

Cosmic Microwave Background: observations, data analysis, results and future expectations

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Outline

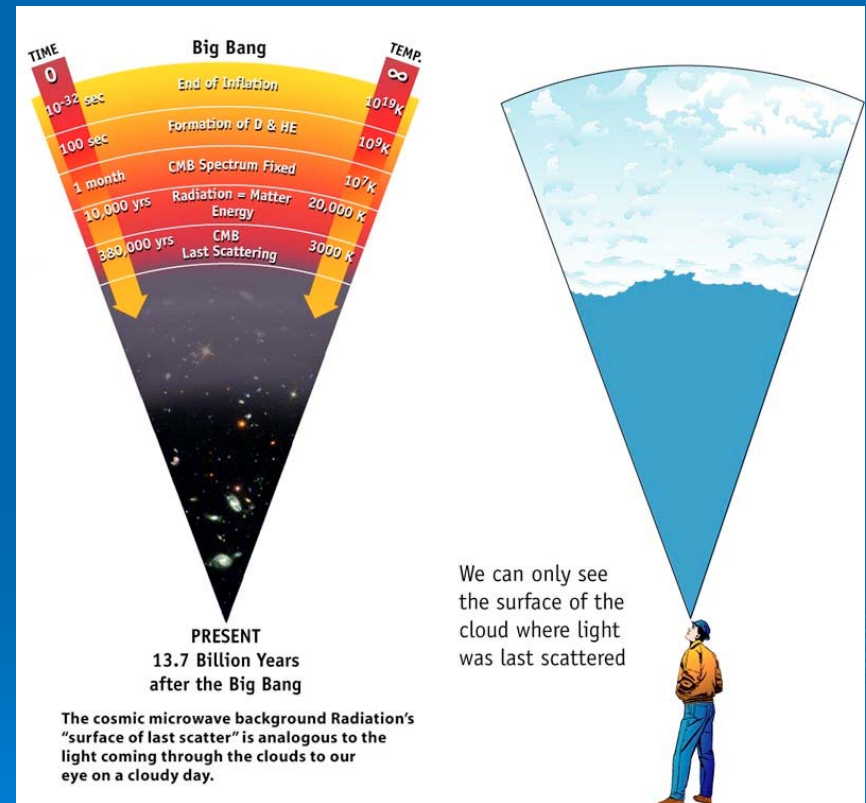
- CMB physics
- Status of the CMB observations and future experimental probes
- Basics of CMB data analysis
- Challenges for future CMB
- The science goals of the Planck satellite
- Conclusions, ☹/☺
- Adds-on: CMB lensing and dark energy, foreground removal from CMB measurements, ...

CMB physics



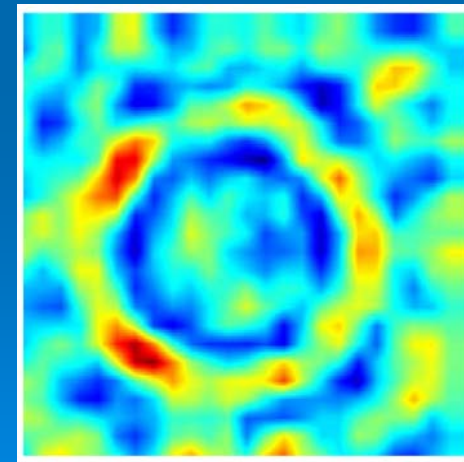
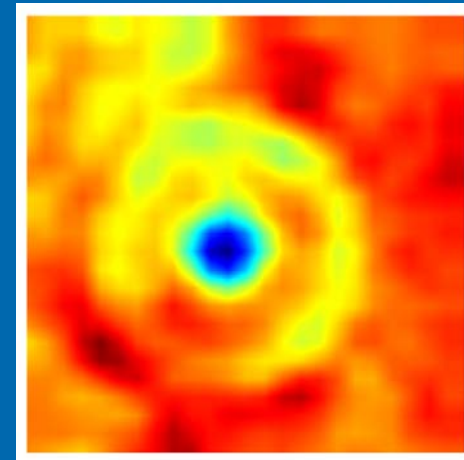
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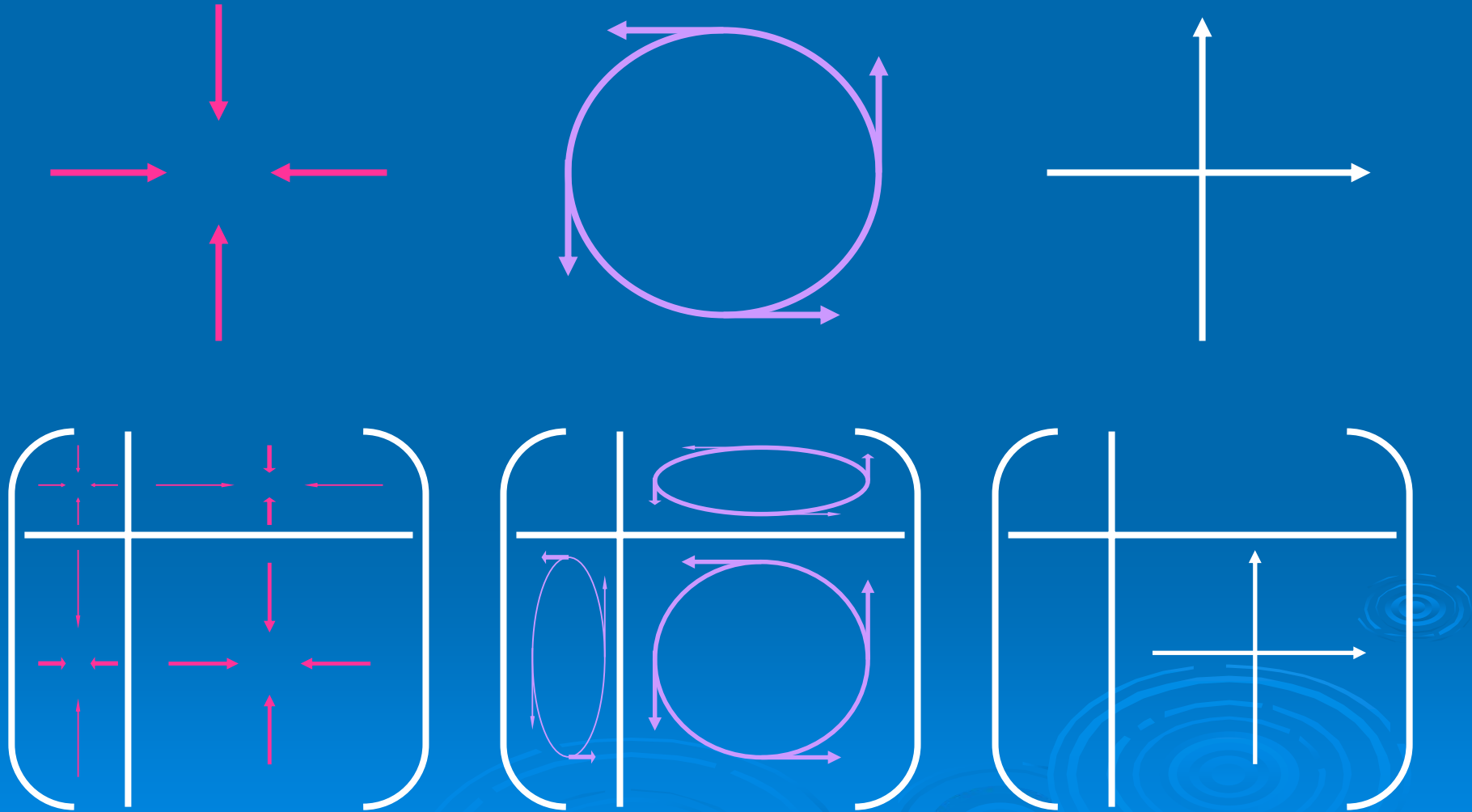
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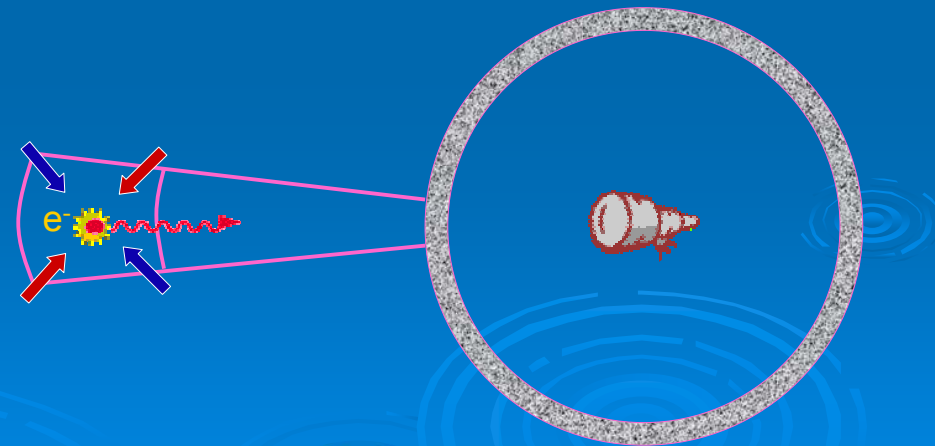
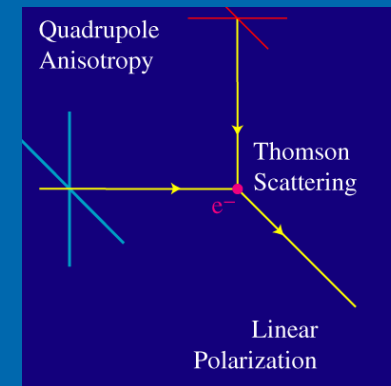
metric = photons + neutrinos + baryons + leptons + dark matter

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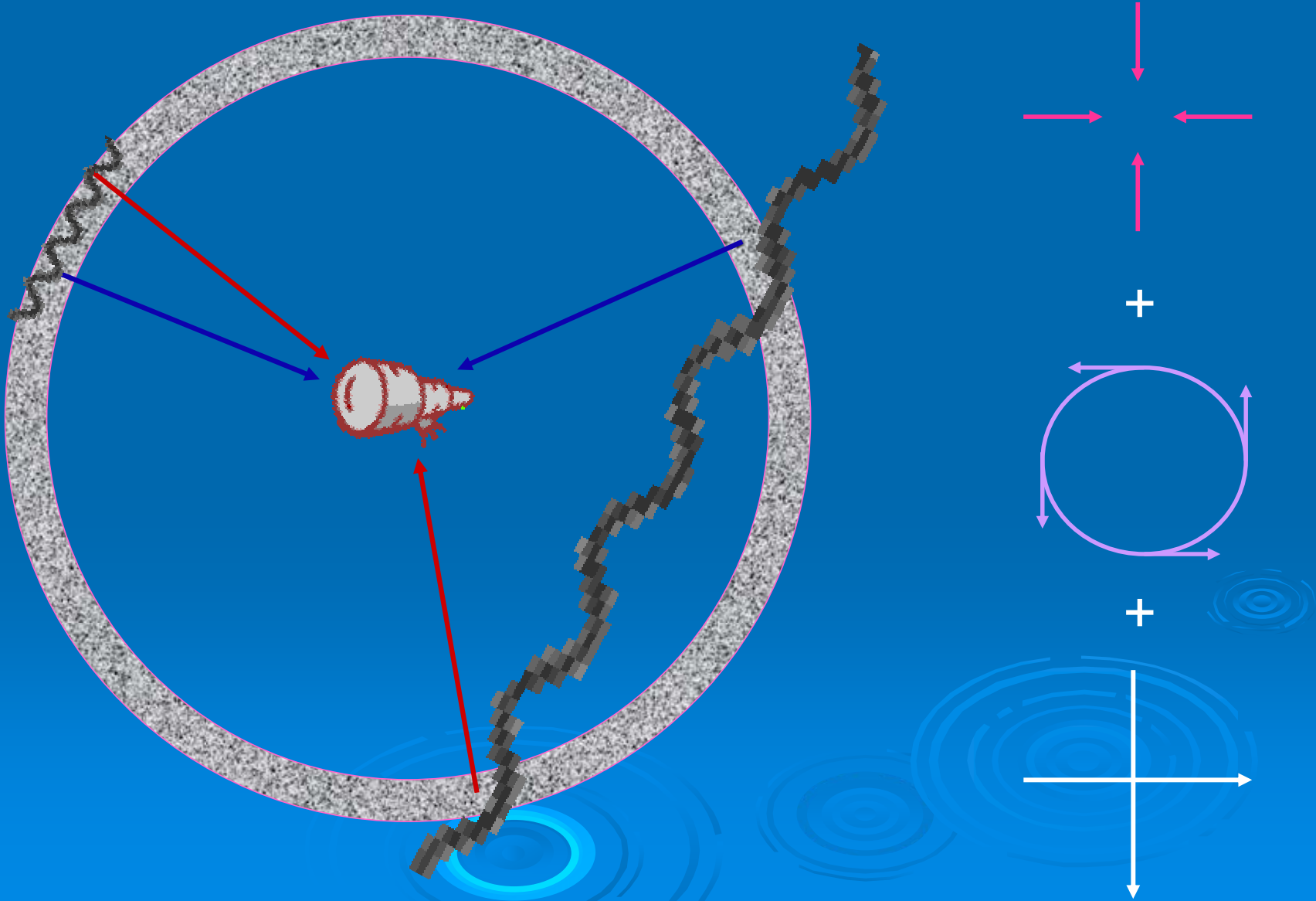


CMB Physics: Compton scattering

- Compton scattering is anisotropic
- An anisotropic incident intensity determines a linear polarization in the outgoing radiation
- At decoupling that happens due to the finite width of last scattering and the cosmological local quadrupole

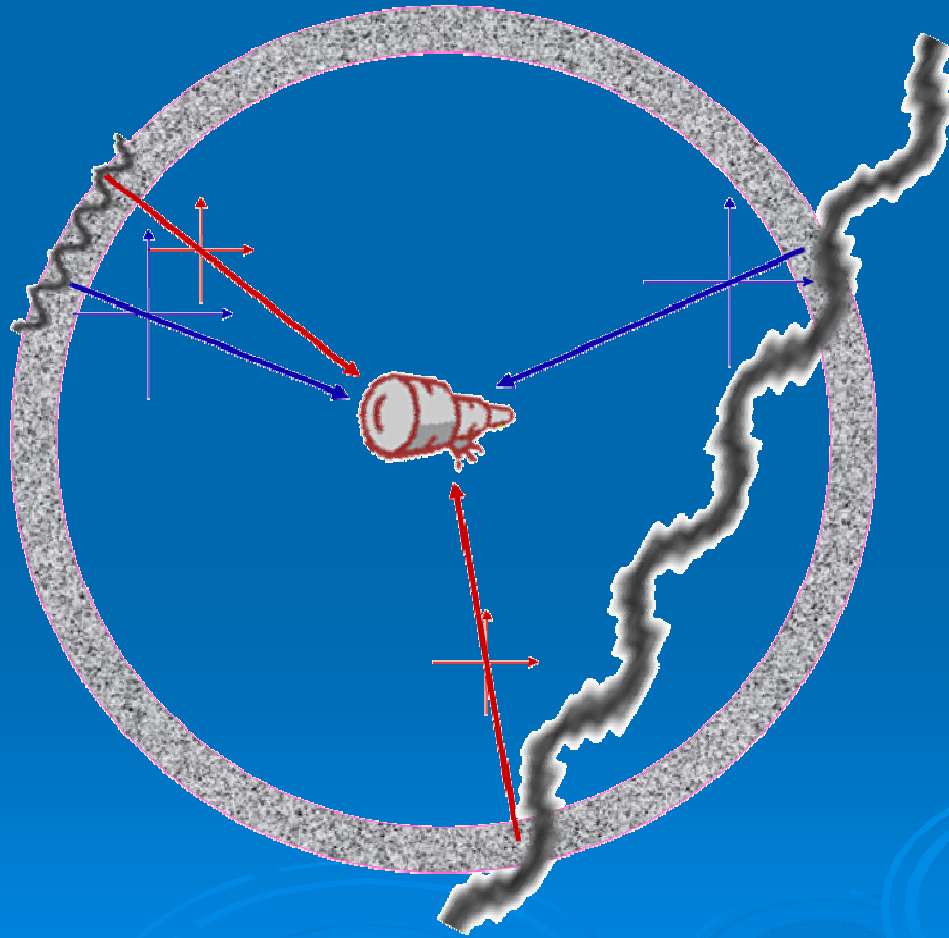
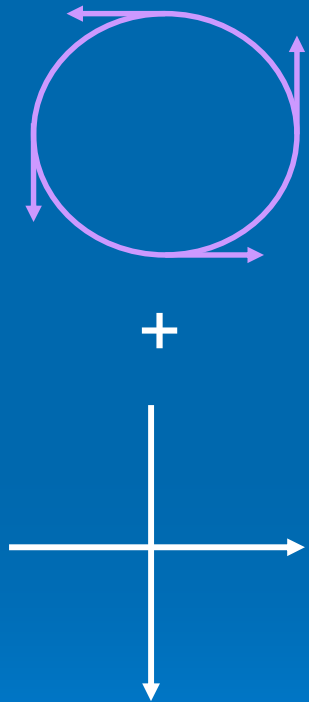


CMB anisotropy: total intensity

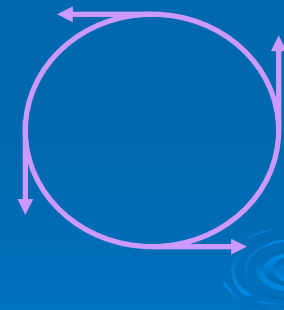
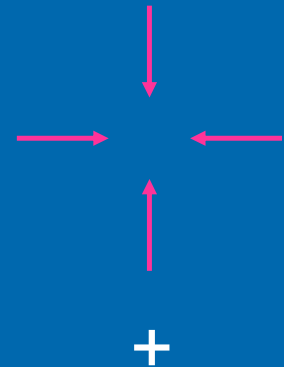


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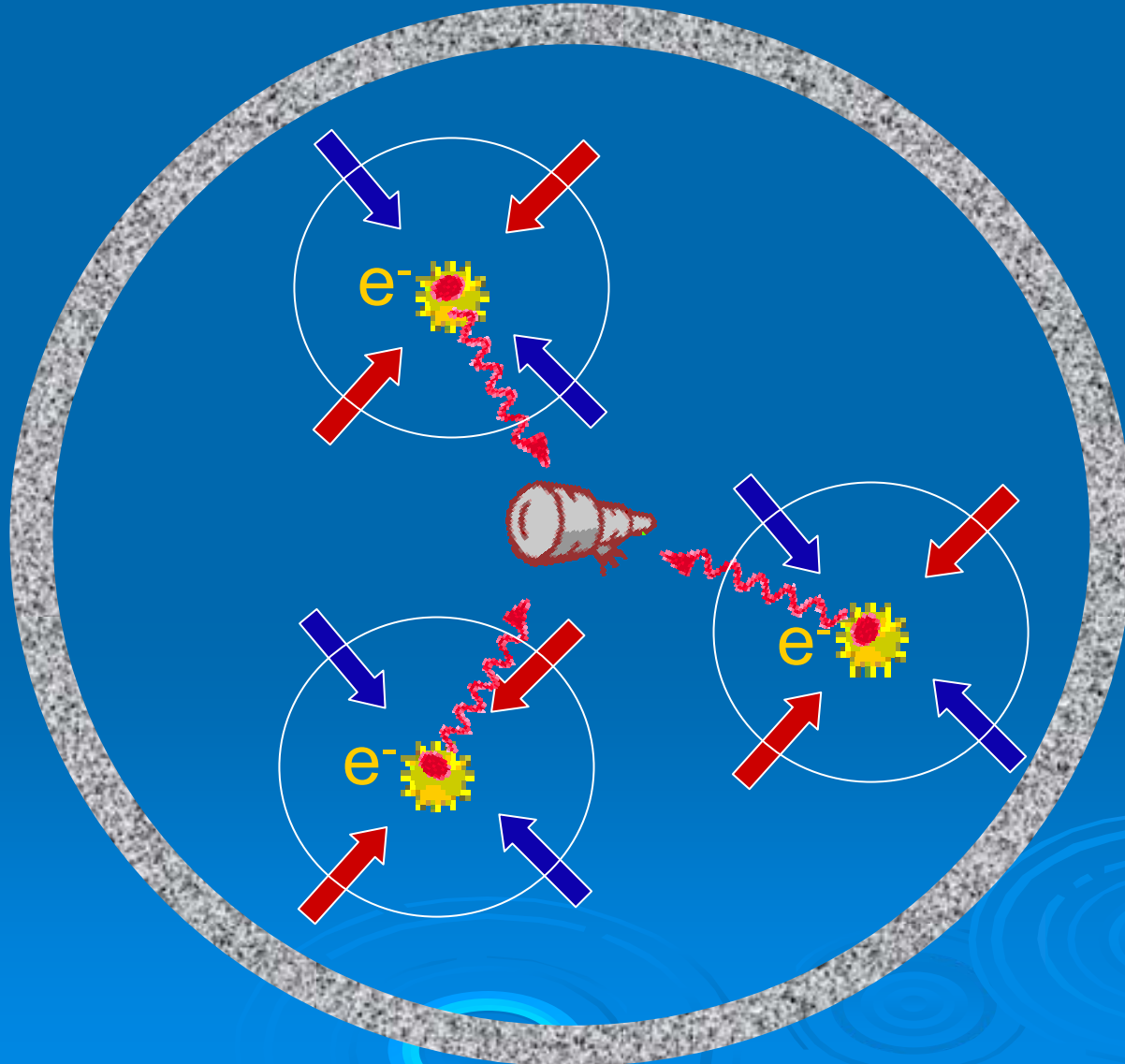
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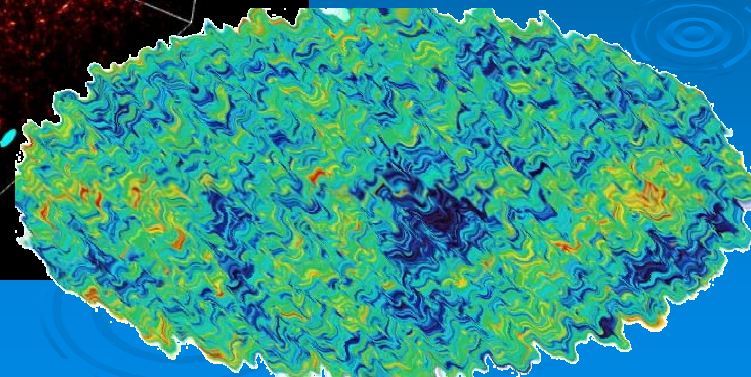
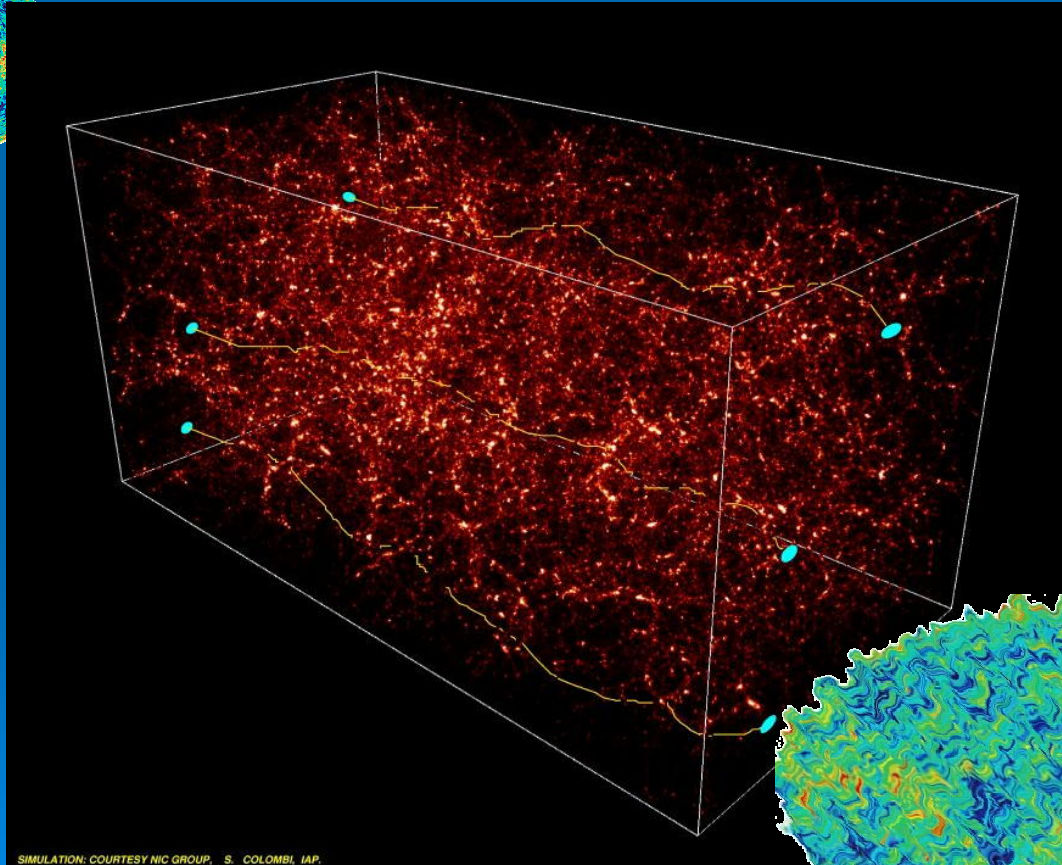
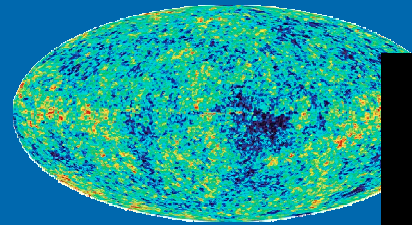
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CMB anisotropy: reionization



