

Problem Set 5:

Due October 21st at 11:59pm

1) Based on the χ^2 value, are the parameters dialed into my test script an acceptable fit? What do you get for χ^2 for parameters equal to [69, 0.022, 0.12, 0.06, 2.1e-9, 0.95], which are closer to their currently-accepted values? (I get a value around 3270, please give a precise one.) Would you consider these values an acceptable fit? Note - the mean and variance of χ^2 are n and $2n$, respectively, where n is the number of degrees of freedom.

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In [1]: import numpy as np
import camb
from matplotlib import pyplot as plt

def get_spectrum(pars,lmax=3000):
    H0=pars[0]
    ombh2=pars[1]
    omch2=pars[2]
    tau=pars[3]
    As=pars[4]
    ns=pars[5]
    pars=camb.CAMBparams()
    pars.set_cosmology(H0=H0,ombh2=ombh2,omch2=omch2,mnu=0.06,omk=0,tau=tau)
    pars.InitPower.set_params(As=As,ns=ns,r=0)
    pars.set_for_lmax(lmax,lens_potential_accuracy=0)
    results=camb.get_results(pars)
    powers=results.get_cmb_power_spectra(pars,CMB_unit='muK')
    cmb=powers['total']
    tt=cmb[:,0]
    return tt[2:]

pars1=np.asarray([60,0.02,0.1,0.05,2.00e-9,1.0])
planck=np.loadtxt('mcmc/COM_PowerSpect_CMB-TT-full_R3.01.txt',skiprows=1)
ell=planck[:,0]
spec=planck[:,1]
errs=0.5*(planck[:,2]+planck[:,3]);
model1=get_spectrum(pars1)
model1=model1[:len(spec)]
resid1=spec-model1
chisq1=np.sum( (resid1/errs)**2)

pars2=np.asarray([69, 0.022, 0.12,0.06, 2.1e-9, 0.95])
model2=get_spectrum(pars2)
model2=model2[:len(spec)]
resid2=spec-model2
chisq2=np.sum( (resid2/errs)**2)

print("Chisquare is {} with {} degress of freedom with parameters:\n H0={}, ombh2=
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Chisquare is 15267.937150261658 with 2501 degress of freedom with parameters:
H0=60.0, ombh2=0.02, omch2=0.1, tau=0.05, As=2e-09, ns=1.0
Chisquare is 3272.2053559202186 with 2501 degress of freedom with parameters:
H0=69.0, ombh2=0.022, omch2=0.12, tau=0.06, As=2.1e-09, ns=0.95

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Are the parameters an acceptable fit?

For parameters $H_0 = 60$, $\Omega_b h^2 = 0.02$, $\Omega_c h^2 = 0.1$, $\tau = 0.05$, $A_s = 2 \cdot 10^{-9}$, $n_s = 1.0$:

With these given parameters, we obtain a χ^2 value of around 15,268 with 2501 degrees of freedom, indicating that our fit is not even close to being accurate to the data since χ^2 is 6 times the number of degrees of freedom.

For parameters $H_0 = 69$, $\Omega_b h^2 = 0.022$, $\Omega_c h^2 = 0.12$, $\tau = 0.06$, $A_s = 2.1 \cdot 10^{-9}$, $n_s = 0.95$:

With these given parameters, we obtain a χ^2 value of 3,272.2053559202186 with 2501 degrees of freedom, indicating that our fit is much better than the previous fit, but still far from being an accurate representation of the data since our χ^2 still gives a miniature acceptance value.

2) Use Newton's method or Levenberg-Marquardt to find the best-fit parameters, using numerical derivatives. Your code should report your best-fit parameters and their errors in `planck_fit_params.txt`. Please write your own fitter/numerical-derivative-taker rather than stealing one. Note - you will want to keep track of the curvature matrix at the best-fit values for the next problem.

