CMB Polarisation: Toward an Observational Proof of Cosmic Inflation

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Finding Inflation: Breakthroughs in 2012 and 2013

- Discovery of broken scale invariance, $n_s < 1$, with more than 5σ
 - WMAP+ACT+SPT+BAO [December 2012]
 - WMAP+Planck [March 2013]
- Remarkable degree of Gaussianity of primordial fluctuations
 - Non-Gaussianity limited to <0.2% by WMAP and <0.04% by Planck [for the local form]
- These are important milestones: strong evidence for the quantum origin of structures in the universe [Slava's talk]

Courtesy of David Larson



*yet to be confirmed

Breakthrough* in 2014

- Discovery of the primordial* B-modes with more than 5σ by BICEP2
 - Detection of nearly scale-invariant tensor perturbations proves inflation
 - This requires precise characterisation of the Bmode power spectrum. How are we going to achieve this?

If BICEP2's discovery of the primordial B-modes is confirmed, what is next?

- Prove inflation by characterising the B-mode power spectrum precisely. Specifically:
 - We will find the existence of the predicted "reionisation bump" at I<10
 - We will determine the tensor tilt, $n_t,$ to the precision of a few $x \; 10^{-2}$
 - [The exact scale invariance is $n_t=0$]
- Added bonus: we may be able to measure the number of neutrino species from the B-mode power spectrum!

A comment on the tension between r~0.2 and WMAP/Planck



Lowering TT at low multipoles

- Adding a scale-dependent [running] scalar spectral index improves χ^2 by
 - $\Delta \chi^2 = -6.5$ [one more free parameter]
- Adding isocurvature perturbations totally anticorrelated with adiabatic perturbations improves χ^2 by
 - $\Delta \chi^2 = -4.2$ [one more free parameter]
- Both can lower the temperature power spectrum at low multipoles. But, *do the data require such modifications?*

Bayesian Evidence

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Evidence =
$$\int d^N \theta \mathcal{L}(\text{data}|\vec{\theta}) P(\vec{\theta})$$

likelihood prior

- Bayesian evidence penalises models which have:
 - Too many free parameters
 - Free parameters which have too much freedom [i.e., models are not predictive]

Log[Evidence Ratio]

- Take two models, and compute the Bayesian evidences
- Take the ratio of the evidences, and compute natural logarithm
- Is there evidence that one model is preferred over another?
 - In(Evidence Ratio)=0 to 1 -> no evidence
 - In(Evidence Ratio)=1 to 3 -> moderate evidence
 - In(Evidence Ratio)=3 to 5 -> strong evidence
 - In(Evidence Ratio)>5 -> decisive evidence

Giannantonio & Komatsu, in prep.

Running Index

$$k^{3}P(k) \propto k^{n_{s}-1+\frac{1}{2}\rho_{s}\ln(k/k_{0})}$$

Prior: $\rho_s = [-0.1, 0.1]$ Planck best fit, ACDM 3000 $r_{0.05} = 0.2$ $r_{0.05} = 0.2$, $\rho_s = 0.03$ 2500 $r_{0.05} = 0.2, \rho_s = -0.03$ 95% posterior: $\rho_{s} = [-4.4, -0.12] \times 10^{-2}$ 2000 1500 Log[Evidence Ratio 1000 wrt LCDM+r] = **2.55** Planck low-l • 500 Planck high-l = Moderately in favour 0 10 40 50 20 30 0 Multipole 1

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[Anti] Correlated Isocurvature Perturbation

$$C_l^{TT,\text{scal}} = A^2 \left[(1-\alpha)\hat{C}_l^{\text{ad2}} + \alpha\hat{C}_l^{\text{iso}} - \sqrt{\alpha(1-\alpha)}\hat{C}_l^{\text{cor}} \right]$$