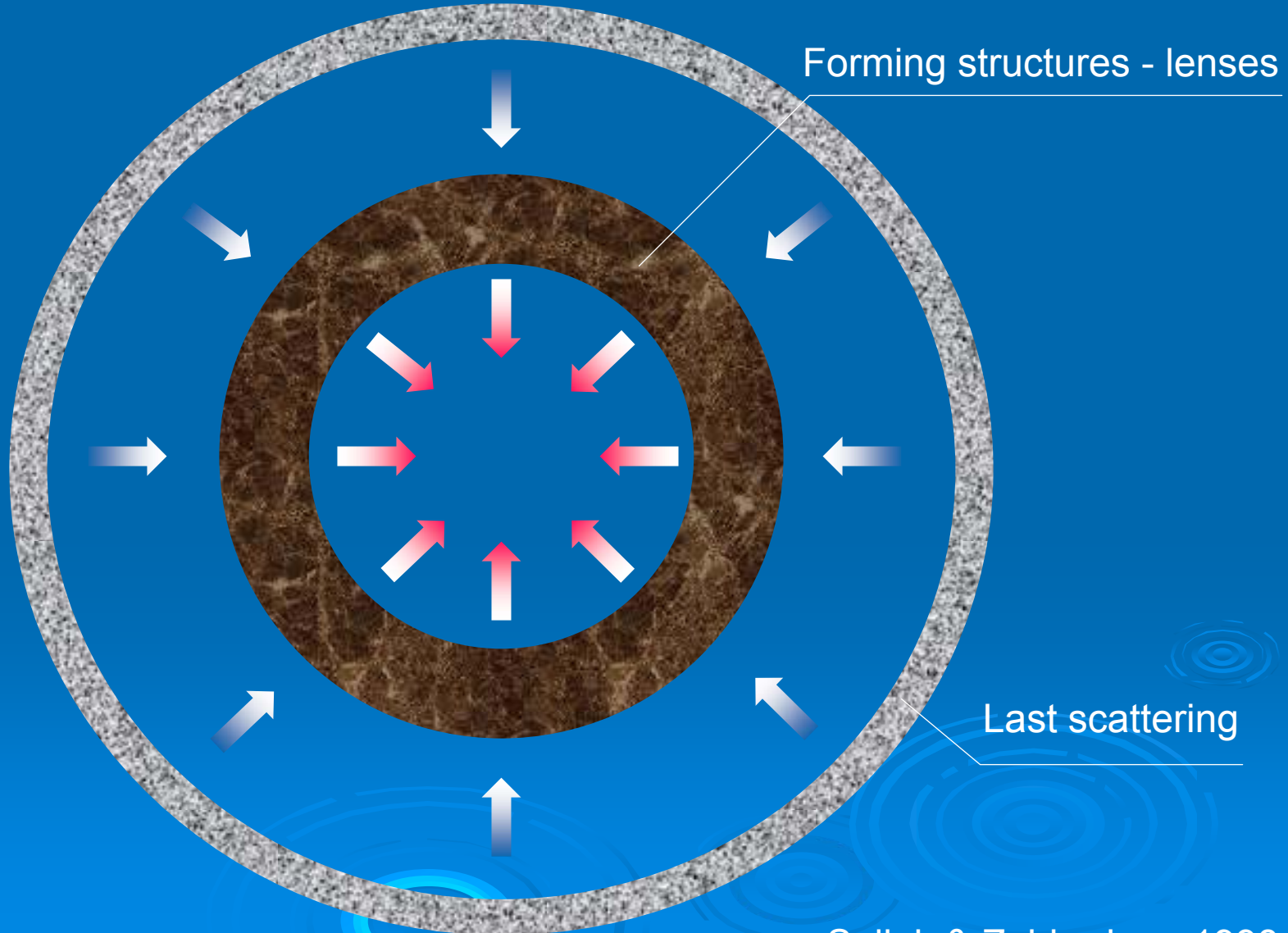
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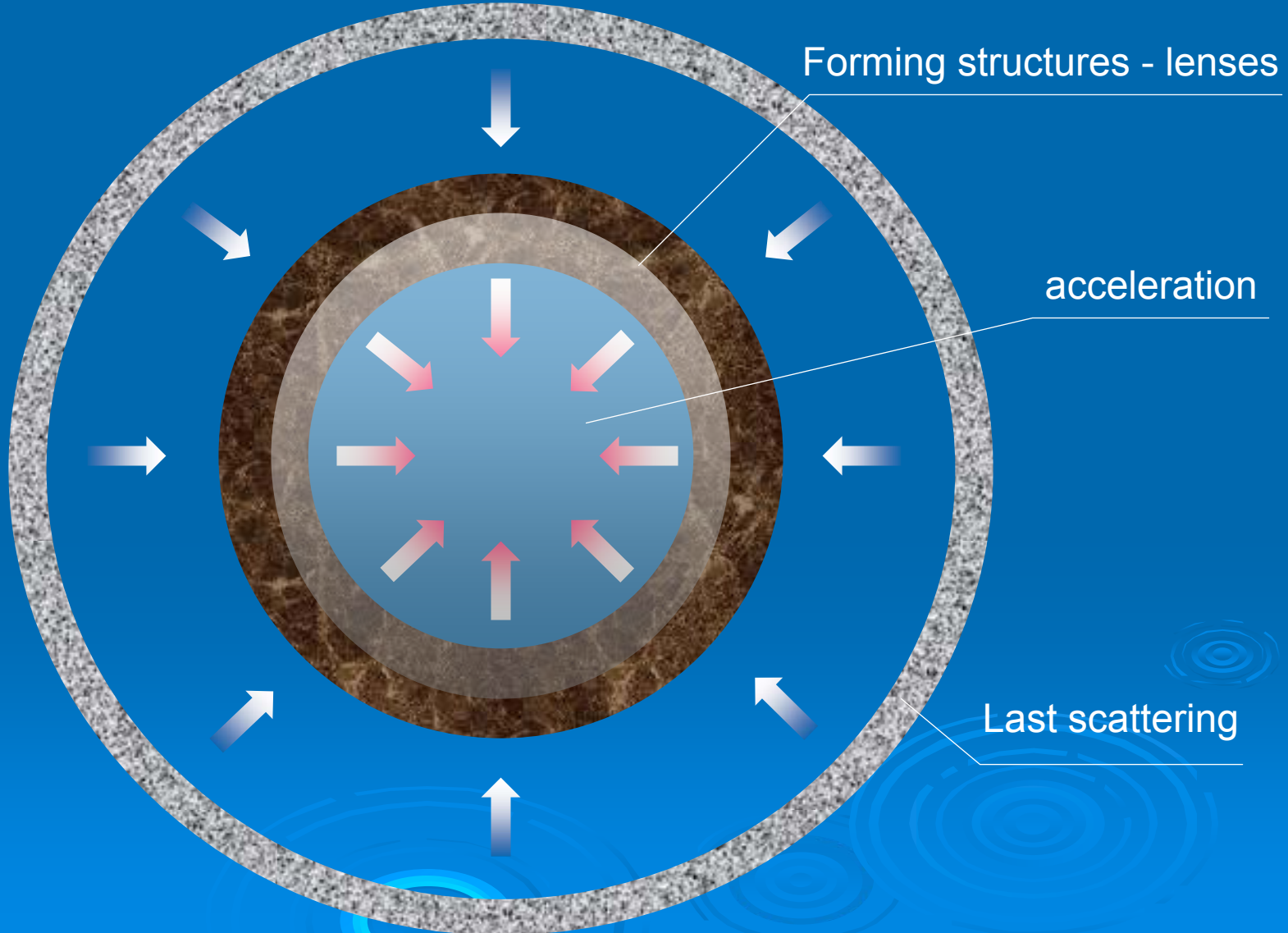
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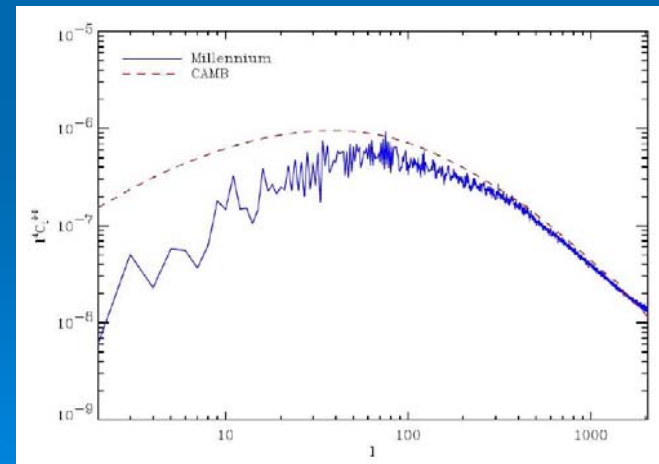
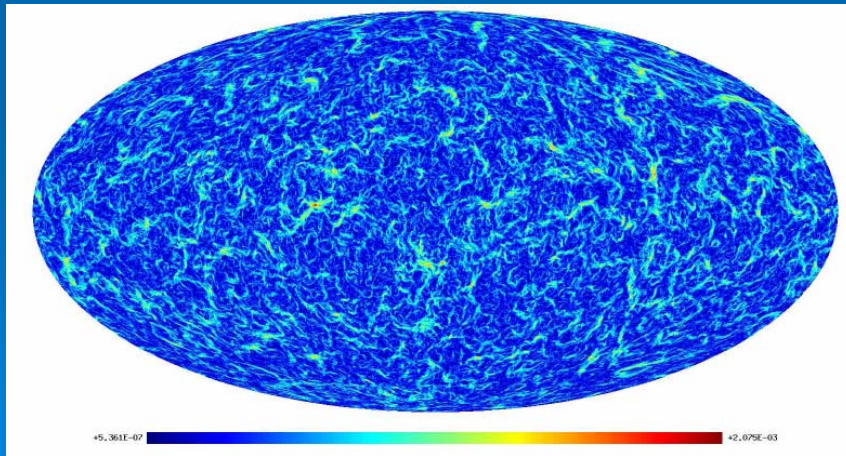
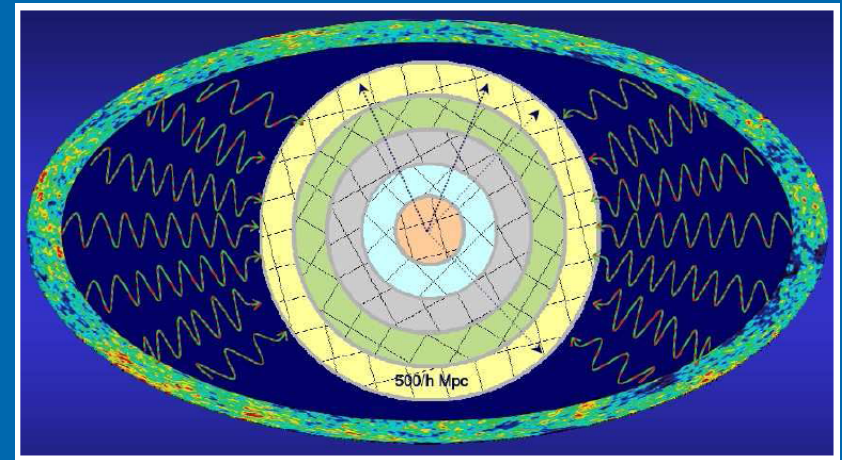
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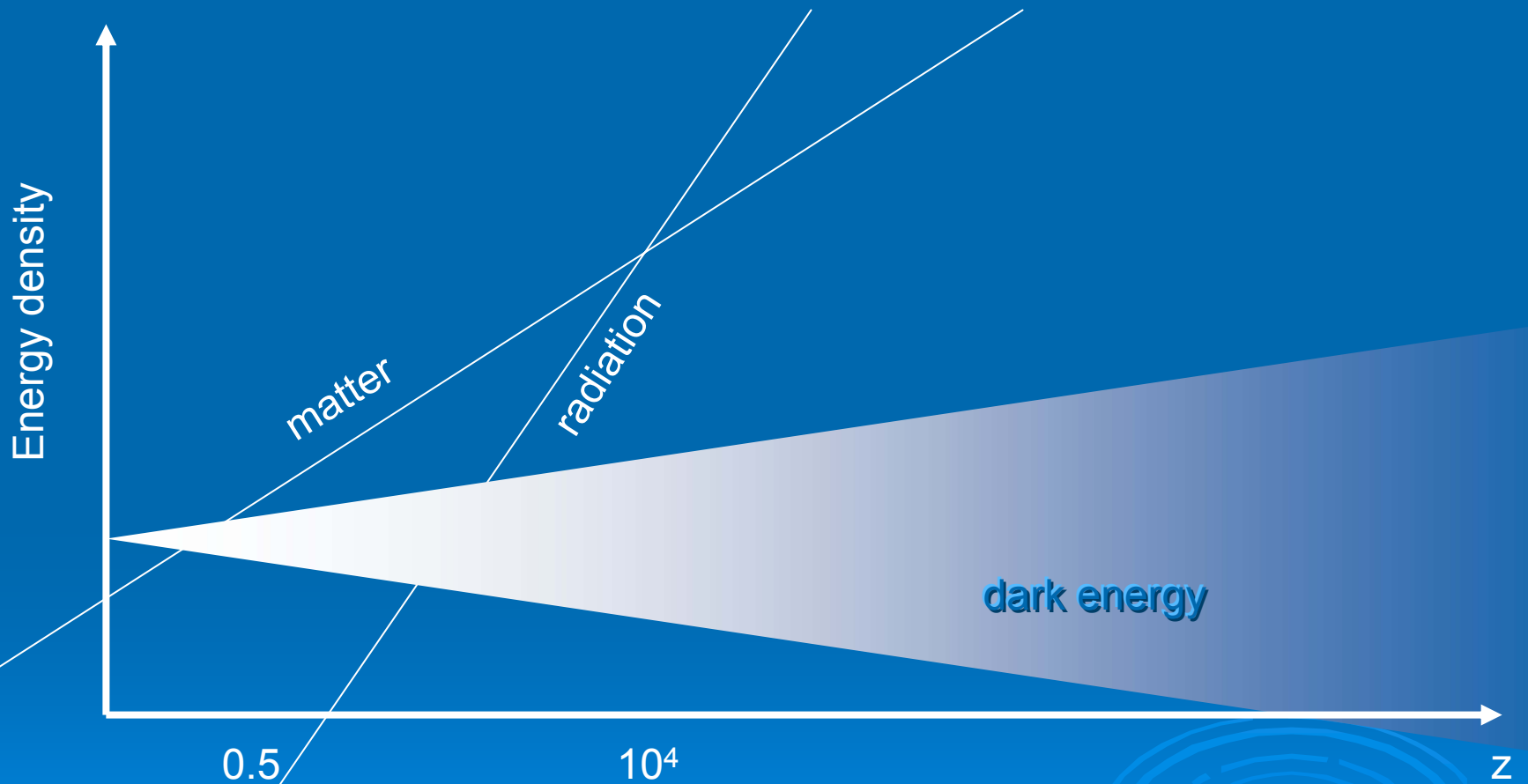


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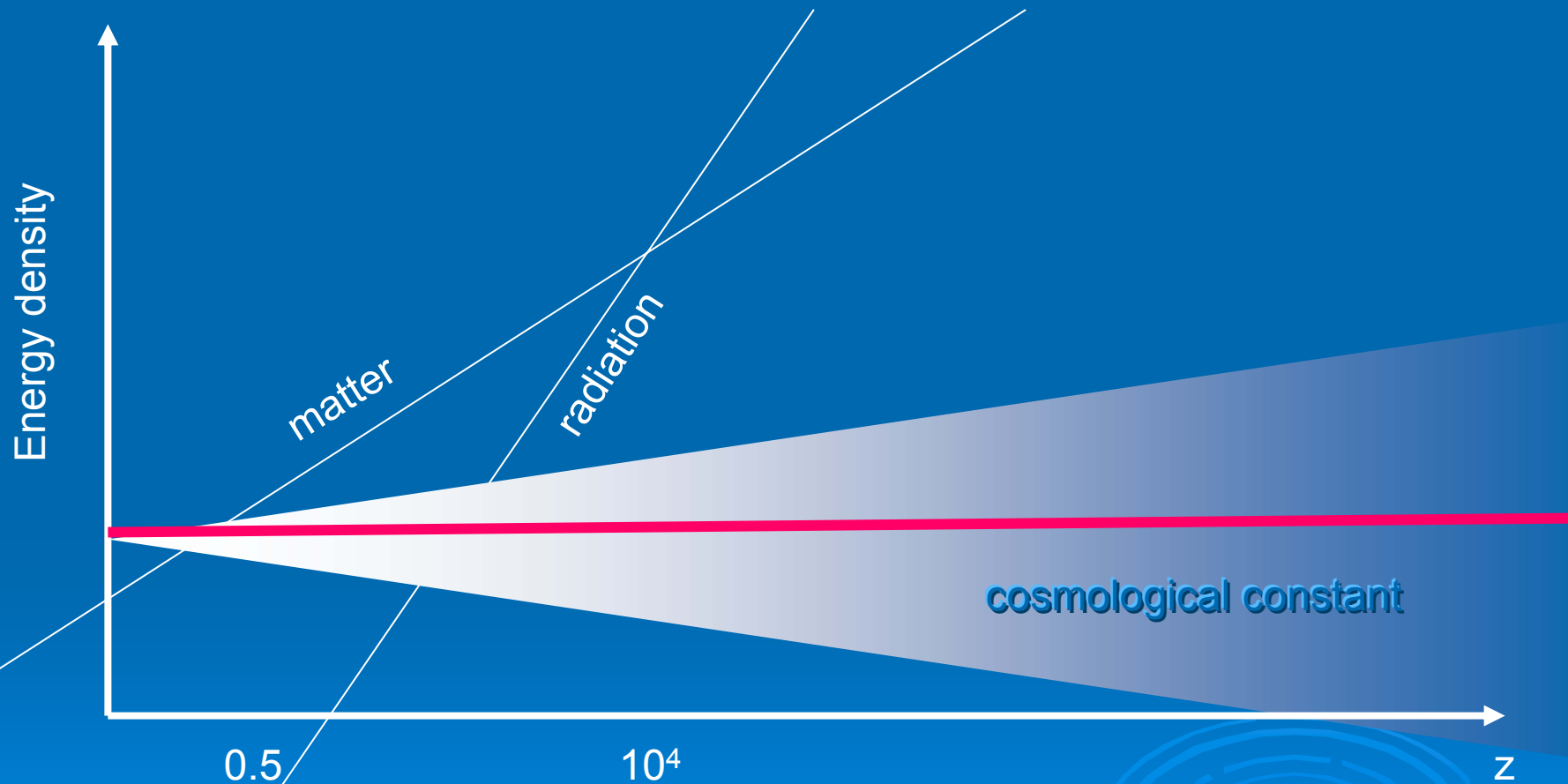
- N-body simulations are exploited for predicting the pattern and full statistics of the lensing distortion, beyond the semi-analytical estimates concerning the power spectrum
- Carbone (PhD thesis), Bartelmann, Baccigalupi, Matarrese, Springel, in preparation



