

# PICO - Probe of Inflation and Cosmic Origins

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# NASA Prep for Decadal2020

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- **Set up 8 Probe Mission Studies; Probe = \$400M - \$1000M**
  - Transient Astrophysics Probe (Camp, GSFC)
  - Cosmic Dawn Intensity Mapper (Cooray, UC Irvine)
  - Cosmic Evolution through UV Spectroscopy (Danchi, GSFC)
  - Galaxy Evolution Probe (Glenn, UColorado)
- **Inflation Probe → Probe of Inflation and Cosmic Origins**  
(Hanany, University of Minnesota)
  - High Spatial Resolution X-Ray Probe (Mushotzky, UMaryland)
  - Multi-Messenger Astrophysics (Olinto, UChicago)
  - Precise Radial Velocity Observatory (Plavchan, Missouri State)



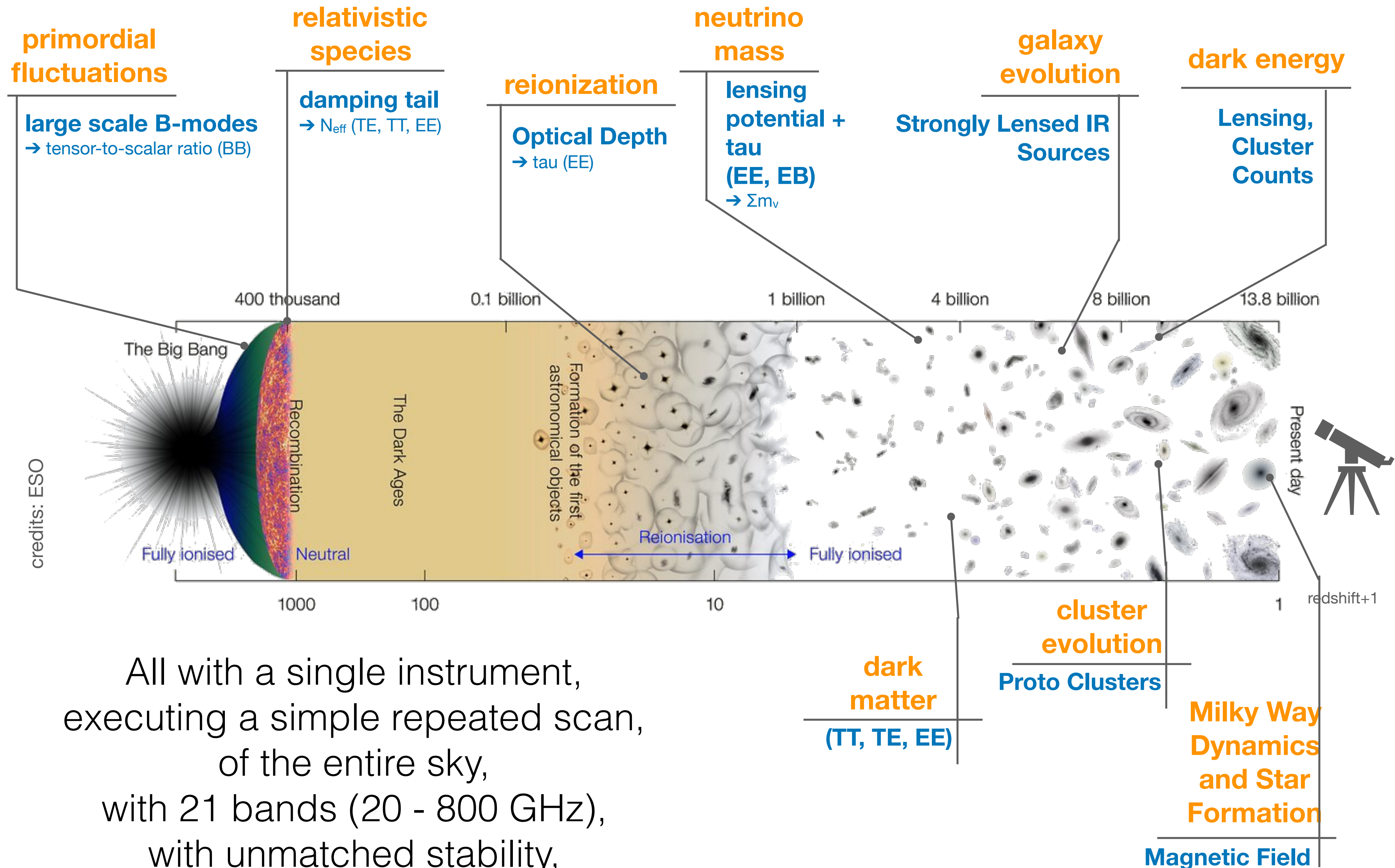
# Process + Outcomes

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- Studies are 18 months long
- Studies will produce 50 pg. reports
- Reports will include cost estimates
- NASA will conduct independent cost review
- Report + independent cost review will be submitted to the Decadal Panel
- Reports are due by 12/2018
- Mission start 2023
- Mission launch 64 months after start.



# PICO Science Goals and Probes

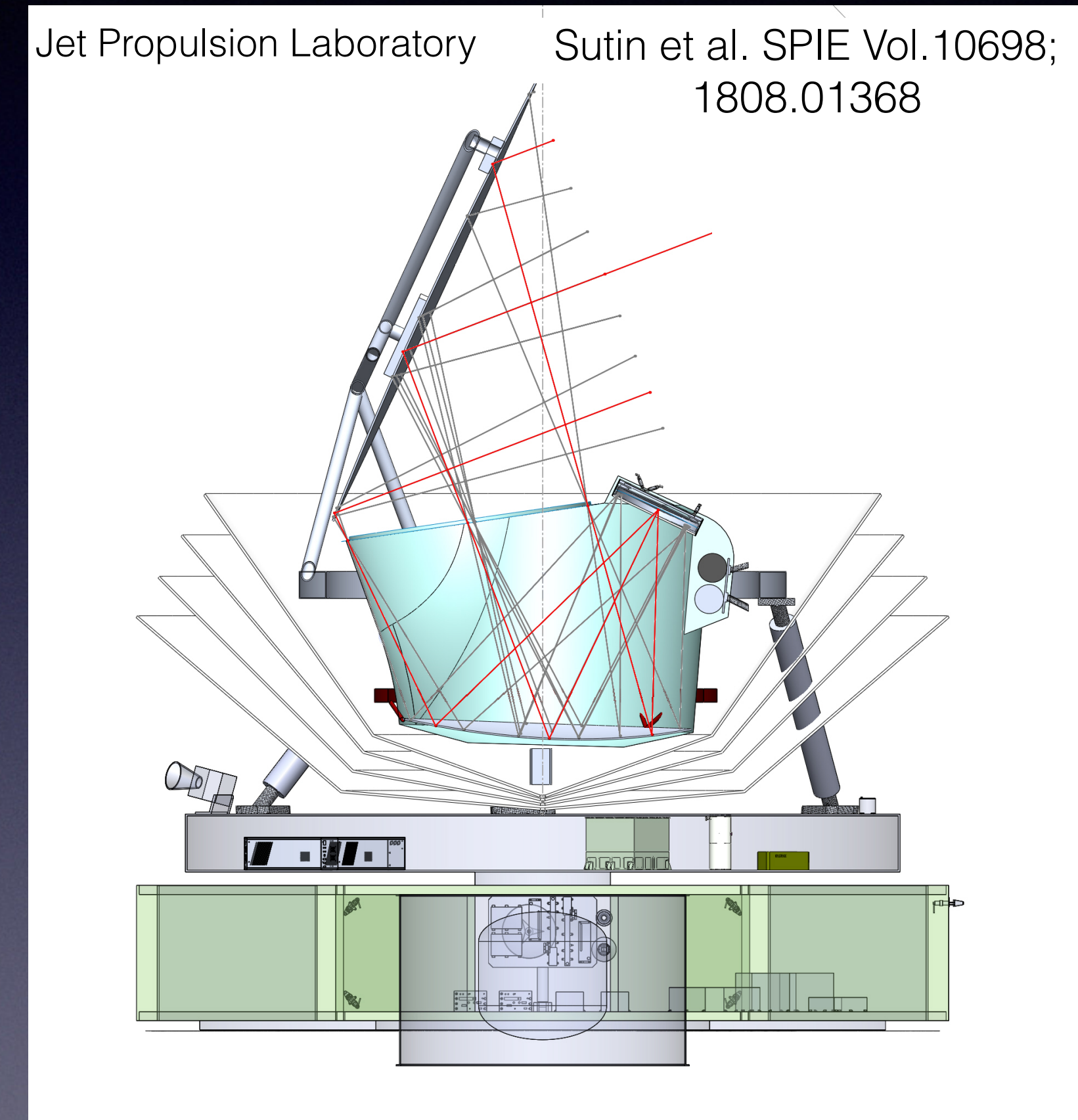


All with a single instrument,  
 executing a simple repeated scan,  
 of the entire sky,  
 with 21 bands (20 - 800 GHz),  
 with unmatched stability,  
 and with 0.6-0.9  $\mu\text{K} \cdot \text{arcmin}$



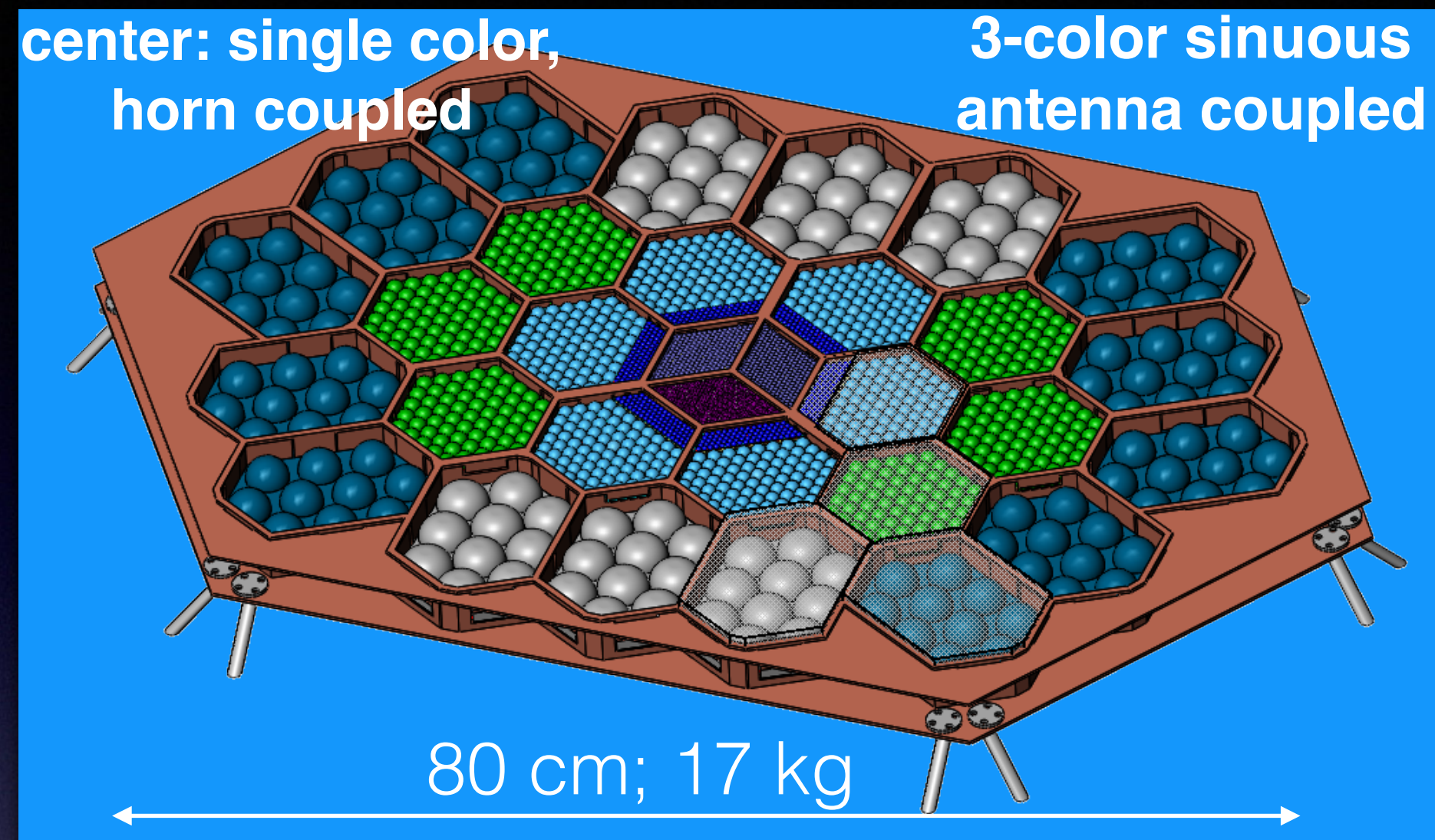
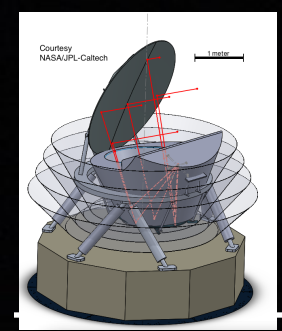
# PICO in Brief

- Millimeter/submillimeter-wave, polarimetric survey of the entire sky
- 21 bands between 20 GHz and 800 GHz
- 1.4 m aperture telescope
- Diffraction limited resolution: 38' to 1'
- 13,000 transition edge sensor bolometers
- 5 year survey from L2
- 0.87  $\mu\text{K} \cdot \text{arcmin}$  requirement; 0.61  $\mu\text{K} \cdot \text{arcmin}$  goal (=CBE)





# PICO Implementation



- 2-reflector "Open Dragone" Telescope
- Ambient temperature primary
- 4 K aperture stop
- 4 K secondary reflector
- 0.1 K focal plane
- Spinning instrument, static bus
- Spin: 1 rpm; Precess: 10 hours
- 50% sky coverage in 10 hours

Young et al. SPIE Vol.10698; 1808.01369

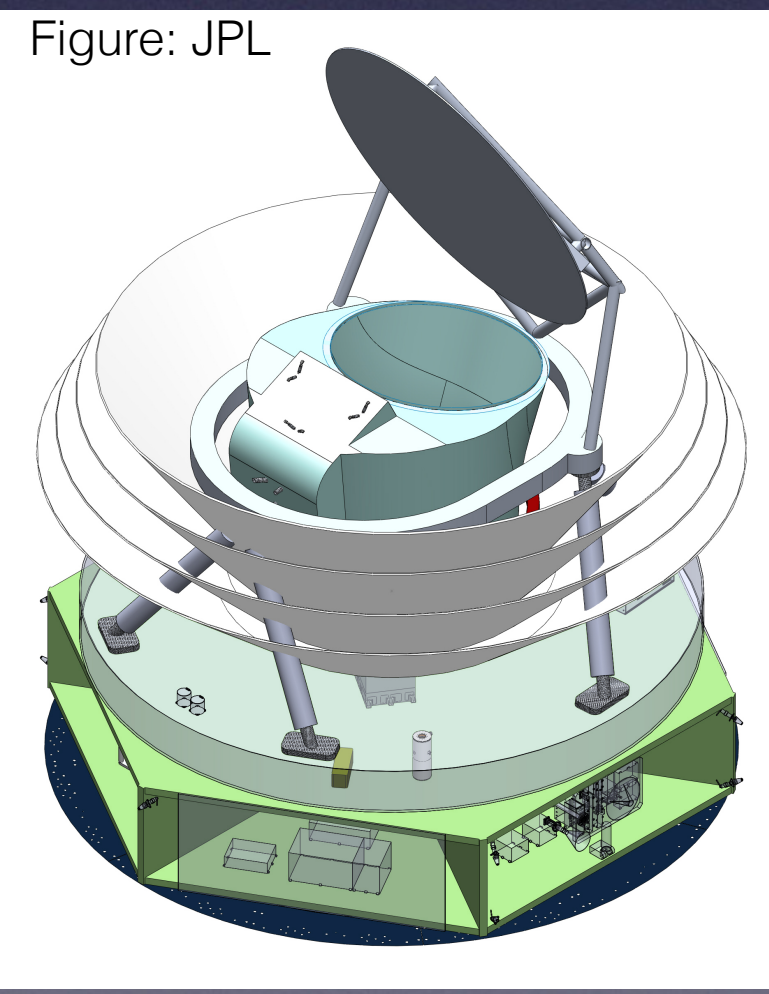
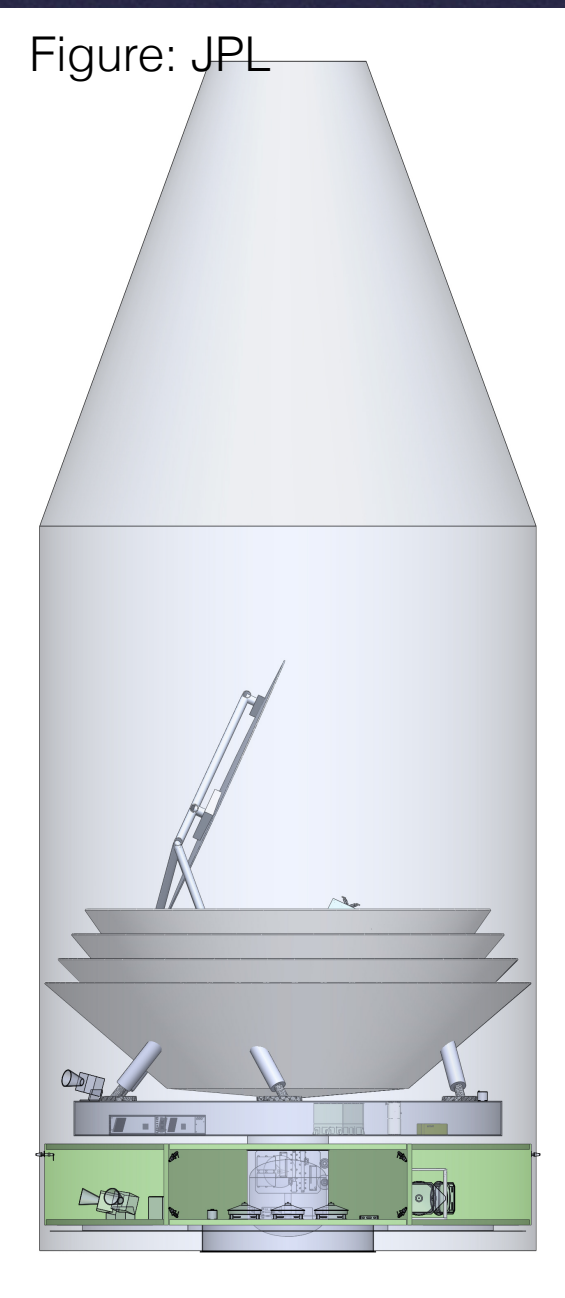
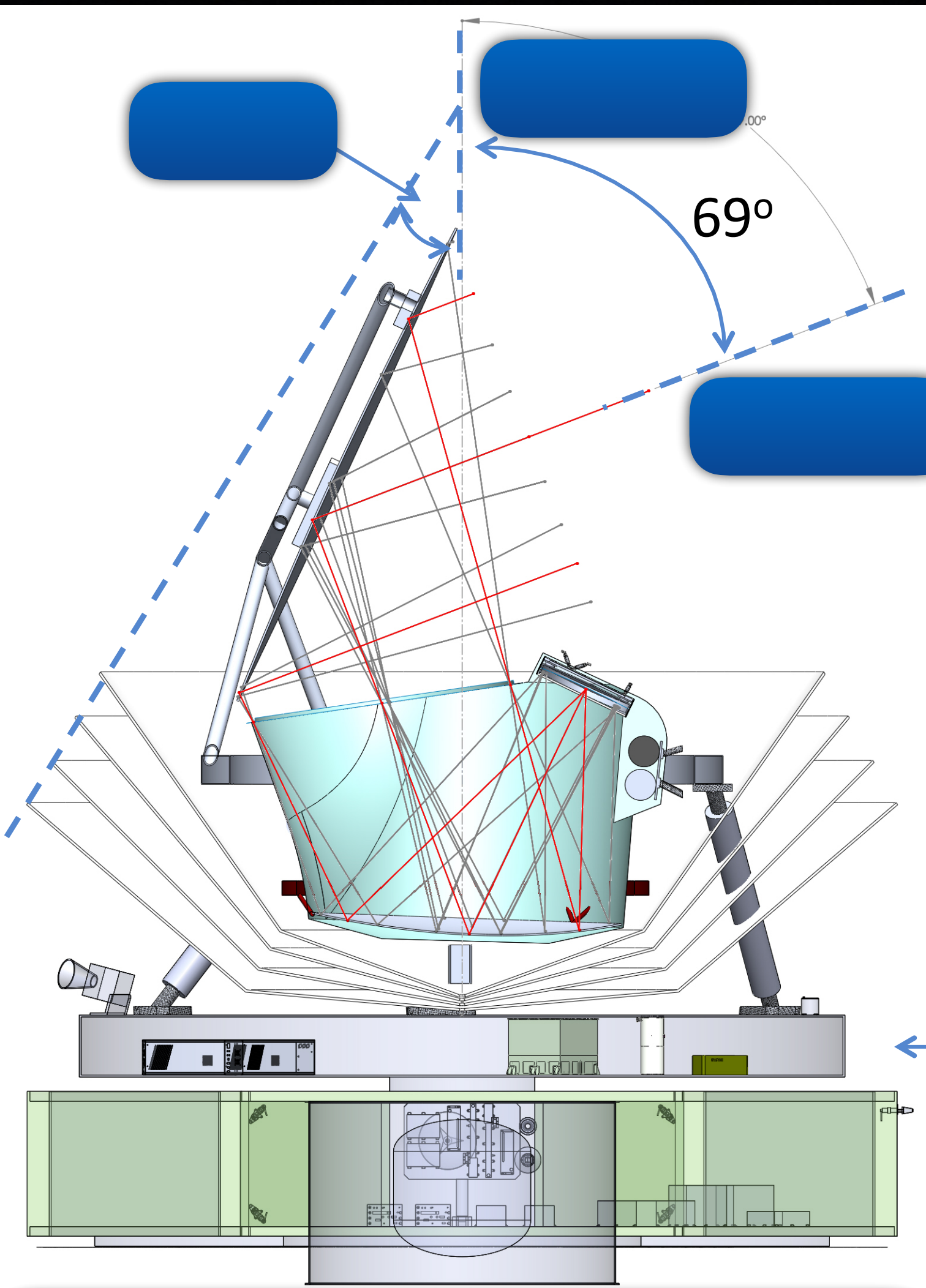
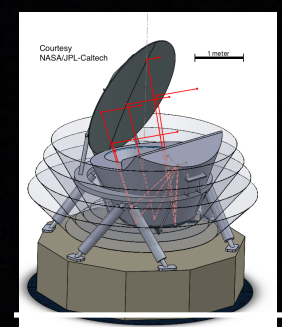


Figure: JPL



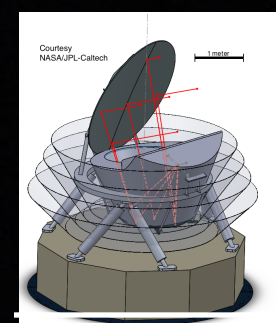


# PICO Responds to all NASA Science Goals

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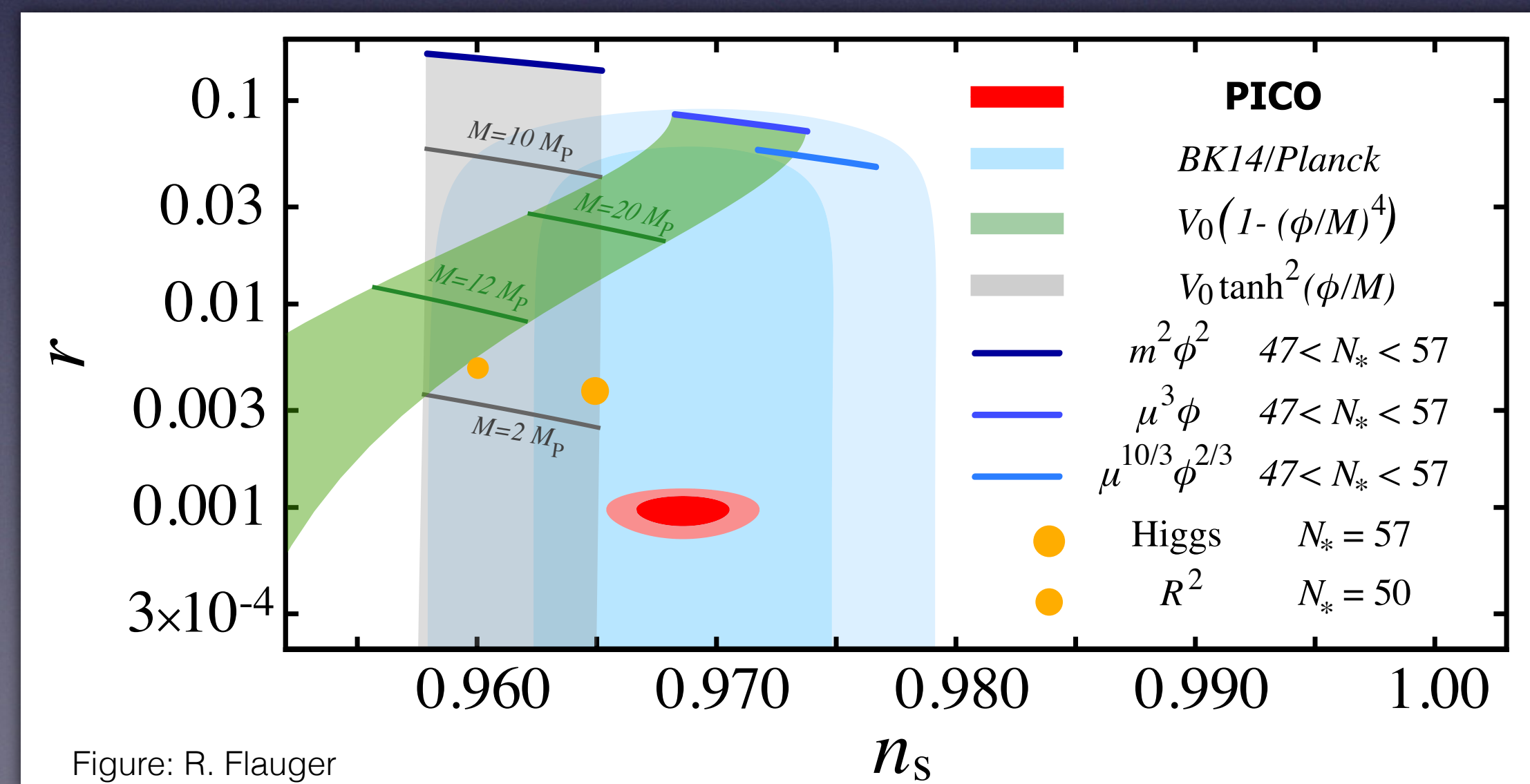
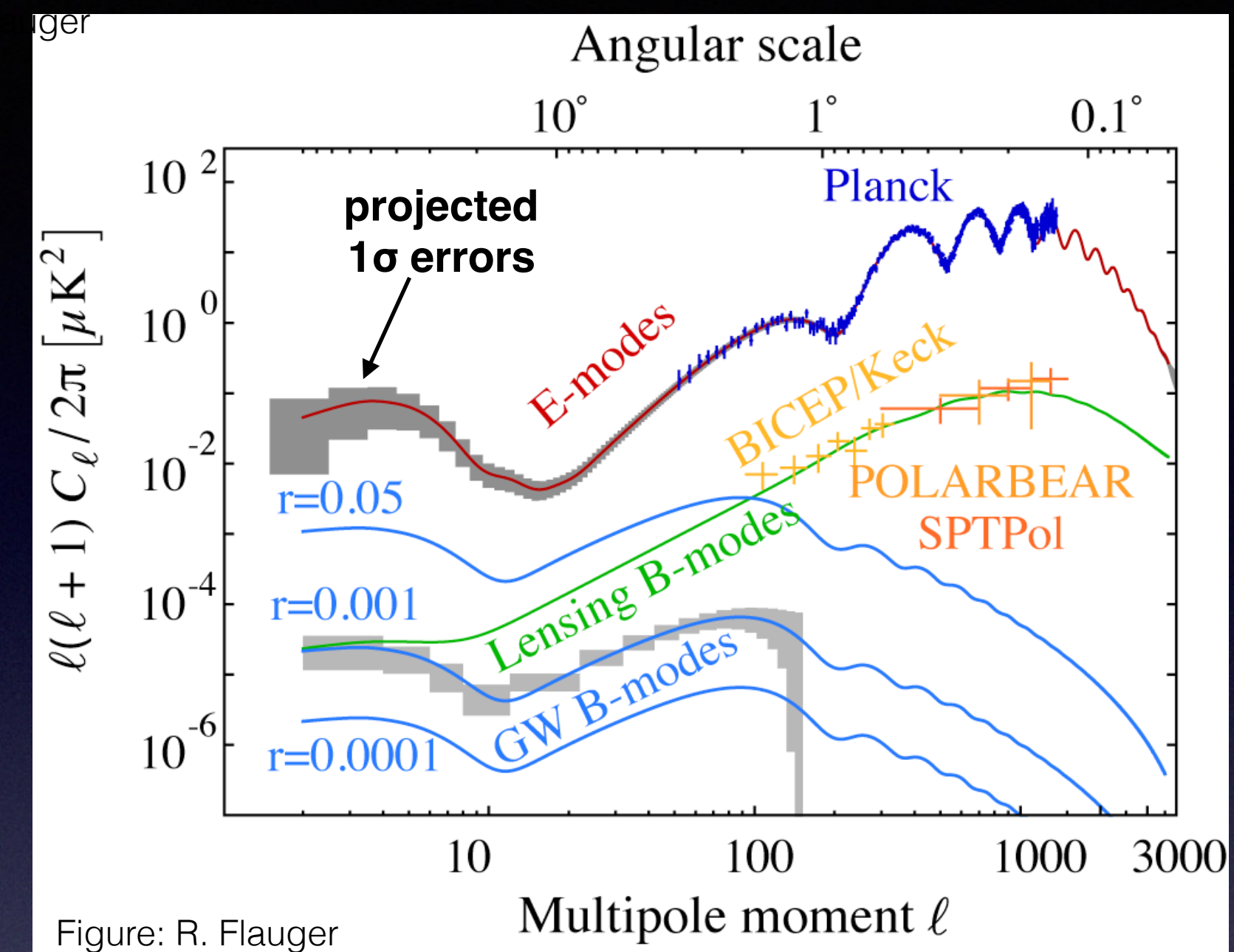
- Explore how the Universe began
- Discover how the Universe works
- Explore how the Universe evolved



