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## I. NOTES ON CURVED-SKY QE RESPONSES ETC.

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Lensing and others quadratic estimators used in [?] are all built multiplying in position space spin transforms of spin-weighted fields. We may write all of these in the form

$$s_{o+t_o}\hat{d}(\boldsymbol{n}) \equiv \left(\sum_{\ell m} w_{\ell}^{s_i} s_i \bar{X}_{\ell m} s_o Y_{\ell m}(\boldsymbol{n})\right) \left(\sum_{\ell m} w_{\ell}^{t_i} t_i \bar{X}_{\ell m} t_o Y_{\ell m}(\boldsymbol{n})\right)$$
(1.1)

where  $s_i, t_i$  are input spins,  $w_\ell^{s_i}, w_\ell^{t_i}$  associated weights, and  $s_o, t_o$  outputs spins. The maps  $_s\bar{X}_{lm}$  are the inverse variance filtered CMB maps,

$$_{0}\bar{X}_{\ell m} = -\bar{T}_{\ell m}, \quad {}_{\pm 2}\bar{X}_{\ell m} = -\left(\bar{E}_{\ell m} \pm i\bar{B}_{\ell m}\right).$$
 (1.2)

For purely analytical calculations, the filtering operation itself can be approximated as isotropic. For independently filtered temperature and polarization, the filtered  $\bar{T}, \bar{E}, \bar{B}$  are directly proportional to T, E and B respectively. We keep the discussion focussed on generic fields  $\bar{X}$  of arbitrary spins in the following. The gradient (G) and curl (C) modes of definite parity are defined through

$$G_{LM}^{s} = -\frac{1}{2} \left( {}_{|s|} d_{LM} + (-1)^{s} {}_{-|s|} d_{LM} \right)$$

$$C_{LM}^{s} = -\frac{1}{2i} \left( {}_{|s|} d_{LM} - (-1)^{s} {}_{-|s|} d_{LM} \right).$$

# A. Semi-analytical QE $N_L^{(0)}$ calculation

Q.E. noise (co)-variance can be evaluated very easily as was first demonstrated by Ref. []. For two generic estimators as defined in Eq. (1.1), we can jointly obtain their G and C co-variances with 4 one-dimensional integrals as we now describe.

Let  $s = (s_i, t_i, w^{s_i})$  collectively describes the in and out spins and weight function, and similarly for t, u and v. Let the response function  $\mathcal{R}_L^{st,uv}$  be defined as

$$(-1)^{t_o+v_o} \mathcal{R}_L^{st,uv} \equiv 2\pi \int_{-1}^1 d\mu \, \xi^{st}(\mu) \, \xi^{uv}(\mu) \, d_{-t_o-v_o,s_o+u_o}^L(\mu)$$
(1.3)

where  $\xi$  are position-space correlation functions

$$\xi^{st}(\mu) \equiv \sum_{\ell} \left( \frac{2\ell+1}{4\pi} \right) w_{\ell}^{s_{i}} w_{\ell}^{t_{i}} \bar{C}_{\ell}^{s_{i}t_{i}} d_{-t_{o},s_{o}}^{\ell}(\mu) \text{ with } \bar{C}_{\ell}^{s_{i}t_{i}} \equiv \left\langle s_{i} \bar{X}_{\ell m \ t_{i}} \bar{X}_{\ell m}^{*} \right\rangle$$

$$(1.4)$$

and  $d_{mm'}^{\ell}$  are Wigner small d-matrices. Then

$$\left\langle G_{LM}^{s_{\mathrm{o}}+t_{\mathrm{o}}}G_{LM}^{*,u_{\mathrm{o}}+v_{\mathrm{o}}}\right\rangle =\frac{1}{4}\left[\left(\mathcal{R}_{L}^{su,tv}+R_{L}^{sv,tu}\right)\left(1+(-1)^{s_{\mathrm{i}}+t_{\mathrm{i}}+u_{\mathrm{i}}+v_{\mathrm{i}}}\right)+(-1)^{s_{\mathrm{i}}+t_{\mathrm{i}}}\left(\mathcal{R}_{L}^{-su,tv}+\mathcal{R}_{L}^{-sv,tu}\right)\left(1+(-1)^{s_{\mathrm{i}}+t_{\mathrm{i}}+u_{\mathrm{i}}+v_{\mathrm{i}}}\right)\right]\right]$$

