



Statistical methods for the analysis of rotation measure grids in large scale structures

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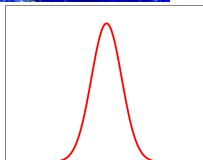
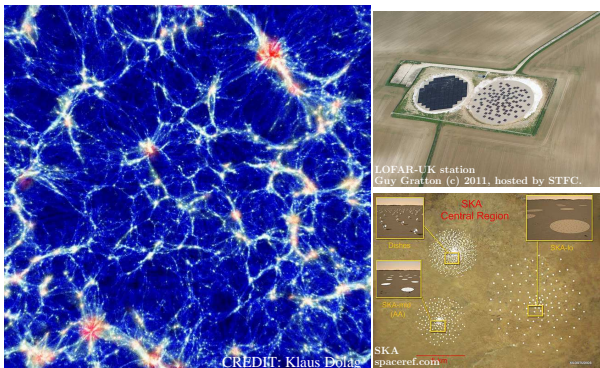
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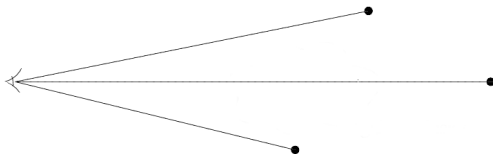
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CONTEXT

GOAL: Study the origin and evolution of cosmic magnetism



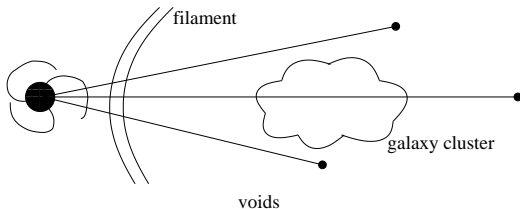
FARADAY DEPTH



$$\phi_i = a_0 \int_0^{x_i} dx \frac{n_e B_x}{(1+z)^2}$$

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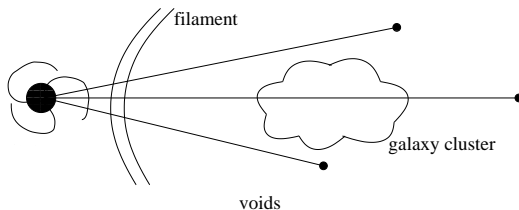
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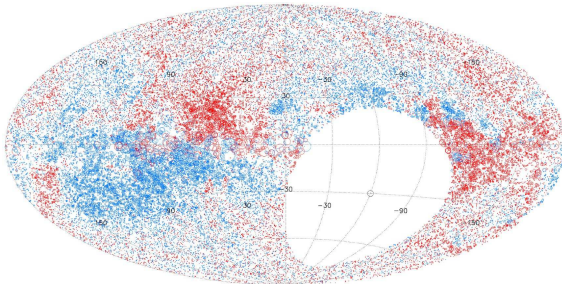
$$\langle \phi_i^2 \rangle \sim \sigma_{i,\text{gal}}^2 + \sigma_{i,\text{int}}^2 + \sigma_{i,\text{env}}^2$$

$$\approx \sigma_{i,\text{gal}}^2 + \frac{e^{\chi_0}}{(1+z_i)^{4+\chi_2}} + \frac{L(z_i, \chi_3)}{L_0} e^{\chi_1}$$

$$L(z_i, \chi_3) = \int_0^{z_i} \frac{c(1+z_i)^{4+\chi_3}}{H_0 \sqrt{W_m(1+z_i)^3 + W_c(1+z_i)^2 + W_l}} dz$$

AVAILABLE INFORMATION

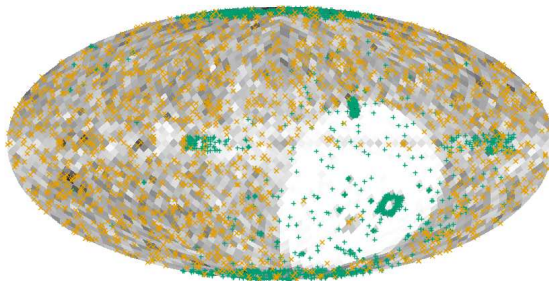
FARADAY ROTATION CATALOG FOR 37543 SOURCES FROM NVSS



Taylor et al. (2009)

