

PROPAGATION OF UHE HEAVY NUCLEI IN THE GALACTIC MAGNETIC FIELD

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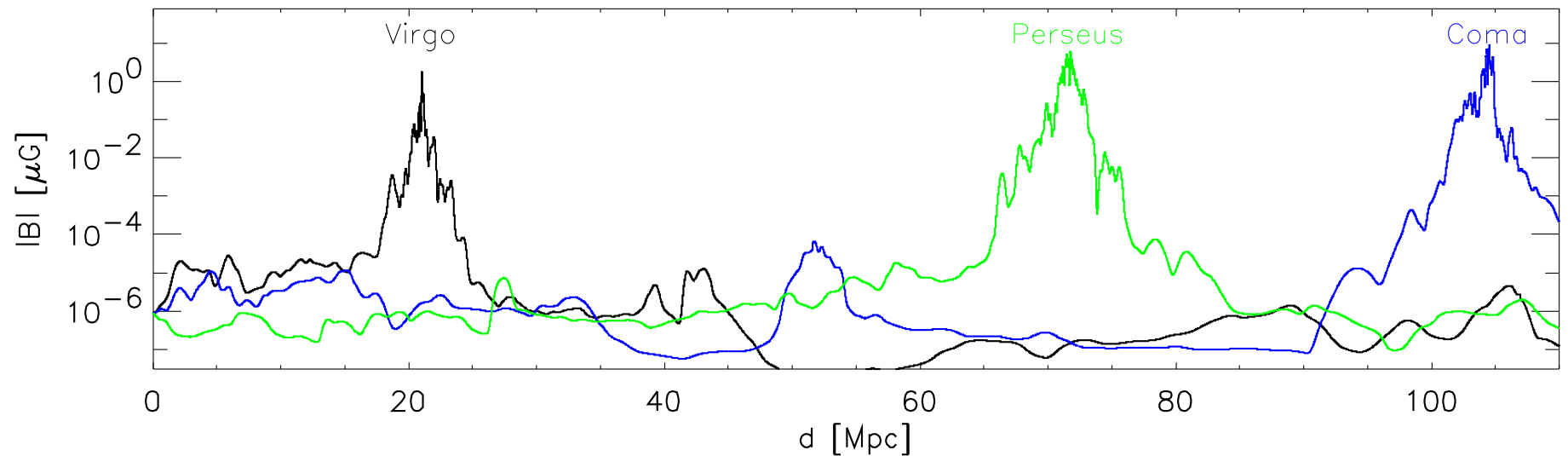
Goal of the study:

- Composition at the highest energies: Auger, Yakutsk vs HiRes.
-> Study the propagation of UHE heavy nuclei (iron), with **$E > 60 \text{ EeV}$** , in the Galactic Magnetic Field.
- Most of the previous works done for protons and light nuclei: search for sources, etc.

I - Models of the Galactic Magnetic Field

Extragalactic magnetic field neglected here

K. Dolag *et al.* vs G. Sigl *et al.* ([astro-ph/0401084](#))

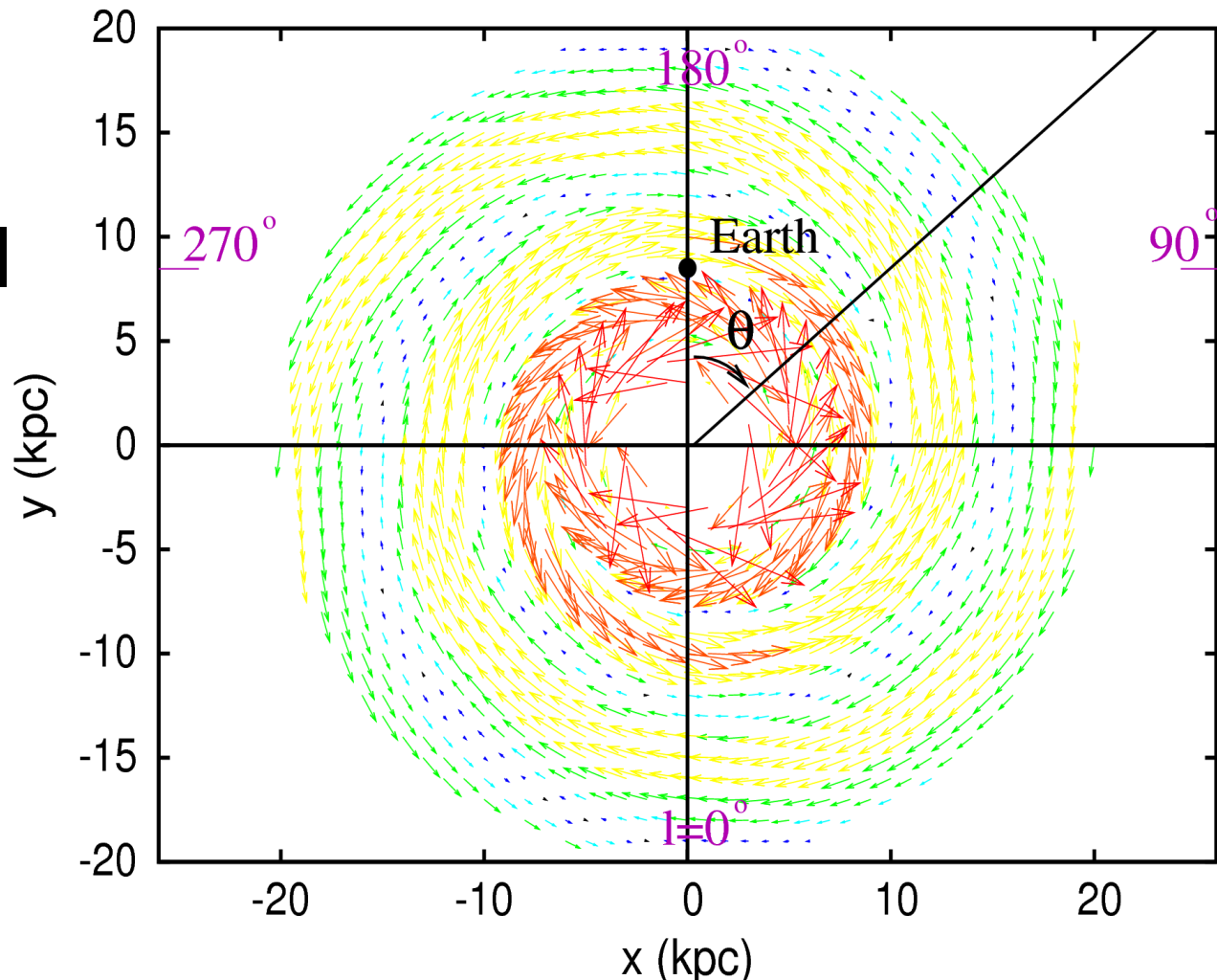


K. Dolag *et al.*, [astro-ph/0410419](#)

The regular Galactic MF: disk + toroidal component (+ central dipole)

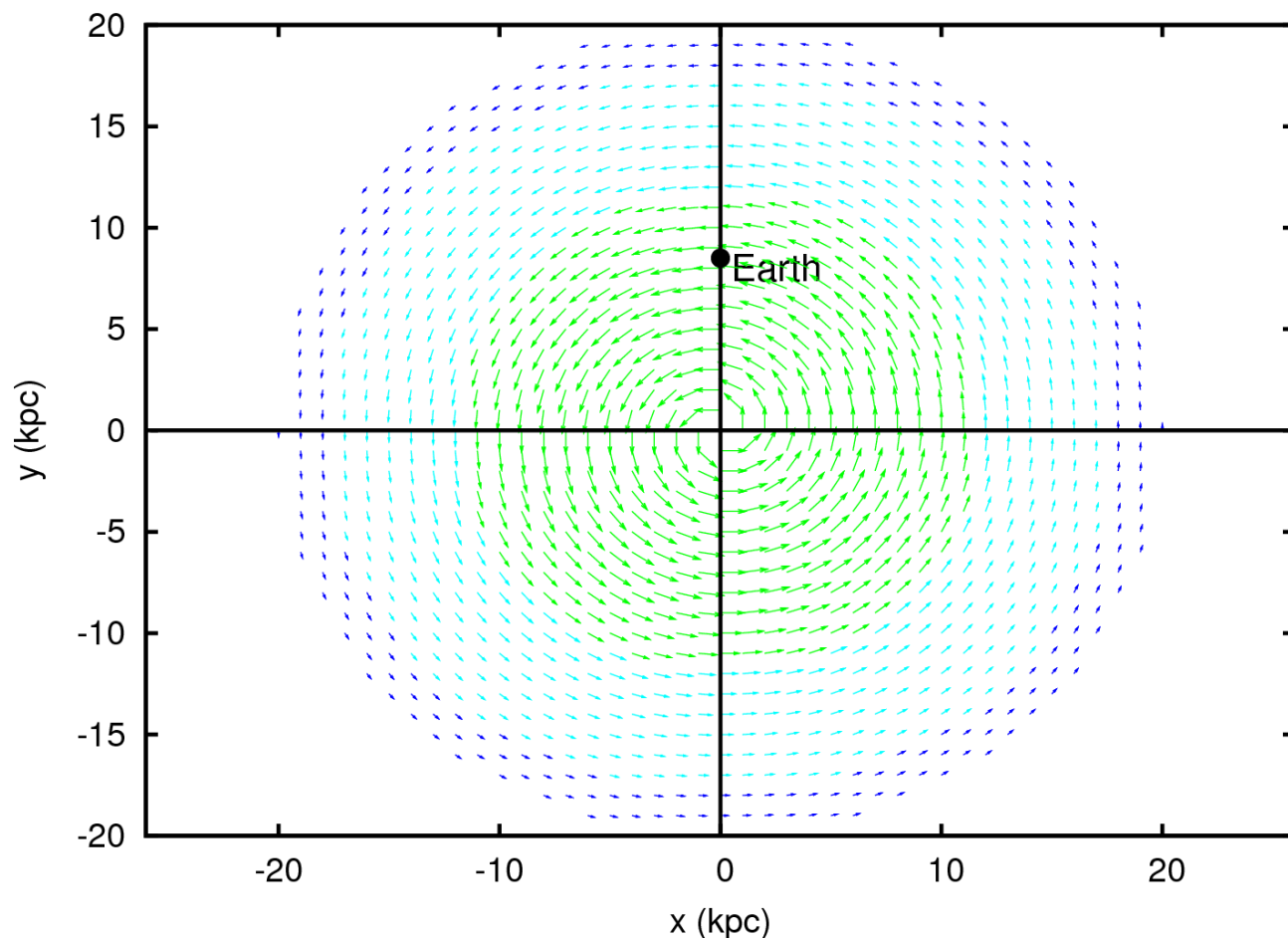
PS
disk model

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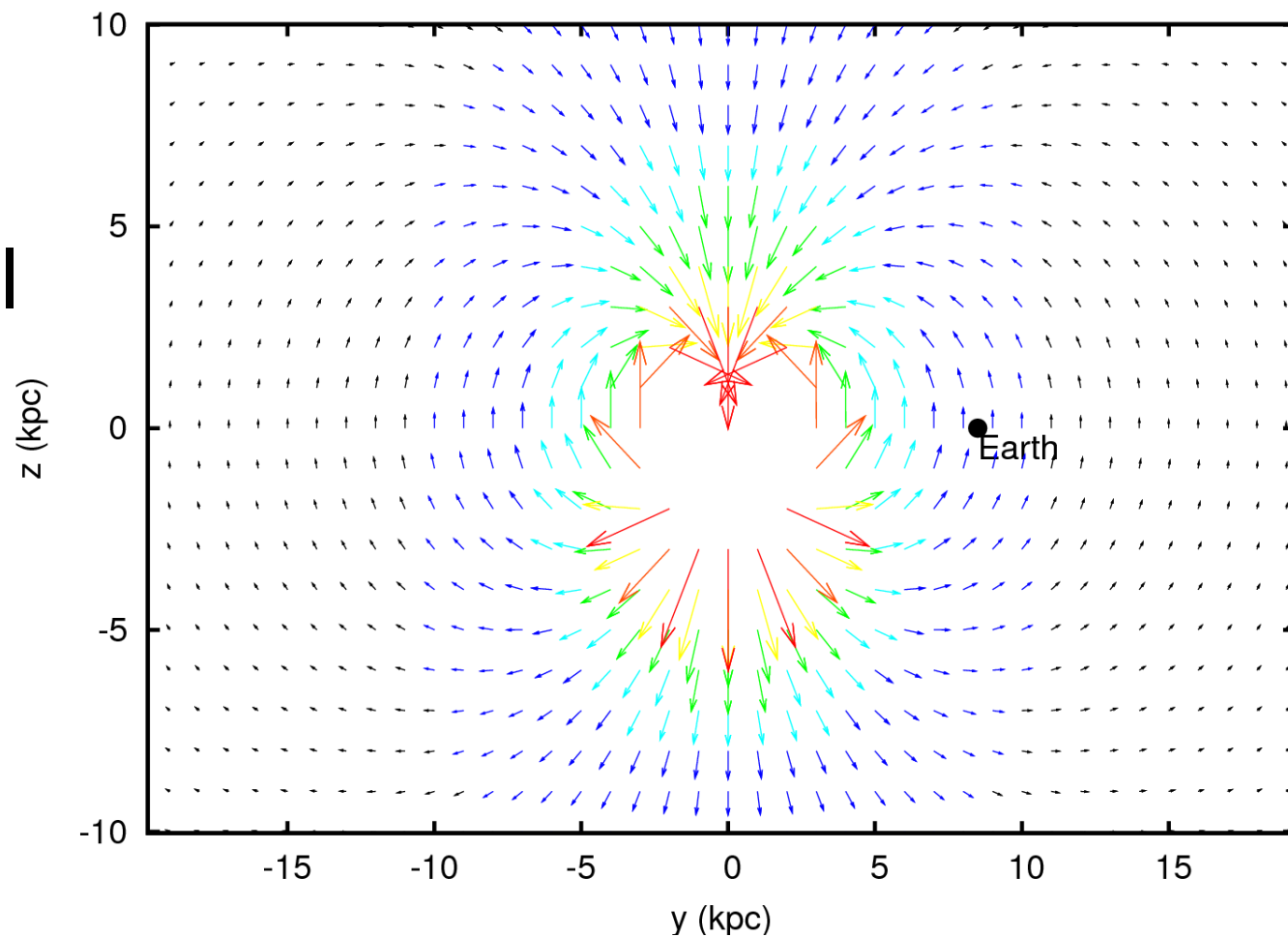
The regular Galactic MF:

PS
halo model
(here,
 $z=1.5\text{kpc}$)



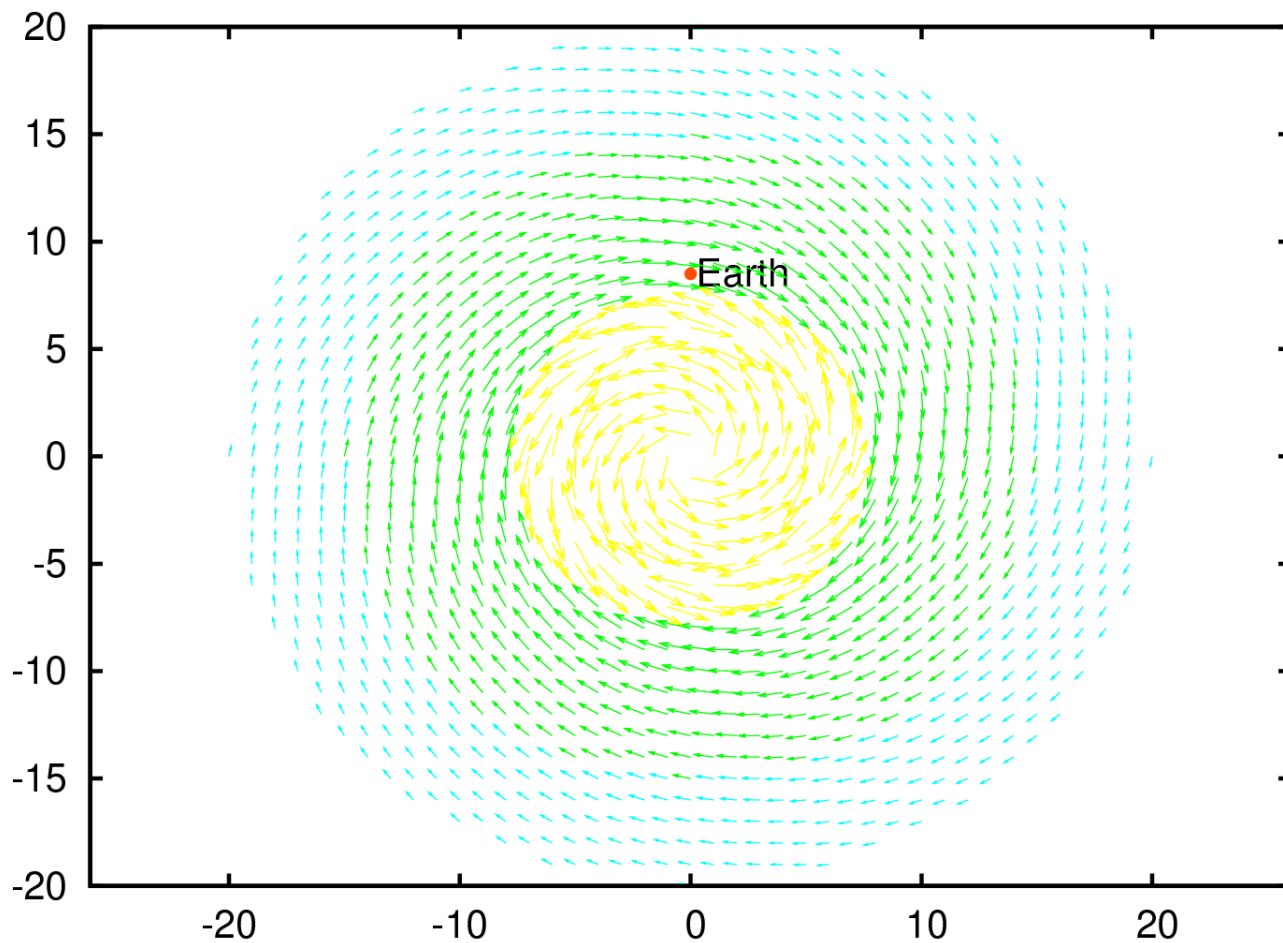
The regular Galactic MF:

PS
dipole model



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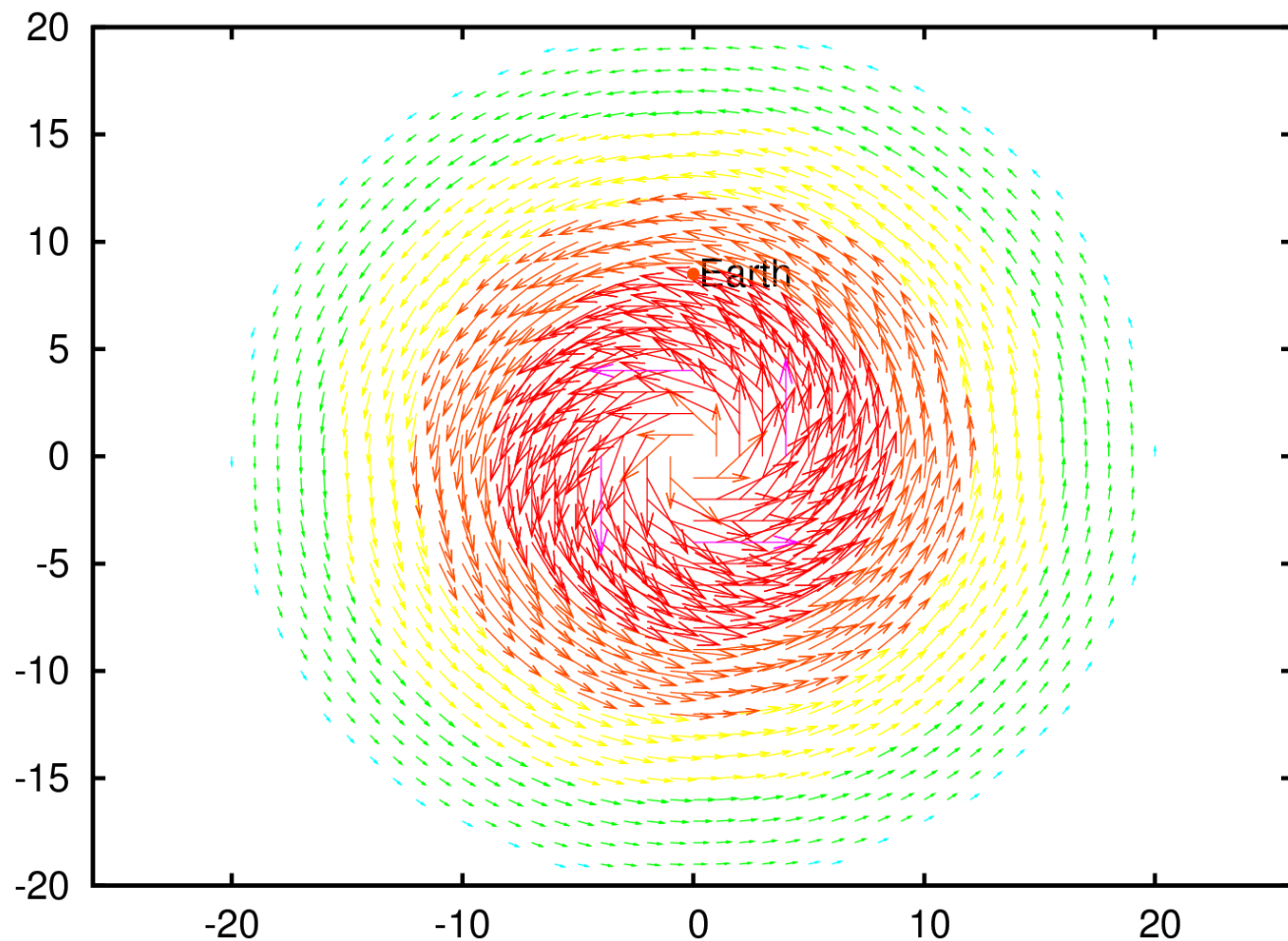
Sun08
disk model



Sun *et al.* [astro-ph/0711.1572](https://arxiv.org/abs/astro-ph/0711.1572)

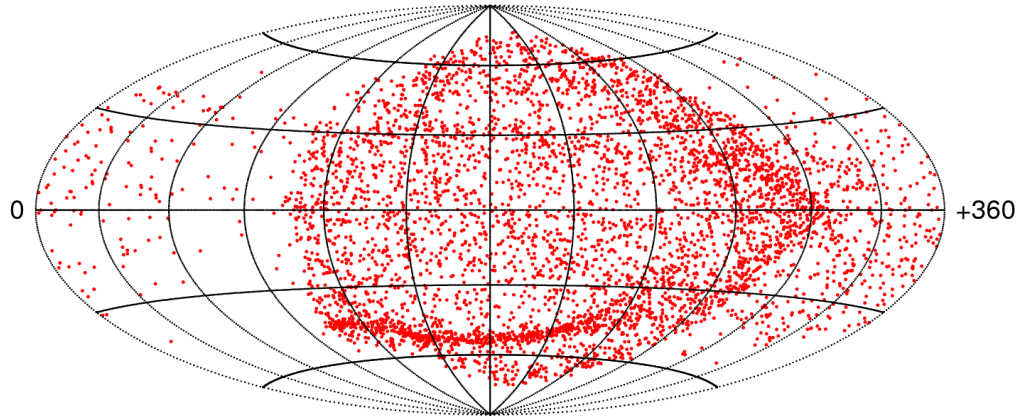
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The turbulent Galactic MF:

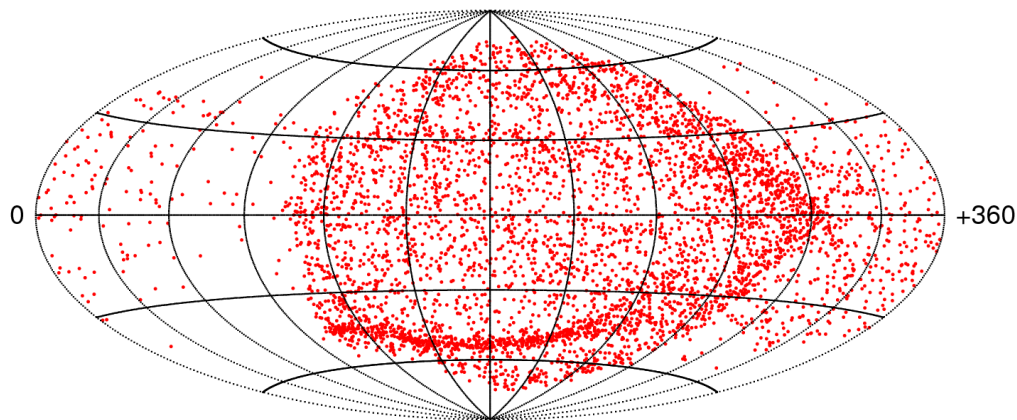
Regular GMF



60 EeV iron in the PS model. $\Delta E/E=6\%$.

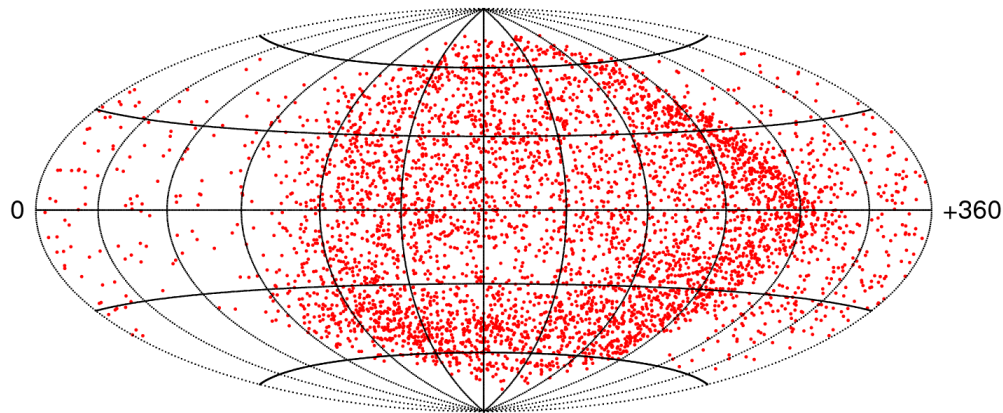
The turbulent Galactic MF:

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**Regular +
turbulent GMF**

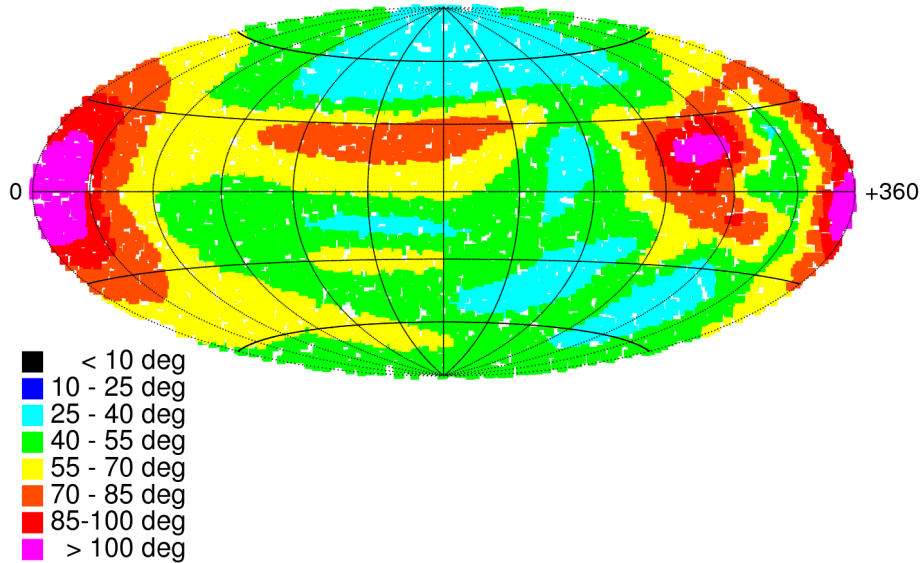


Turbulent field: B_{rms} (Earth) = $4\mu\text{G}$, $L_c = 50\text{pc}$

II – Backtracing heavy nuclei in the GMF

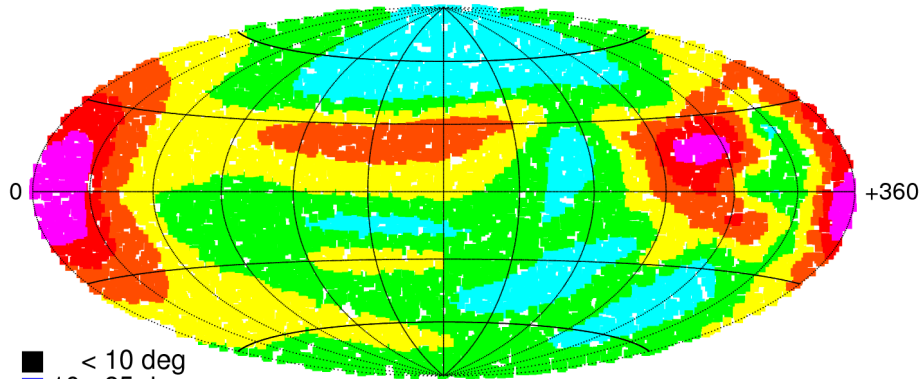
Deflection angles on the celestial sphere:

PS model - 60 EeV iron

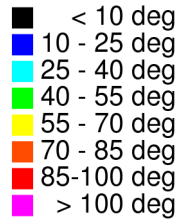
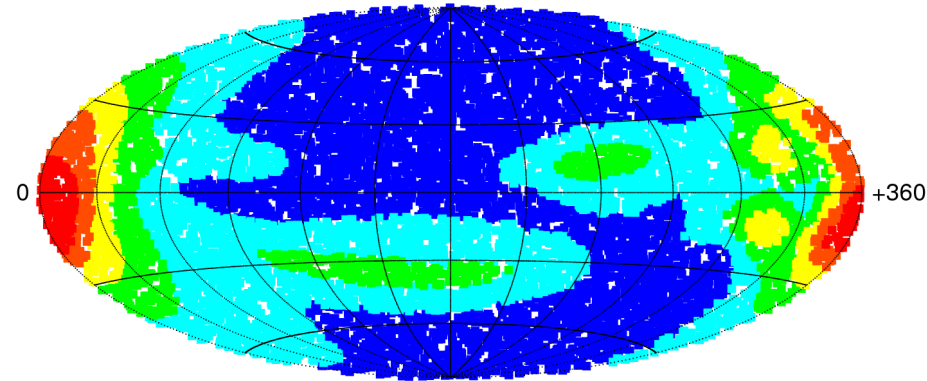


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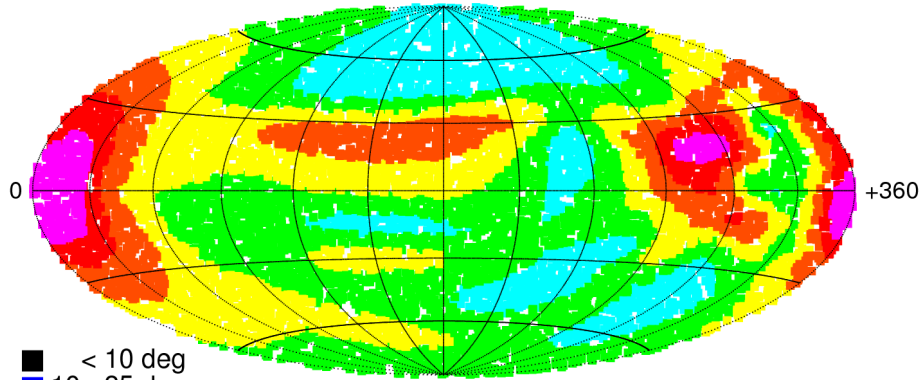


140 EeV

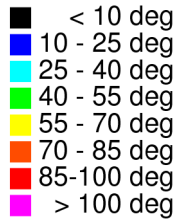
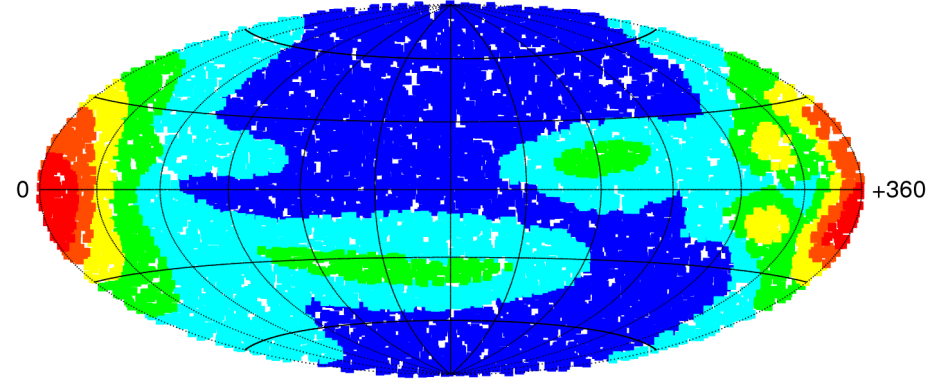


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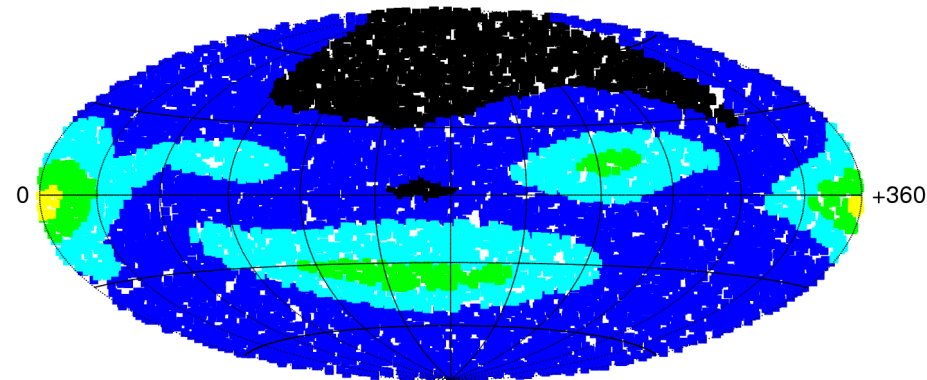
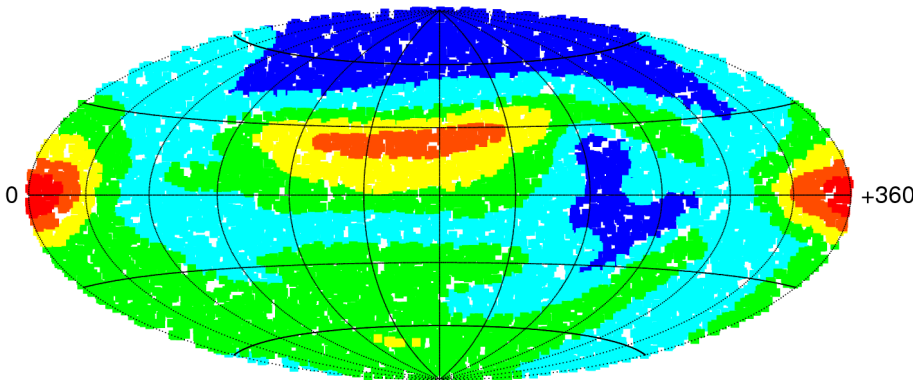
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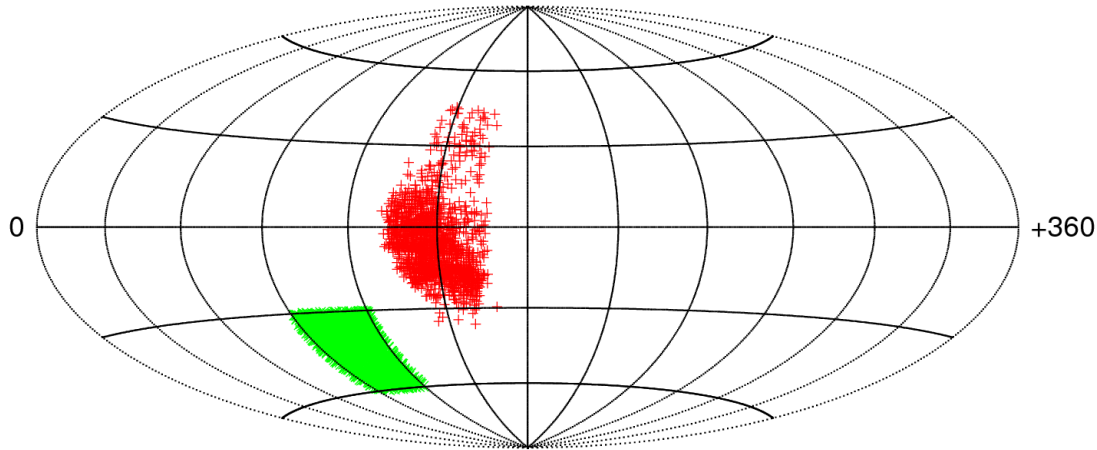
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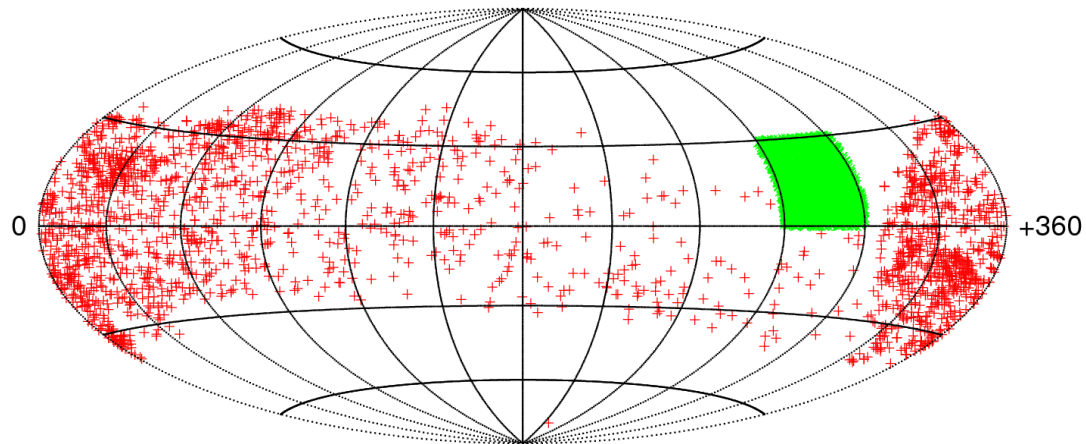
10 times weaker dipole field :



