

Title: Cosmology Observations 2

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Abstract:

Part 3: forecasting and the Fisher matrix

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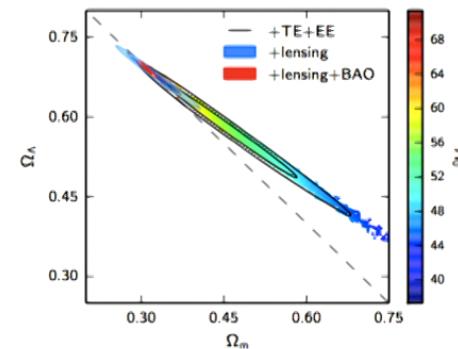
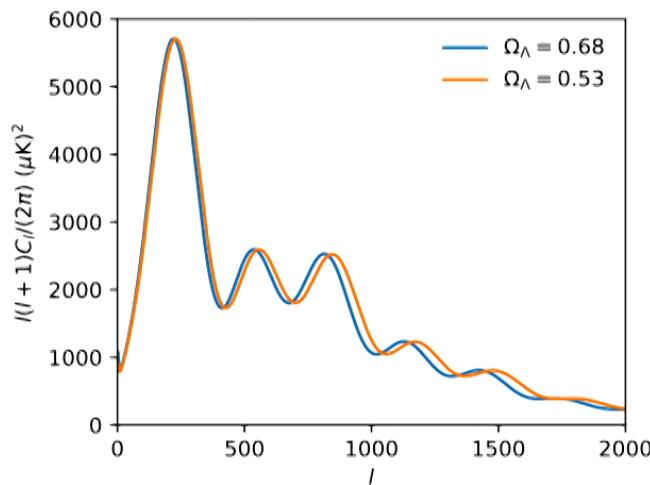
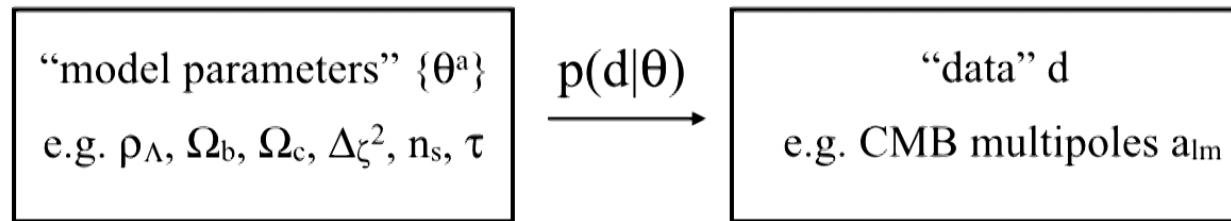


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Abstract setup:



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$p(d|\theta)$ = conditional probability distribution of data d ,
given model parameters θ

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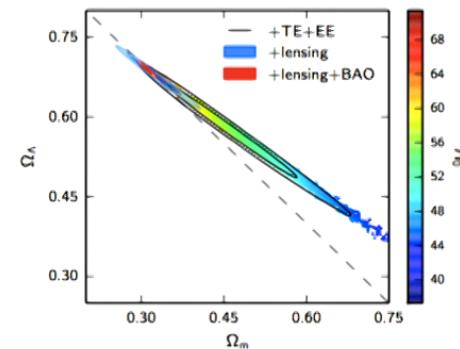
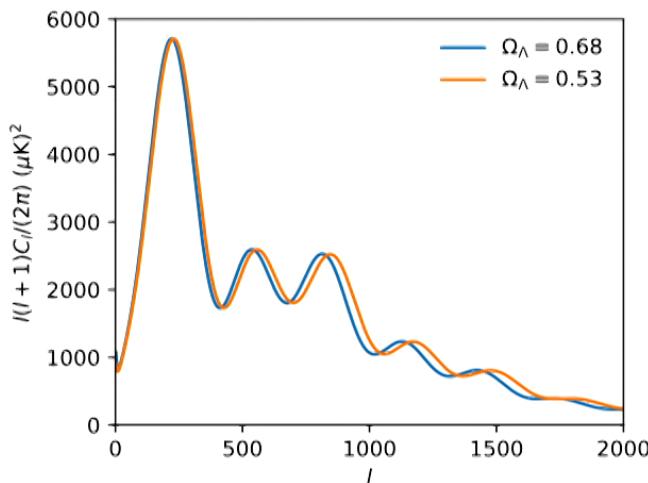
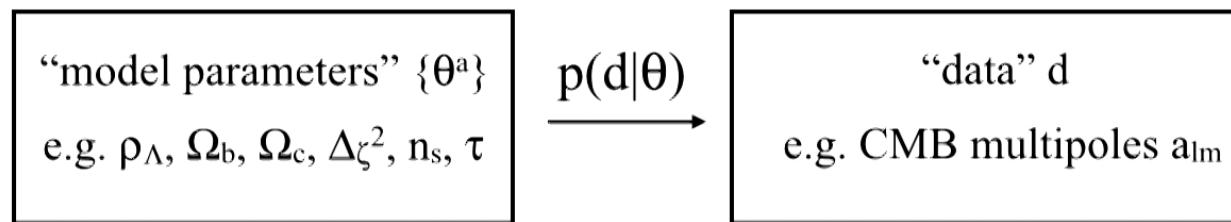


