

# Global and local high-resolution magnetic field inversion using spherical harmonic models of individual sources

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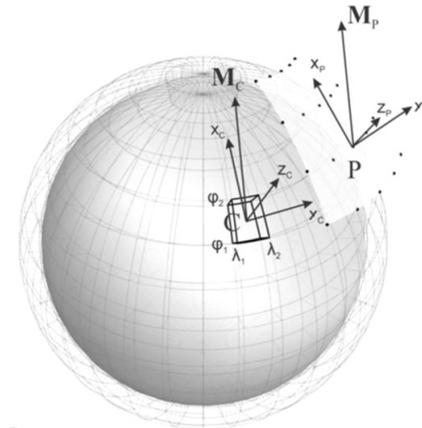
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# Issues of a global magnetic inversion

- Long-wavelength lithospheric signal is mixed with the core field
- Not enough computer memory for high-resolution inversion
- No possibility of consistent combination with airborne data

# Inversion algorithm with tesseroids

- Calculate the effect of each tesseroid from a crustal/lithospheric model
- Convert the effect in SH model
- Filter SH model of each tesseroid (truncate at degree  $n = 15$ )
- Solve  $\mathbf{d}_{SHC} = \mathbf{A}_{SHC} \cdot \mathbf{x}$



# Projected gradient inversion

- The optimization problem is

(from [Lin, 2007](#))

$$\min_{\mathbf{x} \geq 0} \|\mathbf{A}_{SHC} \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{d}_{SHC}\|_2^2$$

- Solution is found by

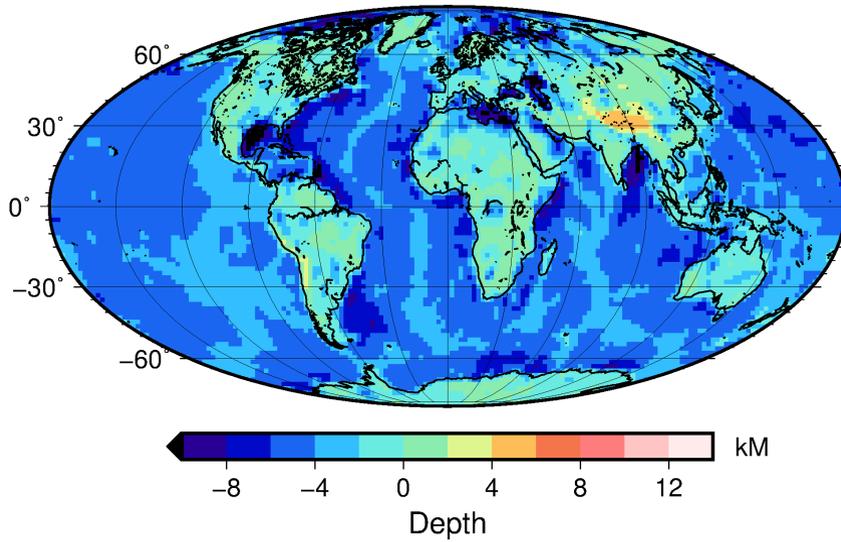
$$\mathbf{x}^{k+1} = P_{\Omega} \{ \mathbf{x}^k - \alpha_k \cdot \text{Grad}(\mathbf{x}^k) \},$$

where

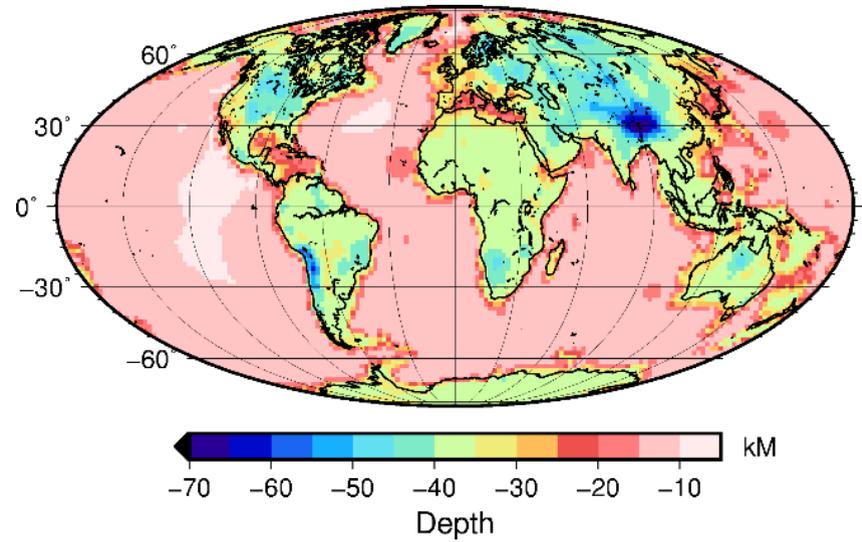
$$P_{\Omega} \{ \mathcal{N} \} = \begin{cases} \mathcal{N} & \text{if } \mathcal{N} > 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } \mathcal{N} \leq 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Grad}(\mathbf{x}^k) = \mathbf{A}_{SHC}^T \mathbf{A}_{SHC} \mathbf{x}^k - \mathbf{A}_{SHC}^T \mathbf{d}_{SHC}$$

