

The Galactic Magnetic Field and UHECR Deflections

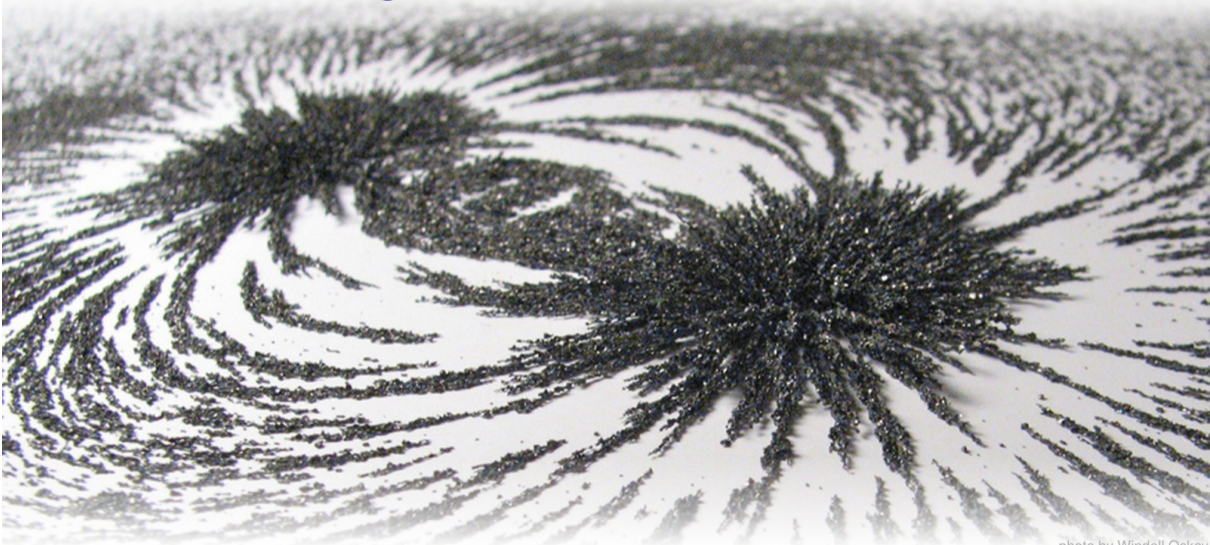


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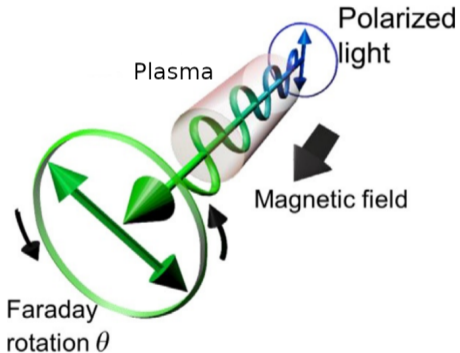
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Observational Tracers of the Galactic Magnetic Field (GMF) used in this work

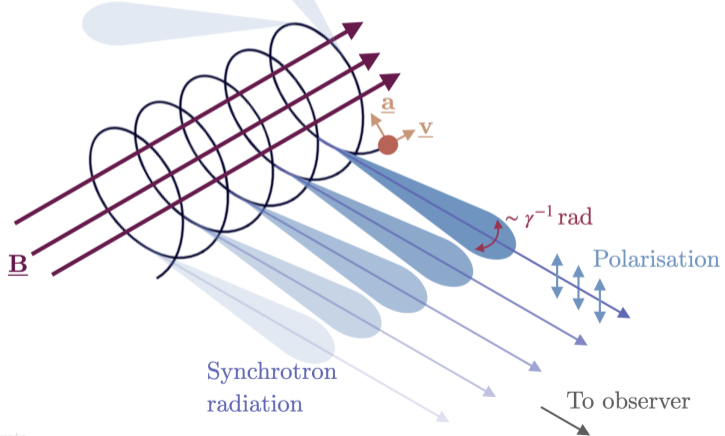
Faraday Rotation

of extragalactic radio sources



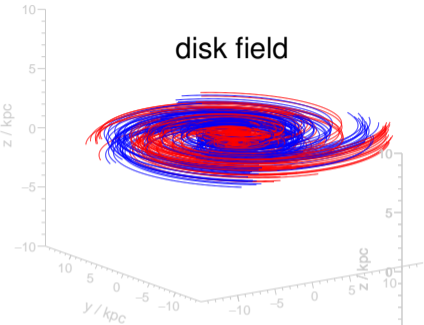
Synchrotron Radiation

of cosmic-ray electrons

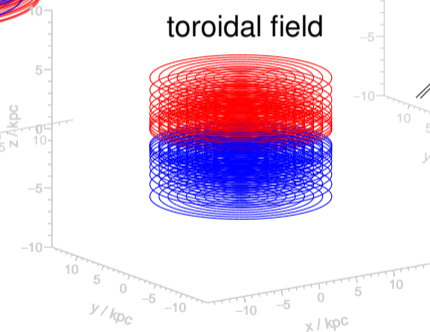


Parametric GMF Components

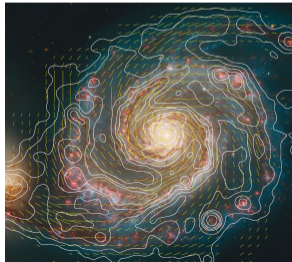
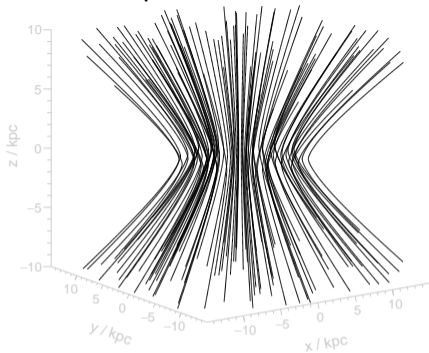
disk field



