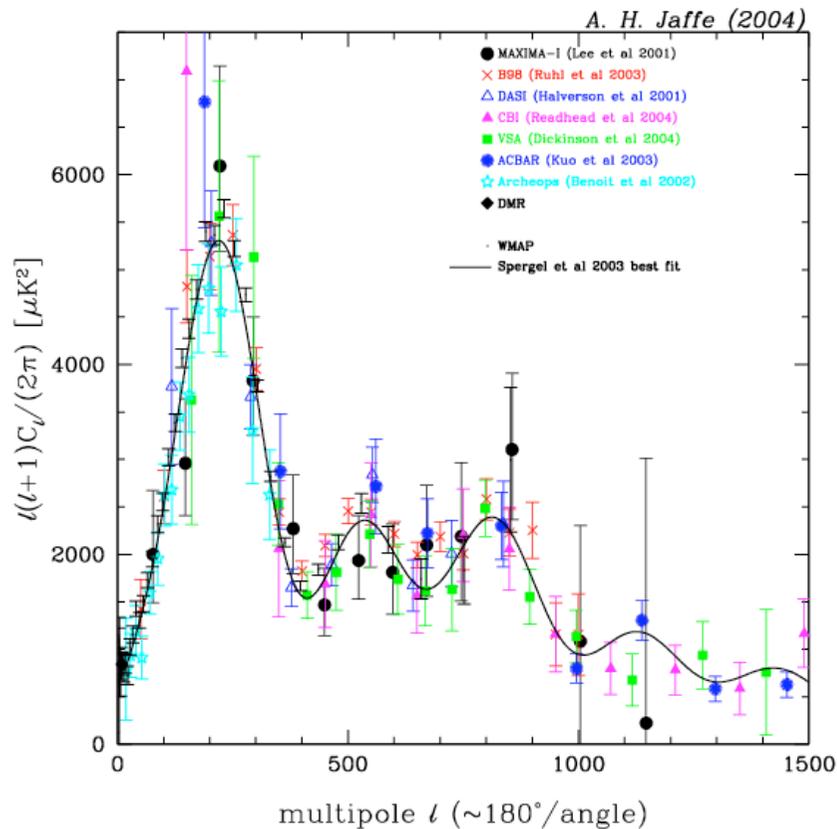


Estimating the power spectrum of the CMB

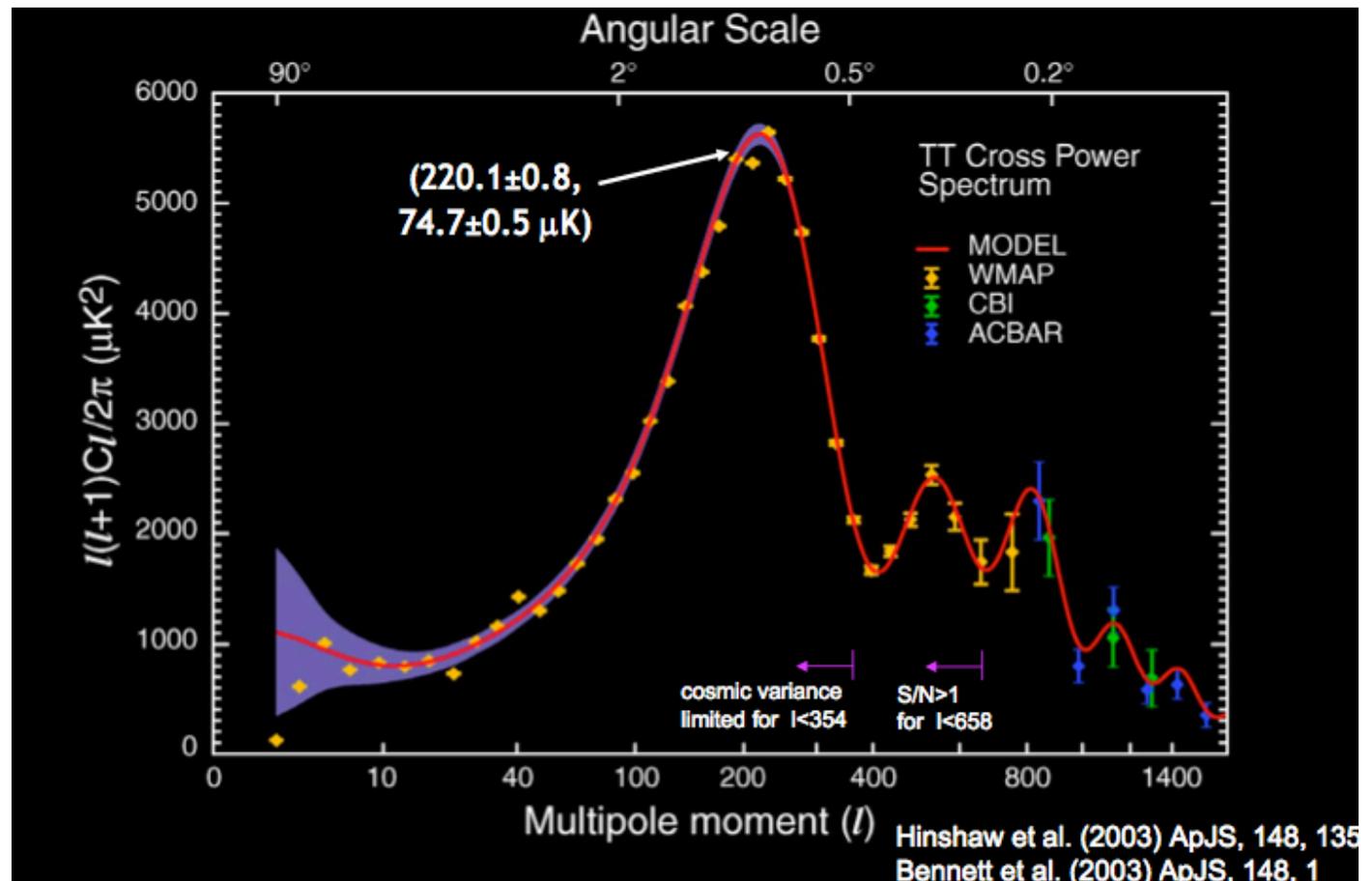
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XX IAP:
CMB Physics & Observation



Estimating the Power Spectrum of the CMB

- ❑ Philosophy — What is C_l ?
 - ❑ Bayesian/Frequentist
- ❑ History
- ❑ Practice
 - ❑ — Methods
- ❑ Future?



What is C_l ?

