



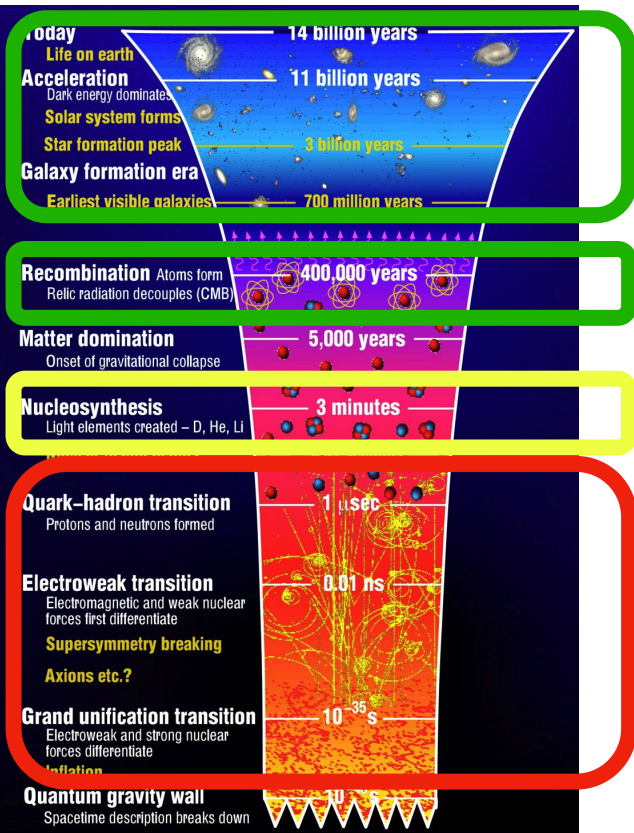
Dark Sector Insights with Upcoming CMB Observations

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History of the Universe



Direct Observations

Indirect Sensitivity

Discovery Space

Cosmology describes 13.8 billion years of cosmic history

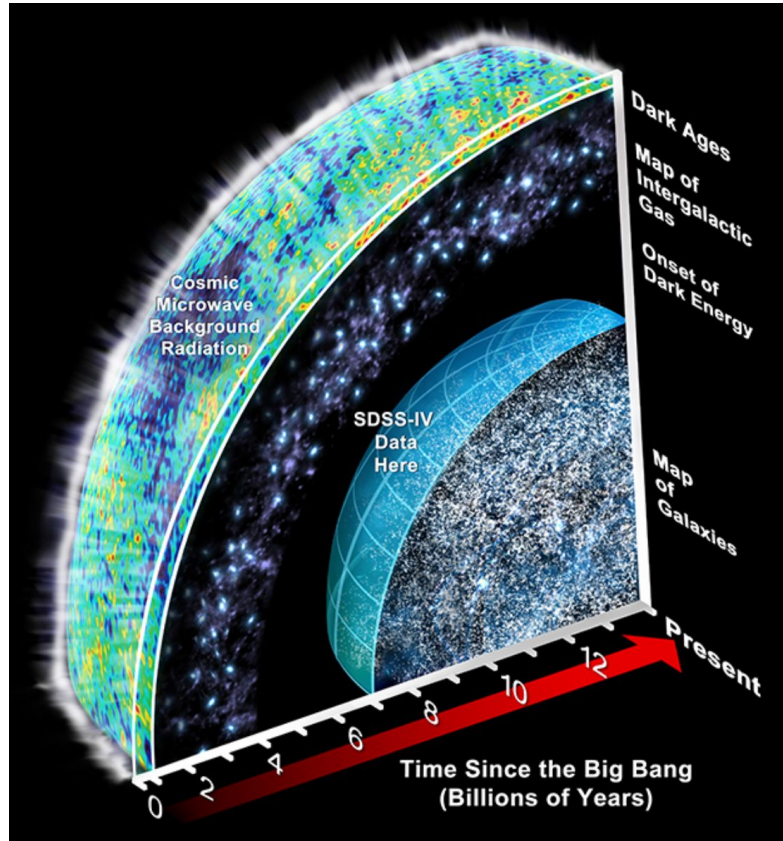
Direct observations are limited to a relatively small range of redshifts and energy scales

Future surveys will create new opportunities for insights into much higher energies and earlier times

A night sky filled with stars, with the Milky Way galaxy visible as a bright, colorful band of light stretching across the upper half of the frame. In the lower foreground, the metal structure of a radio telescope is visible, partially illuminated. The overall scene is dark, with the stars and galaxy providing the primary light source.

Review of CMB Basics

The Cosmic Microwave Background



Cosmic Microwave Background (CMB) Spectrum

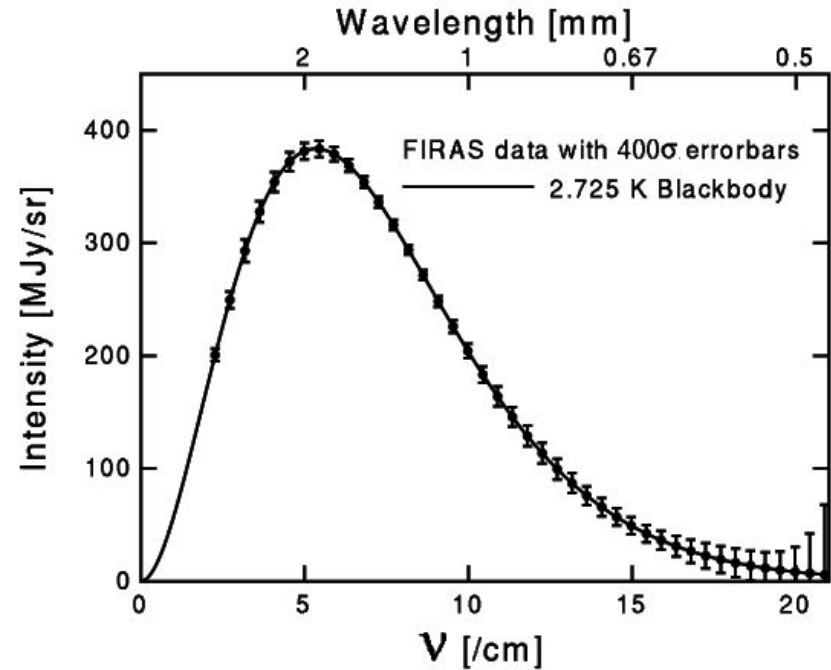
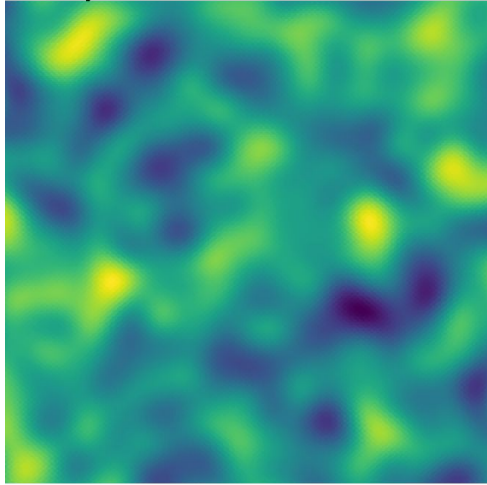


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Information In The Cosmic Microwave Background

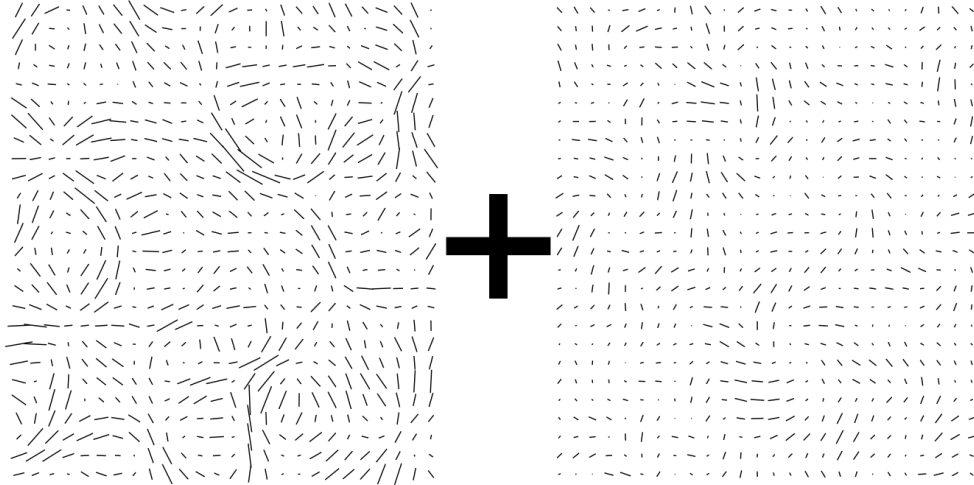
The CMB provides a snapshot of the universe as it existed during recombination

Temperature ~ distribution



T

Polarization ~ motion

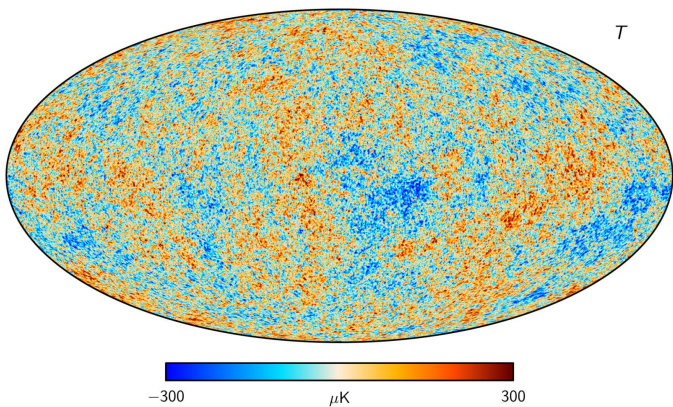


E

B

...plus the imprints of the structure between us and the last scattering surface.