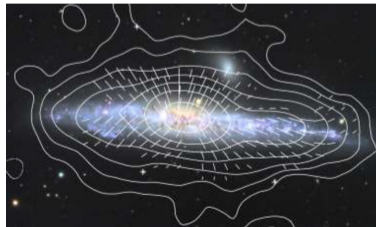
toroidal field



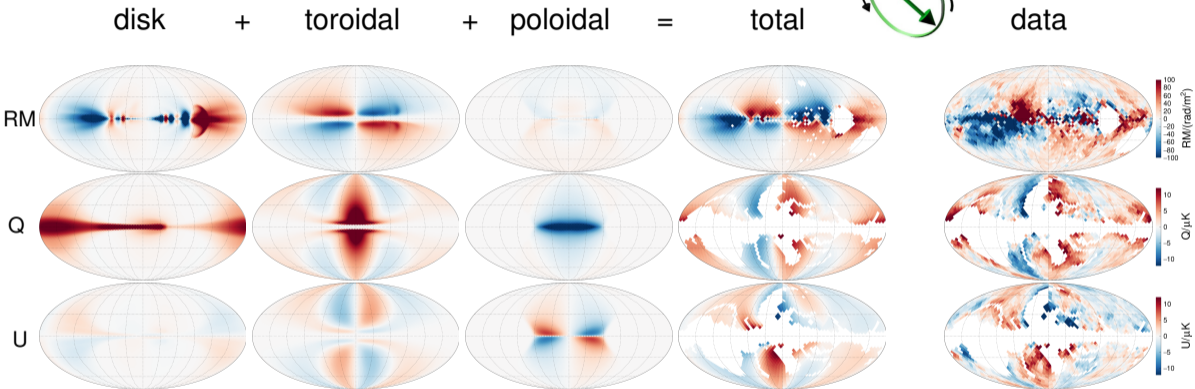
poloidal field



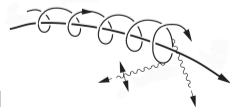
UF23 solenoidal field components
(major refinement of JF12 functions)



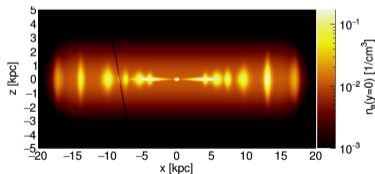
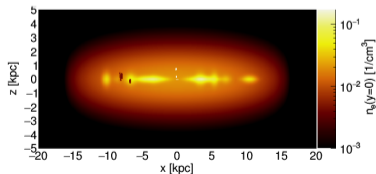
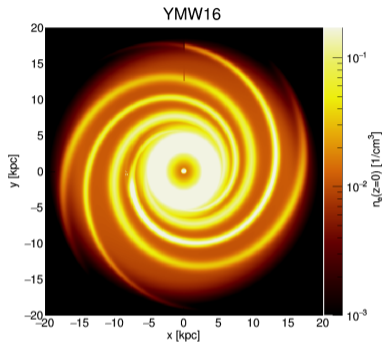
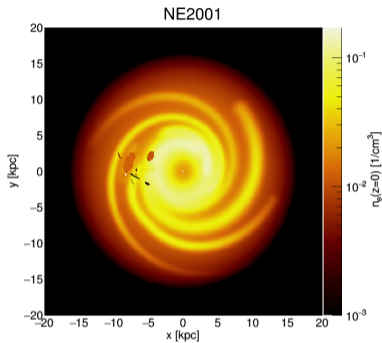
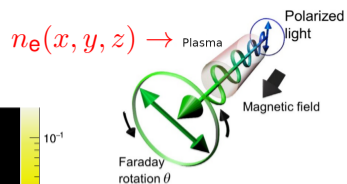
Adjustment of Model Parameters to Data



- 6520 data points
- 15-20 parameters
- typical reduced $\chi^2/n_{df} = 1.2...1.3$, depending on model



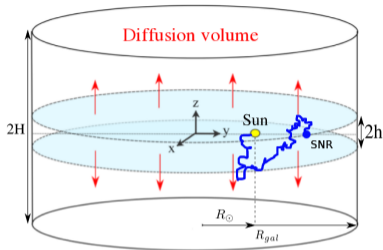
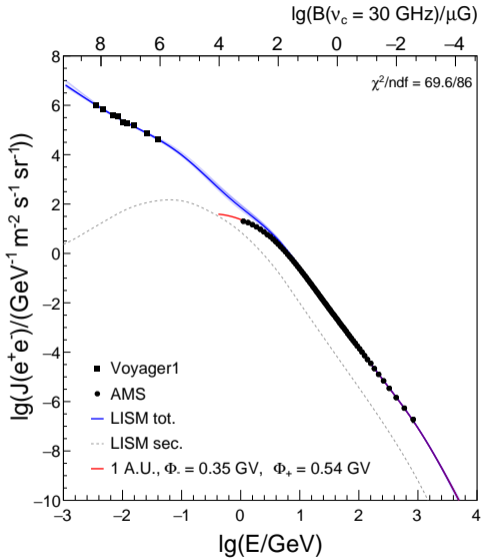
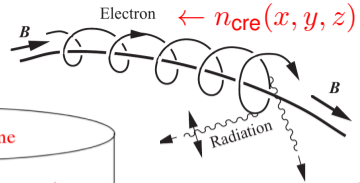
Uncertainties: Thermal Electron Models