$$(1.5)$$

$$\left\langle C_{LM}^{s_{o}+t_{o}}C_{LM}^{*,u_{o}+v_{o}}\right\rangle = -\frac{1}{4}\left[\left(\mathcal{R}_{L}^{su,tv} + R_{L}^{sv,tu}\right)\left(1 + (-1)^{s_{i}+t_{i}+u_{i}+v_{i}}\right) - (-1)^{s_{i}+t_{i}}\left(\mathcal{R}_{L}^{-su,tv} + \mathcal{R}_{L}^{-sv,tu}\right)\left(1 + (-1)^{s_{i}+t_{i}+u_{i}+v_{i}}\right)\right]$$

$$(1.6)$$

$$\left\langle G_{LM}^{s_{\mathrm{o}}+t_{\mathrm{o}}}C_{LM}^{*,u_{\mathrm{o}}+v_{\mathrm{o}}}\right\rangle = \frac{1}{4i}\left[\left(\mathcal{R}_{L}^{su,tv} + R_{L}^{sv,tu}\right)\left(1 - (-1)^{s_{\mathrm{i}}+t_{\mathrm{i}}+u_{\mathrm{i}}+v_{\mathrm{i}}}\right) + (-1)^{s_{\mathrm{i}}+t_{\mathrm{i}}}\left(\mathcal{R}_{L}^{-su,tv} + \mathcal{R}_{L}^{-sv,tu}\right)\left(1 - (-1)^{s_{\mathrm{i}}+t_{\mathrm{i}}+u_{\mathrm{i}}+v_{\mathrm{i}}}\right)\right]$$
(1.7)

I dont understand the resulting sign and GC spectrum for (the irrelevant case of) odd total input spin. Should nt that always be 1? TTTT checked OK

a. Sketchy derivation to cleanup For this we need a result using the spin-weight spherical harmonic theorem. Define  $\mathcal{R}_L^{st,uv}$  through

$$\mathcal{R}^{st,uv}(\boldsymbol{n},\boldsymbol{n}') \equiv (-1)^{t_{o}+v_{o}} \left( \sum_{\ell m} g_{\ell}^{s_{i}} g_{\ell}^{t_{i}} C_{\ell}^{s_{i}t_{i}} {}_{s_{o}} Y_{\ell m}(\boldsymbol{n}) {}_{-t_{o}} Y_{\ell m}^{*}(\boldsymbol{n}') \right) \left( \sum_{\ell m} g_{\ell}^{u_{i}} g_{\ell}^{v_{i}} C_{\ell}^{u_{i}v_{i}} {}_{u_{o}} Y_{\ell m}(\boldsymbol{n}) {}_{-v_{o}} Y_{\ell m}^{*}(\boldsymbol{n}') \right) \\
\equiv (-1)^{t_{o}+v_{o}} \sum_{LM} \mathcal{R}_{L}^{stuv} {}_{s_{o}+u_{o}} Y_{LM}(\boldsymbol{n}) {}_{-u_{o}-v_{o}} Y_{LM}^{*}(\boldsymbol{n}') \tag{1.8}$$

Then we can write

$$\left\langle s_{\text{o}} + t_{\text{o}} \hat{d}(\boldsymbol{n}) u_{\text{o}} + v_{\text{o}} \hat{d}(\boldsymbol{n}') \right\rangle = \mathcal{R}^{su,tv}(\boldsymbol{n}, \boldsymbol{n}') + \mathcal{R}^{sv,tu}(\boldsymbol{n}, \boldsymbol{n}')$$
(1.9)

