

# Calculating B-field strength

$$B_{\text{POS}} = 9.3 \sqrt{n(\text{H}_2)} \frac{\Delta V}{\sigma_\theta}$$

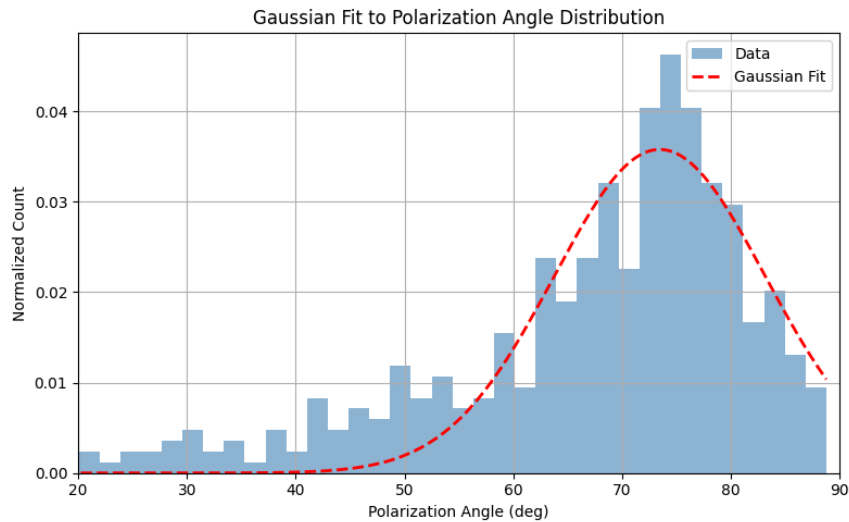
$n(\text{H}_2)$ : volume density [ $\text{cm}^{-3}$ ]

$\Delta V$ : FWHM non-thermal gas velocity dispersion [ $\text{km/s}$ ]

$\sigma_\theta$ : polarization angle dispersion [ $^\circ$ ]

$B_{\text{POS}}$ : Magnetic field strength in plane of the sky [ $\mu\text{G}$ ]

## a. Calculate polarization angle dispersion



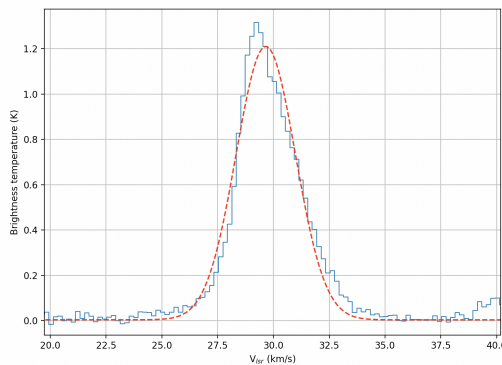
## b. Calculate volume density:

The width of the filament:  $W = 1\text{pc}$

The mean column density:  $N(\text{H}_2) = 2 \times 10^{22} \text{ (cm}^{-2}\text{)}$

We assume that the filament has a cylindrical shape so that the depth of the filament is equal to its width.  $n(\text{H}_2) = N(\text{H}_2)/W$

## c. Calculate velocity dispersion using this figure



## d. Now, you can calculate mean Bfield strength of the region

# Plotting B-field Orientation

## 1. Important information of the FITS file

How many extensions (layers) does the FITS file contain?

What is the meaning and notation of each extension?

What is the meaning of the FITS header?

## 2. Plot maps of I, Q, U, ...

## 3. Calculate PI (polarization intensity), P (polarization degree) and their uncertainty

Polarized Intensity (PI)

$$PI = \sqrt{Q^2 + U^2}$$

Uncertainty in Polarized Intensity ( $\sigma_{PI}$ )

$$\sigma_{PI} = \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_Q^2 \cdot Q^2 + \sigma_U^2 \cdot U^2}{Q^2 + U^2}}$$

Polarization Degree (%) (P)

$$P = 100 \times \frac{PI}{I}$$

Uncertainty in Polarization Degree (%) ( $\sigma_P$ )

$$\sigma_P = 100 \times \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_{PI}^2}{I^2} + \frac{PI^2 \cdot \sigma_I^2}{I^4}}$$

## 4. Plot B-field orientation