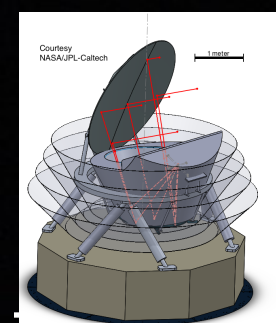


# Explore How the Universe Began - Inflation

- Detect / set upper bound on the energy scale of inflation; constrain inflation models
- Requirement:  $\sigma(r, r = 0) \leq 1 \cdot 10^{-4}$   
 $\sigma(n_s) = 1 \cdot 10^{-3}$
- CMB4Cast (Fisher), (Feeney + Errard JCAP 2016)
  - Internal delensing (80%)
  - Maximum likelihood parametric fitting of Planck 2015-constrained foreground sky
  - Dust+Synch spectral indices varying (15 deg patches)
  - 60% of sky
- Does not include systematic uncertainties
- Is not map-based foreground separation



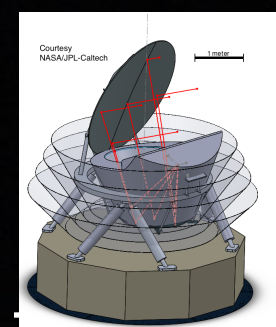




# Map Based

- Working also with map-based cleaning
- 7 different full sky models, all consistent with Planck but somewhat different foreground realizations; 100 noise realizations, 50 w/r=0, 50 w/r=0.003; each in various degrees of (fake) delensing levels (1, 0.3, 0.15, 0.003); also PSM
- Several component separation approaches
  - Commander1 (PSM; Remazeilles)
  - NILC (Basak)
  - SEVEM (Barreiro)
  - + GNILC (Remazeilles), Commander2 (Wehus+), xForecast + multi-patch (Errard)

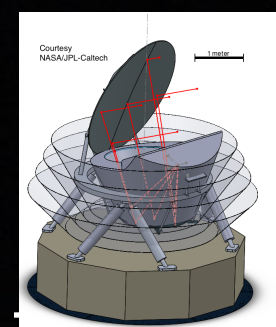




# Map Based Models

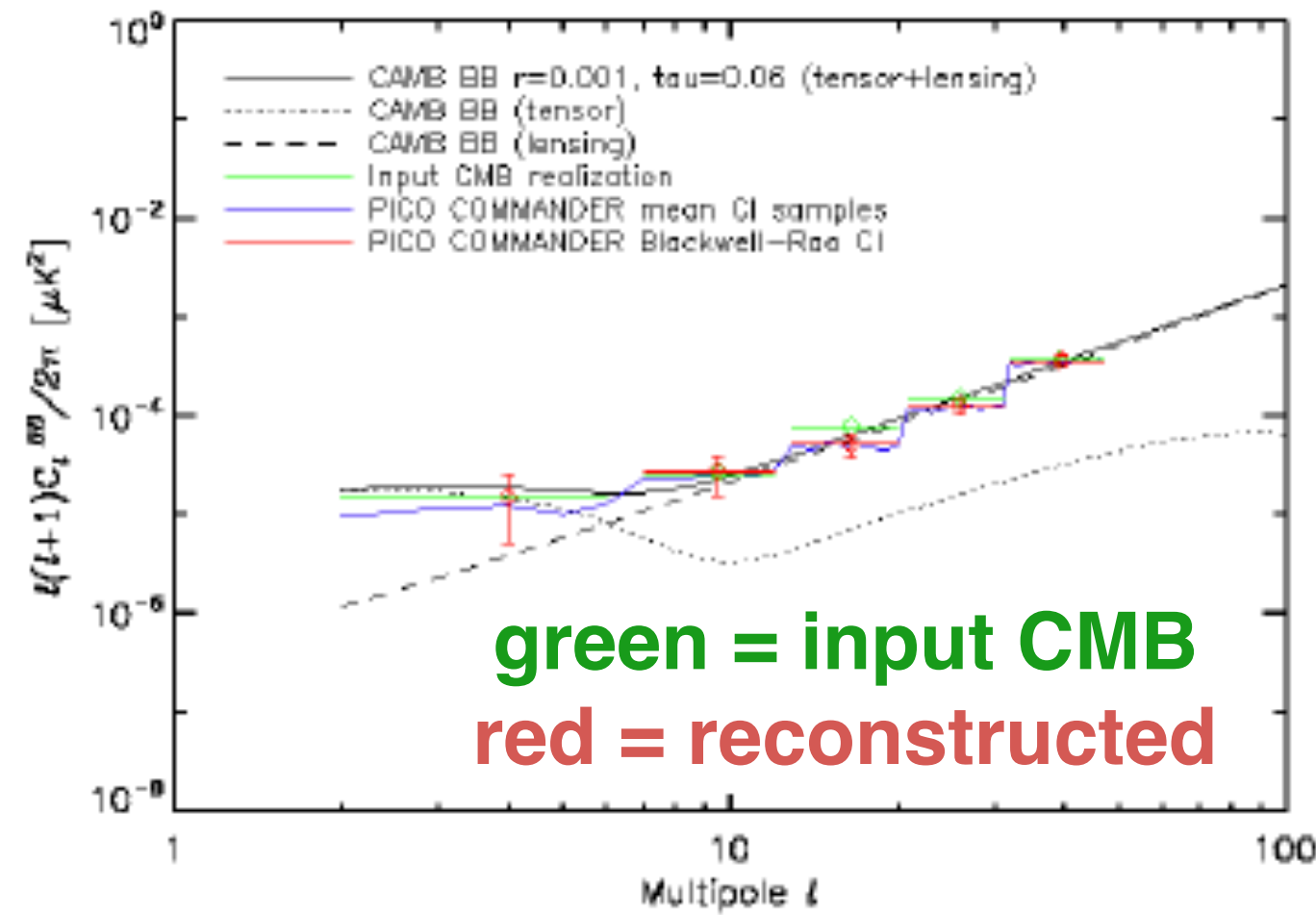
- Models:
  - 90 - Gaussian dust and synchrotron, uniform amplitude
  - 91 - PySM a1d1f1s1 ; 1608.02841
  - 92 - PySM a2d4f1s3
  - 93 - PySM a2d7f1s3
  - 96 - Brandon's MHD
  - 98 - Delabrouille ++, Multi-layer dust; 1706.04162
  - 99 - Vansyngel; 1611.02577



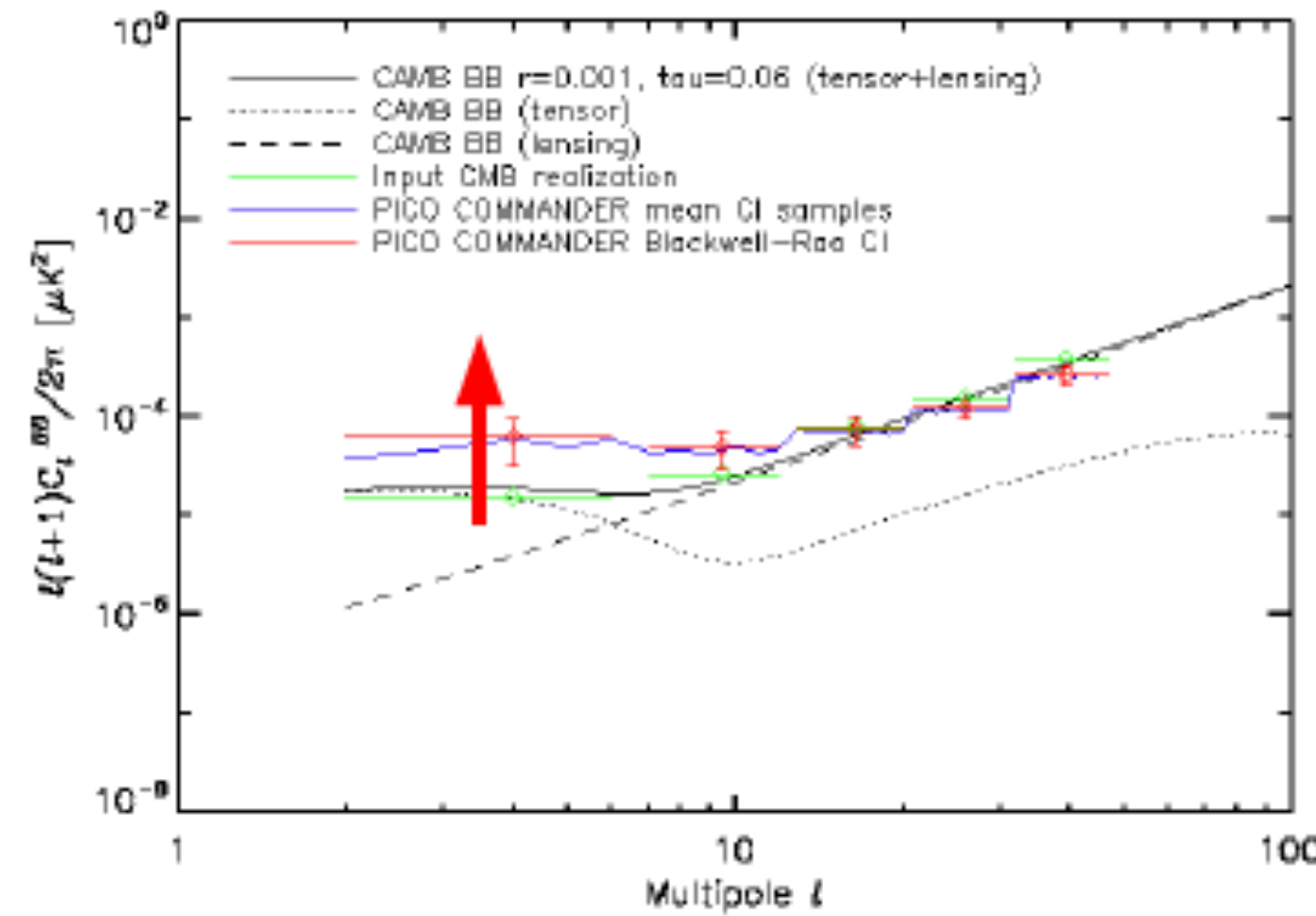


# The Role of High Frequency Bands

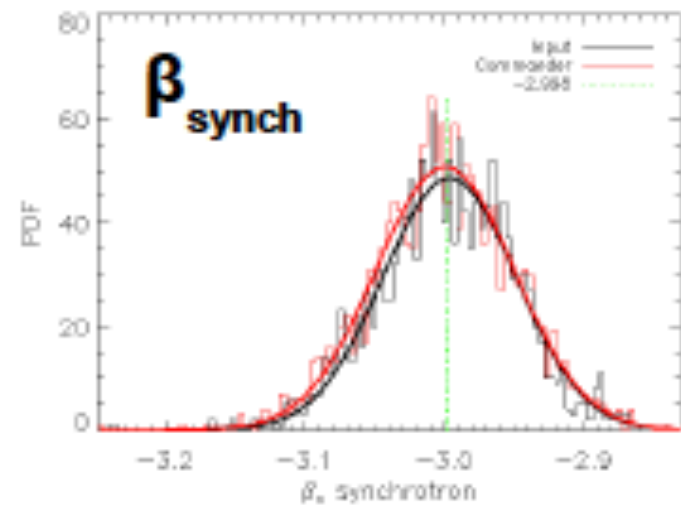
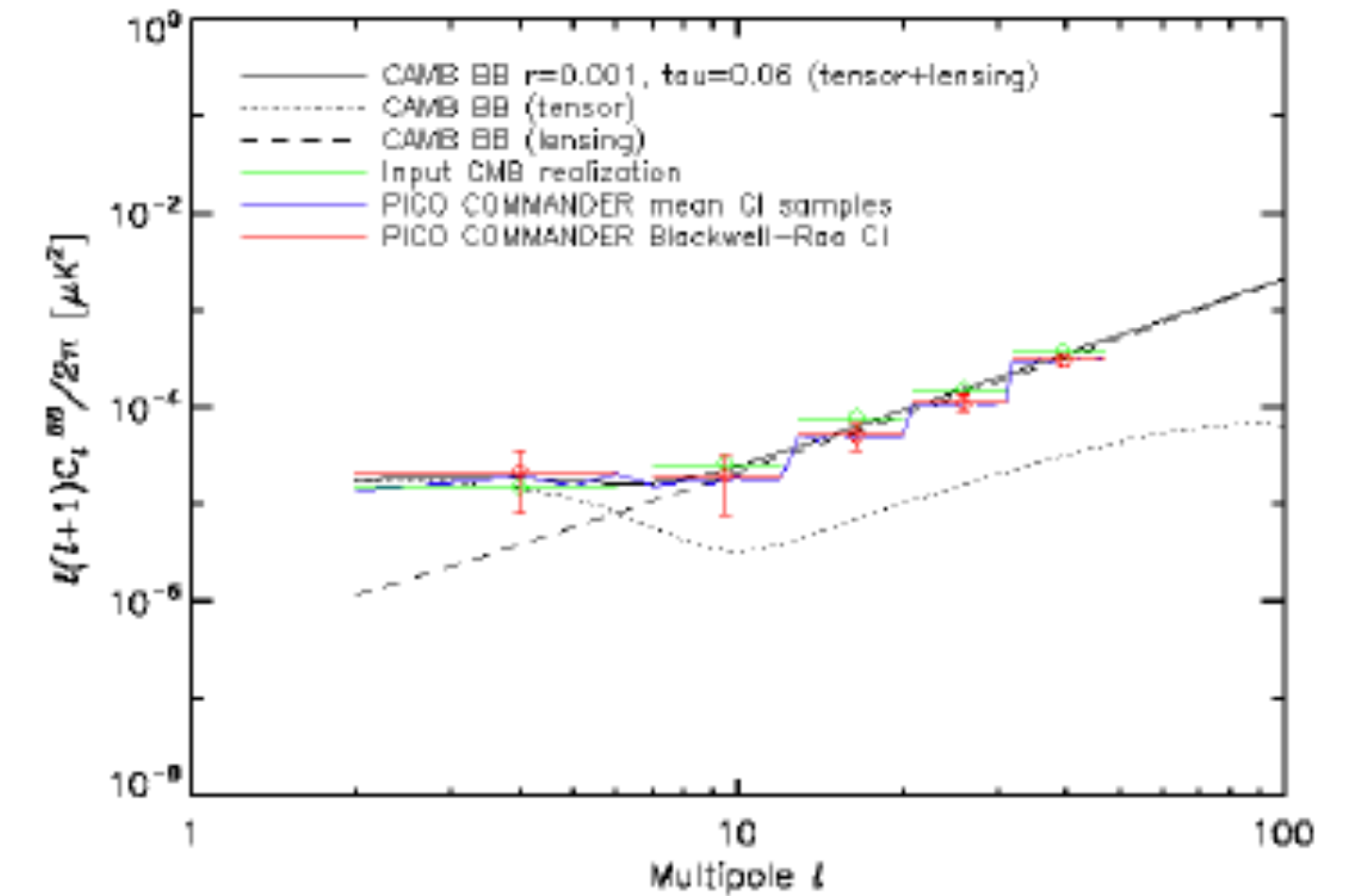
### PICO 21 – 800 GHz



### -4 low; -3 high (555, 665, 800) PICO 43 – 462 GHz

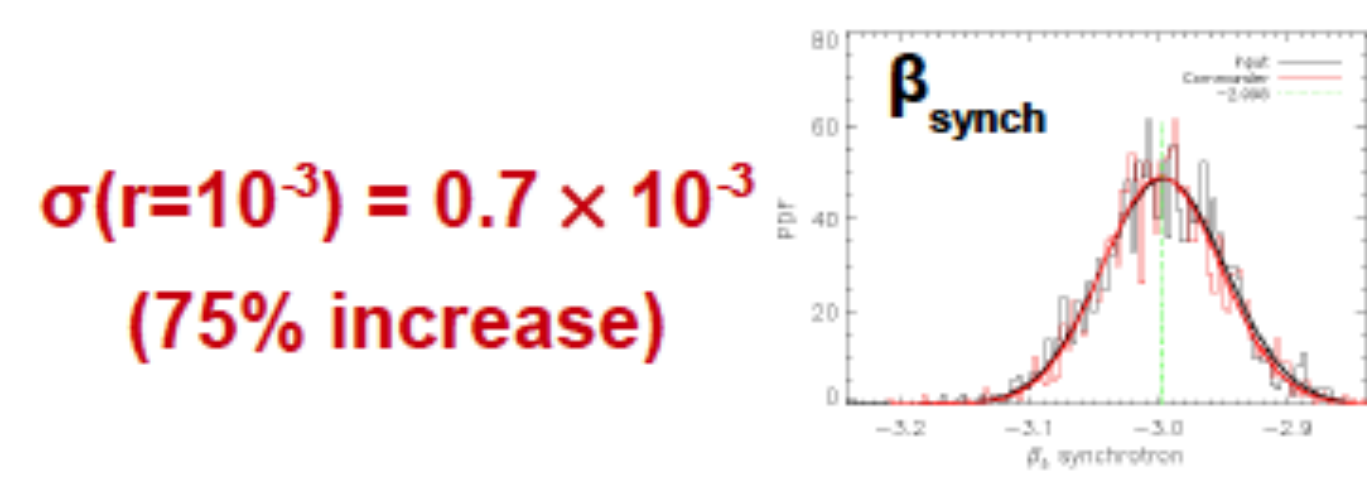


### -4 low (21, 25, 30, 36) PICO 43 – 800 GHz

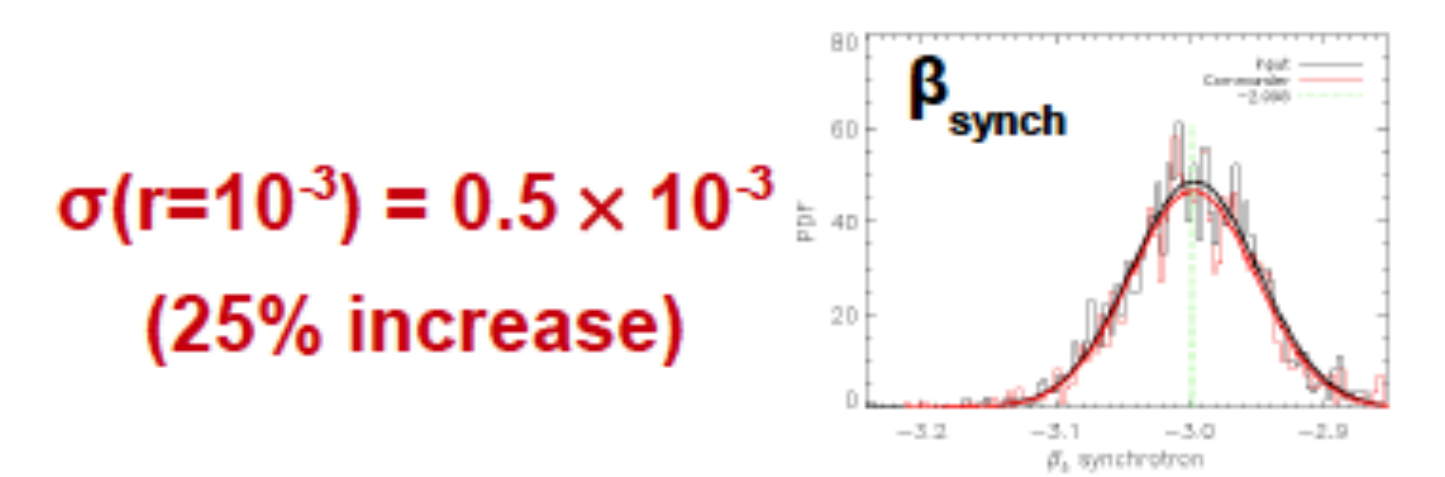


$\sigma(r=10^{-3}) = 0.4 \times 10^{-3}$

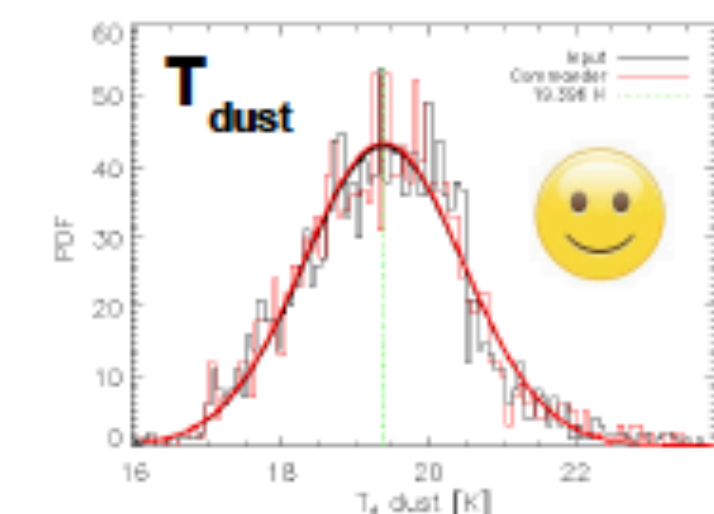
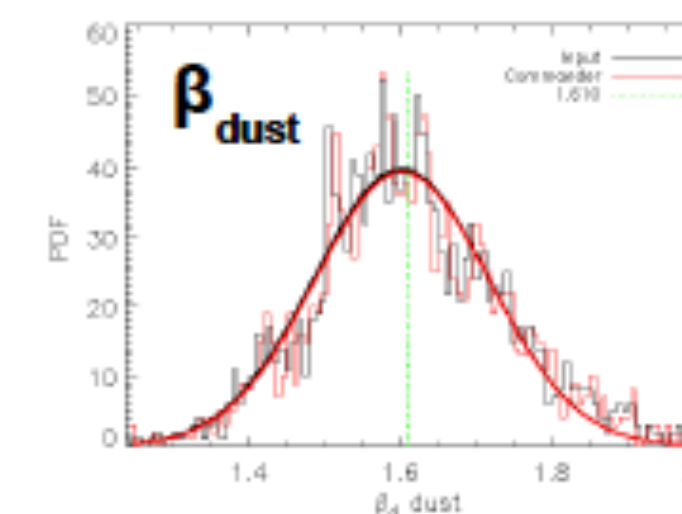
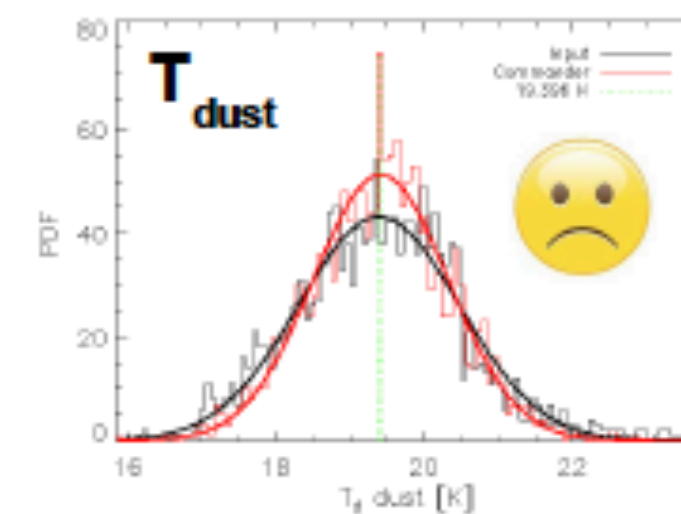
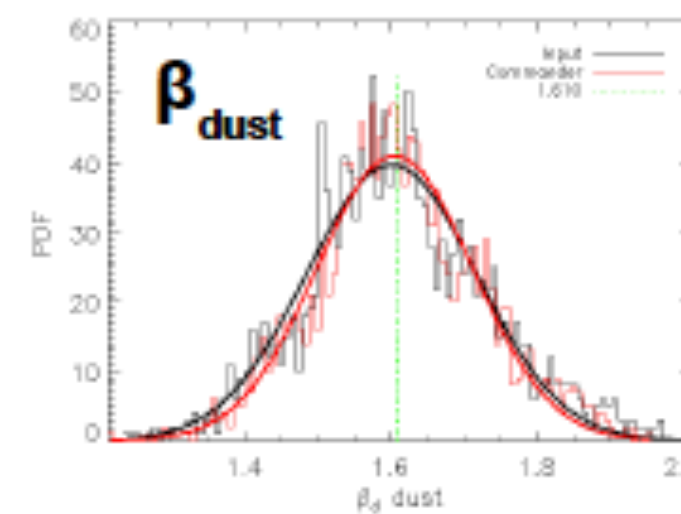
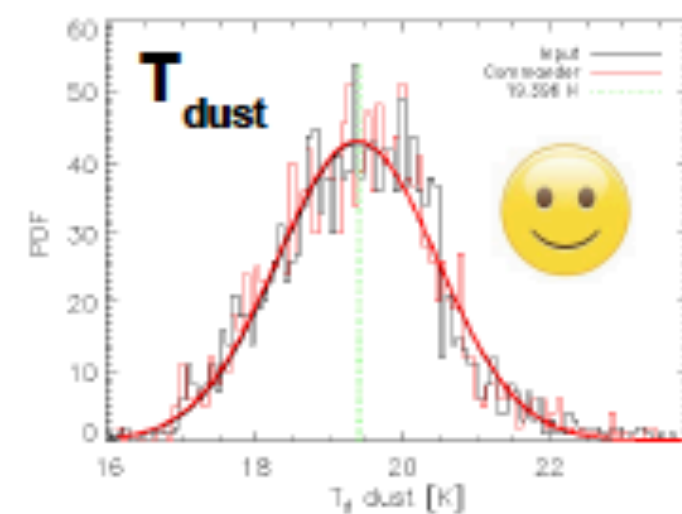
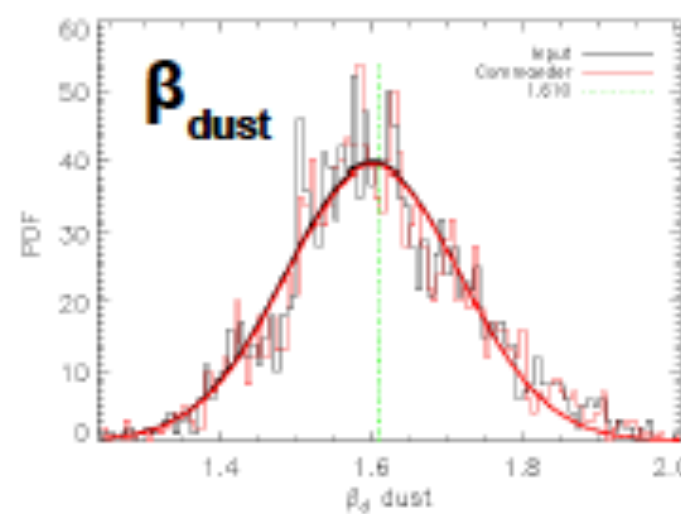
**black = input**  
**red = Commander**



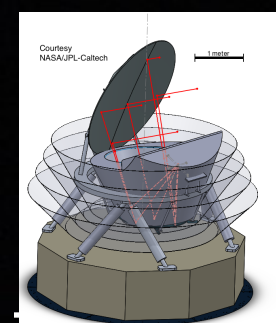
$\sigma(r=10^{-3}) = 0.7 \times 10^{-3}$   
(75% increase)



$\sigma(r=10^{-3}) = 0.5 \times 10^{-3}$   
(25% increase)