□ Sky average

$$\frac{1}{2l+1} \sum_{\ell} |a_{\ell m}|^2$$

□ “Ergodic” (cosmic) average

$$\left\langle |a_{\ell m}|^2 \right\rangle$$

□ Variance of a Gaussian distribution

□ Variance of some other distribution

CMB Data

□ data = signal + noise

□ $d_p = s_p + n_p$ (p =pixel number), correlations:

$$\langle s_p s_{p'} \rangle = S_{pp'} = \sum_{\ell} \frac{2\ell + 1}{4\pi} B_{\ell}^2 C_{\ell} \quad (\text{scanning temperature experiments})$$

$$\langle n_p n_{p'} \rangle = N_{pp'}$$

□ Polarization: $S_{pp'}$ is linear combination of $C_l^{XX'}$

□ Task: measure C_l (or bandpowers — Bond)
**and preserve *all* sky information for
parameter estimation**

Probability distributions

- Likelihood function $P(d_p | C_l N_{pp}, I)$
 - probability density of data data given signal and noise variances (& information I)
- Frequentist:
 - underlying physical mechanism responsible for “long-run” frequency distribution of data
- Bayesian:
 - encodes information I (which may be that same physical mechanism)
- e.g., Gaussian Signal + Noise:

$$P(d | SNI) = \frac{1}{|2\pi(S + N)|^{1/2}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} d^T (S + N)^{-1} d\right]$$

Frequentist methods

□ Devise an “estimator” $E_l[d]$ such that $E_l[d] \sim (\text{input } C_l)$

□ e.g., unbiased:

$$\langle E_\ell \rangle \equiv \int d^n d_p E_\ell[d] P(d_p | C_\ell N_{pp}, I) = C_\ell$$

□ depends on likelihood **as function of varying data for fixed (fiducial) C_l**

□ in practice, “quadratic estimators”

□ $E_l[d] = Q_l[d] = d^T Q_l d - b_l$

□ $\langle d^T Q_l d \rangle = \text{Tr}[(S+N)Q_l] = \sum C_l M_{ll} F_l B_l^2 + b_l$ in simple Gaussian case

Frequentist Methods (II)

- ❑ Quadratic form:
 - ❑ $E_l[d] = Q_l[d] = d^T Q_l d - b_l$
 - ❑ $\langle d^T Q_l d \rangle = \text{Tr}[(S+N)Q_l] = \sum C_l M_{ll} F_l B_l^2 + b_l$ in simple Gaussian case
- ❑ estimate is $E_l[d] \pm \sigma_l[d]$
 - ❑ with σ_l from diagonal elements of $V_{ll'}[d] = \langle E_l E_{l'} \rangle - \langle E_l \rangle \langle E_{l'} \rangle$
- ❑ How do we use $E_l \pm \sigma_l$ for parameter estimation?
 - ❑ full frequentist parameter estimation hard/ill-defined (Abroe et al, Schaefer & Stark)

Bayesian methods

- ❑ Characterize likelihood function $P(d_p | C_l N_{pp}, I)$ as **function of C_l for fixed (observed) data.**
- ❑ depends on *use* of estimate:
 - ❑ for actual “ C_l estimate”:
 - ❑ assign prior $P(C_l|I)$, use Bayes’s theorem:
$$P(C_l|dNI) = \frac{P(C_l|I)P(d|C_lNI)}{P(d|NI)}$$
 - ❑ report, e.g., mean, variance
 - ❑ for further parameter estimation, need full shape of $L(C_l) = P(d_p|C_lNI)$ for use in Bayes’s theorem estimation of parameters
 - ❑ C_l prior doesn’t enter — “hierarchical model”

Probabilities and Entropy

- Bayesian: probabilities are primarily about **information**, and only secondarily about **frequency**
 - How do we assign a distribution based on our information?
- **Entropy** — maximize subject to constraints
 - **Gaussian** has maximum entropy for given covariance
 - **Uncorrelated Gaussian** has maximum entropy for given variances (diagonal elements, σ_i^2)
 - e.g., σ_i^2 is marginalized variance irresp. of off-diag terms
 - Gaussianity is conservative choice!

Bayesian methods: hierarchical models

- Timestream (d_t)
 - ⇒ Map ($T_p \sim d_p$)
 - ⇒ Spectrum ($C_l \sim d_l$)
 - ⇒ cosmology
- without loss of information?
- $P(\text{Cosmology} | d_t, N_{tt'}) = P(\text{Cosmology} | d_p, N_{pp'})$
 $\approx P(\text{Cosmology} | d_l, N_{ll'}, x_l)$
- assume that we can calculate $P(\text{Cosmology} | d_l, N_{ll'}, x_l)$ even from non-Bayes estimators

nb. Wiener filter from $P(d_p | C_l)$

- e.g., post hoc polzn separation, prediction

Bayesian/Frequentist Correspondance

- ❑ Why do both methods seem to work?
- ❑ frequentist mean \sim likelihood maximum
- ❑ frequentist variance \sim likelihood curvature
- ❑ Correspondance is *exact* for
 - ❑ linear gaussian models (mapmaking)
 - ❑ variance estimation with no correlations and “iid” noise — simple version of C_l problem
 - ❑ e.g., all sky, uniform noise
 - ❑ likelihood only function of d_{lm}^2
 - ❑ breaks down in realistic case of correlations, finite sky, varying noise
 - ❑ “asymptotic limit”
 - ❑ \sim high l iff noise correlations not “too strong”

Expected errors

□ Knox 95, Hobson & Magueijo 96

$$(\delta C_\ell)^2 \cong \frac{2}{(2\ell + 1) f_{\text{sky}}} (C_\ell + N_\ell)^2 \quad N_\ell \approx w^{-1} = (\theta_p \sigma_p)^{-2}$$

of modes

Sample
Variance

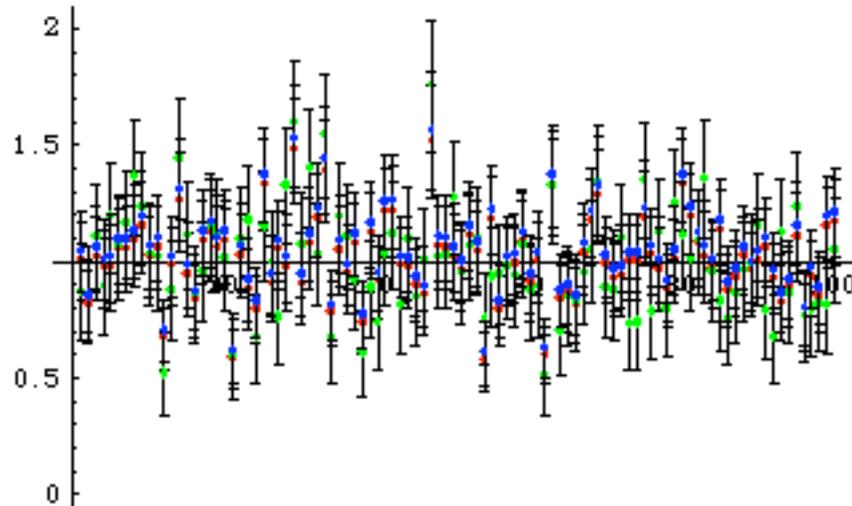
Noise variance
 $\sim (\text{weight per sr})^{-1}$