112 pulsar DMs

189 pulsar DMs

Uncertainties: Cosmic-Ray Electrons



homogenous and isotropic diffusion $D_0 \propto R^\delta$ (rigidity R)

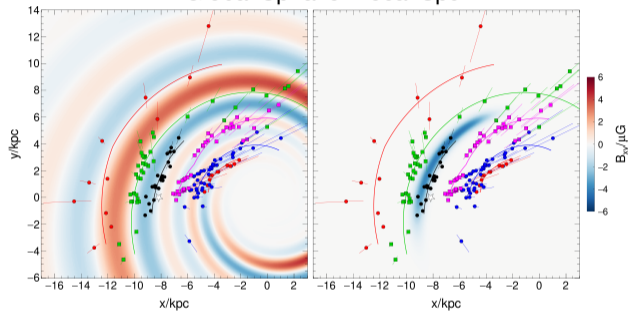


constrained by local lepton flux and D_0/H from B/C

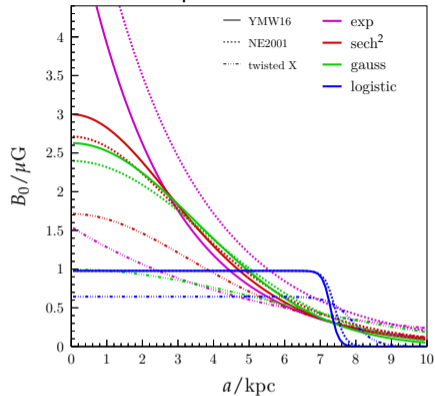
Uncertainties: Model Assumptions

Examples:

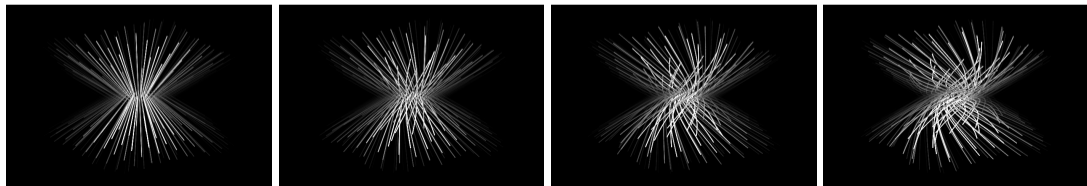
Global Spiral or Local Spur?



radial dependence of X-field?

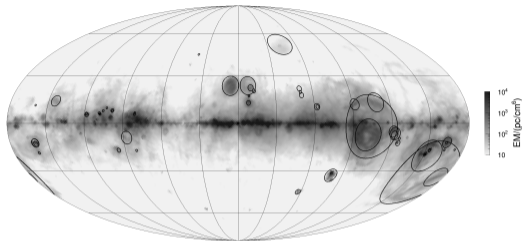


X-field and toroidal field or twisted X-field?

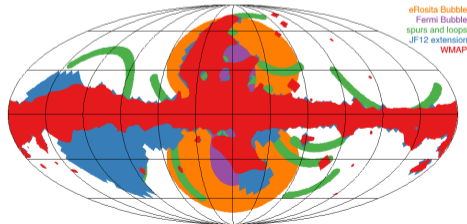


Uncertainties: Foregrounds a) Small-Scale Structures

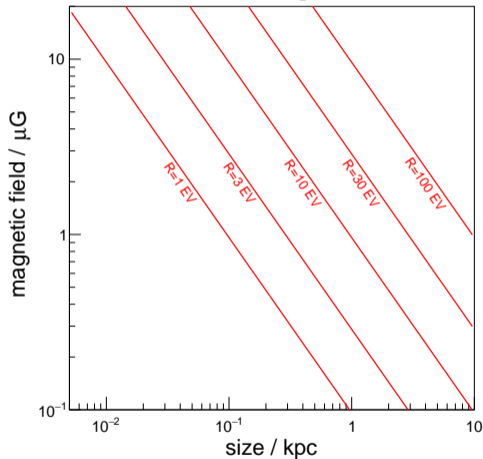
mask HII regions (atypical n_e)



mask loops and spurs (atypical B and n_{cre})



