

# Cross Correlating 21 cm Intensity Mapping fields with Kinematic Sunyaev-Zel'dovich Effect: Probing Missing Baryons at $z \sim 1 - 2$

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The kinematic Sunyaev-Zel'dovich (kSZ) effect on cosmic microwave background (CMB), induced by radial momentum of hot electrons, is a powerful tracer to probe baryon distributions. However, the signal is weak and lack of redshift information, hence another survey with spectroscopic redshift is typically required. This largely limits the sky area and depth to harness kSZ. Here, we propose a new source for cross correlation—HI density field from 21 cm intensity mapping. 21 cm spectra provide accurate redshift and intensity mappings integrate weak diffuse spectra, and thus can survey large sky area with great depth in much shorter time with low costs.

One main concern of the method is that the complicate 21 cm foregrounds will contaminate radial large scale information, and reduce the correlation with kSZ. For redshift 1 and 2, we model the noise filtering in simulations, and find out that after velocity reconstructions, there is  $\gtrsim 0.7$  correlation with kSZ signal for  $\ell \gtrsim 800$ , and it drops for smaller  $\ell$ . To improve the correlation for smaller  $\ell$ , we recover large scale modes from their tidal influence on small scale structures (Cosmic Tidal Reconstruction). Successfully recover  $> 90\%$  information at  $k \sim 0.01 h/Mpc$ , we obtain a correlation  $r \sim 0.6 - 0.8$  for  $\ell \sim 100 - 2000$ . The overall S/N for  $\ell \sim 300 - 4000$  assuming Planck noise scale can reach 45 at  $z = 1$ , and 59 at  $z = 2$ . Since the reconstructed field and foreground filtered field are superior in different modes, it is easy to combine them and improve S/N for  $\ell \sim 1000$ .

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## I. INTRODUCTION

For  $z \lesssim 2$ , large fractions of predicted baryon contents are missing in observations. The majority of them are believed to reside in warm-hot intergalactic mediums (WHIM) with typical temperature of  $10^5$  K to  $10^7$  K [1, 2]. High temperature and low density in the medium make us difficult to derive information from metal absorption lines, and uncertainties in ionization states and metallicity will also reduce the reliability. We are looking for signals that not only trace the majority of the baryons, but also easy to interpret.

Among the proposed candidates, the kinematic Sunyaev-Zel'dovich (kSZ) effect [3–5] is a promising one. kSZ effect results from Compton scattering of cosmic microwave background (CMB) off free electrons. The radial velocity of electrons will give photon a Doppler shift and hence leads to a secondary anisotropy in CMB temperature.

kSZ signal is ideal to tackle this problem for three reasons. First, it contributes from all the free electrons, indicating the distribution of 90% of the baryons in ionized states, leaving alone only less than 10% of baryons that reside in stars, remnants, atomic and molecular gases [6]. Second, the signal is mainly influenced by electron density and radial velocity, regardless the temperature, pressure and metallicity, so no extra assumptions are needed to estimate baryon abundance. Third, the peculiar velocity is dominantly related to large scale structures, therefore the signal is less biased towards local mass

contraction.

Attractive as it is, two big drawbacks largely reduce the feasibility of harnessing kSZ signal. First, the signal is very weak and hence suffers seriously from contaminations from primary CMB, facility noises, thermal SZ effect, CMB lensing, etc. Second, it is an integrated effect along line of sight, therefore, kSZ itself does not contain redshift information.

A straight-forward mitigation of the two disadvantages is to cross-correlate kSZ signal with another tracer, which has both large scale structure and redshift information. Previous work has proposed optical spectroscopic survey as an ideal tool [7–9]. However, first, it lacks detectable spectral lines in redshift 1.4 – 2.5. Moreover we need large sky coverage to compensate for the weakness of kSZ signal, and the low efficiency of spectroscopic survey will make it inaccessible for near future. In this paper we discuss a new possibility for cross correlation—HI density field from 21 cm intensity mapping. HI 21 cm spectra have accurate redshift information, and are fully accessible for  $z \lesssim 2$ . Intensity mapping is a kind of survey that integrates signals in a pixel, rather than distinguishing individual galaxies. It is extremely efficient for large sky surveys, accumulating contributions from weak sources and hence reaching high S/N much faster. There are already several ongoing experiments aim at large sky coverage and claim to be able to reach  $z \gtrsim 2$  in very near future, such as CHIME [10], Tianlai [11], HIRAX [12] etc.

