



# Probabilistic image reconstruction and power spectrum inference from radio interferometers

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## References:

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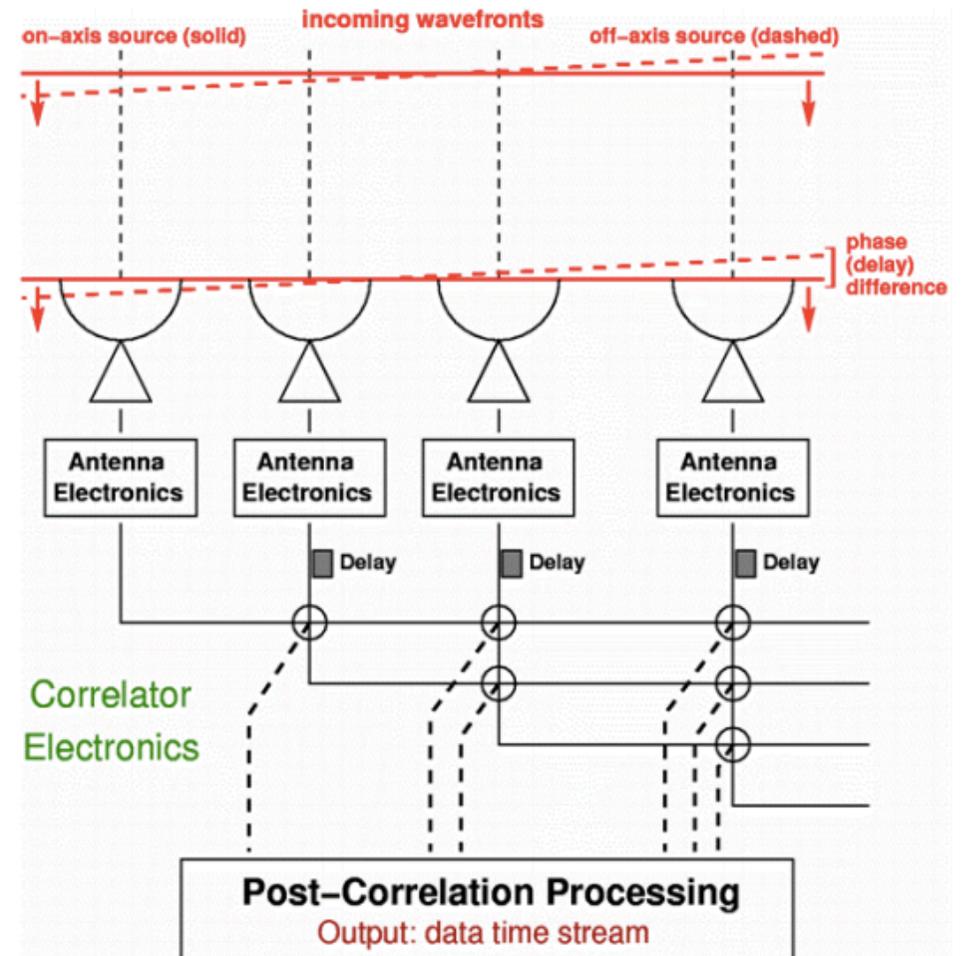
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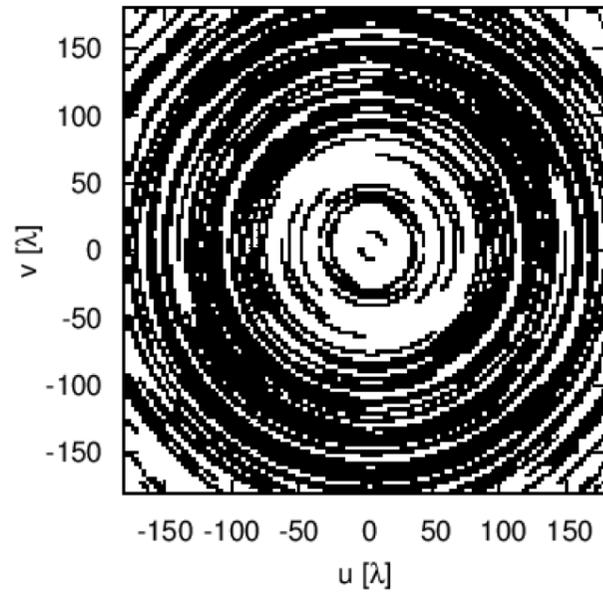
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# Interferometers

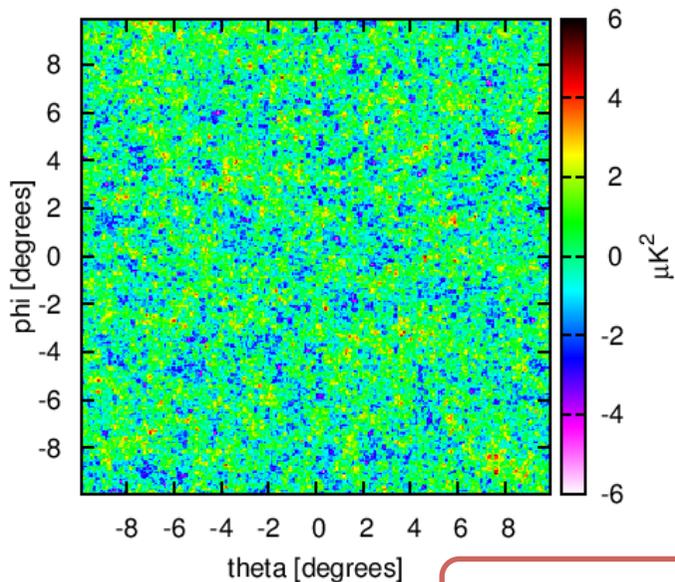


UV Coverage

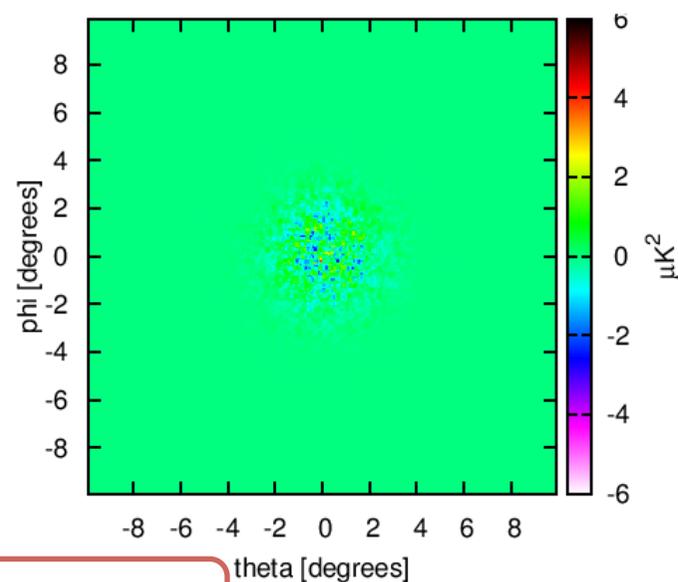


# Data model

signal

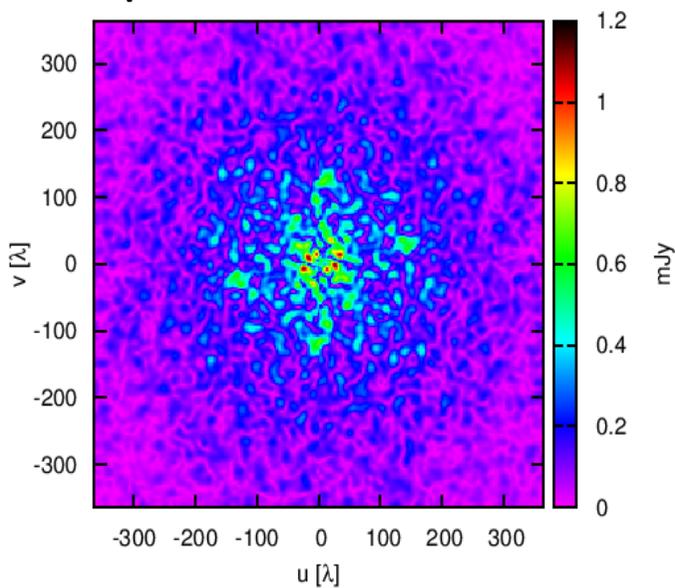


primary beam

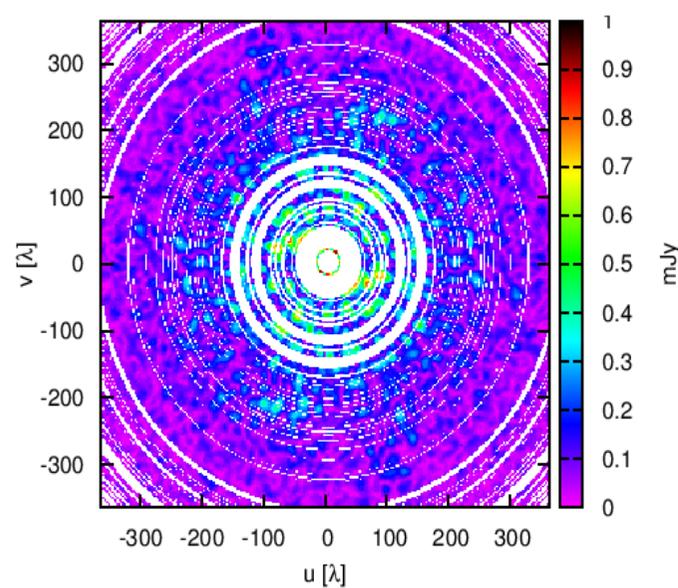


$$d = \text{IFAs} + n$$

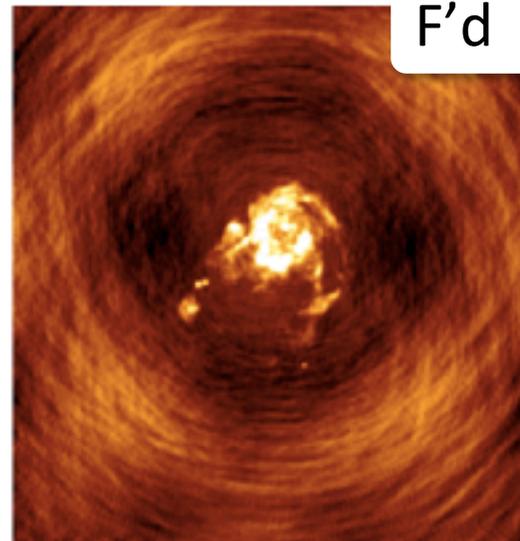
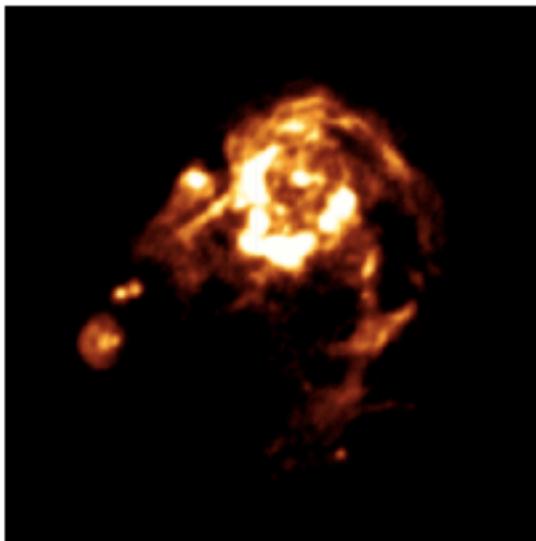
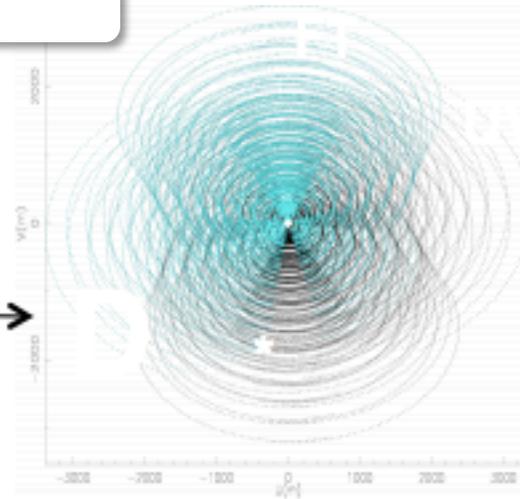
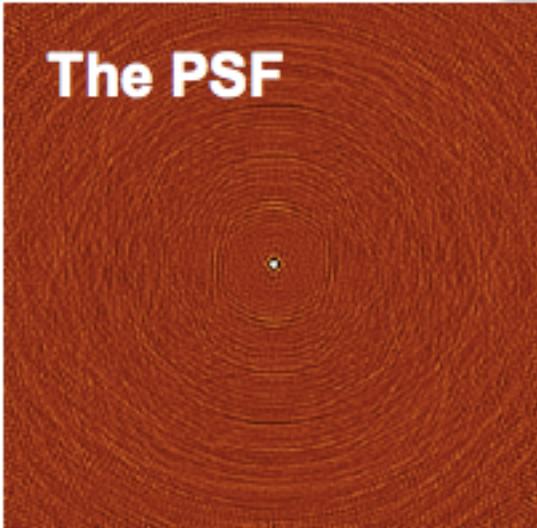
uv-plane



