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2FGL: The Second Fermi LAT Catalog

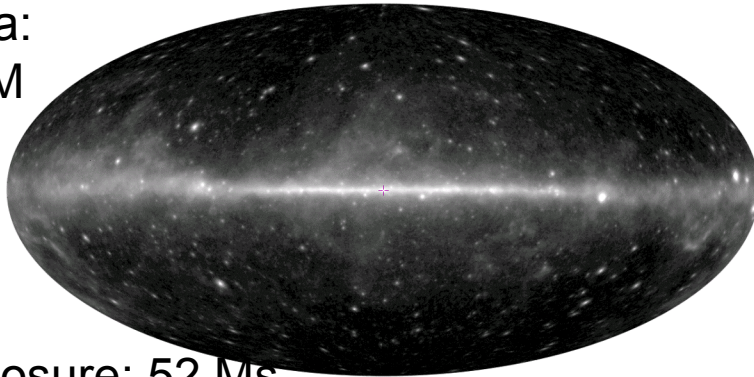
Construction and Content

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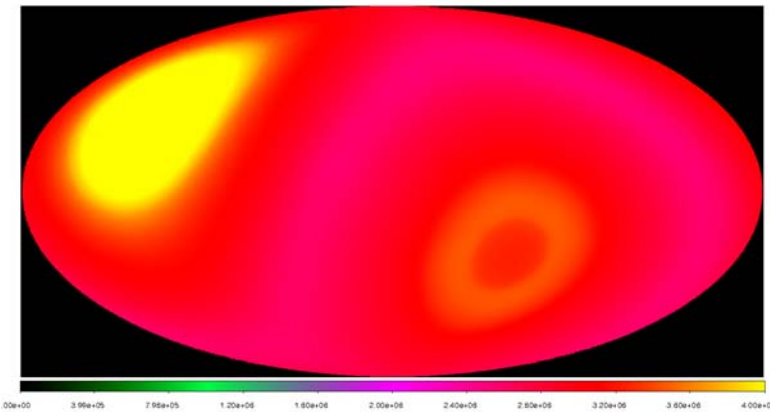
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The Basic task: find sources in the photon data

Data:
28 M



Exposure: 52 Ms



2FGL Table 1888 entries
[1FGL: 1451]

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1 2FOL_J0000 9-0748	P72Y0002	0.233711	-7.8155	88
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8 2FOL_J0007 7-6825	P72Y0024	1.92505	-68.418	111
9 2FOL_J0007 8-4713	P72Y0025	1.97432	-47.22	111
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11 2FOL_J0009 0-0632	P72Y0028	2.26231	6.54235	111
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13 2FOL_J0009 9-3206	P72Y0031	2.40449	-32.1118	111
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16 2FOL_J0012 9-3954	P72Y0040	3.24638	-39.9005	332
17 2FOL_J0013 8-1907	P72Y0043	3.46375	19.126	111
18 2FOL_J0014 3-0509	P72Y0045	3.58116	-5.15295	95
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32 2FOL_J0029 2-7043	P72Y0082	7.30062	-70.7255	302
33 2FOL_J0030 2-4223	P72Y0085	7.57263	-42.3863	317
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51 2FOL_J0045 5-1218	P72Y0121	11.3964	12.3121	122
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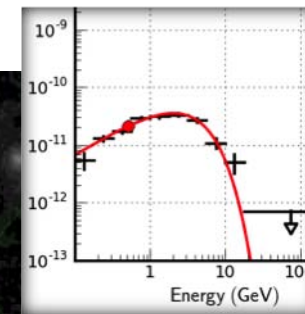
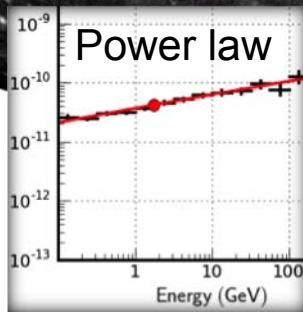
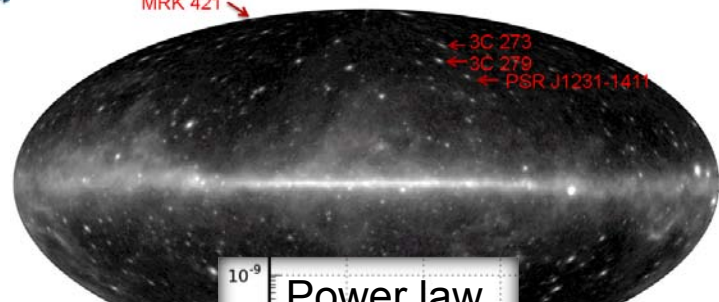
Two years (excluding 3 GRBs)
"Pass7 processing"



[1FGL: 11 months]

