

# Imprint of radio loops on the CMB

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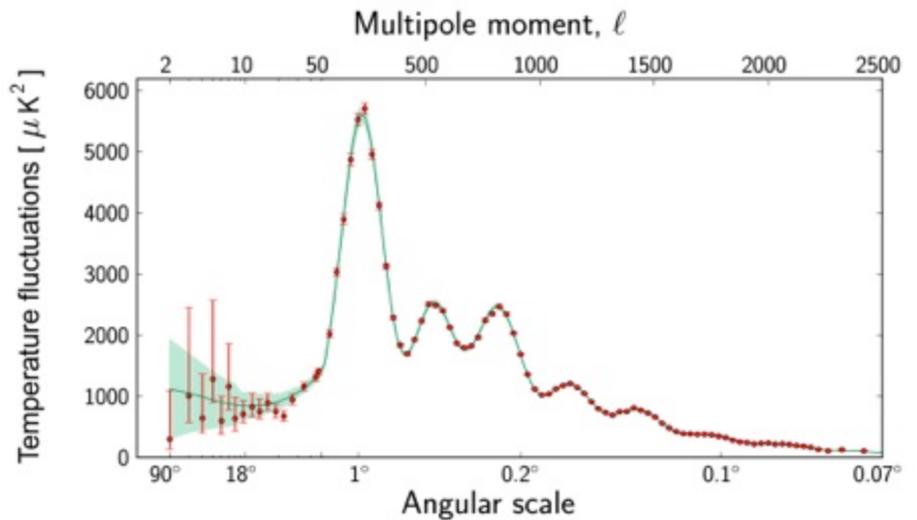
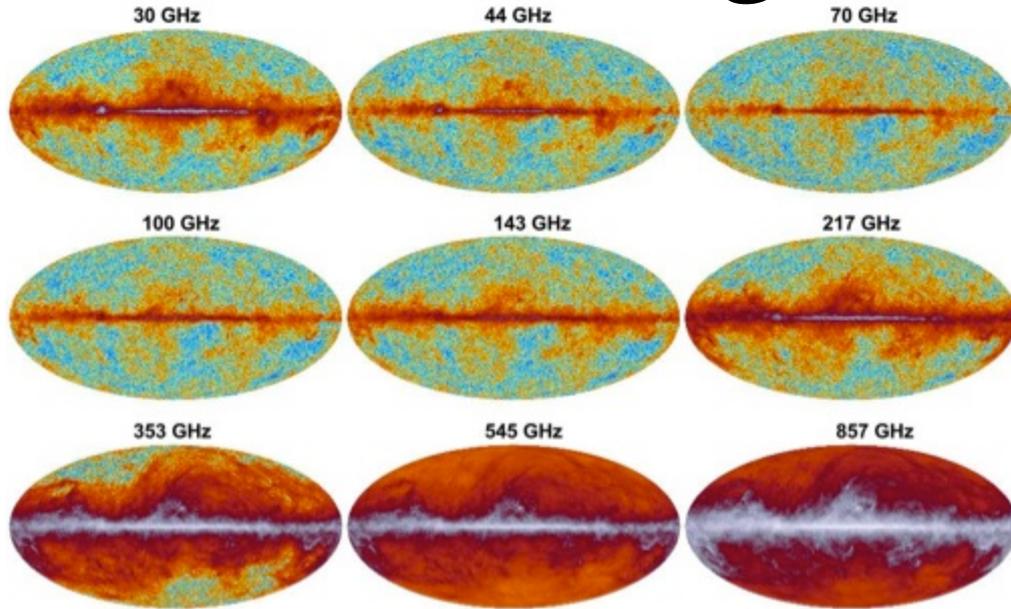
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# CMB foreground removal

Planck Coll., arXiv:1303.5072



# Foreground removal

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- mask out strongly contaminated regions:  
Galactic disk & point sources
- look at uncontaminated regions

## actively removing foregrounds

- 1) ILC (Internal Linear Combination):  
exploiting different spectral behaviour
- 2) template subtraction:  
exploiting different (spatial) distribution

# Internal Linear Combination

WMAP maps

$$T_{\text{ILC}}(p) = \sum_i \zeta_i T_i(p) = \sum_i \zeta_i [T_c(p) + S_i T_f(p)]$$

can be thought of as sum of CMB and foreground map with spectrum

reduce “presence” of foreground in ILC by minimising the ILC variance, but due to CMB-foreground correlation

$$\sigma_{\text{ILC}}^2 = \sigma_c^2 - \sigma_{cf}^2 / \sigma_f^2 \leq \sigma_c^2$$

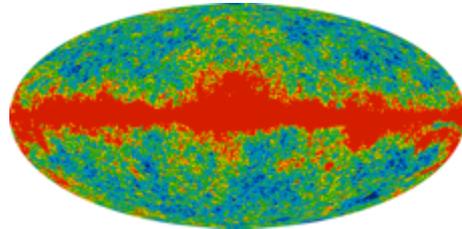
advantage: no external maps needed

issue: ILC map somewhat biased

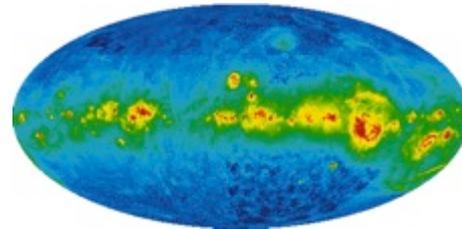
# Template subtraction

$\chi^2$  fit to data with

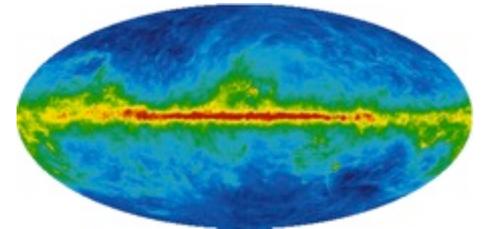
foreground model:  $M(\nu, p) = b_1(\nu)(T_K - T_{Ka}) + b_2(\nu)I_{H\alpha} + b_3(\nu)M_d$



(K-Ka) difference map:  
certain combination of  
synchrotron and  
free-free



H  $\alpha$  map:  
tracer of free-free

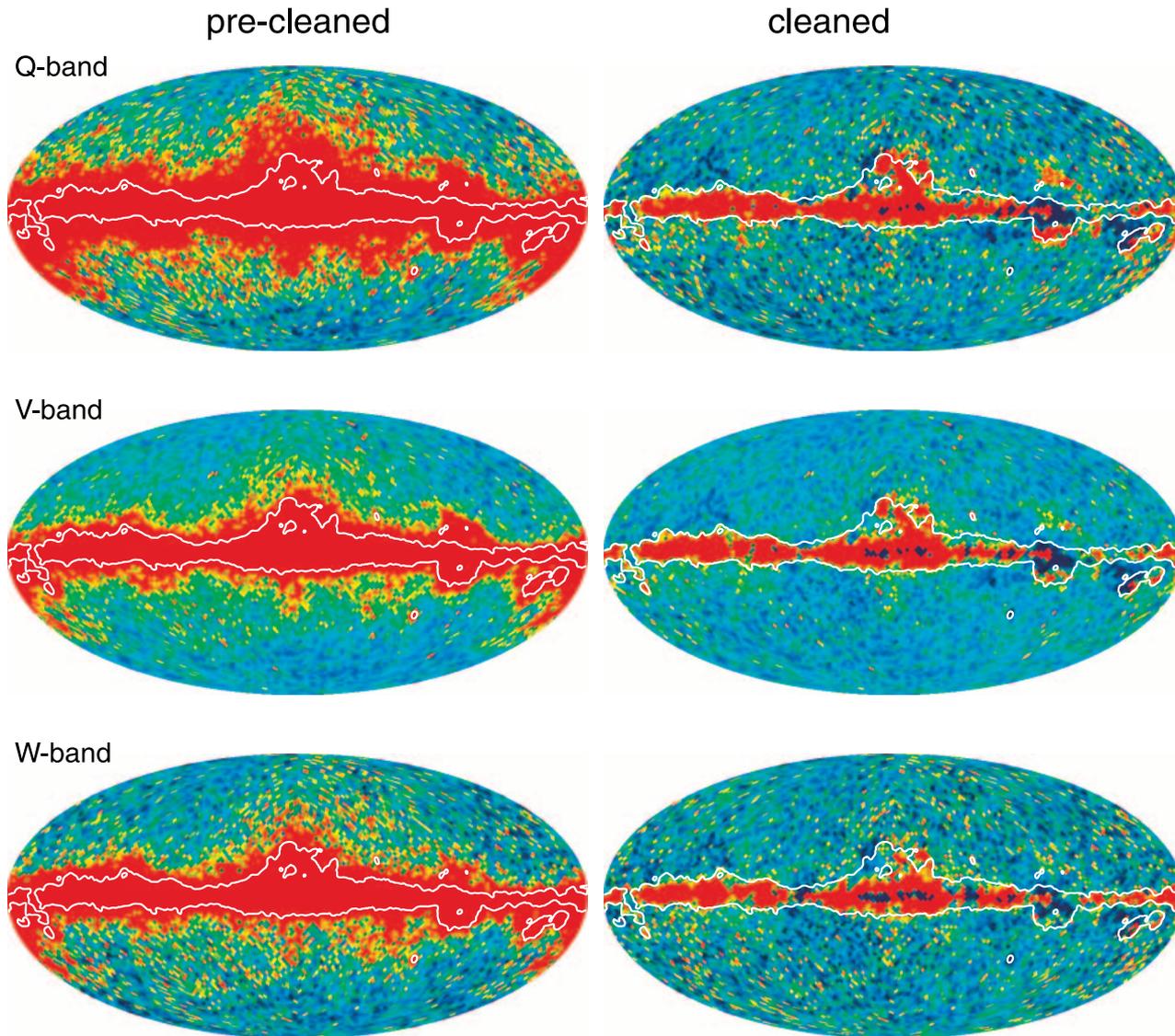


IR map (extrapolated  
to 94 GHz):  
tracer of dust

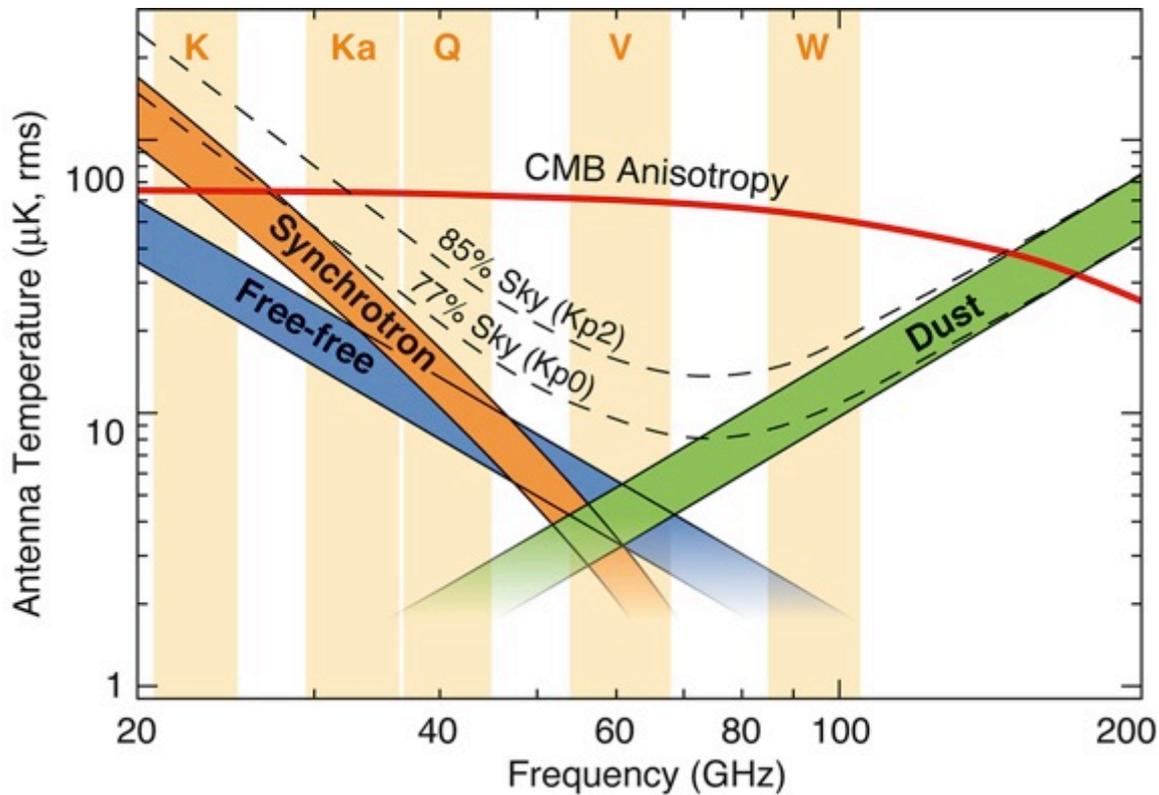
advantage: extract spectral information about foregrounds  
issue: direction-dependent spectral indices/morphological  
changes with frequency

# Before and after

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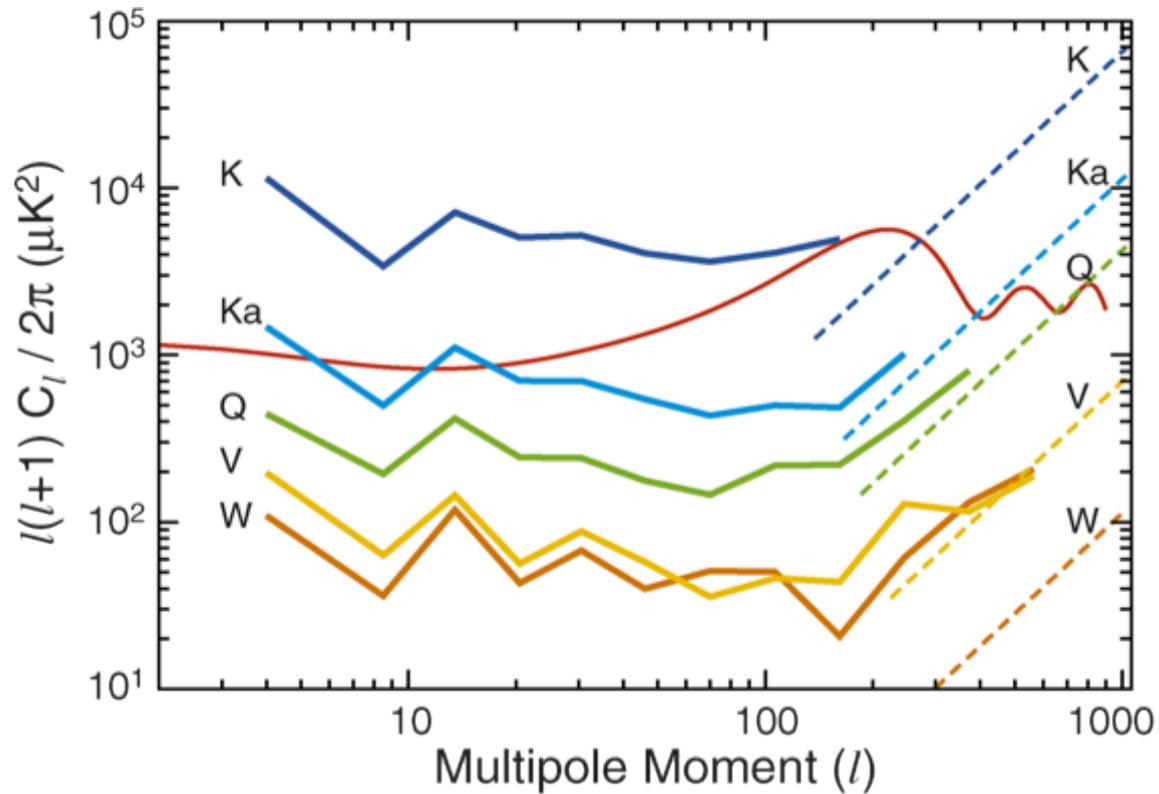


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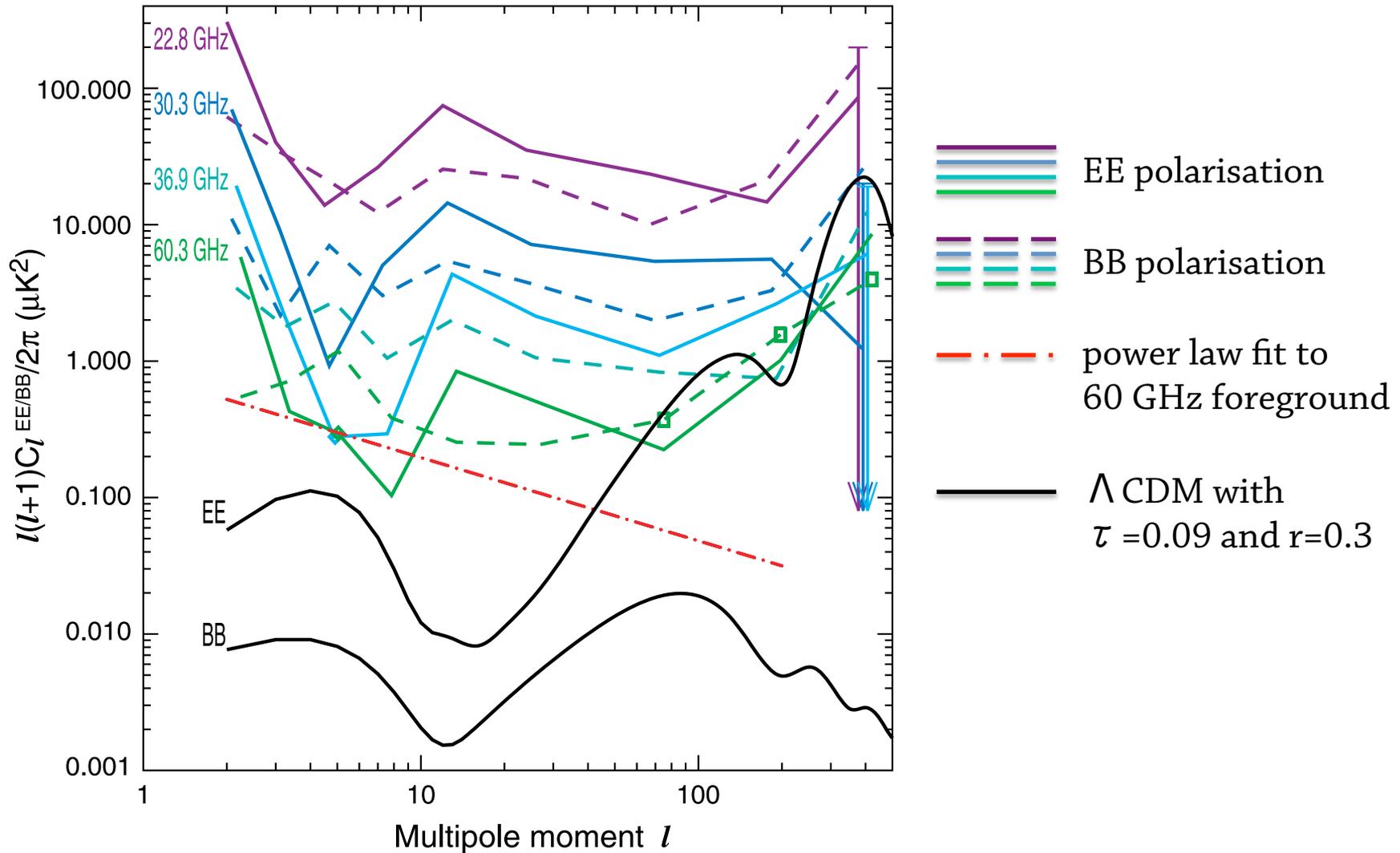


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Bennett *et al.*, ApJS 148 (2003) 97

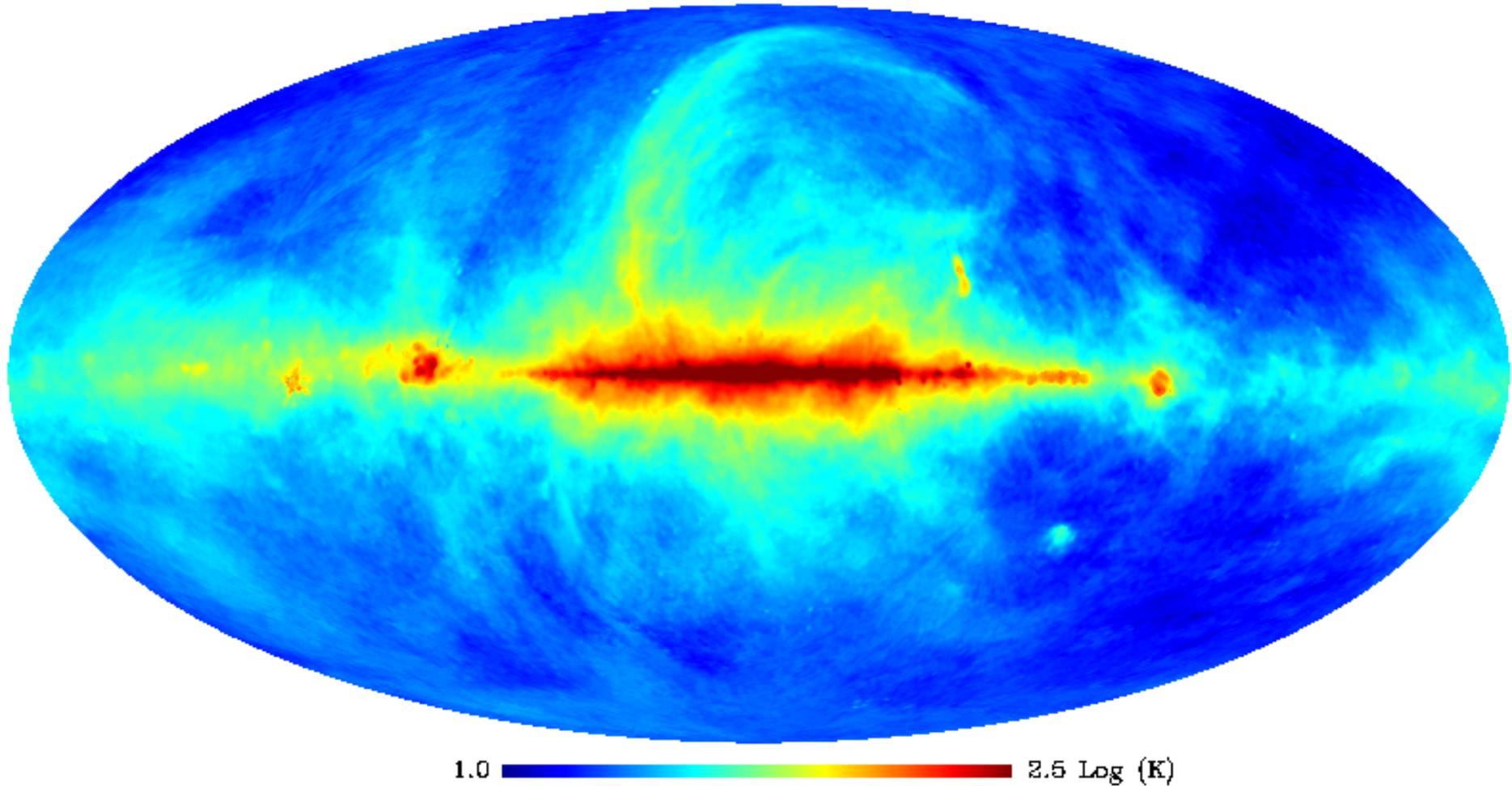


# Polarised emission



# Haslam 408 MHz

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# The galactic radio background...