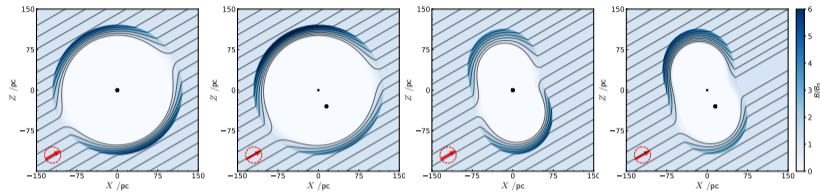
deflection angle $< 5^\circ$



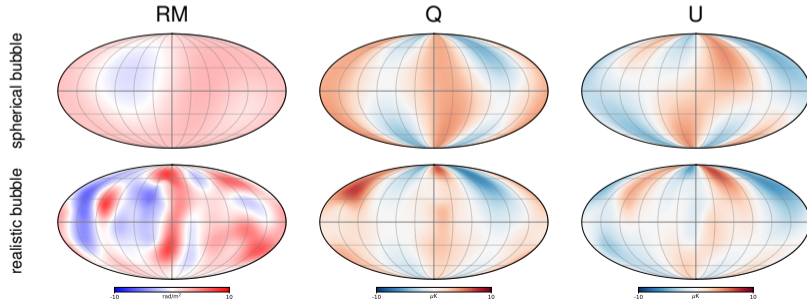
distinction small- and large-scale not always unambiguous, e.g. North Polar Spur or Fan Region (see A. Korochkin's talk)

Uncertainties: Foregrounds b) Local Bubble

examples of solenoidal bubble fields:



contribution to Faraday rotation and synchrotron emission:

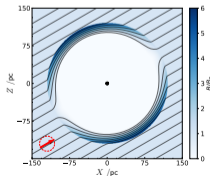
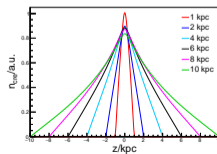
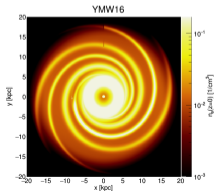
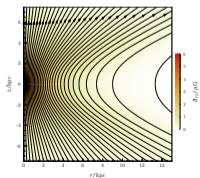
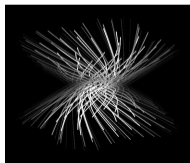


→ for more details check the poster by Vincent Pelgrims! (see also talk by A. Korochkin)

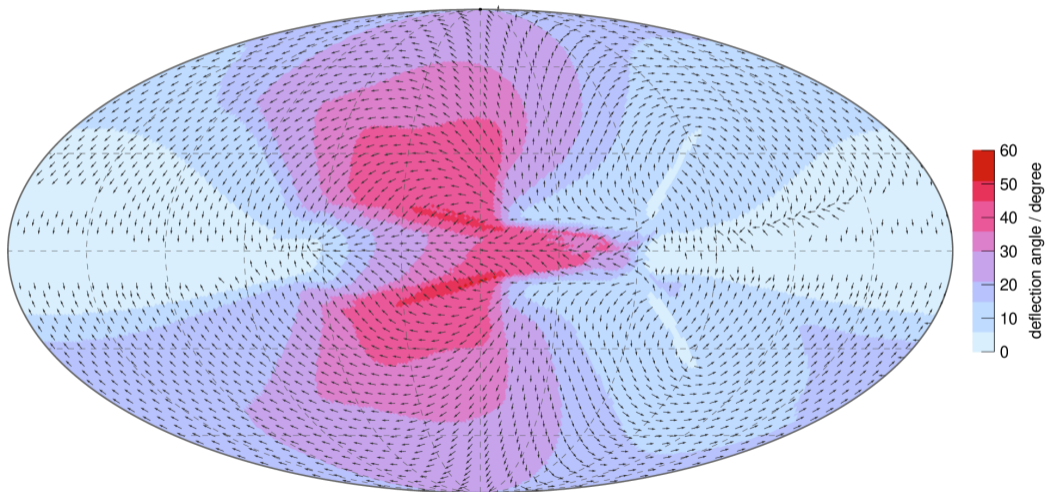
Model Variations

9 variations (subset of ~ 200 models giving the greatest diversity of CR deflection predictions):

| name | variation | χ^2/ndf |
|--------|--|---------------------|
| base | fiducial model | 1.22 |
| expX | radial dependence of X-field | 1.30 |
| spur | replace grand spiral by local spur (Orion arm) | 1.23 |
| neCL | change thermal electron model (NE2001 instead of YMW16) | 1.19 |
| twistX | unified halo model via twisted X-field | 1.26 |
| nebCor | n_e - B correlation | 1.22 |
| cre10 | cosmic-ray electron vertical scale height | 1.22 |
| synCG | use COSMOGLOBE synchrotron maps | 1.50 |
| locBub | local bubble (<u>preliminary</u> , spherical approximation) | 1.17 |

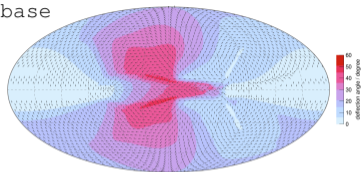


Deflections at 20 EV (base model) (backtracking)

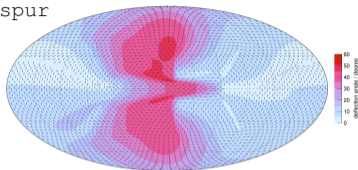


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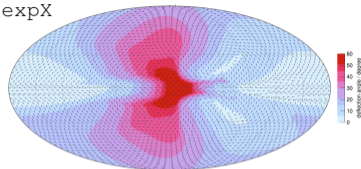
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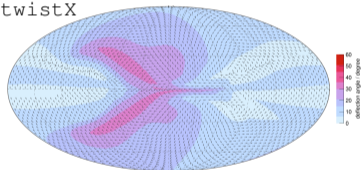
spur