However, as feasibility is usually traded from data quality,

there are three main challenges for the upcoming H I surveys in terms of cross correlation with kSZ. First, the integration of different signals will cause complicated foregrounds, which would smear the large scale structure in radial direction [13, 14]. Second, the angular resolution is also suppressed by the integration, dropping information of small scale structure in transverse plane. Third, till now, the proposed experiments all work on interferometers, which drain the largest scale structure on transverse plane due to the finite length of the shortest baseline.

On the other hand, the most prominent kSZ signal that could be distinguished from noises contributes mainly from largest structure in radial direction with  $l < 100$  and  $l \sim 1000$ . These modes are seriously damaged in intensity mapping due to the three challenges.

In this paper, we discuss the level of correlation we will get between kSZ and 21cm intensity mappings of different conditions. To lower the requirements on observational experiments, we use a method, cosmic tidal reconstruction [15, 16], to recover some of the large scale structure from its tidal force on small scales.

The paper is organized as follows: In section II, we demonstrate given a density field, how to correlate it with kSZ signal with velocity reconstruction, similar to [8]; we then estimate which modes dominates the produced signal; In section III, we present the result of cross correlation with foreground filtered field, different resolutions, and different shortest baselines and discuss the behavior; Then in section IV, we introduce the method of 3D tidal reconstruction, and present the correlation results after small  $k$  modes recovered, In section VI, we estimate statistical error and calculate S/N; and we conclude at section VII.

Notes: Throughout the paper, We use the  $z = 1, 2$  output of six  $N$ -body simulations from the CUBEP<sup>3</sup>M code [17], each evolving  $1024^3$  particles in a  $(1.2\text{Gpc}/h)^3$  box. Simulation parameters are as follows: Hubble parameter  $h = 0.678$ , baryon density  $\Omega_b = 0.049$ , dark matter density  $\Omega_c = 0.259$ , amplitude of primordial curvature power spectrum  $A_s = 2.139 \times 10^{-9}$  at  $k_0 = 0.05 \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$  and scalar spectral index  $n_s = 0.968$ .

we use " $\wedge$ " to denote reconstructed fields as oppose to fields directly from simulations.

## II. ALGORITHM: KSZ CROSS CORRELATION

The CMB temperature fluctuations caused by kSZ effect is:

$$\Theta_{kSZ}(\hat{n}) \equiv \frac{\Delta T_{kSZ}}{T_{\text{CMB}}} = -\frac{1}{c} \int d\eta g(\eta) \mathbf{p}_{\parallel}, \quad (1)$$

where  $\eta(z)$  is the comoving distance at redshift  $z$ ,  $g(\eta) = e^{-\tau} d\tau/d\eta$  is the visibility function,  $\tau$  is the optical depth to Thomson scattering,  $\mathbf{p}_{\parallel} = (1 + \delta)\mathbf{v}_{\parallel}$ , with  $\delta$  the electron overdensity,  $\parallel$  indicates direction parallel to line of sight. We assume that  $g(\eta)$  doesn't change significantly in one redshift bin, and integrate  $\mathbf{p}_{\parallel}$  along radial axis to get  $\hat{\Theta}_{kSZ}$ .

Due to the cancellation of positive and negative velocity, its direct cross correlation between kSZ signal will vanish. To

take advantage of the known redshift and better maintain the one to one multiplication between velocity field and density contrast, we generate a mock kSZ signal from calculation of linear peculiar velocity. [8]. In this way, we can at most maximize the correlation.

