STATISTICS OF GALACTIC SYNCHROTRON AND DUST FOREGROUNDS: SPECTRA, PDFS AND HIGHER-ORDER MOMENTS

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ABSTRACT

We present statistical analysis of diffuse Galactic synchrotron emission and polarized thermal emission from dust. Both Galactic synchrotron emission and polarized thermal emission from dust reflect statistics of magnetic field fluctuations and, therefore, Galactic turbulence. We mainly focus on the relation between observed angular spectra and underlying turbulence statistics. Our major findings are as follows. First, we find that magnetohydrodynamic (MHD) turbulence in the Galaxy can explain diffuse synchrotron emission from high galactic latitude. Our model calculation suggests that either a one-component extended halo model or a two-component model, an extended halo component (scale height $\gtrsim 1kpc$) plus a local component, can explain the observed angular spectrum of the synchrotron emission. However, discrete sources seem to dominate the spectrum for regions near the Galactic plane. Second, we study how star-light polarization is related with polarized emission from thermal dust. We also discuss the expected angular spectrum of polarized emission from thermal dust. Our model calculations suggest that $C_l \propto l^{-11/3}$ for $l \gtrsim 1000$ and a shallower spectrum for $l \lesssim 1000$.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Diffuse Galactic synchrotron emission is an important foreground source of the cosmic microwave background (CMB) signals. Therefore proper understanding of Galactic synchrotron emission is essential for CMB studies. In this paper, we present statistical analysis of a synchrotron foreground emission map. In particular, we provide physical interpretation of the angular spectrum of the synchrotron intensity. In addition, we briefly discuss the properties of a model dust emission map, another important ingredient of the CMB foreground. As measurements of the polarized CMB signals become possible, more accurate removal of Galactic polarized foreground emission is required. Synchrotron and dust emissions are known to be the most important sources of polarized foreground radiation. Therefore, measurements of angular power spectra of such foregrounds are of great interest. In this paper, we also provide estimation of angular spectrum of polarized emission by foreground dust.

The angular spectrum of the synchrotron emission delivers valuable information on the structure of the Galaxy. The observed spectra of synchrotron emission and synchrotron polarization (see papers in de Oliveira-Costa & Tegmark 1999) reveal a range of power-laws. Since the Galactic synchrotron emissivity is roughly proportional to the magnetic energy density, the angular spectrum of synchrotron emission reflects statistics of magnetic field fluctuations in the Galaxy (see §3.1 for further discussions).

The interstellar medium (ISM) is turbulent and Kolmogorov-type spectra were reported on the scales from several AU to several kpc (see Armstrong, Rickett, & Spangler 1995; Lazarian & Pogosyan 2000; Lazarian 2009). It is believed that magnetic field lines are twisted and bend by turbulent motions in the Galaxy. Therefore it is natural to think of the turbulence as the origin of the magnetic field fluctuations and thus the diffuse synchrotron foreground radiation. Indeed, several earlier studies addressed this issue. Tegmark et al. (2000) suggested that the spectra may be relevant to Kolmogorov turbulence. Chepurnov (1999) and Cho & Lazarian (2002; hereinafter CL02) used different approaches, but both showed that the angular spectrum of synchrotron emission reveals Kolmogorov spectrum ($C_l \propto l^{-11/3}$) for large values of multipole $l$. However, they noted that the spectrum can be shallower than the Kolmogorov one for intermediate values of multipole $l$, due to density stratification in the halo (Chepurnov 1999) or the Galactic disk geometry (CL02). In this paper, we further elucidate the relation between 3-dimensional turbulence spectrum and observed angular spectrum. We also investigate how structure of the Galactic halo affects observed angular spectrum.

Thermal emission from dust is also an important source of foreground emission. Dust emission is the most pronounced emission in far infrared (FIR) wavelengths. Schlegel, Finkbeiner, & Davis (1998) combined 100$\mu$m maps of IRAS (Infrared Astronomy Satellite) and DIRBE (Diffuse Infrared Background Experiment on board the COBE satellite) and removed the zodiacal foreground and point sources to construct a full-sky map. Finkbeiner, Davis, & Schlegel (1999) extrapolated the 100$\mu$m emission map and 100/240$\mu$m flux ratio maps to sub-millimeter and microwave wavelengths. In this paper, we present statistical analysis of a model dust emission map above.

Thermal radiation from dust becomes polarized when dust grains are aligned. There is ample evidence that dust grains are aligned with respect to magnetic field. Therefore, polarization by dust is also related to the magnetic field fluctuations. Then how are they related? Polarized dust emission is difficult to observe directly. Therefore in this paper we first study the re-

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\(^{3}\) In fact, correct scaling is $\epsilon(r) \propto n(e)|\mathbf{B}_\perp|^2$, where $\epsilon(r)$ is the synchrotron emissivity, $n(e)$ is the cosmic-ray electron number density, and $B_\perp$ is the strength of the magnetic field component perpendicular to the line of sight. In our Galaxy, we have $\gamma \sim 2$. Therefore, when $n(e)$ is more or less uniform, we have $\epsilon(r) \propto |\mathbf{B}_\perp|^2$. 

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lation between star-light polarization and turbulence statistics. Then we describe how we infer the relation between star-light polarization and polarized thermal emission from dust.

In this paper, we show how MHD turbulence is related with the observed angular spectra of Galactic synchrotron emission and starlight polarization. For this purpose, we use an analytical insight obtained in Lazarian (1992, 1995ab) and numerical results obtained in CL02. We also discuss how we can estimate polarized microwave dust emission using star-light polarimetry. This problem is of great importance in view of recent interest to the foregrounds to the CMB polarization. In §2, we briefly describe the data sets we use in this paper, the 408MHz Haslam map and a model dust emission map at 94GHz. In §3, we review a simple model of the angular spectrum of synchrotron emission arising from homogeneous MHD turbulence. In §4, we present statistical analysis of the Haslam map, which is dominated by diffuse Galactic synchrotron emission. In §5, we investigate the dust emission map. In §6, we consider polarized emission from thermal dust. In §7, we discuss how to utilize our results to remove Galactic foregrounds. In §8, we calculate high-order structure functions of the synchrotron and the dust maps and we compare the results with those of turbulence. Finally in §9, we give summary.

2. DATA SETS

We use the 408MHz Haslam all-sky map (Haslam et al. 1982) and a model dust emission map that are available on the NASA’s LAMBDA website\footnote{http://lambda.gsfc.nasa.gov/}. Both maps were reprocessed for HEALPix (Górski et al. 2005) with nside=512.

The original Haslam data were produced by merging several different data-sets. “The original data were processed in both the Fourier and spatial domains to mitigate baseline striping and strong point sources” (see the website for details). The angular resolution of the original Haslam map is \( \sim 1^\circ \). Galactic diffuse synchrotron emission is the dominant source of emission at 408MHz.

The 94 GHz dust map is based on fits to data from earlier 100 micron and 100/240 micron maps (Schlegel et al. 1998) and extension to COBE/FIRAS frequencies and identical to the two-component model 8 of Finkbeiner et al. (1999).

3. SPECTRUM AND STRUCTURE FUNCTION OF DIFFUSE SYNCHROTRON EMISSION: A MODEL FOR HOMOGENEOUS TURBULENCE REVISITED

Suppose that 3-dimensional MHD turbulence has a 3D spatial power spectrum of the form \( E_{3D} \propto k^{-m} \), where \( k \) is the wavenumber. Note that in Kolmogorov turbulence \( m = 11/3 \). Then what will be the 2-dimensional angular spectrum, \( C_\ell \), of the observed synchrotron total intensity? We mostly follow discussions in Cho & Lazarian (CL02). Although we focus on synchrotron emission here, the discussion in this section can be applicable to any kind of emission from an optically thin medium.