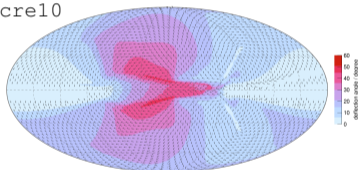
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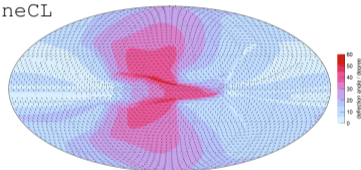
twistX



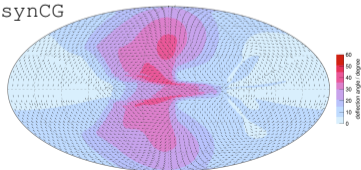
cre10



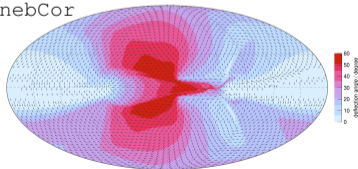
neCL



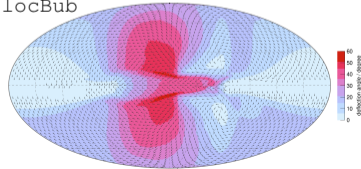
synCG



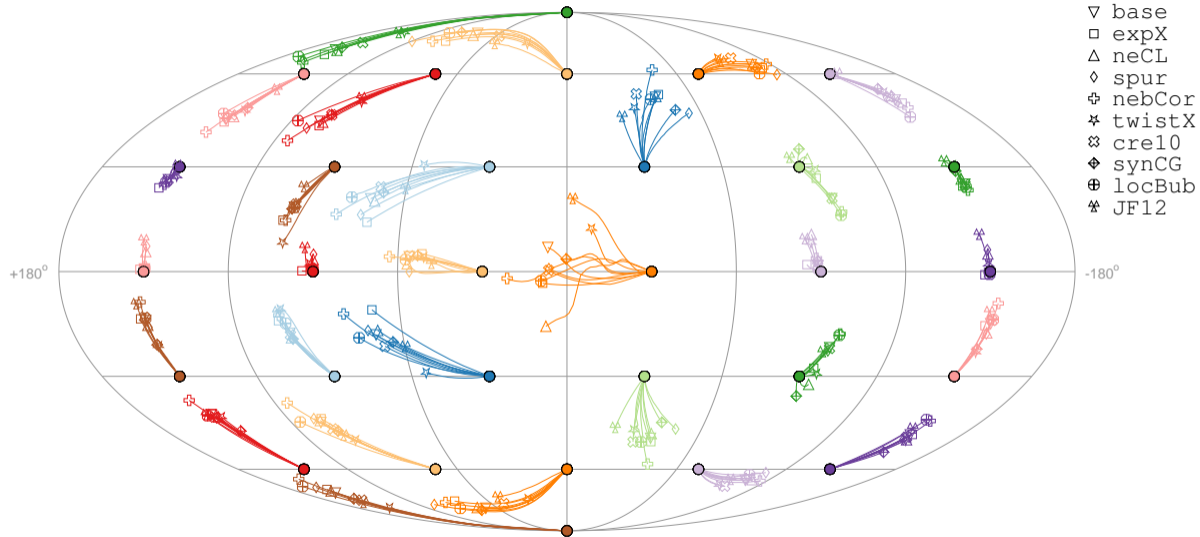
nebCor



locBub



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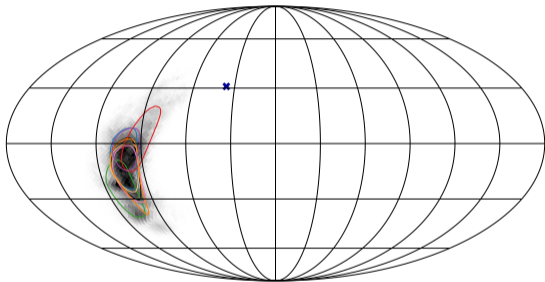
Application: Arrival Direction of “Amaterasu” Particle

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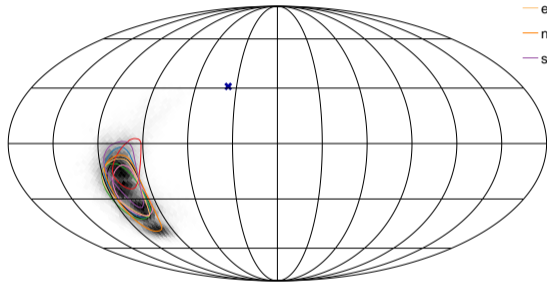
✱ arrival direction

