

Multi-frequency study of GPS sources with RATAN-600

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Introduction

- GPS classification /multi-frequency monitoring.
- RATAN observations 2006-2021 and samples.
- radio properties GPS galaxies and quasars.
- PS sources at high redshifts.
- blazars with peaked spectrum.
- new GPS candidates. MPS sources.
- search tools (CATS, BLcat)

Initial SPS samples:

Gopal-Krishna, Patnaik, & Steppe (1983)

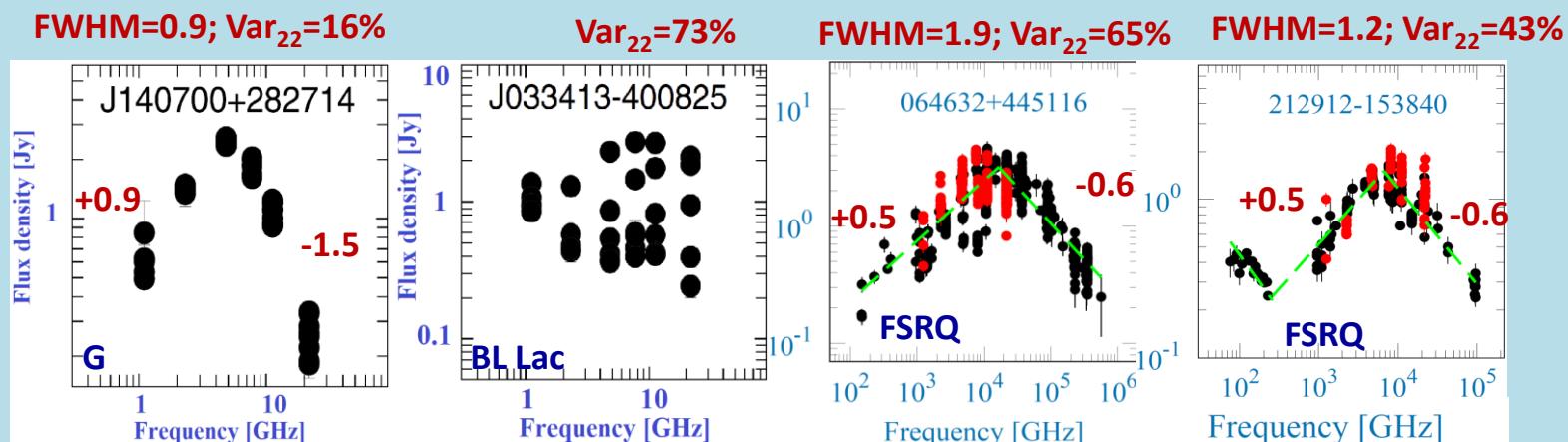
O'Dea et al., 1991

Stanghellini et al., 1998

Fanti et al., 2001

Dallacasa 2000, 2002

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RATAN-600, time scale is 2006-2010

$$V_S = \frac{(S_{\max} - \sigma_{S_{\max}}) - (S_{\min} + \sigma_{S_{\min}})}{(S_{\max} - \sigma_{S_{\max}}) + (S_{\min} + \sigma_{S_{\min}})}$$

RATAN-600 + CATS, 2017-2020

CATS: Astrophysical CATALOGS support System; www.sao.ru/cats/



Samples and observations 2006-2021

Sample 1

Targeted GPS list (122), 76 QSO, 29 G, 22 un. type
from Torniainen & Tornikoski (2003, 2005, 2007);
2006-2010

Sample 2

Complete GPS sample (457), 76 QSO, 29 G, 22 un. type.
 $S_5 \geq 200$ mJy
2011-2019

Comparison Samples 3-4

GPS in a complete QSO samples:
 $z \geq 3$; $S_{\text{NVSS}} \geq 100$ mJy (102, 48 blazars)
 $z \geq 4$; $S_{\text{NVSS}} \geq 20$ mJy (37, 11 blazars)
2017-2021

RATAN obs at
 1.2, 2.3, 4.7,
 7.7/8.2, 11.2
 and 22 GHz

2-4 times per
year

Goals:
 Radio continuum spectra
 Variability
 GPS classification
 New CSS/GPS/MPS candidates

- Sotnikova et al., 2021, The high redshift QSO catalogue
- Sotnikova et al., [2019AstBu..74..348S](#), [2019yCatp033007403S](#)
- Mingaliev et al., [2013AstBu..68..262M](#), [2013yCatp033006802M](#)
- Mingaliev et al., [2012A&A...544A..25M](#), [2012yCat..35440025M](#)



RATAN-600 SAO RAS

- 600 m multi-elements variable profile antenna
- simultaneous radio spectra at 1-22 GHz
- Declination range is -40° ÷ +90°

f_0 (GHz)	Δf_0 (GHz)	ΔF (mJy/beam)	HPBW _x sec	AR arcsec
22.3	2.5	70	1.0	11
11.2	1.4	20	1.4	16
8.2	1.0	25	2.0	22
4.7	0.6	5	3.2	36
2.25	0.08	40	7.2	80
1.28	0.06	175	15.4	170

f_0 (GHz)	Δf_0 (GHz)	ΔF (mJy/beam)	HPBW _x sec	AR arcsec
22.3	2.5	88	1.5	16.5
11.2	1.0	20	2.0	25
4.7	0.6	11	4.8	50

f_0 – central frequency;

Δf_0 - bandwidth;

ΔF – sensitivity (mJy/beam);

BW is the width of the diagram at average elevations;

AR – is angular resolution (for DEC=0°).