Statistical Information and Angular Power Spectra



Variance

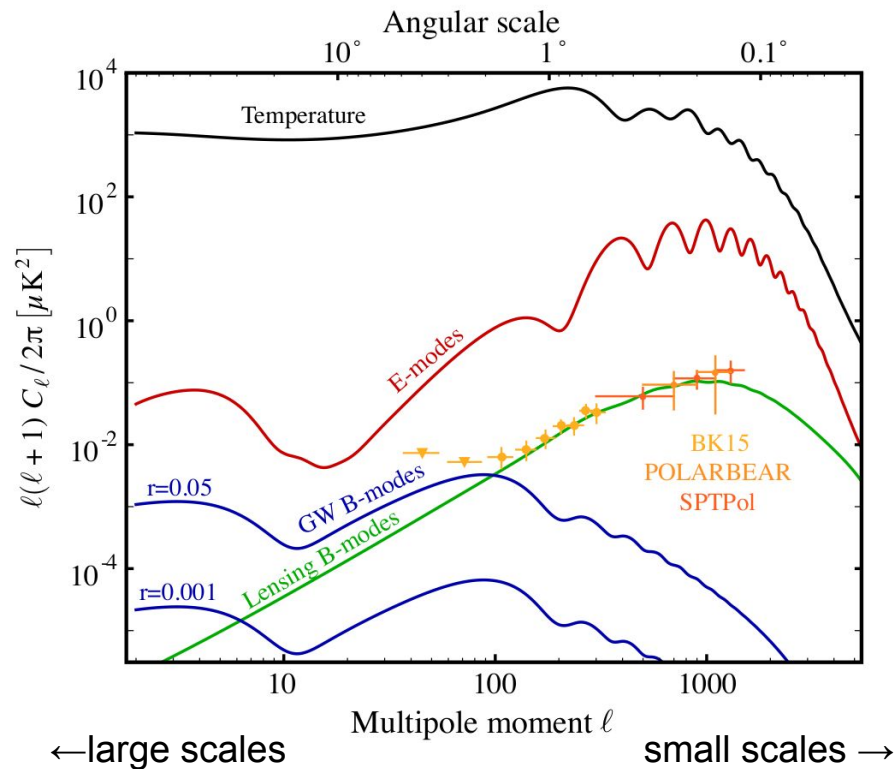
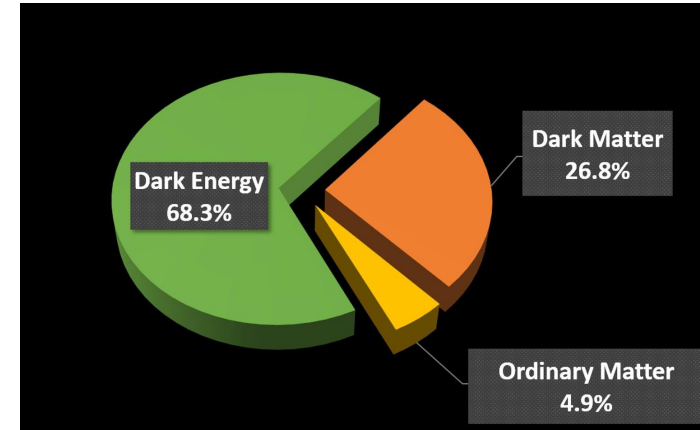
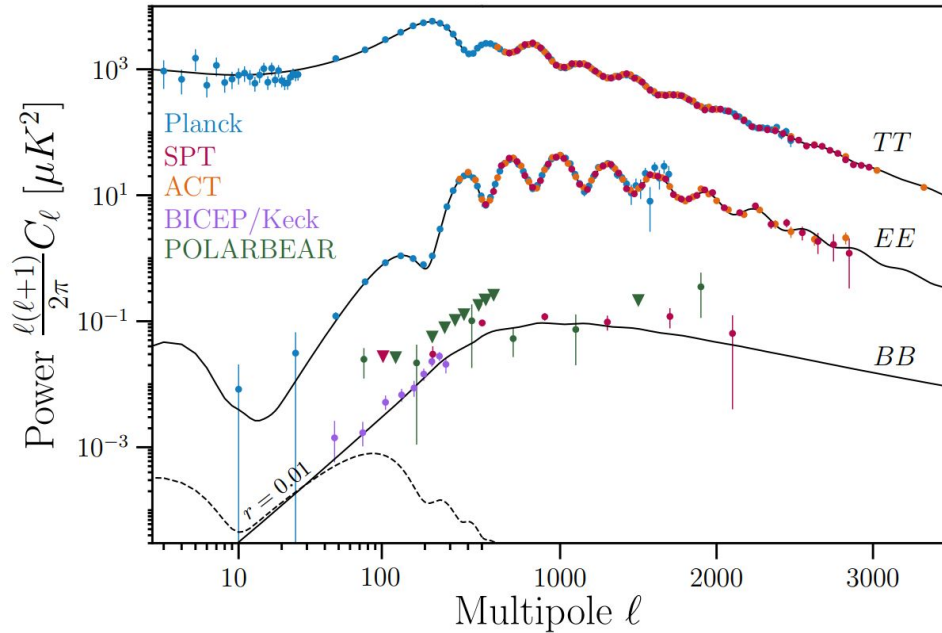
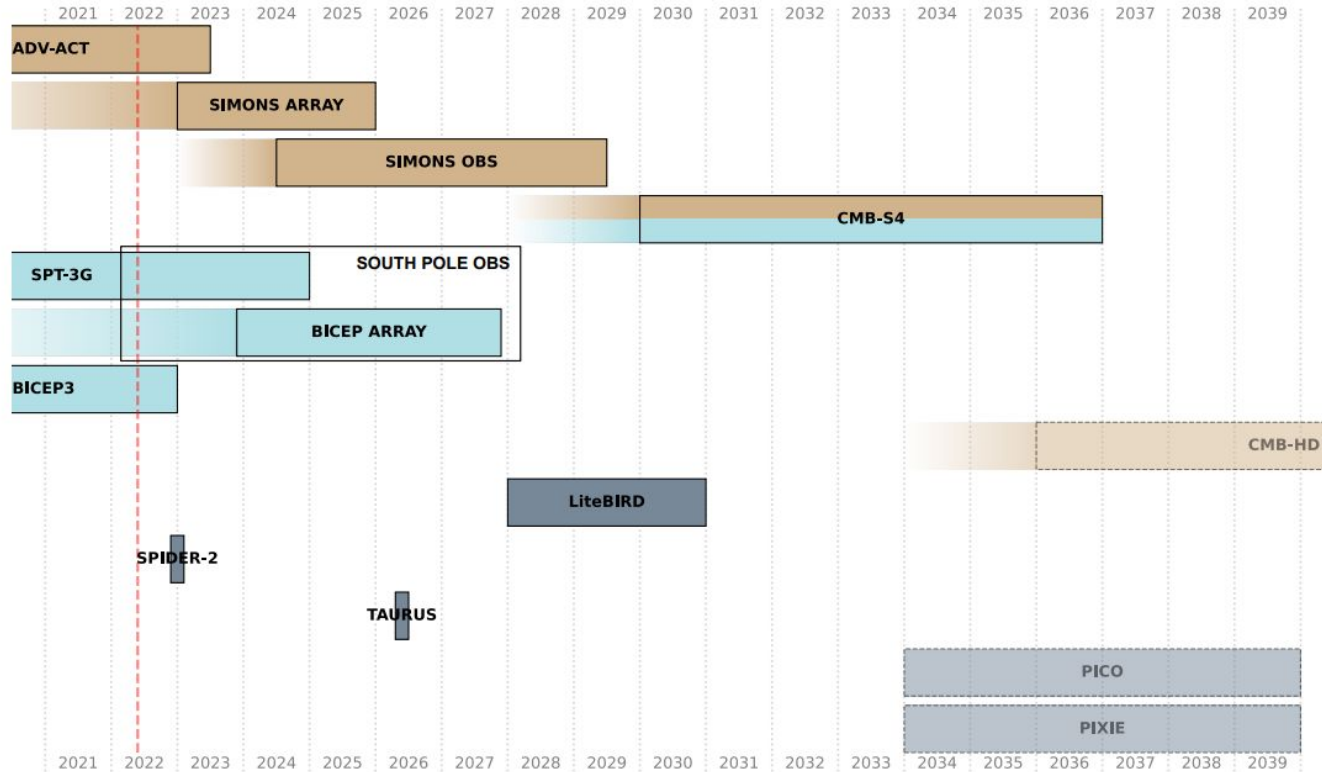


Image Credits: Planck (2018); CMB-S4 (2019)

CMB Observations and Concordance Flat Λ CDM



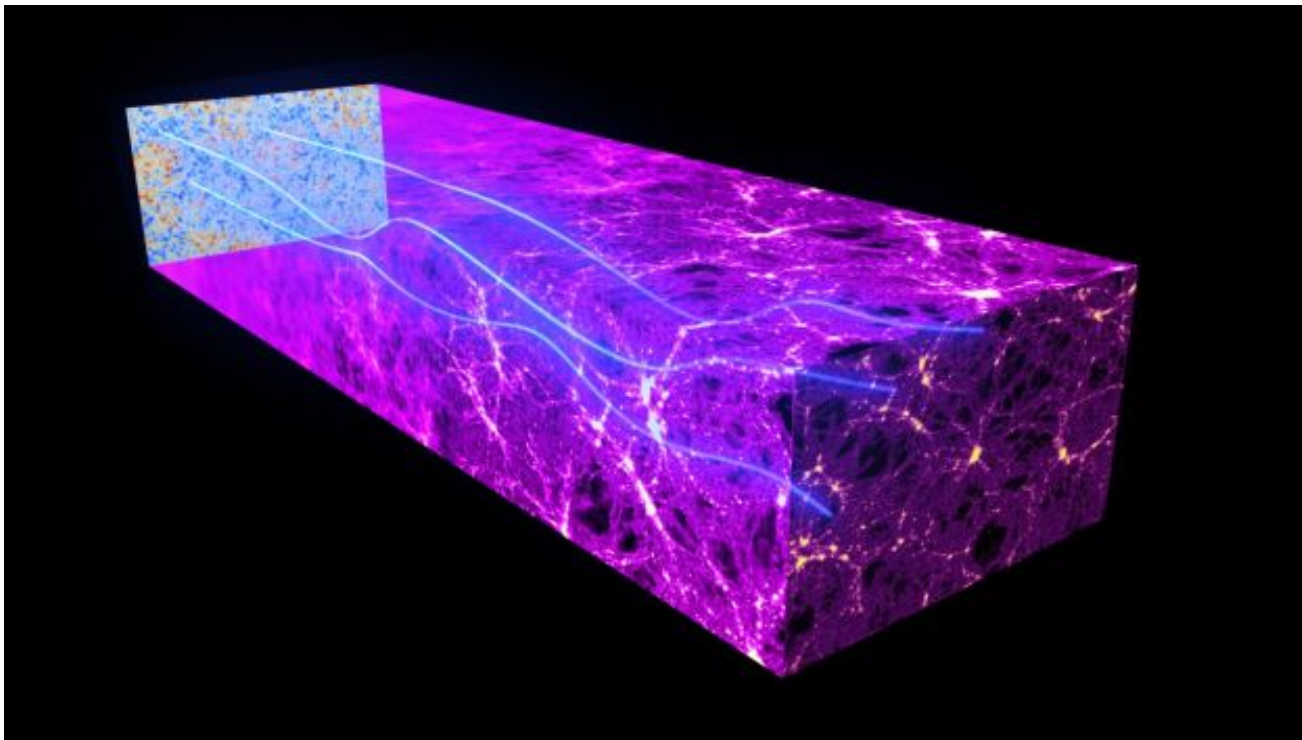
Timeline of Upcoming CMB Surveys



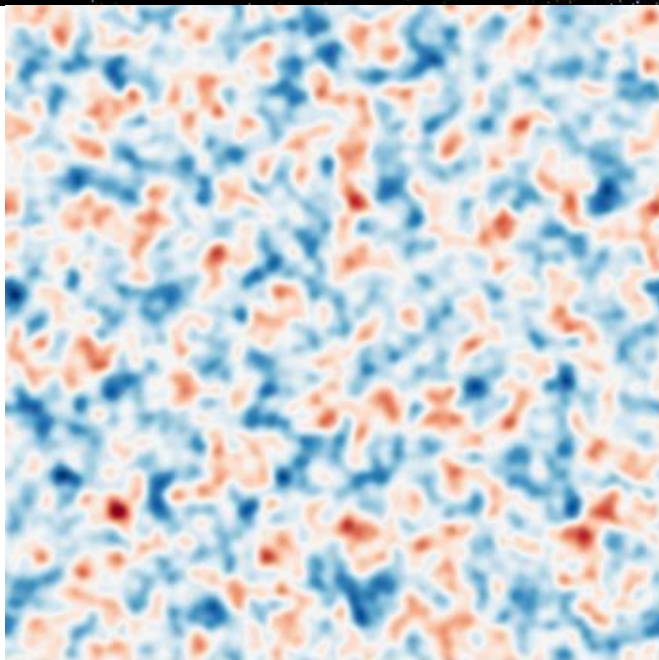
Gravitational Lensing of the CMB



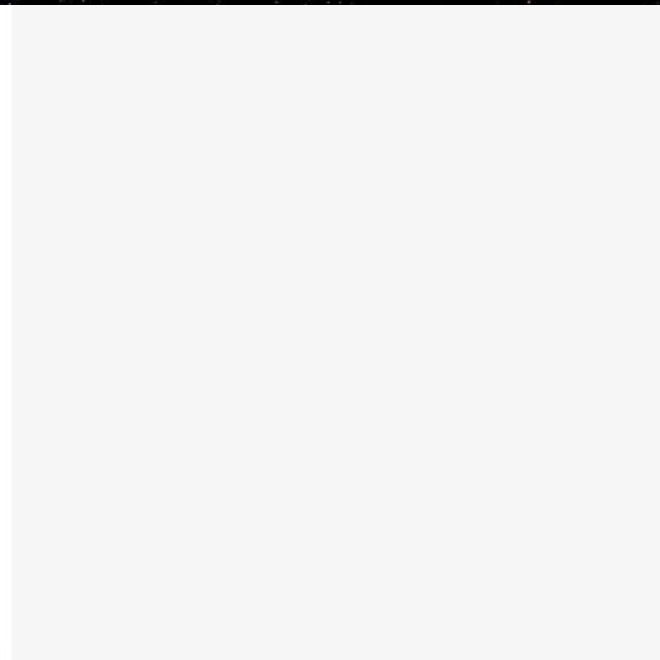
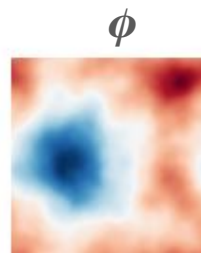
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Unlensed CMB Polarization



Unlensed E

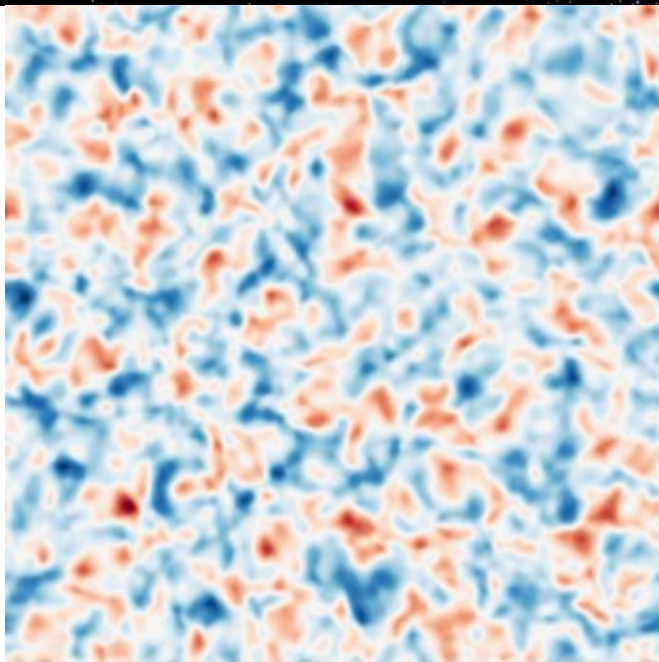


Unlensed B

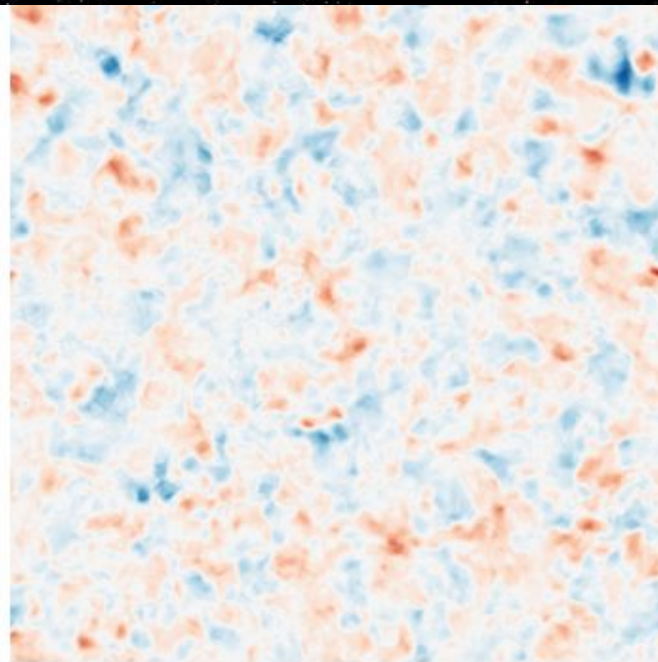
5° × 5° simulated maps

Image Credit: Guzman

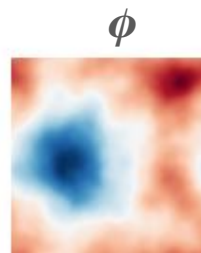
Lensed CMB Polarization



Lensed E



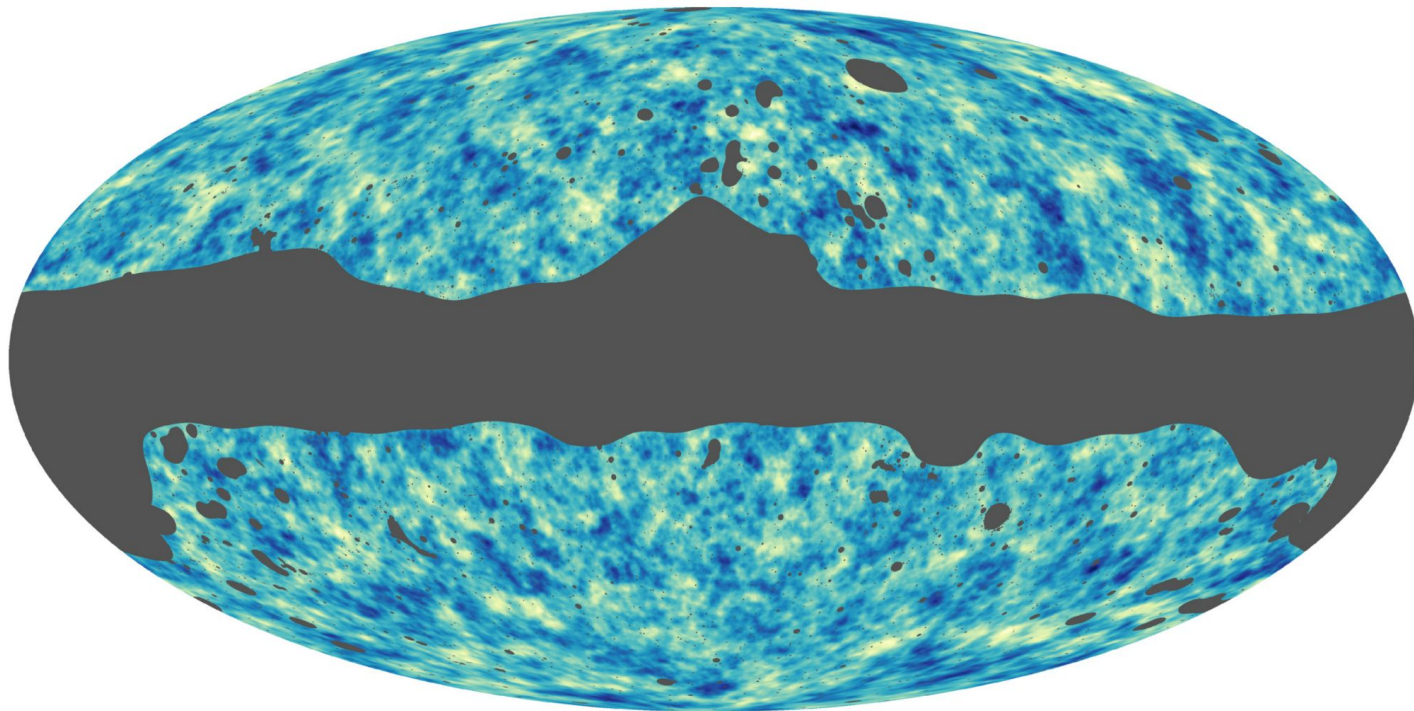
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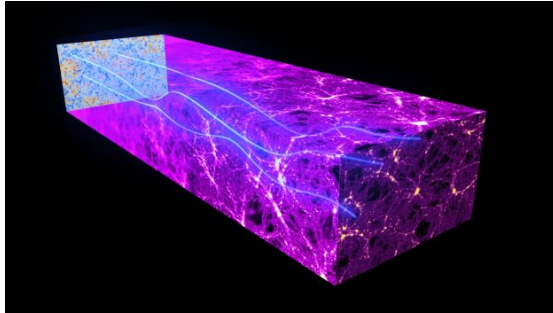
CMB Lensing Reconstruction



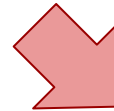
40σ observation

Planck (2018)

CMB Lensing is a Blessing and a Curse



CMB lensing field is sensitive to growth of cosmological structure



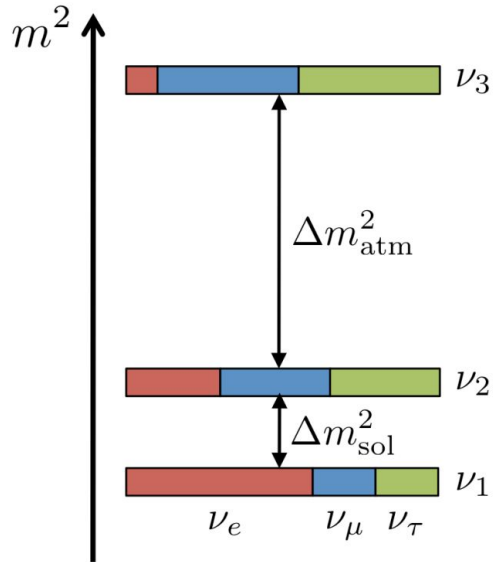
Lensing distortion hinders pristine view of CMB last scattering surface

A night sky filled with stars, with the Milky Way galaxy visible as a bright, colorful band of light stretching across the upper half of the frame. In the lower foreground, the dark, skeletal metal structure of a large astronomical telescope is visible, partially obscuring the stars below. The overall scene is a deep blue and purple, typical of a clear night sky.

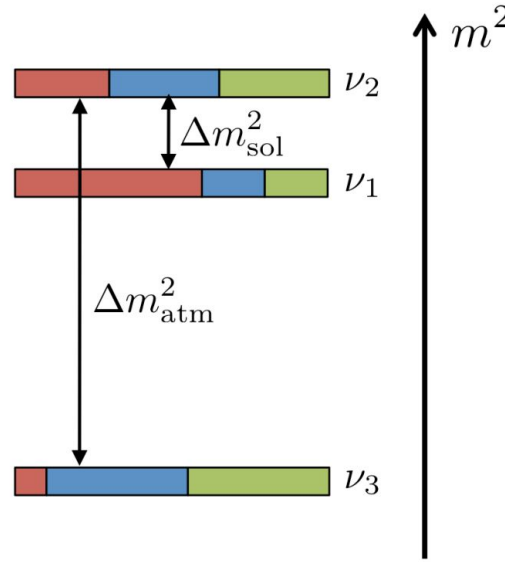
Cosmic Neutrinos

Massive Cosmic Neutrinos

normal hierarchy (NH)



inverted hierarchy (IH)



Cosmology is sensitive to the gravitational effects of the cosmic neutrino background, allowing a measurement of a sum of neutrino masses

Current Planck 2018 constraint:

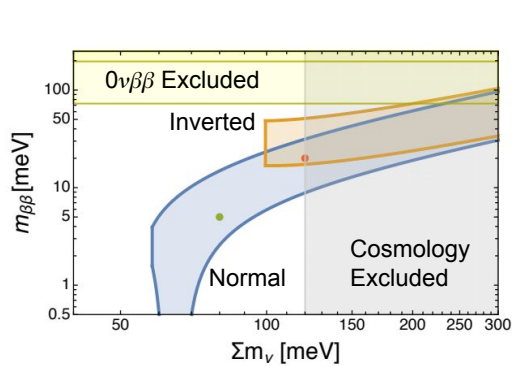
$$\sum m_\nu < 120 \text{ meV (95\% CL)}$$

$$\sum m_\nu \gtrsim 58 \text{ meV}$$

$$\sum m_\nu \gtrsim 105 \text{ meV}$$

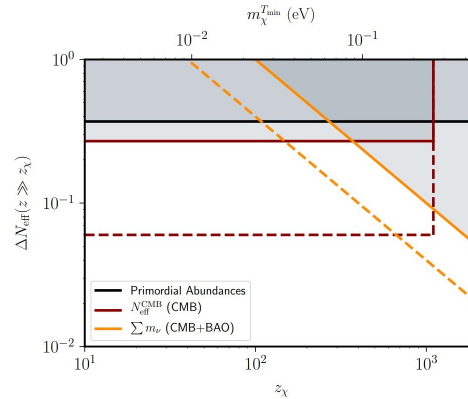
Super-Kamiokande (1999); Sudbury Neutrino Observatory (2001); CMB-S4 (2016)

Value of Cosmological Neutrino Mass Measurement



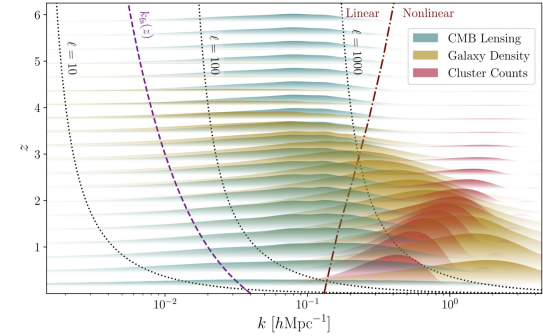
Particle Physics

- Absolute neutrino mass scale sets a target for **complementary lab-based searches** for neutrino mass



