

Cosmology for Particle Physicists

Axions - inflation, primordial black holes,
chiral gravitational waves,
and cosmic birefringence



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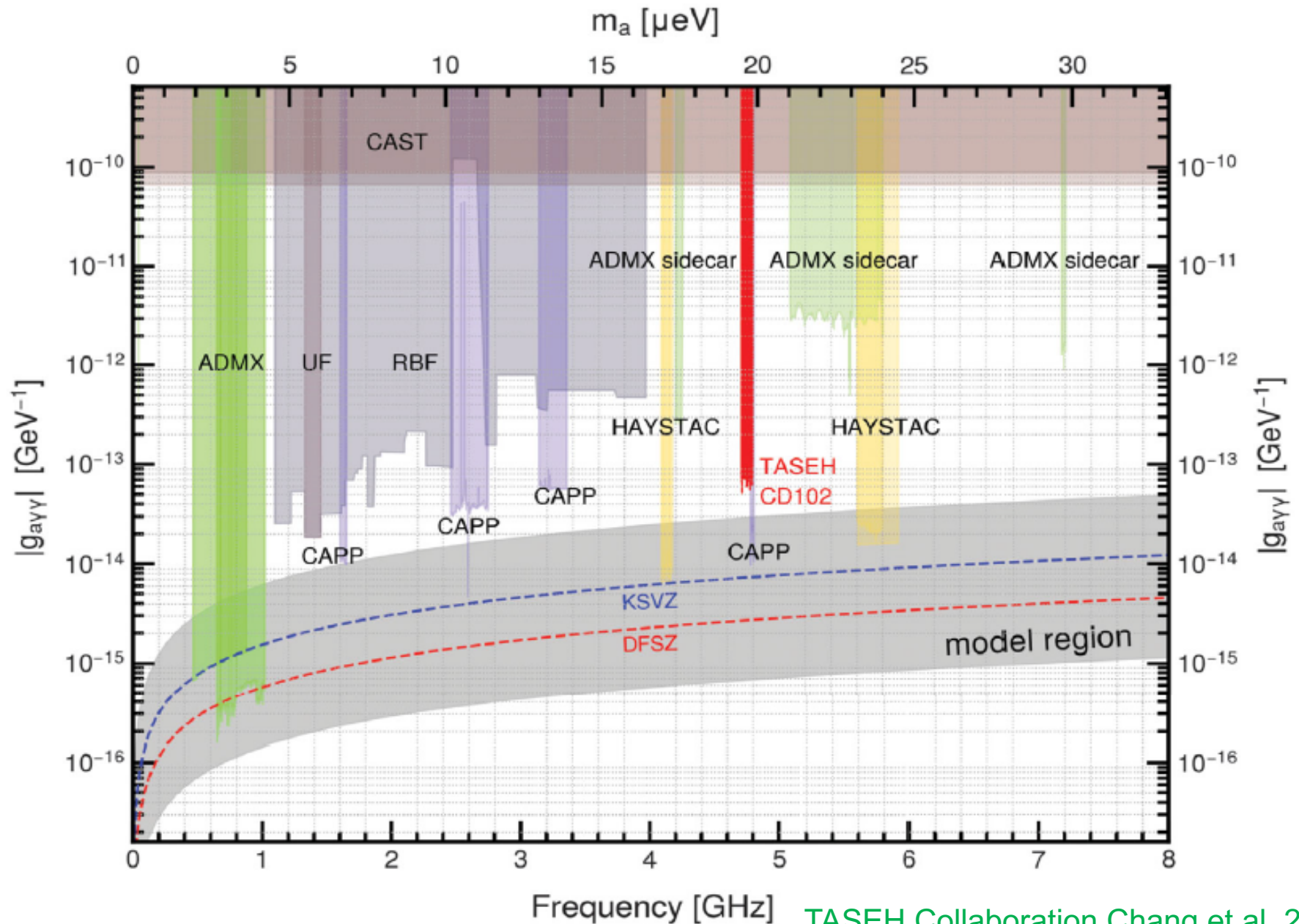
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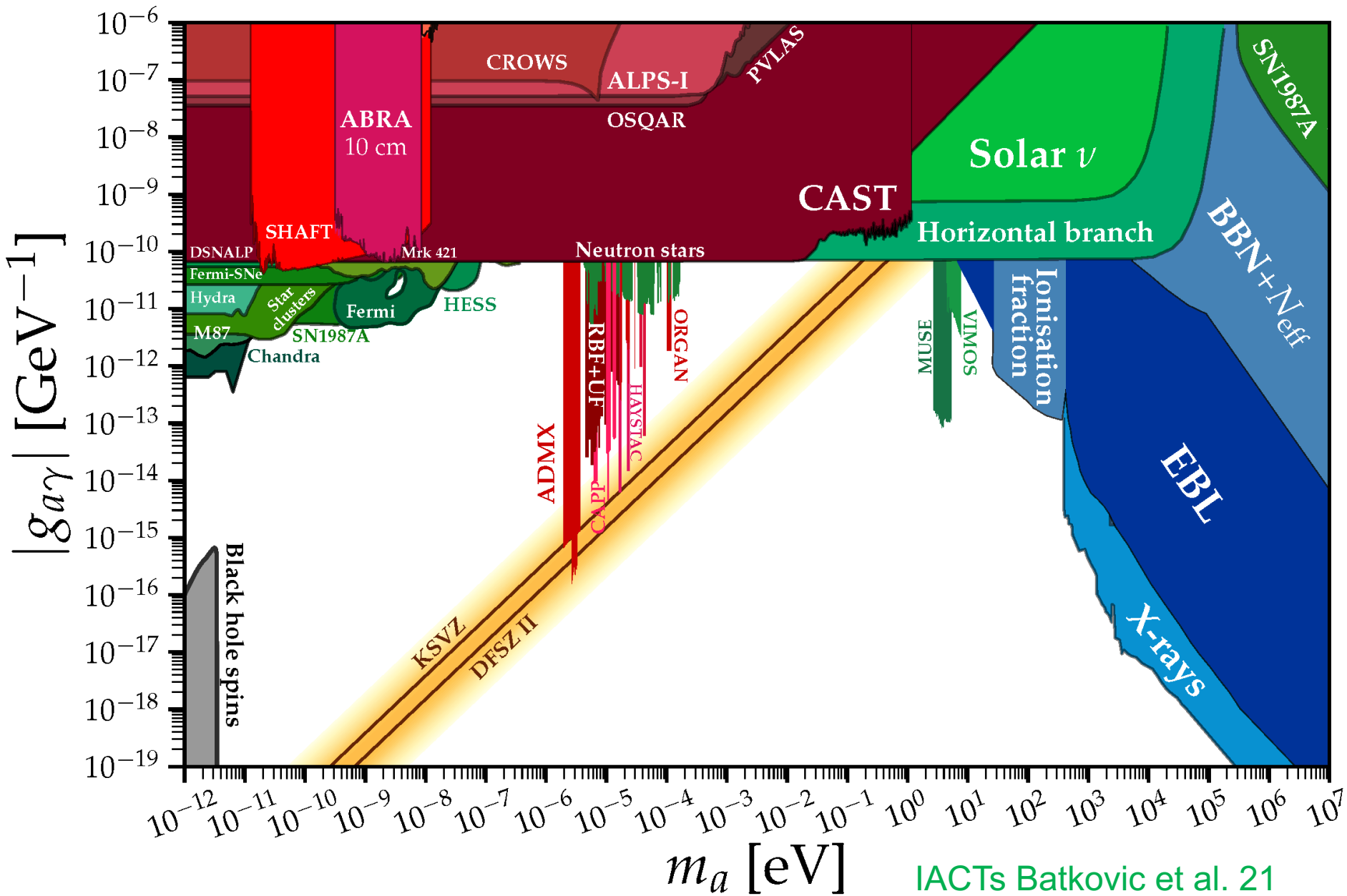
Outline

- Axions with mass and breaking scale (m_a, f_a)
- Assume an axion-photon coupling $aF\tilde{F}$
- Cosmic birefringence due to axionic dark matter / dark energy / string-wall networks and CMB B-mode polarization
- Axion inflation – PBH seeds and chiral gravitational waves
- Conclusion

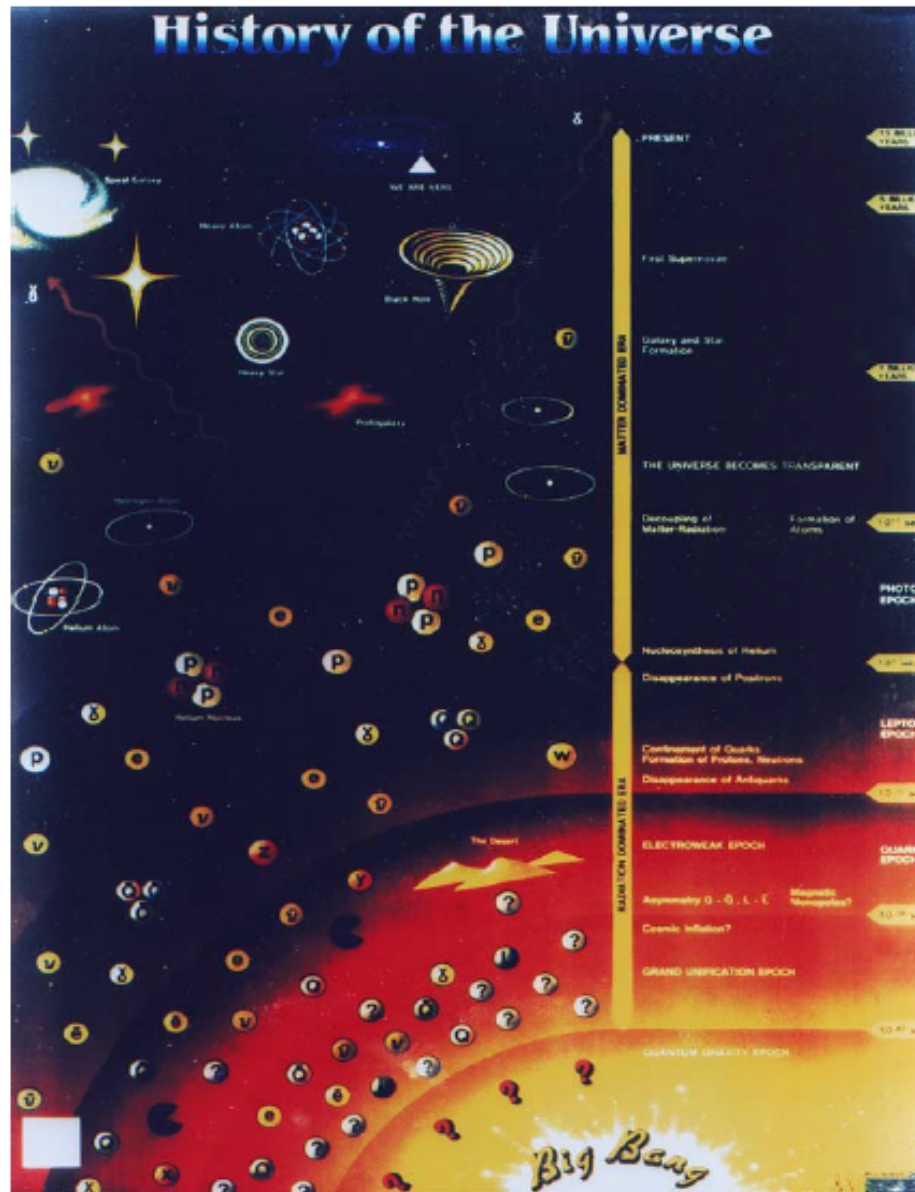
Axion experimental search



Ultralight axion constraints from experiments, astrophysics, and cosmology

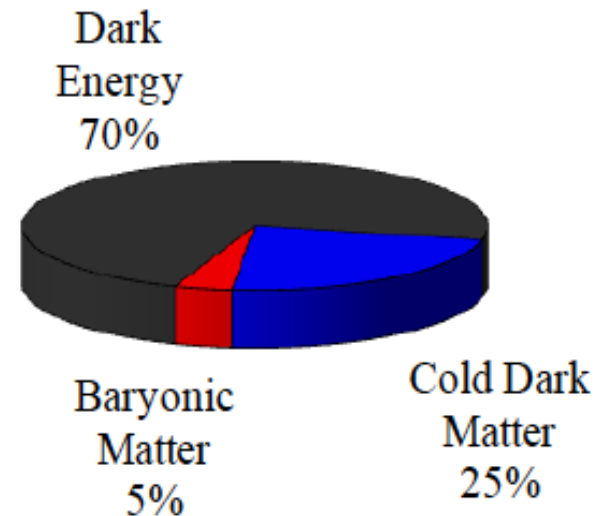


The Hot Big Bang Model



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Cosmic Budget



What is CDM?
Weakly interacting but
can gravitationally clump
into halos

What is DE??
Inert, smooth, anti-gravity!!

