

Reconstruction of the speed of sound of the inflaton using early and late cosmological data

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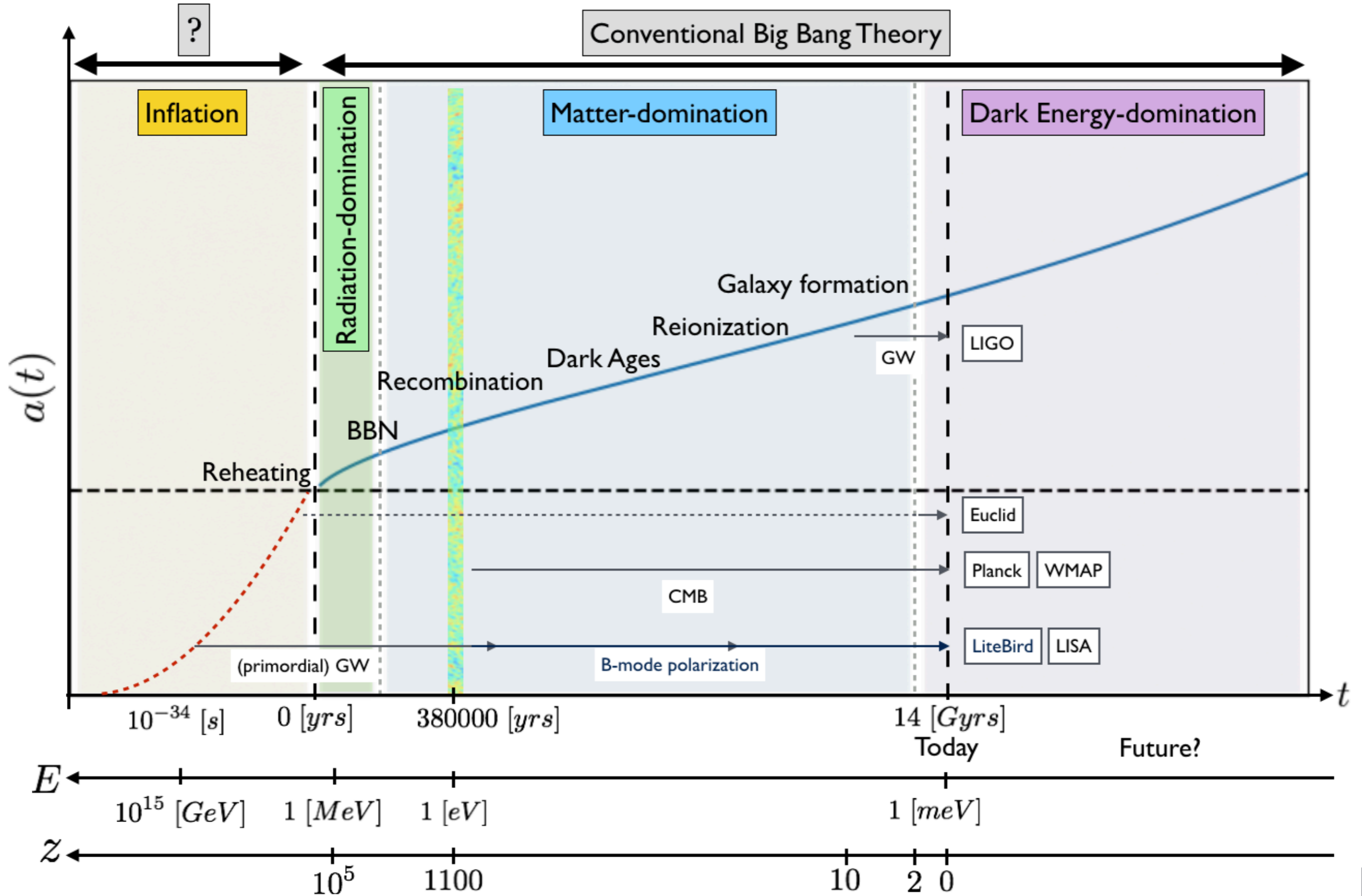
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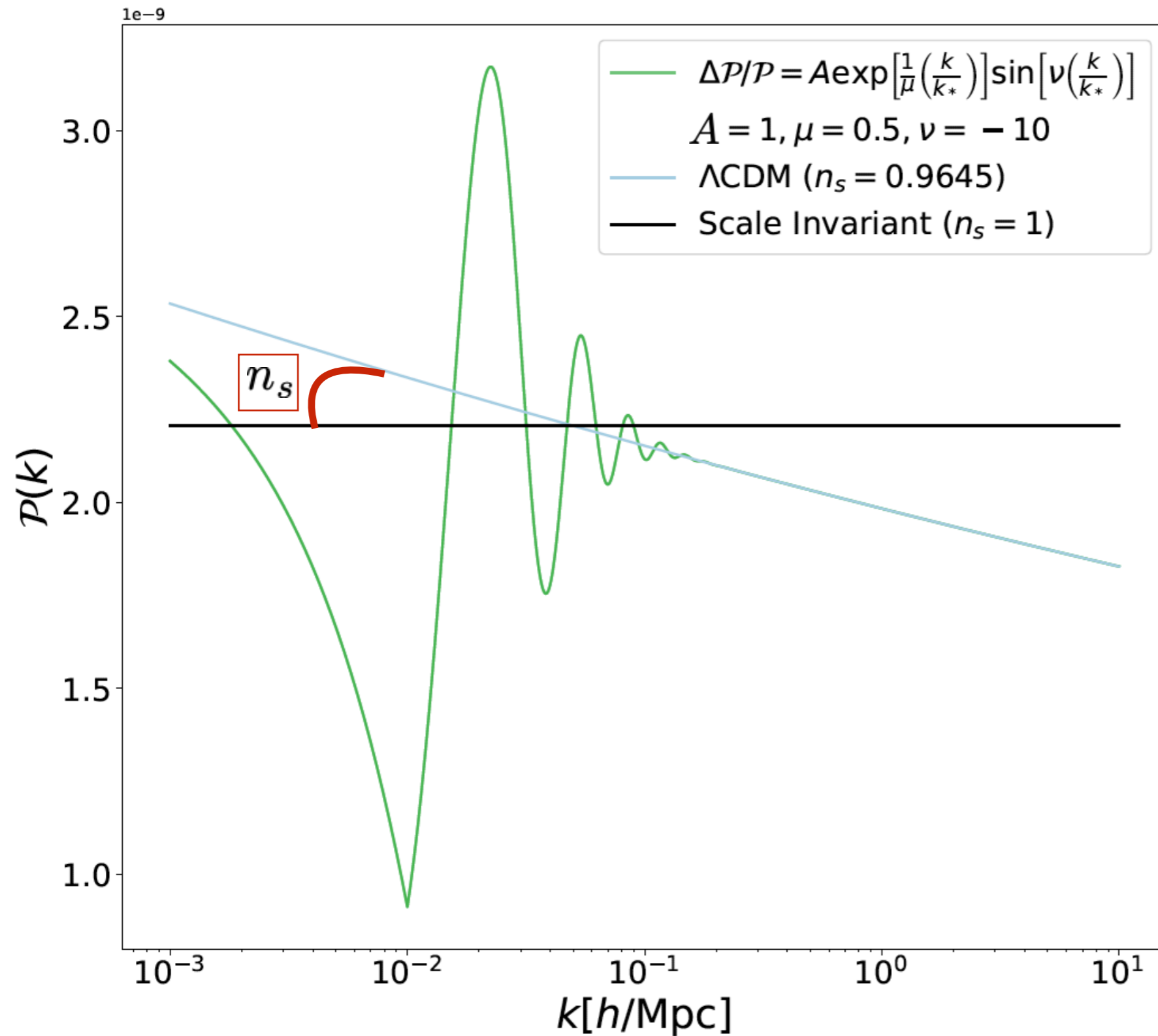
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Universe Timeline



Primordial Power Spectrum (PPS)



Dimensionless PPS

Scalar-Amplitude

$$\mathcal{P}(k) = A_s \left(\frac{k}{k_*}\right)^{n_s - 1}$$

pivot-scale

scalar
spectral
index

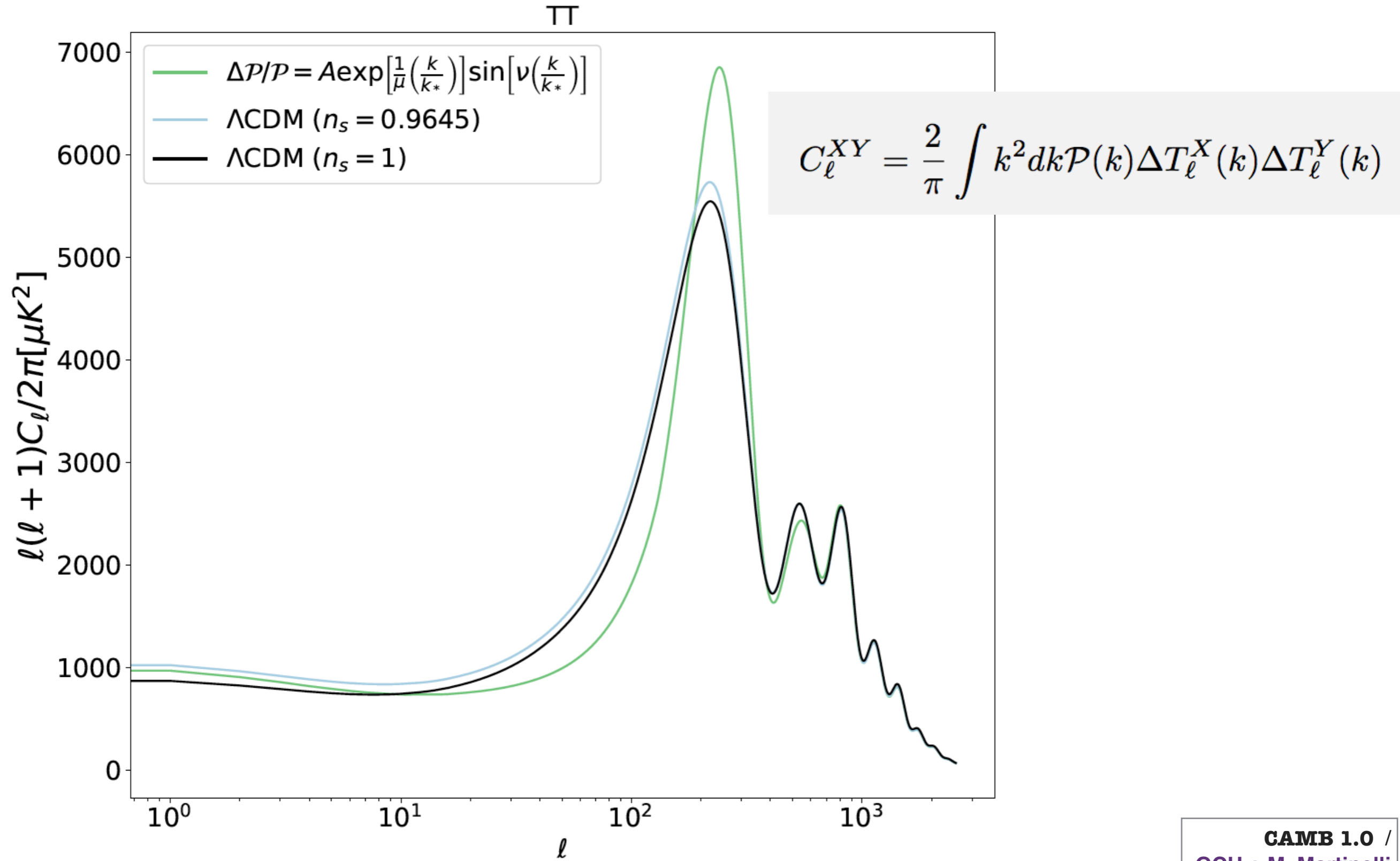
$$n_s = 1 - 2\epsilon_1 - \epsilon_2$$

1st slow-roll param: $\epsilon_1 := -\frac{\dot{H}}{H^2} < 1$

2nd slow-roll param: $\epsilon_2 := \frac{\dot{\epsilon}_1}{H\epsilon_1} < 1$

CAMB /
GCH + M. Martinelli

Primordial Power Spectrum (PPS)



But...

- ▶ Λ CDM consistent with Planck 2018

So...

- ▶ Many embeddings of inflation predict the existence of extra degrees of freedom during inflation
- ▶ Planck's bispectrum suggests the presence of features, which could indicate multi-field inflation
- ▶ How do we explore multi-field inflation while still agreeing with the data? Using an EFT approach

EFT of inflation

- ▶ Framework: effective field theory of inflationary perturbations:

$$S_2 = \int d^4x a^3 M_P^2 \epsilon_1(t) H^2 \left[-\frac{\dot{\pi}^2}{c_s^2(t)} + \frac{(\partial_i \pi)^2}{a^2} \right]$$

First slow-roll parameter

Variable sound speed
not equal to 1

- ▶ Features from variable slow-roll parameter

1904.00991/[Durakovic et al.](#)

- ▶ Features from variable sound speed

1211.5619/[Achúcarro et al.](#)

1311.2552 /[Achúcarro et al.](#)

1502.02114/[Achúcarro et al.](#)

Reductions in the sound speed

- ▶ Particular scenario :

$$S_2 = \int d^4x a^3 M_P^2 \epsilon_1(t) H^2 \left[-\frac{\dot{\pi}^2}{c_s^2(t)} + \frac{(\partial_i \pi)^2}{a^2} \right] + \text{corrections}$$

small, mild and transient

- ▶ Using Perturbation theory:

$$S_{2,\phi} = S_\phi(\text{single-field}) + \delta S(\text{feature})$$

- ▶ Second part gives perturbations to the scale-invariant power spectrum:

$$\frac{\Delta \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}}}{\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}0}} = k \int_{-\infty}^0 d\tau \left(1 - \frac{1}{c_s^2} \right) \sin(2k\tau)$$

Reduction in the sound speed

1502.02114/Achúcarro et al.

Reductions in the sound speed

- ▶ Name:

$$u(t) := 1 - \frac{1}{c_s^2(t)}$$

$$\Delta \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}}(k) / \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}}(k) \propto \text{Fourier Transform}(u)$$

Feature

- ▶ Constraints in this scenario:

$$u(t) \ll 1$$

small

$$s(t) := \frac{\dot{c}_s(t)}{H c_s(t)} \ll 1$$

mild

Goal

Constrain
with data

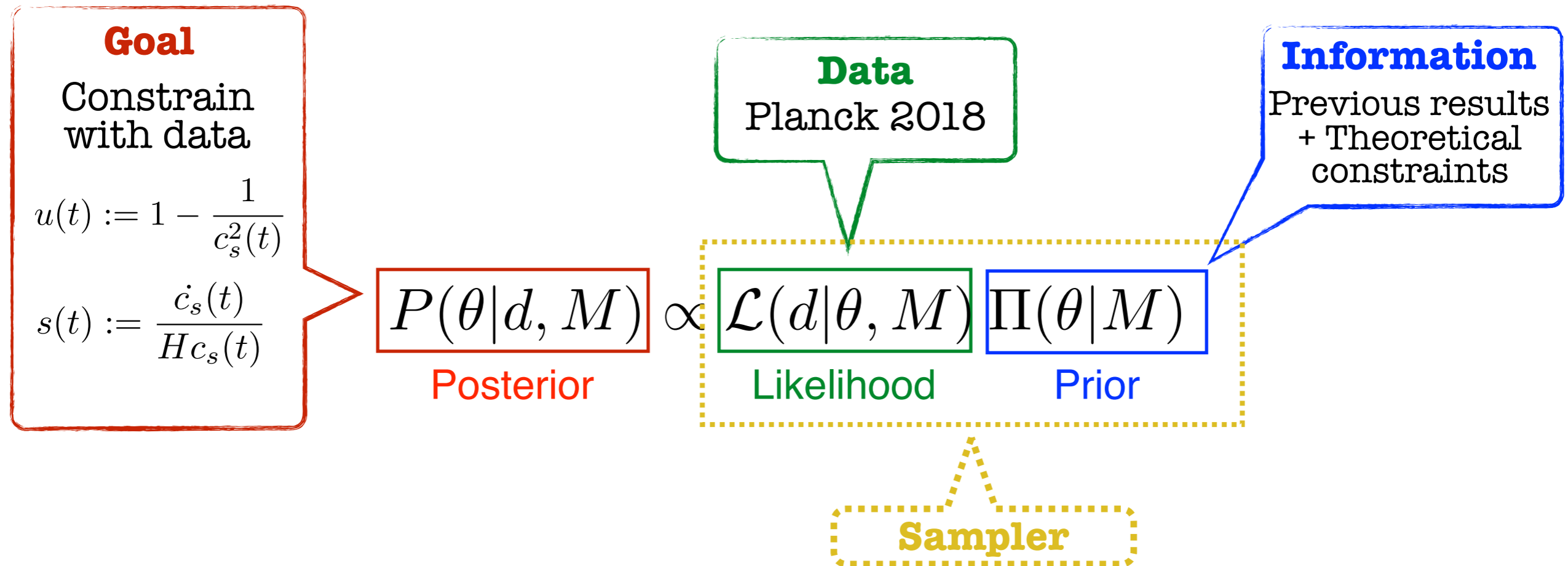
- ▶ Summary:

**Slow-roll
condition
still apply**

$$\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2 \ll \max(u, s) \ll 1$$

Methodology: parameter estimation

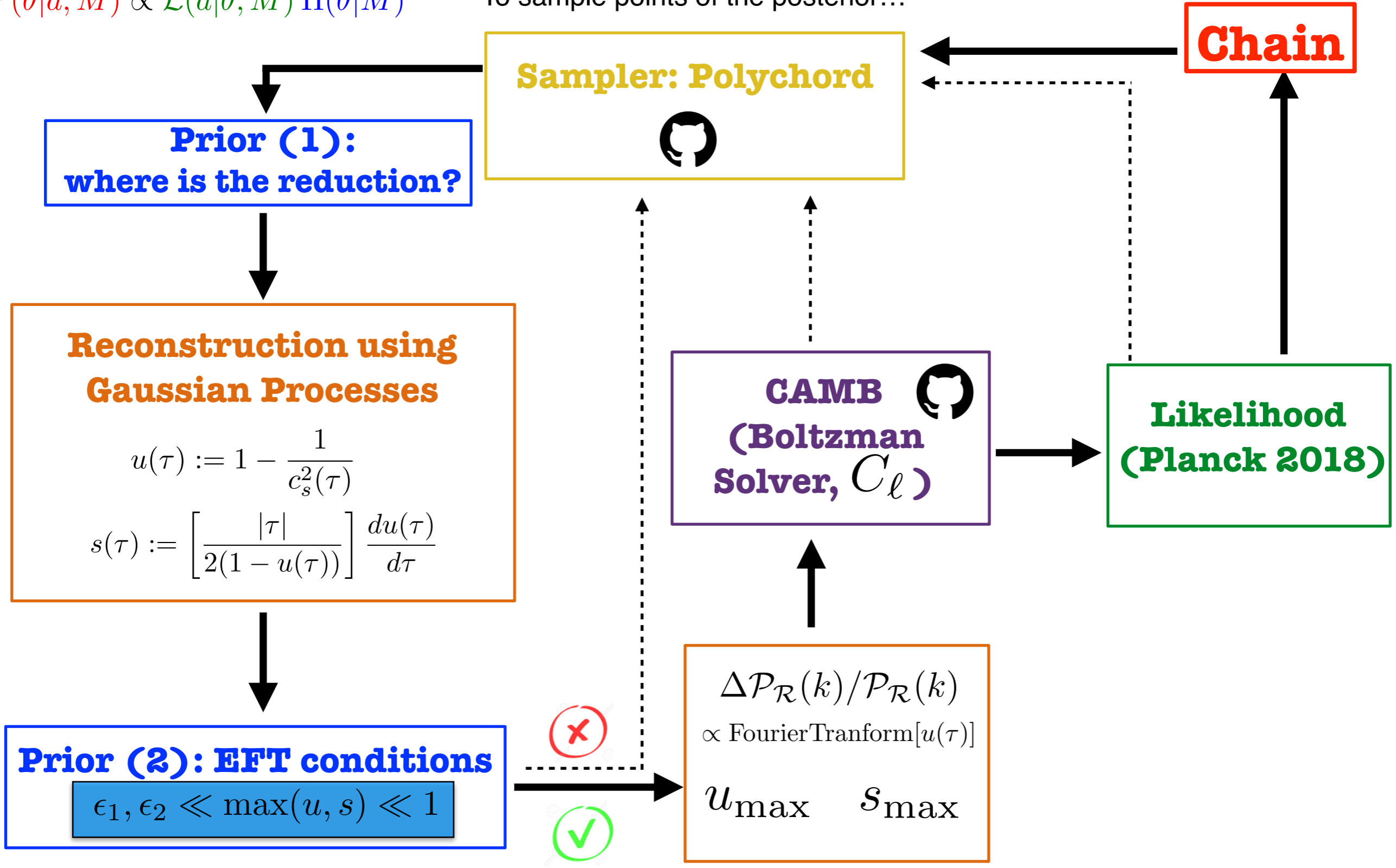
► Bayes' theorem:



Methodology: pipeline

$$P(\theta|d, M) \propto \mathcal{L}(d|\theta, M) \Pi(\theta|M)$$

To sample points of the posterior...



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To sample points of the posterior...

Sampler: Polychord



Chain

Prior (1):
where is the reduction?

Reconstruction using Gaussian Processes

$$u(\tau) := 1 - \frac{1}{c_s^2(\tau)}$$

$$s(\tau) := \left[\frac{|\tau|}{2(1-u(\tau))} \right] \frac{du(\tau)}{d\tau}$$

Prior (2): EFT conditions

$$\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2 \ll \max(u, s) \ll 1$$

CAMB
(Boltzman Solver, C_l)



Likelihood
(Planck 2018)

$$\frac{\Delta \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}}(k)}{\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}}(k)} \propto \text{FourierTransform}[u(\tau)]$$

$$u_{\max} \quad s_{\max}$$

CobayaSampler
Jesus Torrado and Antony Lewis



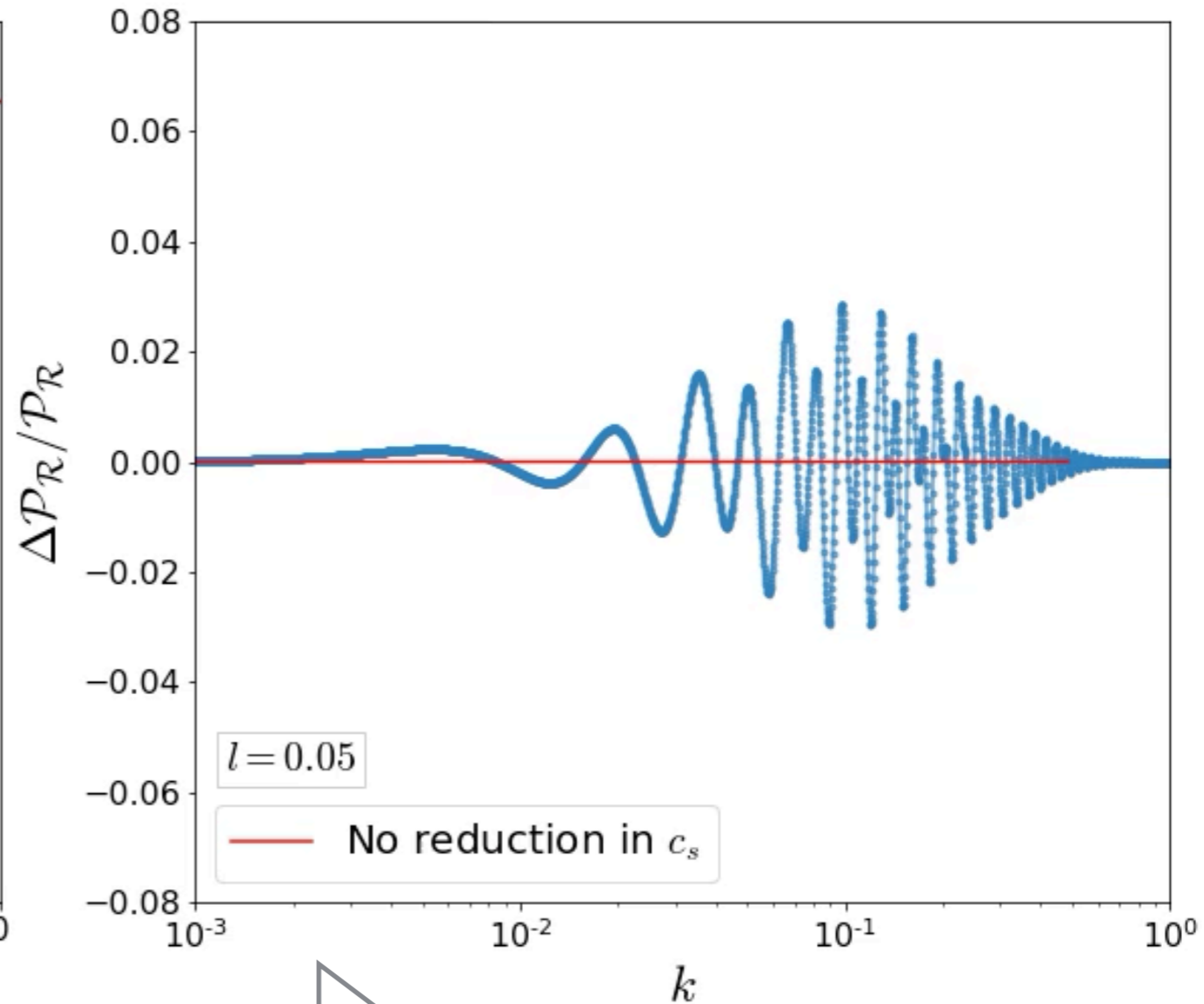
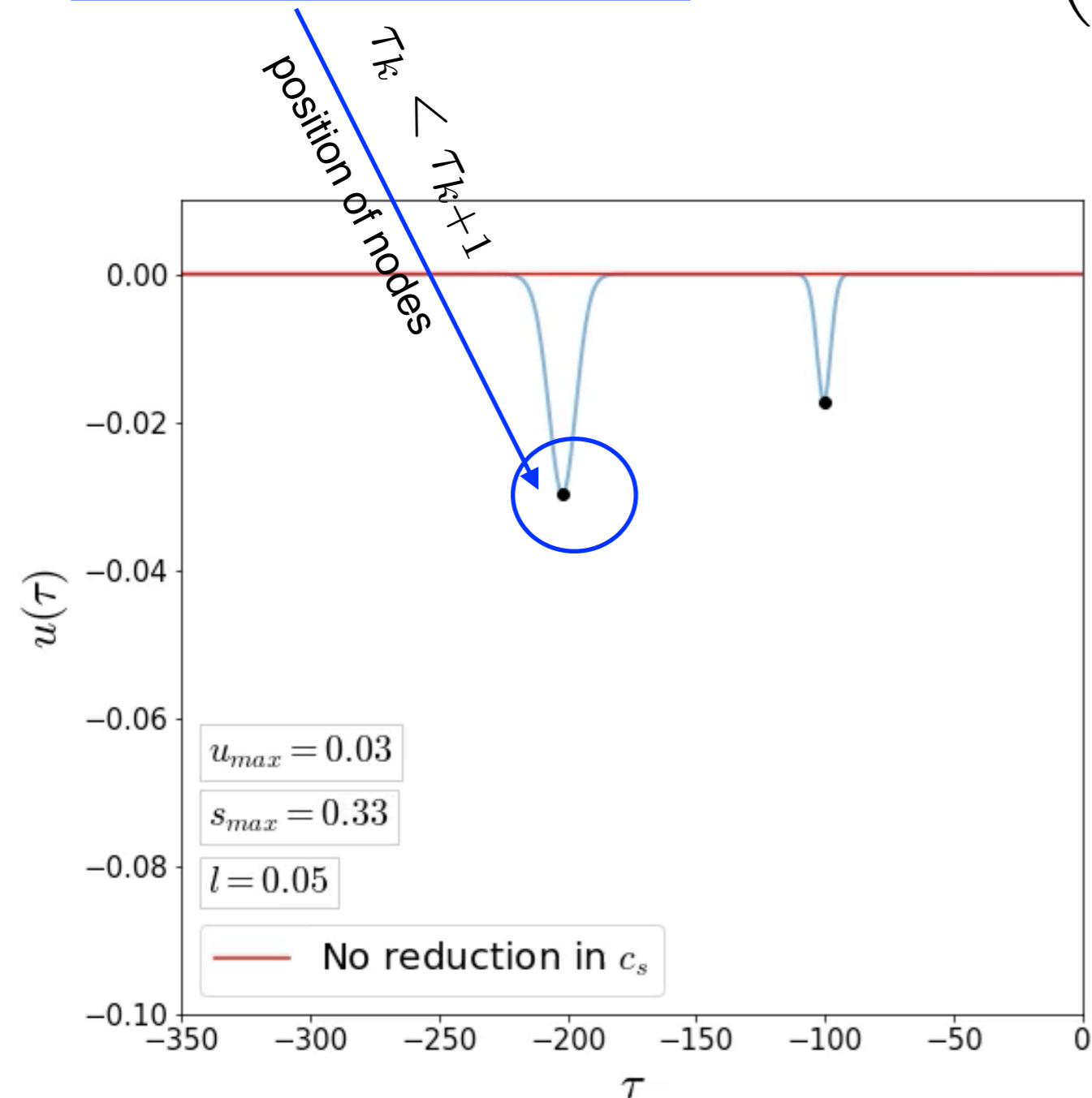
Reconstruction of $u(\tau)$

Prior (1):
where is the reduction?

$$u(\tau) = \exp\left(-\frac{|\tau_k - \tau_{k+1}|}{2l}\right)$$

correlation length


Reconstruction using Gaussian Processes



Fourier Transform

Reconstruction using GPs/GCH

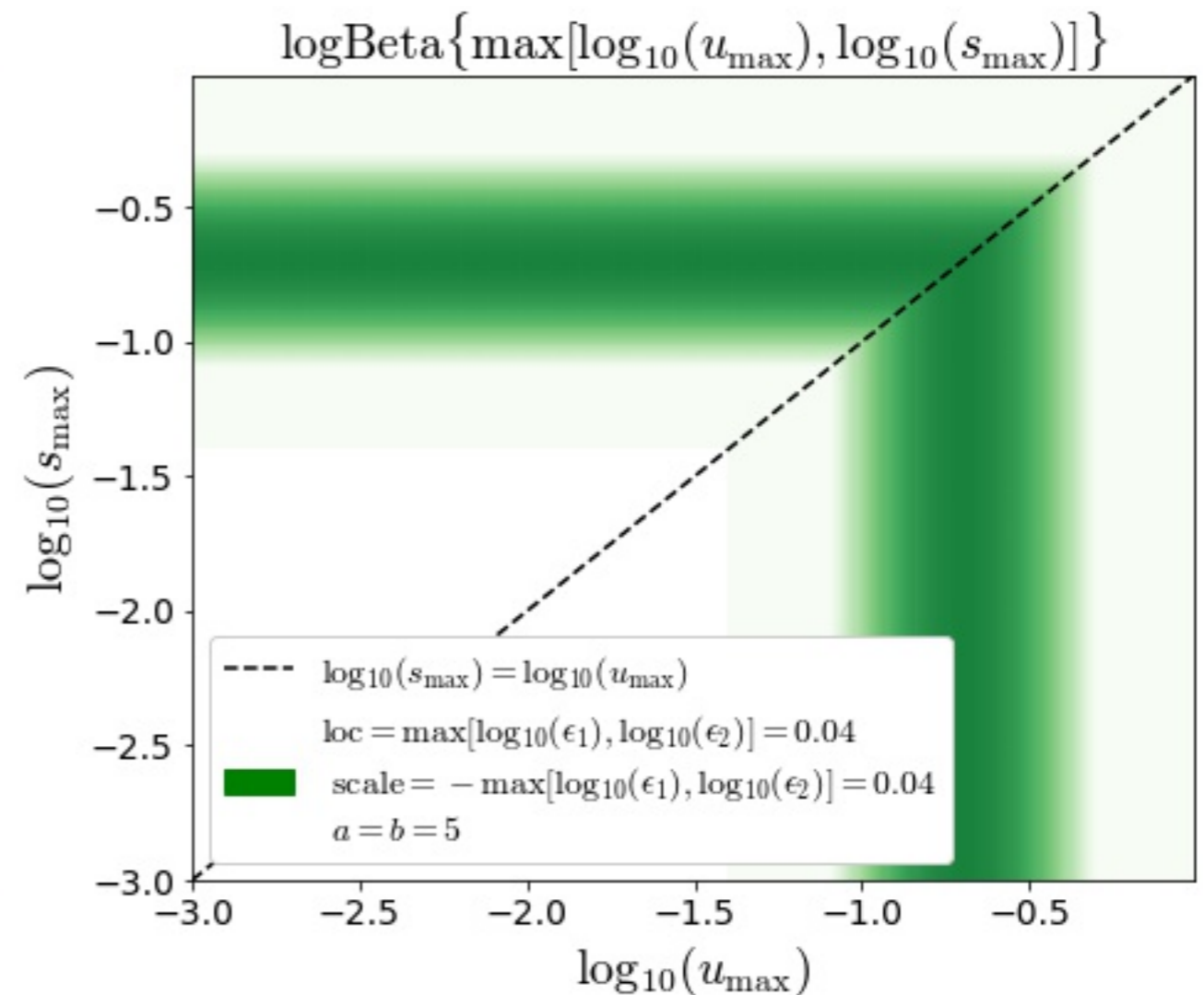
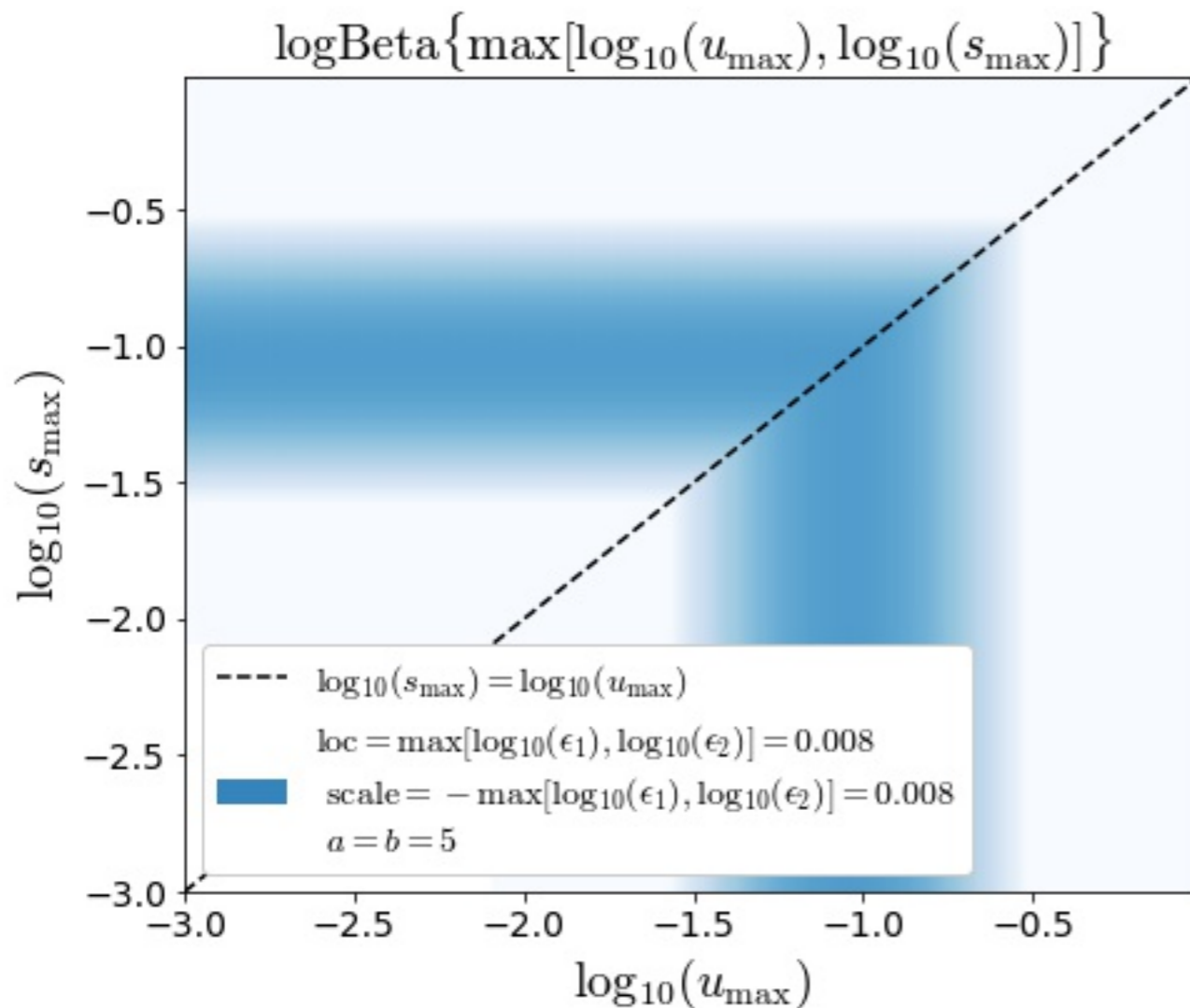
Reconstruction of $u(\tau)$

	Details
Number of parameters	l (correlation length) + 2 x number of nodes (position of nodes)
Parameters	$(l, u_{\text{train}}, \tau_{\text{train}})$
Theory parameters? u_{max} s_{max}	 Numerically

Weakly informative prior

Prior (2): EFT condition

$$\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2 \ll \max(u, s) \ll 1$$



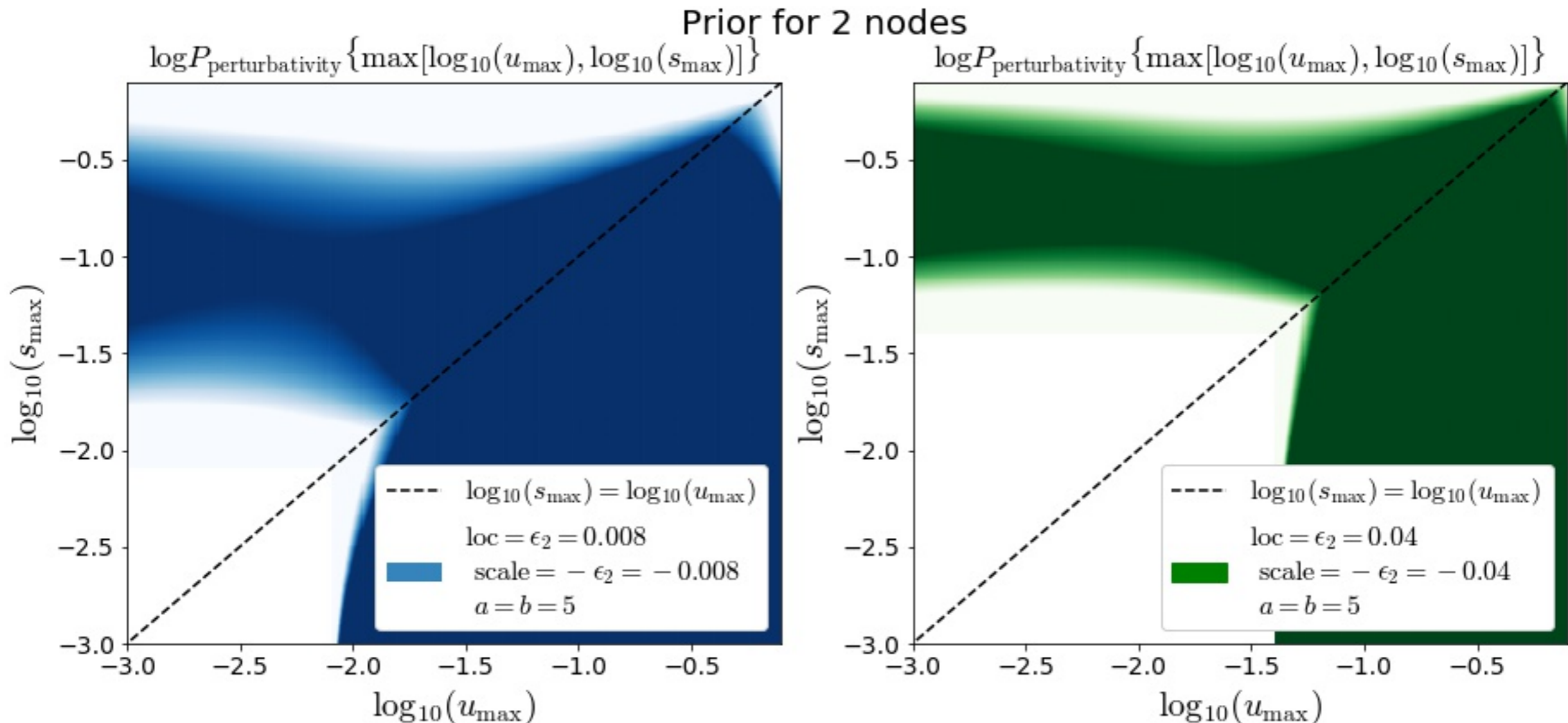
However... $\tau_k < \tau_{k+1}$

1611.10350/Torrado et al.

Maximum Entropy

Prior (2): EFT condition

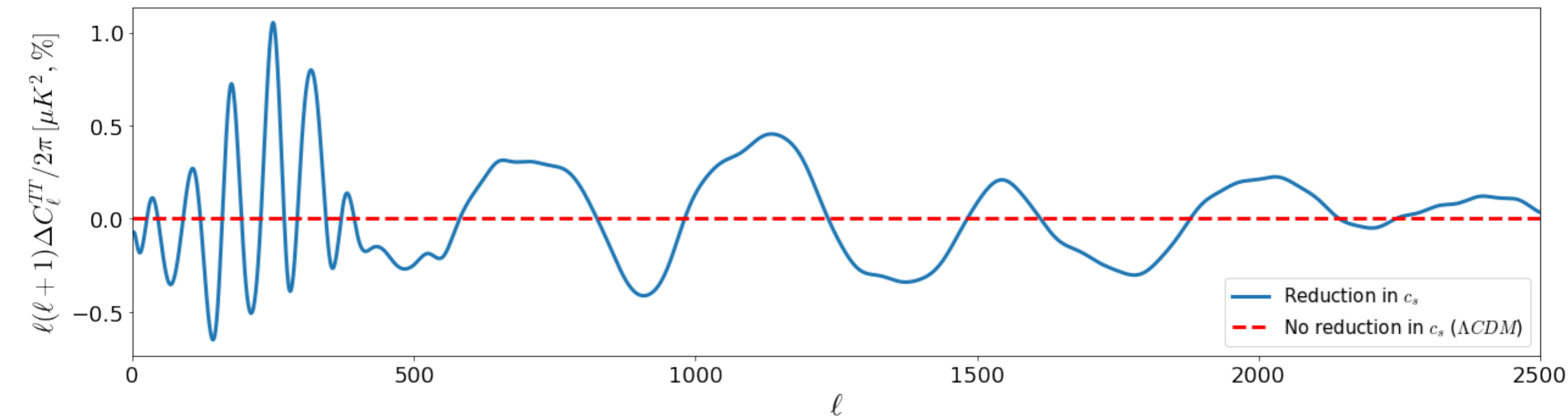
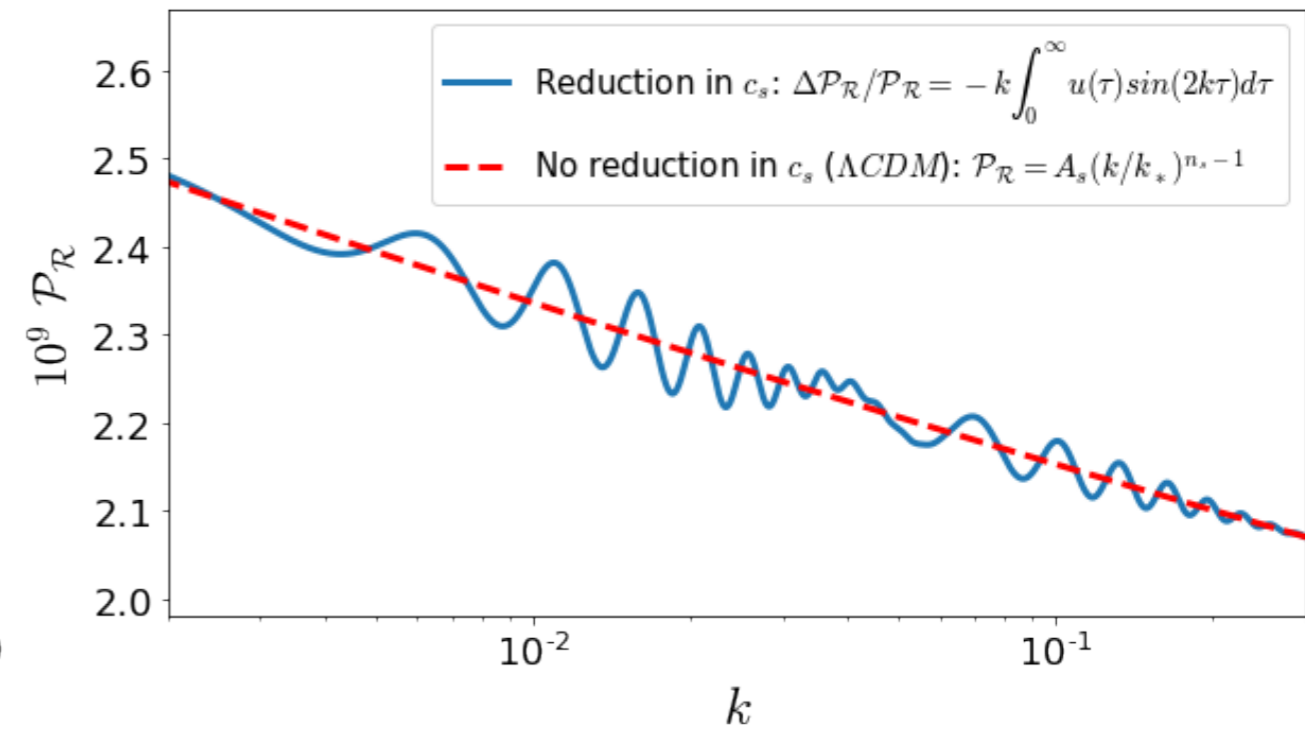
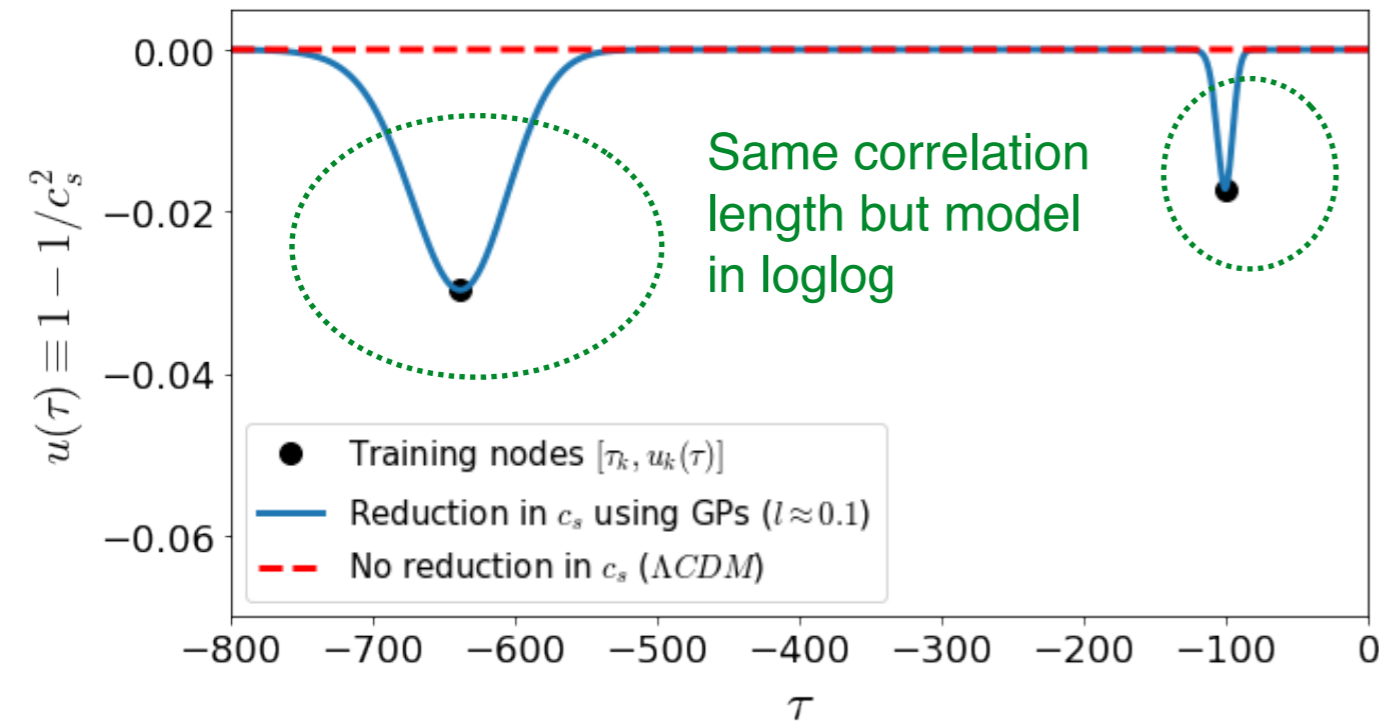
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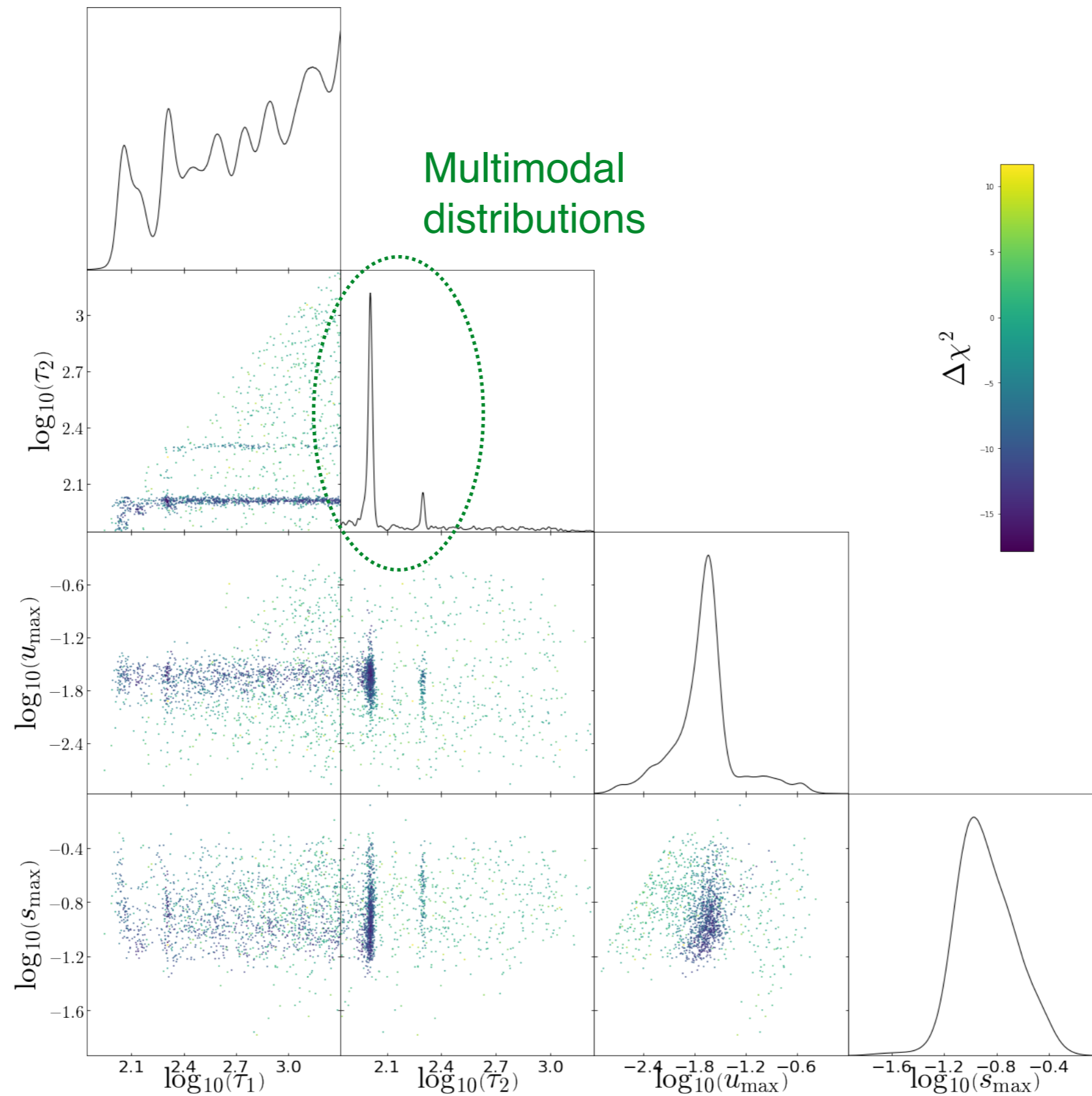
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$$\log P_{\text{perturbativity}} = \log \text{Beta}(a, a) - \log P_{\text{Max-Ent}}$$

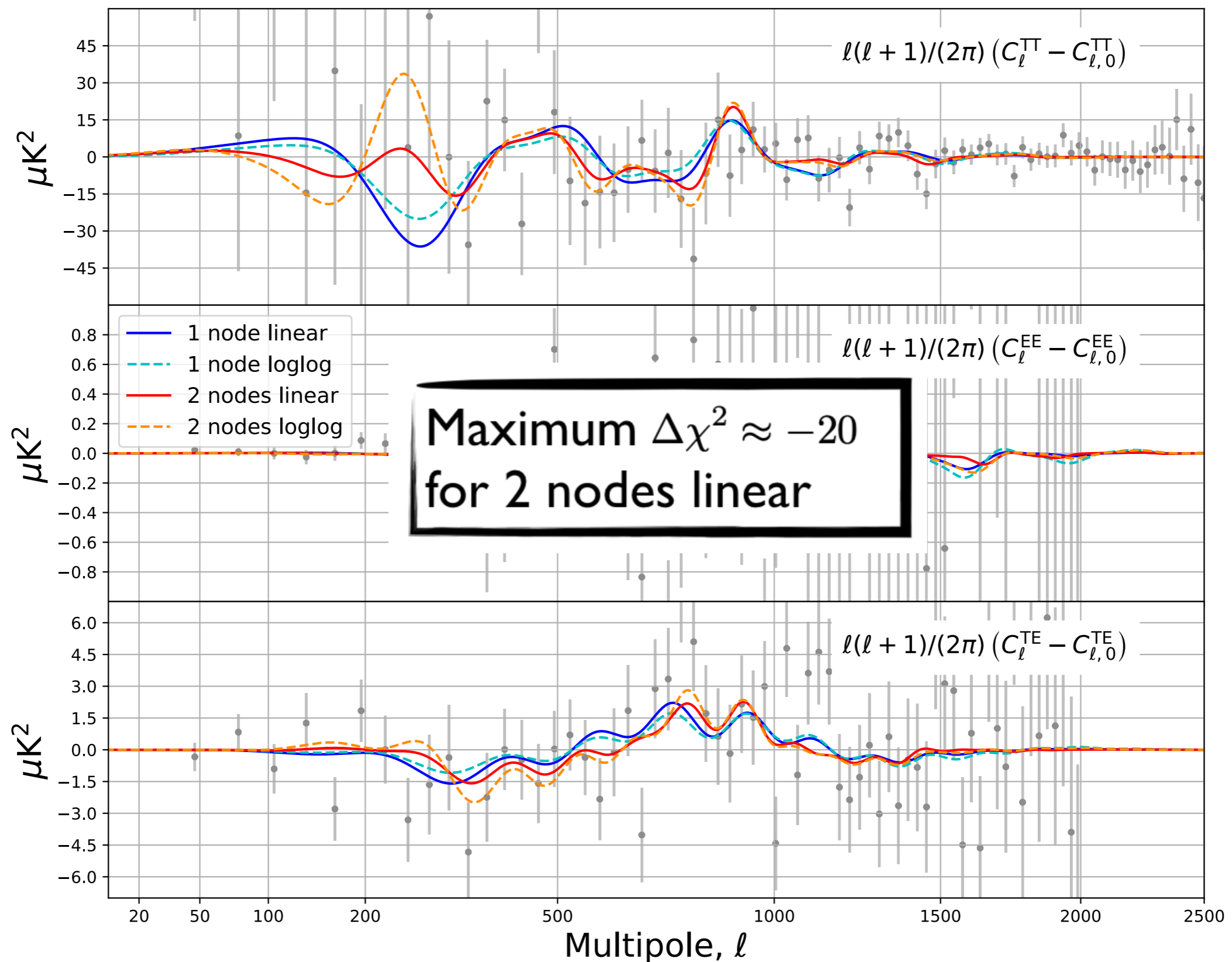
Comparing to data



Posterior distributions: 2 nodes

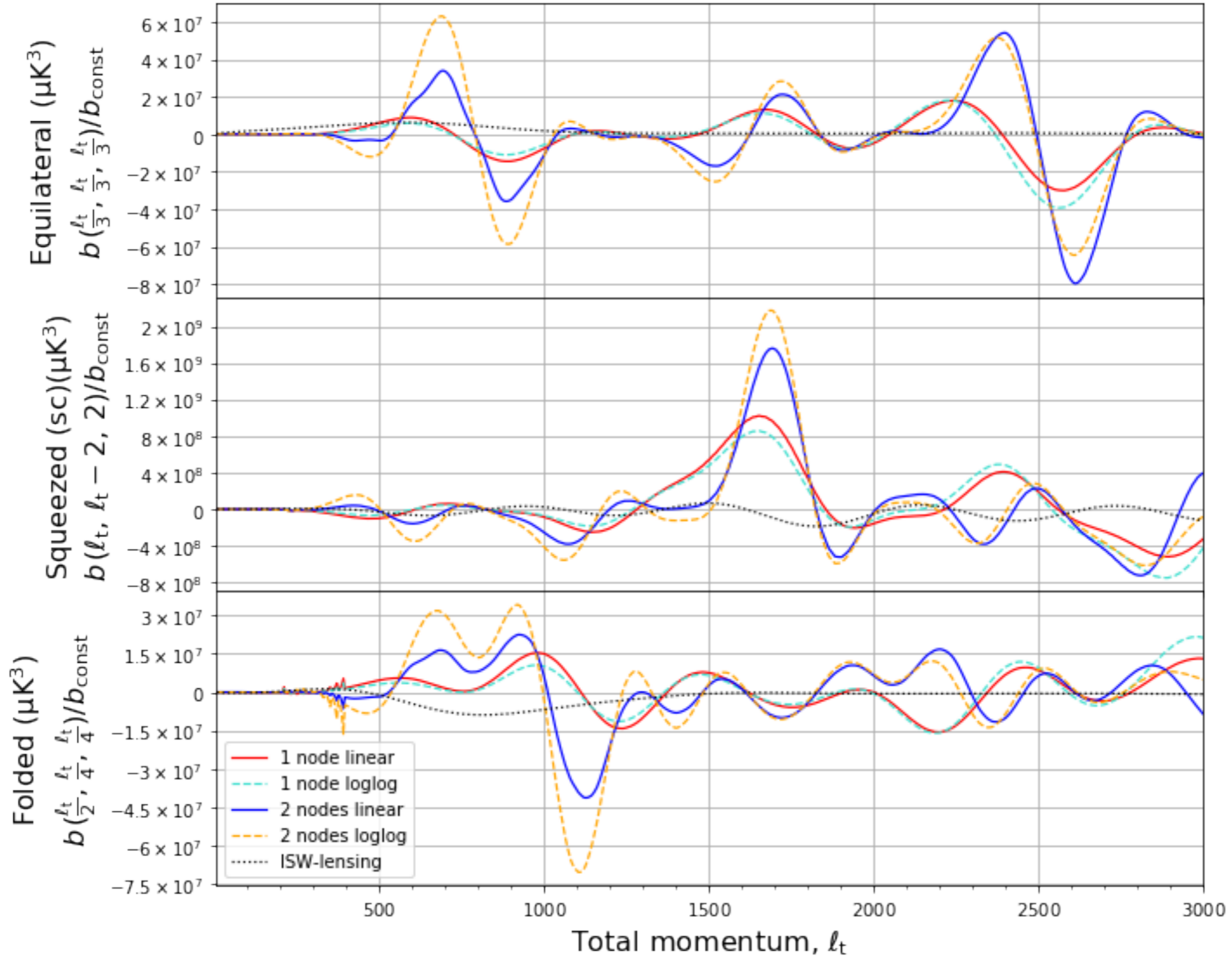


Best fits with Planck 2018



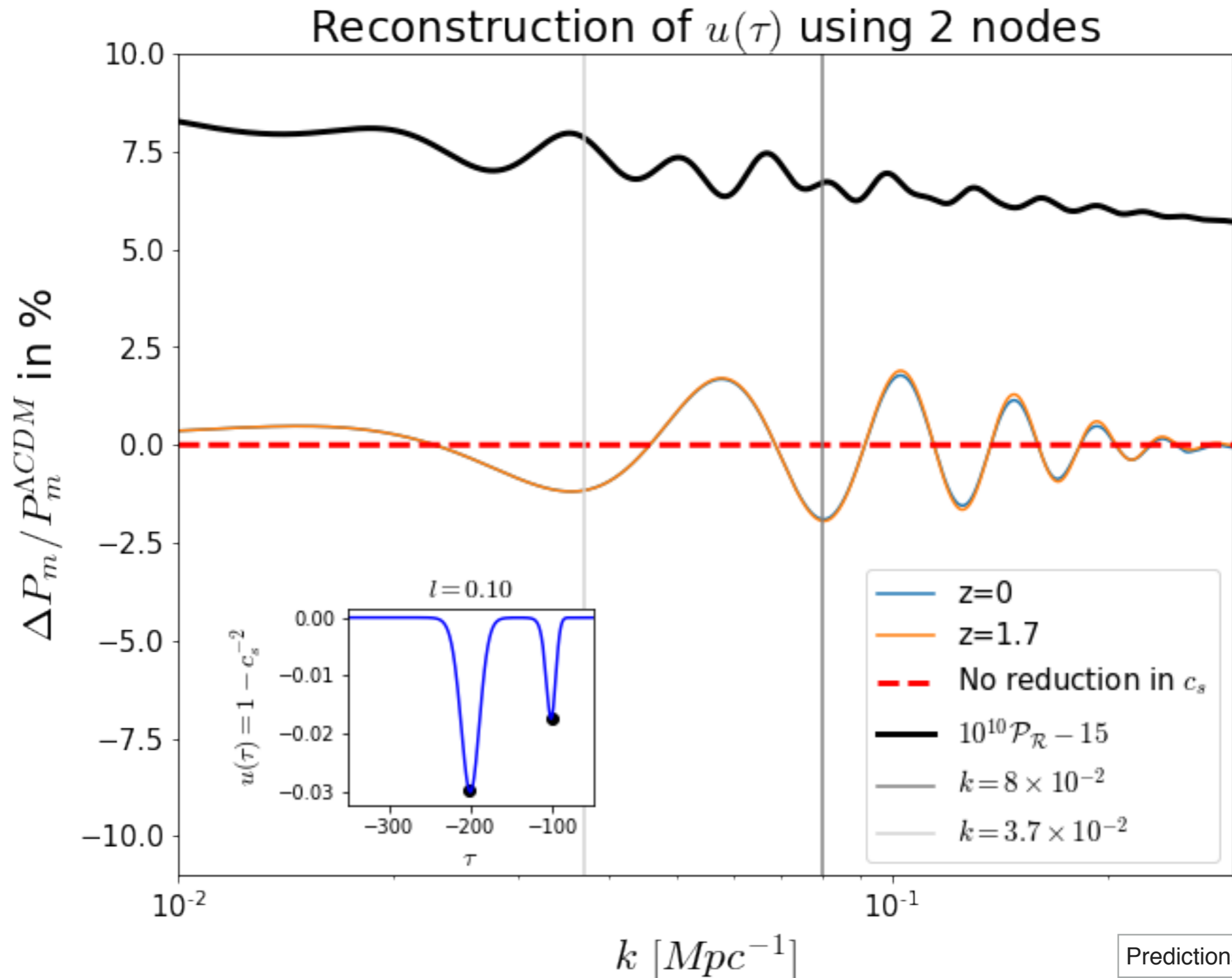
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Bispectrum



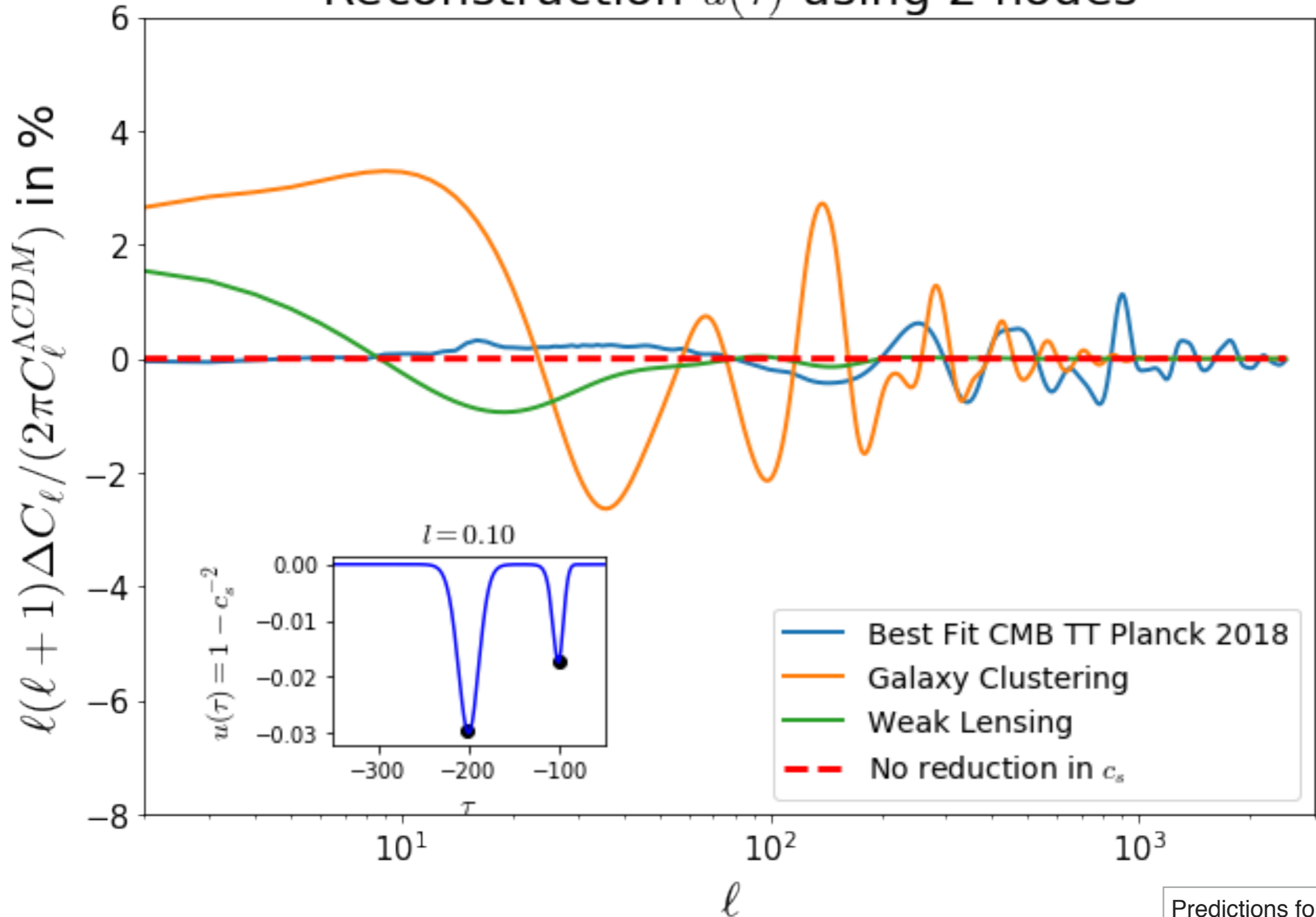
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Predictions for LSS



Predictions for LSS

Reconstruction $u(\tau)$ using 2 nodes



Predictions for Euclid/[GCH](#)

Summary

- ▶ **Efficient and flexible pipeline** for the analysis of features from **small, mild and transient reductions in sound speed** in cosmological data
- ▶ Bayesian pipeline: proper treatment sound-speed reduction's parameters w.r.t. physical constraints.
- ▶ This model has not been tested by **Planck**
- ▶ **Features** in primordial power spectrum **correlated to bispectrum**
- ▶ Future work: **test** against CMB **bispectrum** and other data sets (**LSS**)

¡Gracias!

Bispectrum

- ▶ Multiple Field Inflation — non-gaussianities encoded in:

$$S_3 = \int d^4x a^3 M_P^2 \epsilon H^2 \left[-2H s c_s^{-2} \pi \dot{\pi}^2 - (1 - c_s^{-2}) \dot{\pi} \left(\frac{\dot{\pi}^2}{c_s^2} - \frac{(\partial_i \pi)^2}{a^2} \right) \right]$$

↓

$$\langle \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{k}_1) \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{k}_2) \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{k}_3) \rangle \equiv (2\pi)^3 \delta^3(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_3) B_{\mathcal{R}}(k)$$

- ▶ For a transient and mild reduction of the speed of sound:

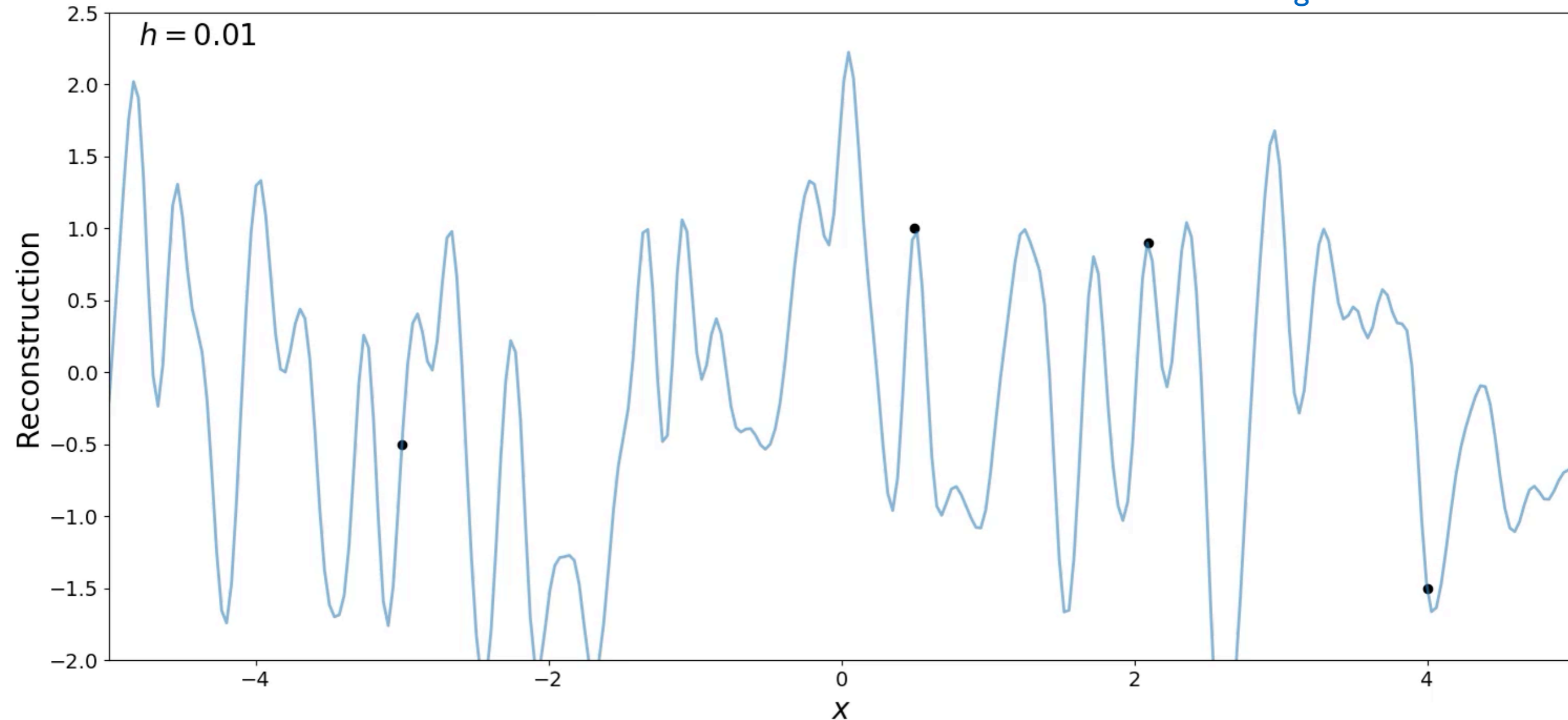
$$\Delta B_{\mathcal{R}} = \frac{(2\pi)^4 \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}0}^2}{(k_1 k_2 k_3)^2} \left\{ -\frac{2 k_1 k_2}{3 k_3} \left[\frac{1}{2k} \left(1 + \frac{k_3}{2k} \right) \frac{\Delta \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}}}{\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}0}} - \frac{k_3}{4k^2} \frac{d}{d \log k} \frac{\Delta \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}}}{\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}0}} \right] + 2 \text{ perm} + \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{4} \frac{k_1^2 + k_2^2 + k_3^2}{k_1 k_2 k_3} \left[\frac{1}{2k} \left(4k^2 - k_1 k_2 - k_2 k_3 - k_3 k_1 - \frac{k_1 k_2 k_3}{2k} \right) \frac{\Delta \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}}}{\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}0}} \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. - \frac{k_1 k_2 + k_2 k_3 + k_3 k_1}{2k} \frac{d}{d \log k} \left(\frac{\Delta \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}}}{\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}0}} \right) + \frac{k_1 k_2 k_3}{4k^2} \frac{d^2}{d \log k^2} \left(\frac{\Delta \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}}}{\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}0}} \right) \right] \right\}$$

Machine Learning techniques: Gaussian Processes

Kernel

$$K(x_1 - x_2) = \exp\left(\frac{-|x_1 - x_2|}{2h}\right)$$

Correlation length



Physics of Inflation

- ▶ First condition: a decreasing comoving Hubble radius
- ▶ This is analogous to:
 - ▶ Accelerated expansion = Negative pressure = Adiabatic condition

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{1}{aH} \right) < 0 \iff \boxed{\frac{d^2 a}{dt^2} > 0} \iff \boxed{\rho + 3p < 0} \iff \omega < -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$\epsilon_1 := -\frac{\dot{H}}{H^2} < 1$$

First slow-roll parameter

$$\epsilon_2 := \frac{\dot{\epsilon}}{H\epsilon} < 1$$

Second slow-roll parameter