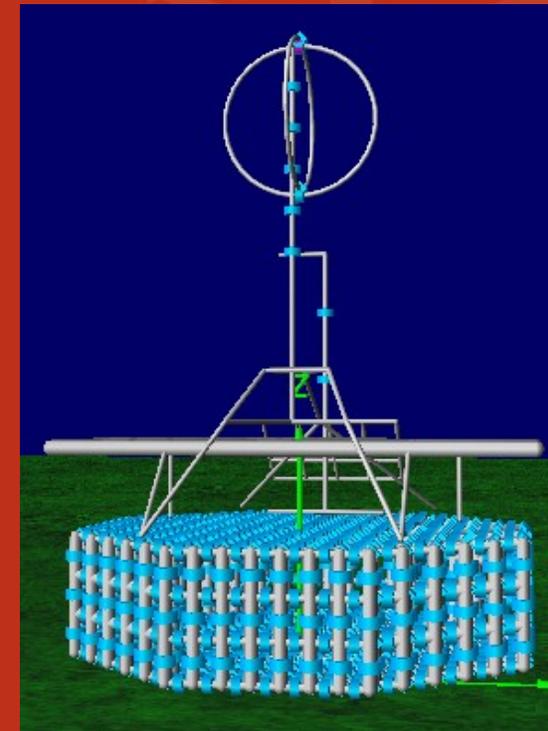
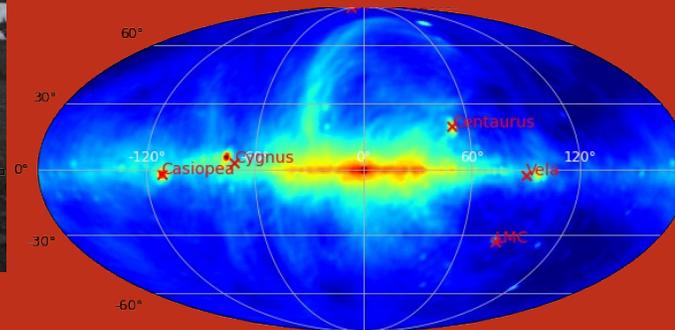




AugerPrime Radio Detector Antenna Uncertainty



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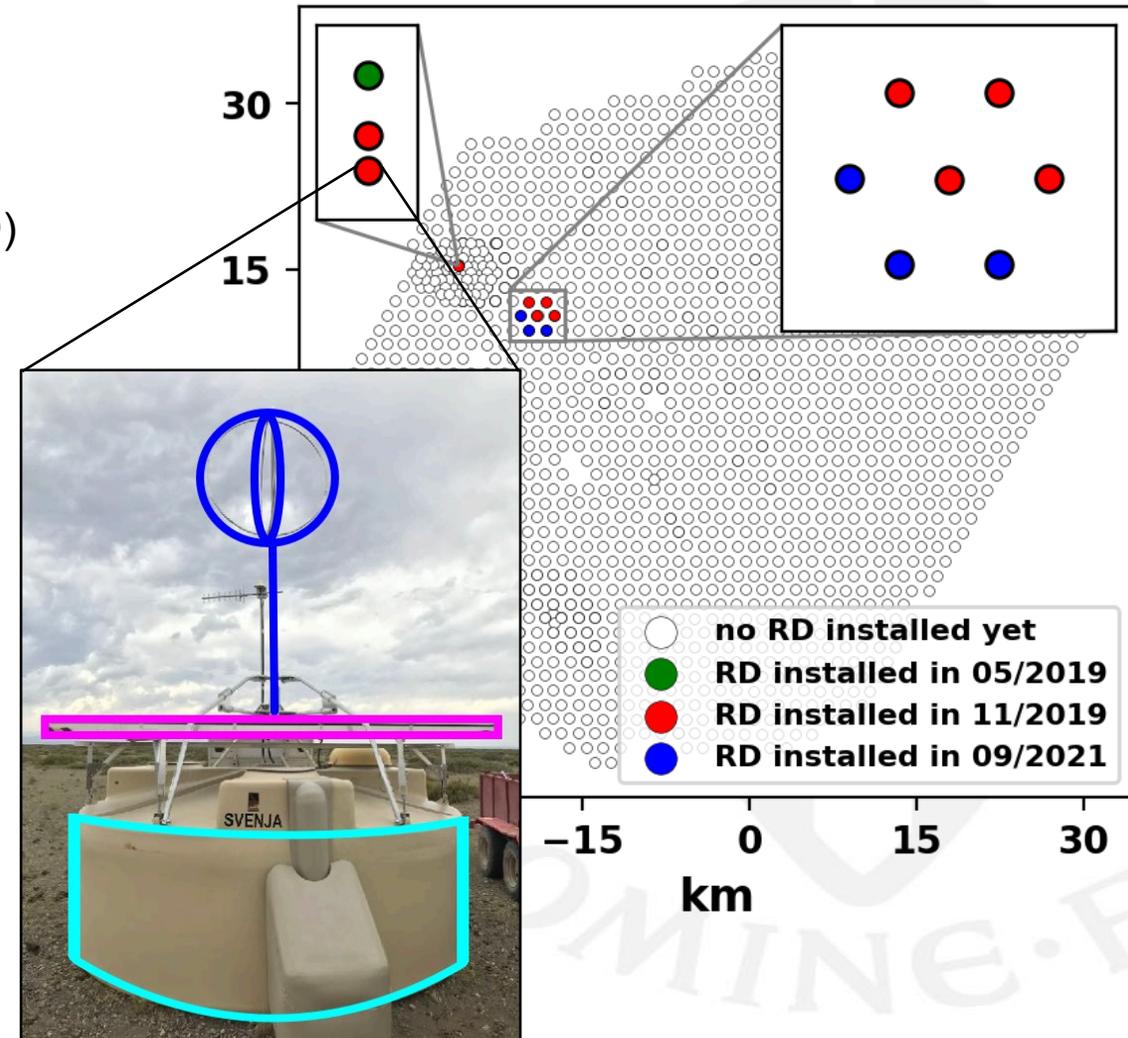


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Pierre Auger Observatory upgrade - AugerPrime

- **AugerPrime upgrade - the Surface Detector stations will get a:**
 - ✓ Radio Detector (RD) antenna
 - ✓ Surface scintillator detector (SSD)
 - ✓ Small photo-multiplier tube to the water-Cherenkov detector (WCD)
- **Main Goal:** Primary particle mass decomposition.
- **RD purpose:** electromagnetic energy measurements above 60° zenith angles.
- **Current status:** 10/1661 RD antennas are installed and ongoing mass production.
- **For technical details on RD see Julian Rautenberg's slides:** <https://indico.cern.ch/event/826366/contributions/4885838/>
- **For details on RD antenna pattern see Ugo Giaccari's slides:** <https://indico.cern.ch/event/826366/contributions/4880758/>
- **For expected performance of the RD see Felix Schlüter's slides:** <https://indico.cern.ch/event/826366/contributions/4880764/>

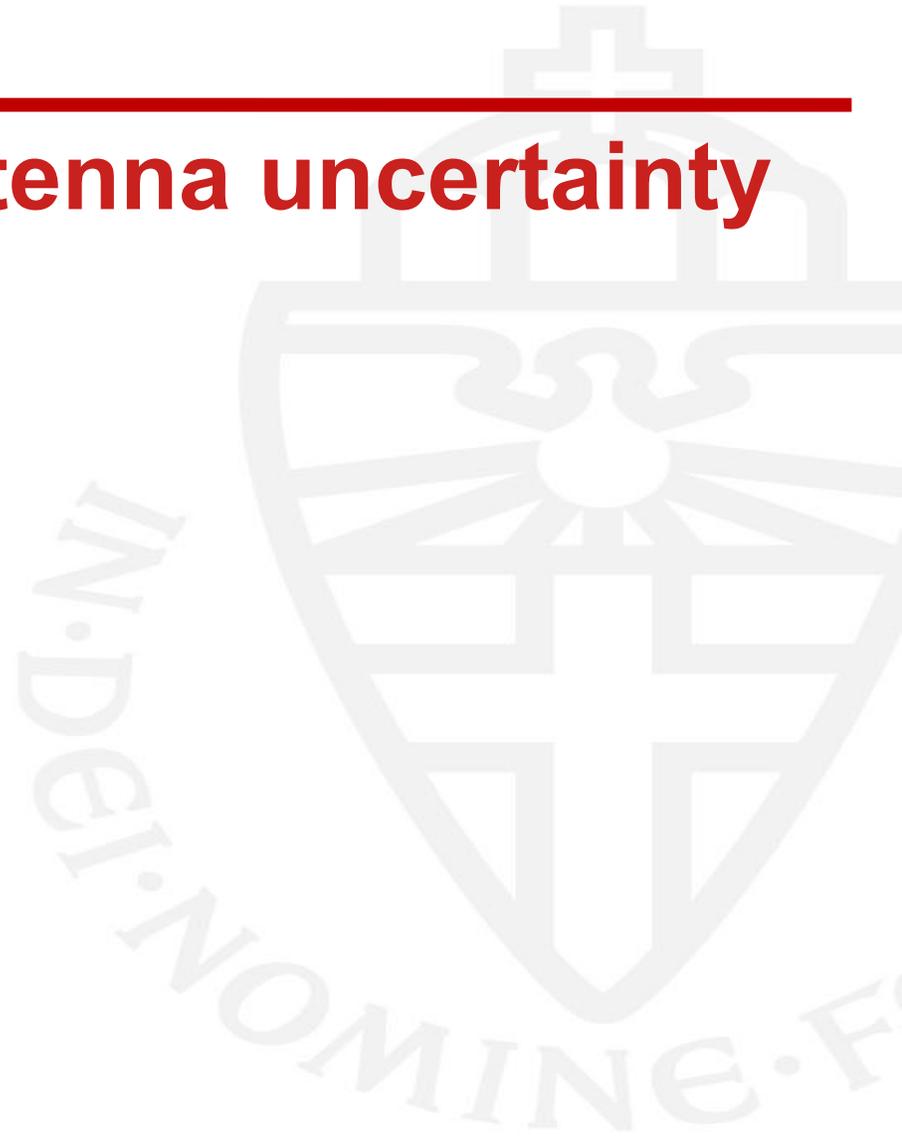


Upgraded SD station. The RD antenna is in blue, the SSD in pink, the WCD is turquoise

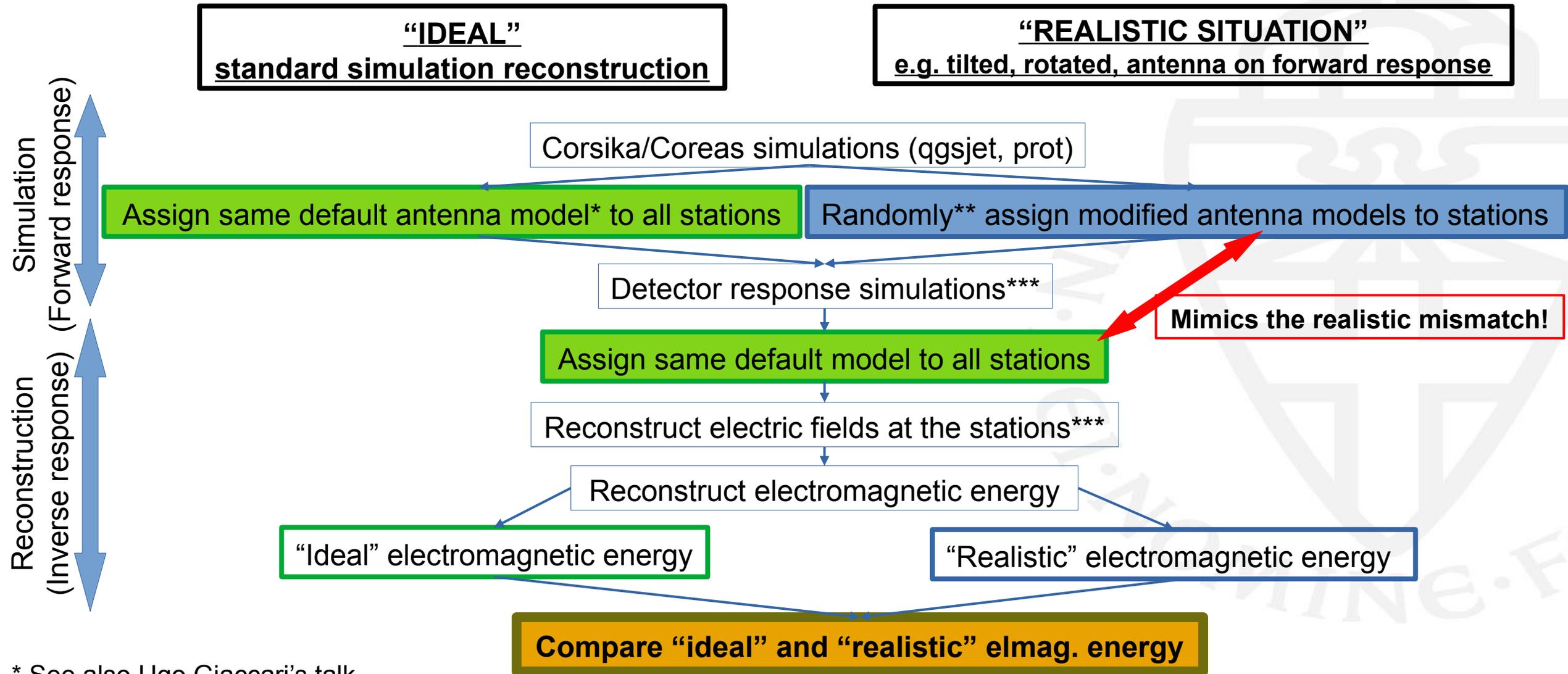
AugerPrime Radio Detector uncertainty

- **Event-to-event reconstruction antenna uncertainty**
 - Mismatch between the antenna model and the real construction.
 - How to objectively quantify propagated effect of this mismatch to the reconstructed electromagnetic energy?
- **Absolute antenna uncertainty**
 - Calibration using the Galactic radio emission.
 - Calibration depends on choice of radio sky map, antenna model and fitting method.