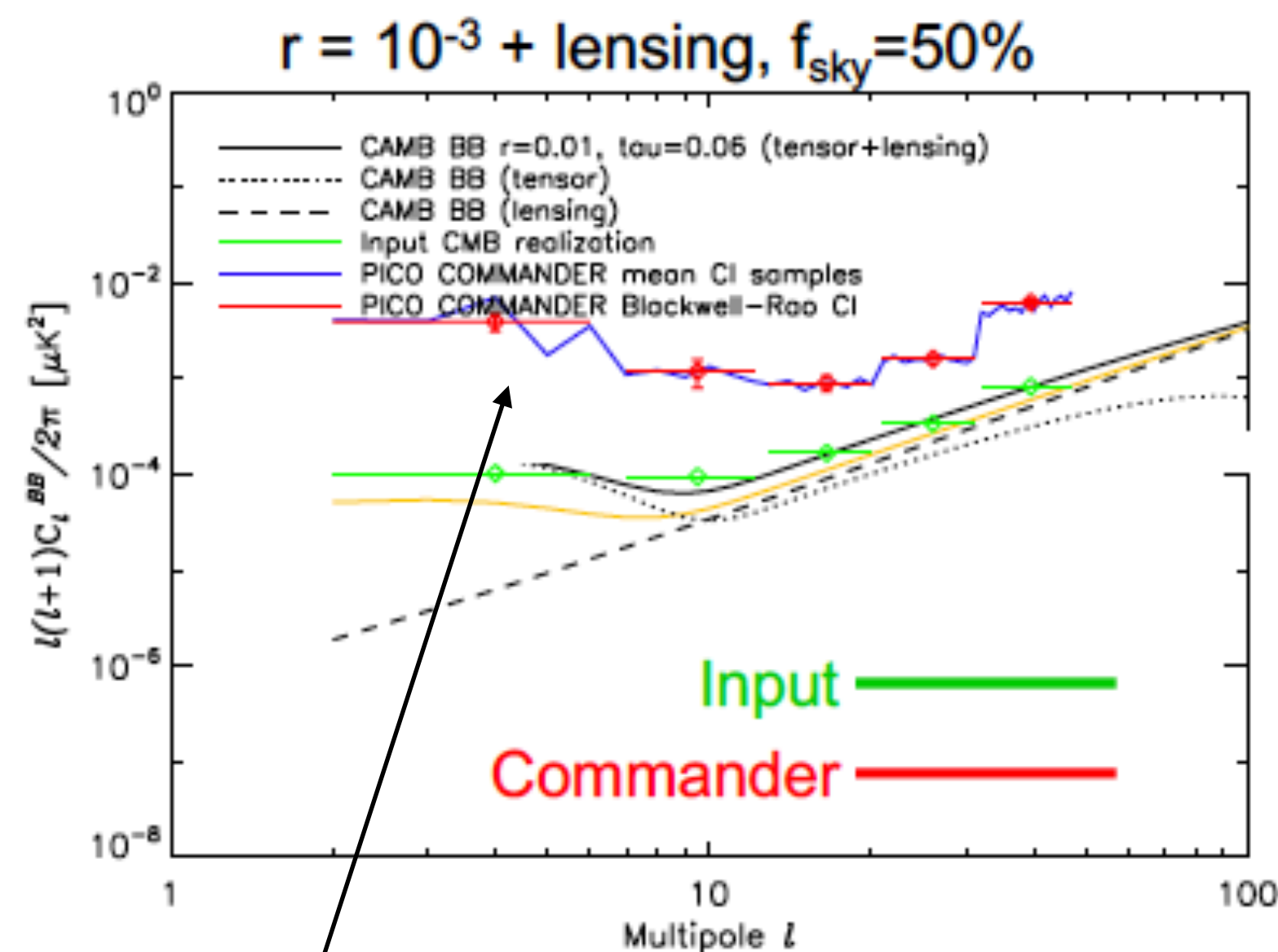




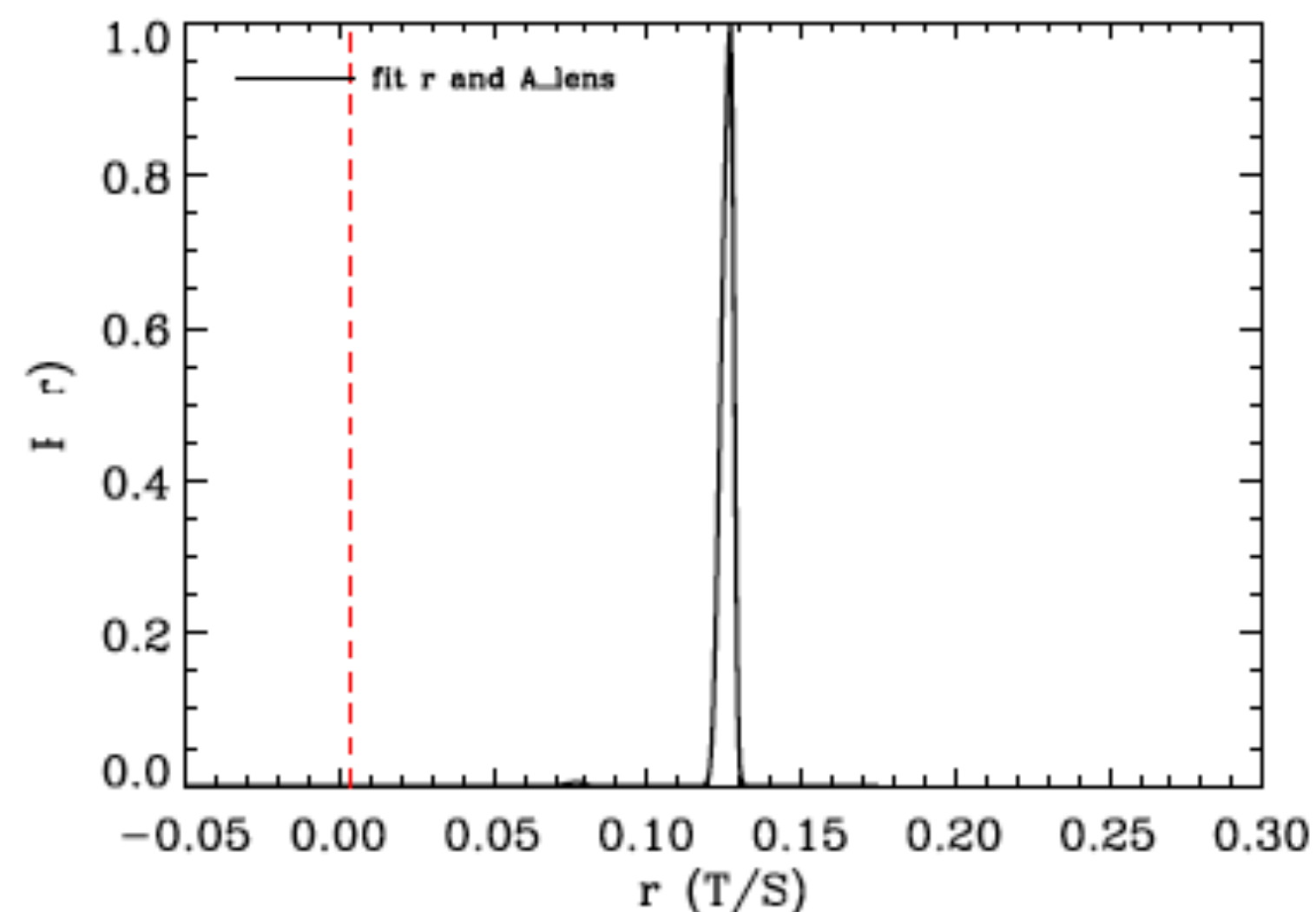


# The Effects of Averaging

## Commander reconstruction of CMB B-modes PySM 90.91 (a1d1f1s1)



Strong bias



$2 \leq l \leq 50$

**PySM 90.91 simulation (Clem Pryke)**

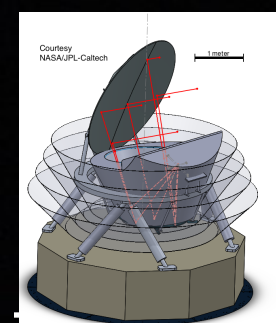
**Bias due to averaging issues, as expected: by degrading the native  $N_{\text{side}}=512$  sky maps to  $N_{\text{side}}=16$ , the foreground SEDs are mixed up (no longer MBB and power laws) → mismatch between the fitted foreground model and the effective  $N_{\text{side}}=16$  model**

M. Remazeilles

Native resolution  
 $n_{\text{side}}=512$

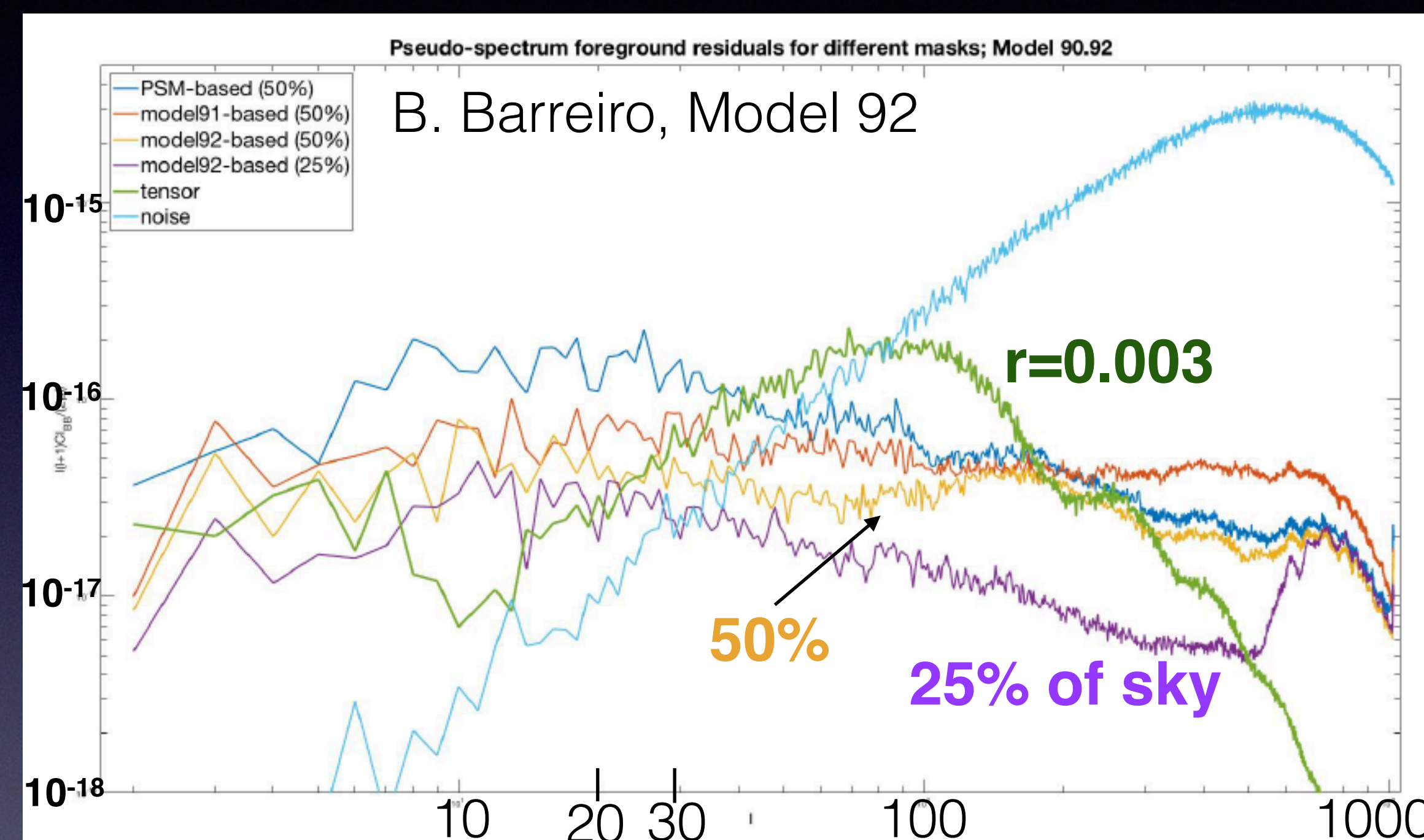
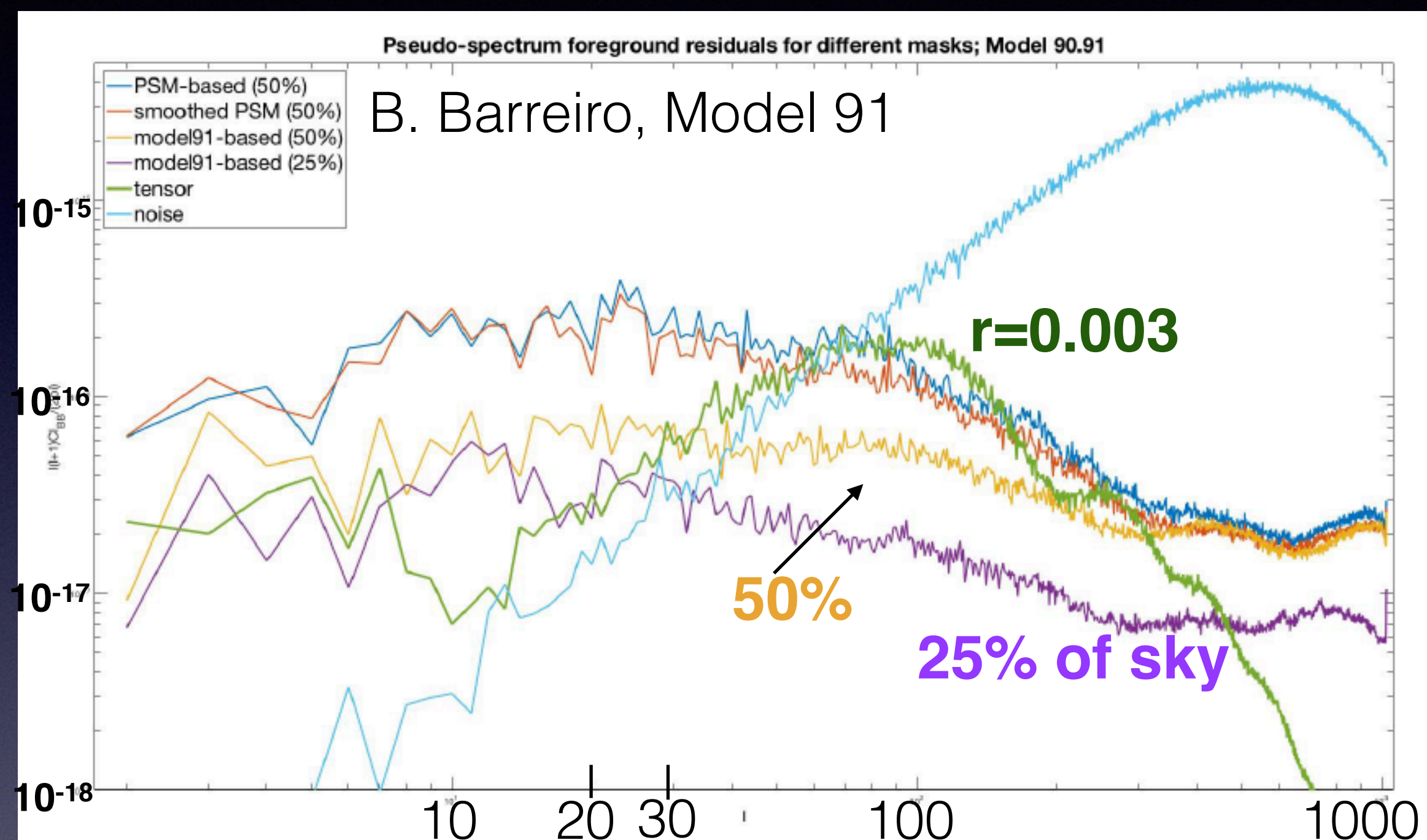
Commander analysis  
 $n_{\text{side}}=16$





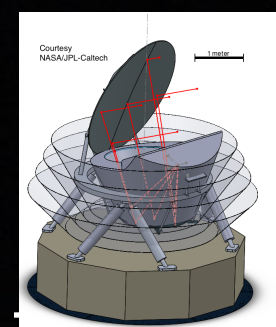
# The Challenge of low $l$ Foregrounds - SEVEM

## Preliminary Results

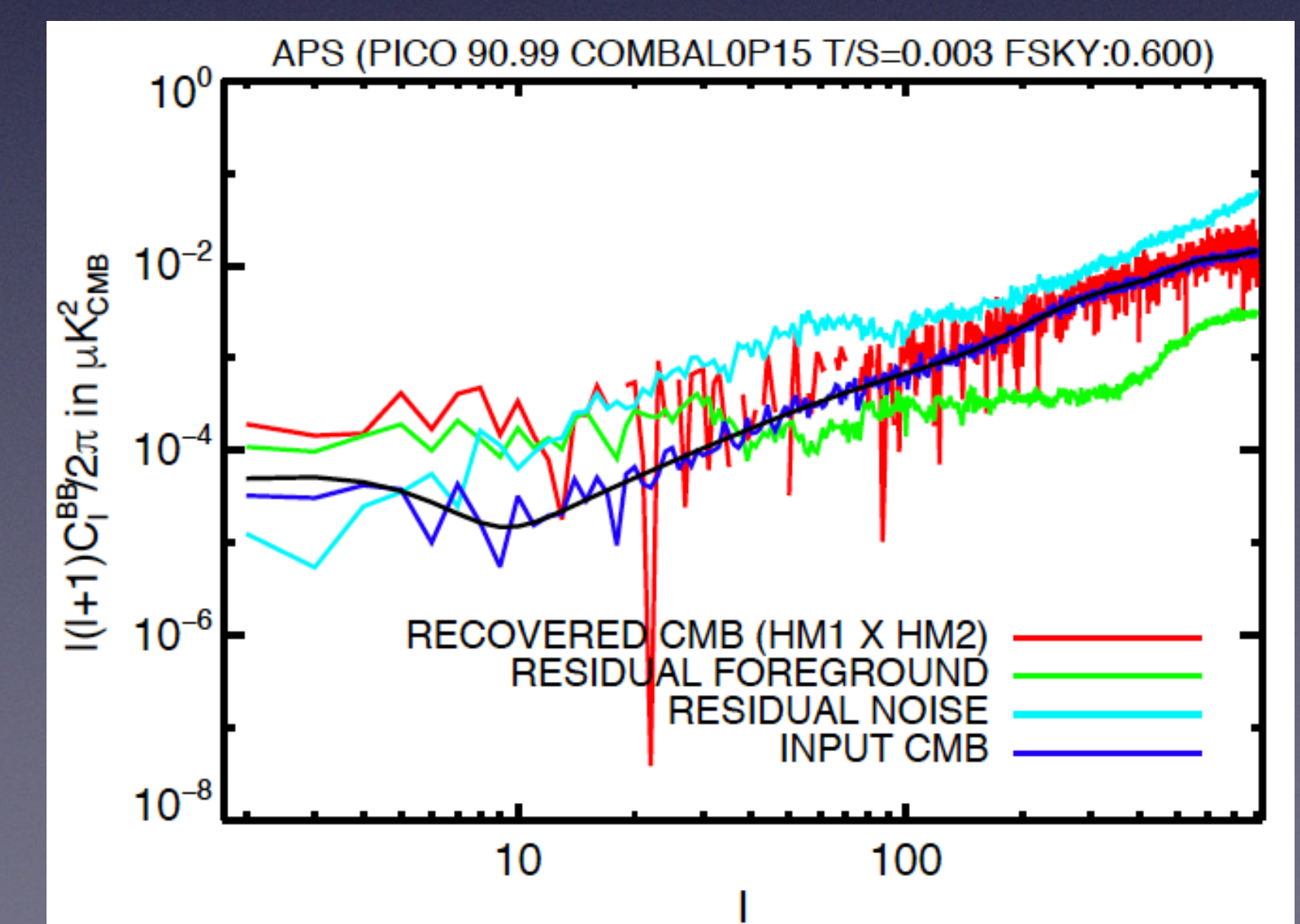
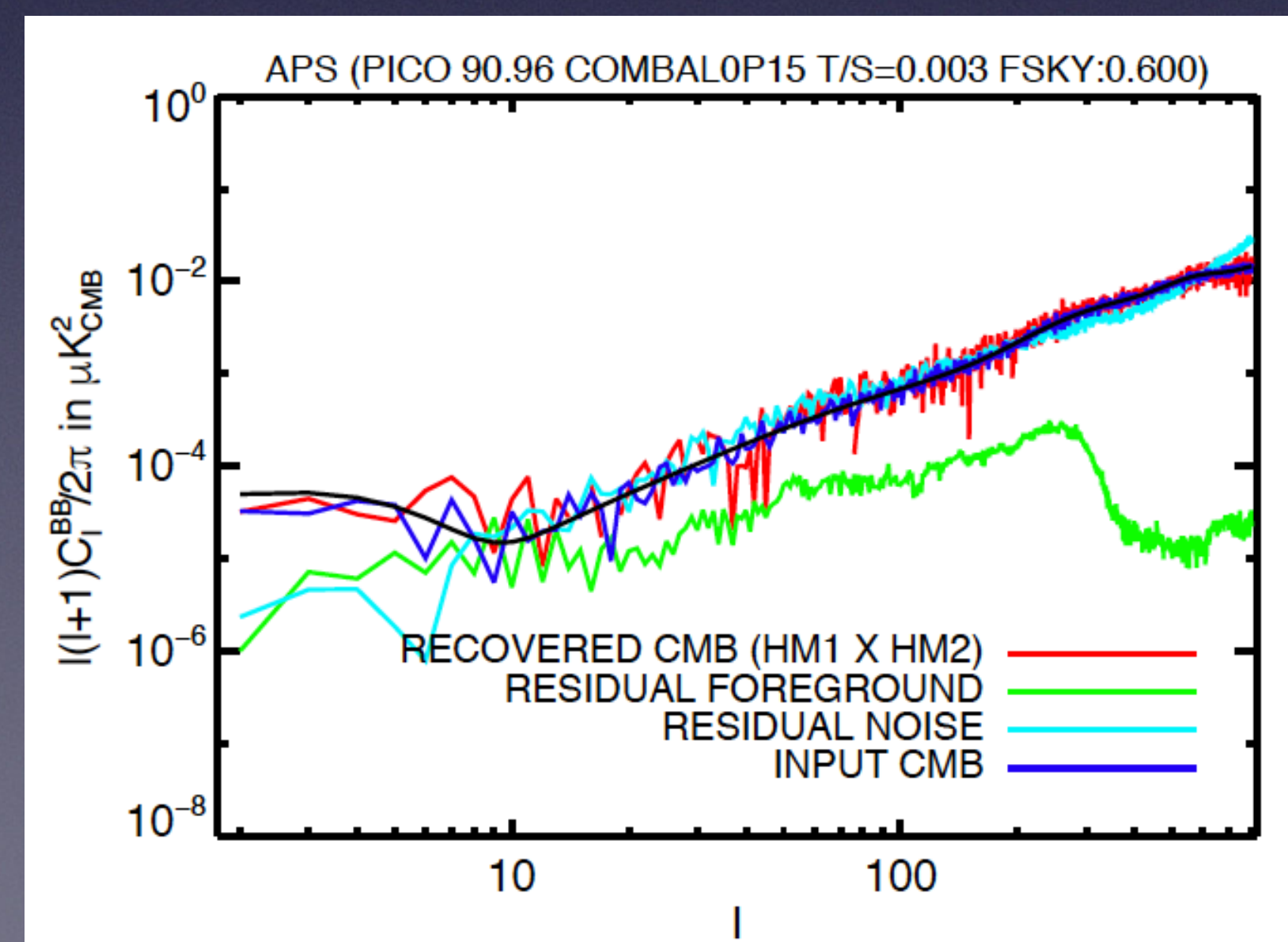
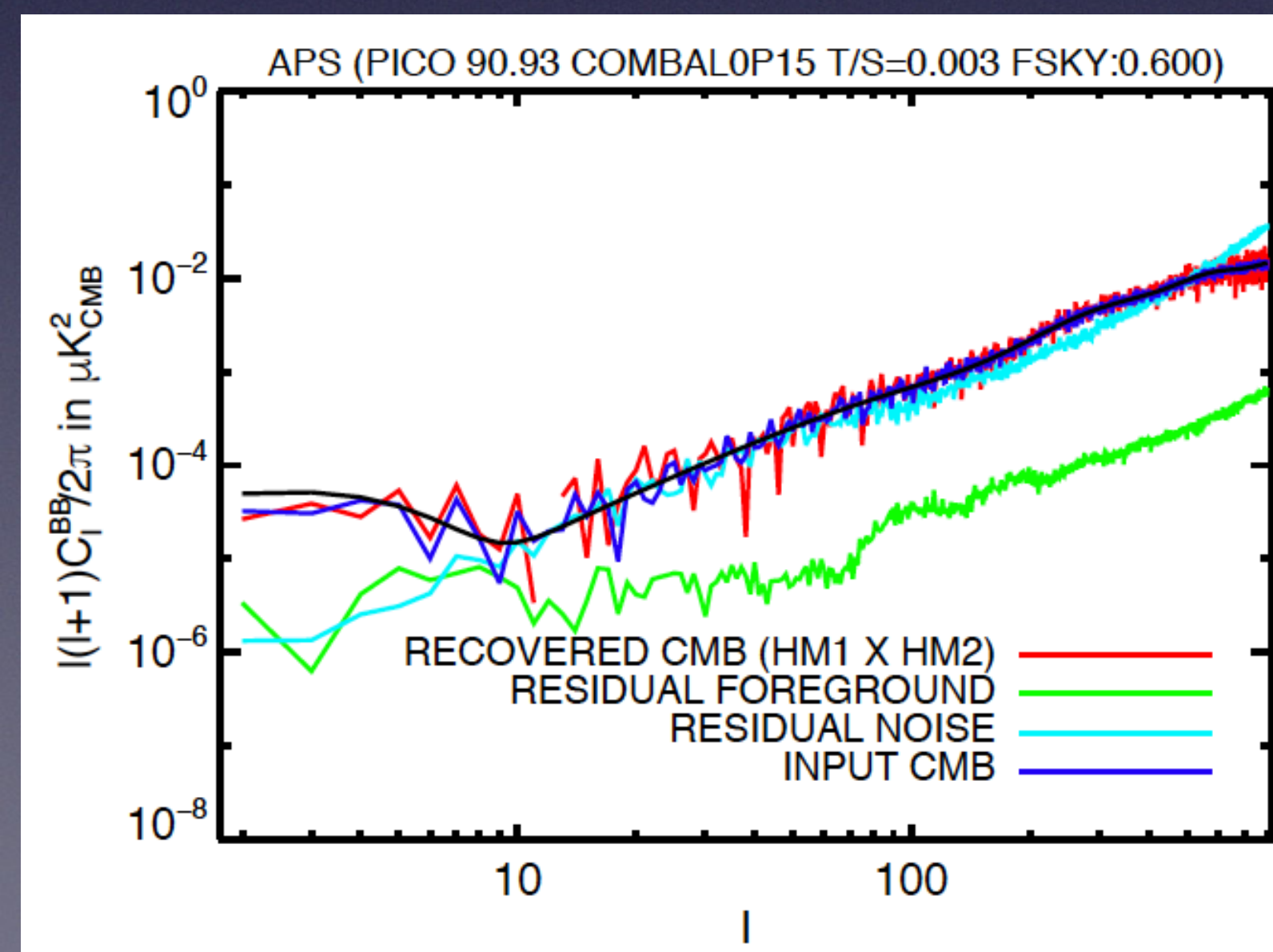
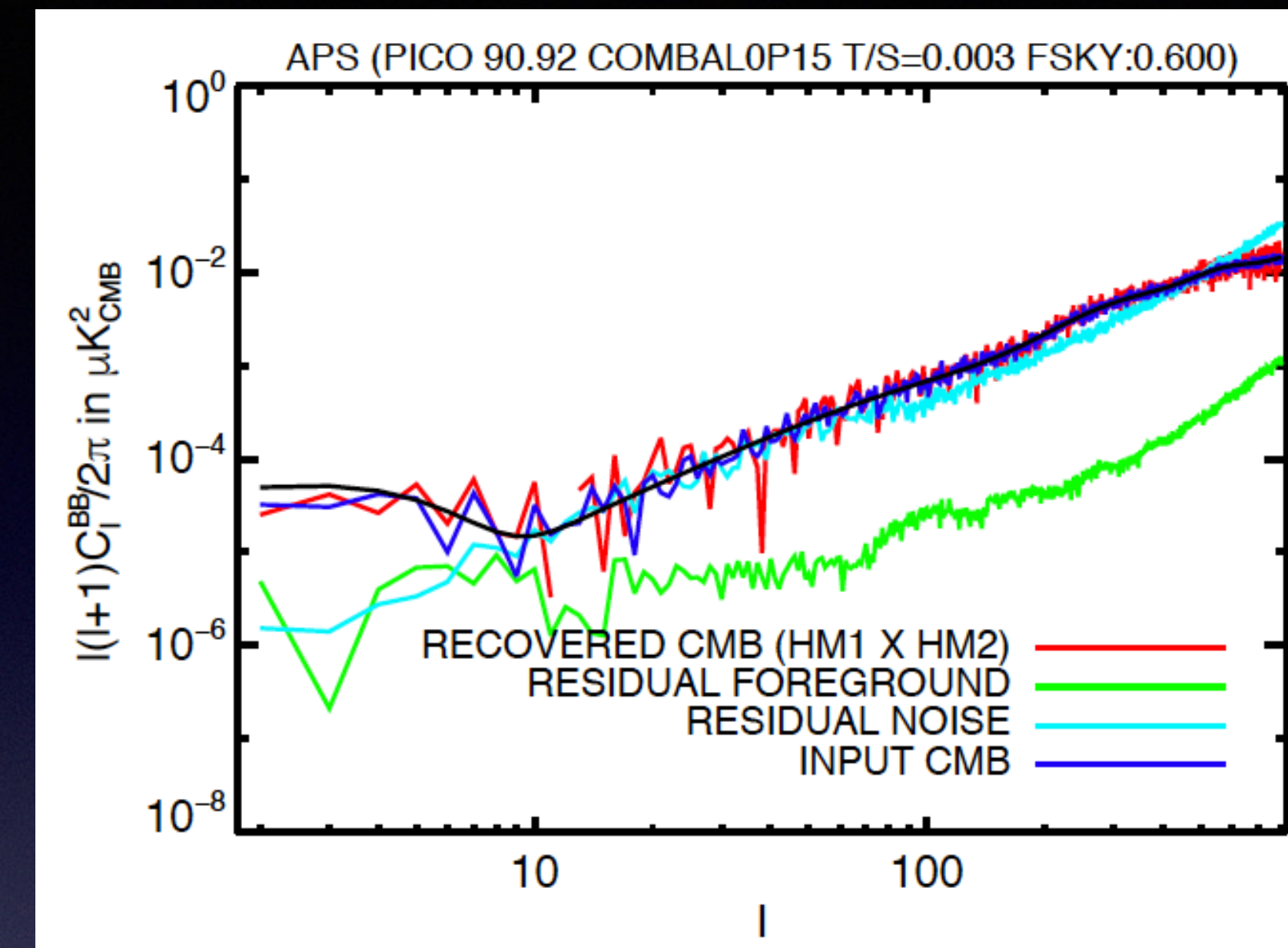
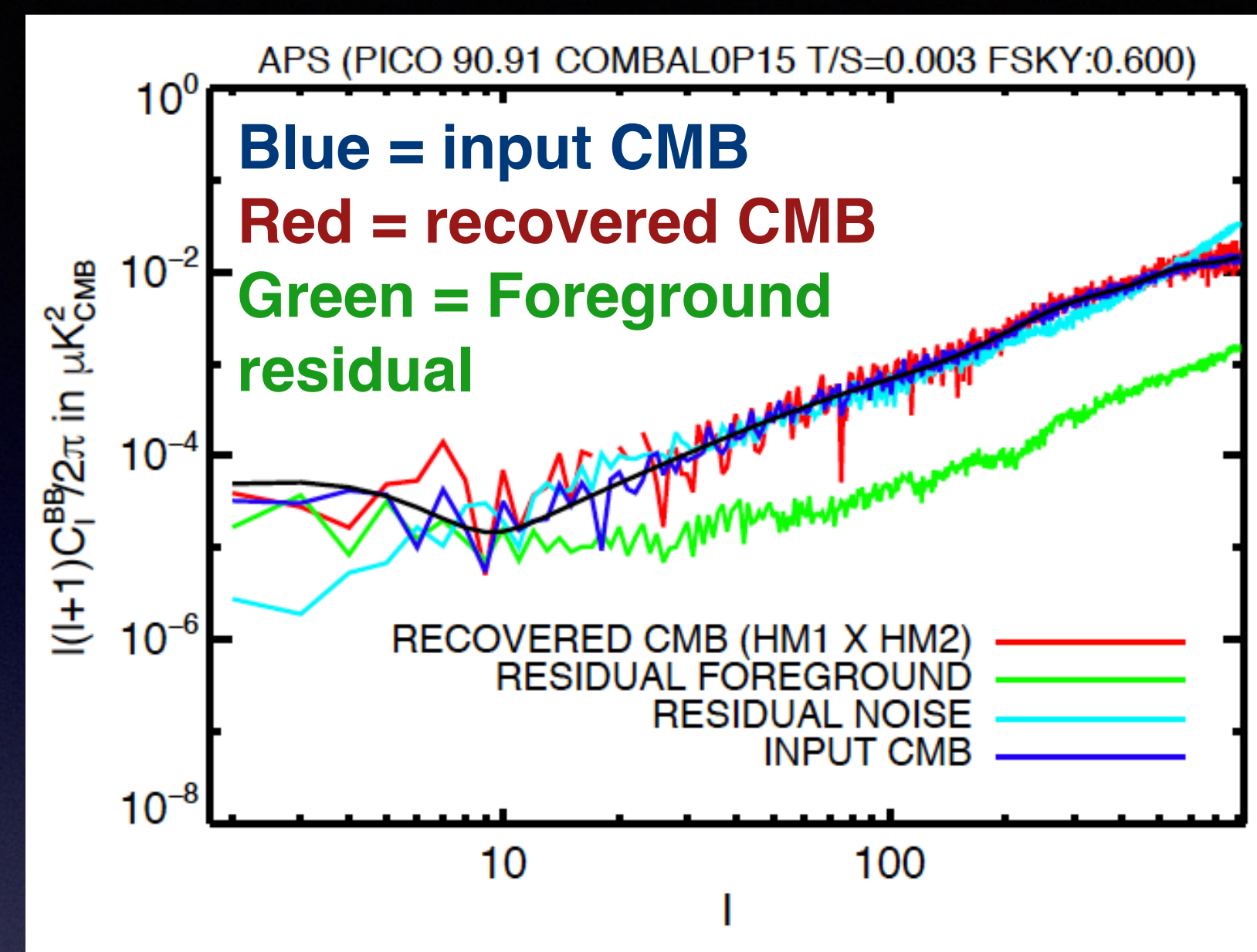
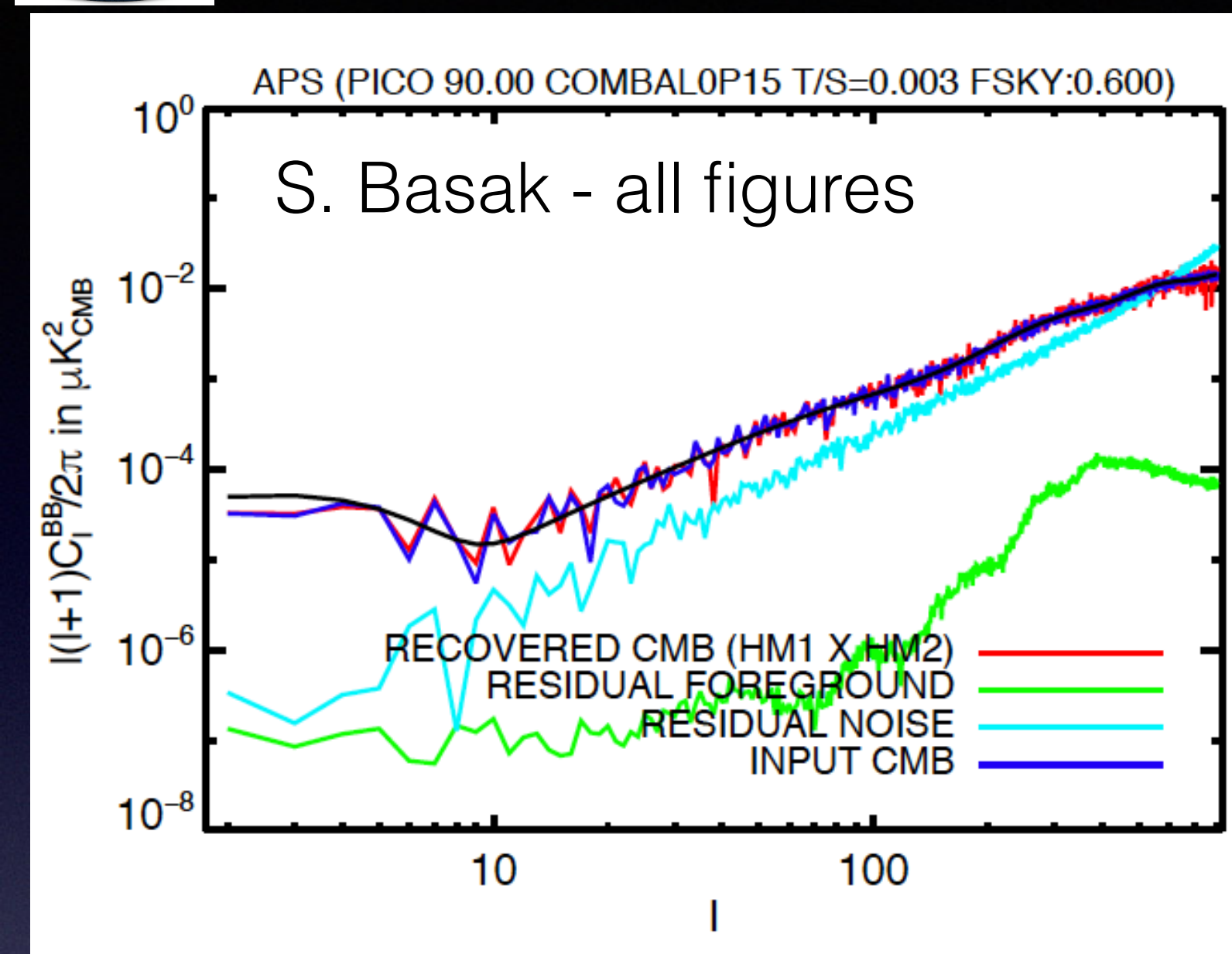


