

CMB foregrounds for B-mode studies  
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# Reconstruction of the regular Galactic magnetic field from polarized emission at CMB frequencies

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# Polarized Diffuse Galactic Foregrounds and GMF

## Why to model the polarized diffuse Galactic sky

→ how far do we understand the data

Rationals:

### Galactic science

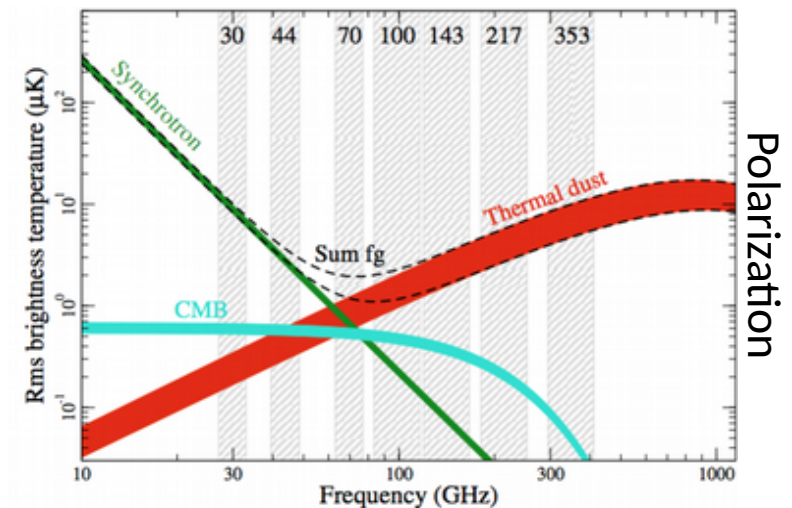
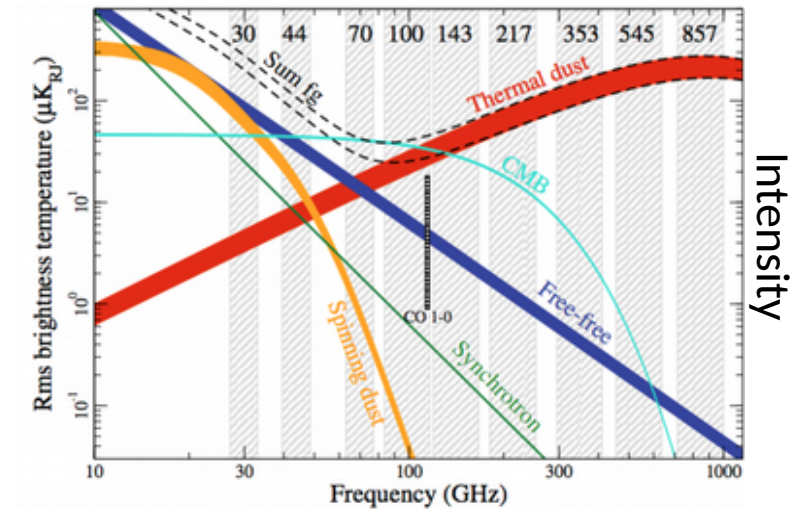
- Constraints on the different components of the magnetized interstellar medium
  - matter content (dust, relativistic electron, ...)
  - magnetic field

### CMB science

- Realistic models of Galactic foregrounds
- Provide realistic simulations to test and train component separation methods

### Objective of this work:

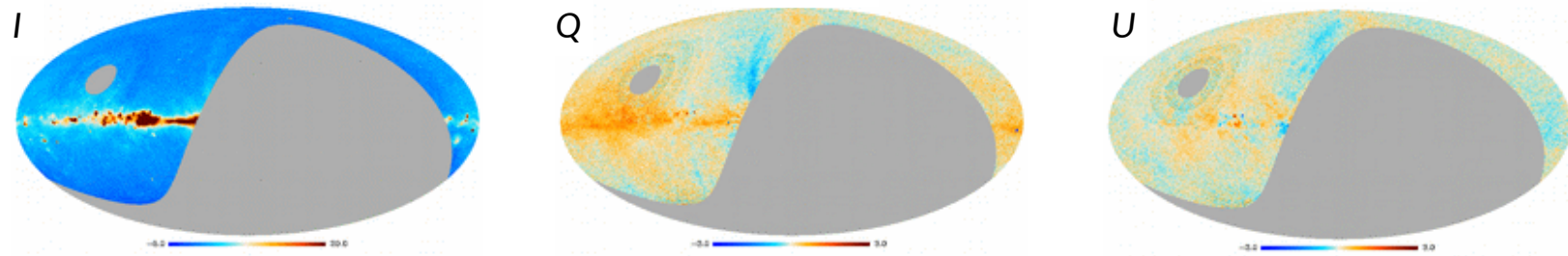
- Constrain GMF models
- Provide up-to-date three-dimensional regular Galactic Magnetic Field



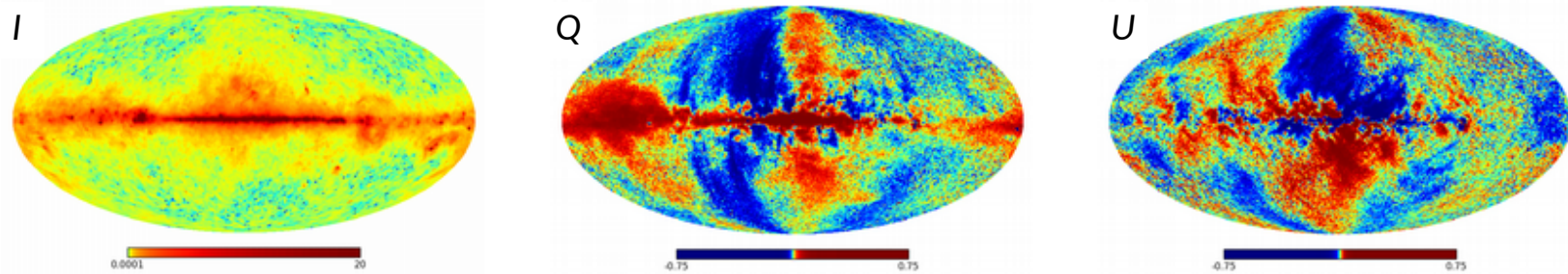
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DATA: synchrotron & thermal dust

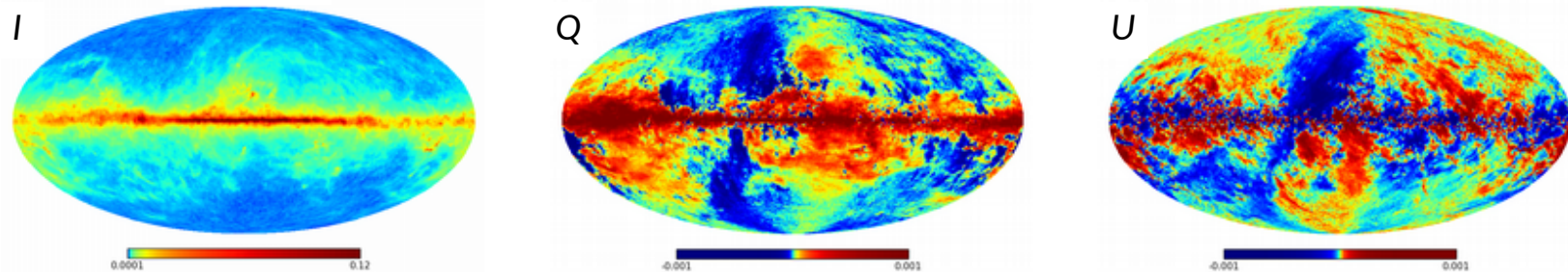
Synchrotron @ 11 GHz (QUIJOTE, Courtesy of the QUIJOTE collaboration)



Synchrotron @ 22 GHz (WMAP)

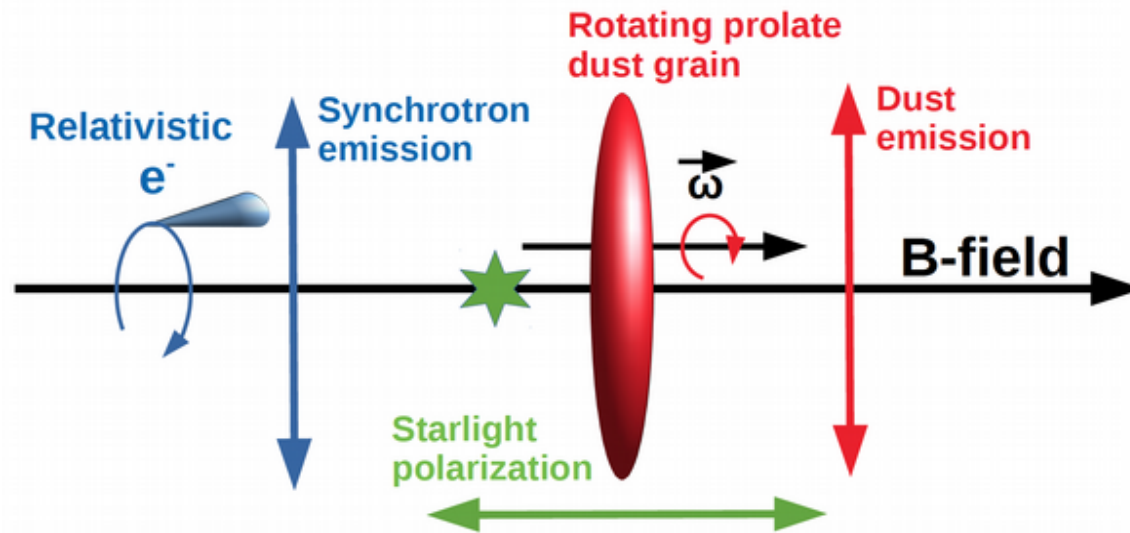


Thermal dust @ 353 GHz (Planck)



OBJECTIVE: extract the GMF from there

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## Emission modelings:

- Synchrotron: (inspired from [Rybicki & Lightman 1979])

$$I(\mathbf{n}) = \epsilon_\nu \int_0^{+\infty} dr n_e(r, \mathbf{n}) (\mathbf{B}_\perp(r, \mathbf{n})^2)^{(s+1)/4}$$

$$Q(\mathbf{n}) = \epsilon_\nu p_{sync} \int_0^{+\infty} dr n_e(r, \mathbf{n}) (\mathbf{B}_\perp(r, \mathbf{n})^2)^{(s+1)/4} \cos[2\gamma(r, \mathbf{n})]$$

$$U(\mathbf{n}) = \epsilon_\nu p_{sync} \int_0^{+\infty} dr n_e(r, \mathbf{n}) (\mathbf{B}_\perp(r, \mathbf{n})^2)^{(s+1)/4} \sin[2\gamma(r, \mathbf{n})]$$

