

A new view on the Lighthouse Nebula, IGR J11014-6103



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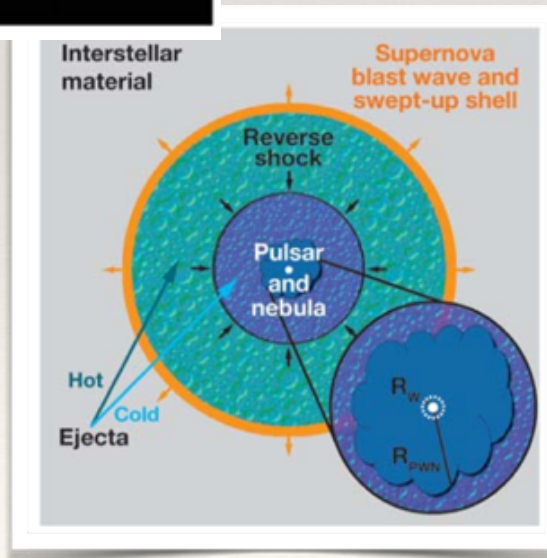
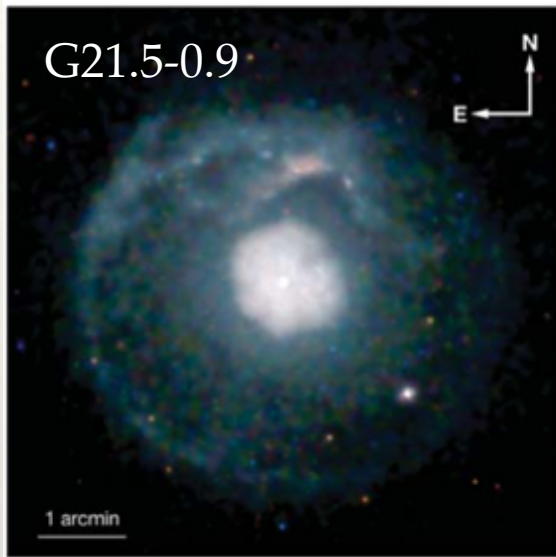
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PWNe (plerion)

Gaensler & Slane 2006 ARA&A 44 17

Matheson & Safi-Harb 2005 ASPR 35, 6



- ❖ rotational energy loss from the PSR
- ❖ relativistic magnetized wind (e- e+ p+ ...?)
- ❖ sync + i.Compt+ opt Balmer lines
- ❖ PWNe from PSRs with $\dot{E} > 4 \cdot 10^{36}$ erg/s

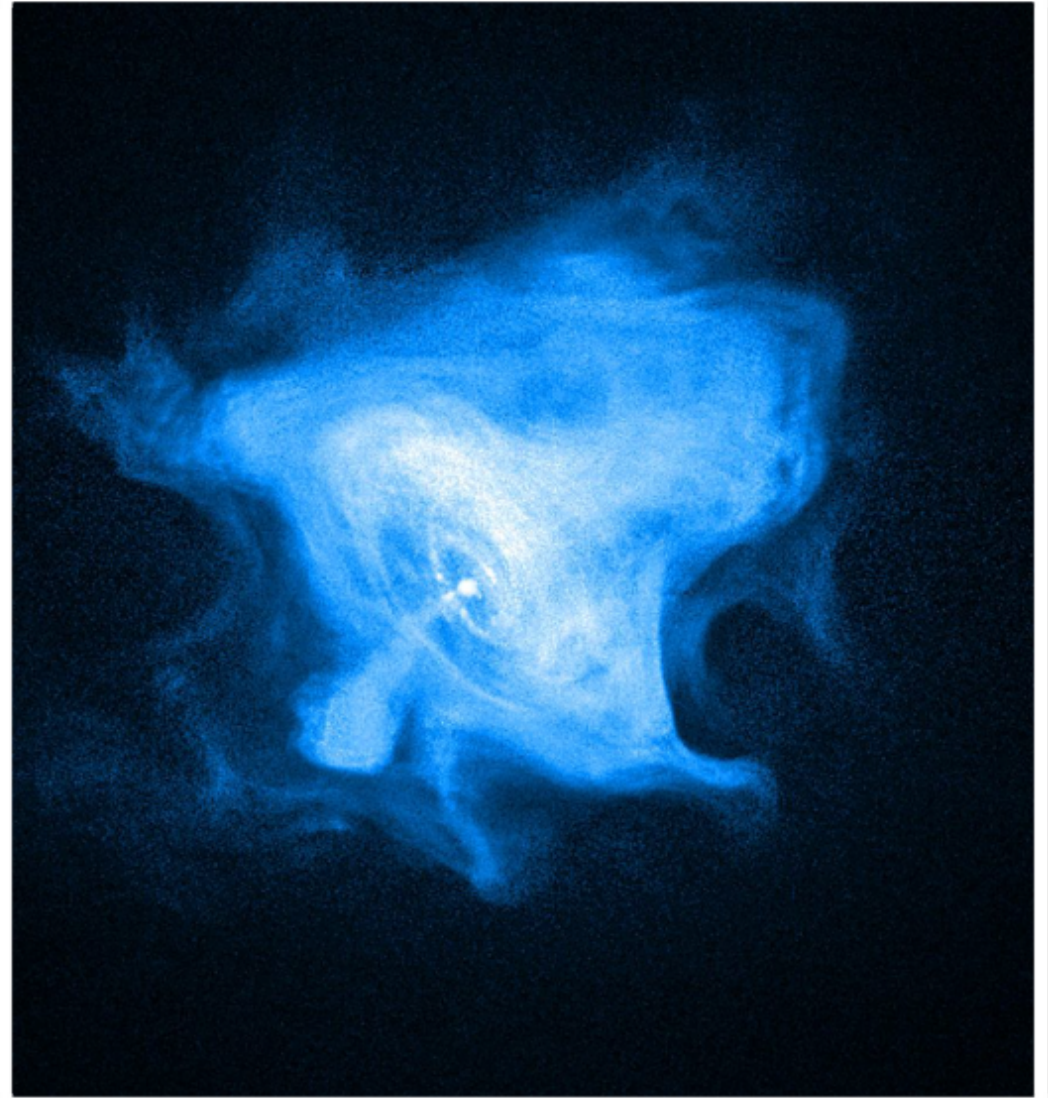
$$\dot{E} = 4\pi^2 I P_{\text{dot}} / P^3$$

$$10^{30} < \dot{E} < 5 \times 10^{38} \text{ erg/s}$$

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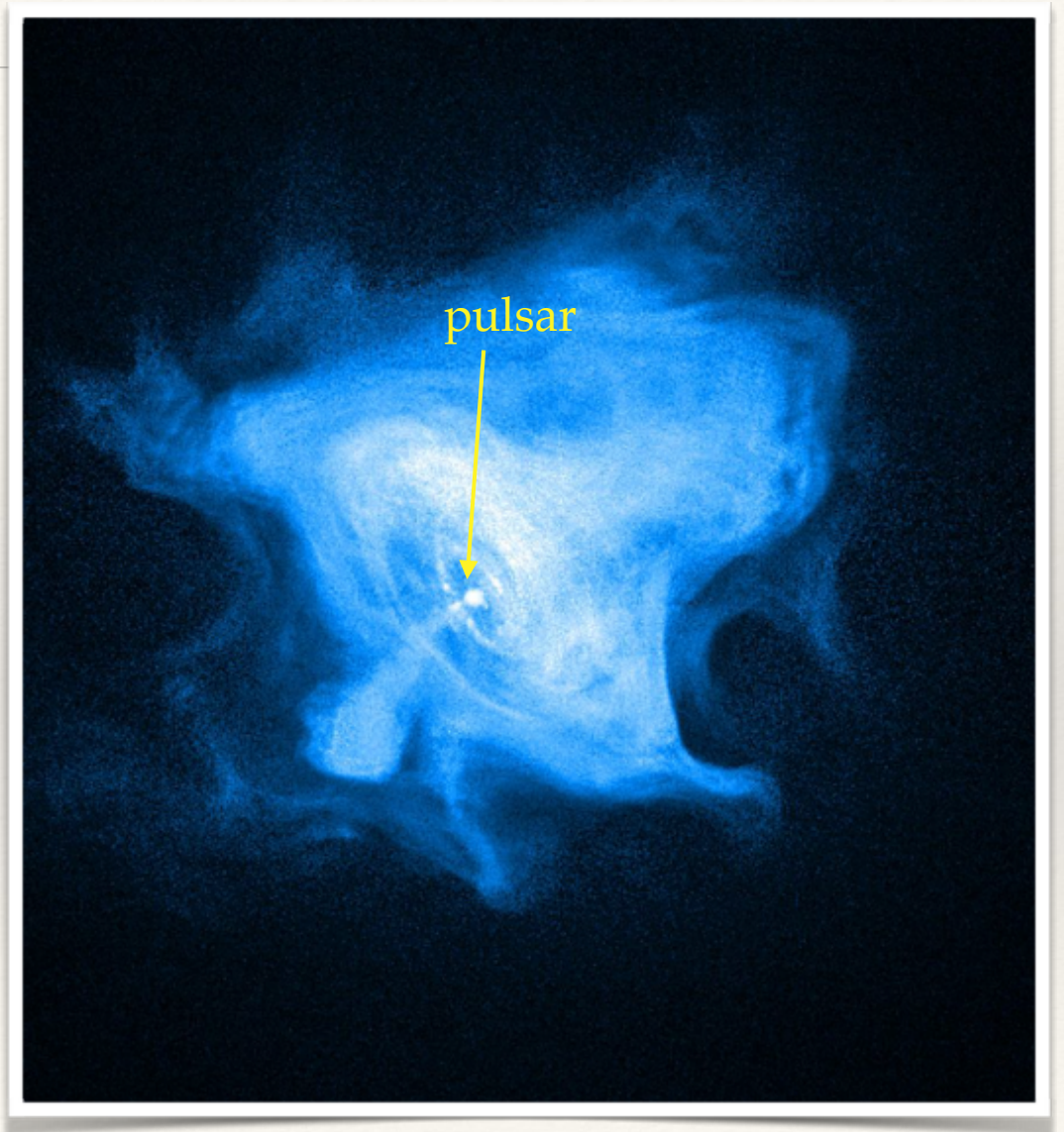
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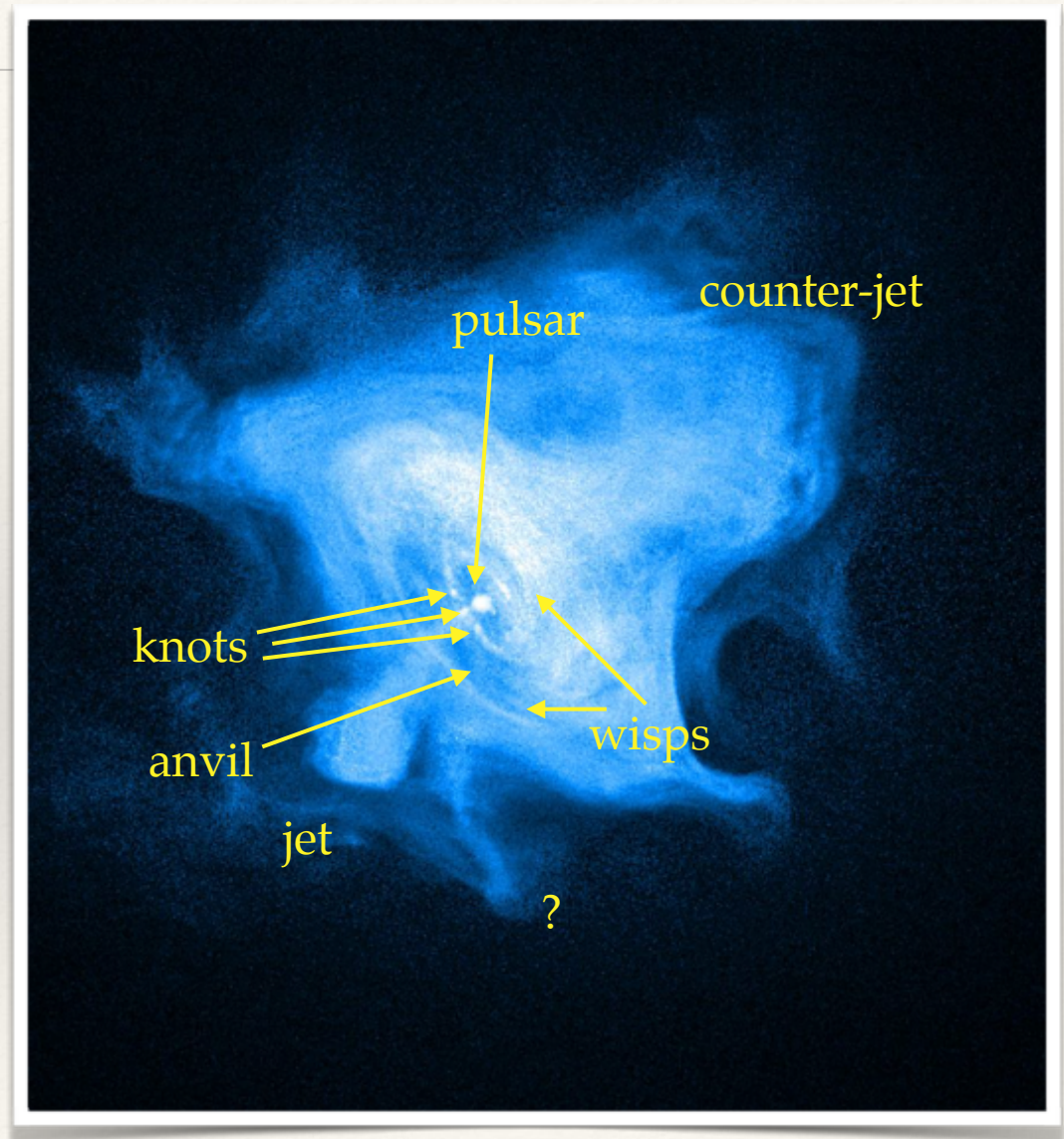