Event-to-event reconstruction antenna uncertainty



Event-to-event reconstruction antenna uncertainty - Method



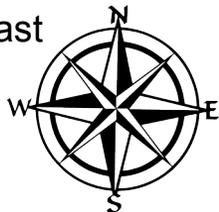
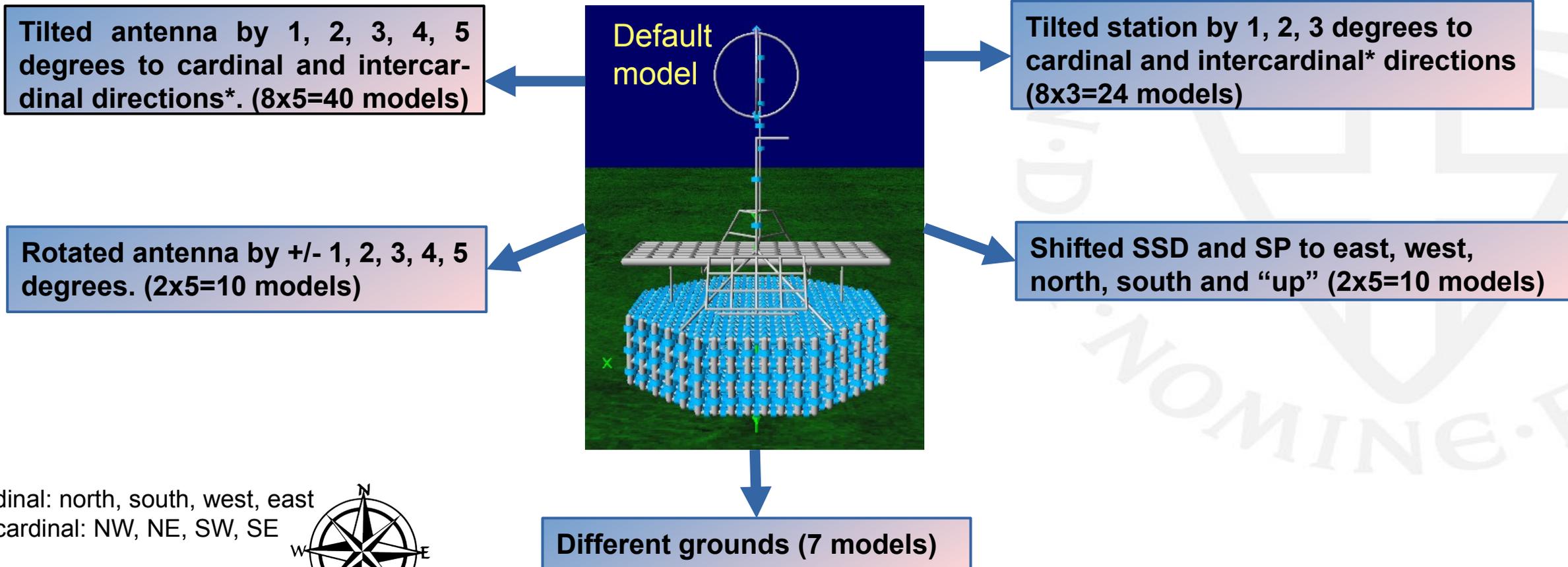
* See also Ugo Giaccari’s talk

** 5 different random seeds are used each time

*** MC shower direction is always used!

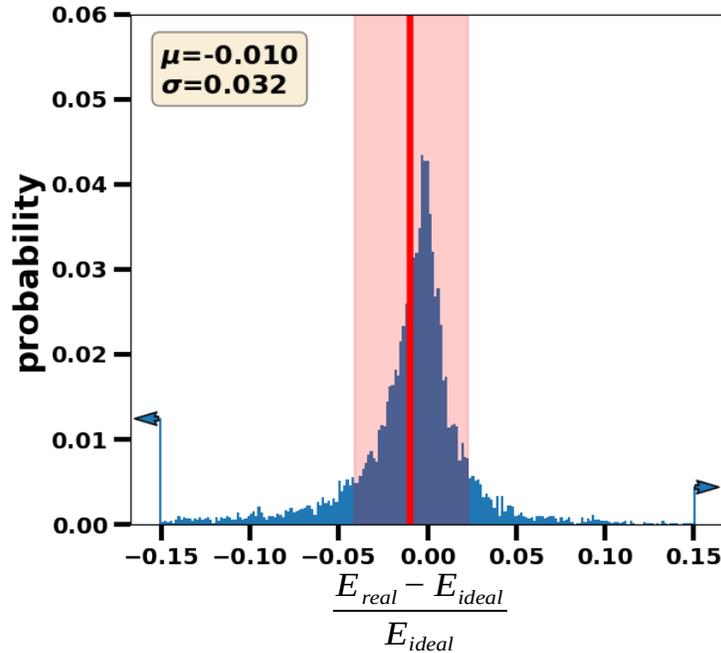
Antenna Model modifications

- In total 91 modified antenna models were produced.
- Different random seeds were used to generate arrays with modified models.
- The following modified models were used:

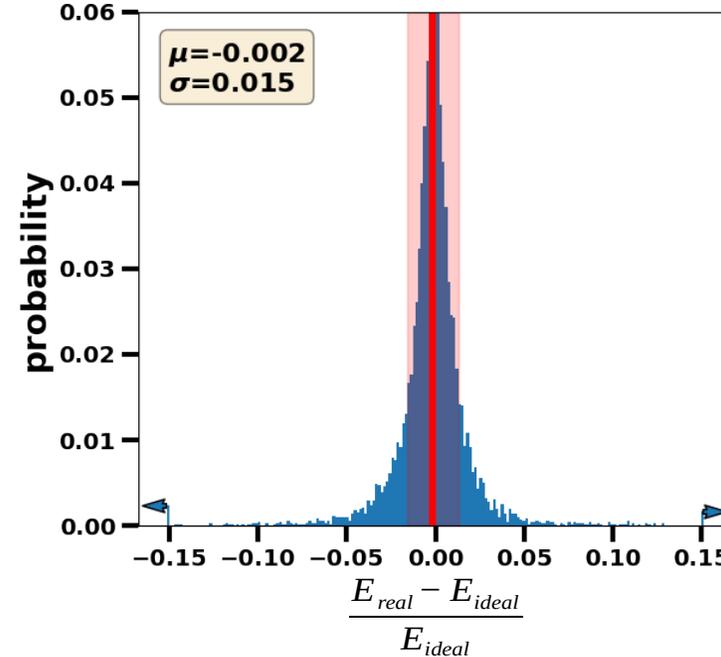


Results – arrays with variously modified models

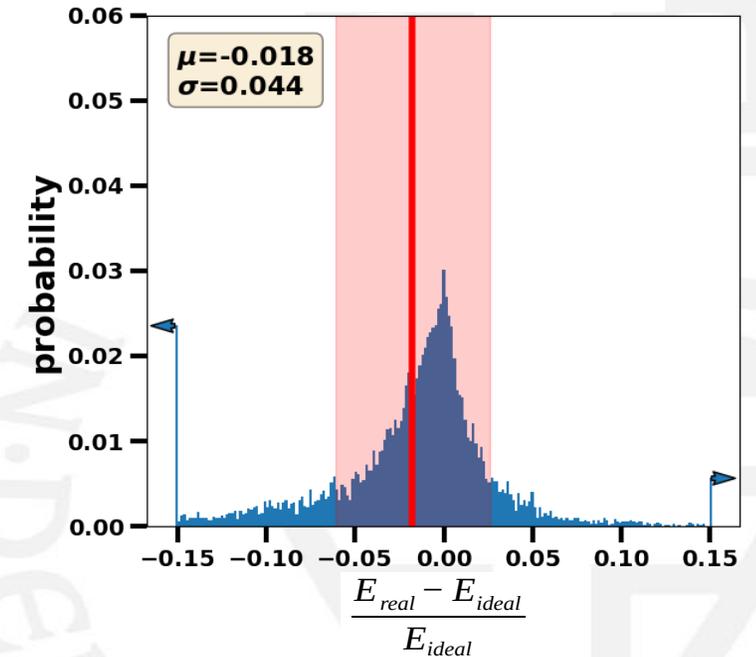
All modified models are used



Only models with modified geometry



Only modified with changed ground



- Histograms indicate differences of reconstructed electromagnetic energy between arrays with forward:default \leftrightarrow inverse:default and forward:modified \leftrightarrow inverse:default models.
- Ground ($\sim 4\%$ uncertainty) seem to be more important factor than the geometry ($< 2\%$ uncertainty)
- With increasing zenith angle, the uncertainty caused by deviated geometry becomes smaller.
- Very conservatively, the error caused by the antenna modeling should not be bigger than 5%.

Absolute antenna uncertainty



Absolute galactic calibration – method & results

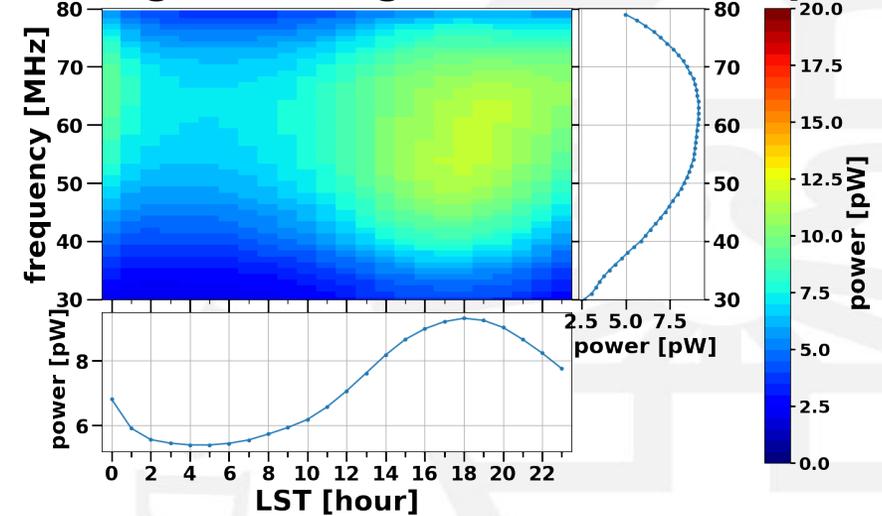
Method

- 1) Simulate galactic signal seen by the radio station using the galactic map, antenna model and measured HW response
 - 2) Fit the simulated galactic signal with the measured noise to derive the calibration constant
(for details on the fitting methods see Rogério Menezes de Almeida's slides: <https://indico.cern.ch/event/826366/contributions/4877946/>)
- We used 5 different maps, 17 different antenna models and 4 different fitting methods; this gives in total 340 constants which we then smeared by the underlying uncertainty of the map

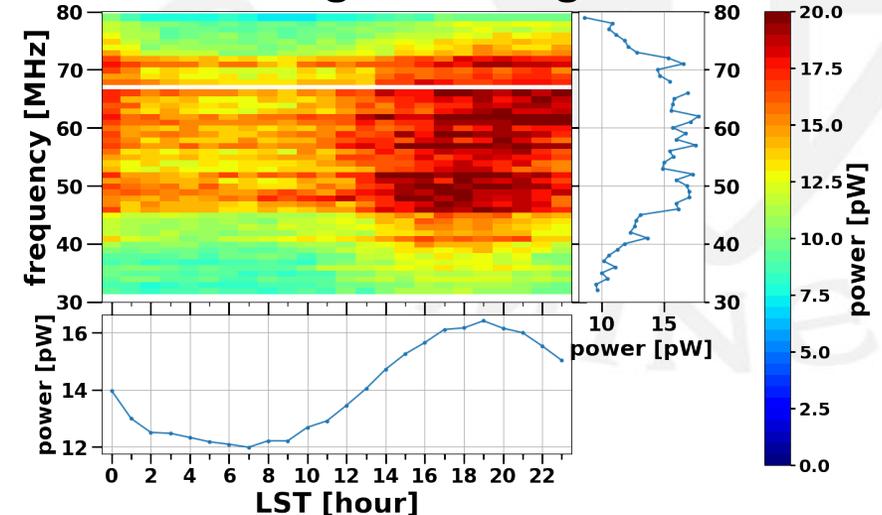
Results

- EW calibration constant: $1.03 \pm 9.6\% \pm 2\%$
- NS calibration constant: $0.96 \pm 9.7\% \pm 2\%$
- Uncertainty caused by the Antenna model: max 1.5%
- For more details see this proceeding: <https://pos.sissa.it/395/>

Simulated galactic signal in the EW loop

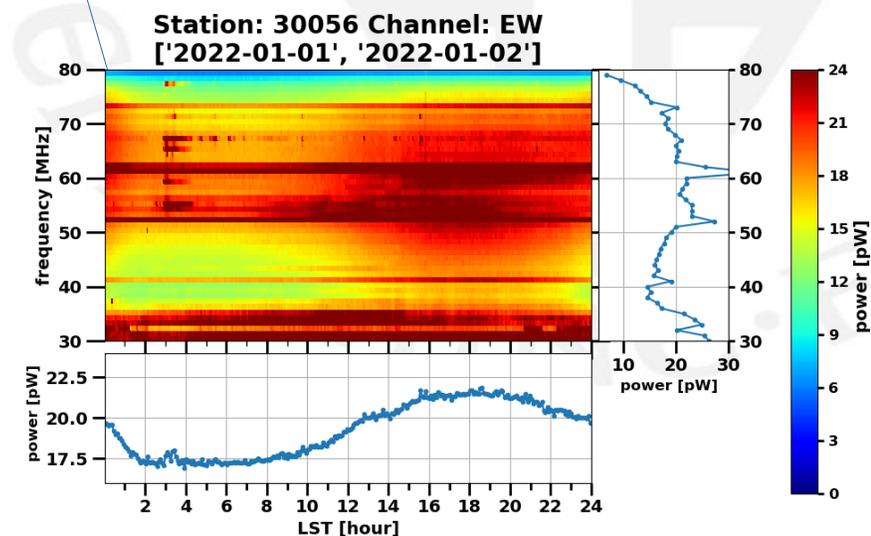
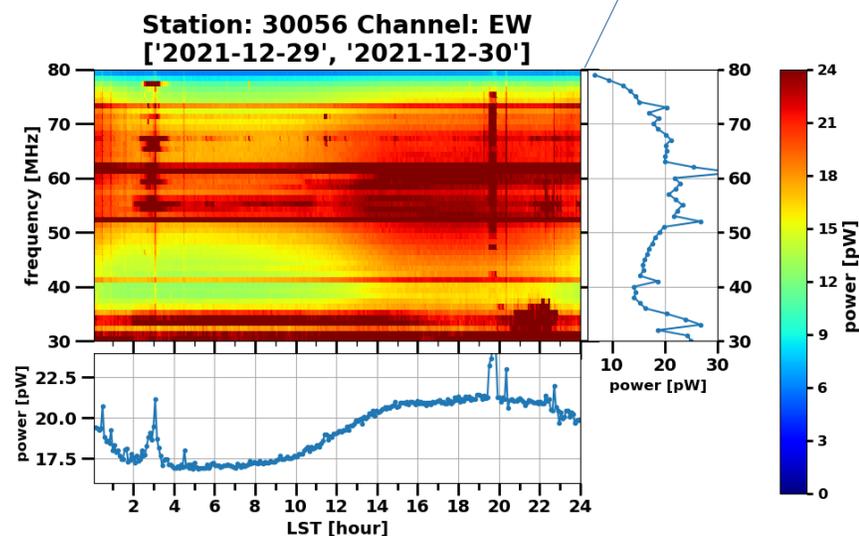
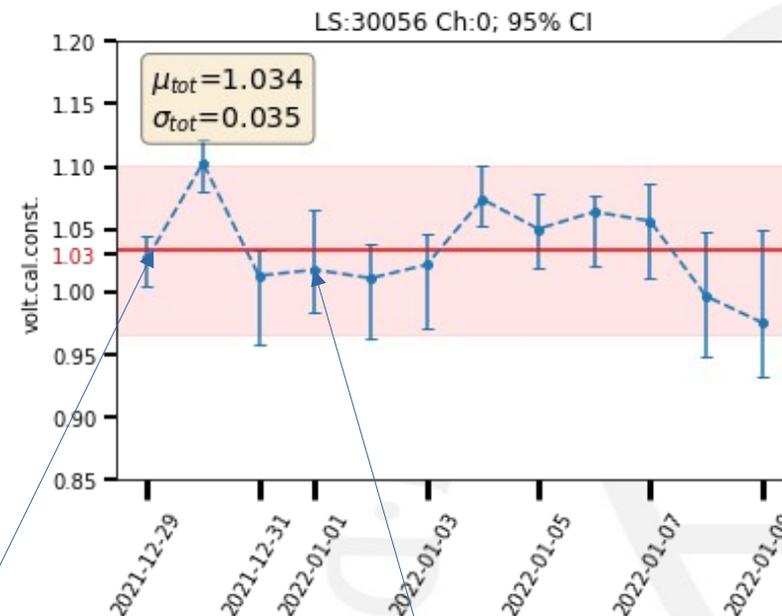