# Synthetic induced magnetization model: geometry



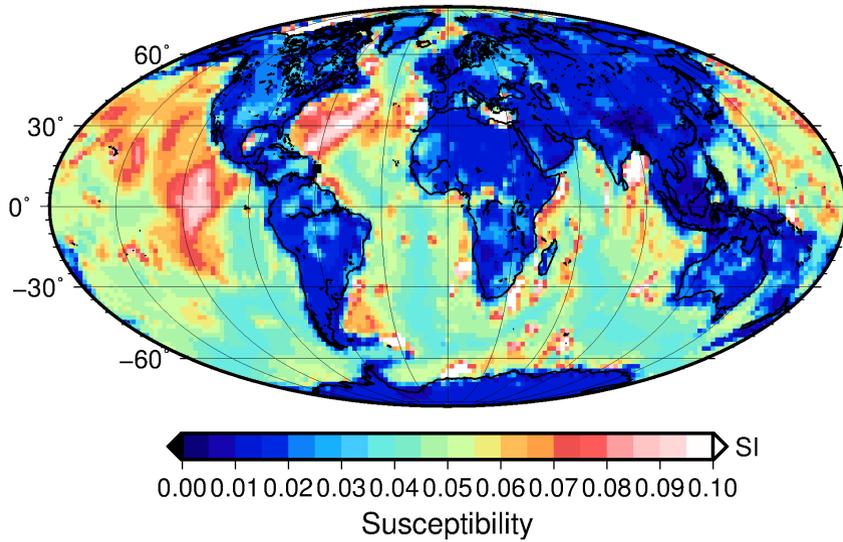
Basement depth taken from CRUST1.0 ([Laske et al., 2013](#)).



Moho depth taken from ([Szwilius et al., 2019](#))

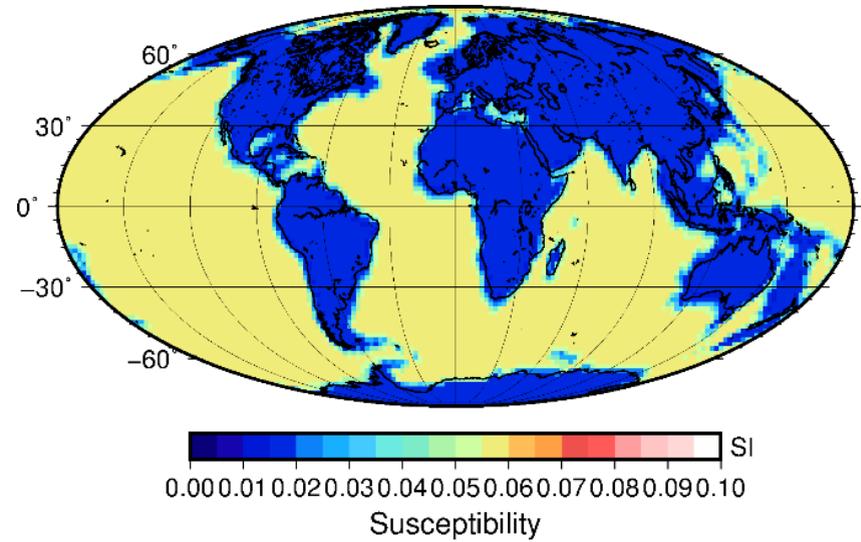
Discretized by one layer of 2° width tesseroids (16200 tesseroids)

# Synthetic induced magnetization model: susceptibility from Hemant



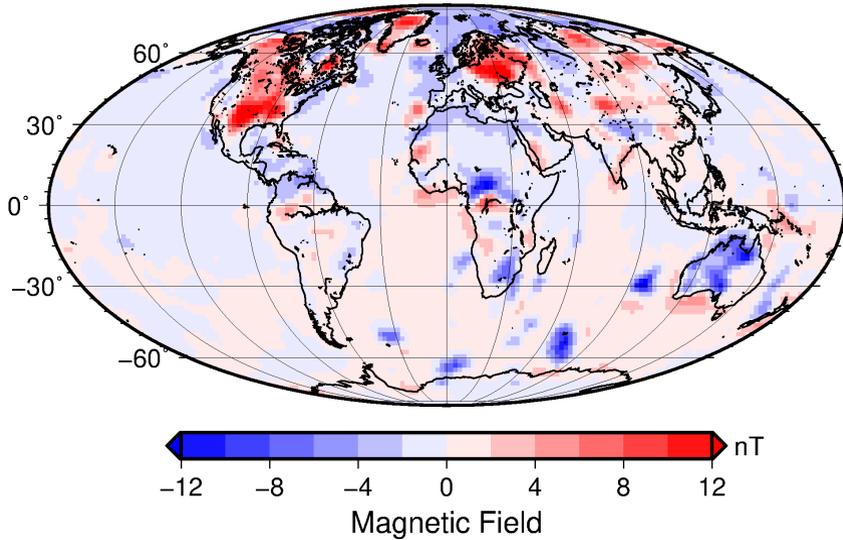
Susceptibility based on Vertically integrated susceptibility model ([Hemant & Maus, 2005](#))

