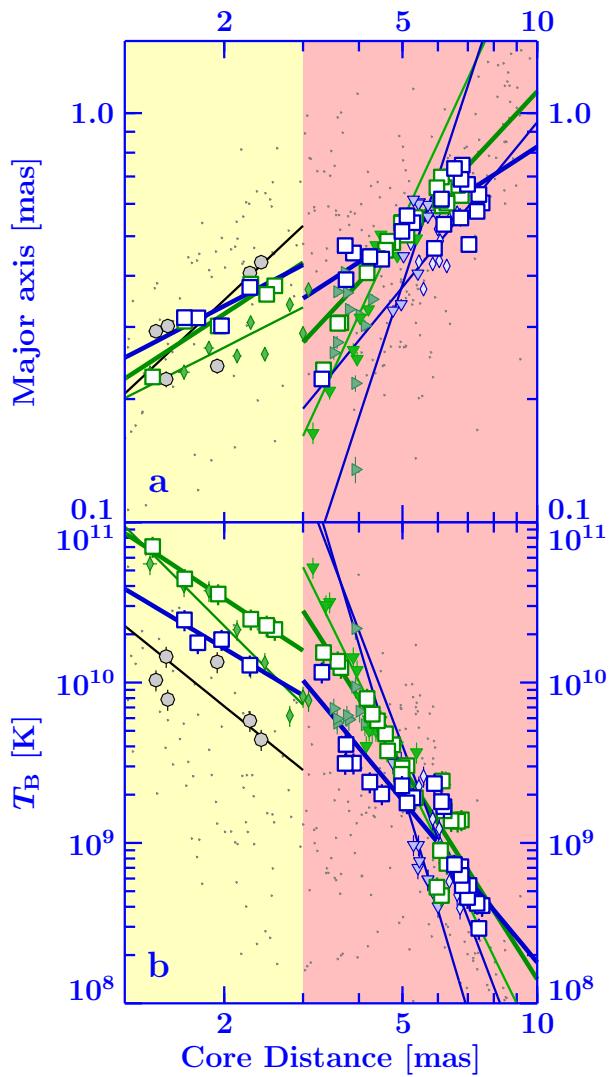


- 36 epochs in 5 years
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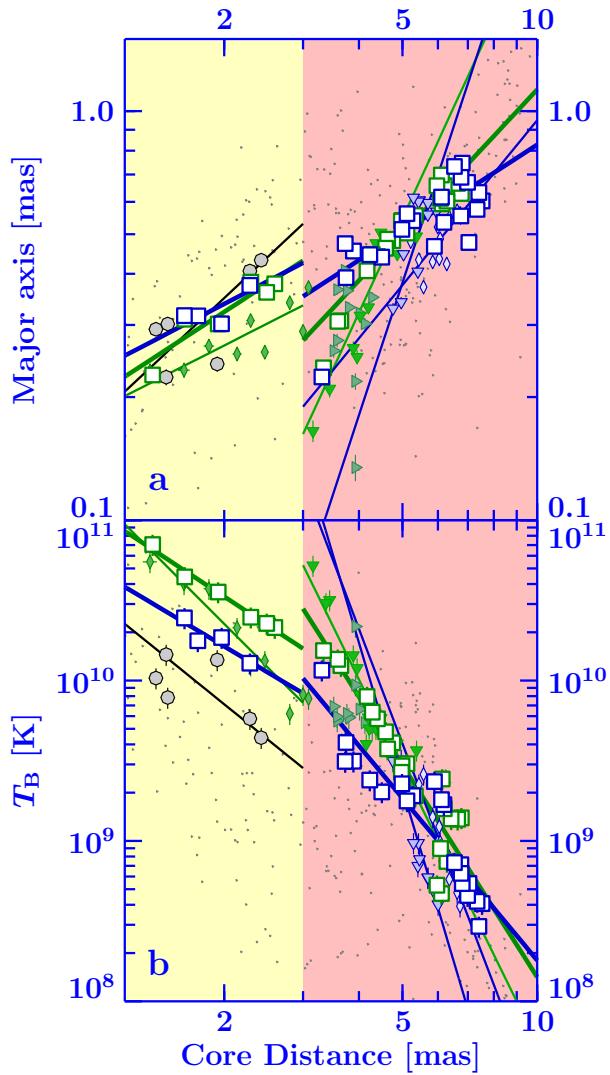
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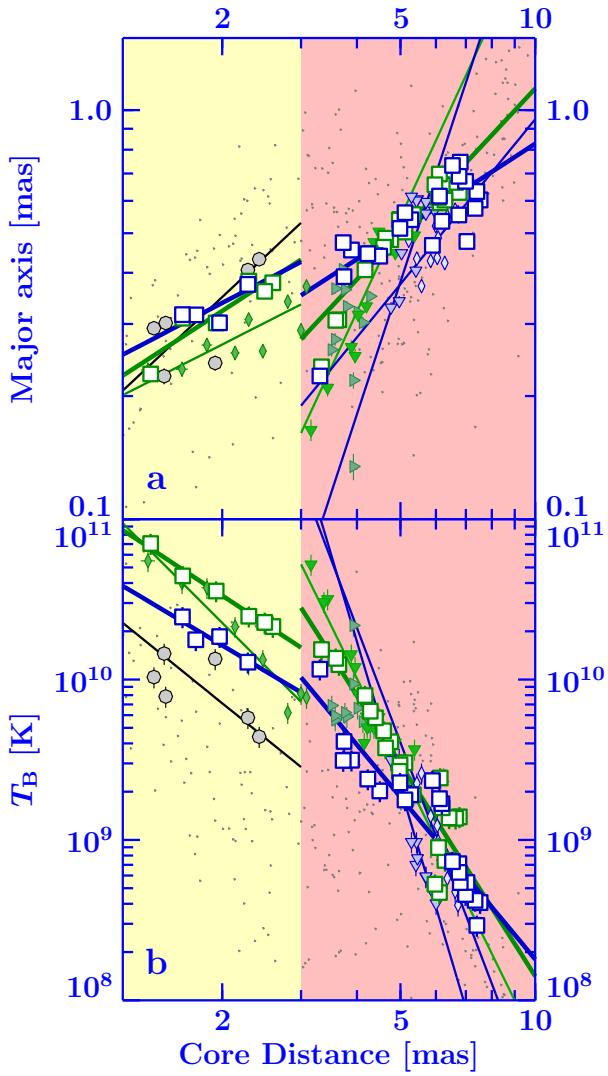
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$$T_B \propto r^s$$

