

# Bayesian CMB foreground separation with a correlated log-normal model

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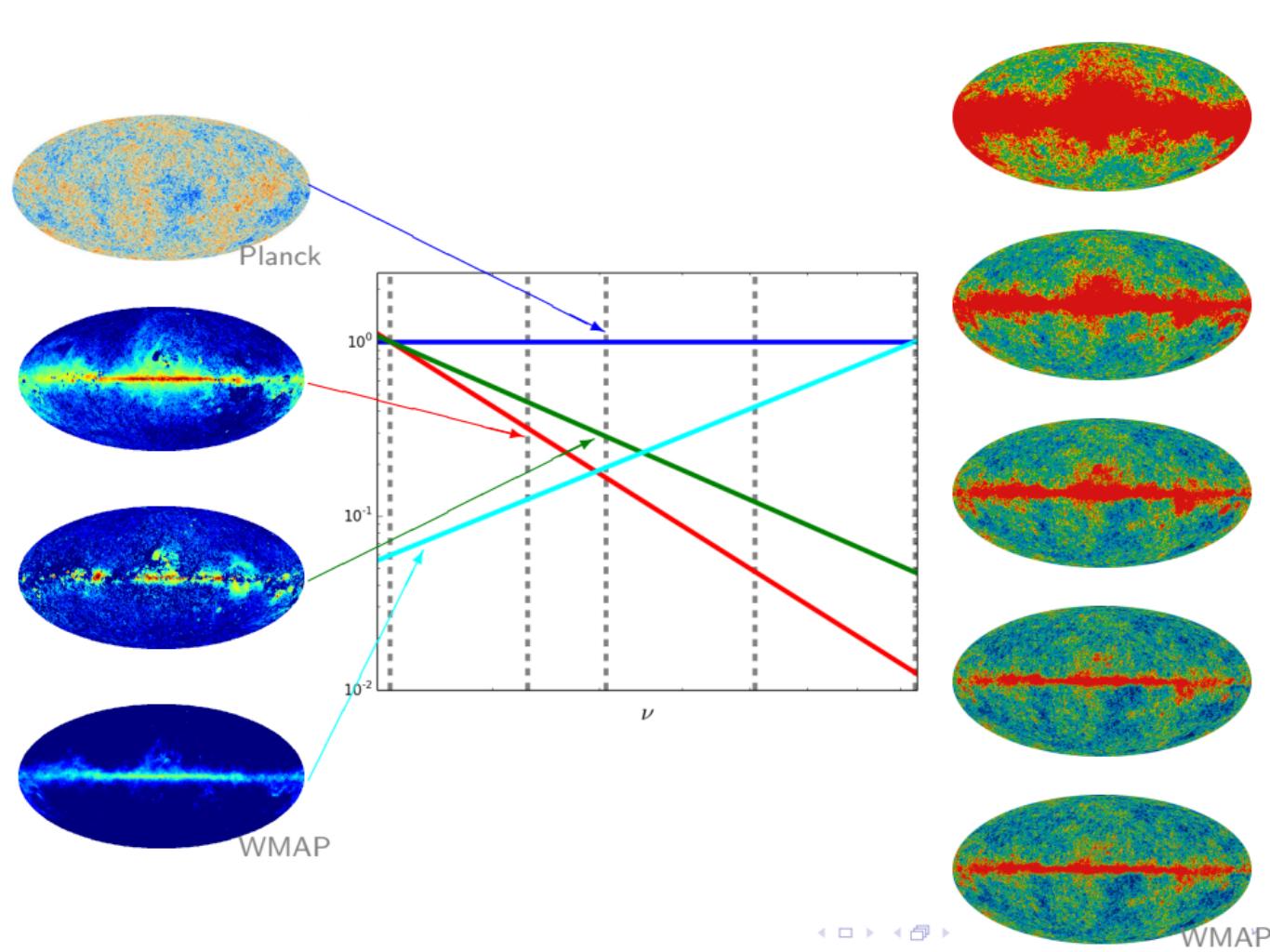
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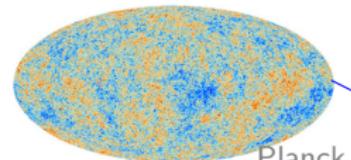
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Accurate astrophysics. Correct cosmology. London, 2015-07-14