Effect of Relativistic Neutrinos on the B-mode power spectrum

- Gravitational waves are often thought to obey a wave equation in vacuum, simply redshirting away like this: $\Box h_{ij} = 0$
- However, gravitational waves suffer from damping due to anisotropic stress of neutrinos:

$$\Box h_{ij} = -\frac{16\pi G}{a^2} \delta T_{ij}^{(\nu)}$$



This results in damping of h_{ij} , and the effect is proportional to the energy density of relativistic neutrinos, hence N_{eff} [Weinberg 2004]



Signal-to-noise Estimates

• With the full lensing B-mode [i.e., no de-lensing]

$$\frac{S}{N} = 3.5 \frac{r\sqrt{f_{\rm sky}}}{0.1}$$

• With 90% de-lensing

$$\frac{S}{N} = 8 \frac{r \sqrt{f_{\rm sky}}}{0.1}$$



We can use this measurement to constrain the number of effective neutrino species [Zhao, Zhang & Xia 2009]

Tensor Tilt, nt

- Unlike the scalar tilt, it is not easy to determine the tensor tilt because the lensing B-mode power spectrum reduces the number of usable modes for measuring the primordial B-mode power spectrum
- In the best case scenario without de-lensing, the uncertainty on n_t is Err[n_t]~0.03 for r=0.1, which is too large to test the single-field consistency relation, $n_t = -r/8 \sim -0.01(r/0.1)$
- De-lensing is crucial!



Most optimistic forecast [full sky, white noise, no foreground] Without de-lensing [r=0.1]



Most optimistic forecast [full sky, white noise, no foreground]



Why reionisation bump?

- Measuring the reionisation bump at I<10 would not improve the precision of the tensor tilt very much
- However, it is an important **qualitative** test of the prediction of inflation
- The measurement of the reionisation bump is a challenging task due to Galactic foreground. How bad can it be?

How many components?

- CMB: $T_v \sim v^0$
- Synchrotron: $T_v \sim v^{-3}$
- Dust: $T_v \sim v^2$
- Therefore, we need at least 3 frequencies to separate them



• At 100 GHz, the total foreground emission is a couple of orders of magnitude bigger in power at I<10

Gauss will help us

- The power spectrum captures only a fraction of information
- CMB is very close to Gaussian, while foreground is highly non-Gaussian
- CMB scientist's best friend is this equation:

$$-2 \ln \mathcal{L} = ([\text{data}]_i - [\text{stuff}]_i)^t (C^{-1})_{ij} ([\text{data}]_j - [\text{stuff}]_j)$$

2-point function of
CMB plus noise

WMAP's Simple Approach $[Q', U'](v) = \frac{[Q, U](v) - \alpha_{S}(v)[Q, U](v = 23 \text{ GHz})}{1 - \alpha_{S}(v)}$

- Use the 23 GHz map as a tracer of synchrotron
- Fit the 23 GHz map to a map at another frequency with a single amplitude α_S , and subtract
- After correcting for the "CMB bias", this method removes synchrotron completely, provided that:
 - Spectral index [T_v~v^{\beta}; \beta~–0.3 for synchrotron] does not vary across the sky
- Residual foreground emission increases as the index variation increases

Limitation of the Simplest Approach



Synchrotron index does vary a lot across the sky

Going with the simplest

- While the synchrotron and dust indices do vary across the sky, let us go ahead with the simplest approach
- Obvious improvements are possible:
 - Fit multiple coefficients to different locations in the sky
 - Use more frequencies to constrain indices simultaneously

Methodology

We shall maximize the following likelihood function for estimating *r*, *s*, and α_i :

$$\mathcal{L}(r, s, \alpha_i) \propto \frac{\exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{x}'(\alpha_i)^T \boldsymbol{C}^{-1}(r, s, \alpha_i) \boldsymbol{x}'(\alpha_i)\right]}{\sqrt{|\boldsymbol{C}(r, s, \alpha_i)|}}, \quad (9)$$

where

$$\mathbf{x}' = \frac{[Q, U](v) - \sum_{i} \alpha_i(v)[Q, U](v_i^{\text{template}})}{1 - \sum_{i} \alpha_i(v)}$$
(10)

