

# ***Testing inflation with Planck***

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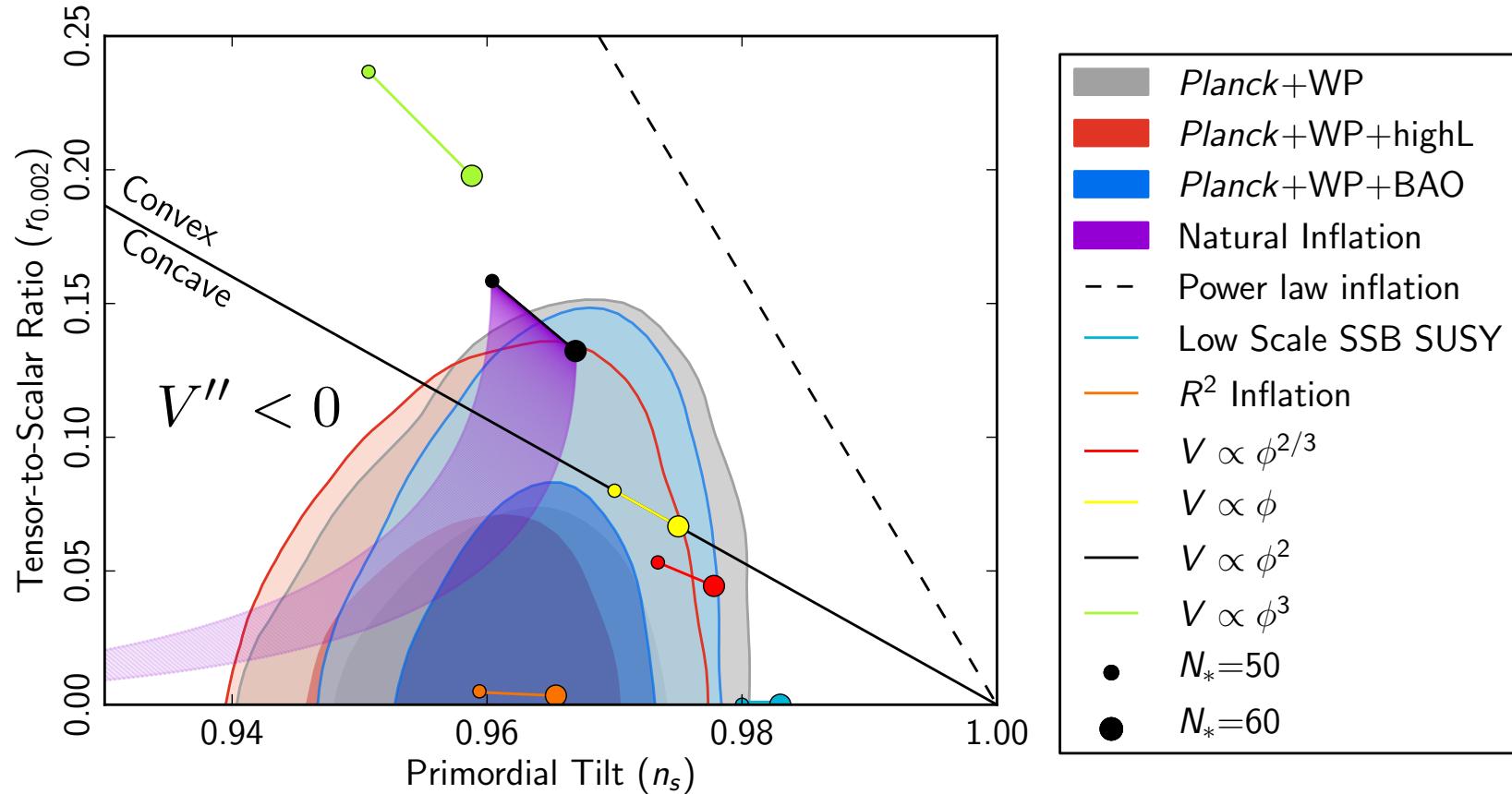
**Planck 2013 Results XXII: Constraints on Inflation**

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# Constraints on slow roll models: $n_s$ - $r$ parameterization



$\text{Planck+WP}: n_s = 0.9603 \pm 0.0073 \quad r_{0.002} < 0.12 \text{ (95\% CL)}$

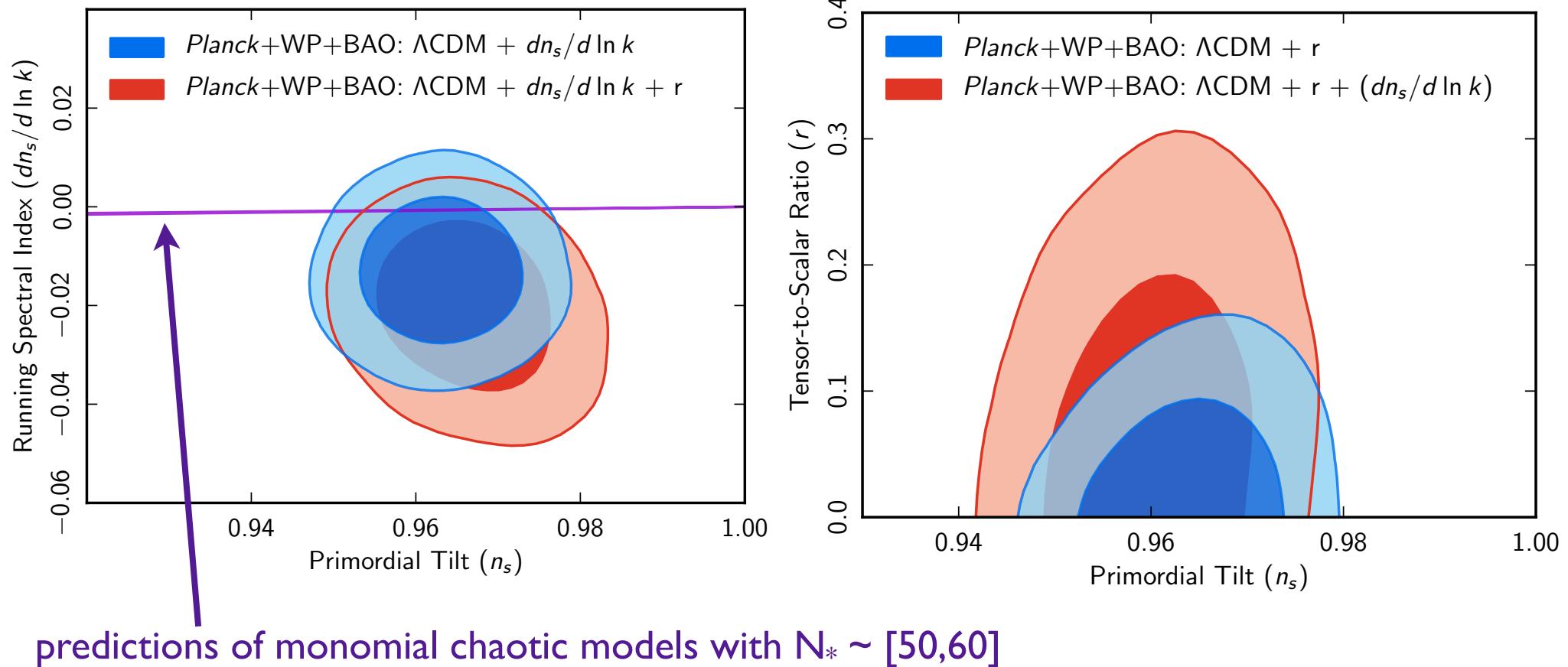
Energy scale of inflation:  $V_* < (1.94 \times 10^{16} \text{ GeV})^4$

# Ruling out exact scale invariance

	HZ	HZ + $Y_p$	HZ + $N_{\text{eff}}$	$\Lambda\text{CDM}$
$10^5 \Omega_b h^2$	$2296 \pm 24$	$2296 \pm 23$	$2285 \pm 23$	$2205 \pm 28$
$10^4 \Omega_c h^2$	$1088 \pm 13$	$1158 \pm 20$	$1298 \pm 43$	$1199 \pm 27$
$100 \theta_{\text{MC}}$	$1.04292 \pm 0.00054$	$1.04439 \pm 0.00063$	$1.04052 \pm 0.00067$	$1.04131 \pm 0.00063$
$\tau$	$0.125^{+0.016}_{-0.014}$	$0.109^{+0.013}_{-0.014}$	$0.105^{+0.014}_{-0.013}$	$0.089^{+0.012}_{-0.014}$
$\ln(10^{10} A_s)$	$3.133^{+0.032}_{-0.028}$	$3.137^{+0.027}_{-0.028}$	$3.143^{+0.027}_{-0.026}$	$3.089^{+0.024}_{-0.027}$
$n_s$	—	—	—	$0.9603 \pm 0.0073$
$N_{\text{eff}}$	—	—	$3.98 \pm 0.19$	—
$Y_p$	—	$0.3194 \pm 0.013$	—	—
$-2\Delta \ln(\mathcal{L}_{\text{max}})$	27.9	2.2	2.8	0

- HZ model disfavored by  $-2 \Delta \ln L \sim 28$
- Main degeneracies:  $Y_p$  and  $N_{\text{eff}}$  (effect on damping tail mimics tilt)
- Requires helium fraction incompatible with direct astrophysical measurements + standard BBN / or needs extra relativistic d.o.f.
- With BAO,  $-2 \Delta \ln L \sim 39$  (HZ), 4.6 (HZ+ $Y_p$ ), 8.0 (HZ +  $N_{\text{eff}}$ )

# **Extending the primordial parameter set: running**



- Constraints pivot-dependent; shown at decorrelation scale  $k=0.04 \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$ .

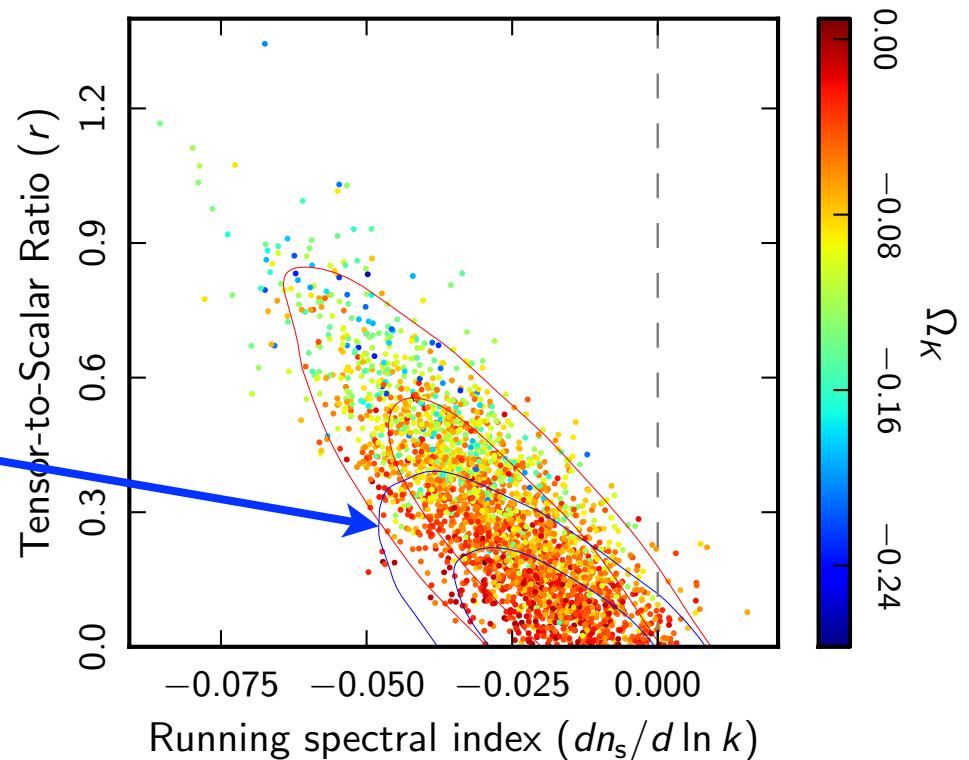
**Planck+WP:**  $dn_s/d \ln k = -0.013 \pm 0.009$

# Extending the primordial parameter set: curvature

- Simplest inflationary models predict  $|\Omega_K| < 10^{-5}$
- Open inflation (e.g. bubble nucleation, landscape) can predict larger **negative** spatial curvature,  $\mathcal{O}(10^{-4})$ ;
- positive curvature (closed universe) much harder to get in inflationary paradigm.