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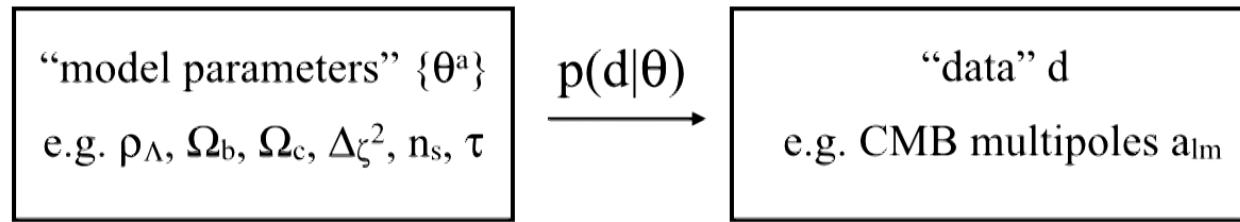
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We might be interested in:

1. **Simulation.** Given a model θ^a , how do we simulate a random data realization d ? (i.e. sample the conditional PDF $p(d|\theta)$)
2. **Analysis.** Given a data realization d , what are the constraints (say at 95% CL) on the model space θ^a ?
3. **Forecasting.** Given a rough fiducial guess θ_{fid} for the true model, what constraints on the model space do we expect to obtain, for a “typical” realization of the data?

The Fisher matrix is a tool for forecasting (#3).

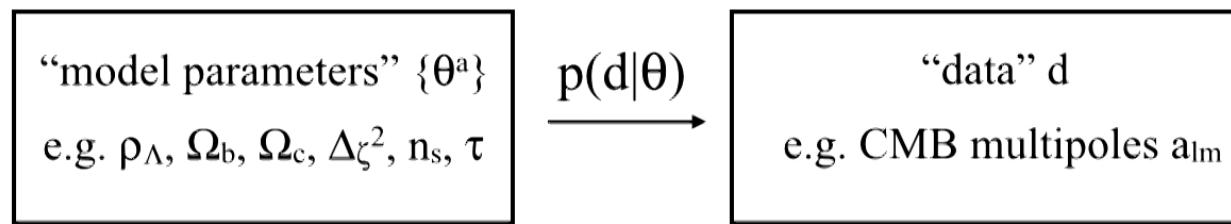


General definition of the Fisher matrix (to be motivated later!)

