# **Problem Set 5 - Matias Castro Tapia**

# In [1]:

```
import numpy as np
import camb
from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
import time
```

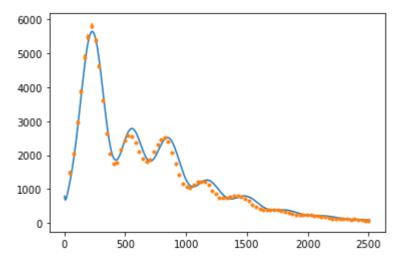
C:\Users\Odette\anaconda3\lib\site-packages\scipy\\_\_init\_\_.py:146: UserWarni
ng: A NumPy version >=1.16.5 and <1.23.0 is required for this version of Sci
Py (detected version 1.23.4
 warnings.warn(f"A NumPy version >={np\_minversion} and <{np\_maxversion}"</pre>

First, I tried the code planck\_likelihood.py provided in the mcmc folder. I copied the code below.

# In [2]:

```
def get spectrum(pars,lmax=3000):
    #print('pars are ',pars)
    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]
                   #you could return the full power spectrum here if you wanted to do say E
    return tt[2:]
#plt.ion()
pars=np.asarray([60,0.02,0.1,0.05,2.00e-9,1.0])
planck=np.loadtxt('COM_PowerSpect_CMB-TT-full_R3.01.txt',skiprows=1)
ell=planck[:,0]
spec=planck[:,1]
errs=0.5*(planck[:,2]+planck[:,3]);
model=get_spectrum(pars)
model=model[:len(spec)]
resid=spec-model
chisq=np.sum( (resid/errs)**2)
print("chisq is ",chisq," for ",len(resid)-len(pars)," degrees of freedom.")
#read in a binned version of the Planck PS for plotting purposes
planck_binned=np.loadtxt('COM_PowerSpect_CMB-TT-binned_R3.01.txt',skiprows=1)
errs binned=0.5*(planck binned[:,2]+planck binned[:,3]);
#plt.clf()
plt.plot(ell,model)
plt.errorbar(planck_binned[:,0],planck_binned[:,1],errs_binned,fmt='.')
plt.show()
```

chisq is 15267.937150261656 for 2501 degrees of freedom.



Then, I tried obtaining the model using the set of parameters [69,0.022,0.12,0.06,2.10e-9,0.95].

#### In [3]:

```
pars=np.asarray([69,0.022,0.12,0.06,2.10e-9,0.95])
model=get_spectrum(pars)
model=model[:len(spec)]
resid=spec-model
chisq=np.sum( (resid/errs)**2)
print("chisq is ",chisq," for ",len(resid)-len(pars)," degrees of freedom.")
```

chisq is 3272.2053559202204 for 2501 degrees of freedom.

## In [4]:

```
np.sqrt(2*2501),2501+np.sqrt(2*2501),2501+11*np.sqrt(2*2501)
```

## Out[4]:

(70.7248188403477, 2571.724818840348, 3278.9730072438247)

I obtained  $\chi^2=3272.2053559202204$ . Since, there are 2501 degrees of freedom and the variance of the  $\chi^2$  is 2 times the degrees of freedom, then  $\sigma_{\chi^2}=70.72481$ . The  $\chi^2$  obtained with this set of parameters is not good enough since this is very out from the expected (mean) value of  $\chi^2$ , which should be about the value of degrees of freedom. However, this value is much better than the 15267.937150261656 obtained for the trial in planck\_likelihood.py. Thus, this new set of parameters is more likely than the first se since is closer to the n degrees of freedom.

I defined the routine ev\_planck to obtain the model spectrum using the get\_spectrum routine from planck\_likelihood.py. ev\_planck returns the model with the length of the data in the first column of COM PowerSpect CMB-TT-full R3.01.txt

I also defined the routine deriv to obtain the numerical partial derivatives of a function G as follows:

$$\frac{\partial G}{\partial m_i} = \frac{G(x, y, m_1, \dots m_i + h_i, \dots, m_n) - G(x, y, m_1, \dots m_i - h_i, \dots, m_n)}{2h_i}$$

This beause all the parameters have different orders of magnitude. hh is an array with different scales of h to estimate every numerical partial derivative using a h smaller than the order of magnitude that we already used for each parameter.

