

Chicxulub and Popigai

after 15 years*

double or multiple impact craters?

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7 General Patterns of Impact Diamond Distribution

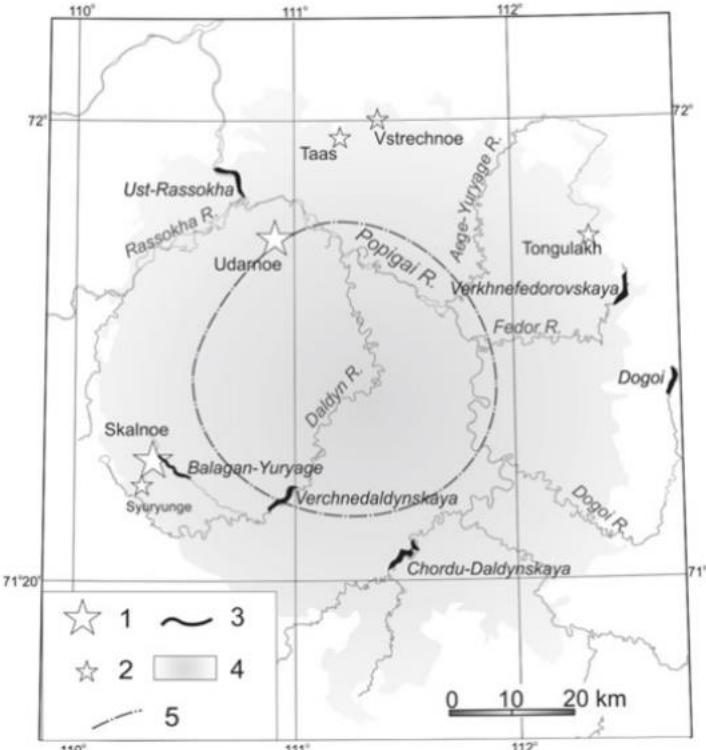
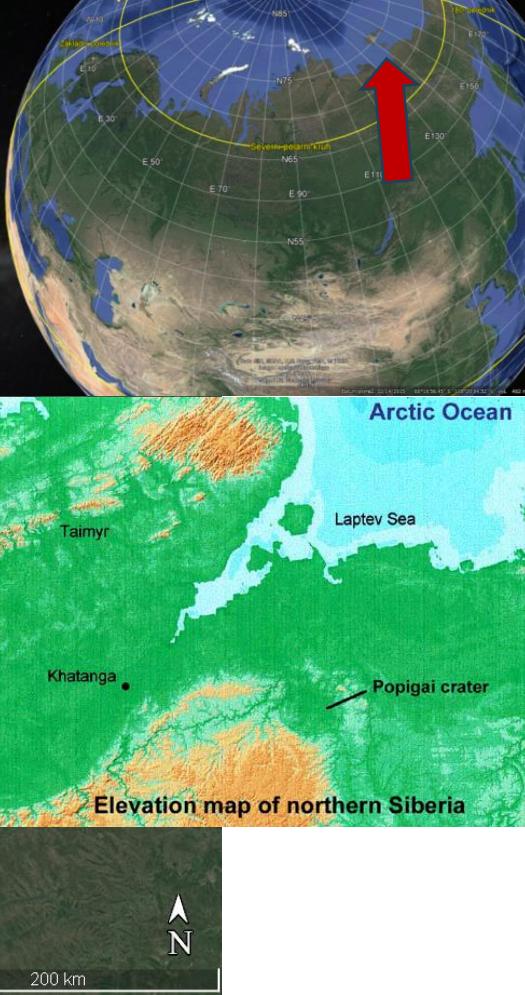
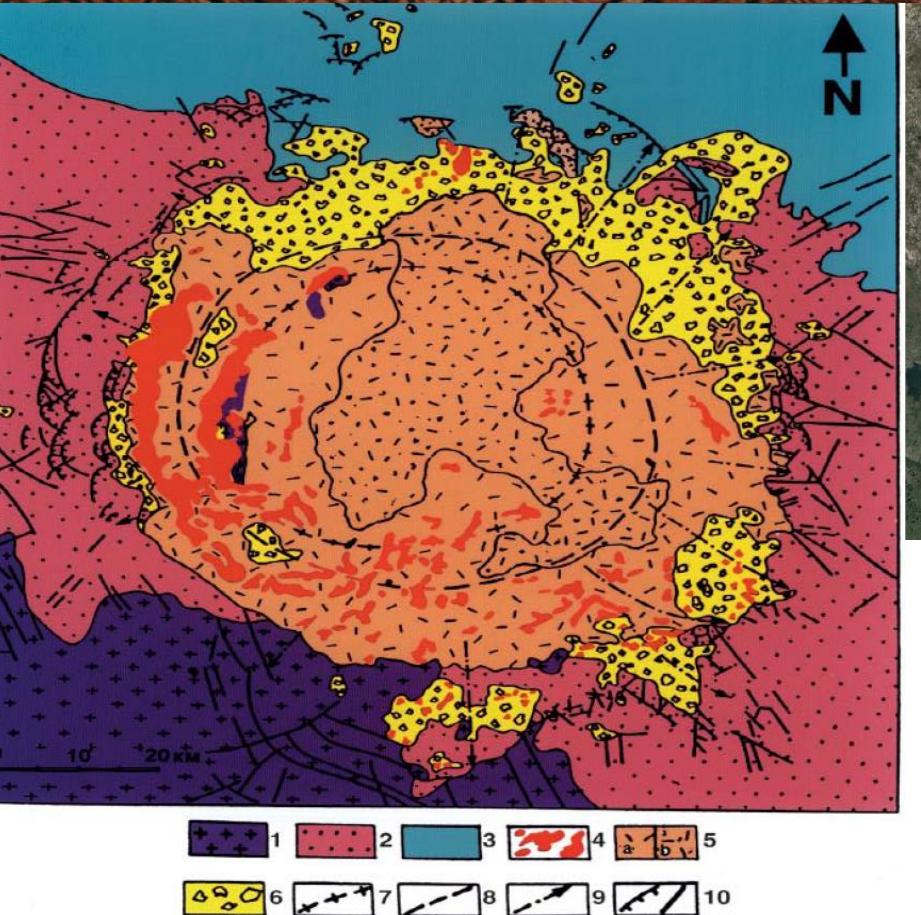


Fig. 7.7 Impact diamond deposits in the Popigai area (modified from Masaitis et al. 2013).
1—Large indigenous diamond deposits with proved resources, 2—Small indigenous diamond deposits estimated tentatively, 3—Large diamond alluvial placers estimated tentatively, 4—Area of

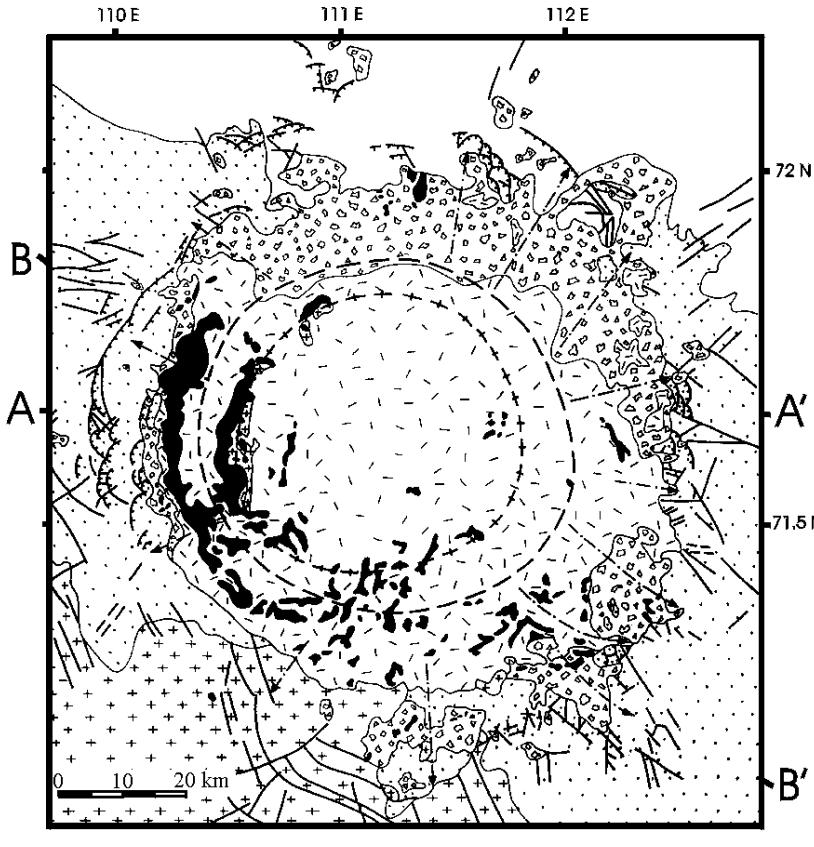
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Mashchak, M.S., Masaitis, V.L., Raikhlin, A.I., Selivanovskaya, T.V., Naumov, M.V. 2019. Ed. Masaitis V.L. Popigai Impact Structure and its Diamond-Bearing Rocks, Impact Studies, Springer International Publishing AG, Springer Nature; https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-77988-1_2



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Geological sketch map of the Popigai impact structure, modified after Masaitis et al. (1980).
 (1) Archean gneisses and schists; (2) Upper Proterozoic and Cambrian quartzites, dolomites, and limestones; (3) Permian sandstones and argillites with sills and dikes of Triassic dolerites; (4) tagamites; (5) suevites with lenses of fine-grained allogenic breccia, (6) allogenic breccia; (7) center line of annular uplift; (8) center line of annular trough, (9) axes of radial troughs; (10) thrusts, faults.



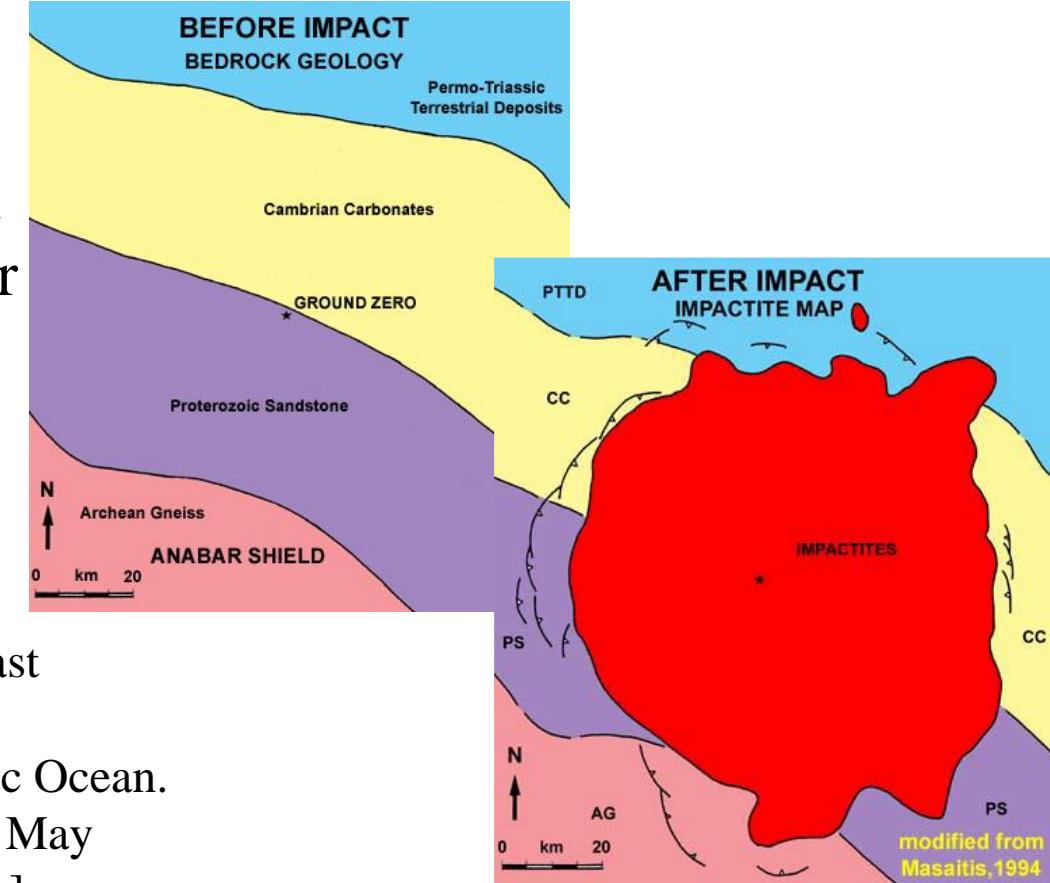
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- [x] Axes of radial troughs
- [x] Thrusts, faults

Popigai

geology of the main proved impact crater

71°38'N. 111°11'E
crater center

North Central Siberia
about 100 km from the coast
of the Laptev Sea,
an embayment of the Arctic Ocean.
Late Eocene - 35.7 (± 0.2) Ma
[by stepwise heating Ar-Ar].

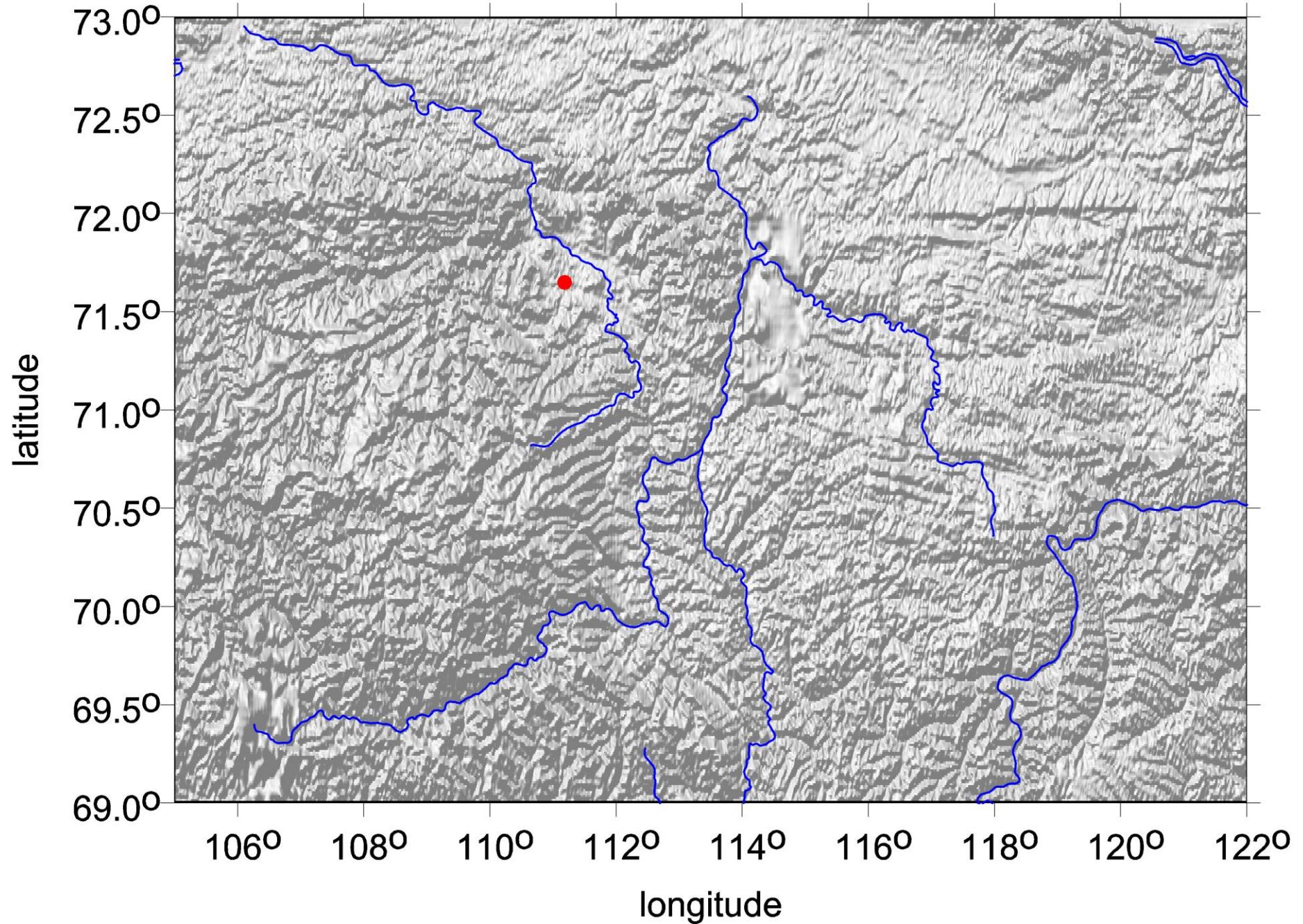


Geology of the Popigai impact structure, after Masaitis (1994).

