

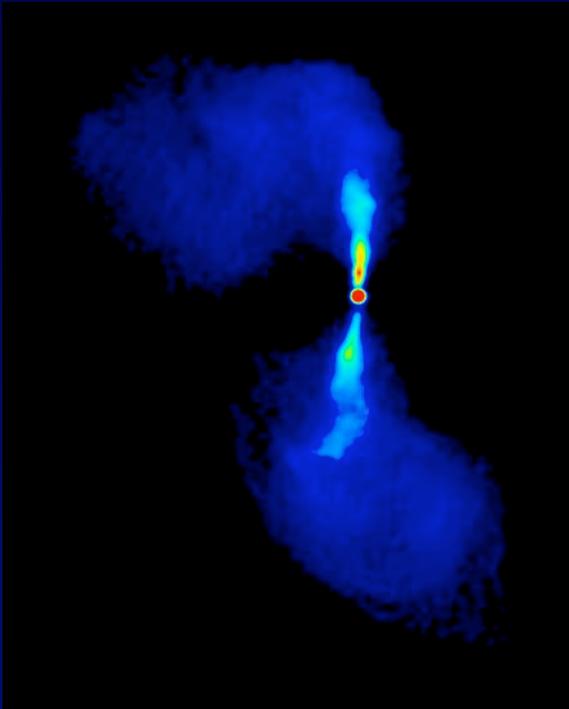
# CHANDRA and HST observations of 3C sources

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# MORPHOLOGICAL CLASSIFICATION OF RADIO GALAXIES

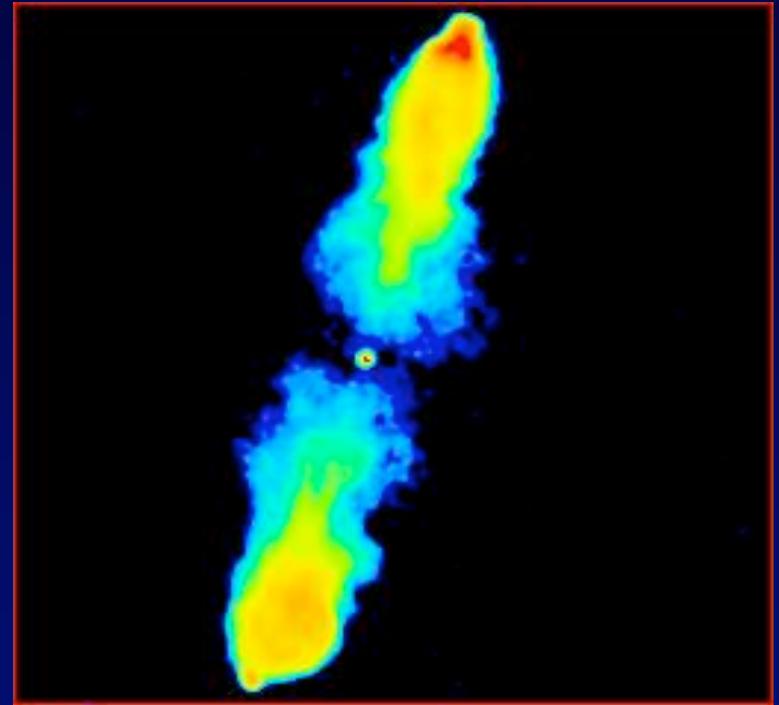
FR I



LOW POWER

$$L_{178} \sim < 2 \times 10^{26} \text{ W Hz}^{-1}$$

FR II

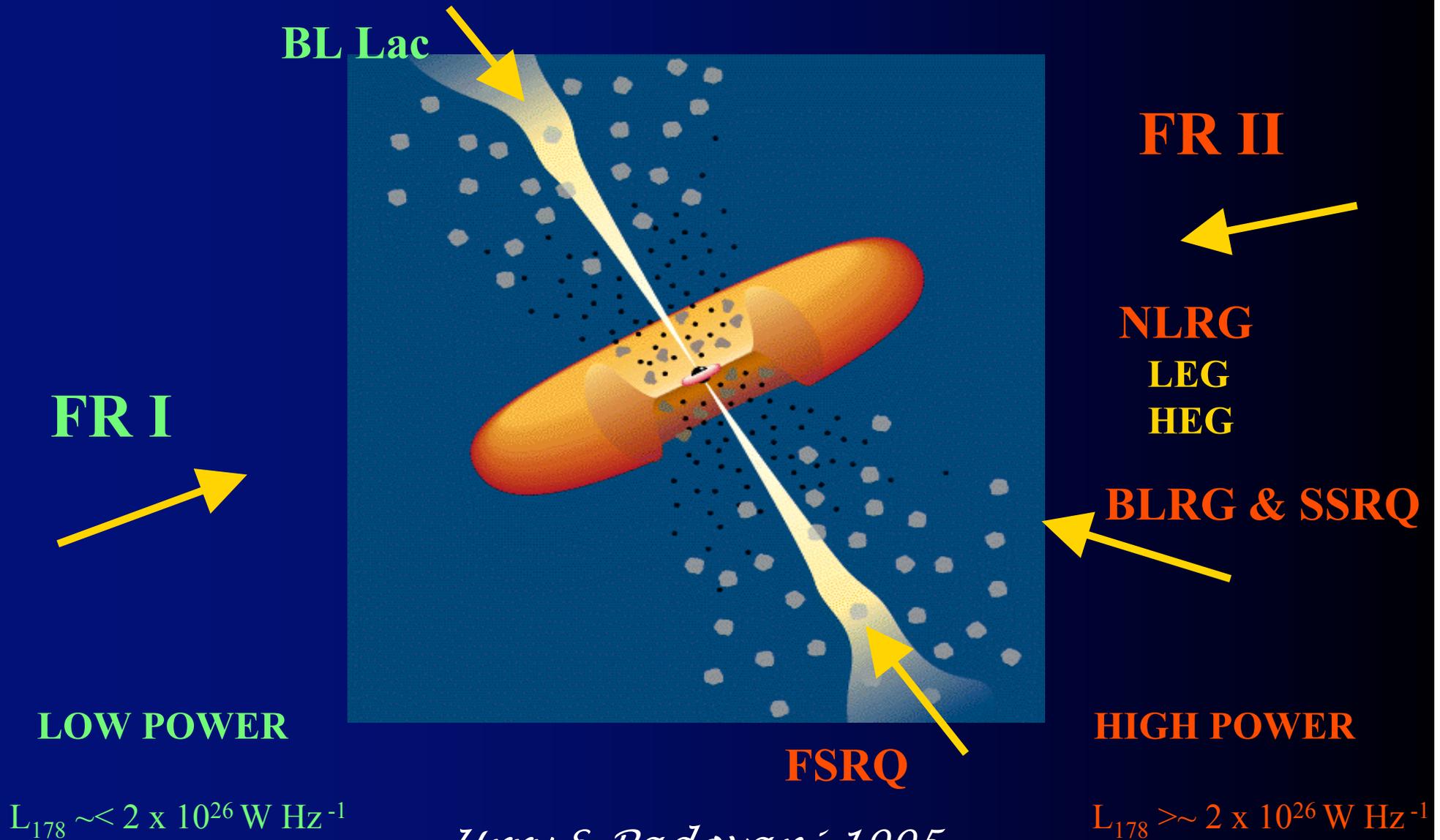


HIGH POWER

$$L_{178} > \sim 2 \times 10^{26} \text{ W Hz}^{-1}$$

*Fanaroff & Riley 1974*

# The radio-loud AGN unification model



*Urry & Padovani 1995*

## KEY QUESTIONS

- What are the properties of the central engines of radio galaxies?
- Are **FR I** and **FR II** intrinsically different?
- What is the relationship between their X-ray, optical and radio properties?
- What is the accretion rate around the central BH?
- What is the role of the different "flavours" of radio galaxies in the framework of **AGN** unification schemes?

# 3CR catalog as a basis for HST and Chandra studies

- Best studied sample of radio-loud galaxies in existence
- Its selection criteria are unbiased for optical or X-ray observations
- It spans a wide range in redshift and radio power
- There is a vast suite of ground and space based observations for comparison at all accessible wavelengths and we are adding to it!

# 3CR catalog as a basis for HST and Chandra studies

- During the last few years we have carried-out snapshot surveys of (almost!) the complete sample of 3CR sources using HST in red, blue and ultraviolet continuum, emission-line imaging and optical spectroscopy.
- We are currently completing an additional survey in the near infrared (H-band) with HST/NICMOS

# 3CR catalog as a basis for HST and Chandra studies

- We have also obtained
  - deep ground based infrared K-band imaging
  - VLA radio imaging and optical spectroscopy of the small fraction of the sample for which high quality data are not yet available and
  - VLBA data for all the objects with  $z < 0.1$

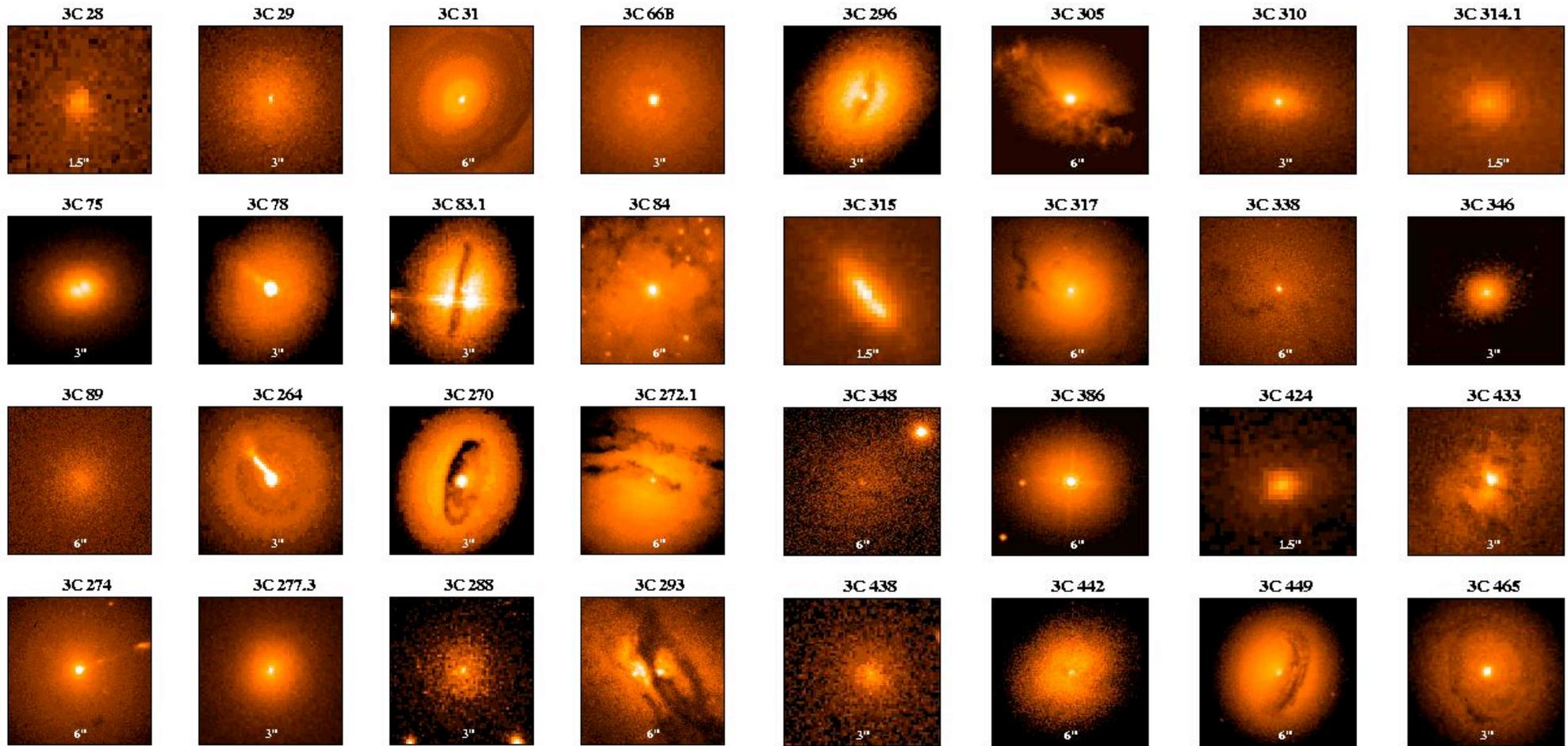
# NEED FOR HST DATA

- To study the nuclei of radio galaxies in the optical at the highest possible resolution
- To disentangle the nuclear source from the host galaxy stellar component
- To correlate the optical and radio properties
- **To test the radio loud AGN unification scheme**

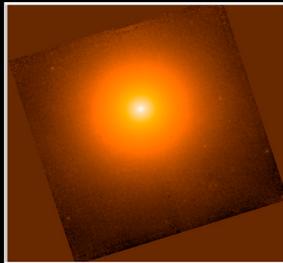
# FRI OF THE 3CR CATALOG

The HST/WFPC2 snapshot survey of 3CR radio sources (Sparks et al)

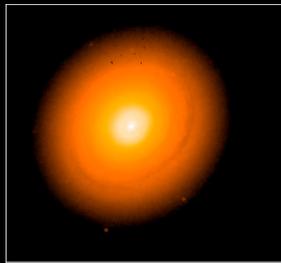
Complete sample: all of the FRI of the 3CR catalogue  
33 objects, 32 with HST R-band observations



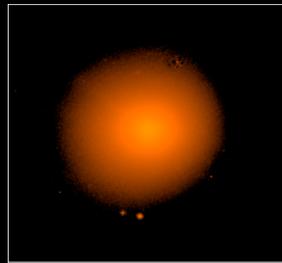
# HST/NICMOS Snapshots of 3CR Radio Galaxies FR-I