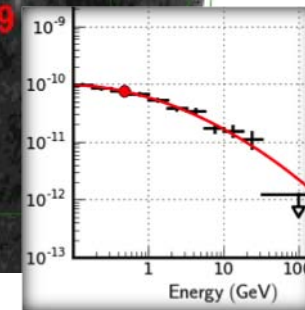
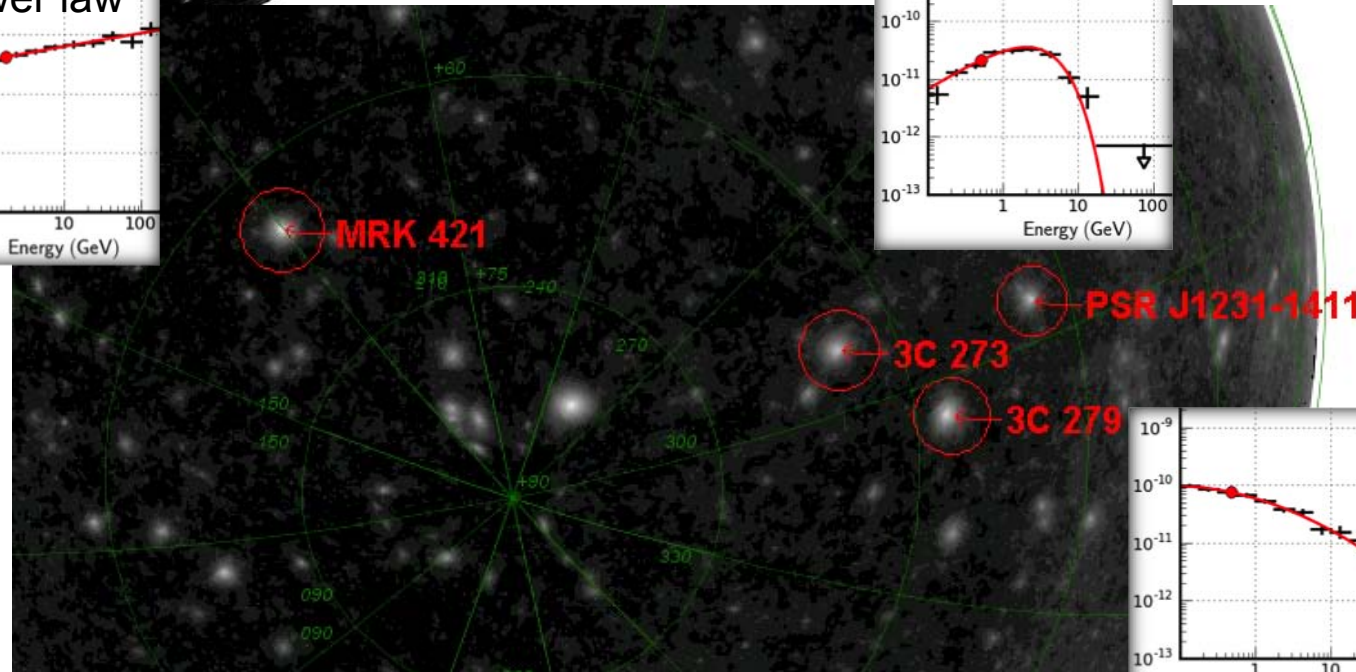
+ Light curves,
SED plots,
associations

Strong source high latitude example: SED plots



Pulsars fit with exponential cutoff

NEW



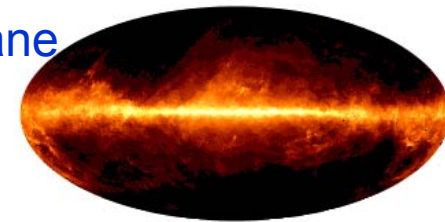
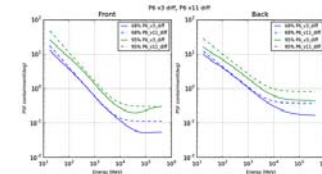
NEW

Circles are 3°, 100 MeV PSF ('front' section) (varies by a factor of 30 with energy!)

Use log parabola if better fit

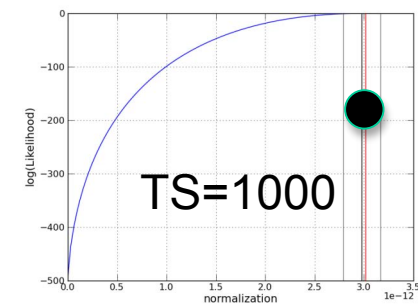
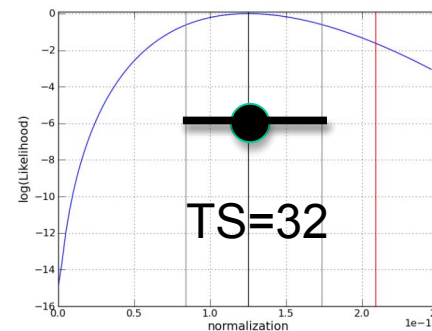
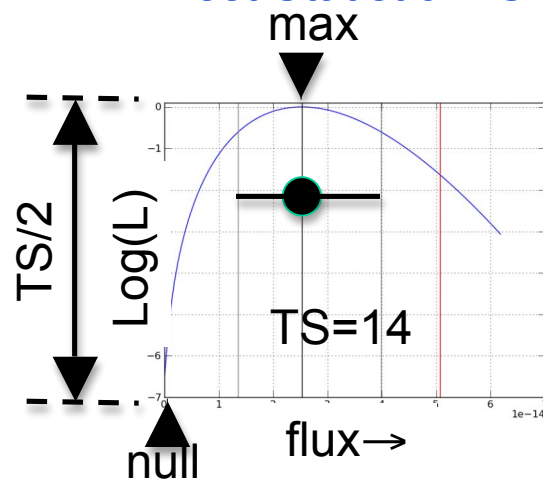
Measuring point source properties: maximize likelihood

- ❑ Model of the sky must account for *all* photons NEW
 - PSF (poster by Roth, Rando, Wood)
 - Aeff (poster by Ackermann, Atwood, Rando)
 - Galactic, isotropic diffuse including CR (talk by J-M Casandjian) 1/8 degree grid, pixels centered on plane
 - Earth limb




- ❑ An important issue: how to measure significance?