Measured noise & galactic signal in the EW loop

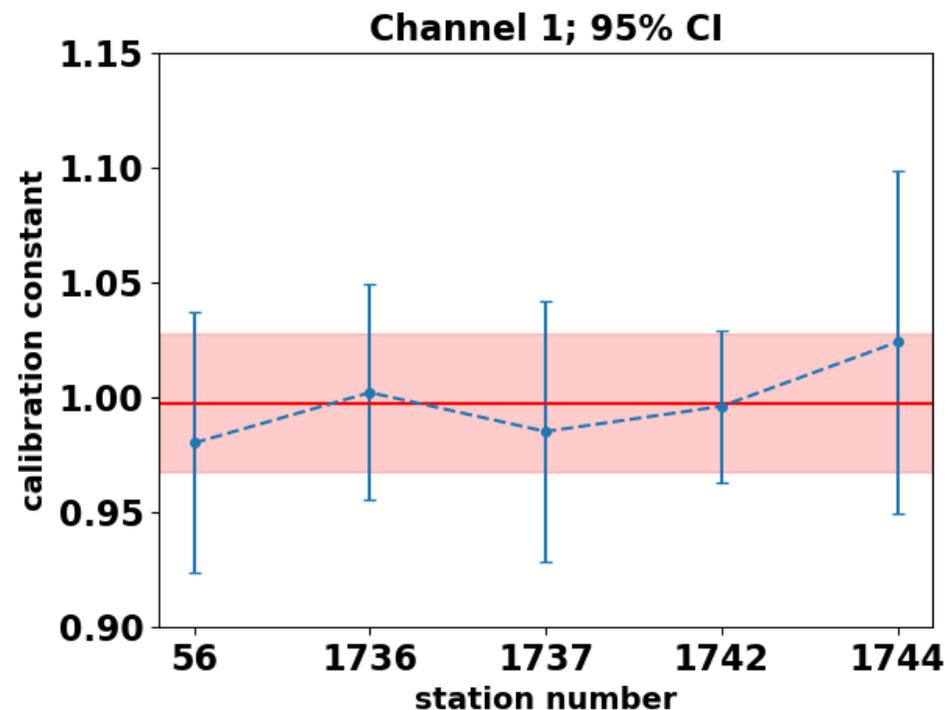
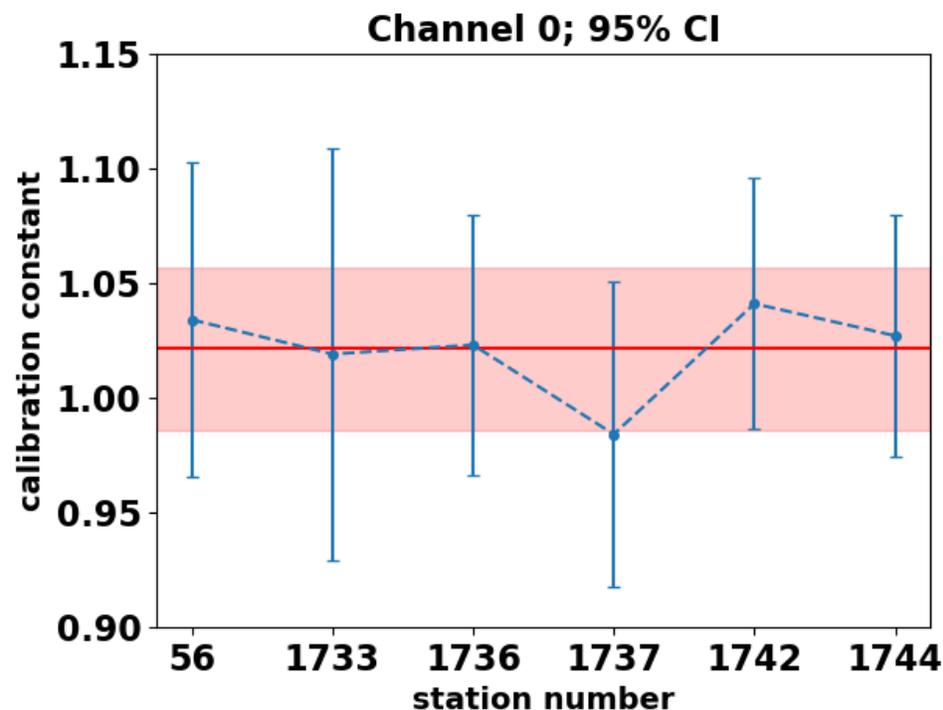


Towards the Daily Absolute Galactic calibration

- Online rapid spectra averaging done directly in the FPGA (Field Programmable Gate Arrays)
- Every 5 minutes thousands of spectra are averaged
- Daily datasets are still better in compare to what we had after 4 months with triggered data.
- Data are suitable for a daily calibration.



Station-to-station fluctuations



- Here we averaged the daily stations calibration constants (12 days)
- Red horizontal line is average calibration constant of all stations
- All stations are within the 95% confidence interval
- No outliers

Conclusion

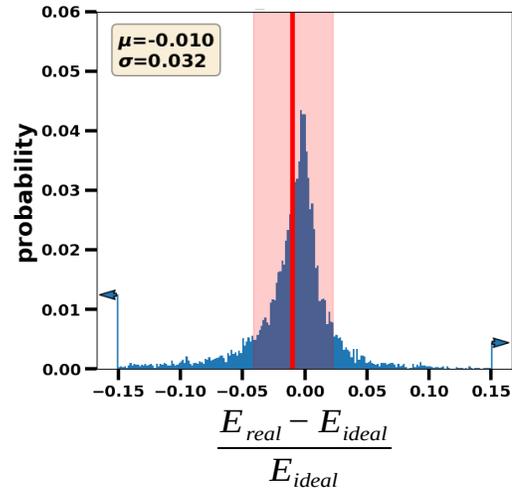
- ✓ **Ground is the most significant factor in the modeling (~4% deviation)**
- ✓ **Geometric antenna uncertainties are less relevant than ground (<2% deviation)**
- ✓ **Geometric antenna uncertainties decrease with increasing zenith angle**
- ✓ **Very conservatively, the uncertainty caused by the antenna modeling should not be bigger than 5%.**
- ✓ **In the absolute galactic calibration, the antenna model causes an uncertainty of less than 1.5%.**
- ✓ **Daily galactic calibration looks promising; double use: both as a calibration tool and as a monitoring tool.**

BACKUP

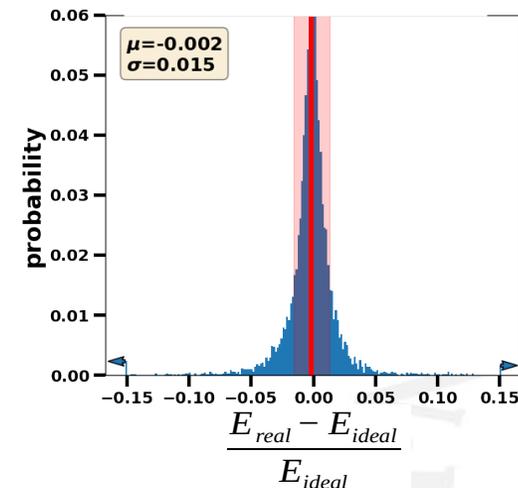
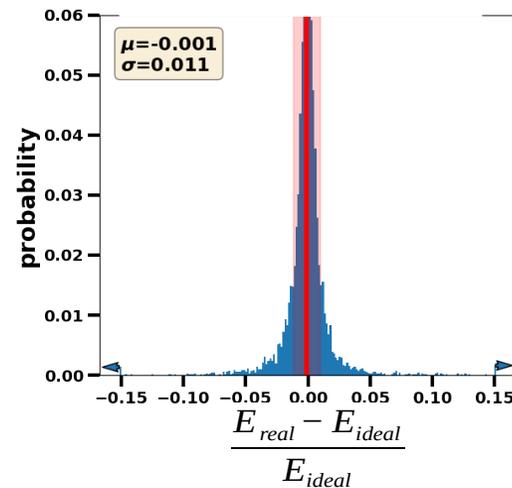


