

Introduction

We present here a novel approach withing the `convigt` algorithm, in presence of a spinning Half-Wave plate (HWP) polarization modulator accounting for the polarisation properties of the beam. In fact, it produces a rotation of the beam which is no more stationary in the sky when traditional convolution methodologies are employed. Convolution methods working in harmonic space usually create data-cubes where for each (θ, ϕ, ψ) position and orientation in the sky (with a suitable grids in the three dimensions) the convolution result is stored. The actual value of the convolved signal for a generic pointing direction and orientation is obtained via interpolation of the data-cube. The HWP adds an extra-dimension of the data-cube and the required resolution and number of detectors of modern experiments make the problem almost unfeasible.

Notes on the *TEB* convolution implementation TOAST

With this approach we aim at including the polarized component of the beam that were neglected in the implementation of the TOAST operator `SimWeightedConvigt` [link](#), where the same perfect co-polar beam from total intensity is adopted also for the polarization part. This means that for total intensity the beam is made only of its I (total intensity) component and for the two linear polarisation directions only the Q (U) component is non-zero and it is equal to the I component).

In the following, we briefly describe the previous implementation.

We firstly, convert the `GRASP` θ, ϕ simulated grid files into the equivalent IQU Stokes beam maps.

We then generated 3 beam IQU maps so that :

- $b^I = (b^I, 0, 0)$
- $b^Q = (0, b^I, 0)$
- $b^U = (0, 0, b^I)$

with b^I being the total intensity component of the initial `GRASP` beam.

Each beam map is then expanded into *TEB* spherical harmonic coefficients, $b_{\ell,m}^X$. We remark here that

$$b_{\ell m}^{I,E} = b_{\ell m}^{I,B} = b_{\ell m}^{Q,T} = b_{\ell m}^{U,T} = 0,$$

which implies that for each beam map only the convolution for the non-zero component is performed with the relative sky harmonic coefficients, $a_{\ell m}$.

The final convolved TOD is thus :

$$d_t \propto \sum_{\ell m s} b_{\ell s}^{I*} a_{\ell m} + (b_{\ell s}^{Q*} a_{\ell m} + b_{\ell s}^{U*} a_{\ell m}) e^{2i\psi + 4i\alpha_{HWP}} \pm 2 Y_{\ell m}$$

The new convolution algorithm([link](#)) assumes that the unpolarized and polarized properties of the `GRASP` IQU Stokes beam maps are encoded into two beams:

- $b_{\ell m}^T$, the total intensity beam
- $b_{\ell m}^P = b_{\ell m}^E + ib_{\ell m}^B$, the *polarized* beam obtained by expanding into E and B mode the QU beam maps.

The convolved TOD is then:

$$d_t \propto \sum_{\ell m s} b_{\ell s}^{T*} a_{\ell m}^T + b_{\ell s}^{P*} (a_{\ell m}^E + i a_{\ell m}^B) e^{2i\psi + 4i\alpha_{HWP}} {}_{\pm 2}Y_{\ell m}$$

It is immediate to show that the convolution of the polarization signals is :

- $Q \propto b_{\ell s}^E a_{\ell m}^E + b_{\ell s}^B a_{\ell m}^B$
- $U \propto b_{\ell s}^E a_{\ell m}^B - b_{\ell s}^B a_{\ell m}^E$