$$s = l + n + b(1 - \alpha)$$

$$d \propto r^l$$

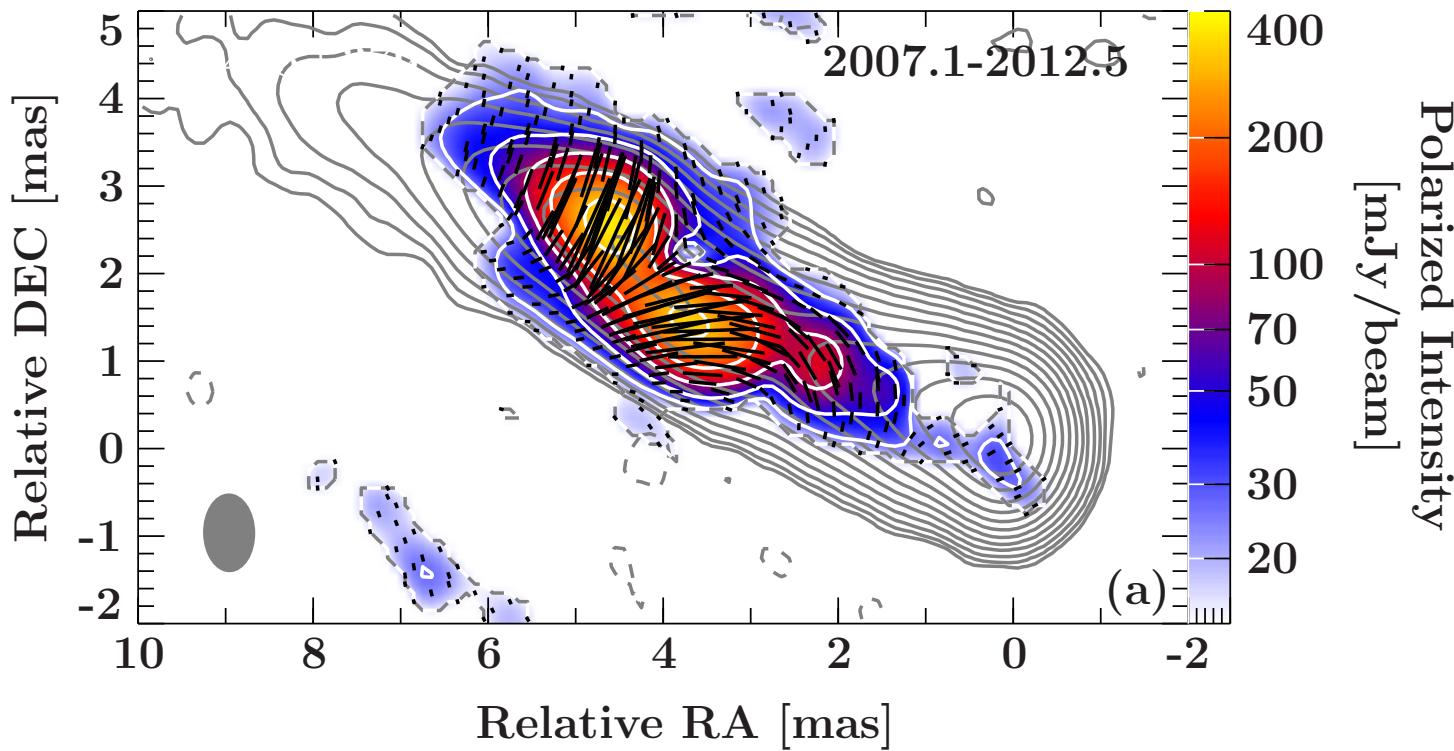
$$B \propto r^{-1} \text{ or } B \propto r^{-2}$$

$$\alpha \approx -1$$

$$N \propto r^n \quad \text{with } n_{>3 \text{ mas}} < 0$$

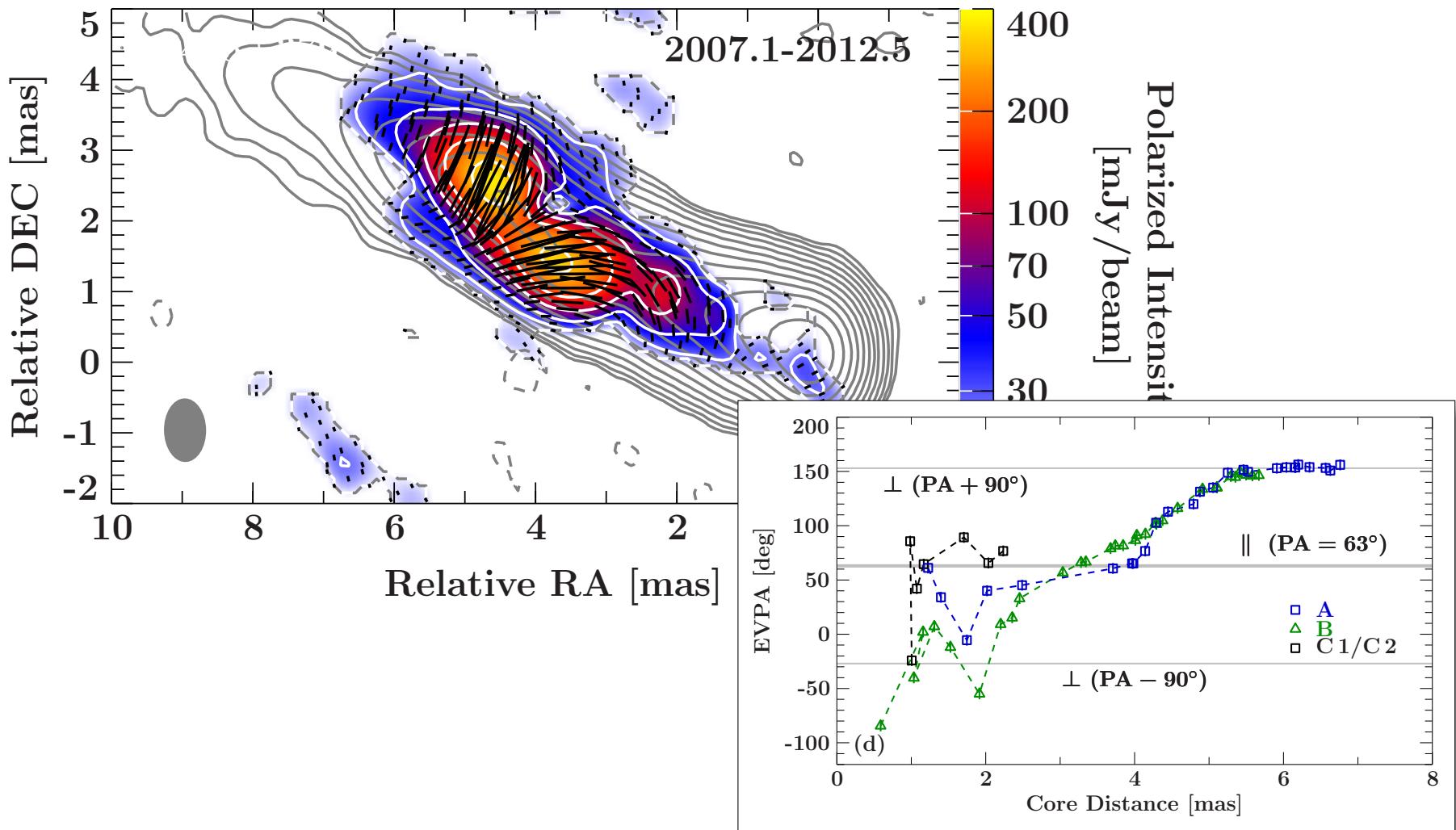
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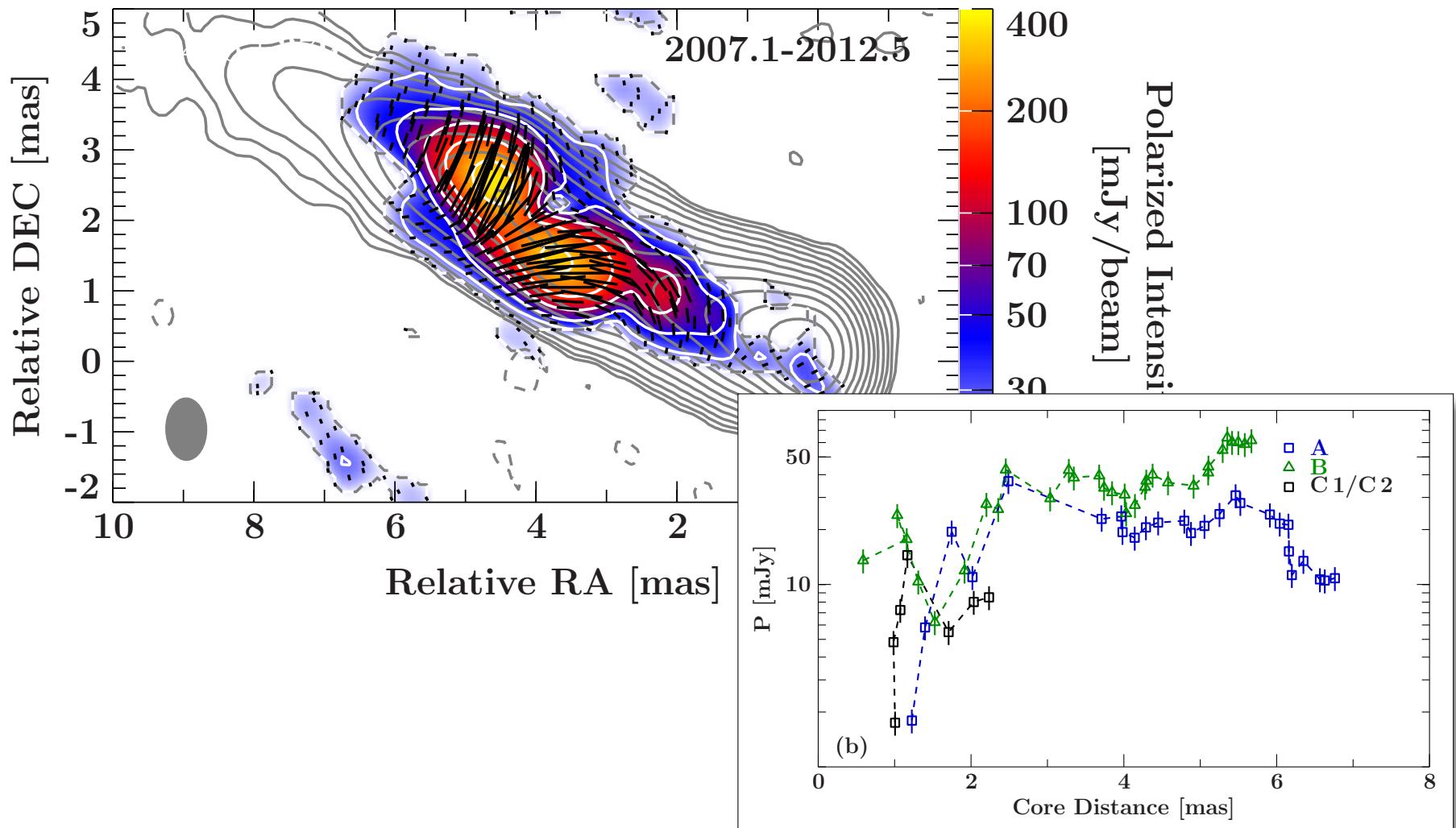
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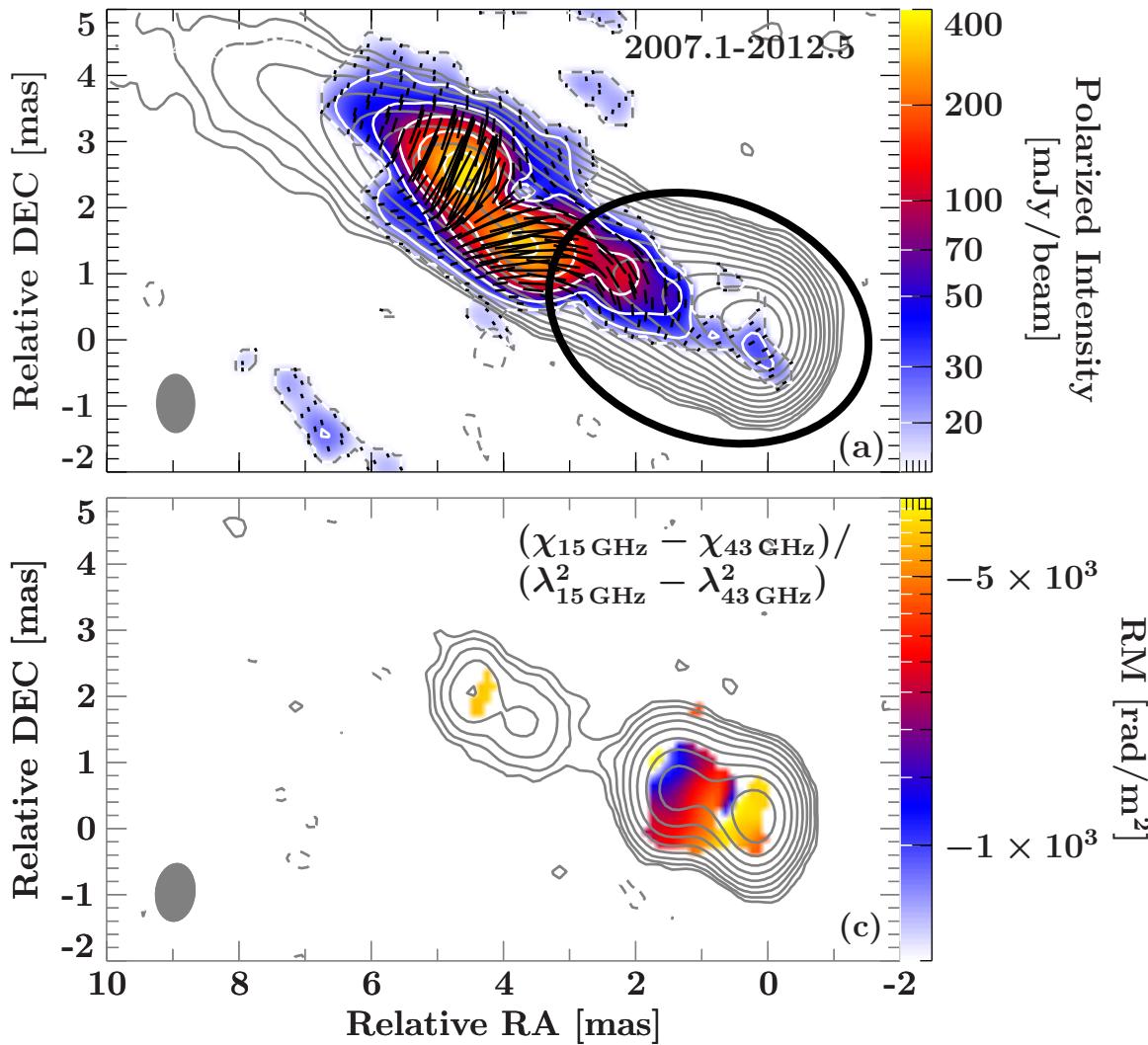