Bonus: The CMB is some of the best evidence we have for dark matter. What are the best-fit parameters with the dark-matter density set to zero? How does this χ^2 compare to the standard value? Note - getting this to converge can be tricky, so you might want to slowly step down the dark matter density to avoid crashes. If you get this to work, print the parameters/errors in `planck_fit_params_nodm.txt`

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In [51]: import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
from tqdm.notebook import tqdm

#same code as in problem set 4
def partial_deriv_CAMB(x, params):
    dx = np.diag(1e-16**(1/3)*params)
    A = np.empty([len(x), len(params)])
    for i in range(len(params)):
        A[:,i] = (get_spectrum(params+dx[i])[:len(spec)]-get_spectrum(params)[:len(spec)])
    return A

def CMB(params, x):
    y = get_spectrum(params)[:len(spec)]
    A = partial_deriv_CAMB(x, params)
    return y, A

def chi(params, x, y, errs):
    fit = get_spectrum(params)[:len(spec)]
    resid = y-fit
    chsq = np.sum((resid/errs)**2)
    return chsq

#param guess
guess = np.array([69, 0.022, 0.12, 0.06, 2.1e-9, 0.95])

noise = np.diag(errs**2)
ninv = np.linalg.inv(noise)
runs = 10
chsq = np.empty(runs)

#newton fit
for i in tqdm(range(runs)):
    pred, A = CMB(guess, ell)
    resid = spec-pred
    chsq[i] = np.sum((resid/errs)**2)
    LHS = A.T@ninv@A
    RHS = A.T@ninv@resid
    dg = np.linalg.inv(LHS)@RHS
    guess += dg

Newt_fit, A = CMB(guess, ell)

cov = np.linalg.inv(LHS)
Nerrs = np.sqrt(np.diag(cov))

planck_binned=np.loadtxt('mcmc/COM_PowerSpect_CMB-TT-binned_R3.01.txt',skiprows=1)
errs_binned=0.5*(planck_binned[:,2]+planck_binned[:,3]);

print('Best Fit parameters and errors from Newton Fit:\nH0={}\pm{}\nombh2={}\pm{}\non

plt.figure(figsize=(8,6))
plt.plot(ell,Newt_fit)
plt.errorbar(planck_binned[:,0],planck_binned[:,1],errs_binned,fmt='.')
plt.show()

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print()
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Best Fit parameters and errors from Newton Fit:

$H_0 = 68.2 \pm 1.18$

$\Omega_b h^2 = 0.0224 \pm 0.00023$

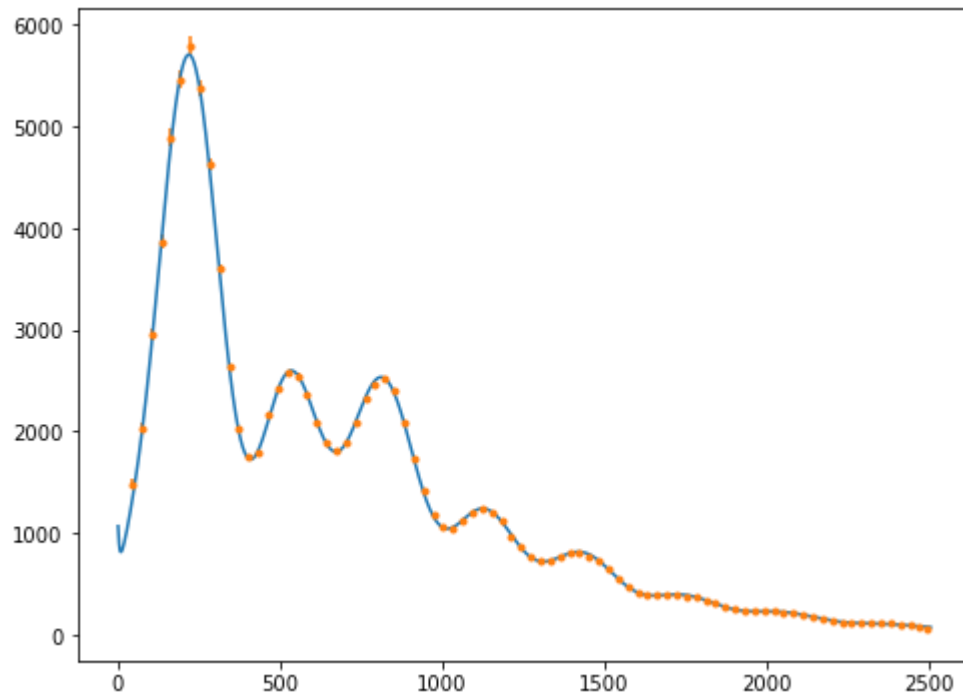
$\Omega_c h^2 = 0.118 \pm 0.0026$

$\tau = 0.085 \pm 0.034$

$A_s = 2.2 \times 10^{-9} \pm 1.4 \times 10^{-10}$

$n_s = 0.973 \pm 0.0065$

With a chisquare value of 2576.15



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In [52]: params = np.empty((len(guess),2))