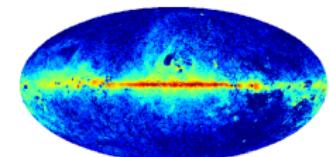


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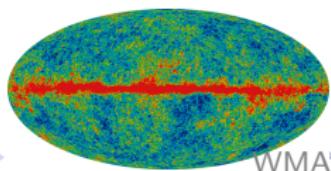
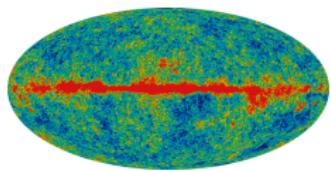
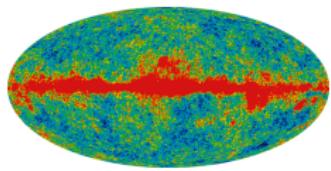
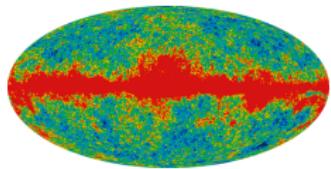
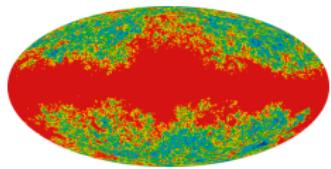
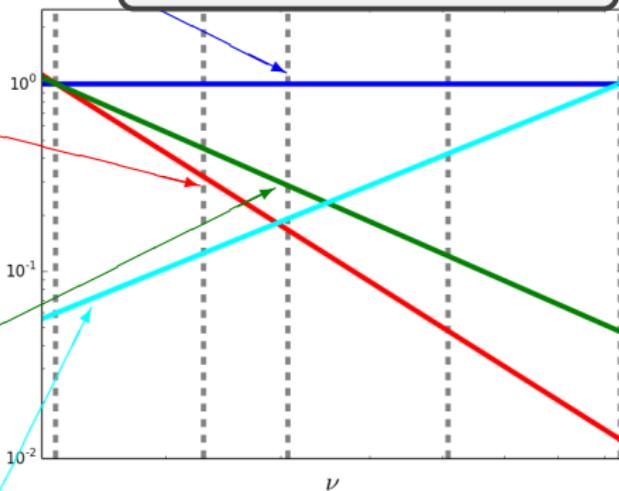
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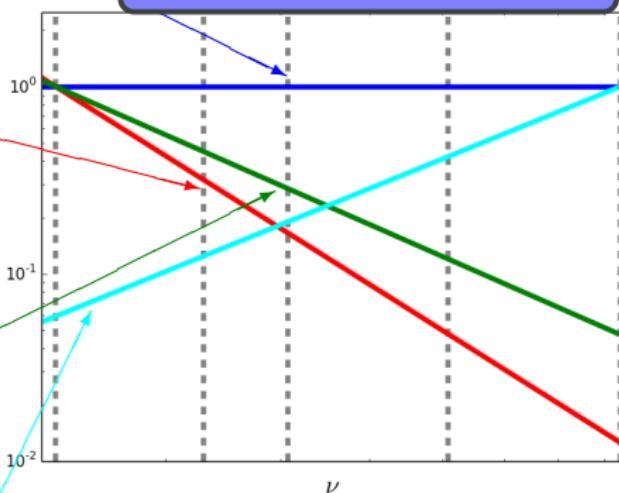


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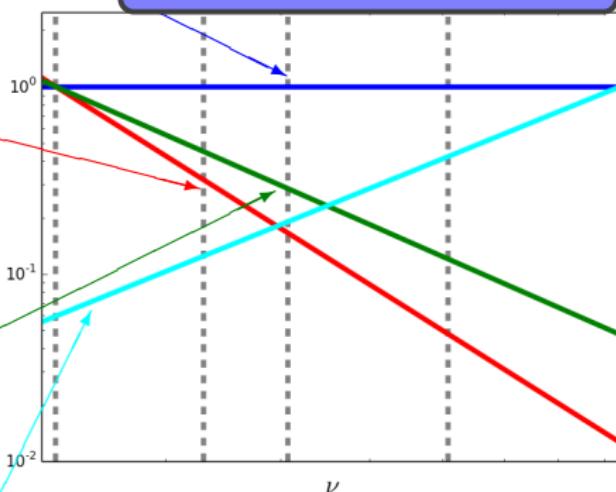
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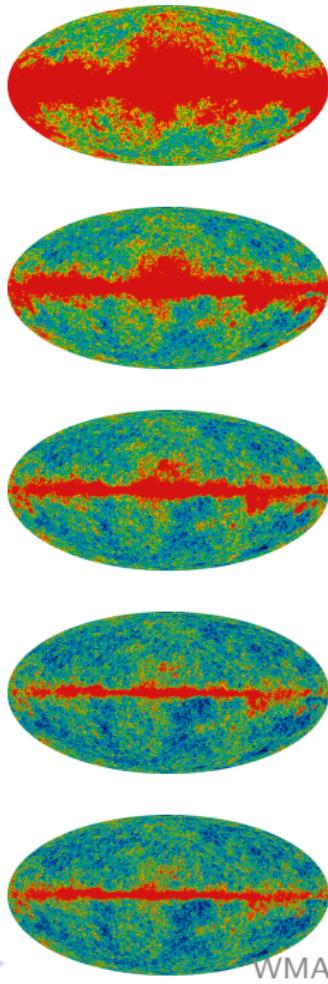
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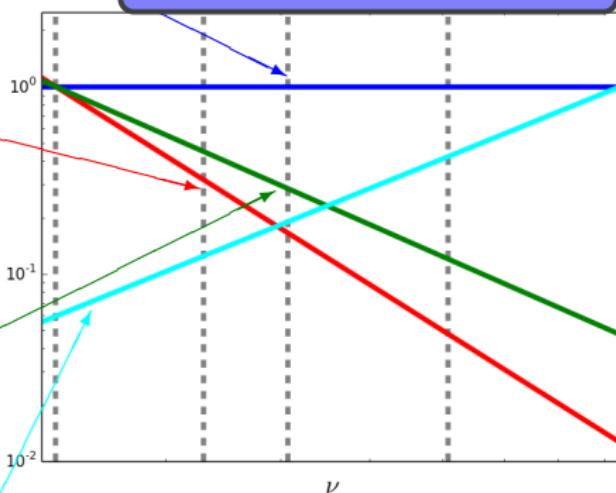
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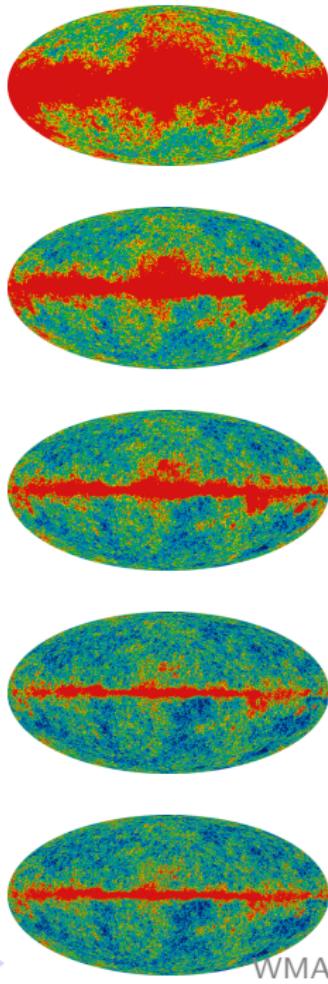
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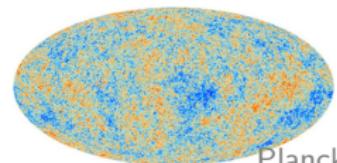
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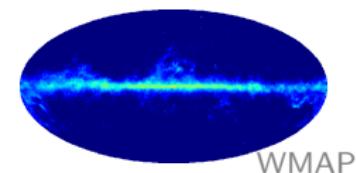
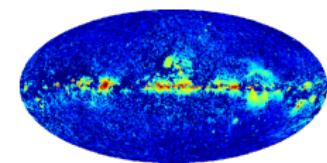
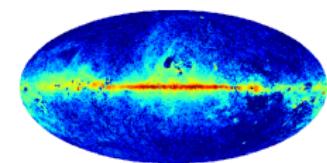
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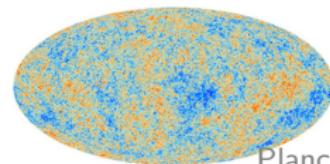