data

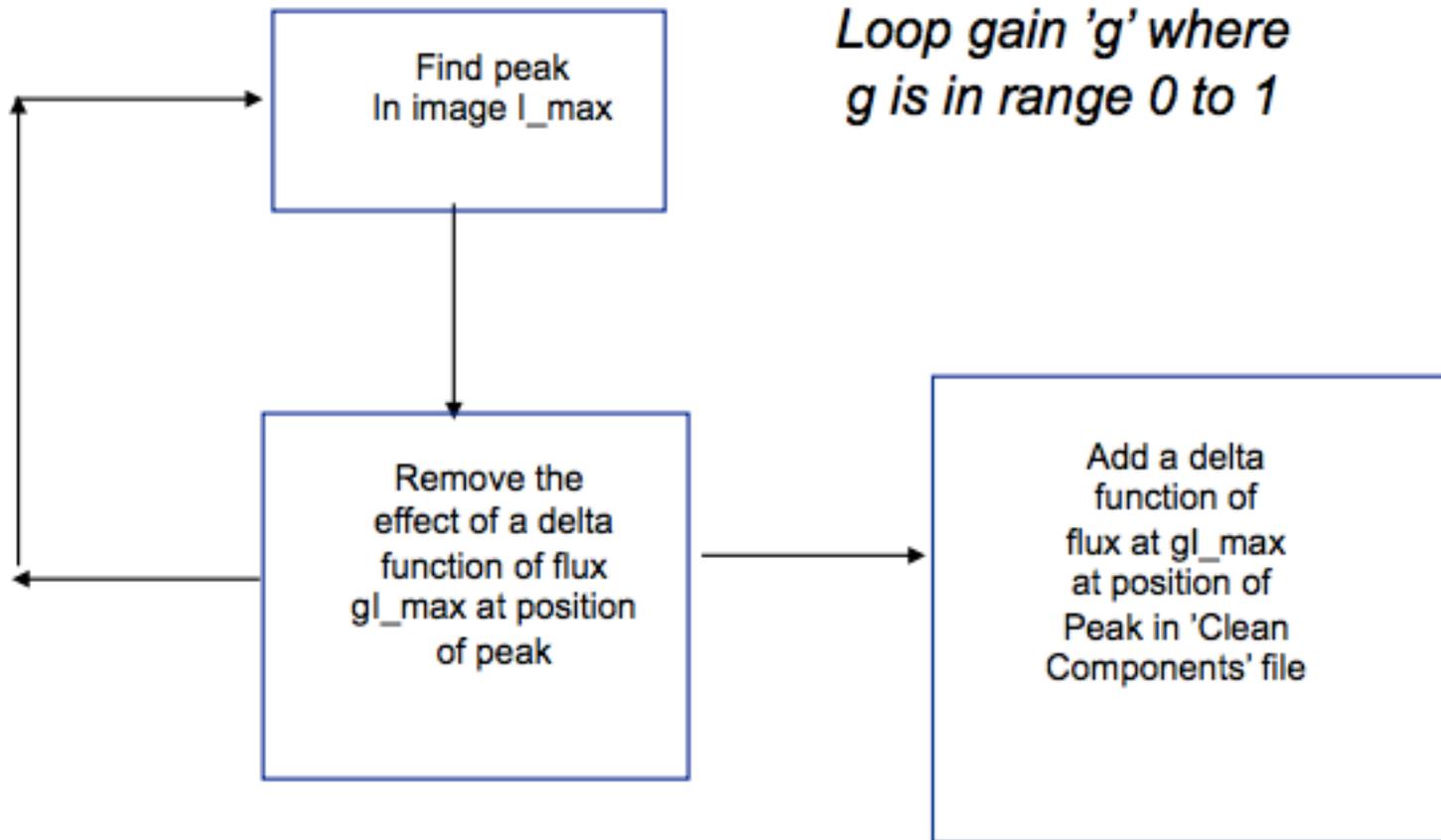


$$d = \text{IFAs} + n$$



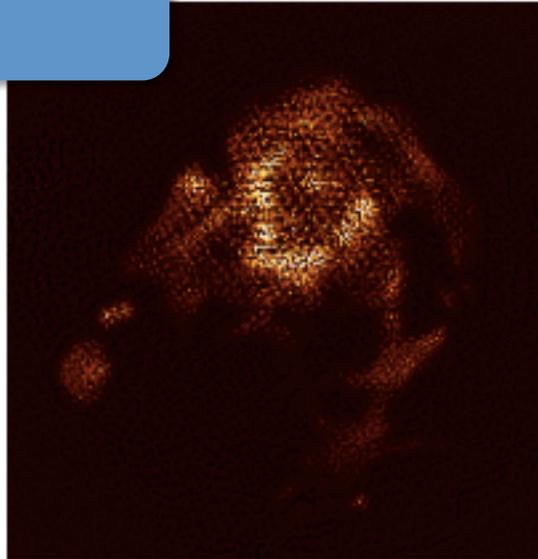
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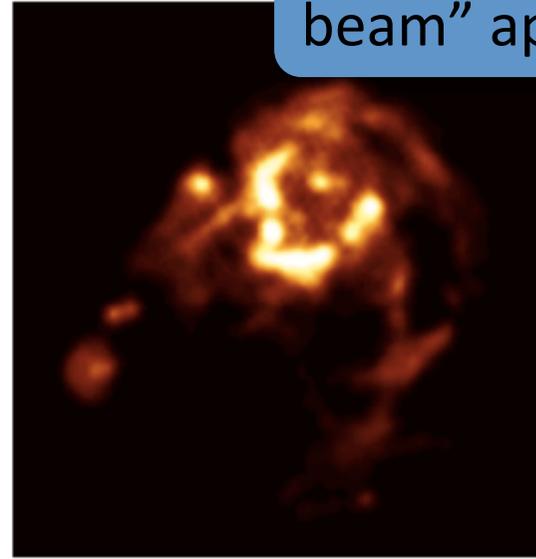


# traditional deconvolution: CLEAN

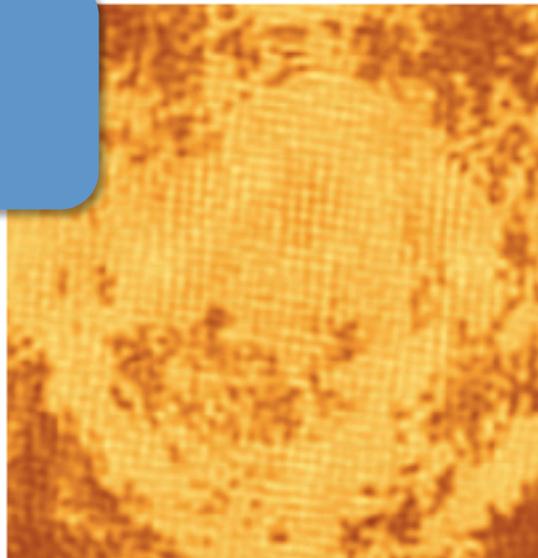
CLEAN Map



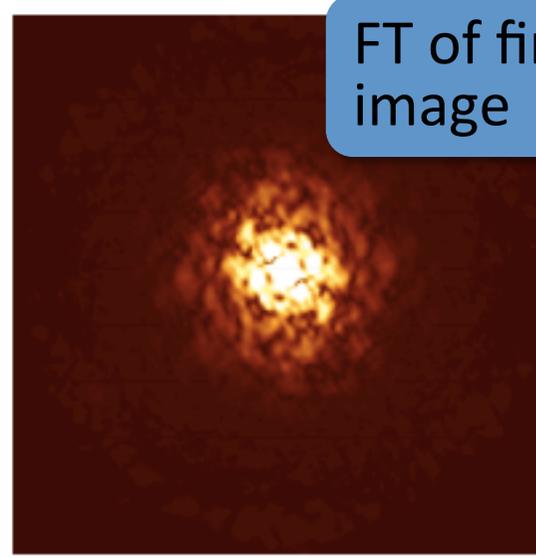
“restoring beam” applied



FT of CLEAN Map



FT of final image



# CLEAN is...

robust

~~minimally parametric~~

data-driven?

~~informative~~

scalable

fast

the community responds...

Maximum Entropy

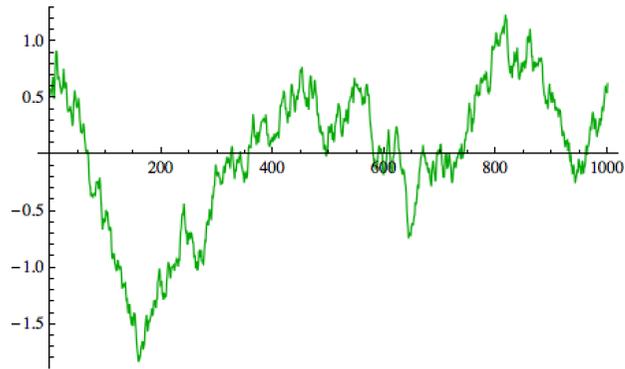
Multi-scale Multi-frequency

Compressed Sensing

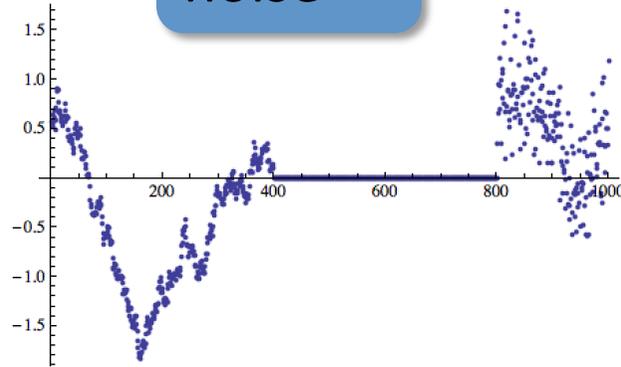
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# The Wiener filter