Assume we have a density contrast field  $\delta = (\rho - \bar{\rho})/\bar{\rho}$ , where  $\bar{\rho}$  is the average density of a certain redshift slice.

Detailed steps are as follows.

(1) Estimate the velocity field:

In linear region, the continuity equation goes like:  $\dot{\delta} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$ , where  $\mathbf{v}$  is the peculiar velocity and  $\delta$  is the matter overdensity.

Therefore, we obtain an estimator of velocity distribution from the density contrast  $\delta$ :

$$\hat{v}_z(\mathbf{k}) = iaHf\delta(\mathbf{k})\frac{k_z}{k^2} \quad (2)$$

where  $f = d\ln D/d\ln a$ ,  $D(a)$  is the linear growth function,  $a$  is the scale factor,  $H$  is the Hubble parameter.

$v_z \propto k_z/k^2$ , indicating the most prominent signal comes from small  $k$  mode, which corresponds to large scale structure.

(2) Suppress the noise in velocity field with a Wiener filter. This is because the term  $k_z/k^2$  in Eq.(2) will strongly amplify noises in small  $k$  modes.

$$\hat{v}_z^c(\mathbf{k}) = \frac{\hat{v}_z(\mathbf{k})}{b(k_{\perp}, k_{\parallel})} W(k_{\perp}, k_{\parallel}), \quad (3)$$

Bias  $b = P_{\hat{v}_z, v_z}/P_{v_z}$ , Wiener filter  $W = P_{v_z}/(P_{\hat{v}_z}/b^2)$ .

(3) Calculate 2D kSZ map follow Eq.(1).

(4) Calculate correlation coefficients.

We compare reconstructed kSZ signals  $\hat{\Theta}_{kSZ}$  with kSZ signals  $\Theta_{kSZ}$  directly from simulations. To quantify the tightness of correlation, we employ a quantity  $r$ :

$$r \equiv \frac{P_{\text{recon}, \text{real}}}{\sqrt{P_{\text{recon}} P_{\text{real}}}} \quad (4)$$

## III. ANALYSIS: REQUIREMENTS FOR CROSS CORRELATION

Since actual sky surveys can only resolve structures of certain scales, it is essential to understand which scales contribute most to the kSZ signals. To fulfill the purpose, we write Eq.(1) in Fourier space and do a qualitative analysis.

The finite box size of 1200 Mpc will only have obvious influence on modes with  $k \lesssim 0.005$ , we can safely assume the integration on  $z$  direction to be from minus infinity to plus infinity. Moreover, the term  $a(z)H(z)f(z)$  in Eq.(2) does not vary much in one box, we assume it to be a constant for simplicity. Then the Fourier transformation is just the  $k_z = 0$  mode of the momentum  $\mathbf{p}_{\parallel}(\mathbf{k})$  in Fourier space.

$$\Theta(\mathbf{k}_{\perp}) \equiv \Theta(k_x, k_y, 0) \propto \int d^3k' \delta(\mathbf{k}_{\perp} - \mathbf{k}'_{\perp}, k'_{\parallel}) v_z(\mathbf{k}') \quad (5)$$

As we can see from Fig.?? and also implicit at Eq.(2), the velocity field contributes mostly from  $k < 0.03h/Mpc$ , therefore these modes are extremely important for reconstructing velocity field. Moreover, since powerspectrum of velocity field drops much faster than the density field on small scales. Making an extreme assumption for it to be a Delta Function, then it is immediately clear that  $\Theta(\mathbf{k}_\perp) \sim \delta(\mathbf{k}_\perp, 0)$ . Since  $k_\perp = \ell/\chi$ , different  $\ell$  of kSZ signal corresponds to the different structure scales of density field in transverse plane, and largest scale structure in  $z$  direction.

Moreover, if we look at the typical angular powerspectrum of CMB data, Fig.??, we would notice that currently there is only one window open for us to resolve kSZ signal from primary CMB and facility noises, which is  $\ell$  1000.