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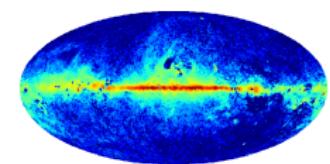
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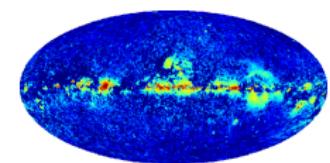


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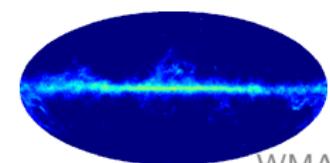
- 1) foregrounds (and CMB) spatially correlated



- 2) foregrounds cross-correlated



- 3) foregrounds non-Gaussian



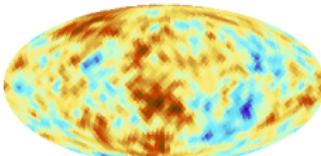
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- 4) foreground-fluctuations vary over orders of magnitude

- 5) foregrounds strictly positive

# Model

CMB



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synch

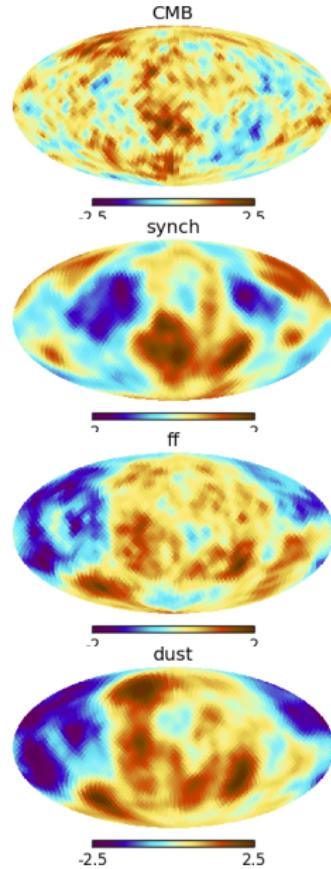
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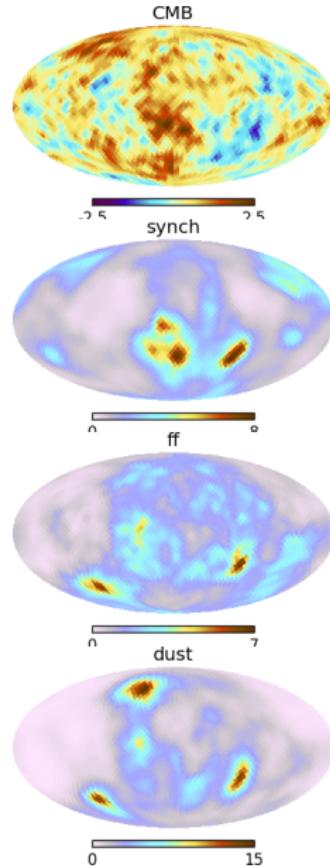