- Experiments with masks
- For spectra shown, masks are based on residuals of that model

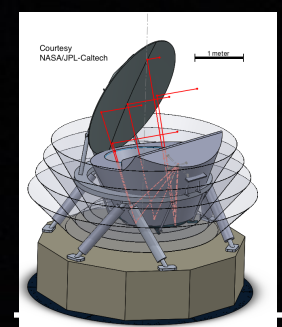




# The Challenge of low $l$ Foregrounds - NILC



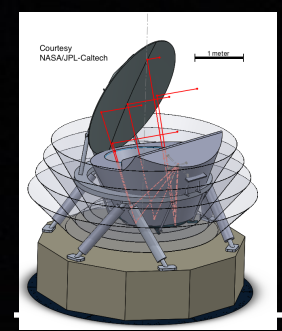




# The Challenge of low $\ell$ Foregrounds

- What's next
  - SEVEM - attempting coarser resolution
  - NILC - more realizations
  - Graca is estimating parameters
  - More methods soon





# Explore how the Universe Evolved - Reionization

- Determine the reionization history of the Universe
  - $\sigma(\tau) = 0.002$  CV limited

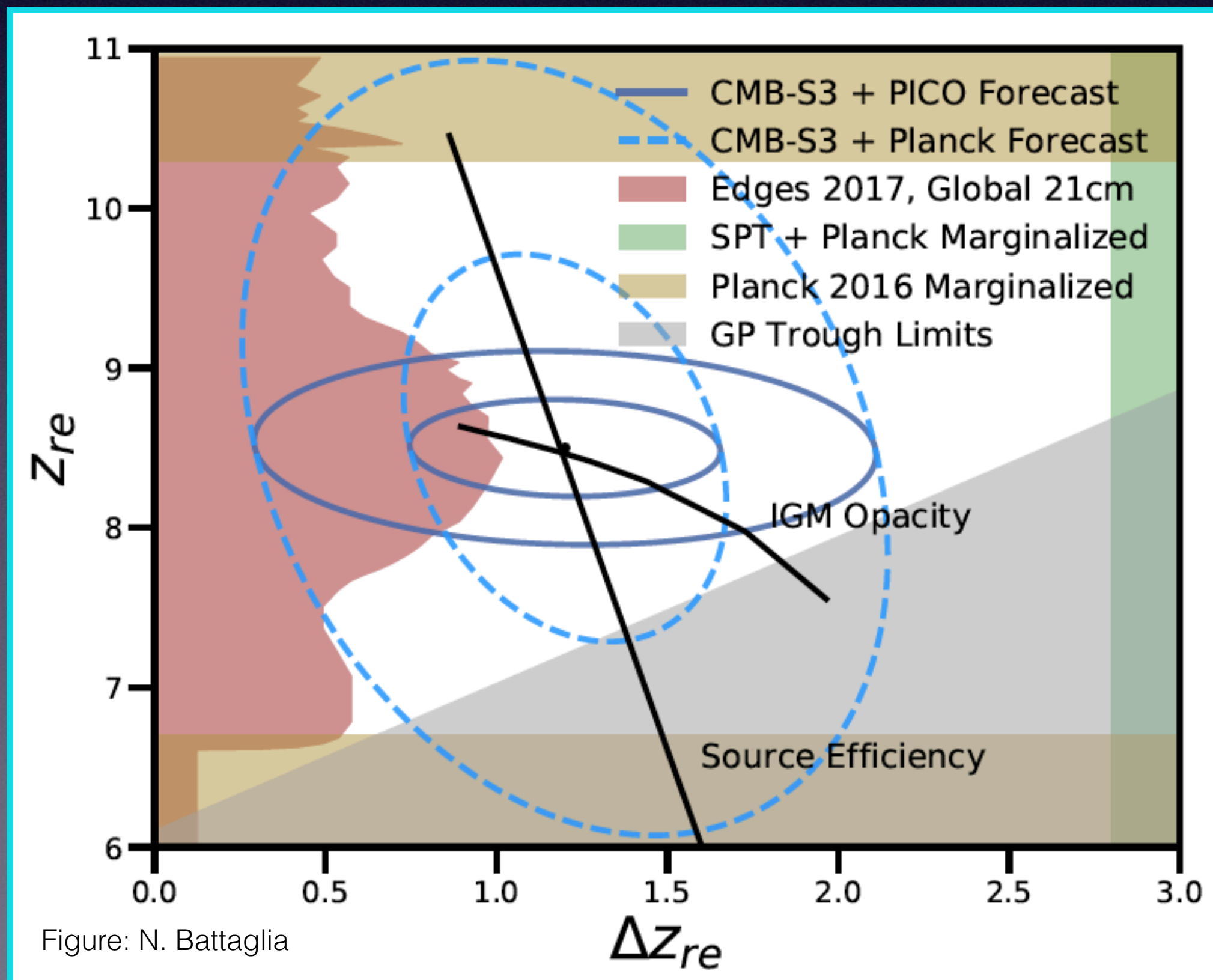
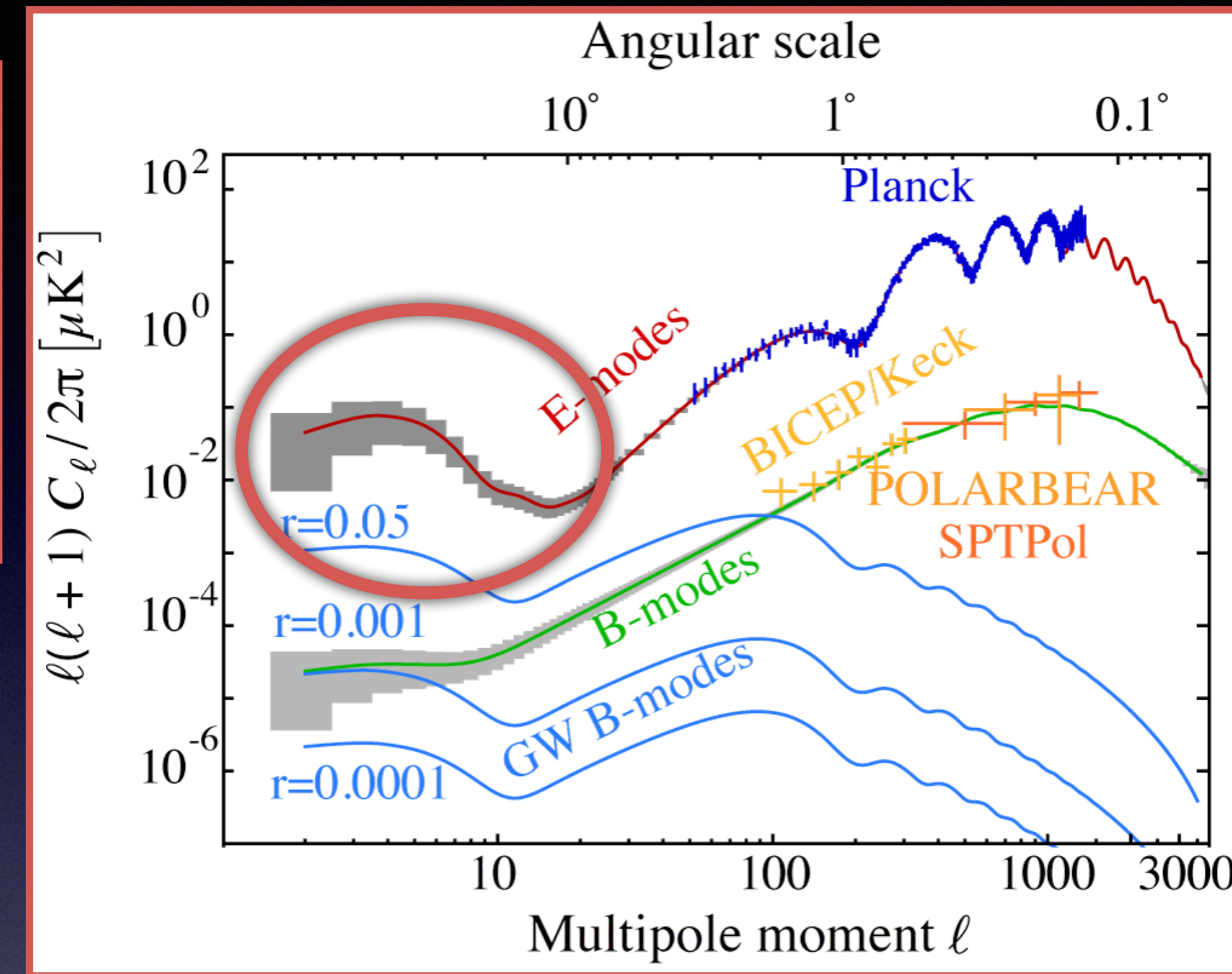
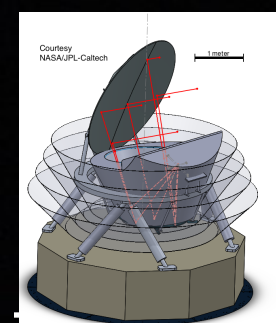


Figure: N. Battaglia

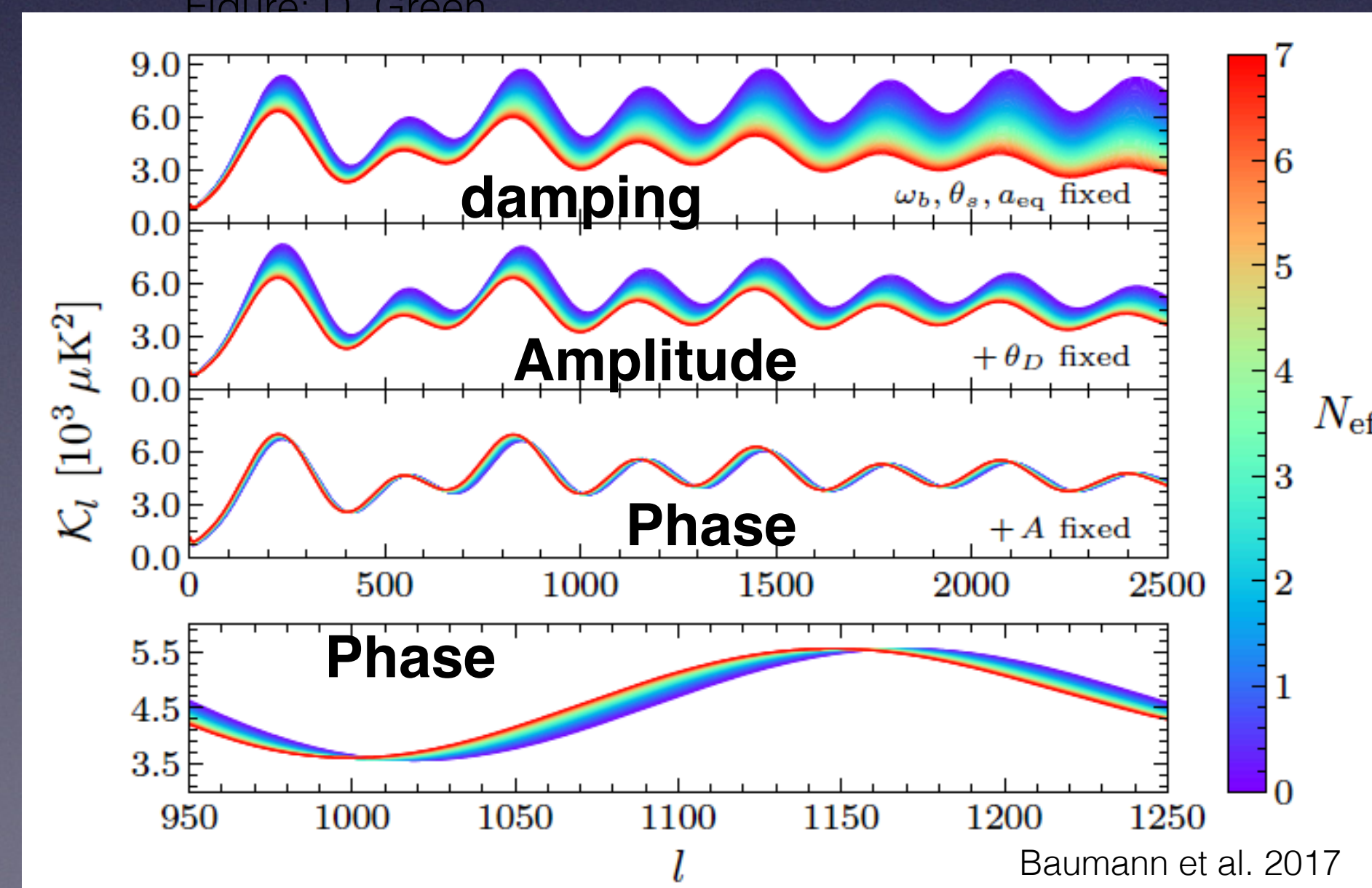
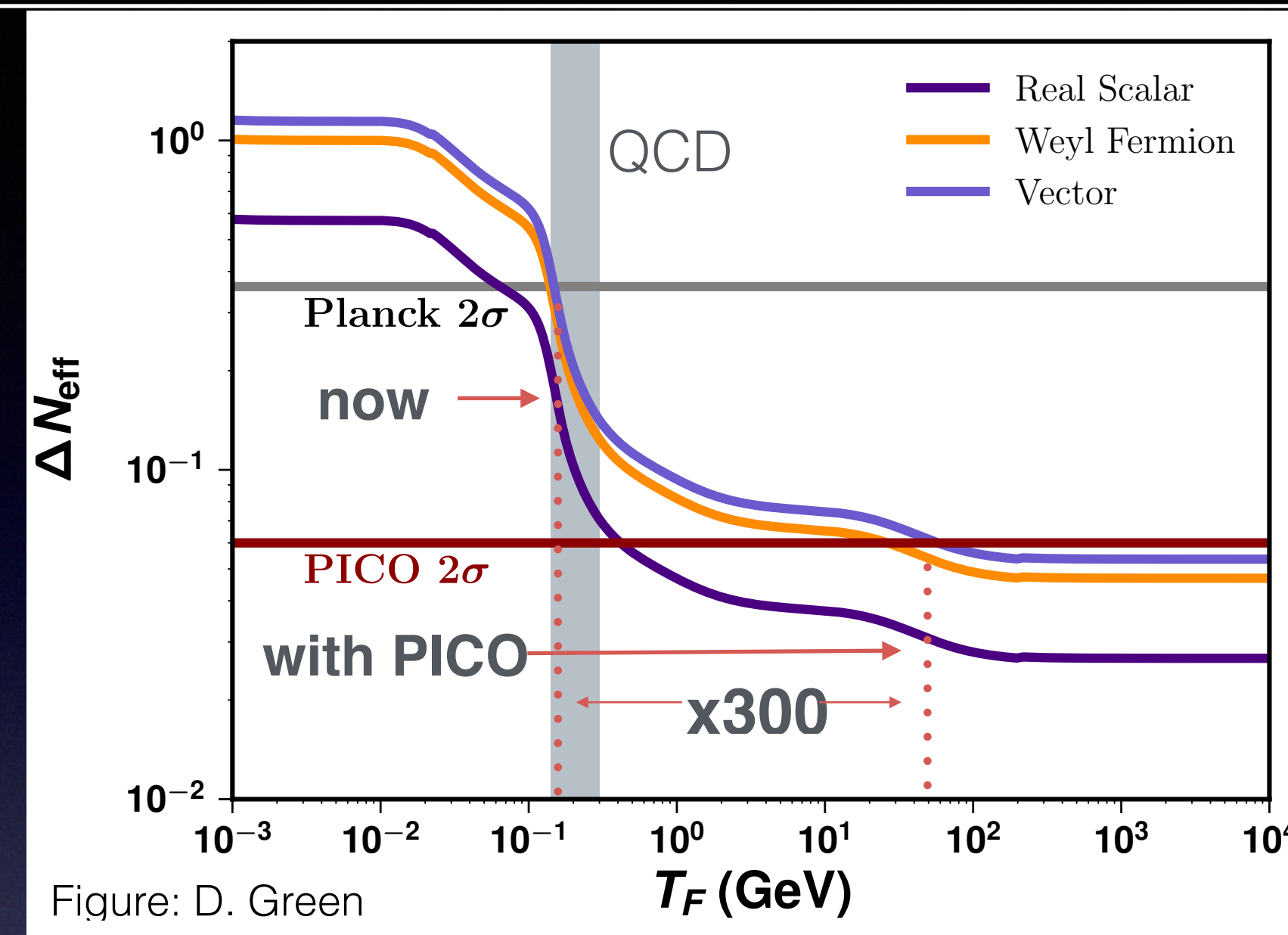
- $\tau \propto Z_{re}$  (Planck, PICO)
- $\left(\frac{\Delta T}{T}\right)_{ksz} \propto \Delta Z_{re}$  (S3, SPT)
- Transition from neutral to ionized Universe controlled by 'IGM Opacity' and 'Source Efficiency'



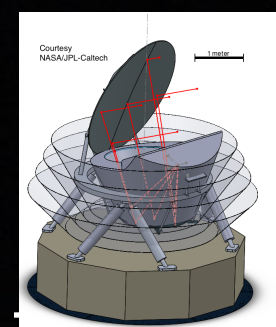


# Discover How The Universe Works - Neff

- Constrain the number of light relics in the early Universe
- $\sigma(N_{eff}) = 0.03$
- Constraint is proportional to number of  $l$  modes in TT, TE, and EE
- Extend range of energy to exclude new species by
  - x300 for vector particle
  - x2.5 for scalar particle
- Cross the QCD phase transition

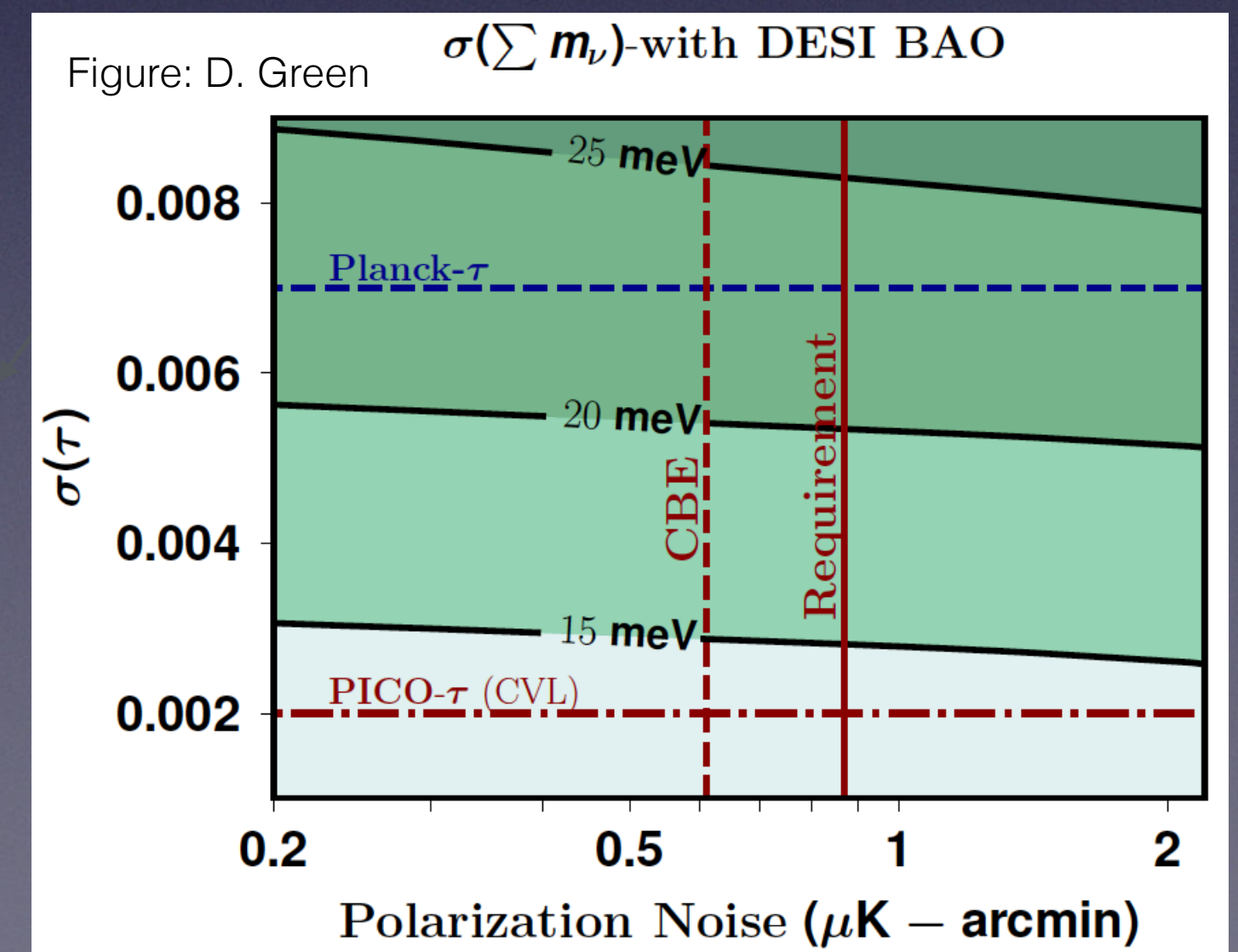
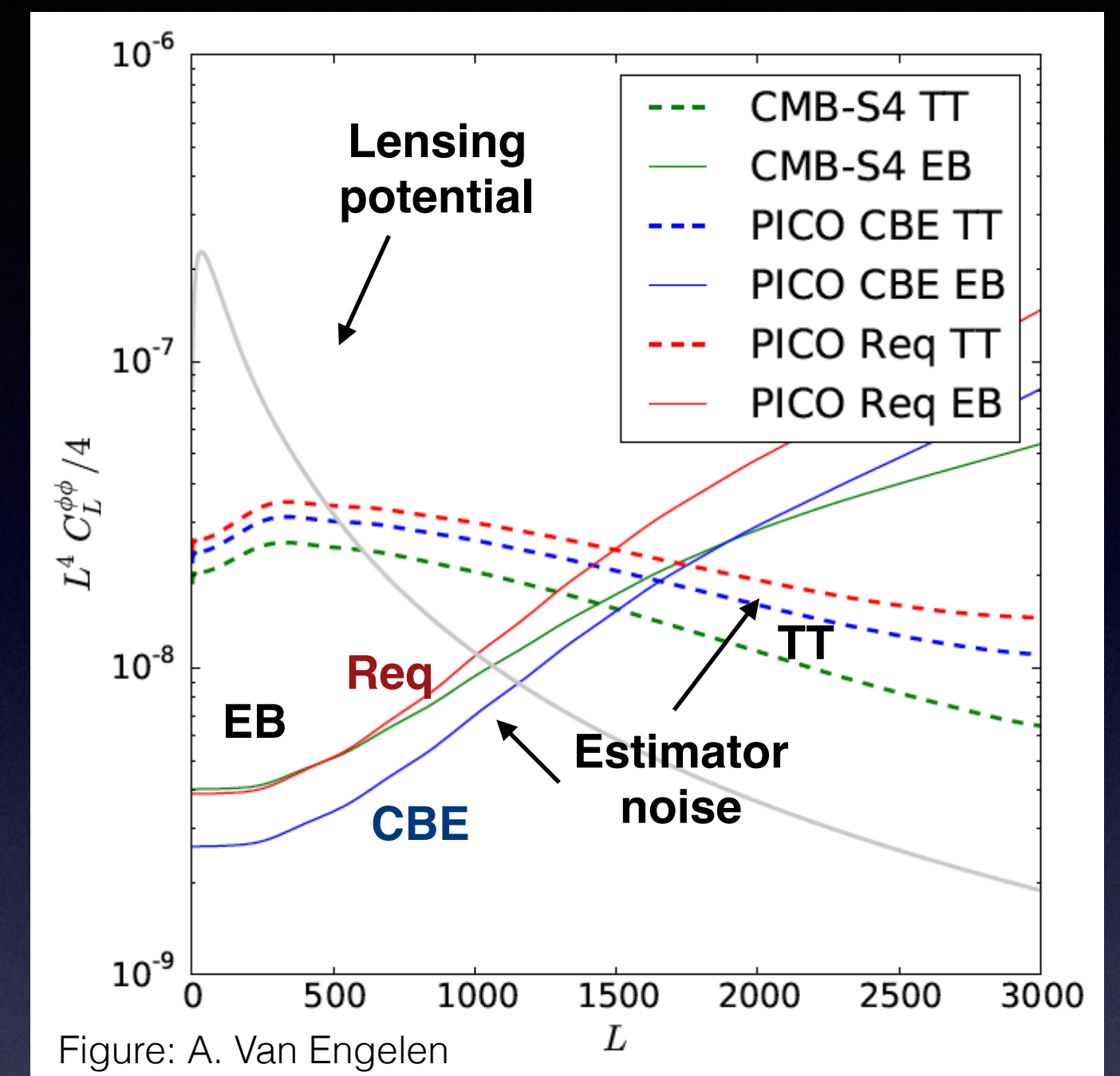