for i in range(len(params)):
    params[i,0] = guess[i]
    params[i,1] = Nerrs[i]

np.savetxt('mcmc/planck_fit_params.txt', params)
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3) Estimate the parameter values and uncertainties using an MCMC sampler you write yourself. I strongly suggest you draw your trial steps from the curvature matrix you generated in Problem 2. Save your chain (including the χ^2 value for each sample in the first column) in `planck_chain.txt`. Explain why you think your chains are converged (if you indeed think they have converged). What is your estimate on the mean value of the dark energy Ω_Λ and its uncertainty? Note that we have (for good reasons) assumed the universe is spatially flat, so $\Omega_b + \Omega_c + \Omega_\Lambda = 1$. Make sure to remember that your chain is reporting $\Omega_b h^2$ and $\Omega_c h^2$.

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In [4]: #ran on a seperate computer
nstep = 20000 #number of steps
guess = np.array([69, 0.022, 0.12, 0.06, 2.1e-9, 0.95])

def MCMC(params, x, y, errs, covmat, nstep):
    chain = np.zeros([nstep, len(params)+1]) #initializing the chain
    chsq = chi(params, x, y, errs) #initial chisquare
    chain[0,:] = np.append(chsq, params)
    for i in tqdm(range(1, nstep)):
        new_params = chain[i-1, 1:] + np.random.multivariate_normal(np.zeros(len(params)), covmat)
        #initial step in direction based off
        #the covariance matrix
        new_chsq = chi(new_params, x, y, errs)
        #calculate chisquare at new position
        accept = np.exp(-0.5*(new_chsq-chain[i-1, 0])) #acceptance eq
        if accept > np.random.rand(1): #if the step diminishes chisquare,
            #take it. If it increases it by a bit,
            #take it sometimes
            chain[i,:] = np.append(new_chsq, new_params)
        else:
            chain[i,:] = chain[i-1,:]
    return chain

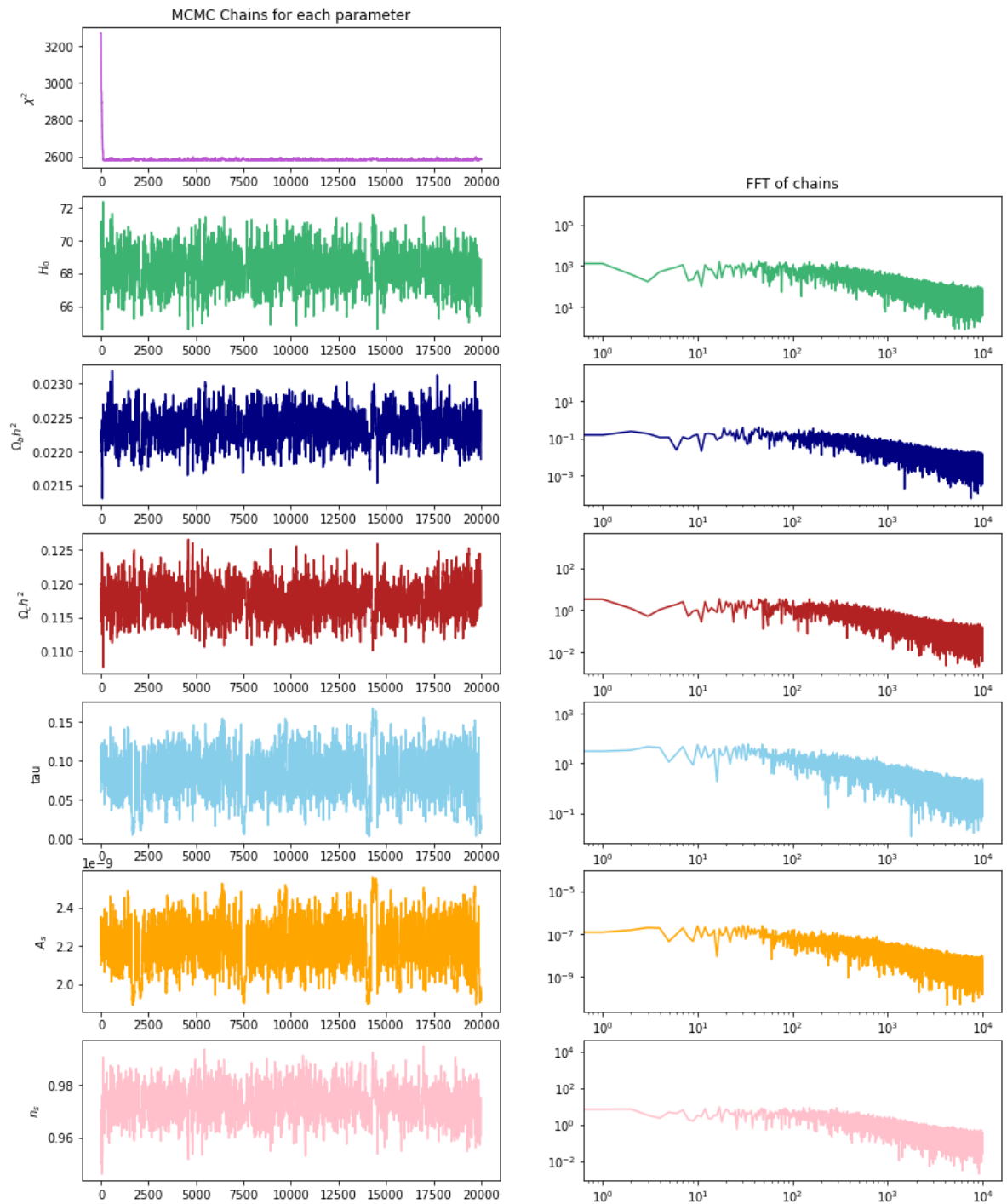
#chain = MCMC(guess, ell, spec, errs, cov, nstep)