... is predominantly synchrotron of CR electrons on the galactic magnetic fields...

$$P(\mathbf{r}; \nu) = \int dE n_e(\mathbf{r}; E) \frac{\sqrt{3}e^3 B_\perp(\mathbf{r})}{8\pi^2 \varepsilon_0 c m_e} F\left(\frac{\nu}{\nu_c}\right)$$

$$\text{where } \nu_c = \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{E}{m_e}\right)^2 \frac{B_\perp(\mathbf{r})}{B(\mathbf{r})}$$

$$\text{and } F(x) = x \int_x^\infty dx' K_{5/3}(x')$$

... and we look at its line-of-sight projections:

$$F(l, b; \nu) = \int ds P(\mathbf{r}_{\text{LOS}}(s, l, b); \nu)$$

# Ingredients

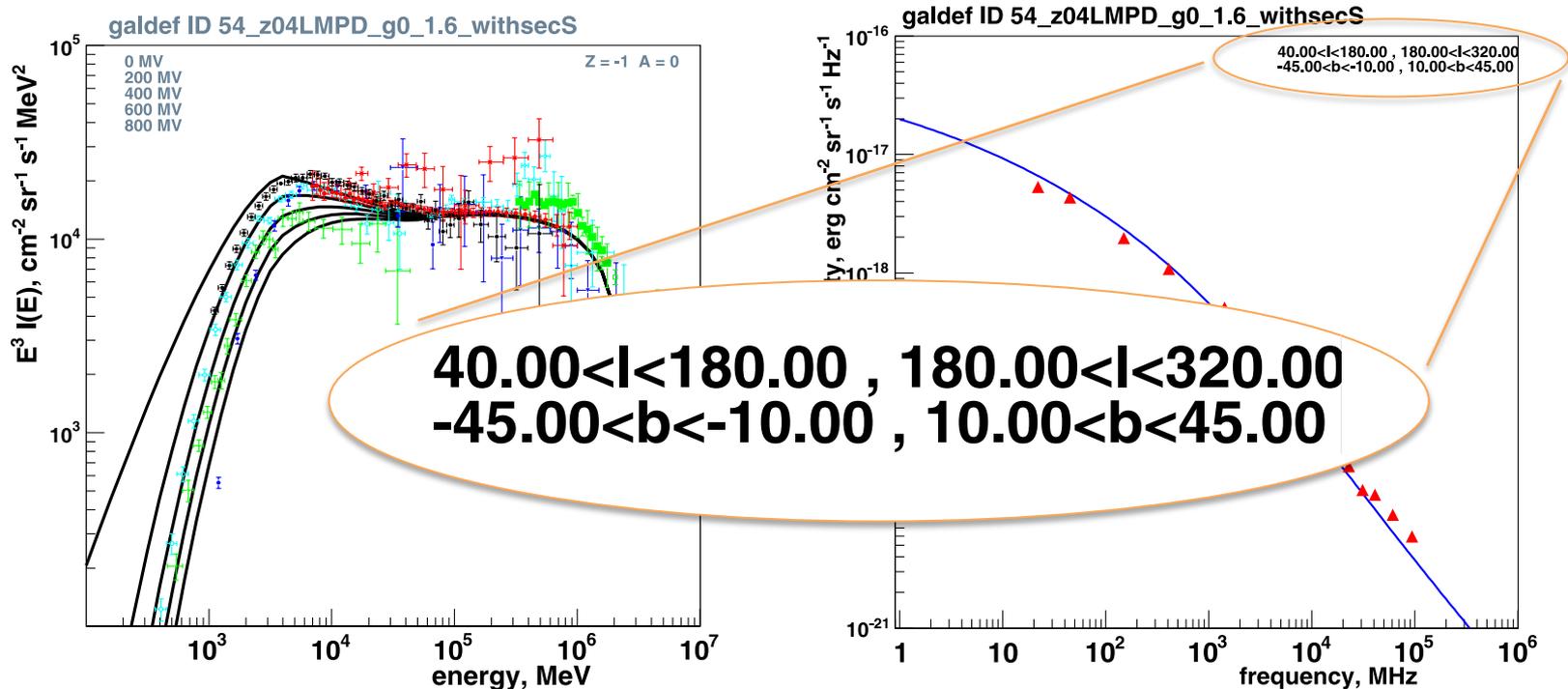
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- CR electrons:
- sources: SNRs! pulsars? PWNe?  
large-scale distribution?!
  - conceptual: stochasticity of sources?
  - propagation: diffusive! convective?  
reacceleration? energy losses?

- Galactic magnetic fields:
- large-scale, ordered component
  - small-scale, turbulent component

# Local $e^-$ spectrum and synchrotron

Strong *et al.*, A&A 534 (2011) A54

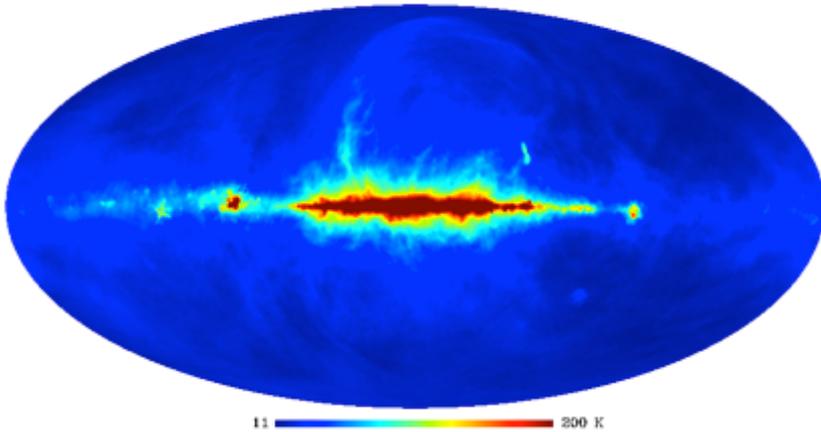


- require break in IS electron spectrum, e.g. at source:  $\mathcal{R}^{-1.5} \rightarrow \mathcal{R}^{-2.2}$
- fix local (turbulent) magnetic field:  $\sim 8 \mu\text{G}$
- constrain certain propagation models, e.g. disfavour reacceleration

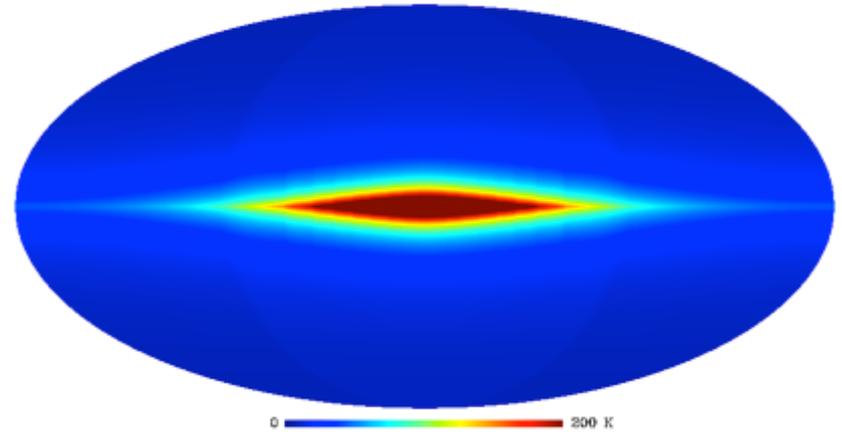
# Haslam vs GALPROP

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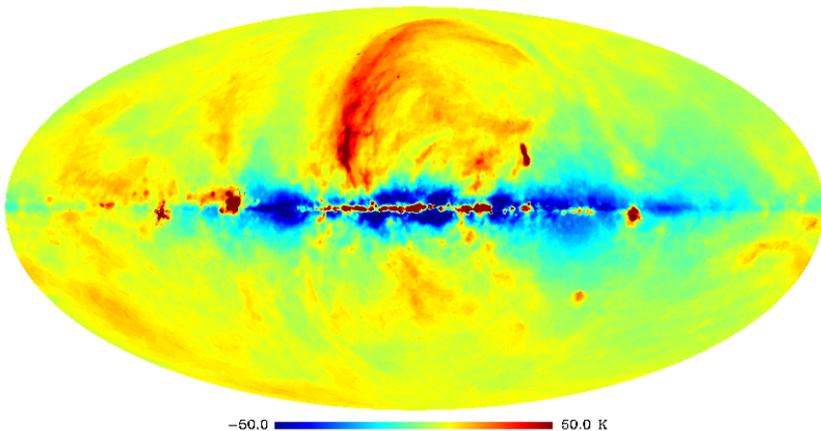
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GALPROP 408 MHz



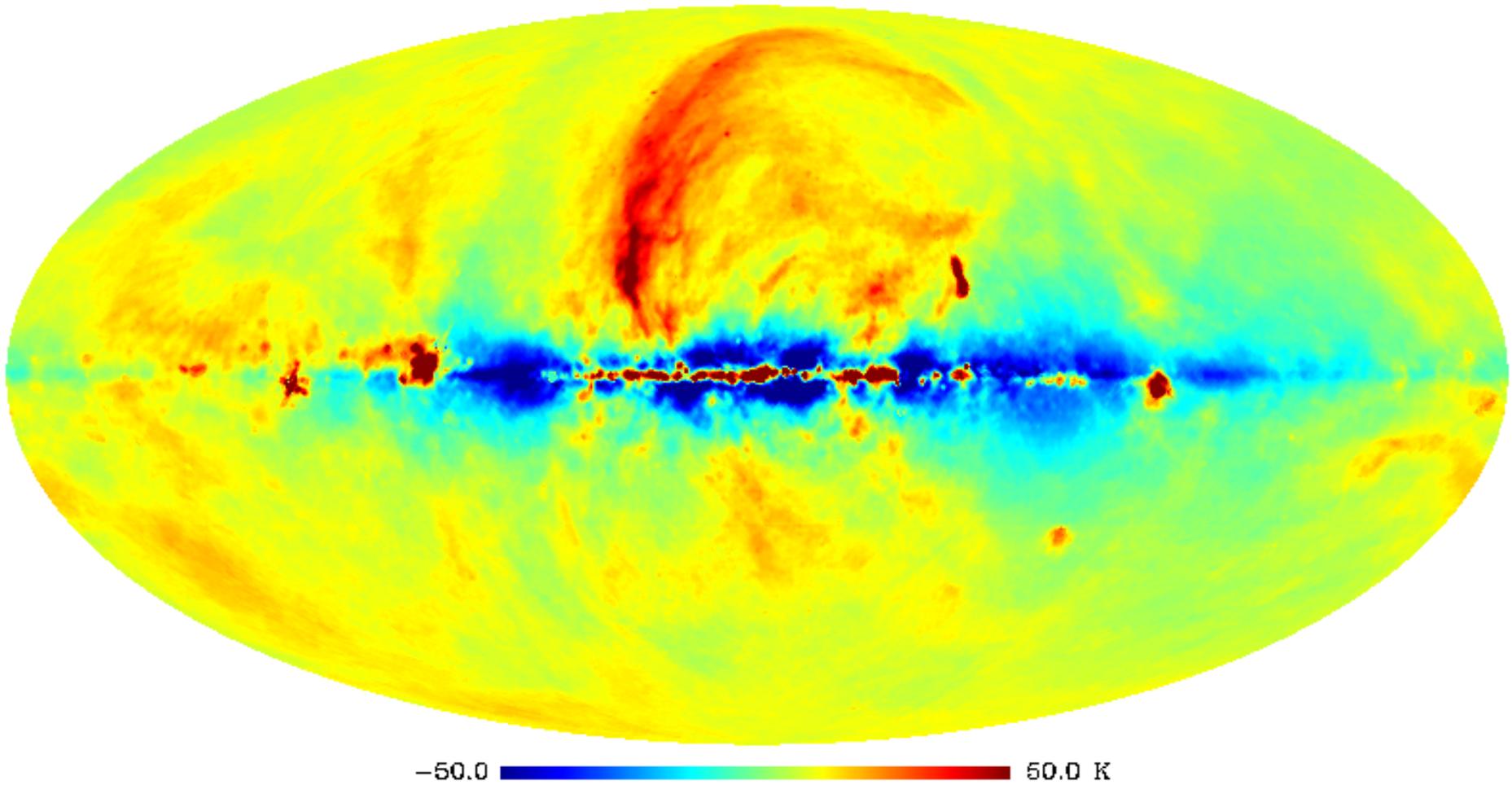
Haslam minus GALPROP



averaging over large parts of the sky...

- assumes factorisation in longitude and latitude
- leads to loss of sensitivity for structures on intermediate scales

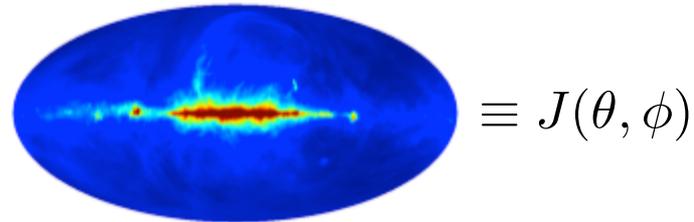
# Difference: Haslam - GALPROP



# Angular power spectrum

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1. radio sky:



2. spherical harmonics:

$$J(\theta, \phi) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\ell}^{\ell} a_{\ell m} Y_{\ell m}(\theta, \phi)$$

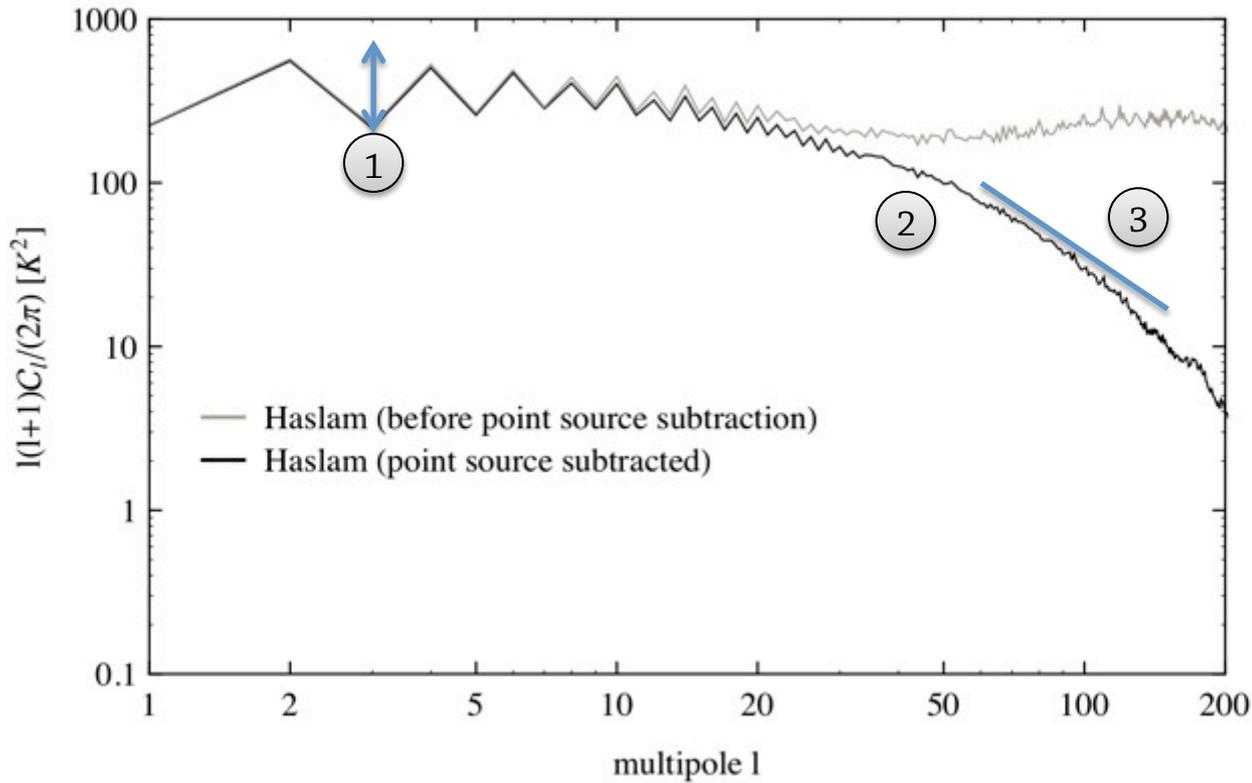
3. angular power spectrum:

$$C(\ell) \equiv \frac{1}{2\ell + 1} \sum_{m=-\ell}^{\ell} |a_{\ell m}|^2$$

advantages:

- information ordered by scale
- statistically meaningful quantities
- natural for some applications, e.g. CMB foreground subtraction

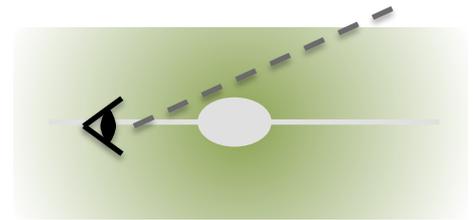
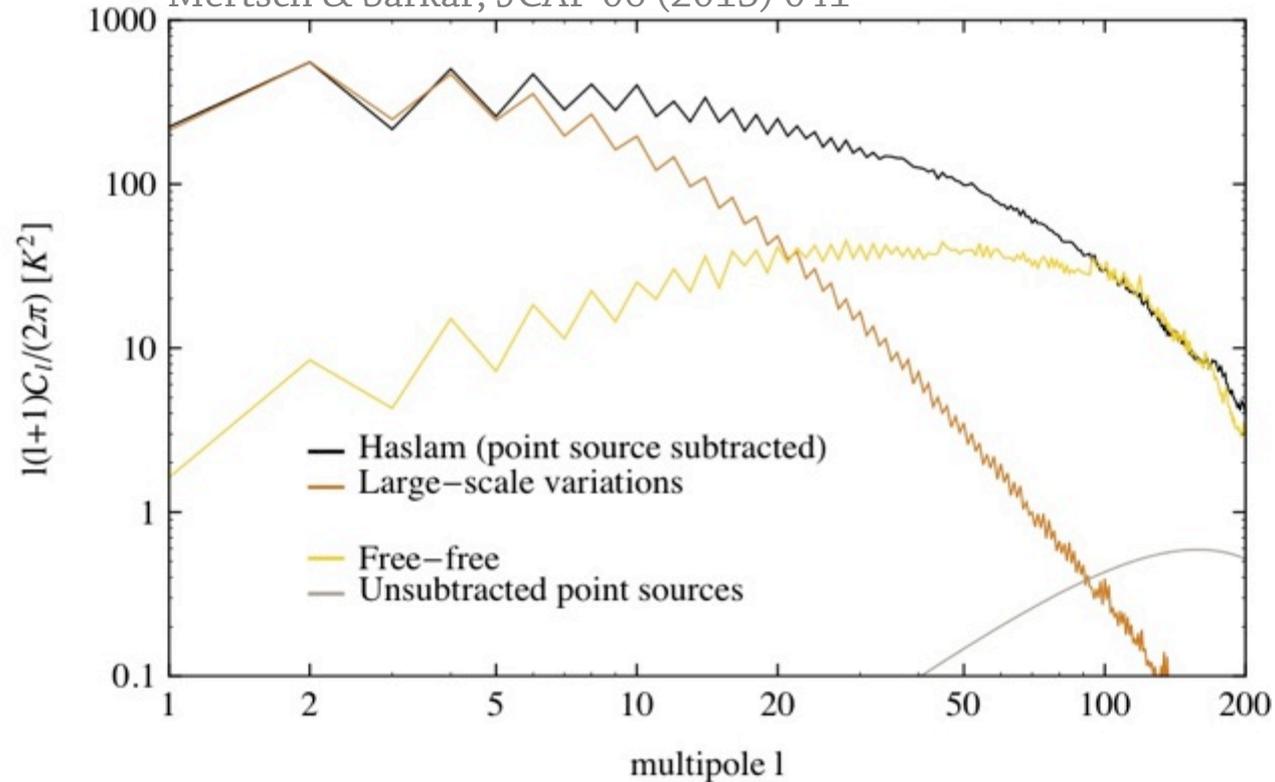
# Haslam APS



1. even/odd structure reflects symmetries of sky map
2. smoother for higher multipoles
3. power-law  
$$C_\ell \propto \ell^{-m}$$
with  $m \sim 11/3$   
(Kolmogorov turbulence)

# Smooth component only...

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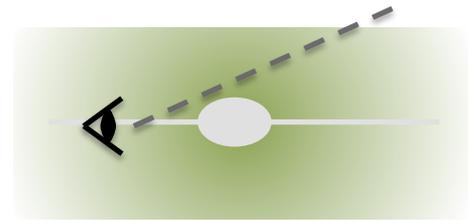
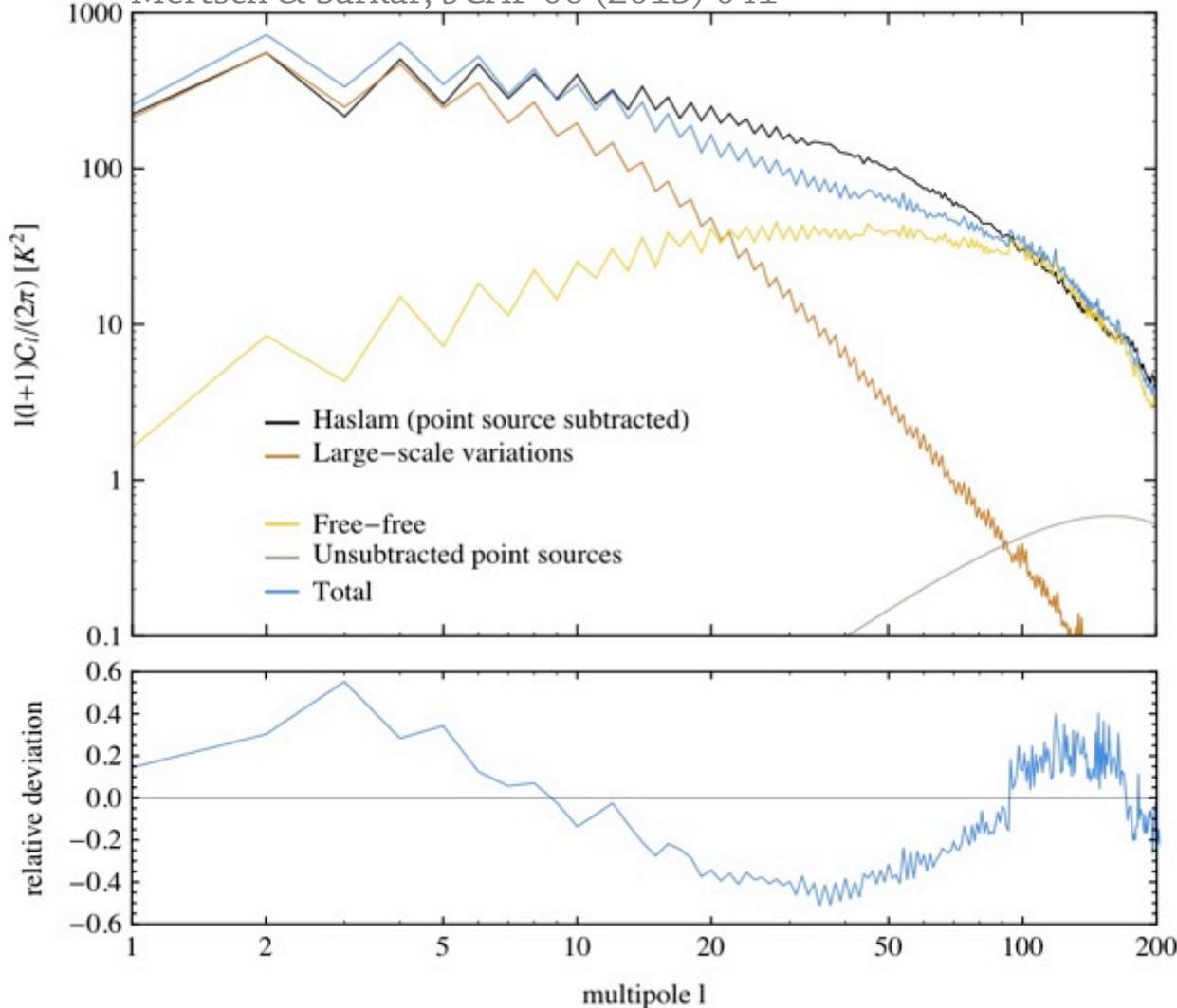
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# Turbulence cascade