$\alpha$  = inclination angle  
 $\gamma$  = position angle

of the GMF vectors  
w.r.t. lines of sight

- Thermal dust: (inspired from [Lee & Drain 1985; Fauvet et al. 2011])

$$I(\mathbf{n}) = \epsilon_\nu \int_0^{+\infty} dr n_d(r, \mathbf{n}) \left\{ 1 + p^{\text{dust}} f_{\text{ma}} \left( \frac{2}{3} - \sin^2 \alpha(r, \mathbf{n}) \right) \right\}$$

$$Q(\mathbf{n}) = \epsilon_\nu p^{\text{dust}} f_{\text{ma}} \int_0^{+\infty} dr n_d(r, \mathbf{n}) \sin^2 \alpha(r, \mathbf{n}) \cos[2\gamma(r, \mathbf{n})]$$

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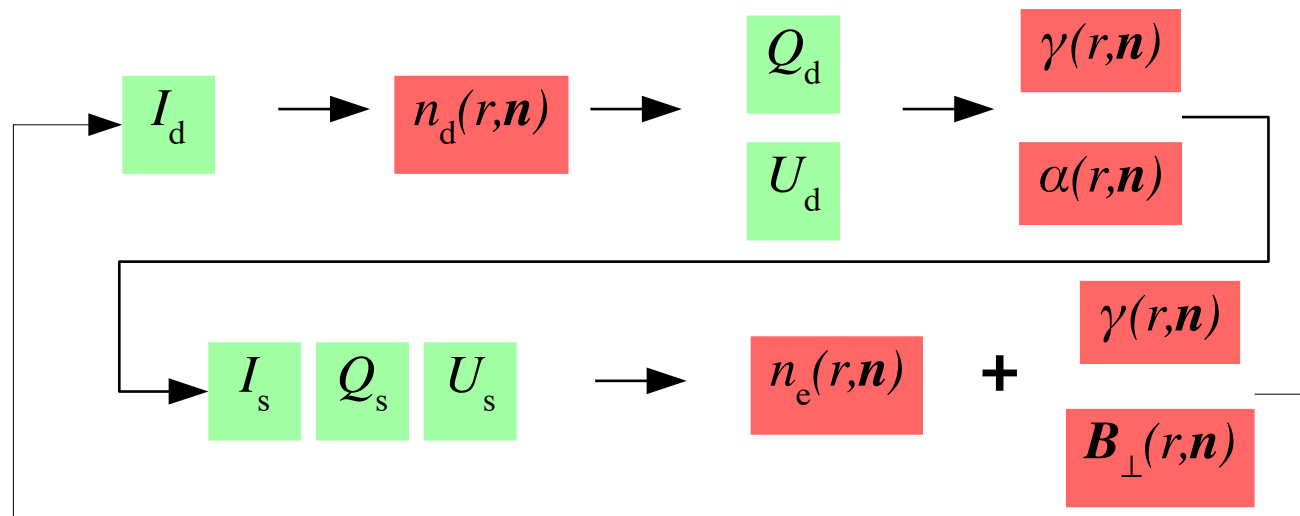
To extract GMF, dust simplifies our life:

- polarized dust depends ONLY on the geometry of the GMF (not its strength)
- to first order there is the possibility to separate matter and GMF in dust modeling
- ‘significant’ reduction of the number of parameters to be handled at once
- traceability and feasibility for MCMC analysis

# Polarized Diffuse Galactic Foregrounds and GMF

## Reconstruction of the GMF from synchrotron and thermal dust polarization?

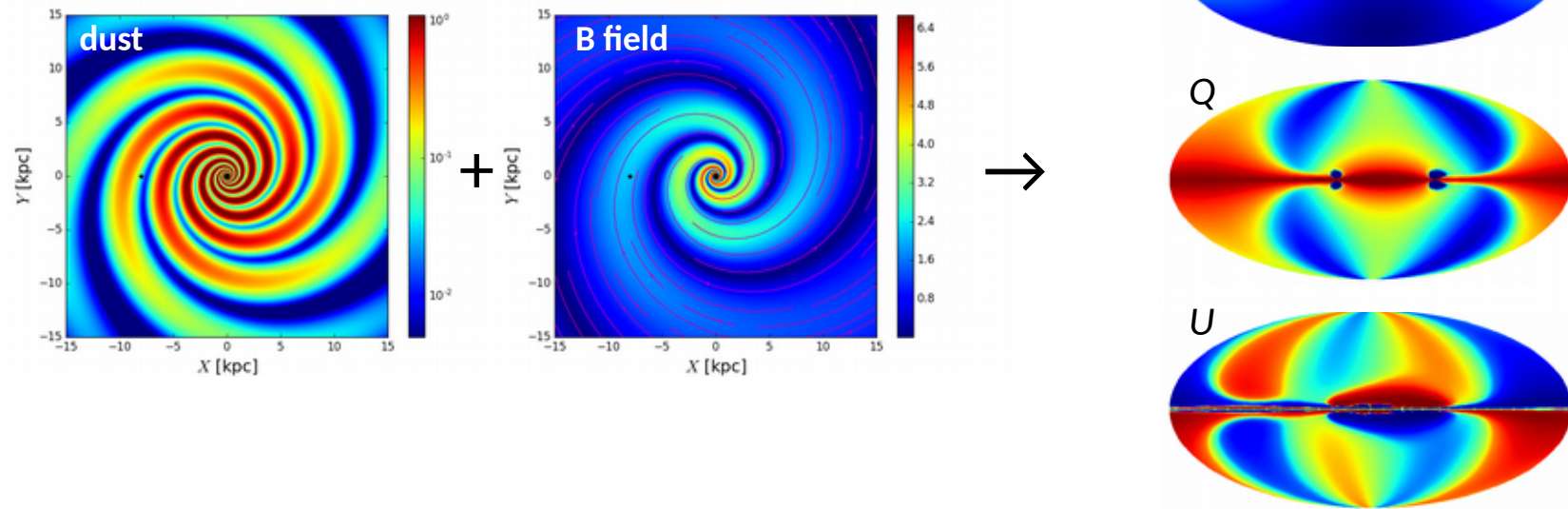
- Our approach: going step by step with sizable parametric models



# Polarized Diffuse Galactic Foregrounds and GMF

## APPROACH: 3-dimensional modeling of the magnetized Galaxy

- 3D models of matter content
- 3D models of GMF structure (large-scale regular part)
- Integration along the lines of sight of emission mechanism(s)



## gpempy software:

- PYthon modules to simulate Galactic Polarized EMISSION (presently thermal dust & synchrotron)

Being released here: [<http://www.radioforegrounds.eu/pages/software/gmf-reconstruction.php>]

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Can we really constrain the GMF from thermal dust polarization data?

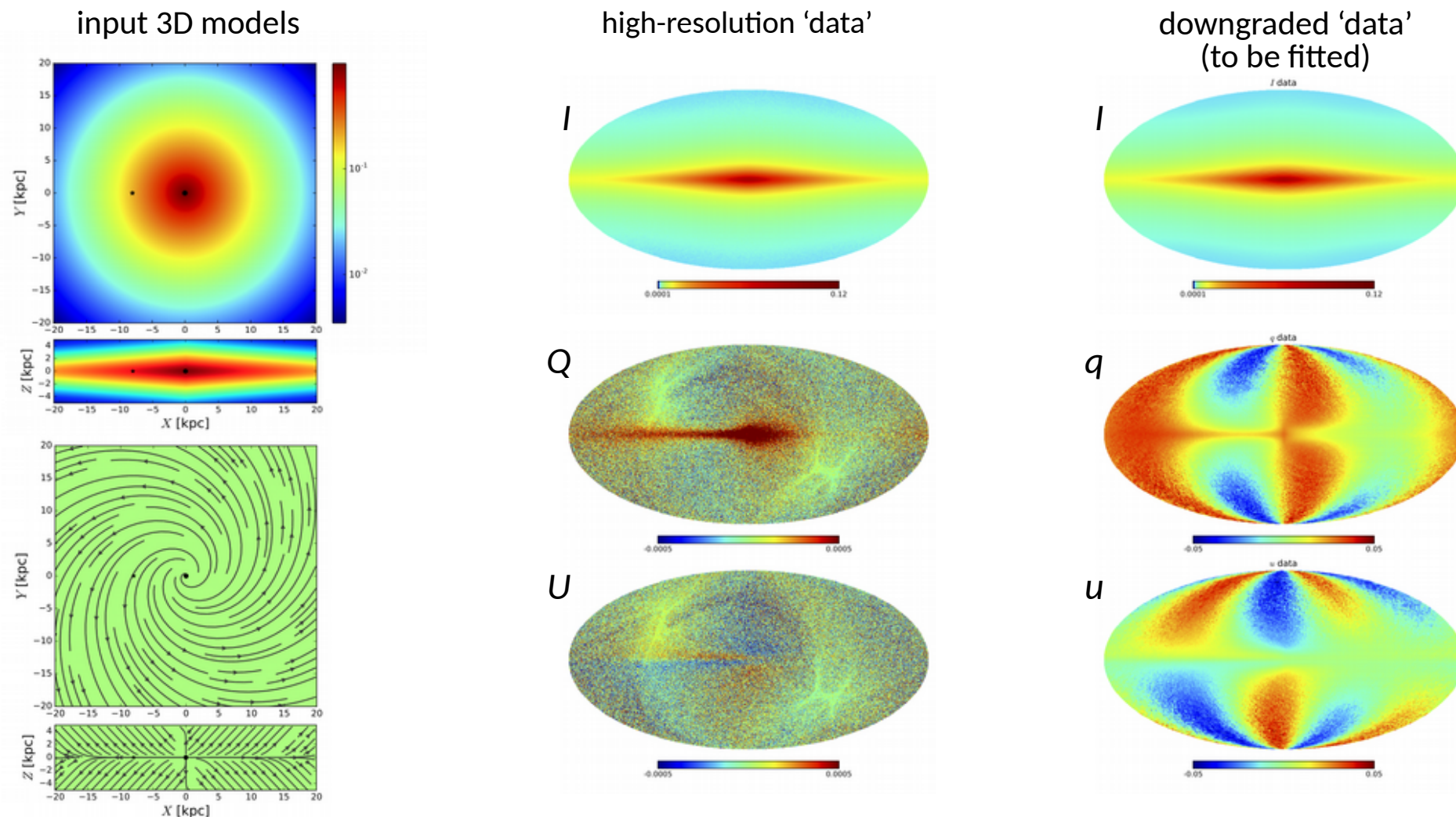


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Proof of concept using our MCMC on *mock* datasets

