

# **Critical Tests of Theory of the Early Universe using the Cosmic Microwave Background**

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The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences has decided to award  
the 2019 Nobel Prize in Physics to

# JAMES PEEBLES

"for theoretical discoveries in physical cosmology"

## James Peebles Facts

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James Peebles  
The Nobel Prize in Physics 2019

Born: 1935, Winnipeg, Canada

Affiliation at the time of the award: Princeton University,  
Princeton, NJ, USA

Prize motivation: "for theoretical discoveries in physical  
cosmology."

Prize share: 1/2





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# Breakthrough in Cosmological Research

- We can actually **see** the physical condition of the universe when it was very young

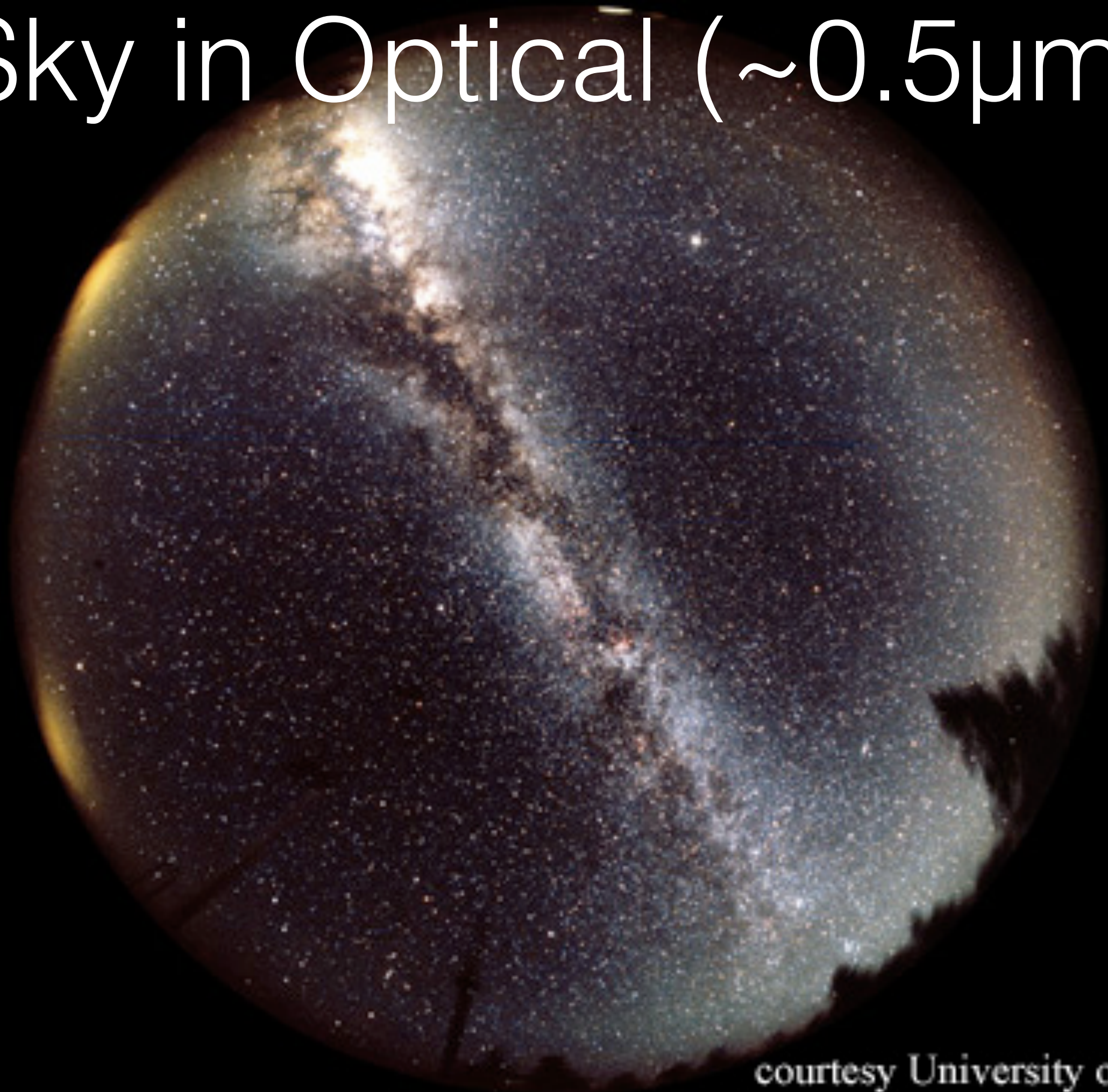




*From “Cosmic Voyage”*



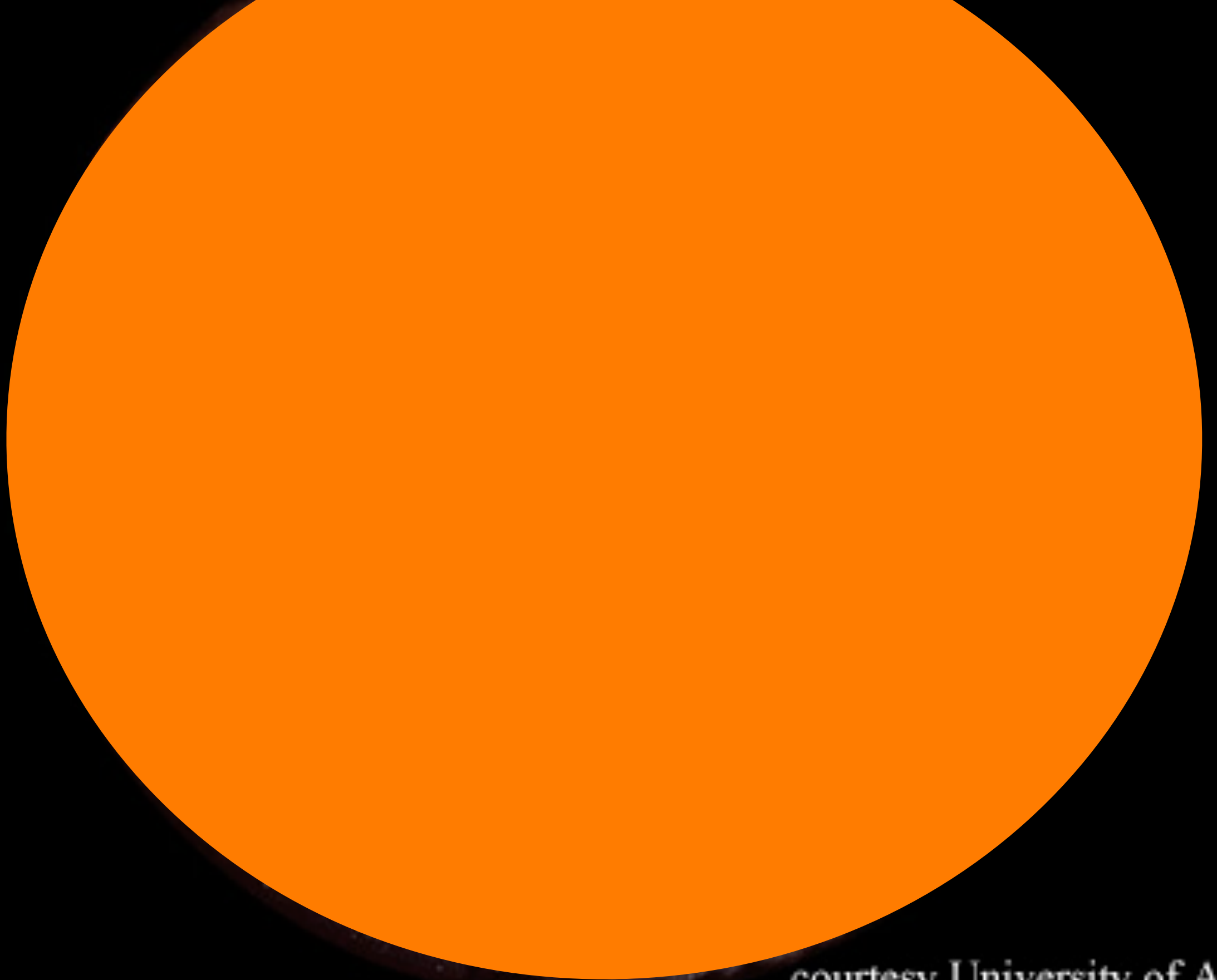
# Sky in Optical ( $\sim 0.5\mu\text{m}$ )



courtesy University of Arizona



# Sky in Microwave ( $\sim 1\text{mm}$ )



courtesy University of Arizona



# Sky in Microwave ( $\sim 1\text{mm}$ )

*Light from the fireball Universe  
filling our sky (2.7K)*

**The Cosmic Microwave  
Background (CMB)**

**410 photons**  
per  
cubic centimeter!!



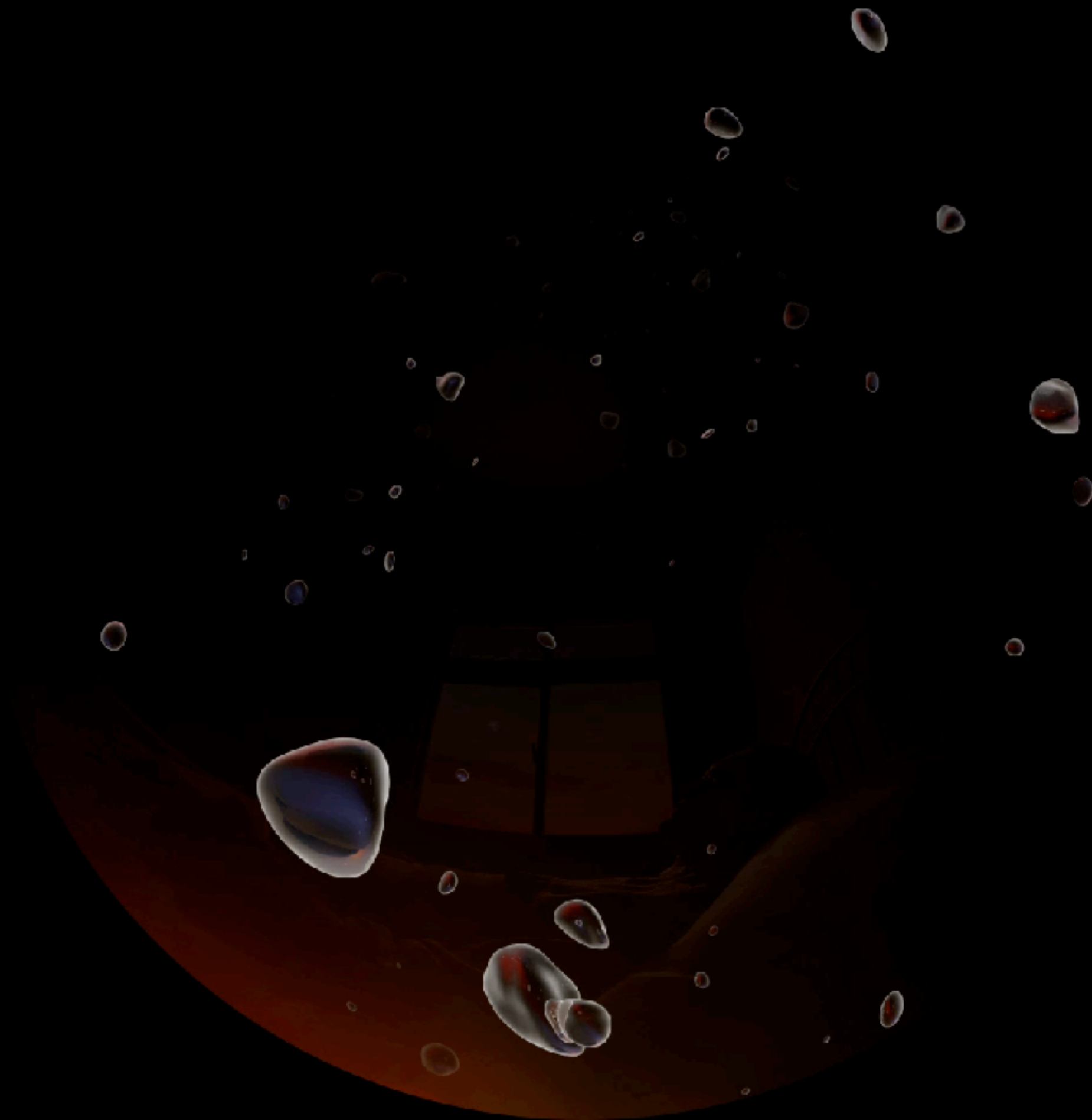


Full-dome movie for planetarium

Director: Hiromitsu Kohsaka

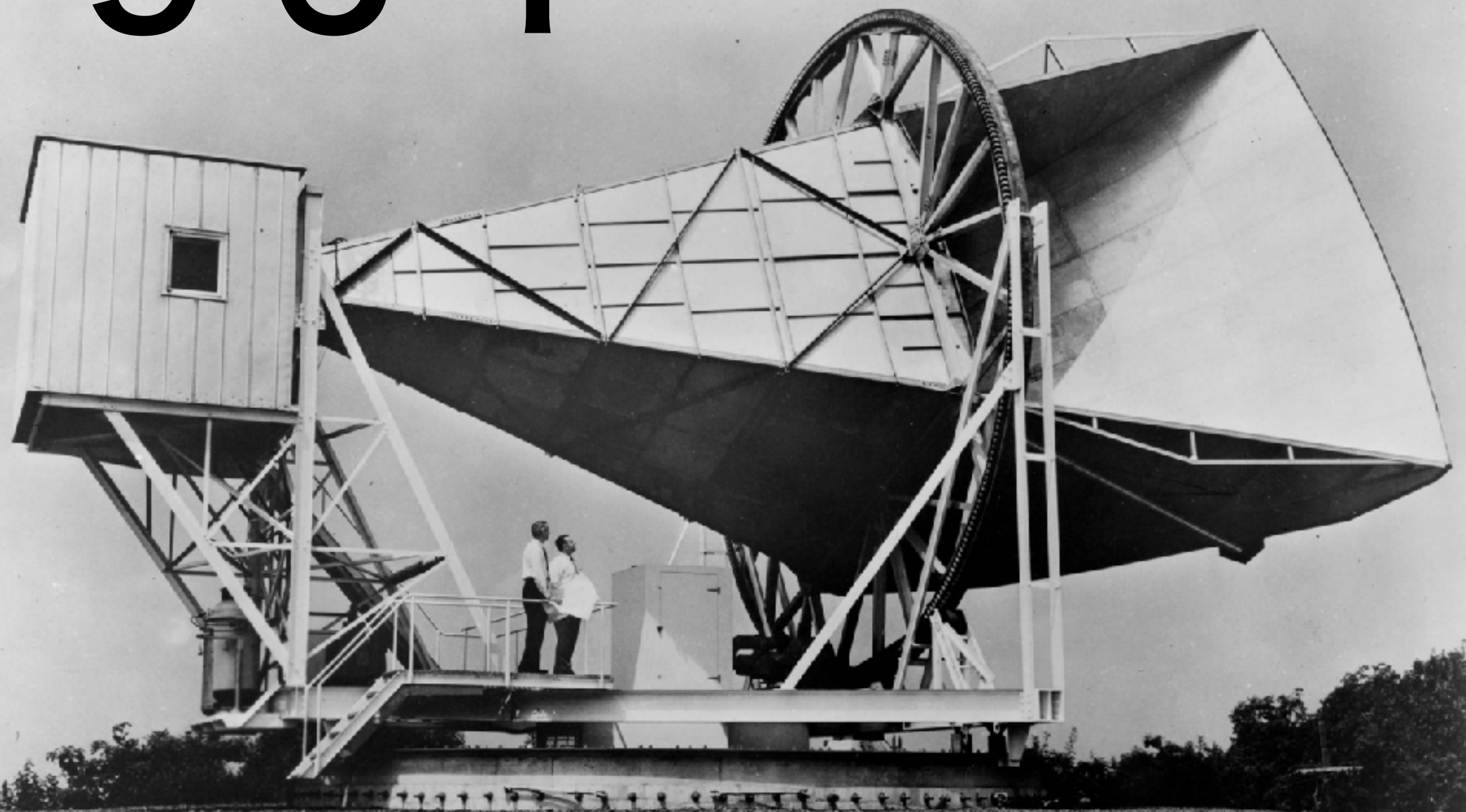


HORIZON :Beyond the Edge of the Visible Universe [Trailer]



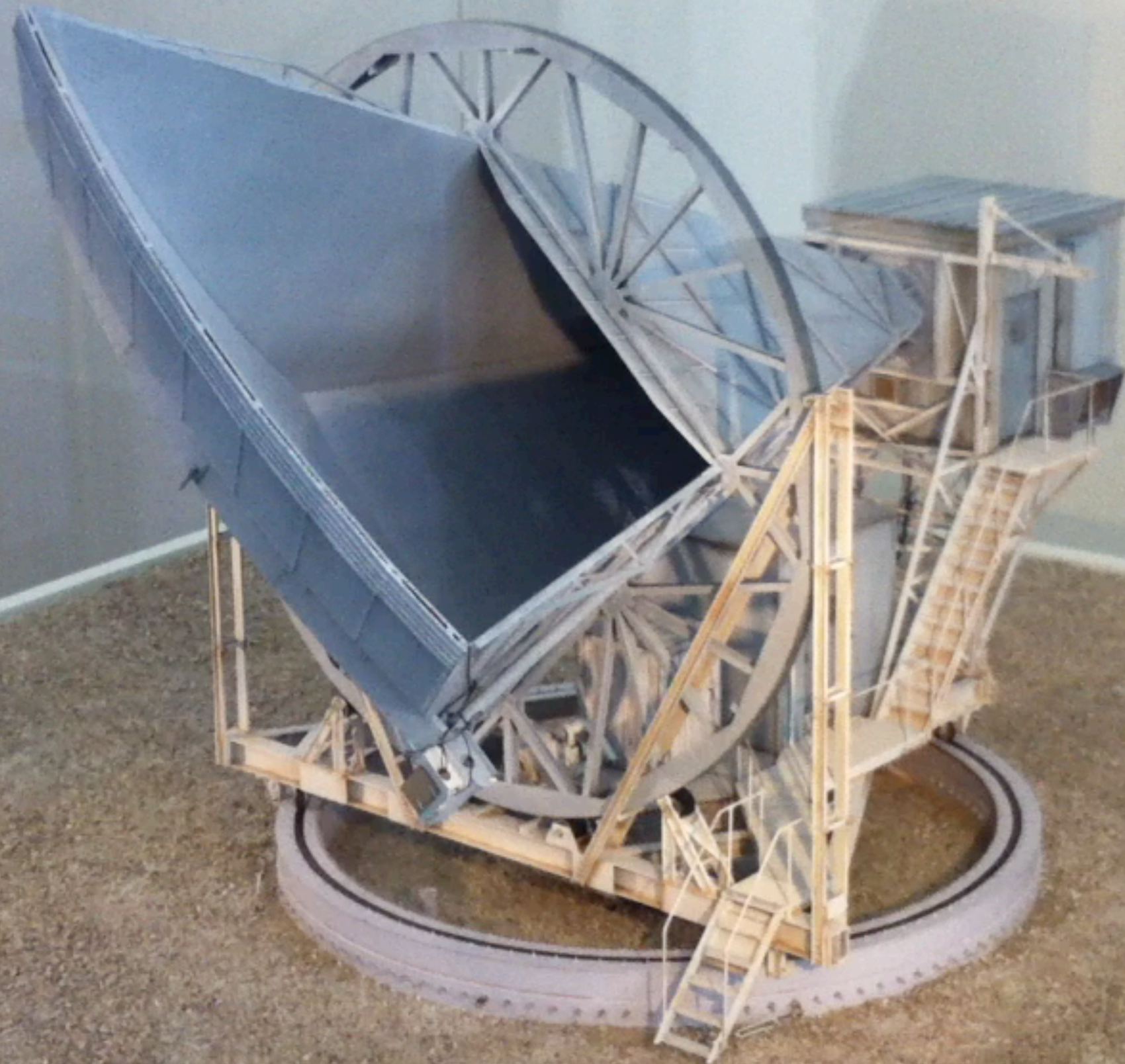


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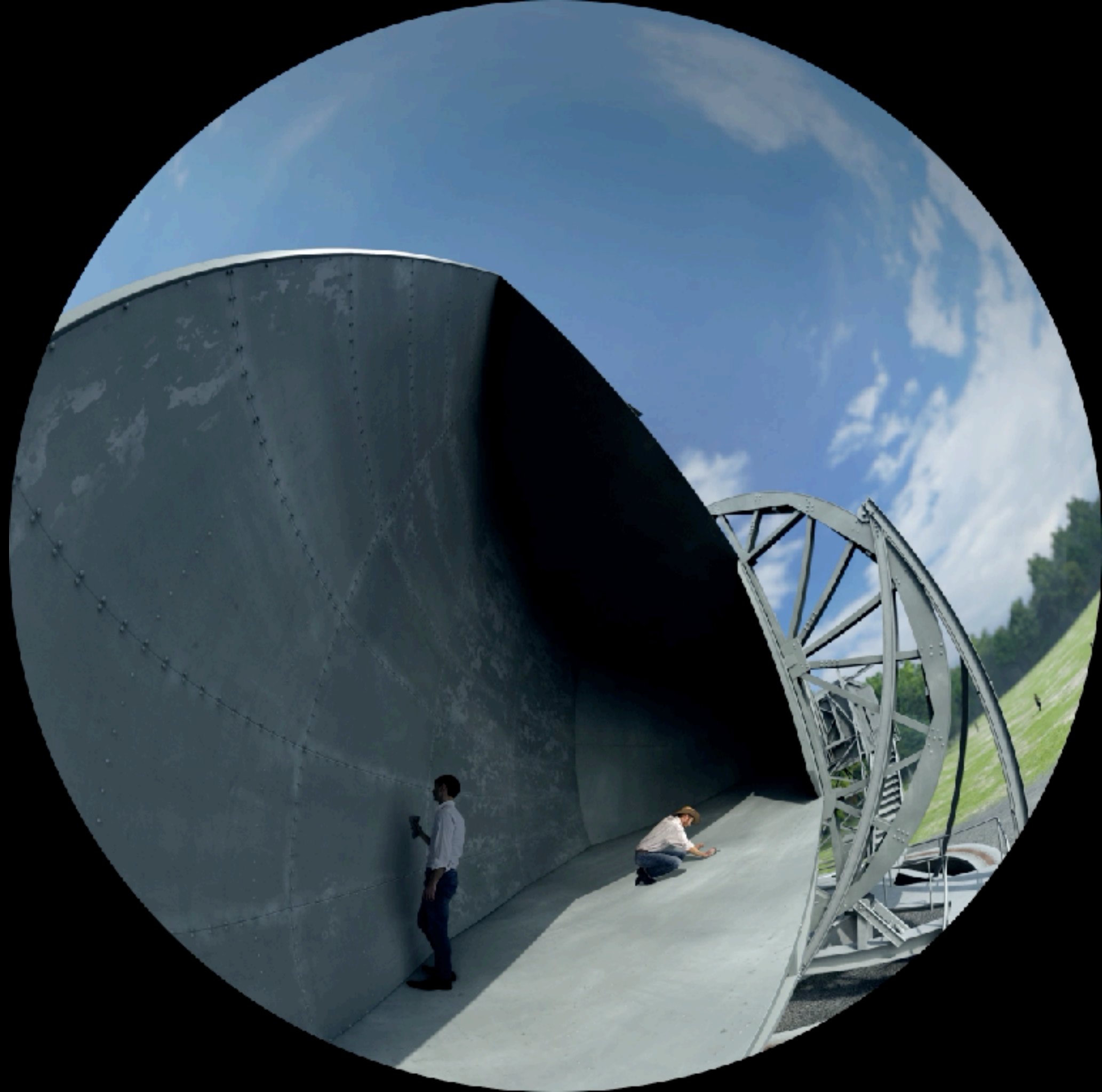