- plasma perturbations described by MHD modes, e.g. Alfvén waves
- two-point correlation function:

$$\langle \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}_0) \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}_0 + \mathbf{r}) \rangle_{\mathbf{r}_0}$$

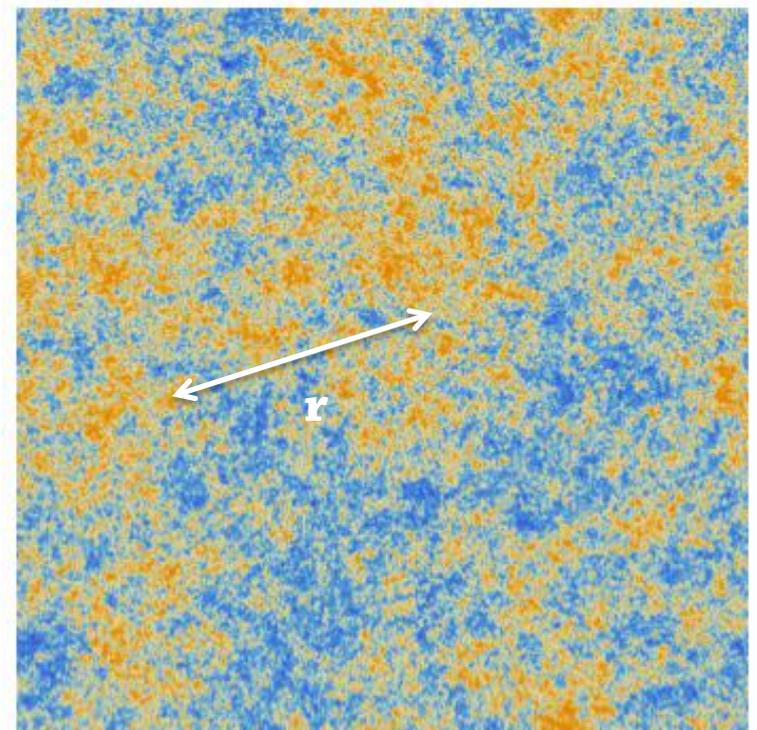
- Fourier transform  $\rightarrow$  power spectrum:

$$P(k) = \int d\mathbf{r} e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}} \langle \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}_0) \mathbf{B}(\mathbf{r}_0 + \mathbf{r}) \rangle_{\mathbf{r}_0}$$

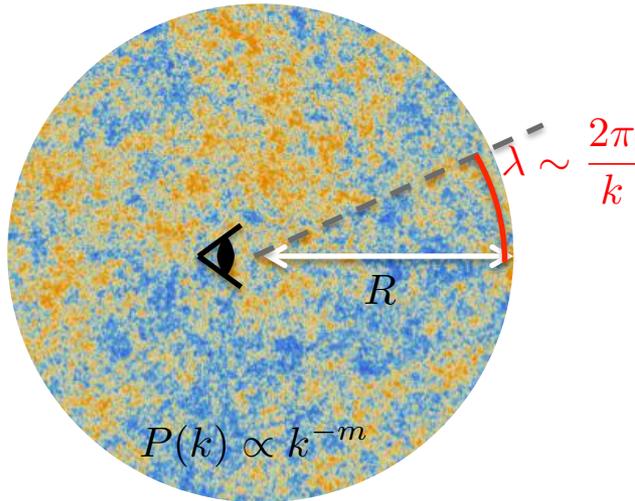
- observed in space plasma and simulations

$$P(k) \propto k^{-m}$$

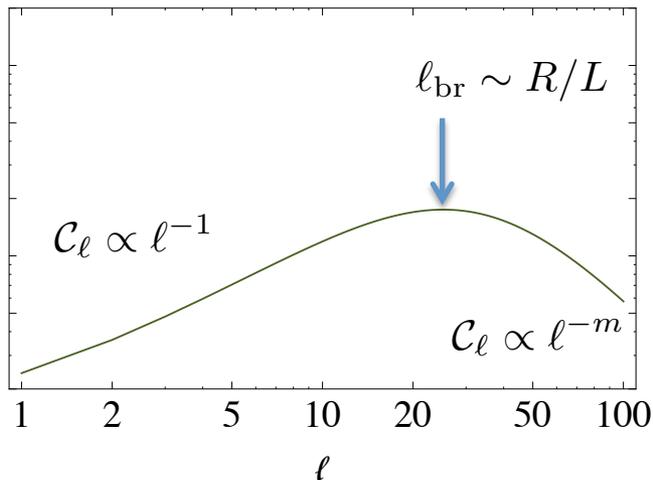
for  $k \in [k_1, k_2]$  with  $m \sim 11/3$   
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# Turbulence in projection



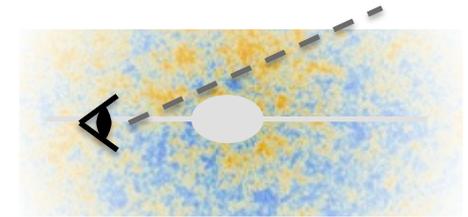
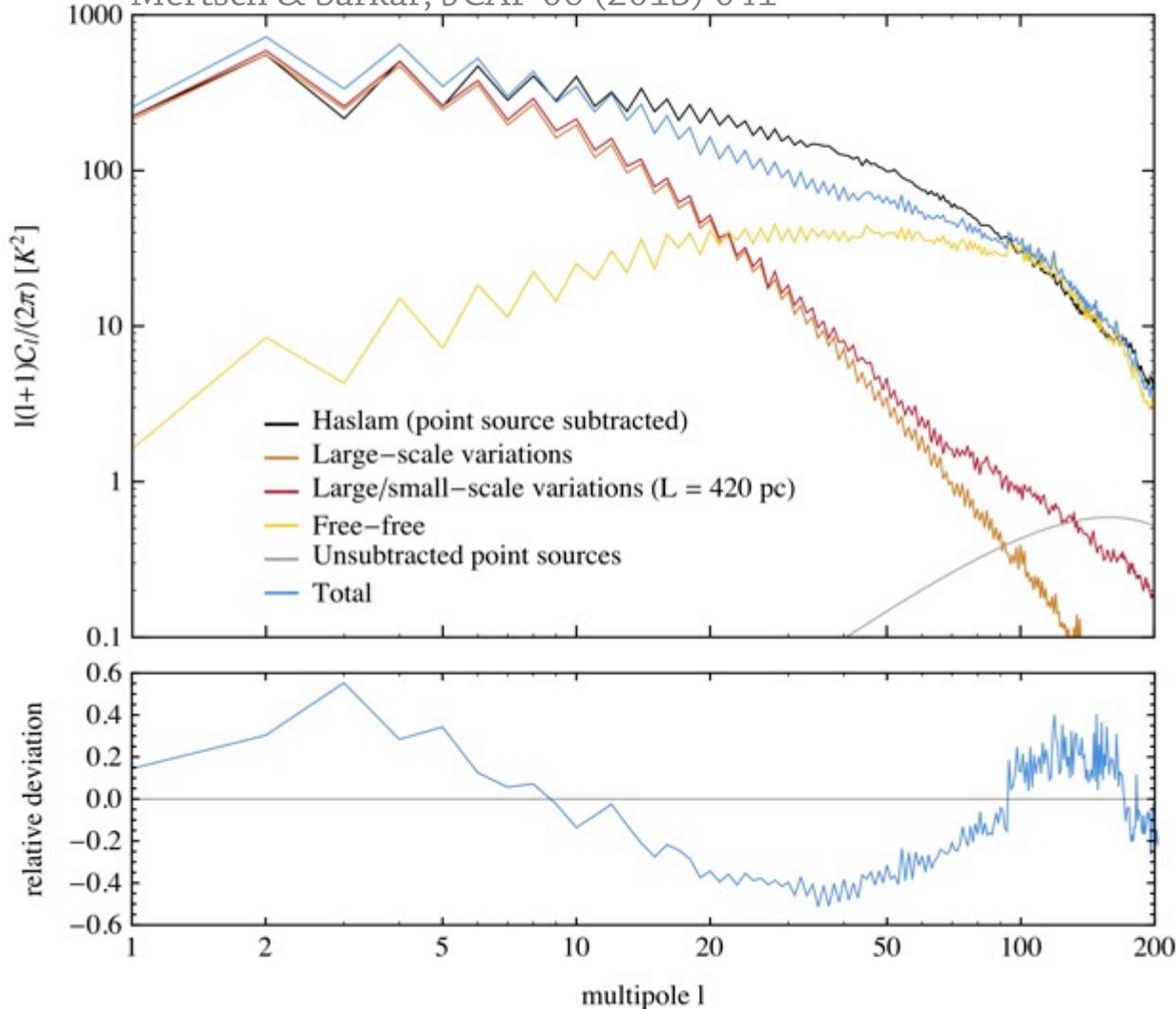
- consider two-point correlations on sphere
- power-law in wavenumber reflected by power-law in angle  $\theta$  (or multipole  $\ell$ )



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# ...including turbulent component

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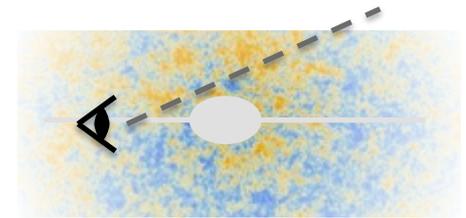
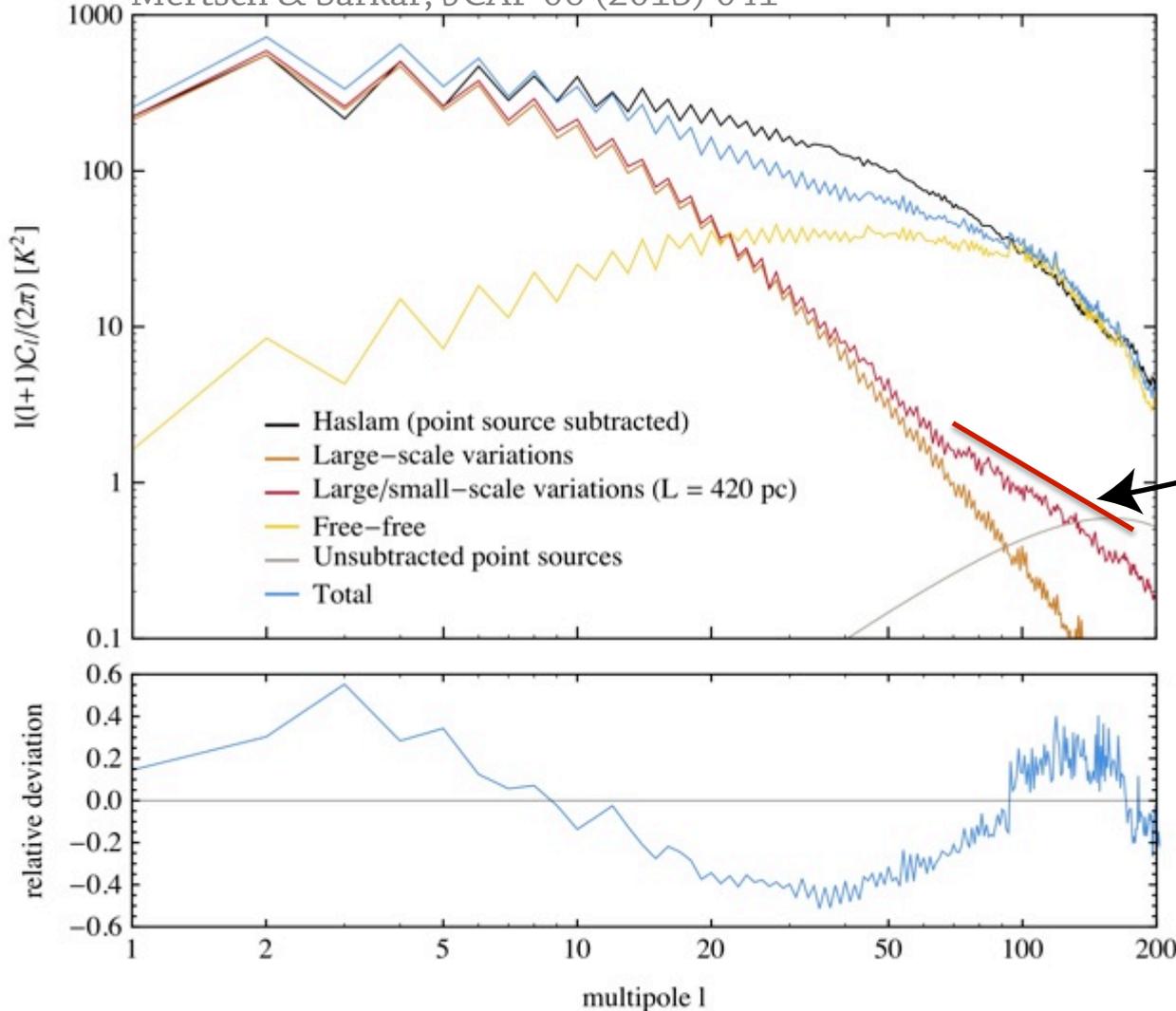
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power-law in wavenumber

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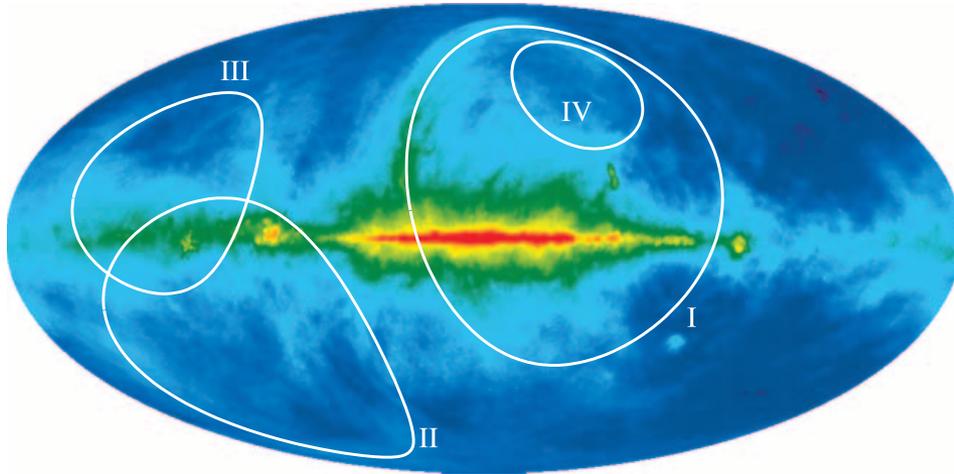
reflected by power-law in  
angle  $\theta$  or multipole  $l$ :

$$C_l \propto l^{-m}$$

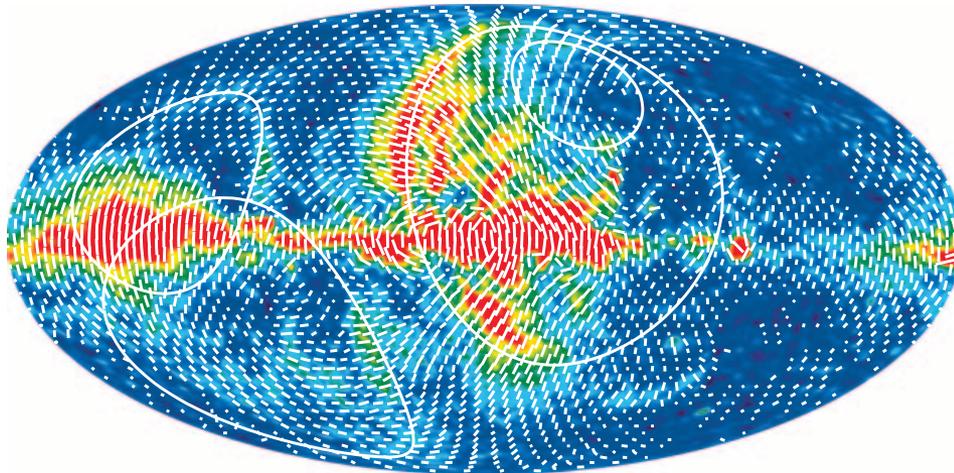
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# Radio loops



1.05 408 MHz log(T) 2.5

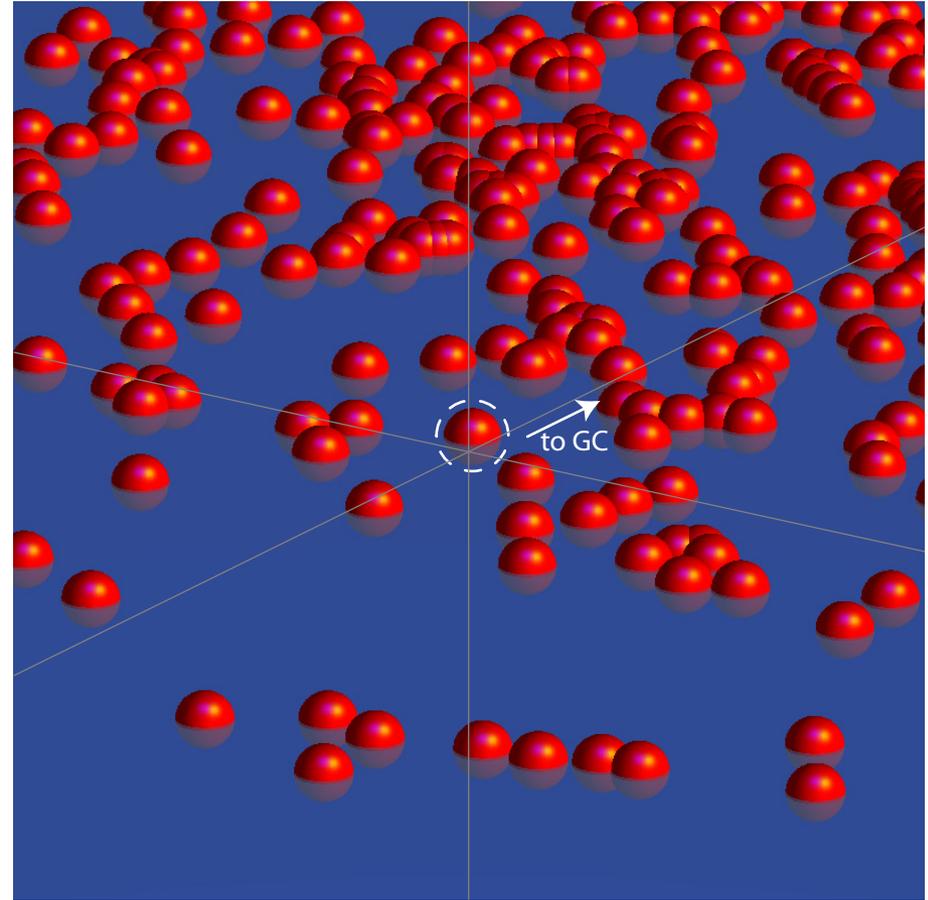
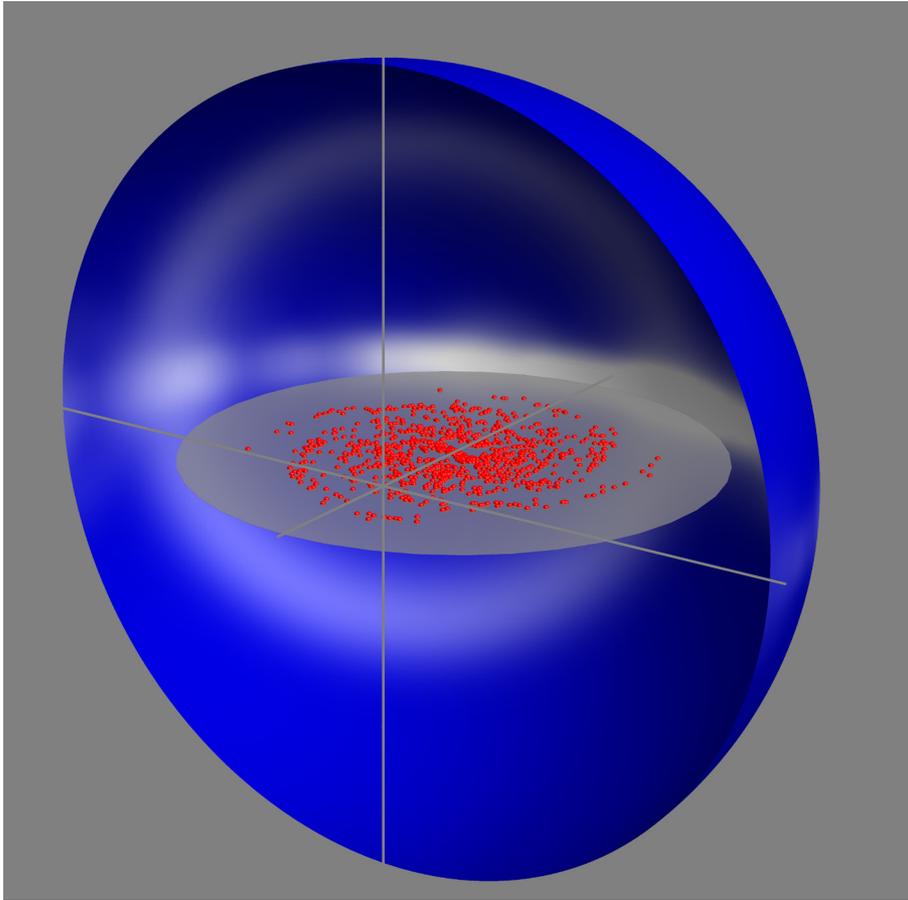