Taking the harmonic transform, we get

$$\left\langle s_{\text{o}} + t_{\text{o}} \hat{d}_{LM} u_{\text{o}} + v_{\text{o}} \hat{d}_{L'M'} \right\rangle = (-1)^{M} \delta_{M,-M'} \delta_{L,L'} \left( \mathcal{R}_{L}^{su,tv} + \mathcal{R}_{L}^{sv,tu} \right) \tag{1.10}$$

In general we have

$$G_{LM}^{s} = -\frac{1}{2} \left( {}_{s} d_{LM} + (-1)^{s} {}_{-s} d_{LM} \right) \quad (s \ge 0)$$

$$C_{LM}^{s} = -\frac{1}{2i} \left( {}_{s} d_{LM} - (-1)^{s} {}_{-s} d_{LM} \right) \quad (s \ge 0).$$

The estimator for  $_{-s_o-t_o}\hat{d}$  is the same as  $_{s_o+t_o}\hat{d}$  with all spin signs flipped, and with an overall sign  $(-1)^{s_o+s_i+t_o+t_i}$ . The out-spins part gets canceled by the sign  $(-1)^s$  in the above equation. Hence,

$$(-1)^{M} \delta_{M,-M'} \delta_{L,L'} \left\langle G_{LM}^{s_{\mathrm{o}}+t_{\mathrm{o}}} G_{L'M'}^{u_{\mathrm{o}}+v_{\mathrm{o}}} \right\rangle \cdot 4 = \mathcal{R}_{L}^{su,tv} + \mathcal{R}_{L}^{sv,tu} + (-1)^{s_{\mathrm{i}}+t_{\mathrm{i}}} \left( \mathcal{R}_{L}^{-su,-tv} + \mathcal{R}_{L}^{-sv,-tu} \right) \\ + (-1)^{u_{\mathrm{i}}+v_{\mathrm{i}}} \left( \mathcal{R}_{L}^{s-u,t-v} + \mathcal{R}_{L}^{s-v,t-u} \right) + (-1)^{s_{\mathrm{i}}+t_{\mathrm{i}}+u_{\mathrm{i}}+v_{\mathrm{i}}} \left( \mathcal{R}_{L}^{-s-u,-t-v} + \mathcal{R}_{L}^{-s-v,-t-u} \right) \quad (s_{\mathrm{o}}+t_{\mathrm{o}} >= 0, u_{\mathrm{o}}+v_{\mathrm{o}} >= 0)$$

$$(1.11)$$

Since  $\mathcal{R}$  is invariant under the simultaneous sign-flip of all spins, we can also write this as:

$$\left\langle G_{LM}^{s_{o}+t_{o}}G_{LM}^{*,u_{o}+v_{o}}\right\rangle =\frac{1}{4}\left[\left(\mathcal{R}_{L}^{su,tv}+R_{L}^{sv,tu}\right)\left(1+(-1)^{s_{i}+t_{i}+u_{i}+v_{i}}\right)+(-1)^{s_{i}+t_{i}}\left(\mathcal{R}_{L}^{-su,tv}+\mathcal{R}_{L}^{-sv,tu}\right)\left(1+(-1)^{s_{i}+t_{i}+u_{i}+v_{i}}\right)\right]$$

$$(1.12)$$

$$\left\langle C_{LM}^{s_{o}+t_{o}}C_{LM}^{*,u_{o}+v_{o}}\right\rangle = -\frac{1}{4}\left[\left(\mathcal{R}_{L}^{su,tv} + R_{L}^{sv,tu}\right)\left(1 + (-1)^{s_{i}+t_{i}+u_{i}+v_{i}}\right) - (-1)^{s_{i}+t_{i}}\left(\mathcal{R}_{L}^{-su,tv} + \mathcal{R}_{L}^{-sv,tu}\right)\left(1 + (-1)^{s_{i}+t_{i}+u_{i}+v_{i}}\right)\right]$$
(1.13)