Results – arrays with variously modified models

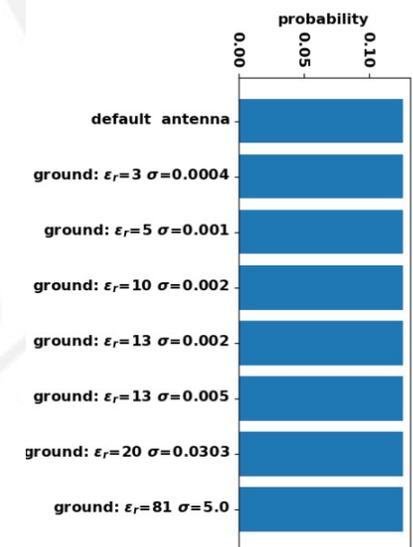
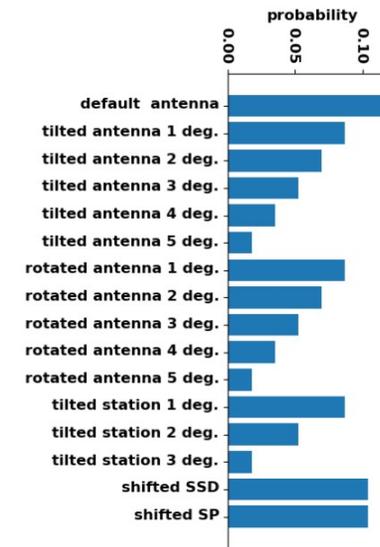
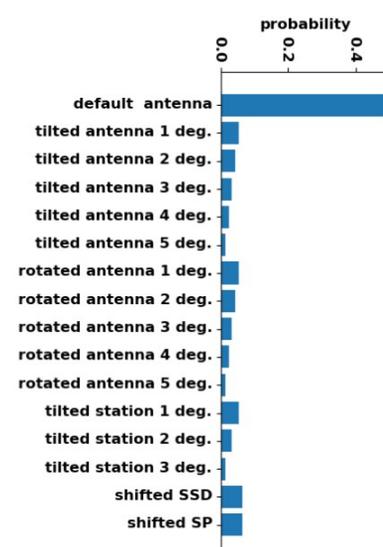
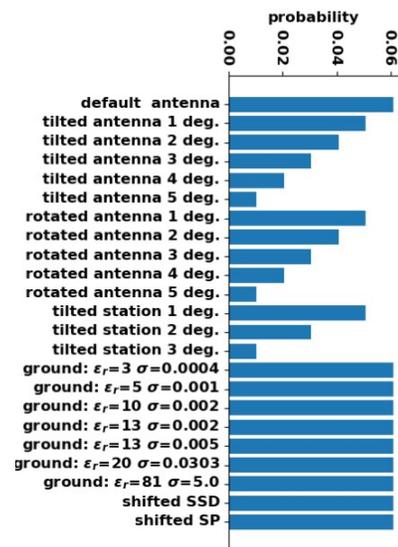
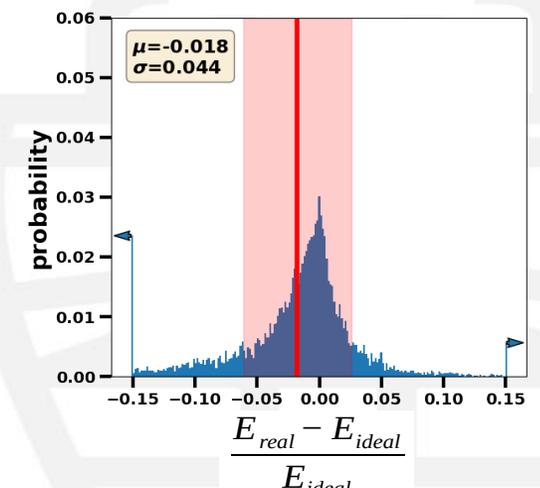
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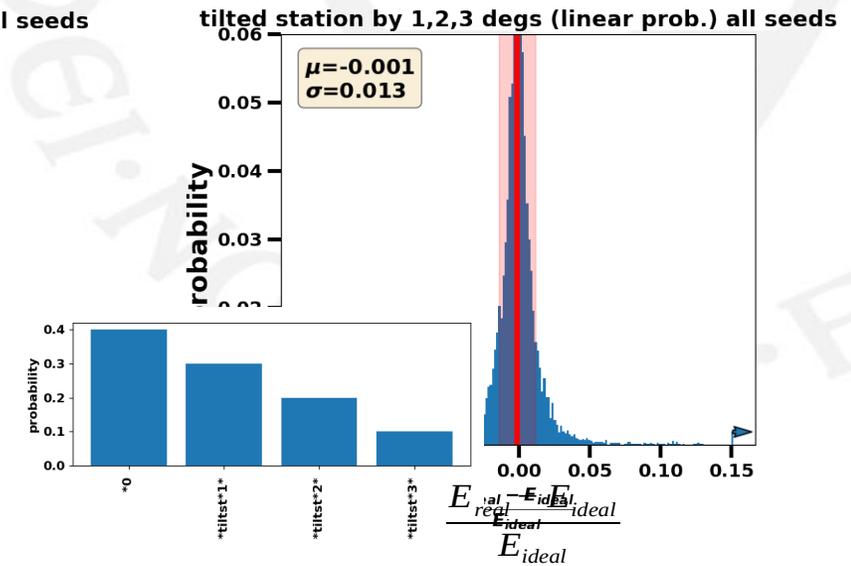
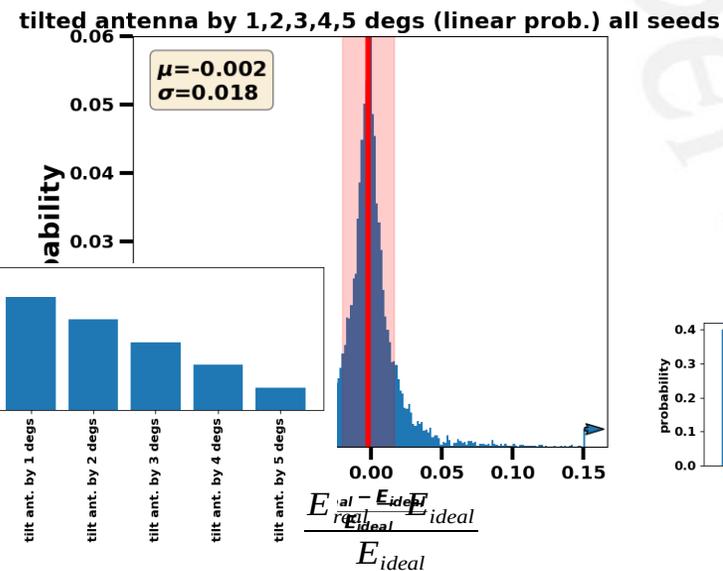
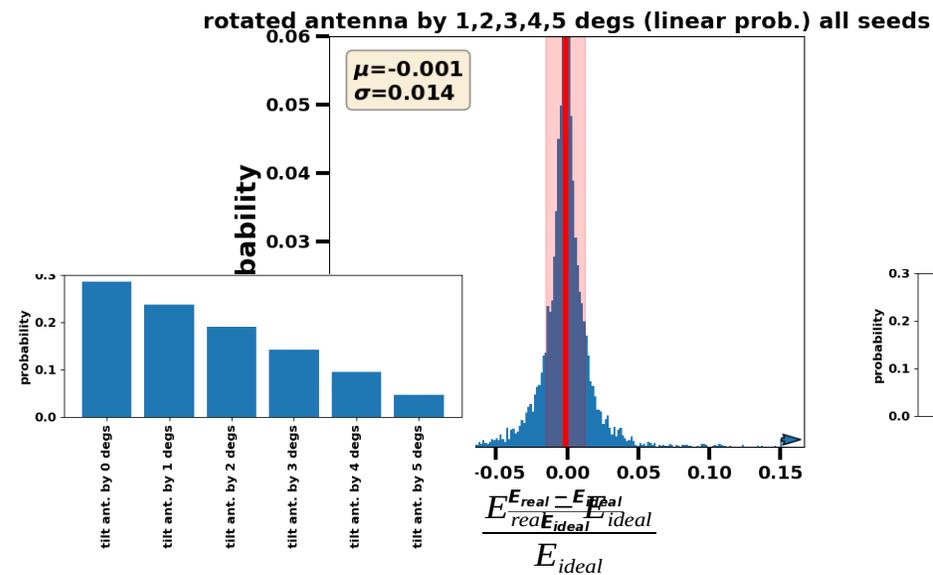
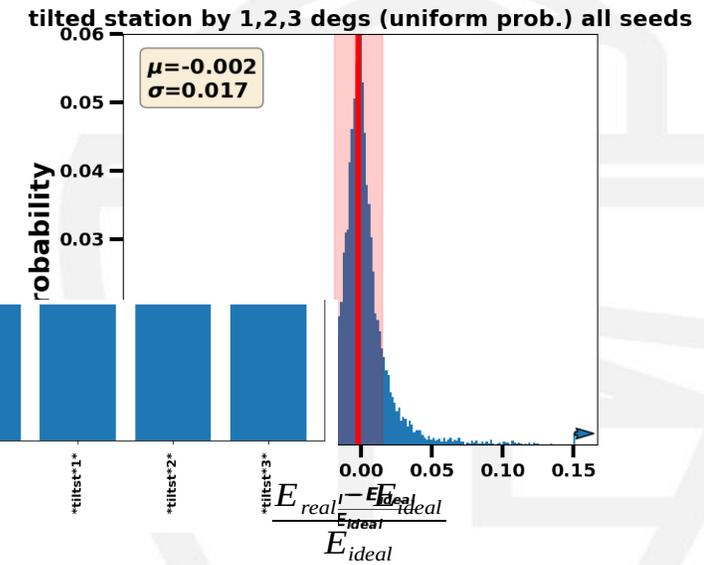
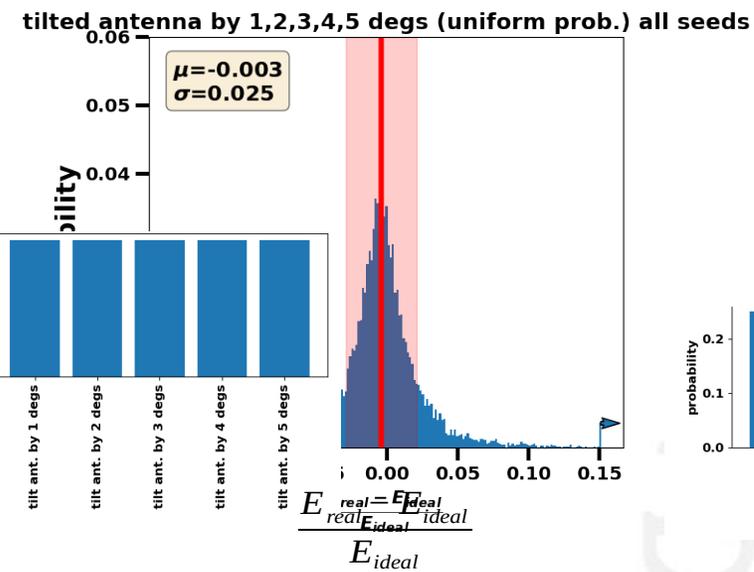
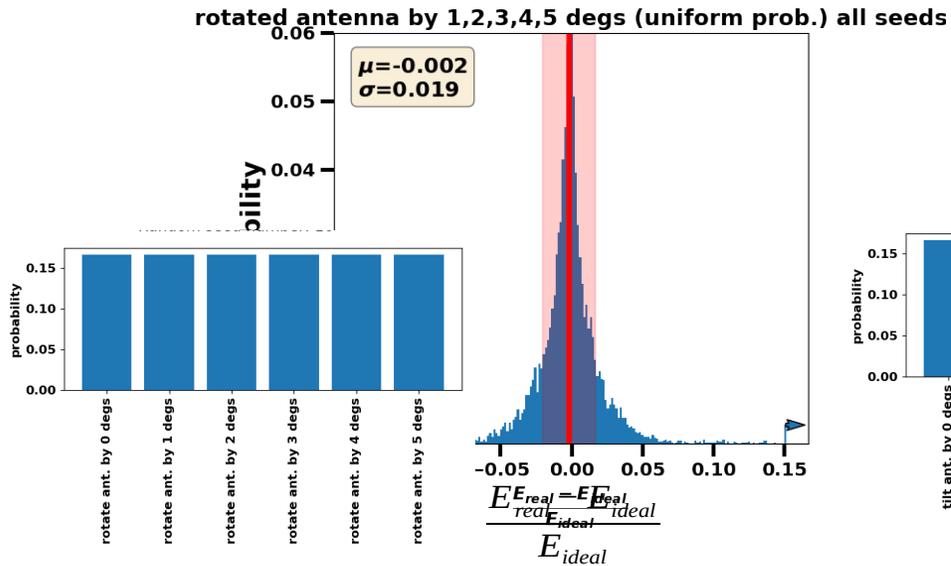
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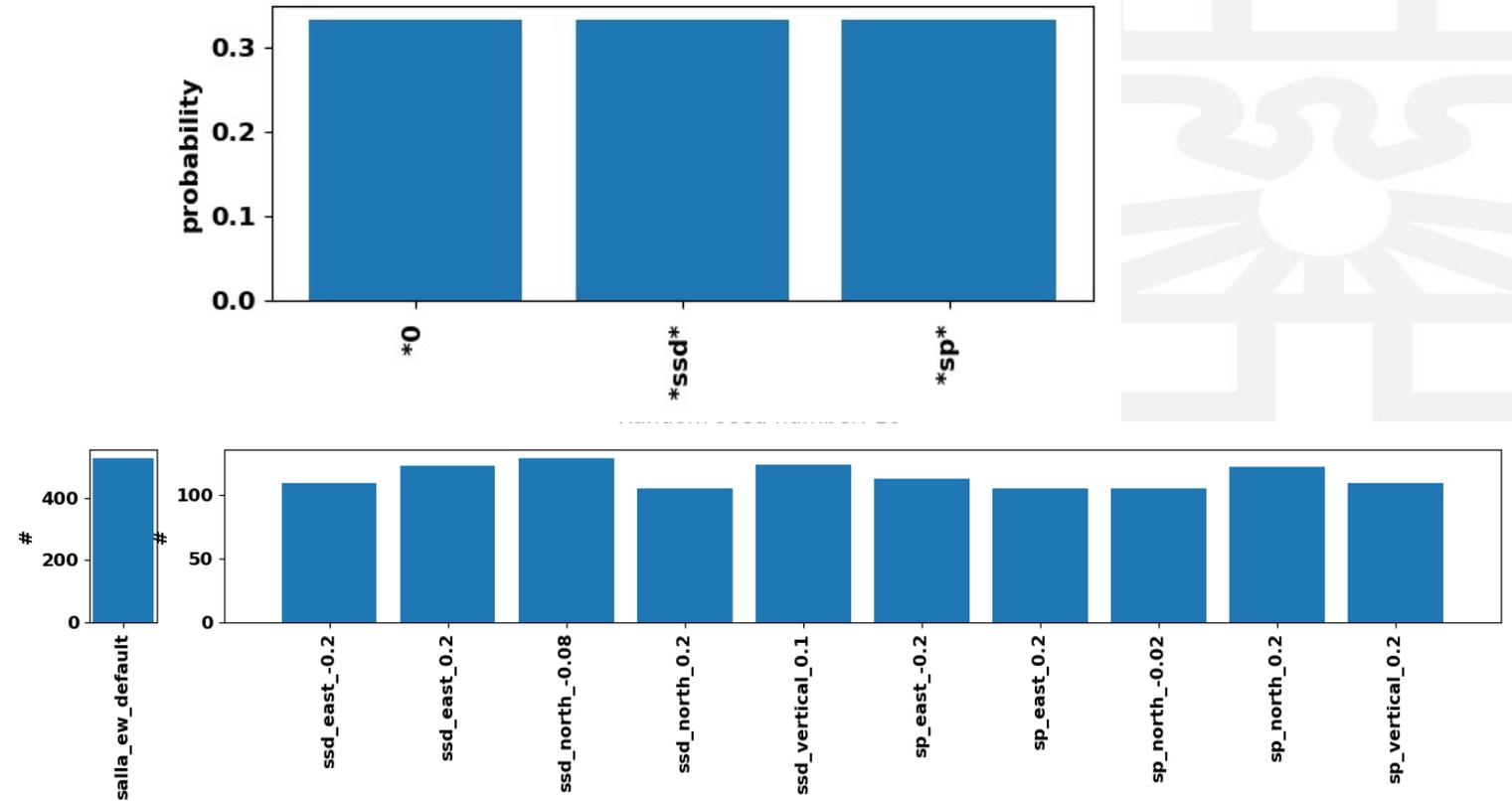
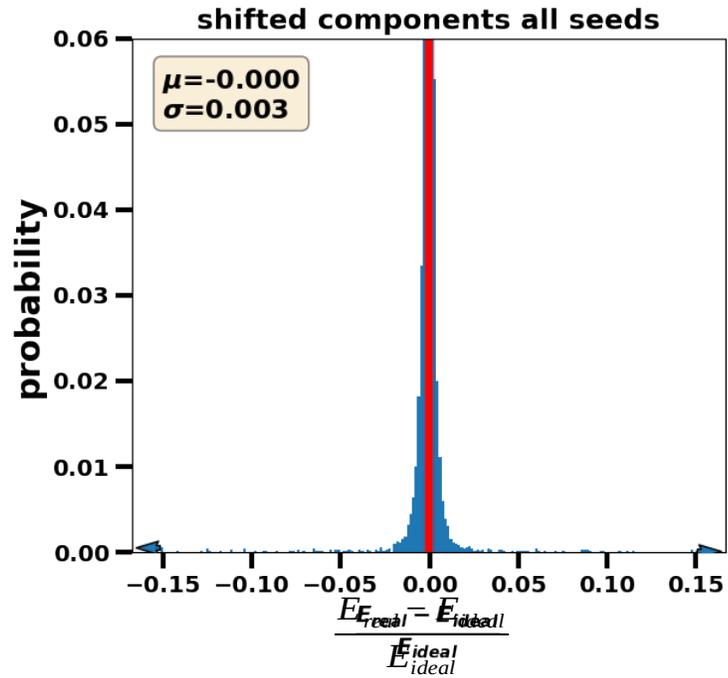
Only modified ground



