

# Research Summary

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## I. INTRODUCTION TO COSMIC MICROWAVE BACKGROUND(CMB)

Anisotropies in the cosmic mircrowave background(CMB) radiation have provided a weath of information about cosmological model that describes the contents and evolution of the universe[1]. We usually analyze multipoles of CMB temperature anisotropies( $T$ ) and polarization anisotropies( $E, B$ ). The information are encoded in the multipoles and power spectra which traces the behavior at 400 000 years of cosmic time, as well as from the signals imprinted at later times due to scattering from galaxy clusters, from the motion of electrons ionized, and from gravitationl lensing. FIG.1 shows the full sky temperature anisotropies from Planck experiment(Satillite-based). Ground-based experiments such as Advanced At-

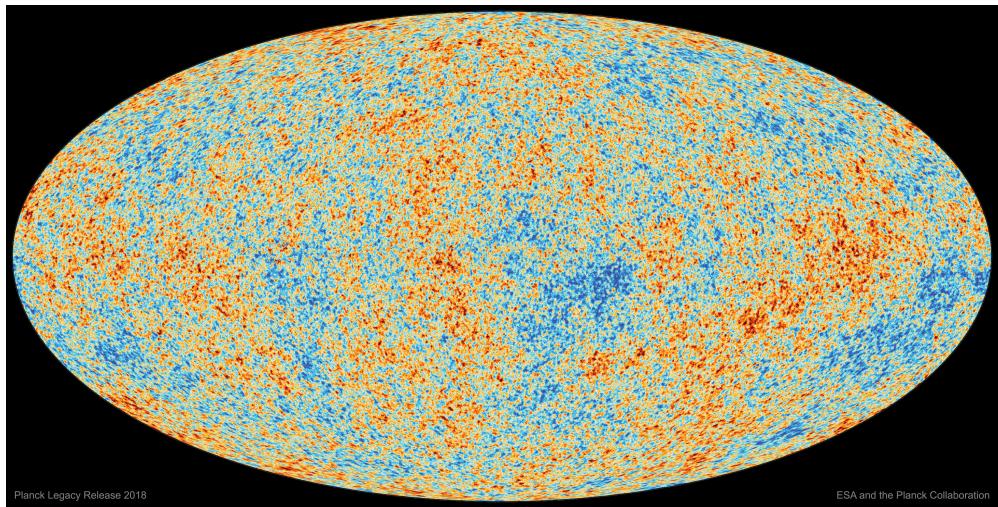


FIG. 1: The 2018 Planck map of the temeprature anisotropies of the CMB

acama Cosmology Telescope(AdvACT)[8] and upcoming Simons Observatory[10] can have much better resolution. I am now a member of the both collaborations.

## II. CMB LENSING RECONSTRUCTION ON THE CURVED SKY

Cosmic Microwave Background(CMB) photons are gravitationally lensed by the large scale mass distribution. This effect is called CMB lensing. CMB temperature anisotropies(T) and polarization anisotropies(E,B) are distorted by CMB lensing. We can use deflection field  $\mathbf{d}(\mathbf{x})$  or lensing potential  $\phi$  as  $\mathbf{d} = \nabla\phi$  to describe CMB lensing[2]. It is expected to amongst the most powerful cosmological tools for ongoing and upcoming CMB experiments which will help find out premordial gravitational waves, constrain cosmological parameters, constrain neutrino mass and understand the properties of dark energy. So it is important to reconstruct the CMB lensing according to the observed CMB temperature and polarization anisotropies.

There are two aspects where we can see CMB lensing effects: 1.CMB lensing modulates CMB temperature and polarization power spectra(2 point power spectrum). Statistical anisotropy is induced. 2.CMB lensing produces higher-order correlations between the multipole moments. Off-diagonal mode-coupling between map harmonics can be seen. The off-diagonal mode coupling is proportional to lensing potential.[3]

$$\langle a_l^m b_{l'}^{m'} \rangle = C_l^{ab} \delta_{ll'} \delta_{m-m'} (-1)^m \quad (1)$$

$$\left. \langle a_l^m b_{l'}^{m'} \rangle \right|_{\text{lens}} = C_l^{ab} \delta_{ll'} \delta_{m-m'} (-1)^m + \sum_{LM} (-1)^M \begin{pmatrix} l & l' & L \\ m & m' & -M \end{pmatrix} f_{lL'}^\alpha \phi_L^M \quad (2)$$

Eq(1) and Eq(2) are the covariance of unlensed and lensed CMB multipoles respectively.  $a_l^m$  and  $b_l^m$  are multipoles for T, E or B-mode multipoles.  $\phi_l^m$  is lensing potential multipole. As we can see, the multipole covariance gained an extra term which is proportional to lensing potential and Wigner-3j symbols.