#np.savetxt('mcmc/planck_chain.txt', chain)

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In [35]: param_names = ['$\chi^2$', '$H_0$', '$\Omega_{bh}^2$', '$\Omega_{ch}^2$', 'tau', '$A_0$']
colours = ['mediumorchid', 'mediumseagreen', 'navy', 'firebrick', 'skyblue', 'orange']
chain = np.loadtxt('mcmc/planck_chain.txt')

#plotting chains
plt.figure(figsize=(14,18))
plt.subplot(7,2,1)
plt.title('MCMC Chains for each parameter')
plt.subplot(7,2,4)
plt.title('FFT of chains')
for i in range(len(param_names)):
    plt.subplot(7,2,2*i+1)
    plt.plot(chain[:,i], color=colours[i])
    plt.ylabel(param_names[i])
    if i!=0:
        plt.subplot(7,2,2*i+2)
        plt.loglog(abs(np.fft.rfft(chain[:,i])), color=colours[i])
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As we can see by looking at both the chains for each parameter and the FFTs of said chains, we can determine that the chains have converged. By looking solely at the chains, we see that they appear to resemble white noise, indicating the convergence of the parameters. By looking at the FFTs, we can see that they all stay pretty flat (indicating white noise) until $\sim 10^2$ where they all begin to fall off (indicating correlated noise).


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In [19]: #comparing the error bars
mcmc_params = np.empty(len(guess))
mcmc_errs = np.empty(len(guess))
for i in range(len(guess)):
    mcmc_params[i] = np.mean(chain[200:,i+1])
    mcmc_errs[i] = np.std(chain[200:,i+1])

print('Best Fit parameters and errors from MCMC:\nH0={}\pm{}\nombh2={}\pm{}\nomch2={}\n\ntau={}\n\nAs={}\n\nns={}\n\nWith a chisquare value of 2577.5')

plt.figure(figsize=(8,6))
plt.plot(ell, get_spectrum(mcmc_params)[:len(spec)])
plt.errorbar(planck_binned[:,0],planck_binned[:,1],errs_binned,fmt='.')
plt.show()
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Best Fit parameters and errors from MCMC:

$H_0=68.3\pm 1.08$

$\text{ombh}^2=0.0224\pm 0.00022$

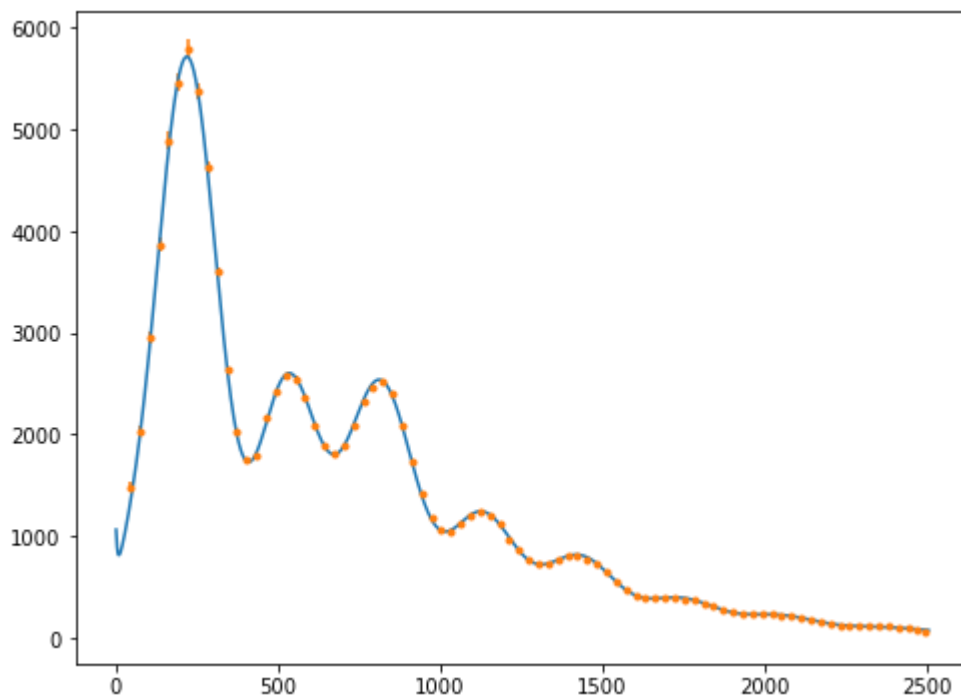
$\text{omch}^2=0.118\pm 0.0024$

$\tau=0.082\pm 0.03$

$A_s=2.2\text{e-}09\pm 1.3\text{e-}10$

$n_s=0.973\pm 0.0061$

With a chisquare value of 2577.5



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In [53]: #calculating each density and propagating the error
h2 = (mcmc_params[0]/100)**2
err_h2 = h2*(mcmc_errs[0]/mcmc_params[0])**2 #error propagation

#calculate omb and propagate error
omb = mcmc_params[1]/h2
err_omb = mcmc_params[1]/h2*np.sqrt((mcmc_errs[1]/mcmc_params[1])**2+(err_h2/h2)*

#calculate omc and propagate error
omc = mcmc_params[2]/h2
err_omc = mcmc_params[2]/h2*np.sqrt((mcmc_errs[2]/mcmc_params[2])**2+(err_h2/h2)*

#calculate oma using omb and omc and propagate error
oma = 1-omb-omc
err_oma = np.sqrt(err_omb**2+err_omc**2)

print('From the MCMC chain, we can estimate the mean value of dark energy to be {
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From the MCMC chain, we can estimate the mean value of dark energy to be 0.7 ± 0.01 .

4) Polarization data (we won't directly use the raw data here) give a much better constraint on reionization, with $\tau = 0.0540 \pm 0.0074$. Run a new chain where you include this constraint (saved to `planck_chain_tauprior.txt`), and compare those results to what you get from importance sampling your chain from Problem 3. I would encourage you to re-estimate the parameter covariance matrix (possibly via importance sampling) before running the new chain.

Bonus 2: What are your 5σ -equivalent error bars for the parameters? Please estimate these using whatever MCMC tricks you need to use, and recall that none of the parameters can be negative. By 5σ , I mean the limits on parameters so that the integral of the probability outside that region is equivalent to the probability outside of 5σ for a Gaussian (e.g. 1σ errors would contain 68% of the probability, etc.).