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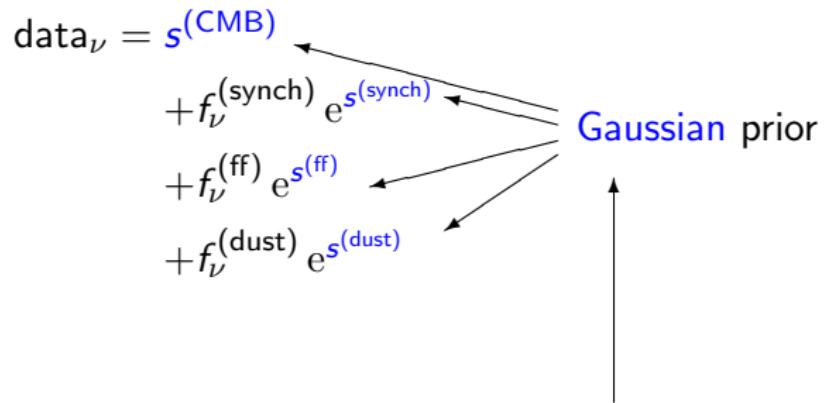
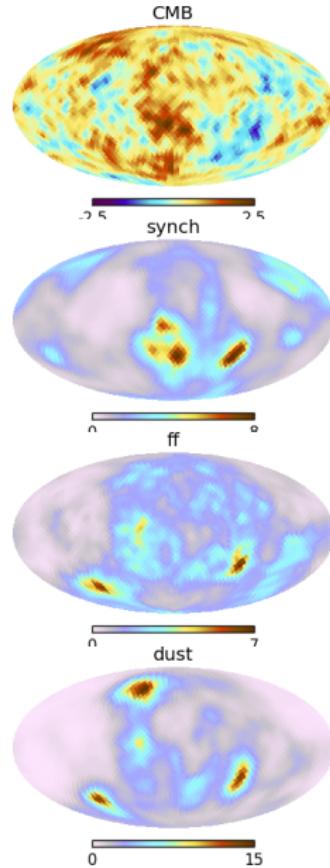
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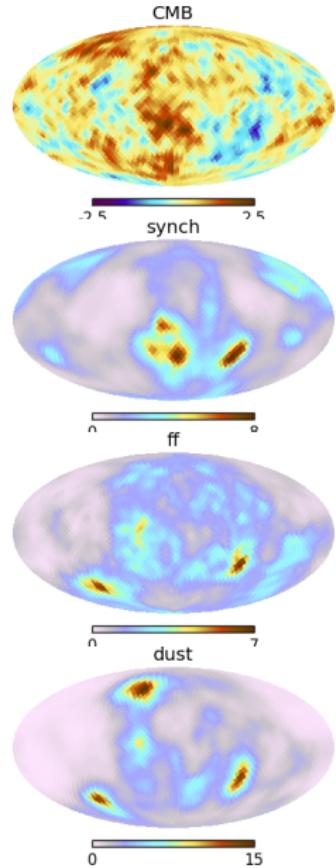
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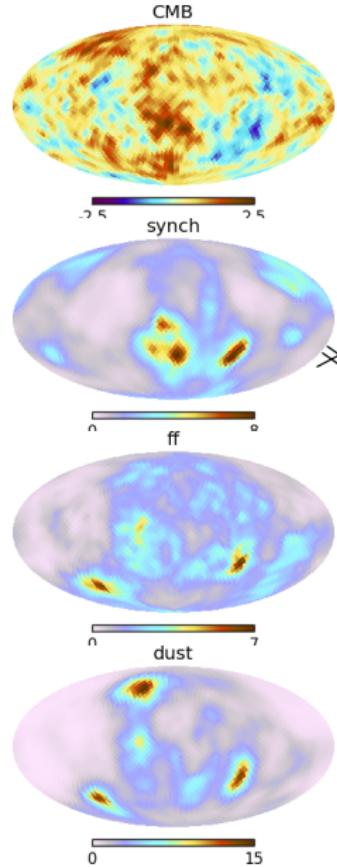
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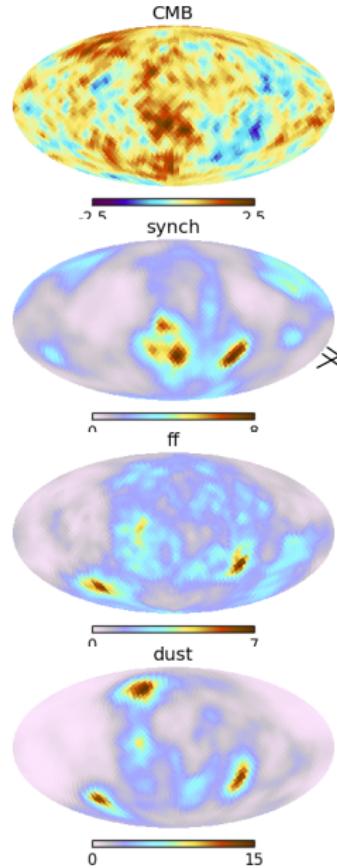
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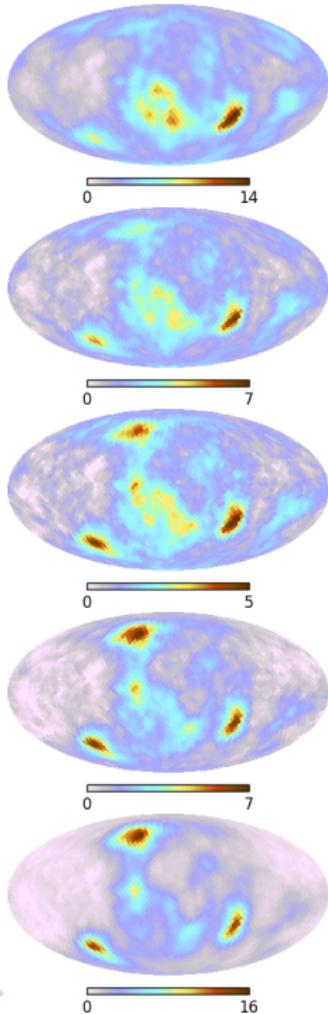
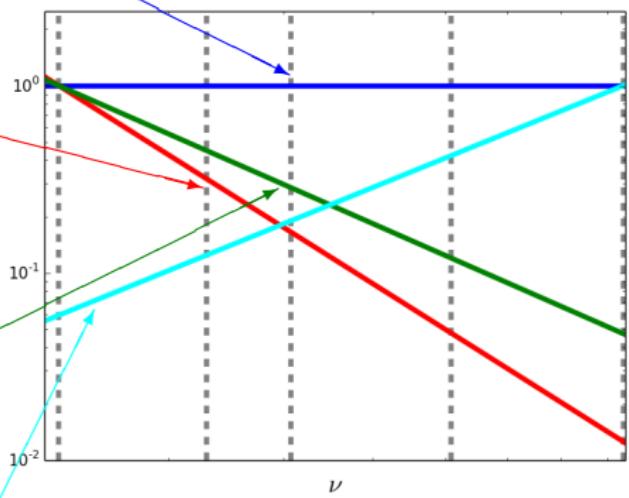
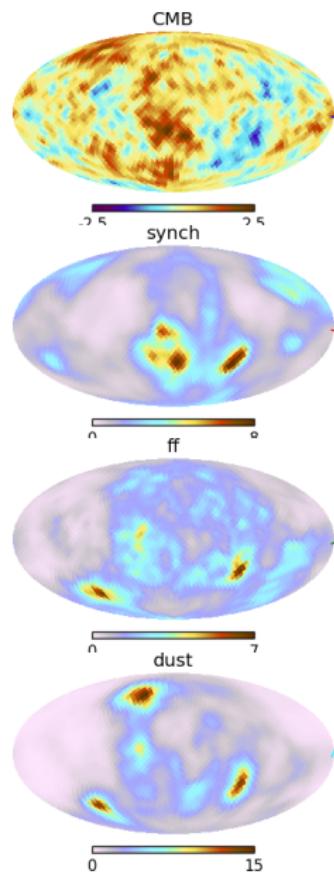
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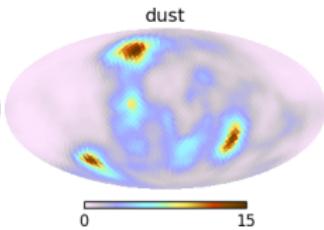
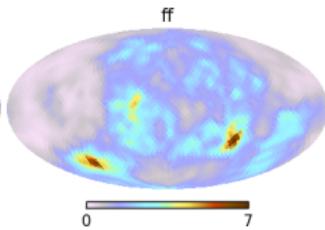
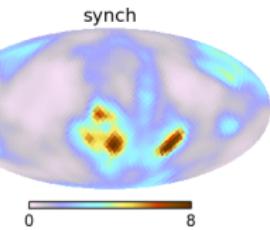
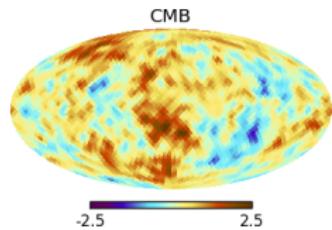
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# Test case