3.1. MHD turbulence and synchrotron emission

For synchrotron radiation, emissivity at a point \( r \) is given by \( \epsilon(r) \propto n(e)B_z \gamma^2 \), where \( n(e) \) is the electron number density, \( B_z \) is the component of magnetic field perpendicular to the line of sight. The index \( \gamma \) is approximately 2 for radio synchrotron frequencies (see Smoot 1999). If electrons are uniformly distributed over the scales of magnetic field inhomogeneities, the spectrum of synchrotron intensity reflects the statistics of magnetic field. For small amplitude perturbations \((\delta B)/B \ll 1\); this is true for scales several times smaller than the outer scale of turbulence if we interpret \( B \) as local mean magnetic field strength and \( \delta B \) as random fluctuating field in the local region), if \( \delta B \) has a power-law behavior, the synchrotron emissivity will have the same power-law behavior (see Getmantsev 1959; Lazarian & Shutenkov 1990; Chepurnov 1999). Therefore, we expect that the angular spectrum of synchrotron intensity also reflects the spectrum of 3-dimensional MHD turbulence.

When an observer is located inside a turbulent medium, the angular correlation function, hence the power spectrum, shows two asymptotic behaviors. When the angle is larger than a critical angle, we can show that the angular correlation shows a universal \( \theta^{-1} \) scaling. On the contrary, when the angular separation is smaller than the critical angle, the angular correlation reflects statistics of turbulence. In this small angle limit, we can show that the angular power spectrum is very similar to that of turbulence. The critical angle is determined by the geometry. Let the outer scale of turbulence be \( L \) and the distance to the farthest eddies be \( d_{\text{max}} \). Then the critical angle is

\[
\theta_c \sim L/d_{\text{max}}.
\]

3.2. Small-angle limit in homogeneous turbulence

When the angle between the lines of sight is small (i.e. \( \theta < L/d_{\text{max}} \)), the angular spectrum \( C_\ell \) has the same slope as the 3-dimensional energy spectrum of turbulence. Lazarian & Shutenkov (1990) showed that if the 3D spatial spectrum of a variable follows a power-law, \( E_{3D}(k) \propto k^{-m} \), then the 2-dimensional spectrum of the variable projected on the sky also follows the same power-law,

\[
C_\ell \propto l^{-m}.
\]

in the small \( \theta \) limit. For Kolmogorov turbulence \( E_{3D} \propto k^{-11/3} \), we expect

\[
C_\ell \propto l^{-11/3}, \quad \text{if } \theta < L/d_{\text{max}}.
\]

Note that \( l \sim \pi/\theta \).

In some cases, when we have data with incomplete sky coverage, we need to infer \( C_\ell \) from the observation of the angular correlation function

\[
K(\theta) = \langle T(e_1)T(e_2) \rangle > 0\]

where \( e_1 \) and \( e_2 \) are unit vectors along the lines of sight, \( \theta \) is the angle between \( e_1 \) and \( e_2 \), and the angle brackets denote average taken over the observed region. As we discuss in Appendix A, when the underlying 3D turbulence spectrum is \( \propto k^{-m} \) (e.g. \( m = 11/3 \) for Kolmogorov turbulence), the angular correlation function \( K(\theta) \) is given by

\[
K(\theta) \propto \theta^2 \quad \text{for } \theta < L/d_{\text{max}}.
\]

It is sometimes inconvenient to use the angular correlation function in practice to study turbulence statistics because of the constant \( \theta^2 \).

A better quantity in small-angle limit would be the second-order angular structure function:

\[
D_2(\theta) = \langle |T(e_1) - T(e_2)|^2 \rangle > 2T^2 - 2K(\theta).
\]

Thus, in homogeneous turbulence with 3D spatial spectrum \( E(k) \propto k^m \), we have

\[
D_2(\theta) \propto \theta^{-m-2}.
\]

When we measure the slope of the angular structure function, we can infer the slope of the 3D spatial power spectrum of turbulence.
3.3. Large-angle limit in homogeneous turbulence

In this limit, the angular correlation function is more useful than the structure function. Following Lazarian & Shutenkov (1990), we can show that the angular correlation function for \( \theta > L/d_{\text{max}} \) follows

\[
K(\theta) = \int \int dr_1 dr_2 K(|r_1 - r_2|),
\]

\[
= \frac{1}{\sin \theta} \int_0^\infty dr \frac{\pi^2}{\theta^2} \sqrt{\frac{\pi - \theta}{\sin \theta}} \propto \frac{\text{const}}{\theta}, \tag{9}
\]

where we change variables: \((r_1, r_2) \rightarrow (r, \psi)\), which is clear from Fig. 1. We accounted for the Jacobian of which is \( r/\sin \theta \). We can understand \( 1/\theta \) behavior qualitatively as follows. When the angle is large, points along of the lines-of-sight near the observer are still correlated. These points extend from the observer over the distance \( \propto 1/\sin (\theta/2) \).

If we assume \( L/d_{\text{max}} < \theta < 1 \), we can get the angular power spectrum \( C_\ell \) using Fourier transform:

\[
C_\ell \sim \int \int K(\theta)e^{-i \theta \psi} d\theta d\psi
\]

\[
\sim \int d\theta \frac{\theta}{\theta_0(\theta)} K(\theta) \propto \theta^{-1}, \tag{10}
\]

where \( \theta = (\theta^2 + \psi^2)^{1/2} \), \( \theta_0 \) is the Bessel function, and we use \( K(\theta) \propto \theta^{-1} \).

3.4. Expectations for homogeneous turbulence

In summary, for homogeneous Kolmogorov turbulence, we expect from equations (3) and (10) that

\[
C_\ell \propto \left\{ \begin{array}{ll}
\ell^{-11/3} & \text{if } \ell > \ell_c, \\
\ell^{-1} & \text{if } \ell < \ell_c,
\end{array} \right.
\]

\tag{11}

which means that the power index \( \alpha \) of \( C_\ell \) i.e.\( -1 \leq \alpha \leq -11/3 \). For small-angle limit, we expect the following scaling for the second-order angular structure function:

\[
D_2(\theta) \propto \theta^{5/3} \quad \text{if } \theta < L/d_{\text{max}}. \tag{12}
\]

The critical angle \( \theta_c \sim L/d_{\text{max}} \) depends on the size of the large turbulent eddies and on the length of the line of sight. If we assume that turbulence is homogeneous along the lines of sight and has \( L \sim 100 \text{ pc} \) corresponding to a typical size of the supernova remnant, and that \( d_{\text{max}} \sim 1 \text{ kpc} \) for synchrotron halo (see Smoot 1999), we get \( \theta_c \sim 6^\circ \).

4. Properties of Diffuse Galactic Synchrotron Emission

In this section, we analyze the Haslam 408MHz all-sky map, which is dominated by Galactic diffuse synchrotron emission. Our main goal is to explain the observed synchrotron angular spectrum using simple turbulence models.

4.1. General properties of the 408MHz Haslam map

Fig. 2 shows average intensity as a function of galactic latitude \( b \). We only use data for the Galactic Northern sky. The synchrotron emission is roughly constant for high galactic latitudes \( |b| \geq 30^\circ \), as noted by earlier studies (e.g. de Oliveira-Costa et al. 2003). The usual average intensity (solid line) and the average taken near the Galactic center show a sharp rise towards the Galactic plane. But, the average taken over the Galactic anti-center does not show such a sharp increase towards the Galactic plane. The latitude profile of synchrotron intensity cannot be explained by a single emission component. The constancy of synchrotron intensity for \( b \geq 30^\circ \) implies that the emission is originated from the Galactic halo. If it is coming from a thin disk, the intensity should scale as \( \sin b \). If there is only the halo component, we will not have such a sharp increase of intensity as we approach to \( b = 0^\circ \). Therefore, we need to take into account additional thin disk component for the Galactic plane (i.e. \( b < 0^\circ \)).

Judging from visual inspection, the probability density function (PDF) of synchrotron intensity for \( b \geq 30^\circ \) can be explained by a combination of two components. One component has a peak at \( T \sim 20K \) and the other has a peak at \( T \sim 35K \). The latter may correspond to the emission from the North Polar Spur. The former seems to have roughly a symmetric shape (Fig. 3). However, the PDF of intensity times \( \sin b \) shows a more complicated shape (dotted line).

In this section, we study synchrotron emission from the Galactic halo (i.e. \( b \geq 30^\circ \)) and the Galactic disk (i.e. \( |b| \leq 2^\circ \))

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\(^5\text{Note that point sources would result in } \alpha \sim 0.\)
separately. Our main goal is to see if statistics of synchrotron emission from the halo is consistent with turbulence models. When it comes to synchrotron emission from the Galactic disk, it is not easy to separate diffuse emission and emission from discrete sources. Therefore, we do not try to study turbulence in the Galactic disk. Instead, we will try to estimate which kind of emission is dominant in the Galactic disk.

