

Cosmological case study of a tower of neutrino states

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DESI puts strong constraint on ‘standard’ neutrino

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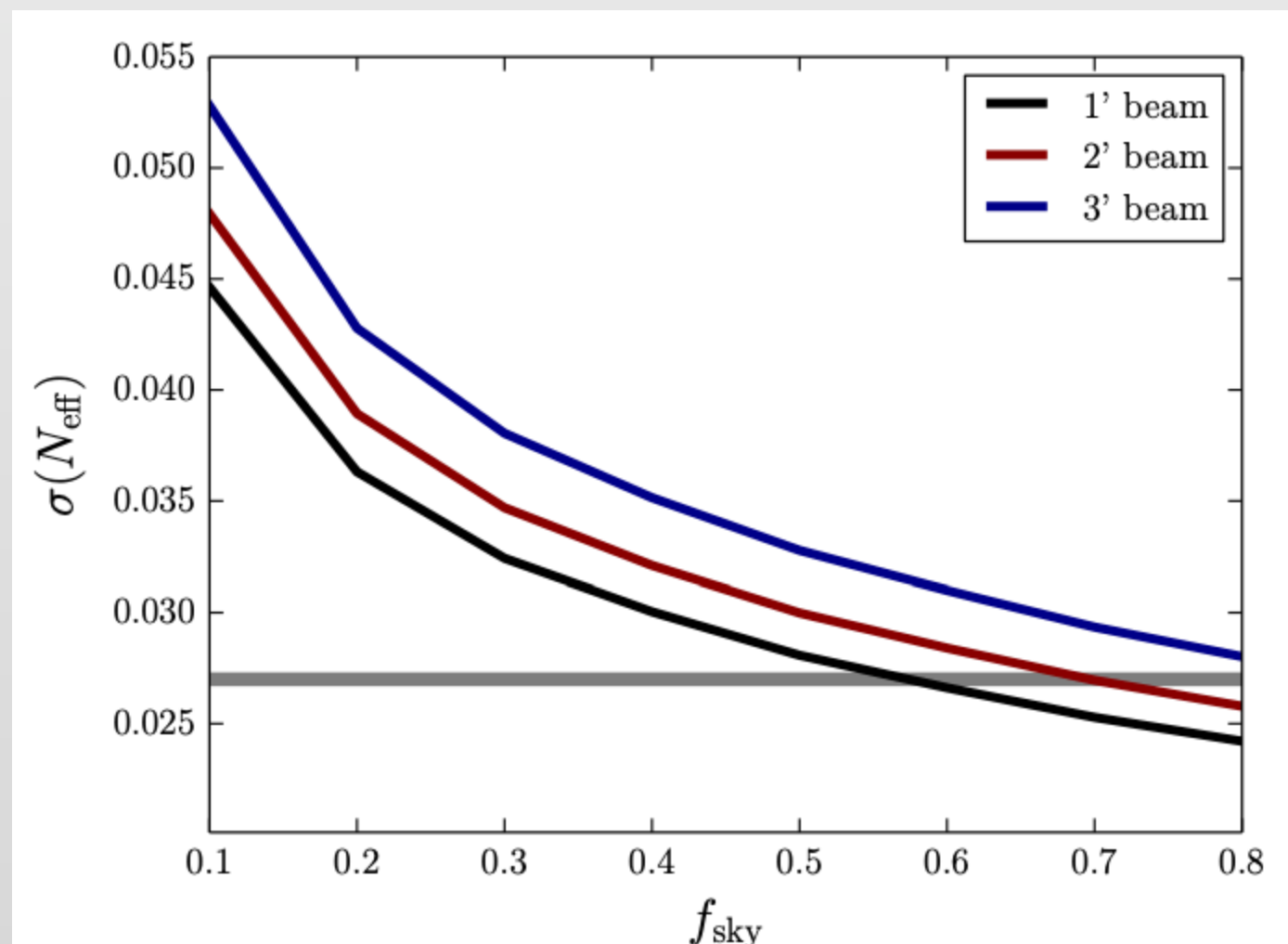
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$$\sum m_\nu > 0.10 \text{ eV} : \text{IH}$$

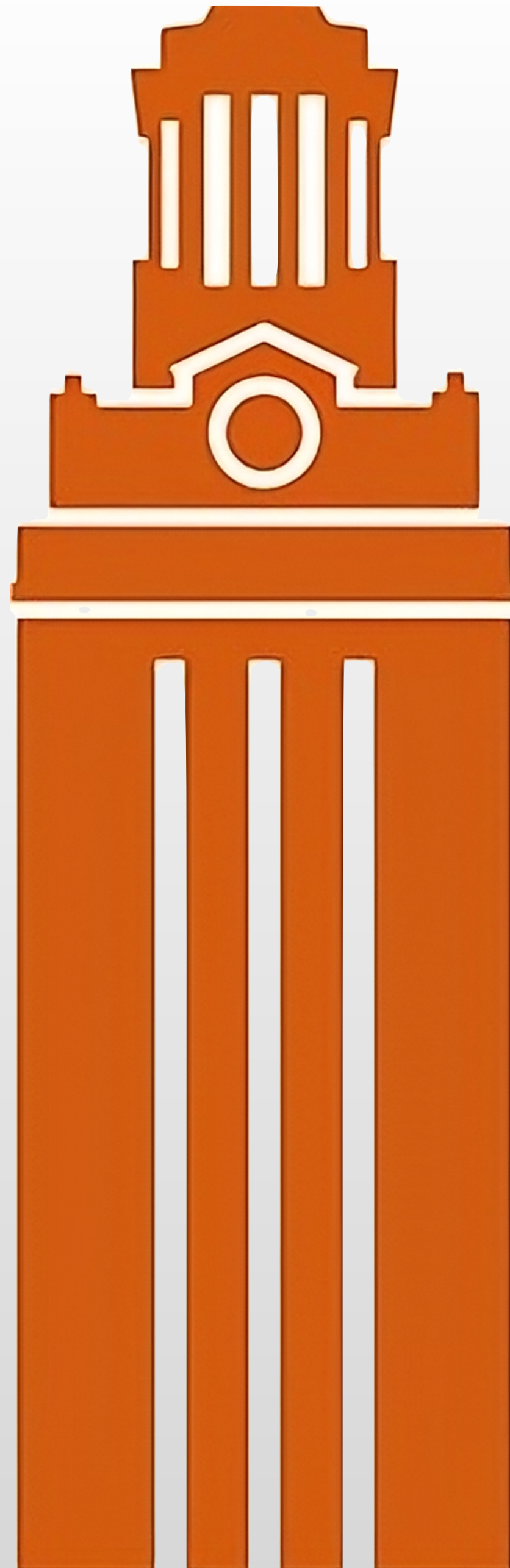
$$\sum m_\nu > 0.059 \text{ eV} : \text{NH}$$



Projection

Datasets	$\sigma_{\sum m_\nu}$ (eV)
<i>Planck</i> + DES lensing and galaxy clustering	0.041
<i>Planck</i> + DESI Lyman- α Forest + BAO	0.098
<i>Planck</i> + DESI Galaxy Power spectrum + BAO	0.024
<i>Planck</i> + LSST Lensing and Galaxy Clustering	0.02