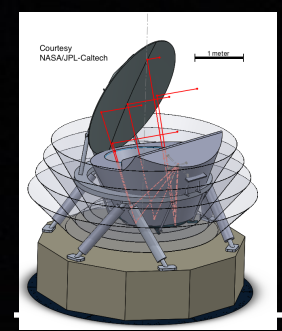


# Discover How The Universe Works - Neutrino Mass

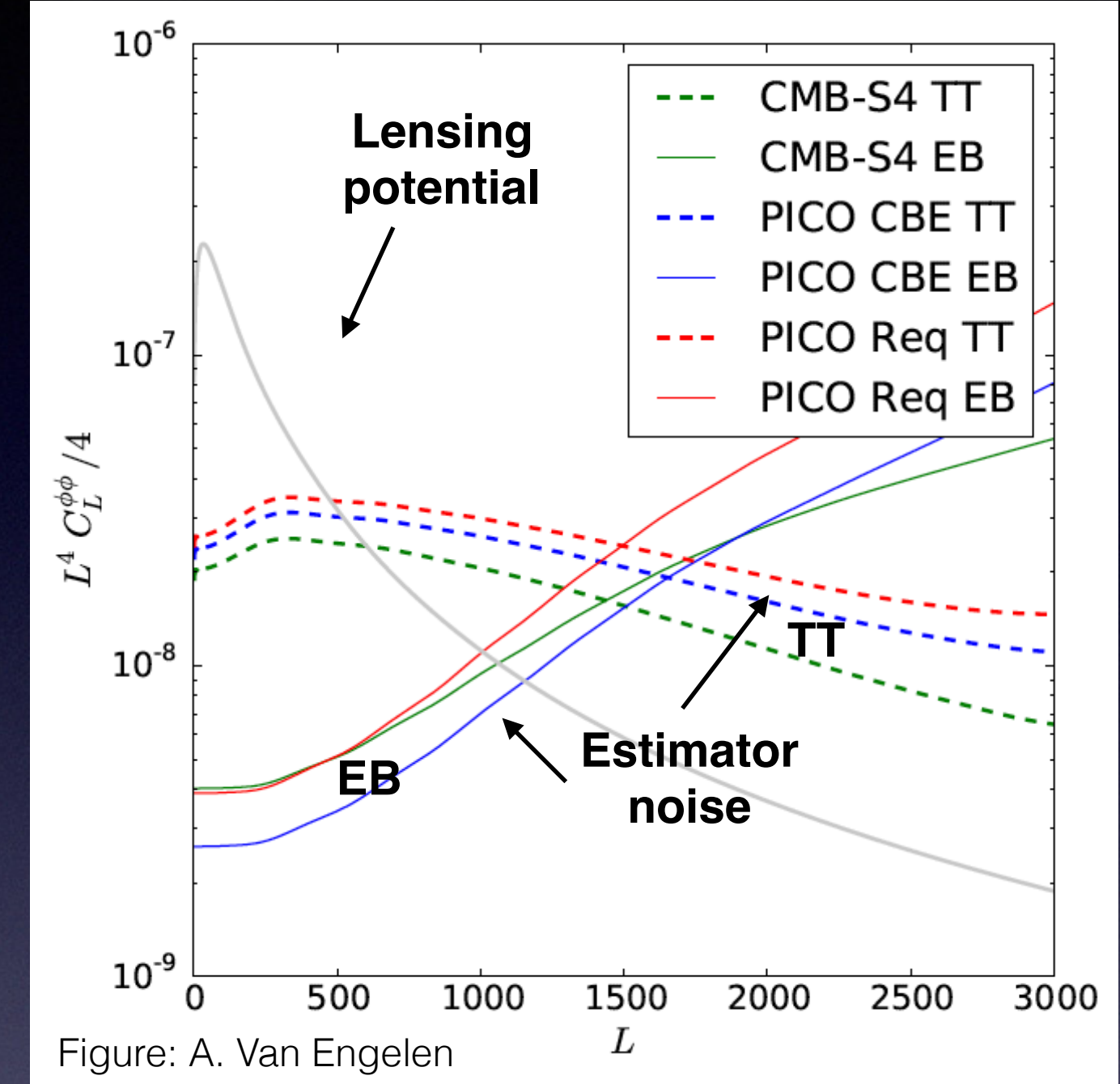
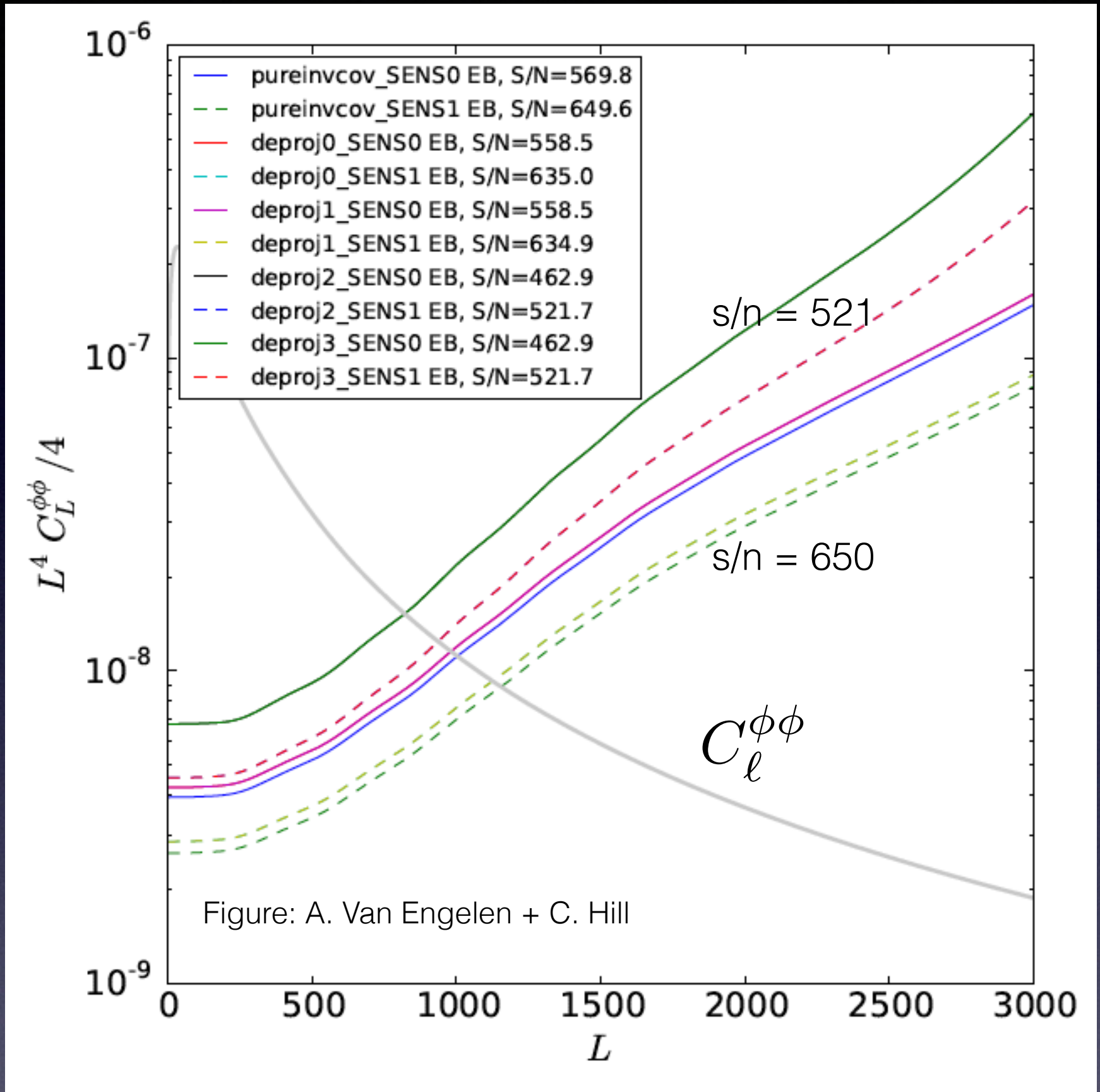
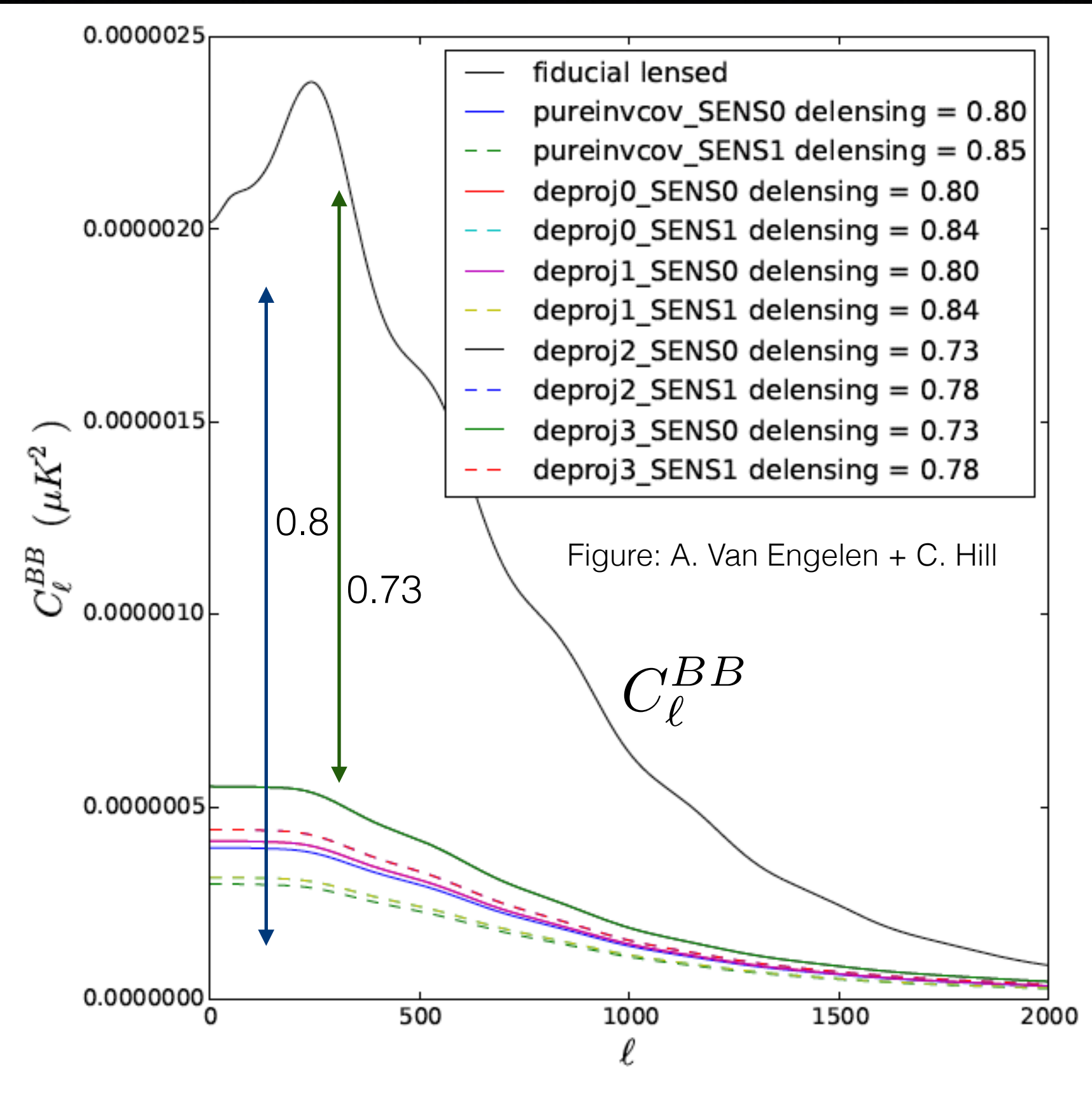
- Determine the sum of neutrino masses
- Measurements of the matter power spectrum, primarily through the lensing potential power spectrum ( $\ell \sim 1000$ )
- Break degeneracy between  $\tau$  and  $\Omega_m h^2$  with DESI-BAO
- $\sigma(\Sigma m_\nu) = 14 \text{ meV}$
- $4\sigma$  or  $7\sigma$  detection
- Similar, independent constraint from PICO cluster counts
- PICO gives both tau and lensing





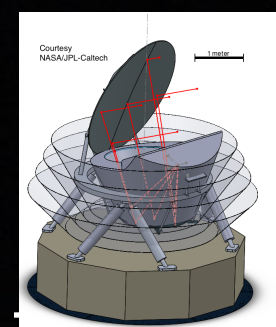


# Foreground Effects on phi-phi and delensing



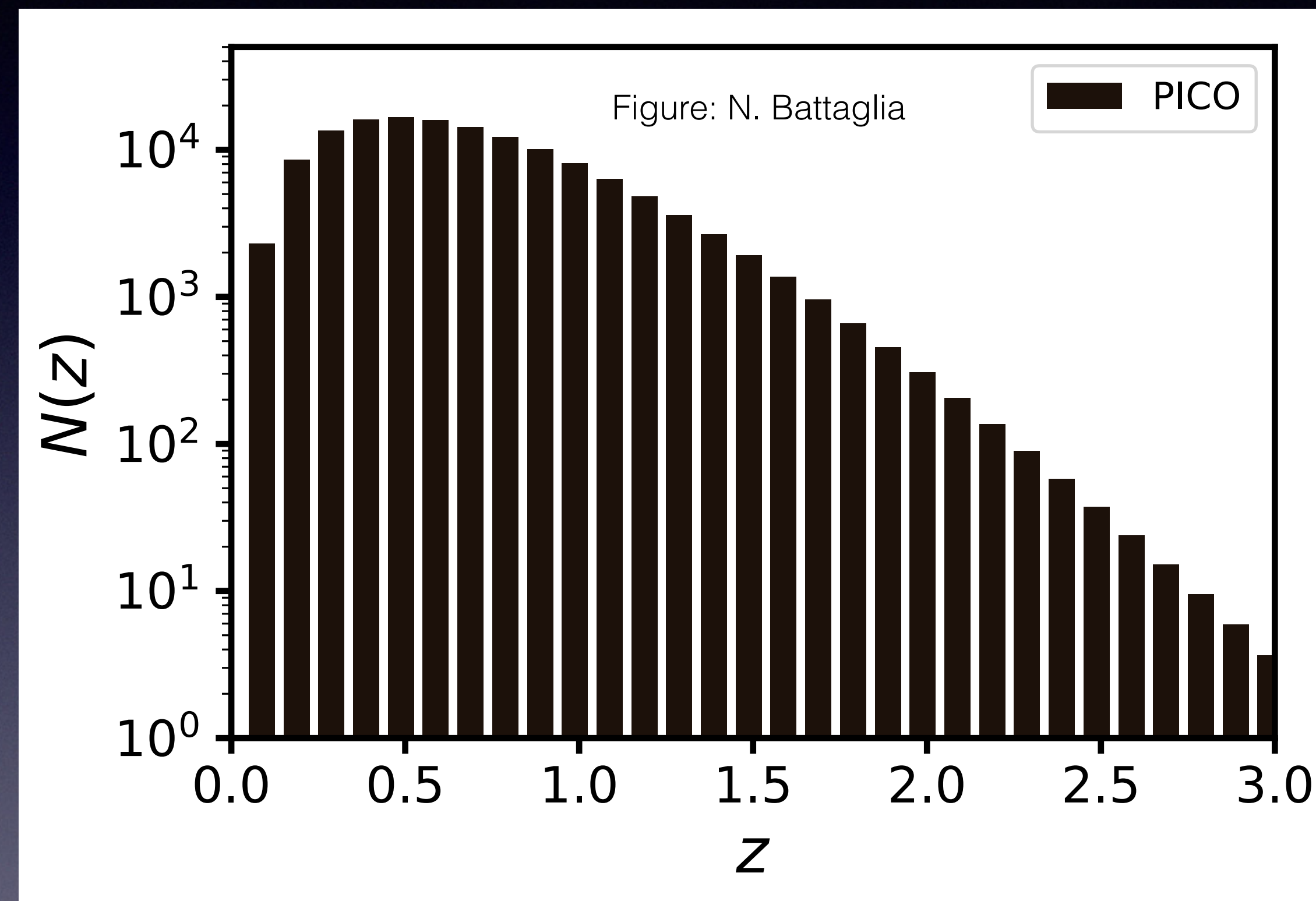
Colin applies ILC Foreground separation in the power spectrum using PICO noise (model includes frequency + EE+ BB from planck/WMAP + extrapolated to high  $\ell$ ) gives post subtraction (higher) noise levels to Alex Alex recalculates S/N for phi-phi or for delensing level on BB



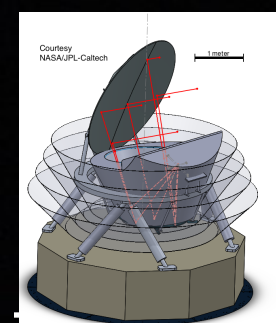


# Discover how the Universe Works - Dark Energy

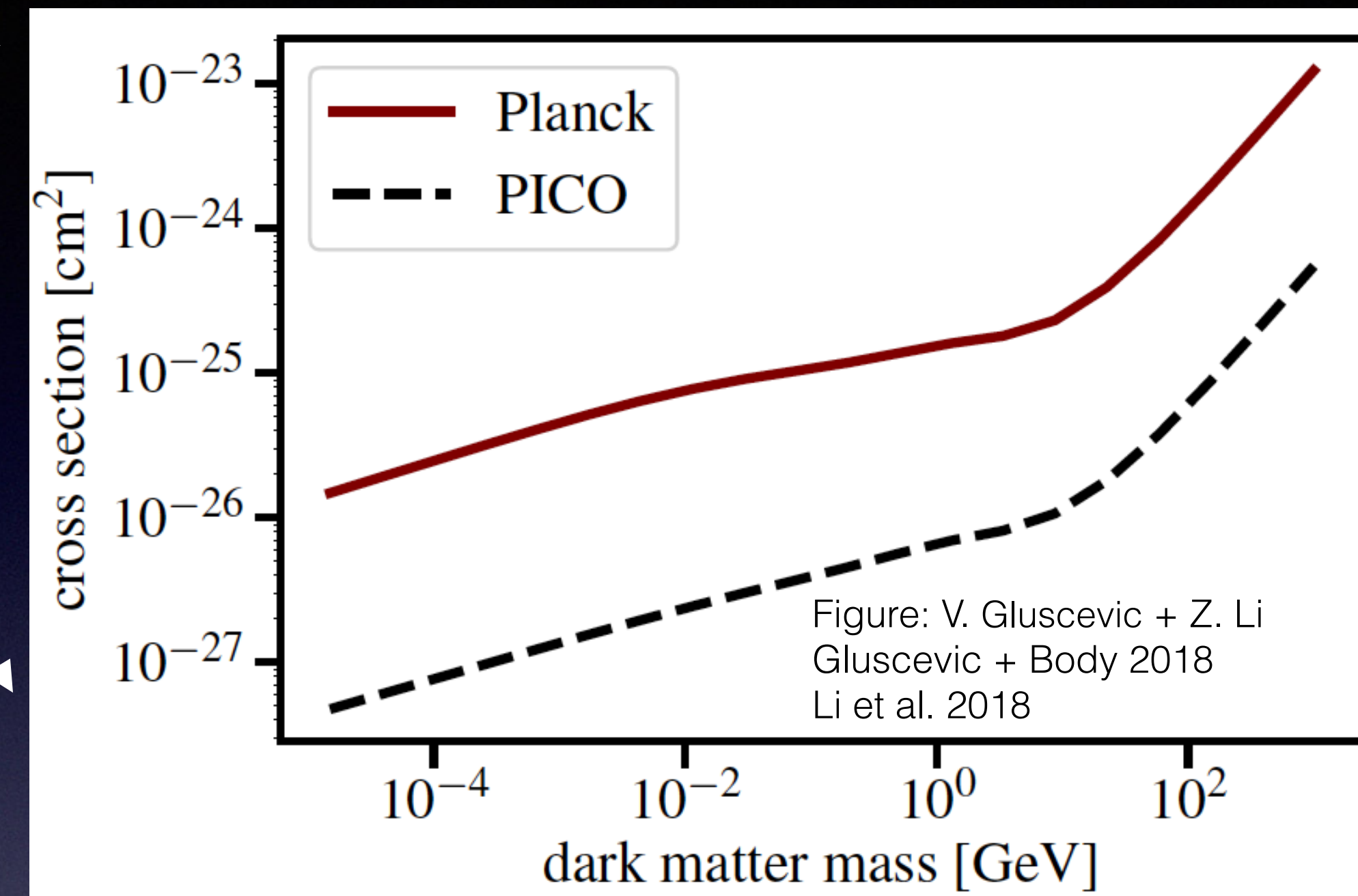
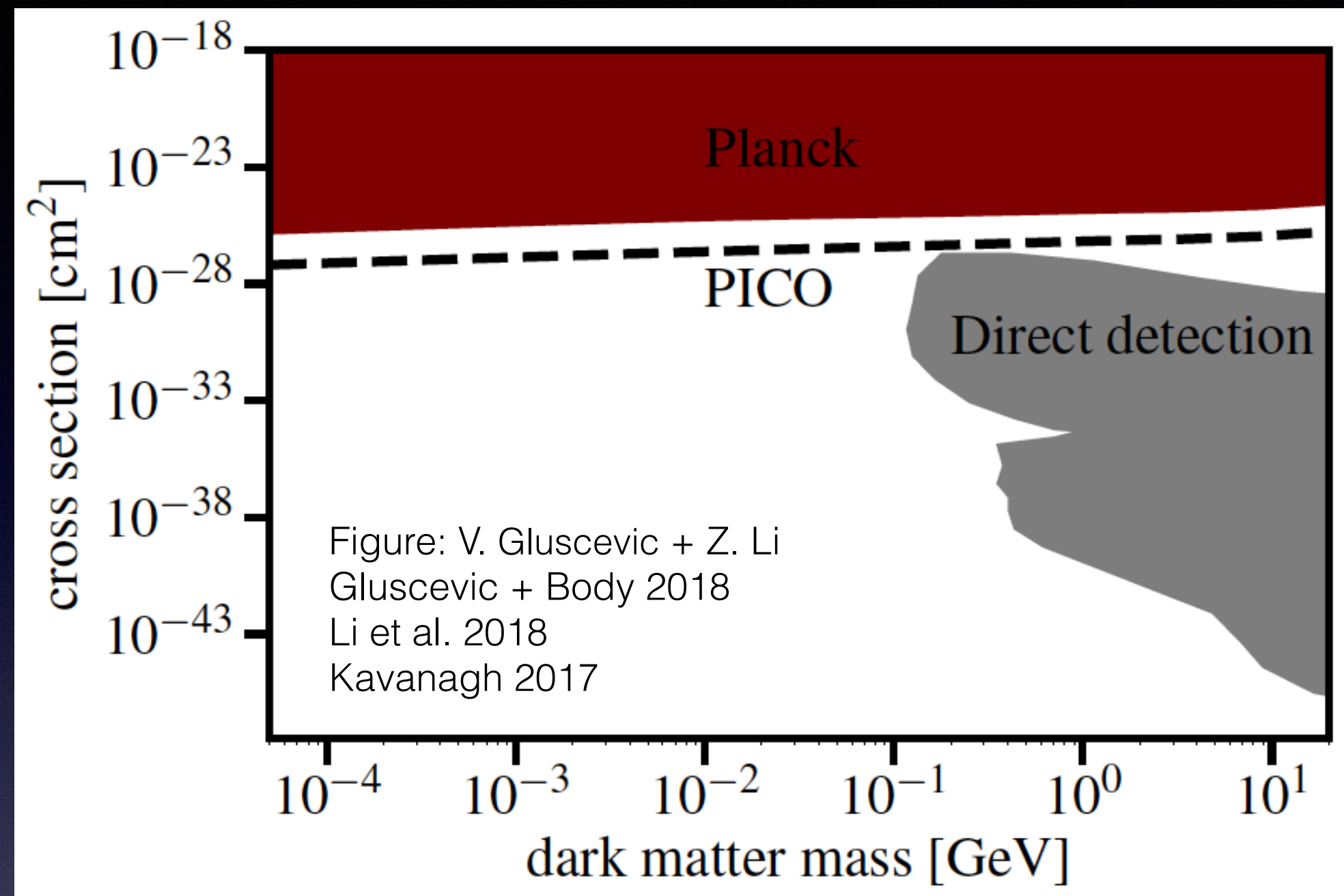
- Extract cosmological parameters with 140,000 clusters, 1000 with  $z > 2$
- using thermal SZ, full sky
- Planck:  $\sim 2000$
- S3: 20,000
- $\sigma(\Sigma m_\nu) \simeq 15 \text{ meV}$
- $\sigma(\omega_0) = 0.022$  (x3.5 planck)
- $\sigma(\omega_a) = 0.13$  (x2.5 planck)





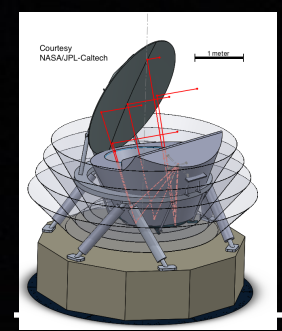


# Discover How The Universe Works - Dark Matter



- Constrain low energy dark matter cross section
- Region not accessible to direction detection experiments
- x25 improvement relative to Planck





# Explore how the Universe Evolved

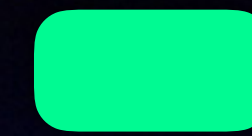
## Map magnetic field for our Entire Galaxy



Planck, 5'



PICO, smoothed to 5'