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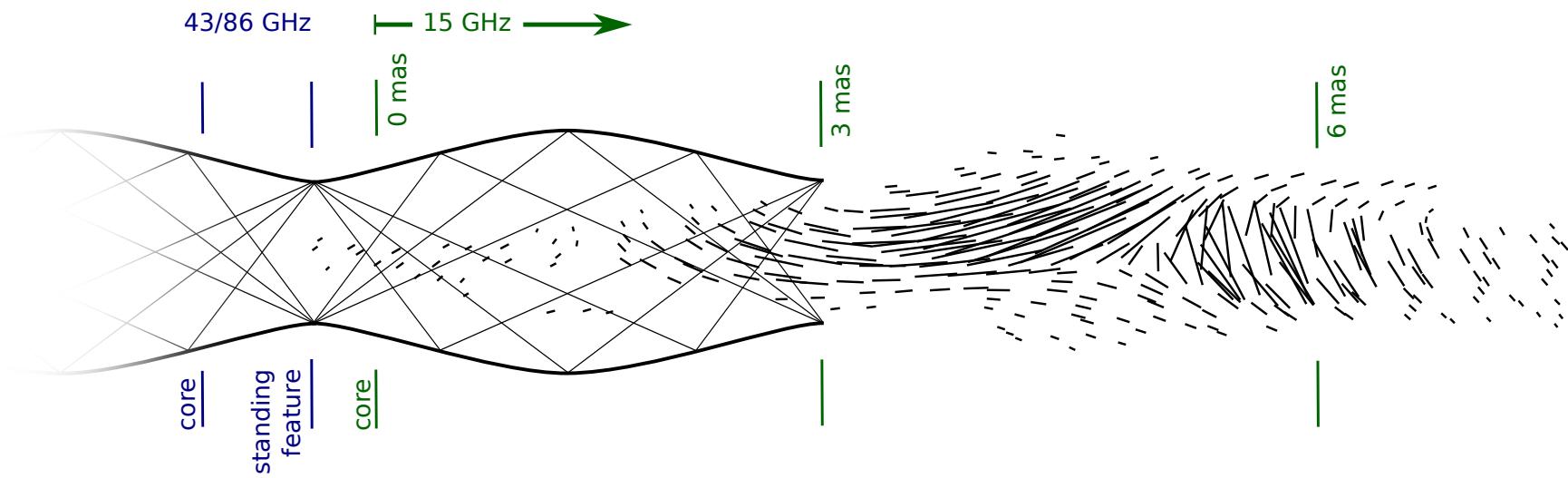
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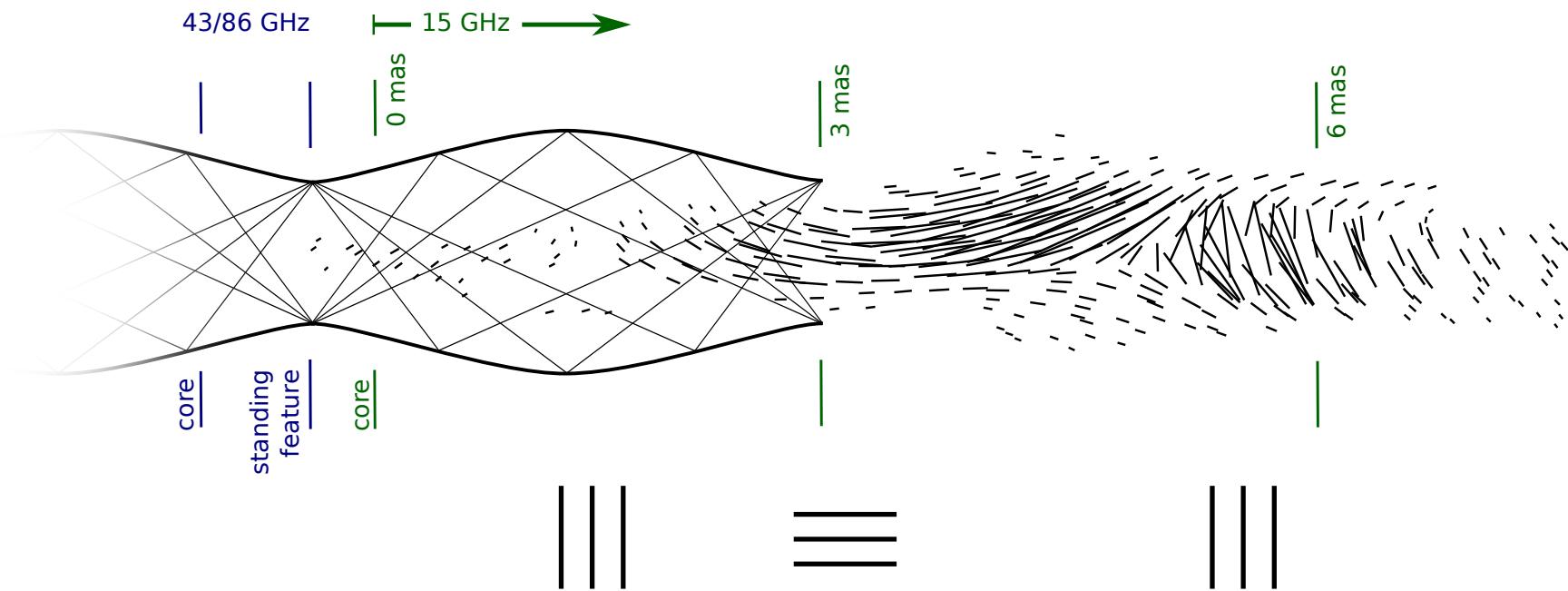