- ✱ JF12
- base
- cre10
- nebCor
- spur
- twistX
- expX
- neCL
- synCG

$$E_{\text{nom}} = (2.12 \pm 0.25) \times 10^{20} \text{ eV}$$



$$E_{\text{low}} = (1.64 \pm 0.19) \times 10^{20} \text{ eV}$$



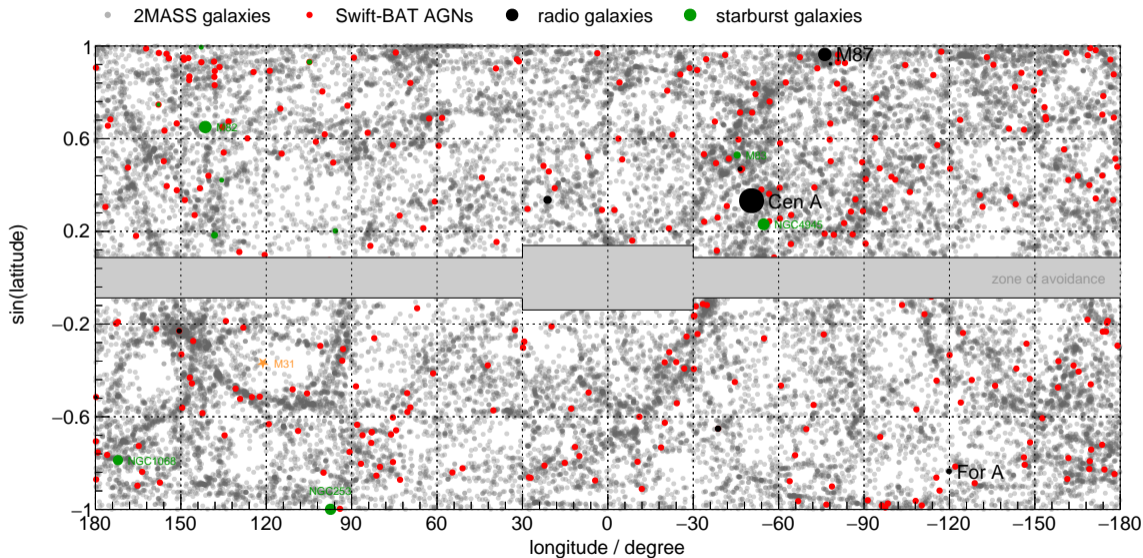
density / a.u.

localization uncertainty: **6.6% of 4π or 2726 deg^2**

uncertainty of coherent deflection, random field, Galactic variance, TA energy scale, statistical uncertainty of E (assuming Fe)

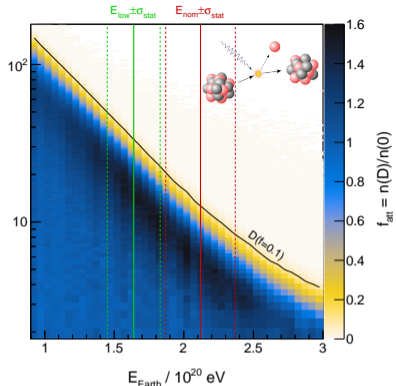
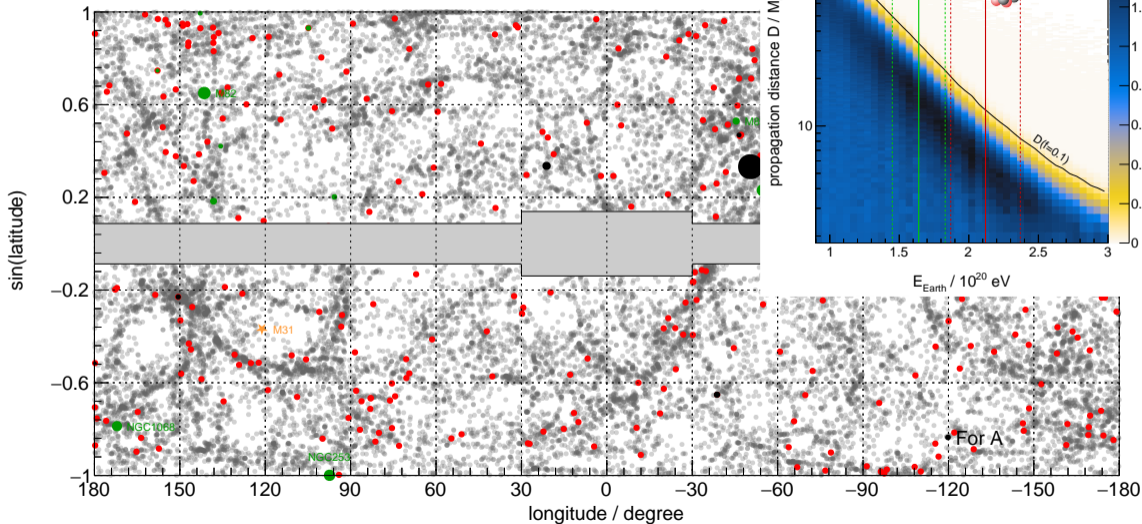
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Distribution of galaxies up to D=150 Mpc



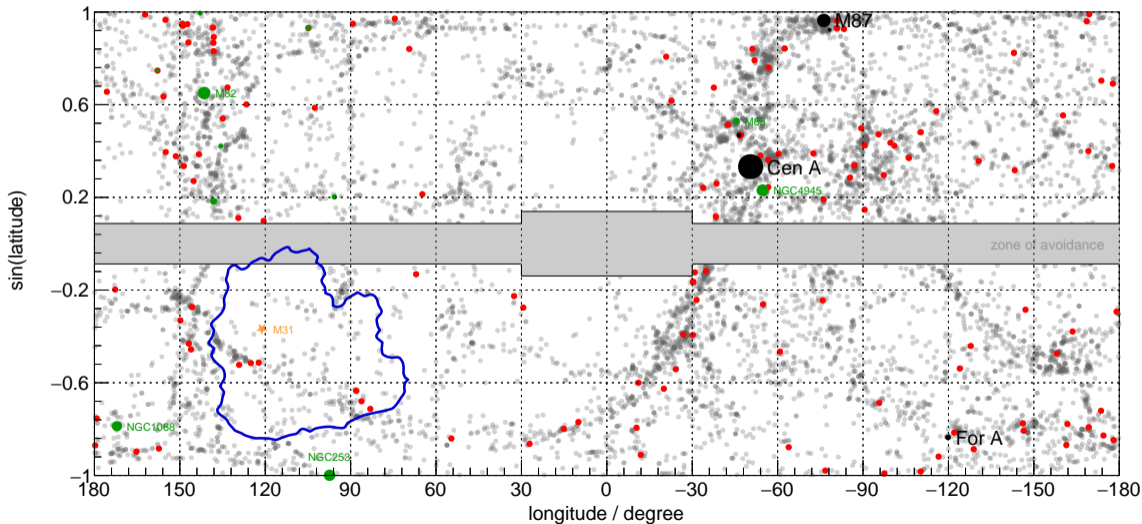
Distribution of galaxies up to $D=150$ Mpc