Later referred as  $\mathbf{x}_H^0$  or true model



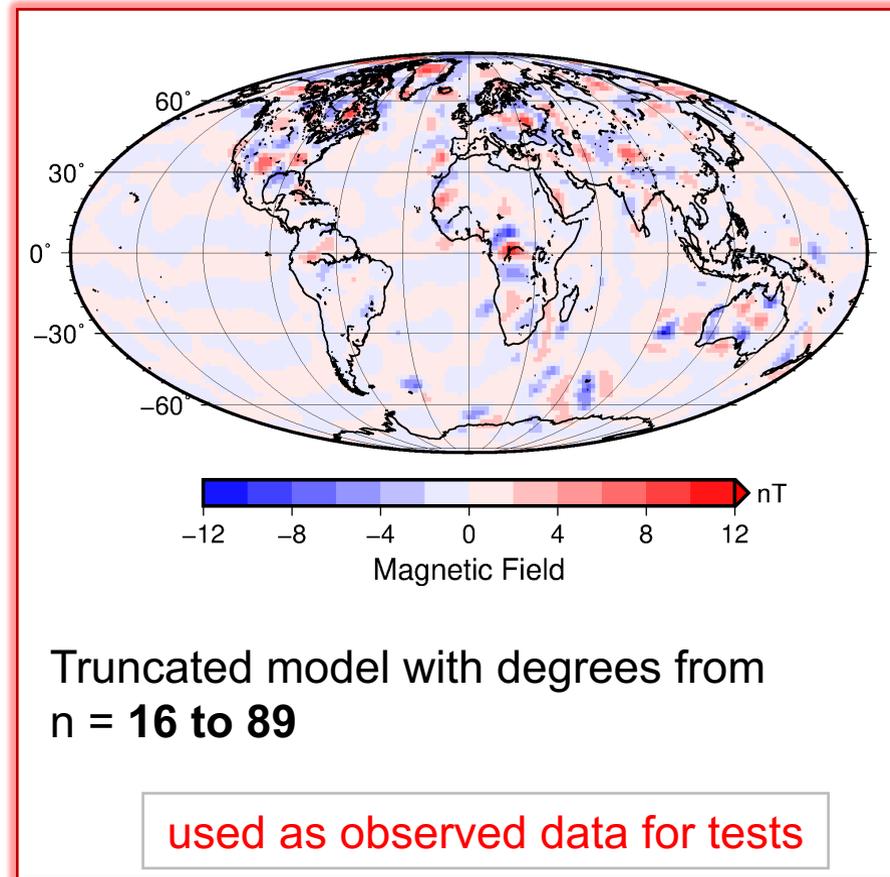
Initial guess  $\mathbf{x}_A^0$  with averaged susceptibilities from Hemant VIS-based initial guess  $\mathbf{x}_H^0$ . Crustal domain boundaries are taken from age of the oceanic crust map ([Müller et al., 2018](#))

# Synthetic induced magnetization model: magnetic field



All spherical harmonic degrees from  $n = 1$  to 89

(also field of a true model  $\mathbf{x}_H^0$ )