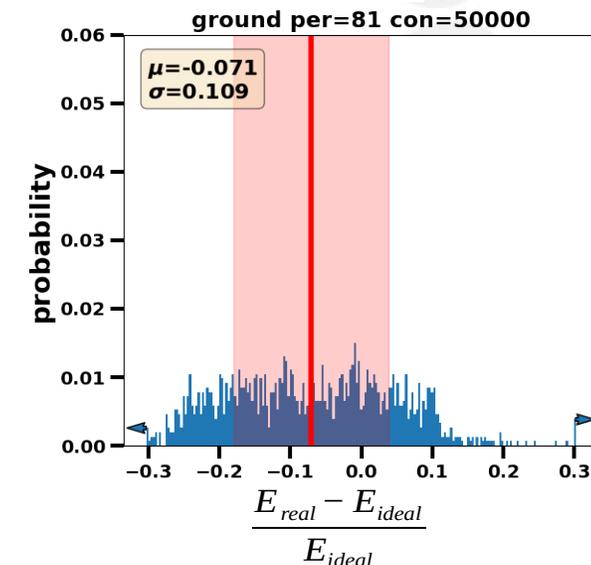
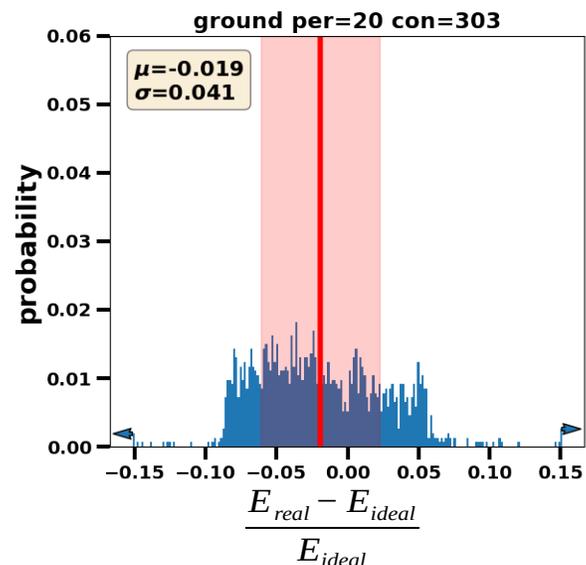
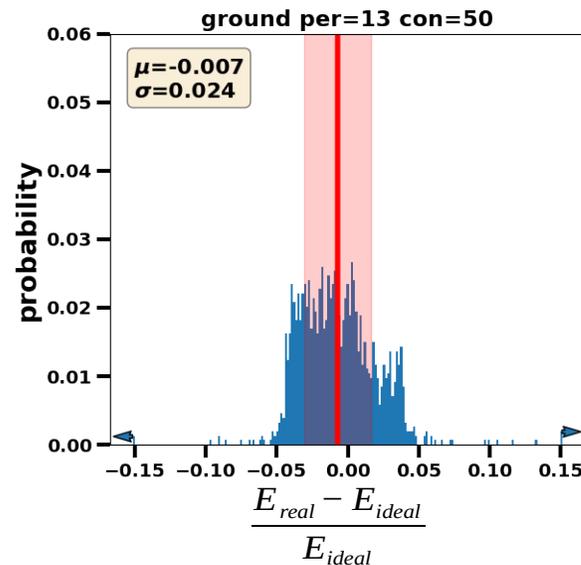
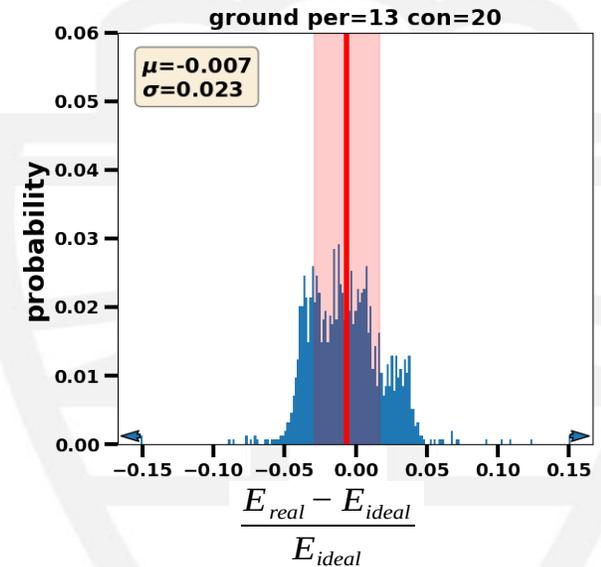
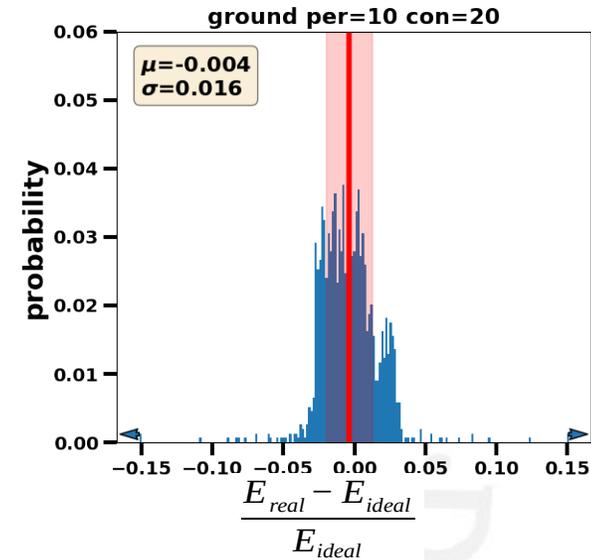
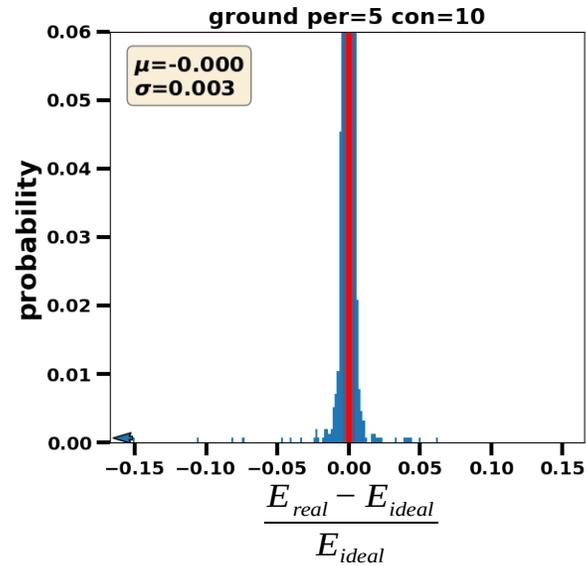
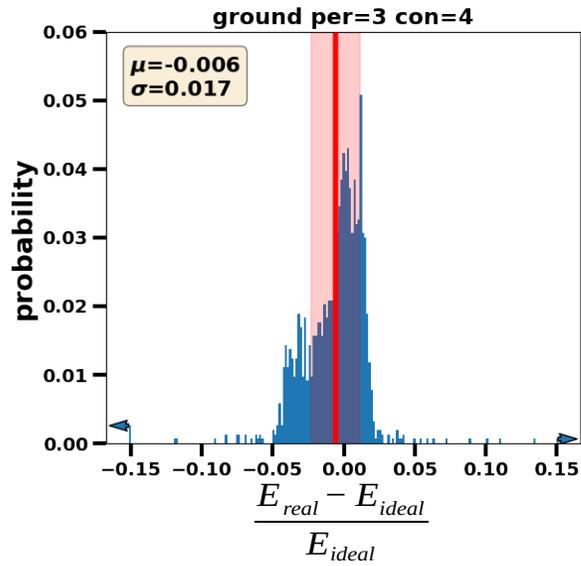
More Results – Modified geometry



Shifted components



Modified grounds



*Default model:
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** con is in EC unit,
to convert to S/m divide
by 10000

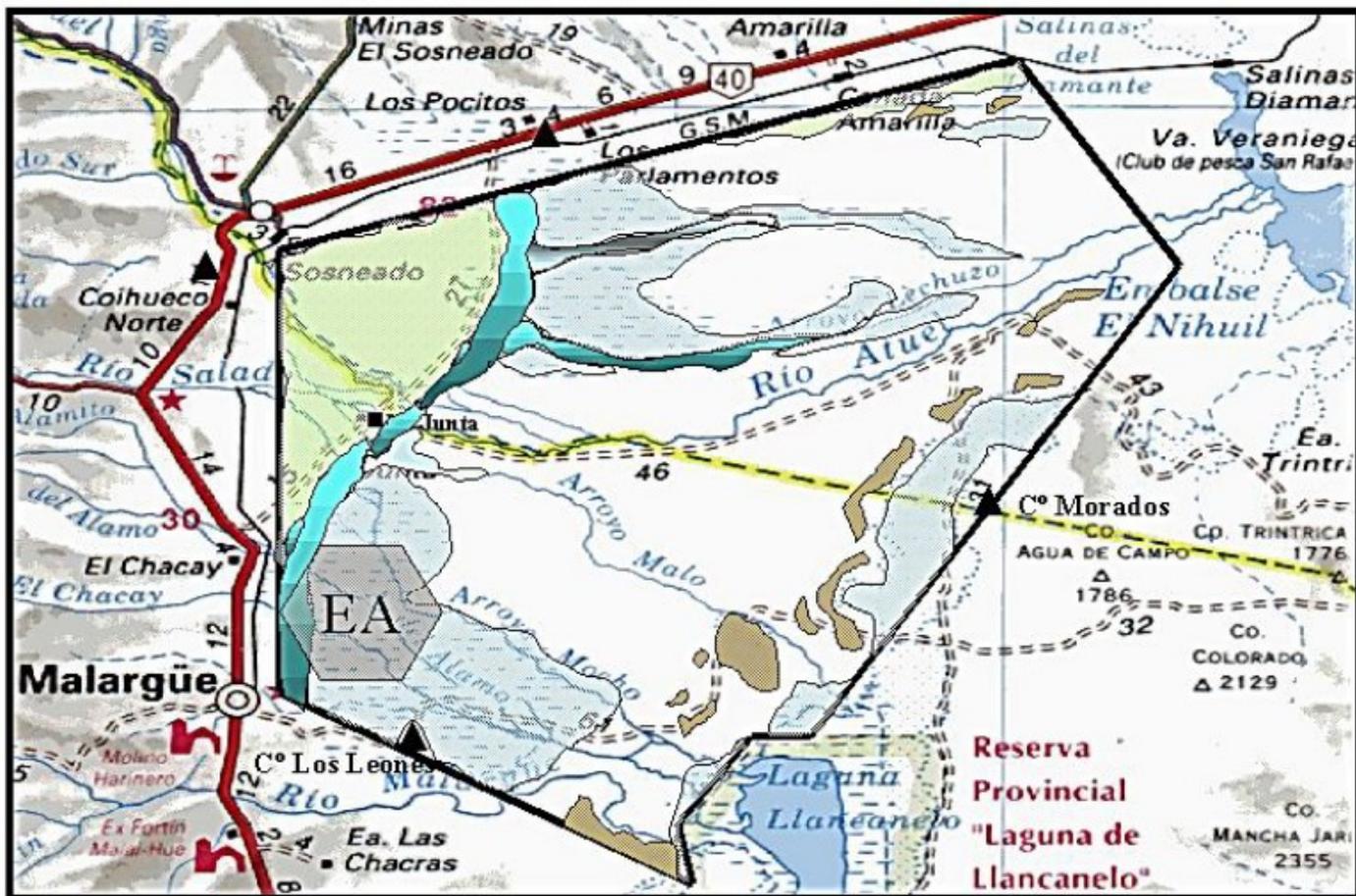
Results of other cases

| | <i>all modified models</i> | <i>all modified geometries (48% default model)</i> | <i>all modified geometries (12% default model)</i> | <i>only modified ground</i> | <i>tilted antenna (linearly decaying probability)</i> | <i>tilted antenna (uniform probability)</i> | <i>rotated antenna (linearly decaying probability)</i> | <i>rotated antenna (uniform probability)</i> | <i>tilted station (linearly decaying probability)</i> | <i>tilted station (uniform probability)</i> | <i>shifted components (uniform probability)</i> |
|---|----------------------------|--|--|-----------------------------|---|---|--|--|---|---|---|
| Median | -0.0047 | -0.0003 | -0.0011 | -0.0092 | -0.0016 | -0.0039 | -0.0007 | -0.0017 | -0.0008 | -0.0015 | -0.0003 |
| Mean | -0.0085 | -0.0002 | -0.0006 | -0.0163 | -0.0007 | -0.002 | -0.0008 | -0.0007 | 0.0002 | -0.0015 | -0.0002 |
| Standard deviation (STD) | 0.0641 | 0.0374 | 0.0552 | 0.0836 | 0.0537 | 0.0674 | 0.0381 | 0.0497 | 0.0562 | 0.0343 | 0.0284 |
| Truncated Mean (1st-99th percentile) | -0.0096 | -0.0009 | -0.0015 | -0.0176 | -0.0017 | -0.0035 | -0.0014 | -0.0019 | -0.001 | -0.0016 | -0.0004 |
| Truncated STD (1st-99th percentile) | 0.0318 | 0.0109 | 0.0146 | 0.0436 | 0.0183 | 0.025 | 0.0137 | 0.0185 | 0.0127 | 0.0168 | 0.0029 |
| Mean (within +/- 0.15) | -0.0085 | -0.0008 | -0.0015 | -0.0149 | -0.0016 | -0.0035 | -0.0013 | -0.0019 | -0.001 | -0.0014 | -0.0005 |
| Standard deviation (within +/- 0.15) | 0.0323 | 0.015 | 0.0186 | 0.0413 | 0.0221 | 0.0281 | 0.0177 | 0.0225 | 0.017 | 0.0204 | 0.0088 |

- The geometry can result mostly in <2% deviation, ground in ~4%
- Very conservatively, the error caused by the antenna modeling should not be bigger than 5%.