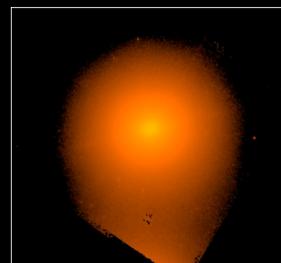
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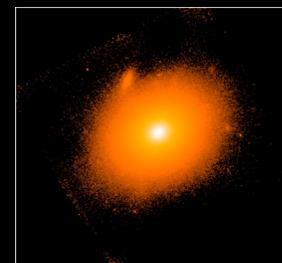
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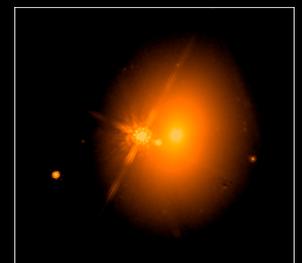
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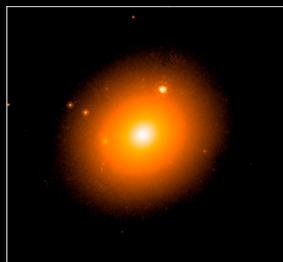
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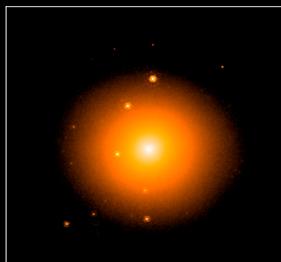
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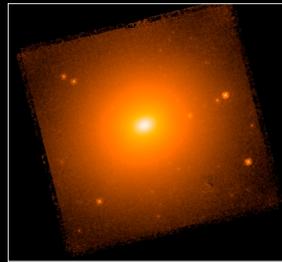
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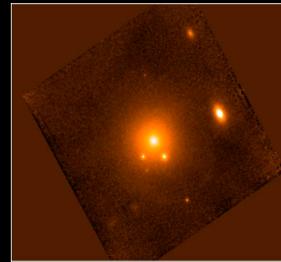
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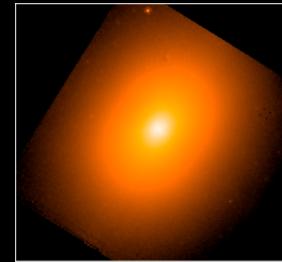
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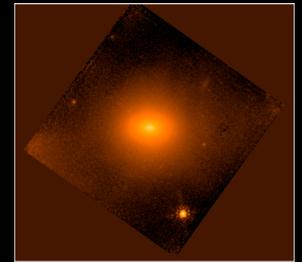
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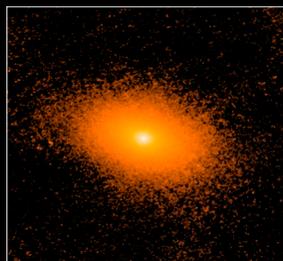
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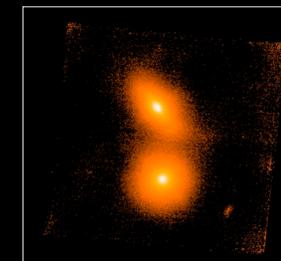
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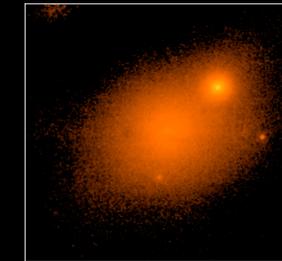
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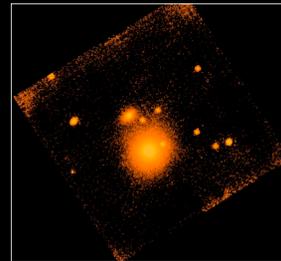
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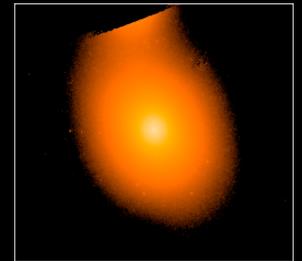
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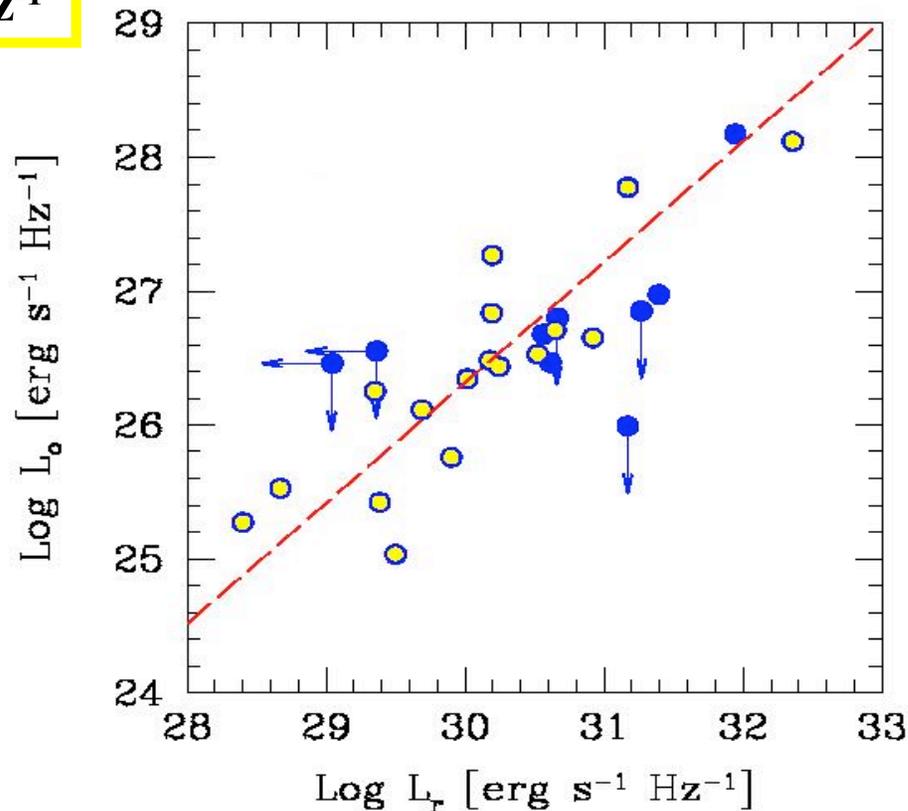


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# THE OPTICAL - RADIO CORE CORRELATION

$$L_{178} < 2 \times 10^{26} \text{ W Hz}^{-1}$$

$$z < 0.1$$



$$L_{178} > 2 \times 10^{26} \text{ W Hz}^{-1}$$

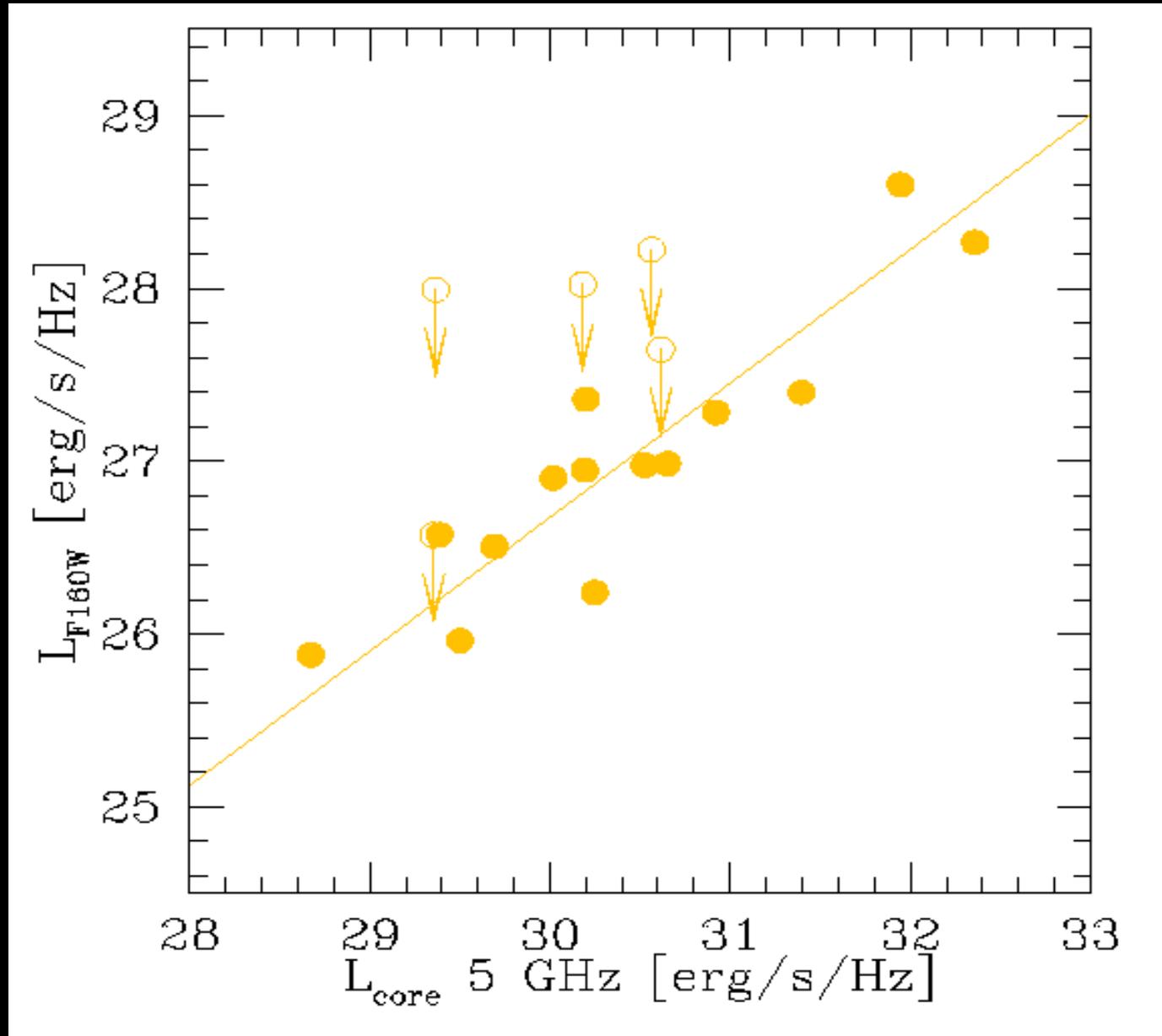
$$0.1 < z < 0.3$$

**THE CORRELATION IS LINEAR**

Chiaberge, Capetti & Celotti 1999

$$\alpha_{r-o} = 0.6 - 0.9$$

# NIR - RADIO CORE CORRELATION



Baldi et al. in prep.

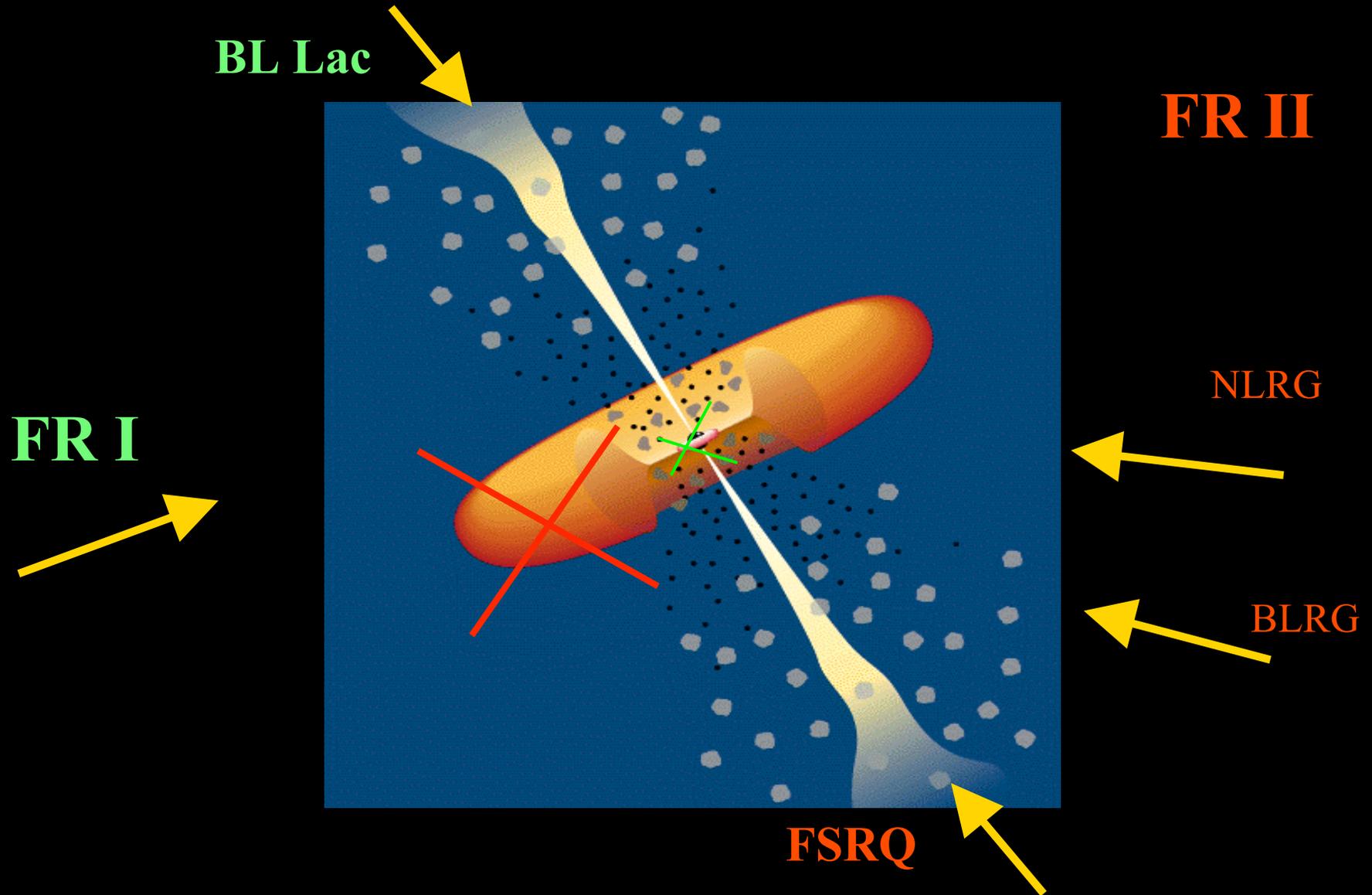
No IR (thermal) excess

# FR I results

- High core emission detection rate: 85%
- NO thick TORI in FRI  $h/r < 0.15$
- NO obscuration
- NO BLR
- Optical emission is synchrotron emission from the inner jet
- The optical cores are the optical counterparts of radio cores
- CCC are upper limits to any thermal component
  - $L_{\text{CCC}} < 10^{-4} - 10^{-7} L_{\text{Edd}}$  ( $M_{\text{BH}} = 10^8 M_{\text{sun}}$ )
- ***Optical/radio correlation implies that most FRI's nuclei are jet dominated !***

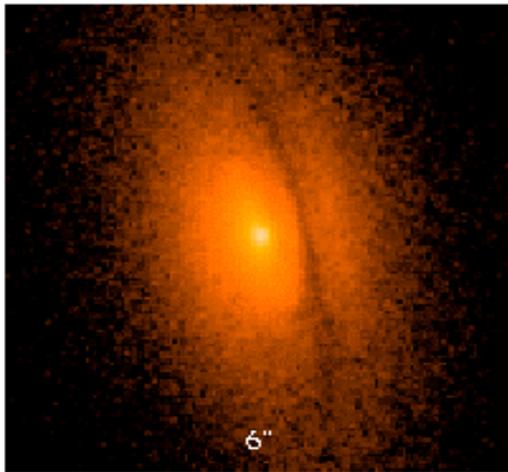
# The radio-loud AGN unification model

What do we expect to observe in FR II ?