Cosmology

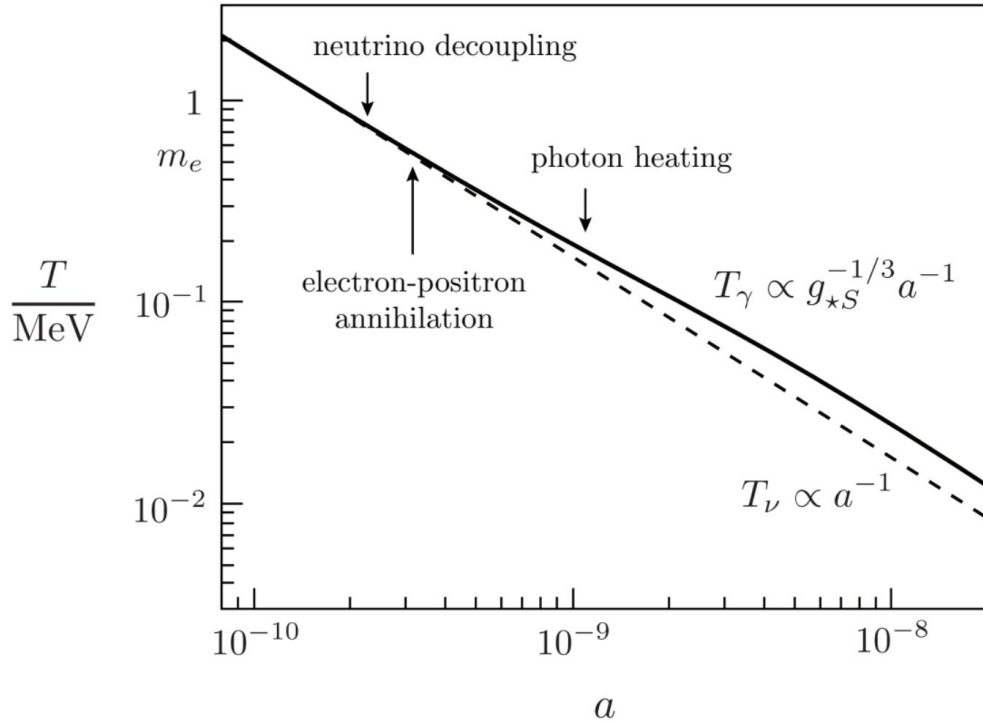
- Provides **end-to-end test of cosmic history** and is sensitive to new massive species (including gravitinos)



Astrophysics

- Multiple probes of matter power allow neutrino mass to be disentangled from **nonlinear and baryonic effects**

Cosmic Neutrino Background



Cosmic neutrinos decoupled from the thermal plasma around 1 MeV, and were then diluted relative to photons by electron-positron annihilation

$$T_\nu = \left(\frac{4}{11}\right)^{1/3} T_\gamma$$

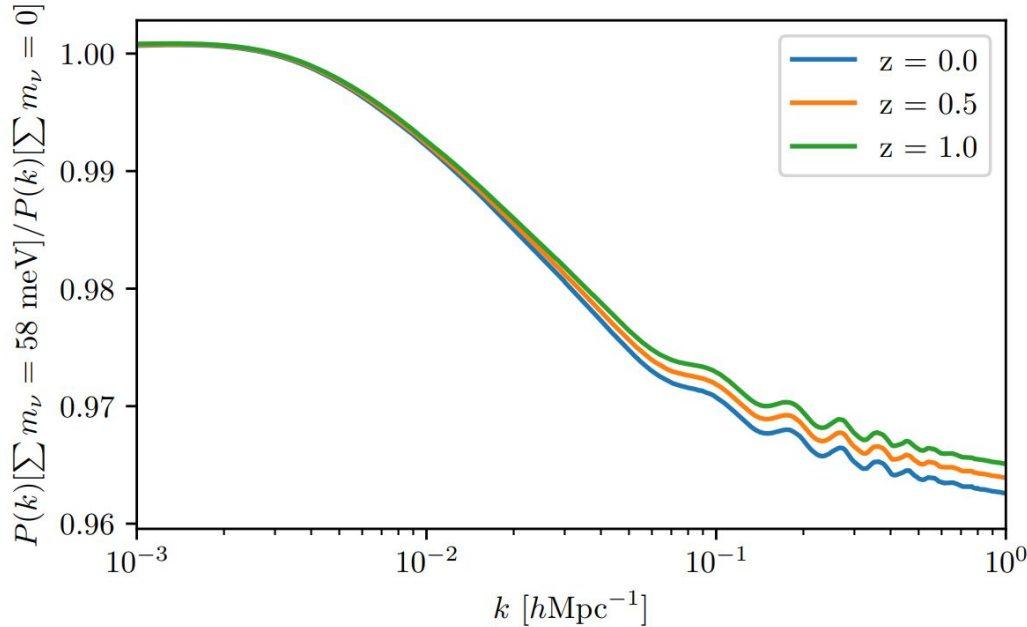
Cosmic neutrino background properties today:

$$\begin{aligned} T_{\nu,0} &= 1.95 \text{ K} \\ &= 1.68 \times 10^{-4} \text{ eV} \end{aligned}$$

$$n_{\nu_i,0} = 112 \text{ cm}^{-3}$$

Cosmic neutrino background provides an **abundance of non-relativistic neutrinos**

Massive Neutrinos Suppress Matter Clustering



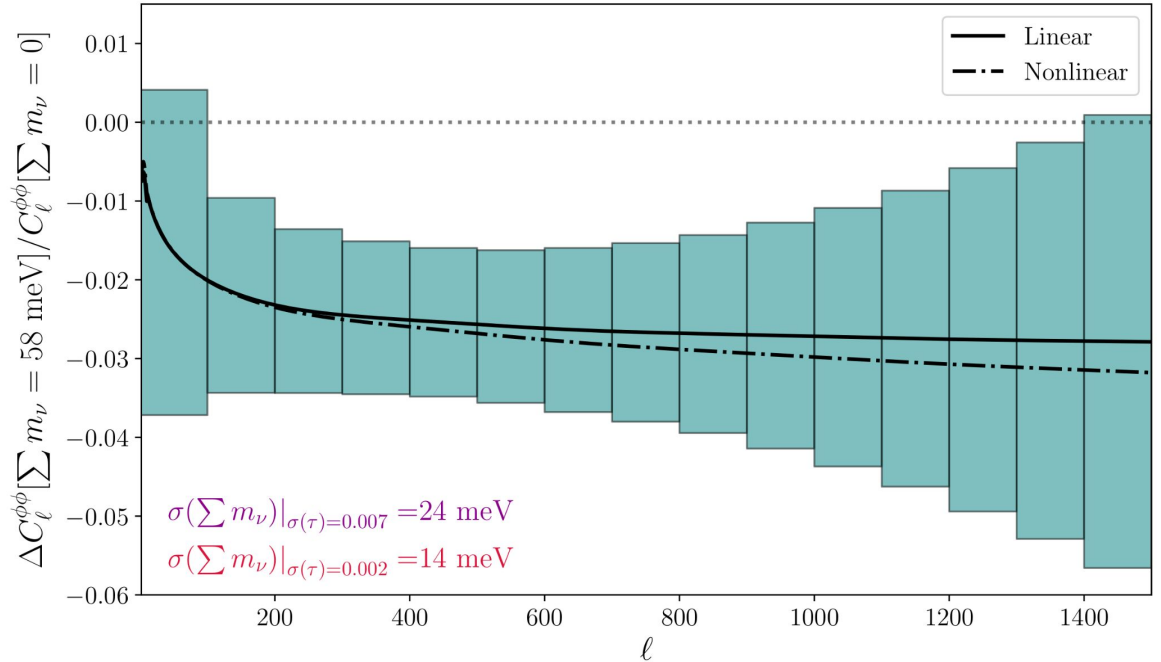
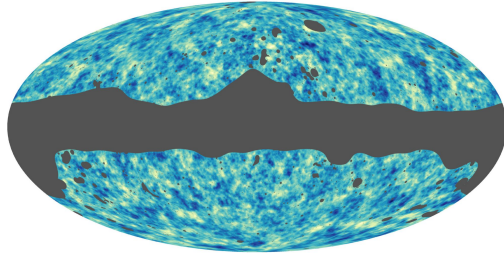
Suppression of matter clustering due to massive neutrinos
($A_s, \Omega_m h^2, \Omega_b h^2, H_0$ fixed)

The large velocities of cosmic neutrinos causes them to free stream out of potential wells and **suppress the growth of structure** on scales smaller than their free-streaming length

$$f_\nu \equiv \frac{\Omega_\nu}{\Omega_m} \simeq 4.3 \times 10^{-3} \left(\frac{\sum m_\nu}{58 \text{ meV}} \right)$$

Hu, Eisenstein, Tegmark (1998); Cooray (1999); Abazajian, et al (2011);
Green, JM (2021); Gerbino, Grohs, Lattanzi, et al (2022)

Neutrino Mass with CMB Lensing



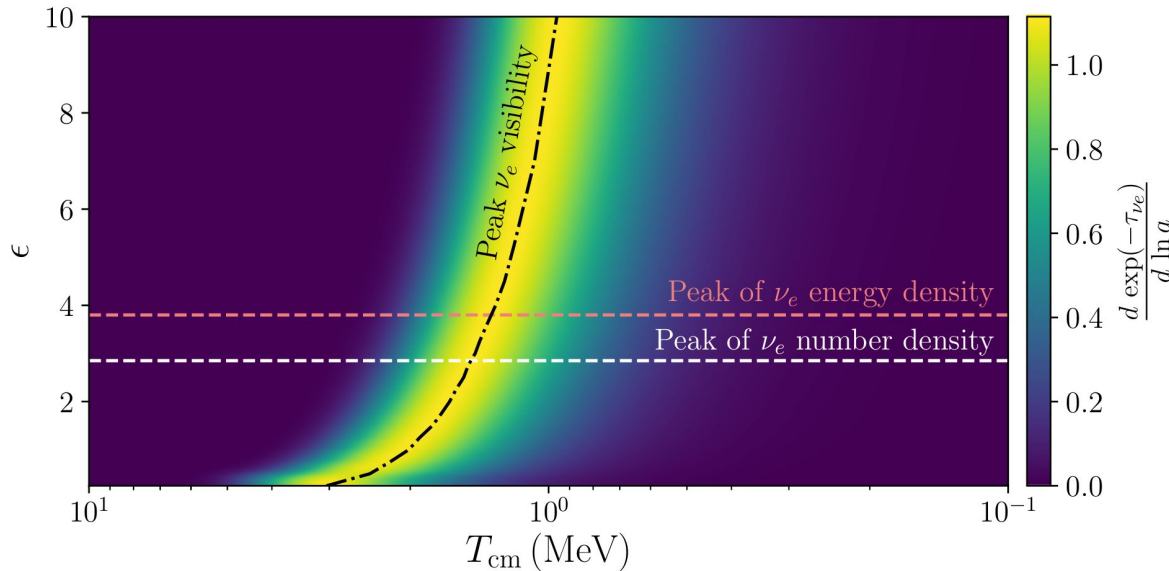
Measuring suppression of clustering with CMB-S4 lensing

A night sky filled with stars, with the Milky Way galaxy visible as a dense band of light. In the foreground, the metal structure of a radio telescope is visible, partially illuminated. The text "Light Relics" is centered in the sky.

Light Relics

Cosmic Neutrinos as Standard Model Light Relics

Neutrino Differential Visibility



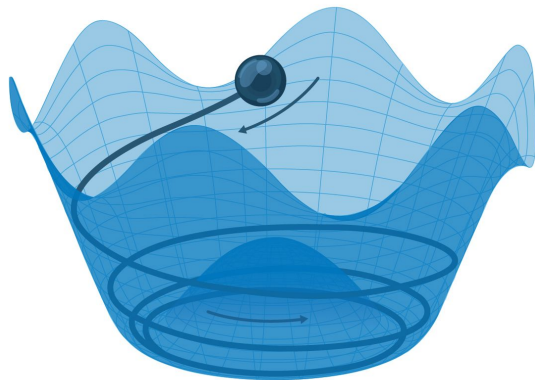
The energy density of the cosmic neutrino background can be calculated precisely, including the effects of non-instantaneous weak decoupling

$$N_{\text{eff}} = \frac{8}{7} \left(\frac{11}{4} \right)^{4/3} \frac{\rho_\nu}{\rho_\gamma}$$

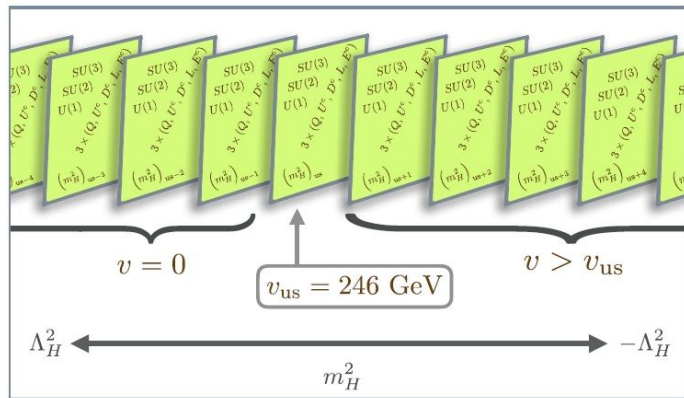
$$N_{\text{eff}}^{\text{SM}} = 3.044(1)$$

Escudero Abenza (2020); Akita, Yamaguchi (2020); Froustey, Pitrou, Volpe (2020); Bennett, et al (2021); Bond, Fuller, Grohs, JM, Wilson (In Prep.)