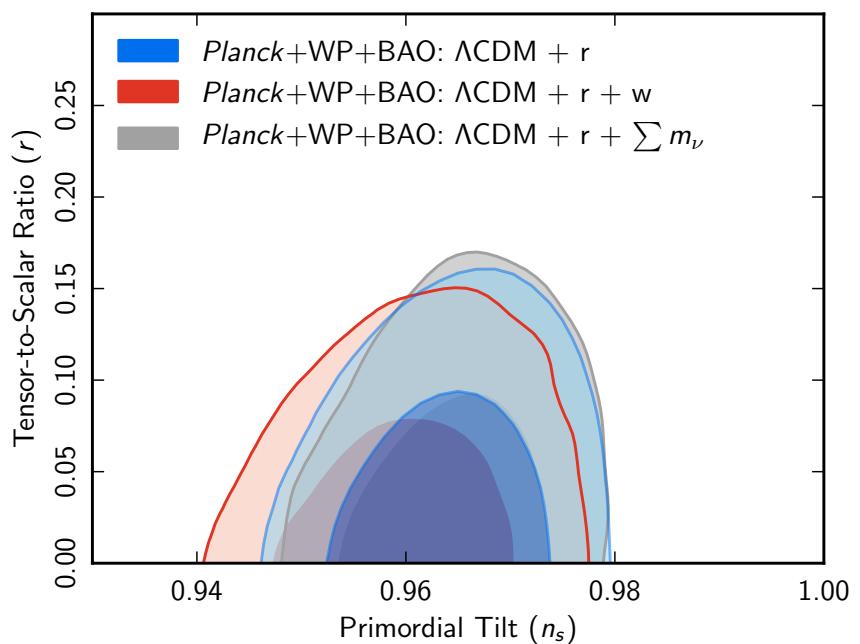
$$\Omega_K = -0.0004 \pm 0.0036$$

(Planck+WP+BAO)

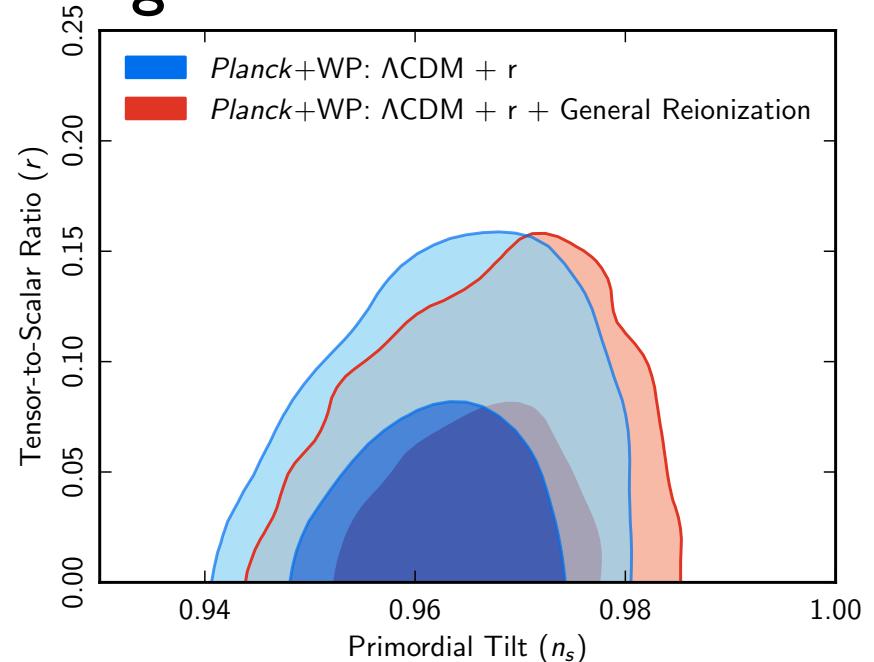


# **Robustness to cosmological model**

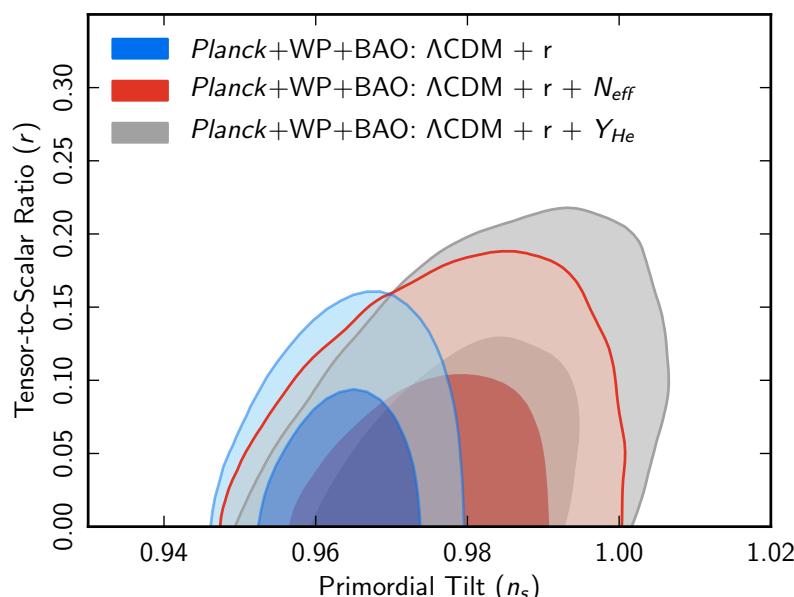
dark energy,  $\nu$  mass



general reionization

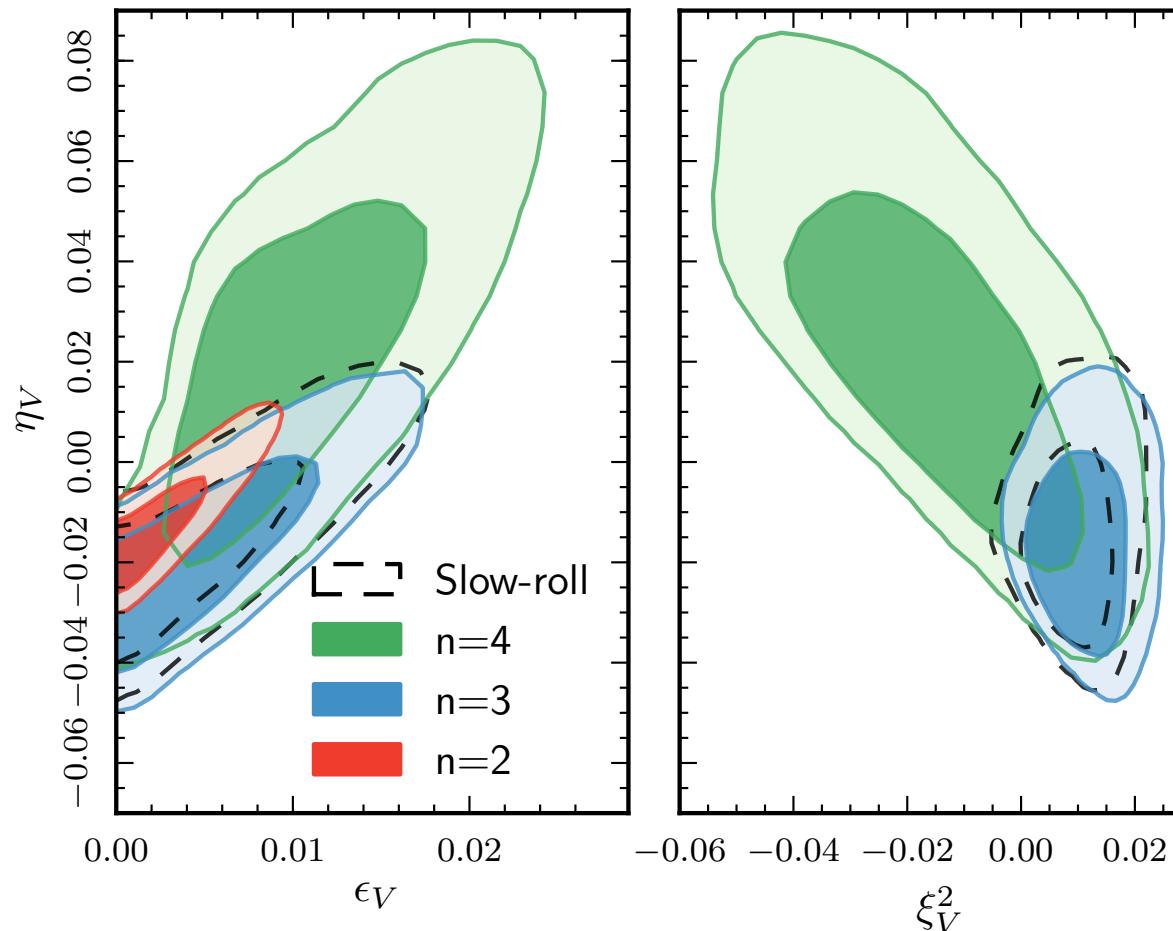


$N_{\text{eff}}, Y_{\text{He}}$

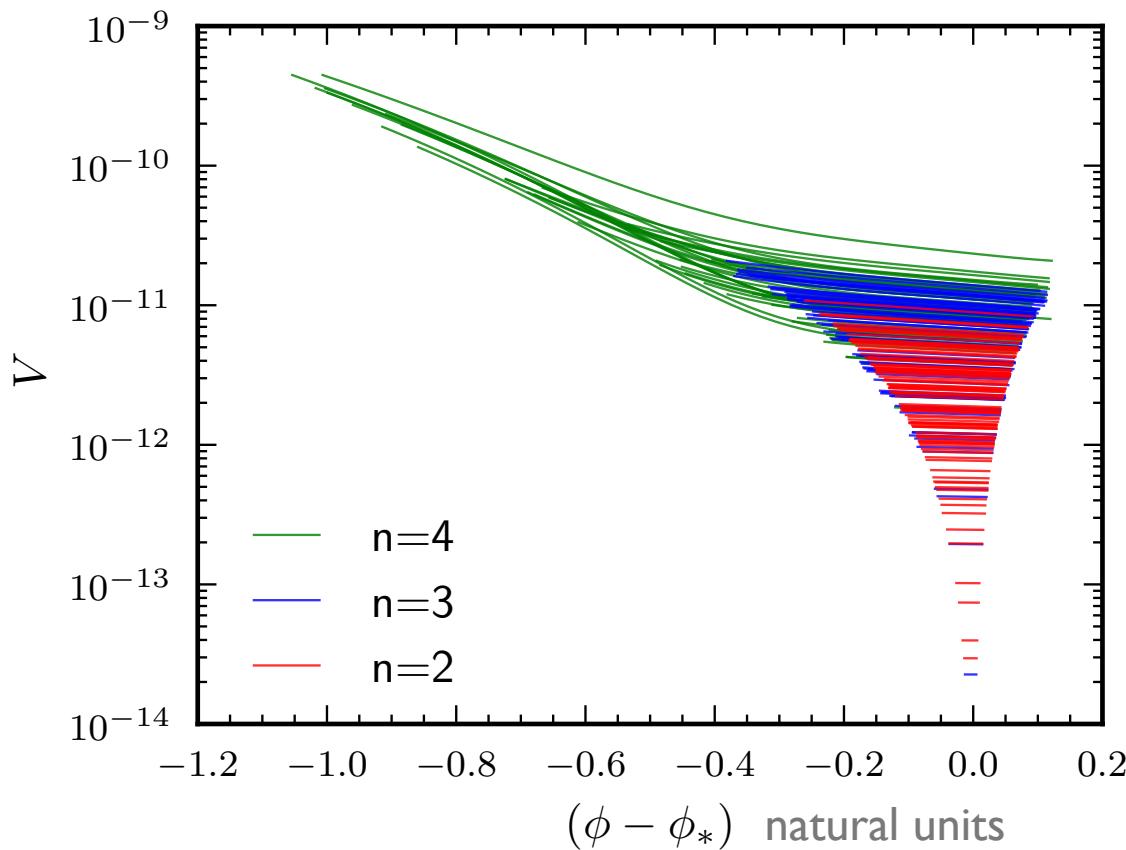


# **Observable window of inflation**

- Taylor expansion of  $V(\varphi)$  in polynomials of order  $n=2,3,4$  about  $\varphi_*$  ; uniform priors on (potential) slow roll parameters
- Direct numerical integration of modes (no slow roll approx); Consider few e-folds before and after observable window