Axion-like DE and CDM

(too many references to list)

- Weak equivalence principle plus spin dictates a universal pseudoscalar (Ni 77)
- There exists at least one fundamental scalar – the Higgs boson !
- Axion monodromy – large-field inflation
- Peccei-Quinn symmetry breaking – QCD axion CDM
- Problems in small-scale structures – 10^{-22} eV scalar (maybe pseudoscalar) fuzzy CDM
- String axiverse – a plentitude of axions with a vast mass range 10^{-33} eV - 10^{-10} eV
- Extended string axiverse – axions as DE

Cosmic Expansion Equations and Cosmological Parameters

expansion
rate

total
energy

curvature

$$H^2 = 8\pi G (\rho_M + \rho_{DE}) / 3 - k / R^2$$

G	Newton's constant
R	scale factor or radius
$H \equiv \dot{R}/R$	Hubble parameter
ρ	energy density
p	pressure
k=1, 0, -1	closed, flat, open

$$1 = \Omega_M + \Omega_{DE} - k / (R^2 H^2)$$

$$\Omega \equiv 8\pi G \rho / 3H^2$$

The goal of modern cosmology is to determine the cosmological parameters h , k , Ω_M , Ω_{DE} ... where matter contains baryons, cold dark matter, neutrinos, photons...

acceleration

total pressure

$$H_0 = 100 h \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$$

$$\ddot{R} / R = -4\pi G (\rho_M + \rho_{DE} + 3p_M + 3p_{DE}) / 3$$

$$2q = \Omega_M (1 + 3w_M) + \Omega_{DE} (1 + 3w_{DE})$$

de-acceleration parameter
 $q \equiv -\ddot{R}R / \dot{R}^2$
 equation of state $w \equiv p / \rho$

$\Omega_M \approx \Omega_{CDM} = 0.25$, $w_{CDM} \approx 0$; $\Omega_{DE} \approx \Omega_\Lambda = 0.7$, $w_\Lambda \approx -1 \Rightarrow q < 0$ **Universe is accelerating !!**

Scalar field model for DE/DM

kinetic energy X

potential energy

$$S = \int d^4x \left[f(\phi) \frac{\partial_\mu \phi \partial^\mu \phi}{2} - V(\phi) \right]$$

Equation of State $w = p/\epsilon = (X-V)/(X+V)$

Sound speed $c_s^2 = 1$

Assume a spatially homogeneous scalar field $\phi(t)$

- $f(\phi)=1 \rightarrow X=\dot{\phi}^2/2 \rightarrow -1 < w < 1$ *quintessence*
- any $f(\phi) \rightarrow$ negative $X \rightarrow w < -1$ *phantom*
- $V(\phi) = m^2 \phi^2/2, m \gg H_{eq}$ *cold dark matter*

$V(\phi)$

$$m^2 \phi^2, \lambda \phi^4$$

Frieman et al (1995)

$$V_0/\phi^\alpha, \alpha > 0$$

Ratra & Peebles (1988)

$$V_0 \exp(\lambda \phi^2)/\phi^\alpha$$

Brax & Martin (1999,2000)

$$V_0 (\cosh \lambda \phi - 1)^p$$

Sahni & Wang (2000)

$$V_0 \sinh^{-\alpha}(\lambda \phi)$$

Sahni & Starobinsky (2000), Ureña-López & Matos (2000)

$$V_0 (e^{\alpha \kappa \phi} + e^{\beta \kappa \phi})$$

Barreiro, Copeland & Nunes (2000)

$$V_0 (\exp M_p/\phi - 1)$$

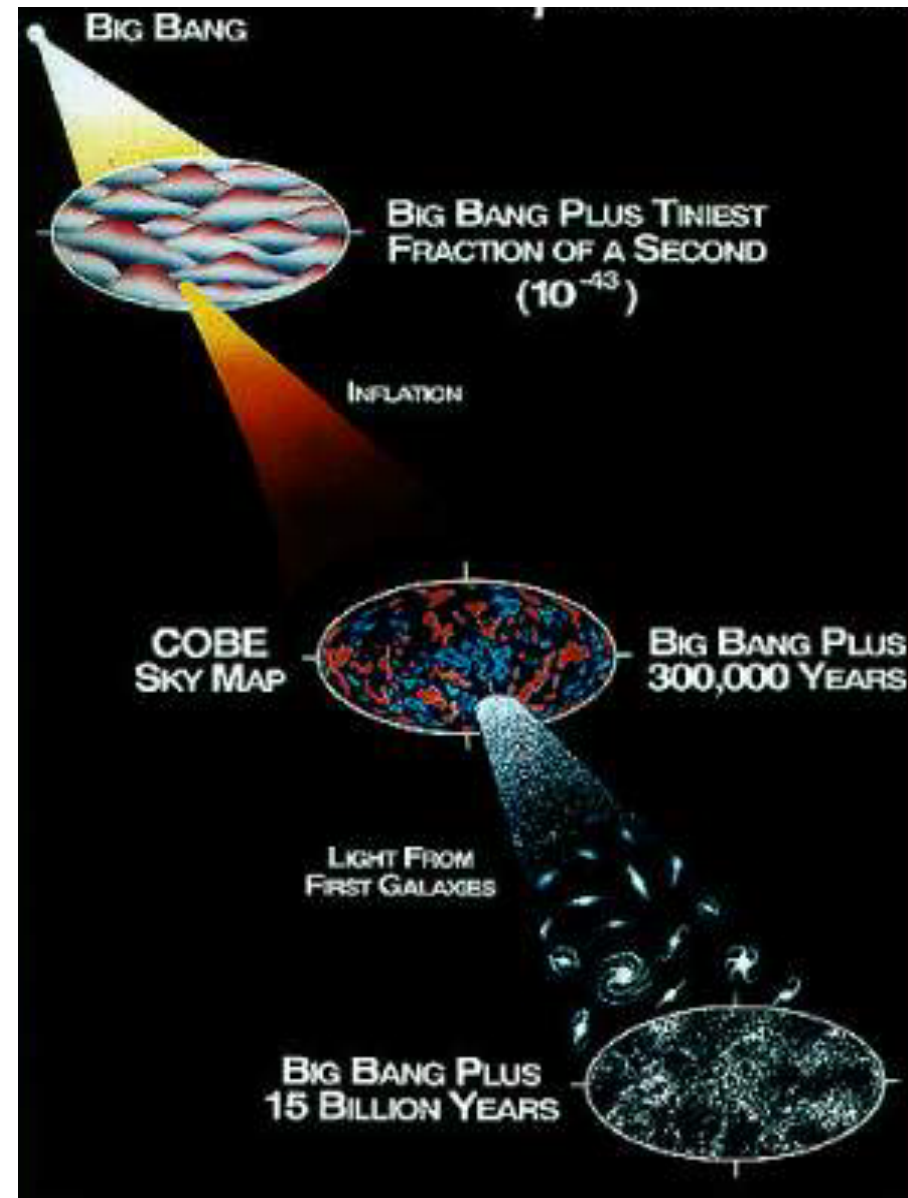
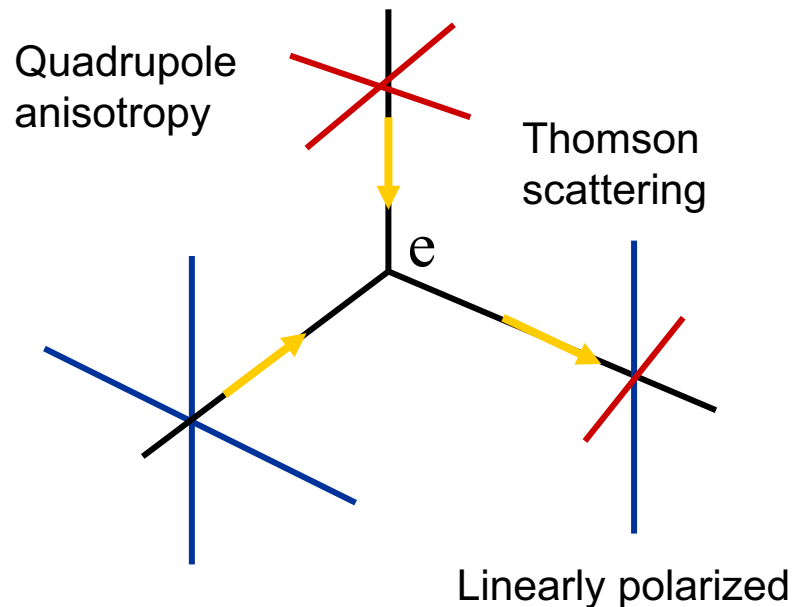
Zlatev, Wang & Steinhardt (1999)

$$V_0 [(\phi - B)^\alpha + A] e^{-\lambda \phi}$$

Albrecht & Skordis (2000)

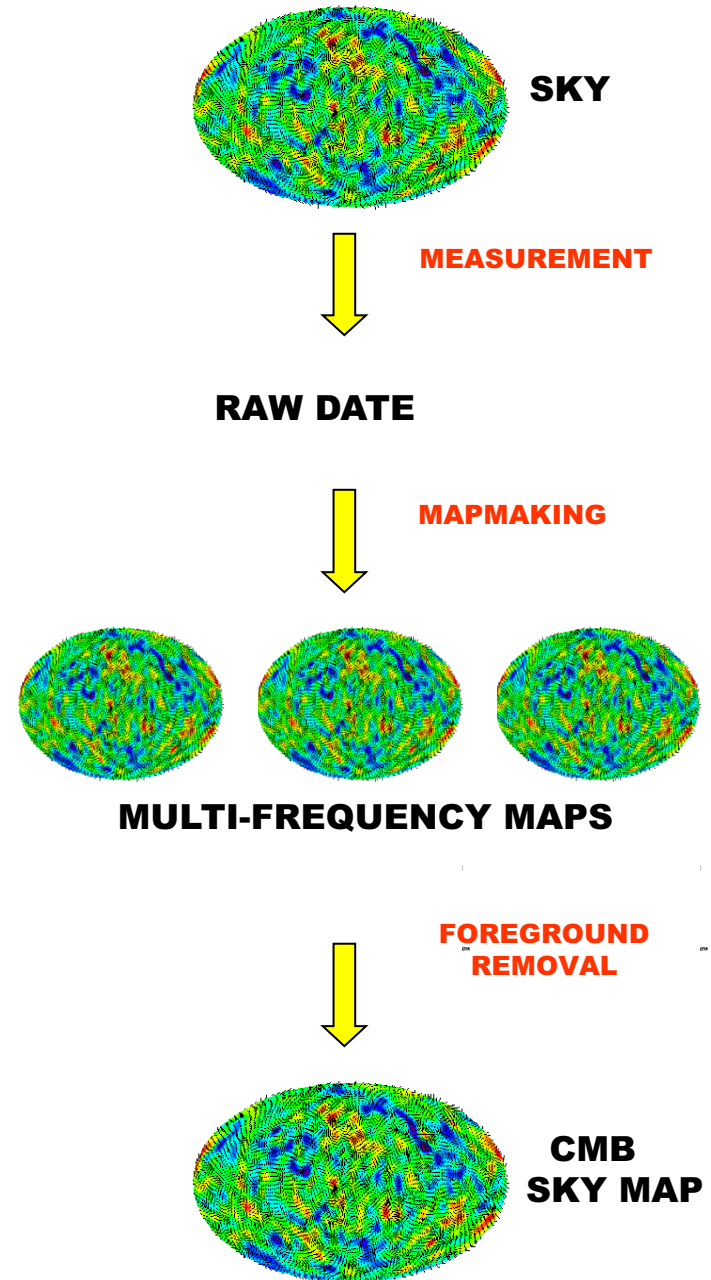
CMB Anisotropy and Polarization

- On large angular scales, matter inhomogeneities generate gravitational redshifts
- On small angular scales, acoustic oscillations in plasma on last scattering surface generate Doppler shifts
- Thomson scatterings with electrons generate polarization



CMB Measurements

- Point the telescope to the sky
- Measure CMB Stokes parameters:
 $T = T_{\text{CMB}} - T_{\text{mean}}$,
 $Q = T_{\text{EW}} - T_{\text{NS}}$, $U = T_{\text{SE-NW}} - T_{\text{SW-NE}}$
- Scan the sky and make a sky map
- Sky map contains CMB signal, system noise, and foreground contamination including polarized galactic and extra-galactic emissions
- Remove foreground contamination by multi-frequency subtraction scheme
- Obtain the CMB sky map



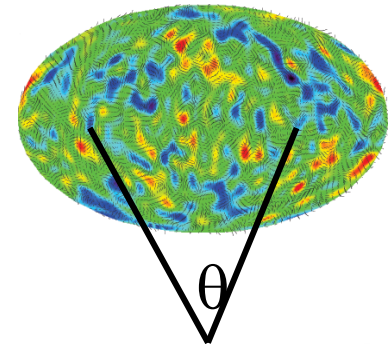
CMB Anisotropy and Polarization Angular Power Spectra

Decompose the CMB sky into a sum of spherical harmonics:

$$T(\theta, \varphi) = \sum_{lm} a_{lm} Y_{lm}(\theta, \varphi)$$

$$(Q - iU)(\theta, \varphi) = \sum_{lm} a_{2,lm} Y_{2,lm}(\theta, \varphi)$$

$$(Q + iU)(\theta, \varphi) = \sum_{lm} a_{-2,lm} Y_{-2,lm}(\theta, \varphi)$$

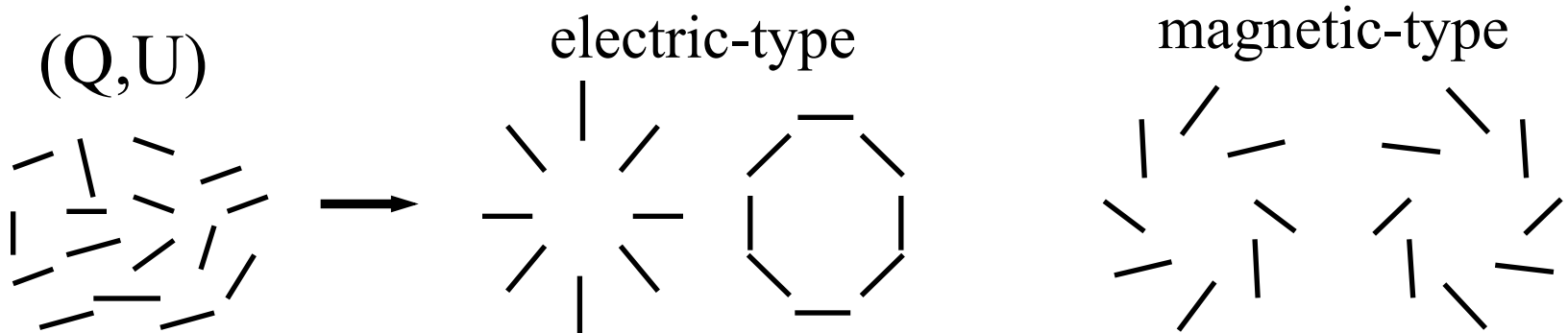


$$C_{l}^{TT} = \sum_m (a_{lm}^* a_{lm}) \quad \text{Anisotropy power spectrum} \quad l = 180 \text{ degrees} / \theta$$