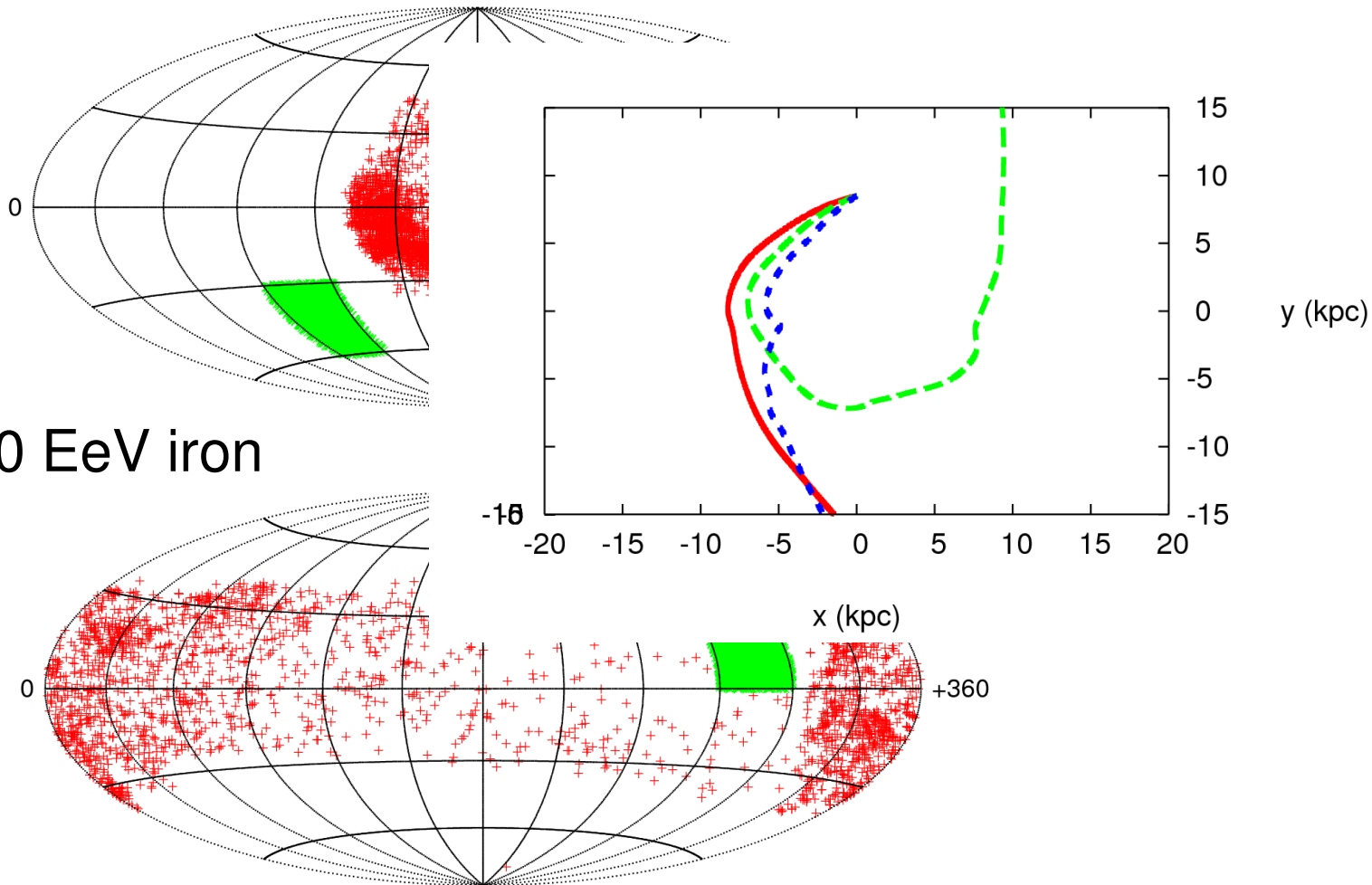
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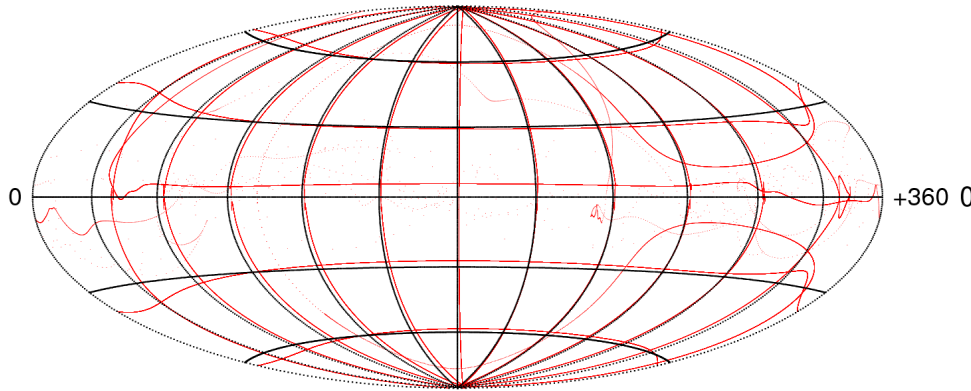
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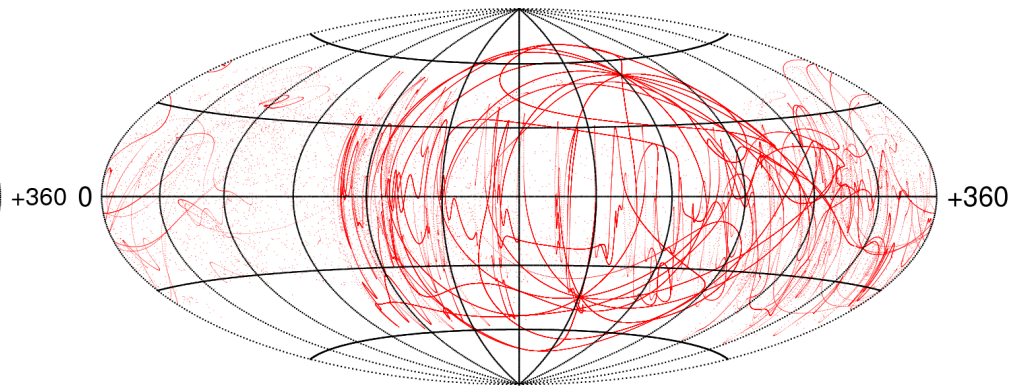
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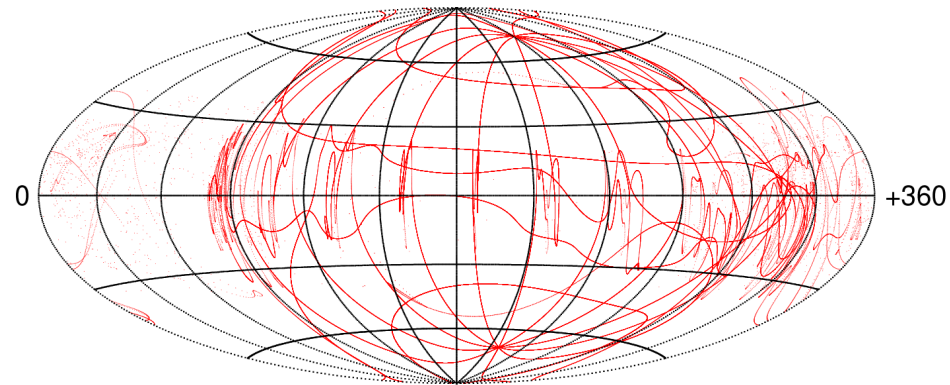
Grids backtraced in the GMF (PS model):



60 EeV protons



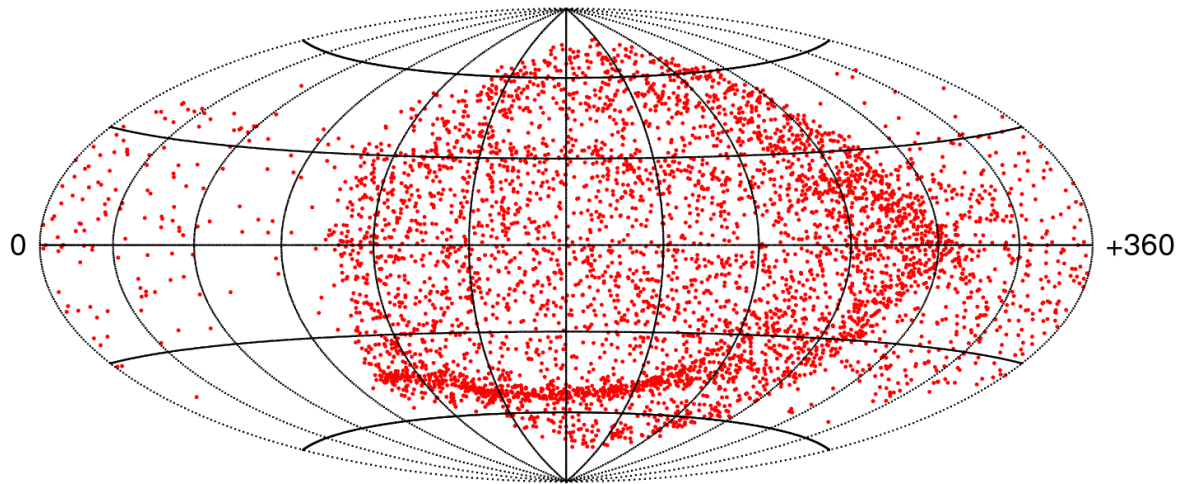
60 EeV iron nuclei



140 EeV iron nuclei

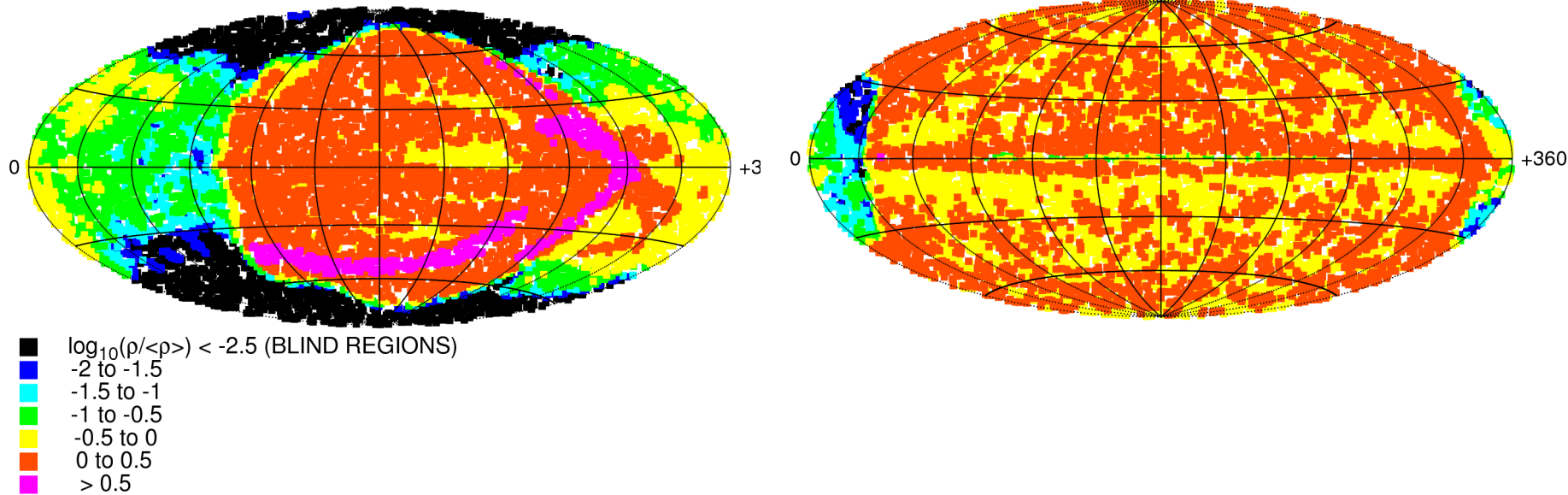
III – Magnetic lensing: (de)magnification of fluxes

Densities of outgoing backtraced nuclei and amplification factor:



PS model - 60 EeV iron

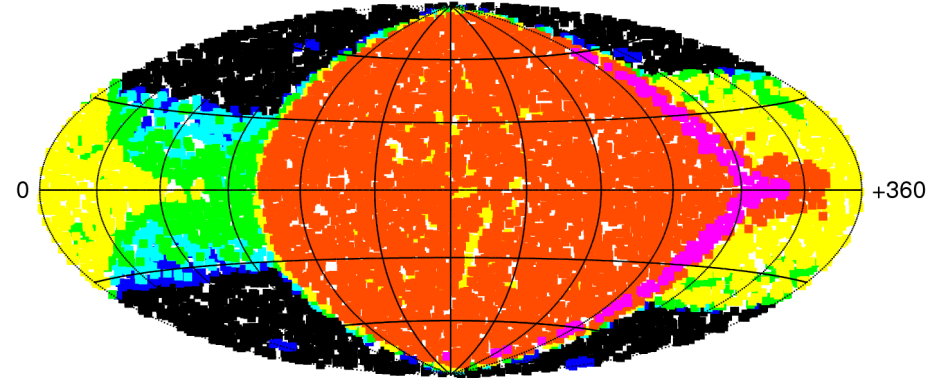
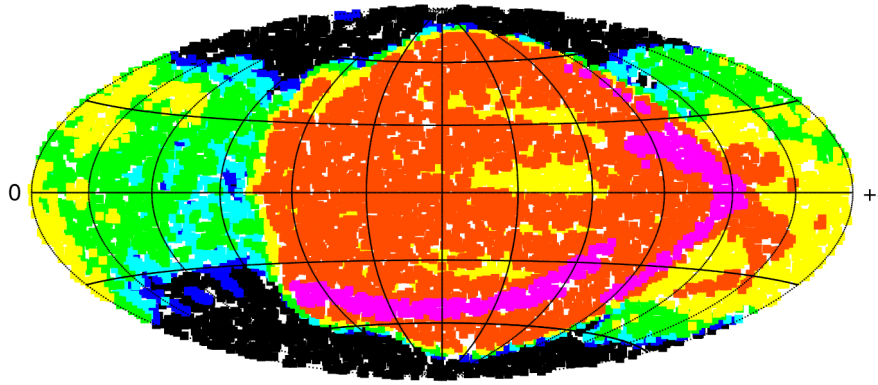
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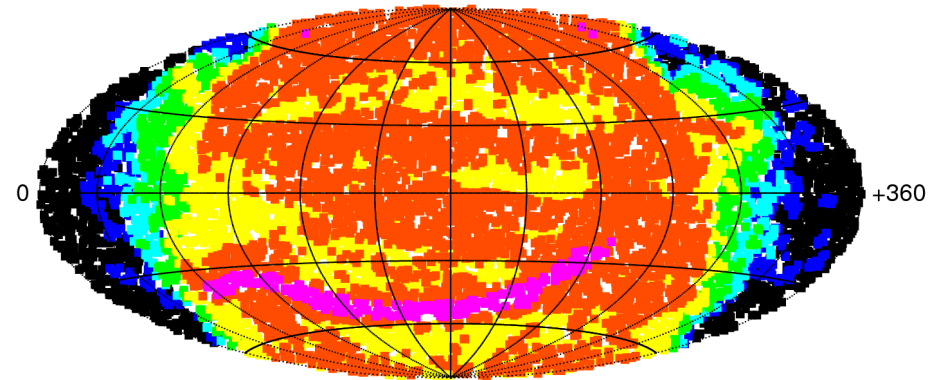
PS model - 60 EeV iron nuclei

60 EeV protons

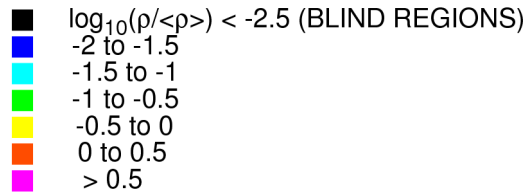
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Dipole only

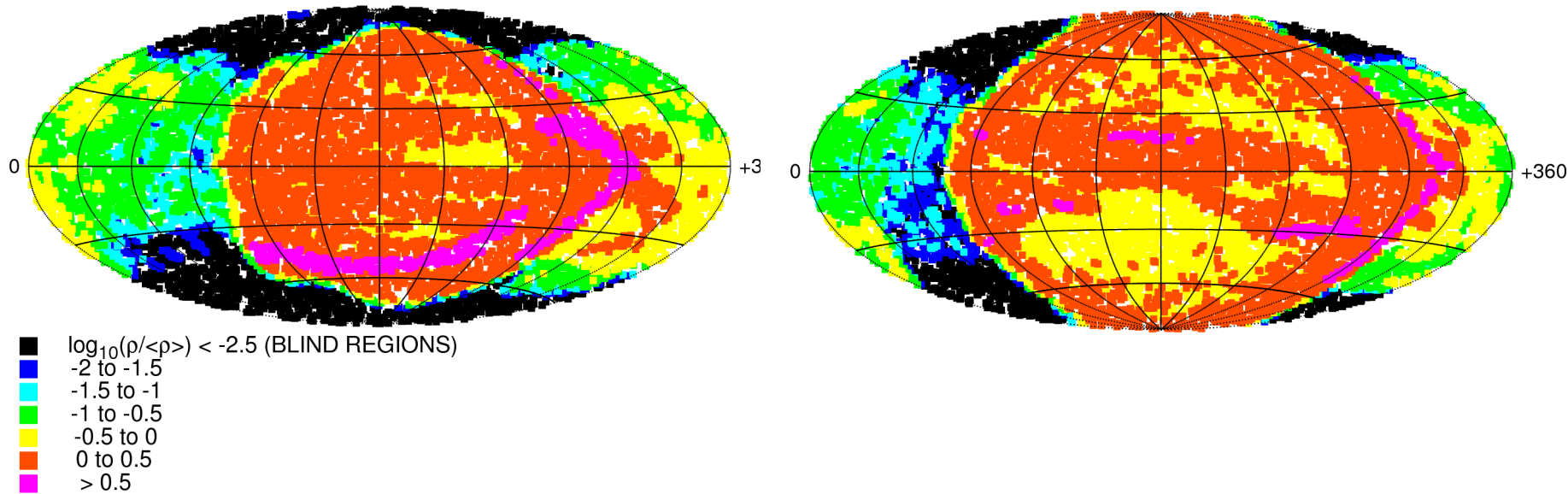


No dipole



PS model - 60 EeV iron nuclei

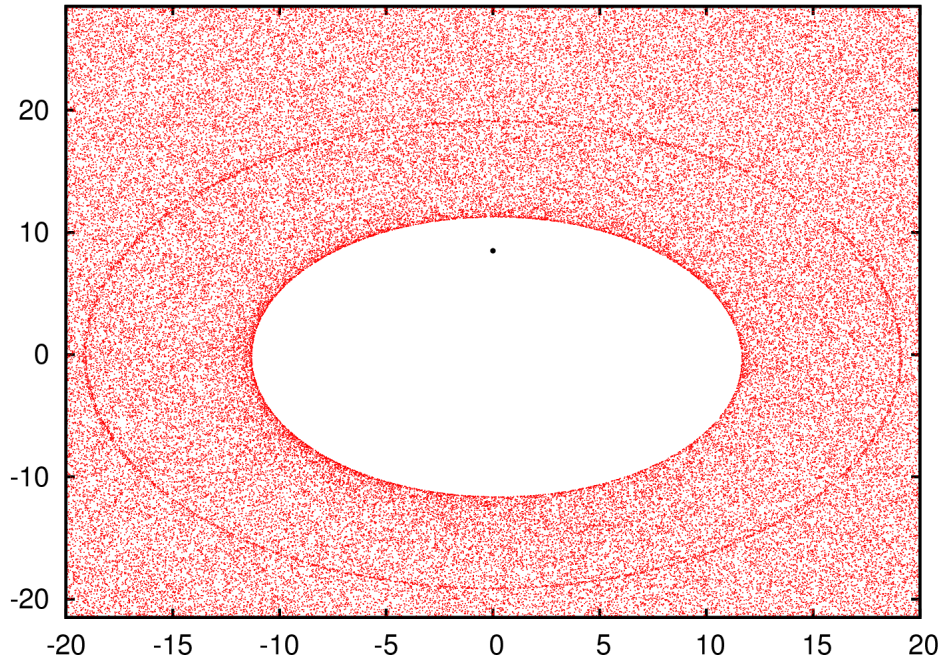
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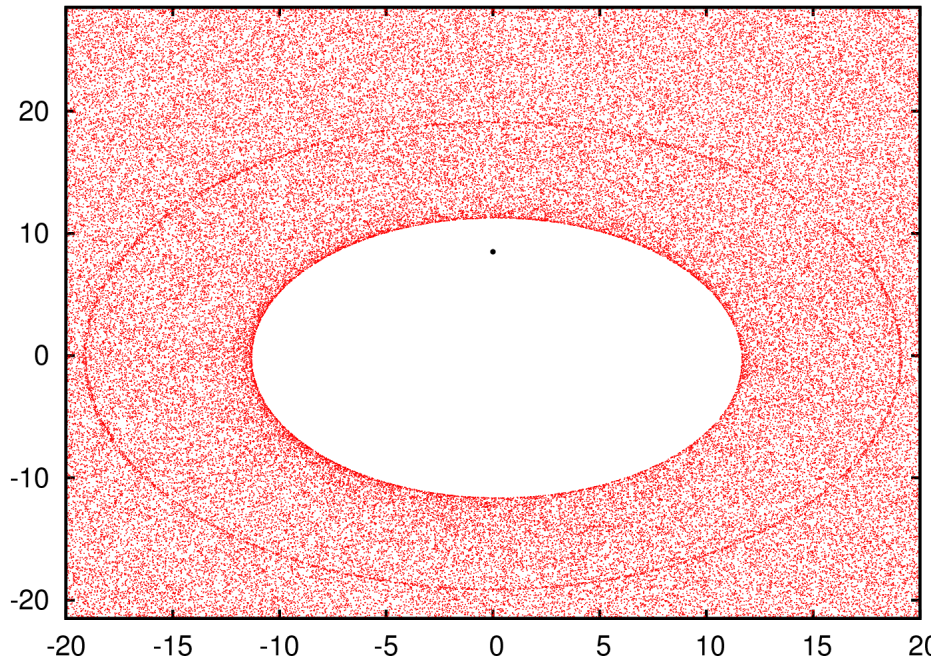
140 EeV

UHE iron nuclei, from a point source at the Galactic North pole, crossing the Galactic plane:

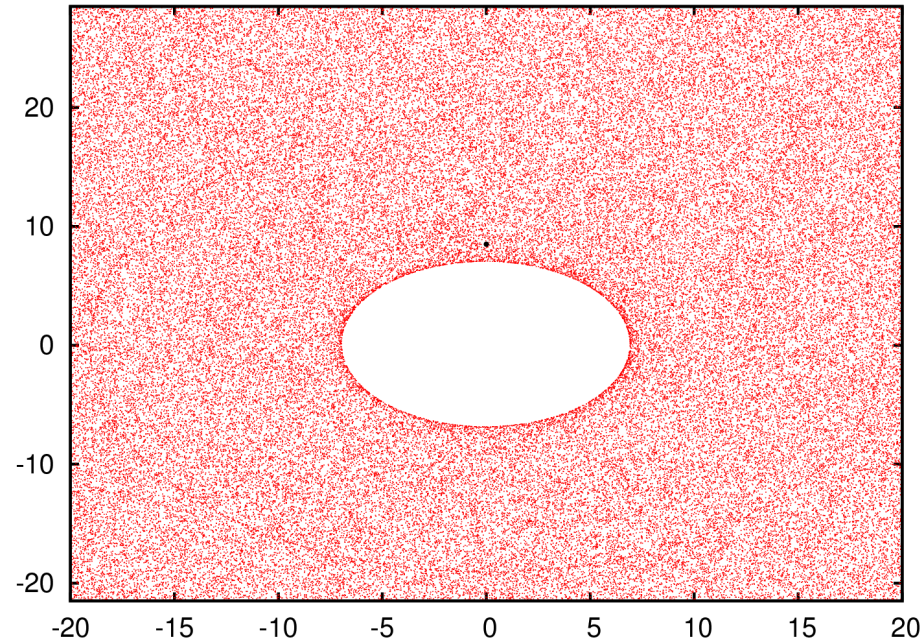


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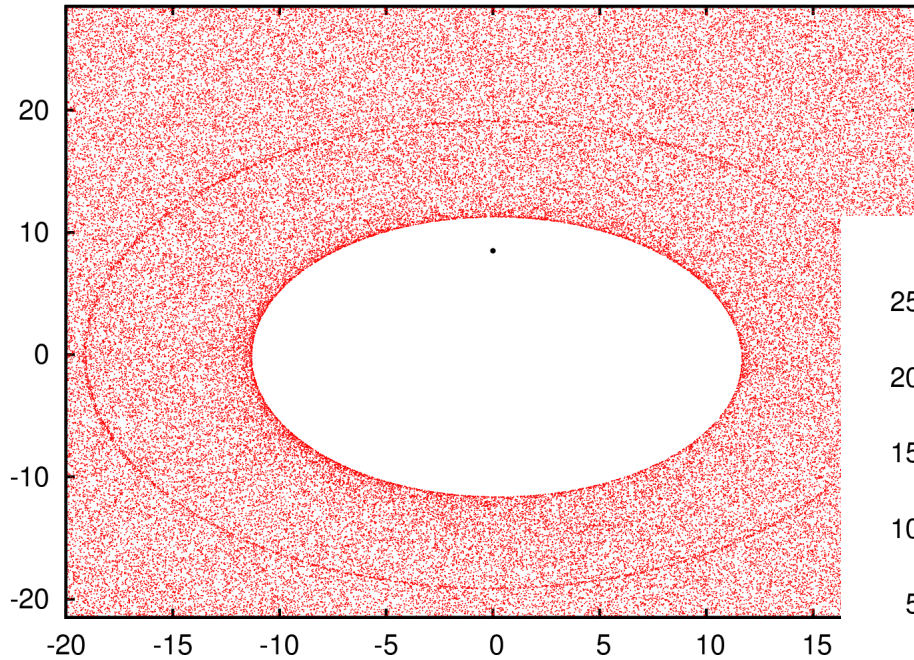