In all, ideally we expect large scale structure with  $k_z < 0.1h/Mpc$  and  $\ell < 0.05h/Mpc * \chi$  to reconstruct velocity information, and  $k_z < 0.1h/Mpc$  and  $\ell$  1000 density field to convolve with velocity field. Then we would obtain most of the cross correlation with kSZ signal.

#### IV. CONDITION: 21 CM INTENSITY MAPPING

As mentioned before, there are three main disadvantages for ongoing 21cm intensity mapping experiments: the relatively low resolution, the strong foreground noises and the spatial loss of interferometers. To discuss how they will influence the cross correlation kSZ, we reprocess the density contrasts obtained in simulation to assemble the loss.

1. For small scale noises:

The finite spacial and velocity resolution of facilities prevent us from resolving infinitely small structures in both parallel and perpendicular directions. Therefore we import a cut off scale  $k_{max}$  with a Heaviside Function  $H(k_{max} - k)$ , dropping all the modes with  $k$  larger than  $k_{max}$ . We choose a realistic  $k_{max}$  based on baselines of ongoing experiments [10–12, 18, 19], and an ideal  $k_{max}$  based on noise status of Planck Satellite.

2. For foreground noises:

Foregrounds coming from Galactic emissions, telescope noise, extragalactic radio sources and Radio recombination lines, could be three orders brighter than actual signals[13, 14]. The process of foreground removal, taking advantage of its low spectral degrees of freedom [20], will inevitably contaminates the smooth large scale structure in radial direction. To imitate the loss, a high pass filter  $W_{fs}(k_\parallel) = 1 - e^{-k_\parallel^2 R_\parallel^2/2}$  is applied to density contraction. We again test a realistic case [21, 22] with only half of the signal resolved at  $k_\parallel = 0.08$  Mpc/h and 0.15 Mpc/h for redshift 1 and 2 respectively. And a theoretical case [23] with half of the signal lost at  $k_\parallel = 0.02$  Mpc/h and 0.04 Mpc/h for redshift 1 and 2.

3. For spatial loss of inteferometers:

Large scale structure in perpendicular plane, due to the smoothness, will appear sharp in the visibility function of interferometers after Fourier Transformation. Unfortunately that sharp peak could not be resolved by interferometers due to the incomplete sampling caused by the finite length of the shortest baselines. Therefore, structures with angular sizes greater than a threshold of  $l_{min} = 300$  are assumed to be lost

	z=1		z=2	
$R_\parallel$ Mpc/h	15	60	8	32
$k_{max}$ h/Mpc	0.5	1	0.32	0.64
$l_{min}$	300			

TABLE I: Parameter of different noise filtering.

in our simulations. We do not assume different cases here, since most of the important modes dropped can be retrieved using cosmic tidal reconstruction.

In sum, the observed 21 cm density contrasts after all the loss will appear as

$$\delta_{nf}(\mathbf{k}) = \delta(\mathbf{k})H(k_{max} - k)W_{fs}(k_\parallel)H(l - l_{min}), \quad (6)$$

The detailed filtering parameters are presented in Table. I.

With the noise filtered density contrast  $\delta_{nf}$ , we follow the procedure described in section II to generate a mock kSZ signal  $\hat{\Theta}_{nf}$  and calculate cross correlation  $r_{\Theta\hat{\Theta}_{nf}}$ .

#### V. ALGORITHM: COSMIC TIDAL RECONSTRUCTION

With noise substracted 21 cm density field, we are able to have detectable cross correlations for  $\ell \gtrsim 800$ . However, we are also interested in large scale baryon distributions, which is free from the complicated activities happen in smaller scales. We use Cosmic Tidal Reconstruction to recover correlations for small  $\ell$  and improve correlations for intermediate  $\ell$ . This is one of the first application of its 3D version.

##### A. 3D Cosmic Tidal Reconstruction

The fundamental idea of Cosmic Tidal Reconstruction is that the evolution of small scale structure is modulated by large scale gravitational force. We can select this effect and solve for the large scale potential.