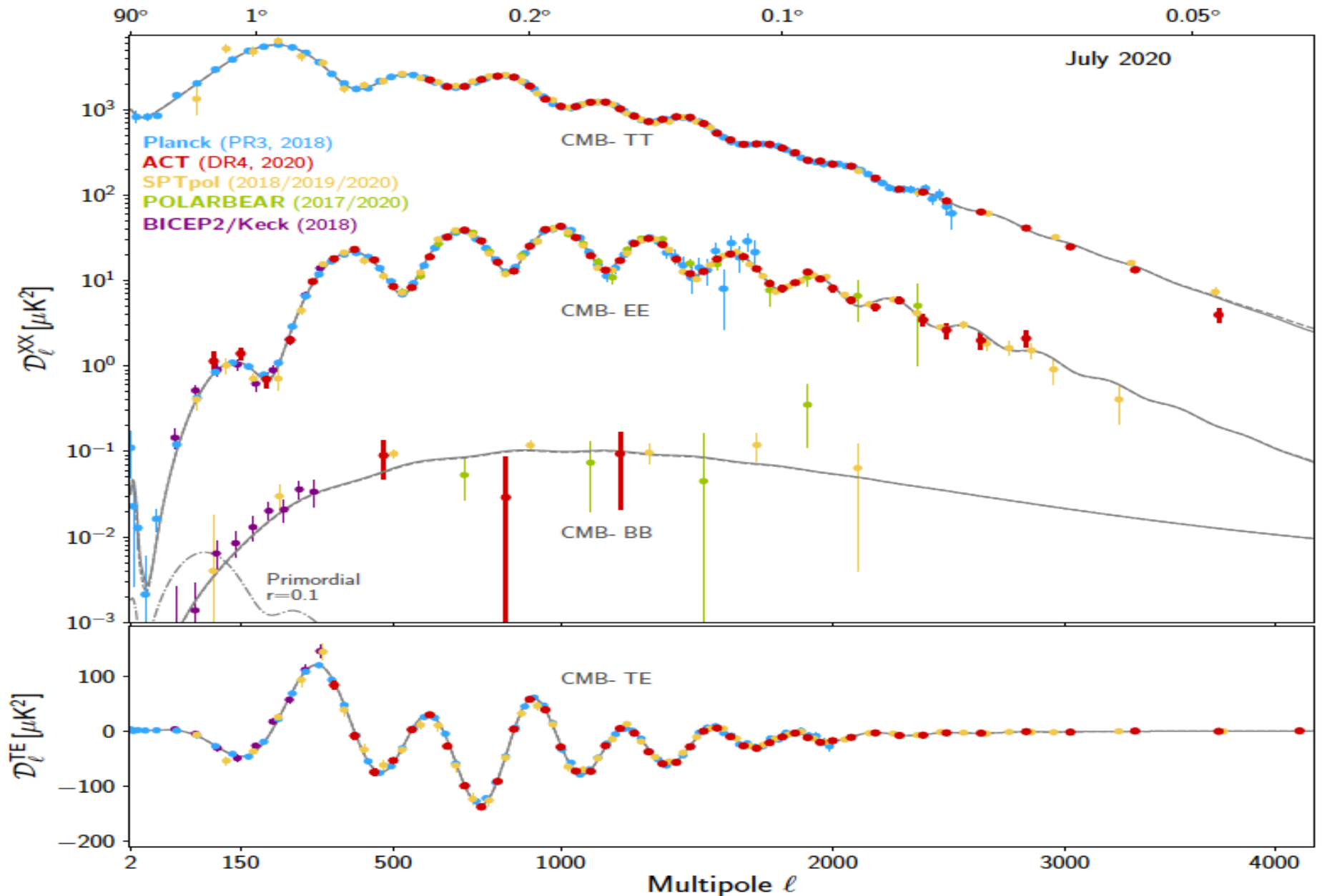
$$C_{l}^{EE} = \sum_m (a_{2,lm}^* a_{2,lm} + a_{2,lm}^* a_{-2,lm}) \quad \text{E-polarization power spectrum}$$

$$C_{l}^{BB} = \sum_m (a_{2,lm}^* a_{2,lm} - a_{2,lm}^* a_{-2,lm}) \quad \text{B-polarization power}$$

$$C_{l}^{TE} = - \sum_m (a_{lm}^* a_{2,lm}) \quad \text{TE correlation power spectrum}$$



Latest report on CMB measurements



Planck best-fit 6-parameter Λ CDM model 2018

Density perturbation (scalar)
power spectrum

Spectral index $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}}(k) = A_s \left(\frac{k}{k_0} \right)^{n_s-1}$

$k_0=0.05\text{Mpc}^{-1}$

Parameter	TT+lowE 68% limits	TE+lowE 68% limits	EE+lowE 68% limits	TT,TE,EE+lowE 68% limits	TT,TE,EE+lowE+lensing 68% limits	TT,TE,EE+lowE+lensing+BAO 68% limits
$\Omega_b h^2$	0.02212 ± 0.00022	0.02249 ± 0.00025	0.0240 ± 0.0012	0.02236 ± 0.00015	0.02237 ± 0.00015	0.02242 ± 0.00014
$\Omega_c h^2$	0.1206 ± 0.0021	0.1177 ± 0.0020	0.1158 ± 0.0046	0.1202 ± 0.0014	0.1200 ± 0.0012	0.11933 ± 0.00091
$100\theta_{\text{MC}}$	1.04077 ± 0.00047	1.04139 ± 0.00049	1.03999 ± 0.00089	1.04090 ± 0.00031	1.04092 ± 0.00031	1.04101 ± 0.00029
τ	0.0522 ± 0.0080	0.0496 ± 0.0085	0.0527 ± 0.0090	$0.0544^{+0.0070}_{-0.0081}$	0.0544 ± 0.0073	0.0561 ± 0.0071
$\ln(10^{10} A_s)$	3.040 ± 0.016	$3.018^{+0.020}_{-0.018}$	3.052 ± 0.022	3.045 ± 0.016	3.044 ± 0.014	3.047 ± 0.014
n_s	0.9626 ± 0.0057	0.967 ± 0.011	0.980 ± 0.015	0.9649 ± 0.0044	0.9649 ± 0.0042	0.9665 ± 0.0038
z_{re}	7.50 ± 0.82	$7.11^{+0.91}_{-0.75}$	$7.10^{+0.87}_{-0.73}$	7.68 ± 0.79	7.67 ± 0.73	7.82 ± 0.71

Λ CDM model + 1-parameter extension

r = Tensor (GWB) / Scalar
 $= P_h(k) / P_R(k)$ at $k=0.002 \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$

Spectral index $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}}(k) = A_s \left(\frac{k}{k_0} \right)^{n_s-1}$

Planck best-fit 7-parameter 2018

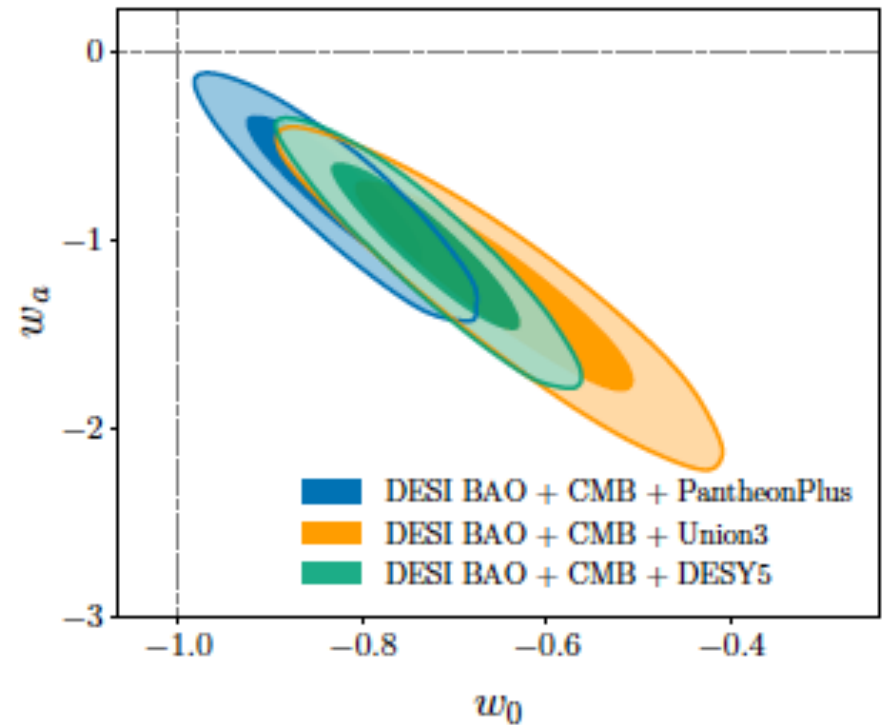
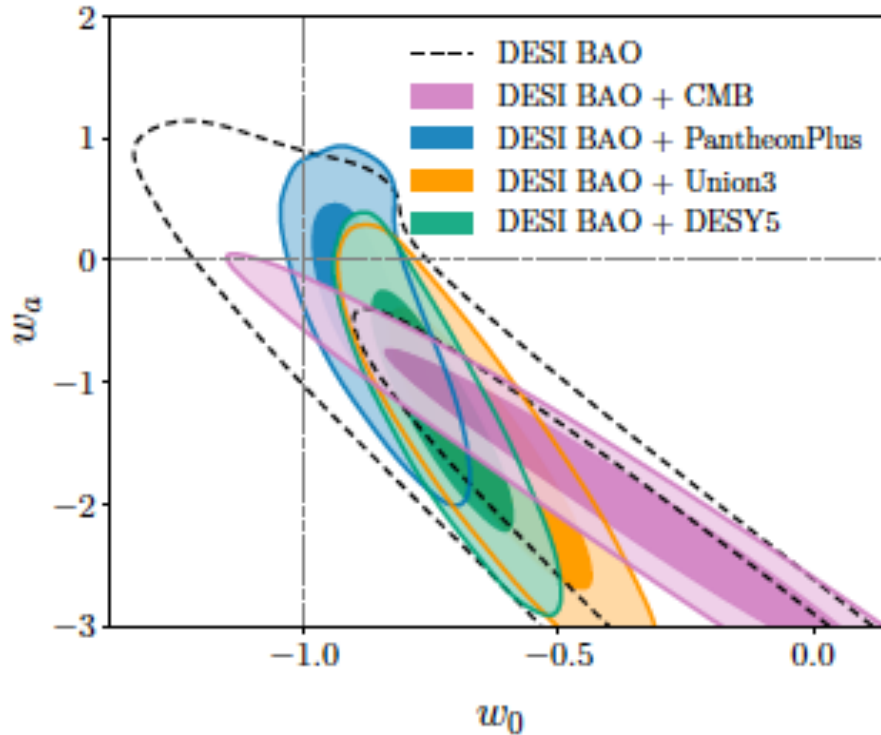
Parameter	TT+lowE	TT, TE, EE+lowE	TT, TE, EE+lowE+lensing	TT, TE, EE+lowE+lensing+BAO
Ω_K	$-0.056^{+0.044}_{-0.050}$	$-0.044^{+0.033}_{-0.034}$	$-0.011^{+0.013}_{-0.012}$	$0.0007^{+0.0037}_{-0.0037}$
Σm_ν [eV]	< 0.537	< 0.257	< 0.241	< 0.120
N_{eff}	$3.00^{+0.57}_{-0.53}$	$2.92^{+0.36}_{-0.37}$	$2.89^{+0.36}_{-0.38}$	$2.99^{+0.34}_{-0.33}$
Y_p	$0.246^{+0.039}_{-0.041}$	$0.240^{+0.024}_{-0.025}$	$0.239^{+0.024}_{-0.025}$	$0.242^{+0.023}_{-0.024}$
$dn_s/d \ln k$	$-0.004^{+0.015}_{-0.015}$	$-0.006^{+0.013}_{-0.013}$	$-0.005^{+0.013}_{-0.013}$	$-0.004^{+0.013}_{-0.013}$
$r_{0.002}$	< 0.102	< 0.107	< 0.101	< 0.106
w_0	$-1.56^{+0.60}_{-0.48}$	$-1.58^{+0.52}_{-0.41}$	$-1.57^{+0.50}_{-0.40}$	$-1.04^{+0.10}_{-0.10}$

Joint Planck+WMAP+BICEP/Keck Array constraint 2021

$$r_{0.05} < 0.036 \text{ at } 95\% \text{ c.l.}$$

The 2024 DESI galaxy survey measurement of

$$w(z) = w_0 + w_a z/(1+z)$$



$$(z_p, w_p) = \begin{cases} (0.57, -1.094 \pm 0.070) & (\text{DESI+CMB}) \\ (0.26, -0.982 \pm 0.028) & (\text{DESI+CMB+PantheonPlus}) \\ (0.33, -0.960 \pm 0.038) & (\text{DESI+CMB+Union3}) \\ (0.26, -0.946 \pm 0.026) & (\text{DESI+CMB+DESY5}). \end{cases}$$

Time-evolving
Dark Energy !!