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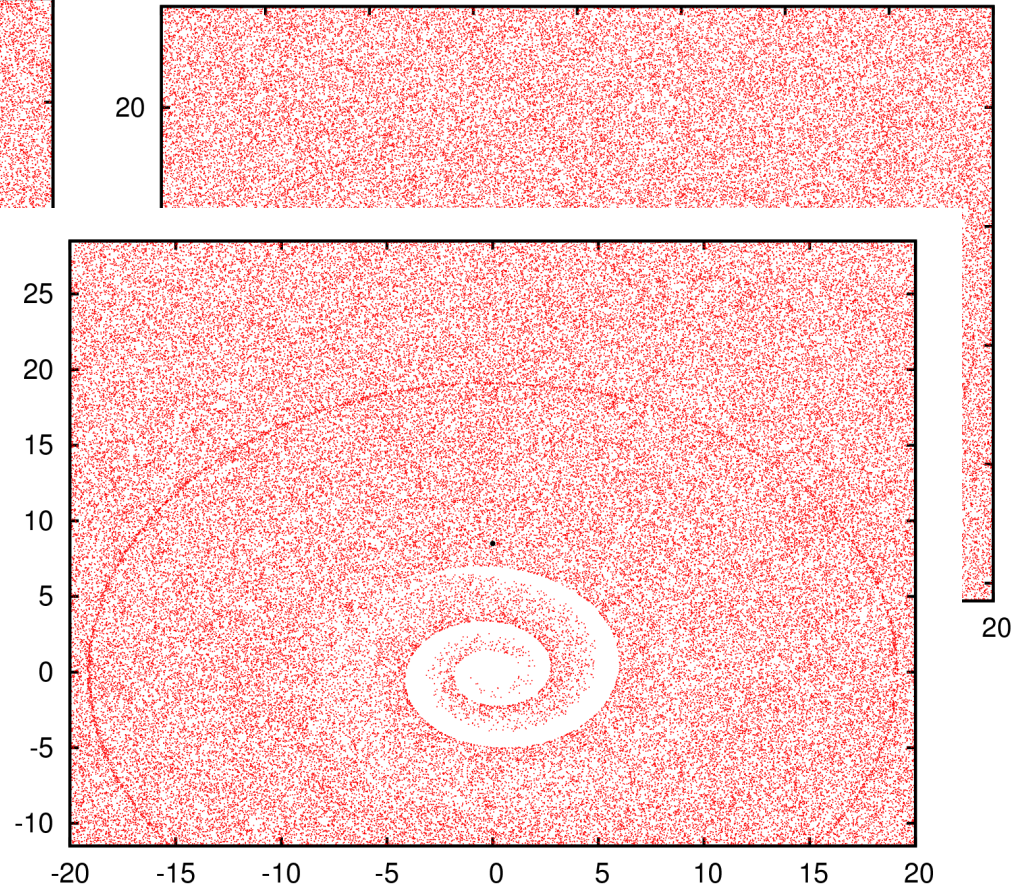


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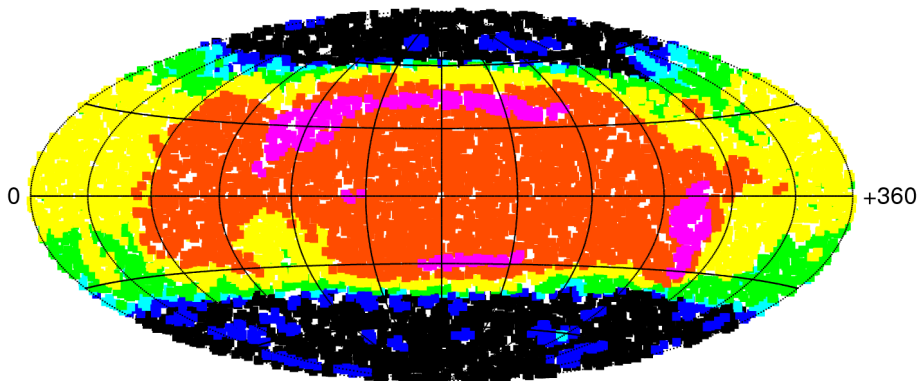


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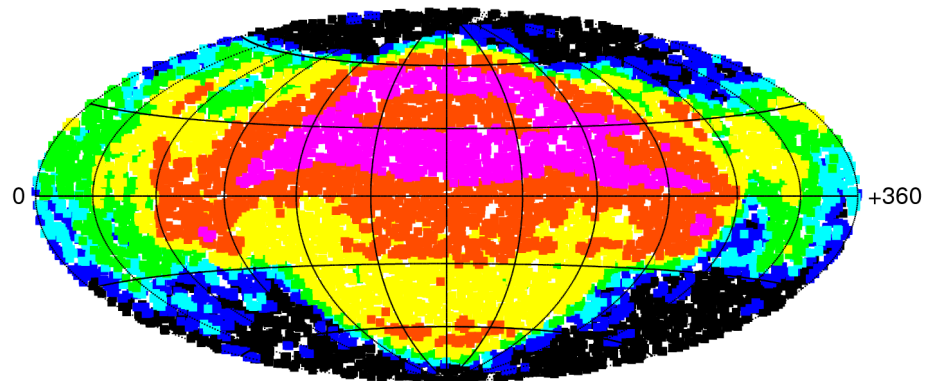


60 EeV – no dipole

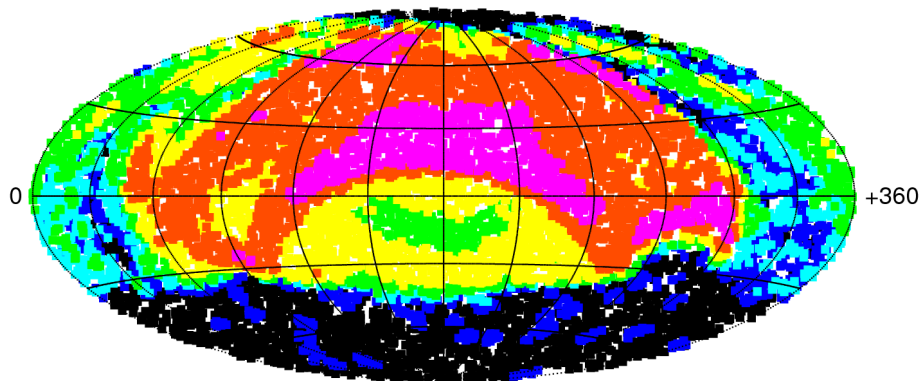
Model dependence :



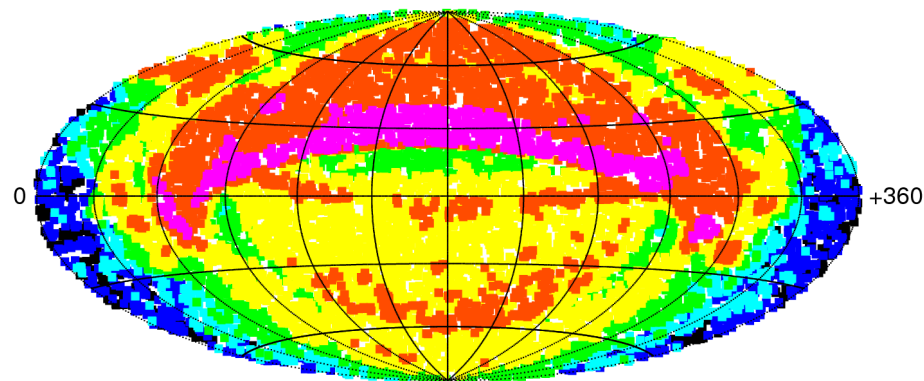
Sun08 - 60 EeV iron nuclei



Sun08 - 140 EeV

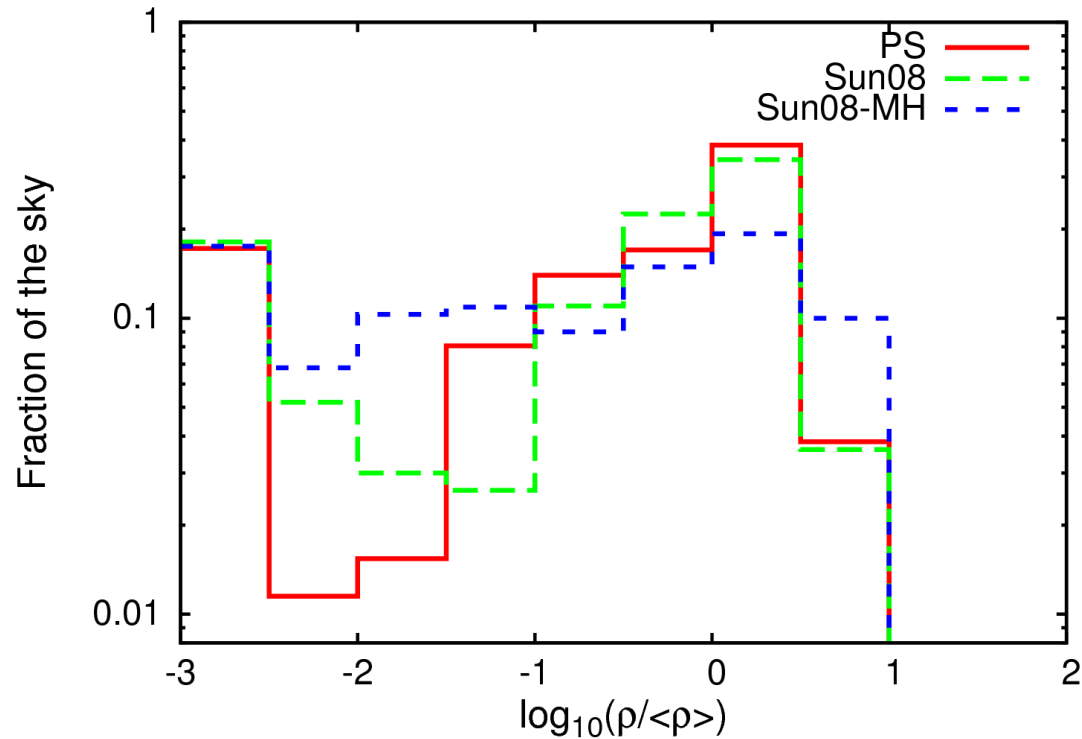


Sun08-MH - 60 EeV

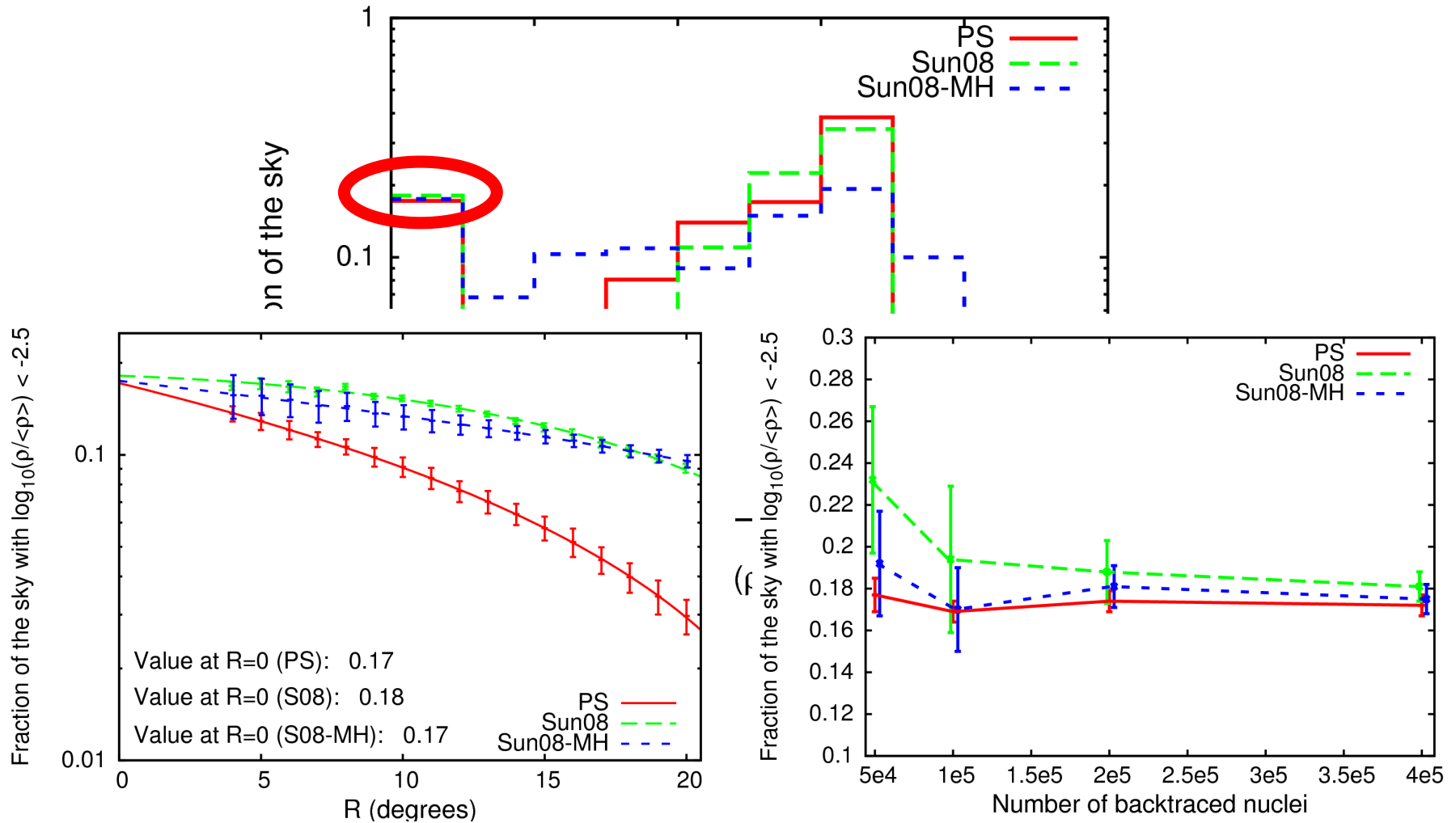


Sun08-MH - 140 EeV

Histogram of fractions of the sky outside the Galaxy with given (de)magnification (60EeV iron):