4.2. Structure of synchrotron halo

How are the observed angular spectrum of synchrotron emission and the spectrum of 3-dimensional MHD turbulence related? In order to understand the relation, we need to understand the structure of the Galactic halo. There exist several models for the diffuse Galactic radio emission. Beuermann, Kanbach, & Berkhuijen (1985) showed that a two-component model, a thin disk embedded in a thick disk, can explain observed synchrotron latitude profile. They claimed that the equivalent width of the thick disk is about several kiloparsecs and thin disk has approximately the same equivalent width as the gas disk. They assumed that, in the direction perpendicular to the Galactic plane, the emissivity $\epsilon$ of each component follows

$$\epsilon(z) = \epsilon(0) \text{sech}(z/z_0), \tag{13}$$

where $z$ is the distance from the Galactic plane and $z_0$ is a constant. Recently, several Galactic synchrotron emission models have been proposed in an effort to separate Galactic components from WMAP polarization data (see, for example, Page et al. 2007; Sun et al. 2008; Miville-Deschenes et al. 2008; Waelkens et al. 2008). All the models mentioned above assume the existence of a thick disk component with scale height equal to or greater than 1 kpc. Sun et al. (2008) considered an additional local spherical component motivated by the local excess of the synchrotron emission that might be related to the "local bubble".

The detailed modeling of the Galactic synchrotron emission is beyond the scope of our paper. We will simply assume that there is a thick component with a scale height of $\sim 1$ kpc. We will also assume that there could be an additional local spherical component. Then, what will be the relation between spectrum of 3-dimensional turbulence and the observed angular spectrum of synchrotron emission?

4.3. Spectrum and Structure function of the 408MHz Haslam map

In left panel of Fig. 4 we plot angular power spectrum of synchrotron emission at 408MHz. The upper curve (solid curve) is the angular spectrum of the all-sky data. The lower curve (dotted curve) is that of high galactic latitude. We obtain the latter as follows. We first set the synchrotron intensity to zero for pixels with $|b| \leq 30^\circ$ and then calculate the angular spectrum using anafast package. Due to the partial sky coverage, the spectrum (lower curve) show an oscillatory behavior. The slope of the lower curve is very close to that of the straight line, which has a slope of -3. This result is consistent with earlier results for the 408-MHz Haslam map (Tegmark & Efstathiou 1996; Bouchet, Gispert, & Puget 1996). Recently La Porta et al. (2008) performed a comprehensive angular power spectrum analysis of all-sky total intensity maps at 408MHz and 1420MHz. They found that the slope is close to -3 for high galactic latitude regions. Other results also show slopes close to -3. For example, using Rhodes/HartRAO data at 2326 MHz (Jonas, Baart, & Nicolson 1998), Giardino et al. (2001b) obtained a $\sim 2.92$ for high galactic latitude regions with $|b| > 20^\circ$. Giardino et al. (2001a) obtained a $\sim 3.15$ for high galactic latitude regions with $|b| > 20^\circ$ from the Reich & Reich (1986) survey at 1420 MHz. Bouchet & Gispert (1999) also obtained a $\sim l^{-3}$ spectrum from the 1420 MHz map.

Since we obtained angular spectrum from data with incomplete sky coverage, the slope of the spectrum may be contaminated by the edge effect. To avoid the effect, we may calculate angular correlation function $K(\theta)$ first and then obtain $C_l$ using Eq. (19). But the angular spectrum $C_l$ obtained in this way is, in general, noisy. Therefore it is not easy to accurately measure the slope of the spectrum. When we want to obtain only the slope of the angular spectrum on small angular scales, hence the slope of the 3D spatial turbulence spectrum, we can use the second-order angular structure function:

$$D_2(\theta) = \langle |T(\mathbf{e}_1) - T(\mathbf{e}_2)|^2 \rangle. \tag{14}$$

As we discussed in §3.2 the slope of the second-order structure function will tell us about the slope of the angular spectrum.

In the middle panel of Fig. 4 we show the second-order structure function for the Galactic halo (i.e. $|b| > 30^\circ$). The slope of the second-order structure function lies between those of two straight lines. The steeper line has a slope of $4/3$ and the other one has a slope of 1. The actual measured slope is $\sim 1.2$. This result implies that the 3D turbulence spectrum is $E_{3D}(k) \propto k^{-3/2}$, which is shallower than the Kolmogorov spectrum $E_{3D}(k) \propto k^{-11/3}$.

4.4. Effects of inhomogeneity and model calculations

Then why is the slope shallower than that of Kolmogorov? Chepurnov (1999) gave a discussion about the effects of density stratification on the slope. He used a Gaussian disk model and semi-analytically showed that the slope of the angular spectrum can be shallower than that of Kolmogorov. In this subsection, we present further discussions.

In the model discussed in §3 we assumed turbulence is homogeneous. However, this is certainly an unrealistic assumption for the Galactic halo. Synchrotron emission models (see previous subsection) assume either exponential ($e^{-z/\zeta}$) or square of hyperbolic secant ($\text{sech}^2(z/\zeta)$) law for synchrotron emissivity, where $z$ is the distance from the Galactic plane. For simplicity, we assume the observer is at the center of a spherical halo. That is, the geometry is not plane-parallel, but spherical.

In what follows, we use $r$, instead of $z$, to denote the distance to a point.

To illustrate the effects of this inhomogeneity, we test 3 models:

1. Homogeneous halo: Turbulence in halo, thus emissivity, is homogeneous. Turbulence has a sharp boundary at $d_{\text{max}} = 1$ kpc. The outer scale of turbulence is 100 pc. Basically, this model is the same as the one we considered in §3.
FIG. 2.— Latitude distribution of average intensity. The solid line shows the usual average intensity. The dashed line and the dotted line depict average taken near the Galactic center (−45° ≤ l_{Gal} ≤ 45°) and the Galactic anti-center (135° ≤ l_{Gal} ≤ 225°), respectively. Here l_{Gal} is the galactic longitude.

FIG. 3.— PDF for |b| > 30°. PDF of synchrotron intensity (solid curve) may be composed of two components: One has a peak at T ∼ 20K and the other at T ∼ 35K. However, that of intensity time sin b (dotted curve) does not seem to be physically meaningful.

FIG. 4.— Haslam 408MHz map. Left: Angular spectra of full-sky and partial-sky (|b| > 30°) maps. Spectrum of partial-sky map (thin curve) suffers from edge effect because pixels with |b| ≤ 30° are set to zero. Middle: Second-order angular structure function shows a slope of ∼ 1.2, which is shallower than that of Kolmogorov turbulence (slope = 5/3). Right: Structure function as a function of galactic latitude. From bottom to top, the second-order angular structure functions are obtained for thin stripes (|Δb| ≤ 2°) along galactic latitudes of 30°, 10°, and 0°.

2. **Exponentially stratified halo:** Emissivity shows an exponential decrease, $\epsilon(r) \propto e^{-r/r_0}$. We assume $r_0 = 1kpc$ and the halo truncates at $r = 8kpc$. The outer scale of turbulence is 100pc. See Fig. 5.

3. **Two-component halo:** Emissivity decrease as $\epsilon(r) \propto \epsilon_1 e^{-r/r_1} + \epsilon_2 e^{-r/r_2}$, where $\epsilon_2 = 10\epsilon_1$, $r_1 = 1kpc$, and $r_2 = 100pc$. The halo truncates at $r = 8kpc$. The second component mimics local enhancement of synchrotron emissivity. See Fig. 5.