I. `mock_1`:  $n_d$  = exponential disk ; GMF = WMAP model [Page et al. 2007]

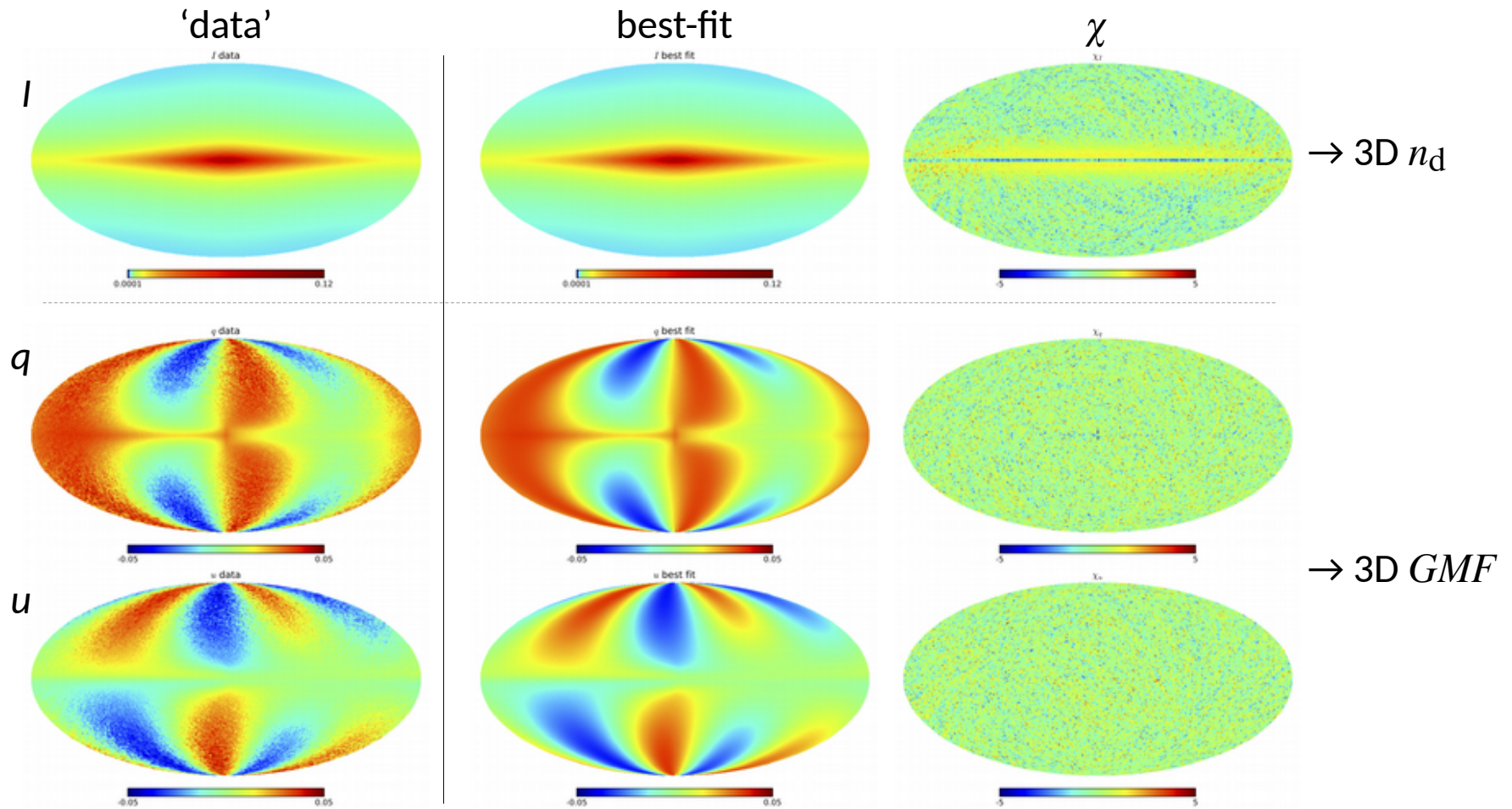


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II. MCMC fits on maps



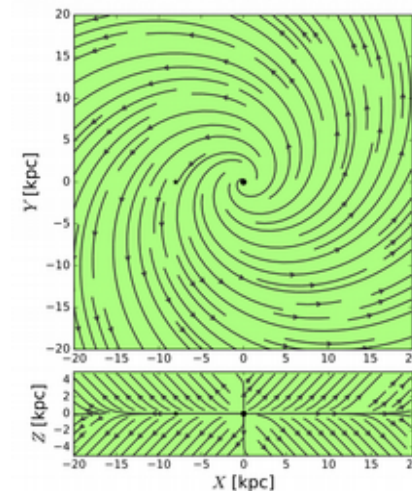
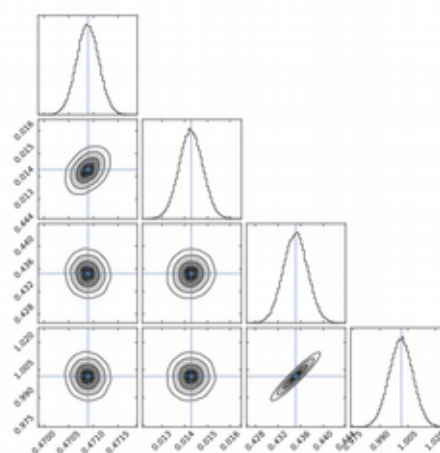
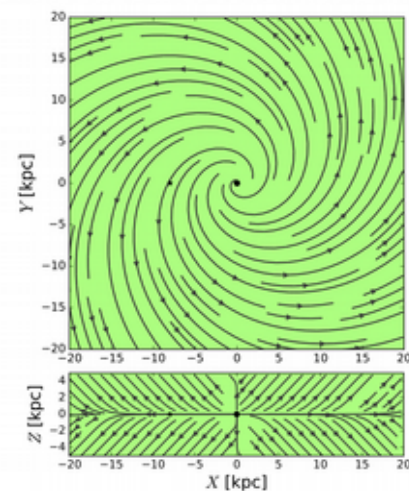
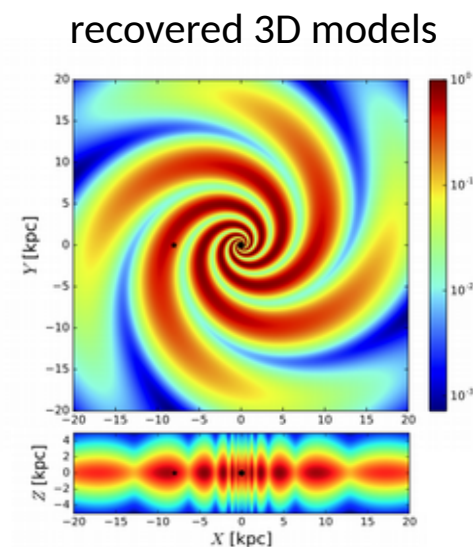
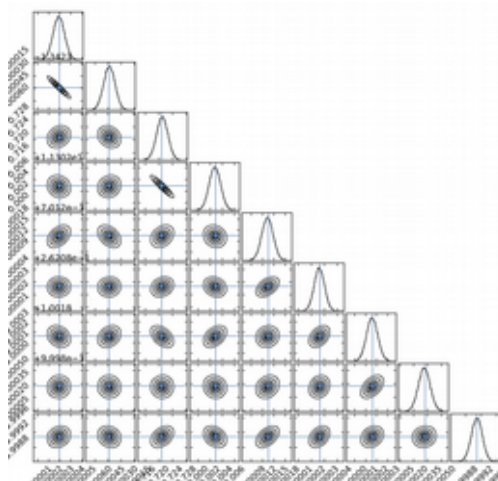
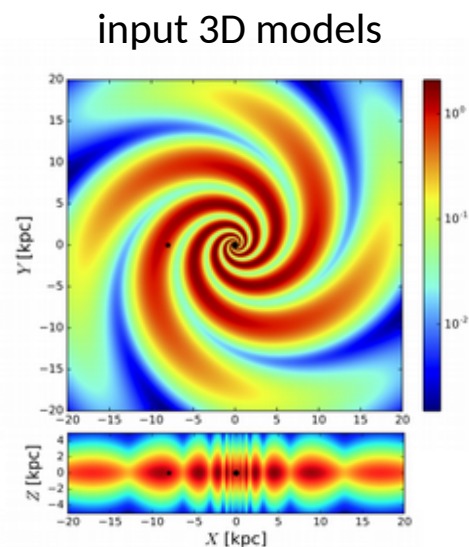