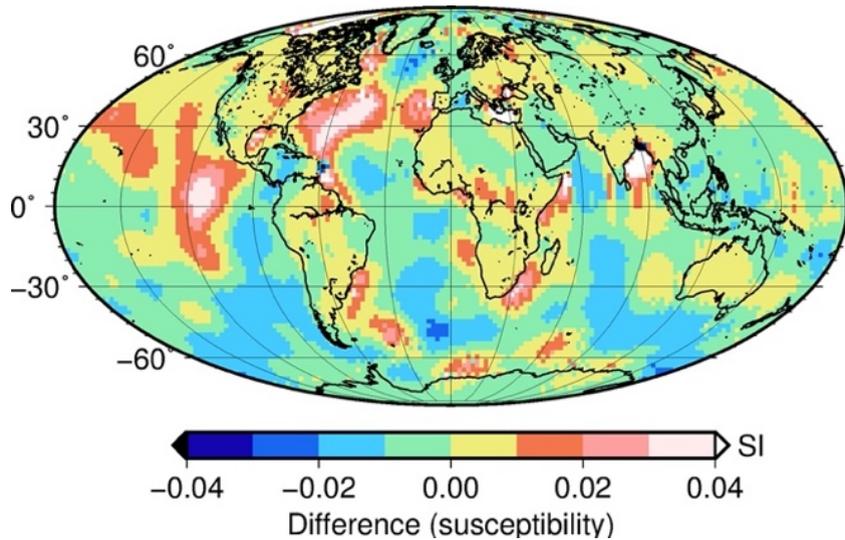


Truncated model with degrees from  $n = 16$  to 89

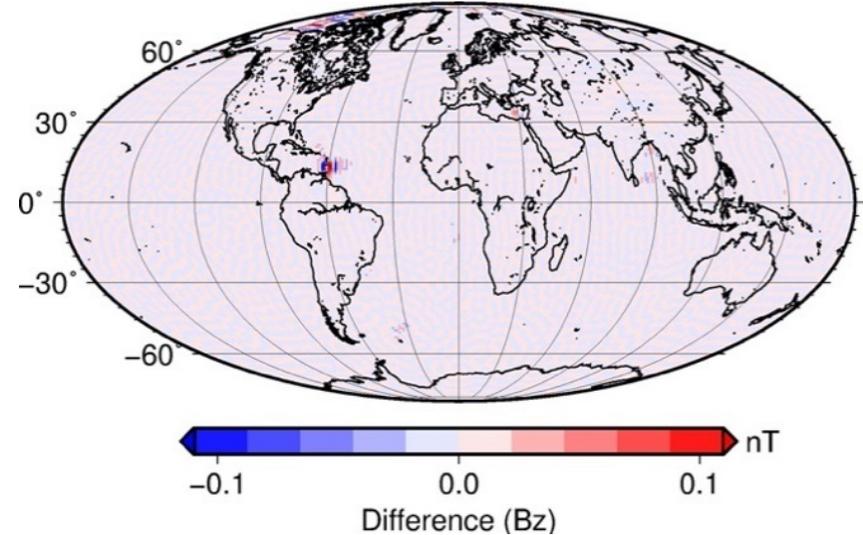
used as observed data for tests

Note removed long-wavelength signal

# Inversion: averaged susceptibilities for oceanic and continental crust as an initial guess



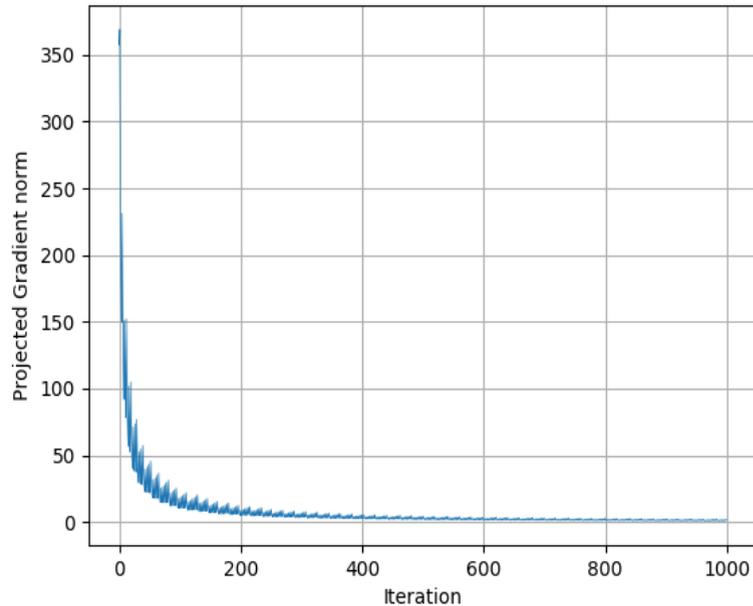
Difference between the true model  $x_H^0$  and the inversion result  $x_A^N$



Difference between the observed magnetic field and the field of the inversion result  $x_A^N$ , degrees  $n > 15$