# Potential reconstruction in observable window



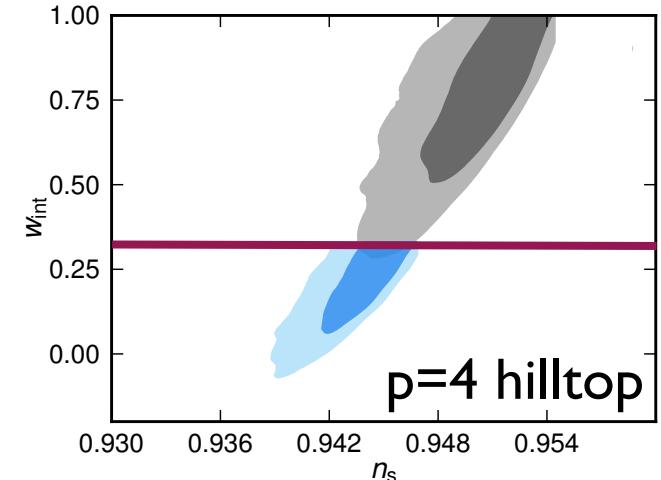
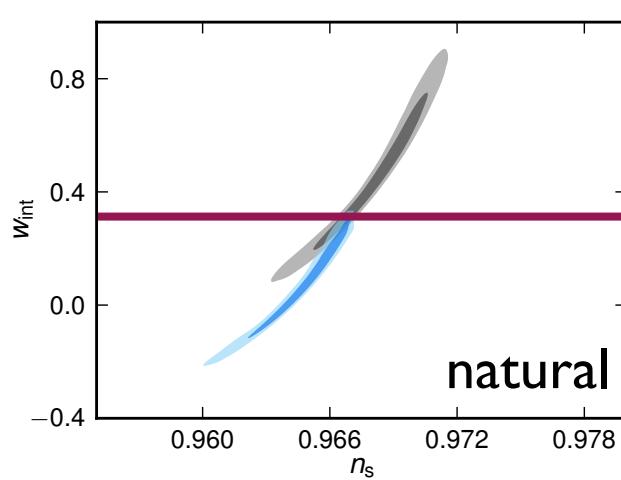
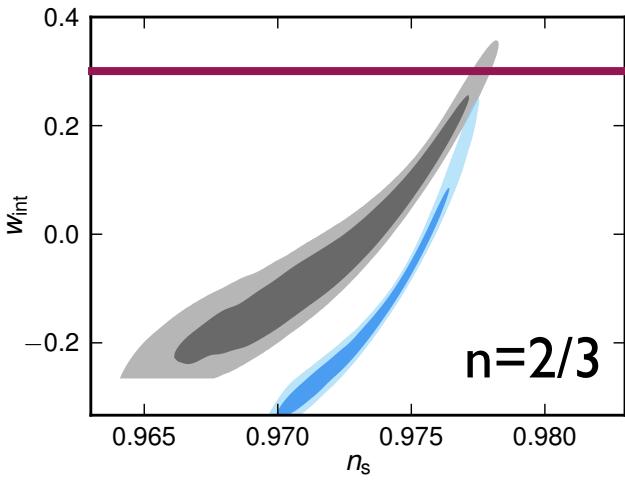
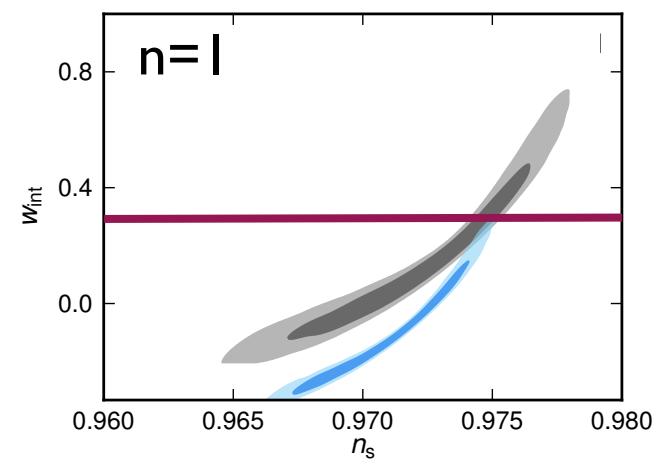
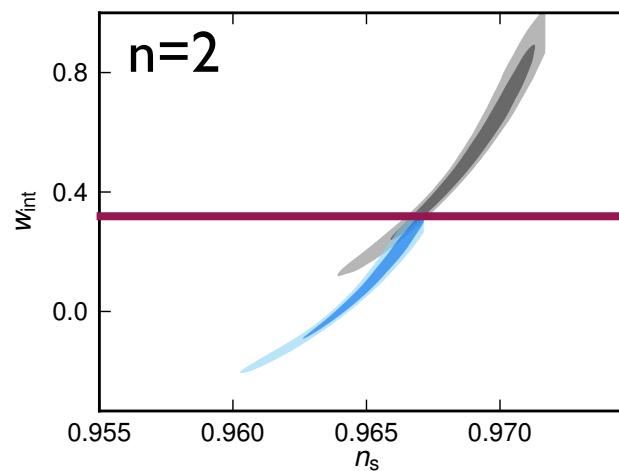
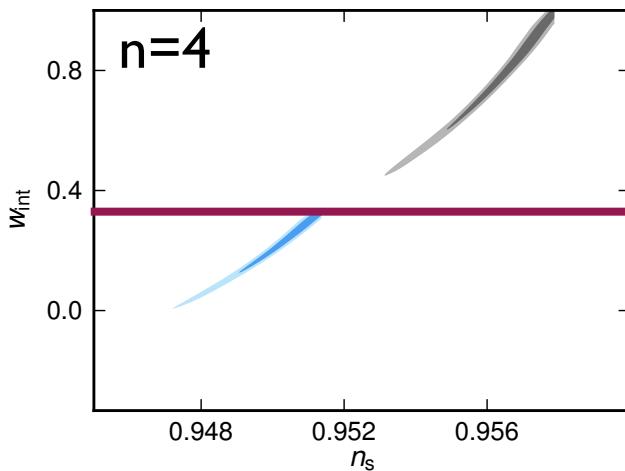
- Preference for concave potentials
- $n=4$  case exhibits running of running (acts to resolve low ell tension)
- sparsity of potentials with low  $V_0$  reflects flat prior on  $V_0$  rather than  $\ln(V_0)$

# **Testing a subset of the inflationary zoo: priors**

- Potential parameters are mass scales in particle physics; leads to logarithmic priors
- Evaluate models on equal footing by requiring amplitude of primordial fluctuations within 2 orders of mag of observations.
- **Reheating:** uniform prior on number of e-folds; accept models that achieve thermalisation by a given **energy scale**, plus **effective post-inflationary equation of state** within specified range.

$$N_* \approx 71.21 - \ln \left( \frac{k_*}{a_0 H_0} \right) + \frac{1}{4} \ln \left( \frac{V_{\text{hor}}}{M_{\text{pl}}^4} \right) + \frac{1}{4} \ln \left( \frac{V_{\text{hor}}}{\rho_{\text{end}}} \right) + \frac{1 - 3w_{\text{int}}}{12(1 + w_{\text{int}})} \ln \left( \frac{\rho_{\text{rh}}}{\rho_{\text{end}}} \right)$$

# Constraints on post-inflationary epoch



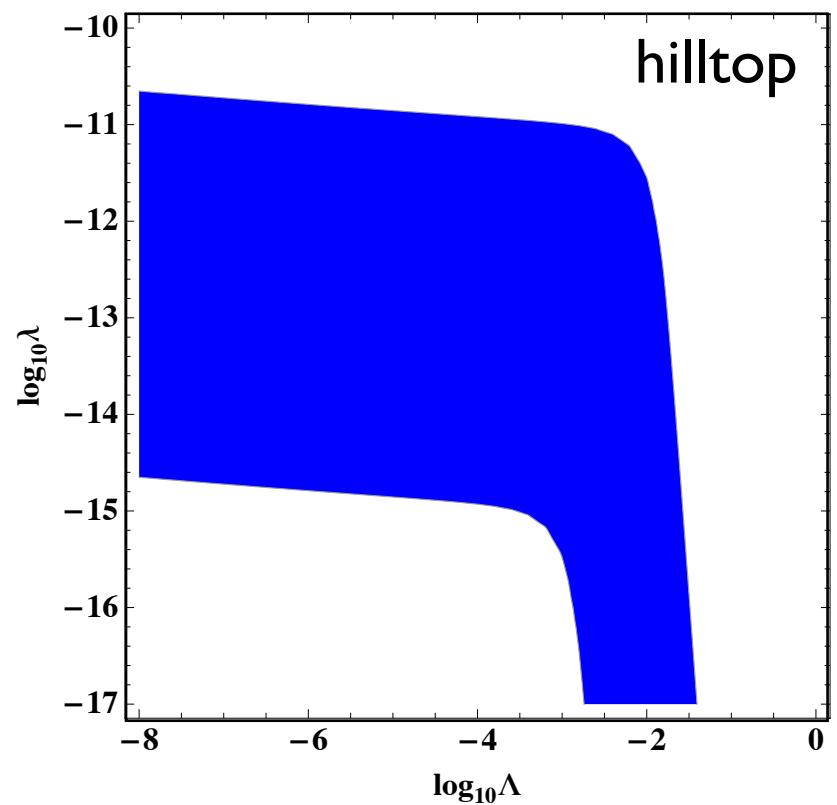
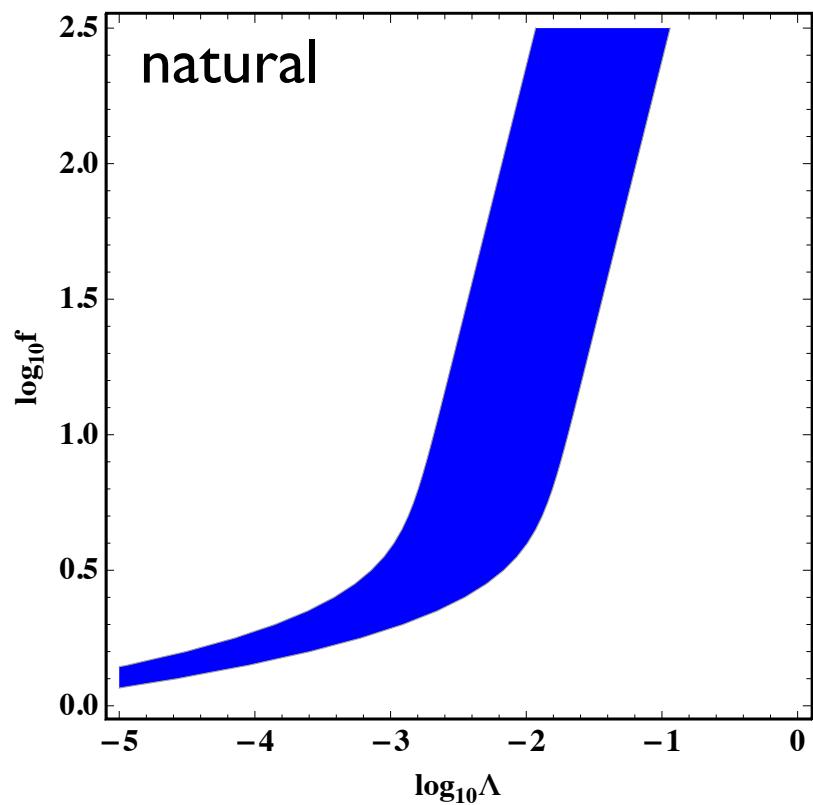
restrictive entropy generation

$$\rho_{\text{th}}^{1/4} = 10^9 \text{ GeV} \quad w_{\text{int}} \in [-1/3, 1/3]$$