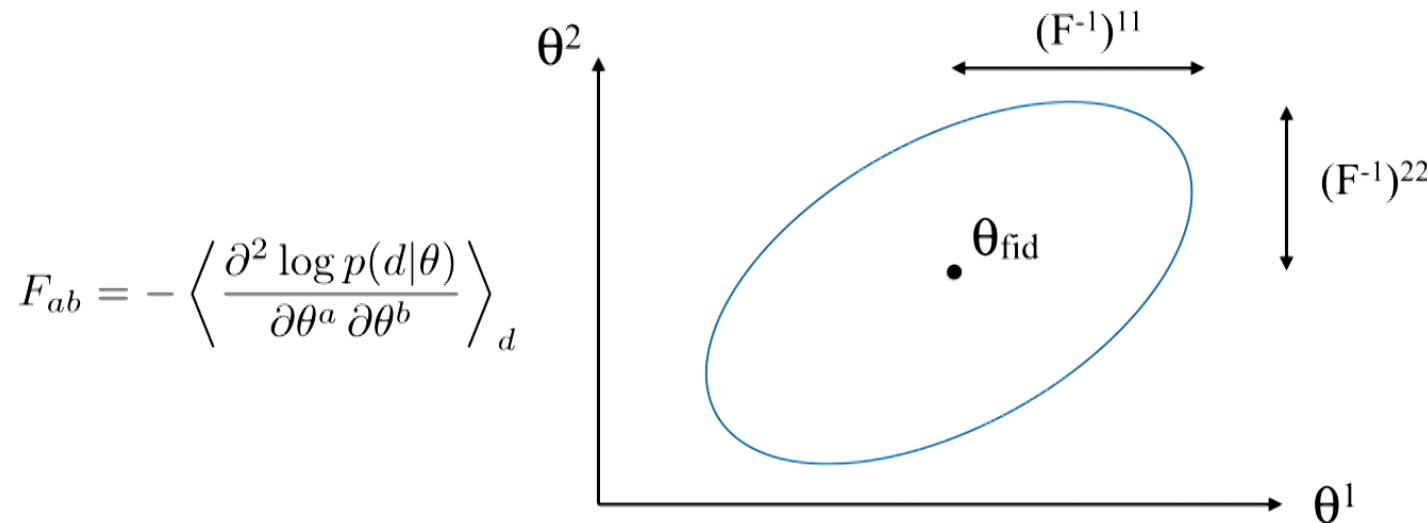
$$F_{ab} = - \left\langle \frac{\partial^2 \log p(d|\theta)}{\partial \theta^a \partial \theta^b} \right\rangle_d$$

where the expectation value is taken over random realizations of the data d , for a preferred fiducial choice of model parameters θ_{fid}

The Fisher matrix depends on the fiducial model θ_{fid} , but does not require a preferred realization of the data d (just the probability distribution $p(d|\theta)$).



Interpretation: the Fisher matrix F_{ab} is the forecasted *inverse* covariance matrix of the model constraints obtained from a “typical” realization of the data.