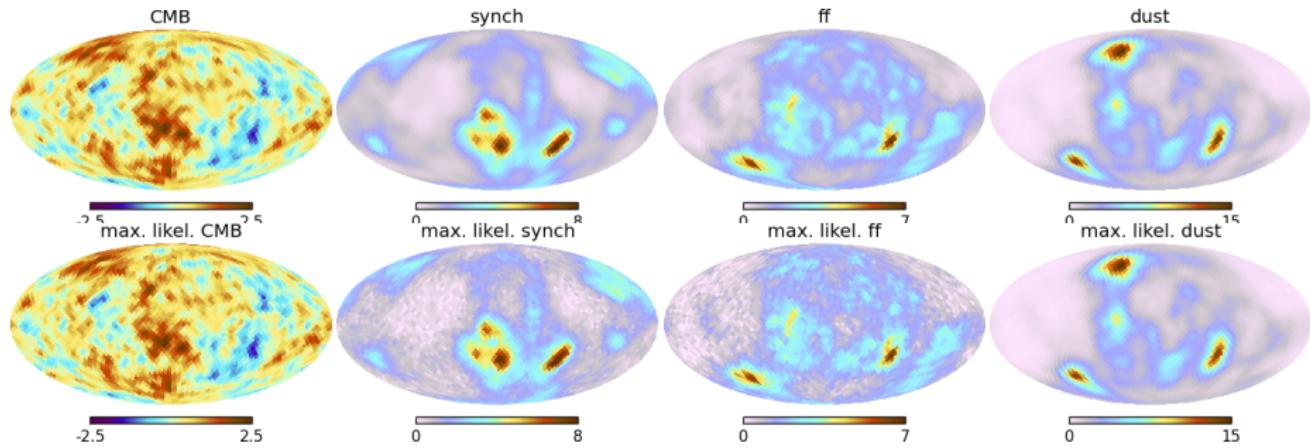
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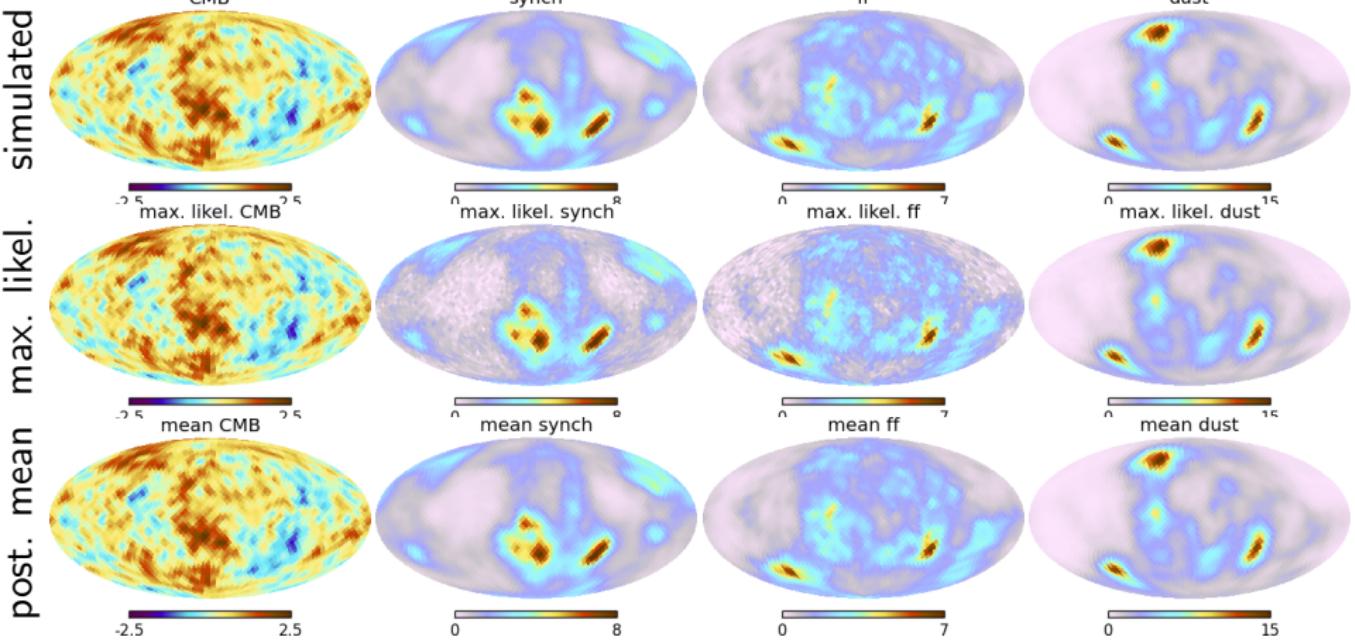


