

Towards a post-Inflationary Universe

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Supersymmetry, Nonthermal Dark Matter and Precision Cosmology

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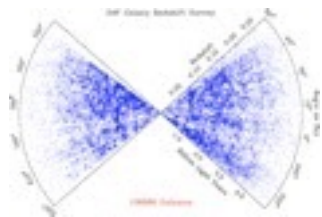
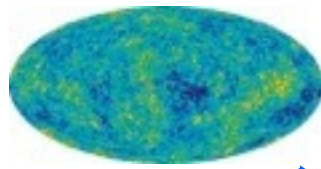
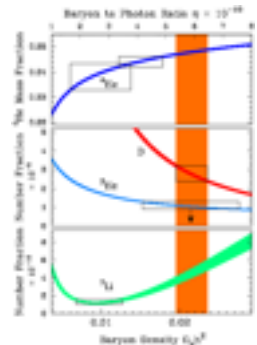
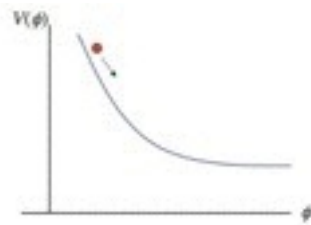
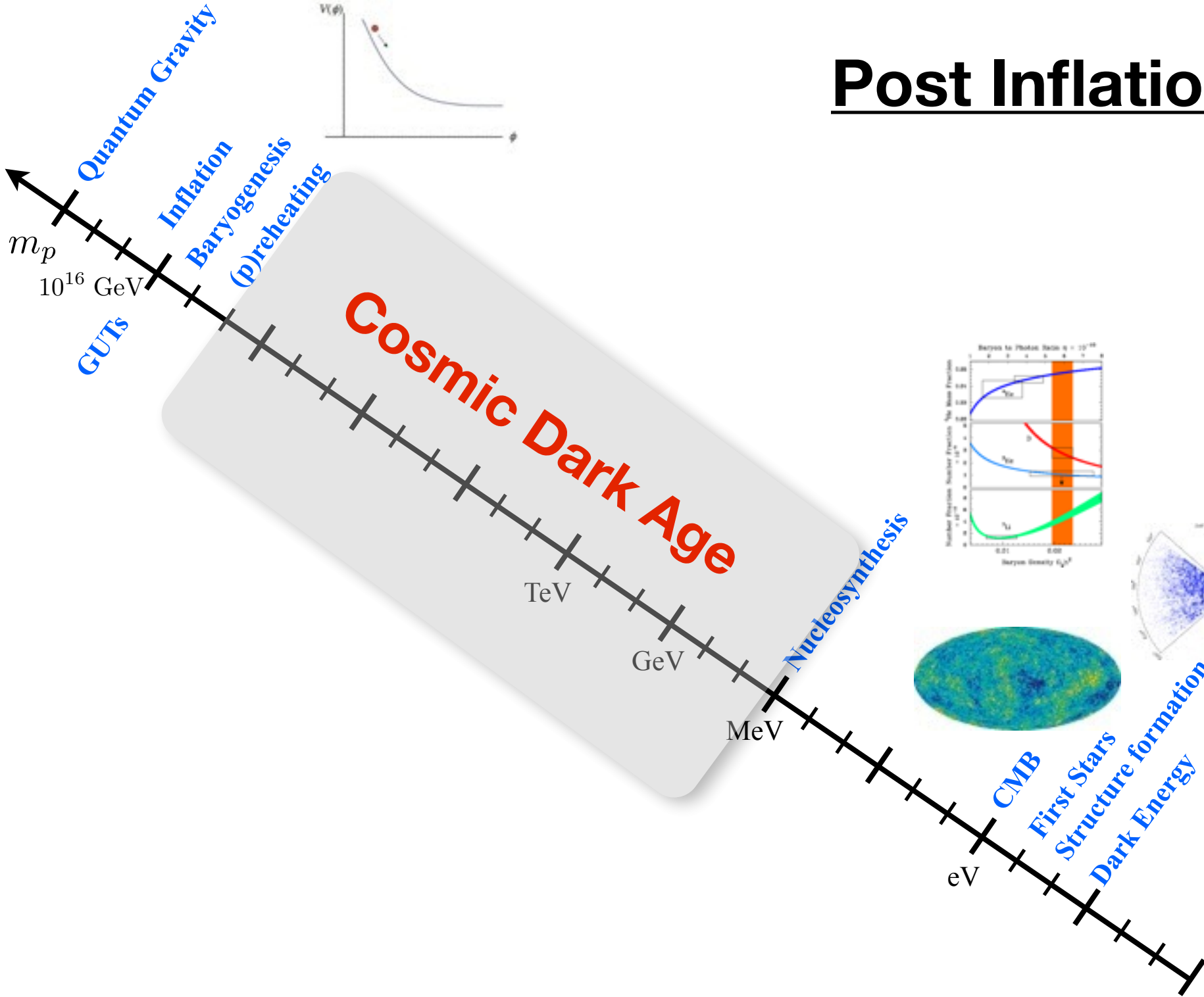
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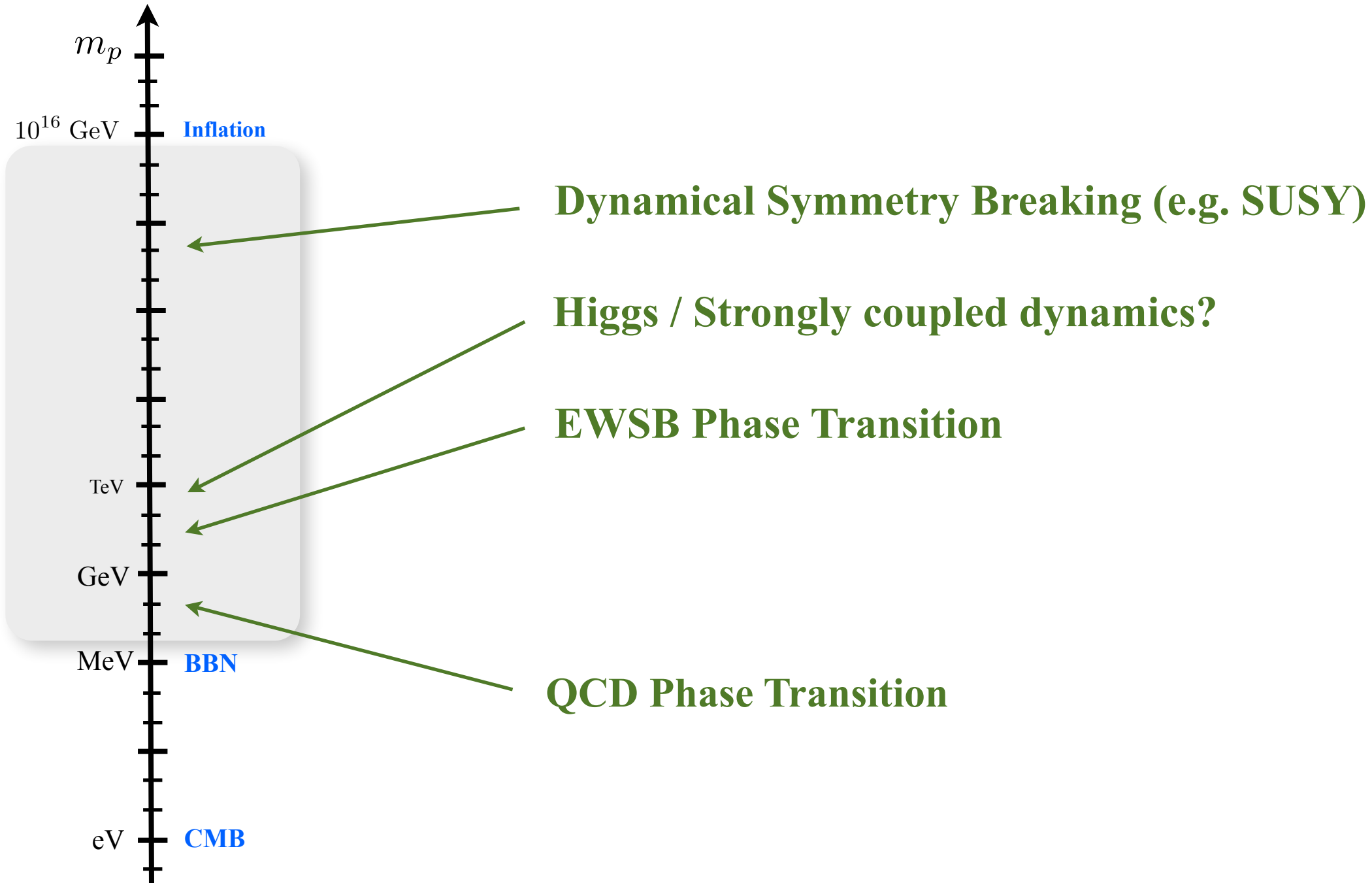
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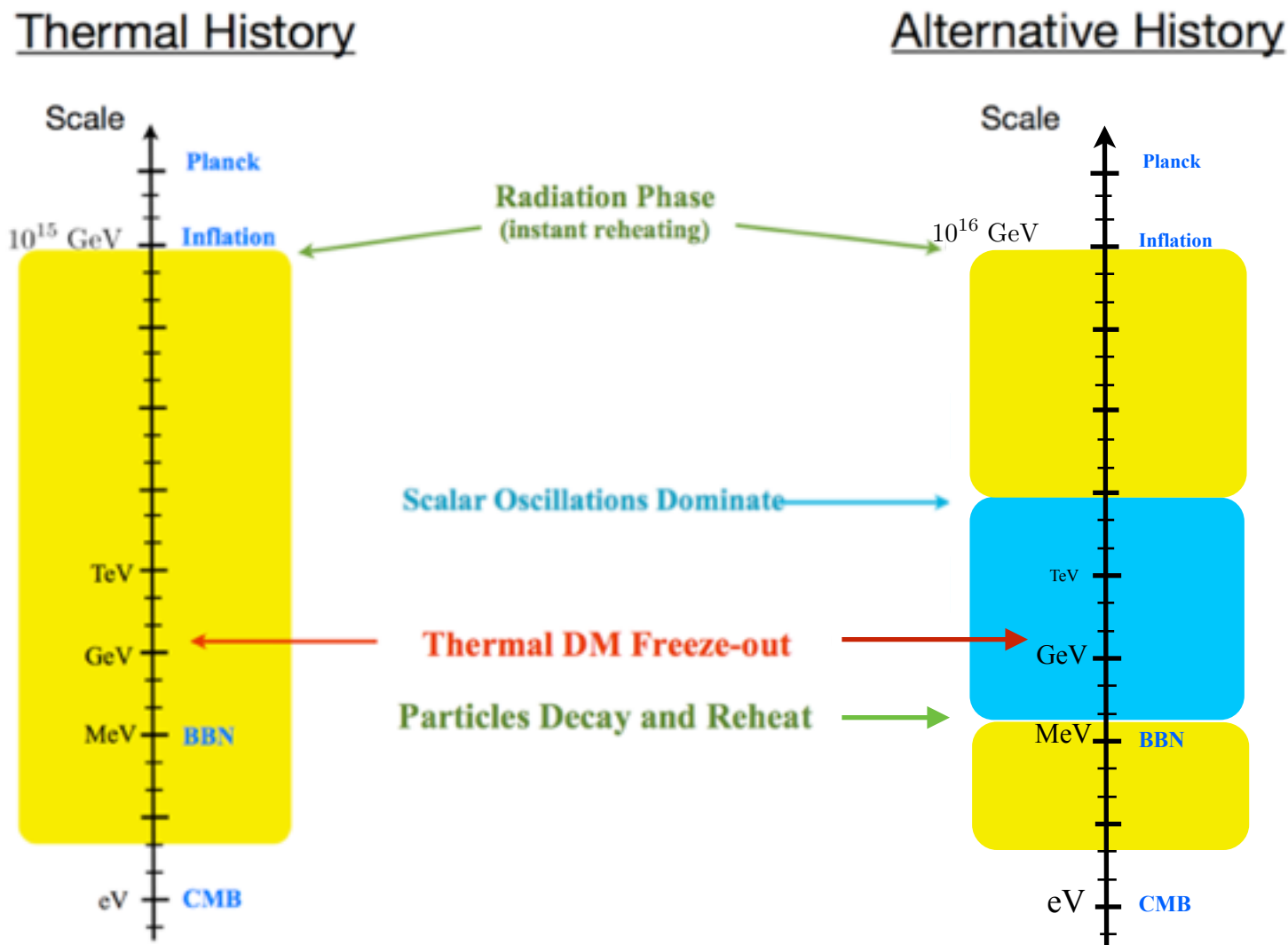
Post Inflation?



Cosmic Dark Ages



Can we probe the cosmic Dark Ages?



We've seen a number of reasons to consider a "non-thermal" alternative history.
See talks by Allahverdi, Cicoli, and Sinha

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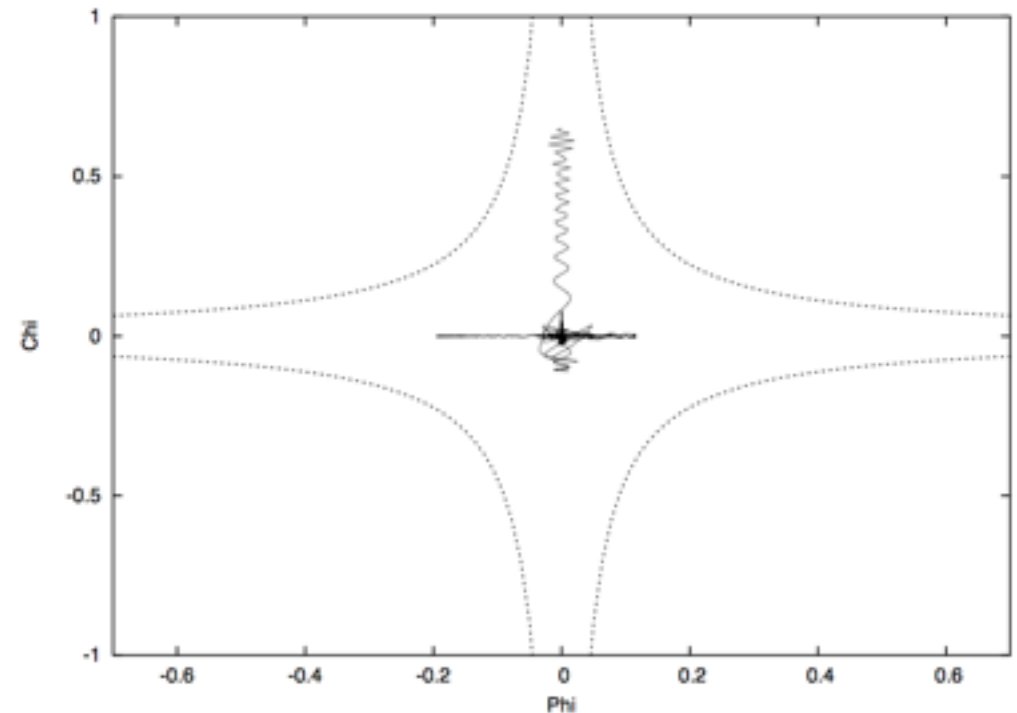
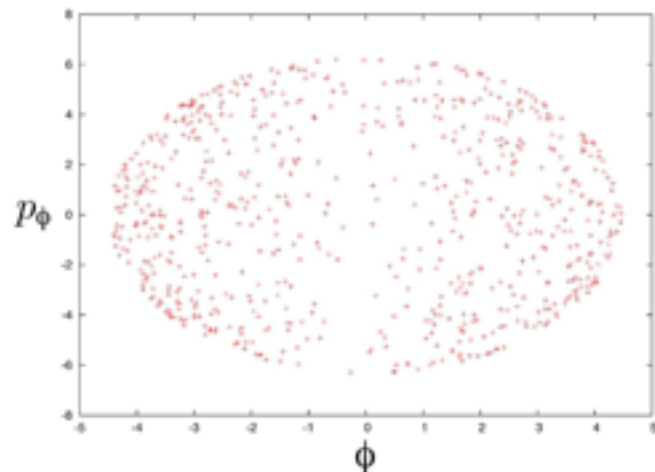
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At least one scalar with shift
symmetry expected.
(required for UV to decouple!)



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Motivation from model building

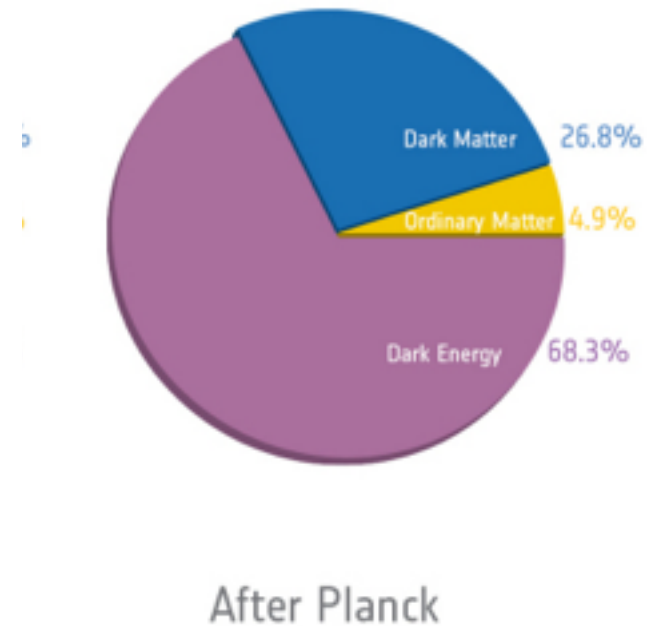
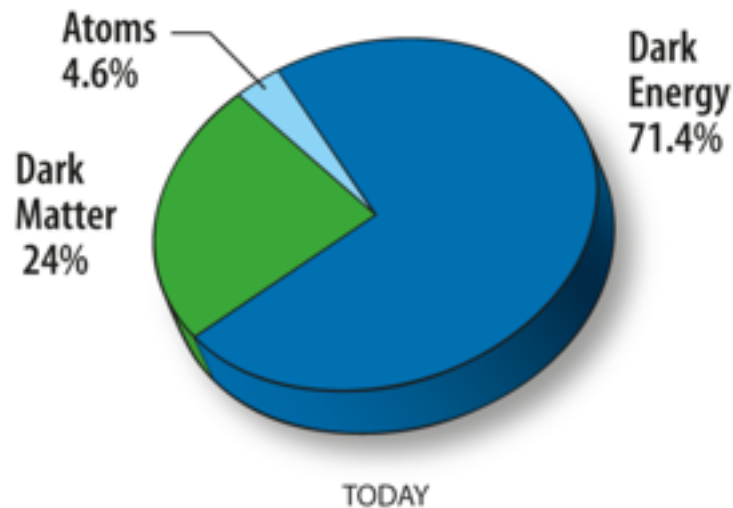
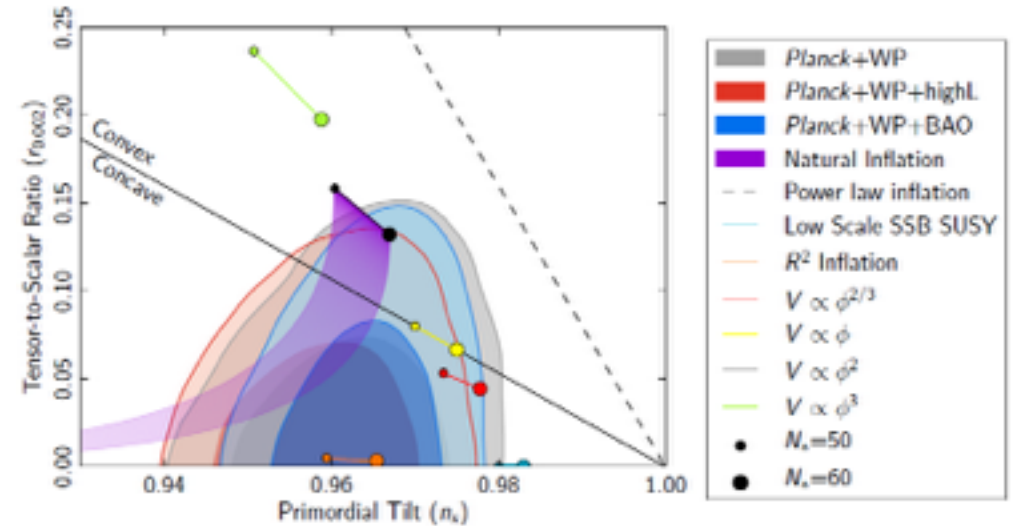
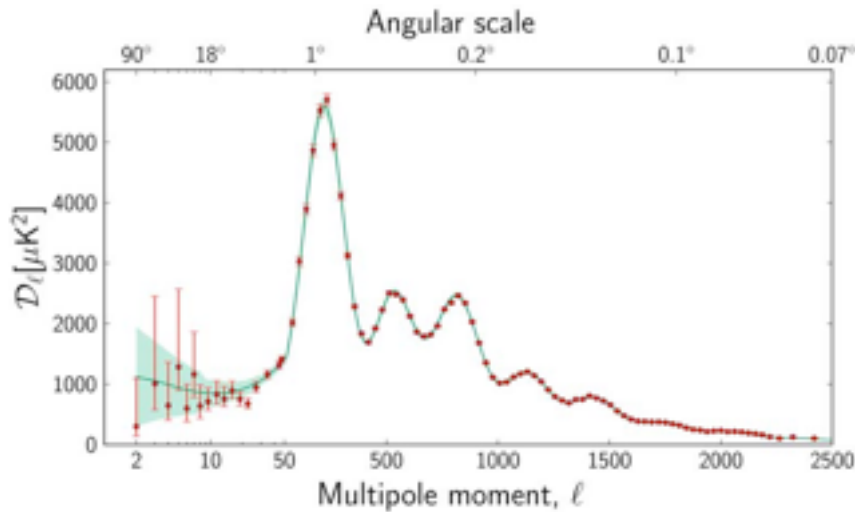
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with G. Kane, A. Pearce, et. al. ([Arxiv: 0807.1508](#))

(see talks by Allahverdi, Cicoli, and Sinha)

Another Motivation?

We have achieved an impressive level of precision within early and late universe cosmology



Inflation was simple

Non-gaussianity is small $f_{NL} \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$

Still some motivation to keep searching

- 1. Different shapes could be important**
- 2. $f_{NL} = 1$ sets an important benchmark**

$$\mathcal{L} = \int d^4x \left[\frac{1}{2} \dot{\varphi}^2 - V(\varphi) + \frac{c}{M^2} (\partial\varphi)^4 + \dots \right]$$

However,

simple single field inflation can account for the data.

BICEP: Inflation is UV Sensitive

IF BICEP is confirmed:

Simplest interpretation implies an energy scale of inflation of 10^{16} GeV

Good: **Inflation probes GUT / String Scale Physics**
(also: gravity waves!)

Bad: **Difficult to build self consistent models.**

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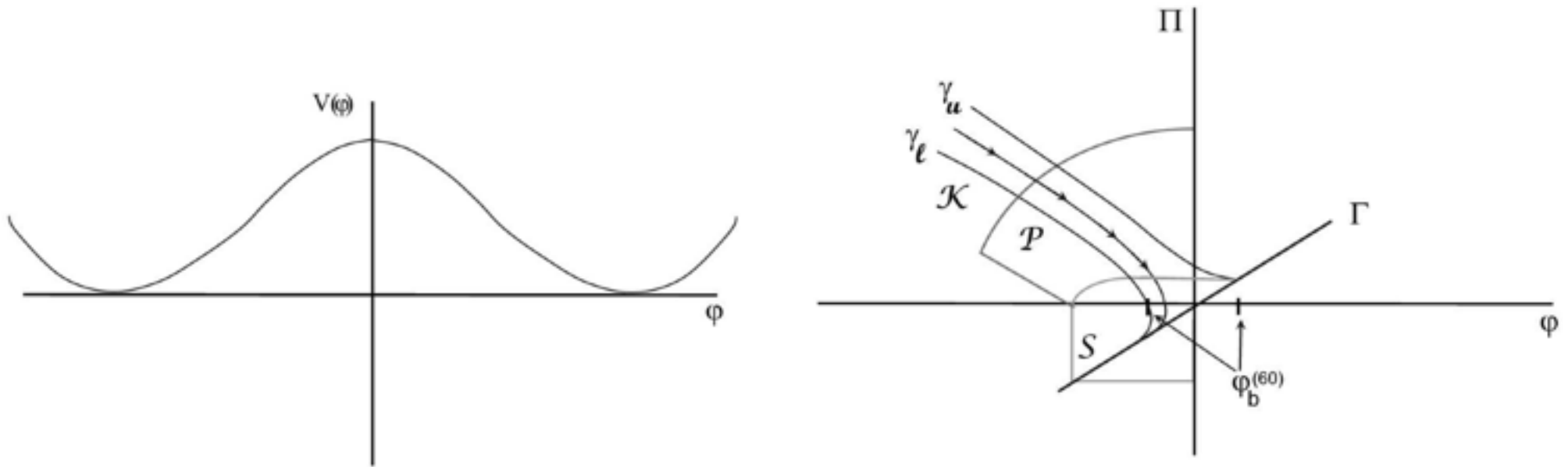
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$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{eff}}(\phi) = -\frac{1}{2}(\partial\phi)^2 - \frac{1}{2}m^2\phi^2 - \frac{1}{4}\lambda\phi^4 - \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} \left[\lambda_p\phi^4 + \nu_p(\partial\phi)^2 \right] \left(\frac{g\phi}{\Lambda} \right)^{2p} + \dots,$$

**Many of these operators can spoil inflation,
particularly if $r=0.2$ (require large field models)**

$$\hat{\mathcal{O}}_6 \subset \frac{\phi^6}{\Lambda^2} \rightarrow \frac{\langle \phi^4 \rangle \phi^2}{\Lambda^2} \sim \frac{V_0}{m_p^2} \phi^2 = H^2 \phi^2$$

Even without BICEP, large field models preferred



Small field models require tuning of initial conditions

shown long-ago:

D. S. Goldwirth, Phys. Lett. B 243, 41 (1990)

S.W. with R. Brandenberger, G. Geshnizjani (hep-th/0302222)

Successful Inflation?

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1. **Accept infinite fine tuning**

OR

2. **Impose shift symmetry**

$$\phi \rightarrow \phi + c$$

Even that is not enough, radiative / gravity corrections generically restore problem.

(imply Hubble scale mass)

Need additional symmetry, e.g. SUSY can help.

SUSY and Cosmology

Case One: Field resides within inflaton multiplet

$$X \subset x = \varphi + i\sigma$$

Case Two: Field and inflaton in different multiplets

$$x_1 = \varphi + i\varphi_2$$

$$x_2 = \sigma + i\sigma_2$$

“Split Spectrum” $m_{3/2} \sim H_I$

$m_I < H_I$ “Higgs”

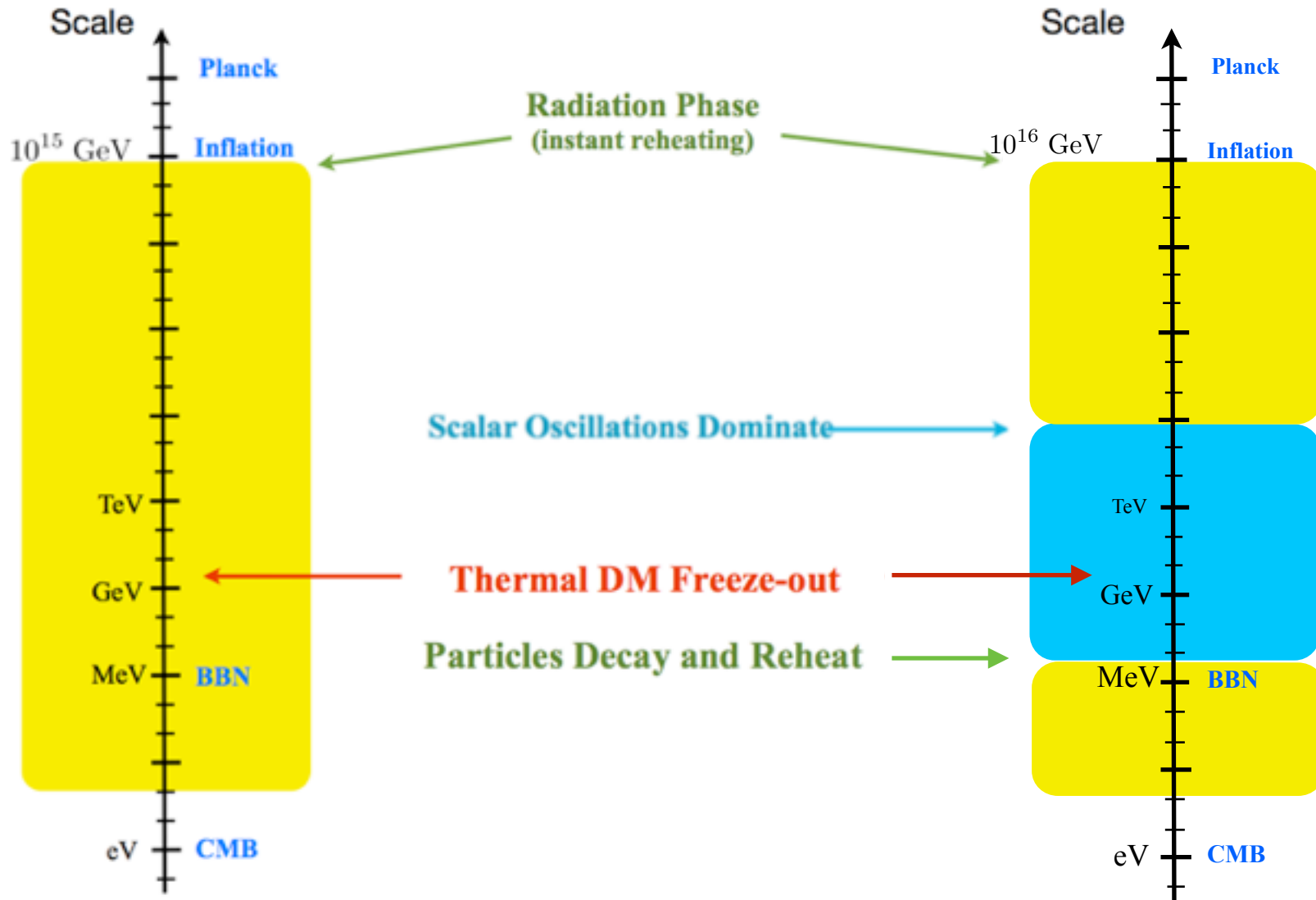
$m_\sigma \sim H_I$ “Squarks”

Upshot:

Consistent Inflation requires new, shift symmetric scalars with additional symmetry (like SUSY)

Thermal History

Alternative History



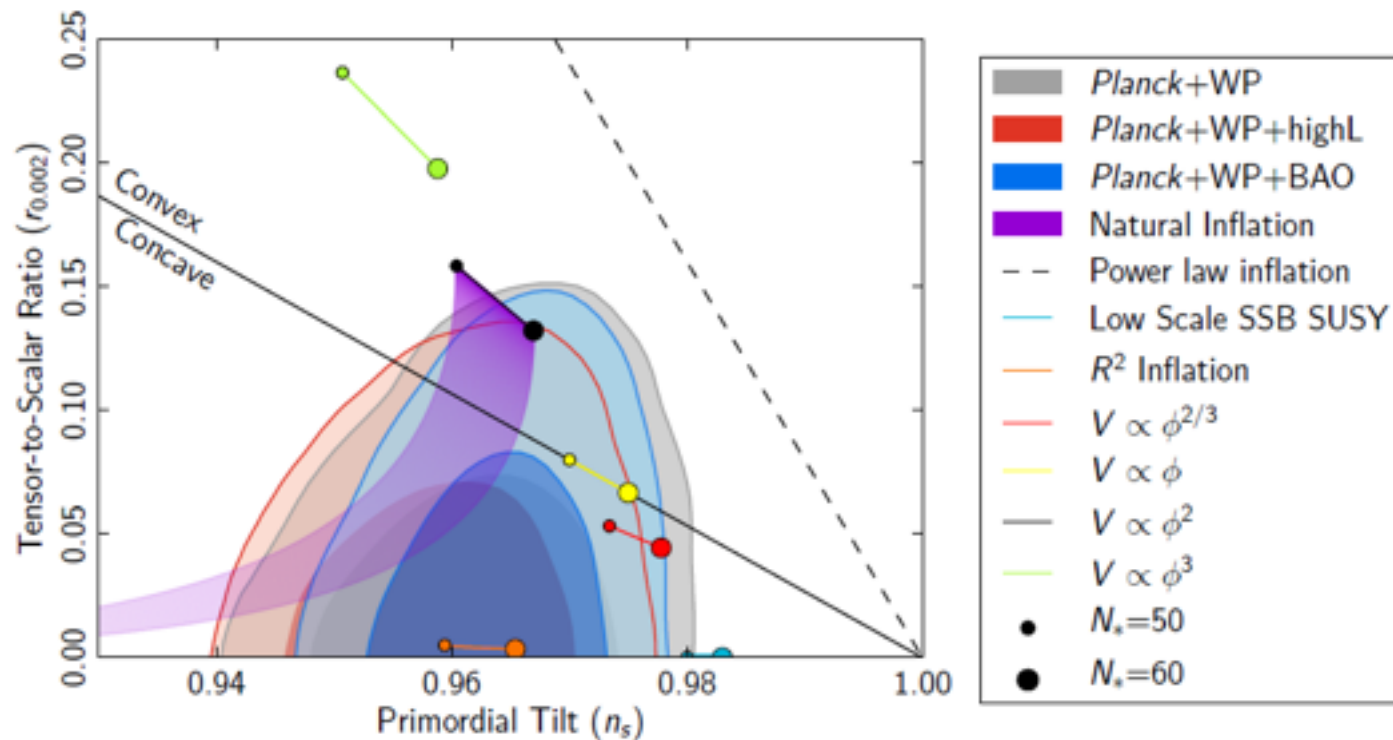
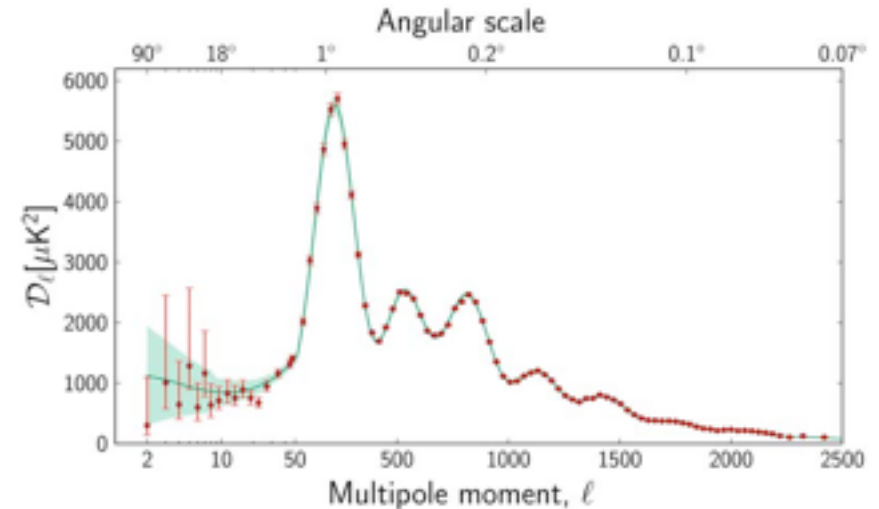
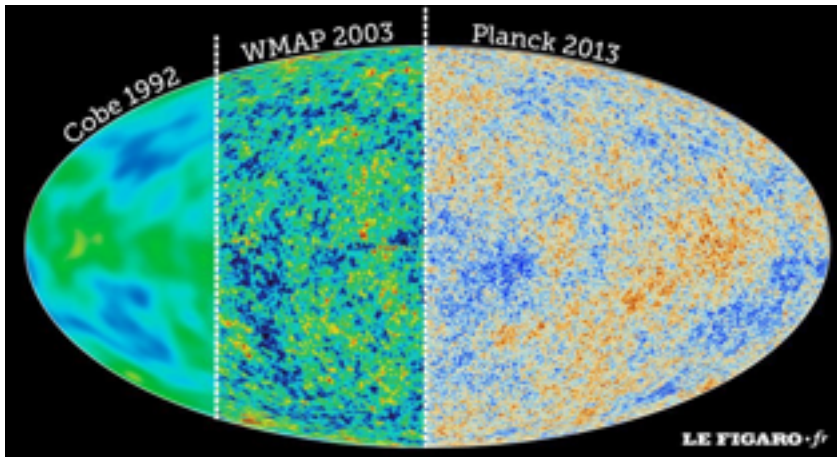
We have seen a number of arguments for alternatives to a thermal history

Plan for rest of talk

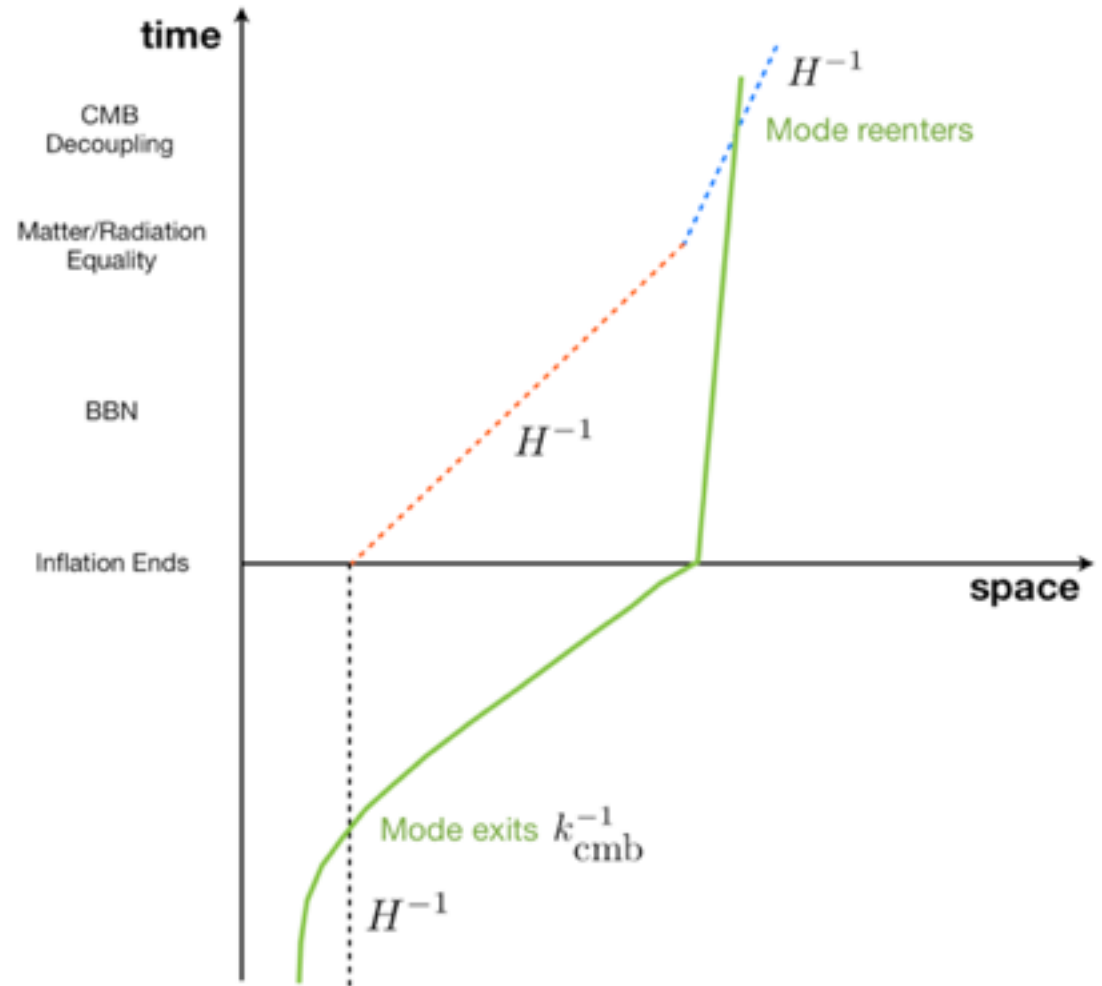
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Planck has constrained models of inflation to an impressive level of accuracy



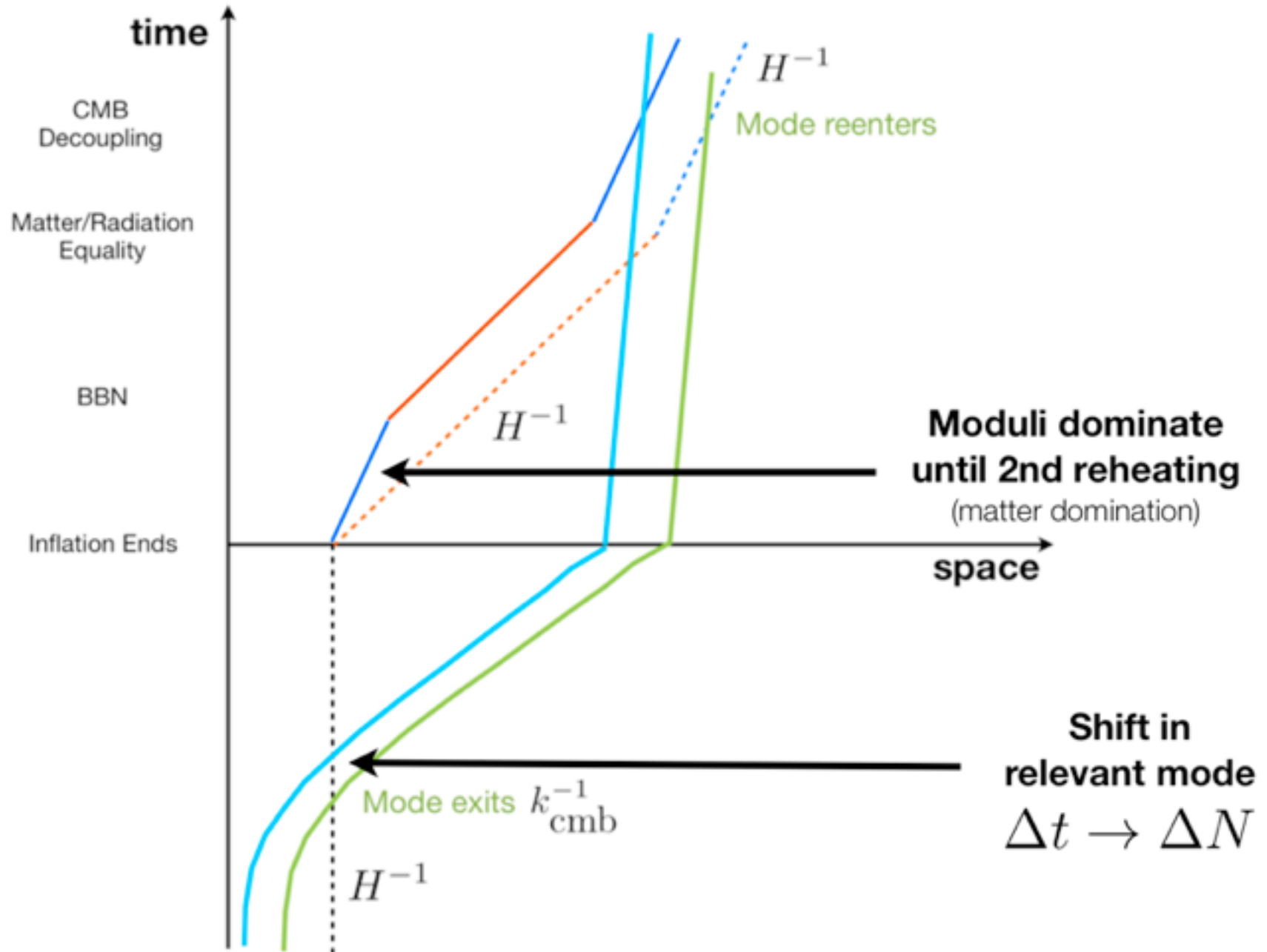
There is an uncertainty in matching observable modes today with a particular inflationary model during inflation (related to scale of inflation and how it ends)



Matching Equation

$$N(k, w) \simeq 71.21 - \ln \left(\frac{k}{a_0 H_0} \right) + \frac{1}{4} \ln \left(\frac{V_k}{m_p^4} \right) + \frac{1}{4} \ln \left(\frac{V_k}{\rho_{end}} \right)$$

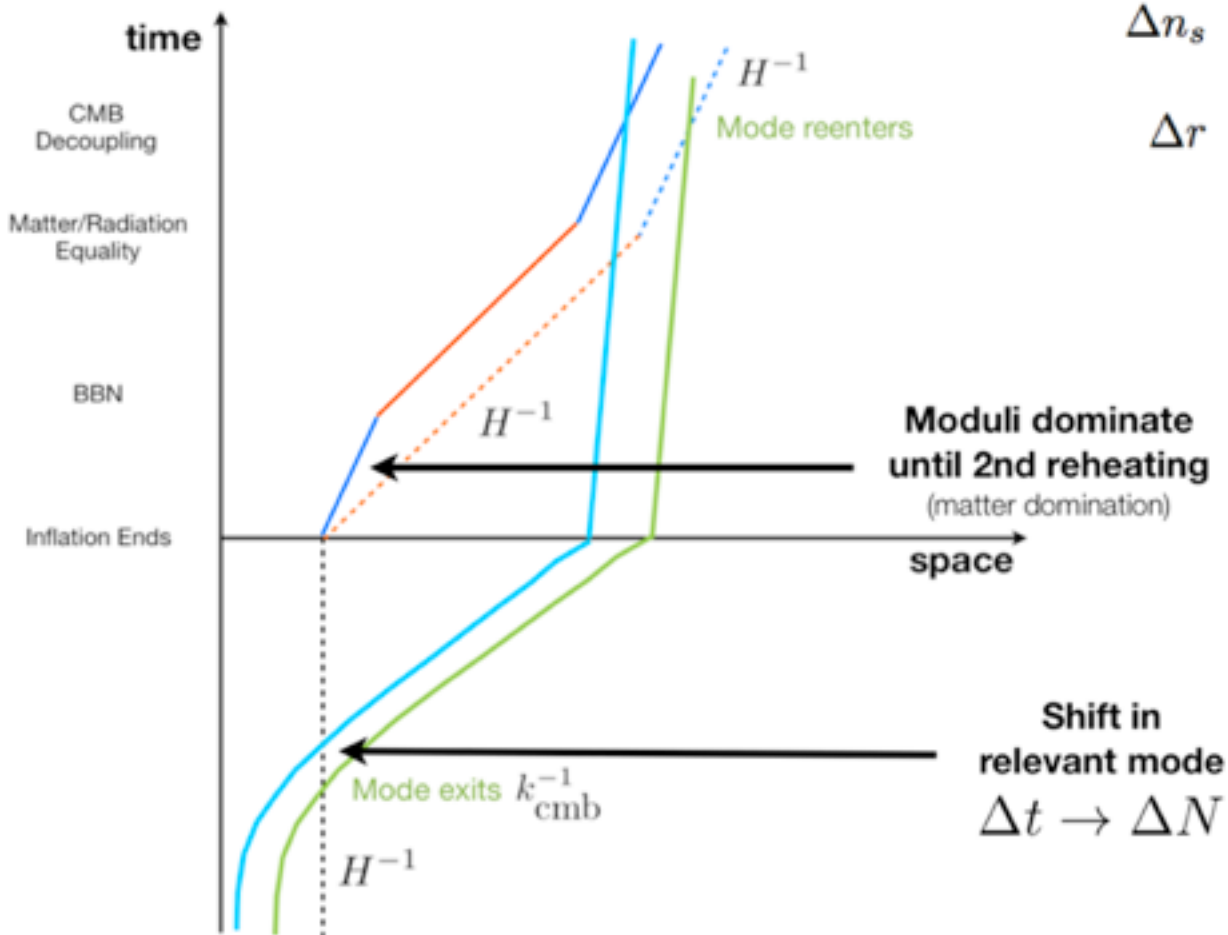
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Additional change from standard case

$$\Delta N = -10.68 + \frac{1}{18} \ln \left[\left(\frac{g_*(T_r^\sigma)}{10.75} \right) \left(\frac{T_r}{3 \text{ MeV}} \right)^4 \left(\frac{m_p}{\Delta\sigma} \right)^3 \right]$$



$$\Delta n_s = (n_s - 1) \left[-\frac{5}{16}r - \frac{3}{64} \frac{r^2}{n_s - 1} \right] \Big| \Delta N,$$

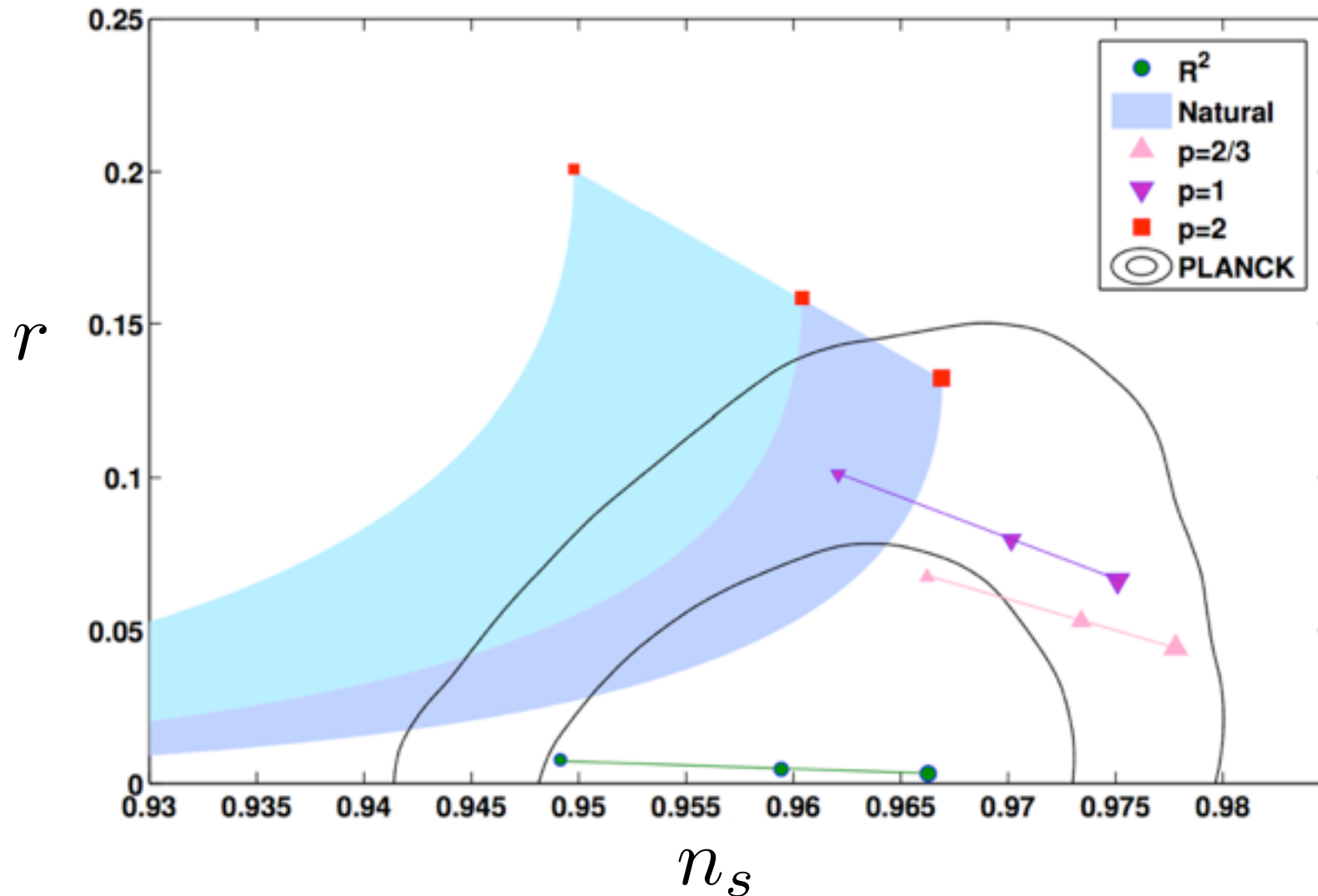
$$\Delta r = r \left[(n_s - 1) + \frac{r}{8} \right] \Big| \Delta N.$$

$$\Delta N_{\text{total}} \simeq 20$$

More freedom for inflationary constraints with SUSY

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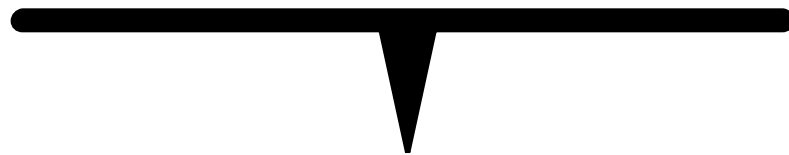


Uncertainty due to reheat temperature

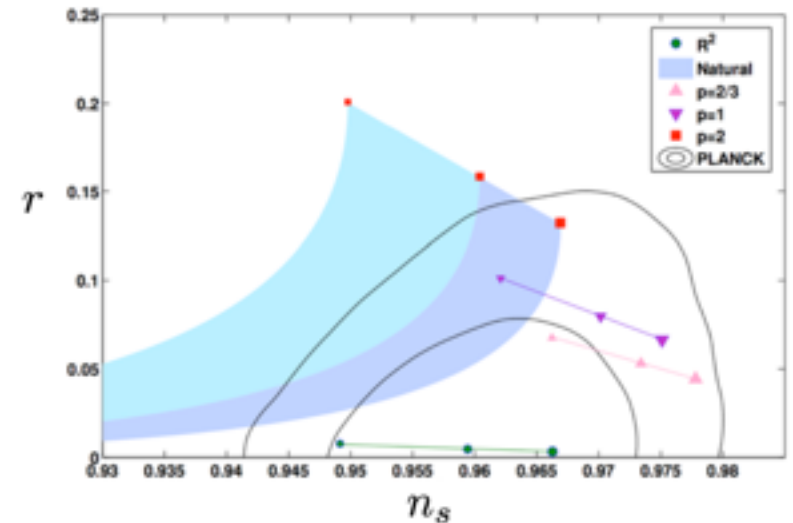
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Maximum of ~ 10



Establish bounds on reheat temperature?

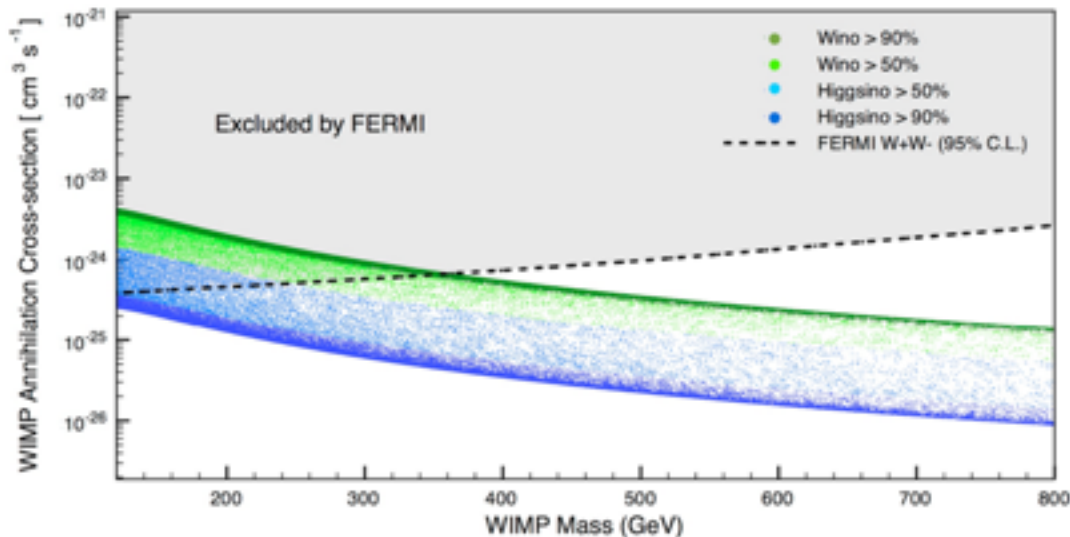
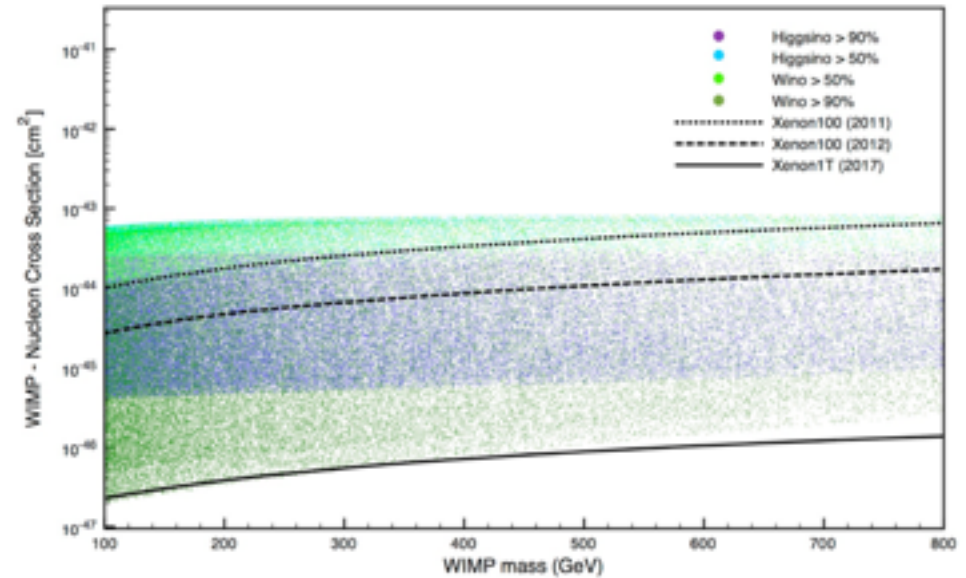
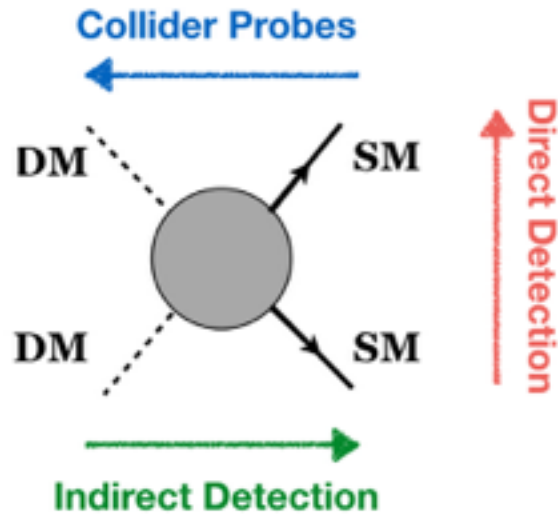


Restrict Inflation Models

Reheat temperature and Non-thermal Dark Matter

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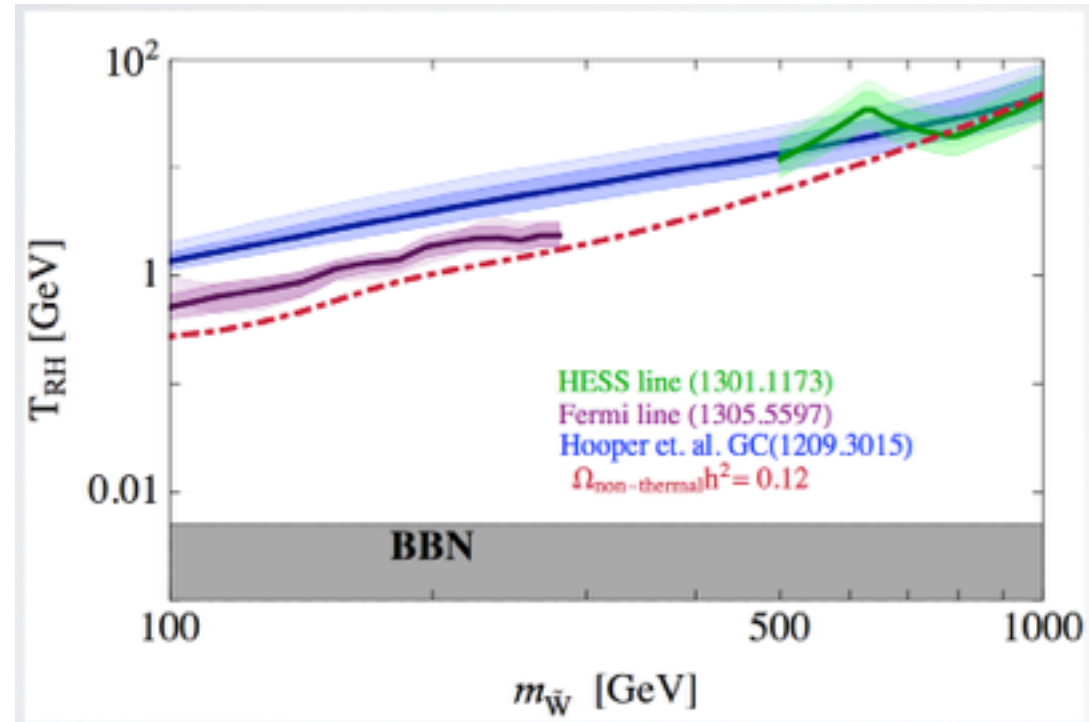
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See also: Cohen, Lisanti, Pierce, and Slatyer 1307.4082

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Fan and Reece 1307.4400

Wino in trouble,

Bounds on general neutralinos (Higgsino) will improve with Xenon1T

Not-so Non-thermal Universe and the CMB

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Initial displacement could be sub-Planckian

$$\Delta\sigma \sim M < m_p$$

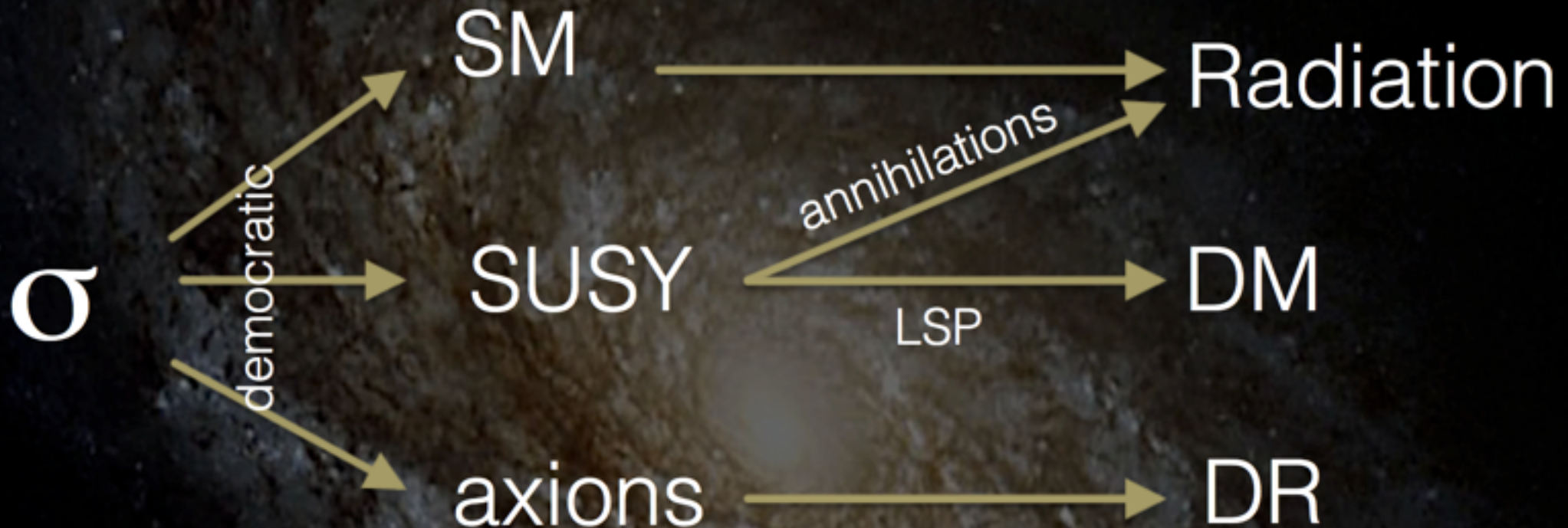
Operator lifting flat direction is important (model dependent)

$$V(\sigma) = 0 + m_{\text{soft}}^2 \sigma^2 - H_I^2 \sigma^2 + \frac{1}{M^{2n}} \sigma^{4+2n}$$

$$\langle\sigma\rangle \simeq M \left(\frac{H_I}{M}\right)^{\frac{1}{n+1}}$$

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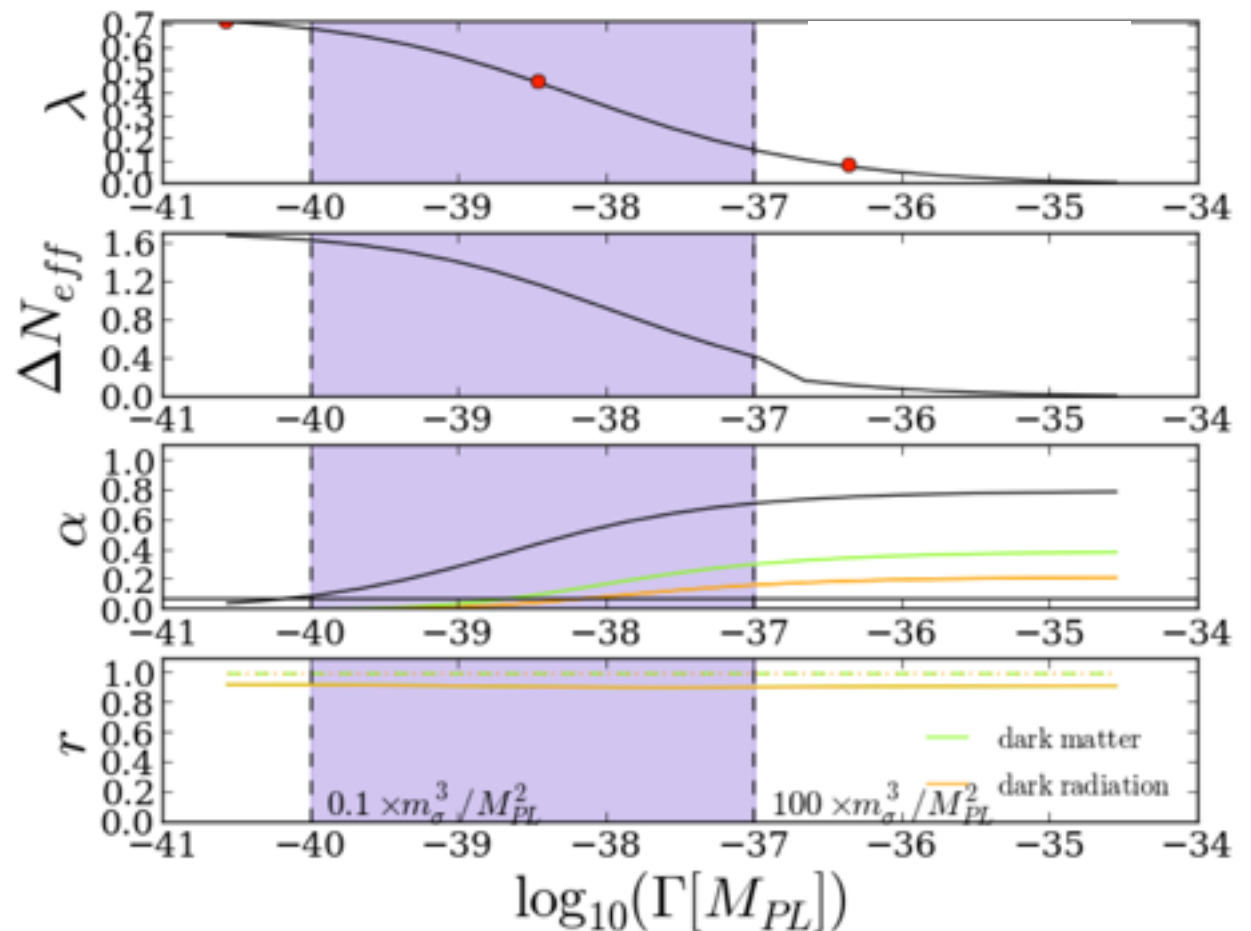
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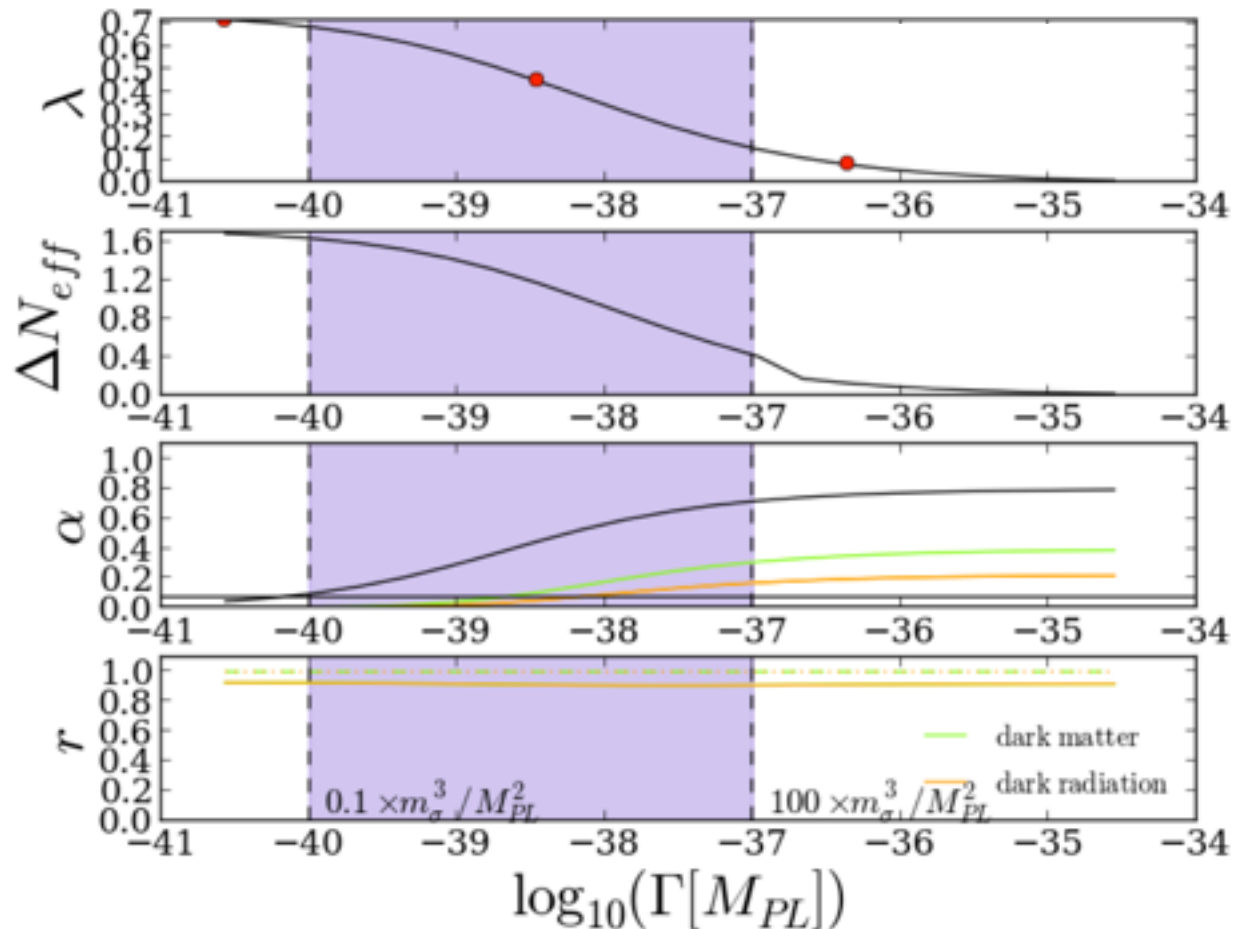
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$$t_d \sim H_d^{-1} \sim \Gamma_{\sigma}^{-1}$$

The longer the moduli live, the larger their
 contribution to the energy density

$$\rho_{\sigma} \sim a(t)\rho_r$$

Thus, more dark radiation (Neff), less isocurvature

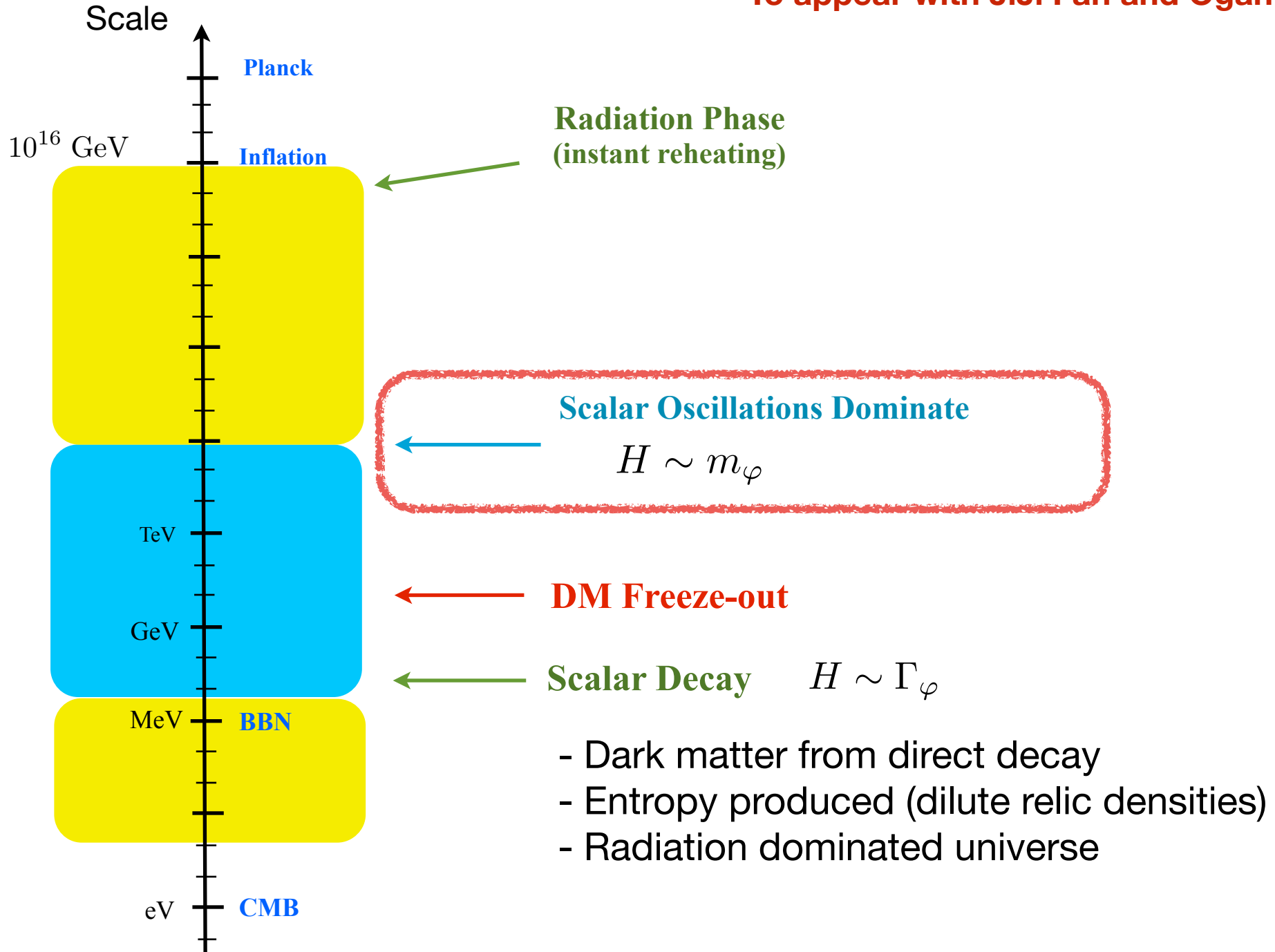
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Enhancement of Small Scale structure?

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Post Inflationary Evolution

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**Consider the dominant case
(with matter domination):**

$$\Delta\sigma \sim m_p \quad m_\sigma \sim 100 \text{ TeV}$$

After coherent oscillations begin $t_{\text{osc}} \sim H_{\text{osc}}^{-1} \sim m_\sigma^{-1}$

$$\dot{\rho}_\sigma = -3H\rho_\sigma - \Gamma_\sigma\rho_\sigma,$$

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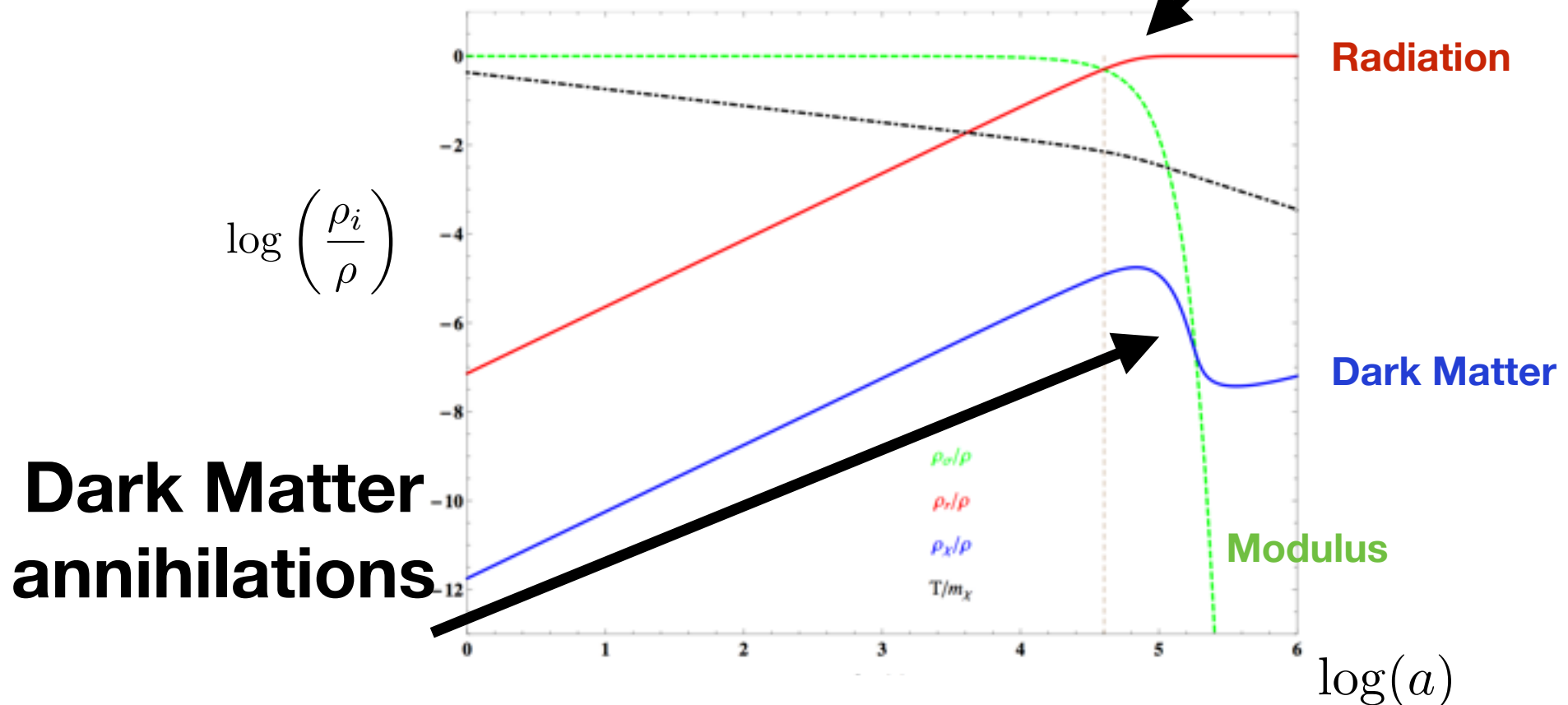
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“Reheating”



Non-thermal Histories and the Matter Power Spectrum

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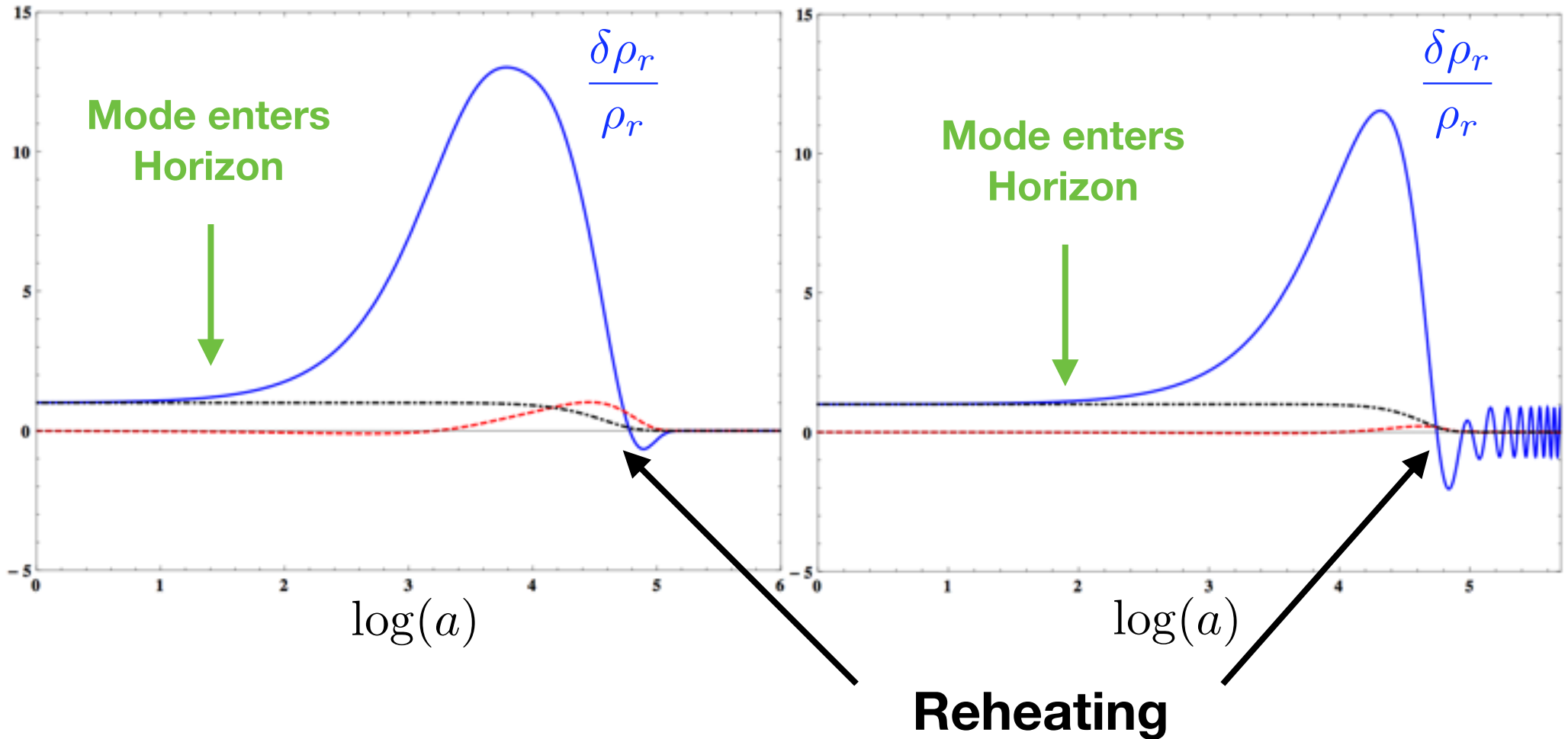
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Radiation Perturbation during Non-thermal Phase

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**Longer moduli phase, lower reheat temperature
= more suppression**

Matter Perturbation During Moduli Phase

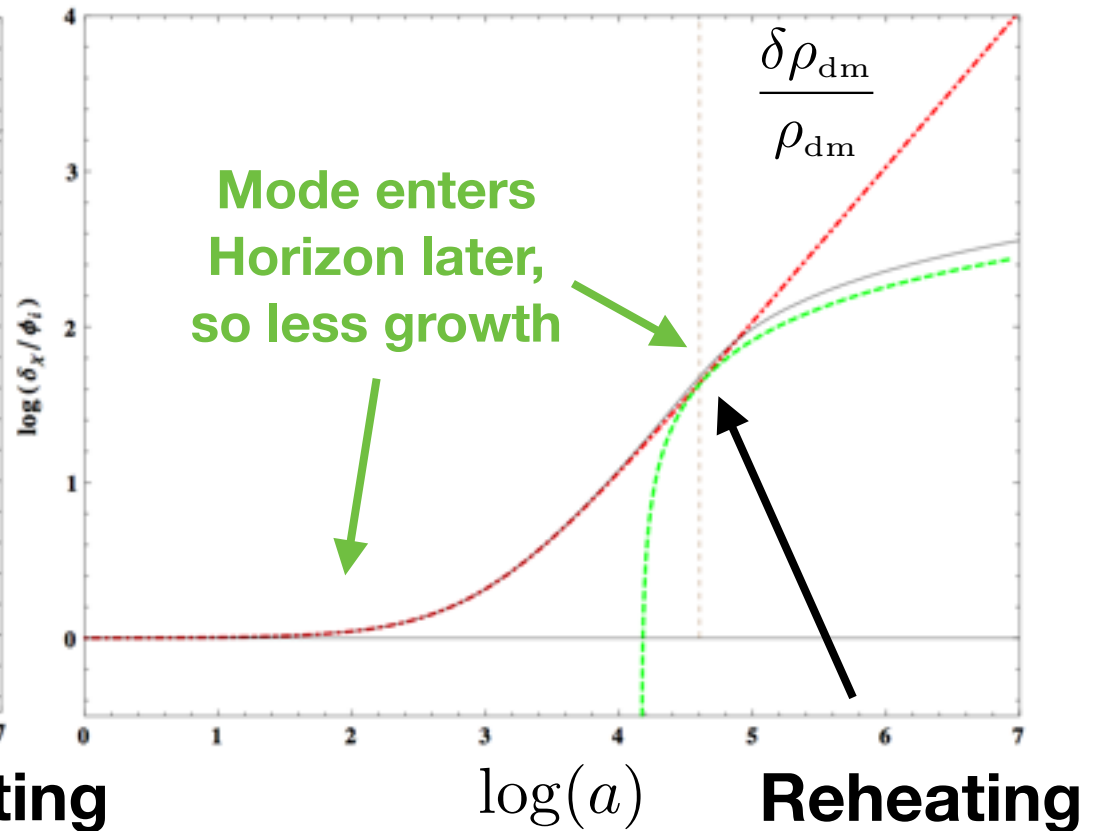
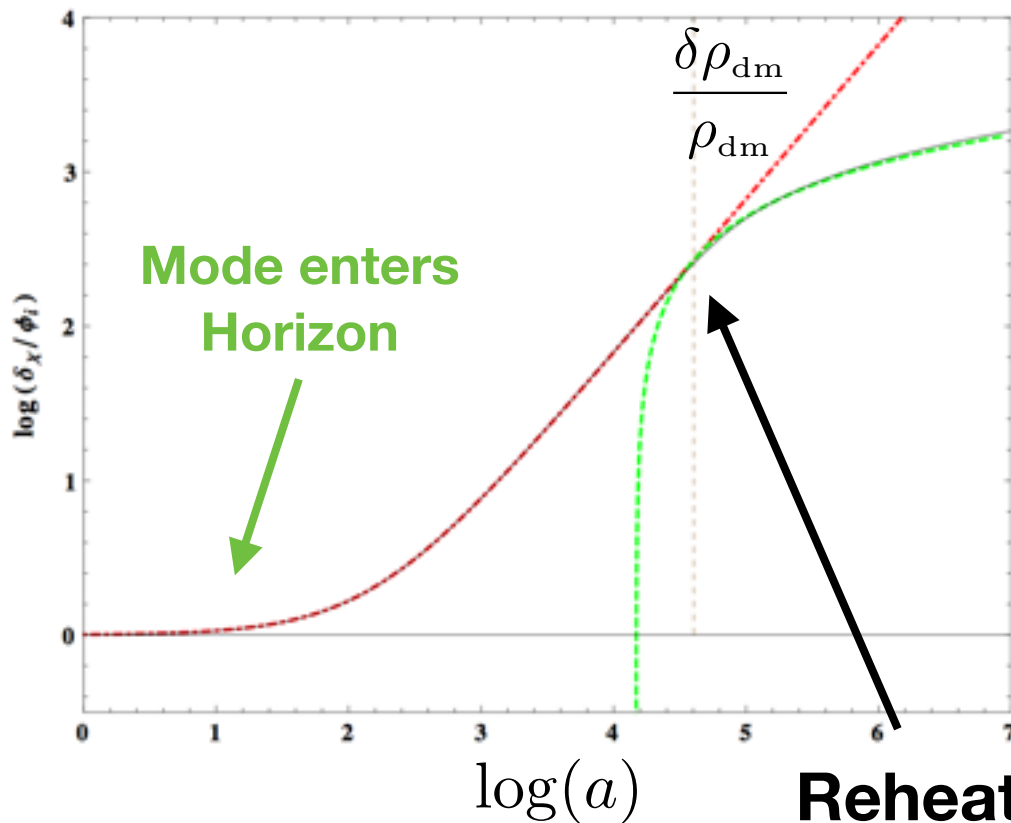
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Scalar domination

$$\frac{\delta\rho_{\text{dm}}}{\rho_{\text{dm}}} \sim a(t)$$

Radiation domination

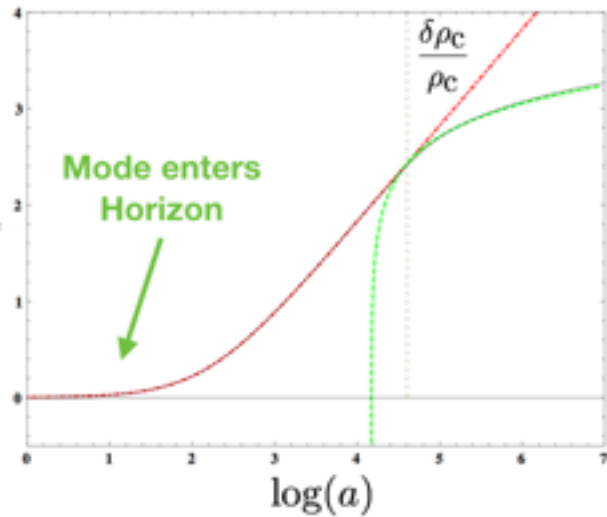
$$\frac{\delta\rho_{\text{dm}}}{\rho_{\text{dm}}} \sim \log a(t)$$



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Compare to: [Arxiv:1106.0536 Erickcek and Sigurdson](#)

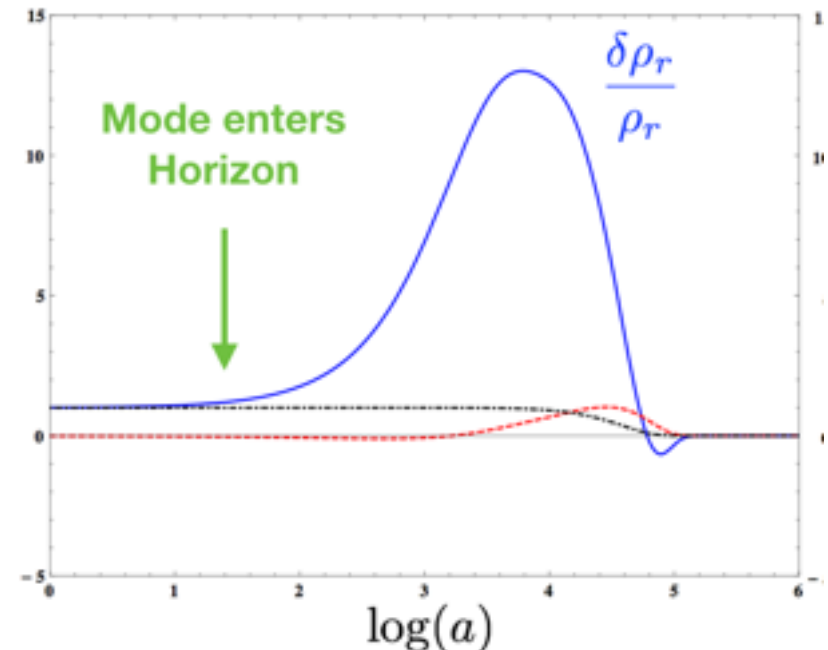


IF: A lot of the dark matter is produced before completed decay

THEN: Enhanced growth of structure on small scales possible.

IF: Most of the dark matter produced from thermal bath after reheating

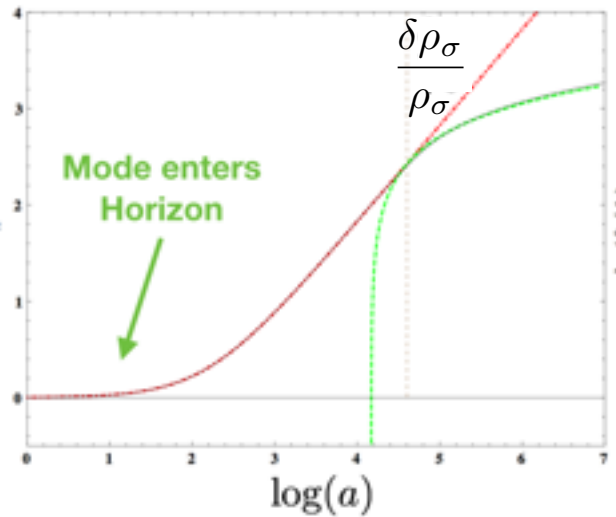
Then: New suppression scale to determine smallest primordial structures.



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Dominant Effect: Sub-Horizon scalar perturbations also grow! And they are converted to dark matter perturbations (enhanced structure possible)

All three possibilities lead to a new cutoff to consider for the matter power spectrum

$$\lambda \sim k_r^{-1} \sim H_r^{-1}$$

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Scales to determine smallest structures (linear regime):

Free-streaming Scale

After kinetic decoupling, dark matter can free-stream erasing structure

$$\lambda_{\text{fsh}}(t) = \int_{t_{\text{RH}}}^t \frac{\langle v \rangle}{a} dt,$$

Kinetic Decoupling and Acoustic Oscillations

Prior to kinetic decoupling, dark matter perts couple to radiation oscillations and erase structure.

$$\lambda_{kd} \sim H^{-1} \Big|_{T=T_{kd}}$$

Horizon Size at Reheating (non-thermal history)

Moduli domination can lead to suppression (or growth)

$$\lambda_r \sim H^{-1} \Big|_{T=T_r}$$

Largest scale (lowest temperature) determines cutoff

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It is difficult for the reheating effects to survive

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$$\frac{\lambda_{\text{fsh}}}{\lambda_r} \approx \begin{cases} 2\langle v_{rh} \rangle \left(\sinh^{-1} \sqrt{\frac{\sqrt{2}k_{rh}}{k_{eq}}} - \sinh^{-1} \sqrt{a_{eq}} \right), & \langle p_{rh} \rangle \ll m_\chi \\ \frac{a_{nr}}{a_{rh}} - 1 \approx \frac{\langle p_{rh} \rangle}{m_\chi}, & \langle p_{rh} \rangle \gg m_\chi. \end{cases}$$

$$\langle p_{rh} \rangle = \sqrt{\left(\frac{m_\sigma}{2}\right)^2 - m_\chi^2}.$$

$$m_\sigma \sim 100 \text{ TeV} \quad m_\chi \sim 100 \text{ GeV}$$

$$\lambda_{\text{fsh}} \gg \lambda_r$$

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Summary of our study:

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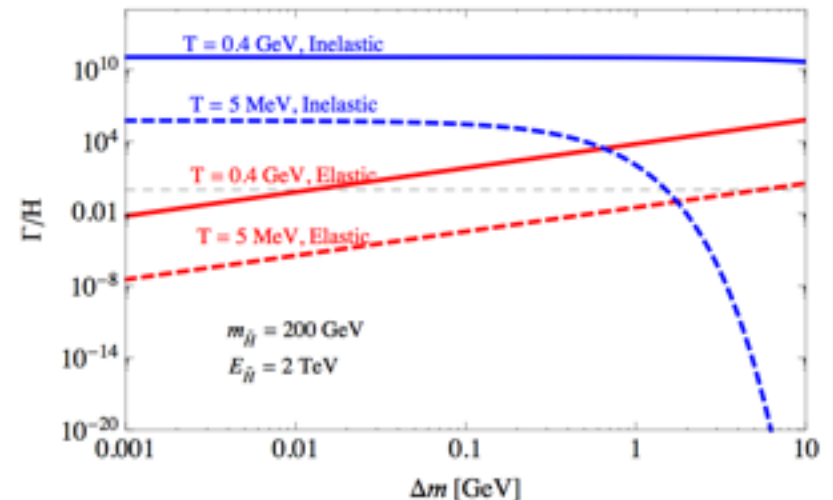
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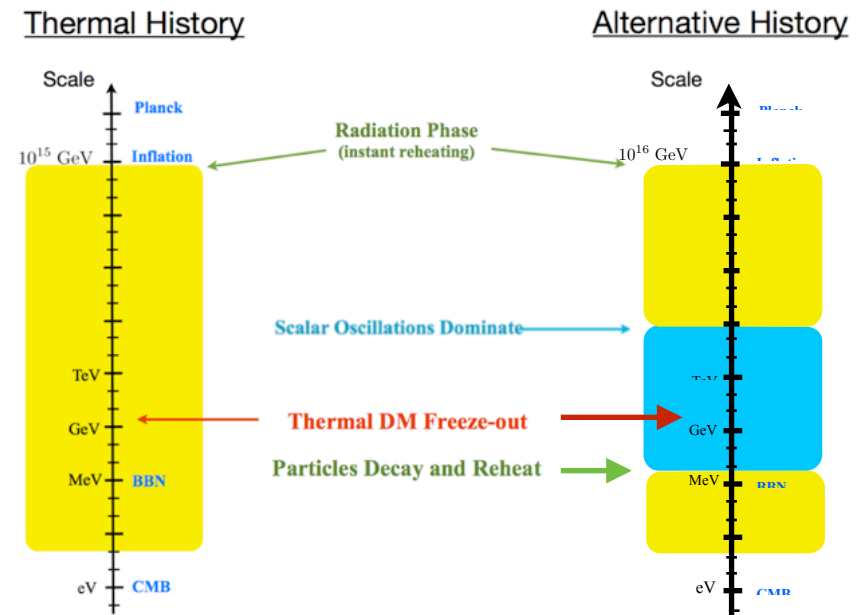
For Non-thermal SUSY Neutralinos

$$\lambda_{kd} \gg \lambda_r$$



Need moduli mass and dark matter nearly same, and still seems difficult to realize.

Concluding remarks



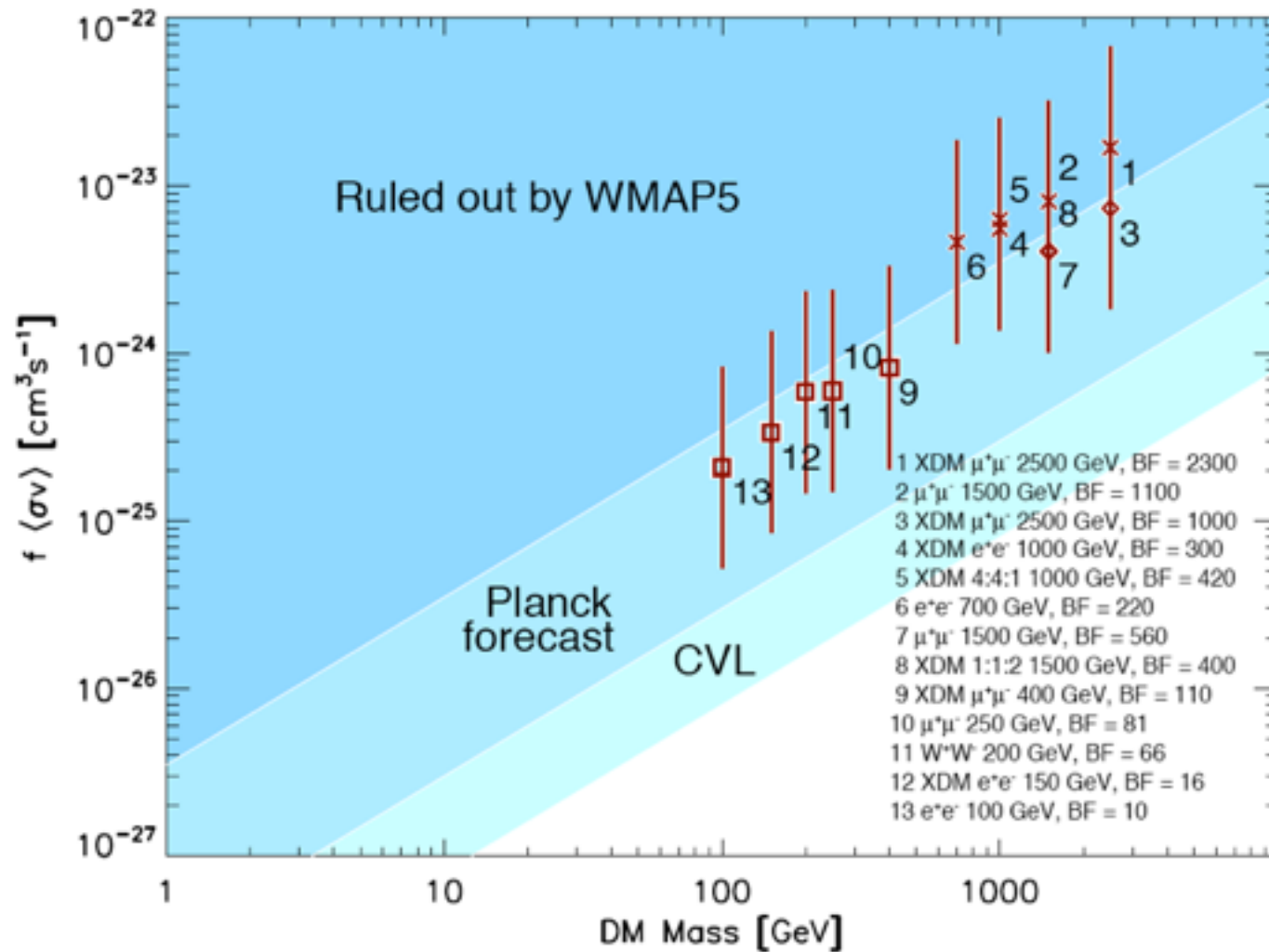
Alternatives to a strictly thermal post inflationary history are viable and well motivated by both inflationary model building and physics beyond the standard model.

It seems feasible to probe the cosmic “dark ages”, but it requires a complete approach — combining theory with dark matter, baryogenesis, and the CMB — into a complete picture of the early universe.

SUSY does not seem essential to anything that I discussed today, only symmetry breaking both in the early and late universe.

Backups

CMB: Last Scattering Surface and a Non-thermal History



SUSY Fine-Tuning after LHC

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Back

Baryogenesis?

$$\Omega_b \rightarrow \Omega_b \left(\frac{T_f}{T_r} \right)^3$$

AD Baryogenesis is typically too effective

Decay gives dilution needed to account for

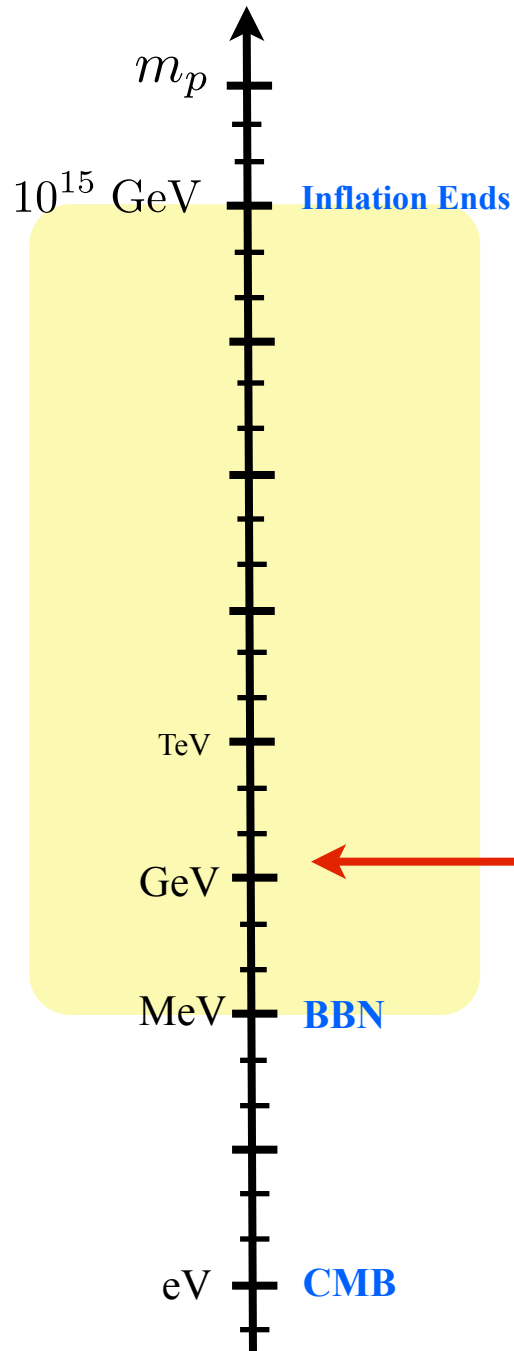
$$\frac{n_B}{n_\gamma} \simeq 4.5 \times 10^{-10} \times \left(\frac{T_R^X}{64 \text{ MeV}} \right) \left(\frac{75 \text{ TeV}}{m_\phi} \right) \left(\frac{\phi_0/X_0}{10^{-2}} \right)^2$$

also get unexpected result:

$$\frac{\Omega_B}{\Omega_\chi} \simeq 0.16 \times \left(\frac{100 \text{ GeV}}{m_\chi} \right) \left(\frac{T_R^X}{64 \text{ MeV}} \right)^2 \left(\frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle}{3 \times 10^{-7} \text{ GeV}^{-2}} \right) \left(\frac{75 \text{ TeV}}{m_\phi} \right) \left(\frac{\phi_0/X_0}{10^{-2}} \right)^2$$

so-called "Cosmic Coincidence"

Thermal History



Dark Matter Abundance from Thermal Production

$$\Omega_{dm} \equiv \frac{\rho_{dm}}{\rho_c} = 0.23 \times \left(\frac{10^{-26} \text{cm}^3 \cdot \text{s}^{-1}}{\langle \sigma v \rangle} \right)$$

Cosmological Measurement

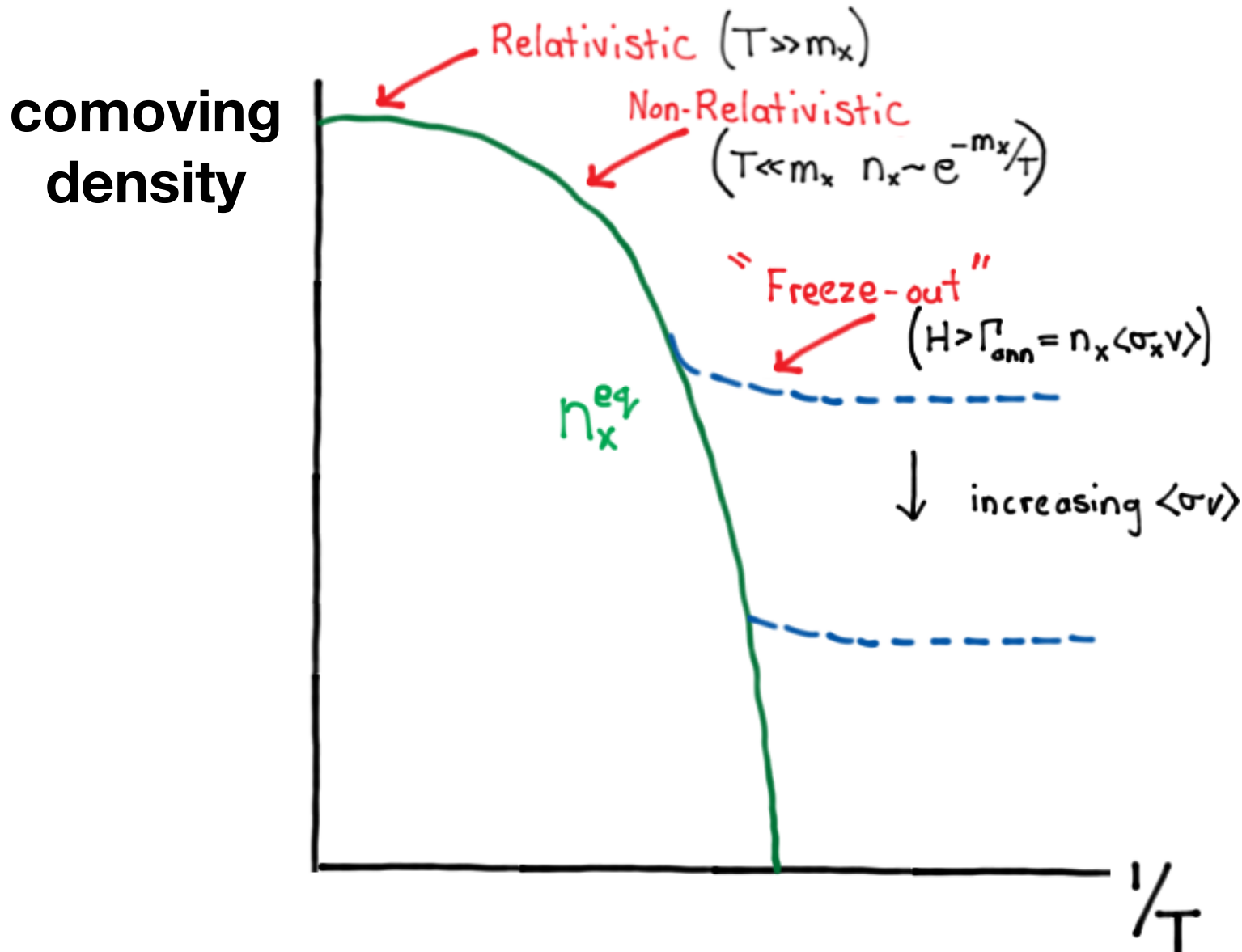
Weak Scale Physics

Dark Matter WIMPs?

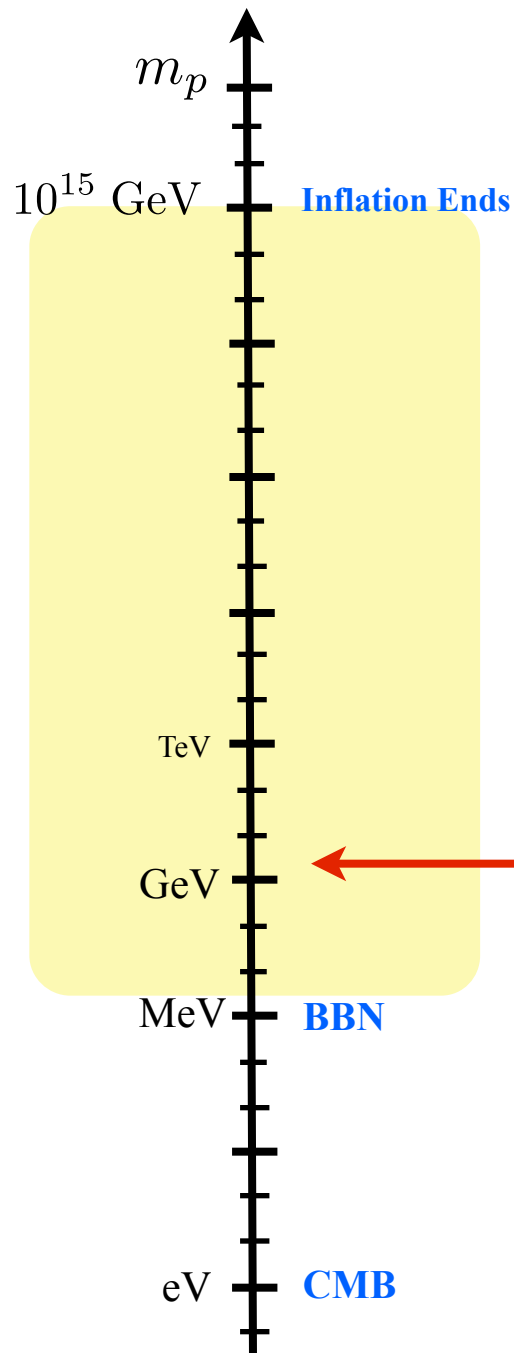
Thermal Relic Density

$$\Omega_x = \frac{\rho_x}{\rho_c} = 0.23 \times \left(\frac{10^{-26} \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}}{\langle \sigma v \rangle} \right)$$

$$\dot{n}_x + 3Hn_x = -\langle \sigma v \rangle (n_x^2 - n_{eq}^2)$$



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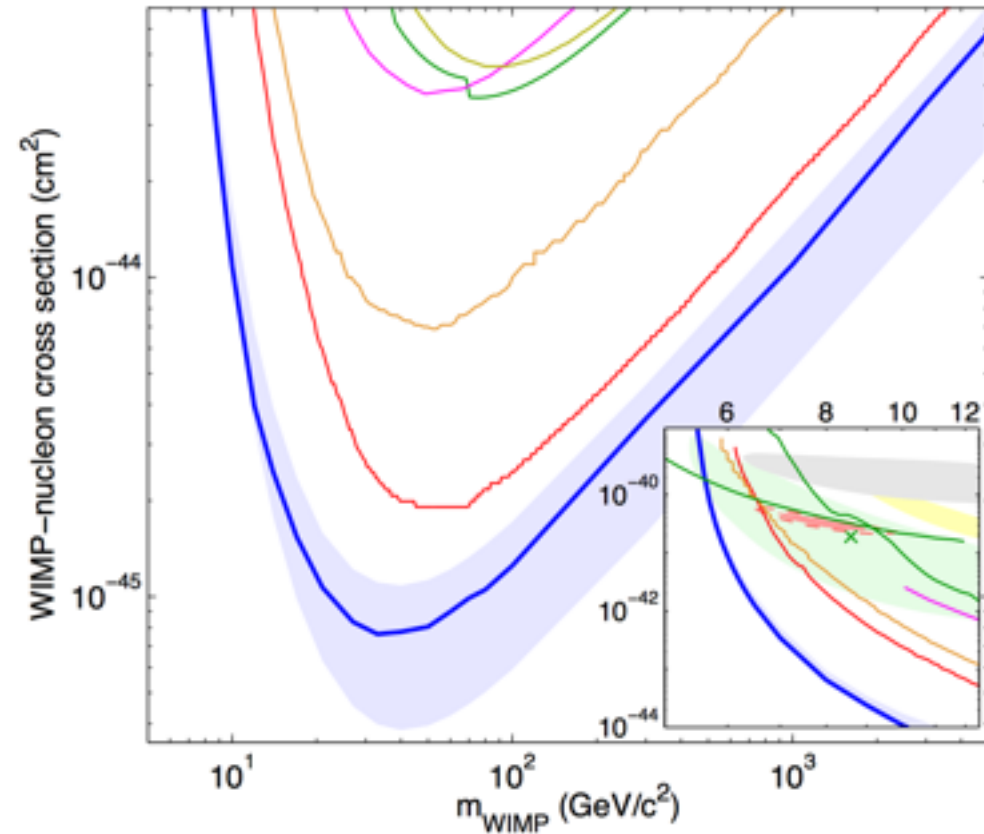
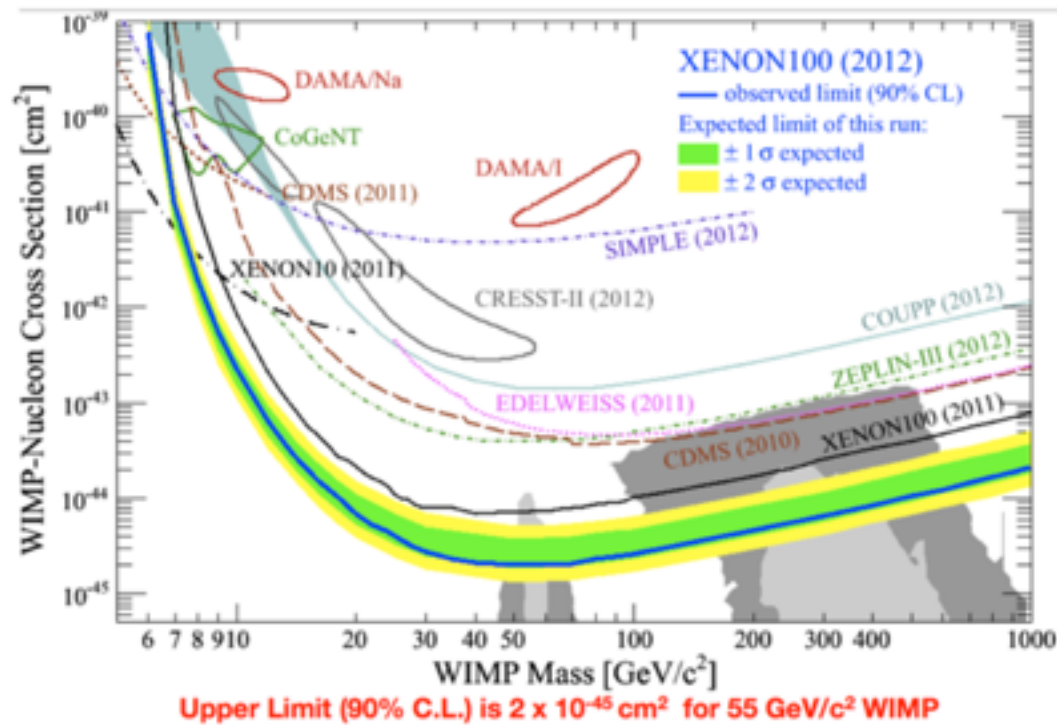
Weak Scale Physics

Dark Matter WIMPs?

Robust, simple, elegant.

New Lux Result

XENON100: New Spin-Independent Results



Approximate Moduli

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$$V_\varphi(T, H, \varphi) = 0$$

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Example:

$$V(T, H, \varphi) = 0 + m_{soft}^2 \varphi^2 - H^2 \varphi^2 + \frac{1}{M^{2n}} \varphi^{4+2n}$$

$$\langle \varphi \rangle \sim M \left(\frac{H}{M} \right)^{\frac{1}{n+1}} \quad H \gg m_{3/2} \sim \text{TeV}$$

$$\langle \varphi \rangle \approx 0 \quad H \ll M$$

$\Delta\Phi \rightarrow \Delta E \longrightarrow$ **Scalar Condensate**

Effect of Decaying Scalars

Dark Matter from Scalar Decay:

- Moduli generically displaced in early universe
- Energy stored in scalar condensate

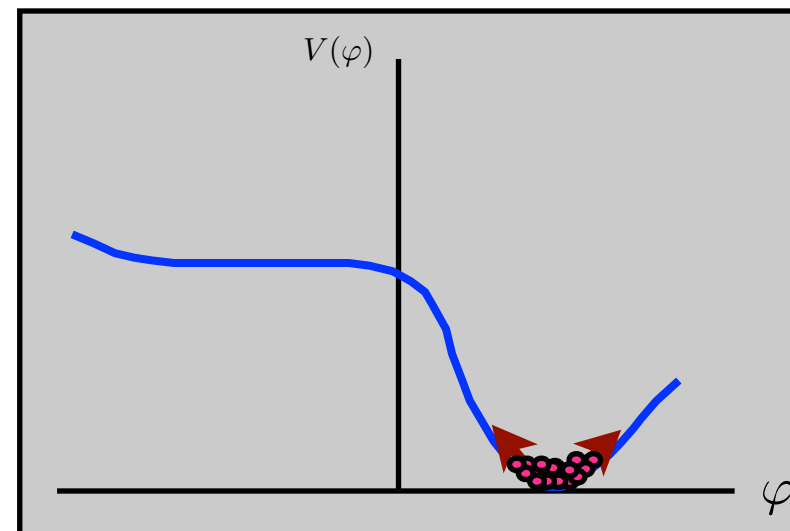
$$\Delta\Phi \rightarrow \Delta E$$

- Typically decays through gravitational coupling

$$T_r \simeq \left(\frac{m_\phi}{10 \text{ TeV}} \right)^{3/2} \text{ MeV}$$

- Large entropy production dilutes existing dark matter of thermal origin

$$\Omega_{cdm} \rightarrow \Omega_{cdm} \left(\frac{T_r}{T_f} \right)^3 \quad \text{Thermal abundances diluted}$$



Non-thermal Dark Matter from Light Scalars

$\Phi \rightarrow X$ Additional source of Dark Matter (after freeze-out)

Critical yield $n_c = \frac{3H}{\langle\sigma v\rangle} \Big|_{T_r}$

Two possibilities:

Sub-critical

$$n_X < n_c$$

No annihilations take place (yield preserved)

Super-critical

$$n_X > n_c$$

Rapid annihilation down to fixed point

Additional Source of Dark Matter from Scalar Decay

Super-critical case (attractor)

Given $T_r < T_f$ then dark matter populated non-thermally

$$\Omega_{cdm} \sim \frac{m_x}{T} \left(\frac{H}{T^2 \langle \sigma v \rangle} \right) \Big|_{T=T_f}^{T=T_r}$$

$$\Omega_{cdm}^{NT} = 0.23 \times \left(\frac{10^{-26} \text{cm}^3/\text{s}}{\langle \sigma v \rangle} \right) \left(\frac{T_f}{T_r} \right)$$

← Freeze-out temp
← Reheat temp

$$T_f \sim \text{GeV} \quad T_r \sim \text{MeV}$$

Can vary over 3 orders of magnitude -- Allowed values still imply weak-scale physics “WIMP Miracle” survives

The Cosmological Moduli Problem

Coughlan, Fischler, Kolb, Raby, and Ross -- Phys. Lett. B131, 1983
Banks, Kaplan, and Nelson -- Phys. Rev. D49, 1994

“ **Model Independent** properties and cosmological implications of the dilaton and moduli sectors of 4-d strings ”
Carlos, Casas, and Quevedo -- Phys. Lett. B318, 1993

$$V = e^{\frac{K}{m_p^2}} |DW|^2 - 3m_{3/2}^2 m_p^2$$

Shift symmetry

$$\Phi = \phi + ia \quad \longrightarrow \quad W \neq W(\Phi)$$

Zero vacuum energy, stabilize scalar, break SUSY (spontaneously)

$$\Delta V(\Phi) = m_{3/2}^2 m_p^2 f\left(\frac{\Phi}{m_p}\right)$$

$$m_\phi \sim m_{3/2} \sim \text{TeV}$$

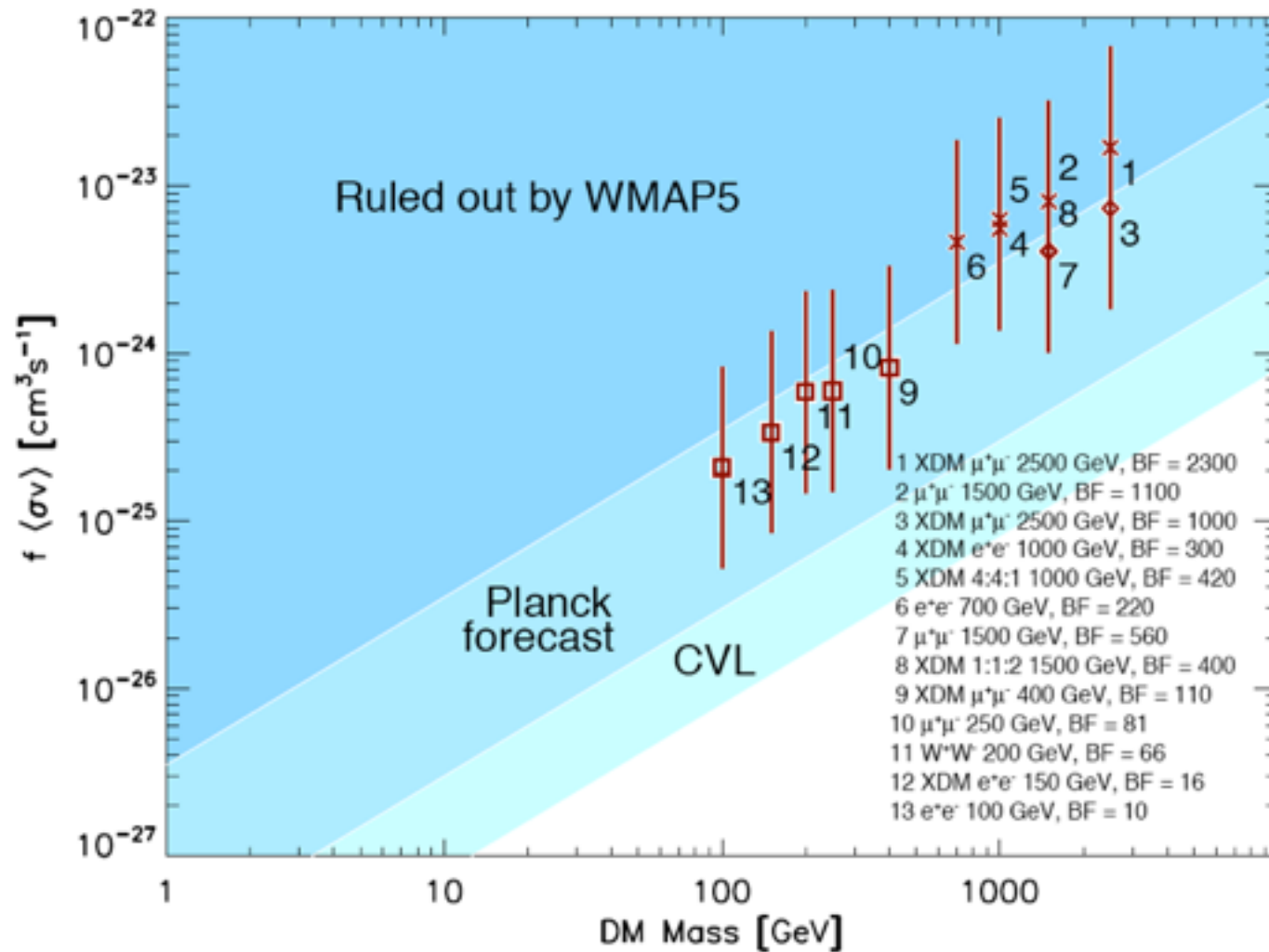
Slow-roll Inflation

$$P_s(k) = \frac{1}{24\pi^2 M_{\text{pl}}^4} \frac{V}{\epsilon} \Big|_{k=aH}, \quad n_s - 1 = 2\eta - 6\epsilon,$$

$$P_t(k) = \frac{2}{3\pi^2} \frac{V}{M_{\text{pl}}^4} \Big|_{k=aH}, \quad n_t = -2\epsilon, \quad r = 16\epsilon.$$

$$r = 16\epsilon = \frac{8}{M_{\text{pl}}^2} \left(\frac{\dot{\phi}}{H} \right)^2. \quad r = -8n_t.$$

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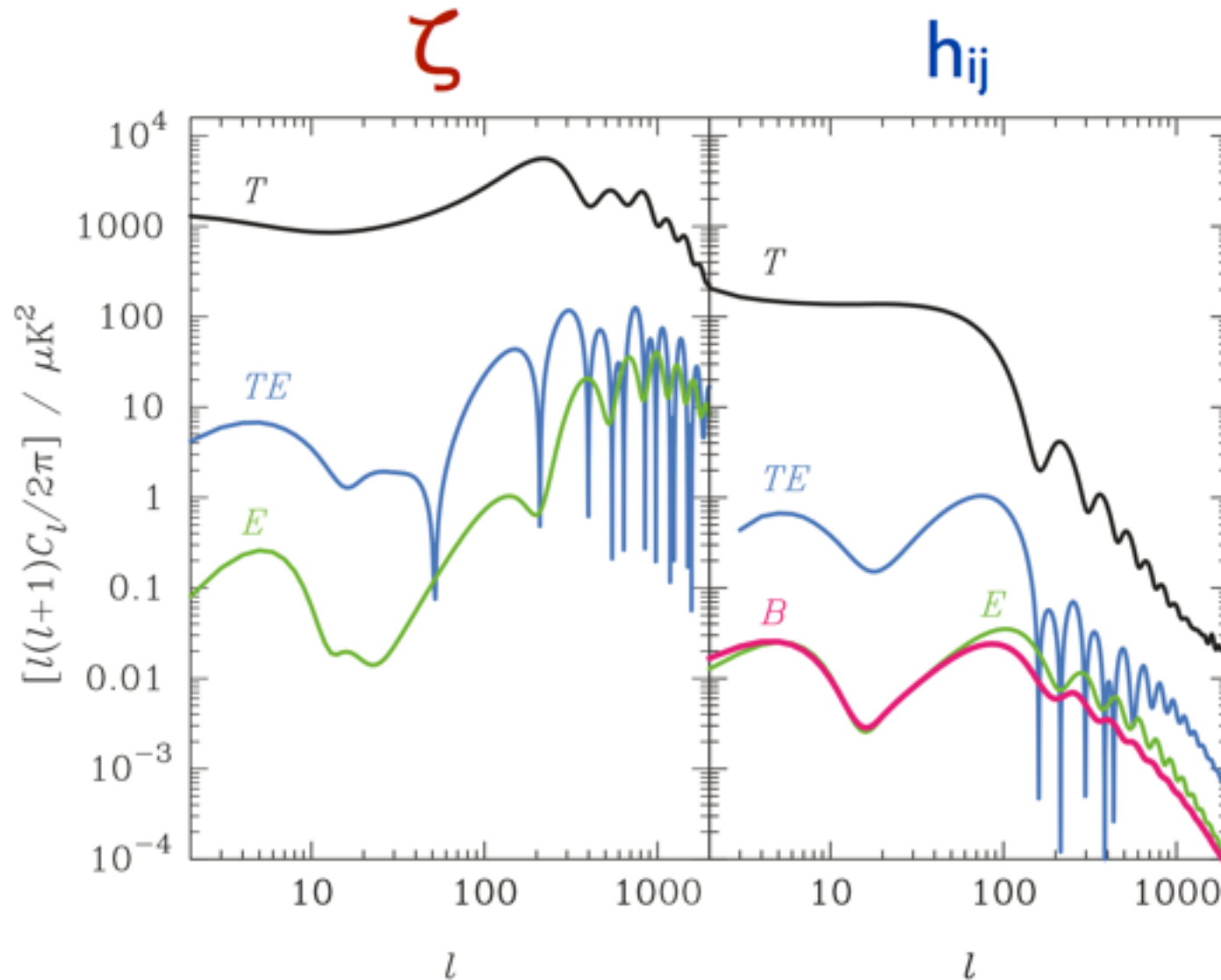
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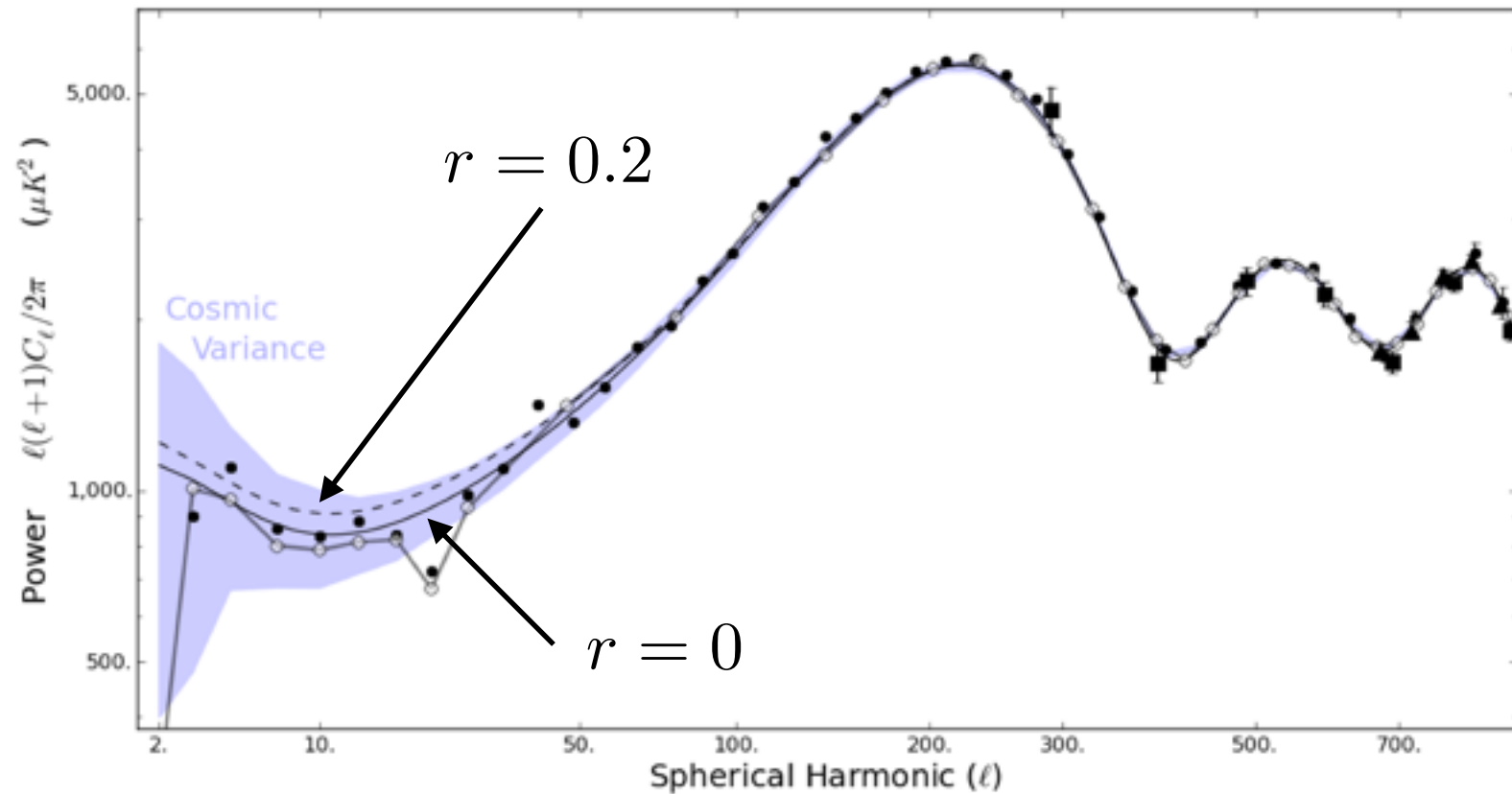
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Scalar and tensor spectrum

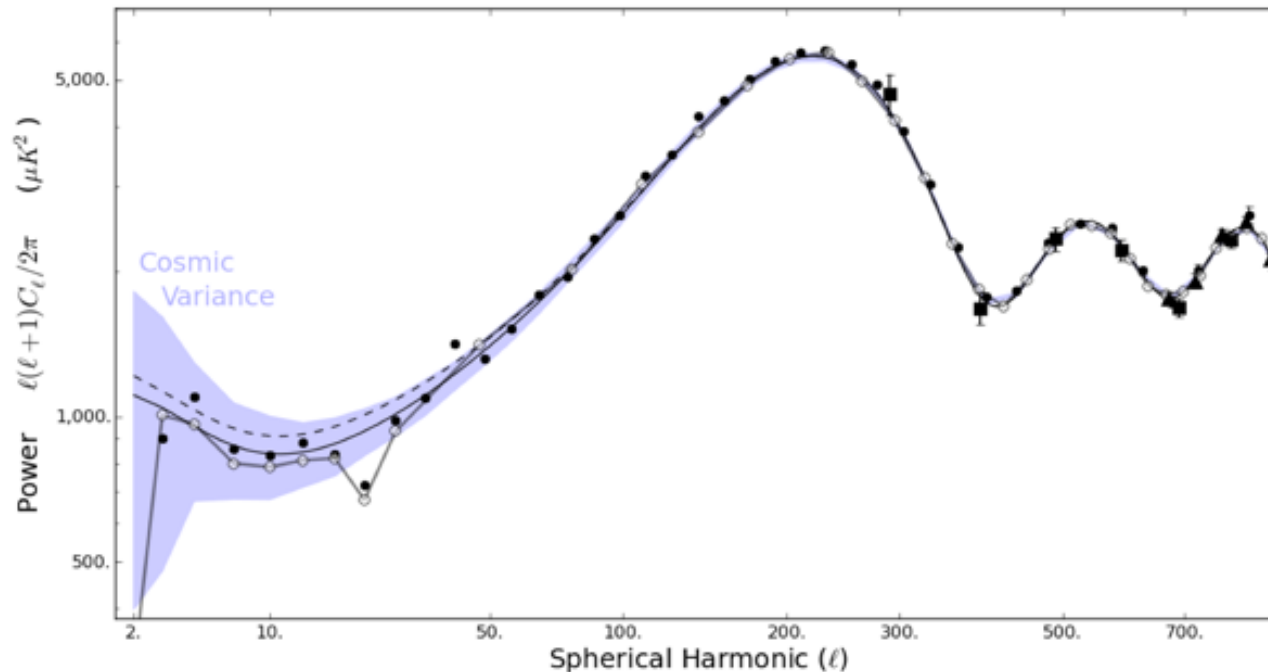


BICEP increases low-power tension



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See e.g., [ArXiv: 1404.0373](#) Smith, et. al.



Possible Explanations:

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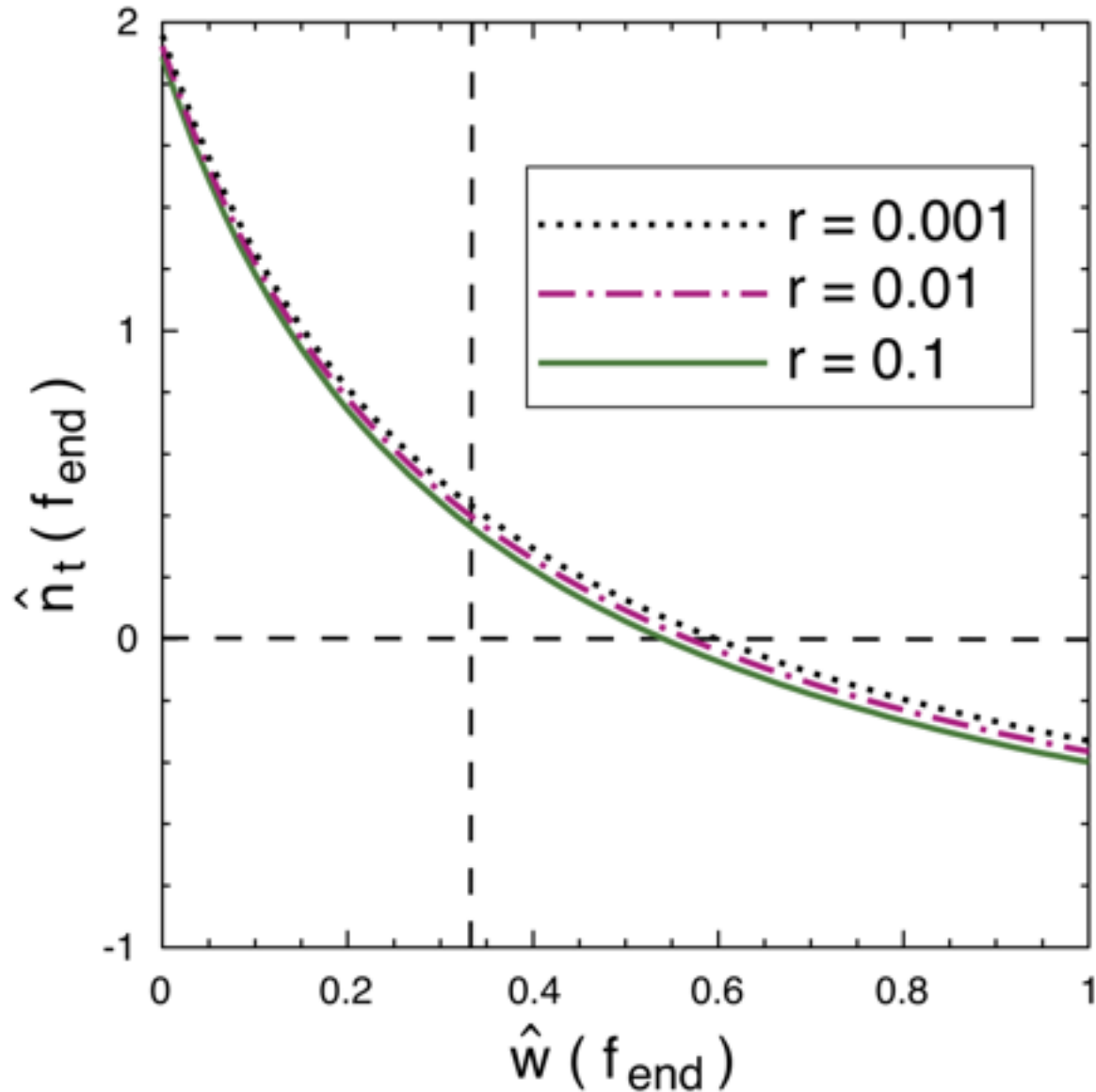
2. Accept 0.1% statistical fluke?

3. Introduce new parameter: running, tensor tilt, N_{eff}

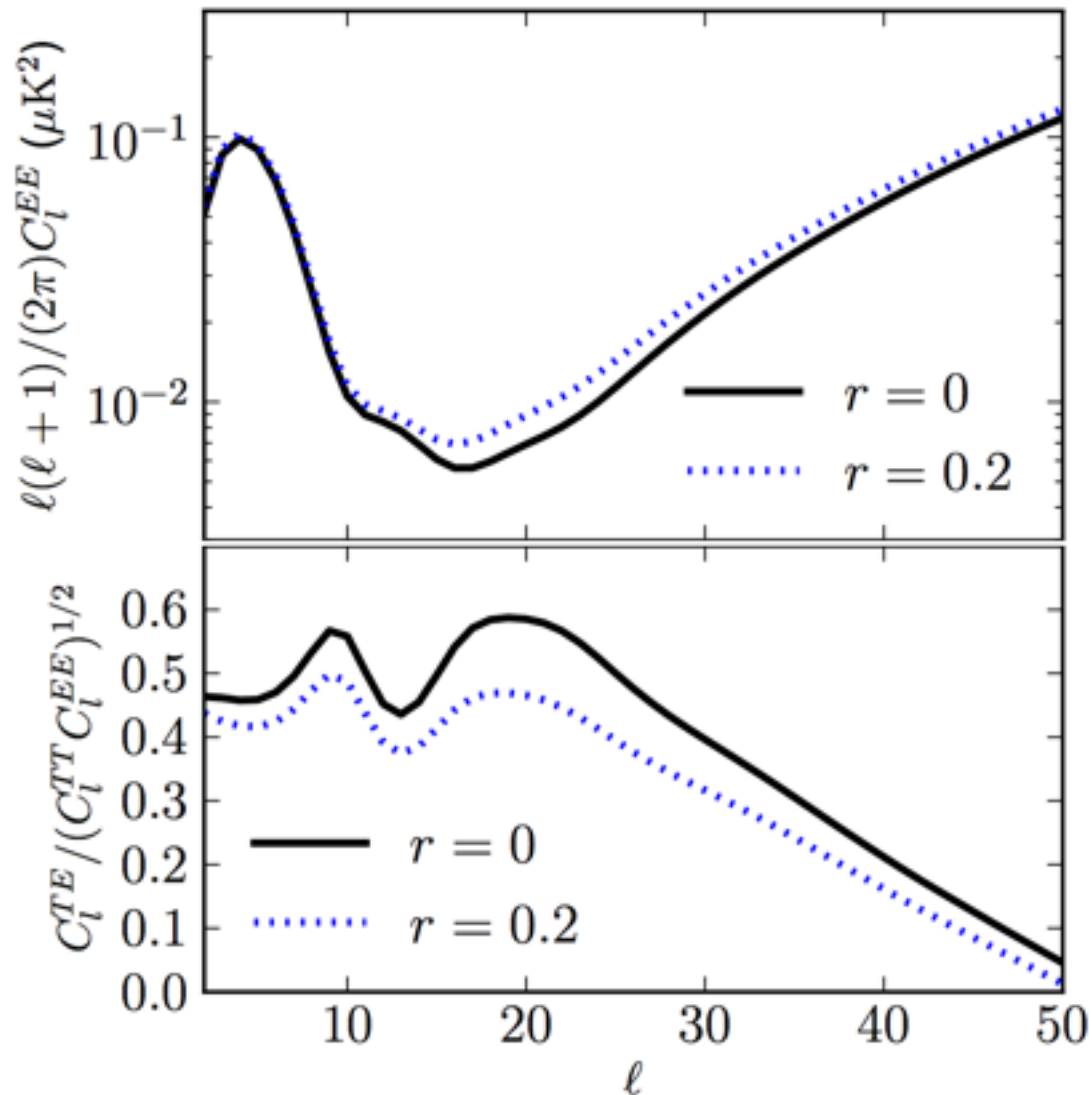
Non-zero Tensor tilt favors **matter dominated phase** for post-inflation

ArXiv:0708.2279

L. Boyle and A. Buonanno

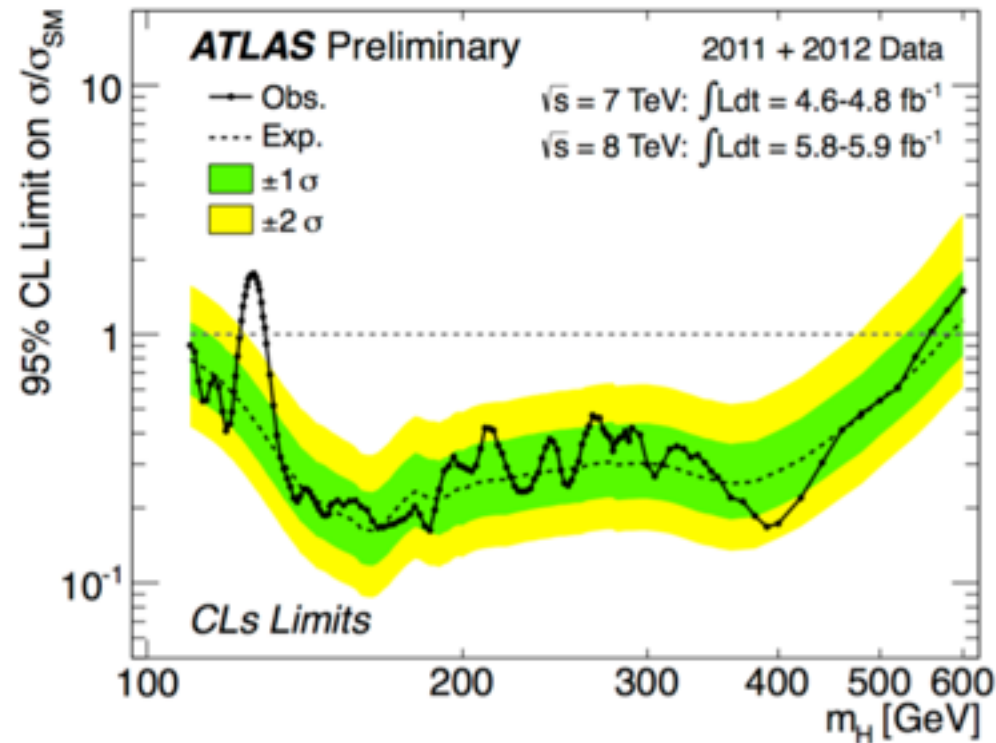
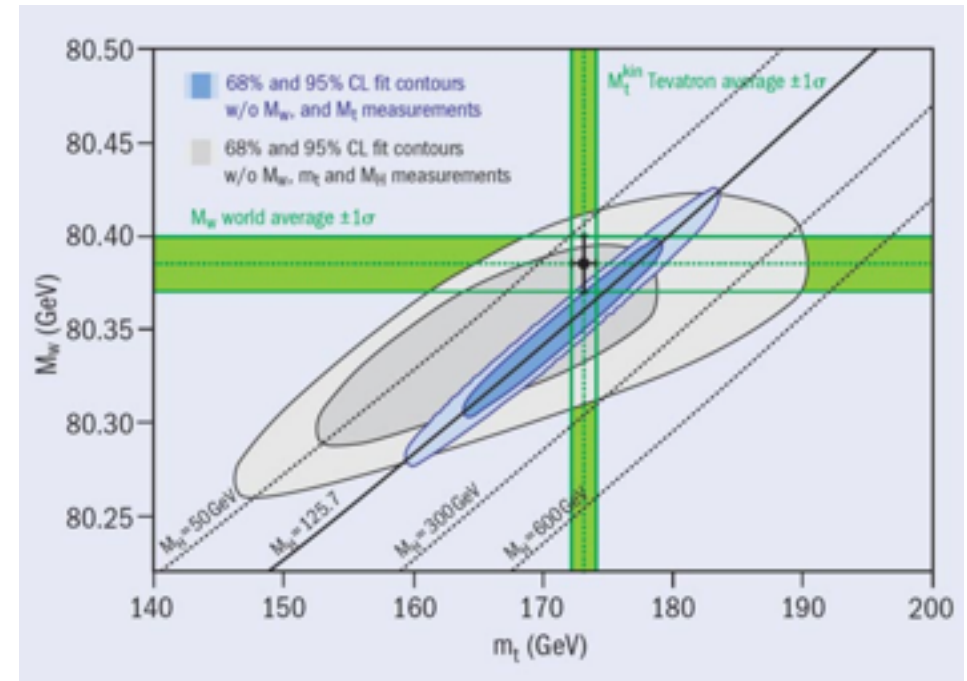


E-mode Polarization Measurement can distinguish possible solutions



If truly low
power
on large
scales
(not a statistical fluke)
then we
expect a
difference in
E-modes by
30%

The Standard Model of Particle Physics is also well tested

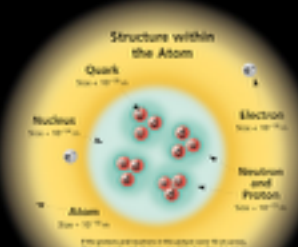


Standard Model of FUNDAMENTAL PARTICLES AND INTERACTIONS

The Standard Model summarizes the current knowledge in Particle Physics. It is the quantum theory that includes the theory of strong interactions through chromodynamics (QCD) and the unified theory of weak and electromagnetic interactions (electroweak). Gravity is excluded as this model because it is one of the fundamental interactions that is not part of the "Standard Model".

FERMIONS

Leptons (spin = 1/2)			Quarks (spin = 1/2)		
Flavor	Mass (GeV/c ²)	Electric charge	Flavor	Mass (GeV/c ²)	Electric charge
e^- electron	0.511×10^{-6}	0	u (up)	0.0023	2/3
μ^- muon	0.105658	-1	d (down)	0.0048	-1/3
τ^- tau	1.777	-1	c (charm)	1.3	2/3
ν_e neutrino	< 0.0000001	0	s (strange)	0.1	-1/3
ν_μ neutrino	< 0.0000001	0	t (top)	173	2/3
ν_τ neutrino	< 0.0000001	0	b (bottom)	4.2	-1/3

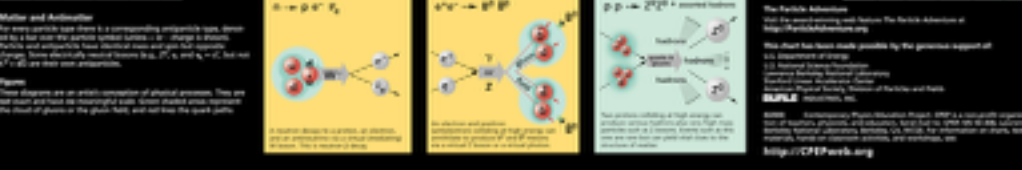


BOSONS

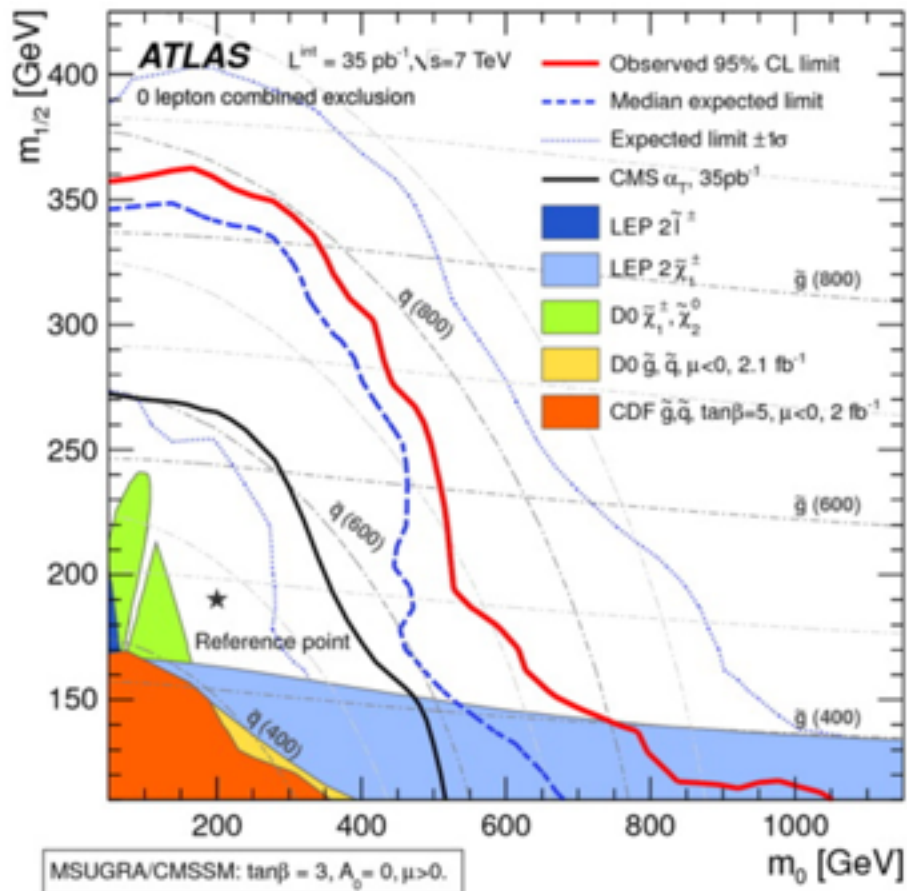
Gauge Bosons (spin = 1)			Higgs boson (spin = 0)		
Name	Mass (GeV/c ²)	Electric charge	Name	Mass (GeV/c ²)	Electric charge
γ photon	0	0	H^0 Higgs	125.7	0
W^\pm	80.4	± 1			
Z^0	91.188	0			

PROPERTIES OF THE INTERACTIONS

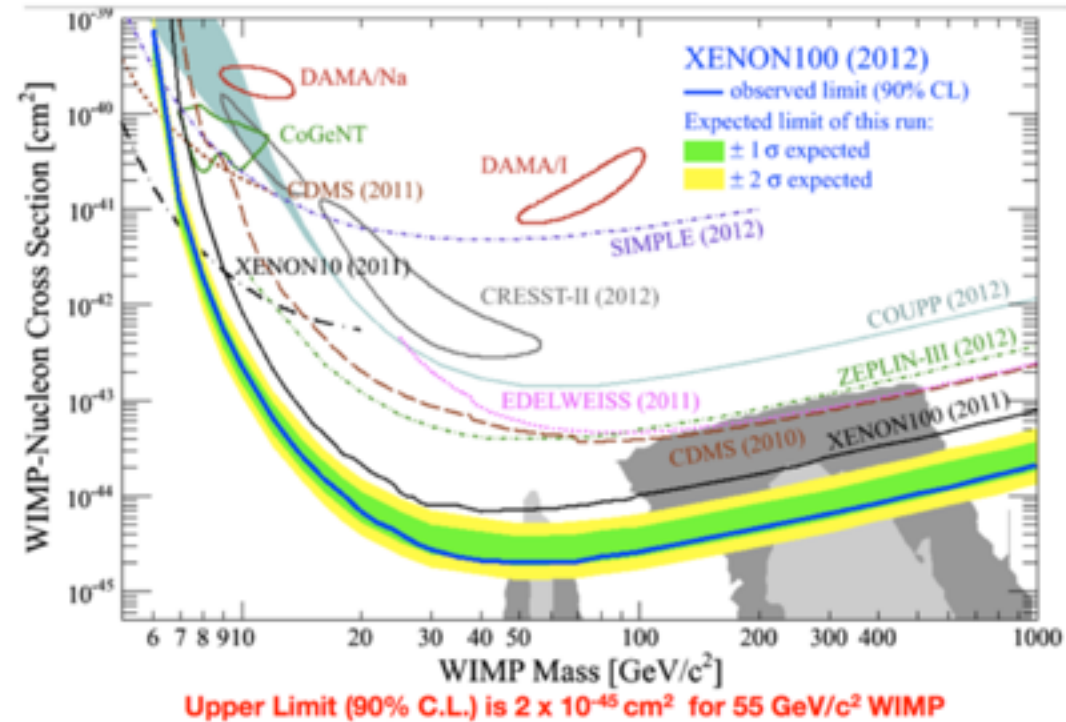
Property	Interaction	Gravitational		Weak		Electromagnetic		Strong	
		Mediator	Range	Mediator	Range	Mediator	Range	Mediator	Range
Acts on		All	All	Quarks, Leptons	All	Electrically charged	Quarks, Gluons	Hadrons	All
Particle multiplicity		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Strength		10 ⁻³⁹	10 ⁻¹⁶	10 ⁻¹⁶	10 ⁻¹⁶	10 ⁻¹⁶	10 ⁻¹⁶	10 ⁻¹⁶	10 ⁻¹⁶
Range		∞	∞	∞	∞	∞	∞	∞	∞



Simplest models of thermal dark matter are increasingly in tension with experiment



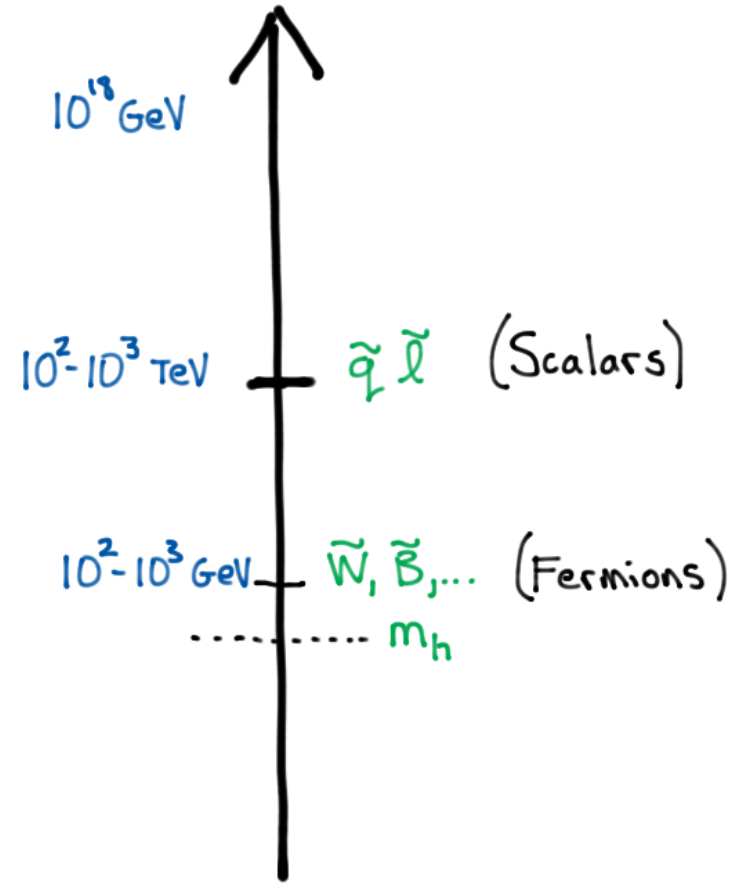
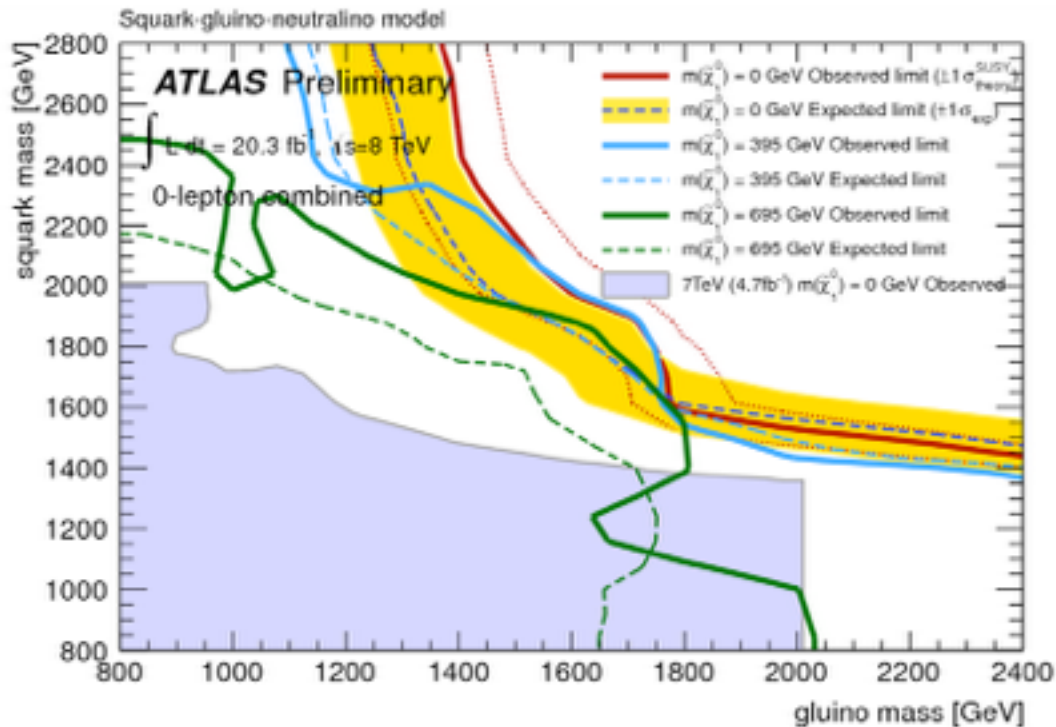
XENON100



SUSY and Hierarchies after LHC



SUSY can still stabilize the Electroweak Hierarchy and be “natural”
 (At cost of complex model building)



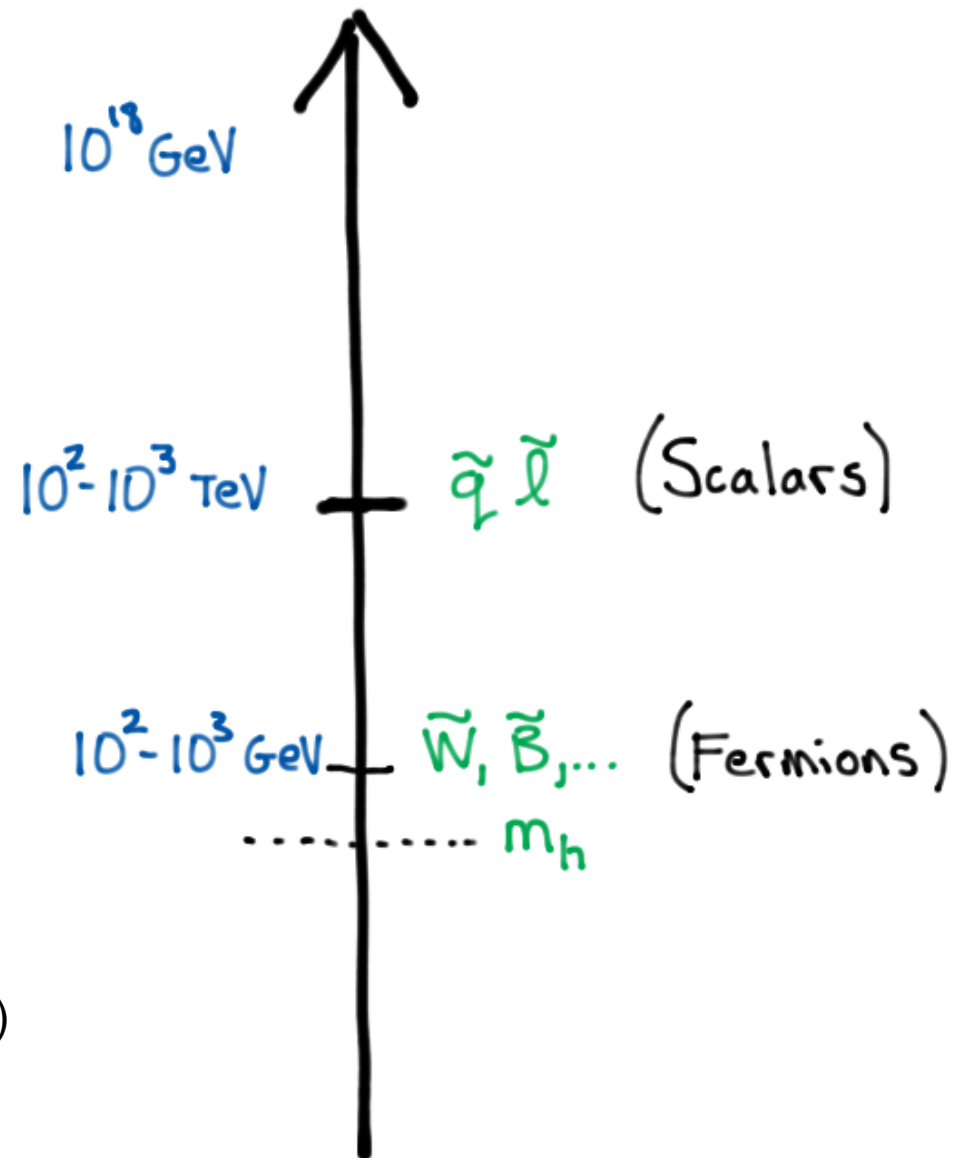
Scalars heavy, fermions can be light

Split SUSY

J. Wells (hep-ph/0306127)

N. Arkani-Hamed and S. Dimopoulos (hep-th/0405159)

- ✓ Gauge Coupling Unification
- ✓ Dark Matter
- ✓ No Flavor, CP problems



Scalars heavy, Fermions light
(Fermions carry R-symmetry, scalars do not.)

Possibility #3

Perhaps nature allows for some tuning (1/1000)?

$$10^{-3} \approx \frac{2\pi}{3(4\pi)^3}$$

Advantage: Addresses the cosmological moduli problem

UV Completions of SUSY

(Top-down Approaches add Moduli, tuning $\sim 1/1000$)

S. Watson (Arxiv:0912.3003)

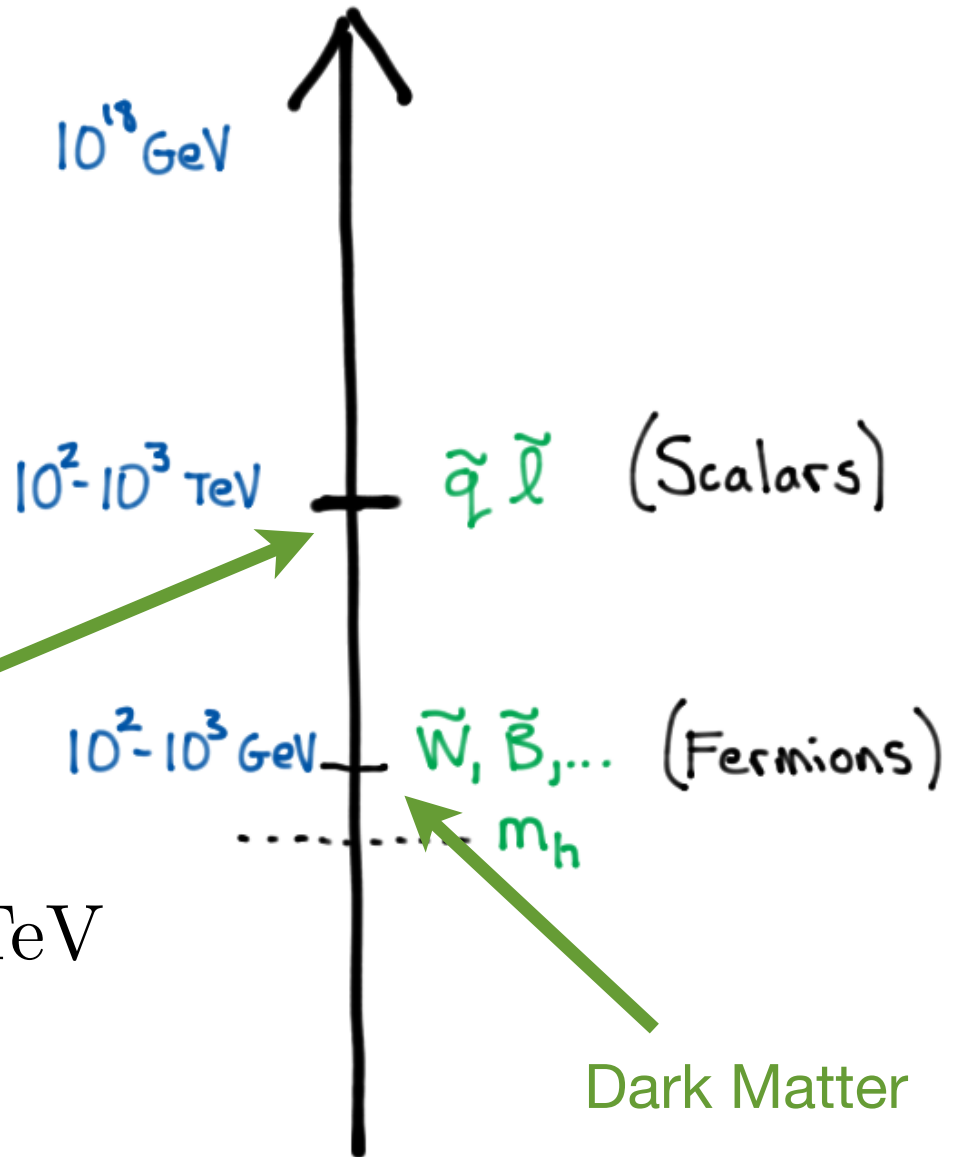
with B. Acharya, G. Kane, P. Kumar (Arxiv:0908.2430)

- ✓ Unification
- ✓ Dark Matter
- ✓ No Flavor, CP problems
- ✓ **No moduli problems**

Moduli get masses:

$$m_\phi \simeq m_{3/2} \simeq 100 - 1000 \text{ TeV}$$

$$m_{3/2} = \frac{\Lambda_{SUSY}^2}{m_p}$$



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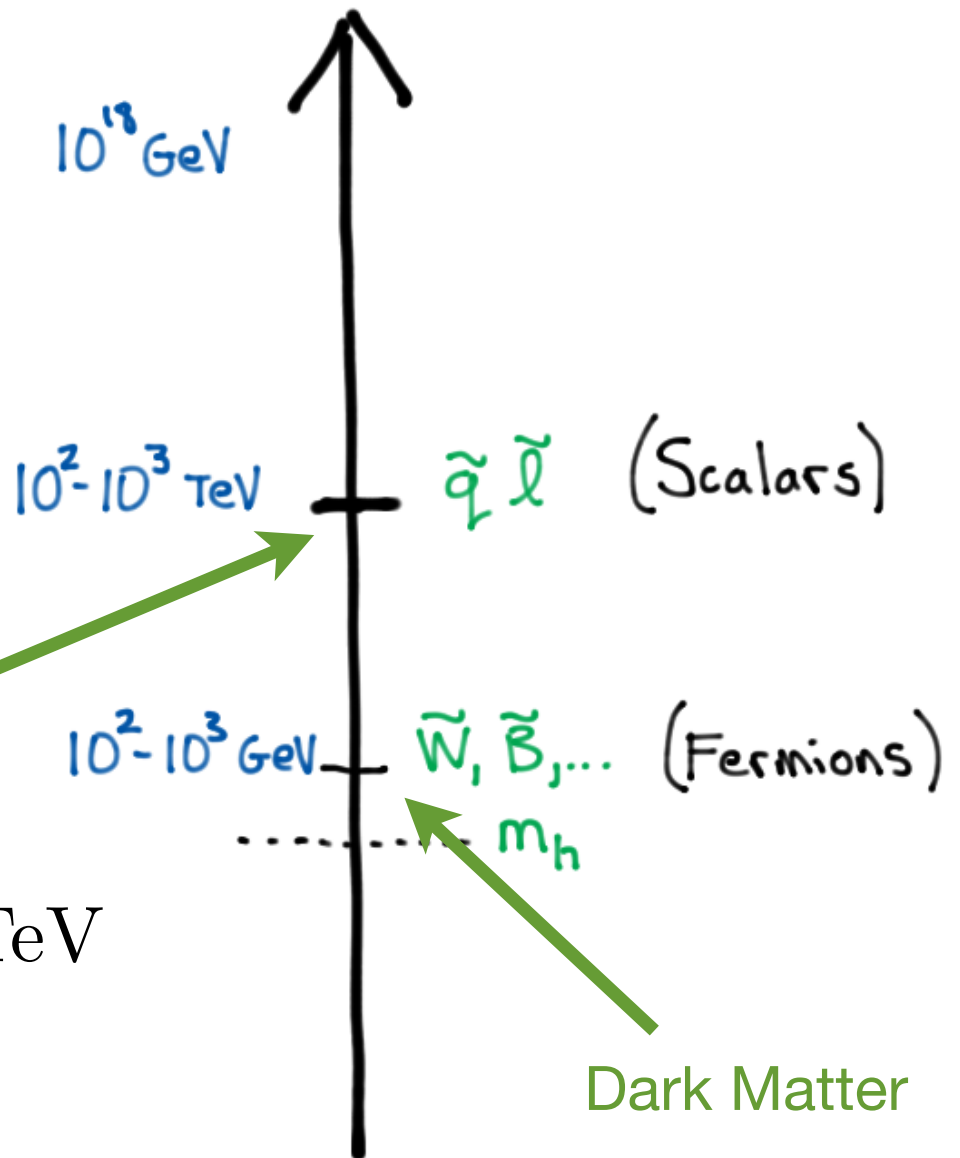
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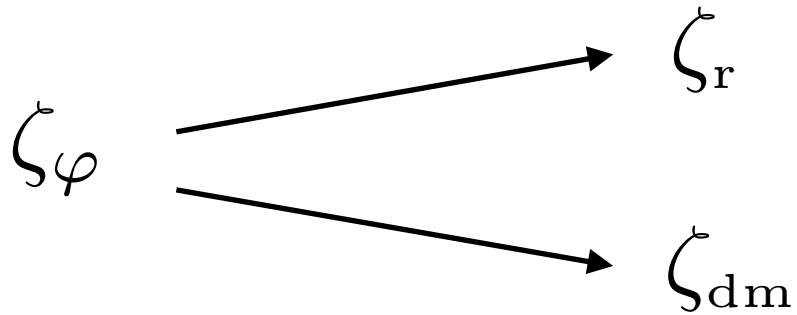
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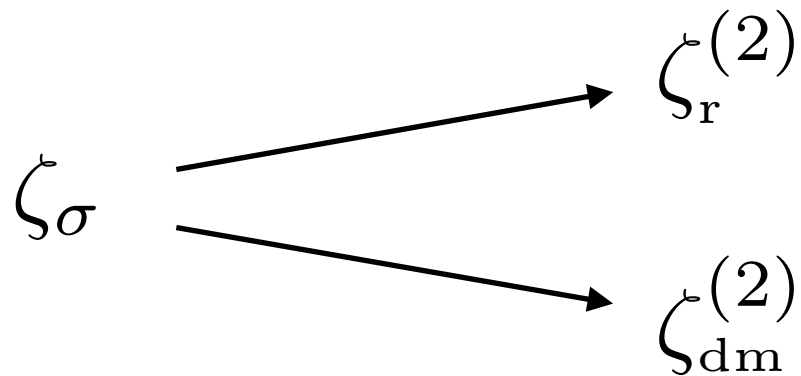


Familiar from Curvatons

$$m_\sigma < H_I$$



$$\delta\sigma \sim \frac{H_I}{2\pi} \quad \zeta_\sigma \neq \zeta_\phi$$



$$S_{\sigma\phi} = 3 (\zeta_\sigma - \zeta_\phi)$$

With multicomponent isocurvature,
the level of constraint depends on priors
(not a simple “less than 7% of spectrum” statement)

N_{eff} and Dark Radiation

Another constraint is provided by bounds on relativistic degrees of freedom after neutrino decoupling

(both CMB and BBN are sensitive)

Planck Constraint

$$N_{\text{eff}} \leq 3.57$$

$$\Delta N_{\text{eff}} = \frac{8}{14} \Delta g_* \left(\frac{T_{\text{rec}}^h}{T_\nu} \right)^4 \leq 0.42$$

$\left(\frac{11}{4} \right)^{4/3}$ (If same temperature as standard model radiation)

