

Towards fundamental physics from cosmological surveys

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Experimental landscape in 2025

- **CMB:** ground-based (BICEP++, AdvACTpol, SPT3G, PolarBear,...), balloon-borne (EBEX, SPIDER,...), mission proposal for 4th generation satellite (CMBPol, EPIC, CoRE, LiteBird...), spectroscopy (PIXIE, PRISM proposal...)
- **LSS:** photometric (DES, PanSTARRS, LSST...), spectroscopic (HSC, HETDEX, DESI,...), space-based (Euclid, WFIRST...)
- **21 cm:** SKA and pathfinders...
- **GW:** Advanced LIGO, NGO pathfinder...

Science goals tie **early/evolved universe** together; multi-goal;
Cross-talk of data-types and probes critical for success

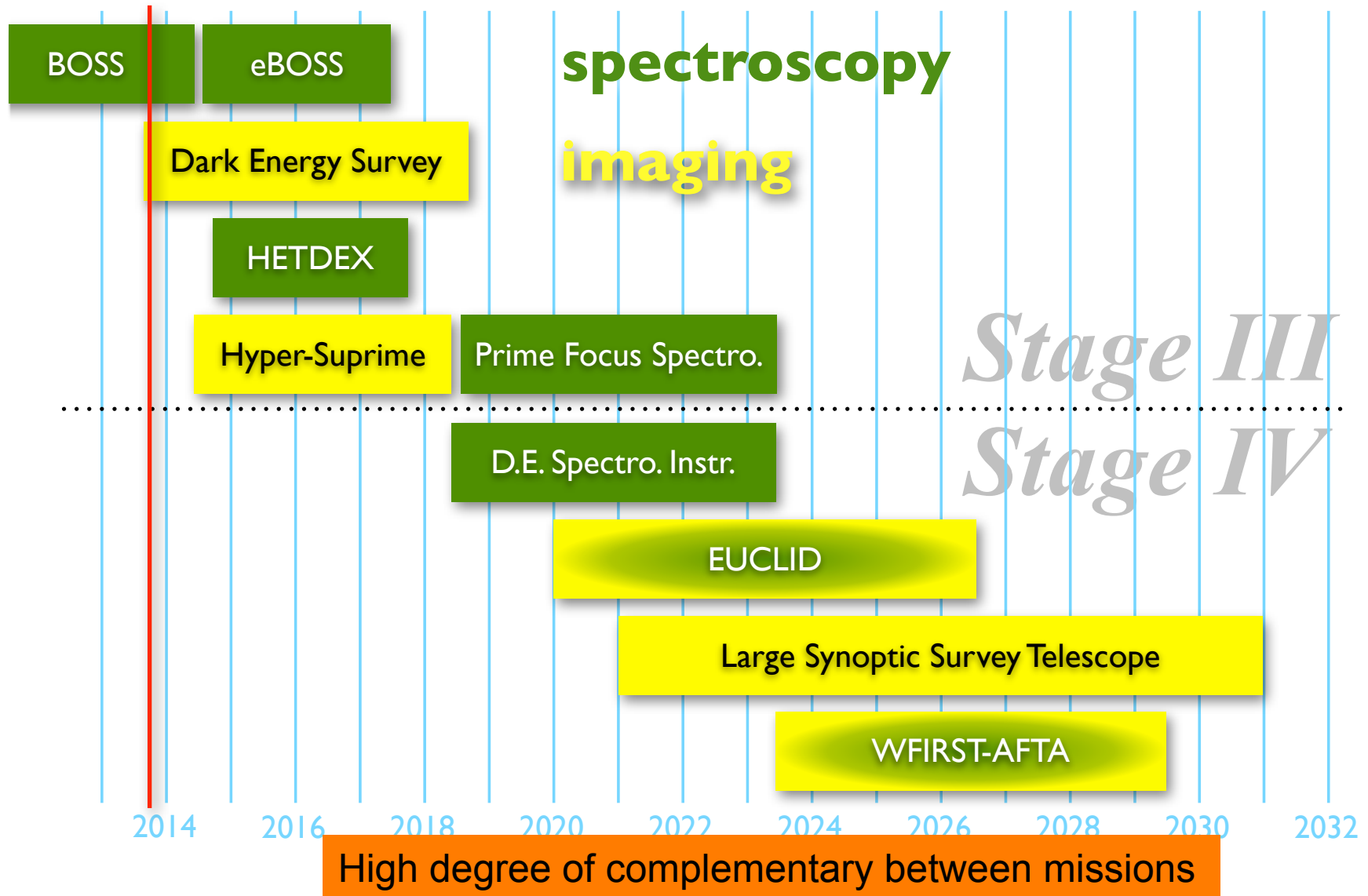
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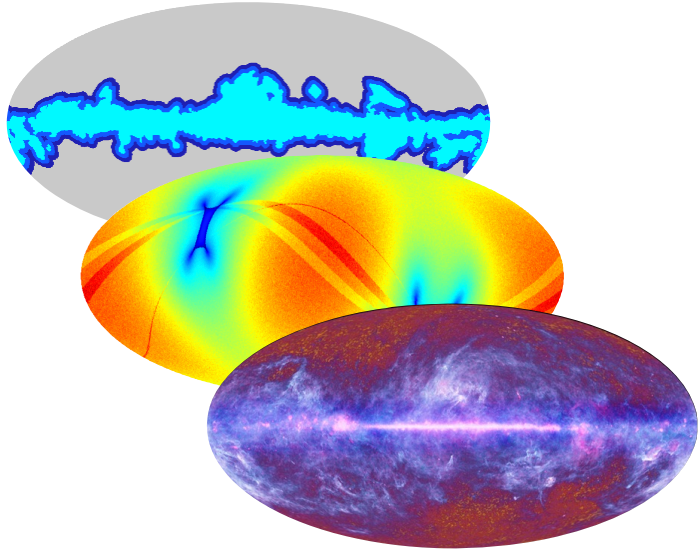
LSS Surveys Roadmap



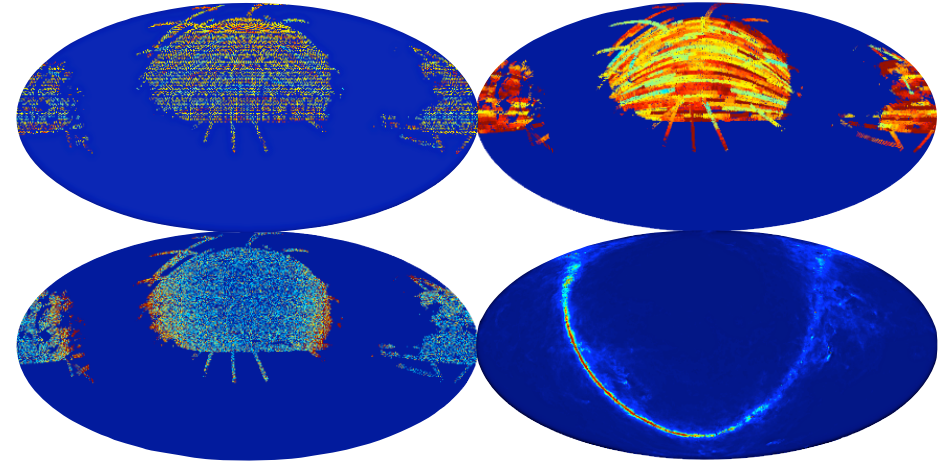
*“No one trusts a model except the person who wrote it;
everyone trusts an observation, except the person who made it”.*

H. Shapley

Known unknowns, *unknown knowns*, *unknown unknowns**



CMB: complex sky mask, coloured / inhomogeneous noise, foregrounds...



LSS: seeing, sky brightness, stellar contamination, dust obscuration, spatially-varying selection function, Poisson noise, photo-z errors etc...

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* Common NASA phrase: administrator William Graham

Primordial NG from the halo power spectrum

scale-dependent halo bias (Dalal et al 2008)

$z=2$

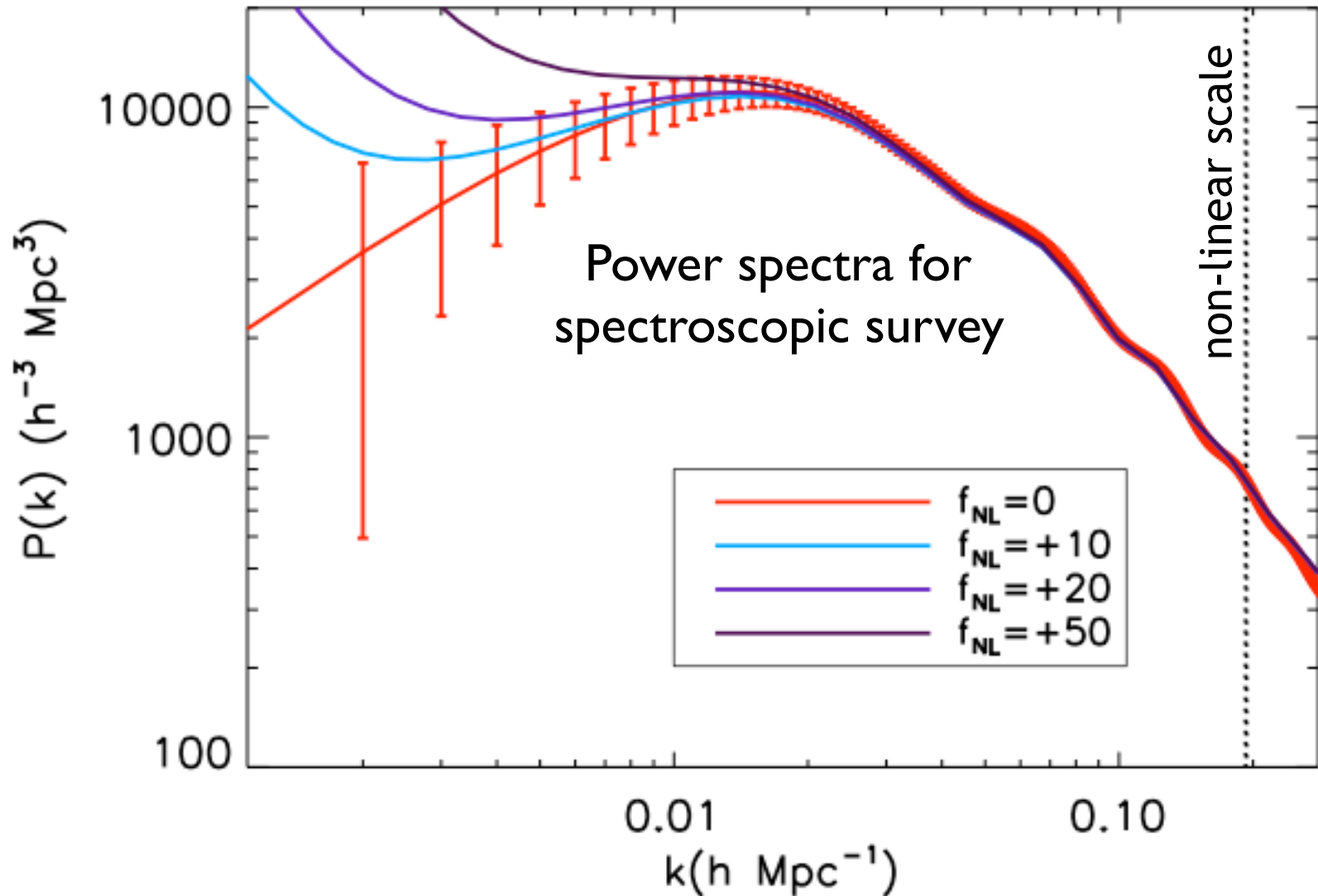


Figure: HSLs white paper

$$\Phi = \phi + f_{NL}[\phi^2 - \langle \phi^2 \rangle] + g_{NL}[\phi^3 - 3\phi \langle \phi^2 \rangle]$$

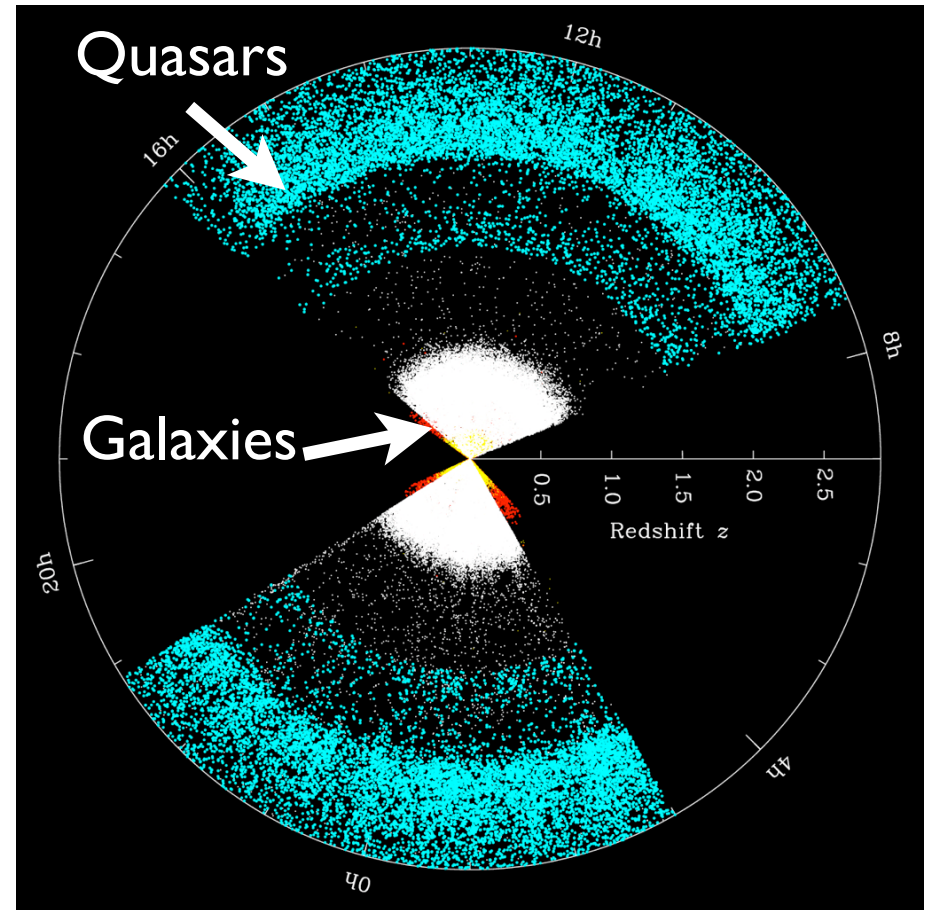
Primordial NG from SDSS photometric quasar sample

XDQSOz: 1.6 million QSO candidates from SDSS DR8.
(Bovy et al.)

