

Alpha-attractors and B-mode targets

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Based on work with A. Linde and
S. Ferrara, D. Roest, T. Wrase, Y. Yamada

Keith: a friend and a collaborator

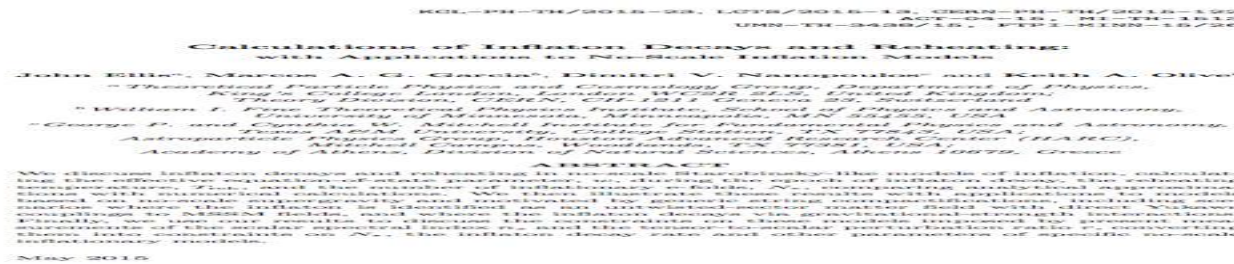
Talks by J. Ellis and D. Nanopoulos
and many other collaborators

My personal interest

[K.A. Olive et al. \(Particle Data Group\)](#)

Best source of information for teaching QFT III

arXiv:1505.04897v1 [hep-th] 19 May 2015



2015

Creation of Matter in the Universe

Particularly important for the analysis of the future precision cosmological data on n_s and r with regard to a number of e-foldings in inflation, N .

$$n_s = 1 - \frac{2}{N}, \quad r = \alpha \frac{12}{N^2}$$

$$V_{\text{infl}} = \frac{H^2}{3}$$

$$V_{\text{infl}} \sim E^4$$

Planck length : 10^{-35} m

$$E_{\text{infl}} \sim 10^{16} \text{ GeV}$$

$$r < 0.07$$

???