PICO, 1'

$$\sigma_p \leq 0.33\%$$

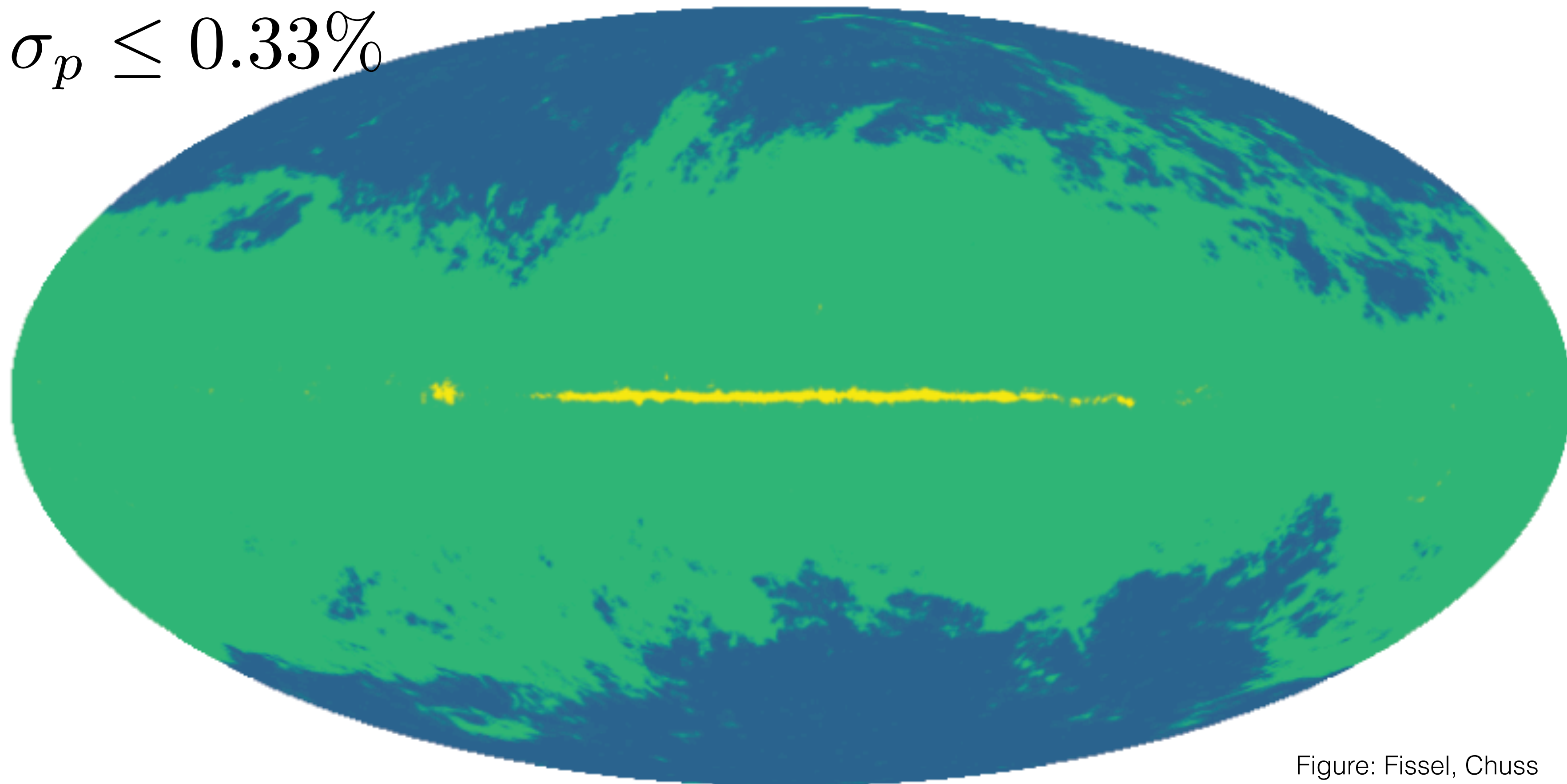
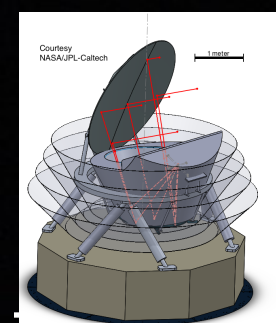


Figure: Fissel, Chuss





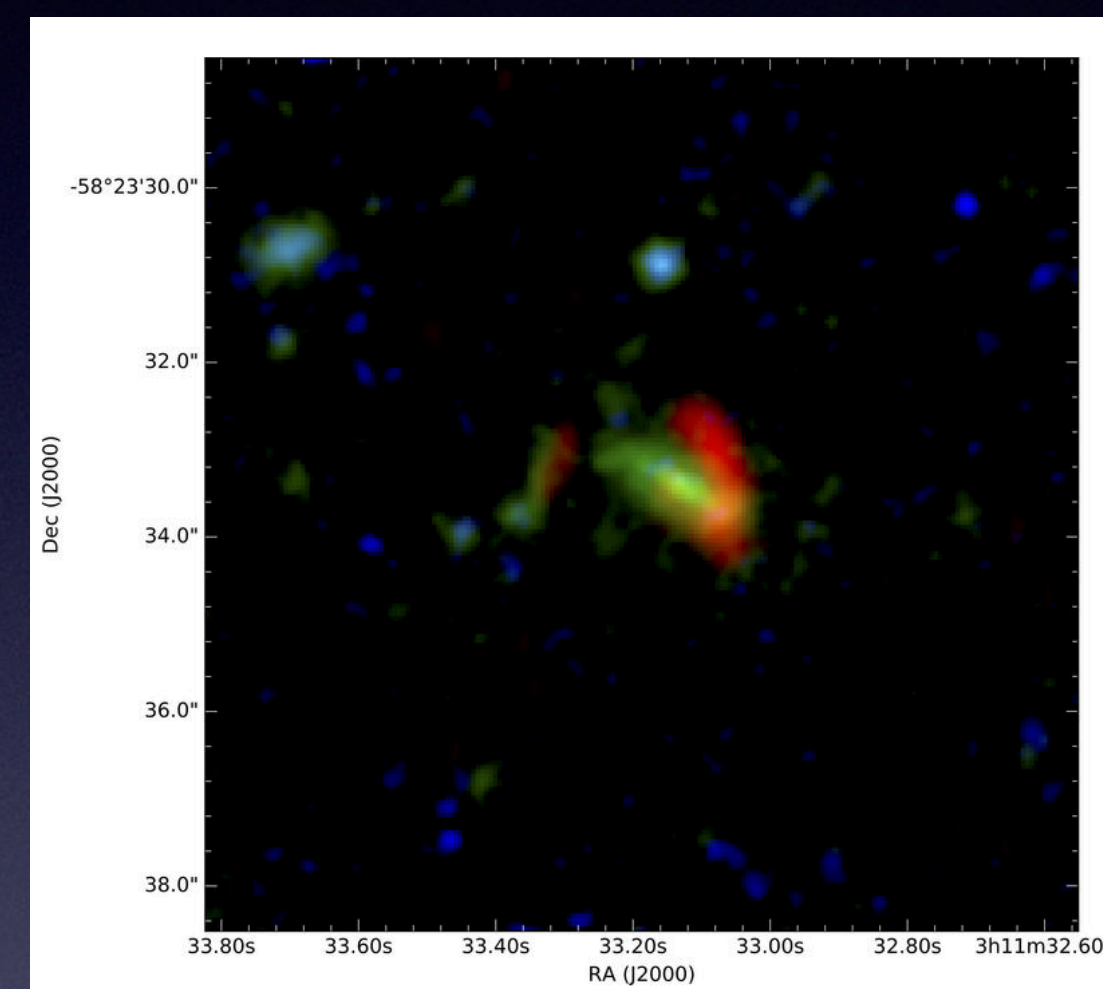
# Legacy Science

- Discover 4500 highly magnified dusty galaxies at  $z$  up to  $\sim 5$ ;
- Discover tens of thousands proto-clusters extending to high redshift ( $z \sim 4$ );
- Detect polarization of 4000 radio and FIR-emitting galaxies;
- $\times 10$ -1000 more than known today
- Probe star formation history; determine galaxy and cluster formation and evolution; learn about dark matter substructure; and measure properties of jets in radio-loud sources.

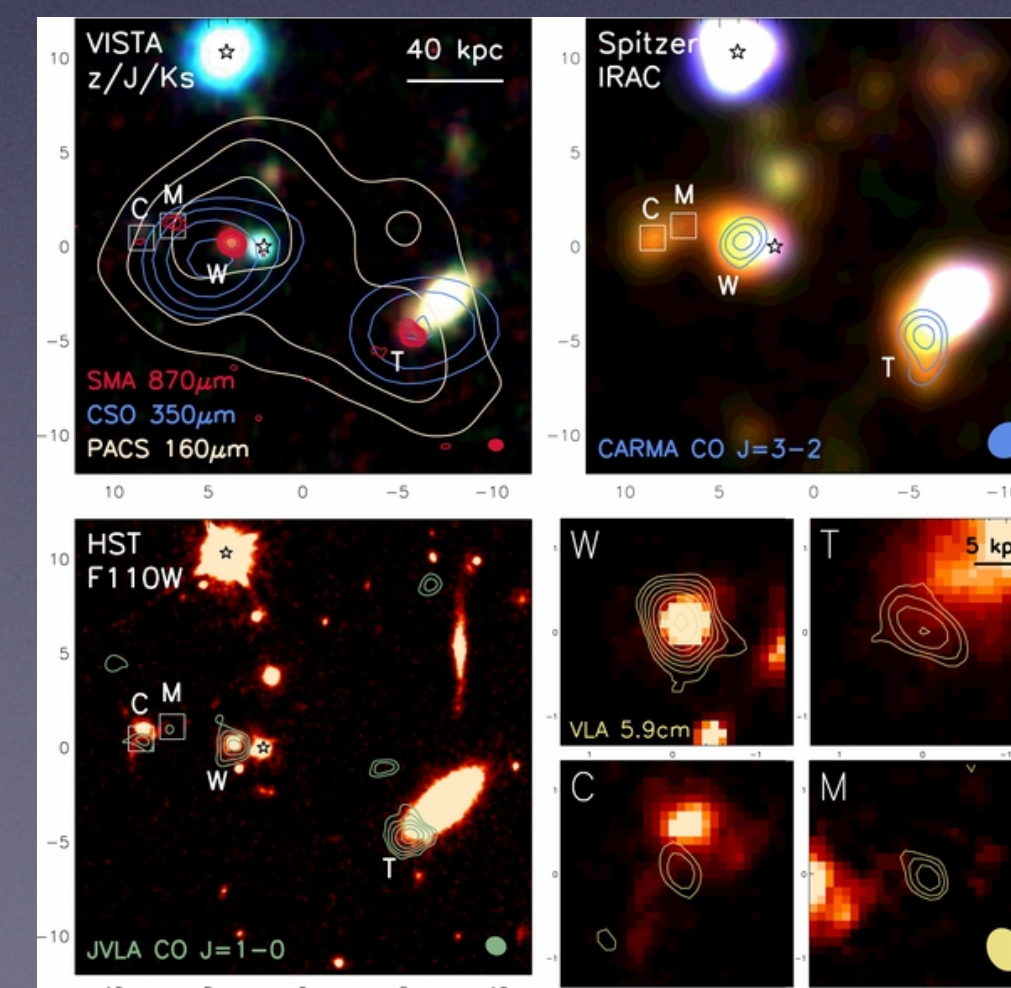
NSF News Release Dec. 6, 2017



Massive primordial galaxies found in 'halo' of dark matter



Marrone et al. 2017; two strongly lensed massive galaxies,  $z=6.9$  (SPT initial detection)

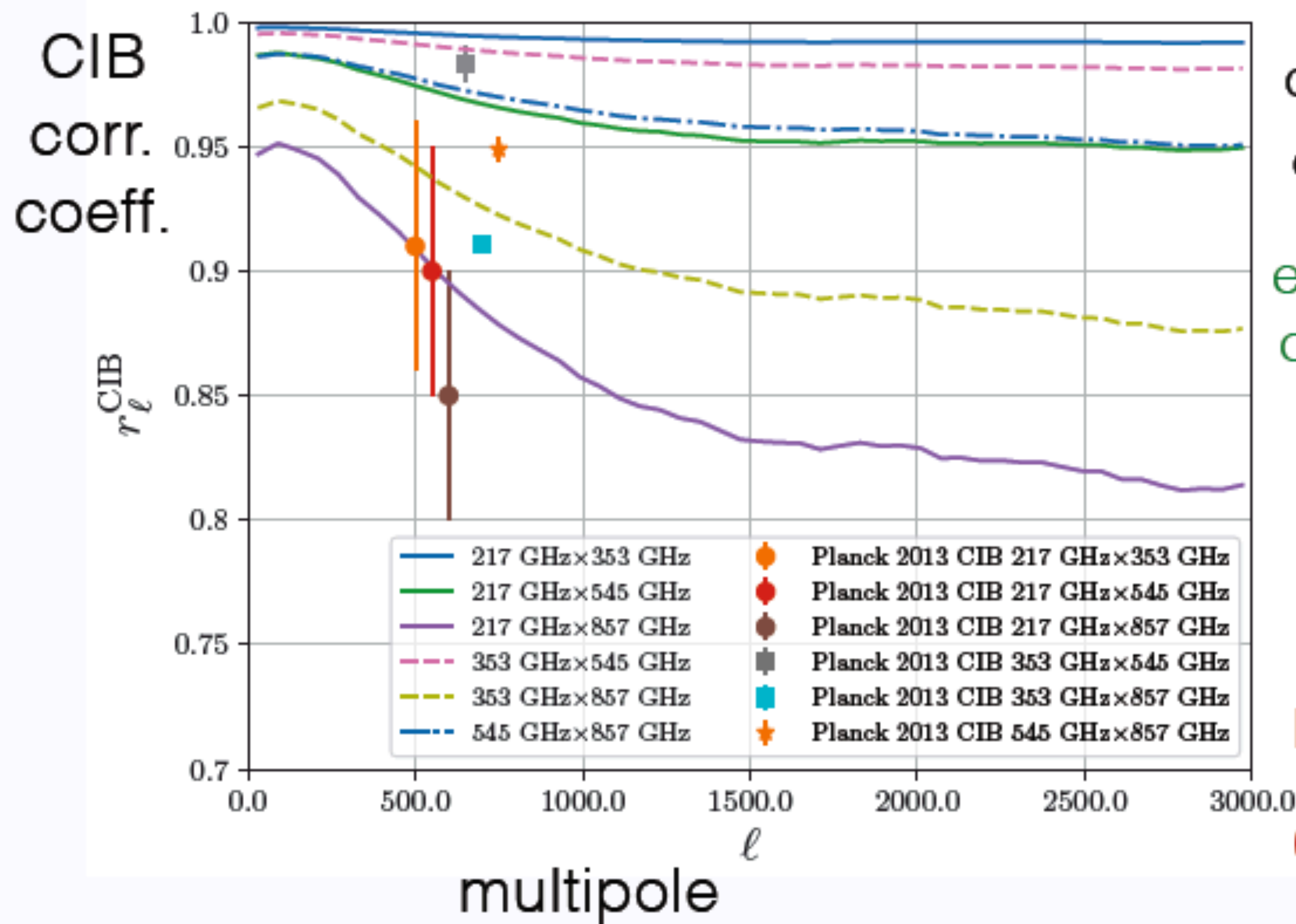


Ivison et al. 2013; proto-cluster core,  $z=2.4$  (Herschel initial detection)



# High- $\ell$ Foregrounds

CIB decorrelation may ultimately limit high- $\ell$  component separation for tSZ/kSZ science

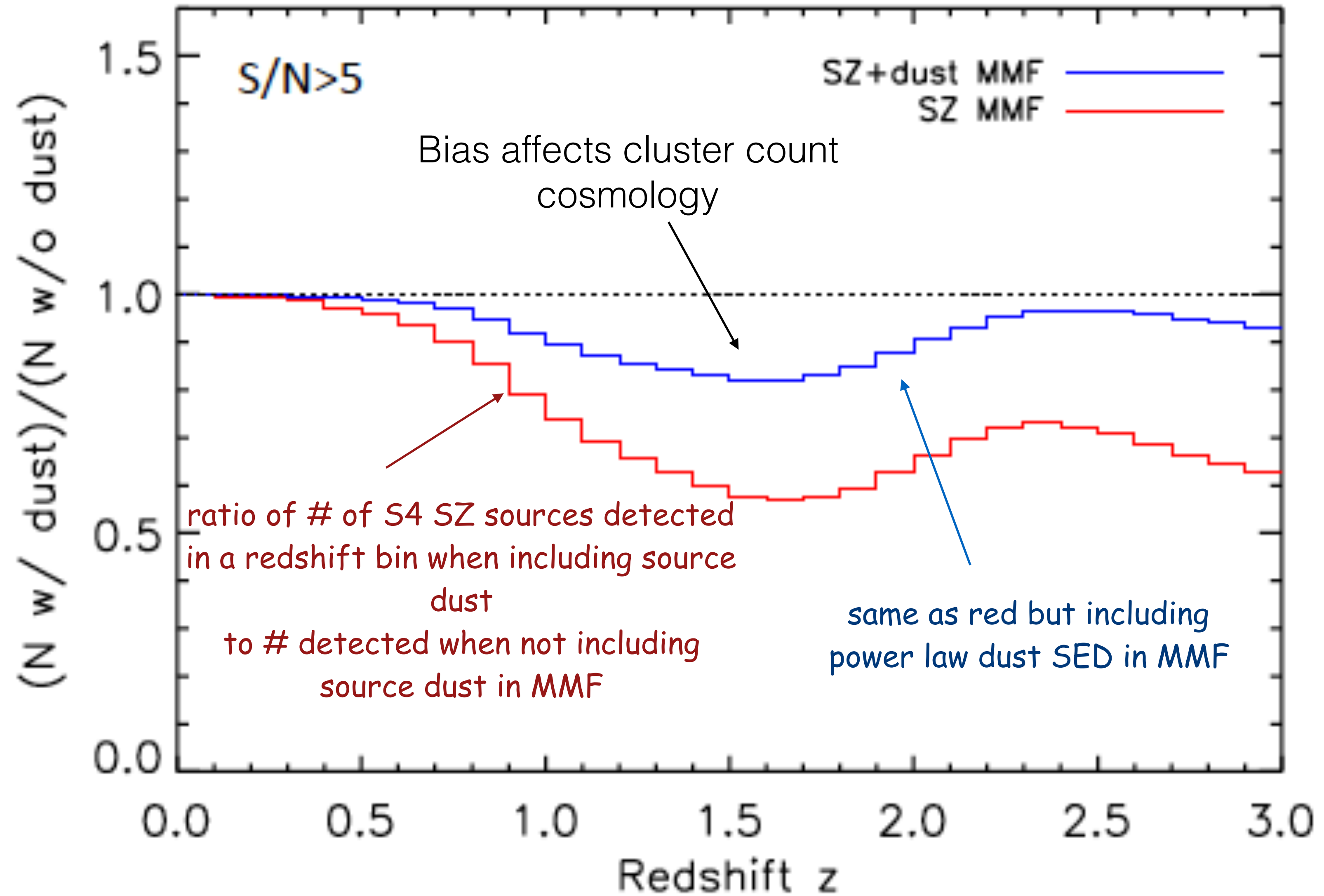


data points = Planck  
curves = CITA sims.

even 1% residual CIB  
could be an issue for  
some SZ science

synergy: high-freq.  
PICO channels can  
be used to clean  
lower-freq. S4 maps  
(ideally w/ comparable  
angular resolution)

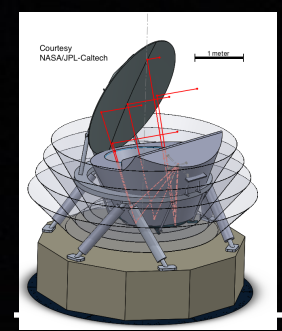




MMF = Multifrequency Matched Filter

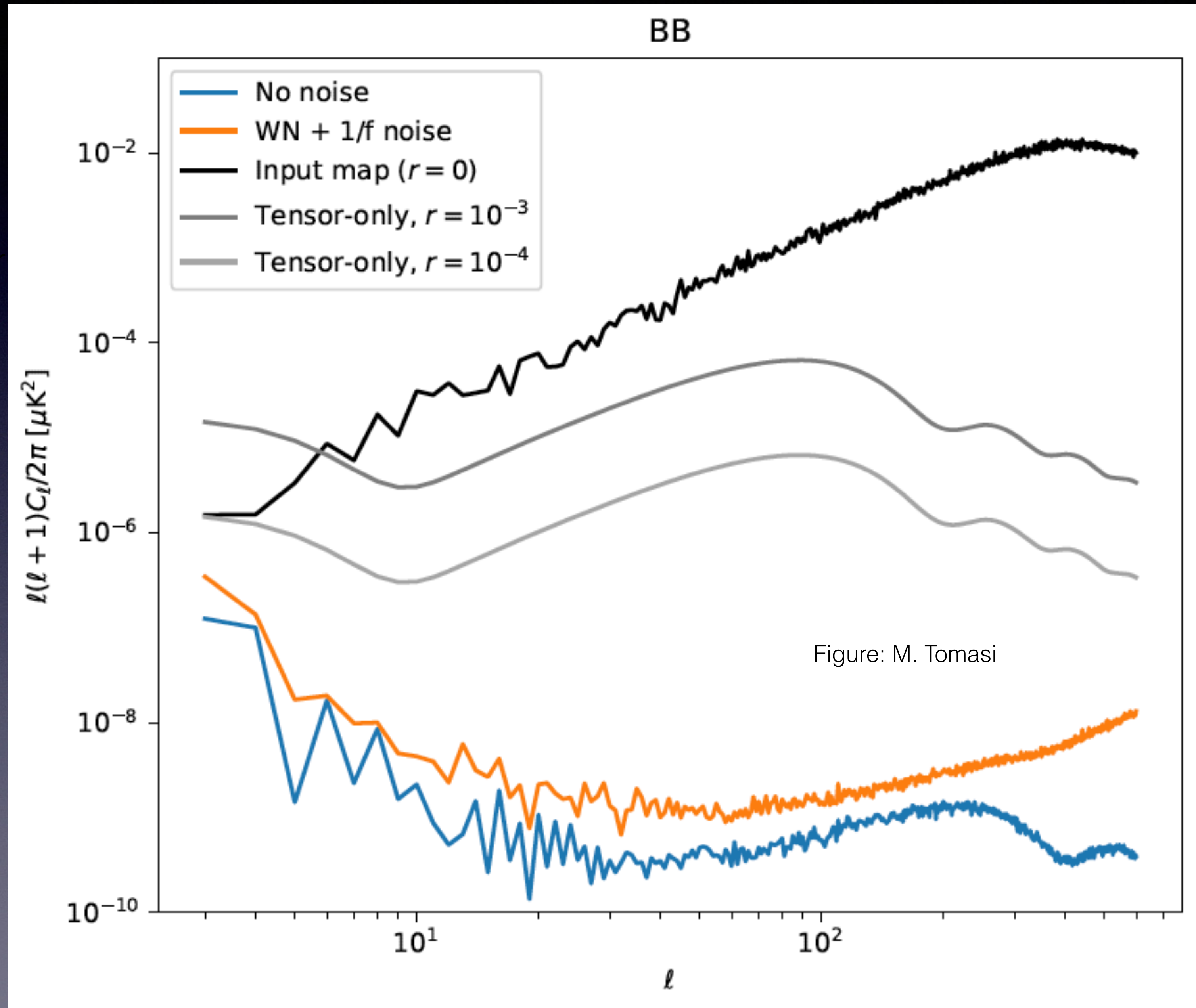
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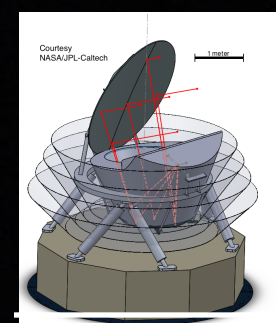


# Systematics - (Absolute) Gain Calibration

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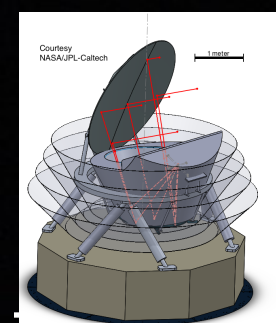




# FAQ

- Did you consider a spectrometer?
  - Yes
- Did you consider a LiteBIRD type mission
  - Yes and No
- What does 'endorsing the report' imply?
  - That you think there are still opportunities for CMB in space and you encourage NASA to stay in the CMB business





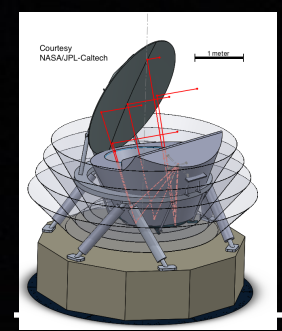
# PICO Summary

- Inflation, quantum gravity, particle physics, extragalactic and galactic structure and evolution:
  - All unique goals for the PICO measurements
  - PICO is the only instrument with the combination of sky coverage, resolution, frequency bands, and sensitivity to achieve all of this science with a single, optimally stable platform.
- Engineering + costing study complete:
  - Technology implementation is a straightforward extension of today's technologies; no technological breakthroughs required
  - Mission is a good fit to the cost window
- We very much hope to see NASA continue to support CMB from space in the next decade



Additional Slides

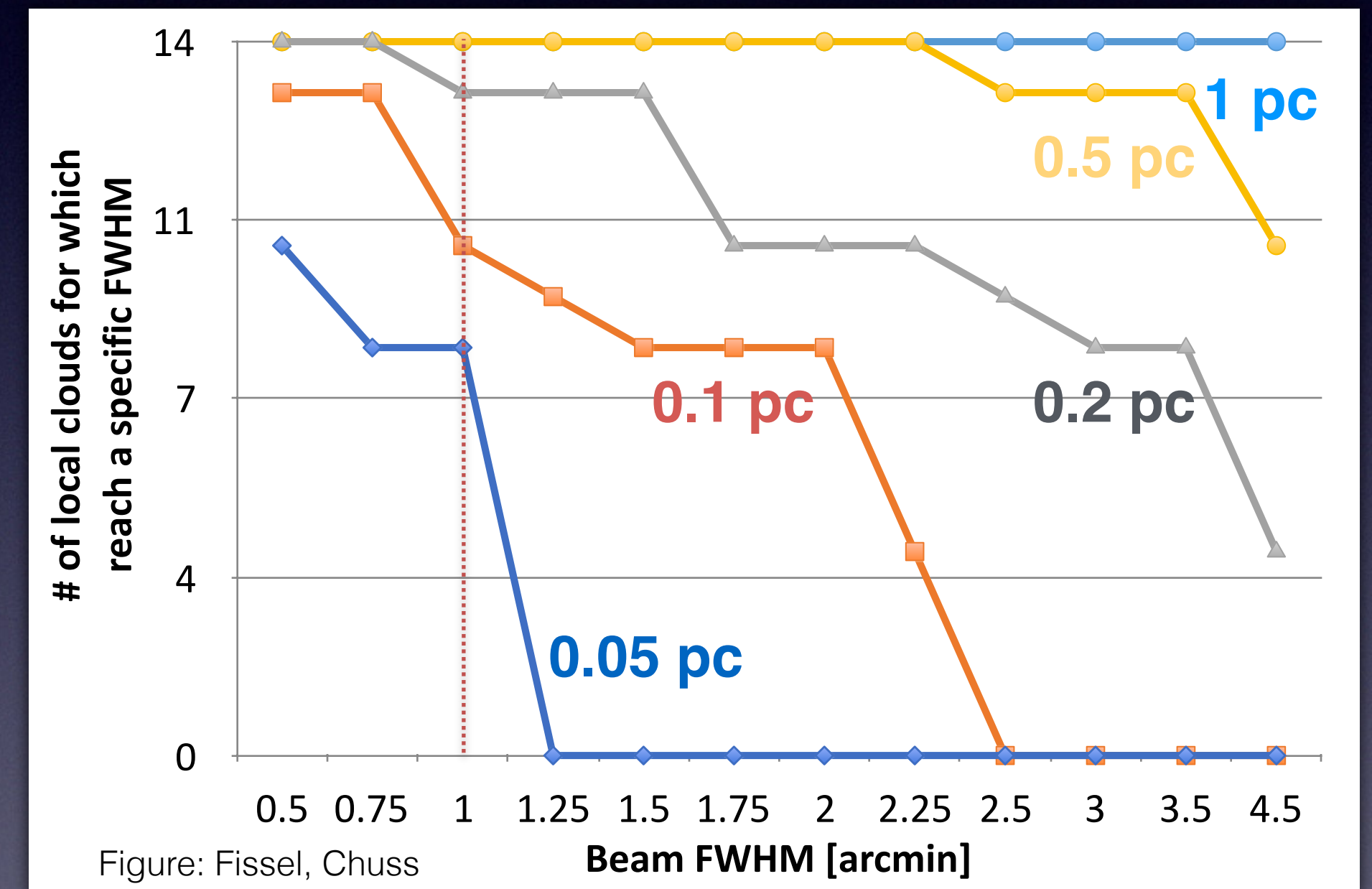




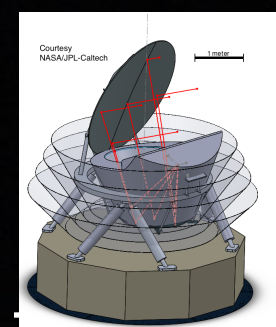
# Galactic Dynamics + Star Formation

- Determine the relative roles of turbulence and magnetic field in Milky Way dynamics and star formation efficiency
- Resolve Bfield structure in 8 nearby clouds at core scale (0.1pc), 10 at filament scale (0.5pc).
  - Currently: none.
- Resolve Bfield structure in >2000 galactic clouds with 1pc resolution to compare large scale turbulence and magnetic field.
  - Currently: 14 (Planck)