Main Procedure:

Consider only the anisotropic influence from tidal force, the distortions on power spectrum [16] can linearly be calculated as

$$\delta P(\mathbf{k}, \tau)|_{t_{ij}} = \hat{k}^i \hat{k}^j t_{ij}^{(0)} P_{1s}(k, \tau) f(k, \tau) \quad (7)$$

where  $f$  is the linear coupling function;  $P_{1s}(k, \tau)$  is the theoretical small scale linear powerspectrum; and  $\delta P(\mathbf{k}, \tau)$  is the real distortion from observations.

Hence we can solve for the unknown quantity  $t_{ij}$ , which is the tidal force tensor defined as

$$t_{ij} = \Phi_{L,ij} - \nabla^2 \Phi_L \delta_{ij}^D / 3 \quad (8)$$

$\Phi_{L,ij}$  is the second derivative of large scale potential,  $\delta^D$  is the Dirac function.

With  $t_{ij}$ , we calculate the variance of large scale potential  $\Phi_L$  and get the large scale density contrast  $\kappa_{3D}$ .

$$\kappa_{3D} \sim \nabla^2 \Phi_L = \frac{3}{2} \nabla^{-2} \partial_i \partial_j t_{ij} \quad (9)$$

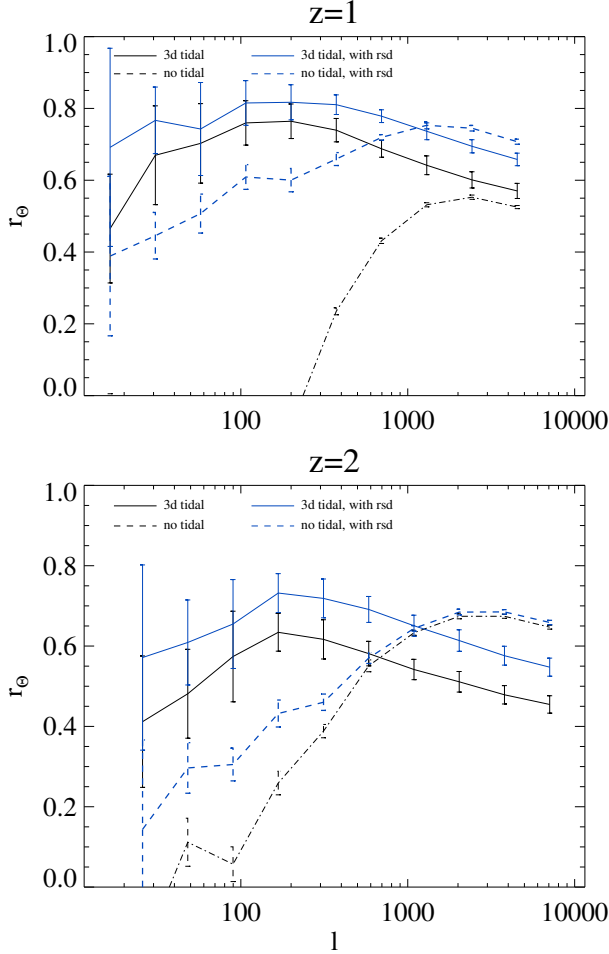


FIG. 1: The cross correlation  $r$  between reconstructed kSZ  $P_{\Theta_{kSZ}}$  and real kSZ  $P_{\Theta_{kSZ}}$ . (Dashed line) kSZ calculated from foreground filtered 21 cm density field  $\delta_{fs}$ ; (Solid line) kSZ calculated from tidal reconstructed density field. (Blue lines) take into account of redshift space distortions.

Since  $f(k, \tau)$  increase with  $k$  in our interested scales, the distortions are more obvious in small scales. Therefore, the method mainly use the quadratic statistics on small scales to recover the large scale density field. It works best for close linear regions.