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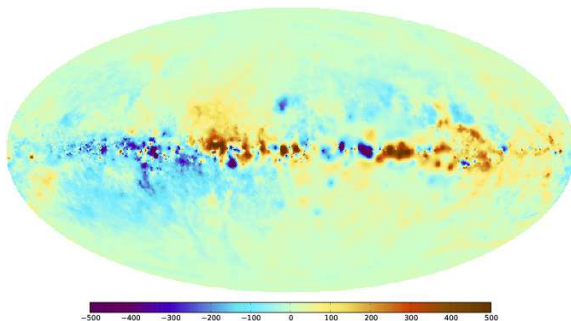
SIP AND VIP POINTS



Oppermann et al. (2014)

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GALACTIC AND EXTRAGALACTIC CONTRIBUTION

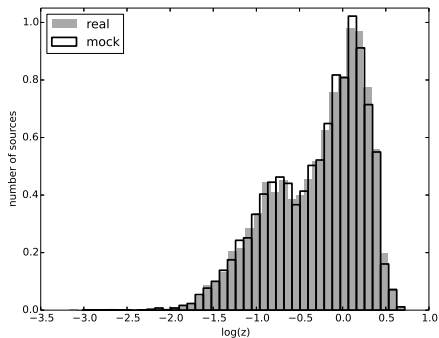
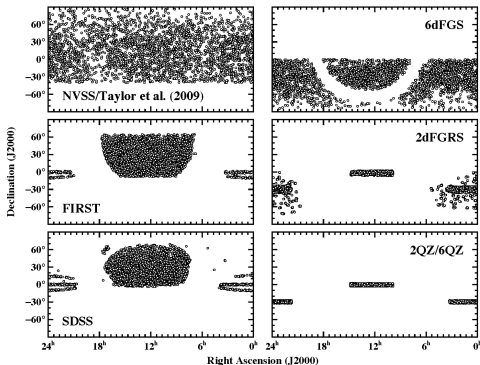


$$d_i = \phi_{g,i} + \phi_{e,i} + n_i$$

Oppermann et al. (2012, 2014)

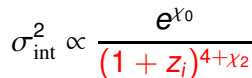
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REDSHIFT CATALOG



Hammond et al. (2012)