New Light Species are Ubiquitous in Standard Model Extensions



Axions and Axion-Like Particles



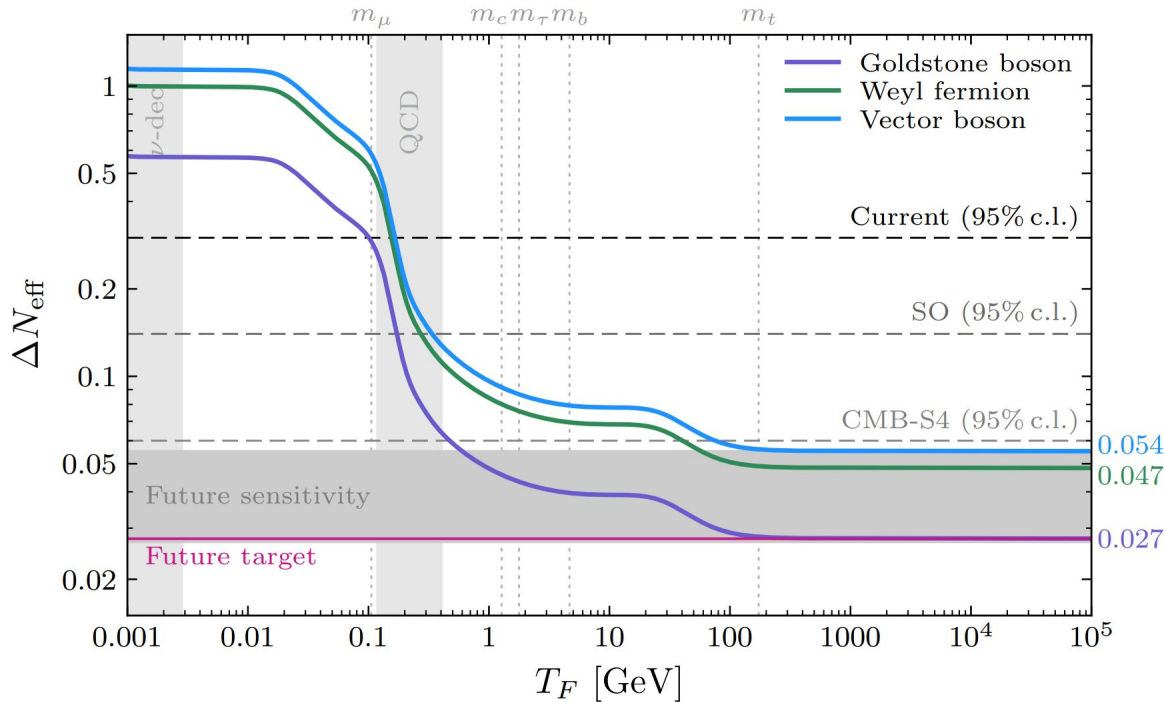
Complex Dark Sectors



Sterile Neutrinos

... and many more

Light Thermal Relics Set Useful Targets

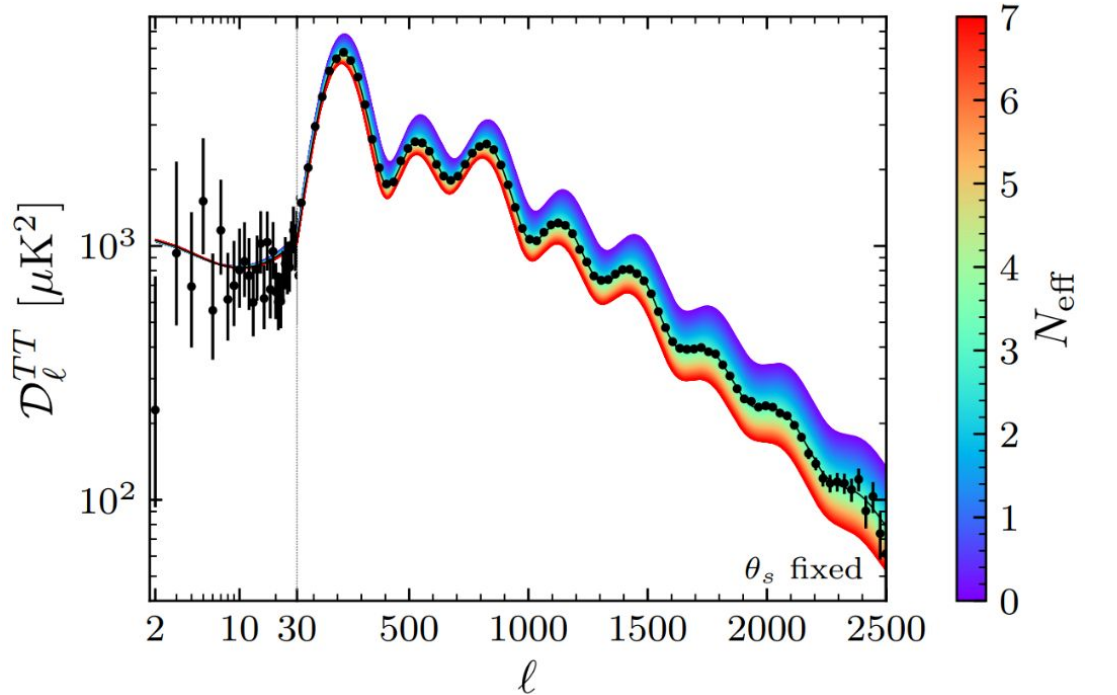


The relic density of any new light species that was ever in thermal equilibrium with the Standard Model plasma can be computed from its spin and decoupling temperature, setting **clear targets** for future surveys

Freeze-out occurs when production rate falls below Hubble rate

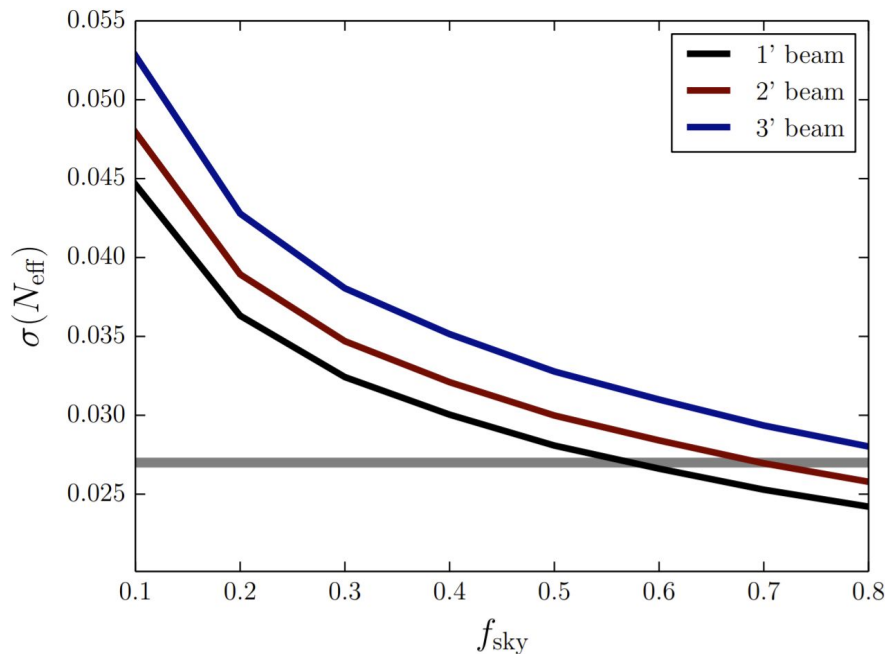
$$\Gamma \sim \frac{T^{2n+1}}{\Lambda^n} \quad H \sim \frac{T^2}{M_{\text{pl}}}$$

Light Relics Affect CMB Damping Scale



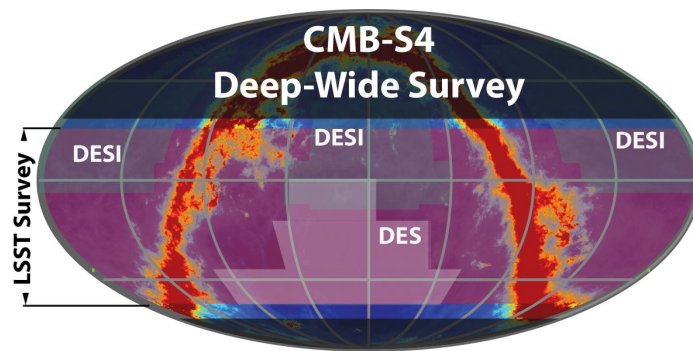
The **mean density** of light relics affects the expansion rate in the early universe and therefore impacts the **damping scale** of CMB anisotropies

Light Relics Measurements Favor Wide Surveys



Forecasted errors at fixed effort,
normalized to $1\mu\text{K-arcmin}$ at $f_{\text{sky}}=0.4$

Light relics are best measured with the CMB damping tail, meaning that at fixed effort, more unique modes are available in a wide survey compared to a deep survey - we designed the CMB-S4 wide survey scan strategy to **maximize sky coverage** in order meet our target for light relics

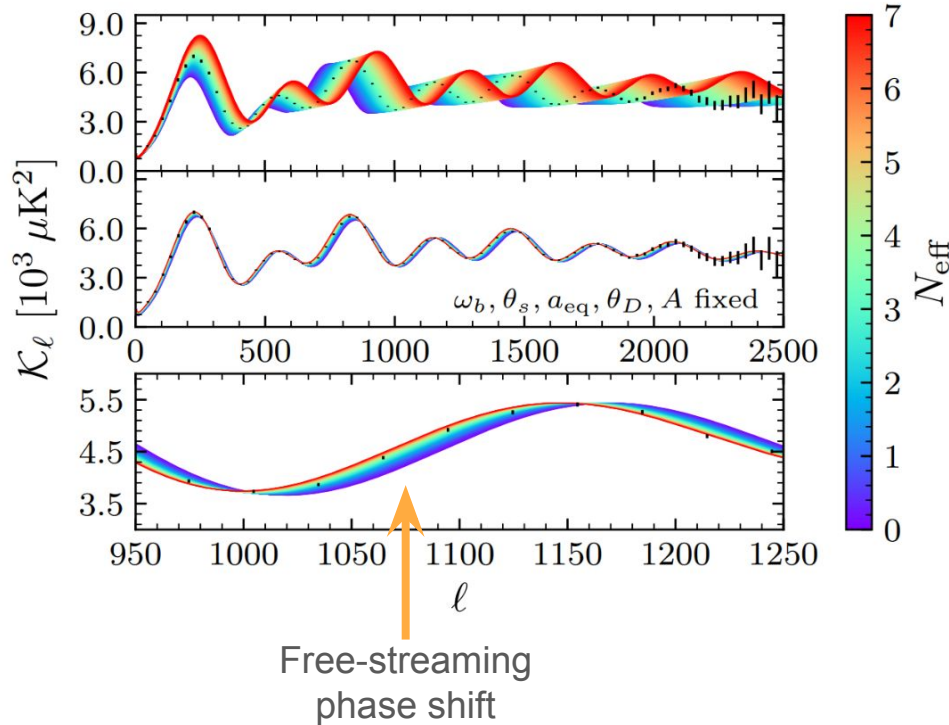


CMB-S4 (2016); CMB-S4 (2019)

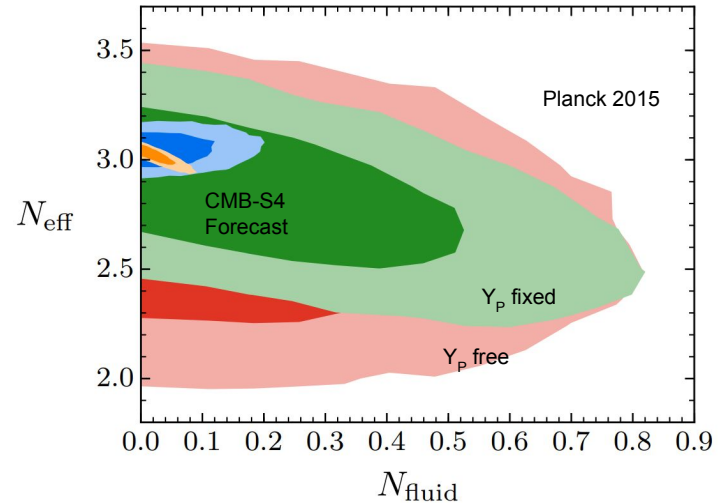
The Benefits of CMB Delensing

A night sky filled with stars and the Milky Way galaxy, with a radio telescope structure visible in the foreground. The telescope is a large, circular structure with a complex metal frame and a white interior. The sky is dark with a dense field of stars, and the Milky Way is visible as a bright, colorful band of light stretching across the upper half of the image.