permissive entropy generation

$$\rho_{\text{th}}^{1/4} = 10^3 \text{ GeV} \quad w_{\text{int}} \in [-1/3, 1]$$

# Constraints on specific models: examples I

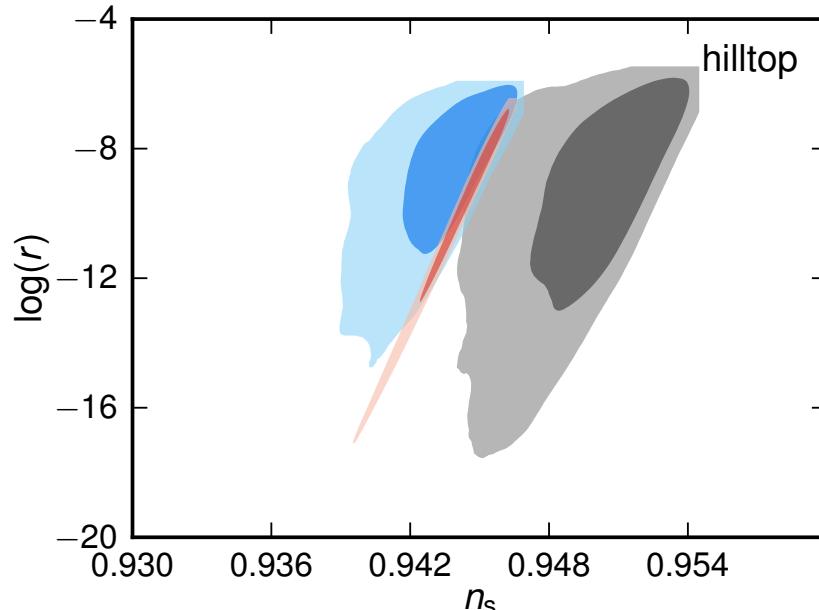
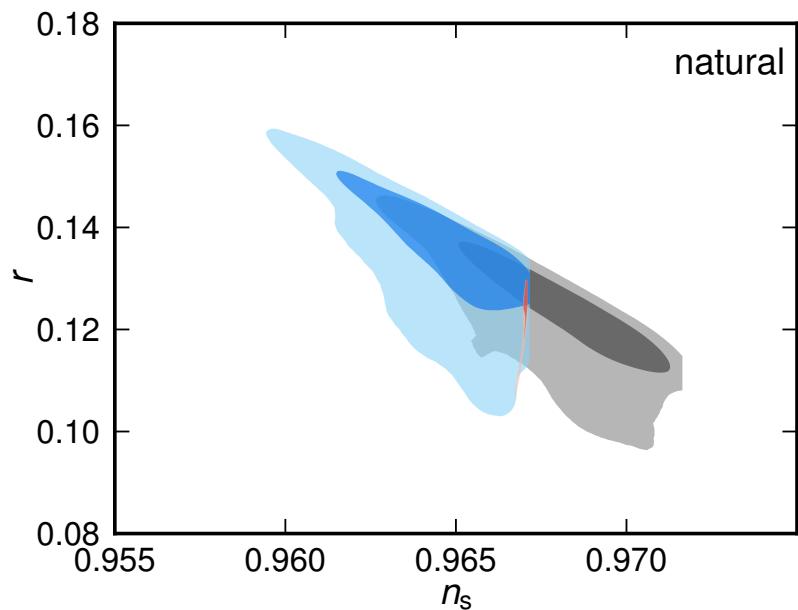
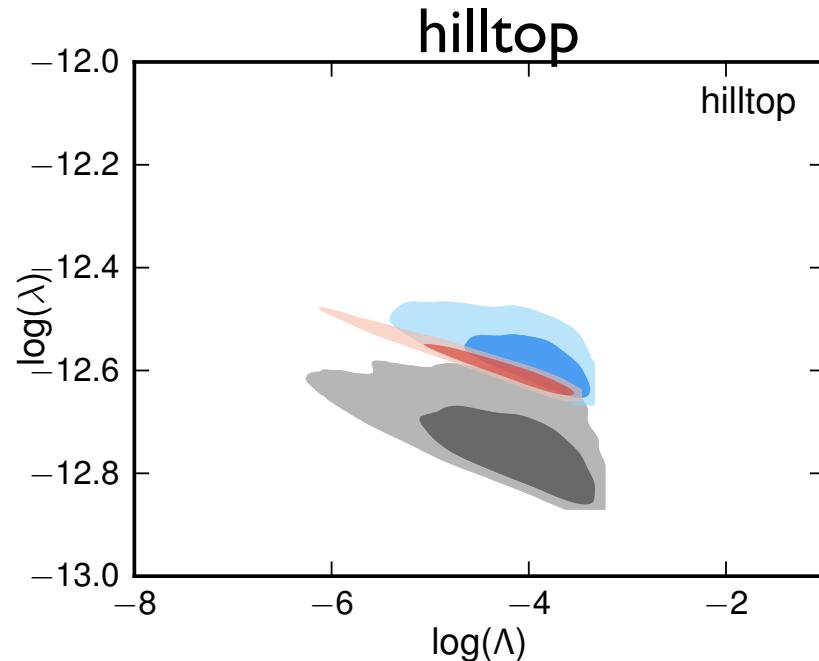
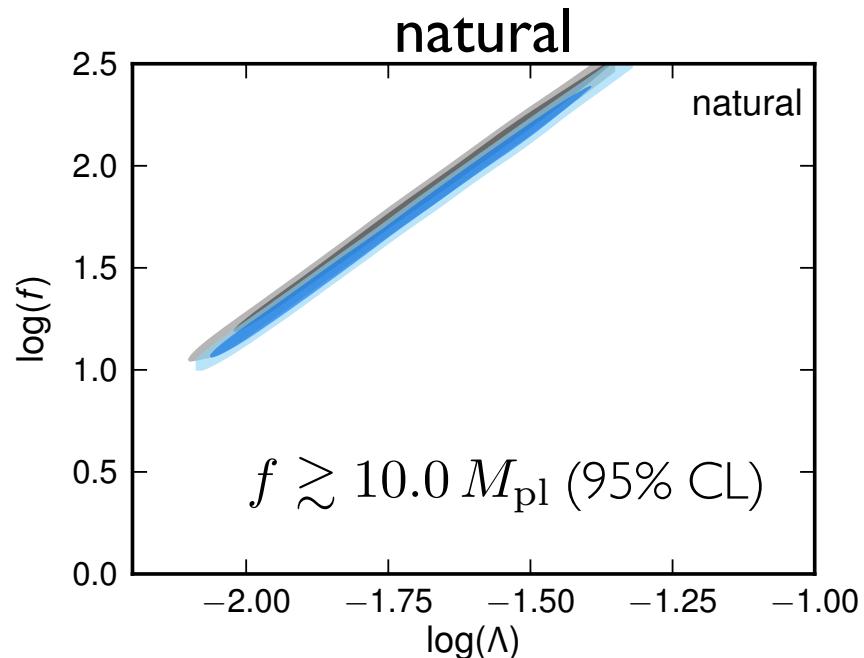


$$V(\phi) = \Lambda^4 \left[ 1 + \cos \left( \frac{\phi}{f} \right) \right]$$

$$V(\phi) = \Lambda^4 - \frac{\lambda}{4} \phi^4$$

natural units in reduced Planck mass

# Constraints on specific models: examples II



instant / restrictive / permissive entropy generation

# **Reminder: parameter estimation vs model comparison**

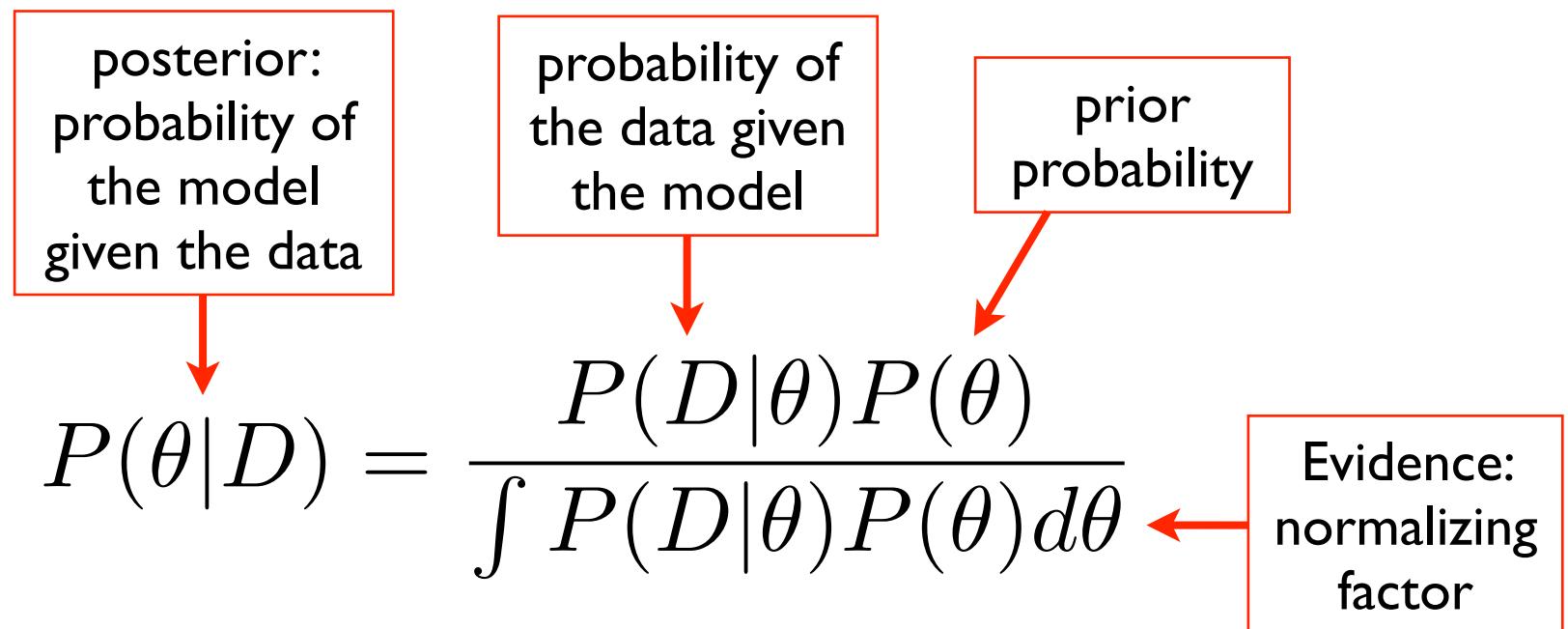
$$P(\theta|D) = \frac{P(D|\theta)P(\theta)}{\int P(D|\theta)P(\theta)d\theta}$$