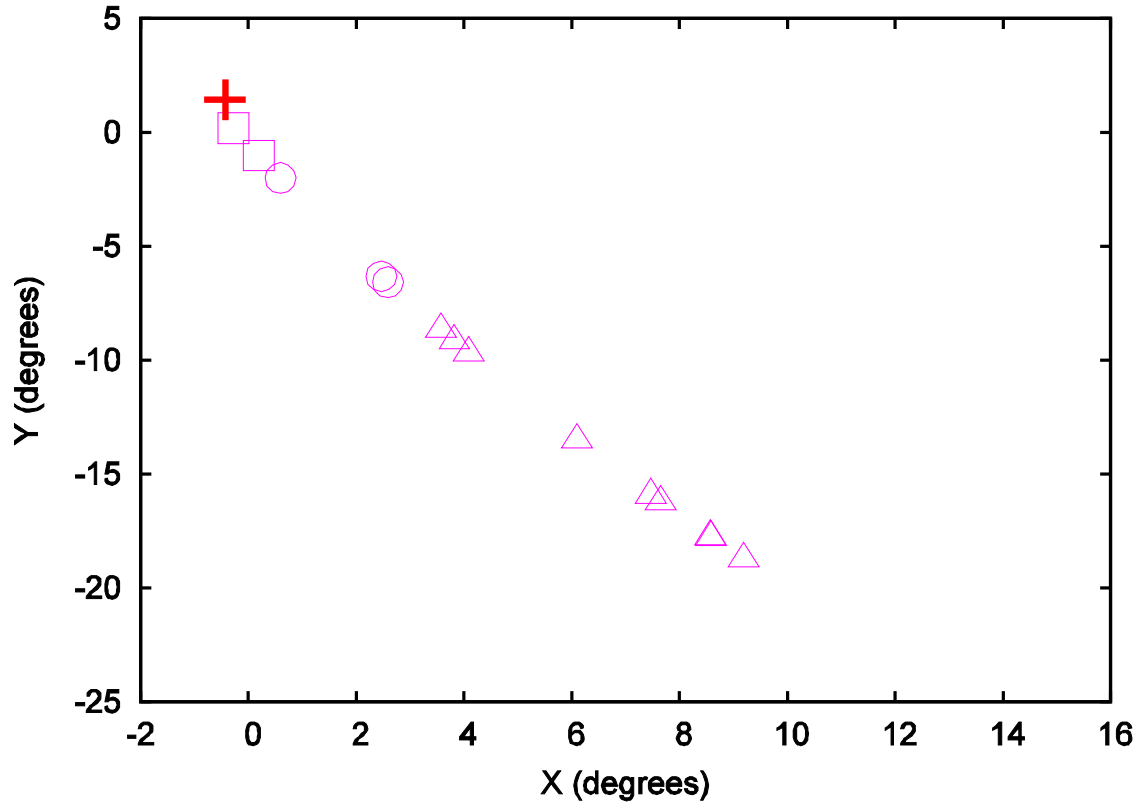


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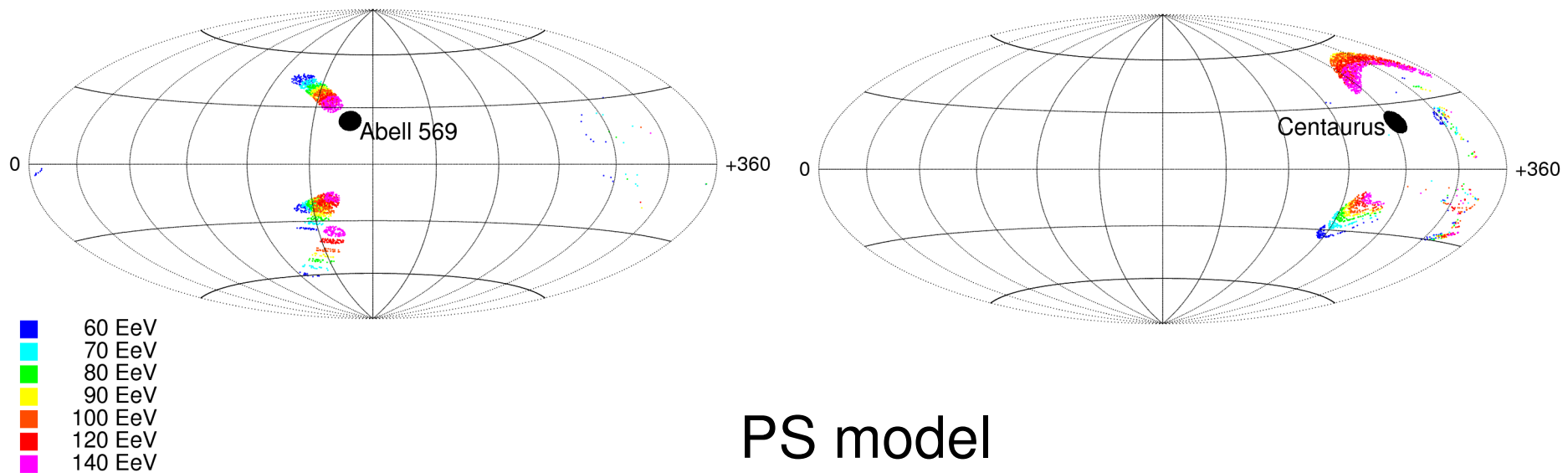
IV – Search for astrophysical sources of UHE heavy nuclei

Search for UHE proton (or light nuclei) sources :

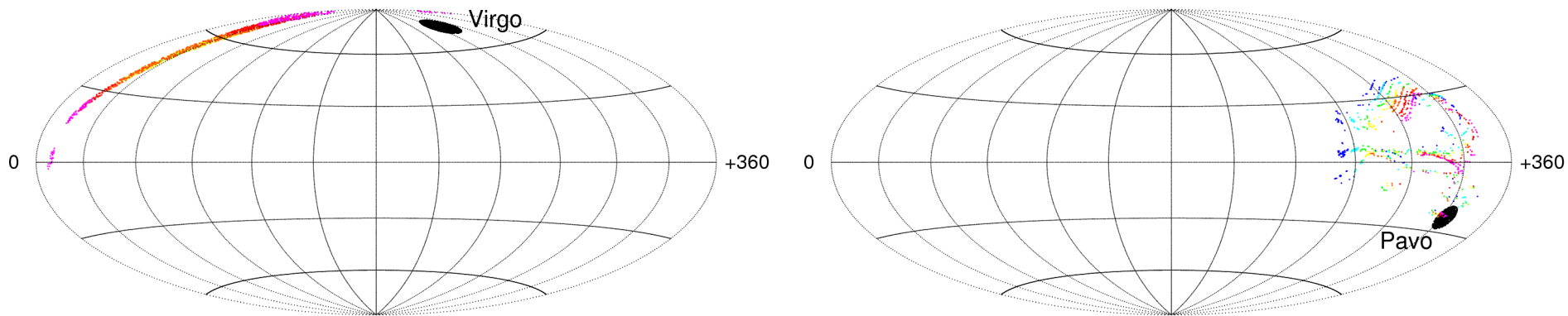


For example: G.G., X.Derkx, D.V.Semikoz, [astro-ph/0907.1035](https://arxiv.org/abs/0907.1035)

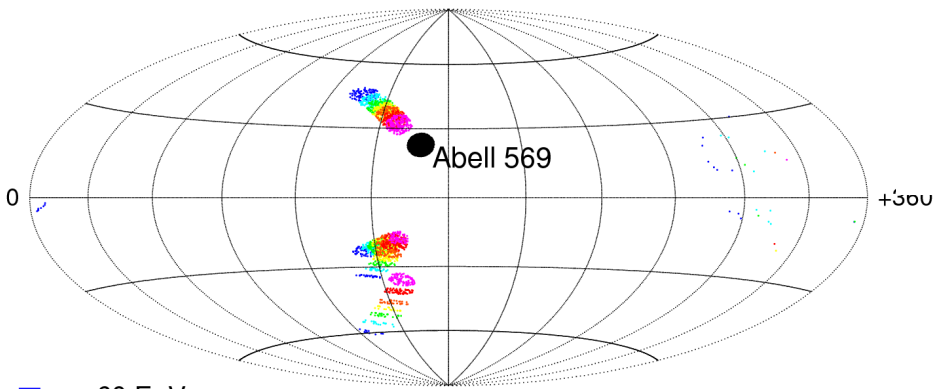
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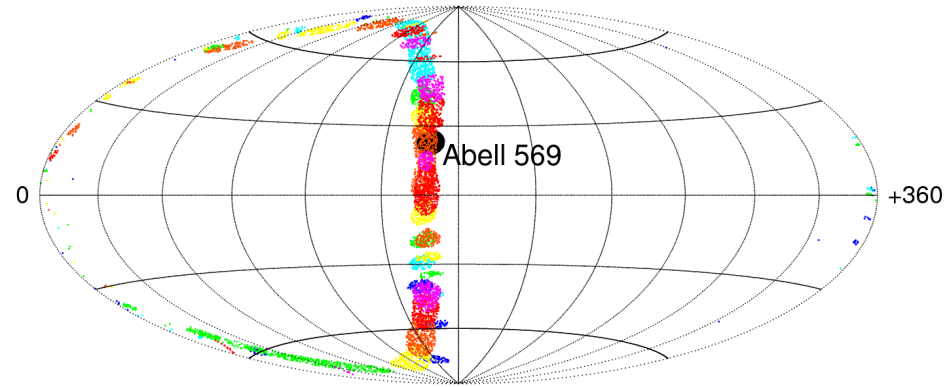
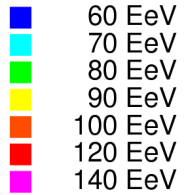
PS model



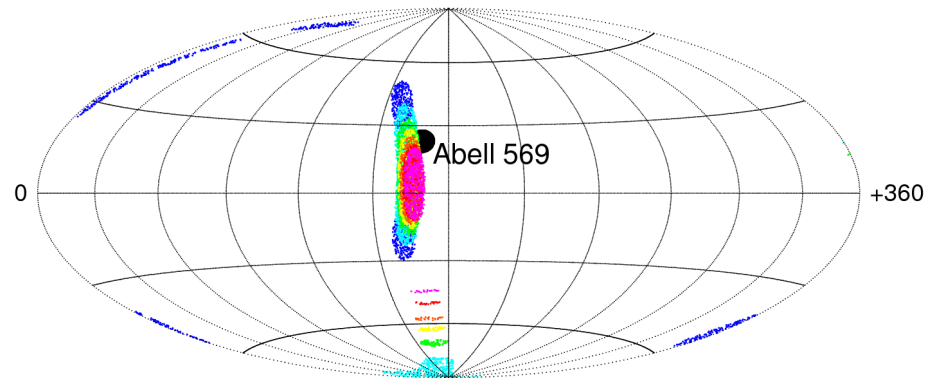
Model dependence :



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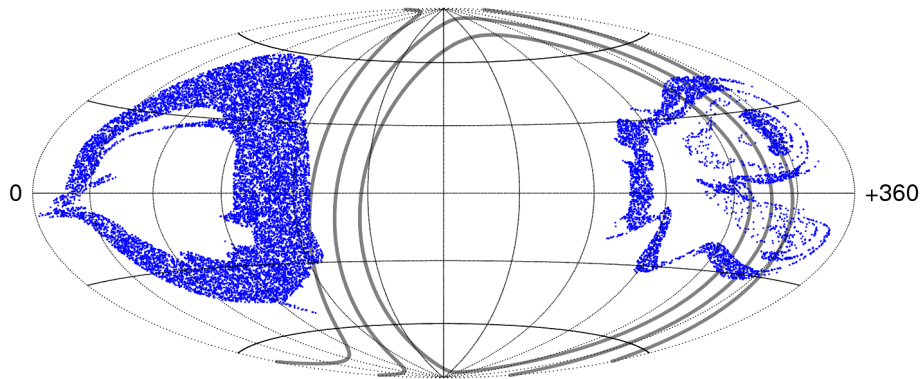