B-modes from inflation

10^{12} GeV

10^{15} GeV

10^{18} GeV

10^{-33} m

10^{-30} m

10^{-27} m

10^{-24} m

10^{-21} m

10^{-18} m

10^{-15} m

$$T_H = \frac{H}{2\pi} \sim 10^{13} \text{ GeV}$$

Hawking temperature of gravitational radiation

Desert

10^9 GeV

GeV

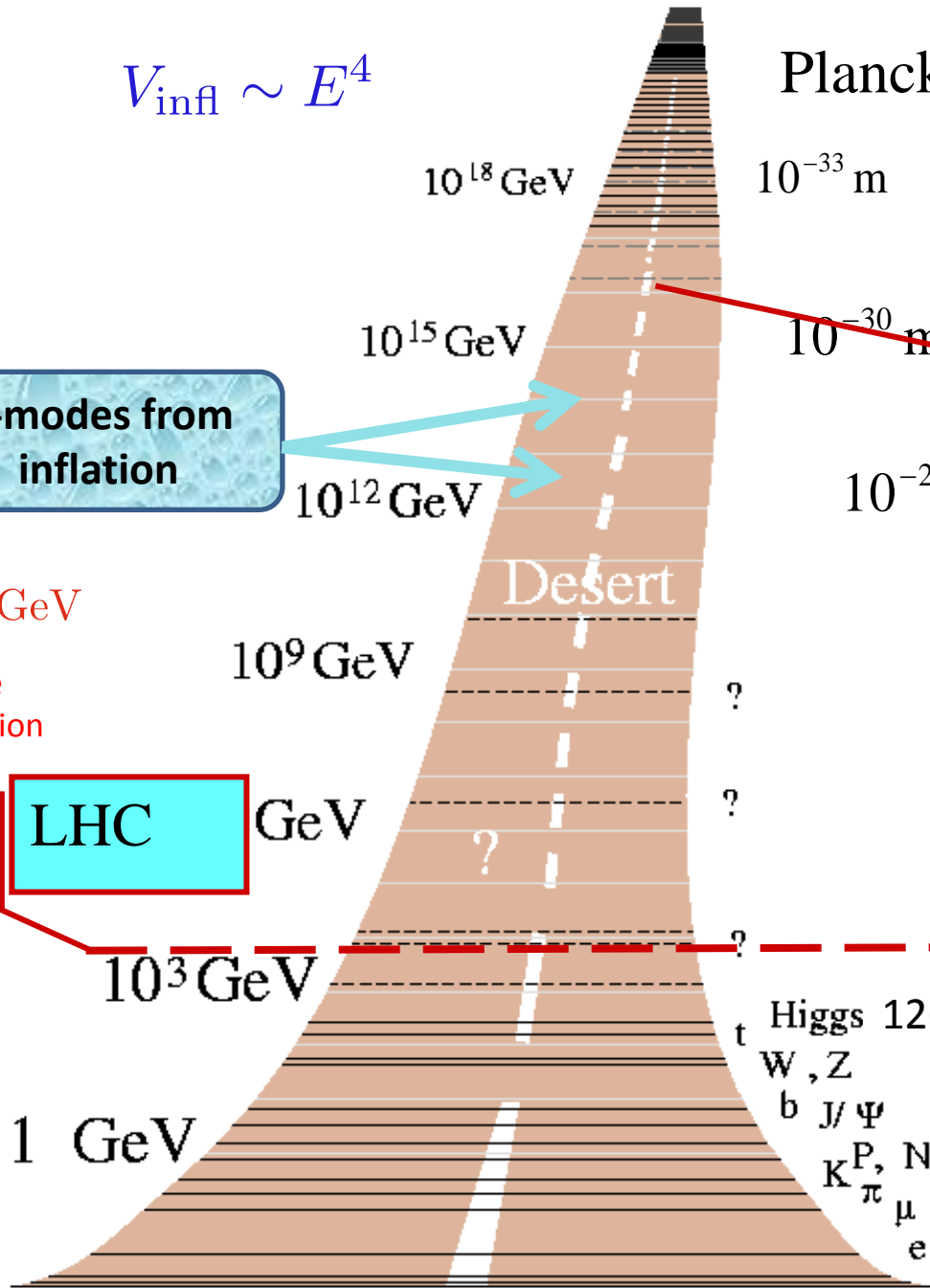
10^3 GeV

LHC

1 GeV

G. t'Hooft

0



Higgs 126 GeV
 t
 W, Z
 $b, J/\Psi$
 K, P, N
 π, μ, e

