

Quantifying
Statistical Isotropy
Violation
in the CMB

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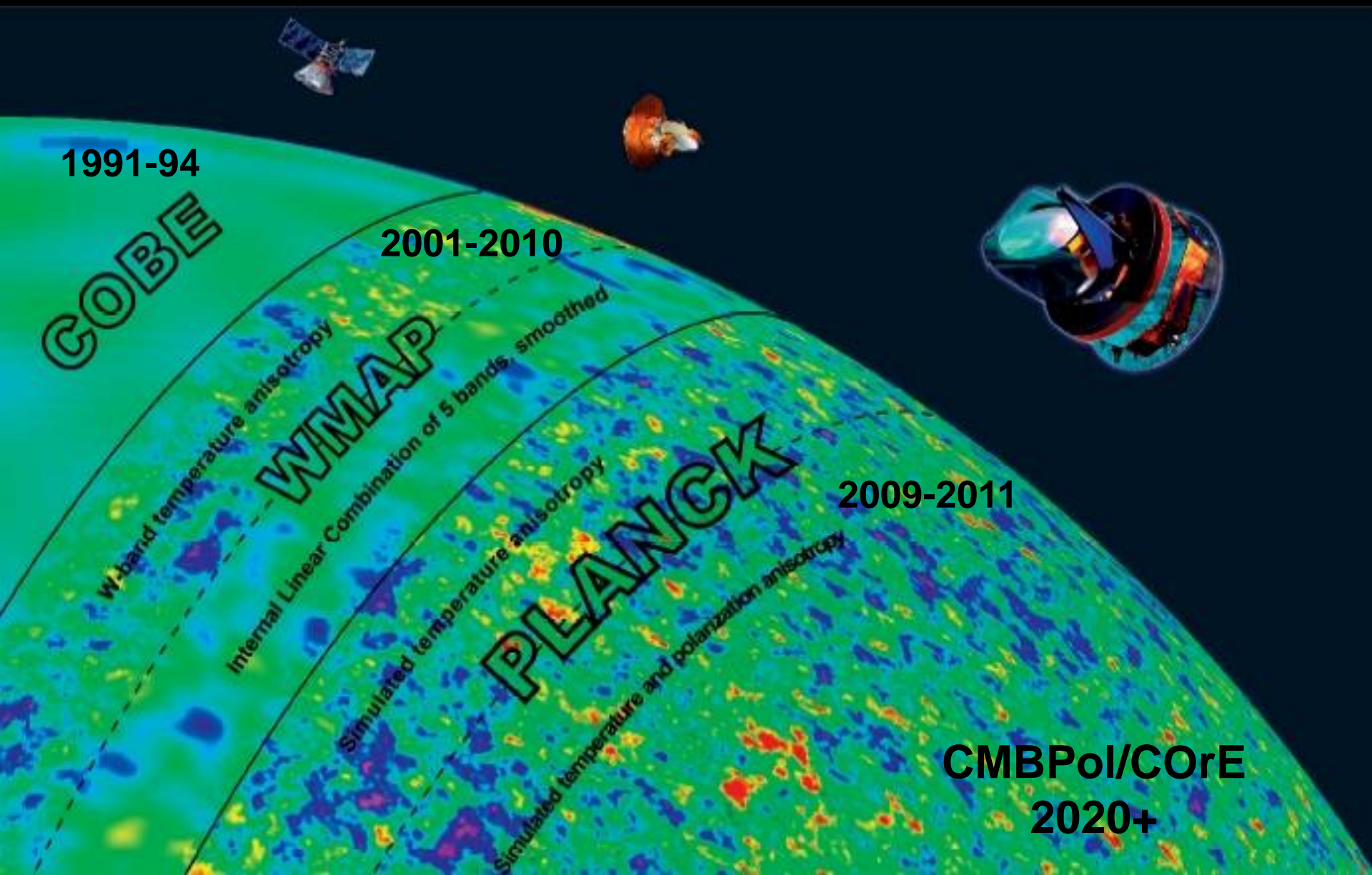
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CMB space missions



CMB Anisotropy & Polarization

CMB temperature

$$T_{\text{cmb}} = 2.725 \text{ K}$$

$$-200 \mu\text{K} < \Delta T < 200 \mu\text{K}$$

$$\Delta T_{\text{rms}} \sim 70 \mu\text{K}$$

$$\Delta T_{\rho E} \sim 5 \mu\text{K}$$

$$\Delta T_{\rho B} \sim 10\text{-}100 \text{ nK}$$

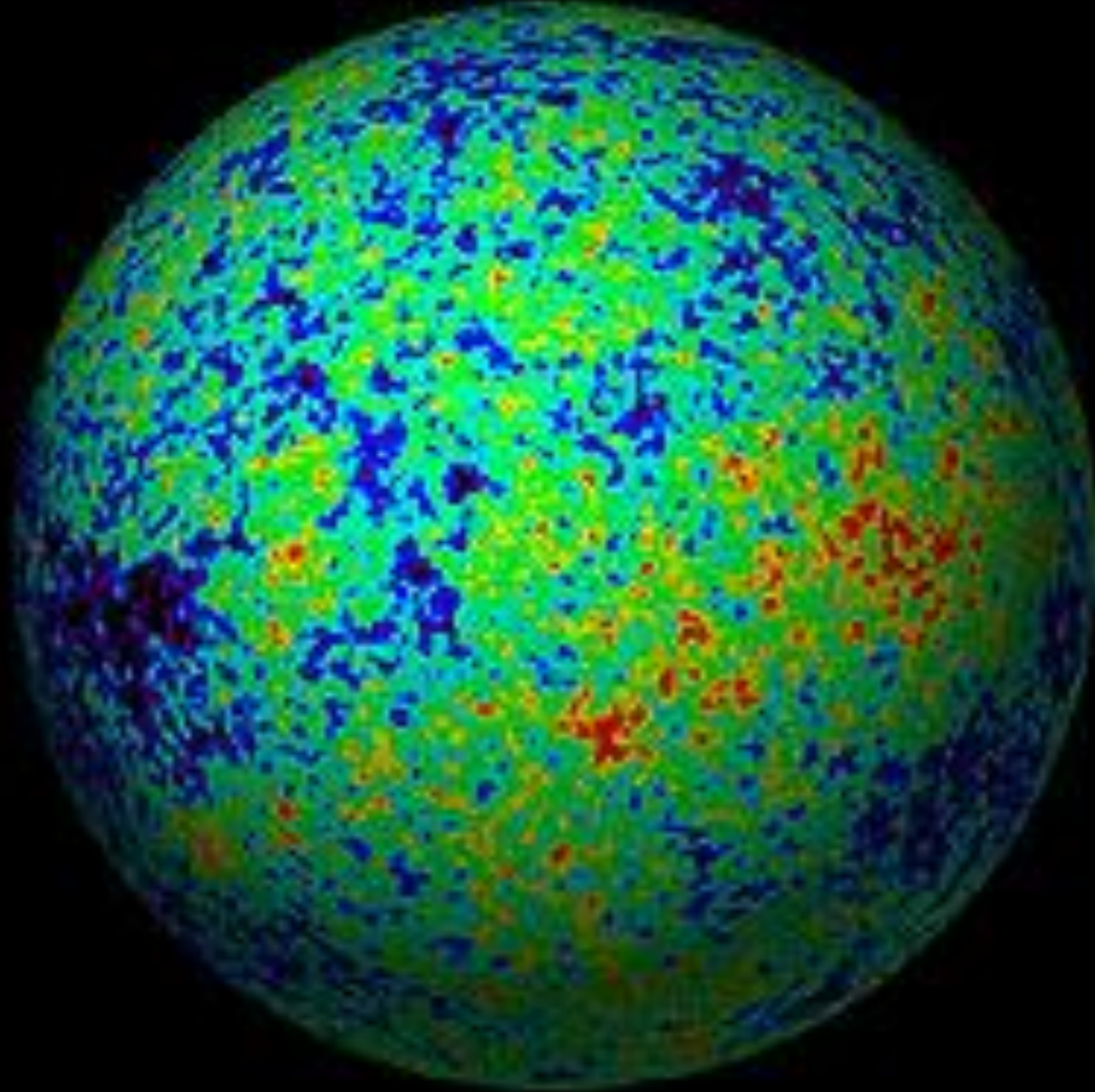
Temperature anisotropy T + two polarization

modes E&B Four CMB spectra : C_l^{TT} ,

$$C_l^{EE}, C_l^{BB}, C_l^{TE}$$

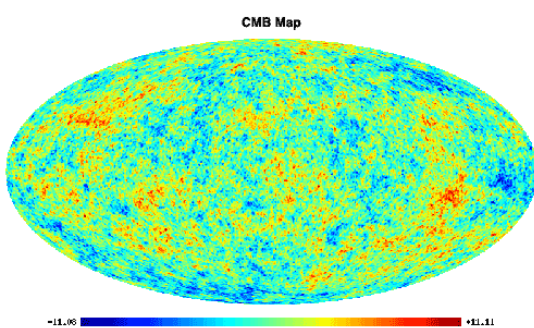
Parity violation/sys. issues: C_l^{TB}, C_l^{EB}