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In [8]: def importance_sample(chain, t, t_err):
    diff = chain[:,3]-t #difference between tau value from mcmc
                        #and constrained value for tau at each step
    weights = np.exp(-0.5*diff**2/t_err**2) #Weighting the "importance"
                        #of each step based off its "distance" from the
                        #constrained value for tau

    n = chain.shape[1]
    tot = np.empty(n)
    totsq = np.empty(n)
    for i in range(n):
        tot[i] = np.sum(weights*chain[:,i])
        totsq[i] = np.sum(weights*chain[:,i]**2)
    params = tot/np.sum(weights)
    meansq = totsq/np.sum(weights)
    err = np.sqrt(meansq-params**2)
    return params, err, weights
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In [16]: ISparams, ISerrs, weights = importance_sample(chain[:,1:], 0.054, 0.0074)

print('Best Fit parameters and errors from Importance Sampling:\nH0={}\pm{}\nombh2=

plt.figure(figsize=(8,6))
plt.plot(ell, get_spectrum(ISparams)[:len(spec)])
plt.errorbar(planck_binned[:,0],planck_binned[:,1],errs_binned,fmt='.')
plt.show()
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Best Fit parameters and errors from Importance Sampling:

$H_0=67.8\pm0.94$

$\text{ombh}^2=0.0223\pm0.00021$

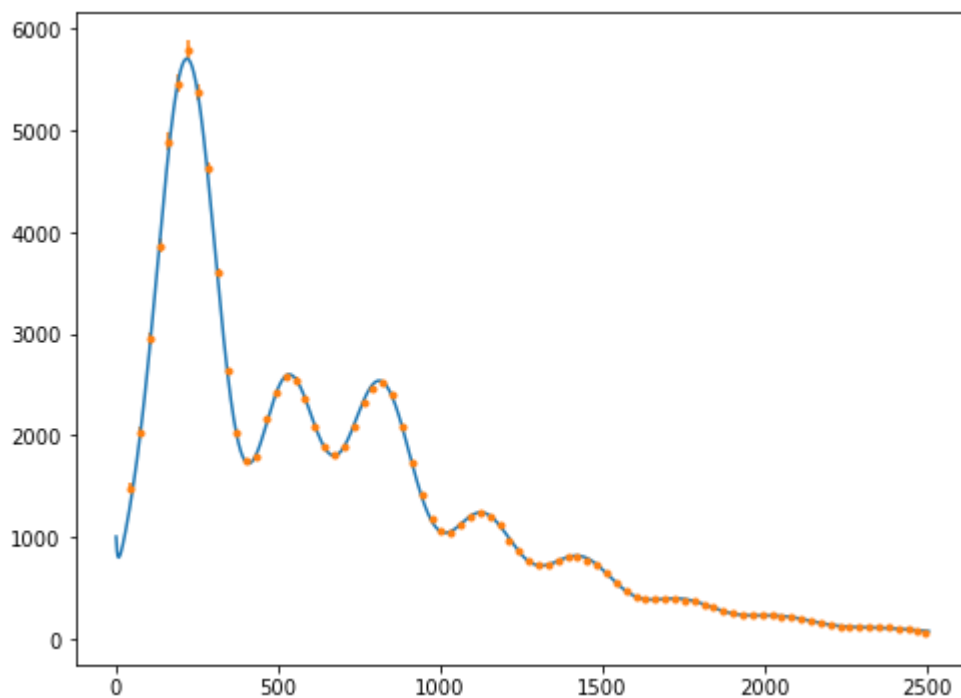
$\text{omch}^2=0.119\pm0.0021$

$\tau=0.055\pm0.007$

$A_s=2.1\text{e-}09\pm3\text{e-}11$

$n_s=0.971\pm0.0053$

With a chisquare value of 2577.1



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In [54]: g=ISparams
g[3]=0.0540

newcov = np.cov(chain[:,1:].T, aweights = weights) #new covariance is based off of
#initial chain, but weighted by the constraint on tau

#same as MCMC except for acceptance equation
def MCMC2(params, x, y, errs, covmat, nstep, t, t_err):
    chain = np.zeros([nstep,len(params)+1])
    chsq = chi(params, x, y, errs)
    chain[0,:] = np.append(chsq,params)
    for i in tqdm(range(1,nstep)):
        new_params = chain[i-1,1:]+np.random.multivariate_normal(np.zeros(len(par
        new_chsq = chi(new_params, x, y, errs)
        accept = np.exp(-0.5*(new_chsq-chain[i-1,0]+(new_params[3]-t)**2/t_err**2
        #we need to weight our chisquare value based on the
        #calculated parameter for tau so that we maintain
        #the constraint on tau. We use the same weighting
        #equation as in our importance sampler

        if accept>np.random.rand(1):
            chain[i,:] = np.append(new_chsq, new_params)
        else:
            chain[i,:] = chain[i-1,:]
    return chain

nstep = 10000

chain2 = MCMC2(g, ell, spec, errs, newcov, nstep, 0.0540, 0.0074)

np.savetxt('mcmc/planck_chain_tauprior.txt', chain2)