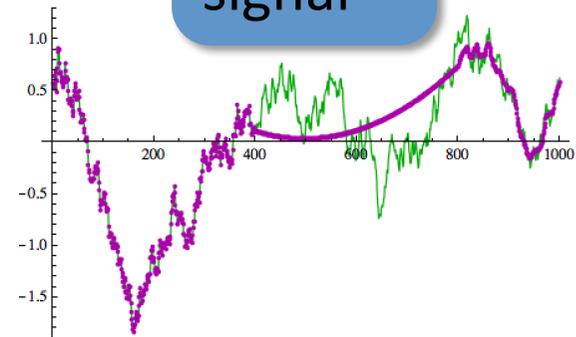
signal



signal + noise



Wiener filtered signal

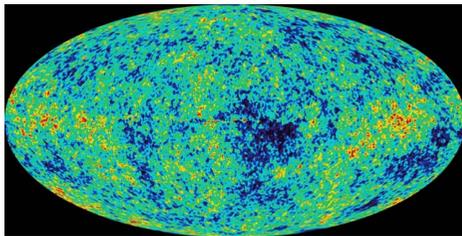
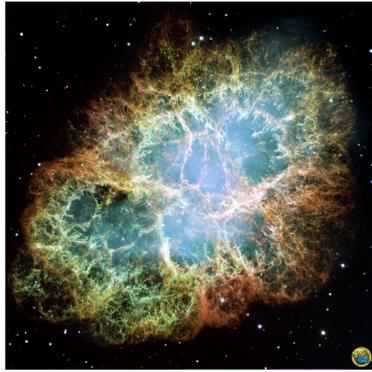


$$WF = \frac{IFA^* S}{IFA^2 S + N}$$

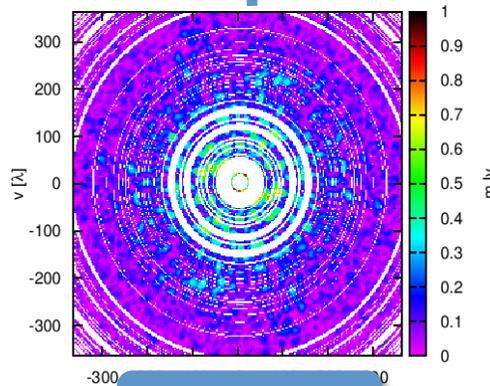
need to know signal covariance

need to know noise covariance

an infinity of guesses...



Wiener filter



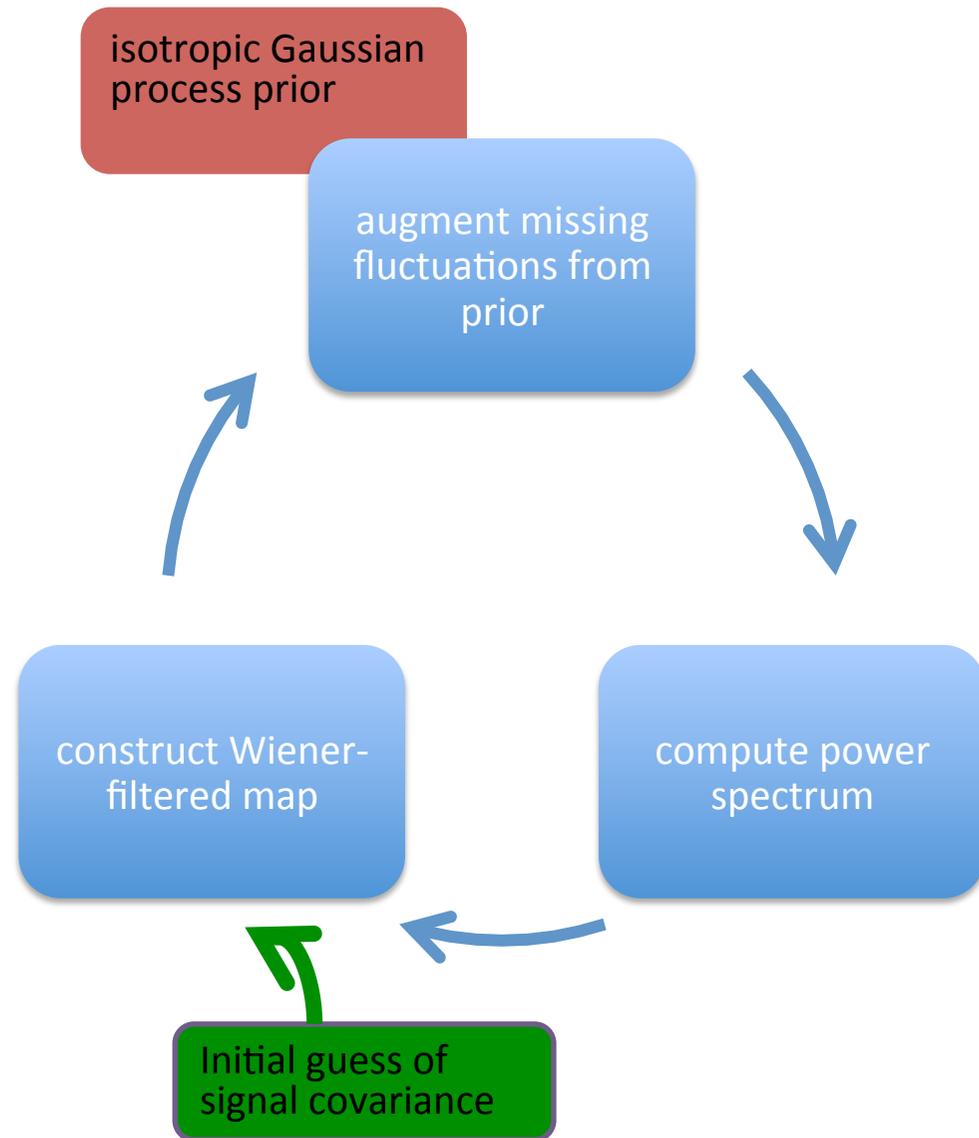
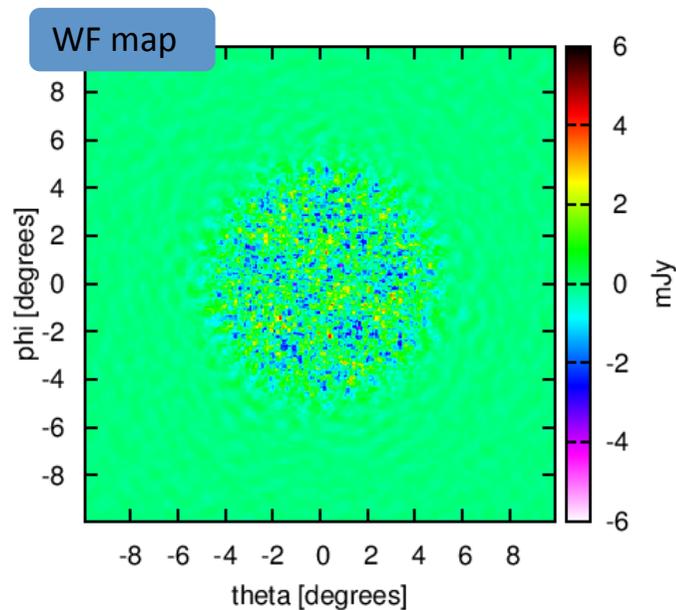
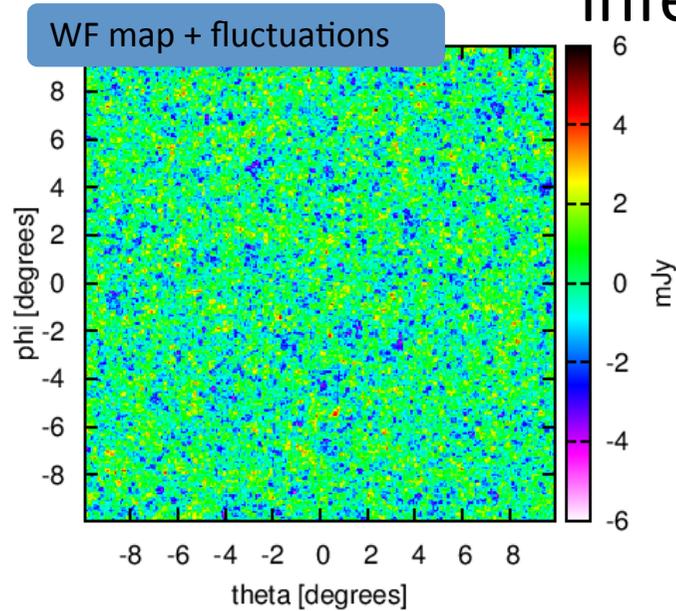
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no

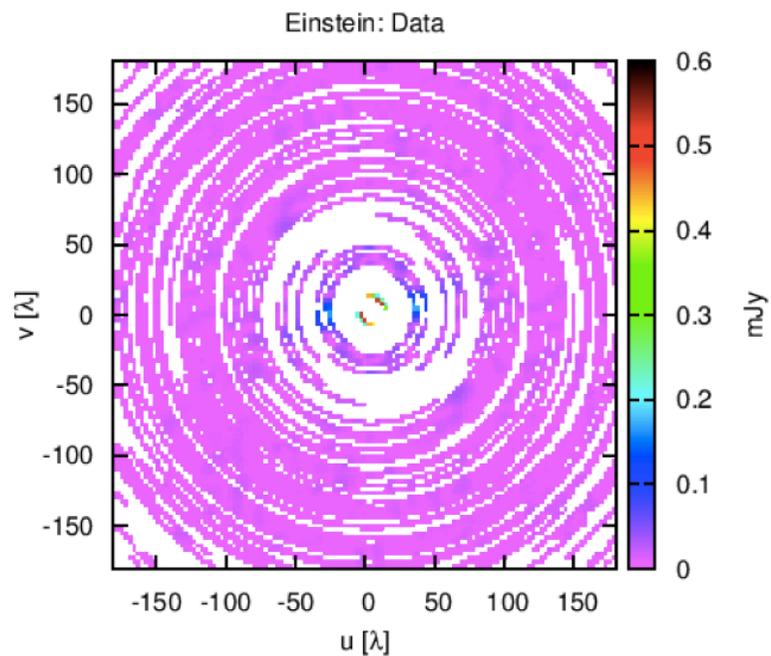
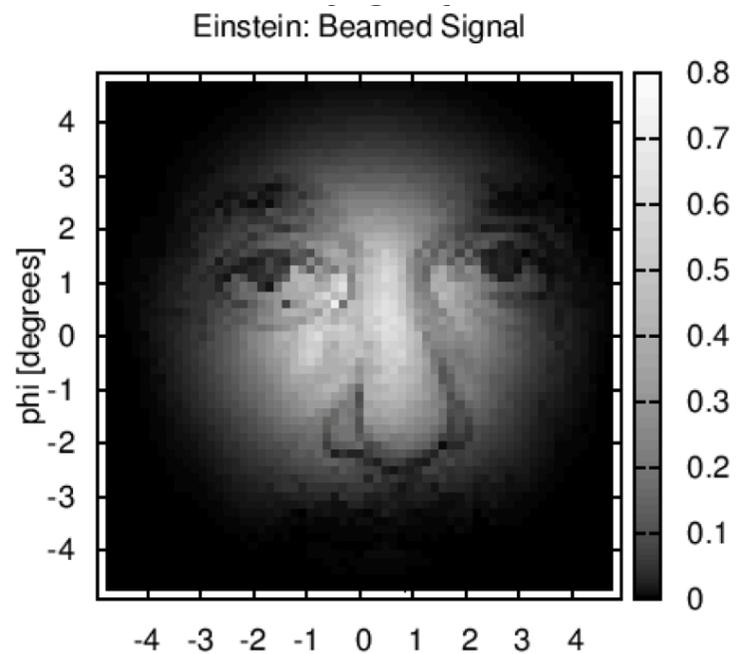
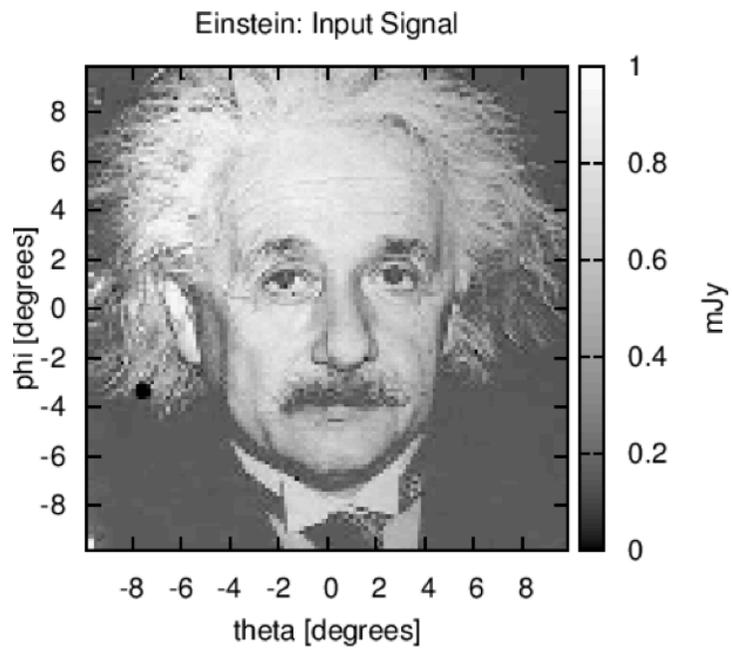
yes