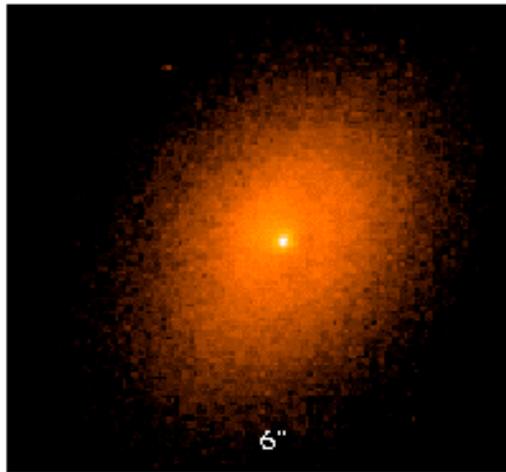


# HST OBSERVATIONS OF FR II NUCLEI

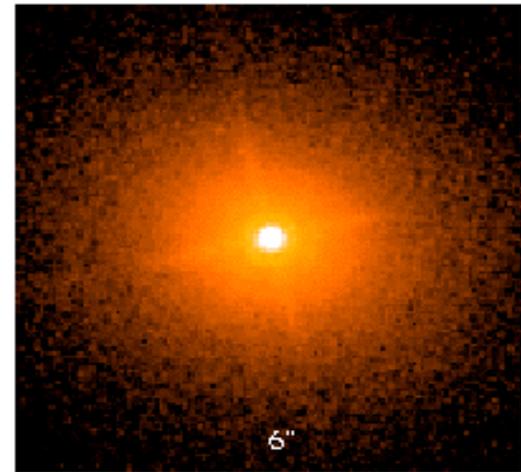
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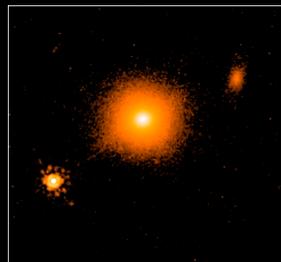
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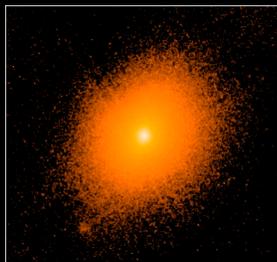
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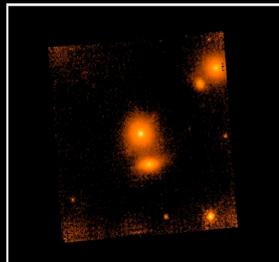
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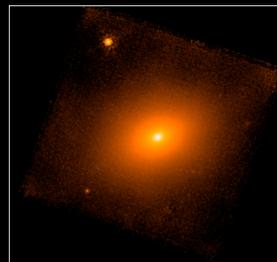
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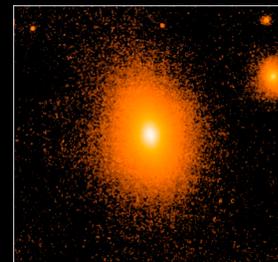
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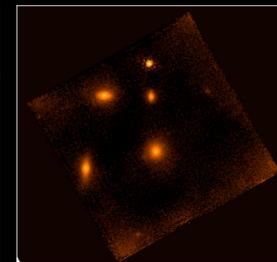
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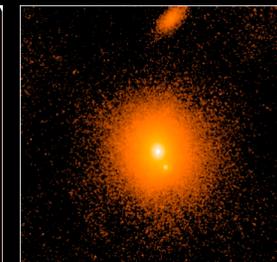
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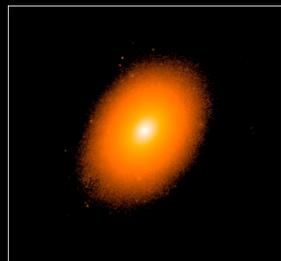
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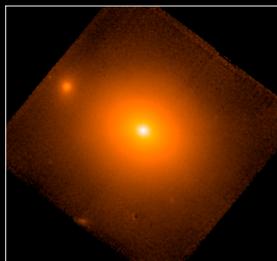
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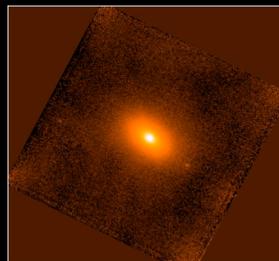
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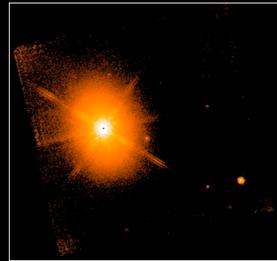
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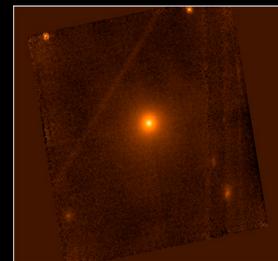
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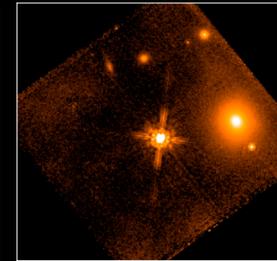
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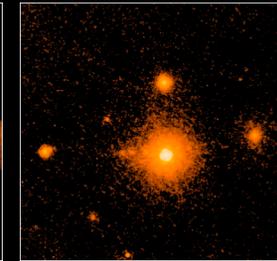
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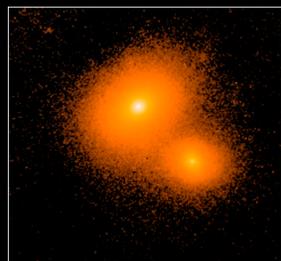
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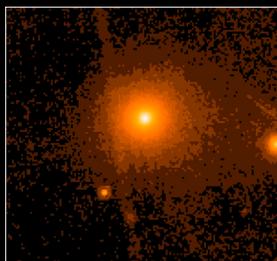
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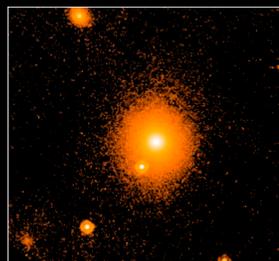
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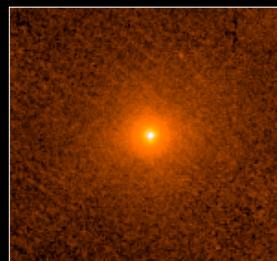
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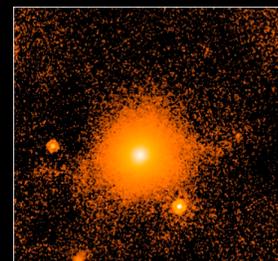
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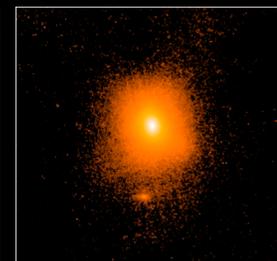
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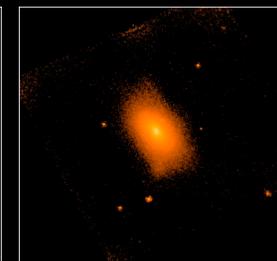
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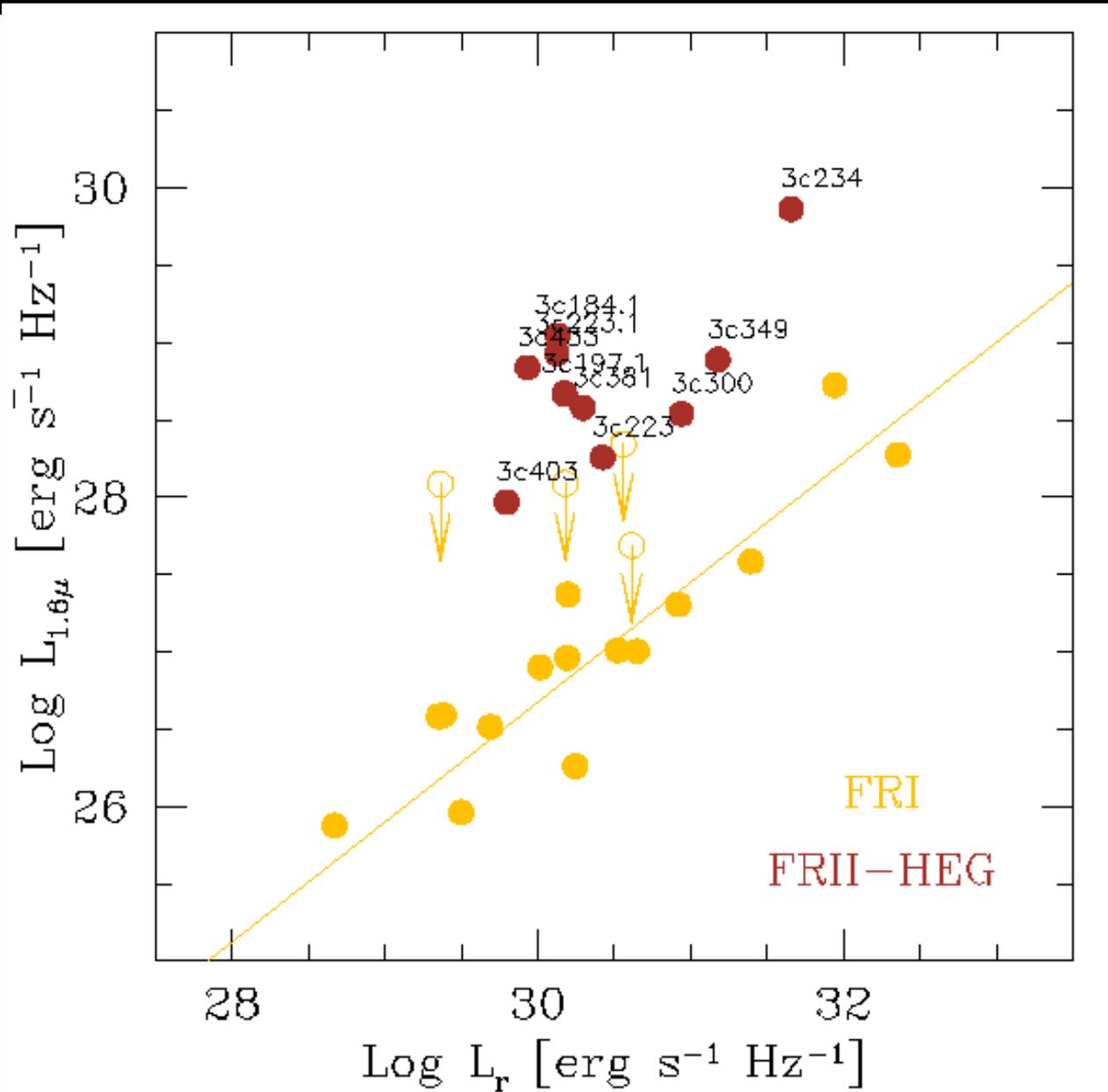
**3C173.1**



**3C180**

# THE NIR - RADIO CORE CORRELATION

FRI SHOW IR  
EXCESS  
-THERMAL  
CONTRIBUTION???



Baldi et al. in prep.

# NEED FOR CHANDRA DATA

- The completeness of X-ray data lags behind
- Only  $< 25\%$  of the complete sample had been observed by modern X-ray satellites such as Chandra or XMM
- We are observing the complete sample of the 3CR sources, out to a limiting redshift of  $z < 0.3$
- The redshift limit is imposed to take advantage of the highest spatial resolution Chandra

# KEY QUESTIONS

- What is the relation between fueling, accretion disk structure and the launching of jets?
- With radio and optical data, we found two very different manifestations of nuclear emission
- Radiatively efficient accretion disk co-exist with sources in which non-thermal radiation processes constitute the bulk of the radiative losses (Chiaberge et al. 1999, A&A 349, 77; Chiaberge et al. 2002, ApJ 571, 247).
- Are there two fundamentally different launching mechanisms at work? NEED X-ray data!

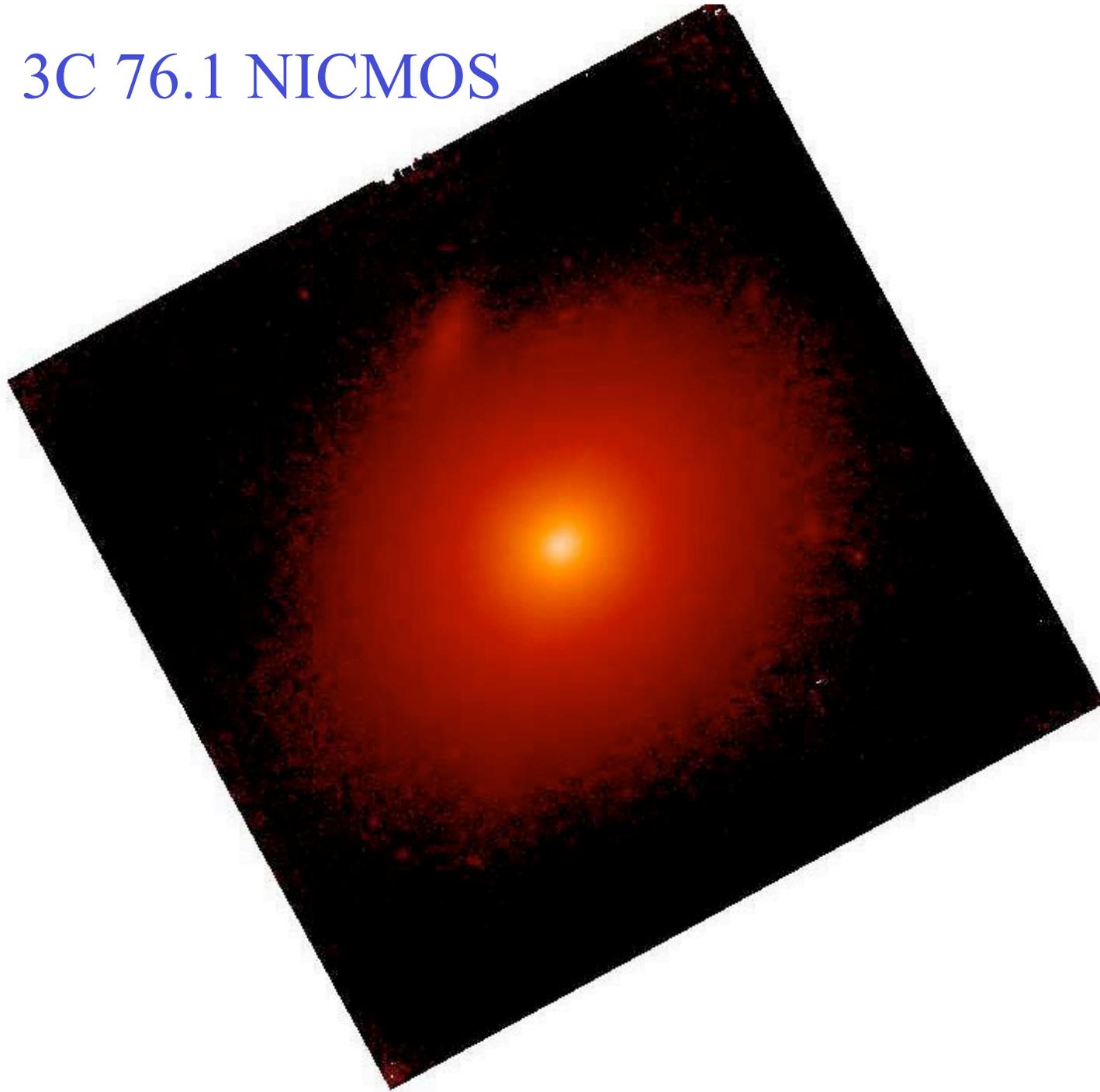
# PRELIMINARY RESULTS

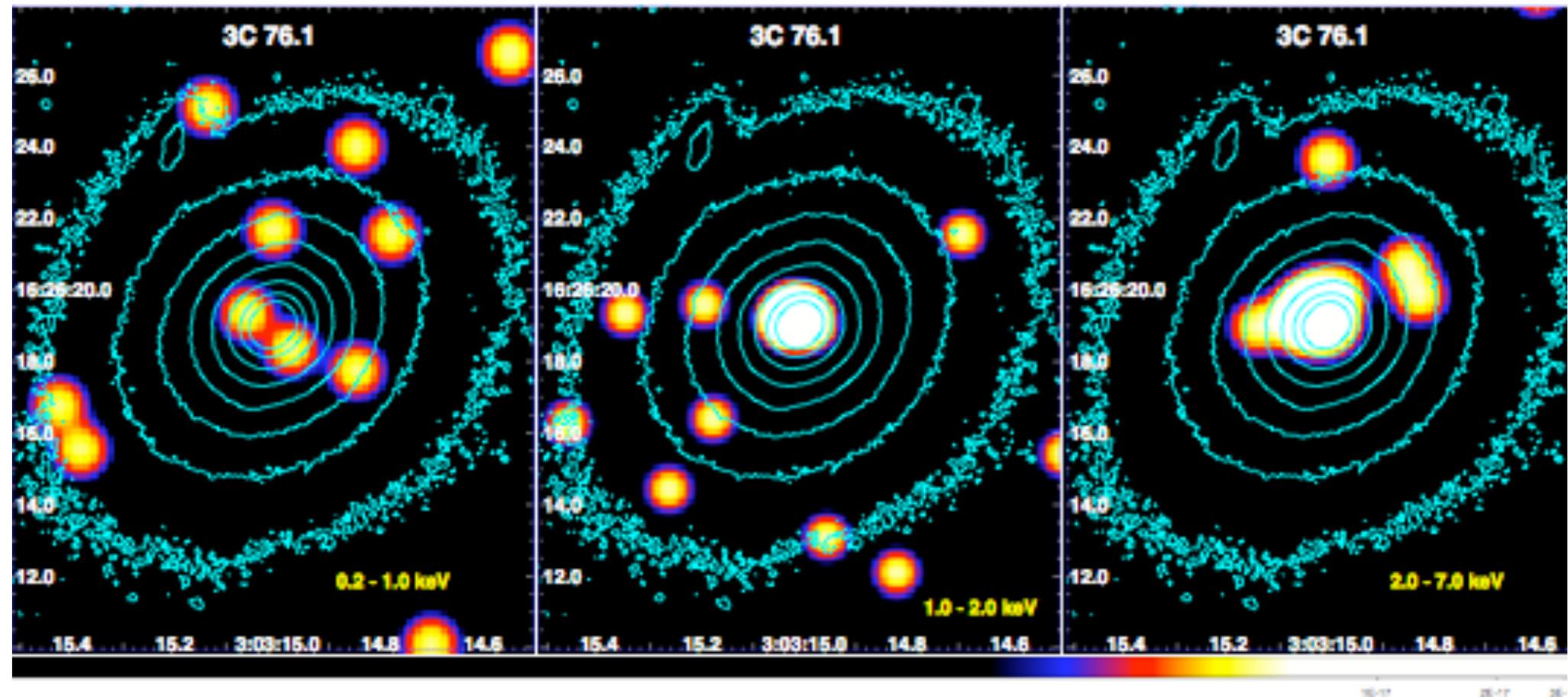
- Observed 28 of 30 sources so far
- Detected X ray emission in most sources; except 3C135 and 3C 315
- Examples of all types of sources:
  - nuclear emission,
  - extra-nuclear emission from jets, hot-spots
  - extended features and diffuse emission

