

Predicting High Precision Hubble Constant Determinations Based on a New Theoretical Relationship between CMB Temperature and H_0

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Abstract

Based on considerable progress made in understanding the Cosmic Microwave Background (CMB) temperature from a deep theoretical perspective, this paper demonstrates a useful and simple relationship between the CMB temperature and the Hubble constant. This allows us to predict the Hubble constant with much higher precision than before by using the CMB temperature. This is of great importance, since it will lead to much higher precision in various global parameters of the cosmos, such as the Hubble radius and the age of the universe. We have improved uncertainty in the Hubble constant all the way down to 66.8712 ± 0.0019 km/s/Mpc based on data from one of the most recent CMB studies. Previous studies based on other methods have rarely reported an uncertainty much less than approximately ± 1 km/s/Mpc for the Hubble constant. Our deeper understanding of the CMB and its relation to H_0 seems to be opening a new era of high-precision cosmology, which may well be the key to solving the Hubble tension, as alluded to herein. Naturally, our results should also be scrutinized by other researchers over time, but we believe that, even at this stage, this deeper understanding of the CMB deserves attention from the research community.

Keywords

Hubble Constant, CMB, Planck Temperature, Upsilon Constant

1. Introduction: Hubble Constant from CMB Temperature

This paper is motivated by very recent developments in theoretical cosmology,

specifically where it concerns new cosmological models. For example, in 2015, Tatum *et al.* [1] offered their own model, including its formula for the cosmic temperature in the following form:

$$T_H = \frac{\hbar c^3}{k_b 8\pi G \sqrt{M_c m_p}} \quad (1)$$

where T_H is the Hubble temperature, k_b is the Boltzmann constant, $\hbar$ is the reduced Planck constant, c is the speed of light, G is the gravitational constant, m_p is the Planck mass and M_c is the critical mass in the Friedmann [2] equation $M_c = \frac{c^3}{2GH_0}$ that also is part of Einstein's [3] general relativity and the

Λ -CDM cosmological model, as well as other lesser-known cosmological models. Equation (1) was initially investigated heuristically as many good ideas often start out; however, a more solid foundation must be established over time. A derivation of Equation (1) based on the Stefan-Boltzmann law has just been published [4] [5] and clearly shows that the formula is valid within thermodynamics and general relativity theory. Whether our way to predict the Hubble constant can be incorporated into the Λ -CDM model should be the subject of future investigation.

However, it is also important to investigate its predictive capacity for different so-called $R_h = ct$ cosmological models [6]-[11] that are consistent with general relativity theory, including growing black hole models. Equation (1) was introduced in Tatum *et al.*'s growing black hole $R_h = ct$ cosmological model. Such cosmological models are actively discussed to this day; see, for example [12]-[16]. We are pointing this out because it is too early to say which cosmological models will ultimately be found consistent with this way to predict the Hubble constant and which ones will not. The most important point in this article is that our proposed mathematical relationship between the Hubble constant and the CMB temperature should lead to much lower uncertainty in Hubble constant determinations based on measurement of the CMB temperature. This approach might also improve the prediction of how the CMB temperature evolved in the past, such as the exact time of the decoupling of the CMB. However, correlation with past cosmic epochs is outside the scope of this paper.

The formula above can also be expressed as:

$$T_{CMB} = \frac{T_p}{8\pi} \sqrt{\frac{2l_p}{R_{H_0}}} = \frac{T_p}{8\pi} \sqrt{\frac{2l_p H_0}{c}} \quad (2)$$

where T_{CMB} is the CMB temperature, R_{H_0} is the Hubble radius, H_0 is the Hubble constant, c is the speed of light, T_p is the Planck [17] temperature and l_p is the Planck length. Equations (1) and (2) are just two ways to write the same formula, so we can start with either of these and solve for H_0 . Solving for H_0 gives:

$$H_0 = \frac{T_{CMB}^2}{T_p^2} \frac{64\pi^2 c}{2l_p} \quad (3)$$

And since the Planck length $l_p = \sqrt{\frac{G\hbar}{c^3}}$ and $T_p = \frac{1}{k_b} \sqrt{\frac{\hbar c^5}{G}} = \frac{m_p c^2}{k_b}$, if we insert that into Equation (3), we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
 H_0 &= \frac{T_{CMB}^2}{\left(\frac{1}{k_b} \sqrt{\frac{\hbar c^5}{G}}\right)^2} \frac{64\pi^2 c}{2\sqrt{\frac{G\hbar}{c^3}}} \\
 H_0 &= \frac{T_{CMB}^2}{\left(\frac{1}{k_b} c\hbar \sqrt{\frac{c^3}{\hbar G}}\right)^2} \frac{32\pi^2 c}{\sqrt{\frac{G\hbar}{c^3}}} \\
 H_0 &= \frac{T_{CMB}^2 k_b^2 32\pi^2}{c\hbar \sqrt{\frac{c^3 \hbar}{G}}} \quad (4)
 \end{aligned}$$

In the equation above, we can even separate out the part only containing constants:

$$\frac{k_b^2 32\pi^2}{c\hbar \sqrt{\frac{c^3 \hbar}{G}}} = \frac{k_b^2 32\pi^2 G^{1/2}}{c^{5/2} \hbar^{3/2}} = 2.91845601 \times 10^{-19} \pm 0.00003279 \times 10^{-19} \text{ s}^{-1} \cdot \text{K}^{-2} \quad (5)$$

And we could call this composite constant Upsilon: Υ (Latin version of Upsilon). The uncertainty in Upsilon only comes from the uncertainty in

$G = 6.67430 \times 10^{-11} \pm 0.00015 \times 10^{-15} \text{ m}^3 \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{s}^{-2}$, as all other constants in the composite constant are defined exactly in NIST CODATA 2018. The relation between the Hubble constant and the CMB temperature is, therefore, just a composite constant multiplied by the CMB temperature squared:

$$H_0 = \Upsilon T_{CMB}^2 \quad (6)$$

Still, naturally, part of this Upsilon composite constant contains G , and we would still naturally need to take into account uncertainty in G , as well as the uncertainty in the CMB temperature when finding the uncertainty in the Hubble constant from this method, so the uncertainty will be the same as we will get from Equation (4), as will be explored in the next section.

To summarize this section, all of the above formulae are effectively produced by different substitutions and rearrangements of Equation (1). The results are the same with respect to calculating the value and precision of the Hubble constant for a given CMB temperature value [18]. In the next section, we will demonstrate that this formula is not only of theoretical interest to describe the relationship between the Hubble constant and the CMB temperature, but that it surprisingly leads to much higher precision in Hubble constant predictions after properly accounting for the full uncertainty in all input parameters.

2. High Precision Hubble Constant

Since the discoveries by Lemaître [19] and Hubble [20], extensive observational

studies have been ongoing for many decades in order to increase the precision in the Hubble constant, something that is of great importance for a more precise understanding of the cosmos. See, for example [21]-[30]. Even the more precise of these studies have not much less than 1 standard deviation uncertainty in their measured or estimated Hubble constant values in units of 1 km/s/Mpc.

In our formulae, we are using the NIST CODATA (2018) value for G , which is $6.67430 \times 10^{-11} \pm 0.00015 \times 10^{-11} \text{ m}^3 \cdot \text{kg}^{-1} \cdot \text{s}^{-2}$. Therefore, we are fully accounting for the uncertainty in G . Additionally, we consider the uncertainty in CMB temperature as provided in the respective studies we represent in **Table 1**. The speed of light $c = 299792458 \text{ m} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$, the reduced Planck constant (also known as the Dirac constant) $\hbar = \frac{h}{2\pi} = 1.054571817 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J} \cdot \text{s}$ and the Boltzmann constant $k_b = 1.380649 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J} \cdot \text{K}^{-1}$ that we need as inputs have no uncertainty, as they are exactly defined according to NIST 2018 CODATA. This approach allows us to incorporate the complete input uncertainty into predicting H_0 .

To convert our value into units km/s/Mpc, we use the resolution B2 adopted at the 2015 General Assembly of the International Astronomical Union (IAU), where the parsec is defined as exactly $648,000/\pi$ astronomical units, and for AU, we use $149,597,870,700 \text{ m}$ (IAU 2012 Resolution B1). So, the conversion factor we need to multiply the results from our formula is the product of $1000 \times 648,000/\pi \times 149,597,870,700 \text{ km/Mpc}$. There is no uncertainty in these conversion numbers, since they are merely conversion factors that are exactly defined.