1:25 model of the antenna at Bell Lab  
The 3rd floor of Deutsches Museum







# The real detector system used by Penzias & Wilson

## The 3rd floor of Deutsches Museum



**Donated by Dr. Penzias,  
who was born in Munich**





Horn antenna

Calibrator, cooled  
to 5K by liquid helium

Amplifier

Recorder

Hornantennenanschluss

Hohlleiterzug

V  
Vergleichs-  
quelle

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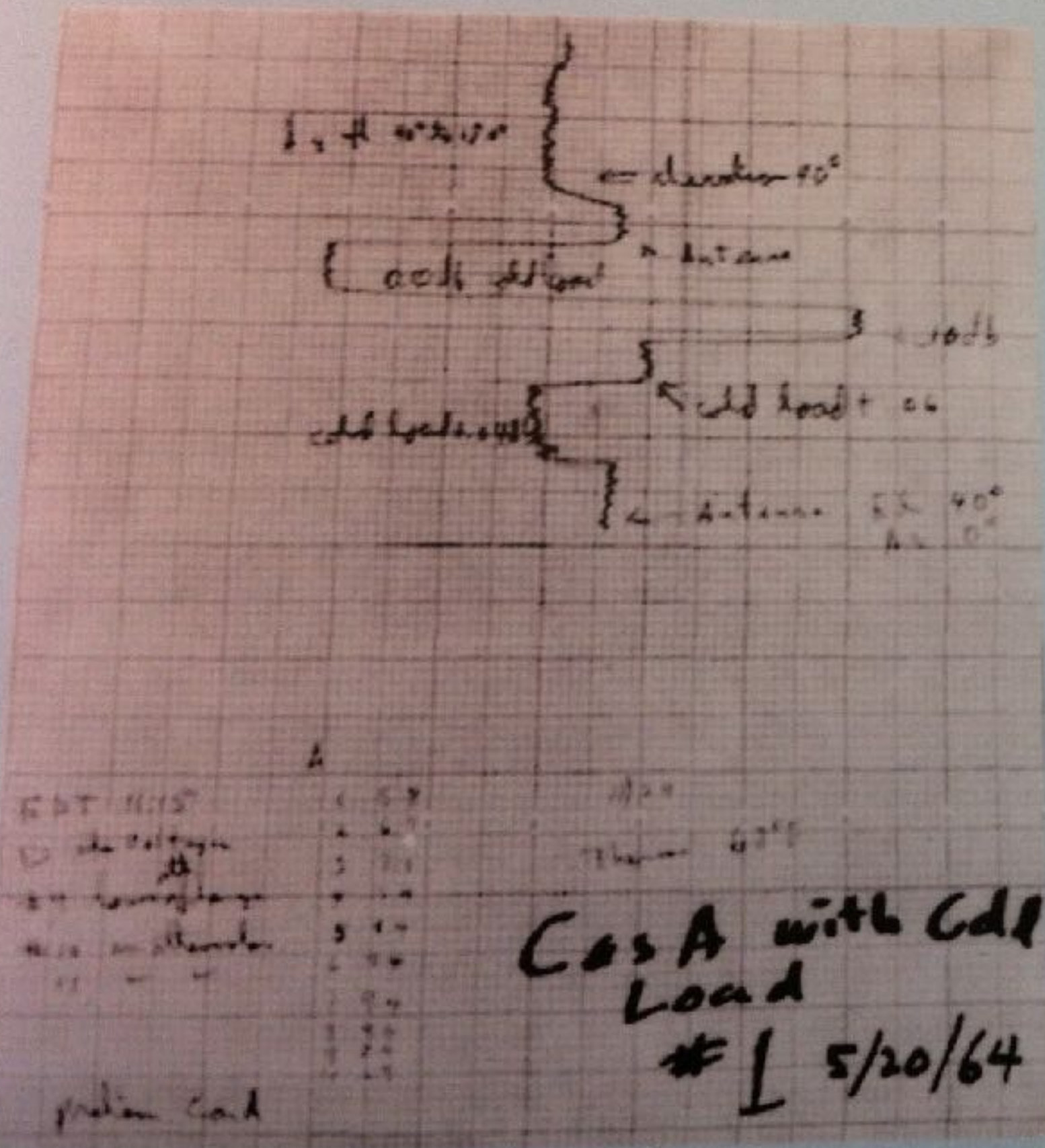
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# May 20, 1964 CMB Discovered

$$6.7 - 2.3 - 0.8 - 0.1 \\ = 3.5 \pm 1.0 \text{ K}$$

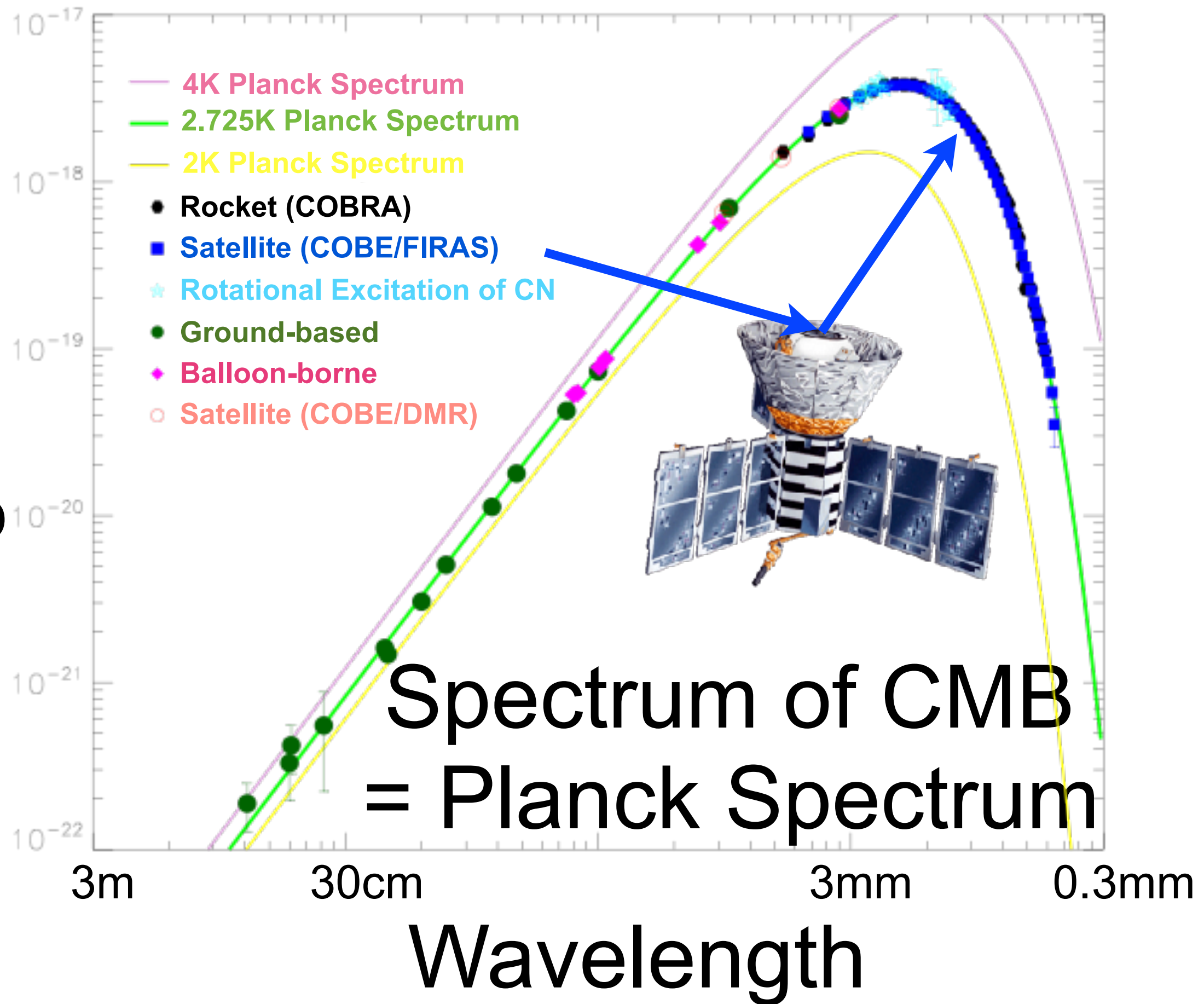


Schreiberaufzeichnung der ersten Messung des Mikrowellenhintergrundes am 20.5.1964

Recording of the first measurement of cosmic microwave background radiation taken on 5/20/1964.

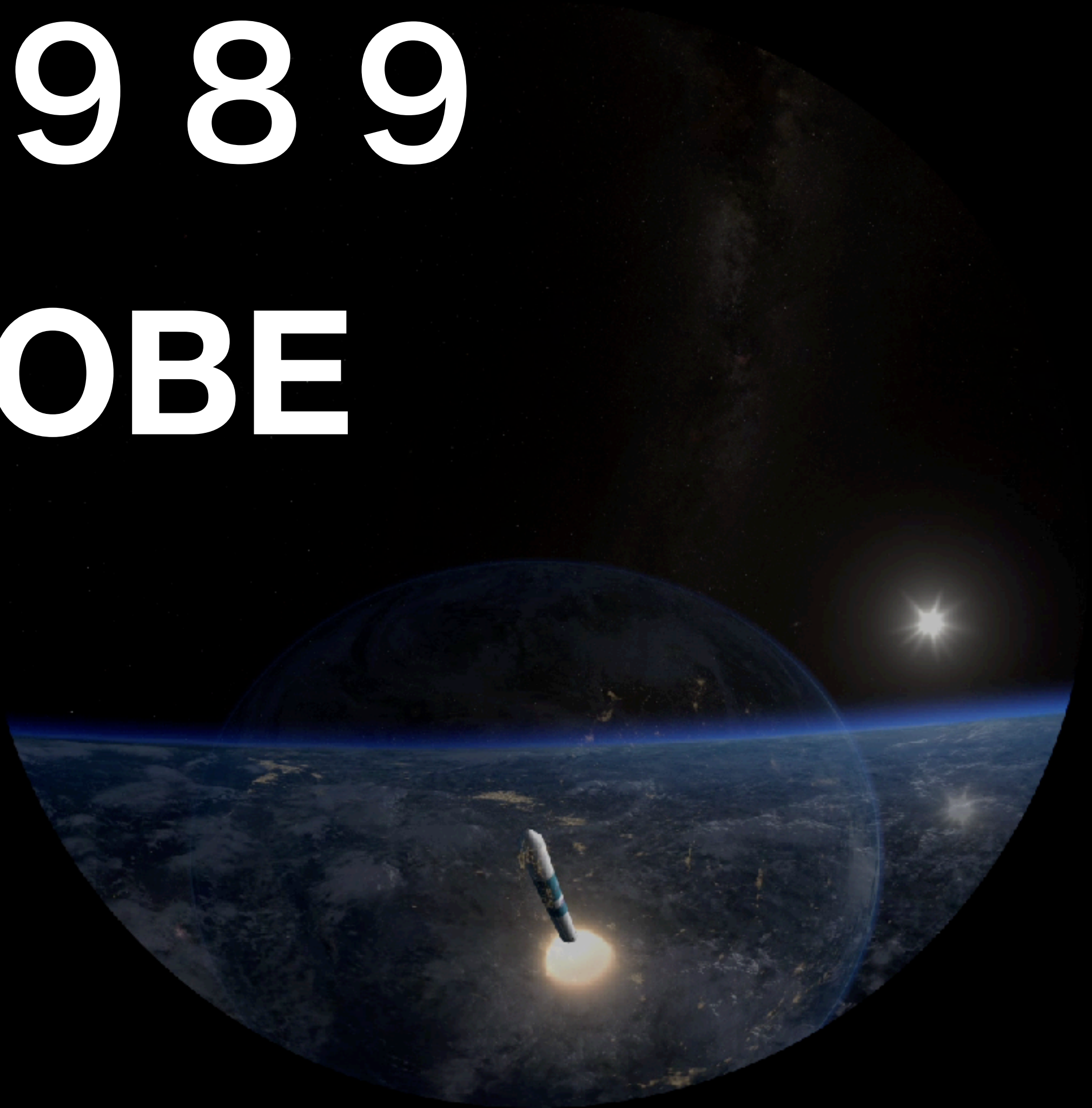


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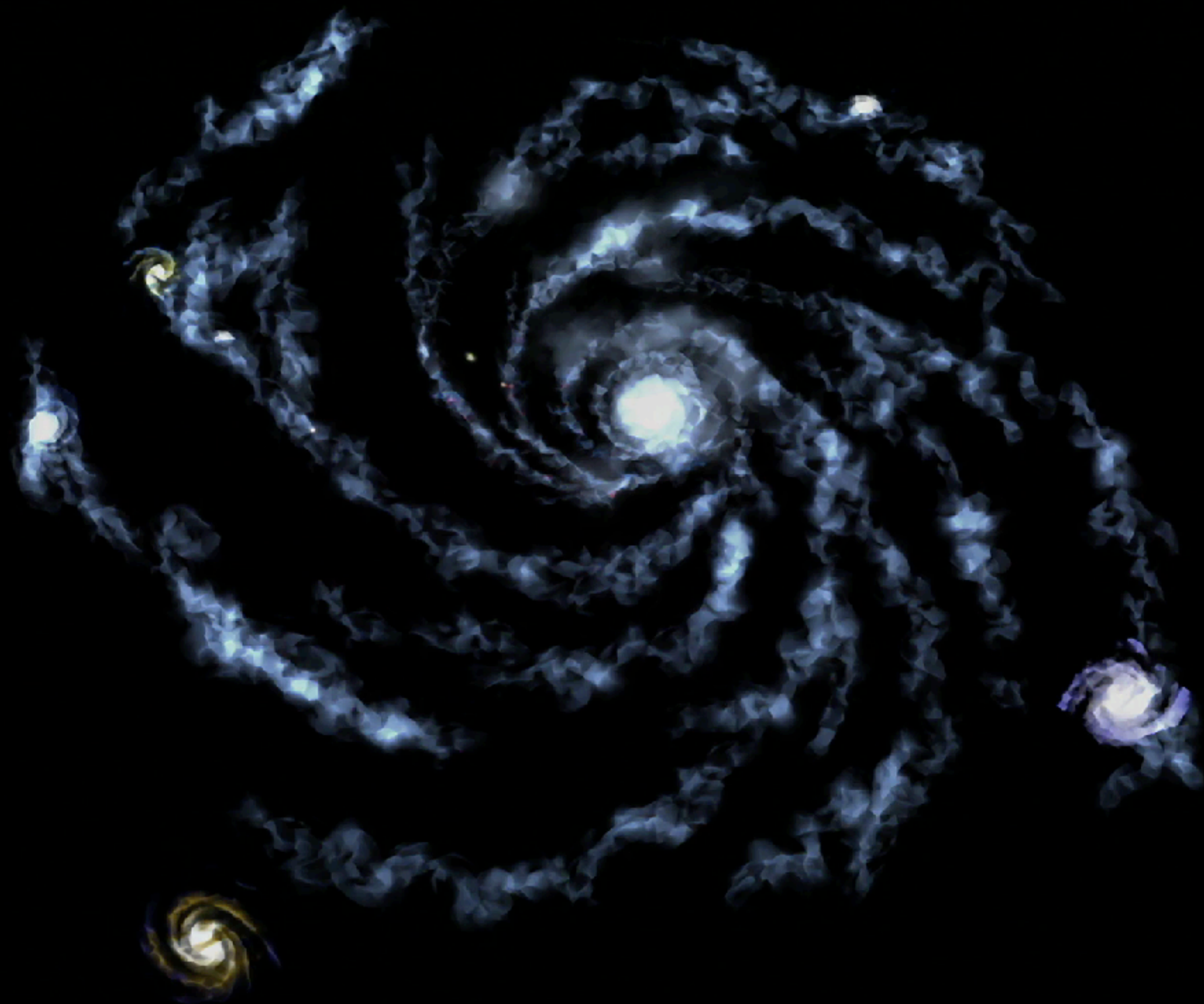


1989

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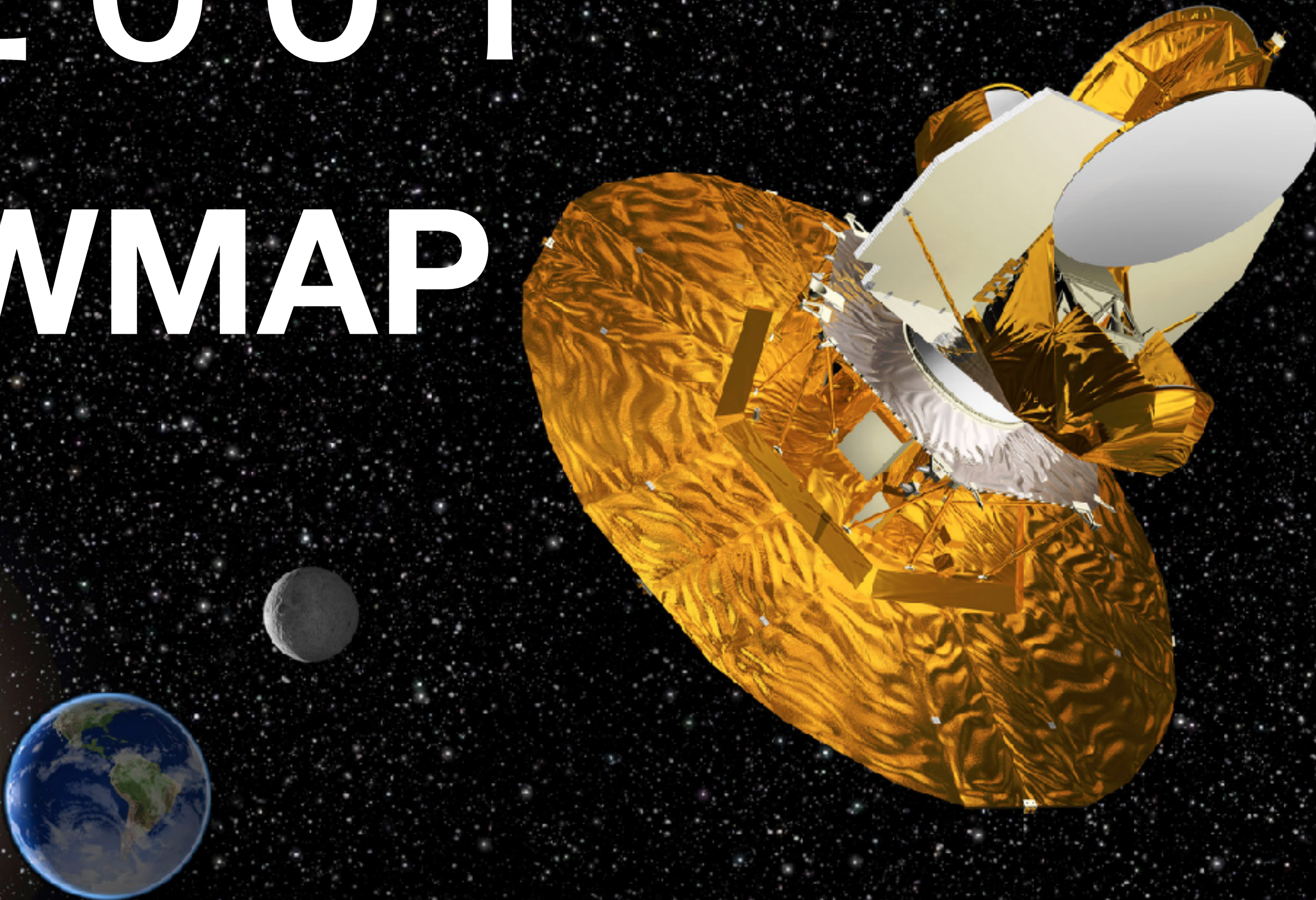






2001

WMAP





# WMAP Science Team

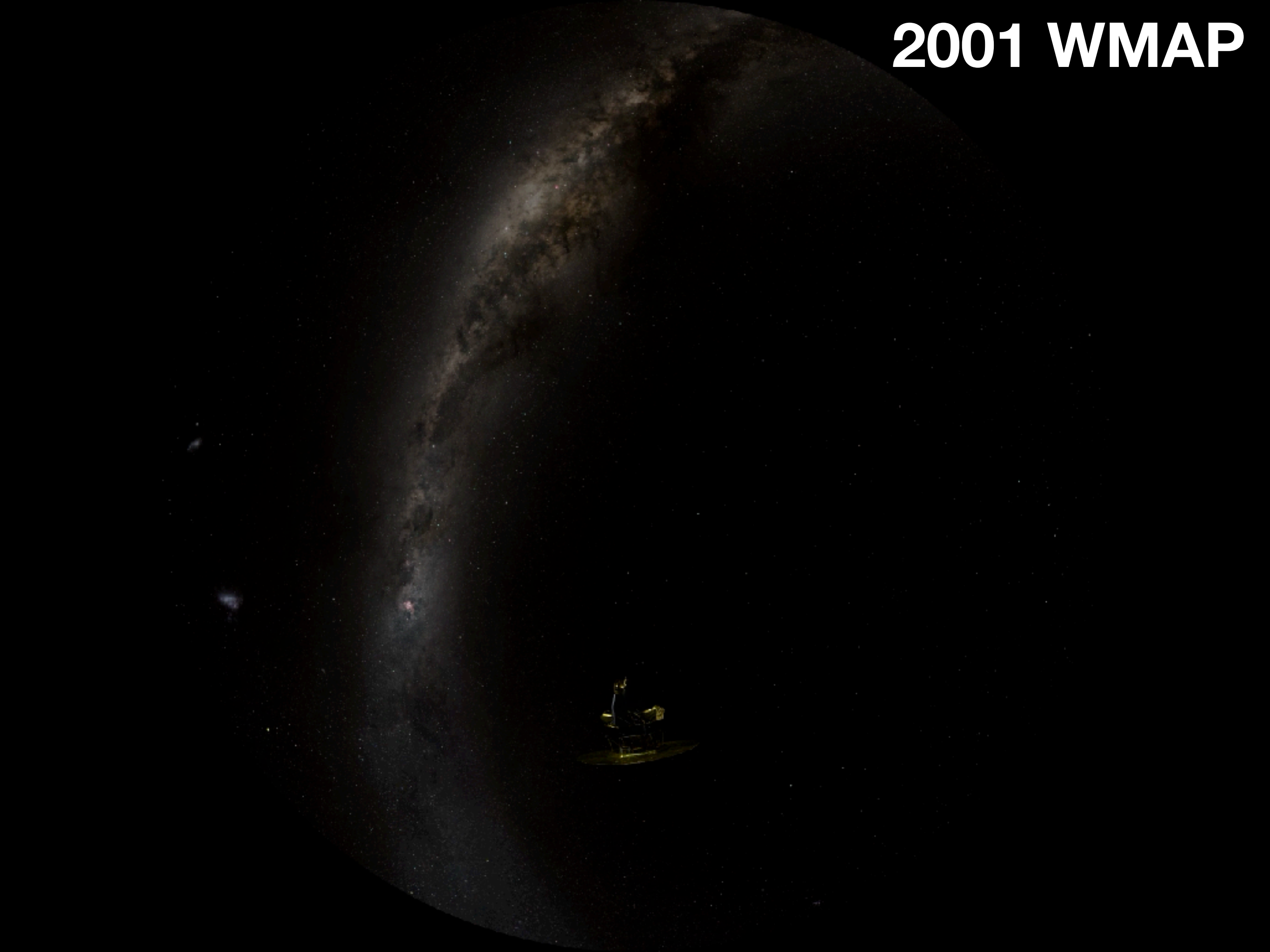
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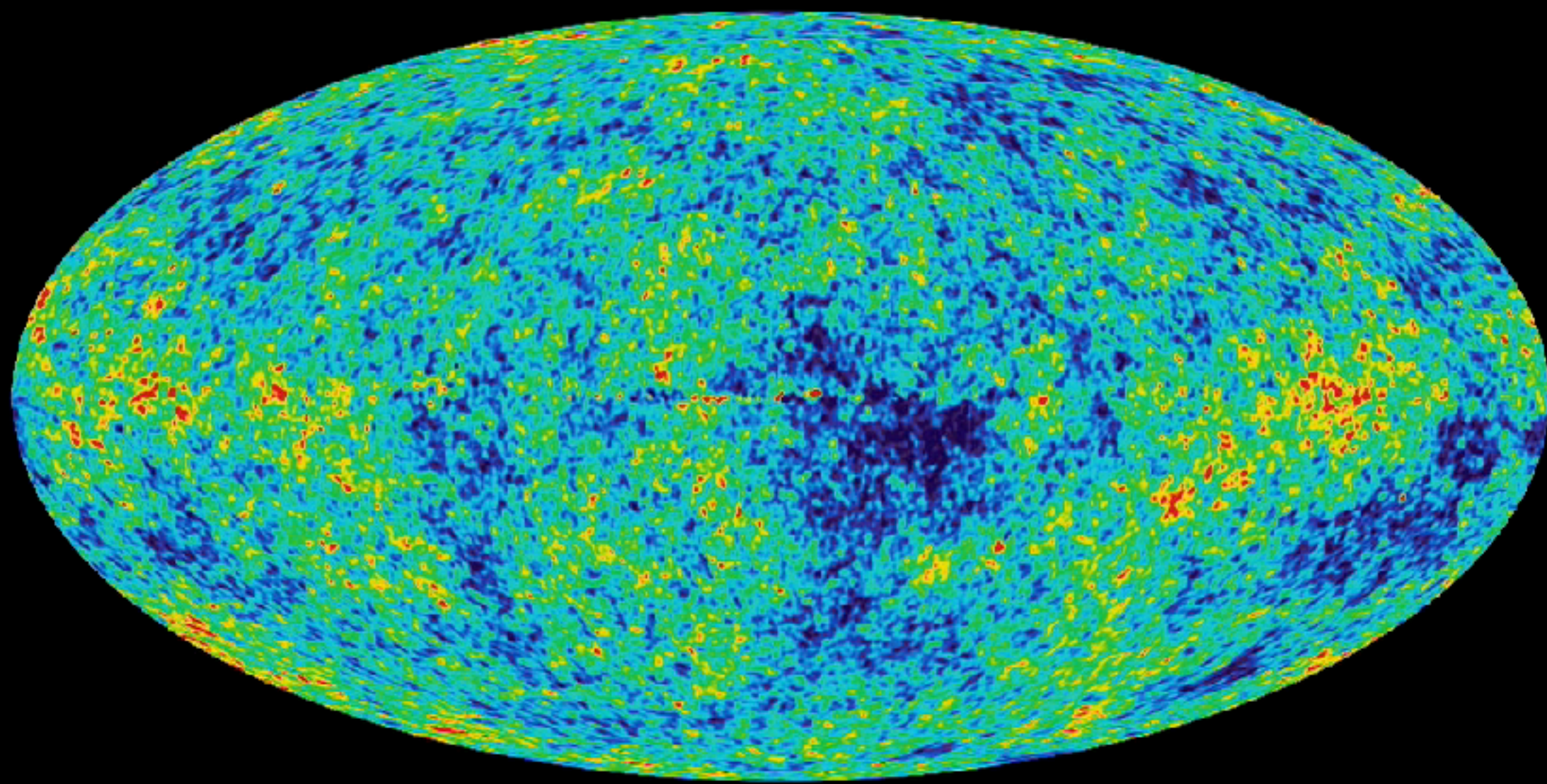
- WMAP was launched on June 30, 2001
- The WMAP mission ended after 9 years of operation