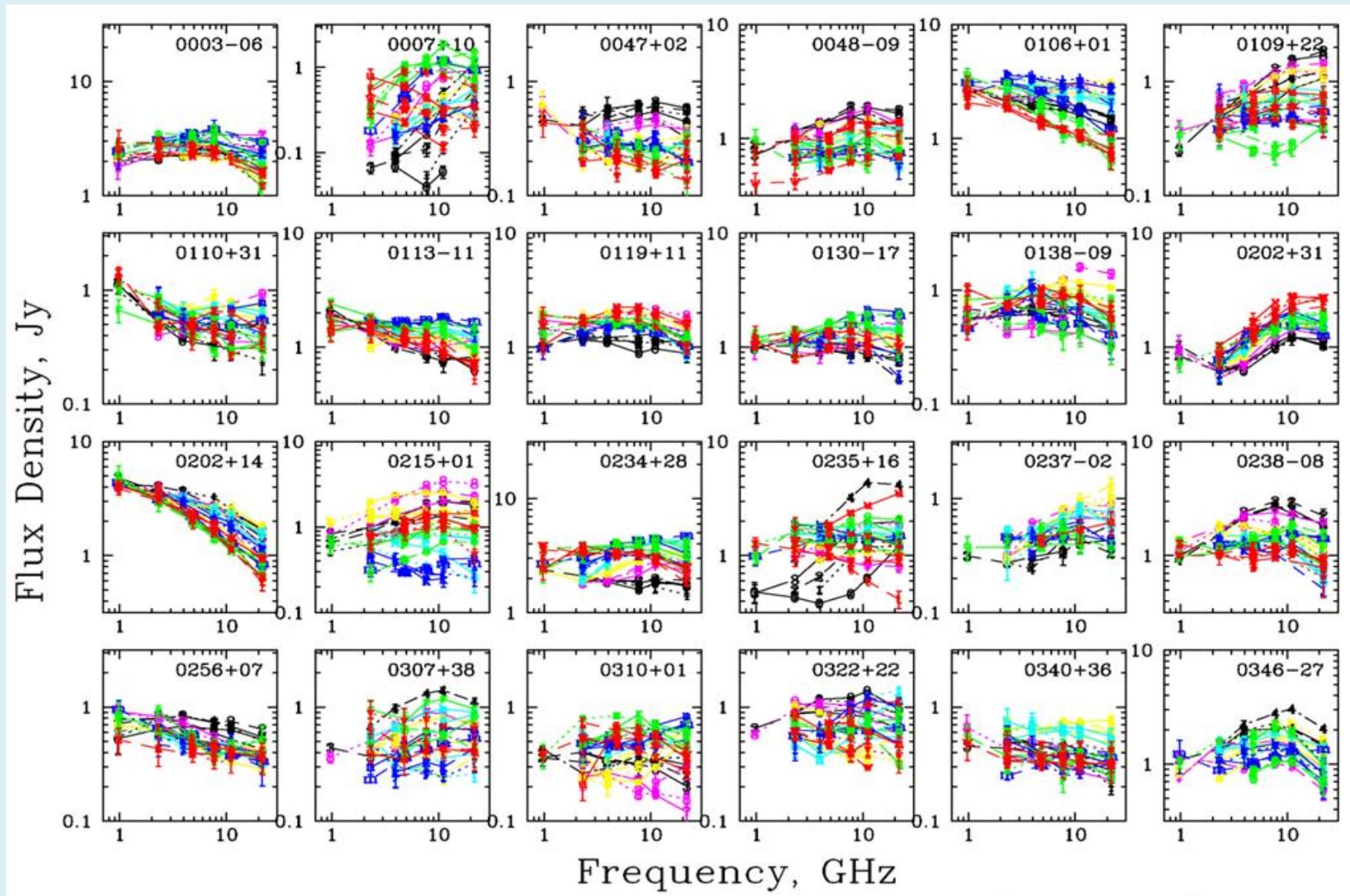


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Quasi-simultaneous radio spectra

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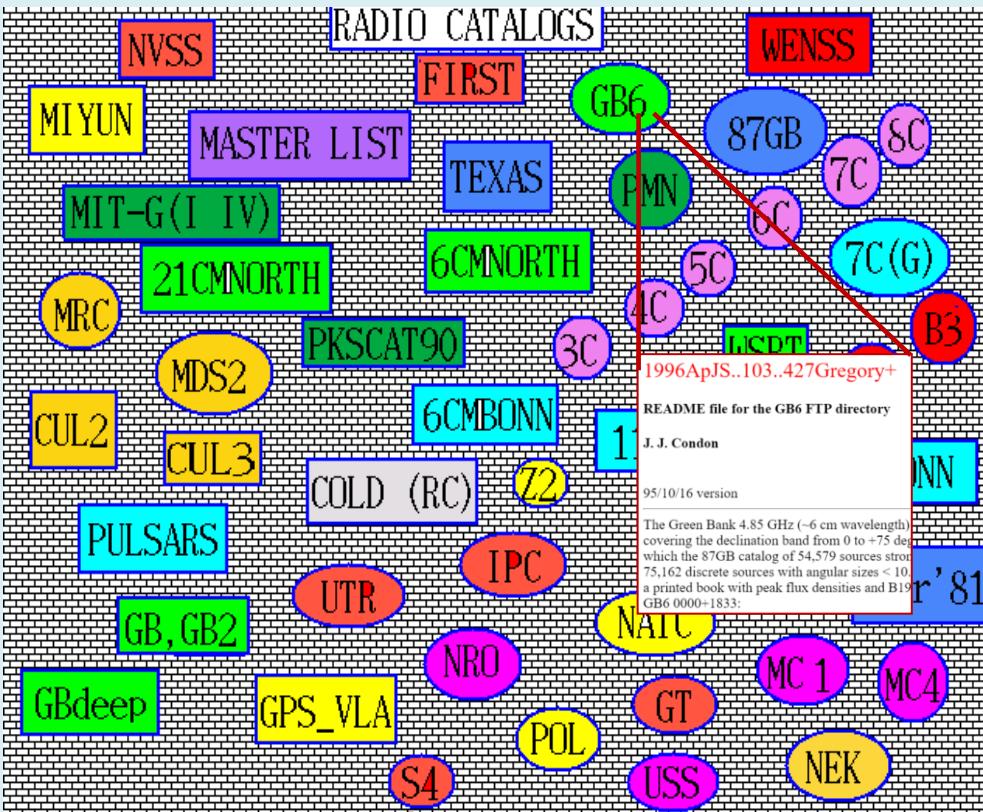


Kovalev et al., RATAN observations

Search tool: the CATS Database

Astrophysical **CAT**alogs support System

www.sao.ru/cats/



literature data		
GLEAM	MRC	VCS
VLSS	NAIC	KOV97
TGSS	GPSDa	NCPMi
TXS	GPSTi	GPSRa
Kuehr	GPSSt	SRCAT
PKS90	NVSS	SRCKi
WENSS	QORG	WMAP
MIYUN	MSL	VLAC
WISH	PKSFL	VLASS

Cross identification of the catalogs; find measurements; construct the spectra; calculate fluxes, spectral indexes and variability at different frequencies; building the average continuum radio spectra.

- radio catalogues;
- ~630;
- descriptions, software, graphics.

(Verkhodanov et al., 1997, 2005, 2009)



GPS classification

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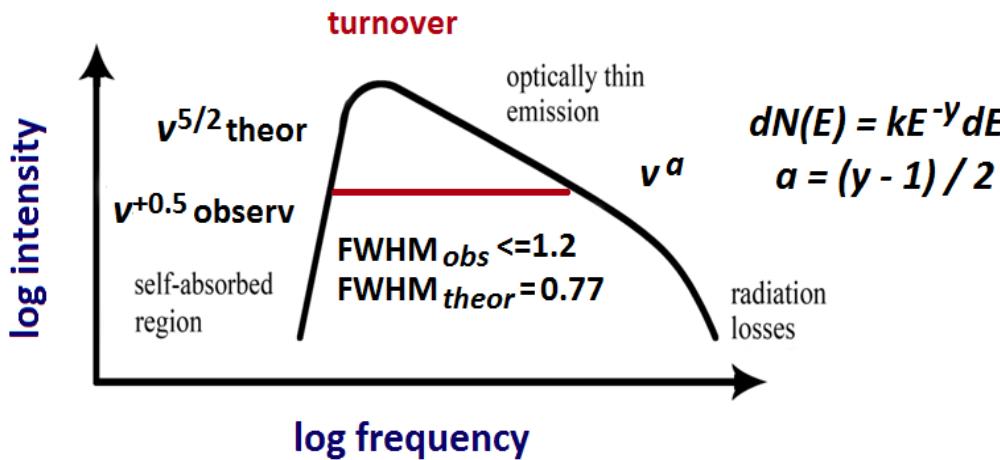
Sample 1	PS	GPS	%
122	122	48	40
Sample 2	PS	GPS	%
~5000	467	112	2
Sample 3	PS	GPS	%
102	47	17	17
Sample 4	PS	GPS	%
37	16	6	16

Criteria of canonical GPS adopted from de Vries et al., (1997). The value of FWHM is taken from O'Dea et al., (1991).