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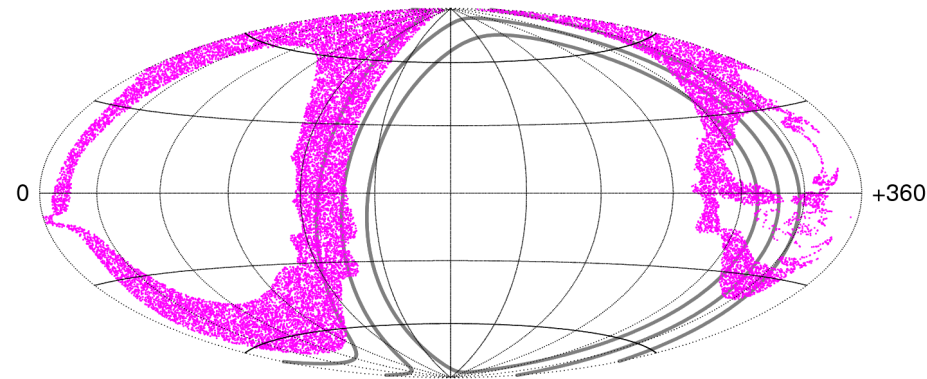
Sun08-MH

Image of the supergalactic plane ($|sgb| < 10^\circ$) :



60 EeV iron

PS model



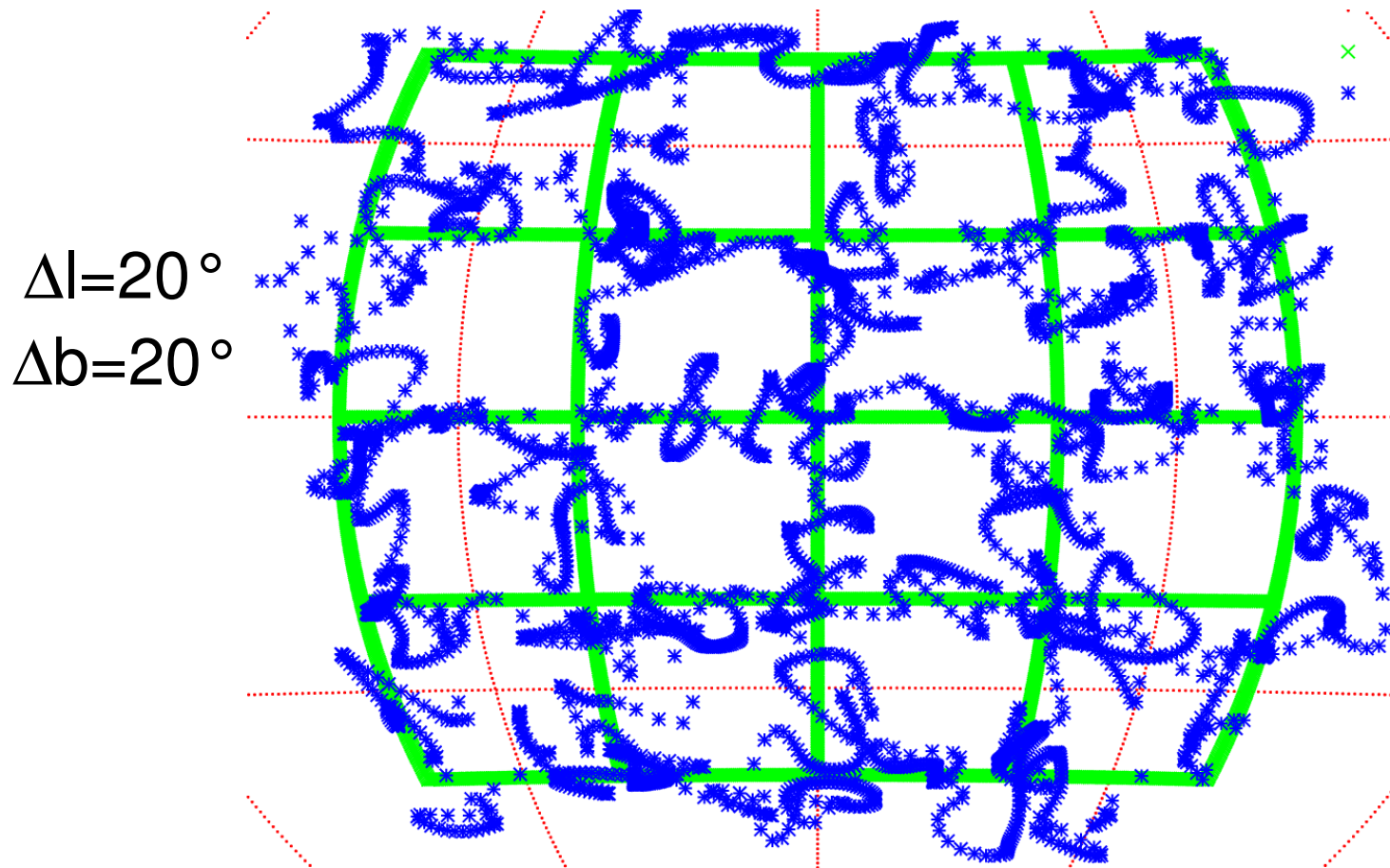
140 EeV iron

Conclusion - perspectives :

- We backtraced iron nuclei with $E > 60 \text{ EeV}$ in models of the regular GMF,
- Studied effects of no « one-to-one » correspondance, and of magnetic lensing,
- « Blind regions »: some sources do not contribute to the flux detected at Earth,
- Effects rarely noticeable with proton or light nuclei sources,
- Some sources may be detectable, but a better knowledge on the GMF (SKA, LOFAR,...) would be needed for better algorithms.
- Model dependent results, but general ideas to keep in mind when analysing data.

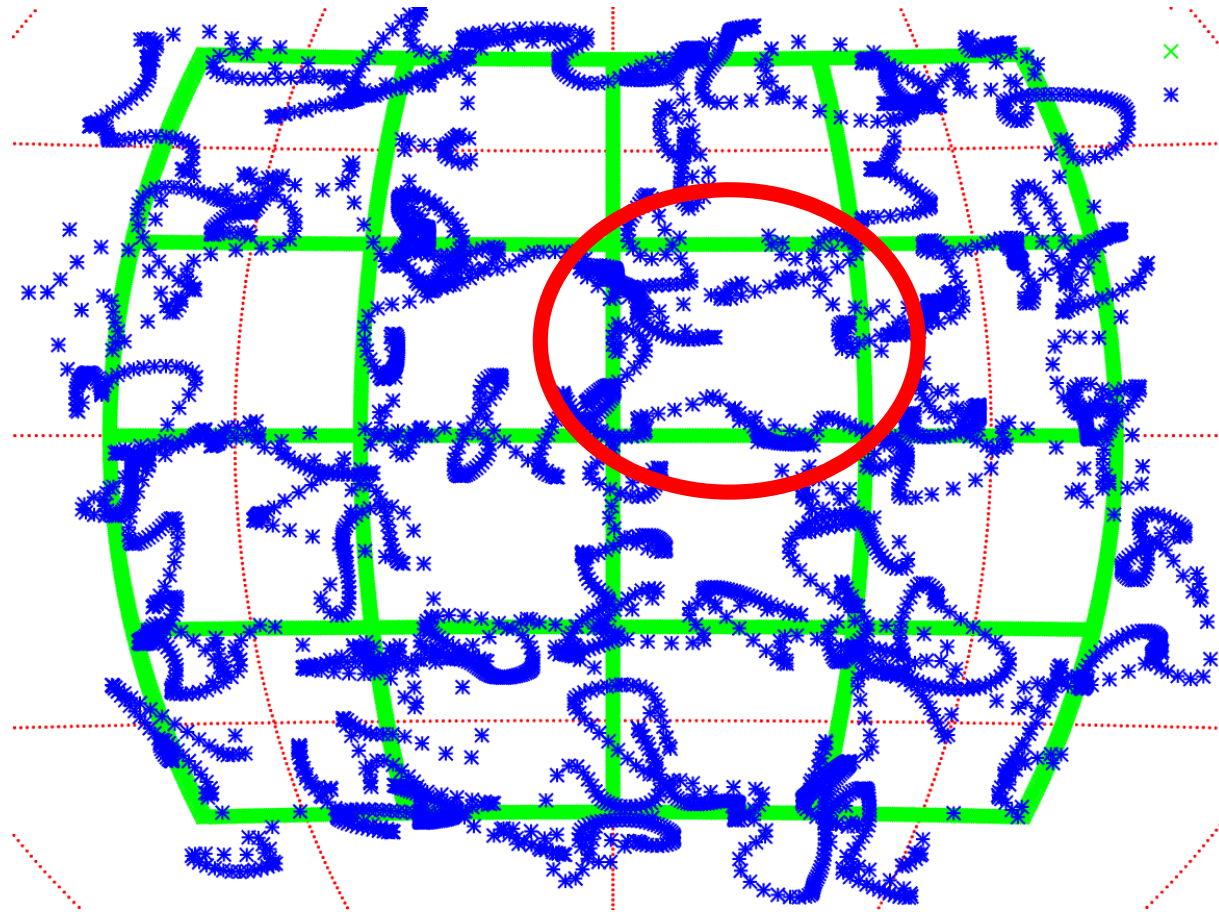
Backup

The turbulent Galactic MF:



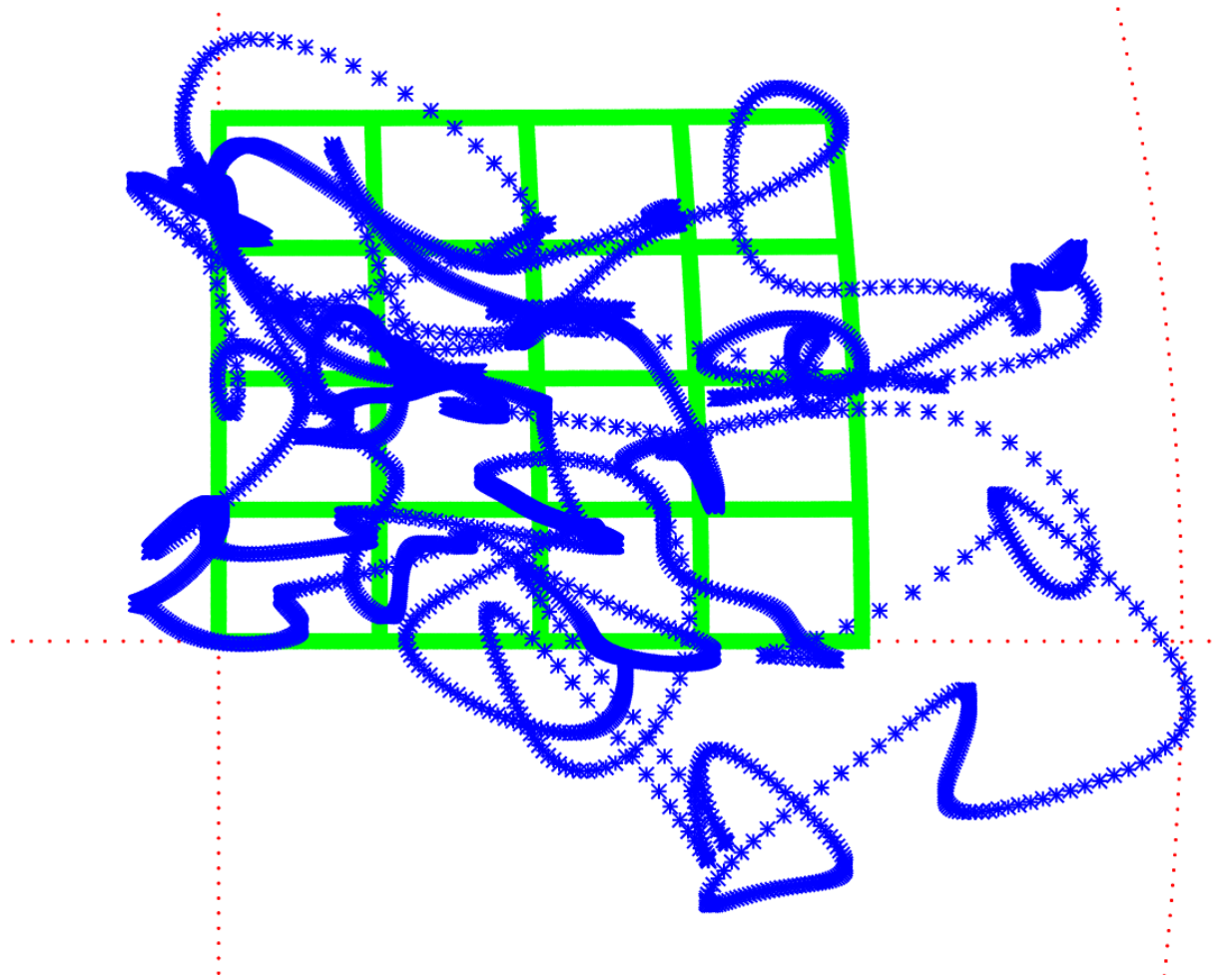
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