

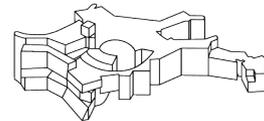
# Spatially variant point spread function removal in X-ray observations

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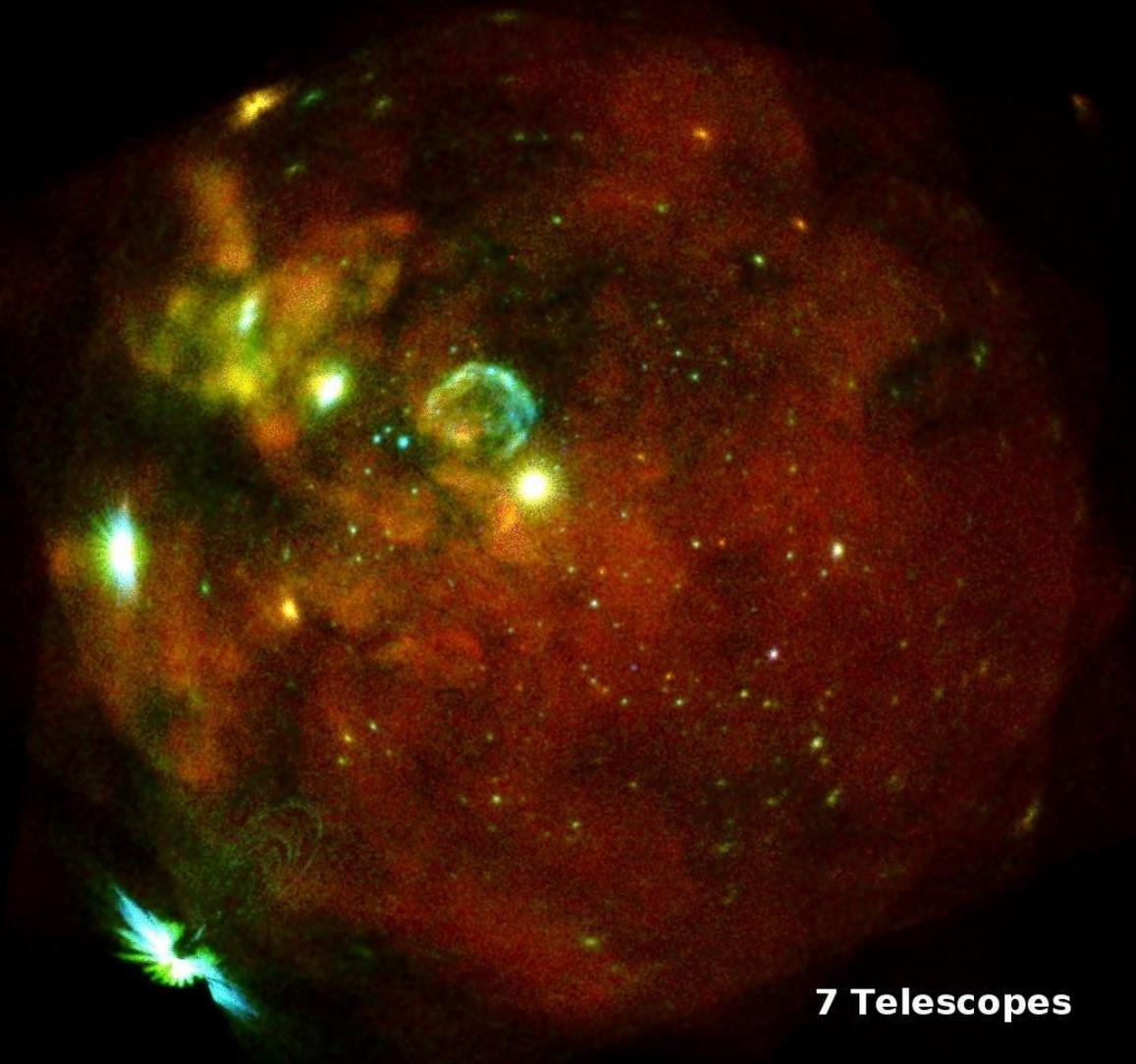
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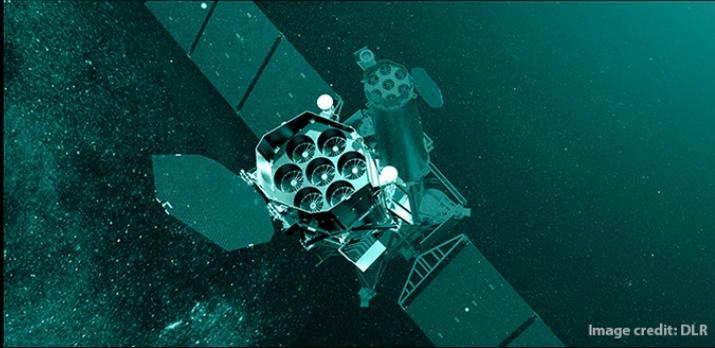
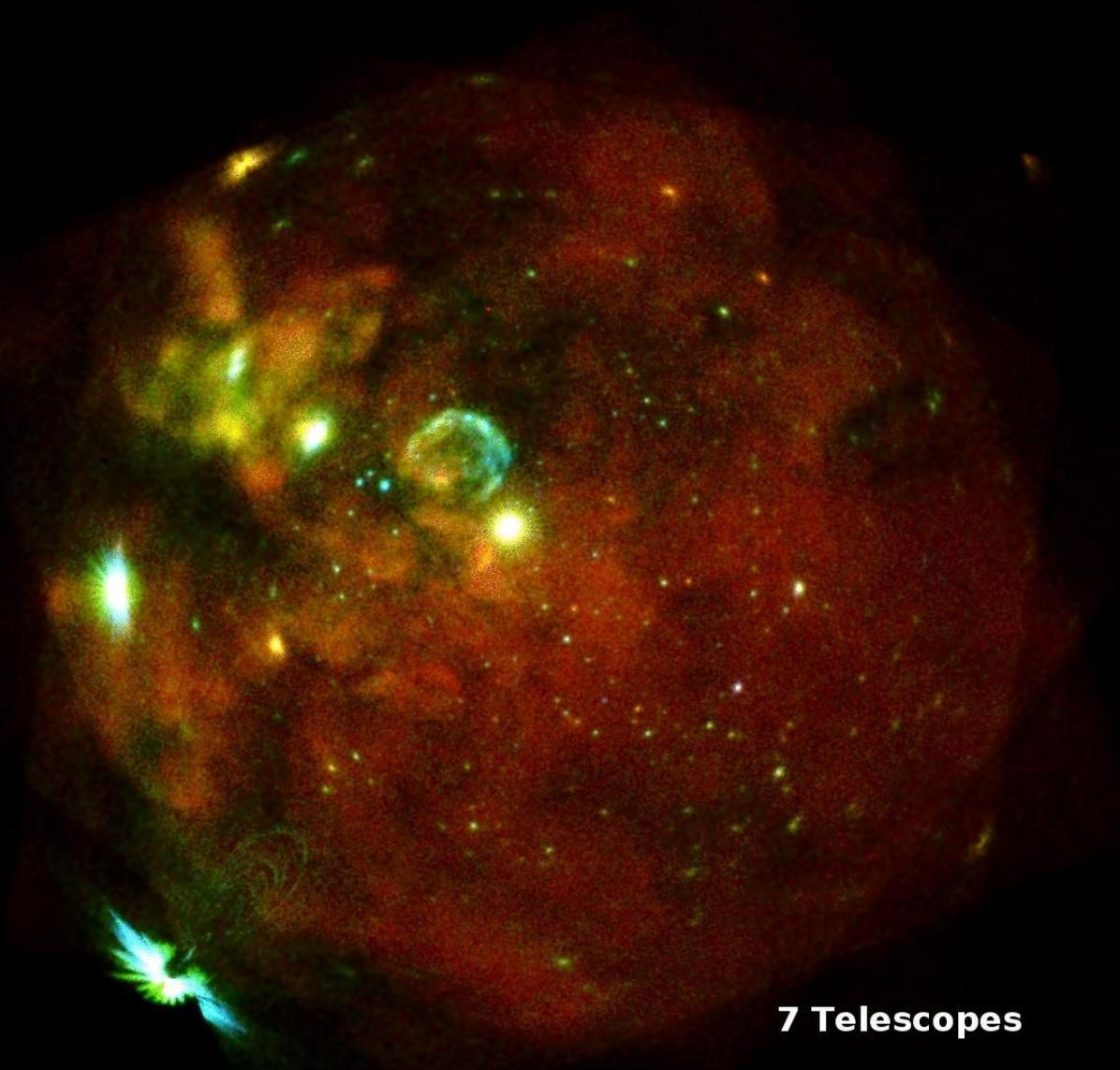


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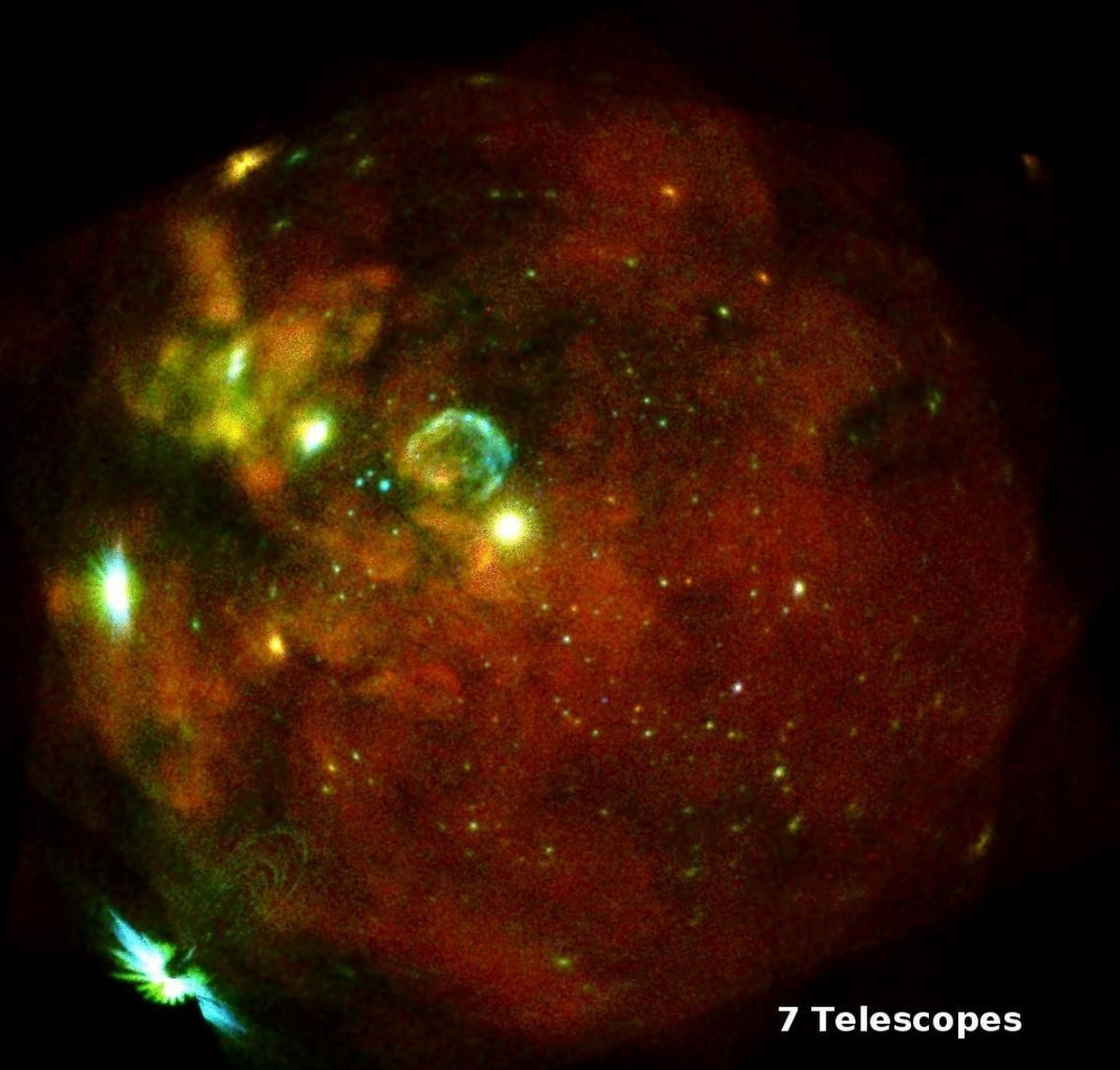
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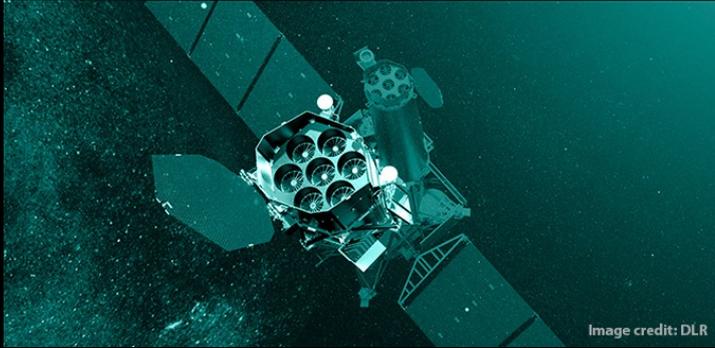
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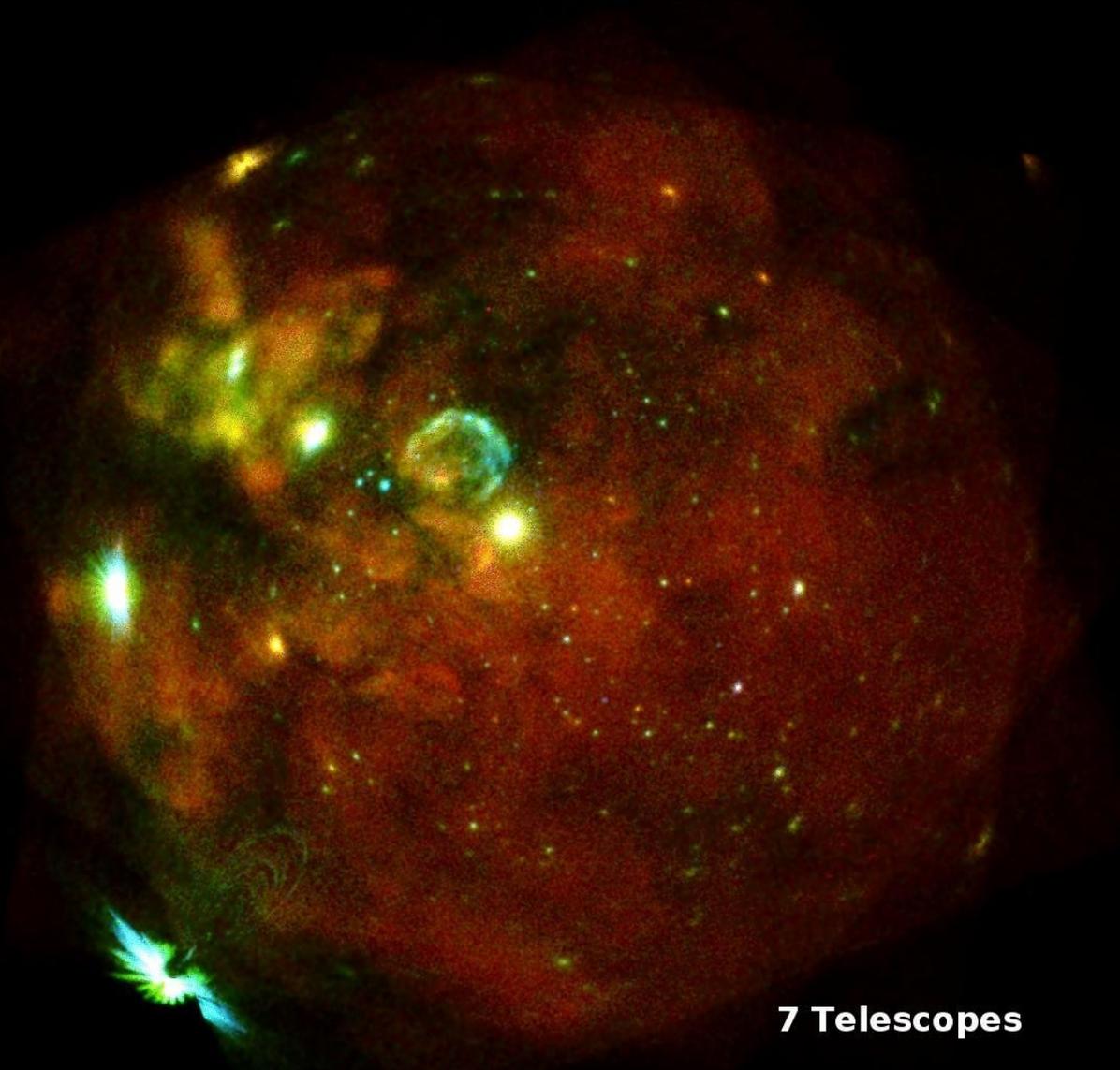