We numerically calculate the angular correlation function...
$K(\theta)$ and the second-order structure $D_2(\theta)$ from

$$K(\theta) = \int dr_1 \int dr_2 K(|r_1 - r_2|) \epsilon(r_1) \epsilon(r_2),$$

(15)

$$D_2(\theta) \propto T - K(\theta),$$

(16)

where $|r_1 - r_2| = r_1^2 + r_2^2 - 2r_1 r_2 \cos \theta$, $\epsilon(r)$ is the synchrotron emissivity, $T = \lim_{l \to 0} K(\theta)$, and we use the spatial correlation function $K(r)$ obtained from the relation:

$$K(r) \propto \int_0^\infty 4\pi k^2 E_{3D}(k) \frac{\sin kr}{kr} dk,$$

(17)

where the spatial spectrum of emissivity $E_{3D}(k)$ has the form:

$$E_{3D}(k) \propto \begin{cases} \text{constant} & \text{if } k \leq k_0 \\ (k/k_0)^{-11/3} & \text{if } k \geq k_0 \end{cases},$$

(18)

which is the same as Kolmogorov spectrum for $k \geq k_0$ ($\sim 1/L$).

The reason we use a constant spectrum for $k \leq k_0$ is explained in Appendix B (see also Chepurnov 1999). We obtain the angular spectrum from the relation:

$$C_\ell \propto \int P_l(\cos \theta) K(\cos \theta) d(\cos \theta),$$

(19)

where $P_l$ is the Legendre polynomial.

In Fig. 6 we plot the calculation results. The angular correlation function $K(\theta)$ does not change much when $\theta$ is small, and follows $\sim (\pi/\theta) \sin \theta \sim 1/\theta$ when $\theta$ is large. The critical angle is a few degrees for homogeneous model (thick solid curve) and single-component exponential model (dotted curve). As we discussed earlier, the critical angle for homogeneous turbulence is $\sim (L/d_{\max})^{1/3} \sim 6^\circ$, where $d_{\max} = 1kpc$ in our model is the distance to the farthest eddy. In Fig. 6(left panel) we clearly see that the slope of $K(\theta)$ changes near $\theta \sim 6^\circ$. The second-order structure function $D_2(\theta)$ also shows a change of slope near the same critical angle ($\theta \sim 6^\circ$) In single-component exponential model (dotted curve), the value of $d_{\max}$ is not important. Instead, the scale height $z_0$ is a more important quantity, which is $1kpc$ in our model. In left and middle panels of Fig. 6 we observe that the single-component exponential model also show a change of slope near $\theta \sim 3$ degrees. Therefore, we can interpret that the critical angle for stratified turbulence is $\sim L/z_0$, instead of $\sim L/d_{\max}$.

Then, can we answer our earlier question of why the observed slope is shallower than that of Kolmogorov? Let us take a look at the right panel of Fig. 6. All 3 models show that the slope of $c_l$ is almost Kolmogorov one for $l \gtrsim l_{cr} \sim \pi d_{\max}/L \sim 30$. However, if we measure average slope of $c_l$ between $l \approx 10$ and 200, we obtain slopes shallower than Kolmogorov. The single-component model and the homogeneous model give similar average slopes, which is a bit shallower than $-3$. However, the homogeneous model gives a more abrupt change of slope near $l \sim 30$. In fact, right panel of Fig. 6 shows the break happens near $l \sim 50$. The average slope of the two-component model gives more or less gradual change of the slope and the slope is very close to $-3$ for a broad range of multipoles $l$. It is difficult to tell which model is better because the models are highly simplified. But, the two-component model looks the most promising.

Note that, compared with the two-component model, the single-component model shows a more or less sudden change of slope near $l \sim l_{cr} \sim \pi z_0/L \sim 30$. Therefore, if the single-component model is correct, the scale height $z_0$ cannot be much larger than $\sim 10$ times the outer scale of turbulence $L$. If $z_0$ is much larger than $\sim 10L$, $l_{cr}$ becomes smaller and we will have almost Kolmogorov slope for $l \gtrsim 10$. We also note that it is possible that 3D spatial turbulence spectrum itself can be shallower than the Kolmogorov one. That is, it is possible that spectrum of $B(r)$, hence that of $B^2(r)$, can be shallower than the Kolmogorov one. For example, recent studies show that strong MHD turbulence can have a $k^{-3.5}$ spectrum, rather than $k^{-11/3}$ (Boldyrev 2006; Beresnyak & Lazarian 2006). If this is the case, the observed angular spectrum can be shallower than Kolmogorov for $l > l_{cr}$.

4.5. Synchrotron emission from Galactic disk

In right panel of Fig. 6 we show how the second-order structure function changes with galactic latitude. The lower curve is the second-order angular structure function obtained from pixels in the range of $28^\circ \leq b \leq 32^\circ$. The middle and upper curves are the second-order angular structure functions obtained from pixels in the range of $8^\circ \leq b \leq 12^\circ$ and $-2^\circ \leq b \leq 2^\circ$, respectively. The middle and upper curves clearly show break of slopes near $\theta \sim 3^\circ$ and $\sim 1.5^\circ$, respectively. When the angular separation is larger than the angle of the break, the structure function becomes almost flat. As we move towards the Galactic plane, the sudden changes of slopes happen at smaller angles.

What causes this break of slope? There are at least two possibilities. First, a geometric effect can cause it. As we discussed in 3.3, change of slope occurs near $\theta_c \sim L/d_{\max}$. As we move to-
wards the Galactic plane, the distance to the farthest eddy, \(d_{\text{max}}\), will increase. As a result, the critical angle \(\theta_c \approx L/d_{\max}\) will decrease. Therefore, we will have smaller \(\theta_c\) towards the Galactic plane. This may be what we observe in the right panel of Fig. 4. Second, discrete synchrotron sources can cause flattening of the structure function on angular scales larger than their sizes. Although the map we use was reprocessed to remove strong point sources, there might be unremoved discrete sources. When filamentary discrete sources dominate synchrotron emission, the second-order structure function will be flat on scales larger than the typical width of the sources. In reality, both effects may work together. At this moment, it is not easy to determine which effect is more important.

### 4.6. On the polarized synchrotron emission

Roughly speaking, the shape of the angular spectrum of polarized synchrotron emission will be similar to that of the total intensity at mm wavelengths. However, at longer wavelengths, Faraday rotation and depolarization effects may cause flattening of the angular spectrum, which has been actually reported (see de Oliveira-Costa et al. 2003 and references therein). On the other hand, La Porta et al. (2006) analyzed the new DRAO 1.4GHz polarization survey and obtained angular power spectra with power-law slopes in the range \([-3.0, -2.5]\). More observations on the polarized synchrotron foreground emission can be found in Pontieu et al. (2005), Giardino et al. (2002), Tucci et al. (2002), Baccigalupi et al. (2001). In this paper, we do not discuss further about polarized synchrotron emission. Readers may refer to recent models about the polarized synchrotron emission (Page et al. 2007; Sun et al. 2008; Miville-Deschenes et al. 2008; Waelkens et al. 2008).

### 5. Properties of the Dust Emission Map

Thermal dust emission is also an important ingredient of CMB foregrounds. In this section, we analyze a model dust emission map created by Finkbeiner et al. (1999), which is available at the NASA LAMBDA website [http://lambda.gsfc.nasa.gov].

In Fig. 7, we present statistical properties of the map. The map shows rough constancy of emission for high galactic latitude region when multiplied by \(\sin b\) (left panel of Fig. 7). The \(\sin b\) factor also appears in the PDF: the \(\sin b\) factor makes the PDF more symmetric (middle panel of Fig. 7). Therefore it is natural to conclude that a thin disk component dominates the dust map.

Angular spectrum of the dust map shows a slope much flatter than that of the Haslam map (right panel of Fig. 7). As in the Haslam map, the upper curve (solid curve) is the angular spectrum of the all-sky data. The lower curve (dotted curve) is that of high galactic latitude. The slope of the dotted curve is very close to \(-2.5\). However, due to the edge effect, it is not clear whether or not the slope is the true one. Since it is not affected by the edge effect, the second-order structure function can reveal the true scaling relation on small angular scales. Note that the \(\gamma^{-2.5}\) spectrum implies that the second-order structure function has a slope very close to 0.5. Indeed, the actual second-order structure function of the dust map (see Fig. 9) shows a slope of \(\sim 0.6\), which corresponds to angular spectrum of \(\gamma^{-2.6}\).

The slope of the angular power spectrum of the model dust emission map is very similar to that of the original FIR data. Schlegel et al. (1998) found a slope of \(-2.5\) for the original FIR data. On the other hand, other researchers found slopes close to \(-3\) from other observations (see Tegmark et al. 2000 and references therein; see also Masi et al. 2001).