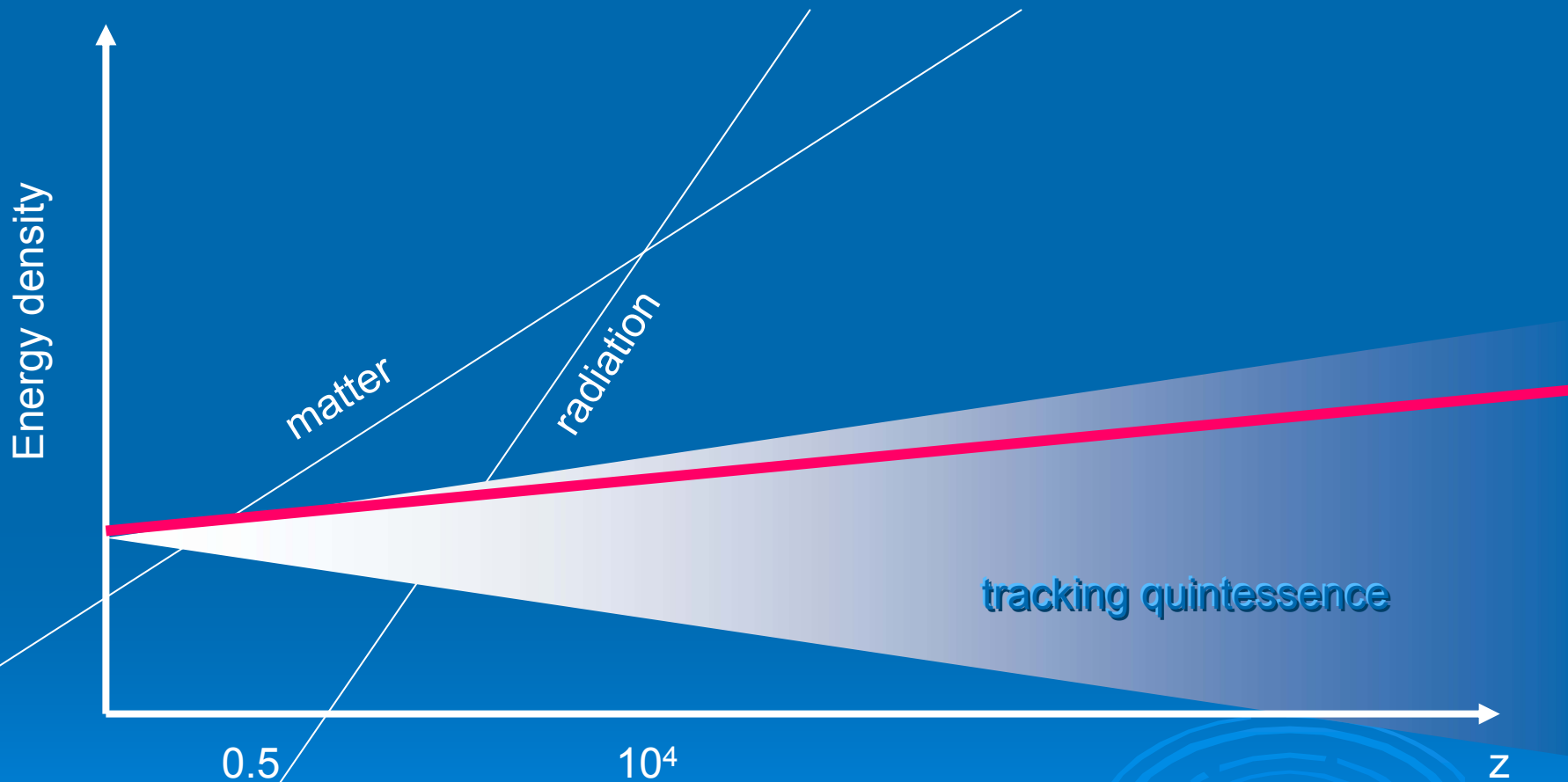
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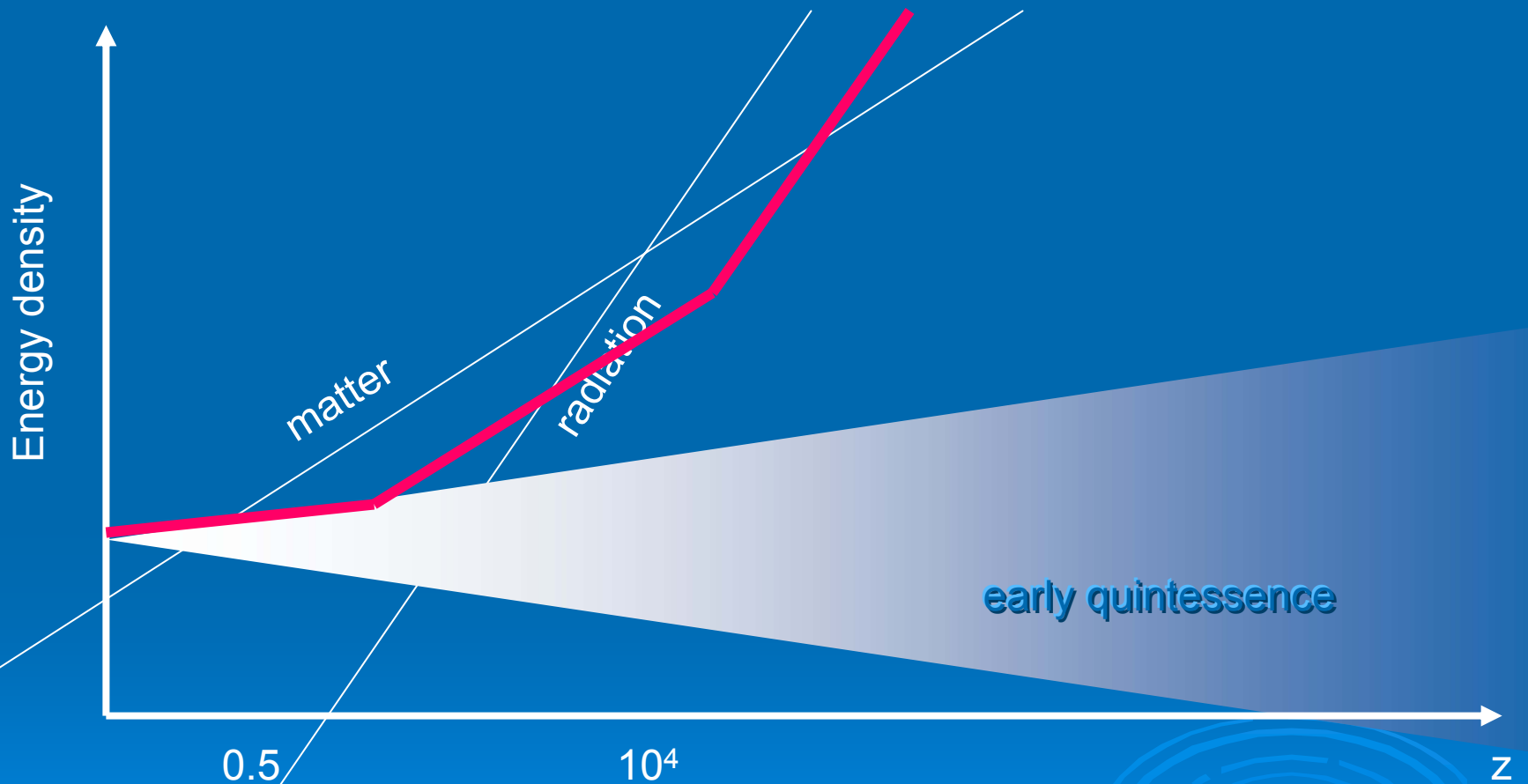
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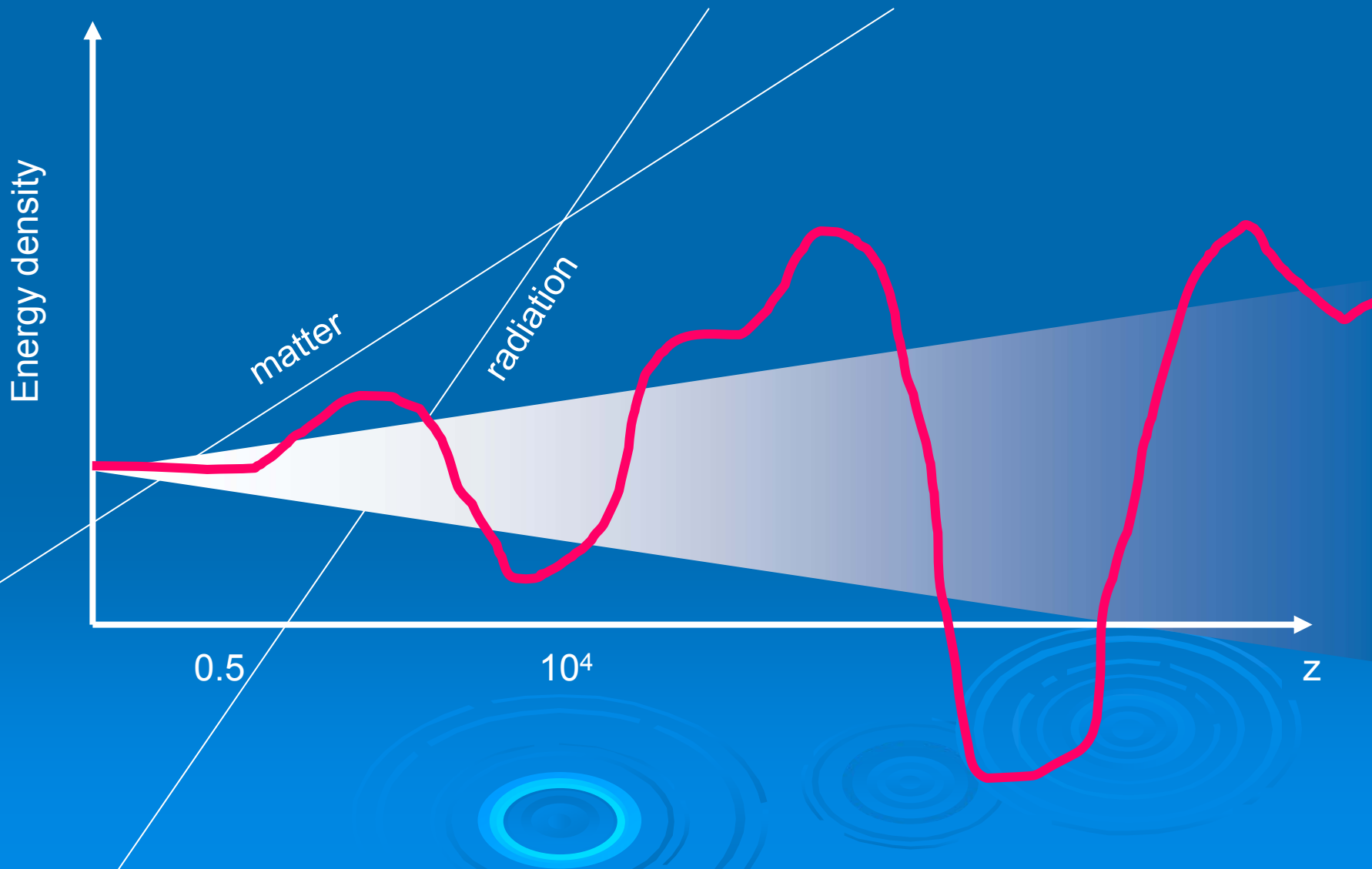
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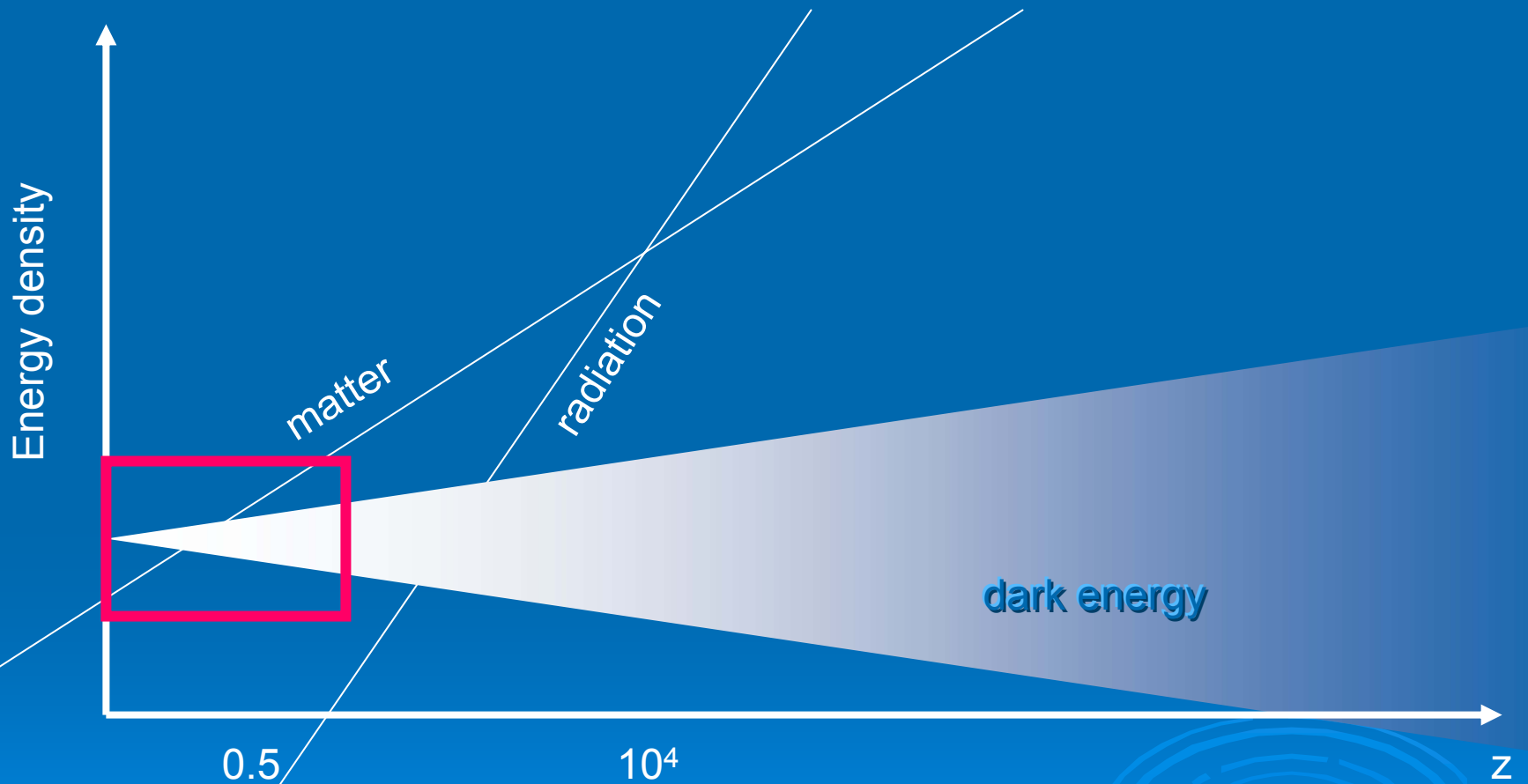
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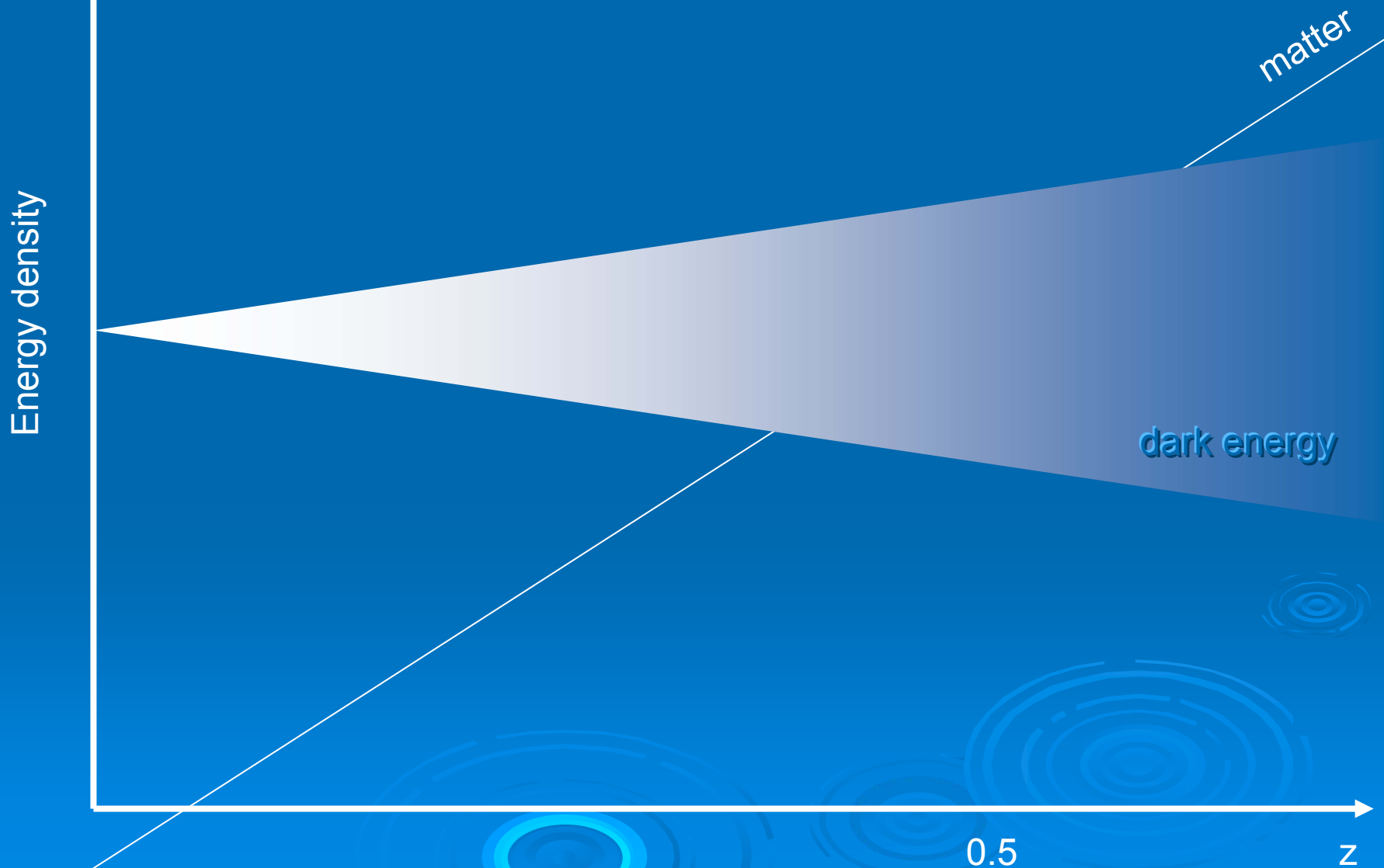
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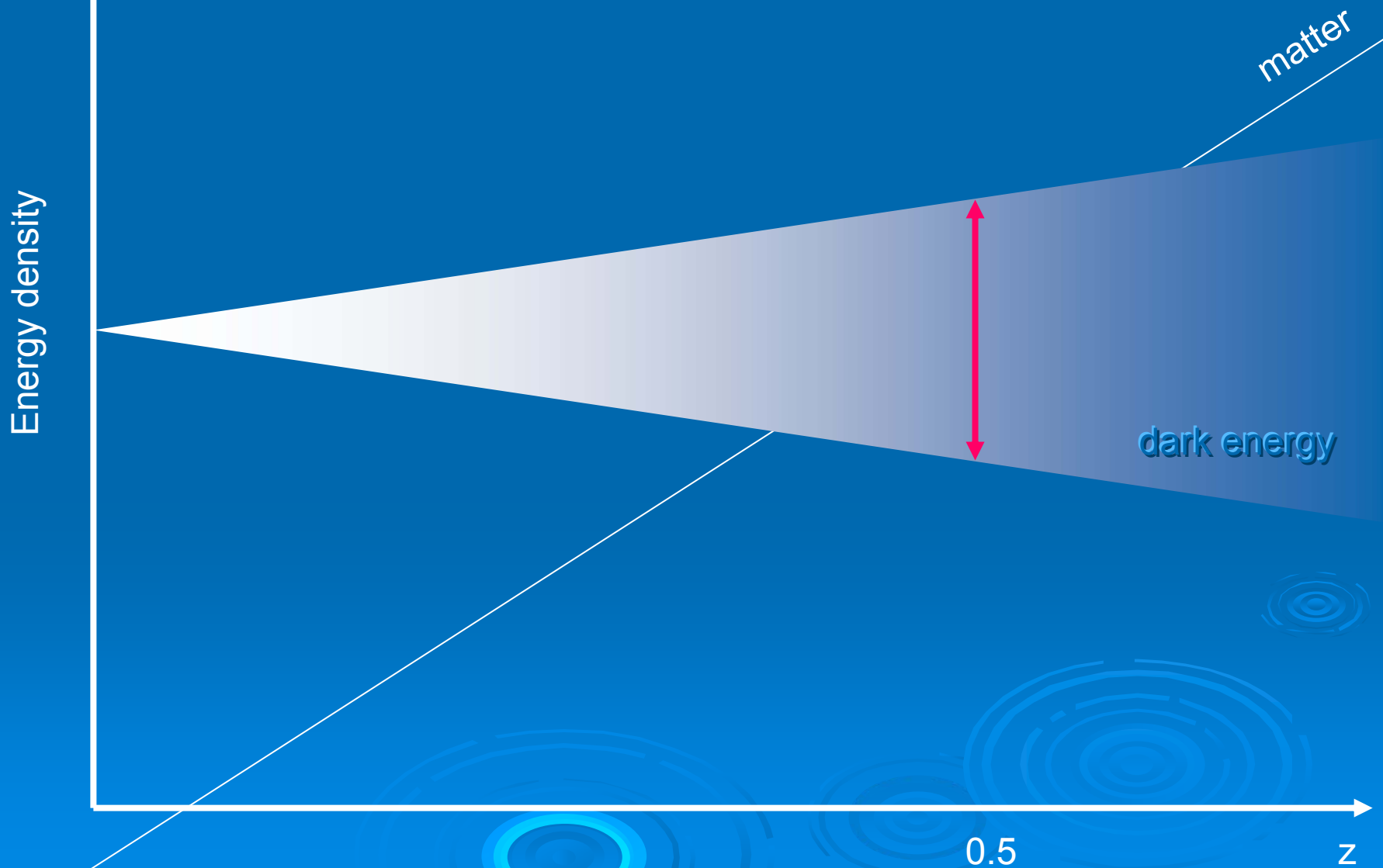
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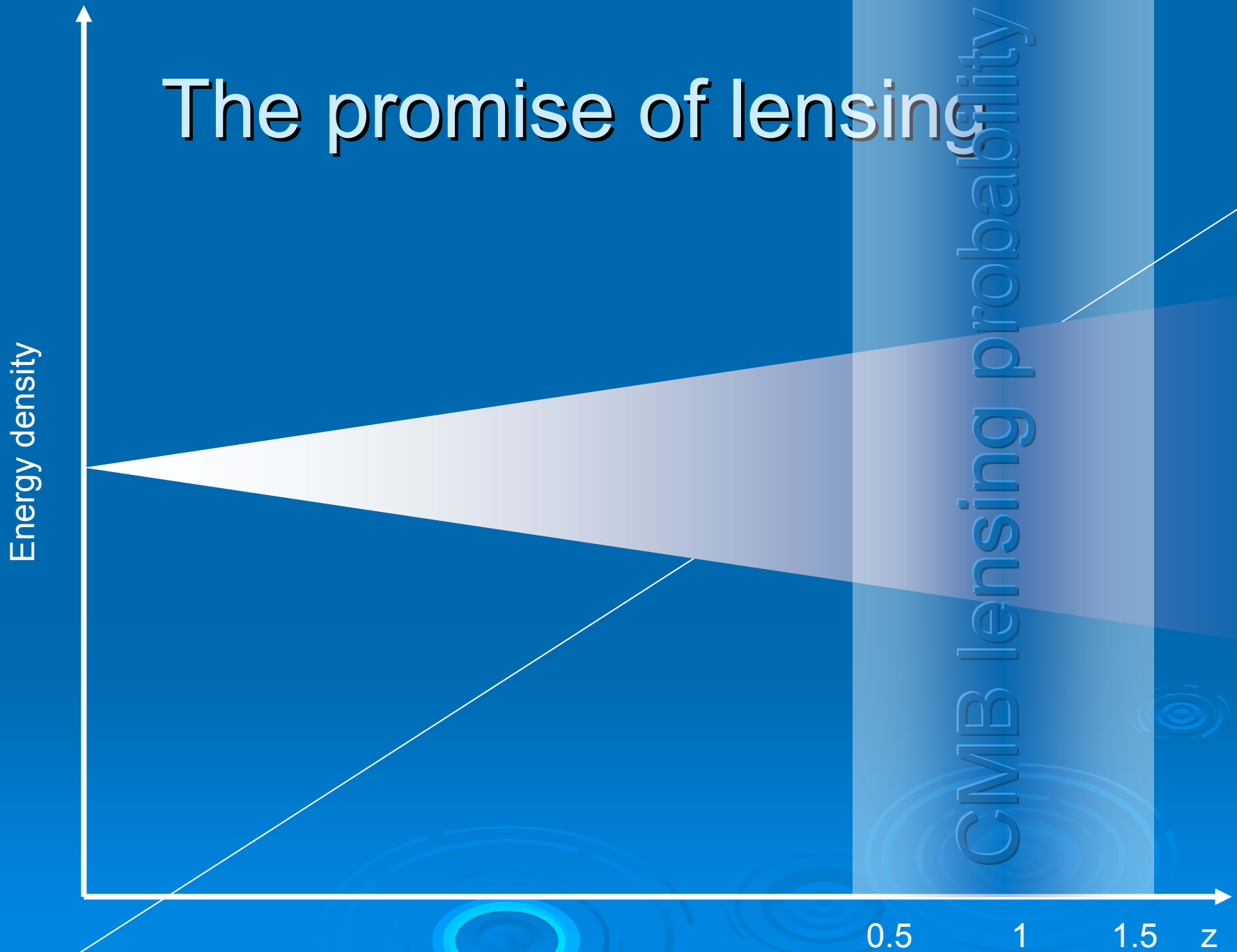


The promise of lensing



- By geometry, the lensing cross section is non-zero at intermediate distances between source and observer
- In the case of CMB as a source, the lensing power peaks at about $z=1$
- Any lensing power in CMB anisotropy must be quite sensitive to the expansion rate at the onset of acceleration

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CMB lensing probability

Status of the CMB observations and future experimental probes



CMB anisotropies

$T(n), Q(n), U(n), V(n)$

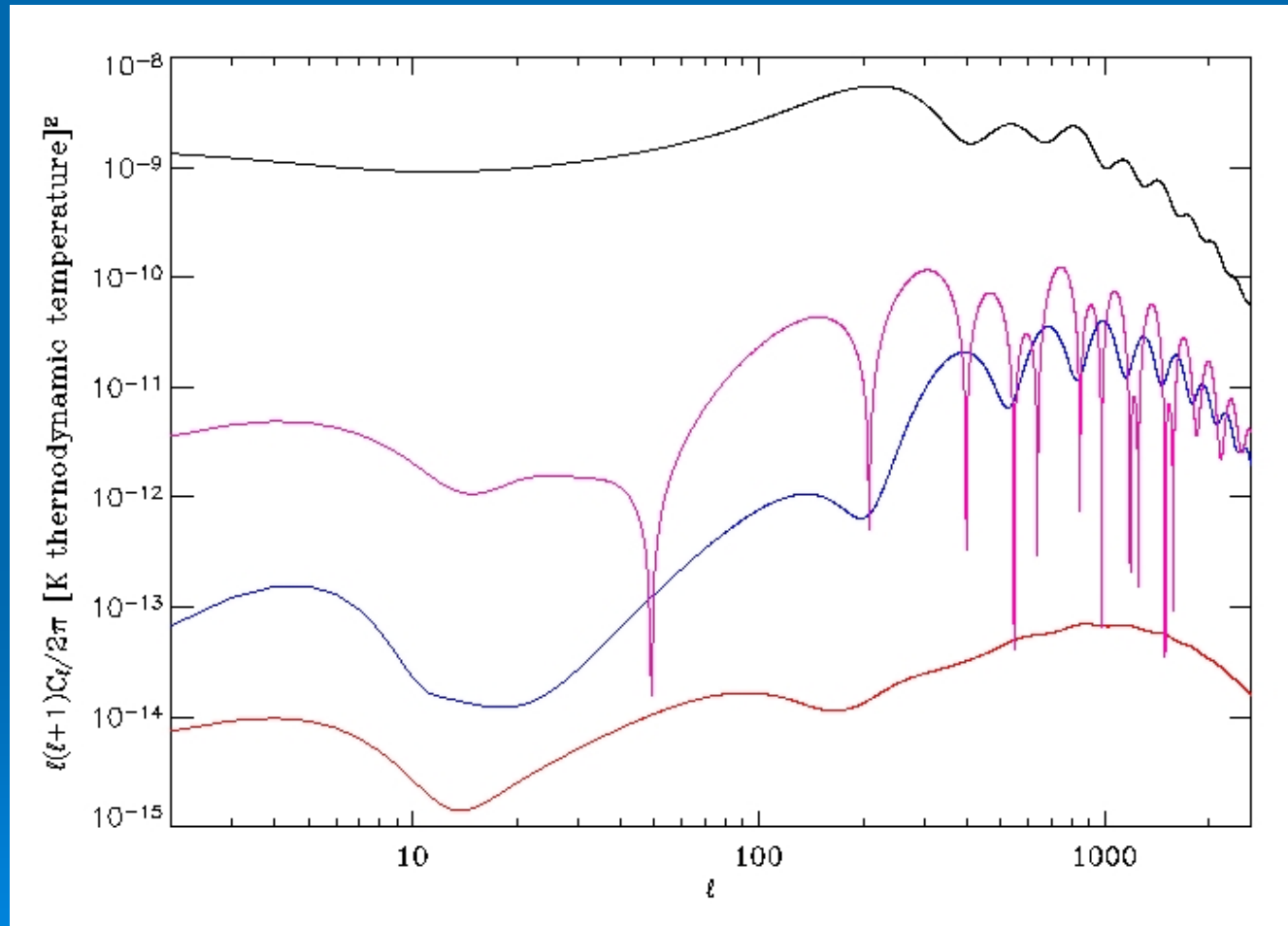
spherical harmonics

$a_{lm}^T, a_{lm}^E, a_{lm}^B$

information
compression

$$C_l = \sum_m |a_{lm}^{T,E,B}|^2 / 2(l+1)$$

CMB angular power spectrum



Angle $\approx 200/l$ degrees

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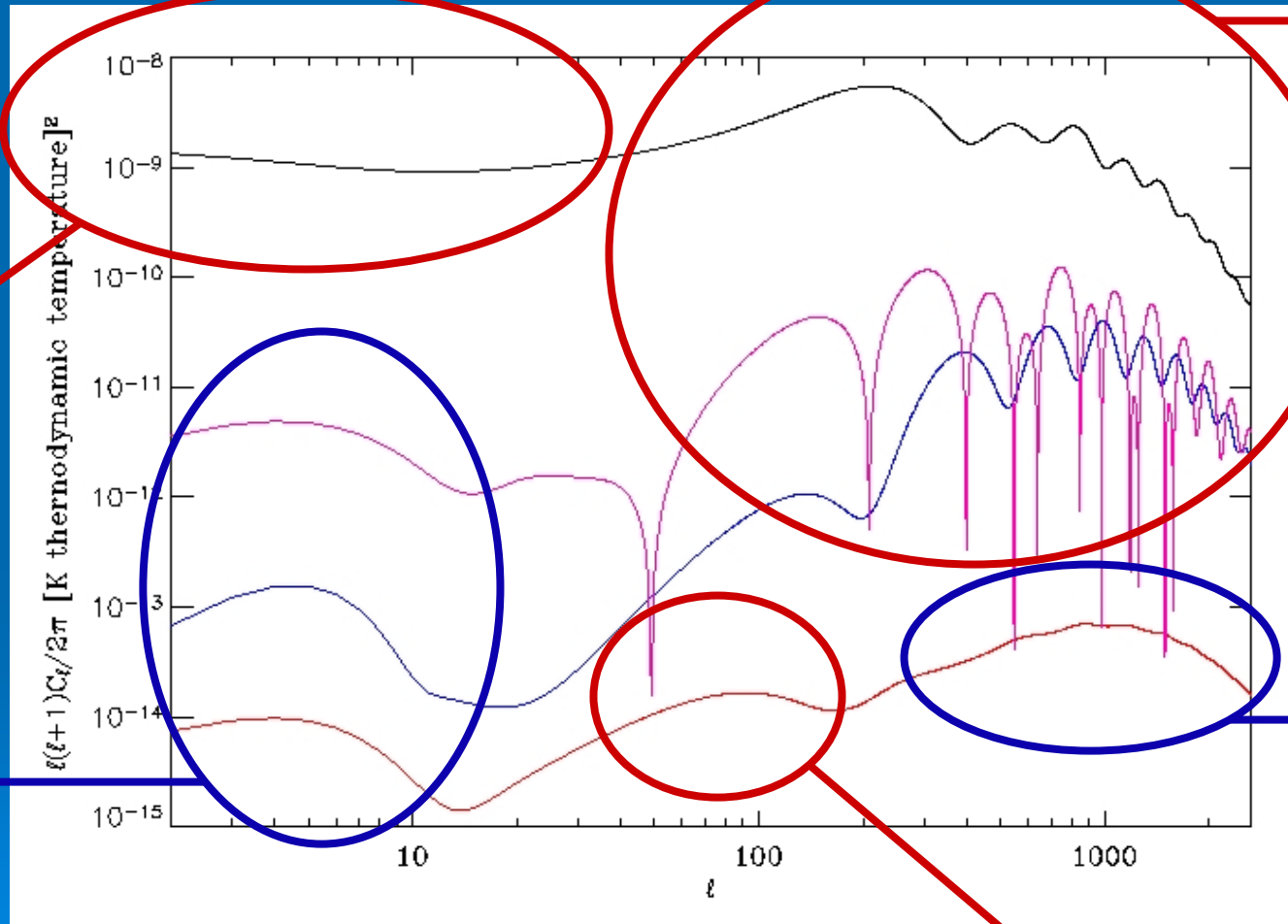
Acoustic oscillations

Primordial power

Reionization

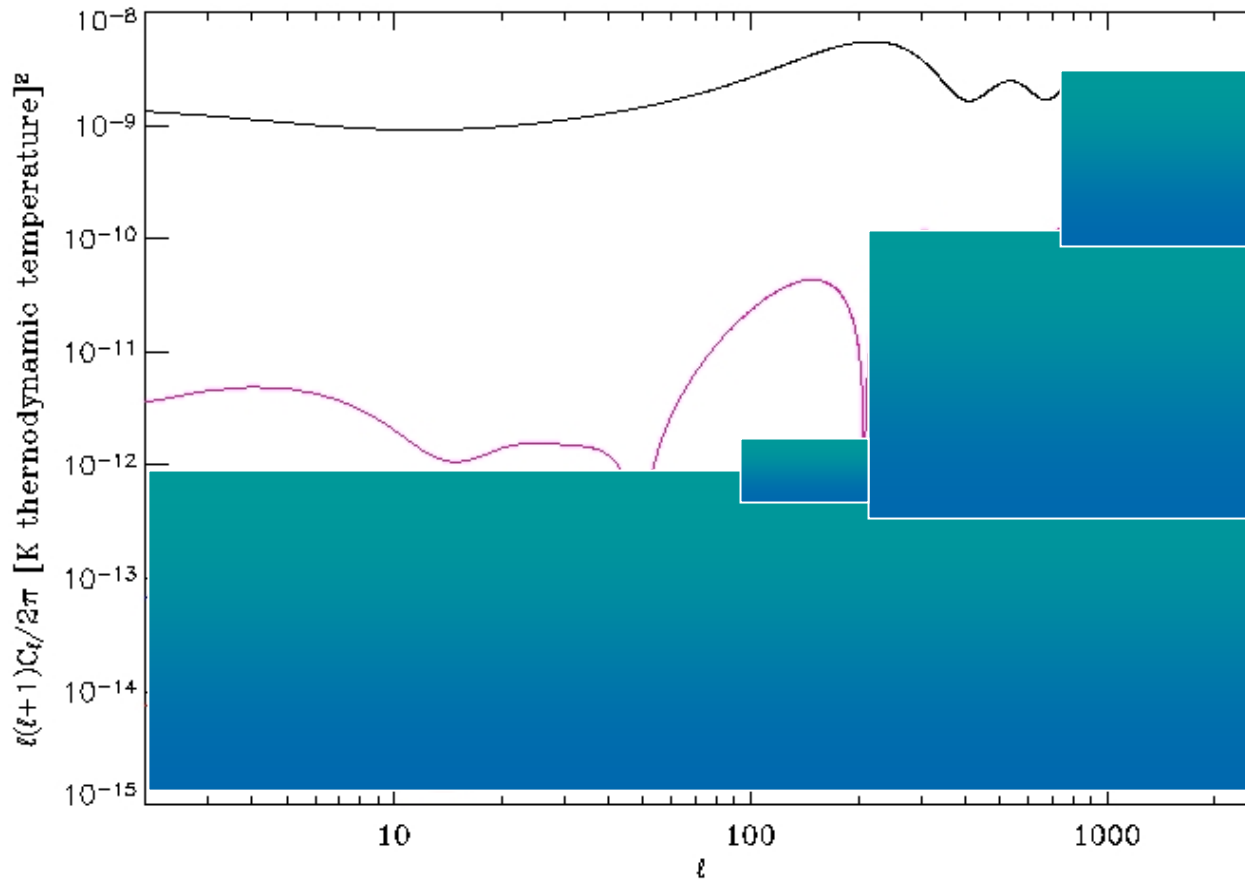
Lensing

Gravity waves



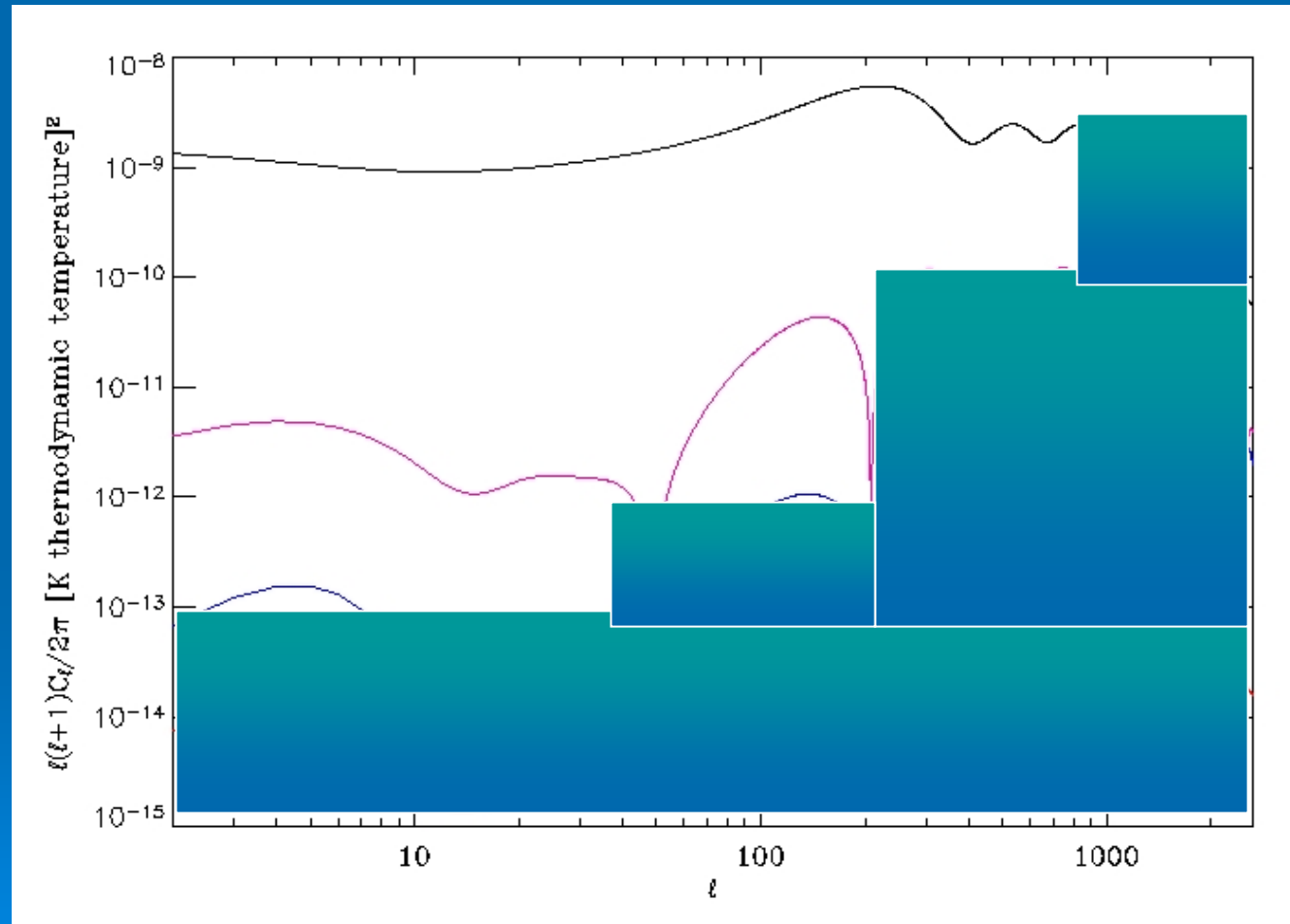
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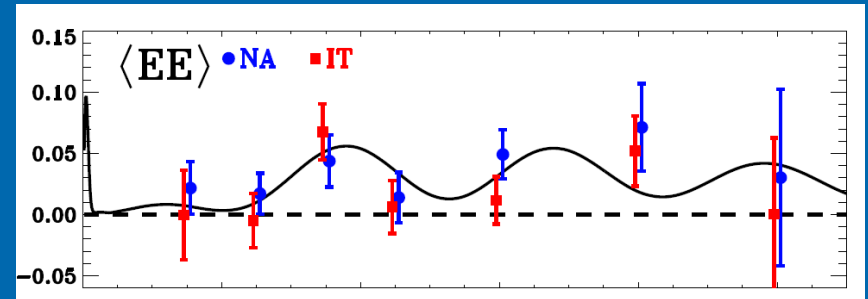
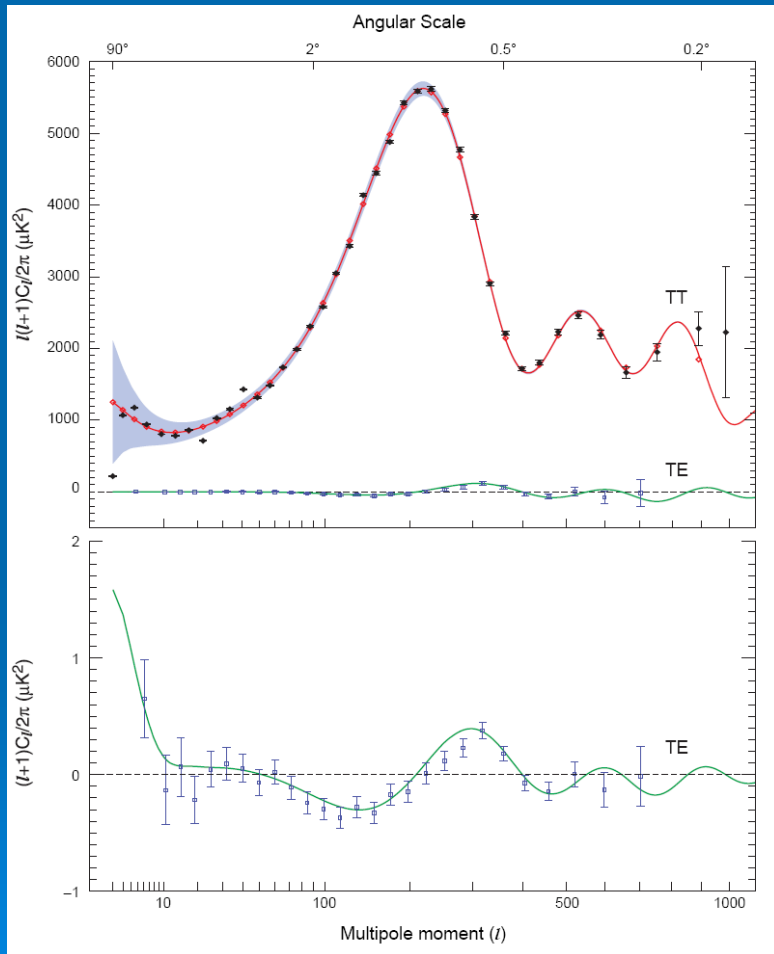
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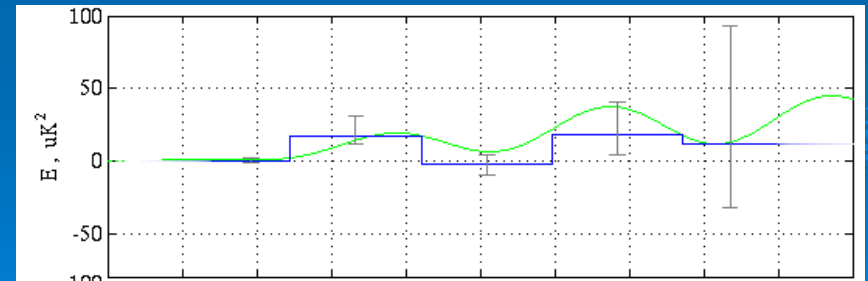


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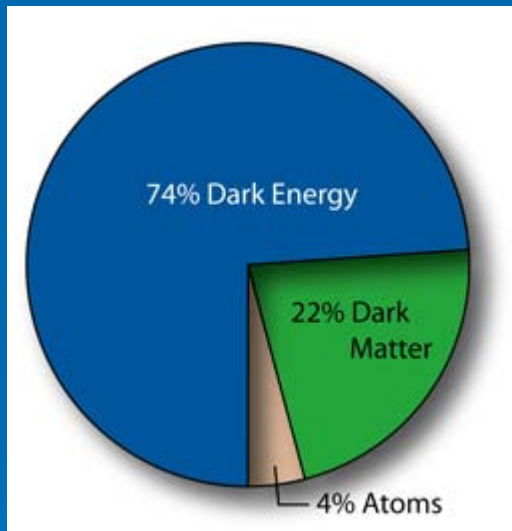


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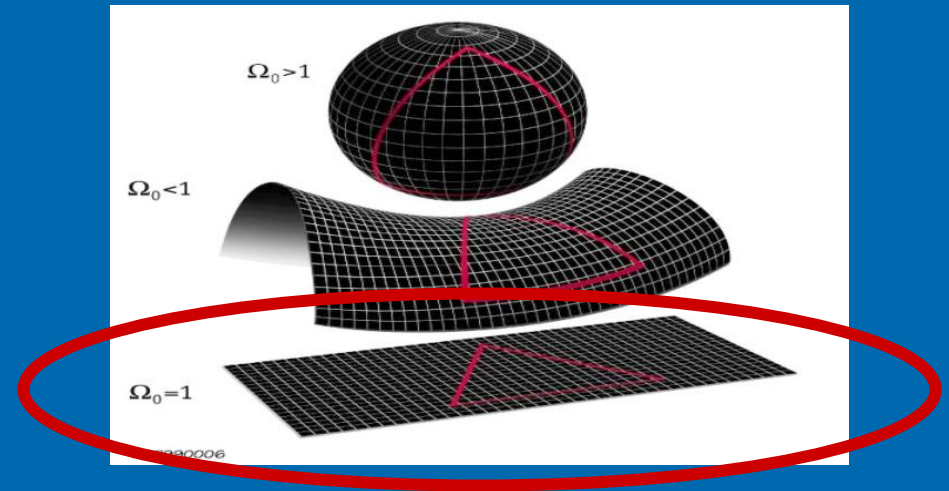
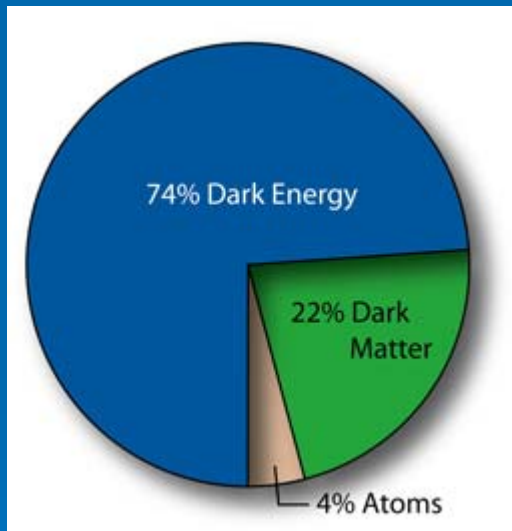


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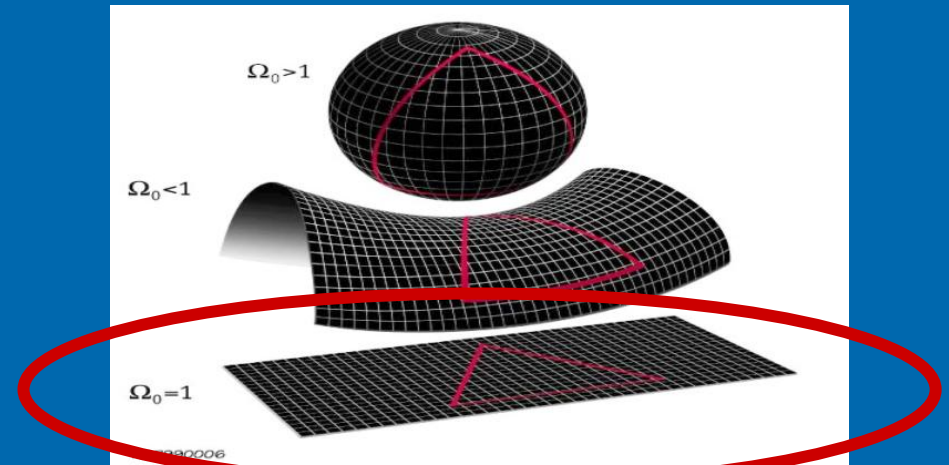
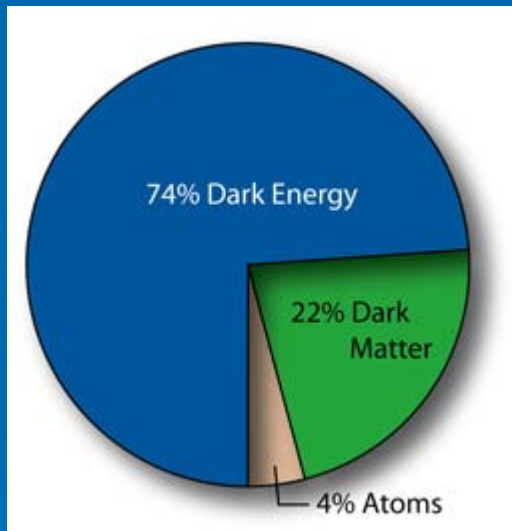
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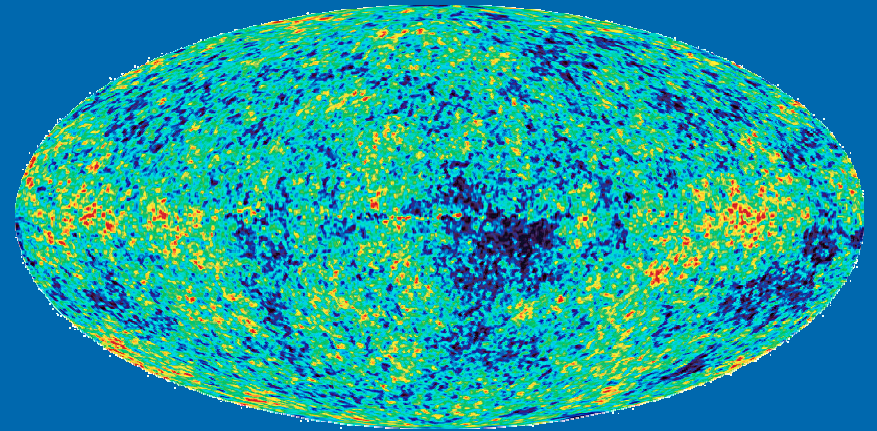


Cosmological concordance model



CMB anisotropy statistics: unknown, probably still hidden by systematics

- Evidence for North south asymmetry (Hansen et al. 2005)
- Evidence for Bianchi models (Jaffe et al. 2006)
- Poor constraints on inflation, the error is about 100 times the predicted deviations from Gaussianity (Komatsu et al. 2003)
- Lensing detection out of reach

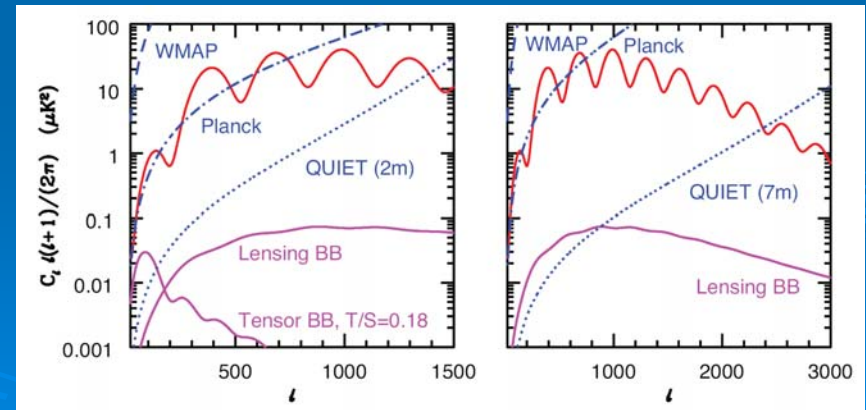
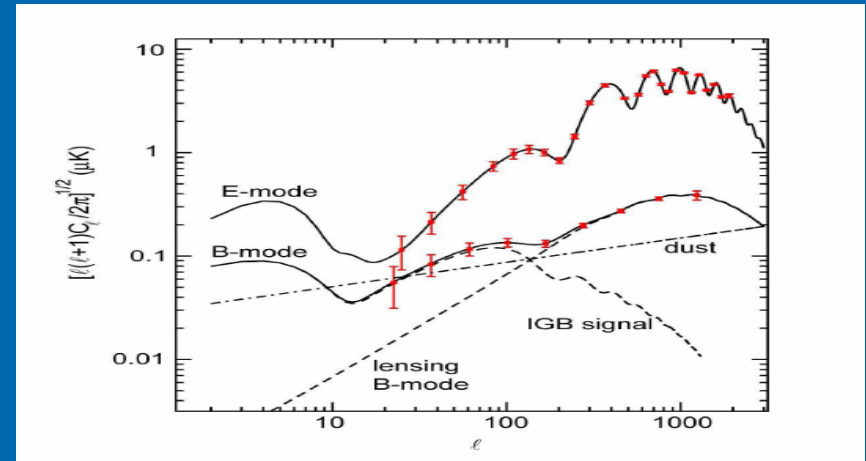


Other cosmological backgrounds?

- Neutrinos: abundance comparable to photons ☺, decoupling at MeV ☺, cold as photons ☹, weak interaction ☹
- Gravity waves: decoupling at Planck energy ☺, abundance unknown ☹, gravitational interaction ☹
- Morale: insist with the CMB, still for many years...that's the best we have for long...

Forthcoming CMB polarization probes

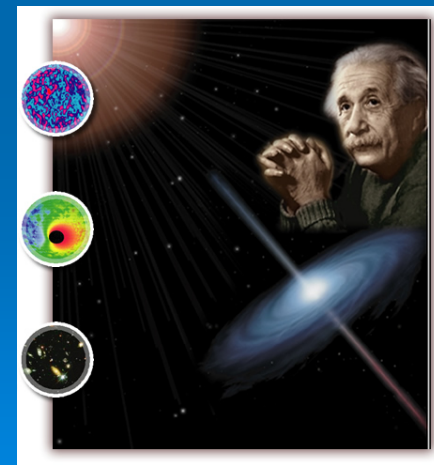
- Planck
- EBEx (NASA funded, data analysis people in the US, France, Italy), balloon, same launch time scale as Planck for the north american flight
- QUIET (US, UK), ground based
- Clover (UK, ...)
- Brain
- ...
- The complete list of ongoing and planned experiments is available at the Lambda archive lambda.gsfc.nasa.gov



Cosmic vision beyond Einstein

- NASA and ESA put out separate calls of opportunity for a polarization oriented future (2020 or so) CMB satellite
- Technologies, design, options for joint or separate missions are being discussed in these months
- Promises: gravity waves, lensing and high redshift dark energy, inflationary non-Gaussianity

Cosmic vision program logo



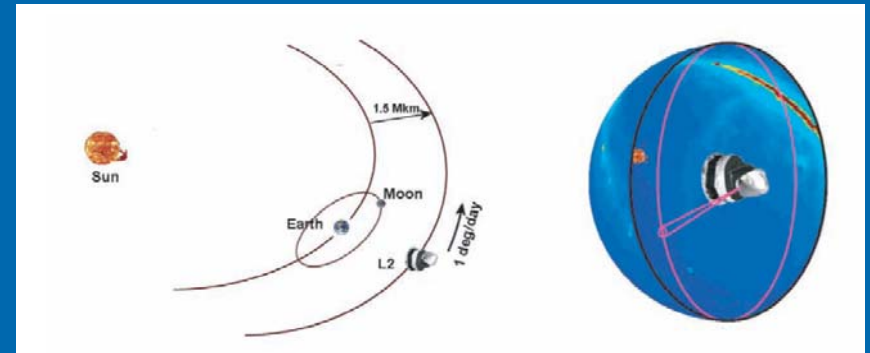
Beyond Einstein logo

Basics of CMB data analysis



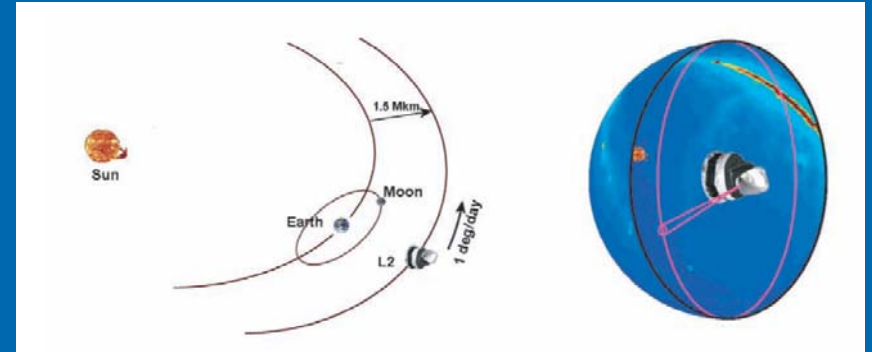
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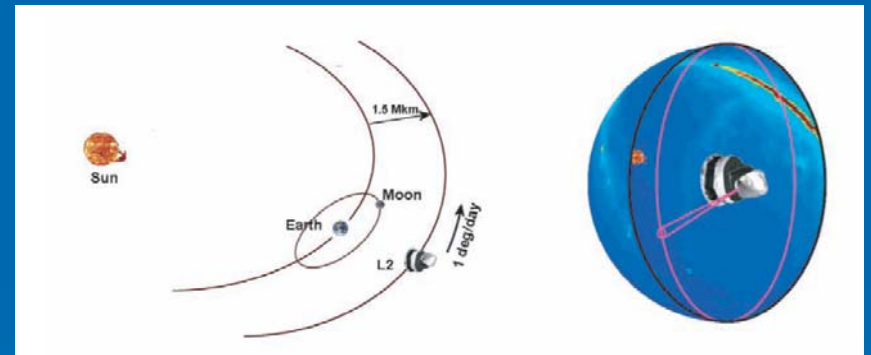
Super-zip main phases