REDSHIFT CATALOG



$$\sigma_{\text{env}}^2 \propto e^{\chi_1} \frac{L(z_i, \chi_3)}{L_0}$$

$$\chi_0 = 0.$$

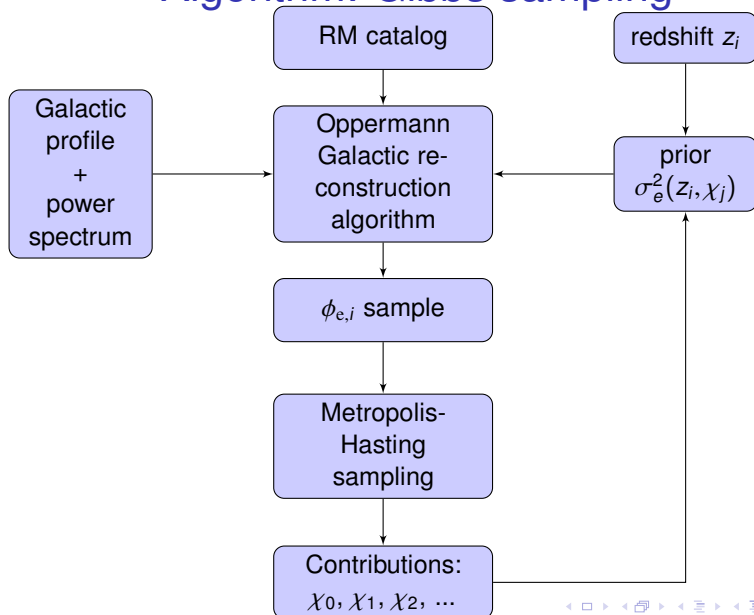
$$\chi_1 = -6.$$

$$\chi_2 = 1.$$

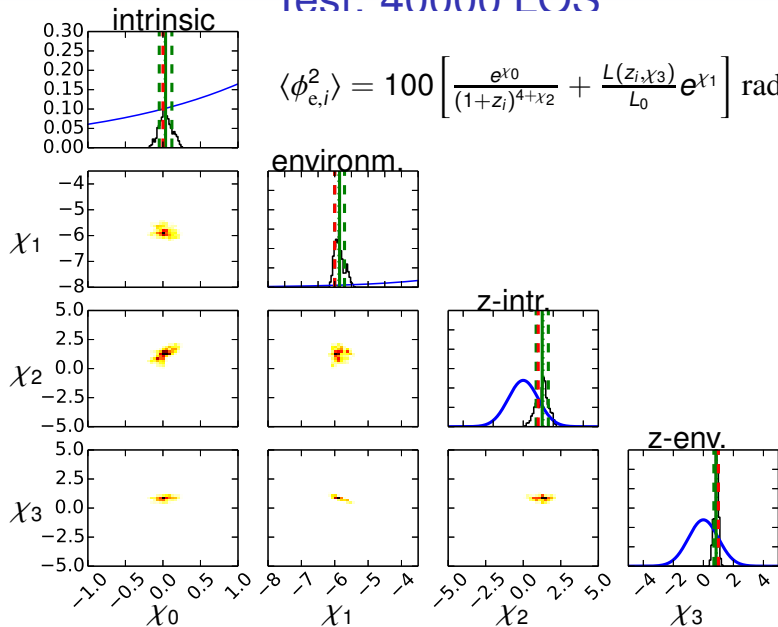
$$\chi_3 = 1.$$

z>3: 56 sources

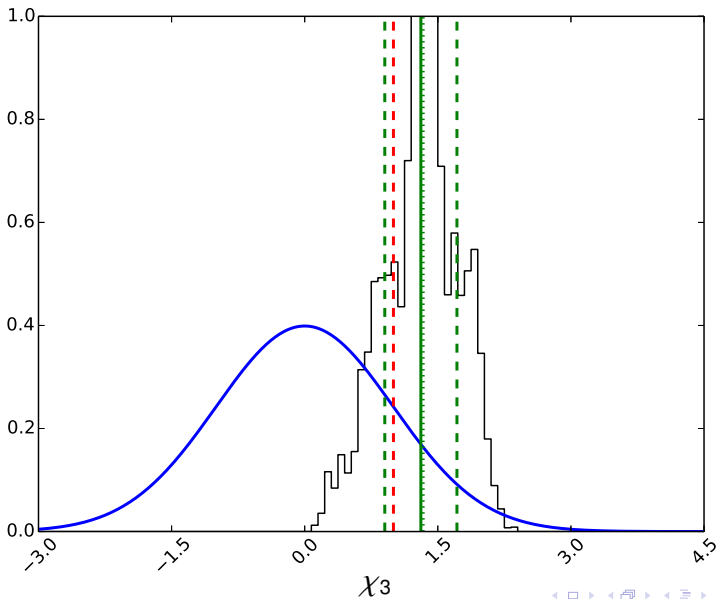
Algorithm: Gibbs sampling