#### In [5]:

```
def ev_planck(p):
    model=get_spectrum(p)
    model=model[:len(spec)]
    return model
```

# In [6]:

```
def deriv(fun,p,h):
    y=fun(p)
    derivs=[]
    for i in range(len(p)):
        pl=p.copy()
        pm=p.copy()
        pl[i]=p[i]+h[i]
        pm[i]=p[i]-h[i]
        derivs.append((fun(pl)-fun(pm))/(2*h[i]))
    return y,np.array(derivs)
```

# In [54]:

```
hh=np.array([1,0.001,0.01,0.01,1e-11,0.05])/1000
```

I defined Ninv to be  $N^{-1}$  of the data, so every element of the diagonal is  $1/\sigma_i^2$  (and 0 for any other element out of the diagonal due to we are considering uncorrelated) with  $\sigma_i$  the error obtained from the data as  $(\sigma_{i+} + \sigma_{i-})/2$ .

# In [55]:

```
Ninv=np.eye(len(errs))*(1/errs**2)
```

Then, I used the Newton's method to find a root of  $\nabla \chi^2$  for the set of parameters m. Then, the iterative method can be applied using a Taylor expansion for  $A(m) = A(m_0) + A'(m_0)\delta m$ , and considering the residual r = d - A(m), the new definition for  $\chi^2 = (r - A'(m_0))^T N^{-1} (r - A'(m_0))$ . And assuming that  $\delta m$  is very small we want to solve  $\nabla \chi^2 = -A'^T(m_0)N^{-1}(r - A'(m_0)\delta m) = 0$ . Thus,  $\delta m = (A'^T(m_0)N^{-1}A'(m_0))^{-1}A'^T(m_0)N^{-1}r$ , and the iteration for finding a root of  $\nabla \chi^2$  is  $m_{n+1} = m_n + \delta m$ .

I also used the QR decomposition for  $A'(m_0)$ , then the estimation of  $\delta m$  is:

$$\delta m = R^{-1} (Q^T N^{-1} Q)^{-1} Q^T N^{-1} r$$

The parameters and errors are reported in planck\_fit\_params.txt.

# In [115]:

```
p=pars.copy()
for j in range(20):
    y,der=deriv(ev_planck,p,hh)
    r=(spec-y)
    chisq=np.sum(((spec-y)**2)/(errs**2))
    A_m=np.ones([r.size,6])
    for i in range(6):
        A_m[:,i]=der[i]
    Q,R=np.linalg.qr(A_m)
    dp=np.linalg.inv(R)@np.linalg.inv(Q.T@Ninv@Q)@Q.T@Ninv@r
    for i in range(p.size):
        p[i]=p[i]+dp[i]
    errp=np.sqrt(np.diag(np.linalg.inv(A_m.T@Ninv@A_m)))
    Nm=np.linalg.inv(A_m.T@Ninv@A_m)
    with open('planck_fit_params.txt', 'a') as f:
        for k in p:
            f.write(str(k)+' ')
        for 1 in errp[0:-1]:
            f.write(str(1)+' ')
        f.write(str(errp[-1])+'\n')
    print(p,chisq,dp)
print(np.linalg.inv(A_m.T@Ninv@A_m))
[6.82344625e+01 2.23628848e-02 1.17685431e-01 8.47240930e-02
 2.21639573e-09 9.73001434e-01] 2576.1575893366007 [-7.78757823e-02 -8.909
98570e-06 1.78189838e-04 -1.51397965e-03
 -5.63615040e-12 -3.98935207e-04]
[6.82417834e+01 2.23638766e-02 1.17669376e-01 8.51834096e-02
 2.21823759e-09 9.73042689e-01] 2576.1534424325637 [ 7.32091837e-03 9.917
86495e-07 -1.60551498e-05 4.59316626e-04
  1.84185289e-12 4.12544725e-05]
[6.83082327e+01 2.23711937e-02 1.17516035e-01 8.61657615e-02
 2.22175922e-09 9.73382339e-01] 2576.152266607657 [ 6.64492395e-02 7.3170
9934e-06 -1.53341020e-04 9.82351857e-04
  3.52163544e-12 3.39650539e-04]
[6.82319965e+01 2.23625372e-02 1.17690899e-01 8.47627691e-02
 2.21631560e-09 9.72989540e-01] 2576.1571267456293 [-7.62362002e-02 -8.656
49511e-06 1.74864489e-04 -1.40299237e-03
 -5.44362589e-12 -3.92799237e-04]
[6.82422258e+01 2.23639924e-02 1.17668562e-01 8.51812869e-02
 2.21822450e-09 9.73044407e-01] 2576.1561373882696 [ 1.02293476e-02 1.455
22087e-06 -2.23369562e-05 4.18517747e-04
  1 000006702-12
                 E 186603630 DE1
In [116]:
p,errp
Out[116]:
(array([6.82416236e+01, 2.23638984e-02, 1.17669875e-01, 8.51333156e-02,
        2.21802047e-09, 9.73041130e-01]),
 array([1.18632544e+00, 2.28910732e-04, 2.65264455e-03, 3.41070114e-02,
        1.43163834e-10, 6.56624303e-03]))
After 20 iterations the change in the parameters is about m_i \times 10^{-3} and about 0.001 in the \chi^2, then, the
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parameters obtained were  $H_0 = 6.82416236e + 01$ ,  $\Omega_b h^2 = 2.23638984e - 02$ ,

 $\Omega_c h^2 = 1.17669875e - 01$ ,  $\tau = 8.51333156e - 02$ ,  $A_s = 2.21802047e - 09$ ,  $n_s = 9.73041130e - 01$ .

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And the errors: \sigma_{H_0}=1.18632544e+00, \sigma_{\Omega_bh^2}=2.28910732e-04, \sigma_{\Omega_ch^2}=2.65264455e-03, \sigma_{\tau}=3.41070114e-02, \sigma_{A_s}=1.43163834e-10, \sigma_{n_s}=6.56624303e-03.
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In [58]:
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Nm
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Out[58]:
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The error in the parameters are obtained from the curvature matrix  $N_m = (A'N^{-1}A')^{-1}$ .

I defined the routine chi2 to calculate the  $\chi^2$  and the noise routine to calculate the shift of the parameters. I used np.random.multivariate\_normal and  $N_m$  to generate some parameters shifted proportionally to their covariance matrix in the below description of the MCMC routine.