Detailed steps:

(1) Gaussianize the field, taking  $\delta_g = \ln(1 + \delta)$ . This is to alleviate the problem that filter  $W_i$  in Eq.(12) heavily weights high density regions.

(2) Following gravitational lensing procedures, decompose the symmetric, traceless tidal force tensor into 5 components,

$$t_{ij} = \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_1 - \gamma_z & \gamma_x & \gamma_2 \\ \gamma_x & -\gamma_1 - \gamma_z & \gamma_y \\ \gamma_2 & \gamma_y & 2\gamma_z \end{pmatrix}. \quad (10)$$

(3) Select density distortions caused by tidal force, by convolving  $\delta_g$  with a filter  $W_i$  deduced from Eq.(7)

$$\delta_g^{w_i}(\mathbf{k}) = W_i(\mathbf{k})\delta_g(\mathbf{k}) \quad (11)$$

$$W_i(\mathbf{k}) = i \left[ \frac{P(k)f(k)}{P_{tot}^2(k)} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{k_i}{k} = S(k) \frac{k_i}{k}$$

where  $i$  indicates  $\hat{x}, \hat{y}, \hat{z}$  directions,  $f(k) = 2\alpha(\tau) - \beta(\tau)d \ln P/d \ln k$  is again the coupling function, with  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  related to linear growth function [16], and calculated to be (0.6, 1.3) for  $z = 1$  and (0.4, 0.9) for  $z = 2$ .  $P_{tot} = P + P_{noise}$  is observed matter powerspectrum,  $P$  is theoretical matter powerspectrum,

(4) Estimate the 5 tidal tensor components from quadratic statistics.

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\gamma}_1(\mathbf{x}) &= [\delta_g^{w_1}(\mathbf{x})\delta_g^{w_1}(\mathbf{x}) - \delta_g^{w_2}(\mathbf{x})\delta_g^{w_2}(\mathbf{x})], \\ \hat{\gamma}_2(\mathbf{x}) &= [2\delta_g^{w_1}(\mathbf{x})\delta_g^{w_2}(\mathbf{x})], \\ \hat{\gamma}_x(\mathbf{x}) &= [2\delta_g^{w_1}(\mathbf{x})\delta_g^{w_3}(\mathbf{x})], \\ \hat{\gamma}_y(\mathbf{x}) &= [2\delta_g^{w_2}(\mathbf{x})\delta_g^{w_3}(\mathbf{x})], \\ \hat{\gamma}_z(\mathbf{x}) &= \frac{1}{3}[(2\delta_g^{w_3}(\mathbf{x})\delta_g^{w_3}(\mathbf{x}) \\ &\quad - \delta_g^{w_1}(\mathbf{x})\delta_g^{w_1}(\mathbf{x}) - \delta_g^{w_2}(\mathbf{x})\delta_g^{w_2}(\mathbf{x}))], \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

(5) Reconstruct large scale density contrast  $\kappa_{3D}$  from tidal tensor:

$$\begin{aligned} \kappa_{3D}(\mathbf{k}) &= \frac{1}{k^2} [(k_1^2 - k_2^2)\gamma_1(\mathbf{k}) + 2k_1k_2\gamma_2(\mathbf{k}) \\ &\quad + 2k_1k_3\gamma_x(\mathbf{k}) + 2k_2k_3\gamma_y(\mathbf{k}) \\ &\quad + (2k_3^2 - k_1^2 - k_2^2)\gamma_z(\mathbf{k})]. \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

(6) Correct bias and suppress noise with a Wiener filter.

Due to the foregrounds, the noise in  $z$  direction will be different from  $x, y$  direction, therefore we apply an anisotropic Wiener filter.

$$\hat{\kappa}_c(\mathbf{k}) = \frac{\kappa_{3D}(\mathbf{k})}{b(k_{\perp}, k_{\parallel})} W(k_{\perp}, k_{\parallel}), \quad (14)$$

Bias  $b(k_{\perp}, k_{\parallel}) = P_{k3D, \delta}/P_{\delta}$  is the cross powerspectra between reconstructed field  $\kappa_{3D}$  and original field  $\delta$ , Wiener filter  $W(k_{\perp}, k_{\parallel}) = P_{\delta}/(P_{k3D}/b^2)$ .