α_{below}	α_{above}	$\text{Var}_{\text{radio}}$	FWHM
0.5	-0.7	≤ 0.25	≤ 1.2

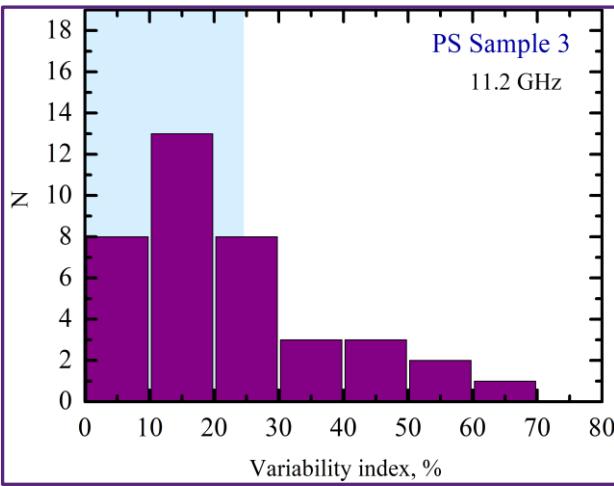
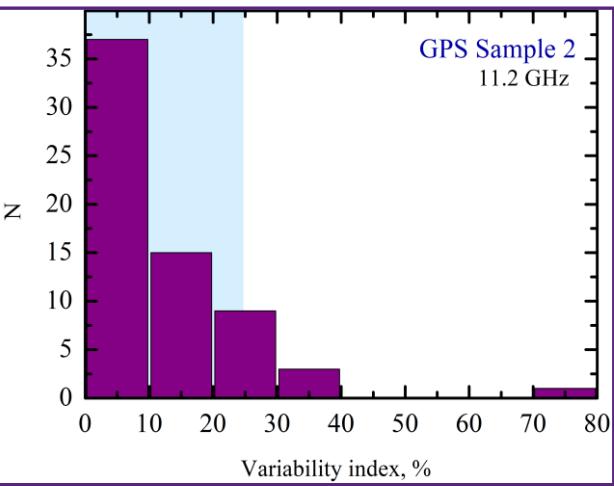
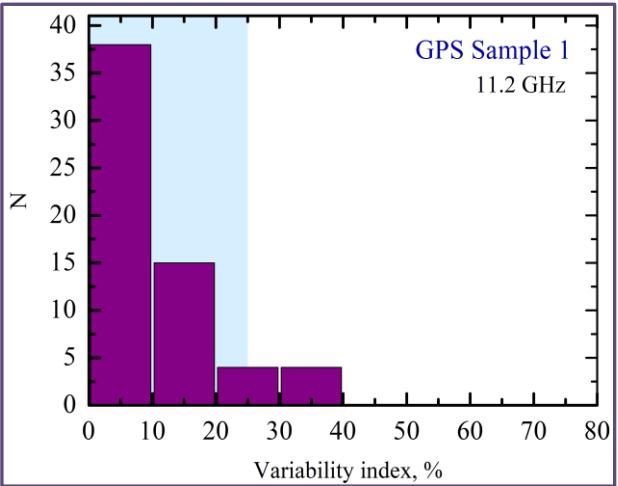
$$S \sim v^\alpha, \quad V_S = \frac{(S_{\max} - \sigma_{S_{\max}}) - (S_{\min} + \sigma_{S_{\min}})}{(S_{\max} - \sigma_{S_{\max}}) + (S_{\min} + \sigma_{S_{\min}})}$$

$$M = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (S_i - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N S_i)^2}}{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N S_i}$$





Variability

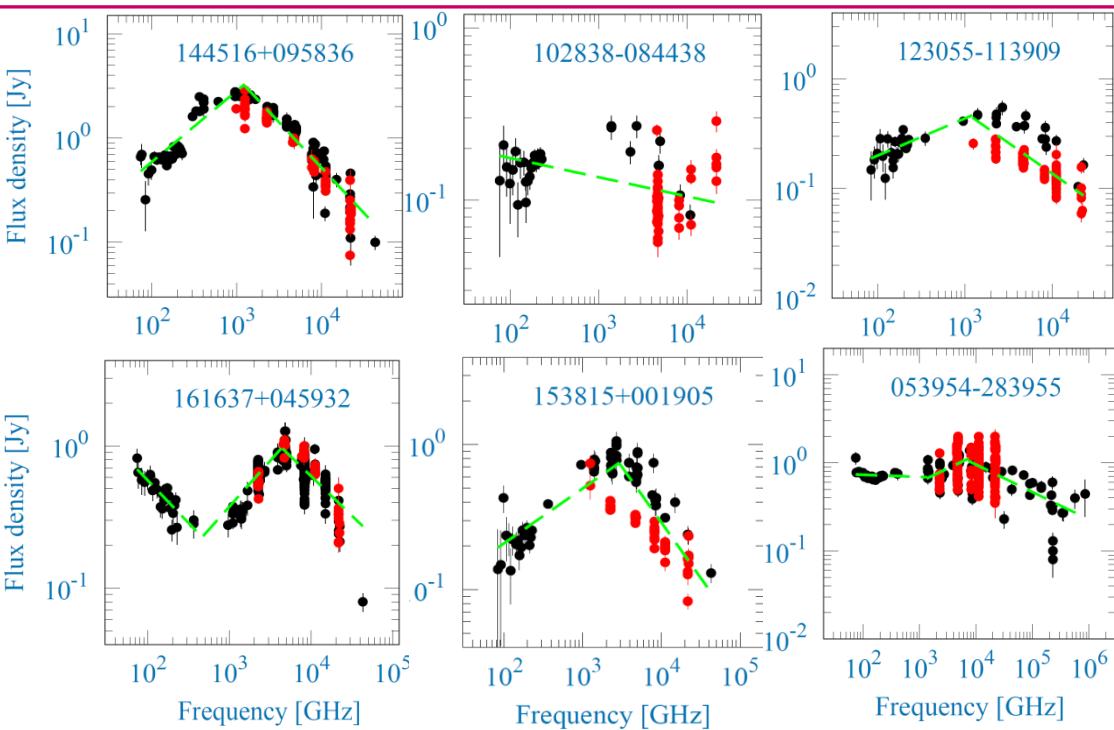


Sample	Var _{11.2} , %		Time period, years
	G	QSO	
1	5%	11%	5
2	8%	14%	12
3	-	23%	4

Sample 3, QSO, $z \geq 3$

The objects have not been studied for enough time to discard blazars.