0 T(μK) 70

- probably shells of old SNRs
- can only observe 4 radio loops directly in radio sky
- total Galactic population of up to O(1000) can contribute on *all* scales

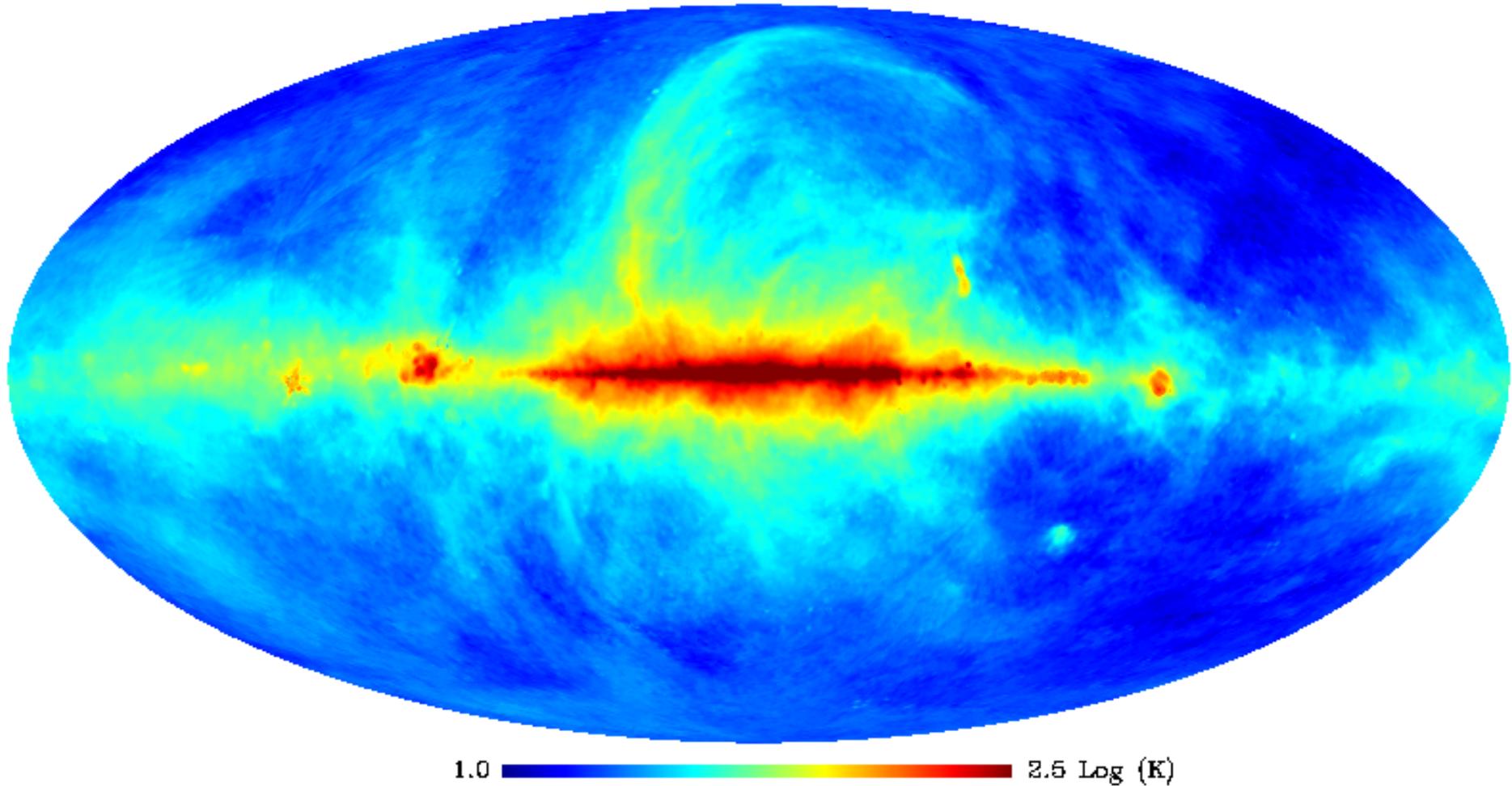
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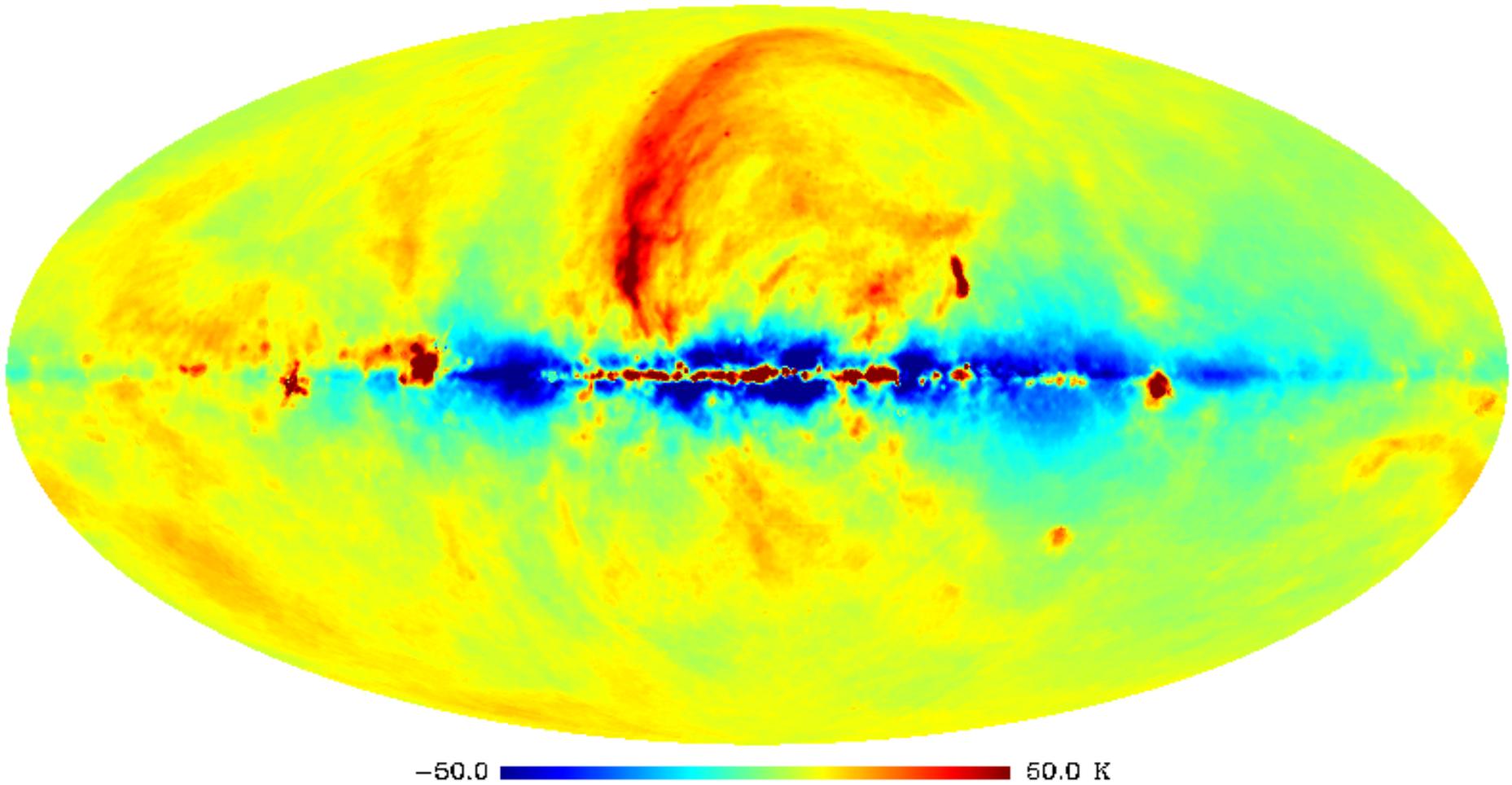


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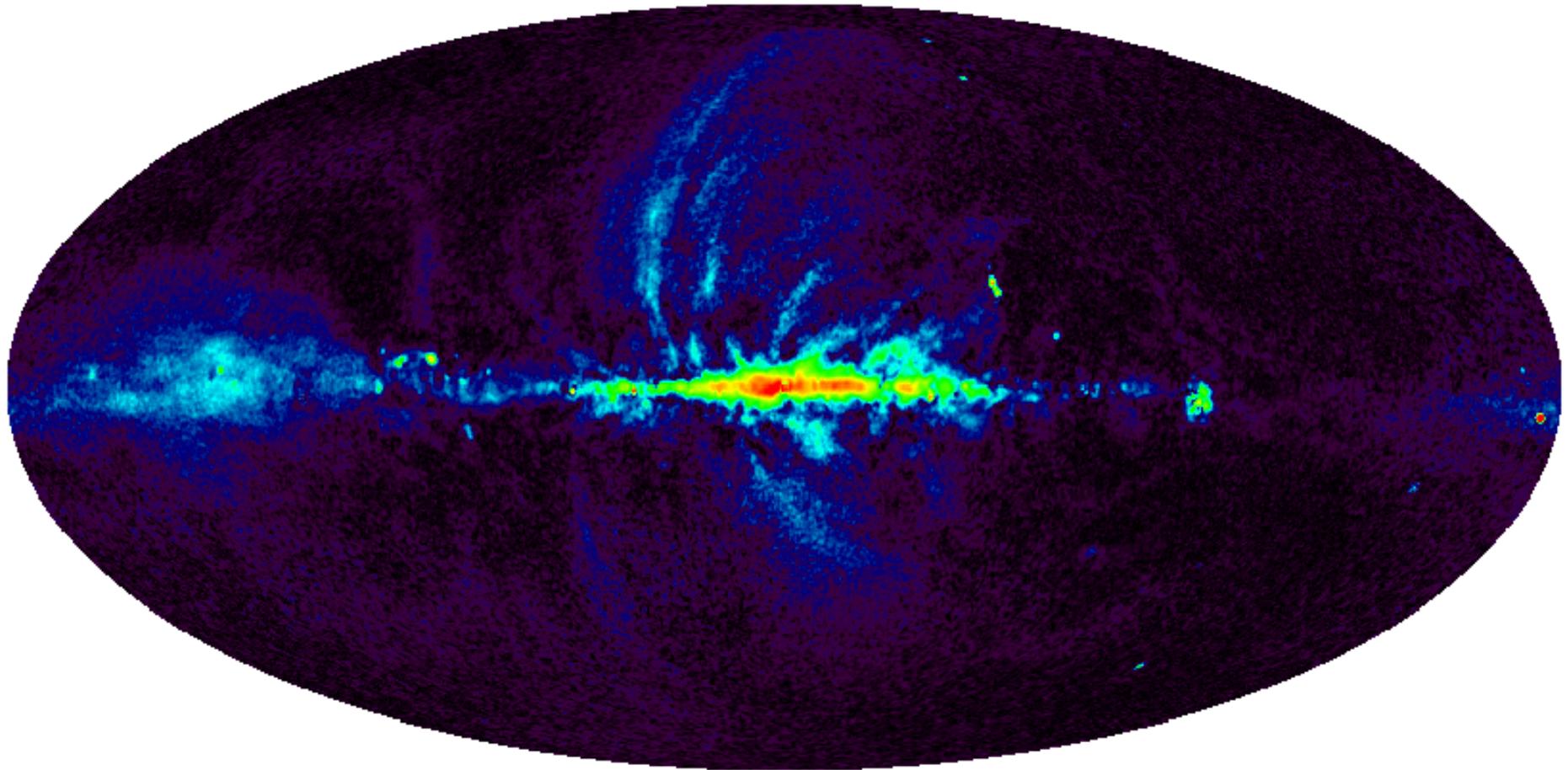


# Difference: Haslam - GALPROP



# WMAP9 polarisation

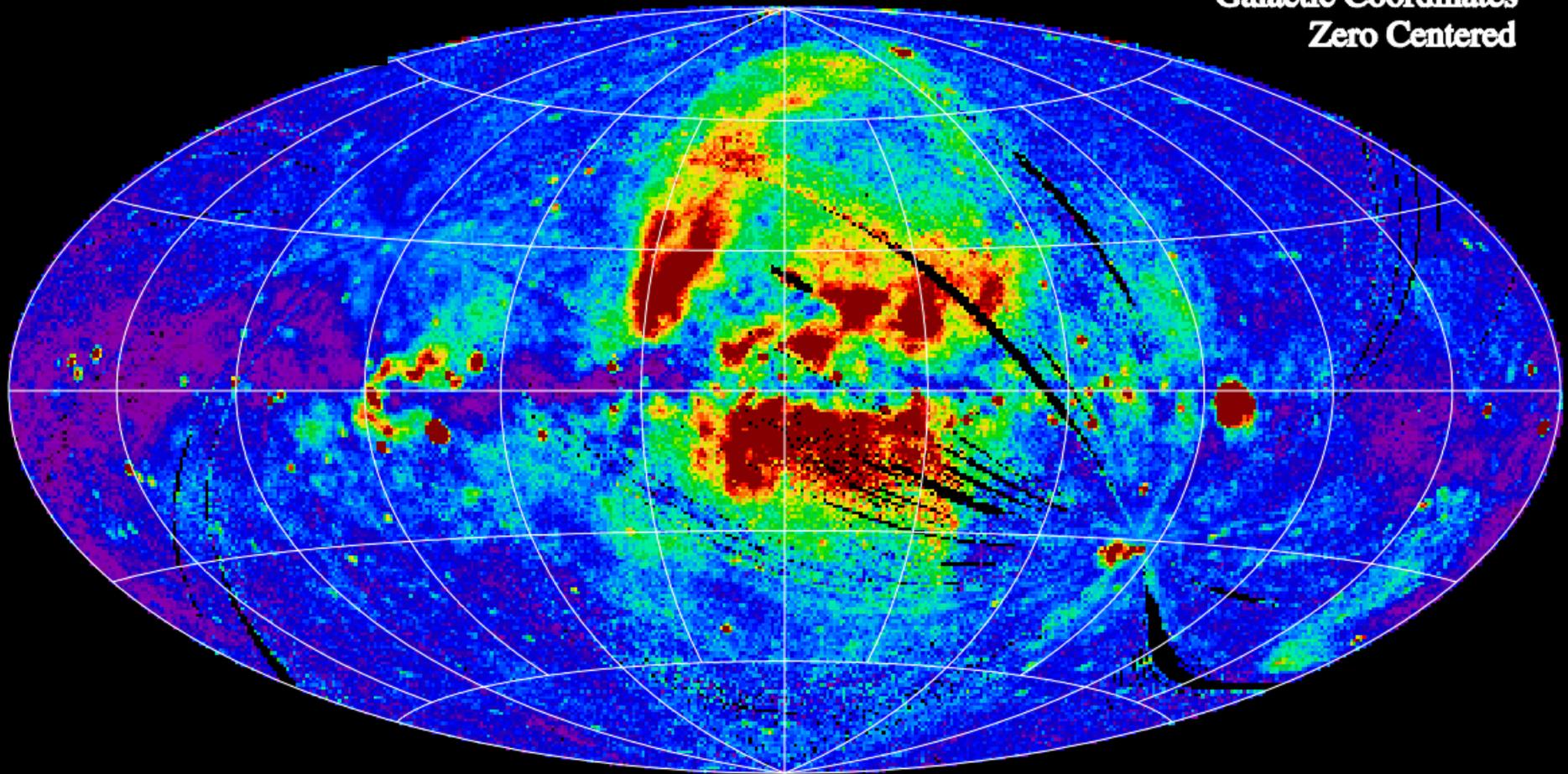
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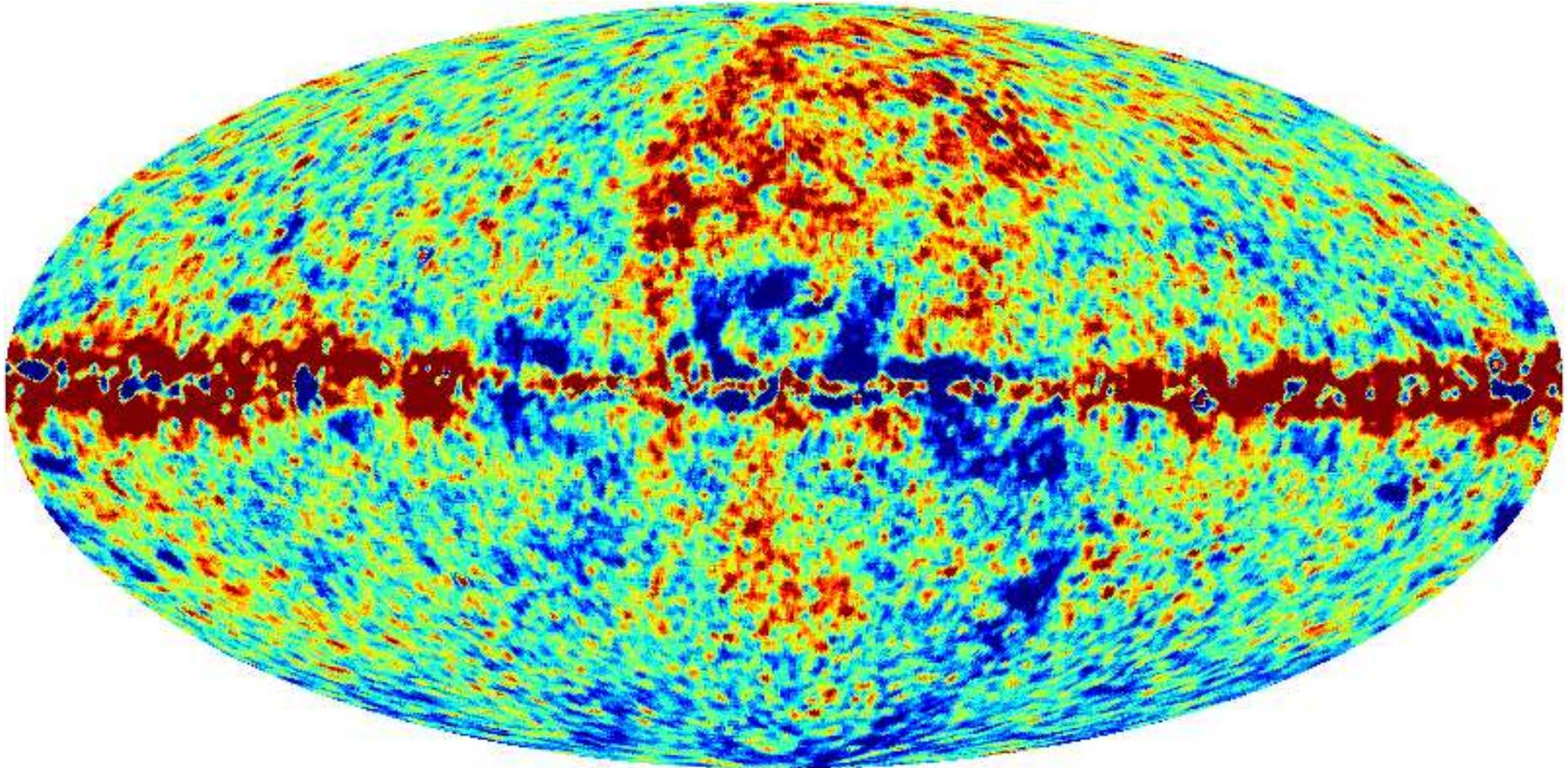
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**All-Sky Survey**  
**Galactic Coordinates**  
**Zero Centered**



**Snowden et al. 1995, ApJ, 454, 643**

# Difference: Fermi-LAT - GALPROP



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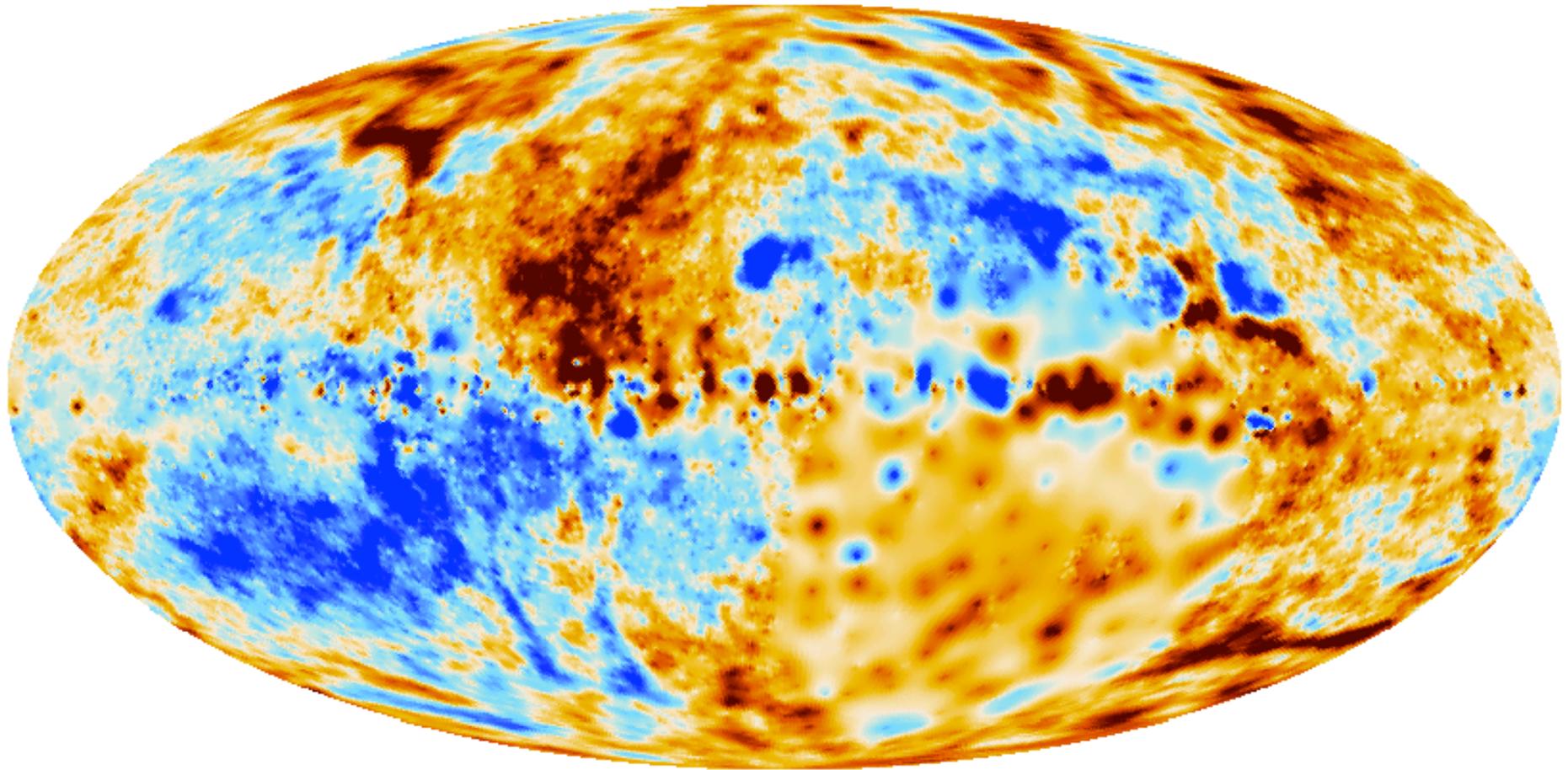
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# Faraday Rotation