Here  $\hat{\kappa}_c$  is the output large scale density contrast we obtain from tidal reconstruction. We use it to calculate velocity  $\hat{v}_z^{tide}$  and mock kSZ signal  $\hat{\Theta}_{tide}$  following identical procedure as to noise filtered field.

## VI. RESULT: CROSS CORRELATION

For comparison, we first present the cross correlation between  $v_z$  and  $\hat{v}_z^{tide}$  in lower panels of Fig.??.

It is obvious that the previously lost small  $k_{\parallel}$  modes are partly recovered. The reconstruction on  $k_{\parallel}$  direction is better than on  $k_{\perp}$  direction. This is because tidal reconstruction relies heavily on large  $k$  modes, yet lots of large  $k_{\perp}$  modes, whose  $k_{\parallel}$  is small, are lost in the foregrounds. There is degrading performance of tidal reconstruction on  $z = 2$  compared to  $z = 1$ , which mainly results from the stricter cutoff  $k_c = 0.32$  h/Mpc compared to  $k_c = 0.5$  h/Mpc.

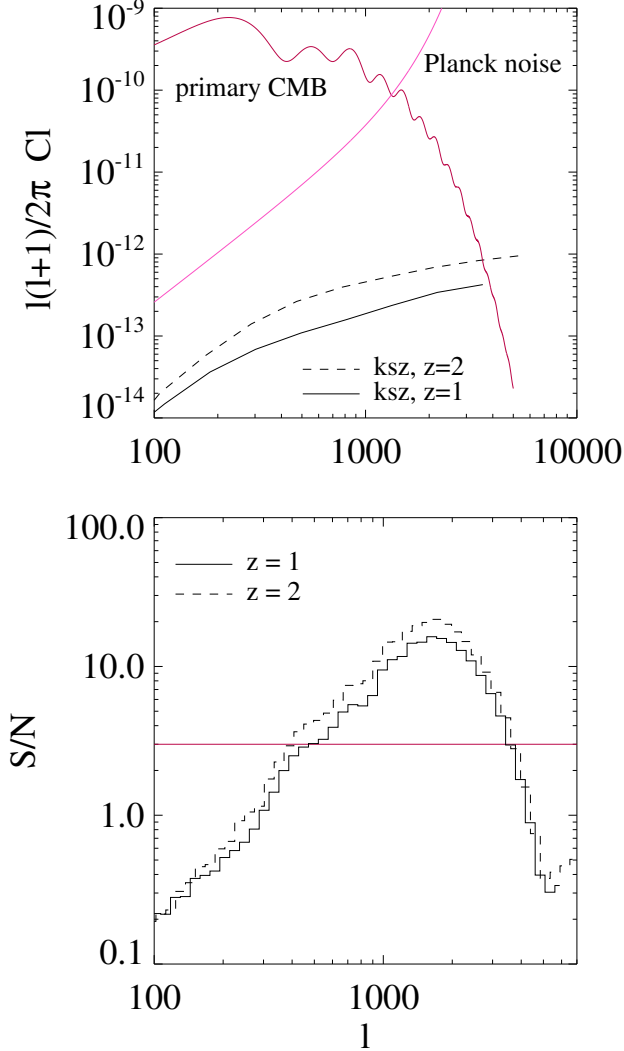


FIG. 2: (Top) Relative strength of kSZ signal, within a box of  $\Delta\chi = 1200 \text{ Mpc}/h$ . (Bottom) predicted S/N, assuming Planck noise,  $\Delta\ell/\ell = 0.1$ ,  $f_{\text{sky}} = 0.8$ .