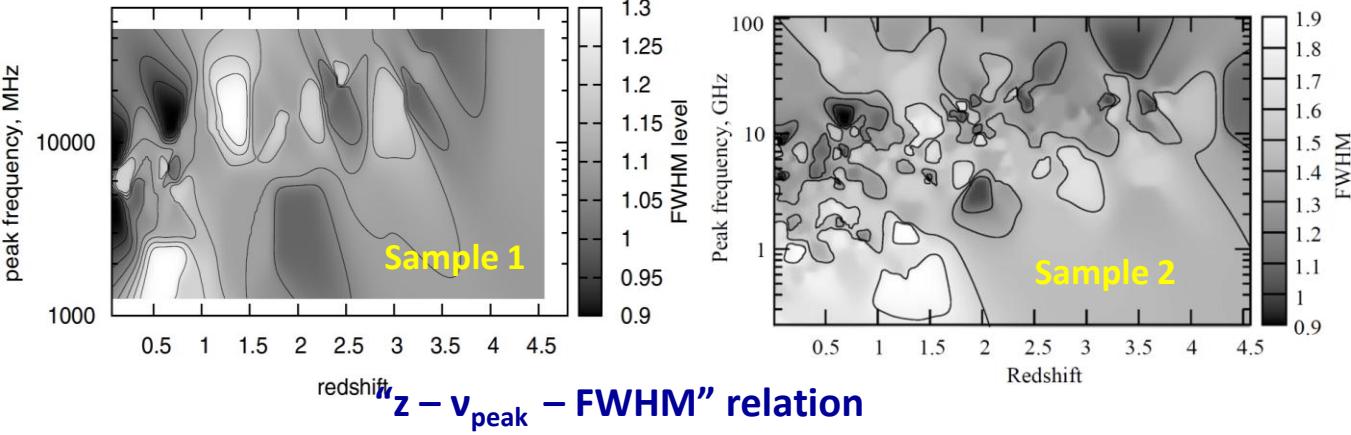
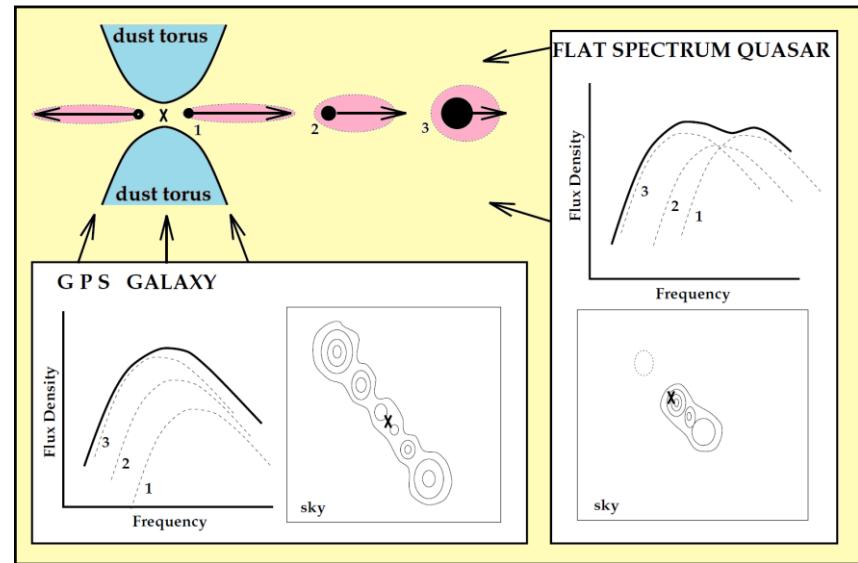
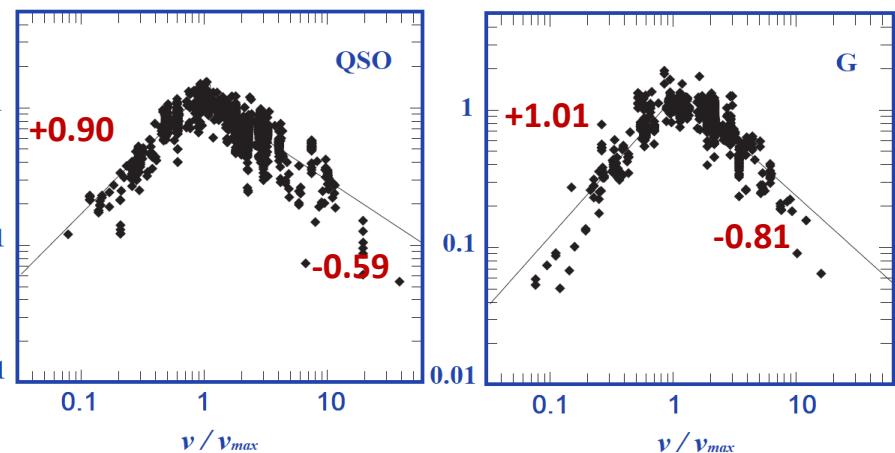
Sotnikova et al., 2021, MNRAS





GPS galaxies and quasars

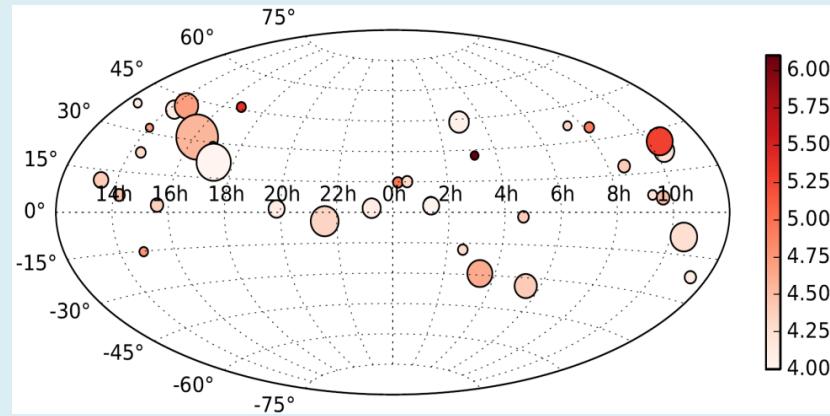
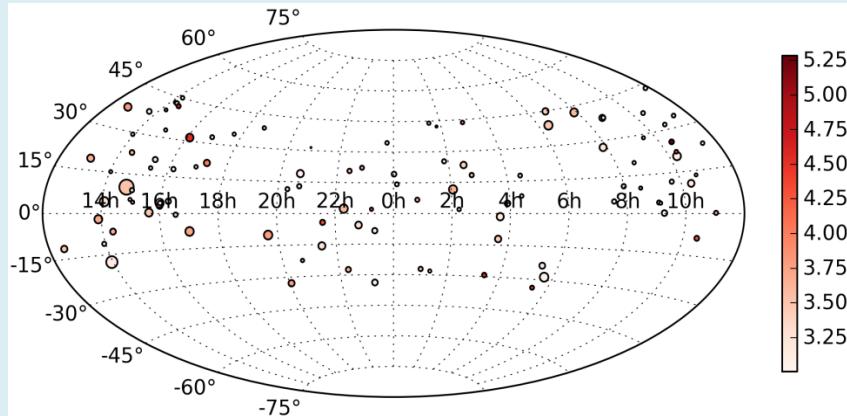
type	N	z	α_{below}	α_{above}	v _{int} , GHz	FWHM	θ , mas	$L_{\text{radio}} \times 10^{43}$, erg/s
G	18	1.3	+1.01 (0.1)	-0.81 (0.3)	4.3 (0.6)	1.4	2.2 (0.6)	14 (3.2)
QSO	43	1.8	+0.90 (0.1)	-0.59 (0.2)	14.1 (1.4)	1.6	0.6 (0.2)	56 (13.5)



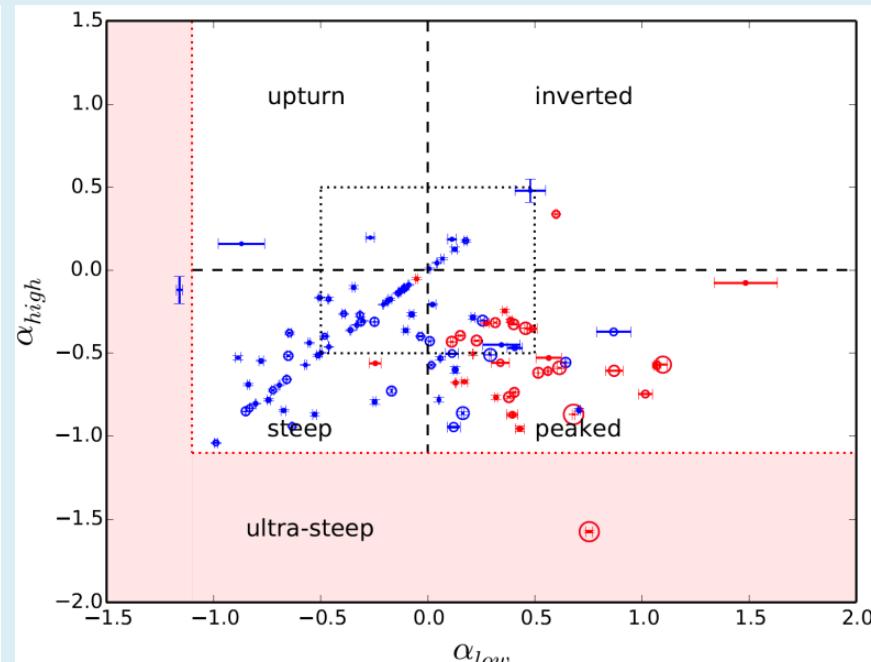
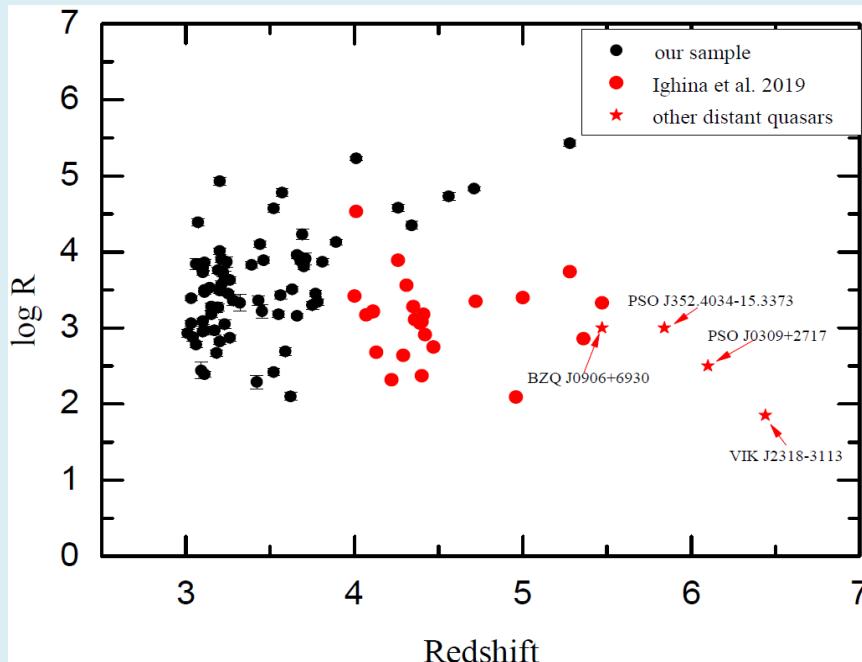
The decelerated component model combined with the orientation unification scheme (Snellen et al., 1998).