Cosmic “Super-IMAX” theater



Statistics of CMB

CMB Anisotropy Sky map \Rightarrow Spherical Harmonic decomposition



$$\Delta T(\theta, \phi) = \sum_{l=2}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-l}^l a_{lm} Y_{lm}(\theta, \phi)$$

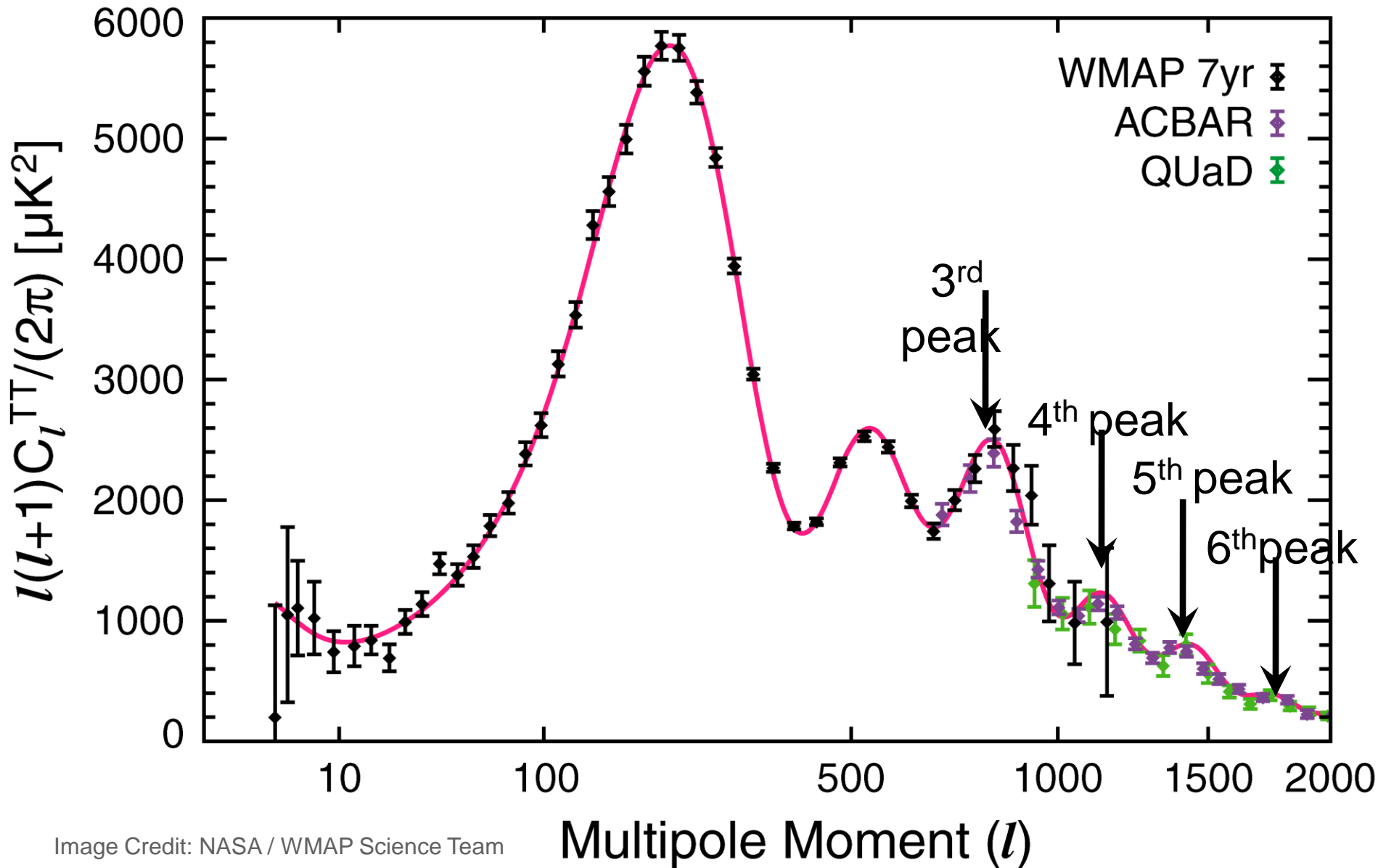
Gaussian CMB anisotropy completely specified by the *angular power spectrum* IF

Statistical
isotropy

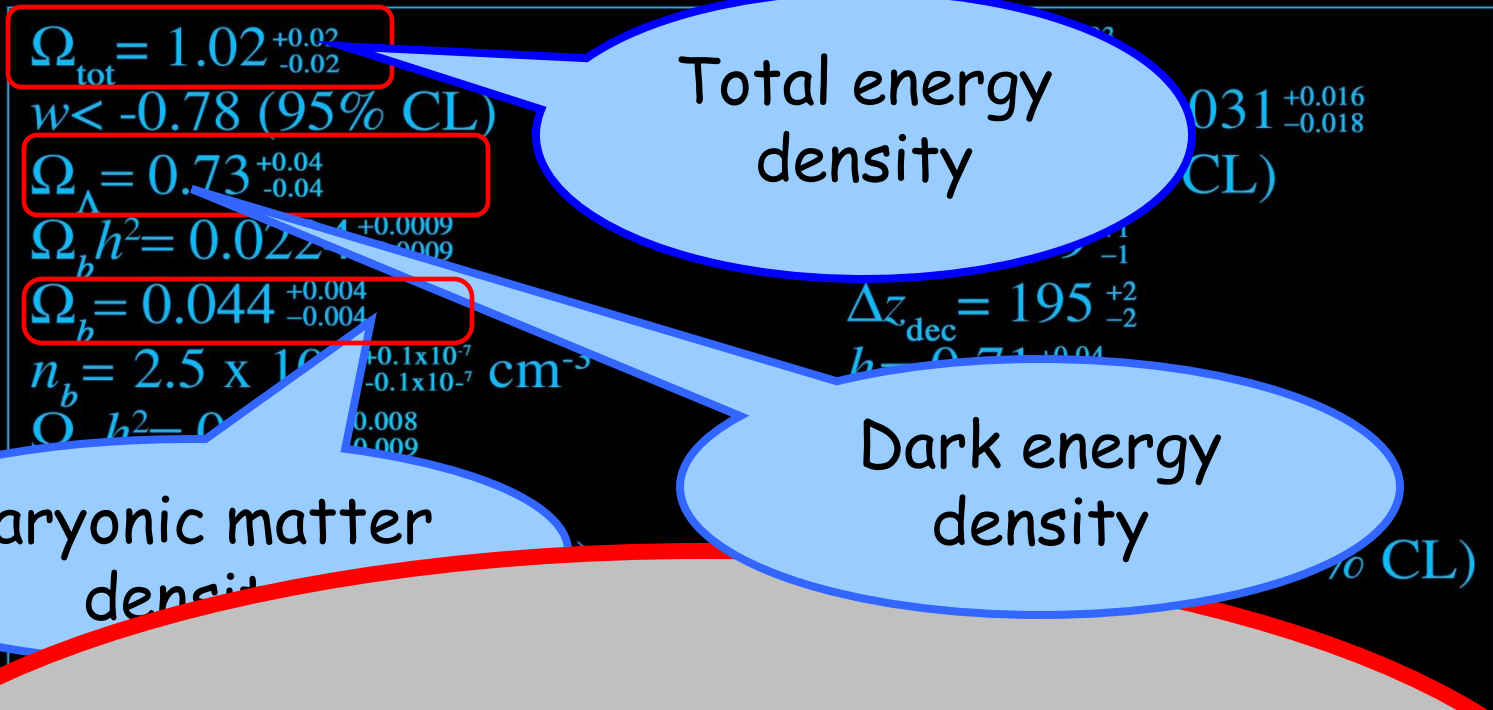
$$\langle a_{lm} a_{l'm'}^* \rangle = C_l \delta_{ll'} \delta_{mm'}$$

\Rightarrow Correlation function $C(n, n')$ is rotationally invariant

Current Angular power spectrum



Good old Cosmology, ... New trend !