posterior: probability of the model given the data

probability of the data given the model

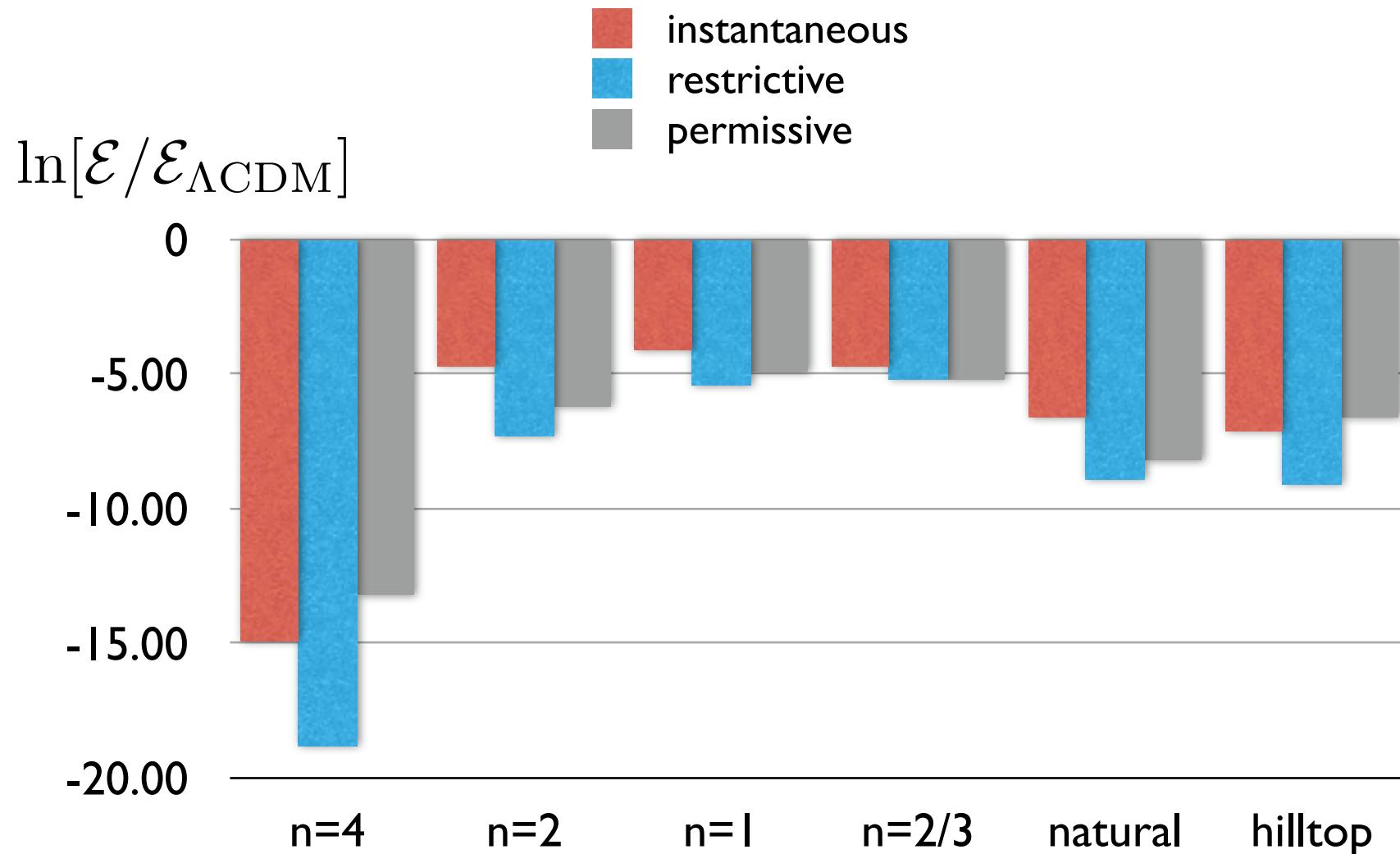
prior probability

Evidence: normalizing factor



**Evidence:** model-averaged likelihood

# Model comparison



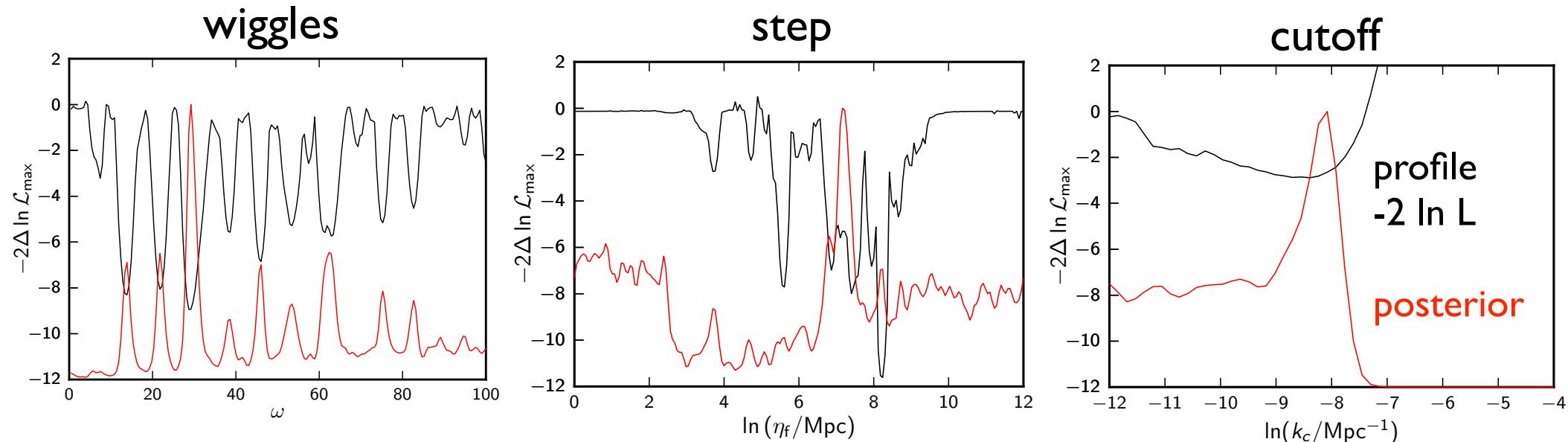
$\ln[\text{evidence ratio}]$  of  $\sim 5$  ( $\sim 150:1$  odds)  
considered **decisive** in this context

# Parametric searches for features in the primordial spectrum

wiggles:  $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}}(k) = \mathcal{P}_0(k) \left\{ 1 + \alpha_w \sin \left[ \omega \ln \left( \frac{k}{k_*} \right) + \varphi \right] \right\}$

step:  $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}}(k) = \exp \left[ \ln \mathcal{P}_0(k) + \frac{\mathcal{A}_f}{3} \frac{k\eta_f/x_d}{\sinh(k\eta_f/x_d)} W'(k\eta_f) \right]$

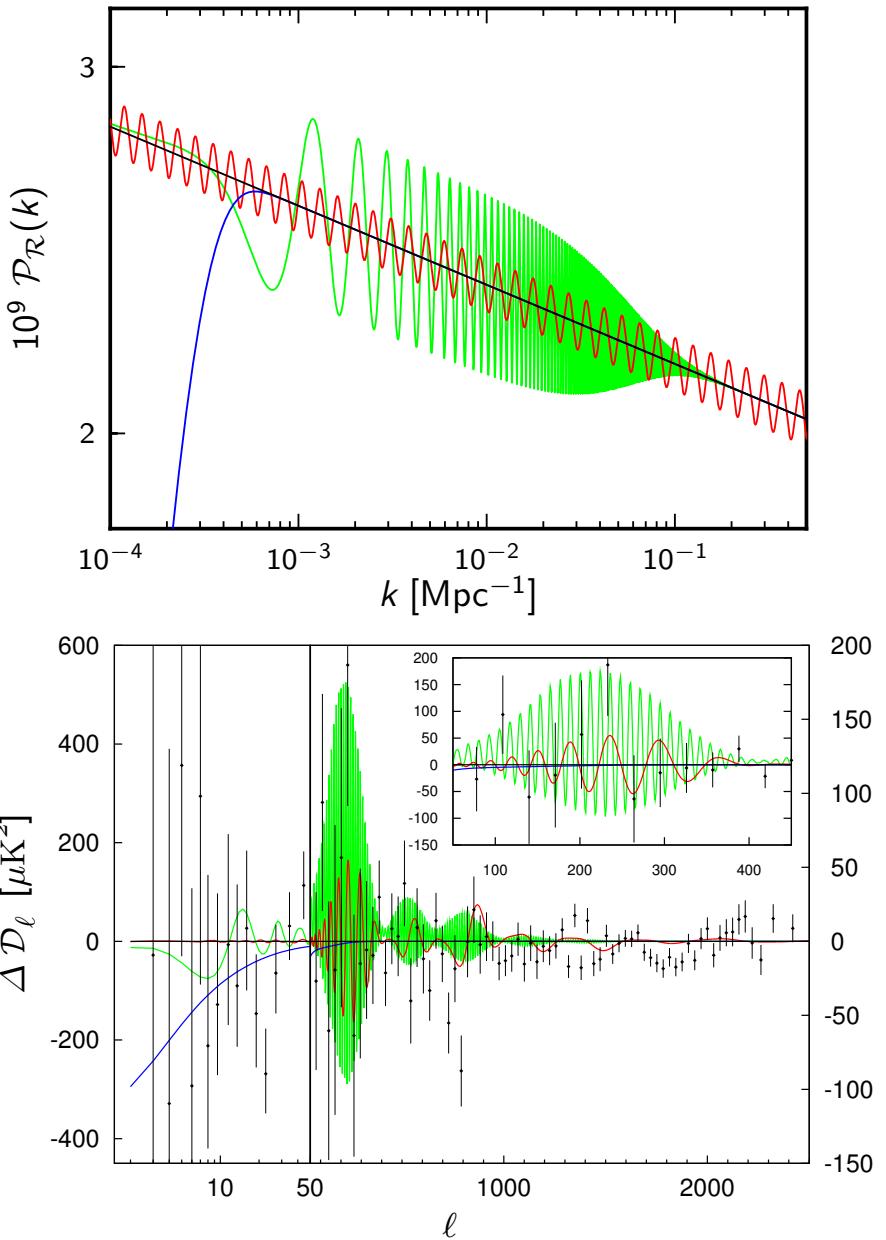
cutoff:  $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}}(k) = \mathcal{P}_0(k) \left\{ 1 - \exp \left[ - \left( \frac{k}{k_c} \right)^{\lambda_c} \right] \right\}$



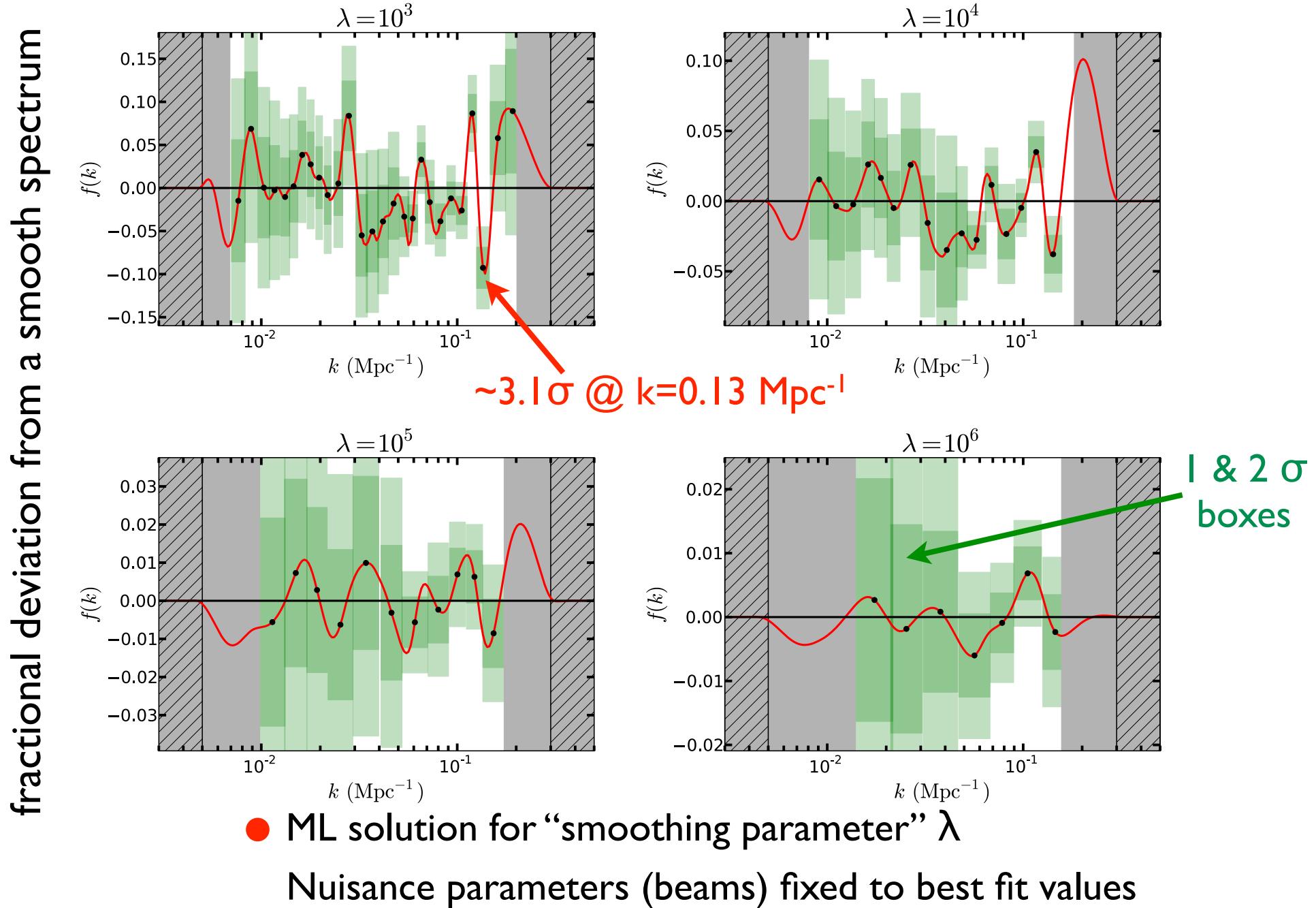
# Parametric searches for features in the primordial spectrum

Model	$-2\Delta \ln \mathcal{L}_{\max}$	$\ln B_{0X}$
Wiggles	-9.0	1.5
Step-inflation	-11.7	0.3
Cutoff	-2.9	0.3