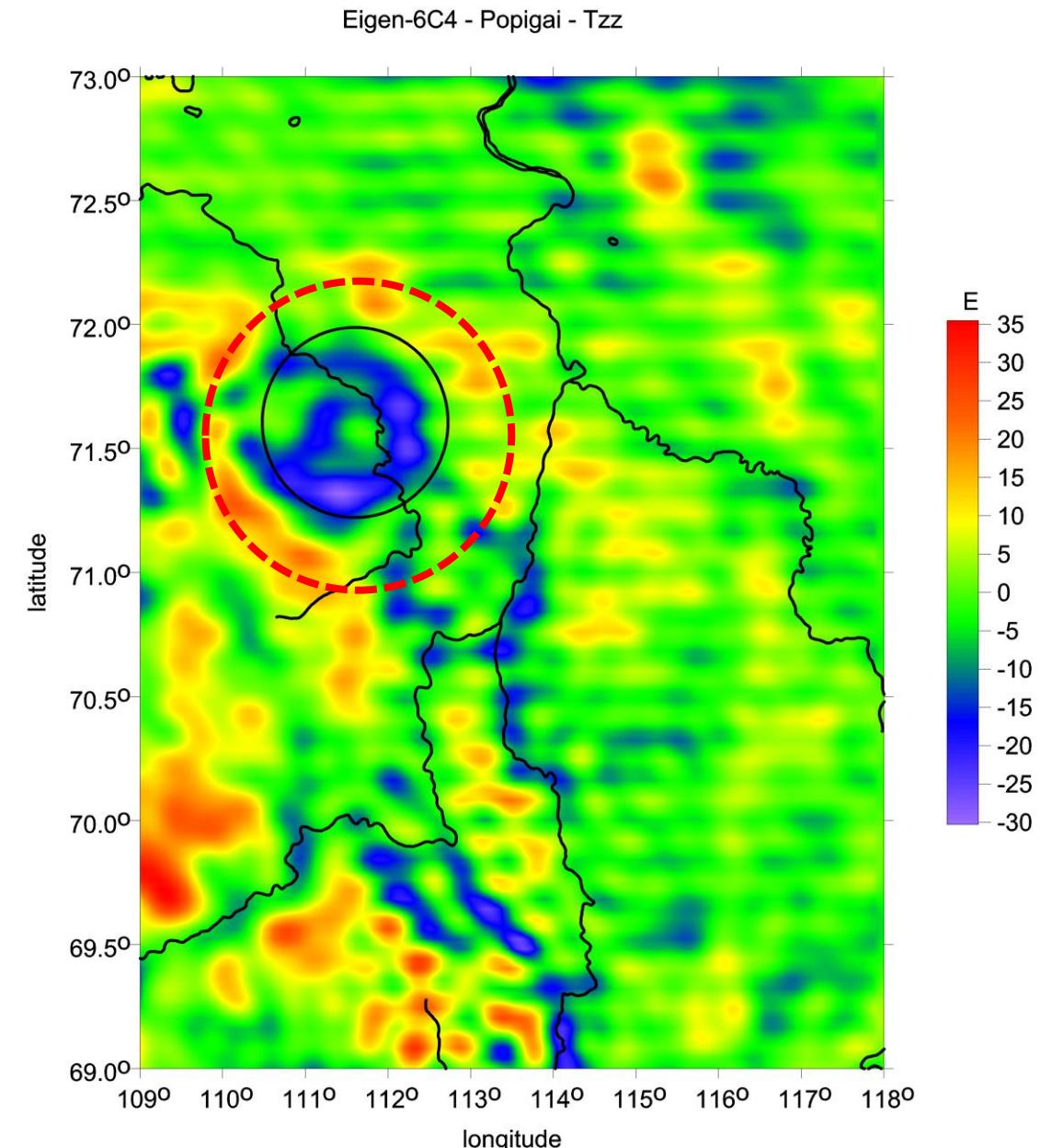
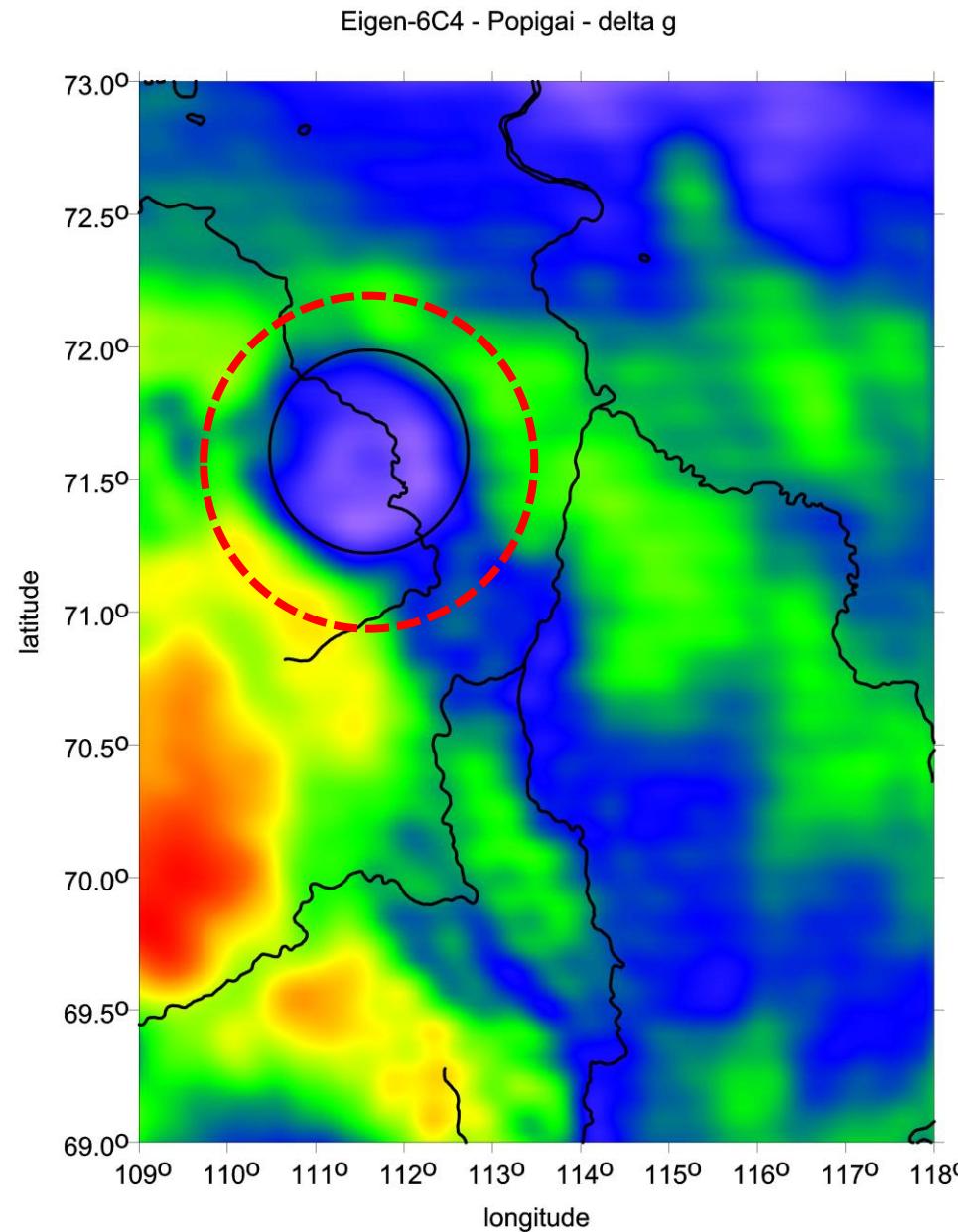
35.7-Ma-old and -100-km-wide multi-ring Popigai a well-preserved impact structure at the Anabar shield, central Arctic Siberia, filled with melted and shocked material that included shock-generated impact diamonds. Because the structure is exposed, but only slightly eroded, a variety of impactites are preserved and accessible for petrological studies.

ETOPO1 - Popigai

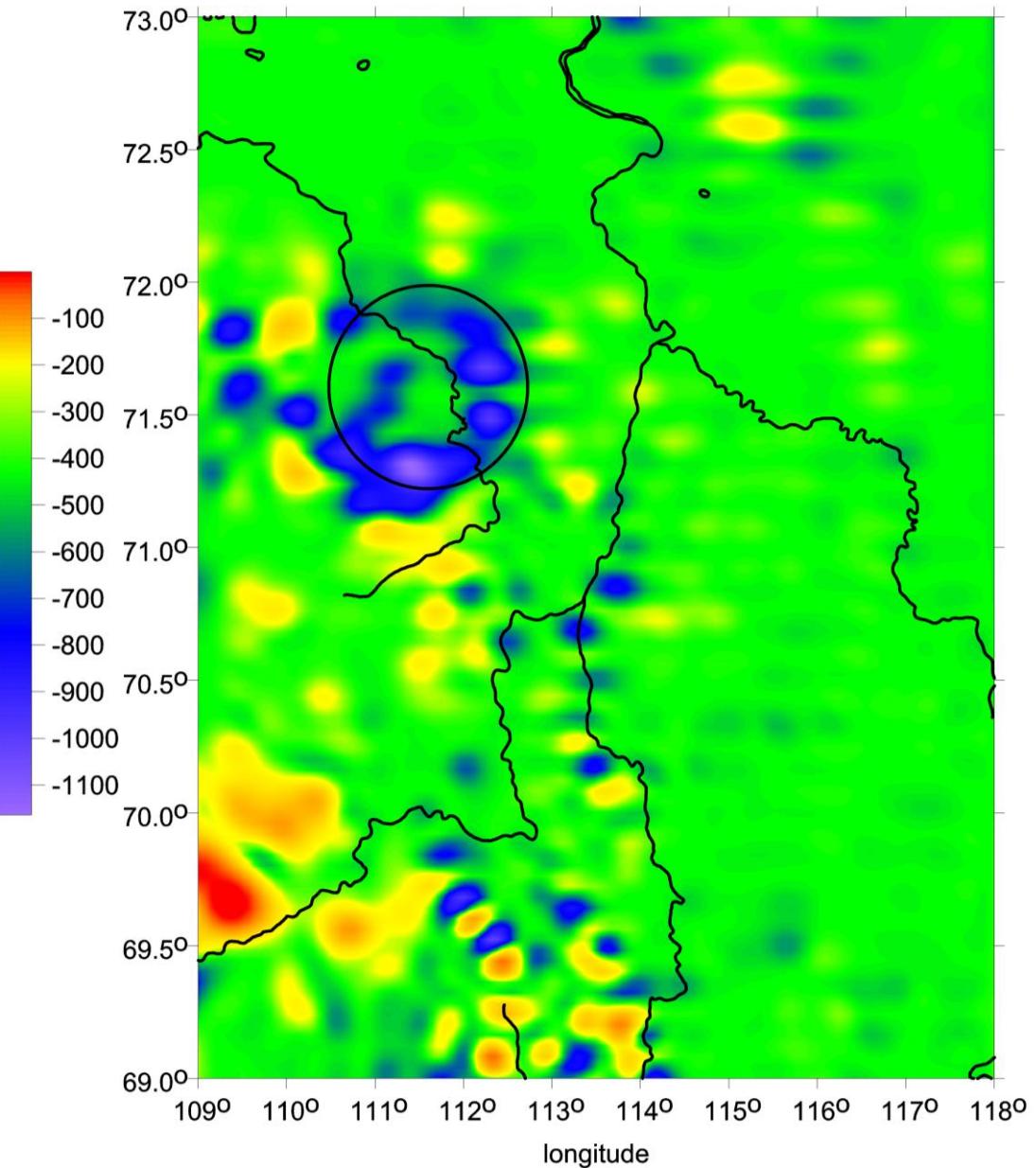
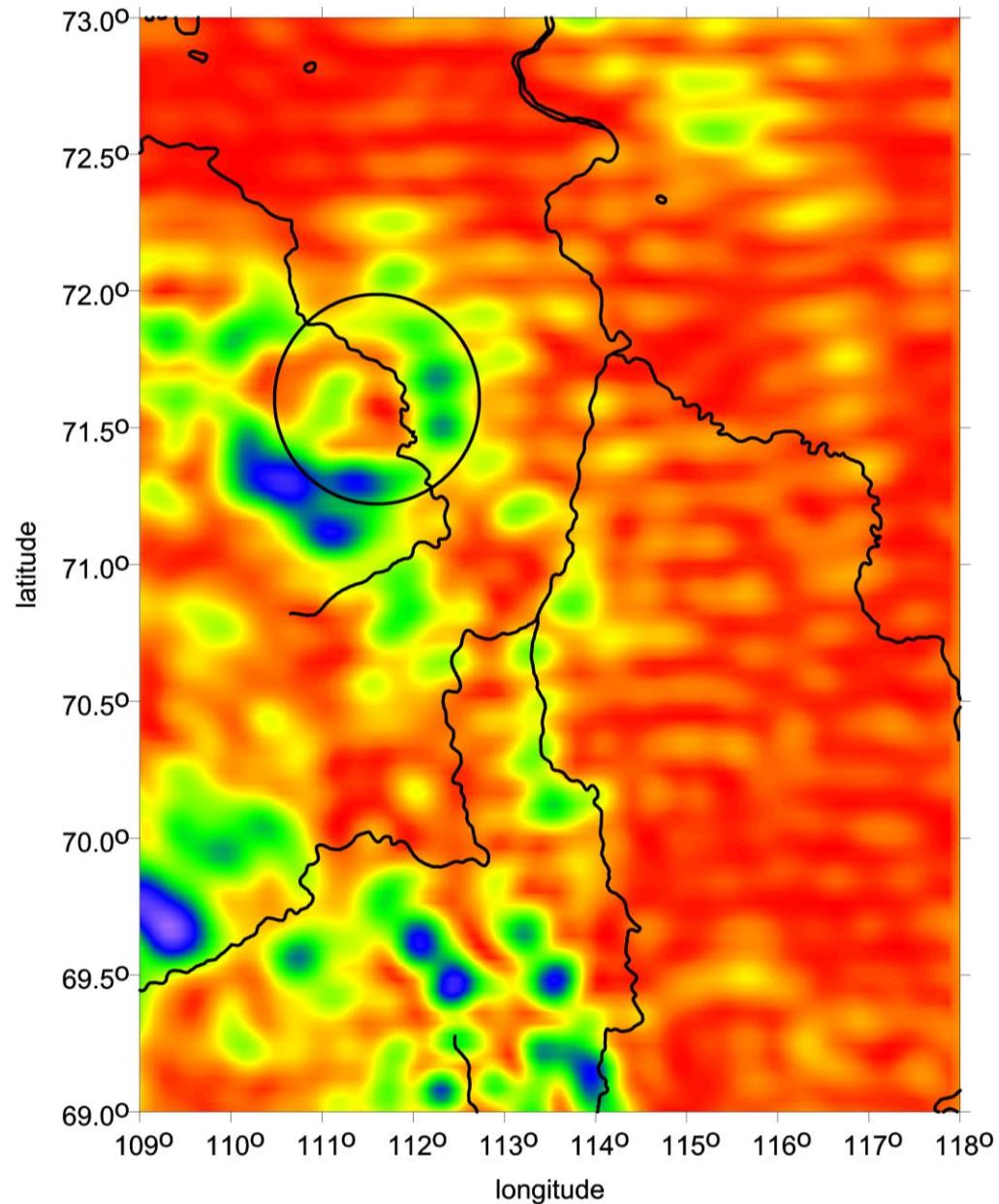
POPIGAI
ETOPO 1
topography [m]



Popigai family: gravity anomalies [mGal] and second radial derivative [E]



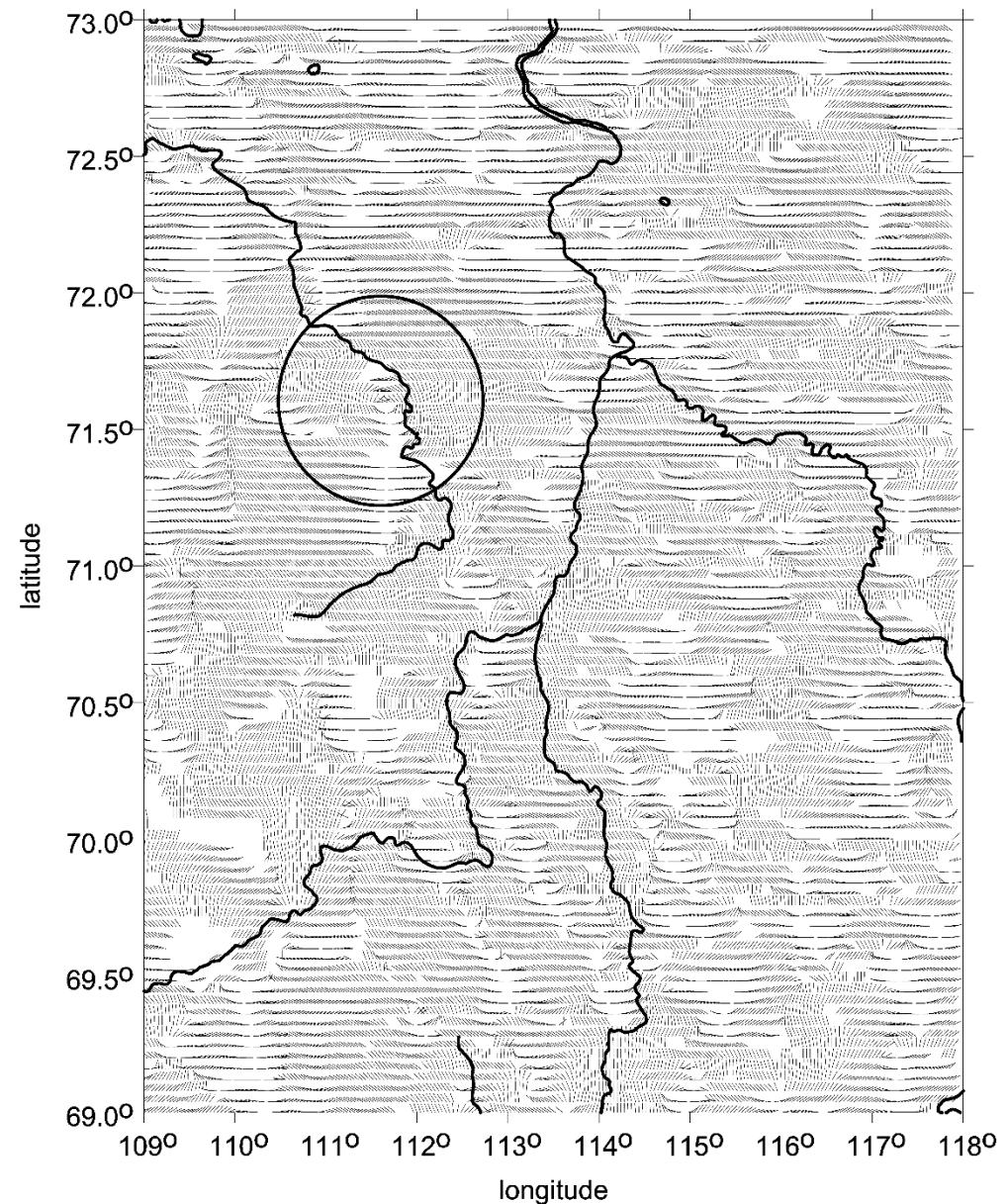
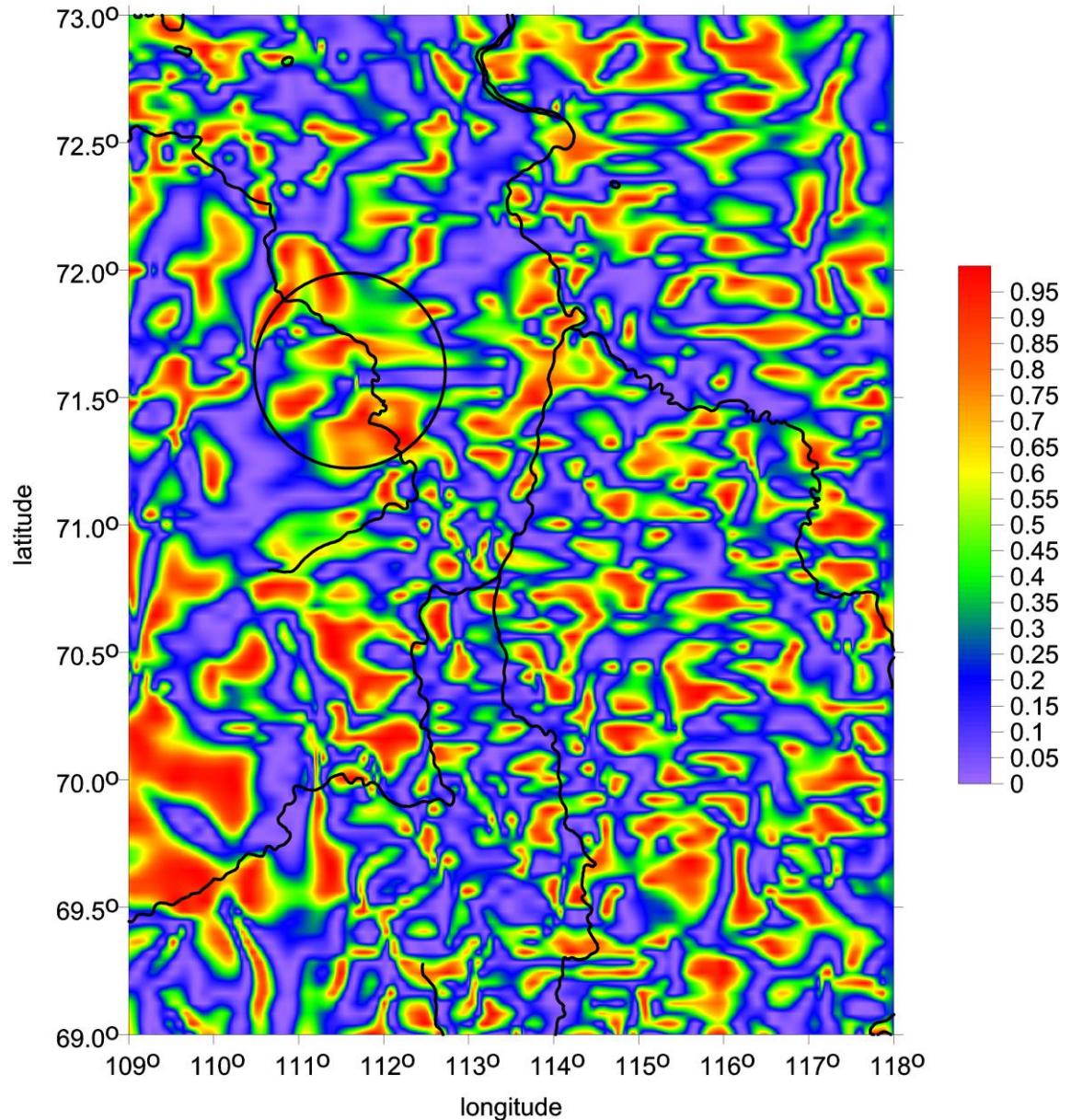
Popigai family: the invariants I_1 [s-4] and I_2 [s-6]



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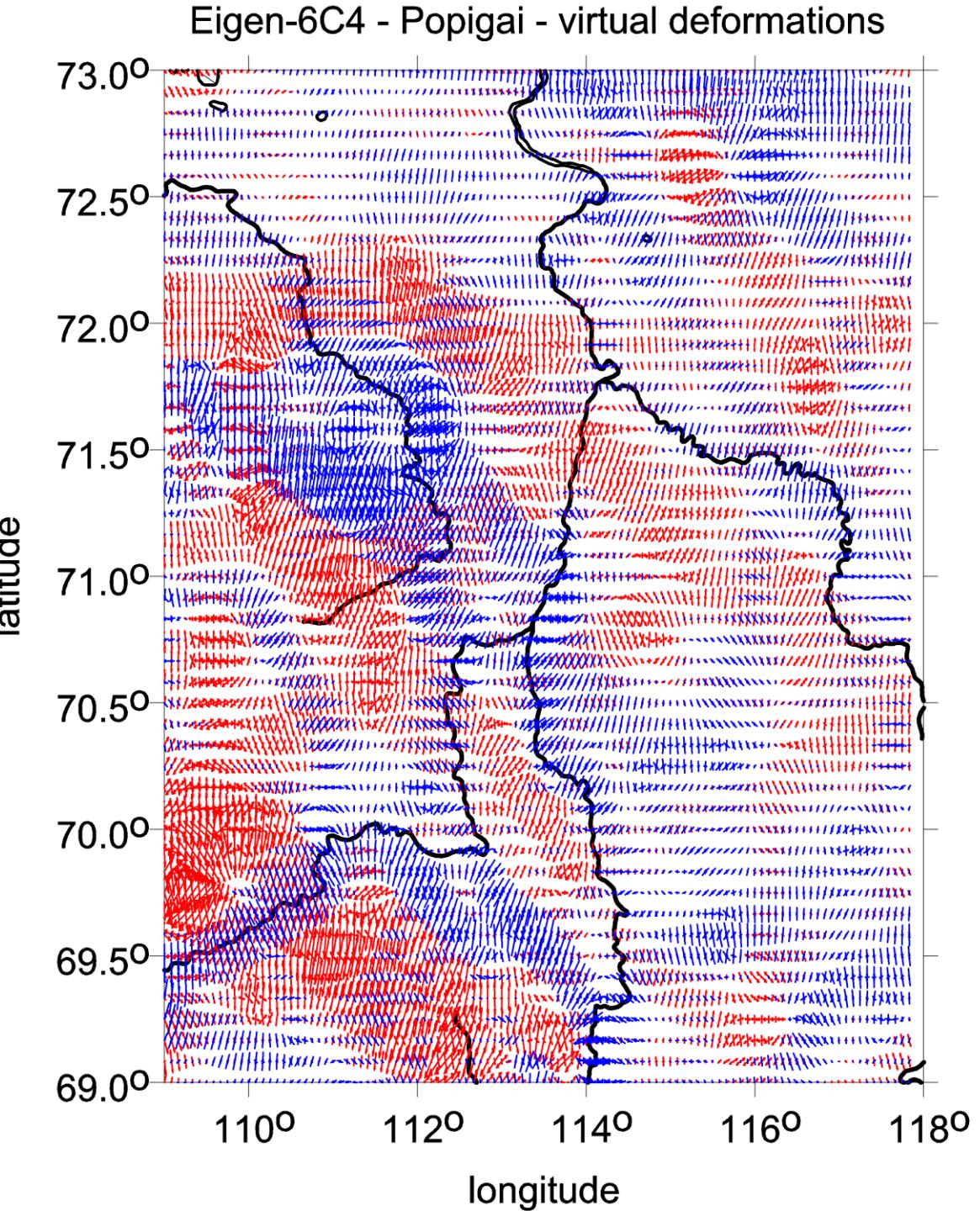
Popigai family: the ratio I of the invariants, strike angles [deg]

Eigen-6C4 - Popigai - Theta for RI < 0.9



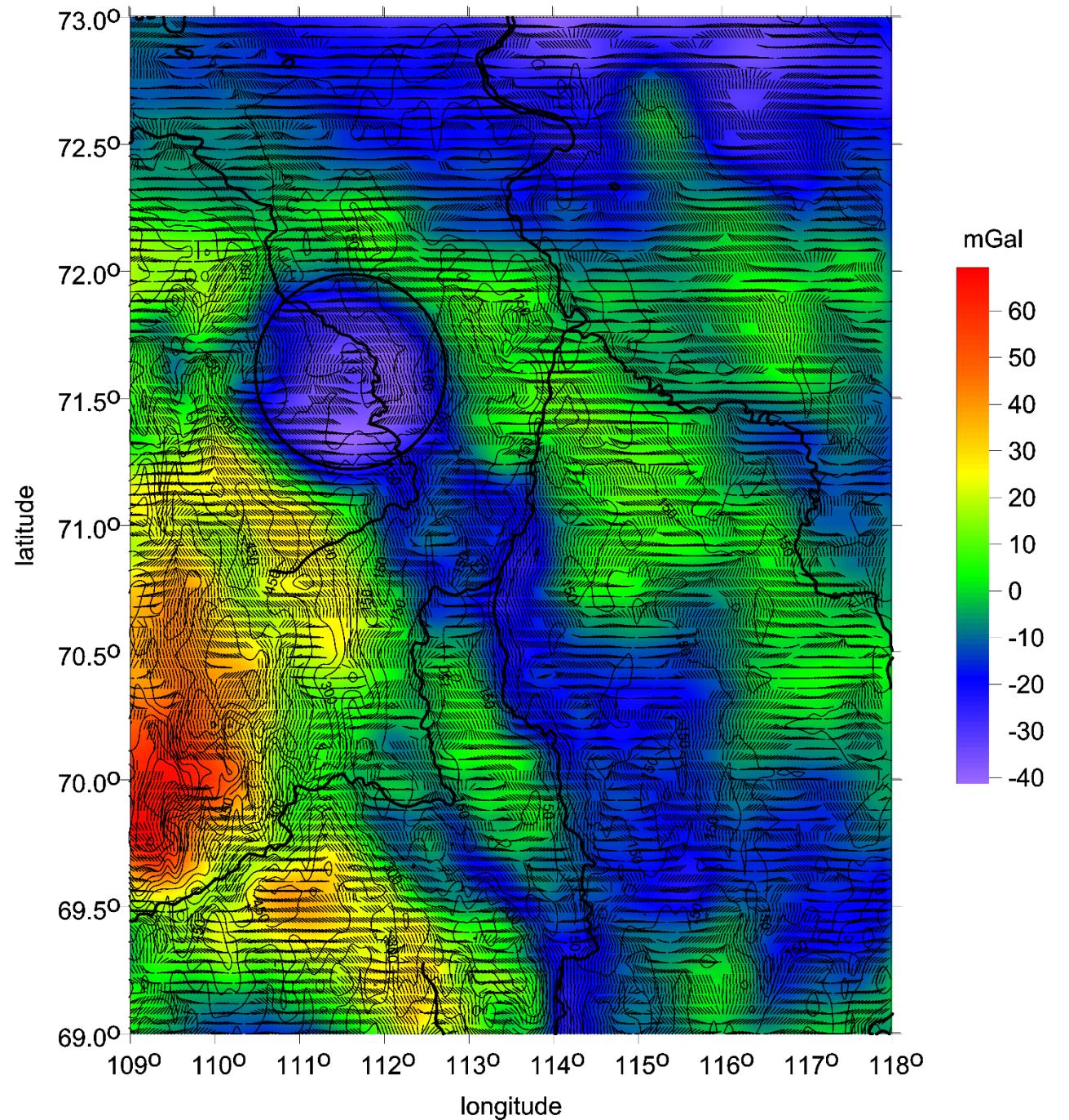
Popigai family:

virtual deformations [-]

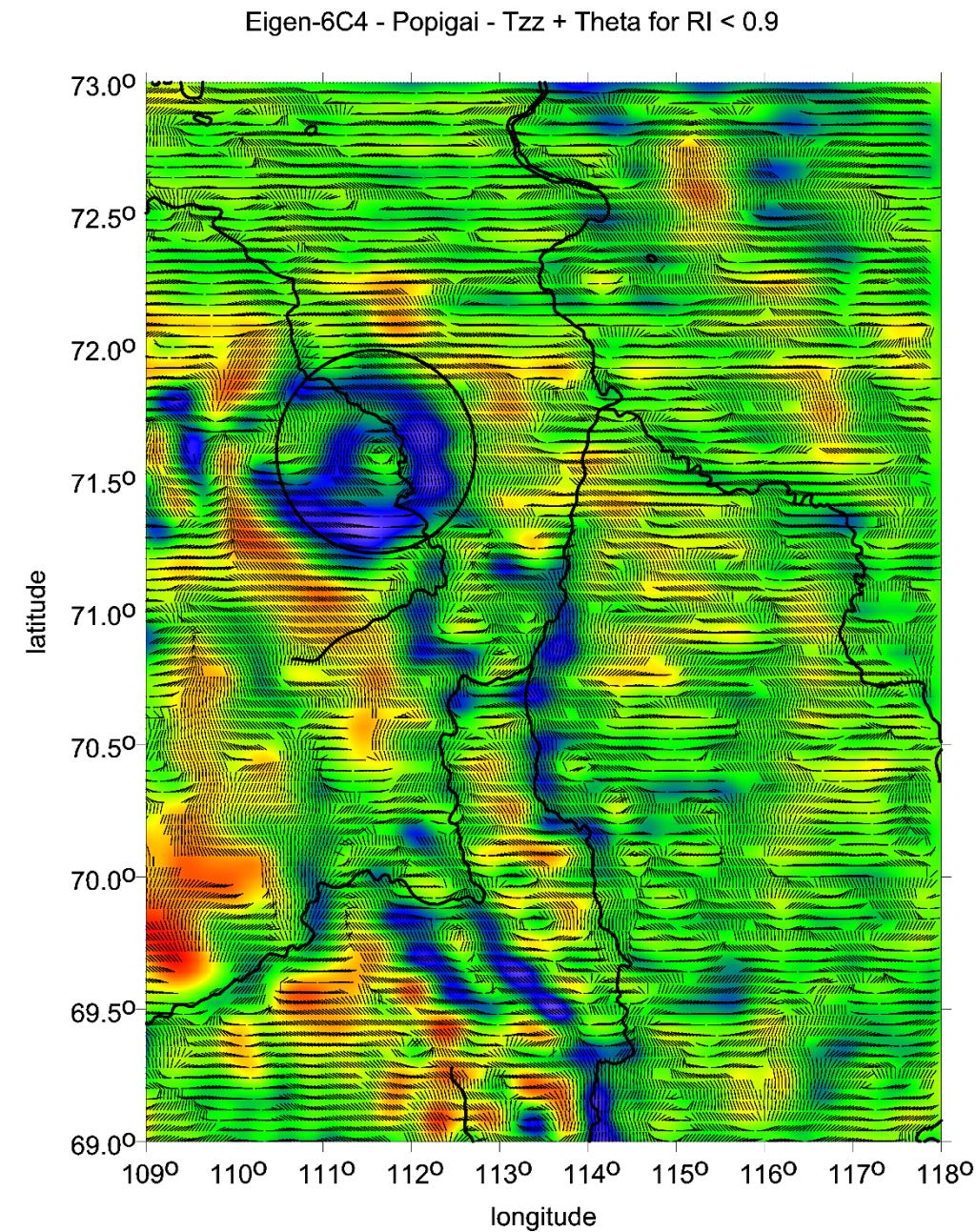
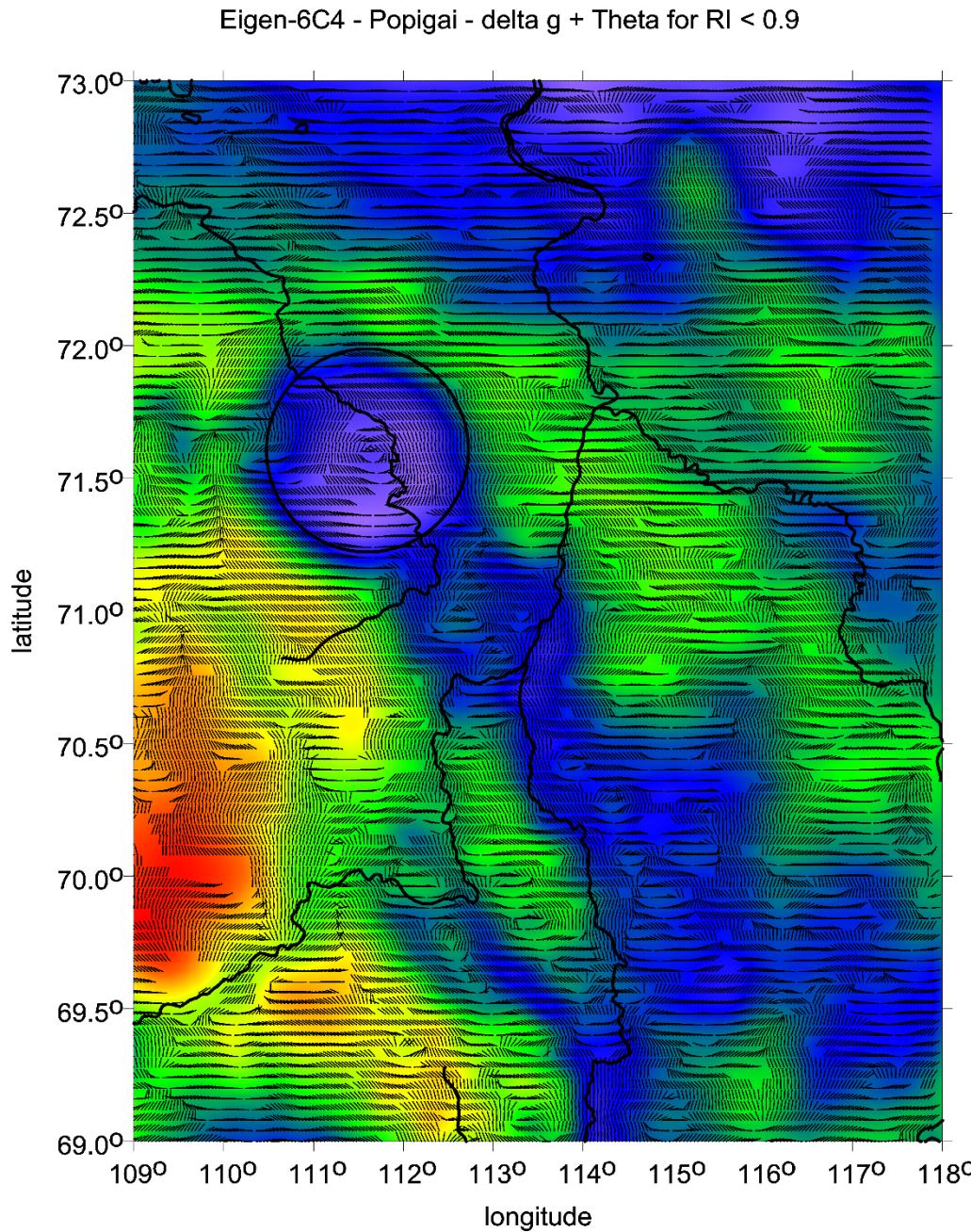


**Series of figures
with the gravity aspects,
combined with the strike angles
and surface topography ETOPO 1
(contour lines)**

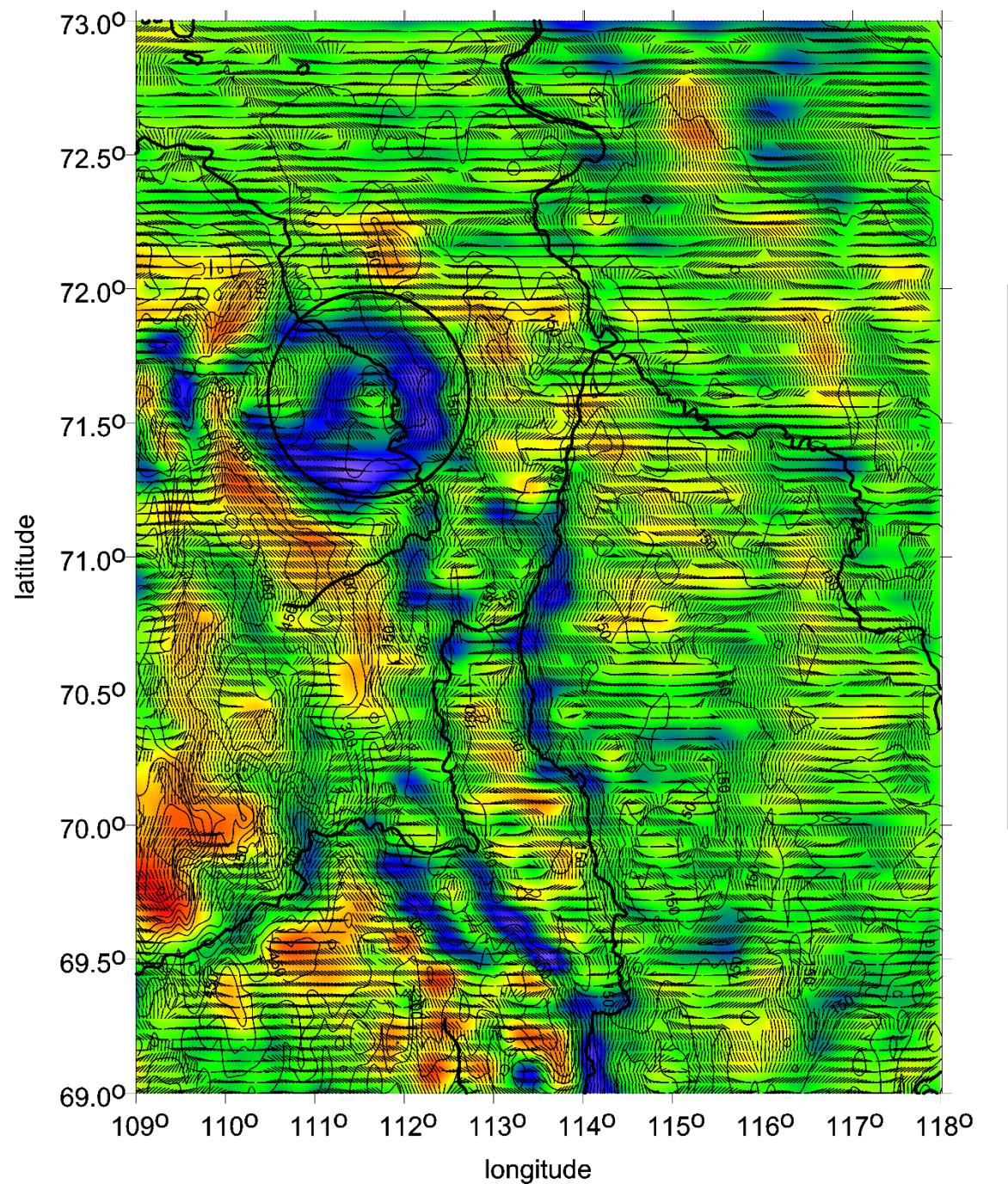
Eigen-6C4 - Popigai - topo + delta g + theta for RI < 0.9



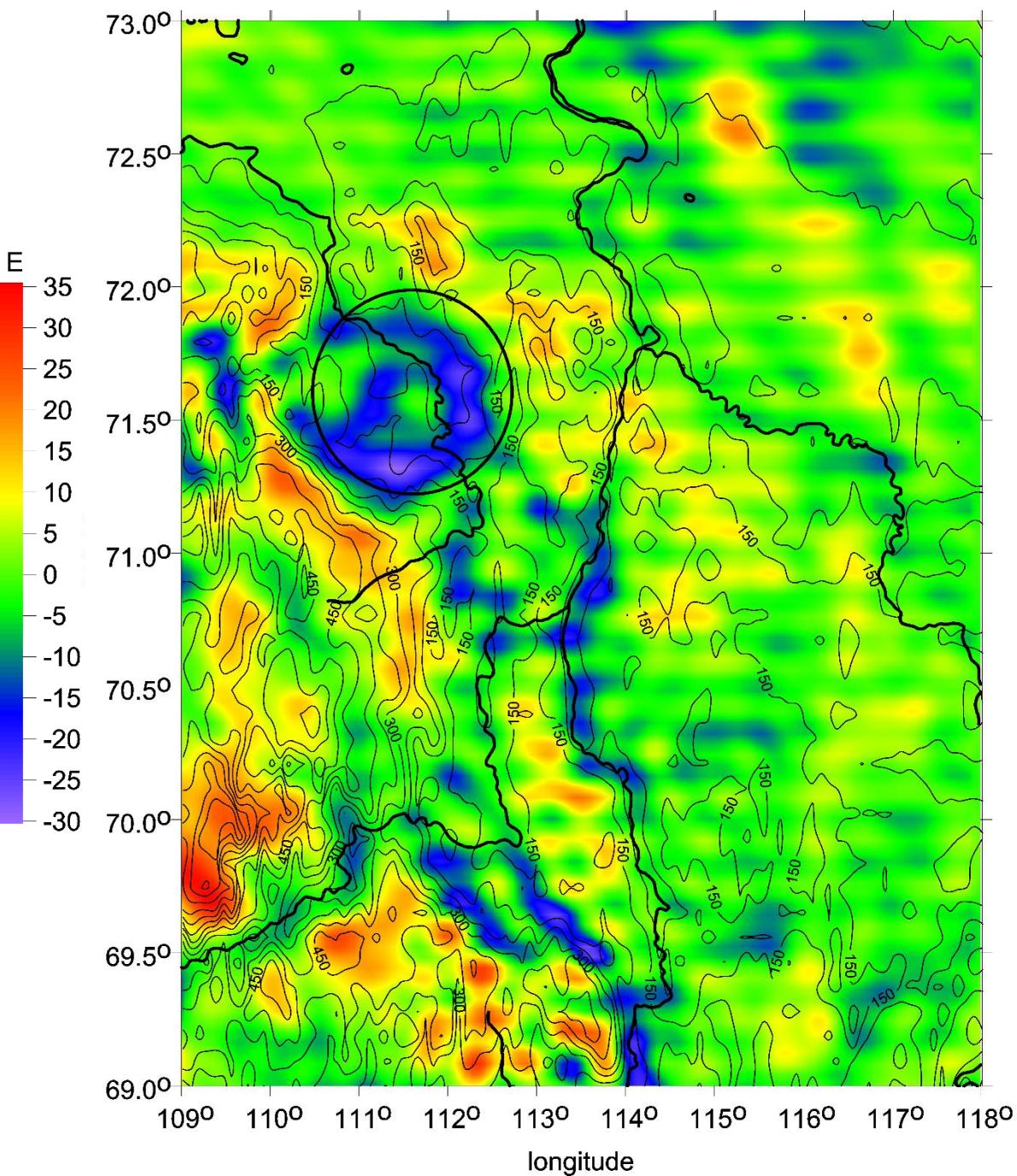
Popigai family: gravity anomalies [mGal] and second radial derivative [E] together with the strike angles [deg]



Eigen-6C4 - Popigai - topo + Tzz + theta for RI < 0.9



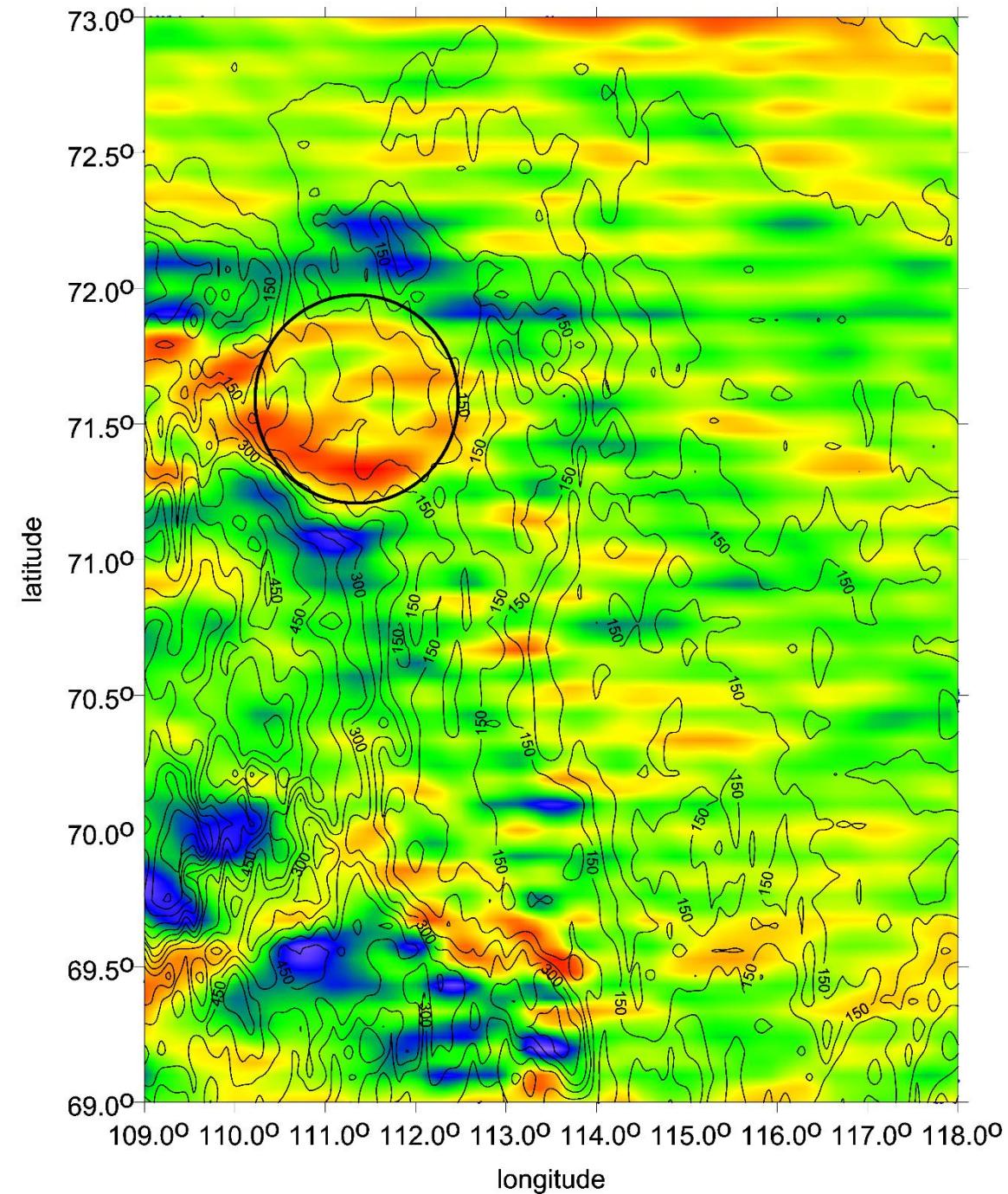
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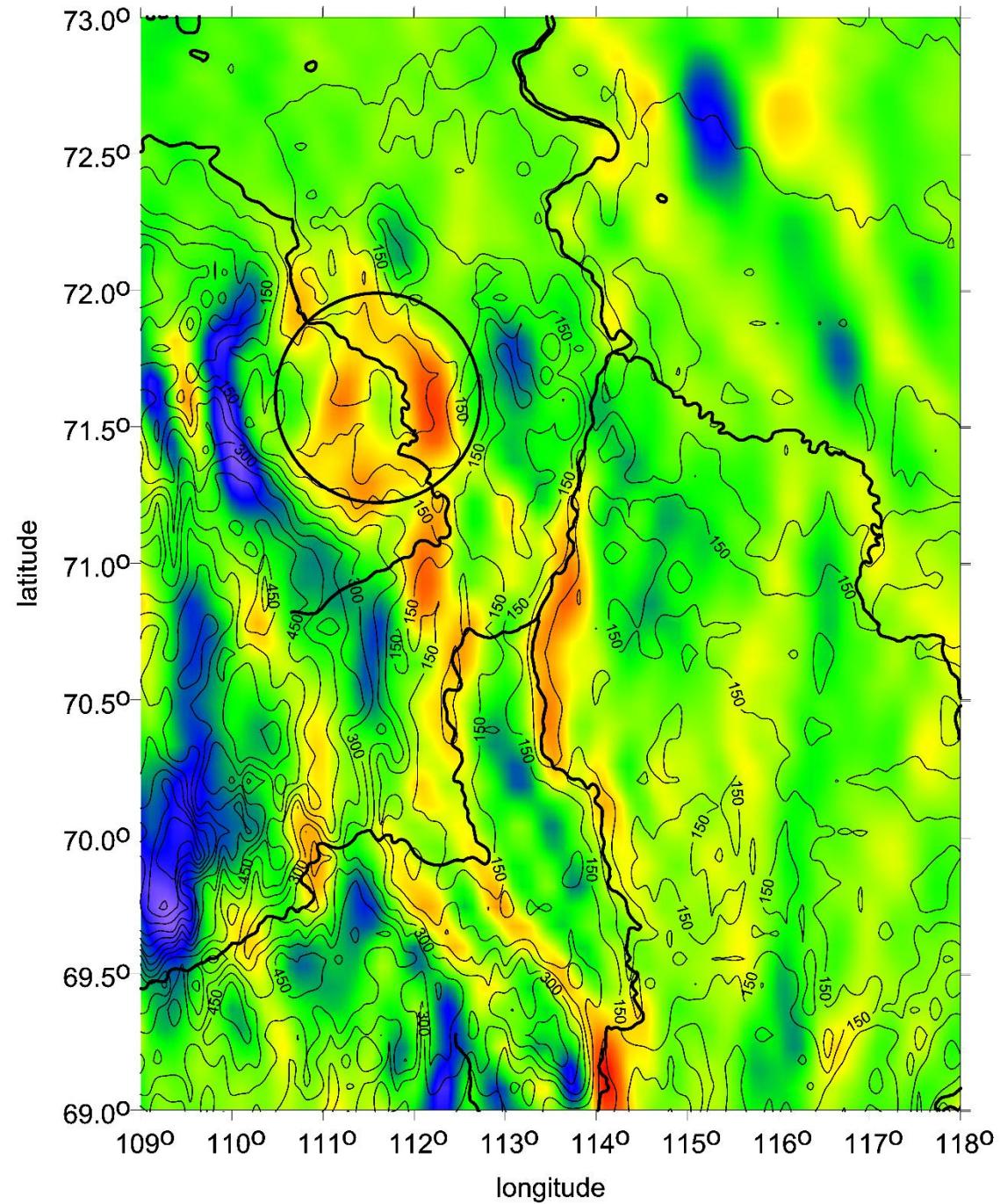
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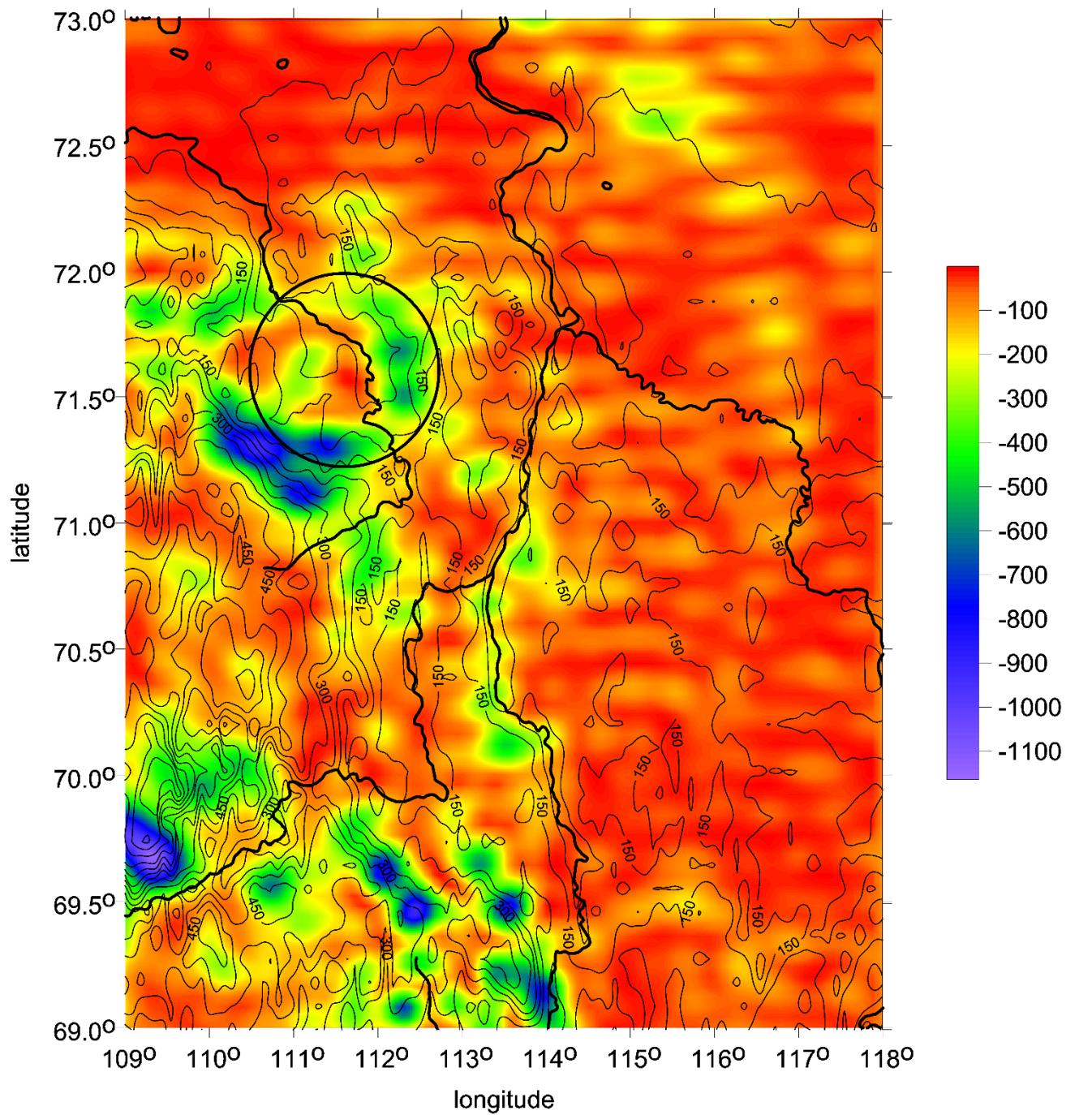
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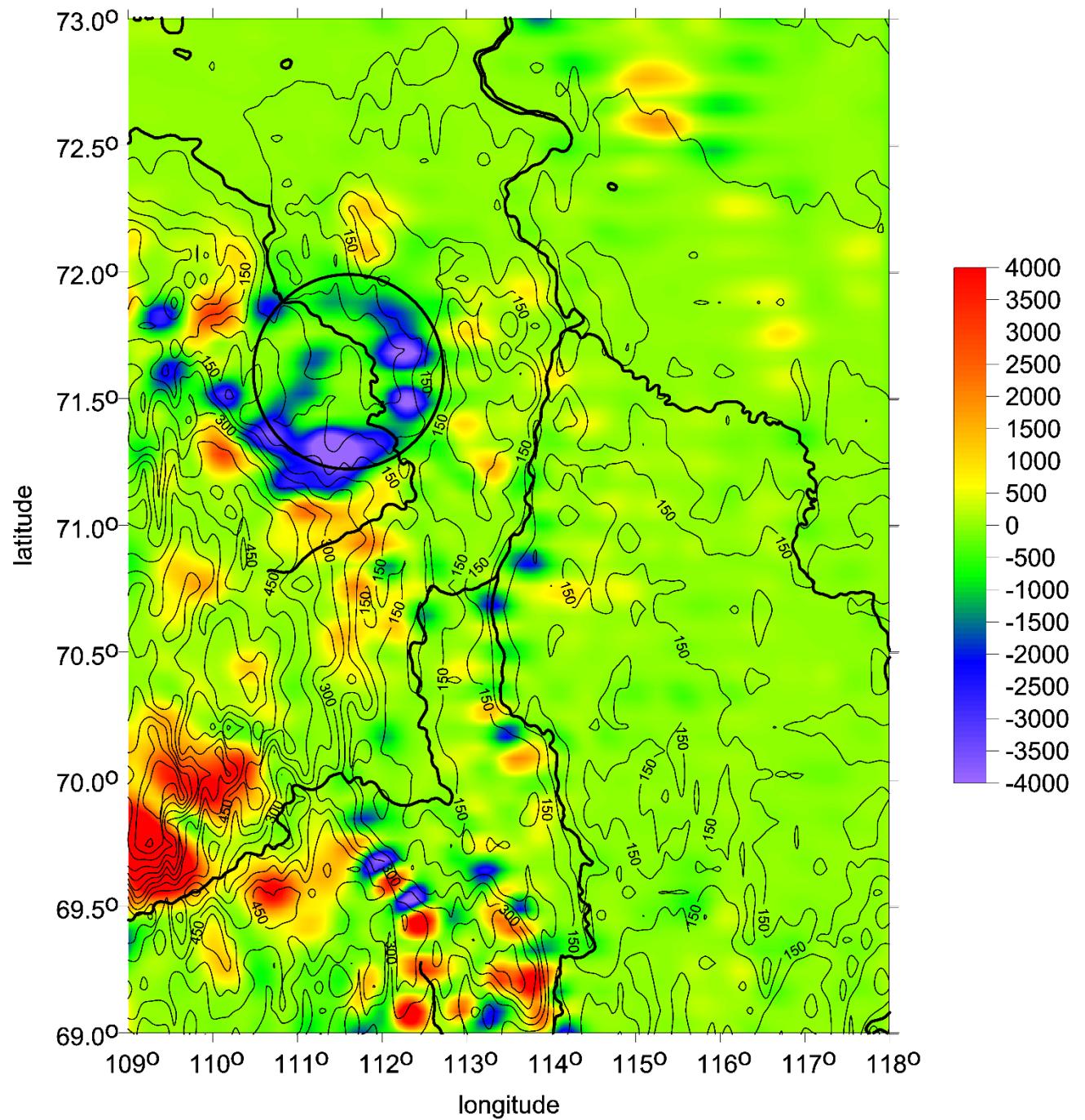
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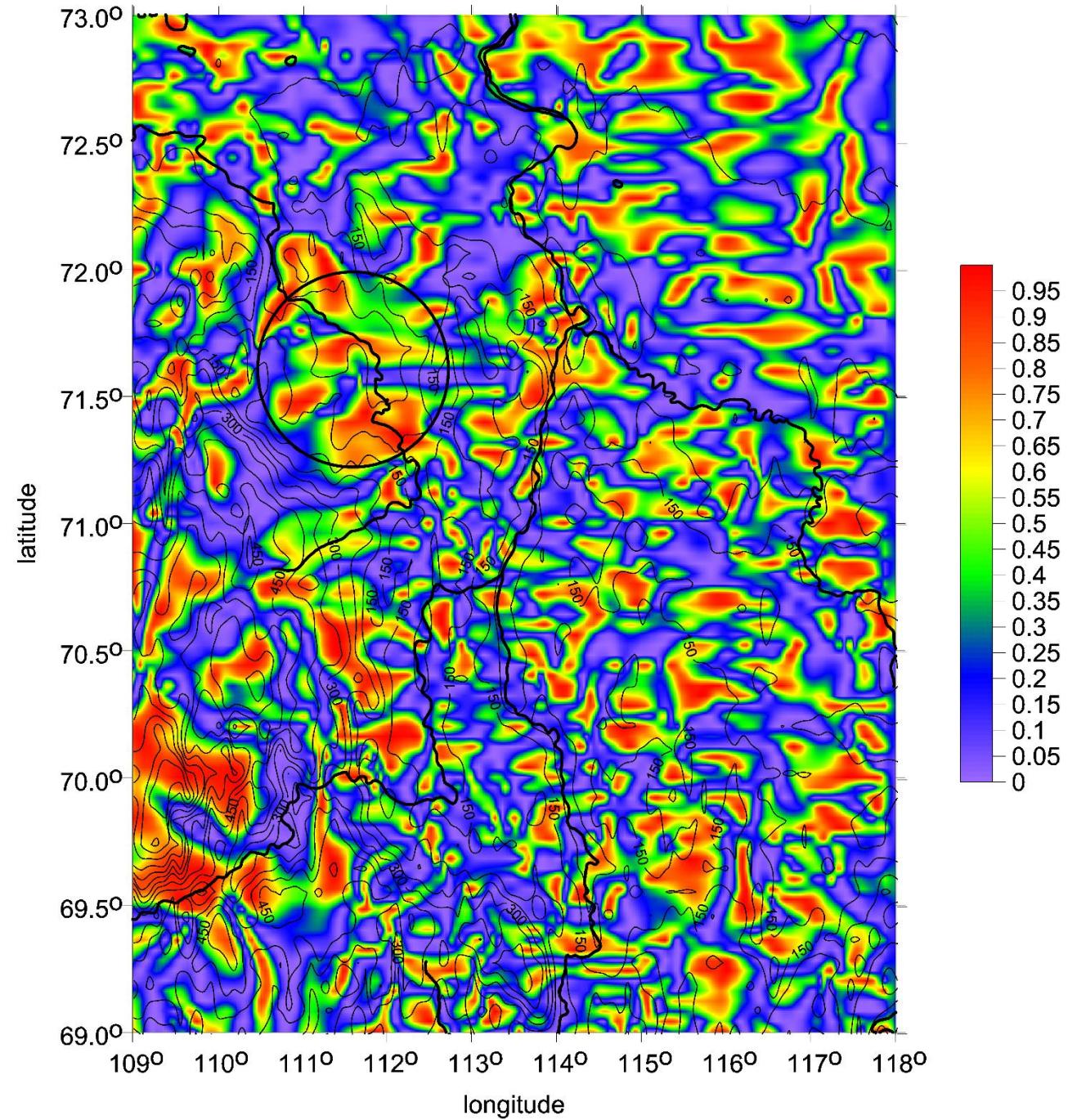
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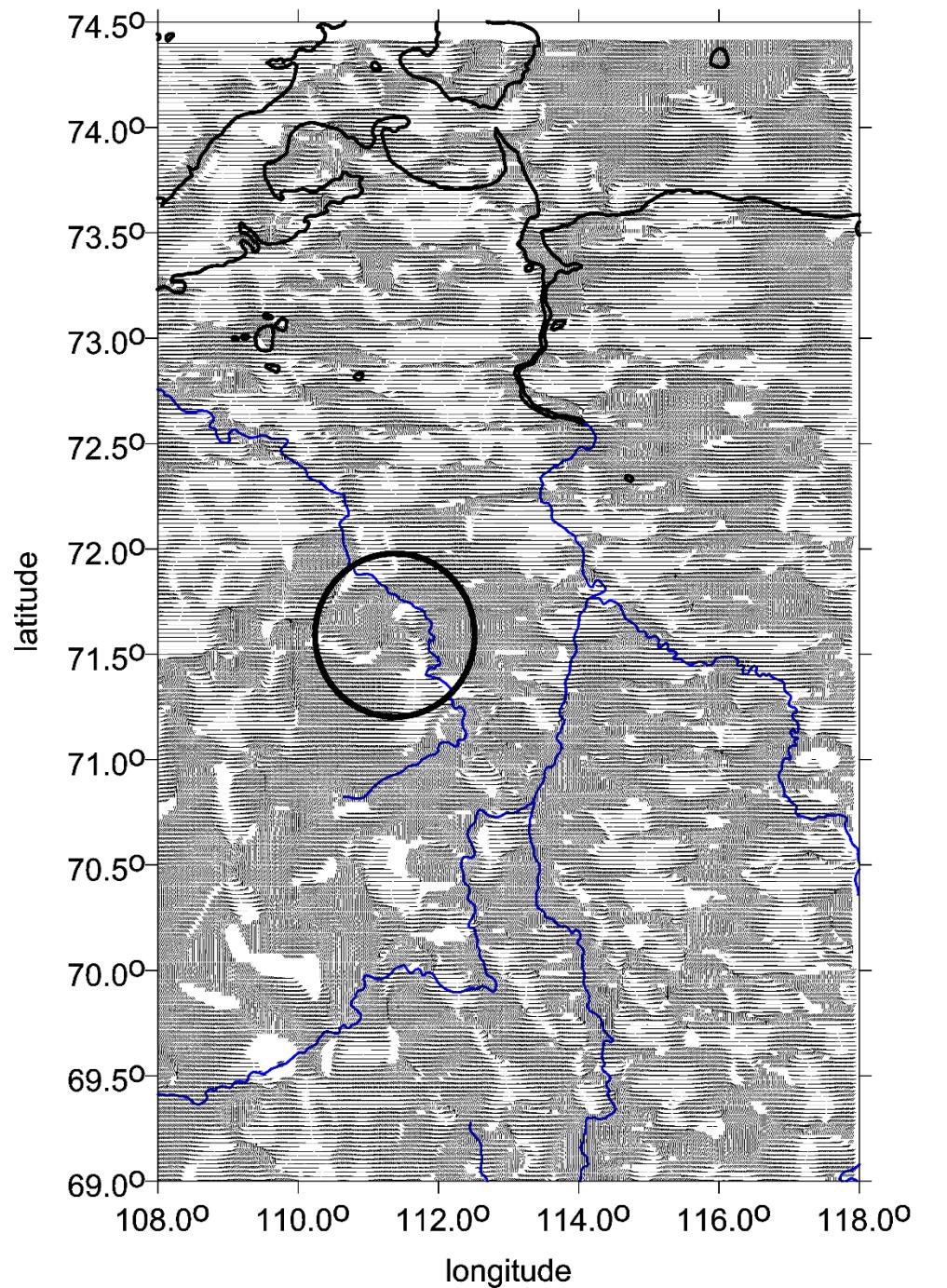
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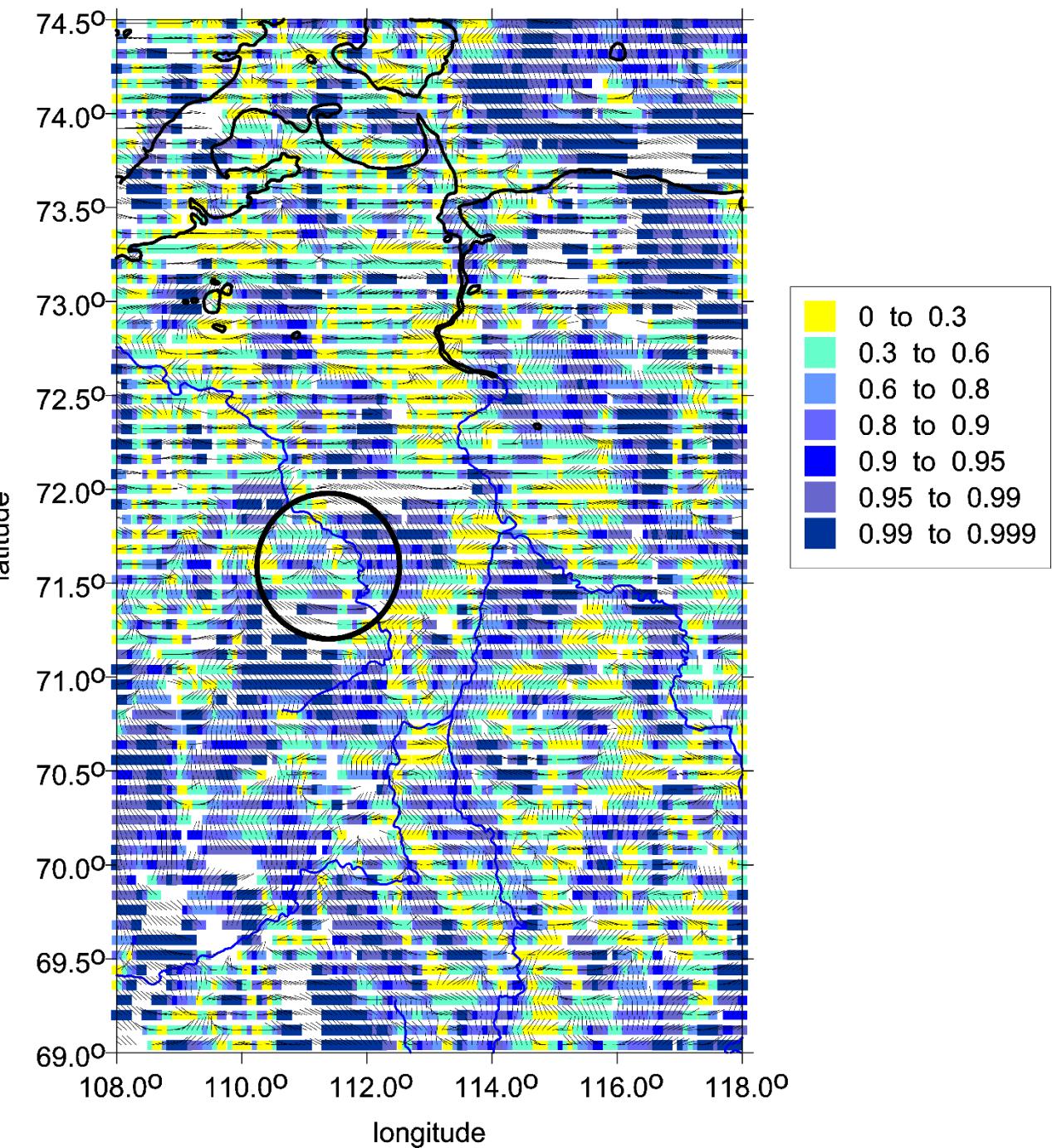
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Eigen 6C4 - Popigai - Theta for RI < 0.9