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III. 3D models comparison

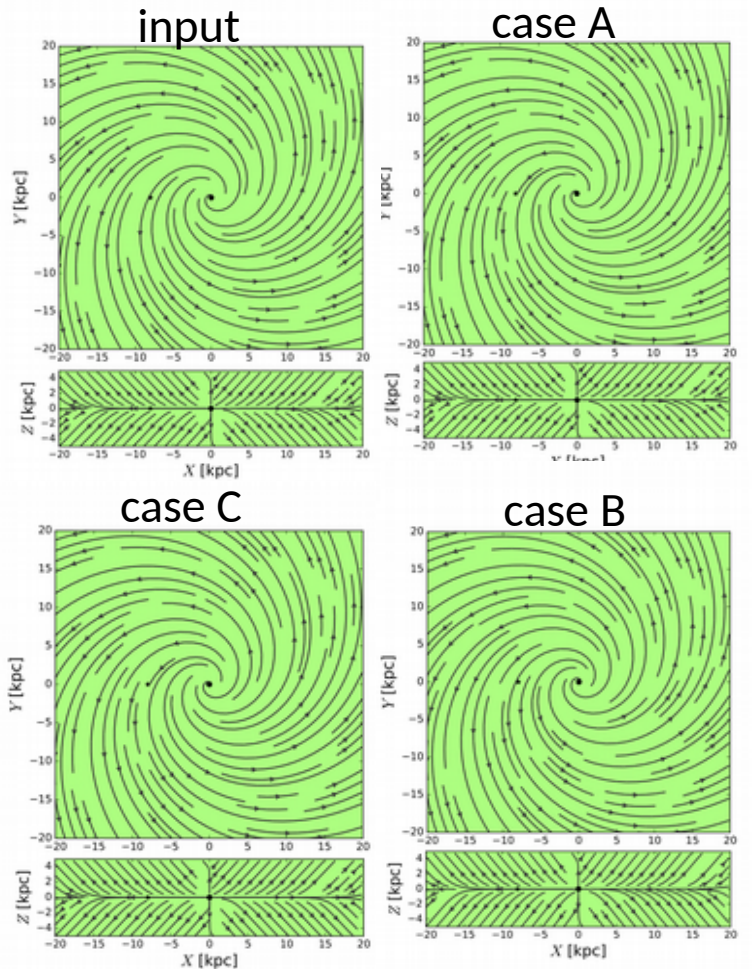




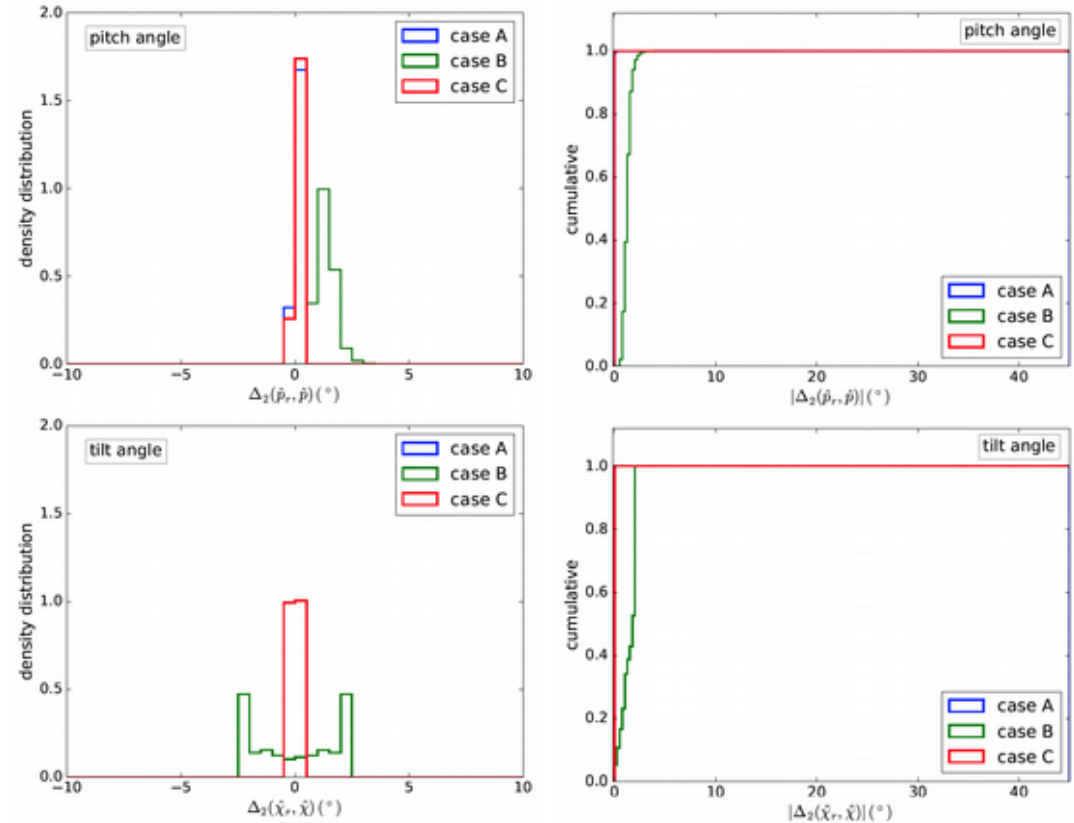
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≠ angles within the whole (3D) sampled space



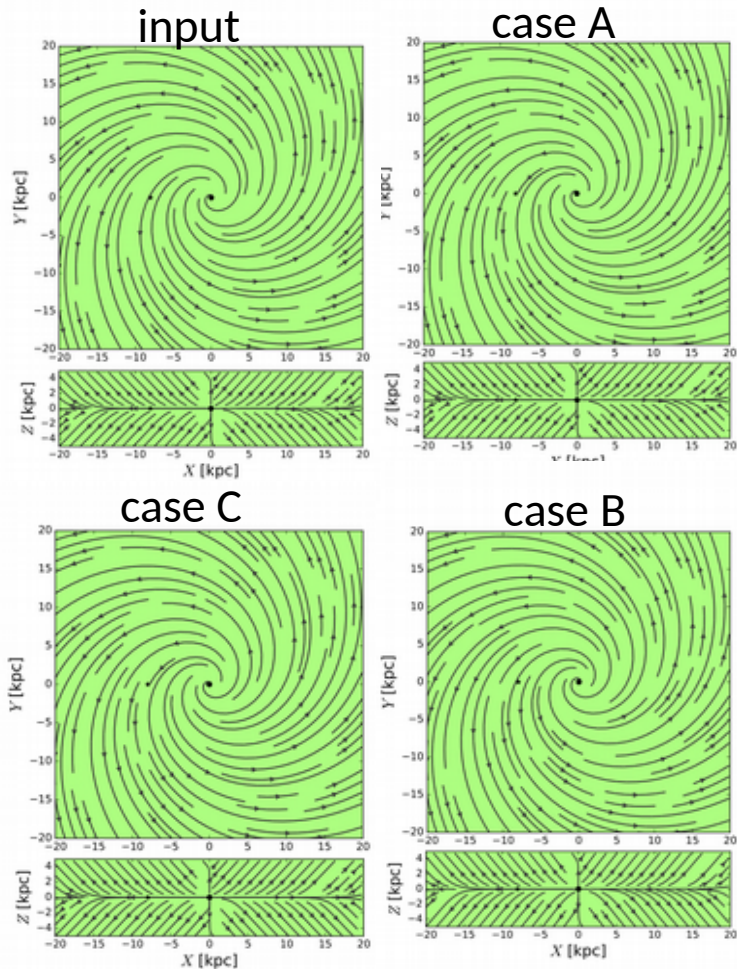
case A:  $n_d$  = exponential disk (ED) fitted by ED  
 case B:  $n_d$  = 4 spiral arms (4SA) fitted by ED  
 case C:  $n_d$  = 4SA fitted by 4SA

	A	B	C
➤ Spiral pitch:	< 1°	< 4°	< 1°
➤ Out-of-plane:	< 1°	< 3°	< 1°

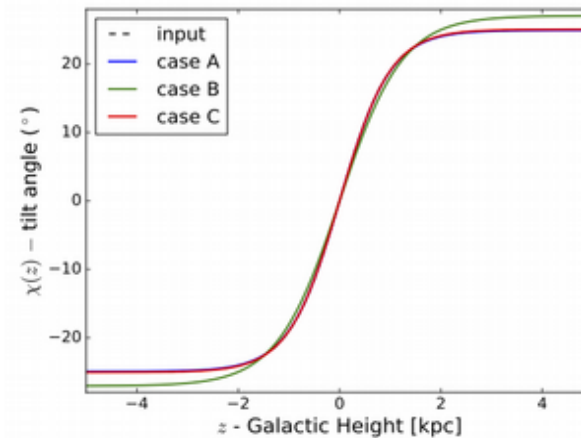
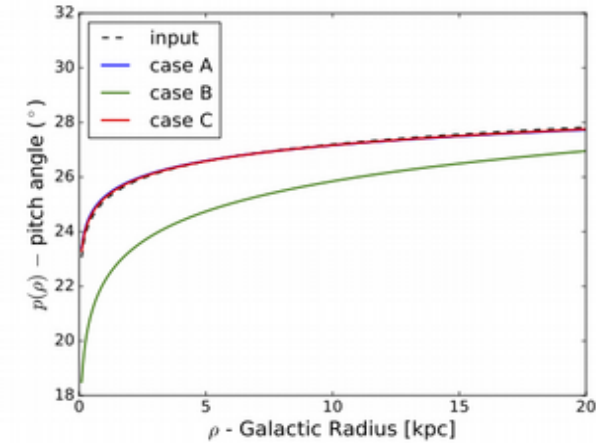
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Parametric forms of pitch and out-of-plane