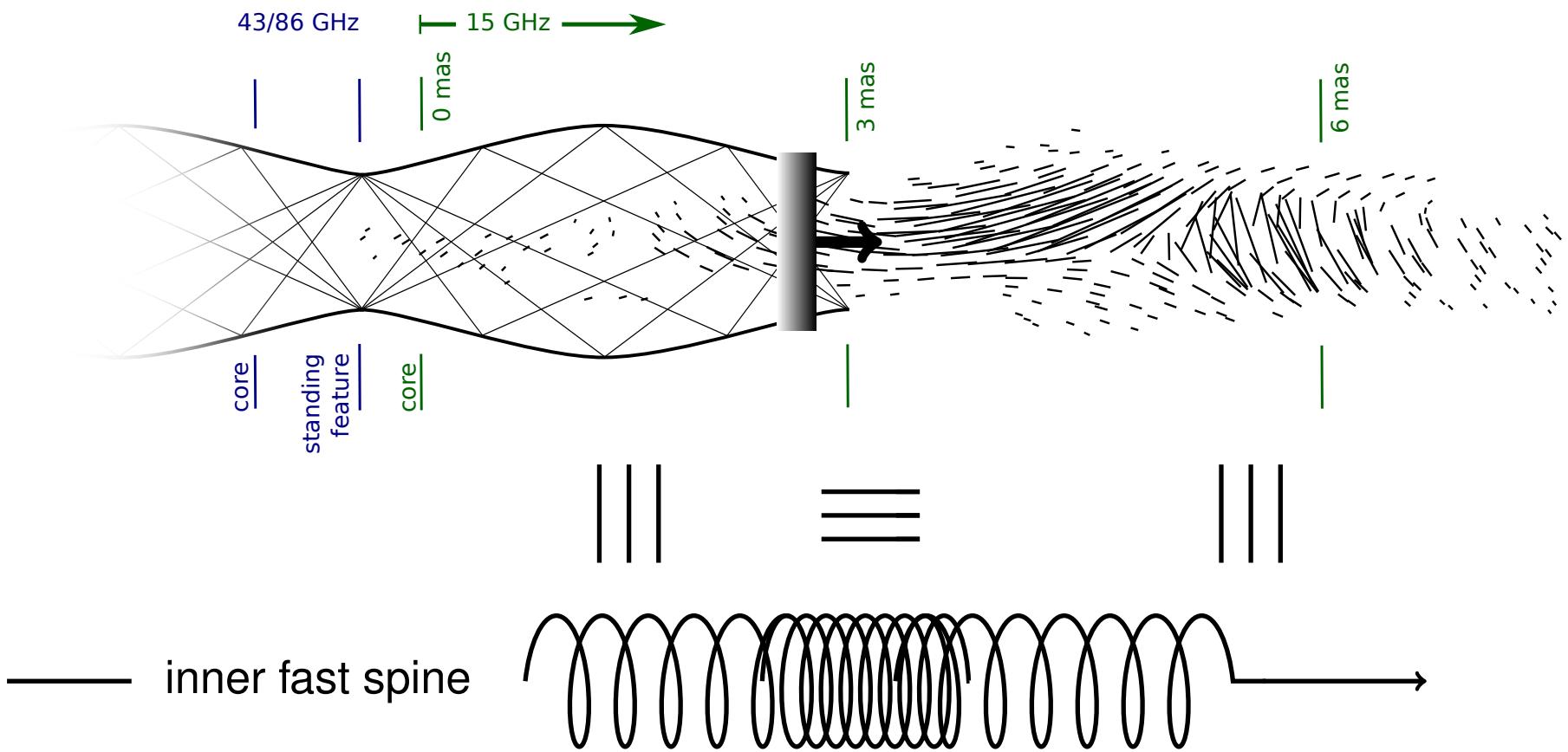
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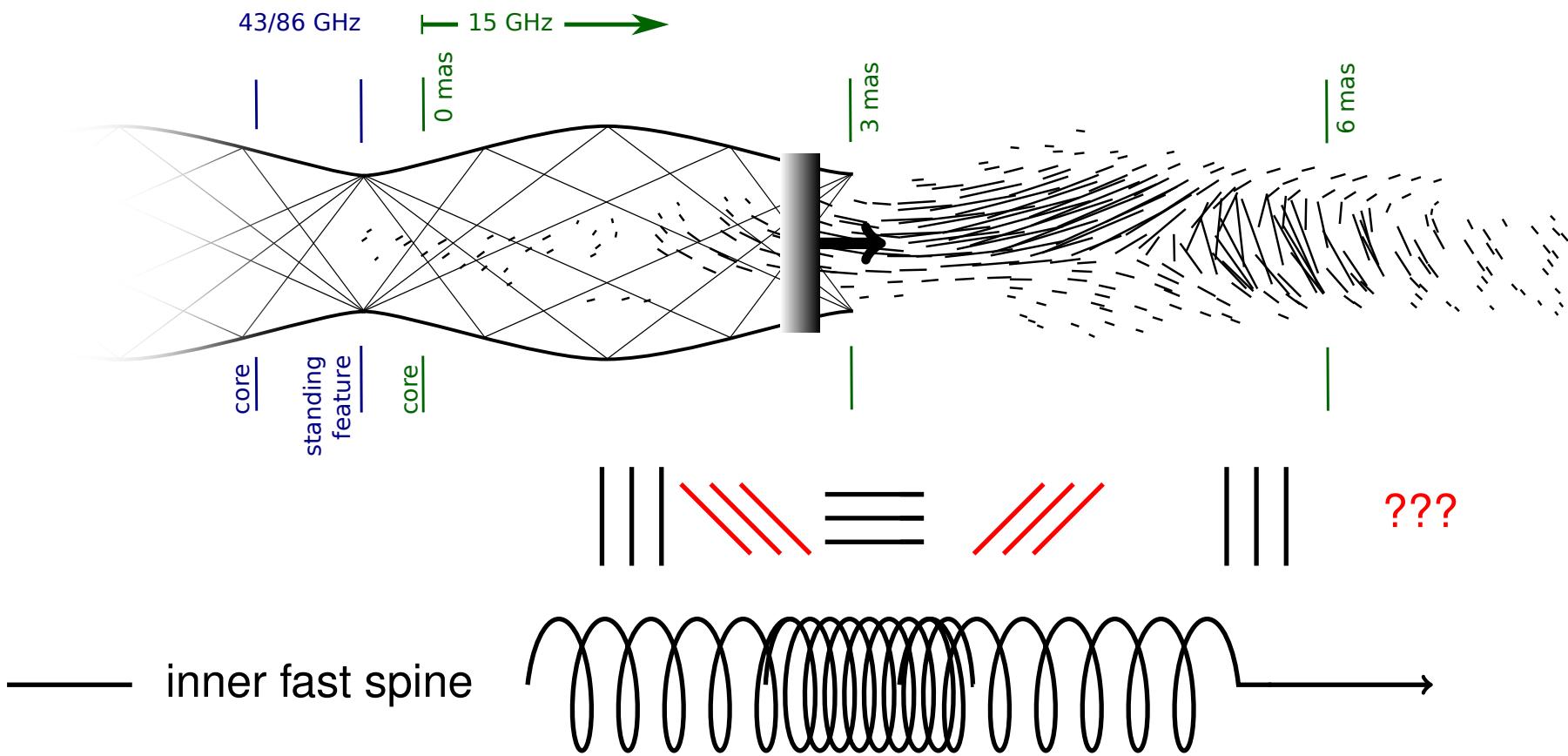
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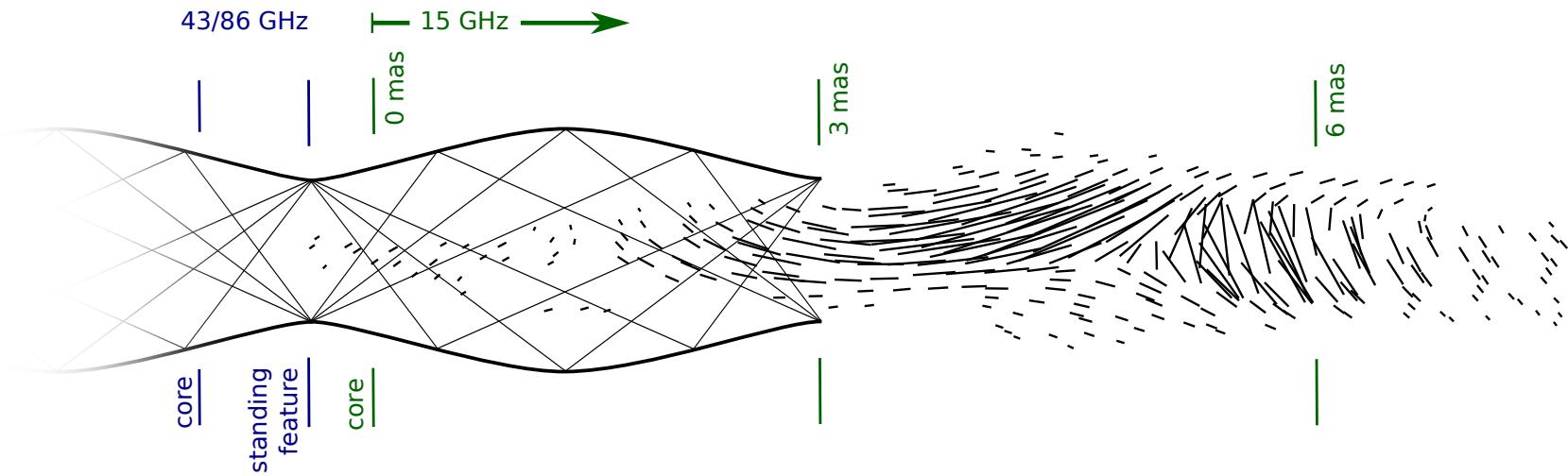