Boris Leistedt



Nina Roth

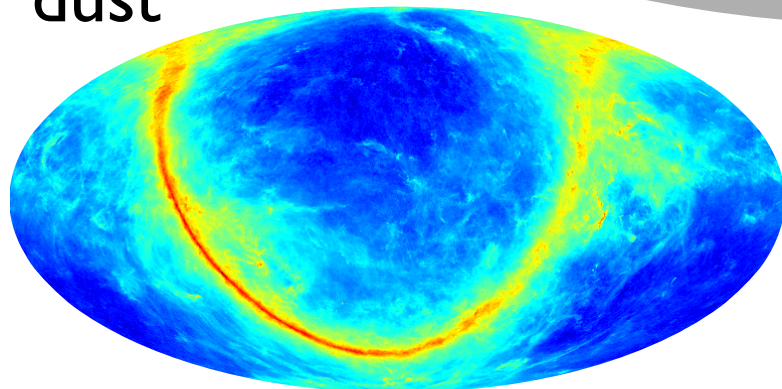


$$\Delta b(k, z) = f_{\text{NL}}(b_g - 1) \frac{3\Omega_m h_0^2 \delta_c}{D(z)T(k)k^2}$$

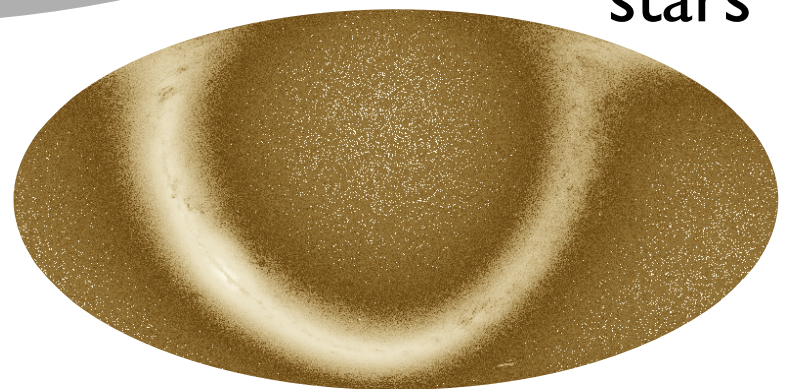
800,000 photometric quasars from SDSS DR8 (XDQSOz)
clustering measurements in 4 redshift bins $0.5 < z < 3.5$



dust

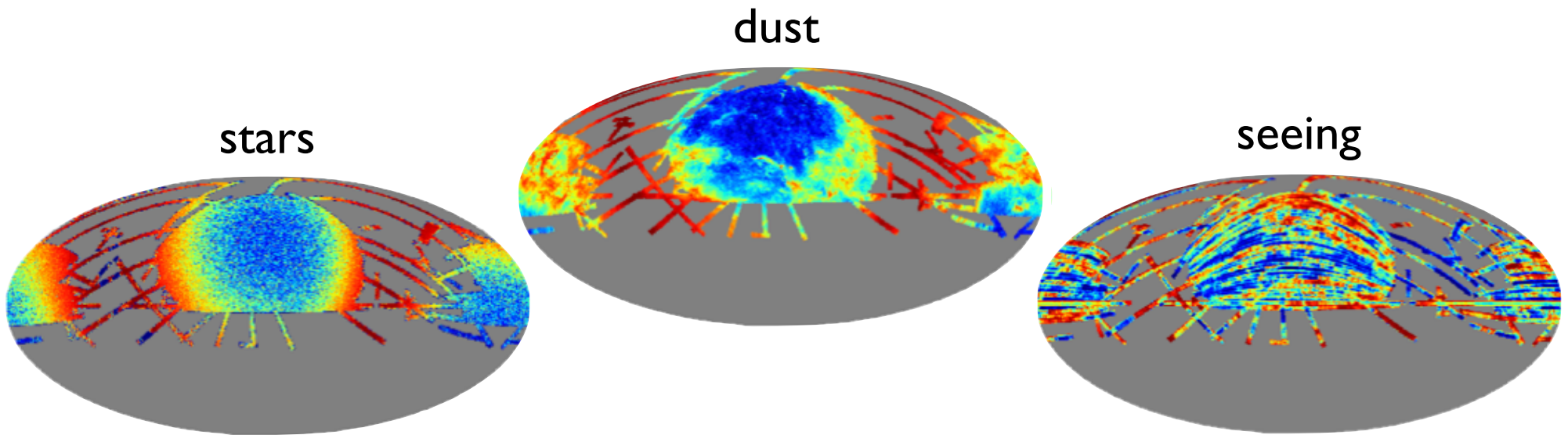


stars

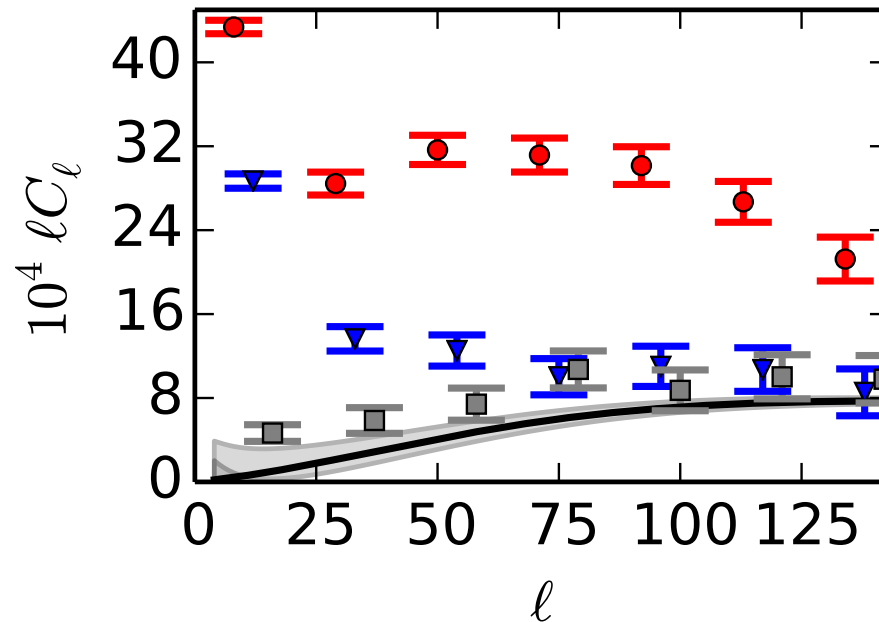


Systematics in quasar surveys

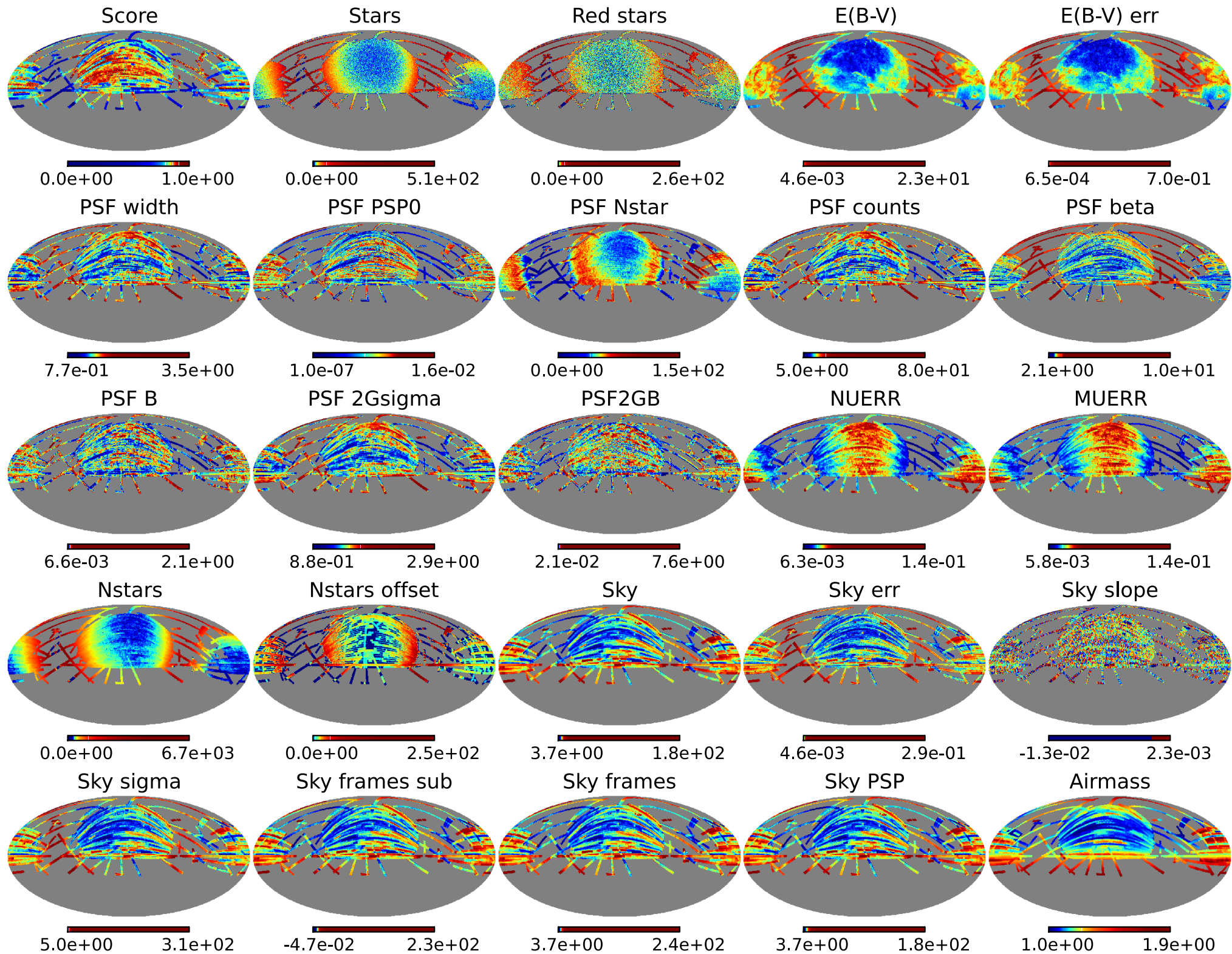
- Anything that affects point sources or colours
seeing, sky brightness, stellar contamination, dust obscuration, calibration etc..
- Create spatially varying depth & stellar contamination



Systematics in quasar surveys



- **SDSS photometric quasars:** excess clustering power on large scales due to systematics.
- Concerns about its use for clustering studies. Pullen and Hirata 2012; Giannantonio et al. 2013

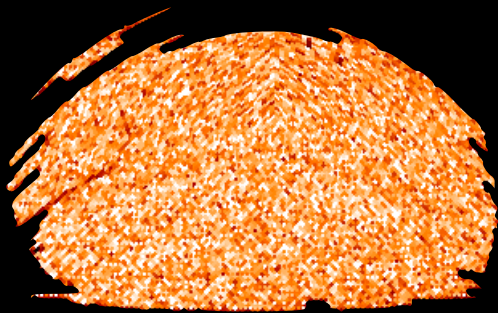


Systematics and mode projection

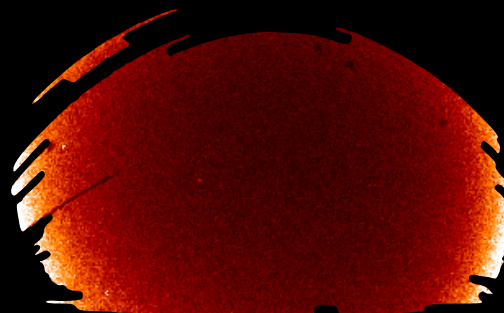
Rybicki and Press (1992)

- ▶ Maximum Likelihood estimator in 4 redshift bins
- ▶ QML with mode projection: marginalises over linear contamination models, using systematics templates \vec{c}_k

$$\mathbf{C} = \sum_{\ell} \mathcal{C}_{\ell} \mathbf{P}_{\ell} + \mathbf{N} + \sum_{k \in \text{sys}} \xi_k \vec{c}_k \vec{c}_k^t \quad \text{with } \xi_k \rightarrow \infty$$



quasar catalogue



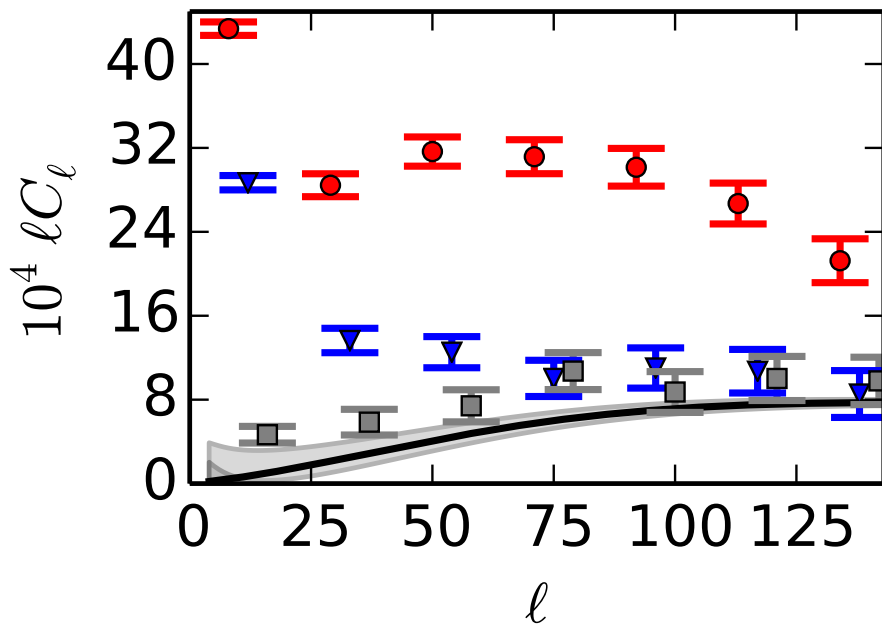
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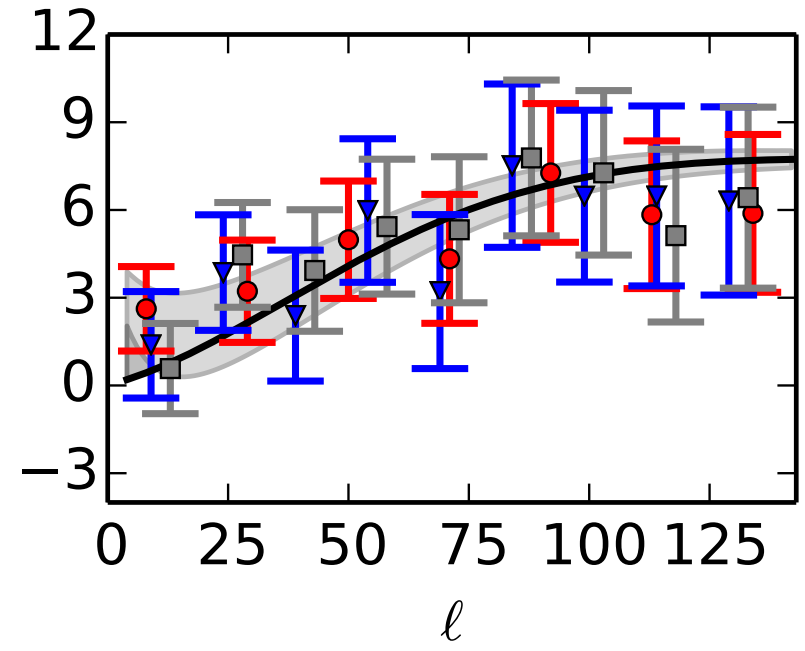
dust extinction

Also see Elsner, Leistedt and Peiris (MNRAS, 1509.08933)

Blind mitigation of systematics



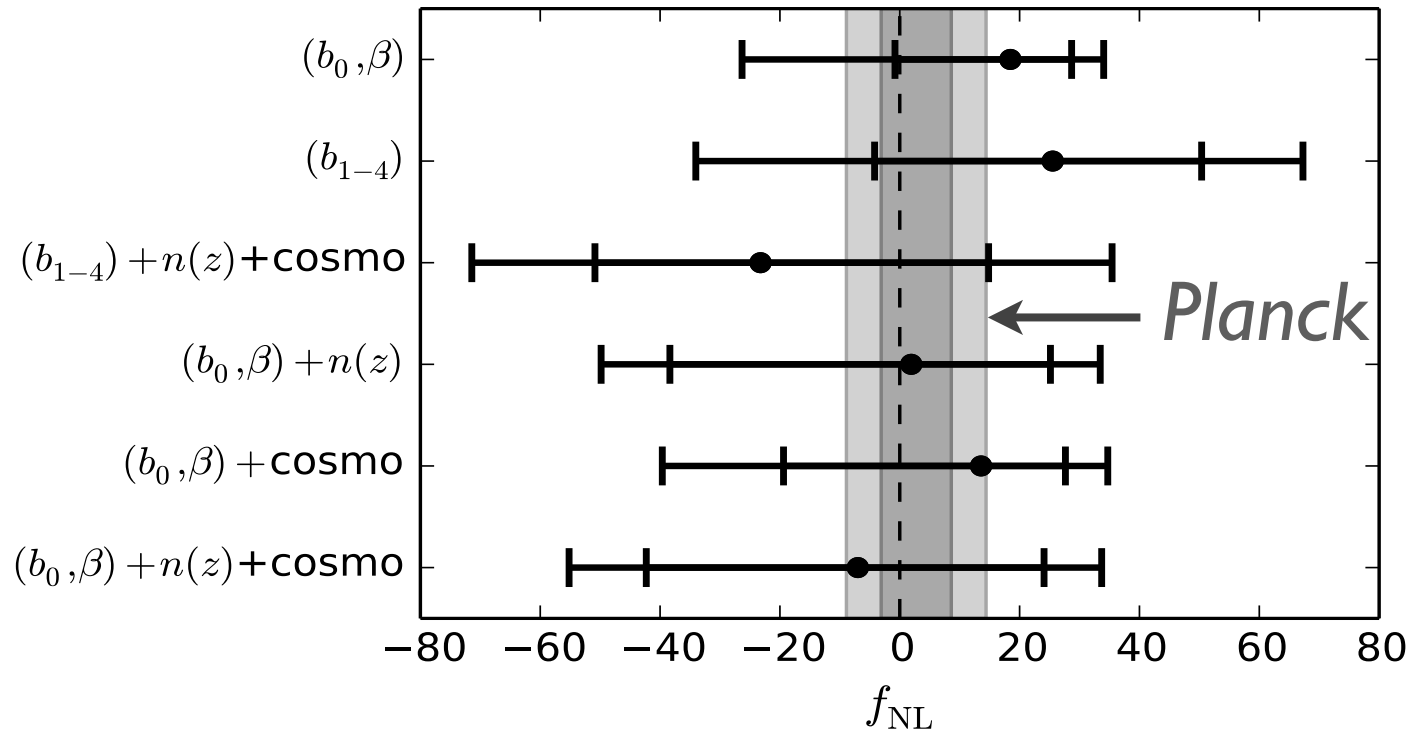
Raw spectra



Clean spectra

- Example: one of 10 spectra (auto + cross in four z-bins) in likelihood
- Grey bands: $-50 < f_{\text{NL}} < 50$; colours: basic masking + m.p.