Case study

- Toy version of a single l ($m = -l, \dots, +l$)
 - $d_m = a_m + n_m$ $\langle a_m a_{m'} \rangle = C \delta_{mm'}$, $\langle n_m n_{m'} \rangle = N_{mm'}$
- Naïve Quadratic estimator $Q = \sum_m |d_m|^2 - b$
- Likelihood Maximum, curvature
- Posterior mean, variance
[with “Jefferys Prior” $P(C|I) \propto 1/C$]

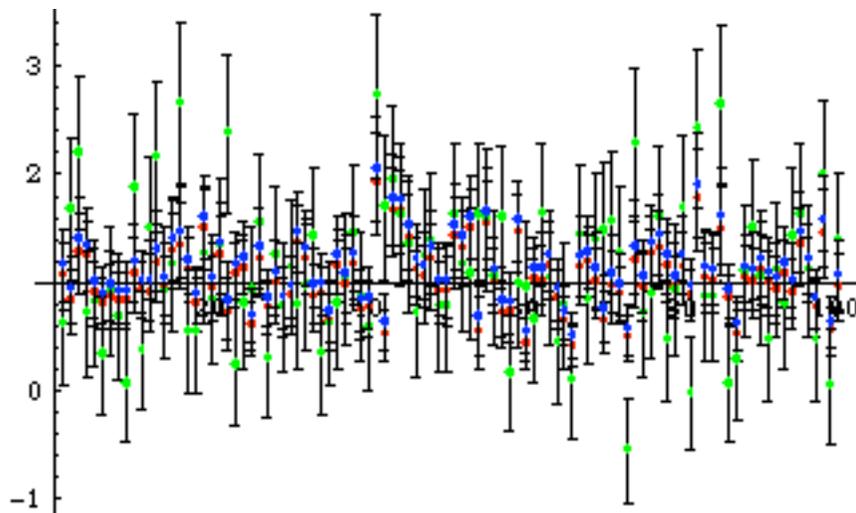
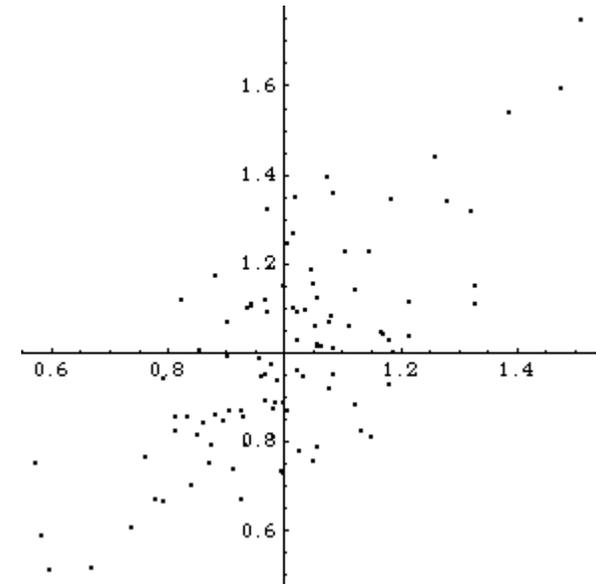
toy model — inhomogeneous noise