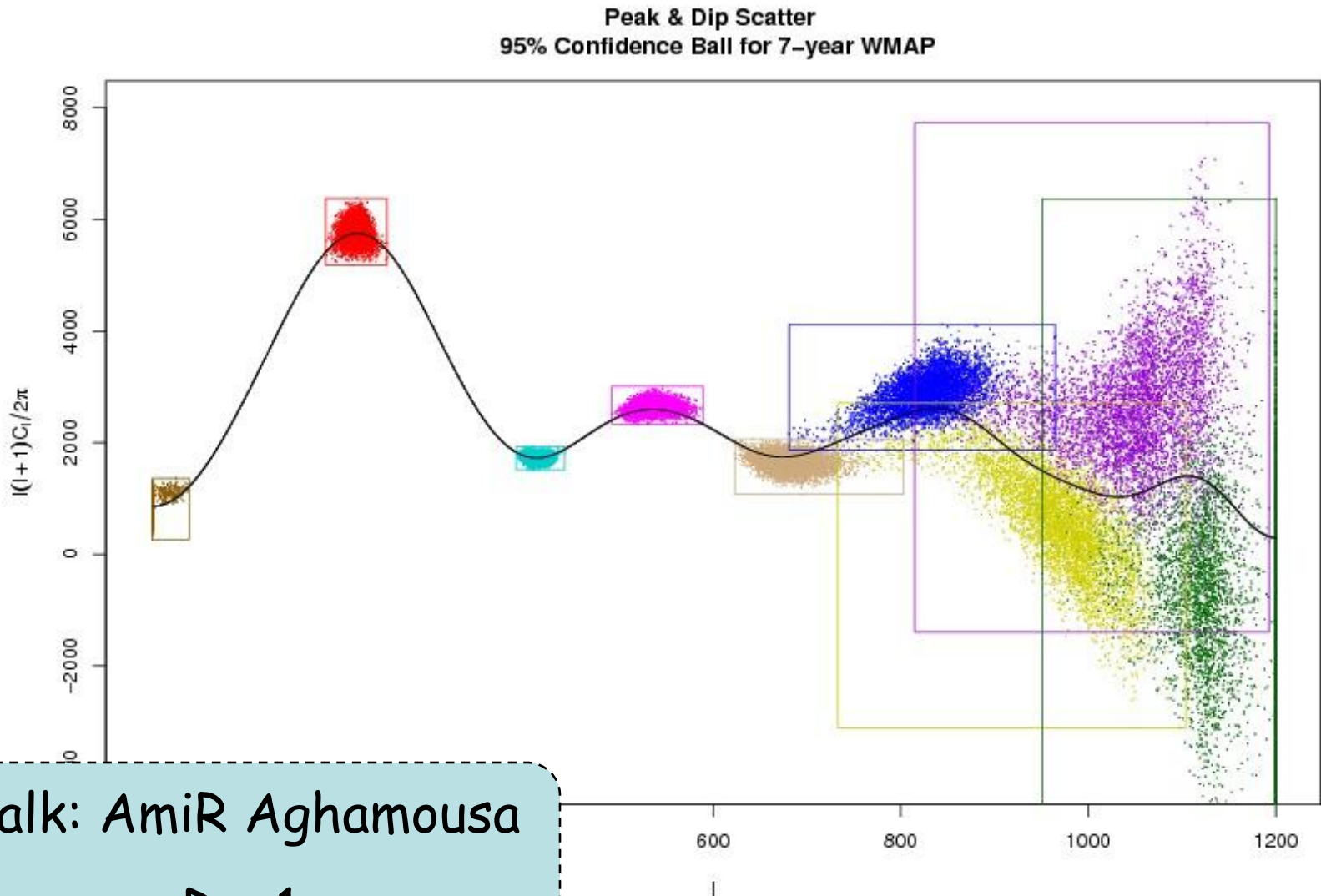


'Standard' cosmological model:
*Flat, Λ CDM (with nearly
Power Law primordial power spectrum)*

Talk: Dhiraj Hazra
PPS with features

Non-Parametric: Peak Location

(Amir Aghamousa, Mihir Arjunwadkar, TS arXiv:1107.0516)



Talk: Amir Aghamousa
Day1

Beyond C_l :

Detecting patterns in CMB

Universe on Ultra-Large scales:

- Global topology
- Global anisotropy/rotation
- Breakdown of global syms, Magnetic field,...

Deflection fields

Observational artifacts:

- Foreground residuals
- Inhomogeneous noise, coverage
- Non-circular beams (eg., Hanson et al. 2010)

Statistics of CMB

$$C(\hat{n}_1, \hat{n}_2) \neq C(\hat{n}_1 \bullet \hat{n}_2)$$

Possibilities:

- Statistically Isotropic, Gaussian models
- Statistically Isotropic, *non*-Gaussian models
- Statistically *An*-isotropic, Gaussian models
- Statistically *An*-isotropic, *non*-Gaussian models

Ferreira & Magueijo 1997,
Bunn & Scott 2000,
Bond, Pogosyan & TS 1998, 2000

Iso-contours of correlation around a point $f(\hat{n}) \equiv C(\hat{n}, \hat{z})$

Radical breakdown of SI

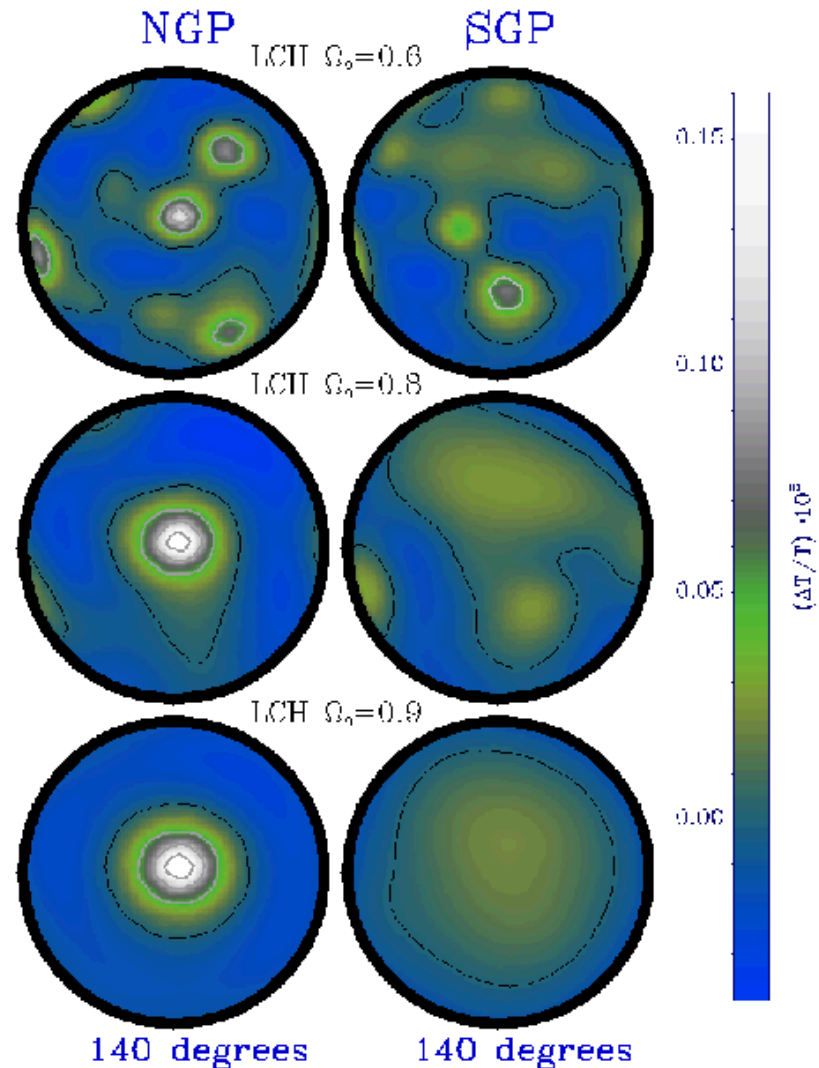
disjoint iso-contours
multiple imaging

Mild breakdown of SI

Distorted iso-contours

Statistically isotropic (SI)

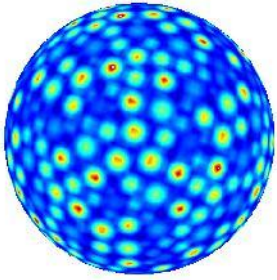
Circular iso-contours



E.g.. Compact hyperbolic Universe .

(Bond, Pogosyan & Souradeep 1998, 2002)

SI violation, or ... Correlation patterns



*Beautiful Correlation patterns
could underlie the CMB tapestry*



Figs. J. Levin

Can we measure correlation patterns?

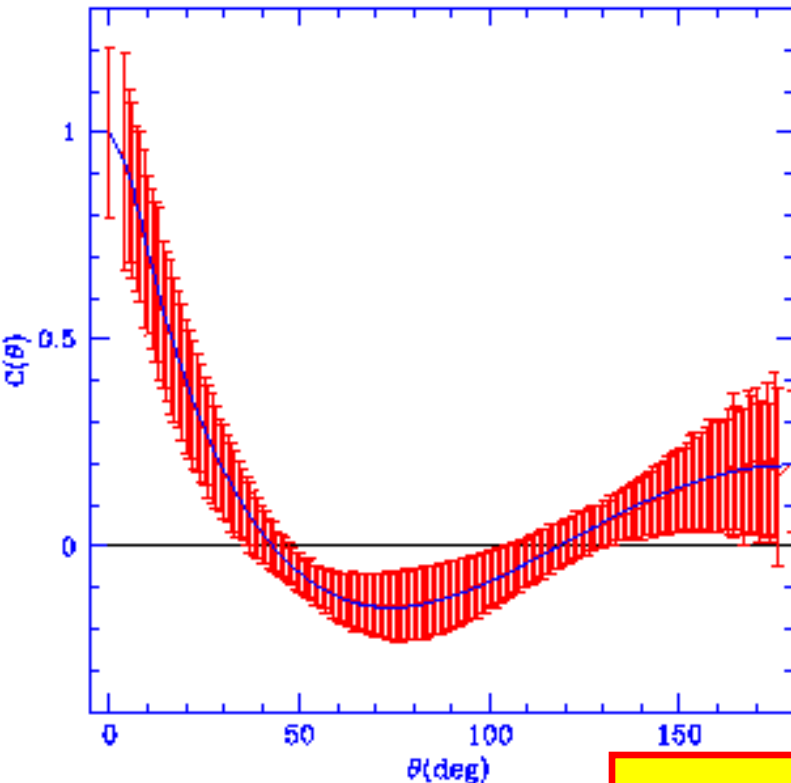
the *COSMIC CATCH* is

there is only one CMB sky !

Measuring the SI correlation

Statistical isotropy

$C(\theta)$ can be well estimated by averaging over the temperature product between all pixel pairs separated by an angle θ .



$$\tilde{C}(\theta) = \sum_{\hat{n}_1} \sum_{\hat{n}_2} \Delta T(\hat{n}_1) \Delta T(\hat{n}_2) \delta(\hat{n}_1 \cdot \hat{n}_2 - \cos\theta)$$

$$C(\hat{n}_1 \cdot \hat{n}_2) = \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \int d\mathcal{R} C(\mathcal{R}\hat{n}_1, \mathcal{R}\hat{n}_2)$$

Measuring the non-SI correlation

In the absence of statistical isotropy

Estimate of the correlation function from a sky map given by a single temperature

product $\tilde{C}(\hat{n}_1, \hat{n}_2) = \Delta T(\hat{n}_1)\Delta T(\hat{n}_2)$

is poorly determined!!

(unless it is a KNOWN pattern)

- Matched circles statistics (Cornish, Starkman, Spergel '98)
- Anticorrelated ISW circle centers (Bond, Pogosyan, TS '98,'02)
- Planar reflective symmetries (de OliveiraCosta, Smoot Starobinsky '96)

Bipolar Power spectrum (BiPS) :

A Generic Measure of Statistical Anisotropy

$$\text{Recall: } C(\hat{n}_1 \bullet \hat{n}_2) = \frac{1}{8\pi^2} \int d\mathcal{R} C(\mathcal{R}\hat{n}_1, \mathcal{R}\hat{n}_2)$$

Bipolar multipole index

κ^l

$$= \int d\Omega_{n_1} \int d\Omega_{n_2}$$

$$\left[\frac{1}{8\pi^2} \int d\mathcal{R} \chi^l(\mathcal{R}) C(\mathcal{R}\hat{n}_1, \mathcal{R}\hat{n}_2) \right]^2$$

A weighted average of the correlation function over all rotations

$$\chi^l(\mathcal{R}) = \sum_{m=-l}^l D_{mm}^l(\mathcal{R})$$

Characteristic function

Wigner rotation matrix

Statistical Isotropy

$$\Rightarrow \kappa^\ell = \kappa^0 \delta_{\ell 0}$$

Correlation is invariant
under rotations

$$C(\mathcal{R}\hat{n}_1, \mathcal{R}\hat{n}_2) = C(\hat{n}_1, \hat{n}_2)$$

$$\kappa^\ell = (2\ell + 1)^2 \int d\Omega_{n_1} \int d\Omega_{n_2} C^2(\hat{n}_1, \hat{n}_2) \left[\frac{1}{8\pi^2} \int d\mathcal{R} \chi^\ell(\mathcal{R}) \right]^2$$

$$\int d\mathcal{R} \chi^\ell(\mathcal{R}) = \delta_{\ell 0}$$

Bipolar Power spectrum (BiPS) :

A Generic Measure of Statistical Anisotropy

- Correlation is a *two point function* on a sphere

$$C(\hat{n}_1, \hat{n}_2) = \sum_{l_1 l_2 LM} A_{l_1 l_2}^{LM} \{Y_{l_1}(\hat{n}_1) \otimes Y_{l_2}(\hat{n}_2)\}_{LM}$$

BiPoSH

Bipolar spherical harmonics.

$$C(n_1 \bullet n_2) = \sum \frac{2l+1}{4\pi} C_l P_l(n_1 \bullet n_2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \{Y_{l_1}(\hat{n}_1) \otimes Y_{l_2}(\hat{n}_2)\}_{LM} \\ &= \sum_{m_1 m_2} C_{l_1 l_2 m_1 m_2}^{LM} Y_{l_1 m_1}(\hat{n}_1) Y_{l_2 m_2}(\hat{n}_2) \end{aligned}$$

Clebsch-Gordan

- Inverse-transform

$$A_{l_1 l_2}^{LM} = \int d\Omega_{n_1} \int d\Omega_{n_2} C(\hat{n}_1, \hat{n}_2) \{Y_{l_1}(\hat{n}_1) \otimes Y_{l_2}(\hat{n}_2)\}_{LM}^*$$

$$= \sum_{m_1 m_2} \langle a_{l_1 m_1} a_{l_2 m_2} \rangle C_{l_1 m_1 l_2 m_2}^{LM}$$

Linear combination of off-diagonal elements

Recall: Coupling of angular momentum states

$$\langle l_1 m_1 l_2 m_2 | \ell M \rangle \quad |l_1 - \ell| \leq l_2 \leq l_1 + \ell, \quad m_1 + m_2 + M = 0$$

BiPoSH
coefficients :

$$A_{l_1 l_2}^{\ell M} = \sum_{m_1} \left\langle a_{l_1 m_1} a_{l_2 M+m_1}^* \right\rangle C_{l_1 m_1 l_2 M+m_1}^{\ell M}$$

- Complete, Independent linear combinations of off-diagonal correlations.
- Encompasses other specific measures of off-diagonal terms, such as

- Durrer et al. '98 :

- Prunet et al. '04 :

$$D_l \equiv \left\langle a_{lm} a_{l+2 m} \right\rangle = \sum_{\ell M} A_{l' l}^{\ell M} C_{l+2 m l m}^{\ell M}$$

$$D_l^{(i)} \equiv \left\langle a_{lm} a_{l+1 m+i} \right\rangle = \sum_{\ell M} A_{l' l}^{\ell M} C_{l+1 m+i l m}^{\ell M}$$

BiPS:

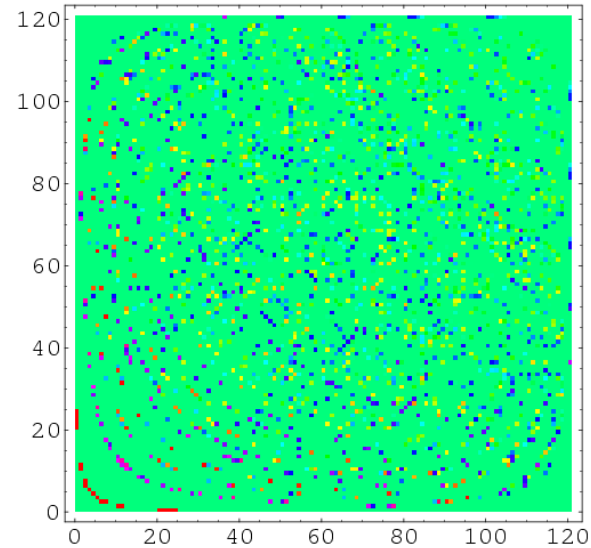
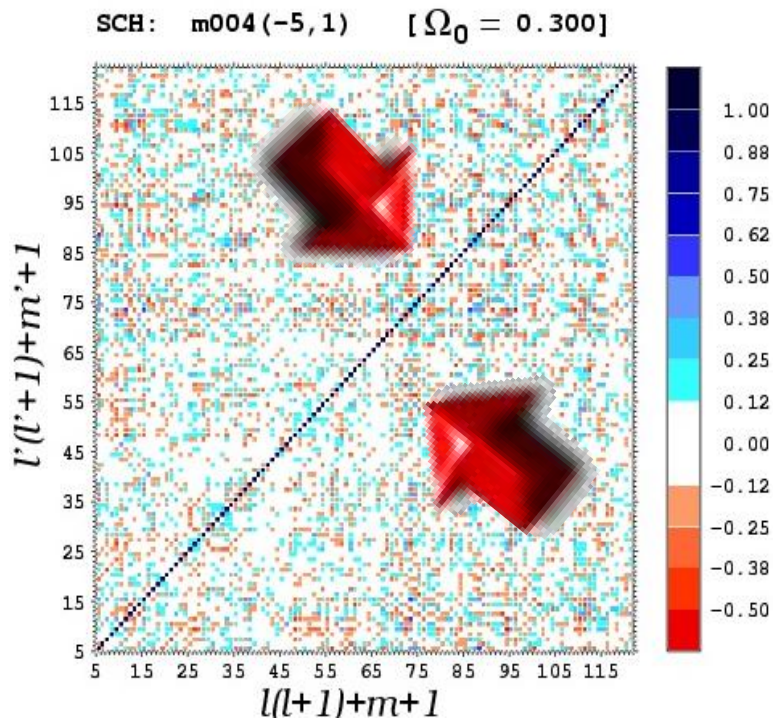
rotationally invariant