γ, ν_e, ν_μ

Atacama CMB (Stage II & III)

CLASS 1.5m x 4
72 detectors at 38 GHz
512 at 95 GHz
2000 at 147 and 217 GHz

**Simons Array
(Polarbear 2.5m x 3)**
22,764 detectors
90, 150, 220, 280 GHz

ACT 6m
AdvACTpol:
88 detectors at 28 & 41 GHz
1712 at 95 GHz
2718 at 150 GHz
1006 at 230 GHz

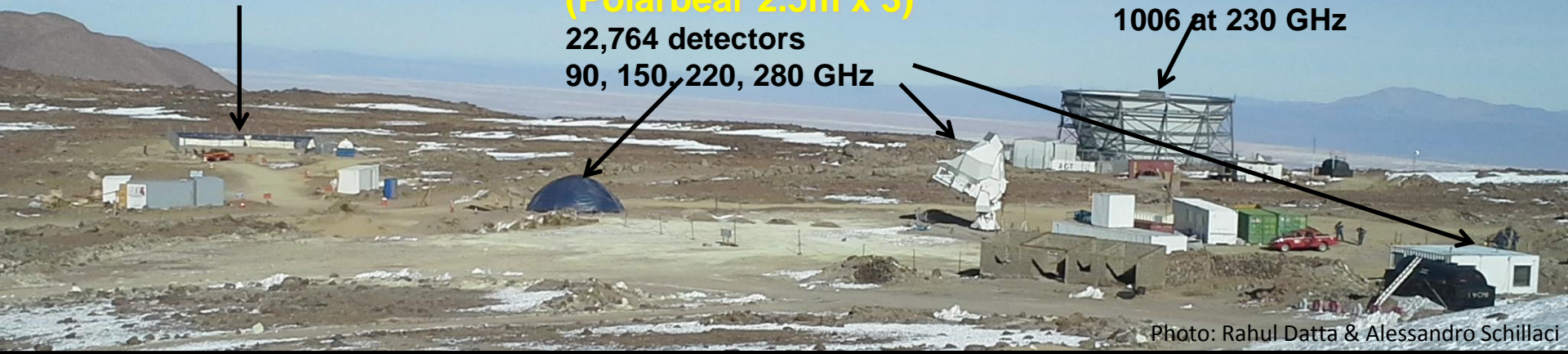


Photo: Rahul Datta & Alessandro Schillaci

South Pole CMB (Stage II & III)