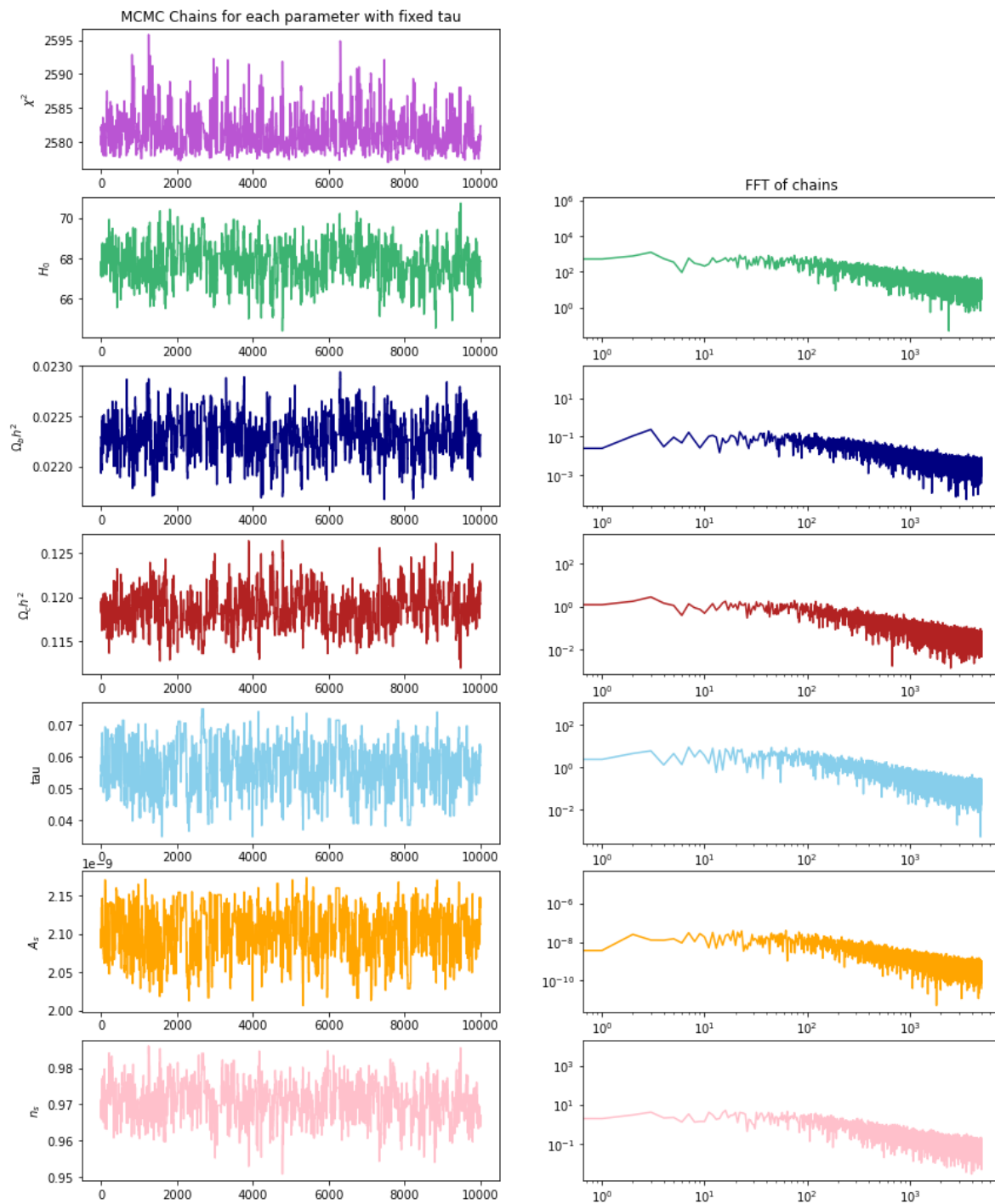
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In [55]: chain2 = np.loadtxt('mcmc/planck_chain_tauprior.txt')