$$K^\ell \equiv \sum_{M, l_1, l_2} |A_{l_1 l_2}^{\ell M}|^2 \geq 0$$

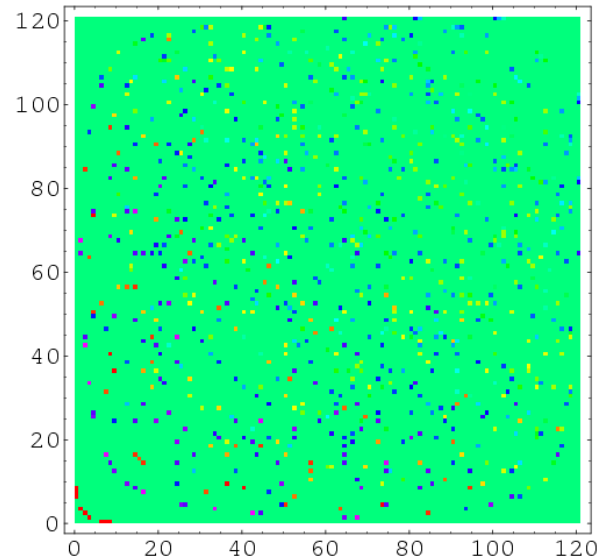
Understanding BiPoSH coefficients

SI violation:

$$\langle a_{lm} a_{l'm'}^* \rangle \neq C_l \delta_{ll'} \delta_{mm'}$$



$$A_{ll'}^{4M}$$



$$A_{ll'}^{2M}$$

$$A_{ll'}^{LM} = \sum_{mm'} \langle a_{lm} a_{l'm'}^* \rangle C_{lml'm'}^{LM}$$

Measure cross correlation in a_{lm}

**Spherical
harmonics**

**Bipolar spherical
harmonics**

a_{lm}	$A_{ll'}^{\ell M}$
Spherical Harmonic coefficients	BiPoSH coefficients
C_l	K^l
Angular power spectrum	BiPS

Bipolar Power spectrum (BiPS) :
A Generic Measure of Statistical Anisotropy

Spherical harmonics

Bipolar spherical harmonics

a_{lm}	$A_{ll'}$
Spherical Harmonic Transforms	BipoSH Transforms
C_l	K^l
Angular power spectrum	BiPS

Statistical Isotropy
i.e., NO Patterns

$$\Rightarrow K^l = K^0 \delta_{l0}$$

BIPOLAR maps of WMAP

Hajian & Souradeep (PRD 2007)

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Reduced BipoSH

$$A_{\ell M} = \sum_{\ell'} A_{\ell' M}$$

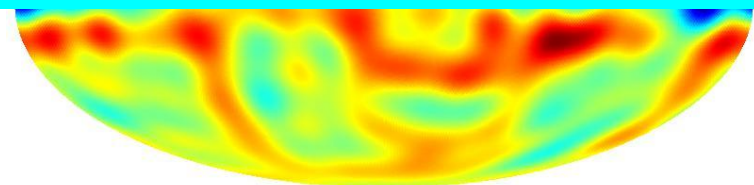
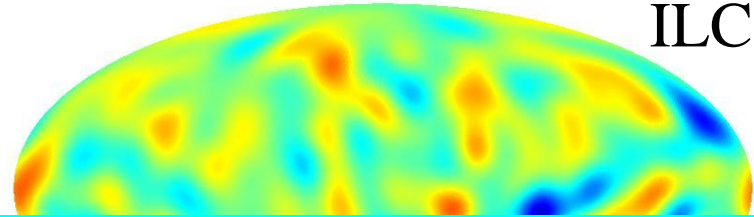
Bipolar m

$$\theta(\hat{n}) = \sum_{\ell M} A_{\ell M} Y_{\ell M}(\hat{n})$$

- SI part corresponds to the “monopole” of the map.

Bipolar representation

- Measure of statistical isotropy
- Spectroscopy of Cosmic topology
- Anisotropic power spectrum
- Deflection fields (WL,...)
- Diagnostic of systematic effects/observational artifacts in the map
- Differentiate Cosmic vs. Galactic B-mode polarization



Preferred Directions in the universe

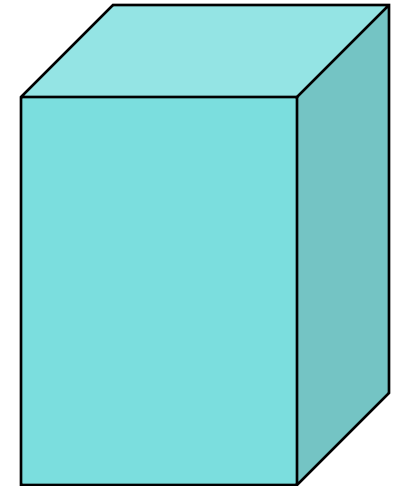
Correlation function on a Torus (periodic box)

$$C(q_1, q_2) = \sum_n P(k_n) \exp\left[-i \frac{2\pi R}{L} \vec{n} \cdot (\hat{q}_1 - \hat{q}_2)\right]$$

SI violation at low wave-number, $kR \ll 1$

$$C(q_1, q_2) \approx C_0 \left[1 - \sum_i \varepsilon_i^2 (\Delta q_i)^2\right]$$

$$\kappa_\ell = \kappa_0(\varepsilon_i) \delta_{\ell 0} + \kappa_2(\varepsilon_i) \delta_{\ell 2}$$



(Hajian & Souradeep 2003)

More generally,

$$P(\vec{k}) = P_0(k) [1 + g_{LM}(k) Y_{LM}(\hat{k})]$$

(Pullen & Kamionkowski 2008)

$$A_{\ell' \ell}^{LM} = C_{\ell' \ell 0}^{L0} \int \frac{dk}{k} P_0(k) g_{LM}(k) \Delta_\ell(k, \tau_o) \Delta_{\ell'}(k, \tau_o)$$

Talk: Moumita Aich
BipoSH for Torus

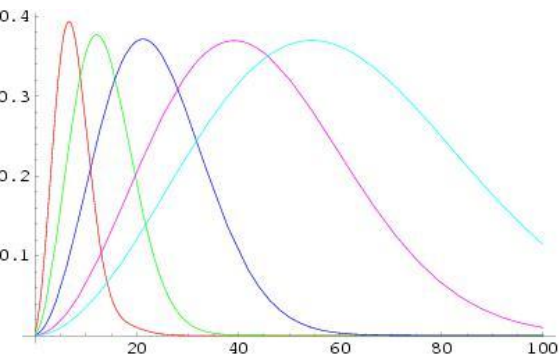
Testing Statistical Isotropy of WMAP-3yr

Hajian & Souradeep, (PRD 2007)