**2001 WMAP**



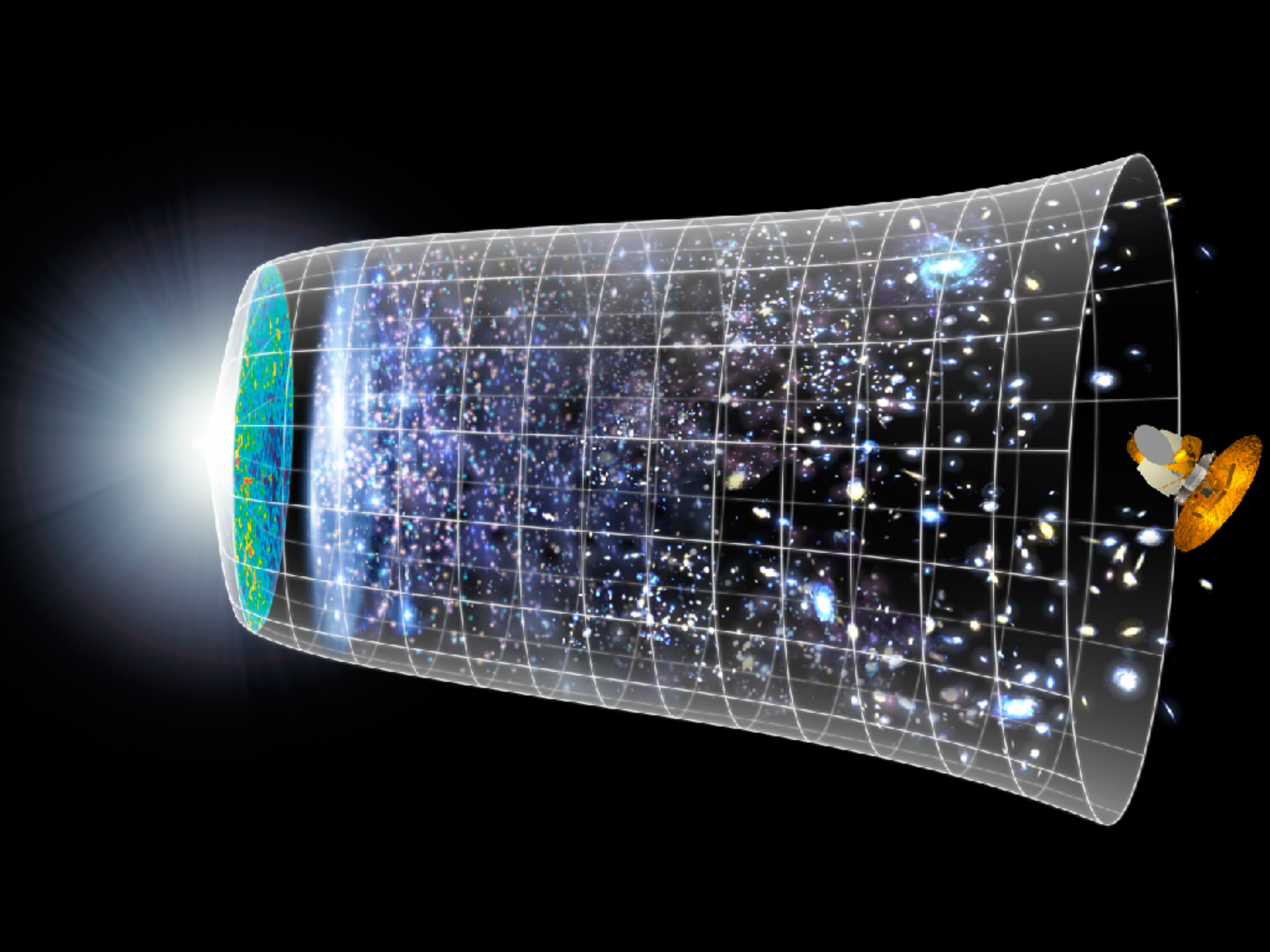




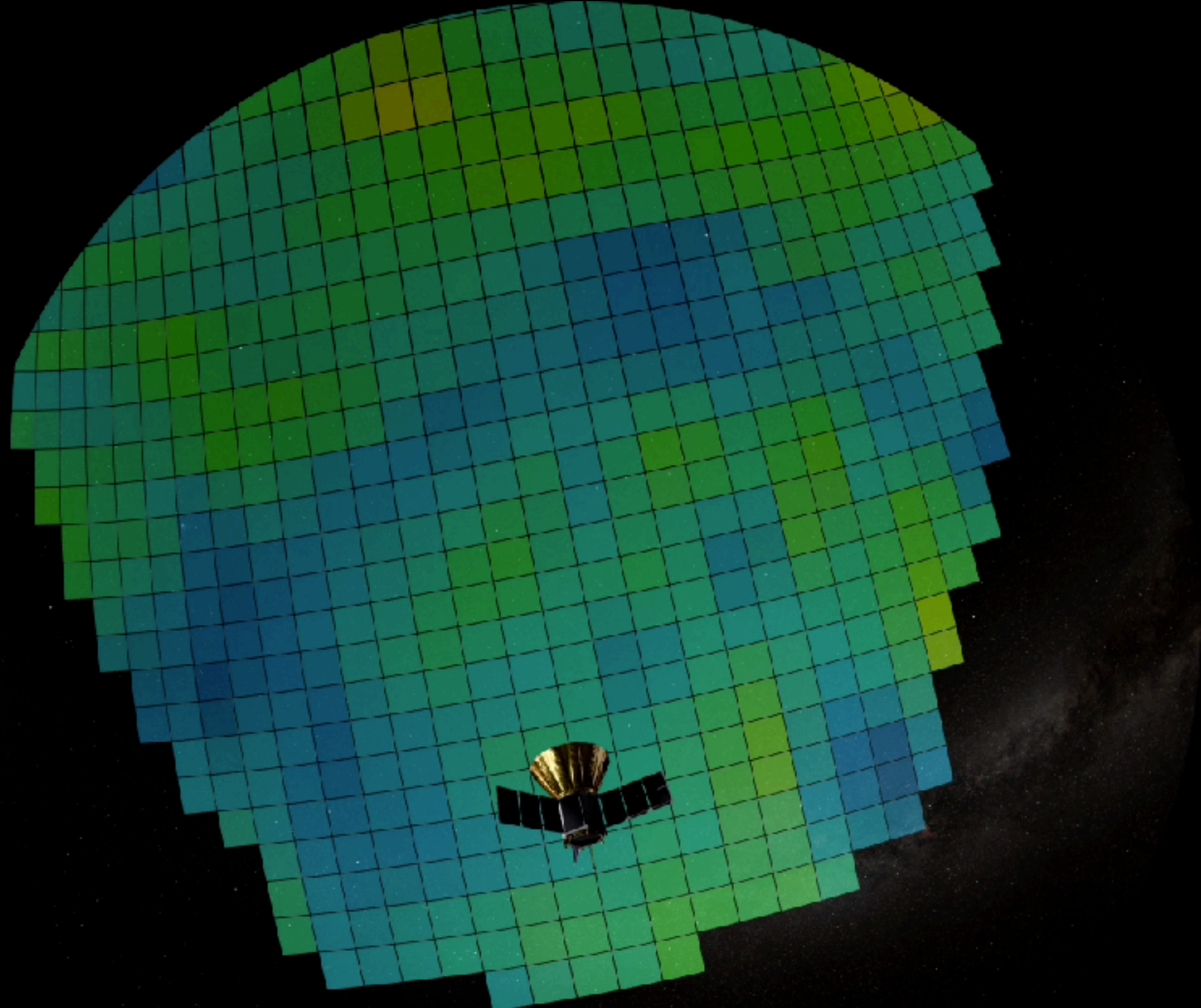
# A Remarkable Story

- Observations of the cosmic microwave background and their interpretation taught us that **galaxies, stars, planets, and ourselves originated from tiny fluctuations in the early Universe**
- *But, what generated the initial fluctuations?*

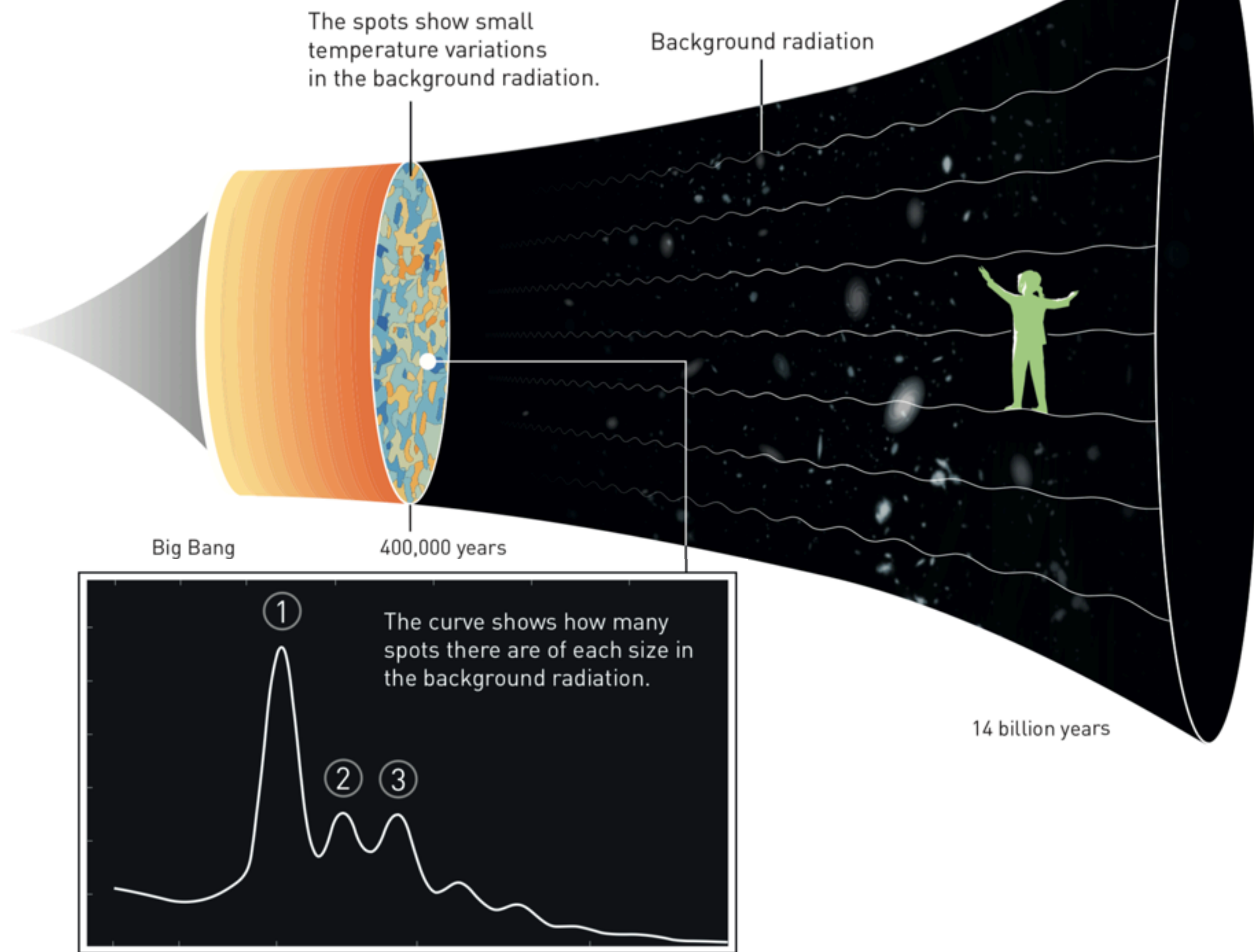








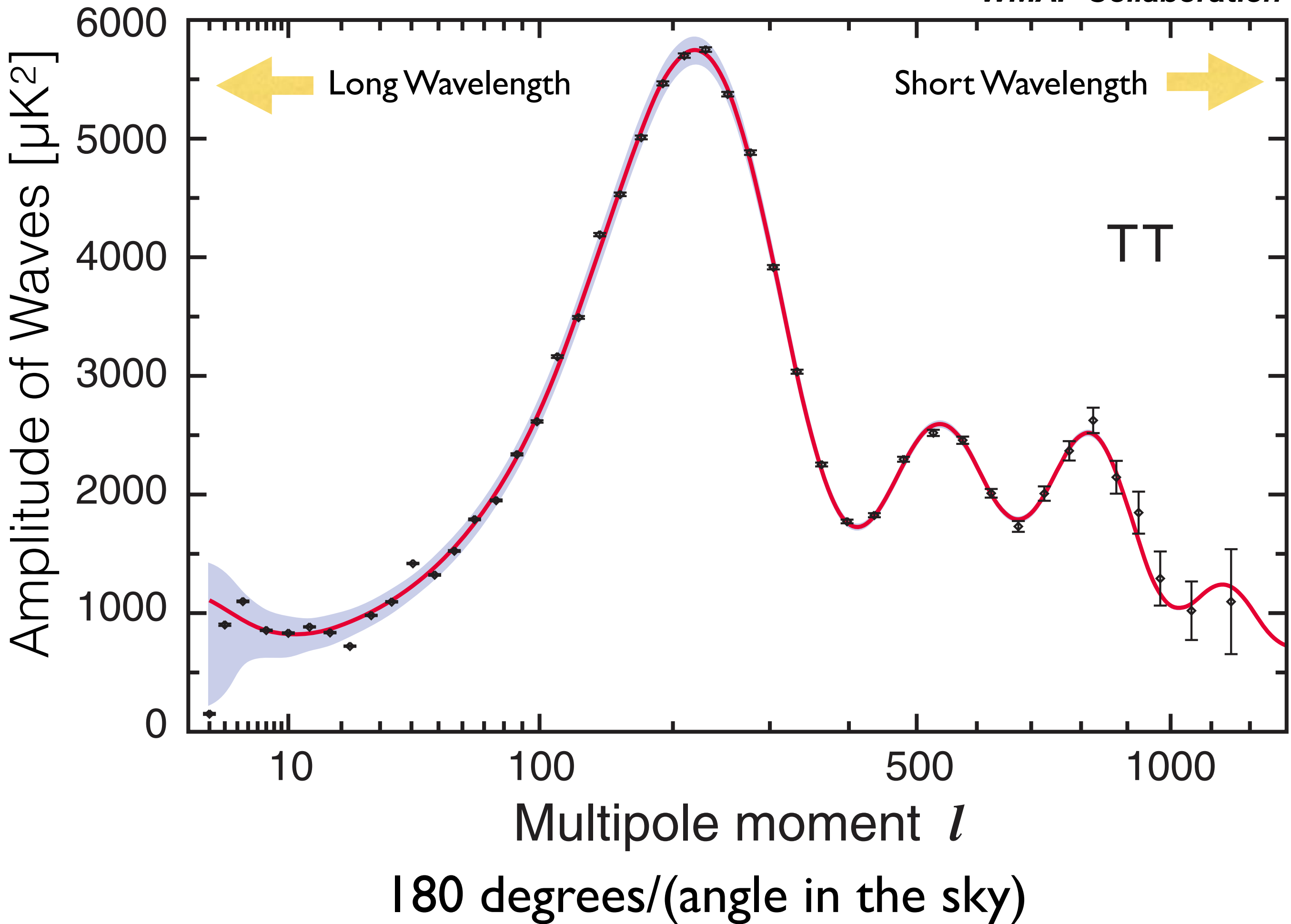




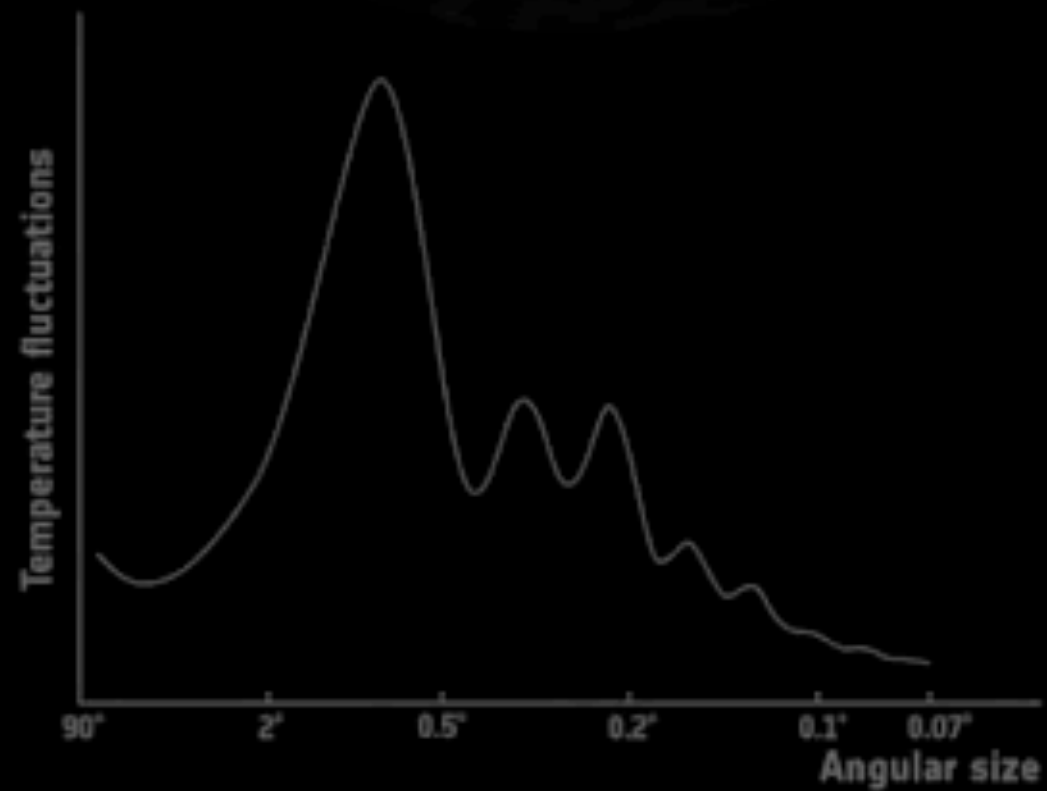
# Data Analysis

- Decompose temperature fluctuations in the sky into a set of waves with various wavelengths
- Make a diagram showing the strength of each wavelength





# Power spectrum, explained







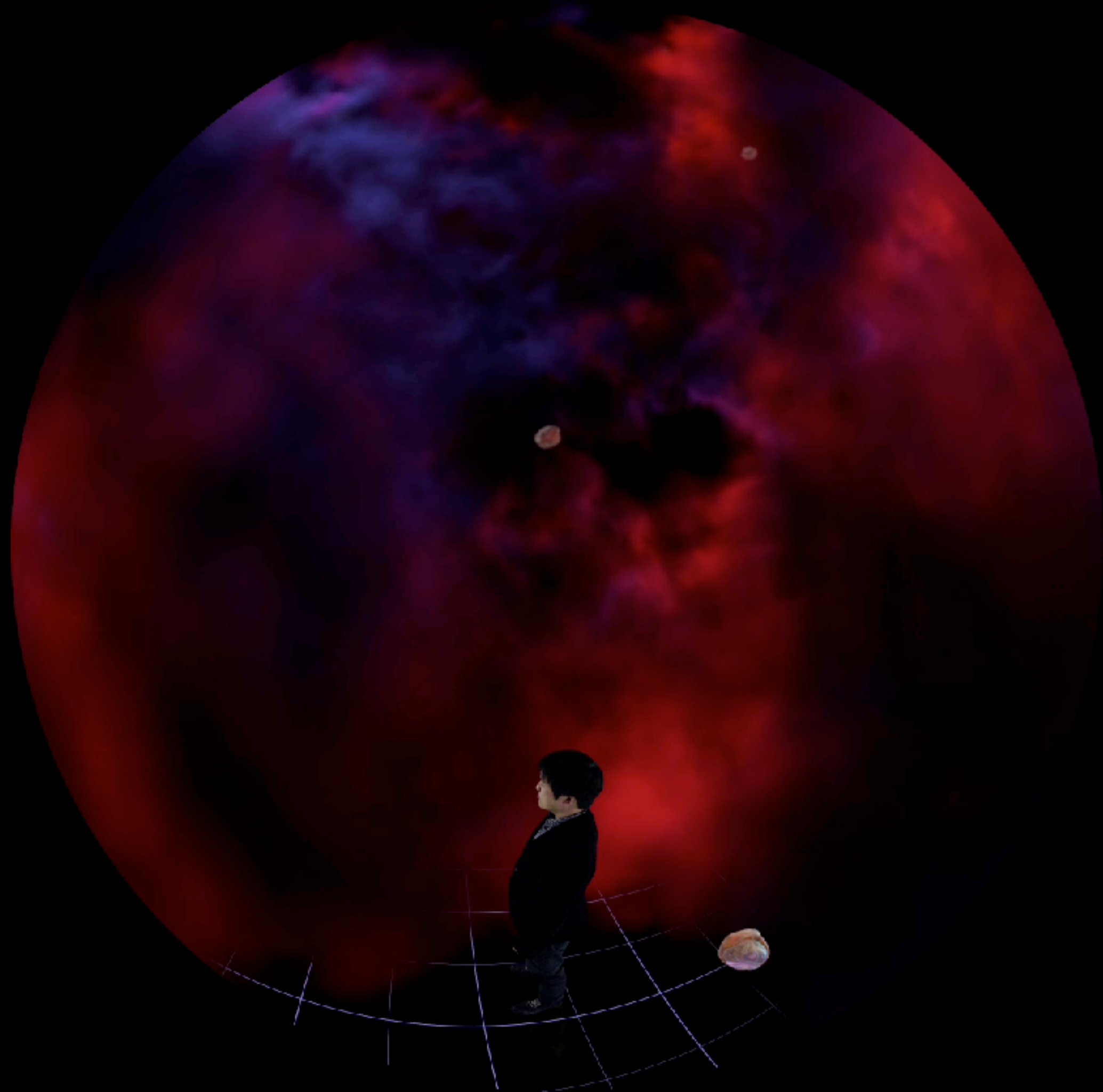


# Kosmische Miso Suppe

- When matter and radiation were hotter than 3000 K, matter was completely ionised. The Universe was filled with plasma, which behaves just like a soup
- Think about a Miso soup (if you know what it is). Imagine throwing Tofus into a Miso soup, while changing the density of Miso
- And imagine watching how ripples are created and propagate throughout the soup









# Sound waves, predicted in 1970

THE ASTROPHYSICAL JOURNAL, 162:815–836, December 1970

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## **SMALL-SCALE FLUCTUATIONS OF RELIC RADIATION\***

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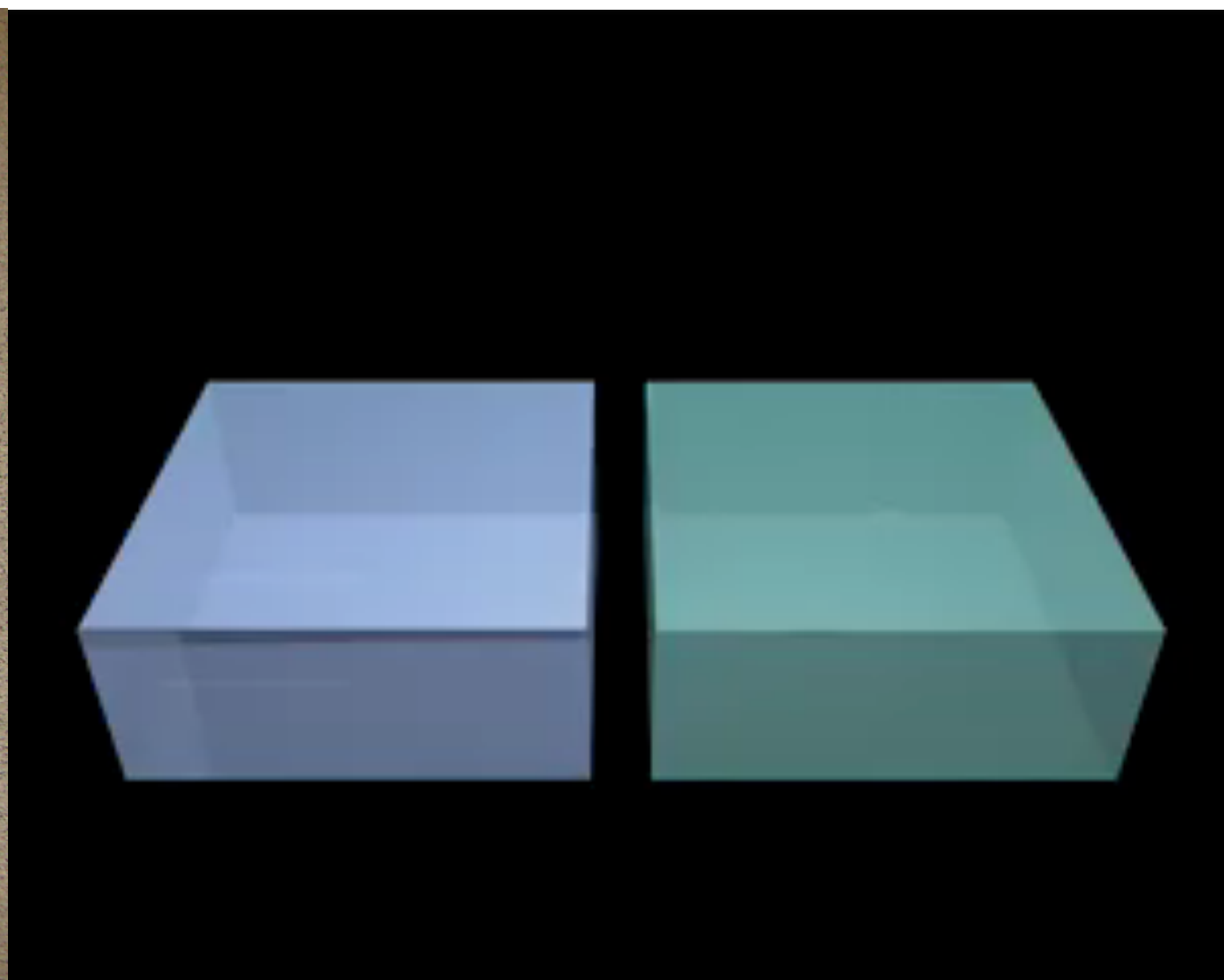
Allerdings wundert er sich, dass sein Institutskollege Rashid Sunyaev nicht mit ausgezeichnet wurde, der parallel ähnliche Arbeit geleistet hat: "Jeder im Feld weiß, dass beide die Anerkennung verdienen, wir alle bauen auf ihrer Arbeit auf", sagt Komatsu.





# Origin of Fluctuations

- Who dropped those Tofus into the cosmic Miso soup?





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

# Leading Idea

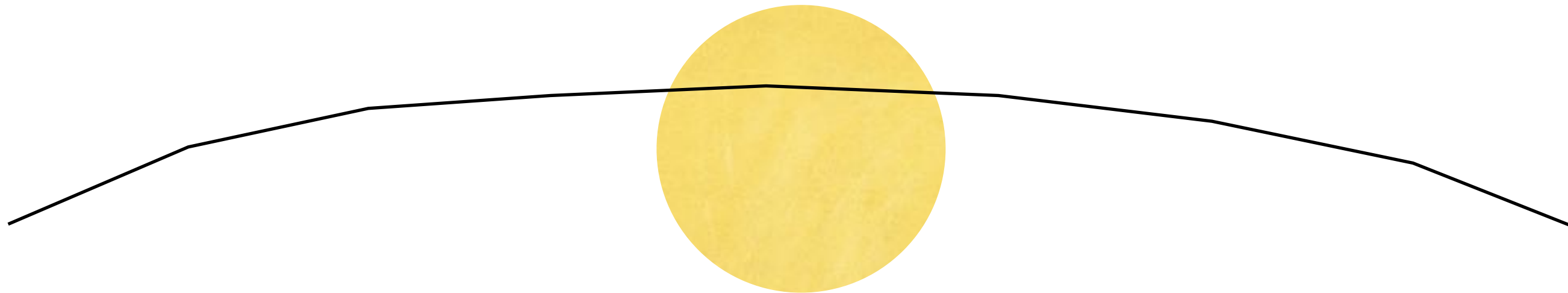
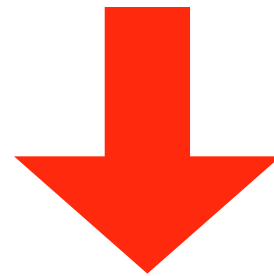
- Quantum mechanics at work in the early Universe
  - “*We all came from quantum fluctuations*”
- But, how did quantum fluctuations on the *microscopic* scales become *macroscopic* fluctuations over large distances?
- What is the **missing link** between small and large scales?

# Cosmic Inflation

Quantum fluctuations on  
microscopic scales



Inflation!



- Exponential expansion (inflation) stretches the wavelength of quantum fluctuations to cosmological scales

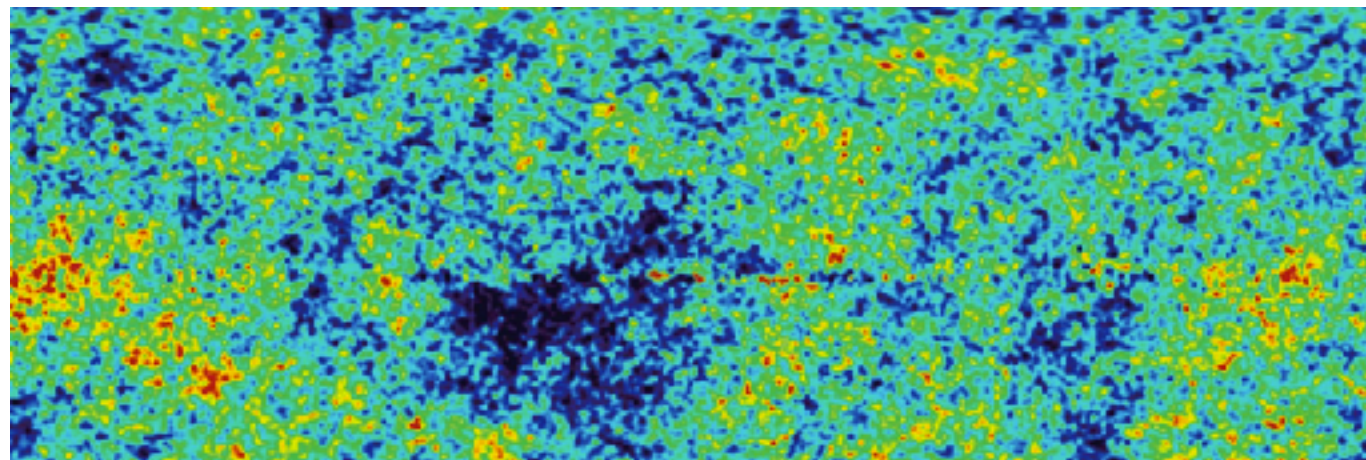
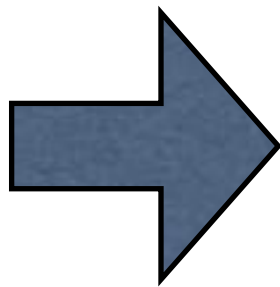


# Key Predictions

 $\zeta$ 

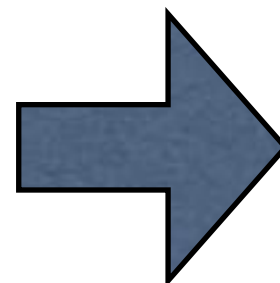
scalar  
mode

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

 $h_{ij}$ 

tensor  
mode

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

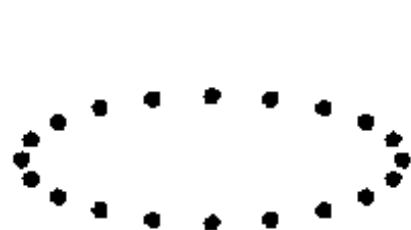


# We measure distortions in space

- A distance between two points in space

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

- $\zeta$  : “curvature perturbation” (scalar mode)
  - Perturbation to the determinant of the spatial metric
- $h_{ij}$  : “gravitational waves” (tensor mode)
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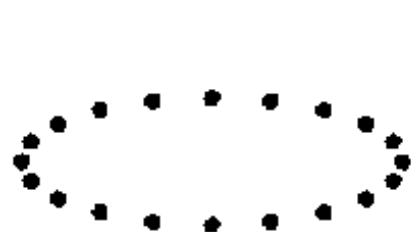
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scale factor

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# Finding Inflation

- Inflation is the **accelerated**, quasi-exponential expansion. Defining the Hubble expansion rate as  **$H(t) = d \ln(a) / dt$** , we must find

$$\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} = \dot{H} + H^2 > 0 \quad \rightarrow \quad \epsilon \equiv -\frac{\dot{H}}{H^2} < 1$$

**Actually, we rather need  $\epsilon \ll 1$**



# Have we found inflation?

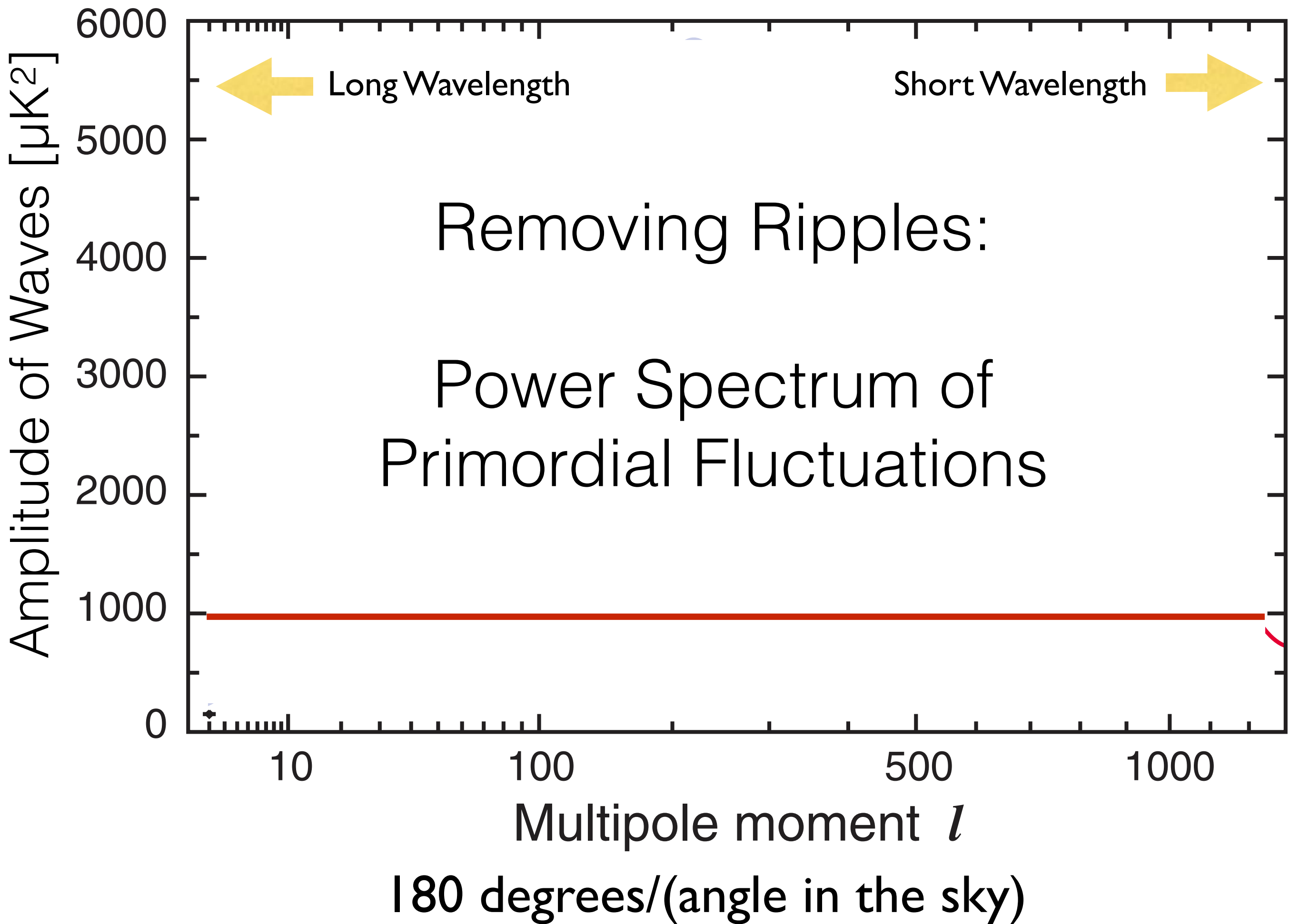
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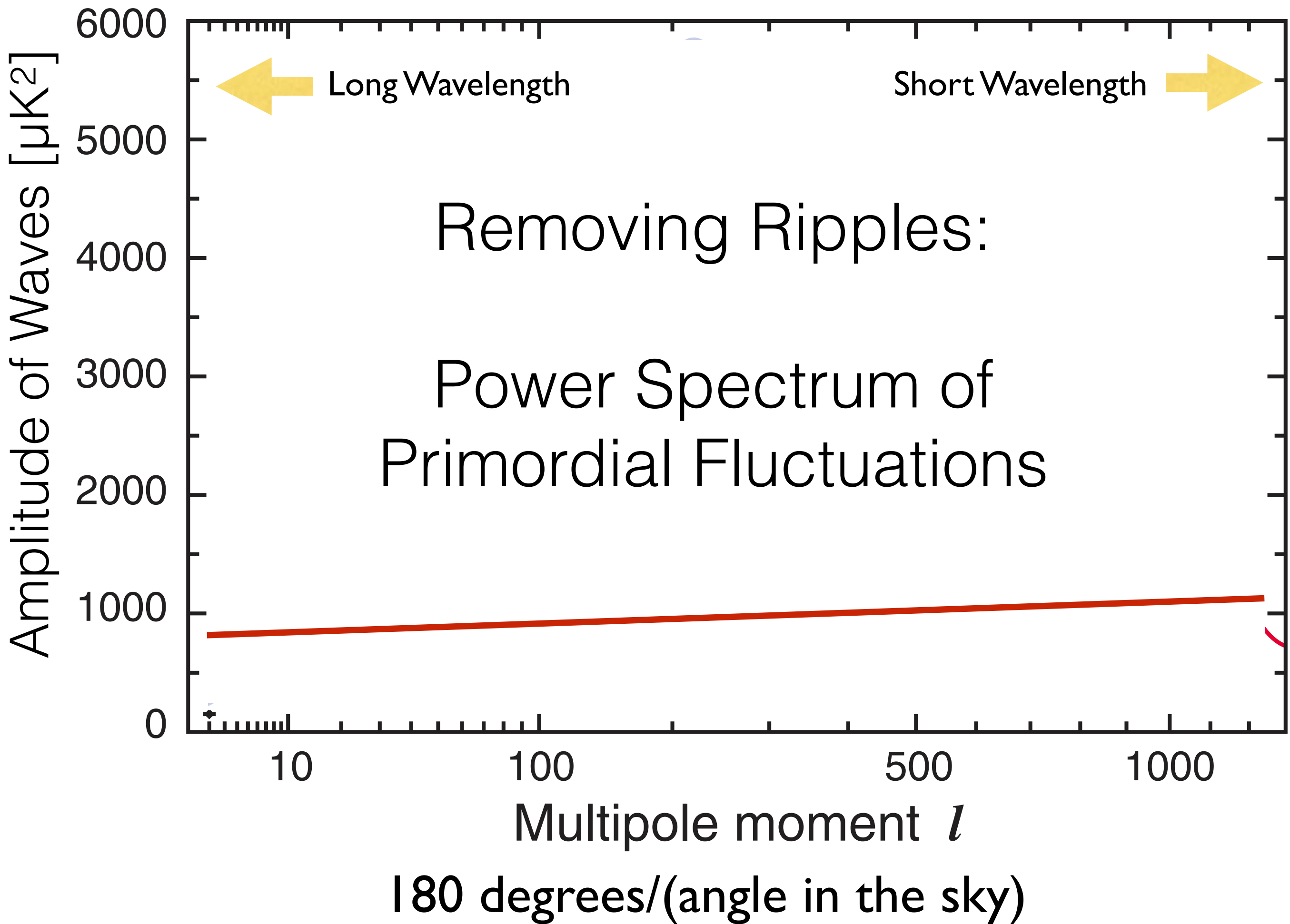
- *Have we found  $\epsilon \ll 1$ ?*
- To achieve this, we need to map out **H(t)**, and show that it does not change very much with time

# Fluctuations are proportional to $H$

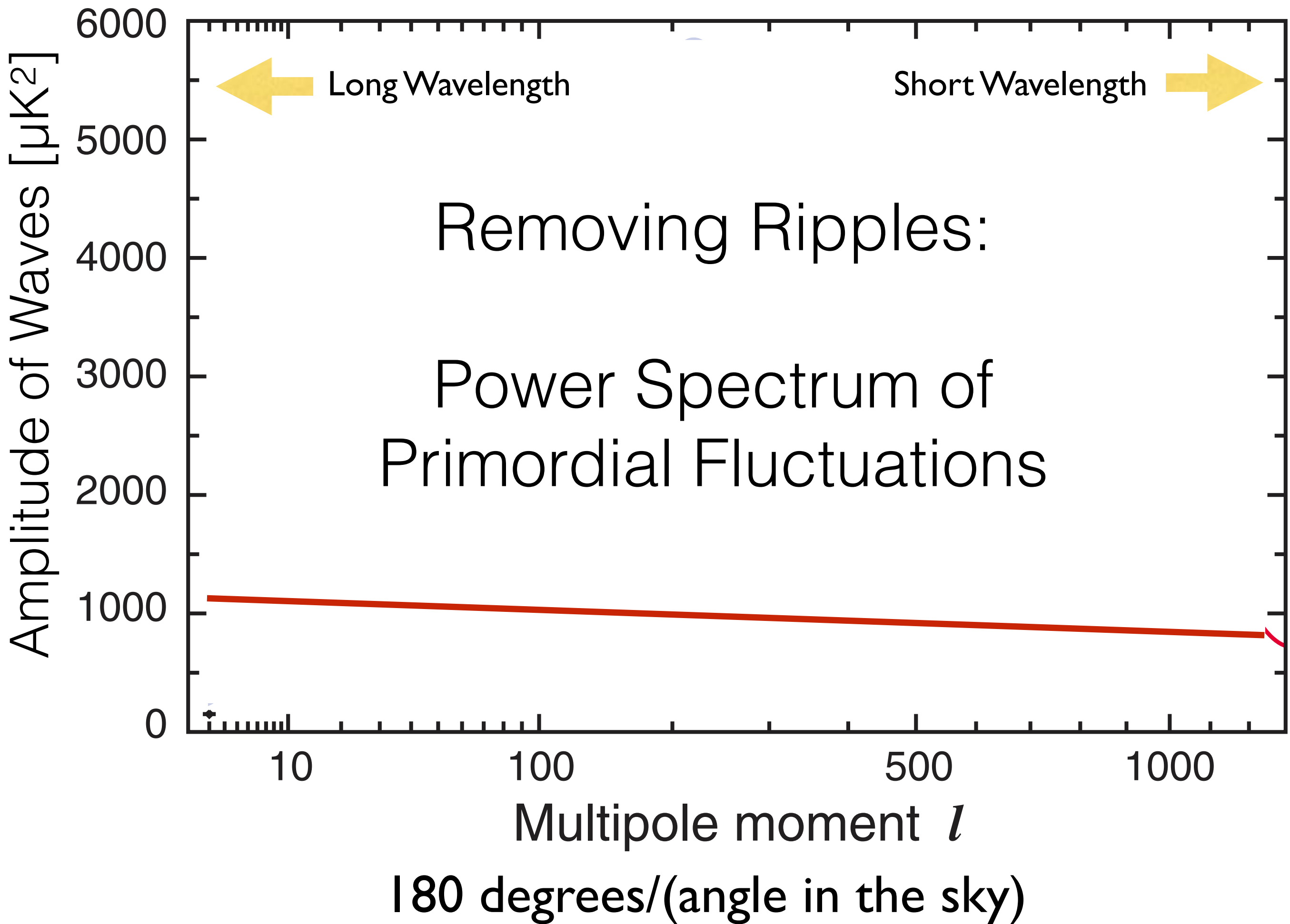
- Both scalar ( $\zeta$ ) and tensor ( $h_{ij}$ ) perturbations are proportional to  $H$
- Consequence of the uncertainty principle
  - [energy you can borrow]  $\sim$  [time you borrow] $^{-1} \sim H$
- **THE KEY:** The earlier the fluctuations are generated, the more its wavelength is stretched, and thus the bigger the angles they subtend in the sky. **We can map  $H(t)$  by measuring CMB fluctuations over a wide range of angles**

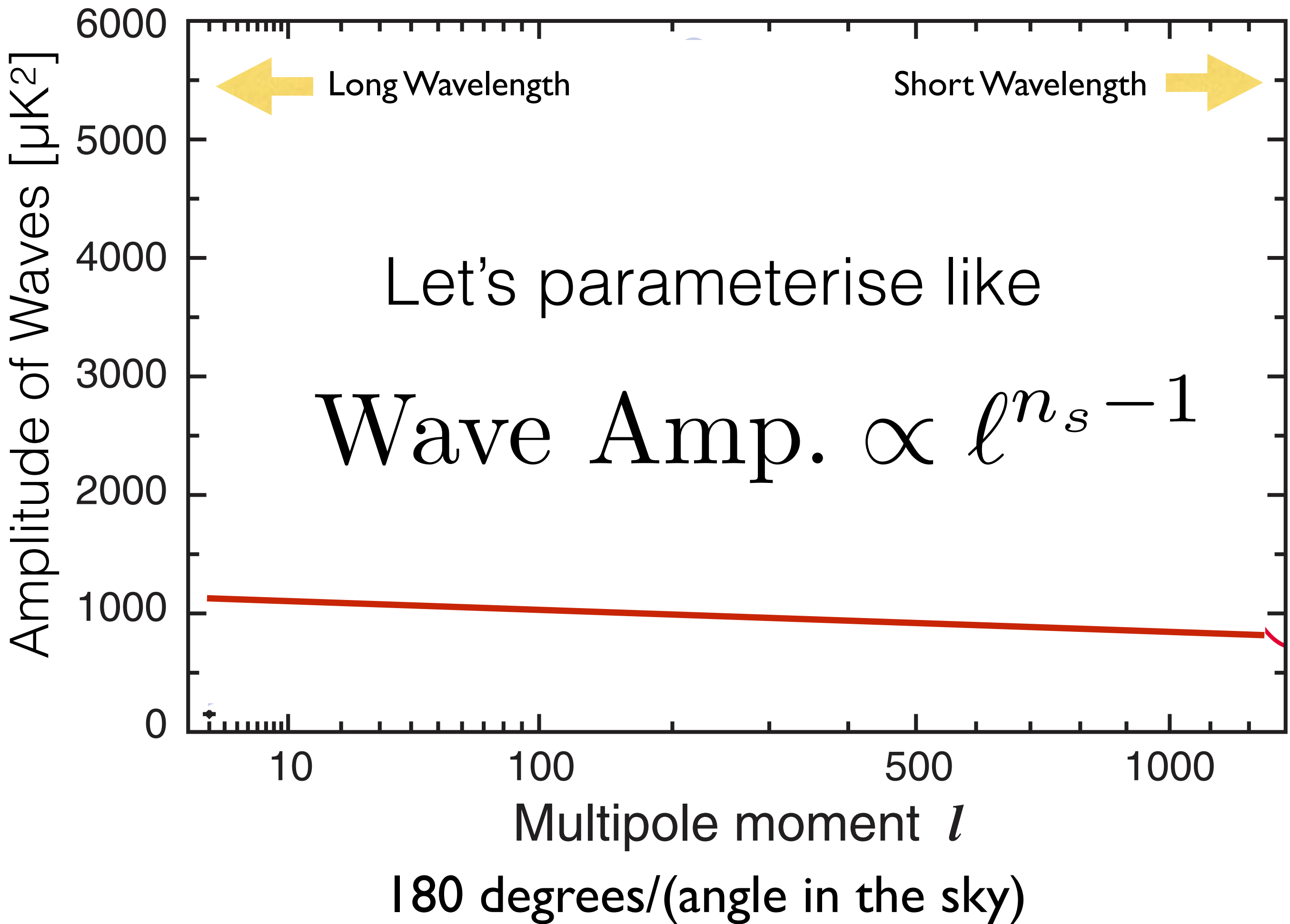




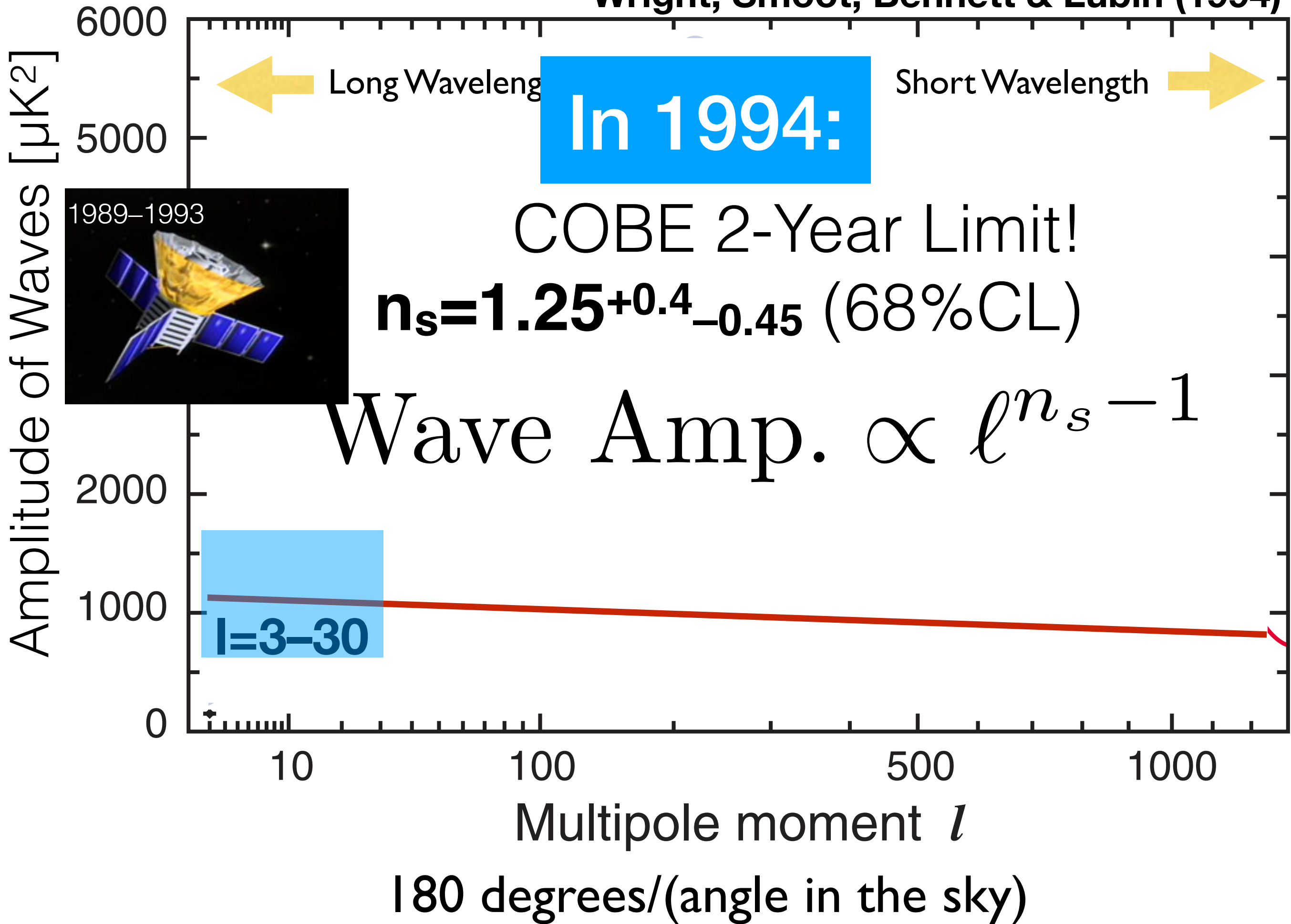


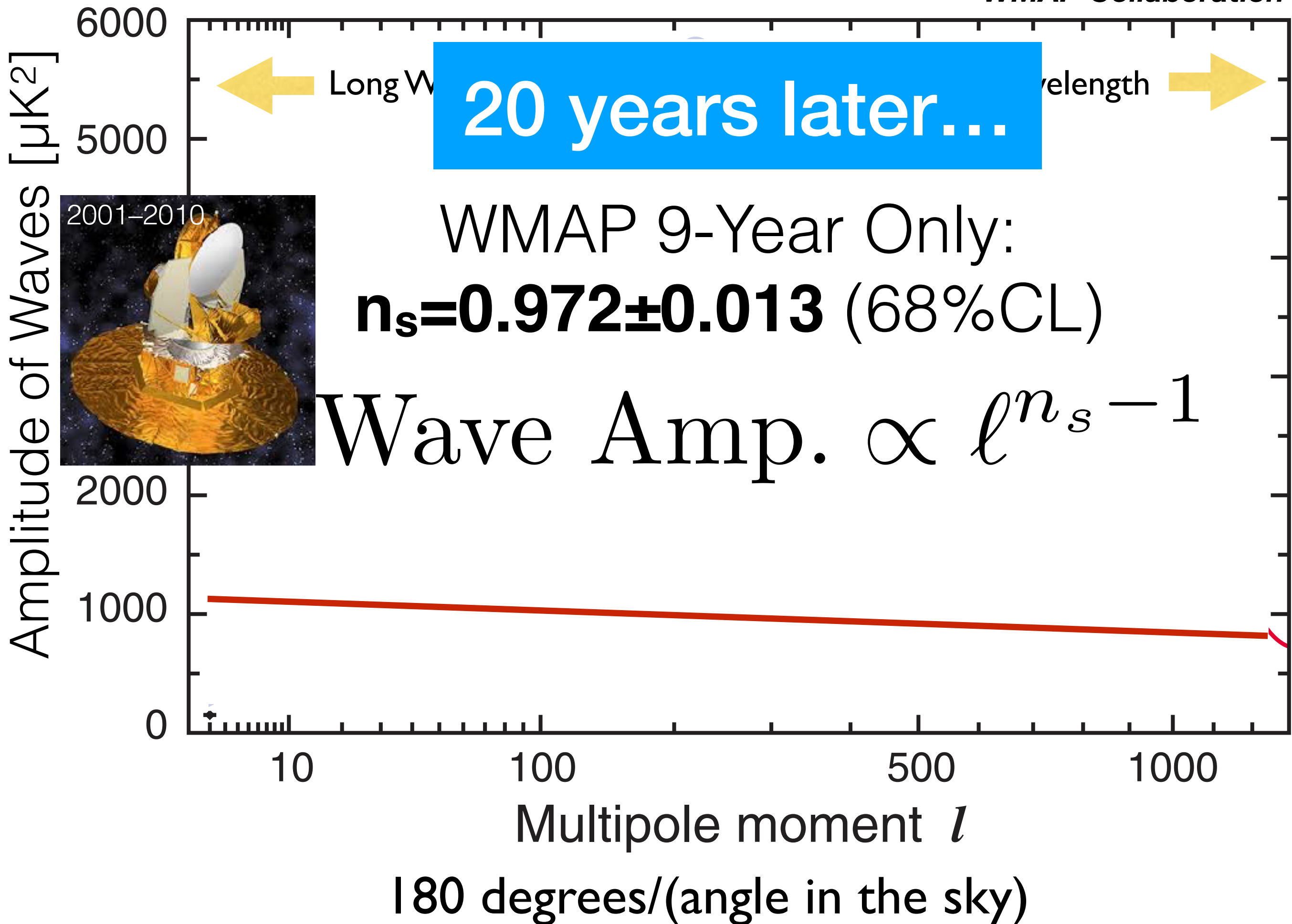














Angular scale

WMAP Collaboration

90°

2°

0.5°

0.2°

0.1°

Amplitude of  $\Delta\kappa^2$

2001–2010

South Pole Telescope  
[10-m in South Pole]

$$n_s = 0.965 \pm 0.010$$

Atacama Cosmology Telescope  
[6-m in Chile]

100

10

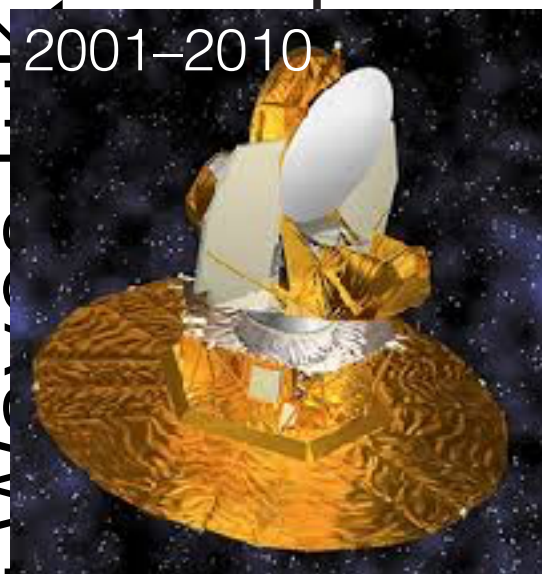
100

500

1000

2000

Multipole moment  $l$



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Amplitude of  $\Delta T_{\text{CMB}}^2$

2001–2010

South Pole Telescope  
[10-m in South Pole]

$n_s = 0.961 \pm 0.008$

~5 $\sigma$  discovery of  $n_s < 1$  from the  
CMB data combined with the  
distribution of galaxies

Atacama Cosmology Telescope  
[6-m in Chile]

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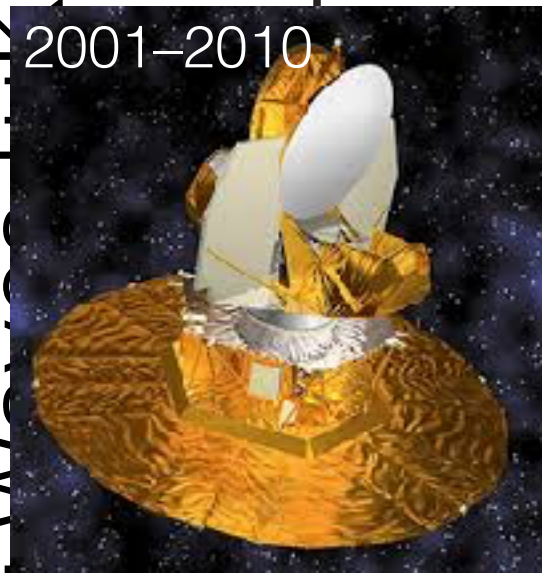
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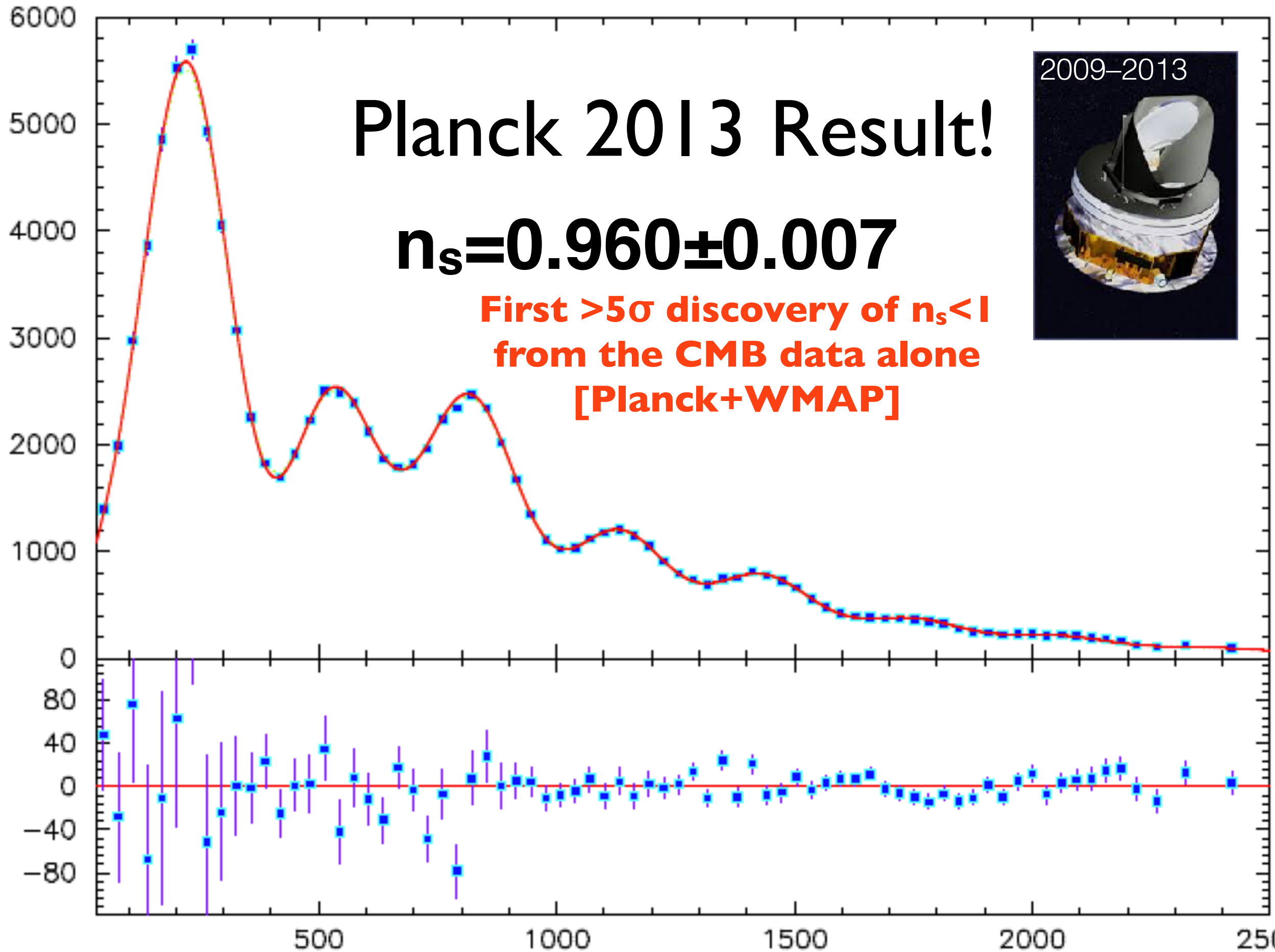
Residual Amplitude of Waves [ $\mu\text{K}^2$ ]

# Planck 2013 Result!

$$n_s = 0.960 \pm 0.007$$

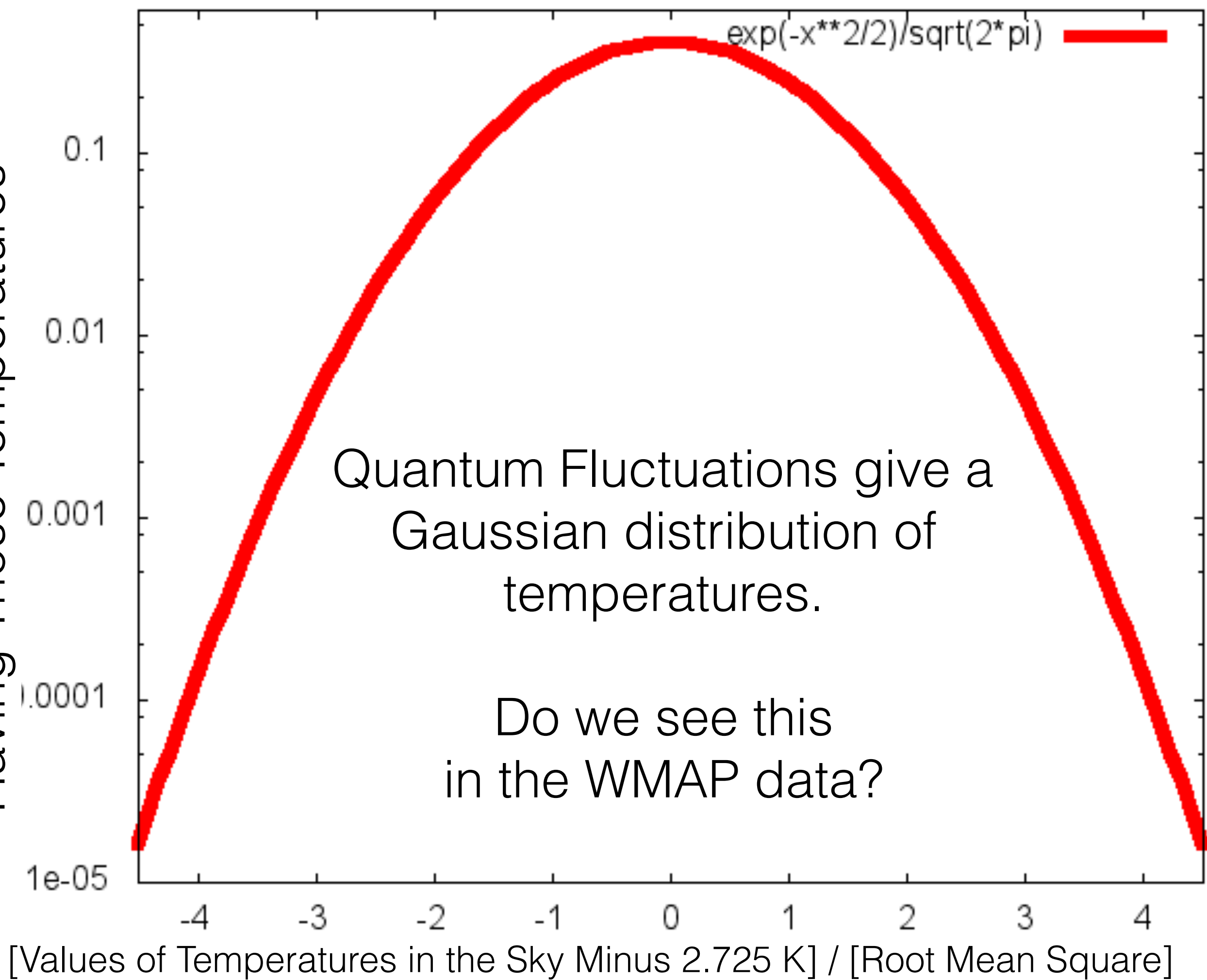
First  $>5\sigma$  discovery of  $n_s < 1$   
from the CMB data alone  
[Planck+WMAP]

2009–2013



$l$  80 degrees/(angle in the sky)

Fraction of the Number of Pixels  
Having Those Temperatures





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Having Those Temperatures

*WMAP Collaboration*

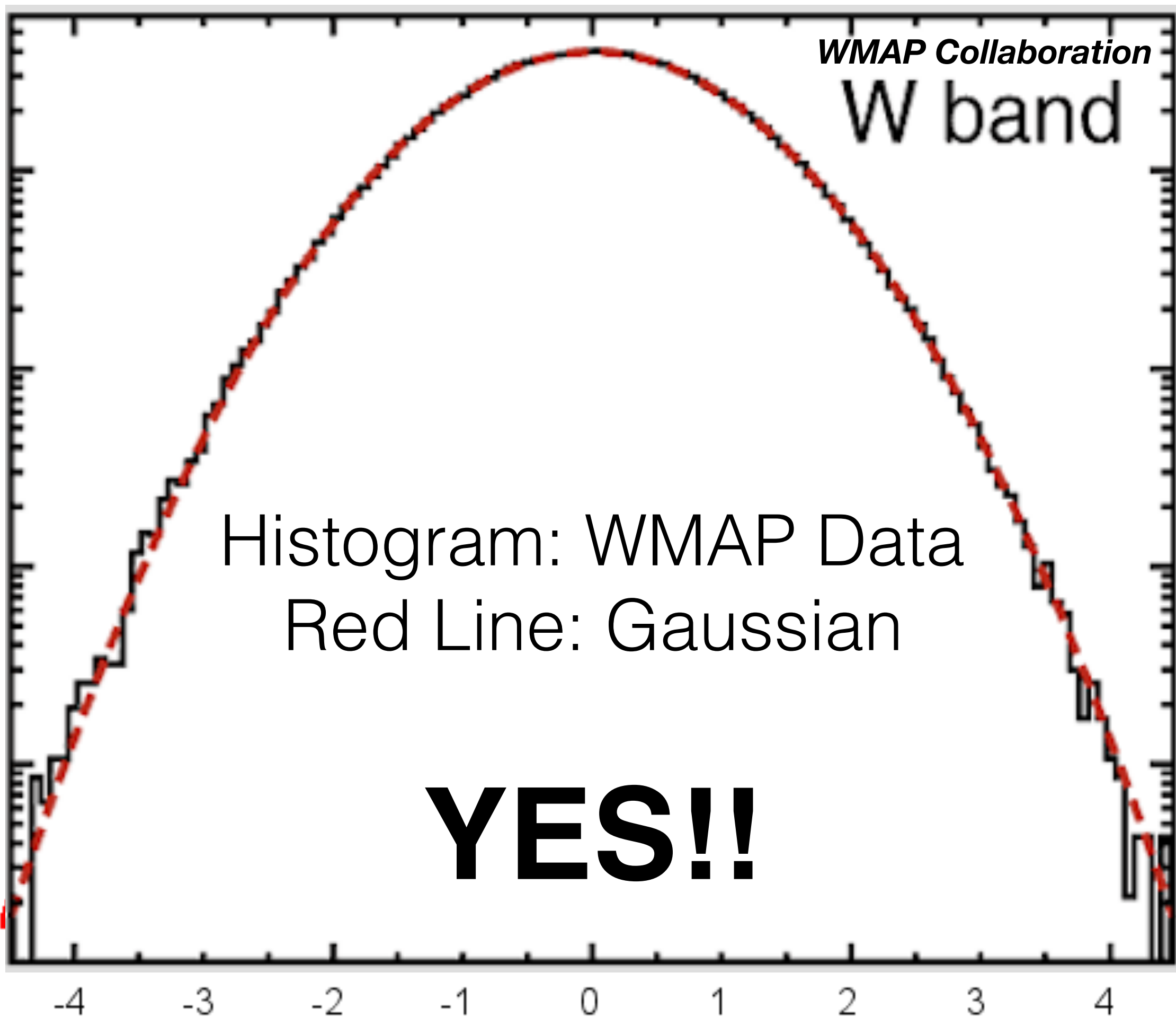
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0.1  
0.01  
0.001  
0.0001  
1e-05

Histogram: WMAP Data  
Red Line: Gaussian

**YES!!**

[Values of Temperatures in the Sky Minus 2.725 K] / [Root Mean Square]



# So, have we found inflation?

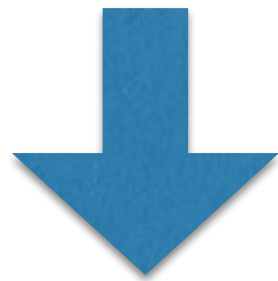
- Single-field slow-roll inflation looks remarkably good:
  - **Super-horizon fluctuation**
  - **Adiabaticity**
  - **Gaussianity**
  - **$n_s < 1$**
- What more do we want? **Gravitational waves**. Why?
  - Because the “*extraordinary claim requires extraordinary evidence*”



# Measuring GW

- GW changes distances between two points

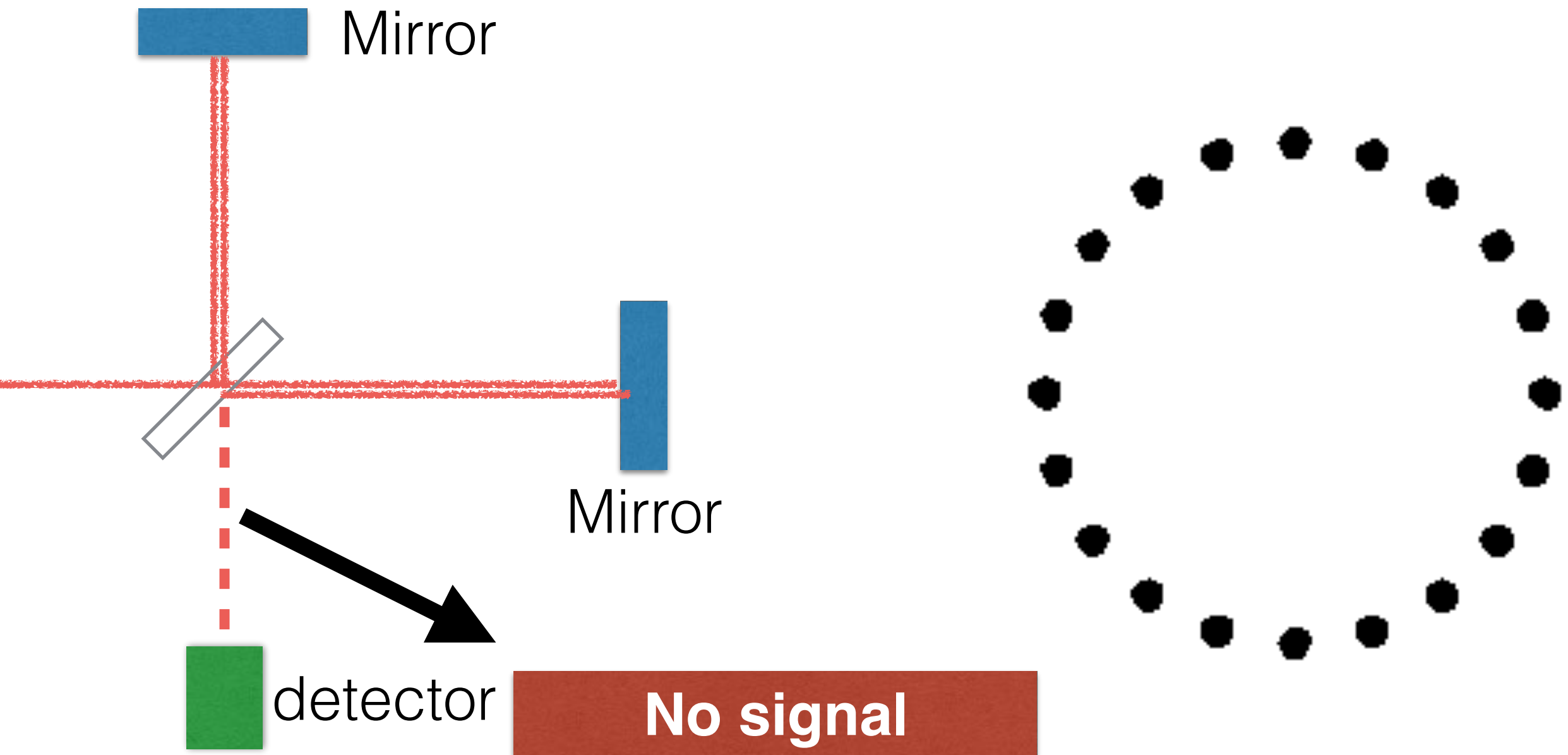
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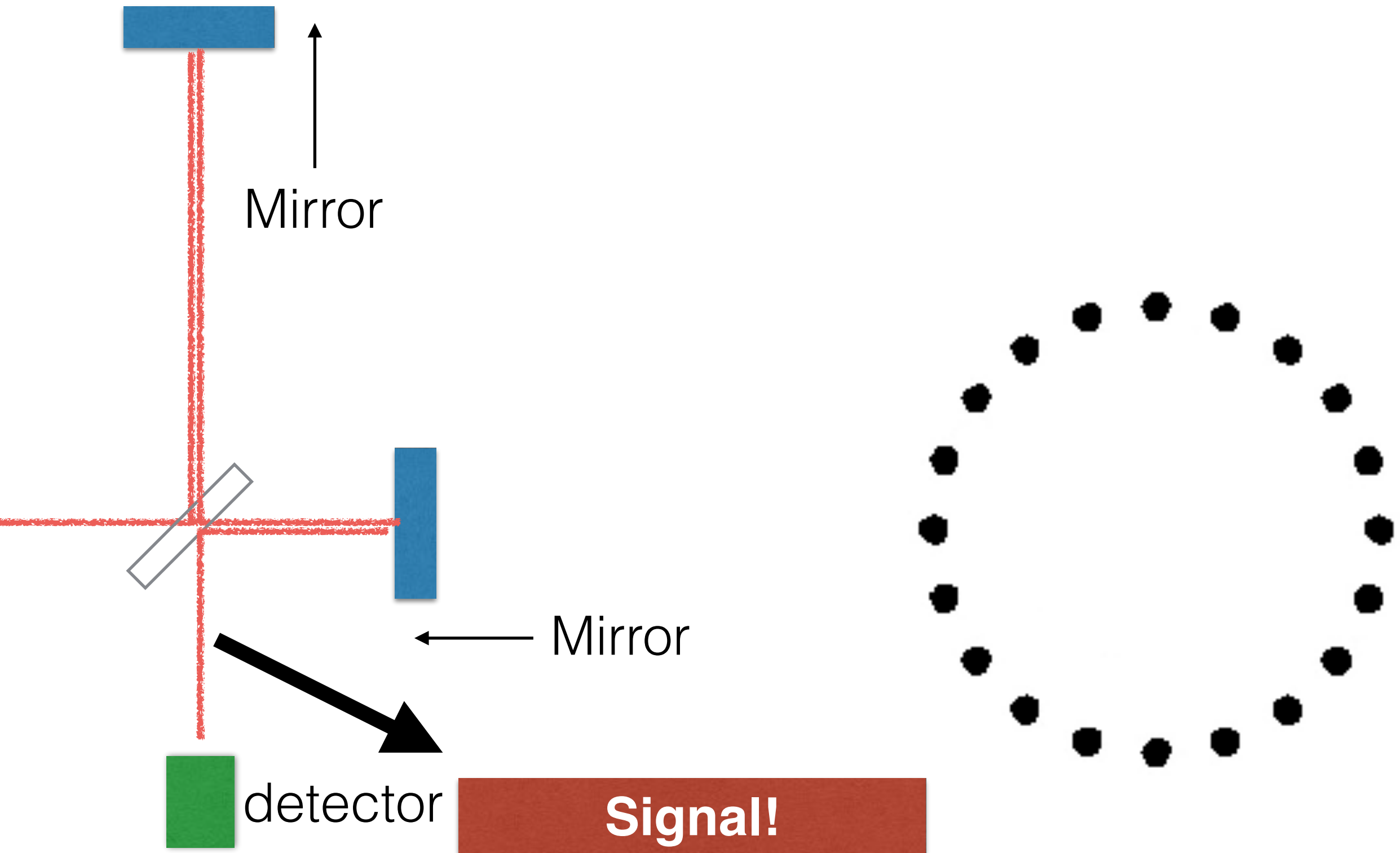


# Laser Interferometer





# Laser Interferometer



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?

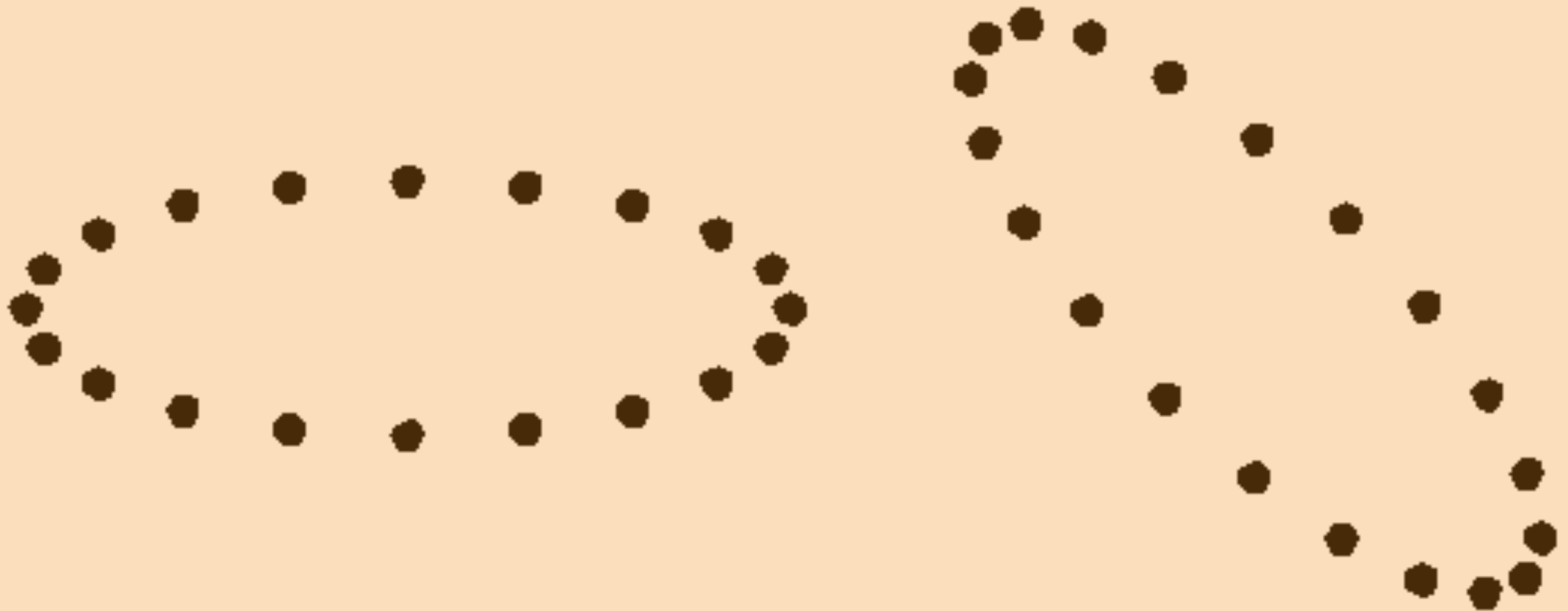
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Isotropic electro-magnetic fields



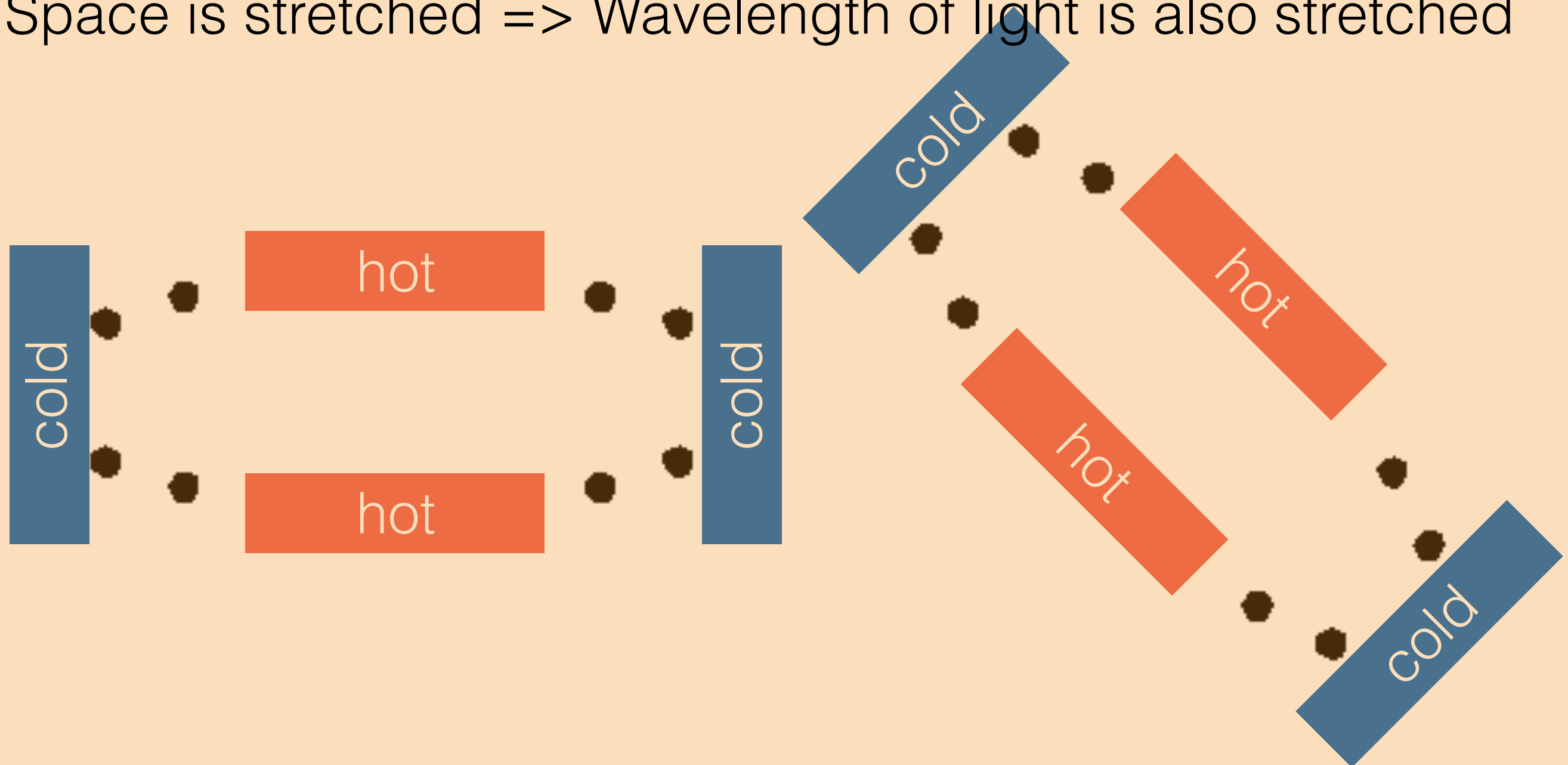
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GW propagating in isotropic electro-magnetic fields



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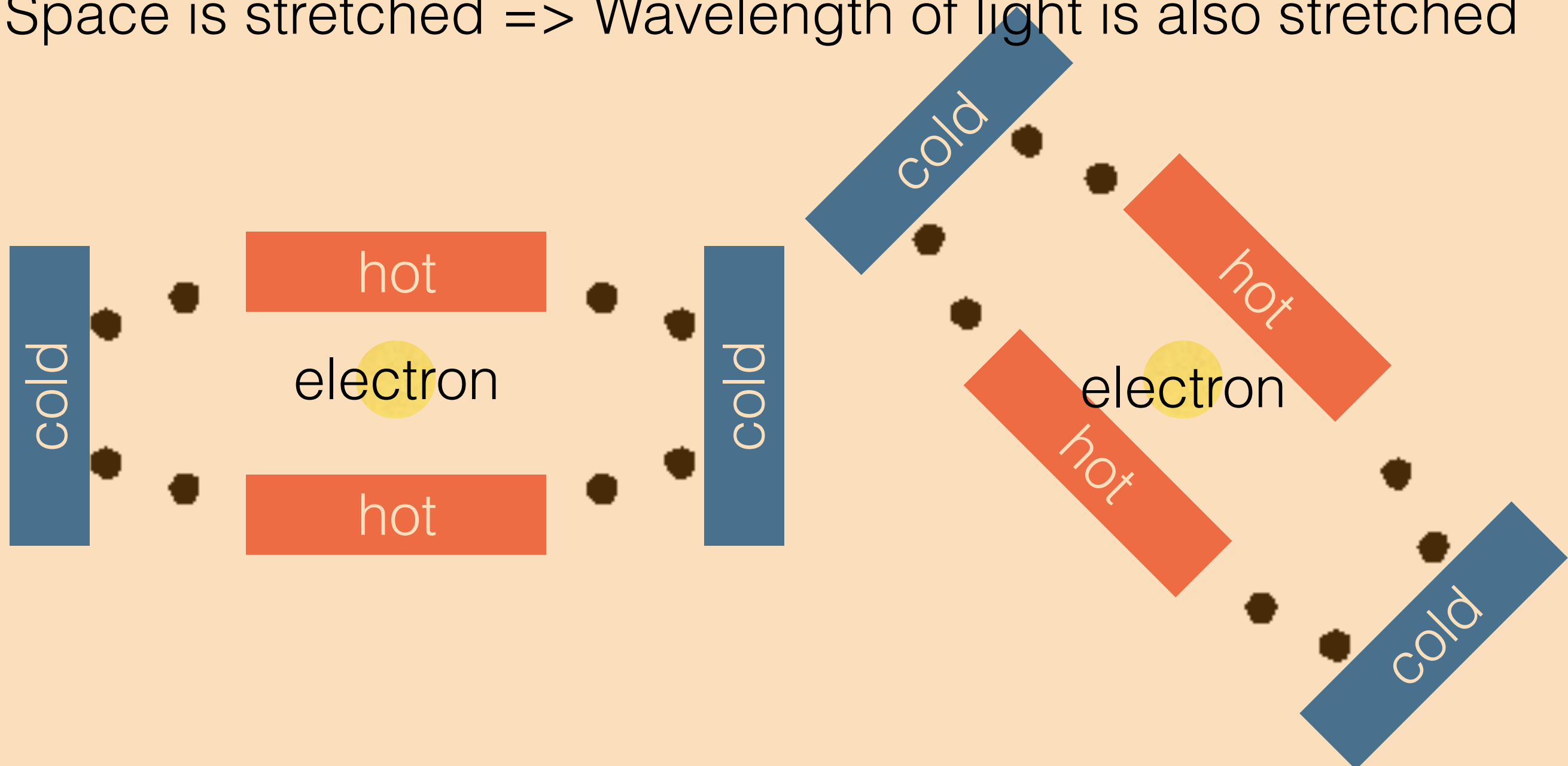
Space is stretched => Wavelength of light is also stretched



# Detecting GW by CMB

## Polarisation

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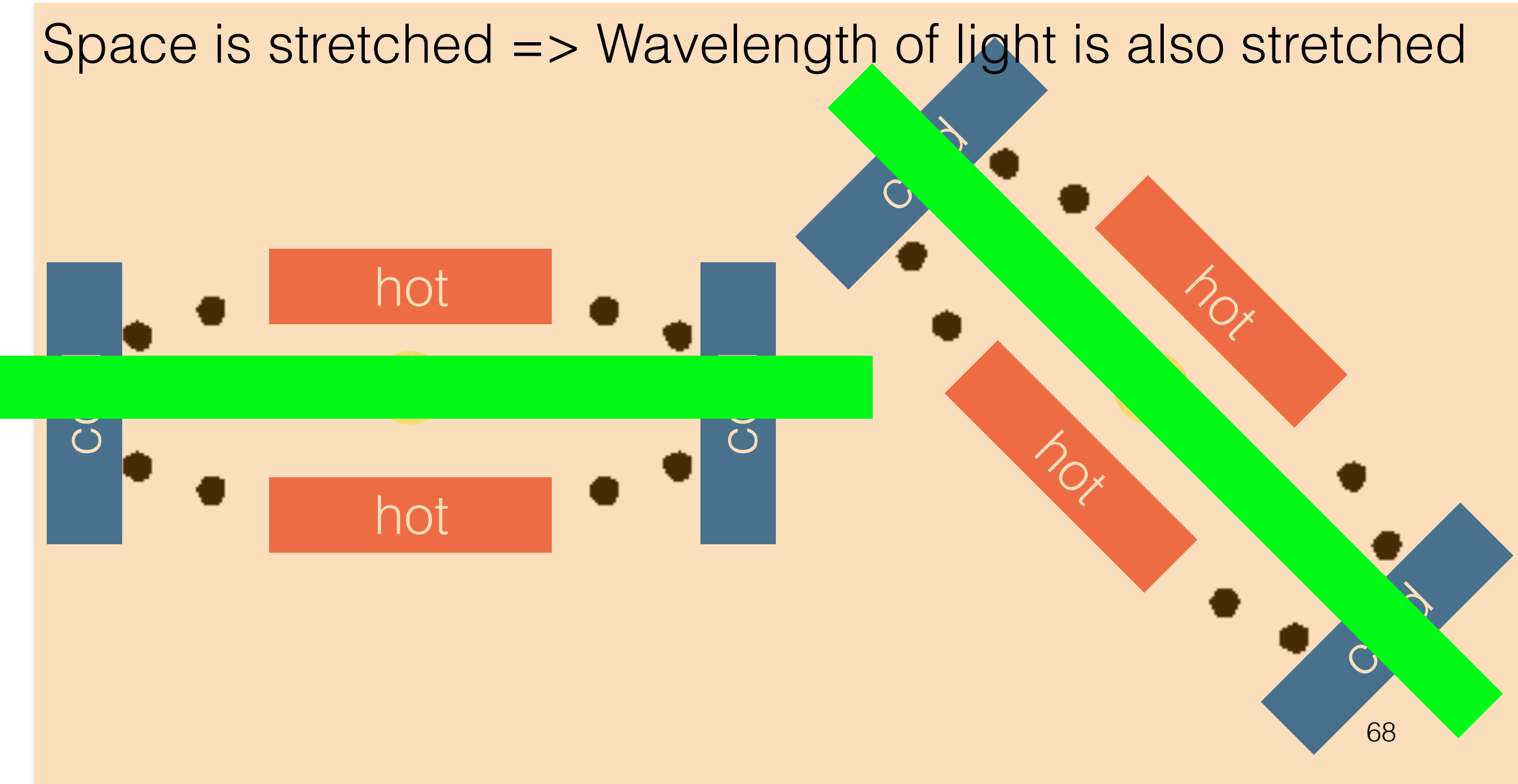


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horizontally polarised



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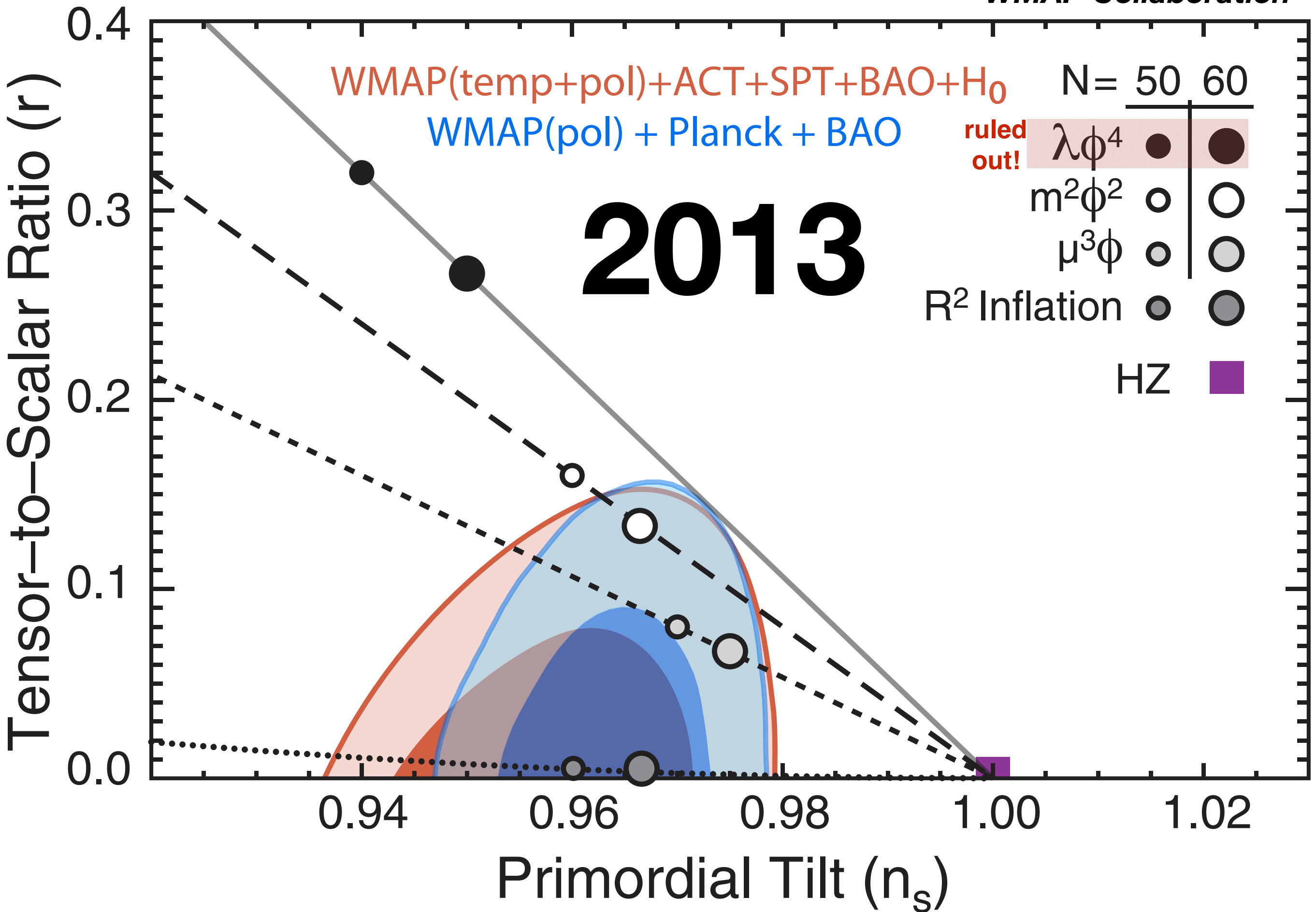


# Tensor-to-scalar Ratio

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

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

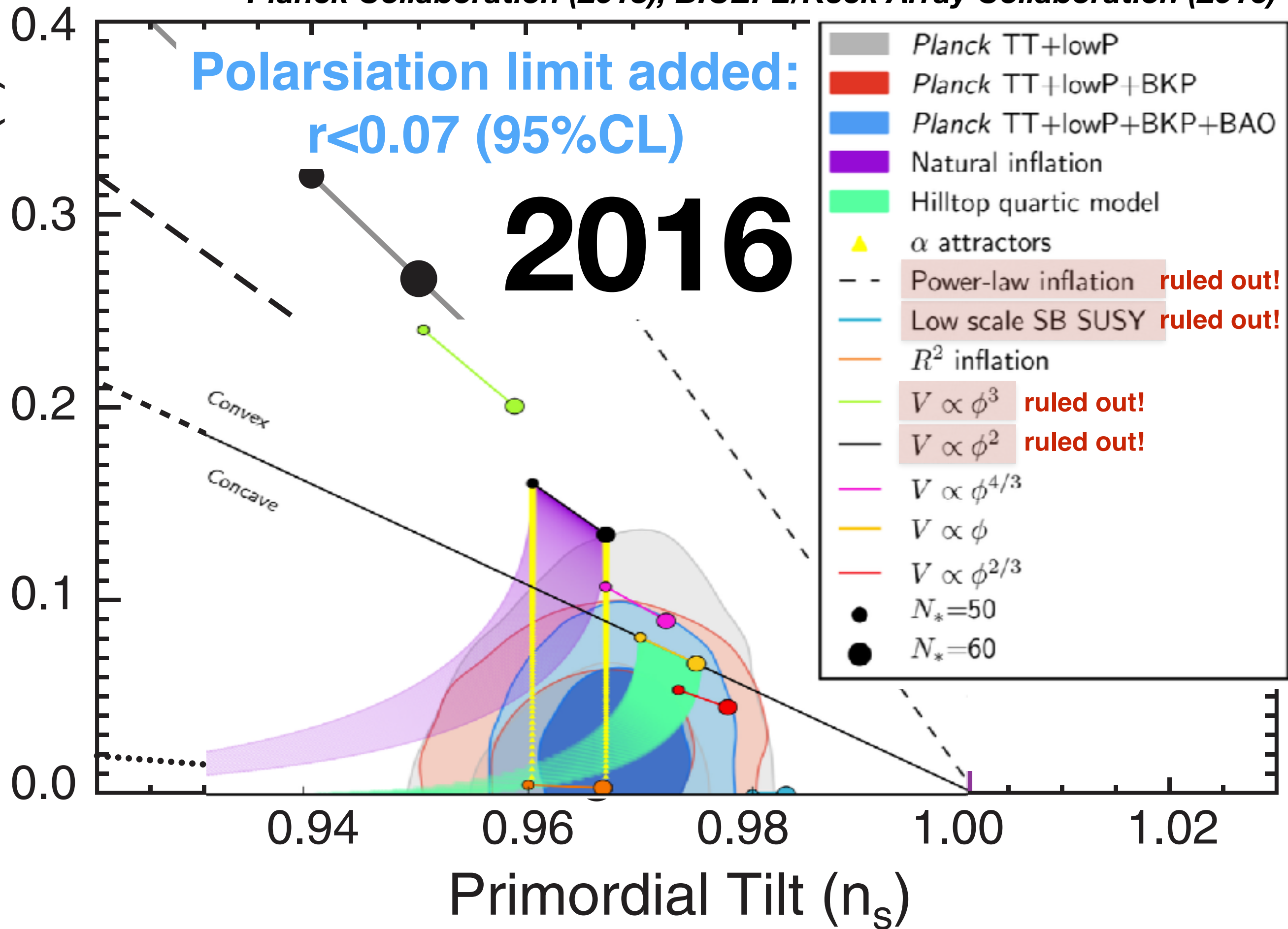
BICEP2/Keck Array Collaboration (2018)



Tensor-to-Scalar Ratio ( $r$ )

Polarisation limit added:  
 $r < 0.07$  (95%CL)

2016

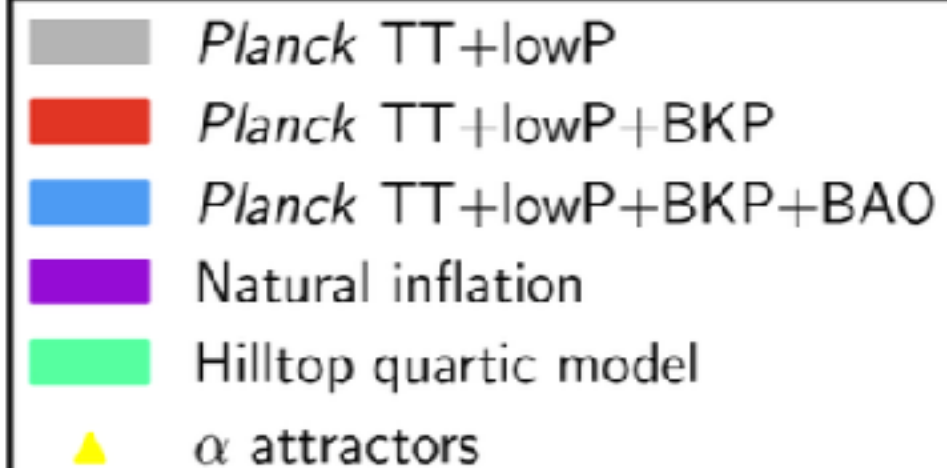




Planck Collaboration (2015); BICEP2/Keck Array Collaboration (2016)

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2018

$r < 0.06$   
(95%CL)

BICEP2/Keck Array  
Collaboration (2018)

Planck TT+ $\tau$  prior+lensing+BAO

+BK15

Power-law inflation ruled out!

scale SB SUSY ruled out!

inflation

$\phi^3$  ruled out!

$\phi^2$  ruled out!

$\phi^{4/3}$

$\phi$

$\phi^{2/3}$

50

60

Convex

Concave

Convex  
Concave

$N=50$

$N=60$

0.94

0.96

0.98

1.00

1.02

Primordial Tilt ( $n_s$ )

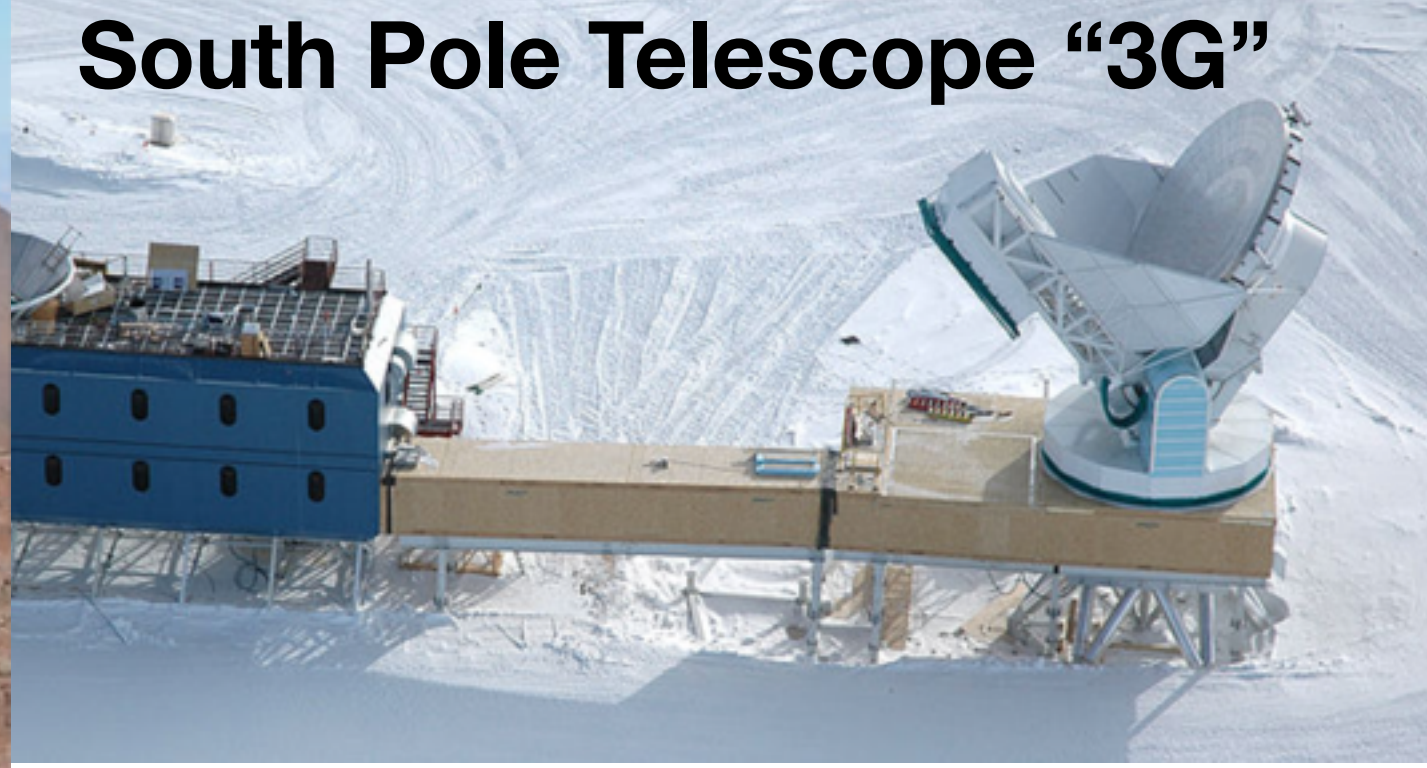
# Experimental Landscape



# Advanced Atacama Cosmology Telescope

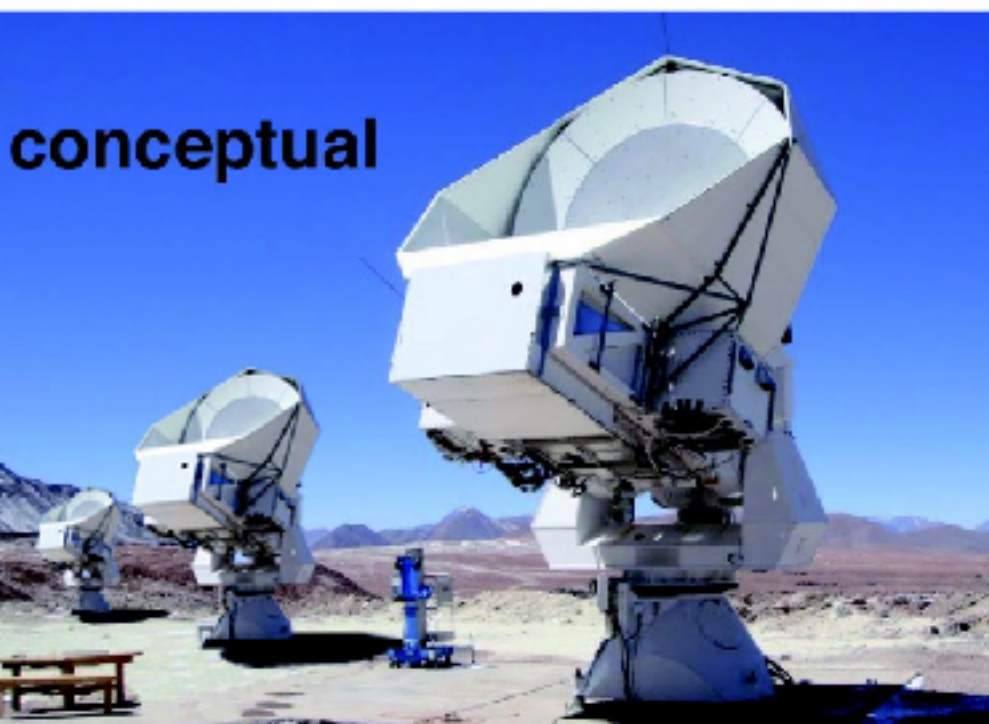


# South Pole Telescope “3G”



# What comes next?

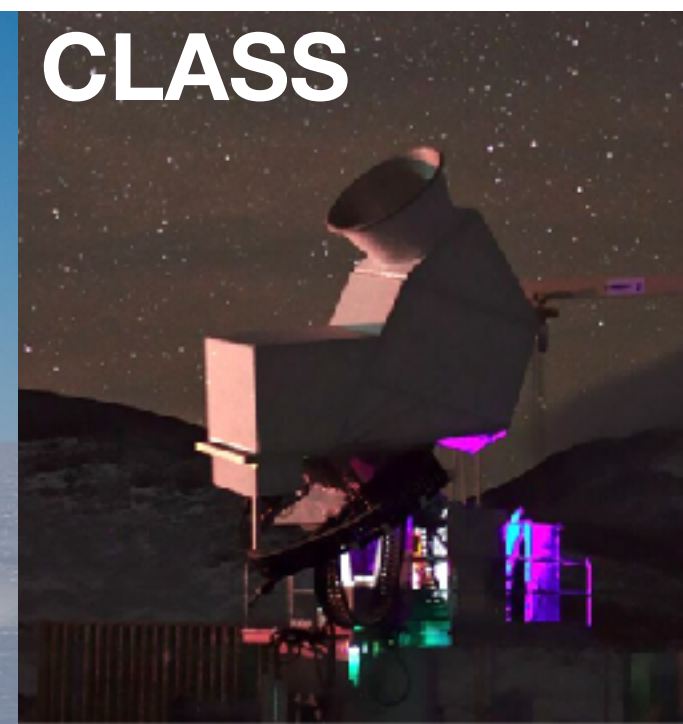
## The Simons Array



## BICEP/Keck Array



## CLASS

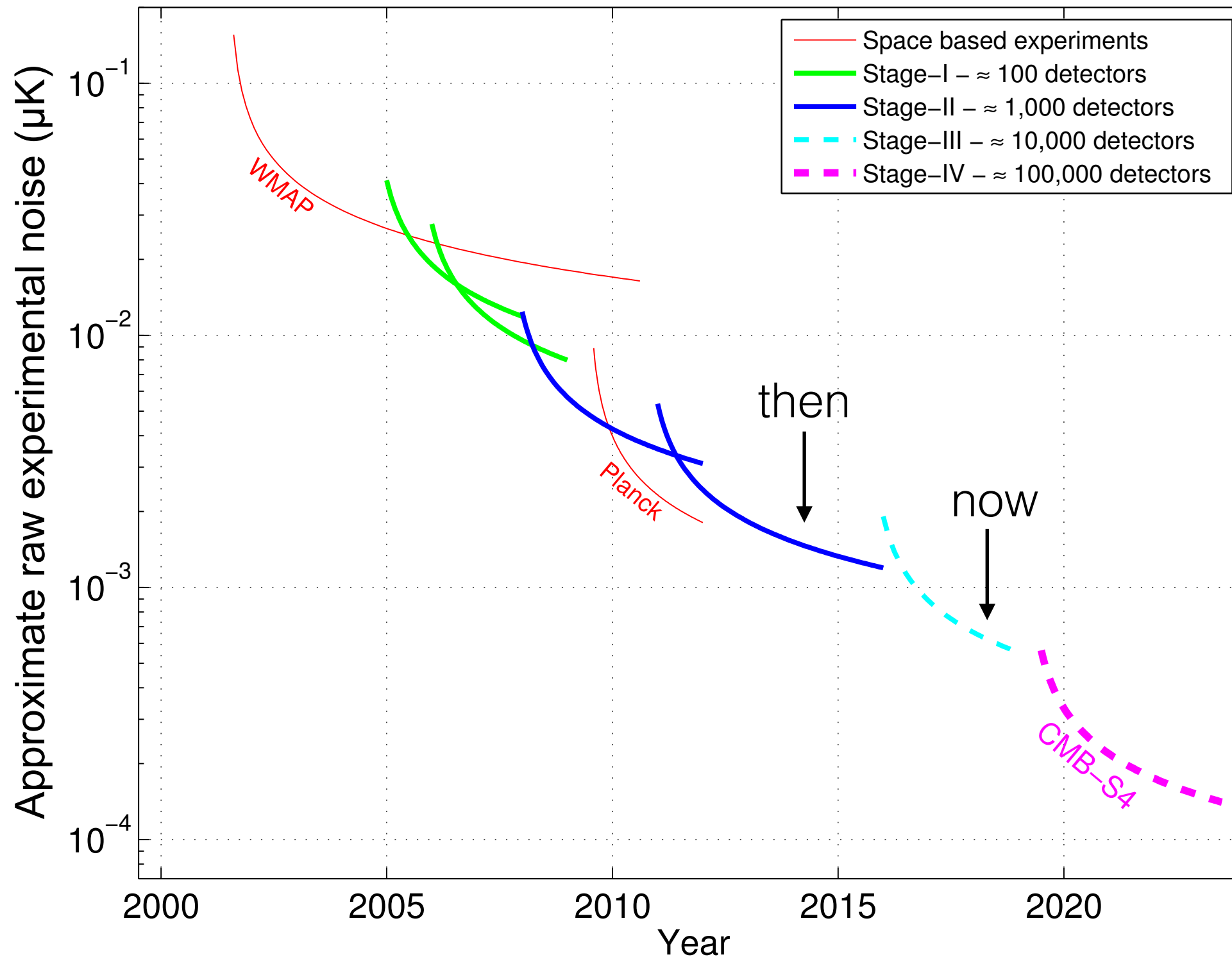




# CMB-S4

Next Generation CMB Experiment

## CMB Stages



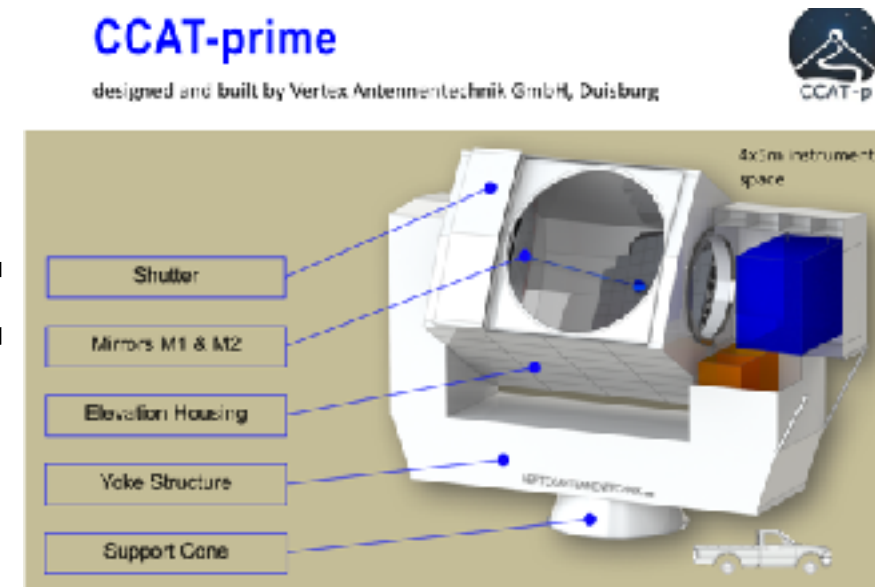
# The Biggest Enemy: Polarised Dust Emission

- 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-prime!**

# A Game Changer

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

- **Germany makes great telescopes!**

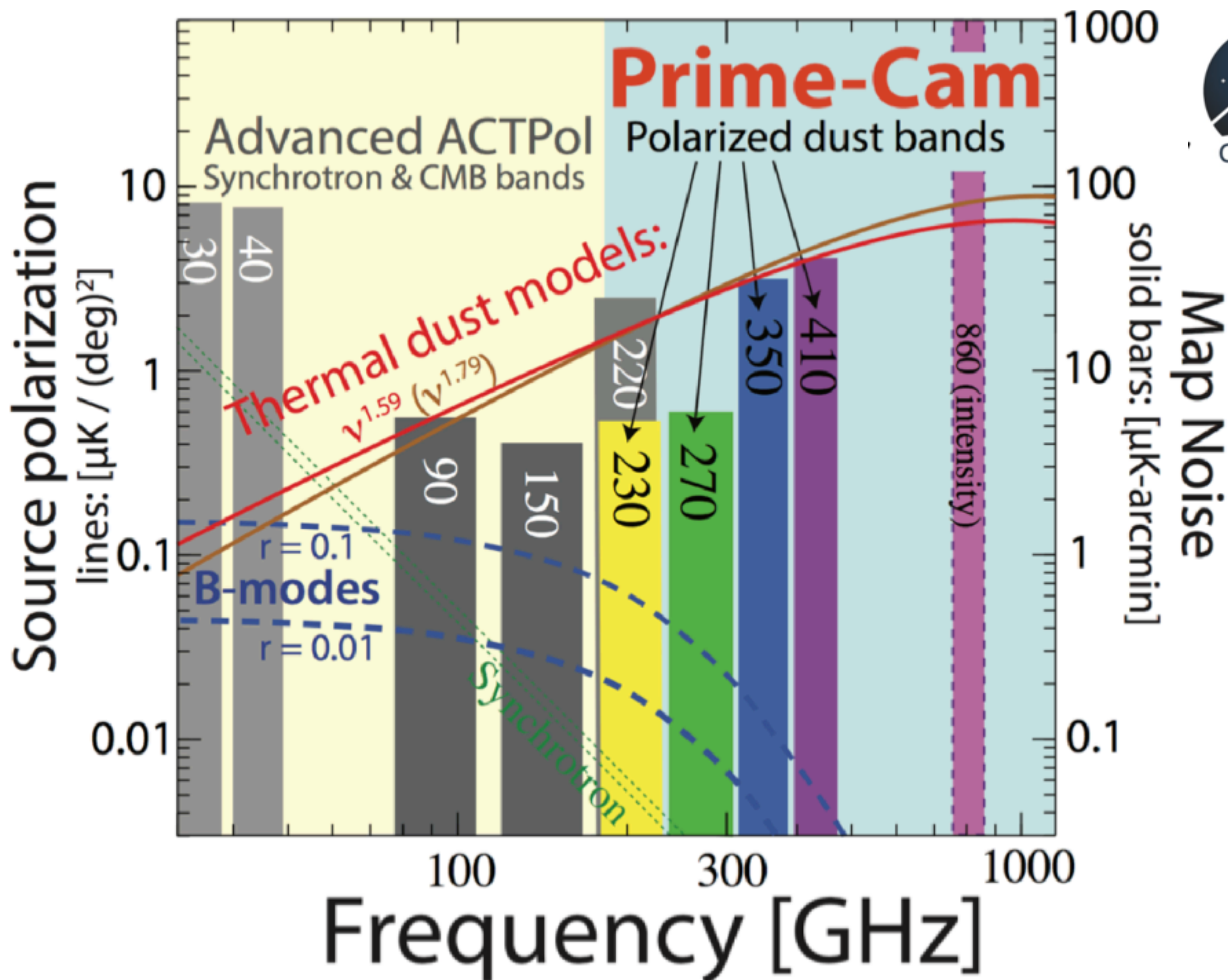


- Design study completed, and the contract has been signed by "VERTEX Antennentechnik GmbH"