PS quasars at high redshifts



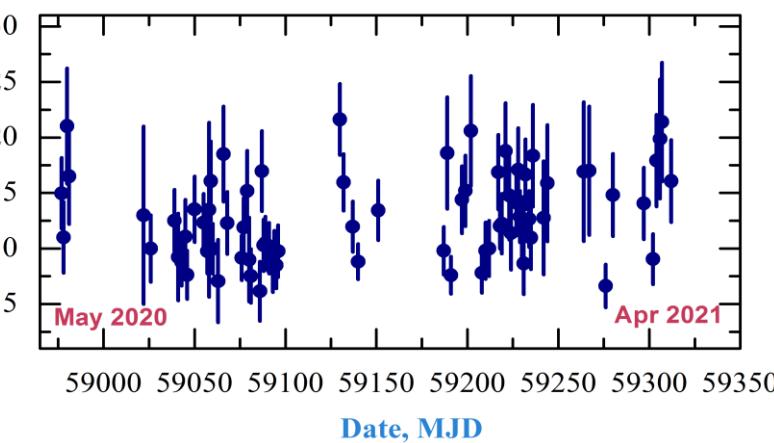
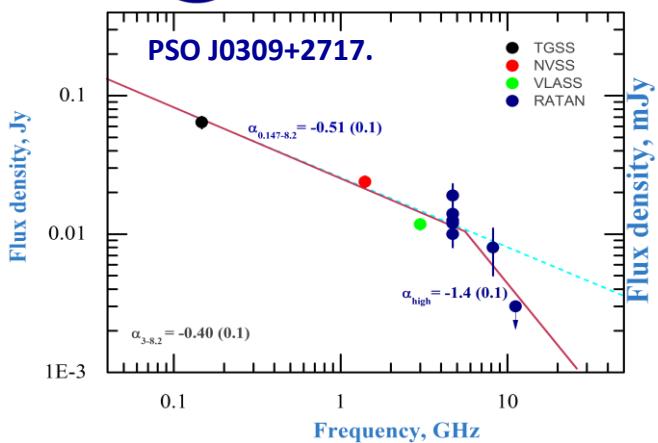
S3: 102 QSO, $z \geq 3$; $S_{1.4} \geq 100$ mJy (48 blazars by Massaro et al., 2009)





PS at high redshifts. Blazar PSO J0309+2717 at z=6.1

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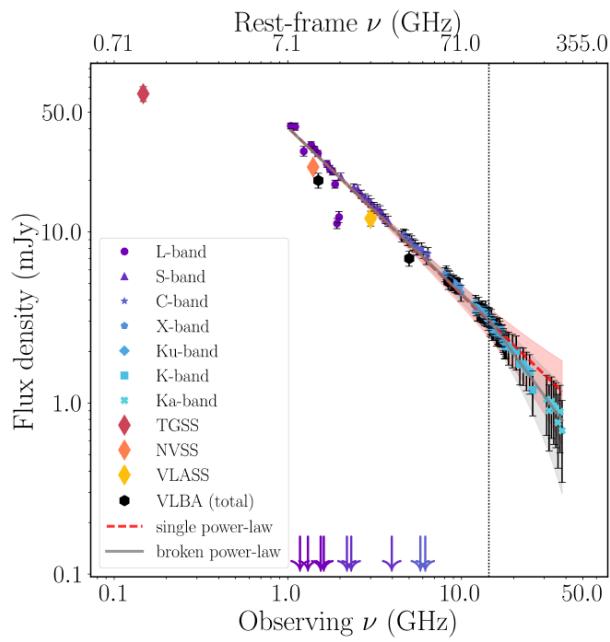


Light curve of the PSO J0309+2717 at 4.7 GHz constructed using measurements with $S/N > 1.5$, $F=0.28 (0.02)$ (May 2020 - Apr 2021).

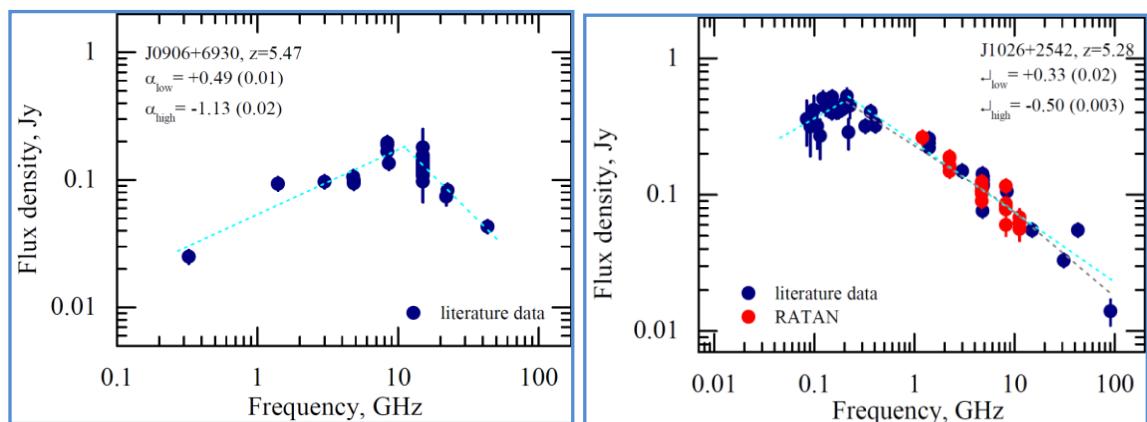
$$F_{\text{var}} = \sqrt{\frac{V^2 - \bar{\sigma}_{\text{err}}^2}{\bar{x}^2}}$$

$$\Delta F_{\text{var}} = \sqrt{(\sqrt{\frac{1}{2N} \bar{\sigma}_{\text{err}}^2 * \bar{x}^2})^2 + (\sqrt{\frac{\bar{\sigma}_{\text{err}}^2}{N}} \frac{1}{\bar{x}^2})^2}$$

Radio continuum spectrum of J0309+2717.