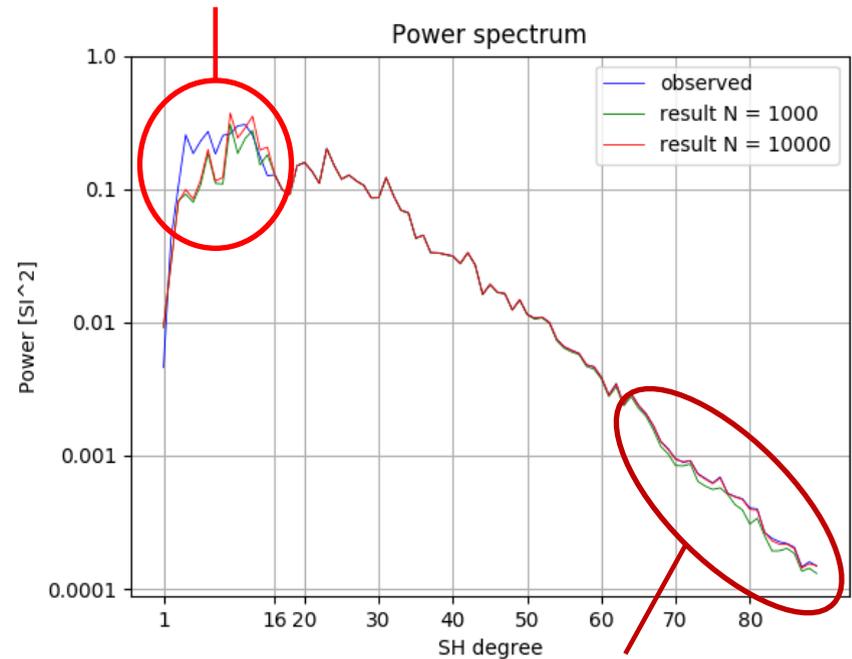
Inversion: averaged susceptibilities for oceanic and continental crust as an initial guess ( $\mathbf{x}_A^0$ )

Convergence



Values of projected gradient  $\text{Grad}(\mathbf{x}^k)$  at each iteration (up until iteration  $N=1000$ )

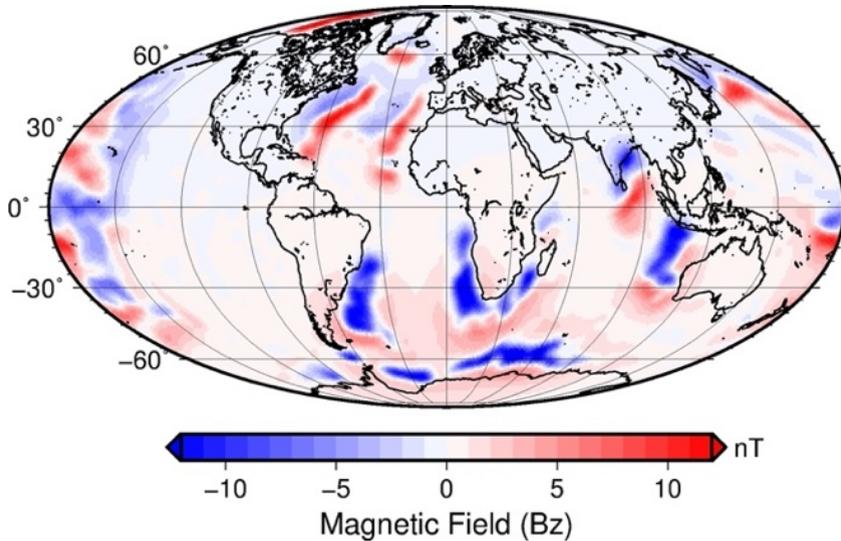
### Major differences in degrees $n < 16$



### Minor differences for lower number of iteration $N=1000$ for degrees $n > 60$

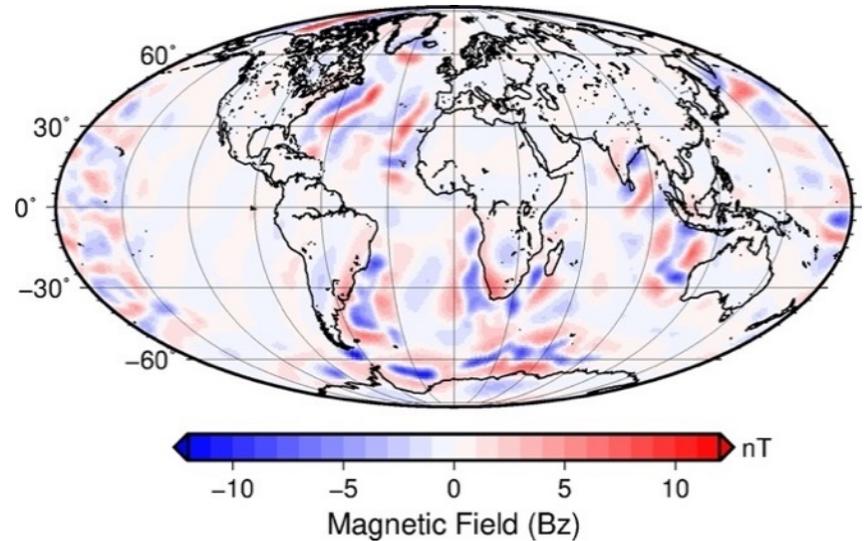
Power spectrum of the observed field SHM and power spectrums of the forward calculated SHM of the inversion result  $\mathbf{x}_A^N$