For example, from the recent Dhal *et al.*'s [31] CMB study, we obtain a value of $H_0 = 66.8712 \pm 0.0019 \text{ km/s/Mpc}$. This uncertainty of $\pm 0.0019 \text{ km/s/Mpc}$ represents one standard deviation. Compared to other published methods and studies, our Equations (4) and (6) provide for dramatically improved precision. We do not know of a previous study with much less than about 1 standard deviation below 1 km/s/Mpc. This breakthrough lies in a much deeper understanding of the relationship between the CMB temperature and the Hubble constant. **Table 1** displays Hubble constant values (H_0) estimated from a series of different CMB studies, but using our new high-precision method to determine H_0 while accounting for the full uncertainty in the input parameters.

Table 1. This table shows Hubble constant estimates using our new calculation method from several different CMB studies.

CMB Study	Temperature Measurement	High-Precision Method for H_0
Dhal <i>et al.</i> [31]	$2.725007 \pm 0.000024\text{K}$	$H_0 = 66.8712 \pm 0.0019 \text{ km/s/Mpc}$
Noterdaeme <i>et al.</i> [32]	$2.725 \pm 0.002\text{K}$	$H_0 = 66.8708 \pm 0.0989 \text{ km/s/Mpc}$
Fixsen <i>et al.</i> [33]	$2.72548 \pm 0.00057\text{K}$	$H_0 = 66.8944 \pm 0.0287 \text{ km/s/Mpc}$
Fixsen <i>et al.</i> [34]	$2.721 \pm 0.010\text{K}$	$H_0 = 66.68 \pm 0.49 \text{ km/s/Mpc}$

Figure 1 graphically illustrates the estimates provided in **Table 1**, along with error bars of 1 Standard Deviation (STD), using our new theoretical understanding

of the precise relationship between the Cosmic Microwave Background (CMB) temperature and H_0 . The error bars in the most recent study by Dhal *et al.* [31] are so small that they are barely discernible on the graph, without significantly reducing the visibility of the observation points themselves. This is why we are confident enough to claim that this appears to be leading us into a new realm of high-precision cosmology. The improvement in precision is so dramatic that it is easy to think that it is too good to be true. We were initially skeptical as well, but have carefully retraced our steps, and it is clear that it is the newly established direct theoretical relationships between CMB temperature and the Hubble constant that make this possible. We naturally do not ask any researcher to take this for granted, but hope that more researchers will scrutinize this method carefully as well as determine its relevance with respect to the different cosmological models in the literature.

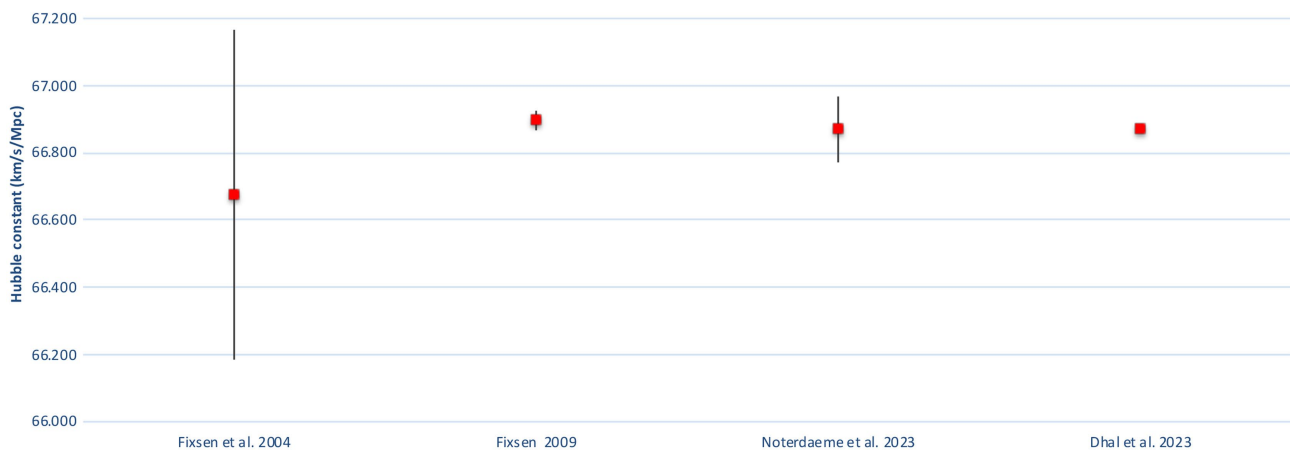


Figure 1. Hubble constant estimates from different CMB studies using new method.