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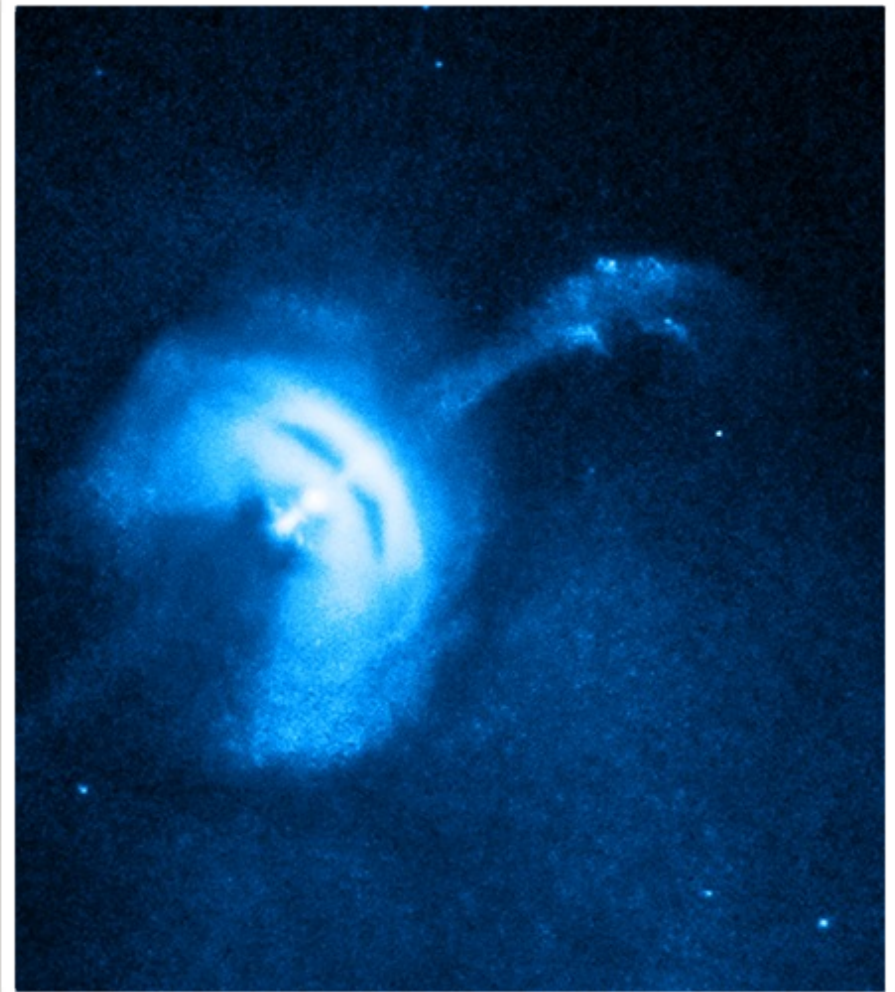
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Durant et al. 2013 ApJ 763, 2

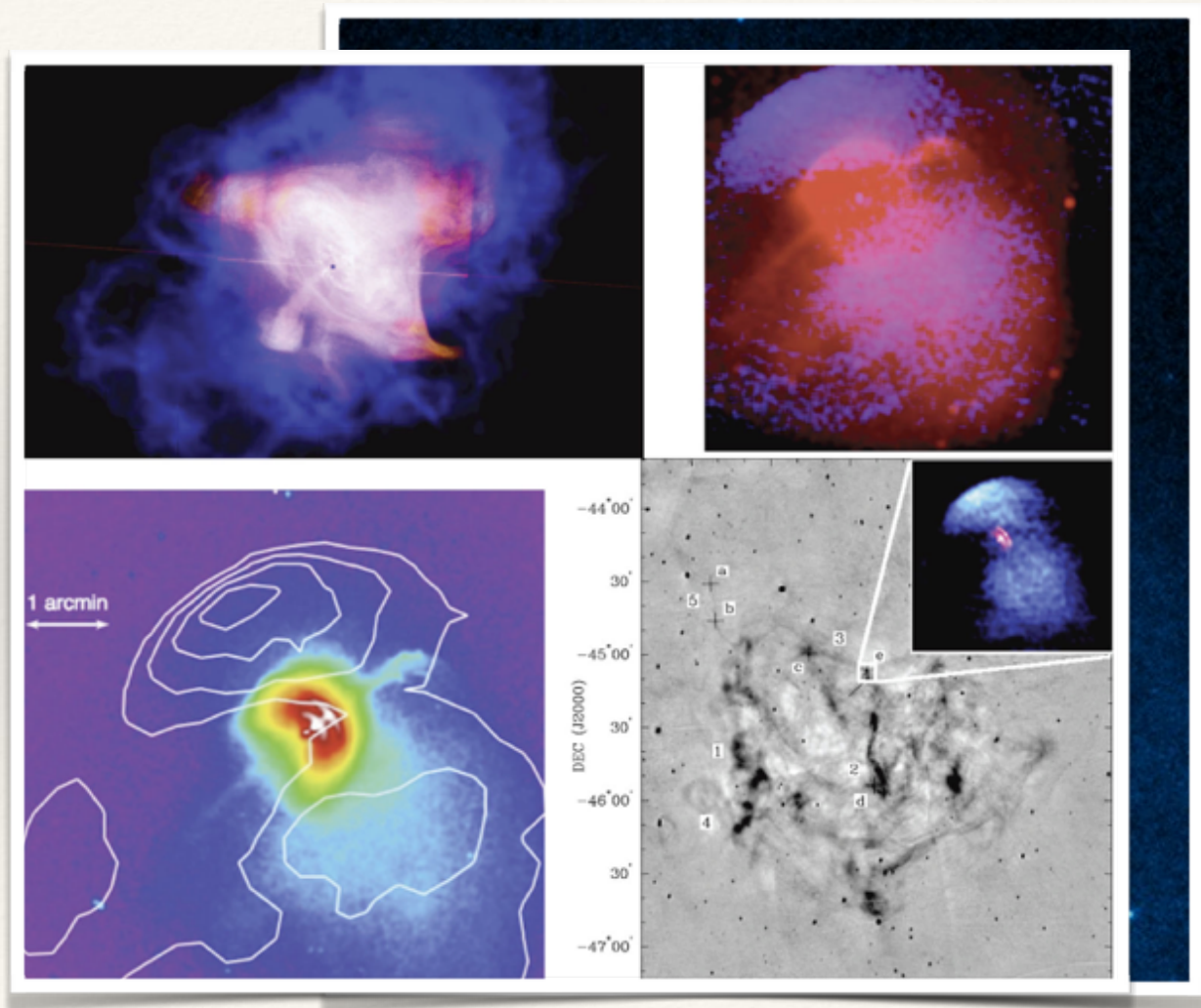


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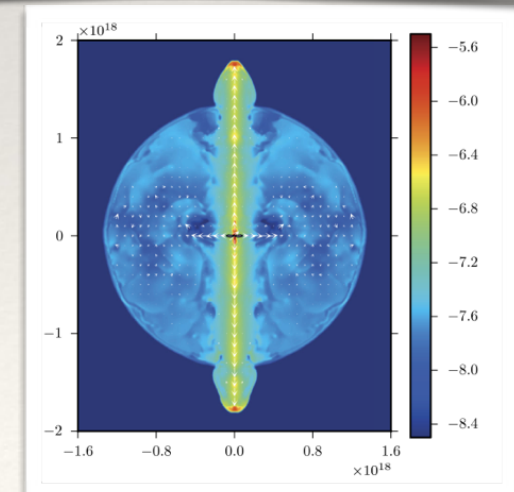
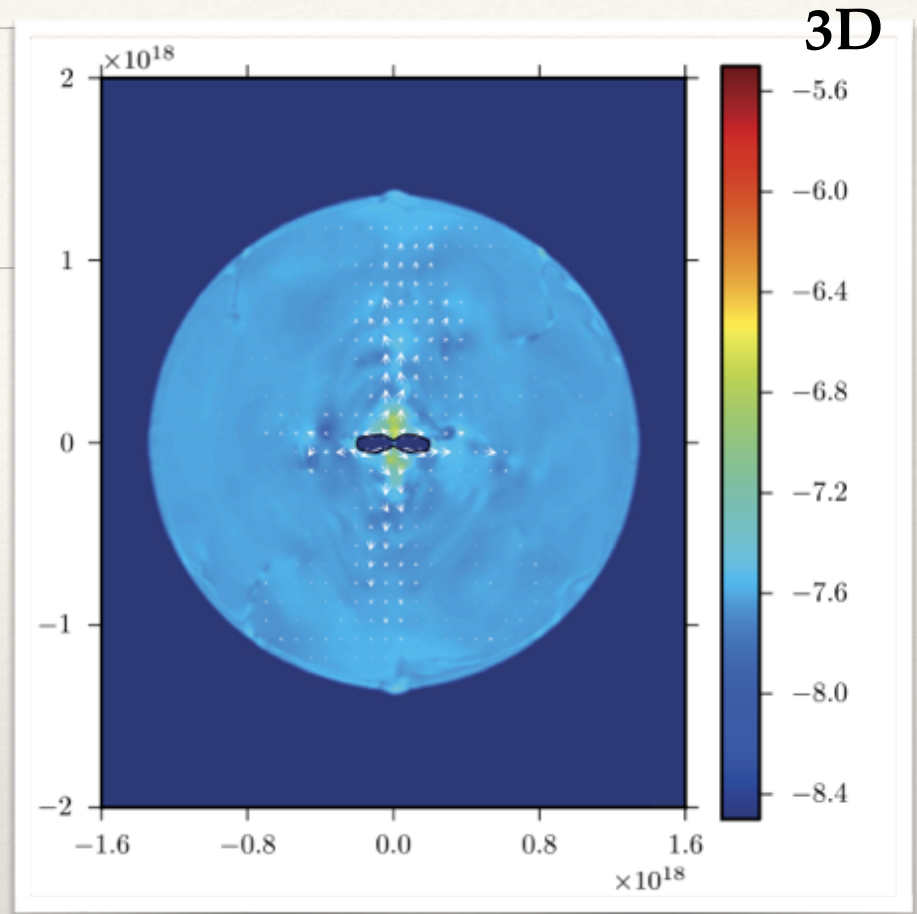
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- ❖ angle between B field and spin axis
(or departures from simple dipole?)