Tower of neutrinos



Other Neutrino
/WDM states

m_ν

T_ν

CDM - like

States higher up
on the tower can
taken into account
by adjusting
 Ω_{CDM}

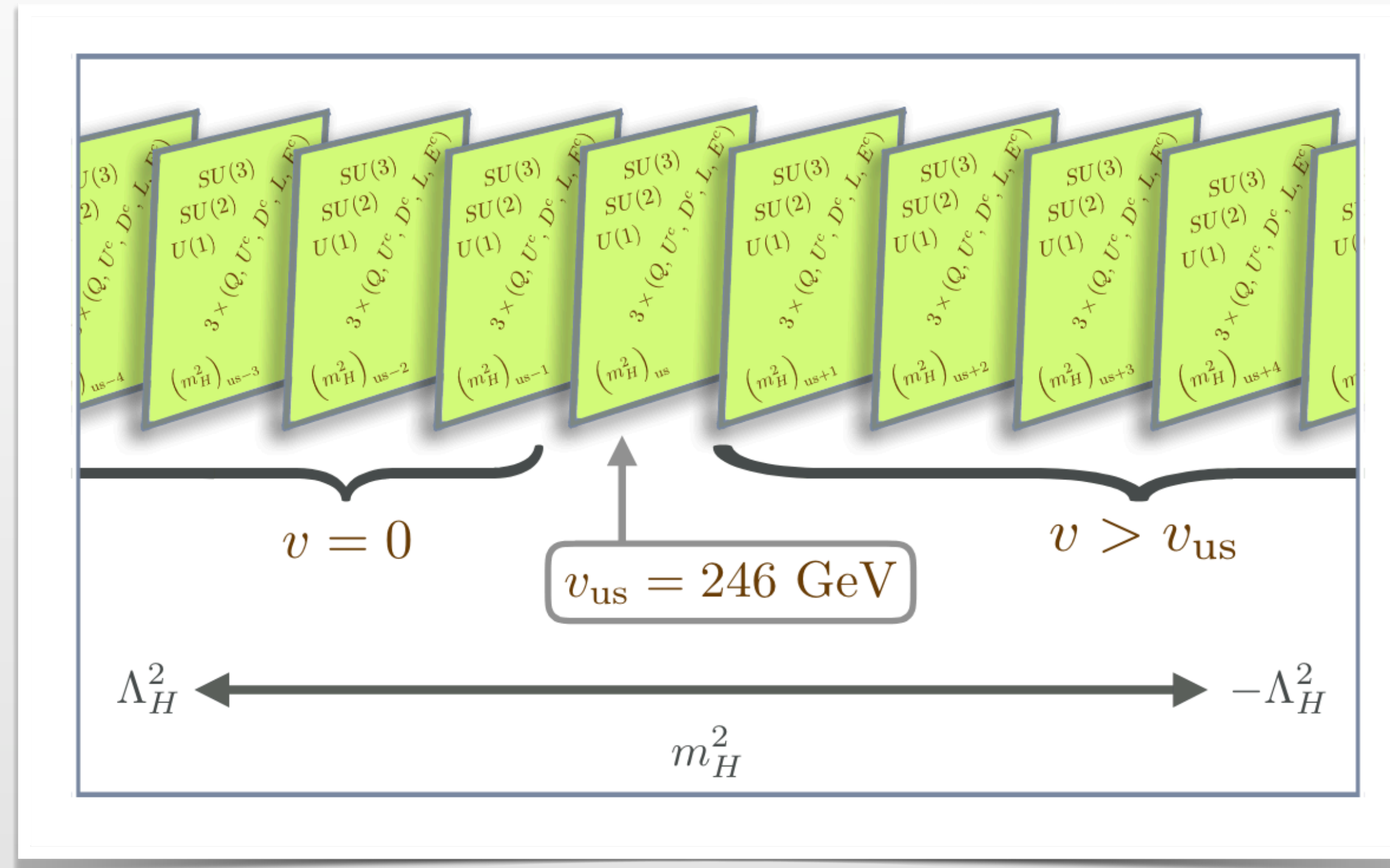
SM Neutrino like

SM Neutrino

*UT Tower

N-Naturalness : a Model for Neutrino Tower

A proposed solution to Hierarchy problem



$$(m_H^2)_i = -\frac{\Lambda_H^2}{N} (2i + r), \quad -\frac{N}{2} \leq i \leq \frac{N}{2}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_\phi \supset -a\phi \sum_i |H_i|^2 - \frac{1}{2} m_\phi^2 \phi^2,$$

Two free parameters : r and m_ϕ

Tower of N-Neutrino

Mass

Temperature

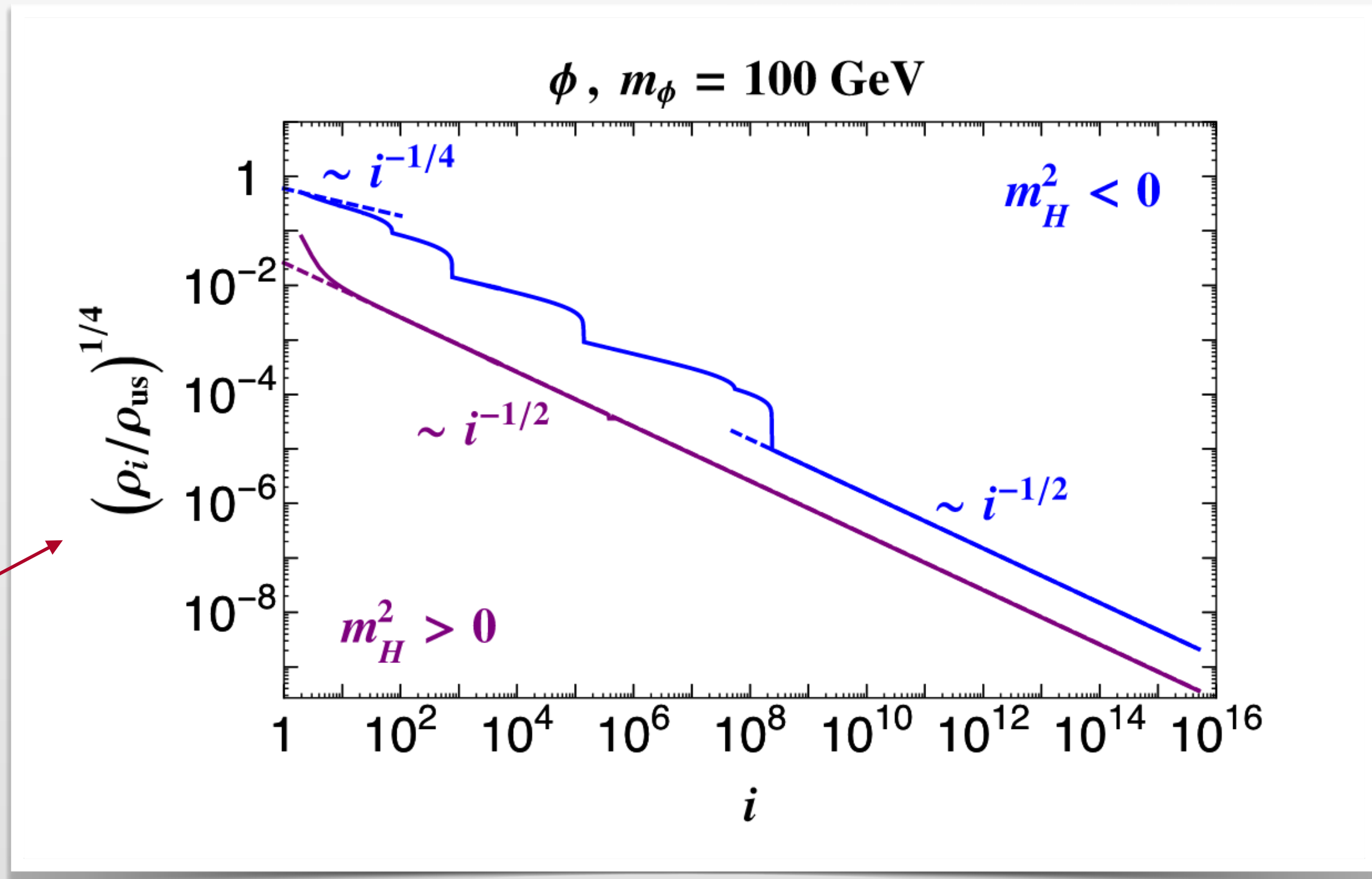
$$v_i = v^{\text{SM}} \sqrt{\frac{2i + r}{r}}$$

The spectrum depends of SM neutrino masses

$$m_{\nu,i}^{(\text{Maj})} = m_{\nu,\text{SM}} \frac{v_i^2}{v_{\text{SM}}^2}$$

$$m_{\nu,i}^{(\text{Dir})} = m_{\nu,\text{SM}} \frac{v_i}{v_{\text{SM}}}$$

$$\frac{T_i}{T_{\text{SM}}}$$



$$\sum_{f=1}^3 m_{\nu,\text{SM}}^{(f)} = 0.12 \text{ eV} \text{ \& Normal Hierarchy}$$

The bounds will depends on the choice of SM Neutrino mass

How cosmology probes Neutrinos?