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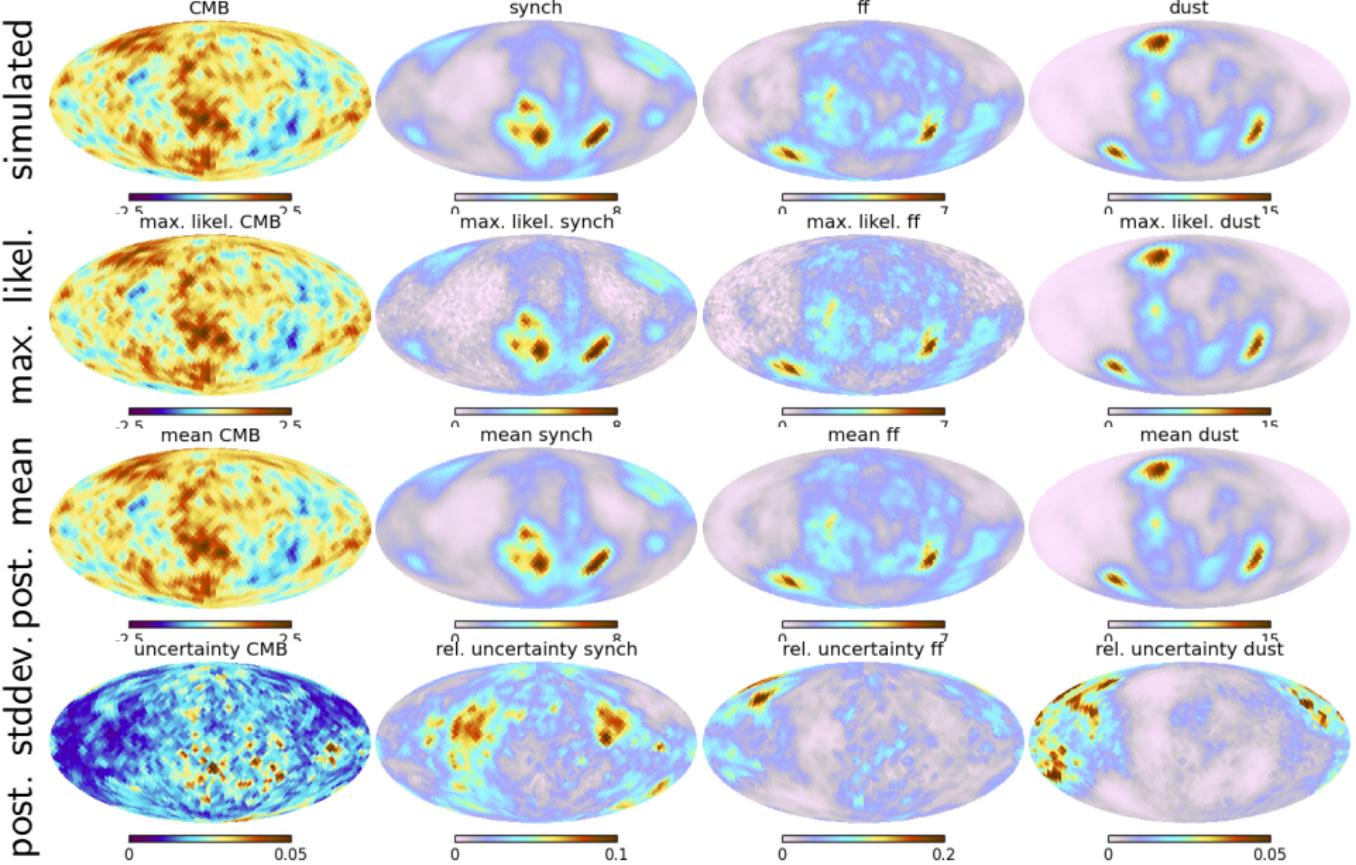
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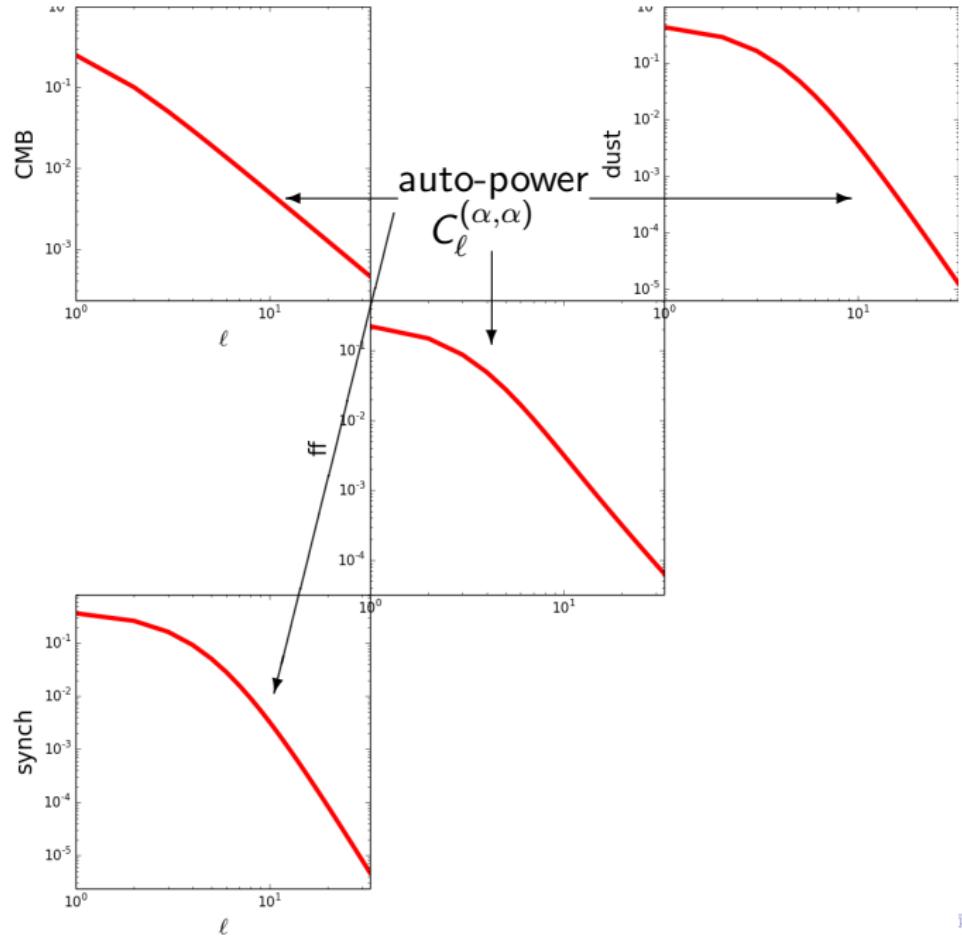
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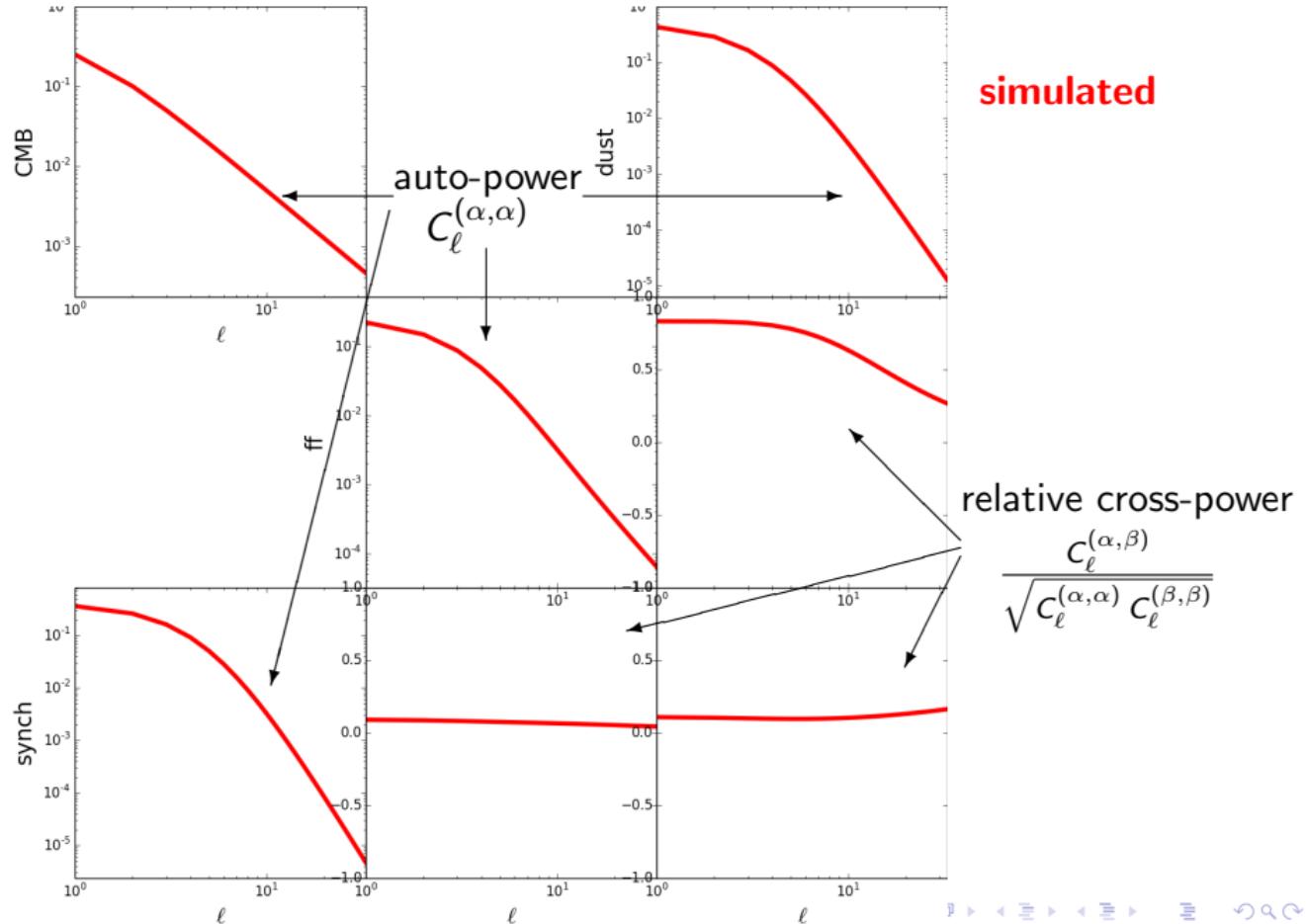