- Time ordered data
- Map-making
- Component separation

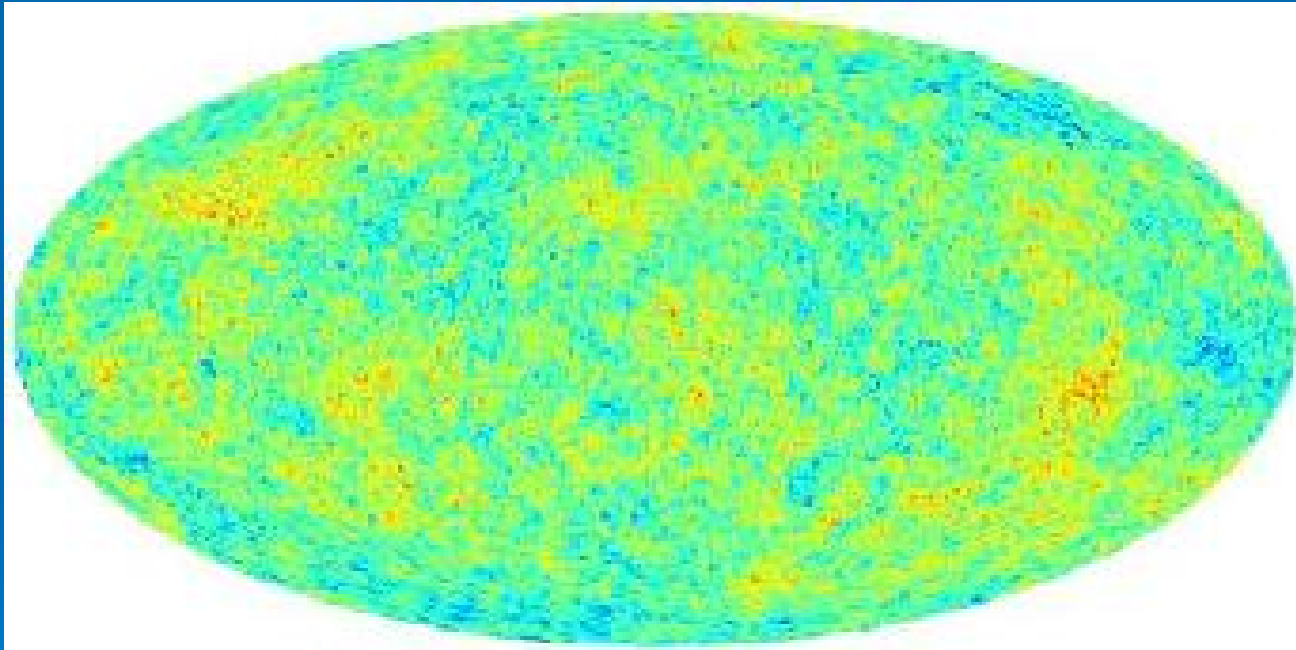


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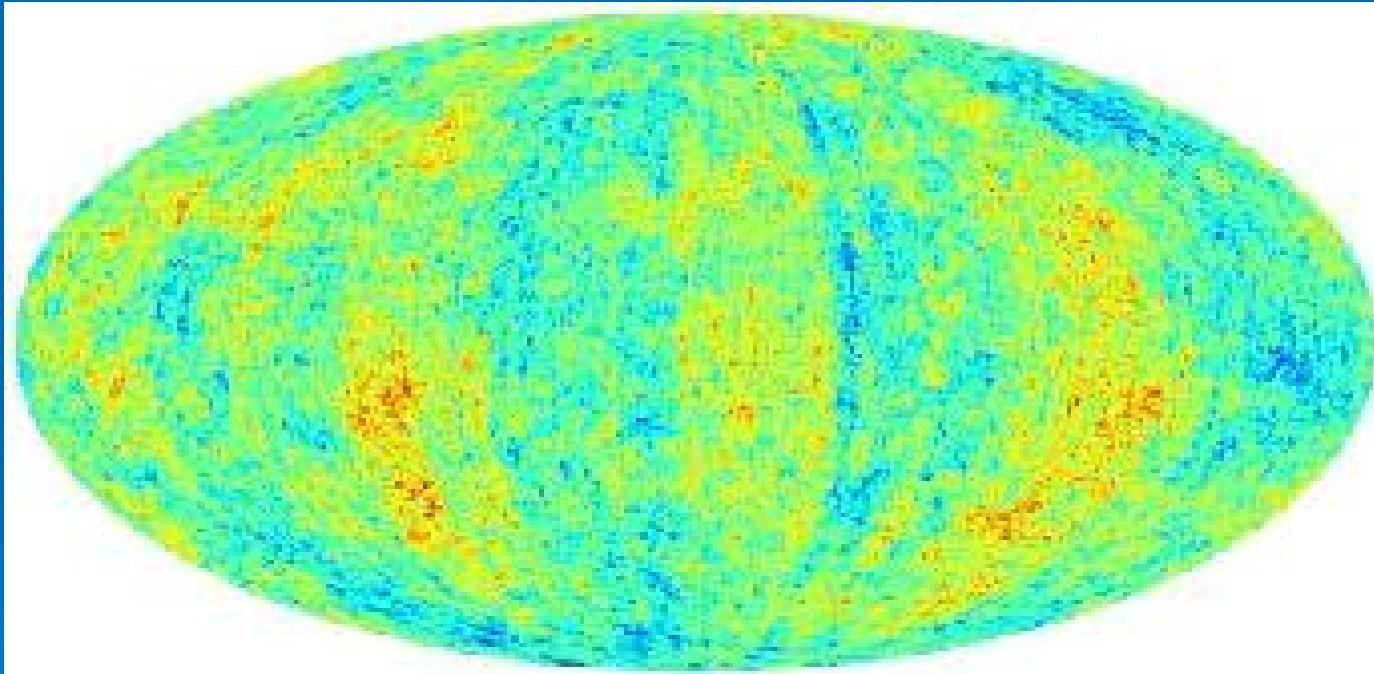
- Beam: at each point, the radiation is collected from a finite solid angle
- Noise: this is the stage where the noise is born
- Calibration: Volts must be converted in CMB units
- ...



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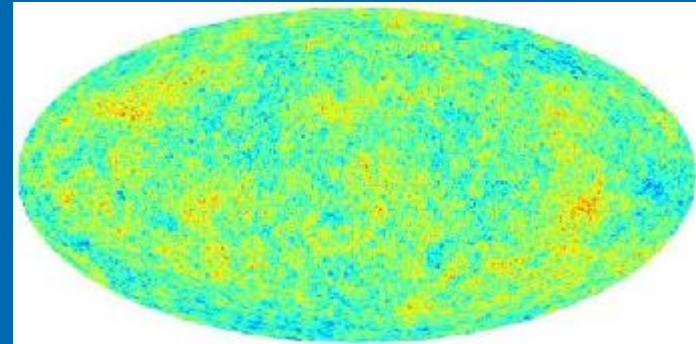
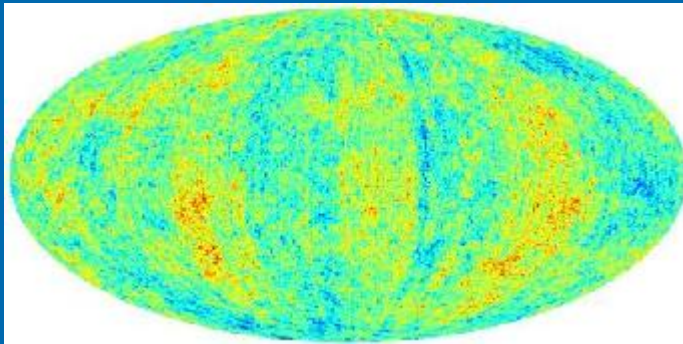
CMB data analysis: maximum likelihood map-making

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$$m = (P^T N^{-1} P)^{-1} P^T N^{-1} d$$

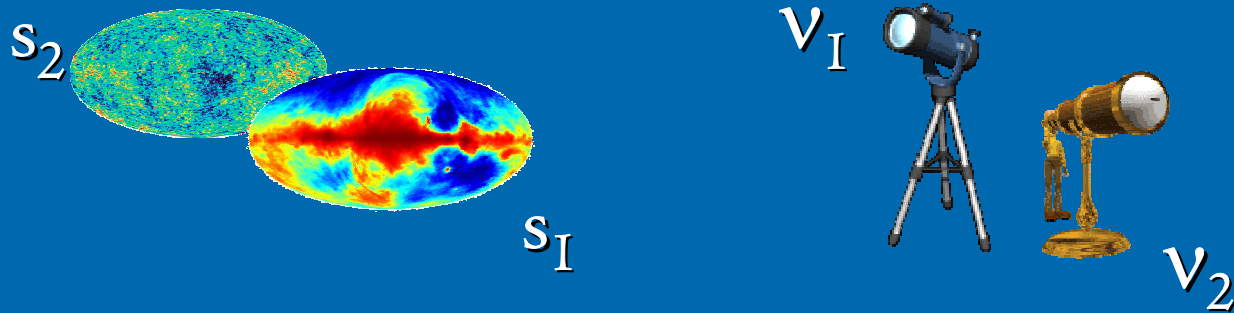
- P : pointing matrix, mixed time and map domain
- N : noise correlation matrix in the time domain
- N^{-1} : $O(\text{sample number}^2)$
- $P^T N^{-1} P$: $O(\text{sample number}^2)$
- $P^T N^{-1} d$: $O(\text{sample number}^2)$

CMB data analysis: destriping map-making



- Exploit redundancy, i.e. points in which different circles intersect, in order to estimate the noise offsets in the intersection points
- Subtract the offsets in order

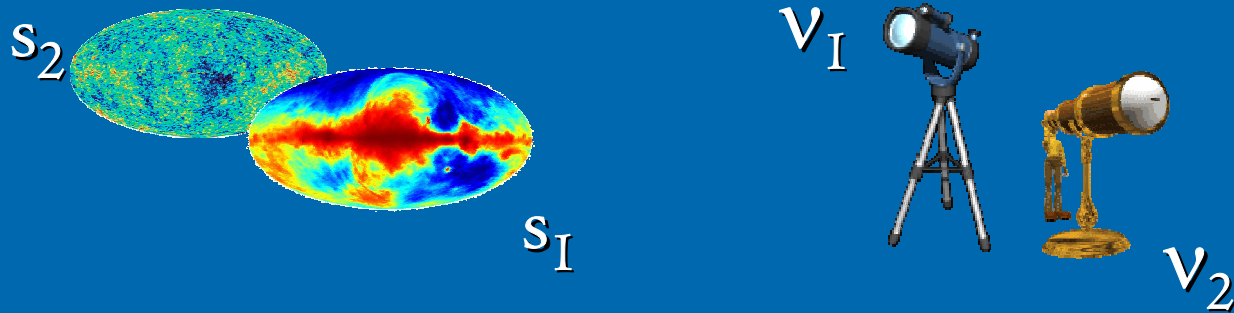
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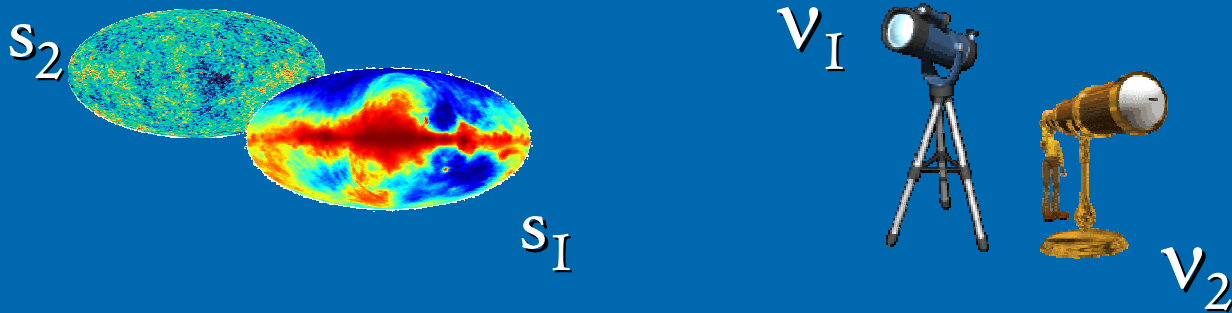
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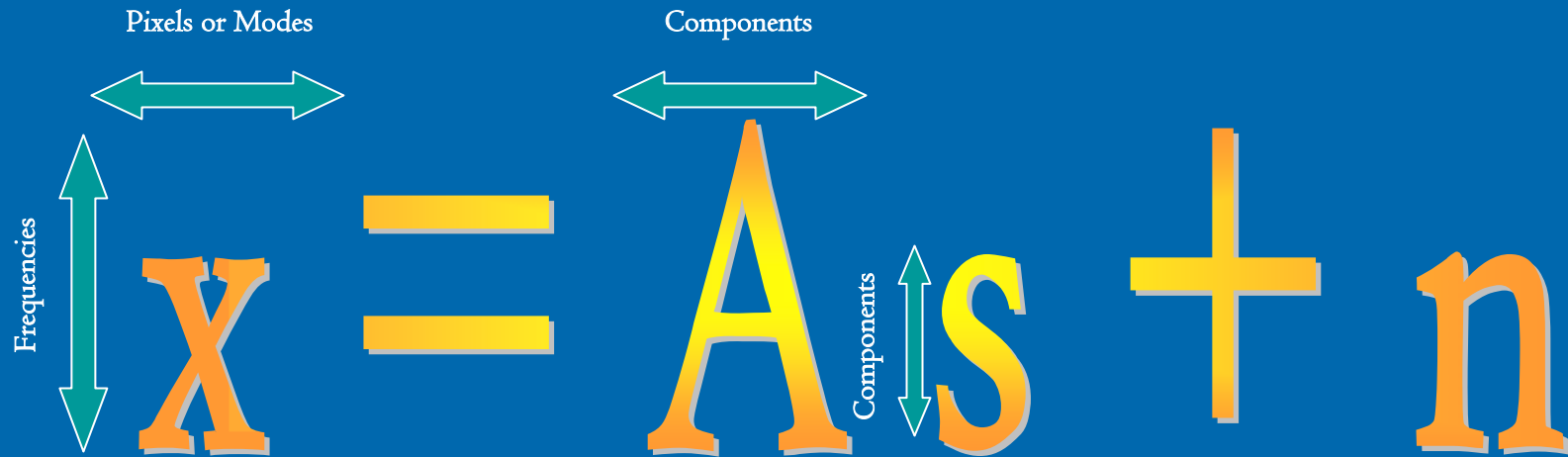
Invert for \underline{s} !

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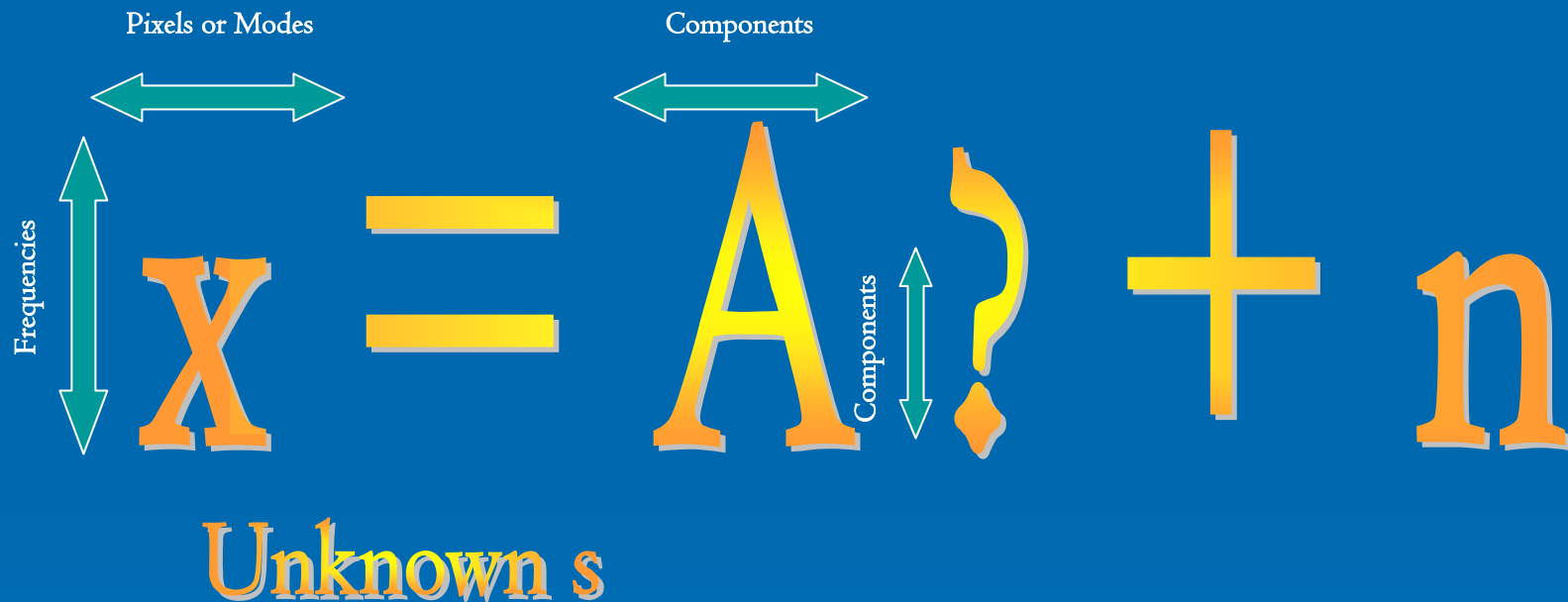
$$x = As + n$$

- Non-blind approach: use prior knowledge on A and s in order to stabilize the inversion, likely to be suitable for total intensity
- Blind approach: do not assume any prior either on A or s , likely to be used in polarization
- Parametrization: introduce extra “cosmological parameters” parametrizing the foreground unknowns, and fit the data with those in, marginalizing afterwards, promising results in total intensity, to be tested in polarization
- Relevant literature from Brandt et al. 1994, to Maino et al. 2006, successful applications to COBE, BEAST, WMAP

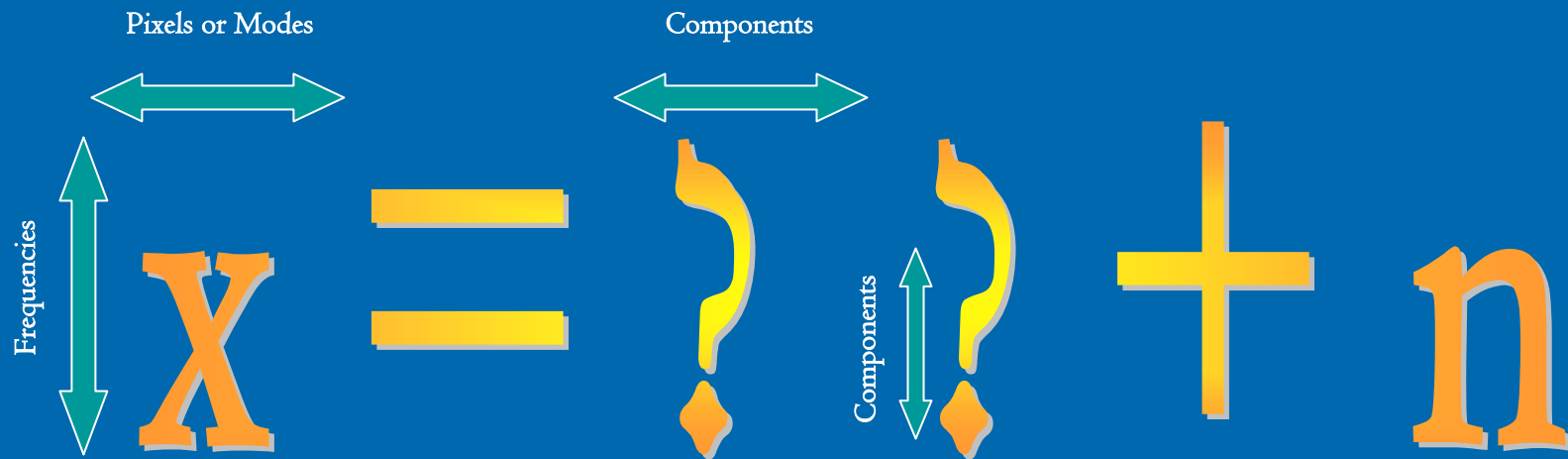
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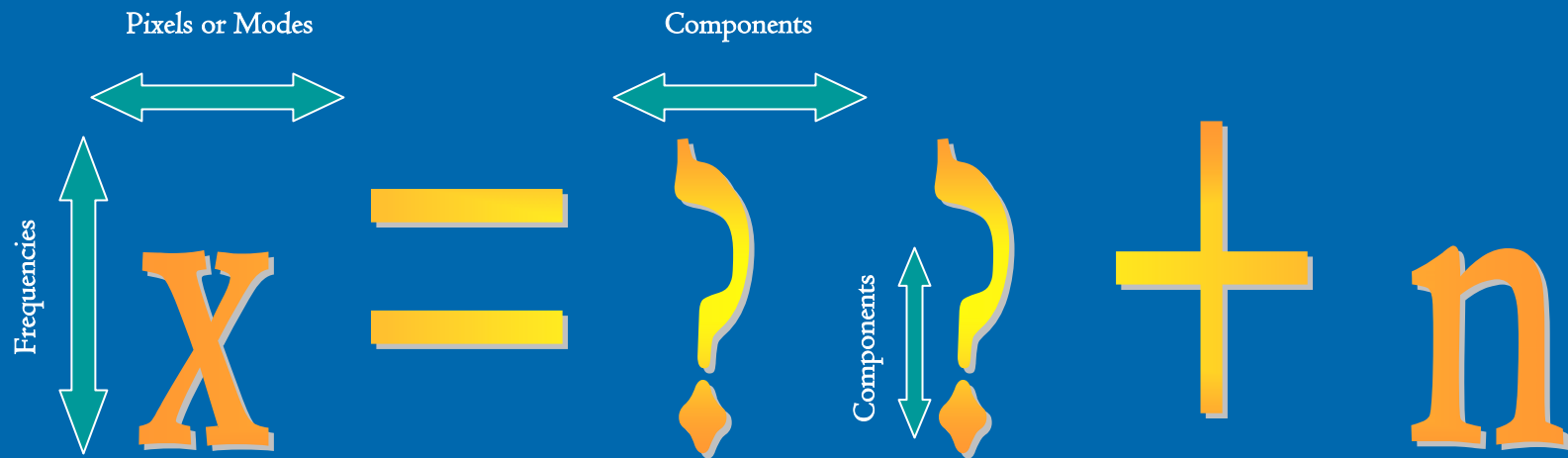
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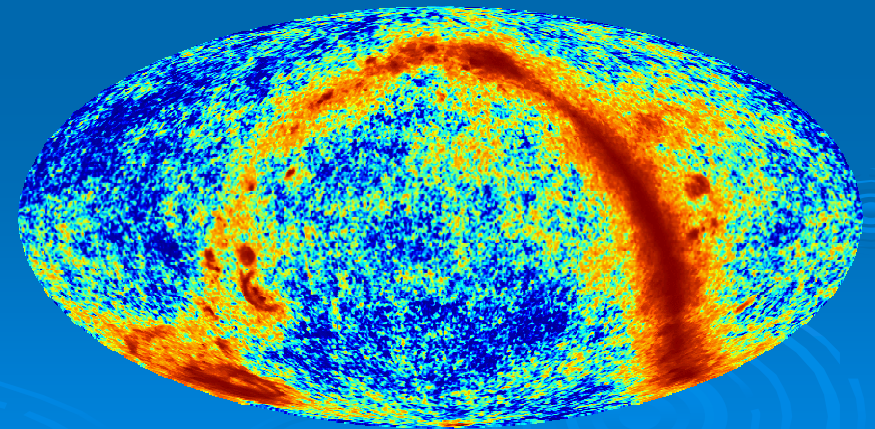
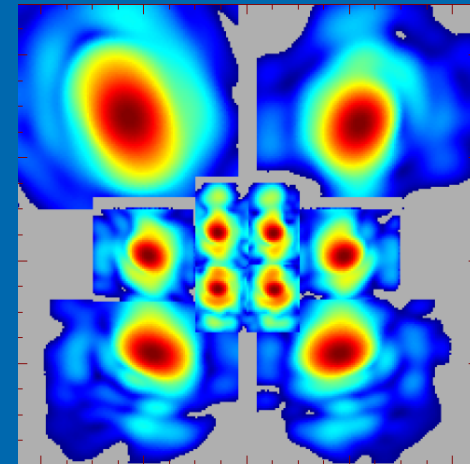
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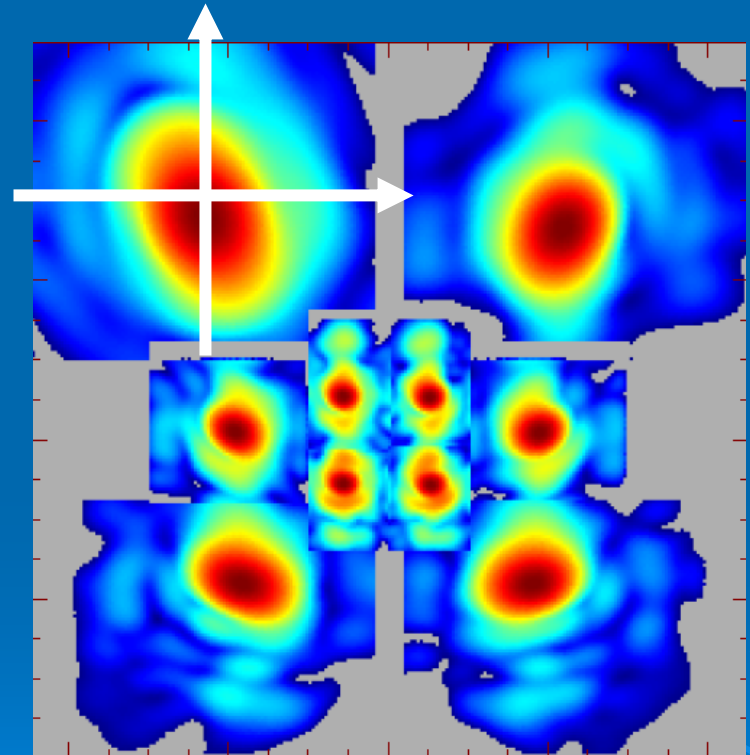
- The sensitivity can be increases with the detector number 😊
- The systematics from the instrument must be controlled at the level of the signal 😞
- The emission from foregrounds may cover the B signal over the all sky, at all frequency 😞

Jarosik et al. 2006



Challenges for future CMB: systematics from beam shape

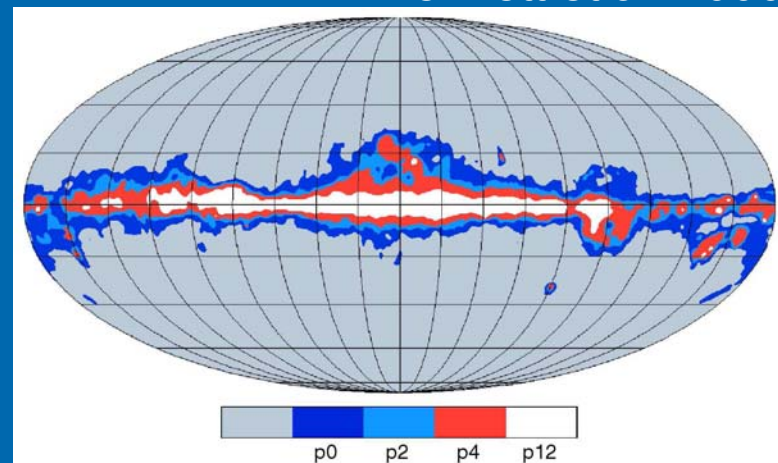
- Asymmetric beams cause unwanted polarization from total intensity, leakage of E modes into B, ...
- No way to circularize the beams, rather the beam shape has to be reconstructed in flight to subtract the bias from the signal



Challenges for future CMB: foreground emission

Bennett et al. 2006

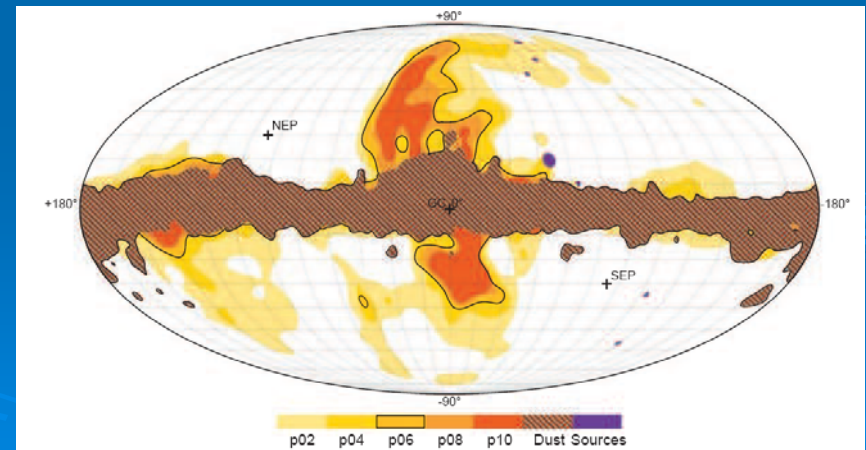
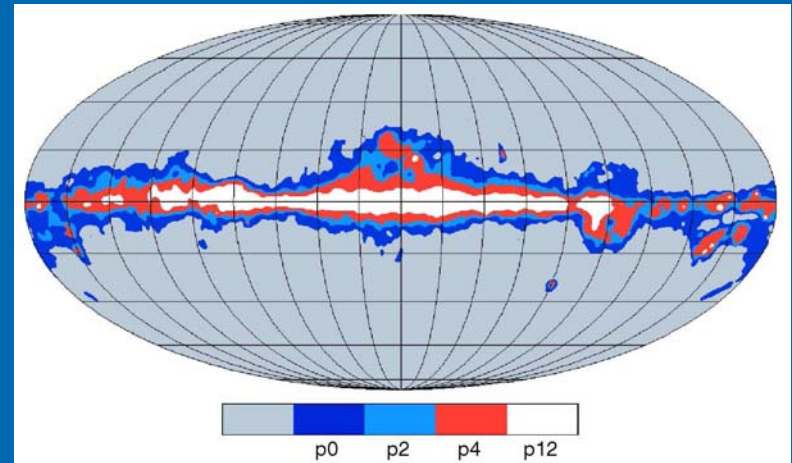
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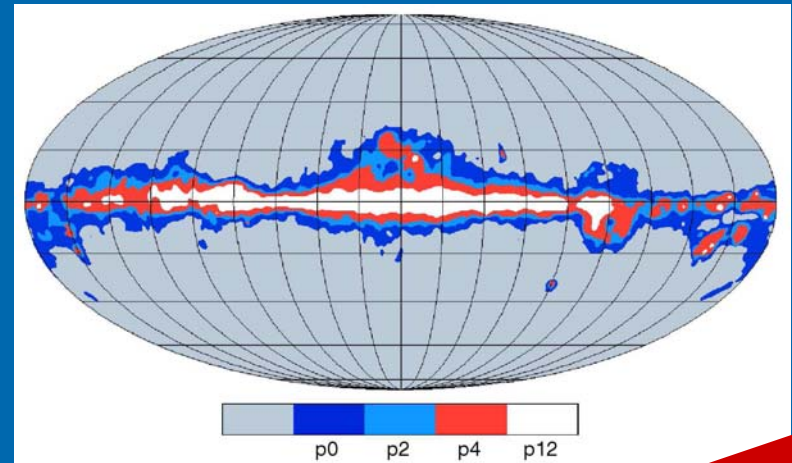


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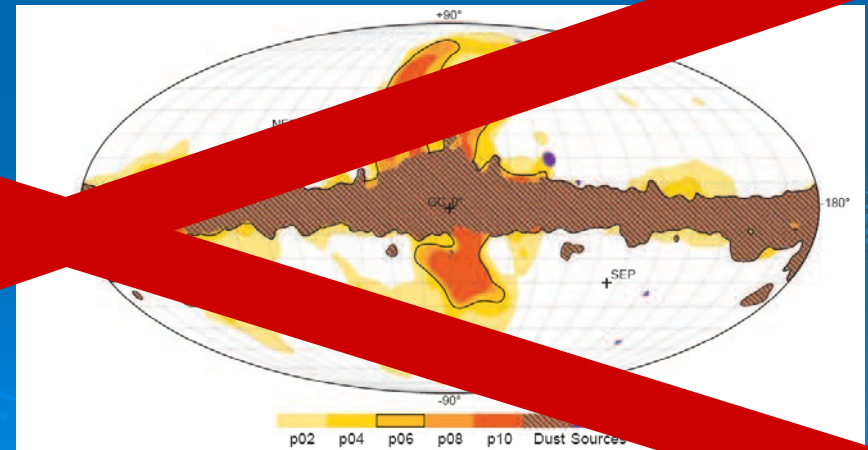
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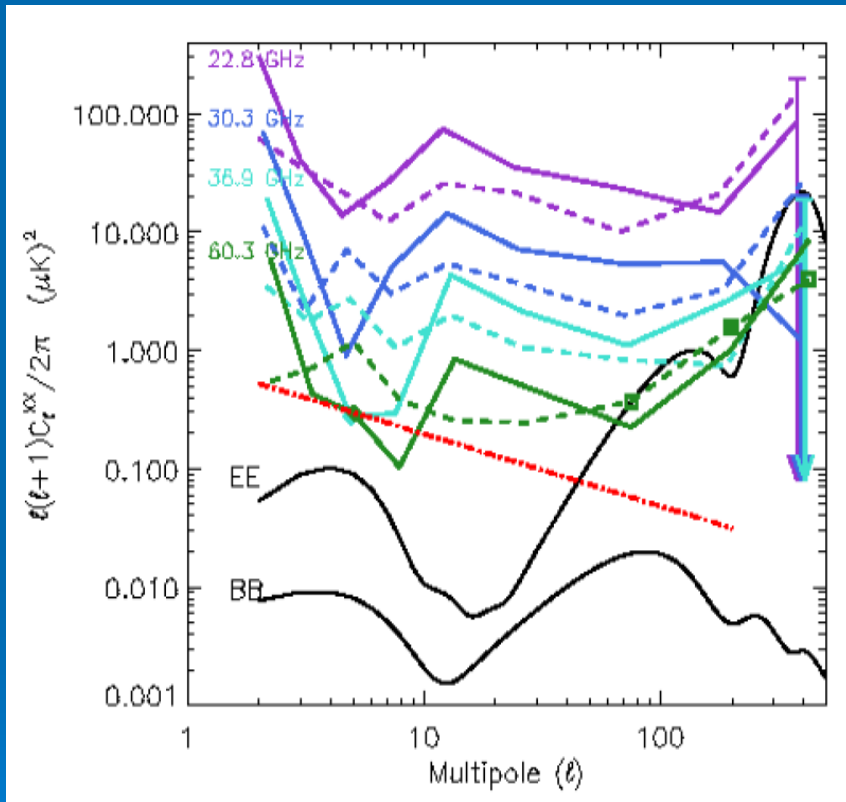


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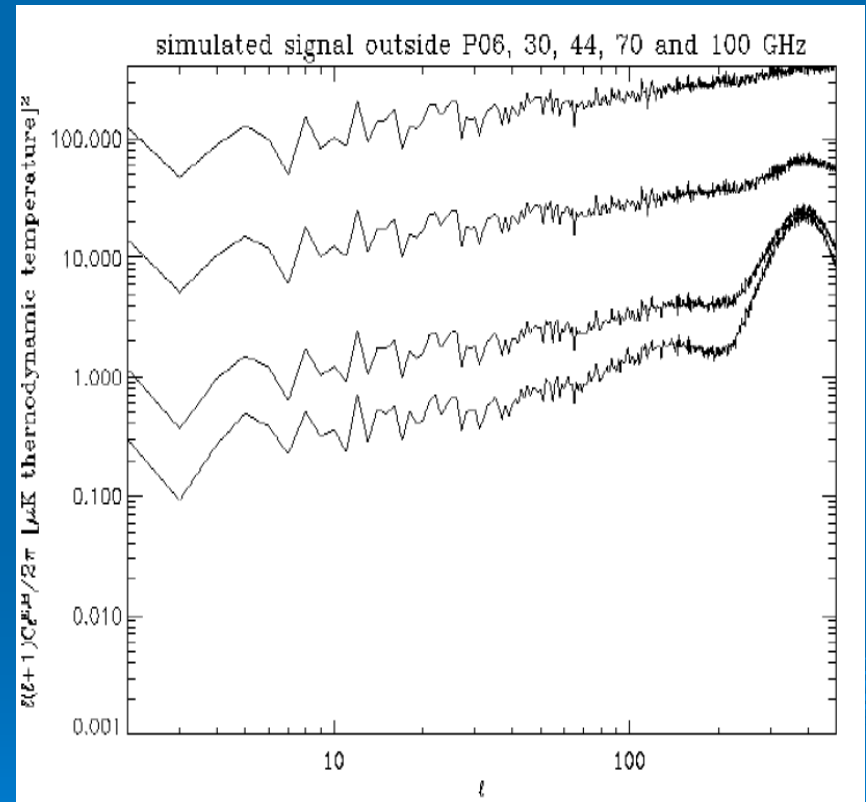


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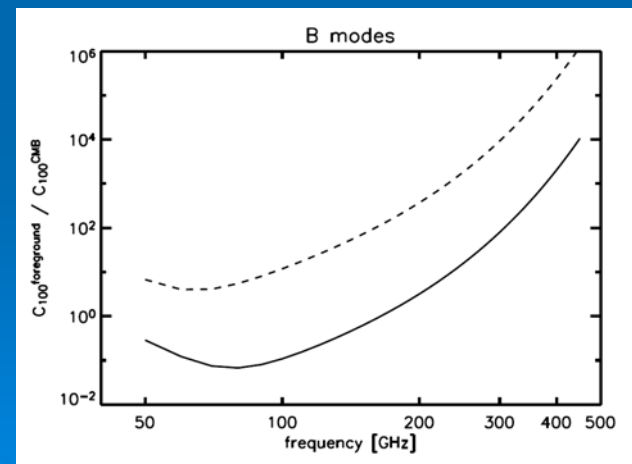
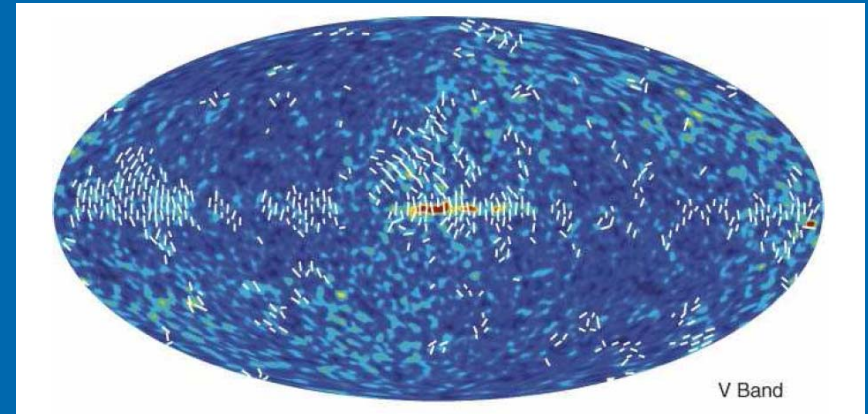


Planck reference sky

Are there foreground clean regions at all in polarization?

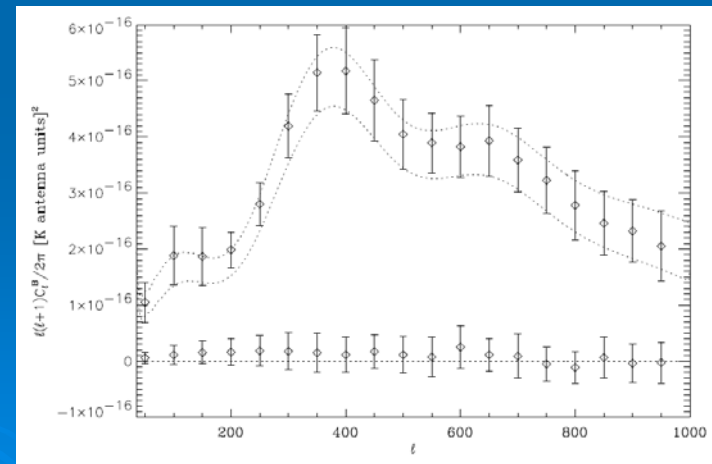
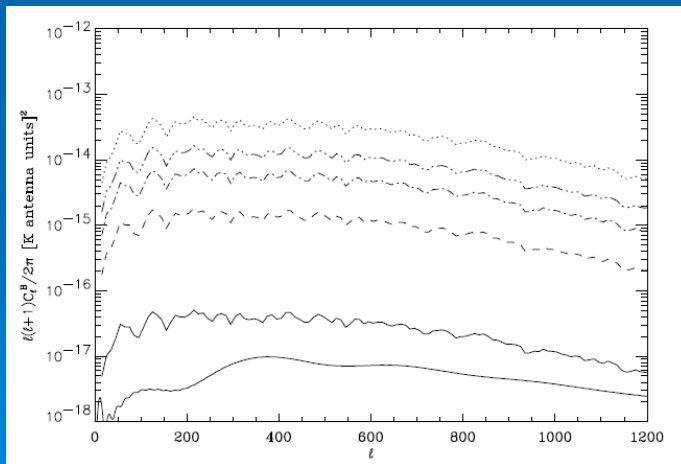
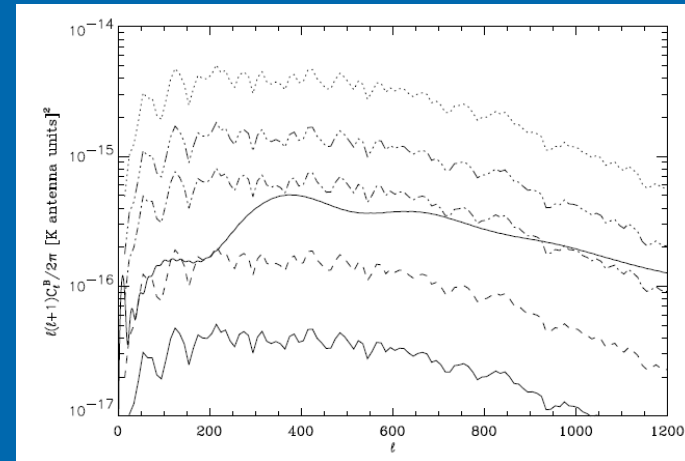
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- WMAP has no detection in large sky areas in polarization
- Very naive estimates may be attempted in those areas, indicating that the foreground level might be comparable to the cosmological B mode at all frequencies, in all sky regions



Shall we ever get rid of foregrounds?

- Component separation studies how to separate CMB and foregrounds in astrophysical multi-frequency observations
- The independent component analysis exploits the statistical differences between the almost Gaussian CMB and the strongly non-Gaussian foregrounds
- Results are encouraging, although obtained so far without instrumental systematics



Stivoli et al. 2006

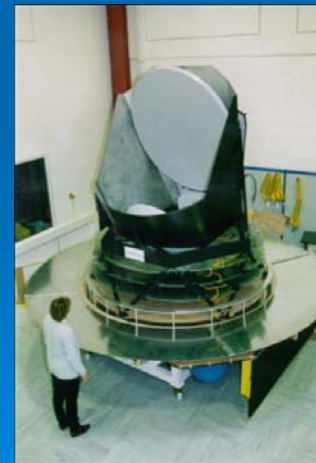
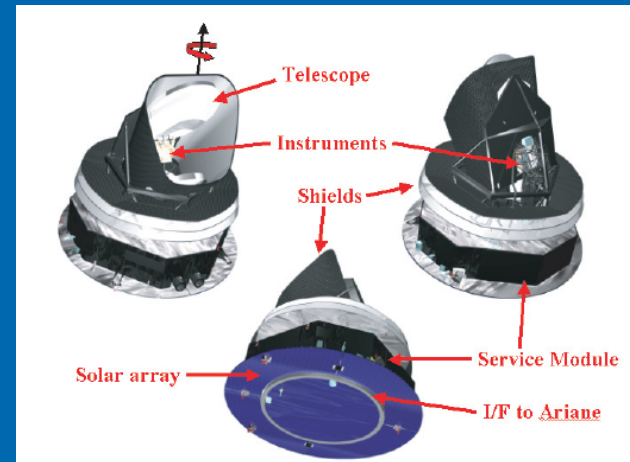
The science goals of the Planck satellite

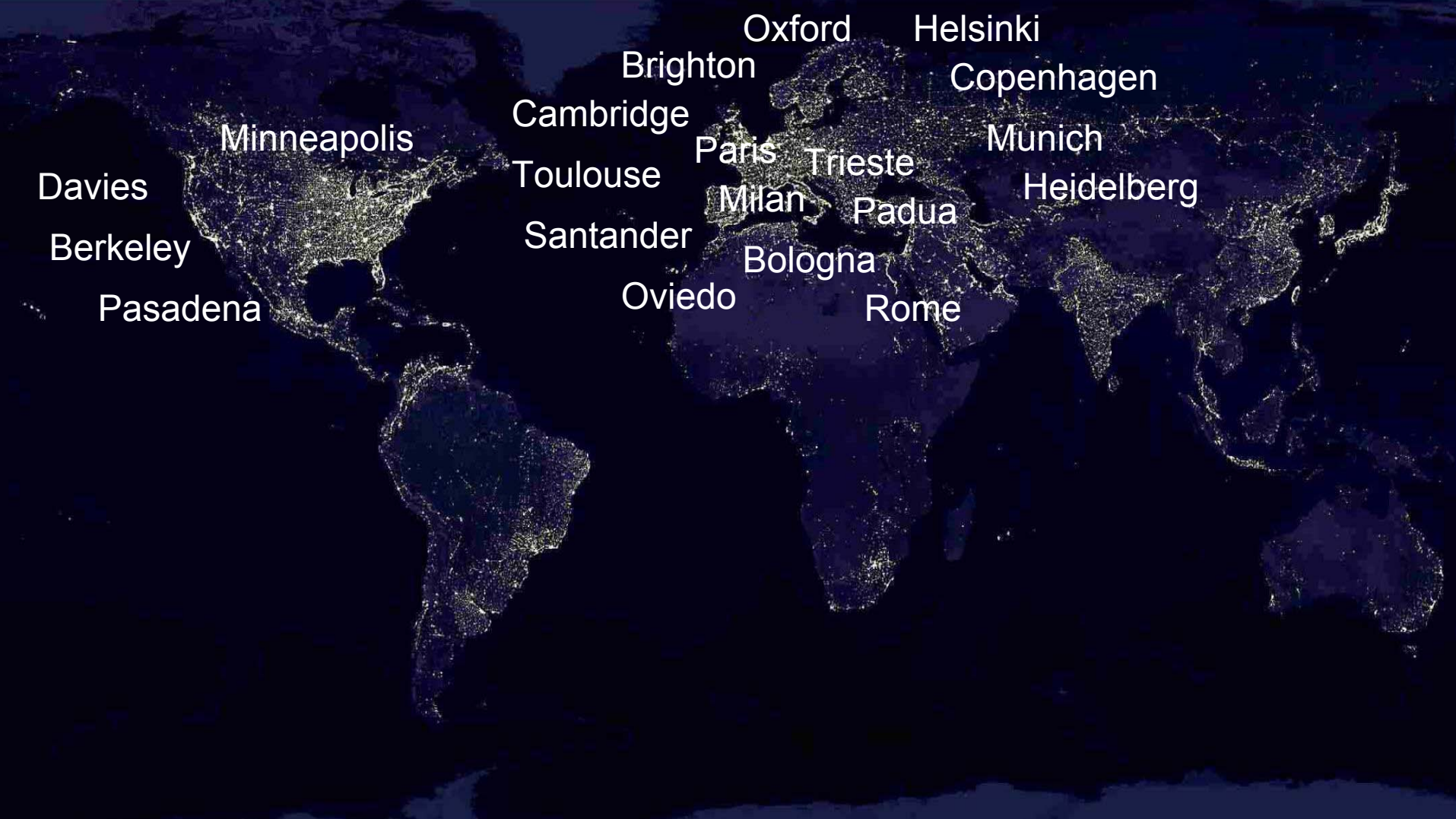
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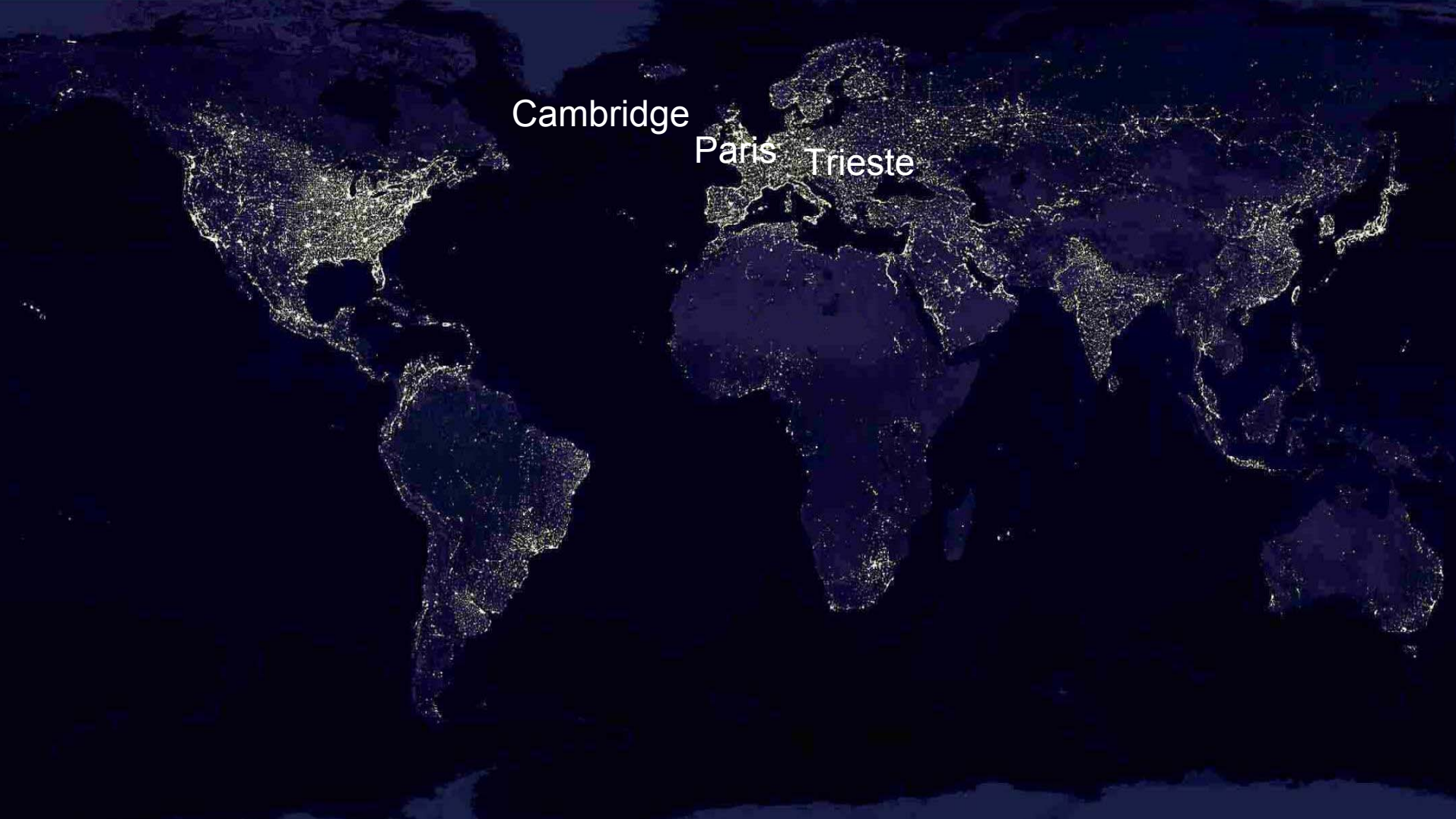
Planck

- Hardware: third generation CMB probe, ESA medium size mission, NASA (JPL, Pasadena) contribution
- Software from 400 collaboration members in EU and US
- Two data processing centers (DPCs): Paris + Cambridge (IaP + IoA), Trieste (OAT + SISSA)





Planck contributors



Cambridge

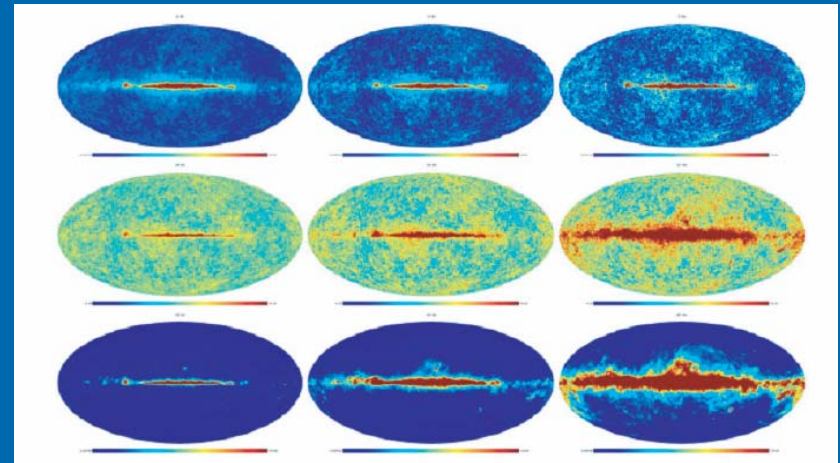
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Planck data processing sites