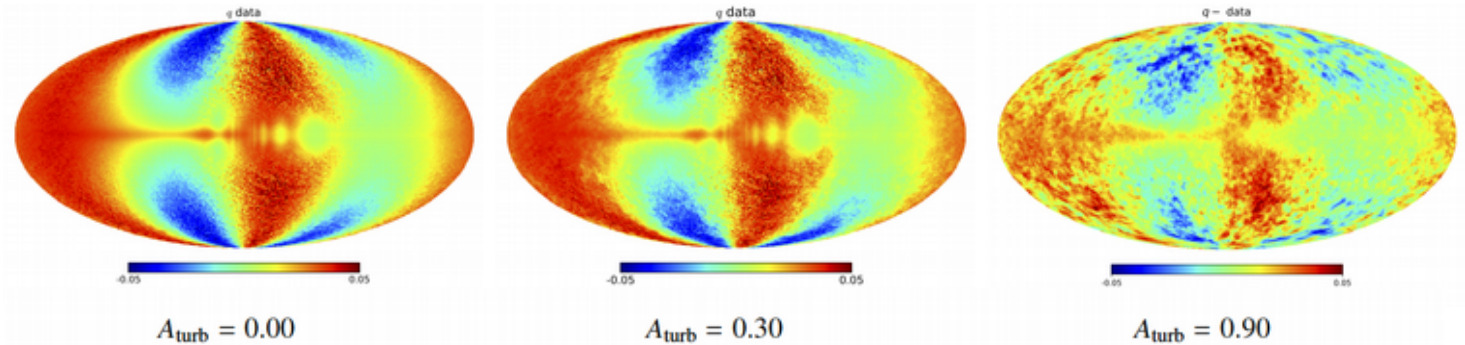


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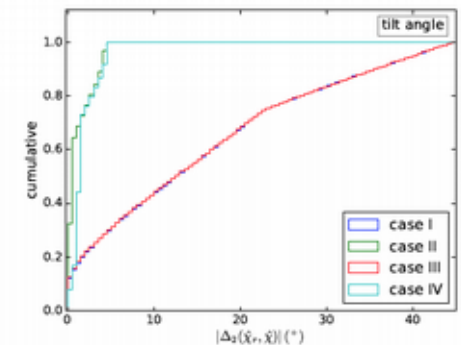
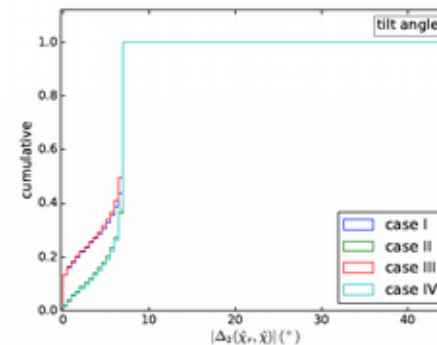
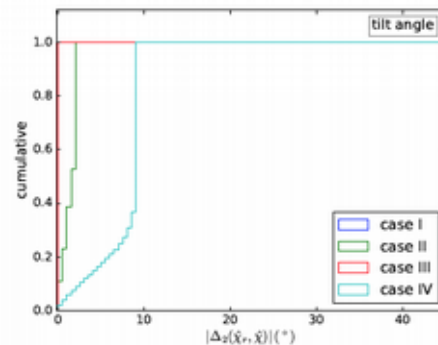
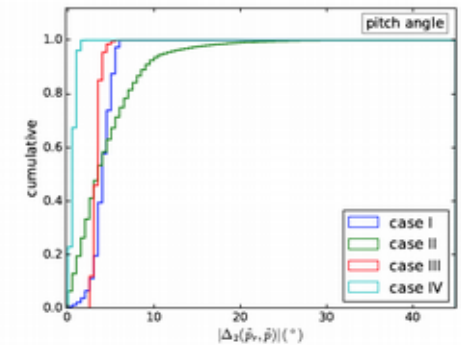
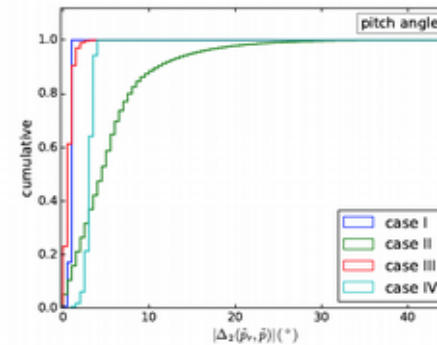
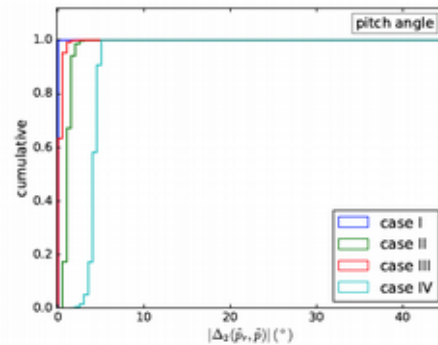
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Inclusion of turbulence into the GMF in the 'data' to be fitted



4 reconstructions tested:

	$n_d$	gmf
input:	4SA	WMAP
case I:	4SA	WMAP
case II:	ED	WMAP
case III:	4SA	ASS
case IV:	ED	ASS



≠ pitch angles  $< 10^\circ$  for 80% of the space in all cases  
 ≠ tilt angles worse but still ...



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[Pelgrims, Macías-Pérez & Ruppin, *A&A submitted*]

### ➤ Results:

- Excellent to fair reconstruction of the GMF geometrical structure
- reconstructed GMF
  - stable irrespective of the chosen  $n_d$  best-fit model
  - is expected to be better in the Galactic plane (pitch angle) than across the Galactic disk (tilt angle) in realistic cases
- Fits with reduced Stokes ( $q, u$ ) allow us
  - to circumvent mismodeling of  $n_d$
  - to propagate properly the uncertainties
- The regular GMF part can be ‘fairly’ constrained when turbulence is added to the data

### ➤ Highlight of technical points and systematics:

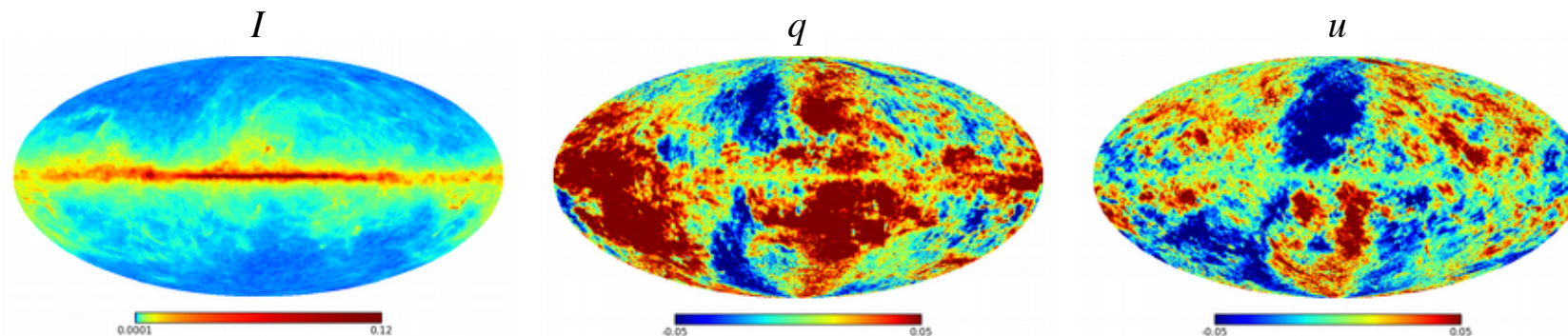
- Biases in parameter space due to
  - limited resolution of MCMC simulations
- MCMC contours do not account for these points
- Reduced  $\chi^2$  values become rapidly outrageous, even based on simulated data

→ Yes, we can!  
(based on simulations ...)

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GMF from *real* thermal dust polarization data: a 'first' step forwards

- Fitted datasets: [*Planck* 353-GHz full-sky polarization maps]

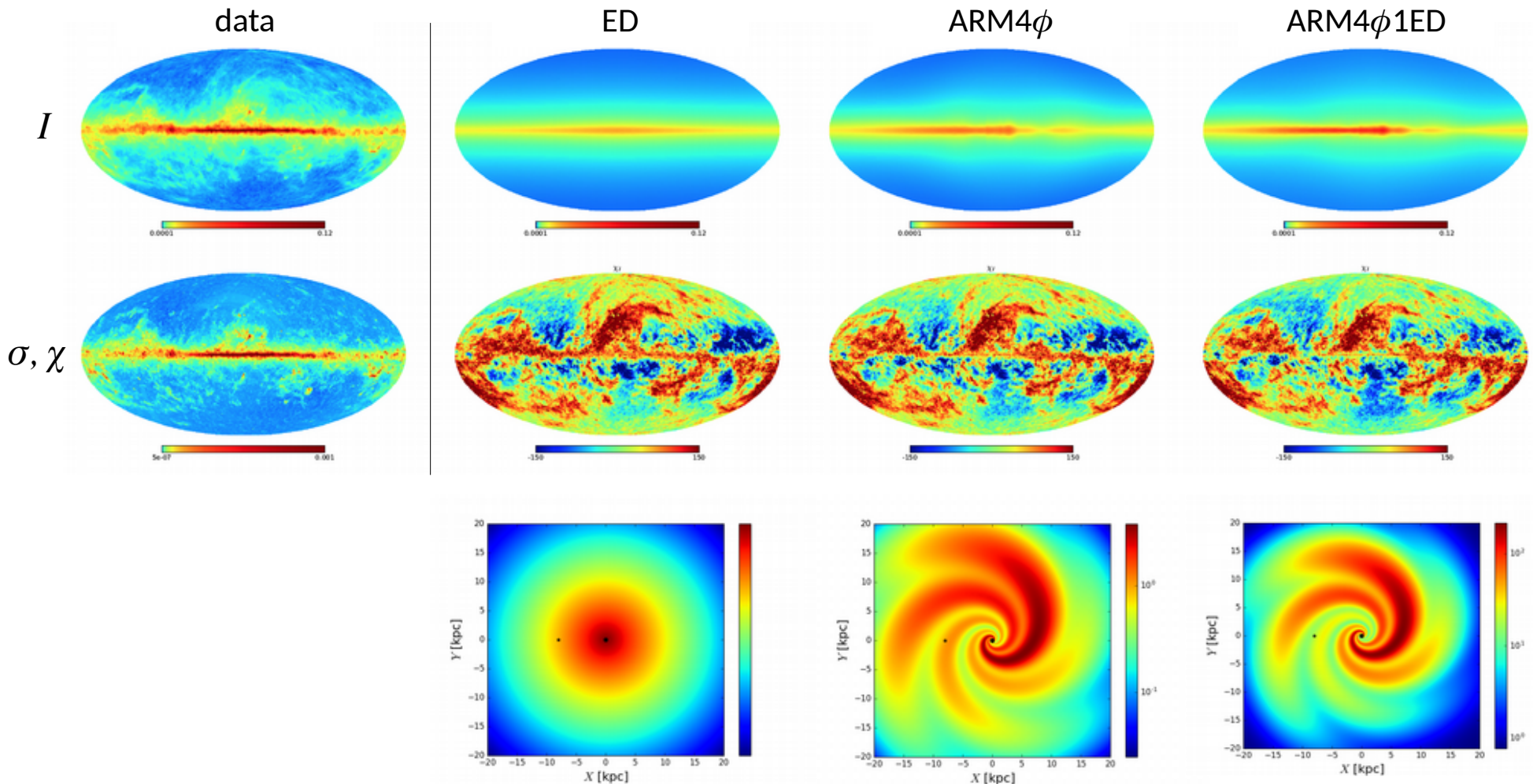


- Fitted models (at  $N_{\text{side}} = 64$ )
  - Dust density distribution  $n_d$ :
    - ED (exponential disk)
    - ARM4 $\phi$  (4 spiral arms)
    - ARM4 $\phi$ 1ED (4 spiral arms + exponential disk)
  - Regular and large-scale GMF: [spiral pattern + out-of-plane component]
    - ASS (axisymmetric logarithmic spiral)
    - WMAP (Page et al. model: like ASS but *not* logarithmic)
    - BSS (bi-symmetric logarithmic spiral: field strength modulation  $\rightarrow$  2 arms)
    - QSS (quadri-symmetric logarithmic spiral: field strength modulation  $\rightarrow$  4 arms)
  - Every  $n_d$  - GMF combinations  $\rightarrow$  12 models of the magnetized Galaxy