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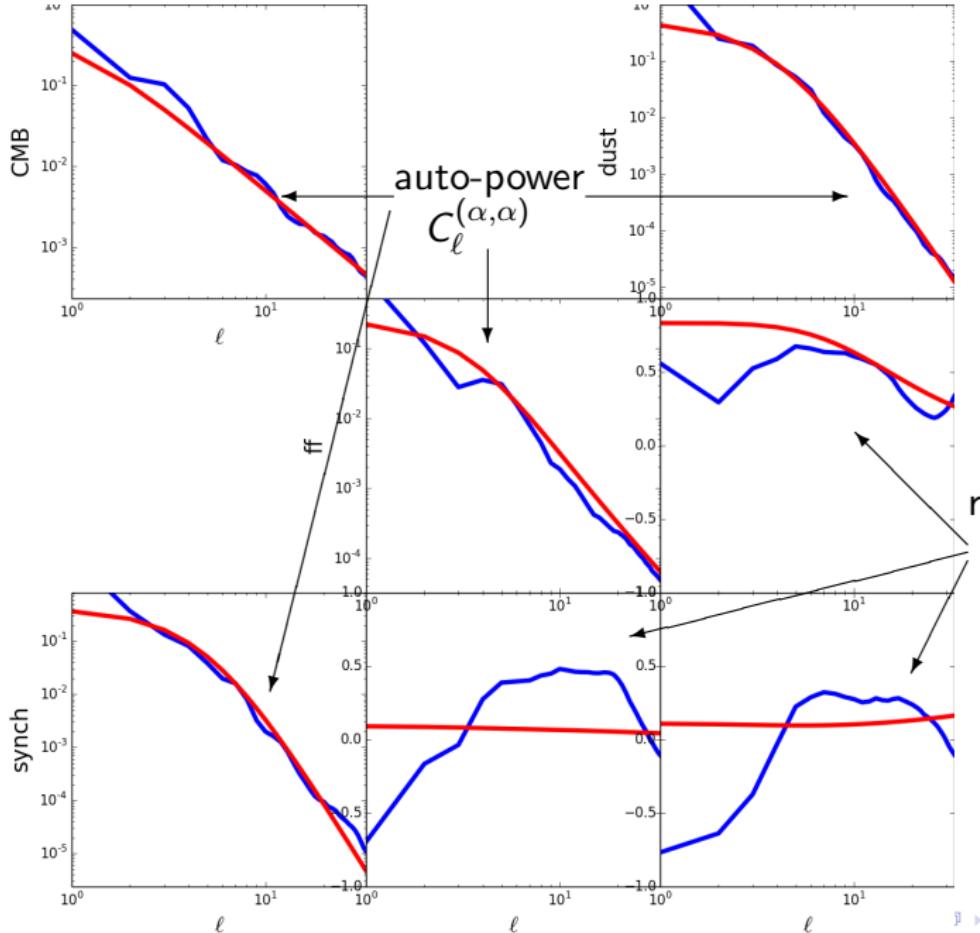