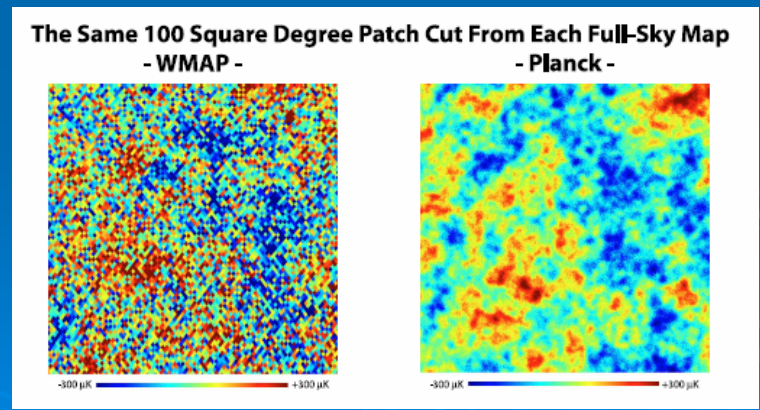
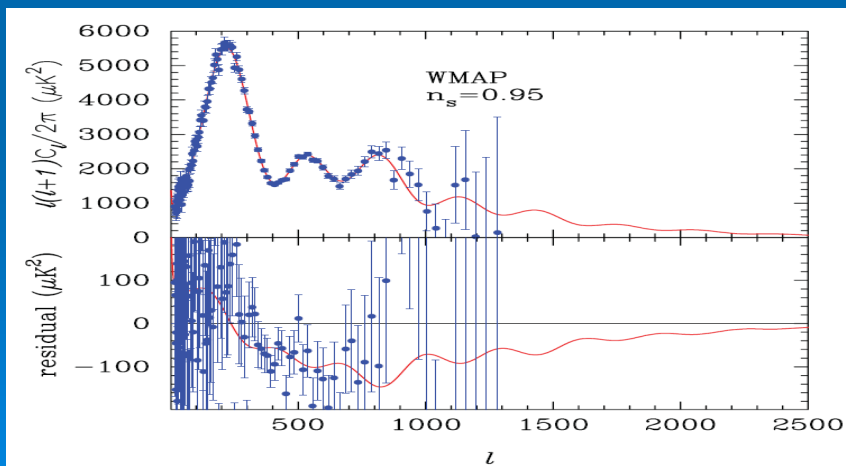
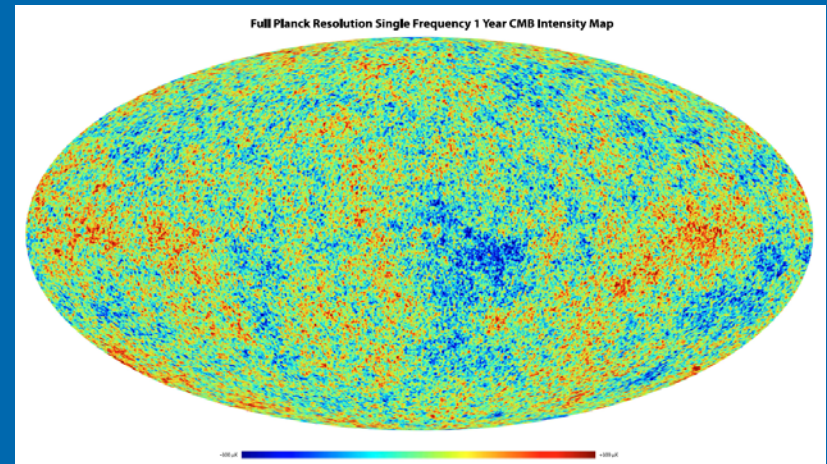
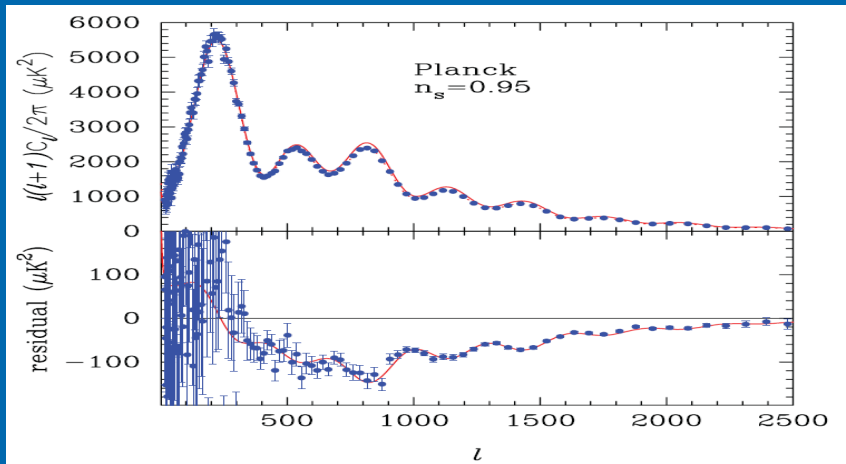
Planck data deliverables

- All sky maps in total intensity and polarization, at 9 frequencies between 30 and 857 GHz
- Angular resolution from 33' to 7' between 30 and 143 GHz, 5' at higher frequencies
- S/N ≈ 10 for CMB in total intensity, per resolution element
- Catalogues with tens of thousands of extra-Galactic sources

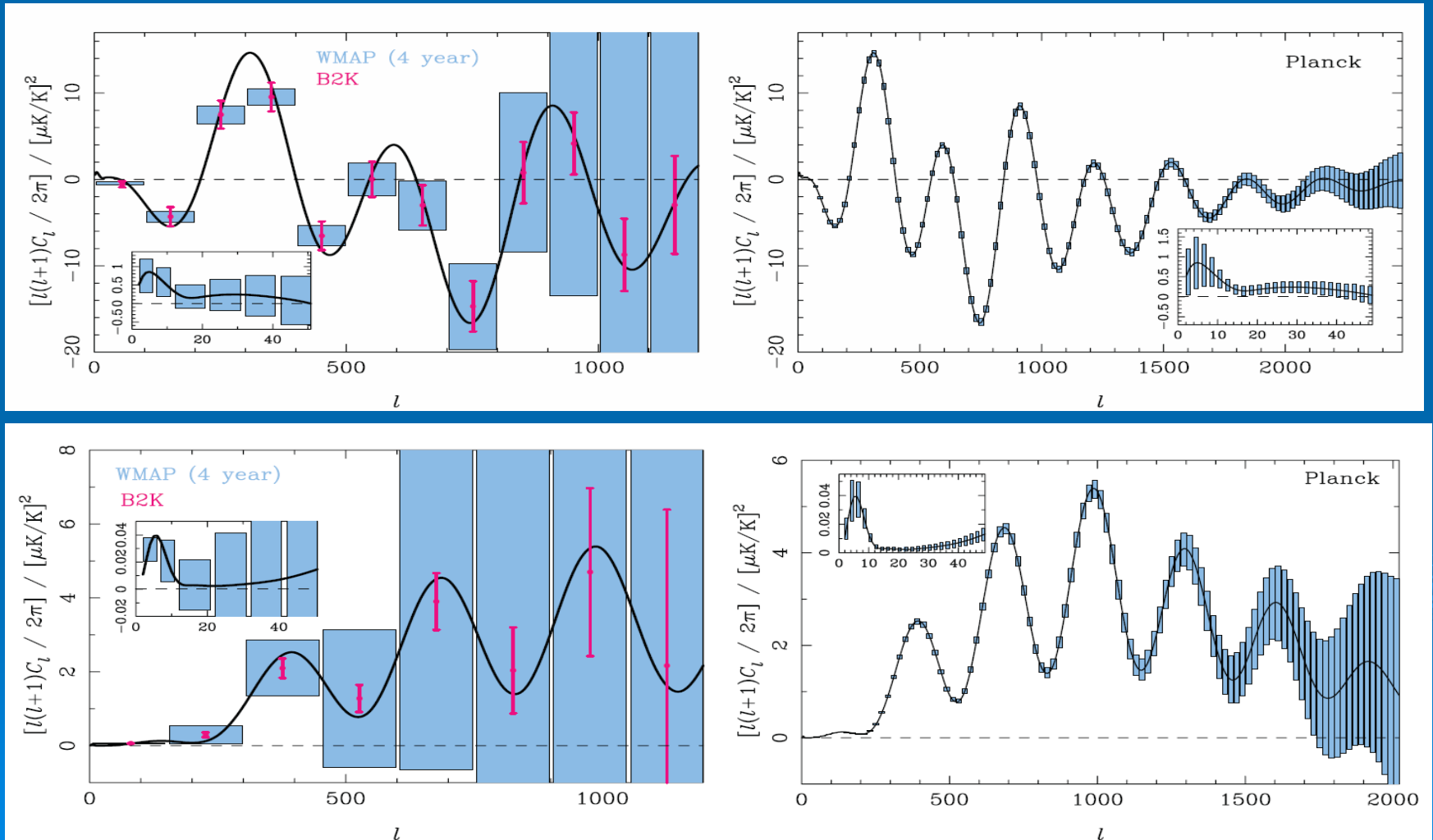


PLANCK GALAXY SURVEYS					
	FREQUENCY [GHz]				
	143	217	353	550	850
Confusion limit [mJy, 3σ]	6.3	14.1	44.7	112	251
Planck All Sky Survey sensitivity [mJy, 3σ]	26	37	75	180	300
Planck Deep Survey sensitivity [mJy, 3σ]	10	18.4	49	170	280
Number of galaxies [all sky]	570	860	1700	4400	35000

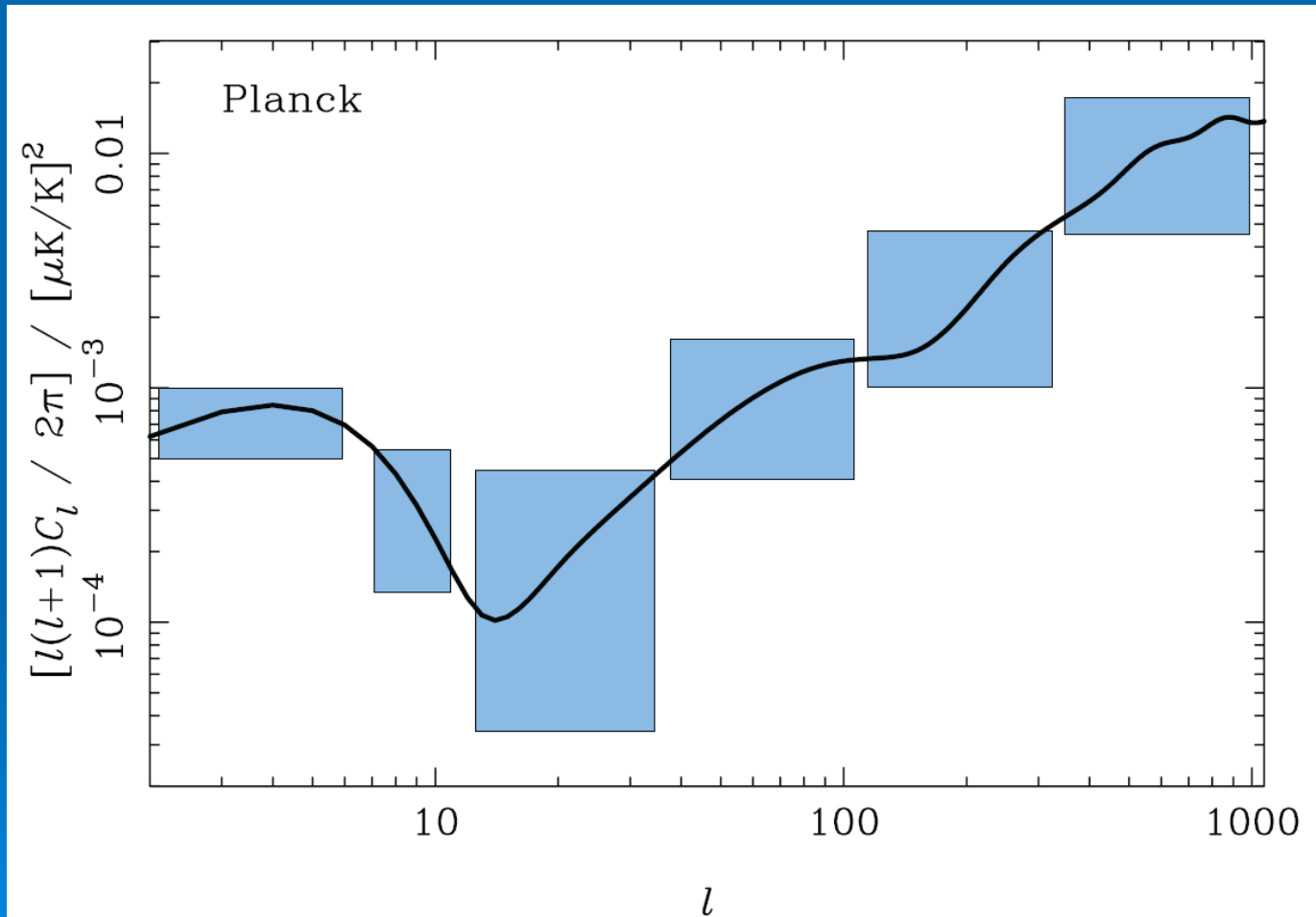
Planck scientific deliverables: CMB total intensity and the era of imaging



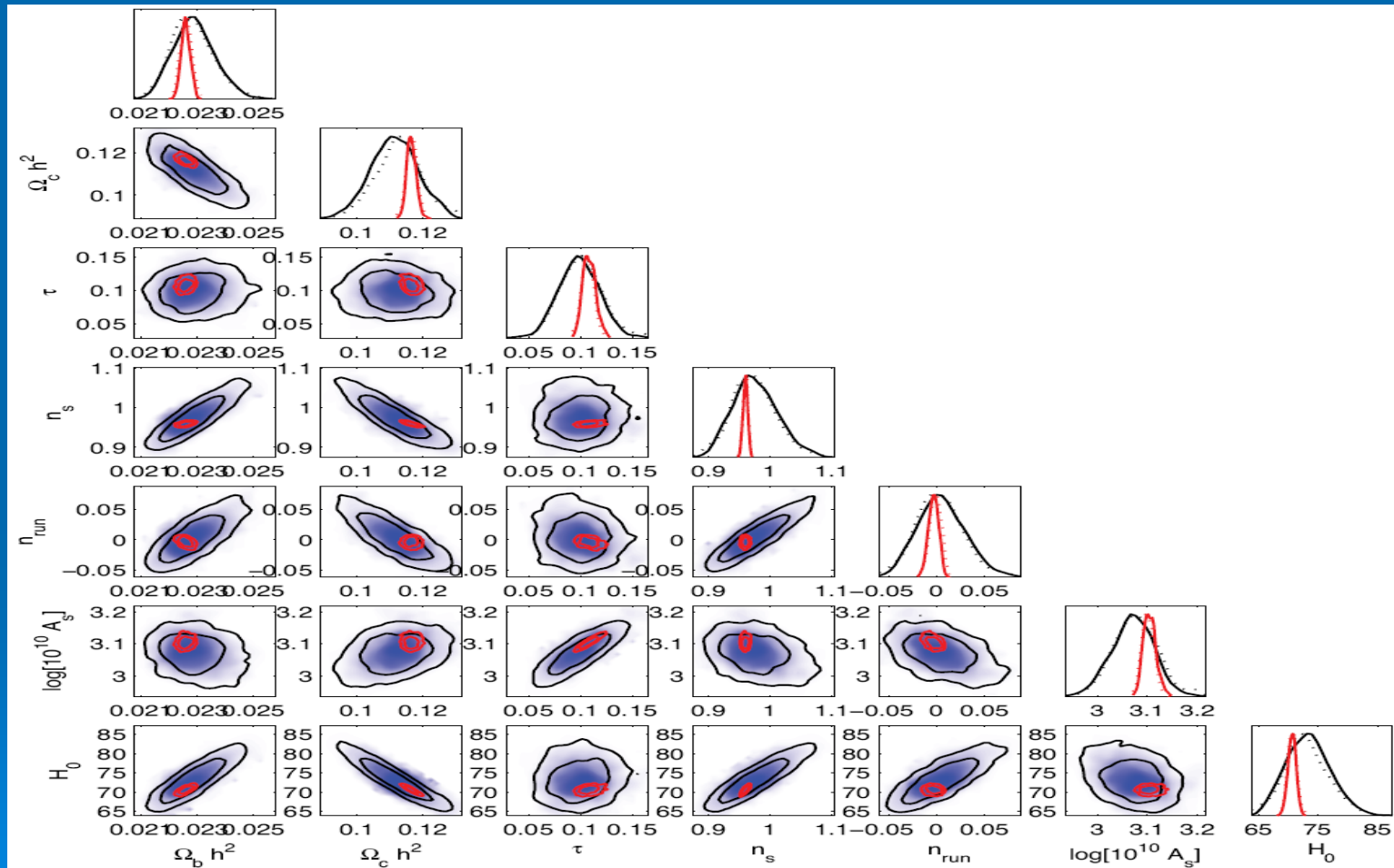
Planck scientific deliverables: CMB polarization



Planck and polarization CMB B modes



Planck scientific deliverables: cosmological parameters



Non-CMB Planck scientific deliverables

- Thousands of galaxy clusters
- Tens of thousands of radio and infrared extra-Galactic sources
- Templates for the diffuse gas in the Galaxy, from 30 to 857 GHz
- ...



Conclusions

- The CMB will be the best signal from the early universe for long
- We have some knowledge of the two point correlation function, but most of the signal is presently unknown
- If detected, the hidden signatures might reveal mysteries for physics, like gravitational waves, or the mechanism of cosmic acceleration
- We don't know if we will ever see those things, systematics and foregrounds might prevent that
- But we've no other way to get close to the Big Bang, so let's go for it and see how far we can go
- First go/no go criteria from Planck and other probes in just a few years, possible scenarios...



- Polarized foreground too intense, no sufficient cleaning, systematics out of control
- Increase by one digit the cosmological parameters measurement, mostly from improvements in total intensity measurements
- Time scale: few years



Theorist



- Modest or controllable foreground emission, systematics under control
- Cosmological gravity waves discovered from CMB B modes! Expected precision down to one thousandth of the scalar amplitude
- Percent measurement of the dark energy abundance at the onset of acceleration, from CMB lensing
- Time scale: from a few to 20 years



Theorist

Cosmological tensors

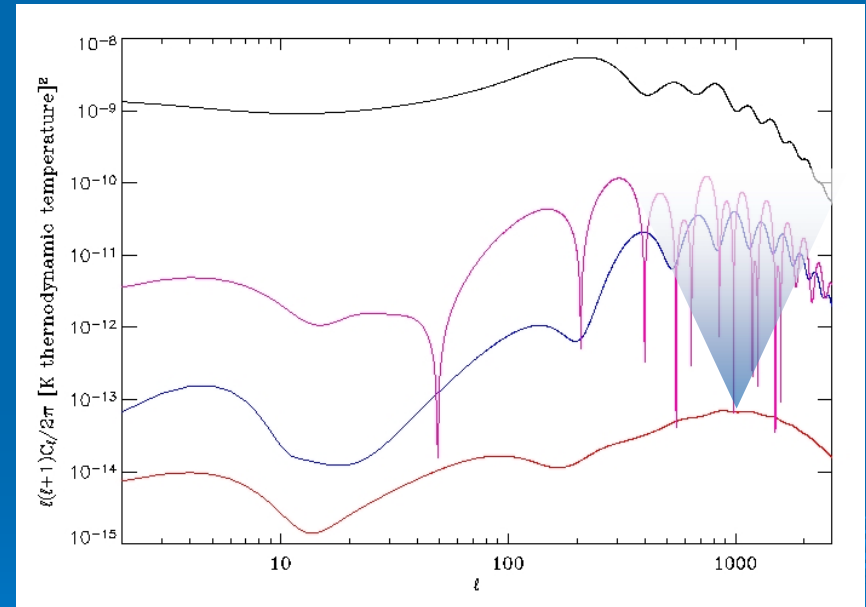
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Add-on I: CMB lensing and dark energy

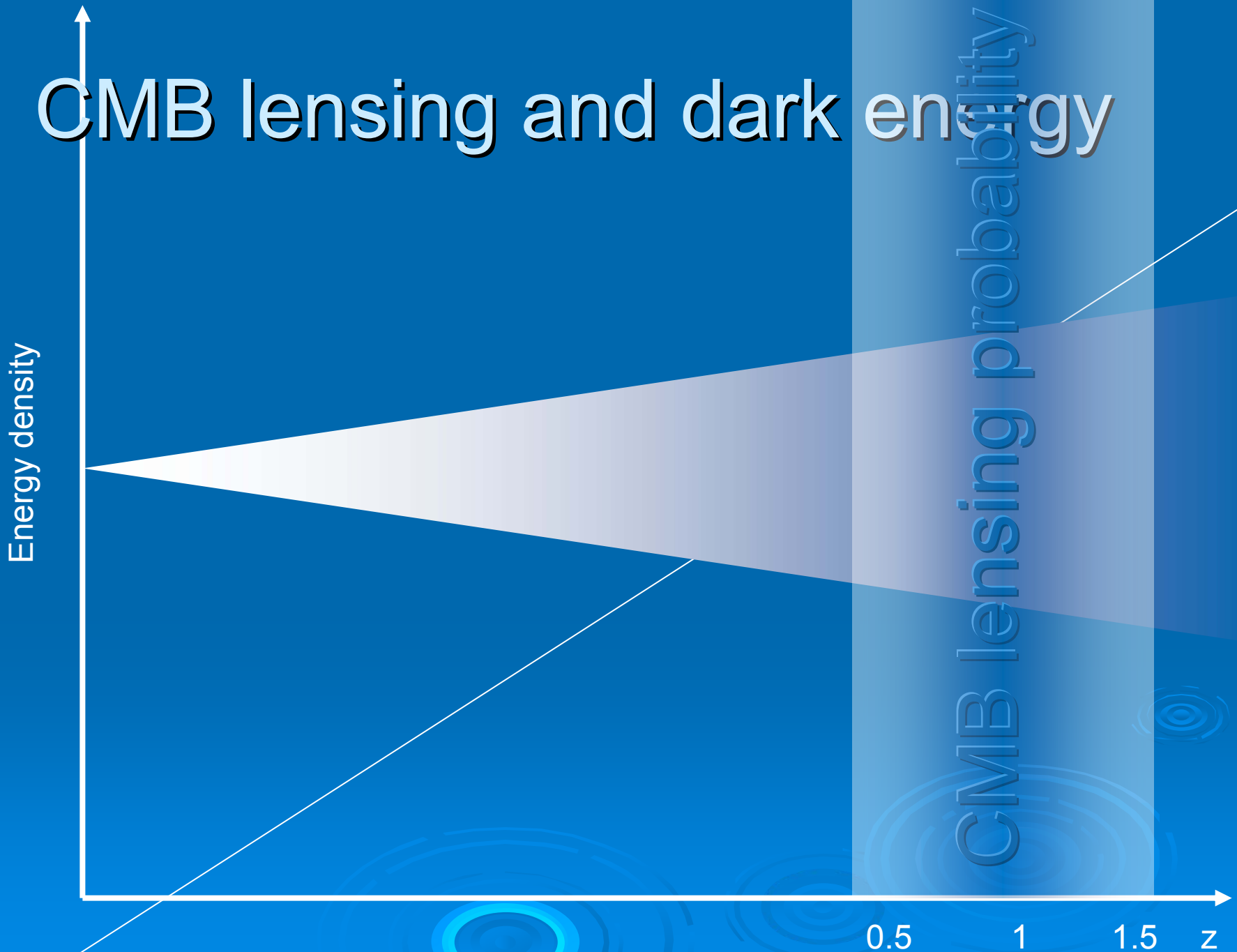


CMB lensing: a science per se

- Lensing is a second order cosmological effect
- Lensing correlates scales
- The lensing pattern is non-Gaussian
- Statistics characterization in progress, preliminary investigations indicate an increase by a factor 3 of the uncertainty from cosmic variance



CMB lensing and dark energy

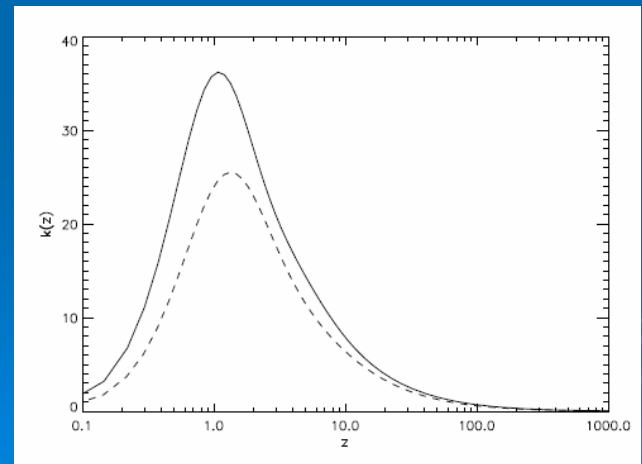
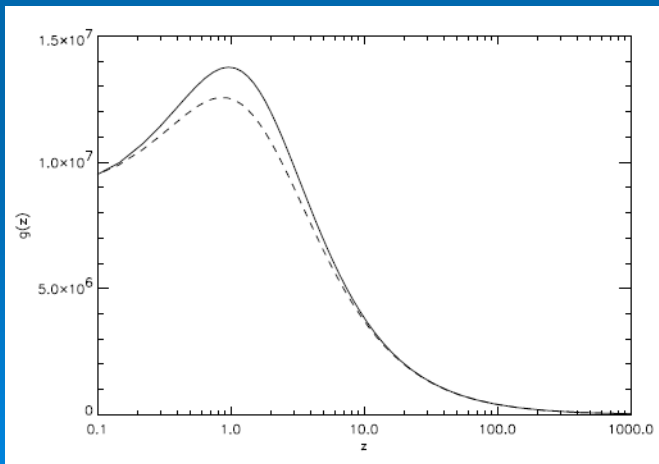
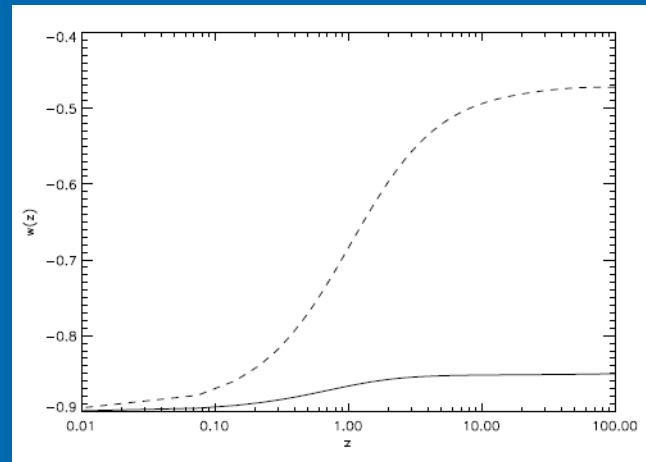


So let's play...