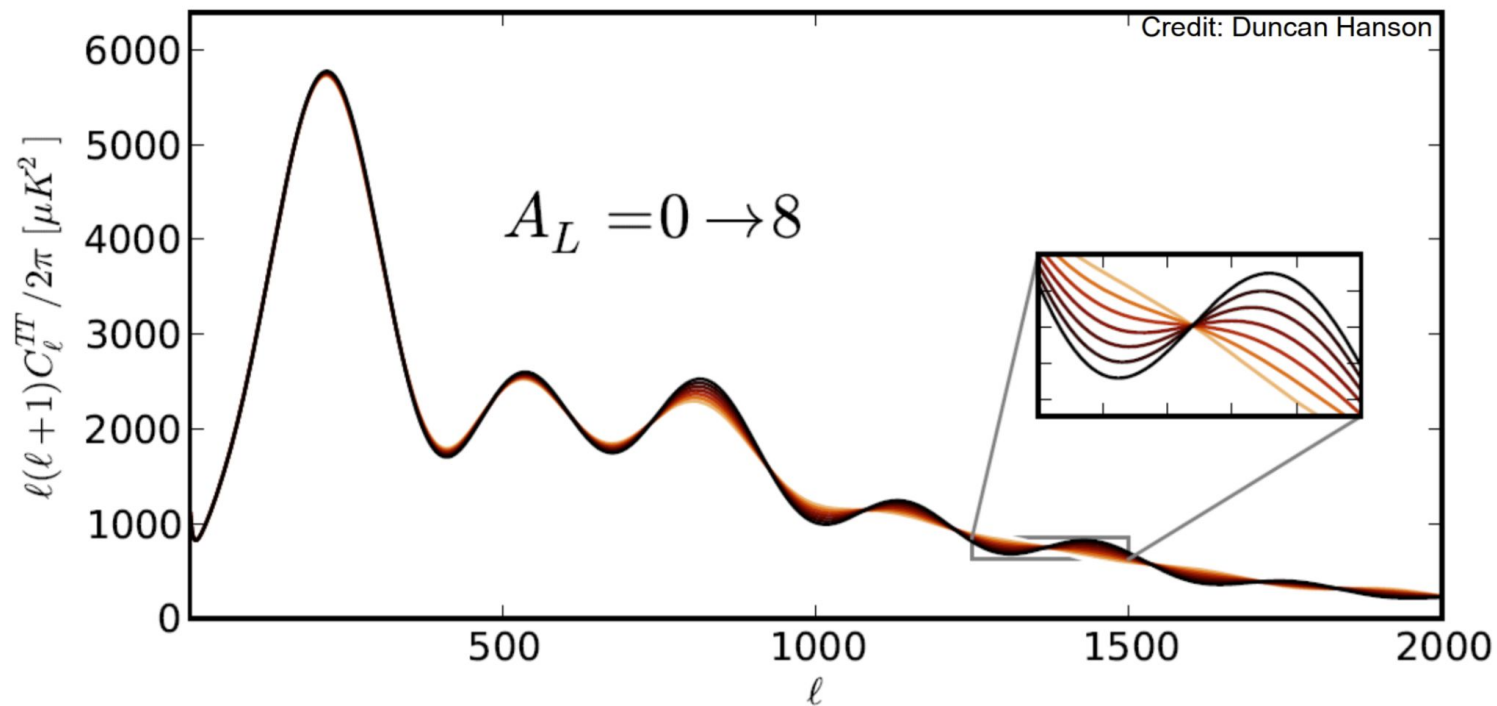
Free-Streaming Light Relics and the Phase Shift



Fluctuations in the density of free-streaming light relics leads to a phase shift of the CMB acoustic peaks, allowing them to be distinguished from fluid-like radiation

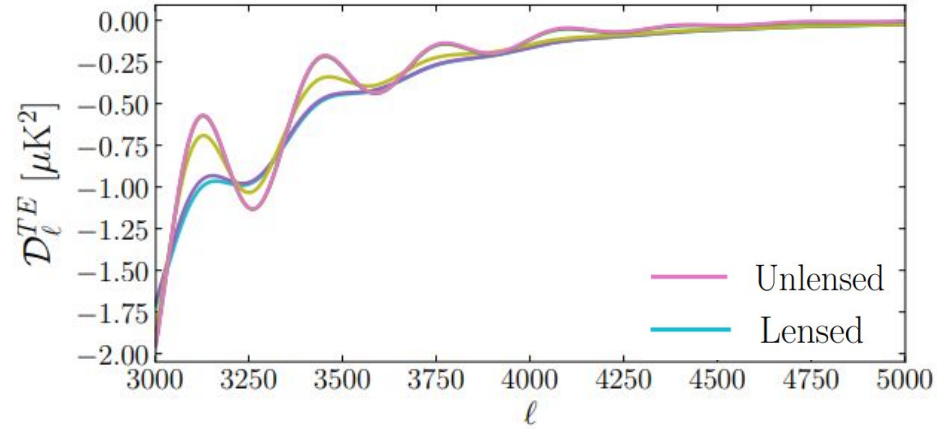
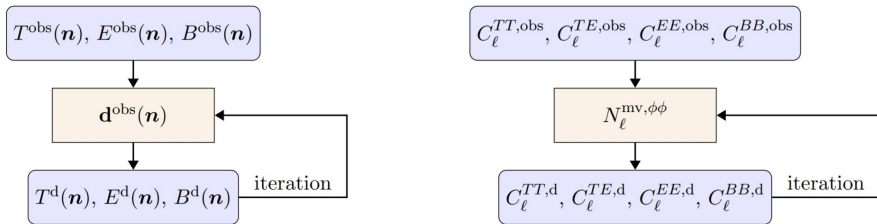


Gravitational Lensing Smooths Acoustic Peaks



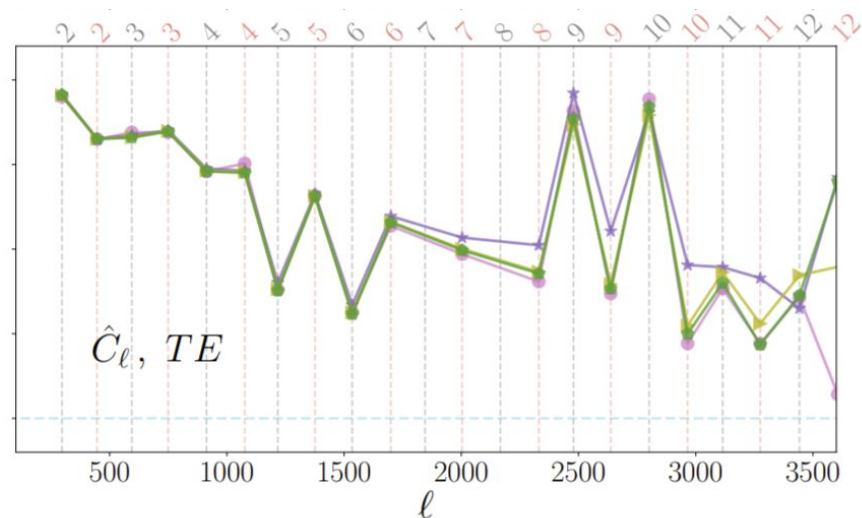
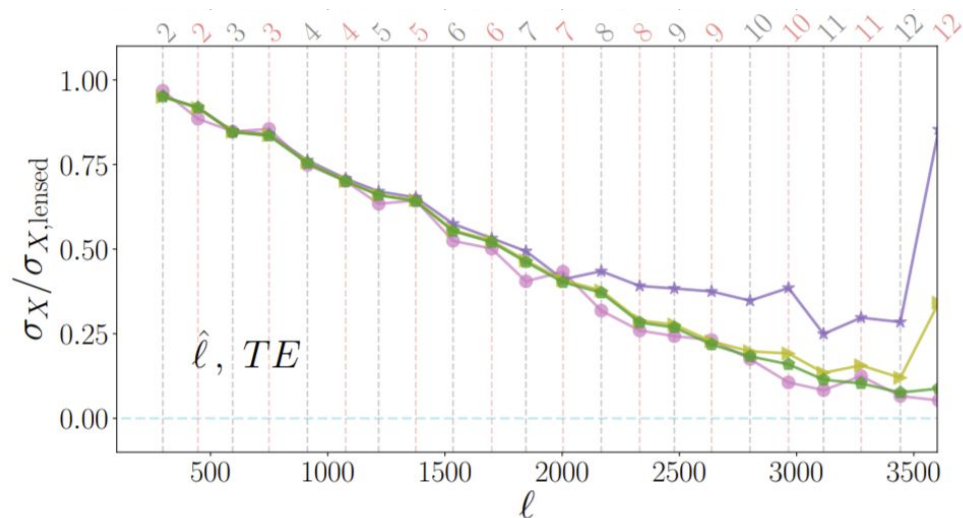
CMB Delensing

- The reconstructed lensing map can be used to reverse lensing effects on the CMB
- We showed that **delensing is valuable for temperature and E modes** as well as for B modes, and we developed a technique to self-consistently forecast iterative delensing of all CMB spectra



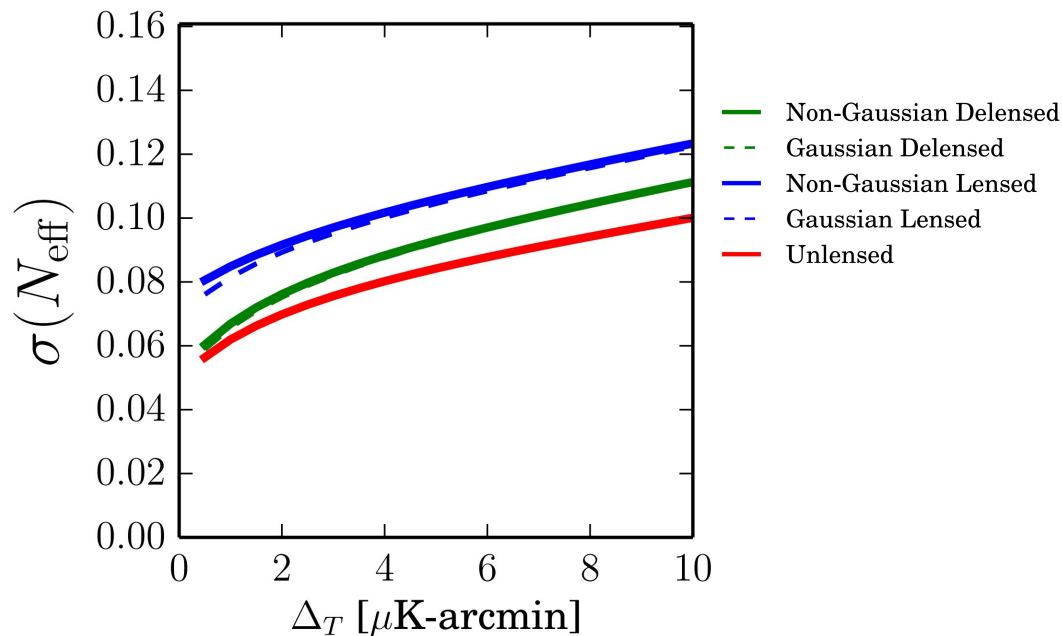
Label	Δ_T ($\mu\text{K}\cdot\text{arcmin}$)	θ_{FWHM} (arcmin)	Color
Experiment A	5	1.4	Purple
Experiment B	1	1.4	Yellow
Experiment C	0.1	0.1	Green

Sharper Delensed Peaks Can Be Better Localized



Unlensed —●— Experiment B Delensed —▶—
 Experiment A Delensed —★— Experiment C Delensed —◆—

Delensing Enables Tighter Parameter Constraints



- Delensing improves the constraining power for parameters that impact primary spectra, and in particular **enhances our ability to measure the light relic density**
- Delensing also improves constraints on primordial isocurvature and primordial non-Gaussianity