see also Lyutikov et al. (2005), Lyutikov & Kravchenko (2017)



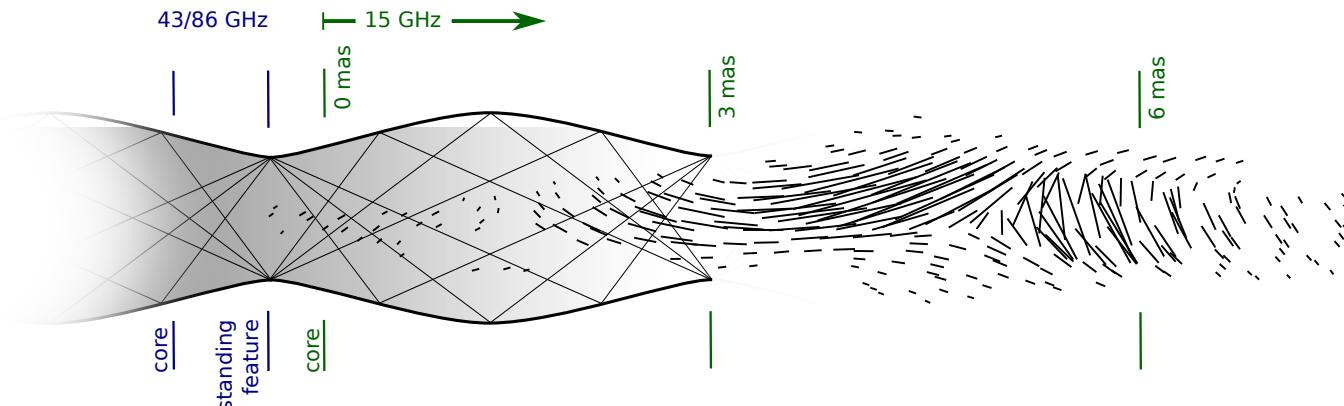
Wait for RMHD shock-shock simulations
 Kink? → talk by K. Nalewajko; Zhang et al. (2016)
 RM gradient?



e.g., Laing (1980,1981), Wardle (1998)

Take-home messages

- Unprecedented well resolved long-term monitoring of the total and linearly polarized emission in 3C 111 at 15 GHz
- Indications for a recollimation at ~ 3 pc
- Large and smooth ($\gtrsim 180^\circ$) EVPA rotation over 6 mas / 20 pc deprojected distance
- Observational reference for future (G)RMHD simulations of shock-shock interactions with full radiative output including polarization