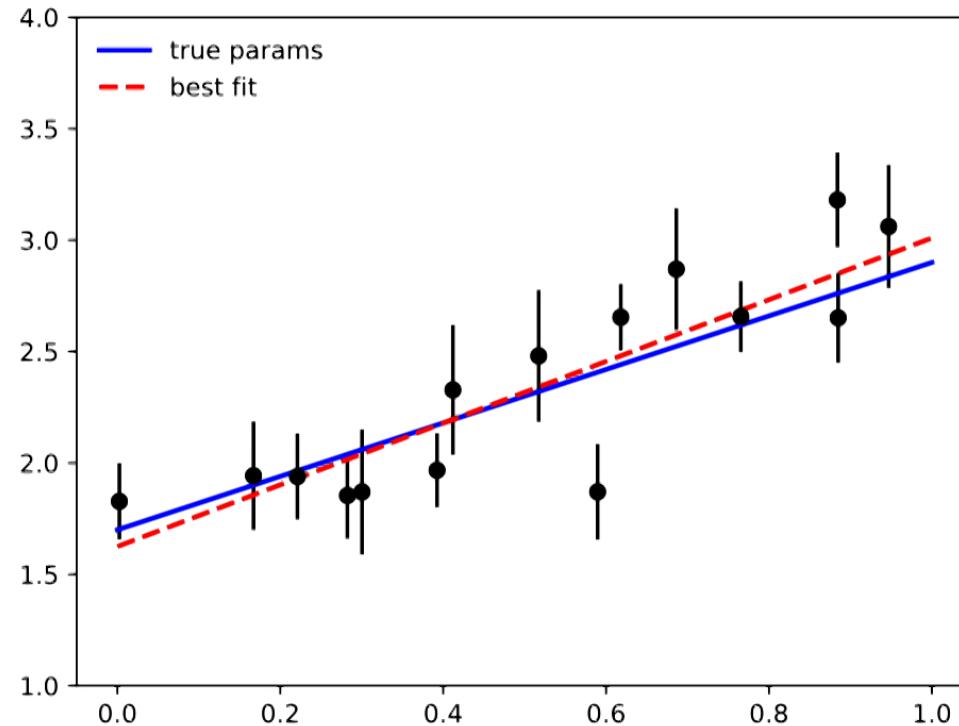


$$C = F^{-1}$$

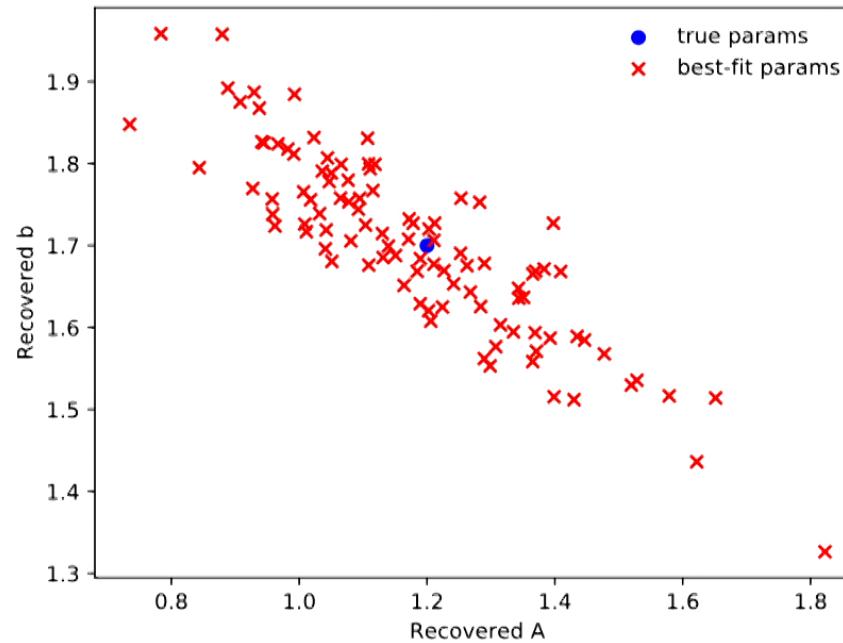
$$\sqrt{C_{11}} = \sqrt{(F^{-1})_{11}}$$
$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{F_{11}}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(C^{-1})_{11}}}$$

Toy example: linear regression

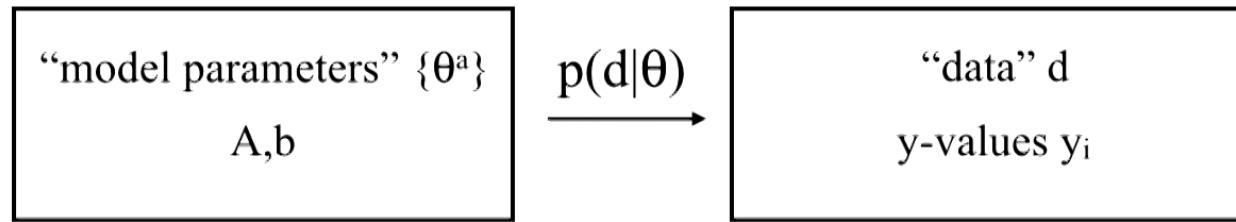
Fitting a line $y = Ax + b$ through points (x_i, y_i) with error bars σ_i .



The following scatterplot shows the result of repeating the linear regression 100 times. (Detail: the y-values were randomized, but x_i and σ_i were held fixed throughout.)