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reconstructed dimensionless signal



# Modelling individual shells

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assumption: flux from one shell factorises into angular part and frequency part:  $J_{\text{shell } i}(\nu, \ell, b) = \varepsilon_i(\nu)g_i(\ell, b)$

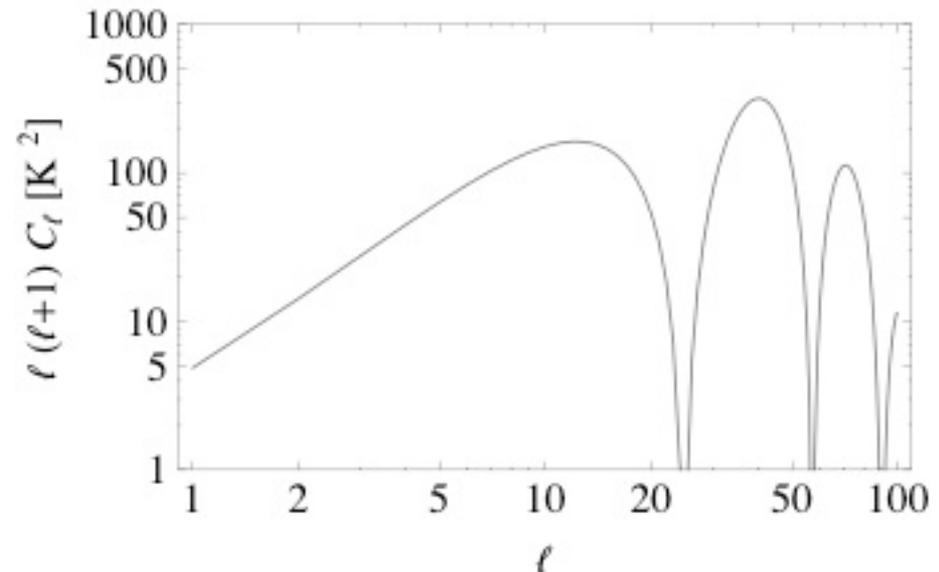
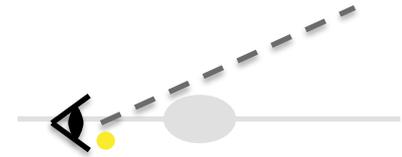
frequency part  $\varepsilon_i(\nu)$ :

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angular part  $g_i(\ell, b)$ :

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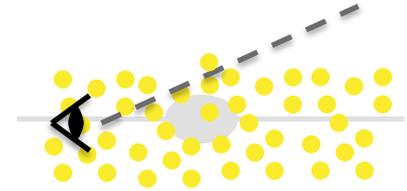
$$a_{\ell m}^i \sim \varepsilon_i(\nu) \int_{-1}^1 dz' P_\ell(z') g_i(z')$$



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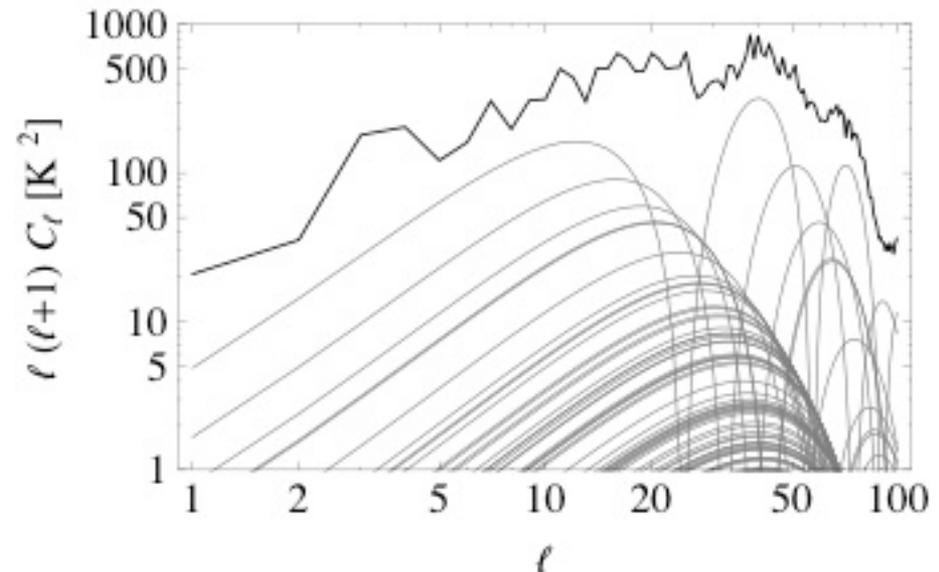
angular part  $g_i(\cos \psi)$ :

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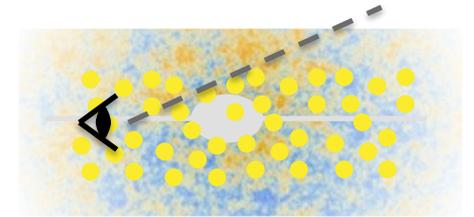
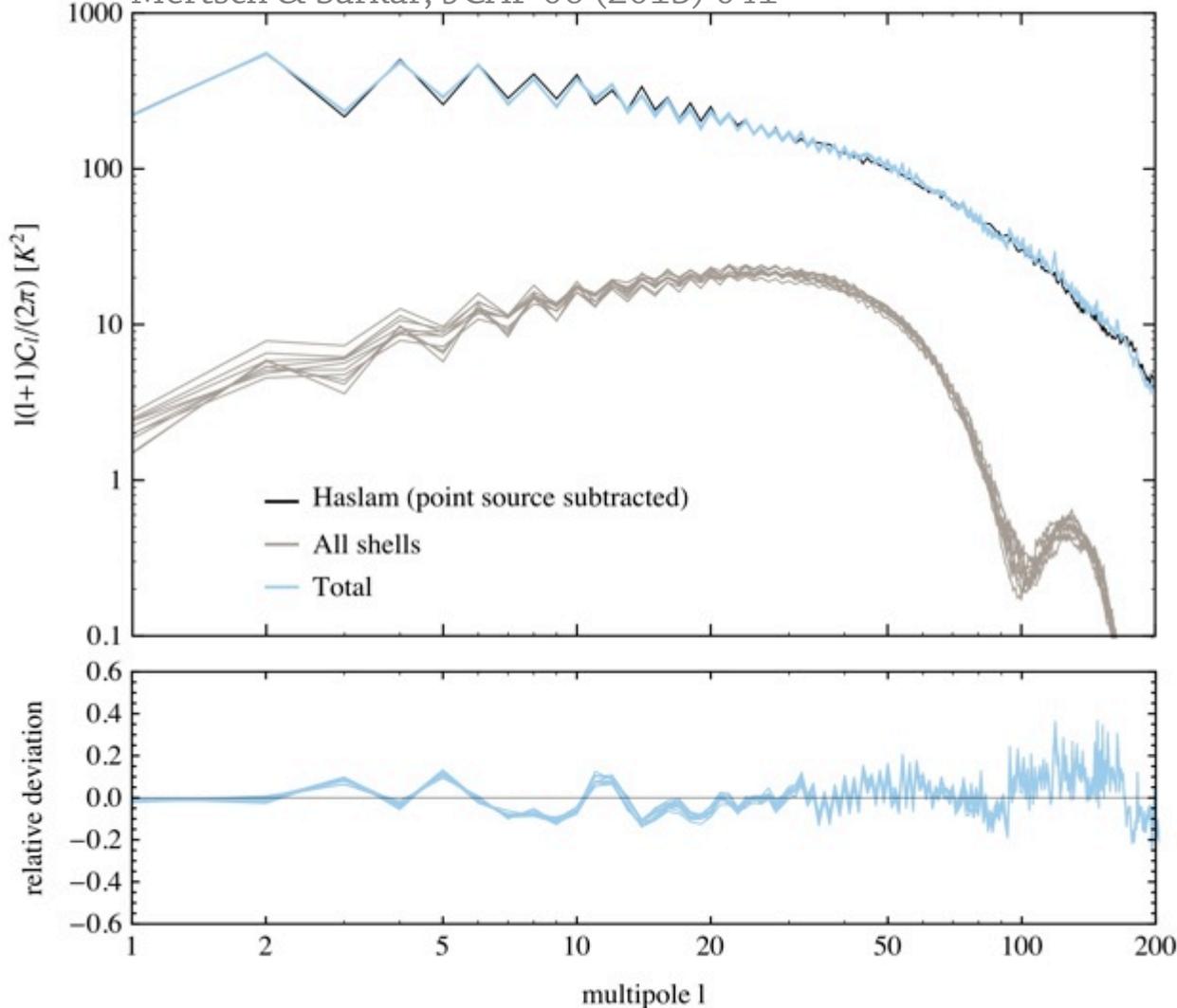
add up contribution from all shells

$$a_{lm}^{\text{total}} = \sum_i a_{lm}^i$$



# ...including ensemble of shells

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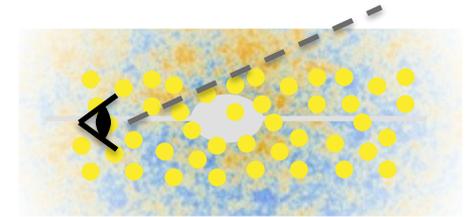
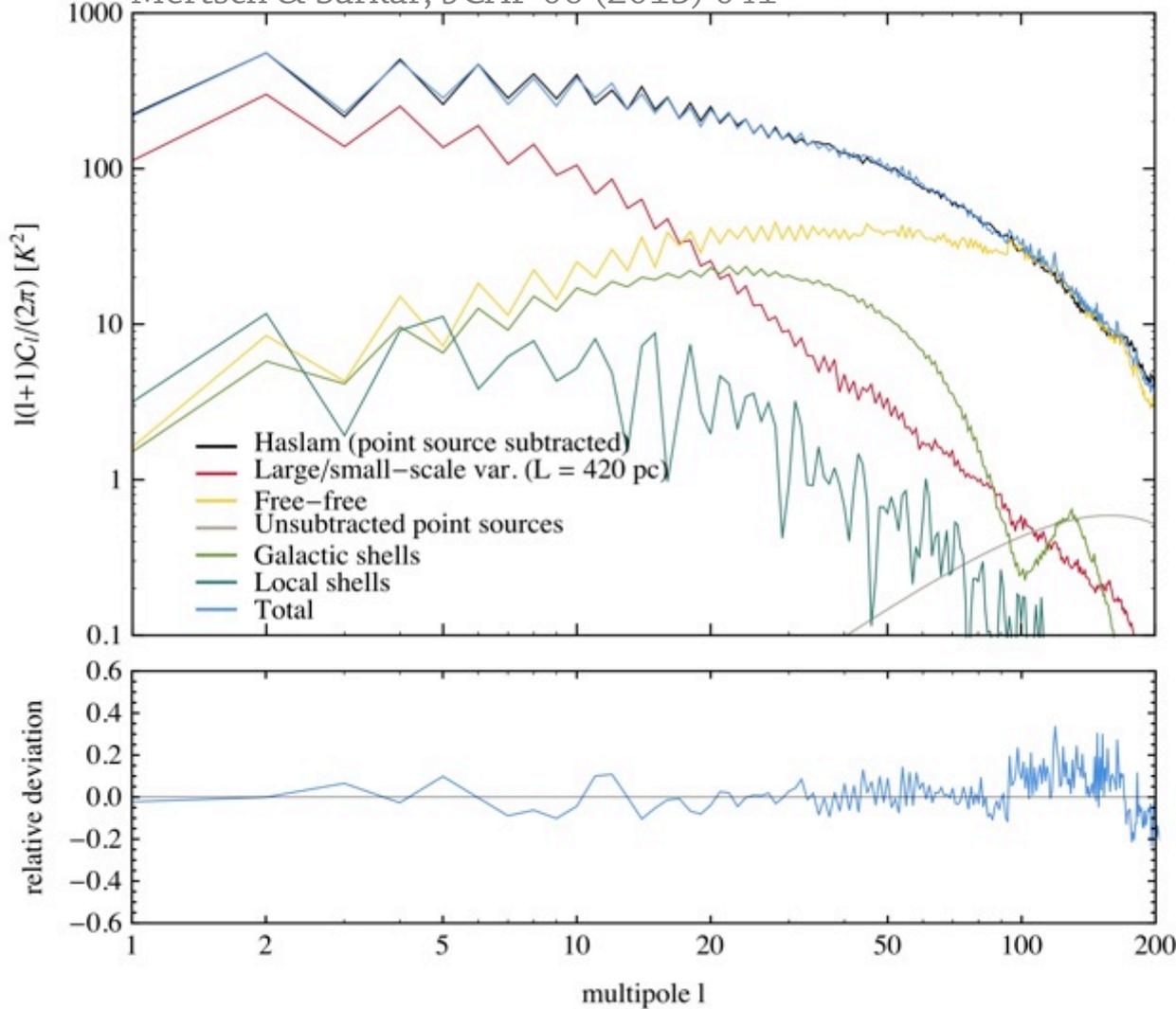
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# Best fit of local shells and ensemble

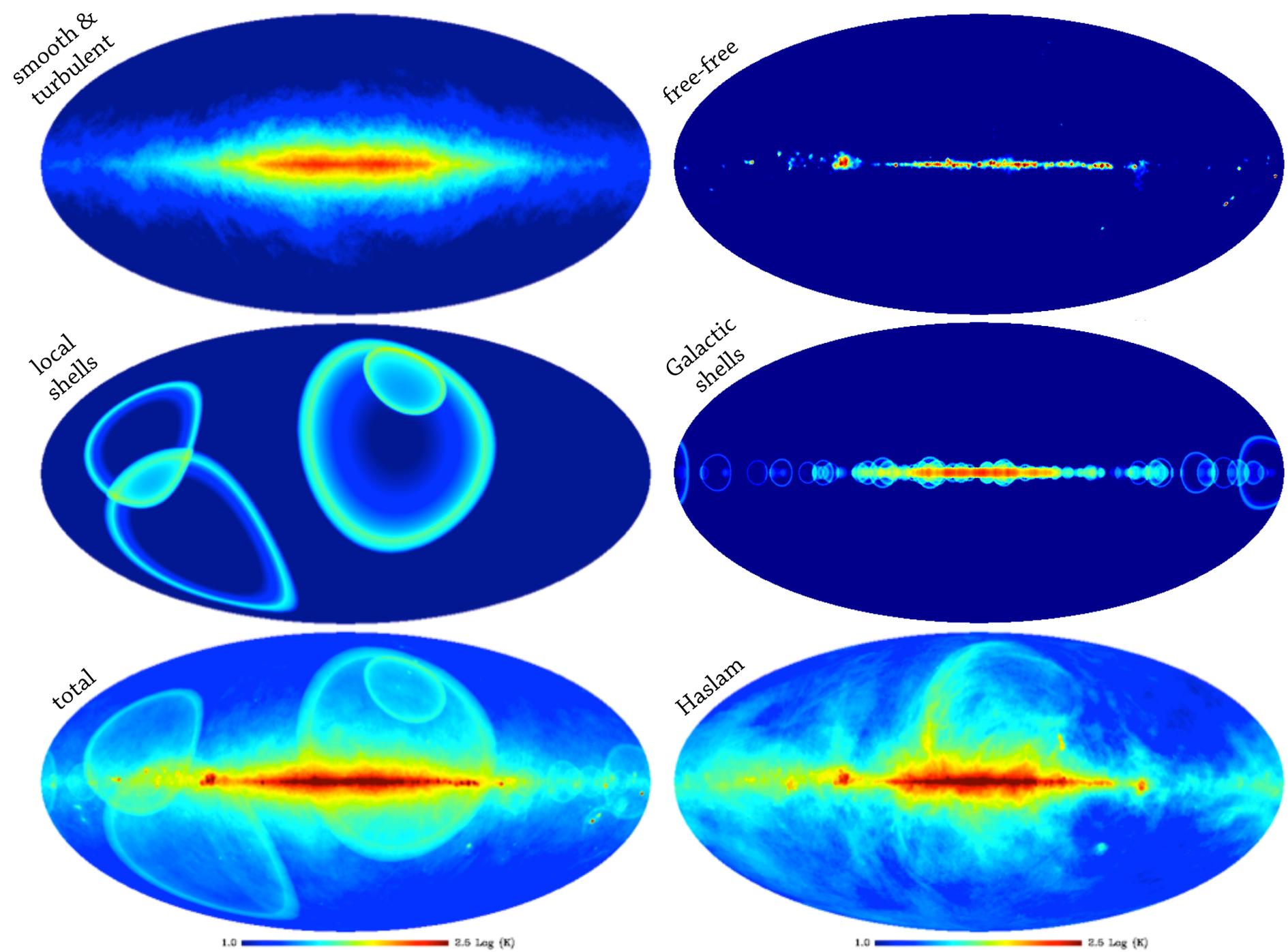
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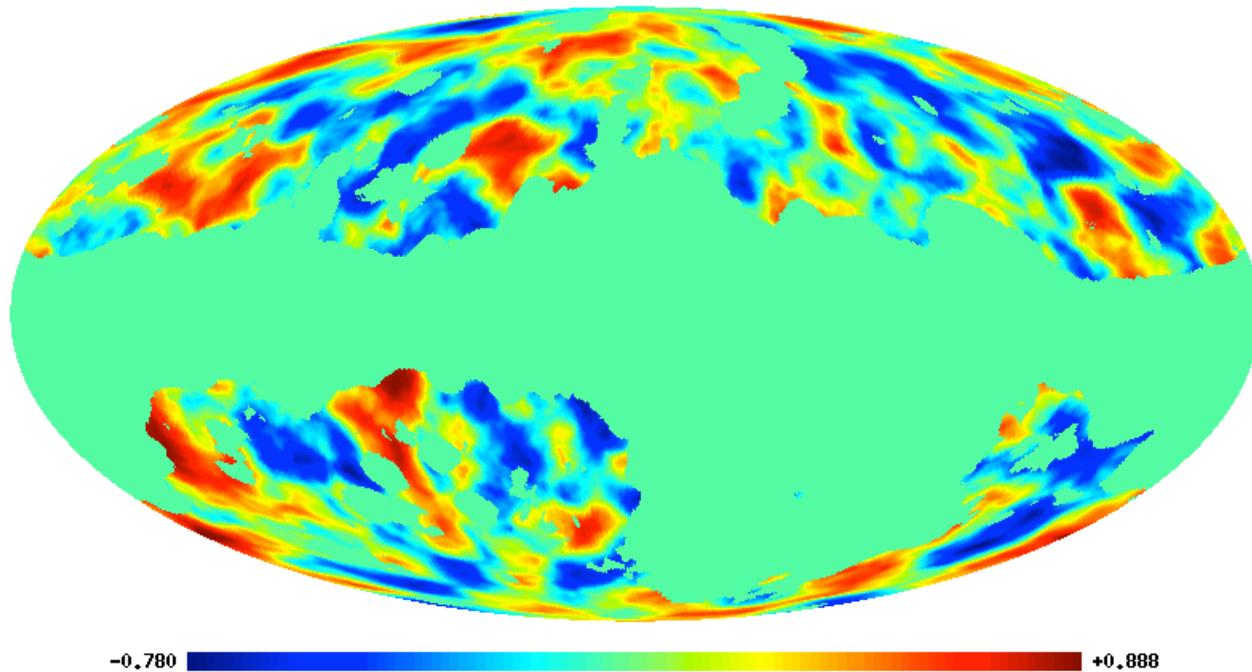
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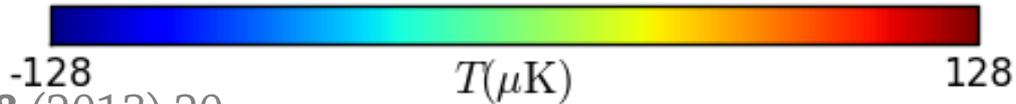
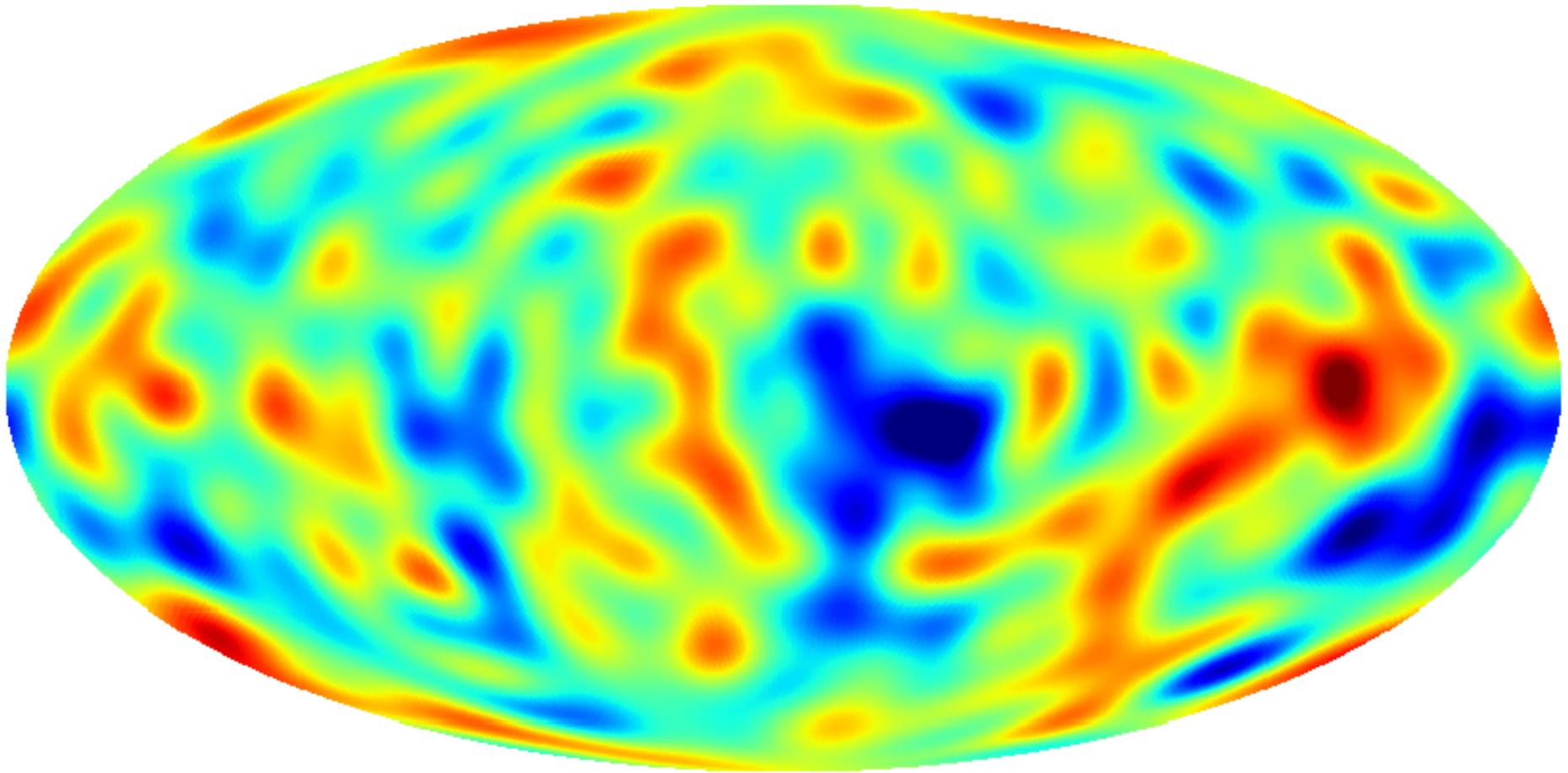


correlation between Faraday depth and WMAP7 ILC

MC simulations: standard deviation of correlation anomalous with p-value  $< 5 \times 10^{-4}$