Test Statistic: $TS = -2 \log(L_{\text{fit}}/L_{\text{null}})$



- ❑ We conservatively choose only sources with $TS > 25$.

Detecting sources

- ❑ Initial list: use 1FGL supplemented with:
 - PGWave, MRfilter: image based
 - MST (minimal spanning tree): pattern of high energy photons
- ❑ Likelihood, using current model 
 - Test each of 3.1 M 0.1° deg pixels with a trial point source, (index 2), record the corresponding TS.
 - Look for clusters with max TS > 10, use as seed for new iteration
- ❑ Efficiency checks:
 - Test with Monte Carlo – generated sources
 - Recheck by applying PGWave

The 2FGL process: Stage I

Use the *pointlike* tool applied between 100 MeV and 300 GeV.

❑ Initial list: use 1FGL as seeds supplemented with:

- PGWave, MRfilter: image based
- MST (minimal spanning tree): pattern of high energy photons

❑ Create model with point and extended sources, galactic, isotropic and limb diffuse

- Require exponential cutoff for all LAT pulsars, use log parabola if improves fit

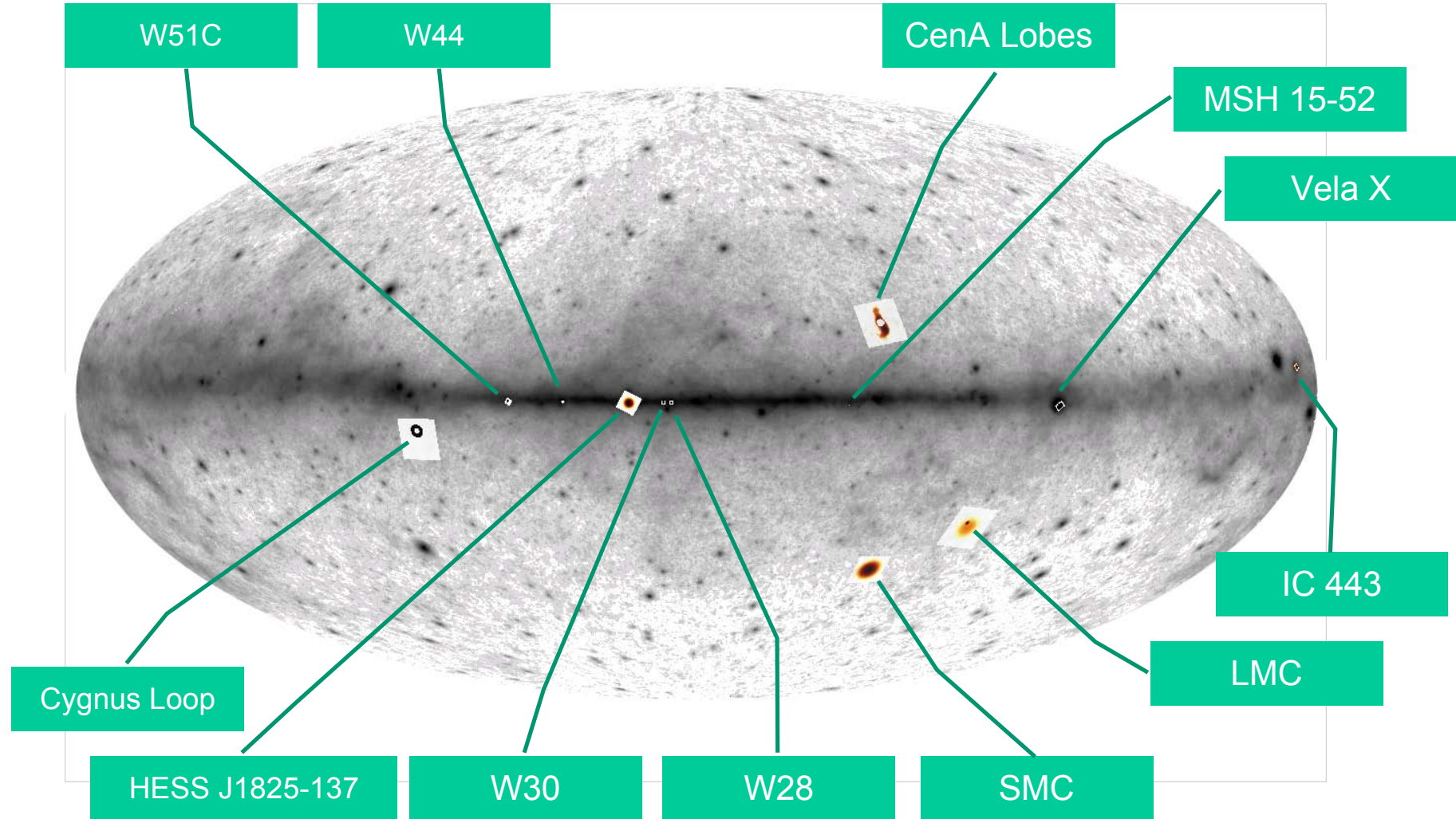
❑ Fit the entire sky including updating positions (procedure detailed below)