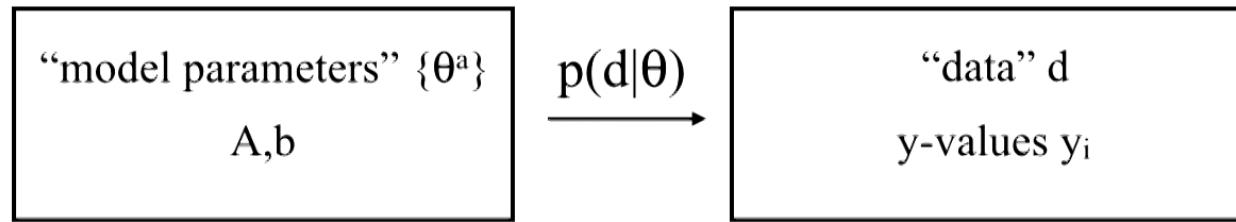
Let's compute the Fisher matrix for the model parameters $(\theta^1, \theta^2) = (A, b)$, and compare with this plot.



First we need to write down the conditional likelihood $p(d|\theta)$. Given $(\theta^1, \theta^2) = (A, b)$, the PDF of an *individual* data value y_i is a Gaussian with mean $(Ax_i + b)$ and variance σ_i^2 :

$$\begin{aligned} p(y_i|\theta) &= \frac{1}{(2\pi\sigma_i^2)^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(y_i - Ax_i - b)^2}{2\sigma_i^2}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi\sigma_i^2)^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(y_i - \theta^a f_a(x_i))^2}{2\sigma_i^2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

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The conditional likelihood $p(d|\theta)$ is obtained by multiplying the PDF's for each individual data value y_i .

$$p(d|\theta) = \prod_i \frac{1}{(2\pi\sigma_i^2)^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(y_i - \theta^a f_a(x_i))^2}{2\sigma_i^2}\right)$$

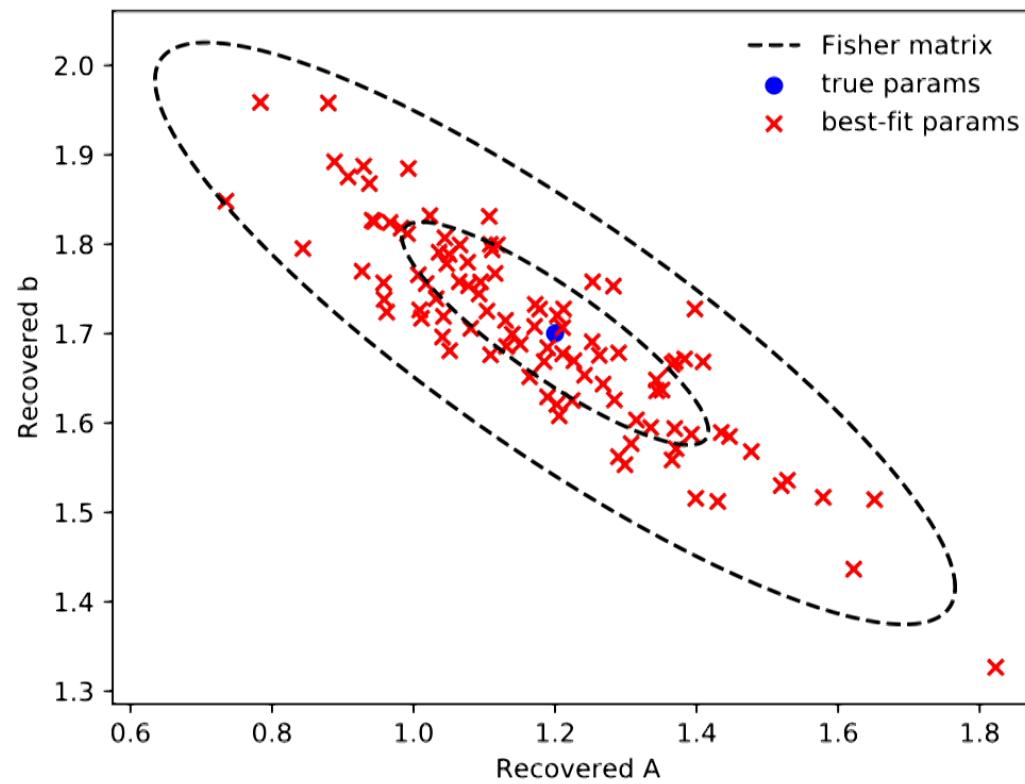
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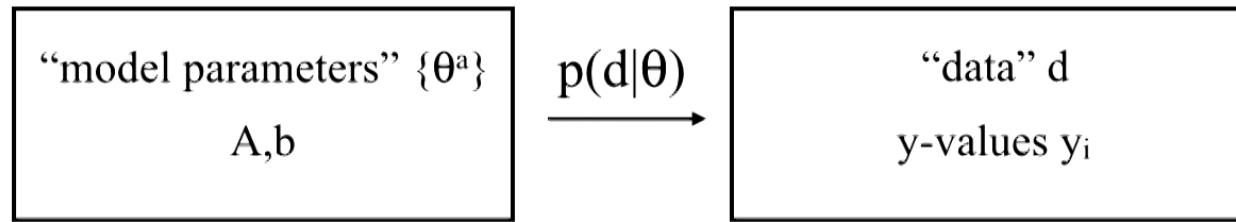
Now we can compute the Fisher matrix $F_{ab} = - \left\langle \frac{\partial^2 \log p(d|\theta)}{\partial \theta^a \partial \theta^b} \right\rangle_d$