Sketch of the site soils distributions

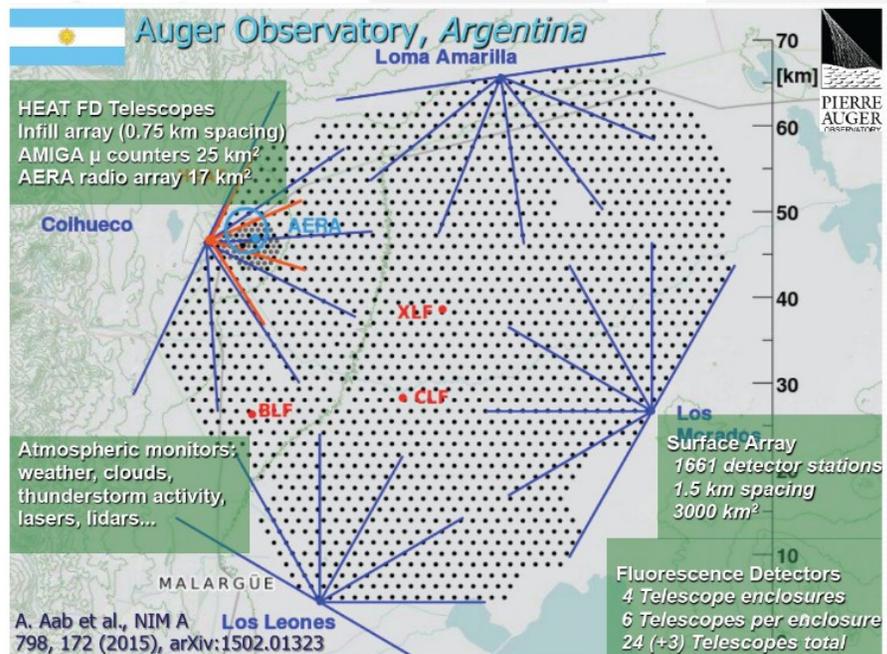
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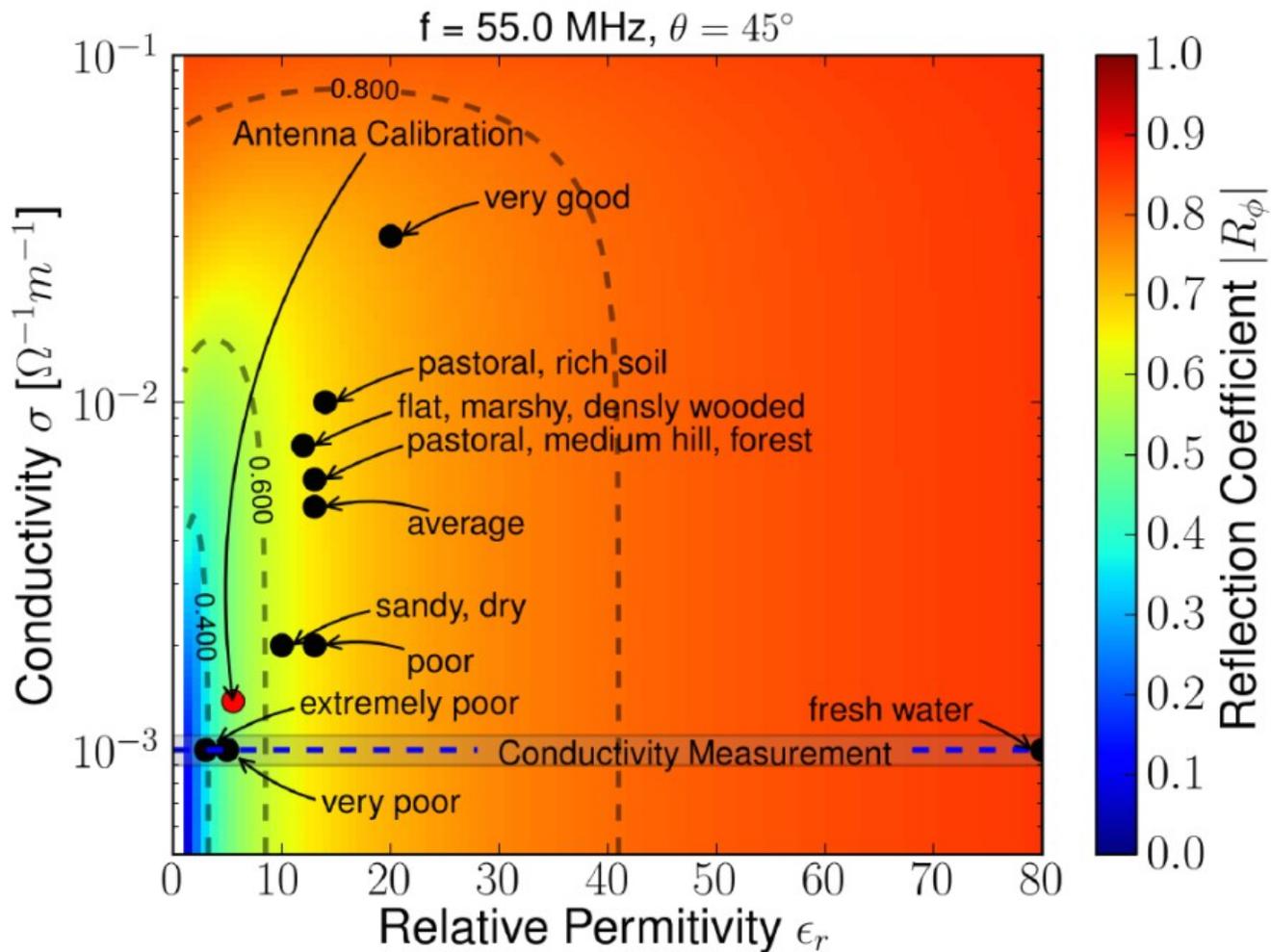
By Juan Carlos Meza

- | | | |
|---|--------------------------------|--|
|  | Fine grained sand. | Dunes (frequently not linked one another) resting on silty soils, scarce vegetation. |
|  | } Silty with clay | Boggy lands with small lagoons in winter, dense bushes "cortaderas". |
|  | | Dry and soft soils, scarcely bushed area (mainly without thorns), difficult to pass after rain/snow. |
|  | | Wet and salty soils, not passable after heavy rains and hydrological rich years. |
|  | Mainly gravel and sand. | Alluvial cones and alluvial terrace, passable all year (bushes with dangerous thorns). |

10MAS FOR ALL



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lower left region of Fig. 7.6, corresponding to the extremely dry and sandy ground at AERA. Soil measurements performed at the AERA site indicate a relatively low conductivity of $\sigma = (1 \pm 0.1) \cdot 10^{-3} [\Omega^{-1}m^{-1}]$ [157]. We chose for antenna simulations associated with the AERA site values of $\sigma = (1.38) \cdot 10^{-3} [\Omega^{-1}m^{-1}]$ and $\epsilon_r = 5.5$. 20/12

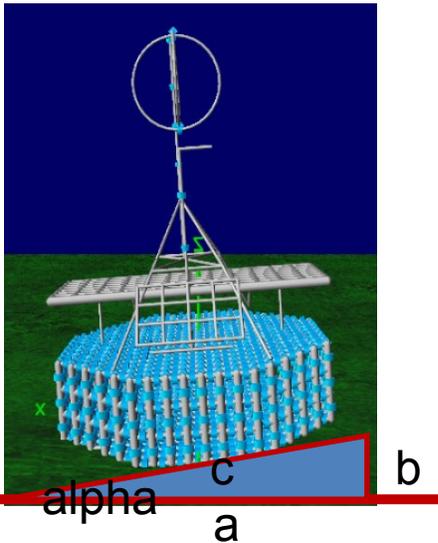
Ground properties also change with weather

| Material | Conductivity | Relative permittivity ϵ_r |
|-----------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|
| | S/m | F/m |
| Air | 0 | 1 |
| Water | $10^{-4} - 10^{-2}$ | 81 |
| Clay dry | $10^{-3} - 10^{-1}$ | 2-6 |
| Clay saturated | $10^{-1} - 1$ | 15-40 |
| Concrete dry | $10^{-3} - 10^{-2}$ | 4-10 |
| Concrete wet | $10^{-2} - 10^{-1}$ | 10-20 |
| Sand dry | $10^{-7} - 10^{-3}$ | 4-6 |
| Sand saturated | $10^{-4} - 10^{-2}$ | 10-30 |
| Sandy dry soil | $10^{-4} - 10^{-2}$ | 4-6 |
| Sandy wet soil | $10^{-2} - 10^{-1}$ | 15-30 |
| Loamy dry soil | $10^{-4} - 10^{-3}$ | 4-6 |
| Loamy wet soil | $10^{-2} - 10^{-1}$ | 10-20 |
| Clayey dry soil | $10^{-4} - 10^{-1}$ | 4-6 |
| Clayey wet soil | $10^{-1} - 1$ | 10-15 |

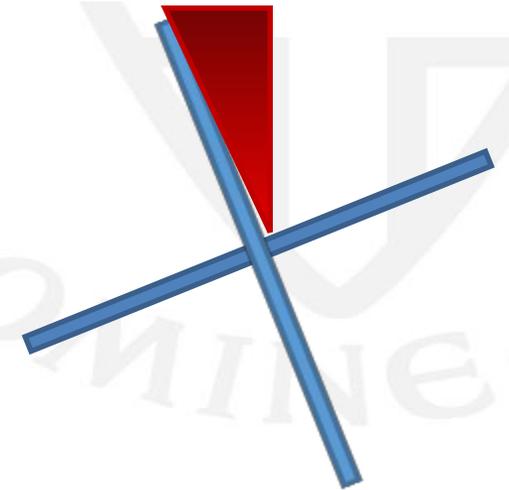
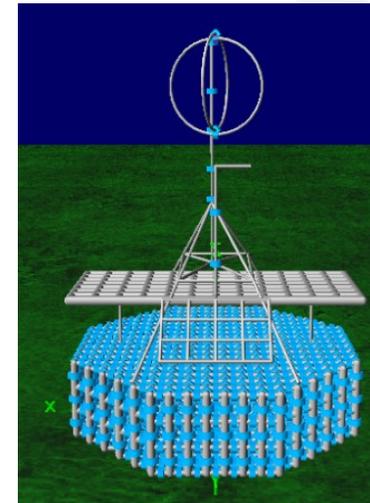
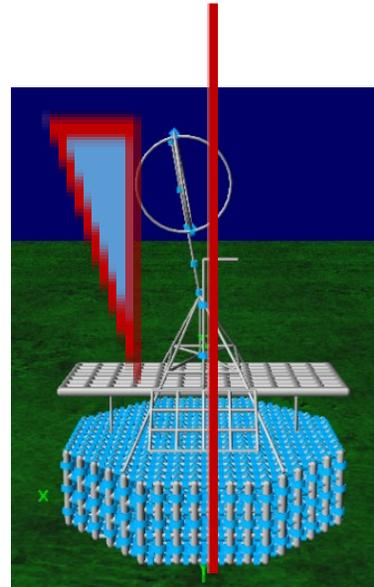
Degree - tilt relation

- If you tilt tank (3.5 meters long) by 5 degrees, the difference between the highest and the lowest point is 31 cm.
- If you tilt antenna (~2 meters high) by 5 degrees, the difference between the top point from the perpendicular is 17 cm.
- If you rotate antenna by 5 degrees, the difference between the furthest point pointing to the north and the north is 5 cm.

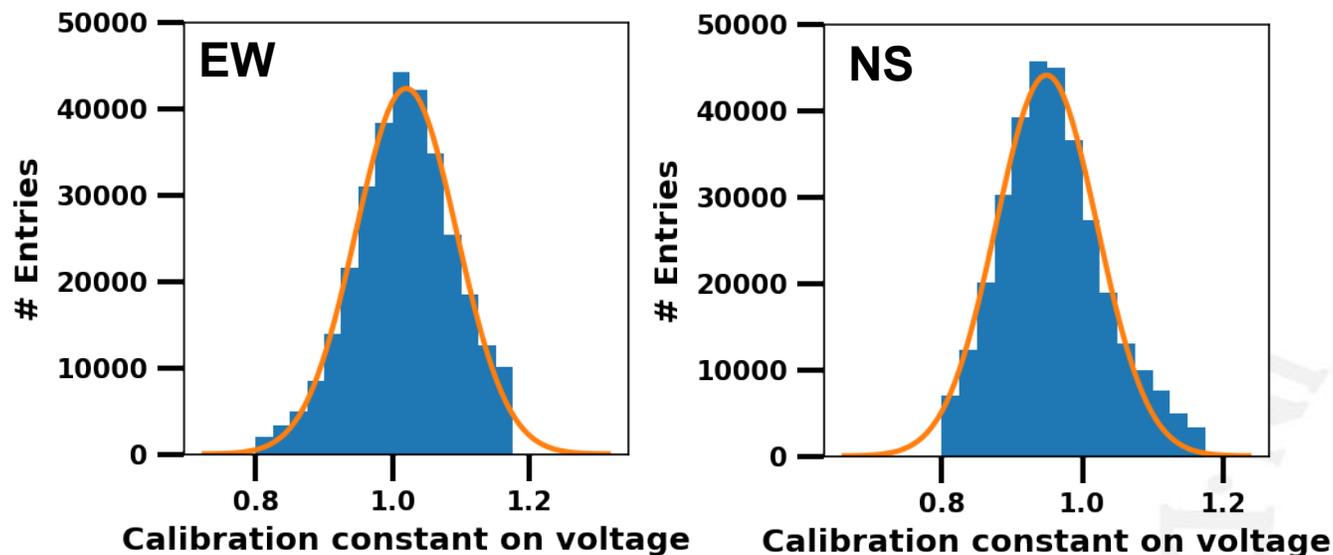
| | | Degrees of tilt | | | | | |
|----------------------|-----|-----------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | | 1 | 2.5 | 5 | 10 | 15 | 20 |
| object size (meters) | 0.6 | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.05 | 0.10 | 0.16 | 0.21 |
| | 2 | 0.03 | 0.09 | 0.17 | 0.35 | 0.52 | 0.69 |
| | 3.5 | 0.06 | 0.15 | 0.31 | 0.61 | 0.91 | 1.22 |



$$b = \sin(\alpha) * c$$



Absolute galactic calibration – method & results



| channel | voltage calibration constant | factor | min | max | mean |
|---------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|
| EW | $1.03 \pm 9.6\% \pm 2.0\%$ | choice of the sky map | 4.0 | 5.1 | 4.5 |
| NS | $0.96 \pm 9.7\% \pm 2.0\%$ | choice of calibration method | 1.6 | 5.0 | 3.6 |
| | | * | (8.4) | (11.2) | (10.0) |
| | | antenna model | 0.3 | 1.4 | 0.9 |
| | | antenna - different ground | 0.2 | 1.8 | 1.0 |
| | | antenna - shifted components | 0.1 | 0.7 | 0.4 |
| | | antenna - missing components | 0.2 | 1.9 | 0.6 |

Table 1: Calibration constants. The first uncertainty is propagated from the simulated dataset. The second is the uncertainty propagated from the measured dataset.