10m South Pole Telescope
SPT-3G: 16,400 detectors
95, 150, 220 GHz

BICEP3
2560 detectors
95 GHz

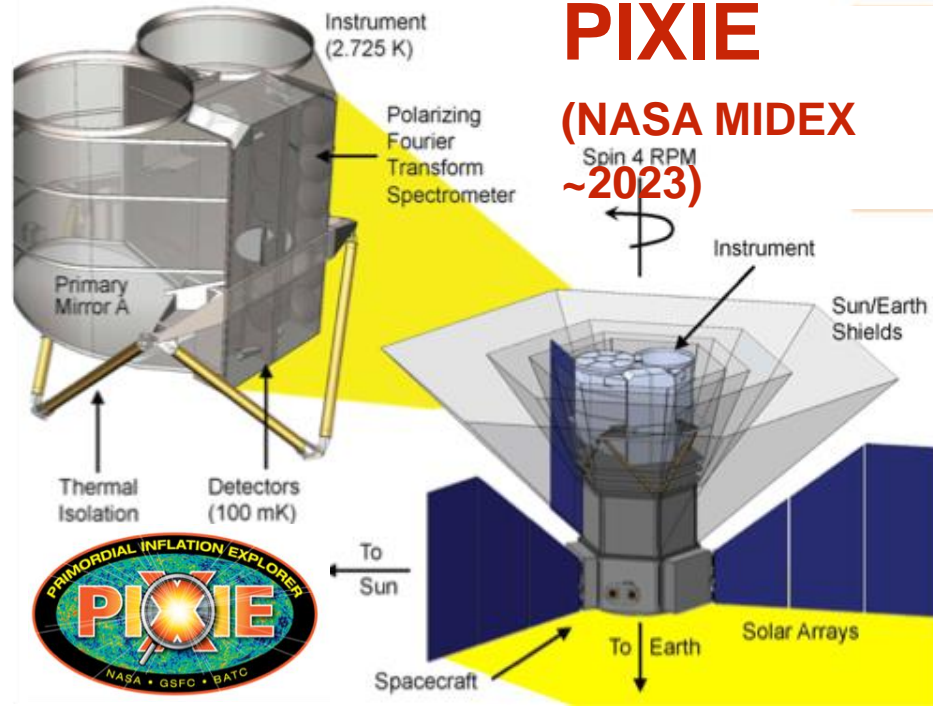
Keck Array
2500 detectors
150 & 220 GHz
Upgrading to BICEP Array:
30,000 detectors
35, 95, 150, 220, 270 GHz



Photo credit Cynthia Chiang



CMB satellite proposals



PIXIE
(NASA MIDEX ~2023)

LiteCORE
(ESA M5 ~2026-2030)



LiteBIRD (JAXA, ~2025)



Lite (Light) Satellite for the Studies of B-mode Polarization and Inflation from Cosmic Background Radiation Detection

All targeting $\sigma(r) \sim \text{few } 10^{-4}$

Why so many detectors for primordial gravitational waves?

Hard to detect B-modes: removal of foregrounds, control of systematics, achieving required sensitivity

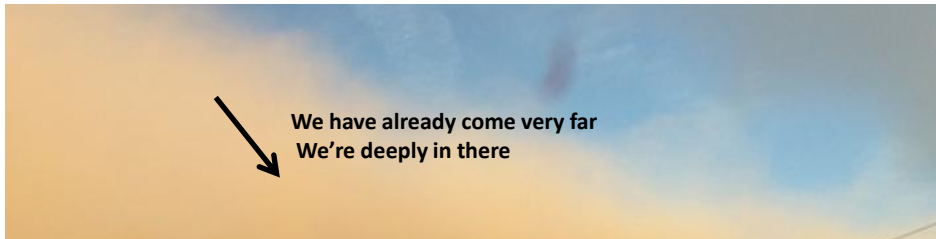
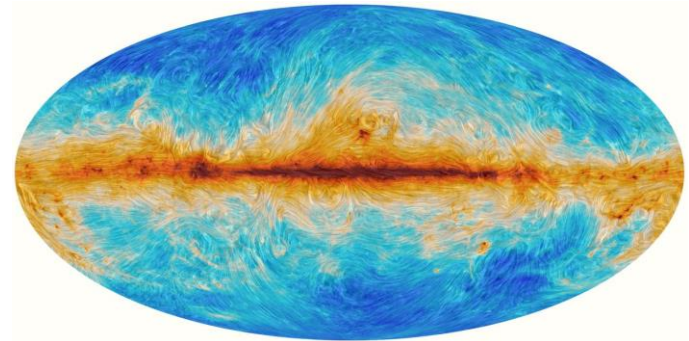
The March toward $r=0.001$



Chao-Lin Kuo

Stanford/SLAC

New Horizons in Inflationary Cosmology, SITP, March 3, 2017



Detection would be of fundamental importance for understanding Quantum Gravity

How Probe the Universe's Earliest Moments?

Planck Era

DAWN
OF
TIME

Inflation

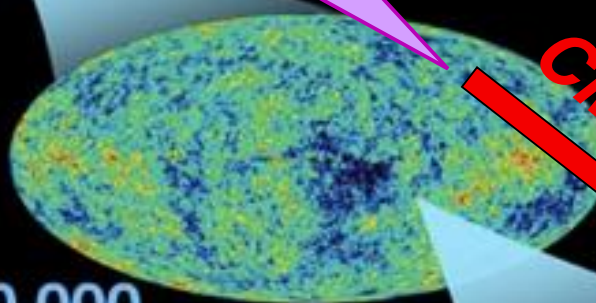
tiny fraction
of a second

Gravitational Waves

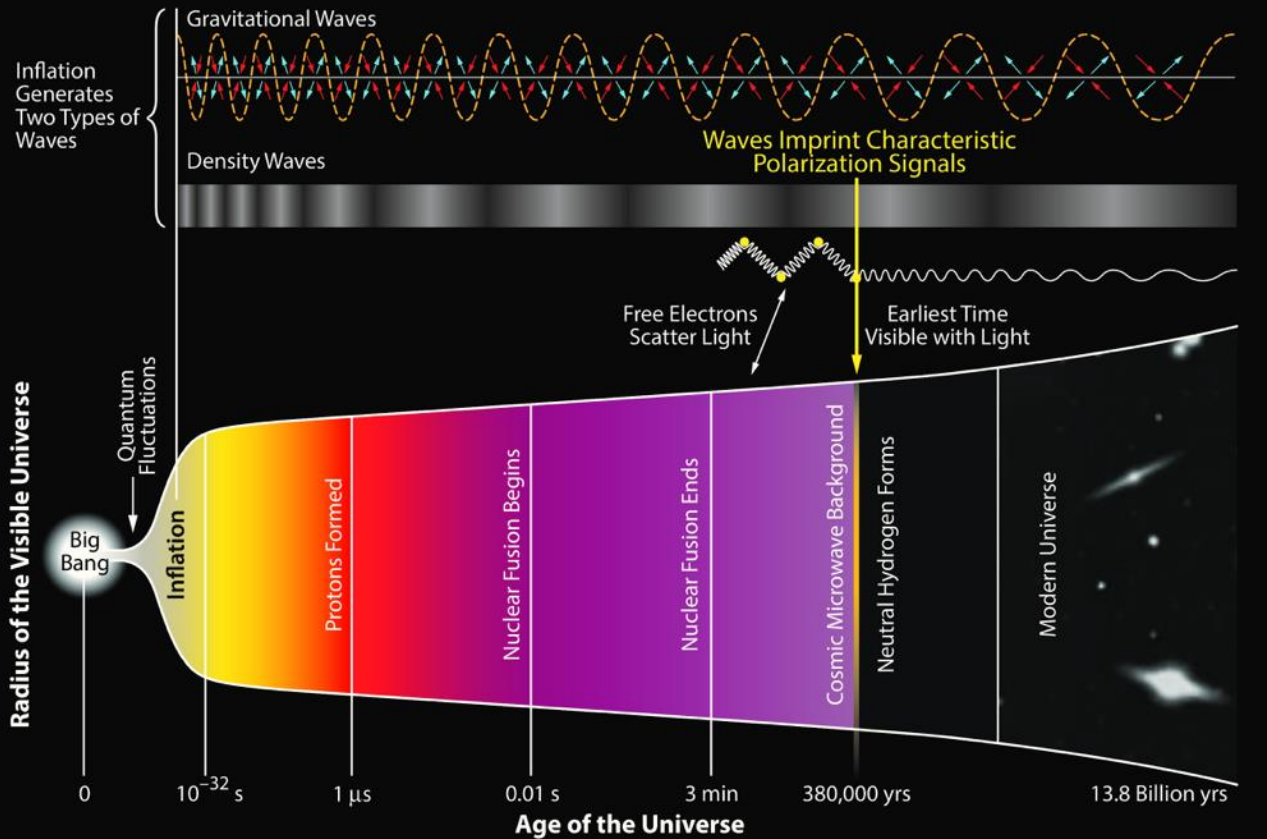
CMB Polarization

380,000
years

13.7
billion
years

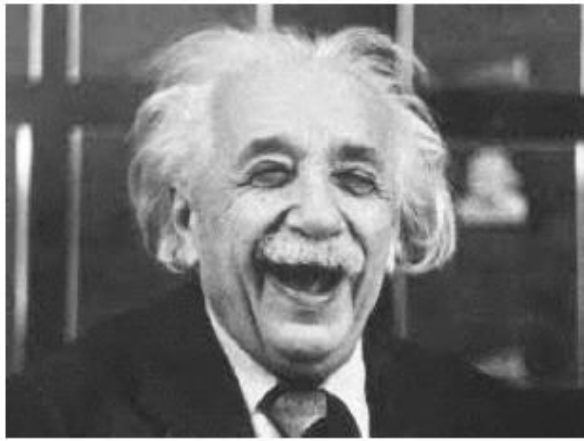


History of the Universe



Primordial gravitational Waves, B-modes. Created during early universe inflation, about 13.8 billion years ago. Not yet detected.

Gravitational waves detected by LIGO from the binary black hole merger at about 1.3 billion years ago

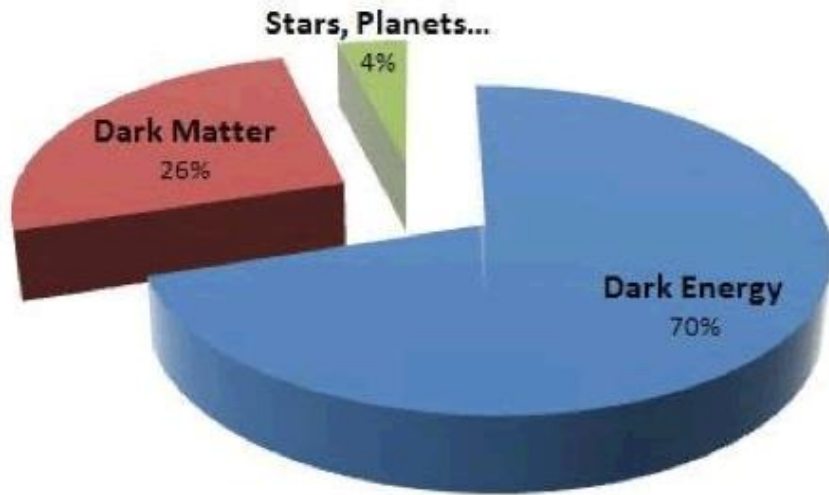


String theory landscape?