$$\begin{aligned}
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\Rightarrow F_{ab} &= -\left\langle \frac{\partial^2 \log p(d|\theta)}{\partial \theta^a \partial \theta^b} \right\rangle_d \\
&= -\left\langle \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^a \partial \theta^b} \sum_i \left(-\frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma_i^2) - \frac{1}{2\sigma_i^2} (y_i - \theta^c f_c(x_i))^2 \right) \right\rangle_y \\
&= -\left\langle \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^a \partial \theta^b} \sum_i \left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma_i^2} (\theta^c f_c(x_i))(\theta^d f_d(x_i)) \right) \right\rangle_y \\
&= \left\langle \sum_i \left(\frac{f_a(x_i) f_b(x_i)}{\sigma_i^2} \right) \right\rangle_y \\
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\end{aligned}$$

In this example, the expectation value $\langle \rangle_y$ is trivial, and the Fisher matrix does not depend on a choice of fiducial model $\Theta_{\text{fid}} = (A_{\text{fid}}, b_{\text{fid}})$.

Comparison between Fisher matrix and Monte Carlo scatterplot.



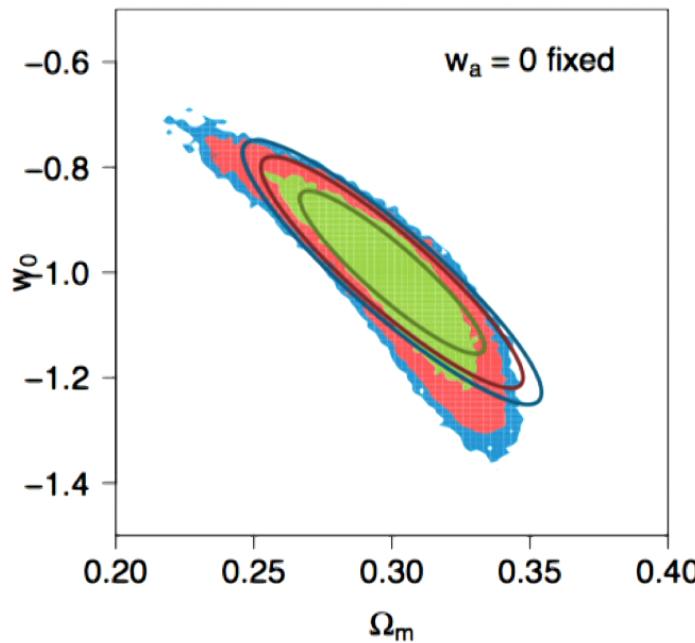


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A cosmological example. In general, the Fisher matrix is not expected to agree precisely with the Monte Carlo scatterplot. In particular, the contours of the scatterplot need not be ellipses. However, the Fisher matrix is usually easy to compute, and is usually a good approximation.