DE/DM Coupling to Electromagnetism

$$\mathcal{L}_N = -\frac{1}{4}\sqrt{-g}B_{F\tilde{F}}(\phi)F_{\mu\nu}\tilde{F}^{\mu\nu}, \quad \text{where } \phi \equiv \frac{\Phi}{M}, \quad M = M_{Pl}/\sqrt{8\pi}$$

This leads to photon dispersion relation Carroll, Field, Jackiw 90

$$n_{\pm} = \varepsilon \mp \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial B_{F\tilde{F}}}{\partial \phi} \left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \eta} + \vec{\nabla} \phi \cdot \hat{n} \right) \quad (\varepsilon, \vec{n}) \text{ is the photon four-momentum}$$

± left/right handed η conformal time

vacuum birefringence

then, a rotational speed of polarization plane

$$\omega = \frac{1}{2}(n_+ - n_-) = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial B_{F\tilde{F}}}{\partial \phi} \left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \eta} + \vec{\nabla} \phi \cdot \hat{n} \right)$$

If $B=\beta\phi$, cooling of horizontal branch stars would imply $\beta < 10^7$

For homogenous field $\phi(t)$,
cosmic birefringence induces
a constant rotation angle α

ical birefringence". The rotated angle of the polarization direction for an observed source would then be given by

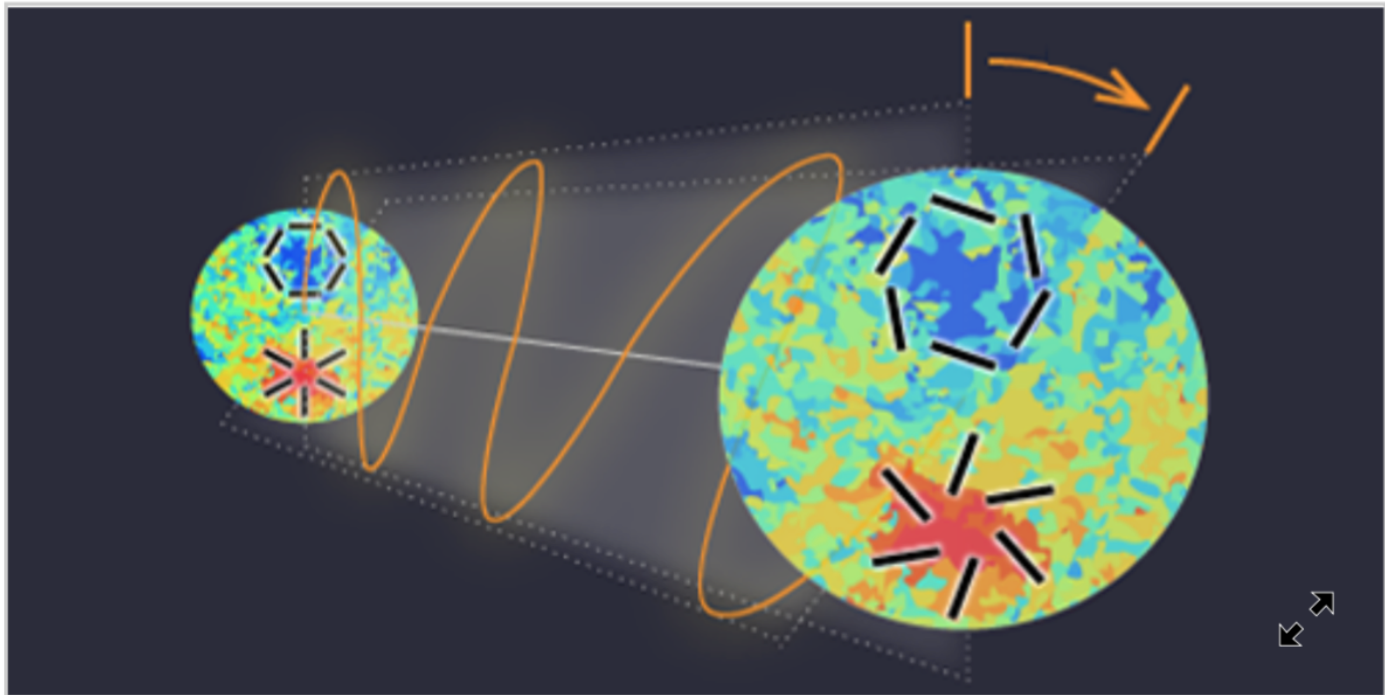
$$\bar{\alpha} = \int_z^0 \bar{\omega}(\eta) d\eta = -\frac{1}{2} \beta_{F\tilde{F}} \Delta\bar{\phi}, \quad (25)$$

where $\Delta\bar{\phi}$ is the change in $\bar{\phi}$ between the redshift z of the source and today. Measure-

Hints of Cosmic Birefringence?

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A new analysis of the cosmic microwave background shows that its polarization may be rotated by exotic effects indicating beyond-standard-model physics.



Y. Minami/KEK

Rotation angle

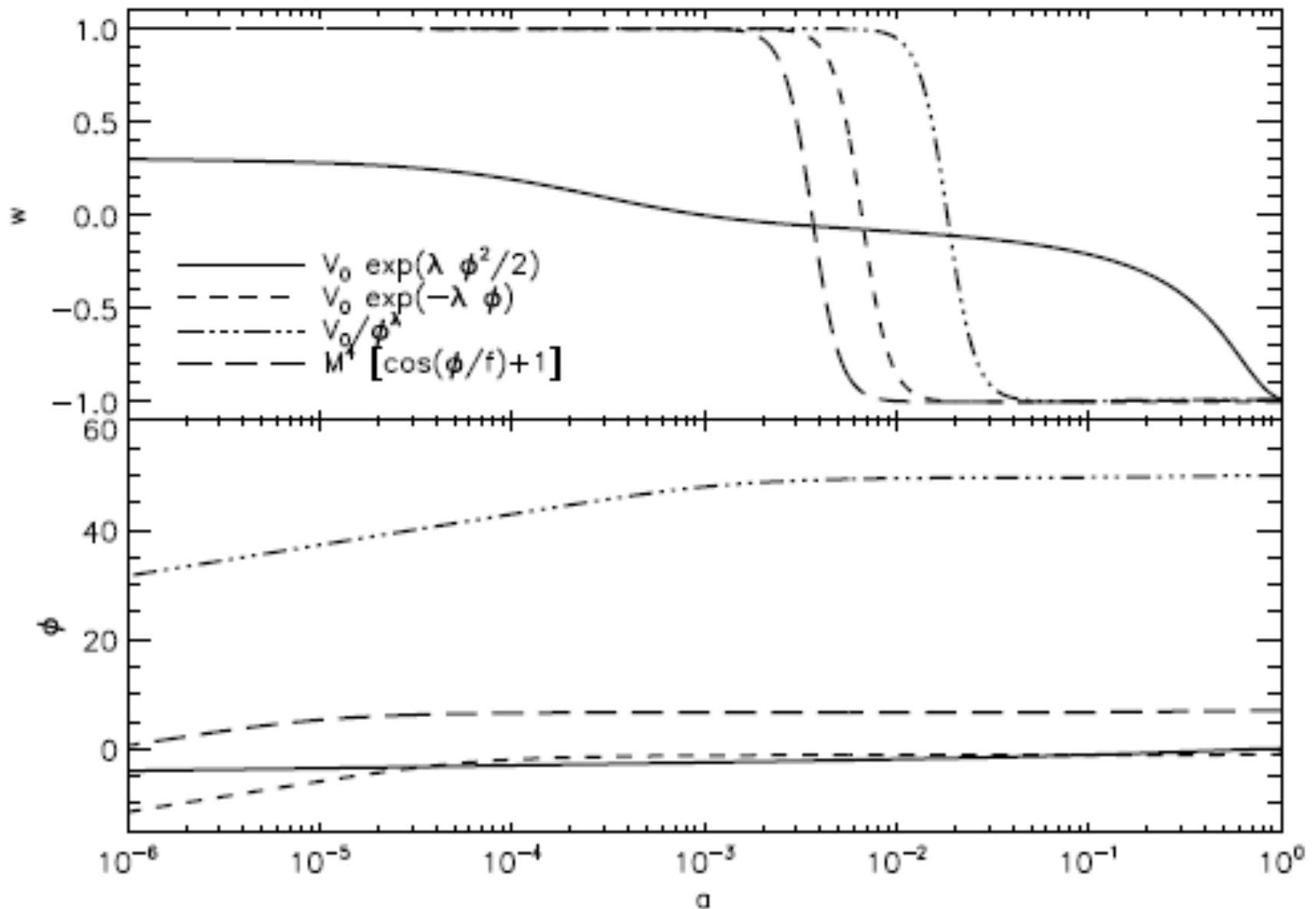
$$\alpha = -0.342^{\circ} {}^{+0.094^{\circ}}_{-0.091^{\circ}} \text{ (68\% CL)}$$

Y. Minami and E. Komatsu, “New extraction of the cosmic birefringence from the Planck 2018 polarization data,” *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **125**, 221301 (2020).

Systematics?

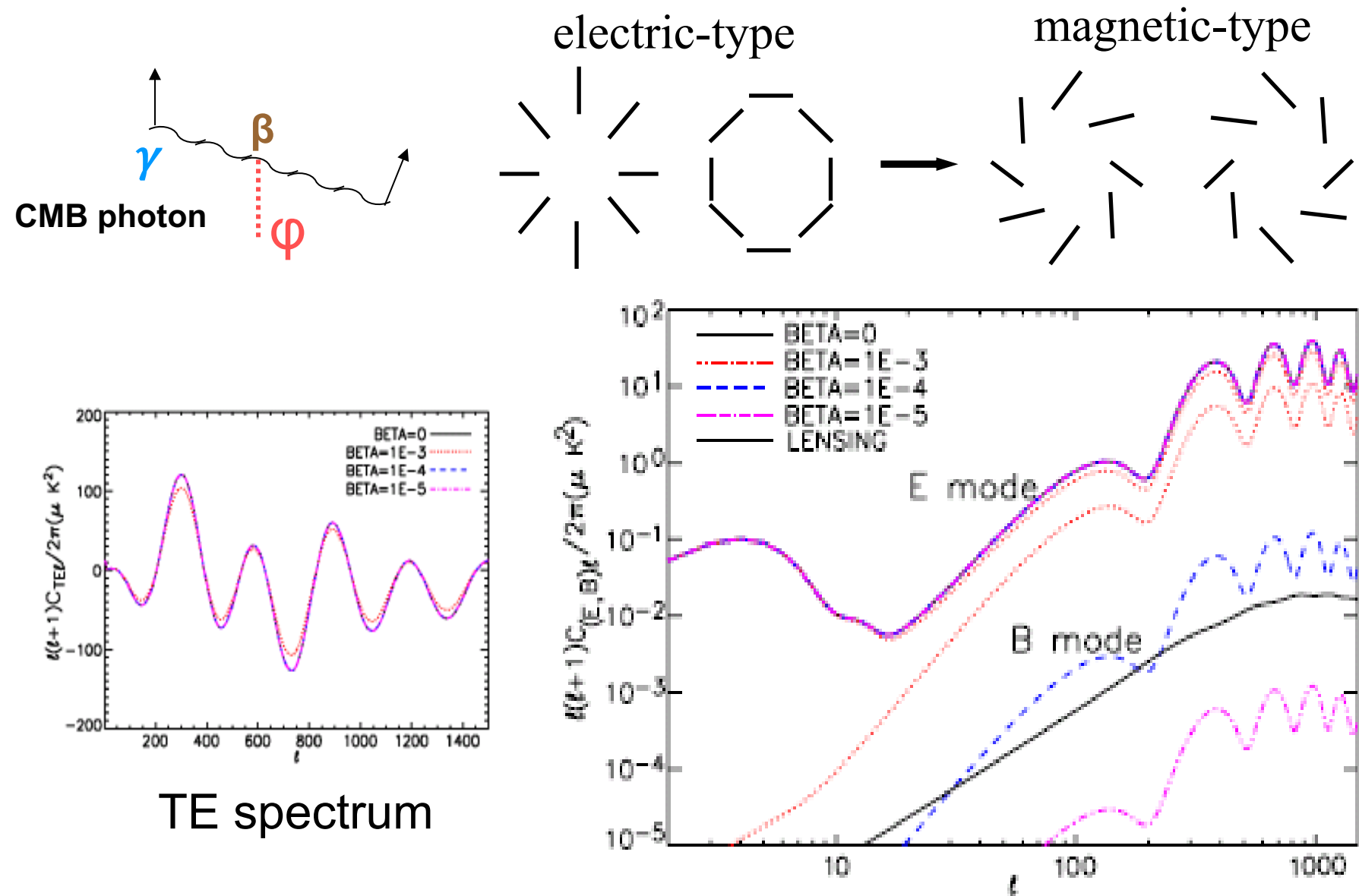
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We Tried Many Scalar Dark Energy Models