Signal Variance

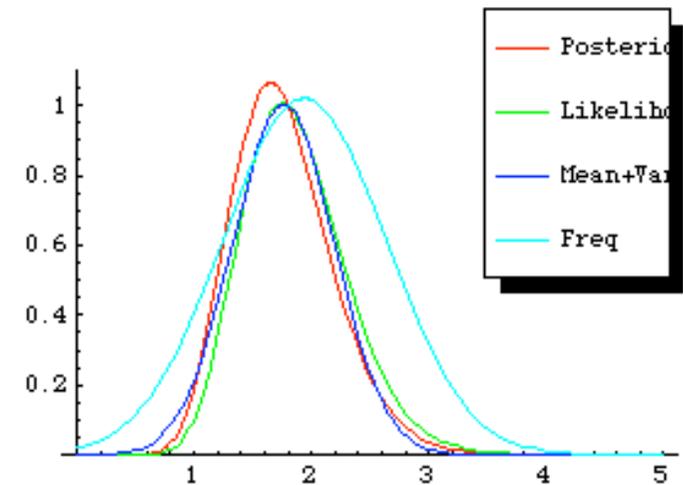


inhomogeneous noise
 $l \sim 150$

- ML
- Freq
- Bayes

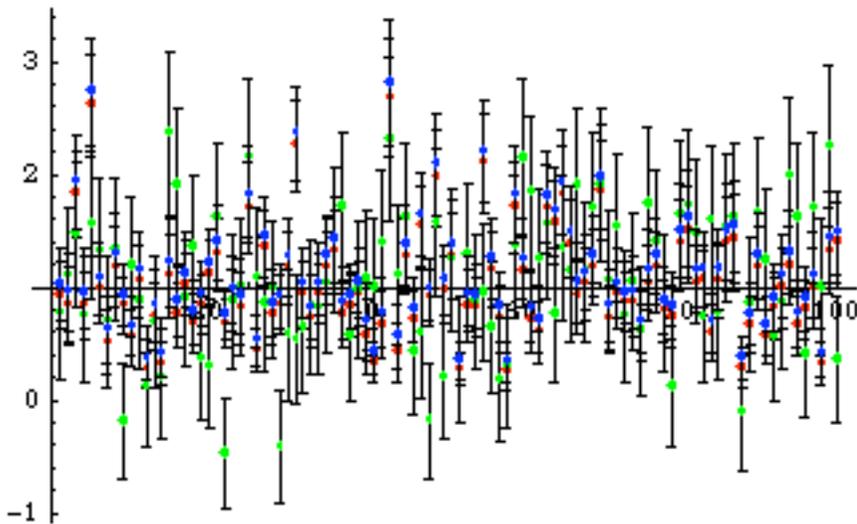


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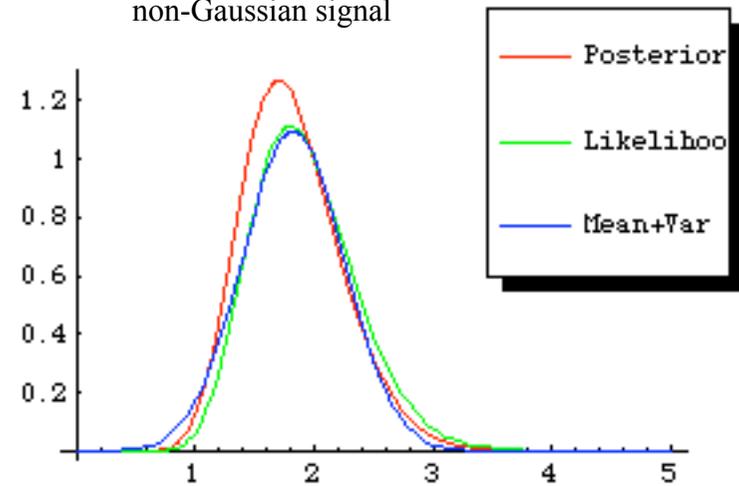
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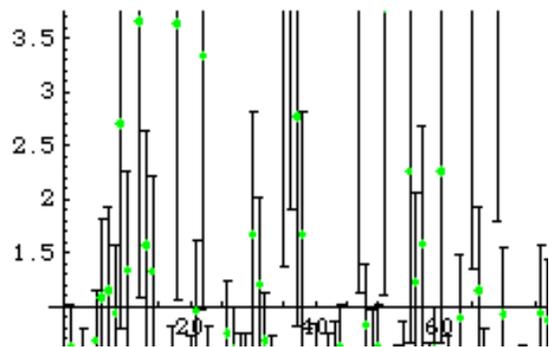


low noise

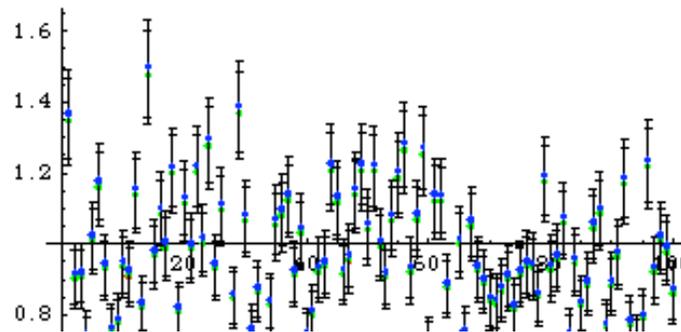
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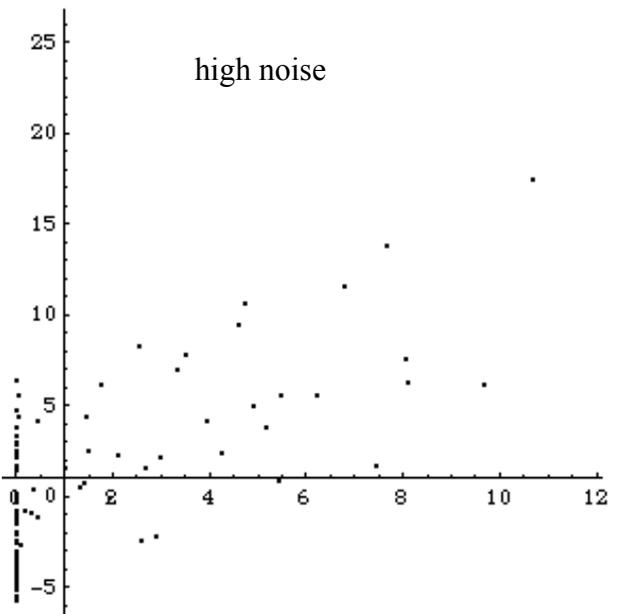
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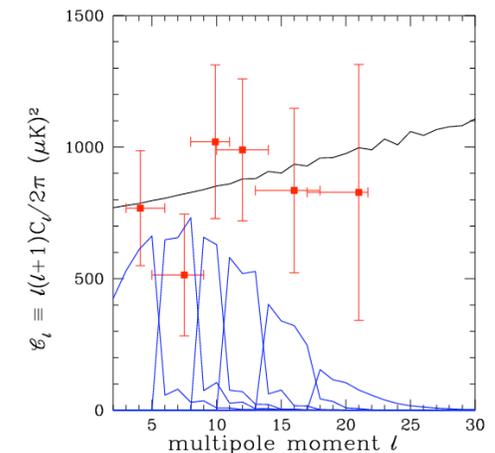


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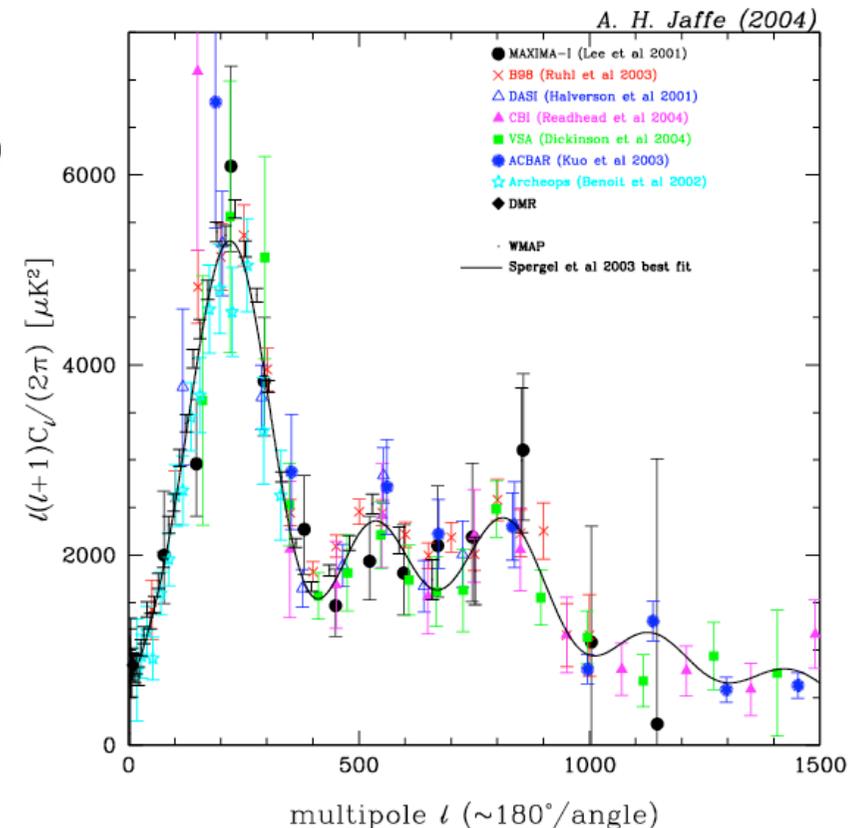
History