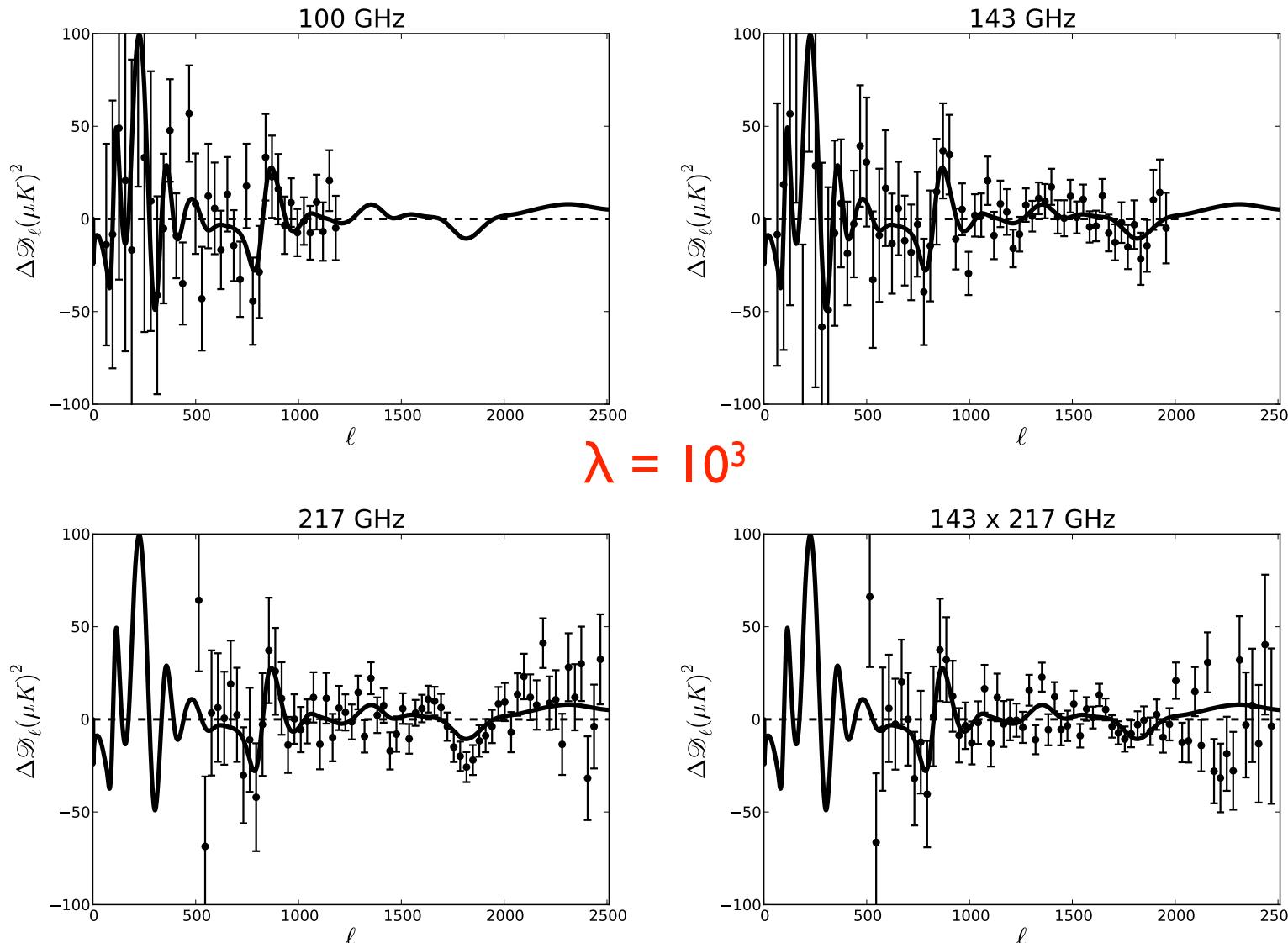
- higher frequencies?
- complementary signals in polarization and NG?



# Non-parametric searches for features in the primordial spectrum

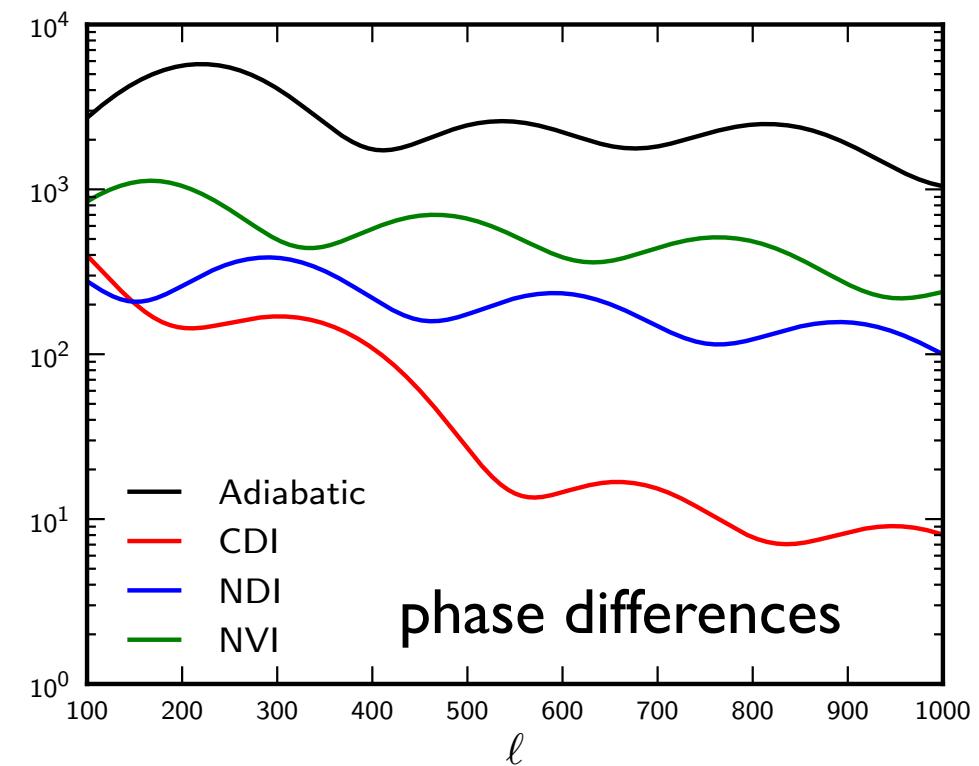
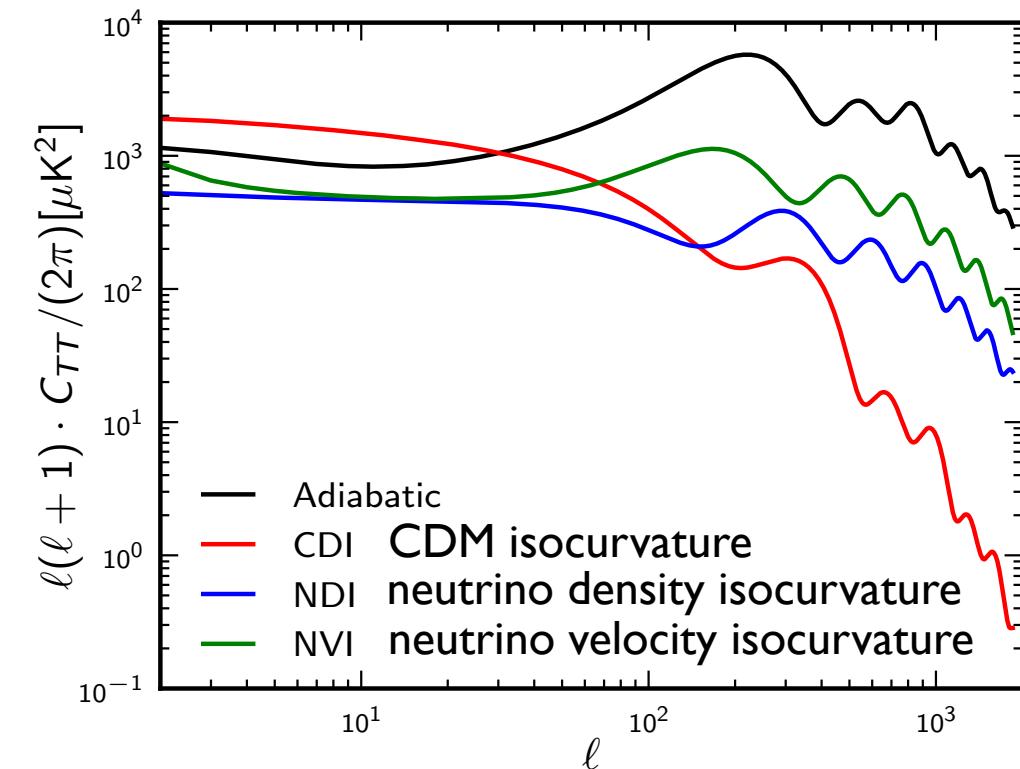


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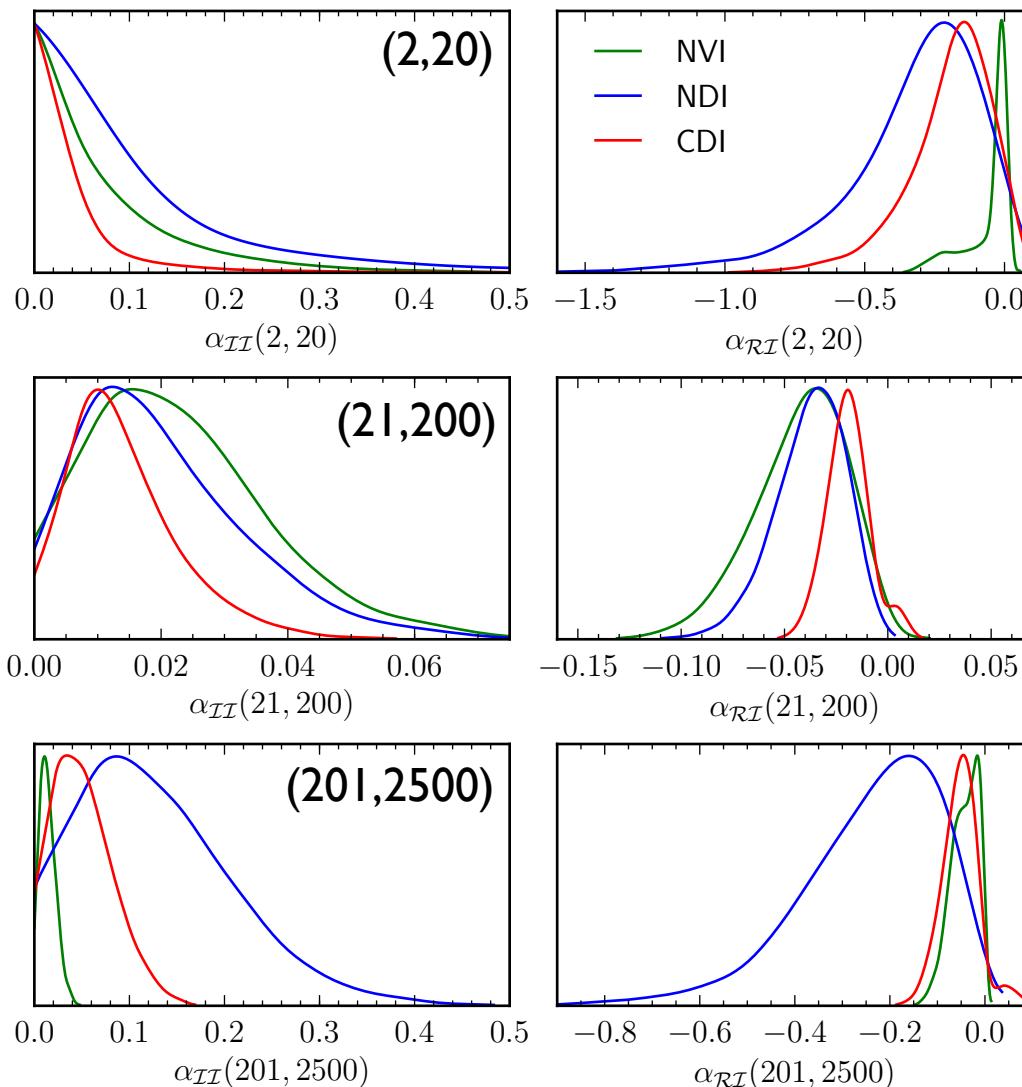
Broad dip at  $\ell \sim 1800$  not explained by known systematics propagated through data analysis pipeline. Needs further investigation with full mission data.

# Isocurvature: spectra



- arise from spatial variations in the eq. of state or between relative velocities of components
- might be excited in e.g. multifield scenario
- expect correlations between adiabatic and isocurvature d.o.f.