- Upgrade a Boltzmann code for lensing computation in dark energy cosmologies (Acquaviva et al. 2004 experienced doing that with cmbfast, lensing.f has to be substantially changed...)
- Get lensed CMB angular power spectra for different dark energy dynamics
- Look at the amplitude of lensing B modes

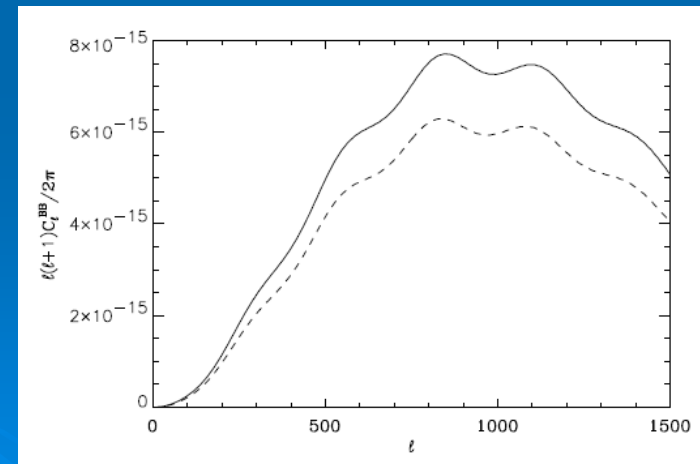
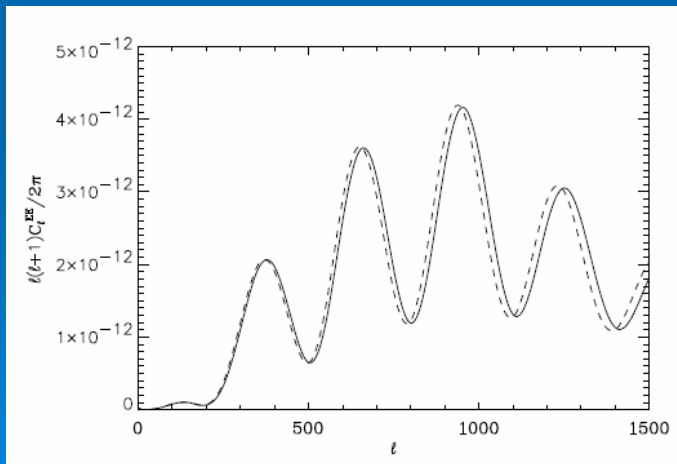
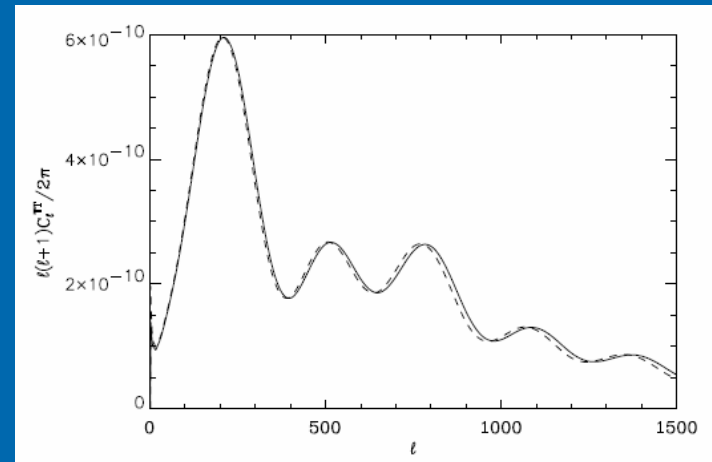
Play...

- SUGRA vs. Ratra-Peebles quintessence
- Check structure formation, linear perturbation growth rate, ...
- Perturbations and distances affected by geometry coherently...
- Effects sum up in the lensing kernel

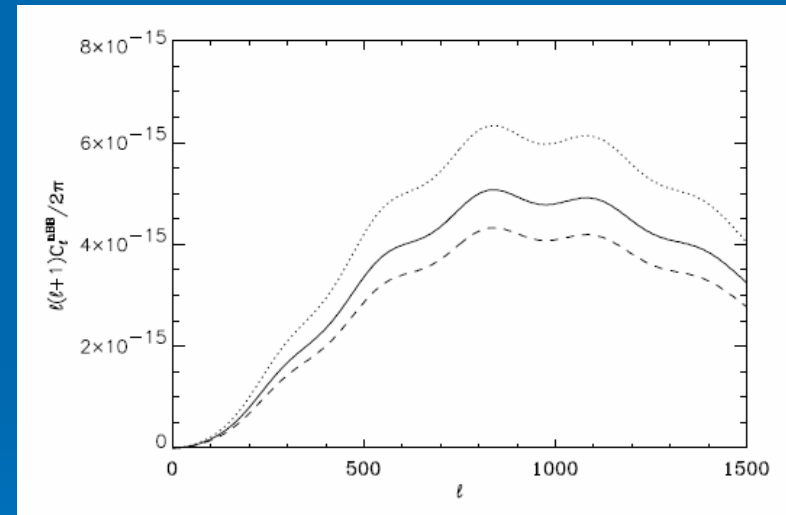
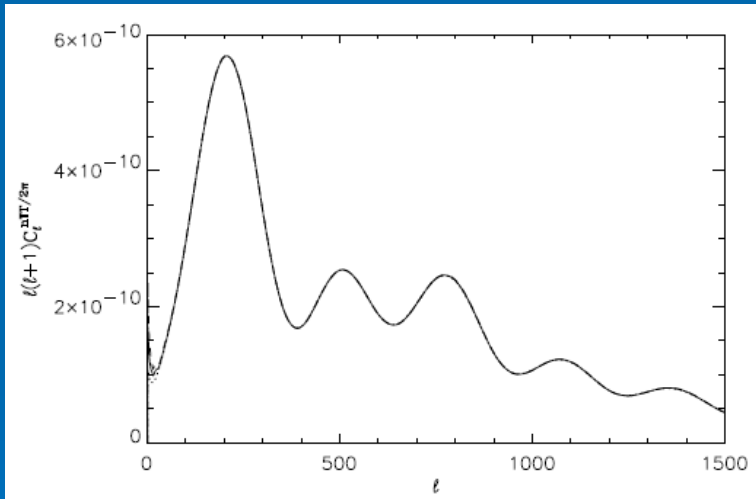


Play...

- TT and EE spectra: slight projection shift
- BB amplitude: reflecting cosmic density at structure formation/onset of acceleration



Breaking projection degeneracy



Get serious...

- A Fisher matrix analysis indicates that a 1%-10% measurement on both w_0 and w_a is achievable by having lensing B modes measured on a large sky area, few arcminute resolution, micro-K noise
- New relevance for searching B modes in CMB polarization?
- Independent check of the efficiency of the effect ongoing...
- Confirmed!

Add-on II: ICA performance

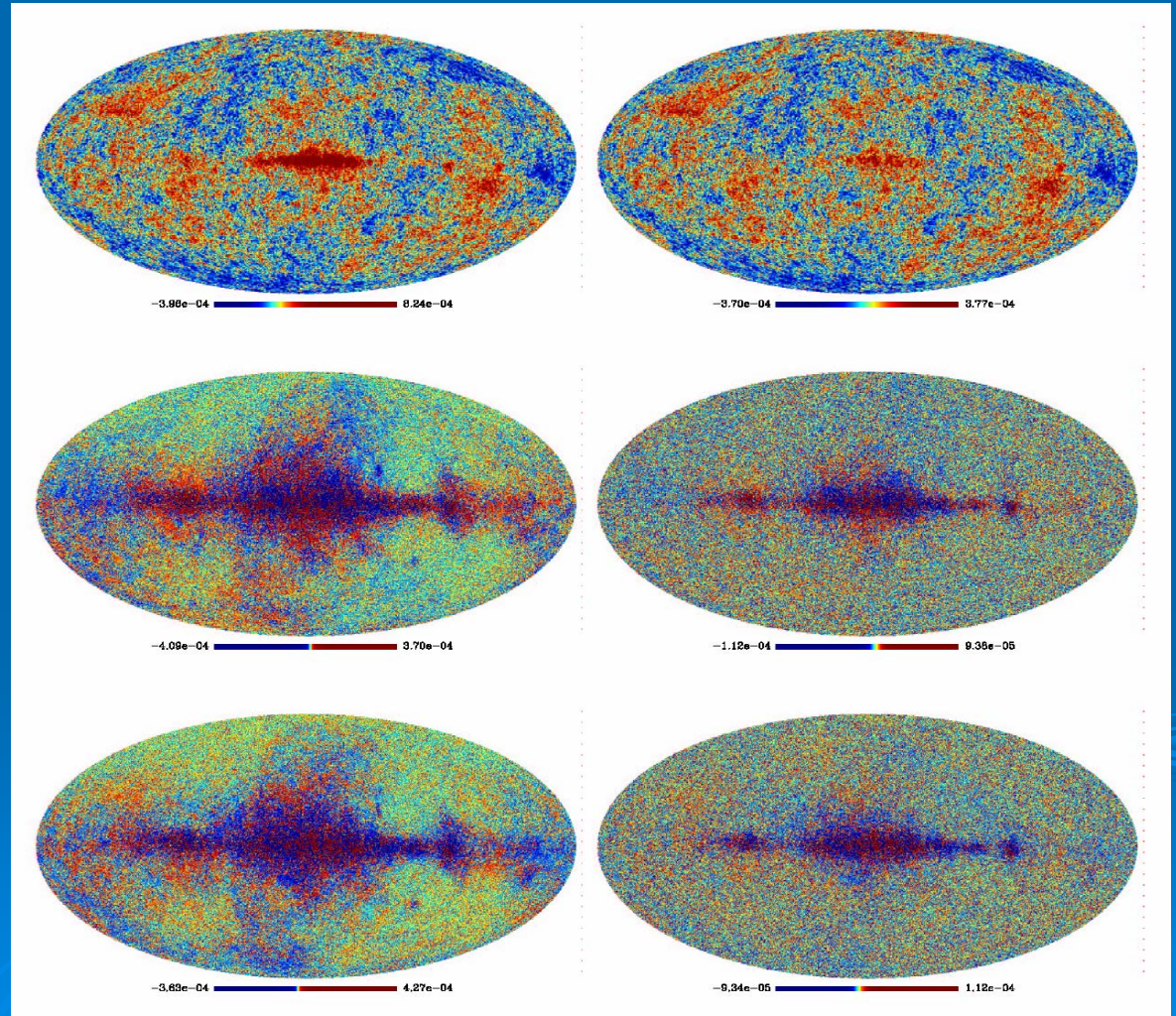


Independent Component Analysis (ICA)

- Assume statistical independence between different astrophysical emissions
- Their superposition tends to be close to Gaussianity
- Reverse the process with linear combinations of the signals at different frequencies, extremizing the non-Gaussianity
- Each extremum corresponds to one independent component

ICA performance

Mix CMB &
Synchrotron at 50
& 80 GHz, 3
arcmin resolution,
all sky, noiseless

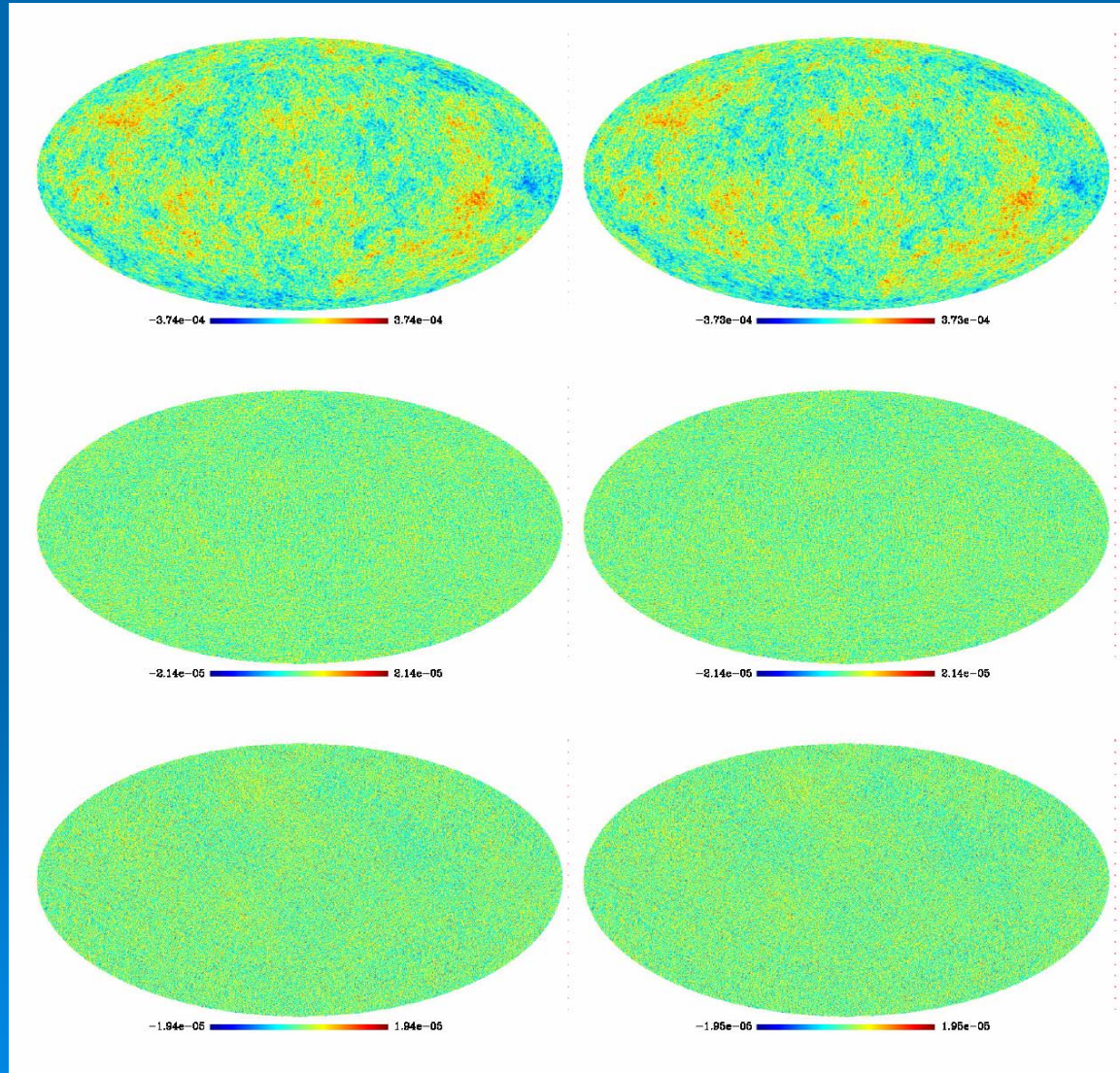


50 GHz

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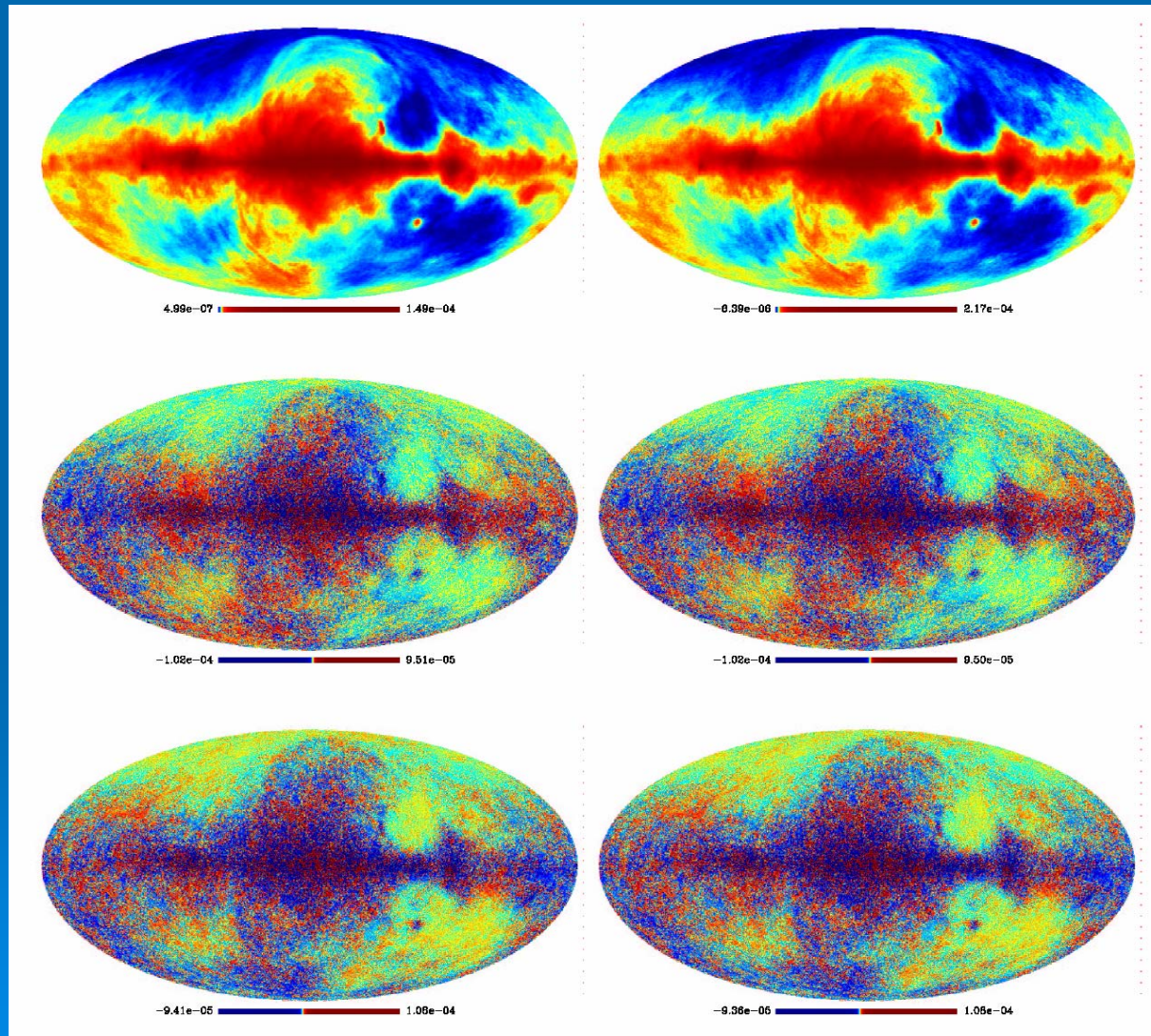
ICA performance



input

output

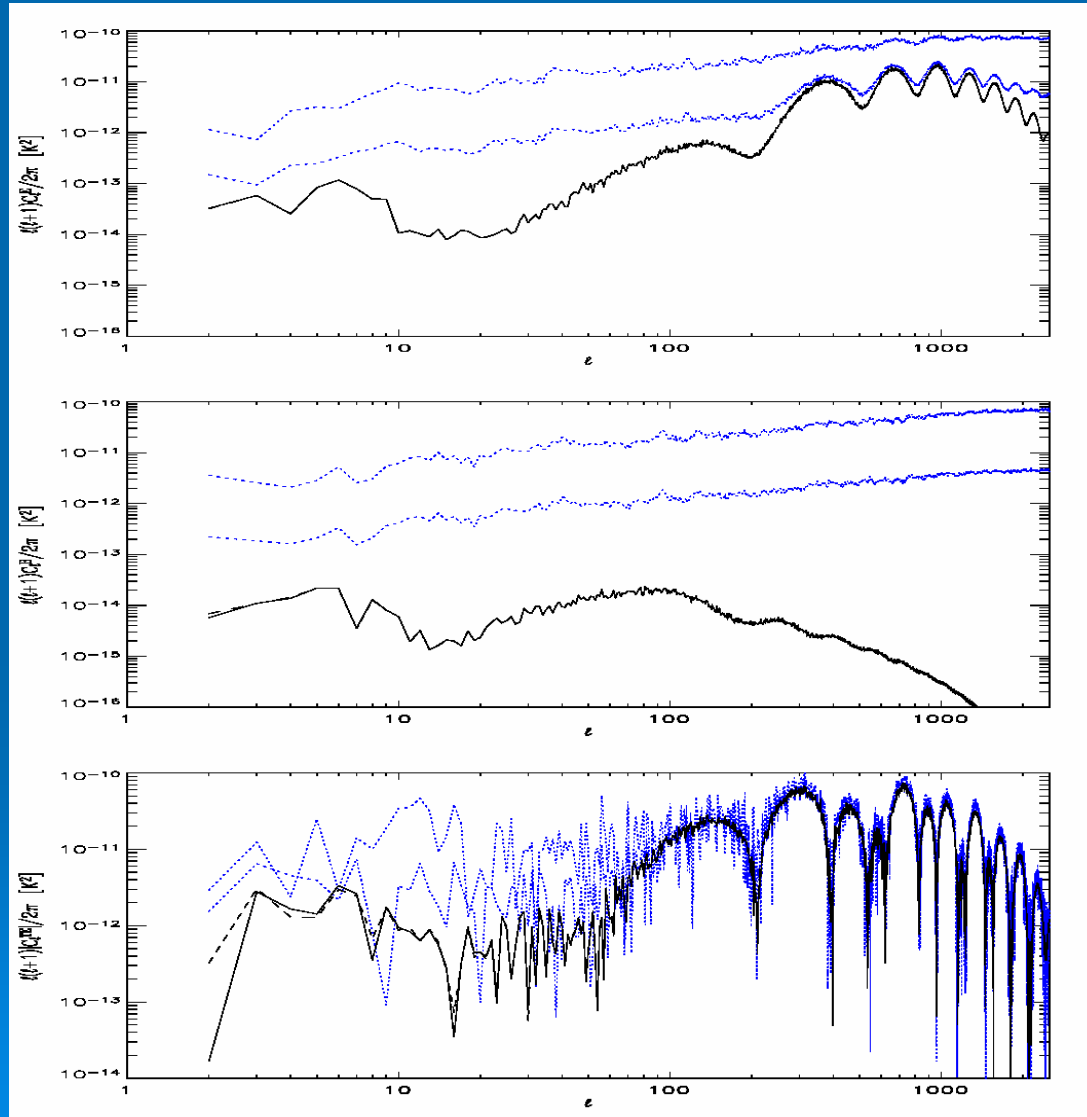
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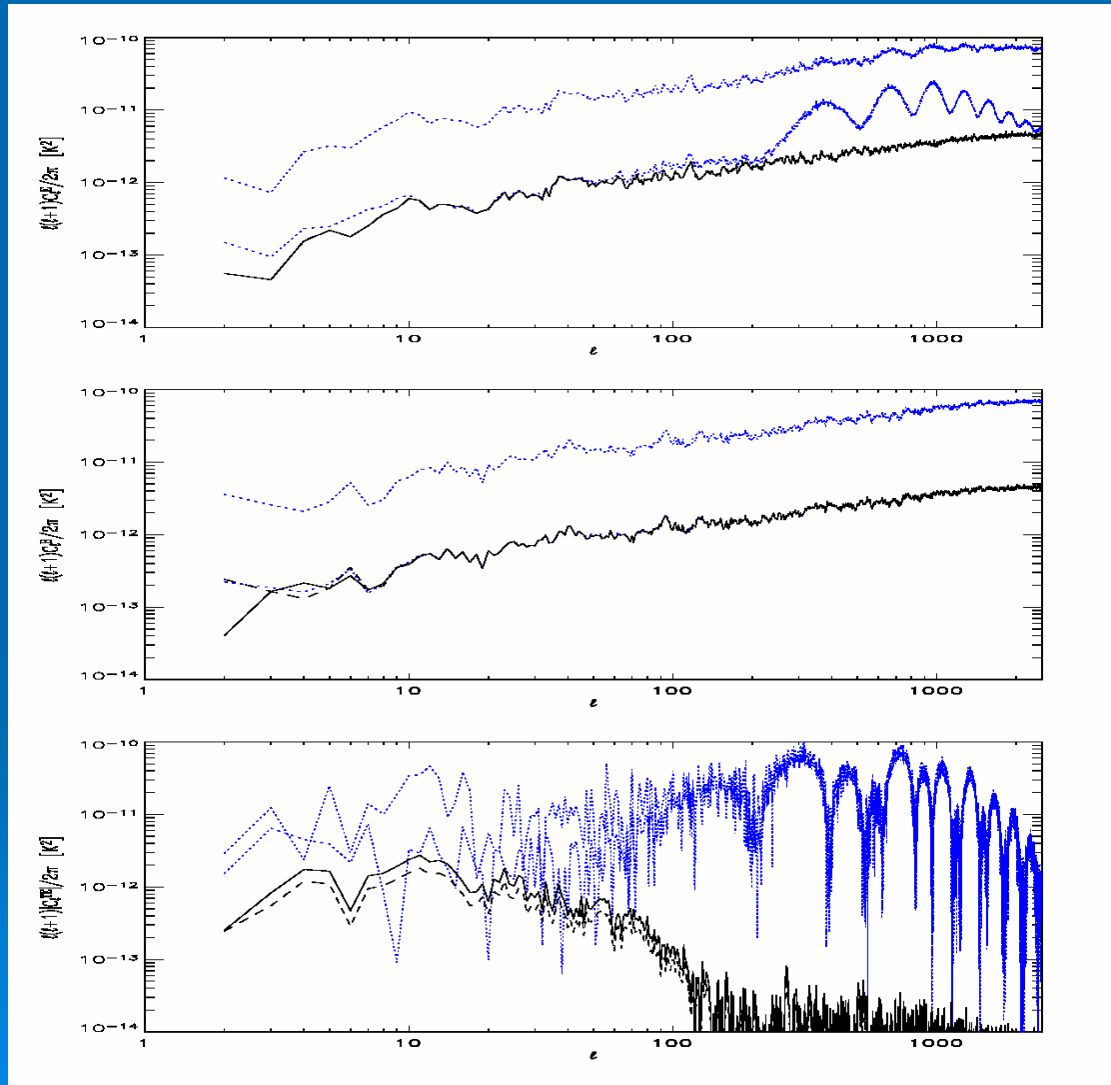
output

ICA performance



Blue: sky at the two frequencies. Black solid (dashed): CMB output (input)

ICA performance



Blue: sky at the two frequencies. Black solid (dashed): synchrotron output (input)