

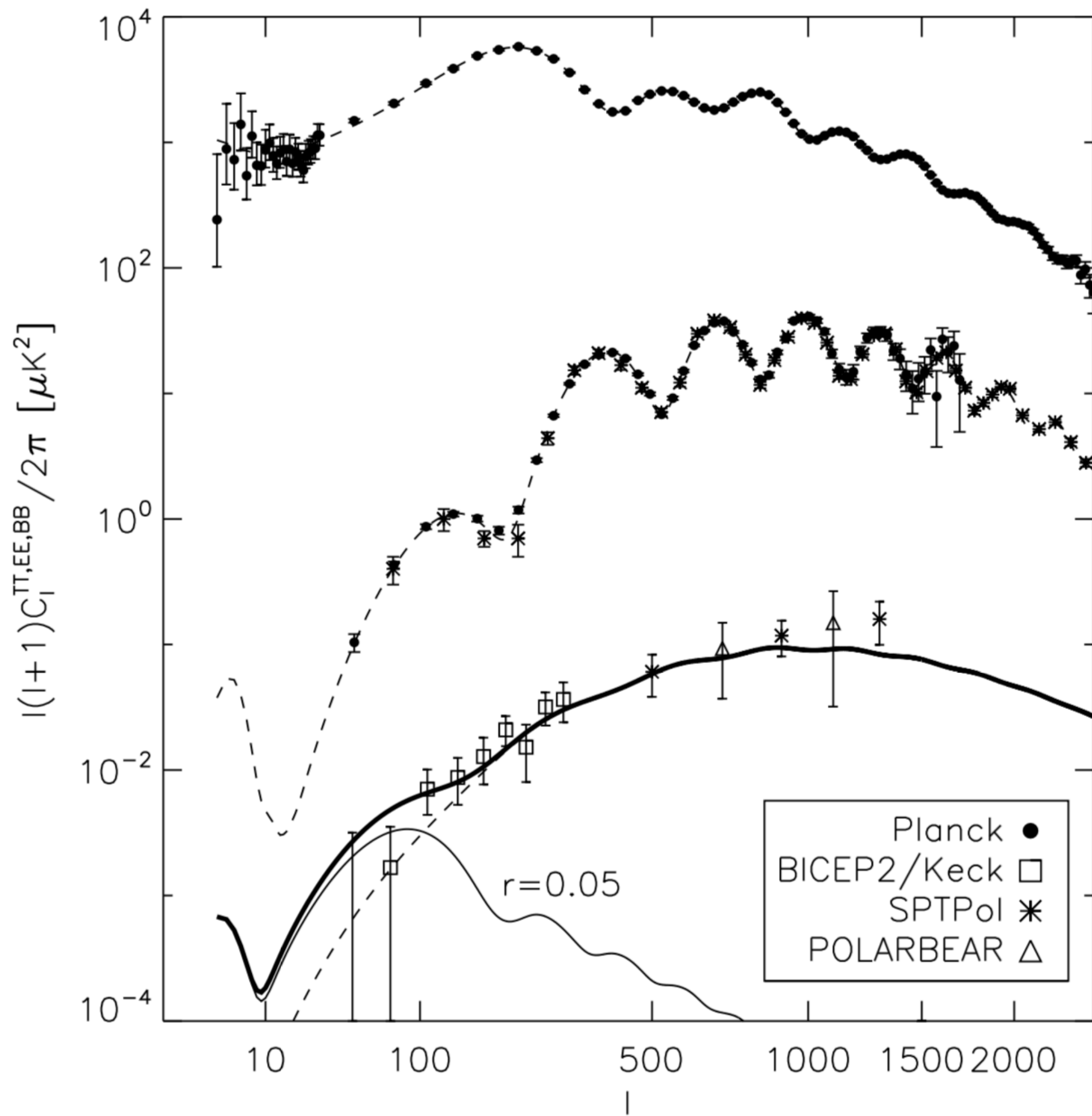
Non-Gaussian gravitational waves from inflation

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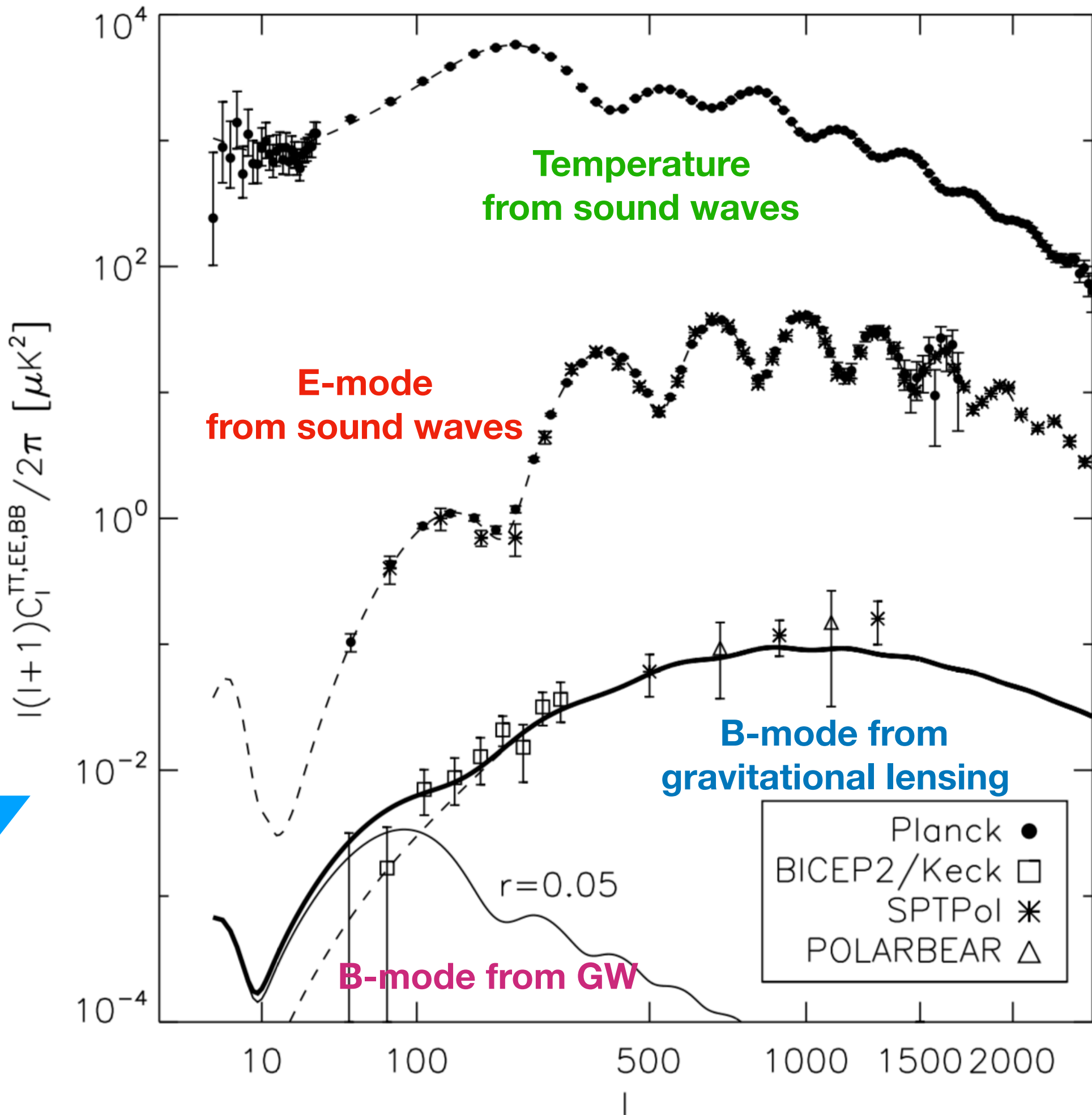
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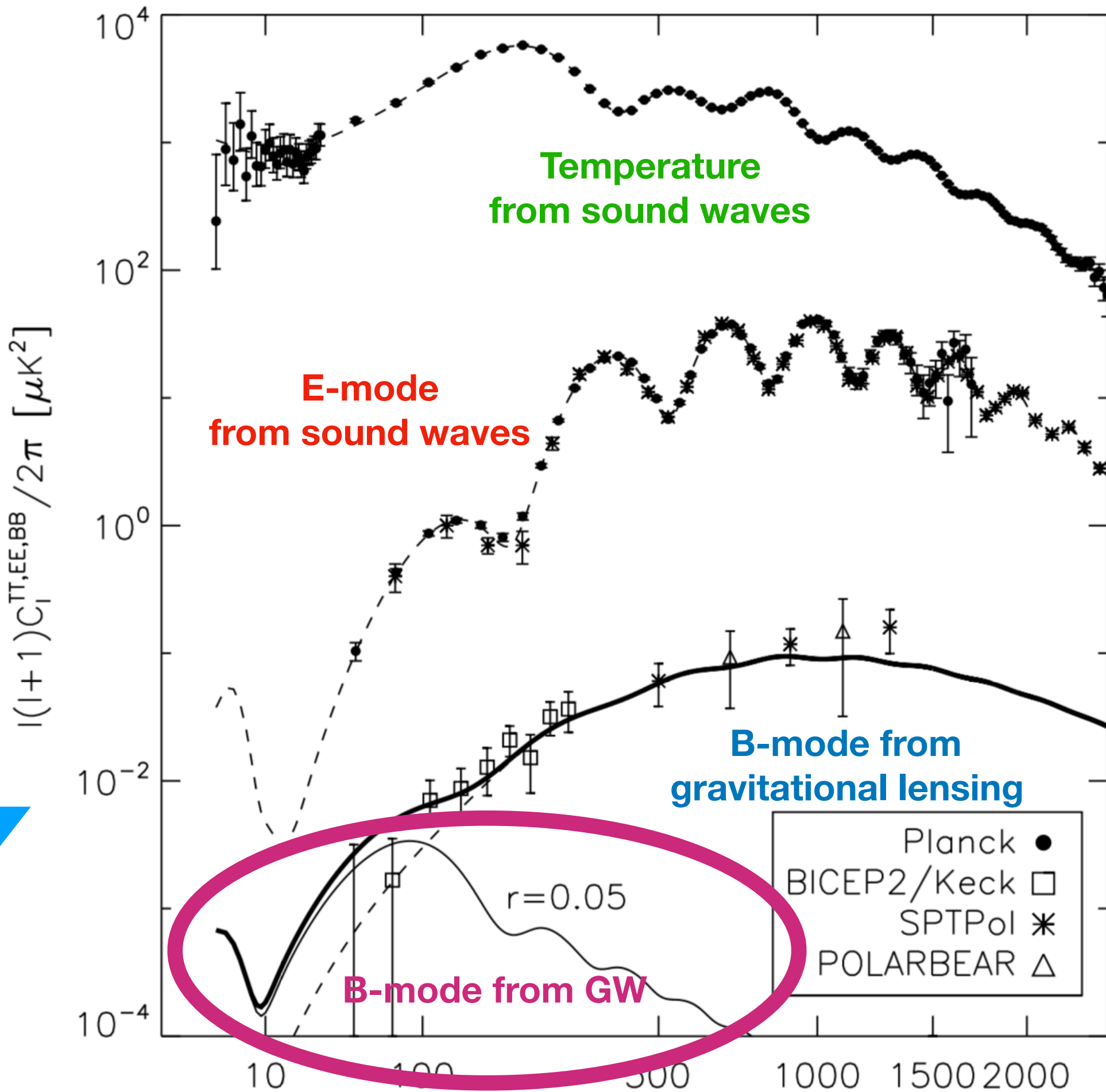
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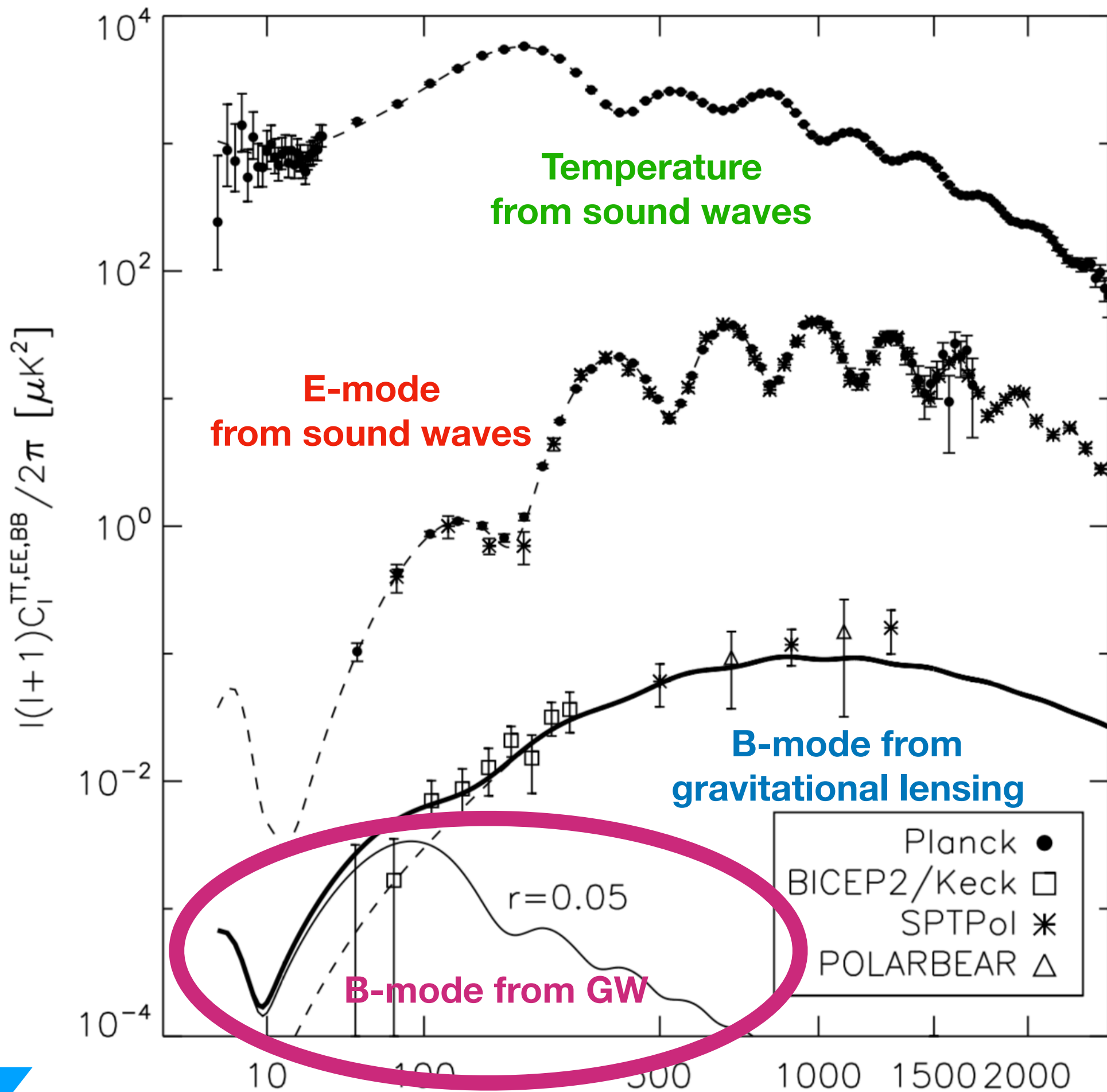
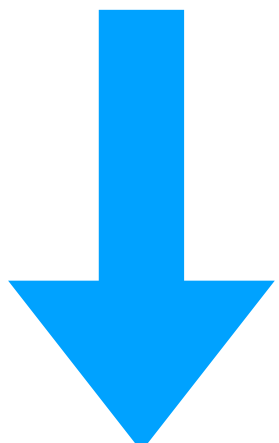


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We want this!!

Another two orders of magnitude
in the next 10–15 years



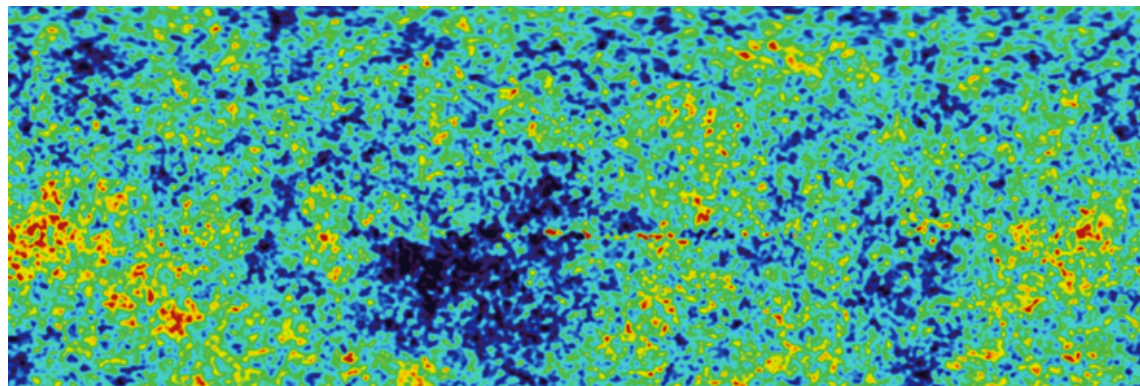
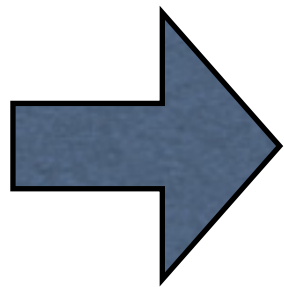
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Key Predictions

 ζ

scalar
mode

- Fluctuations we observe today in CMB and the matter distribution originate from quantum fluctuations during inflation

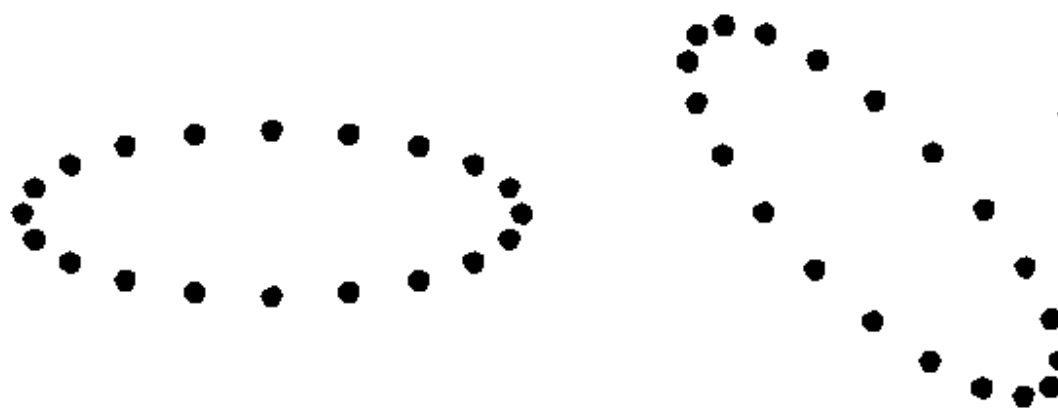
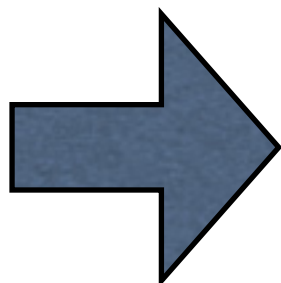


Mukhanov&Chibisov (1981)
Guth & Pi (1982)
Hawking (1982)
Starobinsky (1982)
Bardeen, Steinhardt&Turner (1983)

 h_{ij}

tensor
mode

- There should also be *ultra long-wavelength* gravitational waves generated during inflation



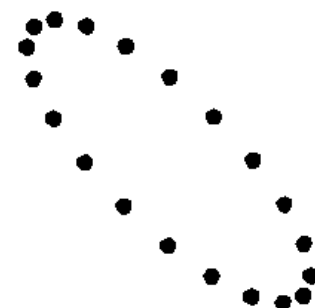
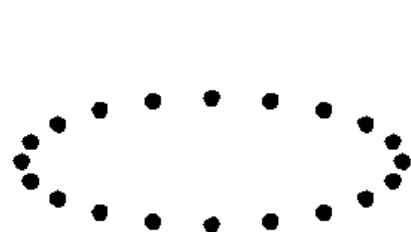
Grishchuk (1974)
Starobinsky (1979)

We measure distortions in space

- A distance between two points in space

$$d\ell^2 = a^2(t)[1 + 2\zeta(\mathbf{x}, t)][\delta_{ij} + h_{ij}(\mathbf{x}, t)]dx^i dx^j$$

- ζ : “curvature perturbation” (scalar mode)
 - Perturbation to the determinant of the spatial metric
- h_{ij} : “gravitational waves” (tensor mode)
 - Perturbation that does not alter the determinant

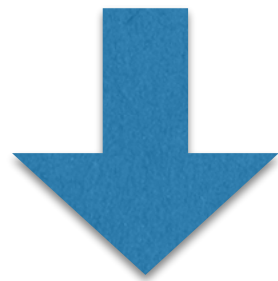


$$\sum_i h_{ii} = 0$$

Measuring GW

- GW changes distances between two points

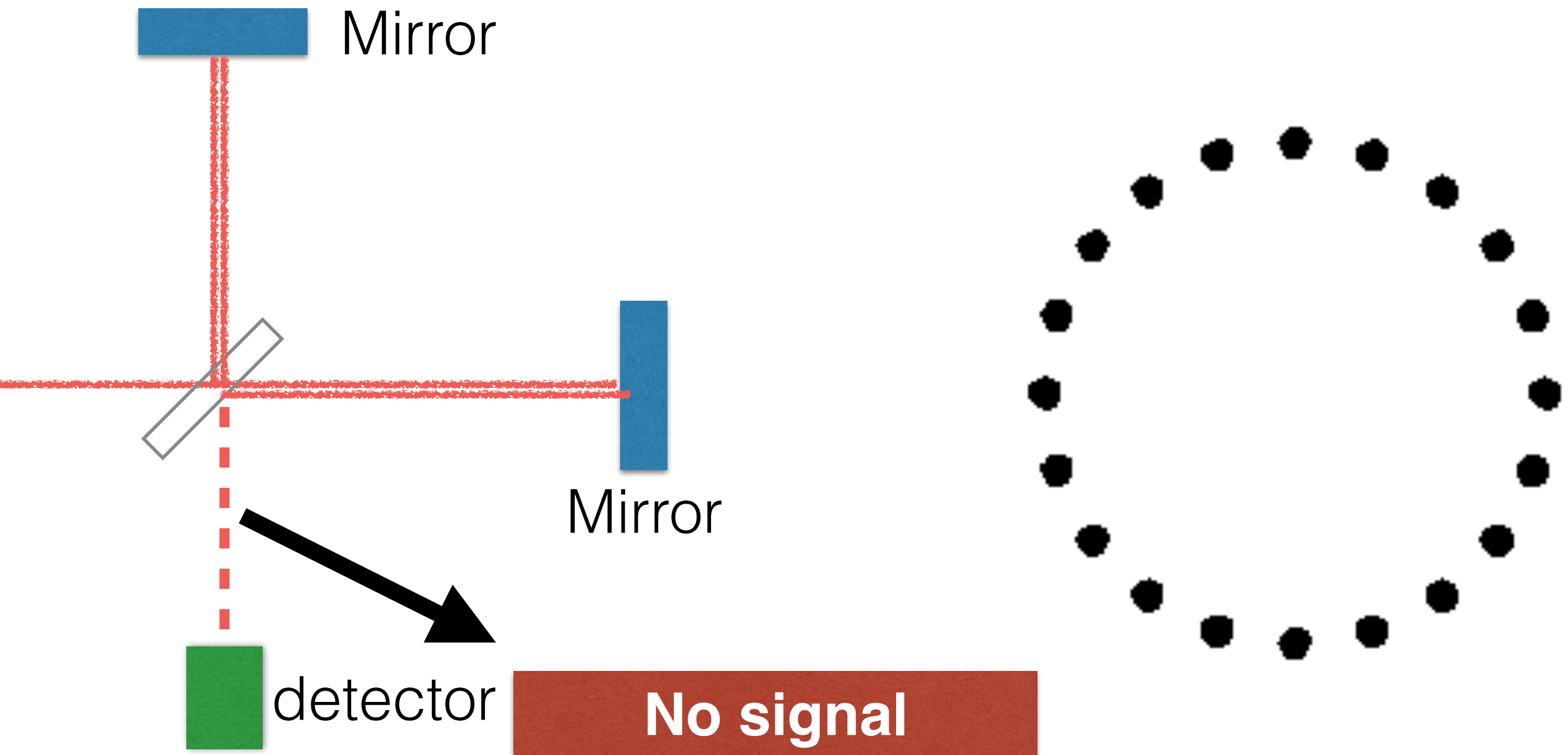
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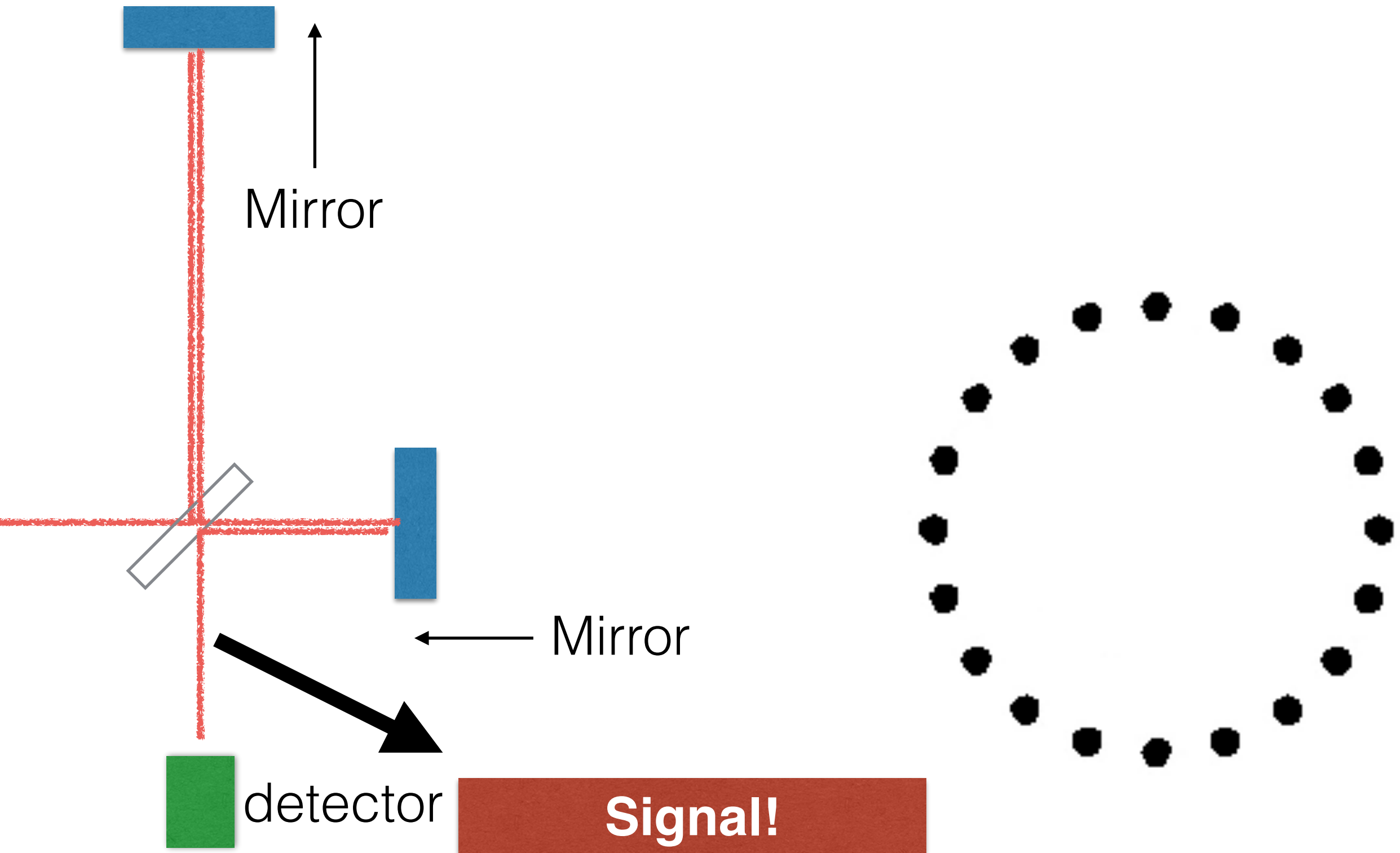
$$d\ell^2 = \sum_{ij} (\delta_{ij} + \textcolor{red}{h_{ij}}) dx^i dx^j$$



Laser Interferometer



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LIGO detected GW from a binary blackholes, with the wavelength of thousands of kilometres

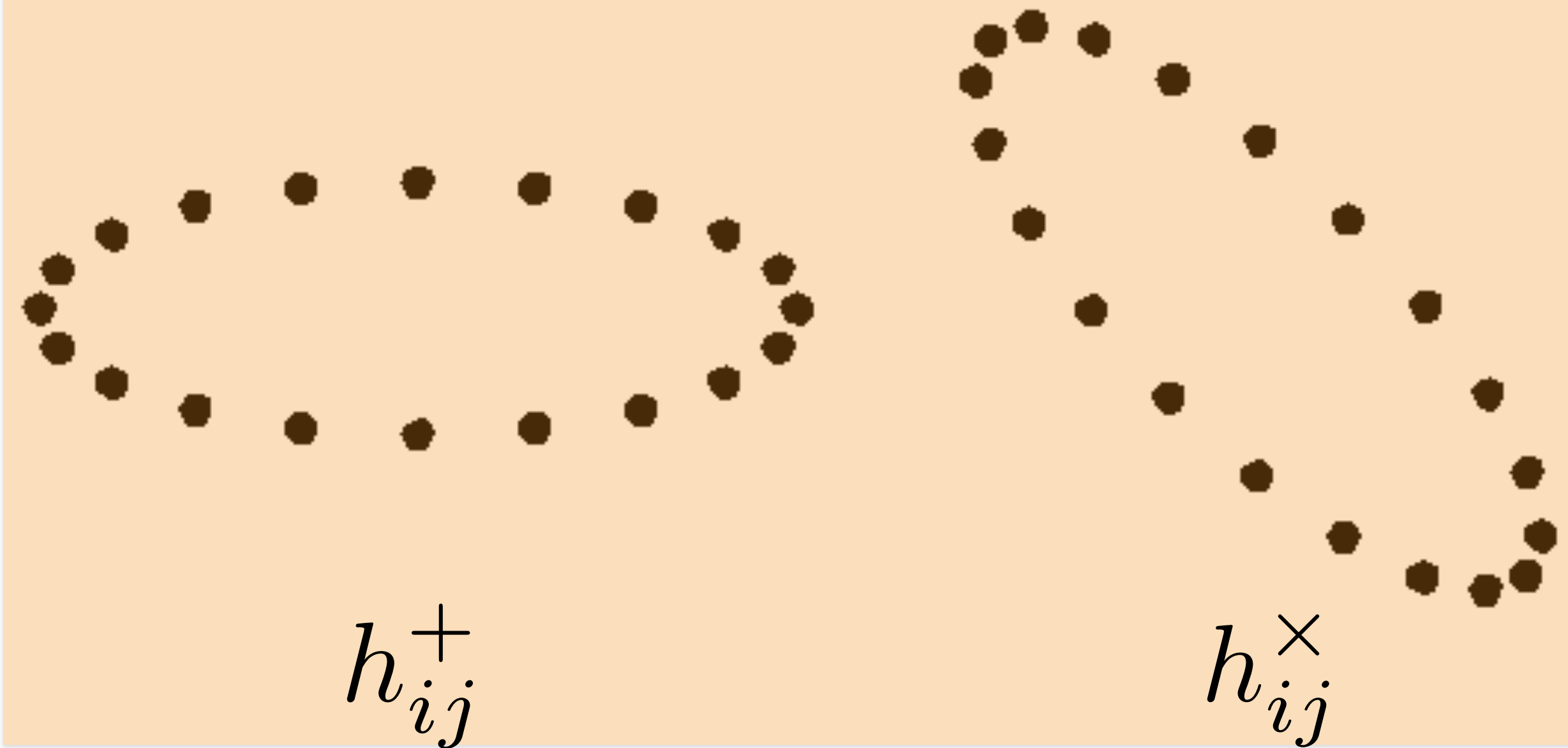
But, the primordial GW affecting the CMB has a wavelength of **billions of light-years!!** How do we find it?

Detecting GW by CMB

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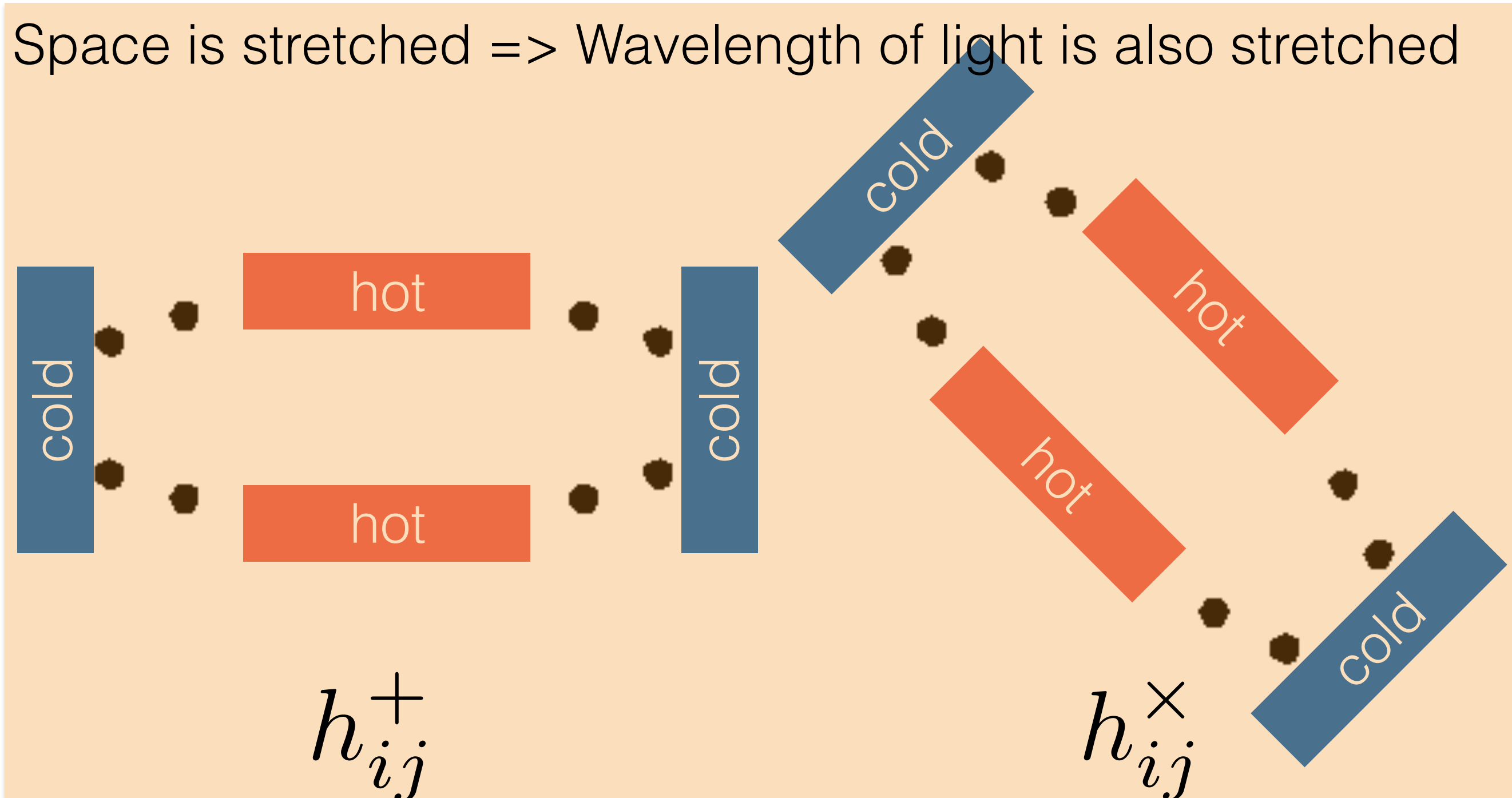
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GW propagating in isotropic electro-magnetic fields



Detecting GW by CMB

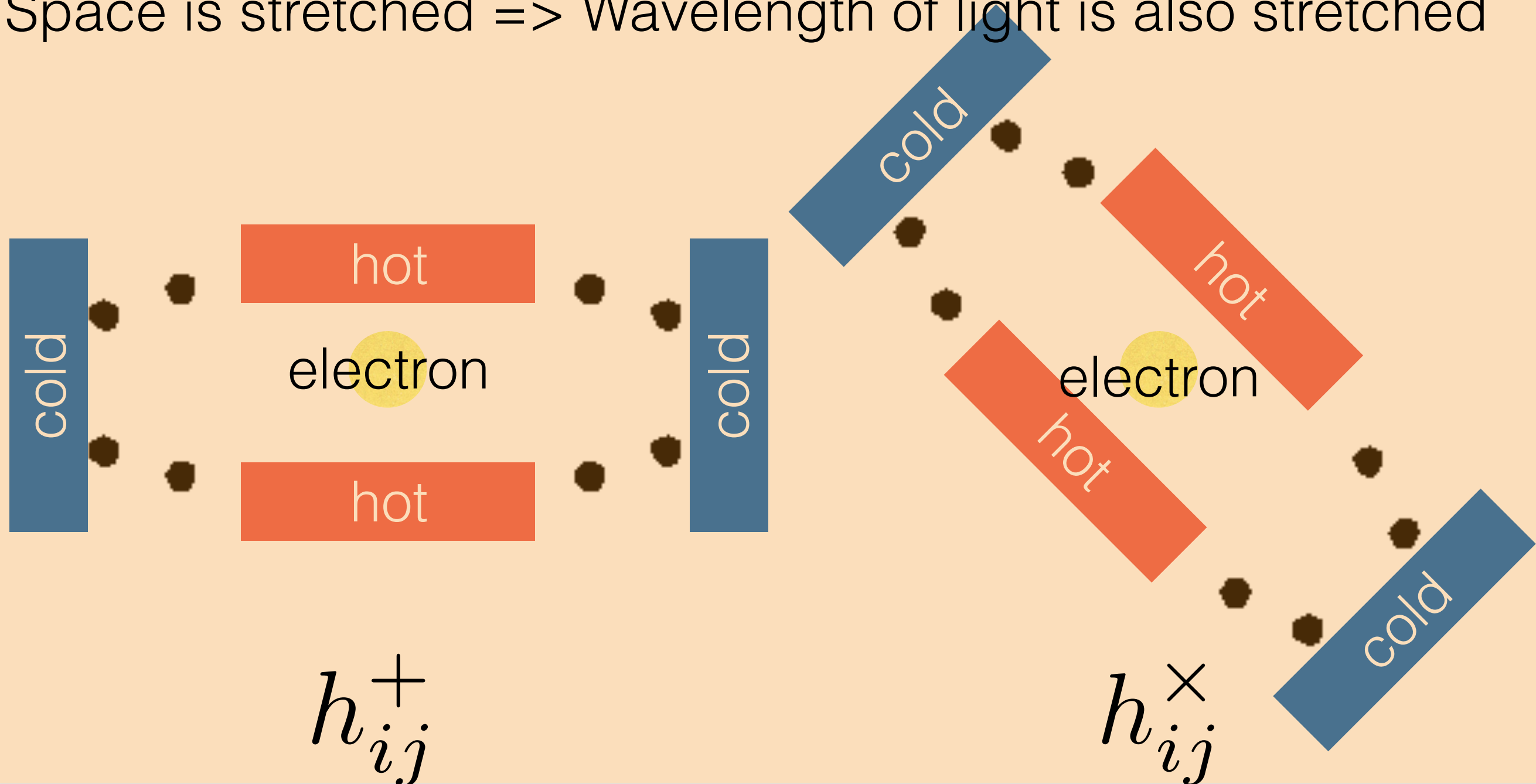
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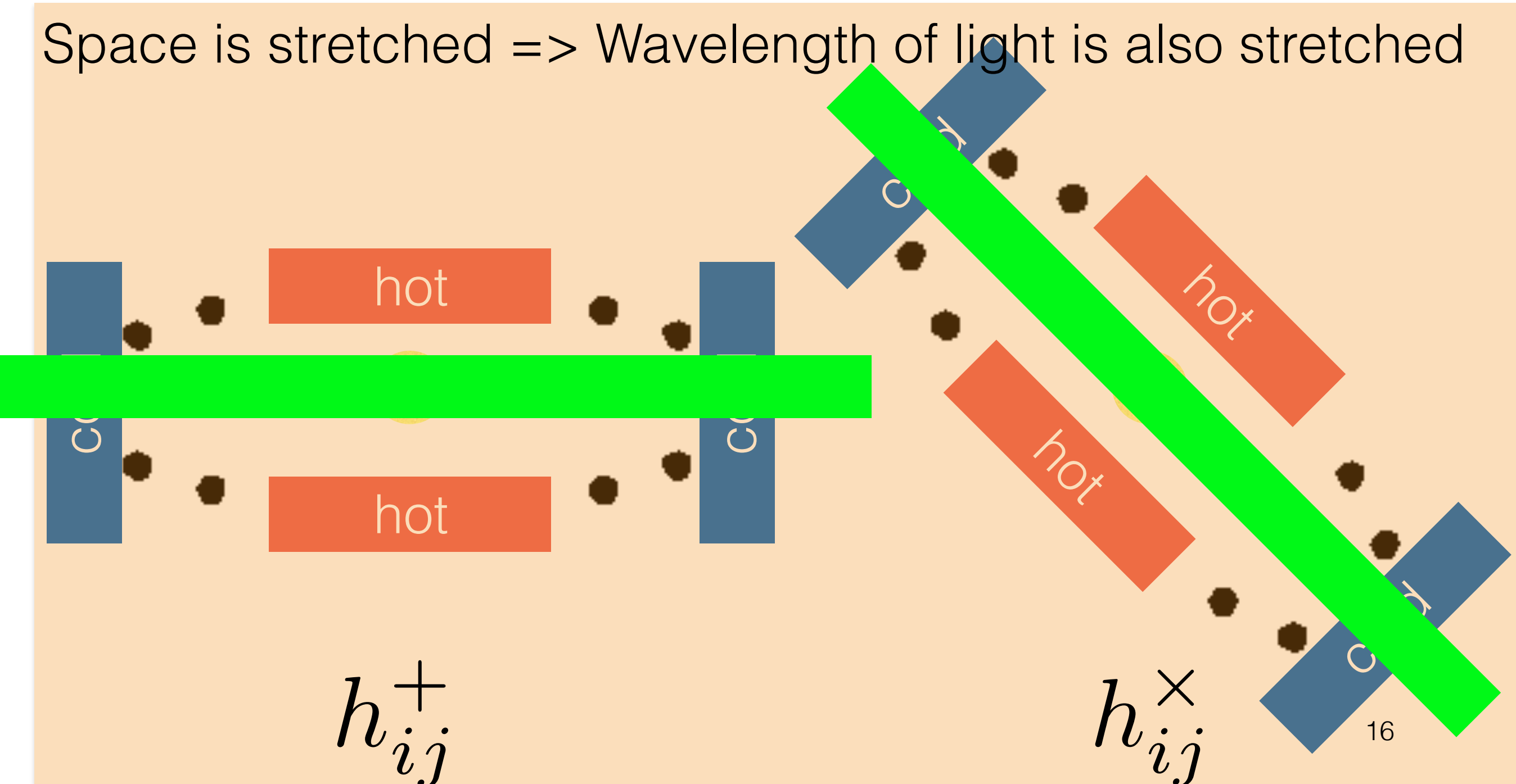


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horizontally polarised

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Gravitational waves as the quantum vacuum fluctuation in spacetime

- Quantising the gravitational waves in de Sitter space in **vacuum**

$$\square h_{ij} = 0$$

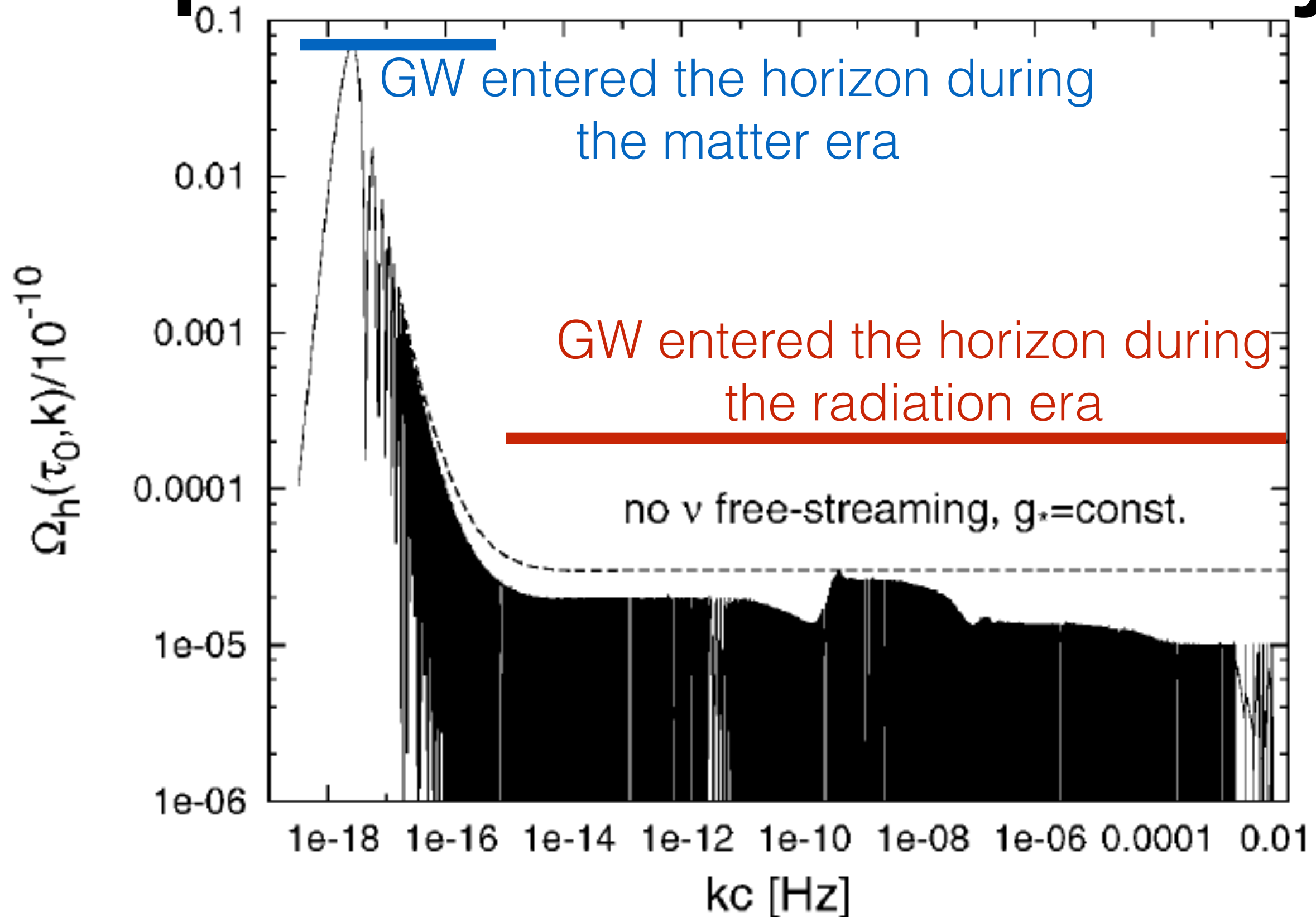
gives

$$k^3 \langle h_{ij}(\mathbf{k}) h^{ij*}(\mathbf{k}') \rangle$$

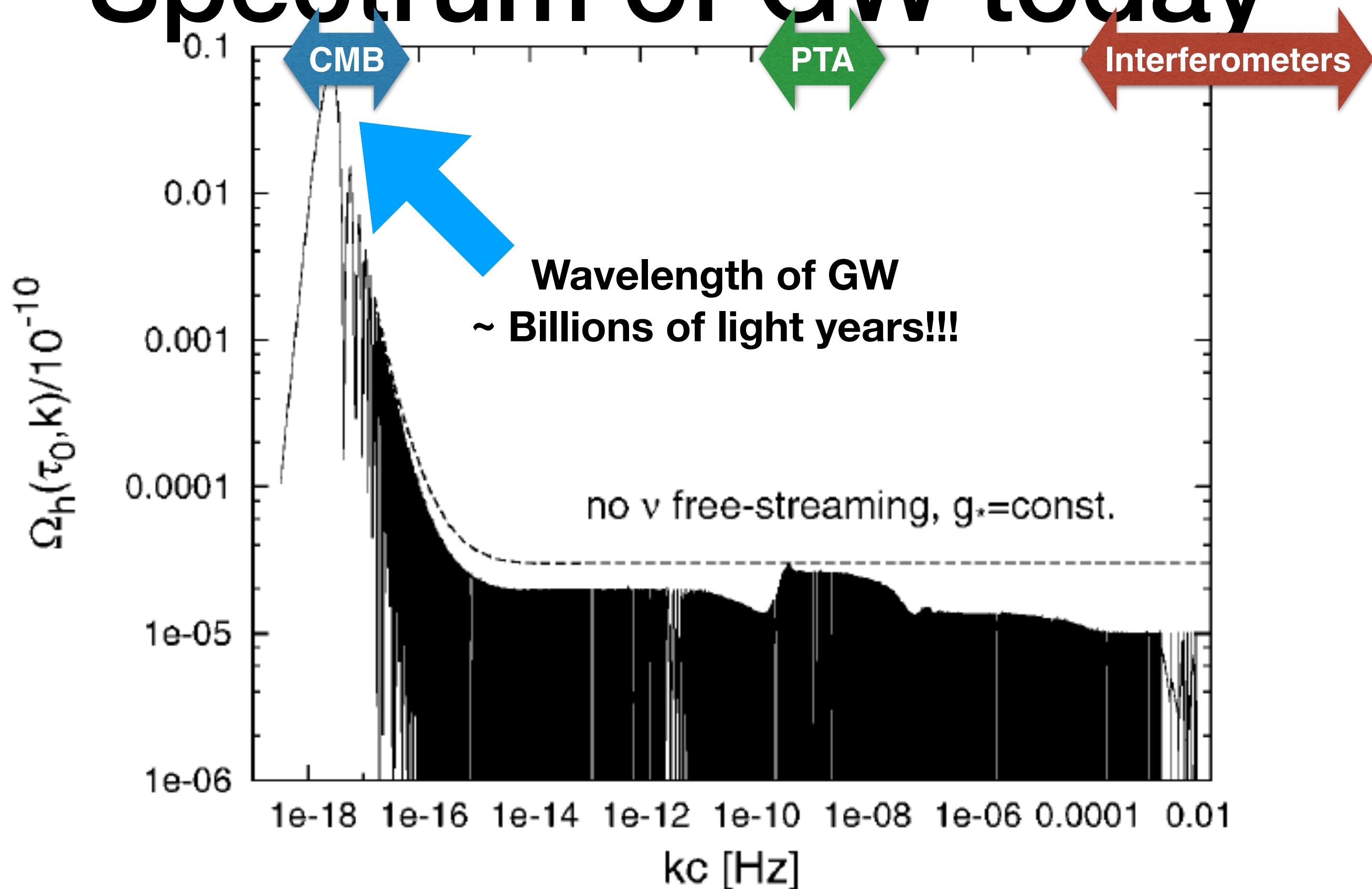
$$= (2\pi)^3 \delta_D(\mathbf{k} - \mathbf{k}') \frac{8}{M_{\text{pl}}^2} \left(\frac{H}{2\pi} \right)^2$$

scale-invariant spectrum

Theoretical energy density Spectrum of GW today



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But, wait a minute...

Are GWs from vacuum fluctuation in spacetime, or from sources?

$$\square h_{ij} = -16\pi G \pi_{ij}$$

- **Homogeneous solution:** “GWs from vacuum fluctuation”
- **Inhomogeneous solution:** “GWs from sources”
 - Scalar and vector fields cannot source tensor fluctuations at linear order (possible at non-linear level)
Many papers by Sorbo, Peloso, and others
 - SU(2) gauge field can!

Maleknejad & Sheikh-Jabbari (2013); Dimastrogiovanni & Peloso (2013);
Adshead, Martinec & Wyman (2013); Obata & Soda (2016); ...

Important Message

$$\square h_{ij} = -16\pi G \pi_{ij}$$

- Do not take it for granted if someone told you that detection of the primordial gravitational waves would be a signature of “quantum gravity”!
- Only the homogeneous solution corresponds to the vacuum tensor metric perturbation. **There is no *a priori* reason to neglect an inhomogeneous solution!**
- Contrary, we have several examples in which detectable B-modes are generated by **sources** [U(1) and SU(2)]

Experimental Strategy

Commonly Assumed So Far

1. Detect CMB polarisation in multiple frequencies, to make sure that it is from the CMB (i.e., Planck spectrum)
2. Check for scale invariance: Consistent with a scale invariant spectrum?
 - Yes => Announce discovery of the vacuum fluctuation in spacetime
 - No => WTF?

New Experimental Strategy: New Standard!

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If not, you may have just discovered new physics during inflation!

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Further Remarks

- “*Guys, you are complicating things too much!*”
- **No.** These sources (eg., gauge fields) should be ubiquitous in a high-energy universe. They have every right to produce GWs if they are around
- Sourced GWs with $r \gg 0.001$ can be phenomenologically more attractive than the vacuum GW from the large-field inflation [requiring super-Planckian field excursion]. Better radiative stability, etc
- Rich[er] phenomenology: Better integration with the Standard Model; reheating; baryon synthesis via leptogenesis, etc. **Testable using many more probes!**

GW from Axion-SU(2) Dynamics



$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{GR} + \mathcal{L}_\phi + \mathcal{L}_\chi - \frac{1}{4} F_{\mu\nu}^a F^{a\mu\nu} + \frac{\lambda \chi}{4f} F_{\mu\nu}^a \tilde{F}^{a\mu\nu}$$

- ϕ : inflaton field => Just provides quasi-de Sitter background
[I don't want to touch this sector because I don't understand inflaton]
- χ : pseudo-scalar “axion” field. Spectator field (i.e., negligible energy density compared to the inflaton)
- Field strength of an SU(2) field A_ν^a :

$$F_{\mu\nu}^a \equiv \partial_\mu A_\nu^a - \partial_\nu A_\mu^a - g\epsilon^{abc} A_\mu^b A_\nu^c$$

A well-defined set up:

Axion-SU(2) gauge field dynamics in a given de-Sitter background.

Everything is calculable!

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Background and Perturbation



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- In an inflating background, the SU(2) field has an **isotropic** background solution:

$$A_i^a = [\text{scale factor}] \times Q \times \delta_i^a$$

$$Q \equiv (-f \partial_\chi U / 3g\lambda H)^{1/3}$$

U: axion potential

- Perturbations contain a tensor (spin-2) mode (as well as S&V)

$$\delta A_i^a = t_{ai} + \dots$$

$$t_{ii} = \partial_a t_{ai} = \partial_i t_{ai} = 0$$

Scenario

- The SU(2) field contains 1 tensor, 2 vectors, and 3 scalars (9 DOF = $12 - 3$)
- The tensor components are amplified strongly by a coupling to the axion field
- Only one helicity is amplified $\Rightarrow$ GW is **chiral** (well-known result, also for U(1))
- New result: **GWs sourced by this mechanism are strongly non-Gaussian!**

Agrawal, Fujita & EK, PRD, 97, 103526 (2018); JCAP 1806, 027 (2018)

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- The produced gravitational waves are totally chiral!**
- The solution (when all the parameters are constant and the terms on the right hand side are ignored):

$$t_R(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2k}} i^\beta W_{\beta,\alpha}(-2ix) \quad \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \equiv -i\sqrt{2m_Q\xi - 1/4} \\ \beta \equiv -i(m_Q + \xi) \end{pmatrix}$$

[Whittaker function]

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- Inhomogeneous solution:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \psi_R^{(s)}(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2kx}} \left[\mathcal{F}_E \sqrt{\epsilon_E} + \mathcal{F}_B \sqrt{\epsilon_B} \right]$$

$\mathcal{F}_E, \mathcal{F}_B$: some complicated functions

Power Spectrum!

$$\mathcal{P}_h^{(s)}(k) = \frac{H^2}{\pi^2 M_{\text{Pl}}^2} \left| \sqrt{2kx} \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \psi_R^{(s)}(x) \right|^2 = \frac{\epsilon_B H^2}{\pi^2 M_{\text{Pl}}^2} \mathcal{F}^2$$

$$\mathcal{F}^2 \equiv \left| \mathcal{F}_B + \sqrt{\epsilon_E / \epsilon_B} \mathcal{F}_E \right|^2 \approx \exp(3.6 m_Q)$$

- This exponential dependence on m_Q makes it possible to have $\mathbf{P_{sourced} \gg P_{vacuum} = (2/\pi^2)H^2/M_{Pl}^2}$
- **New Paradigm**

Phenomenology

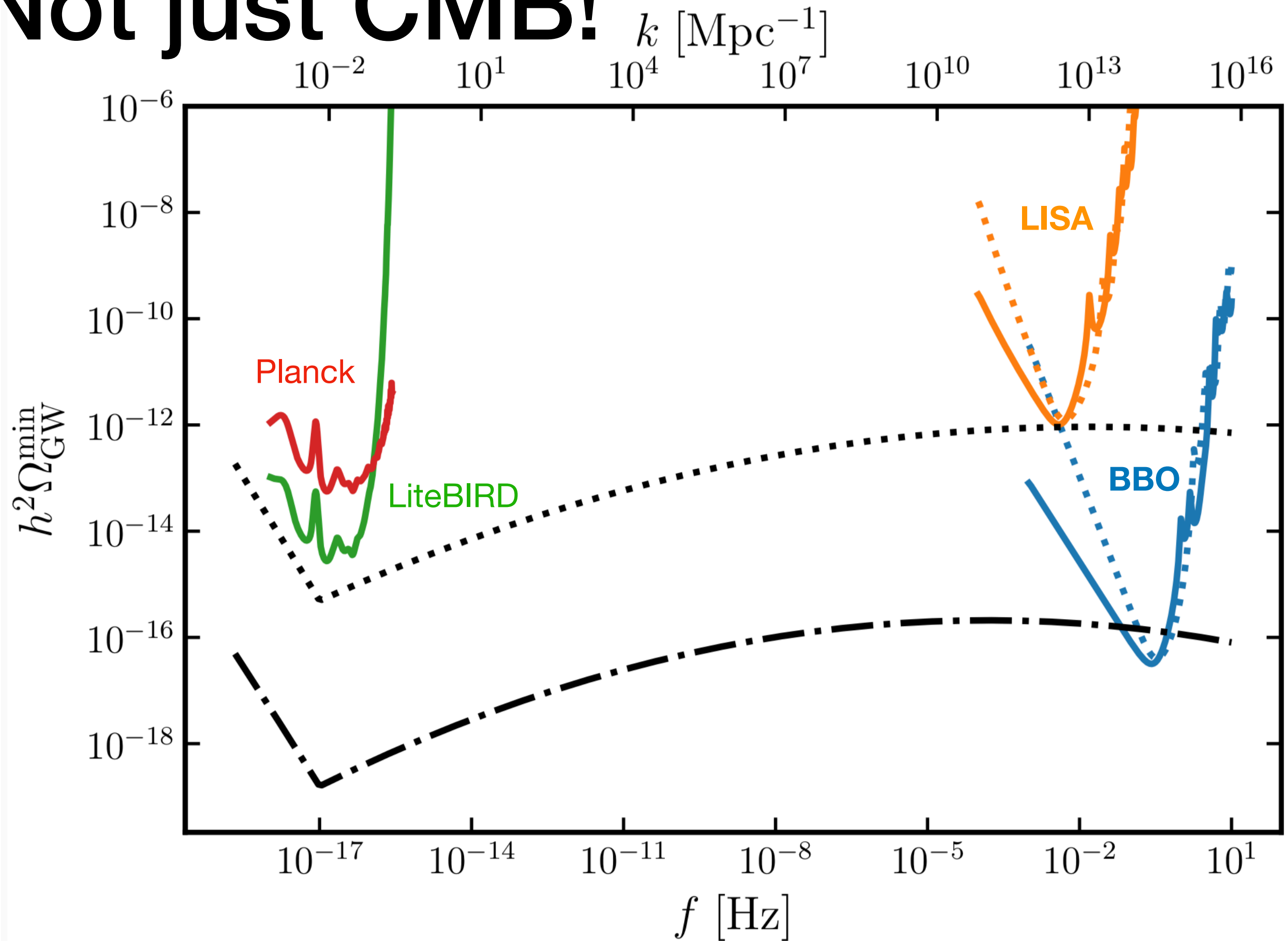
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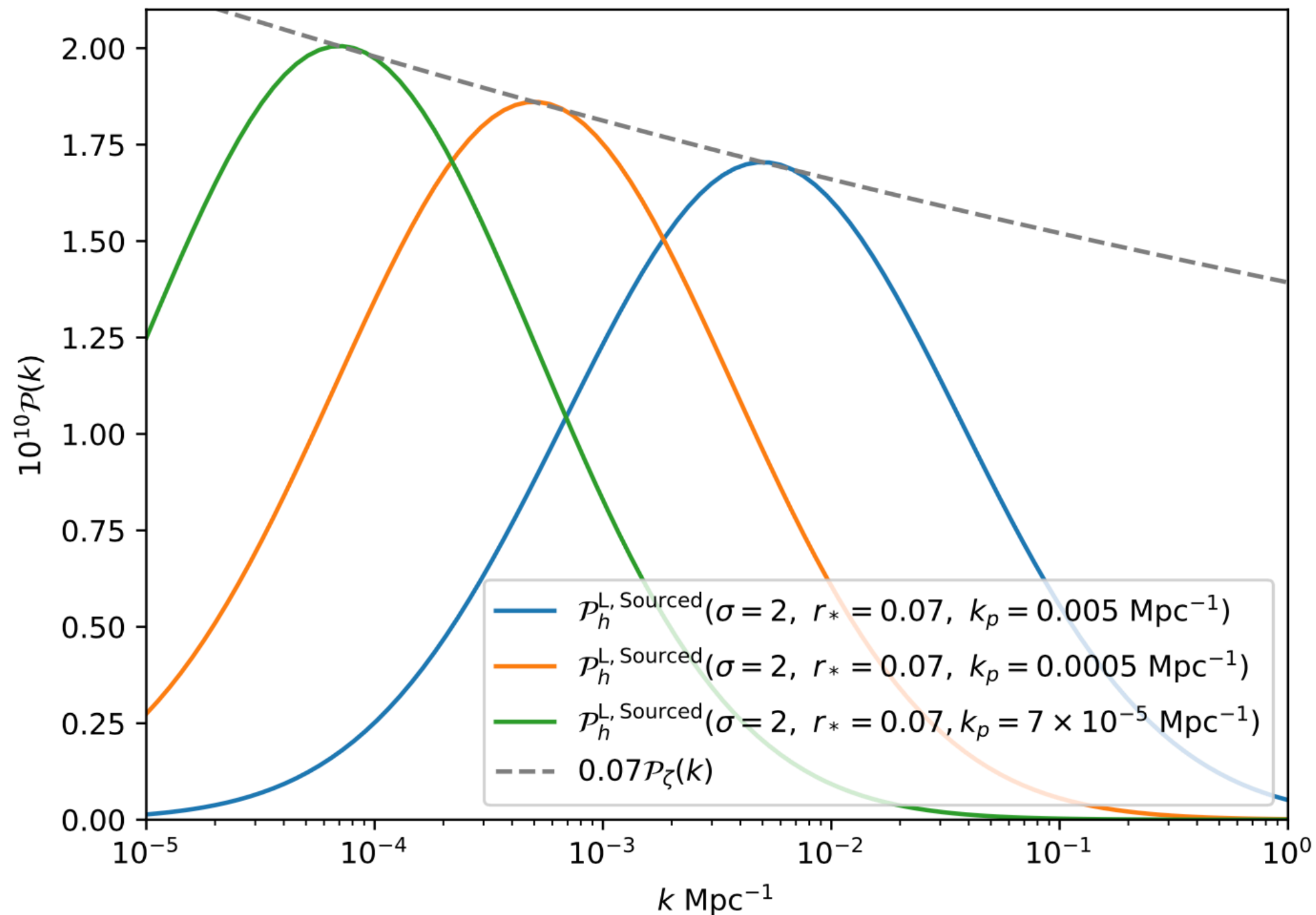
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- The scale-dependence of the produced tensor modes is determined by how m_Q changes with time
- E.g., Axion rolling faster towards the end of inflation: BLUE TILTED power spectrum! Therefore...

Not just CMB!



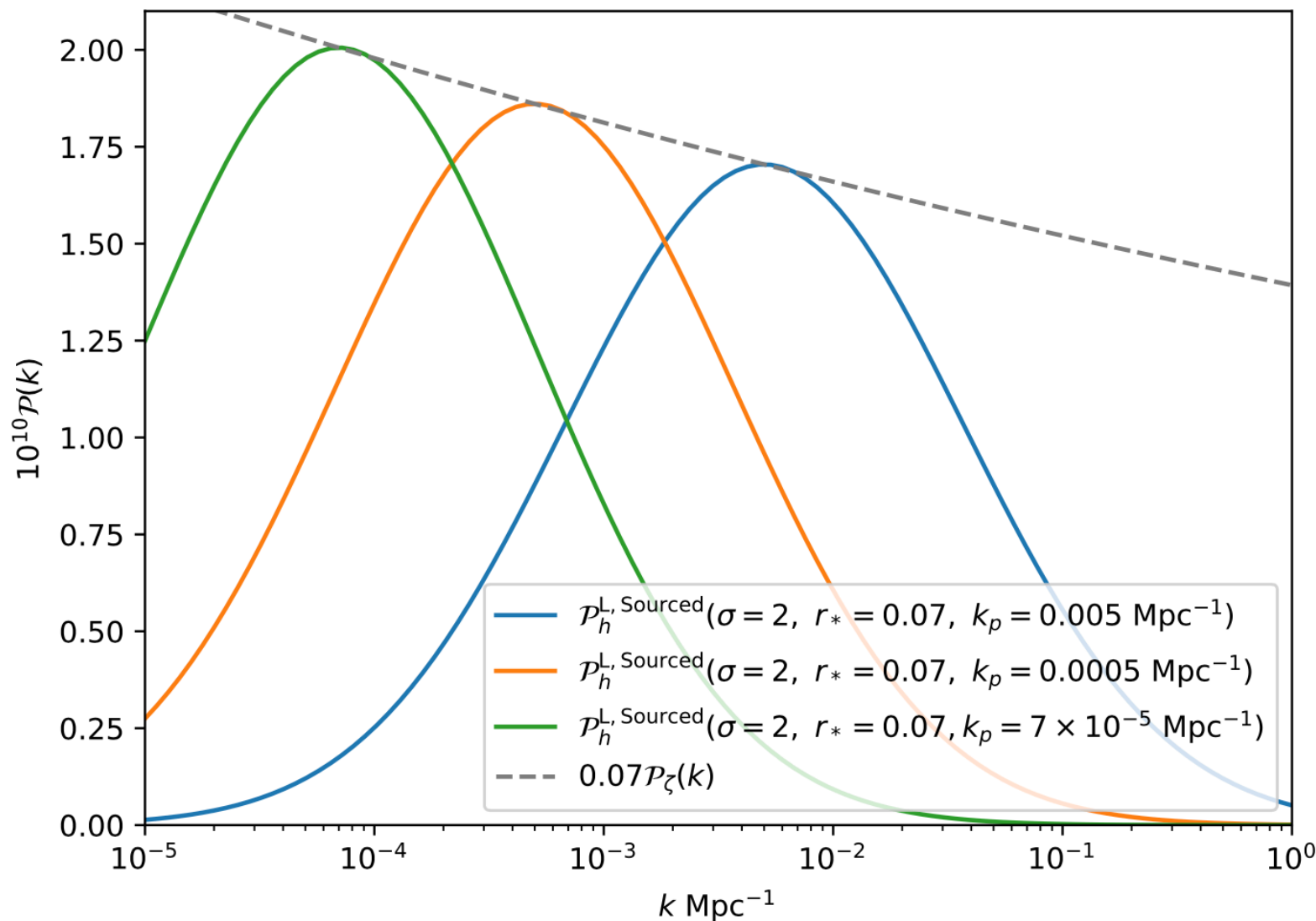
Example Tensor Spectra



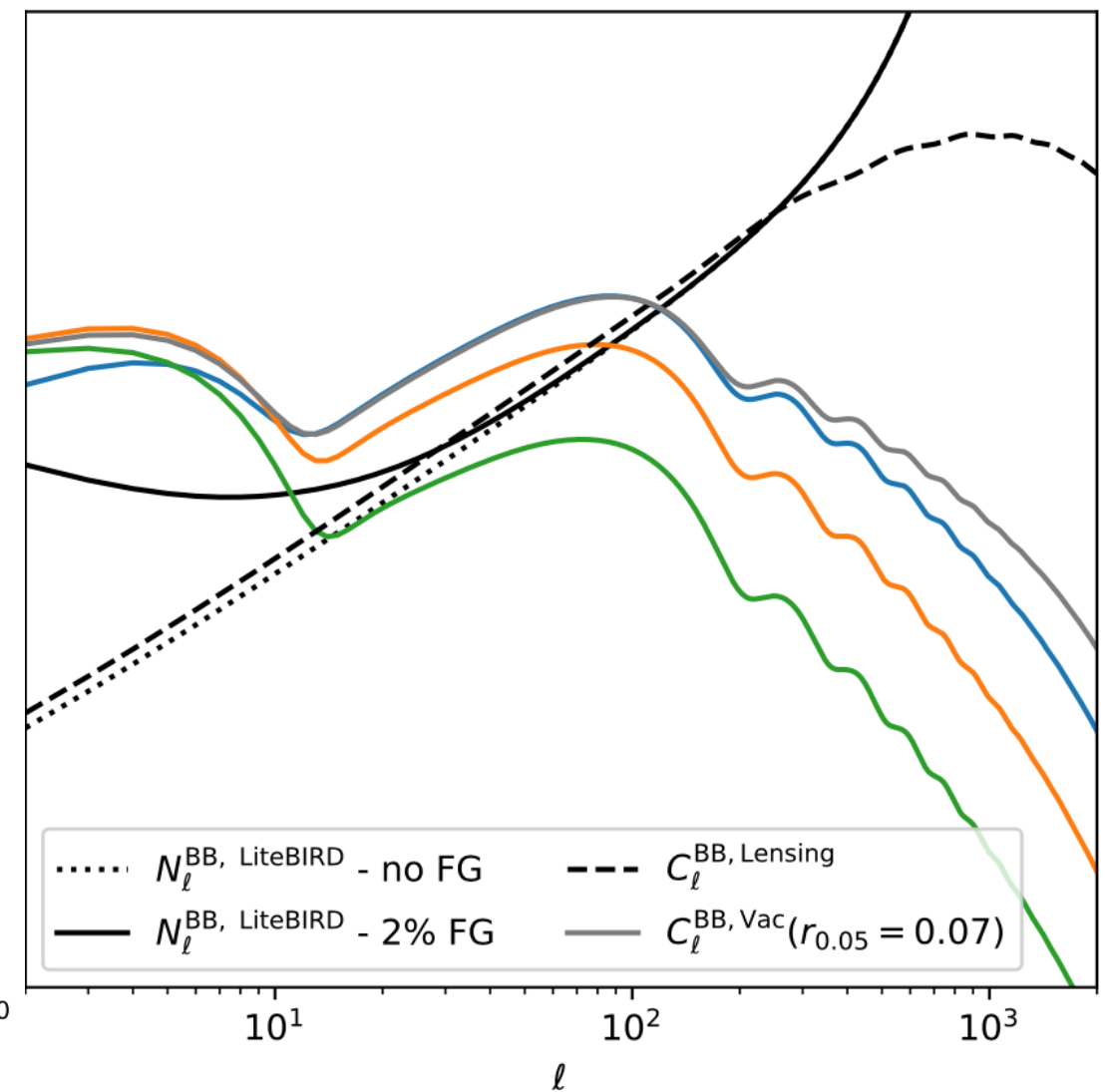
- Sourced tensor spectrum can also be bumpy

Example Tensor Spectra

Tensor Power Spectrum, $P(k)$

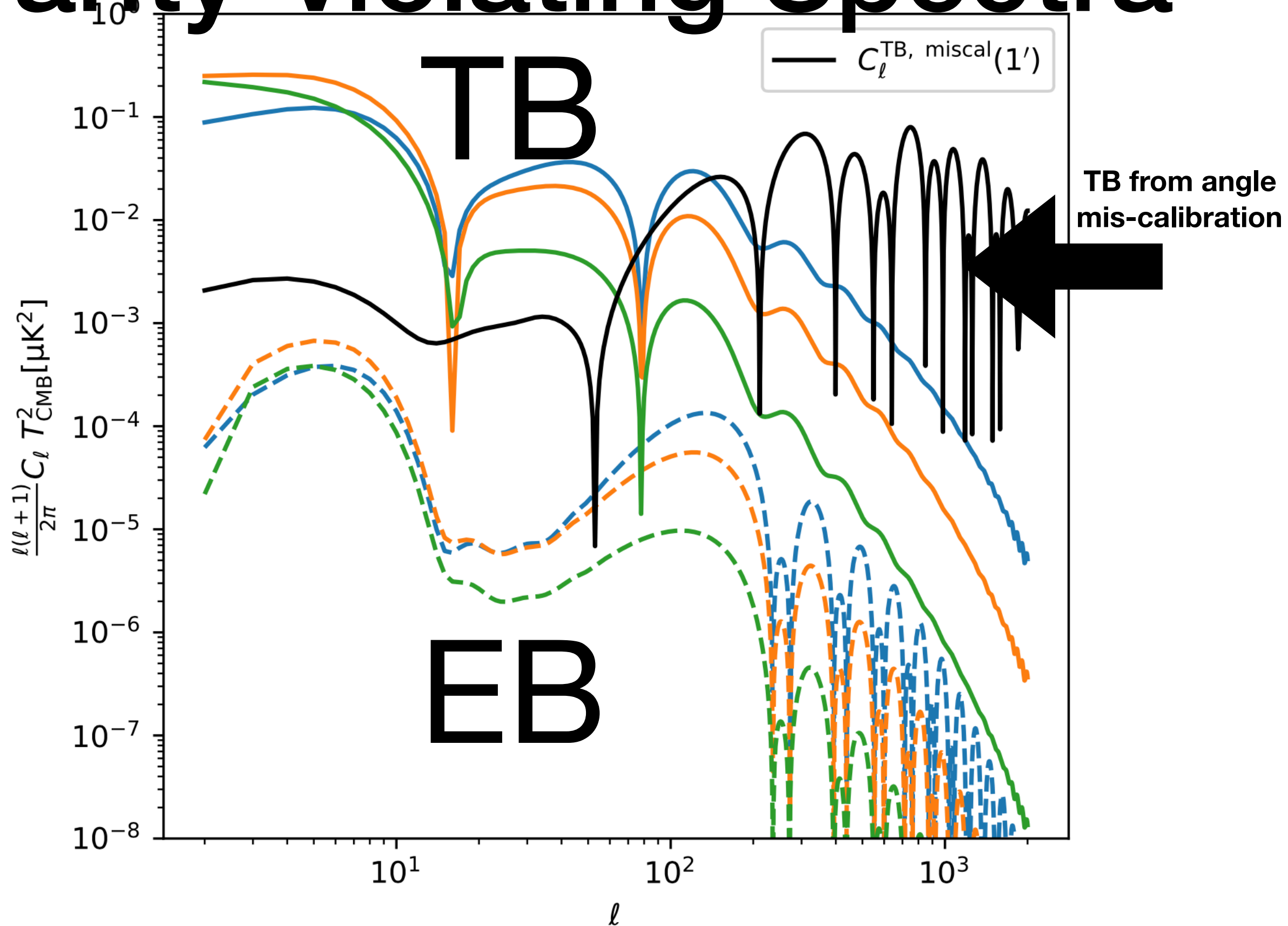


B-mode CMB spectrum, C_ℓ^{BB}



- The B-mode power spectrum still looks rather normal

Parity-violating Spectra



- Angle mis-calibration can be distinguished easily!

Large bispectrum in GW from SU(2) fields



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$$\frac{B_h^{RRR}(k, k, k)}{P_h^2(k)} \approx \frac{25}{\Omega_A}$$



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$$\langle \hat{h}_R(\mathbf{k}_1) \hat{h}_R(\mathbf{k}_2) \hat{h}_R(\mathbf{k}_3) \rangle = (2\pi)^3 \delta \left(\sum_{i=1}^3 \mathbf{k}_i \right) B_h^{RRR}(k_1, k_2, k_3)$$

- $\Omega_A \ll 1$ is the energy density fraction of the gauge field
- **B_h/P_h^2 is of order unity for the vacuum contribution**
[Maldacena (2003); Maldacena & Pimentel (2011)]
- **Gaussianity offers a powerful test of whether the detected GW comes from the vacuum or sources**

NG generated at the tree level

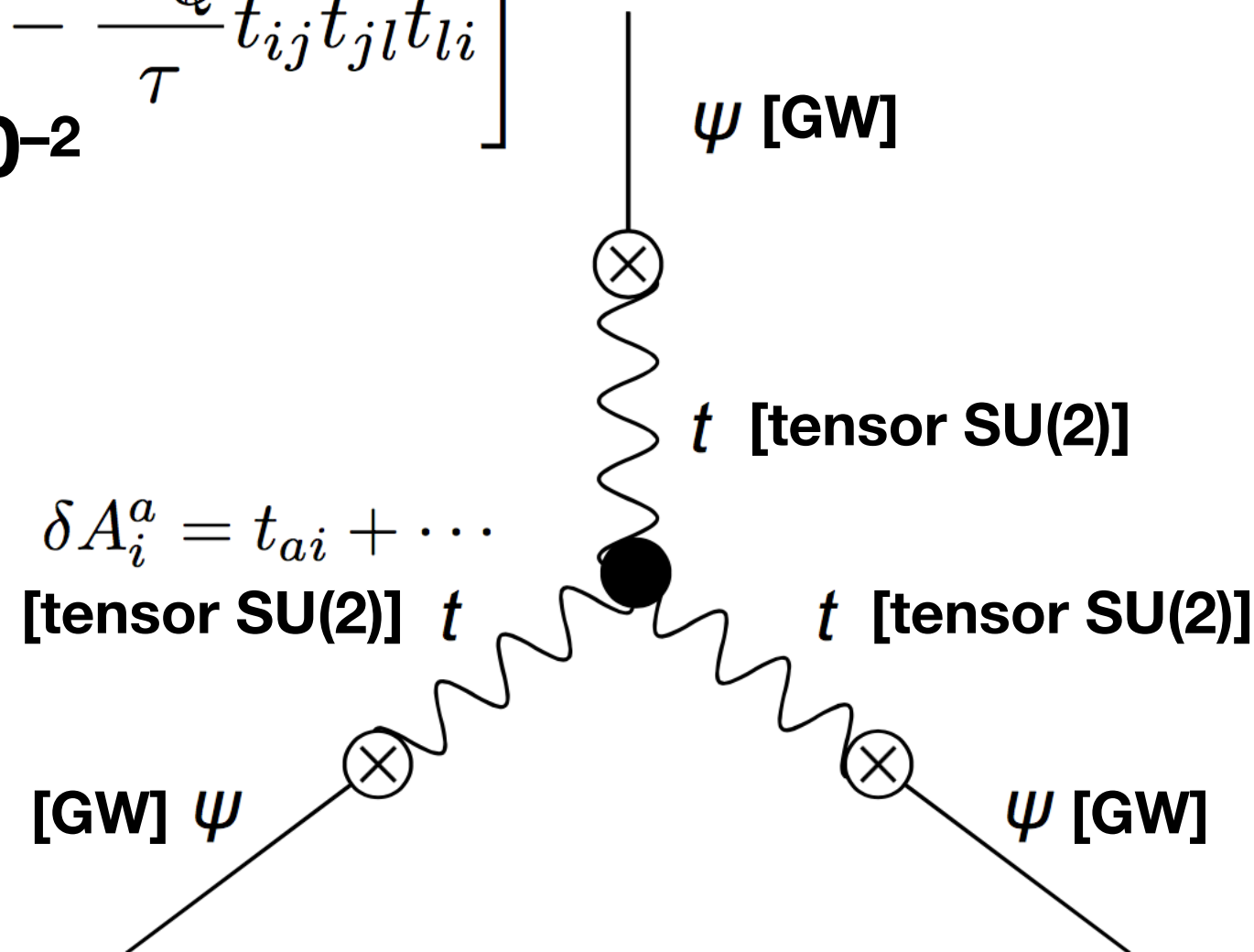
$$L_3^{(i)} = c^{(i)} \left[\epsilon^{abc} t_{ai} t_{bj} \left(\partial_i t_{cj} - \frac{m_Q^2 + 1}{3m_Q \tau} \epsilon^{ijk} t_{ck} \right) \right.$$

$$\left. - \frac{m_Q}{\tau} t_{ij} t_{jl} t_{li} \right] \\ c^{(i)} = g = m_Q^2 H / \sqrt{\epsilon_B} M_{\text{Pl}} \sim \mathbf{10^{-2}}$$

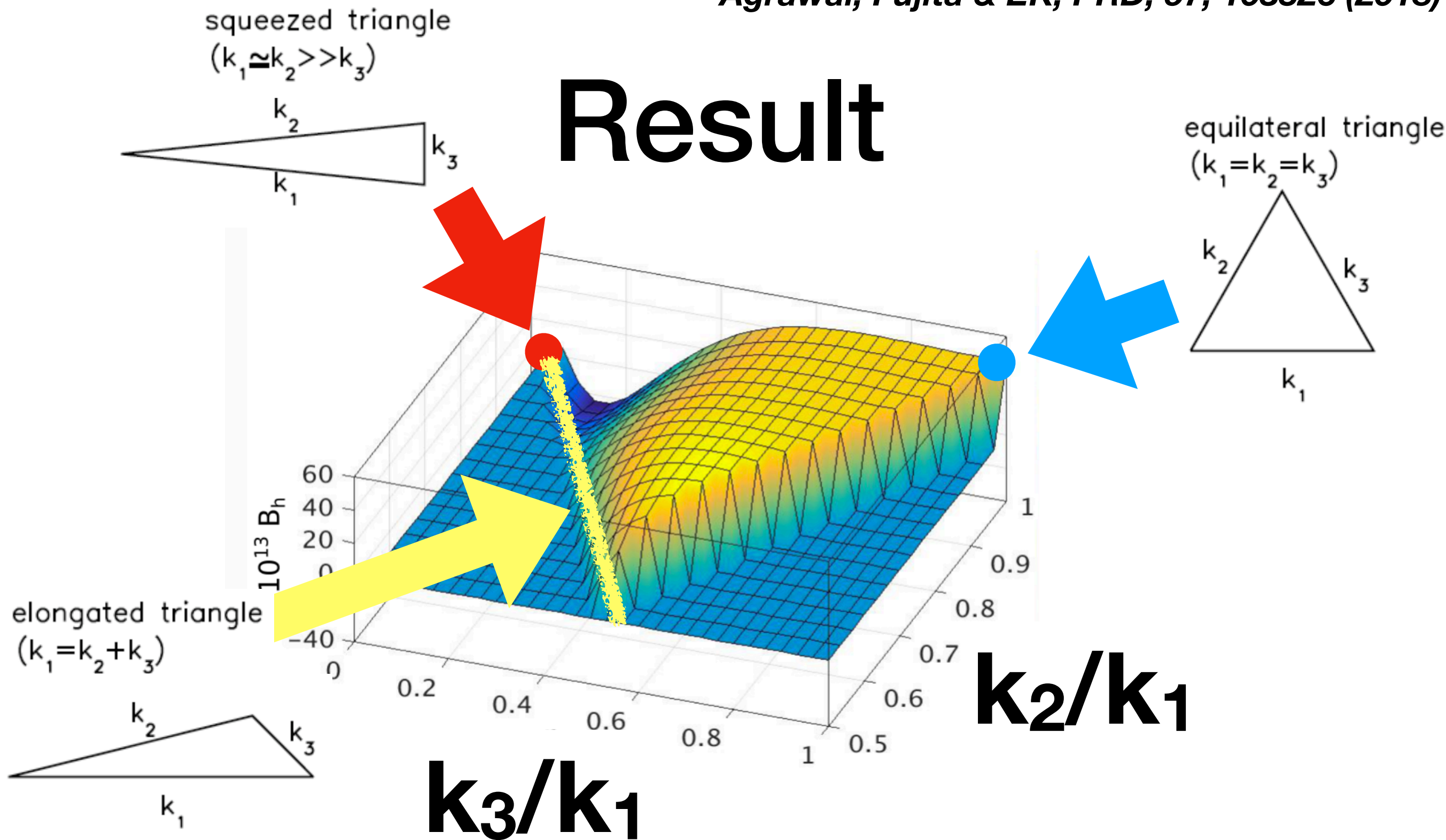
$$\epsilon_B \equiv \frac{g^2 Q^4}{H^2 M_{\text{Pl}}^2} \simeq \frac{2\Omega_A}{1 + m_Q^{-2}} \ll 1$$

$$m_Q \equiv gQ/H \quad [\mathbf{m_Q \sim a\ few}]$$

- This diagram generates second-order equation of motion for GW



Result



- This shape is similar to, but not exactly the same as, what was used by the Planck team to look for tensor bispectrum

Current Limit on Tensor NG

- The Planck team reported a limit on the tensor bispectrum in the following form:

$$f_{\text{NL}}^{\text{tens}} \equiv \frac{B_h^{+++}(k, k, k)}{F_{\text{scalar}}^{\text{equil.}}(k, k, k)}$$

- The denominator is the **scalar** equilateral bispectrum template, giving $F_{\text{scalar}}^{\text{equil.}}(k, k, k) = (18/5)P_{\text{scalar}}^2(k)$
- The current 68%CL constraint is $f_{\text{NL}}^{\text{tens}} = 400 \pm 1500$

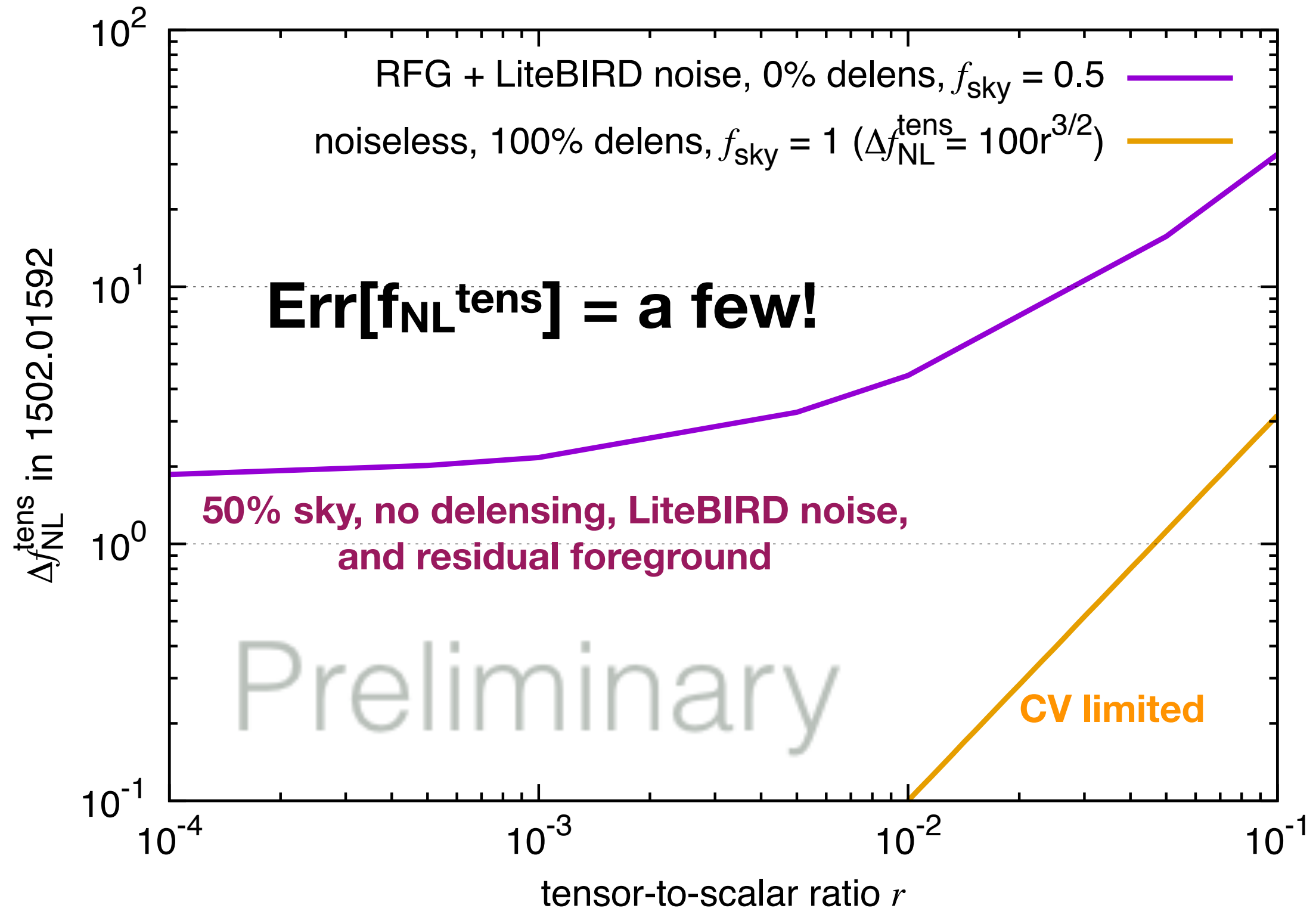
SU(2), confronted

- The SU(2) model of Dimastrogiovanni et al. predicts:

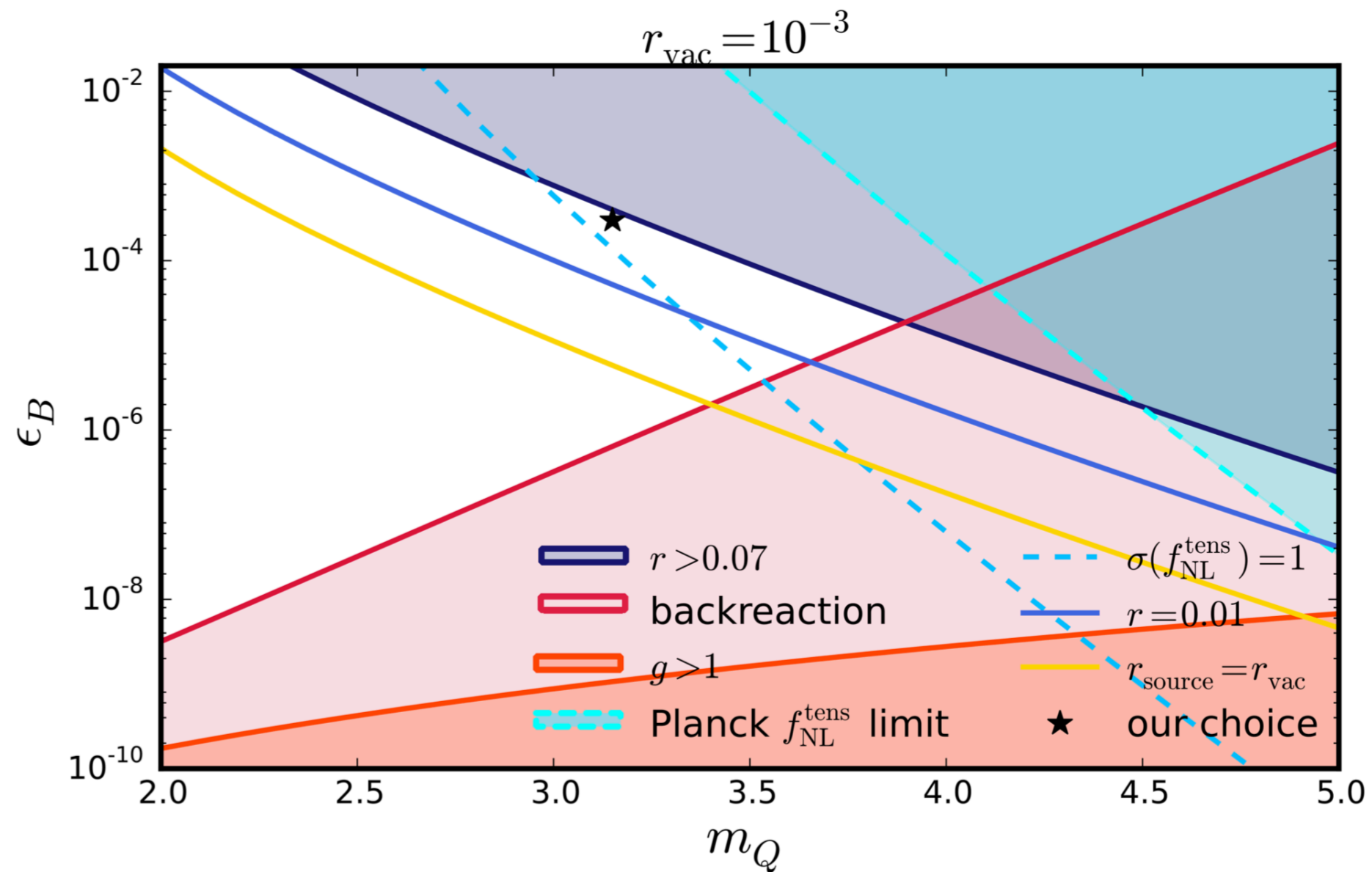
$$f_{\text{NL}}^{\text{tens}} \approx \frac{125}{18\sqrt{2}} \frac{r^2}{\epsilon_B} \approx 2.5 \frac{r^2}{\Omega_A}$$

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 - This is already constraining!

LiteBIRD would nail it!



Parameter Scan



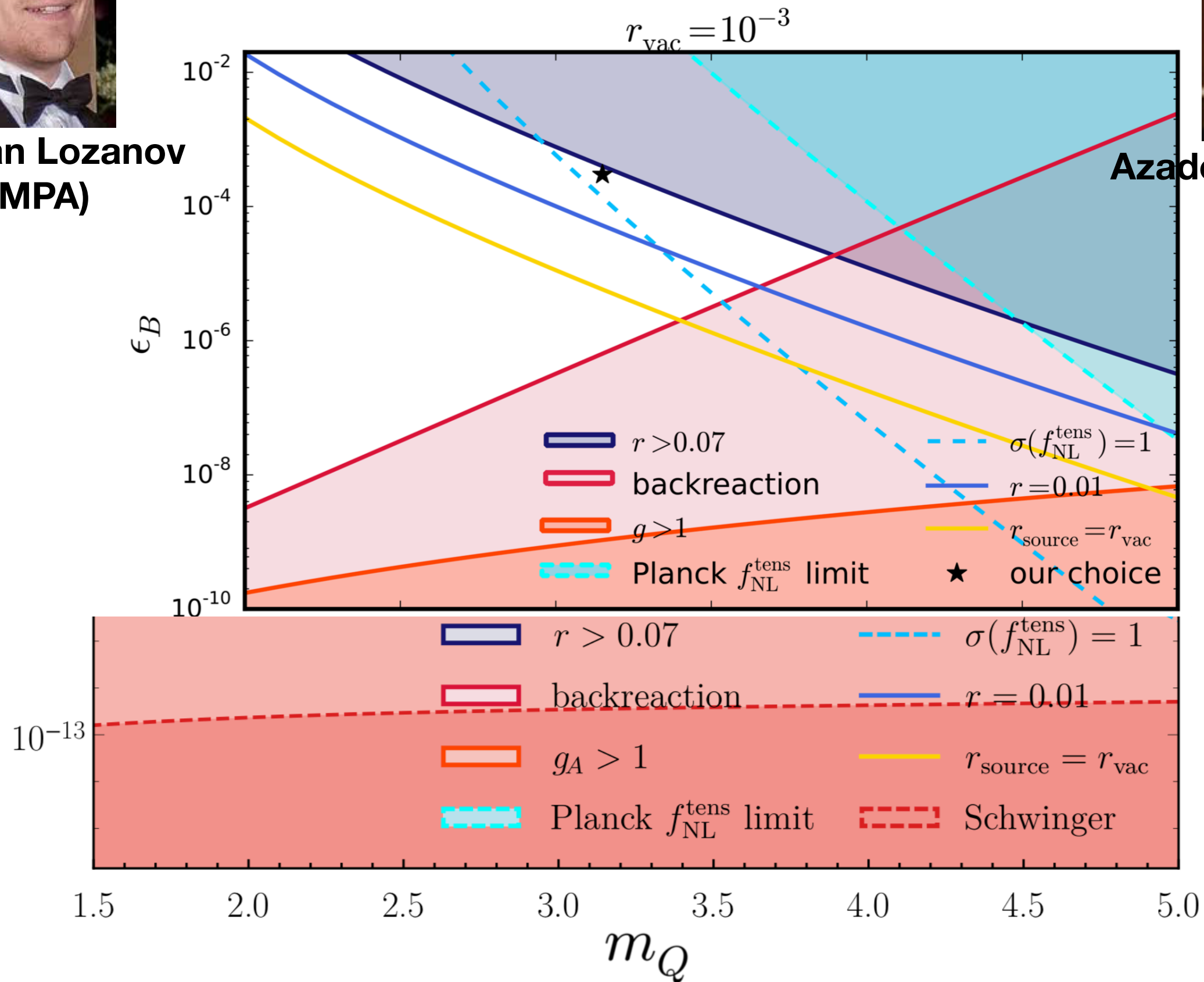
Schwinger Effect



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Contribution to ζ

$$\zeta = \frac{\sum_i \delta\rho_i}{3 \sum_i (\rho_i + P_i)} \approx \frac{\Omega_\phi \delta\rho_\phi / \rho_\phi + \Omega_\chi \delta\rho_\chi / \rho_\chi + \Omega_A \delta\rho_A / \rho_A}{2\epsilon}$$

- Most important channel: $A \rightarrow \chi \rightarrow \phi \rightarrow \zeta$

- Power spectrum of χ : $k^3 P_{\delta\chi}^{tt} / H^2 \approx g^2 (\Lambda/2)^2 e^{8m_Q}$
[$\Lambda = \lambda Q/f$]

This is
big!

- Power spectrum of ϕ :

$$k^3 P_{\delta\phi}^{tt} / H^2 \approx \epsilon_\phi \epsilon_\chi g^2 (\Lambda/2)^2 e^{8m_Q} \approx 7.5 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\epsilon_\phi = 10^{-4}, \epsilon_\chi = 10^{-8}, g = 10^{-2}, \text{ and } m_Q = 3.45$$

This is
small!

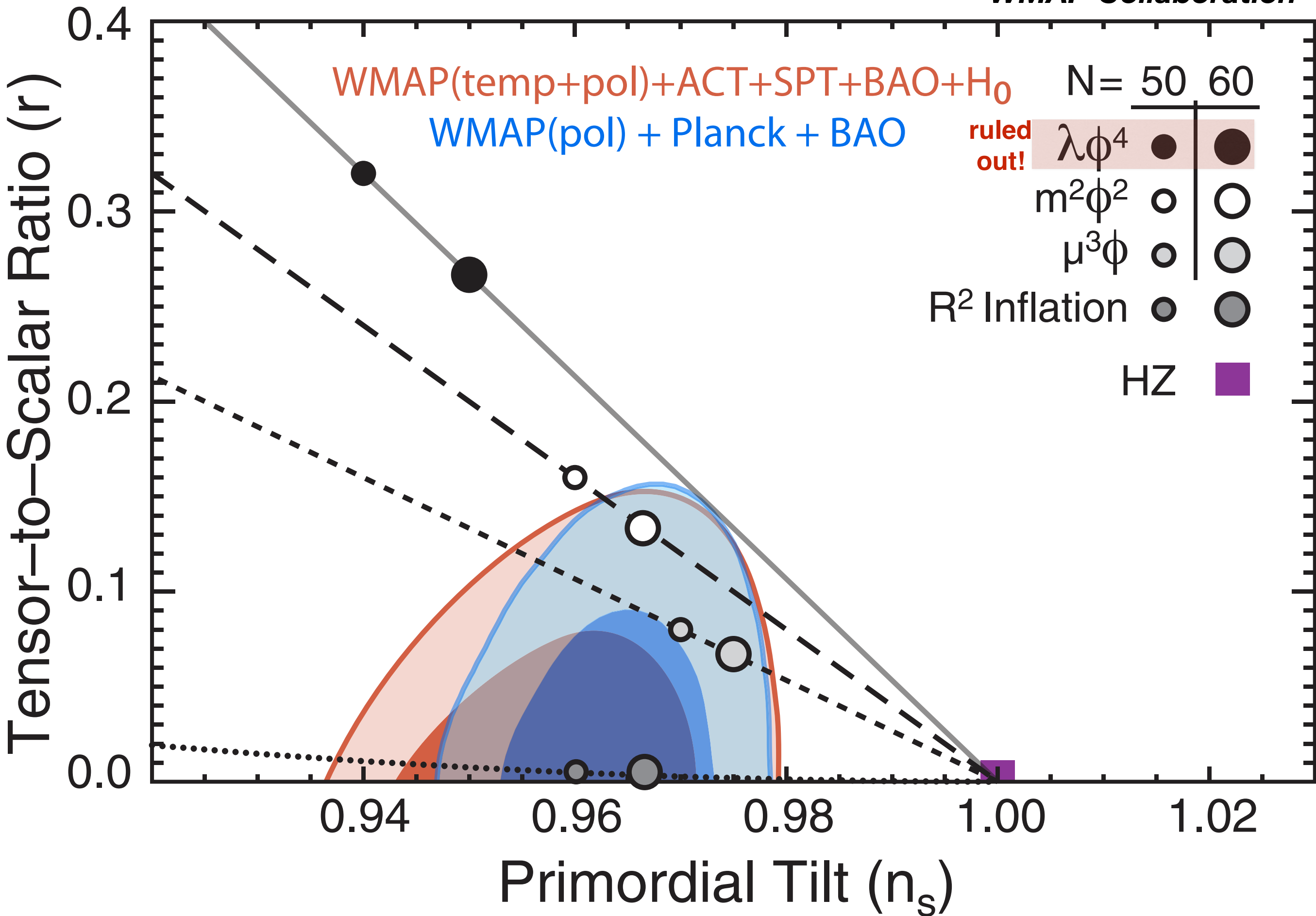
Experimental Landscape

Tensor-to-scalar Ratio

$$r \equiv \frac{\langle h_{ij} h^{ij} \rangle}{\langle \zeta^2 \rangle}$$

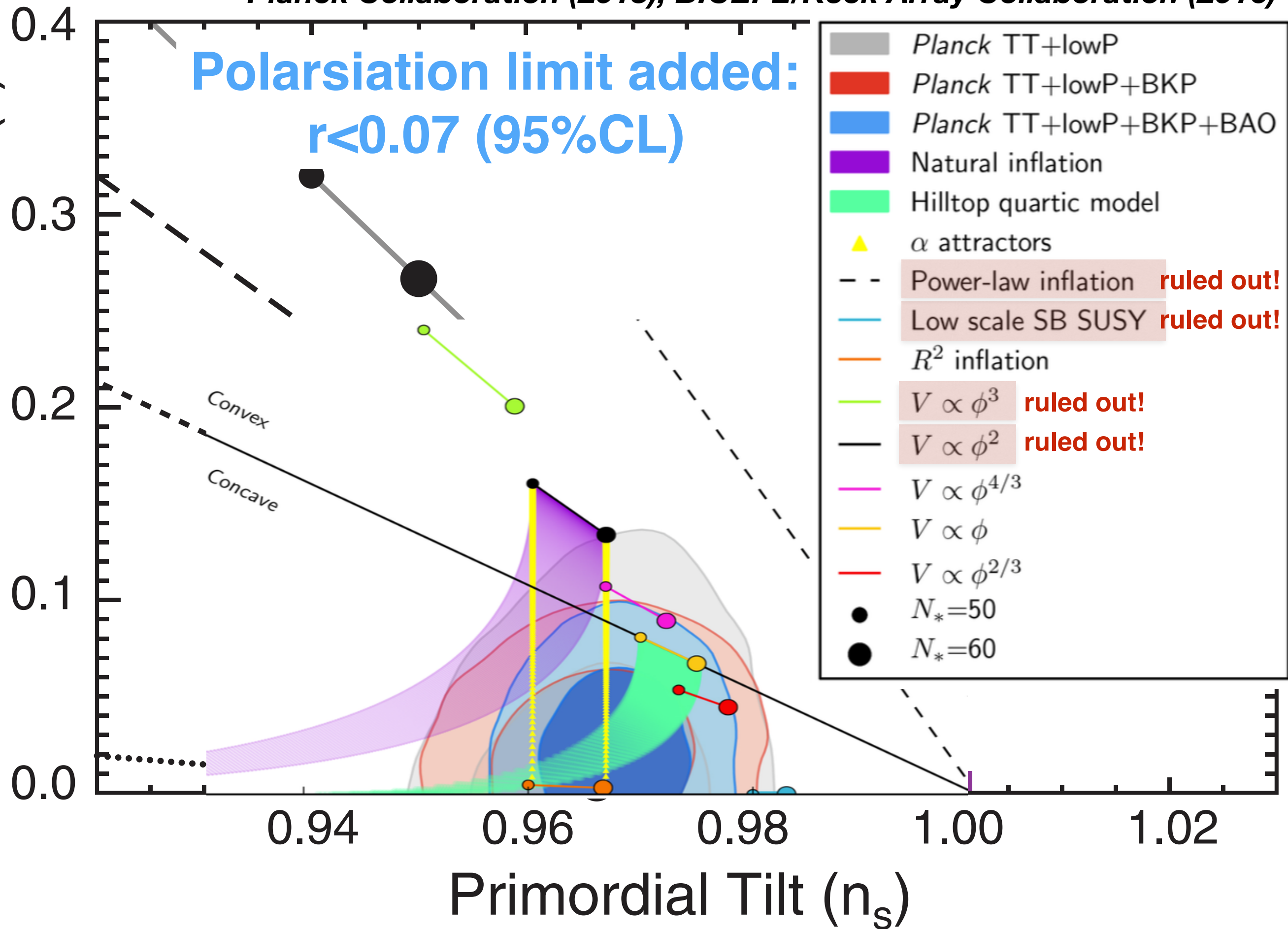
- We really want to find this! The current upper bound is **$r < 0.06$** (95%CL)

BICEP2/Keck Array Collaboration (2018)



Tensor-to-Scalar Ratio (r)

Polarisation limit added:
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Planck Collaboration (2015); BICEP2/Keck Array Collaboration (2016)

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- Planck TT+lowP
- Planck TT+lowP+BKP
- Planck TT+lowP+BKP+BAO
- Natural inflation
- Hilltop quartic model
- α attractors

Planck TT+ τ prior+lensing+BAO

+BK15

2018

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BICEP2/Keck Array
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Primordial Tilt (n_s)

Convex

Concave

Convex
Concave

$N=50$
 $N=60$

ϕ^2

ϕ

Power-law inflation ruled out!

scale SB SUSY ruled out!

inflation

ϕ^3 ruled out!

ϕ^2 ruled out!

$\phi^{4/3}$

ϕ

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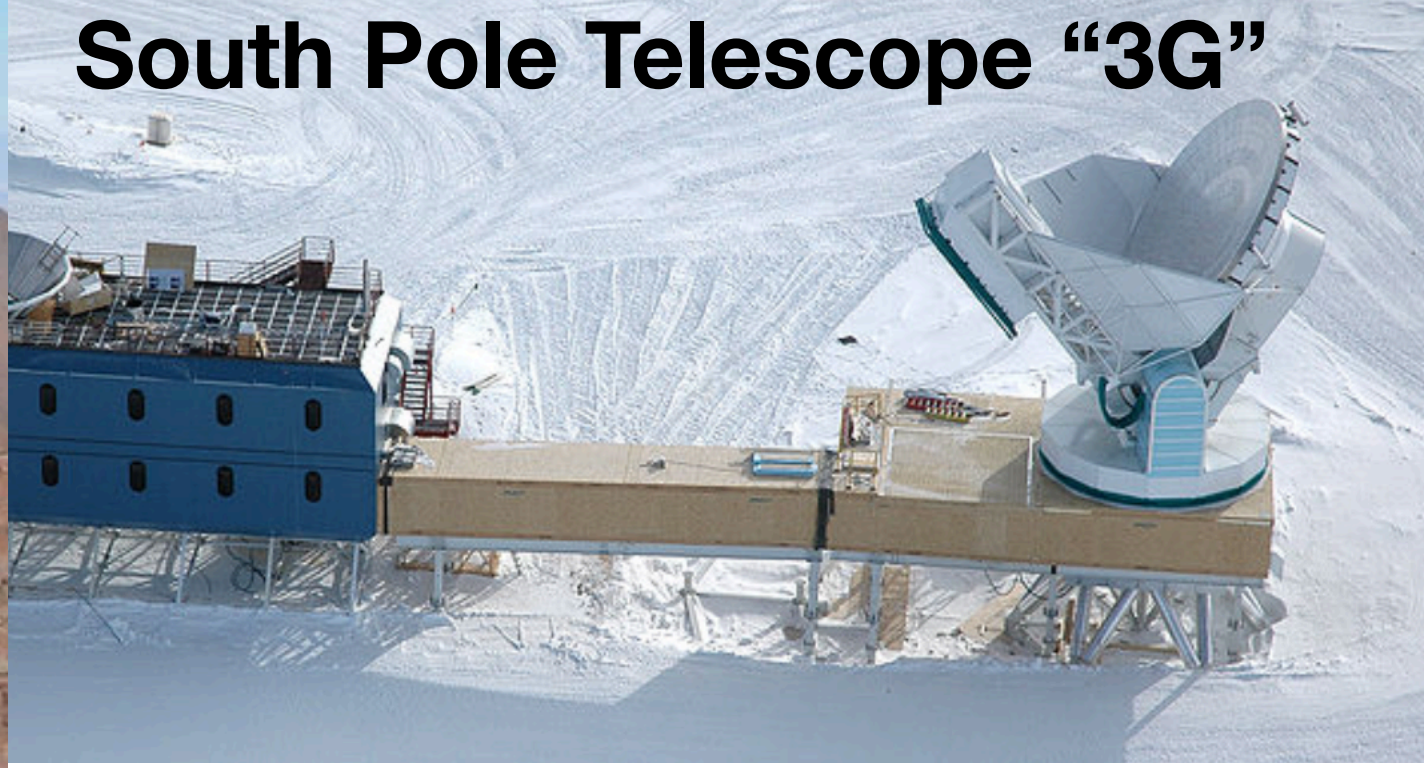
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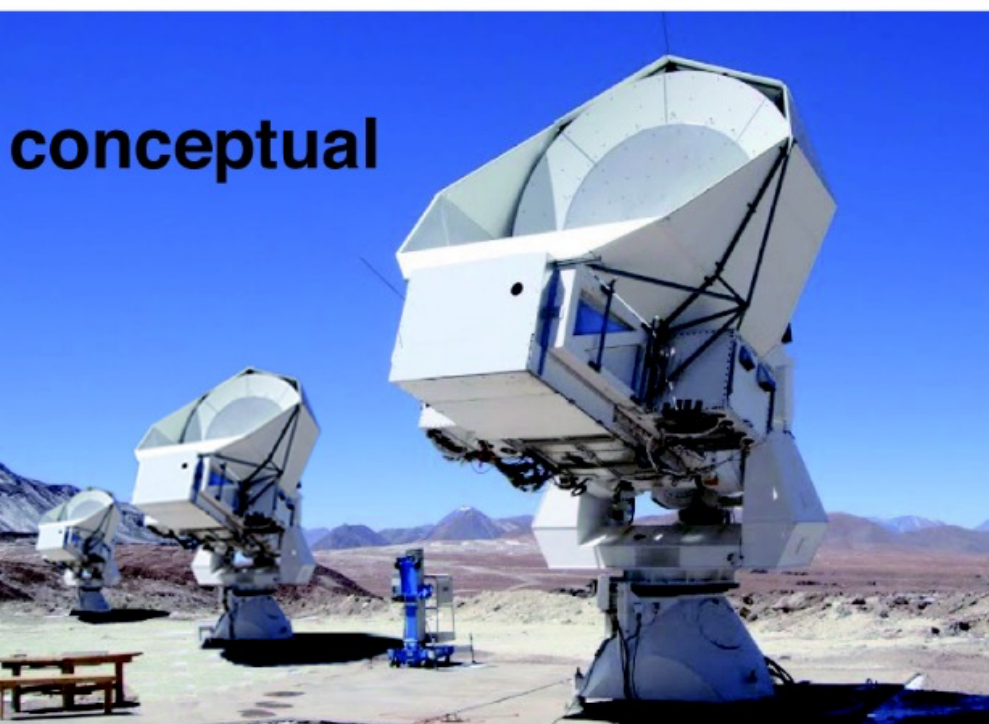


South Pole Telescope “3G”



What comes next?

The Simons Array



conceptual

BICEP/Keck Array



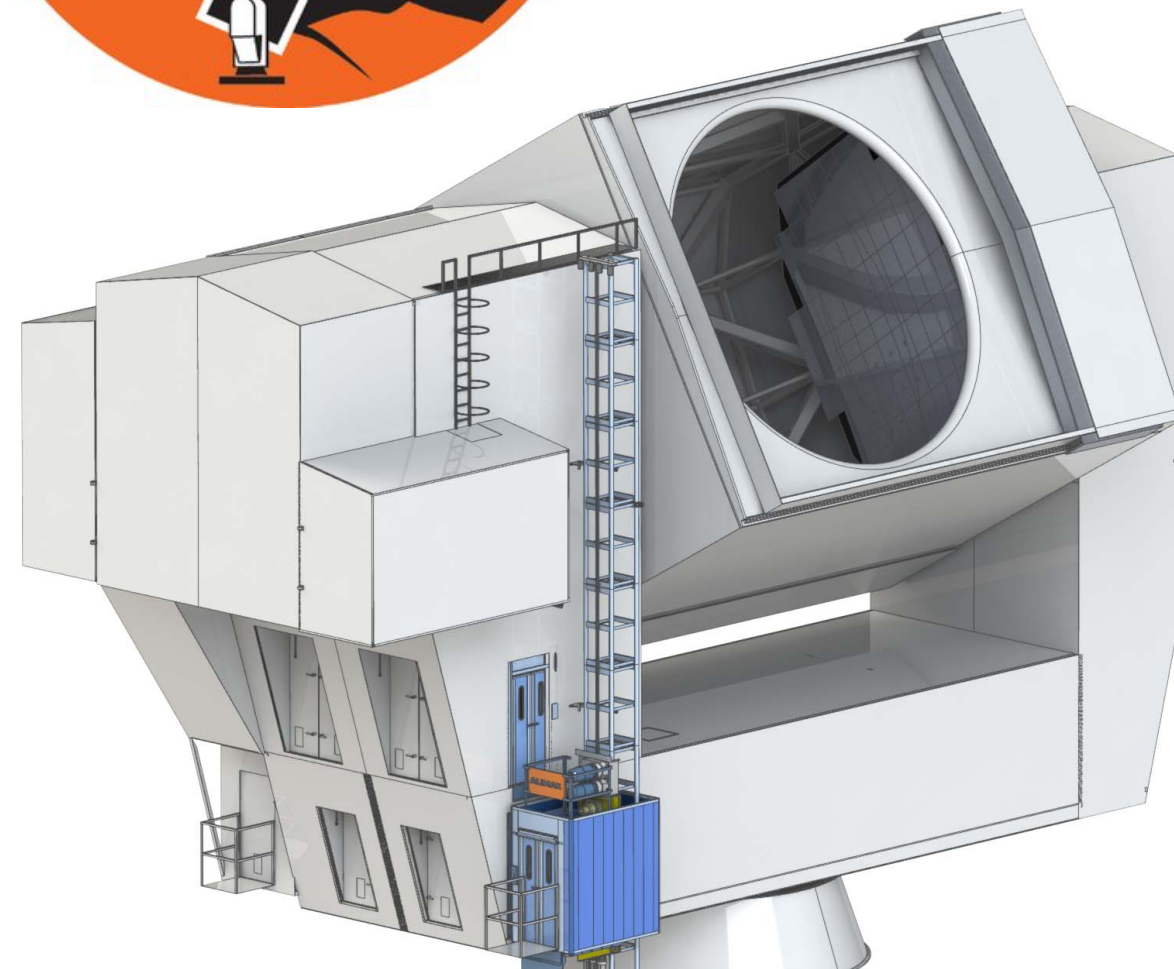
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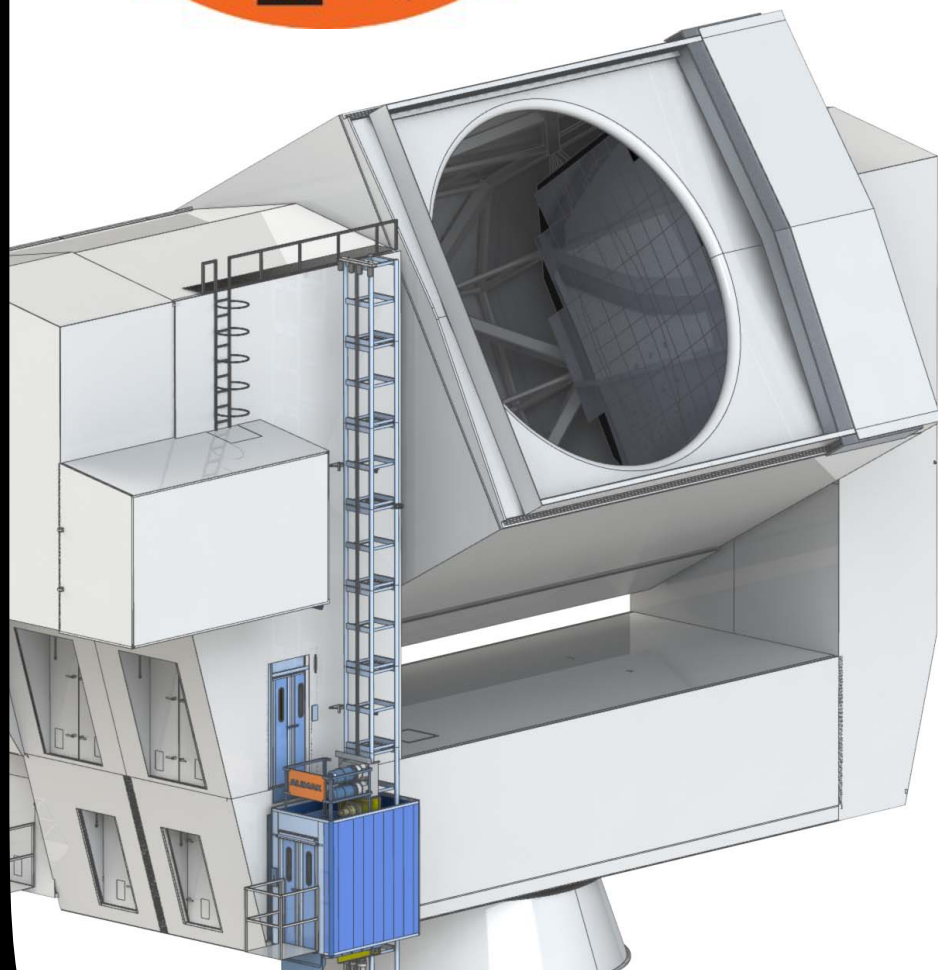
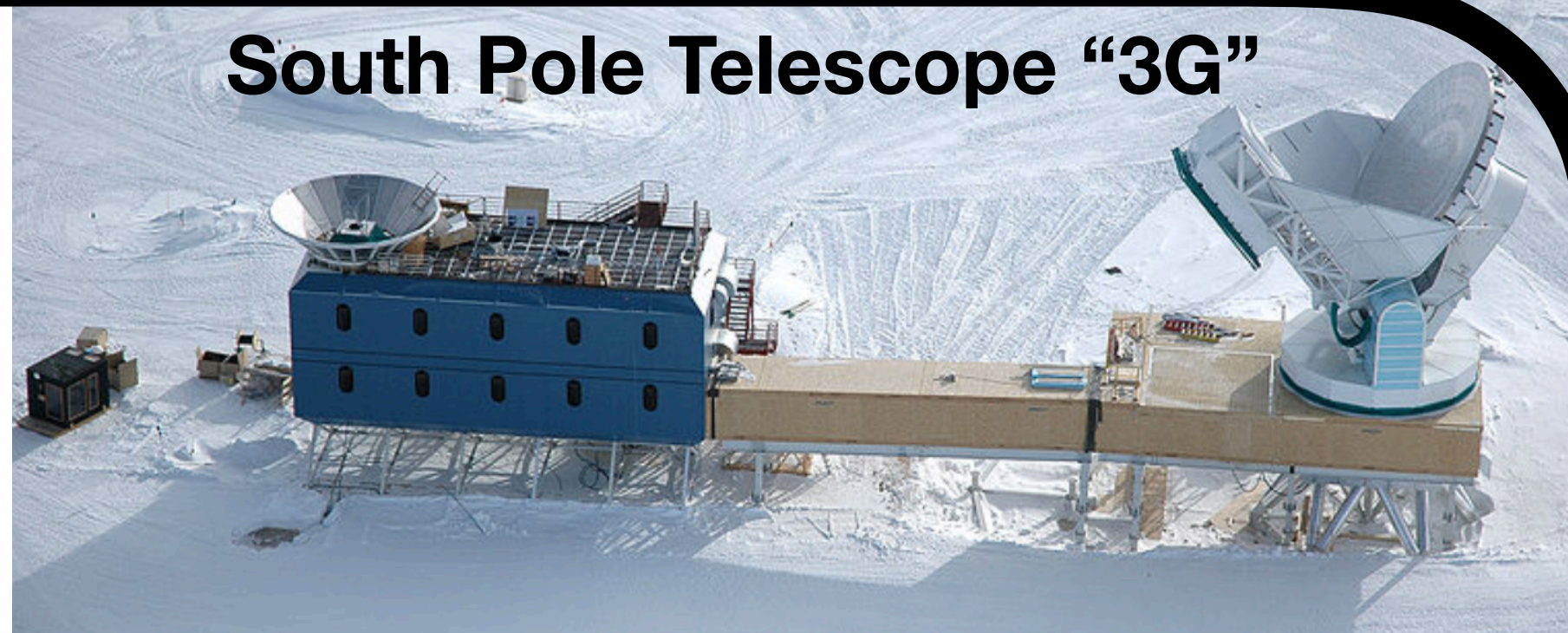


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The Simons Array





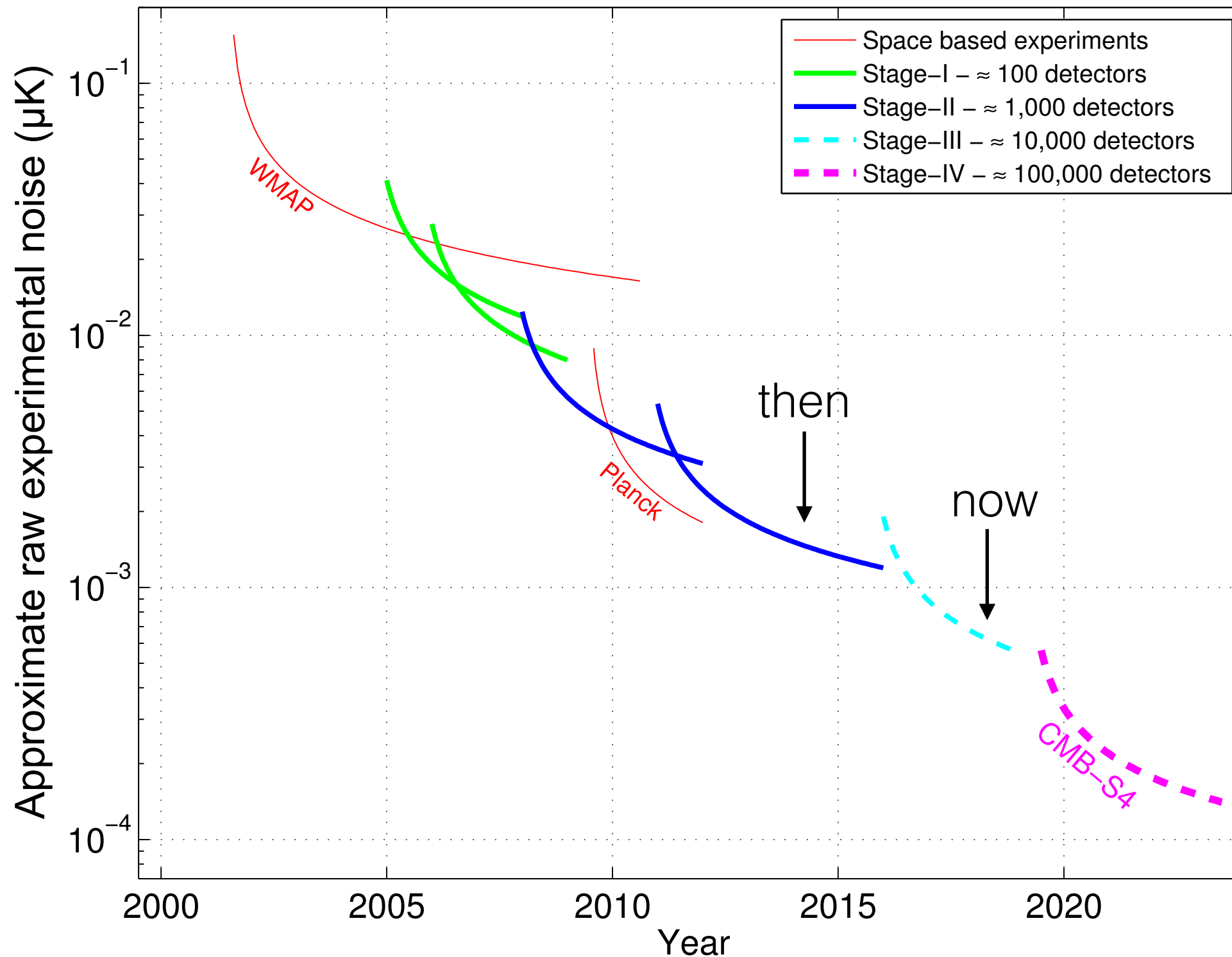
CMB-S4(?)



CMB-S4

Next Generation CMB Experiment

CMB Stages



The Biggest Enemy: Polarised Dust Emission

- The upcoming data will **NOT** be limited by statistics, but by systematic effects such as the Galactic contamination
- **Solution**: Observe the sky at multiple frequencies, especially at high frequencies (>300 GHz)
- This is challenging, unless we have a superb, high-altitude site with low water vapour
- CCAT-p!

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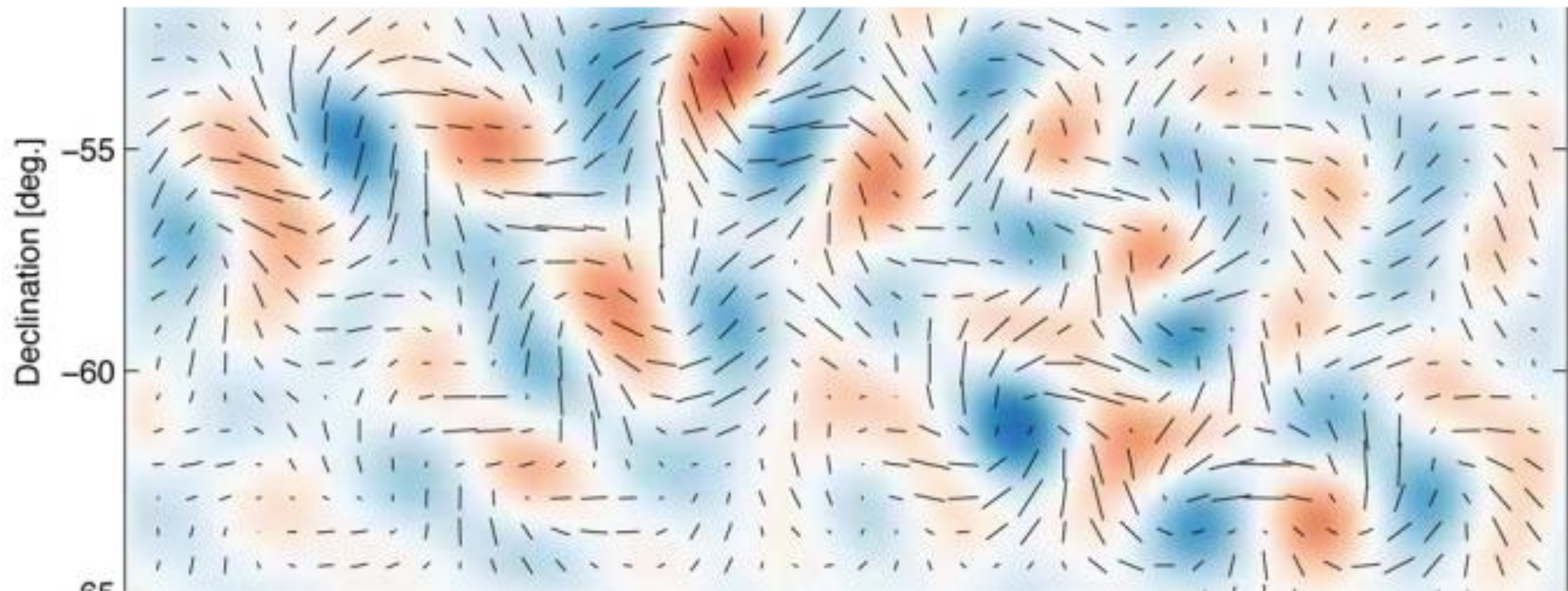
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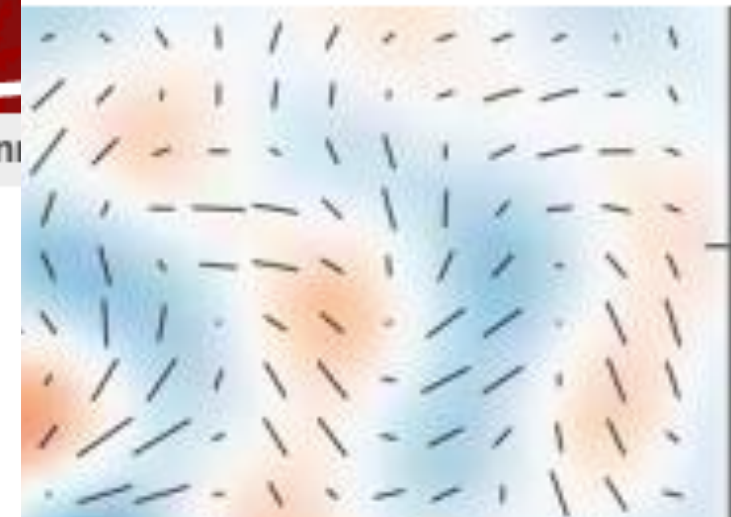
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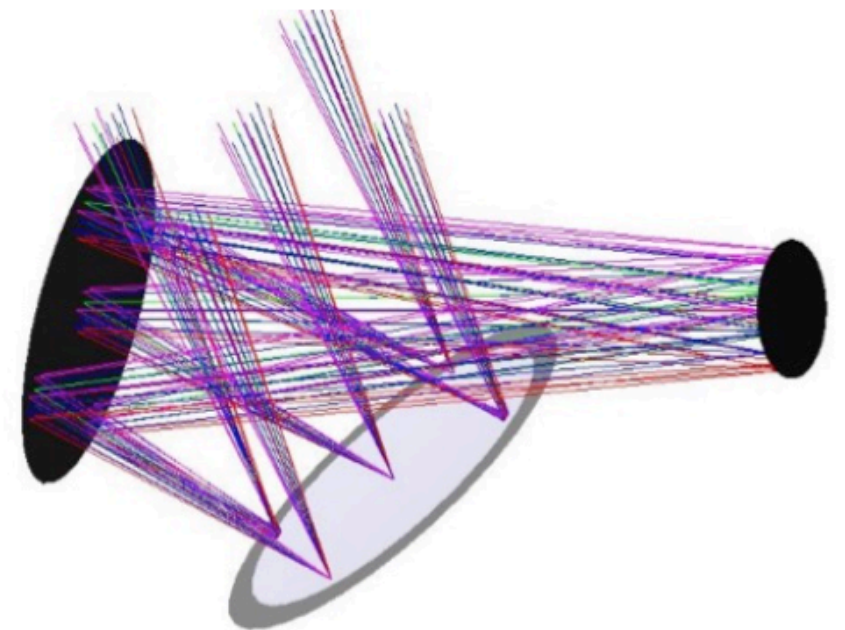
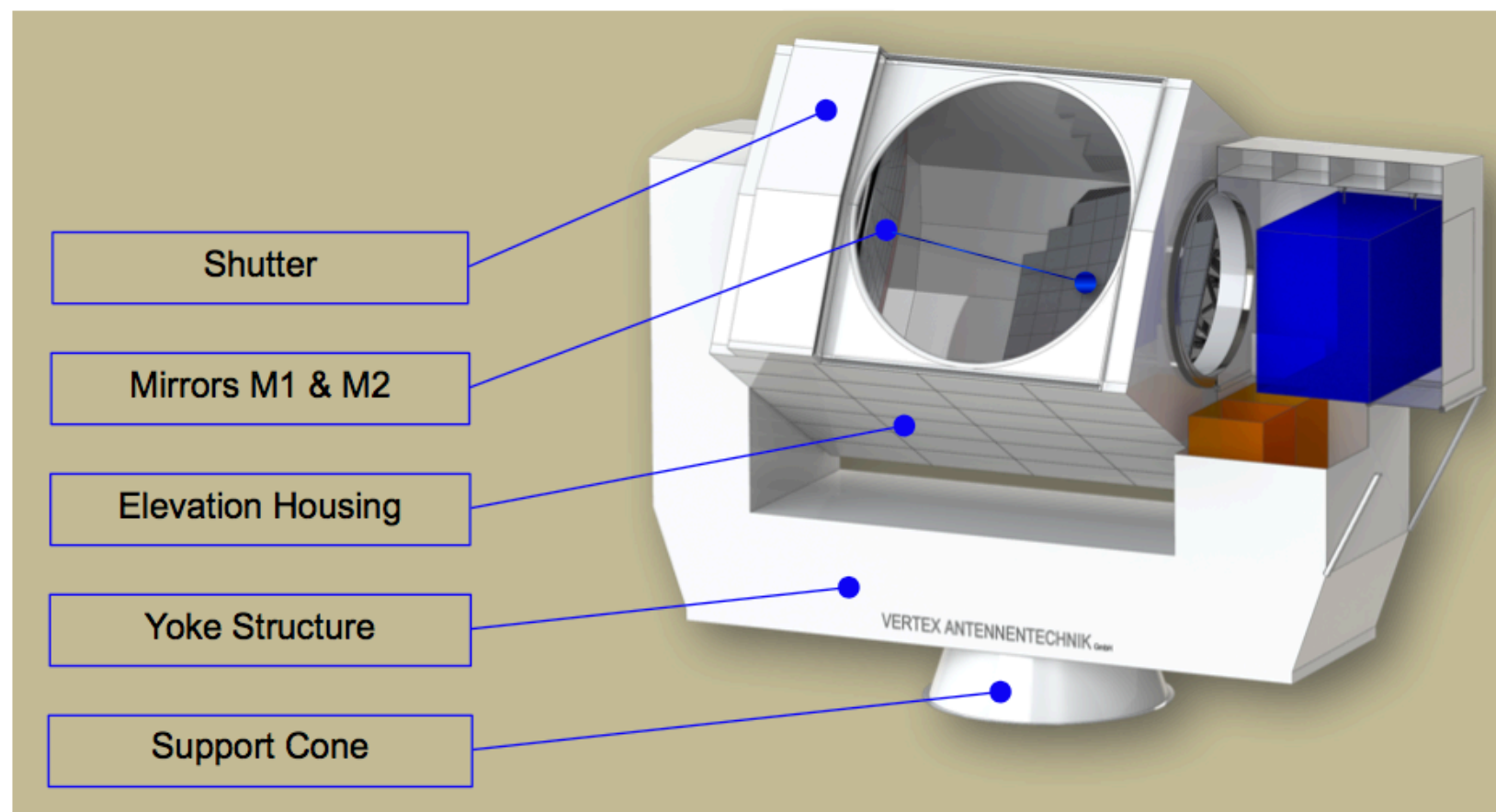
Urknall-Forscher gestehen Irrtum ein

Von Marlene Weiß



What is CCAT-p?

CCAT-prime is a high surface accuracy /
throughput 6 m submm (0.3-3mm) telescope



Cornell U. + German consortium + Canadian consortium + ...

Frank Bertoldi's slide from the Florence meeting

Where is CCAT-p?

Cerro Chajnantor at 5600 m w/ TAO



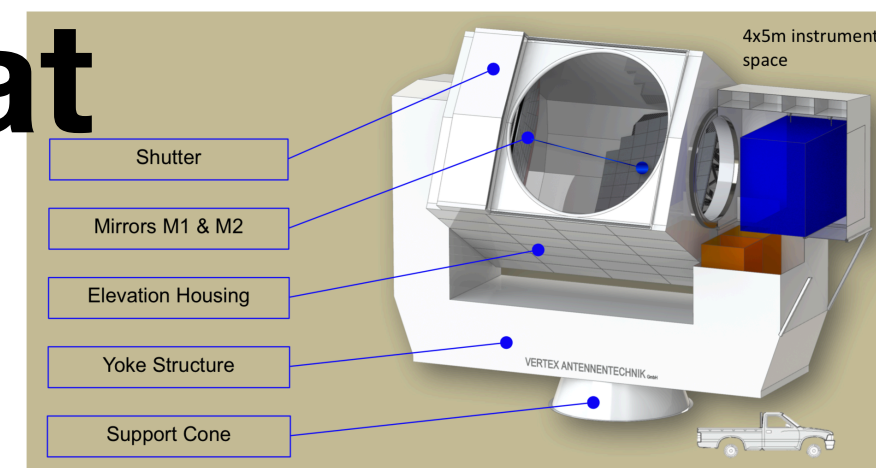
A Game Changer

- **CCAT-p**: 6-m, **Cross-dragone** design, on Cerro Chajnantor (5600 m)

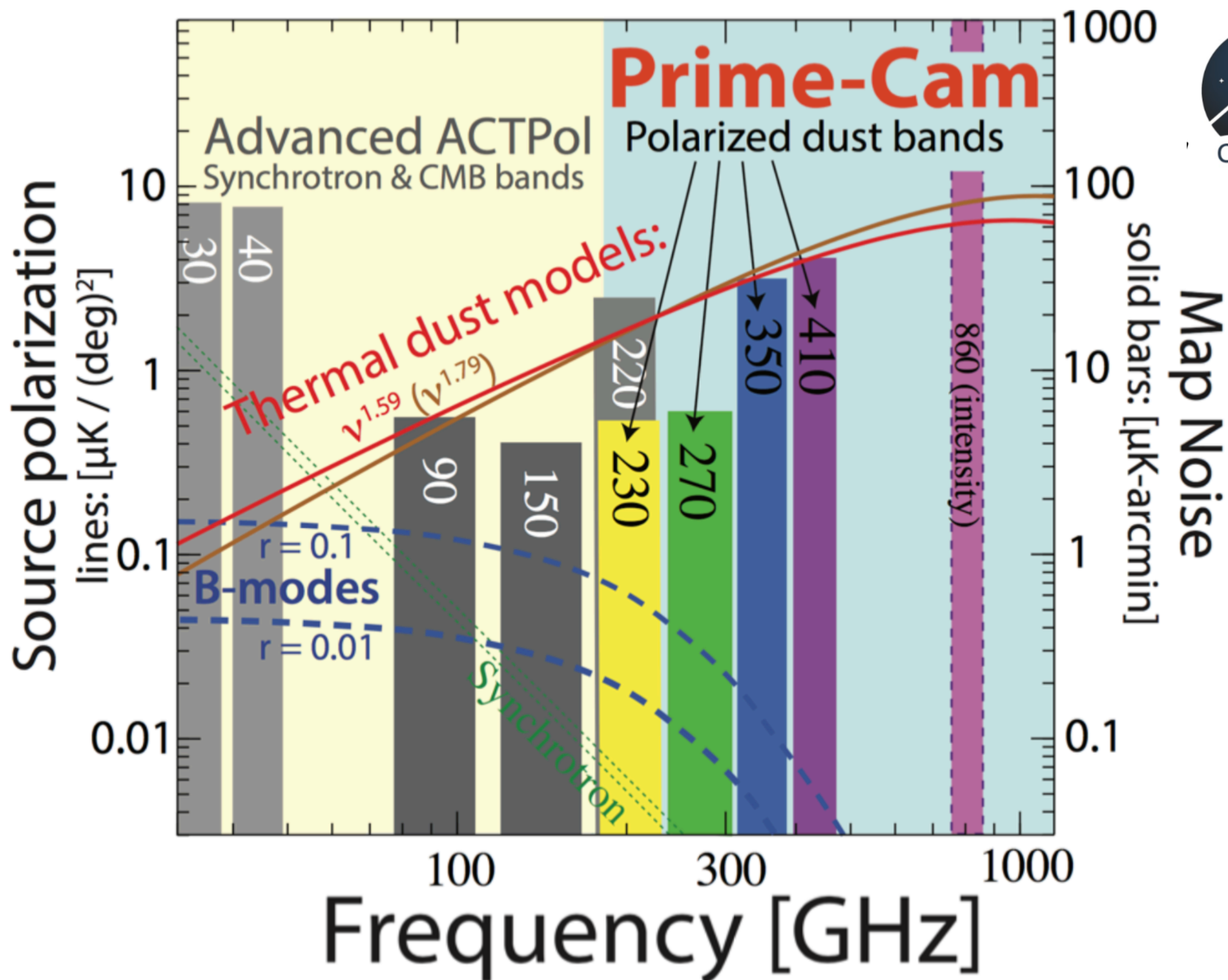
- **Germany makes great telescopes!**

CCAT-prime

designed and built by Vertex Antennentechnik GmbH, Duisburg

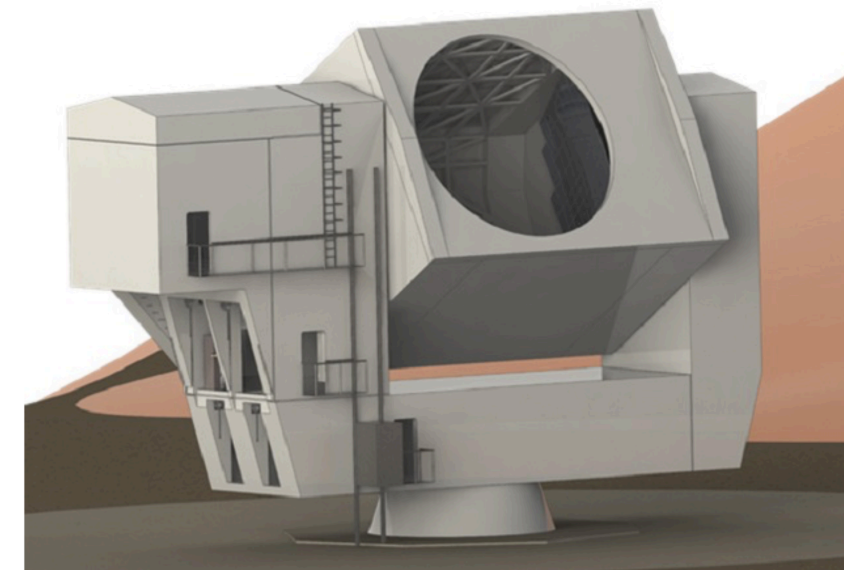
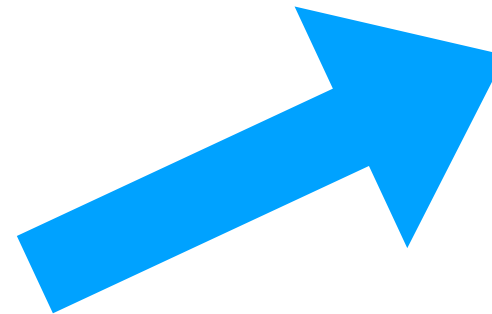
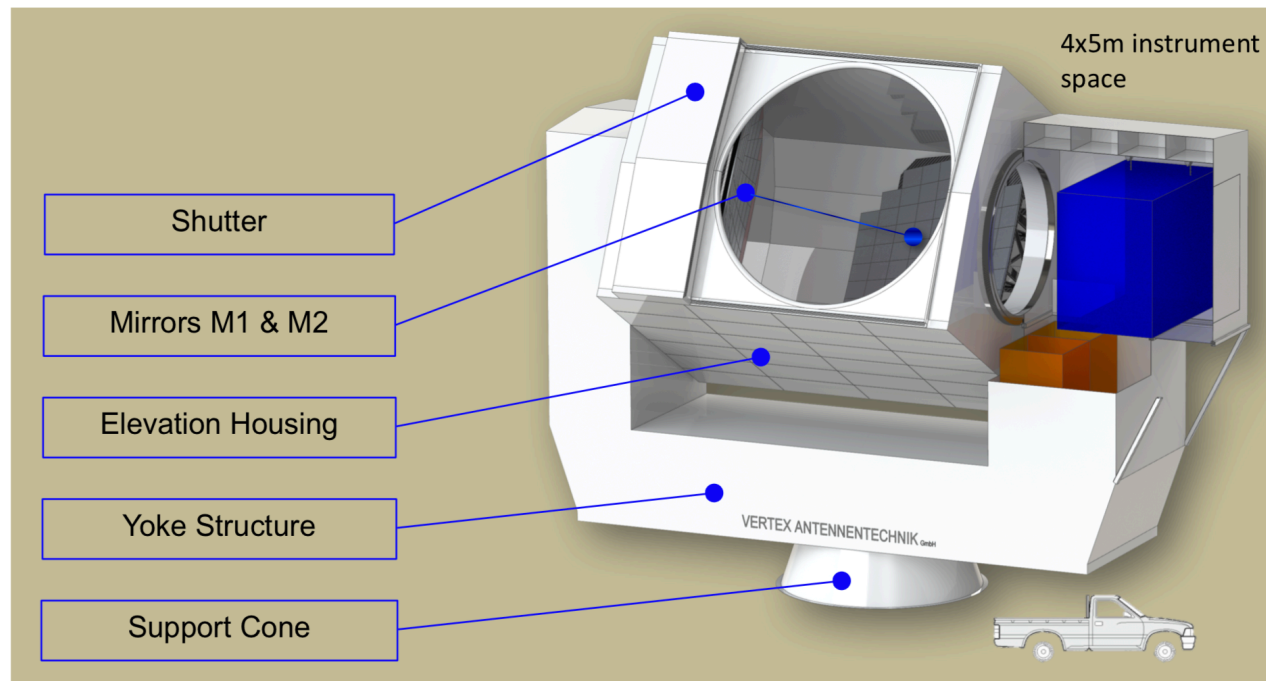


- Design study completed, and the contract has been signed by “VERTEX Antennentechnik GmbH”
 - CCAT-p is a great opportunity for Germany to make significant contributions towards the CMB S-4 landscape (both US and Europe) by providing telescope designs and the “lessons learned” with prototypes.



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A rendering of the unique and powerful radio telescope. Image courtesy of VERTEX ANTENNENTECHNIK.

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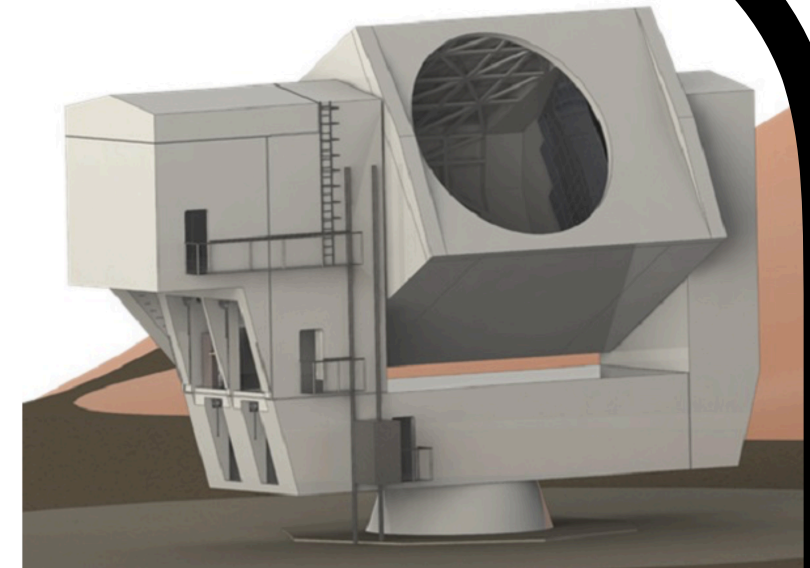
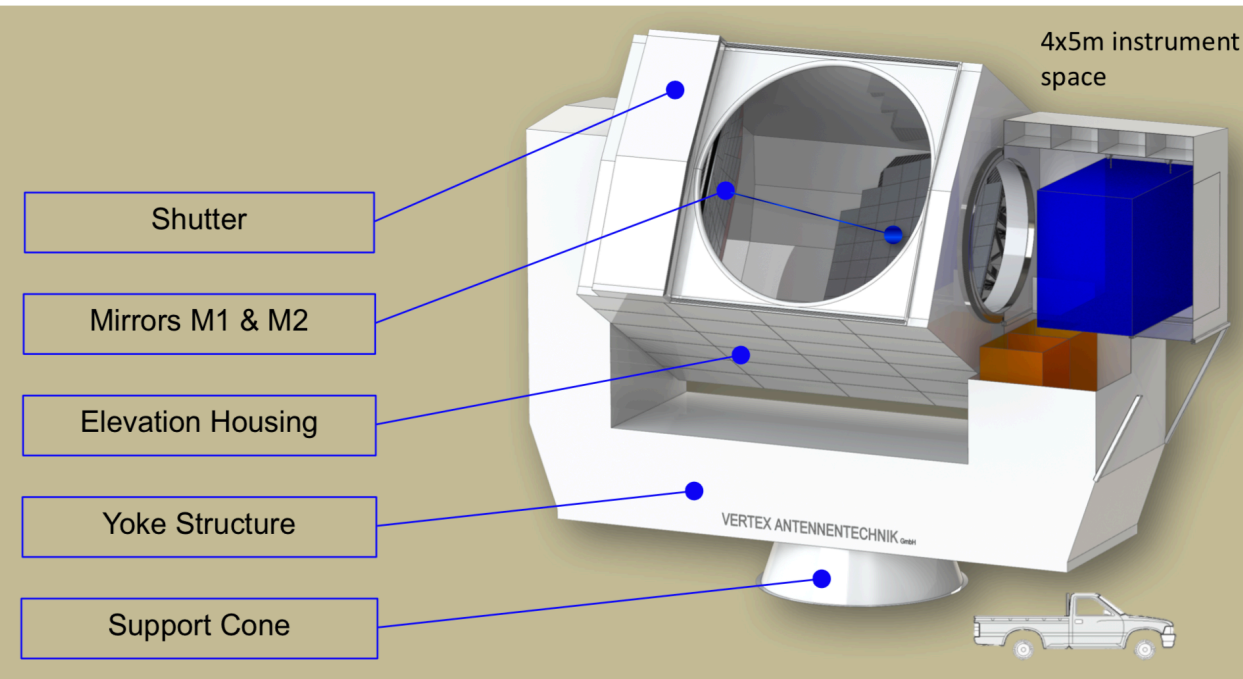


South Pole?

This could be “CMB-S4”

CCAT-prime

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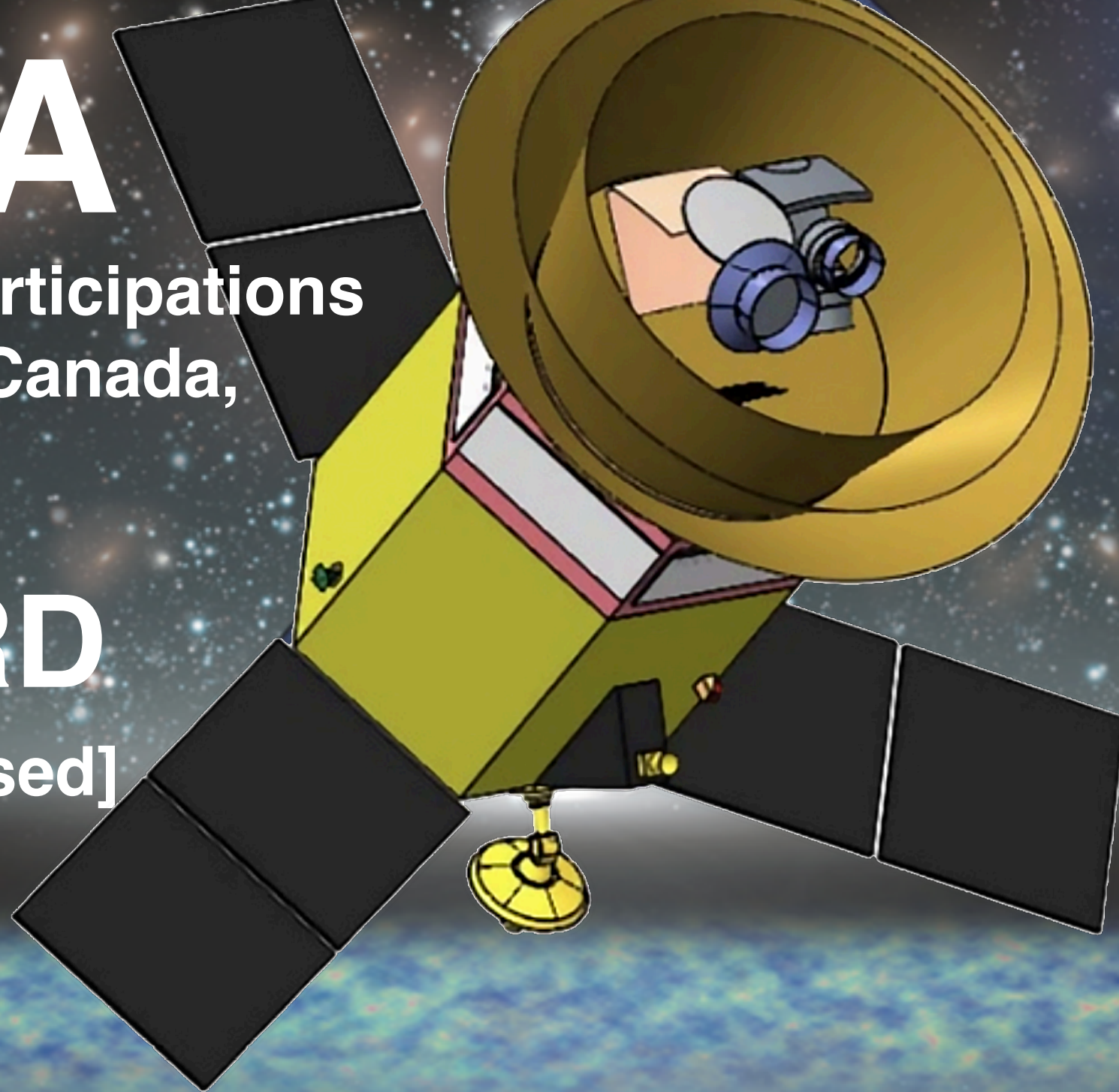
**To have even more
frequency coverage...**

JAXA

+ possible participations
from USA, Canada,
Europe

LiteBIRD

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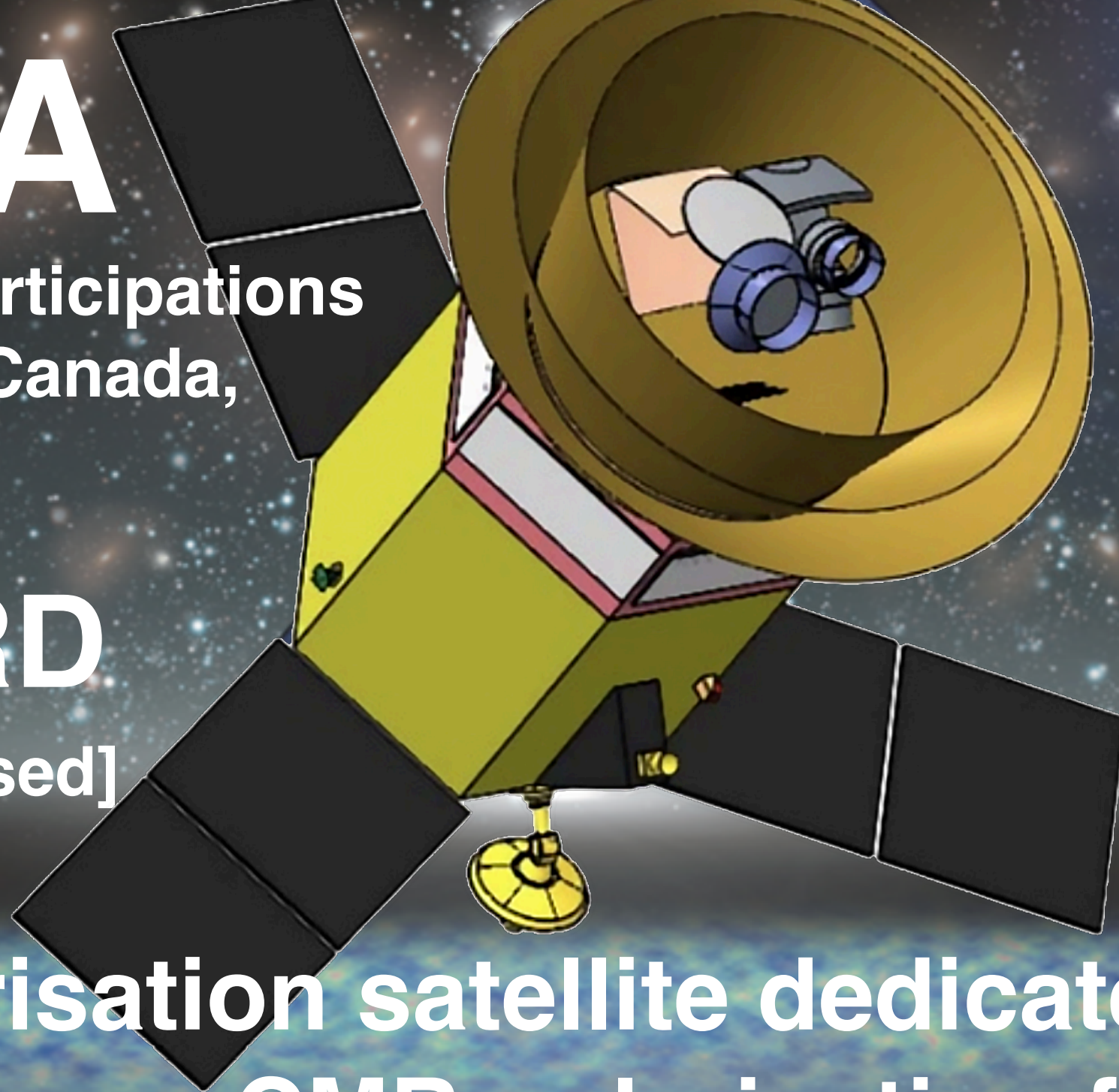
Target: $\delta r < 0.001$ (68%CL)

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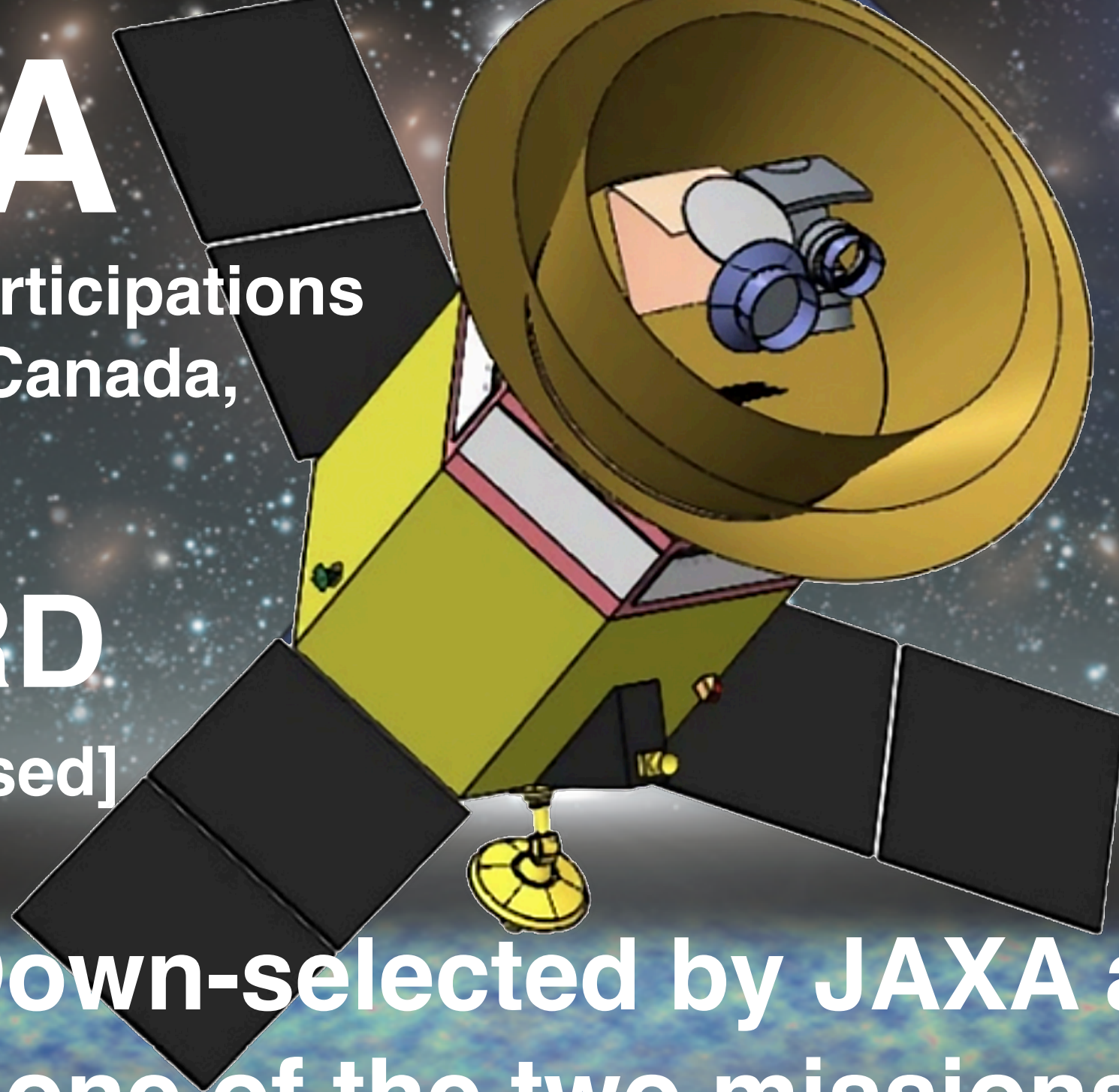
**Polarisation satellite dedicated to
measure CMB polarisation from
primordial GW, with a few thousand
super-conducting detectors in space**

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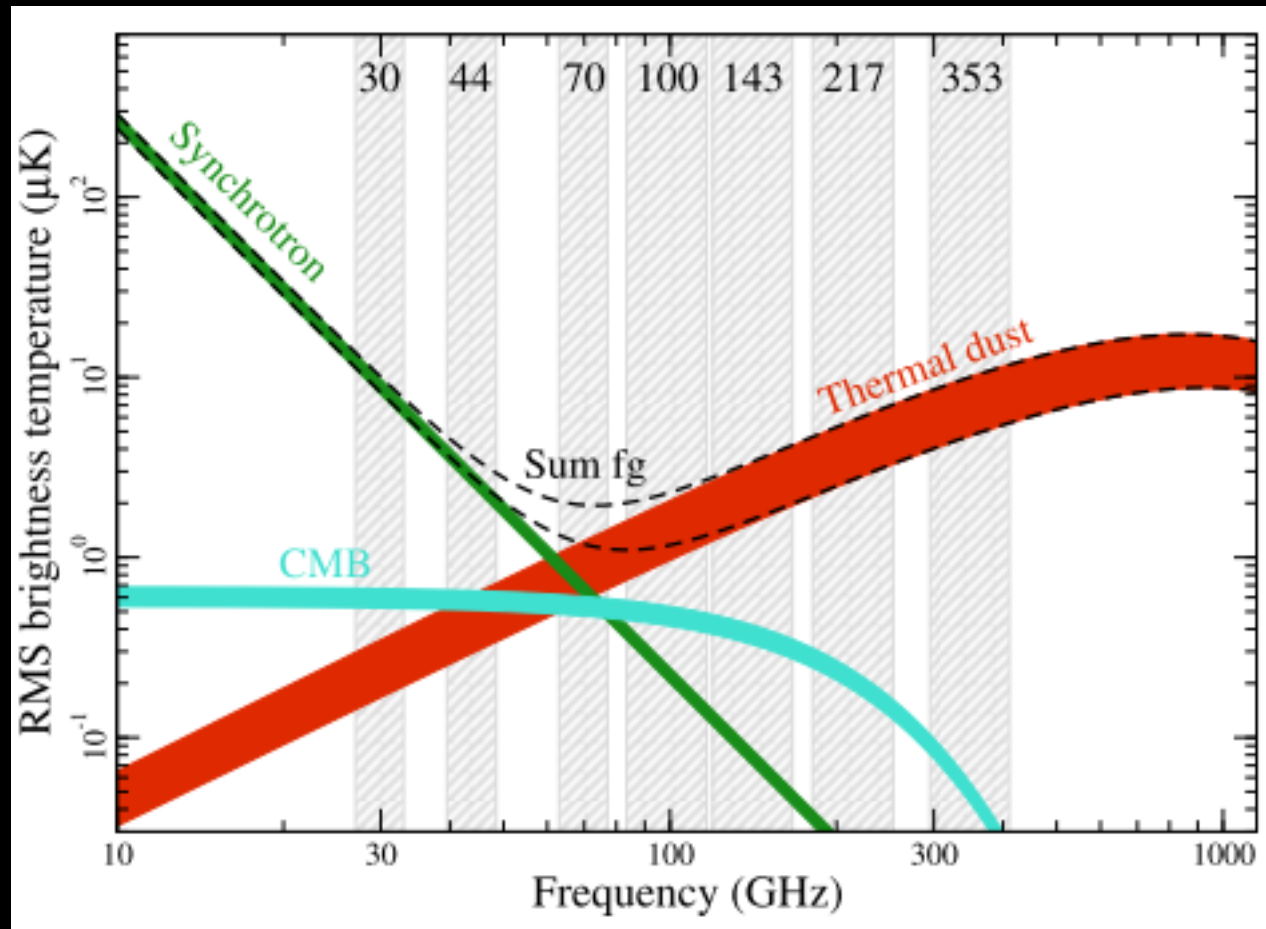
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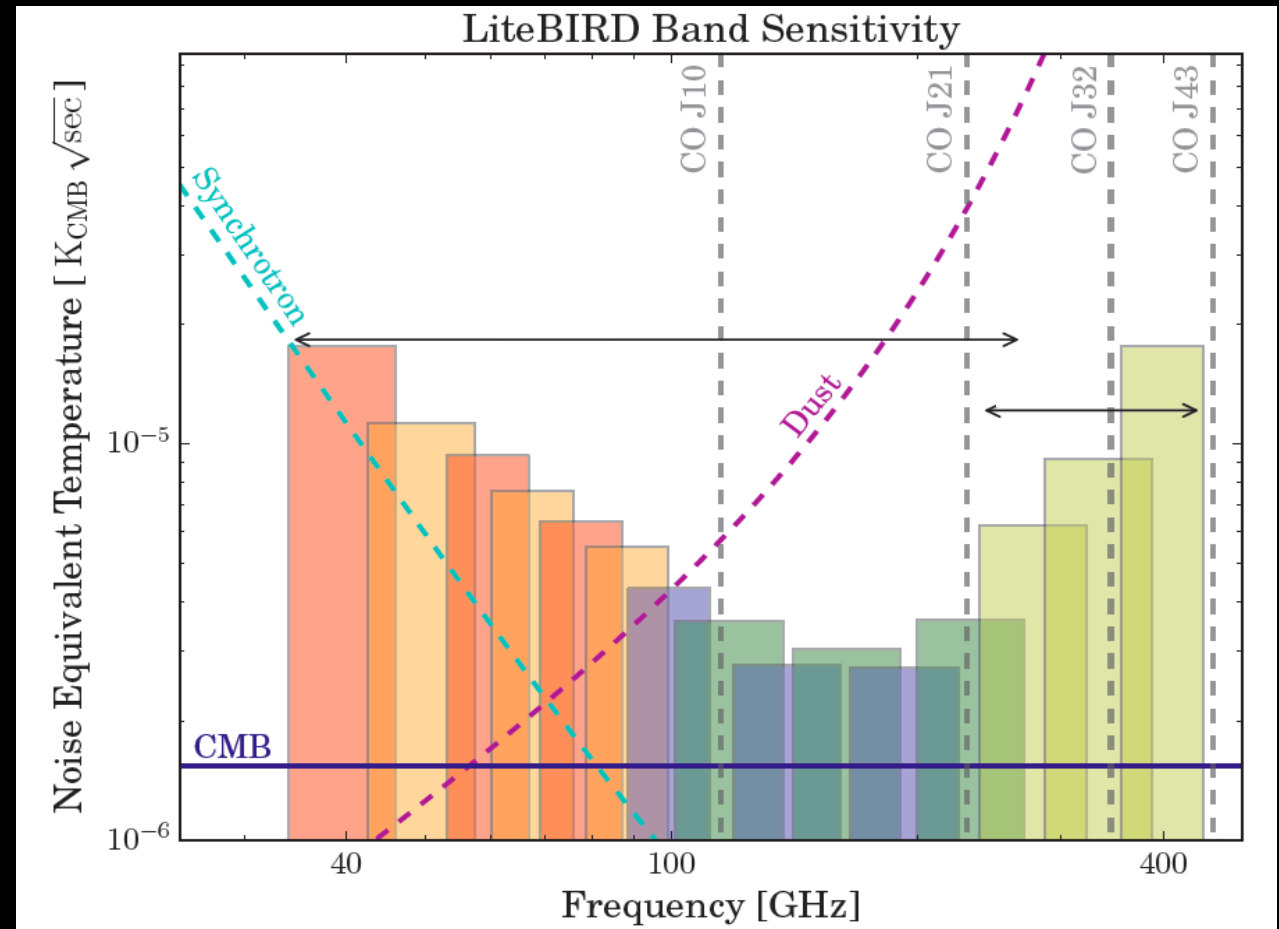


Down-selected by JAXA as
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competing for a launch in mid 2020's

Foreground Removal



Polarized galactic emission (Planck X)

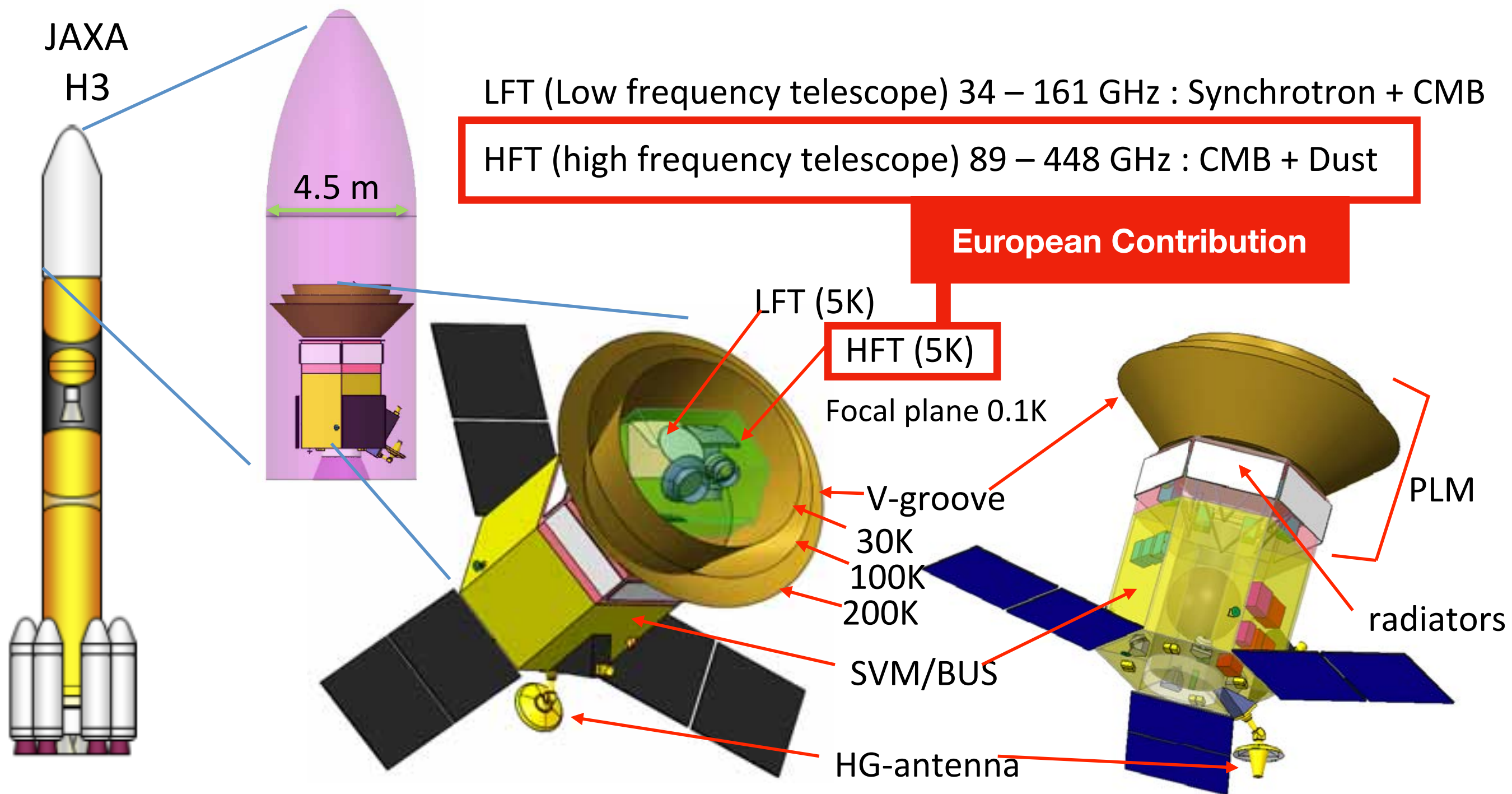
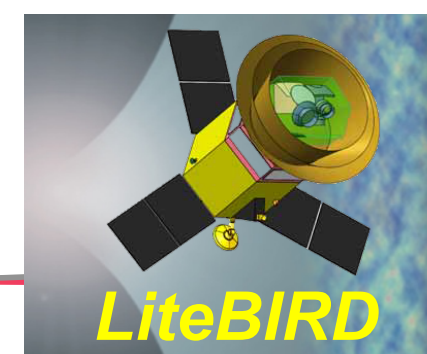


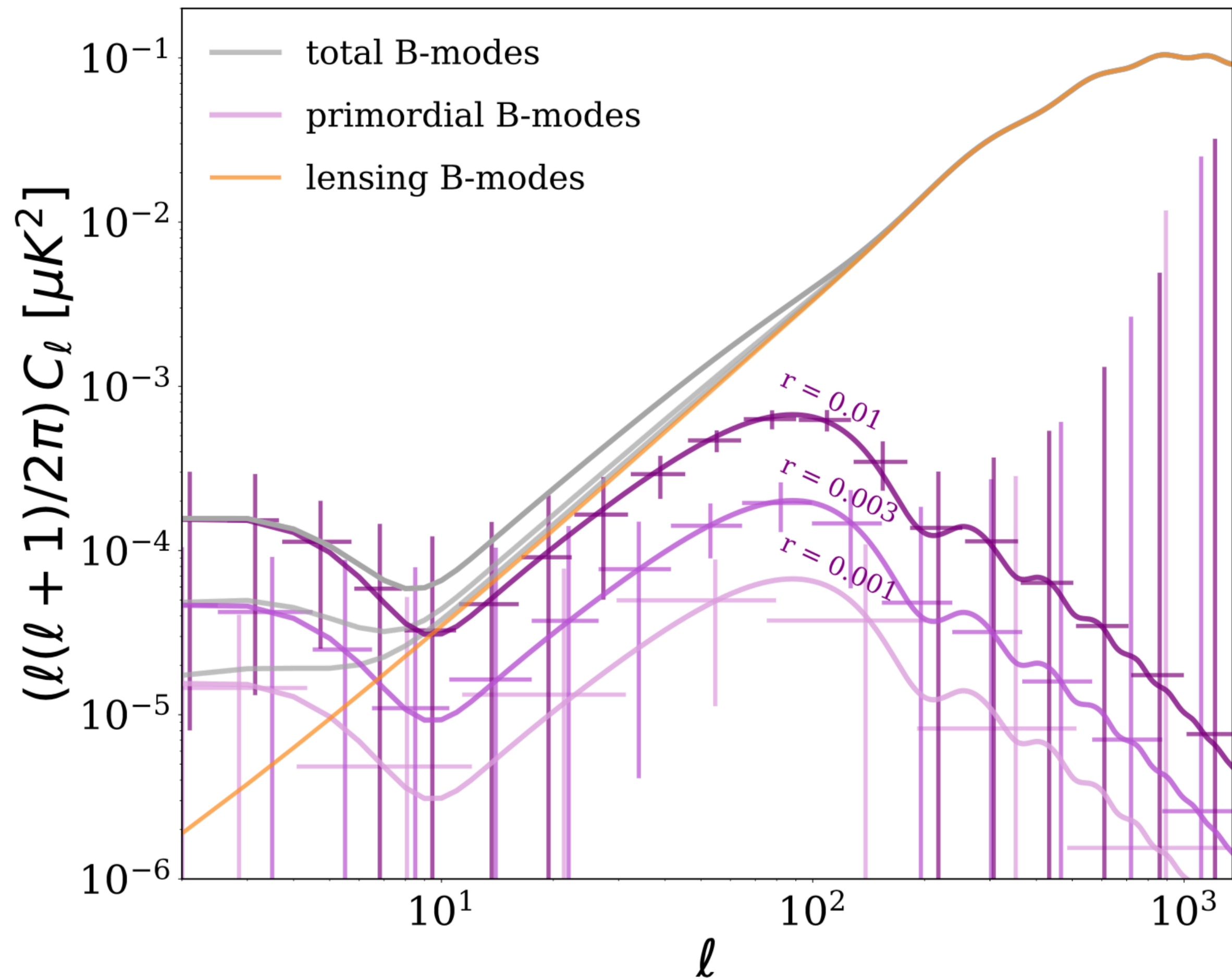
LiteBIRD: 15 frequency bands

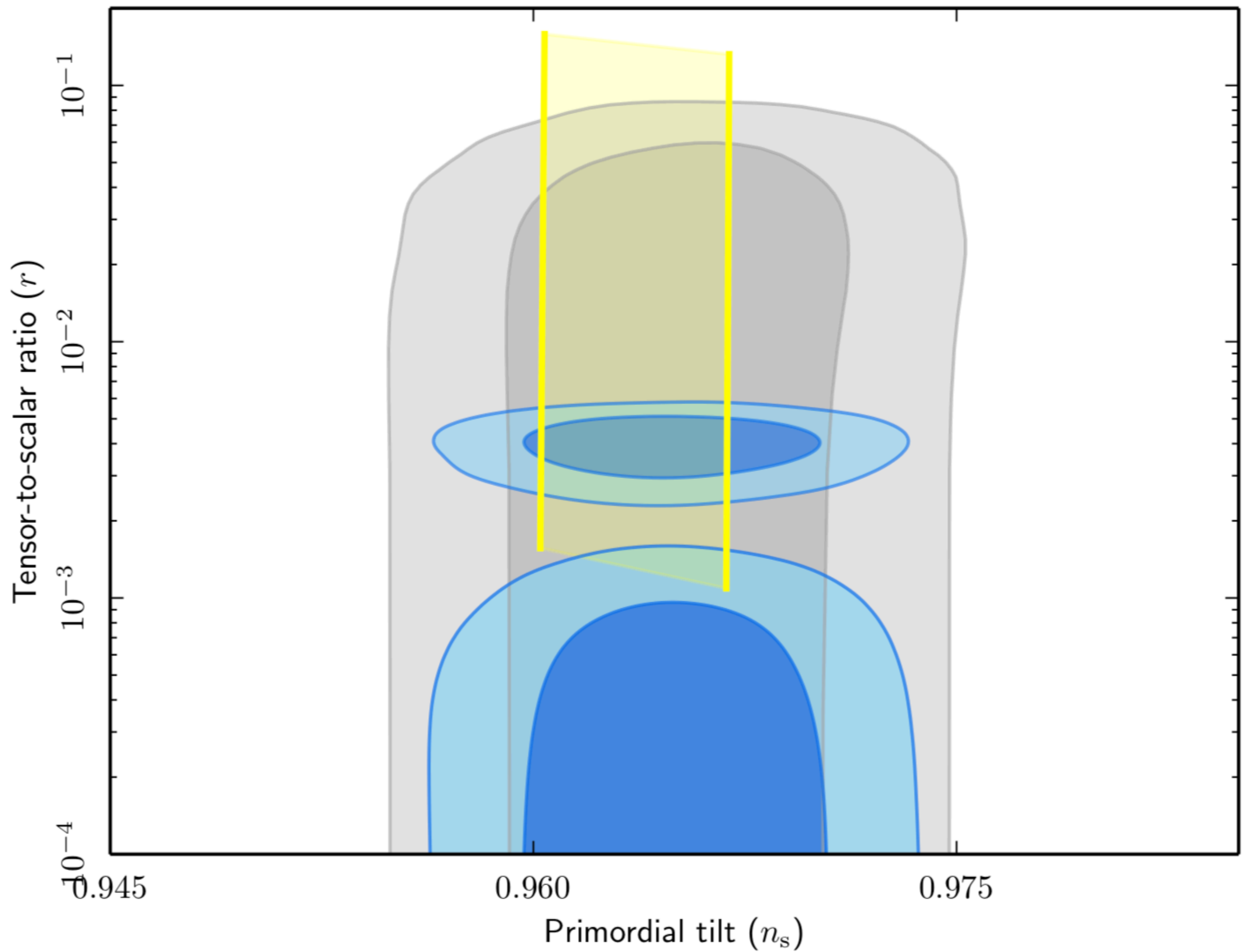
- Polarized foregrounds
 - Synchrotron radiation and thermal emission from inter-galactic dust
 - Characterize and remove foregrounds
- 15 frequency bands between 40 GHz - 400 GHz
 - Split between Low Frequency Telescope (LFT) and High Frequency Telescope (HFT)
 - LFT: 40 GHz – 235 GHz
 - HFT: 280 GHz – 400 GHz

Slide courtesy Toki Suzuki (Berkeley)

LiteBIRD Spacecraft







Summary

- **Next frontier**: Using CMB polarisation to find GWs from inflation.
Critical test of the physics of inflation!
- With *CCAT-p*, we can remove the dust polarisation to reach $r \sim 10^{-2}$ **reliably**, i.e., 10 times better than the current bound
- With *LiteBIRD* we plan to reach $r \sim 10^{-3}$, i.e., 100 times better than the current bound
- GW from vacuum or sources? An exciting window to new physics
 - Check not only for scale invariant, but also for chirality and **non-Gaussianity**