- ❑ Galaxy surveys — correlation functions [e.g., Peebles], $P(k)$ [e.g., Feldman, Kaiser & Peacock]
- ❑ DMR
 - ❑ $C(\theta)$ estimation; Boughn-Cottingham; $(Q_{\text{rms-PS},n})$
 - ❑ Likelihoods
 - ❑ Seljak & Bertschinger
 - ❑ Tegmark & Bunn
 - ❑ Bond — forecasts, likelihoods and esp. “bandpowers”
 - ❑ Gorski
- ❑ CMB upper limits (GACF — Gaussian autocorrelation function); first post-DMR experiments
 - ❑ Bandpowers: e.g., Crittenden, Bond et al (SP); Netterfield (SK)
 - ❑ param. forecasts — Jungman et al; Bond, Efstathiou, Tegmark



“Modern” methods

- ❑ “Optimal Quadratic” (Tegmark)
- ❑ Newton-Raphson Iteration to Likelihood Max
= Iterated optimal quadratic [BJK 98]
 - ❑ MADCAP (Borrill &c)
 - ❑ Interferometers
(e.g. VSA: Maisinger, Hobson, et al)
- ❑ OSH — Monte Carlo methods
- ❑ pseudo- C_l methods
 - ❑ MASTER
 - ❑ Gabor transforms
- ❑ SPICE
- ❑ WMAP



Bayesian methods: MADCAP/MADspec

- (quasi-)Newton-Raphson iteration to Likelihood maximum

- Algorithm driven by matrix manipulation (iterated quadratic):

$$\delta C_\ell = \frac{1}{2} F_w^{-1} \text{Tr} \left[\left(dd^T - C \right) \left(C^{-1} \frac{\partial C}{\partial C_\ell} C^{-1} \right) \right]$$

$$F_w = \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \left[C^{-1} \frac{\partial C}{\partial C_\ell} C^{-1} \frac{\partial C}{\partial C_\ell} \right] \quad \text{Fisher matrix}$$

$$C = S + N$$

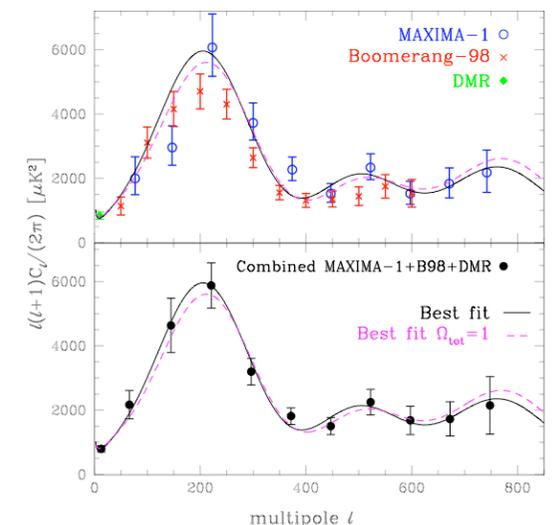
- Fisher = approx. Likelihood curvature
- full polarization: signal matrix $S^{xx'}_{pp}$
- Arbitrary (precomputed) noise spectrum
- Arbitrary linear filters

- Stompor et al; Jaffe et al; Slosar et al

- $O(N^3)$ operations naïvely (matrix manipulations), speedup to $\sim O(N^2)$ for spectrum estimates (potentially large prefactor)

- Fully parallelized (MPI, SCALAPACK)
 - do calculations in the natural basis
 - no explicit need for full N_{pp} , matrix in pixel basis (just noise spectrum or autocorrelation)

- e.g., MAXIMA, BOOMERANG



BJK 98

Monte Carlo methods: MASTER, SPICE &c

- ❑ MASTER: quadratic pseudo- C_l estimate

$$d_{\ell m} = \sum_p d_p w_p \Omega_p Y_{\ell m}(\hat{x}_p)$$
$$\hat{C}_\ell = \frac{1}{2\ell+1} \sum_m |d_{\ell m}|^2$$
$$\langle d_{\ell m} d_{\ell' m'} \rangle = \sum_\ell C_\ell M_{\ell\ell'} F_\ell B_\ell^2 + N_\ell$$

(Hivon et al)
e.g., B98

takes advantage of fast SHT

- ❑ SPICE: transform of correlation function estimate

(Szapudi et al; Fosalba talk)

- ❑ Gabor transform: (apodized) quadratic
+ pseudo-ML for inverting Kernel

(Hansen et al)

- ❑ Issues: filters, weights, noise estimation/iteration, input maps — optimal or naïve?

Hybrid Methods: FASTER

- Key insight: MASTER covariance formalism allows calculation of diagonal part of pseudo- a_{lm} covariance — use for likelihood maximization

- (nb. this has maximum entropy and so is conservative!)

- *Diagonal* likelihood:

$$P(d_{\ell m} | C_{\ell} I) = \frac{1}{\left[2\pi \langle \hat{C}_{\ell} + N_{\ell} \rangle\right]^{1/2}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2} \frac{|d_{\ell m}|^2}{\langle \hat{C}_{\ell} + N_{\ell} \rangle}\right]$$

- MC evaluation of means;
- Newton-Raphson iteration towards maximum
- Easy calculation of Likelihood shape parameters

B98, CBI; Contaldi et al

(related suggestions from Delabrouille et al)

WMAP: Cross-correlations

- Take advantage of uncorrelated noise between different detectors

$$\langle d_p^1 d_{p'}^2 \rangle = \langle (s_p^1 + n_p^1)(s_{p'}^2 + n_{p'}^2) \rangle = S_{pp'}^{12} + \cancel{N_{pp'}^{12}} = S_{pp'}$$

Monte Carlo method — without need for noise bias removal

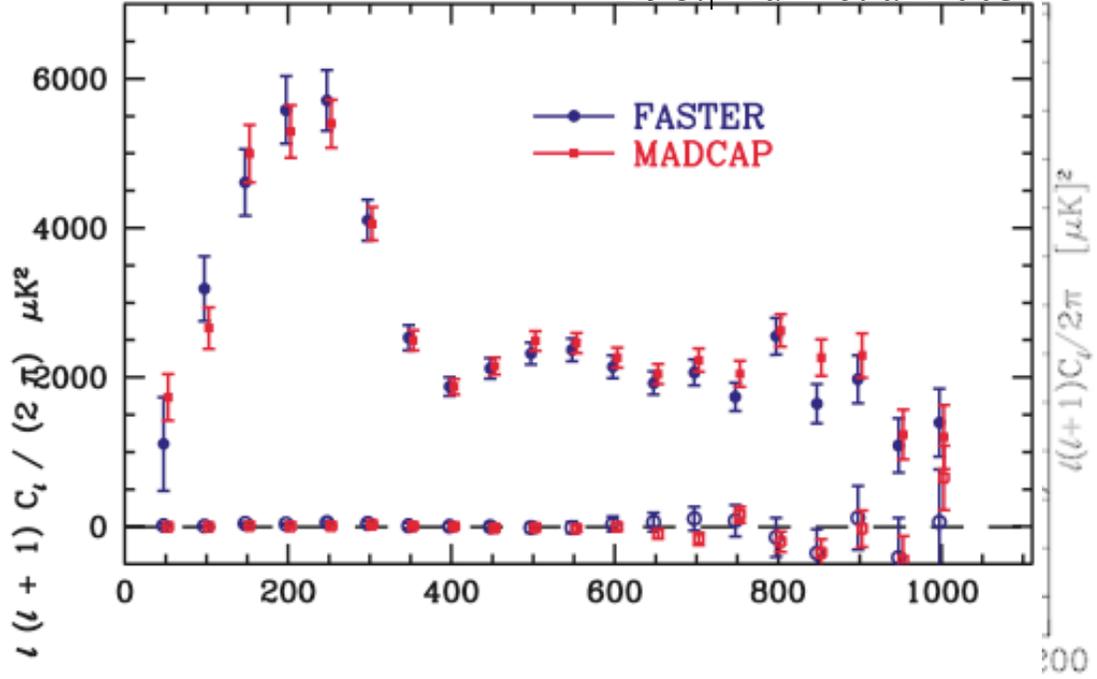
- (also Archeops—XSPECT; Polenta et al)