```
In [59]:
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def chi2(theta,d):
    yy=ev_planck(theta)
    return (d-yy)@(Ninv@(d-yy))
```

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In [60]:
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```
def noise(Nm):
    return(np.random.multivariate_normal([0]*len(Nm),Nm))
```

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In [61]:
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```
noise(Nm)
```

```
Out[61]:
```

```
array([-1.47734368e+00, -2.62899969e-05, 3.92482603e-03, -3.92610312e-02, -1.47506102e-10, -7.12626926e-03])
```

I defined the routine run\_mcmc to run a chain. The routine computes the  $\chi^2$  for the starting guess, then shifts the parameters using the noise routine and computes the  $\chi^2$  for the new set of parameters. The routine computes a probability  $e^{-0.5\Delta\chi^2}$  (with  $\Delta\chi^2 = \Delta\chi^2_n - \Delta\chi^2_{n-1}$ ) and accepts and adds the parameters to the chain just if the probability is greater than a random value between 0 and 1. If the new  $\chi^2$  is lower than the old, the 'probability' obtained will be always greater than 1 and the new set of parameters will be added to the chain. If the new set of parameters is not accepted, then the new position in the chain will be equal to the previous one. The routine iterates and compares with the previous step for nsteps and finally returns the parameters in the chain along with the  $\chi^2$  for every case. After some trials I ran the MCMC for 25000 steps. Also, an optimal

scale for shifting the parameters and finding an apparent convergence of the chain was noise(Nm)  $\times [0.8,0.8,0.8,0.45,0.45,0.8]$ . This was obtained trying 1000 steps multiple times, printing the acceptance ratio in the chain, and looking how the parameters change in every step. An optimal acceptance ratio was about 28%. The starting guess was the optimal values obtained from the Newton's method.

# In [31]:

```
def run_mcmc(data,start_pos,nstep,Nm,scale=None):
   nparam=start pos.size
   params=np.zeros([nstep,nparam+1])
   params[0,0:-1]=start_pos
   cur_chisq=chi2(start_pos,data)
   params[0,-1]=cur chisq
   cur_pos=start_pos.copy()
   if scale[0]==None:
        scale=np.ones(nparam)
   naccept=0
   accept rate=np.zeros(nstep)
   for i in range(1,nstep):
        new pos=cur pos+noise(Nm)*scale
        new_chisq=chi2(new_pos,data)
        print('Step:',i)
        delt=new_chisq-cur_chisq
        prob=np.exp(-0.5*delt)
        print('prob='+str(prob))
        if np.random.rand()ob:
                accept=True
        else:
                accept=False
        if accept:
            cur pos=new pos
            cur_chisq=new_chisq
            naccept += 1
        accept_rate[i] = naccept / i
        print('acc rate:'+str(accept rate[i]))
        params[i,0:-1]=cur_pos
        params[i,-1]=cur chisq
        print(params[i])
        #with open('planck_chain.txt', 'a') as f:
            for j in params[i,0:-1]:
                 f.write(str(j)+' ')
           # f.write(str(params[i,-1])+'\n')
    return params
```

## In [101]:

```
parrs=np.array([6.82416236e+01,2.23638984e-02,1.17669875e-01,8.51333156e-02,2.21802047e-09,
```

# In [105]:

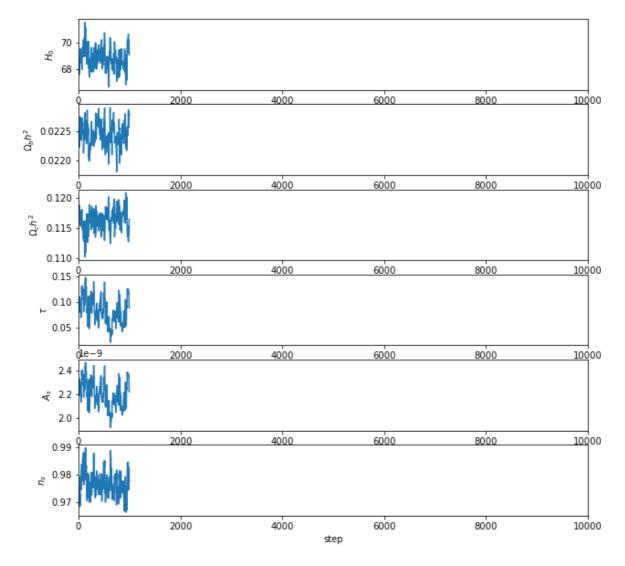
```
#chain=run_mcmc(spec,parrs,1000,Nm,np.array([0.7,0.7,0.7,0.4,0.4,0.7]))
chaint=run_mcmc(spec,parrs,1000,Nm,np.array([0.8,0.8,0.8,0.45,0.45,0.8]))
[6.77454958e+01 2.24252629e-02 1.18684906e-01 8.67328565e-02
2.22675690e-09 9.72100455e-01 2.57873155e+03]
Step: 922
prob=1.1216160701772566
acc rate: 0.2841648590021692
[6.81466066e+01 2.24171256e-02 1.17798130e-01 1.04431331e-01
2.30191290e-09 9.75517345e-01 2.57850201e+03]
Step: 923
prob=0.21554228888369706
acc rate:0.28494041170097506
[6.83691988e+01 2.25050668e-02 1.17050966e-01 9.57758700e-02
2.26187133e-09 9.75587541e-01 2.58157120e+03]
Step: 924
prob=0.4971905327027223
acc rate:0.2857142857142857
[6.77750426e+01 2.22660106e-02 1.18125128e-01 8.43924937e-02
2.21514671e-09 9.75939688e-01 2.58296877e+03]
Step: 925
prob=0.08028997630927433
acc rate: 0.28540540540540543
```

## In [109]:

```
f,ax=plt.subplots(6,1,figsize=(10,10))
par=['$H_{0}$','$\Omega_{b}h^{2}$','$\Omega_{c}h^{2}$',r'$\tau$','$A_{s}$','$n_{s}$']
for i in range(0,6):
    ax[i].plot([chaint[j][i] for j in range(0,len(chaint))],'-')
    ax[i].set_ylabel(par[i])
    ax[i].set_xlim(0,10000)
plt.xlabel('step')
```

# Out[109]:

Text(0.5, 0, 'step')



Below I modified the run\_mcmc routine to not print every step, but to write the  $\chi^2$  value and the parameters of each step on the file planck\_chain.txt. Once modified I ran the 25000 steps.

#### In [46]:

```
def run mcmc(data,start pos,nstep,Nm,scale=None):
    nparam=start_pos.size
    params=np.zeros([nstep,nparam+1])
    params[0,0:-1]=start_pos
    cur_chisq=chi2(start_pos,data)
    params[0,-1]=cur_chisq
    cur_pos=start_pos.copy()
    if scale[0]==None:
        scale=np.ones(nparam)
    naccept=0
    accept_rate=np.zeros(nstep)
    for i in range(1,nstep):
        new_pos=cur_pos+noise(Nm)*scale
        new_chisq=chi2(new_pos,data)
        #print('Step:',i)
        delt=new_chisq-cur_chisq
        prob=np.exp(-0.5*delt)
        #print('prob='+str(prob))
        if np.random.rand()prob:
                accept=True
        else:
                accept=False
        if accept:
            cur_pos=new_pos
            cur_chisq=new_chisq
            naccept += 1
        accept_rate[i] = naccept / i
        #print('acc rate:'+str(accept_rate[i]))
        params[i,0:-1]=cur_pos
        params[i,-1]=cur_chisq
        #print(params[i])
        with open('planck_chain.txt', 'a') as f:
            f.write(str(cur_chisq)+' ')
            for j in cur_pos[0:-1]:
                f.write(str(j)+' ')
            f.write(str(cur_pos[-1])+'\n')
    return params
```

## In [47]:

```
chain=run_mcmc(spec,parrs,25000,Nm,np.array([0.8,0.8,0.8,0.45,0.45,0.8]))
```

Reading the file with the chain saved.

# In [13]:

```
fl=open('planck_chain.txt')
chain=np.array([(x.strip()).split(' ') for x in fl.readlines()],dtype='float64')
fl.close()
```

# In [14]:

```
chi2m=np.array([chain[j][0] for j in range(0,len(chain))])
H0=np.array([chain[j][1] for j in range(0,len(chain))])
Ob=np.array([chain[j][2] for j in range(0,len(chain))])
Oc=np.array([chain[j][3] for j in range(0,len(chain))])
tau=np.array([chain[j][4] for j in range(0,len(chain))])
As=np.array([chain[j][5] for j in range(0,len(chain))])
ns=np.array([chain[j][6] for j in range(0,len(chain))])
```

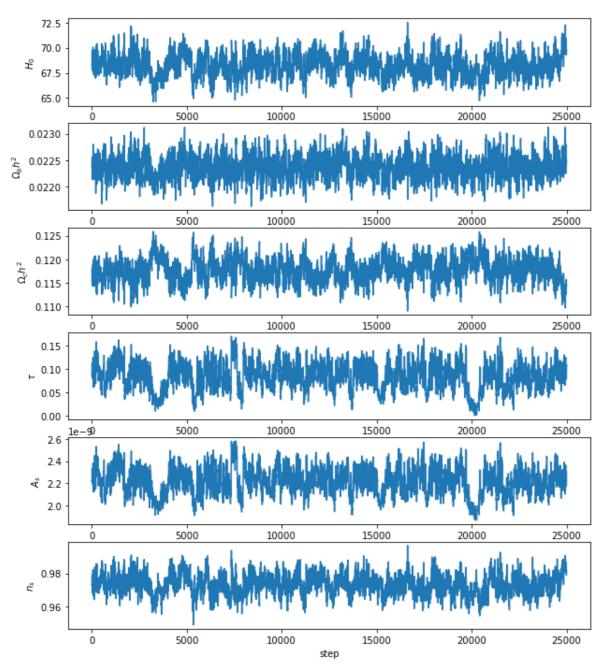
Below we can see that the plots of parameter vs steps almost look like white noise, this means that the parameters have forgotten their initial values, and then the chain should have converged.

## In [15]:

```
f,ax=plt.subplots(6,1,figsize=(10,12))
par=[r'$H_{0}$',r'$\Omega_{b}h^{2}$',r'$\Omega_{c}h^{2}$',r'$\tau$',r'$A_{s}$',r'$n_{s}$']
for i in range(1,7):
    ax[i-1].plot([chain[j][i] for j in range(0,len(chain))],'-')
    ax[i-1].set_ylabel(par[i-1])
    #ax[i-1].set_xlim(0,10000)
plt.xlabel('step')
```

# Out[15]:

# Text(0.5, 0, 'step')



Now, using the corner package we can plot the posterior distributions for the parameters along with the scatter of the parameters. Thus, we can also see the correlation between the parameters.

## In [16]:

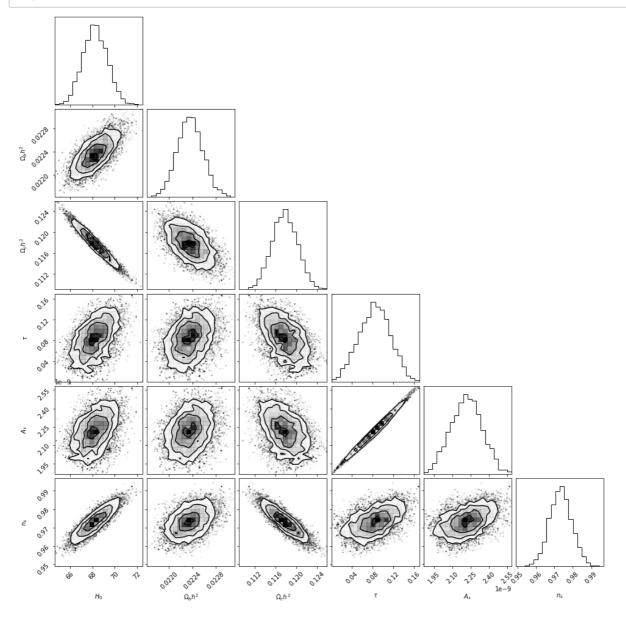
```
samples=np.array([H0,Ob,Oc,tau,As,ns])
```

# In [17]:

import corner

# In [18]:

figure = corner.corner(samples.T,labels=par)



And the estimation of the parameters with their uncertainties are the following:

#### In [121]:

```
parr=[r'H_0',r'Omega_b h^2',r'Omega_c h^2',r'tau',r'A_s',r'n_s']
for i in range(len(samples)):
    print(r'The estimation for '+parr[i]+'='+str(np.mean(samples[i]))+
          r' with error: '+str(np.std(samples[i])))
```

The estimation for H 0=68.23136560956435 with error:1.0973647667228792 The estimation for Omega b h^2=0.02235838108619997 with error:0.000219506716

The estimation for Omega c h^2=0.1177340217127854 with error:0.0024278126238 312155

The estimation for tau=0.08356992190162157 with error:0.02998685615091737 The estimation for A s=2.2145843746879562e-09 with error:1.2611974772802786e

The estimation for n s=0.9734267864131818 with error:0.005991863070678401

Using the formulation for a spatially flat universe, we will have that  $\Omega_{\Lambda}=1-(\Omega_c h^2+\Omega_b h^2)\frac{100^2}{H_c^2}$ . And the error can be estimated using the partial derivatives of  $\Omega_{\Lambda}$  respect to the parameters obtained from the MCMC  $\Delta\Omega_{\Lambda} = \sqrt{(\frac{\partial\Omega_{\Lambda}}{\partial\Omega_{c}h^{2}})^{2}(\Delta\Omega_{c}h^{2})^{2} + (\frac{\partial\Omega_{\Lambda}}{\partial\Omega_{b}h^{2}})^{2}(\Delta\Omega_{b}h^{2})^{2} + (\frac{\partial\Omega_{\Lambda}}{\partial H_{0}})^{2}(\Delta H_{0})^{2}}} \text{ (considering } \Delta m = \sigma_{m} \text{ for each } \Delta m = \sigma$ parameter).

# In [70]:

```
01=1-(np.mean(0b)+np.mean(0c))*(100**2)/(np.mean(H0)**2)
```

## In [71]:

```
sol=(100**2)*np.sqrt(((np.std(0b)**2)+(np.std(0c)**2))/(np.mean(H0)**4)+
                 ((np.std(H0)**2)*2*((np.mean(Ob)+np.mean(Oc))**2))/(np.mean(H0)**6))
```

# In [72]:

```
01, s01, 01 + s01
```

#### Out[72]:

(0.6990831845226845, 0.008617536185061251, 0.7077007207077457)

The estimation for the dark energy was  $\Omega_{\Lambda} = 0.699 \pm 0.7077$ 

Now, we can define weights to do importance sampling using the prior distribution for the optical depth  $\tau = 0.0540 \pm 0.0074$ . If we consider that the posterior distributions obtained using MCMC are Gaussians and the new prior is also a Gaussian (G), we can define the weigths:

$$w_i = \frac{G(\tau_i|0.0540,0.0074)}{G(\tau_i|\bar{\tau}_{MCMC},\sigma_{\tau MCMC})}$$
 . Then, the estimation of each parameter in the chain using the importance sampling with the weights is

$$< m > = \frac{\sum_{i} w_{i} m_{i}}{\sum_{i} w_{i}}$$
. Also  $< m^{2} > = \frac{\sum_{i} w_{i} m_{i}^{2}}{\sum_{i} w_{i}}$ , and then,  $\sigma_{m} = \sqrt{< m^{2} > - < m >^{2}}$ .

#### In [73]:

```
ptau_old=np.exp(-((tau-np.mean(tau))/np.std(tau))**2)
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In [74]:
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ptau_new=np.exp(-((tau-0.0540)/0.0074)**2)
```

# In [80]:

```
wi=ptau_new/ptau_old
```

#### In [87]:

```
means=(samples@wi)/sum(wi)
```

# In [88]:

```
meanssq=((samples**2)@wi)/sum(wi)
```

# In [89]:

```
errsi=np.sqrt(meanssq-means**2)
```

The estimation of the parameters using importance sampling are the following:

# In [122]:

```
for i in range(len(samples)):
    print(r'The estimation for '+parr[i]+'='+str(means[i])+
        r' with error:'+str(errsi[i]))
```

The estimation for  $H_0=67.73133129924331$  with error:1.0520689969219863 The estimation for Omega\_b h^2=0.022288421089291775 with error:0.00021299605 62668949

The estimation for Omega\_c h^2=0.11879595144153415 with error:0.002379746856 3476515

The estimation for tau=0.05288371159474349 with error:0.005340468268458898 The estimation for A\_s=2.0856005001653924e-09 with error:2.416685352403217e-11

The estimation for n s=0.9705314751136545 with error:0.005791619596947485

We can restimate the covariance matrix using  $N_m = (A'(< m >) N^{-1} A'(< m >))^{-1}$  for < m > from the importance sampling that I just did.

# In [95]:

```
y,der=deriv(ev_planck,means,hh)
A_m=np.ones([y.size,6])
for i in range(6):
    A_m[:,i]=der[i]
```

## In [97]:

```
Nmm=np.linalg.inv(A_m.T@Ninv@A_m)
```

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In [98]:
```

Nmm

```
Out[98]:
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```
array([[ 1.37789509e+00,
                         1.92985369e-04, -3.03110424e-03,
         2.33610676e-02,
                         8.23786070e-11,
                                         6.53112379e-03],
       [ 1.92985369e-04,
                         5.28631944e-08, -3.58200828e-07,
         3.40690959e-06, 1.25621624e-14, 7.18407451e-07],
       [-3.03110424e-03, -3.58200828e-07, 7.00491063e-06,
        -5.11083453e-05, -1.77648786e-13, -1.49137543e-05],
       [ 2.33610676e-02, 3.40690959e-06, -5.11083453e-05,
         1.36728653e-03, 5.43008831e-12, 1.16804645e-04],
       [ 8.23786070e-11, 1.25621624e-14, -1.77648786e-13,
         5.43008831e-12, 2.17085416e-20, 4.04178701e-13],
       [ 6.53112379e-03, 7.18407451e-07, -1.49137543e-05,
         1.16804645e-04, 4.04178701e-13, 4.00938917e-05]])
```

Below I defined a routine named prior to evaluate the trial step value of  $\tau$  in the Gaussian distribution  $G(\tau_i | 0.0540, 0.0074)$ 

```
In [38]:
```

```
def prior(theta):
    return np.exp(-((theta[3]-0.0540)/0.0074)**2)
```

I redefined the routine to run a chain as run\_mcmc\_p, this routine includes the prior information defined in the routine prior. Thus, the new probability in each step k is now  $e^{-0.5\Delta\chi^2} \frac{prior(t_k)}{prior(t_{k-1})}$ .

#### In [99]:

```
def run mcmc p(data,start pos,nstep,Nm,scale=None):
    nparam=start_pos.size
    params=np.zeros([nstep,nparam+1])
    params[0,0:-1]=start_pos
    cur_chisq=chi2(start_pos,data)
    params[0,-1]=cur_chisq
    cur_pos=start_pos.copy()
    if scale[0]==None:
        scale=np.ones(nparam)
    naccept=0
    accept_rate=np.zeros(nstep)
    for i in range(1,nstep):
        new_pos=cur_pos+noise(Nm)*scale
        new_chisq=chi2(new_pos,data)
        #print('Step:',i)
        delt=new_chisq-cur_chisq
        prob=prior(new_pos)*np.exp(-0.5*delt)/prior(cur_pos)
        #print('prob='+str(prob))
        if np.random.rand()prob:
                accept=True
        else:
                accept=False
        if accept:
            cur_pos=new_pos
            cur_chisq=new_chisq
            naccept += 1
        accept_rate[i] = naccept / i
        #print('acc rate:'+str(accept_rate[i]))
        params[i,0:-1]=cur_pos
        params[i,-1]=cur_chisq
        #print(params[i])
        with open('planck_chain_tauprior.txt', 'a') as f:
            f.write(str(cur chisq)+' ')
            for j in cur_pos[0:-1]:
                f.write(str(j)+' ')
            f.write(str(cur_pos[-1])+'\n')
    return params
```

# In [102]:

```
chain1=run_mcmc_p(spec,parrs,25000,Nmm,np.array([0.7,0.7,0.7,0.4,0.4,0.7]))
```

# In [103]:

```
fl1=open('planck_chain_tauprior.txt')
chain1=np.array([(x.strip()).split(' ') for x in fl1.readlines()],dtype='float64')
fl1.close()
```