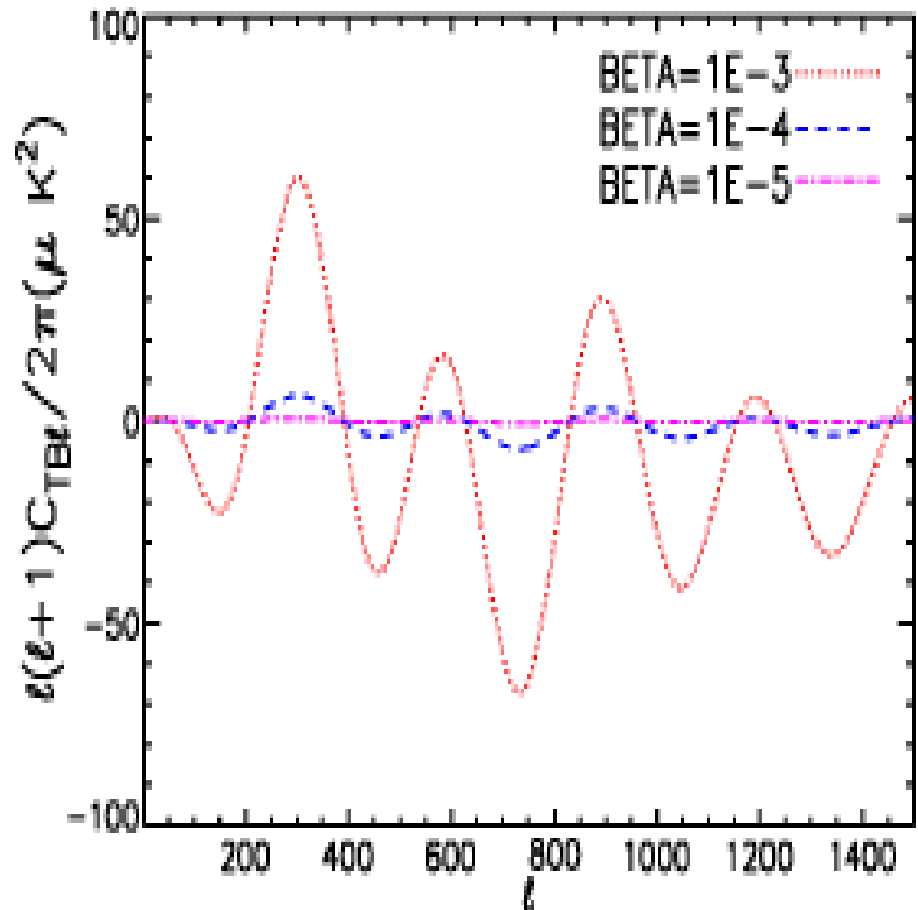
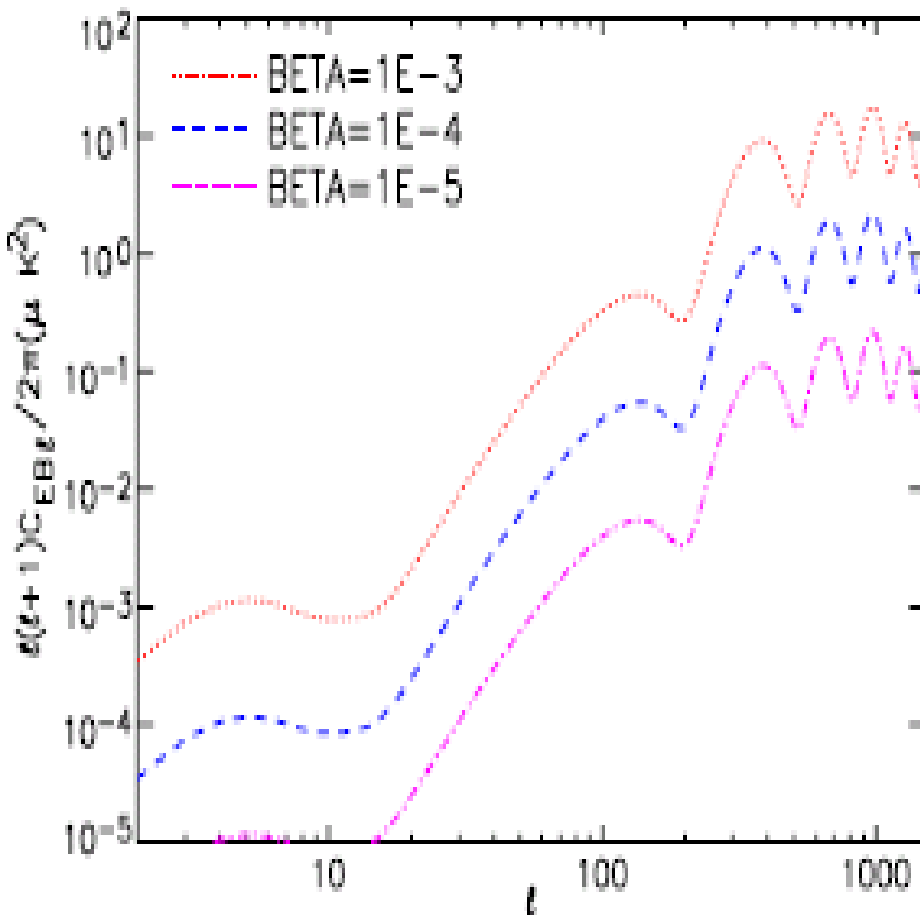


DE mean field induced vacuum birefringence – cosmic rotation of CMB polarization

Zhang et al 06
Liu, Lee, Ng 06



Parity violating EB,TB cross power spectra – cosmic parity violation



Including Dark Energy Perturbation

Dark energy
perturbation

$$\phi(\eta, \vec{x}) = \bar{\phi}(\eta) + \delta\phi(\eta, \vec{x}) \quad \delta\phi(\eta, \vec{x}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^3}} \int \delta\phi(\vec{k}', \eta) e^{i\vec{k}' \cdot \vec{x}} d^3 k'$$

time and space
dependent rotation

$$\omega = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial B_{F\tilde{F}}}{\partial \phi} \left(\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \eta} + \vec{\nabla} \phi \cdot \hat{n} \right)$$

$$\dot{\Delta}_{Q\pm iU}(\vec{k}, \eta) + ik\mu \Delta_{Q\pm iU}(\vec{k}, \eta) = n_e \sigma_T a(\eta) \left[-\Delta_{Q\pm iU}(\vec{k}, \eta) \times \right. \\ \left. \sum_m \sqrt{\frac{6\pi}{5}} {}_{\pm 2}Y_2^m(\hat{n}) S_P^{(m)}(\vec{k}, \eta) \right] \mp i2 \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^3}} \int d\vec{k}' \tilde{\omega}(\vec{k} - \vec{k}', \eta) \Delta_{Q\pm iU}(\vec{k}', \eta)$$

$$\tilde{\omega}(\vec{k}, \eta) = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial B_{F\tilde{F}}}{\partial \bar{\phi}} \left[\dot{\delta\phi}_{\vec{k}}(\eta) + i\vec{k} \cdot \hat{n} \delta\phi_{\vec{k}}(\eta) \right]$$

- Perturbation induced polarization power spectra in general quintessence models are small
- Interestingly, in nearly Λ CDM models (no time evolution of the mean field), birefringence generates $\langle BB \rangle$ while $\langle TB \rangle = \langle EB \rangle = 0$

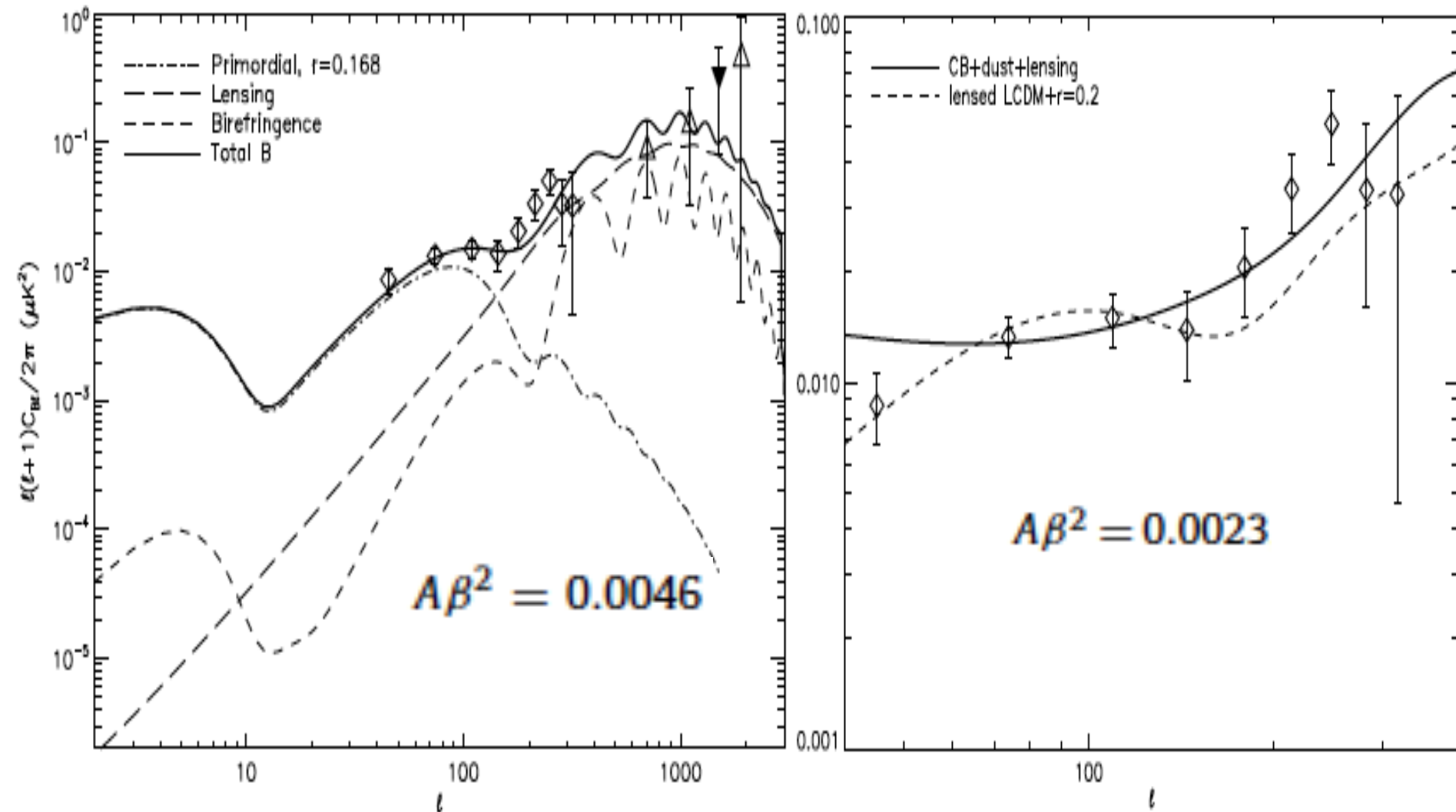
Cosmic Birefringence (CB) Fluctuations

Nearly massless
pseudo scalar

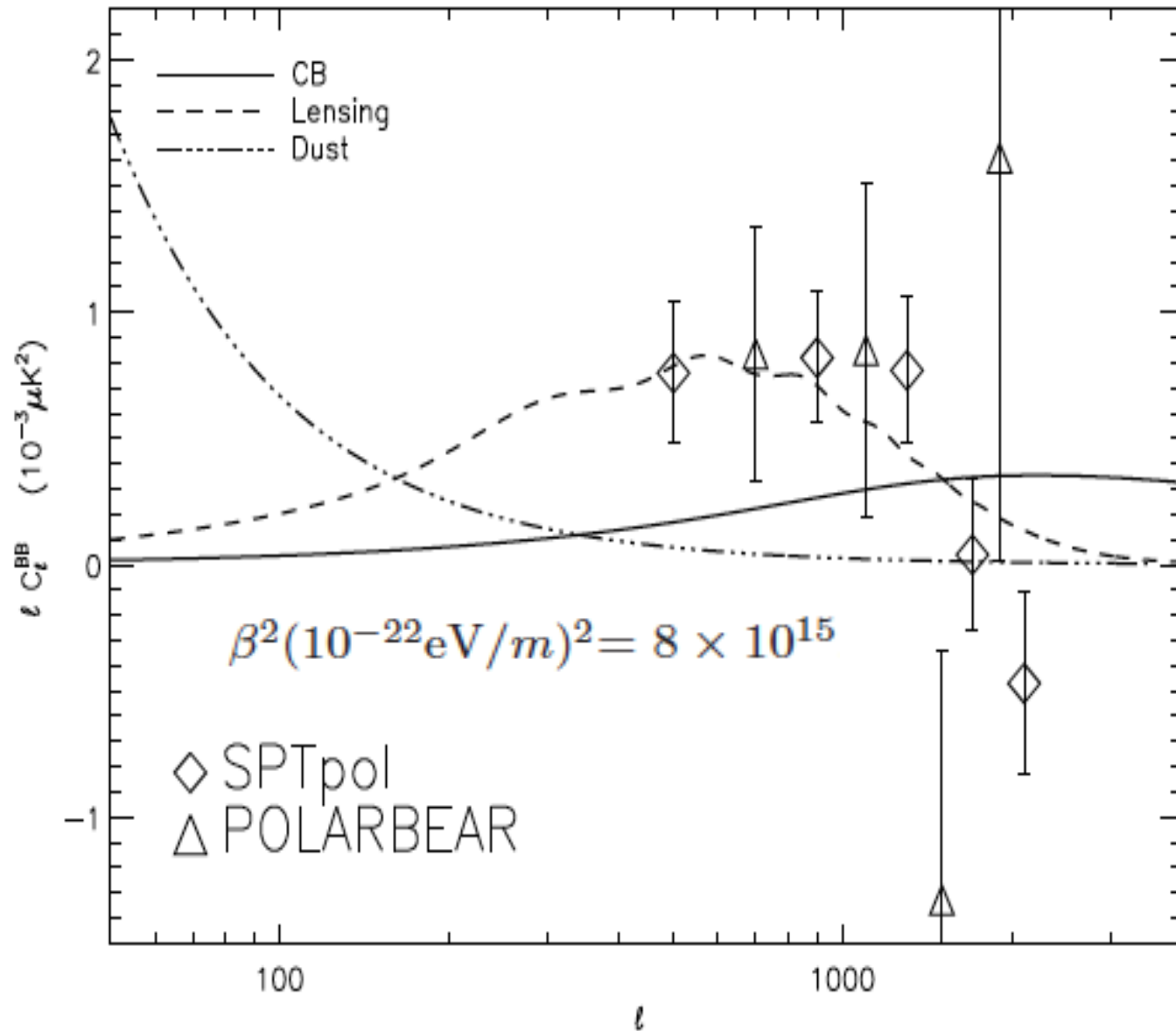
$$\langle \delta\phi_{\vec{k},i} \delta\phi_{\vec{k}',i} \rangle = (2\pi^2/k^3) P_{\delta\phi}(k) \delta(\vec{k} - \vec{k}')$$