Method Miscellanea

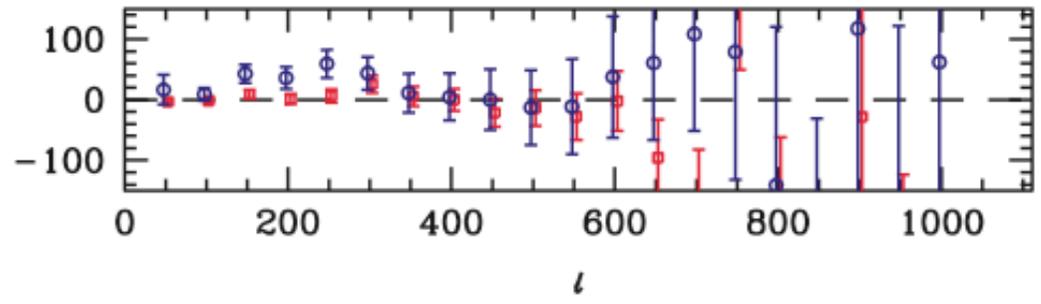
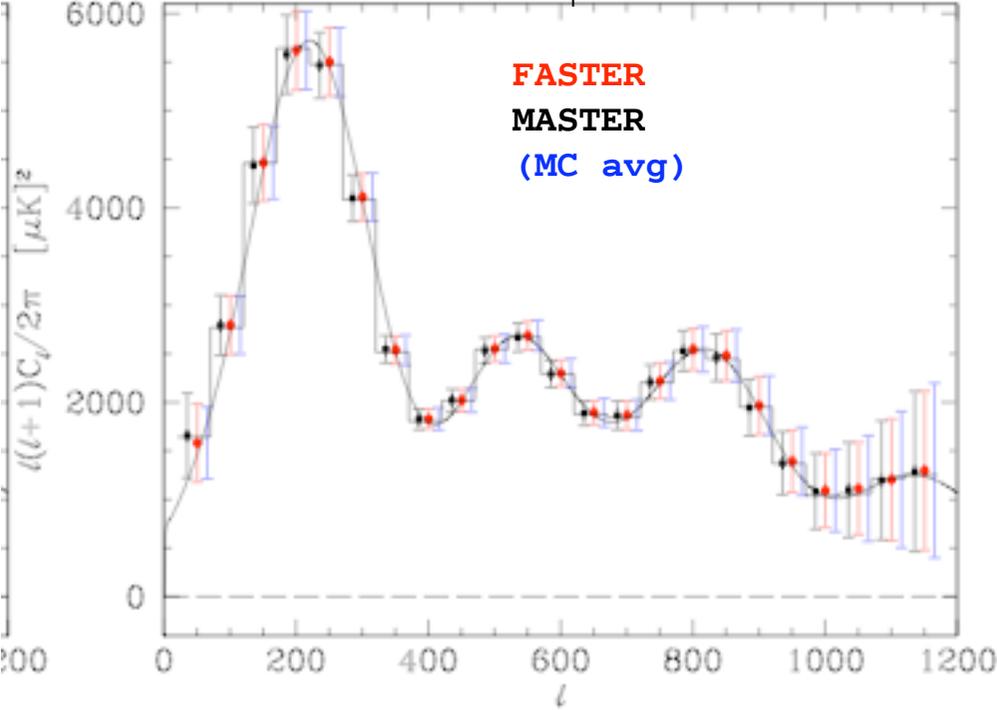
- Efstathiou: Bayes/Frequentist discrepancy potentially largest at low l — Bayes for low l , MC for high l
- Knox/Dore/Peel — hierarchical quadratic estimator
- Ring/Harmonic Methods
 - Wandelt et al — full pseudo- C_l likelihood
 - Challinor, van Leeuwen et al
- MCMC search for C_l (Wandelt)

Comparisons

B98:| Ruhl et al 2003



FASTER:| Contaldi et al 2004



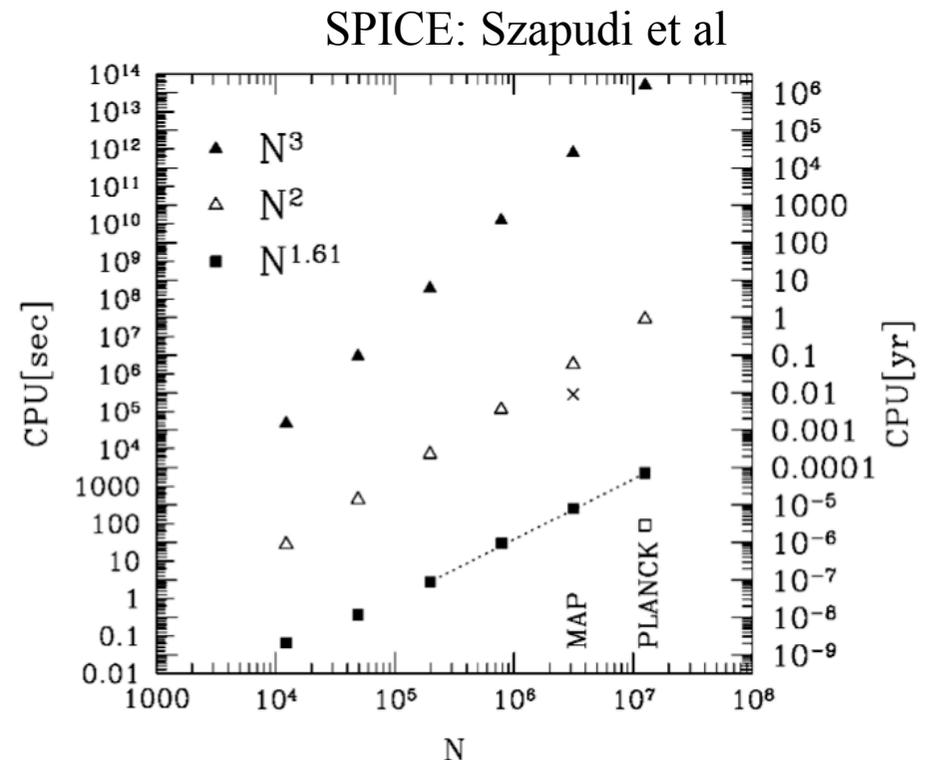
Timing and efficiency

time

- optimal/bayes: N_p^3
- monte carlo: $N^{1.5}$
- prefactors: N_{MC} , N_{bin} , ...