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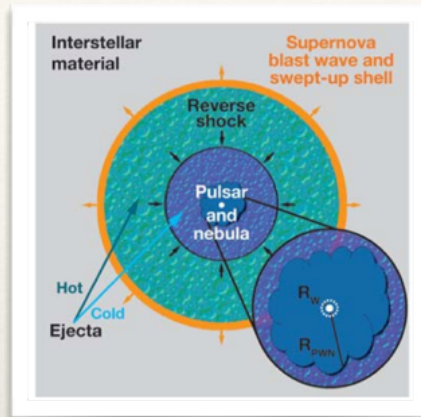
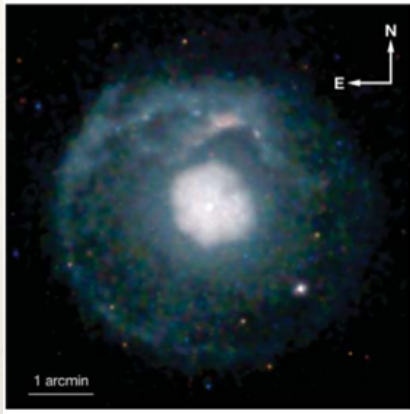
PSRs jets:

- ❖ jets would not be launched directly from the PSR, but rather from the wind
- ❖ magnetic hoop stresses in the highly magnetised wind, very close to the PSR polar axis: $E_B \rightarrow E_{\text{plasma}}$
- ❖ “jet” launching mechanism is quite inefficient
- ❖ still several unknowns!

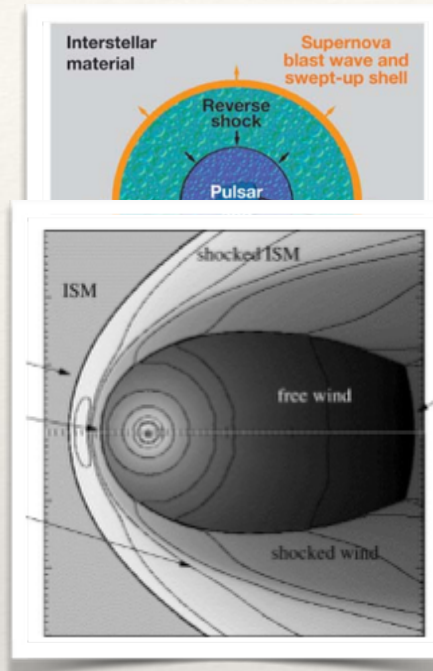
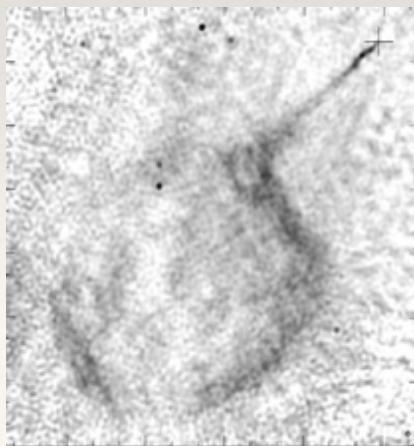
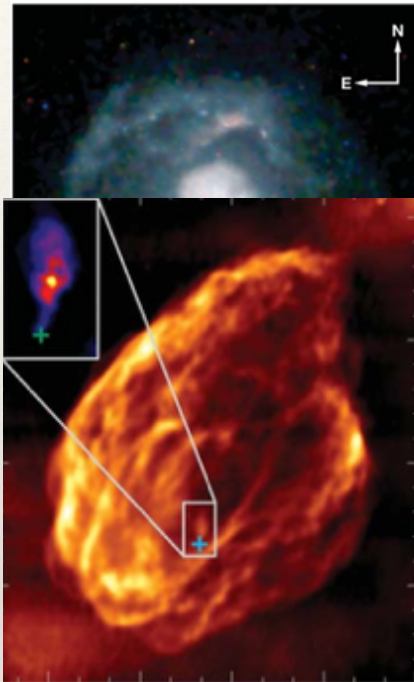
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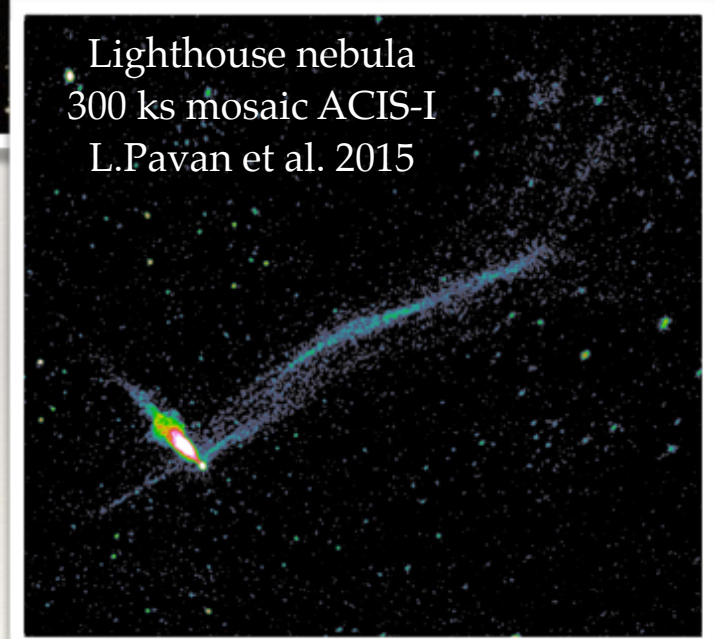
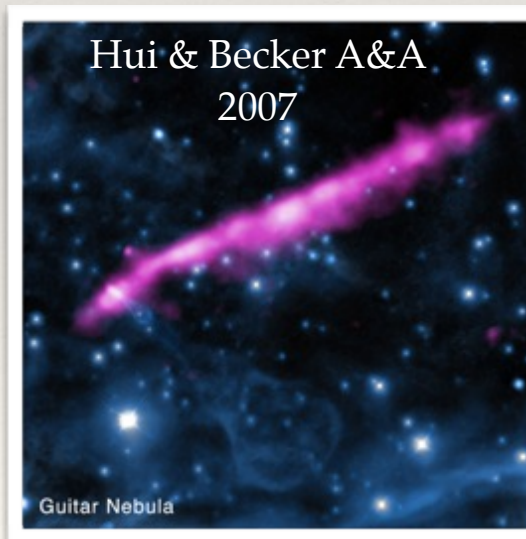
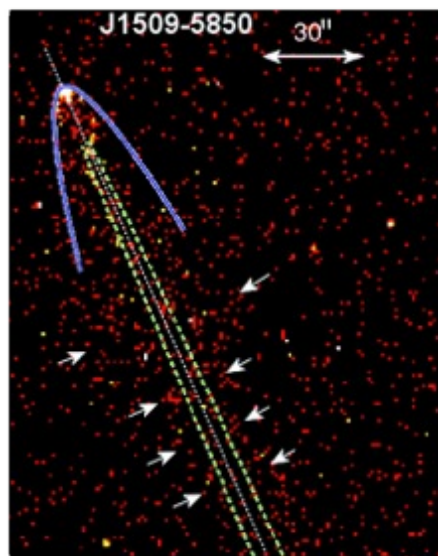
Bucciantini A&A 387, 1066 (2002)

$$\rho v_*^2 = \frac{\dot{E}}{4\pi cr_{bs}^2}$$

- ❖ H α due to collisional excitation and charge exchange at forward shock
- ❖ A pulsar will typically cross its SNR shell after $\sim 40,000$ years.
- ❖ If the SNR is still in the Sedov phase, the bow shock has a Mach number $M \approx 3.1$ at this point (van der Swaluw et al., 2003).

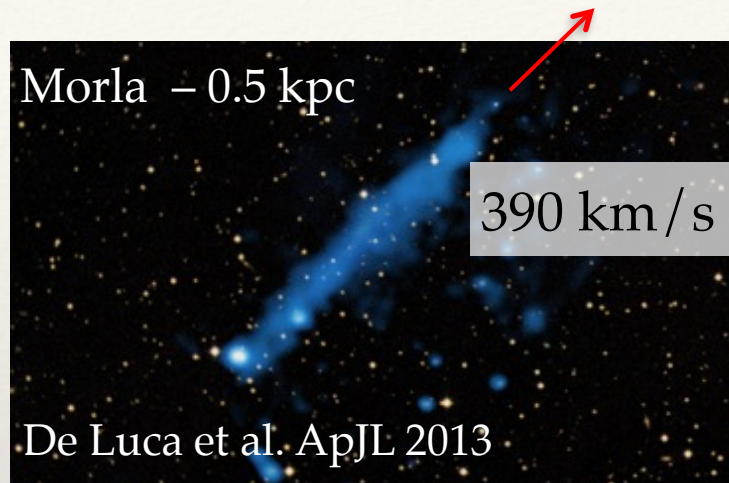
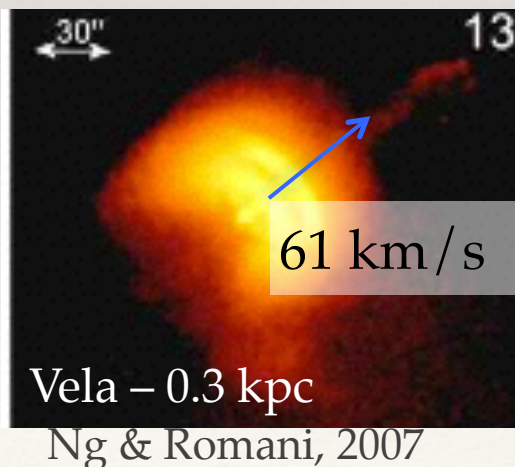
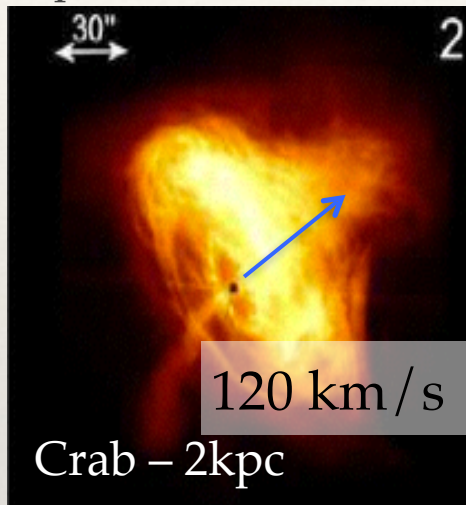
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Kargaltsev et al. ApJ 2008, 684 542



kick velocity- pulsar spin alignment

Kaplan et al. , 2008



Spruit & Phinney 1998 Nature 393, 139

Lai et al. , 2001 ApJ 549, 1111

Johnston et al. 2007 MNRAS 381, 1625

Noutsos et al. 2013 MNRAS 430, 2281

❖ kicks due to asymmetric core-collapse Snc (Janka, 2012 ARNPS 62, 407)

❖ correlation between velocity direction and spin axis

- hydrodynamical kicks

- asymm. neutrino emission

- electromagnetic rocket (postnatal kick)

❖ jets are on the spin axis (no equatorial jet)

❖ polarization data for 25 pulsars → P.A. of the linear polar. → P.A. of spin axis

❖ orthogonal pol. modes in the PSR radio emission: either // or ⊥

(Johnston et al. 2005, 2007)

extreme velocities...

