

Checklist for basic LAT likelihood analysis

LAT photon data file

- Position and region size
- Energy range
- time interval
- Event class

LAT spacecraft data file

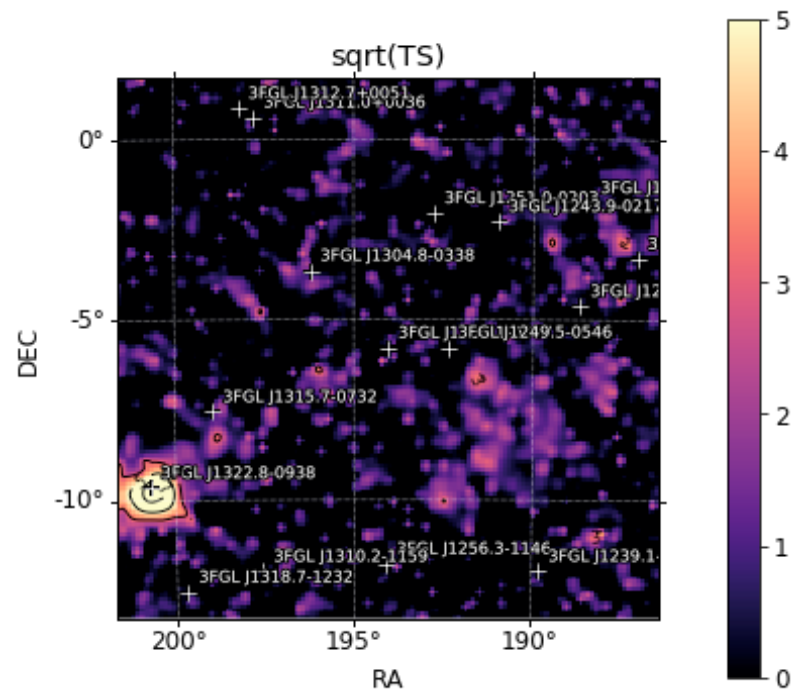
Analysis choices, e.g. fermiPy configuration file

- Data Selection (again)
 - event class, type/IRFs
 - zenith angle
 - Data region size (e.g. full width of square)
 - time interval
- Region model (region size for modeled sources and catalogs)
- Spectral model
- Spatial and energy bin sizes for likelihood calculation

First steps

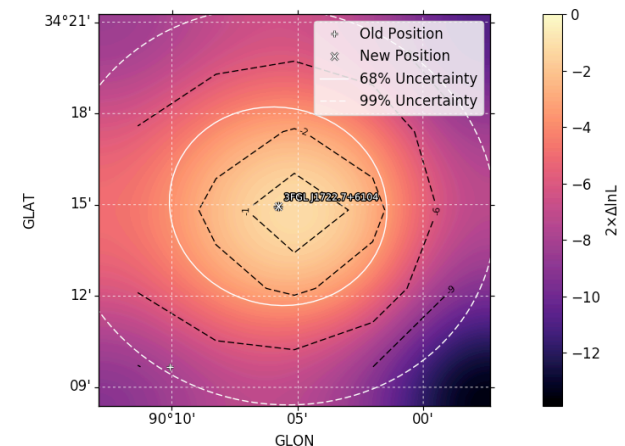
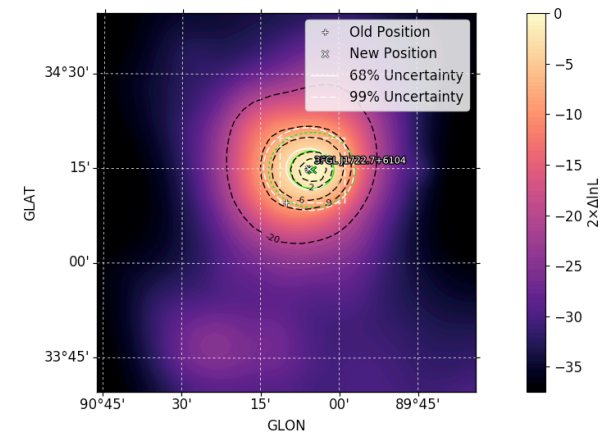
- **Source detection**

$$TS = 2(\ln \mathcal{L}_1 - \ln \mathcal{L}_0) \sim \chi^2(1)$$



First steps

- **Localization**
- E.g., `fermiPy localize()` method
 - Localization performed by scanning likelihood surface for source position in a local patch around nominal position.
 - **TS Map Scan**
 - Grid of likelihood results around nominal source position (all background parameters fixed)
 - **Likelihood Scan**
 - Refine by scanning likelihood surface around best-fit location (full likelihood fit refitting all free parameters at each location)
 - Can generate confidence contours



First steps

- Changing the ROI model, e.g. spectral shape
 - Source components of the model can be configured and modified in fermiPy in the config.yaml or by adding and deleting sources at run time.

```
model:

  src_radius: 5
  src_roiwidth: 15.0
  catalogs :
    - '3FGL'
    - 'my_extra_sources.xml'
  sources :
    - { name: 'SourceA', glon : 120.0, glat : -3.0,
        SpectrumType : 'PowerLaw', Index : 2.0, Scale : 1000,
        Prefactor : { value : 1.0, scale : !!float 1e-11, free :
'0' },
        SpatialModel: 'PointSource' }
```

If a source is defined in multiple catalogs,
the source definition from the last file in the catalogs list takes precedence.

Second steps

- Pulsars/Binaries
 - Spectral shape
 - Apply rotational or orbital phase information
 - Energy-dependent pulse profile
 - Phase-resolved spectra
 - Long-term lightcurves

Second steps

- AGN/blazars
 - Spectral shape
 - Long term lightcurves
 - Spectral evolution during flares
 - Timing features of flares and multiwavelength correlations

Second steps

- Pulsar Wind Nebula/Supernova Remnants/OB associations
 - Spatial extension/Morphology
 - Spectral features
 - Energy dependent morphology
 - Spatially resolved spectrum

Second steps

- Your favorite source...