❑ Create 'residual TS' map:

- TS for new point source (index 2) at each of 3.1M 0.1° pixels
- Look for clusters with $\max TS > 10$, use as seeds in new model

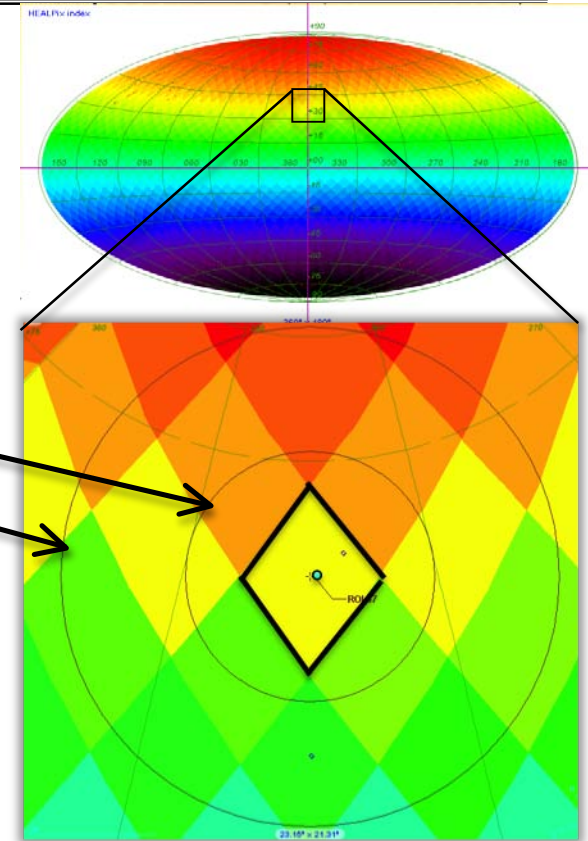
❑ Provide all with $TS > 10$ to stage II

Extended source templates



Details about the sky model

- ❑ Tessellate sky using HEALPix: 1728 regions
- ❑ Each $\sim 5^\circ$ square pixel defines:
 - Center of circular regions for:
 - data (5 deg)
 - sources (10 deg)
 - sources inside are varied; those outside fixed to results of previous iteration
 - Note $\sim x3$ overlap of data: not independent
- ❑ Diffuse component normalizations free
- ❑ Iteration procedure:
 - Each region fit (full likelihood maximized) independently
 - Each fit remeasures point source positions: Apply updates between cycles.
 - Check changes in $\log(L)$: iterate until none changes by more than 10 (8-10 iterations required)

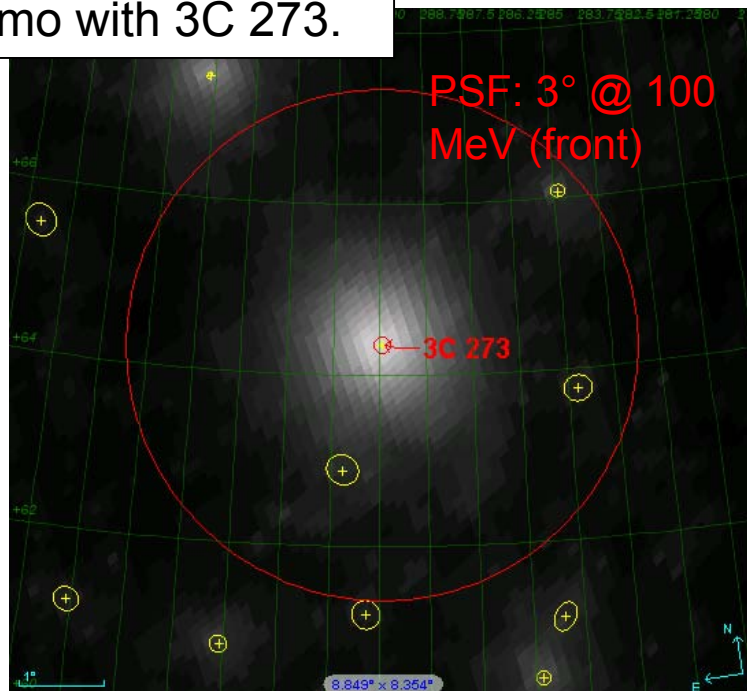


Colors: HEALPix index

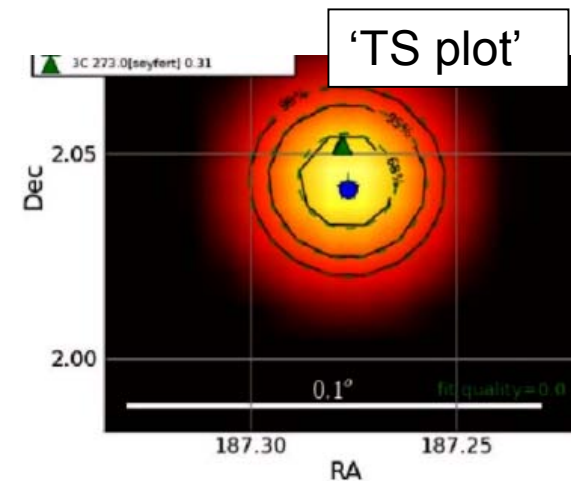
Localization

Basic principle: the likelihood function, as a function of the position of a source, is an estimator of the position, with the curvature defining the resolution.

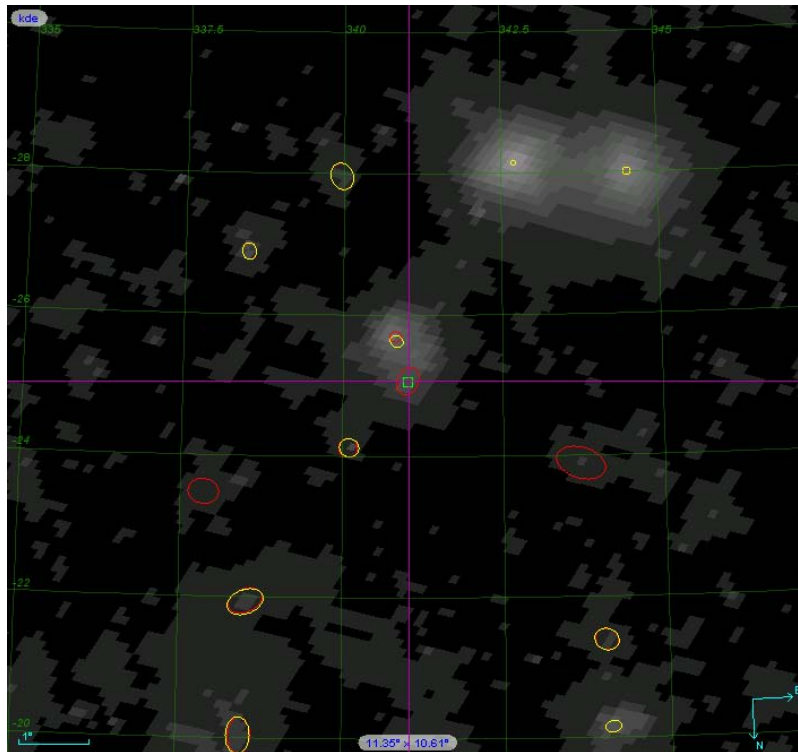
Demo with 3C 273.



Error ellipse defined by 95% contour (2.45σ). Plot shows contours, and results of fit to quadratic surface



Source confusion



Example of overlapping sources resolved by PGWave: missed source close (0.65°) to a stronger source

Analysis of nearest neighbor distribution (for high latitudes) indicates missing fraction of 5.5%, vs. 7.6% for 1FGL

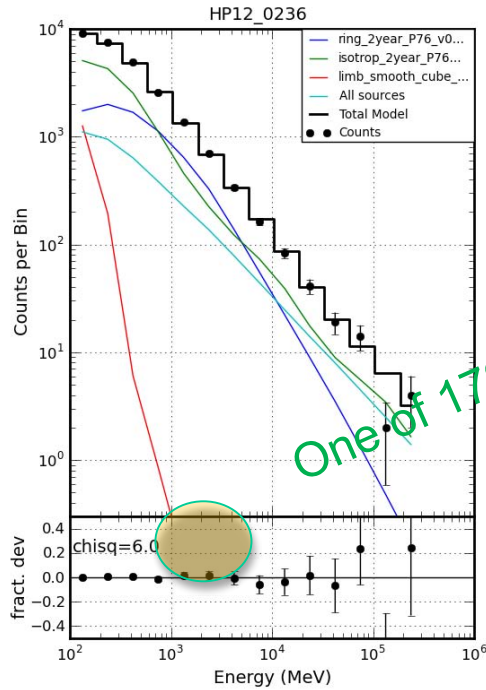
Yellow: intermediate iteration
Red: added in final iteration

Localization assessment

- ❑ Since localization errors are determined by the PSF, itself defined by data, a consistency check is to compare the distribution of deviations of associated sources with the expected
 - Preliminary indications are that in fact we need to scale the error ellipse dimensions by a factor of 1.1, as in 1FGL.
- ❑ Some apparent associations, or pulsar identifications, are far off due to diffuse confusion; the final catalog positions for 2 such LAT-identified pulsars will be fixed to the radio locations.