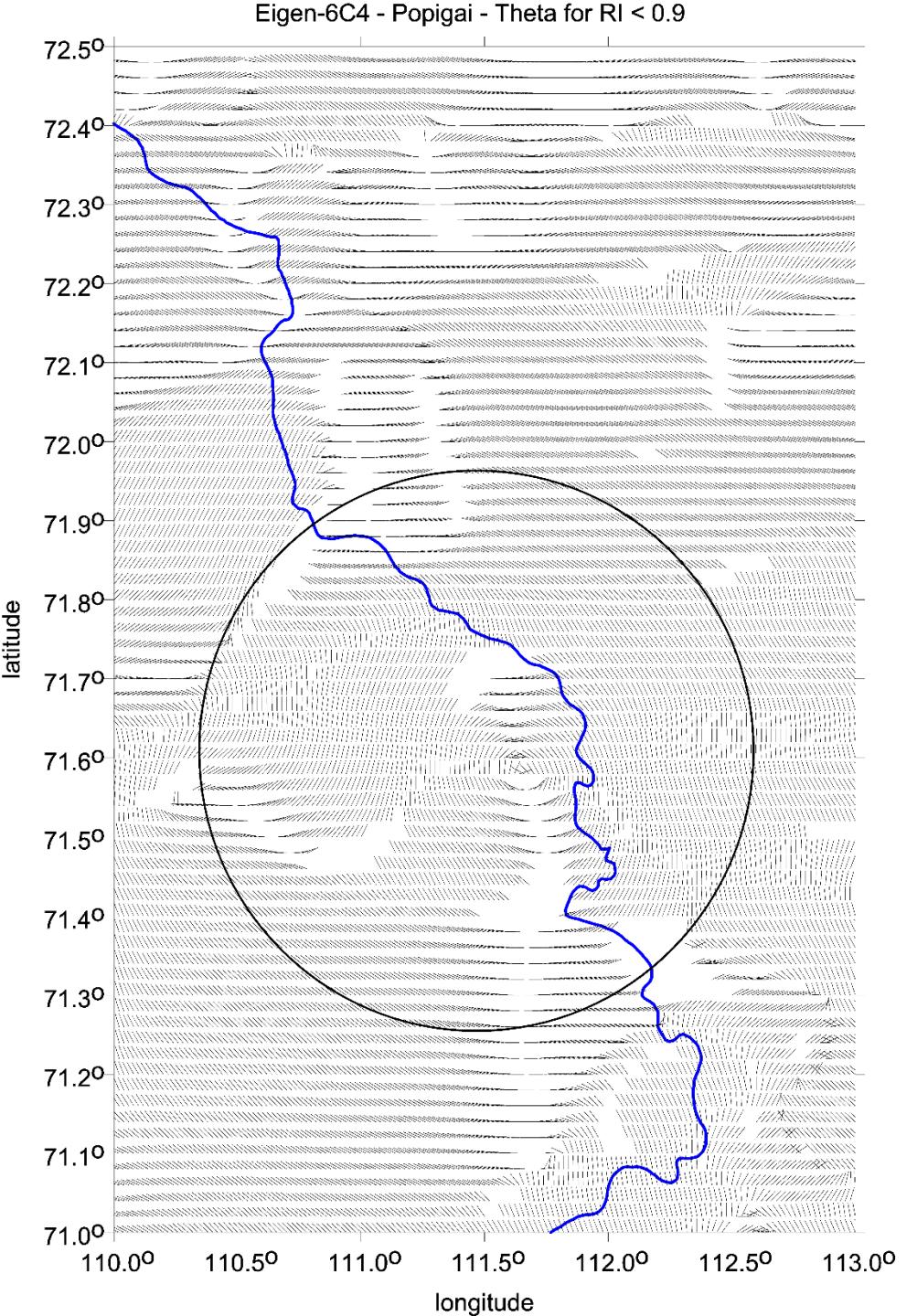
Eigen 6C4 - Popigai - Theta for RI < 0.9 + comb



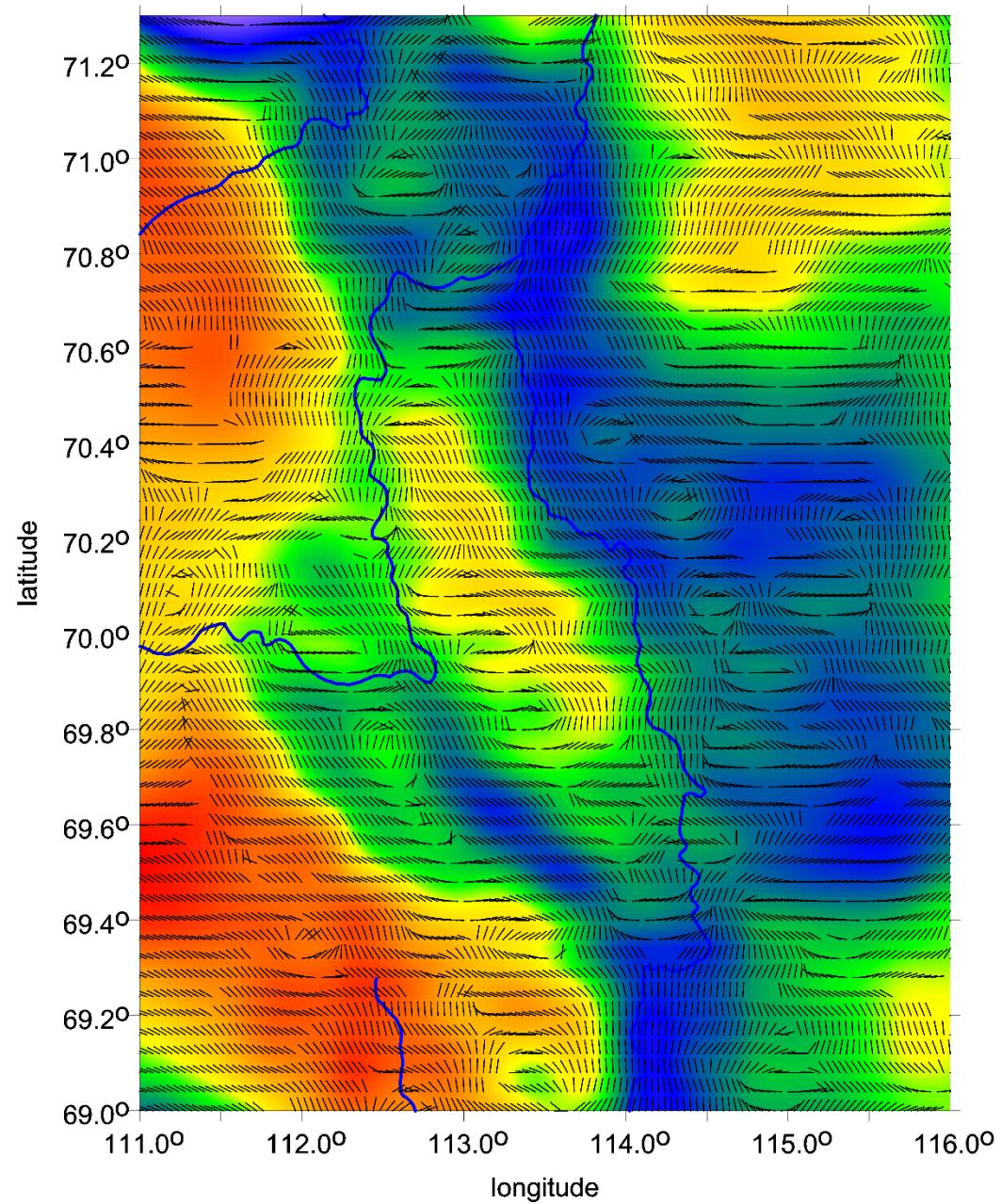
Popigai main crater:

zoom with
the strike angles [deg]

Popigai/Daldyn river (in blue colour)
flowing tru the crater
exposes the impact features



Eigen 6C4 - Popigai - south - dg + Theta for RI < 0.9 (4 km)



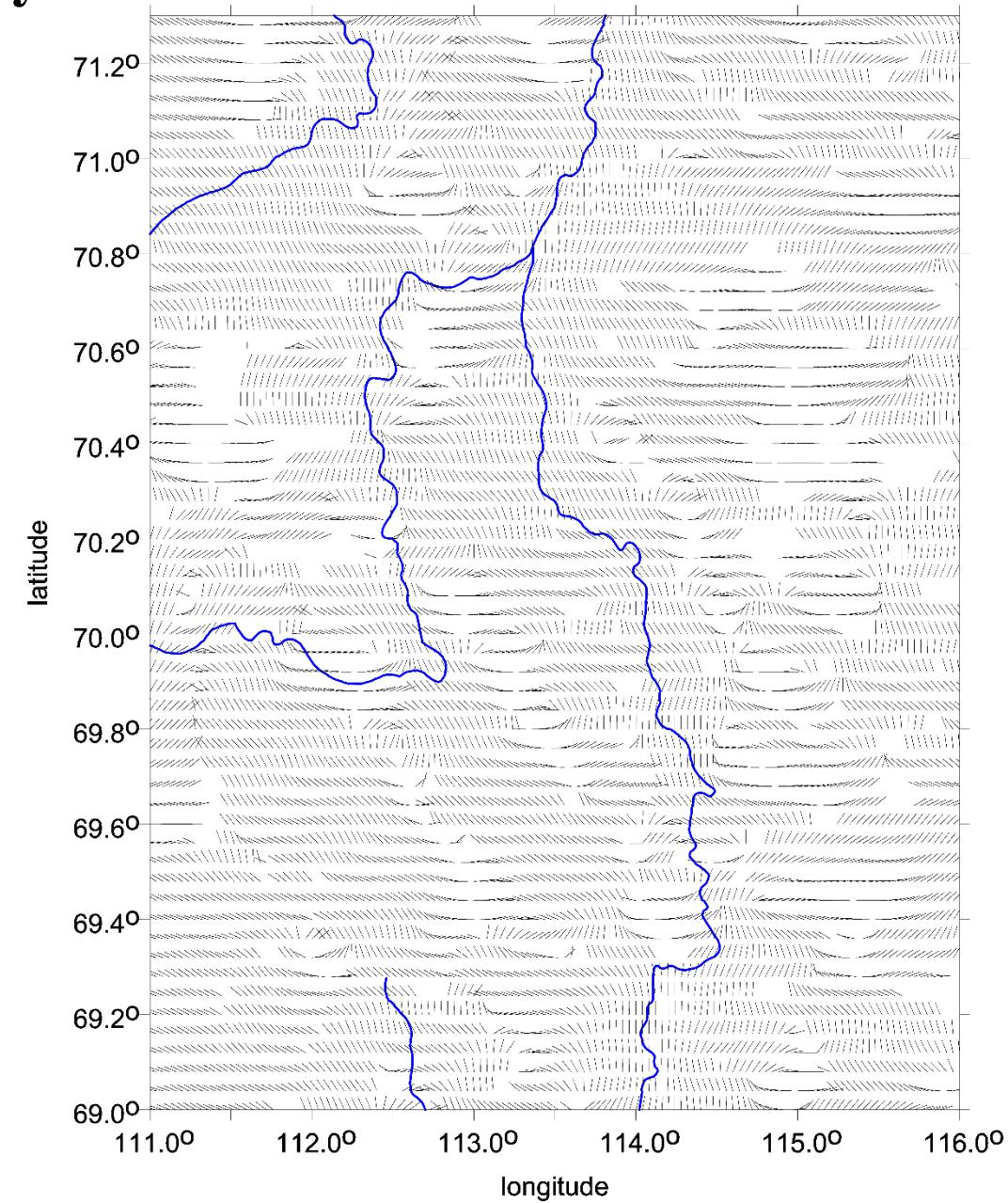
Popigai family

SE part
strike angles
[deg]

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Eigen 6C4 - Popigai - south - Theta for RI < 0.9 (4 km)



Kotuyakanskaya series, Siberia near Popigai family

ETOPO 1 topography [m]

