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Spectral hardening of cosmic TeV photons in realistic extragalactic magnetic fields

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Large-scale extragalactic magnetic fields may induce conversions between very-high-energy photons and axion-like particles (ALPs), thereby shielding the photons from absorption on the extragalactic background light. We consider realistic models of extragalactic magnetic fields obtained from large-scale cosmological simulations. Such simulated magnetic fields would have large enhancement in the filaments of matter. As a result, photon-ALP conversions would produce a significant spectral hardening for cosmic TeV photons respect to the simplified "cell" models previously considered in literature.

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