is a template-cleaned map. This is a generalization of Equation (6) for a multi-component case. In this paper, *i* takes on "S" and "D" for synchrotron and dust, respectively, unless noted otherwise. For definiteness, we shall choose

$$v = 100 \,\text{GHz},$$

 $v_{\text{S}}^{\text{template}} = 60 \,\text{GHz},$
 $v_{\text{D}}^{\text{template}} = 240 \,\text{GHz}.$

$$\mathcal{L}(r, s, \alpha_i) \propto \frac{\exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}\boldsymbol{x}'(\alpha_i)^T \boldsymbol{C}^{-1}(r, s, \alpha_i) \boldsymbol{x}'(\alpha_i)\right]}{\sqrt{|\boldsymbol{C}(r, s, \alpha_i)|}}$$

 Since we cannot invert the covariance matrix when the number of pixels is too large, we focus on lowresolution Q and U maps with 3072 pixels per map [N_{side}=16; 3.7-degree pixel]

We target the reionisation bump



Two Masks and Choice of Regions for Synch. Index



Method II

Method I

Katayama & Komatsu, ApJ, 737, 78 (2011) **Results** [3 frequency bands: 60, 100, 240 GHz]

10⁻¹

r_{recoverd} from Cleaning

Dust only

 $r_{recovered} = r_{input} + 0.0000$

 $r_{recovered} = r_{input} + 0.0018$

 $r_{recovered} = r_{input} + 0.0006$

10⁻²

 r_{input}

Dust and Synchrotron (Method I)

Dust and Synchrotron (Method II)

10⁻¹

10⁻²

10⁻³

10-4

10⁻³

 $r_{recoverd}$

- It works well!
- Method I: the bias is $\delta r = 2 \times 10^{-3}$
- Method II: the bias is $\delta r = 0.6 \times 10^{-3}$
- This analysis needs to be re-done with the dust spectral index from Planck]

Toward precision measurement of B-modes

- r~10⁻³ seems totally possible, even in the presence of synchrotron and dust emissions
- What experiment can we design to achieve this measurement?

LiteBIRD

- Next-generation polarisation-sensitive microwave experiment. Target launch date: early 2020
- Led by Prof. Masashi Hazumi (KEK); a collaboration of ~70 scientists in Japan, USA, Canada, and Germany
- Singular goal: measurement of the primordial Bmode power spectrum with Err[r]=0.001
- 6 frequency bands between 50 and 320 GHz

LiteBIRD

Lite (Light) Satellite for the Studies of B-mode Polarization and Inflation from Cosmic Background Radiation Detection

- Candidate for JAXA's future missions on "fundamental physics"
- Goal: Search for primordial gravitational waves to the lower bound of well-motivated inflationary models
- Full success: δr < 0.001 (δr is the total uncertainties on tensor-to-scalar ratio, which is a fundamental cosmology parameter related to the power of primordial gravitational waves)



LiteBIRD working group

✤ 68 members (as of Nov. 21, 2013)





LiteBIRD proposal milestones

- 2012 October 2014 March Feasibility studies & cost estimation with MELCO and NEC
- 2013 April 2014 April Review and recommendation from Science Council of Japan
- late 2014 White Paper (will be published in *Progress of Theoretical and Experimental Physics (PTEP)*
- 2014 June December Proposal and Mission Definition Review (MDR)
- 2015 ~ Phase A

Conclusion

- Important milestones for inflation have been achieved: n_s<1 with 5σ; remarkable Gaussianity
- The next goal: unambiguous measurement of the primordial B-mode polarisation power spectrum
 - A note on the WMAP/Planck–BICEP2 tension: anti-correlated isocurvature does not help
- Err[n_t]~0.01 possible only with substantial de-lensing
- Neutrino damping observable if r~0.1 and de-lensing
- Foreground cleaning with the simplest internal template method is promising, limiting the bias in r to <10⁻³
- LiteBIRD proposal: a B-mode CMB polarisation satellite in early 2020