# Remanent field model



All spherical harmonic degrees from  $n = 1$  to 89

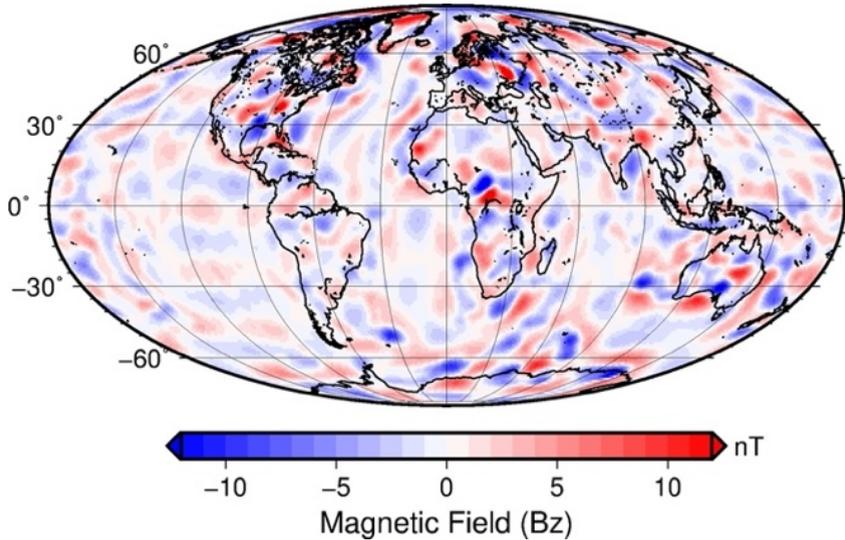
SH model derived from forward calculated  $B_z$  grid with 1 degree spacing of [Masterton et al., 2013](#) remanent magnetization model