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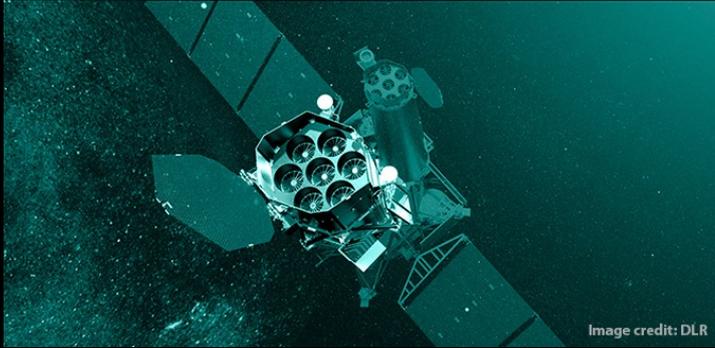
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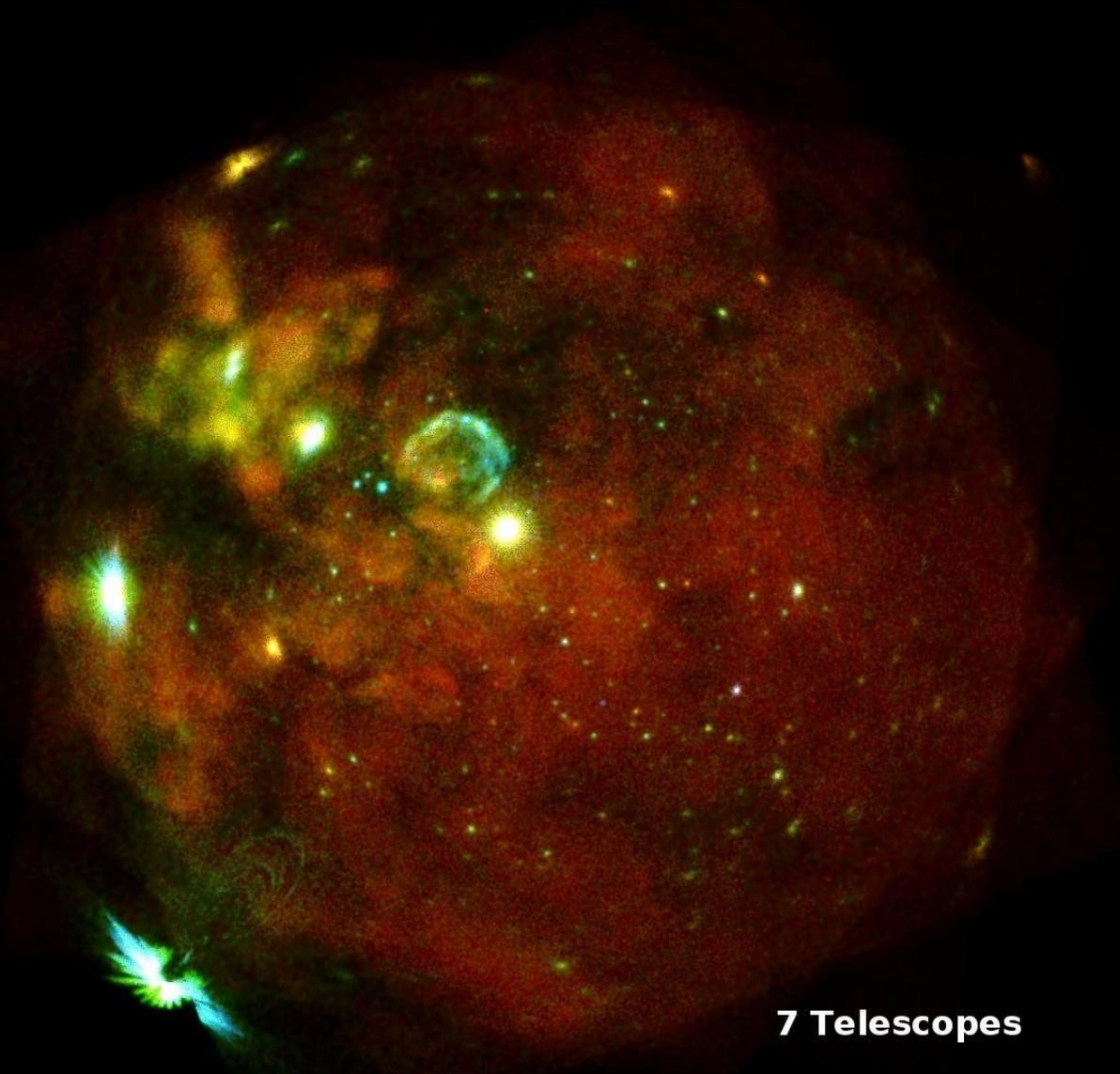


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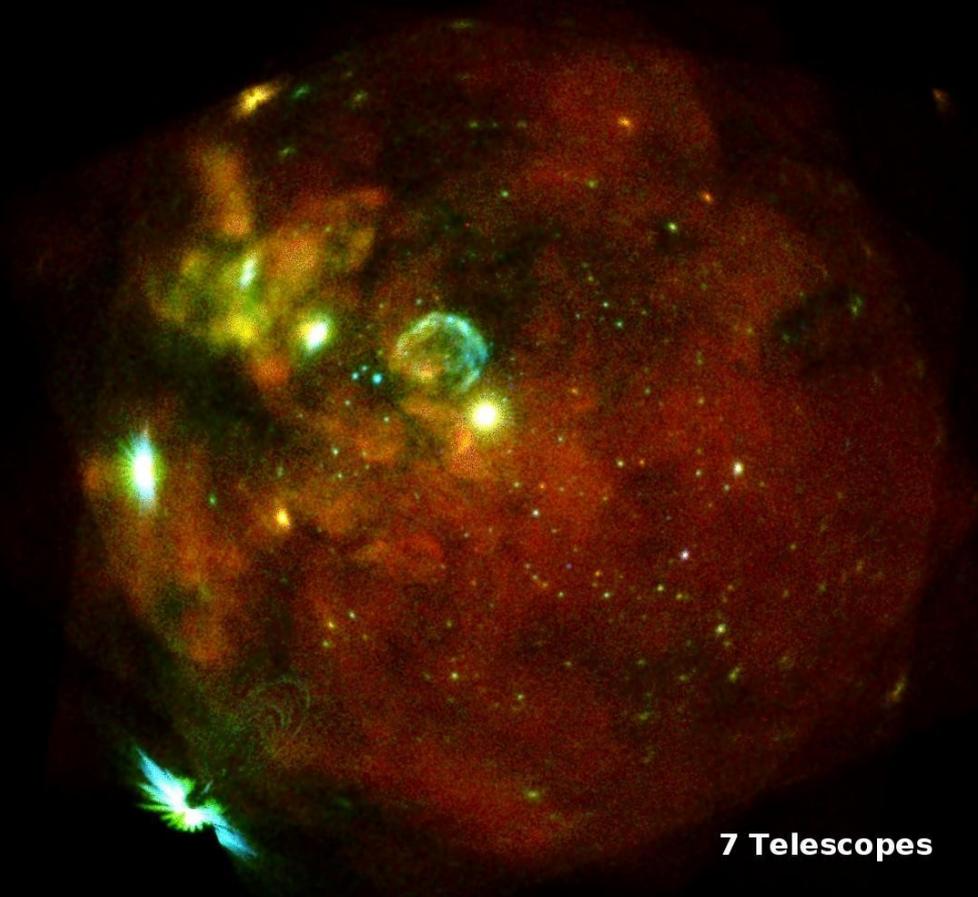
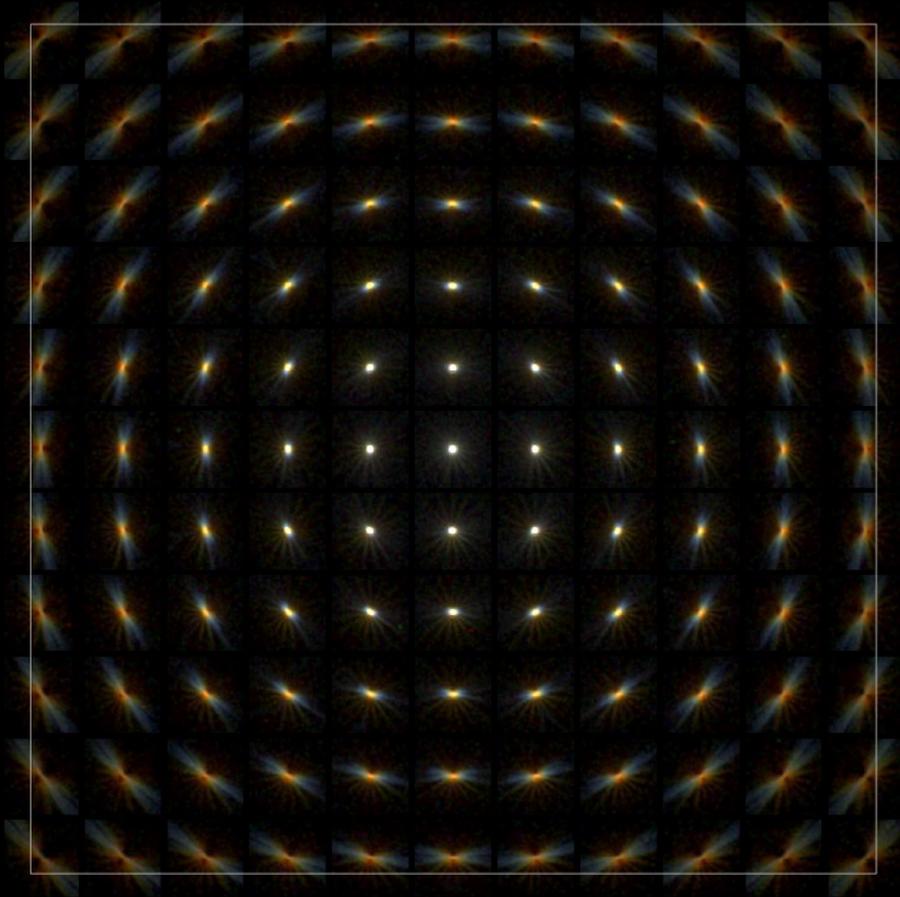
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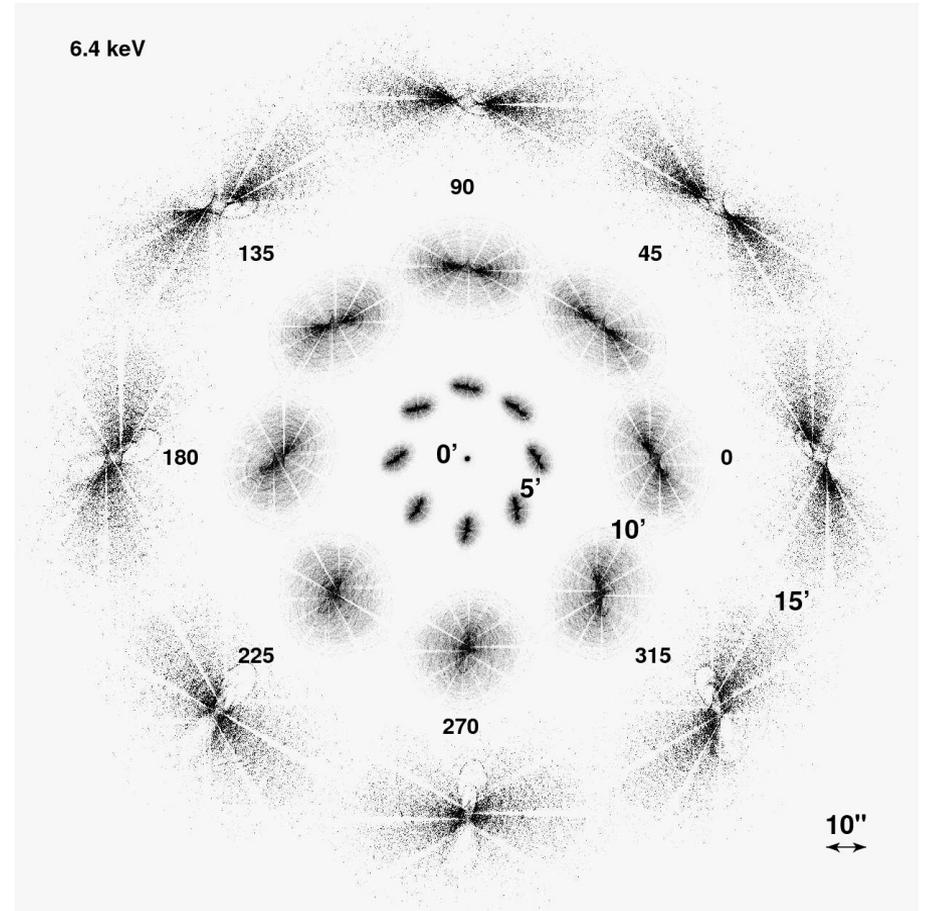
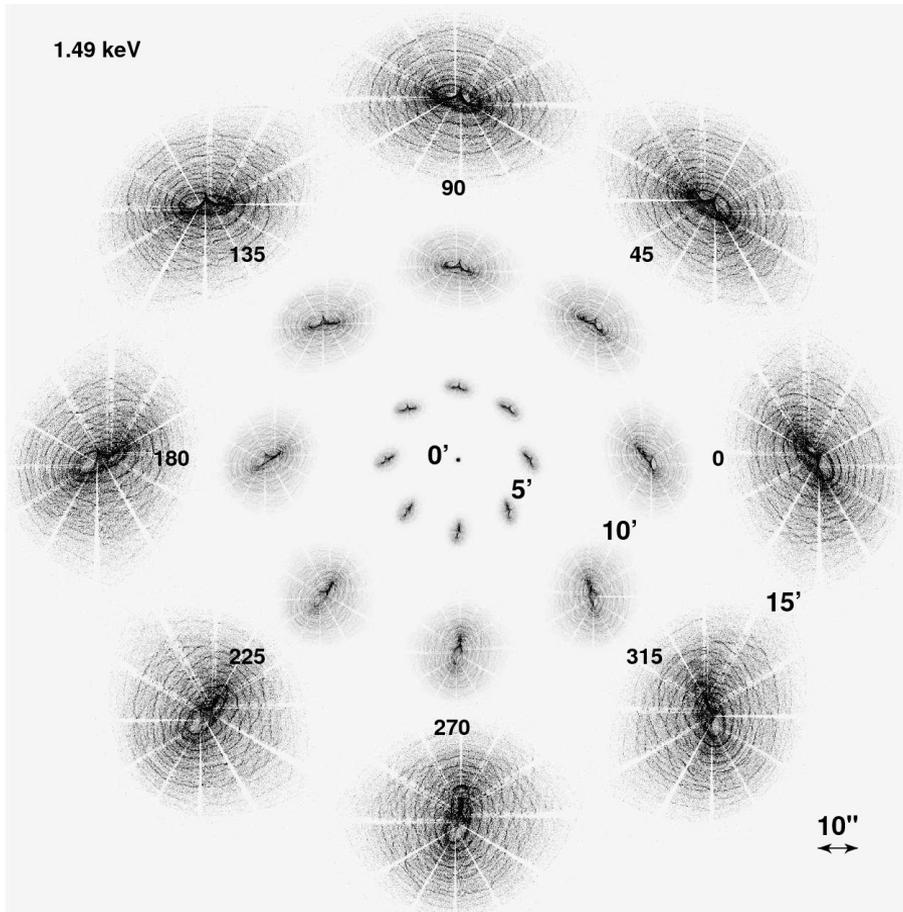
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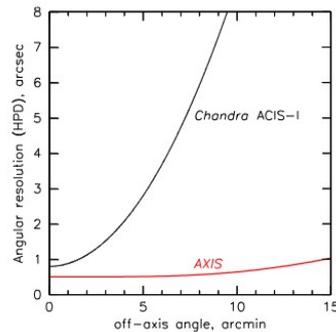
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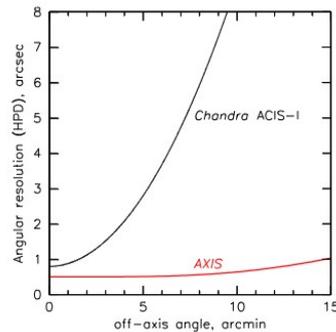
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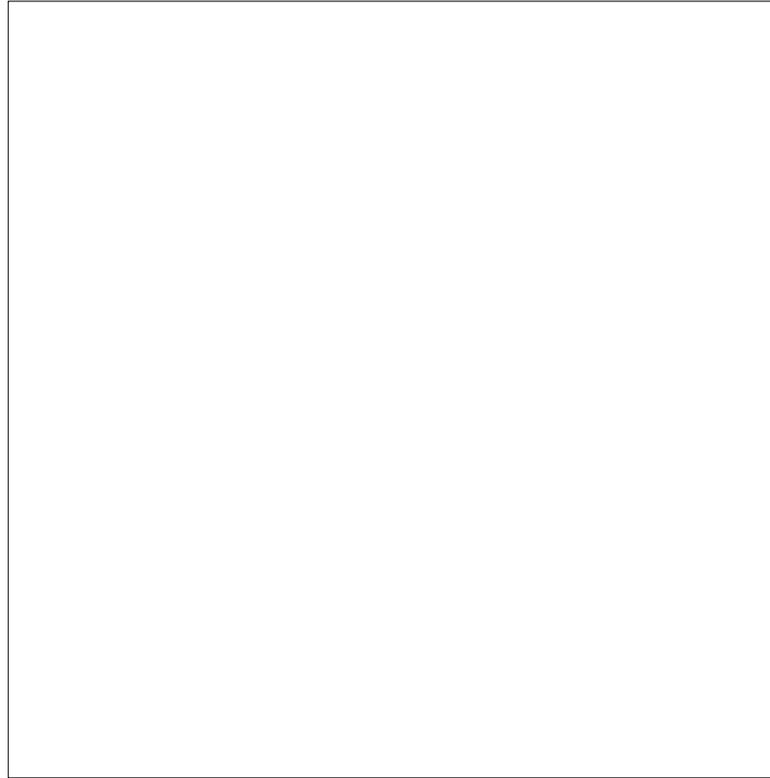
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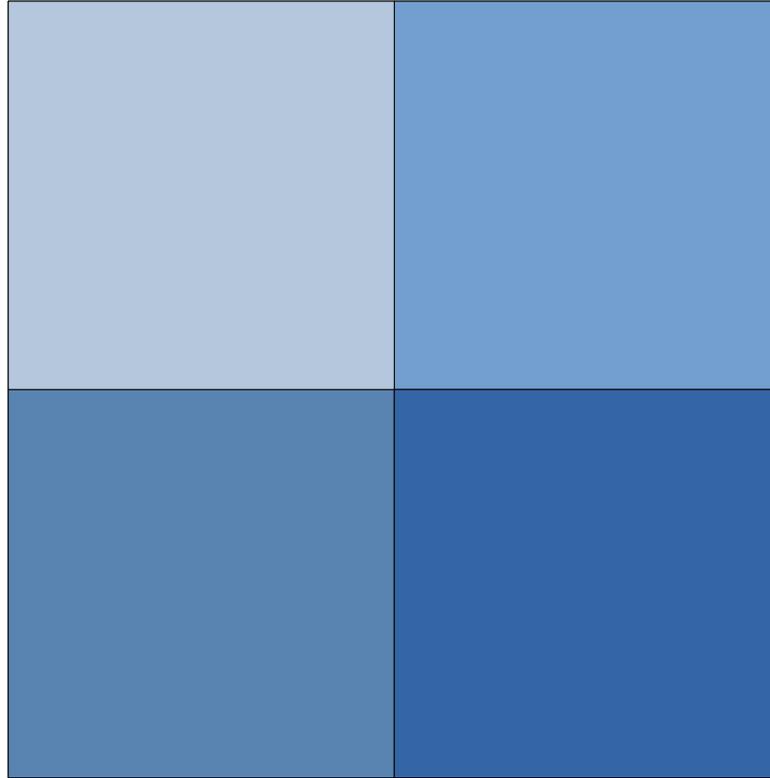