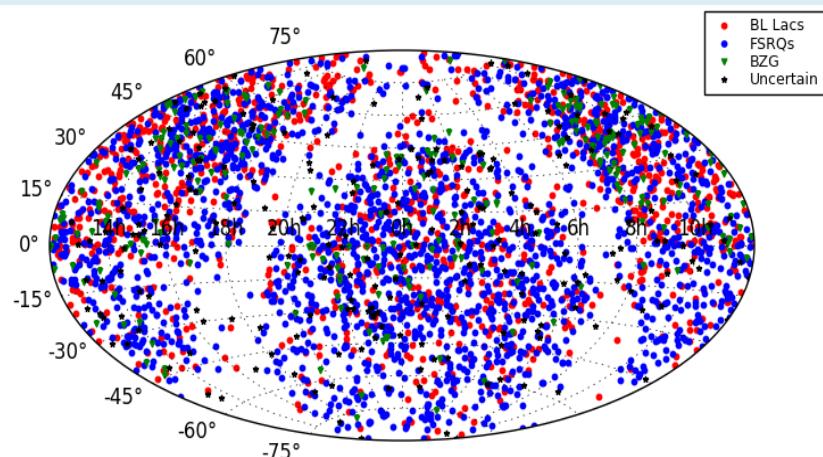
VLBA measurements, Spingola et al., 2020



Radio spectra of three most distant blazars at redshifts $z > 5$. Blue points are from literature and CATS, red points are the RATAN-600 measurements.



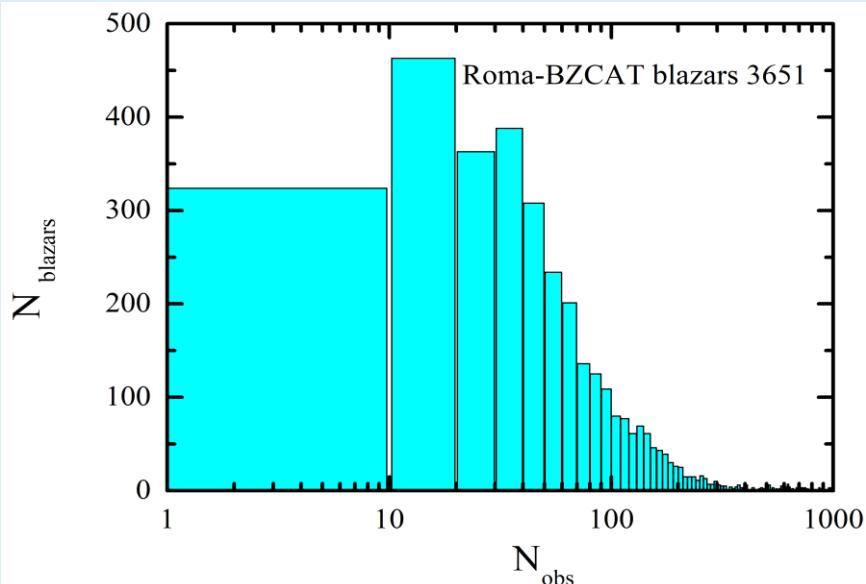
Blazars contamination.



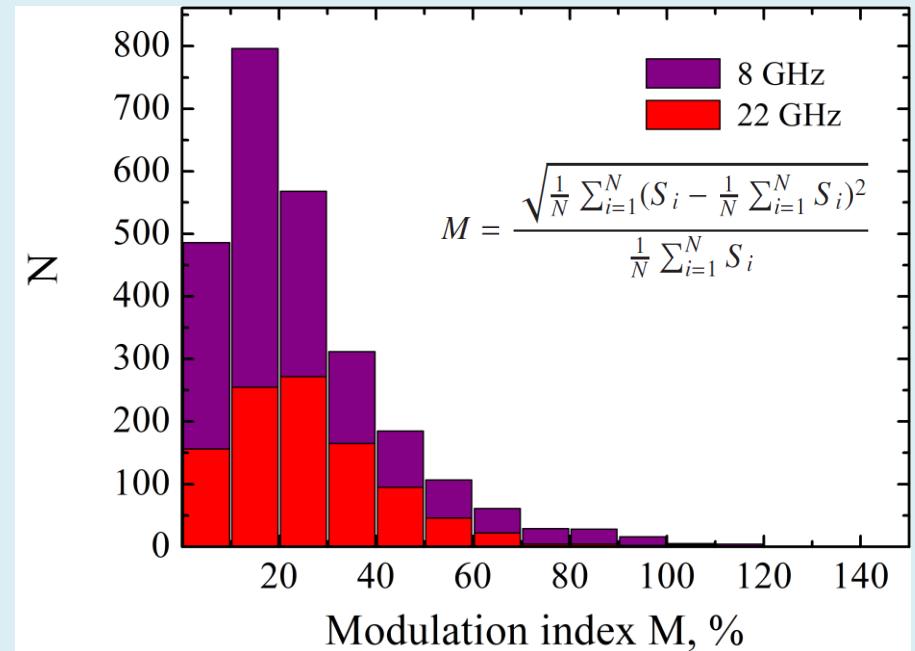
The Roma BZCAT - 5th edition (3561)

Multi-frequency Catalogue of Blazars

Edition 5.0.0, January 2015, Massaro et al., 2009



Number of measurements for BZCAT blazars



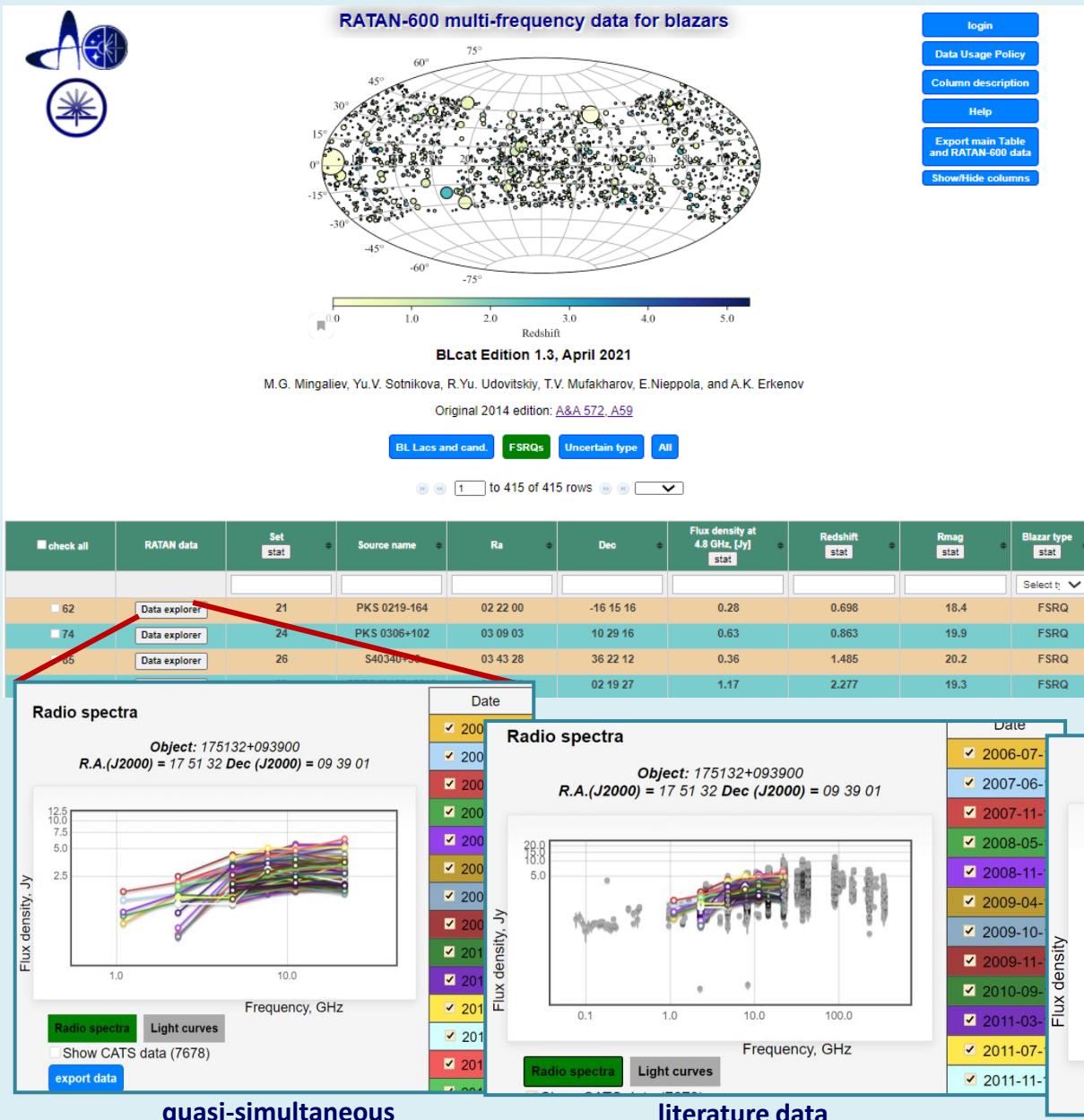
$M_{\text{mean}} = 25\% \text{ at } 8 \text{ GHz; } N = 2607$