Space

- TOI: 50 GB/yr @200Hz
- maps: 384 Mb @ $N_{side}=2048$
- noise matrix: $N^2/2$ entries
~9 petabytes @ $N_{side}=2048$



resource management will
become an issue even for
cheapest methods

Polarization

Formally the same problem:

- $d_p \Rightarrow (i, q, u)_p = d_{i,p} = d_q$

- $\langle d_q d_{q'} \rangle = N_{qq'} + S_{qq'}$

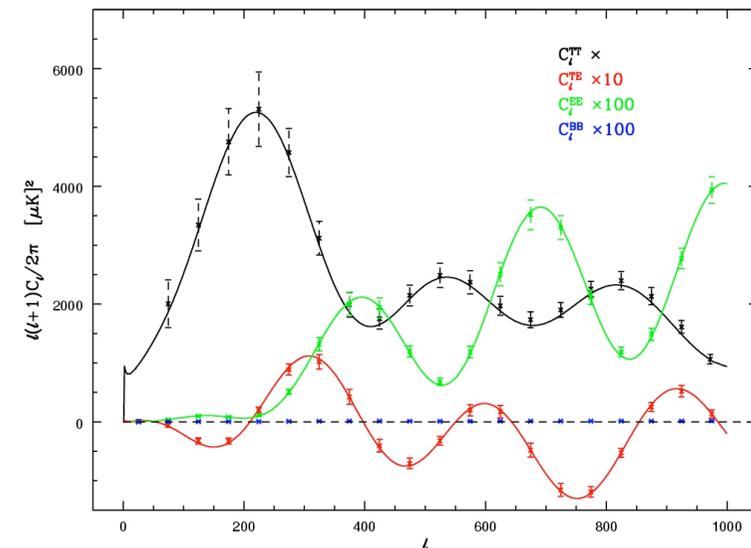
- low S/N, large systematics

- complicated correlations:

- $N_{qq'}$: pixel differences

- $S_{qq'} = S_{qq'}^{ij}$: linearly dependent on all of $C_l^{XX'}$ ($X=T, E, B$)

- e.g., Seljak, Zaldarriaga; Kamionkowski, Kosowsky, Stebbins; &c.



E/B leakage (= T/E/B correlation)

- in principle, don't need extra separation step if full correlations/distributions is known

- in practice, E/B characteristics impose specific correlation structure — easier to “separate”

- e.g., Lewis talk — separate at map or C_l ?

- Wiener filter for map from C_l .

Interferometers

- ~Direct measurement of binned spherical harmonic components
 - great simplification: noise and signal correlations simple in the same basis
- CAT: bandpower likelihoods
- DASI, Hobson & Masinger/VSA: Likelihood/Bayesian methods

Parameter estimation from C_l

□ $P(d\theta|I) = P(dC_l|\theta)$ [Bayes]

□ explore w/ grids or MCMC
(Knox et al; CosmoMC;
Dunkley et al; WMAP)

□ no freq. alternative?

□ shape of likelihood $L(C_l)$.

□ BJK 00 &c: offset lognormal
distribution/eq. var. approx.