Constraints on f_{NL}



$$-16 < f_{NL} < 47 \quad (2\sigma)$$

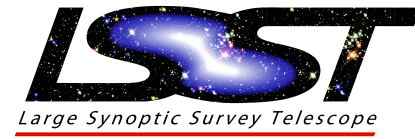
$$-49 < f_{NL} < 31 \quad (2\sigma)$$

Fixed cosmology & $n(z)$

Varying all parameters

- Comparable to WMAP9 from single LSS tracer(!)
- Also g_{NL} constraints comparable to Planck (2015)

LSST survey of 18,000 sq deg (half the sky)



• LSST forecast:

- expected statistical $\sigma(f_{\text{NL}}) < 1$
- systematic bias for a contamination model $f_{\text{NL}} \sim 30$,
- correcting bias leads to conservative forecast $\sigma(f_{\text{NL}}) \sim 5$.

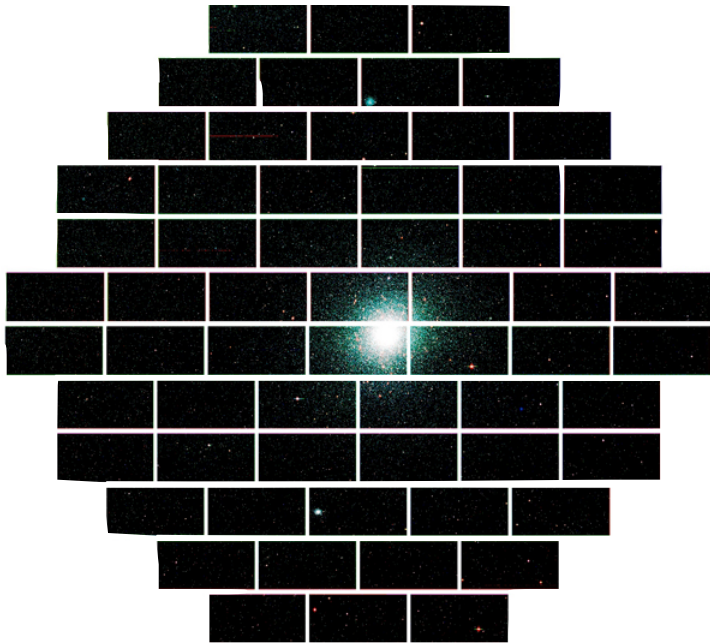


The Dark Energy Survey (DES)

300 million galaxies over 1/8 of the sky



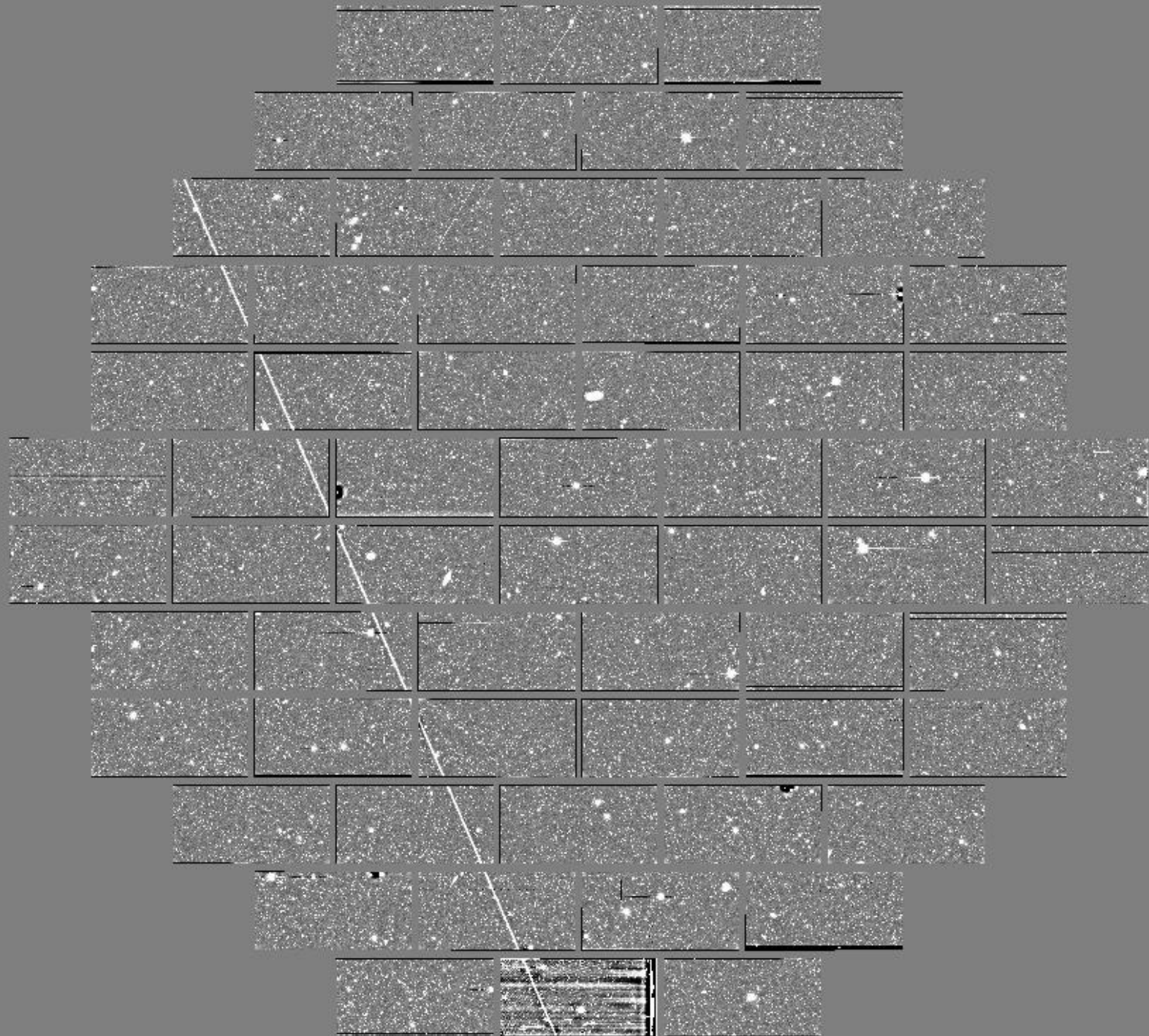
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SURVEY

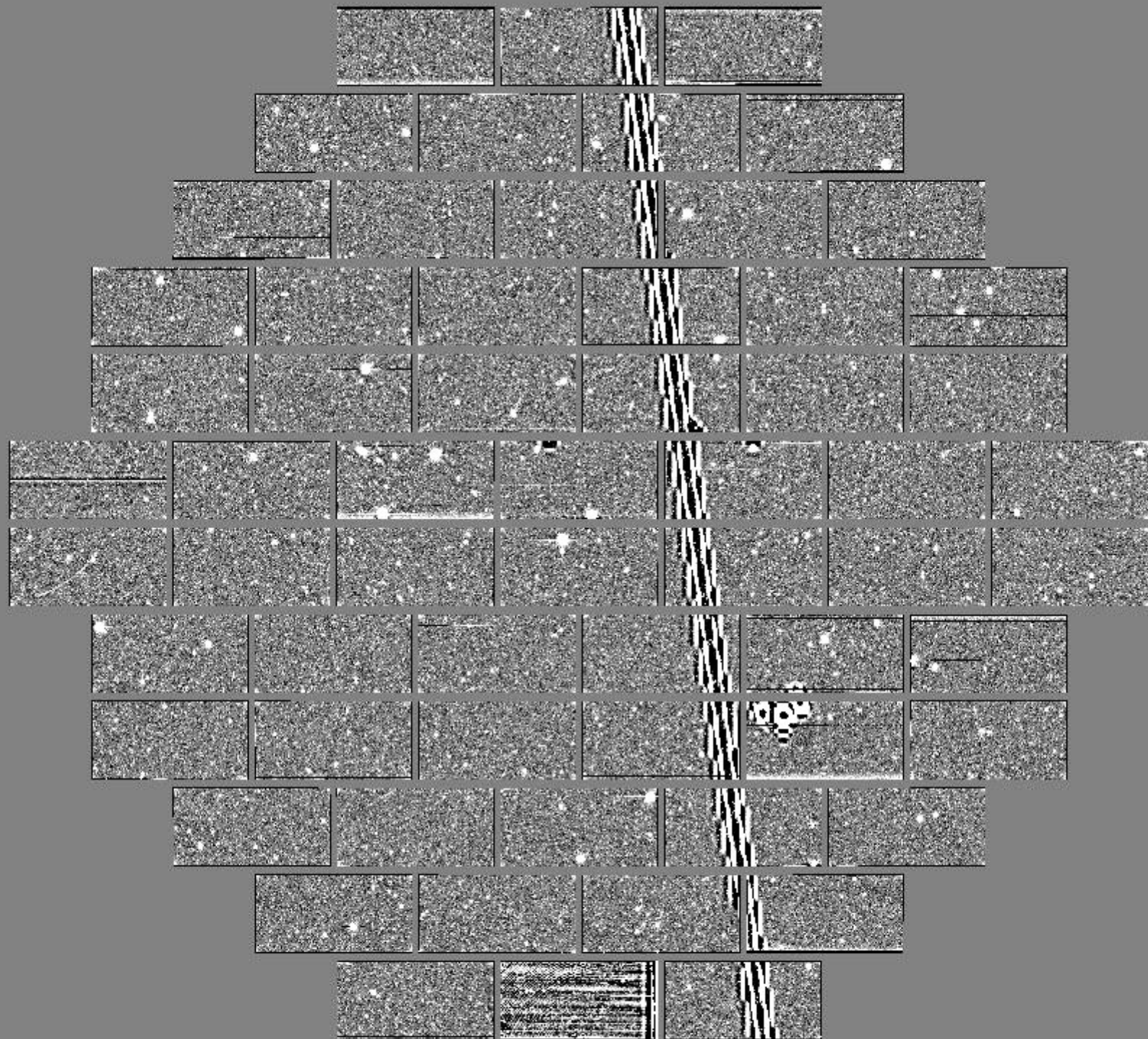


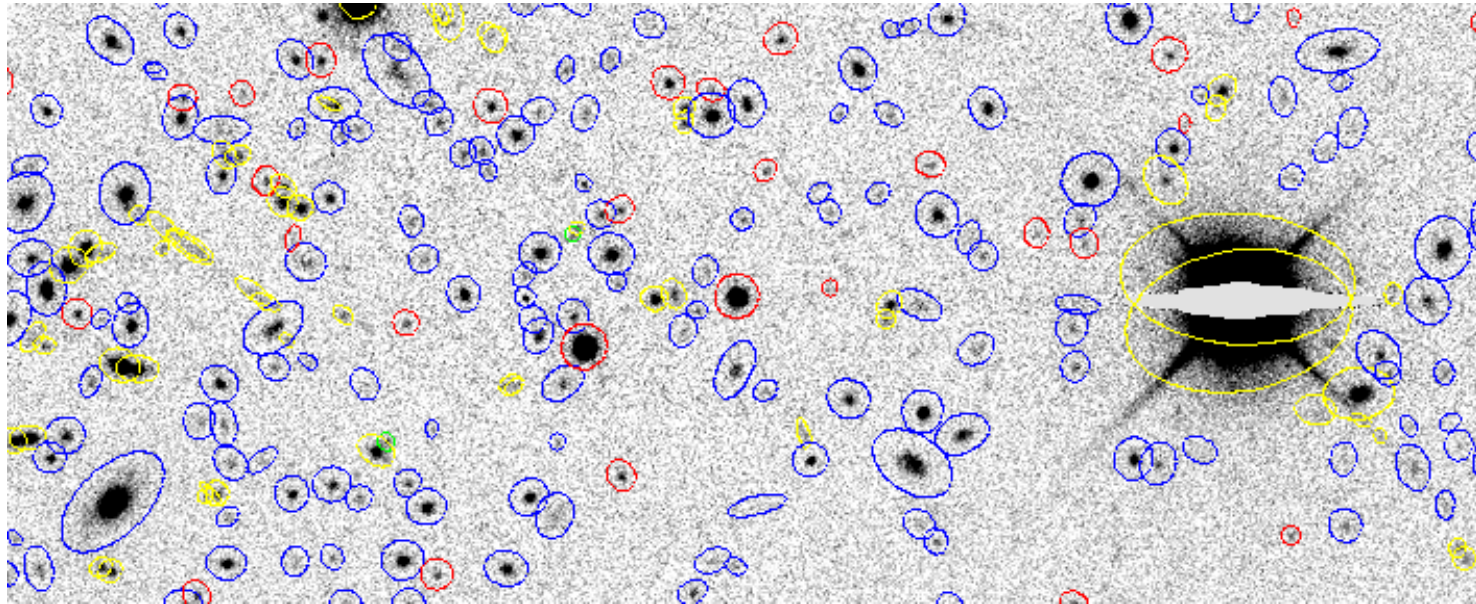
- 4-m Blanco
- 570 Mpix camera (DECam)
- 2.2 deg field of view
- Cerro Tololo (CTIO), Chile
- third year of 5-yr survey



DES data look like...