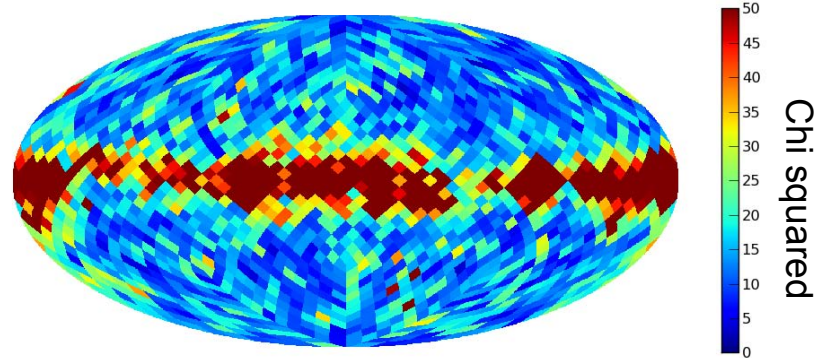
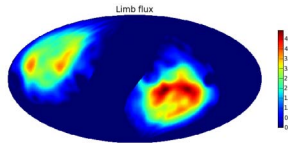
Stage I Summary

Consistency mostly good



One of 1728

Limb distribution

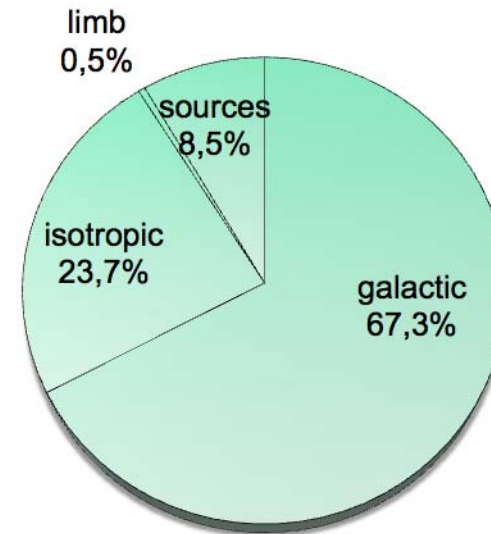


Example consistency check:
all photons in 5° radius circle
(Approx. 12 d.o.f.)

Free parameters

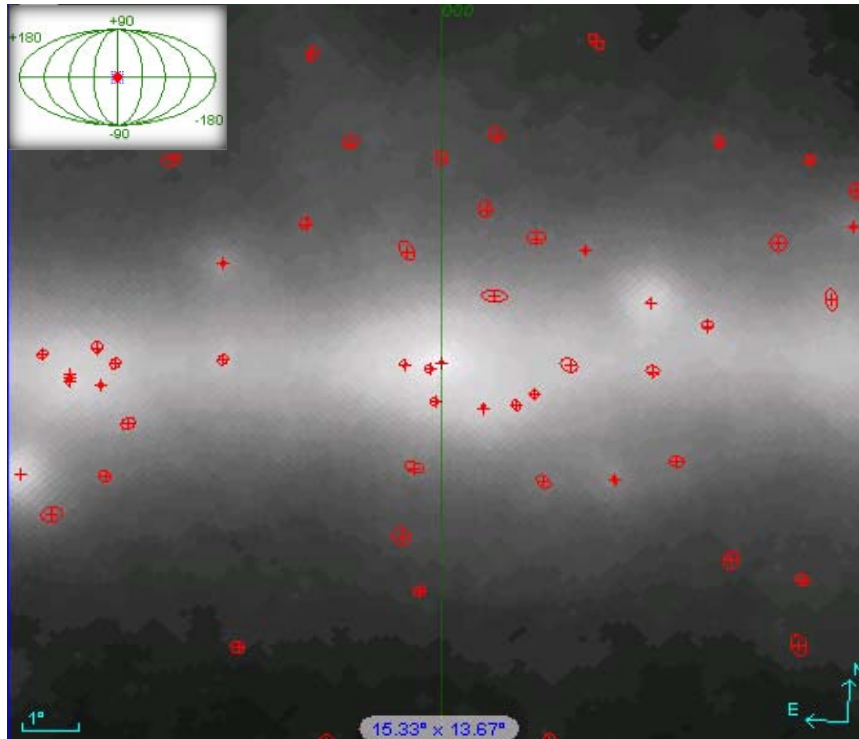
Type	Number
Spectra	7603
Diffuse normalization	3456
Location (2 per TS>16 source)	5096

Contributions for all energies, full sky

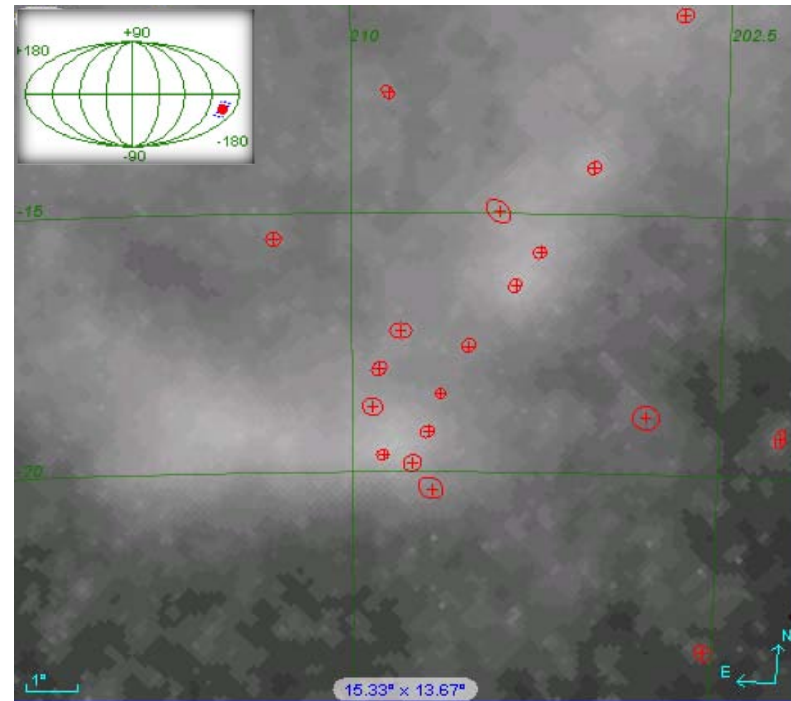


It is not all so rosy...