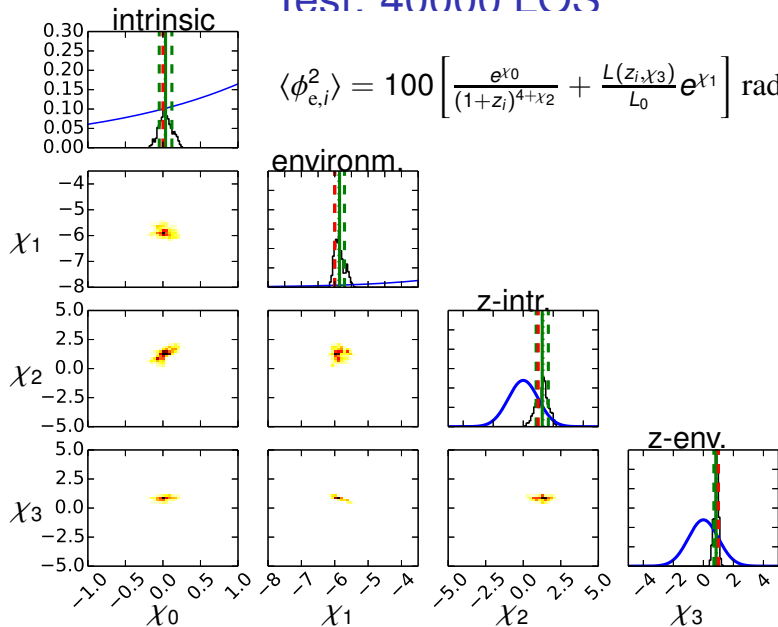
Test: 40000 LOS



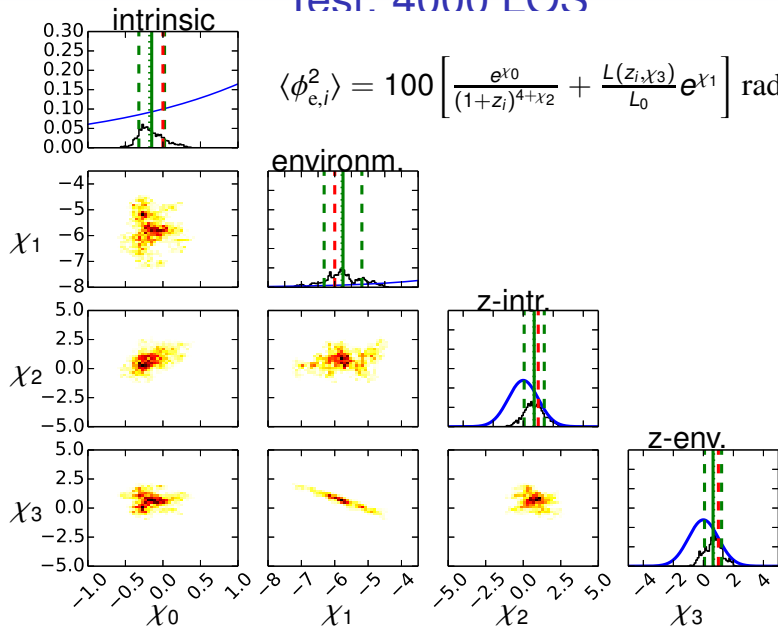
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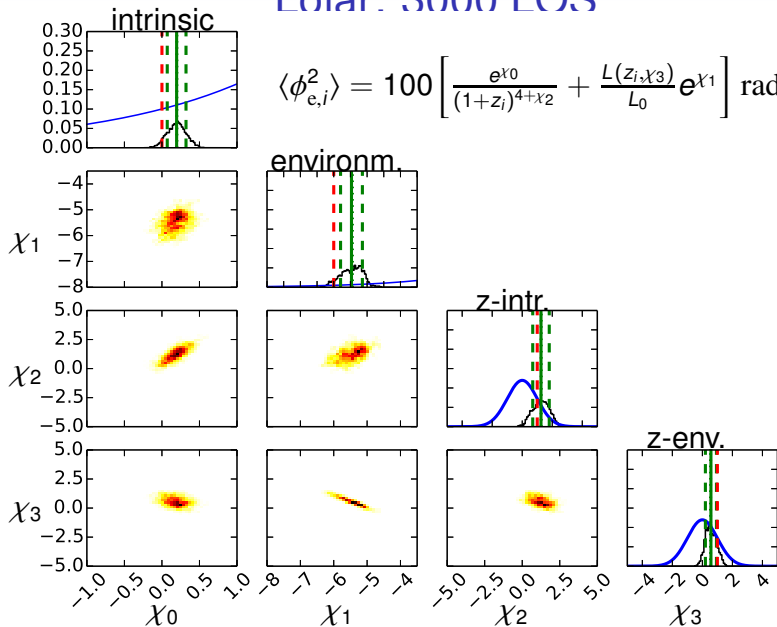
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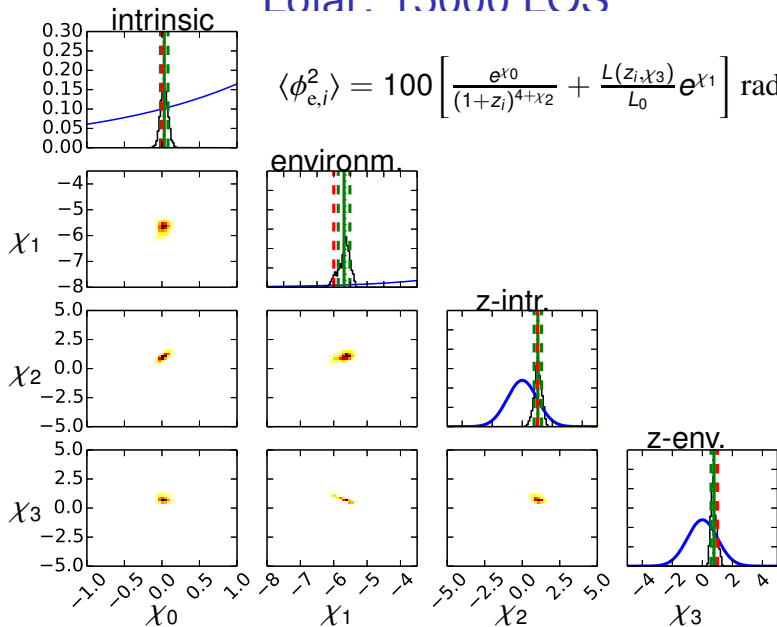
Test: 4000 LOS