● 2MASS galaxies
 ● Swift-BAT AGNs
 ● radio galaxies
 ● starbl



$E_{\text{low}} - 2\sigma$, $D_{0.1}=72$ Mpc

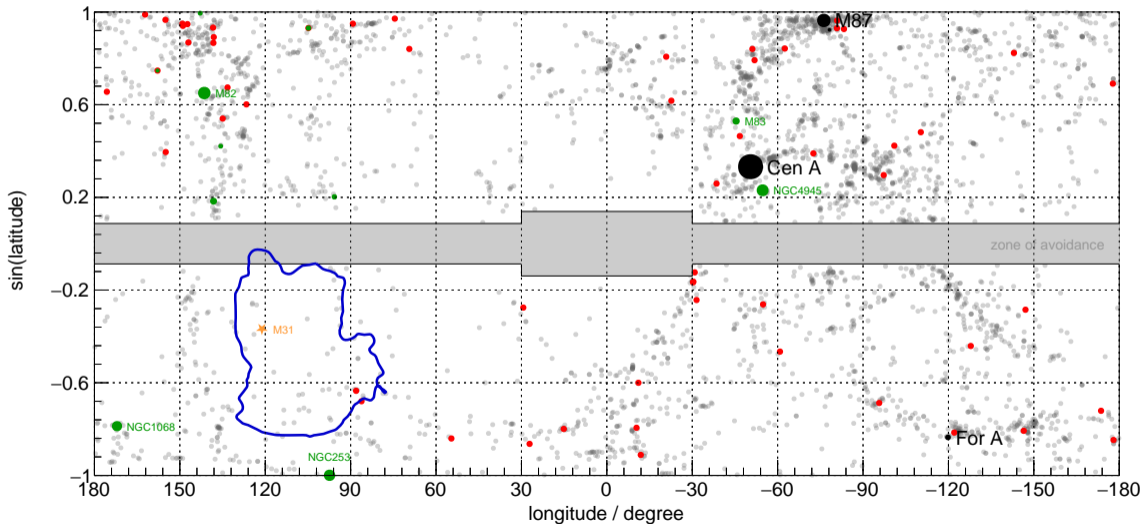
• 2MASS galaxies • Swift-BAT AGNs • radio galaxies • starburst galaxies — Amaterasu localization



(blue localization contour: $\rho_i < 0.05$ with $\rho_i = \max_{1 \leq j \leq 8} \rho_{ij}$ and $\rho_{ij} = N_{ij}/N_{\text{max},j}$, pixel i and model j)

$E_{\text{low}} - 1\sigma$, $D_{0.1}=42$ Mpc

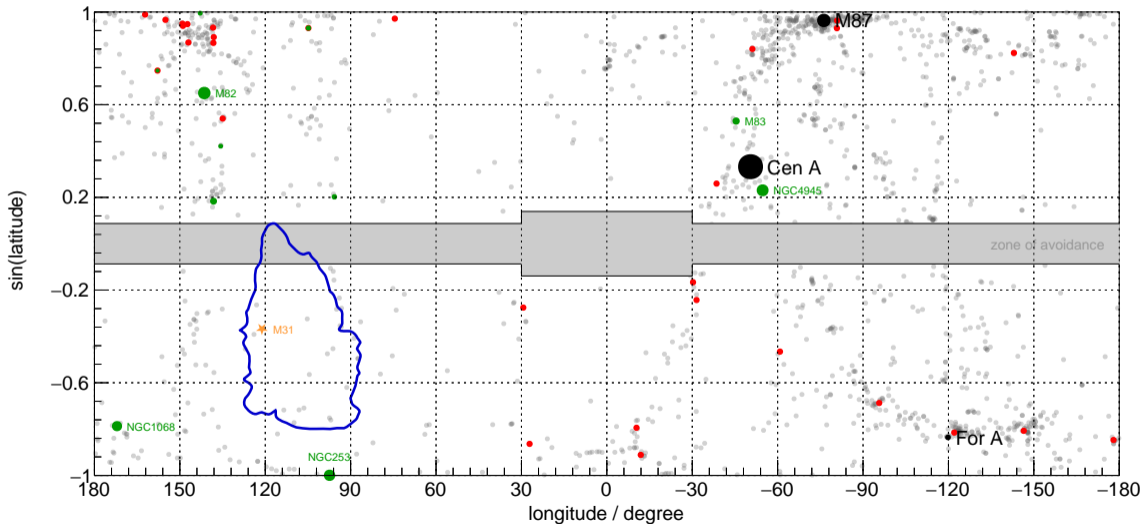
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E_{low} , $D_{0.1}=25$ Mpc