... but how fast can they go?

- ❖ PSR B1508+55 → parallax: $v_{\text{PSR}} = 1083 \pm 100 \text{ km/s}$ (Chatterjee et al. 2005 ApJ, 630, L61)
- ❖ Guitar nebula: proper motion $V \sim 800 \text{ km/s}$ (Harrison, Lyne & Anderson 1993 MNRAS, 261, 113)
- ❖ Frying pan radio PSR : $v \sim 1000 \text{ km/s}$ (Ng et al. 2012)
- ❖ measures of PSRs de-projected vel: 10s—1000s km/s (Hobbs et al. 2005 MNRAS, 360, 974)
- ❖ are they producing a bow shock? yes!

but not only! → Guitar, Lighthouse nebulae

beyond the separation torus/jet vs. bow-shock

- ❖ evidences for a counterjet (Guitar?, Lighthouse: sure!)
- ❖ what produces the jets?
 - ❖ new efficient launching mechanism?
 - ❖ collimation in the ISM? (but hardening with time in the Guitar...)

Johnson & Wang 2010 MNRAS 408, 1216

Hui & Wang 2012 ApJ 747, 74

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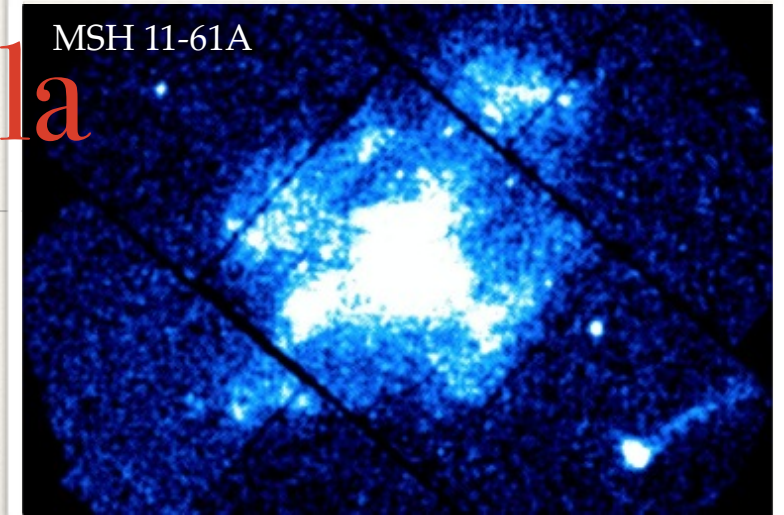
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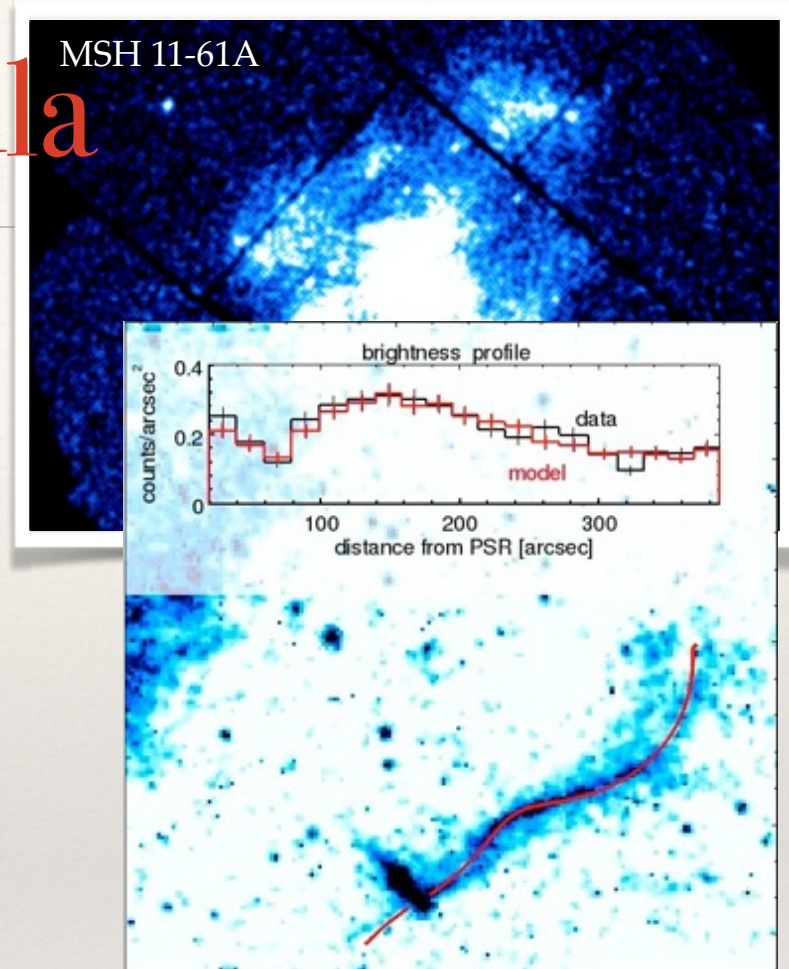
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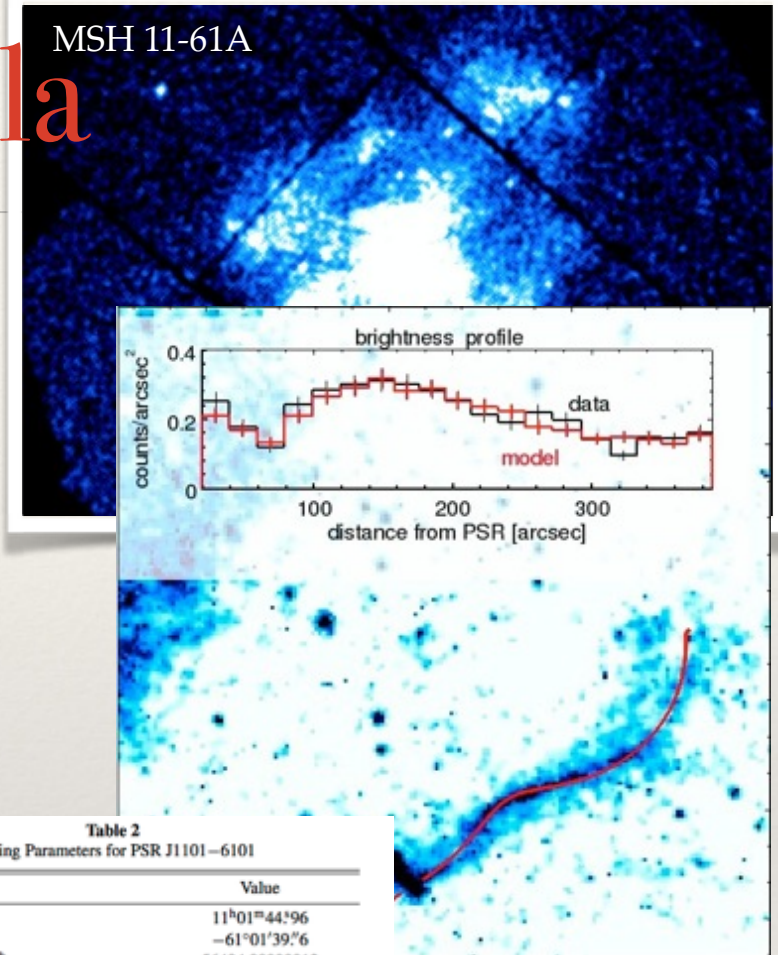