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GMF from *Planck* 353-GHz full-sky polarization maps

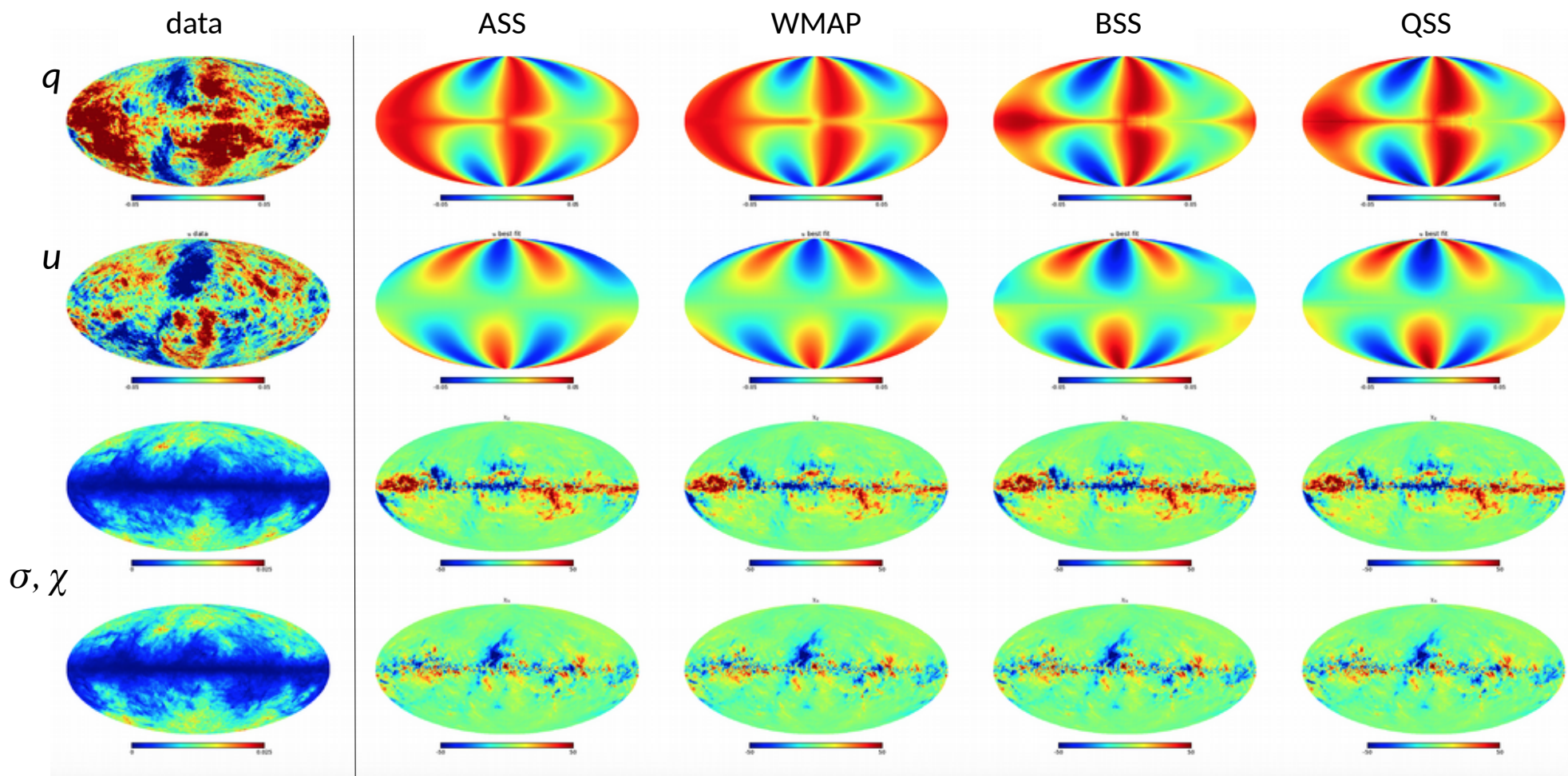
- Fit of intensity map and  $n_d$  models:



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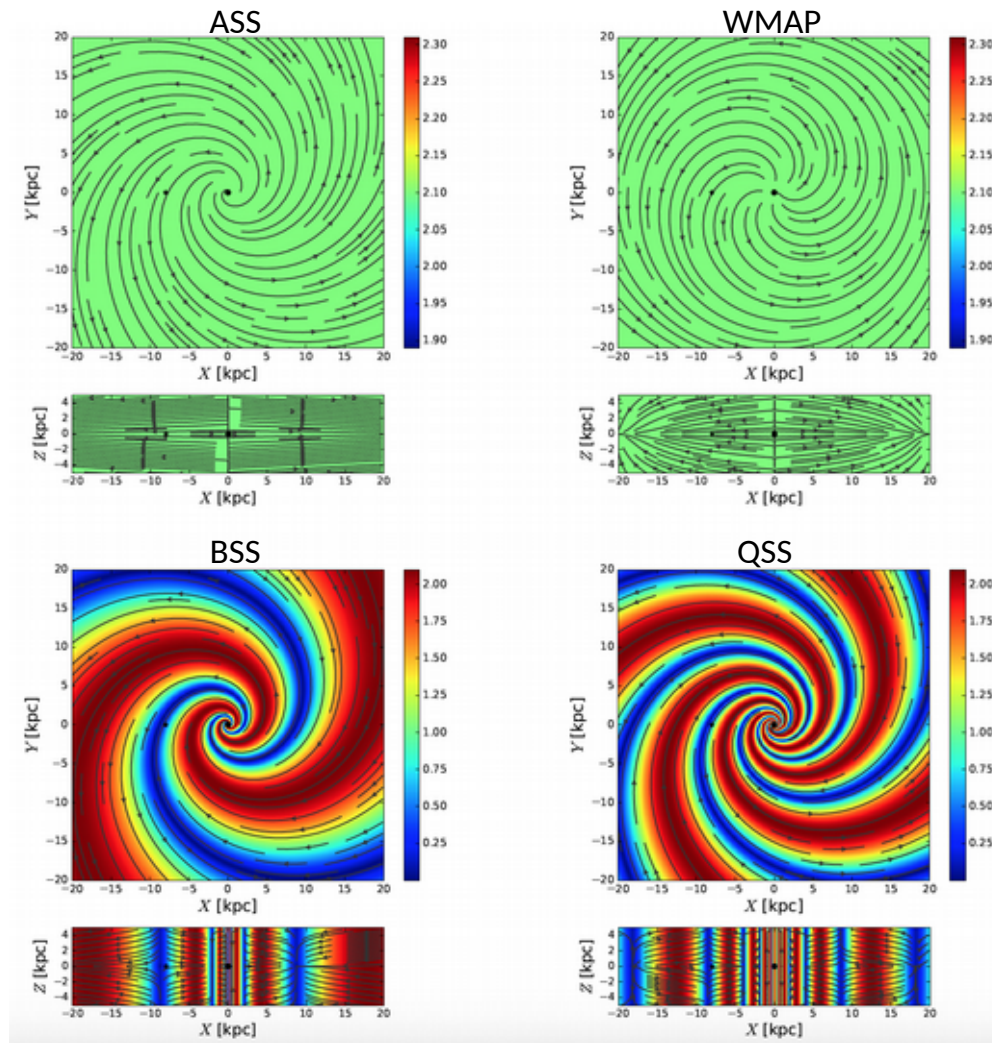
- Fit of polarization maps ( $q, u$ ) and GMF models: (here with  $n_d = \text{ED}$ )



# Polarized Diffuse Galactic Foregrounds and GMF

## GMF from *Planck* 353-GHz full-sky polarization maps

- Comparison of best-fit GMF models from  $(q, u)$  maps: (here with  $n_d = \text{ED}$ )



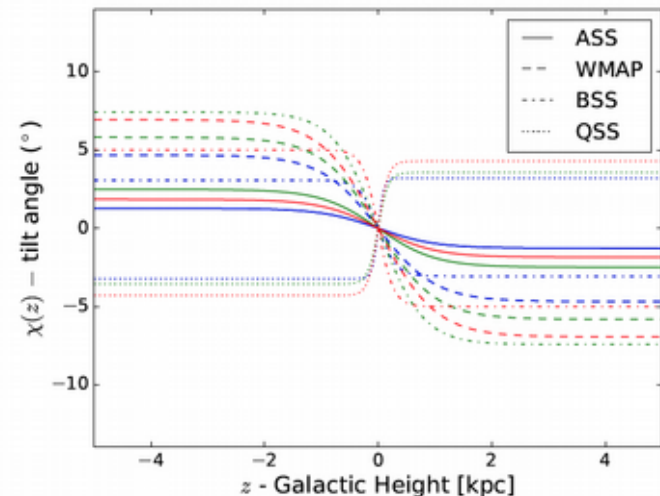
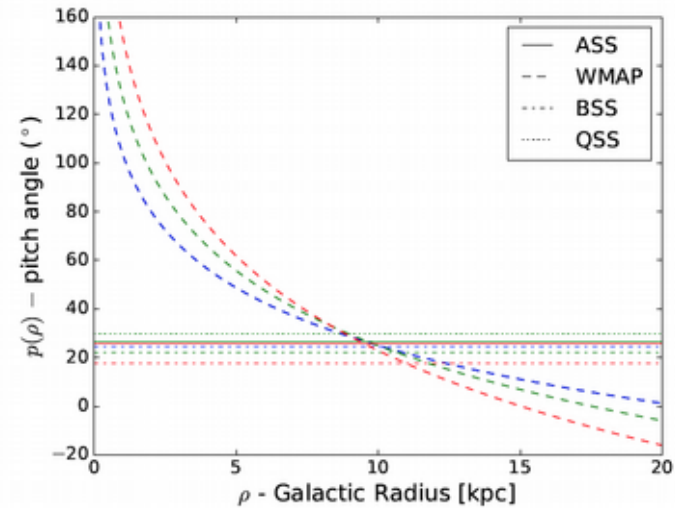
- Reconstructed GMF look similar (despite different parameterization and uninformative prior)