# PRELIMINARY RESULTS: NUCLEI

- Nuclear emission detected in most cases, except 3C 135 and 3C 315
- X-ray nuclear emission provides a unique view of the processes of accretion at work in these sources
- We can derive the SED of the nuclei.
- We will test the correlations between X-ray nuclei and other properties of our radio sources

3C 76.1 NICMOS



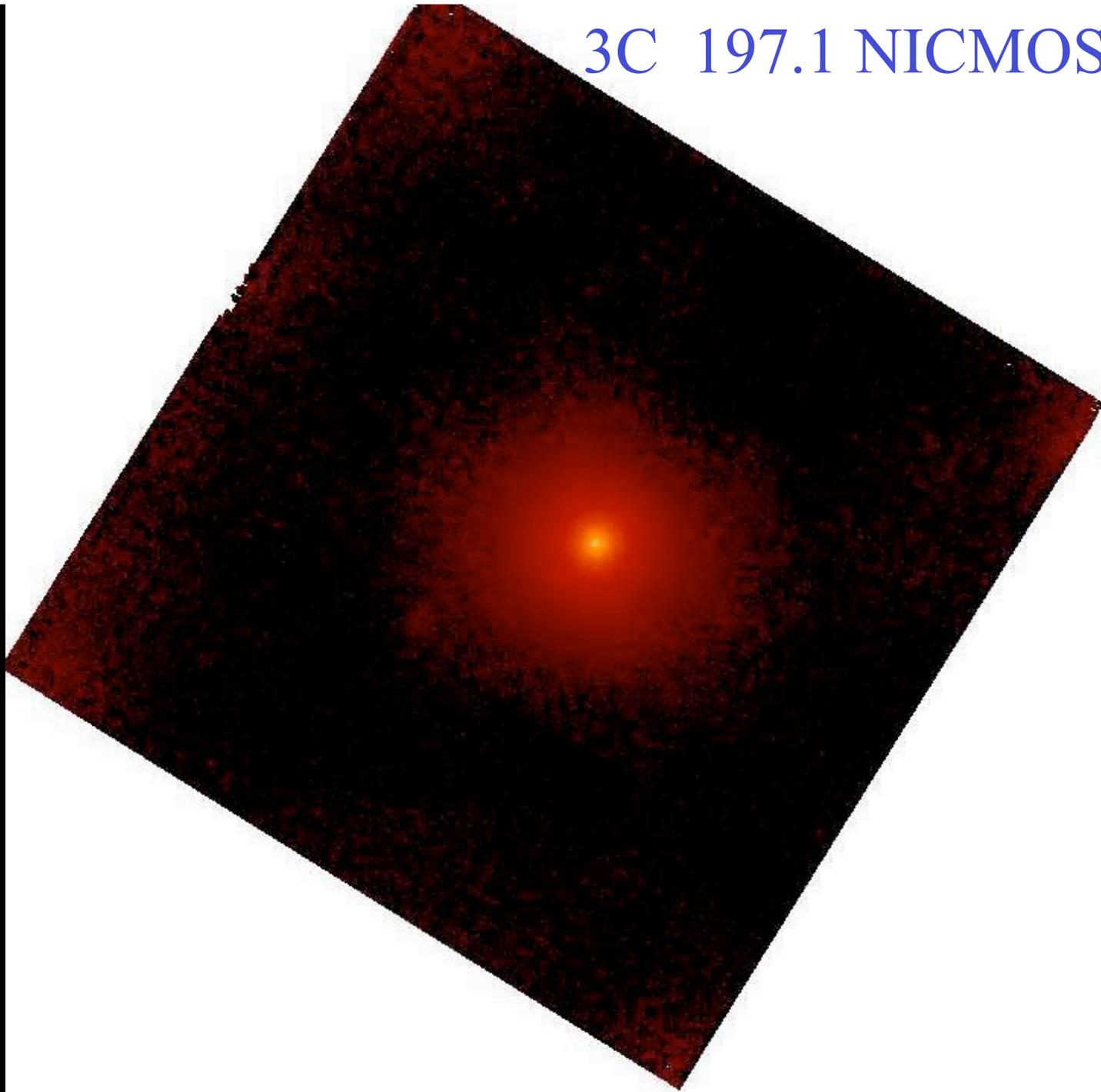


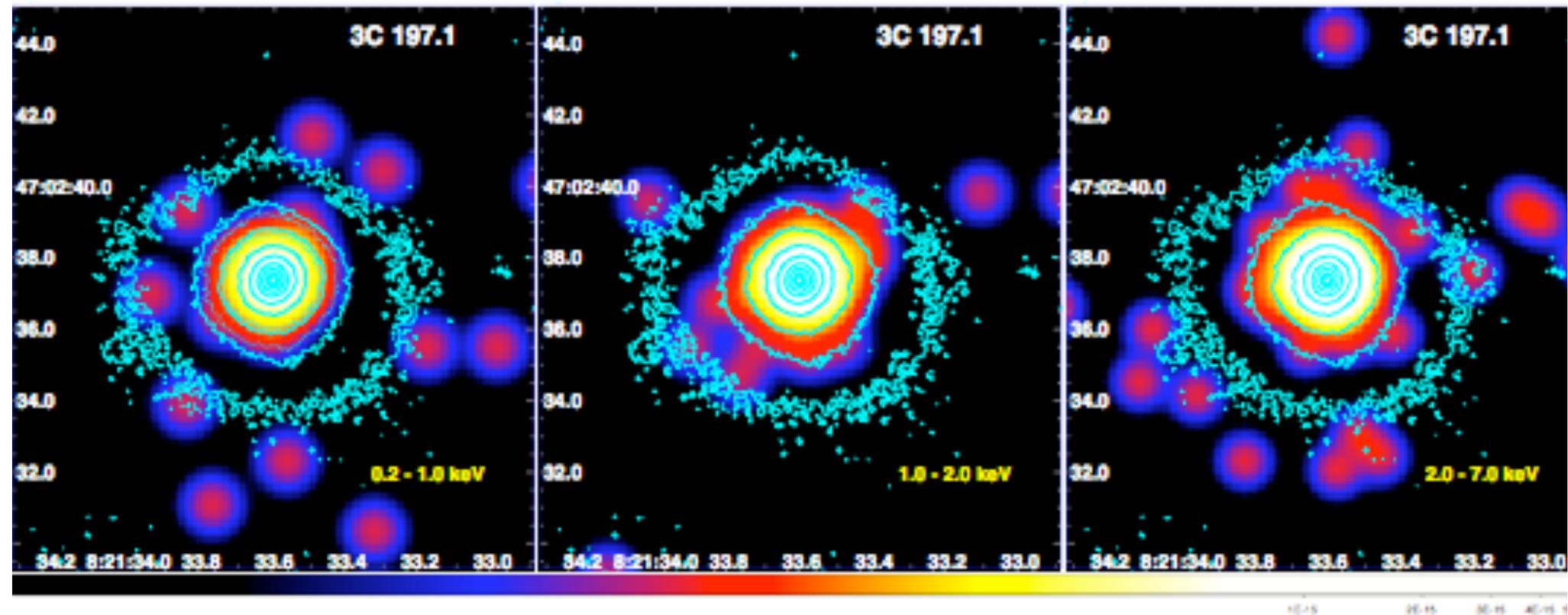
3C 76.1 in three different bands:  
 soft (0.2-1.0 keV) (left panel), medium (1.0-2.0 keV) (middle panel) and hard (2.0 -7.0 keV) (right panel). HST IR contours are shown in cyan.  
 No detection of nuclear emission in the soft band, clearly detected in the medium and hard bands; *intrinsic absorption? or intrinsic hard spectrum????*

# PRELIMINARY RESULTS: DIFFUSE EMISSION

- 3C 197.1
- Compact radio core radius  $\leq 0.3''$  (0.67 kpc)
- X-ray diffuse emission, around this region, extends to about  $1.75''$  (3.9 kpc), similar to the IR radiation shown by the HST data

3C 197.1 NICMOS





3C 197.1 in three different bands:  
soft (0.2 -1.0 keV) (left panel), medium (1.0 - 2.0 keV) (middle panel)  
and hard (2.0- 7.0 keV) (right panel).  
HST IR contours are shown in cyan.  
The nuclear emission is detectable in all bands.

**3C 197.1**

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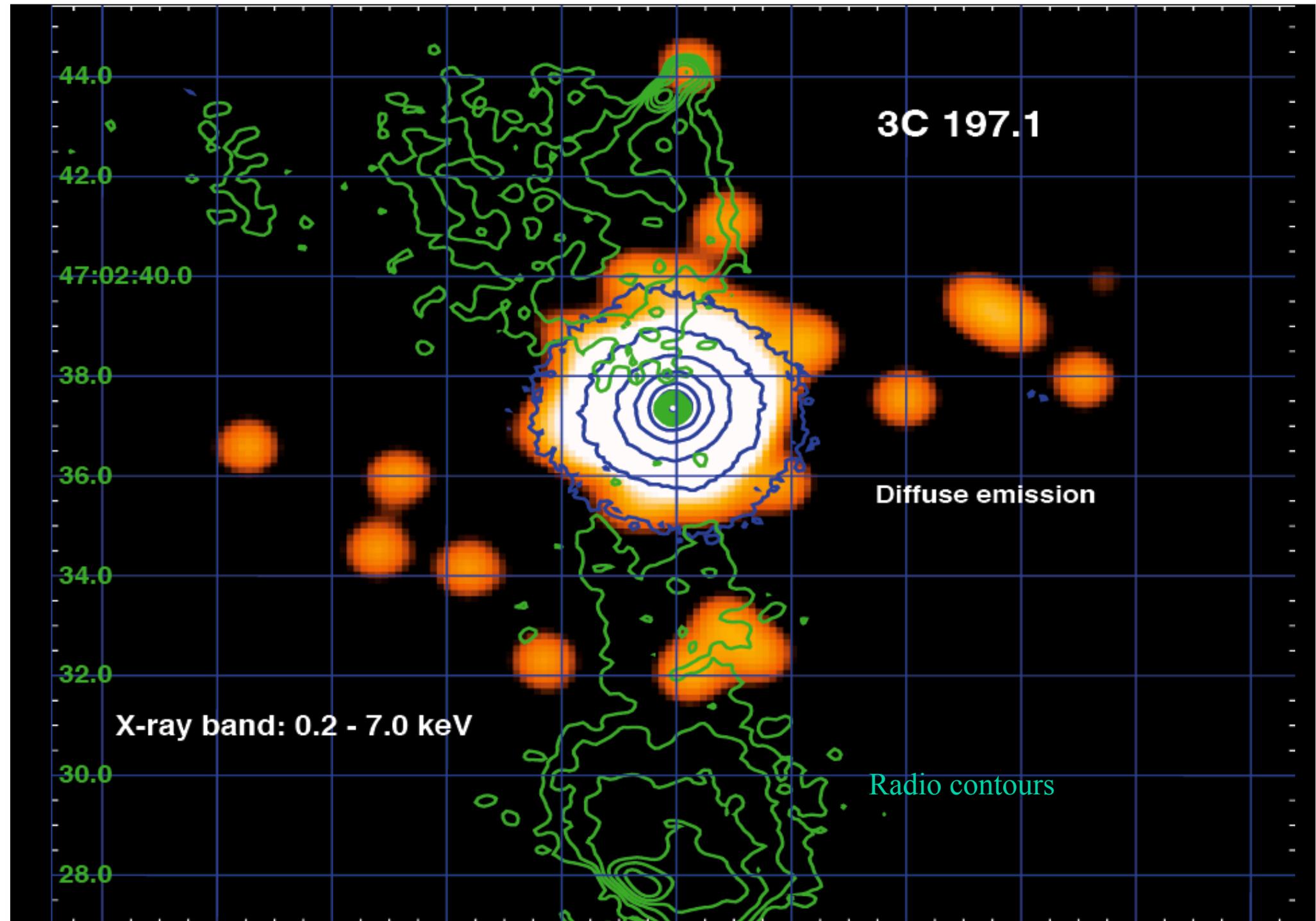
30.0

28.0

**Diffuse emission**

**X-ray band: 0.2 - 7.0 keV**

Radio contours



# JETS

Why and how are jets formed?

- Through the optical emission we can infer the properties of the accretion mechanism
  - Through the radio core and extended emission we study the jets properties.
- 
- **Are accretion properties and jets formation related processes or are they independent?**

# PRELIMINARY RESULTS: JETS

- 3C 17.0
- VLA radio map shows a bent jet (Morganti et al. 1999) in the southeast region
- We found the X-ray counterparts of two radio knots.
  - The first knot  $\sim 3.7''$  (12.8 kpc) from the nucleus
  - Second knot  $\sim 11.4''$  (39.5 kpc) away