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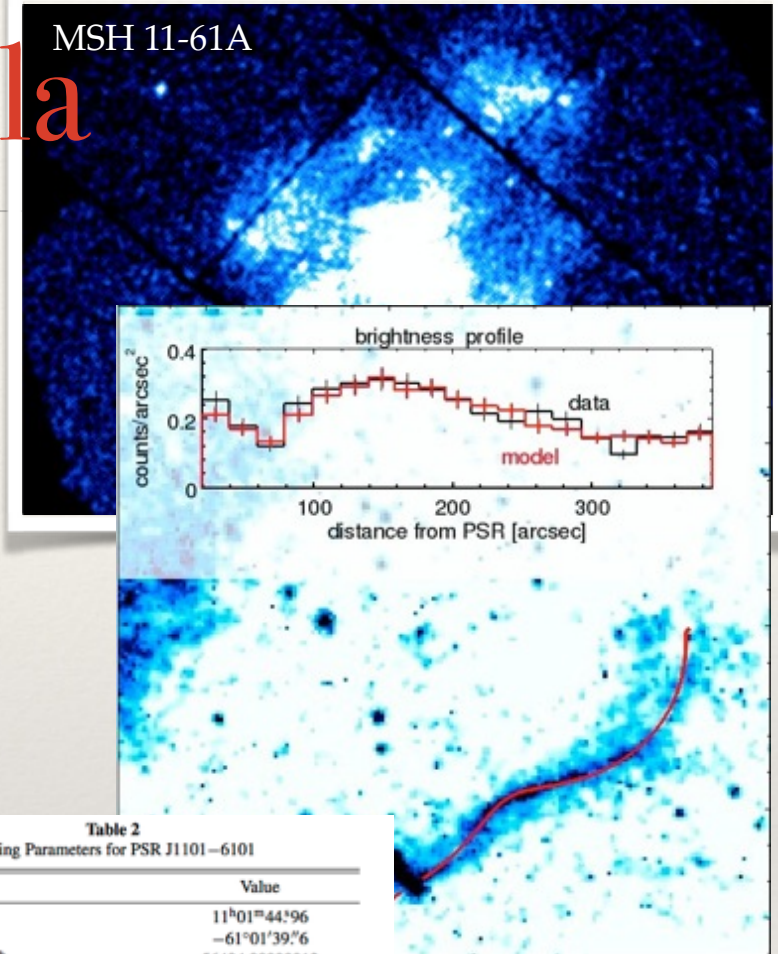
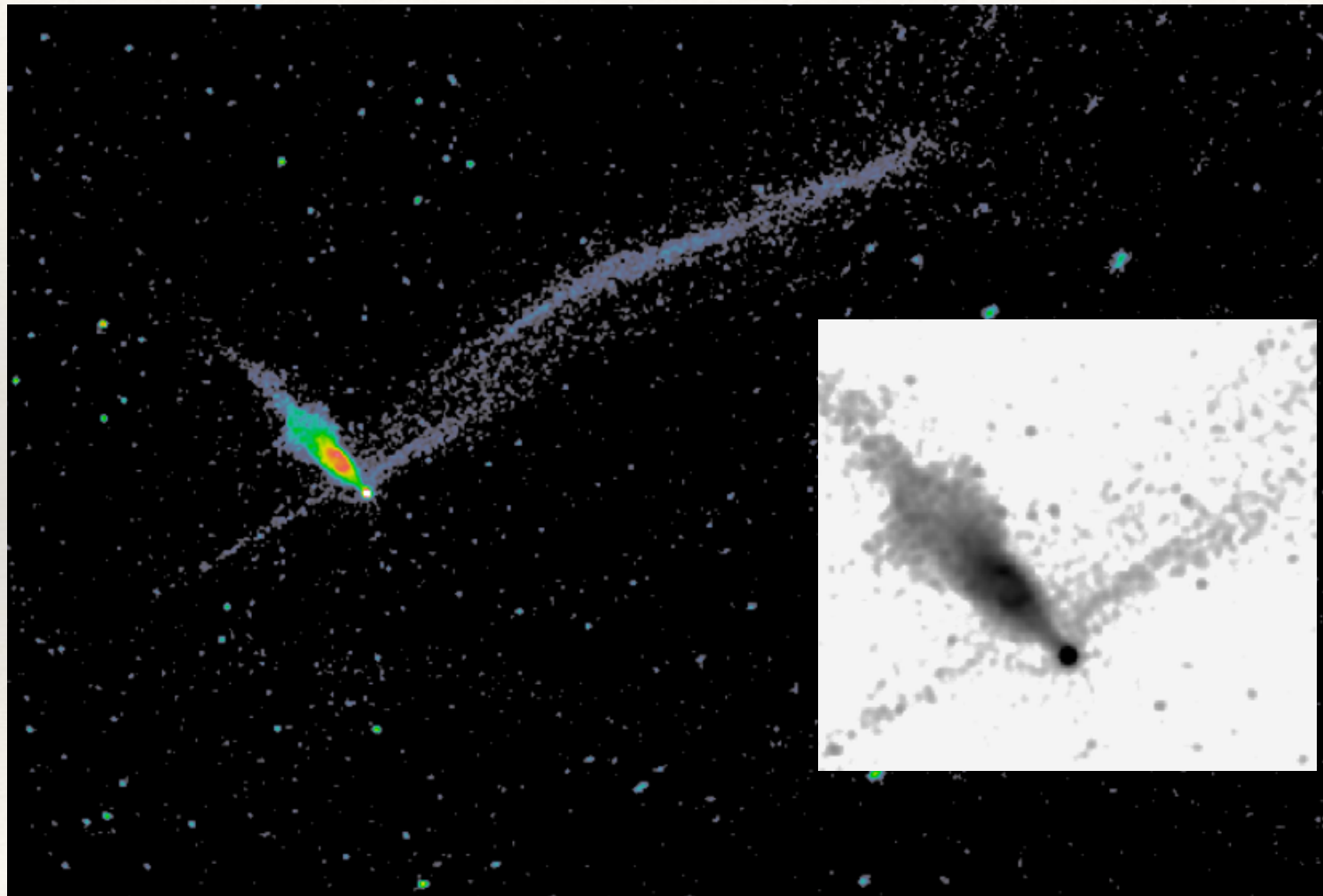