### 6. Polarized Emission from Dust

Polarized radiation from dust is an important component of Galactic foreground that strongly interferes with intended CMB polarization measurements (see Lazarian & Prunet 2001). Then, what will be the angular spectrum of the polarized radiation from the foreground dust? One of the possible ways to estimate the polarized radiation from dust at the microwave range is to measure star-light polarization and use the standard formulae (see, for example, Hildebrand et al. 1999) relating polarization at different wavelengths. In this section, we describe how we can obtain a map of polarized emission from thermal dust and we discuss the angular spectrum of the polarized emission from thermal dust in the high galactic latitude (say, \(|b| \gtrsim 20^\circ\)).

#### 6.1. Getting a map of polarized emission from thermal dust

In principle we can construct a polarized dust emission map at mm wavelengths \((I_{\text{pol,mm}}(l, b))\) from a dust total emission map \((I_{\text{tot,mm}}(l, b))\) and a degree-of-polarization map \((P_{\text{em,mm}}(l, b))\) at mm wavelengths:

\[
I_{\text{pol,mm}}(l, b) = P_{\text{em,mm}}(l, b) I_{\text{tot,mm}}(l, b),
\]

(20) where \((l, b)\) denotes the galactic coordinate. However, neither \(I_{\text{pol,mm}}(l, b)\) nor \(I_{\text{em,mm}}(l, b)\) is directly available. Therefore, we need indirect methods to get \(I_{\text{pol,mm}}(l, b)\) and \(I_{\text{em,mm}}(l, b)\).

Obtaining a dust total emission map \((I_{\text{tot,mm}}(l, b))\) is relatively easy because dust total emission maps at FIR wavelengths are already available from the IRAS and COBE/DIRBE observations. Using the relation

\[
I_{\text{em,mm}}(l, b) = I_{100\mu m}(l, b)(1\text{mm}/100\mu m)^\beta,
\]

(21) where \(1 \leq \beta \leq 2\), one can easily obtain an emission map at mm wavelengths \((I_{\text{em,mm}})\) from the maps at 100 \(\mu m\) or 240 \(\mu m\). However, more sophisticated model dust emission maps at mm wavelengths already exist. For example, Finkbeiner et al. (1999) presented predicted full-sky maps of microwave emission from the diffuse interstellar dust using FIR emissions maps generated by Schlegel et al. (1998). In fact, the model dust emission map we analyzed in the previous section (§5) is one of the maps presented in Finkbeiner et al. (1999). Therefore, we can assume that the thermal dust emission map \((I_{\text{em,mm}}(l, b))\) is already available.

Then how can we obtain a degree-of-polarization map at mm wavelengths \((P_{\text{em,mm}}(l, b))\)? We can use measurements of starlight polarization at optical wavelengths to get \(P_{\text{em,mm}}(l, b)\). The basic idea is that the degree of polarization by emission at mm \((P_{\text{em,mm}})\) is related to that at optical wavelengths \((P_{\text{em, optical}})\), which in turn is related to the degree of polarization by absorption at optical wavelengths \((P_{\text{abs, optical}})\):

\[
P_{\text{abs, optical}} \rightarrow P_{\text{em, optical}} \rightarrow P_{\text{em, mm}}.
\]

(22) We describe the relations in detail below.

When the optical depth is small, we have the following relation (see, for example, Hildebrand et al. 2000):

\[
P_{\text{em, optical}} \approx \frac{P_{\text{abs, optical}}}{\tau}.
\]

(23) where \(P_{\text{em, optical}}\) is the degree of polarization by emission and \(\tau\) is the optical depth (at optical wavelengths). We obtain polarization by emission at mm wavelengths \((P_{\text{em,mm}})\) using the relation

\[
P_{\text{em,mm}} = P_{\text{em, optical}} \left( \frac{C_{\text{max}} - C_{\text{min}}}{C_{\text{max}} + C_{\text{min}}} \right)_{\text{mm}} \left( \frac{C_{\text{max}} - C_{\text{min}}}{C_{\text{max}} + C_{\text{mm}}}_{\text{optical}} \right) ,
\]

(24)
spheroids with perfectly aligned in the plane of the sky, we have 

\[(\text{grain size in high latitude region. The solid line represents the average taken over 360}^\circ)\]

and, dielectric function that depend on the geometrical shape (see, for example, the discussion in Hildebrand et al. 1999; see also Draine & Lee 1984)

displays a rough symmetry, but that of dust intensity (solid curve) does not. Right: Angular spectra of full-sky and partial-sky \(|b| > 30^\circ\) maps. Spectra are for dust map times \(\sin b\).

However, for optical wavelengths, the condition \(\lambda \gg 2\pi a\) is not always valid and, therefore, the expression in Eq. (25) returns only approximate values. For accurate evaluation of the cross sections, one should use numerical methods. Fortunately, several numerical codes are publicly available for such calculations (for example, DDSCAT package by Draine & Flatau 1994, 2008; ampldp.f by Mishchenko 2000). We use ampldp.f to calculate the ratio in Eq. (24). We assume that the grains are oblate spheroids, grain size is 0.1\(\mu\)m, \(\lambda_{\text{optical}} = 0.5\mu\)m, and \(\lambda_{\text{mm}} = 1000\mu\)m. Left panel of Fig. 8 shows that the ratio is around 1.5 when magnetic field is perpendicular to the line-of-sight. It also shows that the ratio of \(P_{em,\text{mm}}/P_{em,\text{optical}}\) is almost independent of the grain axis ratio.

In this subsection, we described a simple way to obtain a polarized map at mm wavelengths. However, actual implementation of the method can be more complicated due to the following reasons. First, we used an assumption that the grains that produce optical absorption produce also microwave emission. But, this is not true in general (see Whittet et al. 2008). Second,
the expressions in Eqs. (23) and (24) are valid when magnetic field direction is fixed and perpendicular to the line-of-sight and all grains are perfectly aligned with the magnetic field. If this is not the case, Eq. (24) will become \( P_{em,mm} \propto P_{em,\text{optical}} \) with the constant of proportionality that depends on magnetic field structure and the degree of grain alignment. The effect of partial alignment is expected to be less important. Then, how serious is the effect of non-perpendicular magnetic field? We perform a numerical calculation using \texttt{ampld.lpl} to evaluate the effect. We assume that the grains are oblate spheroids, grain size is 0.1\( \mu \text{m}, \lambda_{\text{optical}} = 0.5\mu\text{m}, \) and \( \lambda_{\text{mm}} = 1000\mu\text{m}. \) Right panel of Fig. 3 shows that the polarization ratio drops from \( \sim 1.5 \) to \( \sim 1.1 \) when the angle (between magnetic field and the plane of the sky) changes from 90° to \( \sim 5°. \) Therefore, the effect is not very strong and can be potentially corrected for.

6.2. Angular spectrum of polarized emission from thermal dust

After we have constructed a map of the polarized emission from thermal dust, we can obtain the angular spectrum. However, if we are interested in the shape of the angular spectrum, we do not need to construct the polarized thermal dust emission map. We can get the shape of the angular spectrum directly from the starlight polarization map \( P_{abs,\text{optical}}(l,b). \)

Eq. (20) tells us that \( I_{pol,mm} \) is given by \( P_{em,mm} \) times \( I_{mm}. \) From Eqs. (23) and (24), we have

\[
I_{pol,mm} = P_{em,mm} I_{mm} \propto P_{em,\text{optical}} I_{mm}
\]

\[
\propto P_{abs,\text{optical}}.
\]

Here we use the fact \( \tau \propto I_{mm}. \) Note that the constant of proportionality does not affect the shape of the angular spectrum if grain properties do not vary much in halo. Therefore, as to the power spectrum \( C_l \) of \( I_{pol,mm}, \) we can use that of \( P_{abs,\text{optical}}: \)

\[
C_l \text{ of } I_{pol,mm} \propto C_l \text{ of } P_{abs,\text{optical}}.
\]

Once we know the angular spectrum of \( P_{abs,\text{optical}}, \) we can estimate the angular spectrum of \( I_{pol,mm}. \)

Then, what is the measured angular spectrum of \( P_{abs,\text{optical}}(l,b)? \) Fosalba et al. (2002) obtained \( C_l \sim l^{-1.5} \) for starlight polarization. The stars used for the calculation are at different distances from the observer and most of the stars are nearby stars. The sampled stars are mostly in the Galactic disk. CL02 reproduced the observed angular spectrum numerically and showed that the slope becomes shallower when only stars with a large fixed distance are used for the calculation. Therefore, it is clear that distance, or dust column density, to the stars is an important factor that determines the slope. We expect that, if we consider only the nearby stars with a fixed distance, the slope will be steeper. This means that, if we consider stars in the Galactic halo, the slope will be steeper.