Λ CDM

$$w = -0.99 \pm 0.06$$

$$\Lambda \sim (10^{-30} M_{Pl})^4 \sim 10^{-120} M_{Pl}^4$$

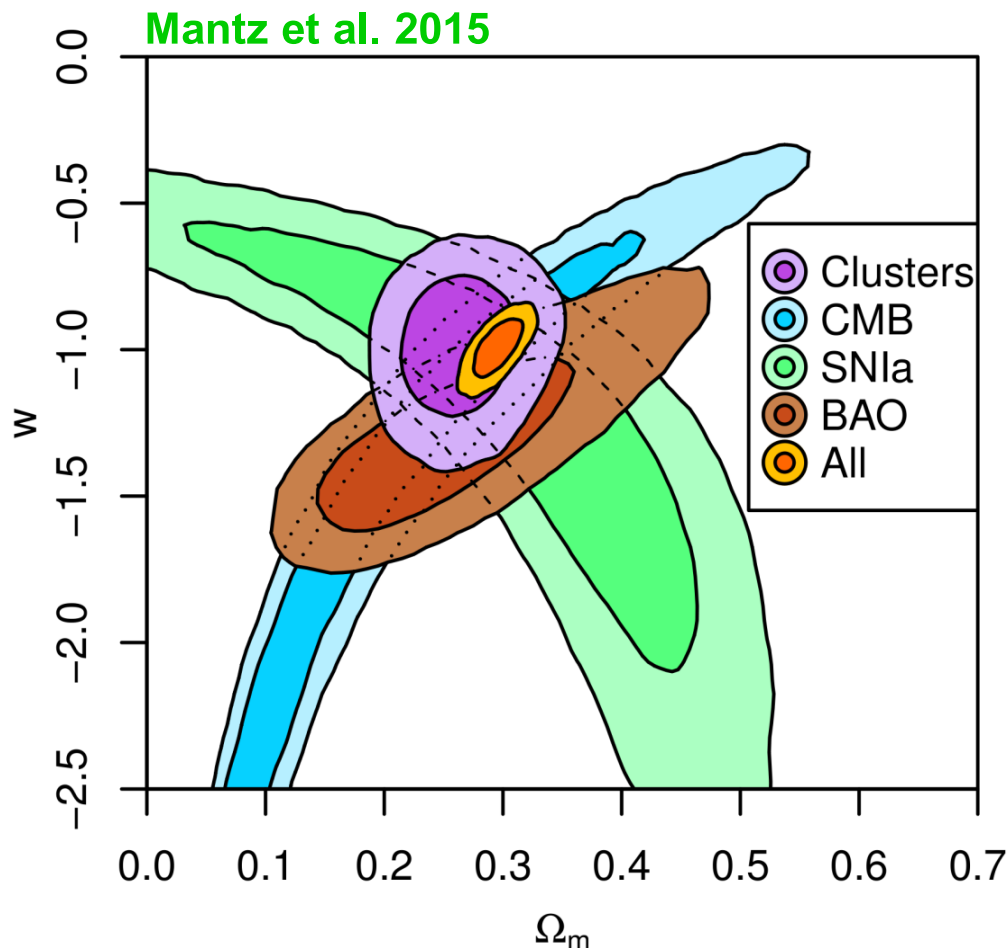


$$\Lambda \sim (10^{-3} eV)^4$$

Λ CDM cosmology

Dark energy: clusters vs. independent techniques

*From S. Allen talk
at CMBS4, Feb2017*



Flat, constant w model:

Clusters (Mantz et al. '15)
CMB (WMAP9+SPT+ACT)
SNIa (Suzuki et al. '12)
BAO (Anderson et al. '14)

Combined constraint (68%)

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega_m &= 0.295 \pm 0.013 \\ \sigma_8 &= 0.819 \pm 0.026 \\ w &= -0.99 \pm 0.06\end{aligned}$$

Cluster constraints from 224 massive clusters at $z < 0.5$ (+ Chandra X-ray + WTG weak lensing) competitive with other leading cosmological methods.

Recent data (non CMB)

The clustering of galaxies in the completed SDSS-III Baryon Oscillation Spectroscopic Survey: cosmological analysis of the DR12 galaxy sample

2016

$$\Omega_K = 0.0003 \pm 0.0026$$

$$w = 1.01 \pm 0.06$$

strong affirmation of the spatially flat cold dark matter model with a cosmological constant (Λ CDM)

Anthropic approach to Λ in string theory:

String theory landscape?