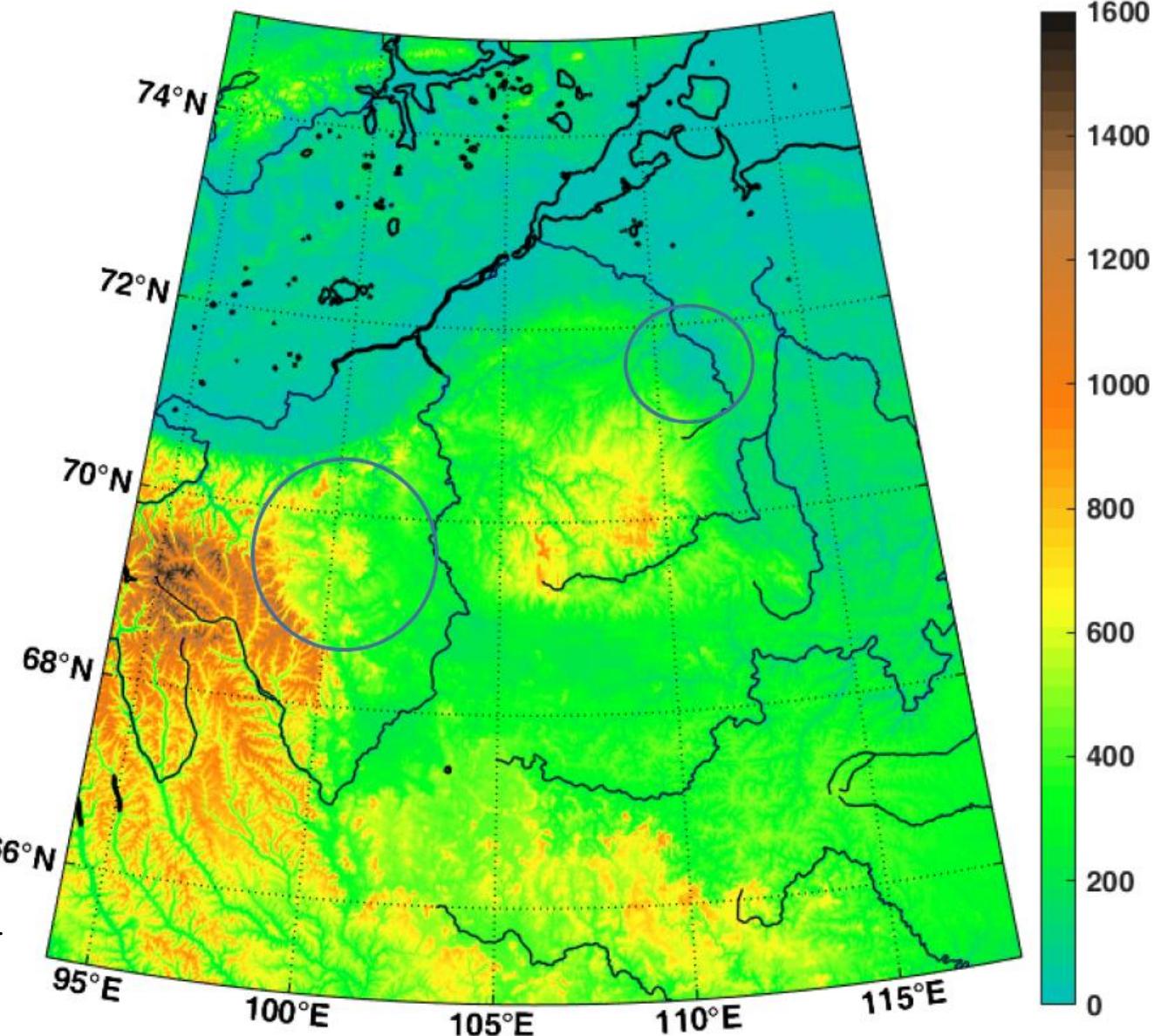
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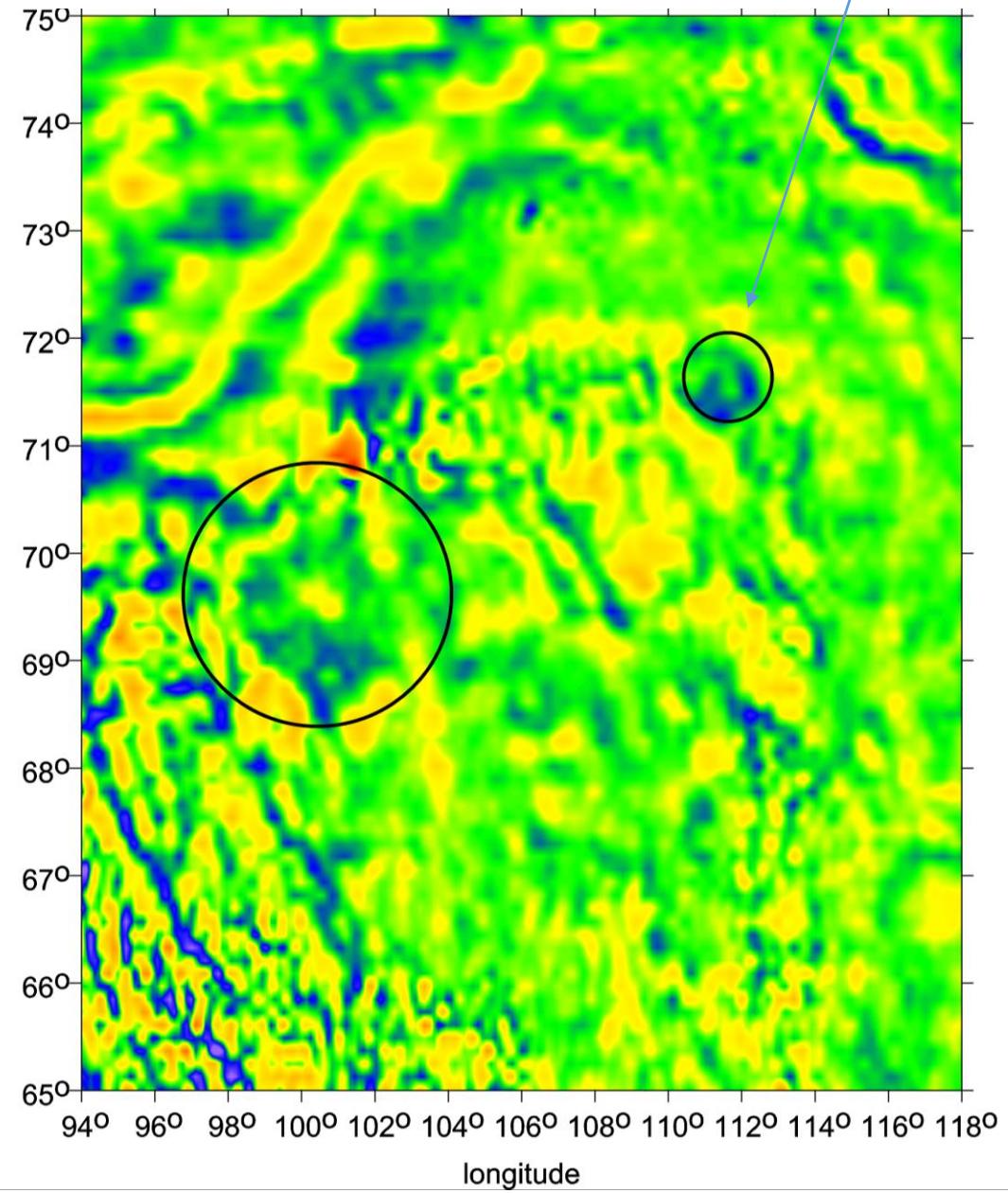
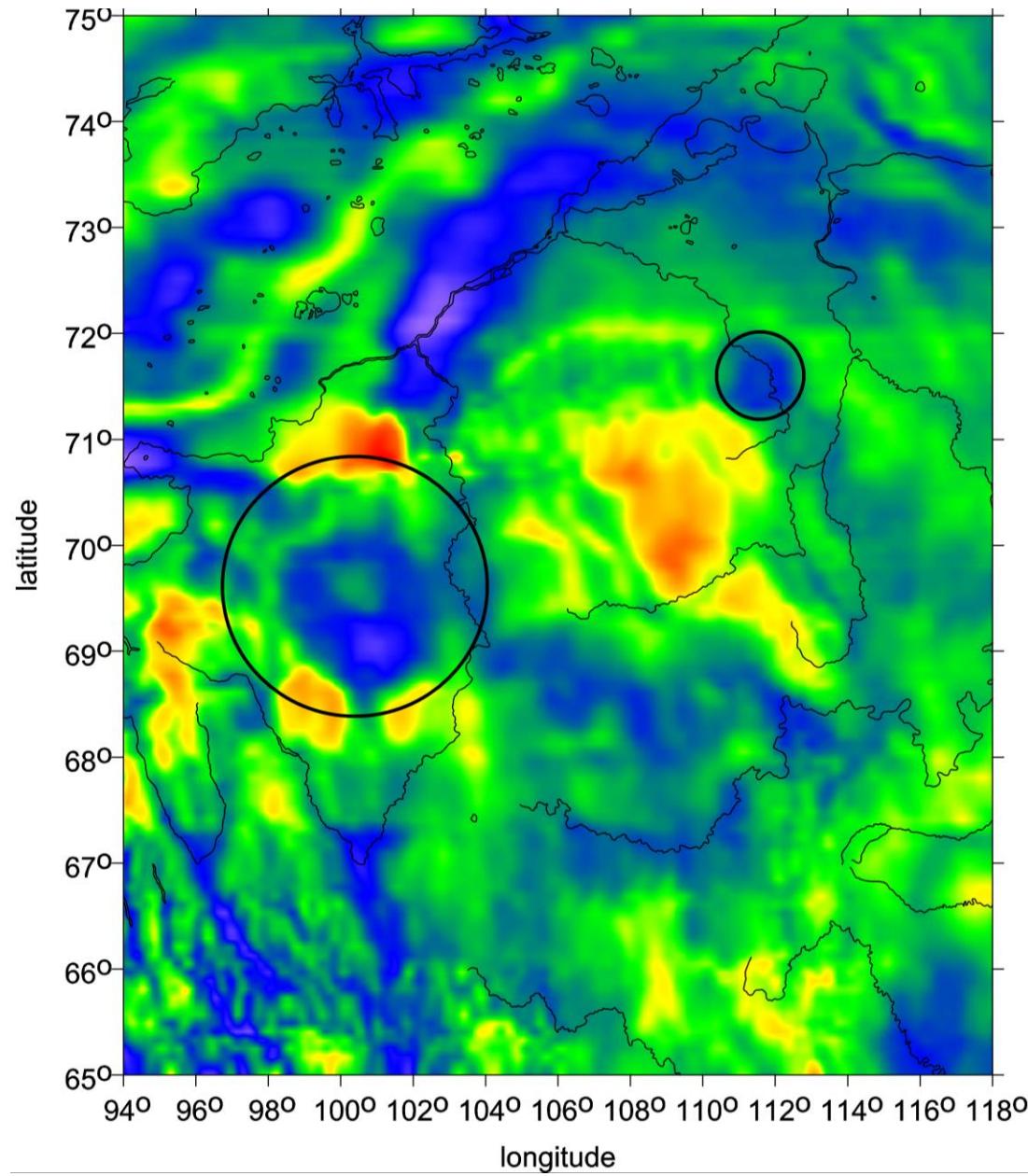
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Kotuyakanskaya



Popigai

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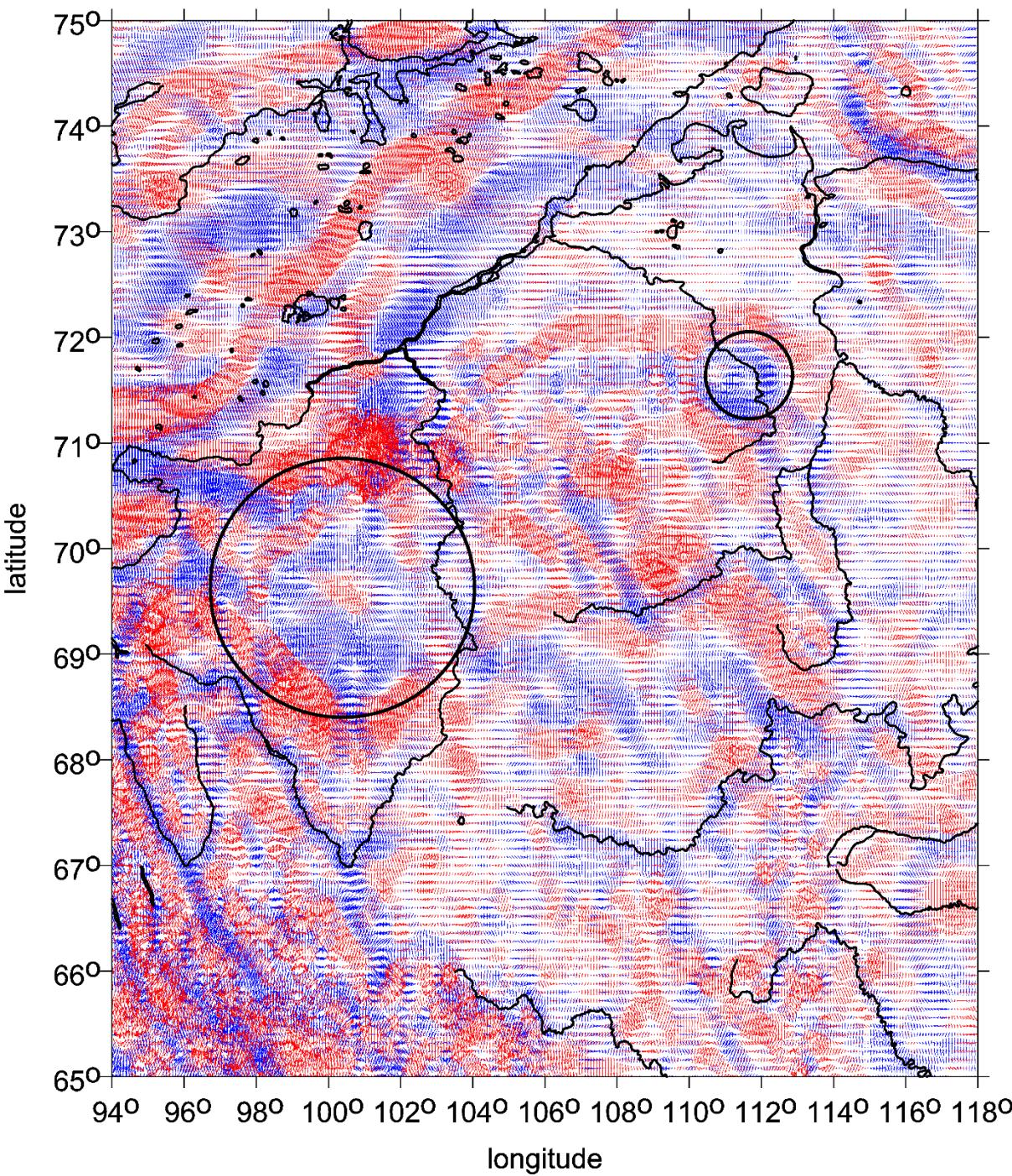
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Kotuyakanskaya series near Popigai family

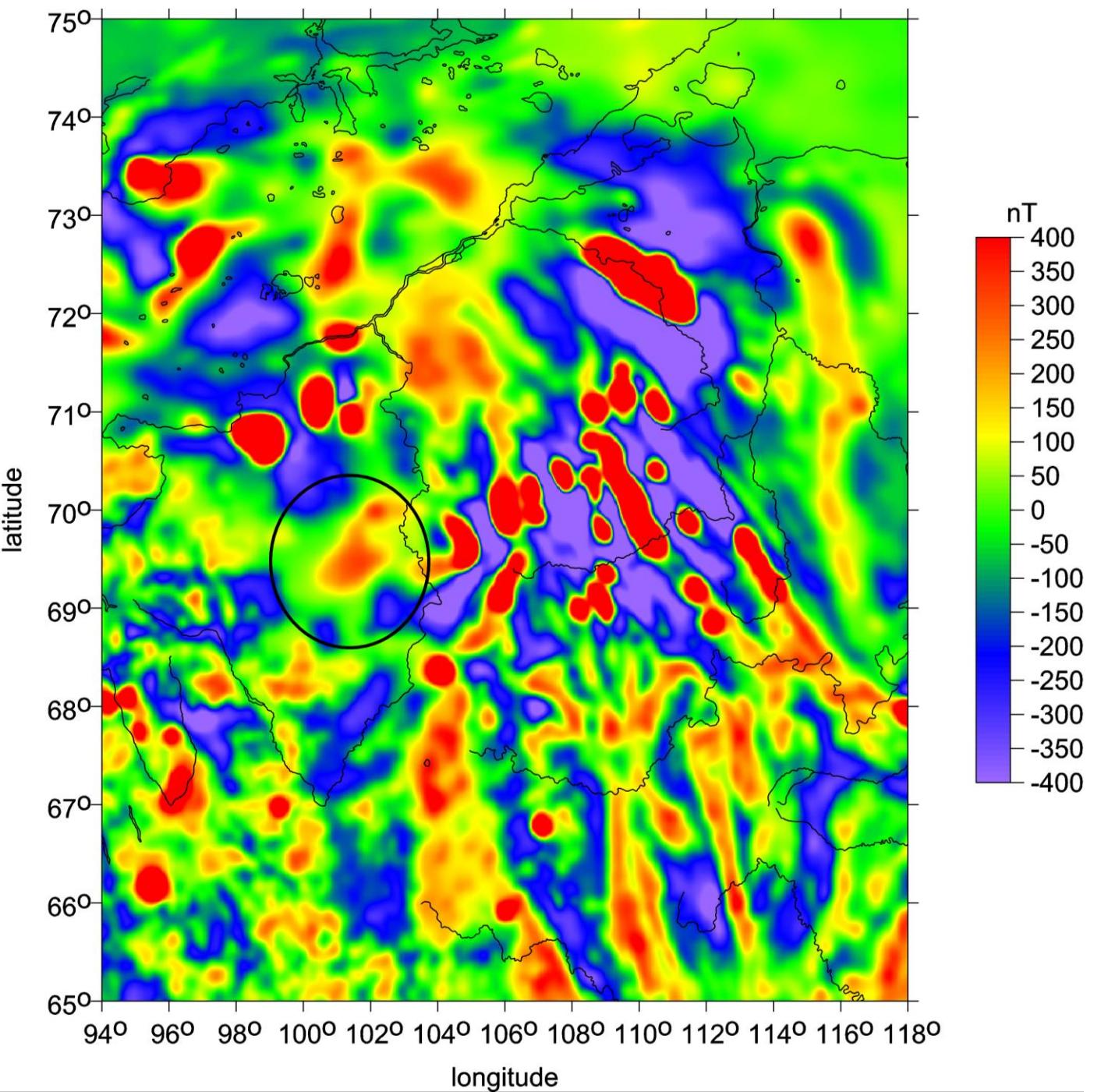
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Kotuyakanskaya

near Popigai family

magnetic intensities [nT]



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