# Isocurvature: constraints



$$\mathbf{P}(k) = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}} \mathcal{R}(k) & \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}} \mathcal{I}_{CDI}(k) & \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}} \mathcal{I}_{NDI}(k) & \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{R}} \mathcal{I}_{NVI}(k) \\ \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{I}_{CDI}\mathcal{R}}(k) & \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{I}_{CDI}\mathcal{I}_{CDI}}(k) & \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{I}_{CDI}\mathcal{I}_{NDI}}(k) & \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{I}_{CDI}\mathcal{I}_{NVI}}(k) \\ \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{I}_{NDI}\mathcal{R}}(k) & \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{I}_{NDI}\mathcal{I}_{CDI}}(k) & \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{I}_{NDI}\mathcal{I}_{NDI}}(k) & \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{I}_{NDI}\mathcal{I}_{NVI}}(k) \\ \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{I}_{NVI}\mathcal{R}}(k) & \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{I}_{NVI}\mathcal{I}_{CDI}}(k) & \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{I}_{NVI}\mathcal{I}_{NDI}}(k) & \mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{I}_{NVI}\mathcal{I}_{NVI}}(k) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\alpha_{RR}(\ell_{\min}, \ell_{\max}) = \frac{(\Delta T)_{RR}^2(\ell_{\min}, \ell_{\max})}{(\Delta T)_{\text{tot}}^2(\ell_{\min}, \ell_{\max})},$$

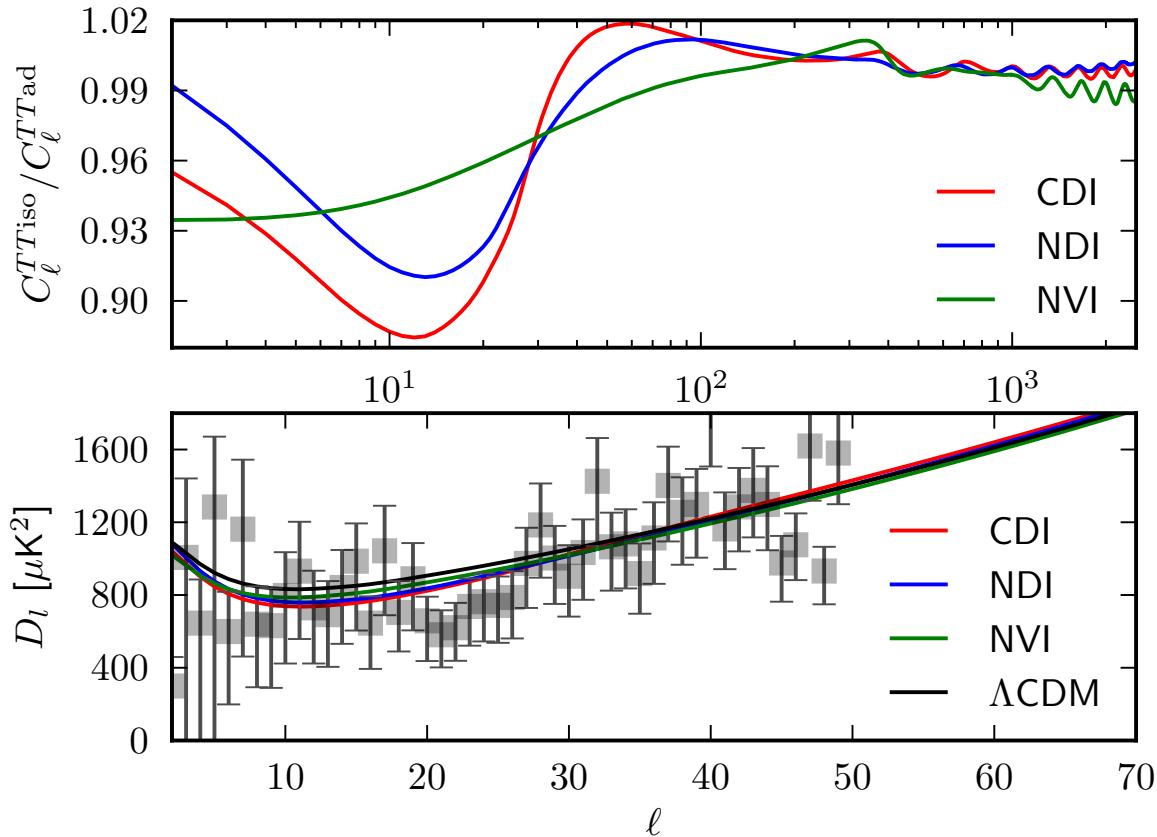
$$\alpha_{II}(\ell_{\min}, \ell_{\max}) = \frac{(\Delta T)_{II}^2(\ell_{\min}, \ell_{\max})}{(\Delta T)_{\text{tot}}^2(\ell_{\min}, \ell_{\max})},$$

$$\alpha_{RI}(\ell_{\min}, \ell_{\max}) = \frac{(\Delta T)_{RI}^2(\ell_{\min}, \ell_{\max})}{(\Delta T)_{\text{tot}}^2(\ell_{\min}, \ell_{\max})},$$

$$(\Delta T)_X^2(\ell_{\min}, \ell_{\max}) = \sum_{\ell=\ell_{\min}}^{\ell_{\max}} (2\ell + 1) C_{X,\ell}^{TT}.$$

$\alpha_{RR}$  for  $I \sim (2, 2500)$  (95% CL):  
 non-adiabatic fraction can be  
 as high as  
 [7%, 9%, 5%] (CDI, NDI, NVI)

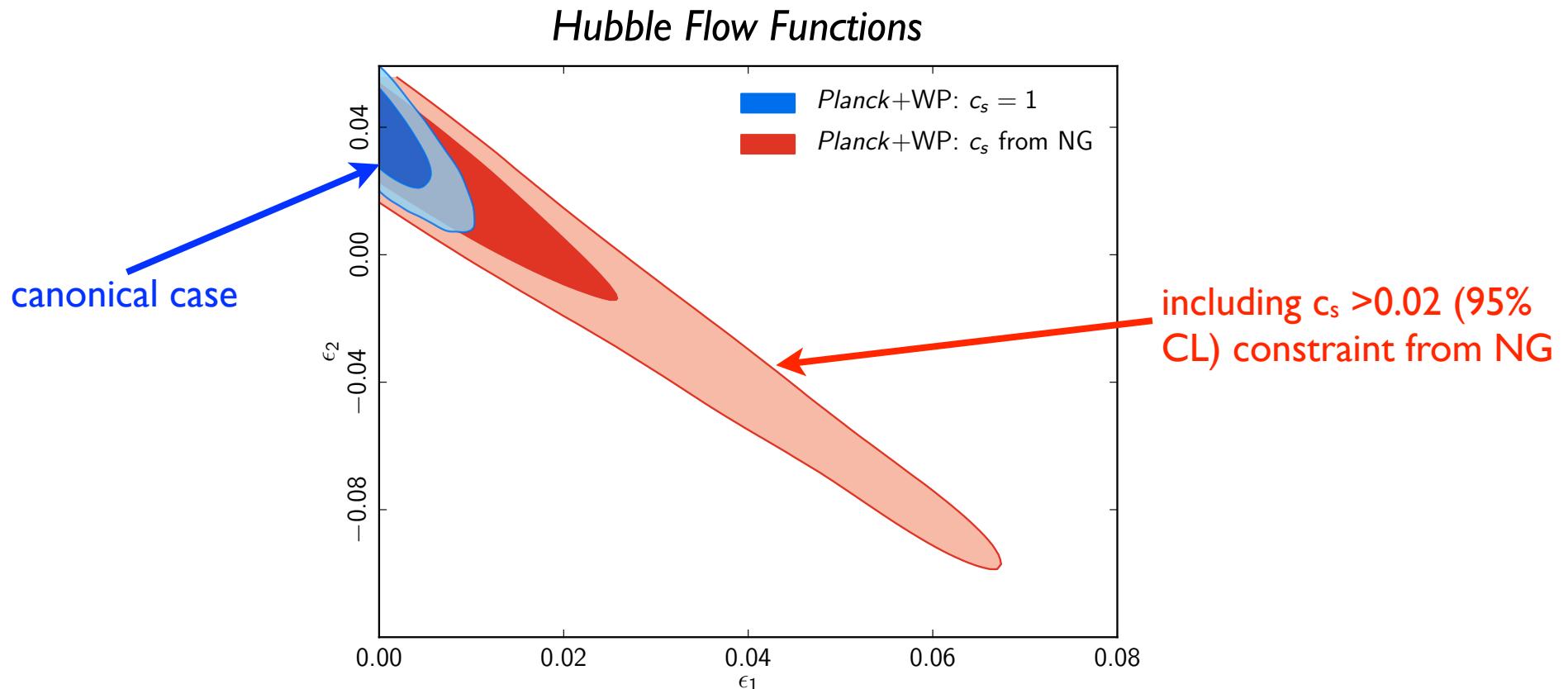
# Isocurvature: best fits



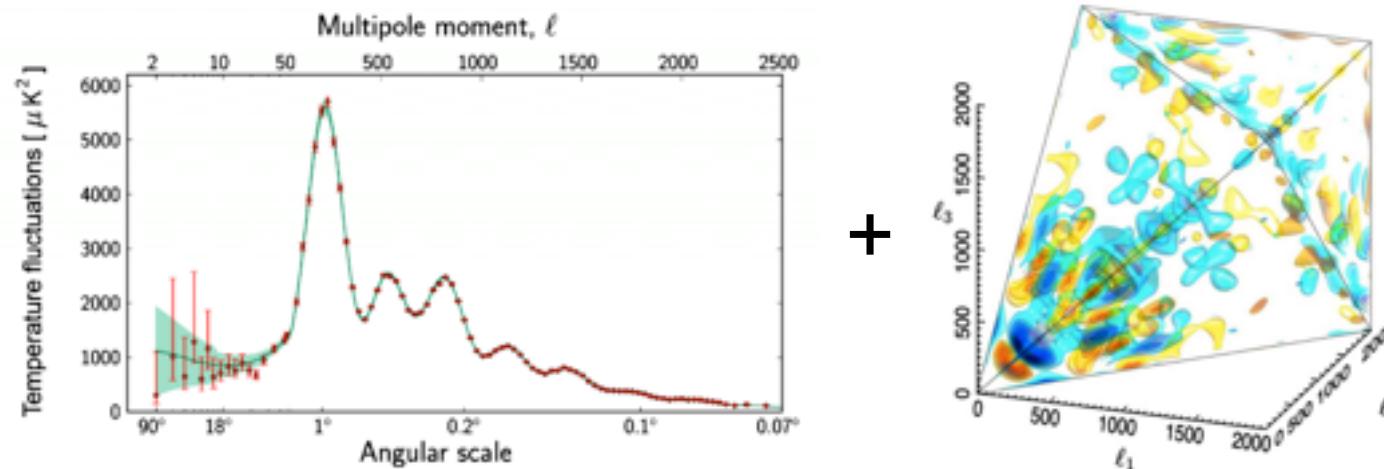
- result driven by “low”  $\ell < 40$  (data prefer anticorrelated isocurvature to fit Sachs-Wolfe amplitude), delta chisq  $\sim 4.6$  improvement.
- interpret with care! peak phase shift not detected.

# Joint constraints from 2-pt and 3-pt

- Consider general class of inflationary models where Lagrangian is general function of the scalar inflaton field and its first derivative.
- Inflationary sound speed can be  $c_s < 1$  (canonical case:  $c_s=1$ ).
- Full parameter set  $(A_s, \epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, c_s)$  assuming constant sound speed **degenerate** without NG info.



# **Joint constraints from 2-pt and 3-pt: some other examples**



- **IR DBI:** DBI model where inflaton moves from IR to DBI side, with potential

$$V(\phi) = V_0 - \frac{1}{2}\beta H^2\phi^2$$

where  $0.1 < \beta < 10^9$ . Planck  $n_s + f_{NL}(\text{DBI})$  constrains  $\beta < 0.7$  (95% CL).