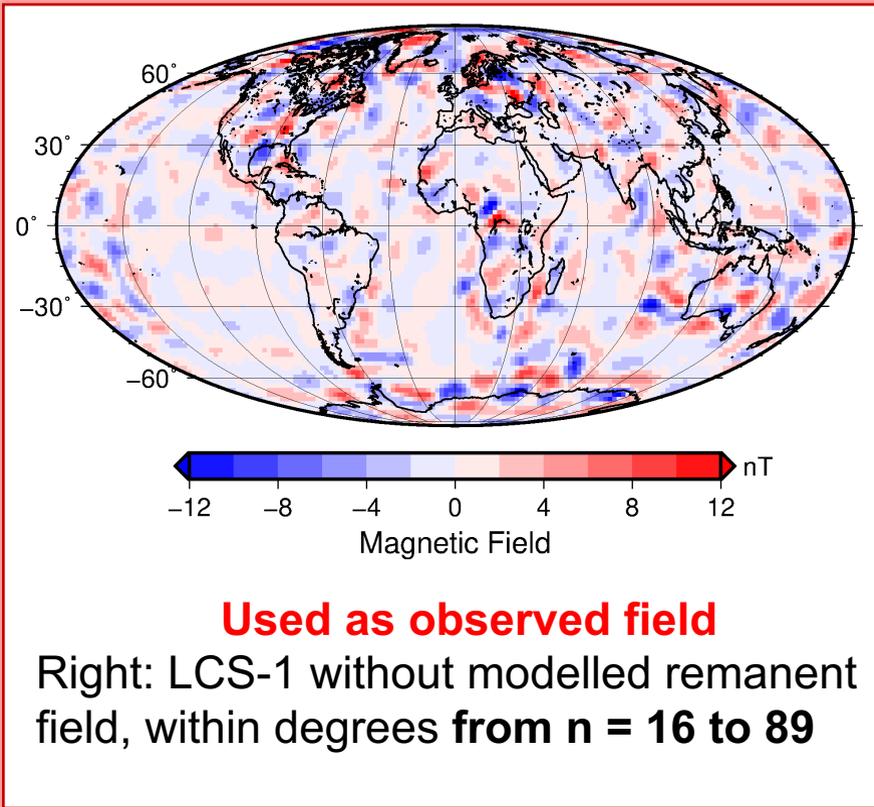
**Subtracted from LCS-1!**

Truncated model with degrees from  $n = 16$  to 89

# LCS-1 without remanent magnetization



Original LCS-1, spherical harmonic degrees from  $n = 16$  to  $89$

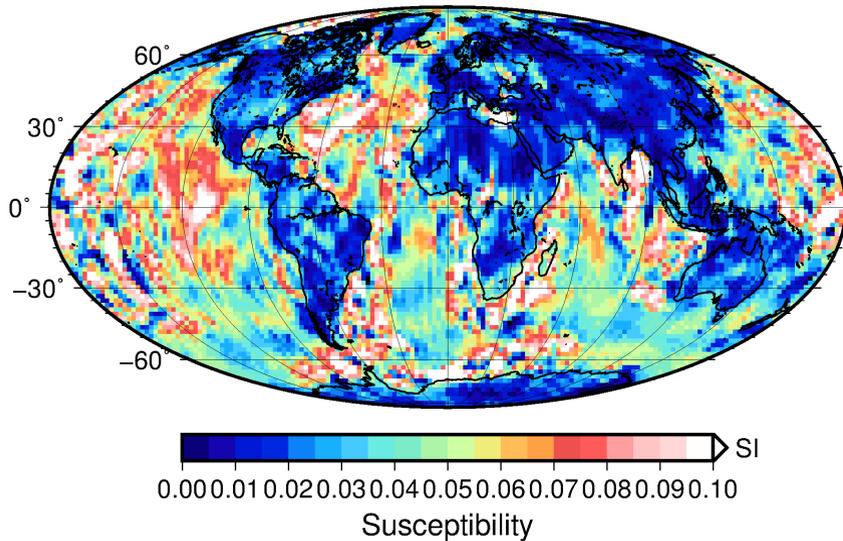


**Used as observed field**

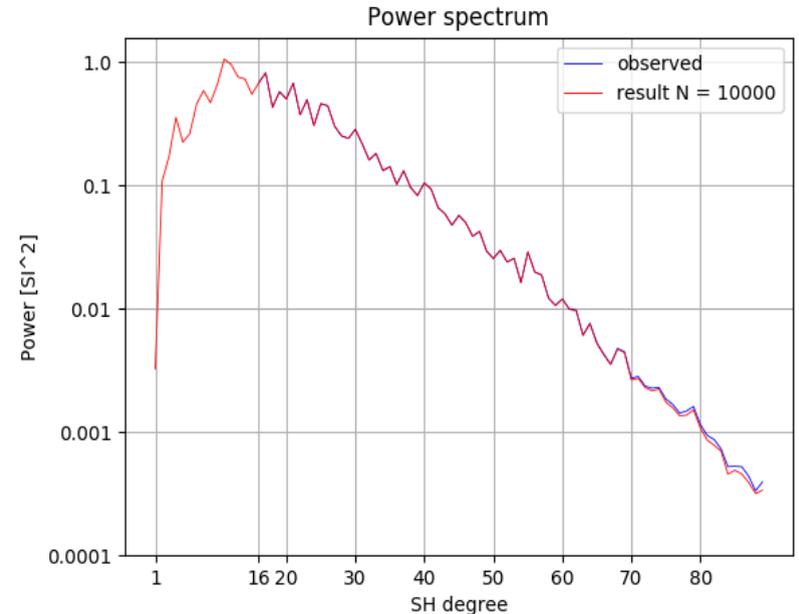
Right: LCS-1 without modelled remanent field, within degrees from  $n = 16$  to  $89$

SH model derived from forward calculated Bz grid with 1 degree spacing

# Inversion: $\mathbf{x}_H^0$ as an initial guess

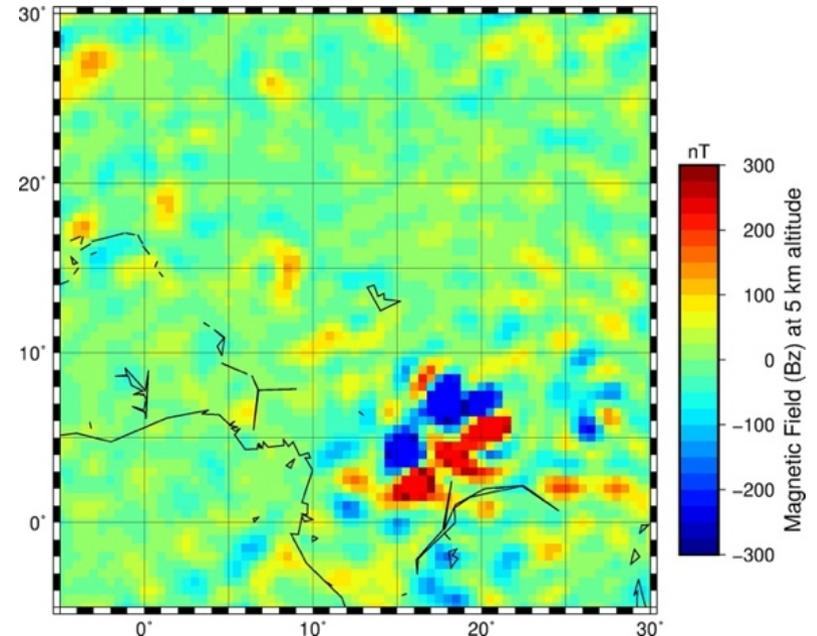
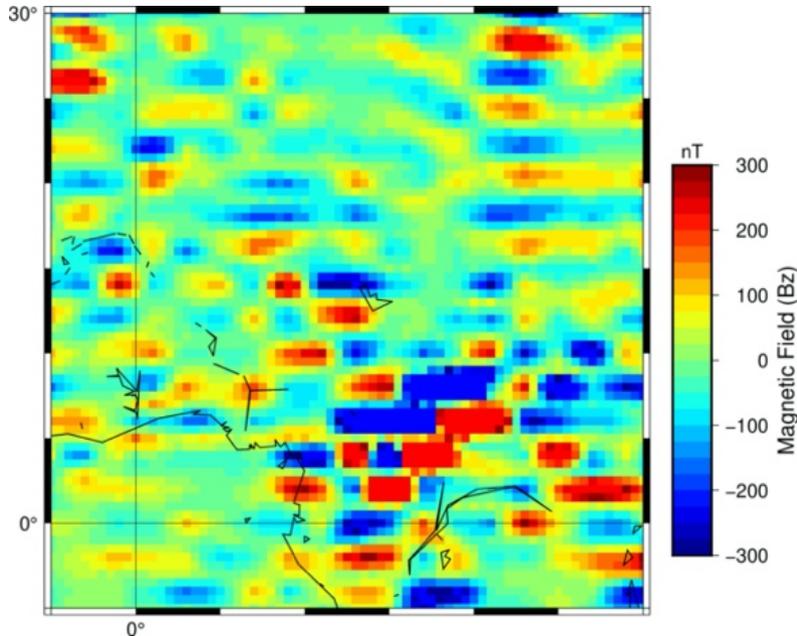