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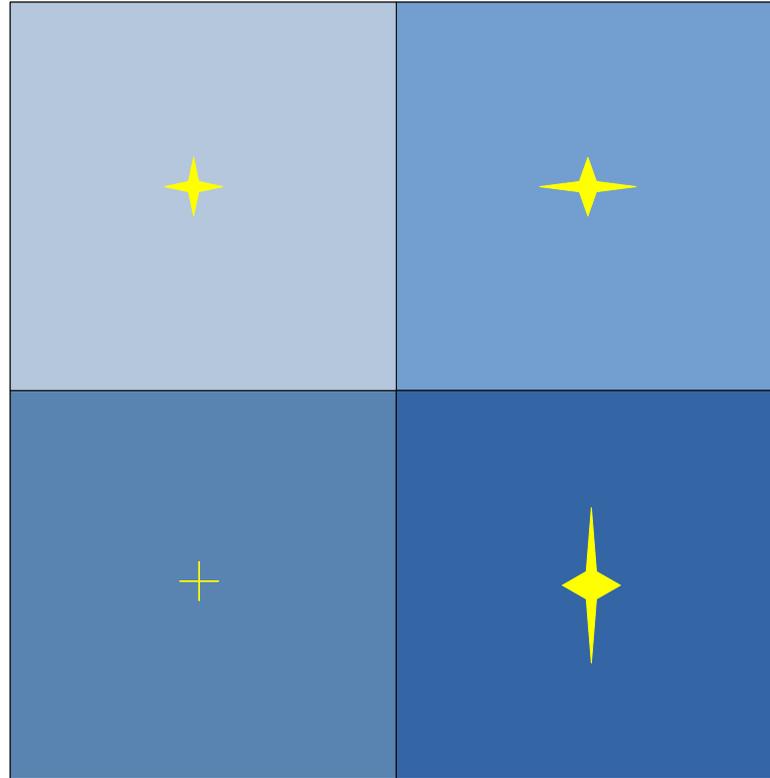
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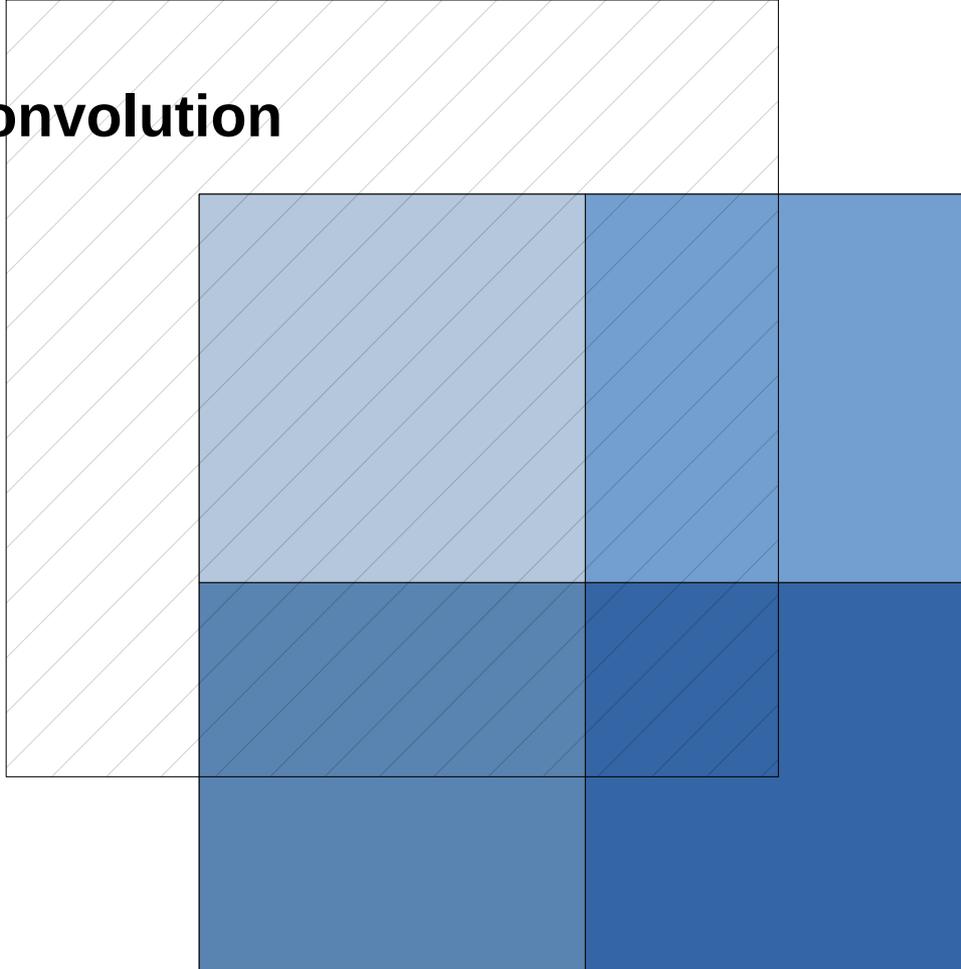
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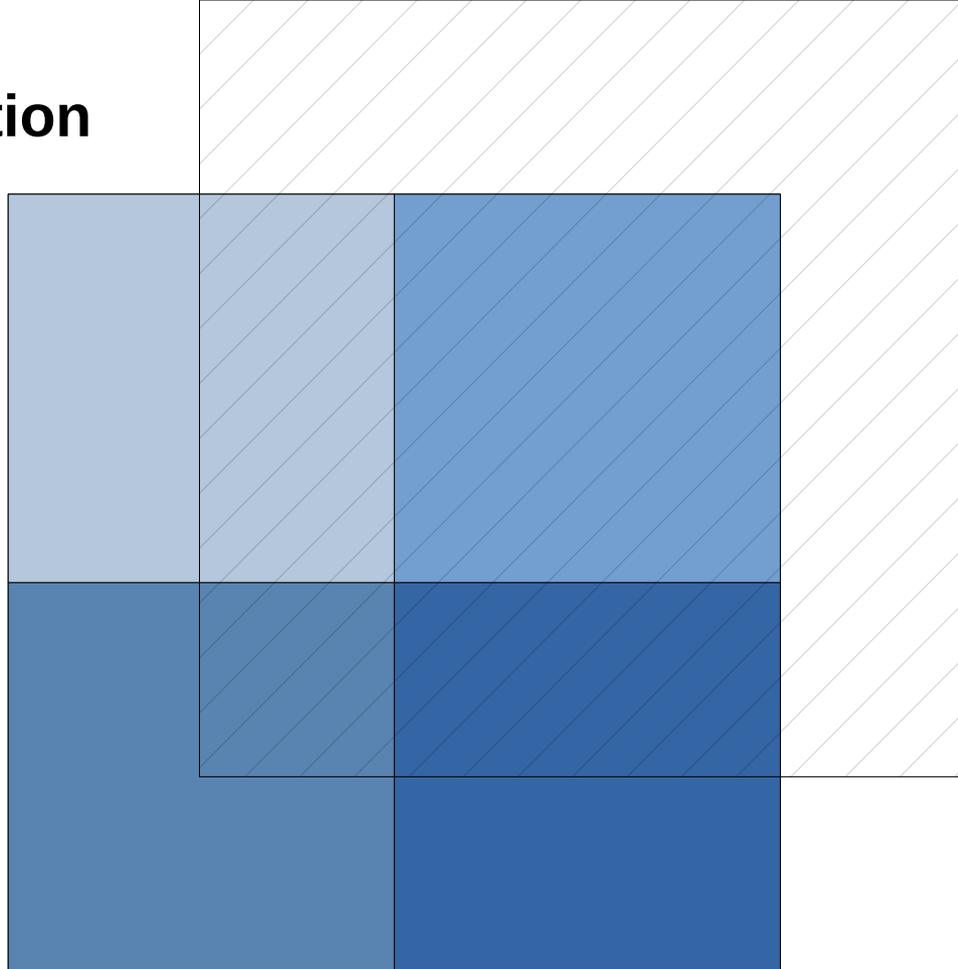
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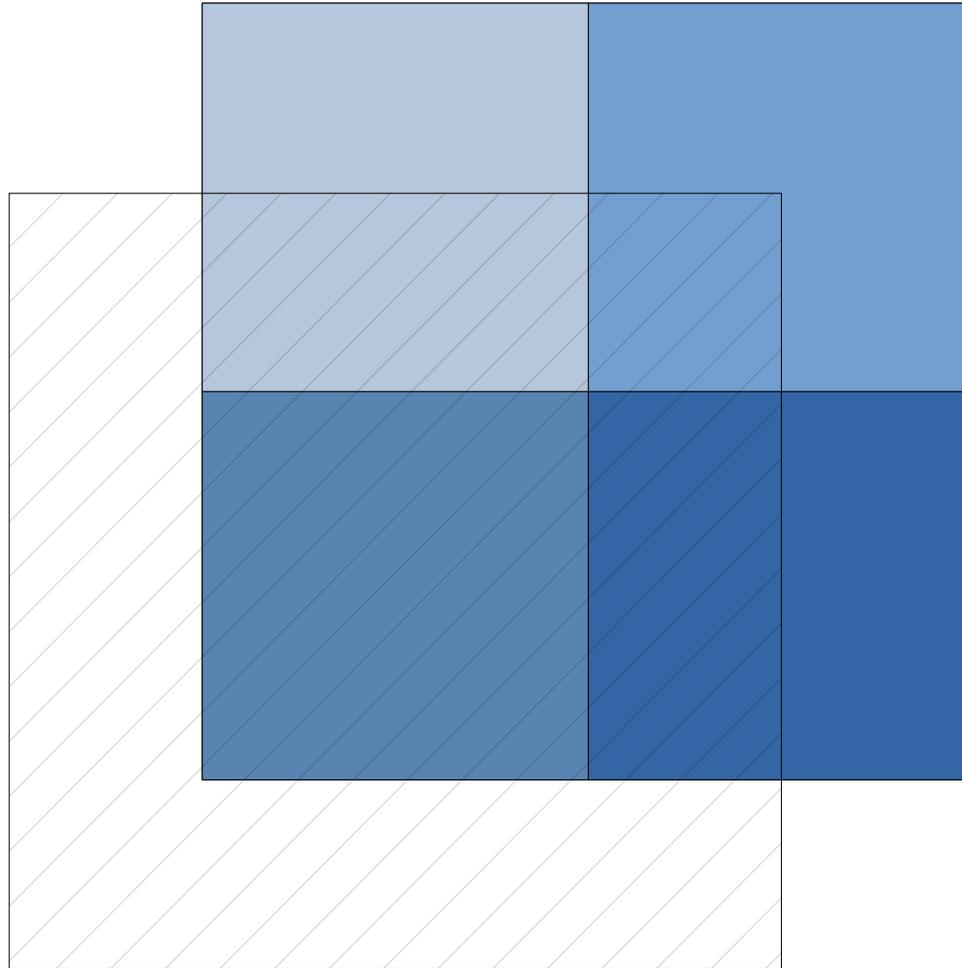
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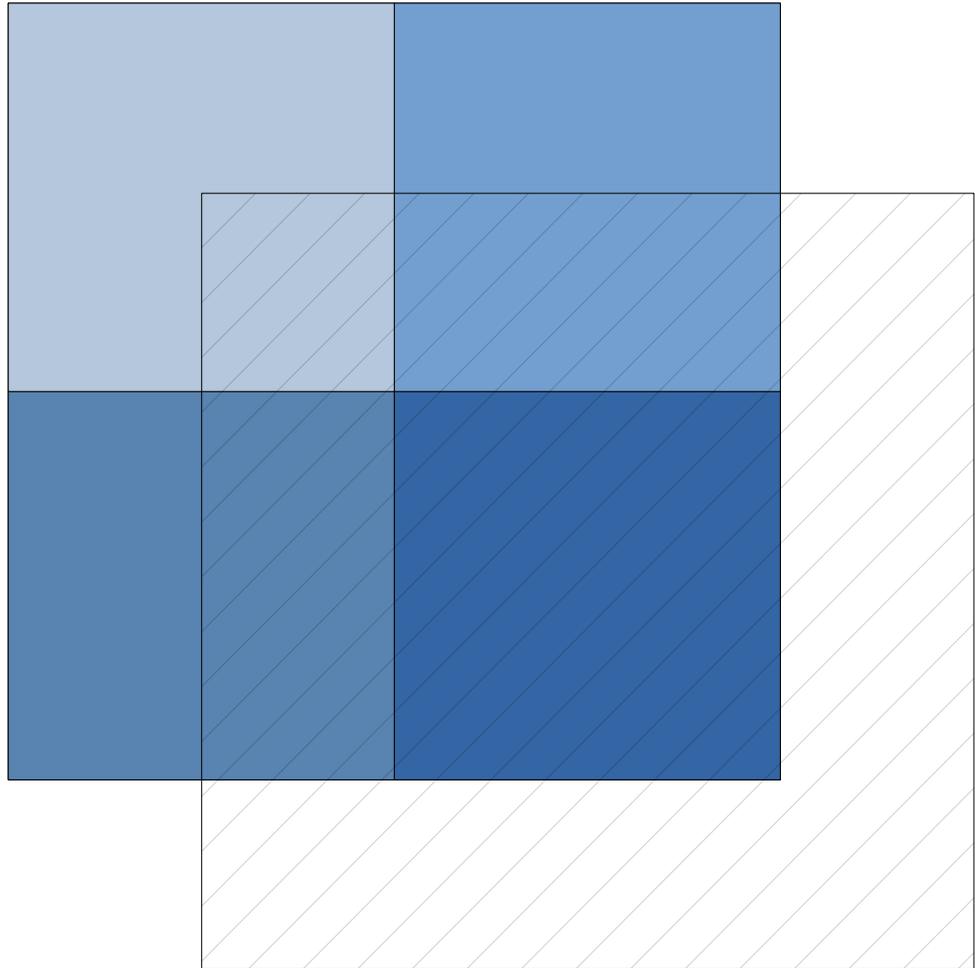
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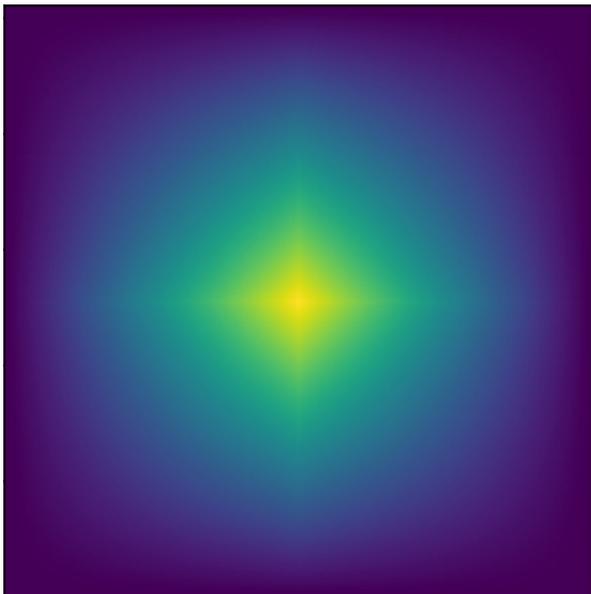


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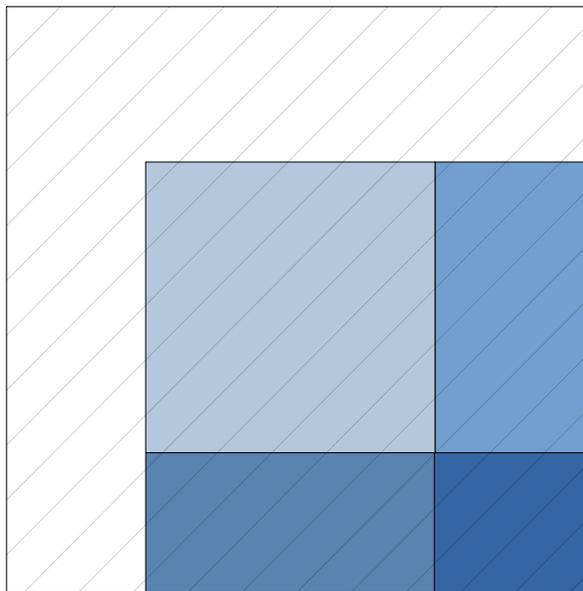
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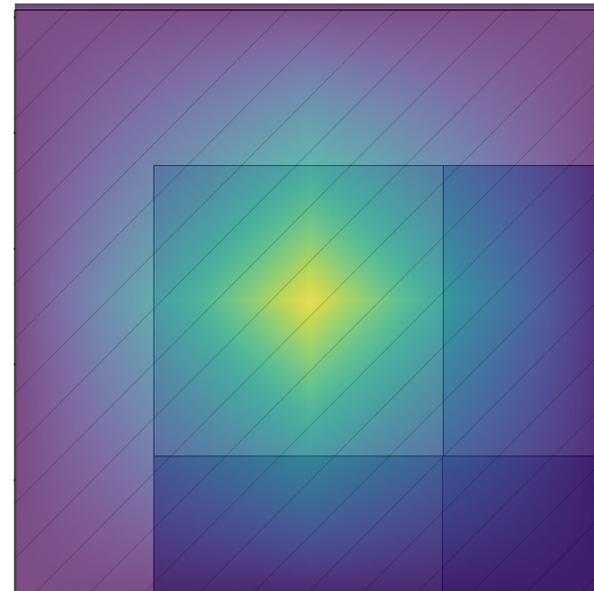
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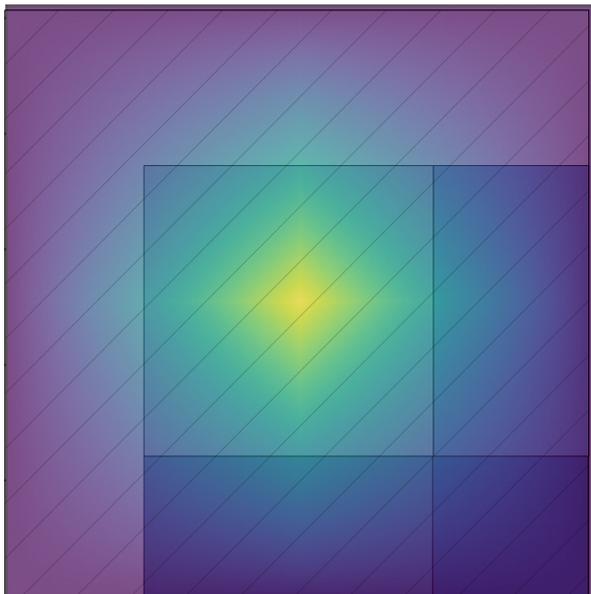
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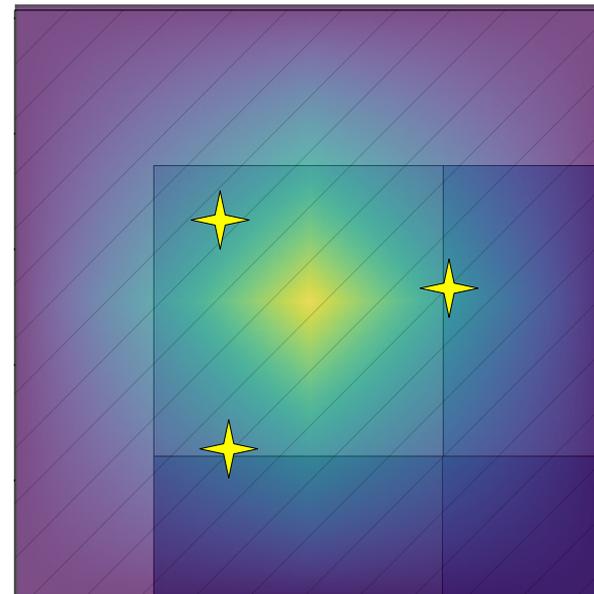


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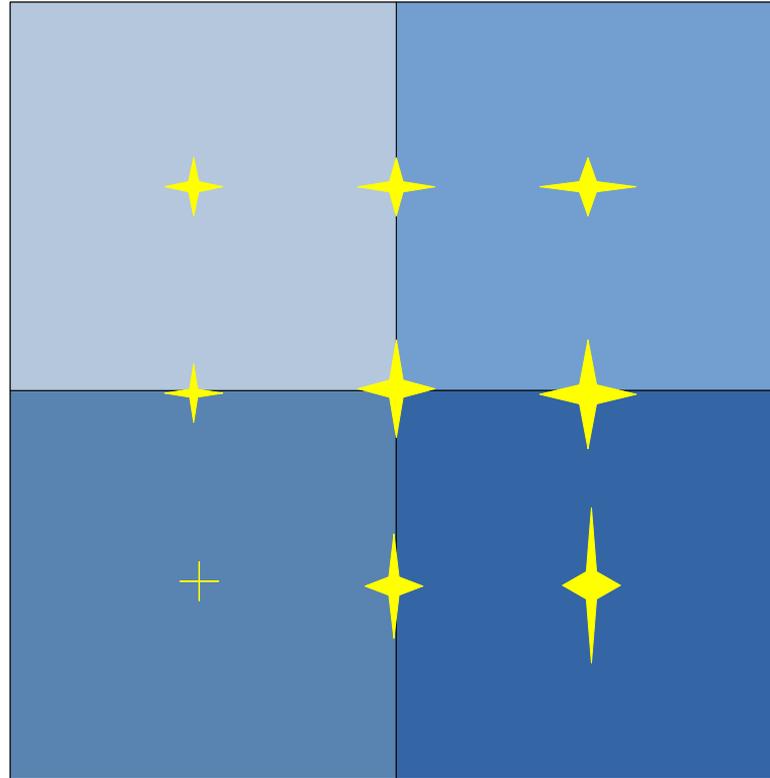


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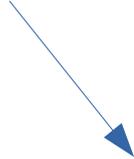
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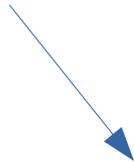


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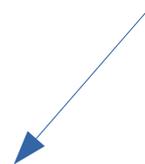
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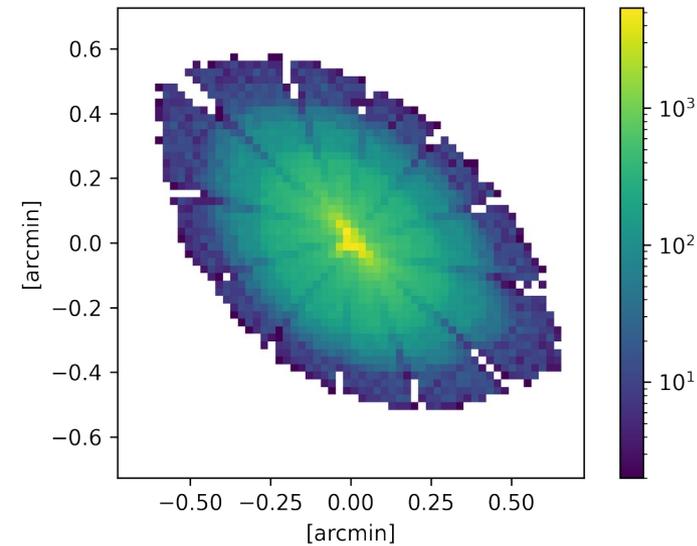
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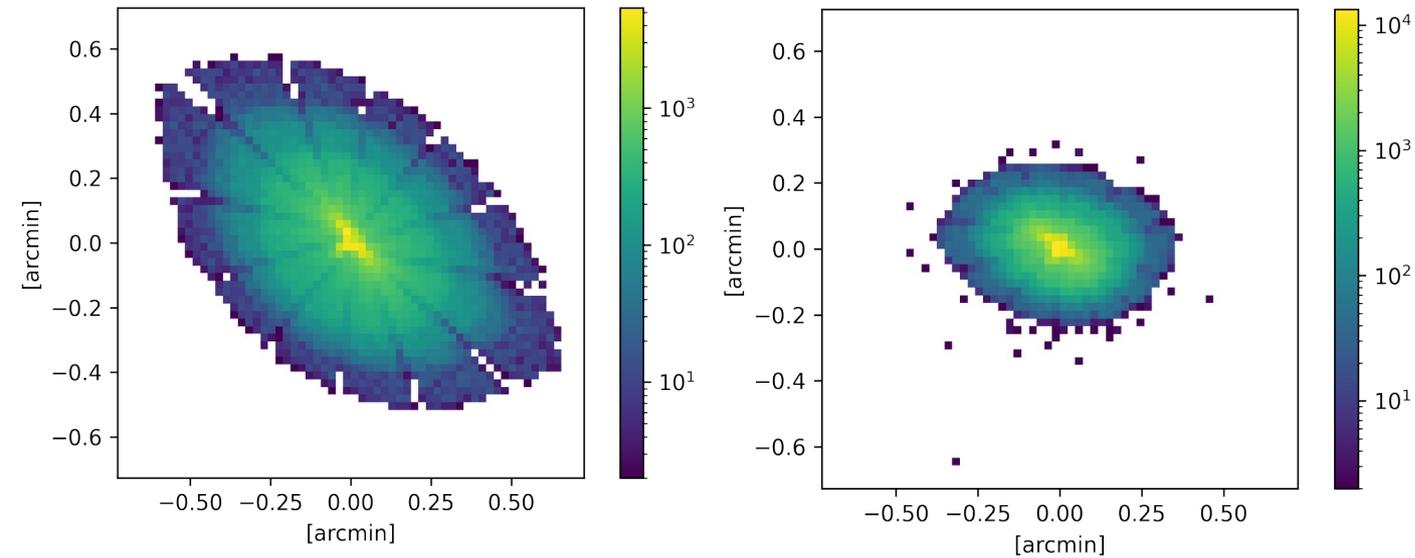
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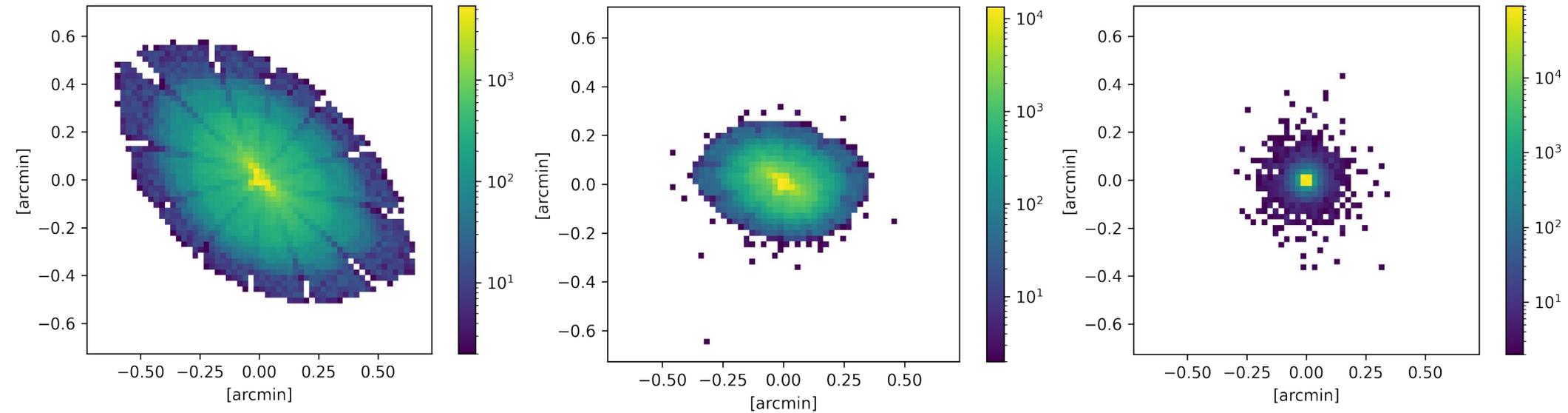
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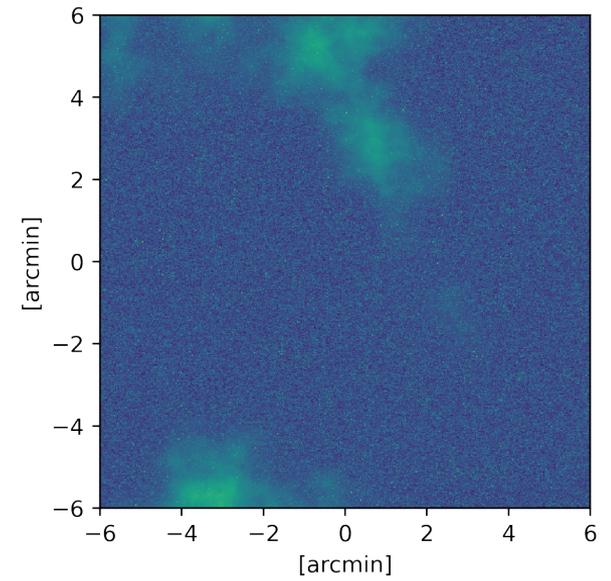


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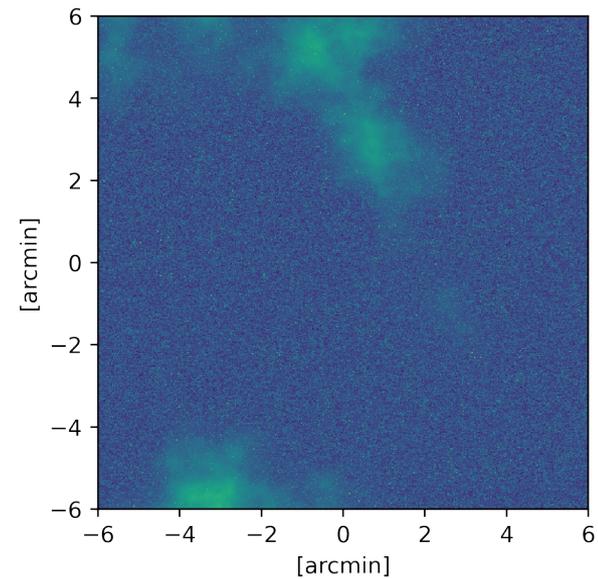
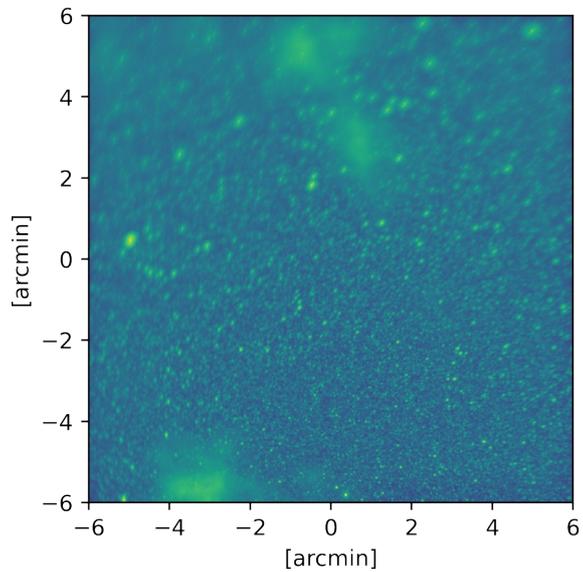
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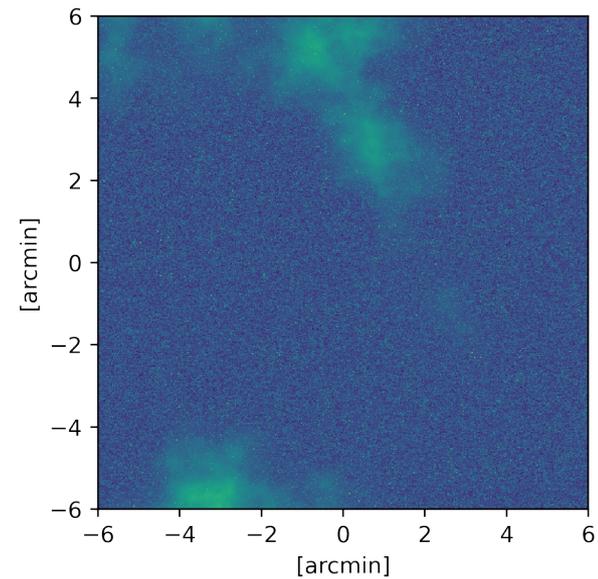
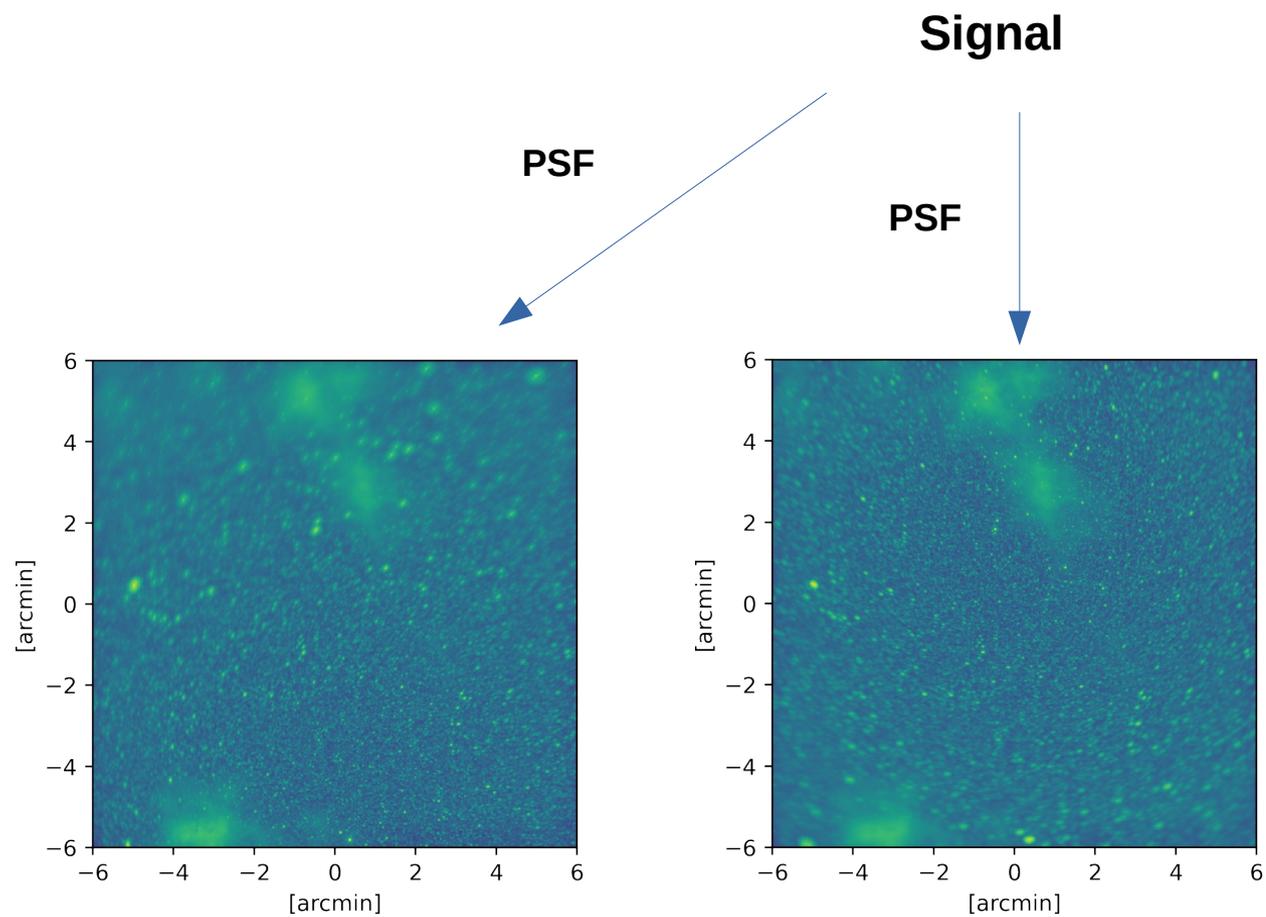
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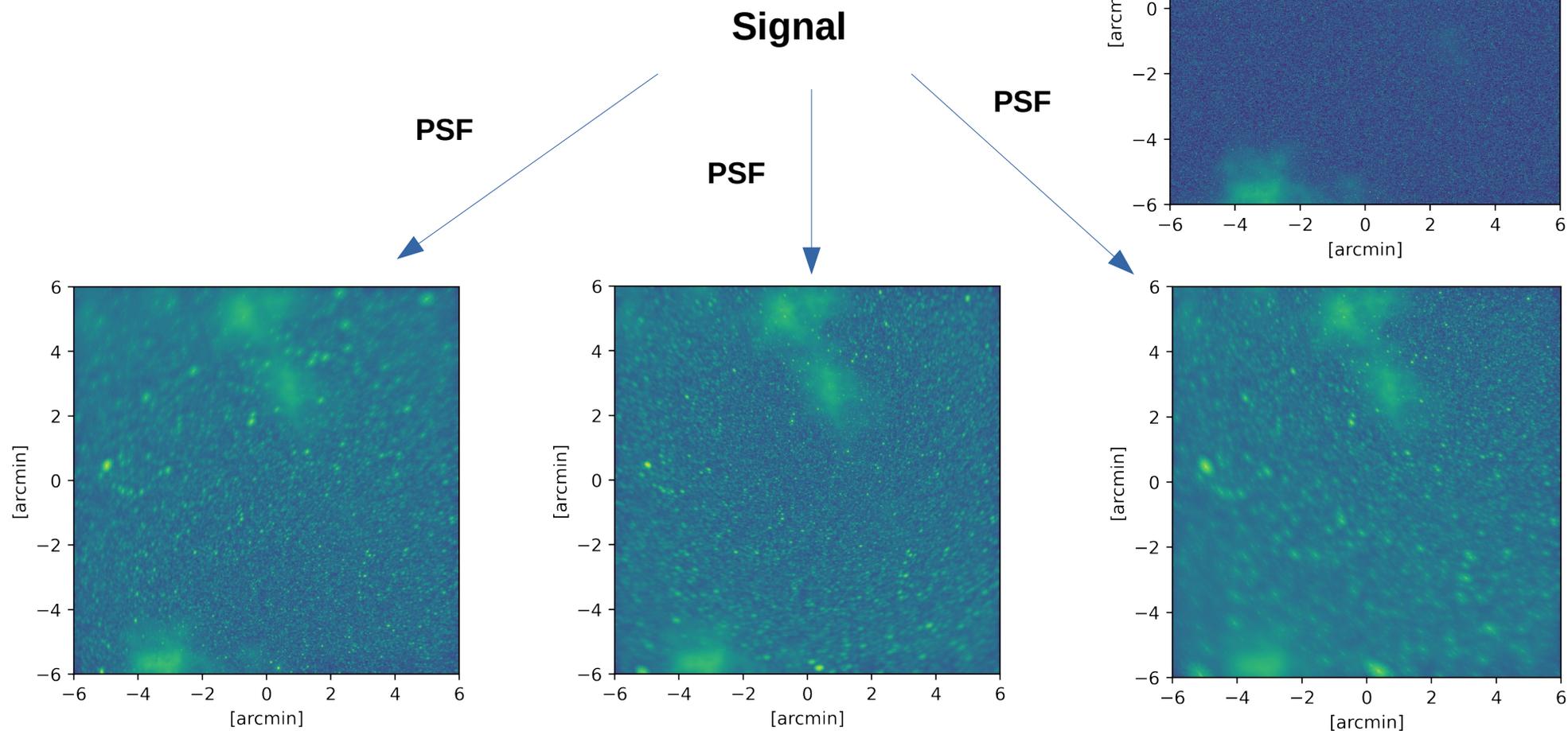
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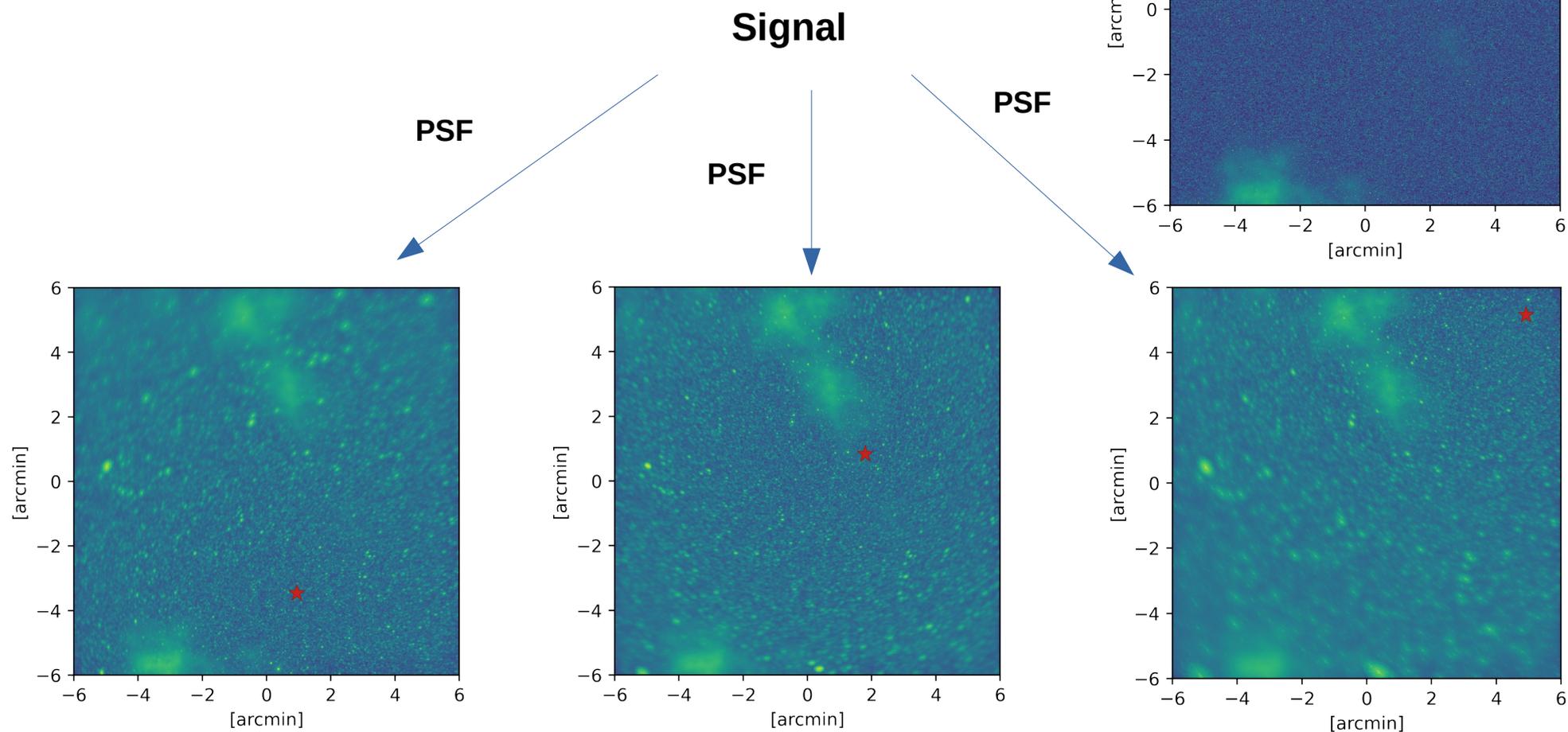
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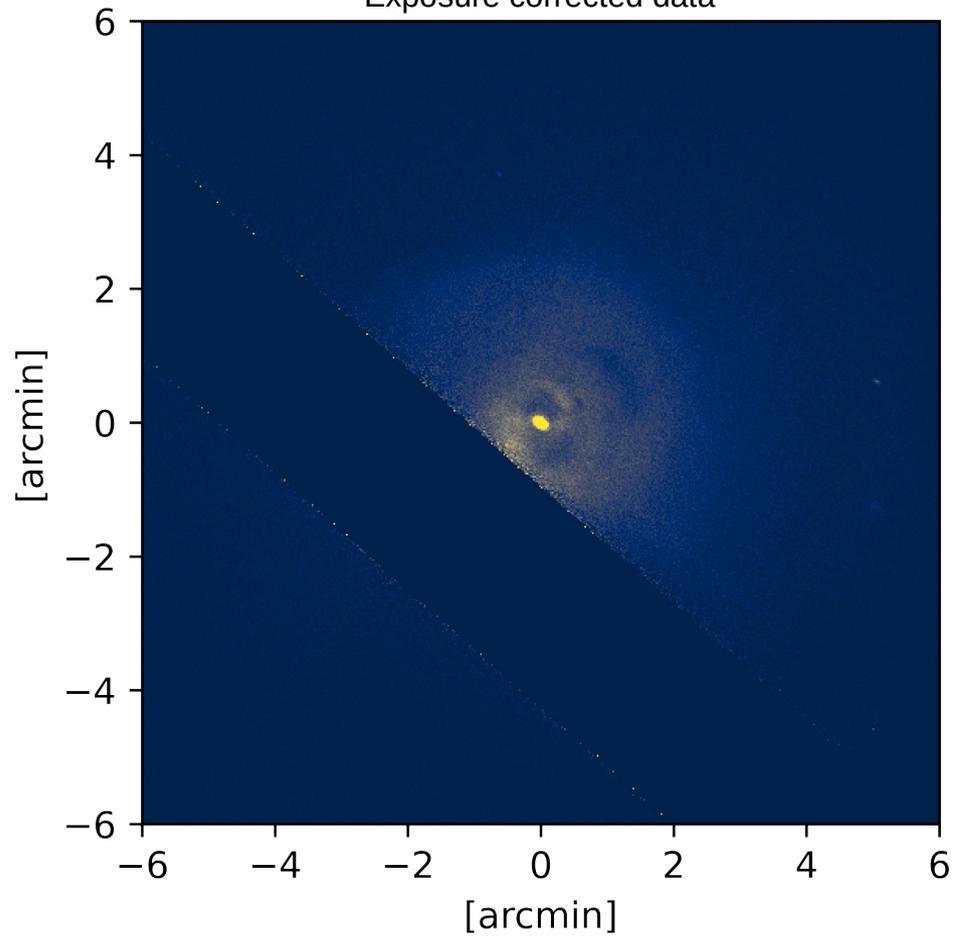
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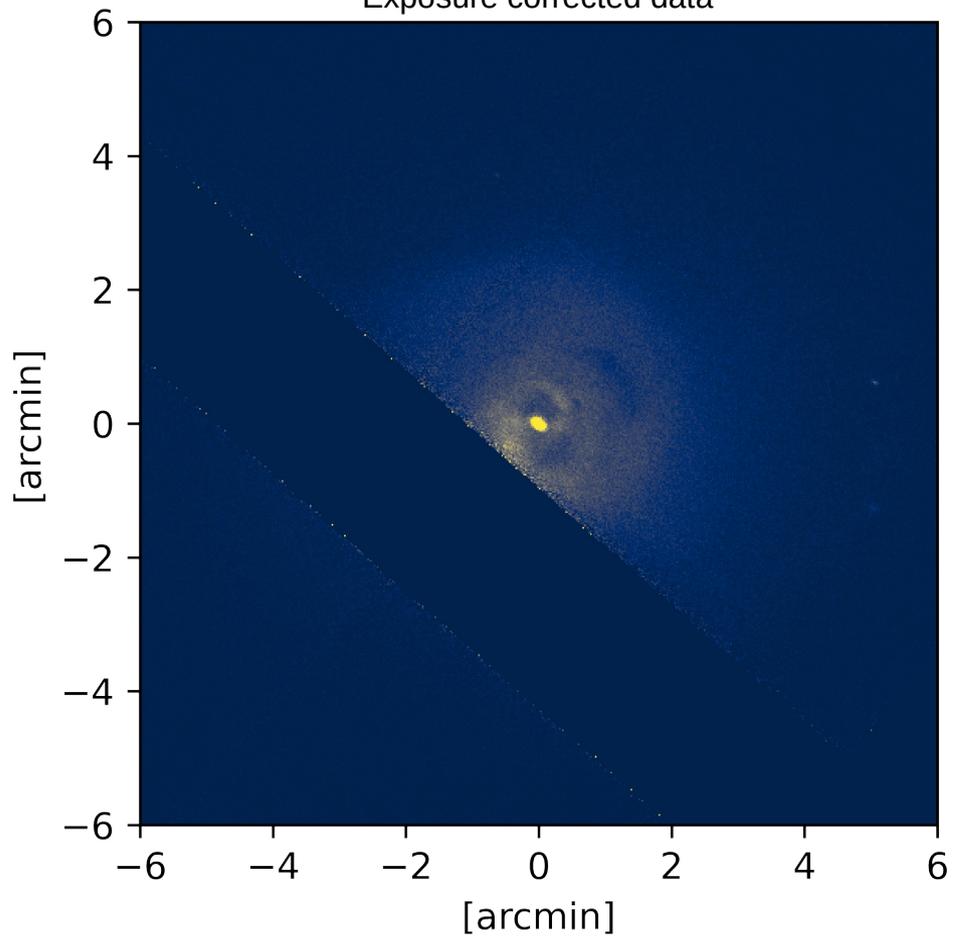
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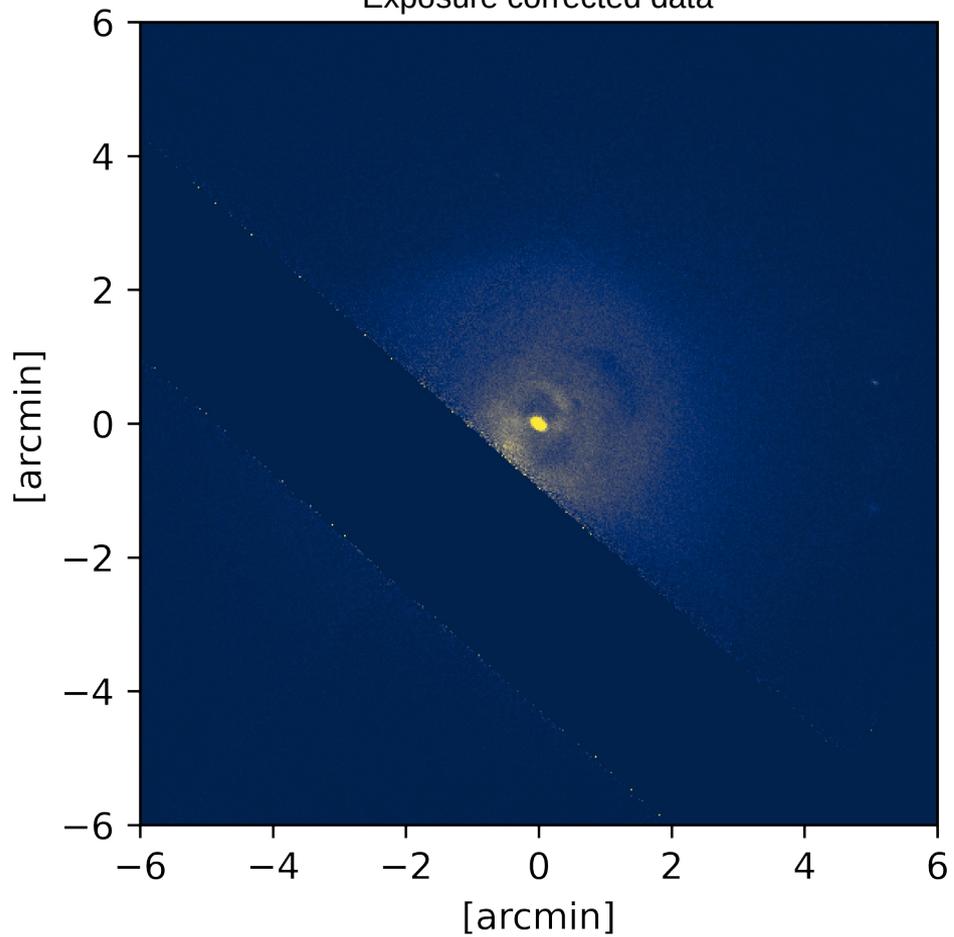
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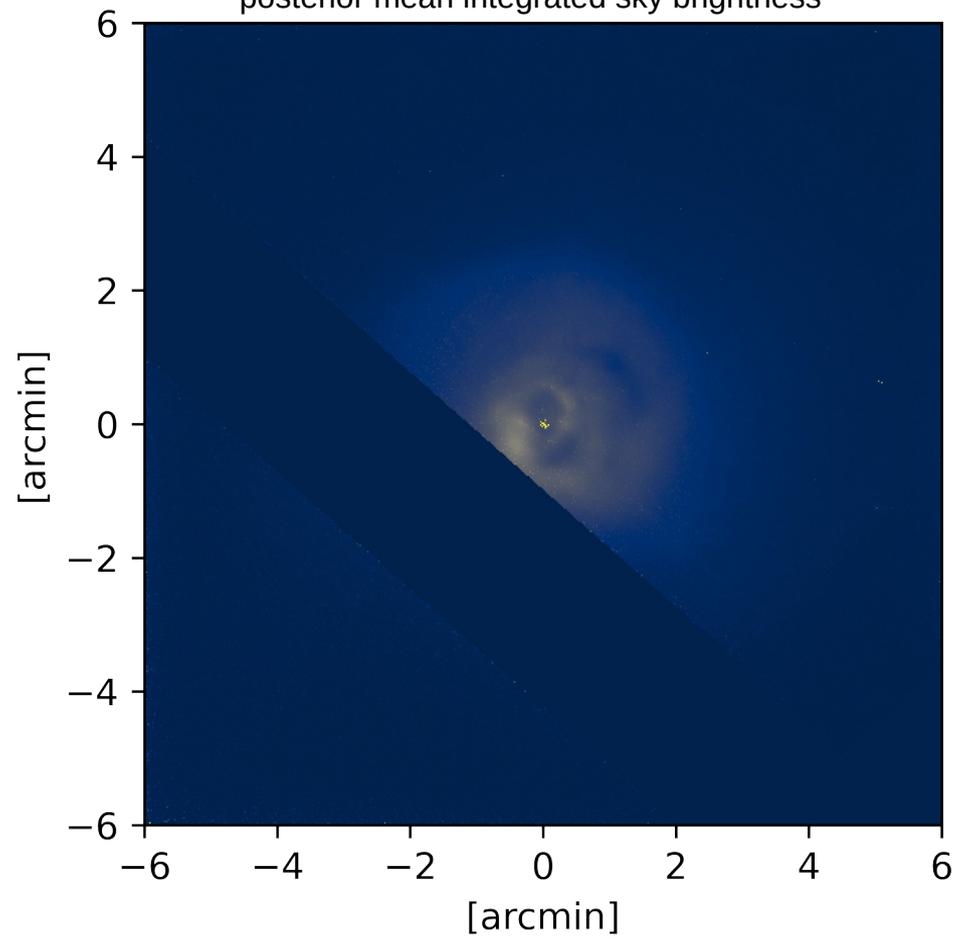


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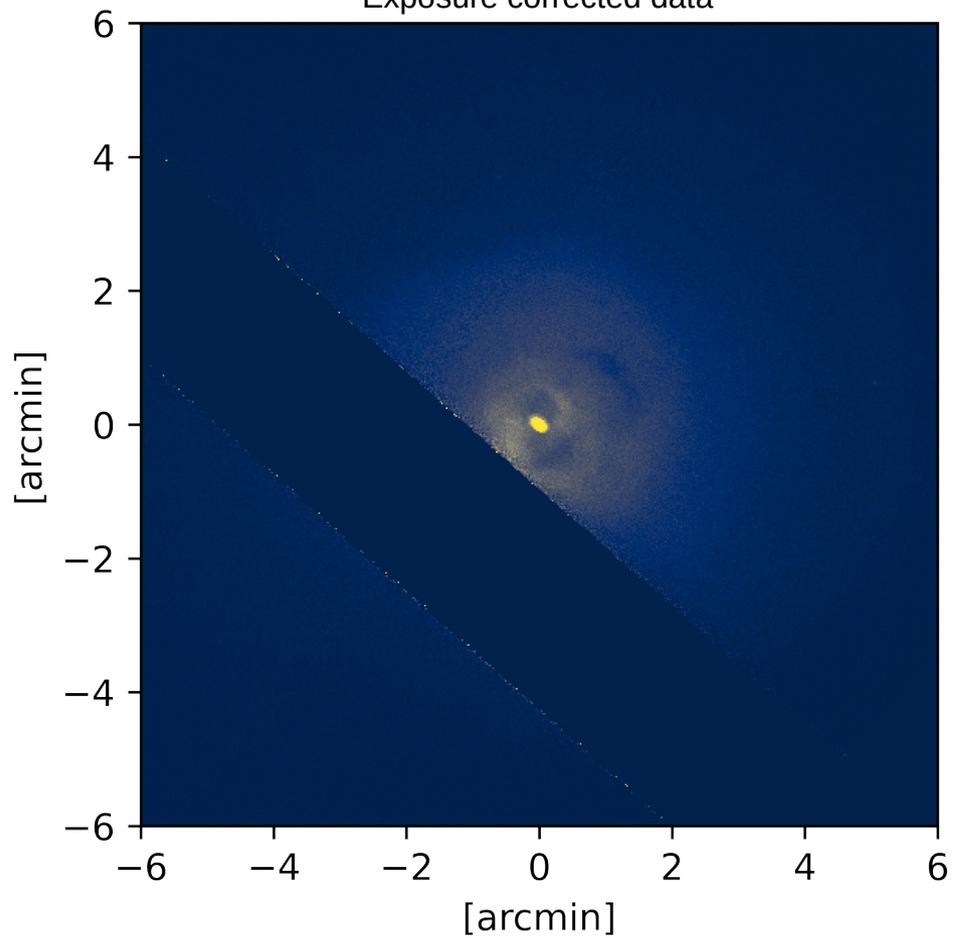


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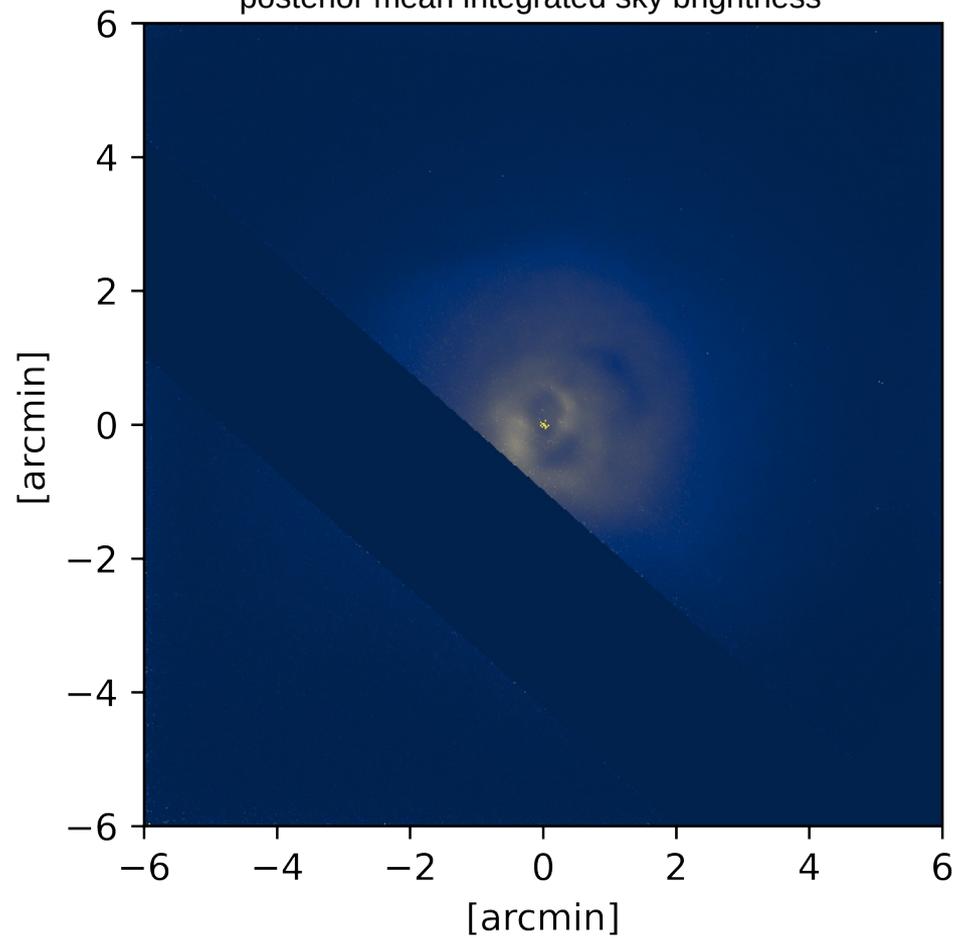


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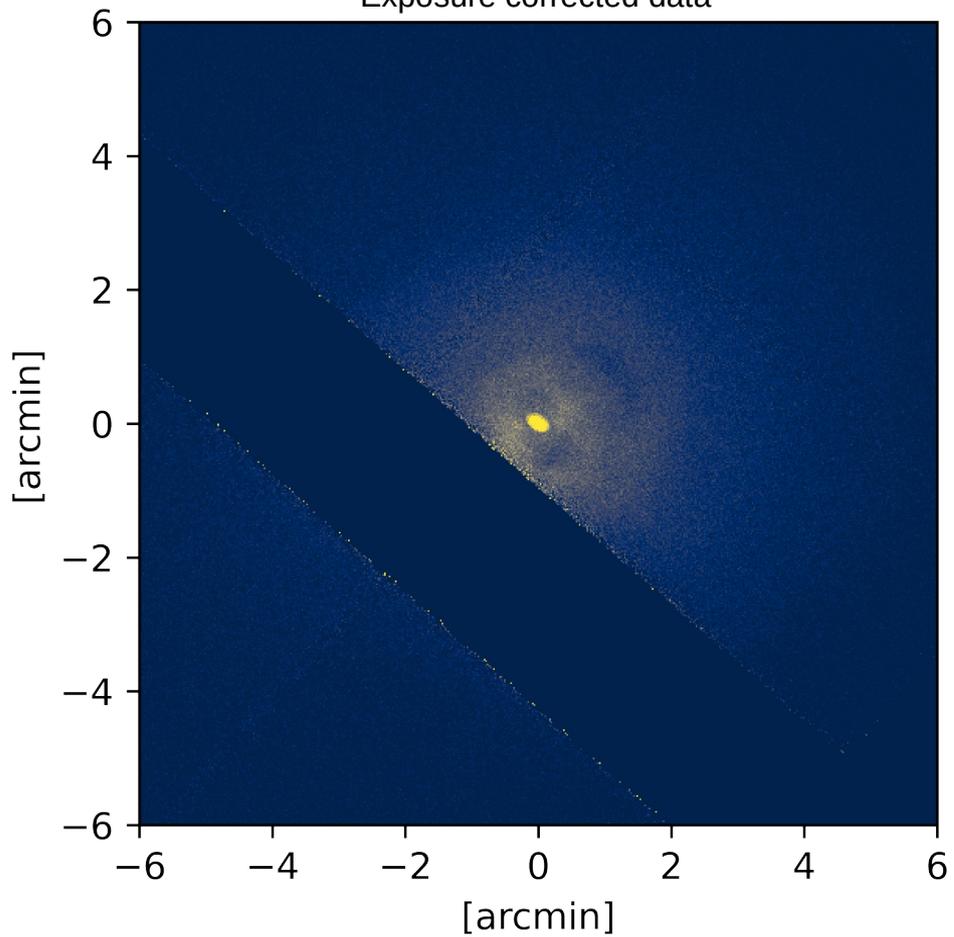


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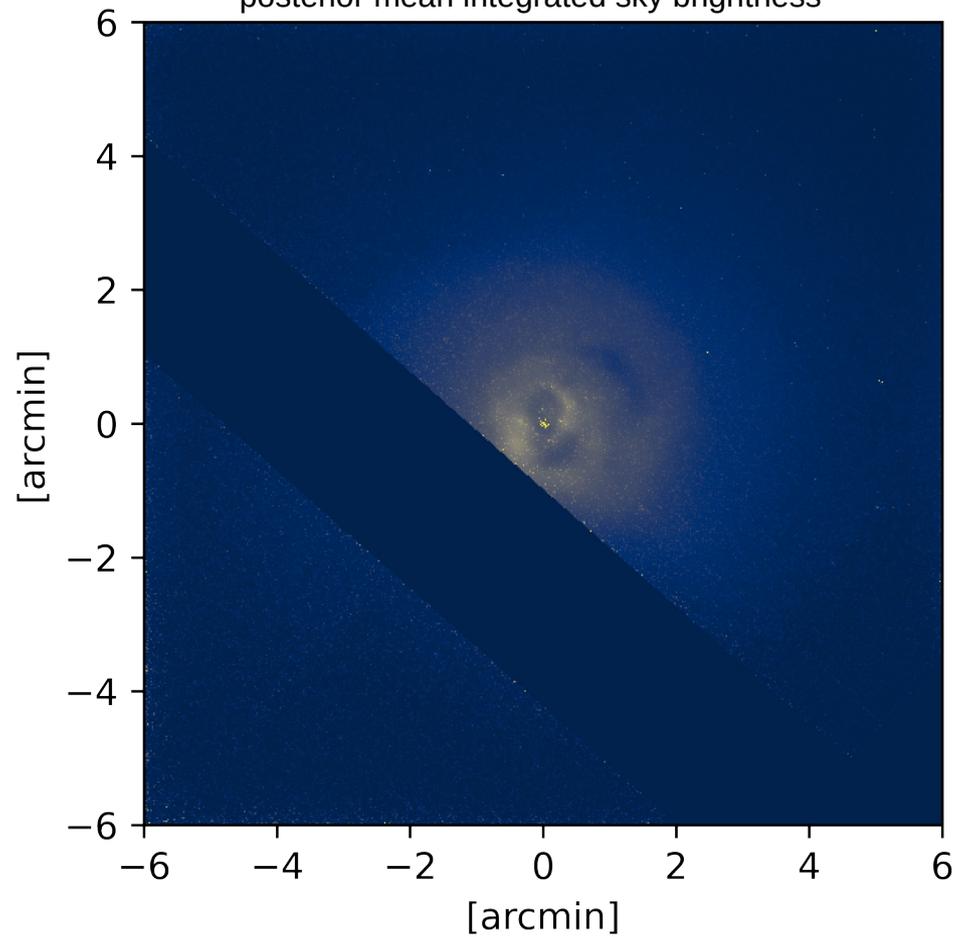


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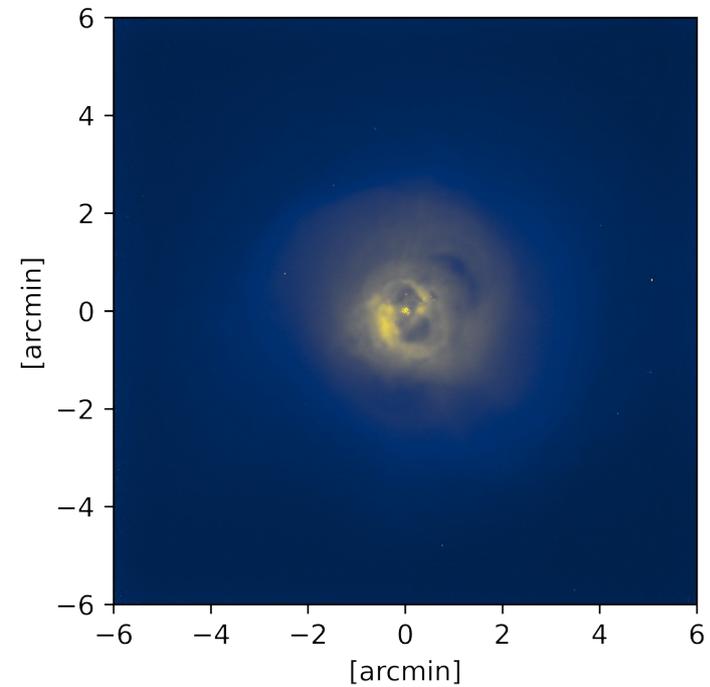
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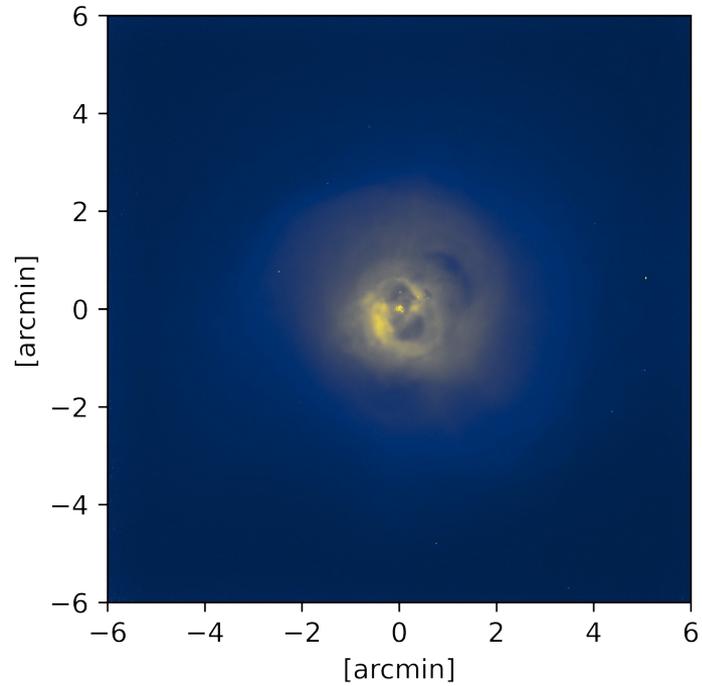
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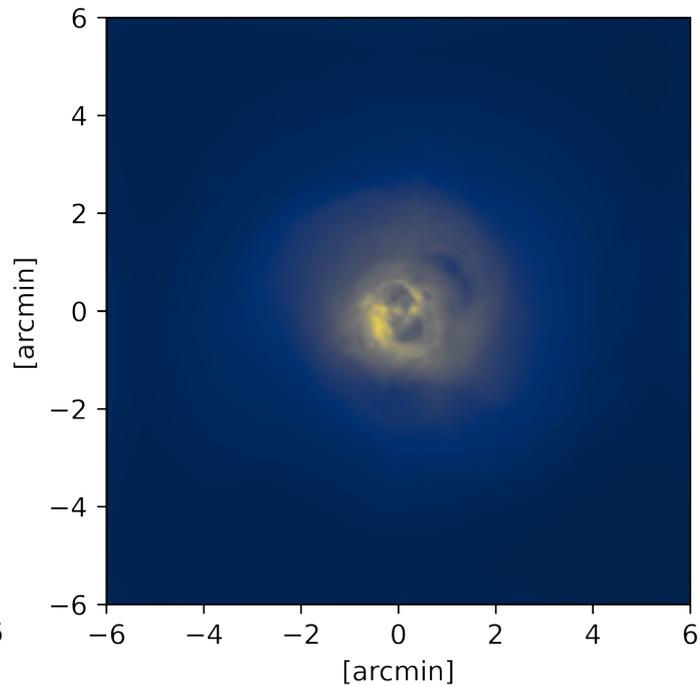
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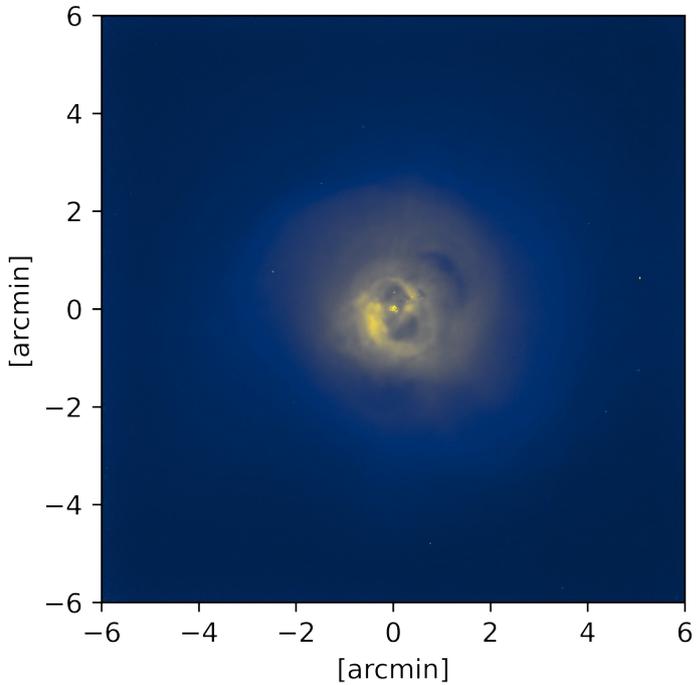
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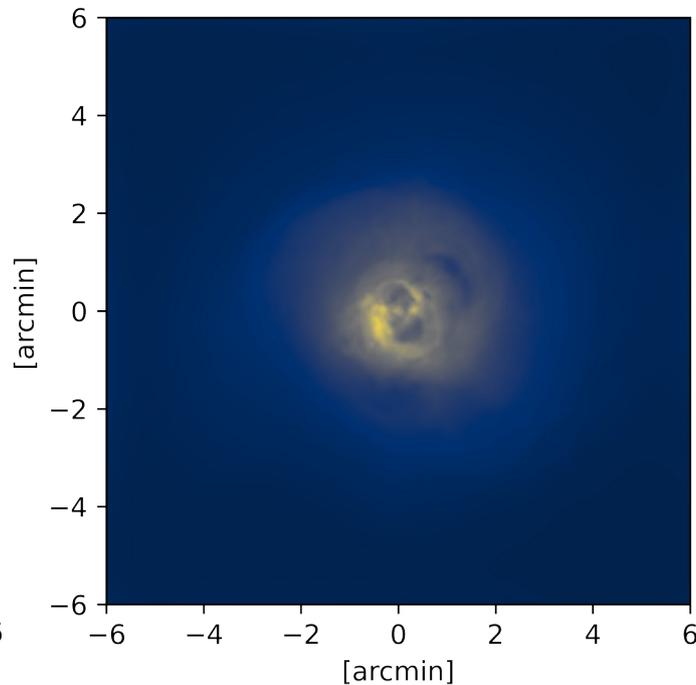
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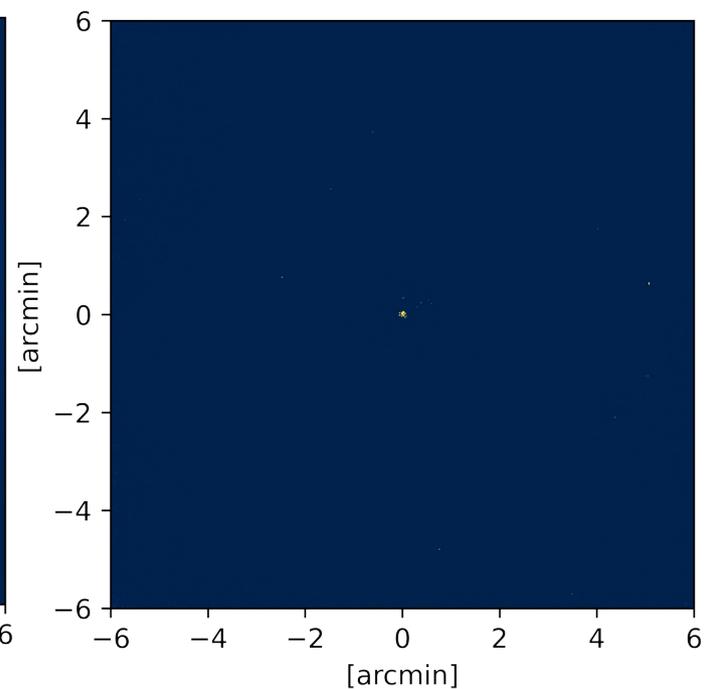
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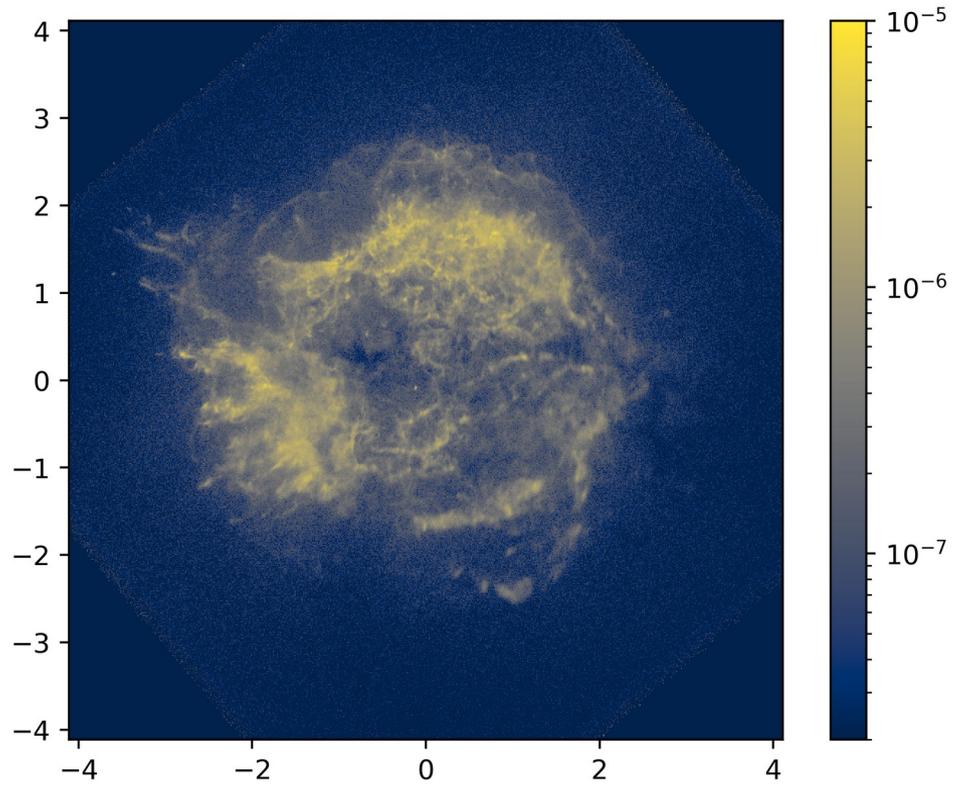
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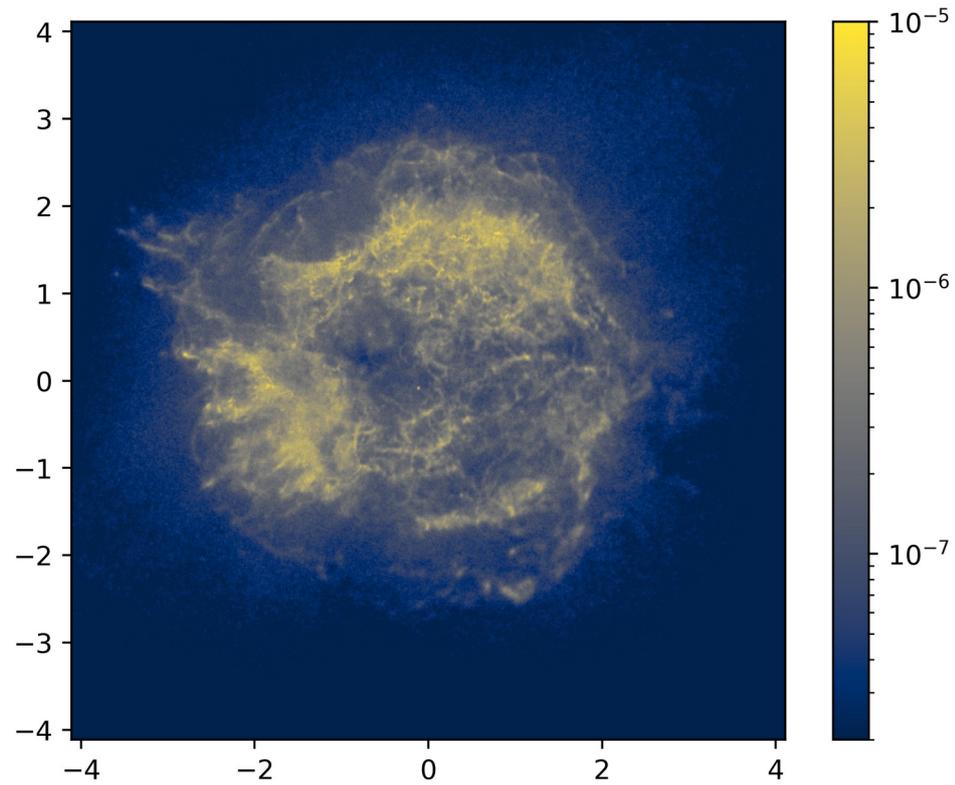
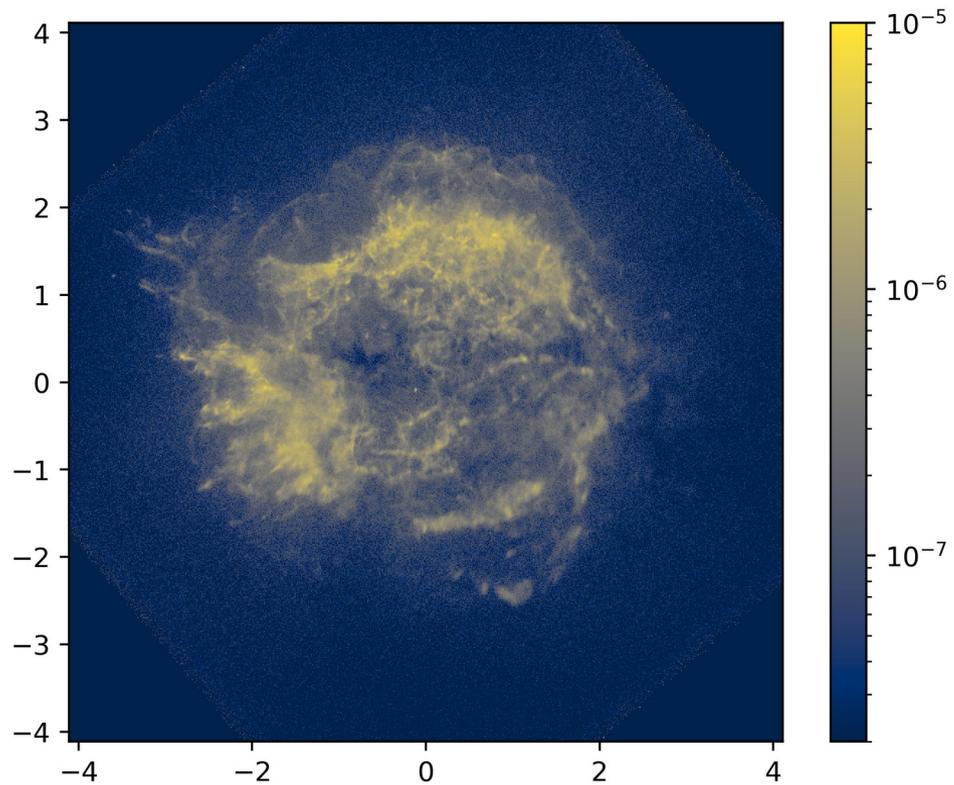
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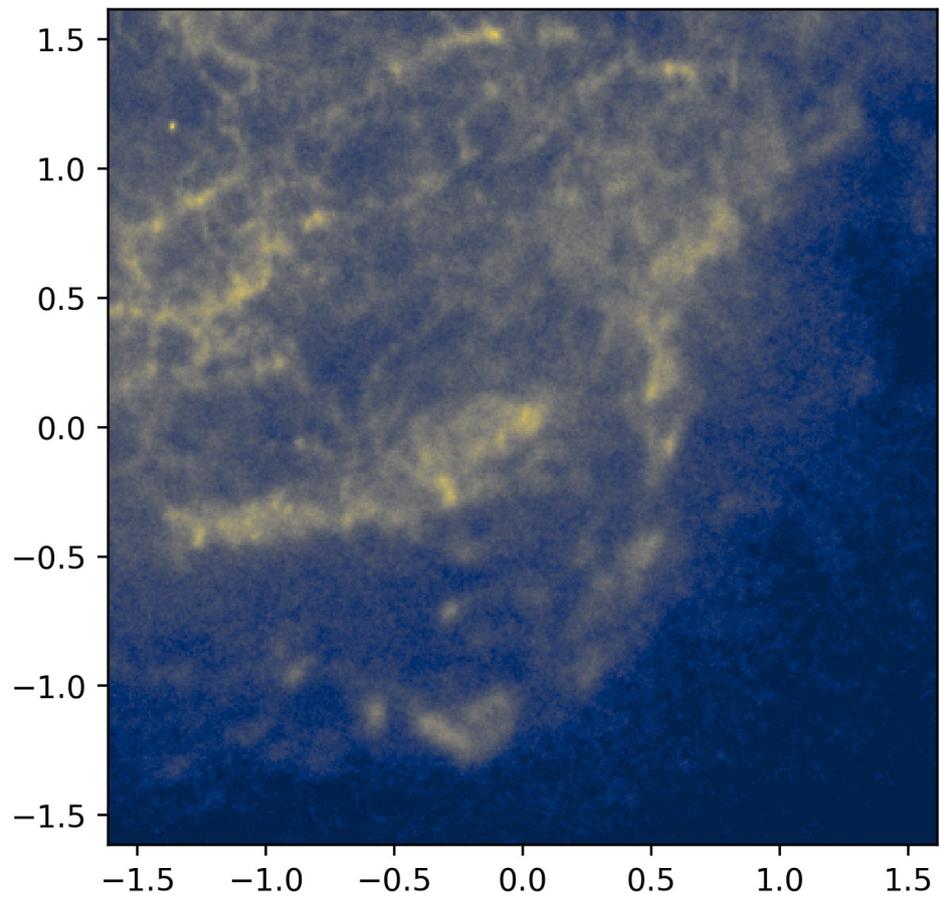
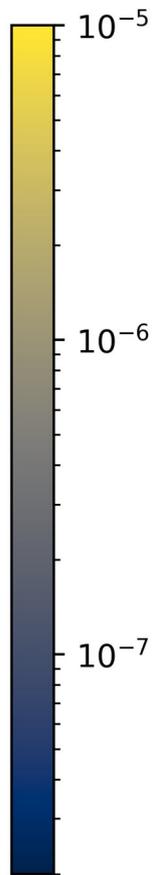
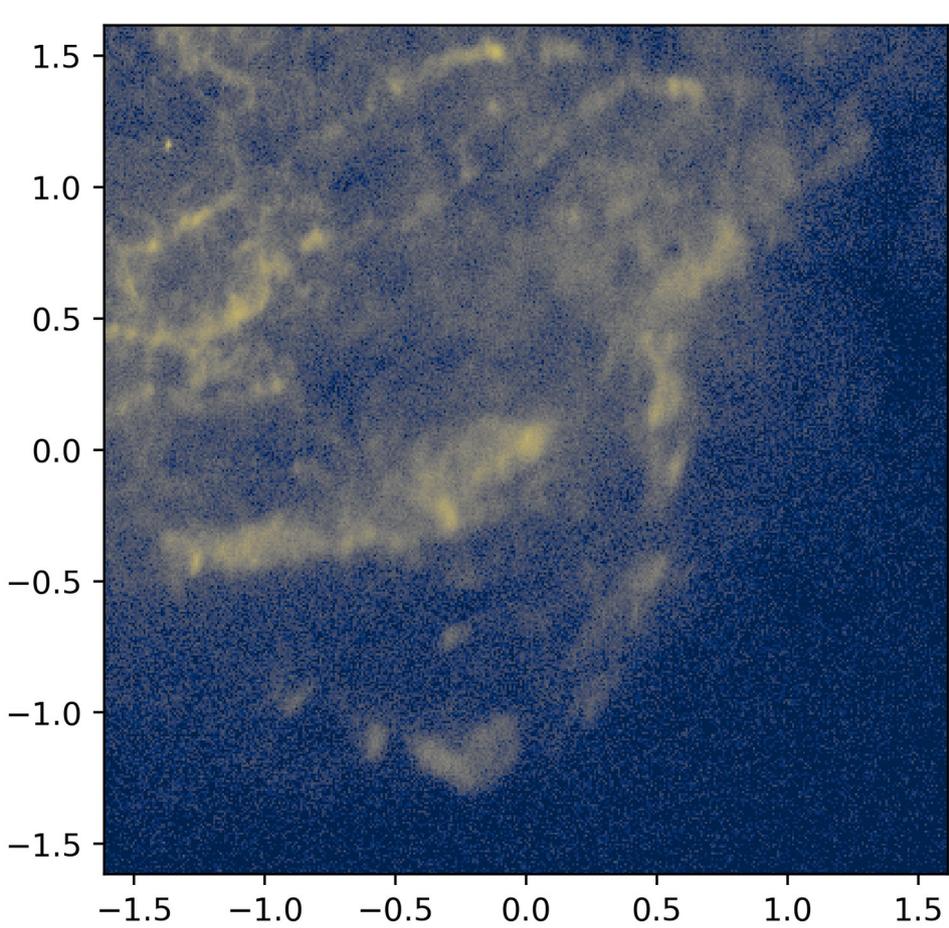


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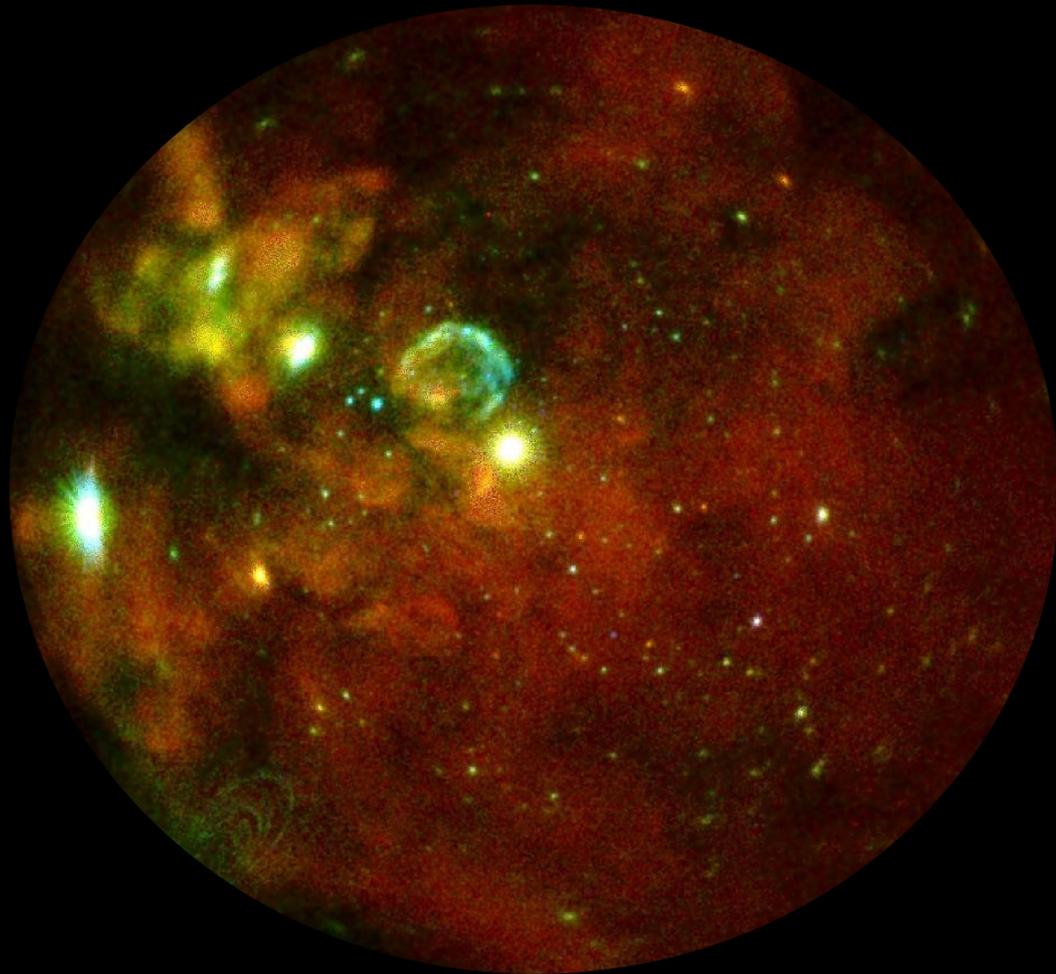
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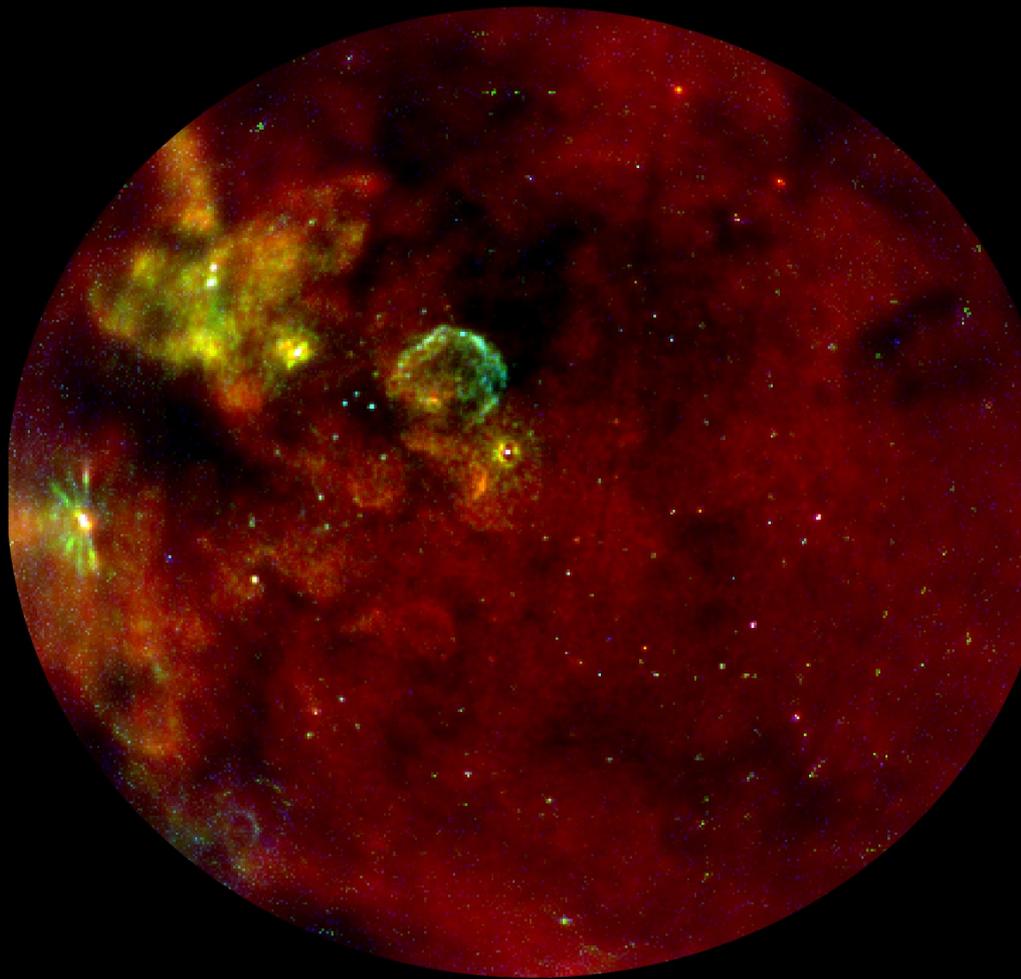
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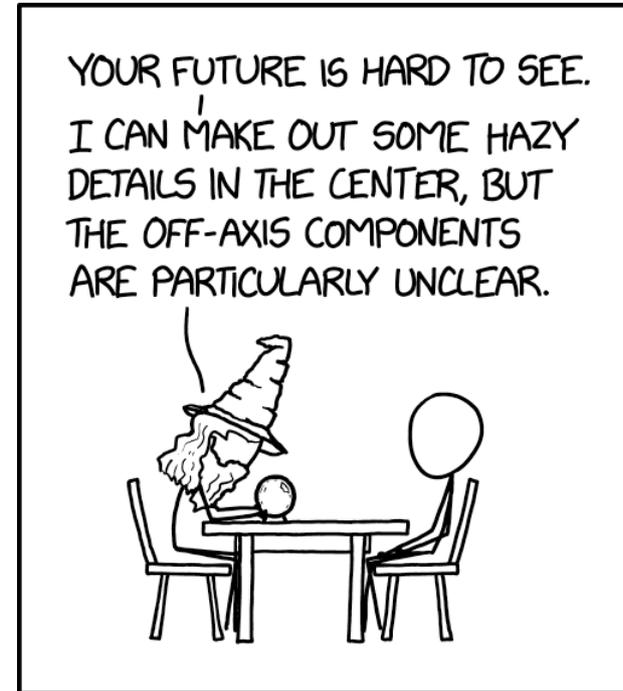
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# You want to know more about PSF Representation, IFT or NIFTy?

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