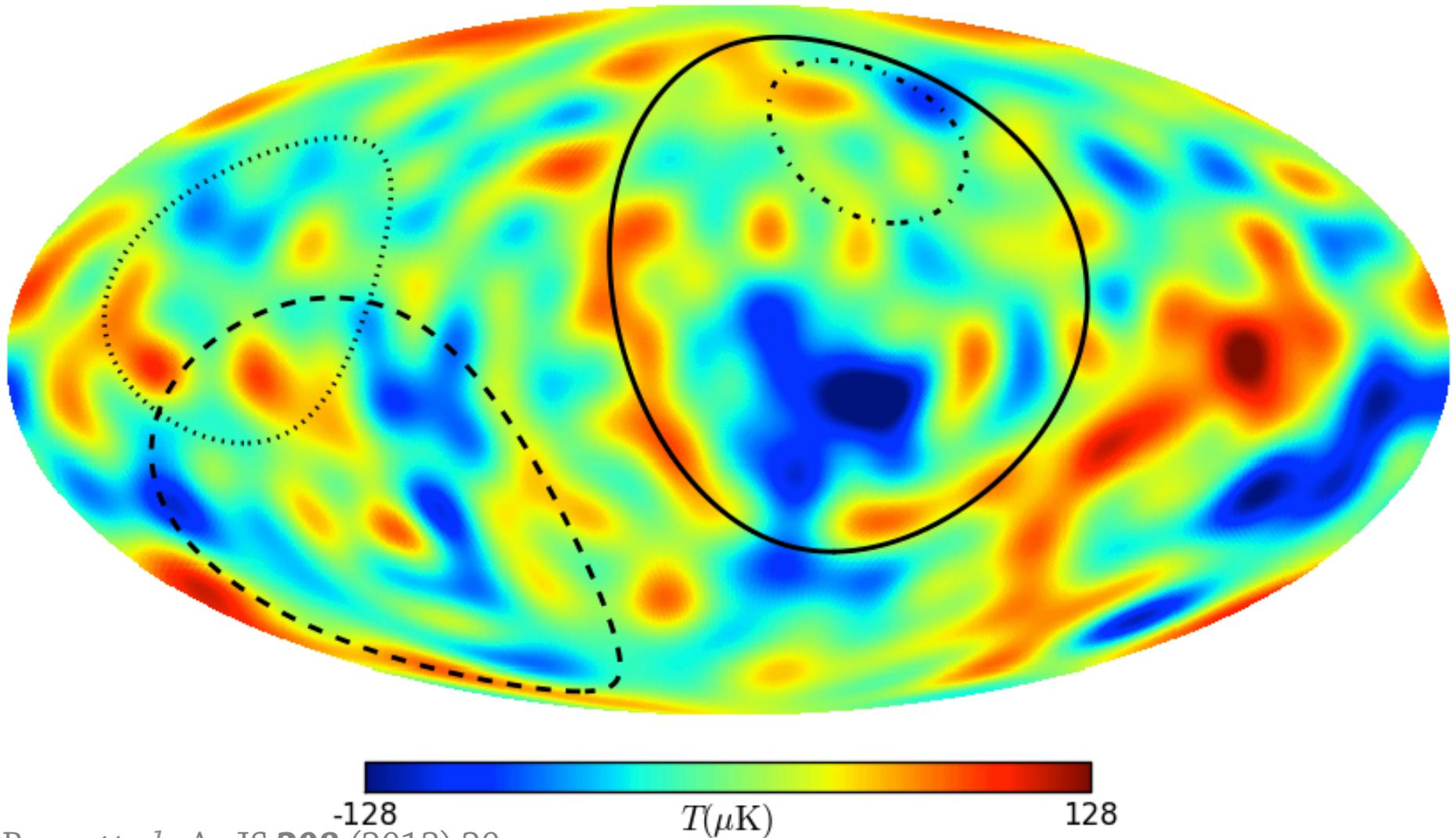
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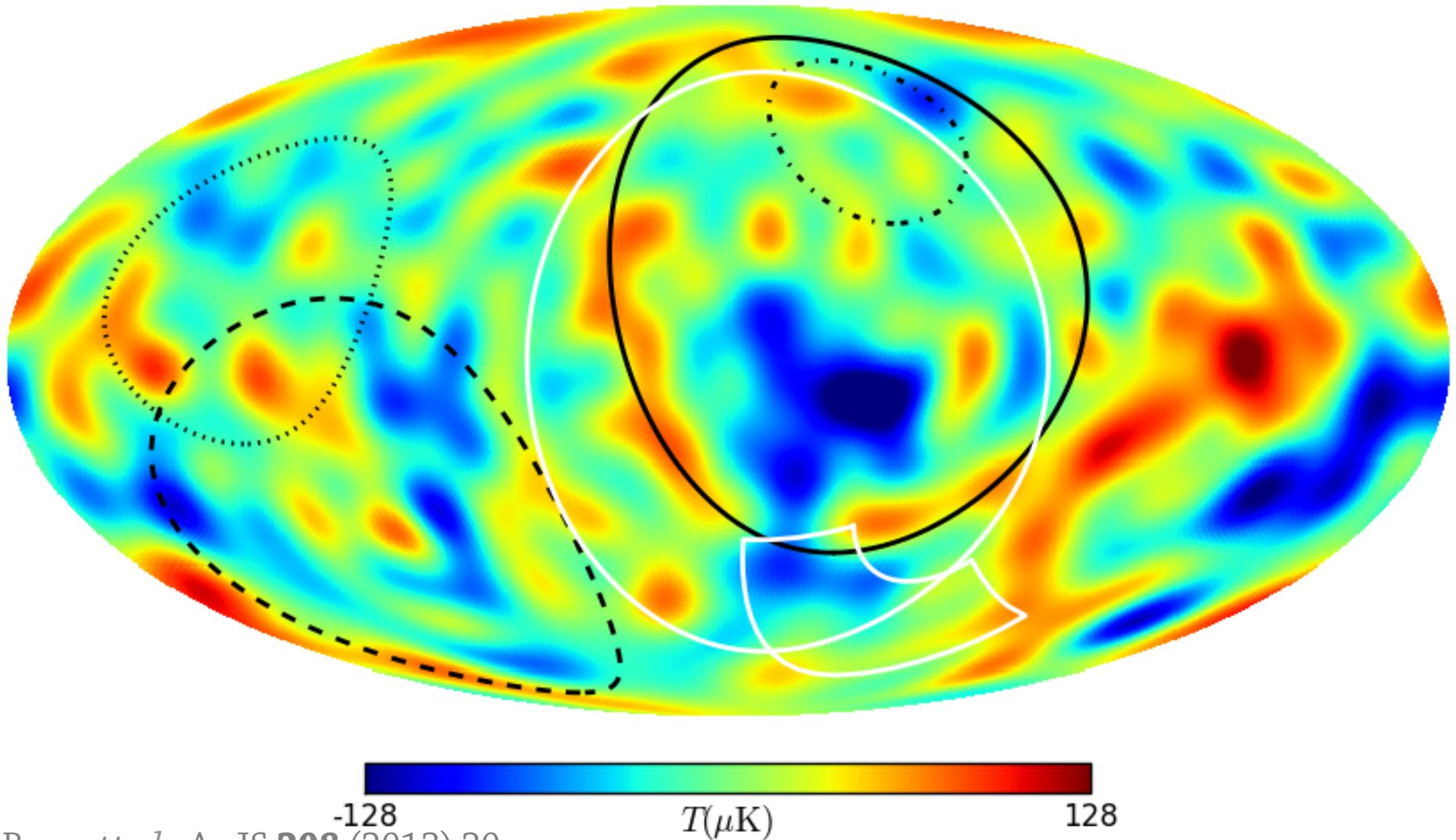


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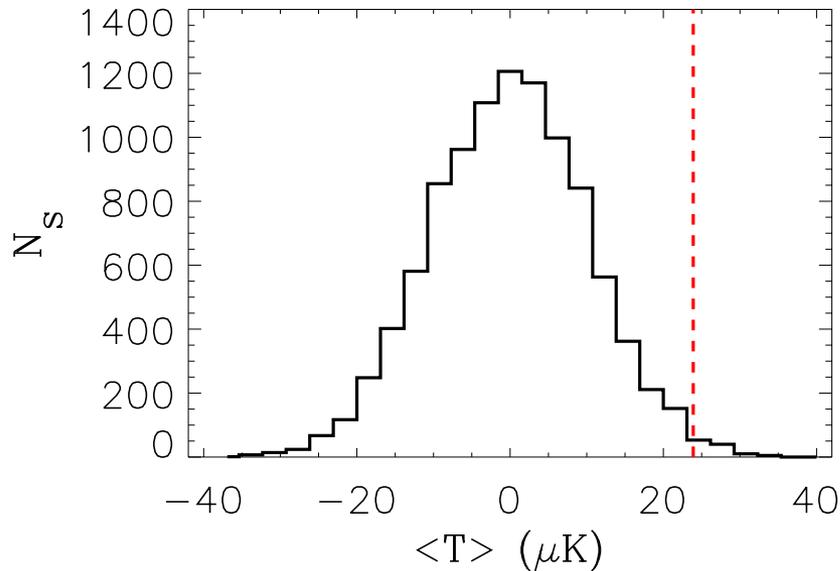
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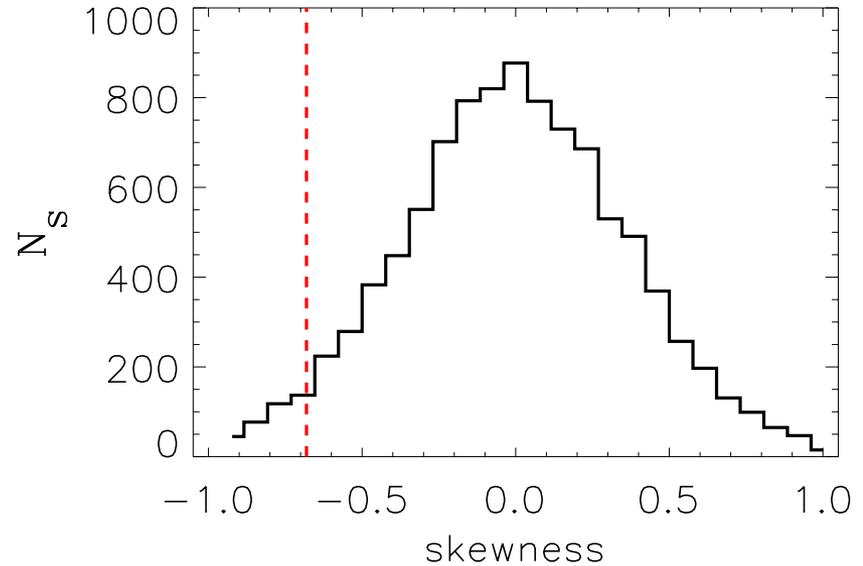
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in ring around Loop I

temperature



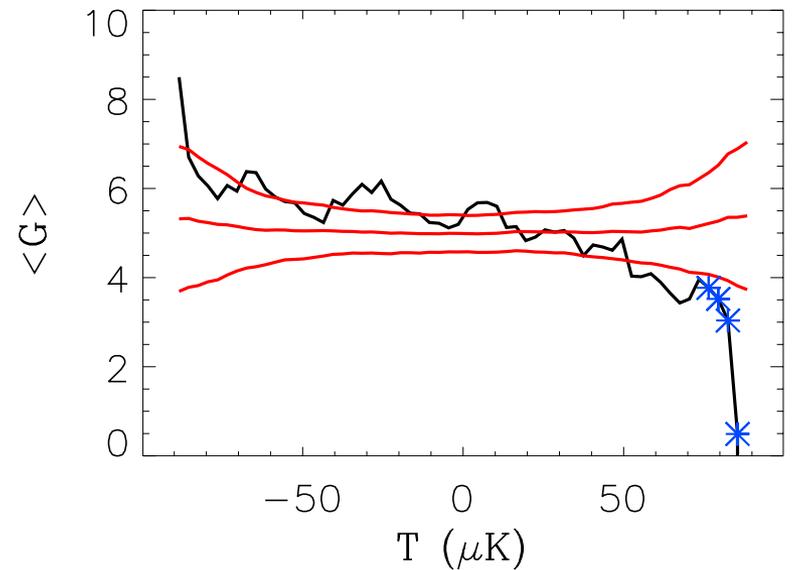
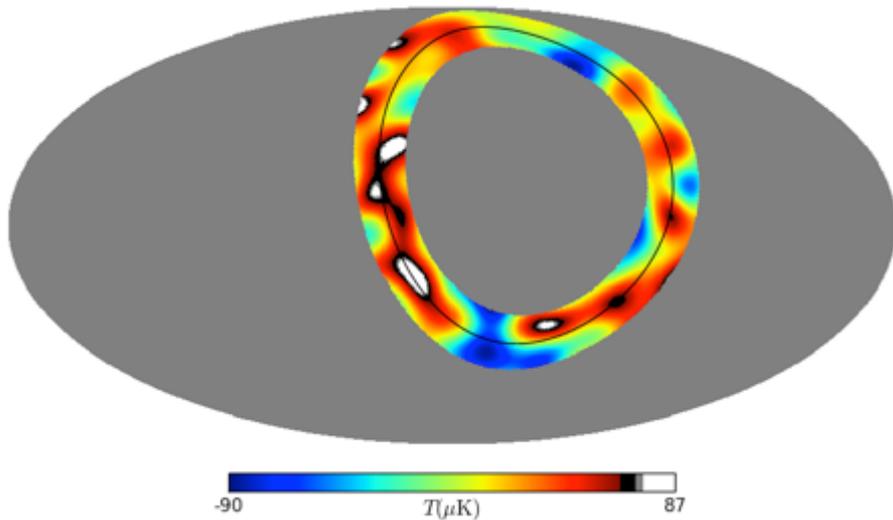
skewness



compare with MC  $\rightarrow$  p-values  $\mathcal{O}(10^{-2})$

# Cluster analysis

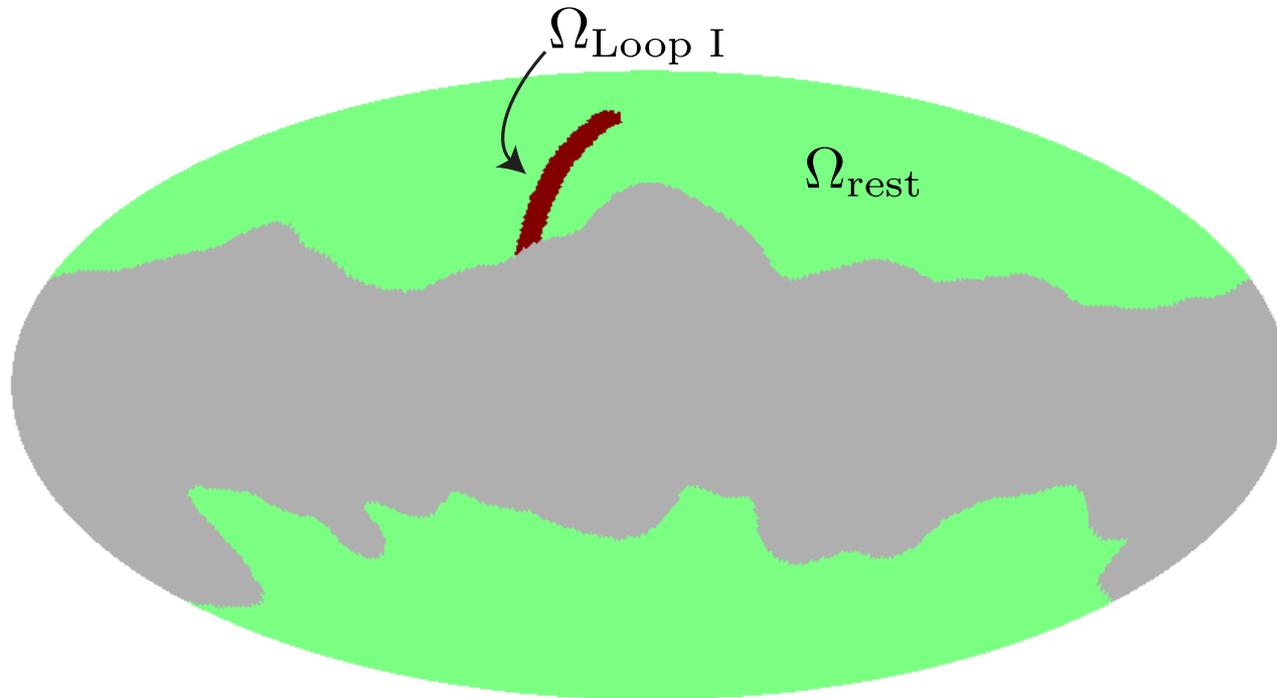
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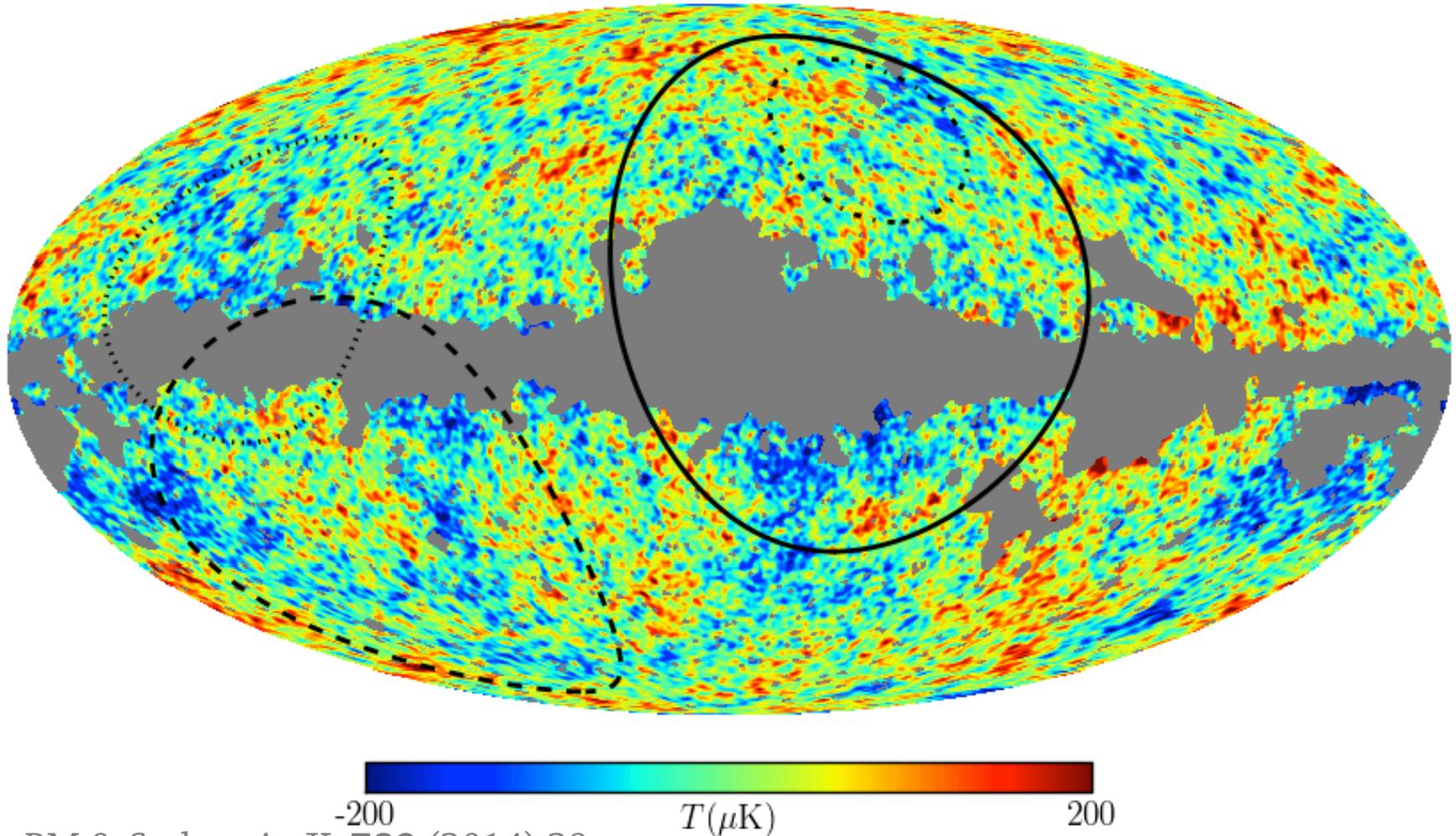
from 100,000 MC runs: probability for smaller  $\langle G \rangle$  in last four bins  $\sim 10^{-4}$