The Broad Value of Delensing

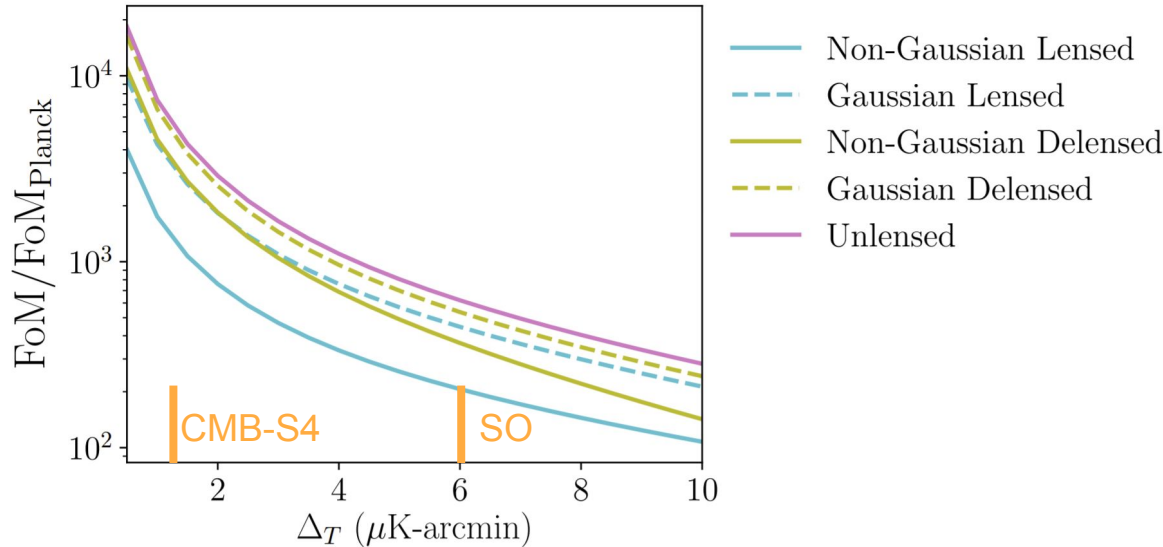


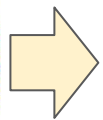
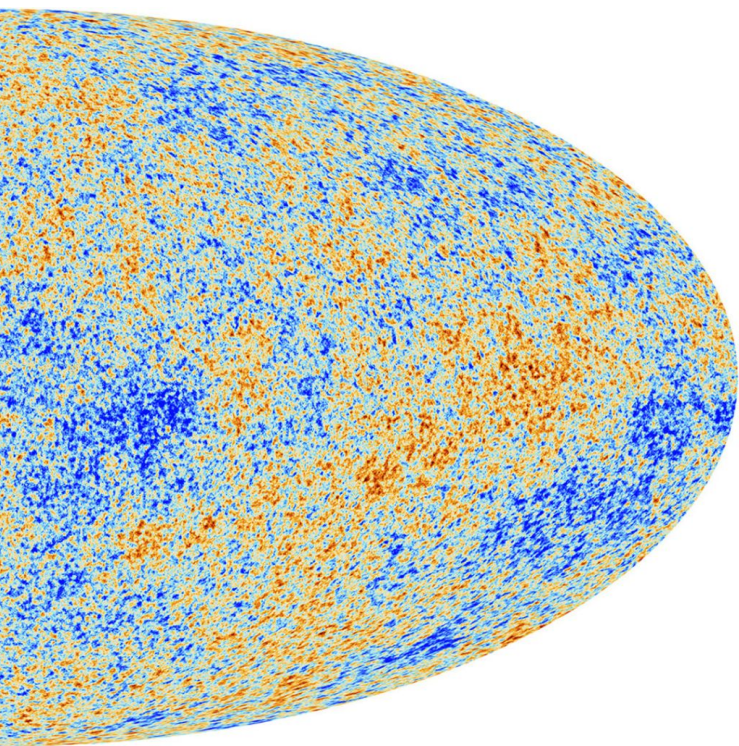
Figure of Merit (FoM) for Λ CDM compared to Planck

- Delensing holds broad benefit for **improving CMB constraining power** and can be achieved with data that will already be collected
- Delensing also reduces variance when **reconstructing secondary anisotropies** (including lensing itself)

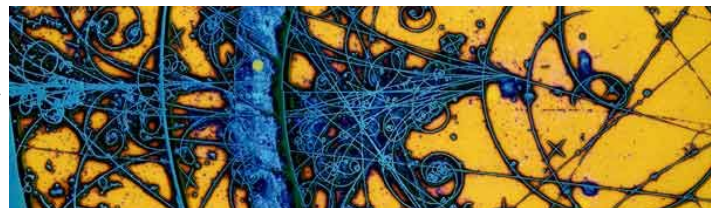
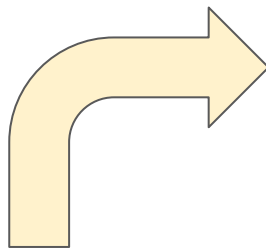
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Conclusion

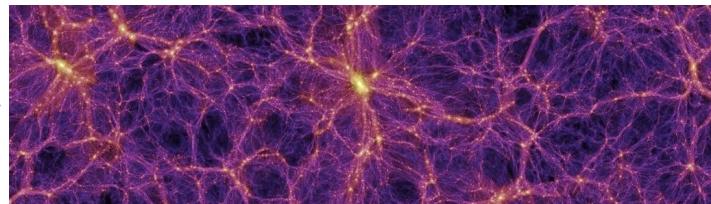
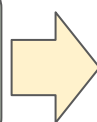
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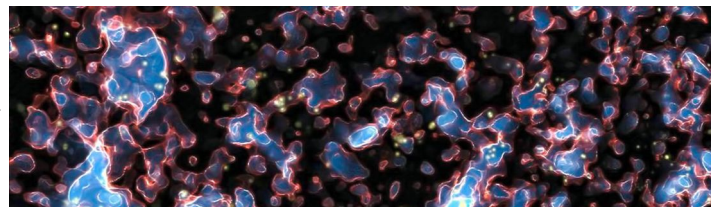
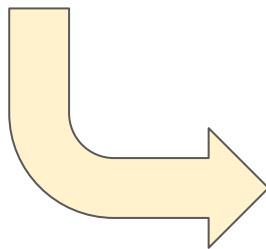
New Targets
and
New Tools



Particle Physics



Cosmology



Astrophysics

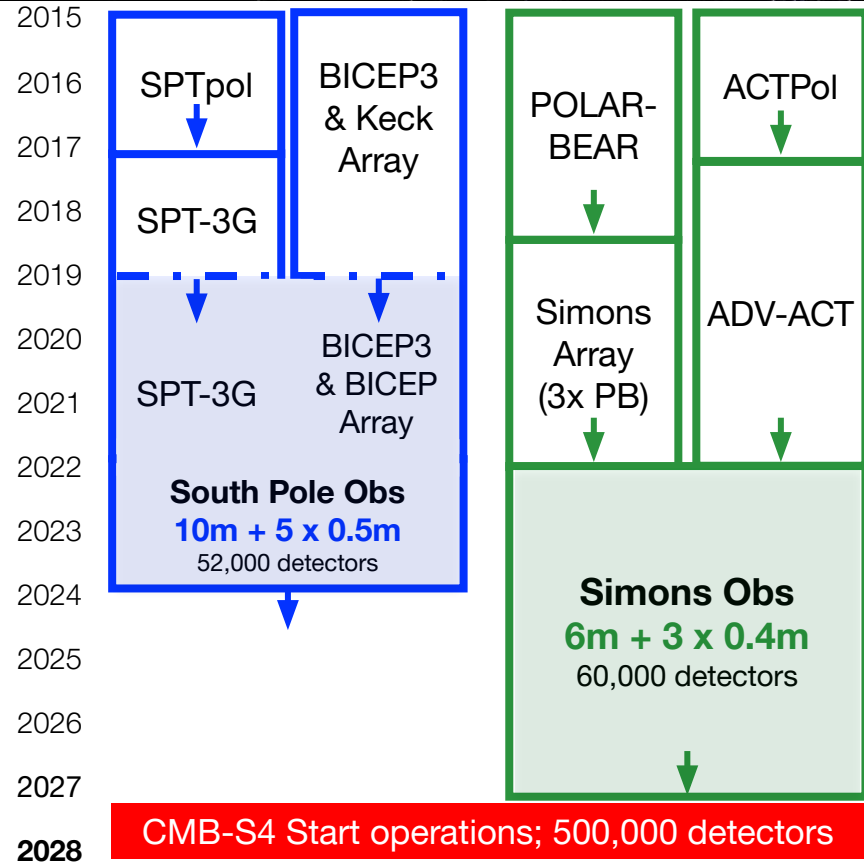
A night sky filled with stars and the Milky Way galaxy, with a radio telescope structure visible in the foreground.

Thank You!

A night sky photograph featuring the Milky Way galaxy, which appears as a dense band of stars and dust stretching across the upper half of the frame. The stars are in various colors, including white, blue, and red. In the lower foreground, the metal framework of a radio telescope is visible, showing a complex lattice of beams and supports. The overall scene is dark, with the light from the stars providing the primary illumination.

Backup Slides

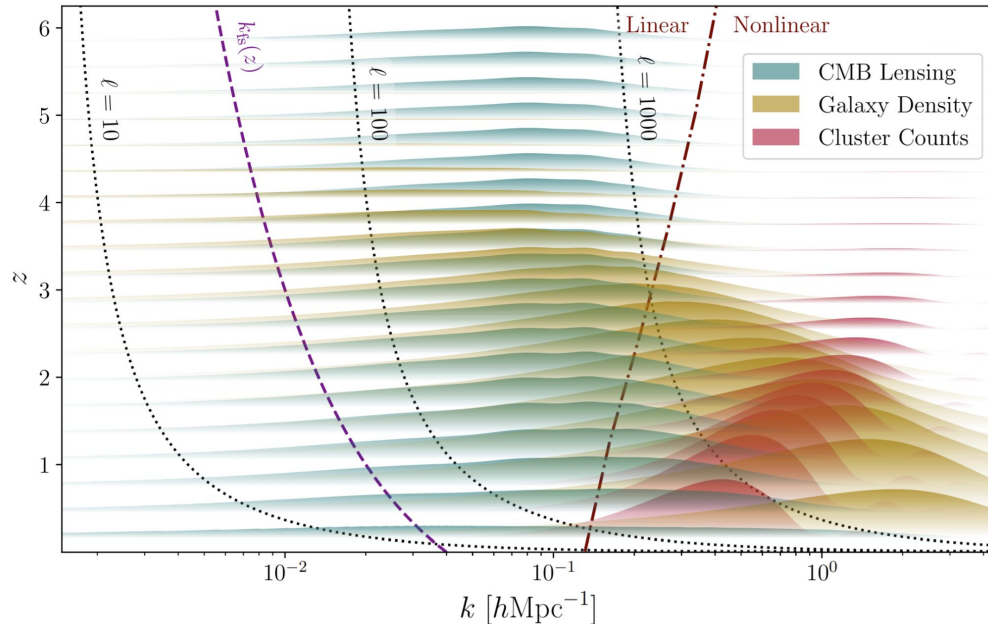
Evolution of Ground-Based CMB Surveys



Science-driven expansion of capabilities + cost-driven consolidation of teams

- Late 2010s:
 - single-site, single resolution
 - O(10K) detectors
 - ACT, BICEP/Keck, POLARBEAR, SPT, etc
- Early 2020s:
 - single-site, dual-resolution
 - O(50K) detectors
 - Simons Observatory (SO), South Pole Observatory (SPO)
- Late 2020s:
 - dual-site, dual-resolution
 - O(500K) detectors
 - **CMB-S4**