# 3C 17.0

X-rays: 0.2 - 7.0 keV

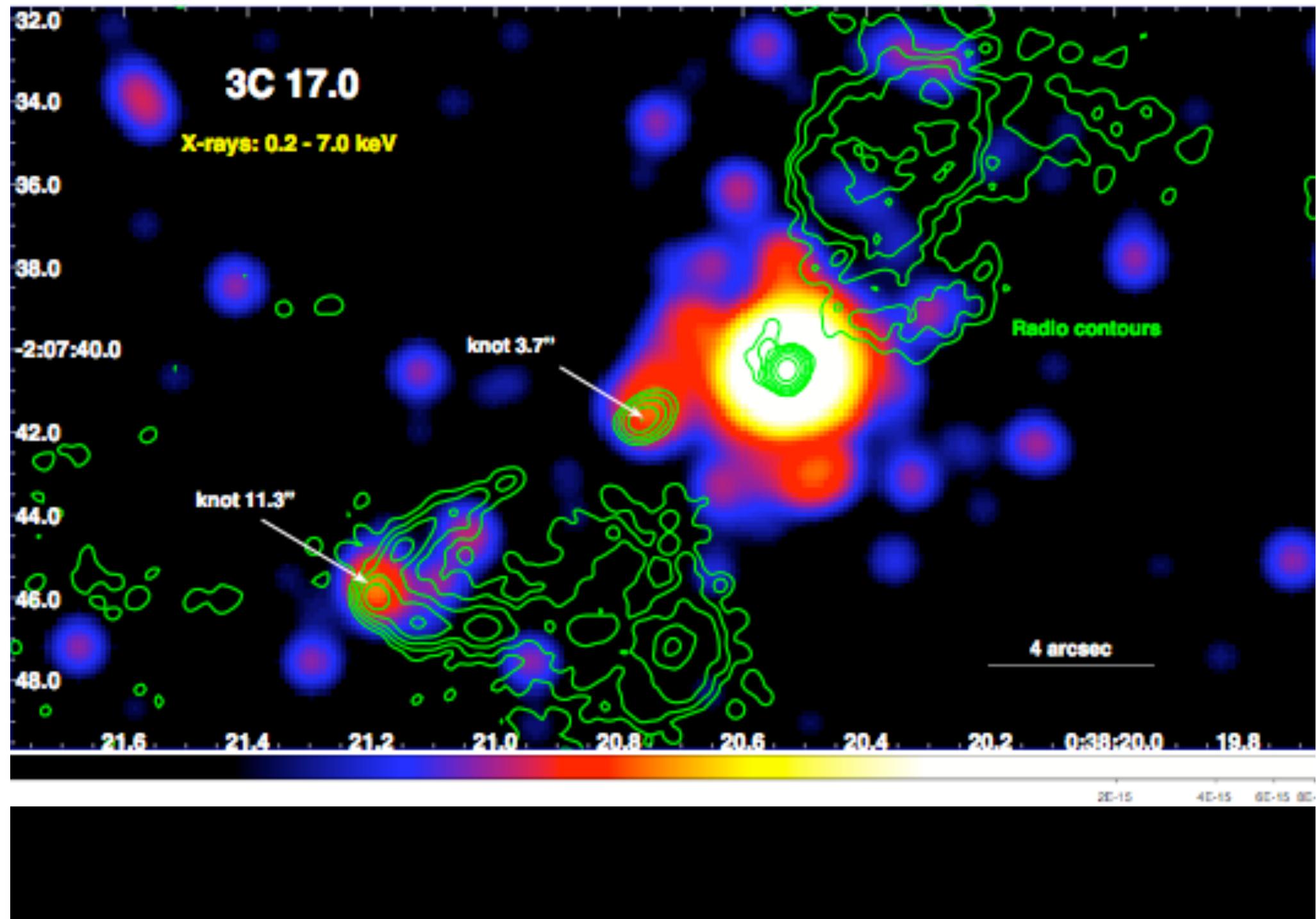
Radio contours

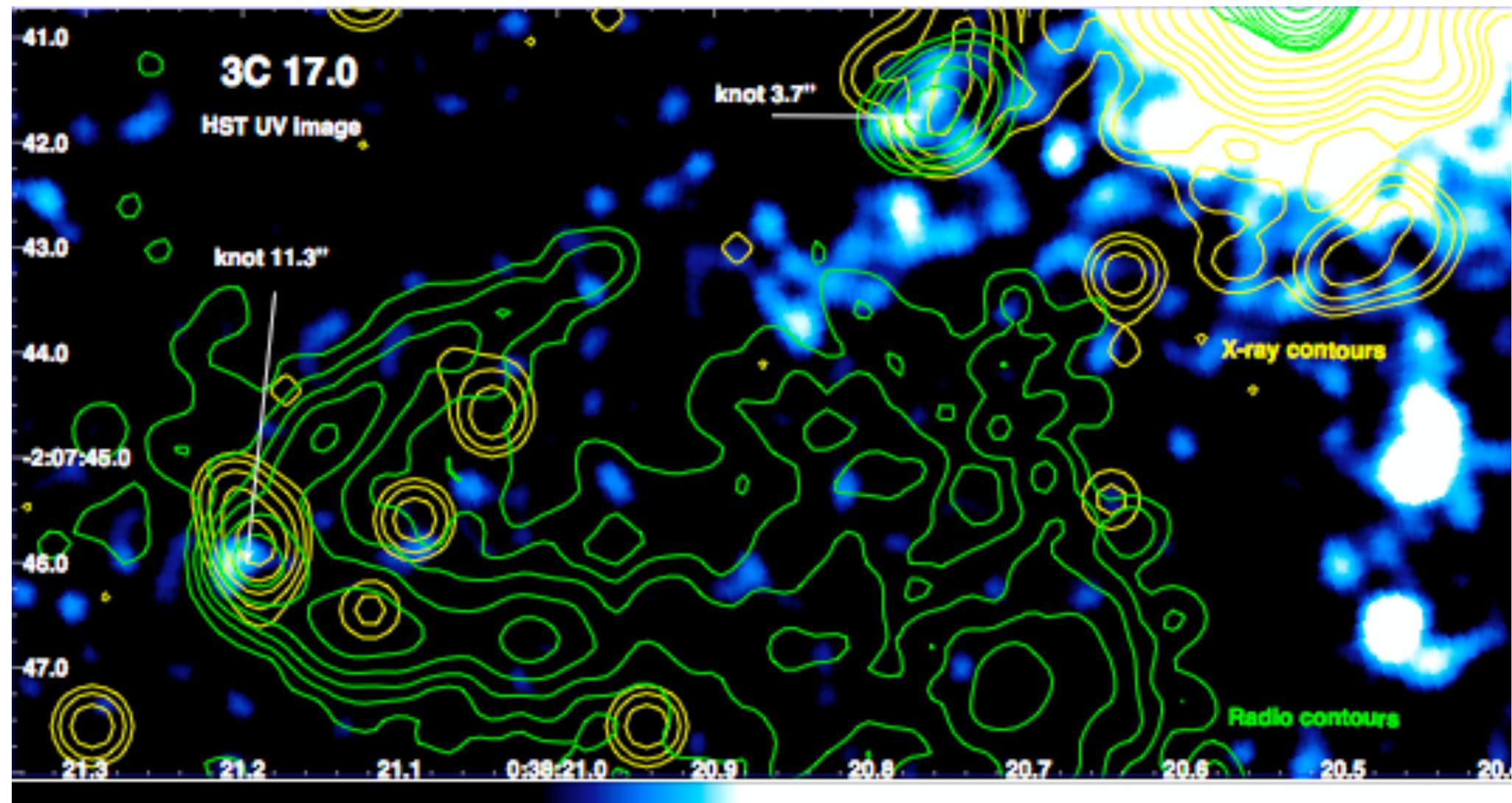
knot 3.7"

knot 11.3"

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# 3C 17.0

HST optical image

knot 3.7"

unidentified object

knot 11.3"

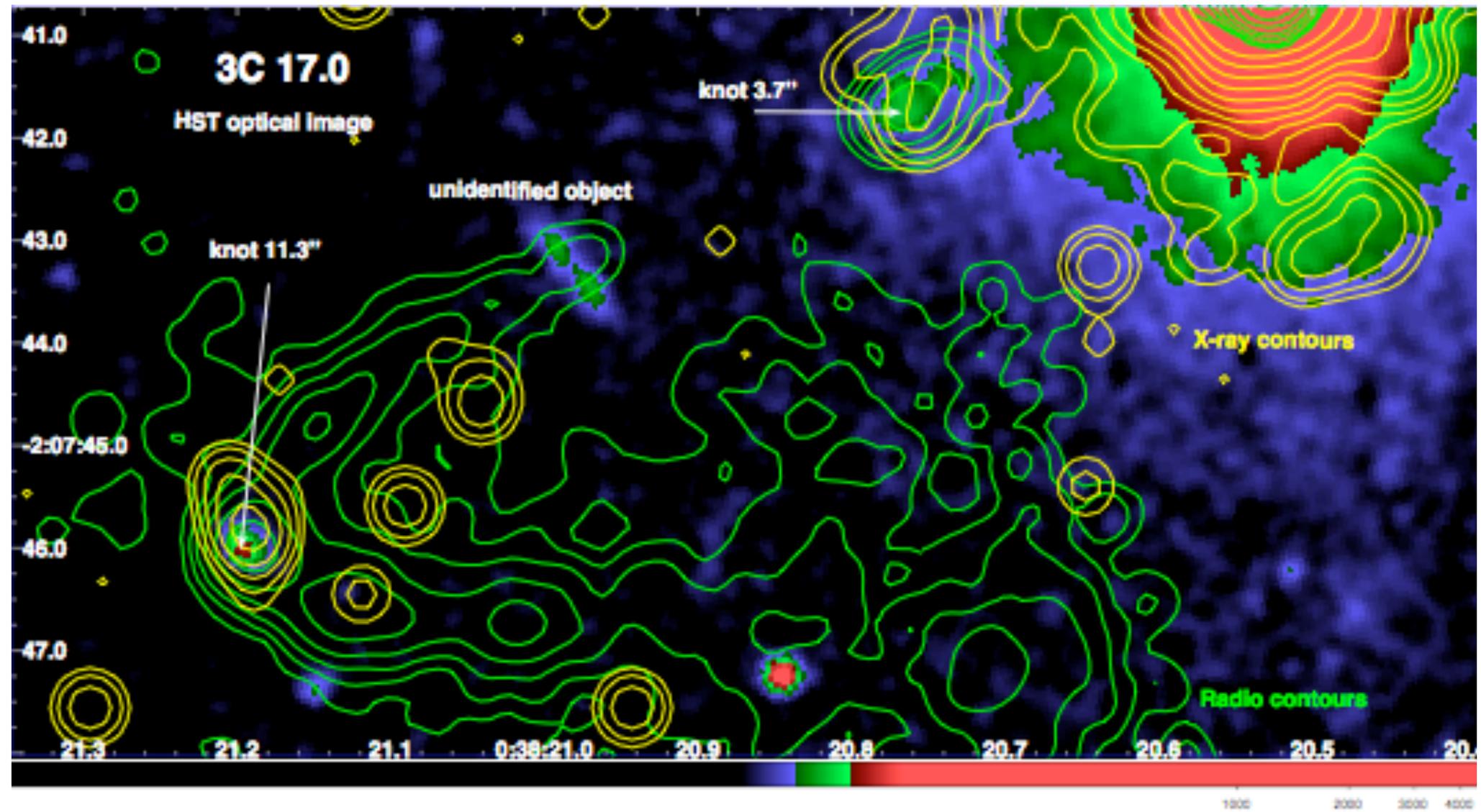
X-ray contours

Radio contours

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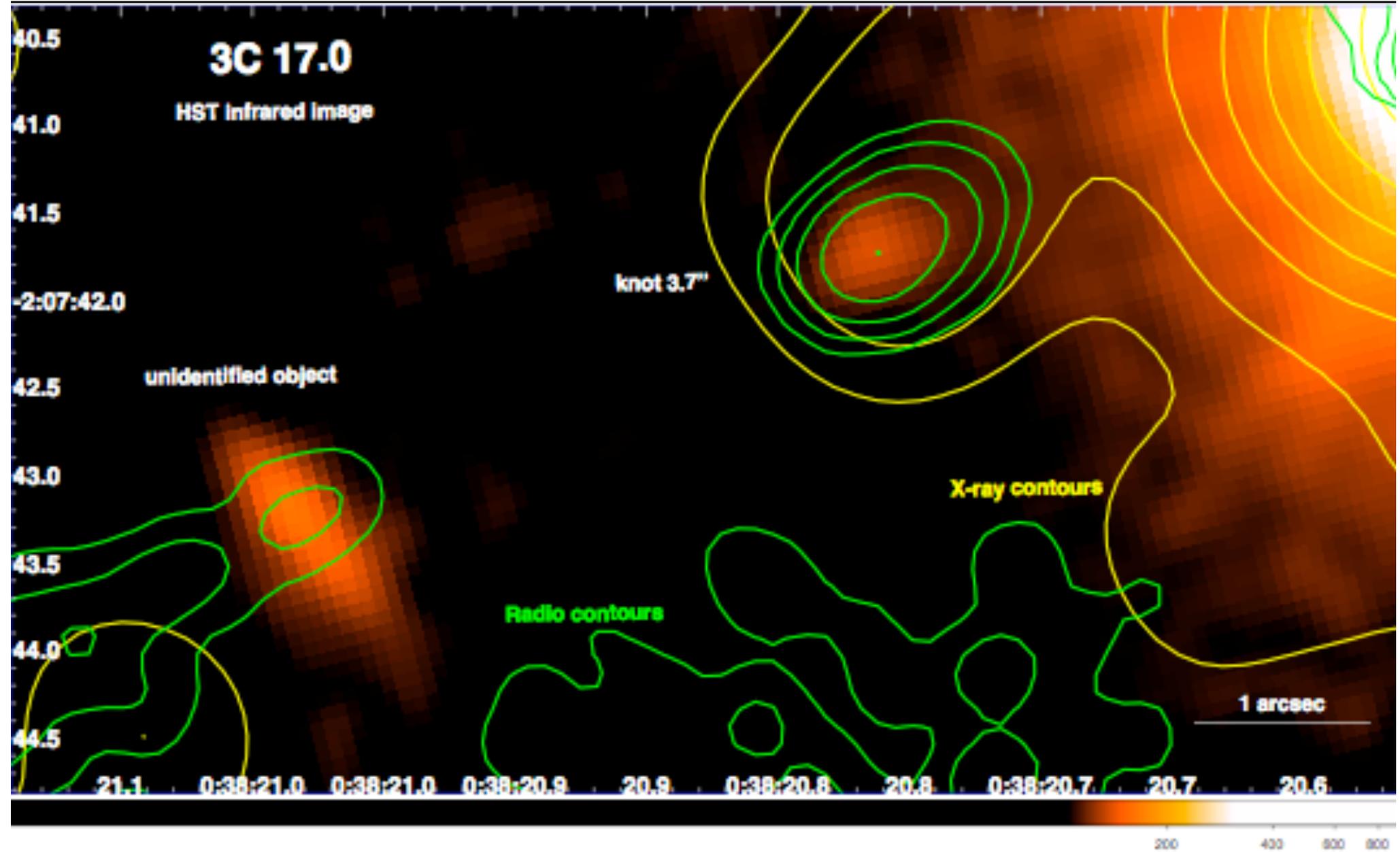
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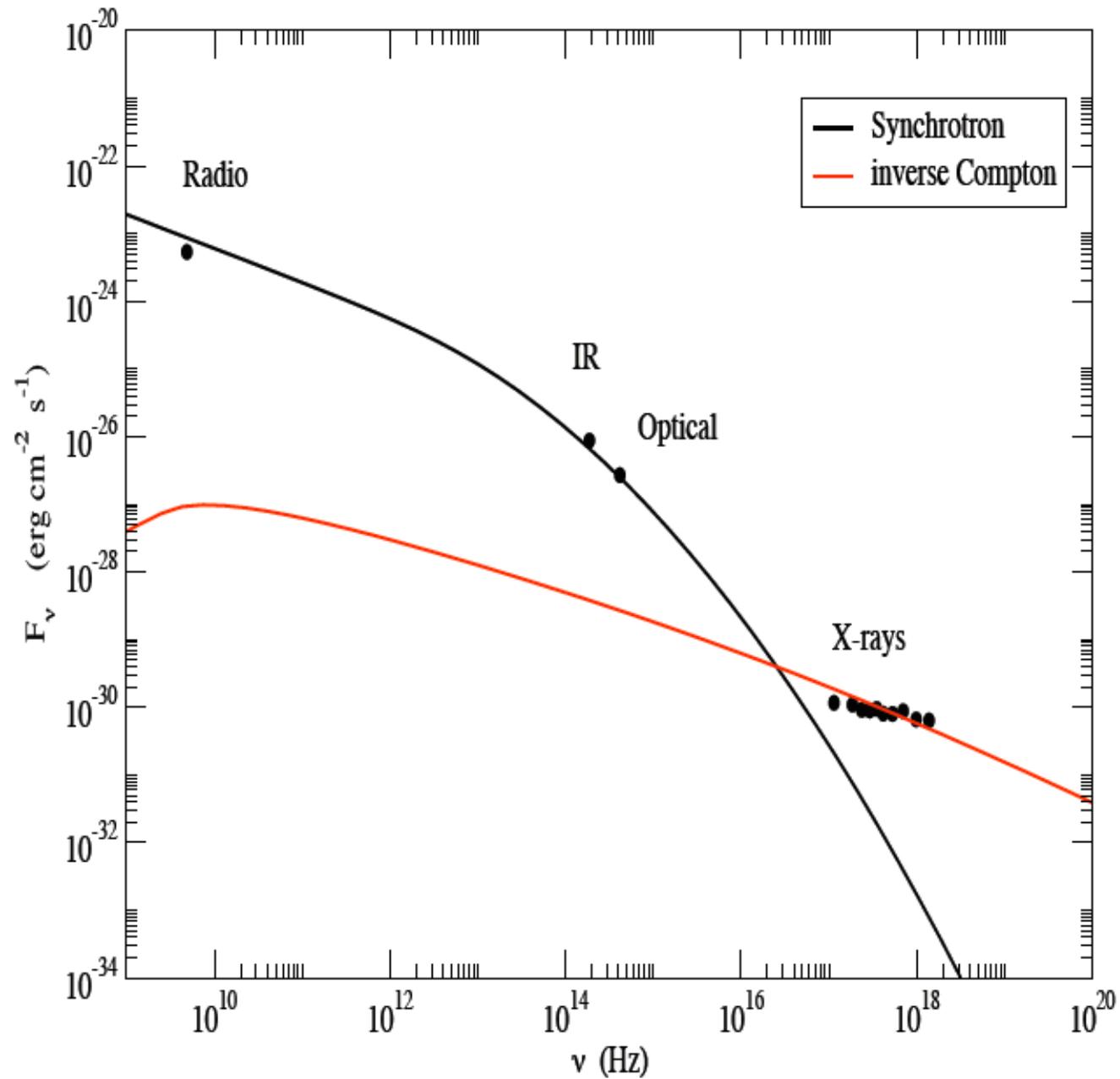