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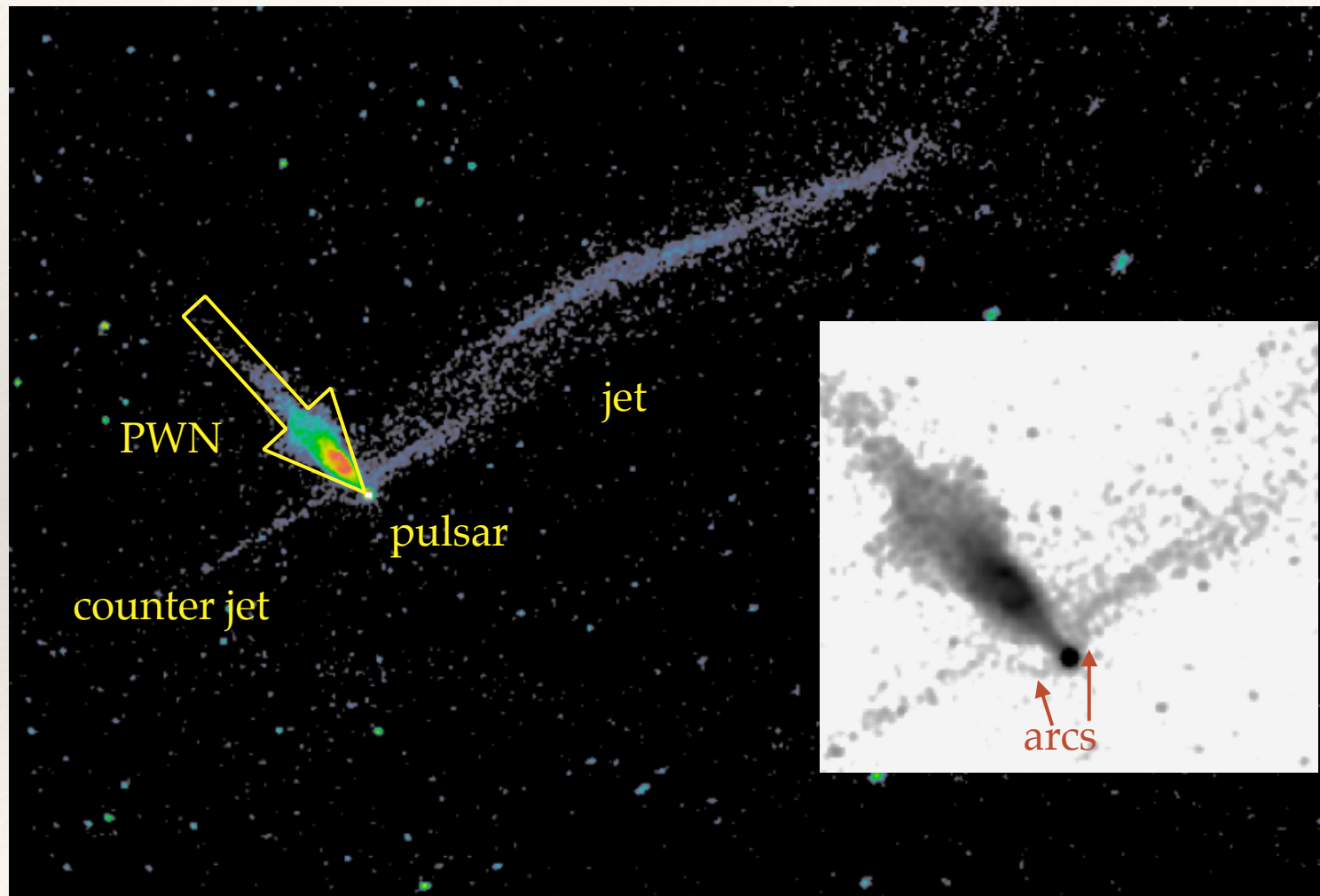
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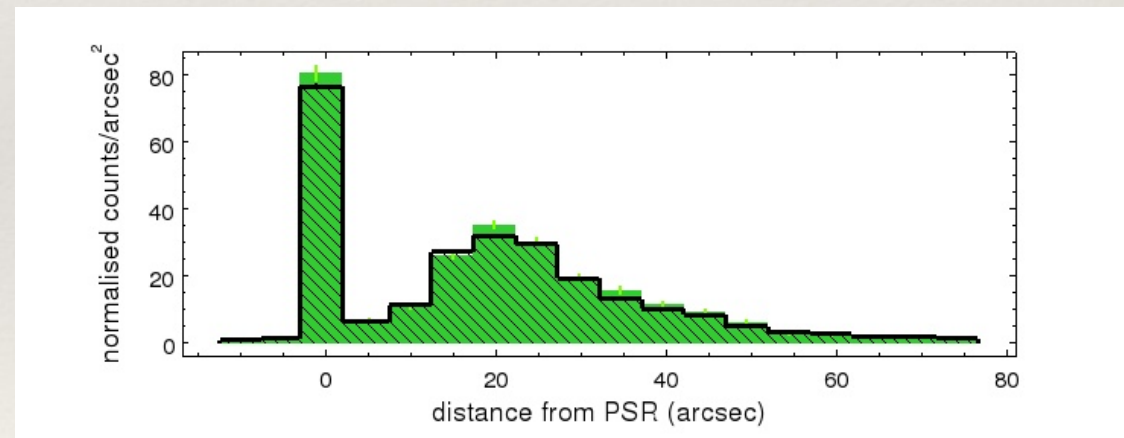
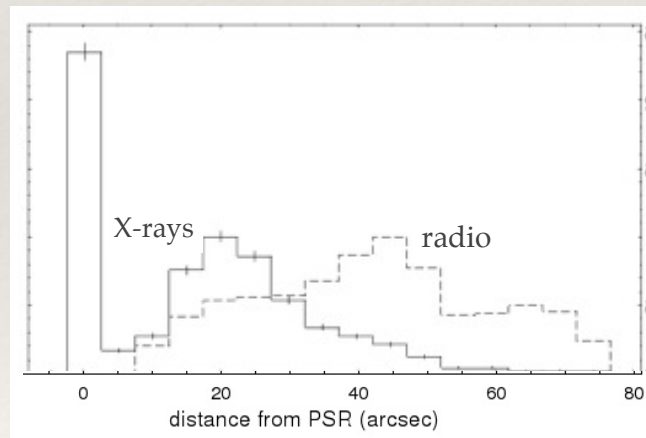
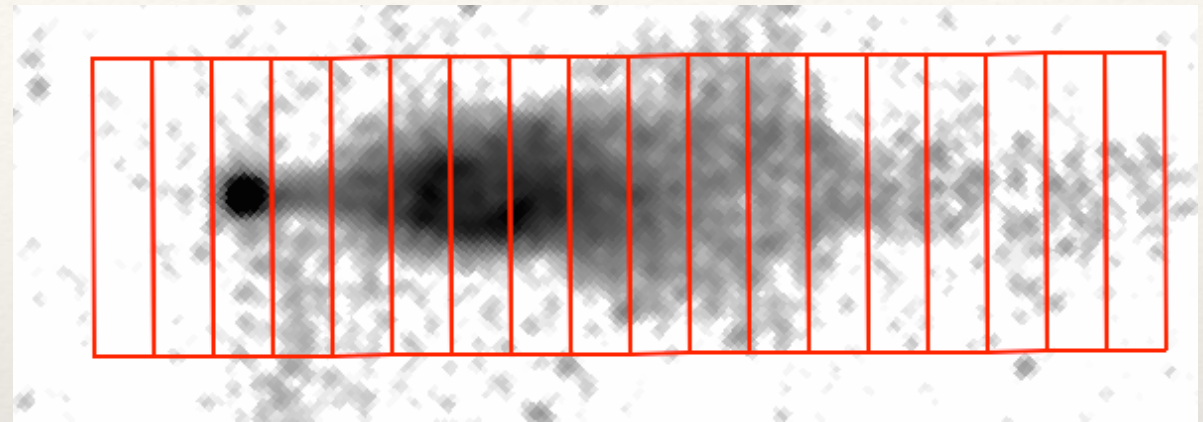
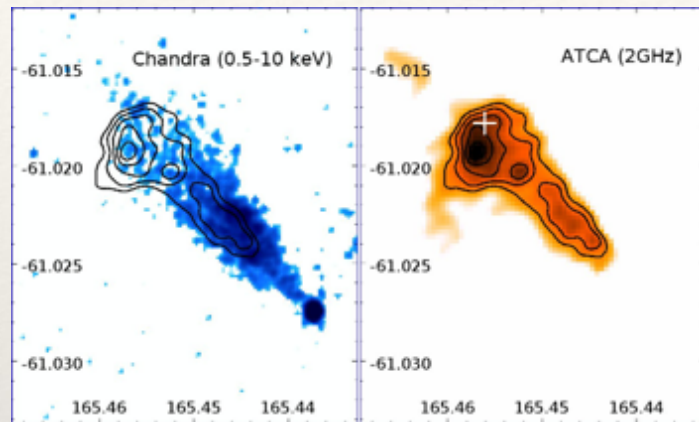
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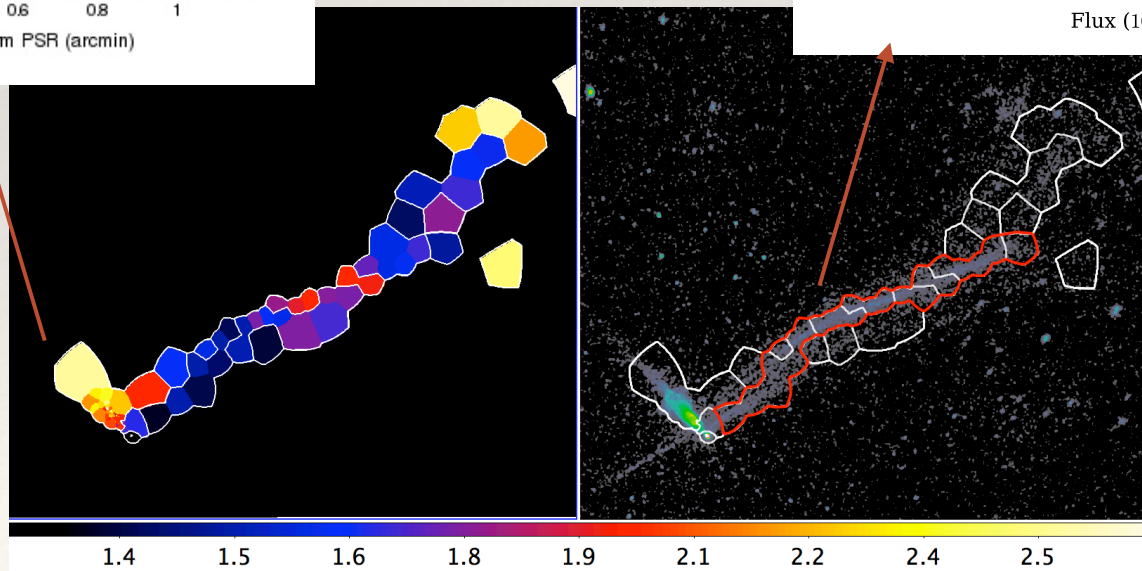
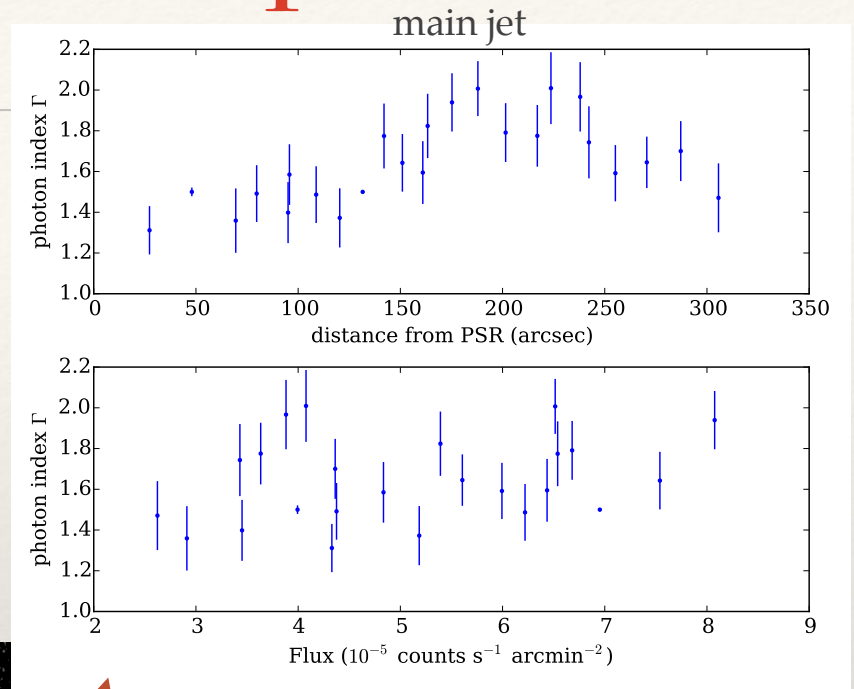
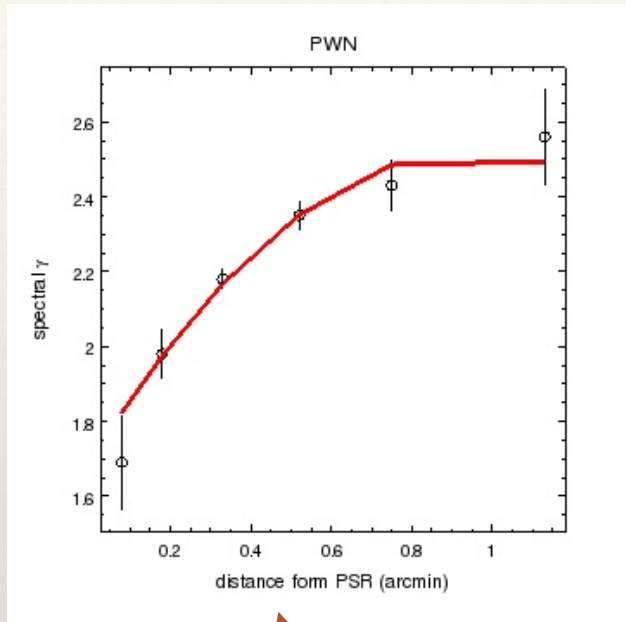
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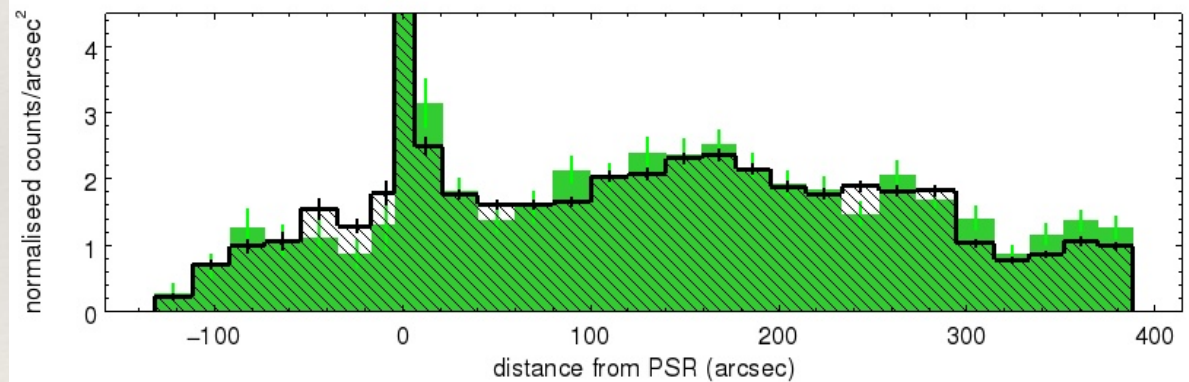
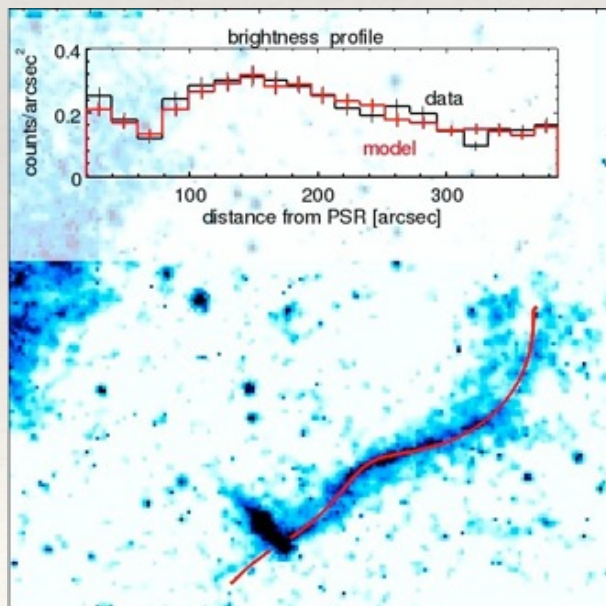
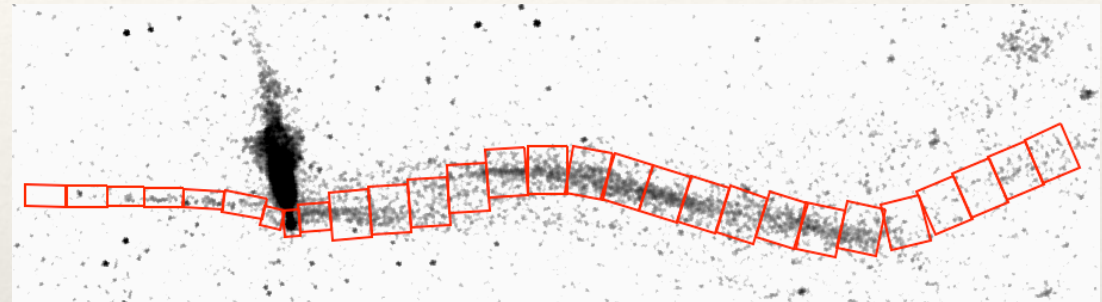
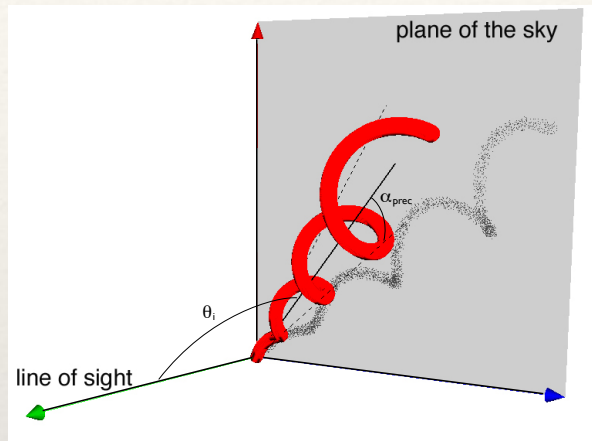
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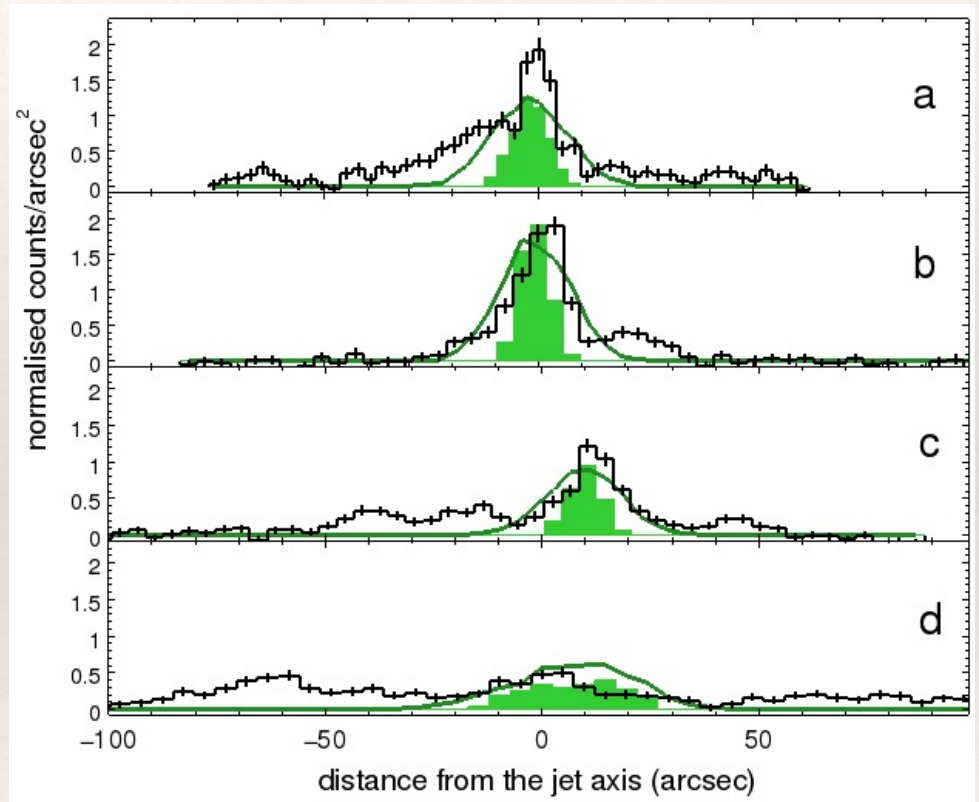
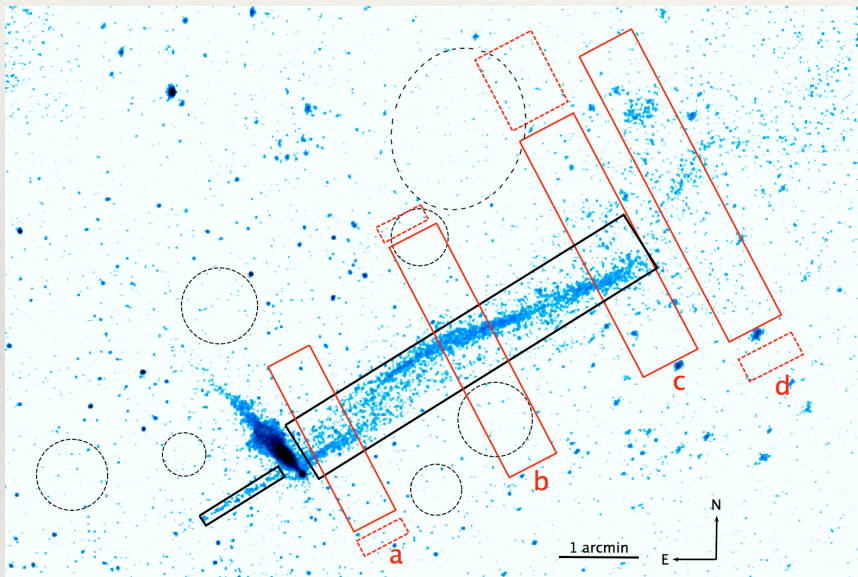
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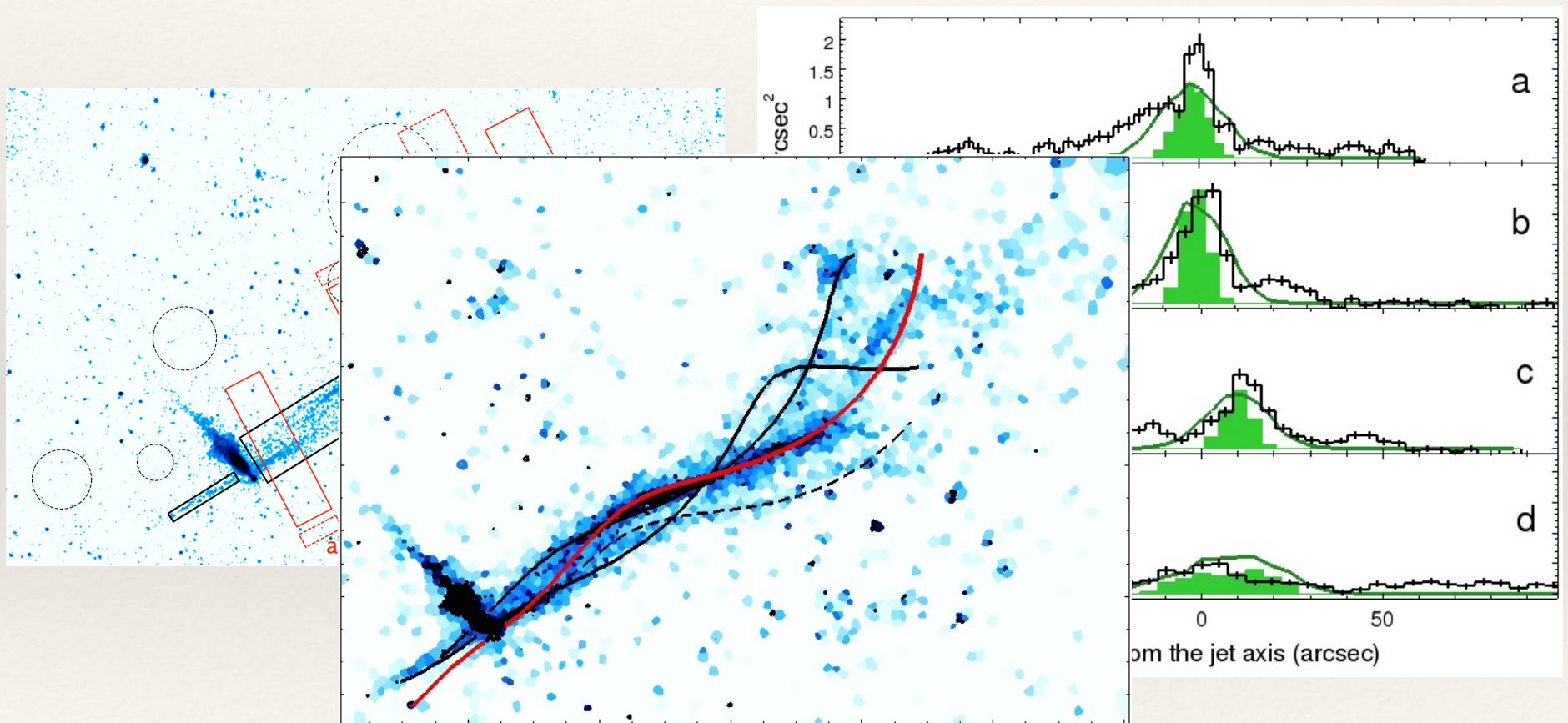
The jets: an helical structure?