$$\left\langle G_{LM}^{s_{\mathrm{o}}+t_{\mathrm{o}}}C_{LM}^{*,u_{\mathrm{o}}+v_{\mathrm{o}}}\right\rangle = \frac{1}{4i}\left[\left(\mathcal{R}_{L}^{su,tv}+R_{L}^{sv,tu}\right)\left(1-(-1)^{s_{\mathrm{i}}+t_{\mathrm{i}}+u_{\mathrm{i}}+v_{\mathrm{i}}}\right)+(-1)^{s_{\mathrm{i}}+t_{\mathrm{i}}}\left(\mathcal{R}_{L}^{-su,tv}+\mathcal{R}_{L}^{-sv,tu}\right)\left(1-(-1)^{s_{\mathrm{i}}+t_{\mathrm{i}}+u_{\mathrm{i}}+v_{\mathrm{i}}}\right)\right]$$

$$(1.14)$$

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### More details of $\mathcal{R}_L$

Recall the spin-weight addition theorem:

$$\sum_{m} {}_{s}Y_{\ell m}^{*}(\mathbf{n}') {}_{t}Y_{\ell m}(\mathbf{n}) = \sqrt{\frac{2\ell+1}{4\pi}} e^{-it\gamma} {}_{t}Y_{\ell,-s}(\beta,\alpha).$$
(1.15)

Hence

$$\mathcal{R}^{st,uv}(\boldsymbol{n},\boldsymbol{n}') = (-1)^{t_{\text{o}}+v_{\text{o}}} e^{-is_{\text{o}}\gamma - iu_{\text{o}}\gamma} \left( \sum_{\ell} \sqrt{\frac{2\ell+1}{4\pi}} g^{s_{\text{i}}} g^{t_{\text{i}}} C_{\ell}^{s_{\text{i}}t_{\text{i}}} {}_{s_{\text{o}}} Y_{\ell t_{\text{o}}}(\beta,\alpha) \right) \left( \sum_{\ell} \sqrt{\frac{2\ell+1}{4\pi}} g^{u_{\text{i}}} g^{v_{\text{i}}} C_{\ell}^{u_{\text{i}}v_{\text{i}}} {}_{u_{\text{o}}} Y_{\ell v_{\text{o}}}(\beta,\alpha) \right)$$

$$(1.16)$$

The product of the brackets is a spin  $s_0 + u_0$  function. Defining its spin weight coefficients as  $\mathcal{R}_L$  we get the relation claimed above. What are these coefficients?

$$\mathcal{R}_{L}^{st,uv} \equiv (-1)^{t_{o}+v_{o}} \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{2\ell+1}} \int d^{2}n \left( \sum_{\ell} \sqrt{\frac{2\ell+1}{4\pi}} g^{s_{i}} g^{t_{i}} C_{\ell}^{s_{i}t_{i}} {}_{s_{o}} Y_{\ell t_{o}}(\boldsymbol{n}) \right) \left( \sum_{\ell} \sqrt{\frac{2\ell+1}{4\pi}} g^{u_{i}} g^{v_{i}} C_{\ell}^{u_{i}v_{i}} {}_{u_{o}} Y_{\ell v_{o}}(\boldsymbol{n}) \right) {}_{s_{o}+u_{o}} Y_{L,t_{o}+v_{o}}^{*}(\boldsymbol{n})$$

$$(1.17)$$

Using

$$_{s}Y_{\ell m}(\theta,\phi) = \sqrt{\frac{2\ell+1}{4\pi}} (-1)^{m} e^{im\phi} d^{\ell}_{-ms}(\theta)$$
 (1.18)

The above thing is invariant if all signs are flipped at the same time. we get

$$(-1)^{t_{o}+v_{o}}\mathcal{R}_{L}^{st,uv} \equiv 2\pi \int_{-1}^{1} d\mu \, \xi^{st}(\mu) \, \xi^{uv}(\mu) \, d_{-t_{o}-v_{o},s_{o}+u_{o}}^{L}(\mu), \text{ with } \xi^{st}(\mu) \equiv \sum_{\ell} \frac{2\ell+1}{4\pi} g_{\ell}^{s_{i}} g_{\ell}^{t_{i}} C_{\ell}^{s_{i}t_{i}} d_{-t_{o},s_{o}}^{\ell}(\mu)$$

$$(1.19)$$

### B. QE responses calculation