reduction of single-epoch images

coaddition into deep images

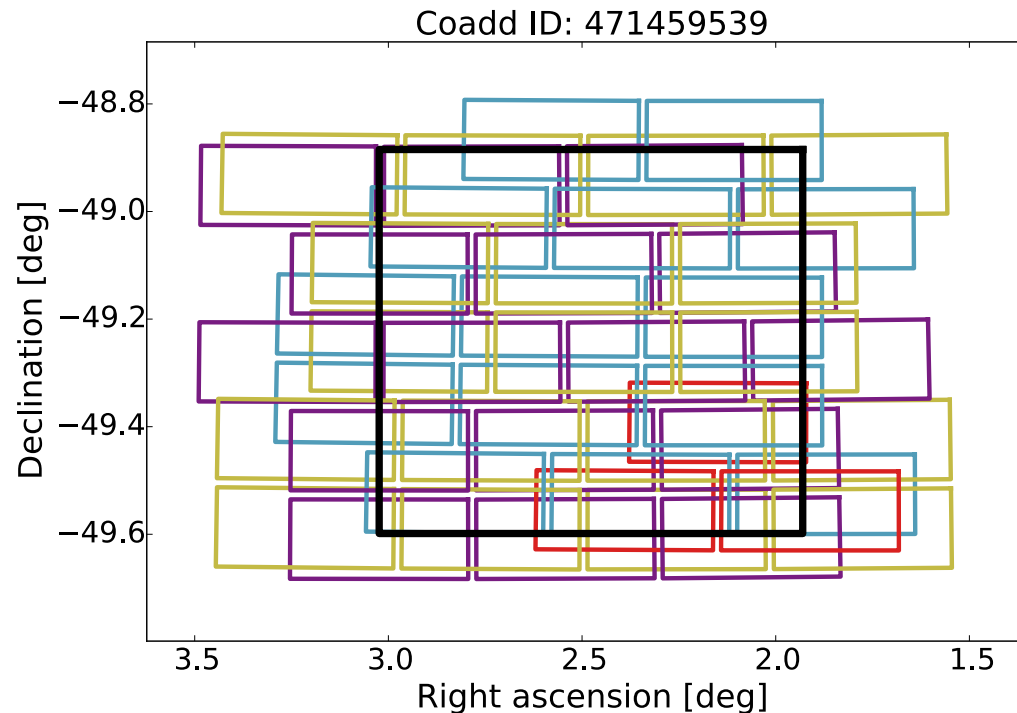
object detection

flux + shape measurements



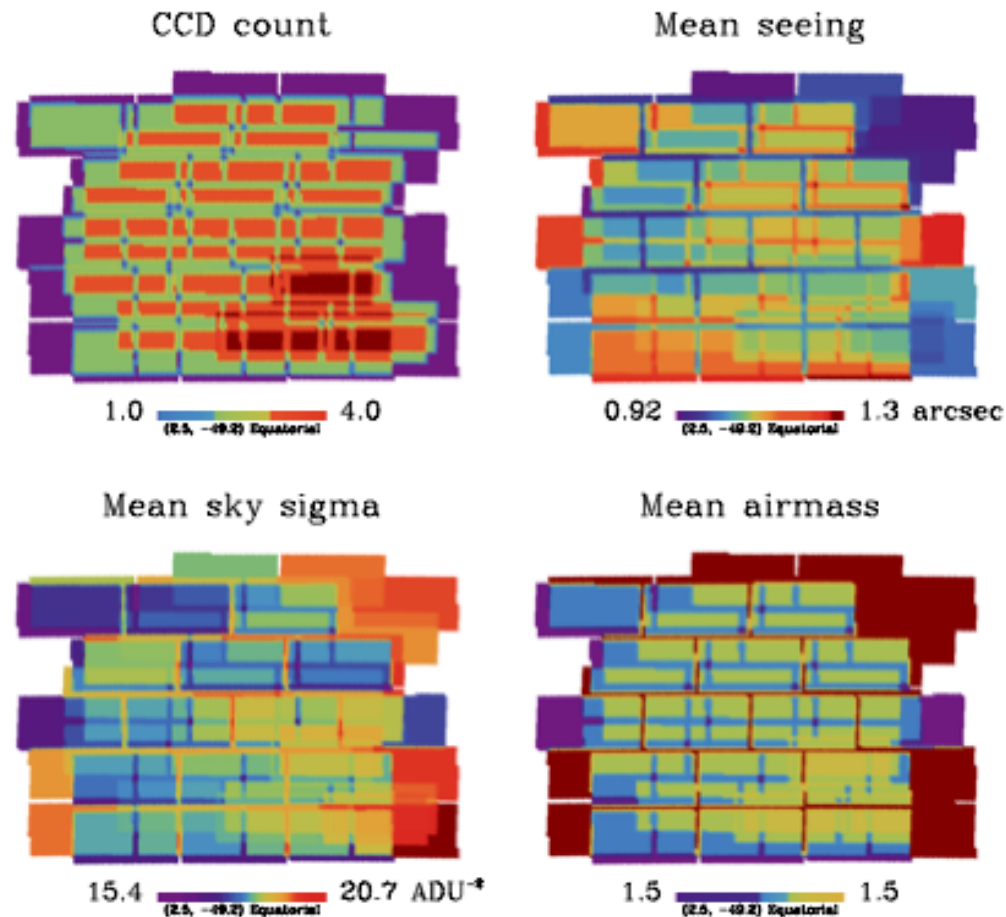
potentially affected by
spatially-varying
observing conditions

Mapping spatially-varying properties of DES



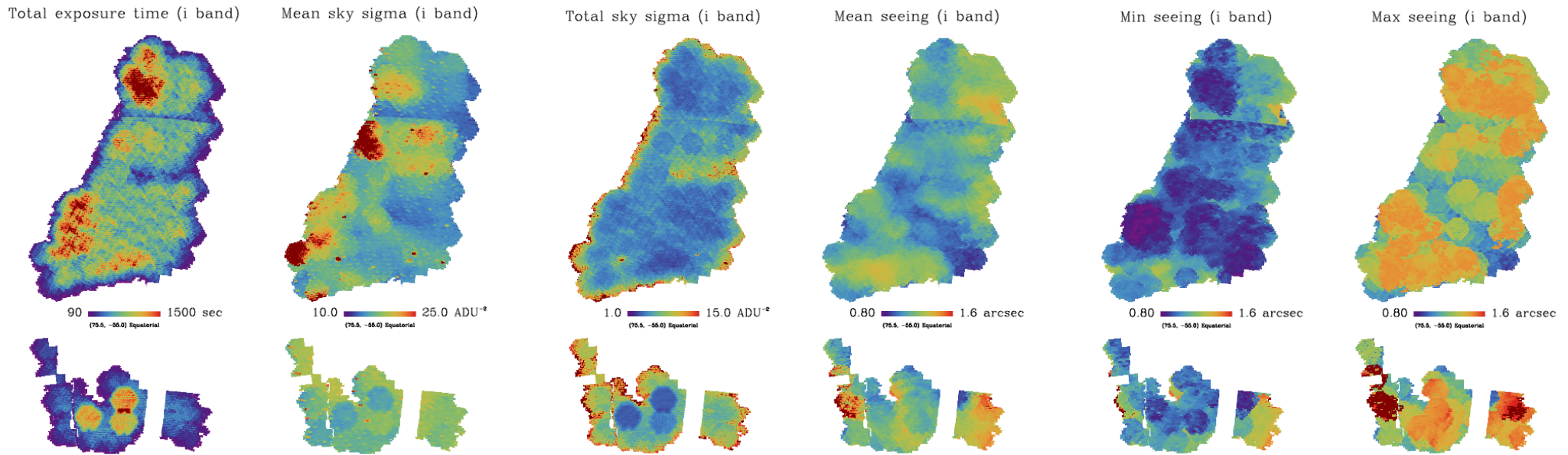
- **Geometrical projection** of single-exposure images coadded in arbitrary tile (black) of DES Science Verification data.
- **Colours:** different pointings, each with 62 single-epoch images corresponding to camera CCDs.

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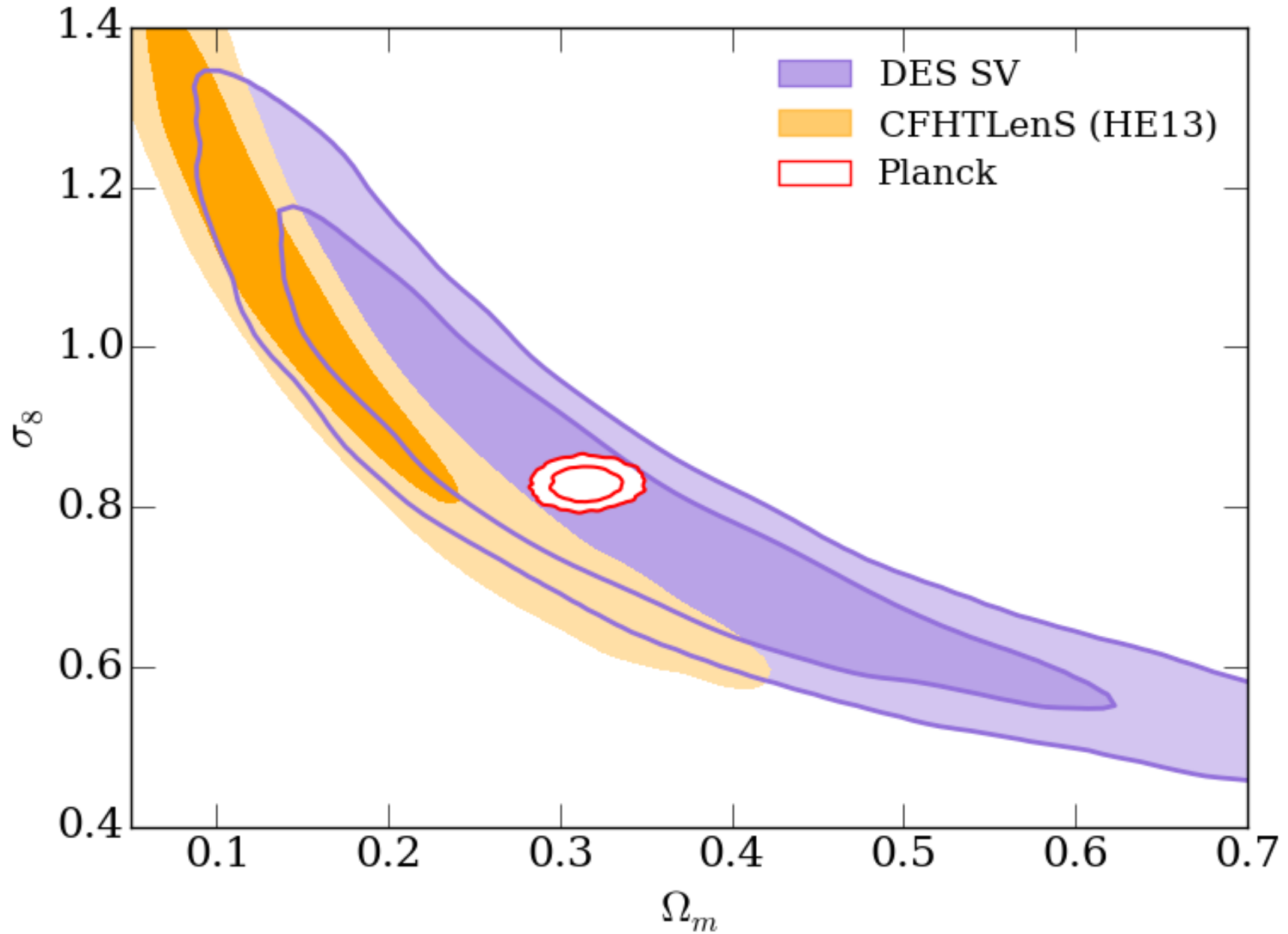
- **Projection** of single-epoch image properties: time fluctuations & correlations are converted into spatial fluctuations.

DES:SV: From precision to accuracy



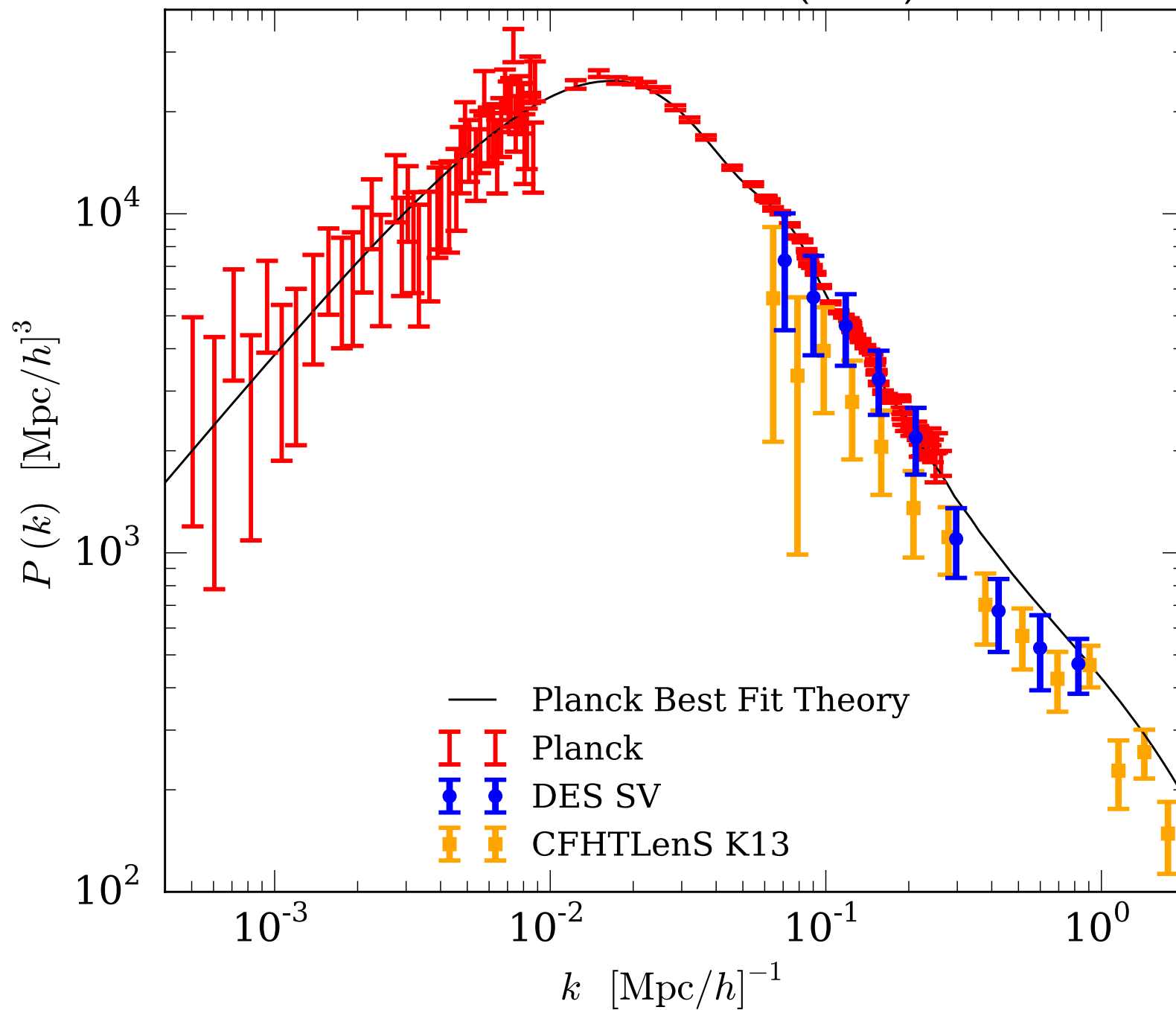
- Leistedt et al projection algorithm is now data product incorporated into DES pipeline (multi-epoch coadds increase complexity)
- Used to investigate impact on clustering studies (LSS/shear/lensing), photo-z estimation, star/galaxy separation, survey depth fluctuations....

DES Collaboration (2015)



Data vectors available at <http://deswl.github.io/>

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Robust CMB polarisation forecasts

- Degree-scale B-modes: inflation
- Arc-minute scale B-modes: gravitational lensing
 - late-time physics: sum of neutrino masses
 - geometry: break geometric degeneracy, measure curvature
- EE and TE more constraining than TT (Galli+ 1403.5271)
- Huge investment!
AdvACTPol, BICEP3, CLASS, Simons Array, SPT-3G, EBEX 10K, PIPER, SPIDER, COrE+, LiteBIRD, PIXIE, Stage IV, ...

Time to revisit forecasts!