# How to evade foreground cleaning:

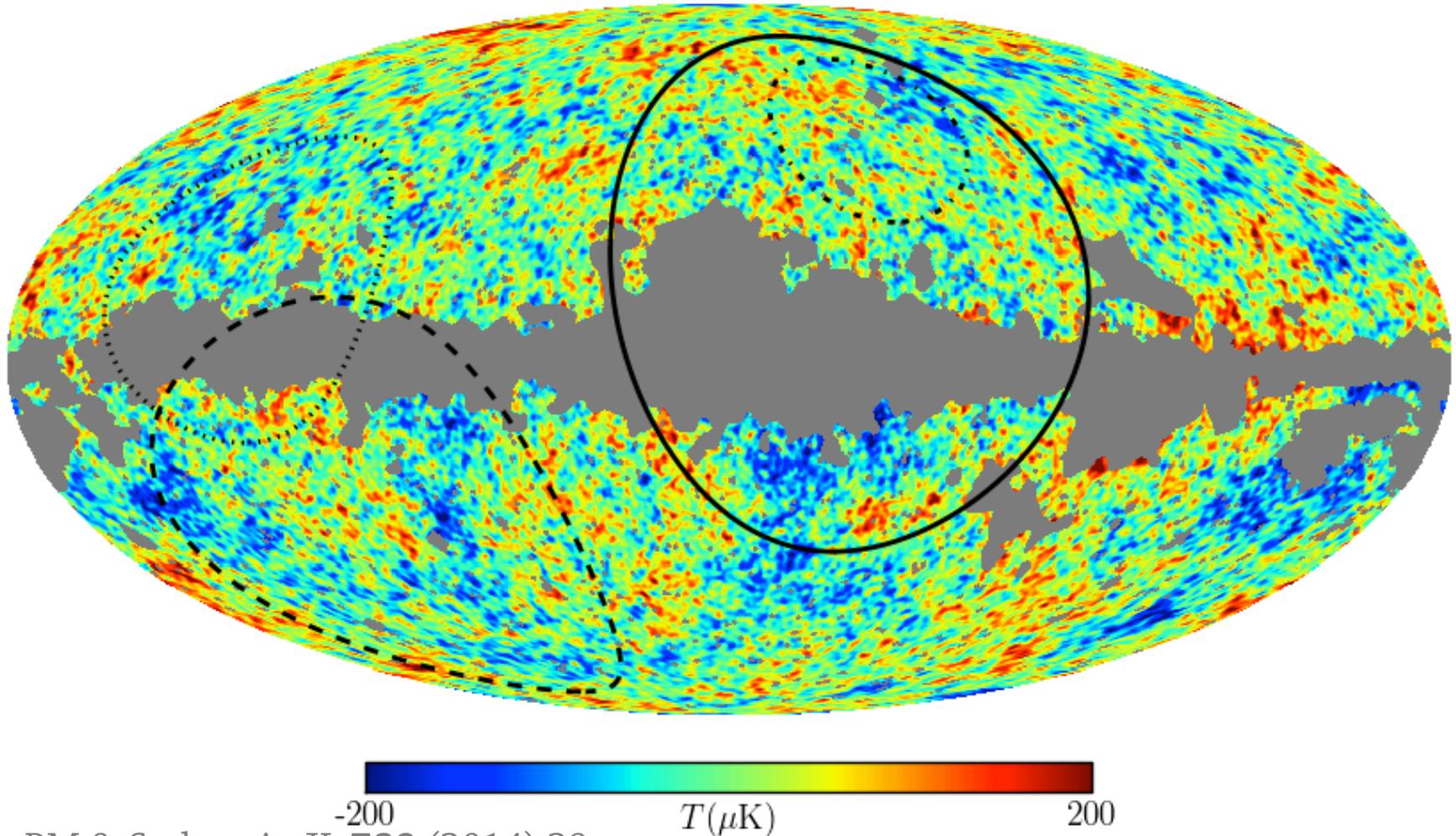
- ILC coefficients from minimizing variance over whole sky ( $\Omega_{\text{rest}}$ )
- but Loops contribute only locally ( $\Omega_{\text{Loop I}}$ )



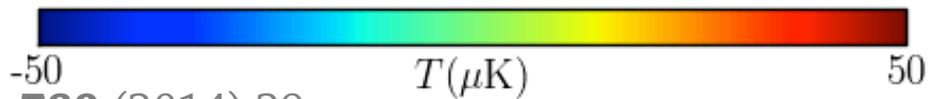
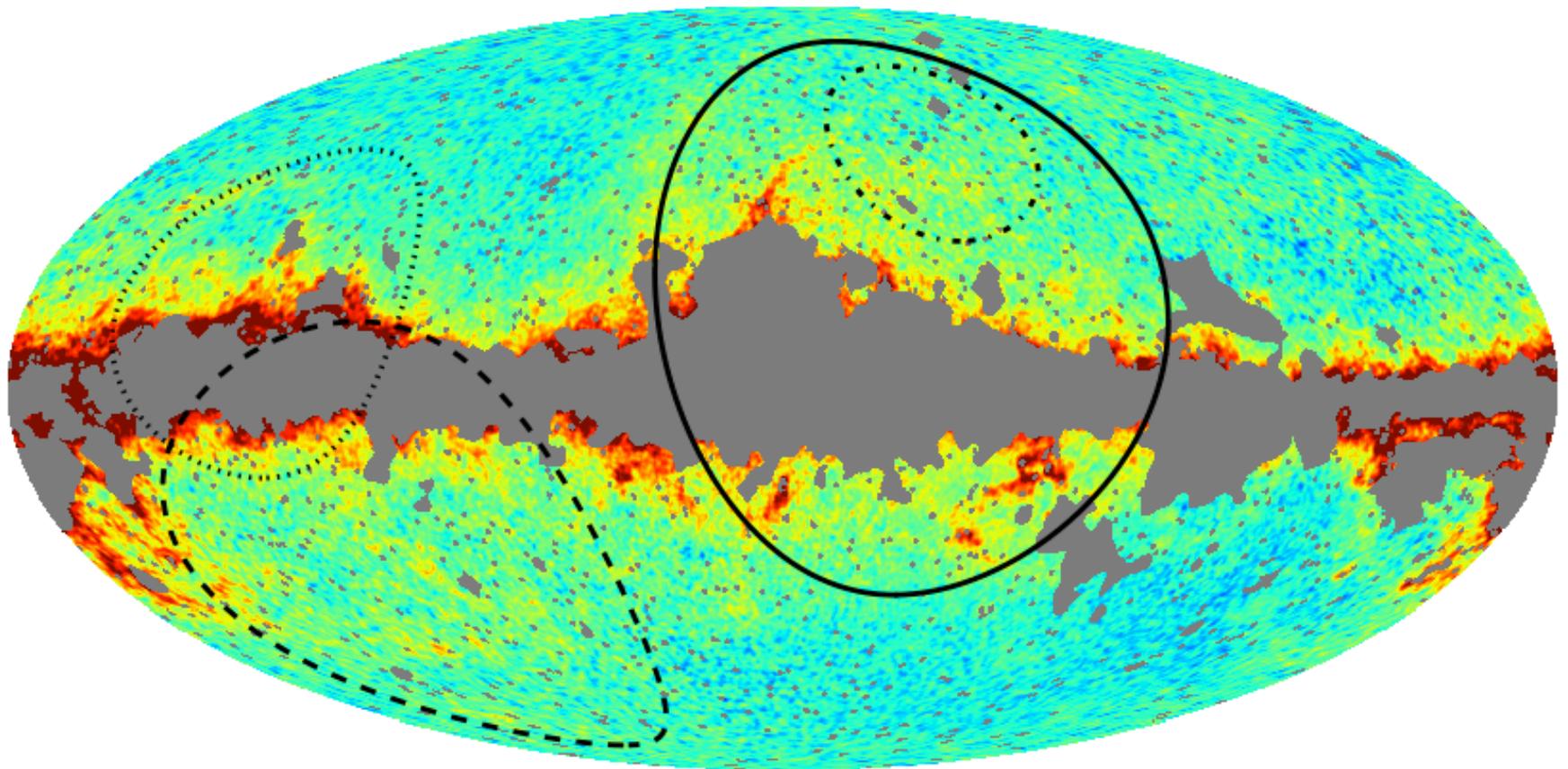
# ILC coefficients from Loop I region



# ILC coefficients from rest of sky



difference  $\text{ILC}_{\text{rest}} - \text{ILC}_{\text{Loop I}}$



# What do we know about anomaly?

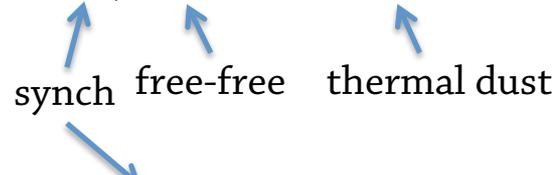
- spatially correlates with Loop I
- unlikely synchrotron (checked with our synchrotron model)
- frequency dependence:

which spectral index  $\beta$  gets “zeroed” by ILC method,

i.e. solve 
$$\sum_{j=K}^W W_j \nu_j^\beta = 0 \text{ for } \beta$$

for WMAP9:  $\beta \sim -3, -2$  and  $1.7 \dots 1.8$

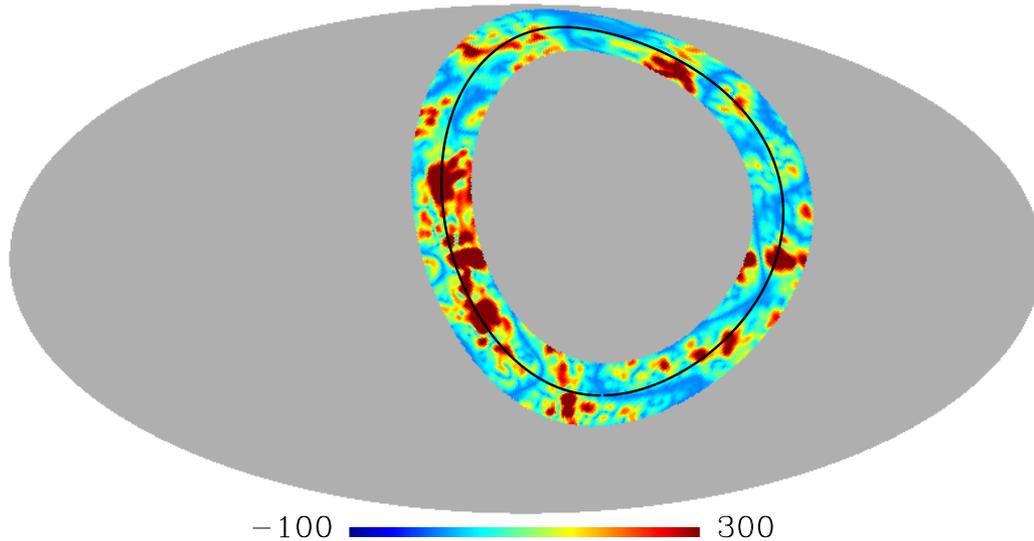
synch      free-free      thermal dust



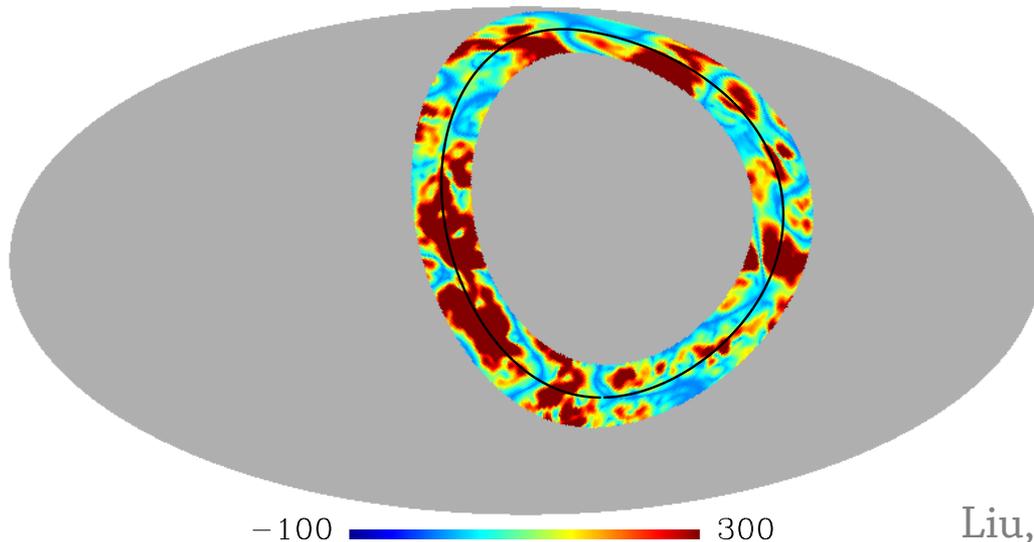
for Loop region:  $\beta \sim -3$  and  $\sim 1.4$

# Spectral index

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- WMAP polarised intensity in
  - W (60 GHz)
  - V (90 GHz)



- correlate with ILC9
- ratio of average intensities in Loop I region: 1.7
- spectral index:  $\sim 1.3$

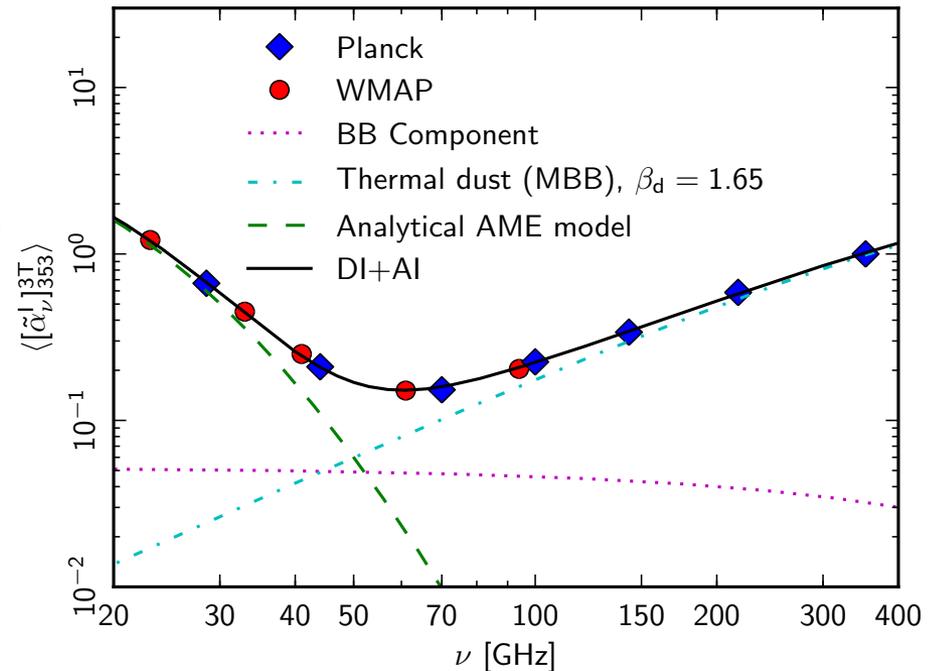


DUST

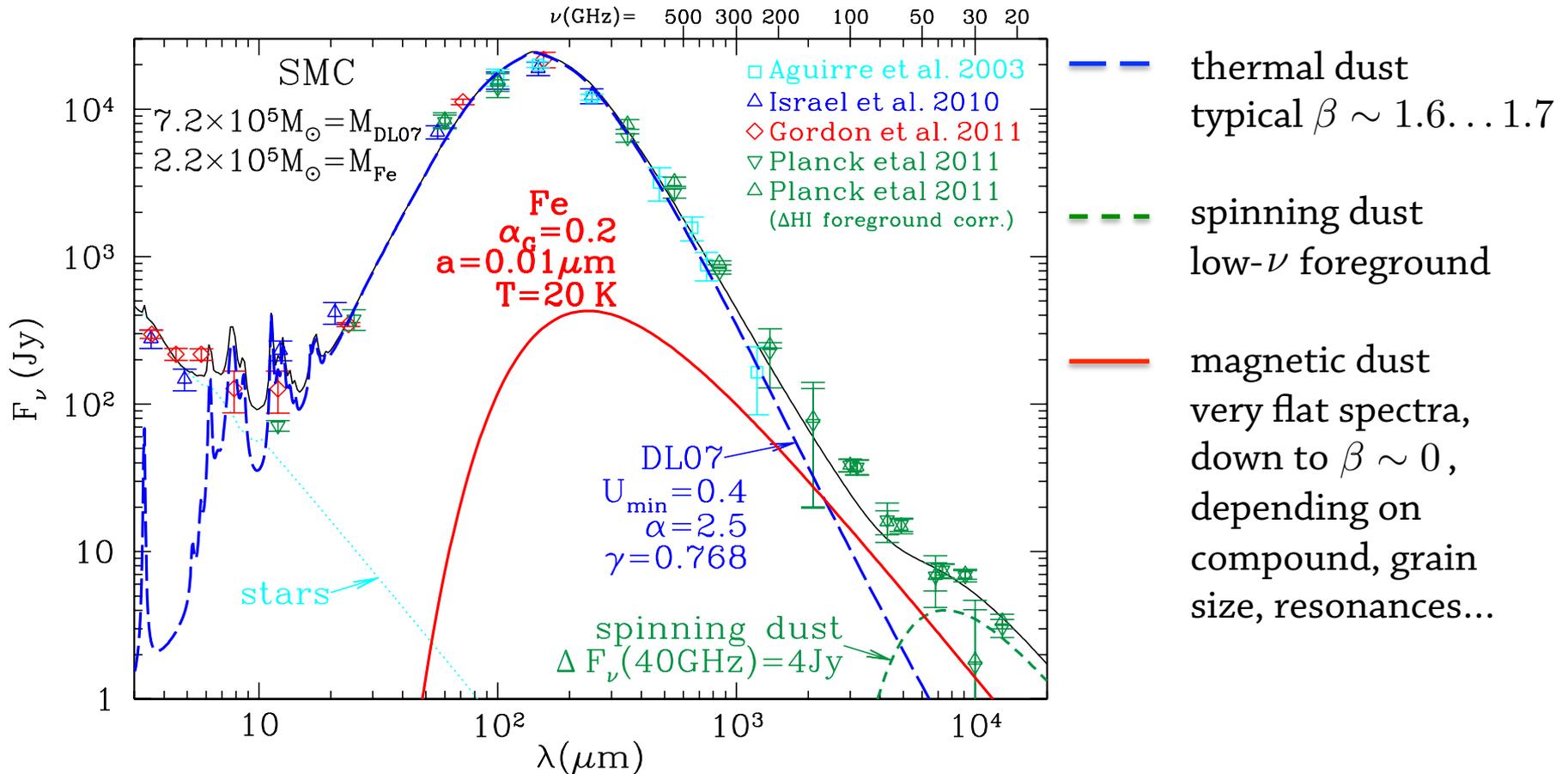
Fat WEIGH BOARD

# Evidence for magnetised dust I

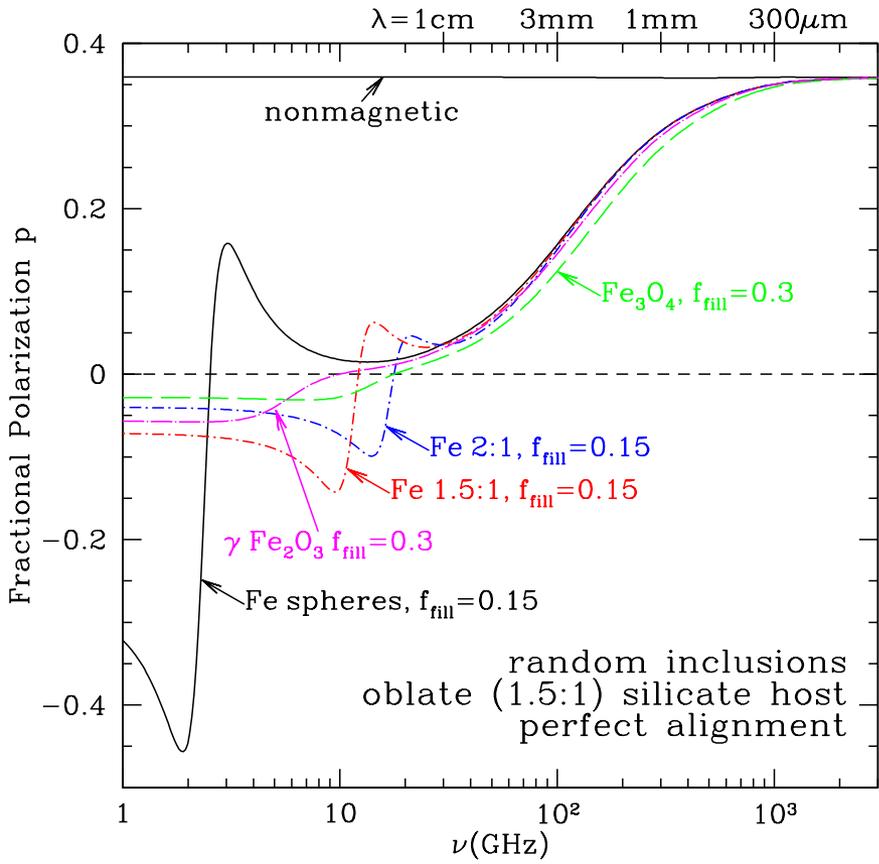
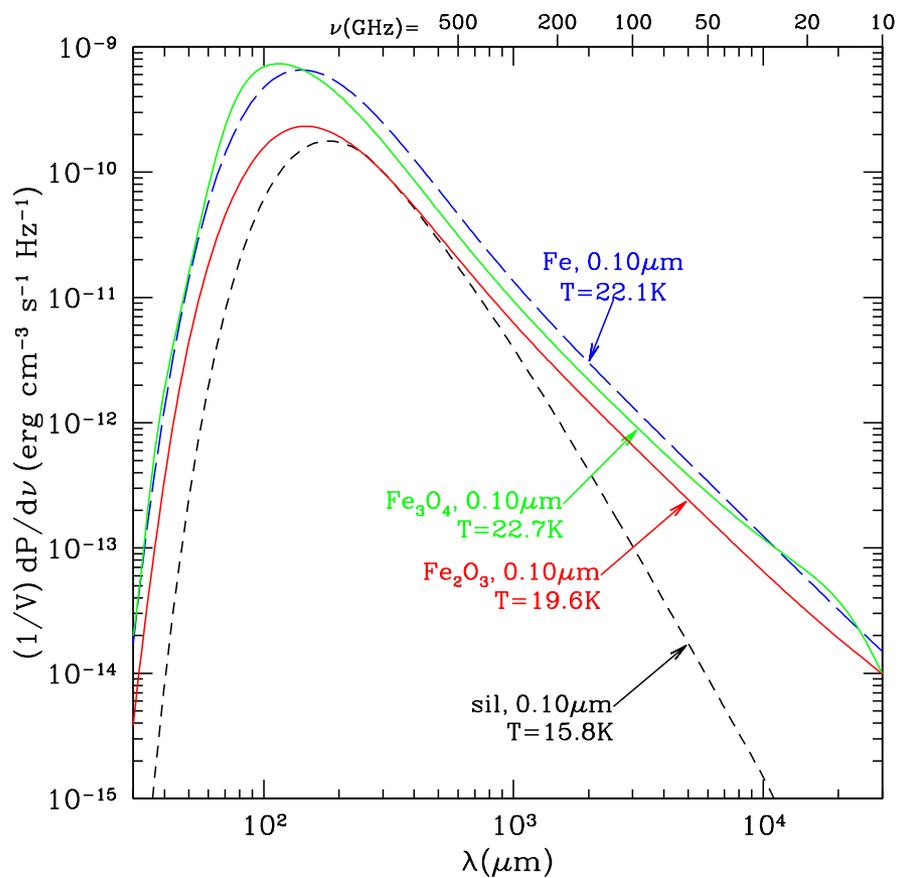
- correlation  $\alpha_{353}(\nu)$  of WMAP and *Planck* frequency maps with dust template (353 GHz) in intensity and polarisation
- model as
  - CMB: achromatic
  - synchrotron:  $A_s \nu^{\beta_s}$
  - thermal dust:  $A_d \nu^{\beta_d} B(\nu, T_d)$
  - AME: spinning dust
- in intensity:  $T_d \simeq 19$  K and  $\beta_d \simeq 1.52$  (cf. in FIR,  $\beta_d \sim 1.7$ )
- possible interpretation: magnetised dust, BB spectrum
- $7\sigma$  evidence for magnetised dust?!



