Cosmic Matter Dipole and non-Gaussianity with the Square Kilometre Array and its Pathfinders Dominik J. Schwarz Universität Bielefeld

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What do we probe in the radio?



Testing fundamental cosmological assumptions

Cosmic reference frame:

observed CMB dipole & proper motion hypothesis

Quantum origin of structure: vacuum initial conditions predict gaussianity of matter distribution with tiny deviation $\Phi = \Phi_G + f_{nl} (\Phi_G)^2$

Both aspects can be tested by means of continuum radio galaxy surveys

Cosmic Radio Dipole



 $d_{cmb} \Leftrightarrow d_{radio}$?

kinetic dipole Ellis & Baldwin 1984

mean z of radio galaxy catalogues > 1, but only distribution in z known

 $\frac{\mathrm{d}N}{\mathrm{d}\Omega}(>S) = aS^{-x}[1+d\cos\theta+\ldots]$

$$d = [2 + x(\alpha + 1)]\frac{v}{c}, \quad S \propto \nu^{-\alpha}$$

The Challenge



Simulated pixelated sky map of 100,000 sources including expected kinetic dipole: shot noise dominated → need huge catalogues (> 10⁶ sources) and large sky coverage (> 20.000 sqdeg) CMB Dipole

hypothesis: cmb dipole is due to peculiar motion $v = (369 \pm 0.9)$ km/s

prediction: Doppler shift and aberration for all objects at cosmological distances and at any frequency

test with high I multipoles in CMB Planck 2013/2015

test with radio sky

Kinetic CMB Dipole



v = 384 km/s ± 78 km/s (stat.) ± 115 km/s (sys.) Planck 20 3

NVSS @ I.4 GHz



S > 25 mJy

Condon et al. 2002

WENSS @ 325 MHz



S > 25 mJy

Rengelink et al. 1997

aTGSS @ 150 MHz



Intema et al. 2016

aTGSS (alternative DRITIFR GMRTSS) 90% of sky @ 150 MHz



S > 100 mJy

Rubart, Schwarz & Siewert, in prep.

Cosmic dipole @ 3 freq.

	Smin [mJy]	N	α [deg]	δ [deg]	d (0.01)	est.
NVSS	25	197,998	153±30	-4±34	I.I±0.3	**quad. harm.
NVSS	25	185,649	158±21	-2±21	1.6±0.6	lin.
NVSS	25	220,237	143±12	- ± 5	1.8±0.5	*quad.
NVSS	15	298,289	149±19	17±19	I.4±0.5	lin.
WENSS	25	92,600	117±40		2.9±1.9	lin.
aTGSS	150	162,331	135±?	75±?	2.4±?	*quad.
aTGSS	100	229,235	123±?	72±?	2.2±?	*quad.
expect.	-		168	-7	0.4	

*preliminary **Blake & Wall 2002 Rubart & Schwarz 2013 & in prep.

NVSS Dipole <z>~ 1.2



relative occurrence

Rubart & Schwarz 2013

Cosmic radio dipole



 $d_{cmb} \Leftrightarrow d_{radio} ?$

NVSS (I.4 GHz) & WENSS (345 MHz): directions consistent, amplitude 2 - 4 times too large Blake & Wall 2002 Rubart & Schwarz 2013

bulk flows? Watkins & Feldman 2014 Atrio-Barandela et al. 2014

local structure dipole? Rubart, Bacon & Schwarz 2014 Nusser & Tiwari 2016

Primordial Non-Gaussianity



Raccanelli et al. 2013



NVSS map of surface density

S > 15 mJy f = 1.4 GHz

Chen & Schwarz 2015

2pt correlation: consistent with Planck best-fit model and CENSOR redshift distribution

claims on Non-Gaussianity (Xia et al.) can be explained by systematic effects of NVSS data



NVSS angular power spectrum



Planck best-fit cosmology
→ consistent but noisy

Chen & Schwarz 2015

Sensitivity comparison





Cosmic Radio Sources



two populations: * AGNs (FRI-II, RQQ) * galaxies (SFG, SBG)

AGNs dominate at large fluxes

star forming galaxies dominate below ~ I mJy

identification of morphology for angular resolution 0.5"

Cosmic radio dipole



Schwarz et al., 2015, SKA Science Book

Constraints on non-Gaussianity with SKA





LOFAR (MSSS, Tier I), ASKAP (EMU), MeerKAT and SKA will open new windows for cosmological tests

the radio sky still hides more unexplored cosmic structure modes than any other waveband