$$P_{\delta\phi}(k) = A k^{n-1}$$

Pospelov et al. 08
Lee, Liu, Ng14



Axion ($m \sim 10^{-22} \text{eV}$) CDM curvature perturbation



$$\delta\rho_\phi/\rho_\phi = \delta\rho/\rho$$

$$\rho_\phi = m_\phi^2 \phi^2$$

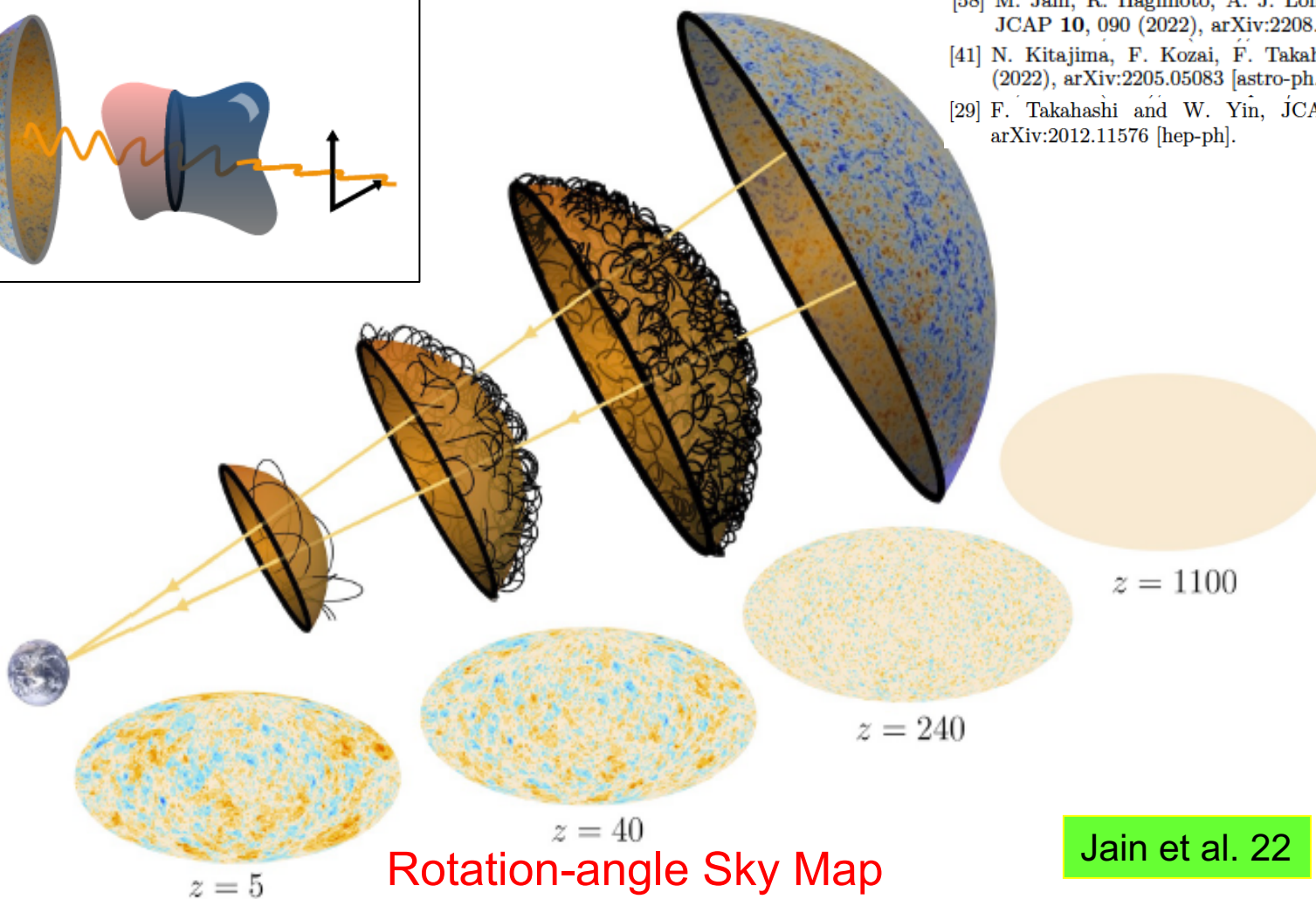
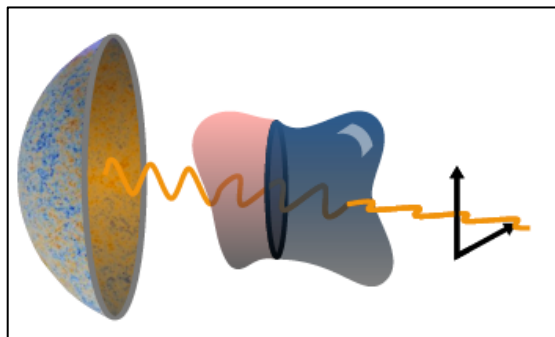
$$\frac{\delta\rho_\phi}{\rho_\phi} = 2 \frac{\delta\phi}{\phi}$$

$$\frac{\delta\phi}{M} = \frac{\delta\phi}{\phi} \frac{\phi}{M}$$

$$\phi = \phi_m \left(\frac{a_m}{a} \right)^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

$$H(a_m) = m$$

Ultra-light Axionic string-wall networks



Rotation-angle Sky Map

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Axion Inflation

We consider a version of the trapped inflation driven by a pseudoscalar φ that couples to a $U(1)$ gauge field A_μ :

$$\mathcal{S} = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[\frac{M_p^2}{2} R - \frac{1}{2} \partial_\mu \varphi \partial^\mu \varphi - V(\varphi) - \frac{1}{4} F^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} - \frac{\alpha}{4f} \varphi \tilde{F}^{\mu\nu} F_{\mu\nu} \right], \quad (3)$$

Sorbo, Barnaby,
Namba, Peloso,
Meerburg, Pajer,
Unal,....

$$\varphi = \phi(\eta) + \delta\varphi(\eta, \vec{x})$$

Under the temporal gauge, $A_\mu = (0, \vec{A})$, we decompose $\vec{A}(\eta, \vec{x})$ into its right and left circularly polarized Fourier modes, $A_\pm(\eta, \vec{k})$, whose equation of motion is then given by

$$\left[\frac{d^2}{d\eta^2} + k^2 \mp 2aHk\xi \right] A_\pm(\eta, k) = 0, \quad \xi \equiv \frac{\alpha}{2fH} \frac{d\phi}{dt}. \quad (5)$$

$$d\eta = dt/a$$

$$k/(aH) < 2|\xi|$$

Spinoidal
instability

Background

$$\frac{d^2\phi}{dt^2} + 3H\frac{d\phi}{dt} + \frac{dV}{d\phi} = \frac{\alpha}{f}\langle\vec{E} \cdot \vec{B}\rangle,$$

$$3H^2 = \frac{1}{M_p^2} \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{d\phi}{dt} \right)^2 + V(\phi) + \frac{1}{2} \langle \vec{E}^2 + \vec{B}^2 \rangle \right]$$

$$\langle \vec{E} \cdot \vec{B} \rangle \simeq -2.4 \cdot 10^{-4} \frac{H^4}{\xi^4} e^{2\pi\xi},$$

$$\left\langle \frac{\vec{E}^2 + \vec{B}^2}{2} \right\rangle \simeq 1.4 \cdot 10^{-4} \frac{H^4}{\xi^3} e^{2\pi\xi}.$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \langle \vec{E}^2 + \vec{B}^2 \rangle = \int \frac{dk k^2}{4\pi^2 a^4} \sum_{\lambda=\pm} \left(\left| \frac{dA_\lambda}{d\eta} \right|^2 + k^2 |A_\lambda|^2 \right),$$

$$\langle \vec{E} \cdot \vec{B} \rangle = - \int \frac{dk k^3}{4\pi^2 a^4} \frac{d}{d\eta} (|A_+|^2 - |A_-|^2).$$

Perturbation

$$\left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} + 3\beta H \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \frac{\vec{\nabla}^2}{a^2} + \frac{d^2V}{d\phi^2} \right] \delta\varphi(t, \vec{x}) = \frac{\alpha}{f} \left(\vec{E} \cdot \vec{B} - \langle \vec{E} \cdot \vec{B} \rangle \right)$$

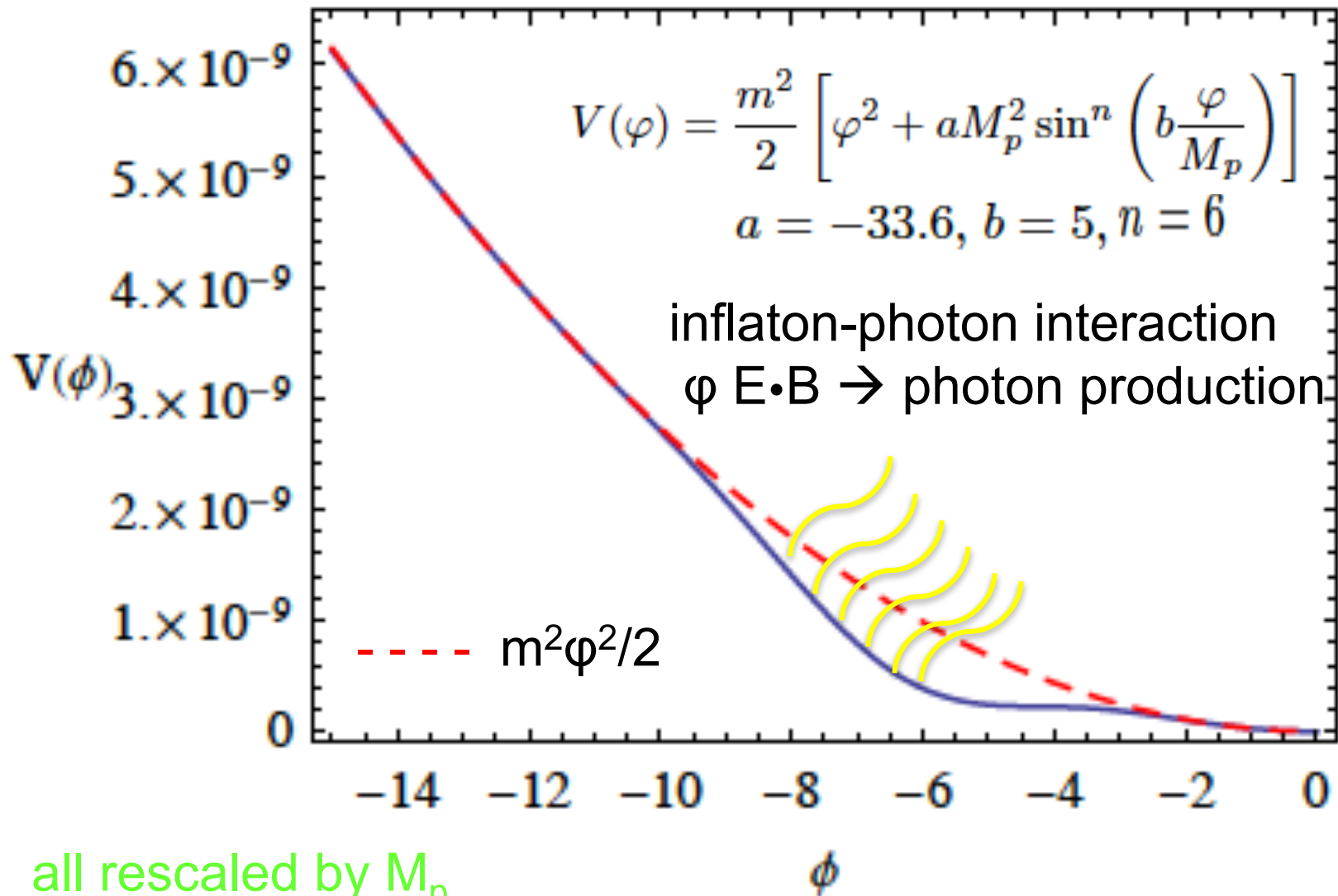
$$\delta\varphi = \frac{\alpha}{3\beta f H^2} \left(\vec{E} \cdot \vec{B} - \langle \vec{E} \cdot \vec{B} \rangle \right)$$