Backup



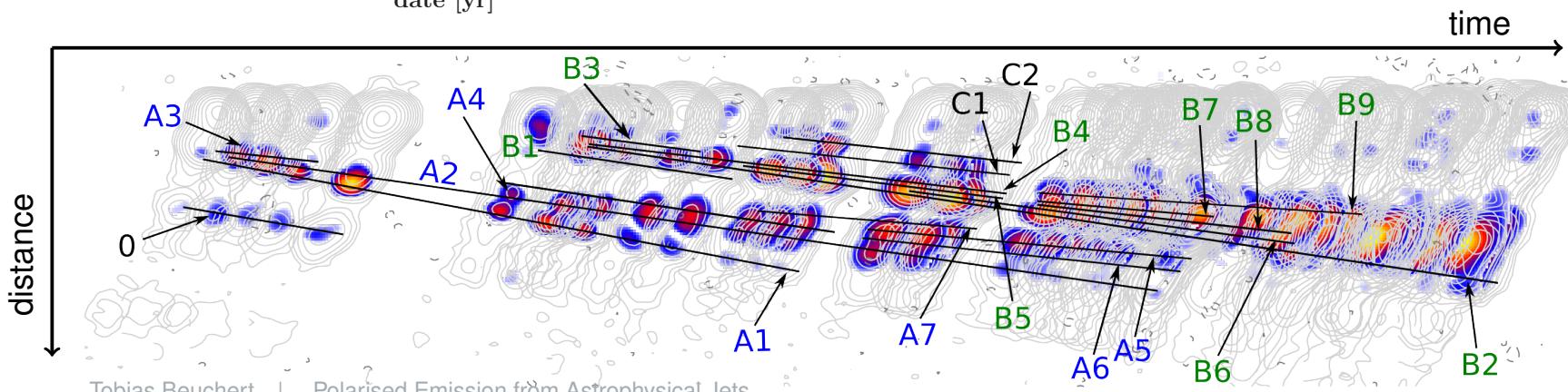
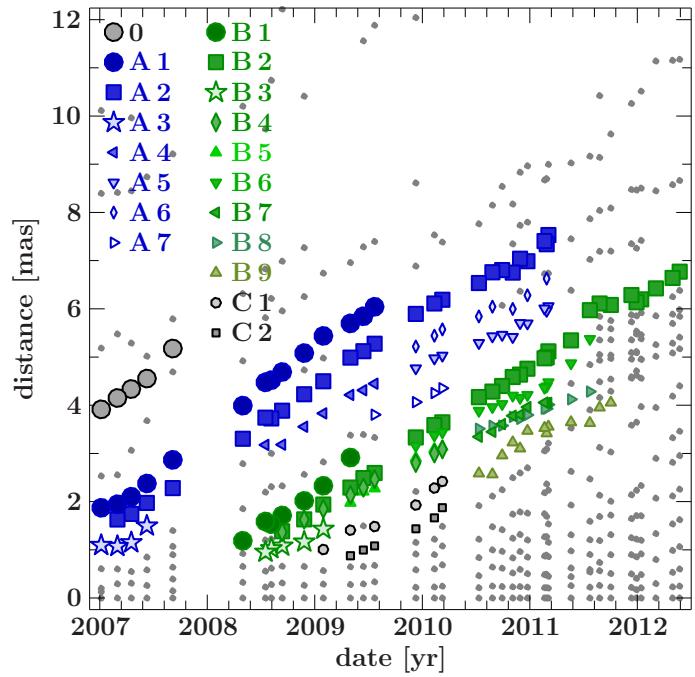
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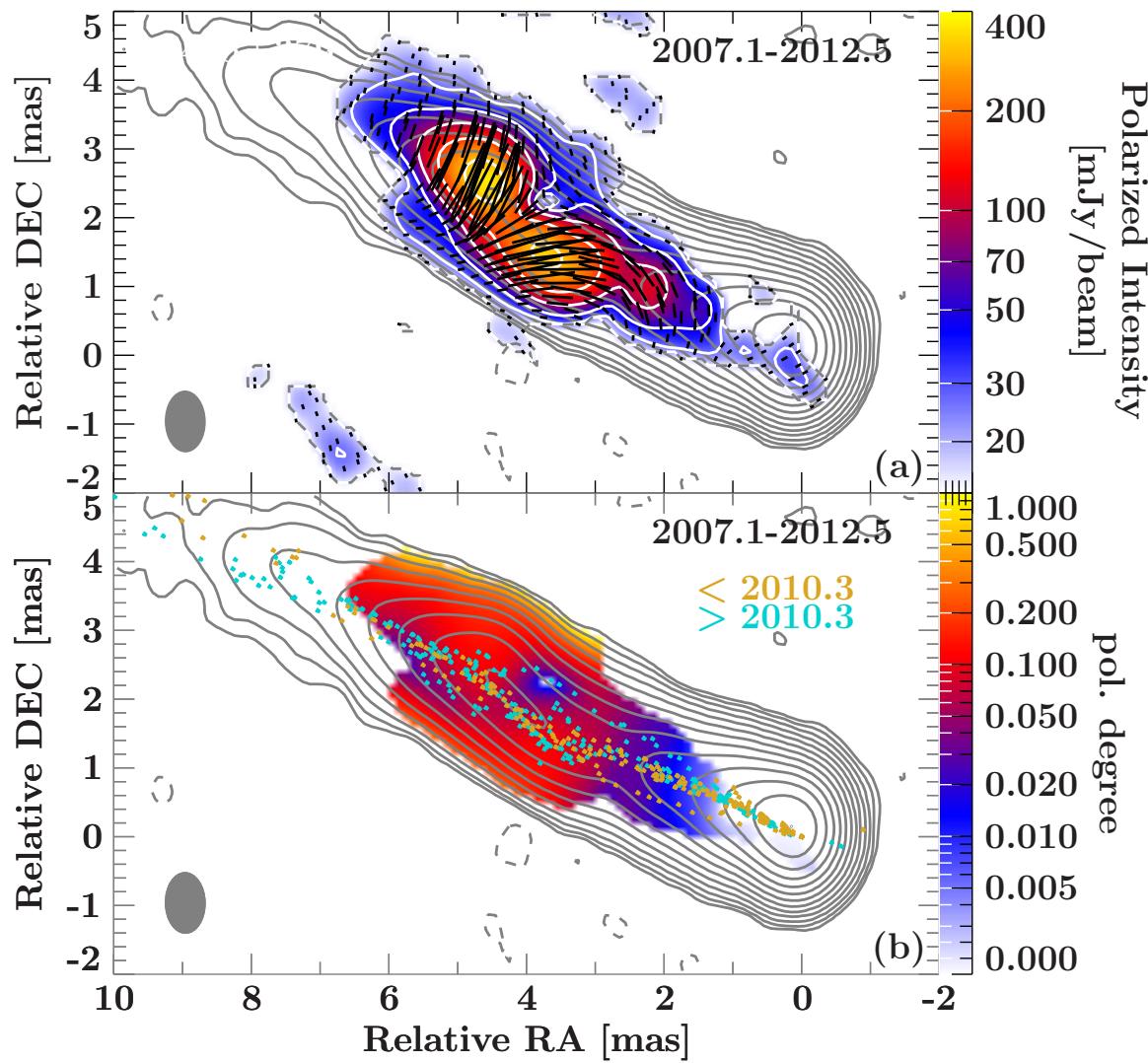
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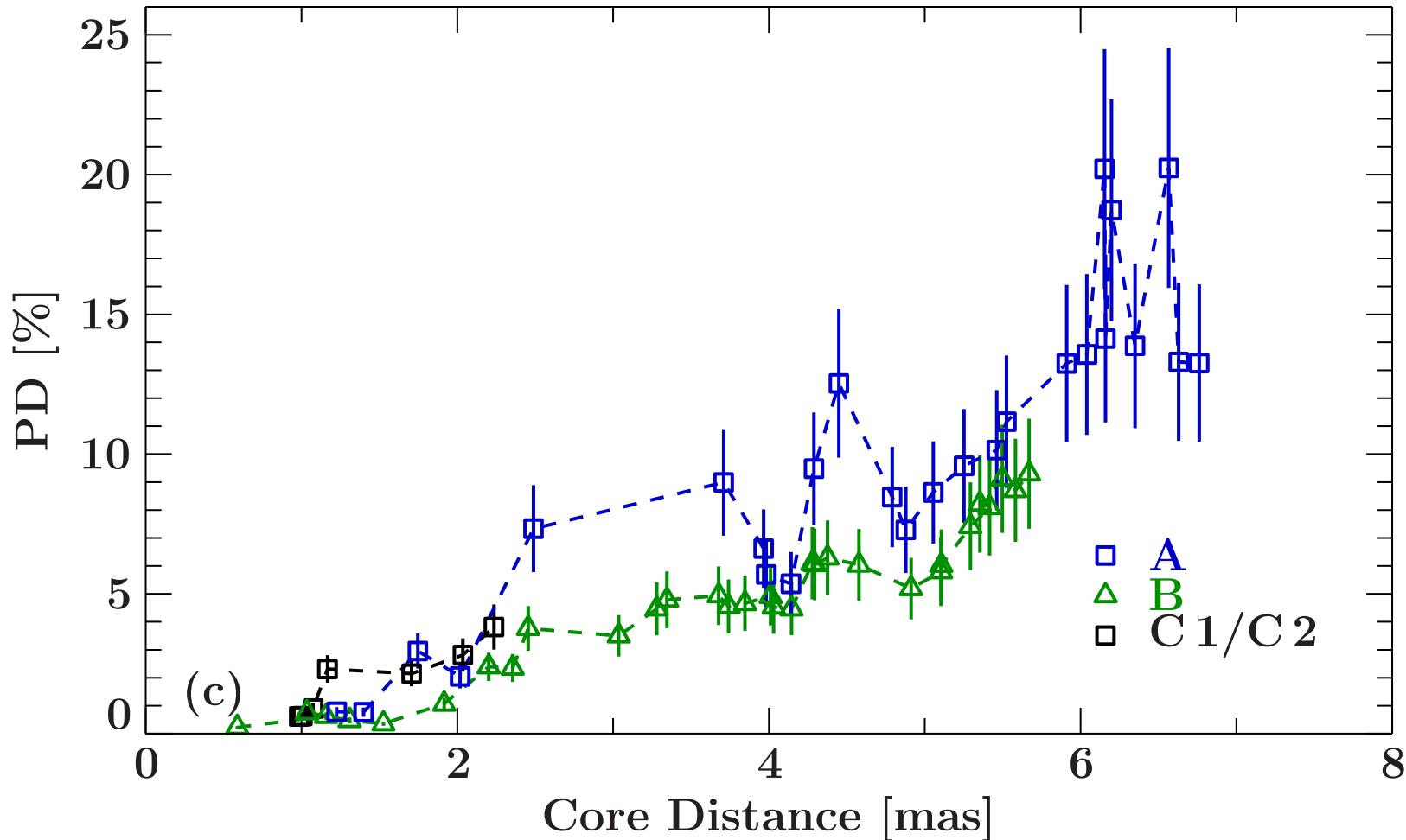
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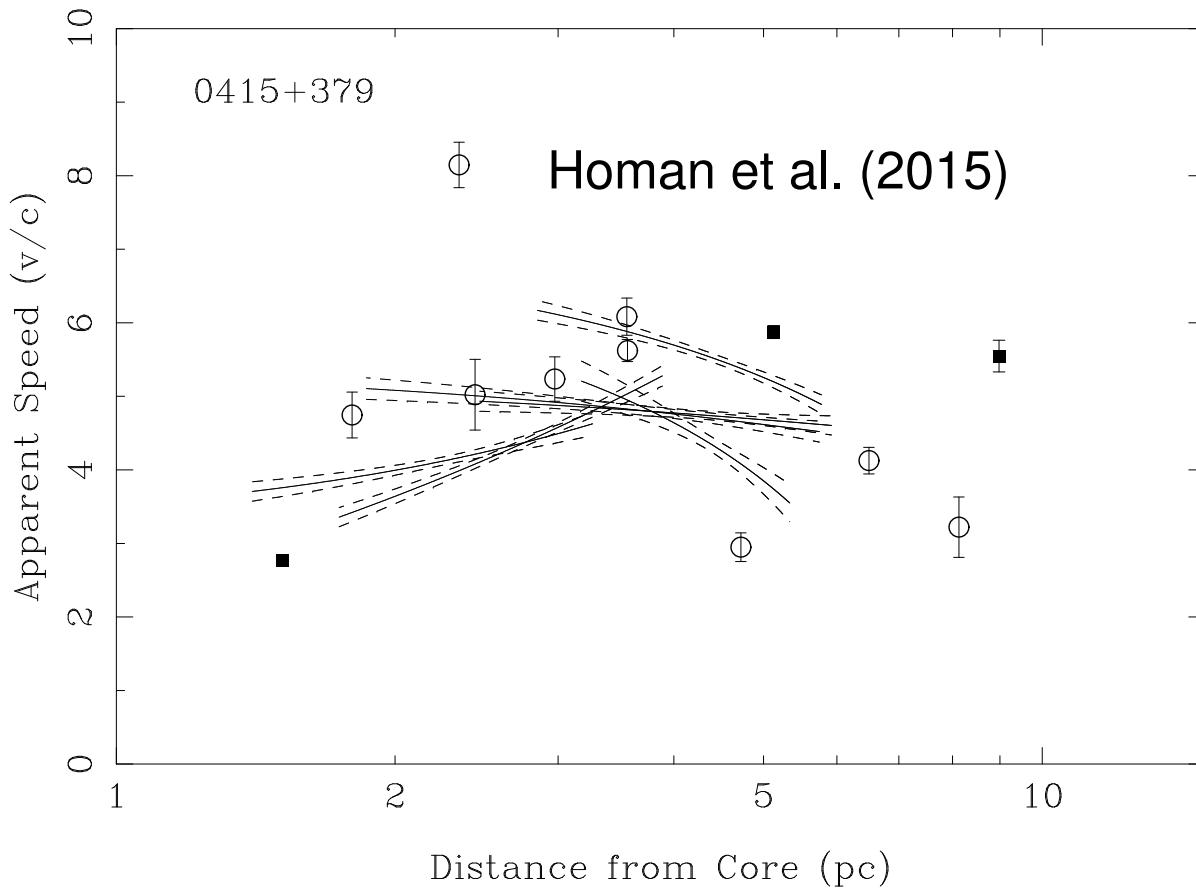