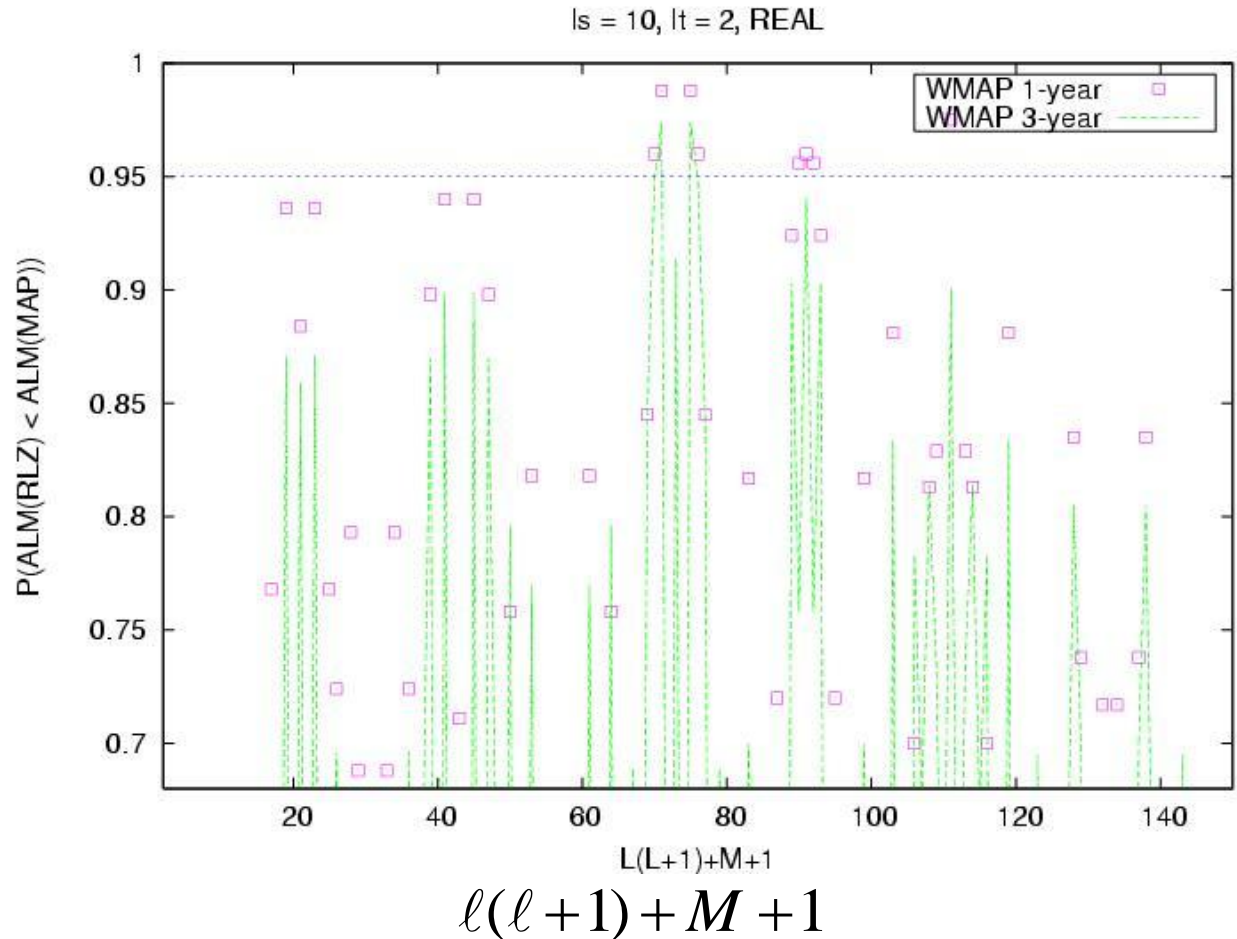
Retain orientation
information:
Reduced BipoSH

Outliers (> 95%)

$$A_{\ell M} = \sum_{\ell'} A_{\ell'}^{\ell M}$$



Filters

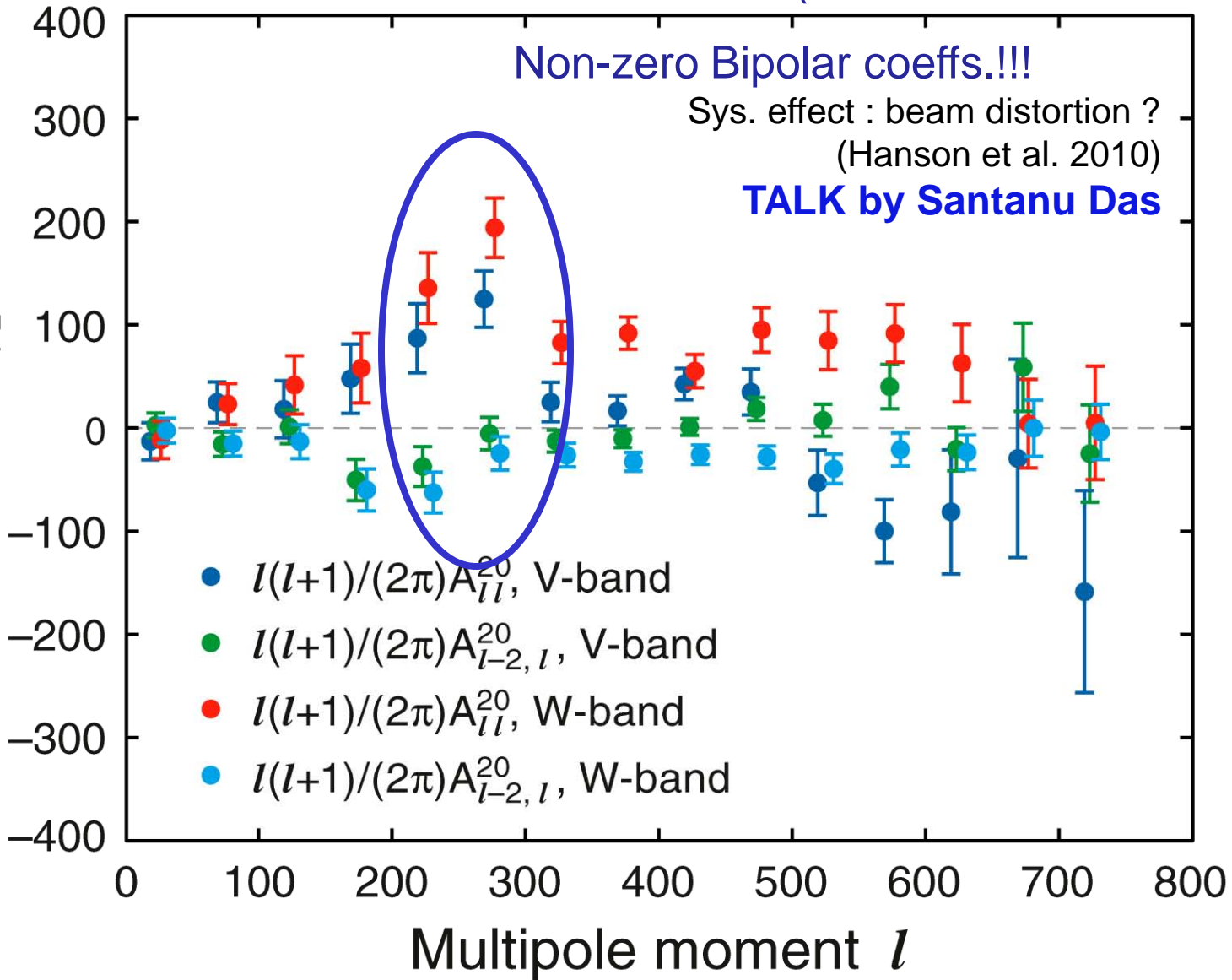


BIPOLAR measurements by WMAP-7 team

(Bennet et al. 2010)

