Weak lensing in non-statistically isotropic universes

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The Bipolar Spherical Harmonics (BipoSH) form a natural basis to study the CMB two point correlation function in a non-statistically isotropic (non-SI) universe. The coefficients of expansion in this basis are a generalization of the well known CMB angular power spectrum and contain complete information of the statistical properties of a non-SI but Gaussian random CMB sky. We use these coefficients to describe the weak lensing of CMB photons in a non-SI universe. Finally we show that the results reduce to the standard weak lensing results in the isotropic limit.

I. INTRODUCTION

We assume the CMB temperature anisotropies to be Gaussian, which is in good agreement with current CMB observations. Consequently the two point correlation function contains complete information about the underlying CMB temperature field. Generically, the two point correlation function can be expressed in terms of the spherical harmonic coefficients of CMB temperature maps as follows,

\[ C(\hat{n}_1, \hat{n}_2) = \langle \Delta T(\hat{n}_1) \Delta T(\hat{n}_2) \rangle, \]
\[ = \sum_{l,m,m'} (a_{lm}a^*_{l'm'}) Y_{lm}(\hat{n}_1) Y^*_{l'm'}(\hat{n}_2), \]

where \( a_{lm} \) is commonly referred to as the covariance matrix.

Now, if one assumes the universe to be statistically isotropic (SI), it can be argued that the two point correlation function of the CMB temperature field cannot have any explicit dependence on the directions \( \hat{n}_1 \) and \( \hat{n}_2 \) and hence can only depend on the angular separation between the two directions,

\[ C(\hat{n}_1, \hat{n}_2) = C(\hat{n}_1 \cdot \hat{n}_2) = C(\theta), \]

where \( \theta = \cos^{-1}(\hat{n}_1 \cdot \hat{n}_2) \) is the angular distance between the two directions. This correlation function can be expanded in the Legendre polynomial \( P_l \) basis as follows,

\[ C(\hat{n}_1, \hat{n}_2) = \sum_{l} \frac{2l + 1}{4\pi} C_l P_l(\hat{n}_1 \cdot \hat{n}_2), \]

where CMB angular power spectrum \( C_l \) is the coefficient of expansion in this basis. It can be shown that \( C_l \) is related to the covariance matrix through the following expression,

\[ C_l = \langle a_{lm} a^*_{l'm'} \rangle \delta_{l'l} \delta_{mm'}, \]

implying that in a SI universe the complete statistical information on the CMB field is encoded in the diagonal elements of the covariance matrix.

II. DESCRIBING A NON-STATISTICALLY ISOTROPIC UNIVERSE

If we make no assumption about a SI universe, then the two point correlation function explicitly depends on the directions \( \hat{n}_1 \) and \( \hat{n}_2 \). This property reflects itself in harmonic space, as non-vanishing off-diagonal elements in the covariance matrix. This implies that the angular power spectrum by itself cannot fully characterizes the statistical properties of a non-SI CMB sky. In fact, searches for non-vanishing off-diagonal elements in the covariance matrix forms the basis of all tests searching for violations of isotropy.

In a non-SI universe the two point correlation is best expressed in terms of a basis which has this explicit bi-directional dependence. The natural choice is then that of the Bipolar Spherical Harmonic (BipoSH) functions \( 1, 2 \), which form a complete orthonormal basis for functions defined on \( S^2 \times S^2 \). The two point correlation function for any non-SI field can be expanded in the BipoSH basis as follows,

\[ C(\hat{n}_1, \hat{n}_2) = \sum_{LM} A_{l_1l_2}^{L0} \langle Y_{l_1}(\hat{n}_1) \otimes Y_{l_2}(\hat{n}_2) \rangle_{LM}. \]

where \( A_{l_1l_2}^{L0} \) are the coefficients of expansion in the BipoSH basis. The BipoSH basis functions themselves, can be expressed in terms of the standard spherical harmonic functions \( Y_{lm} \) as,

\[ \langle Y_{l_1}(\hat{n}_1) \otimes Y_{l_2}(\hat{n}_2) \rangle_{LM} = \sum_{m_1m_2} C_{l_1m_1l_2m_2}^{L0} Y_{l_1m_1}(\hat{n}_1) Y_{l_2m_2}(\hat{n}_2), \]

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where $C_{l_{1}m_{1}l_{2}m_{2}}^{LM}$ are the Clebsch-Gordon coefficients. We refer to $L$ as BipoSH multipoles and $l_{1}, l_{2}$ as spherical harmonic (SH) multipoles. The Clebsch-Gordon coefficients are defined only when their indices satisfy the following constraint equations,

$$\begin{align*}
|l_{1} - l_{2}| &\leq L \leq l_{1} + l_{2}, \\
m_{1} + m_{2} &= M, \\
-l_{1} &\leq m_{1} \leq l_{1}, \\
-l_{2} &\leq m_{2} \leq l_{2}.
\end{align*}$$

Using the orthonormality property of the BipoSH basis functions, it can be shown that the BipoSH spectra $A_{l_{1}l_{2}}^{LM}$ are related to the covariance matrix as follows,

$$A_{l_{1}l_{2}}^{LM} = \sum_{m_{1}m_{2}} \langle a_{l_{1}m_{1}} a_{l_{2}m_{2}} \rangle C_{l_{1}m_{1}l_{2}m_{2}}^{LM}. \quad (8)$$

As evident from the above equation, all the information in the covariance matrix is captured in the BipoSH spectra. Specifically it can be shown that the BipoSH spectrum $A_{00}^{00}$ is related to the CMB angular power spectrum as follows,

$$A_{00}^{00} = (-1)^{l} \Pi_{\ell} C_{\ell}, \quad (9)$$

where $\Pi_{\ell} = \sqrt{2\ell + 1}$. Therefore, the BipoSH spectra are a generalization to the commonly studied CMB angular power spectrum. To summarize, while the BipoSH spectra are the Clebsch-Gordon coefficients of a map. We will discuss how these completely generically defined quantities are related to some cosmological observables in a later section of this article.

### III. WEAK LENSING OF THE CMB TEMPERATURE FIELD

The CMB photons reach the observer after traversing through the intervening large-scale structures (LSS). This results in the CMB photons deviating from their geodesics in the unperturbed Friedmann-Lemaitre-Robertson-Walker (FLRW) metric. We work with the approximation that the deviations from the geodesics are small, such that the photons sample the same gravitational potentials as they would have along the unperturbed trajectories, termed the Born approximation \[8\].

Weak lensing of the CMB photons results in the CMB temperature map getting remapped,

$$\tilde{T}(\hat{n}) = T(\hat{n} + \Delta), \quad (12)$$

where $\Delta$ is the deflection to the direction of photon arrival. On solving the photon geodesic equation under the Born approximation it can be show that $\Delta$ is related to the projected lensing potential $\psi$ as follows,

$$\tilde{\Delta}(\hat{n}) = \nabla \psi(\hat{n}). \quad (13)$$

The projected lensing potential $\psi$ is expressed as a weighted sum of the gravitational potential encountered by the photon along its trajectory,

$$\psi(\hat{n}) = \int_{\eta_{0}}^{\eta} d\eta \left[ \frac{\eta_{0} - \eta}{\eta_{0} \eta} \right] \phi(\eta, \hat{n}), \quad (14)$$

where $\eta$ is the angular diameter distance which is identical to the comoving distance in a flat universe and $\phi(\eta, \hat{n})$ is the gravitational potential encountered by the photon coming in from direction $\hat{n}$ at a comoving distance of $\eta$.

Analogous to the CMB temperature field the projected lensing potential is a Gaussian random field defined on a sphere and thus in harmonic space

$$\psi_{kn}(\hat{n}) = \sum_{kn} \psi_{kn} Y_{kn}(\hat{n}), \quad (15)$$

$$C_{k}^{\psi \psi} = \langle \psi_{kn} \psi_{kn'} \rangle \delta_{kk'} \delta_{nn'}, \quad (16)$$

where $\psi_{kn}$ denotes the spherical harmonic coefficients of the lensing potential and $C_{k}^{\psi \psi}$ the corresponding angular power spectrum in a SI universe.

In a non-SI universe the statistical properties of $\psi$ are characterized by the following BipoSH spectra,

$$\Psi_{kn}^{KN}(\hat{n}_{1}, \hat{n}_{2}) = \sum_{n_{1}n_{2}} \langle \psi_{kn_{1}} \psi_{kn_{2}} \rangle C_{k}^{KN} \delta_{nn_{1}} \delta_{nn_{2}}, \quad (17)$$

where the BipoSH coefficient $\Psi_{kn}^{KN}$ ($\forall K \neq 0$) encodes the information in the off-diagonal components of the harmonic space covariance matrix of the projected lensing field.

Weak lensing of the CMB photons through the intervening LSS leave measurable imprints on the CMB two point correlation function. Specifically lensing introduces
IV. BIPOSH REPRESENTATION OF A LENSED CMB SKY

Since we measure the lensed CMB sky, while modeling the two point correlation we must account for the weak lensing induced modifications to the statistics of the map. As discussed in the previous section, lensing remaps the temperature field. Given the statistics of the projected lensing potential $\psi$, it is possible to evaluate the lensing modifications to the BipoSH spectra.

Since the deflection $\Delta$ is small, we can Taylor expand and express the lensed temperature field $\tilde{T}(\hat{n})$ in terms of the unlensed temperature field $T(\hat{n})$ and the deflection field $\Delta(\hat{n})$. In order to evaluate the lensing modifications to the two point correlation of the CMB temperature field we retain terms which are at most second order in deflections. Hence to leading order terms in the deflection field $\Delta(\hat{n})$, the lensed temperature field $\tilde{T}$ can be expressed in terms of the unlensed temperature field $T$ as follows,

$$\tilde{T}(\hat{n}) = T(\hat{n} + \Delta),$$
$$\approx T(\hat{n}) + \nabla^a \psi(\hat{n}) \nabla_a T(\hat{n})$$
$$+ \frac{1}{2} \nabla^a \psi(\hat{n}) \nabla^b \psi(\hat{n}) \nabla_a \nabla_b T(\hat{n}) + O(\psi^3). \tag{18}$$

In the above equation we have used the fact that the deflection field $\Delta(\hat{n})$ is related to the gradient of the projected lensing potential. Consequently, the two point correlation of the lensed temperature field can be expressed as follows,

$$\langle \tilde{T}(\hat{n}_1) \tilde{T}(\hat{n}_2) \rangle = \langle T(\hat{n}_1 + \Delta_1) T(\hat{n}_2 + \Delta_2) \rangle$$
$$= \langle T(\hat{n}_1) T(\hat{n}_2) \rangle + \langle \nabla^a \psi(\hat{n}_1) \nabla_a T(\hat{n}_1) T(\hat{n}_2) \rangle + \langle \nabla^a \psi(\hat{n}_2) \nabla_a T(\hat{n}_2) T(\hat{n}_1) \rangle$$
$$+ \frac{1}{2} \langle \nabla^a \psi(\hat{n}_1) \nabla^b \psi(\hat{n}_2) \nabla_a \nabla_b T(\hat{n}_1) T(\hat{n}_2) \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \langle \nabla^a \psi(\hat{n}_2) \nabla^b \psi(\hat{n}_2) \nabla_a \nabla_b T(\hat{n}_2) T(\hat{n}_1) \rangle. \tag{19}$$

Here we follow the Einstein summation convention, i.e., repeated indices of sky coordinates are summed over.

We make a small diversion to discuss some subtle assumptions we have made in the analysis that follows.

- We emphasize the point that unlike the CMB temperature field, we do not treat the projected lensing potential as a stochastic field, instead we treat it as a constant field around an observer. This is justified by the fact that we are surrounded by a particular realization of the LSS and we see the CMB through this particular realization.

- Since the averaging is done over a single realization, the term linear in the projected lensing potential $\psi$ does not vanish.

$$\langle \tilde{T}(\hat{n}_1) \tilde{T}(\hat{n}_2) \rangle = \langle T(\hat{n}_1) T(\hat{n}_2) \rangle + \nabla^a \psi(\hat{n}_1) \nabla_a T(\hat{n}_1) \langle T(\hat{n}_2) \rangle + \nabla^a \psi(\hat{n}_2) \nabla_a T(\hat{n}_2) \langle T(\hat{n}_1) \rangle$$
$$+ \nabla_a \nabla_b \langle \psi(\hat{n}_1) \psi(\hat{n}_2) \rangle \nabla_a \nabla_b \langle T(\hat{n}_1) T(\hat{n}_2) \rangle + \frac{1}{2} \nabla_a \nabla_b \langle \psi(\hat{n}_1) \psi(\hat{n}_2) \rangle \nabla_a \nabla_b \langle T(\hat{n}_1) T(\hat{n}_2) \rangle$$
$$+ \nabla_a \nabla_b \langle \psi(\hat{n}_2) \psi(\hat{n}_2) \rangle \nabla_a \nabla_b \langle T(\hat{n}_2) T(\hat{n}_1) \rangle. \tag{20}$$

where the gradient now operates on the ensemble averages of the field, which can be expressed in the BipoSH
basis. Note that the terms which are linear in $\psi$ are written explicitly without the ensemble averaging. We reiterate that while dealing with terms which are first order in $\psi$ the projected lensing potential is not treated as a stochastic field, instead it is thought of as a constant field.

For notational convenience, we identify each of the terms in the two point correlations in the above equation as,

$$\hat{A} = A + (\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) + \beta + (\gamma_1 + \gamma_2),$$

$$A = A + \alpha + \beta + \gamma,$$

where $\alpha$ denotes the terms linear in the lensing potential $\psi$, $\beta$ denotes terms which are quadratic in $\psi$ but consist of only first derivative of the temperature field and $\gamma$ denotes terms which are quadratic in $\psi$ but consist of double derivative of the temperature field. Next, we express Eq. 20 in harmonic space, by expressing each two point correlation in the BipoSH basis. The transverse gradients now operate on these basis functions. A detailed demonstration of this procedure can be found in Appendix A.

Finally this relates the BipoSH coefficients $\hat{A}^{LM}_{i,l_2}$ of the lensed temperature field to the unlensed temperature BipoSH coefficients $A^{LM}_{i,l_2}$ through the BipoSH coefficients for the lensing deflection field $\Psi^{LM}$,

$$\hat{A}^{LM}_{i,l_2} = A^{LM}_{i,l_2} + \left[ \alpha^{LM}_{i,l_2} + 2 \beta^{LM}_{i,l_2} \right] ,$$

$$= A^{LM}_{i,l_2} + \alpha^{LM}_{i,l_2} (\psi_{kn}, A^{LM}_{k,l}) + \beta^{LM}_{i,l_2} (\Psi^{KN}_{k,l} \Pi_{l_2} A^{LM'}_{l_2}, \gamma^{LM}_{i,l_2} (\Psi^{KN}_{k,l} \Pi_{l_2} A^{LM'}_{l_2}),$$

$$\text{where } \alpha^{LM}_{i,l_2} = \text{the lensing correction term which is first order in } \psi \text{ and } (\beta^{LM}_{i,l_2}, \gamma^{LM}_{i,l_2}) \text{ are the lensing correction terms which are second order in } \psi.$$

In the following sections we evaluate each of these terms explicitly and discuss their consequences.

A. First order correction terms

We begin by evaluating the lensing correction to the BipoSH coefficient arising due to the term which is linear in the lensing field $\psi(\tilde{n})$. The linear order correction is given by the following expression,

$$\hat{A}^{LM}_{i,l_2} = \left[ \psi_{LM} \right] C_{l_1} F(l_1, L, l_2) + C_{l_2} F(l_2, L, l_1) \Pi_{l_2} \Pi_{l_2} \gamma^{LM}_{i,l_2}$$

$$+ \sum_{i_1} \psi_{kn} \sum_{m_1, m_2} C_{m_1, m_2}^{LM} \sum_{l'/m_2, m_2} A_{l_2, l_2}^{l'/m_2, m_2} C_{l_2, m_2}^{l'/m_2, m_2} \times I_{i_1, l_1}^{m_1, m_2} + A_{l_2, l_2}^{l'/m_2, m_2} C_{l_2, m_2}^{l'/m_2, m_2},$$

$$\text{where the first term is assuming the underlying unlensed temperature field to be SI i.e. } L' \neq 0 \text{ while the second term is the non-SI term. The integral } I_{i_1, l_1}^{m_1, m_2} \text{ in the above equation can be solved to yield the following expression,}$$

$$I_{i_1, l_1}^{m_1, m_2} = \int d\hat{n}_1 Y_{kn}^* Y_{l_2, m_1} Y_{l_2, m_2} Y_{l_2, m_2},$$

$$\text{where } F(l_3, k, l_1) = C_{l_3} = 2 \left( l_3(l_3 + 1) + k(k + 1) - l_1(l_1 + 1) \right) / 2.$$

The first thing to note in Eq. 23 is that this term vanishes on taking an average over the lensing field $\psi_{kn}$. However while making observations of the CMB sky we are surrounded by a single realization of the large scale structure and hence in practice it is this single realization of the LSS that biases our observations.

In Eq. 23, the first term results from the isotropic component of the CMB sky whose statistical properties are fully specified by the angular power spectrum. Examining the first term also yields the fact that the BipoSH coefficients derived from the lensed CMB sky, even in a statistically isotropic universe, will be rendered non-zero due to weak lensing. While the amplitude of the BipoSH spectra is determined by the magnitude of the projected lensing potential, the spectral shape of the signal is completely determined by the CMB angular power spectra. It can also be seen that there are no corrections to the power spectrum arising from this term, since $\alpha_{i_1}^{l_2}$ identically vanishes.

The second term describes the coupling between various BipoSH spectra due to weak lensing. It is not possible to extract much information from this term without assuming a particular model of isotropy violation.

Estimators for lensing variables.

As is evident from the above discussion, the BipoSH coefficients encode information about the projected lensing potential. It is possible to derive an estimator for the projected lensing field and the corresponding power spectra in terms of quantities derived from BipoSH coefficients which can be measured from observations of CMB temperature maps. The projected lensing potential is expressed in terms of the bipolar maps defined in Eq. 10 through the following expression,

$$\hat{\psi}_{LM} = \int \frac{d^2 n_1}{4\pi} R_{LM}^{L_1 L_2}.$$
Note that $\kappa_L$ is a biased estimate of the lensing power spectrum. Hence studying the two point correlation of the CMB temperature field in the BipoSH basis very naturally leads to estimators for the lensing variables (the lensing field $\psi_{L,M}$ and the lensing field power spectrum $C_{L}^{\psi \psi}$). These constructions are similar to the lensing estimators proposed in [11], though the ones presented here are not optimal in the sense that they do not minimize the variance on the reconstructed lens harmonics $\psi_{L,M}$.

The above discussion is fully valid for lensing reconstruction in a SI universe. This scheme of lensing reconstruction is approximate for a non-SI universe. For this scheme to be valid in a non-SI universe it is necessary that the second term in Eq. 23 is significantly smaller than the first. This may be the case since $C_l$ is always larger than the other BipoSH spectra in a non-SI universe. While in a SI universe the BipoSH spectra measured from the unlensed CMB sky can be directly used to infer the lensing potential, in a non-SI universe it will be necessary to subtract the BipoSH spectra of the unlensed CMB sky from the measured BipoSH spectra in order to estimate the lensing potential.

B. Second order correction terms

We now evaluate the other correction terms to the lensed temperature BipoSH coefficients in Eq. 22 which are $\beta_{l_1 l_2}^{LM}$ and $\gamma_{l_1 l_2}^{LM}$. Both these terms are second order in the projected lensing potential $\psi$. In the most general scenario, these terms are functions of the BipoSH coefficients of the projected lensing potential and that of the unlensed temperature field. Interestingly, the $\gamma$ term, like the first order correction term $\alpha$, comprises of two symmetrical terms arising from ensemble averaging along all line of sights. However, because of the complexity of the second order contribution of the lensing potential, the integral in the $\gamma$ term is more involved.

\[
\beta_{l_1 l_2}^{LM} = \sum_{KNk_1 k_2} \Psi_{k_1 k_2}^{KN} \sum_{n_1 n_2} C_{k_1 n_1 k_2 n_2}^{KN} \sum_{L'M' l_1 l_4} A_{l_1 l_4}^{L'M'} \sum_{m_3 m_4} C_{l_3 m_3 l_4 m_4}^{L'M'} \sum_{m_1 m_2} C_{l_1 m_1 l_2 m_2}^{LM} f_{m_1 n_1 m_3} f_{m_2 n_2 m_4}^{m_1 n_1 m_3} f_{m_2 n_2 m_4}^{m_1 n_1 m_3},
\]

\[
\gamma_{l_1 l_2}^{LM} = 1 \gamma_{l_1 l_2}^{LM} + 2 \gamma_{l_1 l_2}^{LM},
\]

where the term $J_{l_1 k_1 l_2 k_2}^{m_1 n_1 m_2 n_2}$ is the following integral,

\[
J_{l_1 k_1 l_2 k_2}^{m_1 n_1 m_2 n_2} = \int d\hat{n}_1 Y_{l_1}^{*} \Psi_{k_1}^{n_1} (\hat{n}_1) Y_{l_2}^{m_1} (\hat{n}_1) Y_{k_2}^{m_2} (\hat{n}_1) Y_{m_3} \hat{n}_2 (\hat{n}_1).
\]

The evaluation of this integral is illustrated in Appendix B. This integral can be explicitly evaluated in terms of Clebsch-Gordon coefficients and is given by the following expression,

\[
J_{l_1 k_1 l_2 k_2}^{m_1 n_1 m_2 n_2} = \frac{a_{l_1} a_{k_1} a_{l_2} a_{k_2}}{4\pi} \sum_{m_3} C_{k_1 n_1 k_2 n_2}^{l_1 l_2} C_{l_2 m_3}^{m_1 m_2} \sum_{k_{l_3}} C_{k_{l_3} m_3}^{l_1 l_2} \left\{1 + (-1)^{k_{l_3} + k_{l_2} - k}\right\} + b_{l_1} b_{k_1} b_{k_2} C_{l_1 l_2}^{l_1 l_2} \left\{1 + (-1)^{k_{l_1} + k_{l_2} + l_1 + l_2}\right\},
\]

where $a_k = \sqrt{(k + 1)/2}$ and $b_k = \sqrt{(k - 1)(k + 2)/2}$.

Reproducing standard lensing results.

If one assumes that the unlensed temperature field and the projected lensing potential to be SI, then it is expected that we recover the standard weak lensing modifications to the CMB angular power spectra. In the SI case the only BipoSH modes that would contribute are with indices $L' = 0$ and $K = 0$ in Equations 27a and 27b and we show that this enforces the second order correc-
tion terms to reduce to the standard lensing results with $L = 0$ and $l_1 = l_2$ as seen in the following expressions,

$$\beta_{l_1 l_2}^{LM} = (-1)^{l_1 + l_2} \pi_{l_1} \delta L_0 \delta M_0 \delta l_1 l_2 \sum_{l_1 l_2} C_{l_1 l_2}^{\psi \psi} C_{l_1 l_2}$$

$$\times \left[ \frac{F(l_1, k_1, l_3) \Pi_{k_1} \Pi_{k_2} c^{l_0}_{0,0} \delta l_0 l_3 \delta l_1 l_2}{\Pi_{l_1}} \right]^2,$$

(30)

$$\gamma_{l_1 l_2}^{LM} = (-1)^{l_1 + l_2 + 1} \pi_{l_1} \delta L_0 \delta M_0 \delta l_1 l_2 \left( l_1 (l_1 + 1) C_{l_1} \right)$$

$$\times \left[ \sum_{l_1} k_1 (l_1 + 1) (2k_1 + 1) \frac{C_{l_1}}{8 \pi} \right],$$

(31)

The delta functions in the above equations reduces Eq. 22 to the SI lensed angular power spectrum for which the only non-vanishing BipoSH coefficients are of the form $A_{l_1 l_2}^{00} = (-1)^{l_1} \pi_{l_1} C_{l_1}$. The weak lensing correction to these terms is only due to the terms which are second order in the lensing potential, i.e., $\beta_{l_1 l_2}^{00}$ and $\gamma_{l_1 l_2}^{00}$. The first order correction term does not contribute to the lensed angular power spectrum when the unlensed temperature field is considered to be SI. Hence using the correction terms given in Eq. 30 & Eq. 31 in Eq. 22 yields an expression for the lensed CMB angular power spectrum $C_l$ in terms of the unlensed CMB angular power spectrum $C_l$ and the projected lensing potential power spectrum $C_{l_1}^{\psi \psi}$.

$$C_l = C_l - R l_1 (l_1 + 1) C_{l_1} + \sum_{l_1 l_2} C_{l_1}^{\psi \psi} C_{l_2}$$

$$\times \left[ \frac{F(l_1, k_1, l_2) \Pi_{k_1} \Pi_{k_2} c^{l_0}_{0,0} \delta l_0 l_3 \delta l_1 l_2}{\Pi_{l_1}} \right]^2,$$

(32)

where,

$$R = \sum_{l_1} k_1 (l_1 + 1) (2k_1 + 1) \frac{C_{l_1}}{8 \pi}$$

(33)

This result matches exactly with the expression derived for the lensed CMB temperature power spectrum in existing literature [10] and serves as a consistency check for the formalism discussed in this article.

V. MODIFICATIONS TO THE CMB ANGULAR POWER SPECTRUM

The most general expression for the lensing modification to BipoSH spectra is given in Eq. 22 where the individual correction terms are given in Eqs. 23, 27a and 27b. These lensed BipoSH spectra $A_{l_1 l_2}^{LM}$ arise due to coupling of BipoSH spectra $A_{l_1 l_2}^{LM}$ of the non-SI unlensed temperature field and the BipoSH spectra describing the non-SI lensing potential. Here we explore the contribution of these non-SI terms to the lensed CMB angular power spectrum.

It is generally believed that searching for off-diagonal power in the harmonic space covariance matrix is the only way to detect deviations from SI. However weak lensing mediates a coupling of power between the diagonal and off-diagonal components of the covariance matrix. Hence in a non-SI universe there could be modifications to the CMB angular power spectrum due to mixing of power between the diagonal and off-diagonal elements of the covariance matrix. In principle these non-standard deviations could be used to test for deviations from SI.

To quantify the effects of non-SI on the lensed CMB temperature power spectrum we evaluate the lensing modification to the BipoSH spectrum $A_{l_1 l_2}^{LM}$. Evaluation of Eq. 22 for the BipoSH modes $L = 0$ results in the following expression,

$$A_{l_1 l_2}^{00} = A_{l_1 l_2}^{00} + \alpha_{l_1 l_2}^{00} (\Psi_{k_1 k_2}, A_{l_1 l_2}^{LM}) + \beta_{l_1 l_2}^{00} (\Psi_{k_1 k_2}, A_{l_1 l_2}^{LM}) + \gamma_{l_1 l_2}^{00} (\Psi_{k_1 k_2}, A_{l_1 l_2}^{LM})$$

$$\tilde{C}_{l_1} = C_{l_1} + \frac{(-1)^{l_1}}{\Pi_{l_1}} [\alpha_{l_1 l_1}^{00} + \beta_{l_1 l_1}^{00} + \gamma_{l_1 l_1}^{00}]$$

(34)

We consider three scenarios, first we consider the case where the CMB sky at the surface of last scattering is SI but the lensing potential is non-SI, next we consider the case where the CMB sky at the surface of last scattering is non-SI but the lensing potential is SI and finally we evaluate the case when both the CMB at the surface of last scattering and the lensing potential are non-SI.

In the first case, the unlensed CMB sky is SI implying that only $L' = 0$ BipoSH spectra are non-vanishing; however the lensing potential is non-SI which means that all BipoSH spectra $K \in [0, 1, 2, 3, \cdots]$ contribute. However, using properties of the Clebsch-Gordon coefficients [12] it can be shown that setting $L' = 0$ results in only $K = 0$ BipoSH spectra of the lensing potential contributing in all the terms $\alpha$, $\beta$, and $\gamma$. In particular we find that the contribution from the first order term $\beta_{l_1 l_2}^{00}$ vanishes while the contribution from the second order terms $\beta_{l_1 l_2}^{00}$ and $\gamma_{l_1 l_2}^{00}$ reduce to the standard lensing terms as in Eq. 32.

In the next case we have the lensing potential to be SI implying contributions only from $K = 0$ BipoSH spectra and a non-SI underlying unlensed CMB power spectrum which mean that in principle any BipoSH mode $L' \in [0, 1, 2, 3, \cdots]$ could contribute. In this case too, setting $K = 0$ and using the properties of the Clebsch-Gordon coefficients, it can be shown that only $L' = 0$ mode can contribute. This again results in the correction terms reducing to the standard lensing results.

Thus we see that the corrections to the power spectrum due to non-SI power vanishes on either the lensing potential being SI or the CMB at surface of last scattering being SI. These two cases are significant as it shows that late time non-SI power generation in the lensing potential, for example from direction dependent dark energy, does not effect the angular power spectrum. Therefore any non-standard lensing induced modification to the angular power spectrum in a non-SI universe can only be at second order in the parameter characterizing the deviation from isotropy.
Finally we consider the case where the lensing potential as well as the unlensed CMB sky are non-SI. The terms in Eq. 34 which contribute to non-standard correction to the angular power spectrum $C_l$ are for $L' \neq 0$ and $K \neq 0$; the other possible values reduce the correction terms trivially to the standard lensing results as discussed above. Contributions from each of the correction term is explicitly evaluated and can be expressed as

$$
\alpha_{l_1 l_2}^{00} = 2(-1)^{l_1} \Pi_{l_1} \sum_{k 
eq 0} \sum_{k \neq l_1} \Psi_{l_1}^{k} A_{l_1 l_2}^{k} \frac{F(l_1, k, l_1)}{4\pi} \frac{\Pi_{l_1} \Pi_{k}}{\Pi_{l_1} \Pi_{k}} (l_1, 0, l_1, 0) ,
$$

$$
\beta_{l_1 l_2}^{00} = \sum_{K N k_1 k_2} \frac{C_{K N}^{k_1 k_2}}{L'_{l_1 l_2}} \sum_{m_1 m_2} (l_1 + l_2 + l_3) \frac{F(l_1, k_1, l_3) F(l_1, k_2, l_4)}{4\pi} \frac{\Pi_{l_1} \Pi_{l_2} \Pi_{l_3} \Pi_{l_4}}{\Pi_{l_1} \Pi_{l_2} \Pi_{l_3} \Pi_{l_4}} \psi_{l_1 l_2}^{k_1 k_2} \psi_{l_3 l_4}^{k_1 k_2} \frac{A_{l_1 l_2}^{k_1 k_2}}{4\pi} (l_1, 0, l_2, 0 , l_3, 0 , l_4, 0) ,
$$

$$
\gamma_{l_1 l_2}^{00} = \sum_{K N k_1 k_2} \frac{C_{K N}^{k_1 k_2}}{L'_{l_1 l_2}} \sum_{m_1 m_2} (l_1 + l_2 + l_3) \frac{F(l_1, k_1, l_3) F(l_1, k_2, l_4)}{4\pi} \frac{\Pi_{l_1} \Pi_{l_2} \Pi_{l_3} \Pi_{l_4}}{\Pi_{l_1} \Pi_{l_2} \Pi_{l_3} \Pi_{l_4}} \psi_{l_1 l_2}^{k_1 k_2} \psi_{l_3 l_4}^{k_1 k_2} \frac{A_{l_1 l_2}^{k_1 k_2}}{4\pi} (l_1, 0, l_2, 0 , l_3, 0 , l_4, 0) ,
$$

Thus the non-standard lensing modifications to the lensed CMB temperature anisotropy angular power spectra arising due to the universe being non-SI only comes about due to the coupling between the off diagonal terms of the covariance matrices of the non-SI lensing field and the non-SI CMB temperature field (i.e. only through coupling between BipoSH modes with $K \neq 0$ and $L' \neq 0$).

VI. LENSING CORRECTIONS TO COSMIC VARIANCE

In this section, we take a diversion to analyze the effects of the weak lensing correction terms $\alpha$, $\beta$ and $\gamma$ in a SI universe. As argued in section V, weak lensing in a non-SI universe can leave imprints of SI violation in the CMB angular power spectra. (See Eq. 34). However, if we were to be sitting in an isotropic universe, then the contribution from these non-standard correction terms would vanish, i.e. $\langle \alpha_{l_1}^{00} \rangle = \langle \beta_{l_1}^{00} \rangle = \langle \gamma_{l_1}^{00} \rangle = 0$. Note however that the variance of these terms need not vanish, i.e. $\langle |\alpha_{l_1}^{00}|^2 \rangle \neq 0$, $\langle |\beta_{l_1}^{00}|^2 \rangle \neq 0$, $\langle |\gamma_{l_1}^{00}|^2 \rangle \neq 0$. These properties are similar to that of noise, except that this noise is of cosmic origin.

We evaluate the corrections to cosmic variance arising due to weak lensing in a SI universe. To recap, the weak-lensing contributions to the lensed bipolar coefficients are

$$
A_{l_1 l_2}^{L M} = A_{l_1 l_2}^{L M} + \alpha_{l_1 l_2}^{L M} + \beta_{l_1 l_2}^{L M} + \gamma_{l_1 l_2}^{L M} + O(\psi^3, \psi^4) ,
$$

which reduce to the angular power spectrum under SI $A_{l_1 l_2}^{00} = (-1)^{l_1} \Pi_{l_1} C_l$. For the case of a Gaussian and SI CMB sky, it can be shown that the covariance of the BipoSH coefficients [13] is given by the following expression,

$$
\langle A_{l_1 l_2}^{L M} A_{l_1 l_2}^{L' M'} \rangle = C_l C_l [\delta_{l_1 l_2} \delta_{l_1 l_2} + (-1)^{l_1 + l_2 + l_3} \delta_{l_1 l_2} \delta_{l_1 l_2}] 
\times \delta_{l_1 l_2} \delta_{l_1 l_2} + C_l C_l' \Pi_{l_1} \Pi_{l_2} (-1)^{l_1 + l_2} 
\times \delta_{l_1 l_2} \delta_{l_1 l_2} \delta_{l_1 l_2} \delta_{l_1 l_2} \delta_{l_1 l_2} \delta_{l_1 l_2} .
$$

The variance of the lensed CMB angular power spectrum to first order terms in $C_l^{00}$ is given by

$$
\sigma_{C_l}^2 = \langle \tilde{C_l} \tilde{C_l} \rangle - \langle \tilde{C_l} \rangle^2
$$

Since the $\alpha_{l_1}^{00}$ does not contribute at the power spectrum level but has non-zero contribution to the variance, we can write the individual terms in Equation 38 as

$$
\langle \tilde{C_l} \rangle = C_l [\langle \tilde{\alpha_{l_1}^{00}} \rangle + \langle \gamma_{l_1}^{00} \rangle ]
\langle \tilde{C_l} \rangle^2 = C_l^2 + 2 \frac{(-1)^l}{\Pi_{l_1}} [C_l \beta_{l_1}^{00} + \gamma_{l_1}^{00}] + O([C_l^\psi]^2) (39)
\langle \tilde{C_l}^2 \rangle = \langle \{C_l + \frac{(-1)^l}{\Pi_{l_1}} \{\alpha_{l_1}^{00} + \beta_{l_1}^{00} + \gamma_{l_1}^{00}\}\} \rangle
\langle \tilde{C_l}^2 \rangle = C_l^2 + 2 \frac{(-1)^l}{\Pi_{l_1}} [C_l \beta_{l_1}^{00} + \gamma_{l_1}^{00}] + O([C_l^\psi]^2) + \frac{1}{\Pi_{l_1}} (\alpha_{l_1}^{00} \alpha_{l_1}^{00}) + O([C_l^\psi]^2) . (40)
$$

We evaluate the corrections to cosmic variance arising due to the term linear in the projected lensing potential. The variance correction due to this term can be shown to be linear in the projected lensing potential power spectra $C_l^{00}$ while the correction coming from other terms is
quadratic in $C_{l}^\psi$ hence is expected to be a sub-dominant. As seen in Equation 40, the terms contributing to the correction of the cosmic variance and are linear in $C_{l}^\psi$ are $\langle |\alpha_l^{00}|^2 \rangle$, $\langle A_{ll}^{00} \alpha_{ll}^0 \rangle$, $\langle A_{ll}^{00} \beta_{ll}^0 \rangle$ and $\langle A_{ll}^{00} \gamma_{ll}^0 \rangle$.

The individual terms are evaluated in Appendix C. Using these correction terms which are relevant in the case of a SI universe, the total cosmic variance is given by the following expression,

$$
\sigma_{C_l}^2 = \frac{2}{2l+1} \tilde{C}_l^2 + \frac{8C_{l}^\psi}{2l+1} \sum_k |C_k^\psi|^2 \left\{ \frac{F(k, l, l)}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \Pi_k C_{k, 00}^\psi \right\}^2. \quad (41)
$$

\section{VII. EXTENDING THE FORMALISM TO CMB POLARIZATION}

The higher order weak lensing correction terms discussed in Section IV will affect the CMB polarization field too. As a preliminary study, we lay down the formalism of CMB polarization BipoSH spectra. Weak lensing modifications to these coefficients would follow the same trend as in the temperature case.

The CMB polarization field is a spin-2 field and can be decomposed into stokes $Q(\hat{n})$ and $U(\hat{n})$ fields. Using standard convention of decomposing the polarization field into gradient ($E$) and curl ($B$) modes which are coordinate independent, we can write

$$
\pm X(\hat{n}) = Q(\hat{n}) \pm iU(\hat{n}) = \sum_{lm} \pm X_{lm} \pm 2Y_{lm}(\hat{n}) = \sum_{lm} (E_{lm} \pm iB_{lm}) \pm 2Y_{lm}(\hat{n}), \quad (42)
$$

where $\pm 2Y_{lm}(\hat{n})$ are spin-2 spherical harmonics [14, 15]. $a_{lm}^E = E_{lm}$ and $a_{lm}^B = B_{lm}$ are the E-mode and B-modes spin spherical harmonic coefficients. The Stokes parameter Q and U are real and hence the complex conjugate of the spin-2 field reduces to $\pm X(\hat{n})^* = \mp X(\tilde{\hat{n}})$. The spin spherical harmonic coefficients can be expressed as

$$
E_{lm} = \frac{\pm X_{lm} + X_{lm}}{2}, \quad B_{lm} = \frac{\pm X_{lm} - X_{lm}}{2}. \quad (43)
$$

The complex conjugates of the above coefficients are

$$
+X^{\ast}_{lm} = (-1)^m X_{l,-m}, \quad E^{\ast}_{lm} = (-1)^m E_{l,-m}, \quad B^{\ast}_{lm} = (-1)^m B_{l,-m}. \quad (44)
$$

We briefly layout the formalism of polarization BipoSH coefficients in the next section. In the following sections we discuss only the results of the first order lensing corrections to these coefficients and their contribution to the polarization angular power spectrum.

\section{A. CMB polarization BipoSH coefficients}

Casting aside the constraint of SI, the most generalized CMB polarization two-point correlation function can be expanded in the BipoSH basis using spin-2 spherical harmonics in the following manner,

$$
C(\hat{n}, \hat{n}') = \langle \pm X(\hat{n}) \pm X(\hat{n}') \rangle = \langle \pm X(\tilde{\hat{n}}) \pm X(\tilde{\hat{n}}') \rangle + c.c. = \sum_{lm} (E_{lm} \pm iB_{lm}) \pm 2Y_{lm}(\hat{n}) \times \left[ (E_{lm} \pm iB_{lm}) \pm 2Y_{lm}(\hat{n}) \right] + c.c., \quad (45)
$$

where c.c. are the complex conjugate terms. However, the two-point correlation function can also be expanded in the BipoSH basis as follows

$$
C(\hat{n}, \hat{n}') = \sum_{LM} A_{LM} \{ 2Y_{l_{1}m_{1}}(\hat{n}) \otimes 2Y_{l_{2}m_{2}}(\hat{n}') \} = \sum_{LM} A_{LM} \{ 2Y_{l_{1}m_{1}}(\hat{n}) \otimes 2Y_{l_{2}m_{2}}(\hat{n}') \} = \sum_{LM} A_{LM} \{ 2Y_{l_{1}m_{1}}(\hat{n}) \otimes 2Y_{l_{2}m_{2}}(\hat{n}') \}, \quad (46)
$$

where $A_{LM}$ are the BipoSH coefficients for the corresponding BipoSH basis. Comparing Eqs. 45 and 46 and parity properties of the coefficients as in Eq. 44, it can easily be shown that $A_{LM}$ = 2$A_{LM}$ and $A_{LM}$ = 4$A_{LM}$.

The + and the - signs on the spin-BipoSH coefficients denote the angular averages of like and unlike terms, viz. $(\langle +X+X\rangle, \langle +X-X\rangle)$ and $(\langle +X-X\rangle, \langle -X+X\rangle)$ respectively. These coefficients can be expressed in terms of the spin-2 spherical harmonic coefficients in the same way as for the temperature case.

$$
A_{LM} = \sum_{m_{1}m_{2}} \{ (\langle +X_{l_{1}m_{1}} + X_{l_{2}m_{2}} \rangle + \langle -X_{l_{1}m_{1}} - X_{l_{2}m_{2}} \rangle) \times C_{LM} \} = \sum_{m_{1}m_{2}} \{ (\langle +X_{l_{1}m_{1}} + X_{l_{2}m_{2}} \rangle + \langle -X_{l_{1}m_{1}} - X_{l_{2}m_{2}} \rangle) \times C_{LM} \} = E_{LM} - B_{LM}, \quad (47)
$$

where $E_{LM}$ and $B_{LM}$ are the E-mode and B-mode BipoSH coefficients respectively. Similarly,

$$
A_{LM} = \sum_{m_{1}m_{2}} \{ (\langle +X_{l_{1}m_{1}} - X_{l_{2}m_{2}} \rangle - \langle -X_{l_{1}m_{1}} + X_{l_{2}m_{2}} \rangle) \times C_{LM} \} = \sum_{m_{1}m_{2}} \{ (\langle +X_{l_{1}m_{1}} - X_{l_{2}m_{2}} \rangle - \langle -X_{l_{1}m_{1}} + X_{l_{2}m_{2}} \rangle) \times C_{LM} \} = B_{LM} + B_{LM}. \quad (48)
$$

Under the assumption of SI, the spin-2 BipoSH coefficients reduce to combinations of the standard E-mode and B-mode angular power spectrum as

$$
\pm A_{LM} = (-1)^{l_{1}} \Pi_{l_{1}} (C_{LM}^{EE} - C_{LM}^{BB}), \quad (49)
$$

$$
\pm A_{LM} = (-1)^{l_{1}} \Pi_{l_{1}} (C_{LM}^{EE} + C_{LM}^{BB}). \quad (49)
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VIII. DISCUSSIONS

The BipoSH basis forms a natural basis to study the CMB two point correlation function of the CMB sky. The angular power spectrum is a subset of the BipoSH spectra. While a SI Gaussian CMB sky is fully characterized by the angular power spectrum, a non-SI CMB sky is characterized by the whole set of BipoSH spectra. In a SI universe, weak lensing due to LSS surrounding the observer distorts the CMB sky and induces modification to the CMB angular power spectrum which can be evaluated given the angular power spectrum of the projected lensing potential \( \psi \). In this article we study lensing in a non-SI universe, in which the statistics of the CMB sky and the projected lensing potential are specified completely by the BipoSH spectra.

Analogous to the lensing modifications to the CMB angular power spectrum in a SI universe, we evaluate the lensing modification to the BipoSH spectra due to weak lensing in a non-SI universe. We provide an equation for the BipoSH coefficients of the lensed CMB sky evaluated in terms of the BipoSH spectra of the unlensed CMB sky and those of the projected lensing potential. We study the result under various approximations. Firstly we note that in the case of SI CMB sky, lensing of the CMB by the particular realization of LSS surrounding the observer generates BipoSH spectra. We further show that the bipolar map and the bipolar power spectrum proposed as blind tests of SI violation relate to the projected lensing potential and it power spectrum respectively. We note that these estimator are closely related to the optimal lensing estimators [11].

Next we evaluate the corrections to the CMB angular power spectrum due to the coupling between the non-SI power in the projected lensing potential and the primordial CMB sky. It is found that this non-standard correction vanishes if either the projected lensing potential or the CMB at the surface of last scattering is SI. This implies that any correction to the power spectrum is at second order in the parameter characterizing the isotropy violation. This analysis also leads to conclusion that any late time isotropy violating phenomena e.g. direction dependent expansion, which only makes the lensing map non-SI cannot result in any corrections to the angular power spectrum of the observed sky.

We also provide an expression describing these non-standard corrections to the angular power spectrum in a non-SI universe. A search for these non-standard corrections in the measured power spectrum can in principle be used to indicate deviations from SI. For instance, the observed temperature angular power spectrum from recent measurement has considerable deviations from standard \( \Lambda \)CDM angular power spectrum at certain multipole moments like \( l = 2, 22 \) and 40 which could be potentially indication of deviations from SI.

We also study the effects of the higher order lensing correction terms in a SI universe. While these correction terms does not contribute at the angular power spectrum level in a SI universe, they introduce some additional terms in the variance. We evaluate this correction to the cosmic variance in a SI universe due to weak lensing effects.

Finally we discuss the BipoSH formalism for describing CMB polarization in a non-SI universe. The polarization BipoSH basis consists of combinations of spin-Spherical Harmonics and the corresponding BipoSH coefficients are further characterized as E-mode and B-mode BipoSH coefficients. We can further calculate how these coefficients are modified due to weak lensing as in the temperature case and it can be shown that the modifications to the polarization BipoSH coefficients closely resemble the modifications to the temperature BipoSH coefficients.

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Appendix A: Calculation of correction terms to temperature BipoSH coefficients due to lensing

The two point correlation function for the lensed temperature field can be expressed in terms of the unlensed temperature field and the projected lensing potential through Equation 20. Each of the terms in the two point
correlation function of the lensed temperature field in Equation 20, can be expressed in the harmonic space as

\[
\sum_{L'M'} A_{1l_1l_2}^{LM} \{ Y_1(\hat{n}_1) \otimes Y_2(\hat{n}_2) \}_L = \sum_{LMl_1l_2} A_{1l_1l_2}^{LM} \{ Y_1(\hat{n}_1) \otimes Y_2(\hat{n}_2) \}_L
\]

+ \sum_{L'M'} \beta_{1l_1l_2}^{L'M'} (\psi_{kn}, A_{1l_1l_2}^{LM}, A_{1l_1l_2}^{L'M'}) + \sum_{L'M'} \gamma_{1l_1l_2}^{L'M'} (\psi_{kn}, A_{1l_1l_2}^{LM}, A_{1l_1l_2}^{L'M'})

+ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{L'M'} \beta_{1l_1l_2}^{L'M'} (\psi_{kn}, A_{1l_1l_2}^{LM}, A_{1l_1l_2}^{L'M'}) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{L'M'} \gamma_{1l_1l_2}^{L'M'} (\psi_{kn}, A_{1l_1l_2}^{LM}, A_{1l_1l_2}^{L'M'})

(A1)

Using the orthonormality relation of the BipoSH

\[
\int d\hat{n}_1 d\hat{n}_2 \{ Y_1(\hat{n}_1) \otimes Y_2(\hat{n}_2) \}_L \{ Y_1(\hat{n}_1) \otimes Y_2(\hat{n}_2) \}_L = \delta_{l_1l_2} \delta_{l_2l_4} \delta_{LM} \delta_{LM'},
\]

(A2)

the lensed temperature BipoSH coefficients \( \tilde{A}_{1l_1l_2}^{LM} \) can be obtained in terms of the BipoSH coefficients for the unlensed temperature field \( A_{1l_1l_2}^{L'M'} \) and the projected lensing potential \( \Psi_{kn}^{KN} \) as

\[
\tilde{A}_{1l_1l_2}^{LM} = A_{1l_1l_2}^{LM} + \left[ \alpha_{1l_1l_2}^{LM} (\psi_{kn}, A_{1l_1l_2}^{LM}) + 2 \alpha_{1l_1l_2}^{LM} (\psi_{kn}, A_{1l_1l_2}^{L'M'}) \right] + \beta_{1l_1l_2}^{LM} (\Psi_{kn}^{KN}, A_{1l_1l_2}^{LM})
\]

+ \left[ \gamma_{1l_1l_2}^{LM} (\Psi_{kn}^{KN}, A_{1l_1l_2}^{LM}) + \gamma_{1l_1l_2}^{LM} (\Psi_{kn}^{KN}, A_{1l_1l_2}^{L'M'}) \right]

(A3)

1. Calculation of the correction terms \( \alpha_{1l_1l_2}^{LM} \)

The correction terms \( \alpha_1 \) and \( \alpha_2 \) are linear in the lensing deflection field and are expressed as

\[
1\alpha_{1l_1l_2}^{LM} = \sum_{kn} \psi_{kn} A_{1l_1l_2}^{LM} \sum_{L'M'l_3l_4} C_{l_3m_3l_4m_4}^{L'M'} Y_{l_3m_3} a(\hat{n}_1) Y_{l_4m_4} a(\hat{n}_2)
\]

\[
= \sum_{kn} \psi_{kn} A_{1l_1l_2}^{LM} \sum_{L'M'l_3l_4} C_{l_3m_3l_4m_4}^{L'M'} Y_{l_3m_3} a(\hat{n}_1) Y_{l_4m_4} a(\hat{n}_2)
\]

\[
= \sum_{kn} \psi_{kn} A_{1l_1l_2}^{LM} \sum_{L'M'l_3l_4} C_{l_3m_3l_4m_4}^{L'M'} Y_{l_3m_3} a(\hat{n}_1) Y_{l_4m_4} a(\hat{n}_2)
\]

\[
1\alpha_{1l_1l_2}^{LM} = \sum_{kn} \psi_{kn} A_{1l_1l_2}^{LM} \sum_{L'M'l_3l_4} C_{l_3m_3l_4m_4}^{L'M'} Y_{l_3m_3} a(\hat{n}_1) Y_{l_4m_4} a(\hat{n}_2)
\]

(A4)

\[
1\alpha_{1l_1l_2}^{LM} = \sum_{kn} \psi_{kn} A_{1l_1l_2}^{LM} \sum_{L'M'l_3l_4} C_{l_3m_3l_4m_4}^{L'M'} Y_{l_3m_3} a(\hat{n}_1) Y_{l_4m_4} a(\hat{n}_2)
\]

(A5)
Similarly

\[ 2\alpha^{LM}_{l_1\ell_2} = \sum_{kn} \psi_{kn} \sum_{L'M'} A^{L'M'}_{l_1l_3} \sum_{m_1m_2m_3} C^{L'M'}_{l_3m_3l_1m_1} C^{L'M}_{l_1m_1l_2m_2} \psi_{m_2m_3}^{\ell_3k_3}. \]  

(A6)

\[ \alpha^{LM}_{l_1\ell_2} = 1\alpha^{LM}_{l_1\ell_2} + 2\alpha^{LM}_{l_1\ell_2} \]  

(A7)

2. Calculation of the correction terms \( \beta^{LM}_{l_1\ell_2} \)

The second order correction term \( \beta^{LM}_{l_1\ell_2} \) is quadratic in the lensing deflection field and is expressed in terms of the BipoSH coefficients of the lensing deflection field,

\[ \beta^{LM}_{l_1\ell_2} = \int \int d\mathbf{\hat{n}}_1 d\mathbf{\hat{n}}_2 [\nabla_{\mathbf{\hat{n}}_1} \nabla_{\mathbf{\hat{n}}_2} (\psi(\mathbf{\hat{n}}_1)\psi(\mathbf{\hat{n}}_2))] [\nabla_{\mathbf{\hat{n}}_1} \nabla_{\mathbf{\hat{n}}_2} (T(\mathbf{\hat{n}}_1)T(\mathbf{\hat{n}}_2))] \{Y_{l_1}(\mathbf{\hat{n}}_1) \otimes Y_{l_2}(\mathbf{\hat{n}}_2)\}^{LM}_{LM}. \]

(A8)

3. Calculation of the correction terms \( \gamma^{LM}_{l_1\ell_2} \)

The two components of the other second order correction term \( \gamma^{LM}_{l_1\ell_2} \) are also expressed in terms of the BipoSH coefficients of the lensing deflection field,

\[ 1\gamma^{LM}_{l_1\ell_2} = \frac{1}{2} \int \int d\mathbf{\hat{n}}_1 d\mathbf{\hat{n}}_2 [\nabla_{\mathbf{\hat{n}}_1} \nabla_{\mathbf{\hat{n}}_2} (\psi(\mathbf{\hat{n}}_1)\psi(\mathbf{\hat{n}}_2))] [\nabla_{\mathbf{\hat{n}}_1} \nabla_{\mathbf{\hat{n}}_2} (T(\mathbf{\hat{n}}_1)T(\mathbf{\hat{n}}_2))] \{Y_{l_1}(\mathbf{\hat{n}}_1) \otimes Y_{l_2}(\mathbf{\hat{n}}_2)\}^{*}_{LM}. \]

(A9)

Similarly,

\[ 2\gamma^{LM}_{l_1\ell_2} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{Knk_1k_2} \psi_{Kn} \psi_{k_1k_2} \sum_{m_1m_2m_3} A^{LM}_{l_1l_3} \sum_{m_1m_2m_3} C^{LM}_{l_1m_1l_2m_2} C^{LM}_{l_1m_1l_2m_2} \psi_{m_2m_3}^{\ell_3k_3}. \]

(A10)

\[ \gamma^{LM}_{l_1\ell_2} = 1\gamma^{LM}_{l_1\ell_2} + 2\gamma^{LM}_{l_1\ell_2}. \]  

(A11)
Appendix B: Evaluating the integrals

The integral appearing in equation 24 can be evaluated by performing integration by parts and the using the identity $\nabla^2 Y_{lm}(\hat{n}) = -l(l+1)Y_{lm}(\hat{n})$ as in [16],

$$ I^{m_1\nu_1,m_2\nu_2}_{l_1l_2} = \int d\hat{n} Y^*_{lm}(\hat{n}) Y^\nu_{l_1m_1}(\hat{n}) Y_{l_2m_2\nu}(\hat{n)) $$

$$ = \frac{1}{2} [l_1(l_1+1) + l_2(l_2+1) - l(l+1)] \int d\hat{n} Y^*_{lm}(\hat{n}) Y_{l_1m_1}(\hat{n}) Y_{l_2m_2}(\hat{n}) $$

$$ = \frac{1}{2} [l_1(l_1+1) + l_2(l_2+1) - l(l+1)] \frac{\Pi_{l_1l_2}}{4\pi} \Gamma_0 l_1 l_2 s_{l_1m_1l_2m_2}. $$

(B1)

The second order correction term $\gamma_{l_1l_2}^{LM}$ contains an integral $J^{m_1l_1,m_2l_2}_{l_1l_2}$ as in equation 28 where

$$ J^{m_1l_1,m_2l_2}_{l_1l_2} = \int d\hat{n} Y^*_{l_1m_1}(\hat{n}) Y^\nu_{l_1m_1}(\hat{n}) Y_{l_2m_2\nu}(\hat{n}) Y_{l_3m_3\nu}(\hat{n}). $$

(B2)

This integral can be expressed in terms of spin spherical harmonics $s_{l} Y_{lm}$. We choose a convenient basis to study spin spherical harmonics

$$ m_\pm = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\hat{e}_\theta \mp i \hat{e}_\varphi). $$

(B3)

It is seen that $m_+$ and $m_-$ are complex conjugate of each other i.e. $m_+ = m_-$ and act as the lowering and raising operators respectively [14],

$$ m_+ \cdot \nabla s_{l} Y_{lm} = -\sqrt{\frac{(l+s)(l-s+1)}{2}} s_{-1} Y_{lm} $$

$$ m_- \cdot \nabla s_{l} Y_{lm} = \sqrt{\frac{(l-s)(l+s+1)}{2}} s_{1} Y_{lm}. $$

(B4)

In this basis, the derivative of a spherical harmonic is given as

$$ \nabla Y_{lm} = \sqrt{\frac{l(l+1)}{2}} [m_+ Y_{lm} - m_- Y_{lm}]. $$

(B5)

Using these notations, the $J$-integral can be expressed as

$$ J^{m_1l_1,m_2l_2}_{l_1l_2} = a_{k_1} a_{k_2} \int d\hat{n} Y^*_{l_1m_1}(\hat{n}) m_{+a} Y_{k_1n_1} - m_{-a} Y_{k_1n_1} [m_{+b} Y_{k_2n_2} - m_{-b} Y_{k_2n_2}] Y_{l_3m_3\nu} $$

$$ = a_{k_1} a_{k_2} \int d\hat{n} Y^*_{l_1m_1} [ Y_{k_1n_1} Y_{k_2n_2} m_{+a} m_{+b} - Y_{k_1n_1} Y_{k_2n_2} m_{-a} m_{-b} $$

$$ - Y_{k_1n_1} Y_{k_2n_2} m_{+a} m_{-b} - Y_{k_1n_1} Y_{k_2n_2} m_{-a} m_{+b} ] Y_{l_3m_3\nu}, $$

(B6)

noting that $a_k = \sqrt{k(k+1)/2}$. To evaluate this integral, we utilize identities for spin spherical harmonics from [10] and [17]

$$ s_{1} Y_{k_1n_1}(\hat{n}) s_{2} Y_{k_2n_2}(\hat{n}) = \sum_{kns} \frac{\Pi_{k_1k_2}}{4\pi} \Gamma_{k_1-k_2-s-k-n} \Gamma_{k_1n_1k_2n_2} Y_{kn}(\hat{n}) $$

$$ \int d\hat{n} s_{1} Y^*_{l_1m_1}(\hat{n}) s_{2} Y_{l_2m_2} s_{3} Y_{l_3m_3} = \frac{\Pi_{l_1l_2l_3}}{4\pi \Gamma_{l_1-l_2-l_3-s-s}} \Gamma_{l_1m_1l_2m_2l_3m_3}. $$

(B7)
The first term of the $J$-integral simplifies to

$$ J_1 = a_k a_k \int d\hat{n} Y_{l_1 m_1}^* Y_{l_1 n_1} Y_{l_2 n_2} (\mathbf{m}_+ a \nabla^a)(\mathbf{m}_+ b \nabla^b) Y_{l_1 m_3} $$

$$ = a_k a_k \sum_{kns} \frac{\Pi_{k_1 k_2}}{4\pi \Pi_k} C_{k_1-1 k_2-1}^{k-2} C_{k_1 n_1 k_2 n_2}^{k n} \int d\hat{n} Y_{l_1 m_1}^* Y_{k n} (\mathbf{m}_+ a \nabla^a) \times (-a_{l_3}) \times Y_{l_3 m_3} $$

$$ = -a_k a_k a_k a_{l_3} \sum_{k} \frac{\Pi_{k_1 k_2}}{4\pi \Pi_k} C_{k_1-1 k_2-1}^{k-2} C_{k_1 n_1 k_2 n_2}^{k n} \int d\hat{n} Y_{l_1 m_1}^* 2Y_{k n} \times (-b_{l_3}) \times 2 Y_{l_3 m_3} $$

$$ = a_k a_k a_k a_{l_3} b_{l_3} \sum_{k} \frac{\Pi_{k_1 k_2}}{4\pi \Pi_k} C_{k_1-1 k_2-1}^{k-2} C_{k_1 n_1 k_2 n_2}^{k n} \frac{\Pi_{l_1 l_3}}{4\pi \Pi_{l_1}} C_{l_1 0}^{l_1 0} C_{k n}^{l_1 m_1} \times \sum_{k} C_{k n}^{l_1 m_1} C_{n 1}^{l_1 m_1} \times C_{l_1 m_1}^{l_1 m_1} k n l_3 m_3. \quad (B8) $$

Since the Clebsch Gordon coefficients $C_{l_1 m_1 l_2 m_2}^{l m}$ are valid only for $m = m_1 + m_2$, the sum over $s$ gets fixed to $s = 2$ in this case. Similarly the other terms in the $J$ integral are

$$ J_2 = \frac{a_k a_k a_s a_{l_3} \Pi_{k_1 k_2 \Pi_{l_1}}}{4\pi \Pi_{l_1}} \sum_{k} C_{k_1 k_2 1}^{k_1 k_2 1} C_{k_1 1 k_2 -1}^{k_1 1 k_2 -1} \sum_{n} C_{k_1 n_1 k_2 n_2}^{k n} C_{l_1 m_1}^{l m} $$

$$ J_3 = \frac{a_k a_k a_s a_{l_3} \Pi_{k_1 k_2 \Pi_{l_1}}}{4\pi \Pi_{l_1}} \sum_{k} C_{k_1 k_2 1}^{k_1 k_2 1} C_{k_1 1 k_2 -1}^{k_1 1 k_2 -1} \sum_{n} C_{k_1 n_1 k_2 n_2}^{k n} C_{l_1 m_1}^{l m} $$

$$ J_4 = \frac{a_k a_k a_s a_{l_3} \Pi_{k_1 k_2 \Pi_{l_1}}}{4\pi \Pi_{l_1}} \sum_{k} C_{k_1 k_2 1}^{k_1 k_2 1} C_{k_1 1 k_2 -1}^{k_1 1 k_2 -1} \sum_{n} C_{k_1 n_1 k_2 n_2}^{k n} C_{l_1 m_1}^{l m}. \quad (B9) $$

Using the identity from [12]

$$ C_{l_1 m_1 l_2 m_2}^{l m} = (-1)^{l_1 + l_2 - l} C_{l_1 -m_1 l_2 -m_2}^{l -m}, \quad (B10) $$

the $J$-integral in equation B14 simplifies to

$$ J_{l_1 k_1 l_2 k_2}^{m_1 n_1 m_2 n_2} = \frac{a_k a_k a_s a_{l_3} \Pi_{k_1 k_2 \Pi_{l_1}}}{4\pi \Pi_{l_1}} \sum_{k} \left[ a_{l_3} C_{k_1 k_2 -1}^{k_1 k_2 -1} C_{k_1 1 k_2 1}^{k_1 1 k_2 1} \sum_{l} \left( (-1)^{k_1 + k_2 - k} \right) \right] \sum_{n} C_{k_1 n_1 k_2 n_2}^{k n} C_{l_1 m_1}^{l m} $$

$$ + \frac{b_{l_3} C_{k_1 k_2 1}^{k_1 k_2 1} C_{k_1 1 k_2 -1}^{k_1 1 k_2 -1} \sum_{l} \left( (-1)^{k_1 + k_2 - l} \right) \sum_{n} C_{k_1 n_1 k_2 n_2}^{k n} C_{l_1 m_1}^{l m}. \quad (B11) $$

If the unlensed CMB temperature field and the lensing deflection field is assumed to be SI, i.e. $L' = M' = 0$ and $K = N = 0$, the second order correction term $\gamma_{l_1 l_2}$ in equation 27b reduces to

$$ \gamma_{l_1 l_2}^{LM} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k_1 n_1} (-1)^{n_1} C_{k_1}^{\psi \psi} \sum_{m_1 m_2} C_{k_1 m_1 k_2 m_2}^{LM} \left[ (-1)^{m_2} C_{l_2 k_2 l_2 k_1}^{m_2 n_1 - m_2 - n_1} + (-1)^{m_1} C_{l_1 k_1 l_1 k_1}^{m_1 n_1 - m_1 - n_1} \right], \quad (B12) $$

where we need to evaluate the quantity,

$$ \sum_{n_1} (-1)^{n_1} J_{l_1 k_1 l_2 k_1}^{m_1 n_1 - m_2 - n_1} = \frac{a_k a_k a_s a_{l_3} \Pi_{k_1 k_2 \Pi_{l_1}}}{4\pi \Pi_{l_1}} \sum_{k} C_{k_1 k_2 1}^{k_1 k_2 1} C_{k_1 1 k_2 -1}^{k_1 1 k_2 -1} \sum_{n} C_{k_1 n_1 k_2 n_2}^{k n} C_{l_1 m_1}^{l m} \quad (B13) $$

the $J$ integral

$$ J_1 = a_k a_k \sum_{kns} \frac{\Pi_{k_1 k_2}}{4\pi \Pi_k} C_{k_1-1 k_2-1}^{k-2} C_{k_1 n_1 k_2 n_2}^{k n} \int d\hat{n} Y_{l_1 m_1}^* Y_{k n} \left[ \mathbf{m}_+ a \mathbf{m}_+ b + \mathbf{m}_- a \mathbf{m}_- b - \mathbf{m}_+ a \mathbf{m}_- b - \mathbf{m}_- a \mathbf{m}_+ b \right] Y_{l_3 m_3} \times \mathbf{I}. \quad (B14) $$
The first term in the integral $I$ is

$$I_1 = \int d\Omega Y^*_l m, l^n (m_{+a}\nabla^a)(m_{+b}\nabla^b) Y_{l,m}$$

$$= -a_{l3} \int d\Omega Y^*_l m, l^n (m_{+a}\nabla^a - 1) Y_{l,m}$$

$$= a_{l3} \sqrt{(l_3 - 1)(l_3 + 2)} \int d\Omega Y^*_l m, l^n - 2Y_{l,m} = 0.$$ (B15)

The above term vanishes for the integral of product of two spin-zero and one spin 2 spherical harmonic functions. The second term in the integral $I$ vanish by similar arguments. The third term in the integral turns out to be same as the fourth term and is given as

$$I_3 = -\int d\Omega Y^*_l m, l^n (m_{+a}\nabla^a) (m_{-b}\nabla^b) Y_{l,m}$$

$$= -a_{l3} \int d\Omega Y^*_l m, l^n (m_{+a}\nabla^a) Y_{l,m}$$

$$= a_{l3}^2 \int d\Omega Y^*_l m, l^n Y_{l,m} = I_4.$$ (B16)

Using the above equation and the identity from [12]

$$\int d\Omega Y^*_l m, l^n l_{m, l} = \frac{\Pi_{l_3} \Pi_{l_3}}{4\pi \Pi_l} c_{l_3 l_0 0}^1 \pi_{l_3 l_0 0}^1 \phi_{l_3 l_0 0}^1,$$ (B17)

the $J$-integral in equation B14 simplifies to

$$J_{l_1 l_3 l_4} = 2a_{l_1} a_{l_3} a_{l_4}^2 \sum_{l_3} \frac{1}{4\pi} \Pi_{k_1} \Pi_{k_2} \Pi_{k_3} \epsilon_{k_1 k_2 k_3} \epsilon_{l_1 l_2 l_3} C_{k_1 k_2}^0 C_{k_3 l_3}^0 C^1_{l_1 l_2 l_3 l_4} C^1_{l_4 l_5 l_6 l_7}.$$ (B18)

### Appendix C: Calculation of the correction terms in the cosmic variance

The variance of the lensed CMB angular power spectrum to first order terms in $C^\psi_l$ is given by

$$\sigma^2_{C_l} = \langle C_l^2 \rangle - \langle C_l \rangle^2$$

$$= \langle C_l^2 \rangle + \frac{2}{\Pi_l} \left[ \langle A_l^0 \rangle \langle \beta_l \rangle \langle \gamma_l \rangle \right]$$

where we have used the relation $A_l^0 = (-1)^l \Pi_l C_l$ and the correction terms $\alpha$, $\beta$ and $\gamma$ are given in Equations 35a, 35b and 35c. Firstly, we focus on the terms contributing to $\langle C_l \rangle$ and find

$$\langle A_l^0 \rangle \langle \beta_l \rangle = \langle A_l^0 \rangle + l \Pi_l \sum_{k,l} C_k C^\psi_k \left[ \frac{\Pi(l_k l_l) \Pi_l l_1 C^0_{l_0 k_0 l_1}}{4\pi \Pi_l} \right]^2$$

$$\langle A_l^0 \rangle \langle \gamma_l \rangle = \langle A_l^0 \rangle \langle \gamma_l \rangle \Pi_l (l + 1) C_l R = -l(l + 1) R C_l^2 \Pi_l.$$ (C2)

Next we evaluate the terms which contribute to $\langle C_l^2 \rangle$ in Equation C1. The term $\langle A_l^0 \rangle$ reduces to zero as $\alpha^0$ does not contribute at power spectrum level. The terms which contribute are the cross-terms $\langle A_l^0 \rangle \langle \beta_l \rangle$, $\langle A_l^0 \rangle \langle \gamma_l \rangle$ and the covariance term $\langle \alpha_l^0 \rangle$. Using the covariance relation for bipolar coefficients from Equation 37, we find

$$\langle A_l^0 A_l^M \rangle = C_l^2 (\delta_{l_1 l_2} + (l_1 + l_2) \delta_{l_1 l_2}) \delta_{l,M} + C_l C_l \Pi_l \Pi_l (-1) \delta_{l_1 l_2} \delta_{l_0}$$ (C3)
Using the above Equation C3, the first cross-term is

\[
\langle A_{ll}^{00} \beta_{ll}^{00} \rangle = \sum_{k\ell_1} (-1)^n C_k^l \left( 2C_k^l \delta_{ll_1} \delta_{ll_2} + C_l \Pi_{l_1} \Pi_{l_2} (-1)^{l_1 + l_2} \delta_{ll_2} \right) \sum_{mm_1} \frac{(-1)^{l-t_1}}{\Pi_{l_1}} \frac{(-1)^{l-t_1}}{\Pi_{l_2}} \left( f_{lmn} \right)_{l_1k} \left( f_{lmn} \right)_{l_2k} \\
= 2 \sum_k C_k^l \frac{F(lkl)}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \Pi_k C_{\ell_0 0}^{(00)} \left[ \int_{\ell_{ll_1} m} \sum_n \left( \delta_{\ell_1 m} \delta_{\ell_2 n} \right)^2 + \int_{\ell_{ll_1} m} \sum_n \left( \delta_{\ell_1 m} \delta_{\ell_2 n} \right)^2 \right] \frac{1}{\Pi_l} \sum_{m_1} \left( C_{\ell_1 m_1 m_2} \right)^2, \\
= \langle A_{ll}^{00} \rangle \langle \beta_{ll}^{00} \rangle + 2 \sum_k C_k^l \frac{F(lkl)}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \Pi_k C_{\ell_0 0}^{(00)} \left[ \int_{\ell_{ll_1} m} \sum_n \left( \delta_{\ell_1 m} \delta_{\ell_2 n} \right)^2 \right],
\]

(C4)

where we have used the relation for sum of products of two Clebsch-Gordon coefficients from \[12\]

\[
\sum_{m_1} \delta_{\ell_1 m_1 l_2 m_2} \delta_{\ell_1 m_1 l_4 m_4} = \frac{\Pi_l^2}{\Pi_{l_2}^2} \delta_{\ell l_2} \delta_{m_2 m_4}.
\]

(C5)

and the relation \[\sum_m = \Pi_l^2\]. The second cross-term can be evaluated as follows

\[
\langle A_{ll}^{00} \gamma_{ll}^{00} \rangle = \sum_{knm} (-1)^n \frac{\Pi_k^2}{\Pi_l^2} C_k^l (2C_l^t + \Pi_l^2 C_l^2) \left( f_{lmn} \right)_{l_1k} \left( f_{lmn} \right)_{l_2k} = -l(l+1)(2C_l^2 + \Pi_l^2 \Pi_l^2) \langle A_{ll}^{00} \rangle \langle \gamma_{ll}^{00} \rangle

= \langle A_{ll}^{00} \rangle \langle \gamma_{ll}^{00} \rangle - 2C_l^2 l(l+1)R.
\]

(C6)

The covariance of the \(\alpha\) term is given by

\[
\langle \alpha_{ll}^{00} \alpha_{ll'}^{00} \rangle = 4\Pi_l^2 \sum_{knl_1 k'n'l_1'} \sum_{k'k} \left( \psi_{kl}^\psi \psi_{k'n'}^\psi \right) \left( A_{ll}^{kn} A_{l'l'}^{k'n'} \right) \frac{F(l_{ll_1} k_{ll_1})}{4\pi} \frac{\Pi_{l_1} \Pi_{l'_1}}{\Pi_k \Pi_{k'}} C_{\ell_0 0}^{k_0 0} C_{\ell_0 0}^{k_0 0} \]

\[
= 4 \sum_{knl_1 k'n'l_1'} \sum_{k'k} C_k^l \delta_{kl_1 k'n'} \delta_{lll_1 l_1'} \left( C_l \Pi_{l_1} \Pi_{l_1'} C_{\ell_0 0}^{k_0 0} C_{\ell_0 0}^{k_0 0} \right) \left( F(l_{ll_1} k_{ll_1}) \right) \frac{\Pi_{l_1} \Pi_{l_1'}}{\Pi_k \Pi_{k'}} C_{\ell_0 0}^{k_0 0} C_{\ell_0 0}^{k_0 0} \]

\[
= 4 \sum_{knl_1 k'n'l_1'} \sum_{k'k} C_k^l \left( C_l \Pi_{l_1} \Pi_{l_1'} C_{\ell_0 0}^{k_0 0} C_{\ell_0 0}^{k_0 0} \right) \left( F(l_{ll_1} k_{ll_1}) \right) \frac{\Pi_{l_1} \Pi_{l_1'}}{\Pi_k \Pi_{k'}} C_{\ell_0 0}^{k_0 0} C_{\ell_0 0}^{k_0 0} \]

\[
= 4 \sum_{knl_1 k'n'l_1'} \left( \alpha_{ll}^{00} \right) \left( \alpha_{ll'}^{00} \right) + 4 \sum_{k} C_k^l \left( F(l_{ll_1} k_{ll_1}) \right) \frac{\Pi_{l_1} \Pi_{l_1'}}{\Pi_k \Pi_{k'}} C_{\ell_0 0}^{k_0 0} C_{\ell_0 0}^{k_0 0} \left( F(l_{ll_1} k_{ll_1}) \right) \frac{\Pi_{l_1} \Pi_{l_1'}}{\Pi_k \Pi_{k'}} C_{\ell_0 0}^{k_0 0} C_{\ell_0 0}^{k_0 0} \]

(C7)

Note that the cosmic variance for the unlensed CMB power spectrum is given by \(\langle C_l^2 \rangle - \langle C_l \rangle^2 = 2C_l^2/(2l+1)\). Also the lensed CMB power spectrum is

\[
\hat{C}_l = C_l - RL(l+1)C_l + \sum_{kl_1} C_k^l C_l \frac{F(l_{ll_1}, k_{ll_1})^2}{4\pi} \left( \frac{\Pi_k \Pi_{l_1} C_{\ell_0 0}^{k_0 0}}{\Pi_l C_{\ell_0 0}^{k_0 0}} \right)^2.
\]

(C8)

Retaining terms which are first order in the lensing potential

\[
\hat{C}_l^2 \approx C_l^2 - 2RL(l+1)C_l^2 + 2C_l \sum_{kl_1} C_k^l C_l \frac{F(l_{ll_1}, k_{ll_1})^2}{4\pi} \left( \frac{\Pi_k \Pi_{l_1} C_{\ell_0 0}^{k_0 0}}{\Pi_l C_{\ell_0 0}^{k_0 0}} \right)^2.
\]

(C9)
Using the equations C2, C4, C6 and C7, the cosmic variance for the lensed CMB power spectrum for terms which are linear in $C_l^\psi$ can be expressed as follows,

$$
\sigma^2_{C_l} = \langle C_l^2 \rangle + \frac{2}{\Pi_l^2} \left[ \langle A_{ll}^{00} \rangle \langle \beta_{ll}^{00} \rangle + 2 \sum_k C_k^\psi C_l^2 \left[ \frac{F(lkl)}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \Pi_k C_{k0l0}^0 \right]^2 + \langle A_{ll}^{00} \rangle \langle \gamma_{ll}^{00} \rangle - 2C_l^2 l(l+1)R \right] + \frac{1}{\Pi_l^2} \left[ \frac{4}{\Pi_l^2} \langle A_{ll}^{00} \rangle \langle \beta_{ll}^{00} \rangle + 4 \sum_k C_k^\psi C_l^2 \left[ \frac{F(lkl)}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \Pi_k C_{k0l0}^0 \right]^2 - \langle C_l \rangle^2 - \frac{2}{\Pi_l^2} \left[ \langle A_{ll}^{00} \rangle \langle \beta_{ll}^{00} \rangle + \langle A_{ll}^{00} \rangle \langle \gamma_{ll}^{00} \rangle \right] \right]
$$

$$
= \frac{2}{\Pi_l^2} \left[ C_l^2 + 2C_l^2 \sum_k C_k^\psi \left[ \frac{F(lkl)}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \Pi_k C_{k0l0}^0 \right]^2 - 2C_l^2 l(l+1)R + \frac{2}{\Pi_l^2} \langle A_{ll}^{00} \rangle \langle \beta_{ll}^{00} \rangle + 2C_l^2 \sum_k C_k^\psi \left[ \frac{F(lkl)}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \Pi_k C_{k0l0}^0 \right]^2 \right]
$$

$$
= \frac{2}{\Pi_l^2} \left[ C_l(C_l - 2l(l+1)C_lR) + 2C_l \sum k \{ C_k^\psi C_l^2 \left[ \frac{F(lkl)}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \Pi_k C_{k0l0}^0 \right]^2 \} + 4C_l^2 \sum_k C_k^\psi \left[ \frac{F(lkl)}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \Pi_k C_{k0l0}^0 \right]^2 \right]
$$

$$
= \frac{2}{2l+1} \left[ \tilde{C}_l^2 + 4C_l^2 \sum k C_k^\psi \left[ \frac{F(lkl)}{\sqrt{4\pi}} \Pi_k C_{k0l0}^0 \right]^2 \right].
$$

(C10)

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