no

# Gibbs sampling is a both power spectrum inference and non-linear Wiener filter

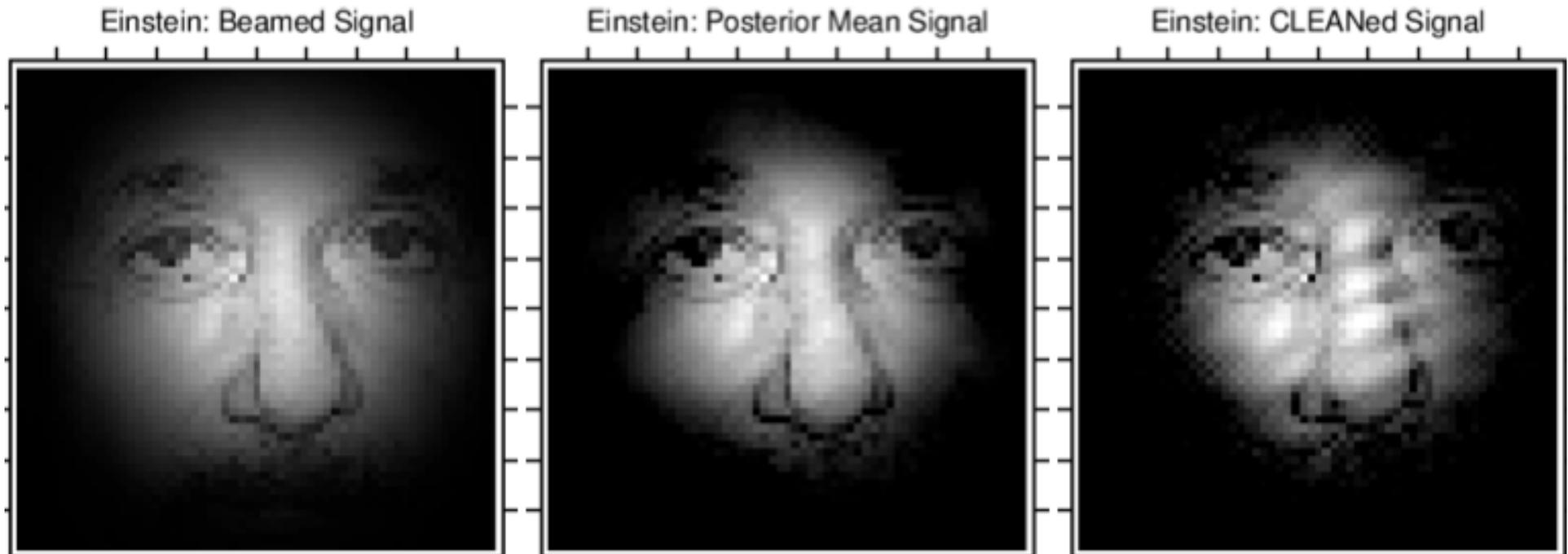


*(Sutter, Wandelt, Malu. 2011; Karakci et al. 2013)*



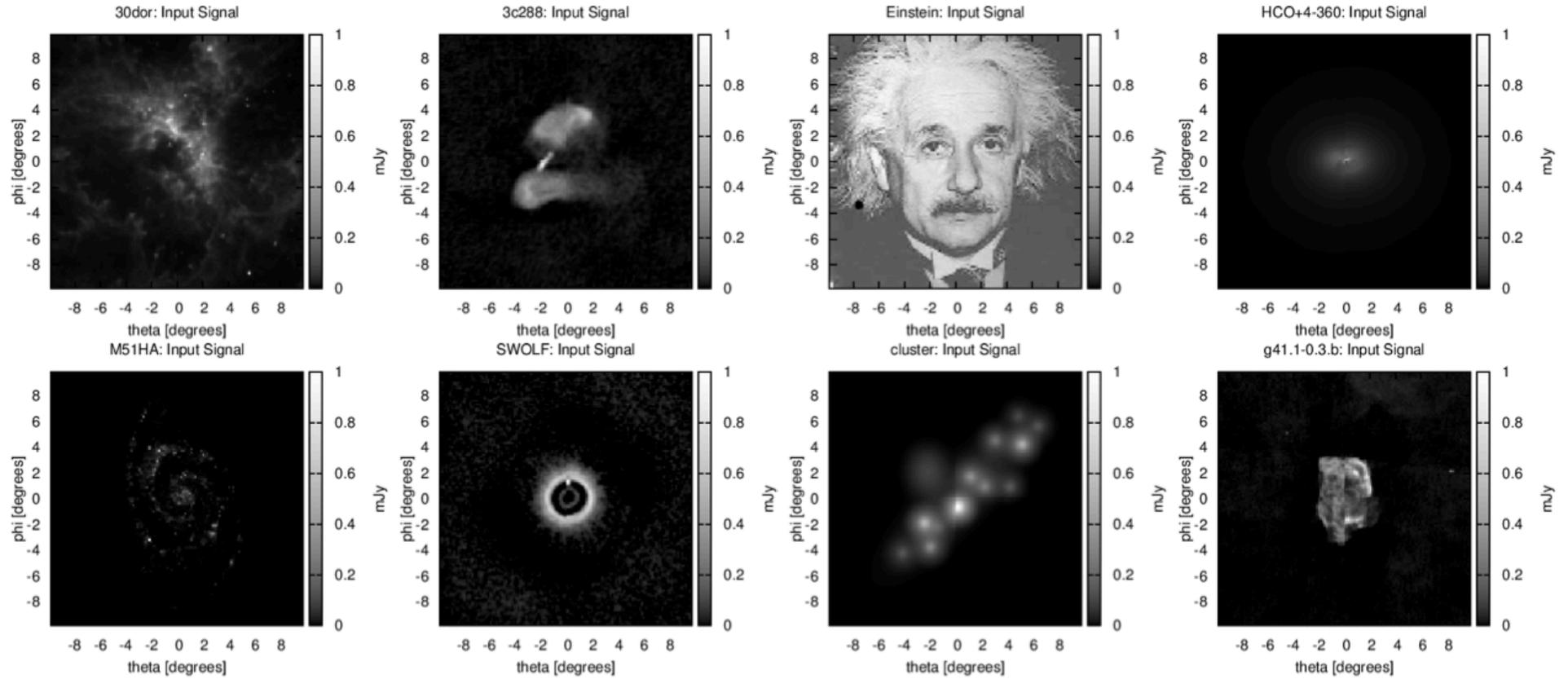
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# example: Einstein



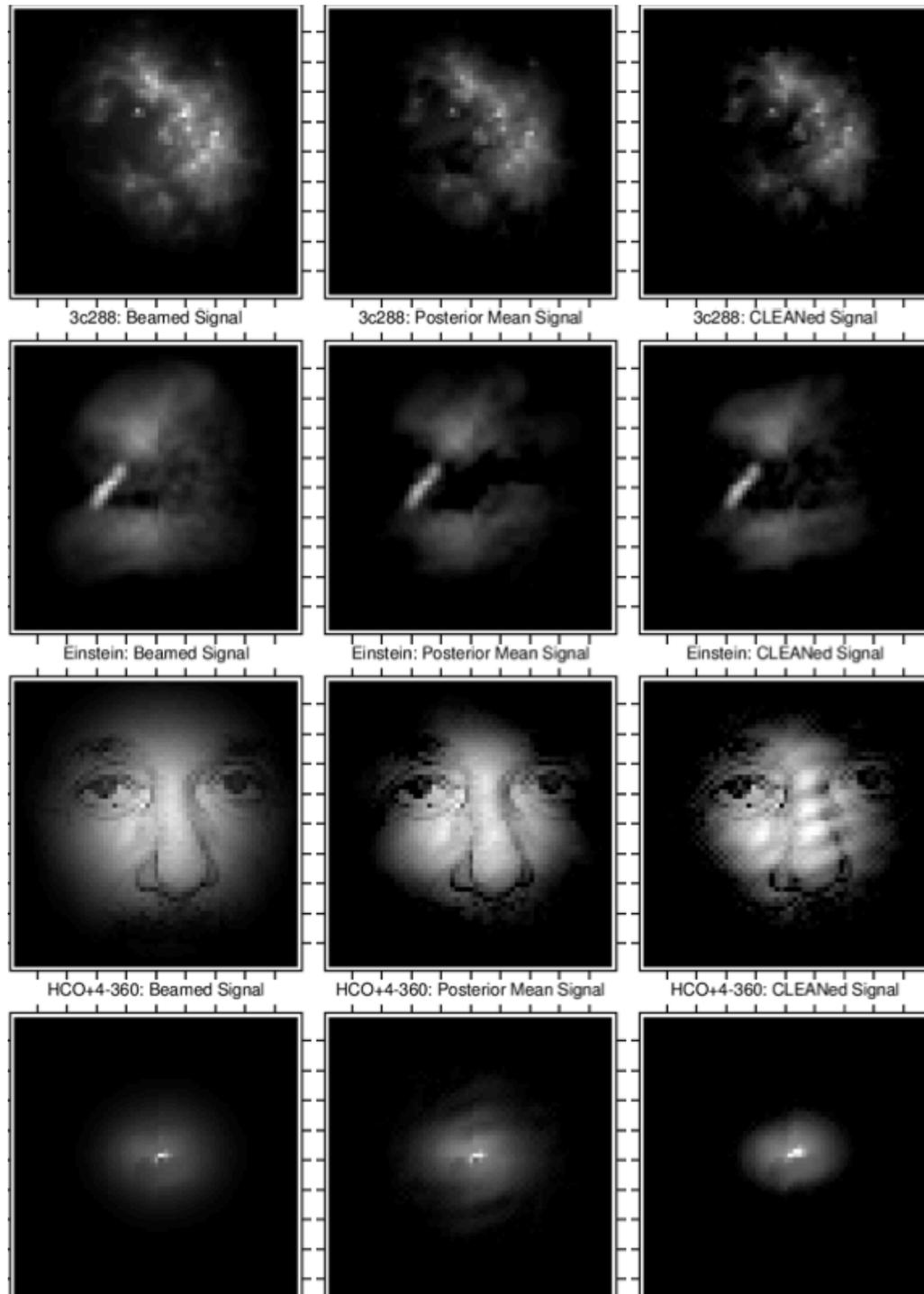
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# test images