#plotting chains
plt.figure(figsize=(14,18))
plt.subplot(7,2,1)
plt.title('MCMC Chains for each parameter with fixed tau')
plt.subplot(7,2,4)
plt.title('FFT of chains')
for i in range(len(param_names)):
    plt.subplot(7,2,2*i+1)
    plt.plot(chain2[:,i], color=colours[i])
    plt.ylabel(param_names[i])
    if i!=0:
        plt.subplot(7,2,2*i+2)
        plt.loglog(abs(np.fft.rfft(chain2[:,i])), color=colours[i])
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In [56]: mcmc2_params = np.empty(len(guess))
mcmc2_errs = np.empty(len(guess))
for i in range(len(guess)):
    mcmc2_params[i] = np.mean(chain2[200:,i+1])
    mcmc2_errs[i] = np.std(chain2[200:,i+1])

print('Best Fit parameters and errors from MCMC with fixed tau:\nH0={}\pm{}\nombh2=

plt.figure(figsize=(8,6))
plt.plot(ell, get_spectrum(mcmc_params)[:len(spec)])
plt.errorbar(planck_binned[:,0],planck_binned[:,1],errs_binned,fmt='.')
plt.show()

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Best Fit parameters and errors from MCMC with fixed tau:

$H_0=67.8\pm0.92$

$\text{ombh}^2=0.0223\pm0.00019$

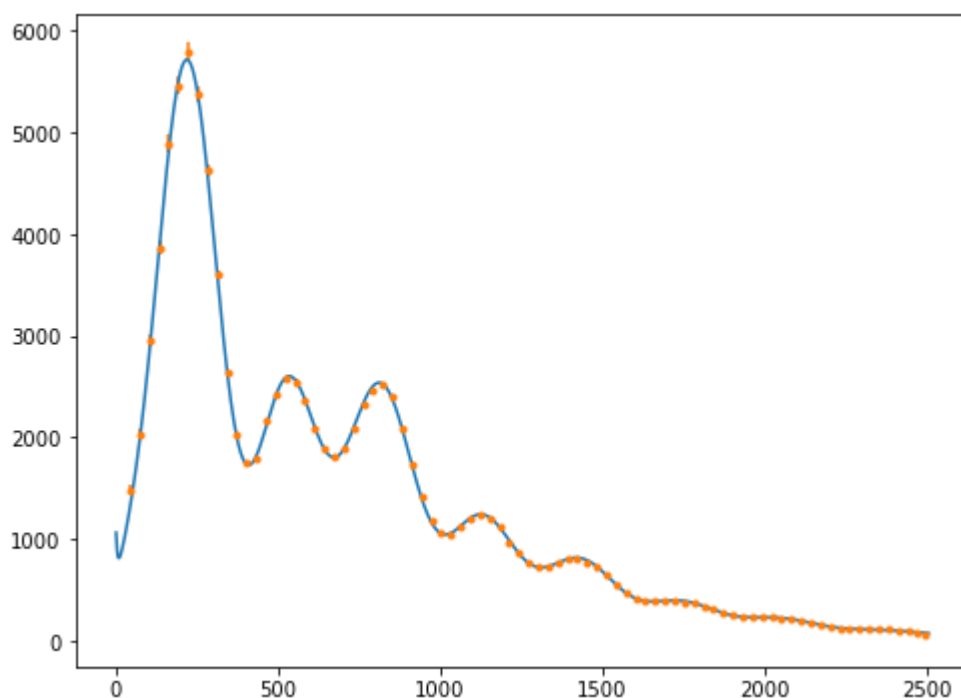
$\text{omch}^2=0.119\pm0.0021$

$\tau=0.057\pm0.008$

$A_s=2.1\text{e-}09\pm3\text{e-}11$

$n_s=0.971\pm0.005$

With a chisquare value of 2576.98



For our new chain, the only things we want to change are setting the tau value of the initial guess to 0.054, using a new covariance matrix for our step size, and modifying the acceptance equation (the likelihood). To generate this new covariance matrix, I used np.cov using the chain we generated earlier and the weights we determined from the importance sampling. To modify the likelihood, we simply needed to multiply the acceptance equation $e^{-\frac{1}{2}\delta\chi^2}$ by our weighting function $e^{-\frac{1}{2}\frac{\delta\tau^2}{\sigma_\tau^2}}$.

By doing this, I was able to find parameters with a slightly better χ^2 than our first chain, but still not better than our importance sampling. Had the step size been even longer, most likely the 2nd chain would eventually reach the same results as the importance sampling. This goes to show how useful importance sampling is, as we were able to obtain a better value for χ^2 without needing to run a new chain.