$M_{\text{mean}} = 26\% \text{ at } 22 \text{ GHz; } N = 1028$

Spectral shape 3651	N	fraction
PS	508	14%
similar to classic GPSs	186	5%
≤ 20 data points	819	22%

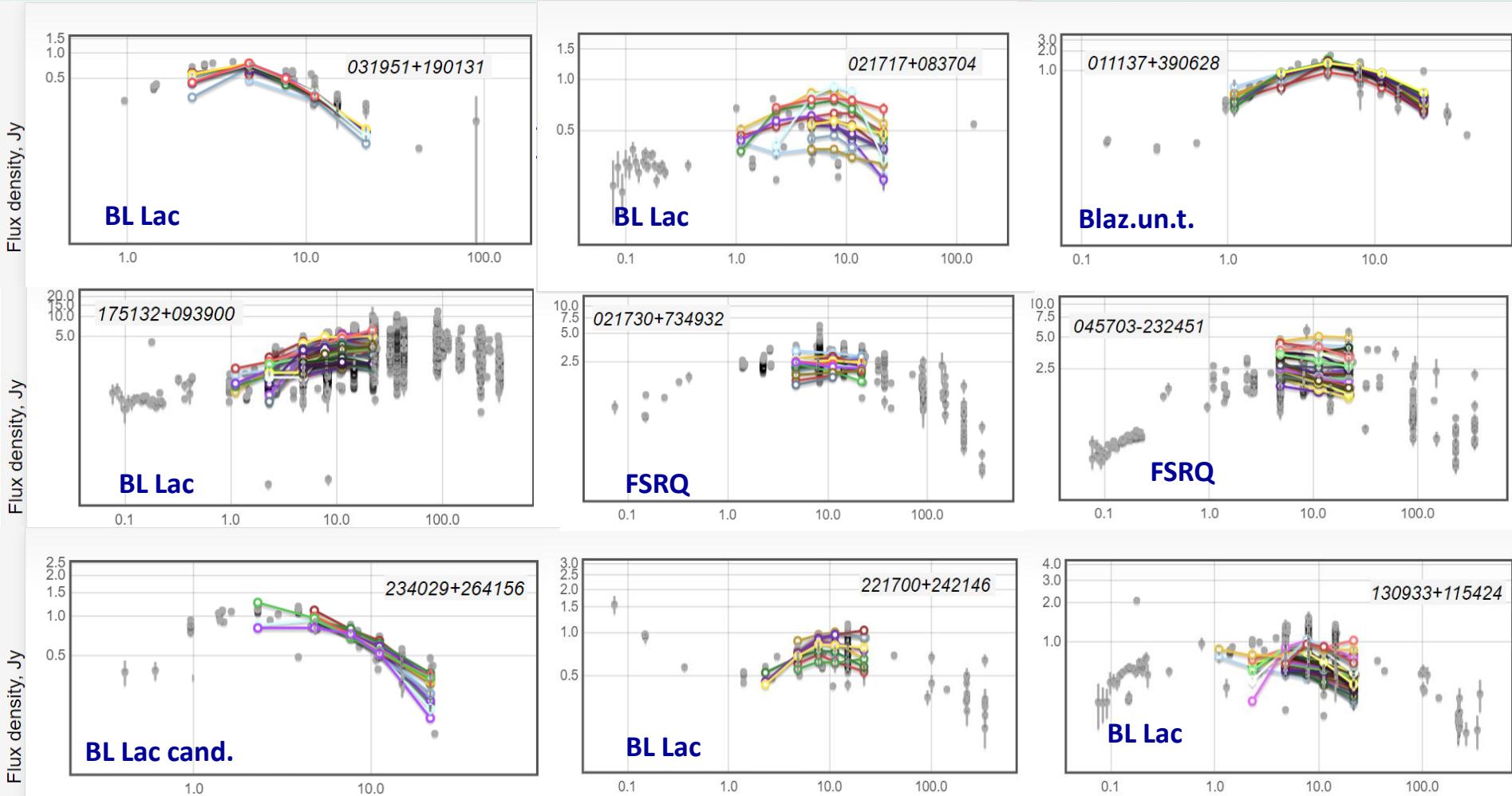
Blazars classification is based on available measurements data (VLBA, SED, continuum, ...)

Search tool: Blcat – RATAN-600 multi-frequency data for blazars





PS blazars



www.sao.ru/blcat 2014A&A...572A..59M

RATAN data: 2005-2021

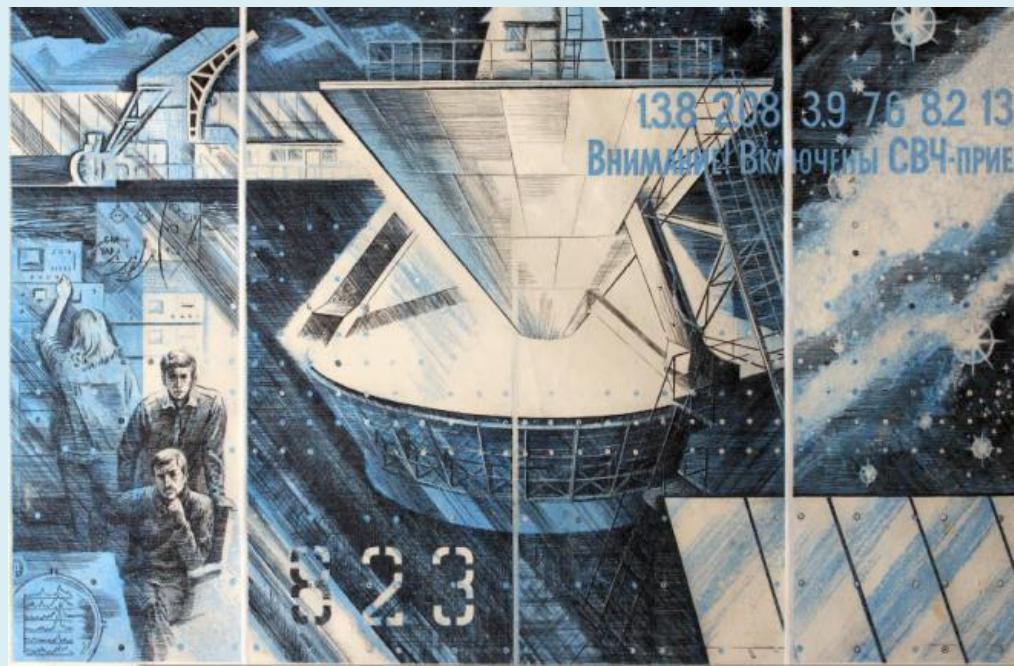


www.sao.ru/cats/ 2005B
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CATS: published literature data



