Planck polarisation status and small scales





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Planck polarisation measurements

• Planck polarimetry

- Planck detectors are sensitive to linear polarisation

$$s = \frac{1}{2} \Big[(1+\epsilon) \mathcal{I} + (1-\epsilon) \Big(\mathcal{Q} \cos(2\psi) + \mathcal{U} \sin(2\psi) \Big) \Big]$$

- Planck uses combination of orthogonal detectors to get Q and U :



polarisation is challenging

- any differential calibration error between pairs of detectors causes leakage of total intensity into the polarization maps (such as gain calibration error or different spectral transmissions),
- the response of each detector to polarization is difficult to calibrate (due to the lack of celestial standard sources),
- the amplitude of the **polarized CMB signal is low**

polarised intensity maps







PLANCK polarised maps are dominated by foreground emissions from 30 to 353 GHz

noise level in polarisation

preliminary



LFI and HFI noise (half-ring half difference) WMAP noise (DA half-difference)

Planck systematics for polarisation

Leakage from intensity to polarisation

due to Planck scanning strategy, we need to combine detector measurements to reconstruct (I,Q,U) maps. Any differential calibration between pairs of detectors induces leakage from total intensity into the polarization maps :

- gain variation	large scales
 bandpass mismatch 	large scales
 calibration mismatch 	large scales

• Other systematics

other systematics for polarisation are already sub-dominant

- Far Side Lobes	large scales
- noise correlation	small/large scales
 polarisation angle and polarisation efficiency 	small scales
- beam mismatch	small scales

Planck systematics for polarisation



systematics are dominant over CMB signal at large scales

[Planck 2013 results. VI. High Frequency Instrument data processing]

Interstellar Dust polarisation emissions

for Galactic studies at high frequency (353GHz), signal-to-noise ratio is much higher and thus Planck is less sensitive to systematics



[cf. Planck Collaboration talks (by F. Boulanger & J. Aumont)]

Planck polarised CMB results (Small Scales Teaser)



• Principle

- adiabatic scalar fluctuations predict a specific polarization pattern around CMB temperature extrema (so called cold and hot spots)
- **profile of spots** in the temperature extrema radial frame $Q_r(\theta)$ and $U_r(\theta)$ is derived from the statistics of peaks of Gaussian random fields with spectra C_{ℓ}^{TE} and C_{ℓ}^{TB}

Method

- we detect minima and maxima in the Planck CMB temperature map for different resolutions :
 2, 1 and 0.5 degree
 for 0.5°, on 71% of the sky : 11396 cold spots and 10468 hot spots consistent with the ΛCDM Planck model prediction (11073 spots)
- we produce a polarized ILC map, using channels between 70 and 353 GHz
- we stack 4°×4° square maps for I, Q and U around each spot
- Q and U stacked maps are then rotated in the temperature extrema radial frame $Q_r(\theta)$ and $U_r(\theta)$ [Kamionkowski et al. 1997]

Standard Model

temperature hot spots correspond to potential wells (i.e., over-dense regions) at the surface of last scattering; therefore, matter flows towards these hot spots:

- at the acoustic scale ($\theta_A \equiv r_s/d_A \approx 0.6^\circ$), the flow is decelerating due to the central photon pressure, which creates a **tangential pattern**
- at twice the acoustic scale (~1.2°), the flow of matter is accelerating due to gravity, which creates a **radial polarization pattern**

Q U 0.4 0.4 2 2 2 120 100 0.2 0.2 1 1 1 80 0 60 0 0.0 0 0.0 40 -1 -1 -1 -0.2 -0.2 20 0 -2 -0.4 -0.4 -2 -2 2 2 2 -2 -1 -2 -2 0 -1 1 0 -1 0 1 1 Qr Ur 0.4 2 0.4 2 0.4 0.2 0.2 0.2 1 1 0.0 0.0 0.0 0 0 -0.2 -1 -1 -0.2 -0.2 -0.4 -0.4 -0.4 -2 $0.0 \quad 0.5 \quad 1.0 \quad 1.5 \quad 2.0 \quad 2.5$ -2 -2 2 2 -1 1 -1 0 0

resolution 2 deg



resolution 0.5 deg



97 σ detection (10 σ for WMAP)

TE CMB power spectra



impressive consistency with the Planck best-fit model based only on temperature (Planck+WP+HighL)

EE CMB power spectra



impressive consistency with the Planck best-fit model based only on temperature (Planck+WP+HighL)

Planck polarisation in 2013 release

- the sensitivity and accuracy of Planck's polarized maps is already well beyond that of any previous survey in this frequency range
- some systematic effects are not yet resolved at a level satisfactory for cosmological analysis at large angular scales (I <100)

polarization is not delivered in the 2013 release

BUT

- at small angular scales systematic effects are sub-dominant and uncertainties are dominated by residual detector noise.
 CMB polarization is being measured by Planck with unprecedented sensitivity at angular scales smaller than a few degrees.
- thanks to higher signal-to-noise ratio, Planck data allow new scientific investigations of diffuse Galactic polarized emissions and the magnetic fields that induce them

The scientific results that we present today are a product of the Planck Collaboration, including individuals from more than 100 scientific institutes in Europe, the USA and Canada



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