The method described above requires measurements of polarization from many distant stars in the Galactic halo. Unfortunately, the number of stars outside the Galactic disk that can be used for this purpose are no more than a few thousands (Heiles 2000; see also discussions in Page et al. 2007; Dunkley et al. 2008). When more observations are available in the future, accurate estimation of \( I_{pol,mm}(l,b) \) and \( C_l \) of \( P_{abs,\text{optical}} \) will be possible. We do not pursue this topic further in this paper.

6.3. Model calculations for starlight polarization

Then, what do we expect about \( C_l \) of \( P_{abs,\text{optical}} \) for the Galactic halo? To deal with this problem we use numerical simulations again. We first generate two sets of magnetic field on a two-dimensional plane (8192 \( \times \) 8192 grid points), using Kolmogorov three-dimensional spectra. We consider 3 models:

1. **Case 1**. Nearby stars in a homogeneous turbulent medium: We generate three (i.e. \( x, y, \) and \( z \)) components of magnetic field on a two-dimensional plane (8192 \( \times \) 8192 grid points representing 400pc \( \times \) 400pc), using the following Kolmogorov three-dimensional spectrum: \( E_{3D}(k) \propto k^{-11/3} \) if \( k > k_0, \) where \( k_0 \sim 1/100 \text{ pc}. \) (The outer scale of turbulence is 100pc.) We assume the volume density of dust is homogeneous. All stars are at a fixed distance of 100pc from the observer.

2. **Case 2**. Distant stars in a homogeneous turbulent medium: We generate three (i.e. \( x, y, \) and \( z \)) components of magnetic field on a two-dimensional plane (8192 \( \times \) 8192 grid points representing 4 \( \text{ kpc} \times 4 \text{ kpc} \)), using the following Kolmogorov three-dimensional spectrum: \( E_{3D}(k) \propto k^{-11/3} \) if \( k > k_0, \) where \( k_0 \sim 1/100 \text{ pc}. \) Other setups are the same as those of Case 1, but the distance to the stars is 2kpc.

3. **Case 3**. Stars in a stratified medium: We use the magnetic field generated in Case 1. The volume density of dust shows a \( \text{sech}^2(z) \) decrease: \( \rho(r) = 4\rho_0/\left[\exp(r/r_0) + \exp(-r/r_0)\right]^2 \). We assume spherical geometry and \( r_0 = 100\text{pc}. \) The stars are at \( r = 200\text{pc} \) from the observer. The outer scale of turbulence is 100pc.

We assume that dust grains are oblate spheroids. In the presence of a magnetic field, some grains (especially large grains) are aligned with the magnetic field (see Lazarian 2007 for a review). Therefore, cross sections parallel to and perpendicular to the magnetic field are different. We assume that parallel cross section is \( \sim 30\% \) smaller than the perpendicular one. We use the following equations to follow changes of Stokes parameters along the path:

\[
\Gamma^l dI/ds = -\delta + \Delta \sigma Q/l,
\]

\[
d(Q/l)/ds = -\Delta(\sigma Q/l)^2,
\]

\[
d(U/l)/ds = -\Delta(\sigma Q/l)(U/l)
\]

(see Martin 1974 for original equations; see also Dolginov, Gnedin, & Silantev 1996), where \( \delta = (\sigma_1 + \sigma_2), \Delta = (\sigma_1 - \sigma_2), \sigma_1 = \sigma_{\perp}, \) and

\[
2\sigma_1 = \sigma_{\parallel},
\]

\[
2\sigma_2 = \sigma_{\perp} - (\sigma_{\parallel} - \sigma_{\perp}) \cos \gamma
\]

8 Theories (see Lazarian 2007 for a review) predict that grains starting with a particular size get aligned. If the grain size distribution varies from one place to another, this fraction of aligned grains will also vary. However, for the diffuse ISM, the grain distribution should not vary much (Weingartner & Draine 2001). Therefore, the effect of partial alignment will be less significant.

9 We can make use of Right panel of Fig 3 reversely. In the future, when we can accurately measure polarized emission from thermal dust in FIR or mm wavelengths, we can obtain the values of \( [(C_{\text{max}} - C_{\text{min}})/(C_{\text{max}} + C_{\text{min}})]_{\text{mm}}. \) This result combined with the values of \( [(C_{\text{max}} - C_{\text{min}})/(C_{\text{max}} + C_{\text{min}})]_{\text{optical}} \) in optical wavelengths can be used to find average angle between magnetic field and the plane of the sky. That is, when we know the ratio \( [...]_{\text{mm}}/ [...]_{\text{optical}}, \) we can use Right panel of Fig 3 to find the angle between magnetic field and the plane of the sky.

10 Consider a 3-dimensional magnetic field with a 3D spectrum \( E_{3D}(k_x, k_y, k_z). \) The spectrum of the magnetic field on a two-dimensional sub-plane (e.g. \( z = 0 \) plane) is \( E_{3D,\text{optical}}(k_x, k_y) \propto \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dk_z E_{3D}(k_x, k_y, k_z), \) which we use in our calculations to generate two sets of magnetic field on a two-dimensional plane.
Cet al. (2002) obtained a shallow spectrum of Kolmogorov one. Therefore, it is not surprising that Fosalba nearby stars, the angular spectrum will be shallower than when we have either distant stars or mixture of distant and nearby stars mostly in the Galactic disk. Flattening of spectrum (i.e. $\theta = 0.2^\circ$ and $20^\circ$) correspond to $l = 1000$ and 10, respectively. This means that, when we have either distant stars or mixture of distant and nearby stars, the angular spectrum will be shallower than the Kolmogorov one. Therefore, it is not surprising that Fosalba et al. (2002) obtained a shallow spectrum of $\sim C_l \propto l^{-1.5}$ for stars mostly in the Galactic disk. Flattening of spectrum (i.e. $C_l \propto l^{-\alpha}$ with $\alpha \approx 1.3 \sim 1.4$) for polarized FIR dust thermal emission is also observed in Prunet et al. (1998; see also Prunet & Lazarian 1999).

6.4. Comparison with the CMB polarization

On the right panel of Fig. 9 we plot angular power spectrum of star light polarization. As we mentioned earlier, the angular spectrum of the degree of starlight polarization should be similar to that of polarized thermal dust emission (see Eqs. (28) and (29)).

To obtain angular spectra, we use a Gauss-Legendre quadrature integration method as described in Szapudi et al. (2001). To be specific, we first generate magnetic fields from the 3 models we considered in the previous subsection. Then, we calculate angular correlation functions, $K(\cos \theta)$. Finally, we obtain the angular spectra using Eq. (19). Since $C_l$ obtained in this way is very noisy, we plot $C_l$ averaged over the multipole range ($l/1.09, 1.09l$). We do not show $C_l$ for $l > 1000$ because it is too noisy even with the averaging process. We normalize the spectra using the condition $\sum_{l=2}^\infty l(l+1)C_l/2\pi = 3(\mu K^2)$. This normalization is based on the values given in Page et al. (2007; their Eq. (25)). We assume that the observed band is W-band ($\nu = 94 GHz$).

The plot shows that the slopes for nearby stars (thick solid line) and stars in the stratified medium are shallower than that of the Kolmogorov spectrum for $l < 1000$. This result is consistent with that obtained with the angular structure function. Note that the case of distant stars has much flatter spectrum for $l < 1000$. We believe that our toy model for the stratified medium (Case 3) better represents the actual situation for polarized emission from thermal dust in the Galactic halo. Therefore, we expect that the polarized thermal emission from thermal dust in high-latitude Galactic halo has a spectrum slightly shallower than the Kolmogorov spectrum for $l < 1000$. Our calculation do not tell us about the slopes for $l > 1000$. However, judging from the behavior of the angular structure function for $\theta < 0.1^\circ$, we expect that $C_l \propto l^{-1.5/3}$ for $l > 1000$ (see the straight dashed line for $l > 1000$ on the right panel of Fig. 9).