# 3C 17.0

HST Infrared Image



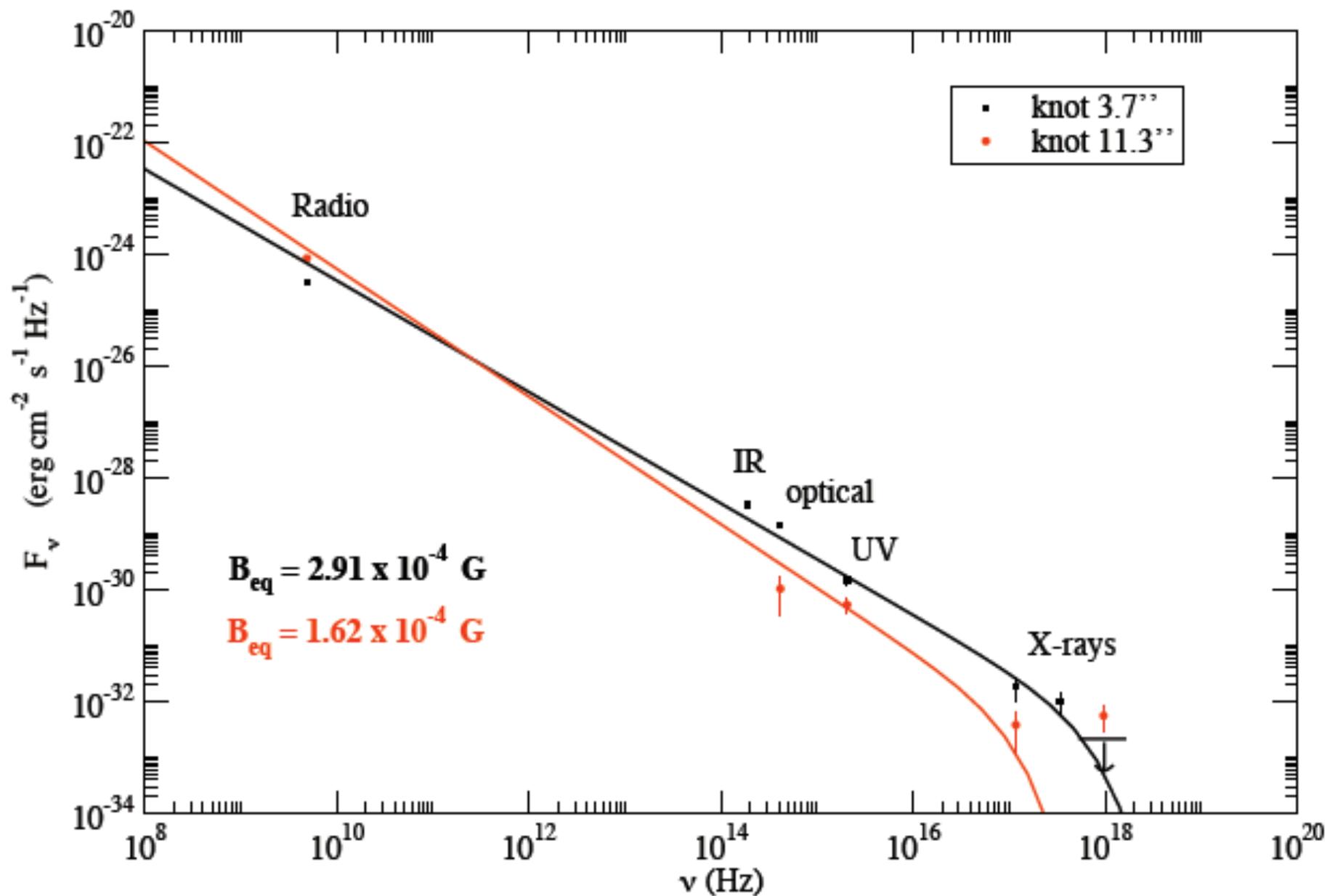
# 3C 17 - Nuclear emission



# 3C 17 JET EMISSION

- We assumed
  - the distribution of emitting electrons is a power-law
  - the volume of the accelerating region is the same as the emitting region, and correspond to that measured with the radio data
  - the magnetic field is in equipartition with electrons.
- Best fit is synchrotron

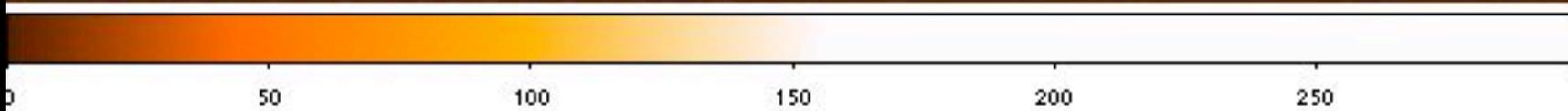
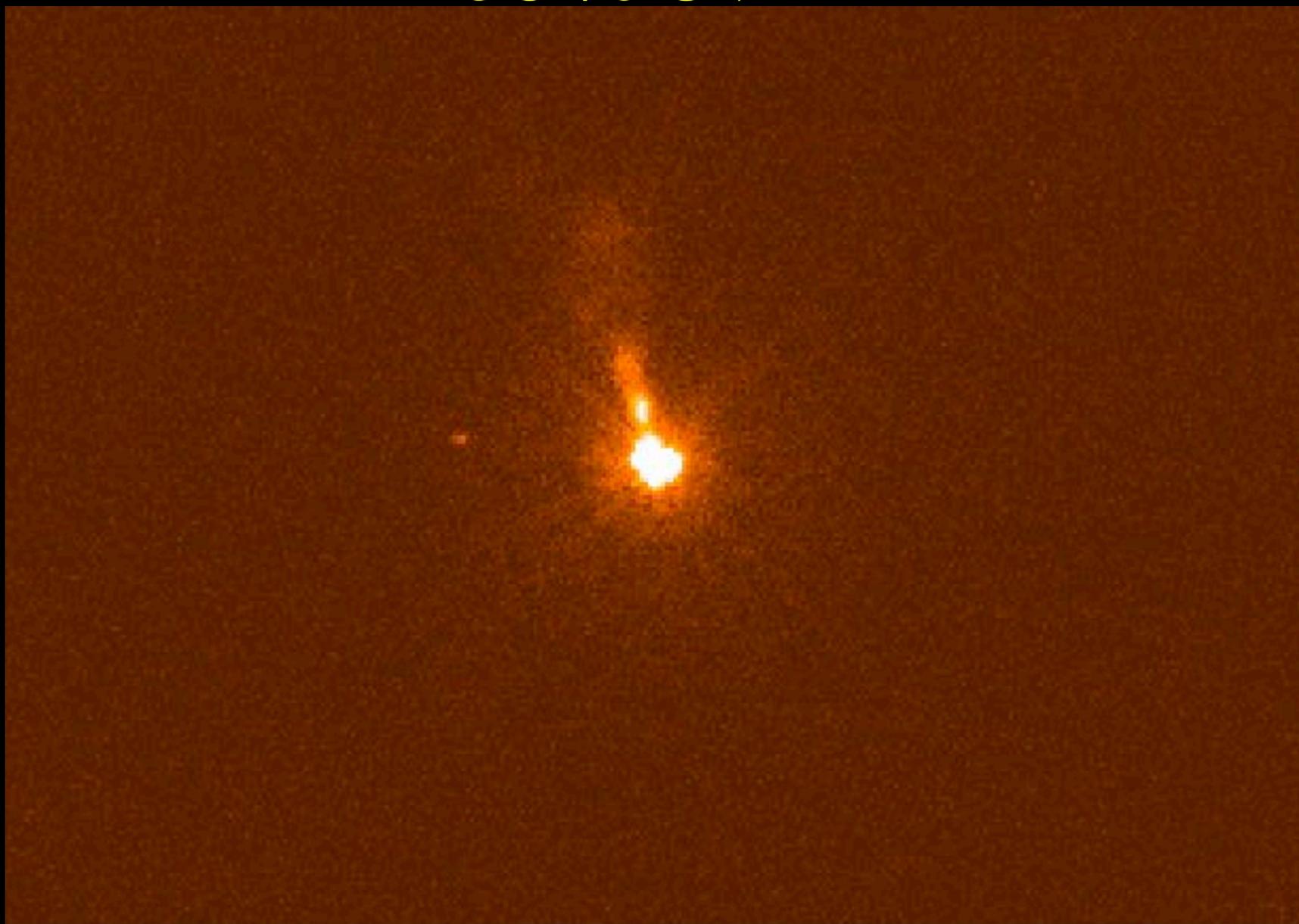
# 3C 17.0 knot spectra

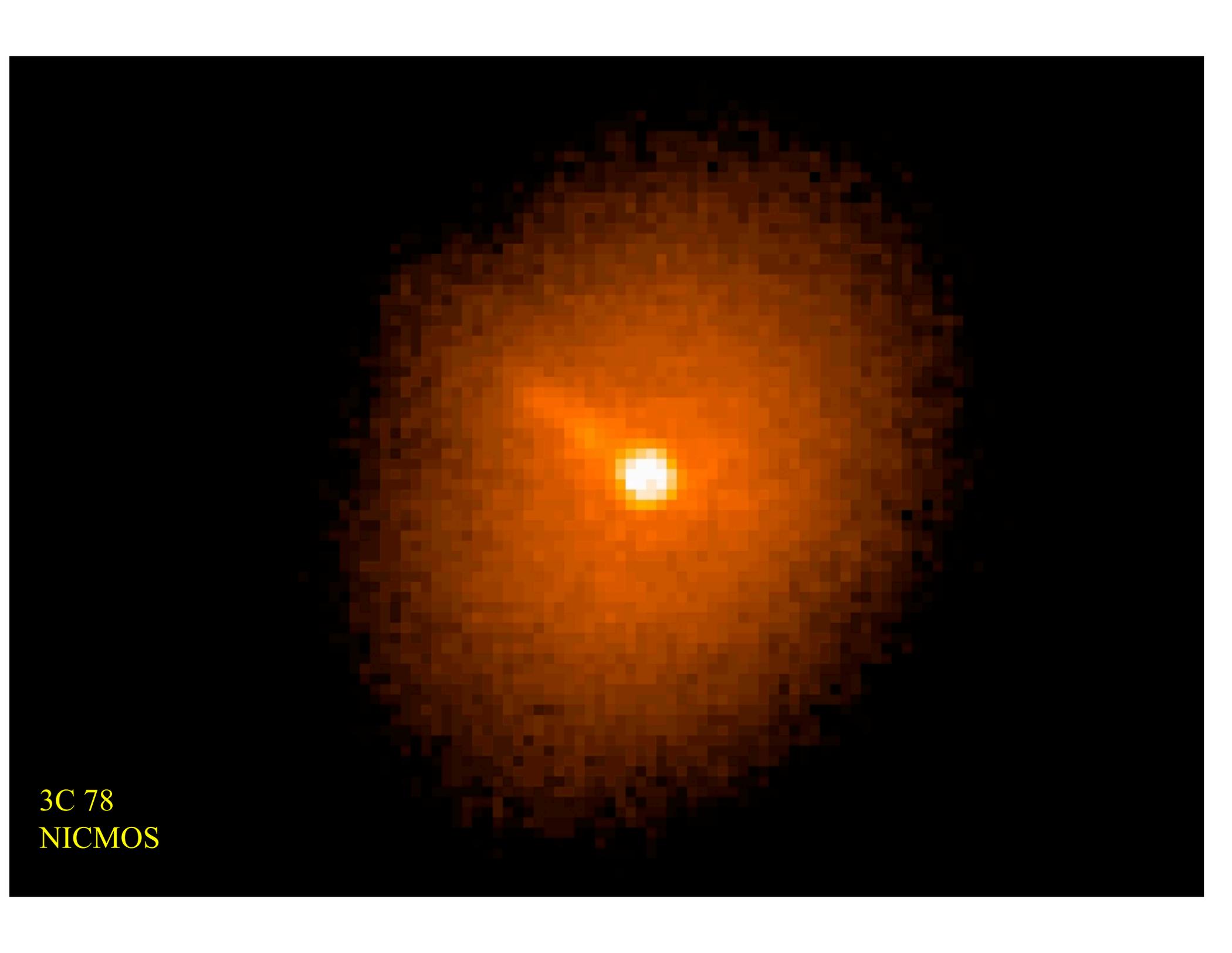


# 3C 78

- 3C 78 (NGC 1218) is a nearby ( $z \leq 0.03$ ) S0 galaxy (Schmidt et al. 1965) with a prominent optical synchrotron jet detected with the WFPC2.
- It is associated with the radio emission detected by Unger et al. (1984) in the MERLIN observation and by Morganti et al. (1993) with the VLA
- The X-ray emission detected for the knot 1.3" (0.73 kpc) is  $6.69 \times 10^{14}$  erg cm<sup>2</sup> s<sup>-1</sup> in the 0.2 - 7.0 keV band

# 3C 78 UV

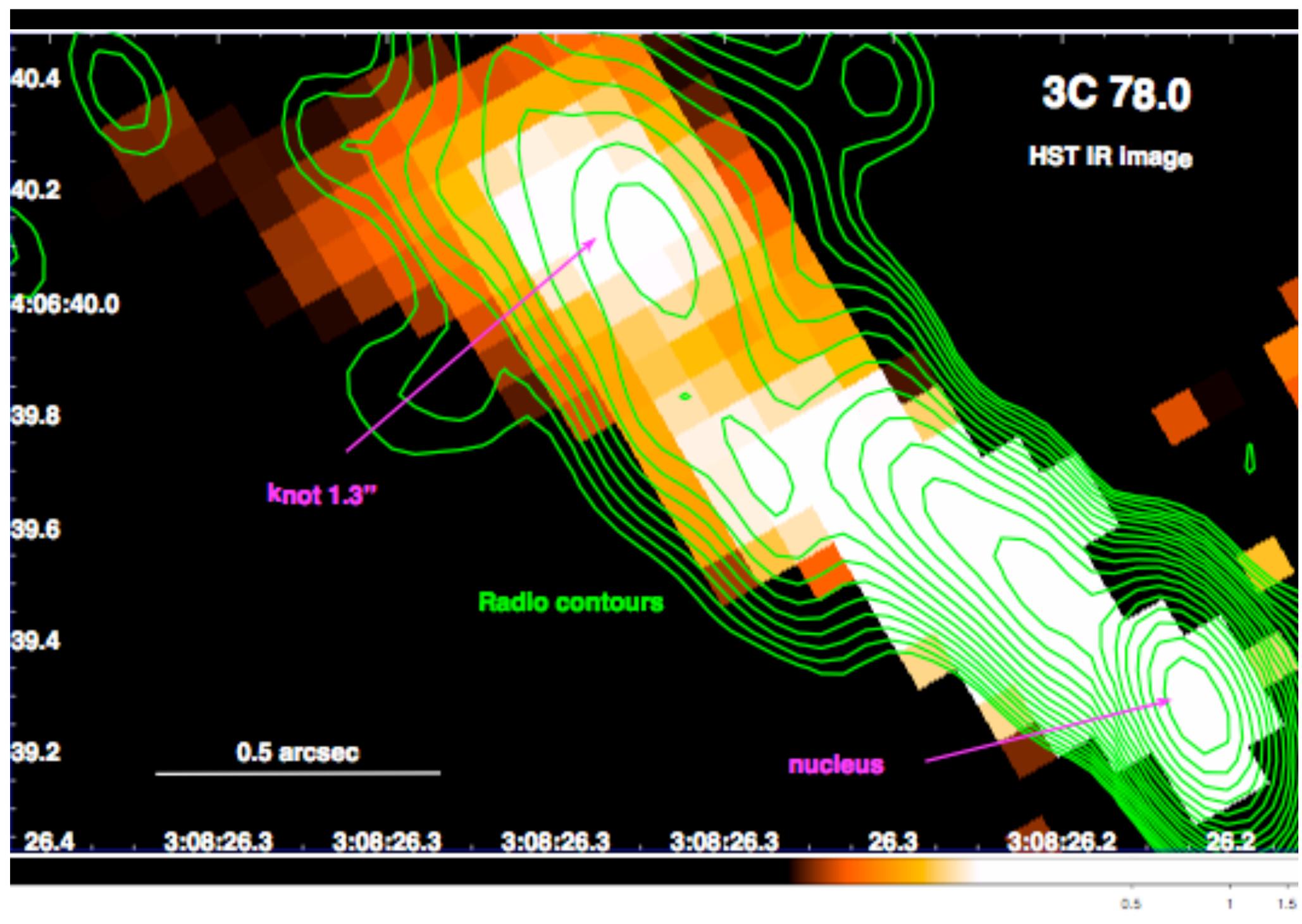




3C 78  
NICMOS

# 3C 78.0

HST IR Image



knot 1.3"