Josquin Errard



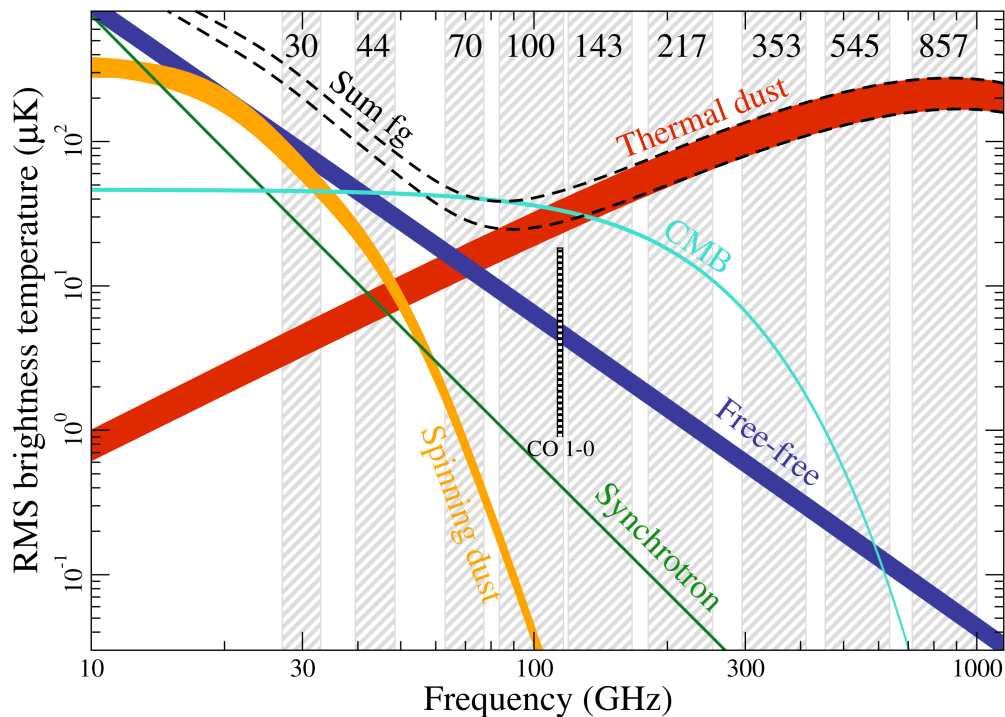
- latest frequency, spatial & angular foreground information
(*Planck Collaboration 1502.01588*)
- propagate component-separation uncertainties self-consistently through delensing to forecast
- Can we find **synergy** between different experiments?
- Released as online tool: <http://turkey.lbl.gov>

Stephen Feeney

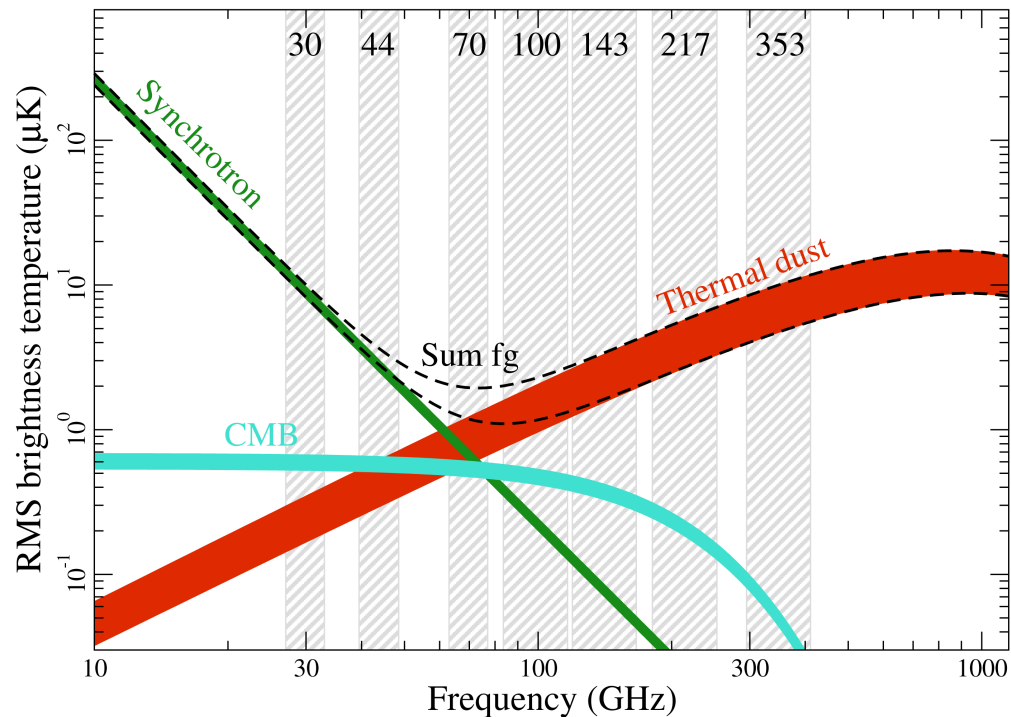


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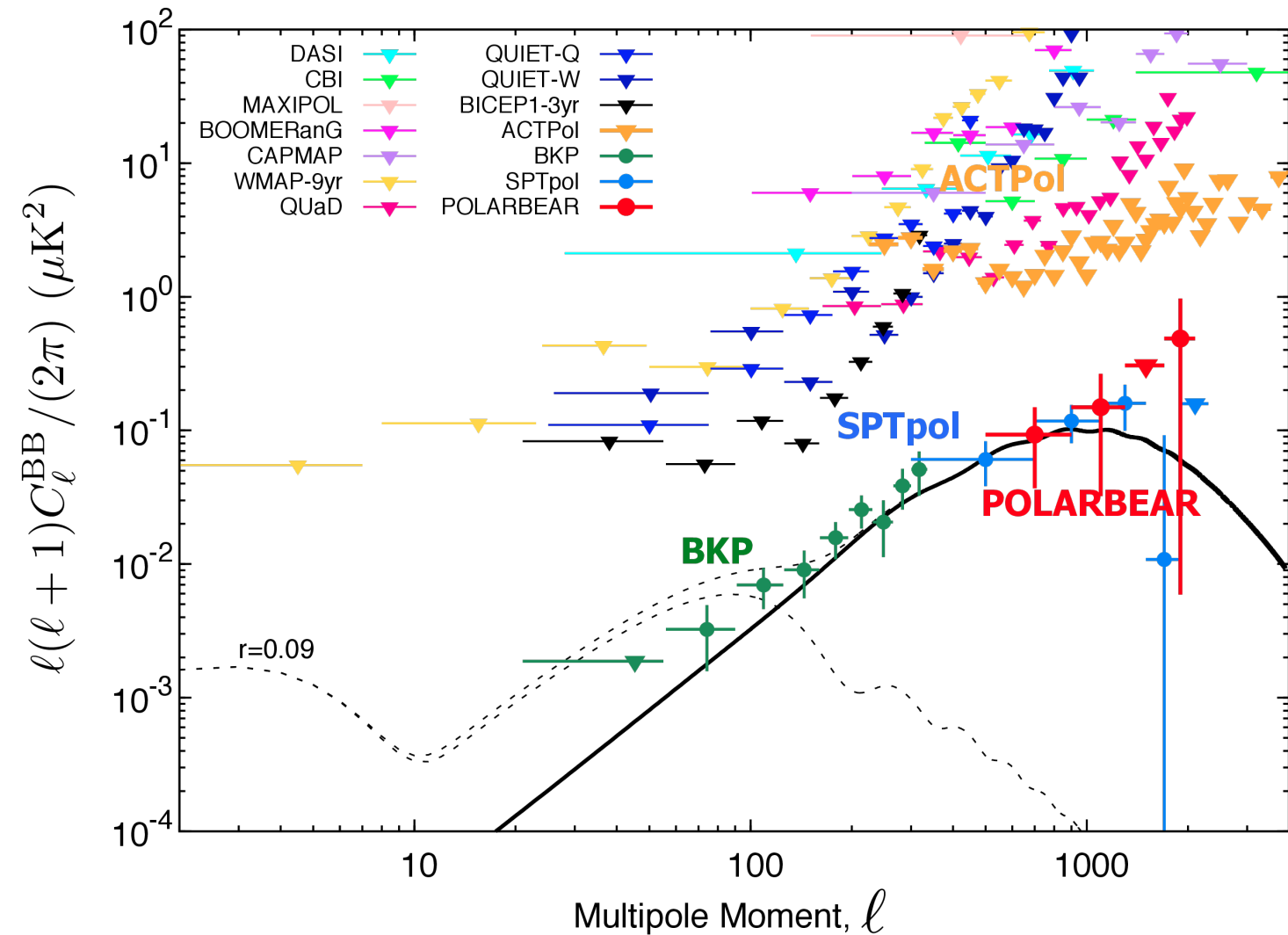
Frequency dependence of Galactic foregrounds



Temperature



Polarisation

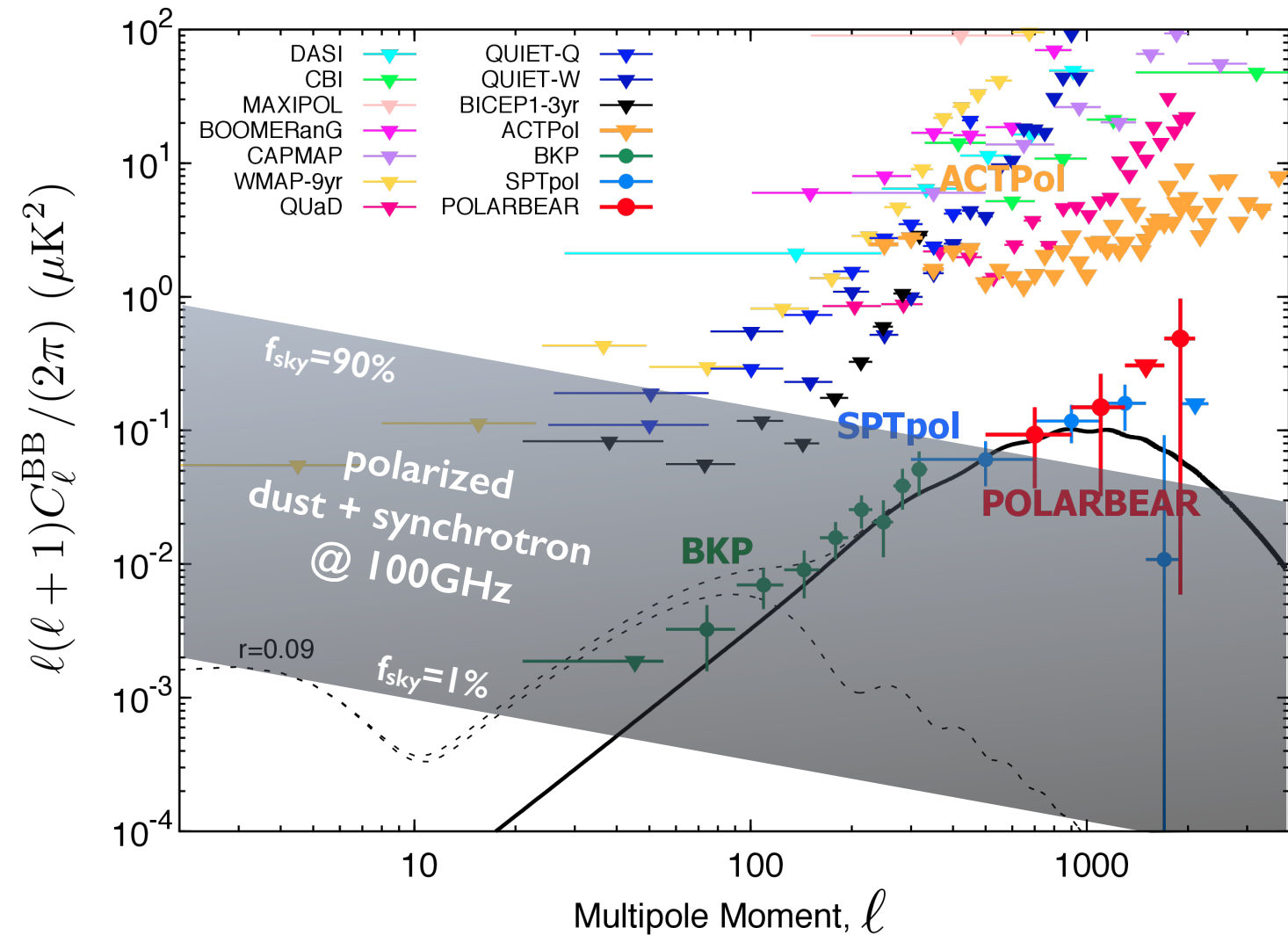


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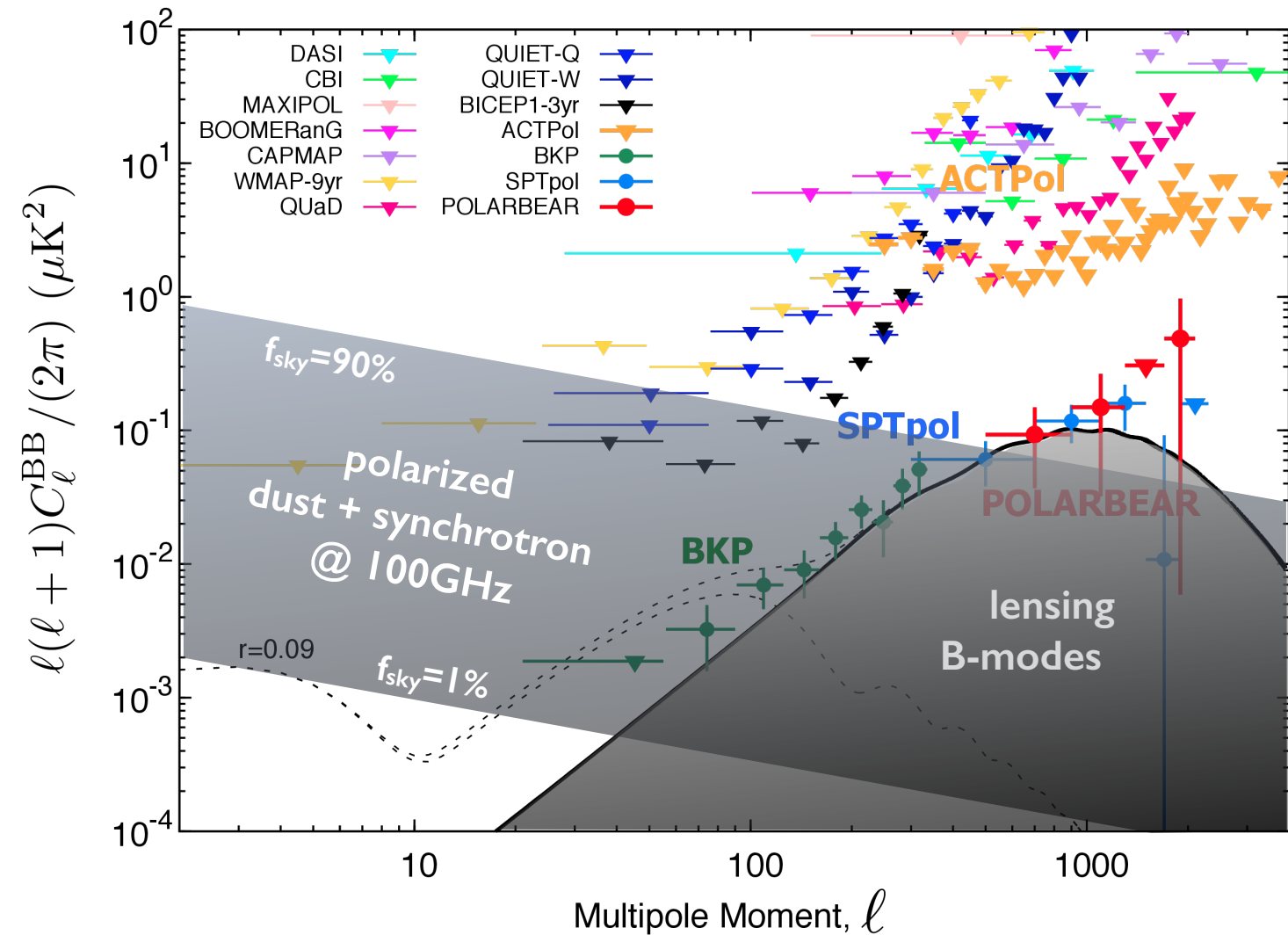