The Figure shows that the EE spectrum dominates polarized thermal dust emission from high-latitude Galactic halo for $l \gtrsim 100$. The EE spectrum is expected to be sub-dominant when $l > 5000$.

7. UNDERLYING SPECTRUM: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR REMOVING FOREGROUNDS

Removal of Galactic foregrounds has always been a big concern for CMB studies. The challenge is only going to increase substantially now, when CMB polarization studies are attempted.

The knowledge that the foreground are not an arbitrary noise, but have well defined statistical properties in terms of their spatial power spectra is an important additional information that can be utilized to evaluate and eventually eliminate the foreground contribution. Utilizing the information about underlying turbulence power spectrum is not straightforward, however. Our study shows that the observed power spectrum may depend on geometry of the emitting volume. Therefore, the detailed modeling of the foreground fluctuations should involve accounting for the geometry of the emitting volume.

The latter point stresses the synergy of the Galactic foreground and CMB studies. Indeed, our fitting of the power spectra in Fig. 6 shows that on the basis of its variations we may distinguish between different models of the emitting turbulent volume. As soon as this achieved, one can predict, for instance the level of fluctuations that are expected from the foreground at the scales smaller than those studied. A simplification that is expected at higher resolutions that are currently available, is that at sufficiently small scales the statistics should get independent of the large-scale distributions of the emitting matter.

Consider an example of utilization of this approach. As we know, Planck will sample the polarized foregrounds with the resolution of up to $l \sim 2000$ ($\delta \theta \sim 5^\circ$). For Planck high frequency coverage should help to remove the foregrounds with high accuracy. A higher resolution will be available, for instance, with balloon-borne missions, which in many cases will not have as many frequency channels as Planck does. However, our present work suggests that the contribution of the foregrounds to the spectrum measured by these high-resolution missions can be evaluated on the basis of our knowledge of the underlying spatial power spectrum.

Consider, for instance, Fig. 9. If Planck measures the spatial spectrum up to $l = 2000$, then for a higher resolution balloon mission one can evaluate the level of foreground contamination by extrapolating the expected foreground spectrum.

While most of the paper is directly related to making use of the knowledge of the underlying spectra and/or two points correlations in order to deal with the foreground, the part dealing with higher-order statistics is not directly related to the foreground removal. Nevertheless, our analysis shows that high-order correlations can also help in understanding of the properties of foregrounds.

8. HIGH-ORDER STATISTICS

High-order structure functions are used for the study of intermittency, which refers to the non-uniform distribution of structures. The structure functions of order $p$ for an observable $I$ is defined by

$$S_p(r) = \langle |I(x) - I(x+r)|^p \rangle,$$

(34)
where the angled brackets denote average over position $x$. For an observable defined in the plane of the sky, the angular structure function of order $p$ is

$$D_p(\theta) = \langle |\langle \mathbf{e}_1 \rangle - \langle \mathbf{e}_2 \rangle|^p \rangle,$$

where $\mathbf{e}_1$ and $\mathbf{e}_2$ are unit vectors along the lines of sight and $\theta$ is the angle between $\mathbf{e}_1$ and $\mathbf{e}_2$.

Traditionally, researchers use high-order structure functions of velocity to probe dissipation structures of turbulence. In fully developed hydrodynamic turbulence, the (longitudinal) velocity structure functions $S_p = \langle |\mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x} + \hat{r}) - \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x})|^p \rangle$ are expected to scale as $r^{\alpha_p}$. One of the key issues in this field is the functional form of the scaling exponents $\alpha_p$. There are several models for $\alpha_p$. Roughly speaking, the dimensionality of the energy dissipation structures plays an important role.

Assuming 1-dimensional worm-like dissipation structures, She & Leveque (1994) proposed a scaling relation

$$\alpha_p^{SL} = p/9 + 2[1-(2/3)^{p/3}]$$

for incompressible hydrodynamic turbulence. On the other hand, assuming 2-dimensional sheet-like dissipation structures, Müller & Biskamp (2000) proposed the relation

$$\alpha_p^{MB} = p/9 + 1-(1/3)^{p/3}$$

for incompressible magneto-hydrodynamic turbulence.

Recently, high-order structure functions of molecular line intensities have been also employed (Padoan et al. 2003; Gustafsson et al. 2006). In optically thin case, the molecular line intensities are proportional to the column density. Kowal, Lazarian, & Beresnyak (2007) studied scaling of density fluctuations in MHD turbulence. Their numerical results show that behavior of the scaling exponents for column density depends on sonic Mach number of turbulence.

The Haslam map shows a reasonable agreement with the Muller-Biskamp MHD model. In some sense this is natural because the synchrotron emission arises from MHD turbulence in the Galactic halo and roughly reflects the column density of cosmic-ray electrons. However, it is not clear why the column density shows a similar scaling as velocity. Note that Padoan et al. (2003) also obtained a similar result using $^{13}$CO emission from Perseus and Taurus. However, the physical origin may be different: their result may reflect existence of highly supersonic turbulence in those clouds.

Unlike the Haslam map, the dust map does not show agreement with existing models. The scaling exponents do not show strong dependence on the order $p$. Left and middle panels of Fig. 11 show that the slope is around 1 for high-order structure functions. This kind of behavior is expected when discrete structures dominate the map. However, it is not clear what kind of discrete structures dominate. Either thin filamentary structures or point sources could explain the behavior of the structure functions. Since the Haslam map and the dust map sample different types of the ISM, it is not surprising that they show different scaling behaviors.

For the Galactic disk, high-order structure functions of both maps show nearly flat structure functions. The structure functions show a nearly flat behavior even for $\theta \sim 1^\circ$, which means that the typical size or width of the dominant structures is $\sim 1^\circ$ or smaller. Again, this kind of behavior is expected when thin discrete filamentary structures or point-like sources dominate in the sky.
the Galactic disk. Note that, since the region of the sky we considered is only a thin stripe ($-2^\circ < b < 2^\circ$) along the Galactic disk, the calculation domain becomes 1D-like and it is possible that thin filaments and point sources of size $\lesssim 1^\circ$ can exhibit a slope flatter than $r^1$.

9. Discussion and Summary

In this paper, we have discussed the relation between 3D spatial spectrum and the observed angular spectrum (or the second-order angular structure function) of the CMB foreground emissions. We have focused on synchrotron total intensity and polarized thermal dust emission. Our current study, as well as earlier studies (Chepurnov 1999; CL02), predicts that $C_l$ will reveal true turbulence spectrum on small angular scales. Then, on what scales will we see the turbulence spectrum? Our model calculations that take into account stratification effects imply that

1. $\theta < a$ few times $0.1^\circ$ (or $l > a$ few times 100) for synchrotron emission (see Fig. 6), and
2. $\theta \lesssim 0.1^\circ$ (or $l \gtrsim 1000$) for polarized emission from thermal dust (see Fig. 9).

On larger angular scales, spectra are expected to be shallower.

Then, how is the turbulence spectrum related to the angular spectrum (or the second-order angular structure function) on small scales? When the 3D spatial spectrum has a power-law spectrum, $k^{-m}$, the observed angular spectrum and the second-order angular structure function will be

\[ C_l \propto l^{-m} \]  \hspace{1cm} (38)

\[ D_2(\theta) \propto \theta^{m-2} \]  \hspace{1cm} (39)

where $L$ is the outer scale of turbulence and $d_{\text{max}}$ is the distance to the farthest eddy in case of homogeneous turbulence. We can interpret $d_{\text{max}} \sim z_0$ if there is a stratification with scale height $z_0$ (see Fig. 6). When the angular separation is large, we have a universal scaling for the angular correlation function:

\[ K(\theta) \propto \frac{\pi - \theta}{\sin \theta} \sim \frac{1}{\theta^2} \]  \hspace{1cm} (40)

In this limit, the structure function is roughly proportional to $l^{-1}$.