Radio contours

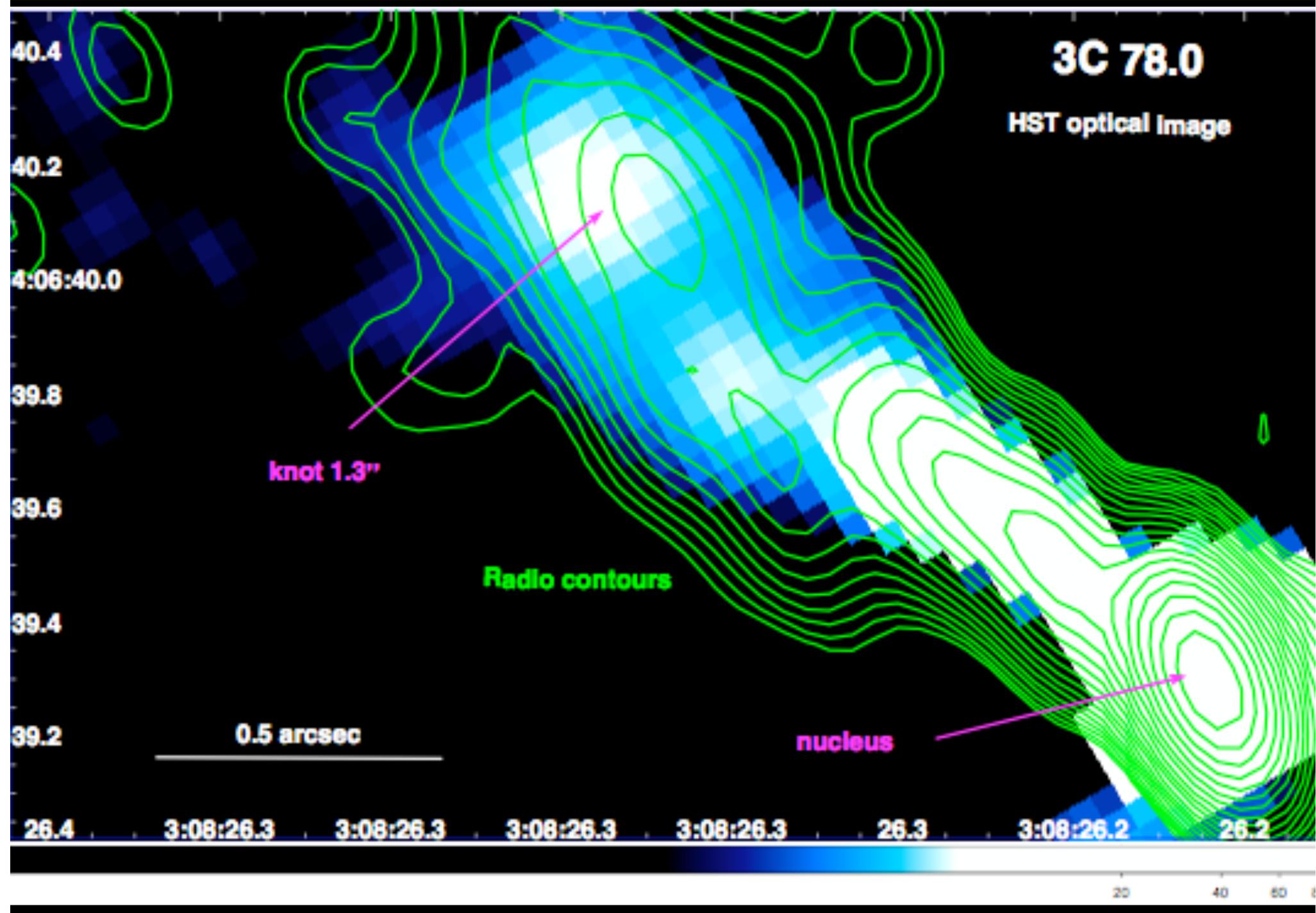
nucleus

0.5 arcsec

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**3C 78.0**

**HST optical Image**



**knot 1.3"**

**Radio contours**

**0.5 arcsec**

**nucleus**

20 40 60

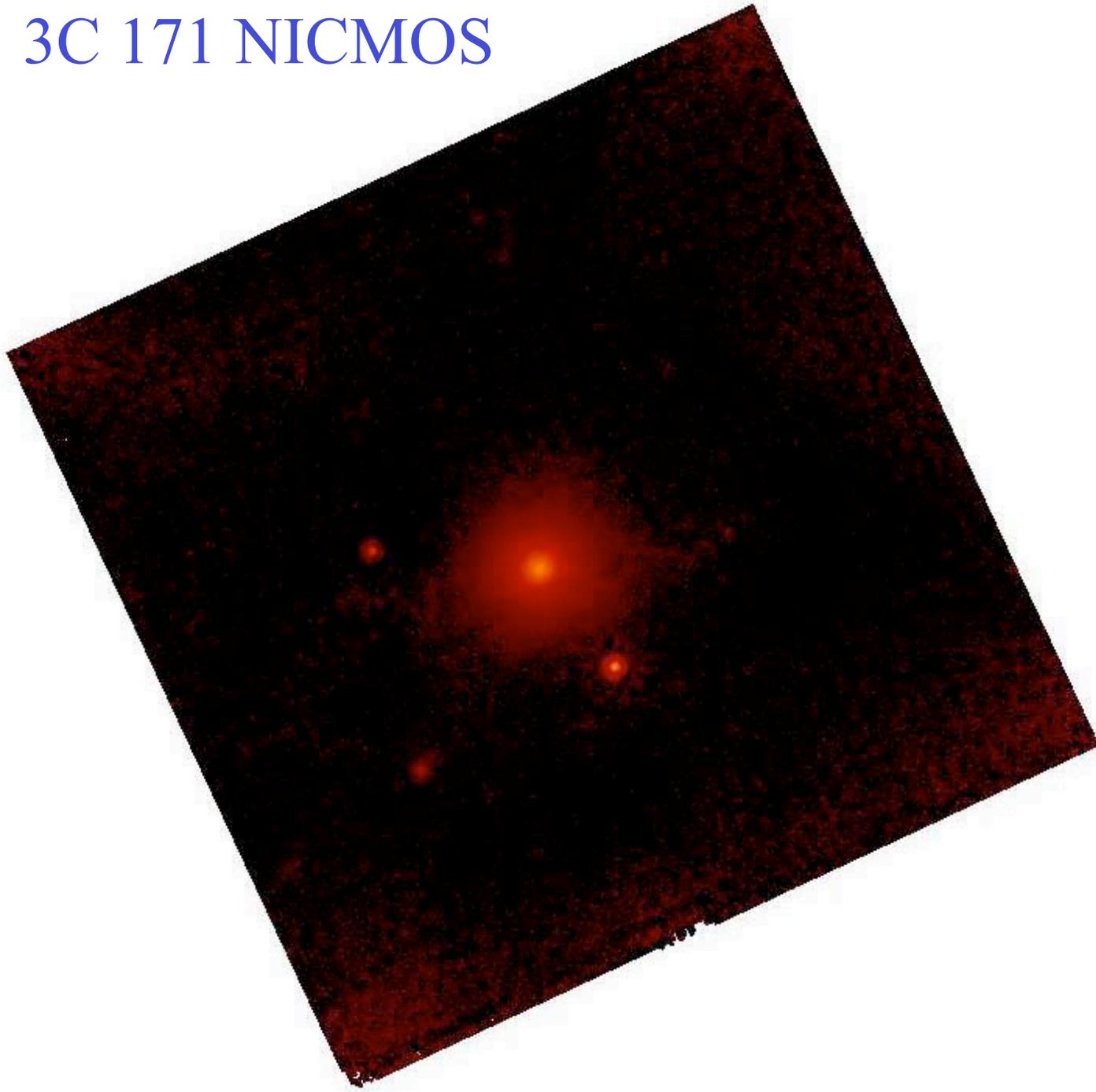
# KEY QUESTIONS: HOT SPOTS

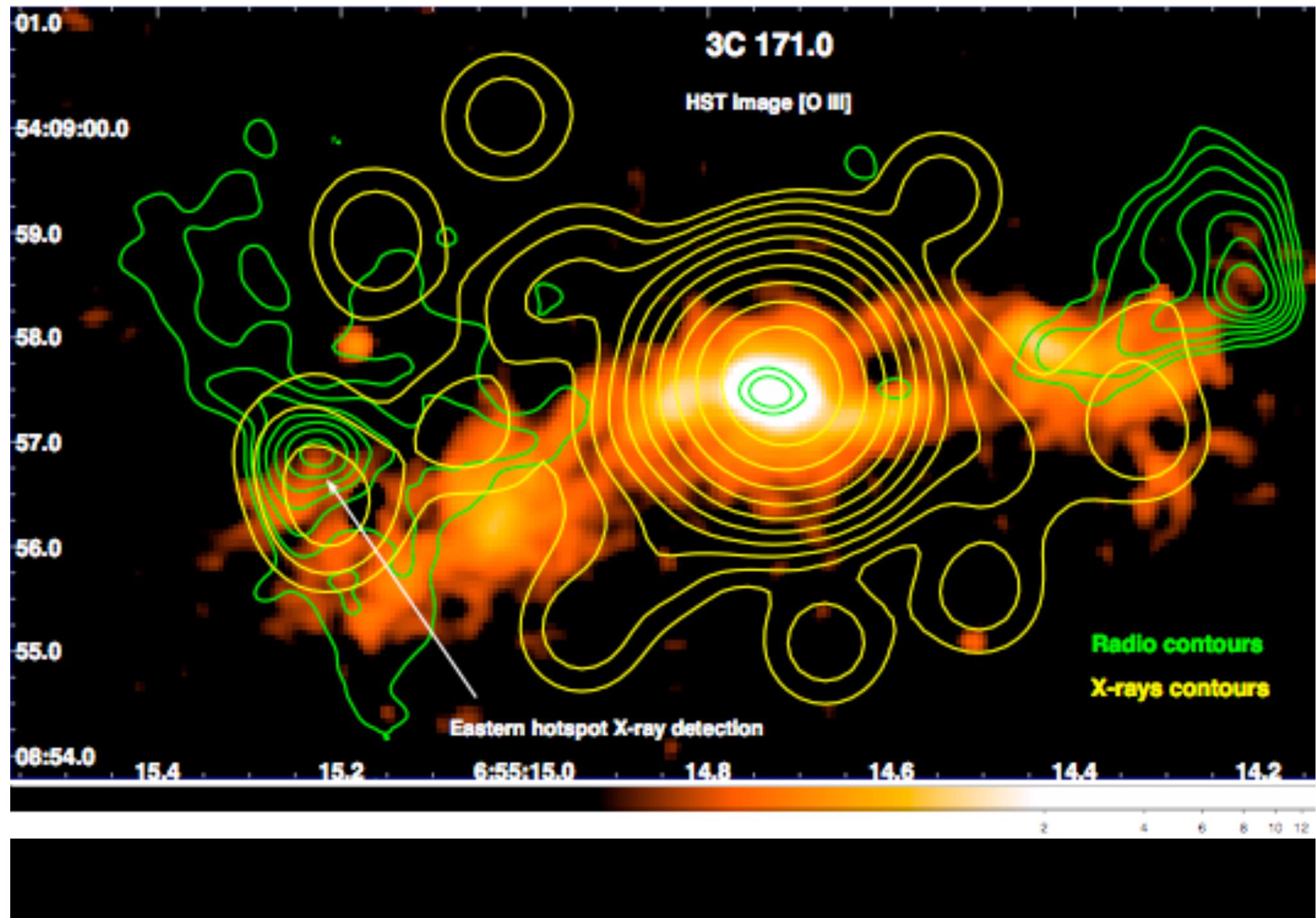
- How common are hot-spots in X-rays?
- And what is the emission mechanism?
- Synchrotron and synchrotron-self Compton are the most plausible scenarios.
- The broad-band spectral index of hot spots is often steep and the X-ray emission can be well explained as due to SSC radiation
- However, several hot spots are best modeled with synchrotron radiation (emitted by a single population of relativistic electrons) from the radio to the X-rays

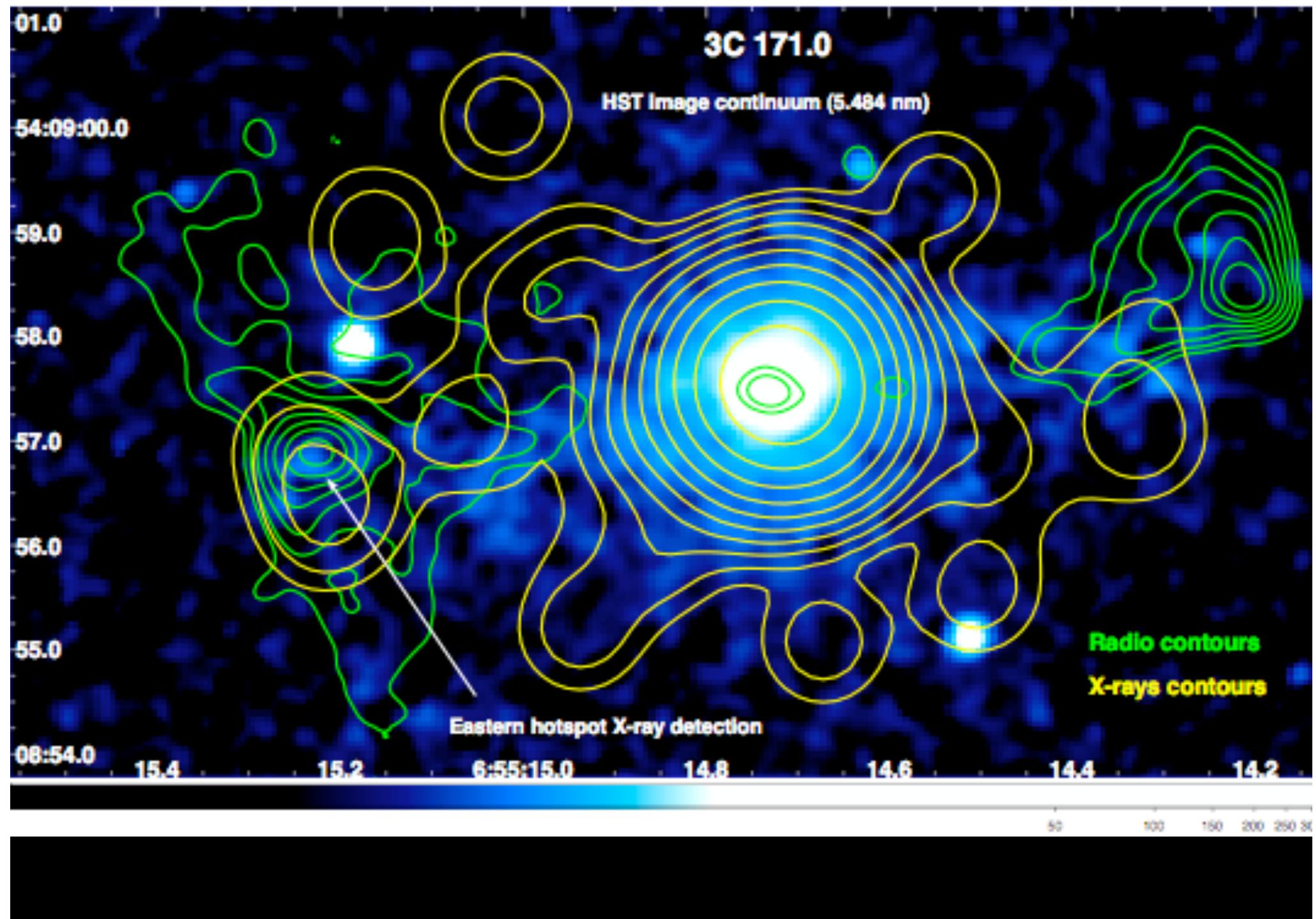
# PRELIMINARY RESULTS: HOT SPOTS

- 3C 171
- Detected emission associated with the East hotspot of 3C 171
- Interesting correspondence with O III emission
- Recalls similar correlation we found with HST in nearby Seyferts, Markarian galaxies and other 3C sources
  - (3C 236 O’Dea et al ApJ 01, 3C 244.1 Feinstein et al ApJ 02)