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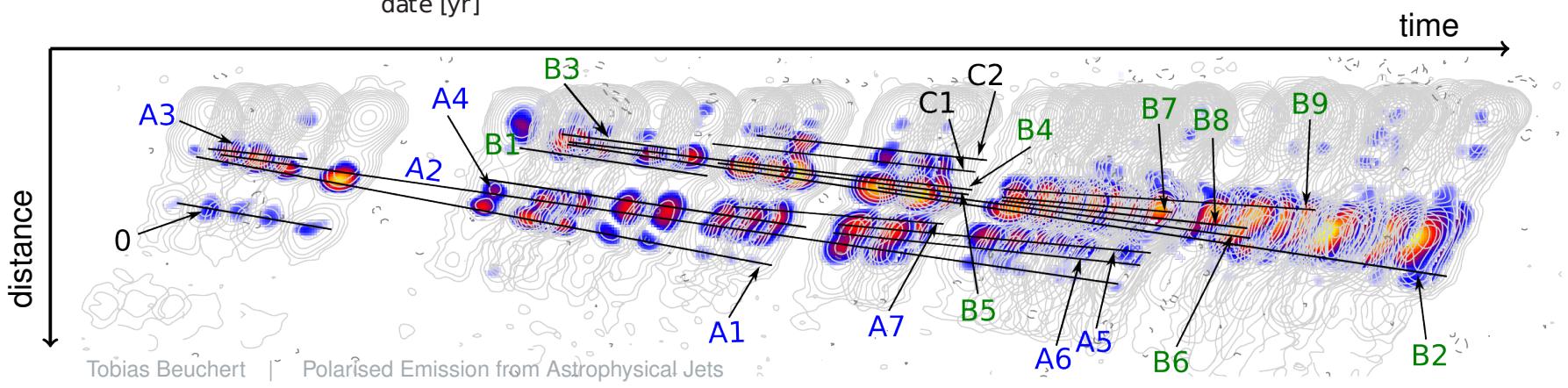
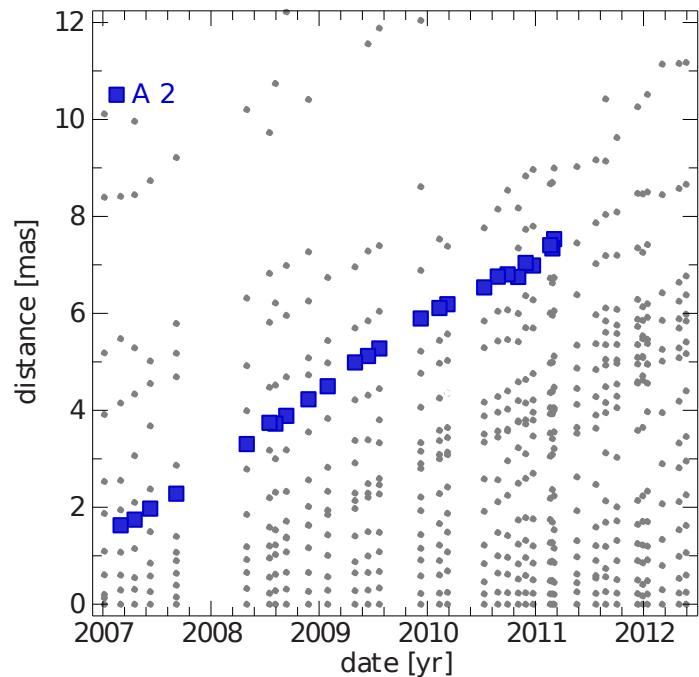
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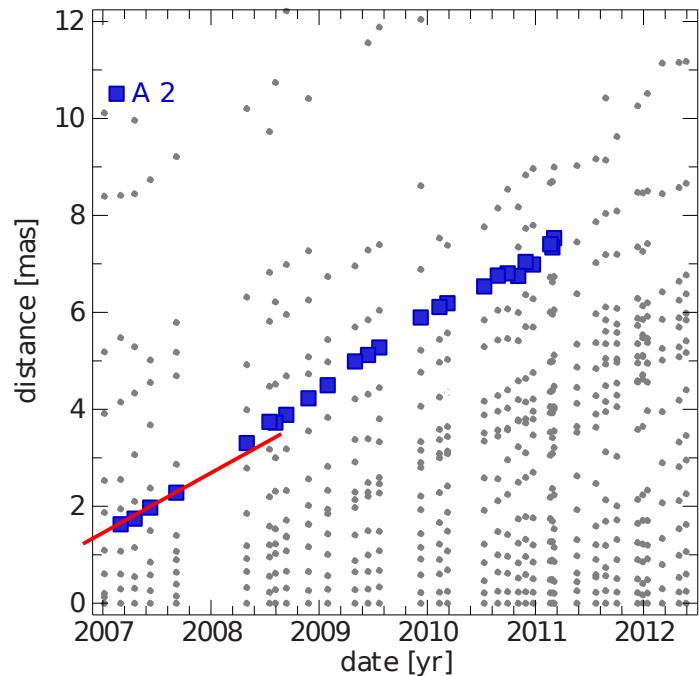
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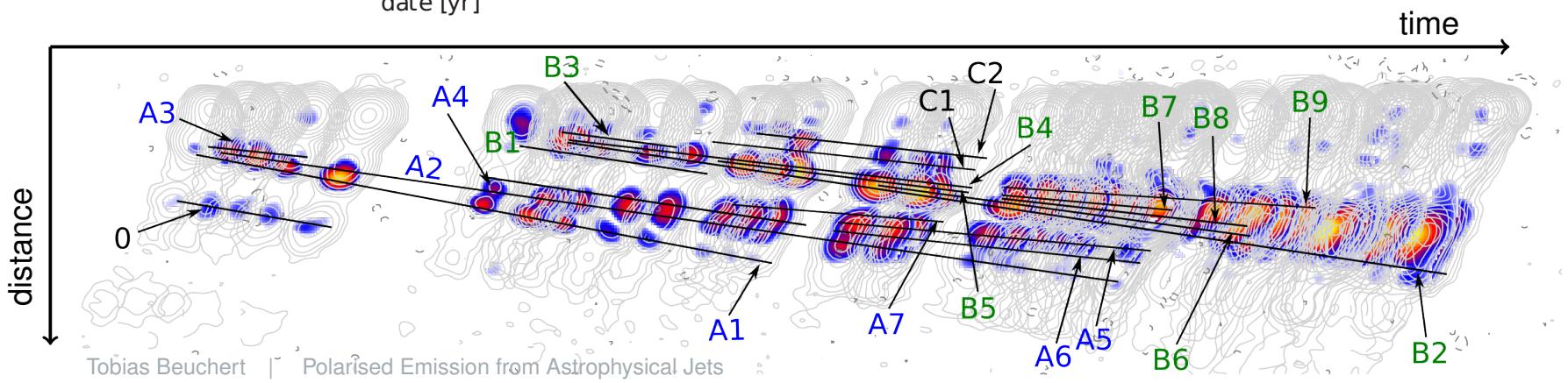