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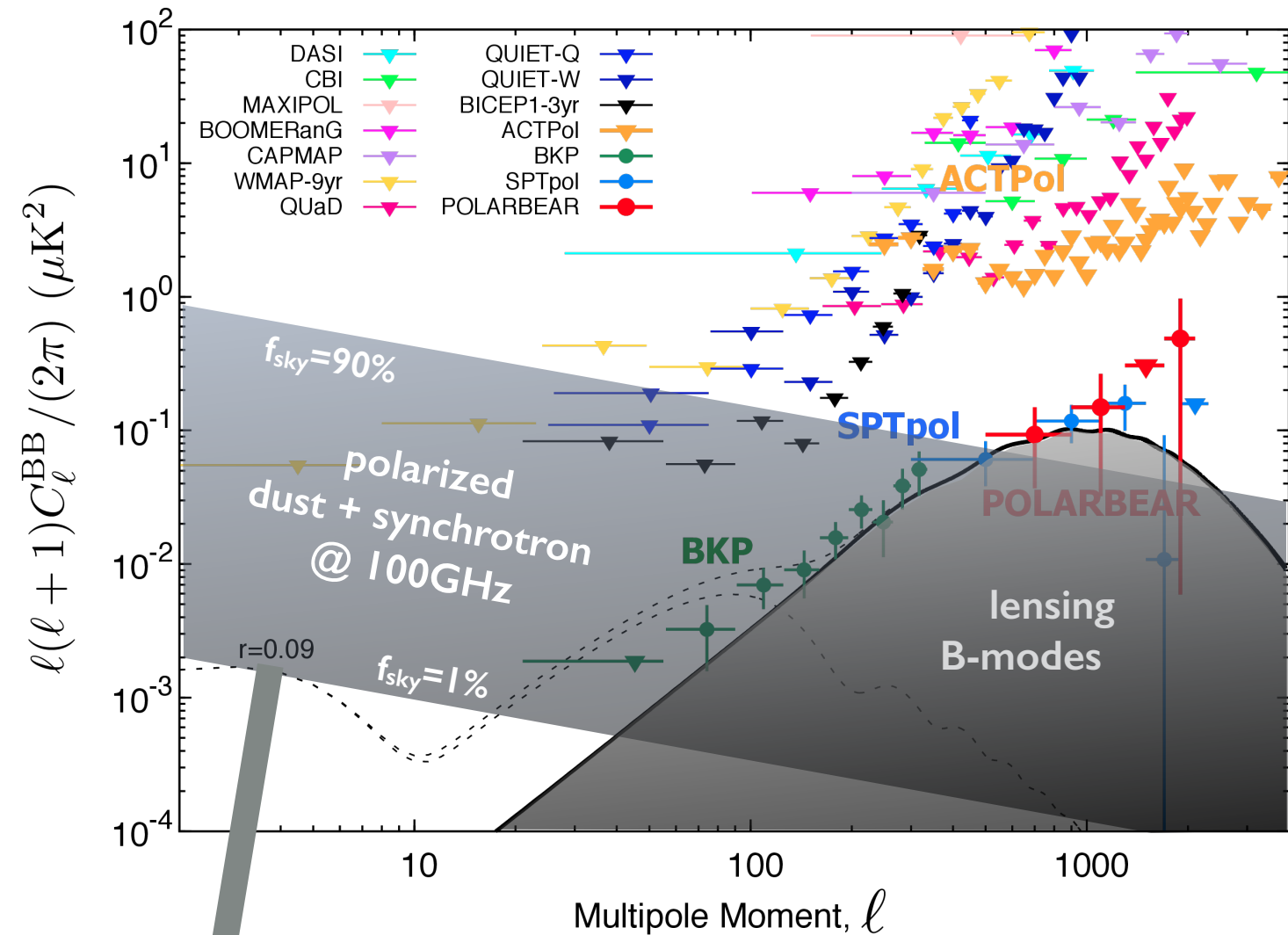


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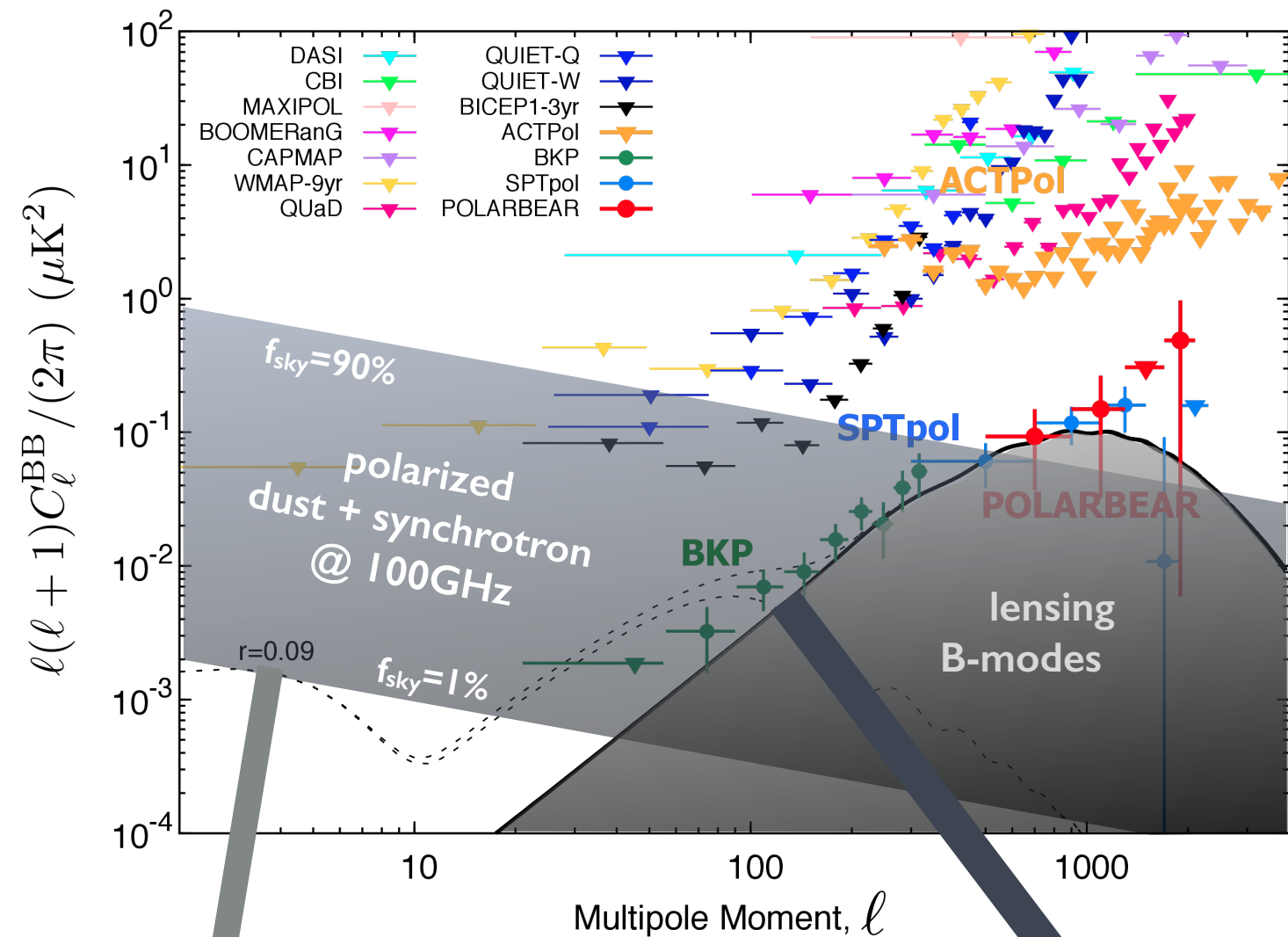
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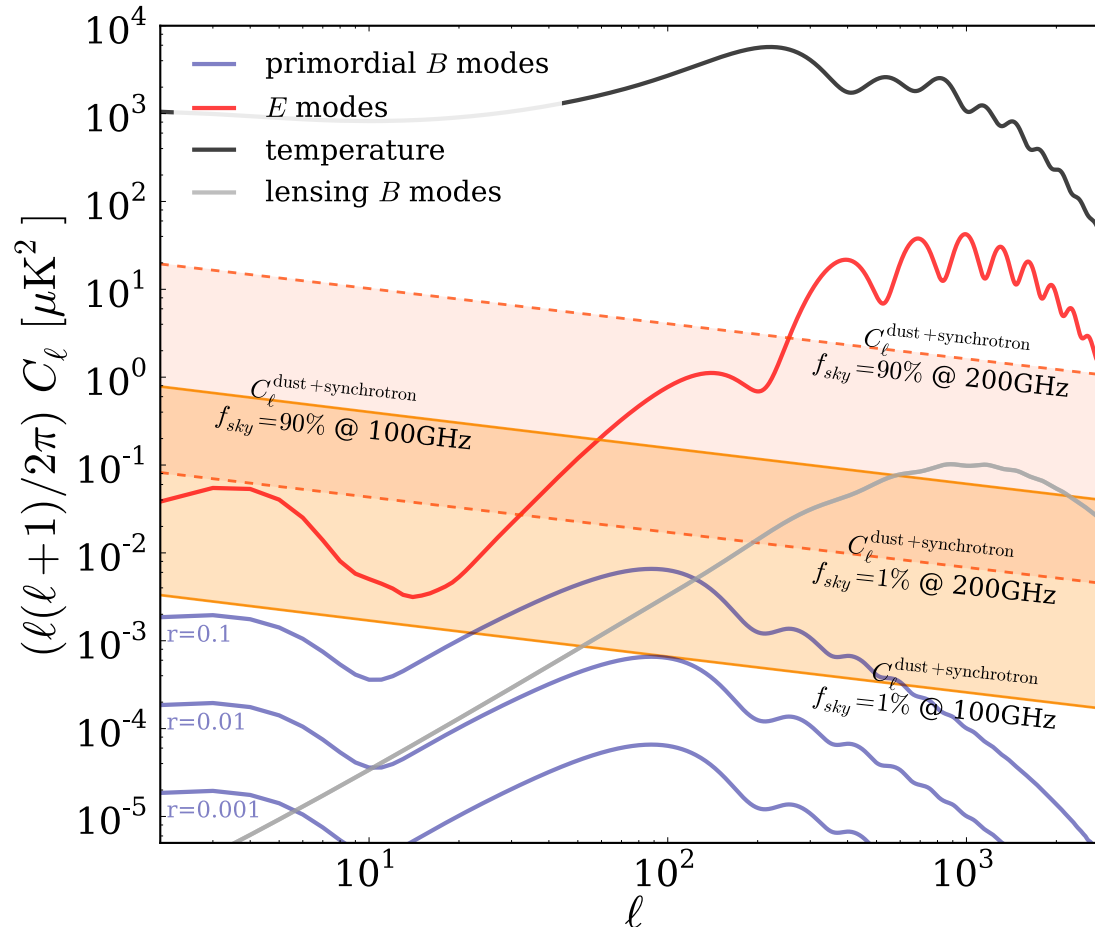
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delensing

[Seljak & Hirata (2004),
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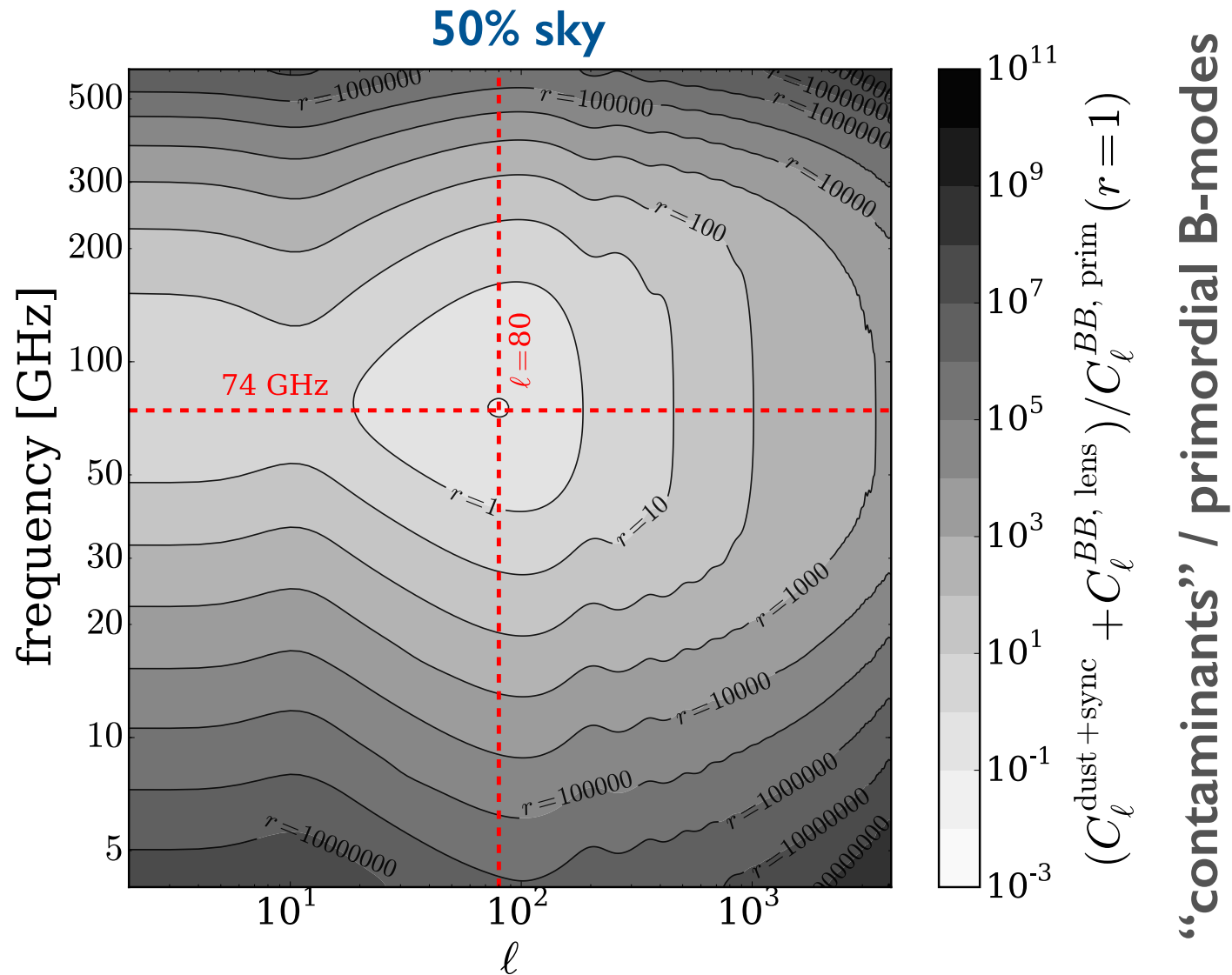
Polarisation is not going to be easy.