$$\frac{A_{l_1 l_2}^{(+)\text{LM}}}{C_{l_0 l'0}^{L0}}$$

$$l_2(l_2+1)/(2\pi)A_{l_1 l_2}^{20} [\mu\text{K}]^2$$

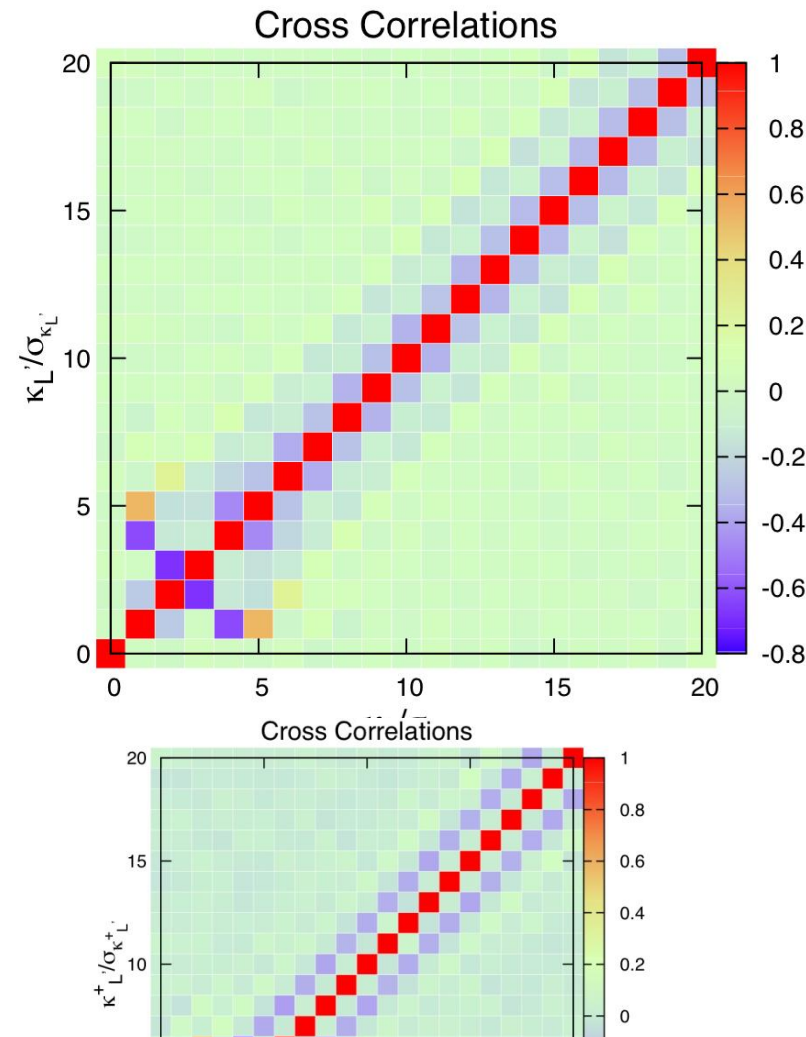
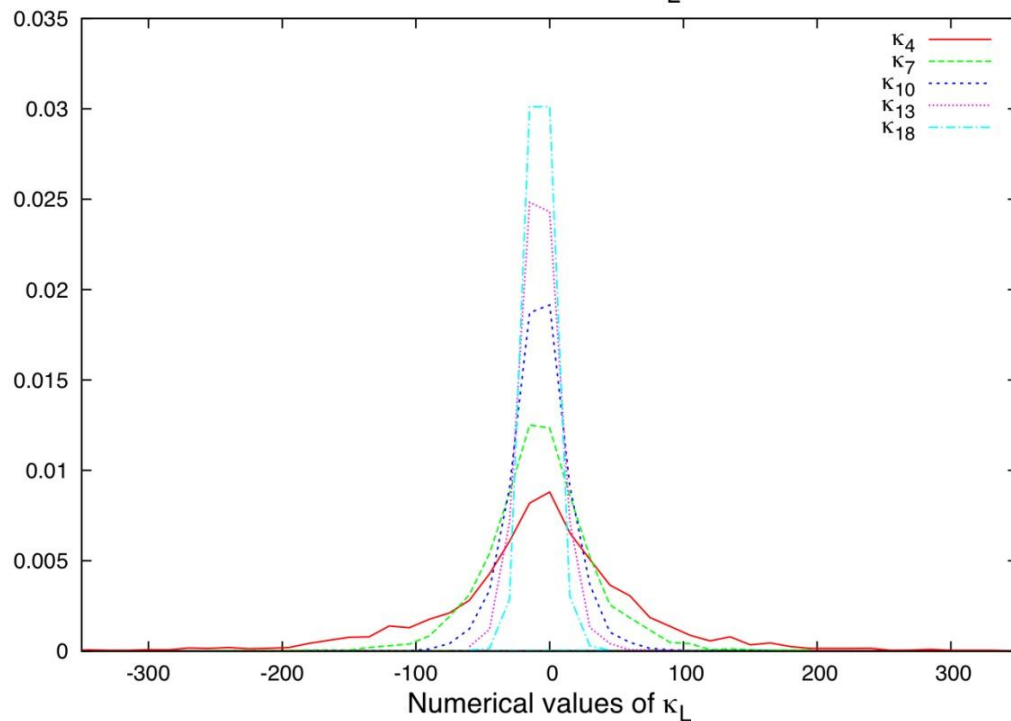


Revisiting Statistics of BipoSH

(Nidhi Joshi, Aditya Rotti, *TS*, 2011)

- ~Analytic PDF for BipoSH
- Confirmed with MC simulations
- Faster BipoSH code (20x)
- Compute up to high multipoles

Distribution of the κ_L 's



Talk: Nidhi Joshi
Day 2

Even & odd Bipolar coefficients

$$C(\hat{n}_1, \hat{n}_2) = \sum_{l_1 l_2 LM} A_{l_1 l_2}^{LM} \{Y_{l_1}(\hat{n}_1) \otimes Y_{l_2}(\hat{n}_2)\}_{LM}$$

$$\Rightarrow C(\hat{n}_1, \hat{n}_2) = \sum_{l' LM} A_{l' LM}^{(+)} \left[\frac{[1+(-1)^{L+l+l'}]}{2} \right] \{Y_{l_1}(\hat{n}_1) \otimes Y_{l_2}(\hat{n}_2)\}_{LM}$$

$$+ \sum_{l' LM} A_{l' LM}^{(-)} \left[\frac{[1-(-1)^{L+l+l'+1}]}{2} \right] \{Y_{l_1}(\hat{n}_1) \otimes Y_{l_2}(\hat{n}_2)\}_{LM}$$

If only even $L+l'+l$ contribute, it is becoming popular to use

$$A_{l_1 l_2}^{(+)} \rightarrow \frac{A_{l_1 l_2}^{(+)} C_{l_1 l_2}^{LM}}{C_{l_1 l_2}^{L0}} \sqrt{\frac{2L+1}{(2l_1+1)(2l_2+1)}}$$

- Anisotropic P(k)
- Linear order templates

Even & odd parity BiposH

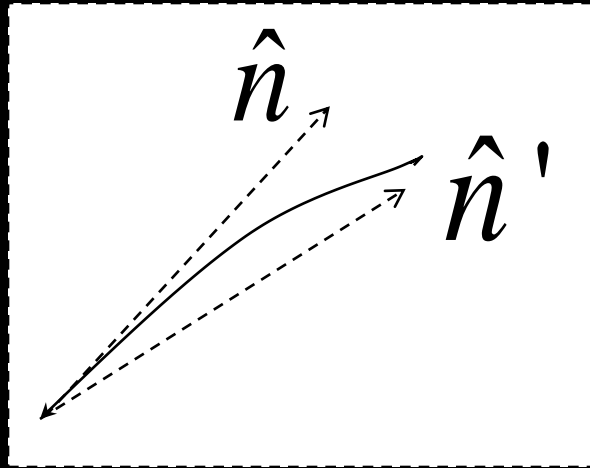
$$A_{l_2 l_1}^{(+)\,LM} = A_{l_1 l_2}^{(+)\,LM} \quad \text{symmetric}$$

$$A_{l_2 l_1}^{(-)\,LM} = -A_{l_1 l_2}^{(-)\,LM} \quad \text{antisymm.}$$

$$[A_{l_1 l_2}^{(+)\,LM}]^* = (-1)^M A_{l_1 l_2}^{(+)\,L,-M} \quad \text{Even parity}$$

$$[A_{l_1 l_2}^{(-)\,LM}]^* = (-1)^{M+1} A_{l_1 l_2}^{(-)\,L,-M} \quad \text{Odd parity}$$

SI violation : Deflection field



$$T(\hat{n}') = T(\hat{n} + \vec{\Theta}) = T(\hat{n}) + \vec{\Theta} \bullet \vec{\nabla} T(\hat{n})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{\Theta} &= \vec{\nabla} \phi(\hat{n}) + \vec{\nabla} \times \Omega(\hat{n}) \\ &= \nabla_i \phi(\hat{n}) + \varepsilon_{ij} \nabla_j \Omega(\hat{n}) \end{aligned}$$

Gradient

Curl

WL: scalar

WL: tensor/GW

SI violation : Deflection field

Brooks, Kamionkowski & Souradeep

$$T(\hat{n}) \rightarrow a_{lm} = a_{lm}^S + \delta a_{lm}, \quad \phi(\hat{n}), \Omega(\hat{n}) \rightarrow \phi_{LM}, \Omega_{LM}$$

$$\delta a_{lm} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{LM} \sum_{l'm'} a_{l'm'}^S \left[\phi_{LM} E_{ll'}^L - i \Omega_{LM} O_{ll'}^L \right] G_{ll'}^L C_{lml'm'}^{LM}$$

$$G_{ll'}^L = [\dots] C_{l0l'-1}^{L1} \quad (= [\dots] C_{l0l'0}^{L0} \text{ for } l+l'+L : \text{even})$$

$$\text{even: } E_{ll'}^L = \frac{1}{2} \left[1 + (-1)^{l+l'+L} \right] \quad \& \quad \text{odd: } O_{ll'}^L = \frac{1}{2} \left[1 - (-1)^{l+l'+L} \right]$$

$$\text{SI violation: } \langle a_{lm} a_{l'm'} \rangle \neq C_l \delta_{ll'} \delta_{mm'}$$

Deflection field: Even & Odd parity BipoSH

Brooks, Kamionkowski & Souradeep 2011

$$A_{l'l}^{(+)\,LM} = \phi_{LM} \left[\frac{C_l G_{l'l}^L}{\sqrt{l'(l'+1)}} + \frac{C_{l'} G_{ll'}^L}{\sqrt{l(l+1)}} \right]$$