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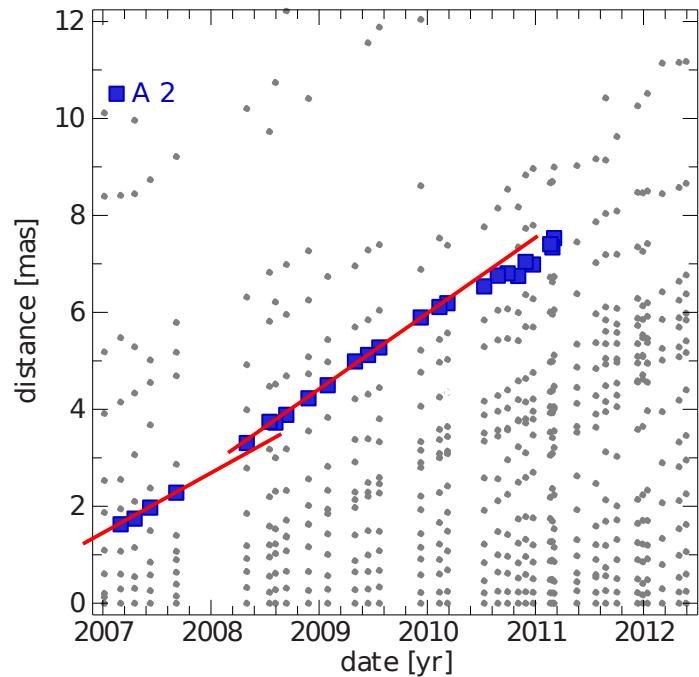
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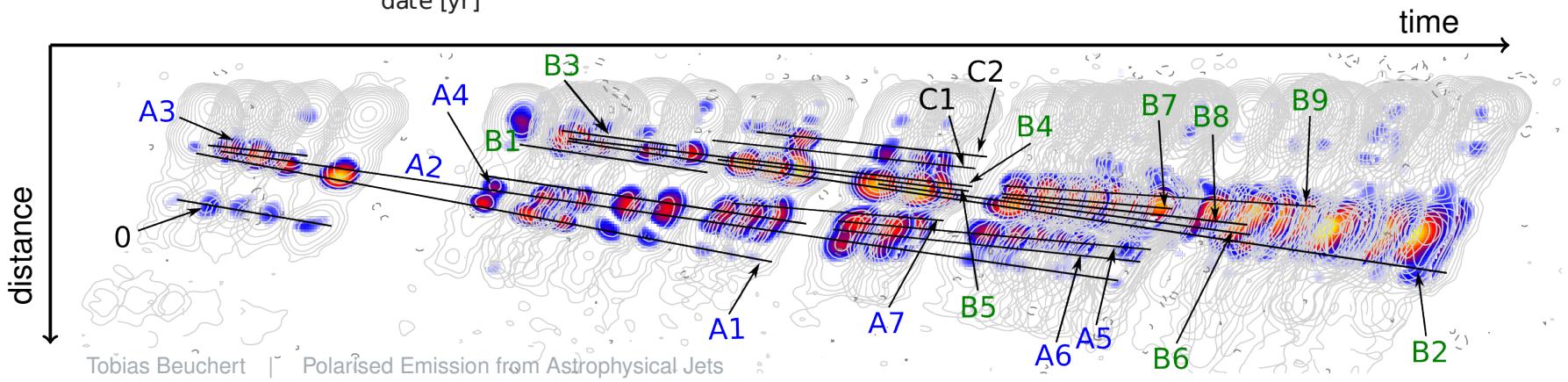
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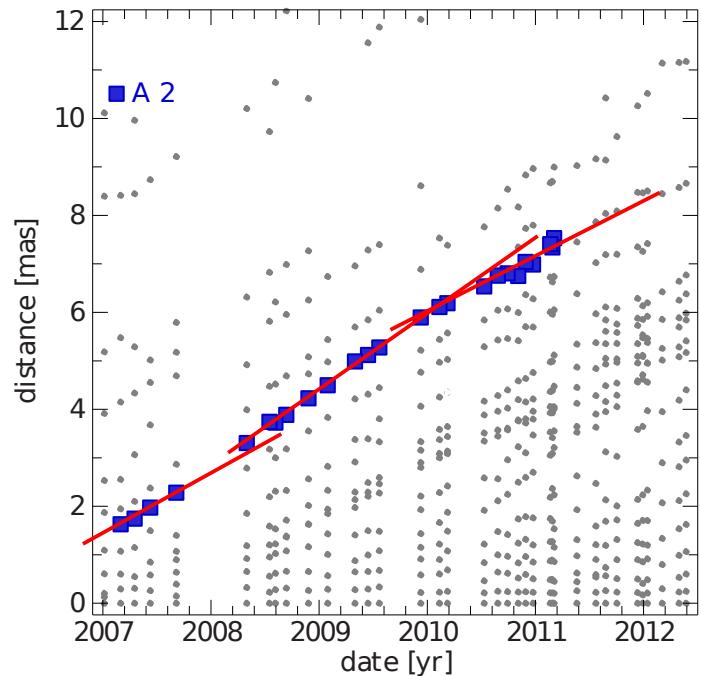
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