An outstanding issue in relation to the Hubble constant is the Hubble tension, as discussed in, for example [27] [35] [36]. This tension results from markedly different Hubble constant measurements based on apparently conflicting early universe [28] and local universe [26] research studies. However, on the basis of the new theoretical relationship between the CMB temperature and H_0 introduced herein, we have recently published preprints [37] [38], presently in the journal submission stage, in which we claim to have solved the Hubble tension in favor of the Planck Collaboration Hubble constant value. We believe that the basis for this longstanding tension hinges upon using the correct distance-vs-redshift formula appropriate for the original Tatum *et al.*'s growing black hole $R_h = ct$ cosmological model. We now refer to the model that uses such a distance-vs-redshift formula as the Haug-Tatum cosmological model, which can be explored by our readers in our highly detailed preprints referenced above. In addition, because the Haug-Tatum model naturally implies a cosmic age significantly greater than 13.8 billion years, we also refer readers to preprints that give a cosmic age value of approximately 14.622 billion years [39] [40]. This significantly longer cosmic time

frame may well have important implications with respect to better understanding the surprisingly “early” galaxy structure formation recently observed in the early universe.

3. High Precision Hubble Cosmology

Due to a significantly higher precision in the determination of the Hubble constant, we can now predict various cosmological parameters that employ the Hubble constant, such as the Hubble time and the Hubble radius, with much greater accuracy than before. The Hubble radius, denoted as R_{H_0} , is typically calculated using the formula $R_{H_0} = \frac{c}{H_0}$. Since there is no uncertainty in the speed of light c , the uncertainty in R_{H_0} is essentially the same as that in H_0 . The Hubble time, defined as $t_h = \frac{1}{H_0}$, similarly benefits from the reduced uncertainty in H_0 .

In addition, because of the linear nature of $R_h = ct$ models, the concept of an accelerating dark energy is not relevant to the derivations of the key equations presented herein.

In the context of the Λ -CDM model, the critical mass, denoted as M_c , is calculated as $M_c = \frac{c^3}{2GH_0}$. Here, the uncertainty is slightly higher due to the additional factor of the gravitational constant G . Nonetheless, this method still provides significantly higher precision in such a model than any other approaches, thanks to the considerably reduced uncertainty in the Hubble constant value.

4. Conclusion

Any of our quantum cosmology formulae displayed in Section 1 can predict H_0 with much higher precision than before due to a breakthrough in understanding the CMB temperature in relation to H_0 . Based on recent high-precision CMB temperature observations in combination with our new and deeper understanding of the relationship between CMB temperature and H_0 , we obtain a 1 standard deviation uncertainty of no greater than ± 0.49 km/s/Mpc, when using the 2004 data by Fixen *et al.* [34], to as low as one standard deviation of ± 0.0019 km/s/Mpc from the 2023 data provided by Dhal *et al.* [31]. We claim that our formulaic method to find H_0 from precise CMB temperature observations is quite revolutionary and deserves attention from the research community. As a prime example of its potential value, we refer the reader to the above-mentioned Haug and Tatum’s references, which provide a highly detailed analysis and apparent solution of the Hubble tension problem. Over time, the research community can either confirm our findings or point out possible weaknesses in our reasoning. So far, we have not identified any such weaknesses, despite searching for them. It indeed appears that the recent breakthrough in understanding the theoretical relationship between CMB temperature and H_0 offers significantly improved precision regarding the large-scale global parameters of the universe. However, a theory must undergo

scrutiny by multiple researchers over time to demonstrate its robustness. Therefore, the first step must be to make our discoveries accessible. We sincerely hope that this publication will encourage more researchers to look into this fascinating relationship between CMB temperature and H_0 .

Data Availability Statements

All data used in this article are properly referenced and incorporated into our table and figure, so that anyone can easily check our calculations (“predictions”) in comparison to observations.

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The authors declare no conflicts of interest regarding the publication of this paper.

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