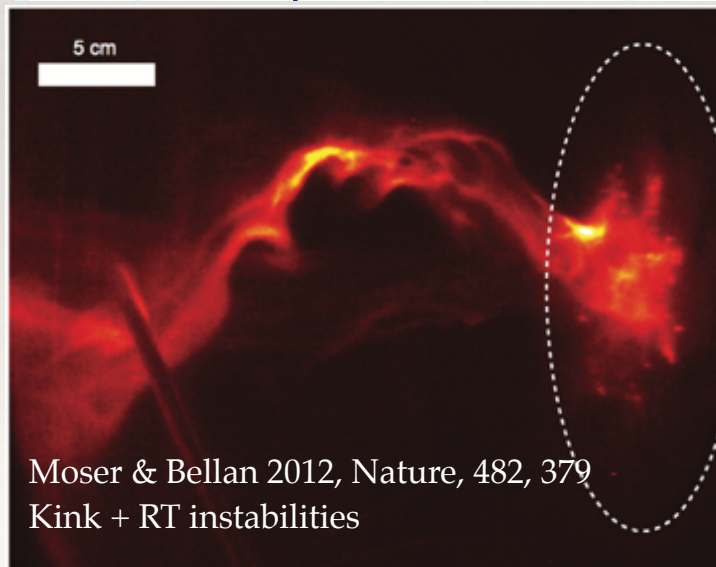
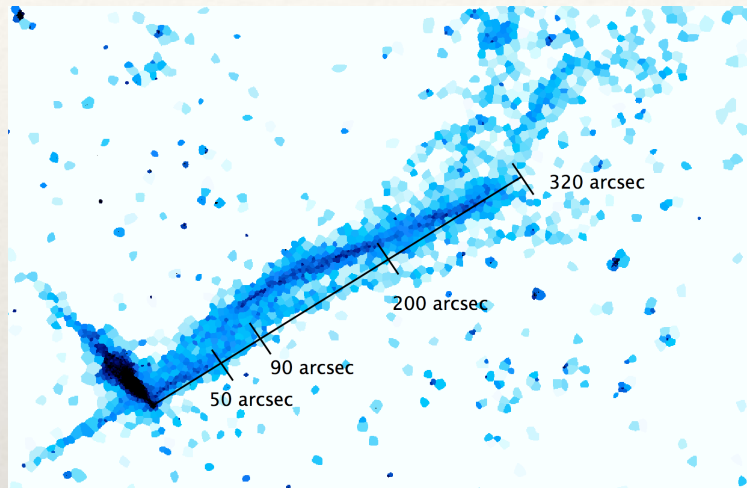
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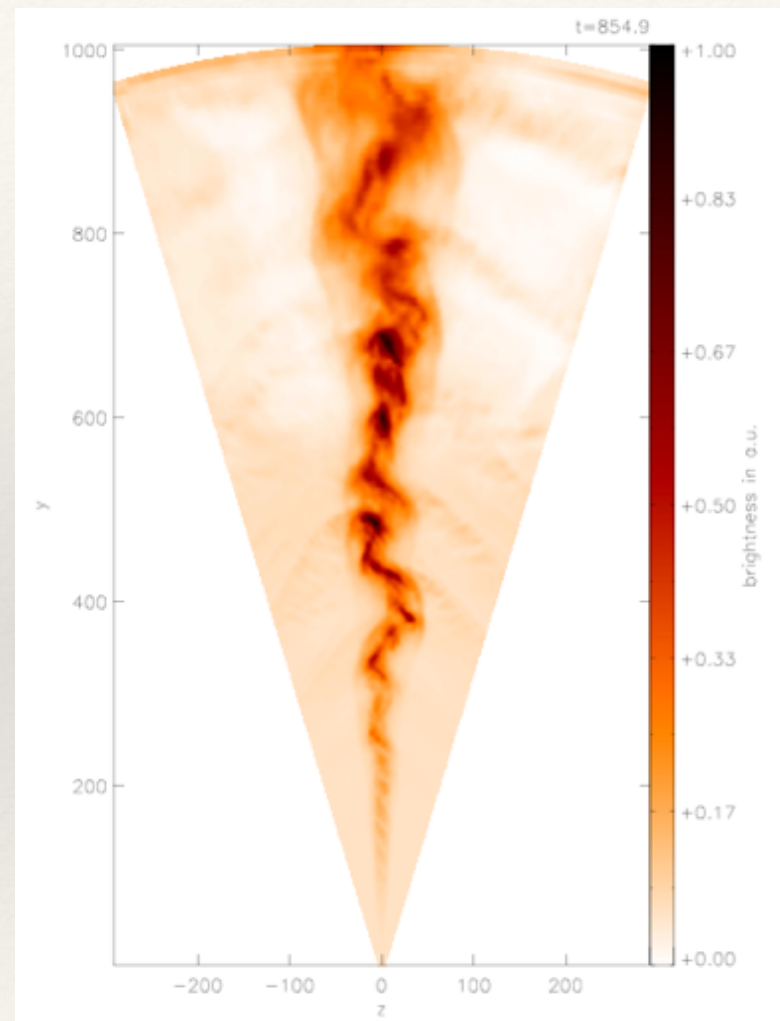
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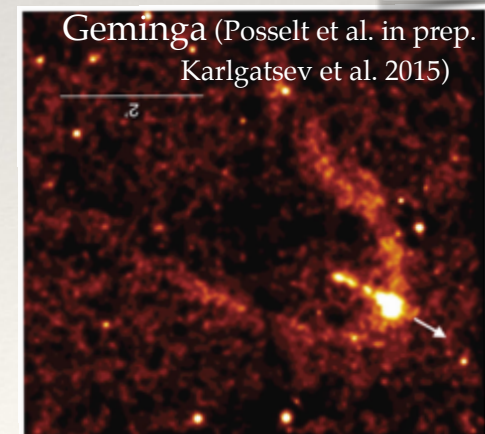
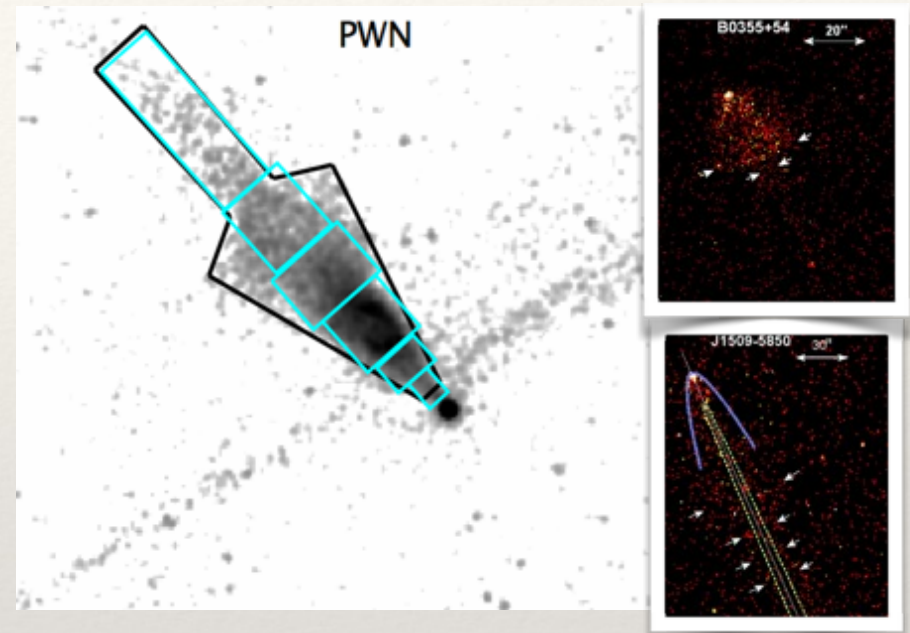
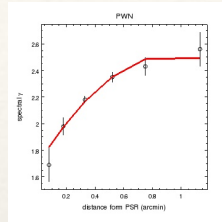
Moser & Bellan 2012, Nature, 482, 379
Kink + RT instabilities