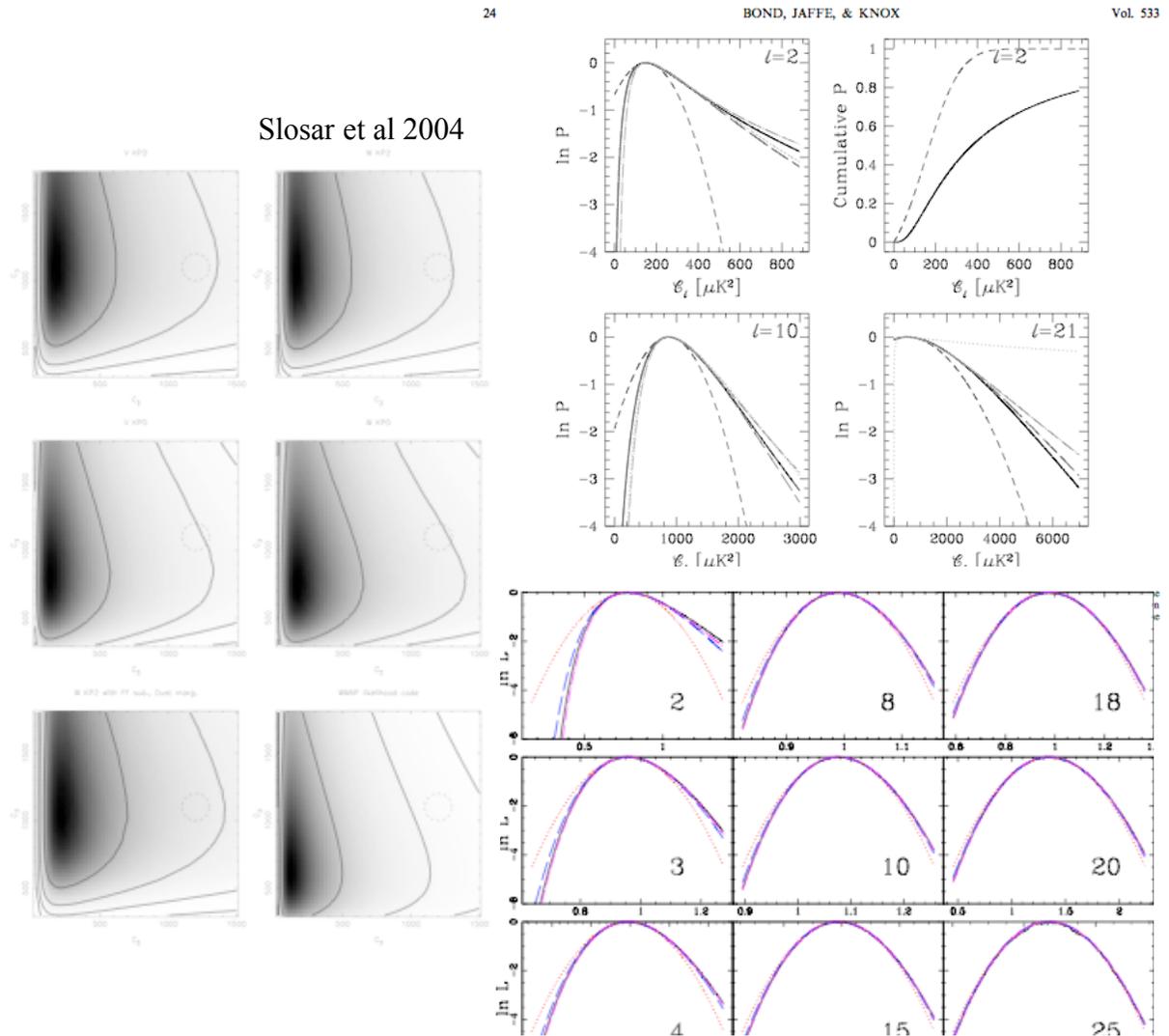
□ WMAP approx — but e.g.,
Slosar et al

□ Potentially breaks down

□ in tails (should be power
law $\sim 1/C_n$)

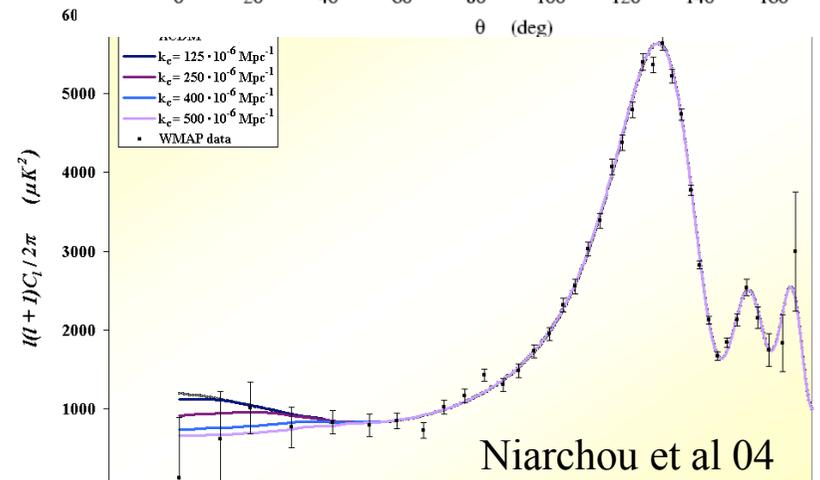
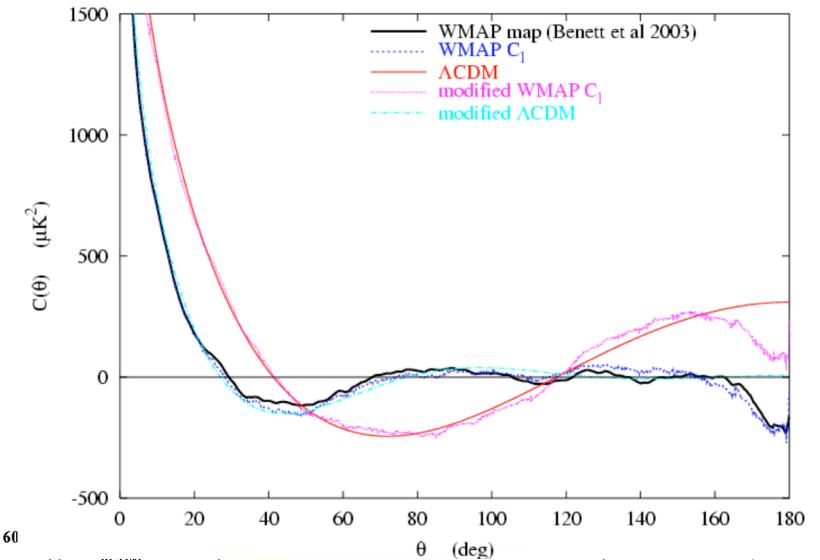
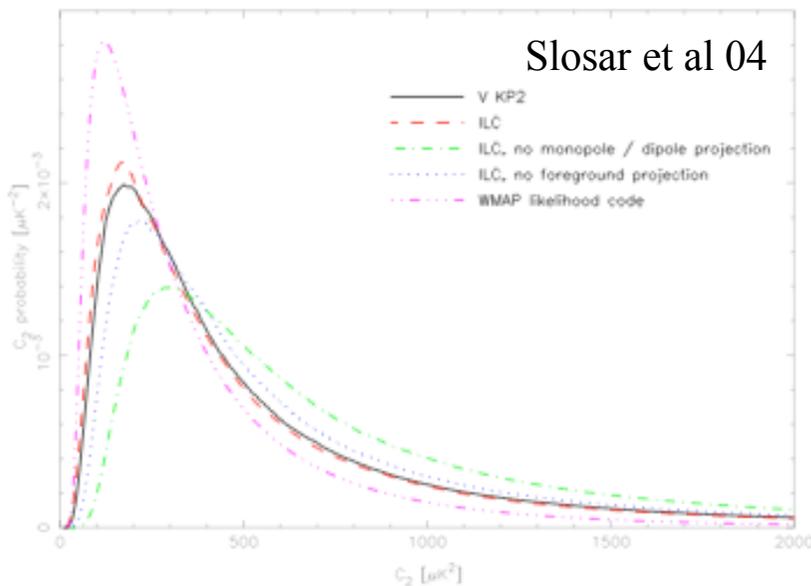
□ in presence of
correlations

□ Bandpowers: window & filter fns
(Knox)



The WMAP quadrupole

- ❑ $l=2,3$: only 2.7σ (Bayes model comparison; see Liddle talk)
- ❑ quadrupole, octopole alignment?
- ❑ other “anomalies”
- ❑ $l \sim 25$; first peak; C_7^{TE}



The future of C_l

- ❑ Extensions:
 - ❑ C_l does assume *isotropy*
- ❑ Propagating noise
 - timestream \Rightarrow maps $\Rightarrow C_l \Rightarrow$ cosmology
 - ❑ statistics and systematics
 - ❑ MADCAP: use $N(t-t')$; Stompor & White; Ashdown et al: rings (Planck)
- ❑ Asymmetric beams/beam errors
- ❑ Combining results — after the fact or before
- ❑ Noise estimation and errors
- ❑ Details: likelihood shape; window functions; beam/calibration error,...

Conclusions

- ❑ a dozen methods out there
 - ❑ Bayes/freq, Monte Carlo, correlation function, apodization, ...
 - ❑ all approximations to 'optimal' Bayesian method
 - ❑ all agree (in simple cases)
- ❑ for Precision Cosmology
 - ❑ compare with exact/optimal in more complicated cases
 - ❑ requires wider tests & comparisons — correlations, non-Gaussianity, etc.