

# Disentangling Doppler modulation, aberration and the temperature dipole in the CMB

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An observer in relative motion to the cosmic microwave background (CMB) rest frame is sensitive to both aberration and Doppler effects. Both effects introduce similar but nonidentical off-diagonal couplings in the spherical harmonic coefficients. The CMB temperature dipole may have additional contributions from an intrinsic component, which in turn produces different aberration and Doppler couplings. Moreover, the standard conversion from intensity measurements into temperature also introduces spurious Doppler-like couplings. In order to learn about the intrinsic dipole it is therefore important to measure both aberration and Doppler couplings in an independent manner while also removing the spurious contributions from unit conversion, which are degenerate with the dipole. Here we present a pipeline to measure independently the dipole, Doppler and aberration effects on the CMB considering realistic beaming, noise and mask effects. Our pipeline results in independent and unbiased estimators which have uncertainties only  $\approx 20\%$  larger than the simple theoretical expectations. We discuss the achievable precision in each measurement for Planck 2018 and also forecast them for future ground-based experiments with the Simons Observatory and CMB stage IV experiment (CMB-S4). An alternative pipeline is present in order to cross-check results and improve robustness.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

The first clear measurement of the cosmic microwave background (CMB) temperature dipole dates back almost 50 years [1]. It has two main components: the orbital dipole, due to the motion around the Sun, and the solar dipole, due to the motion of the Solar System with respect to the CMB rest frame. The former has a predictable yearly modulation and therefore was used to calibrate both WMAP and Planck maps [2,3]. The latter, measured after removal of the orbital contribution, is the largest CMB anisotropy, with an amplitude of  $3.36208 \pm 0.00099$  mK [3]. This is  $\sim 100$  larger than the anisotropies in the other multipoles  $\ell$  until  $\ell \sim 1000$  (in higher  $\ell$ 's, the Silk damping effect makes fluctuations increasingly smaller).

The high amplitude of the temperature dipole is the main reason for it to be often fully credited to the proper motion between the Solar System and the CMB rest frame. If one assumes that the entire dipole has such an origin, the inferred relative velocity is  $(369.82 \pm 0.11)$  km/s. This velocity estimate is of importance beyond early Universe physics and the CMB, and it is regularly used in astronomy

in order to convert observed redshifts into heliocentric redshifts. There is, however, no reason to assume that there cannot be an intrinsic component to the dipole. Concrete alternatives to the kinematic scenario were discussed already 3 decades ago by [4], which showed that a large local void could also explain the dipole. This particular scenario was further investigated by, e.g., [5,6]. A “tilted universe scenario” composed of a superhorizon isocurvature perturbation was proposed in [7]. An inflationary model which produces similar results was proposed by [8].

The separation of primordial and kinematic effects in the CMB is not straightforward as in the case of adiabatic perturbations there is a degeneracy between the Doppler effect and the primordial perturbations. As discussed in detail in [9], however, this degeneracy can be broken by measuring the Doppler- and aberrationlike couplings in the CMB. In the case of a peculiar velocity these couplings must be present and with well-determined coefficients, as discussed in [10,11] (see also [12] for a review). In other scenarios, one or both of these couplings can differ. Therefore, if one measures the dipole, Doppler and aberration effects independently one can learn about the intrinsic CMB dipole and test the hypothesis that the CMB dipole is mostly due to a peculiar velocity. It also allows for a more

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model-independent measurement of our peculiar velocity, which has implications in inferring the cosmological redshift of all sources.

The aberration and Doppler couplings of the CMB were shown to be detectable by Planck by [10,13], and subsequently measured by [14] following an estimator proposed in [15]. These couplings were also shown to affect the measurements of some CMB anomalies such as the dipolar modulation (and the connected hemispherical asymmetry) [16] and the quadrupole anomalies [17]. On the other hand, if the primordial map is Gaussian it was shown not to affect  $f_{\text{NL}}$  measurements [18]. Alternative methods to measure these couplings were also recently proposed in [19]. Finally, in [20] it was shown that similar couplings arise, with higher significance than the temperature couplings, as a leakage of temperature correlations into thermal Sunyaev-Zeldovich (TSZ) maps, which can be measured by cross-correlating TSZ and temperature ( $T$ ) maps. This cross-correlation was recently detected with significance above  $5\sigma$  by [21], but this effect is physically *completely* degenerate with the basic dipole measurement and serves only as a cross-check of the model and data. Finally, exploiting the frequency-dependence of these couplings in the low-multipoles of the CMB was proposed as a way to separate the intrinsic and kinematic components of the dipole [22].

The Planck measurements of aberration and Doppler in [14] made use of only the 143 and 217 GHz channels and measured  $v = 384 \pm 78(\text{statistical}) \pm 115$  km/s (systematic). As explained in that work this measurement, however, did not distinguish from possible intrinsic contributions and is at least partly degenerate with the standard dipole measurements since the spurious Doppler couplings from the conversion of intensity into temperature was not removed. Similar measurements have been very recently performed in Planck 2018 data, yielding a result of  $v = (298.5 \pm 65.6)$  km/s in a direction compatible with the dipole [23]. In this work we propose several improvements to the methodology of [14]. First of all we propose to remove the couplings which bring no new information with respect to the dipole. Second, we propose to remove biases in the estimators of aberration and Doppler by simulating the effects using many combinations of orientations in the simulations. This ensures that no *a priori* information on the direction of either effect is assumed. Third, for Planck we propose using the final component separated maps of SMICA and NILC instead on single-frequency maps. Finally, we discuss also the benefits of adding  $E$ -mode polarization maps ( $E$ ) to both aberration and Doppler measurements. We discuss the achievable precision in both measurements for Planck 2018 using this pipeline and also forecast the precision for future ground-based experiments with the Simons Observatory [24] and CMB-S4 [25].

These proposed improvements result not only in much smaller systematic errors but also in better precision.

Moreover they hinge on less assumptions. They were also applied to real Planck 2018 data in our companion article [26], where for the first time we are able to put an upper bounds on the intrinsic CMB dipole and find that its amplitude must be  $< 3.7$  mK at 95% confidence level. An estimate of our peculiar velocity with the CMB without assuming a negligible intrinsic component was also made, resulting in  $v = (300_{-93}^{+111})$  km/s with  $(l, b) = (276 \pm 32, 51 \pm 19)^\circ$  [SMICA], and  $v = (296_{-88}^{+111})$  km/s with  $(l, b) = (280 \pm 33, 50 \pm 20)^\circ$  [NILC]

## II. INDEPENDENT ESTIMATORS FOR DOPPLER AND ABERRATION

As discussed in [10,27], the primordial temperature  $T(\hat{n})$  on the direction  $\hat{n}$  seen by an observer with a peculiar velocity  $\beta$  turns into the boosted  $T'(\hat{n}')$  following the equation

$$T'(\hat{n}') = \frac{T(\hat{n})}{\gamma^{\text{D}}(1 - \beta^{\text{D}} \cdot \hat{n})}, \quad (1)$$

with the aberrated direction  $\hat{n}'$  given by

$$\hat{n}' = \frac{\hat{n} \cdot \hat{\beta}^{\text{A}} + \beta^{\text{A}}}{1 + \hat{n} \cdot \hat{\beta}^{\text{A}}} \hat{\beta}^{\text{A}} + \frac{[\hat{n} - (\hat{n} \cdot \hat{\beta}^{\text{A}})\hat{\beta}^{\text{A}}]}{\gamma^{\text{A}}(1 + \beta^{\text{A}} \cdot \hat{n})}, \quad (2)$$

where the index A stands for aberration and D for Doppler, and  $\gamma^{\text{X}} = [1 - (\beta^{\text{X}})^2]^{-1/2}$ . In the traditional case where our peculiar velocity is the only source of aberration- and Doppler-like signals one has  $\beta^{\text{A}} = \beta^{\text{D}} = \beta$ . In this work instead we separate explicitly the sources of Doppler and aberration in order to further test the peculiar velocity assumption. We will therefore allow also for the case in which  $\beta^{\text{A}} \neq \beta^{\text{D}}$ . This allows in principle the measurement of a nonadiabatic intrinsic dipole in the CMB, as discussed in detail in [9]. Doppler and aberration due to a boost likewise affect the polarization maps and, as shown in [11] for Planck, there should be non-negligible information in polarization, both for the two point estimators using only  $E$  maps ( $EE$ ) and cross-correlating with temperature ( $TE + ET$ ).

The above can then be expanded on spherical harmonics. For a given CMB map the coefficients  $a_{\ell m}$  can be expanded in a first-order approximation in  $\beta$ . For  $\beta \sim 10^{-3}$  such an expansion works surprisingly well all the way up to  $\ell \sim 3000$  [11,28]. We therefore proceed this way, which means that Doppler and aberration couple the  $\ell$ ,  $\ell + 1$  components but not other  $\ell$ ,  $\ell + n$ . We also separate the aberration and Doppler contributions in the final  $a_{\ell m}$ 's

$$a'_{\ell m} = a_{\ell m}^{\text{Prim}} + a_{\ell m}^{\text{A}} + a_{\ell m}^{\text{D}}, \quad (3)$$

where  $a_{\ell m}^{\text{Prim}}$  are the primordial coefficients. It is convenient to define the quantity

$${}_s G_{\ell m} \equiv \sqrt{\frac{\ell^2 - m^2}{4\ell^2 - 1} \left[ 1 - \frac{s^2}{\ell^2} \right]}, \quad (4)$$

where  $s = 0$  for temperature and  $s = 2$  for polarization. We can then write, first considering  $\beta$  only in the  $z$  direction

$$a_{\ell m}^A = c_{\ell m}^{A,-} a_{\ell-1 m}^{\text{Prim}} + c_{\ell+1 m}^{A,+} a_{\ell+1 m}^{\text{Prim}}, \quad (5)$$

$$a_{\ell m}^D = c_{\ell m}^D a_{\ell-1 m}^{\text{Prim}} + c_{\ell+1 m}^D a_{\ell+1 m}^{\text{Prim}}, \quad (6)$$

with

$$c_{\ell m}^D = -\beta_z^D {}_s G_{\ell m} \quad \text{and} \quad c_{\ell m}^{A,\pm} = \beta_z^A (1 \pm \ell) {}_s G_{\ell m}.$$

For the case of only a peculiar velocity ( $\beta^A = \beta^D \equiv \beta$ ), following [10] one defines the quantity

$$f_{\ell m} \equiv \mathbb{R}e[a_{\ell m}^* a_{\ell+1 m}], \quad (7)$$

the theoretical expectation of which is

$$\langle f_{\ell m} \rangle = [c_{\ell+1 m}^{A,-} + c_{\ell+1 m}^D] C_{\ell} + [c_{\ell+1 m}^{A,+} + c_{\ell+1 m}^D] C_{\ell+1}. \quad (8)$$

It is then convenient to define  $\hat{f}_{\ell m}^{\text{TH}} \equiv \langle f_{\ell m} \rangle / \beta_z$  which is independent of  $\beta_z$  at first order and use the following estimator:

$$\hat{\beta}_z = \left( \sum_{\ell, m} \frac{f_{\ell m}^{\text{obs}} \hat{f}_{\ell m}^{\text{TH}}}{\mathfrak{C}_{\ell} \mathfrak{C}_{\ell+1}} \right) \left( \sum_{\ell, m} \frac{(\hat{f}_{\ell m}^{\text{TH}})^2}{\mathfrak{C}_{\ell} \mathfrak{C}_{\ell+1}} \right)^{-1}, \quad (9)$$

where  $\mathfrak{C}_{\ell} \equiv (C_{\ell} + N_{\ell})$  is the sum of the signal and noise spectra.

In the general case where  $\beta$  has all Cartesian components, the above is generalized following Appendix B of [10]. In particular it involves the two point functions  $a_{\ell m} a_{\ell+1 m \pm 1}$ . One can also make use of the Wigner rotation matrix to rotate (using the  $a_{\ell m}$ 's) a vector in the  $z$ -axis to any other point in the sphere and vice versa.

The above estimator does not consider the important effects of a sky mask. Moreover, it does not account for anisotropic noise and other systematic effects. Applying the mask  $W$  and adding noise we get

$$\tilde{a}_{\ell m} = \sum_{\ell' m'} a_{\ell' m'} K_{\ell m \ell' m'} [W] + \sum_{\ell'' m''} a_{\ell'' m''}^{\text{noise}} K_{\ell m \ell'' m''} [W], \quad (10)$$

where  $K_{\ell m \ell' m'} [W]$  is the mask kernel and  $a_{\ell m}^{\text{noise}}$  are the components of the noise map. Considering  $\ell_{\text{max}} \sim 2000$  it is computationally unfeasible to obtain the inverse matrix of  $K_{\ell m \ell'' m''} [W]$  to remove the mask effect. Therefore, we instead consider as a first step the effect of the mask only on the angular power spectra in what we call our ‘‘baseline’’ estimator. For the noise, we also consider initially only its angular power spectrum, ignoring its anisotropies. We then

take into account the anisotropies of both mask and noise by performing realistic simulations using HEALPIX in which the full mask is added and noise included using the set of Planck dx12 noise simulations for the corresponding map-making procedure. With these simulations we apply additive and multiplicative corrections to the baseline estimator. This is described in more detail in Sec. V.

The isotropic effect of the mask is a change on the angular power spectrum  $C_{\ell}$ ,

$$\tilde{C}_{\ell_1} = \sum_{\ell_2} M_{\ell_1 \ell_2} C_{\ell_2} \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{N}_{\ell_1} = \sum_{\ell_2} M_{\ell_1 \ell_2} N_{\ell_2}, \quad (11)$$

where a tilde is used when including the mask.  $M_{\ell_1 \ell_2}$  is called the MASTER correlation matrix and is discussed in detail in [29,30]. The masked angular spectra including noise are then represented by  $\tilde{\mathfrak{C}}_{\ell} \equiv \tilde{C}_{\ell} + \tilde{N}_{\ell}$ , and this is the quantity we employ on Eq. (9) for our baseline estimator discussed above.

As discussed previously, here we are interested also in the case  $\beta^A \neq \beta^D$ . This encourages the definition of

$$\beta_z^X \hat{f}_{\ell m}^{\text{TH},X} \equiv c_{\ell+1 m}^{X,-} C_{\ell} + c_{\ell+1 m}^{X,+} C_{\ell+1}, \quad (12)$$

for  $X = A$  or  $D$  and ‘‘D,+’’ = ‘‘D,-’’ =  $D$ . However, simply rewriting the estimator above for  $\beta^A$  and  $\beta^D$  separately would not consider the correlations between the aberration and Doppler signals. In fact, since both effects introduce  $\ell, \ell+1$  correlations, they cannot be disentangled exactly. The most precise way to solve this problem would be to minimize a  $\chi^2$  numerically for independent  $\beta^D$  and  $\beta^A$  for each vector component,

$$\chi^2(\beta_i^A, \beta_i^D) = 2 \sum_{\ell, m} \frac{[f_{\ell m}^{\text{obs}} - \beta_i^A \hat{f}_{\ell m}^{\text{TH},A} - \beta_i^D \hat{f}_{\ell m}^{\text{TH},D}]^2}{C_{\ell} C_{\ell+1}}. \quad (13)$$

That is nevertheless computationally very demanding considering the number of simulations we make use of to correct the bias of masking and anisotropic noise (see Sec. V). The Planck Collaboration separated both aberration and Doppler signals using orthogonalized weight matrices [14]. A simpler solution is to just use independent estimators for A and D following Eq. (9) and to remove the correlation *a posteriori* on the data analysis. We adopt this computationally simple, but very effective approach, considering the correlation as a linear effect which is described in detail on Sec. VI and which allows an approximately independent measurement of both aberration and Doppler. We find that this approach is appropriate even for higher precision levels than the ones achievable on present data.

We also consider the more traditional case in which one assumes *a priori* that  $\beta^A \equiv \beta^D \equiv \beta^B$  as in a standard boost (B) transformation. This corresponds to a boost due to a peculiar velocity in the standard slow-roll inflation

scenario, which does not allow for any additional source of Doppler- and aberrationlike couplings. This in general leads to a higher significant detection of these couplings if indeed there are no other sources of such couplings besides a regular boost. On the other hand such a measurement reduces to a simple cross-check, as assuming no other sources of such couplings means that all physical information is already encoded in the high-precision observation of the temperature dipole. The estimated uncertainties in  $\beta^A$ ,  $\beta^D$  and  $\beta^B$  of both ideal (without mask and noise) and realistic simulated cases are shown in Sec. VII.

### III. THE DIPOLE DISTORTION EFFECT ON THE ESTIMATORS

The Planck Collaboration does not provide the exact temperature map from their measurements. Instead it converts intensity maps on different frequencies  $\nu$  into a temperature map using a linearized relation between both quantities. Defining the quantity  $\delta T/T_0$  as the first-order dimensionless temperature anisotropies for  $\ell \geq 2$ , this procedure introduces distortions in the CMB maps of the order  $\sim \beta \delta T/T_0$ , which are not due to any primordial process. This was originally pointed out by [31] in the particular case of the quadrupole and developed in the general case by [20] (see also [32]). We summarize the main points below.

The bolometric specific intensity  $I(\nu, \hat{n})$  on the CMB rest frame is given by

$$I(\nu, \hat{n}) = \frac{h}{c^2} \frac{2\nu^3}{e^{\frac{h\nu}{k_B T(\hat{n})}} - 1}. \quad (14)$$

We Taylor expand around  $T_0$  to first order, decomposing  $T(\hat{n}) = T_0 + \Delta T(\hat{n})$ , and get

$$\delta I(\nu, \hat{n}) \approx \frac{h}{c^2} \frac{2\nu^4 e^{\frac{\nu}{\nu_0}}}{T_0^2 (e^{\frac{\nu}{\nu_0}} - 1)^2} \delta T(\hat{n}) \equiv K(\nu) \frac{\Delta T(\hat{n})}{T_0}, \quad (15)$$

where  $\nu_0 \equiv k_B T_0/h = (56.79 \pm 0.01)$  GHz [33]. The default approach since WMAP is to *define* temperature fluctuations  $\Delta T$  as a linear correction to the intensity fluctuations  $\delta I$ :  $\Delta T/T_0(\hat{n})|_{\text{linear}} \equiv \delta I(\nu, \hat{n})/K(\nu)$ , which following [17] we will refer to as the “linearized temperature”  $L(\hat{n}) \equiv \delta I(\nu, \hat{n})/K(\nu)$ . If we now extend the expansion to second order we get<sup>1</sup>

$$L(\nu, \hat{n}) = \frac{\Delta T(\hat{n})}{T_0} + \left( \frac{\Delta T(\hat{n})}{T_0} \right)^2 [Q(\nu) - 1], \quad (16)$$

where

<sup>1</sup>This corrects a typo in [20] where the  $-1$  was missing.

$$Q(\nu) \equiv \frac{\nu}{2\nu_0} \coth \left[ \frac{\nu}{2\nu_0} \right]. \quad (17)$$

The second-order term shows that higher-order blackbody distortions would appear.

Following Notari and Quartin [20] we expand the linearized temperature  $L$  into terms which contain perturbations  $\mathcal{O}(10^{-8})$  or higher. These include terms  $\mathcal{O}(\beta^2)$  and  $\mathcal{O}(\beta \delta T/T_0)$ , but not  $\mathcal{O}(\beta^3)$  or  $\mathcal{O}([\delta T/T_0]^2)$ . As discussed in [9] and in our companion article [26], we can gain information on the nature of the intrinsic CMB dipole by confronting the aberration, Doppler and dipole measurements. In particular, the Doppler couplings contain contributions from this intrinsic component, but the amplitude of these couplings are in general not the same as the temperature dipole. So it is convenient to write for the observed dipole  $\Delta_1 \equiv \beta + \Delta_{1,\text{int}}$ , where  $\beta$  is our velocity and  $\Delta_{1,\text{int}}$  is the intrinsic dipole, and for the Doppler couplings coefficient  $\beta^D = \beta + \alpha$ , where  $\alpha$  where  $\alpha \equiv (1 + \alpha^{\text{NG}})\Delta_{1,\text{int}}$  are the intrinsic Doppler couplings [26],<sup>2</sup> which depend on the primordial anisotropy scenario. The complete temperature anisotropy  $\Delta T$  is therefore written as  $\Delta T(\hat{n}) = \Delta_1 T_0 + \delta T(\hat{n}) + (\alpha \cdot \hat{n}) \delta T(\hat{n}) + \mathcal{O}(10^{-9})$ . Including the effect of aberration and Doppler on  $I(\nu, \hat{n})$ , one gets

$$I'(\nu', \hat{n}') = \frac{h}{c^2} \frac{2\nu'^3}{e^{\frac{h\nu'}{k_B T(\hat{n}')}} - 1}, \quad (18)$$

where  $\nu = \gamma(1 - \beta \cdot \hat{n})\nu'$ . We thus arrive at

$$I'(\nu', \hat{n}') = \frac{2h}{c^2} \frac{\nu'^3}{\frac{\nu' \gamma(1 - \beta \cdot \hat{n}')}{e^{\frac{\nu_0(1 + \frac{\delta T(\hat{n}')}{T_0} + \Delta_{1,\text{int}} \hat{n}' + \frac{\delta T(\hat{n}')}{T_0} \alpha \cdot \hat{n}')} - 1}}. \quad (19)$$

Expanding to the order discussed above and dividing by  $K(\nu')$  we arrive at

$$\begin{aligned} L(\nu', \hat{n}') &= -\frac{1}{2}\beta^2 + \frac{1}{3}\Delta_1^2 Q(\nu') + \Delta_1 \cdot \hat{n} \\ &+ \Delta_1^2 Q(\nu') \left[ (\hat{\Delta}_1 \cdot \hat{n})^2 - \frac{1}{3} \right] \\ &+ (\beta \cdot \hat{n})(\Delta_1 \cdot \hat{n}) - (\Delta_1 \cdot \hat{n})^2 \\ &+ \frac{\delta T(\hat{n}')}{T_0} [\beta^D \cdot \hat{n} + 2\Delta_1 \cdot \hat{n}(Q(\nu') - 1)] \\ &+ \frac{\delta T(\hat{n}')}{T_0} + \beta^A \frac{\delta T_{ab}(\hat{n}')}{T_0} + \mathcal{O}(10^{-9}). \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

<sup>2</sup>Note that we are now adopting a slightly different notation than in Eq. (1), but which is more in line with what was demonstrated in [9], i.e., that  $\alpha$  affects only the Doppler couplings and not the full Lorentz boost.

This is the most general way to decompose the terms so as to isolate all effects that carry no new information apart from the dipole and represents an extension over the results in [20]. The first two terms are contributions to the monopole, and in particular the second is sometimes called the  $\gamma$ -type monopole [34]. The third term is the standard CMB dipole. The terms on the second and third lines are the Doppler-quadrupole terms. They carry a frequency dependence, originally discussed by Kamionkowski and Knox [31]. Here we expanded the Doppler quadrupole into three terms because we allow for an intrinsic dipole; when it is assumed to be zero, only the first term remains. The next terms are the ones we are interested in this paper: they are the Doppler modulation due to  $\beta^D$  (a combination of our peculiar velocity and intrinsic contributions) and the dipole distortions (DDs), which we discuss below. Finally the aberration effect in the anisotropies are described by  $\beta^A \delta T_{ab}/T_0$ , which includes our velocity and a possible contribution to aberration from an intrinsic dipole [9,26], but note that the total effect is expected to have an amplitude similar to  $\beta$ . This is also what we find in the real data in the companion article [26].

In what follows for simplicity of notation we will omit the primes from  $\nu$  and  $\hat{n}$  since we will always be referring to quantities in the rest frame of the observer.

As discussed in detail by [20], the crucial point is that the DDs do not add any new information not already contained in the very precise measurements of  $\Delta_1$ . Nevertheless, they leave an imprint in the data which is degenerate with the Doppler modulations. Therefore, in order to make measurements of Doppler and aberration which are independent from the basic dipole measurements one needs to remove this contribution in the analysis. This was first realized by the Planck Collaboration in their measurement of the Doppler modulations [14], but they did not attempt to make this separation. Their Doppler modulation measurements are thus driven in part by the dipole itself.

We so far discussed the DDs only in terms of the temperature maps, but the same effect is also present in the  $E$  and  $B$  polarization maps [32]. In the  $B$  maps much higher precision is needed to get good measurements of this effect than what is expected in the near future, so we will ignore it. But this is not the case for the  $E$  maps. We therefore also need to remove the DDs from the  $E$  map.

In order to remove the redundant DD contribution from our Doppler measurements we need to estimate the effective weight of the frequency-dependent contributions arising from  $Q(\nu)$  on a given map-making procedure. Here we will therefore only consider the Planck map-making methods that are mostly based on linear combinations of single-frequency maps on harmonic space which make it possible to calculate the effective  $DD(\ell)$  contribution in a straightforward manner. In particular, from the four main CMB maps we will restrict ourselves to only two: SMICA and NILC. These pipelines rely on the sum of single-

frequency maps using weights that vary with  $\ell$  in a way that optimizes the CMB signal extraction.

We can now define the DD factor  $DD_\ell^M$  for each map-making method as

$$DD_\ell^M \equiv \sum_\nu 2X_{\ell,\nu}^M [Q(\nu) - 1], \quad (21)$$

where  $X_{\ell,\nu}^M$  is the weight of each multipole in the frequency channel  $\nu$  of map M. For each  $\ell$ , the sum of all single-frequency components have to obey

$$\sum_\nu X_{\ell,\nu}^M = 1. \quad (22)$$

The SMICA's  $X_{\ell\nu}^{\text{SMICA}}$  and NILC's  $X_{\ell\nu}^{\text{NILC}}$  weights are defined in [35] for temperature as<sup>3</sup>

$$X_{\ell\nu}^{\text{SMICA},T} = \frac{W_{\ell\nu}^{\text{Full},T}}{b_{\ell\nu}c_\nu} + P(\ell) \left[ \frac{W_{\ell\nu}^{\text{High},T}}{b_{\ell\nu}} - \frac{W_{\ell\nu}^{\text{Full},T}}{b_{\ell\nu}c_\nu} \right], \quad (23)$$

$$X_{\ell\nu}^{\text{NILC},T} = \frac{\sum_{\text{band}} W_\nu^{\text{NMW},T,\text{band}} h_\ell^{\text{band}}}{\sum_{\text{band}} h_\ell^{\text{band}}}. \quad (24)$$

In the above,  $P(\ell)$  is a linear operator that applies a high-pass filter with a multiplicative factor,<sup>4</sup>  $W_{\ell\nu}^{\text{Full}}$  and  $W_{\ell\nu}^{\text{High}}$  are the weights for each frequency considering all frequencies (full) or only high frequencies (100, 143, 217, 353, 545 and 857 GHz),  $b_{\ell\nu}$  is the beam function and  $c_\nu$  is a calibration factor.  $W^{\text{NMW},\text{band}}$  are the mean weights for each single-frequency component for each band, where the needlets  $h_\ell^{\text{band}}$  define the extension and weight of the bands. For polarization  $E$  channel, only 30, 44, 70, 100, 143, 217, and 353 GHz frequencies are used and SMICA weights are defined in [35] as

$$X_{\ell\nu}^{\text{SMICA},E} = \frac{W_{\ell\nu}^{\text{Full},E}}{b_{\ell\nu}c_\nu}, \quad (25)$$

$$X_{\ell\nu}^{\text{NILC},E} = \frac{\sum_{\text{band}} W_\nu^{\text{NMW},E,\text{band}} h_\ell^{\text{band}}}{\sum_{\text{band}} h_\ell^{\text{band}}}. \quad (26)$$

The DD generates an effective Doppler-like modulation with an effective velocity  $\beta^{\text{DD},M}(\ell) \equiv DD_\ell^M \Delta_1$ , this

<sup>3</sup>Considering deconvolution, calibration and the mask, as per the SMICA propagation code available at [https://wiki.cosmos.esa.int/planck-legacy-archive/index.php/SMICA\\_propagation\\_code](https://wiki.cosmos.esa.int/planck-legacy-archive/index.php/SMICA_propagation_code).

<sup>4</sup>This factor is the sky fraction ( $f_{\text{sky}}$ ) of the transition mask used to combine  $W^{\text{Full}}$  and  $W^{\text{High}}$  considering different weights for regions near and far from the Galactic plane on SMICA 2018 pipeline. This is useful to compute the effective weight for a full map and was used to compare our pipeline with Planck's dx12 simulations. When using masked maps  $X_{\ell\nu}^{\text{SMICA}} \simeq W_{\ell\nu}^{\text{High}}/b_{\ell\nu}$  for  $\ell \geq 150$  (equal if the mask covers all the transition region).

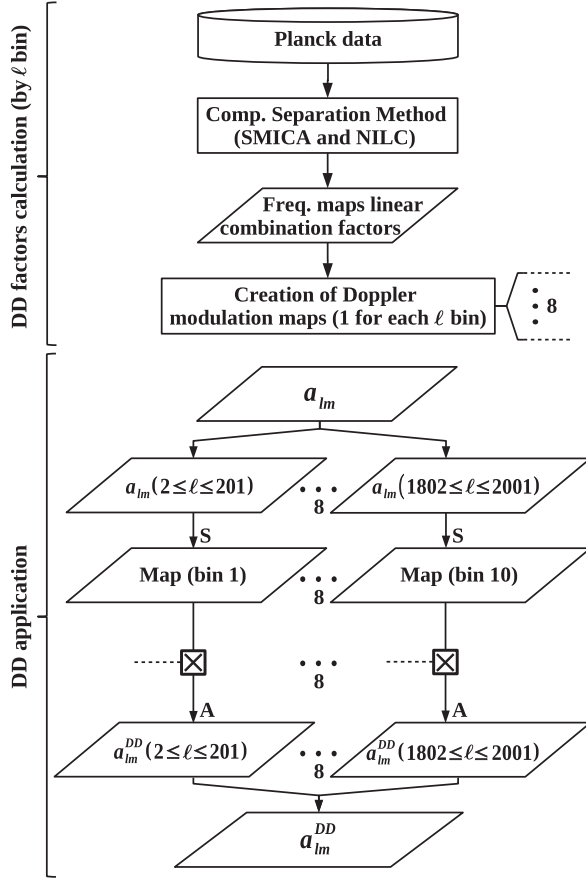


FIG. 1. Dipole distortion pipeline. For each temperature and polarization map an equivalent Doppler modulation map is created for each multipole bin with the effective Doppler modulation by applying the DD directly on pixel space (see text). We use 10 bins of  $\Delta\ell = 200$ . **A** and **S** indicate the use of HEALPix routines *anafast* and *synfast*, respectively.

modulation is of the order of  $\sim 300\text{--}600$  km/s, pointing in the dipole direction. Since it is degenerate with any Doppler-like signal, results will be biased toward the dipole direction if this is not removed. We therefore built a pipeline which allows an accurate removal of the DDs. Since this is an important issue, we built an alternative pipeline to cross-check the DD removal. Both pipelines are discussed in Sec. IV. The complete process of reproducing the DD is summarized in Fig. 1.

The value of this spurious effective velocity as a function of multipole is depicted in Fig. 2 using Eq. (21). For our pipelines (discussed below) we need to work on pixel space and thus need to make maps using bins of  $\ell$ . We therefore divide the  $a_{\ell m}$ 's into bins, generate a map for each bin separately and apply the modulation on pixel space. We settled on 10 multipole bins of size  $\Delta\ell = 200$  ( $2 \leq \ell < 2001$ ) as a good compromise between computational cost and precision: the latter was estimated to be  $\sim 1\%$ . The DD effect is thus the weighted average

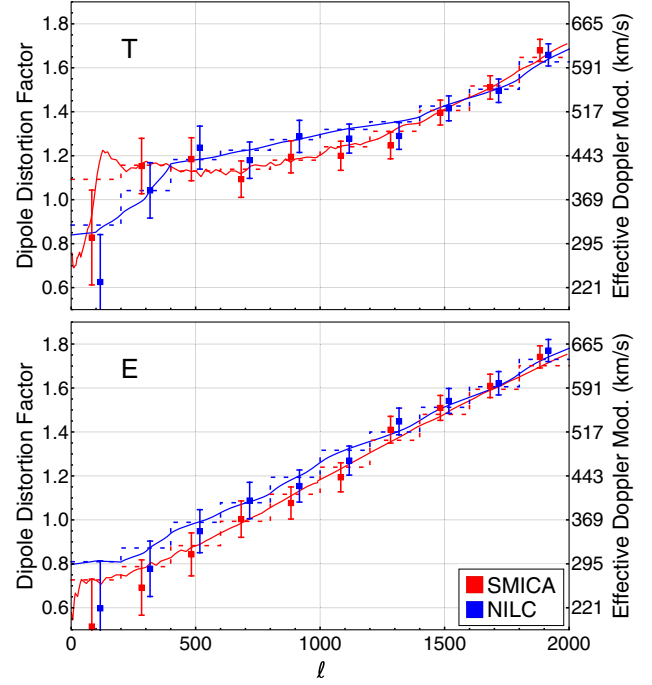


FIG. 2. Dipole distortion values for the  $T$  and  $E$  maps for both SMICA and NILC. Solid lines are computed using Eq. (21); dashed stepwise lines are their binned versions from Eq. (27). We also show in each bin the average recovered values in our 1024 simulations and their  $1\sigma$  uncertainty as a cross-check. Using Planck's dx12 simulations yields equivalent results.

$$\text{DD}_{\text{bin}}^{\text{M}} \equiv \frac{\sum_{\ell=200(\text{bin}-1)+2}^{200\text{bin}+1} (2\ell + 1) \text{DD}^{\text{M}}(\ell)}{\sum_{\ell=200(\text{bin}-1)+2}^{200\text{bin}+1} (2\ell + 1)}. \quad (27)$$

The  $2\ell + 1$  weight is used as that is the number of modes in each  $\ell$ . As discussed in more detail in the Appendix the Doppler uncertainty in each multipole is, in the absence of mask and noise, directly given by  $1.225(2\ell + 1)^{-1/2}$ . Therefore, we are weighting by the inverse uncertainty squared, so that in each bin the higher multipoles have a larger weight in the overall DD factor.

We finally define  $\beta_{\text{bin}}^{\text{DD,M}} \equiv \text{DD}_{\text{bin}}^{\text{M}} \Delta_1$  and so the transformation on  $T(\hat{n})$  is for a given multipole bin is

$$T(\hat{n})_{\text{bin}}^{\text{DD,M}} = \frac{T(\hat{n})_{\text{bin}}^{\text{M}}}{\gamma(1 - \beta_{\text{bin}}^{\text{DD,M}} \cdot \hat{n})}. \quad (28)$$

Summing the  $a_{\ell m}$ 's of all 10 binned maps we generate the final map with the complete DD effect, completing the DD pipeline (see Fig. 1) for both  $\text{M} = \text{SMICA}, T$  and  $\text{M} = \text{NILC}, T$ . The procedure is equivalent for  $E(\hat{n})$ .

#### IV. SIMULATIONS PIPELINES

In order to have an accurate estimate we make use of a large number of realistic simulations to fit the effective bias function depending on angular scale. Aiming at robustness,

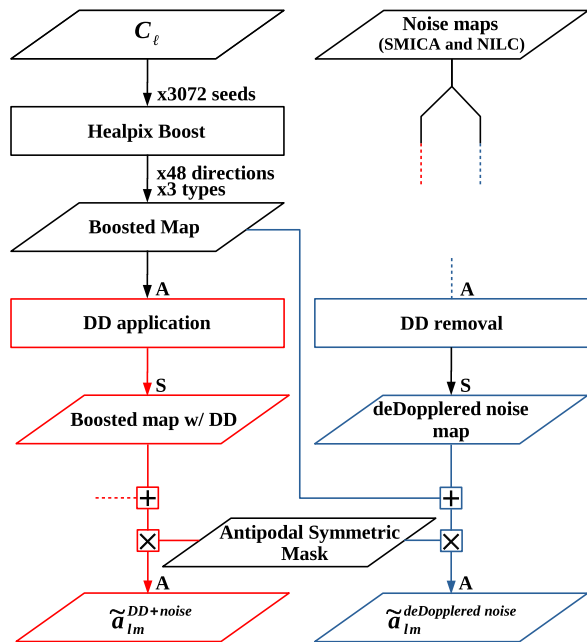


FIG. 3. Similar to Fig. 1 for the full simulation pipelines MP and CCP. Red (blue) steps are exclusive to the MP (CCP). We generate 64 boosted maps from Planck  $C_\ell$ 's for each 48 different directions and apply one of the three types of signal: a complete boost (aberration + Doppler), Doppler only, or aberration only. In total we have 9216 simulations for each SMICA and NILC. The pipelines then diverge. MP: The DD is applied in all maps, which are then summed with Planck noise maps and masked. CCP: A DD removal (DDD) is applied over the noise maps, which are then summed with the signal (A + D, D or A) and masked.

we use two alternative pipelines in order to confirm our results. The main pipeline (MP) is the one which we use to quote our final results. The cross-check pipeline (CCP) is an alternative way to remove the DDs and which we use to validate our removal method. All steps done to reproduce these simulations are summarized in Fig. 3.

To recreate the effects of aberration and Doppler on CMB maps we used the HEALPIX-Boost code [36,37],<sup>5</sup> a modified version of HEALPIX [38]. HEALPIX-Boost applies both effects on the mapping between harmonic and pixel space first on the  $\hat{z}$  direction and generalizes to an arbitrary direction through a Wigner rotation matrix (see, for instance, [10]) using a modified *alteralm* code.

The pipeline presented in Fig. 3 can be summarized as follows. We start with a  $C_\ell$  based on latest Planck 2018 cosmology [39] including lensing. We then produce 3072 Gaussian maps with HEALPIX. For each map three types of signal are applied using HEALPIX-Boost, generating three new maps: a complete boost (aberration + Doppler), a Doppler-only effect and an aberration-only effect. In the most general case, Doppler and aberration may have different orientations, so we simulate each of the three

effects in 48 different directions (based on the center of HEALPIX pixels of  $N_{\text{side}} = 2$ ). In each direction and signal type we perform 64 simulations. In all cases we assume  $|\beta| = 0.001234$  (i.e.,  $v \equiv \beta c = 370$  km/s). Note that since all three Cartesian estimators are independent, this procedure is equivalent to making boosts in each component for different values in the range  $[-0.001234, 0.001234]$ . We remark that this procedure differs from what was carried out by [14], where all boosted simulations were on the dipole direction with the dipole amplitude. The motivation behind our procedure is to guarantee that both aberration and Doppler estimators are not biased toward the dipole direction.

After this step there is a divergence between the MP and CCP. The main difference between the MP and CCP is that on MP the DD effect is left to be removed later in the analysis, while on the CCP the DD is removed directly on the CMB maps. Since we compute mask and estimator biases directly using simulations each pipeline led to different biases to be removed in the analysis. The base code to reproduce the MP and CCP, including examples, is made available online.<sup>6</sup>

### A. Main Pipeline

For the MP the DD effect is applied over the simulated maps (already with aberration, Doppler or boost signals) and we arrive at  $T(\hat{n})^{\text{DD},M}$  in Eq. (28). The maps are then summed with the Planck noise maps  $N^M(\hat{n})$  for each component separation method M and multiplied by the mask  $W(\hat{n})$ . We will henceforth use a tilde to denote variables which include not only the masking effect but also the anisotropic noise. The final, realistic, map  $\tilde{T}(\hat{n})^{\text{DD}+\text{noise},M}$  is

$$\tilde{T}(\hat{n})^{\text{DD}+\text{noise},M} = [T(\hat{n})^{\text{DD},M} + N^M(\hat{n})]W(\hat{n}), \quad (29)$$

and equivalently for  $E$  maps. In order to avoid any dipolar signature from the mask, which could be a source of bias, we use a mask with antipodal symmetry, as proposed in [16]. This type of mask has the special property

$$W(l, b) = W(l + \pi, -b), \quad (30)$$

where  $(l, b)$  are the Galactic coordinates. So for any masked pixel we mask also the antipodal pixel, ensuring by construction a dipolar symmetry. We generate our masks based on the component separation common masks for both temperature [also known as UT78(2018) mask] and polarization [also known as UP78(2018) mask], apodized with a  $10'$  Gaussian beam. This process removes an extra 5% of the sky, which diminishes the precision of the estimators by only  $\sim 2\%$ . Figure 4 depicts both the original

<sup>5</sup><https://www.github.com/mquartin/healpix-boost>.

<sup>6</sup><https://www.github.com/pdsferreira/cmb-aber-dopp>.

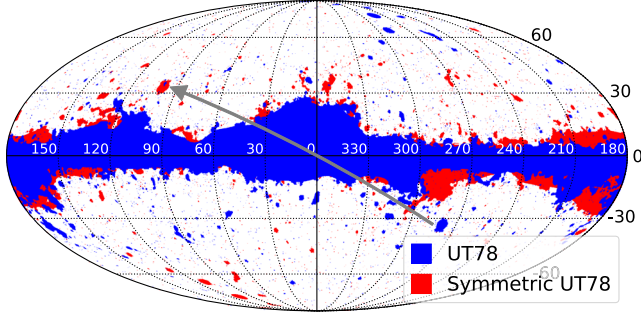


FIG. 4. Antipodally symmetric UT78(2018) mask. The gray arrow connects the large Magellanic cloud original position and its antipodal position. This removes an extra 5% of sky but helps prevent contamination of the mask in the estimators.

and the antipodally symmetric version of Planck UT78 (2018) mask, which we employ in this work for the  $T$  maps.

Finally we compute the  $a_{\ell m}$ 's of the final map. We use these simulations on the statistical and bias analyses. All the steps are carried out using  $N_{\text{side}} = 2048$  maps (i.e.,  $\sim 50$  megapixels),  $\ell_{\text{max}} = 2001$  and considering the realistic beam function given for each of Planck component separation maps.

### B. Cross-check Pipeline

In the CCP instead of adding the DD to the simulations, we remove it from the final Planck maps by applying a negative Doppler boost. This DD removal produces “de-Dopplered” (dDD) CMB maps. To be consistent, we also remove the DD from the noise maps, again with a negative Doppler boost. The dDD noise maps are calculated in bins, as done in Eq. (28),

$$N(\hat{n})_{\text{bin}}^{\text{dDD,M}} = \frac{N(\hat{n})_{\text{bin}}^{\text{dDD,M}}}{\gamma(1 + 2\text{DD}_{\text{bin}}^{\text{M}} \Delta_1 \cdot \hat{n})}. \quad (31)$$

The final noise summed maps are

$$N(\hat{n})^{\text{dDD,M}} = \sum_{\text{bin}=1}^{10} N(\hat{n})_{\text{bin}}^{\text{dDD,M}}. \quad (32)$$

$N(\hat{n})^{\text{dDD,M}}$  is then summed with the maps containing the signal (aberration, Doppler or boost) and the result multiplied by the mask,

$$\tilde{T}(\hat{n})^{\text{dDD,M}} = [T(\hat{n}) + N(\hat{n})^{\text{dDD,noise,M}}]W(\hat{n}), \quad (33)$$

for  $T$  maps and similarly for  $E$  maps (using polarization noise maps). From this we compute the  $a_{\ell m}$ 's, completing the CCP for simulations.

This can be done equivalently on harmonic space by subtracting the DD terms directly on the  $a_{\ell m}$ 's. From Eq. (20), considering  $\ell > 2$  terms and using the definition of Eq. (21), the DD can be removed using

$$a_{\ell m}^{\text{dDD,M}} = a_{\ell m}^{\text{M}} - [T(\hat{n}') \times (\Delta_1(\hat{n}') \cdot \hat{n}')]_{\ell m} \text{DD}_{\ell}^{\text{M}}, \quad (34)$$

for both  $T$  and  $E$ . The term  $\text{DD}_{\ell}^{\text{M}}$  assumes the same value for all  $m$  modes of a given  $\ell$ . After that the mask should be applied on the map generated by  $a_{\ell m}^{\text{dDD,M}}$ . As we are applying on the last term an additional DD on the observed maps (which already include a DD contribution), this ignores quadratic effects. This process also removes the DD from the noise; to be consistent one also has to remove the DD from the noise maps when estimating the bias

$$a_{\ell m}^{\text{dDD,noise,M}} = a_{\ell m}^{\text{noise,M}} - [N(\hat{n}') \times (\Delta_1(\hat{n}') \cdot \hat{n}')]_{\ell m} \text{DD}_{\ell}^{\text{M}}. \quad (35)$$

Both map- and harmonic-based dDD methods above recover the same results for  $TT$  estimator and very similar results on  $EE$ . In our companion article [26] we make use of the map-based method in our final results with the CCP on real data.

In both cases above of the CCP, besides the need to adjust the noise maps, some of the statistical properties of the maps may be affected. Indeed this was not considered in Planck's map-making procedures or noise simulations. In particular single-frequency weights used in the component separation may no longer be the optimal ones, due to the DD removal. This is the reason we do not set this as the main pipeline. We nevertheless find that both pipelines give consistent results, which increases the robustness of our findings.

### V. BIAS REMOVAL THROUGH BRUTE-FORCE MOCK SIMULATIONS

Besides the DD, other effects need to be accounted for in order to produce unbiased estimations for  $\beta^{\text{A}}$  and  $\beta^{\text{D}}$ . In particular we need to consider the anisotropy of the noise, the effect of masking and the correlation between  $\beta^{\text{A}}$  and  $\beta^{\text{D}}$ . On the MP we minimize the influence of DD, noise and mask by applying a sum and multiplication bias correction on the results of the estimator for each multipole bin of  $\Delta\ell = 10$ , for each case (aberration, Doppler or boost), Cartesian component and map-making method.

This bias correction is estimated allowing for a signal on any of 48 sky directions and any  $48^2$  combinations of  $\beta^{\text{A}}$  and  $\beta^{\text{D}}$ . The bias is then fitted for each Cartesian component estimator separately. As discussed in Sec. IV, this means that for each component we allow a large range of values of aberration and/or Doppler. The bias correction should thus work for any combination of such components.

In practice, we find the sum and multiplication bias correction factors by minimizing the following  $\chi^2$ :

$$\chi^2 = \sum_n \left( \frac{\tilde{\beta}_{nXYi,\text{bin}}^{\text{SIM,M}} - \lambda_{Xi,\text{bin}}^{\text{M}} \beta_{nXYi}^{\text{FID}} - \mu_{Xi,\text{bin}}^{\text{M}}}{\tilde{\sigma}_{XYi,\text{bin}}^{\text{SIM,M}}} \right)^2, \quad (36)$$

where  $n$  is a label for each simulation that identifies the original Gaussian simulation seed and the direction of the (A, D or B) signal,  $X$  is the signal applied (A, D or B),  $Y$  is the estimator used (A, D or B),  $i$  is the Cartesian component and “bin” is one of  $200\ell$ -bins between  $\ell = 2$  and



$\ell = 2001$ . SIM means the result of the estimator over a simulation, FID is the fiducial value and M is the map-making method (SMICA or NILC).  $\lambda_{Xi,bin}$  is the multiplicative bias and  $\mu_{Xi,bin}$  is the sum bias. Our Cartesian coordinate system is related to the Galactic coordinate system as follows.  $\hat{x}: (\ell, b) \rightarrow (0, 0)^\circ$ ,  $\hat{y}: (\ell, b) \rightarrow (90, 0)^\circ$ ,  $\hat{z}: (\ell, b) \rightarrow (0, 90)^\circ$ .

The estimated bias must not depend on the signal applied and only on the estimator used, as we do not know *a priori* the signal. The bias coefficients  $\lambda_{Xi,bin}$  and  $\mu_{Xi,bin}$  therefore cannot depend on  $\beta$ . We use  $X = Y$  to fit  $\lambda_{Xi,bin}$  and  $\mu_{Xi,bin}$  and  $X \neq Y$  to fit the correlations factors  $R_i$  and  $S_i$  (see Sec. VI). After removing the correlation the results are correct for any combinations of  $X, Y$ . The unbiased results with  $X = Y$  and  $X \neq Y$  are used to calculate the statistical and systematical errors, respectively. The final unbiased results are given by

$$\beta_{nXYi,bin}^{\text{SIM,M}} = \frac{\tilde{\beta}_{nXYi,bin}^{\text{SIM,M}} - \mu_{Xi,bin}^{\text{M}}}{\lambda_{Xi,bin}^{\text{M}}}. \quad (37)$$

The bins can be summed to find the vector result

$$\beta_{nXYi}^{\text{SIM,M}} = \left[ \sum_{\text{bin}=1}^{\text{maxbin}} \frac{\beta_{nXYi,bin}^{\text{SIM,M}}}{\sigma_{XYi,bin}^{\text{SIM,M}2}} \right] \left[ \sum_{\text{bin}=1}^{\text{maxbin}} \frac{1}{\sigma_{XYi,bin}^{\text{SIM,M}2}} \right]^{-1}, \quad (38)$$

so that  $\beta_{nXY}^{\text{SIM,M}} = \{\beta_{nXYx}^{\text{SIM,M}}, \beta_{nXYy}^{\text{SIM,M}}, \beta_{nXYz}^{\text{SIM,M}}\}$ . The value of the bias coefficients and maxbin depends on whether we are using the *TT* or *EE* correlations. Based on the expected uncertainties shown in Sec. VII, we note that there is little information in *TT* (*EE*) for  $\ell > 1800$  ( $\ell > 1150$ ), so we set these values as our maximum multipole in the estimators. We also use  $\ell_{\text{min}} = 200$  in both cases as there is very little information on the largest scales.

The estimated Cartesian components are the final results of the pipeline. It is also useful to quote results in Galactic spherical coordinates. This, however, introduces a third bias, as the best fit estimators for each component of a vector does not yield directly the best estimator of its amplitude. In this case we also renormalize the amplitude

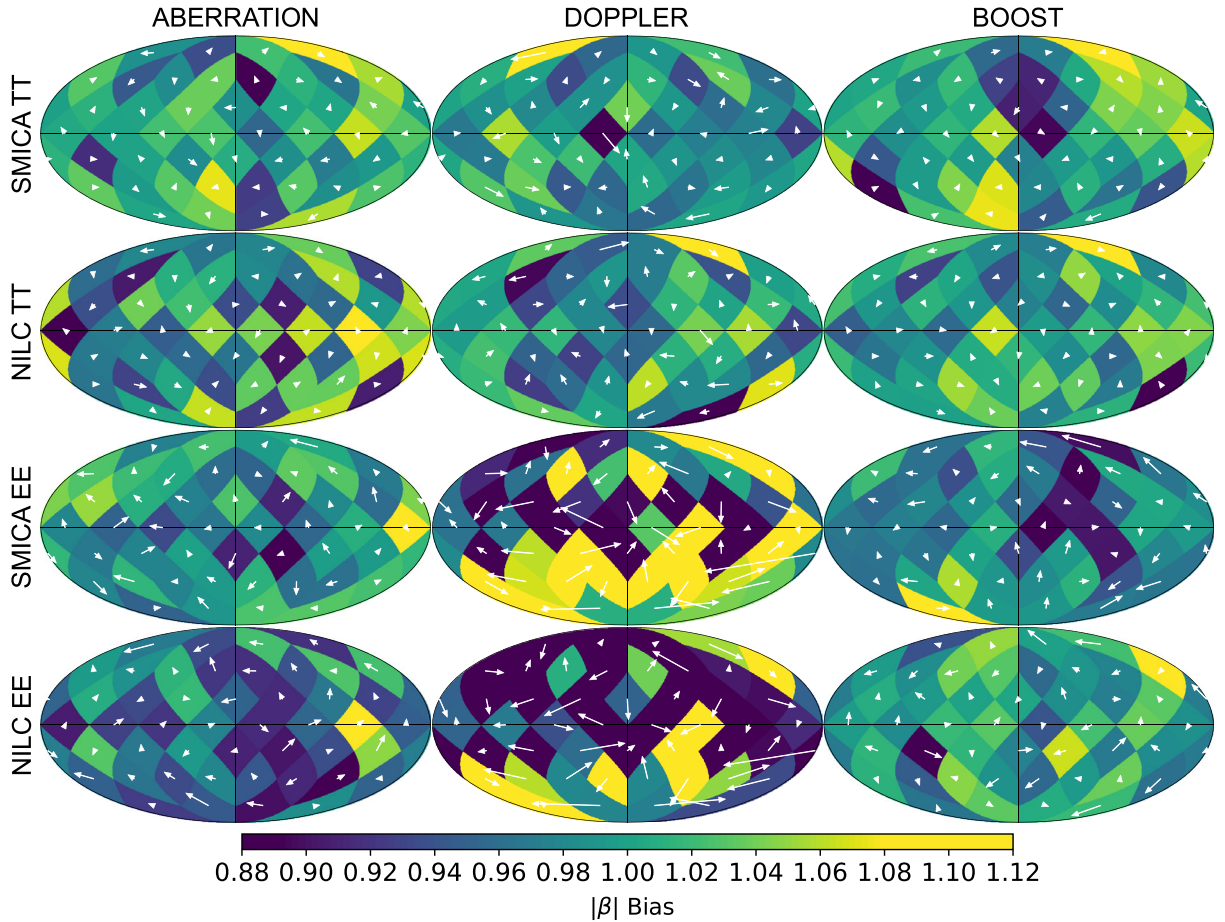


FIG. 5. Residual bias maps after bias removal for simulations with noise, mask and the DD effect, for the three estimators, component separation method and for *TT* and *EE* correlations. White arrows start on the simulated  $\beta$  directions and end on the recovered ones. Color indicates the  $|\beta|$  bias factor. Results in each of the 48 directions are the average over 64 simulations with  $\ell_{\text{max}} = 1800$  (1150) for *TT* (*EE*).

TABLE I. Statistical (Stat.) and systematic (Syst.) uncertainties in Galactic coordinates for each component separation method and each estimator for the main pipeline simulations. Since the uncertainty on  $l$  depends on  $b$  we present their average values.

$TT$	Estimator	$ \beta $ (km/s)		$l$ ( $^\circ$ )		$b$ ( $^\circ$ )	
		Stat.	Syst.	Stat.	Syst.	Stat.	Syst.
SMICA	Aberration	130	13	36	1	21	1
	Doppler	150	13	57	3	31	1
	Boost	100	11	23	0.1	15	0.2
NILC	Aberration	130	13	35	2	22	0.3
	Doppler	150	10	60	3	30	1
	Boost	100	11	22	1	15	0.1
$EE$	Estimator	Stat.	Syst.	Stat.	Syst.	Stat.	Syst.
SMICA	Aberration	160	17	66	0.1	28	1
	Doppler	340	380	103	6	34	1
	Boost	150	14	64	3	29	0.5
NILC	Aberration	150	15	65	0.3	29	1
	Doppler	330	350	100	5	35	1
	Boost	150	15	61	1	29	0.2
$TT + EE$	Estimator	Stat.	Syst.	Stat.	Syst.	Stat.	Syst.
SMICA	Aberration	99	13	32	0.1	19	0.7
	Doppler	140	13	56	3	28	0.5
	Boost	84	9	21	0.1	14	0.2
NILC	Aberration	100	10	32	0.3	20	0.3
	Doppler	140	10	56	2	28	0.2
	Boost	83	9	22	1	15	0.1

of the vectors dividing by a factor  $\nu_{X_i, \text{bin}}^M$ , the ‘‘amplitude renormalization.’’ This ensures that, after correlation removal,  $\langle |\beta_{XY}^{\text{SIM}, M}| \rangle = |\beta_{XY}^{\text{FID}}|$ . This correction is a general property of recovering the amplitude of vectors from their components, and  $\nu_{X_i, \text{bin}}^M$  is always larger than 1. Therefore, the uncertainties in the amplitude are smaller than the average error in the components.

In Fig. 5 the residual bias maps are shown. These maps represent the difference between fiducial and recovered results by all estimators, after bias and correlation removal, on simulations for signals applied in different directions. Each arrow starts in the expected direction of the simulated signal and ends in the recovered direction of  $\beta$ , using the average of unbiased results of 64 simulations. The color indicates the  $|\beta|$  bias factor. This figure indicates that in most cases the systematics are negligible when compared with the statistical uncertainties. The only exceptions are the Doppler  $EE$  measurement, which have significant residual biases in amplitude (but not in direction) in both SMICA and NILC. However, Doppler  $EE$  has low expected  $S/N$  and this therefore does not affect significantly the final Doppler  $TT + EE$  results in our companion article [26]. Table I reports the comparison of statistical and systematic uncertainties in all cases for the absolute values and directions.

## VI. REMOVING THE LEAKAGE BETWEEN ABERRATION AND DOPPLER

Since both aberration and Doppler introduce  $\ell, \ell + 1$  correlations in harmonic space, their estimators have an inherent correlation. To remove this correlation we define two coefficients of signal leakage, dubbed  $R_i$  (Doppler to aberration) and  $S_i$  (aberration to Doppler), for each Cartesian component  $i$ . We start by assuming that the correlated results  $\beta_{X,i}^{[c]}$  are related to the uncorrelated estimators as

$$\beta_{A,i} \equiv \beta_{A,i}^{[c]} - R_i \beta_{D,i}, \quad (39)$$

$$\beta_{D,i} \equiv \beta_{D,i}^{[c]} - S_i \beta_{A,i}. \quad (40)$$

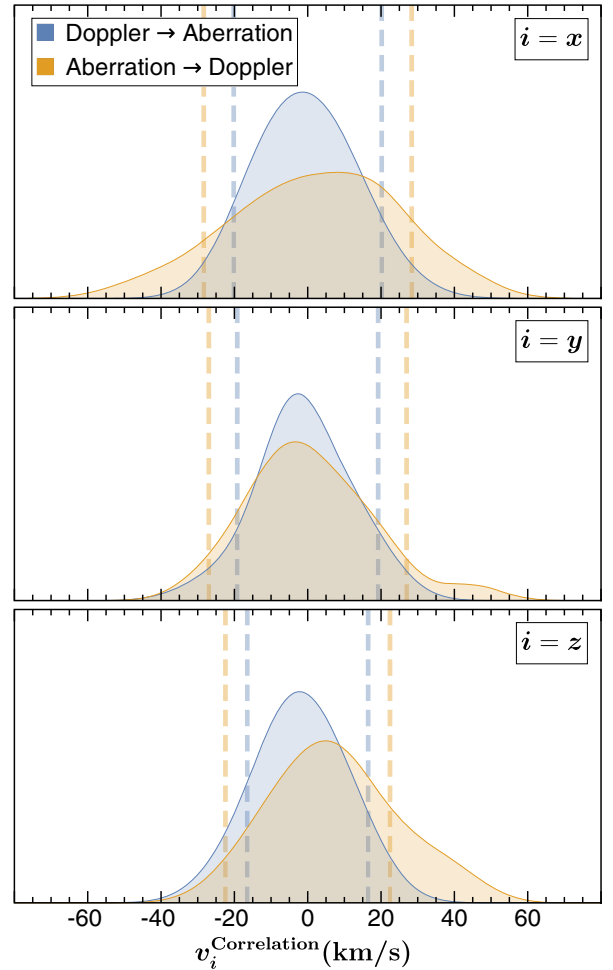


FIG. 6. Average residual leakage between the  $TT + EE$  estimators for each Cartesian component. Doppler  $\rightarrow$  aberration represents the aberration estimator results for a simulated Doppler modulation of  $v_D = 370$  km/s without any aberration and vice versa. Dashed lines mark the ideal  $1\sigma$  (standard error) statistical intervals. We conclude that residual leakages are small and can be neglected.

To fit  $S_i$  we minimize the following  $\chi^2$ :

$$\chi_S^2 = \sum_n \left( \frac{\beta_{nADi}^{[c]} - \beta_{nAAi}^{\text{FID}} S_i}{\sigma_{Di}} \right)^2 + \sum_n \left( \frac{\beta_{nBDi}^{[c]} - \beta_{nBBi}^{\text{FID}} (S_i + 1)}{\sigma_{Di}} \right)^2, \quad (41)$$

where  $n$  is the simulation ID, the second and third subindices are the simulation signal and estimator used and  $\sigma_{Xi}$  the standard deviation of the estimator. The first sum makes use only of simulations where the expected result is null if there is no correlation ( $S_i = 0$ ). On the second sum, which is for the boost case, the Doppler estimation should recover the correct velocity, and hence the factor ( $S_i + 1$ ). Equivalently for  $R_i$  we have

$$\chi_R^2 = \sum_n \left( \frac{\beta_{nDAi}^{[c]} - \beta_{nDDi}^{\text{FID}} R_i}{\sigma_{Ai}} \right)^2 + \sum_n \left( \frac{\beta_{nBAi}^{[c]} - \beta_{nBBi}^{\text{FID}} (R_i + 1)}{\sigma_{Ai}} \right)^2. \quad (42)$$

Using (39) and (40) we then get the approximation

$$\beta_{A,i} \simeq \frac{\beta_{A,i}^{[c]} - R_i \beta_{D,i}^{[c]}}{1 - R_i S_i}, \quad \beta_{D,i} \simeq \frac{\beta_{D,i}^{[c]} - S_i \beta_{A,i}^{[c]}}{1 - S_i R_i}. \quad (43)$$

The effectiveness of this method can be seen comparing the  $\beta_{A,i}$  and  $\beta_{D,i}$  obtained using this method with the ideal (simulated) case, which we depict in Fig. 6. As can be seen the residual leakages are small and can be neglected, and our approach is sufficient for the precision we can achieve. This is done separately for  $TT$  and  $EE$  measurements.

## VII. FORECAST UNCERTAINTIES WITH PLANCK AND FUTURE CMB EXPERIMENTS

We start by comparing the expected theoretical uncertainties in each estimator with the simulated uncertainties for the  $TT$ ,  $TE + ET$  and  $EE$  cases for the case of Planck. These estimates follow the approach in [10], but are generalized to separate the Doppler, aberration and boost cases. In Fig. 7 we depict both the ideal errors without noise and mask, and the Planck 2018 statistical errors using the symmetric masks ( $f_{\text{sky}} = 0.73$ ) for temperature and polarization,  $N_\ell$  based on the dx12 SMICA Planck simulations and the realistic effective beam. As the mask affects each direction differently, we show the average of the Cartesian components estimators as a function of  $\ell_{\text{max}}$ .

As can be seen, the  $EE$  correlations in Planck can provide a measurement of aberration or boost at around

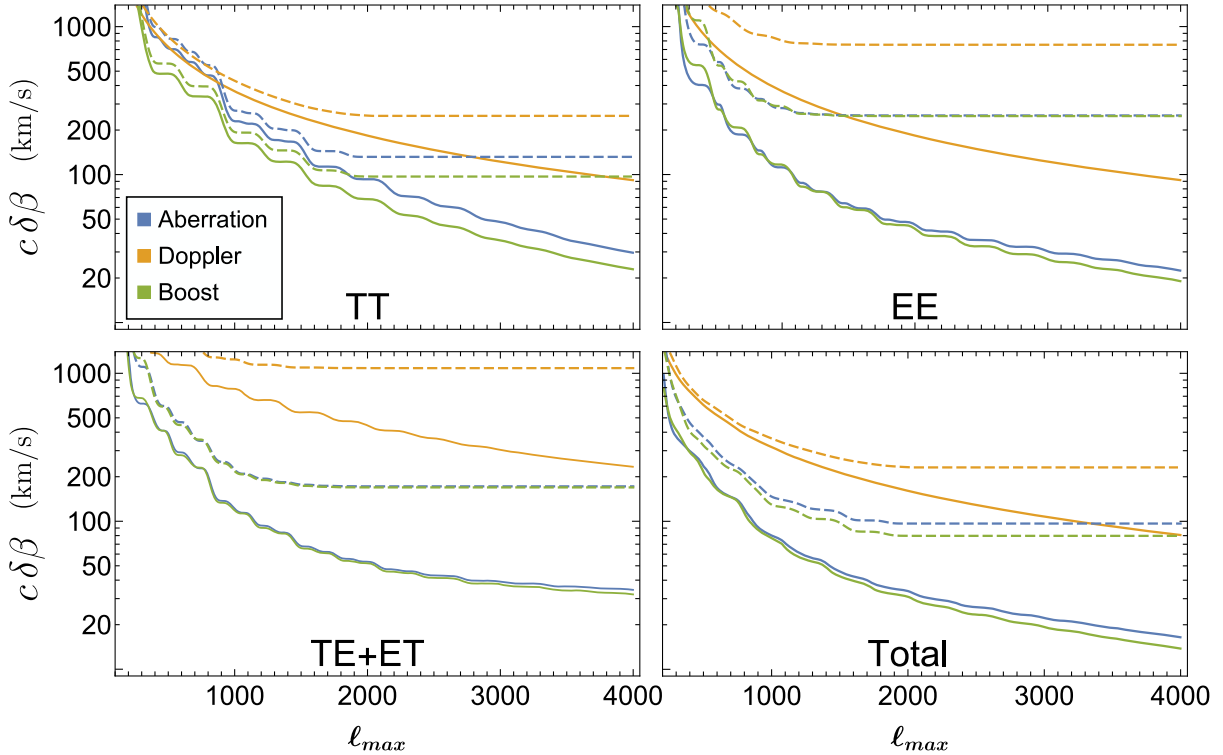


FIG. 7. Expected uncertainties in each estimator as a function of  $\ell_{\text{max}}$  for Planck (2018). Dashed lines represents the Planck  $1\sigma$  errors, solid lines the ideal theoretical calculations without noise and mask.

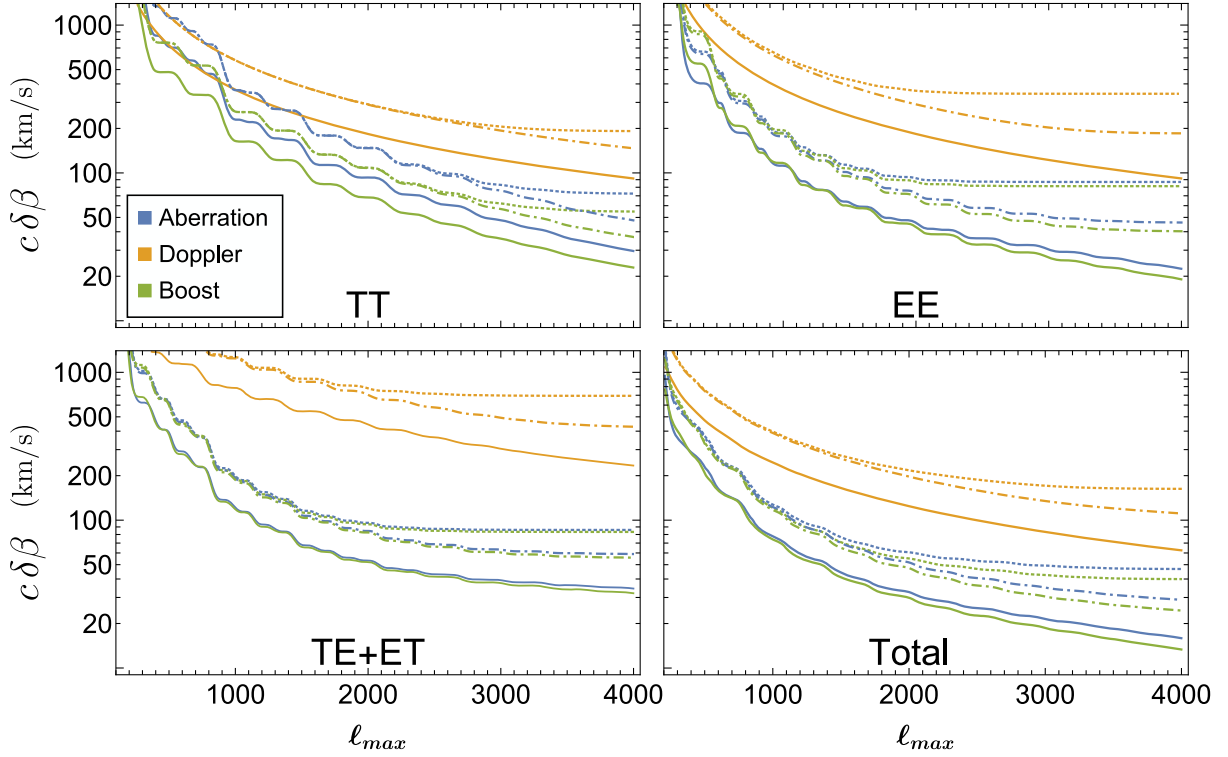


FIG. 8. Same as Fig. 7 for the Simons Observatory and CMB-S4 forecasts. We assume  $f_{\text{sky}} = 0.4$ . Dotted lines represent the  $1\sigma$  errors for Simons Observatory, dot-dashed lines CMB-S4 and solid lines the ideal case without noise or mask.

$1.5\sigma$ , while for Doppler the errors are much larger. This is due to the low SNR in the  $a_{\ell_m}^E$ ; with less noise the  $EE$  could provide a similar precision to  $TT$ —see [11,40]. Note also that for  $EE$  (and with less significance also for  $TE$ ) a partial cancellation between Doppler and aberration makes the boost estimator less precise than the pure aberration one for some ranges of  $\ell_{\text{max}}$ . This is explained in detail in the Appendix where we explore the uncertainties in each estimator as a function of  $\ell$ . The actual measured uncertainties in the real data, which include systematic effects and the leakage between the Doppler and aberration signals, is similar (see below), and the results using Planck 2018 data are discussed in detail in the companion article [26].

As discussed in Sec. V, an unbiased estimate of the vector amplitude  $|\mathbf{v}|$  requires an amplitude normalization factor  $\nu_X^M$ . For Planck, this factor ranges from around 1.0 to around 1.8, depending on the estimator ( $\beta^A$ ,  $\beta^D$  and  $\beta^B$ ),  $\ell_{\text{max}}$ , component separation method (SMICA or NILC) and whether we are using  $TT$  or  $EE$  correlations.

As can be seen from Fig. 7, for Planck adding  $EE$  may improve slightly the  $TT$  precision. The  $TE$  and  $ET$  cross-correlations could also be used to provide extra precision to aberration. The analysis is, however, more involved for them for three reasons: (i) the DD effect is not straightforward; (ii) our simple scheme to remove leakages between signals cannot be used as is; and (iii) our estimators would

become correlated [see [10]]. These difficulties are ignored in Fig. 7. Since the expected improvement in precision would be small, especially on Doppler which has the largest uncertainty in [26] we used only  $TT + EE$  in our real data analysis.

We also provide forecasts for two upcoming ground-based CMB experiments: the Simons Observatory and the CMB-S4. For the Simons Observatory we use the specifications of the optimistic case available in [24]. For the CMB-S4 we use the precision goal of the experiment discussed in [25], which assumes  $\sigma_T = 1 \mu\text{K arcmin}$  and a beam of  $1'$  full width at half maximum. For both experiments we consider  $f_{\text{sky}} = 0.4$ . For CMB-S4 we assume for simplicity  $\ell_{\text{max}} = 4000$ , which yields similar results to the assumption in [25] that for  $T$  ( $E$ ) foregrounds can be suppressed until  $\ell_{\text{max}} = 3000$  (5000). These forecasts assume that, similar to Planck, all biases from masking and from the correlation between aberration and Doppler signals can be suppressed to an amount negligible compared to the statistical errors. They also treat the effects of masking and beaming in a simpler way, to wit, following Eqs. (21) and (22) of [11].

Figure 8 depicts these forecasts for  $TT$ ,  $TE + ET$ ,  $EE$ , and the combination of all signals as a function of  $\ell_{\text{max}}$ . Table II contains the final numbers including all multipoles. As can be seen, the precision in Doppler will remain much smaller than the one in aberration, and the difference between both will become even larger. Not even CMB-

TABLE II. Forecast final statistical error for future experiments in a given Cartesian component. Since the mask affects each component differently, this is the expected average uncertainty in all three components. These estimates do not include possible residual signal leakage between Doppler and aberration. The uncertainty in  $|\mathbf{v}|$  will be smaller (see Sec. V). With our proposed pipeline we find  $\simeq 20\%$  larger uncertainties after bias and signal leakage removal.

$\delta\beta$ (km/s)	$TT + TE + ET + EE$		
	Aberration	Doppler	Boost
Planck 2018	97	230	80
Simons Observatory	47	163	40
CMB-S4	29	111	25
Ideal ( $\ell_{\max} = 2000$ )	33	124	30
Ideal ( $\ell_{\max} = 3000$ )	22	83	19
Ideal ( $\ell_{\max} = 4000$ )	16	63	13

S4 should measure Doppler with a  $4\sigma$  confidence level in the standard scenario in which the intrinsic dipole is negligible.