In Fig.1, we demonstrate the correlation  $r$  between the reconstructed kSZ signal  $\hat{\Theta}_{\text{tide}}$  and original kSZ signal  $\Theta$ .

It is important to see: For  $z = 1$ , there are significant improvement on the cross-correlation after tidal reconstruction, especially below  $\ell \sim 2000$ ; for  $z = 2$ , the cross-correlation is improved for  $\ell \lesssim 800$ . Combining noise filtered fields and tidal reconstructed fields, we shall have good cross-correlation for  $\ell \sim 50 - 5000$ , with the assumed level of foregrounds and noises on small scales.

## VII. ANALYSIS: EXPECTED S/N

We use the statistical error to estimate the S/N ratio for real surveys, taking into account the contamination from primary

CMB and facility noises.

$$\frac{S}{N} = \frac{C_l}{\Delta C_l} \quad (15)$$

$$\simeq r \sqrt{(2\ell + 1) \Delta l f_{\text{sky}}} \sqrt{\frac{C_l^{\text{kSZ}, \Delta z}}{C_l^{\text{CMB}} + C_l^{\text{kSZ}} + C_l^{\text{CMB}, N}}}$$

Where  $C_l^{\text{CMB}}$  is the angular powerspectrum of primary CMB;  $C_l^{\text{CMB}, N}$  indicates the facility noises;  $C_l^{\text{kSZ}, \Delta z}$  is the kSZ signal from a certain redshift bin;  $r$  is the correlation coefficients we get;  $f_{\text{sky}}$  is the percent of sky area covered by both surveys.

In our case, we calculate  $C_l^{\text{CMB}}$  from CAMB [24]. We use Planck 2015 results [25] at 217GHz to estimate  $C_l^{\text{CMB}, N}$ .  $C_l^{\text{CMB}, N} = (\sigma_{p,T} \theta_{\text{FWHM}})^2 W_l^{-2}$ ; where  $\sigma_{p,T} = 8.7 \mu K_{\text{CMB}}$  is Sensitivity per beam solid angle,  $\theta_{\text{FWHM}} \sim 5'$  is the effective beam FWHM,  $W_l = \exp[-\ell(\ell + 1)/2\ell_{\text{beam}}^2]$  is the smoothing window function, with  $\ell_{\text{beam}} = \sqrt{8 \ln 2}/\theta_{\text{FWHM}}$ . We choose  $f_{\text{sky}} = 0.8$ , since it is feasible for 21 cm intensity mapping to survey large sky areas. We choose  $\Delta\ell/\ell = 0.1$ . And for  $C_l^{\text{kSZ}, \Delta z}$ , we choose two bins of size 1200 Mpc/h, centered at redshift 1,2 respectively.

In Fig.2, we plot the S/N level for the two redshift bins. The S/N will exceeds 3 from  $\ell \sim 500 - 3000$ . The overall S/N for  $z = 1$  is 45, and for  $z = 2$  is 59.

Since we only use the correlation calculated from tidal reconstructed field, the S/N shall be higher for  $z = 2$  combining tidal reconstructed field and foreground filtered field.

## VIII. CONCLUSION

In this paper, we discuss the possibility of cross correlating kSZ signal with 21 cm intensity mapping as a new probe to study baryon distributions. A tomographic way of calculating cross correlation with estimated velocity field is applied. Correlation results are presented for redshift 1 and 2, considering foreground noises, finite telescope resolution, and redshift space distortions. The latter two will not matter much. However, the foreground noise will smear the correlation on large scales while leaving sufficient correlation on smaller scales such as  $\ell \sim 1000$ . In order to study the large scale baryon distribution, we recover modes lost in foregrounds with a 3D tidal reconstruction and obtain a  $r > 0.6$  correlation for  $\ell \sim 100 - 2000$ . After the reconstruction, we will likely be able to distinguish cross correlation signals from  $\ell \gtrsim 500$ . Assuming Planck noise, the total S/N can reach 45 for  $z = 1$  and 59 for  $z = 2$ . This shows a promising future for this method.

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