WL: scalar

$$A_{l_2 l_1}^{(-)\,LM} = i\Omega_{LM} \left[\frac{C_l G_{l'l}^L}{\sqrt{l'(l'+1)}} - \frac{C_{l'} G_{ll'}^L}{\sqrt{l(l+1)}} \right]$$

WL: tensor

BipoSH Measures of deflection field

Estimators

$$\tilde{\phi}_{LM} = \frac{\sum_{l_1 l_2} Q_{l_1 l_2}^+ A_{l_1 l_2}^{(+)\, LM} / \sigma_{l_1 l_2}^{2\, LM}}{\sum_{l_1 l_2} (Q_{l_1 l_2}^+)^2 / \sigma_{l_1 l_2}^{2\, LM}}$$

$$\tilde{\Omega}_{LM} = \frac{\sum_{l_1 l_2} Q_{l_1 l_2}^- A_{l_1 l_2}^{(-)\, LM} / \sigma_{l_1 l_2}^{2\, LM}}{\sum_{l_1 l_2} (Q_{l_1 l_2}^-)^2 / \sigma_{l_1 l_2}^{2\, LM}}$$

Variance

$$\text{var}(\tilde{\phi}_{LM}) = \left[\sum_{l_1 l_2} (Q_{l_1 l_2}^+)^2 / \sigma_{l_1 l_2}^{2\, LM} \right]^{-1}$$

$$\text{var}(\tilde{\Omega}_{LM}) = \left[\sum_{l_1 l_2} (Q_{l_1 l_2}^-)^2 / \sigma_{l_1 l_2}^{2\, LM} \right]^{-1}$$

$$A_{l_1 l_2}^{(\pm)\, LM} \rightarrow \frac{A_{l_1 l_2}^{(\pm)\, LM}}{C_{l_0 l_1}^{L1} [\dots]} = \frac{A_{l_1 l_2}^{(\pm)\, LM}}{G_{l_1 l_2}^L}$$

CMB BipoSHs & Bispectra

(Kamionkowski & Souradeep, PRD 2011)

For deflection field $a_{lm} = a_{lm}^S + \delta a_{lm}$

$$A_{ll'}^{LM} \propto \phi_{LM} \sum_{mm'} \langle a_{lm}^S a_{l'm'}^S \rangle C_{lml'm'}^{LM}$$

$$\phi_{LM} \rightarrow a_{LM} \Rightarrow A_{ll'}^{LM} \propto \sum_{mm'} \langle a_{LM} a_{lm} a_{l'm'} \rangle C_{lml'm'}^{LM}$$

BipoSH related to Bispectrum

$$B_{Lll'} \propto \sum_{Mmm'} \langle a_{LM} a_{lm} a_{l'm'} \rangle C_{lml'm'}^{LM} \quad (\dots)$$

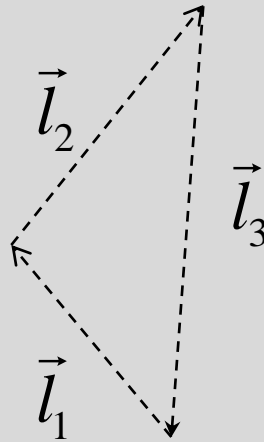
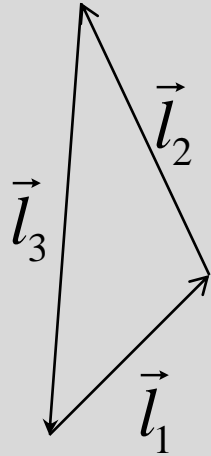
$$\propto \sum_M A_{ll'}^{(+)LM}$$

Consider only: $l + l' + L = \text{even}$

Odd parity Bispectra ?

$$B_{LL'}^{(-)} \propto \sum_M A_{ll'}^{(-)LM}$$

Flat sky intuition:



$$l_1 < l_2 < l_3$$

$$B^{(-)} \propto \frac{\vec{l}_1 \times \vec{l}_2}{l_1 l_2}$$

has opposite sign in the two mirror configurations.

Odd parity Bispectra

For local NG model

Flat sky approx

$$B(\vec{l}_1, \vec{l}_2) = 2 \left[f_{\text{nl}} + f_{\text{nl}}^{\text{odd}} \frac{\vec{l}_1 \times \vec{l}_2}{l_1 l_2} \right] (C_{l_1} C_{l_2} + \text{perms.})$$

In general

$$\tilde{f}_{\text{nl}} = \sigma_{f_{\text{nl}}}^2 \sum_{l_1 < l_2 < l_3} 6 G_{l_1 l_2}^{l_3} \frac{(C_{l_1} C_{l_2} + \text{perms.})}{C_{l_1} C_{l_2} + C_{l_3} C_{l_2} + C_{l_1} C_{l_3}} E_{l_1 l_2}^{l_3}$$

$$\tilde{f}_{\text{nl}}^{\text{odd}} = \sigma_{f_{\text{nl}}}^2 \sum_{l_1 < l_2 < l_3} 6 G_{l_1 l_2}^{l_3} \frac{(C_{l_1} C_{l_2} + \text{perms.})}{C_{l_1} C_{l_2} + C_{l_3} C_{l_2} + C_{l_1} C_{l_3}} O_{l_1 l_2}^{l_3}$$

$$\sigma_{f_{\text{nl}}}^{-2} = \sum_{l_1 < l_2 < l_3} \frac{\left[6 G_{l_1 l_2}^{l_3} (C_{l_1} C_{l_2} + \text{perms.}) \right]^2}{C_{l_1} C_{l_2} + C_{l_3} C_{l_2} + C_{l_1} C_{l_3}}$$

Summary

- Current observations now allow a meaningful search for deviations from the 'standard' flat, Λ CDM cosmology.
 - Anomalies in WMAP suggest possible breakdown of statistical isotropy.
- Thank you !!!**
- **Bipolar harmonics provide a mathematically complete, well defined, representation of SI violation.**
 - Possible to include SI violation in CMB arising **both** from *direction dependent Primordial Power Spectrum*, as well as, *SI violation in the CMB photon distribution function*.
 - *BipoSH* provide a well structured representation of the systematic breakdown of rotational symmetry.
 - Bipolar observables have been measured in the WMAP data.
 - Systematic effects are important and must be quantified similar to signal
 - **BipoSH coefficients can be separated into even and odd parity parts.**
 - For a general deflection field, gradient & curl parts are represented by even & odd parity BipoSH, respectively. Eg., Weak lensing by scalar & tensor (or 2nd order scalar) perturbations.
 - Estimators for grad/curl deflections field harmonics in terms of even/odd BipoSH
 - **BipoSH for correlated deflection field relate to Bispectra**
 - *Pointed to, hitherto unexplored, odd-parity bispectrum.*
 - Minor modification to existing estimation methods for even-parity bispectra
 - Odd parity bispectrum may arise in exotic parity violations, but, also an interesting null test for usual bispectrum analysis.

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Statistical
isotropy

$$\Delta_\ell(k, \tau_{rec}) \xrightarrow{\text{Free stream}} \Delta_\ell(k, \tau_0)$$

$$= \sum_{\ell'l} [\dots] j_l(k\Delta\tau) \left[C_{\ell 0 \ell' 0}^{l 0} \right]^2 \Delta_{\ell'}(k, \tau_{rec})$$

General:
Non-
Statistical
isotropy

$$\Delta_{\ell_3 \ell_4}^{LM}(k, \tau_{rec}) \xrightarrow{\text{Free stream}} \Delta_{\ell_1 \ell_2}^{LM}(k, \tau_0)$$

$$= \sum_{\ell \ell_3 \ell_4} [\dots] j_l(k\Delta\tau) C_{\ell 0 \ell_1 0}^{L 0} C_{\ell 0 \ell_1 0}^{L 0} \begin{Bmatrix} \ell_4 & L & \ell_3 \\ \ell_1 & l & \ell_2 \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\times \Delta_{\ell_3 \ell_4}^{LM}(k, \tau_{rec})$$

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Non-Statistical isotropic terms also free-stream to large multipole values

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ccc} \ell_4 & L & \ell_3 \\ \ell_1 + s & l + s & \ell_2 + s \end{array} \right\} \xrightarrow{\text{Large } s} \approx [\dots] C_{\ell_4}^{\ell_3} \begin{matrix} (\ell_1 - l) \\ (\ell_2 - l) \\ L (\ell_1 - \ell_2) \end{matrix}$$

$$\Delta_{\ell_1 \ell_2}^{LM}(k, \tau_0) \xrightarrow{l \gg \ell_1 - l, \ell_2 - l, L} \sum_l [\dots] j_l(k \Delta \tau) \Delta_{\ell_1 - l, \ell_2 - l}^{LM}(k, \tau_{rec})$$