Nearby Molecular Clouds at < 1 pc resolution

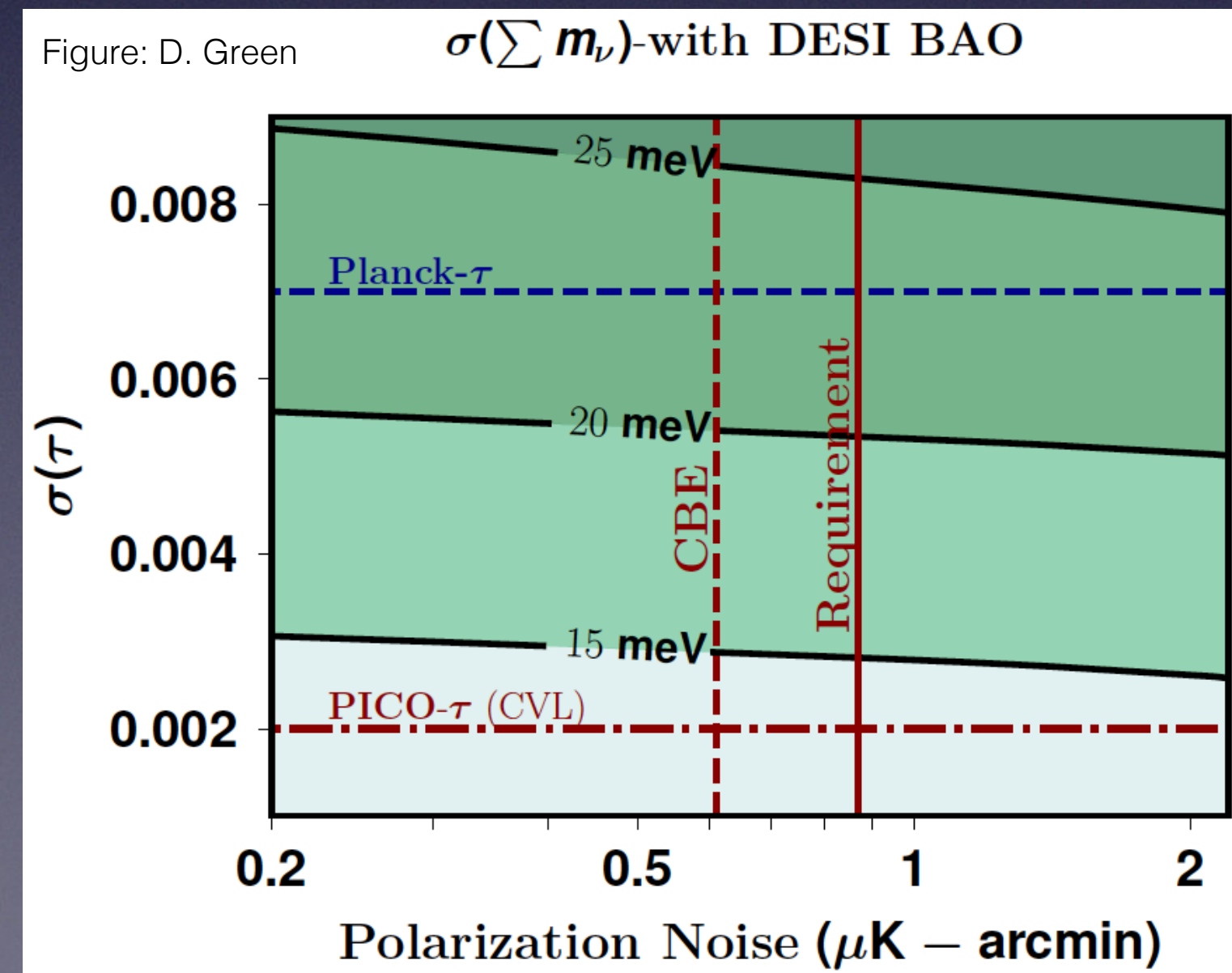
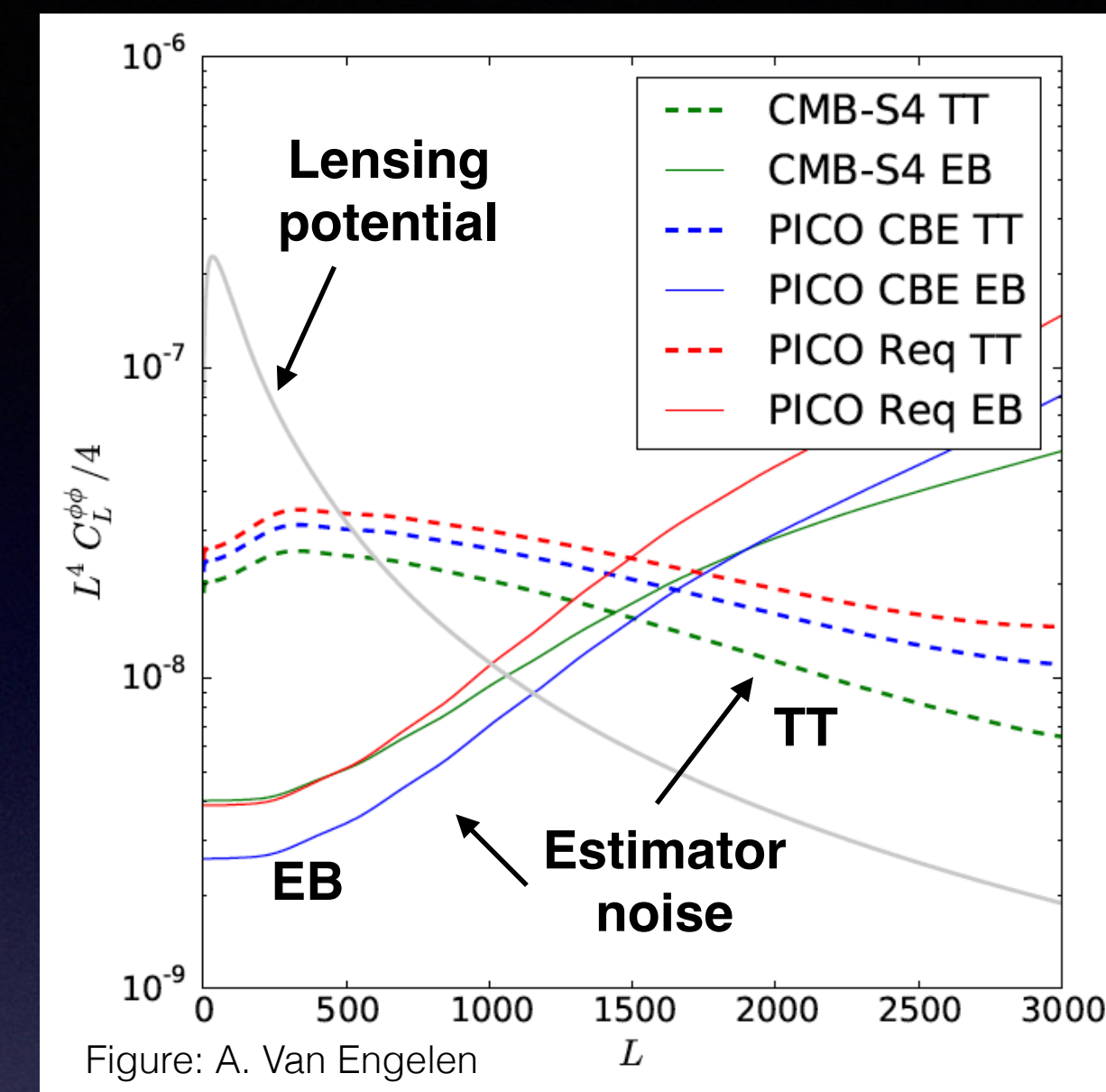
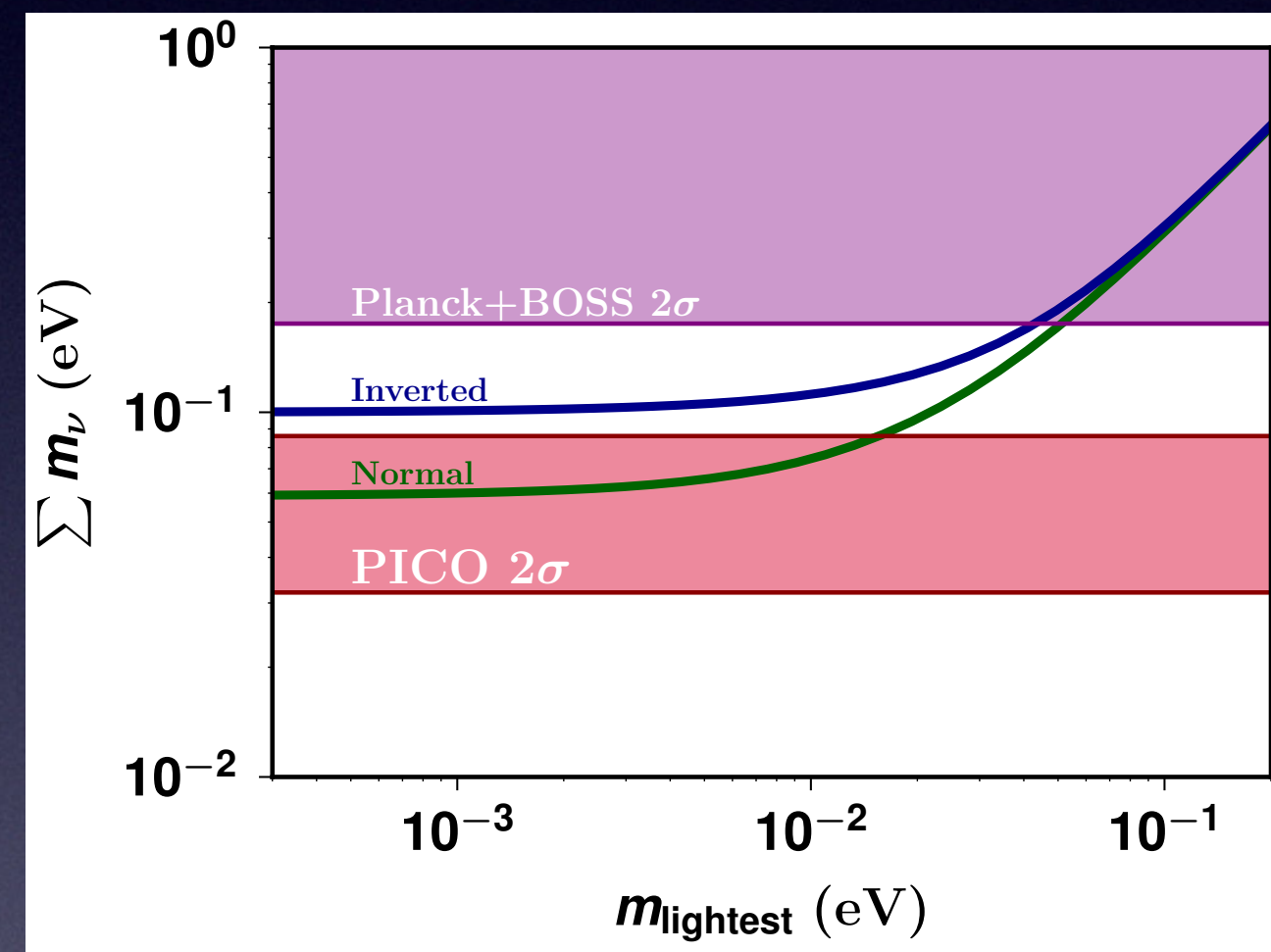




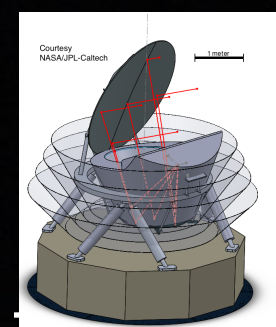


# Discover How The Universe Works - Neutrino Mass

- Determine the sum of neutrino masses
- Measurements of the matter power spectrum, primarily through the lensing potential power spectrum ( $\ell \sim 1000$ )
- Break degeneracy between  $\tau$  DESI-BAO
- $\sigma(\Sigma m_\nu) = 14 \text{ meV}$
- $4\sigma$  or  $7\sigma$  detection
- Similar, independent constraint from PICO cluster counts
- PICO gives both tau and lensing





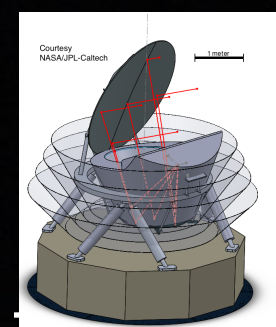


# Schedule for Launch

## Schedule and Tasks

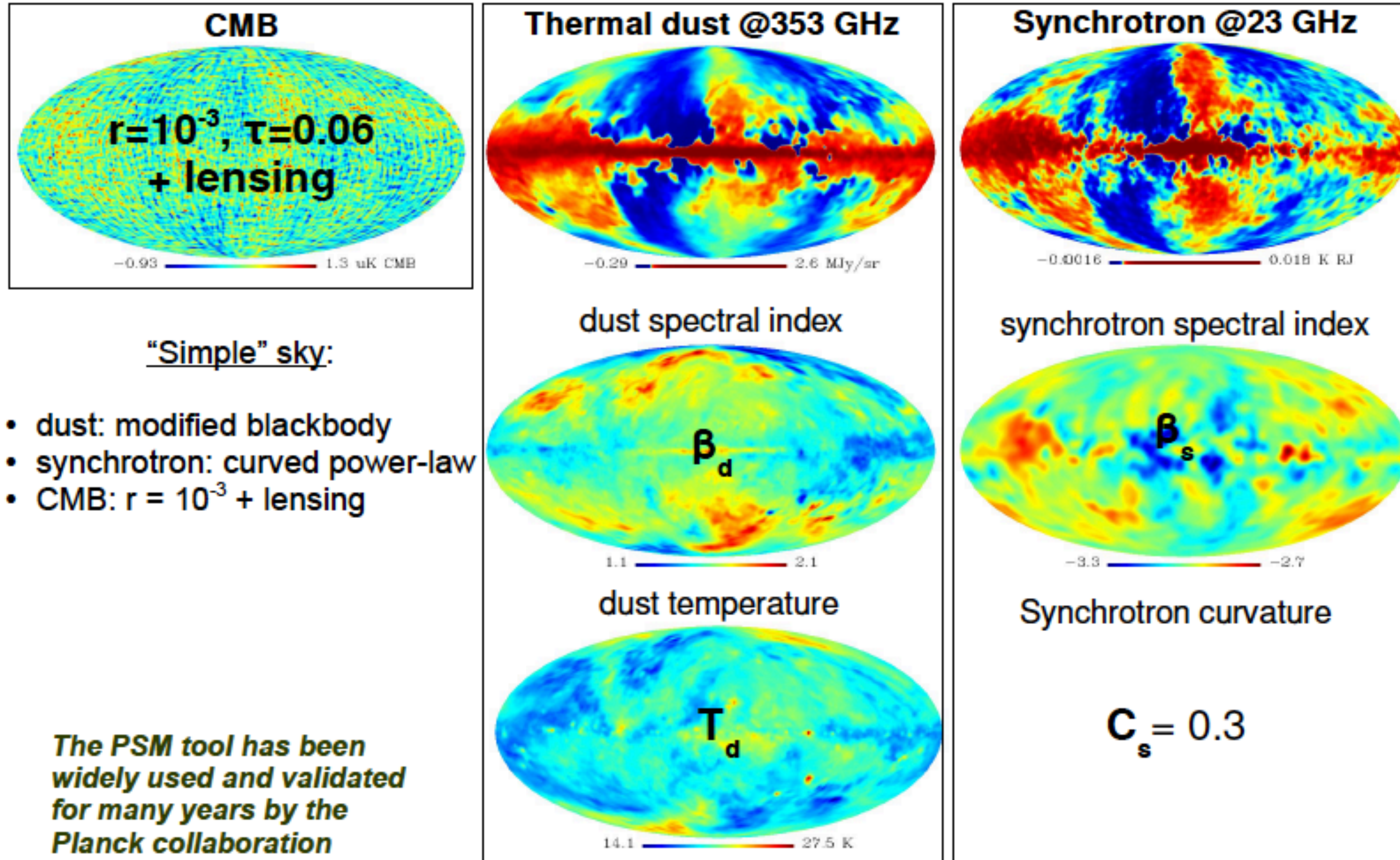
- Phase A (12 months): No I+T
- Phase B – Device Level (12 months):
  - Device level detector testing [Foundries, University Labs] (Slide 3)
- Phase C – Subsystem Level (22 months):
  - Phase C1 (10 months):
    - Cooler qualification (Slide 4)
    - Reflector cryogenic photogrammetry (Slide 4)
  - Phases C2 (12 months):
    - Focal plane + SubK cooler I&T (Slide 5)
- Phase D – System I&T + Launch (18 months)
  - Phase D1 (14 months)
    - Integration of reflectors and focal plane (slide 6)
    - Observatory end-to-end I&T (slide 6)
  - Phase D2 (4 months)
    - Launch Ops





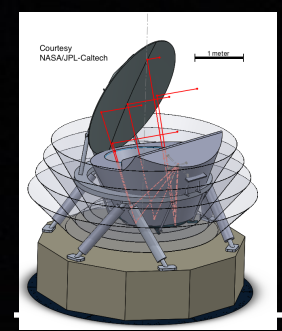
# Commander1

## Sky simulations 1: PSM

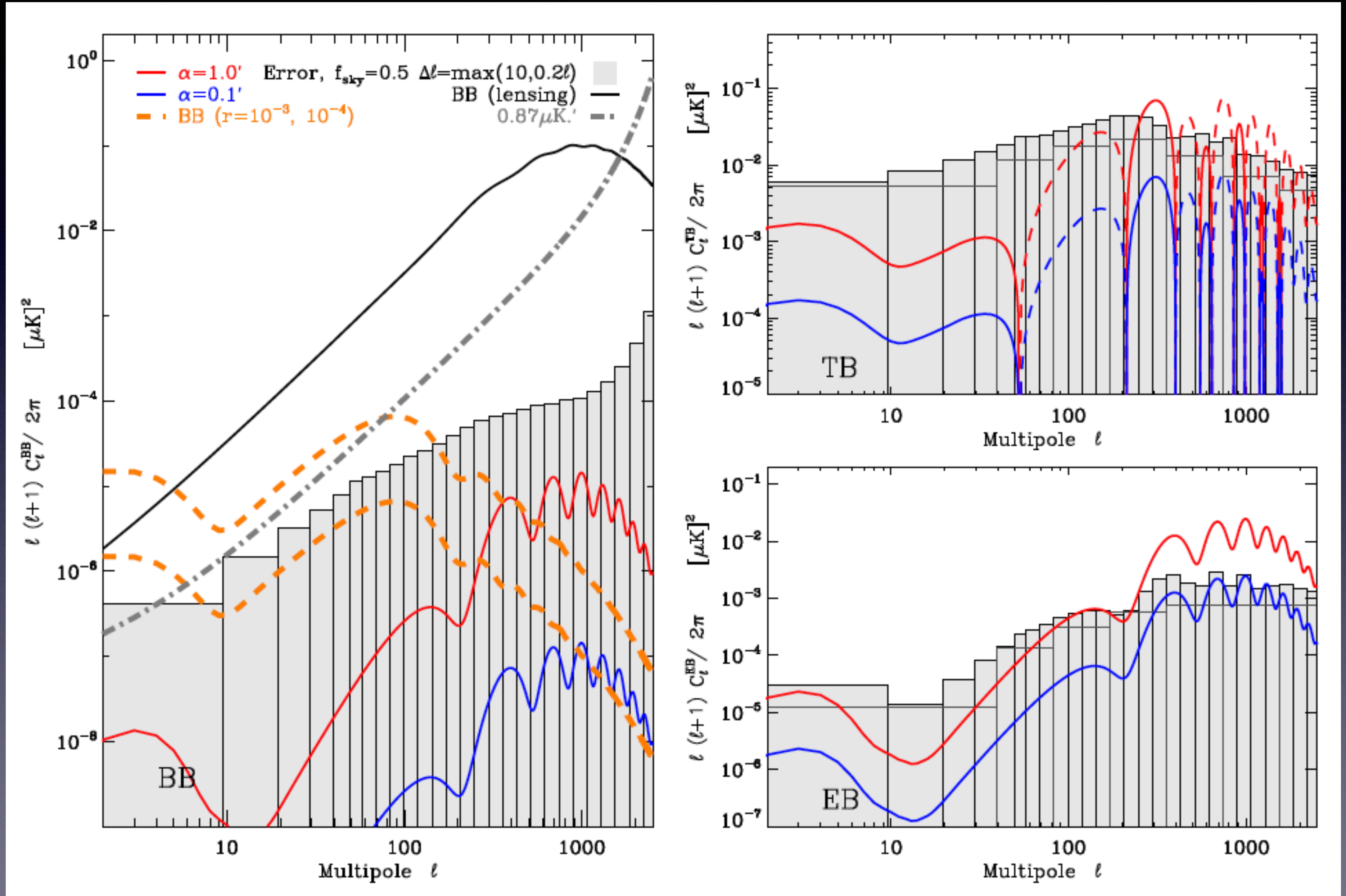


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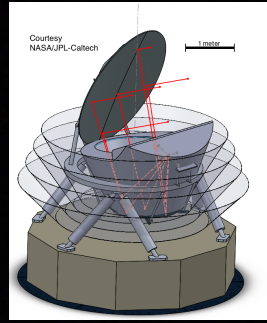




# Systematics - Polarization Rotation







# Delensing

- Iterative delensing post-ILC foreground separation
- Lensing reduction by a factor of  $\sim 7$ :  $A_L = 0.14$
- $S/N > 10$  on lensing potential power spectrum across broad range of  $\ell$

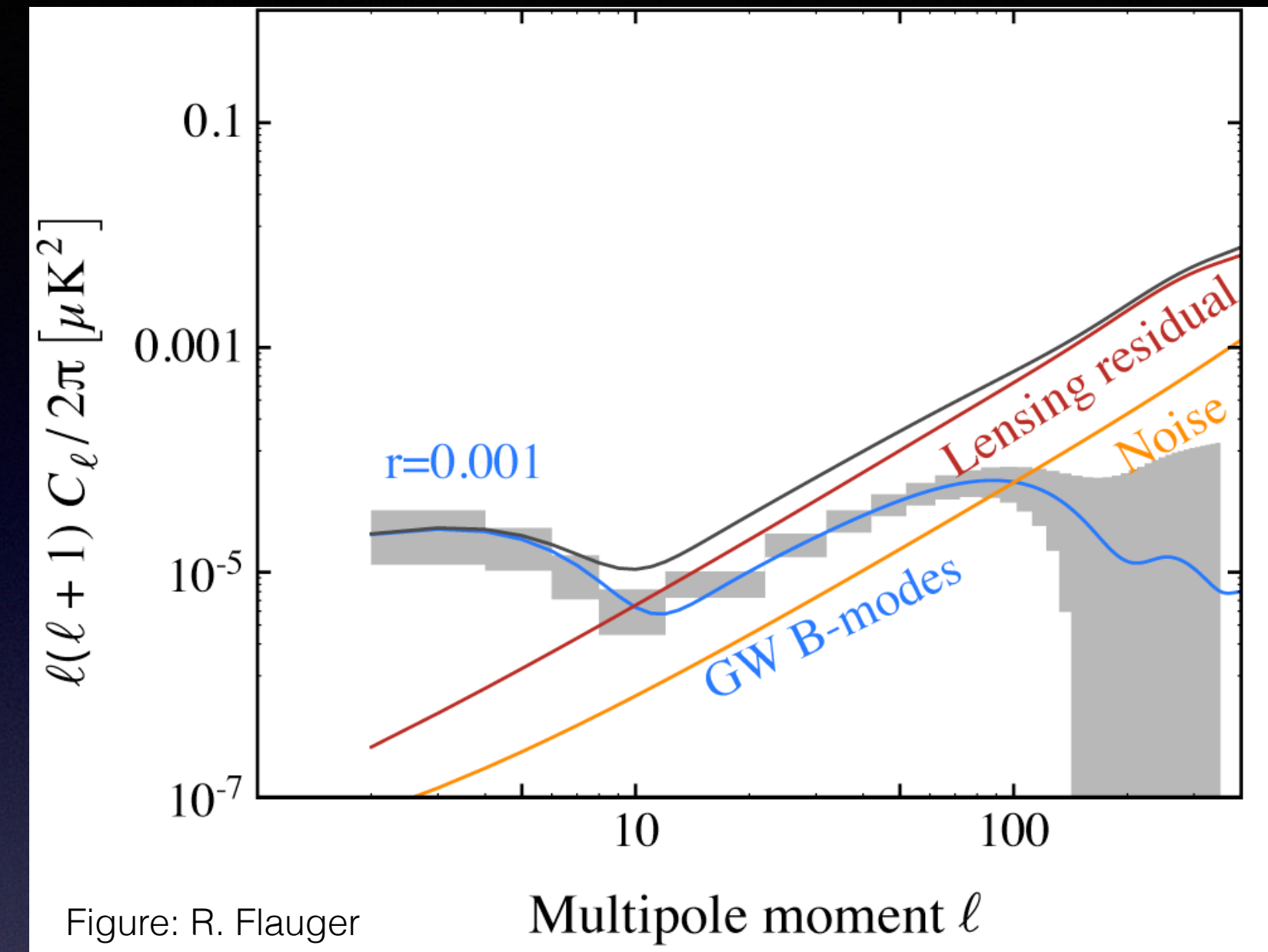
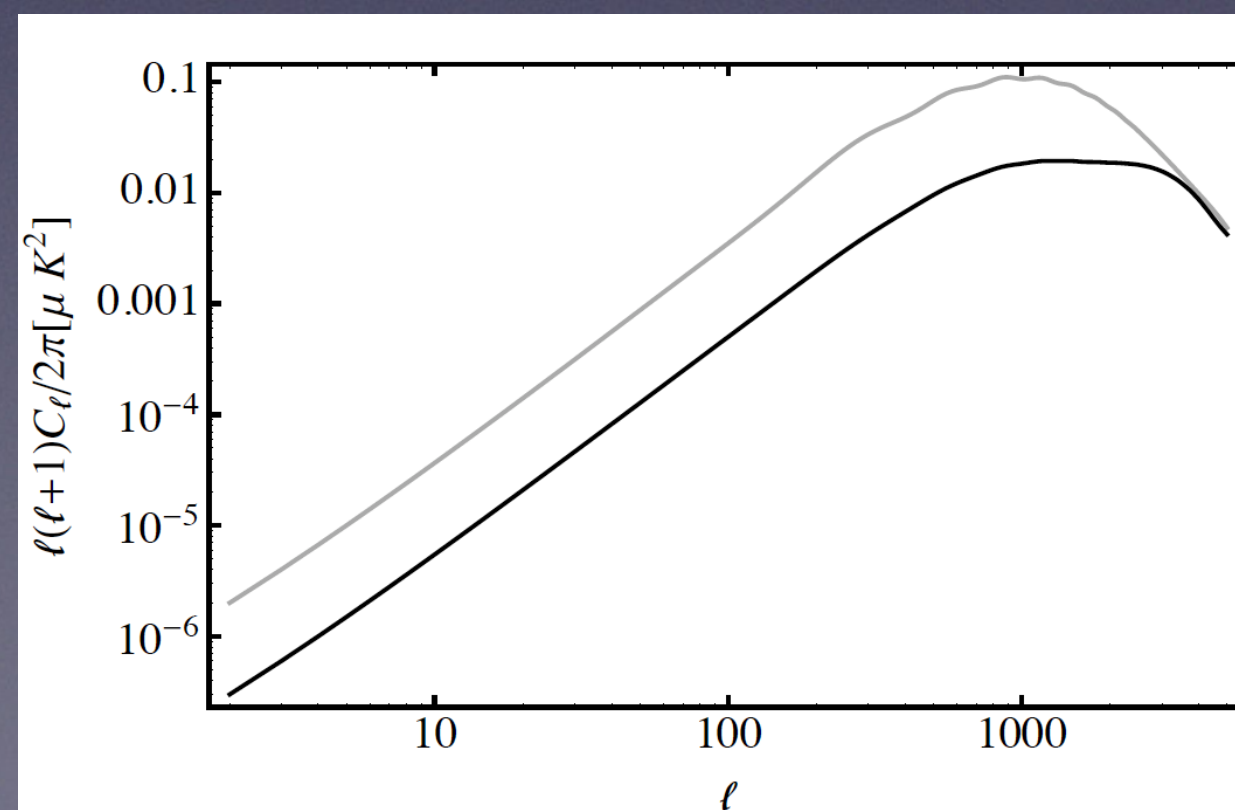