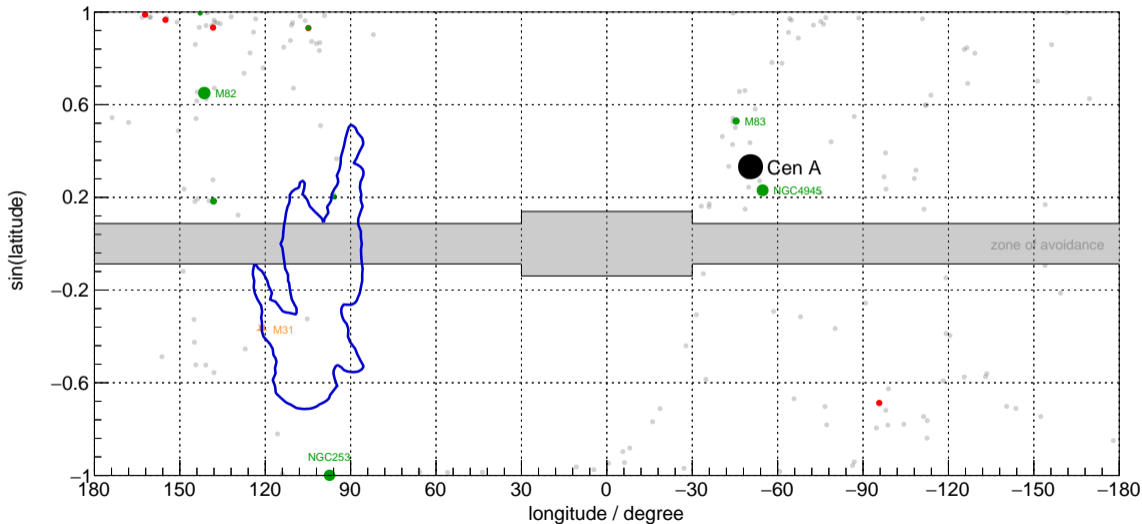
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E_{nom} , $D_{0.1}=10$ Mpc

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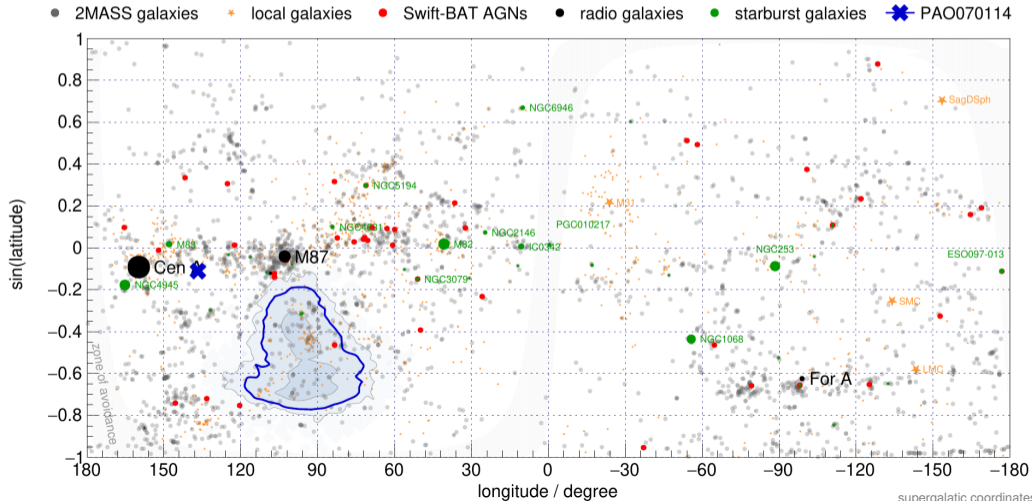


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Application: Arrival Direction of the Top 4 Auger Events

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| id | E (EeV) | $\sigma_{\text{stat.}}$ (EeV) | R.A. (degree) | Dec. (degree) | $\Omega_{\text{loc}} / 4\pi$ - | θ_{loc} (degree) |
|-----------|--------------|----------------------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| PAO191110 | 166 | 13 | 128.9 | -52.0 | 7.1% | 31 |
| PAO070114 | 165 | 13 | 192.9 | -21.2 | 2.4% | 18 |
| PAO141021 | 155 | 12 | 102.9 | -37.8 | 6.3% | 29 |
| PAO200611 | 155 | 12 | 107.2 | -47.6 | 6.6% | 29 |




Summary and Outlook

UF23 model ensemble: (MU&G.R. Farrar ApJ 970 (2024) 95)

- fit to newest RM, Q, U data
- major refinement of JF12 GMF components
- uncertainty of coherent GMF for UHECR tracking (...and other applications)
- test association of UHE arrival directions with source candidates

Availability:

-  [GitHub link](#) (C++)
- [CR/Propa link](#) (C++)
- [gammaALPs link](#) (python)

Next Steps:

- include more data to decrease uncertainties (pulsar RMs, dust, ...)
- explore further sources of uncertainty (functional forms, foregrounds, n_e , n_{cre})
- extend analysis to turbulent component