# Evidence for magnetised dust II



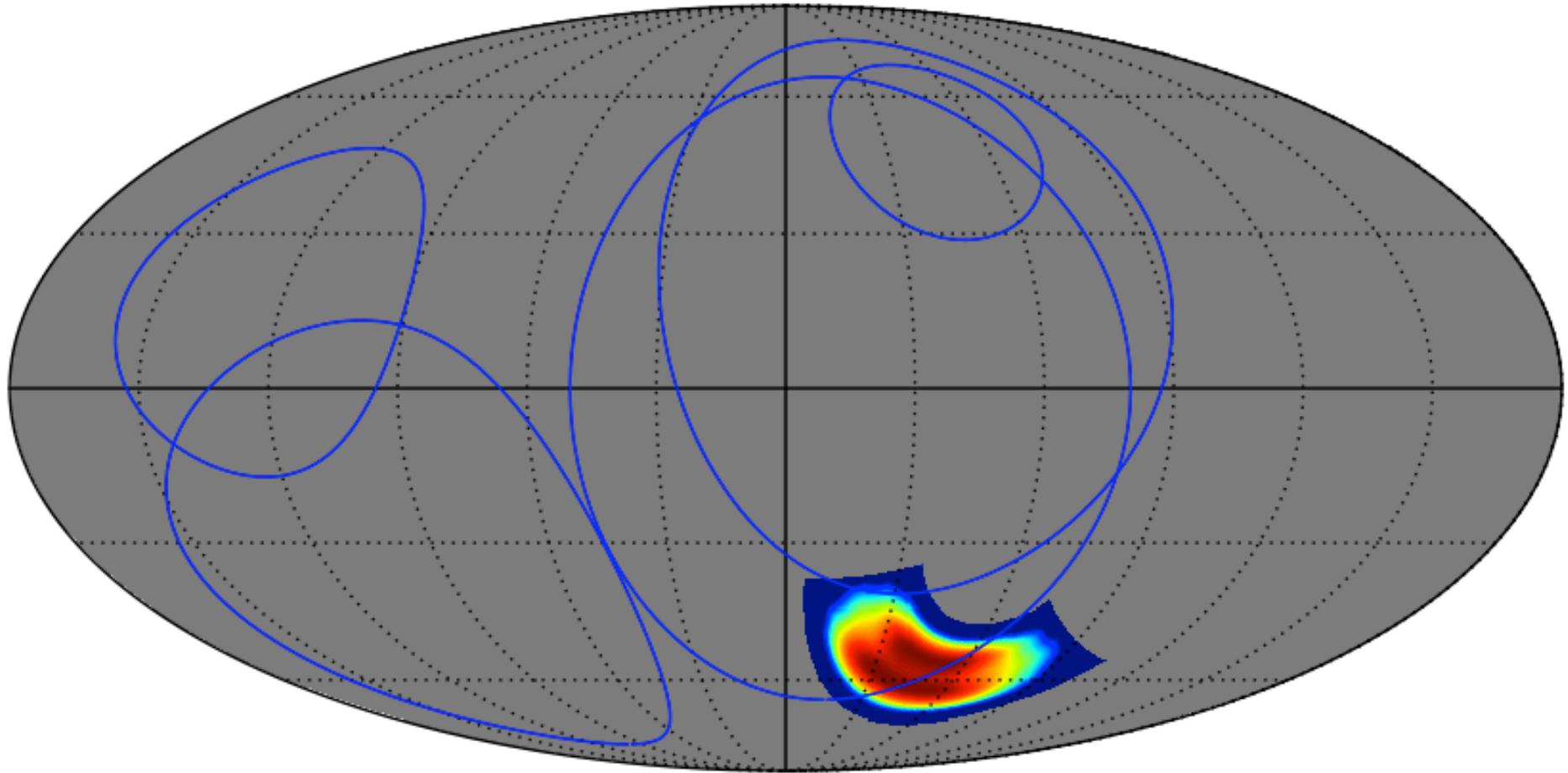
# Magnetic dipole radiation

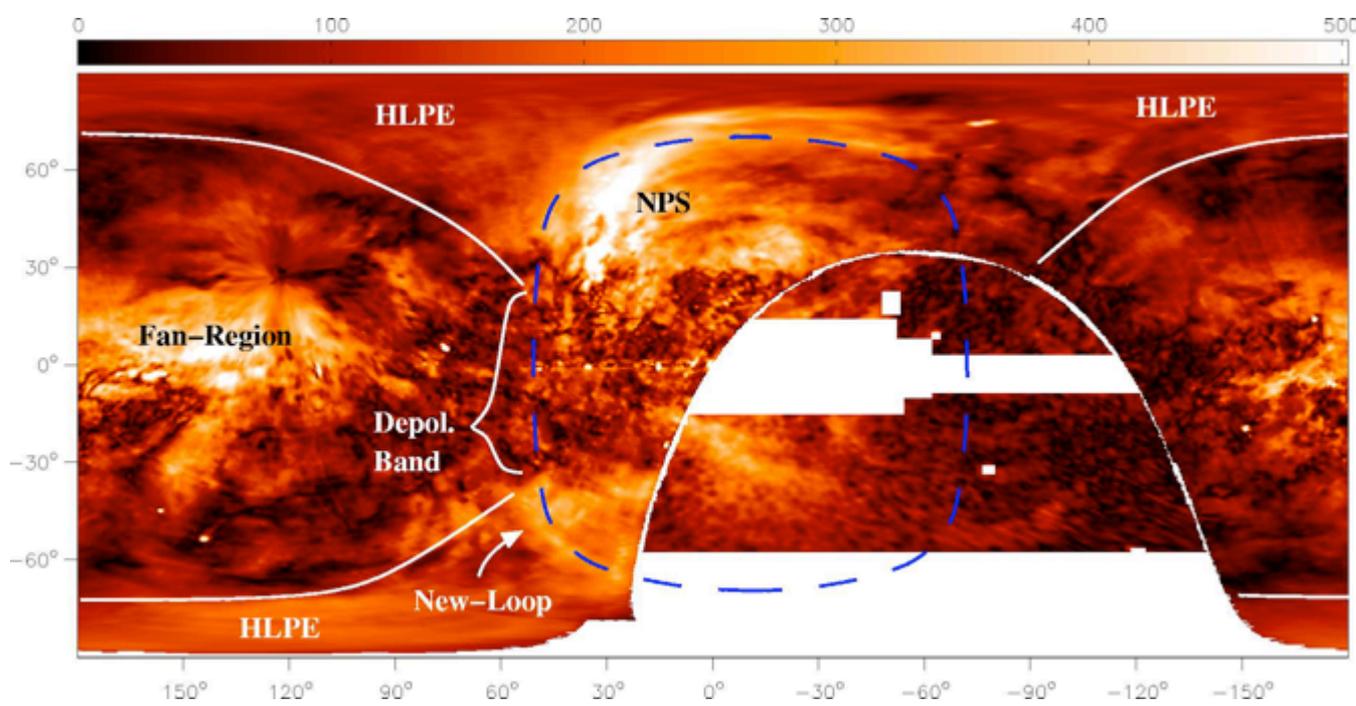


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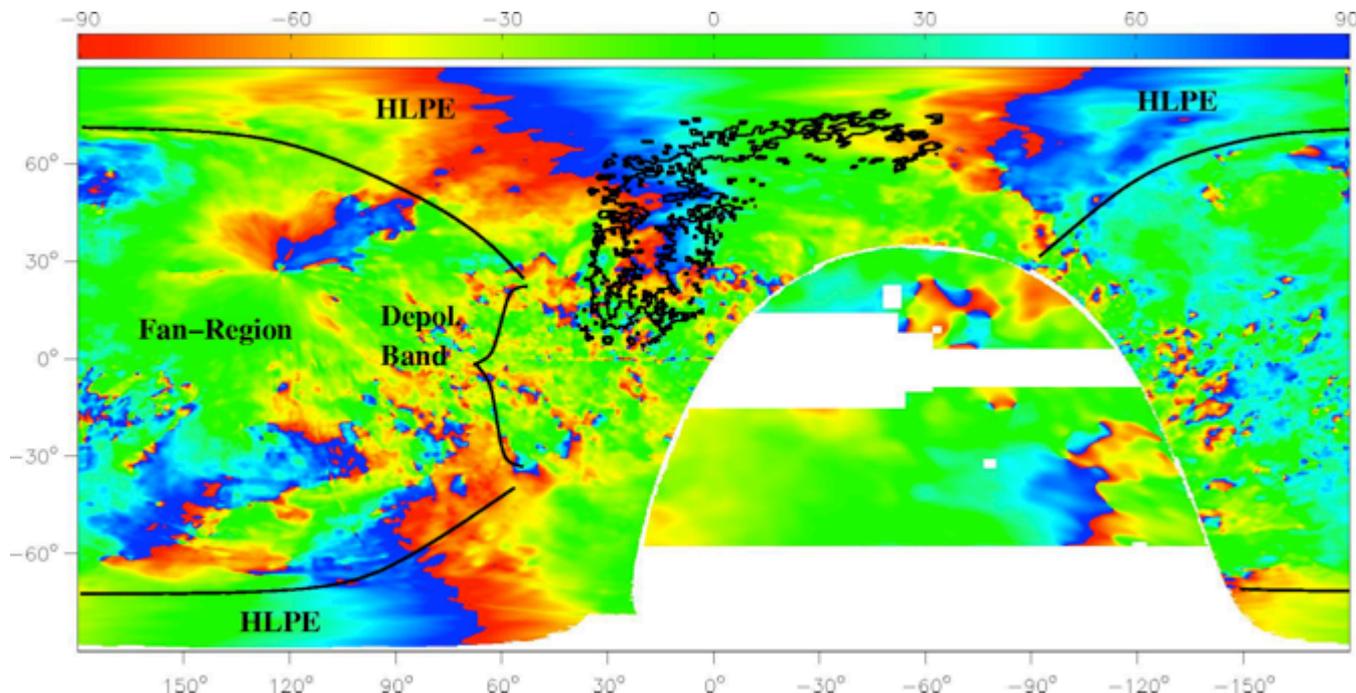


# BICEP2 variance-weight map & loops



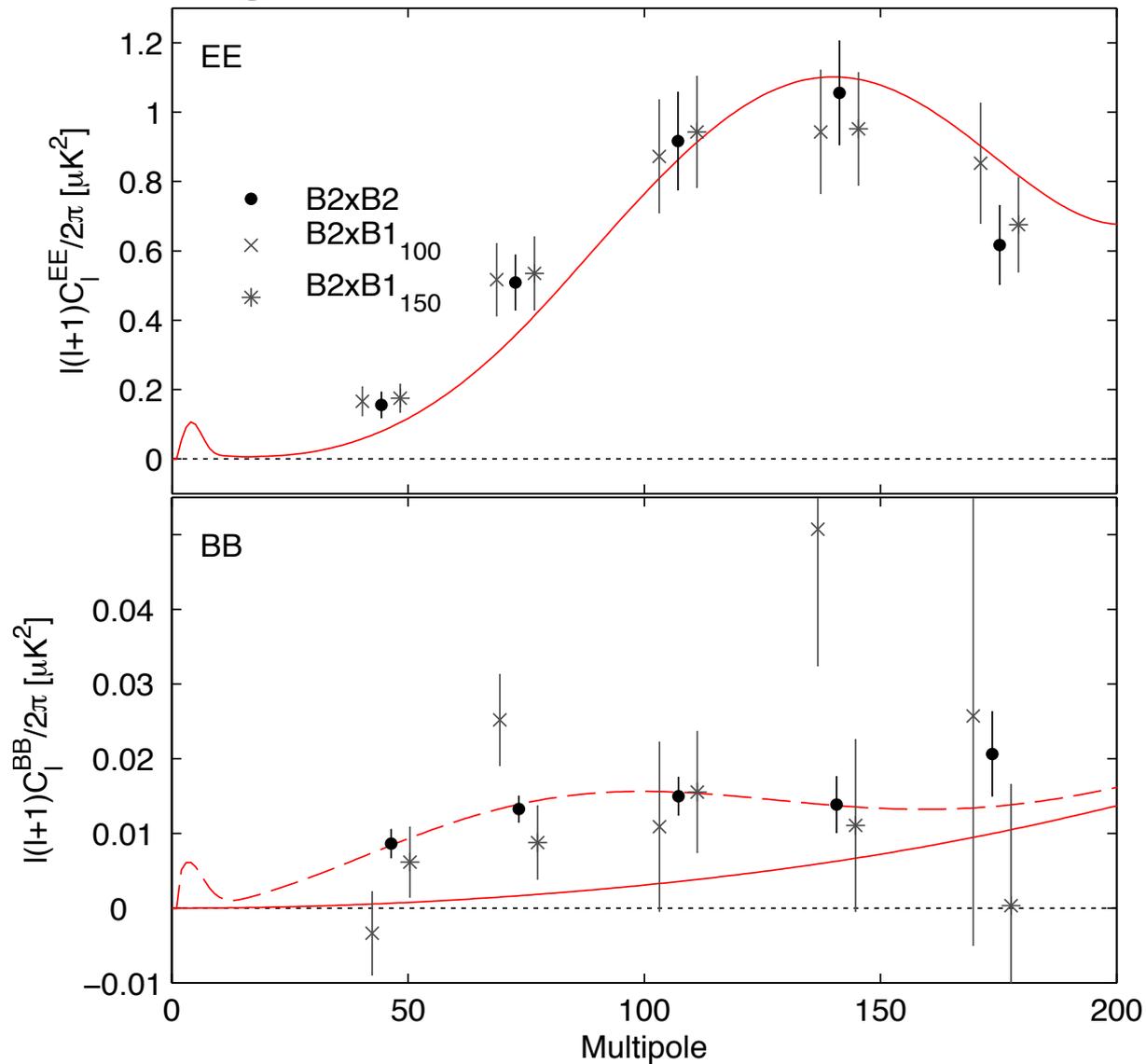


polarisation  
(1.4 and 23 GHz)

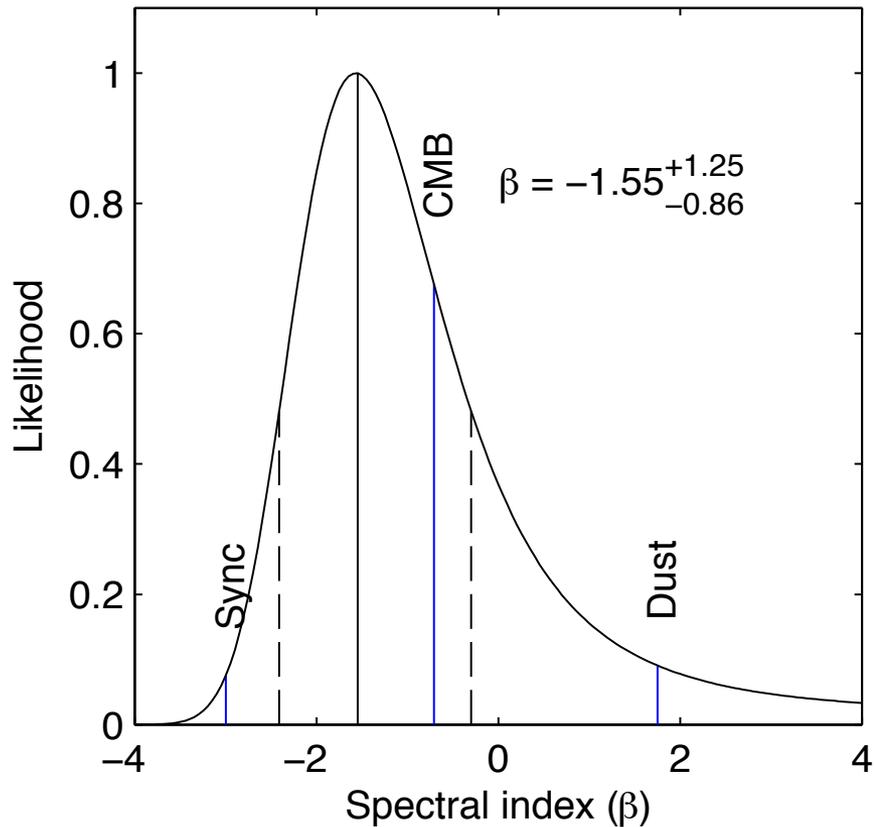


polarisation angle

# Foregrounds: spectral index



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maximum likelihood fit with 6 parameters:

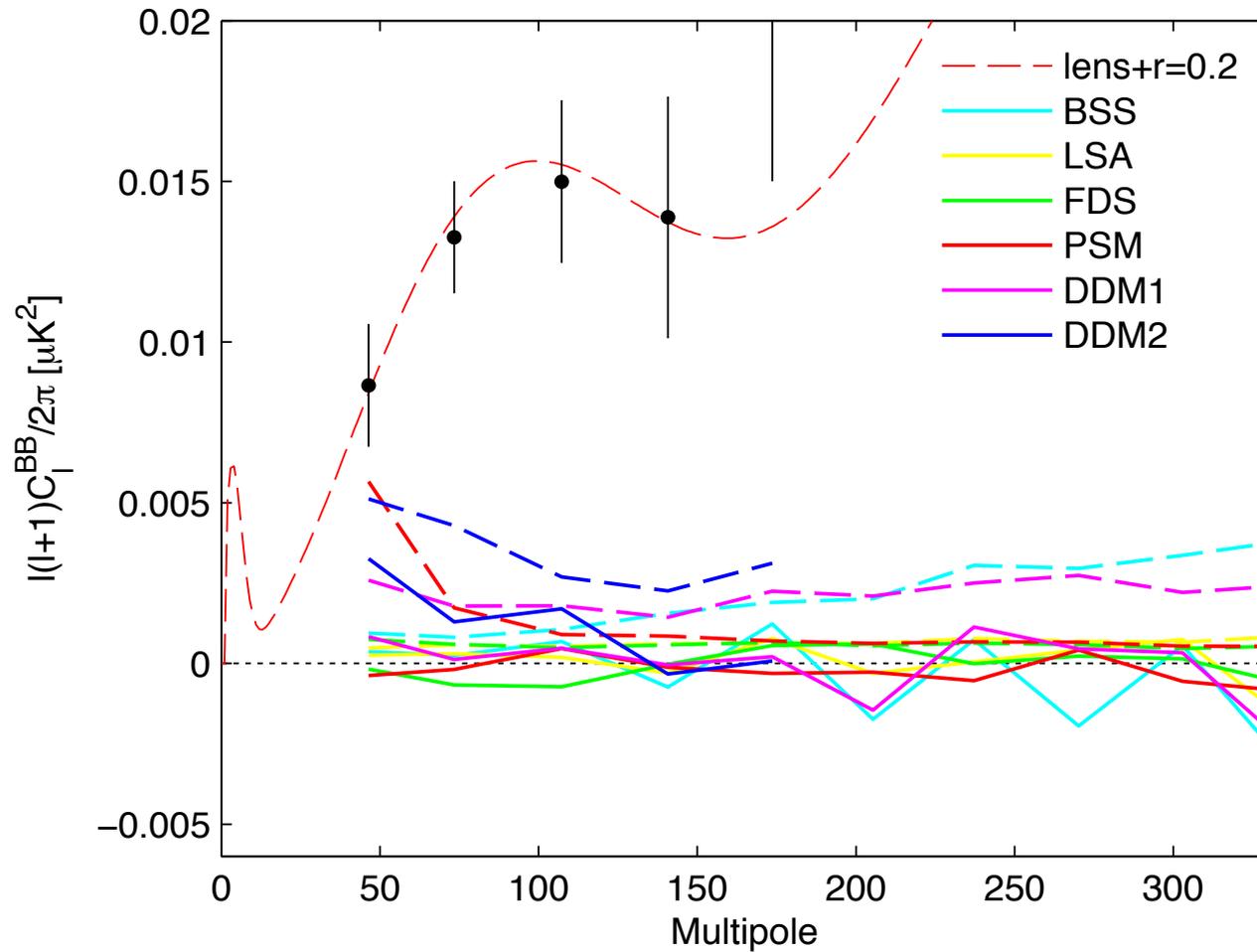
- bandpowers 1-5
- spectral index  $\beta$

expectations:

- $\beta \sim -3$  for synchrotron
- $\beta \sim 1.75$  for dust
- $\beta \sim -0.7$  for CMB

synchrotron and dust disfavoured at  $2.3\sigma$  and  $2.2\sigma$

# Foreground models



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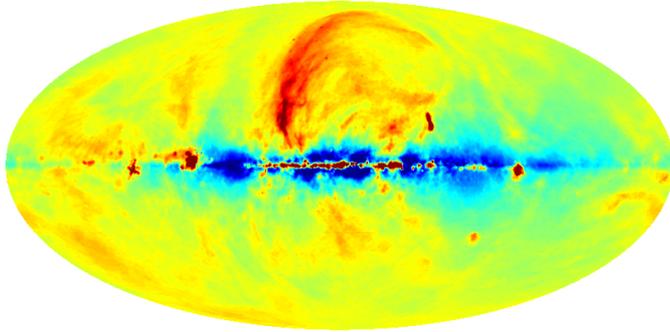
- FDS
  - based on 100 and 240  $\mu\text{m}$  data at few degree resolution
  - largely compatible with WMAP 94 GHz morphology, but underestimating dust at GHz by up to 30%  
*Gold et al., ApJS* **180** (2009) 265
  - 5% polarisation fraction and constant angle
- BSS
  - based on FDS dust map, modeling different
- LSA
  - large-scale galactic magnetic field
  - 5% polarisation fraction, angle has only large scale structure  
*O'Dea et al., MNRAS* **419** (2012) 1795
- PSM
  - similar to *O'Dea et al.*, structure on scales 3-20 degrees from synchrotron maps

based on Planck 353 GHz dust map:

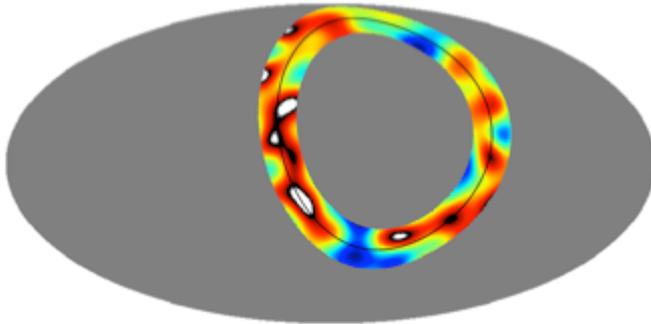
- DDM1 – assuming 5% polarisation fraction, angles from PSM
- DDM2 – polarisation fraction & angles read off from Planck slides (?)

# Conlcusion

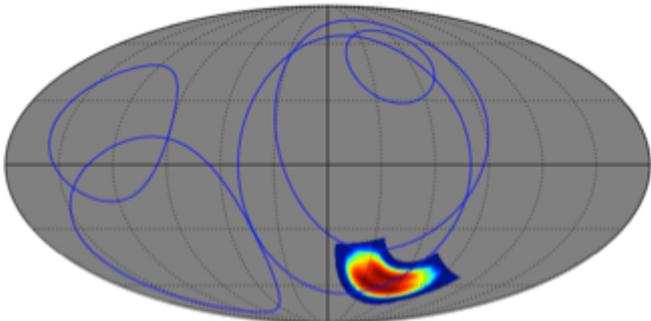
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radioloops  
efficiently modelled in angular power spectrum



contamination in CMB maps  
anomalous temperature & clustering  
➔ magnetised dust?



Wolleben's "New Loop"  
potentially high polarisation fraction  
potentially low spectral index