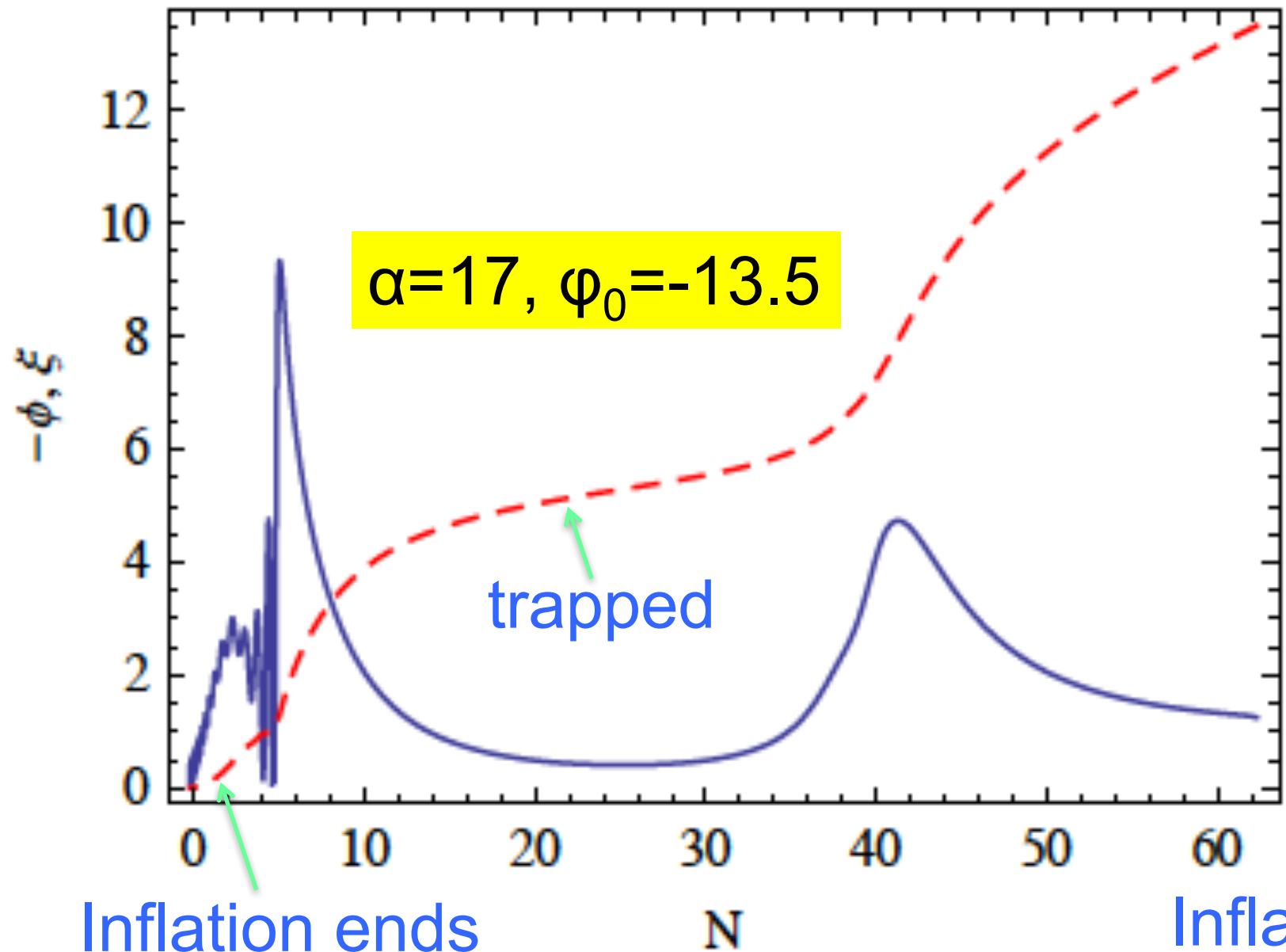
$$\beta \equiv 1 - 2\pi\xi \frac{\alpha}{f} \frac{\langle \vec{E} \cdot \vec{B} \rangle}{3H(d\phi/dt)}$$

$$\Delta_\zeta^2(k) = \langle \zeta(x)^2 \rangle = \frac{H^2 \langle \delta\varphi^2 \rangle}{(d\phi/dt)^2} = \left[\frac{\alpha \langle \vec{E} \cdot \vec{B} \rangle}{3\beta f H (d\phi/dt)} \right]^2$$

e.g. Axion inflation with a steep potential

Cheng, Lee, Ng 16



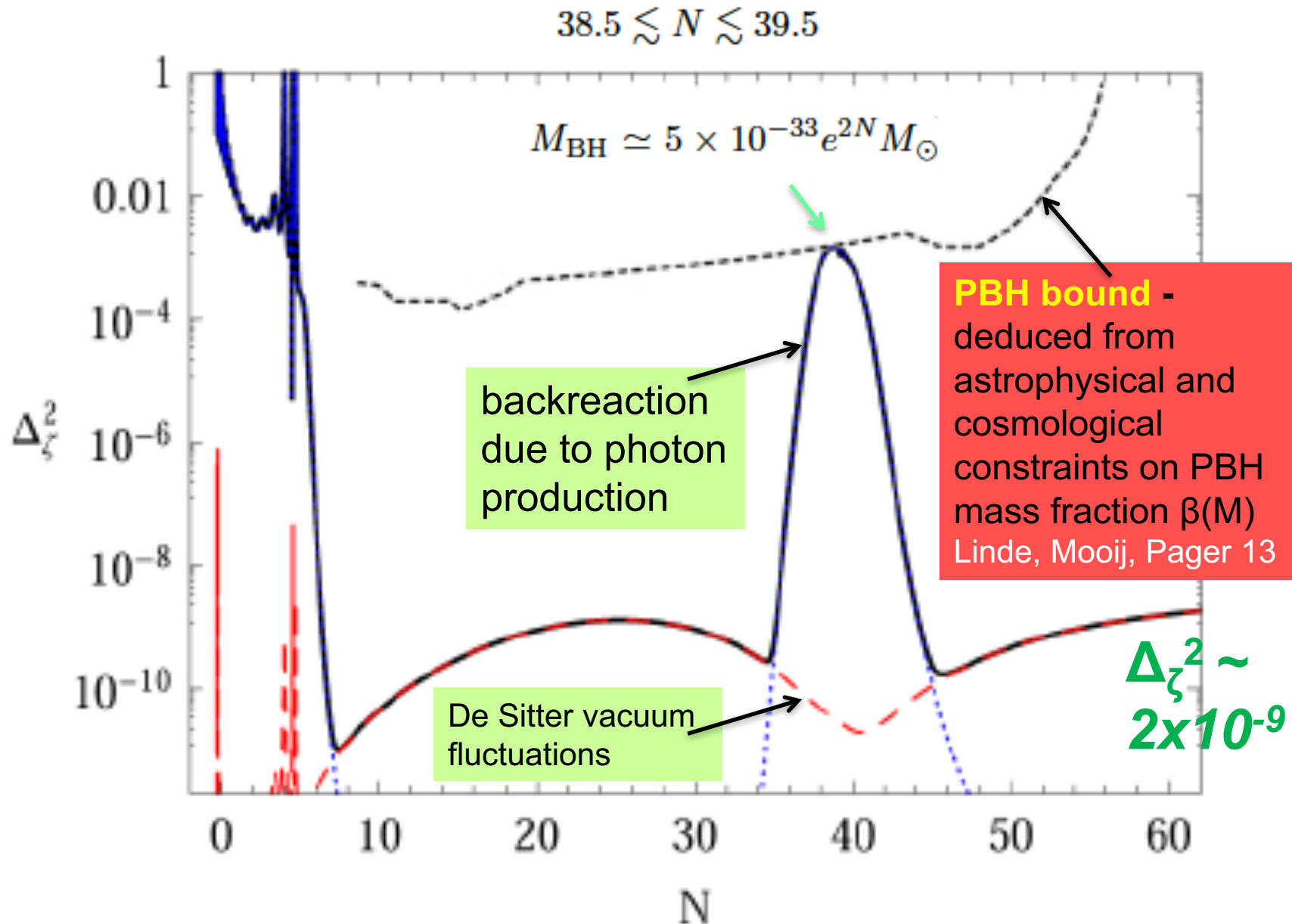


Inflation ends
without preheating

Inflation
begins

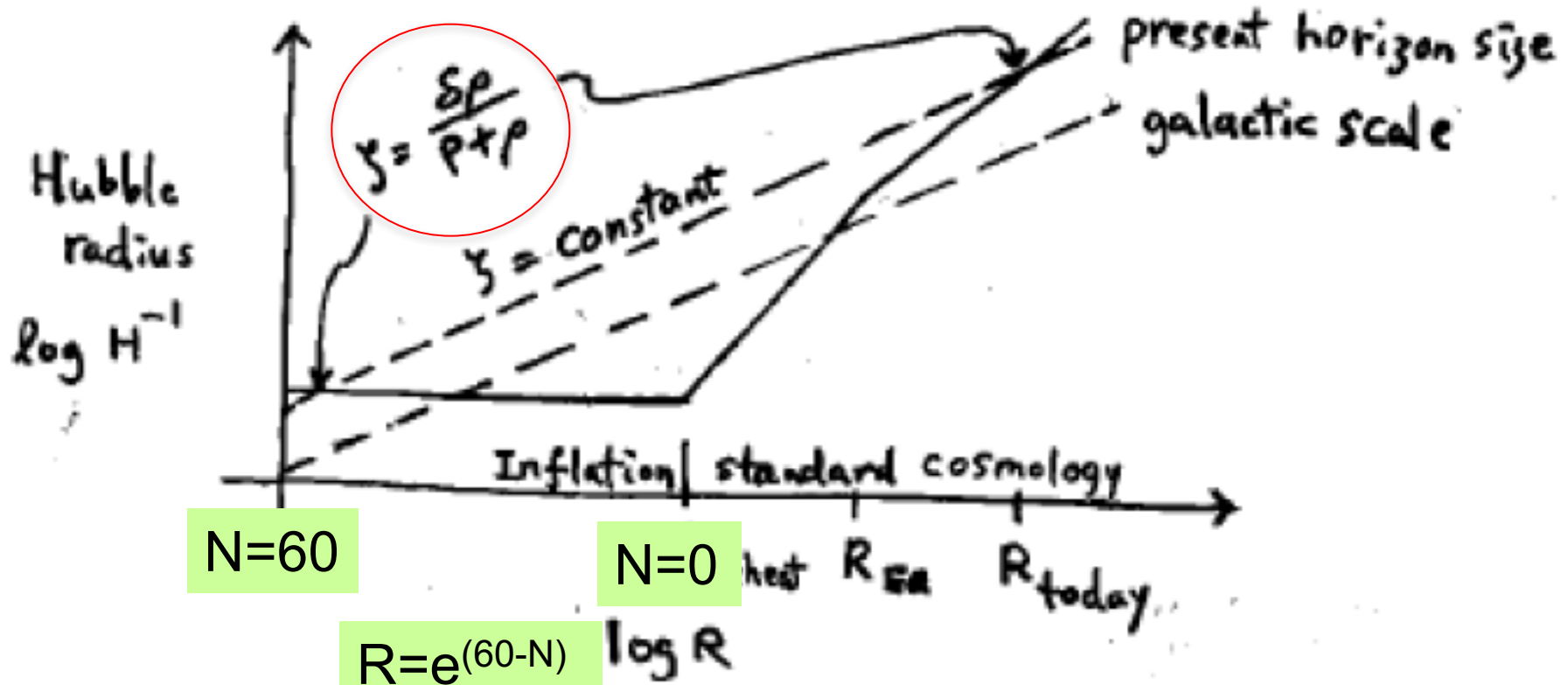
Production of $10\text{-}100M_{\odot}$ PBHs

Curvature perturbation $P_R = \Delta_{\zeta}^2 = \langle \zeta \zeta \rangle = (\delta\rho/\rho)^2$



Production of PBHs in inflation

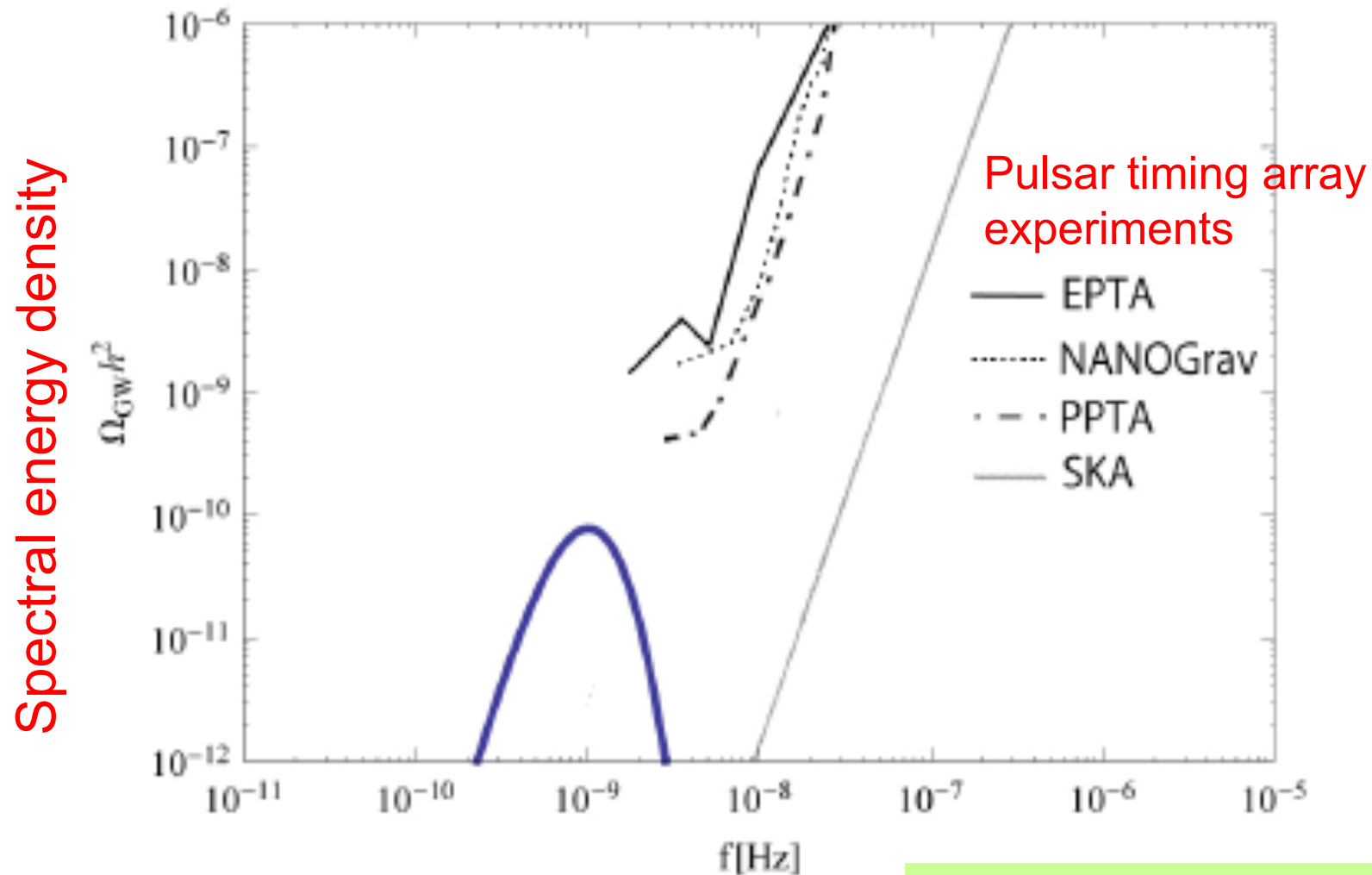
Evolution of cosmological density perturbation



$$M_{\text{BH}} = \frac{4\pi M_p^2}{H} e^{2N} = 2.74 \times 10^{-38} e^{2N} \left(\frac{M_p}{H} \right) M_{\odot}$$