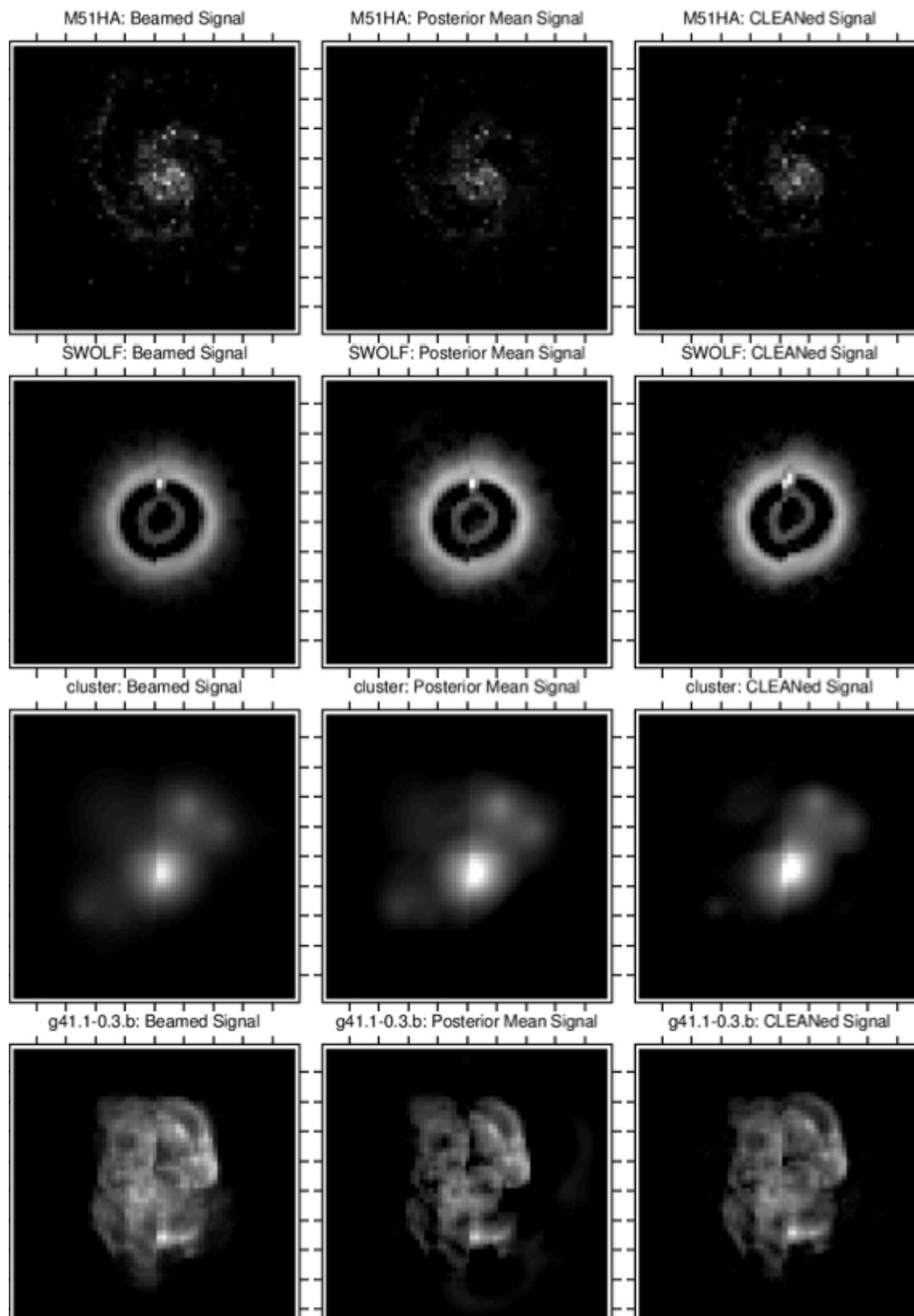
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# image results



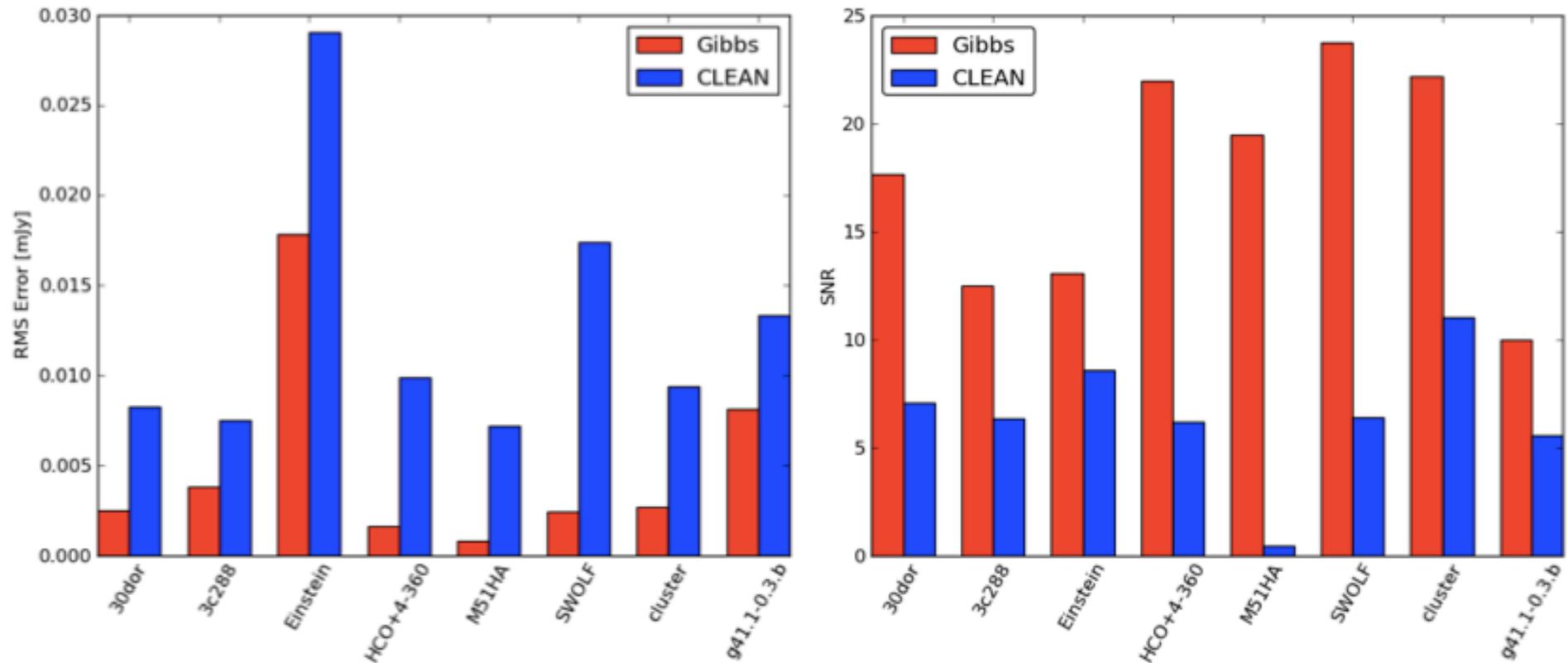
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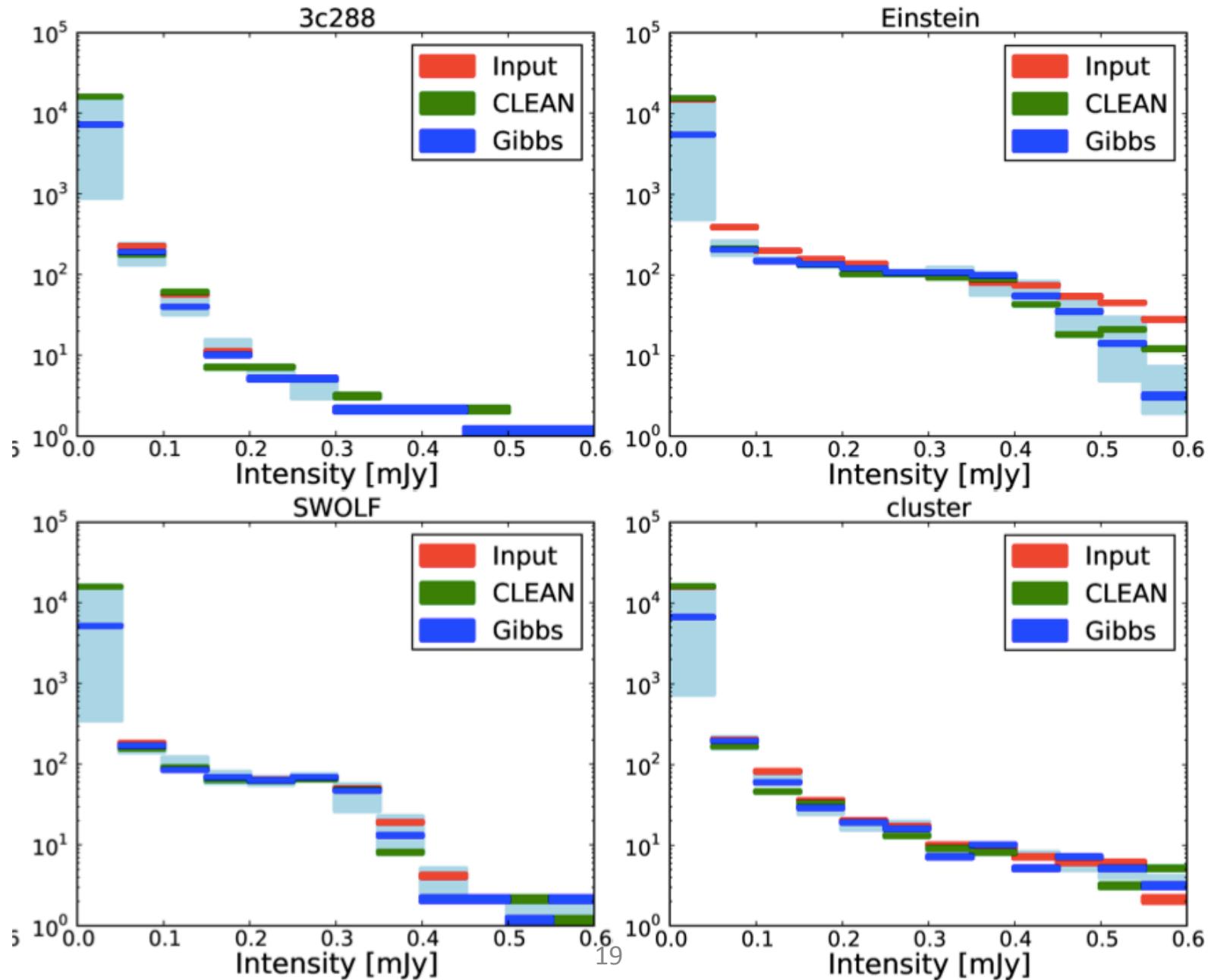
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# Gibbs performs better than CLEAN

