Topic: Methods

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Designing future CMB Experiments Workshop



Foregrounds versus systematics

- For Planck, the most difficult problem was not to remove synchrotron or thermal dust, but to disentangle instrumental systematics from foregrounds
 - The calibration process is "disturbed" by the presence of foregrounds
 - To calibrate the instrument, one needs to know what the sky is, but in order to know what the sky is, one needs well calibrated data
- Should assume that the same will be true for any future experiment as well
 - If one is lucky, and the systematics are low, then that is good, but one shouldn't count on it
- If that is the case, one will need a detailed and realistic astrophysical model, not only Taylor-expansion approximations
 - For a true polarimeter-based experiment, this requires only estimation of synchrotron and thermal dust (and possibly polarized AME++) => moderate frequency range
 - For total-power experiments, one needs to decompose the temperature sky also into freefree, AME, <u>CIB</u>, <u>zodi</u> etc... => widest possible frequency range allowed by budget/power/focal plane

From Wednesday's foreground session

Parametric fitting

- Parametric fitting is often implemented through Bayesian methods
- Assume that the data may be written as the sum of signal and noise,

$$\mathbf{d}_{\nu} = \mathbf{s}_{\nu} + \mathbf{n}_{\nu}$$

where the signal may be written on the following form



The posterior distribution reads
 Likelihood

$$P(\theta|\mathbf{d}) = \frac{P(\mathbf{d}|\theta)P(\theta)}{P(\mathbf{d})} \propto \mathcal{L}(\theta)P(\theta) - Prior$$

• If the noise is very nearly Gaussian distributed, then the likelihood is given by $\mathcal{L}(\mathbf{a}_i, \beta_i, g_\nu, \mathbf{m}_\nu, \Delta_\nu) \propto e^{-\frac{1}{2}\sum_{\nu} [\mathbf{d}_{\nu} - \mathbf{s}_{\nu}(\theta)]^t \mathbf{N}^{-1} [\mathbf{d}_{\nu} - \mathbf{s}_{\nu}(\theta)]}$

Gibbs sampling

- The posterior contains millions of correlated and non-Gaussian parameters. How is it possible to map out this distribution?
- Answer: Gibbs sampling
 - Rather than sampling from or maximizing the full joint distribution, iterate over conditionals
- We apply this to our problem in terms of the following Gibbs chain:

$$\mathbf{a}_{i} \leftarrow P(\mathbf{a}_{i}|\beta_{i}, g_{\nu}, \mathbf{m}_{\nu}, \Delta_{\nu}, C_{\ell})$$

$$\beta_{i} \leftarrow P(\beta_{i}|\mathbf{a}_{i}, g_{\nu}, \mathbf{m}_{\nu}, \Delta_{\nu}, C_{\ell})$$

$$g_{\nu} \leftarrow P(g\nu|\mathbf{a}_{i}, \beta_{i}, \mathbf{m}_{\nu}, \Delta_{\nu}, C_{\ell})$$

$$\mathbf{m}_{\nu} \leftarrow P(m_{\nu}|\mathbf{a}_{i}, \beta_{i}, g_{\nu}, \Delta_{\nu}, C_{\ell})$$

$$\Delta\nu \leftarrow P(\Delta_{\nu}|\mathbf{a}_{i}, \beta_{i}, g_{\nu}, \mathbf{m}_{\nu}, C_{\ell})$$

$$C_{\ell} \leftarrow P(C_{\ell}|\mathbf{a}_{i}, \beta_{i}, g_{\nu}, \mathbf{m}_{\nu}, \Delta_{\nu})$$



Gibbs sampling for future experiments

- It is easy to fit for astrophysical foreground parameters with ideal sky maps without systematics
- The difficult part is to account simultaneously for foregrounds and instrumental effects
 - Bandpass mismatch, calibration, ADC correction etc.
- In practice, one has to iterate between low-level TOD processing and map making and high-level component separation
 - Done by LFI, HFI and NPIPE in latest Planck processing
- Ideal solution: Build one big Gibbs sampler including both low- and high-level data processing ("time-domain Gibbs sampling")
 - No need for human interaction between different processing steps

Classic linear analysis pipeline



Iterative analysis pipeline



Iterative analysis pipeline



'Out-of-the-box' discussion topics

- Analysis of spectra vs maps vs timestreams
- Uncertainties through Gibbs sampling vs from simulations
- Separate low-I and high-I analysis vs joint
- Parameters directly from maps/TODs vs likelihood