- Planck/BICEP2/Keck: polarised dust and/or synchrotron important at all Galactic latitudes ([1502.00612](#), [1502.01588](#))
- Lensing additional “foreground” for tensors

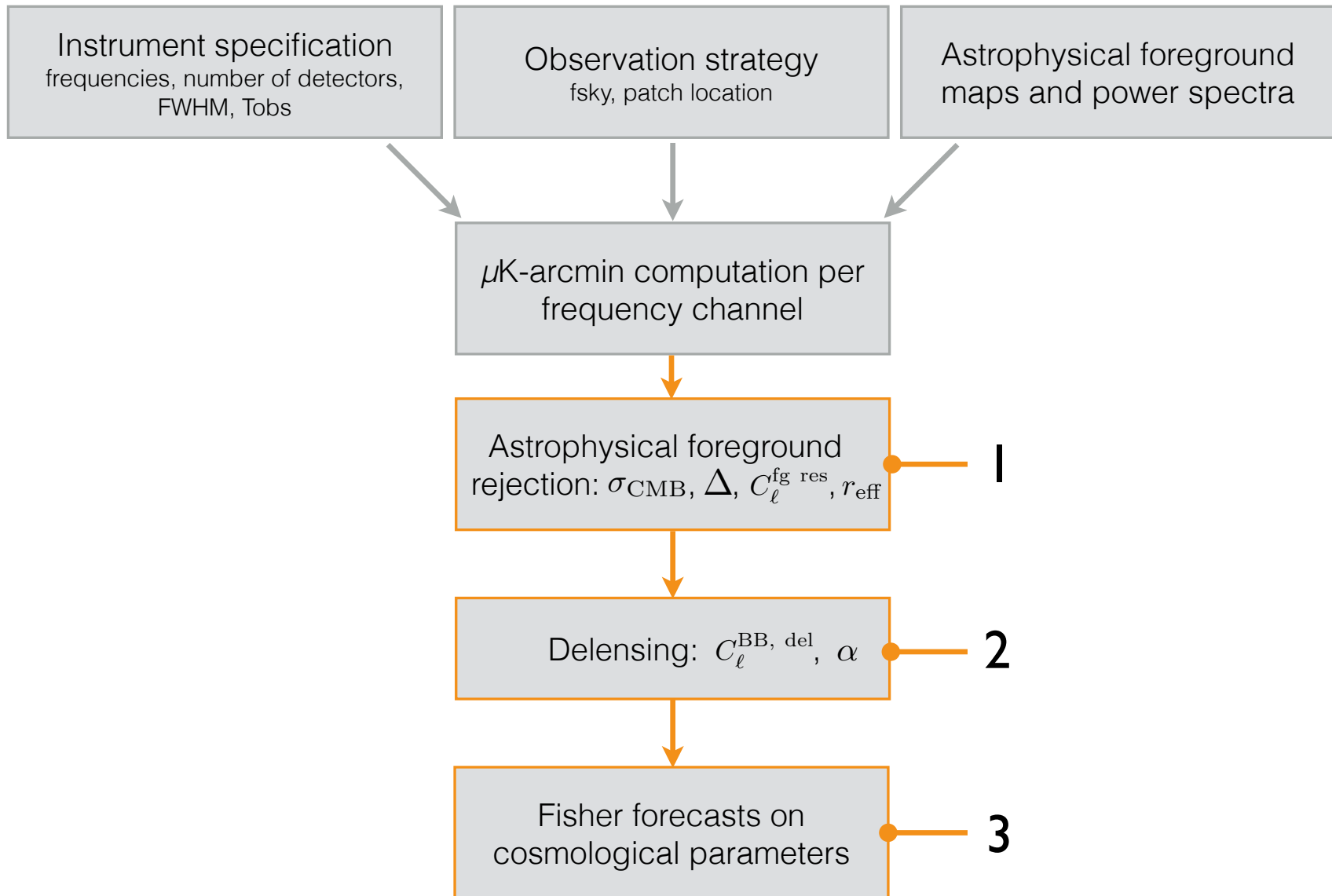
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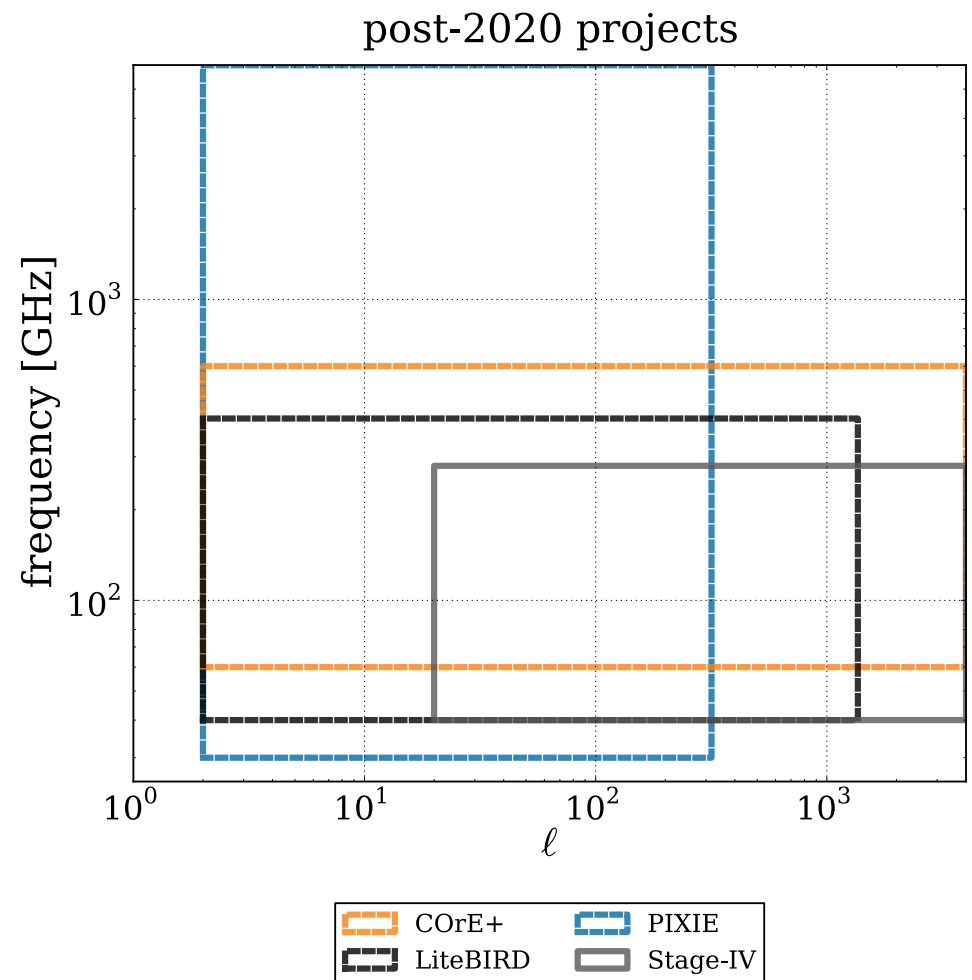
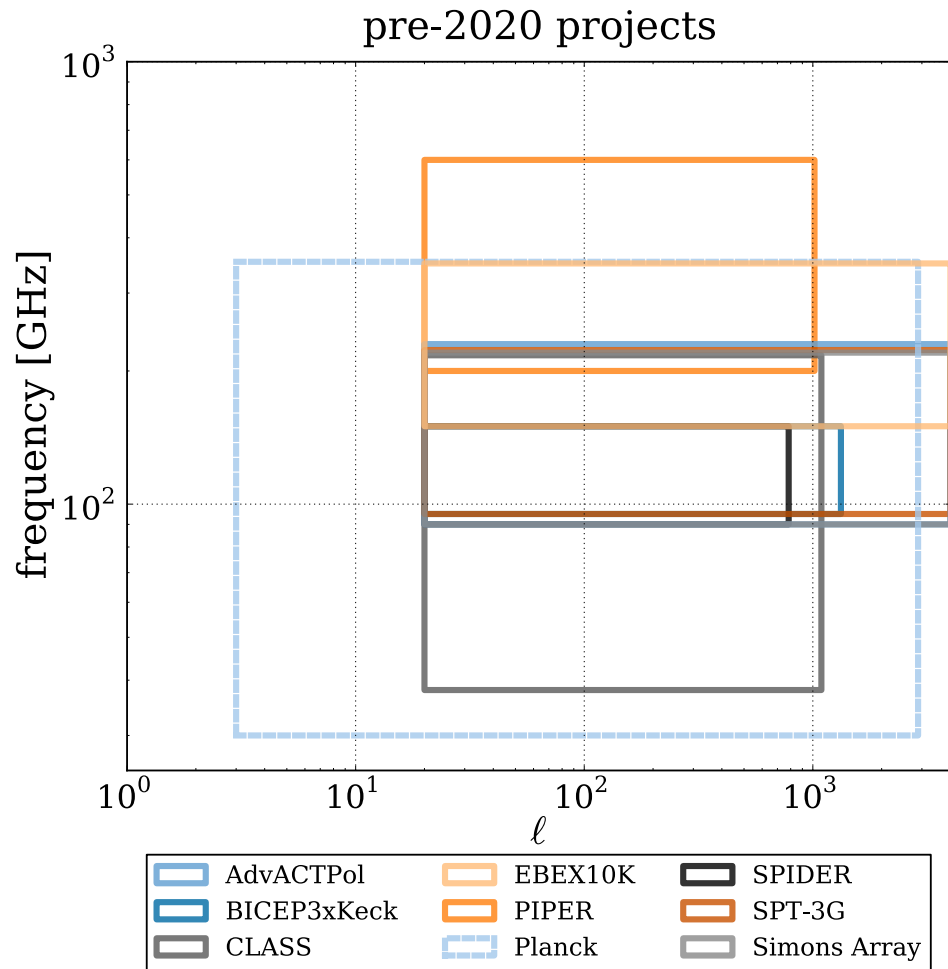


- Half-sky minimum for tensors: $\ell \sim 80$, 75 GHz

Forecast algorithm

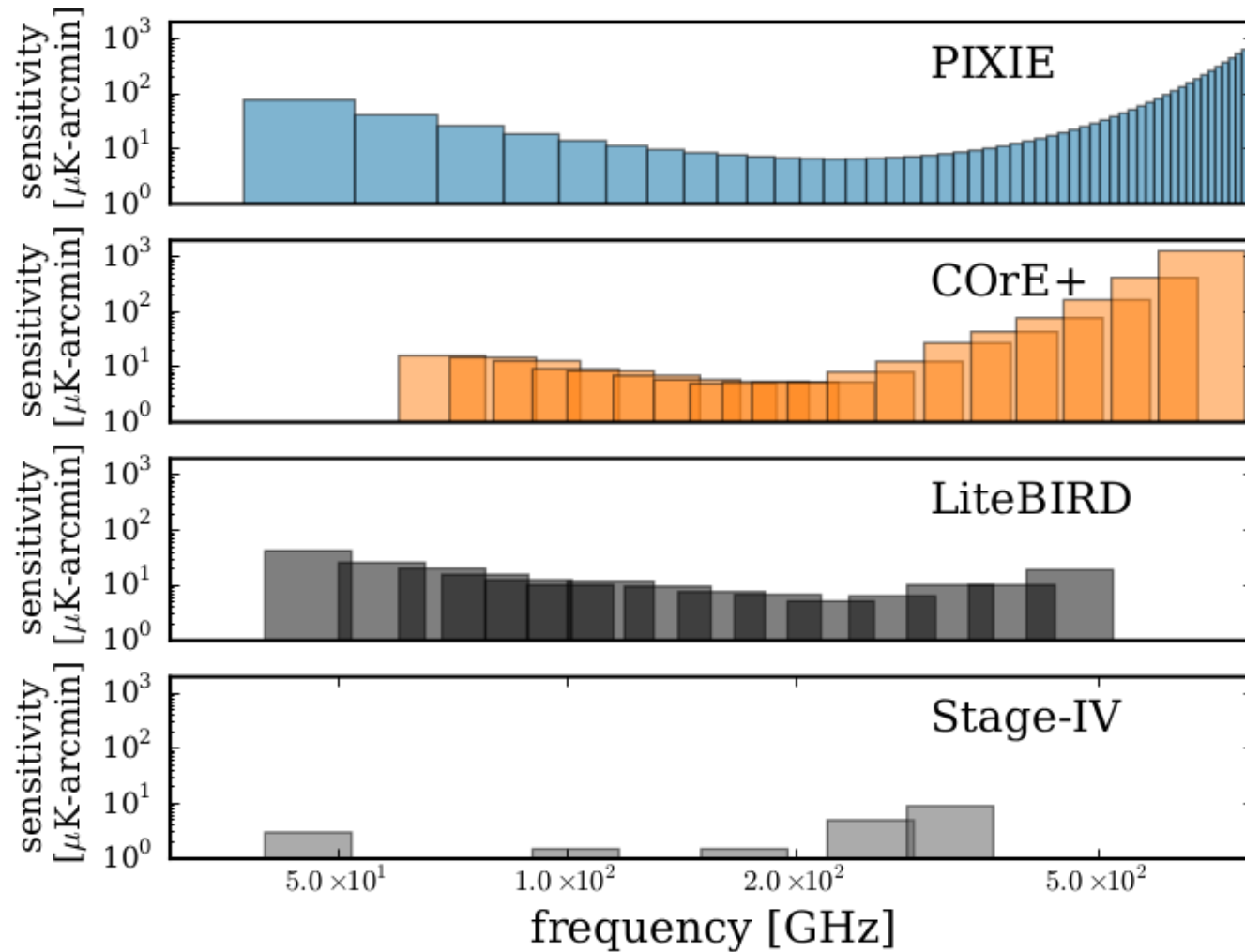


Experiments



- Frequency bands, polarisation noise, beams and fsky
- Pre-2020 all crossed with Planck

Experiments (post-2020 examples)



- Frequency bands, polarisation noise, beams and fsky
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Component separation

- Parametric maximum-likelihood foreground cleaning
(Stompor+ 0804.2645)

$$d_i(p) = A_{ij} s_j(p) + n_i(p)$$

p =pixel (at Healpix $N_{\text{side}}=128$), i =frequency, j =components

- Forecast mixing matrix estimation with Fisher approach
(Errard+ 1105.3859)

- ▶ Includes foreground frequency, spatial, angular dependence
- ▶ component separation boosts noise, leaves residuals

- **Components:** CMB, synchrotron and dust (ref. freq. 150 GHz)

$$A_{\text{sync}}^{\text{raw}}(\nu, \nu_{\text{ref}}) \equiv \left(\frac{\nu}{\nu_{\text{ref}}} \right)^{\beta_s} \quad A_{\text{dust}}^{\text{raw}}(\nu, \nu_{\text{ref}}) \equiv \left(\frac{\nu}{\nu_{\text{ref}}} \right)^{\beta_d+1} \frac{e^{\frac{h\nu_{\text{ref}}}{kT_d}} - 1}{e^{\frac{h\nu}{kT_d}} - 1}$$