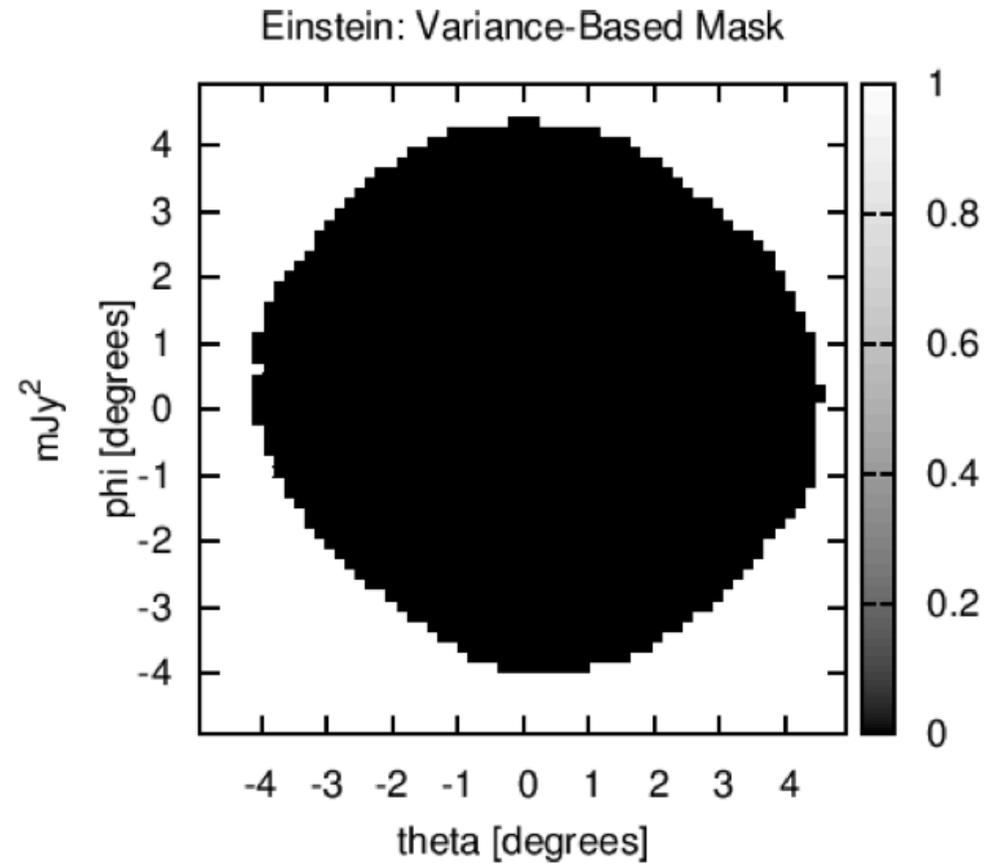
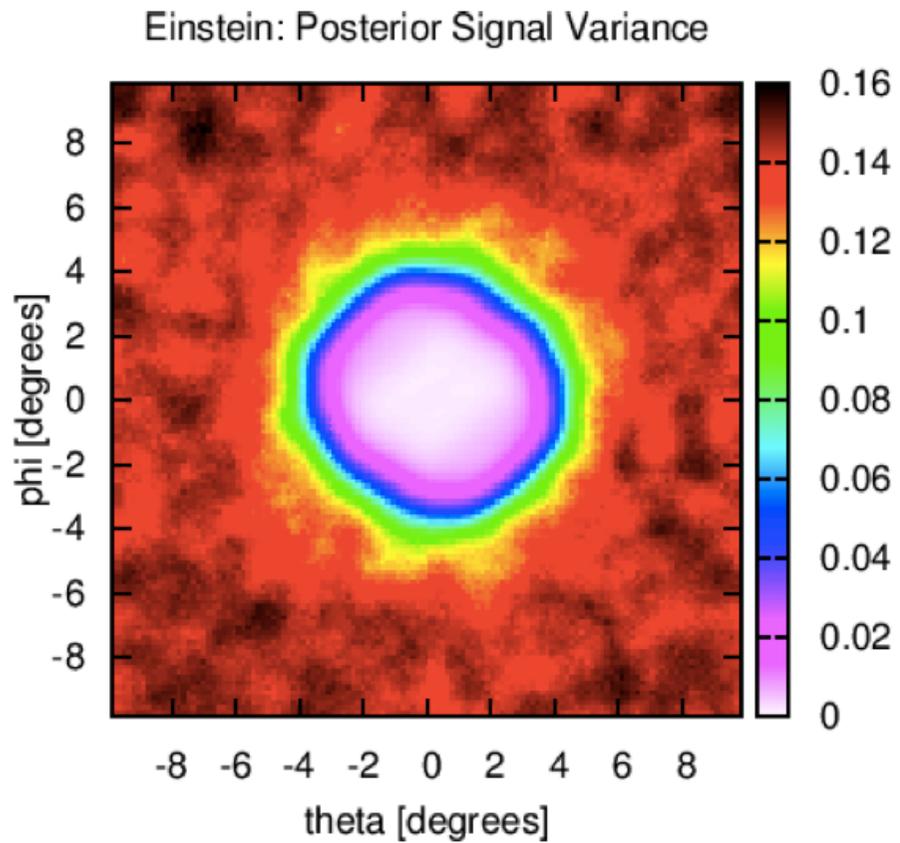


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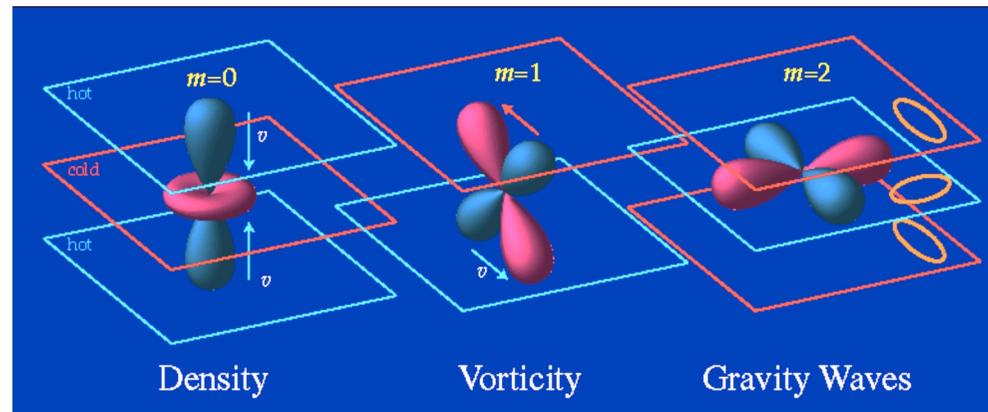
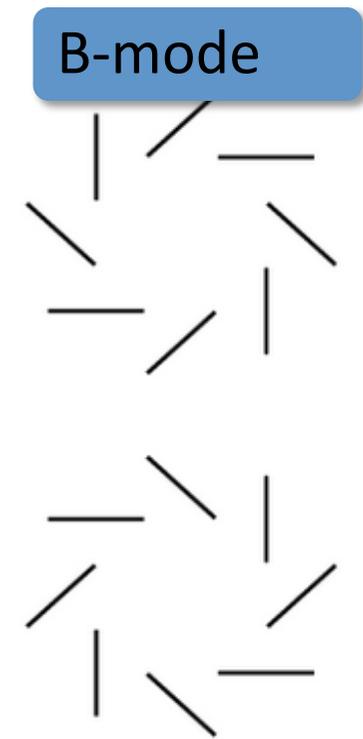
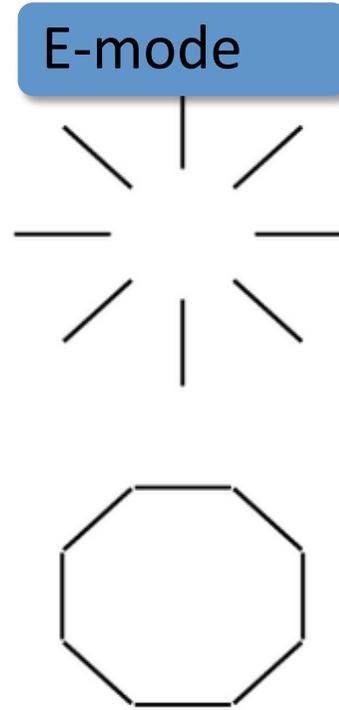
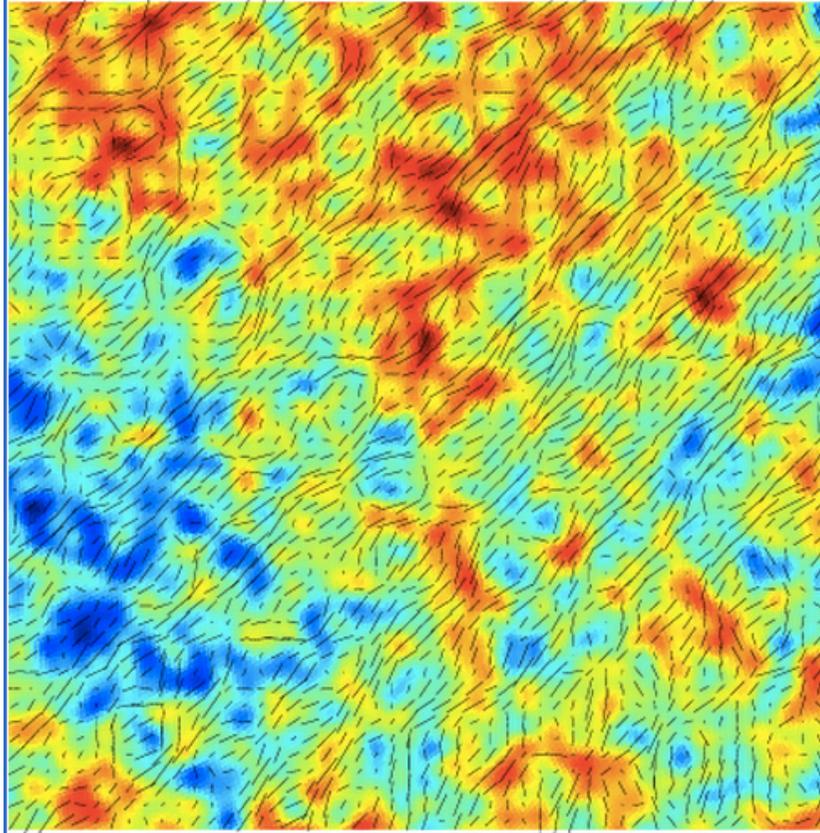
# Gibbs gives uncertainty information