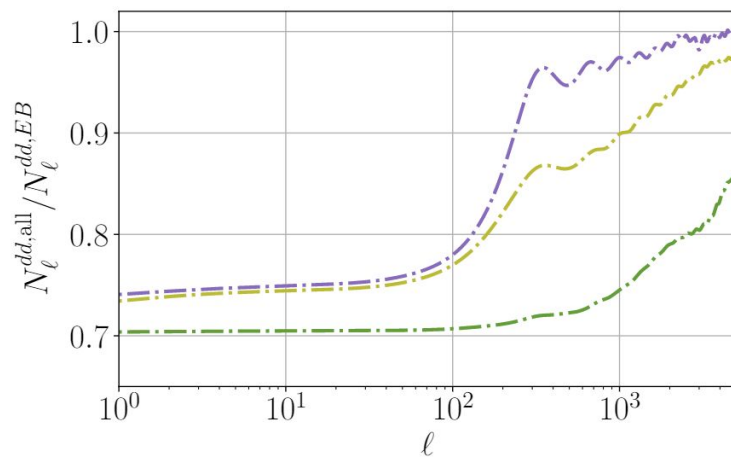
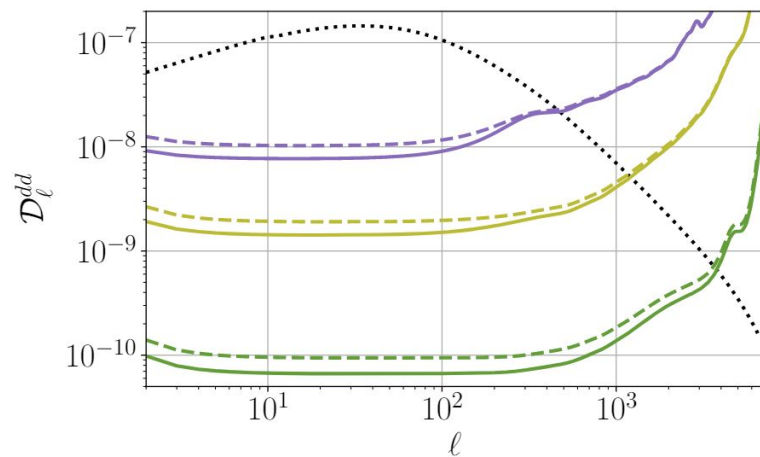
Measuring Clustering with Cosmological Surveys



Sensitivity regimes of various probes of clustering

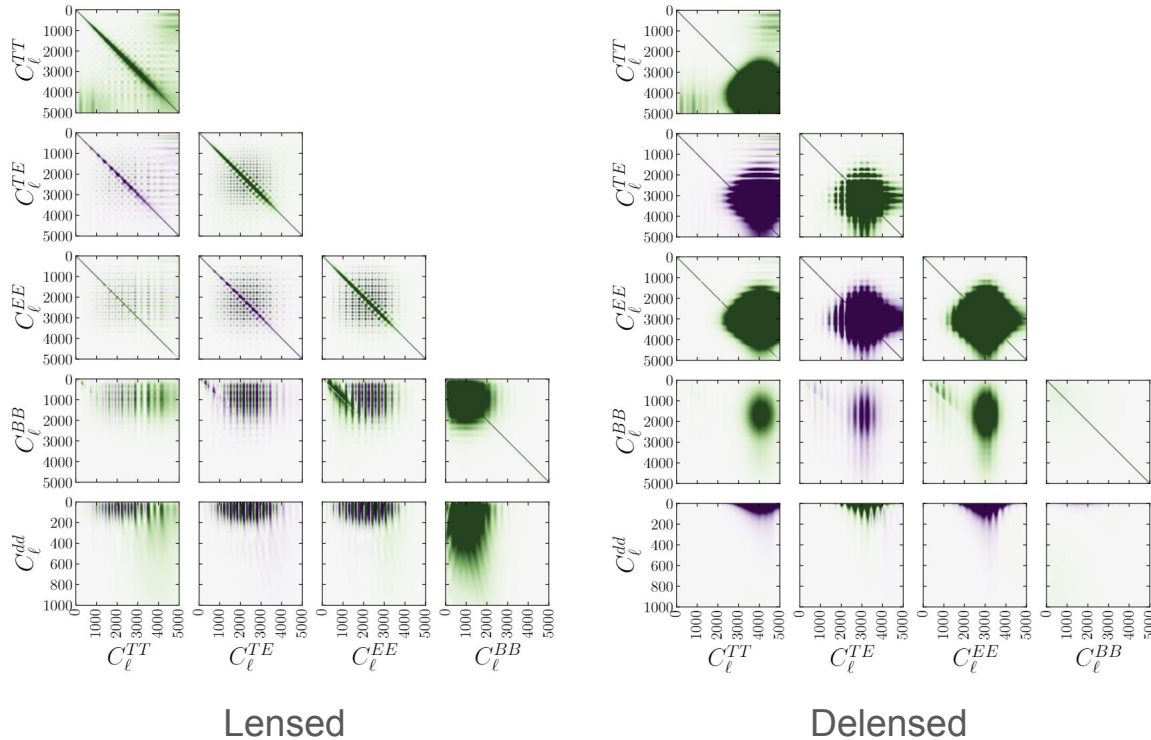
- Galaxy number density, galaxy weak lensing, counts of galaxy clusters, and weak lensing of the cosmic microwave background (among other probes) are sensitive to the clustering of matter across a wide range of scales and redshifts
- Unfortunately, the free-streaming scale cannot be resolved, and we must rely on a **comparison of power at late and early times** in order to measure neutrino mass

Delensing Improves Lensing Reconstruction



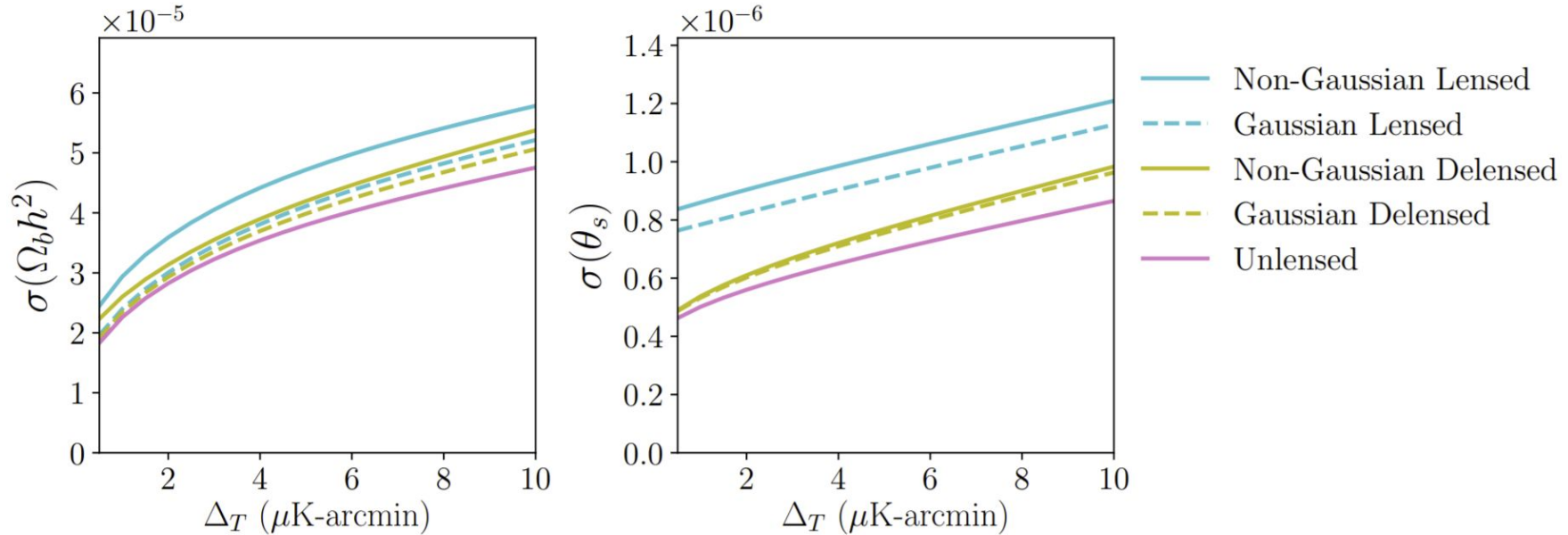
- Experiment A
- Experiment B
- Experiment C
- Fiducial \mathcal{D}_ℓ^{dd}
- Iteration on all spectra
- Iteration on EB estimator
- .-.- Fractional improvement

Delensing Reduces Non-Gaussian Covariance

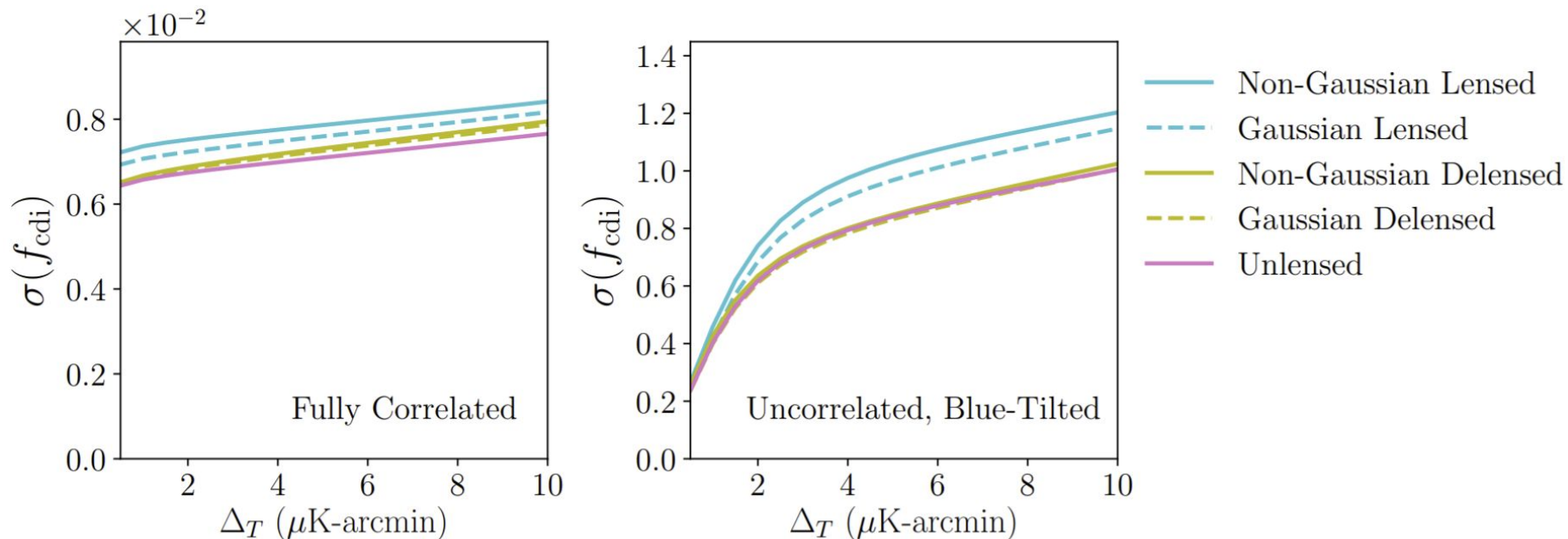


Delensing reduces off-diagonal power spectrum covariance for well-measured modes

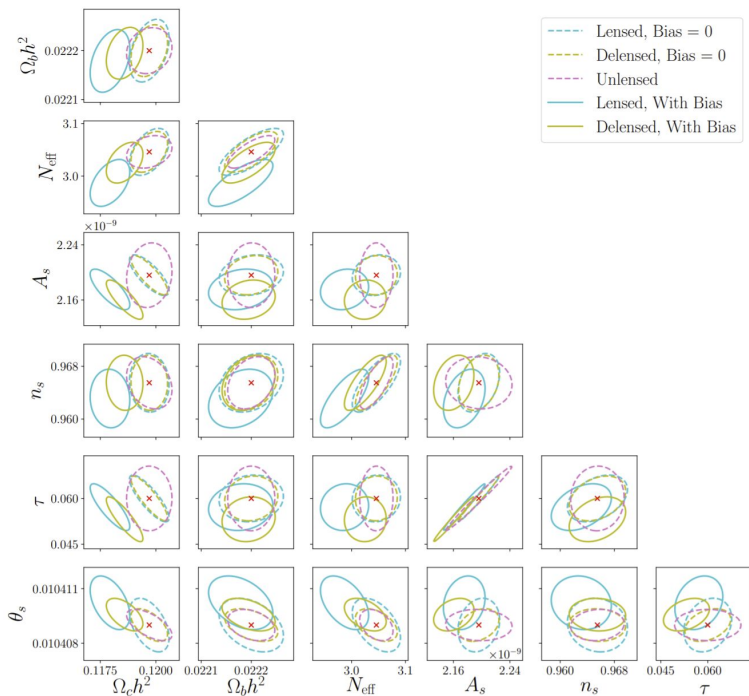
Delensing Improves Constraints on Λ CDM Parameters



Delensing Improves Constraints on Isocurvature



Delensing Mitigates Bias from Mis-modeled Lensing



- Non-linear structure growth, baryonic feedback, and physics beyond the Standard Model can lead to lensing spectra that differ from our expectations
- These mis-modeled lensing spectra can lead to biased parameter inferences if we try to forward-model lensing effects
- Delensing removes the realization of the lensing, thereby reducing our need to accurately model the spectrum