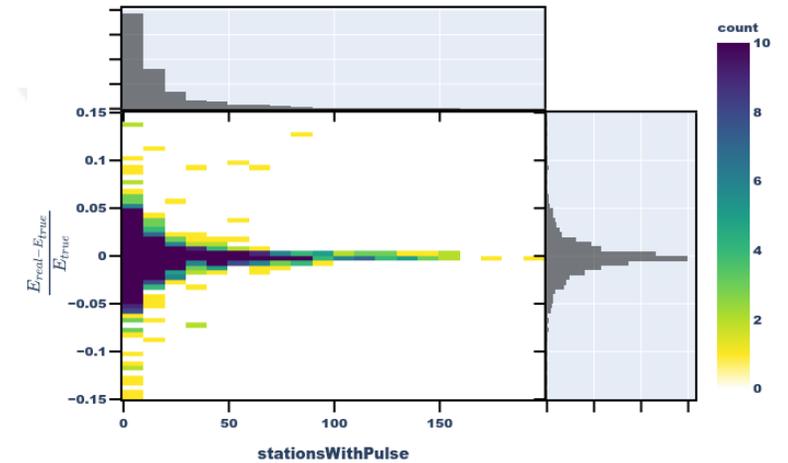
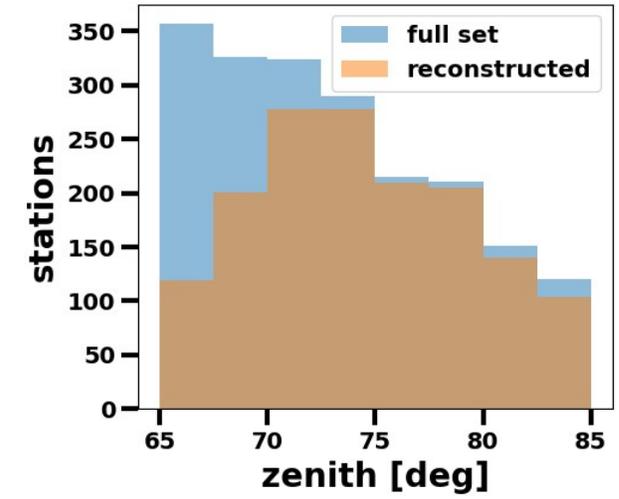
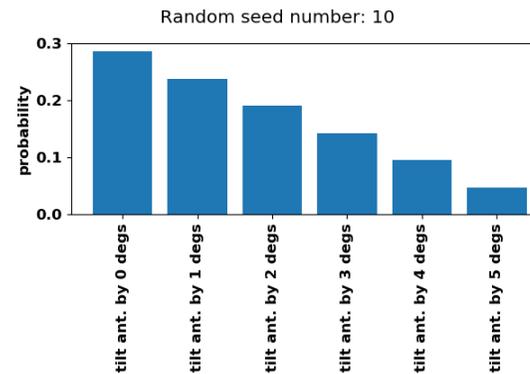
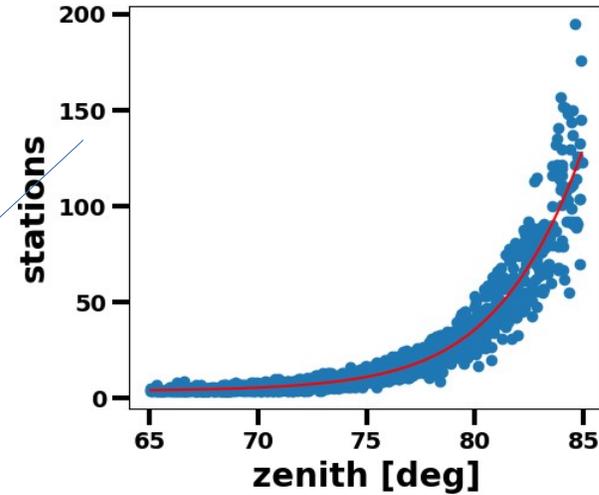
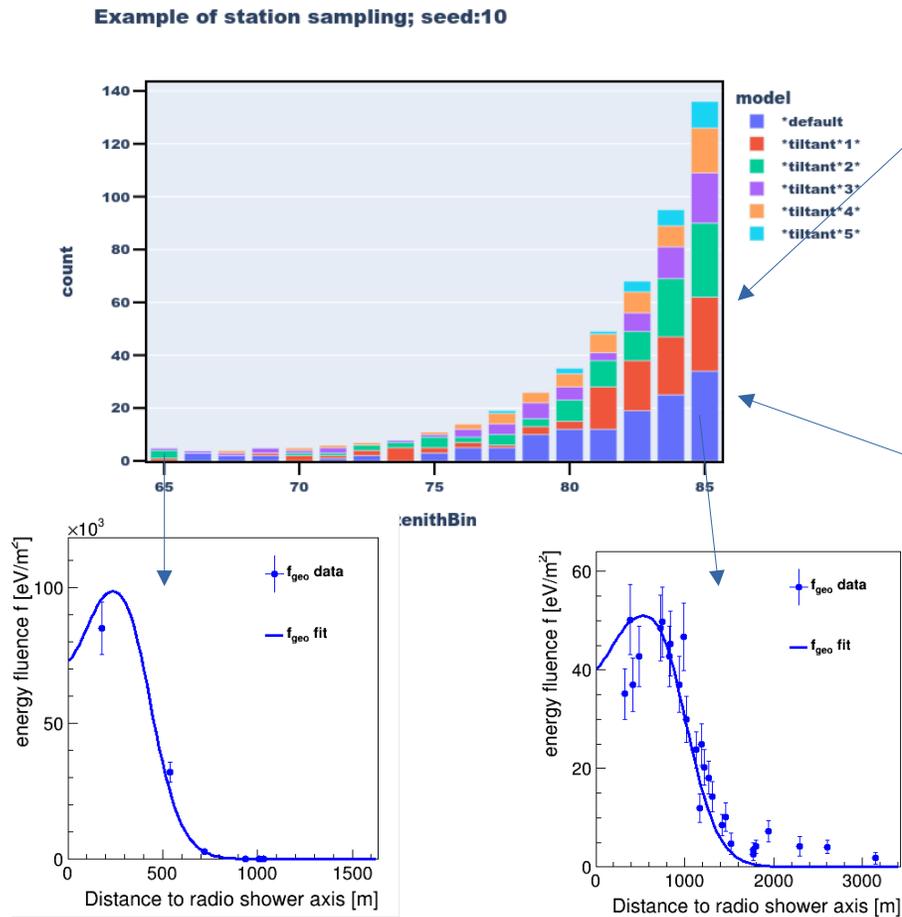
Table 2: Effect of the different factors (in percents) on the calibration constant. *When the LFSS map is fixed, the methods yield higher inconsistency compared to when the other maps are used.

Zenith correlation (tilted antenna)

Central theorem suggestion:

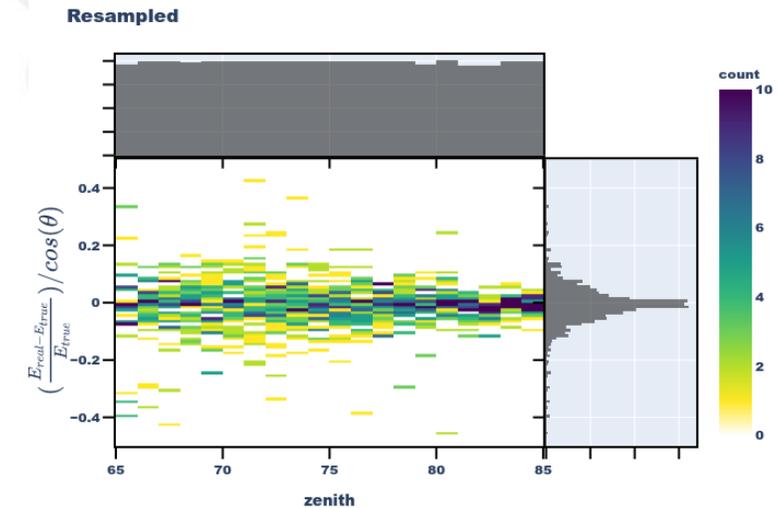
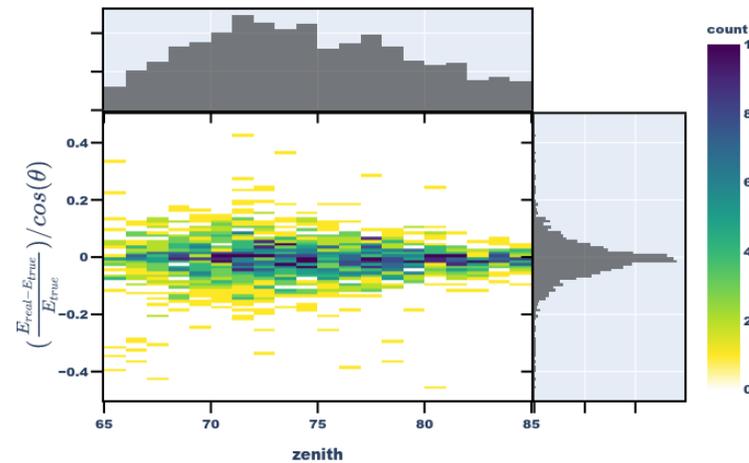
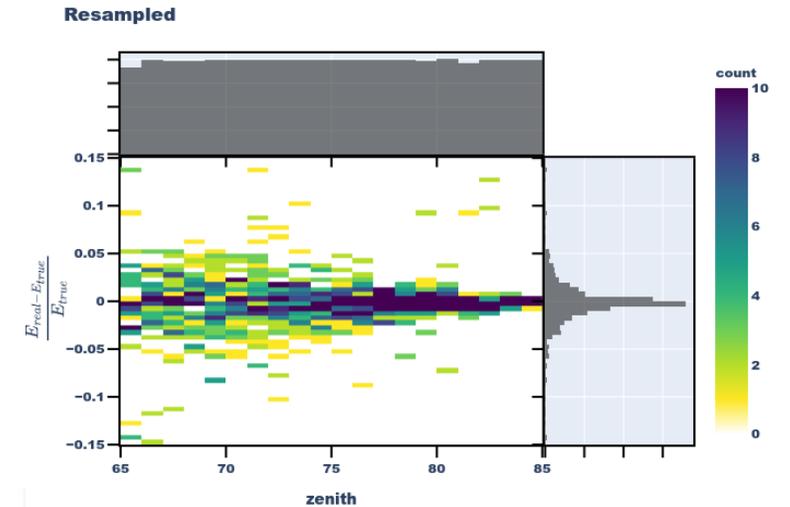
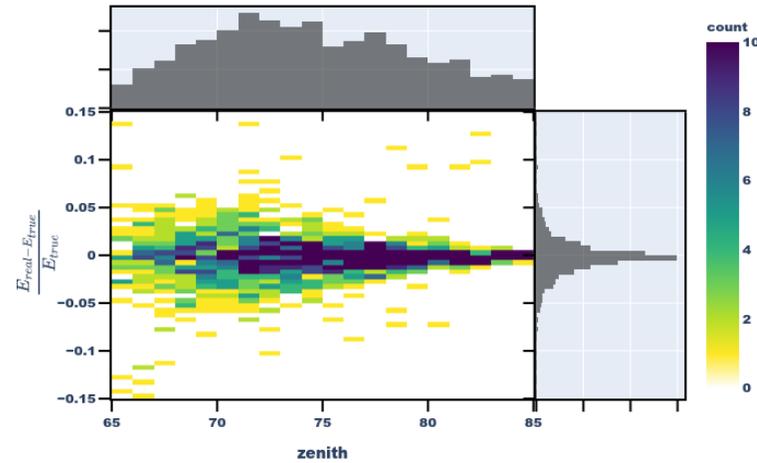
Large zenith \rightarrow larger foot print \rightarrow more stations \rightarrow
large sample \rightarrow better approximation of the true value

Example:



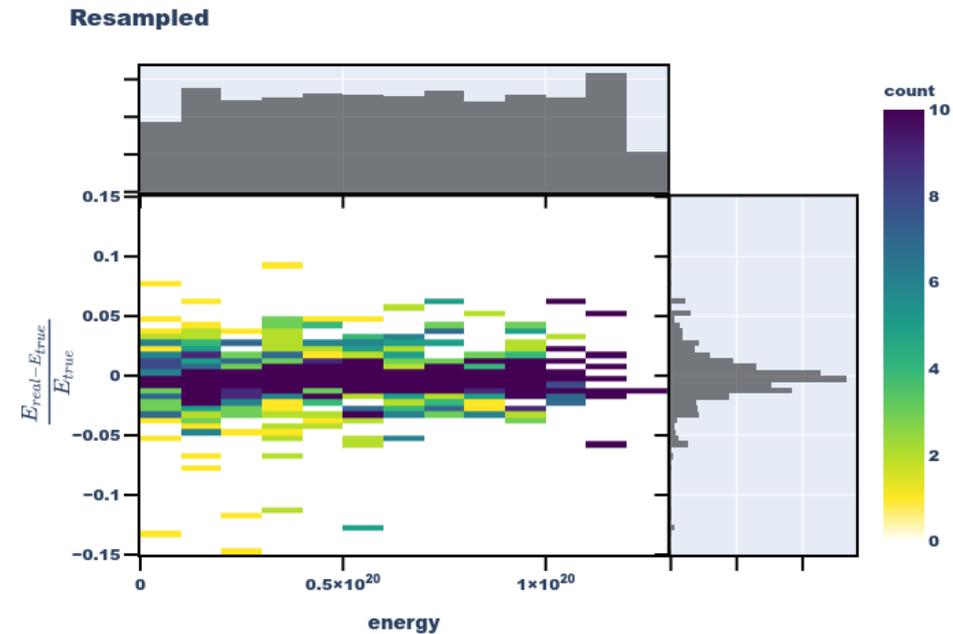
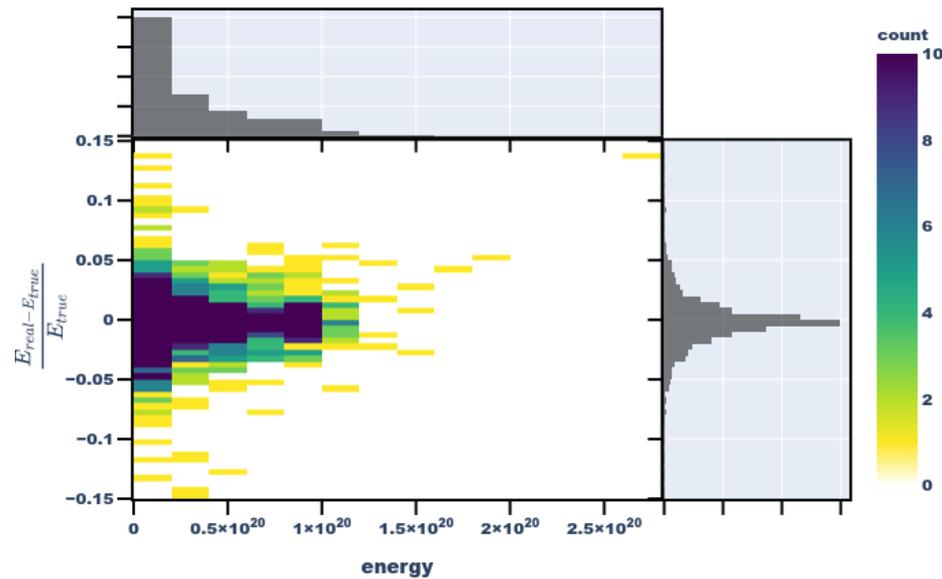
Zenith correlation (tilted antenna)

- 1) re-sample to have same # of samples in each zenith bin
- 2) divide by $\cos(\theta)$