Non-relativistic (matter)

Relativistic (radiation)

← Time/Redshift

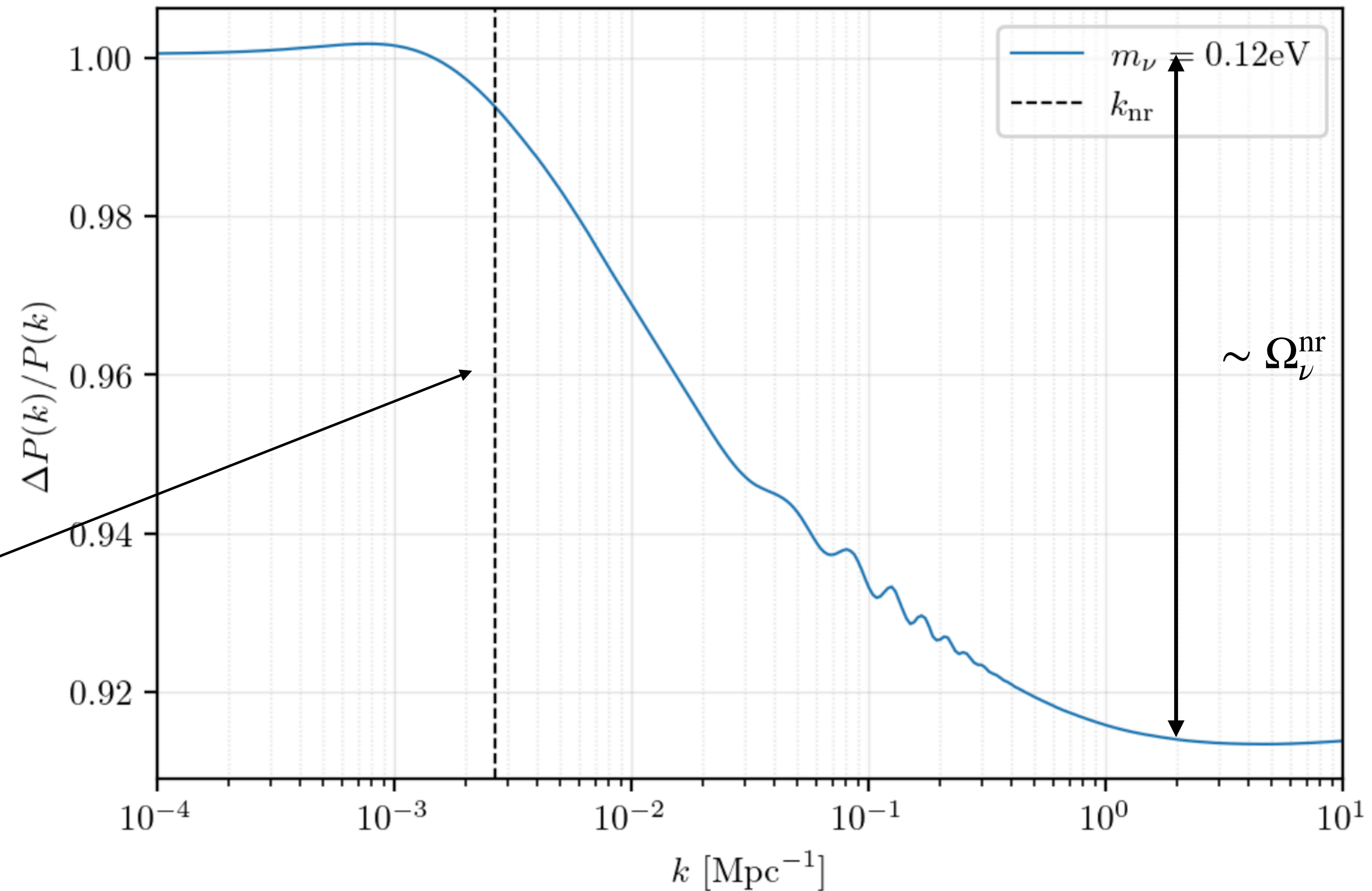
$T_\nu < m_\nu$

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T_ν

CMB & BBN constraints N_{eff}
 CMB & LSS probes matter
 power spectrum

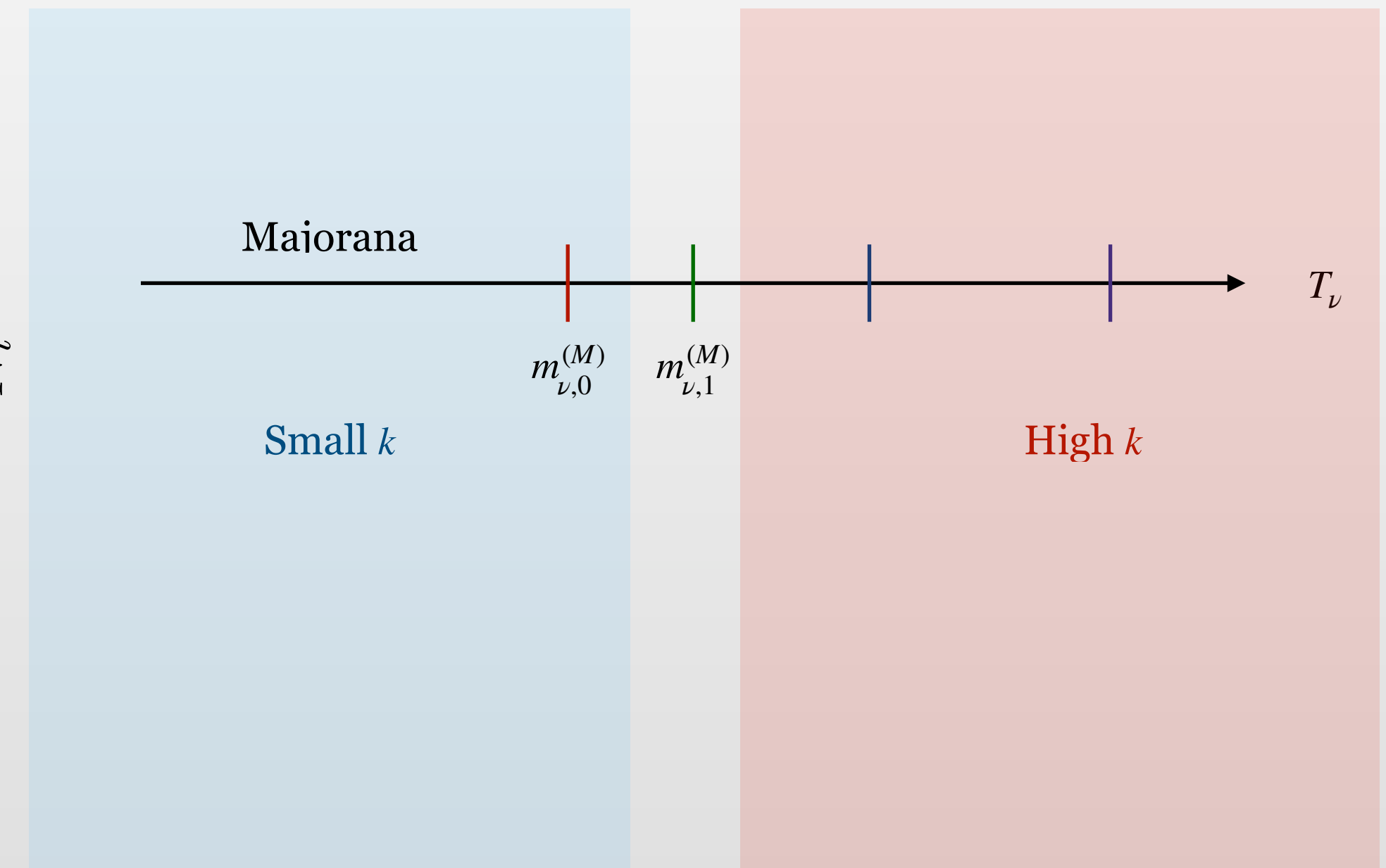
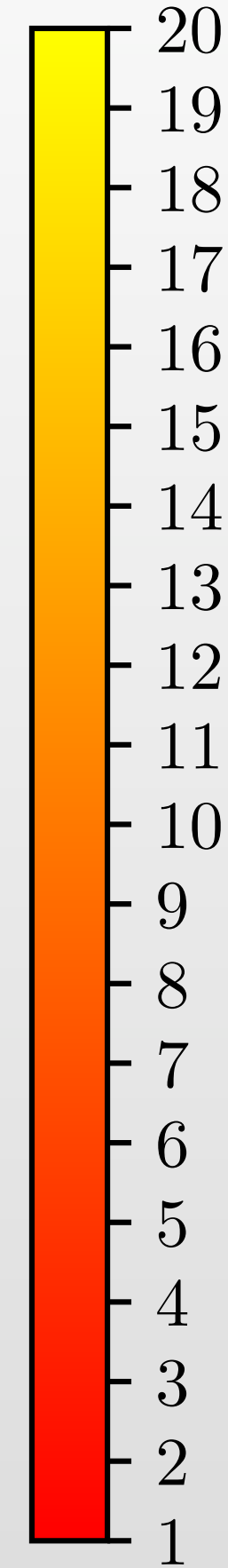
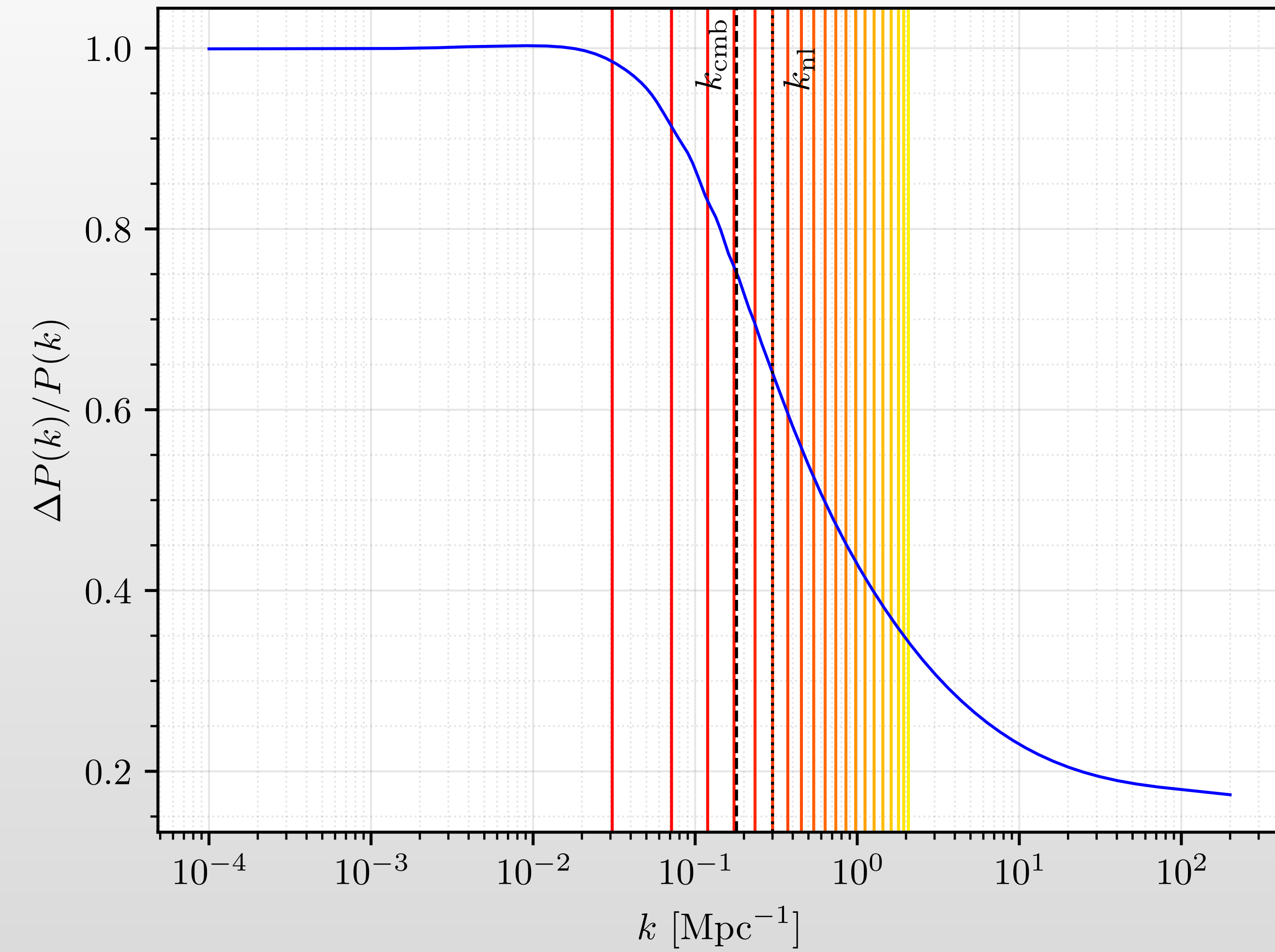
$k_{\text{nr}} = 1/\eta_{\text{nr}}$ where $T_\nu(\eta_{\text{nr}}) = m_\nu$



Same Ω_m and N_{eff}
 for both models

Matter power spectrum suppression for N-Neutrino

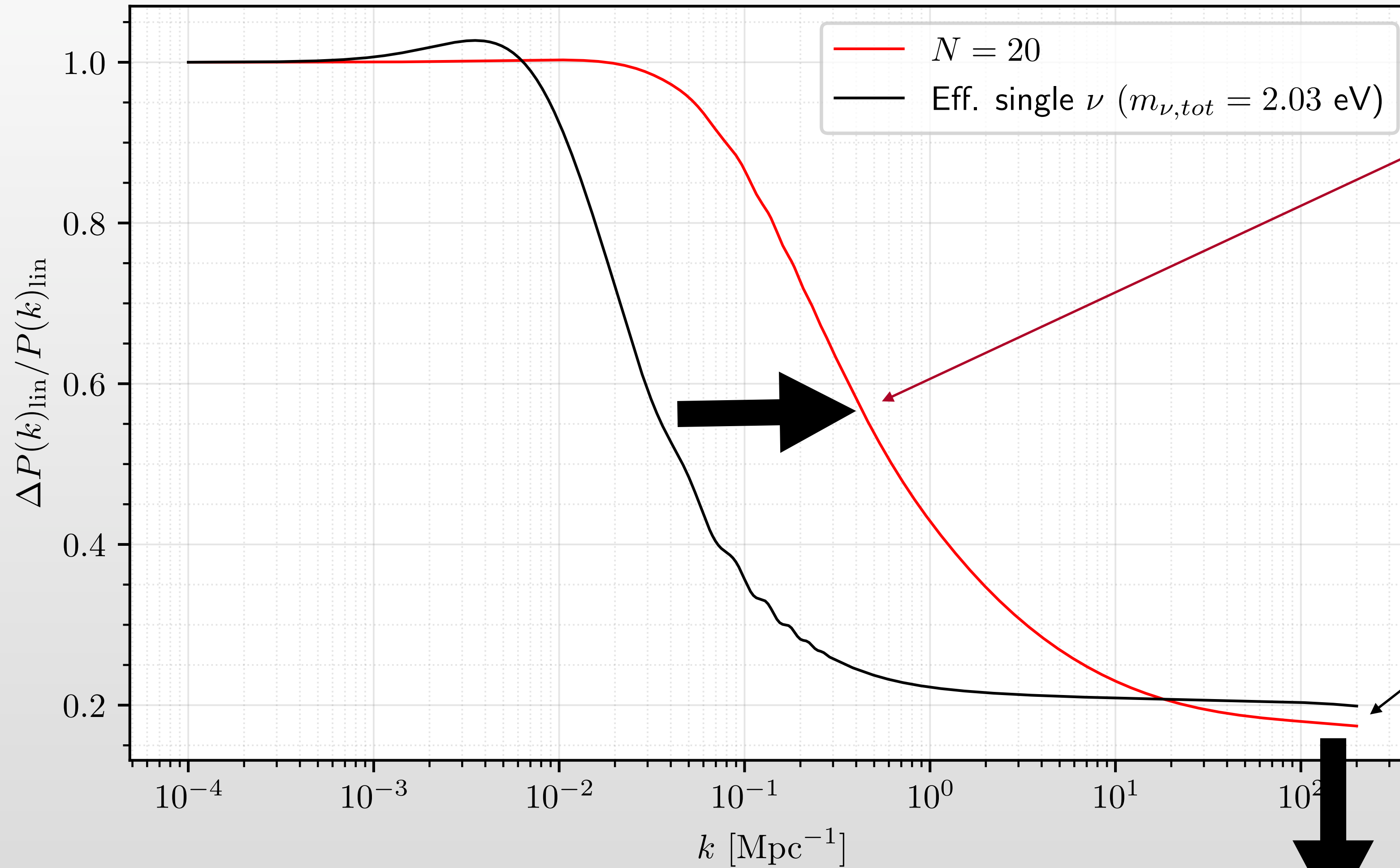
$r = 0.1, m_\phi = 160 \text{ GeV}, N = 20, \text{Majorana}$



$$m_{\nu,i}^{(D)} \sim i^{1/2}, m_{\nu,i}^{(M)} \sim i$$

N neutrino vs 1 neutrino

$r = 0.1, m_\phi = 160 \text{ GeV, majorana}$



More gradual suppression compared to single neutrino

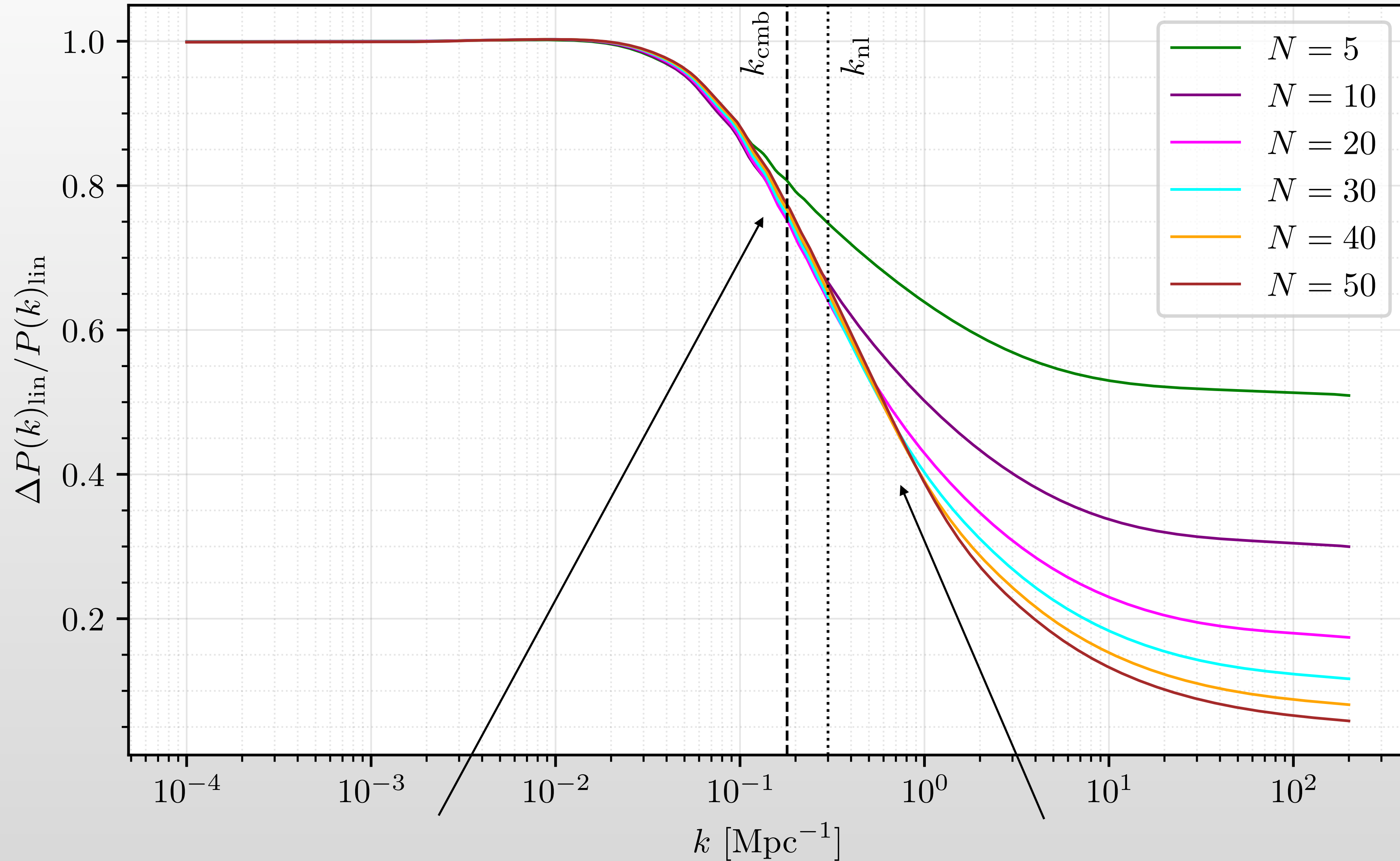
Small Difference due to matter-radiation equality difference

k_{nr} and Ω_ν both increase with m_ν

Same Ω_m and N_{eff} for Λ CDM, 1- ν and N- ν

Matter power spectrum suppression along N

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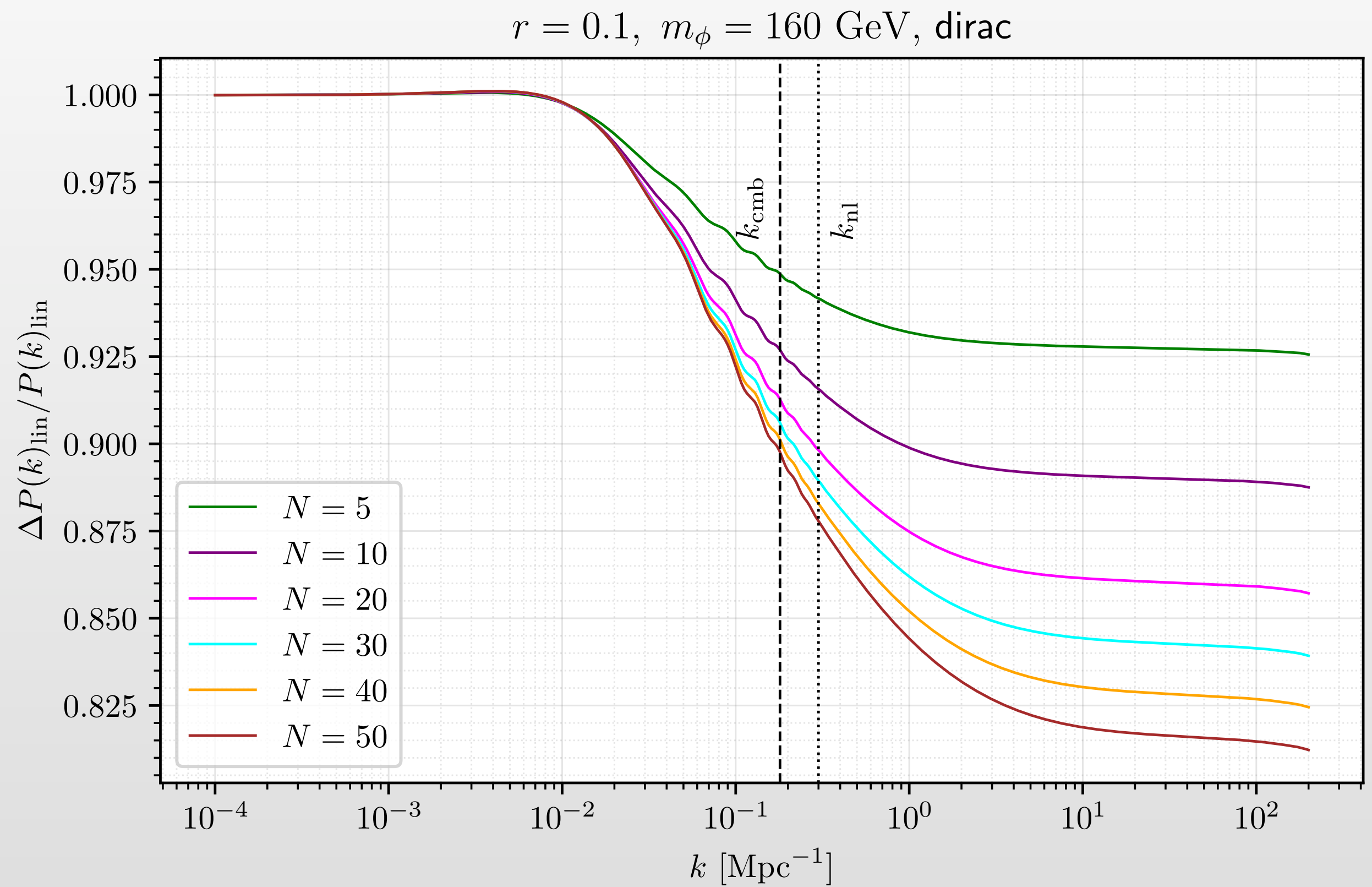
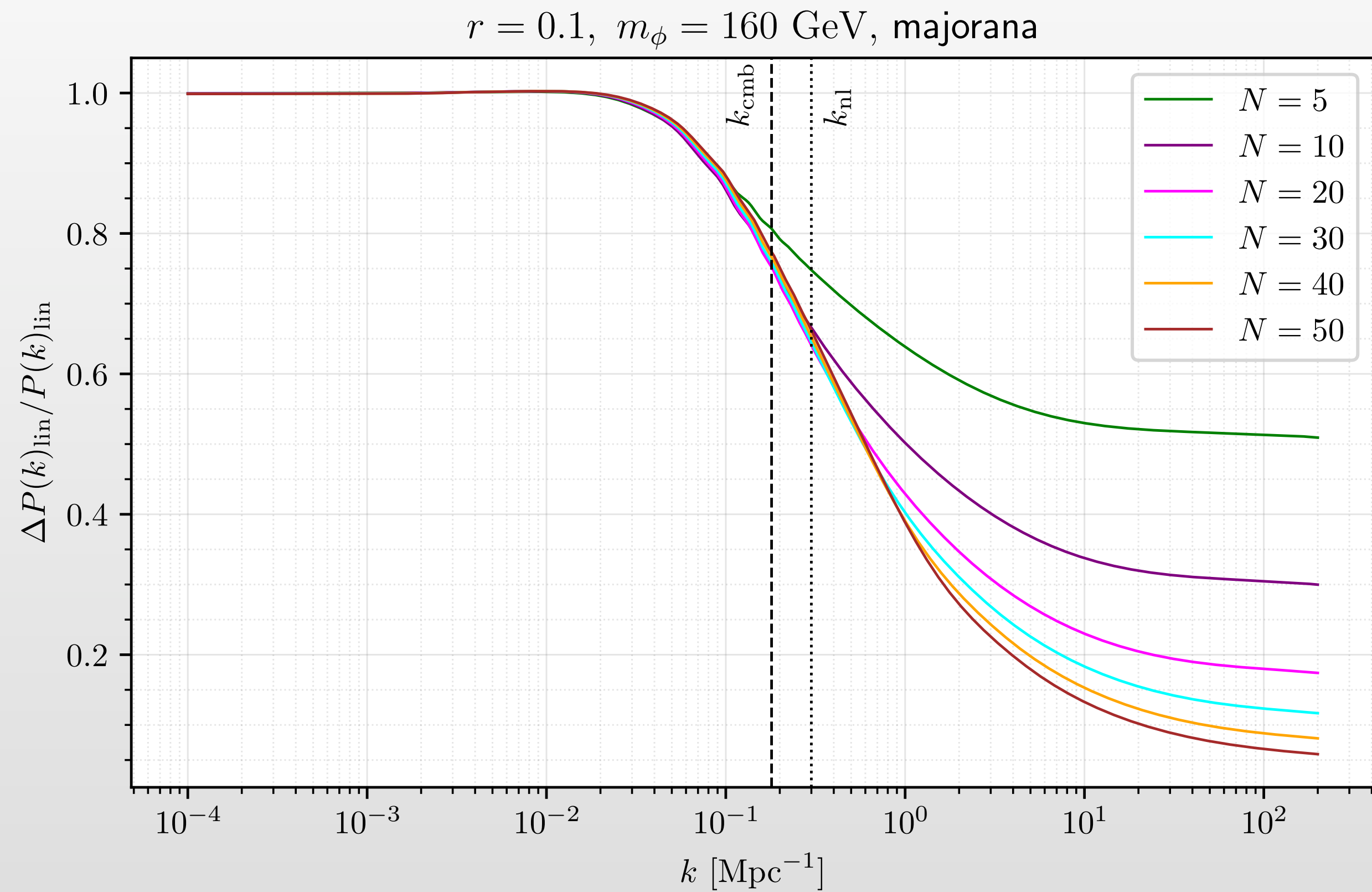


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for all models

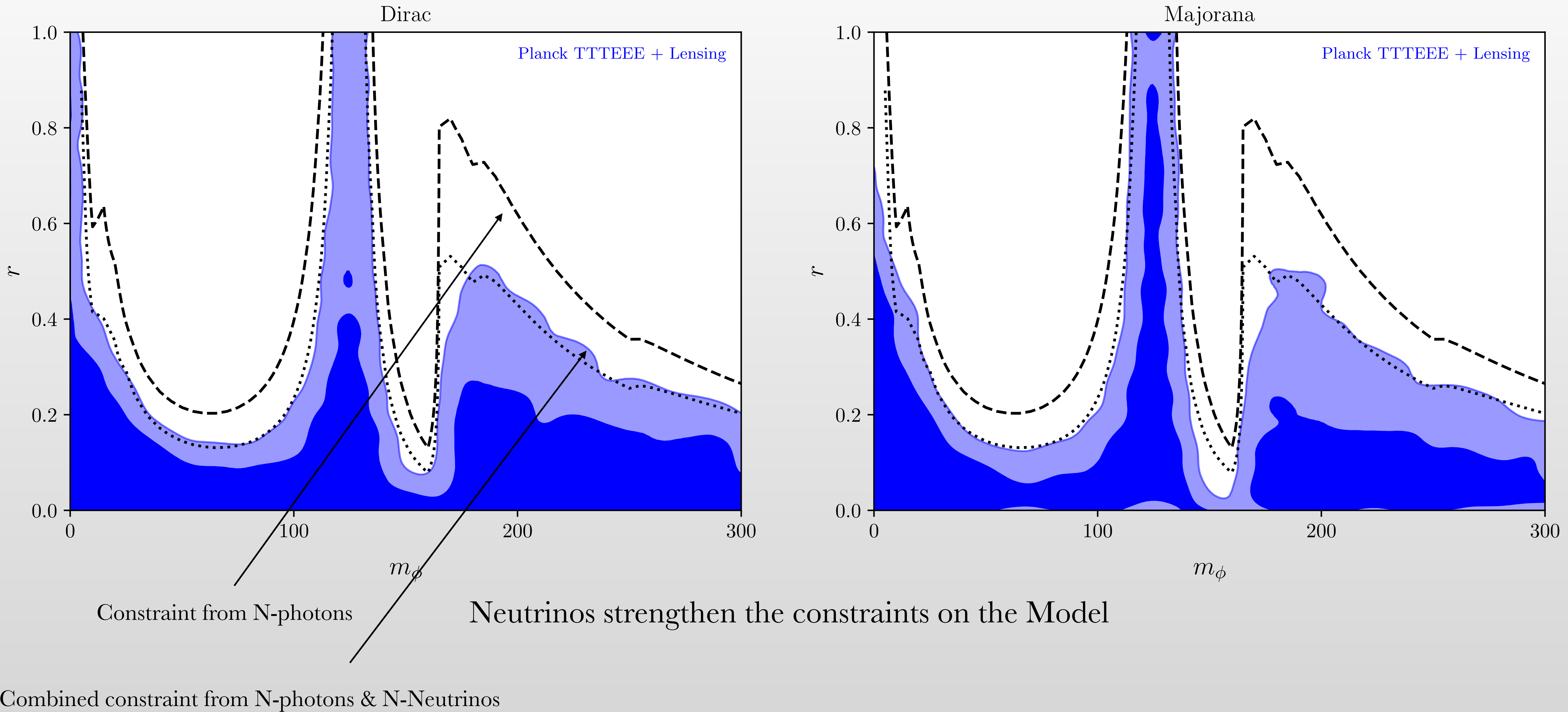
$N \gtrsim 10$ are CDM for CMB scale

$N \gtrsim 50$ are CDM for Lyman- α scale

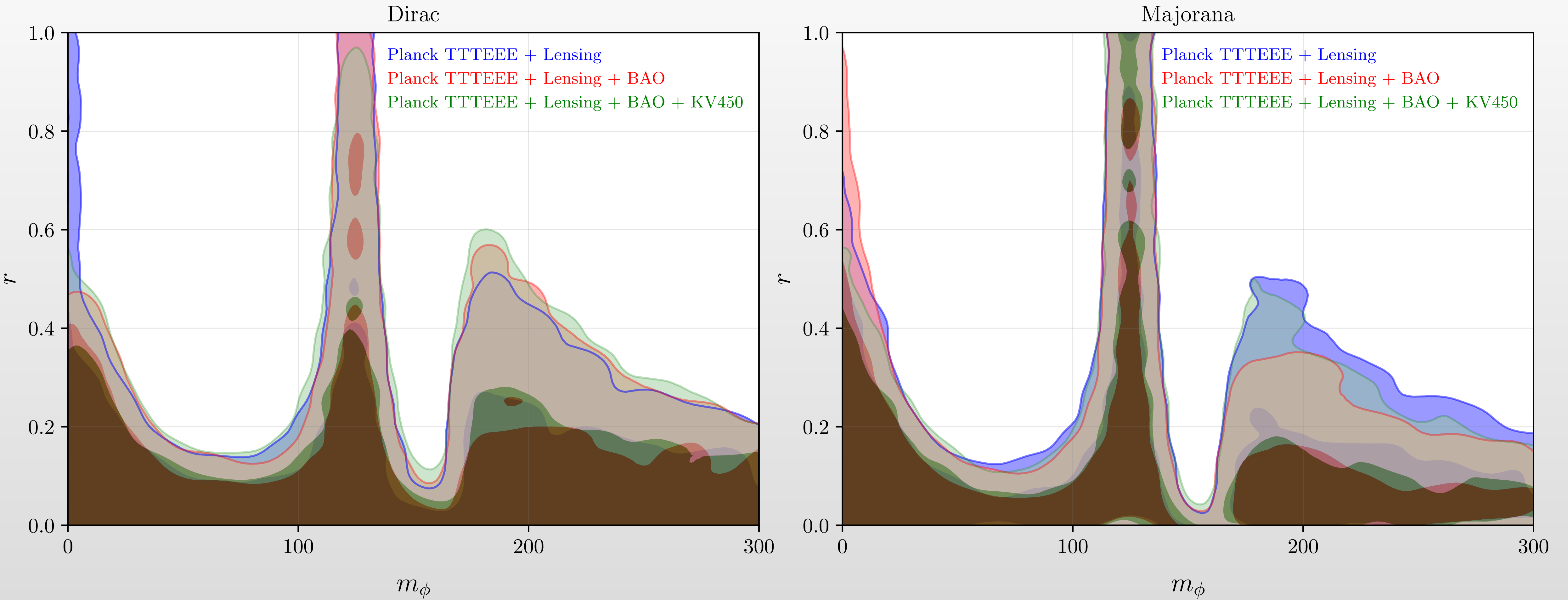
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MCMC constraints: Role of Neutrinos



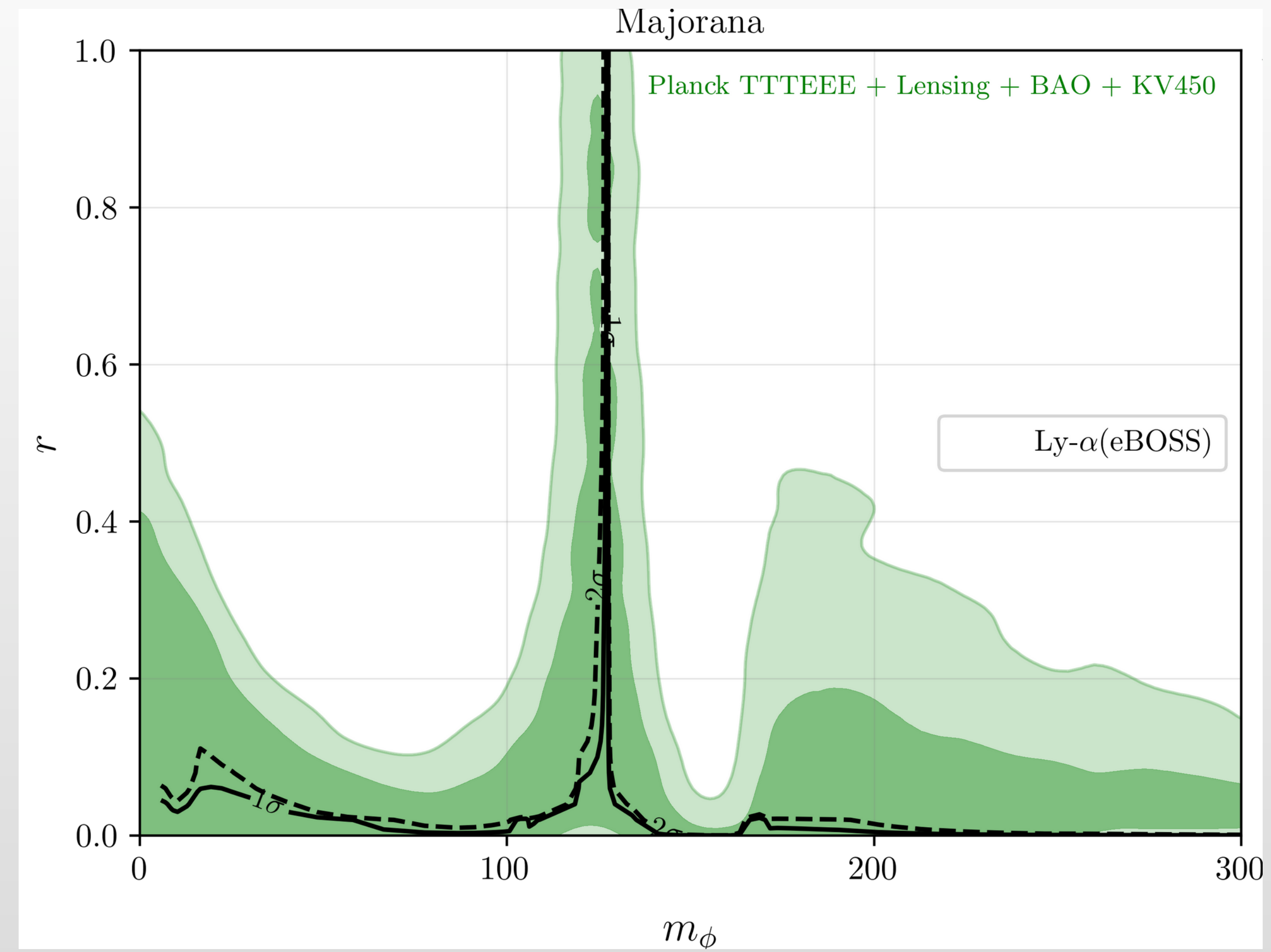
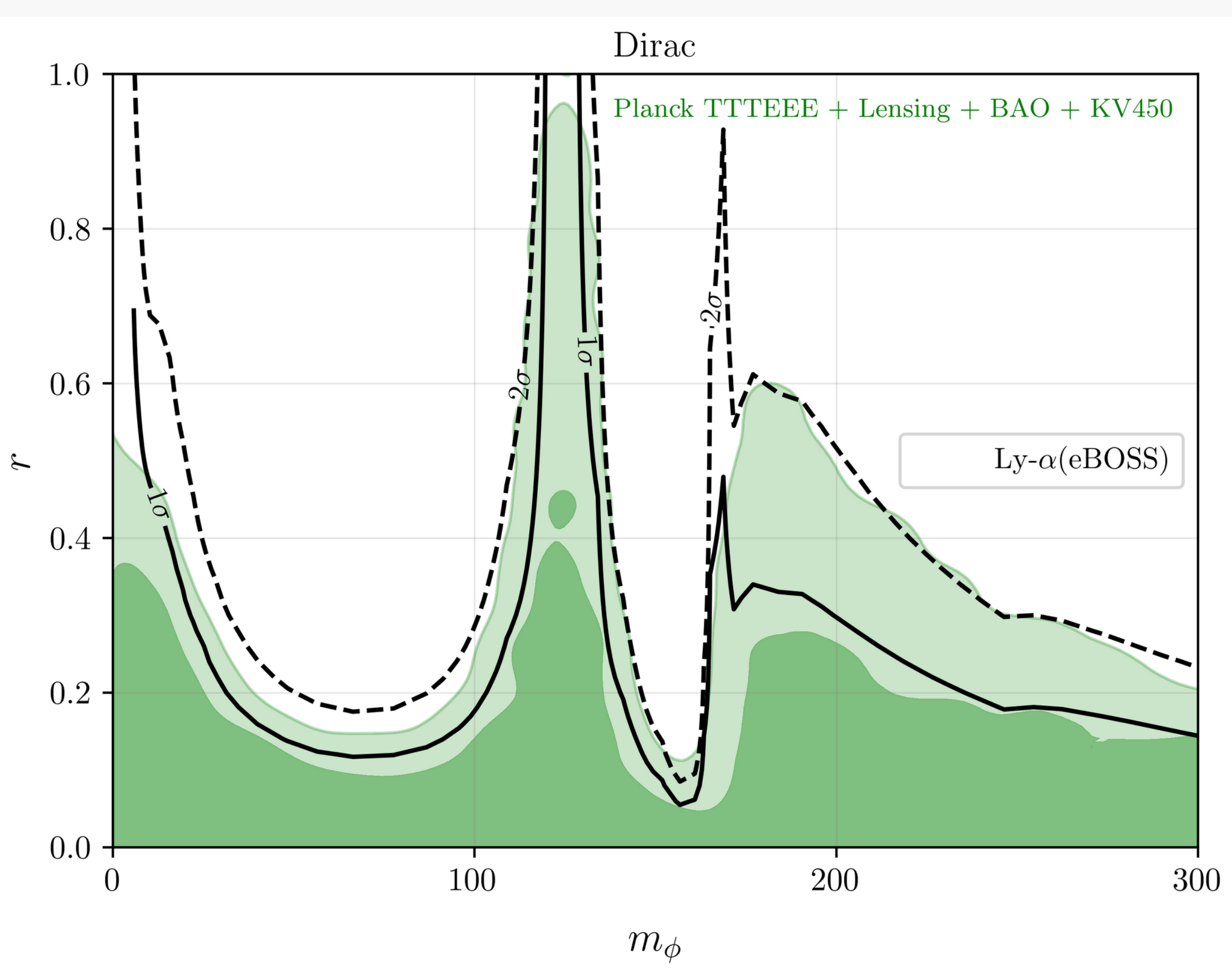
MCMC constraints: Role of LSS dataset