Example: supernova (not CMB) Fisher matrix from Wolz et al 1205.3984

$$a_{\ell m} \hat{a}_{\ell m'}^\dagger = \text{Geometric sum}$$

FORGOT LAST TIME: $\chi_{\ell, -m} = (-1)^m \chi_{\ell m}(0)^*$

$$a_{\ell, -m} = (-1)^m a_{\ell m}^*$$

(2l+1) REAL COEFFICIENTS FOR EACH ℓ :

$$\left\{ a_{\ell 0}, \operatorname{Re}(a_{\ell 1}), \operatorname{Im}(a_{\ell 1}), \dots, \operatorname{Re}(a_{\ell, l}), \operatorname{Im}(a_{\ell, l}) \right\}$$

WITH $(2\ell+1) \times (2\ell+1)$ COVARIANCE MATRIX

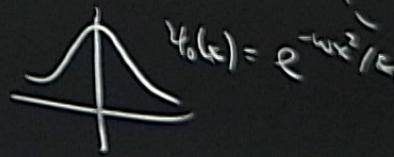
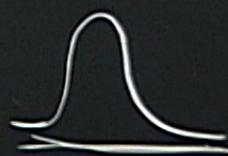
$$\begin{pmatrix} C_\ell & & & & \\ & C_\ell/2 & & & \\ & & C_\ell/2 & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & 0 & & & C_\ell/2 \end{pmatrix}$$

GAUSSIAN RANDOM FIELD!

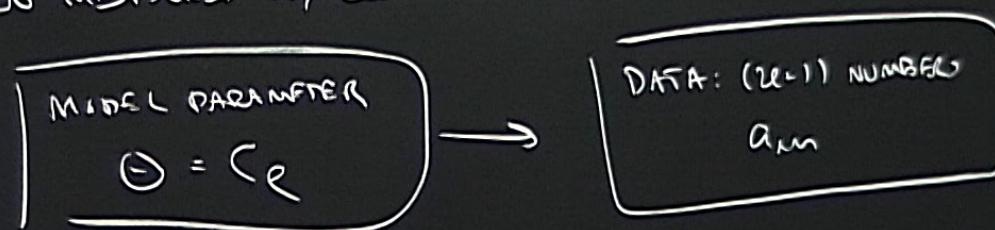
$$\langle a_{\ell m} a_{\ell n}^* \rangle = C_\ell$$

$$\langle a_{\ell 0}^2 \rangle = C_\ell$$

$$\langle \text{Re}(a_{\ell 0})^2 + \text{Im}(a_{\ell 0})^2 \rangle = C_\ell$$



QUESTION: HOW WELL CAN C_e BE MEASURED, IF ALL a_m 'S
HAVE BEEN MEASURED W/ ZERO NOISE?



$$\begin{aligned}
 P(a_{em} | C_e) &= \underbrace{\frac{1}{(2\pi C_e)^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{|a_{em}|^2}{2C_e}\right)}_{m=0} \prod_{m=1}^l \underbrace{\frac{1}{(\pi C_e)^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(Re a_m)^2}{C_e}\right)}_{Re(a_m)} \underbrace{\frac{1}{(\pi C_e)^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(Im a_m)^2}{C_e}\right)}_{Im(a_m)} \\
 &= (\text{const.}) \frac{1}{C_e^{(2e+1)/2}} \prod_{m=-l}^l \exp\left(-\frac{|a_{em}|^2}{2C_e}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$

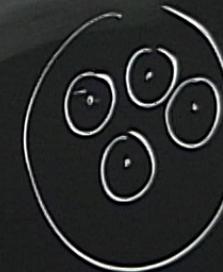
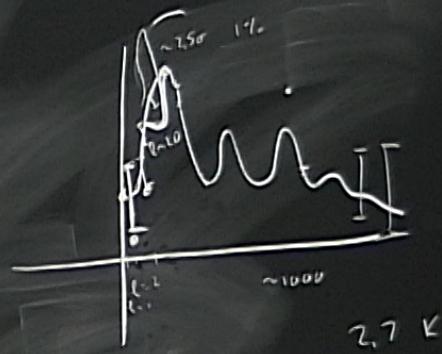
J-B4-1 FISHER "MATRIX"