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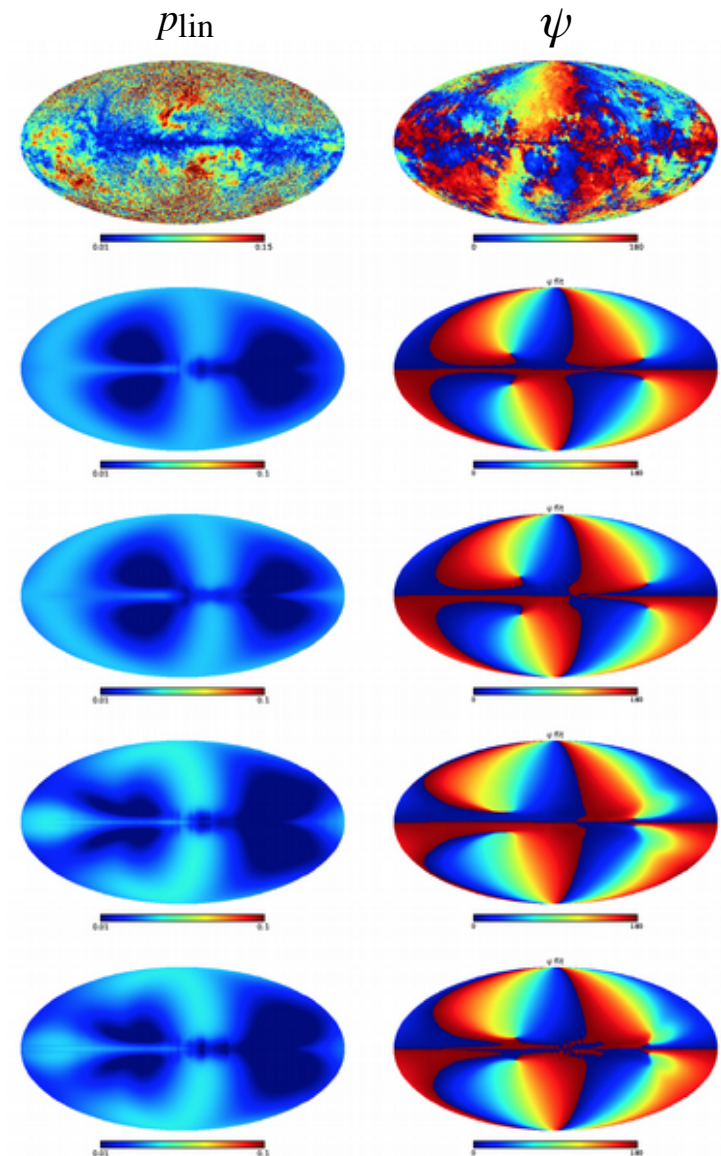
- Comparison of best-fit GMF models from  $(q, u)$  maps:
  - Reconstructed spiral patterns are (very) similar among reconstructions
    - pitch angle  $24^\circ \pm 3^\circ$  at Sun radius (including outliers)
  - Out-of-plane component is less constrained
    - tilt angle of about  $-3^\circ \pm 5^\circ$
    - seemingly none of the reconstructions shows the expected X-shape observed in radio data of other galaxies
- Robustness of GMF against leakage etc.
- Stability of GMF against adopted dust density models from  $I_{353}$  or  $\tau_{353}$

Note: turbulence has not been modeled here!



## GMF from *Planck* 353-GHz full-sky polarization maps

- Comparison of best-fit GMF models from  $(q, u)$  maps in terms of the degree of linear polarization and of the polarization position angle (deduced from the best-fits, not fitted)
- line-of-sight depolarization by integration of varying GMF orientations seen in  $p_{\text{lin}}$
- overall agreement in  $\psi$  even if twisted and skewed
- clear residuals between models and data either in  $p_{\text{lin}}$  or  $\psi$
- residuals in  $p_{\text{lin}}$  and  $\psi$  are seemingly NOT spatially correlated
- should be phenomenologically exploited to refine models, together with other maps  $(I, Q, U)$
- Highlight limitations of the models  
GMF, matter density and possibly assumptions in emission modeling



## Conclusion

Regular (large-scale) GMF can be constrained from thermal dust polarization data

- Validation based on 'realistic' simulations
- First MCMC fits on *Planck* 353-GHz polarization data (12 models: 3  $n_d$ , 4 GMF)

There is still room for improvements

- Matter density models
- GMF models
- Fitting approaches (treatment of the systematics)

before (?) including a description of the turbulence

Open questions

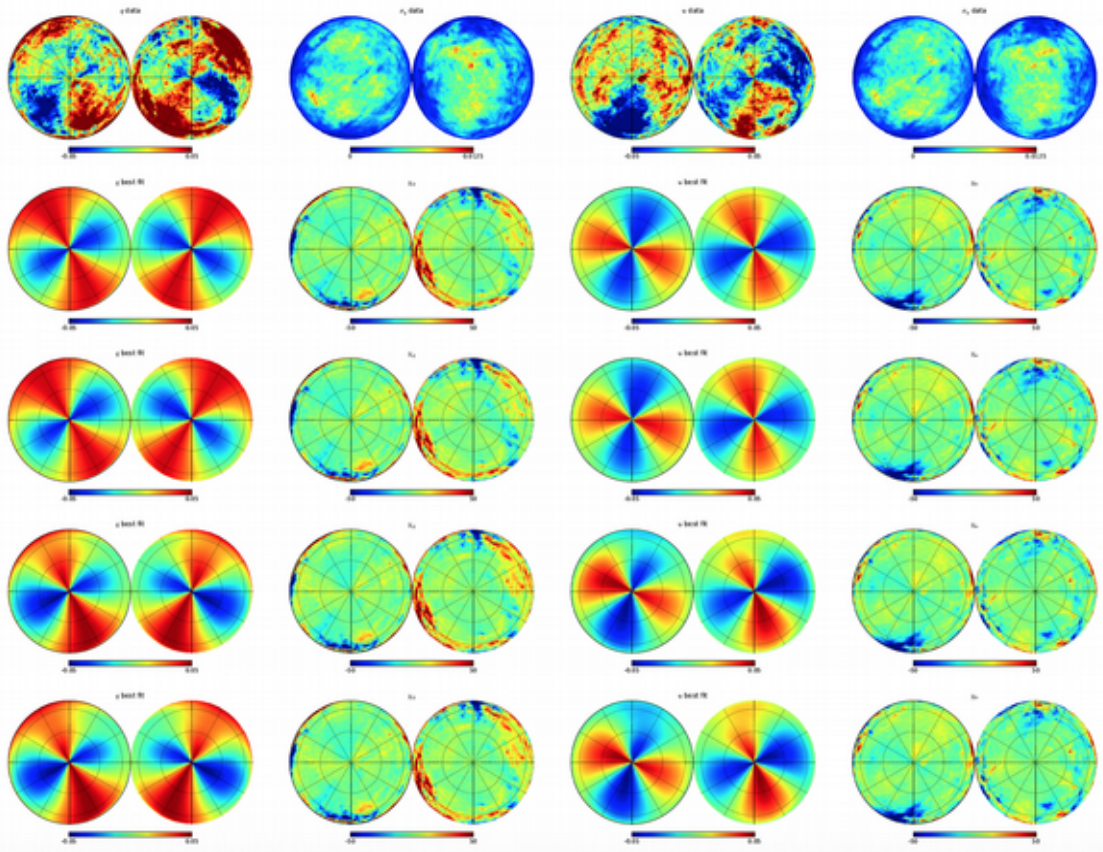
- How far can we go with the regular part of the field alone?
- How do the local and the global magnetic field connect?

Thank you

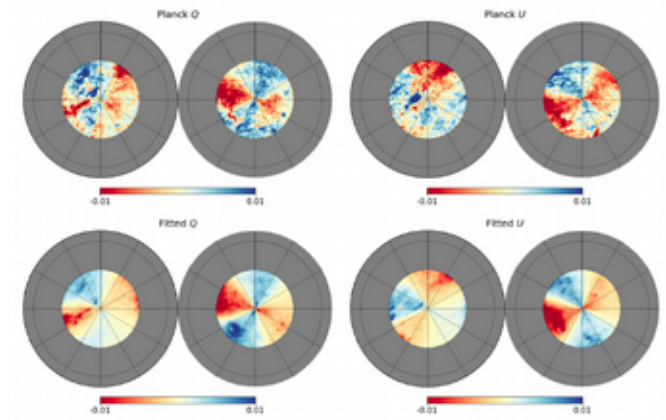
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Galactic caps to constrain local magnetized structures



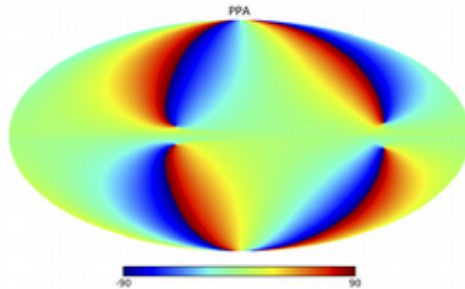
[Alves et al. 2018]

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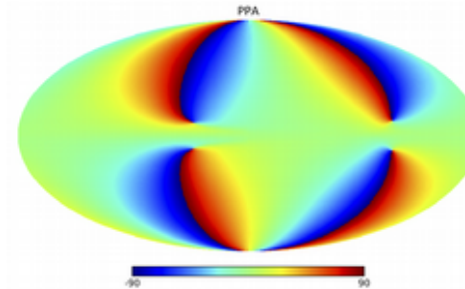
## GMF from dust data: [SIMULATIONS]

- GMF reconstruction
  - Reconstructed dust polarization position angle (deduced, not fitted)

