

CMB Bispectrum from Magnetic Fields - Passive Mode

(Non-Gaussianity from Primordial Cosmic Magnetic Fields)

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Overview

- ▶ Found a $10^6 \times$ stronger CMB bispectrum sourced by cosmic primordial magnetic fields (than earlier calculated)
- ▶ Order-of-magnitude better limits on primordial \vec{B} from CMB non-Gaussianity
- ▶ The magnetic f_{NL} is appreciable & interesting, given current constraints

Why is **CMB Non-Gaussianity** from Cosmic **Magnetic Fields** Important?

NG from Inflationary models:

Small fluctuations in the field
(linear order)



Gaussian statistics for Fluctuation



Gaussian statistics for CMB
Temperature Anisotropy
at lowest order

Primordial CMB non-Gaussianity
only from **higher order** effects

NG from Magnetic Fields:

Magnetic energy densities &
stresses inherently quadratic in \vec{B}
field: $\rho_B, \Pi_B \propto |\vec{B}|^2$



Even for a purely Gaussian \vec{B} field,
magnetic stresses non-Gaussian



Non-Gaussianity in \vec{B} field induced
CMB anisotropy

Magnetic CMB non-Gaussianity
from \vec{B} **even** at **lowest order**

Primordial Cosmic Magnetic Field - Motivation

- ▶ Magnetic fields are ubiquitous out to large scales > 10 kpc

μ Gauss \vec{B} observed in galaxies: both coherent & stochastic

\vec{B} growth via either dynamo amplification or flux freezing

→ a seed \vec{B} field is required

These seed fields may be of primordial origin

- ▶ Evidence for equally strong \vec{B} in high redshift ($z \sim 2$) galaxies

Enough time for dynamo to act? [Bernet et al. 08, Kronberg et al. 08]

- ▶ Recent FERMI/LAT observations of γ -ray halos around AGN

Detection of intergalactic $\vec{B} \approx 10^{-15}$ G [Ando & Kusenko 10]

Lower limit: $\vec{B} \geq 10^{-16}$ G on intergalactic \vec{B} [Neronov & Vovk, *Science* 10]

No compelling mechanism yet for origin of strong primordial \vec{B} fields

[e.g. Martin & Yokoyama 08]

Properties of Assumed Cosmic Magnetic Field

Homogeneous cosmic \vec{B} fields: v strict limits from CMB quadrupole, anisotropic homogenous model.

- ▶ Magnetic Field: Stochastic. Statistically homogeneous and isotropic.
- ▶ Assumed to be a Gaussian Random Field. Statistical properties of \vec{B} specified completely by 2-point correlation function.
- ▶ Magnetic field \rightarrow velocity field
On scales $> L_G$ (galactic scales): velocities small enough that the magnetic fields do not change.

$$\vec{B}(\vec{x}, t) = \frac{\vec{b}_0(\vec{x})}{a^2(t)}$$

Statistical & Spectra of the Magnetic Field

Field: Non helical, Gaussian and spectrum specified by

$$\langle b_i(\vec{k}) b_j^*(\vec{q}) \rangle = (2\pi)^3 \delta(\vec{k} - \vec{q}) P_{ij}(\vec{k}) M(k)$$

→ Completely determined by $M(k)$

$P_{ij}(\vec{k}) = (\delta_{ij} - k_i k_j / k^2)$ is the projection operator that ensures $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{b}_0 = 0$

$$\langle \vec{b}_0 \cdot \vec{b}_0 \rangle = 2 \int \frac{dk}{k} \Delta_b^2(k) \text{ with } \Delta_b^2 = k^3 M(k) / 2\pi^2$$

Form of $M(k)$:

$M(k) = Ak^n$ with a cutoff at

Alfven wave damping scale

Fixing A: In terms of variance, B_0 ,
of Magnetic Field at $k_G = 1 \text{ hMpc}^{-1}$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta_b^2(k) = \frac{B_0^2}{2} (n+3) \left(\frac{k}{k_G} \right)^{n+3}$$

Magnetic CMB Bispectrum - Energy Density (Compensated Mode)

[T. R. Seshadri & K. Subramanian, PRL 09]

- ▶ First calculation of magnetic CMB bispectrum
- ▶ $\frac{\Delta T}{T}$ sourced by magnetic energy density

$$\vec{\Omega}_B(\vec{k}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int d^3q b_i(\vec{k} - \vec{q}) b_i^*(\vec{q}) / (8\pi\rho_0)$$

$$\frac{\Delta T(\hat{n})}{T} \sim 0.03 \Omega_B(\vec{x}_0 - \hat{n}D^*)$$

- ▶ Reduced bispectrum $l_1(l_1 + 1)l_3(l_3 + 1)b_{l_1 l_2 l_3} \sim 10^{-22}$ for $B_0 \sim 3\text{nG}$ and scale-invariant magnetic field spectrum.
- ▶ This is a new type of non-Gaussianity in the CMB
- ▶ This is a new probe of primordial magnetic fields.
- ▶ \vec{B} bispectrum + WMAP5 $f_{NL} \rightarrow$ upper limits on $B_0 \sim 35\text{nG}$. Expected to improve significantly when vector and tensor modes also to be included.

[also Caprini et al. 09, Cai et al 10, Brown 10]

Now Consider Scalar Anisotropic Stress from \vec{B}

- ▶ Magnetic stress tensor

$$T_j^i(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{4\pi a^4} \left(\frac{1}{2} b_0^2(\mathbf{x}) \delta_j^i - b_0^i(\mathbf{x}) b_{0j}(\mathbf{x}) \right)$$

- ▶ in Fourier space

$$S_j^i(\mathbf{k}) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^3} \int b^i(\mathbf{q}) b_j(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{q}) d^3 \mathbf{q}$$

$$T_j^i(\mathbf{k}) = \frac{1}{4\pi a^4} \left(\frac{1}{2} S_\alpha^\alpha(\mathbf{k}) \delta_j^i - S_j^i(\mathbf{k}) \right).$$

- ▶ Magnetic perturbations to $T_j^i(\mathbf{k})$

$$T_j^i(\mathbf{k}) = p_\gamma \left(\Delta_B(\mathbf{k}) \delta_j^i + \Pi_{Bj}^i(\mathbf{k}) \right)$$

Scalar Anisotropic Stress \rightarrow Passive Mode

- ▶ Assume \vec{B} stresses small compared to total ρ , Π of photons + baryons

linear perturbations

scalar, vector, tensor evolve independently

we focus on the scalar part of Π_{Bj}^i

as a source of CMB non-Gaussianity

- ▶ Scalar Anisotropic perturbations $\Pi_B(\mathbf{k})$ given by projection operator

$$\Pi_B(\mathbf{k}) = -\frac{3}{2} \left(\hat{k}_i \hat{k}_j - \frac{1}{3} \delta_{ij} \right) \Pi_B^{ij}$$

- ▶ Neutrinos: also develop scalar anisotropic stress after decoupling
- ▶ Prior to neutrino decoupling, $\Pi_B(\mathbf{k})$ only source
- ▶ After neutrino decoupling, $\Pi_\nu(\mathbf{k})$ also contributes with equal magnitude and opposite sign: rapid compensation

[Lewis 04]

Magnetic anisotropic stress $\Pi_B(\mathbf{k})$ has effect only till neutrino decoupling

Passive Mode Curvature Perturbation

- ▶ After neutrino decoupling there are two types of scalar perturbation modes
- ▶ Compensated mode (studied earlier)

- ▶ **Passive mode**

[J. R. Shaw & A. Lewis, PRD 10]

$$\zeta = \zeta(\tau_B) - \frac{1}{3} R_\gamma \Pi_B \left[\ln \left(\frac{\tau_\nu}{\tau_B} \right) + \left(\frac{5}{8R_\nu} - 1 \right) \right].$$

grown logarithmically from \vec{B} generation at τ_B to ν -decoupling at τ_ν

adiabatic-like passive evolution after ν -decoupling

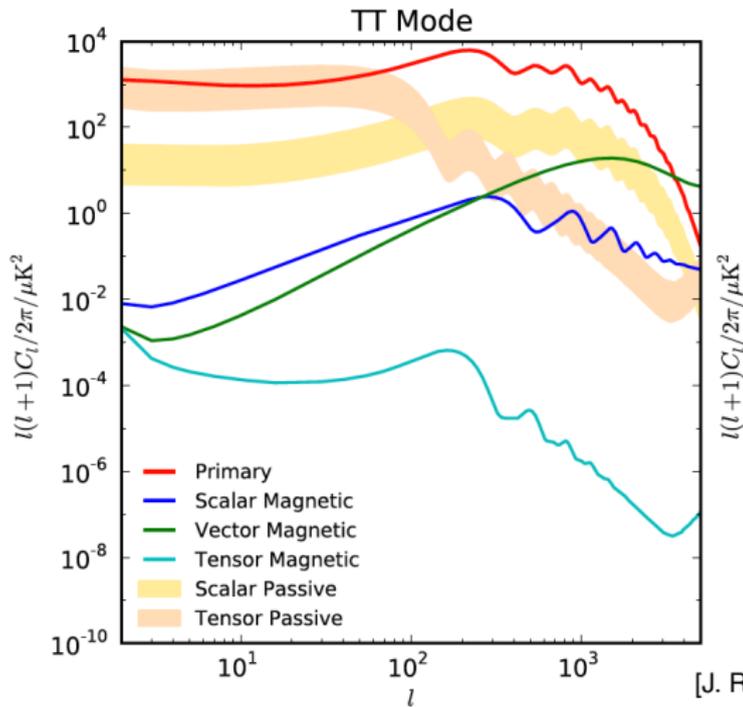
non-Gaussian statistics (unlike primordial adiabatic perturbations)

- ▶ For range τ_B corresponding to temperature range from $T_B \approx 10^{14}$ GeV (inflationary) to $T_B \approx 10^3$ GeV (electroweak)

$$\ln \left(\frac{\tau_\nu}{\tau_B} \right) > 10$$

$$\zeta \simeq -\frac{1}{3} R_\gamma \Pi_B \ln \left(\frac{\tau_\nu}{\tau_B} \right)$$

Passive Mode Power Spectra



[J. R. Shaw & A. Lewis, PRD 10]



CMB Bispectrum **Results** for Magnetic Passive Mode

- ▶ $l_1(l_1 + 1)l_3(l_3 + 1)b_{l_1 l_2 l_3} \approx 10^{-16}$ or $\times 10^6$ stronger than compensated mode

$$n_B = -2.8, 3 \text{ nG field, } \tau_B \approx 10^{14} \text{ GeV}$$

- ▶ Squeezed Collinear full evaluation:

$$l_1(l_1 + 1)l_3(l_3 + 1)b_{l_1 l_2 l_3} \approx -1.4 \times 10^{-16}$$

using WMAP7 $-10 < f_{NL}$ get upper limit $B_0 < 2nG$

- ▶ General configuration approximate evaluation:

$$l_1(l_1 + 1)l_3(l_3 + 1)b_{l_1 l_2 l_3} \approx 6 - 9 \times 10^{-16}$$

using WMAP7 $f_{NL} < 74$ get upper limit $B_0 < 3nG$

- ▶ Inflationary bispectrum with $f_{NL} \sim 1$ is $l_1(l_1 + 1)l_3(l_3 + 1)b_{l_1 l_2 l_3} \approx 10^{-18}$
- ▶ CAVEAT: only Sachs-Wolfe
- ▶ CAVEAT: τ_B dependence: But little change $B_0 < 2 - 4nG$

Conclusions

- ▶ Cosmological magnetic fields an interesting possibility: CMB NG unique probe
- ▶ First bispectrum calculation of \vec{B} CMB magnetic anisotropy (for $B_0 \sim 3$ nG) > primordial bispectrum ($f_{NL} \sim 1$) [greater by $\times 100$]
- ▶ 10 times stronger B_0 limit of 2 nG from bispectrum
- ▶ The magnetic f_{NL}^B is at an interesting level right now $f_{NL}^B \sim 20 \left(\frac{B-9}{2} \right)$
caveat - $f_{NL}^B \propto B^6$
but NG effects calculated are getting stronger even as B_0 upper limit falling