R. Moll 2010 PhD thesis

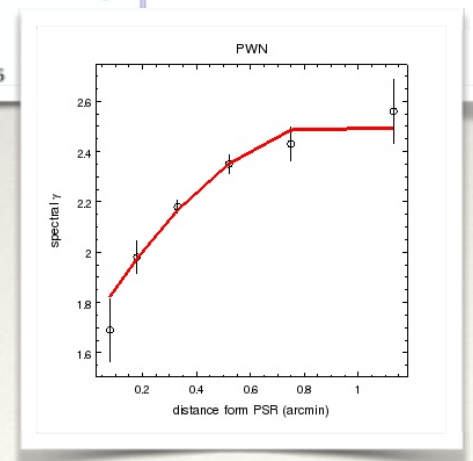
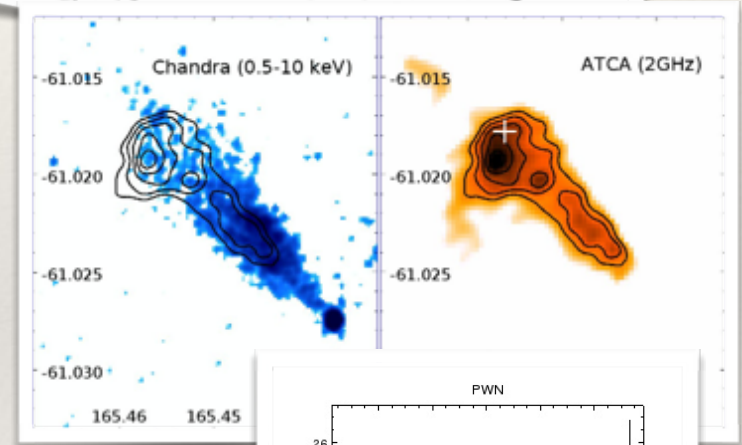
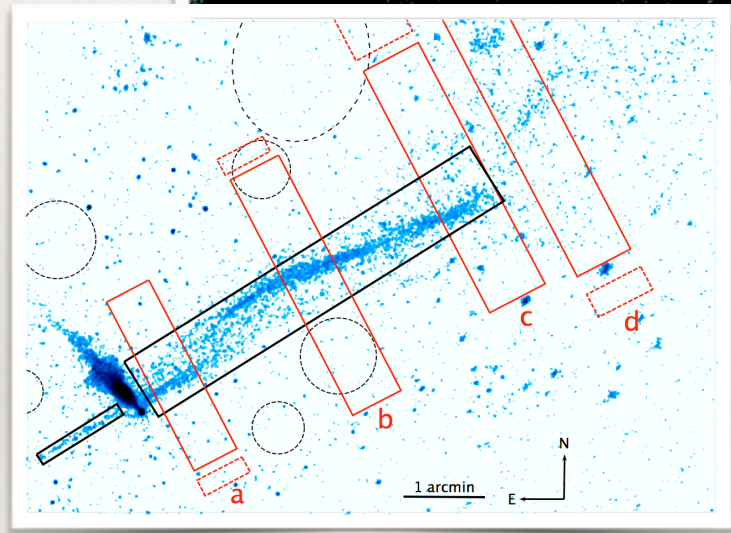
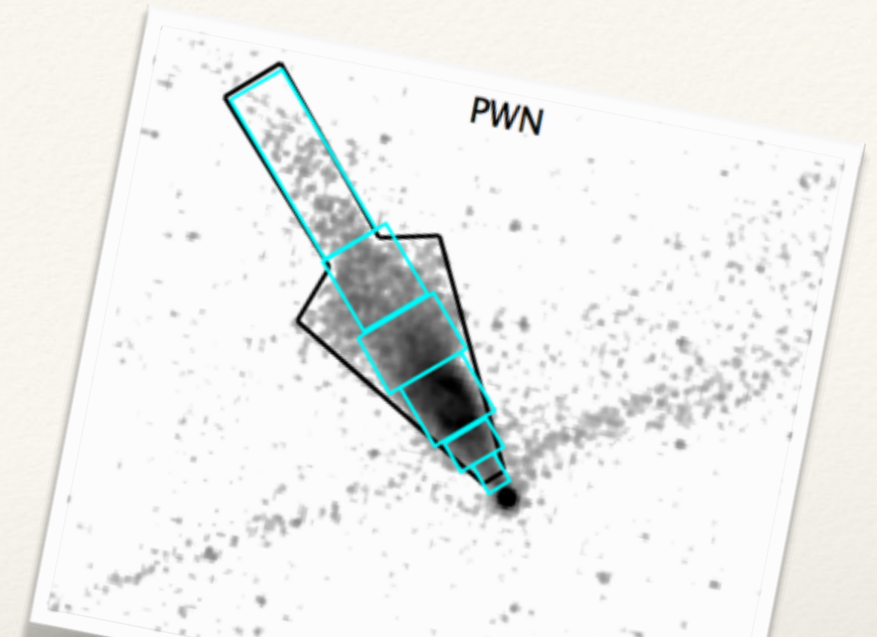
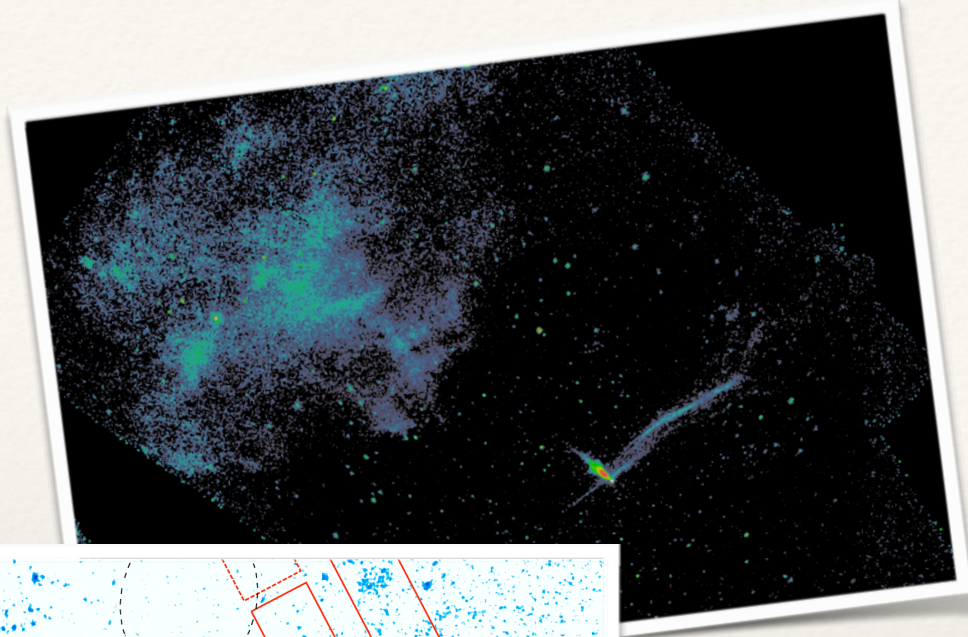
possible explanations...

- ❖ collimated PWN: cooling of particles
- ❖ a shaft? —> similar to Mushroom (PSR B0355+54), or PSR J1509-5850 nebulae
 - ❖ first hypothesis for those objects: a rear jet on top of the PWN —> here it is not possible!
 - ❖ different degree of (mag) collimation?
- ❖ arcs: similar to Geminga?



possible explanations...

- ❖ jet / counterjet : extremely powerful launching mechanism?
- ❖ extended emission around the jet
 - ❖ which mechanism?...



Thanks!