Most sources apparently associated with diffuse structures probably result from inadequate representation of the diffuse itself



Galactic center is complicated!
See talk by T. Porter



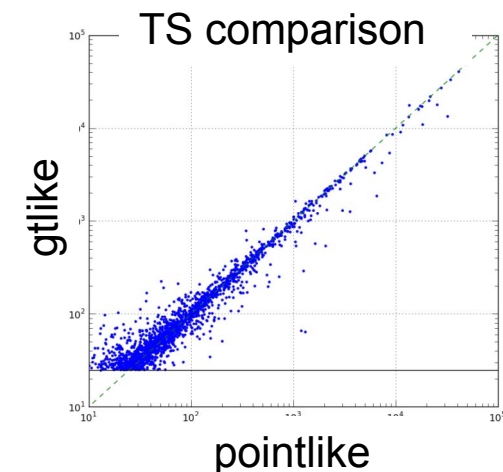
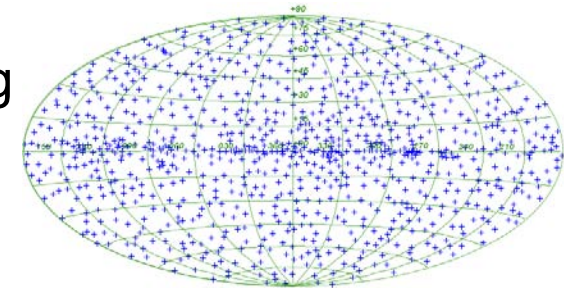
Orion molecular cloud: poster
by S. Digel & F. Giordano

2FGL process: Stage II

NEW

Use the standard tool *gtlike* in binned mode

- Accept all 3499 $TS > 10$ sources from stage I
 - Similar iterative scheme, but with 933 overlapping regions chosen to equalize number of sources
 - Refit spectra and diffuse normalization
 - Fit pulsars with exponential cutoff
 - Everything else with power law: try log parabola
 - Retain all with *gtlike* $TS > 25$ when generating model
- The *pointlike* fit and TS generally agree well, but some scatter for low values.
- Generate:
 - Table
 - spectral plots
 - light curves
 - associations



Discussion

- ❑ 277 1FGL sources are not represented. Recall that they were only used as seeds at the start of the new process
 - Some reasons:
 - New requirements for localization
 - Extended sources were represented by more than one point source
 - Improved galactic diffuse model
 - There, but not significant enough (flared during first 11 months)
 - Dominant effect is new fitting procedure: application of current procedure (especially now using binned vs. unbinned *gtlike*) to 1FGL accounts for nearly all.
- ❑ The 5 LAT pulsars that are not (DC) detected are put in ‘by hand’

Summary

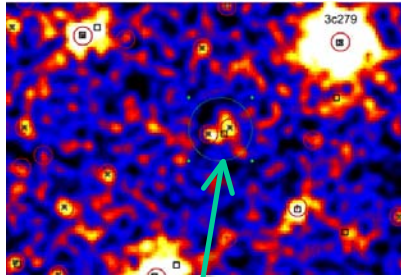
2FGL almost ready to go, with following features

- ❑ Much improved diffuse representation, new limb component
- ❑ ~1888 sources, vs. 1451 1134 for (revised)1FGL
- ❑ 12 extended sources
- ❑ Pulsars fit with exponential cutoff, others log parabola if appropriate
 - better characterization of sources, improved fits to nearby weaker sources
- ❑ Better source finding efficiency: both detecting faint sources and resolving nearby sources

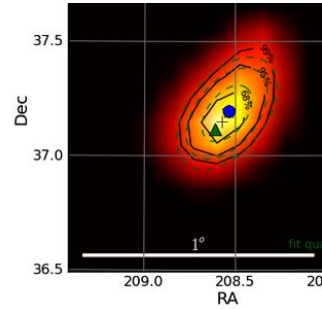
But: is not perfect, D. Thompson will next discuss caveats