Foregrounds: selected real experiments

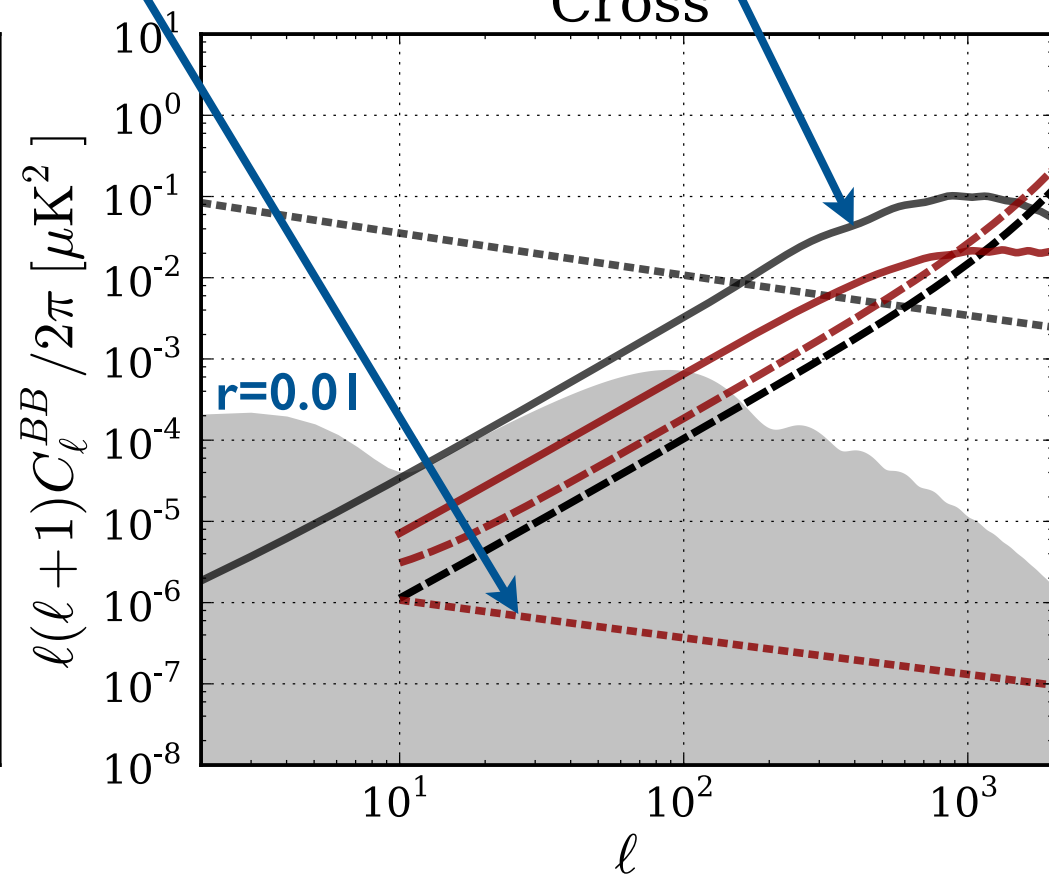
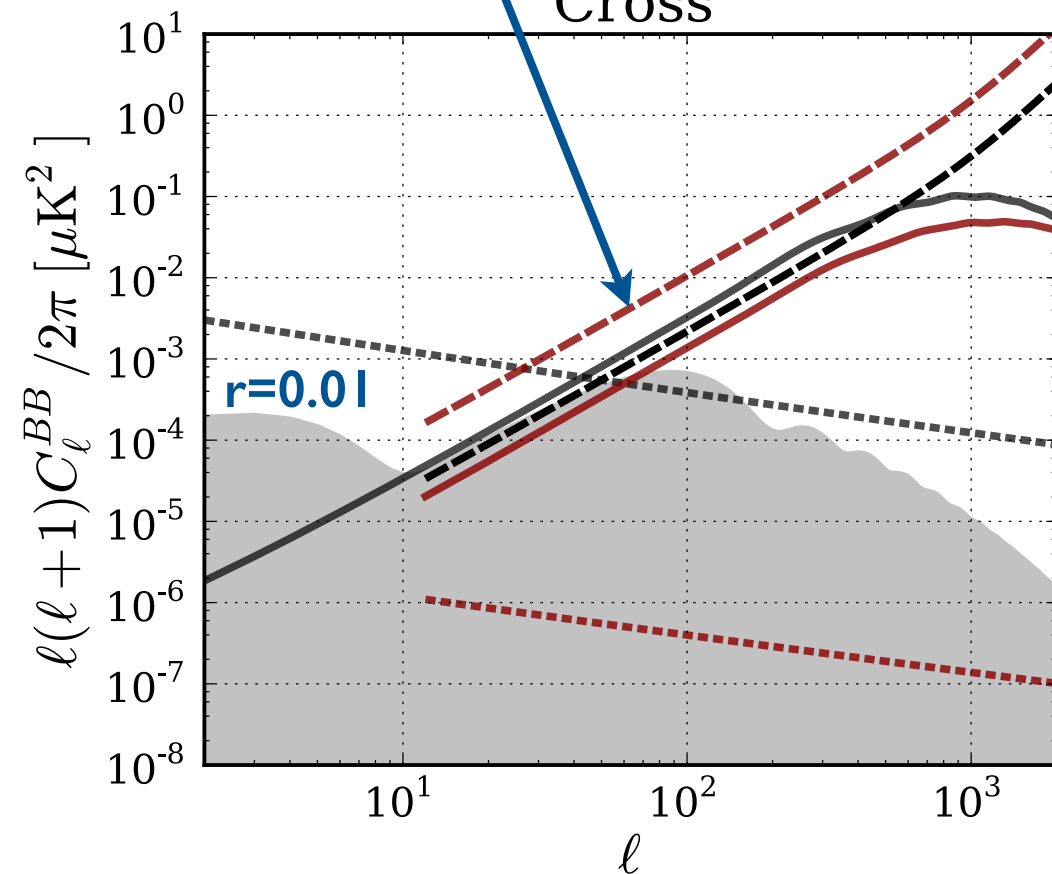
cleaned B-modes
noise-dominated

residuals
important

cleaned B-modes
lensing-dominated

Cross

Cross



Pre-2020: ground x balloon

Post-2020: ground x satellite

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Forecasting delensing

- Lensing acts like white noise (for r) at ~ 5 μK -arcmin
- Delens! Subtract estimate of lensed B mode from (noisy) E mode and (noisy) lensing potential
(*Knox+ astro-ph/0202286, Okamoto+ astro-ph/0301031*)
- How to **source** lensing potential estimate?

CMB \times CMB

- ▶ noisy B mode can be iterated (Seljak+ astro-ph/0310163)
(*method: Smith+ 1010.0048*)

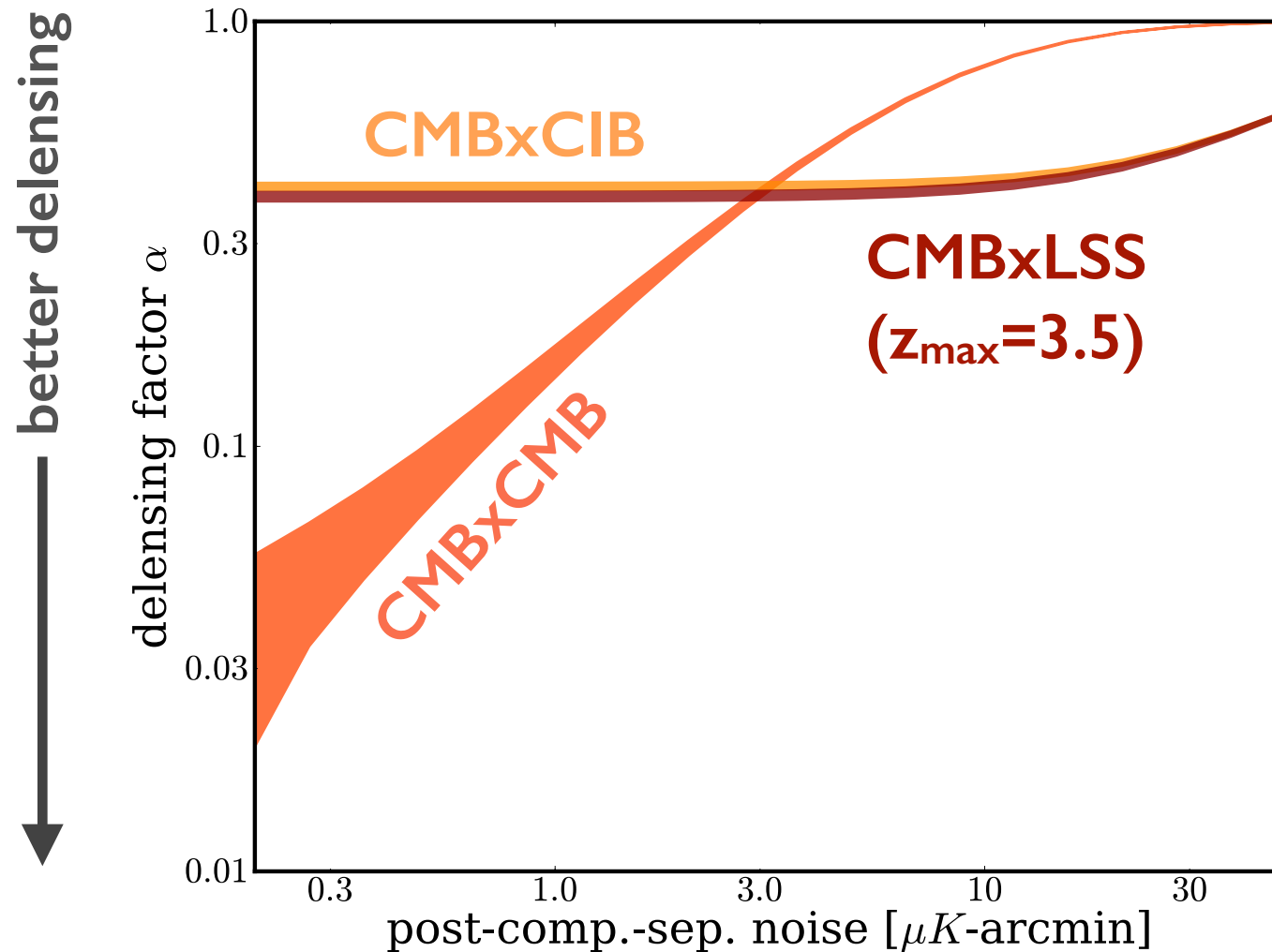
CMB \times CIB

- ▶ dusty galaxies trace lensing potential; use Planck's 545 GHz data
(*method: Sherwin+ 1502.05356, Simard+ 1410.0691*)

CMB \times LSS

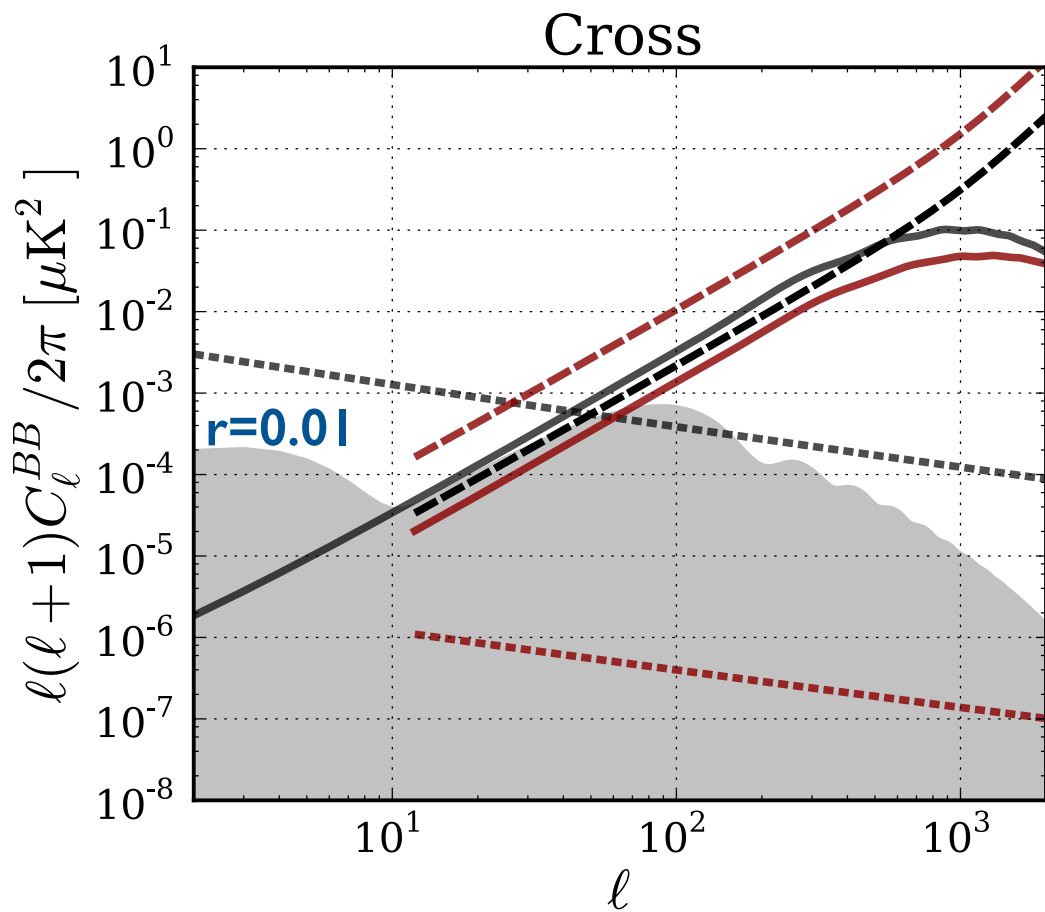
- ▶ assume perfect measurement out to $z \sim 3.5$ (LSST)
(*method: Smith+ 1010.0048*)

Delensing: toy experiment

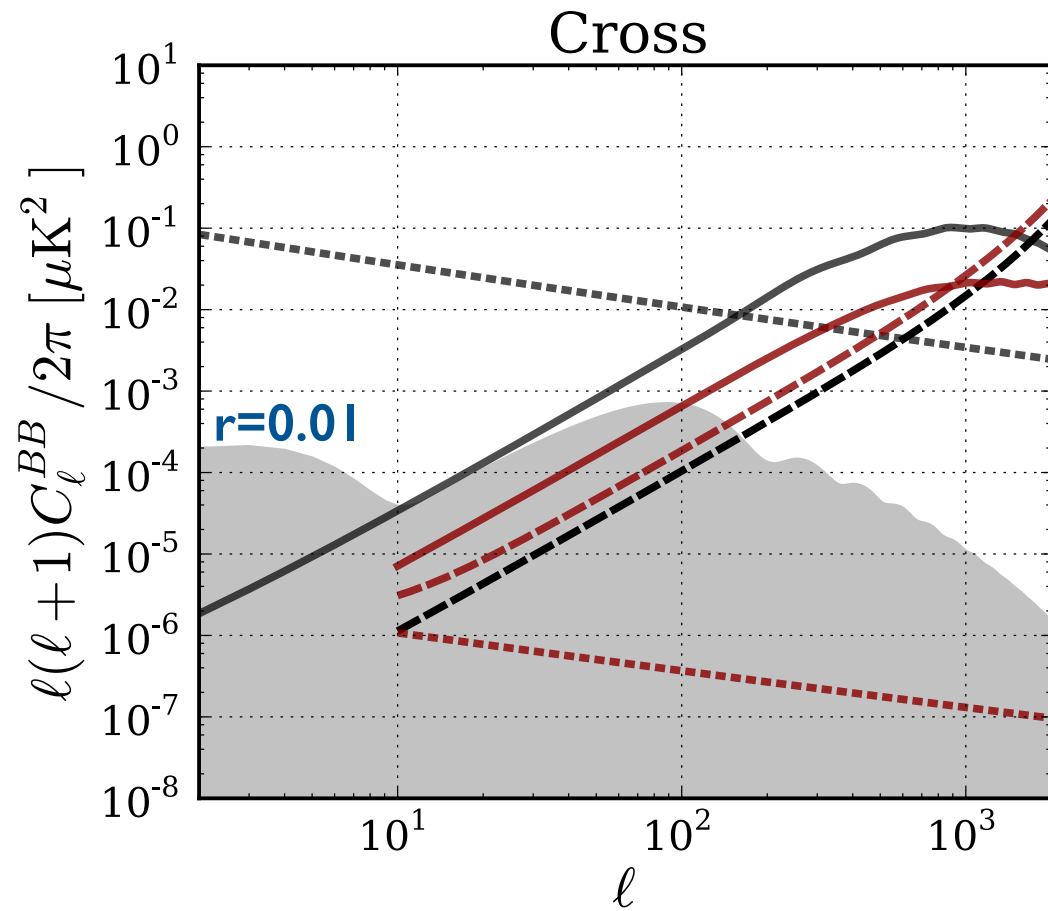


- 3' beam, $0.01 < f_{\text{sky}} < 1.0$ (f_{sky} floor without delensing)
- CIB/LSS better for noisy expts; CMB delenses to zero if noiseless.

Delensing: selected real experiments



Pre-2020: ground x balloon
CIB delensing



Post-2020: ground x satellite
CMB delensing

Fisher-matrix forecasts for cosmology

model	α_s	r	n_t	Ω_k	M_ν	N_{eff}	w_0	constraints
$\Lambda\text{CDM}+r$		✓						$\sigma(r)$
$\Lambda\text{CDM}+r + n_t$		✓	✓					$\sigma(n_t)$
$\Lambda\text{CDM}+\text{inf}$	✓	✓	✓	✓				$\sigma(n_s), \sigma(\alpha_s)$
$\Lambda\text{CDM}+\Omega_k$				✓				$\sigma(\Omega_k)$
$\Lambda\text{CDM}+M_\nu$					✓			$\sigma(M_\nu)$
$\Lambda\text{CDM}+N_{\text{eff}}$						✓		$\sigma(N_{\text{eff}})$
$w\text{CDM}$							✓	$\sigma(w_0)$

- Noise includes boost from inversion, foreground residuals(, delensing residuals)
- Parameters constrained in simplest extended model
- Planck best-fit plus $r = 0.001$ ($\Lambda\text{CDM}+r+n_t$: $r=0.1$)
- Consistency relation: $n_t = -r/8$

Cosmological Highlights

Pre-2020:

- **inflation:**

- $\sigma(r=0.001) \sim 0.003$
- $\sigma(n_t) \sim 0.2$ ($r = 0.1$)

- **neutrinos:**

- $\sigma(M_\nu) \sim 60$ meV
CMBxCIB deflection estimate

Post-2020:

- **inflation:**

- $\sigma(r=0.001) \sim 2 \times 10^{-4}$
5- σ measurement (<80% delensing)
- $\sigma(n_t) \sim 0.03$ ($r = 0.1$)

- **neutrinos:**

- $\sigma(M_\nu) \sim 30$ meV
(normal vs inverted hierarchies...)
- $\sigma(N_{\text{eff}}) \sim 0.024$
(thermal history 1 sec after Big Bang!)



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