LSS strengthen the constraint

Rough Constraints : e-Boss Lyman- α

Preliminary

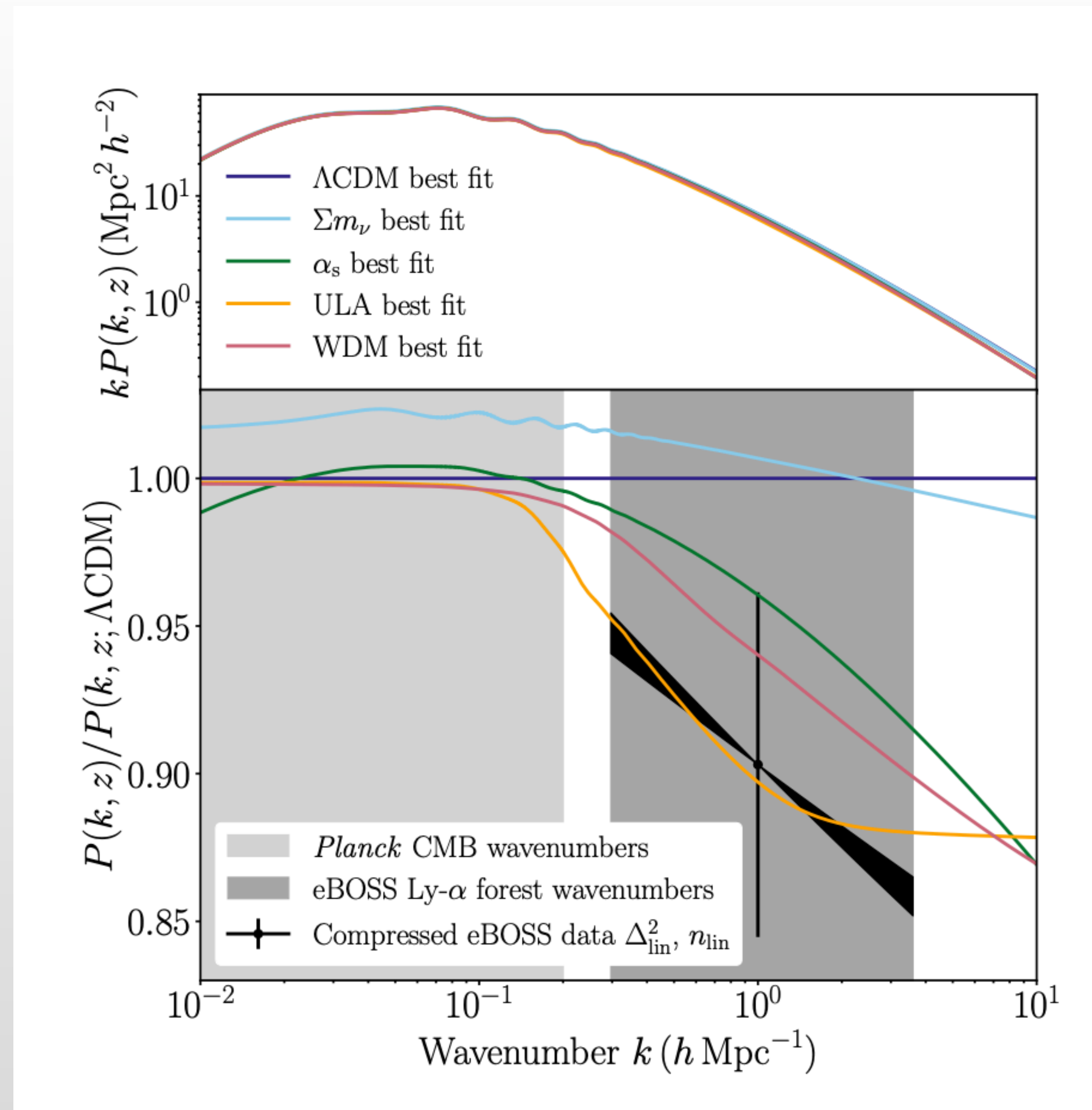


Constraints are **aggressive** . Will be relaxed in an MCMC analysis with varying SM neutrino mass

Conclusion

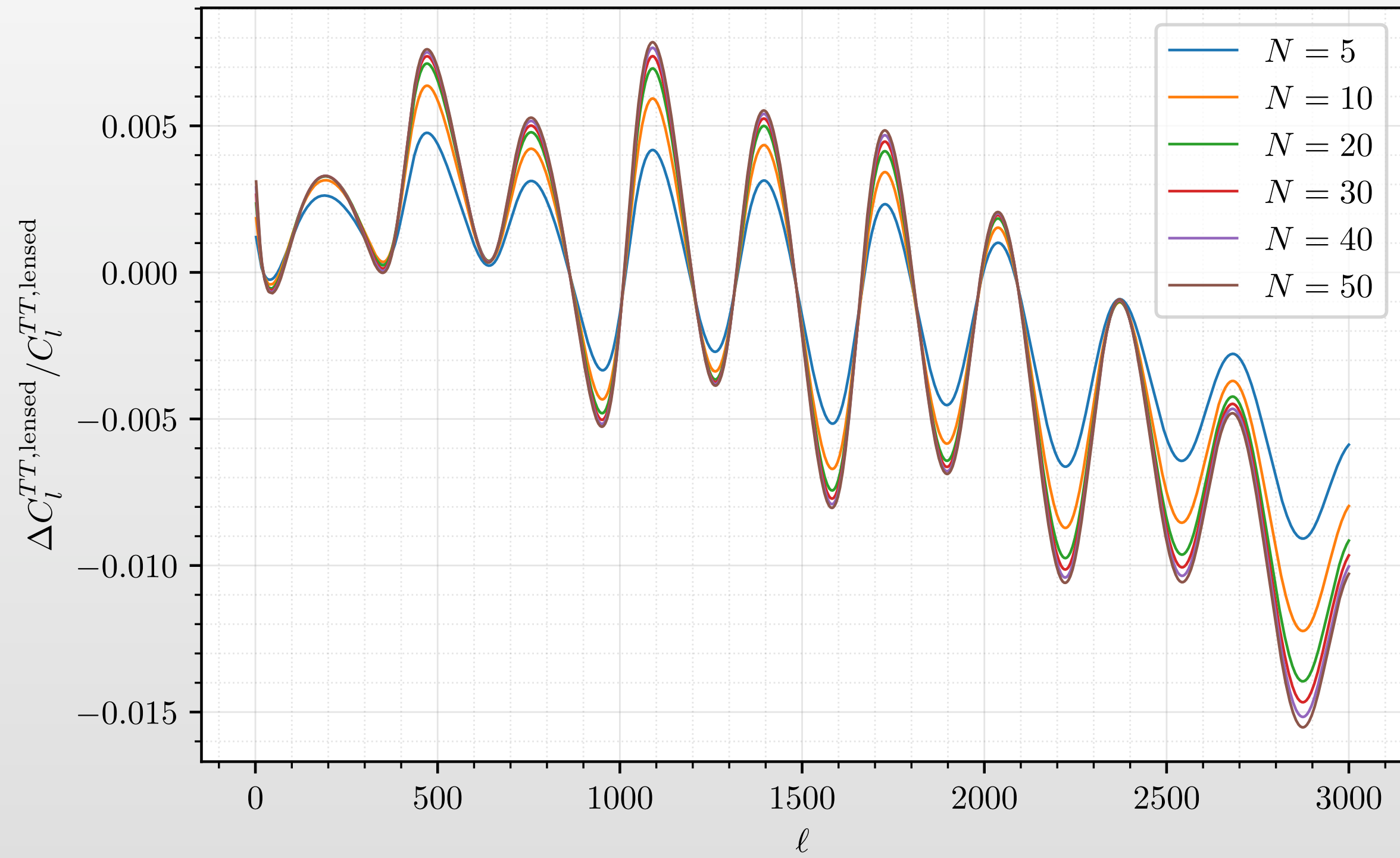
- Stricter constraints on neutrino mass will necessitate going beyond ‘standard neutrino’.
- $1-\nu$ vs $N-\nu$ give distinguishable features in cosmology. The decoupling profile for a tower of neutrinos cannot be captured by a single neutrino species by adjusting its mass and temperature.
- Neutrino tower creates a more gradual suppression of power spectra is comparatively less constrained at large scale.
- Neutrino tower creates large suppression at smaller scale. LSS dataset is crucial to probe multiple neutrino state.
- Majorana neutrino in N -Naturalness is strongly constrained by LSS & Lyman- α data.
- Need of a faster and efficient Boltzmann code to study effects for neutrino/WDM tower.

Tension between Planck & e-Boss Ly- α in Λ CDM



Effects on CMB anisotropy

$r = 0.1, m_\phi = 160 \text{ GeV, dirac}$



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