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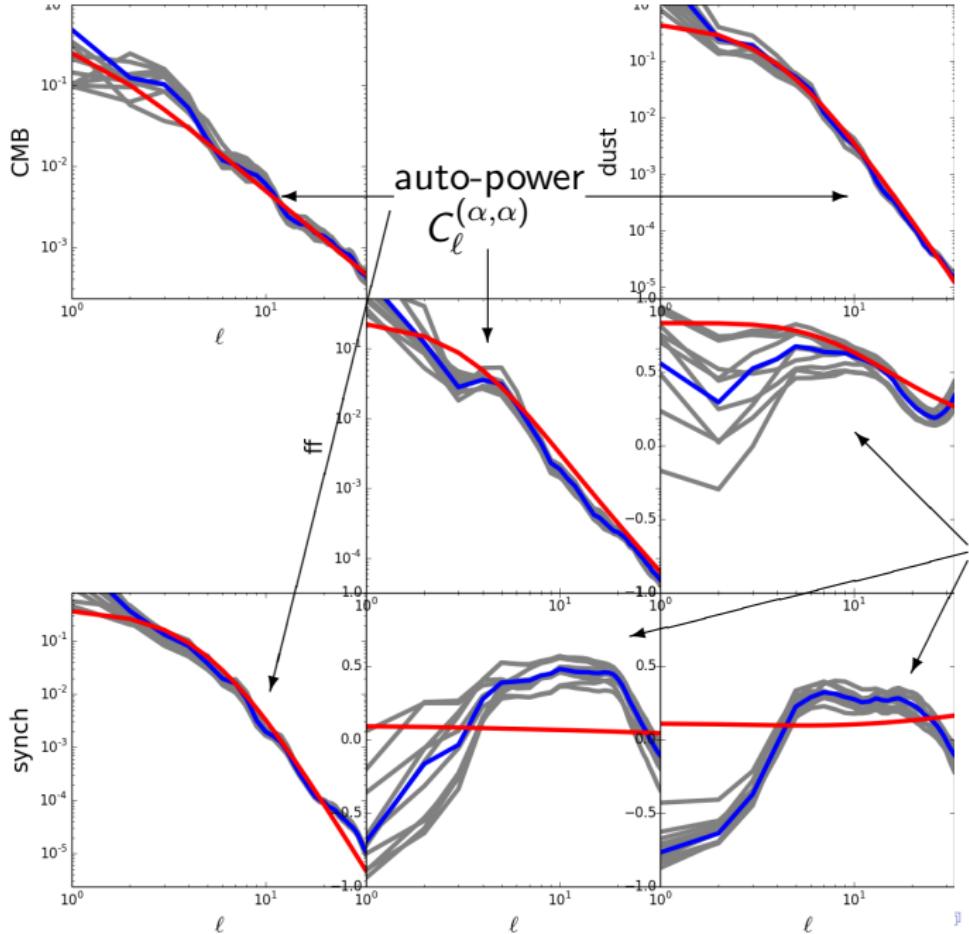


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## Bottom line

“All models are wrong, but some are useful.” (Box & Draper 1987)

Maybe being **less wrong** makes it more useful.

- ▶ spatial correlations
- ▶ cross-correlations between components

## Applications:

- ▶ all-sky diffuse component separation (?)
- ▶ separation in targeted regions:
  - ▶ synchrotron due to different populations of electrons
  - ▶ thermal dust emission at different temperatures
  - ▶ spinning dust emission due to different species
- ▶ extend to polarization, 21cm, EoR,...
- ▶ ...