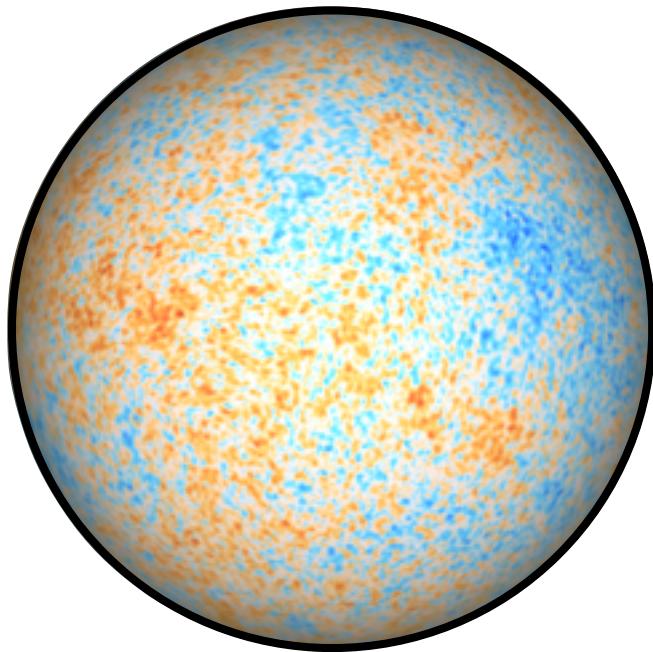
- **k-inflation:** One class depends on a single parameter  $\gamma$  (Amendariz-Picon et al, 99).

Planck  $n_s$ :  $0.01 < \gamma < 0.02$  (95% CL);

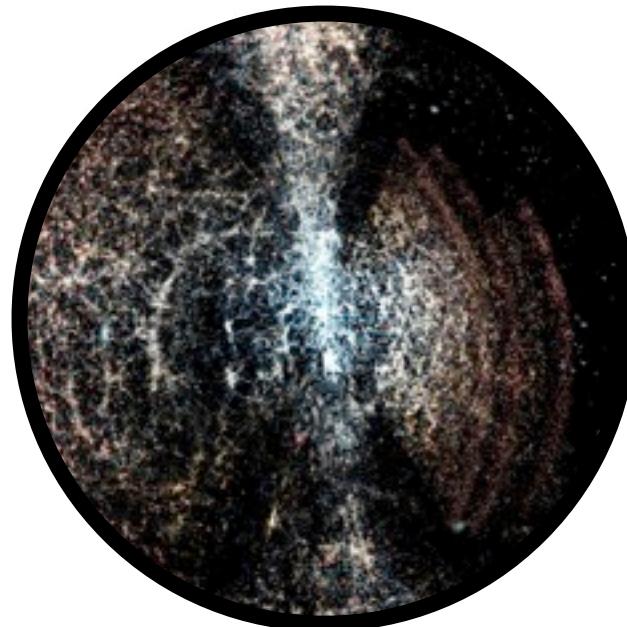
Planck  $f_{NL}(\text{equil})$ :  $\gamma > 0.05$  (95% CL).

**Inconsistent!**

# **What is the physical origin of all the structure in the Universe?**



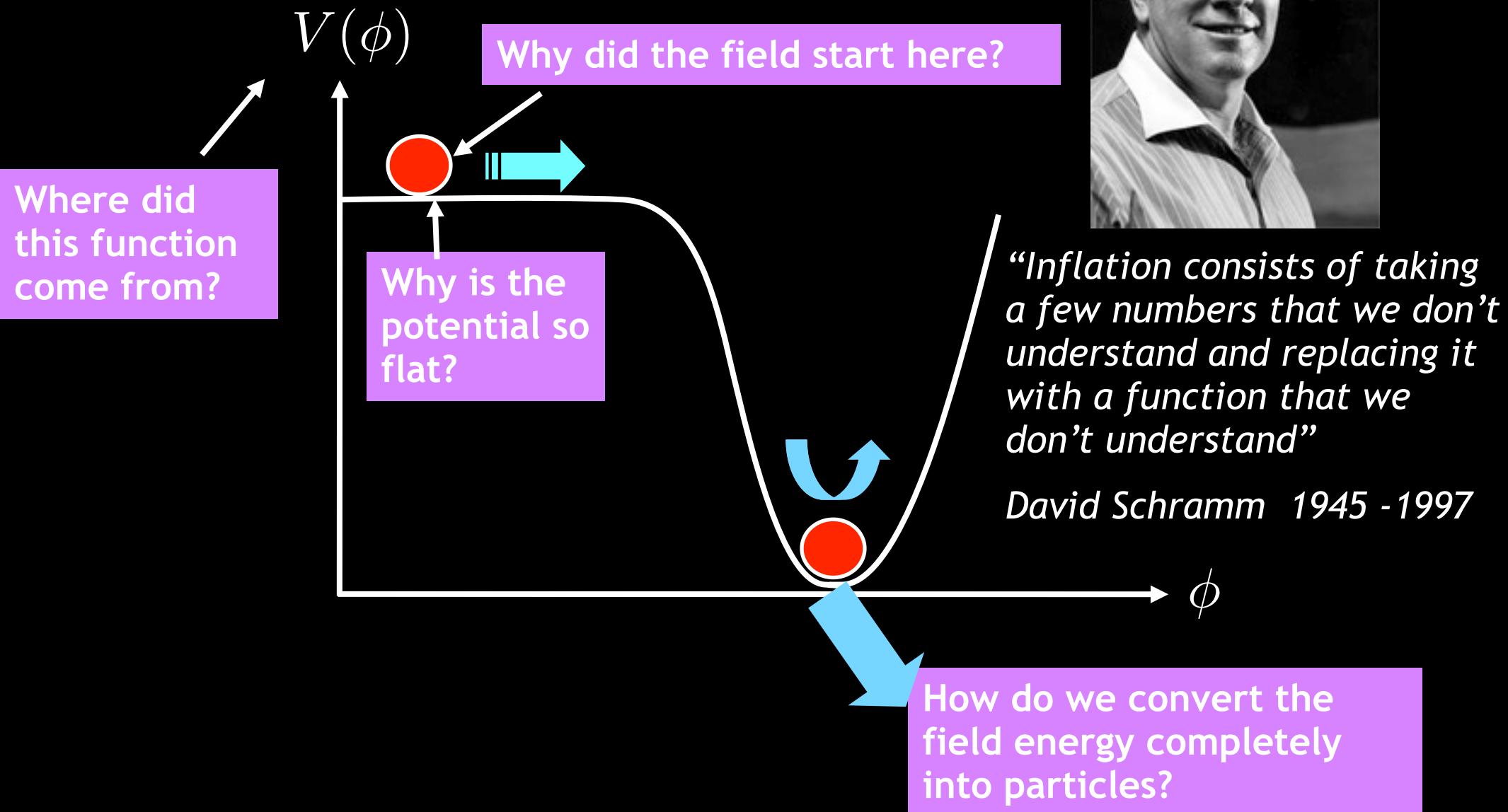
**Cosmic Microwave Background**  
image: Planck



**Large Scale Structure**  
image: SDSS

**The simplest inflationary models have passed their most stringent test yet!**

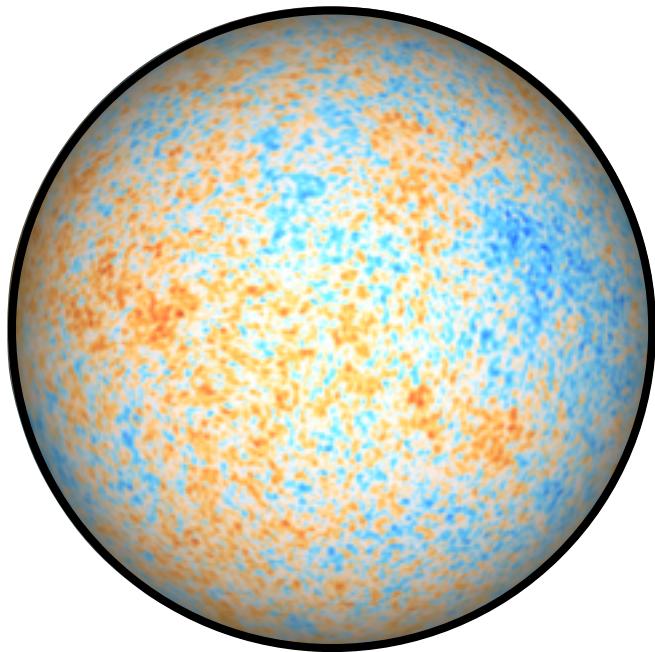
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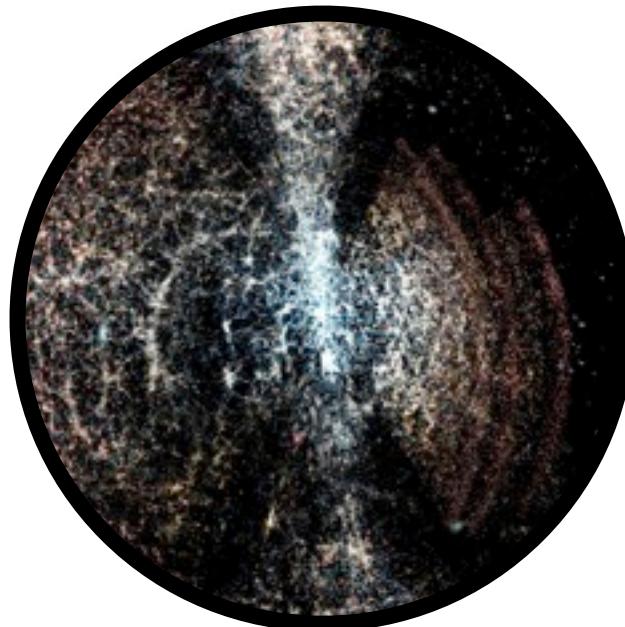
*“Inflation consists of taking a few numbers that we don’t understand and replacing it with a function that we don’t understand”*

*David Schramm 1945 - 1997*

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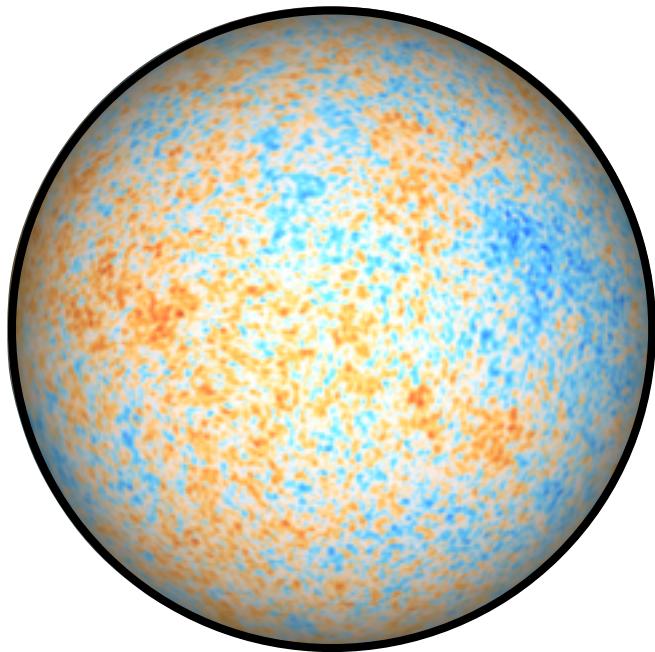
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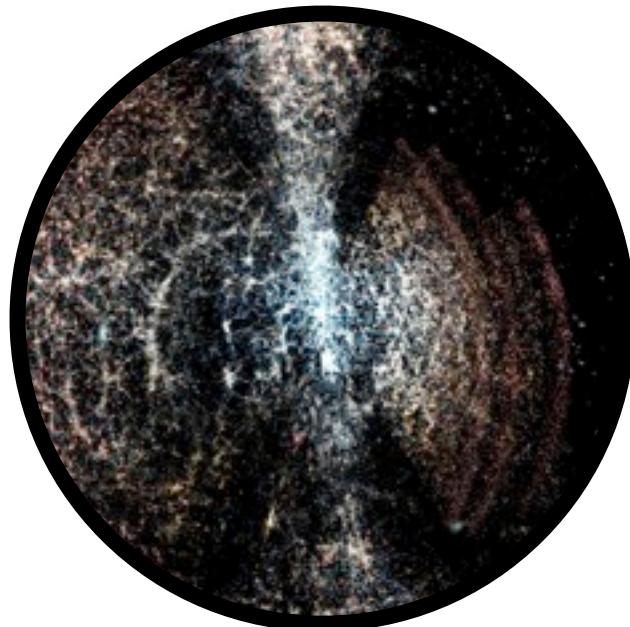
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**We see a model working in practice.  
How does it work in principle?**

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**Does inflation work in principle?**