In this paper, we have analyzed Haslam 408MHz map and a model dust emission map and compared the results with model calculations. We have found that

1. The Haslam map for high galactic latitude ($b > 30^\circ$) can be explained by MHD turbulence in the Galactic halo. The measured second-order angular structure function is proportional to $\theta^{-2}$, which corresponds to an angular spectrum of $l^{-3/2}$. The high-order statistics for high galactic latitude ($b > 30^\circ$) is consistent with that of incompressible magnetohydrodynamic turbulence. Our model calculations show that a two-component model (see §4.2 and Fig 6) can naturally explain the observed angular spectrum. The one-component model can also explain the observed slope. But, the slope of the spectrum shows a more abrupt change near $l \sim 30$.

2. The model dust emission map may not have anything to do with turbulence on large angular scales. That is, we do not find signatures of turbulence in the map.

3. Both maps show flat high-order structure functions for the Galactic plane. This kind of behavior is expected when discrete structures dominate the map.

We have described how we can obtain angular spectrum of polarized emission from thermal dust in high galactic latitude regions. Our model calculations show that starlight polarization arising from dust in high galactic latitude regions will have a Kolmogorov spectrum, $C_l \propto l^{-11/3}$, for $l \gtrsim 1000$ and a shallower spectrum for $l \lesssim 1000$ (Fig 9). We expect that polarized emission from the same dust also has a similar angular spectrum. That is, we expect that the angular spectrum of polarized emission from thermal dust is close to a Kolmogorov one for $l \gtrsim 1000$.

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14 In 1D space, a “point-source” produces completely flat structure functions.
the Muller-Biskamp model. We measure the slope between \( b > 30^\circ \) for all calculations. \textbf{Left}: The second, third, 5th, and 8th-order structure functions for \( b > 30^\circ \). \textbf{Middle}: The scaling exponents for \( b > 30^\circ \) does not show signatures of turbulence. We measure the slope between \( \theta = 1^\circ \) and \( 10^\circ \). \textbf{Right}: The second, third, 5th, and 8th-order structure functions for the Galactic disk \( (-2^\circ \leq b \leq 2^\circ) \). They are all flat.

**APPENDIX**

\[ K(\theta) = \int dl_1 \int dl_2 |K_1 - l_2|, \]  
\[ K_1 = l_1 + l_2 \cos \theta \]

where \( K(r) \) is the 3 dimensional spatial correlation. Suppose that \( l_1 \) is along x-axis, \( l_1 = (l_1, 0, 0) \), and \( l_2 = l_2(\cos \theta, \sin \theta) \). Then, the correlation in the limit of small \( \theta \) is given by

\[ K(\theta) = \int dl_1 \int dl_2 K_1 \left( \sqrt{(l_1 - l_2 \cos \theta)^2 + l_2^2 \sin^2 \theta} \right) \]  
\[ = \int dl_1 \int dl_2 K_1 \left( l_2^2 \sin^2 \theta \right) \]
where Kolmogorov, we use

\[ K(\theta) \propto - \int du \int dw \left[ w^2 + u^2 \theta^2 / 4 \right]^{p/2-1} u^2 \theta / 2 \]

where \( u = l_1 + l_2 \) and \( w = l_1 - l_2 \). If \( p \leq 1 \), the integration diverges as \( \theta \) goes to zero\(^3\). Therefore, when \( p \leq 1 \), it suffices to perform the integration in the vicinity of \( l_1 = l_2 \) or \( w = 0 \). Then we have

\[ K(\theta) \propto - \int du \int dw \left[ w^2 + u^2 \theta^2 / 4 \right]^{p/2-1} \theta^p \]

where we use \( \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} dw \sec^2 2n \theta \). Therefore, for small \( \theta \) we have

\[ K(\theta) \propto C_1 - C_2 \theta^{p+1}, \tag{A9} \]

where \( C_1 \) and \( C_2 \) are constants. Comparing this equation with

\[ K(\theta) = C_3 - C_4 D_2(\theta), \tag{A10} \]

we get

\[ D_2(\theta) \propto \theta^{p+1}. \tag{A11} \]

Analytic expressions for the relation between the angular structure function \( D_2 \) and the spatial 1D spectrum \( E(k) \); in case of Kolmogorov, \( E(k) \propto k^{-5/3} \) can be found in the literature. For example, Lazarian (1995a; see also Lazarian & Shutenkov 1990) derived the following expression:

\[ E(k) \propto k \int_0^\mathcal{L}/R d\eta \frac{d}{d\eta} Q(\eta)\eta J_1(kR\eta) + K_3, \tag{A12} \]

where \( \mathcal{L} \) can be regarded as the outer scale of turbulence, \( R \) is the size of the system, \( Q(\eta) \sim D_2(\eta) \eta, \eta = \sin \theta, J_1(x) \) is the Bessel function of the first order, and \( K_3 \) is a small correction term.

\[ \text{B. SPATIAL SPECTRUM OF EMISSIVITY} \]

The synchrotron emissivity is proportional to \( \sim n(e)B^2 \propto B^2 \), where \( n(e) \) is the high-energy electron number density. Suppose that magnetic field is roughly a Gaussian random variable. This may not be exactly true, but should be a good approximation. When a Gaussian random variable \( B(r)\) follows a Kolmogorov spectrum

\[ E_{B,3D} \equiv |\vec{B}(k)|^2 \propto \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } k \leq k_0 \\ \left(k/k_0\right)^{-11/3} & \text{if } k \geq k_0, \end{cases} \tag{B1} \]

we can show that the 3D spectrum of \( B^2(r) \) follows Eq.\,(18) (see, for example, Chepurnov 1999). The correlation of \( B^2(r) \) and 3D energy spectrum of \( B^2(r) \) are related by

\[ \langle B^2(\mathbf{x})B^2(\mathbf{x}+\mathbf{r}) \rangle \propto \int E_{B,3D}(\mathbf{k})e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}}d^3\mathbf{k}, \tag{B2} \]

\[ E_{B^2,3D}(\mathbf{k}) \equiv |\vec{B}^2(k)|^2 \propto \int K_{B^2}(\mathbf{r})e^{-i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}}d^3\mathbf{r}, \tag{B3} \]

where \( \langle \ldots \rangle \) denotes an average over \( \mathbf{x} \). A Gaussian random variable satisfies

\[ \langle B^2(\mathbf{x})B^2(\mathbf{x}+\mathbf{r}) \rangle = \langle B^2(\mathbf{x}) \rangle \langle B^2(\mathbf{x}+\mathbf{r}) \rangle + 2 \langle B(\mathbf{x})B(\mathbf{x}+\mathbf{r}) \rangle \approx 2 \langle B(\mathbf{x}) \rangle^2, \tag{B4} \]

where the first term on the right is a constant. Therefore we can ignore the term in what follows. Fourier transform of both sides results in

\[ \text{LHS} = E_{B^2,3D}(\mathbf{k}), \tag{B5} \]

\[ \text{RHS} = 2 \int \langle B(\mathbf{x})B(\mathbf{x}+\mathbf{r}) \rangle e^{-i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{r}}d^3\mathbf{r} \tag{B6} \]

\(^{15}\) When \( p = 1 \), the spatial correlation becomes \( K(r) \propto C - r \), where \( C \) is a constant. The corresponding 3D spectrum is \( E(k) \propto k^{-4} \). When the slope of the turbulence spectrum is steeper than \( k^{-4} \), the correlation function has the form \( K(r) \propto K_0 - r^{p+1} \) regardless of the turbulence slope. On the other hand, when the three-dimensional spectrum of turbulence is shallower than \( k^{-4} \), we have \( K(r) \propto K_0 - r^{p-3} \), where \( K_0 \sim L^{p-3} \) is a constant. Therefore, the condition of \( p \leq 1 \) is generally satisfied in turbulent medium.

\(^{16}\) For simplicity, we assume \( B \) is a scalar.
where $\delta(k)$ is the Dirac $\delta$-function. Therefore we have
\begin{equation}
E_{B_{3D}}(k) \approx E_{B_{3D}}(0) \approx 2 \int d^3 k |E_{B_{3D}}(k)|^2 \approx \text{constant}
\end{equation}
for $k \ll k_0$. 