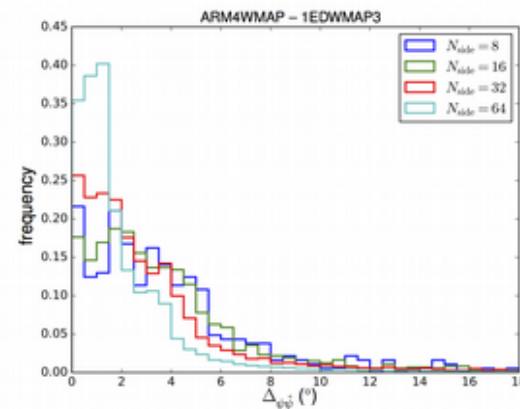
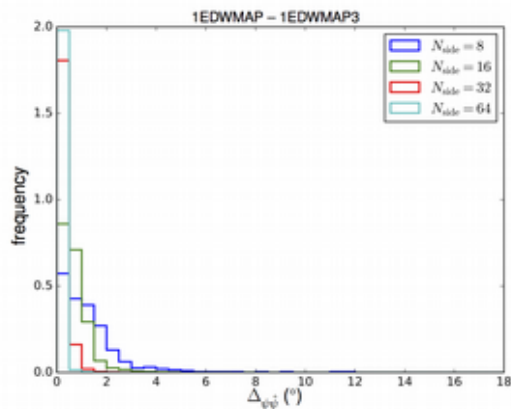
case A



case B



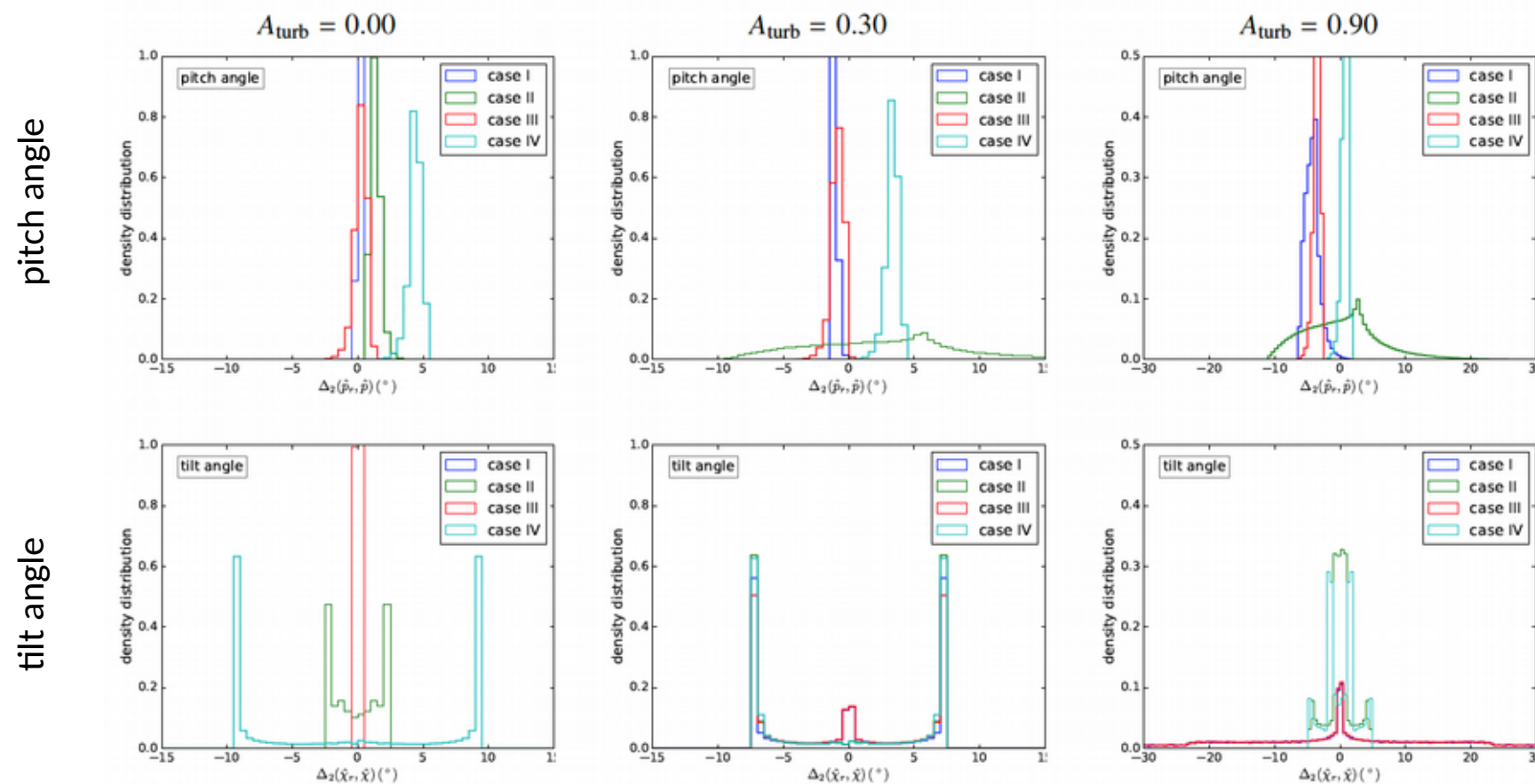
- Compared to the angle of the input model



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## Simulations

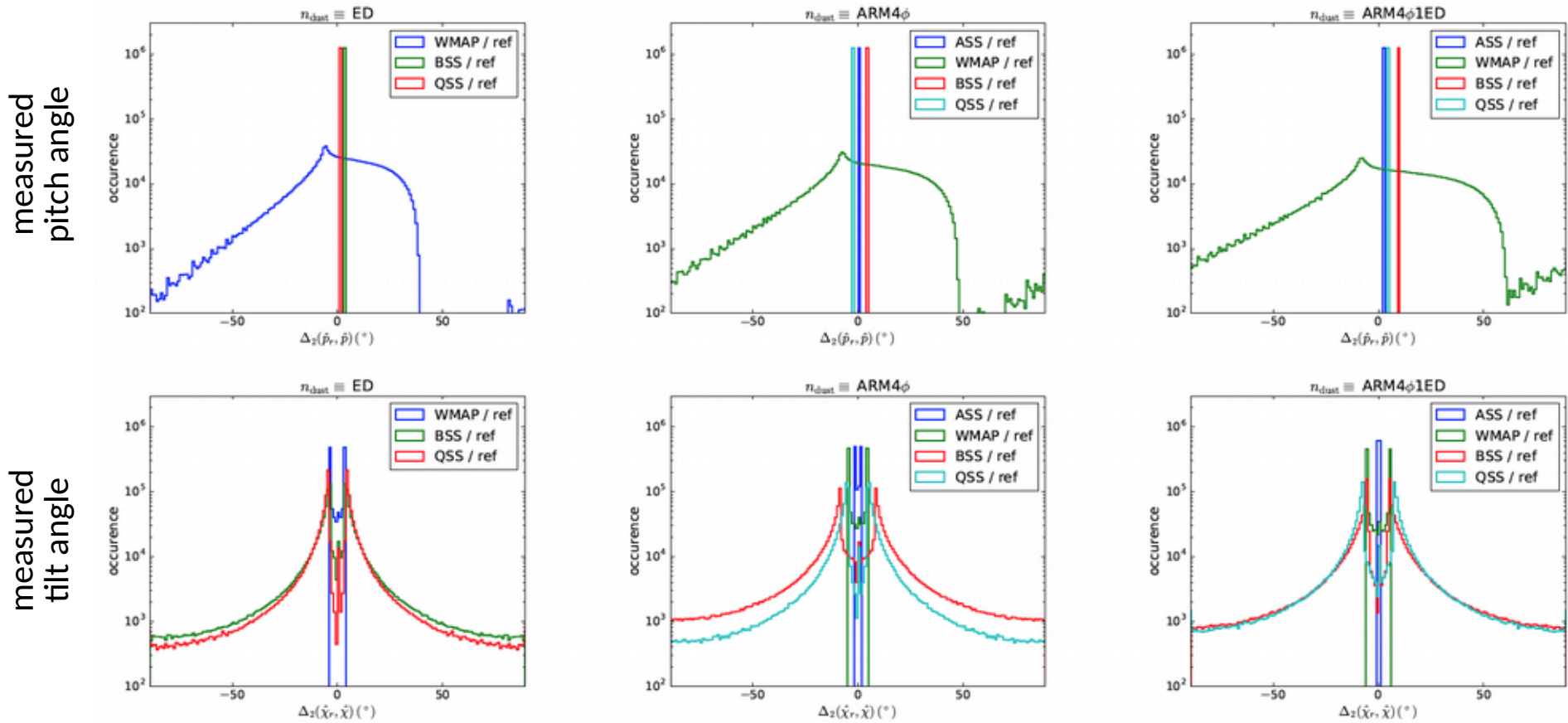
- Comparison of best-fit GMF models from  $(q, u)$  maps:
  - pitch and tilt angles at each location of the (3D) sampled space
  - comparison with the input model ( $n_d$ : 4SA – gmf: WMAP)



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## GMF from *Planck* 353-GHz full-sky polarization maps

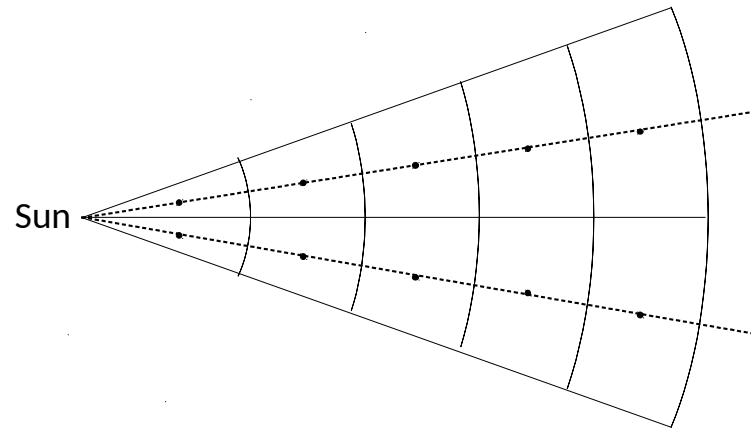
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  - comparison with the ones from ' $n_d = \text{ED} - \text{GMF} = \text{ASS}$ ' (the least evolved)



# Polarized Diffuse Galactic Foregrounds and GMF

## gpempy:

- Galactic space is sampled spherically around the Sun
  - ✓ angular sampling based on HEALPix tessellation [Górski+ 2005]
  - ✓ radial sampling = constant step
- Line-of-sight integration = sum over all (3D) cells along



- Matter density distribution evaluated at each point
- GMF vectors evaluated at each point
- the two are combined according to the relevant emission mechanism
- the mixture is then integrated to produce the map

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gpempy:

## GalaxyBasics

- Galactic space sampling
- Simple function for changes of coordinate system

## GalacticProfile

- Numerous models of matter density distribution;  
including bubbles, clouds, spiral arms, ...
- User-friendly  
e.g. allows for configuration files through dictionary facilities

## BFIELD

- Numerous models of regular GMF;  
including rings, spiral arms, ...
- User-friendly  
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## GalacticForegrounds

- Implementation of emission mechanisms  
Synchrotron and thermal dust [Lee & Drain and corrected version of Fauvet et al. 2011]
- Line-of-sight integration