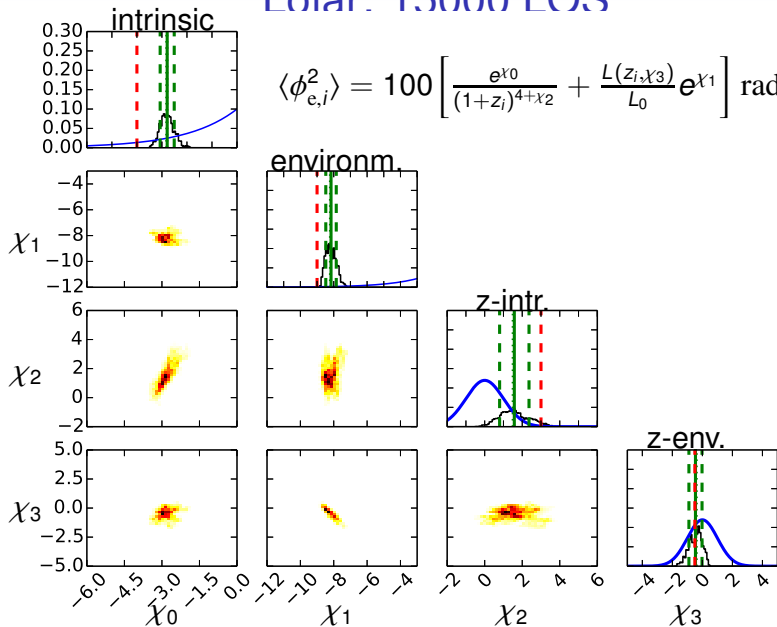
Lofar: 3000 LOS



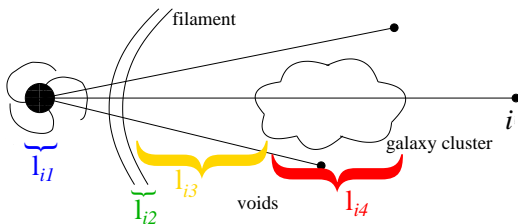
Lofar: 15000 LOS



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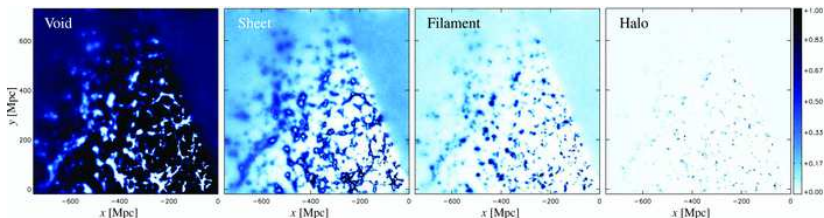
Second step



$$\langle \phi_i^2 \rangle \sim \underbrace{\sigma_{i,\text{int}}^2}_{l_{ij}} + \underbrace{\int_0^{x_i} \frac{dx}{(1+z)^4} a_0^2 n_e^2 \langle B_x^2 \rangle \lambda_x}_{\chi_j},$$

$$\approx e^{\chi_{i0}} + l_{j1} e^{\chi_1} + l_{j2} e^{\chi_2} + l_{j3} e^{\chi_3} + l_{j4} e^{\chi_4} + l_{j5} e^{\chi_5}$$

ADDITIONAL AVAILABLE INFORMATION



$$\langle \phi_{e,i}^2 \rangle \sim \exp(\chi_0) + \sum_{j=1}^N l_{ij} \exp(\chi_j)$$

Cosmic web structure, redshift catalog \rightarrow length matrix l_{ij}

Jasche et al. (2010), Leclercq et al. (2015)

Conclusions

- To infer the intrinsic and environment contribution a good knowledge of the observational noise and the redshift information are necessary;
- Lofar is in principle able to infer information for $B \sim nG$, for weaker fields SKA will be necessary;
- Proper reconstruction of the large scale structure up to high redshift as well as a proper modeling of the magnetic Universe is needed to test the algorithm for investigating magnetic fields in the different environments and make predictions.

THANK YOU!