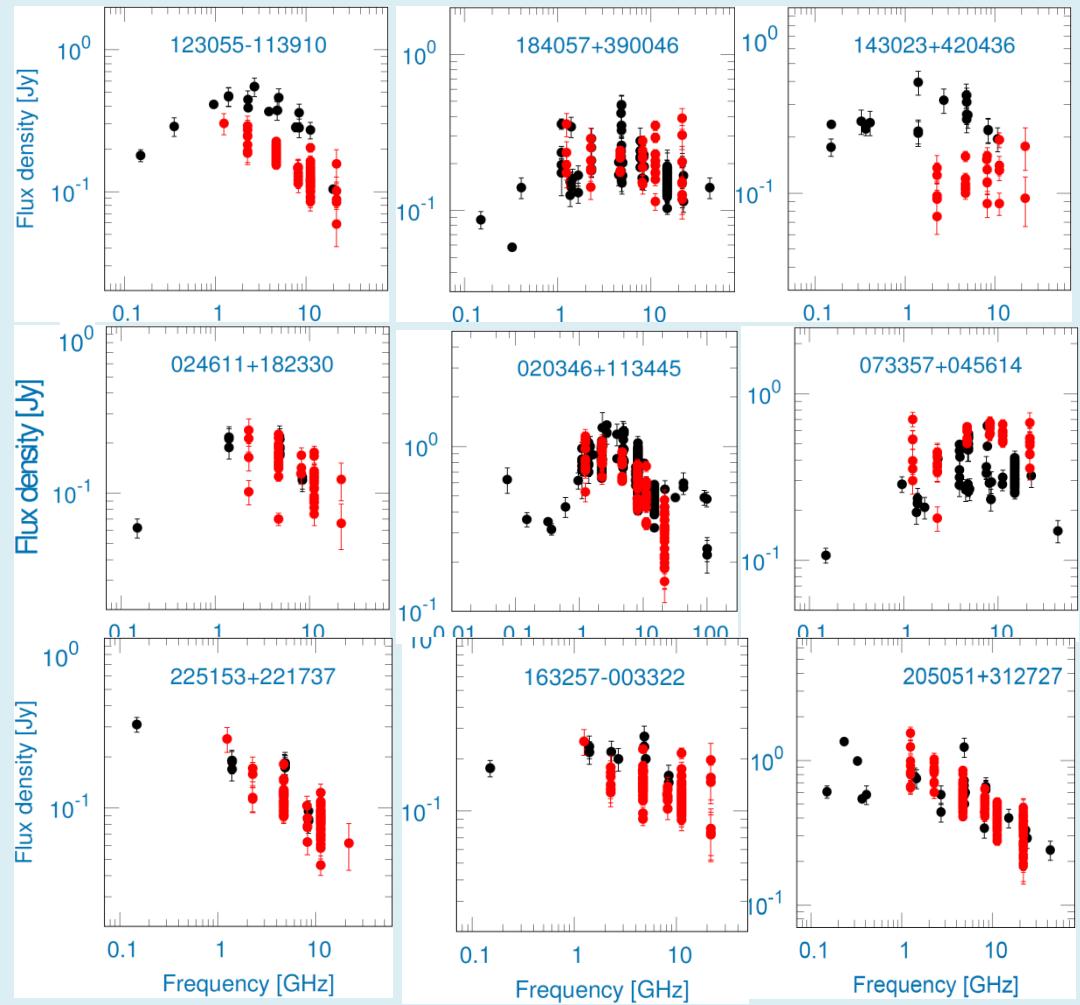
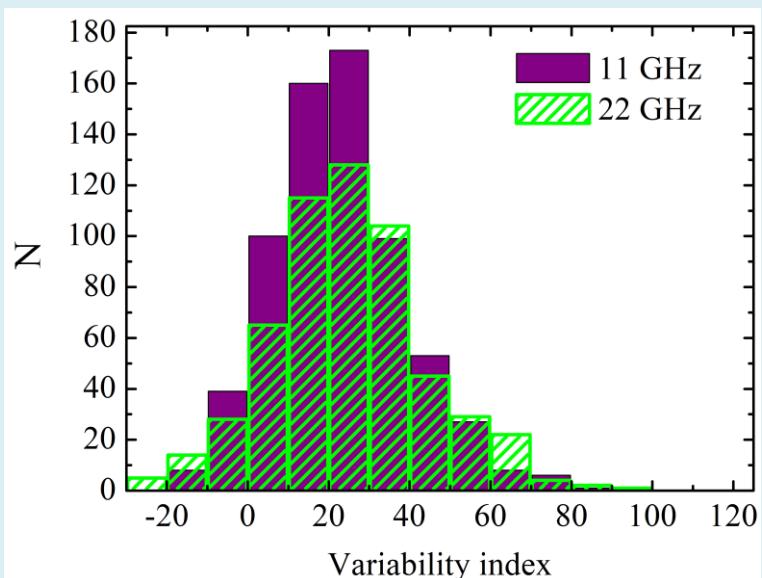
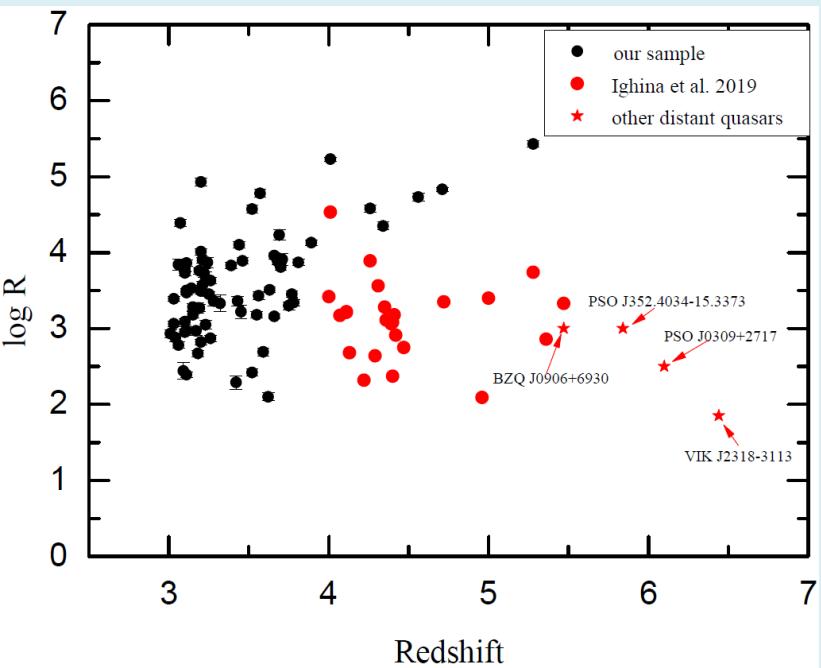
Summary

- Importance of multi-frequency and long-term monitoring. Broadband radio continuum spectra is one of the main tool for GPS search.
- A large fraction of PS sources exist (>10%).
- A very small fraction (1-2%) of bright radio sources can be considered as the GPS.
- About 40-50% QSOs at $z>3$ have a peaked spectrum.
- The blazars contamination is getting stronger at high redshifts. The blazars contamination is probably underestimated.
- CATS, BLcat – GPS search tools.





QSO at $z \geq 3$ (2017-2021)



[2021MNRAS.503..4662M](#); Flux-density measurements of the high-redshift blazar PSO J047.4478+27.2992...

[2019AstBu..74..348S](#); Multifrequency study of the GPS sources.

[2018AstBu..73..393V](#); Cosmological Evolution of Average Continuum Spectra of Radio Sources at $Z > 2$ Redshifts.