Backup, or discarded for now

Checking for missing sources: PGWave

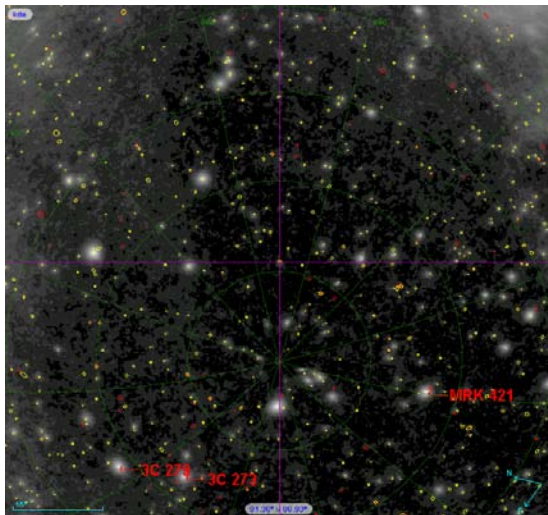
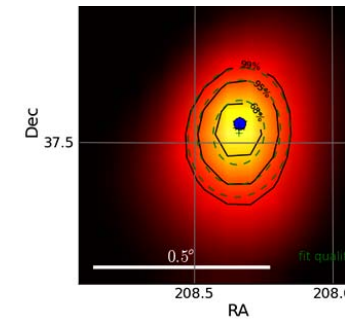
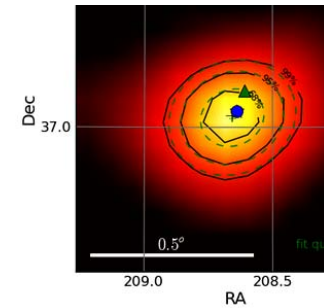


PGWave determines that this is two close sources

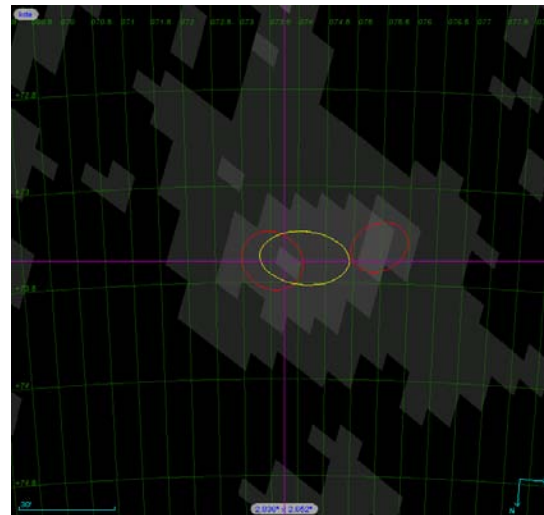


TS map is rather distorted

After split

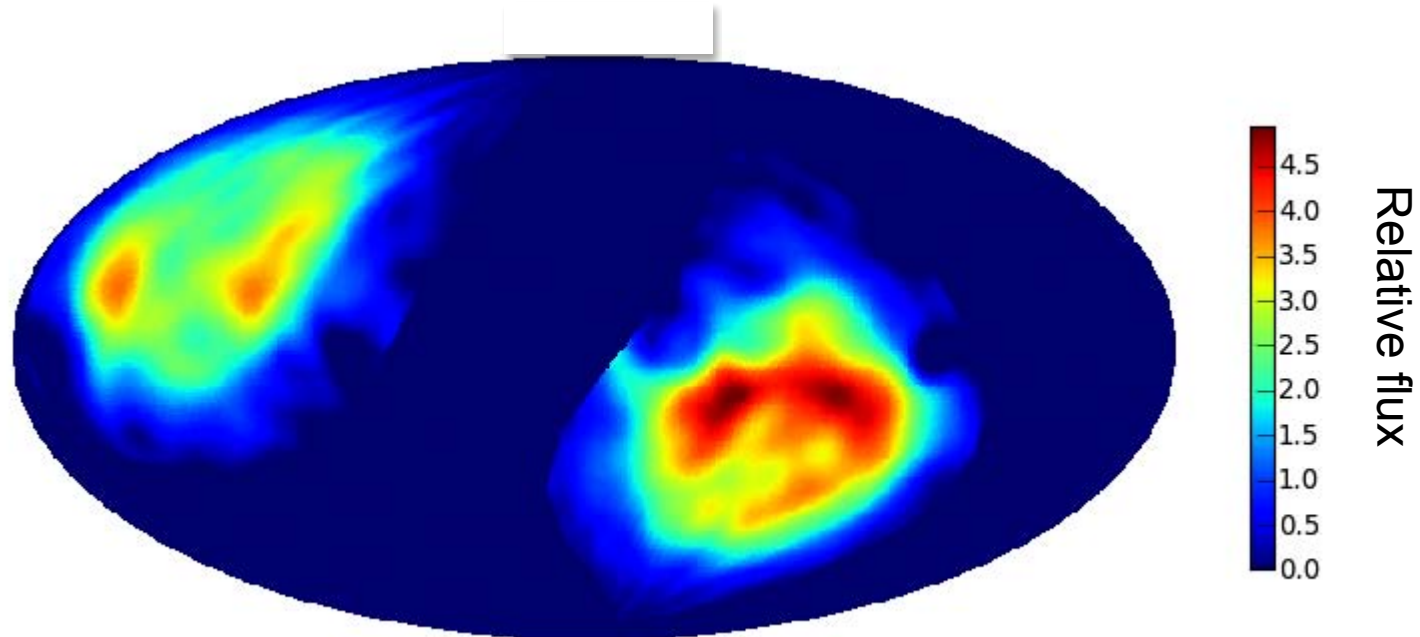


An overview of the territory



Blowup, showing before (yellow) and after (red).

Gamma rays from Earth limb in
tails of PSF



Required at celestial poles, low
energies only