# In [104]:

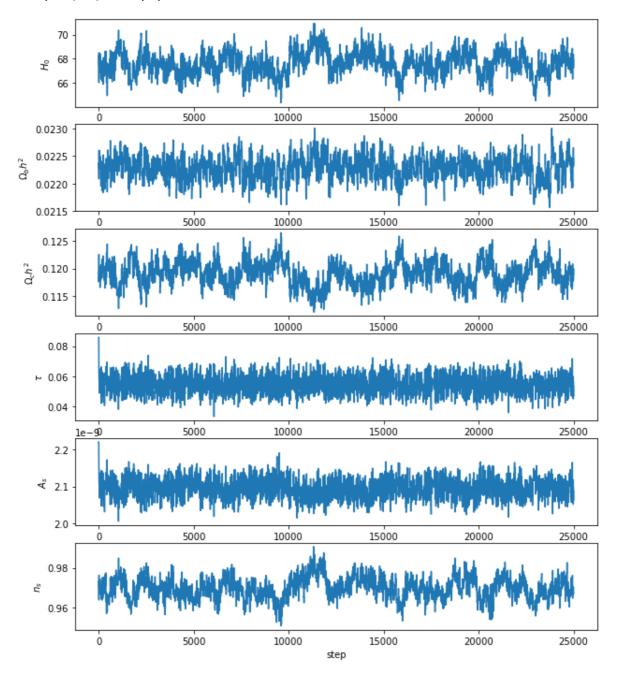
```
chi21=np.array([chain1[j][0] for j in range(0,len(chain1))])
H01=np.array([chain1[j][1] for j in range(0,len(chain1))])
Ob1=np.array([chain1[j][2] for j in range(0,len(chain1))])
Oc1=np.array([chain1[j][3] for j in range(0,len(chain1))])
tau1=np.array([chain1[j][4] for j in range(0,len(chain1))])
As1=np.array([chain1[j][5] for j in range(0,len(chain1))])
ns1=np.array([chain1[j][6] for j in range(0,len(chain1))])
```

# In [107]:

```
f,ax=plt.subplots(6,1,figsize=(10,12))
par=['$H_{0}$','$\Omega_{b}h^{2}$','$\Omega_{c}h^{2}$',r'$\tau$','$A_{s}$','$n_{s}$']
for i in range(1,7):
    ax[i-1].plot([chain1[j][i] for j in range(0,len(chain1))],'-')
    ax[i-1].set_ylabel(par[i-1])
    #ax[i-1].set_xlim(0,25000)
plt.xlabel('step')
```

# Out[107]:

Text(0.5, 0, 'step')

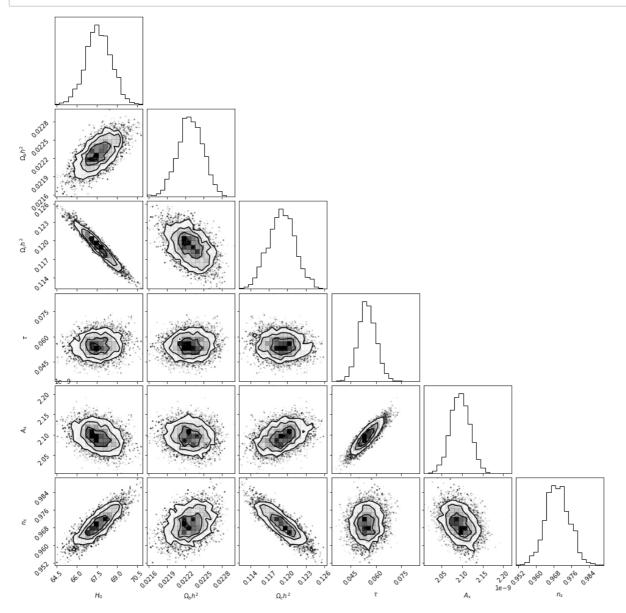


# In [108]:

```
samples1=np.array([H01,0b1,0c1,tau1,As1,ns1])
```

# In [109]:

figure1 = corner.corner(samples1.T,labels=par)



The new set of parameters using the prior information is:

# In [118]:

```
for i in range(len(samples1)):
    print(r'The estimation for '+parr[i]+'='+str(np.mean(samples1[i]))+
        r' with error:'+str(np.std(samples1[i])))
```

```
The estimation for H_0=67.61572079584533 with error:0.9543111784957445 The estimation for Omega_b h^2=0.022275331251134352 with error:0.00020756084 149584837 The estimation for Omega_c h^2=0.11905167357470824 with error:0.002189197371 554165 The estimation for tau=0.05471969559559261 with error:0.00510230826913746 The estimation for tau=0.054719695595959261 with error:2.352825656303212e-1 The estimation for tau=0.0547196956847297738862 with error:0.0054369523058007485
```

The absolute differences from what we obtained using importance sampling are:

The absolute difference for A\_s=9.289907591998539e-12 The absolute difference for n\_s=0.0008467453397682512

# In [119]:

We can see that the differences from what we obtained using the prior information for MCMC and the importance sampling are of the order of magnitude  $< \sigma_m$  (less than the estimated error) for each parameter m. Therefore, if we already ran our chain but we know new prior information, using importance sampling could be a good approximation of what we will be obtaining if we run a new chain including the prior information.

We can compare what we obtained between the two chains to see that this difference is larger than the difference of comparing the estimations from the chain with prior information and the estimations from the importance sampling.

# In [120]: