

The POLARBEAR/Simons Array experiments

CMB Foregrounds for B-modes studies
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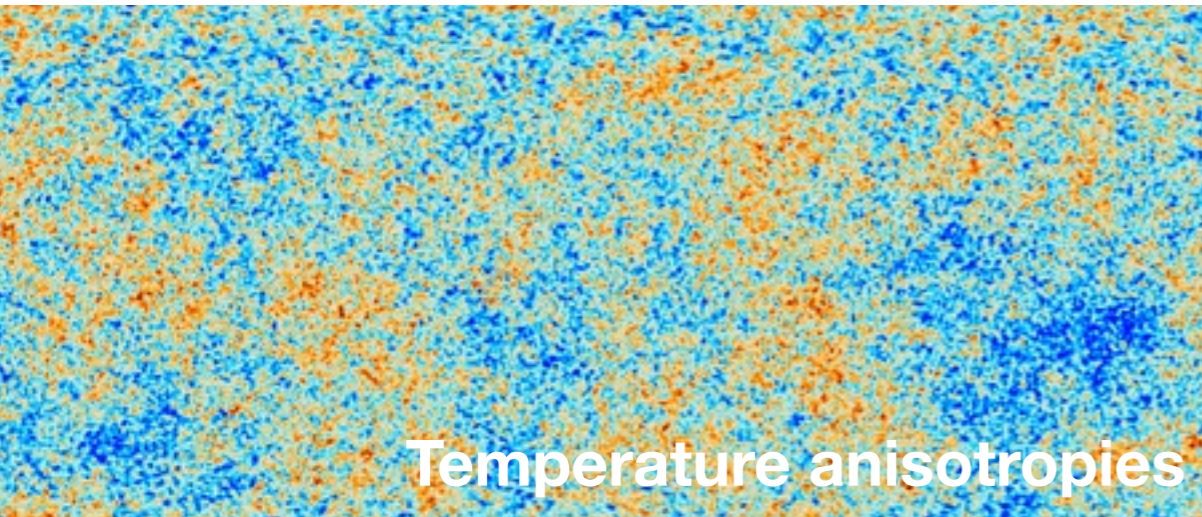
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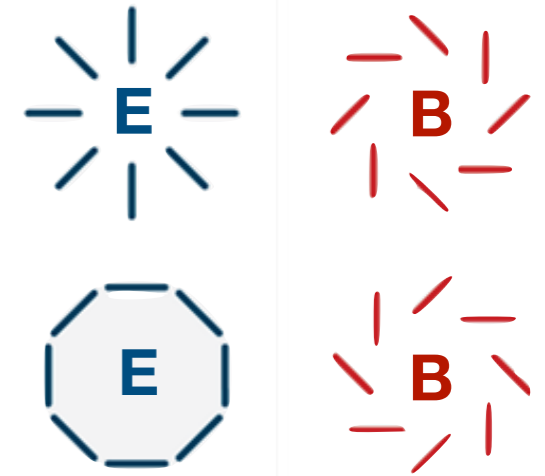
B-mode polarization



Initial conditions:

- compatible with scalar perturbations
- Information in temperature anisotropies already exploited

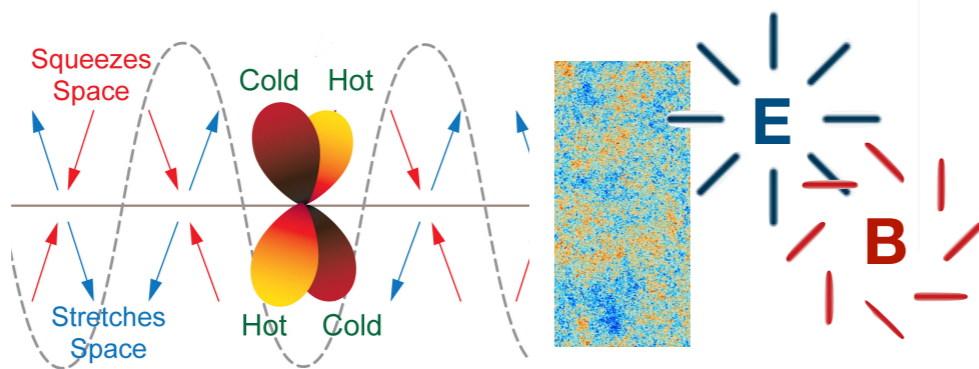
➔ Polarization



Scalar perturbations ➔ E modes

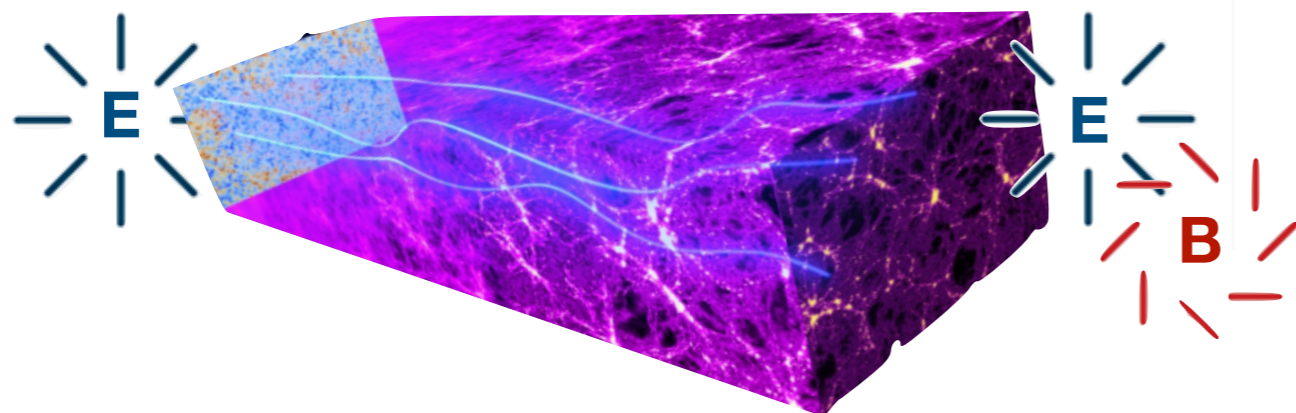
B-modes: clean channel for probing anything else

Tensor perturbations



Primordial B-modes (large scales)

- probe inflation (energy scale, consistency relation...)



Lensing B-modes (small scales)

- probe structure formation (neutrino mass, dark energy)

Many others (e.g. primordial magnetic fields, birefringence)

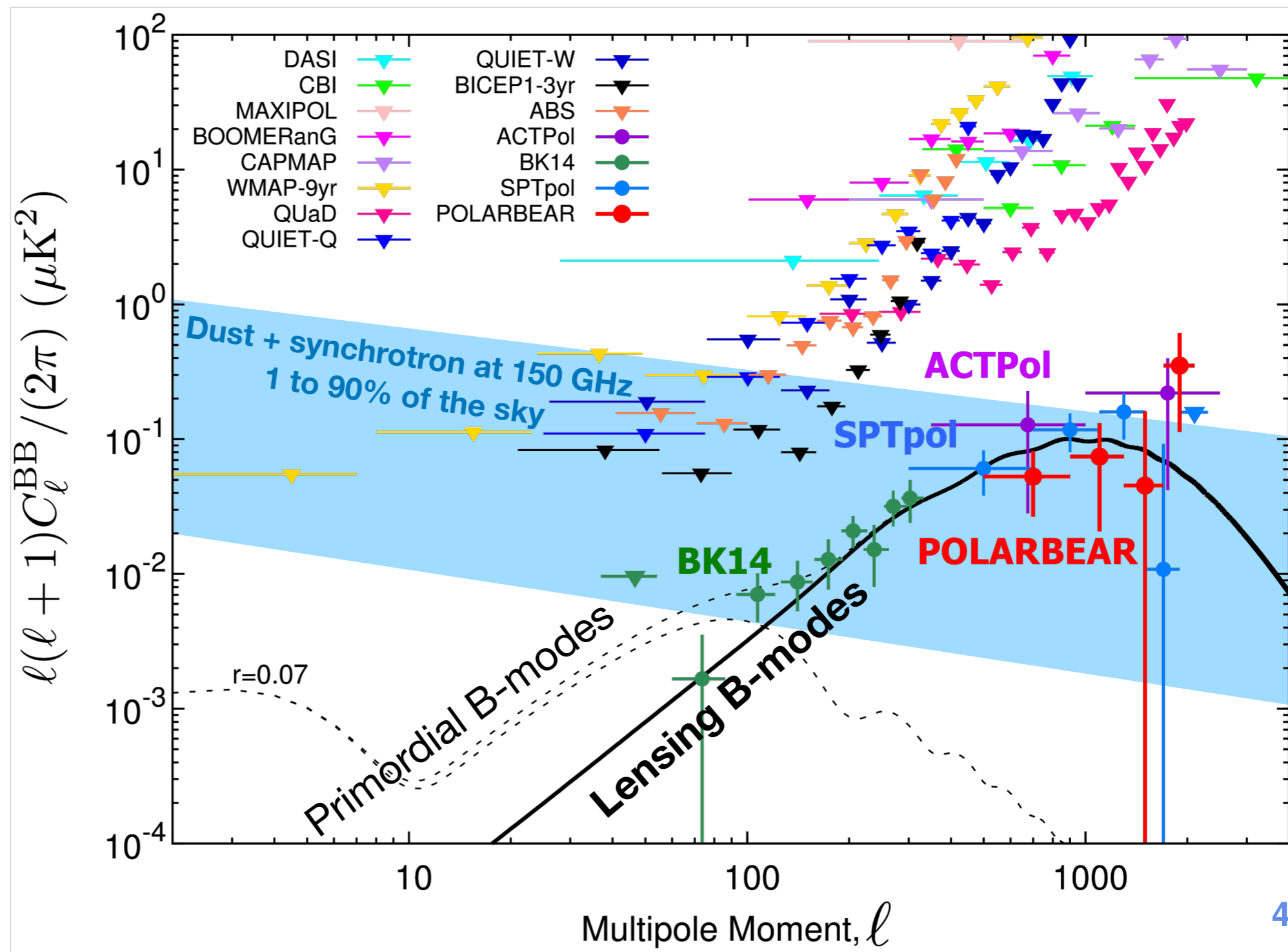
B-mode measurements

First measurements of lensing B-modes since 2014

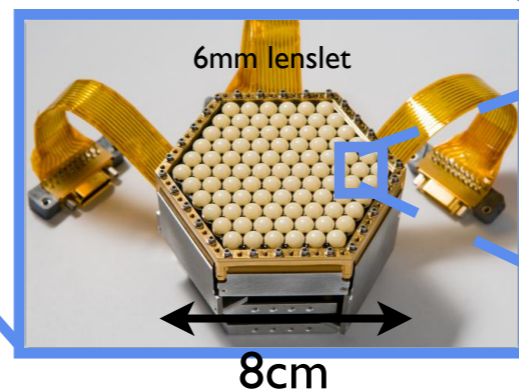
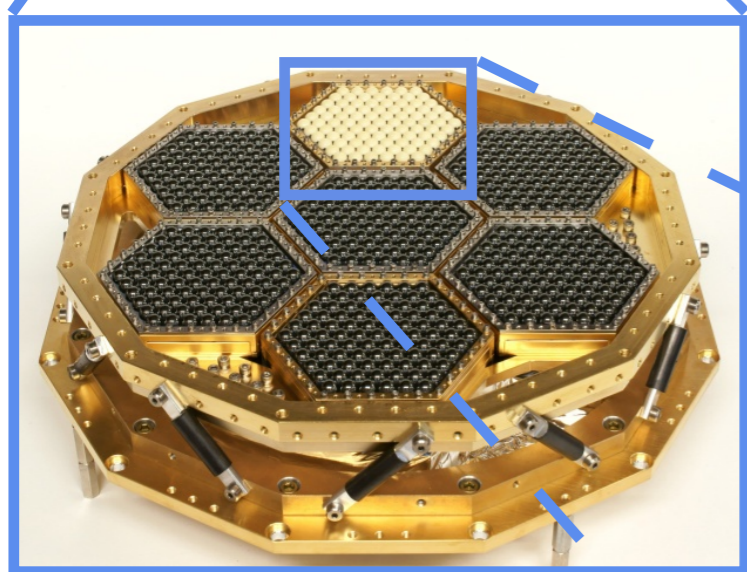
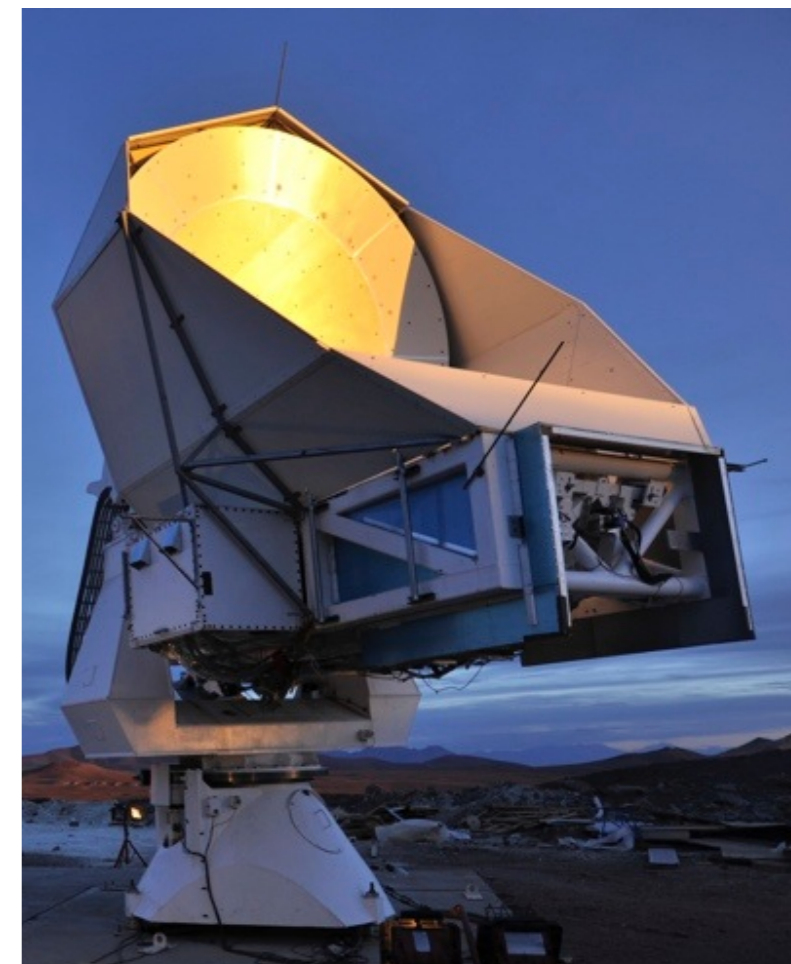
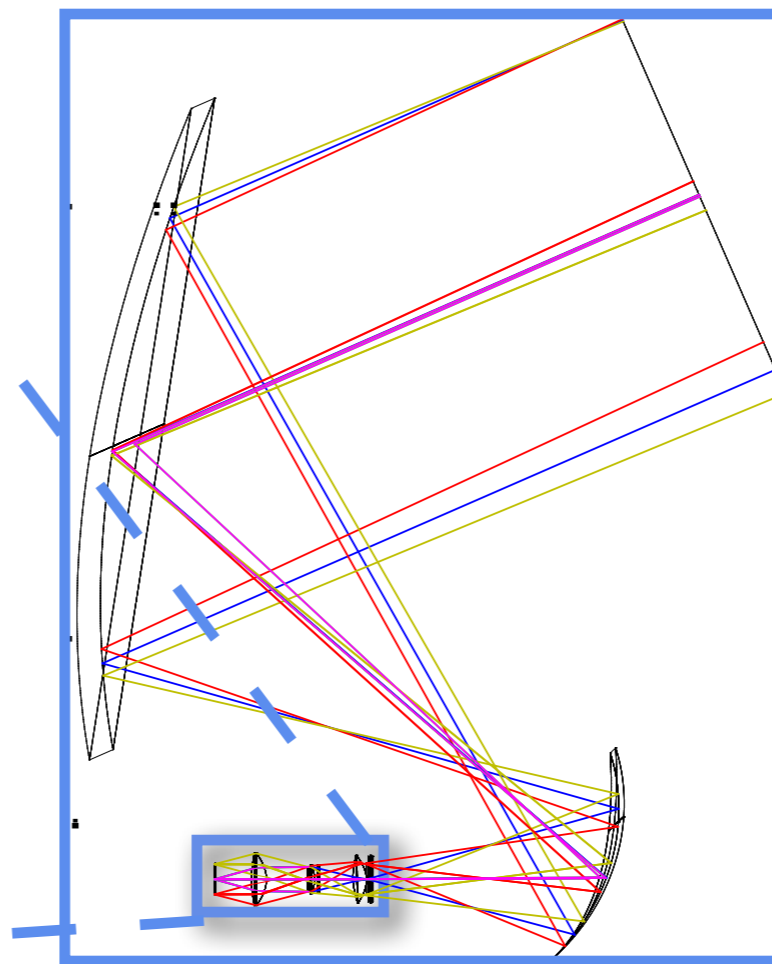
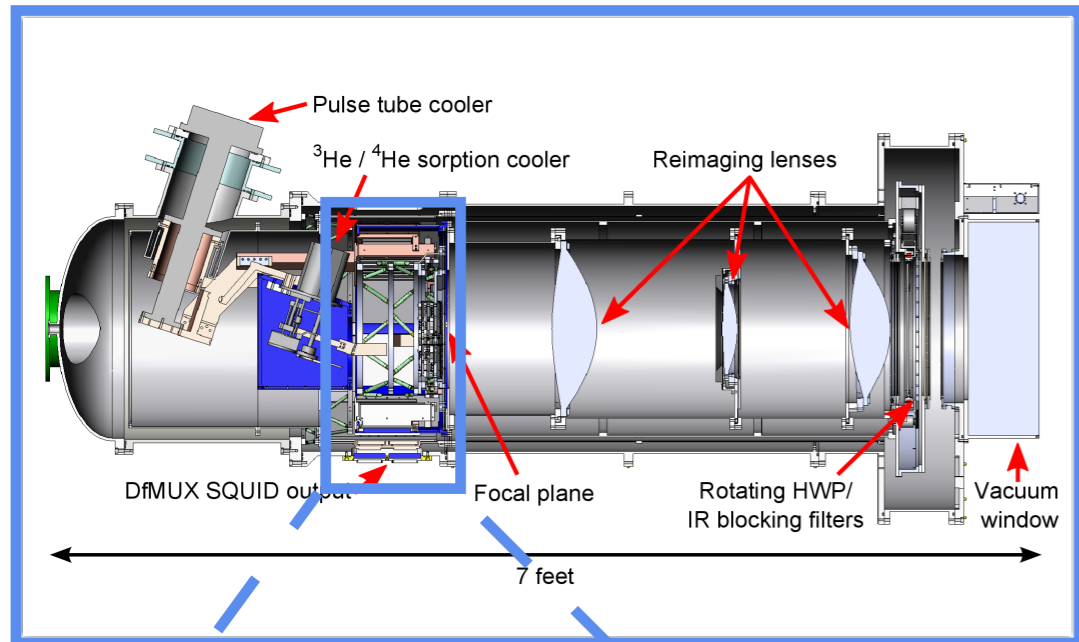
Primordial B-modes still undetected

Challenges

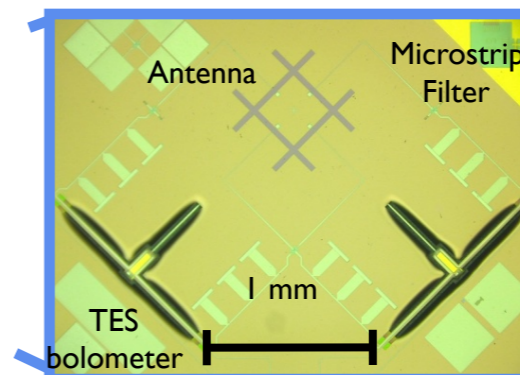
- Sensitivity
- Atmosphere
- Foregrounds
- Systematics



POLARBEAR design



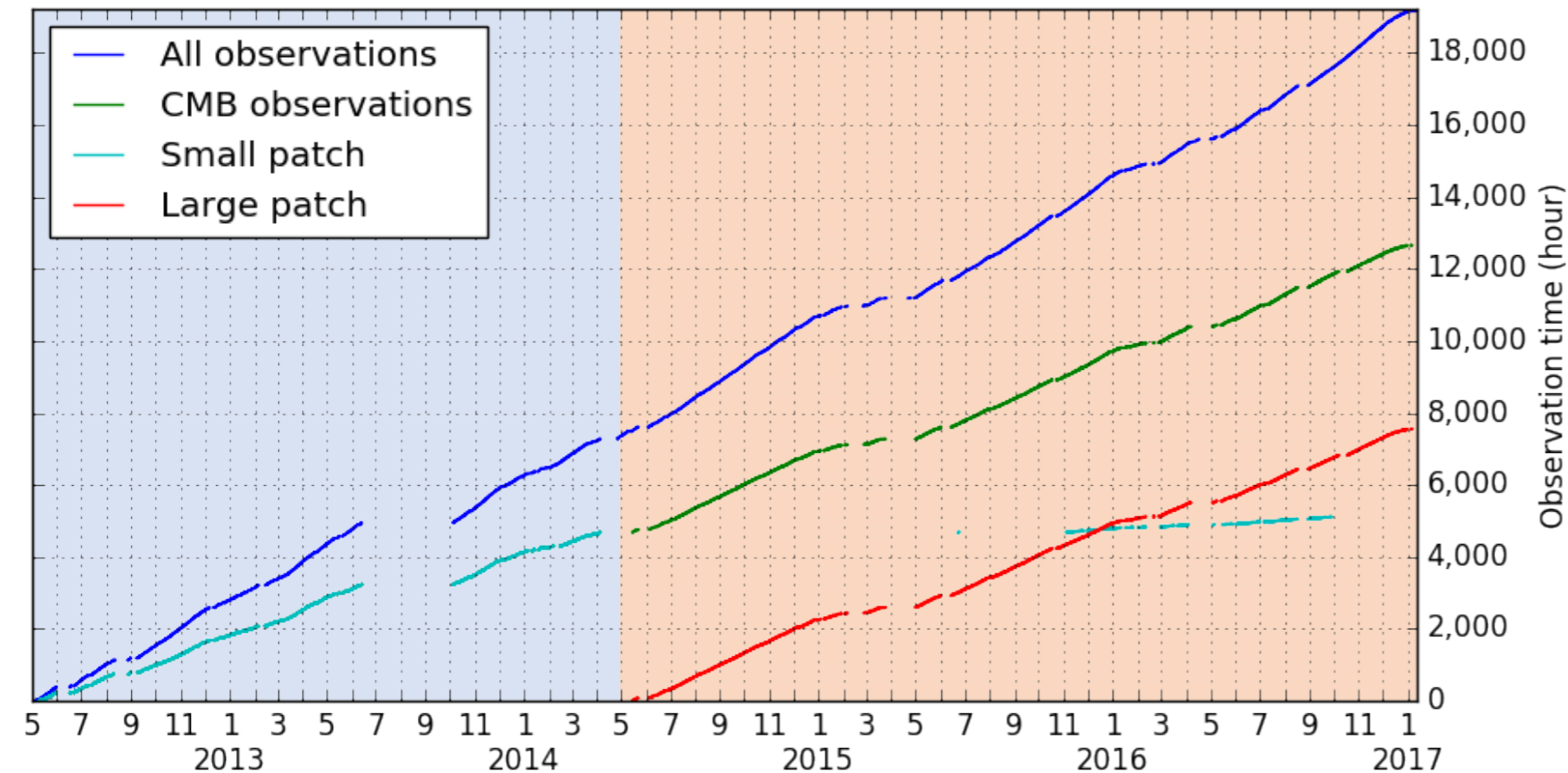
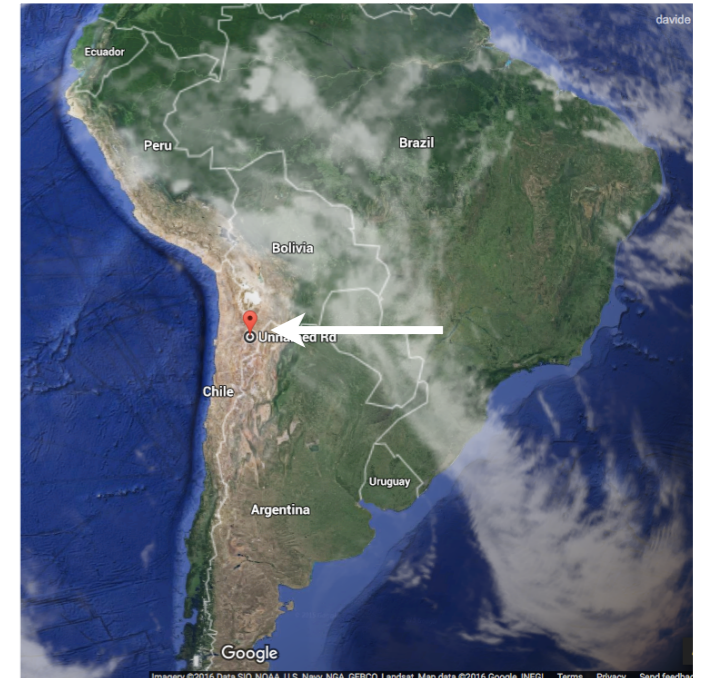
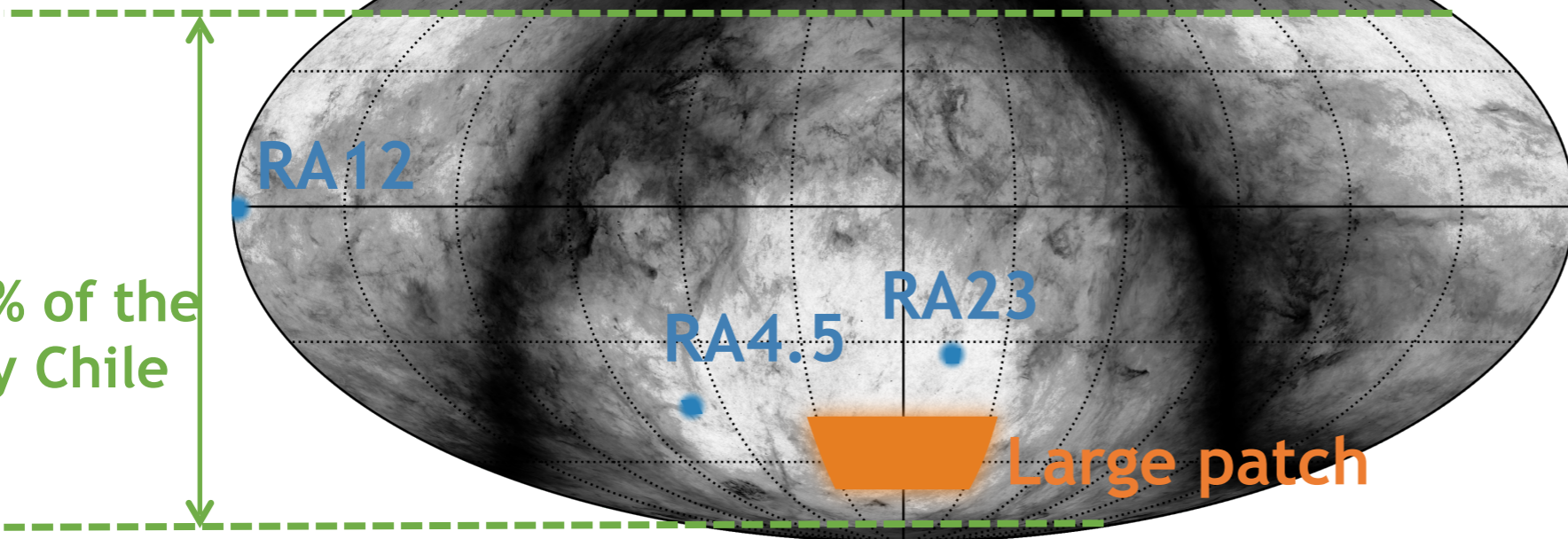
- Off-axis Gregorian-Dragnone design
- 2.5 m primary mirror
- 3.5' FWHM beam
- Focal plane cooled at 250 mK
- Lenslet-coupled double slot antennas
- 1274 TES bolometers at 150 GHz



For more details
Kermish et al. (2012)
Arnold et al. (2012)

POLARBEAR observational campaigns

PLANCK Commander
Thermal Dust Intensity



Atacama desert (altitude ~5200 m)

- Access to 80% of the sky
- Dry atmosphere

First and second season

- 3 x 10 deg² patches
- Sub-degree B-modes (lensing)

Third to fifth season

- 20x35 deg patch
- Primordial B-modes

POLARBEAR publications

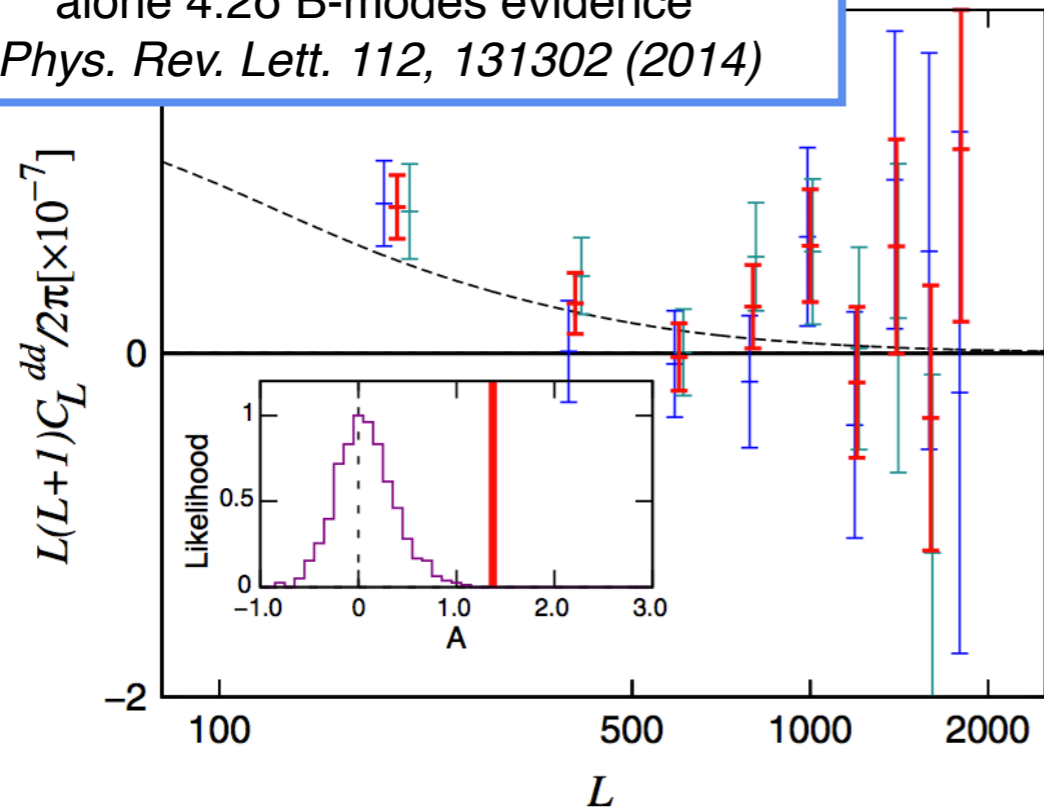
- **Lensing power spectrum** *POLARBEAR Collab. PRL 113, 021301 (2014a)*
- **Cross-correlation galaxy-CMB lensing**
POLARBEAR Collab. PRL 112, 131302 (2014b)
- **One-year B-mode power spectrum** *POLARBEAR Collab. ApJ 794, 171 (2014c)*
- **Atmospheric emission modelling** *Errard et al, ApJ 809, 63 (2015)*
- **Constraints on cosmic birefringence and primordial magnetic fields:**
POLARBEAR Collab. PRD 92, 123509 (2015)
- **Unbiased mapmaking technique** *Poletti et al A&A Vol 600 (2017)*
- **Two-year B-mode power spectrum** *POLARBEAR Collab. ApJ 848, 121 (2017)*
- **Continuously rotating HWP demonstration** *Takakura et al, JCAP 05 008 (2017)*
- **Polarization from ice clouds:** *Takakura et al, arXiv:1809.06556 (submitted ApJ)*

In preparation / ongoing analyses

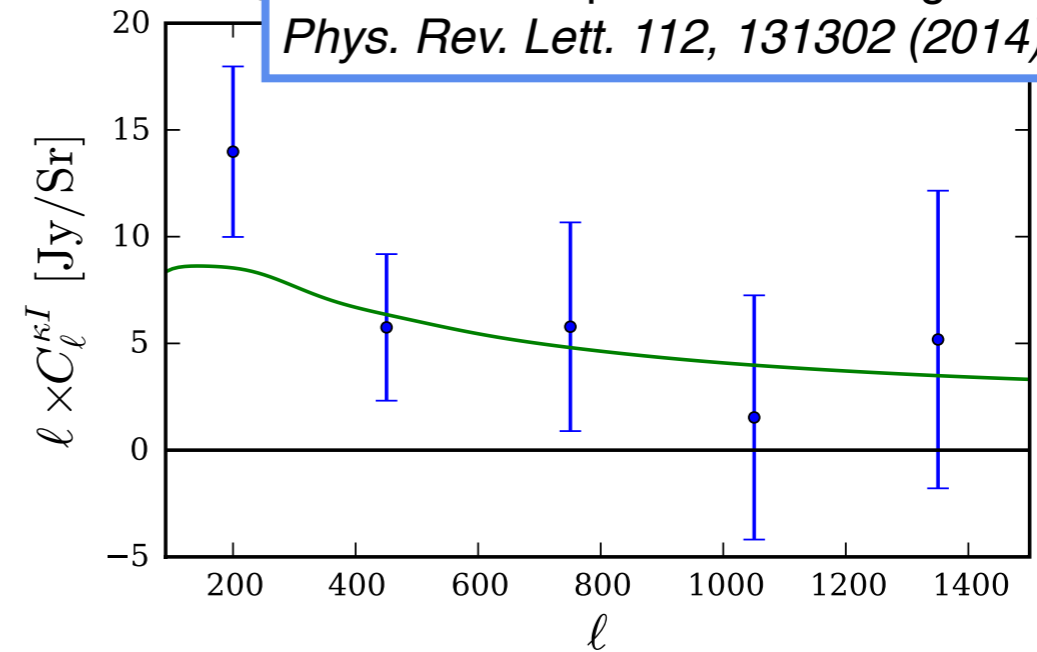
- **Two-season lensing power spectrum**
- **Two-season cross-correlation high-z galaxies-CMB lensing**
- **Cross-correlation galaxy lensing-CMB lensing**
- **Large patch analysis**

First season cosmological results

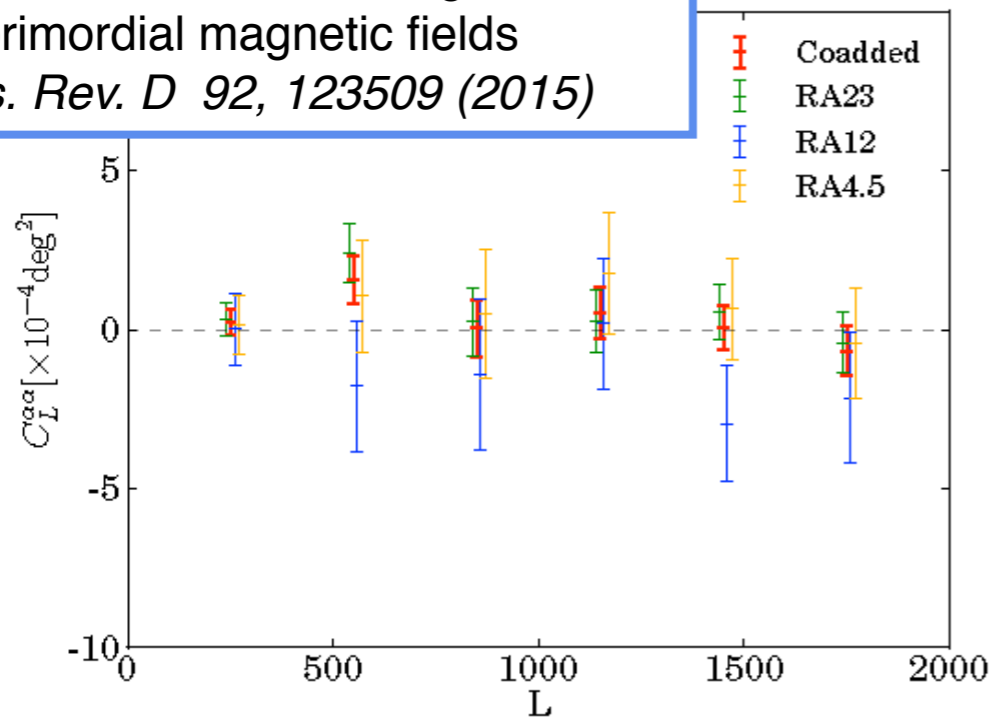
Lensing reconstruction from polarization
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Phys. Rev. Lett. 112, 131302 (2014)



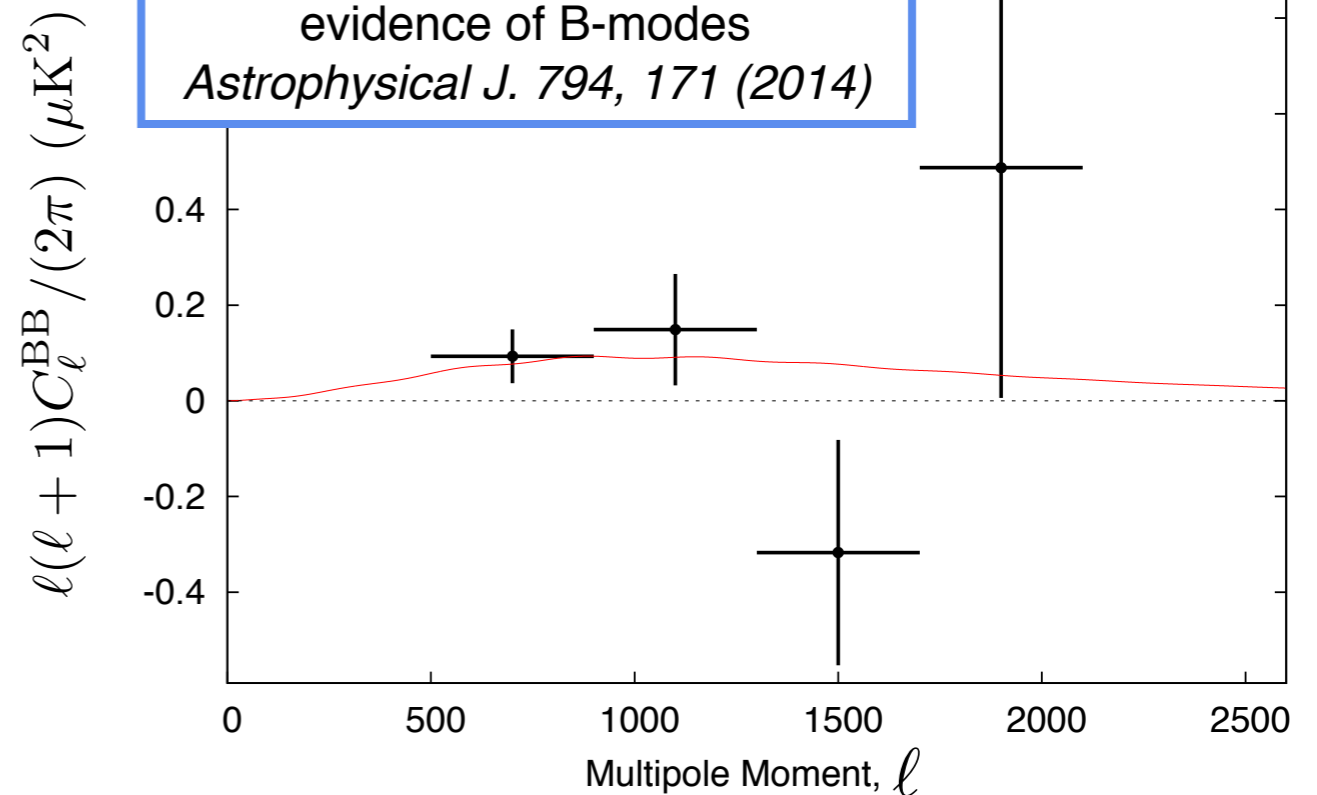
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Constraint on cosmic birefringence and
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Phys. Rev. D 92, 123509 (2015)



97.5% c.i. B-modes direct
evidence of B-modes
Astrophysical J. 794, 171 (2014)

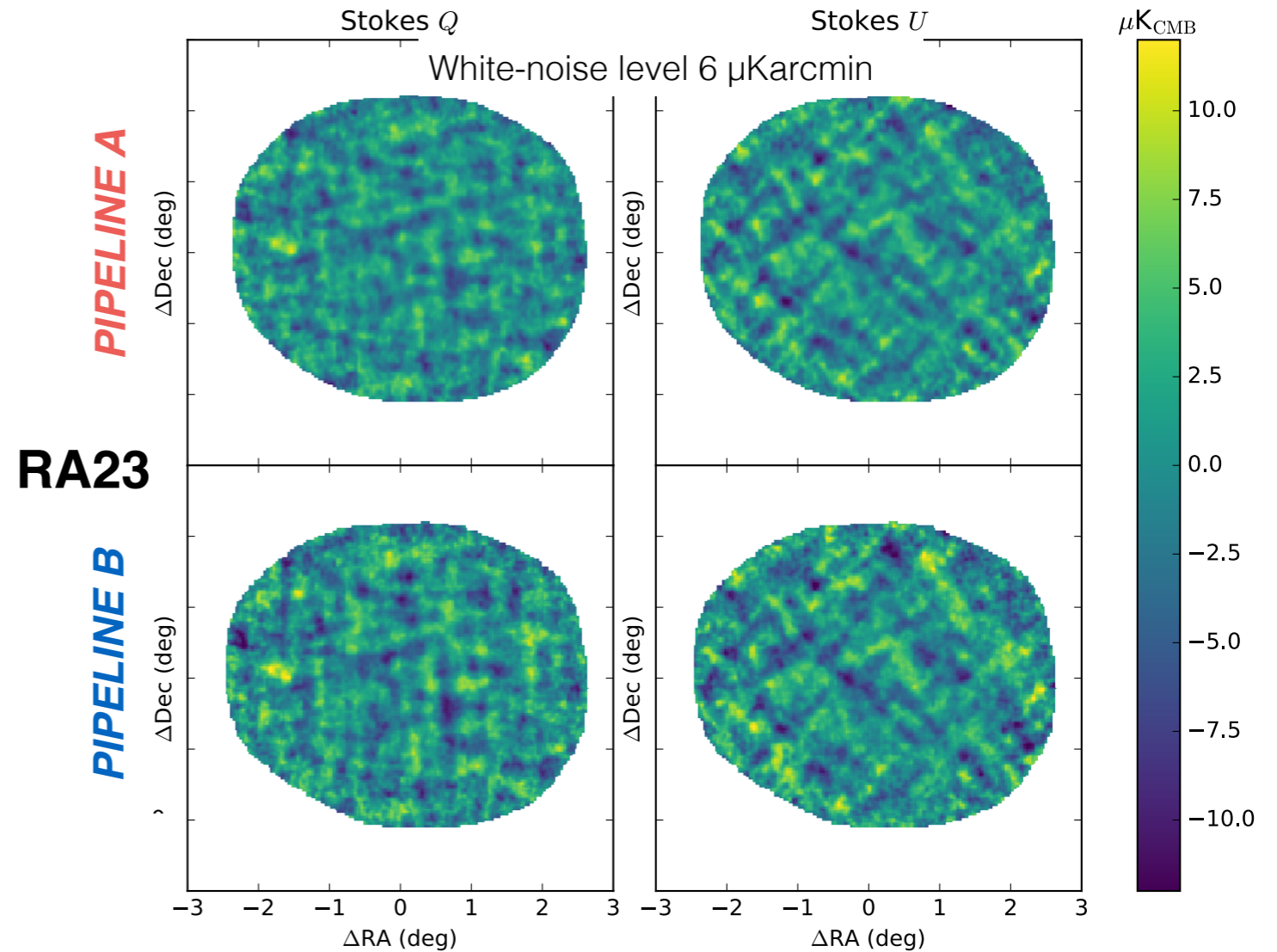
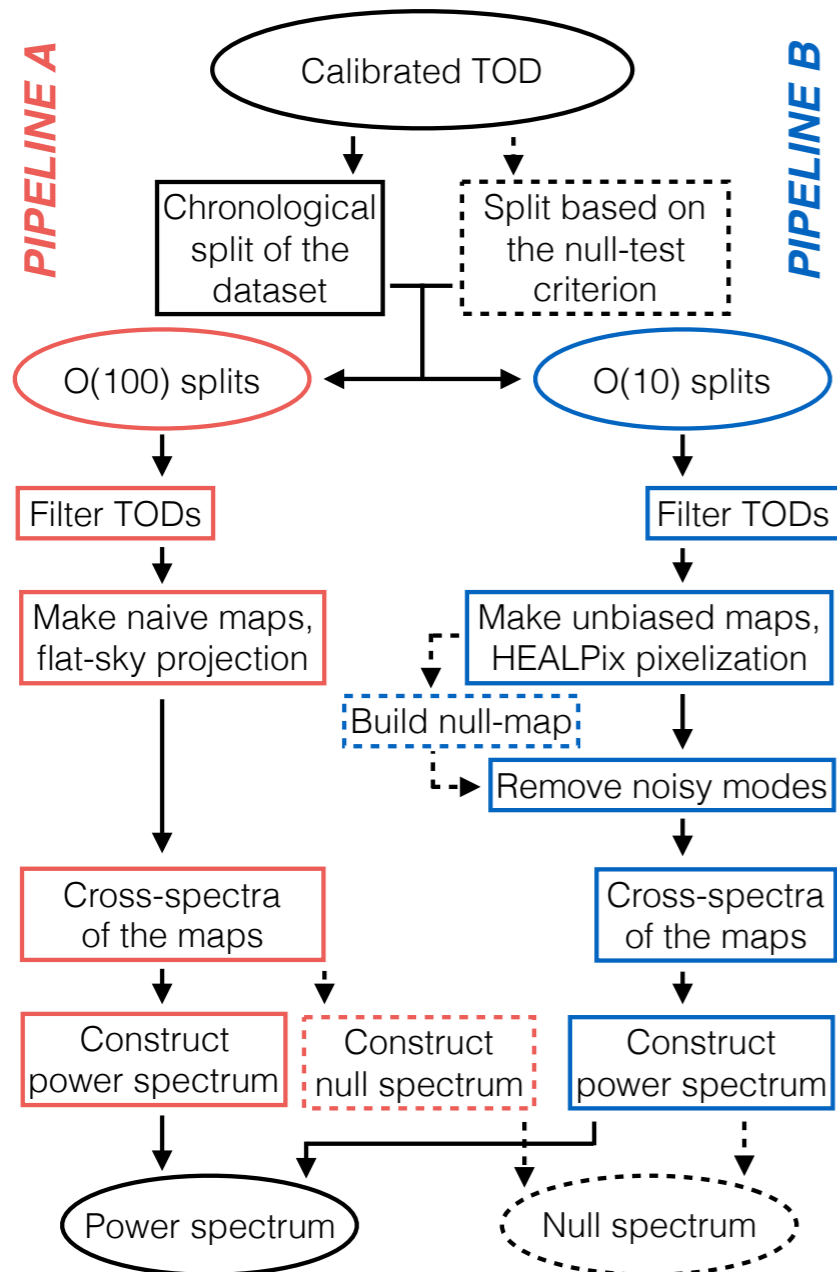


POLARBEAR Second Season Results

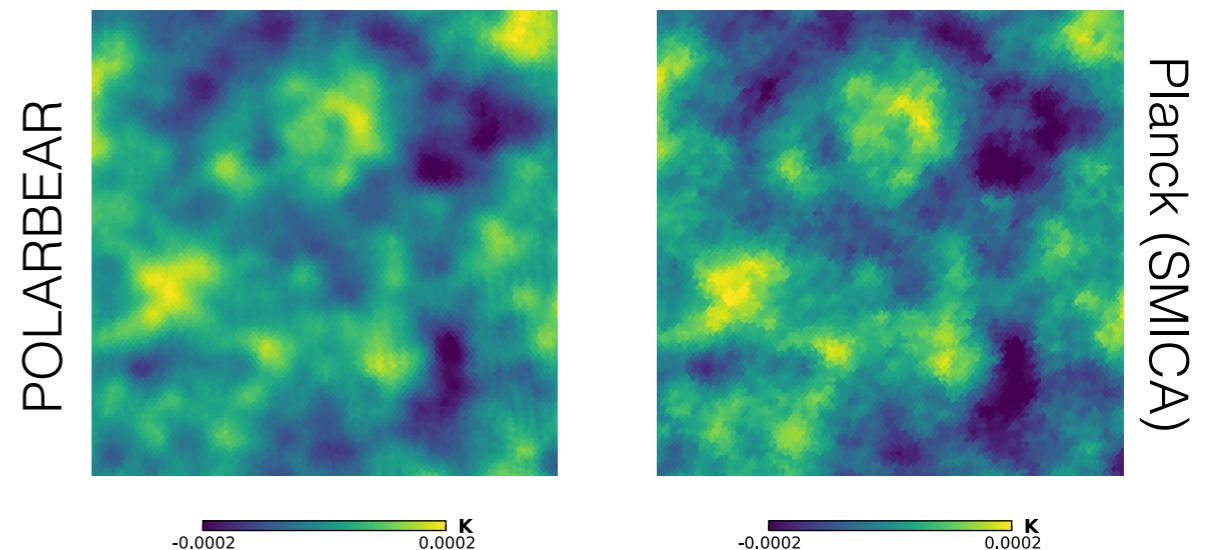
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Compared to first season results:

- 61% more data
- Improved calibration
- New independent pipeline (*Poletti et al, 2017*)



RA23
Stokes T
 $3^\circ \times 3^\circ$
center



Validation

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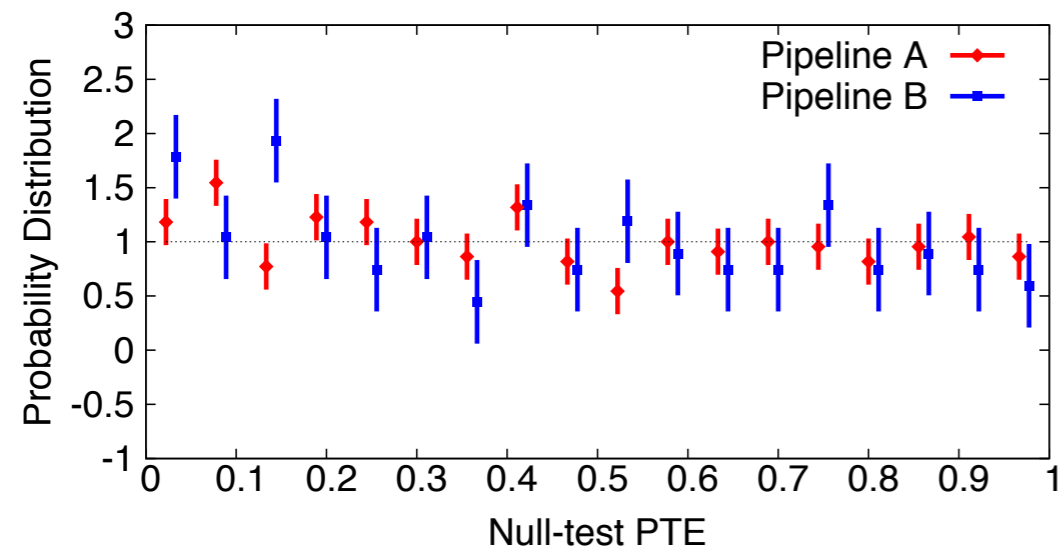
Blind policy

Data selection and quality assessment before inspecting the BB power spectrum

NULL TESTS

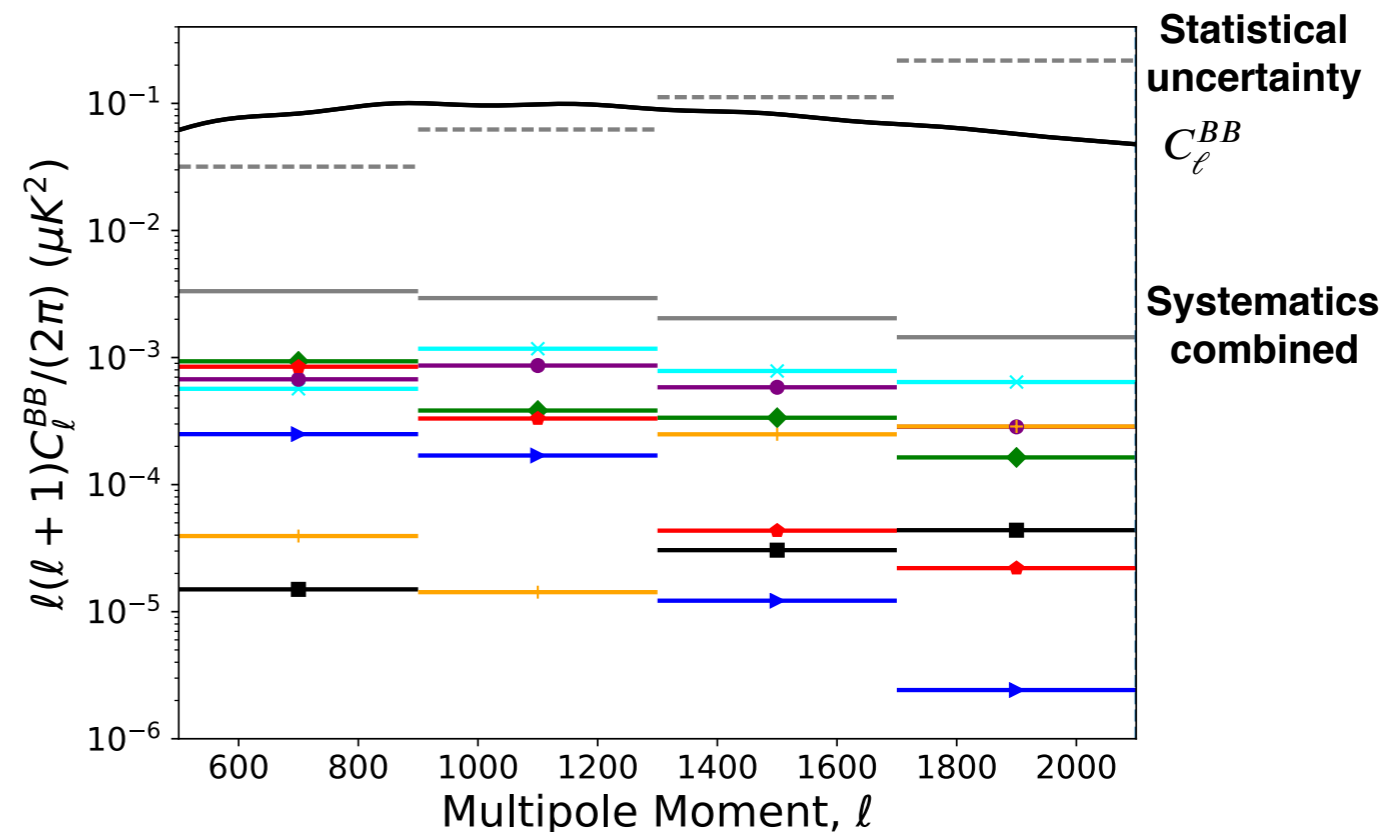
Systematics control and error-bars validation.

(temporal, weather, scan direction, calibration, sun or moon location...)



Compatible with flat distribution (i.e. the null spectra are compatible with the noise model)

INSTRUMENTAL EFFECTS



End-to-end propagation of systematics.

Polarization angle

Pointing

Gain drifts

Differential gain

Readout crosstalk

Differential **beam ellipticity** and **shape**.

Foregrounds

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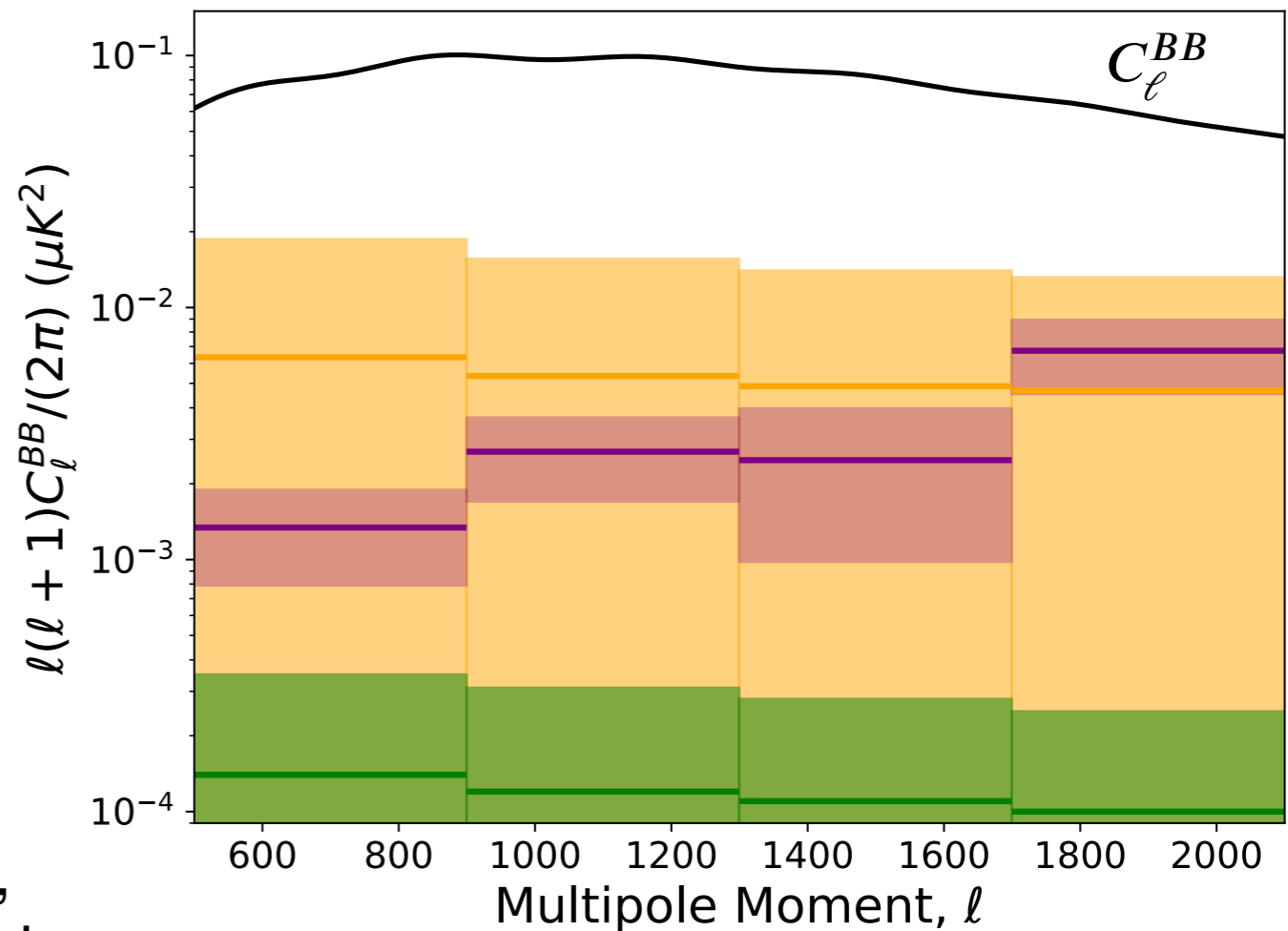
Diffuse foregrounds

Dust and **synchrotron** are evaluated using Planck 353 GHz and 30 GHz and WMAP K-band polarization maps.

- Extend the patches
- Measure foregrounds power at large scales ($\ell = 80$)
- Extrapolate the power spectrum to PB angular scales and frequency
- Contamination compatible with zero

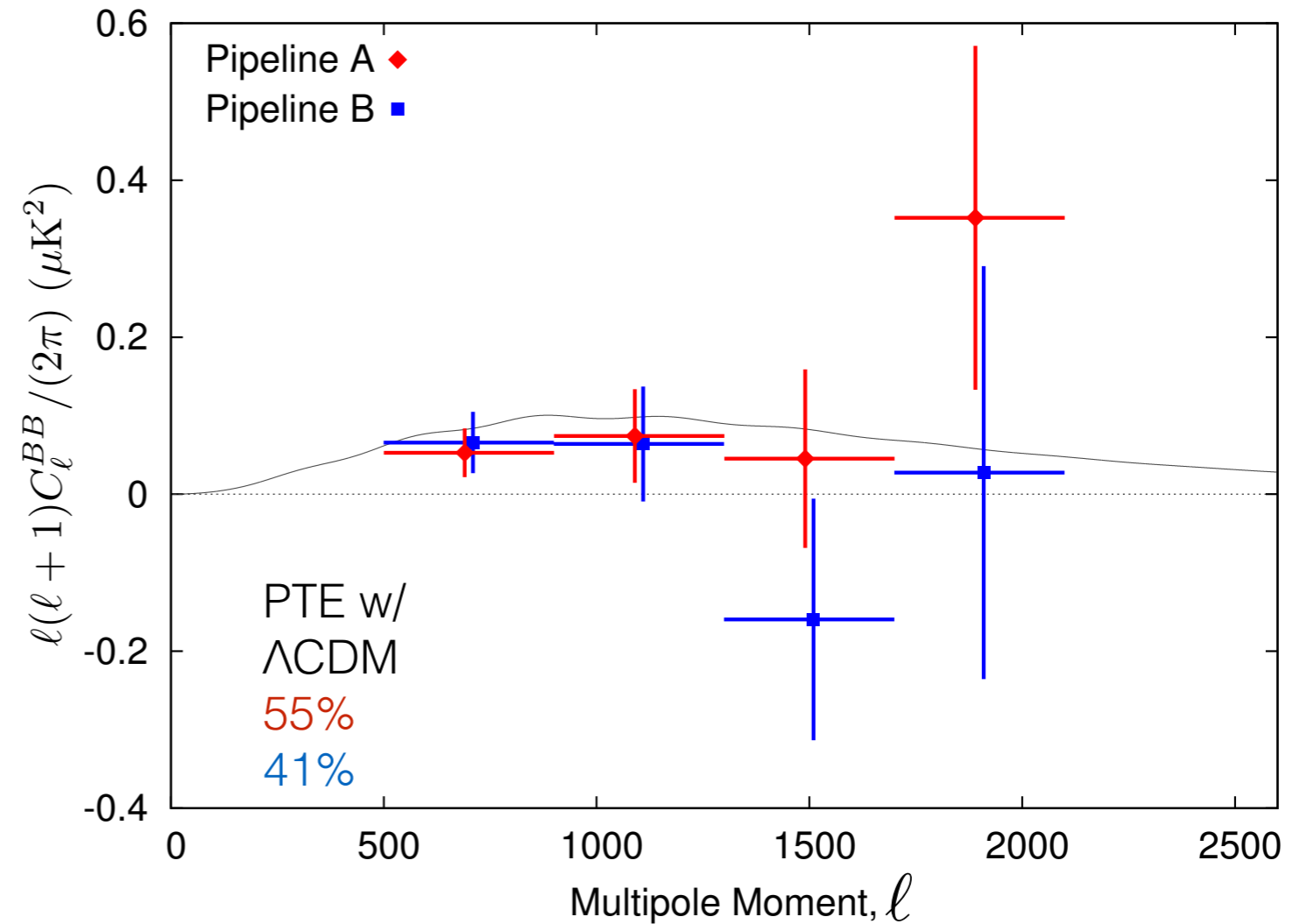
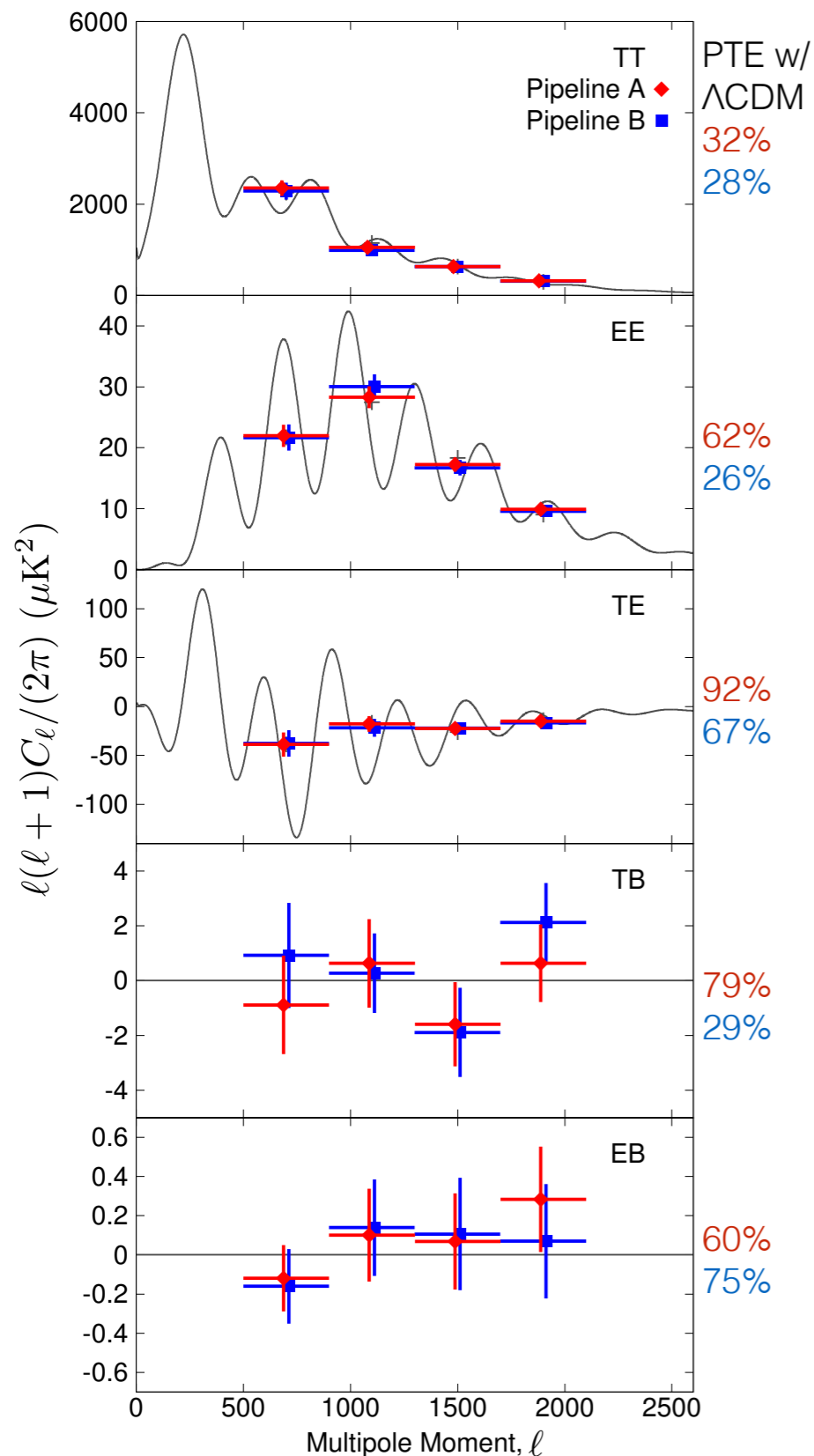
Dusty and radio galaxies

Set of simulated galaxies with distribution, intensity and polarization fraction modelled after observation (*De Zotti et al, 2005; George et al, 2015; Bonavera et al, 2017*)



POLARBEAR Second Season Results

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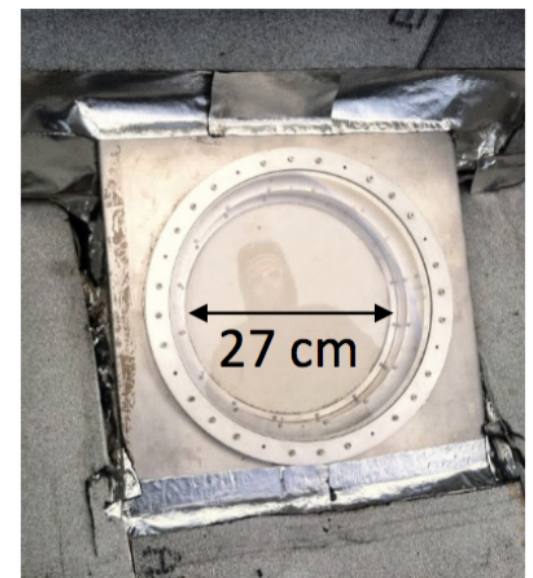
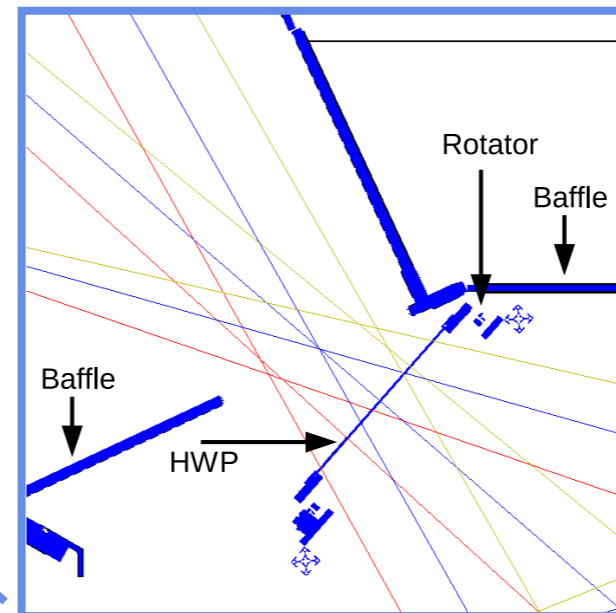
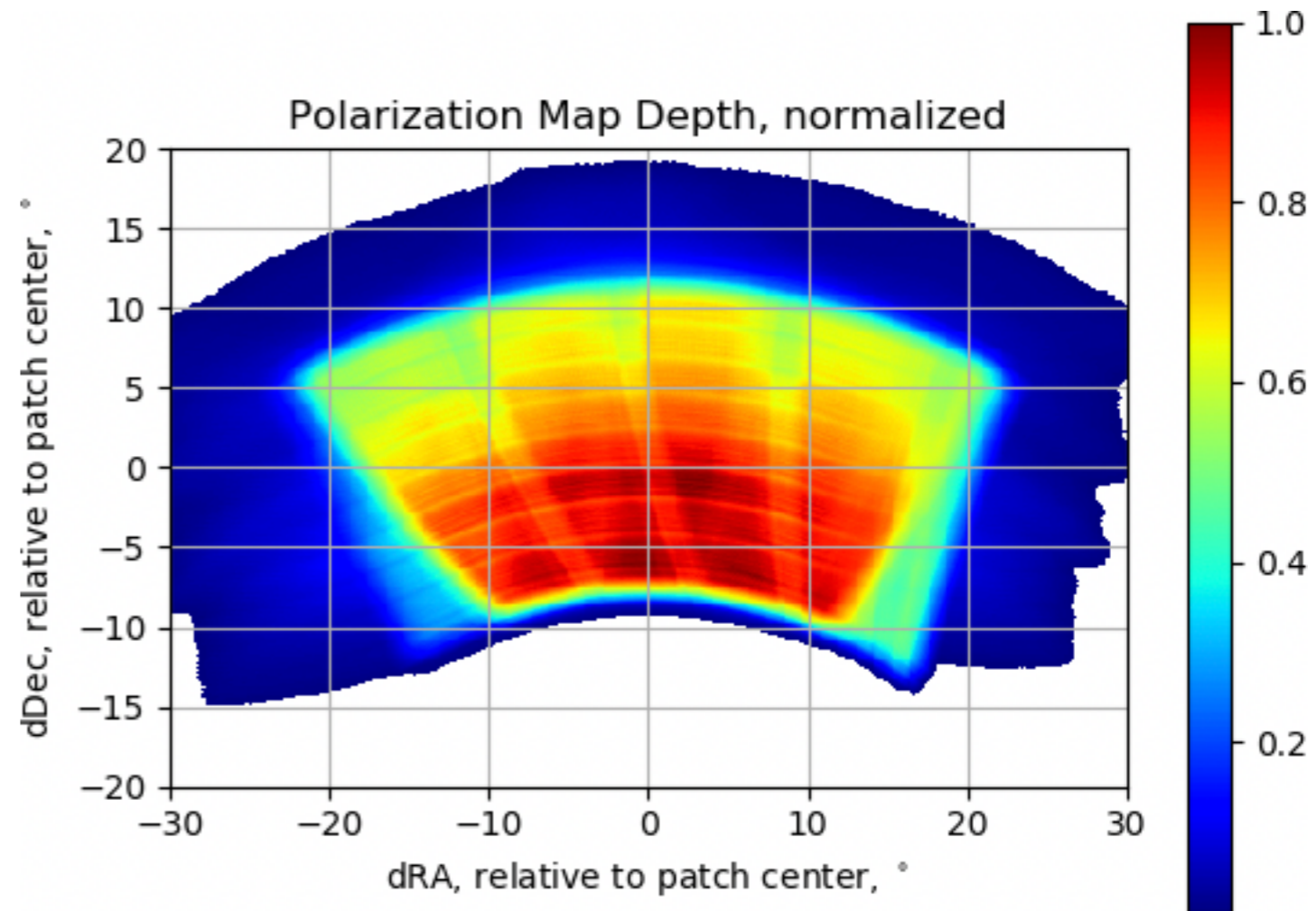
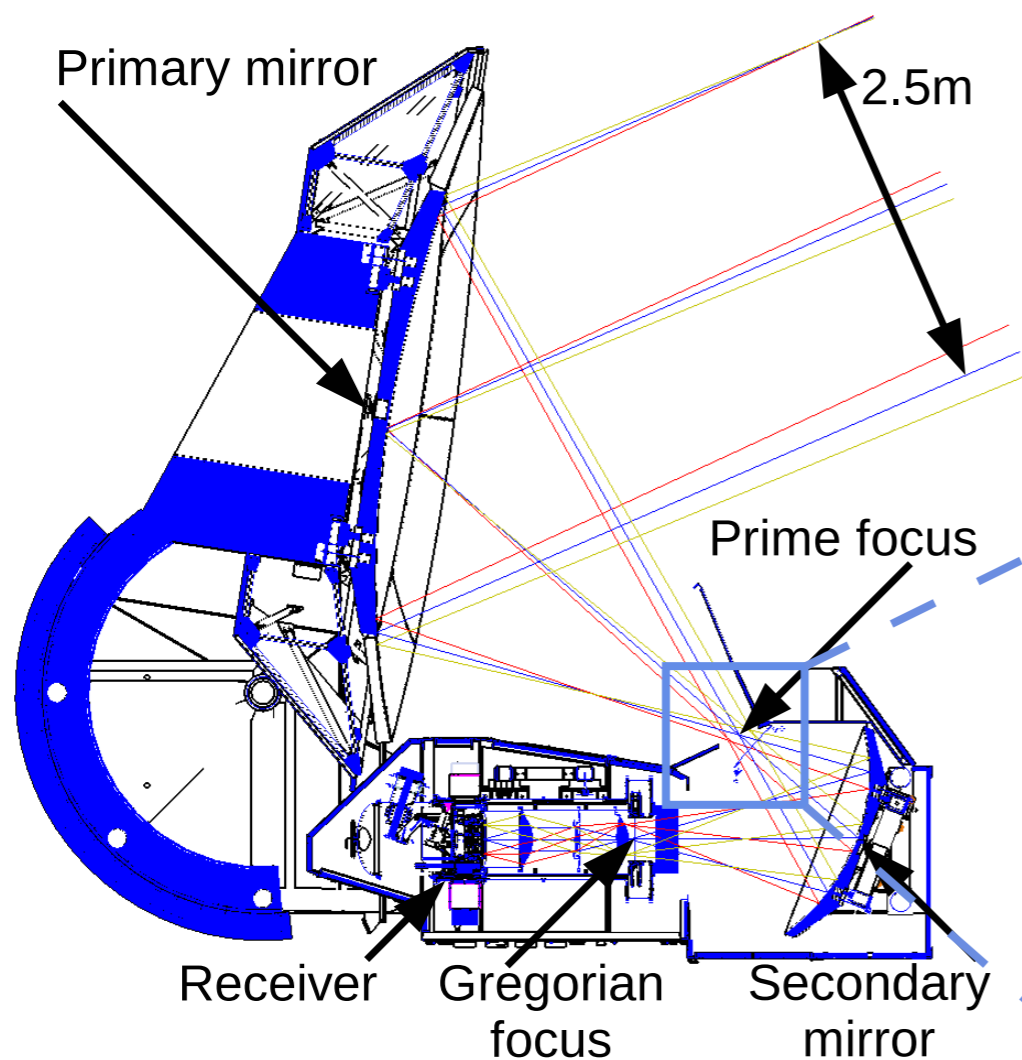


- All spectra are compatible with Λ CDM and between the pipelines (28% pte)
- 3.1σ rejection of no B-modes
- Measured amplitude of lensing B-modes

$$A_L = 0.60^{+0.26}_{-0.24}(\text{stat}) \quad {}^{+0.00}_{-0.04}(\text{inst}) \pm 0.14(\text{foreground}) \pm 0.04(\text{mult})$$

Towards primordial B-modes

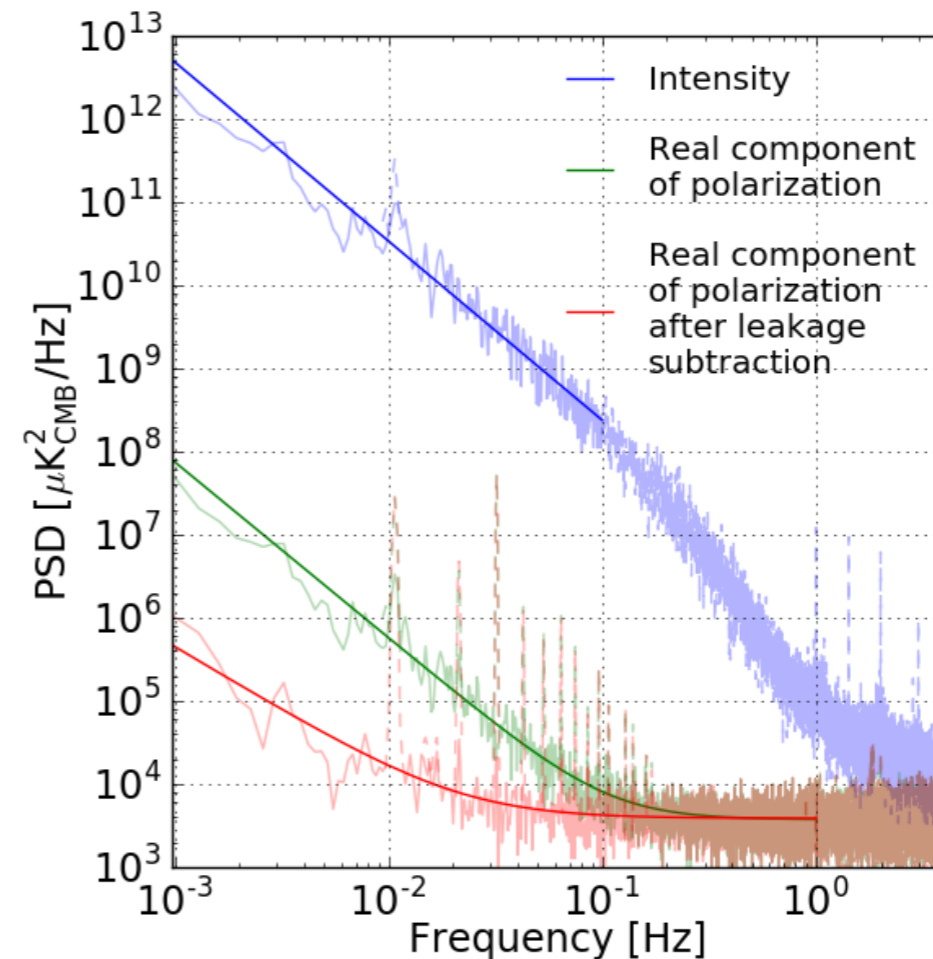
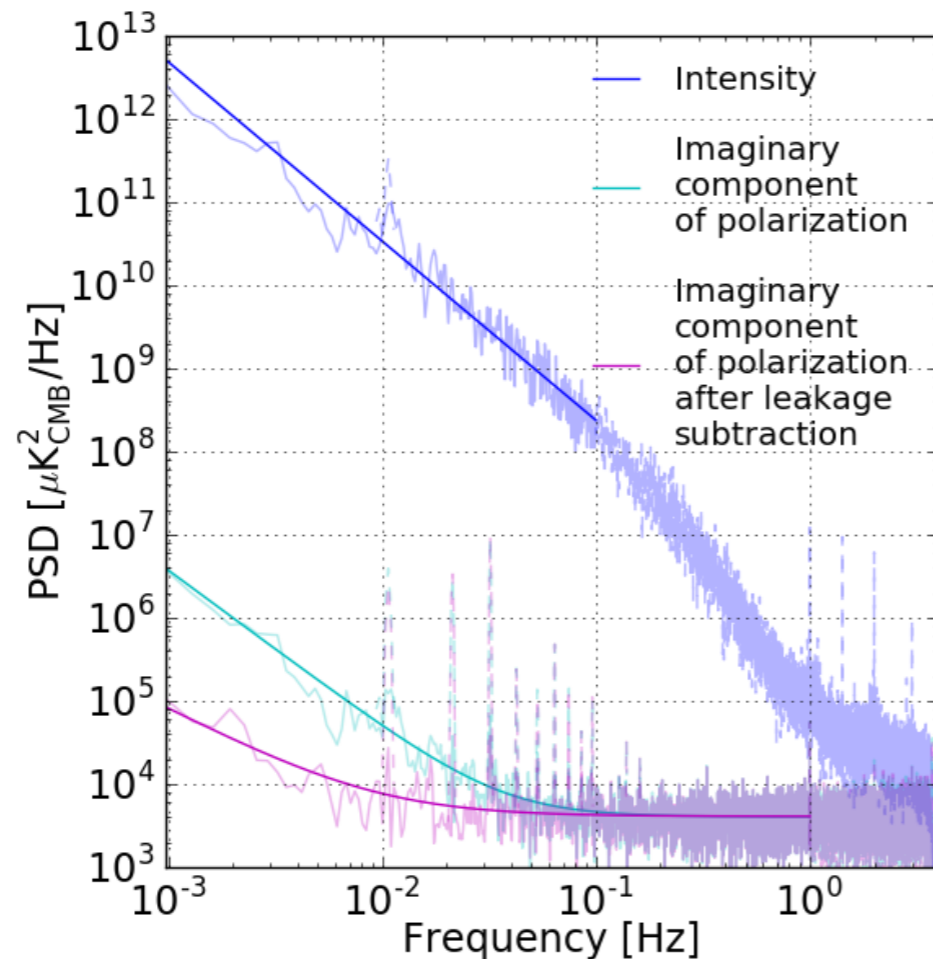
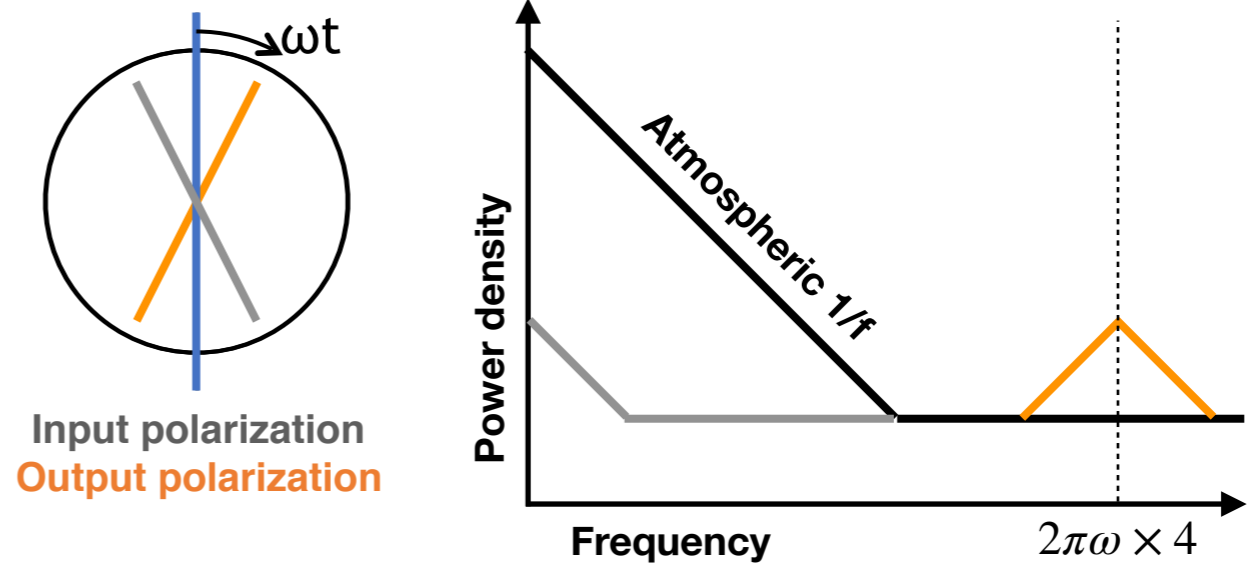
- After second season: Observation of a 700 deg² patch
- Continuously rotating half-wave plate (CRHWP) installed at the prime focus



On-sky performance of the CRHWP

Takakura et al, JCAP 05 008 (2017)

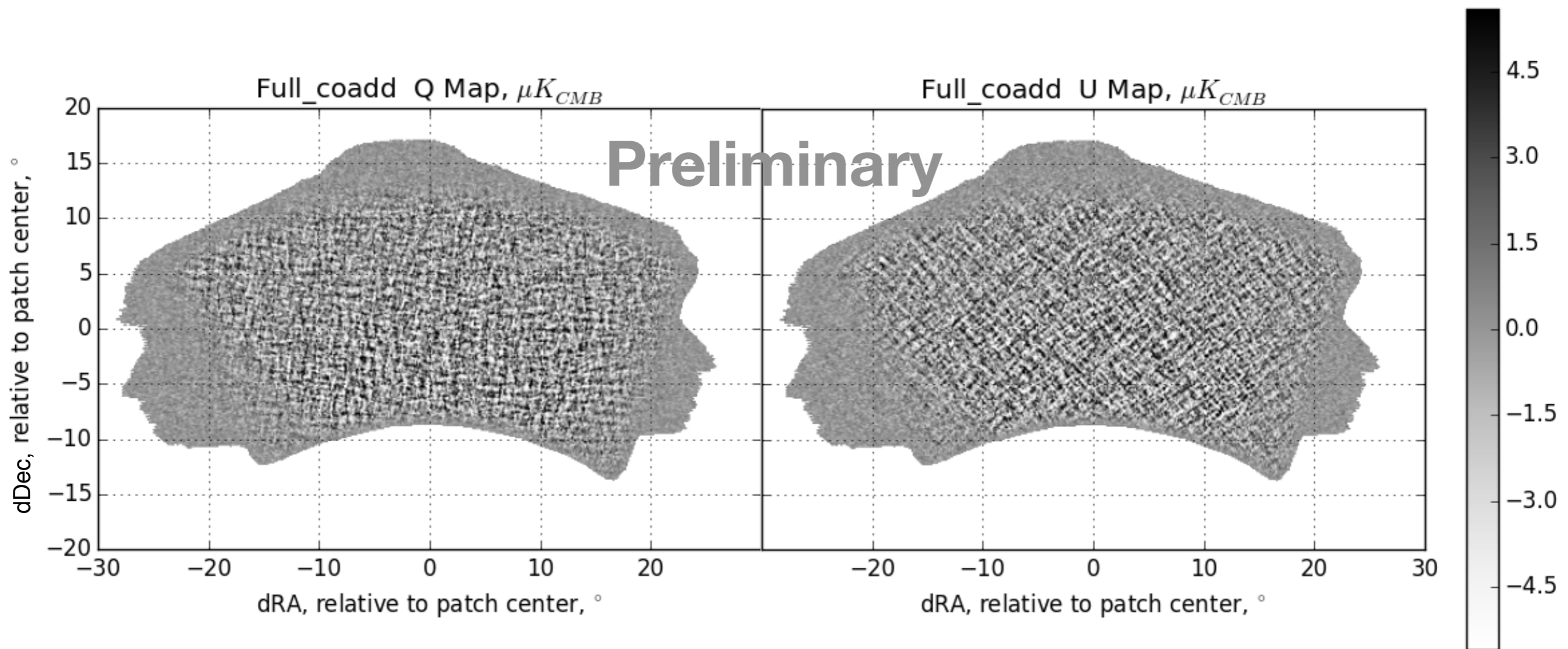
- Atmospheric signal has strong $1/f$ component
- CRHWP spinning at 2 Hz
 - ➔ Polarization modulated at 8Hz
- $1/f$ knee 32 mHz ($\ell \sim 39$)



Large patch analysis

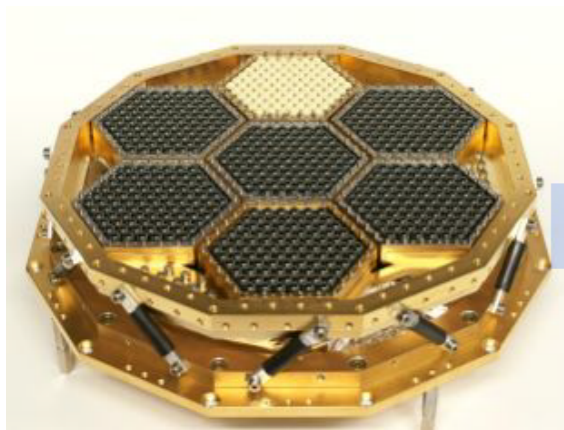
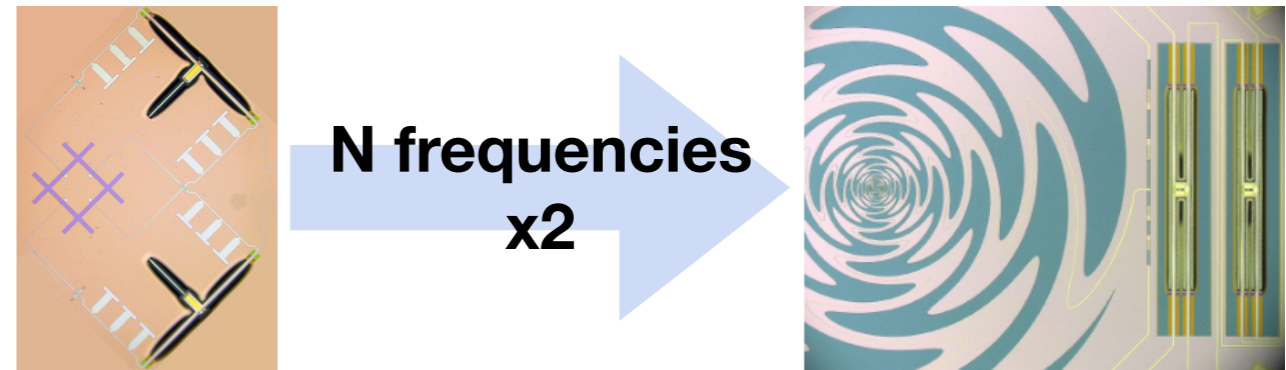
POLARBEAR Collaboration, in preparation

- Effective sky area: 700 deg²
- Three season data
- Analysis ongoing, stay tuned



POLARBEAR-2A receiver

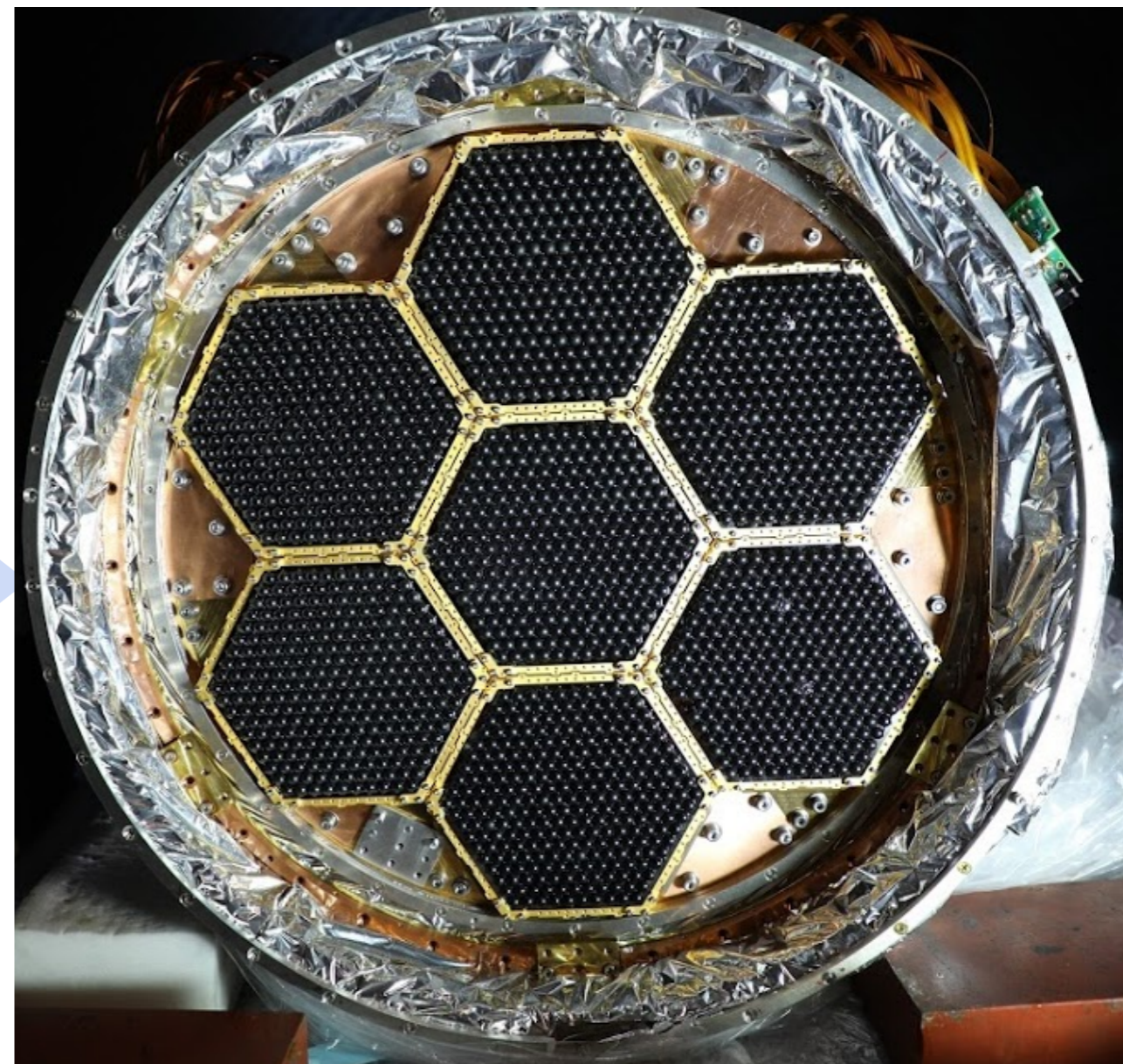
- Broadband sinuous antennas
- 7,588 bolometers observing in 95 GHz and 150 GHz band
- Nominal array sensitivity at 150 GHz
 $5.8 \mu K_{\text{CMB}} \sqrt{s}$ (Suzuki et al, 2015)
- Broadband HWP at secondary focus (Hill and Beckman et al, 2016)
- First light by the end of 2018



19 cm

Field of view x2.1

N detectors x6



36.5 cm

Simons Array

- 3 telescopes
- 22,764 bolometers total
- Frequency bands: 95 / 150 / 220 / 270 GHz
- Full array projected sensitivity $2.5 \mu K_{\text{CMB}} \sqrt{s}$

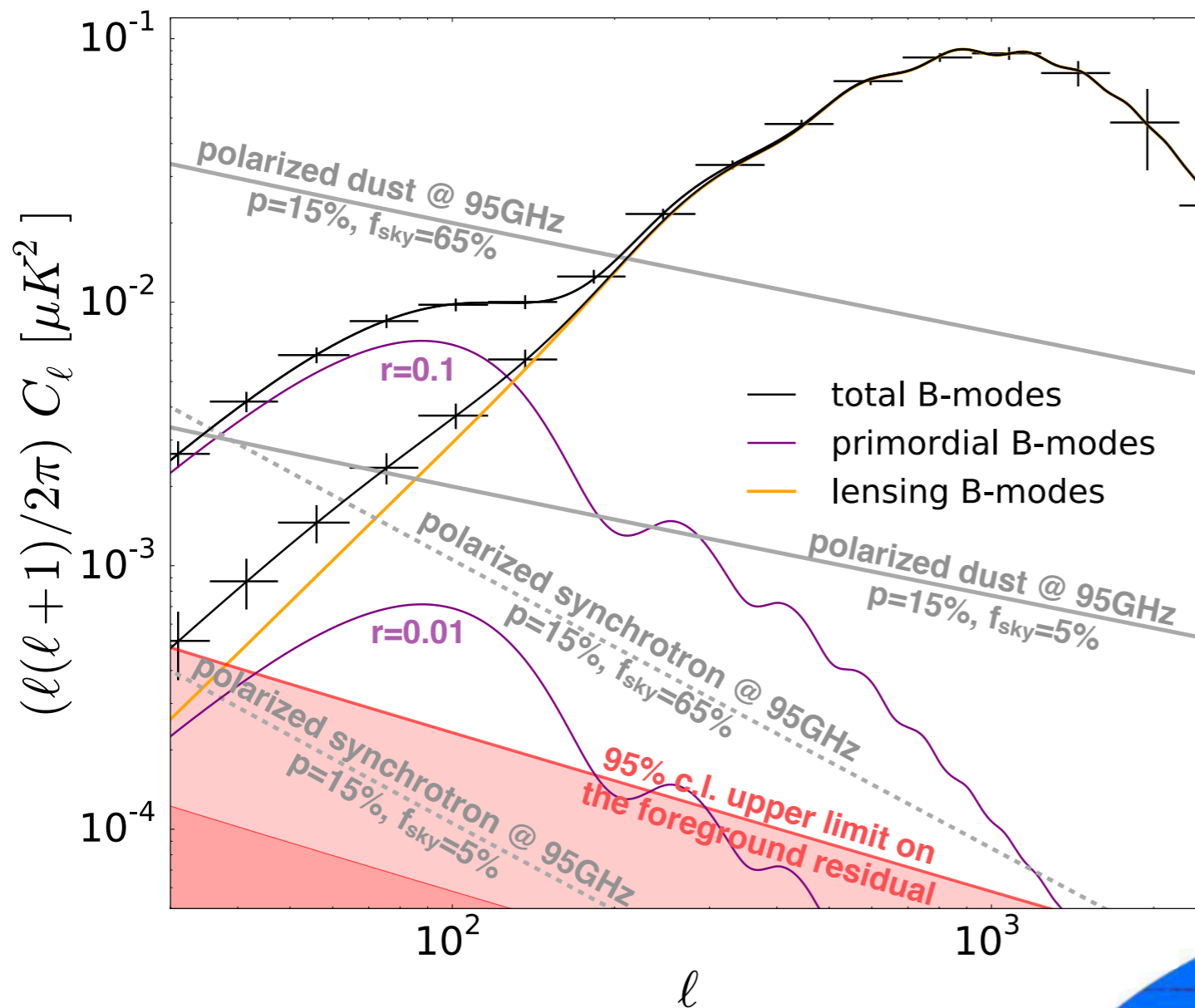
POLARBEAR-2A
95 / 150 GHz
(end of 2018)

POLARBEAR-2B
95 / 150 GHz
(2019)

POLARBEAR-2C
220 / 270 GHz
(2019)



Simons array



Expected constraints after foreground cleaning on the **tensor-to-scalar ratio**

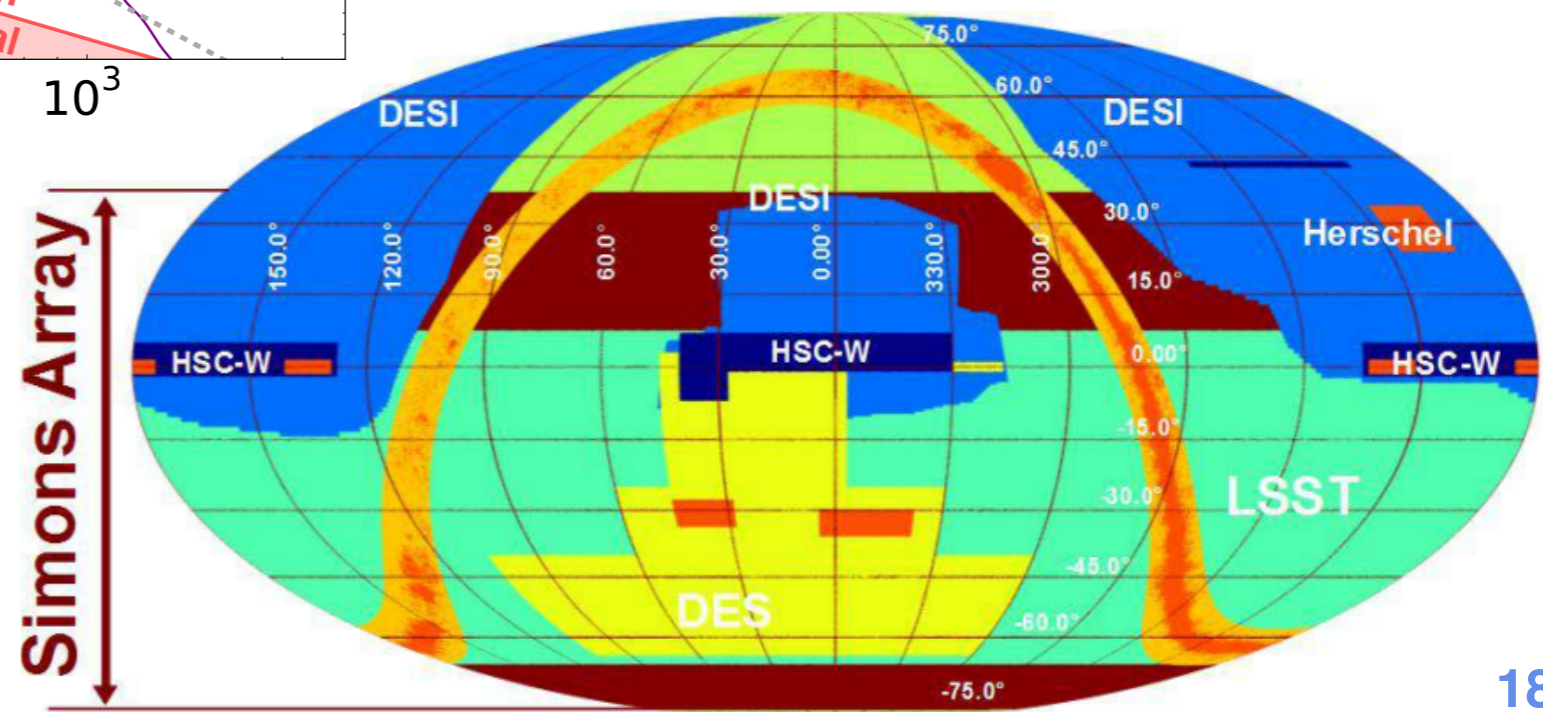
$$\sigma(r = 0.1) = 6 \cdot 10^{-3}$$

and on the **total neutrino mass** (when cross-correlated with galaxy surveys)

$$\sigma(\Sigma m_\nu) = 40 \text{ meV}$$

(Stebor et al, 2016)

⇒ Constrain inflation, neutrino mass hierarchy, primordial magnetic fields and more...



Conclusions

Polarbear probing B-modes from the Atacama desert

First and second season

Important contributions to CMB sub-degree polarization science, in particular for B-modes

Third to fifth seasons

Focus on degree scale with large patch and CRHWP

Polabear 2 and Simons Array

Increased sensitivity and frequency coverage coming very soon

Simons Observatory...wait a few minutes



Thanks