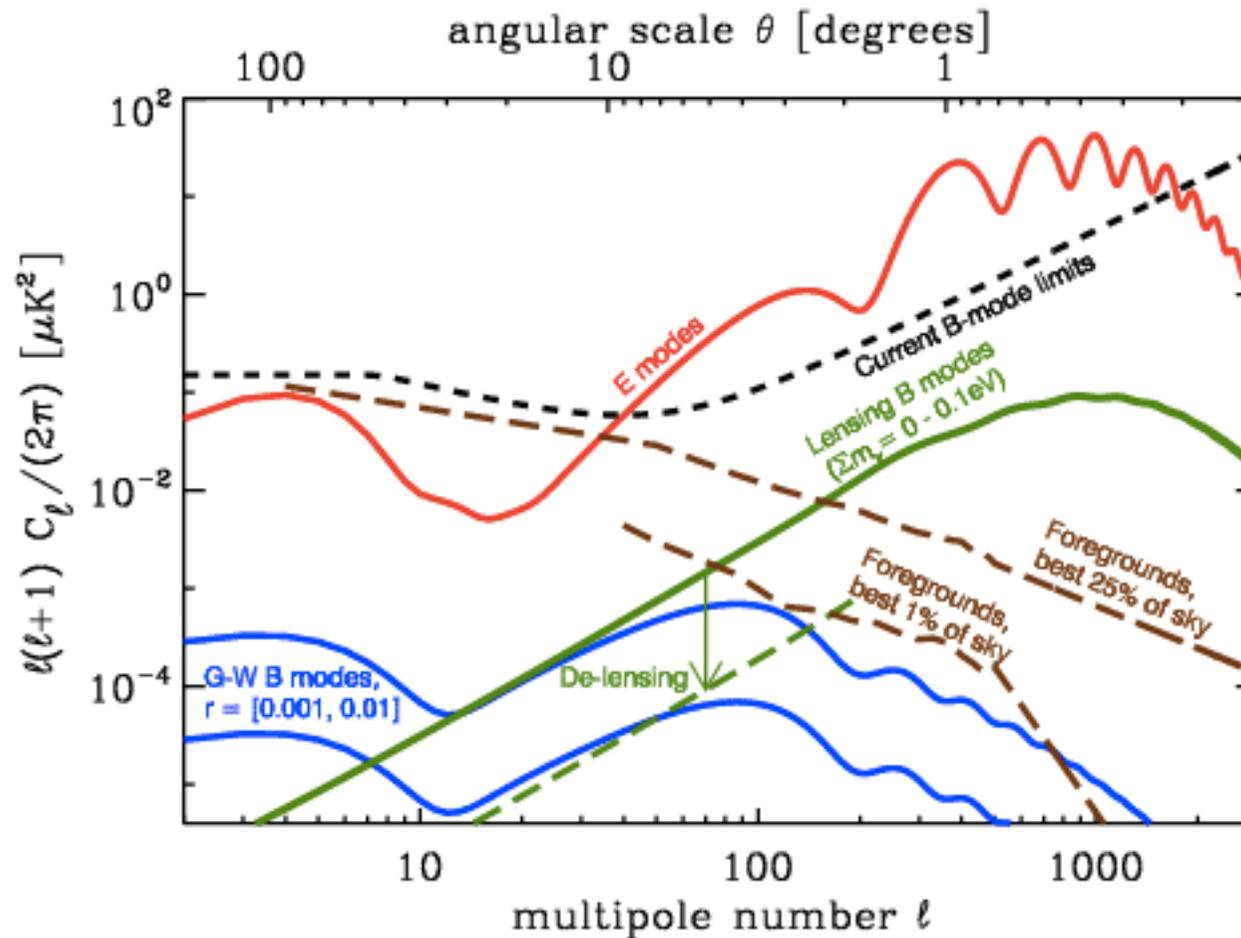
# Uncertainty information



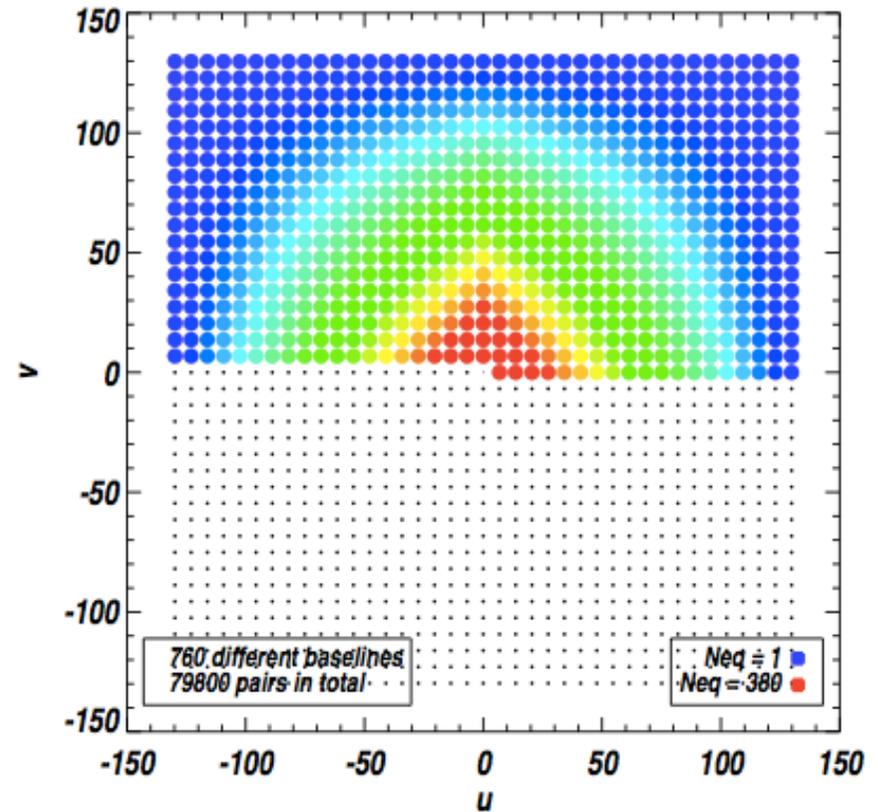
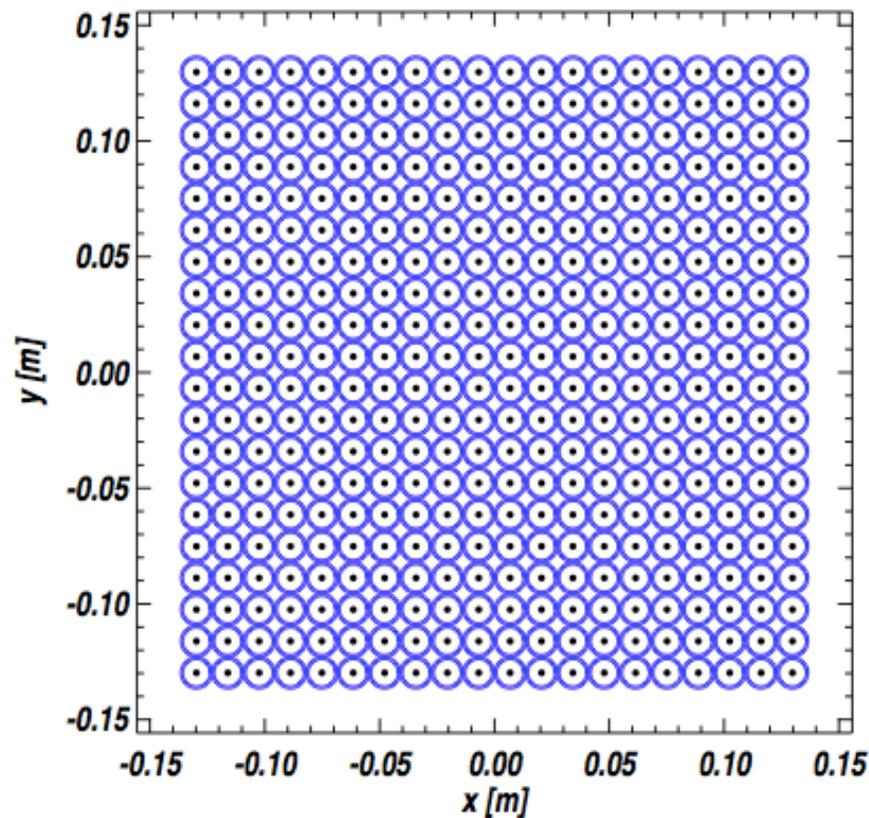
# application: CMB B-modes



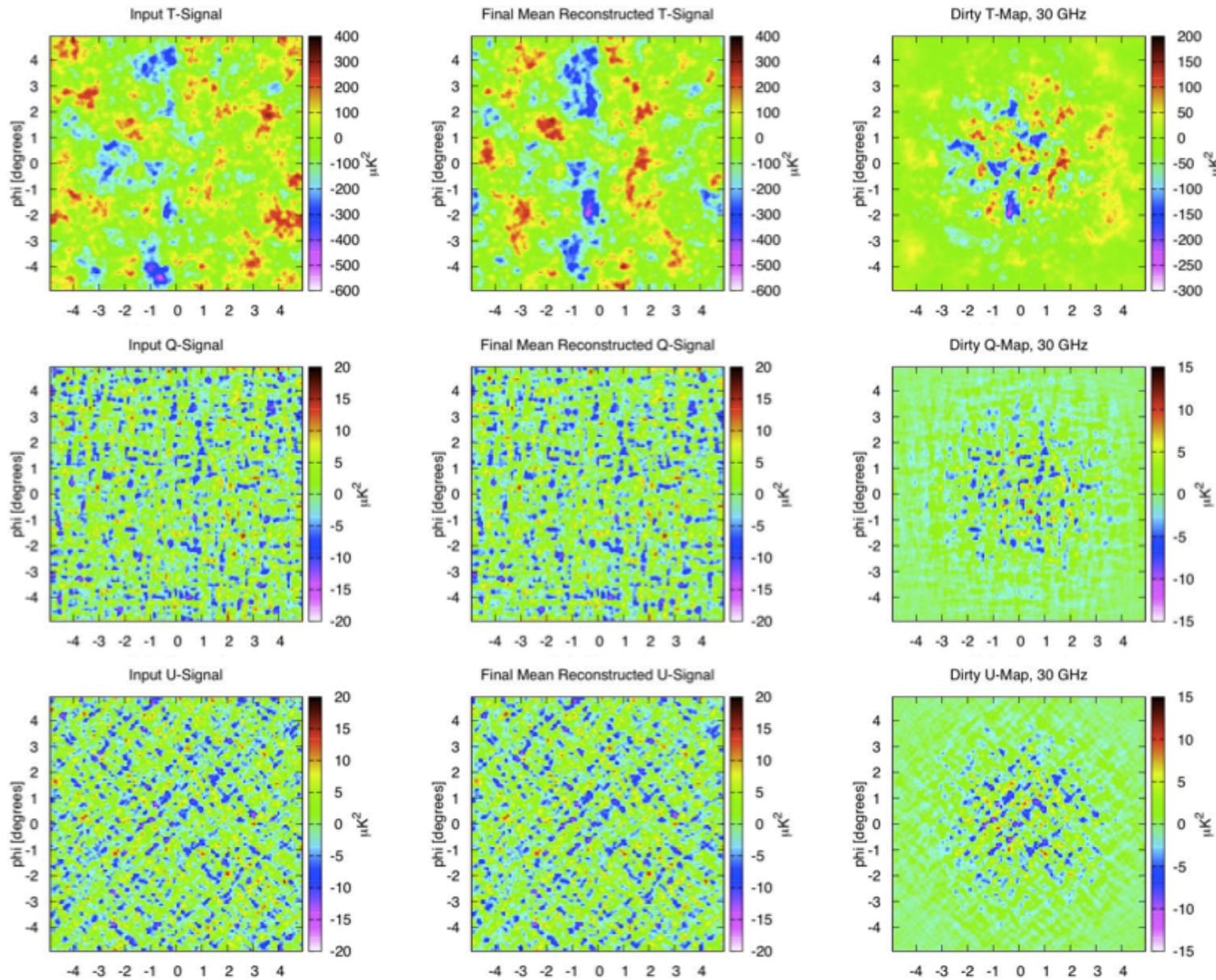
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# Antenna placement for a fiducial experiment