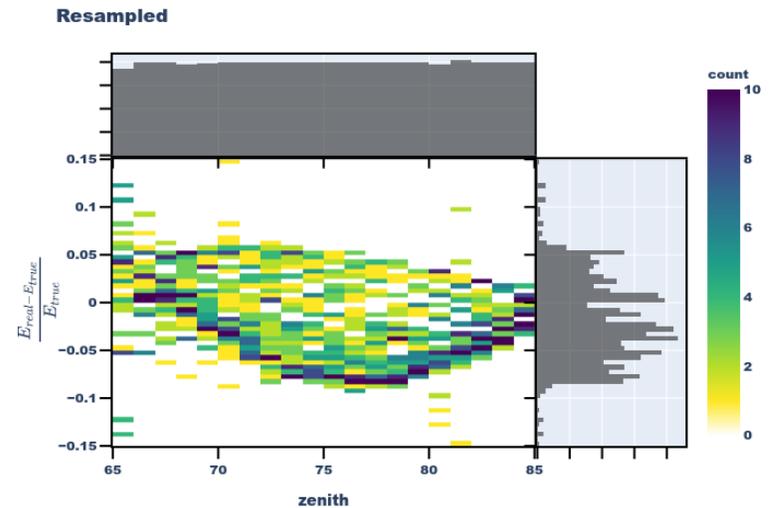
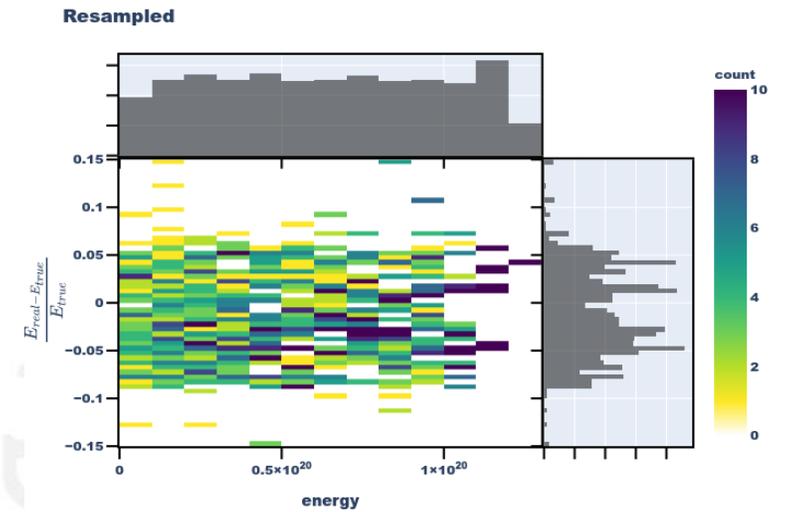
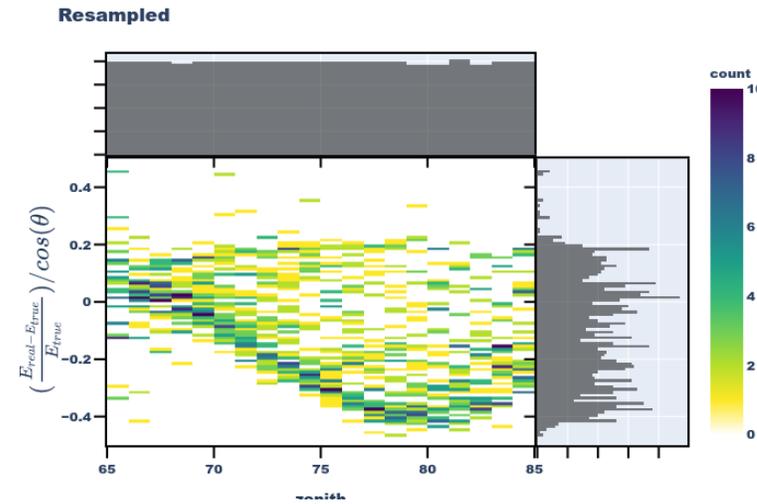
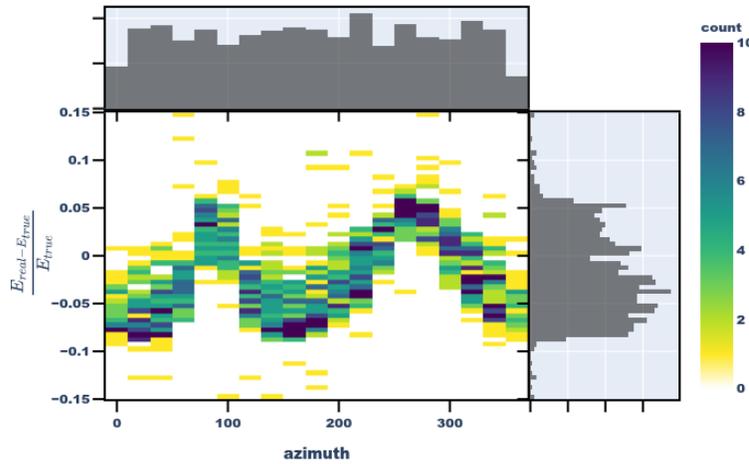


Energy correlation (tilted antenna)

- No strong energy correlation after resampling



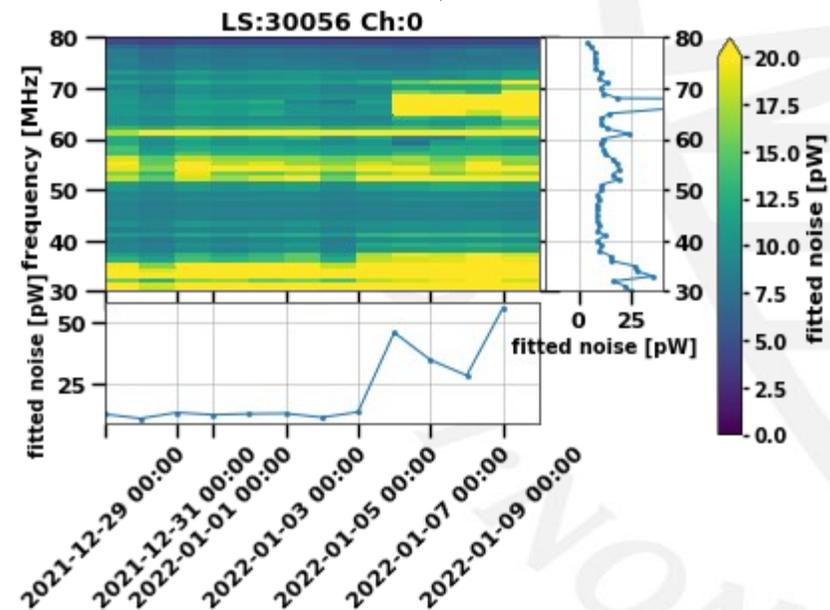
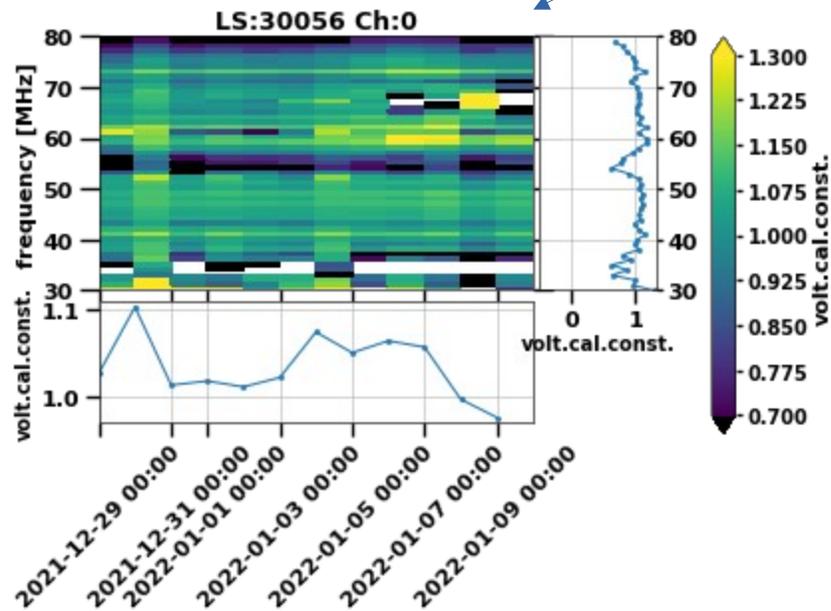
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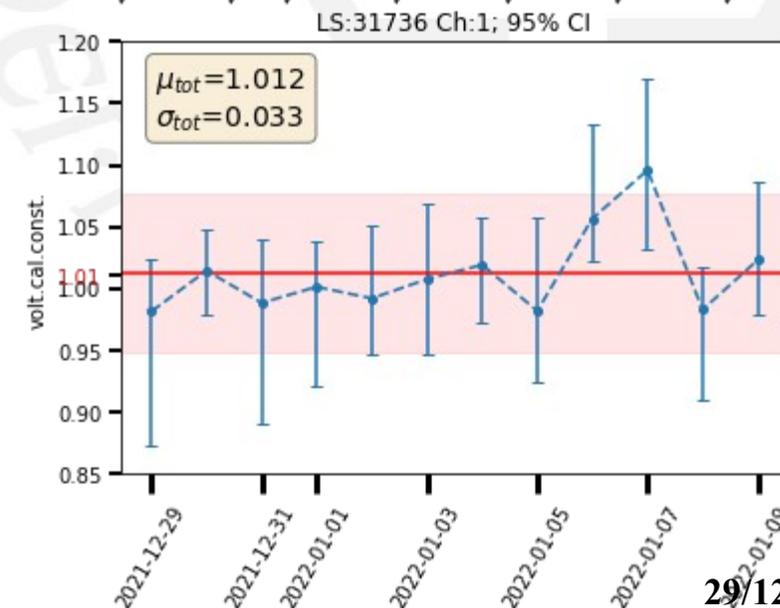
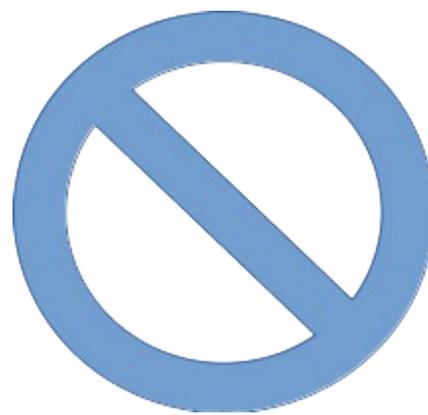
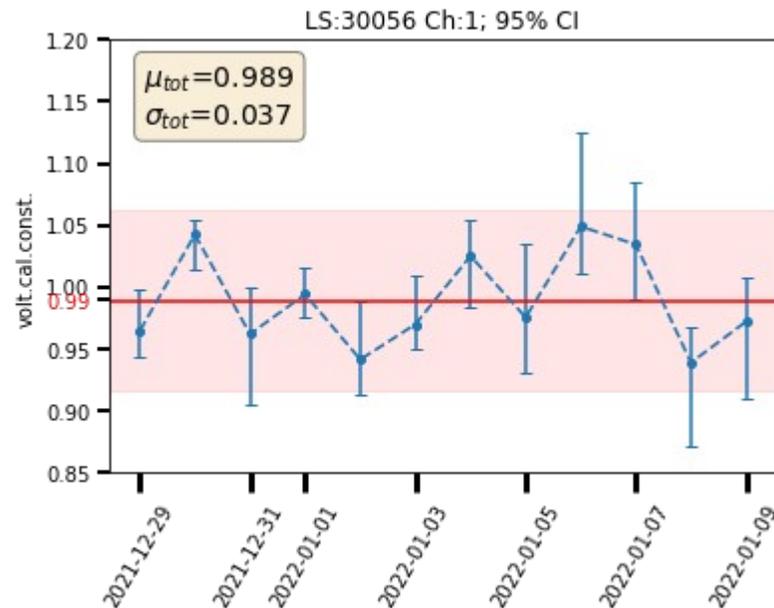
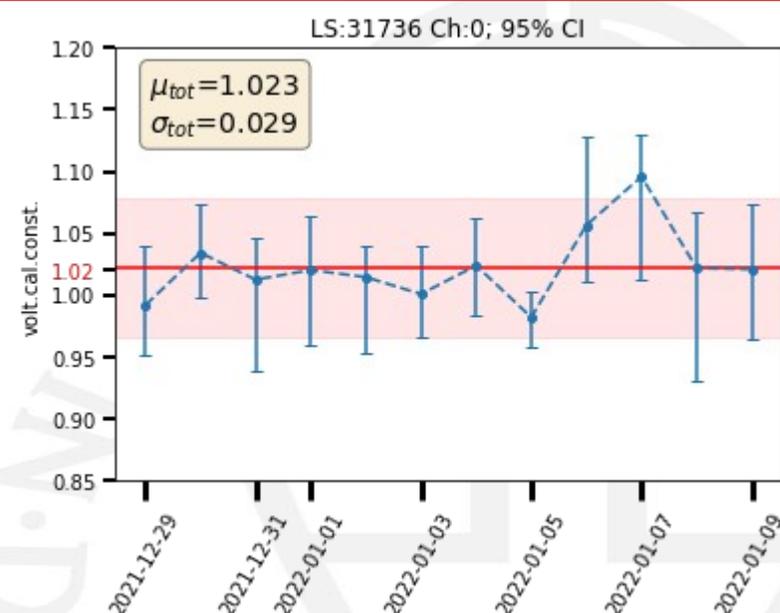
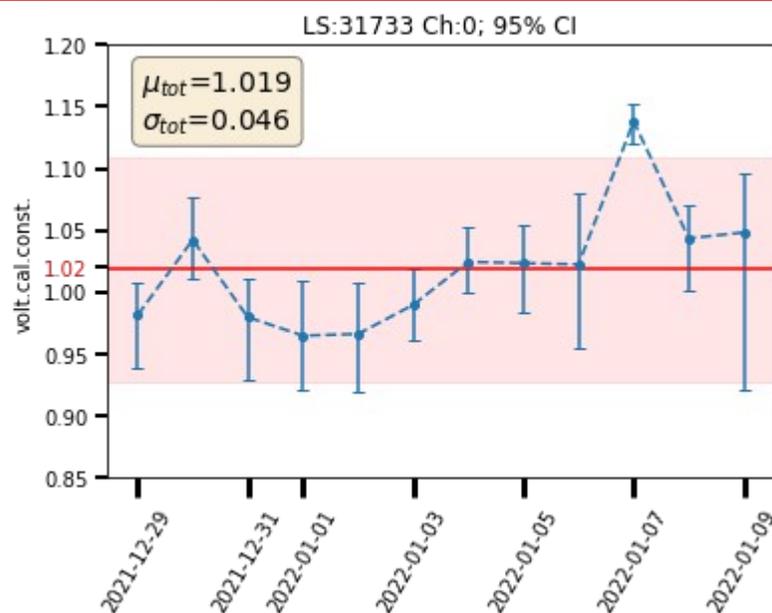
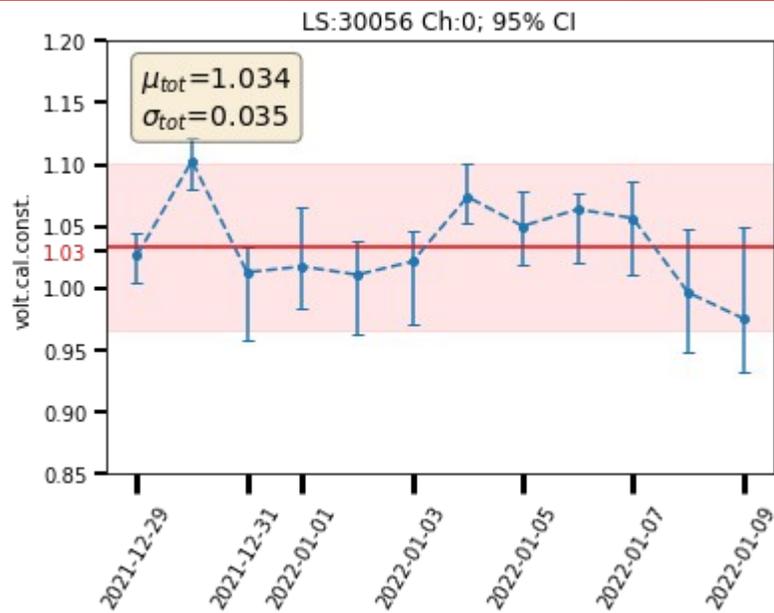
Calibration – fitting each band separately

Fitting formula:

Measured (f,t) = simulated (f) * **calibration constant (f,t)** + **noise (f,t)**



Median of the frequency dependent calibration constants



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