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

**German consortium is led by Köln and Bonn**







# Where is CCAT-p?

**Cerro Chajnantor at 5600 m w/ TAO**

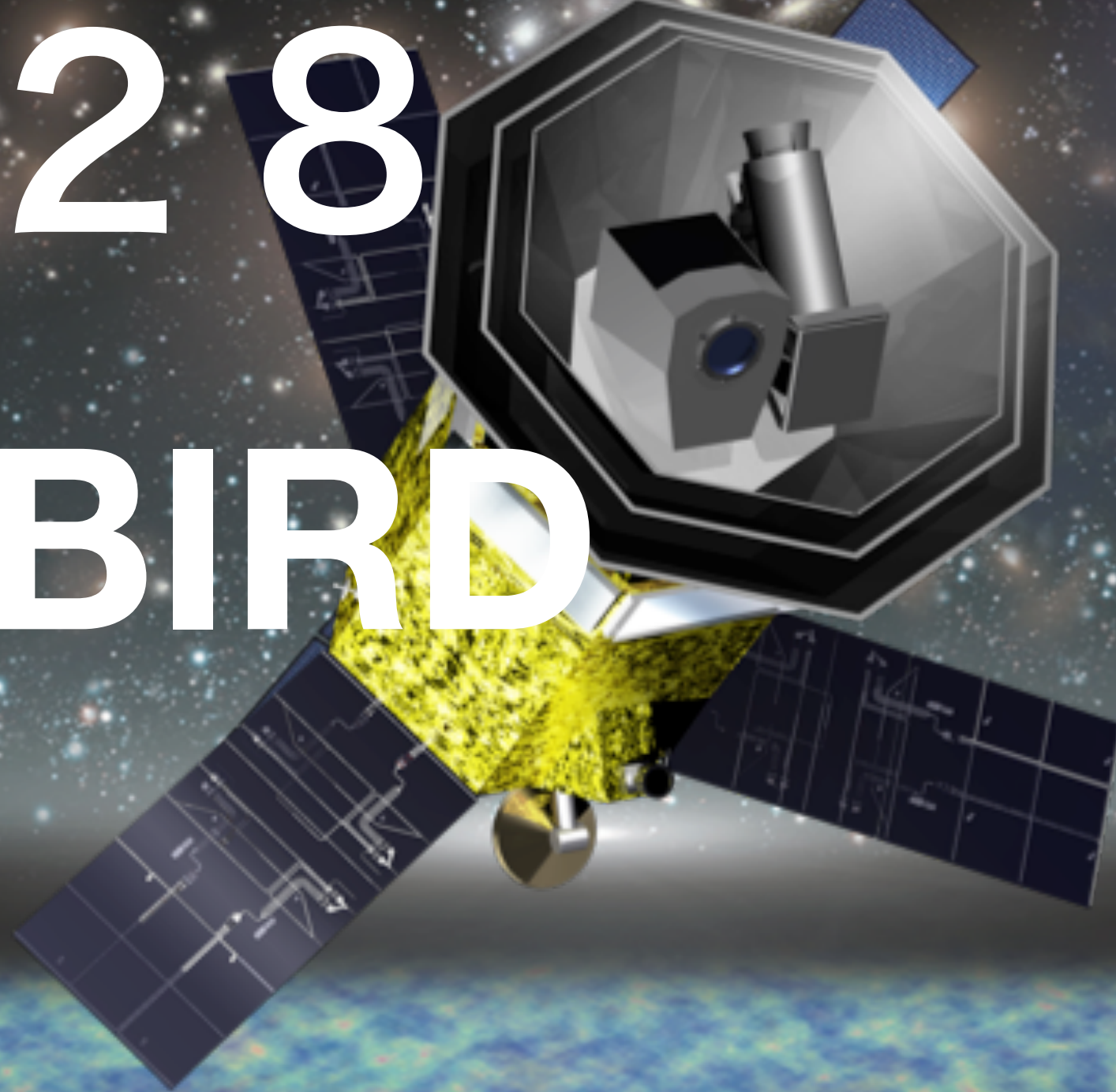


**To have more  
frequency coverage...**



2028

LiteBIRD



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

JAXA

+ participations from USA,  
Canada, Europe



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# LiteBIRD

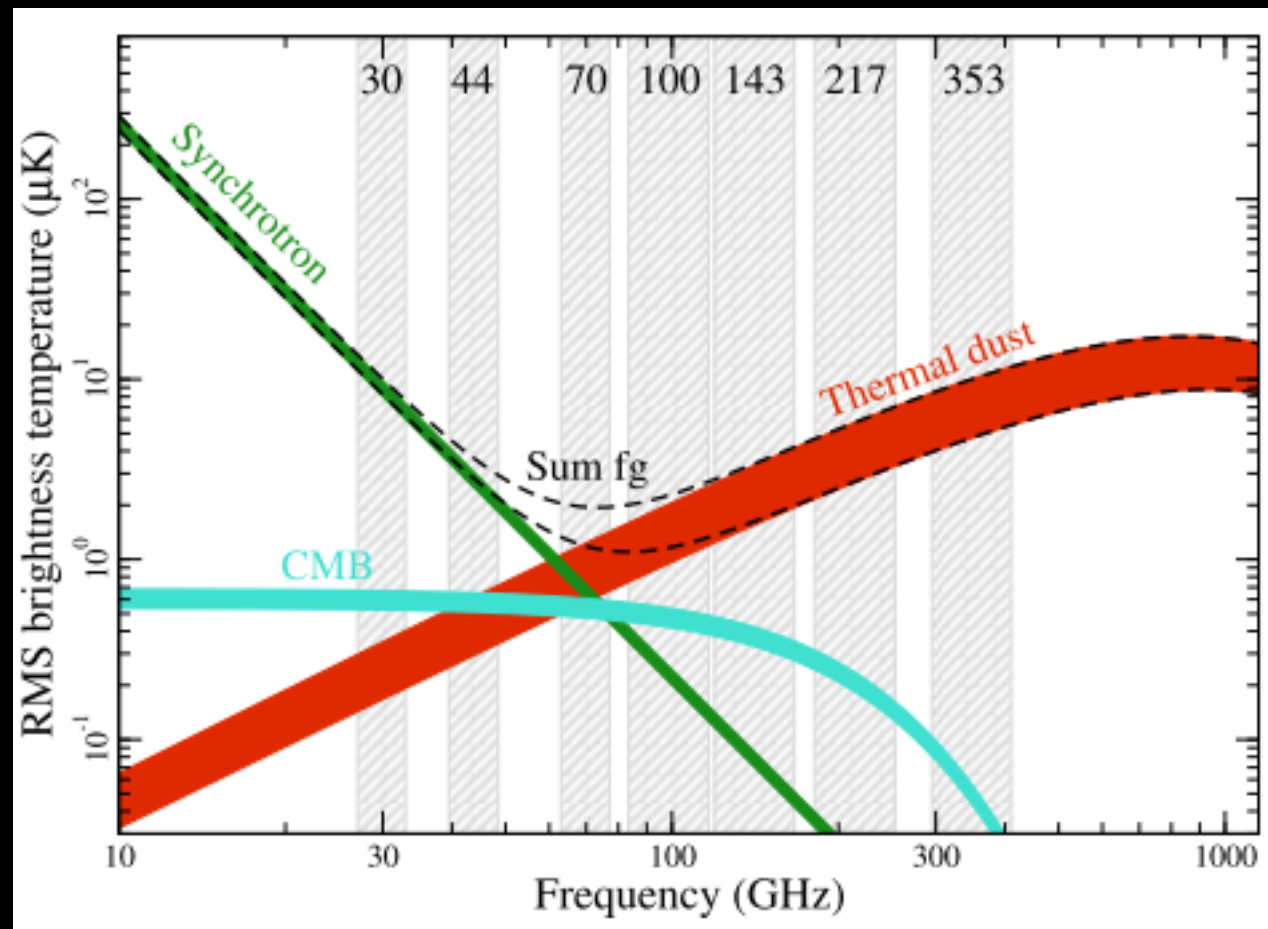
Polarisation satellite dedicated to  
measure CMB polarisation from  
primordial GW, with a few thousand  
super-conducting detectors in space

# Summary

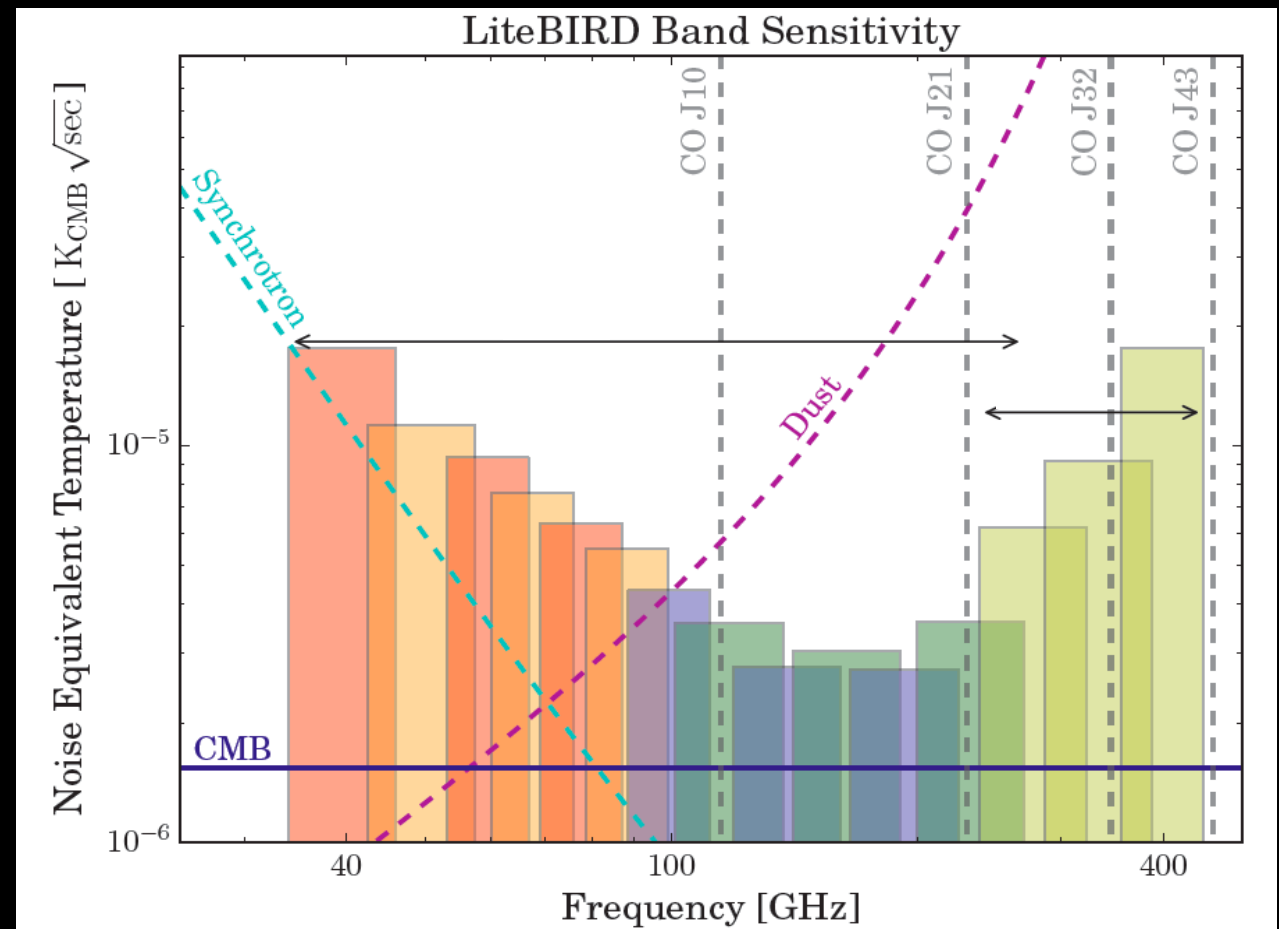
- Theory of the early Universe:
  - Inflation looks good: all the CMB data support it
- Next frontier:
  - Using CMB polarisation to find GWs from inflation.  
**Definitive evidence for inflation!**
  - With CCAT-prime [2021–], we plan to reach  $r \sim 10^{-2}$ , i.e., 10 times better than the current bound
  - With LiteBIRD [2028–], we plan to reach  $r \sim 10^{-3}$



# Foreground Removal



Polarized galactic emission (Planck X)

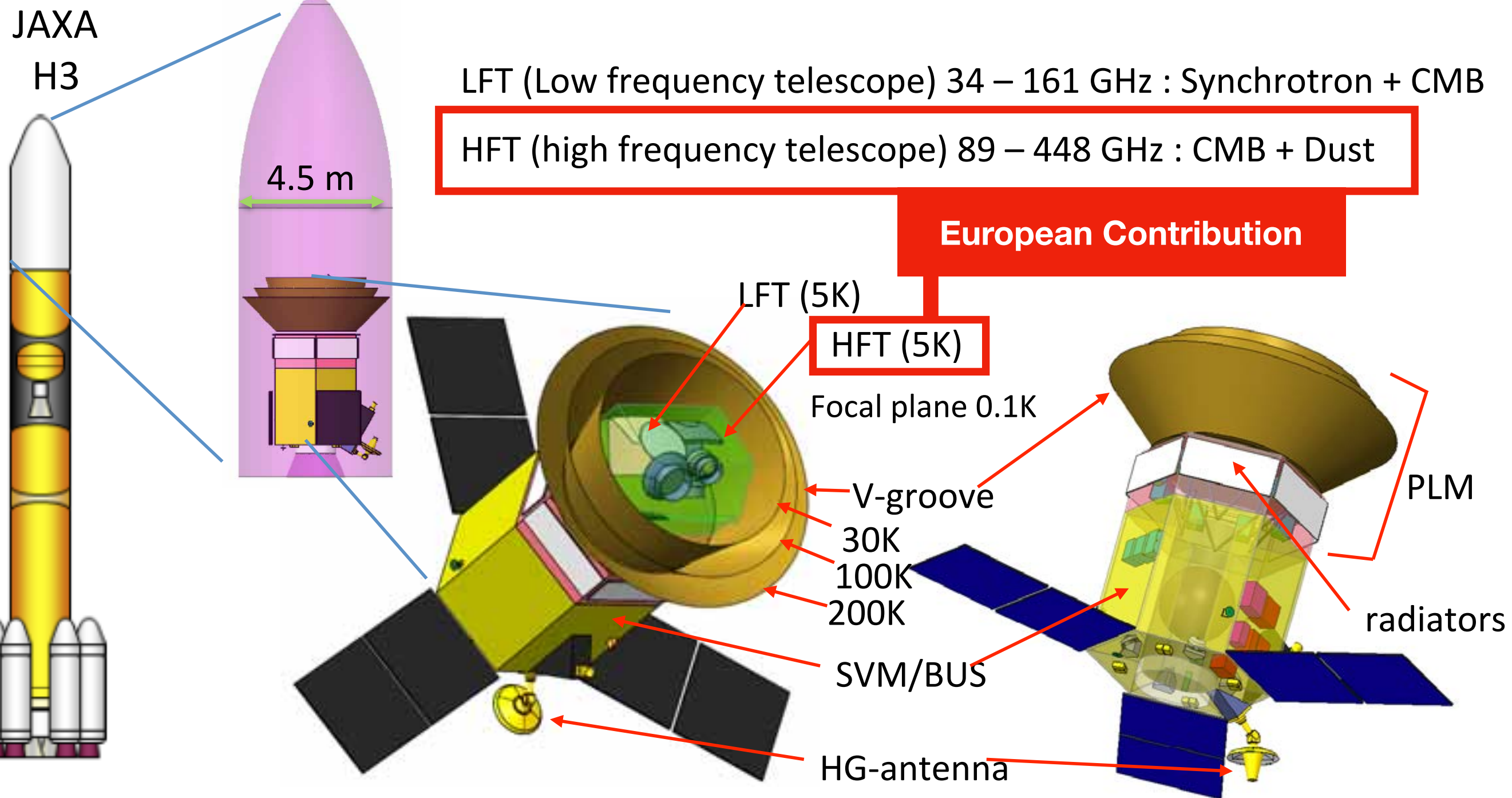
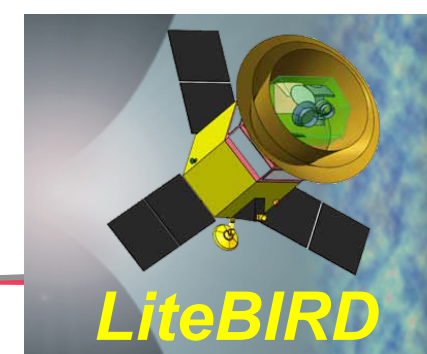


LiteBIRD: 15 frequency bands

- 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

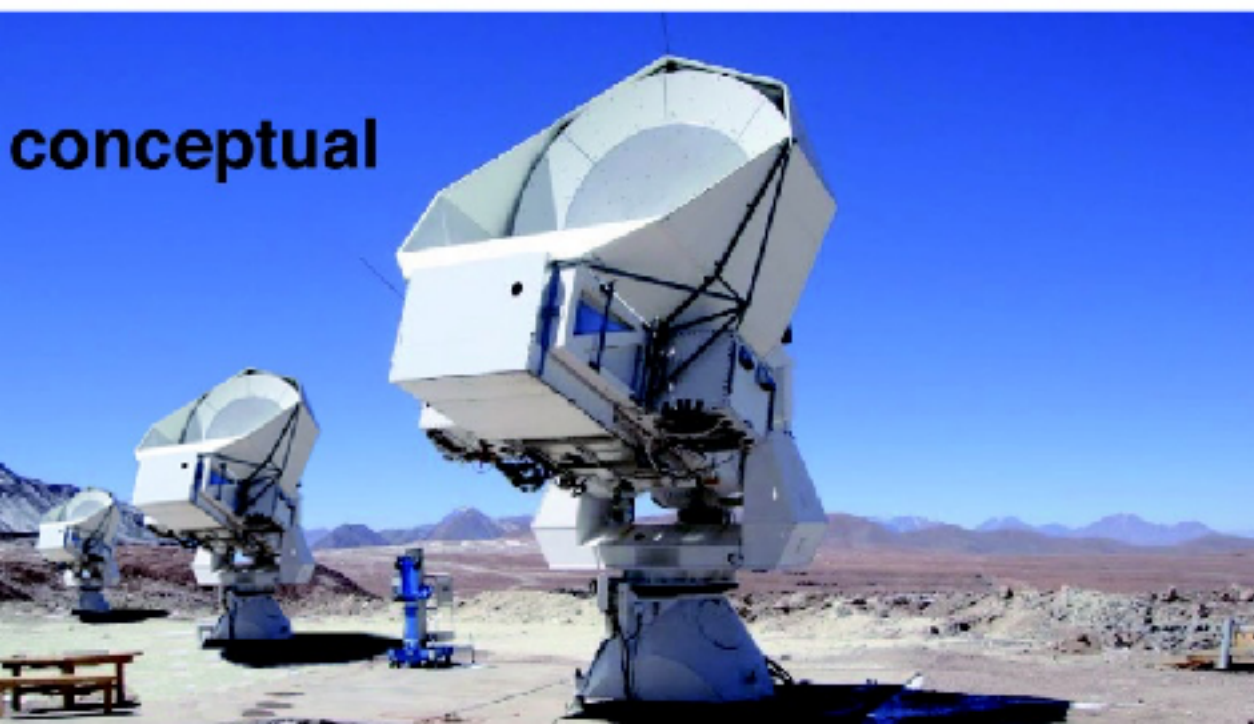
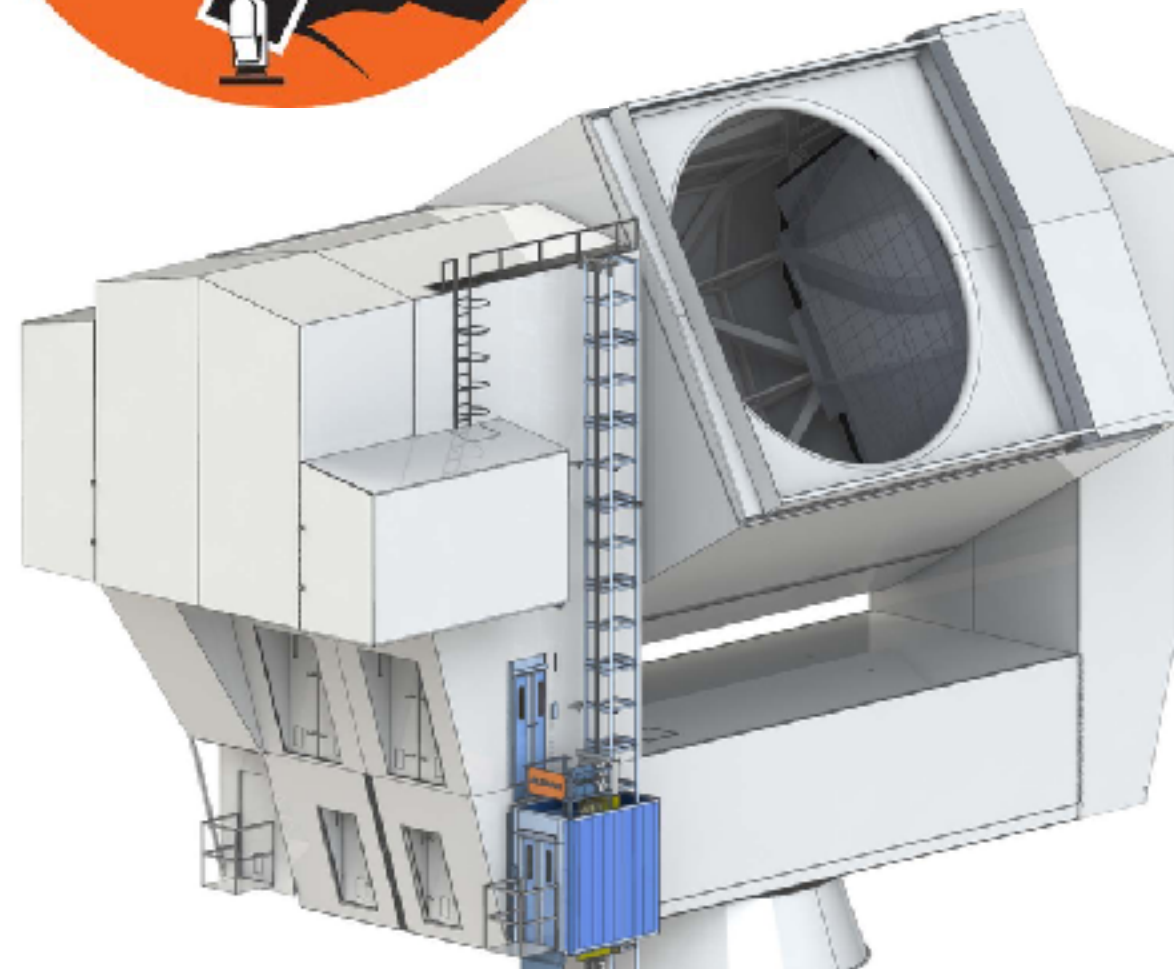




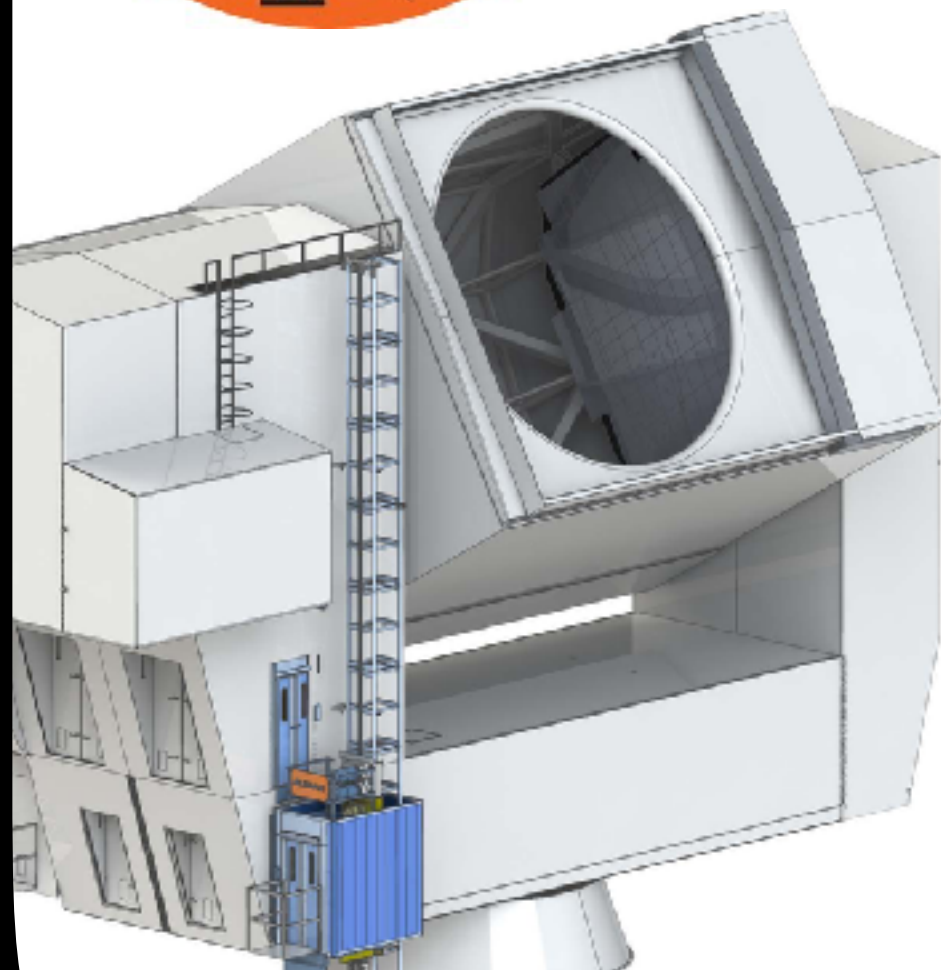
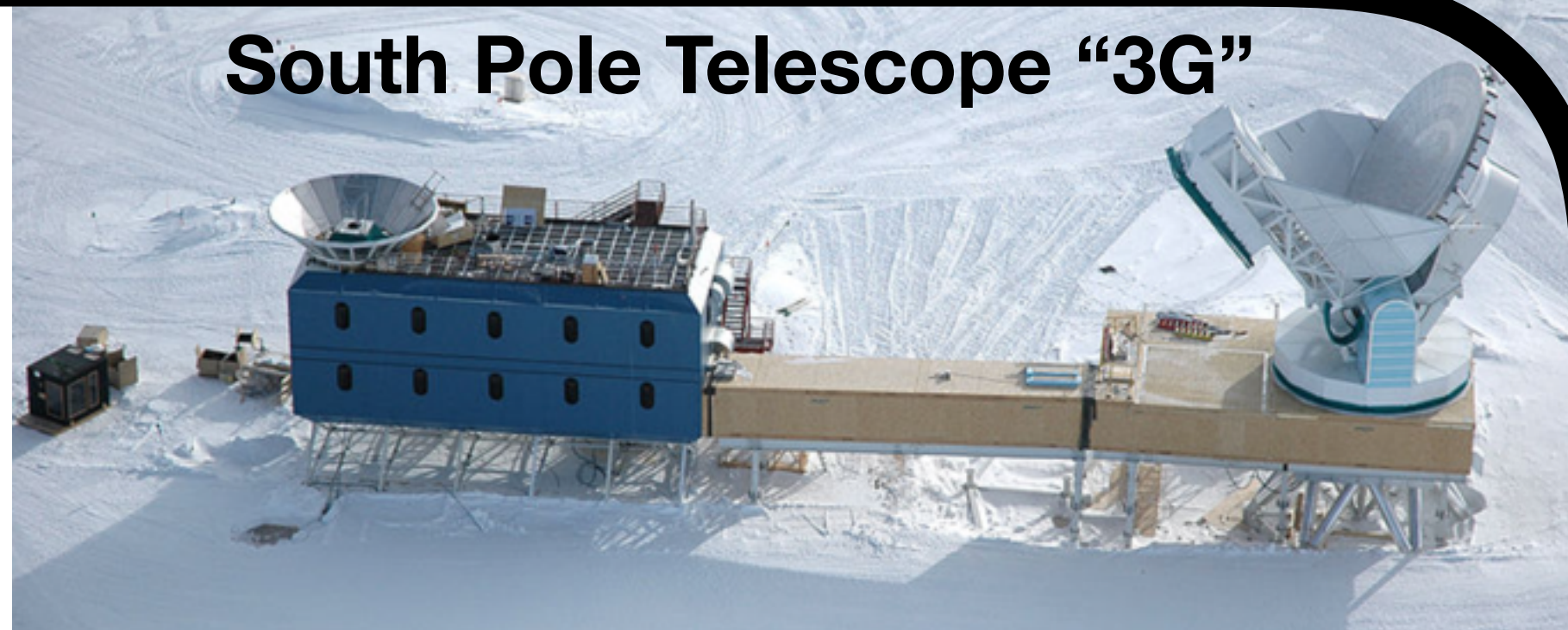
# Advanced Atacama Cosmology Telescope



**The Simons Array**







# CMB-S4(?)

