#### Translating observed (Q,U)-maps to B-mode power spectrum and scientific results ----- Constructing the optimal estimators



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#### B-modes are not observables

- For the linear polarized photon fields, the observables are Q-map and Umap in 2-d sphere.
- Unfortunately, they are NOT scalar fields.
- In general, we deal with them as follows:  $P_{\pm}(\hat{\gamma}) \equiv Q(\hat{\gamma}) \pm iU(\hat{\gamma}) = \sum_{\ell m} a_{\pm 2,\ell m} \pm 2Y_{\ell m}(\hat{\gamma}),$
- The scalar B-mode are defined as (similar for E-mode):

$$B_{\ell m} \equiv -\frac{1}{2i} \begin{bmatrix} a_{2,\ell m} - a_{-2,\ell m} \end{bmatrix} \quad B(\hat{\gamma}) \equiv \sum_{\ell m} B_{\ell m} Y_{\ell m}(\hat{\gamma}). \quad C_{\ell}^{BB} \equiv \frac{1}{2\ell + 1} \sum_{m} \langle B_{\ell m} B_{\ell m}^{*} \rangle,$$

In full-sky case, the best-unbiased estimators are given by

$$\hat{C}_{\ell}^{BB} = \frac{1}{2\ell+1} \sum_{m=-\ell}^{\ell} B_{\ell m} B_{\ell m}^{*}, \quad \langle \Delta \hat{C}_{\ell}^{BB} \Delta \hat{C}_{\ell'}^{BB} \rangle = \frac{2\delta_{\ell\ell'}}{2\ell+1} (C_{\ell}^{BB})^{2},$$

#### QML estimator based on (Q,U)-maps

 In (Tegmark & Oliveira-Costa, 2001), Tegmark extended the Quadratic Maximal Likelihood (QML) method in T-map to the polarization case, which are defined as follows:

 $\mathbf{x} \equiv (\mathbf{\Delta T}, \mathbf{Q}, \mathbf{U}).$ 

The optimal QML power spectrum estimate is (TdO01)

$$y_{\ell}^{r} = x_{i}x_{j}E_{ij}^{r\ell}, \qquad r \equiv (T, X, E, B),$$

where the matrices  $E^{r\ell}$  are given by

 $E^{r\ell} = \frac{1}{2} C^{-1} \frac{\partial C}{\partial C_{\ell}^r} C^{-1},$ 

and C is the covariance matrix of the data vector  $\mathbf{x}$ ,

 $C_{ij} = \langle x_i x_j \rangle = \begin{pmatrix} C^{TT} & C^{TQ} & C^{TU} \\ C^{QT} & C^{QQ} & C^{QU} \\ C^{UT} & C^{UQ} & C^{UU} \end{pmatrix}.$ 

$$\begin{split} \langle y_{\ell}^{r} \rangle &= \dot{F}_{\ell\ell'}^{sr} C_{\ell'}^{s}, \\ \text{where} \\ \dot{F}_{\ell\ell'}^{sr} &= \frac{1}{2} \text{Tr} \left[ \frac{\partial C}{\partial C_{\ell'}^{s}} C^{-1} \frac{\partial C}{\partial C_{\ell}^{r}} \dot{C}^{-1} \right]. \end{split}$$

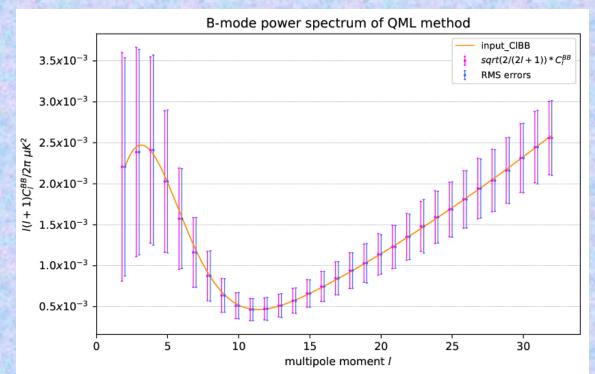
$$\langle y_{\ell}^{r} y_{\ell'}^{s} \rangle - \langle y_{\ell}^{r} \rangle \langle y_{\ell'}^{s} \rangle \equiv F_{\ell\ell'}^{rs} = 2 \mathrm{Tr} \left[ C E^{r\ell} C E^{s\ell'} \right],$$

#### The authors proved that they are the best(minimal error bars) one.

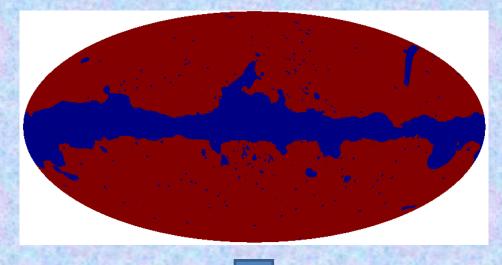
$$\hat{C}_{\ell}^{r} = \dot{F}^{-1}y. \qquad \langle \Delta \hat{C}_{\ell} \Delta \hat{C}_{\ell'} \rangle = \check{F}^{-1}.$$

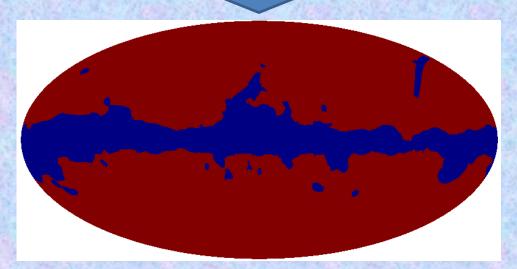
#### QML estimator based on (Q,U)-maps

- For polarization, it includes the inversion and multiplication of (2N<sub>d</sub>)X(2N<sub>d</sub>) matrices, so it require an operations with order of (2N<sub>d</sub>)<sup>3</sup>.
- In the ideal case, we consider the full-sky case, noise-free, Imax=32, Nside=16 in simulations. We recover the results of cosmic variance limit.



# QML estimator in Planck mask



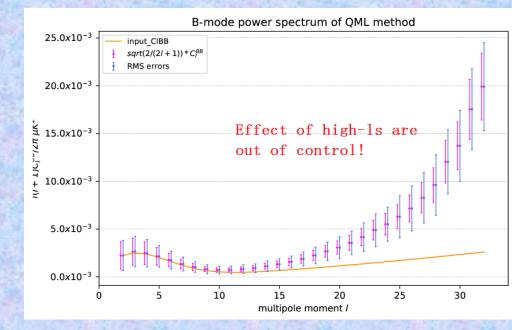


## QML estimator in Planck mask

- First: Comparing with ideal case, we should degrade the high-resolution map to the low-resolution map.
- In principle, which may cause E-B mixture. But, by simulation, we find this mixture is negligible.
- Second: In practice, in masked sky, the multiple mixture is quite very important, since in this method, the mixture occurs between:

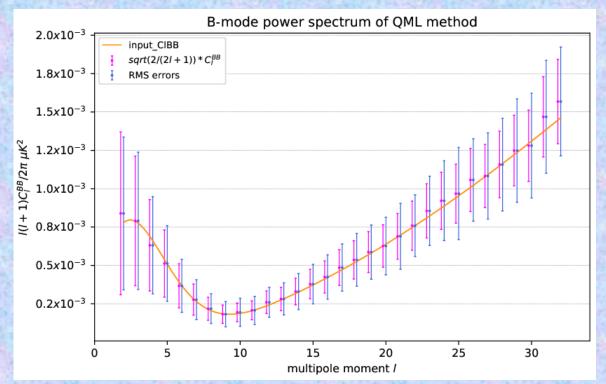
$$1^4 C_1^{\text{EE (BB)}} \Leftrightarrow 1'^4 C_{1'}^{\text{EE (BB)}}$$

Very Blue Spectrum !!!



## QML estimator in Planck mask

- To reduce it, we should smooth the map in advance, and then apply to QML method.
- The smoothing scale should be chosen carefully.



## E-B separation and Pure B-mode

- B-mode is not the local quantity, so E-B mixture exists in general.
- To remove E-B mixture, we can consider another definition of E-, B-mode polarization as follows [Zhao & Baskaran, 2010]:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}(\hat{\gamma}) &\equiv -\frac{1}{2} \left[ \bar{\eth}_1 \bar{\eth}_2 P_+(\hat{\gamma}) + \eth_1 \eth_2 P_-(\hat{\gamma}) \right], \\ \mathcal{B}(\hat{\gamma}) &\equiv -\frac{1}{2i} \left[ \bar{\eth}_1 \bar{\eth}_2 P_+(\hat{\gamma}) - \eth_1 \eth_2 P_-(\hat{\gamma}) \right], \end{aligned}$$

which relates to the general B-mode by  $B_{\ell m} = N_{\ell}B_{\ell m}$ .  $N_{\ell} \equiv \sqrt{(\ell+2)!/(\ell-2)!}$ 

• In practice, the masked map can be constructed as follows, which is a scalar field, and free from E-B leakage,

$$\mathcal{B}(\hat{\gamma})W(\hat{\gamma}) = \sum_{\ell m} \tilde{\mathcal{B}}_{\ell m} Y_{\ell m}(\hat{\gamma}),$$

where [Smith & Zaldarriaga (SZ), 2007]:

$$\tilde{B}_{\ell m} = \frac{i}{2} \int d\hat{\gamma} P(\hat{\gamma}) \left[ W(\hat{\gamma})({}_{2}Y^{*}_{\ell m}(\hat{\gamma})) + \frac{2W^{*}_{1}(\hat{\gamma})({}_{1}Y^{*}_{\ell m}(\hat{\gamma}(\hat{\gamma})))}{\sqrt{(\ell-1)(\ell+2)}} + \frac{W^{*}_{2}(\hat{\gamma})Y^{*}_{\ell m}}{\sqrt{(\ell-1)\ell(\ell+1)(\ell+2)}} \right] + \text{c.c.}$$

# "QML+SZ" estimator

 The constructed B-mode map is a scalar field. Thus, the QML estimator in the Tempmap can be directly applied here, which is given by:

$$\hat{C}_{\ell}^{BB} = N_{\ell}^{-2} \hat{C}_{\ell}^{\mathcal{BB}} = N_{\ell}^{-2} \sum_{\ell'} (F^{-1})_{\ell\ell'} y_{\ell'}$$

$$F_{\ell\ell'} = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{Tr} \left[ C^{-1} \frac{\partial C}{\partial C_{\ell}^{\mathcal{BB}}} C^{-1} \frac{\partial C}{\partial C_{\ell'}^{\mathcal{BB}}} \right].$$

$$y_{\ell} = \sum_{i,j=1}^{N_{\text{pix}}} \mathcal{B}_{i} \mathcal{B}_{j} \Theta_{ij}^{\ell}, \ \Theta_{ij}^{\ell} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k,k'} (C^{-1})_{ij} \frac{\partial C_{kk'}}{\partial C_{\ell}^{\mathcal{BB}}} (C^{-1})_{k'j}$$

• The covariance matrix is given by:

$$\langle \Delta \hat{C}_{\ell}^{BB} \Delta \hat{C}_{\ell'}^{BB} \rangle = N_{\ell}^{-4} \langle \Delta \hat{C}_{\ell}^{\mathcal{BB}} \Delta \hat{C}_{\ell'}^{\mathcal{BB}} \rangle = N_{\ell}^{-4} (F^{-1})_{\ell\ell'}$$

which is the Cramer-Rao bound.

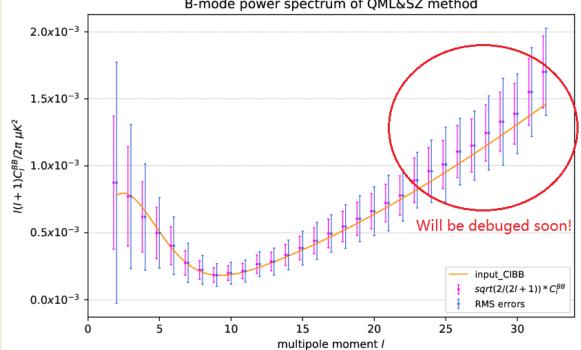
 It includes the inversion and multiplication of N<sub>d</sub>XN<sub>d</sub> matrices, so it require an operations with order of N<sub>d</sub><sup>3</sup>, which is "one order" smaller than the traditional QML.

#### "QML+SZ" estimator in Planck mask

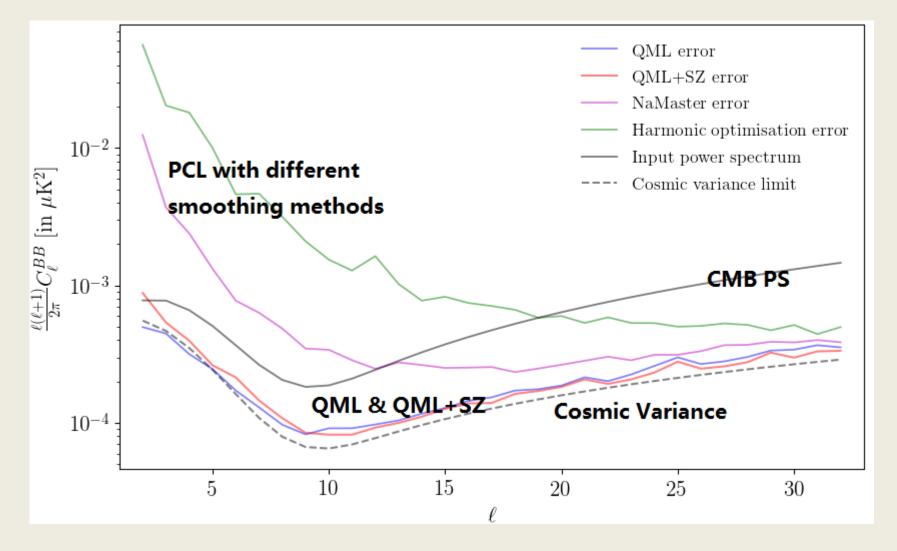
• Similarly, we should smooth the constructed B-map in advance to reduce the effect of high-ls. The mixture occurs between:

1<sup>4</sup> C<sub>1</sub><sup>BB</sup> ⇔ 1 ' <sup>4</sup> C<sub>1</sub><sup>BB</sup> Very Blue Spectrum !!!

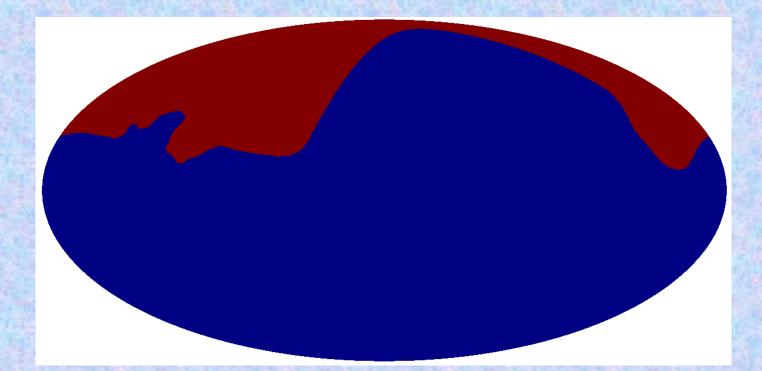
 By simulation, we properly choose the smoothing method and obtain the results:
 B-mode power spectrum of QML&SZ method



# **Comparison of different estimators**

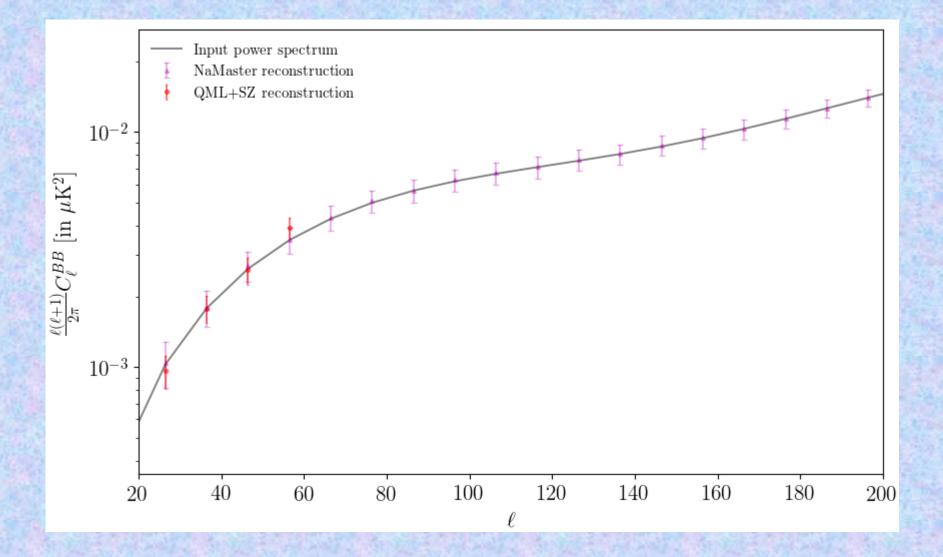


### Applying to AliCPT mask



#### "fsky=0.1", QML or QML+SZ can be applied for "I<128"

# Applying to AliCPT mask



### Work Plans

- Extend QML methods to the cases with inhomogeneous noise.
- QML (low-l) + PCL (high-l) → Hybrid estimators for BB, EB, TB [Efstathiou, 2003, 2006], and apply to AliCPT.
- Develop the hybrid estimator based on the optimal B-map [Hao Liu, 2018, 2019], which is suspected to be free from the heavy leakage from high-ls to low-ls. Real B map Corrupted B map Fixed B map (2)