## VIII. DISCUSSION

We propose here two pipelines to estimate Doppler and aberration from CMB data. They make use of an idealist estimator as a baseline and many simulations which include realistic noise simulations and masks to remove the biases they introduce. We have also shown how the dipole distortions, which produce a spurious Doppler signal which is degenerate with the dipole, can be removed by carefully estimating the contribution of each frequency in the each of the CMB maps. Both pipelines here were shown to be able to provide measurements of Doppler and aberration which are approximately independent among themselves and with the temperature dipole. The main pipeline is able to measure both signals in an unbiased way (i.e., with minimal systematic effects) with a precision very similar to the theoretical expectations: we find a 15%–25% larger uncertainty depending on the estimator and signal type after bias and signal leakage removal. The proposed cross-check pipeline is able to produce very similar results and therefore be used to provide more robustness to the measurements.

As discussed in Sec. IV, using the nonsymmetric mask the uncertainties are expected to reduce by  $\sim 2\%$ , but the behavior of the bias becomes much more dependent on the direction of the aberration and Doppler signal. To solve this, one should use more simulations including more directions and possibly an iterative bias removal solution, to obtain the same systematic errors, instead of fit a bias independent of direction as done here. We estimate that to get good results the computational cost will become at least 4 times higher. Since the symmetric mask removes by construction any dipolar asymmetry on signal that could possibly bias the results, it improves robustness. We thus

consider the symmetric mask the preferred solution for Planck. But for future ground-based experiments which cover less than half of the sky one cannot symmetrize the mask, and our bias removal pipeline will require more simulations. Apart from a higher computational cost, we expect that our proposed pipeline should also work for them with only minor modifications.

The independent measurements of aberration and Doppler opens up a new window into the early Universe. They are measured with a joint significance of over  $4\sigma$  in Planck 2018 and, when combined with the dipole, provide the first constraints in the CMB intrinsic dipole, as discussed in our companion article [26]. The upcoming ground-based experiments will reach smaller scales than Planck, and in particular CMB-S4 will probe the CMB at  $\ell > 3000$ , improving the precision in both estimators. But the Doppler couplings will remain harder to measure than the aberration couplings. In fact, the improvements in Doppler by going all the way to  $\ell_{\max} = 4000$  will be only roughly a factor of 2, whereas aberration, which is already more precisely measured, should improve by a factor of 3. Finally, since our estimators are based on the first-order Taylor expansion of the Doppler and aberration kernels, all information is assumed to be contained in the  $\ell, \ell + 1$  correlations. For  $\ell < 3000$  this assumption was shown to be a good approximation in [11]. For smaller scales this will need to be investigated in more detail.

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## APPENDIX: EXPECTED UNCERTAINTIES IN EACH MULTIPOLE FOR ABERRATION AND DOPPLER

In order to better understand the uncertainties in both Doppler and aberration estimators in each multipole we follow a similar reasoning to the one included in [40]. The idea is to compute the signal-to-noise ratio in each  $\ell$  by first noting that, as shown in [10,11], the fractional uncertainty in the estimator of  $\langle a_{\ell m}^X a_{(\ell+1)m}^{Y*} \rangle$  is given by

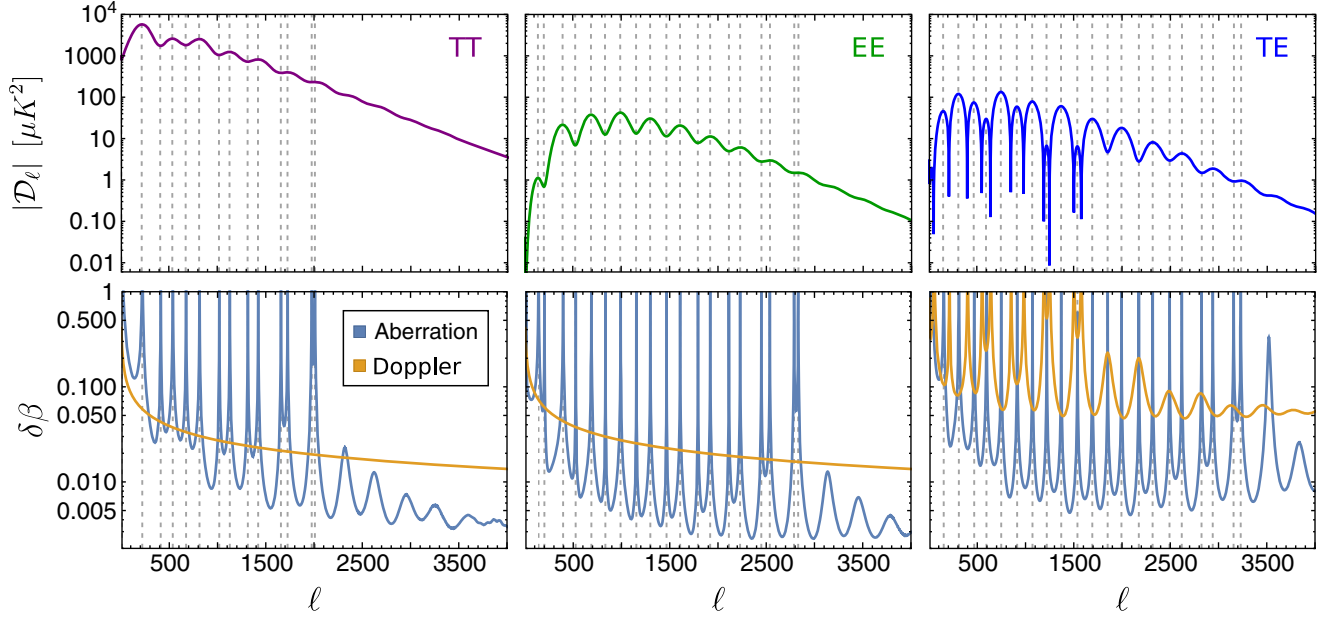


FIG. 9. Angular power spectra (top) and estimated uncertainties (bottom) for aberration and Doppler in the ideal case for the  $TT$ ,  $EE$ , and  $TE$  two-point correlations. Vertical dashed lines indicate the extrema of  $\mathcal{D}_\ell$ , in which the aberration effect produces no signal. The Doppler uncertainties are approximately independent of the shape of the spectrum for  $TT$  and  $EE$  and are proportional to  $(2\ell + 1)^{-1/2}$ .

$$\frac{\delta\beta}{\beta}\Big|_{XY} \simeq \left[ \sum_{\ell} \sum_{m=-\ell}^{\ell} \frac{\langle a_{\ell m}^X a_{(\ell+1)m}^{Y*} \rangle^2}{\mathfrak{C}_{\ell}^{XX} \mathfrak{C}_{\ell+1}^{YY}} \right]^{-1/2}. \quad (\text{A1})$$

The expected value above involves a sum over all  $\ell$ 's and  $m$ 's. Since  $m$  enters only through the coefficients in Eq. (4) we can make simplify things considerably by first performing an average on  $m$  on the coefficients

$$\sum_m [G_{\ell m}]^2 \simeq 0.408^2 (2\ell + 1). \quad (\text{A2})$$

If we replace  $C_{\ell+1} \rightarrow C_{\ell} + dC_{\ell}/d\ell$ , and use Eqs. (5) and (6), we get the following approximation for the aberration and Doppler signal squared in each multipole  $\ell$ :

$$\sum_m \langle a_{\ell m}^X a_{(\ell+1)m}^{Y*} \rangle^2 = 0.408^2 (2\ell + 1) \beta^2 \left[ (2a - 2d) C_{\ell}^{XY} + (a\ell + d) \frac{dC_{\ell}^{XY}}{d\ell} \right]^2, \quad (\text{A3})$$

where  $a$  and  $d$  are Boolean variables such that  $a = 1$  ( $d = 1$ ) when including aberration (Doppler), and zero otherwise. This can be simplified using the approximation that  $dC_{\ell}/d\ell \ll C_{\ell}$  and by noting that

$$\frac{d \ln \mathcal{D}_{\ell}^{XY}}{d \ln \ell} = \frac{d \ln C_{\ell}^{XY}}{d \ln \ell} + \frac{2\ell + 1}{\ell + 1} \simeq \frac{d \ln C_{\ell}^{XY}}{d \ln \ell} + 2. \quad (\text{A4})$$

In the last passage we just assumed  $\ell \gg 1$ . We thus arrive at

$$\sum_m \langle a_{\ell m}^X a_{(\ell+1)m}^{Y*} \rangle^2 = 0.408^2 (2\ell + 1) \beta^2 \times (C_{\ell}^{XY})^2 \left[ -2d + a \frac{d \ln \mathcal{D}_{\ell}^{XY}}{d \ln \ell} \right]^2. \quad (\text{A5})$$

This result means that the aberration signal is proportional to the logarithm derivative of  $\mathcal{D}_{\ell}$ , which means for instance that at the extrema of  $\mathcal{D}_{\ell}$  there is no aberration signal. In the particular case in which  $X = Y$  (i.e., for  $TT$  and  $EE$ , but not for  $TE$ ) and in the ideal case where  $\mathfrak{C}_{\ell}^{XX} = C_{\ell}^{XX}$  the  $C_{\ell}^{XX}$  term in front of the brackets cancels and we arrive at the following uncertainties in  $\beta^{A,D}$  in any given multipole  $\ell$ :

$$\delta\beta^A(\ell)|_{XX} \simeq 2.451 [2\ell + 1]^{-1/2} \left( \frac{d \ln \mathcal{D}_{\ell}^{XX}}{d \ln \ell} \right)^{-1}, \quad (\text{A6})$$

$$\delta\beta^D(\ell)|_{XX} \simeq 1.225 [2\ell + 1]^{-1/2}. \quad (\text{A7})$$

Interestingly, this means that for  $X = Y$  the Doppler signal is *independent* of the shape of the angular power spectrum. Figure 9 illustrates that this simple behavior of both uncertainties is indeed found in the full estimator (without averaging over  $m$ ) in the ideal, noiseless case.

Another curious conclusion from Eq. (A5) is that for a traditional Boost estimator, in which  $a = d = 1$ , there is a partial cancellation of the total signal whenever  $d \ln \mathcal{D}_\ell^{XY} / d \ln \ell$  is positive. This means that in some multipole ranges the boost estimator is less precise than the

aberration estimator alone, even though aberration is just part of the effect. In practice, this partial cancellation is more important in the  $EE$  case, as depicted in Fig. 7, where for  $\ell_{\max} < 1000$  the Boost estimator exhibits less precision than the aberration one.

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