For primordial gravitational waves, CMB lensing can be an important source of confusion[2]. Density perturbations in the linear regime generate only the so-called E-mode polarization[4]. Lensing converts E-mode polarization to B-mode polarization.[5]. Gravitational waves can also produce B-mode polarization[6]. Removing the lensing-generated B-mode is called delensing.

To obtain lensing potential, we can take quadratic combinations of CMB fields and construct quadratic estimators with minimum variance[6]. On small angular scales  $L > 10^2$ , we

are able to neglect the curvature of the sky and apply flat sky estimators[3]. Since lensing is most sensitive to the projected potential at  $L < 10^2$  or several degrees on the sky, we need consider the curvature of the sky. In this study, we apply estimators for lensing potential on the curved sky provided by Ref[7] as shown in Eq(3) and Eq(4):

$$d_L^{\alpha M} = \frac{A_L^\alpha}{\sqrt{L(L+1)}} \sum_{l_1 m_1} \sum_{l_2 m_2} (-1)^M \begin{pmatrix} l_1 & l_2 & L \\ m_1 & m_2 & -M \end{pmatrix} g_{l_1 l_2}^\alpha(L) a_{l_1}^{m_1} b_{l_2}^{m_2} \quad (3)$$

$$\langle d_L^{\alpha M} \rangle|_{\text{lens}} = \sqrt{L(L+1)} \phi_L^M \quad (4)$$

We reconstruct lensing potential and get noise properties for the full sky. This work is meant for improving the existing lensing reconstruction pipeline in Advanced Atacama Cosmology Telescope(AdvACT) and Simons Observatory(SO). This work now only works for the full sky using TT and EB estimators. And its performance is still limited by now as shown in FIG 2, expected to be improved.

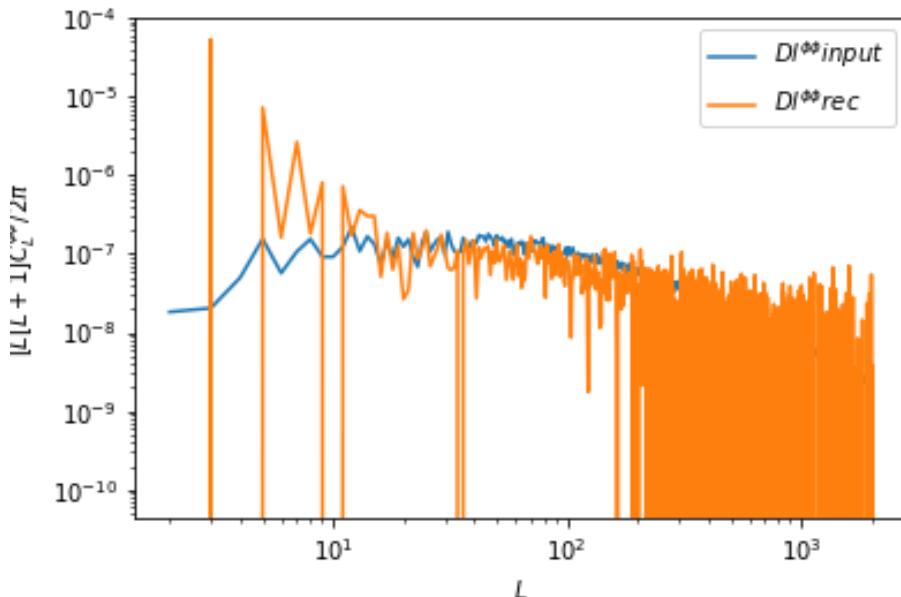


FIG. 2: Input Lensing Potential and Reconstructed Lensing Potential

Plus, I've learned lensing reconstruction techniques from this work. These techniques are applied in the work shown in the section 2 below.

### III. BIAS TO CMB LENSING RECONSTRUCTION FROM TEMPERATURE ANISOTROPIES DUE TO REIONIZATION kSZ

In this work, we are investigating a bias to CMB lensing reconstruction from temperature anisotropies due to the reionization kSZ effect(kinematic Sunyaev-Zel'dovich effect) based on simulation.

There are several ongoing and upcoming experiments, including Advanced Atacama Cosmology Telescope(AdvACT)[8], the South Pole Telescope-3G(SPT-3G)[9], the Simons Observatory[10], and CMB Stage-4(CMB-S4)[11]. For these experiments, the CMB lensing power spectrum will be measured with signal-to-noise( $S/N$ ) > 100. At this precision level, we are required to consider more about biases in CMB reconstruction. Most of the biases can be removed from primary CMB by a multifrequency component separation methods, but they don't work for kSZ effect, since kSZ effect preserves blackbody spectrum of the CMB.[12]

kSZ effect is the Doppler shift of CMB photons induced by Compton-scattering off moving electrons(bulk velocity).[13]. The kSZ signal has its own intrinsic non-Gaussianity and its correlation with CMB lensing field is non-zero.[14].