3C 171 NICMOS



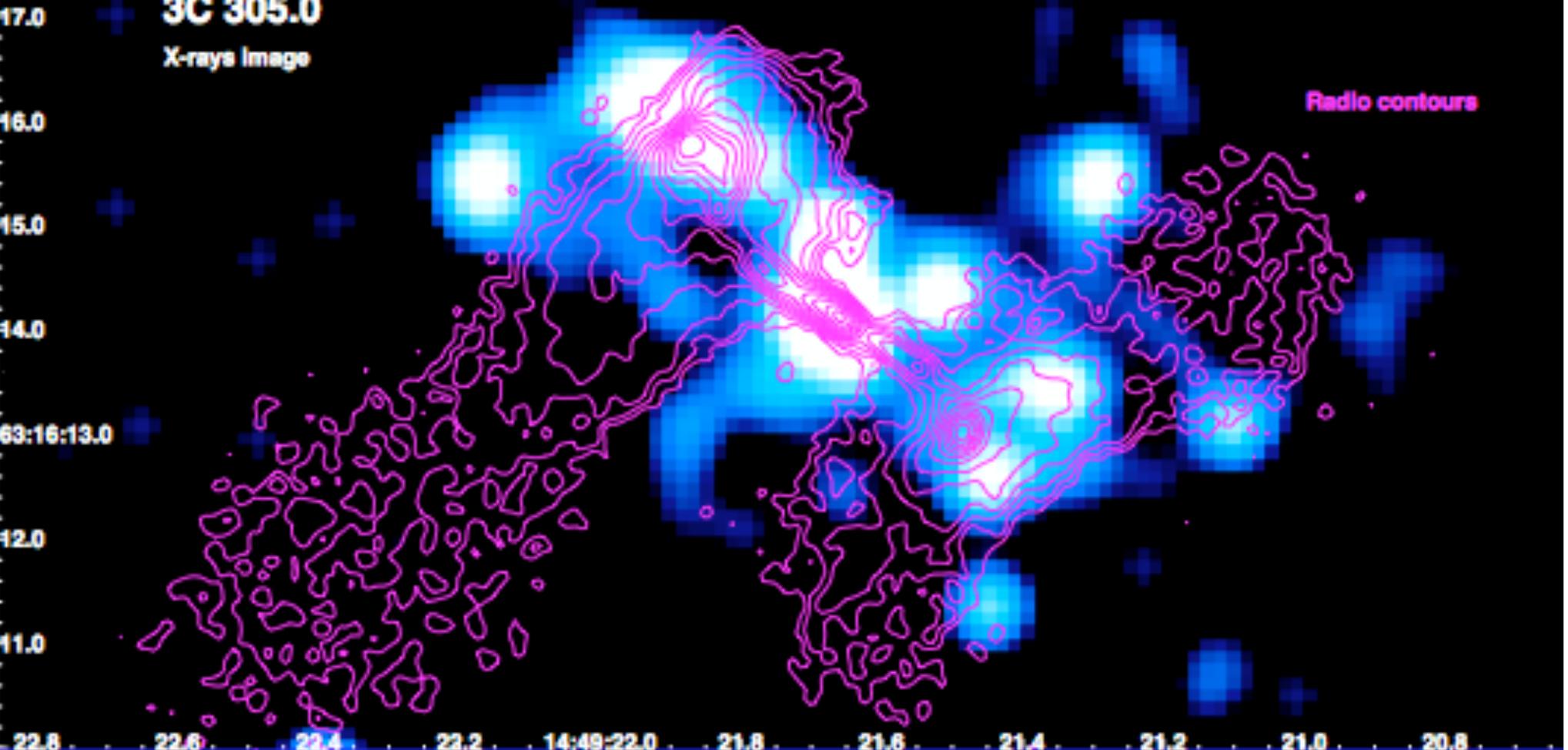




3C 305.0

X-rays Image

Radio contours



22.8 22.6 22.4 22.2 14:49:22.0 21.8 21.6 21.4 21.2 21.0 20.8

# 3C 305.0

HST optical image

Radio contours

17.0

16.0

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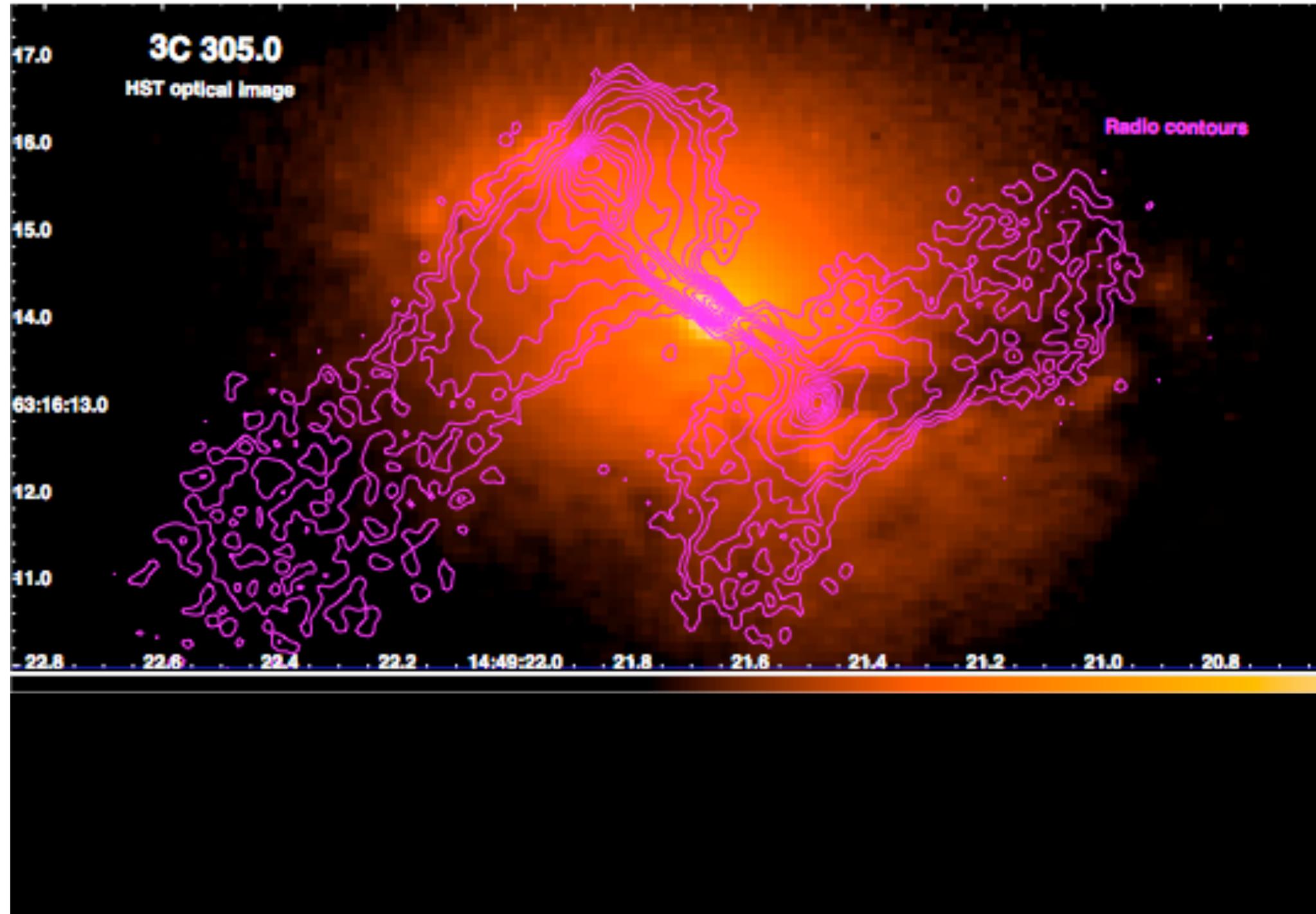
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HST optical image

X-rays contours

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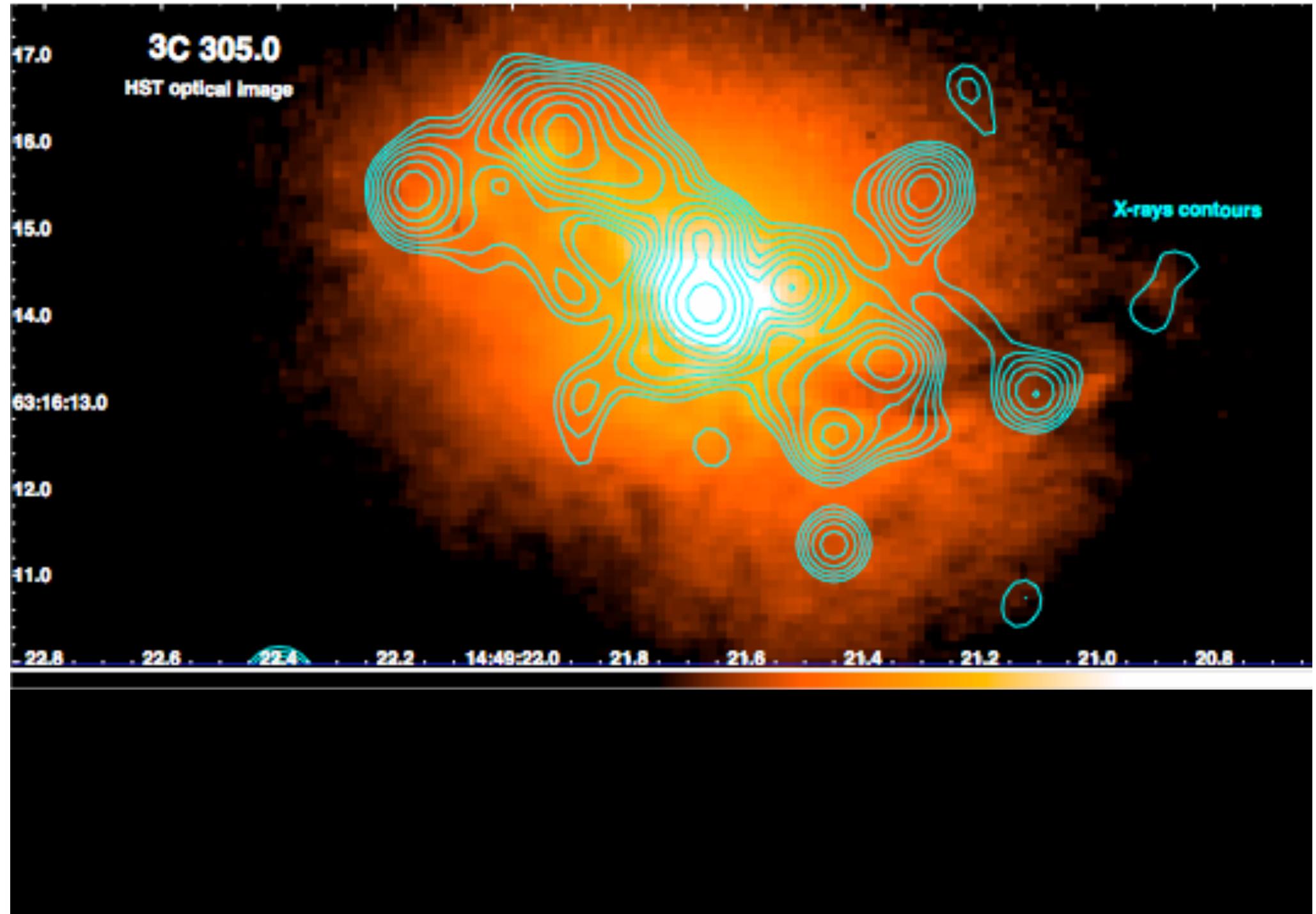
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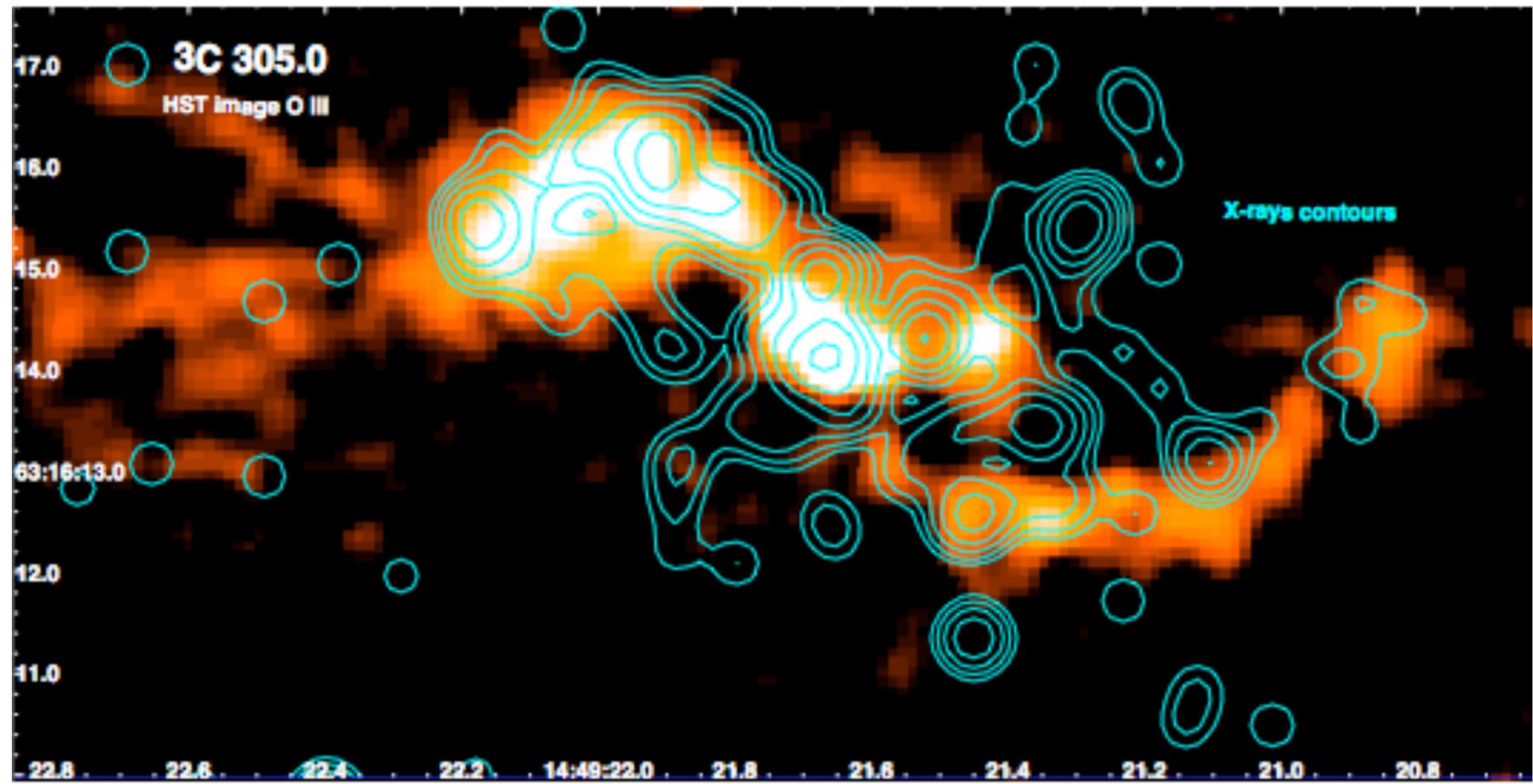
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## 3C 305

- Soft X-Ray/OIII connection similar to what has been found in Seyfert 2 sources (Bianchi et al A&A, 2006)
- The soft X-ray emission is produced by gas photoionized by the nuclear source.
- The same source accounts for the OIII emission

# CONCLUSIONS FOR FR I

- LOW LUMINOSITY RADIO GALAXIES DO NOT HAVE THREE OF THE MOST CHARACTERISTIC SIGNATURES OF THE AGN ACTIVITY :
  - A RADIATIVELY EFFICIENT ACCRETION DISK
  - A BROAD LINE REGION
  - A GEOMETRICALLY THICK OBSCURING TORUS
- THEY ARE THE MANIFESTATION OF A FUNDAMENTALLY DIFFERENT STRUCTURE OF THE CENTRAL ENGINE
- *Optical/radio correlation implies that most FRI's nuclei are jet dominated !*

# CONCLUSIONS FOR FR II

- BLO HAVE UNOBSURED NUCLEI AND AN OPTICAL EXCESS
  - IS THERE A TRESHOLD AT WHICH THE ACCRETION REGIME CHANGES?
  - ARE WE OBSERVING THE ACCRETION DISK?
- LEG ARE FRI - LIKE
  - SYNCHROTRON DOMINATED NUCLEI - NO HIDDEN QUASAR
  - THEY MUST BE UNIFIED WITH BL LACS AND NOT WITH QSO
- HEG ARE OBSCURED QUASARS
  - THEIR NUCLEI ARE VISIBLE IN THE IR