# recovery of polarization maps

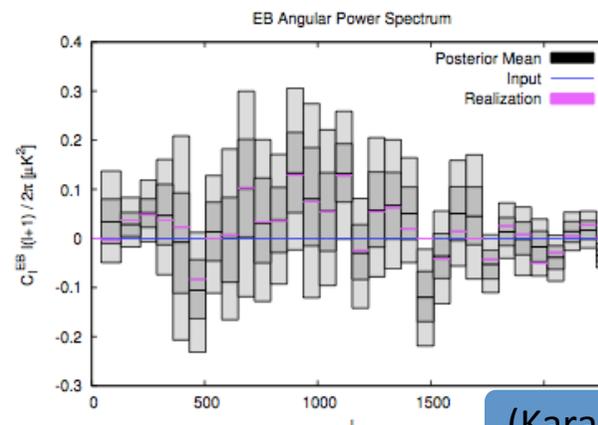
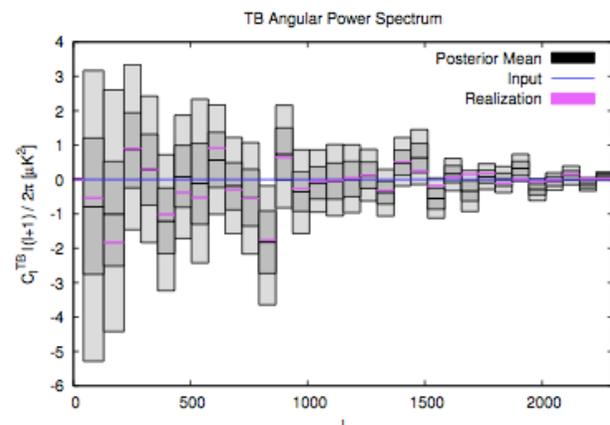
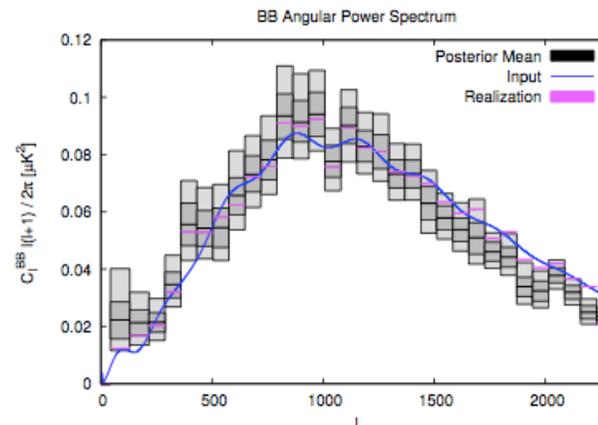
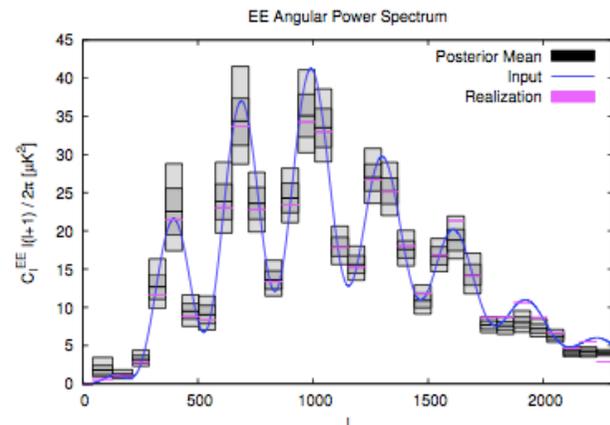
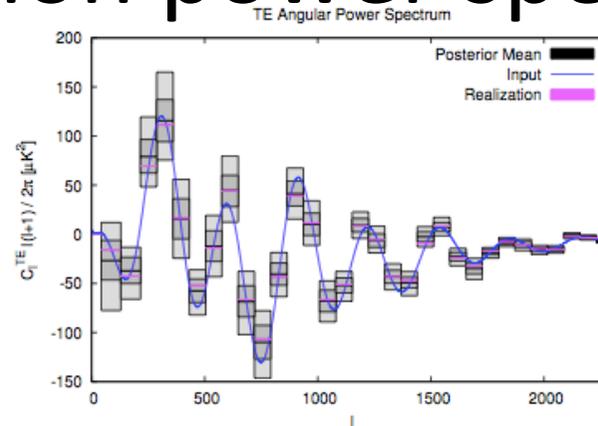
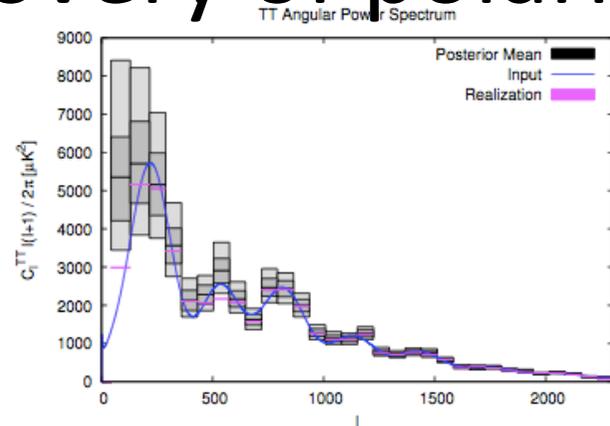


(a) Signal Realization

(b) Final Mean Posterior Map

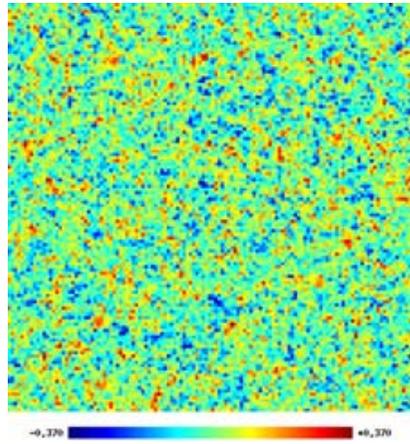
(c) Dirty Map

# recovery of polarization power spectra

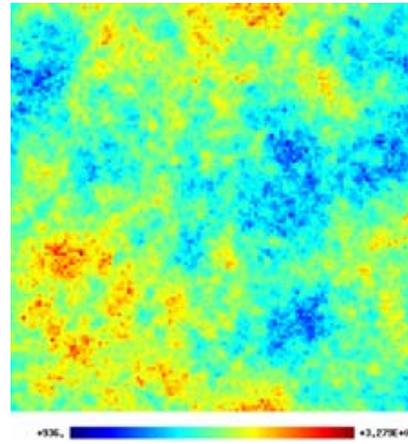


(Karakci et al 2012)

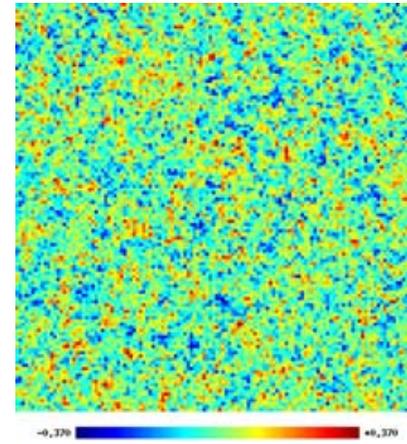
# Bayesian methods for 21cm cosmology: extension to 3-D



(a) Input  $T_{21\text{cm}}(\theta_x, \theta_y)$

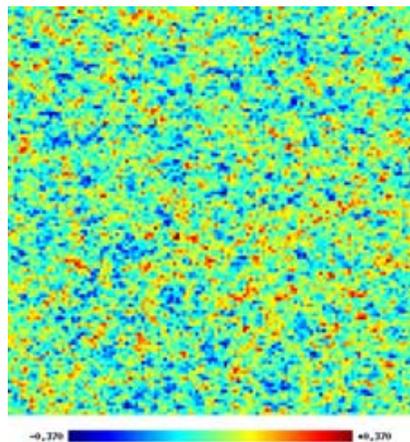


(b)  $T_{\text{sky}}(\theta_x, \theta_y)$

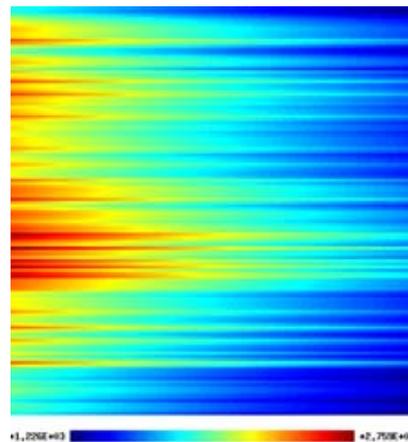


(c) Recovered  $T_{21\text{cm}}$

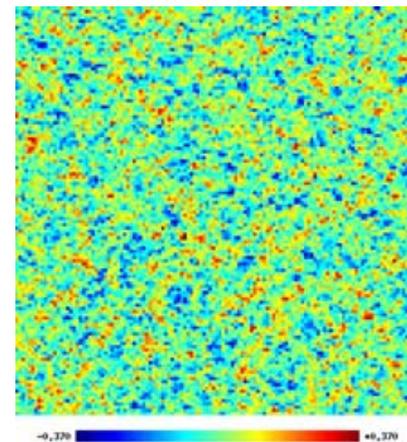
**Slice perpendicular to the plane of the sky**



(d) Input  $T_{21\text{cm}}(\nu, \theta_y)$



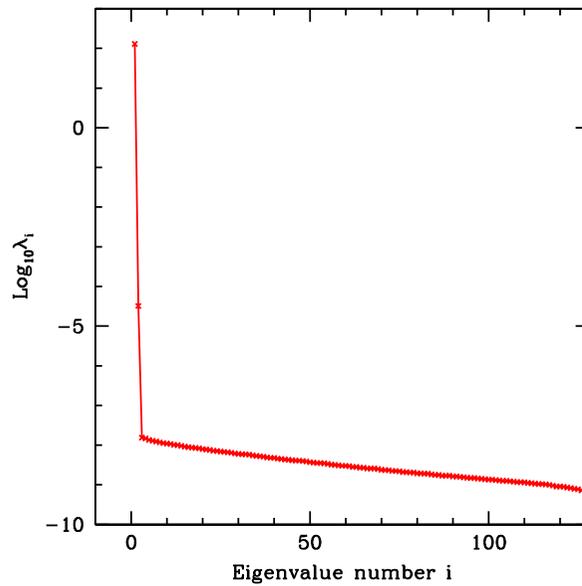
(e)  $T_{\text{sky}}(\nu, \theta_y)$



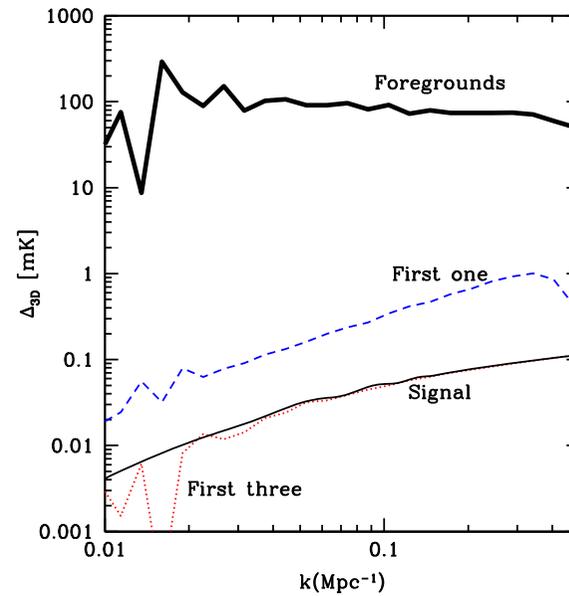
(f) Recovered  $T_{21\text{cm}}$

**Frequency**  $\longrightarrow$

# Foreground projection cleans the power spectrum

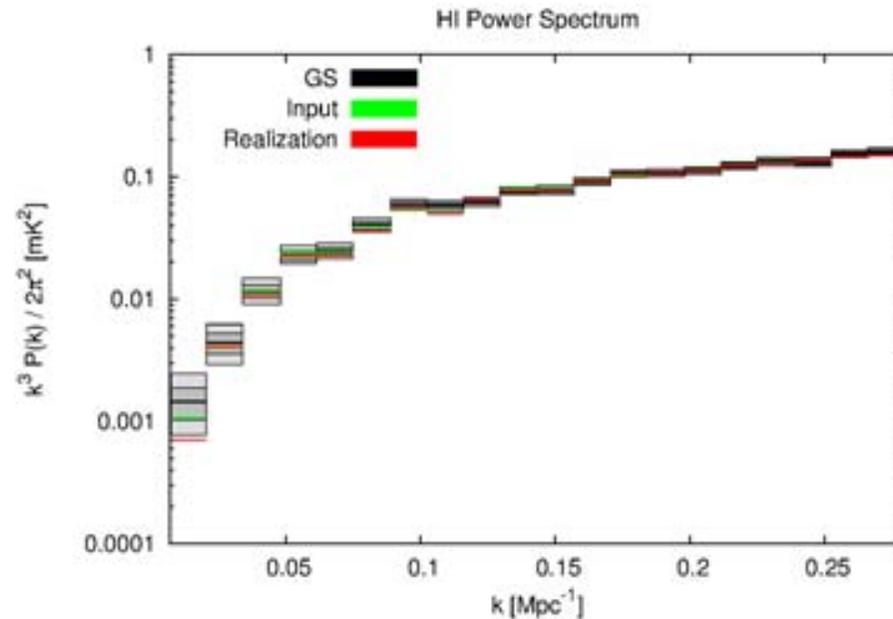


(a) Eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{R}$



(b) Dimensionless power spectra

# Bayesian power spectrum recovery from multi-frequency (3D) interferometric observations



# Conclusions/future work

- Probabilistic imaging is a powerful, broadly applicable, parameter-free technique
- Power spectrum inference is a free bonus
- Now have a 3D implementation for radio data cubes
- The formalism allows inclusion of any foreground prior based on Gaussian random fields (e.g. KL approach)
- Next steps: application of (semi-) blind approaches to CMB analysis in 21cm context?