This kSZ effect produces a CMB temperature change,  $\Theta^{\text{kSZ}}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}) = \Delta T^{\text{kSZ}}(\hat{\mathbf{n}})/T_{\text{CMB}}$ ,

$$\Theta^{\text{kSZ}}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}) = -\sigma \int \frac{d\eta}{1+z} e^{-\tau} n_e(\hat{\mathbf{n}}, \eta) \mathbf{v}_e \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}} \quad (5)$$

[13], where  $\sigma$  is the Compton scattering cross-section,  $\tau$  is the optical depth to Compton scattering,  $n_e$  is the physical free number density,  $\mathbf{v}_e$  is the peculiar velocity of the electrons. kSZ anisotropies can be produced when large fluctuation in electron density appears. There are two epochs when they can be produced: 1.a “late-time” contribution from redshifts  $0 < z < 6$  in which inhomogeneities are large due to gravitational growth of structure 2.earlier during the epoch of reionization(from first stars,  $6 < z < 20$ ) when hydrogen gets ionized again by the ultraviolet radiation of the first structures and the fluctuations electron density are caused by the fluctuations in the ionization fraction.[13] [15]. It is expected to be correlated with lensing field.

Simone Ferraro and J. Colin Hill have investigated the case of “late time” kSZ in [13]. According to their results, the bias induced by “late time” kSZ to CMB lensing auto-power spectrum measurements can be as large as approximately %1, %6, and %8 for Plank, CMB-S3, and CMB-S4, respectively, when using  $l_{\text{max}} = 4000$ , and about half of that for  $l_{\text{max}} =$

3000. Thus, for CMB-S3 and CMB-S4 lensing measurements, the kSZ-induced bias cannot be neglected.

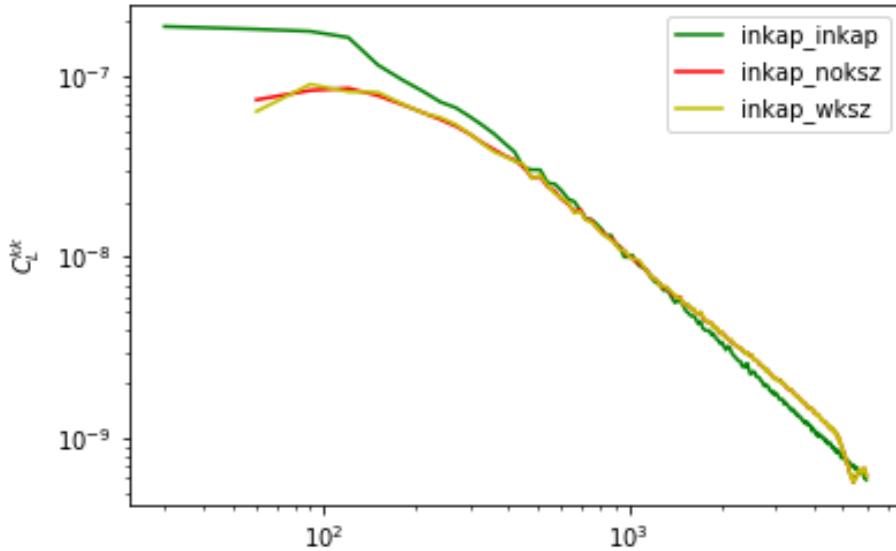


FIG. 3: Auto-correlation of input lensing convergence, cross-correlation of input lensing convergence and reconstructed lensing convergence with reionization kSZ, cross-correlation of input lensing convergence and reconstructed lensing convergence without reionization kSZ,

For the case of reionization kSZ, it could also contribute at some level. We are trying to estimate reionization-induced bias to CMB lensing reconstruction from temperature anisotropies. We use lensed temperature anisotropies simulation from Ref[16] and reionization kSZ simulation from Ref[15]. In this study, we apply flat-sky reconstruction pipeline to cutout patchy lensed temperature maps with reionization kSZ and without reionization kSZ. We compare their reconstruction lensing convergence powerspectra and see how much bias the reionization kSZ induces. Lensing convergence is defined as  $\kappa = -\frac{1}{2}\nabla \cdot \mathbf{d}$ . The FIG 3 shows the preliminary result. Since the cross-correlation of input lensing convergence and reconstructed lensing convergence without reionization kSZ don't overlap well as they should be in the plot, the lensing reconstruction process needs to be corrected. After the correction is done, the next step is to analyze the bias by comparing the cross-correlation. The plan is to see how much bias the reionization kSZ can bring to lensing reconstruction

with given different noise levels, beam sizes and  $l_{max}$  and if this bias needs to be considered for CMB-S3 and CMB-S4.

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