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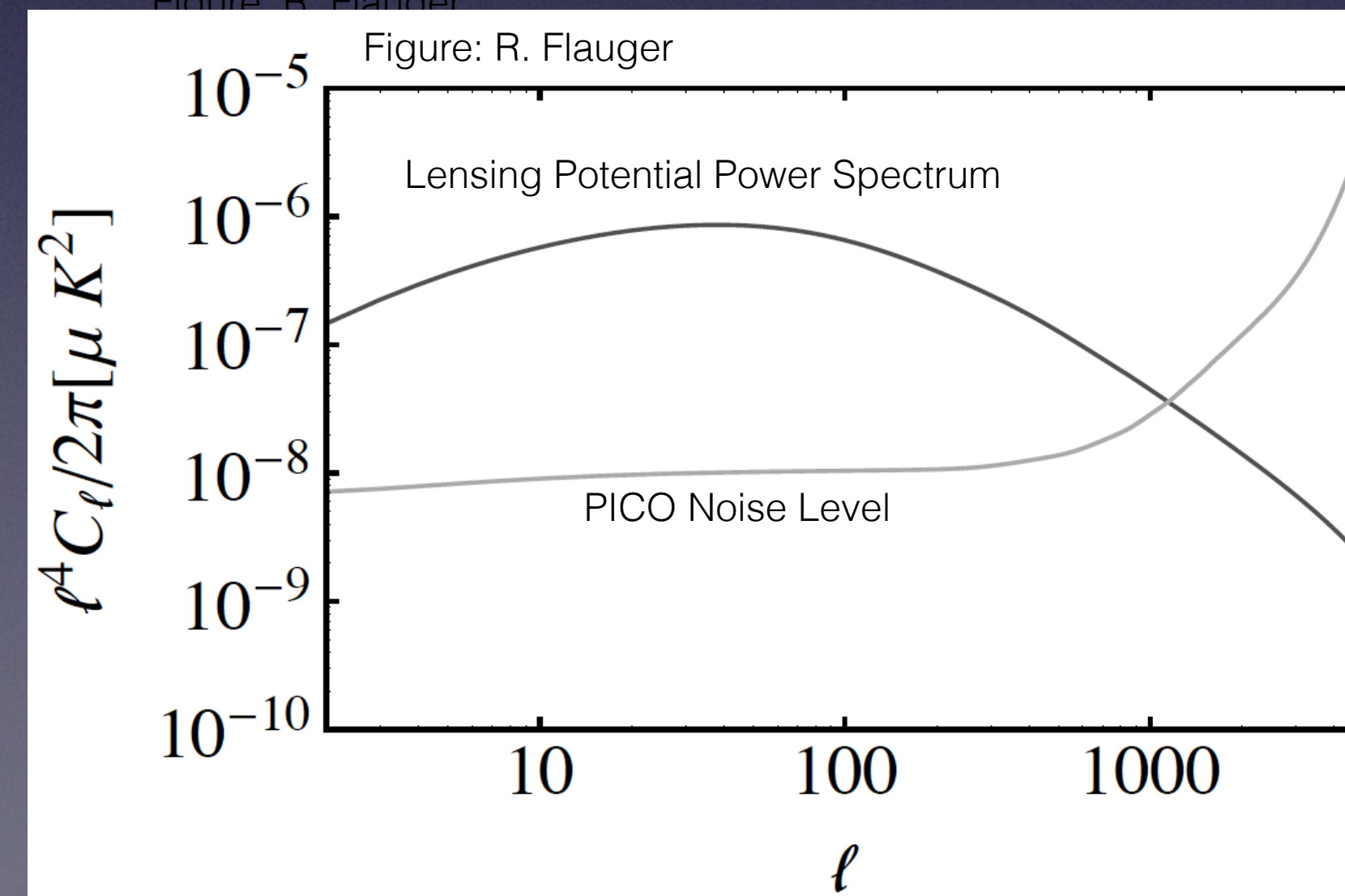
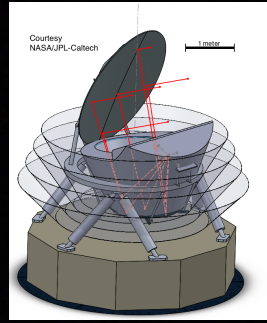


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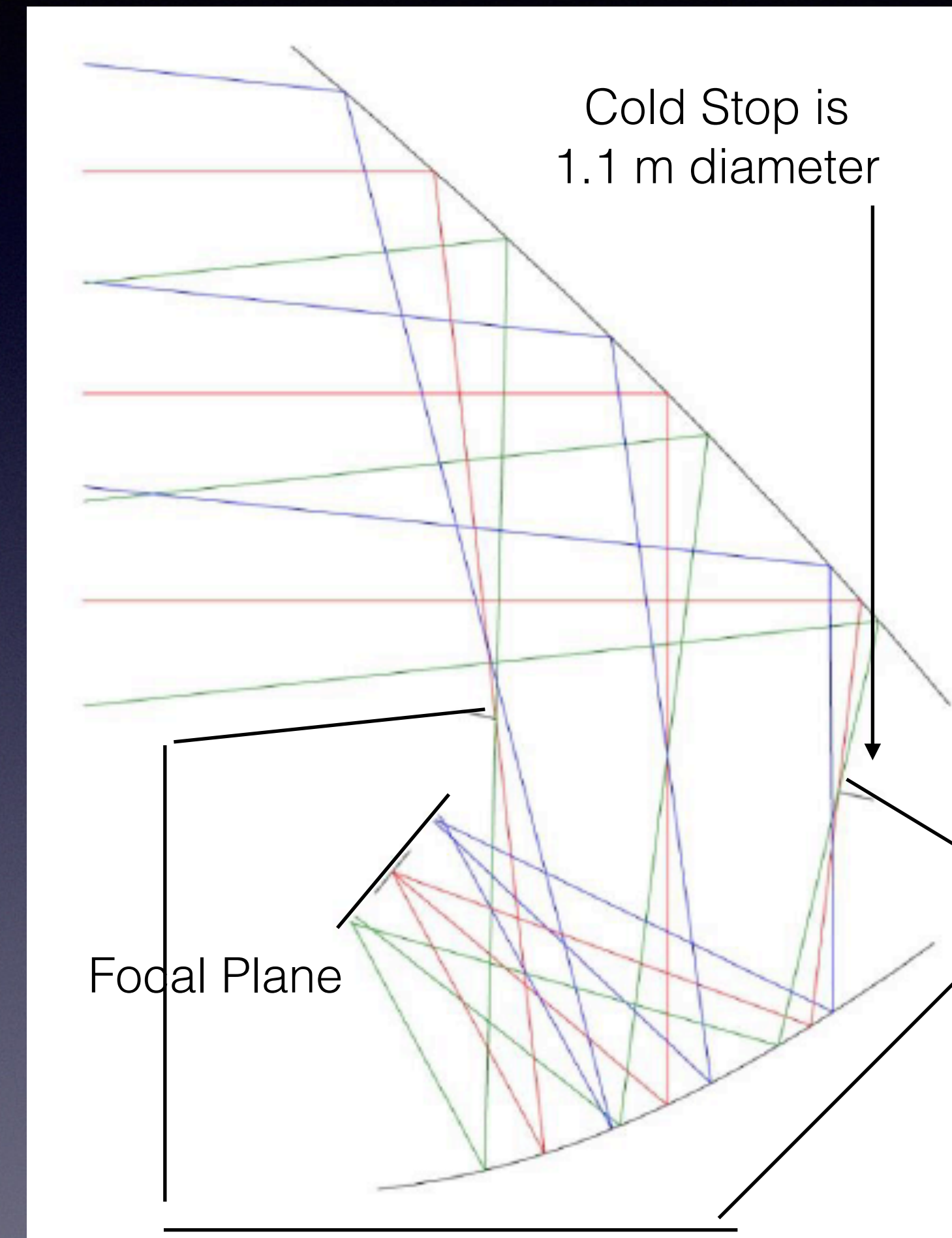
# S4 Inflation Constraints

- Designed to provide detection of  $r > 0.003$
- $r < 0.001$  (95%)
- 3-8% of sky
- $r \geq 0.004$  (5 sigma) in 4 years
- $r \geq 0.003$  (5 sigma) in 8 years



# Optics + Cooling

- Open Dragone Telescope
  - No direct view to sky
  - No three-reflection sidelobe
  - Cold stop (without cooling primary mirror)
- Design includes enhancement to DLFOV through coma correction
- Primary mirror at  $\sim 40$  K;
- Stop + secondary actively cooled to  $\sim 6$  K;
- Focal plane @  $0.1$  K with cADR





# Spectrometer, Imager, or both?

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- We began by considering which instrument(s) to implement
- The EC concluded that there is strong case for two Probe scale missions, one devoted to spectroscopy and another to imaging
- The EC considered the case for a combined mission and concluded that it will weaken both instruments
- PICO will be given detailed costing as an imaging mission.

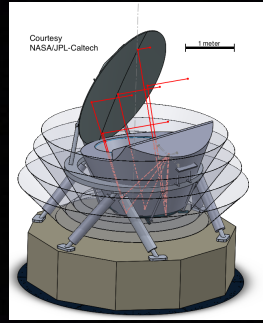


# Decadal Panel 2010: New space Activities - Medium Projects

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- CMB listed as a strategic program (priority 2, after exoplanet searches)
- Sub-orbital program to continue search for the B-mode signal
- Continued investment in technology development
- “A successful detection of B-modes from inflation could trigger a mid-decade shift in focus toward preparing to map them over the entire sky.”
- “Wait and see what we learn from Planck”

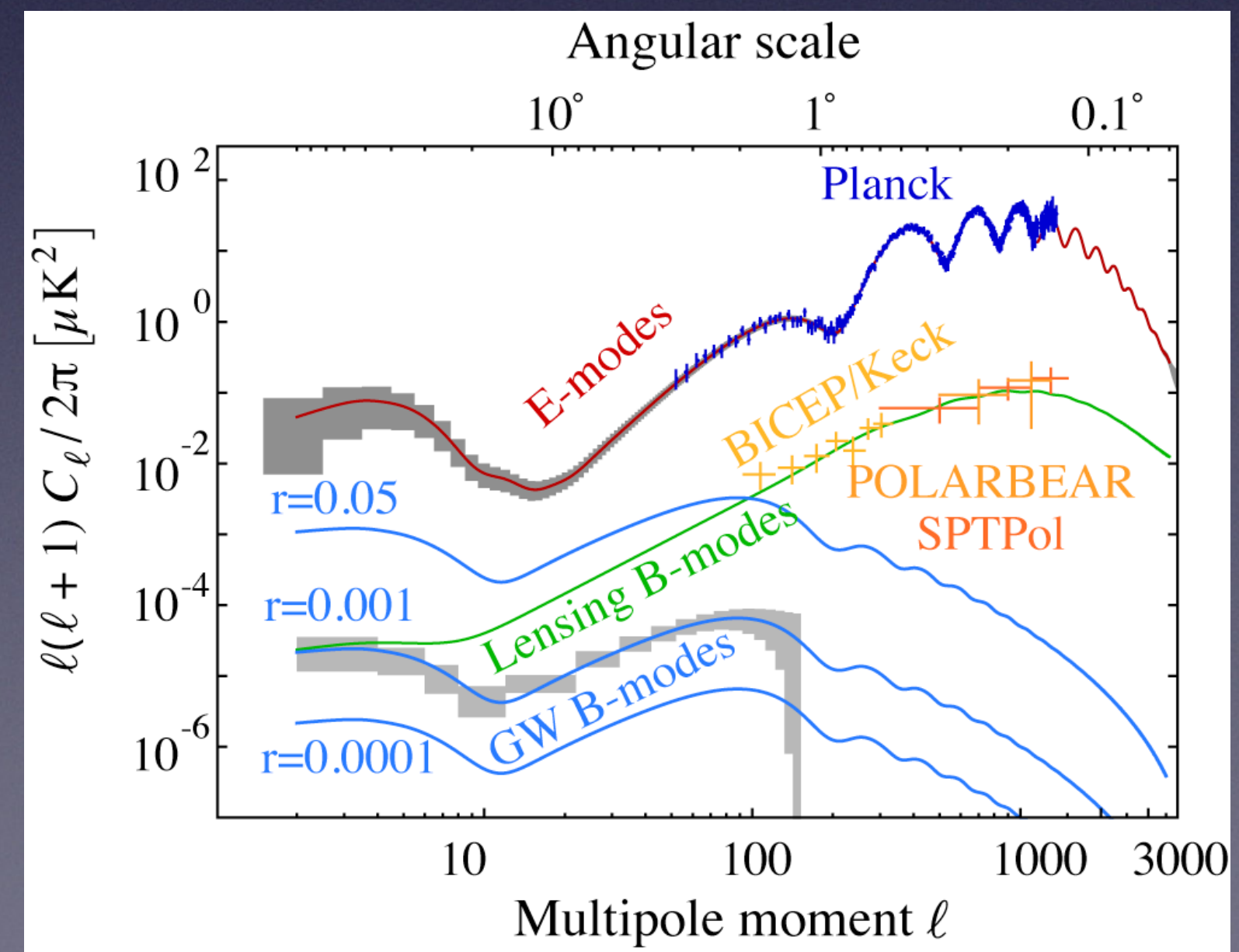
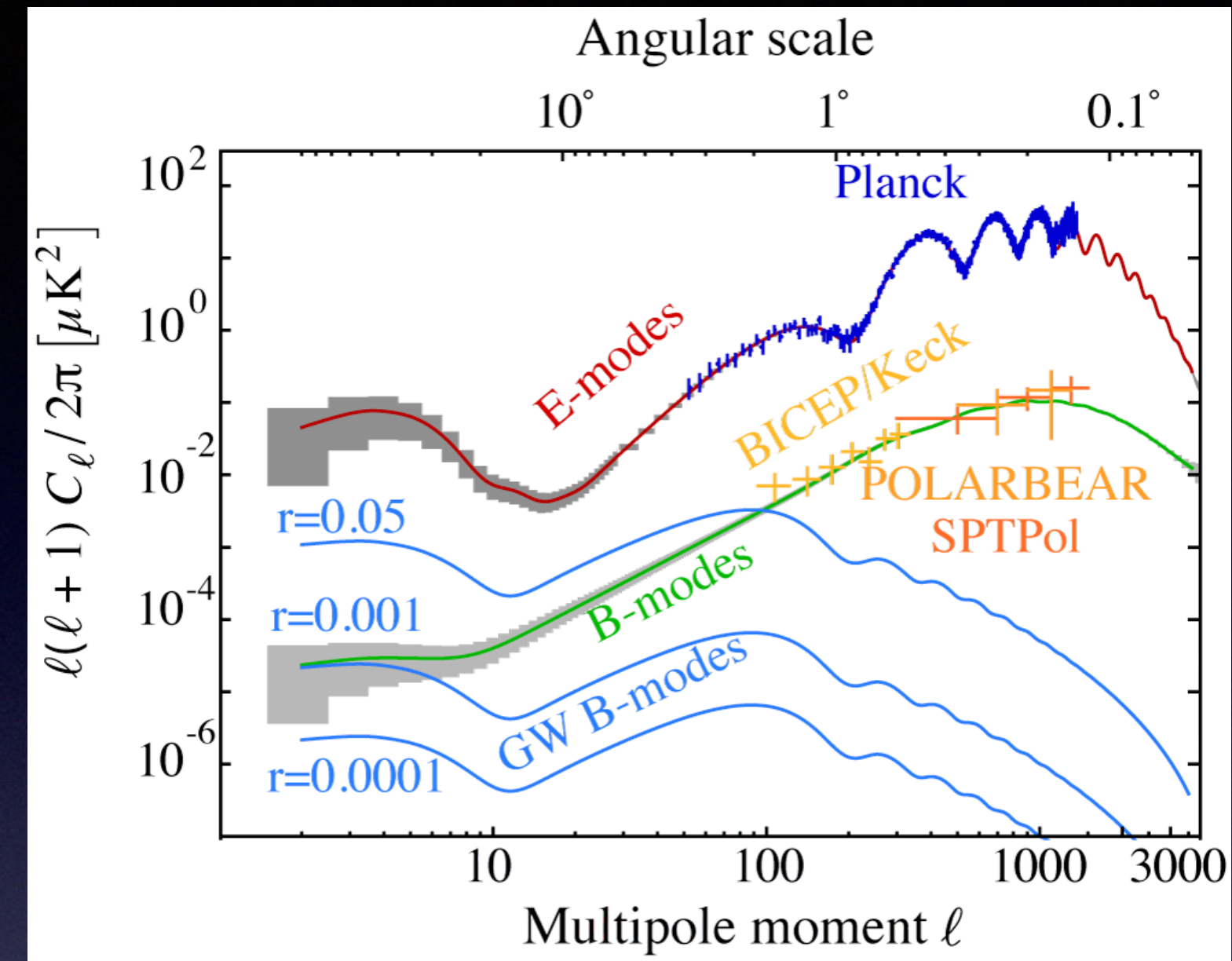




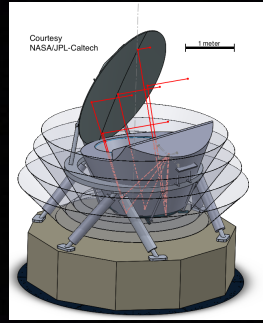
# PICO and Sub-Orbital CMB Efforts

PICO's capabilities are not matched by any other foreseeable experiment

- Full sky coverage with  $\sim 4'$  resolution (and the same depth S4 has on 5% of the sky)
- Access to the entire range of angular scales of the B-mode signal, including the largest, while maintaining the capability to delens

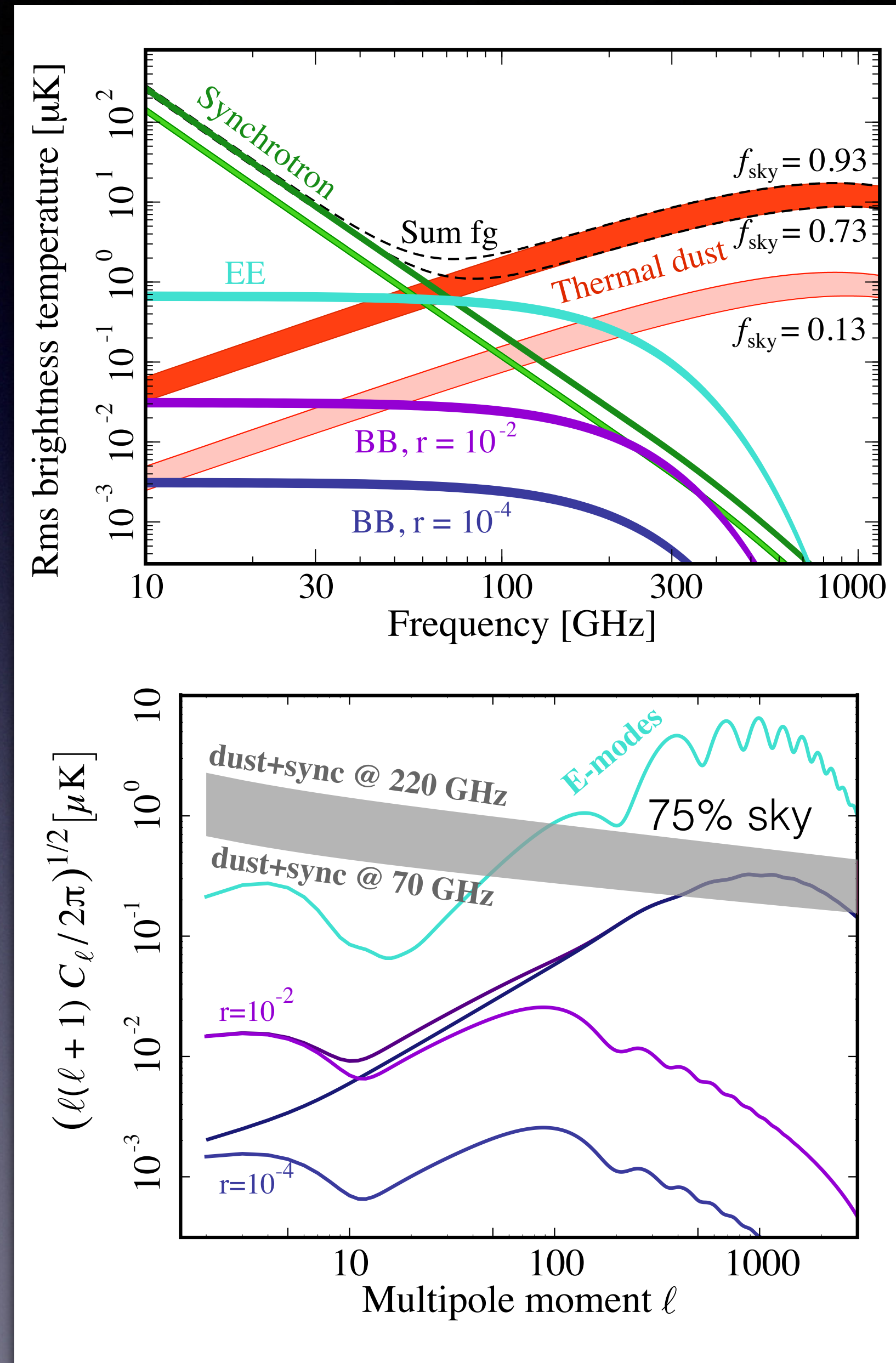




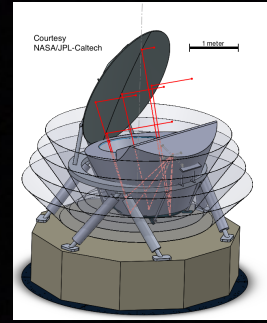


# PICO and Sub-Orbital CMB Efforts

- Unmatched/unmatchable frequency coverage
- Galactic foregrounds are known to overwhelm the cosmological B-mode signal
- Signals are at the nano-K level: even low level of residual foregrounds can bias the measurement
- Space gives the most systematic-error-robust platform
- Signals are at the nano-K level

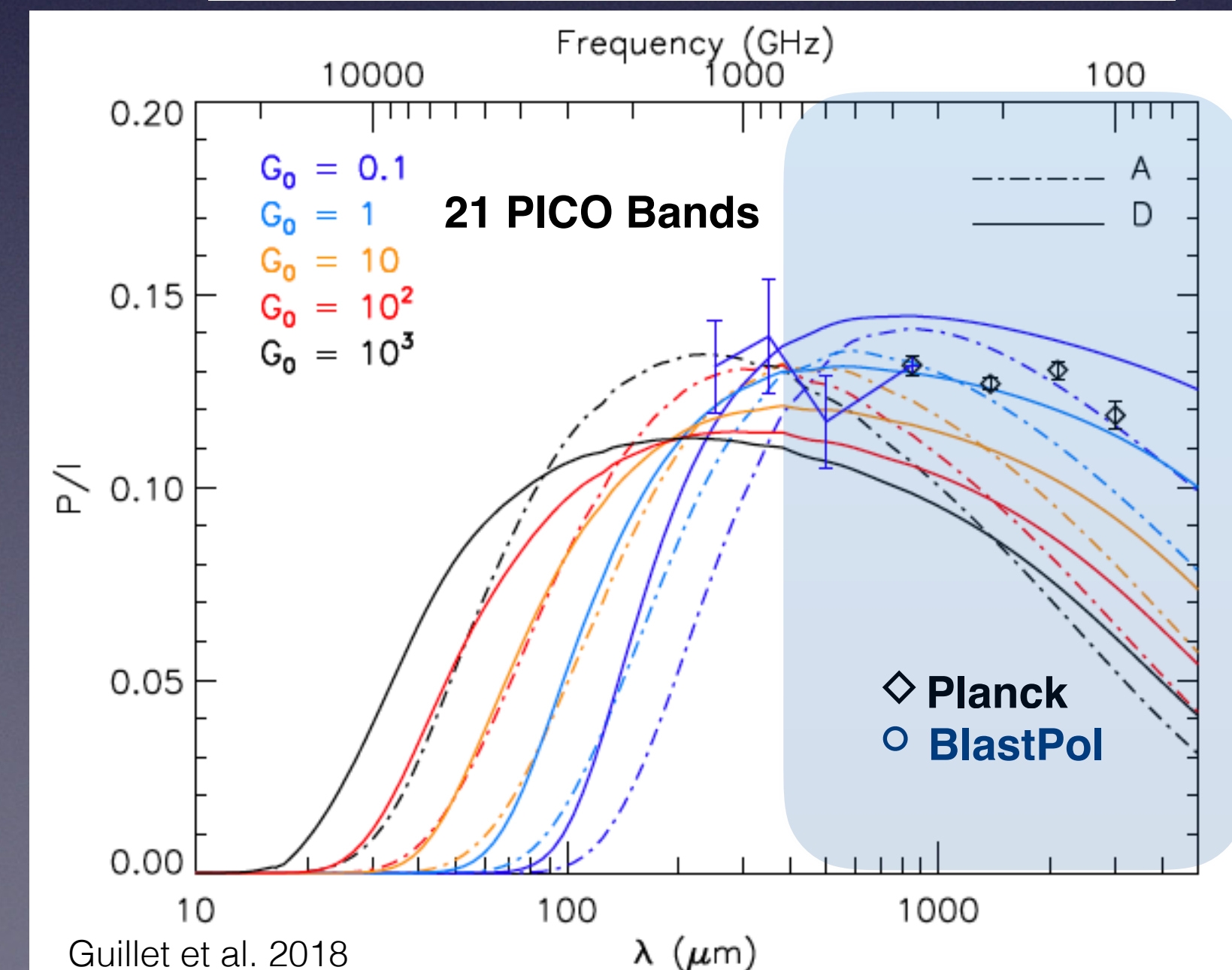
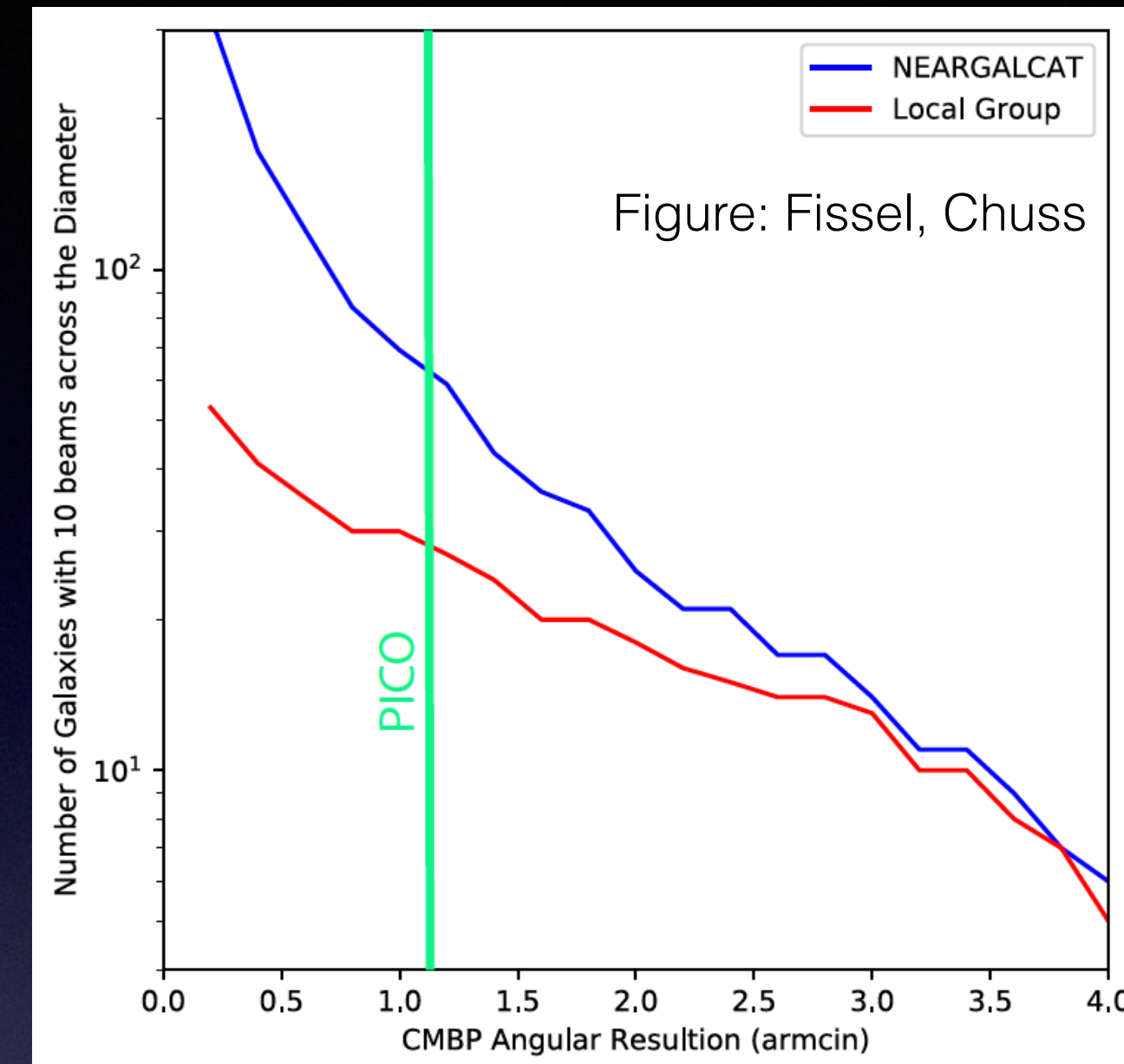




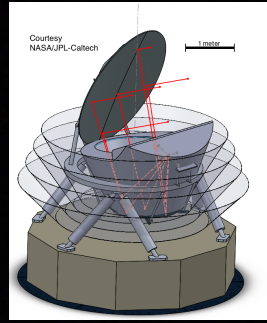


# Is the Milky Way Typical? Dust in Milky Way

- Map sub-mm emission from the ISM in 70 nearby galaxies
- Only handful mapped to date.
- Constrain the shape and composition of interstellar dust grains







# Simple Foreground Model

- 2 component dust model (a-la Finkbeiner et al)
- Synchrotron with power law frequency dependence
- $\ell$  dependence consistent with Planck and WMAP
- Includes correlation between dust and synchrotron, consistent with current data
- Model does not include:
  - spatial variation of the spectral index
  - spatial variation of dust temperature
- Foreground separation based on ILC
- 40% of sky (70% of sky reduces  $\sigma(r)$ )