$$\begin{aligned}F &= - \left\langle \frac{\partial^2 \log P(a_m | C_e)}{\partial C_e \partial C_e} \right\rangle_{a_{em}} \\&= - \left\langle \frac{\partial^2}{\partial C_e \partial C_e} \left(-\frac{2e+1}{2} \log C_e - \sum_{m=-e}^e \frac{|a_{em}|^2}{2C_e} \right) \right\rangle_{a_{em}} \\&= - \left\langle \frac{2e+1}{2} \frac{1}{C_e^2} - \sum_{m=-e}^e \frac{|a_{em}|^2}{C_e^3} \right\rangle_{a_{em}} \\&= - \left[\frac{2e+1}{2} \frac{1}{C_e^2} - (2e+1) \frac{1}{C_e^2} \right] \\&= \frac{2e+1}{2} \frac{1}{C_e^2}\end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta C_\ell = \sqrt{\text{VAR}(C_\ell)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{F}}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{2}{2\ell+1}} C_\ell$$

"COSMIC VARIANCE"



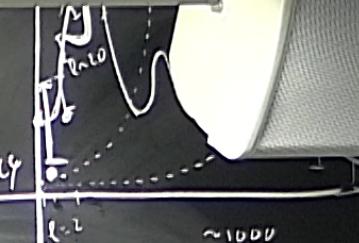
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$$\rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{2}{f_{sky}(2\ell+1)}} (C_\ell, N_\ell)$$

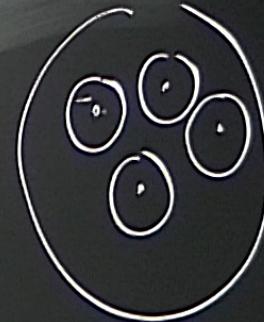
CASE VARIANCE

f_{sky} = FRACTION OF SKY

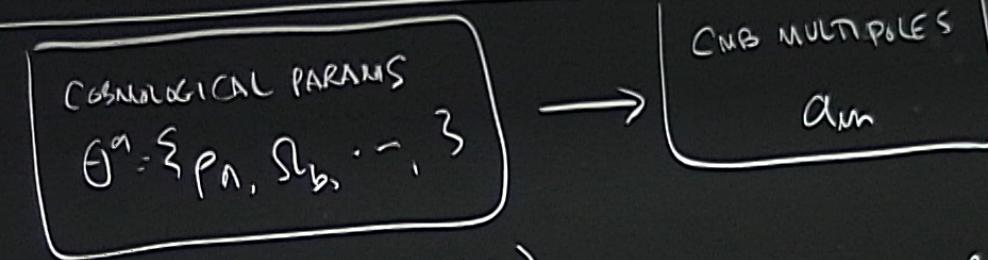
N_ℓ = "NOISE POWER SPECTRUM"



2.7 K



COSMOLOGICAL PARAMETER FORECAST



CONDITIONAL PDF $P(a_m | \theta)$

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FISHER MATRIX

$$F_{ab} = - \left\langle \frac{\partial^2 \log P(a_m | \theta)}{\partial \theta^a \partial \theta^b} \right\rangle_{a_m}$$

$$F_{ab} = \sum_{\ell=2}^{l_{\max}} \frac{2\ell+1}{2} \frac{1}{C_\ell^2} \frac{\partial C_\ell}{\partial \theta^a} \frac{\partial C_\ell}{\partial \theta^b}$$

$$\rightarrow f_{\text{sky}} \sum_{\ell} \frac{2\ell+1}{2} \frac{1}{(C_\ell + N_\ell)^2} \frac{\partial C_\ell}{\partial \theta^a} \frac{\partial C_\ell}{\partial \theta^b}$$

IN PRACTICE, C_ℓ AND $\frac{\partial C_\ell}{\partial \theta^a}$ ARE COMPUTED NUMERICALLY

$$\Theta \rightarrow \boxed{CMB \atop CMB} \rightarrow C_\ell$$

$$\frac{\partial C_\ell}{\partial \theta^a} \approx \frac{C_\ell(\theta + \Delta\theta^a) - C_\ell(\theta - \Delta\theta^a)}{2(\Delta\theta^a)}$$

COSMOLOGICAL PARAMETER FORECAST

COSMOLOGICAL PARAMS

$$\Theta^a = \{p_0, \Omega_b, \dots, f_{NL}\}$$



$$\langle a_{em} a_{lm} a_{lm} \rangle \sim$$

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