LCS-1 inversion result after N=10000  
with a **model**  $\mathbf{x}_H^0$  as an initial guess



Power spectrum of LCS-1 and power  
spectrum of the forward calculated  
spherical harmonic model of the inversion  
result  $\mathbf{x}_{LCS}^N$  after N = 10000 iterations

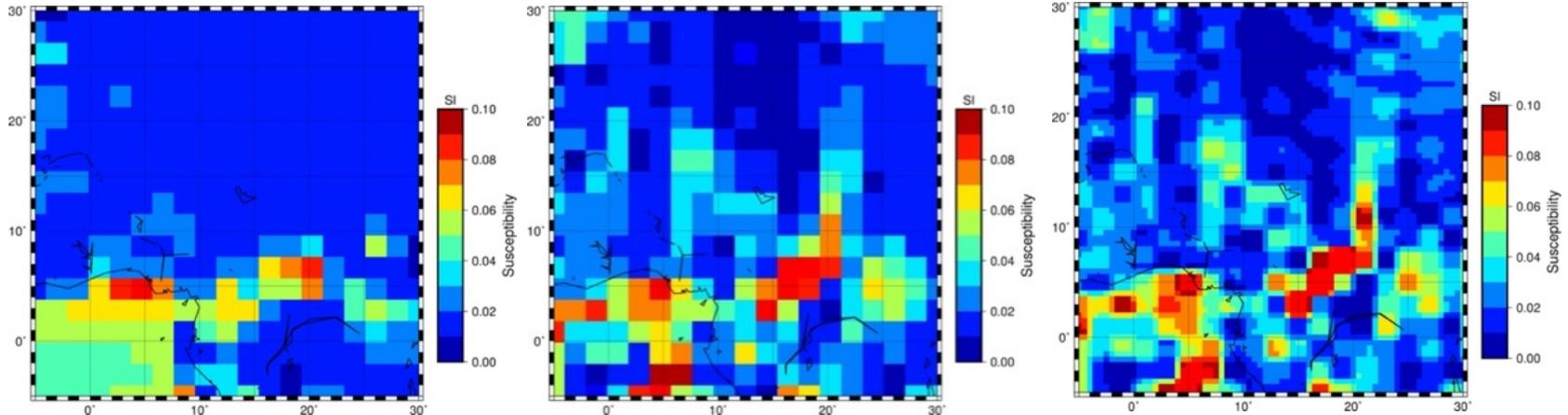
# Field at the airborne altitude



Magnetic field of the tile inversion result and LCS-1 at the airborne altitude

LCS-1 calculated at 5 km altitude.

# Improvement in results



Susceptibility models for Bangui area in Africa

Initial guess  $x_H^0$

Inversion result

$x_{LCS}^{N=10000}$

Tile inversion result  
with resolution of 0.5  
degrees

# Summary

- Method for global magnetic inversion with tesseroids and spherical filtering was implemented (software is available [here](#))
- Algorithm is scalable and can be used to utilize airborne data
- More a-priori constraints (initial guess) are necessary to produce realistic long-wavelength lithospheric field
- Methodology can be used to merge gap between airborne and satellite data
- **Paper (*Baykiev et al., 2020*) about the topic of this presentation is available in open-access [here](#).**