N is e-foldings
before the end
of inflation

Associated Chiral Gravitational Waves in Axion Inflation



$$\left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \eta^2} + \frac{2}{a} \frac{da}{d\eta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta} - \vec{\nabla}^2 \right] h_{ij} = \frac{2a^2}{M_p^2} (-E_i E_j - B_i B_j)^{TT}$$

Transverse traceless part
of photon energy-momentum

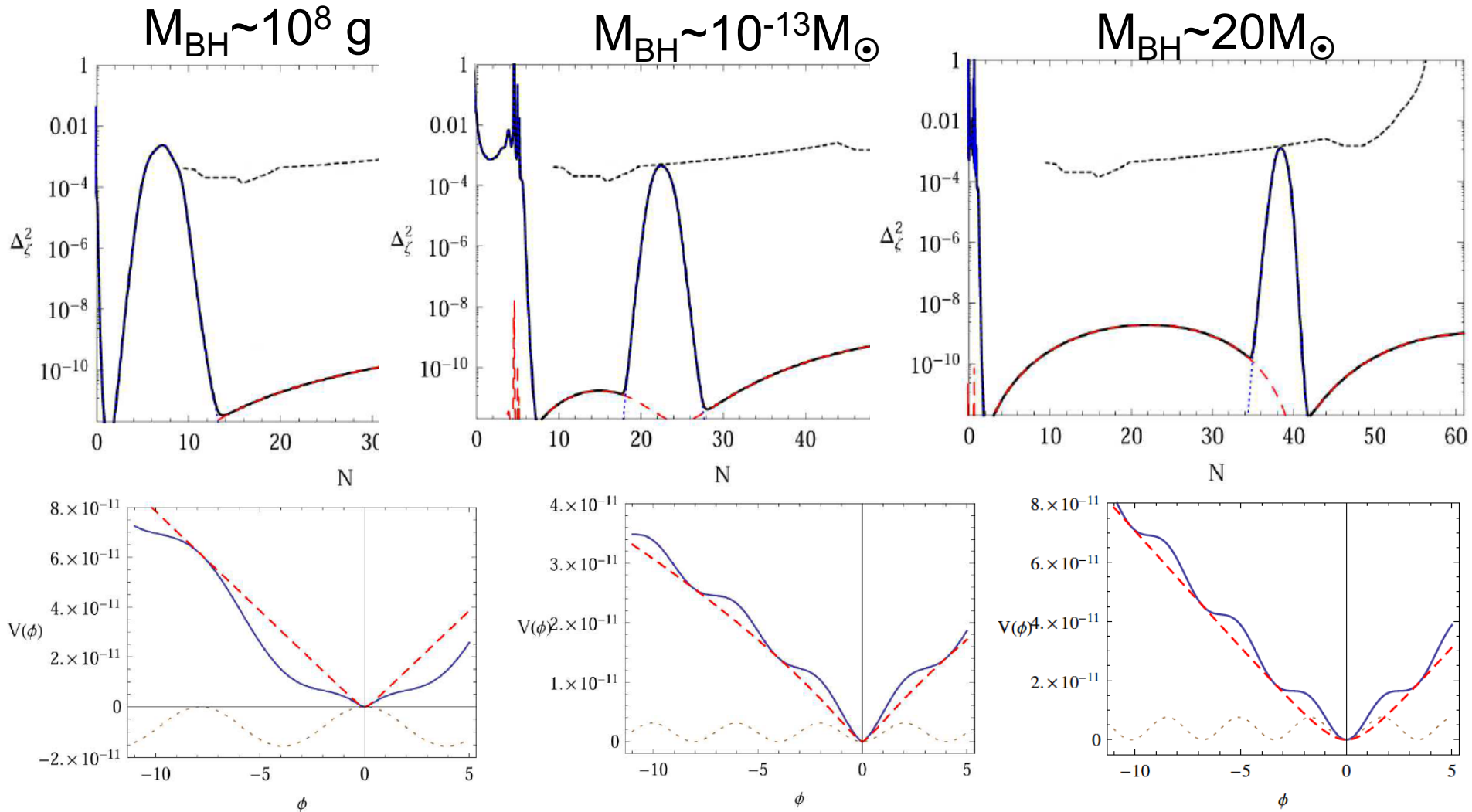
$$\langle \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{E} \rangle \sim \langle \mathbf{E} \cdot \mathbf{B} \rangle \sim \zeta$$

Chiral GWs

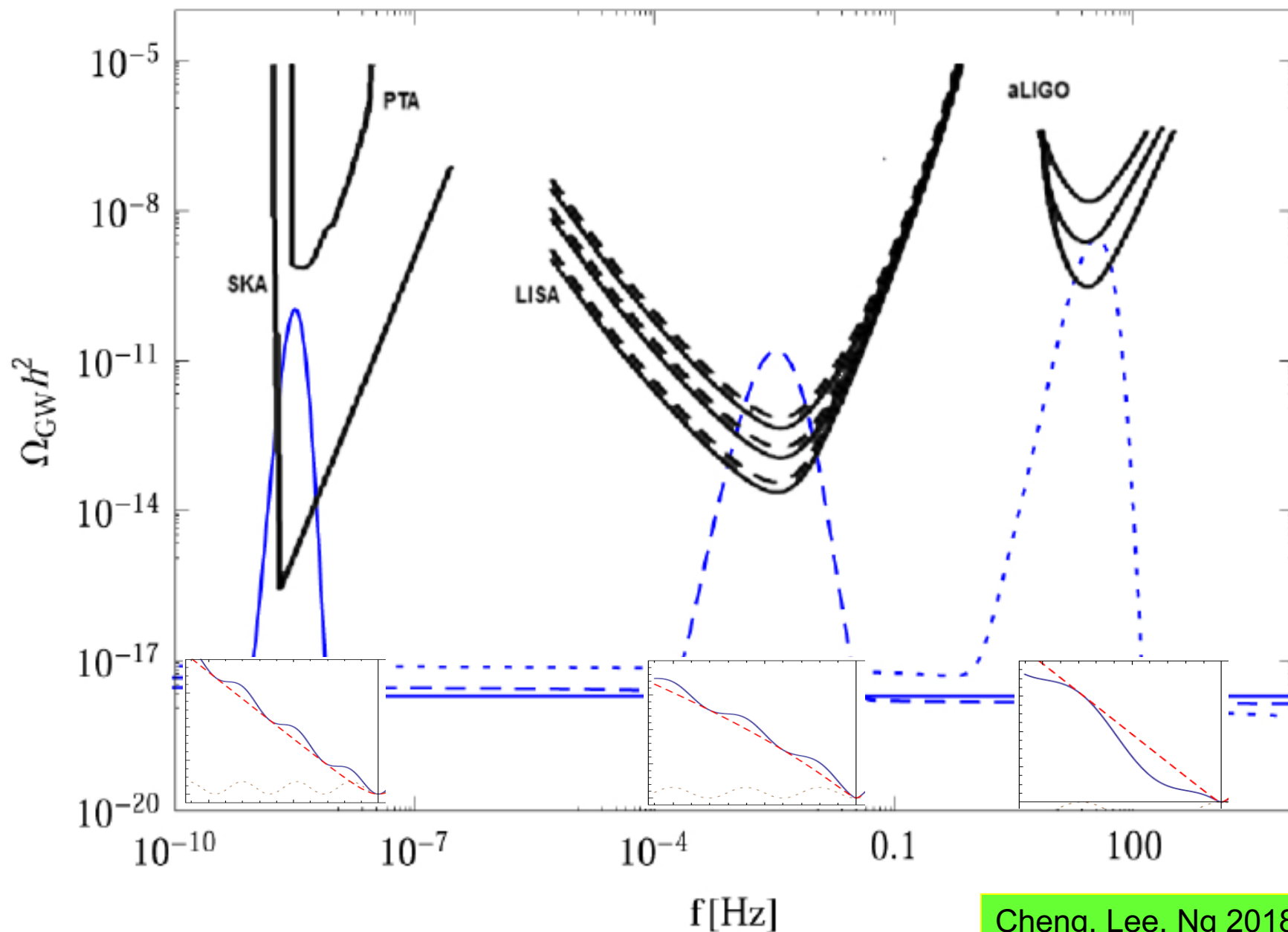
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Chiral photons

Production of PBHs realized in axion monodromy inflation with sinusoidal modulations



Chiral GWs associated with PBHs in modulated axion inflation



GWB Anisotropy and Polarization Angular Power Spectra

Decompose the GWB sky into a sum of spherical harmonics:

$$T(\theta, \varphi) = \sum_{lm} a_{lm} Y_{lm}(\theta, \varphi), \quad V(\theta, \varphi) = \sum_{lm} b_{lm} Y_{lm}(\theta, \varphi)$$

$$(Q - iU)(\theta, \varphi) = \sum_{lm} a_{4,lm} Y_{4,lm}(\theta, \varphi)$$

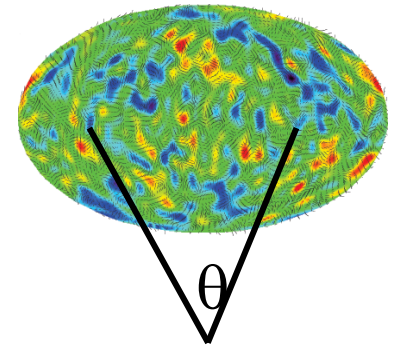
$$(Q + iU)(\theta, \varphi) = \sum_{lm} a_{-4,lm} Y_{-4,lm}(\theta, \varphi)$$

$$C_1^T = \sum_m (a_{lm}^* a_{lm}) \quad \text{anisotropy power spectrum}$$

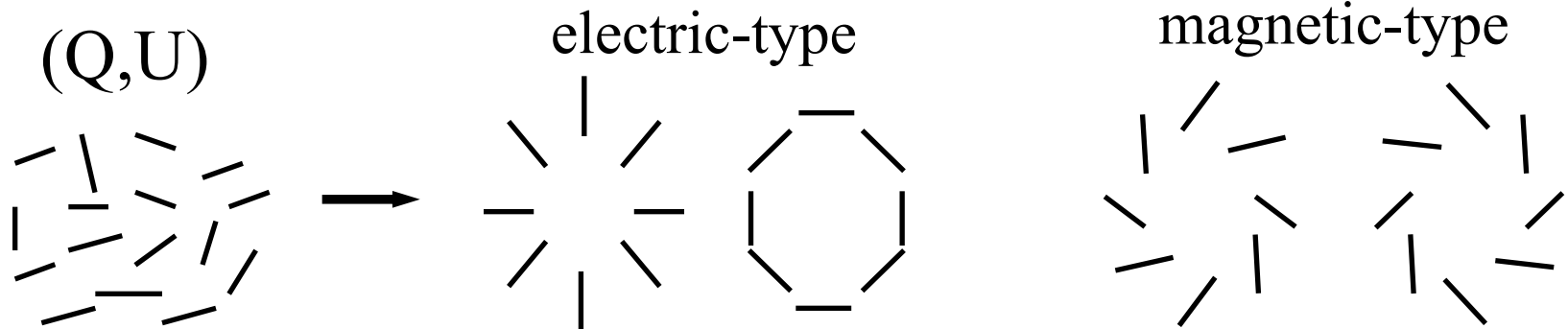
$$C_1^V = \sum_m (b_{lm}^* b_{lm}) \quad \text{circular polarization power spectrum}$$

$$C_1^E = \sum_m (a_{4,lm}^* a_{4,lm} + a_{-4,lm}^* a_{-4,lm}) \quad \text{E-polarization power spectrum}$$

$$C_1^B = \sum_m (a_{4,lm}^* a_{4,lm} - a_{-4,lm}^* a_{-4,lm}) \quad \text{B-polarization power spectrum}$$



$l = 180 \text{ degrees} / \theta$



Current gravitational-wave detectors

LIGO-Hanford



KAGRA



LIGO-
Virgo-
KAGRA
Collaboration

Virgo



LIGO-Livingston



ASIOP has joined
LIGO and KAGRA

Concluding remarks

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Parity symmetry is broken in sub-atomic world - weak interaction is left-handed

- Is there any parity violation in the cosmos on the sky?

CMB polarization, chiral GWs

- Search for Cosmic Parity Violation via axions