10^{500}
vacua

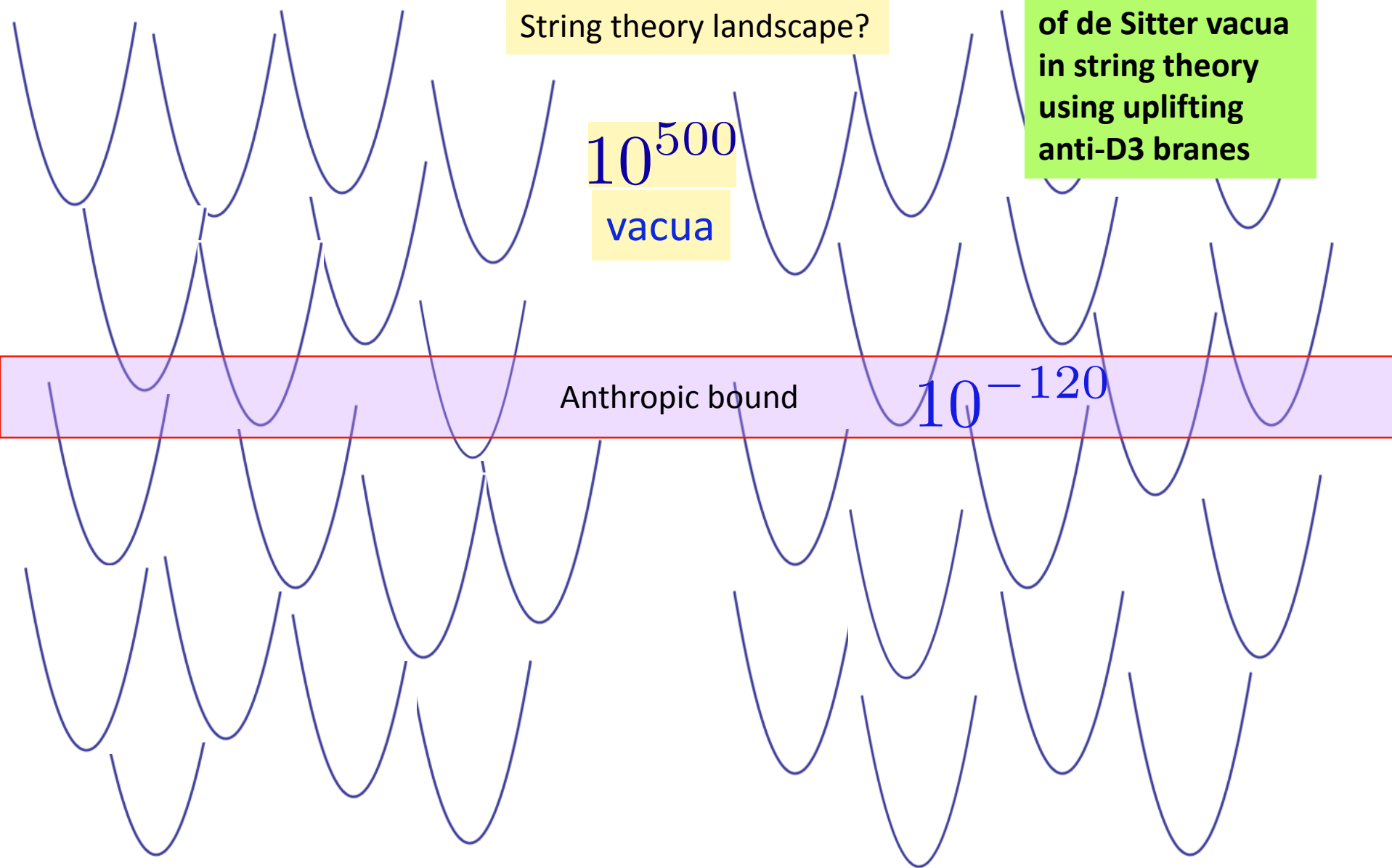
KKLT-construction
of de Sitter vacua
in string theory
using uplifting
anti-D3 branes

Anthropic bound

10^{-120}

Before quantum corrections

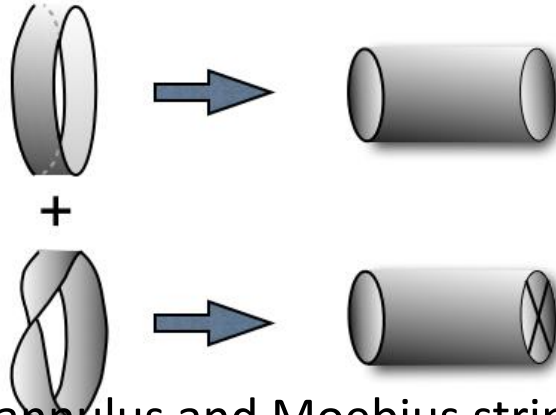
After quantum corrections



String Theory Realizations of the Nilpotent Goldstino

RK, Quevedo, Uranga 2015
Earlier work by Dudas et al

$$S^2(x, \theta) = 0$$



A technical tool for the string theory landscape construction and for inflationary model building

The one-loop open string annulus and Moebius strip diagrams turn into closed string channel diagrams describing tree level exchange of NSNS and RR states between two boundaries (branes or antibranes), or between one boundary and one crosscap (O3-plane)

Non-linear supersymmetry: not of the kind which was not found at LHC

Volkov-Akulov, 1972

Allows de Sitter vacua in Supergravity without scalars

The Cosmic Microwave Background Stage 4 **Concept Definition Task force**

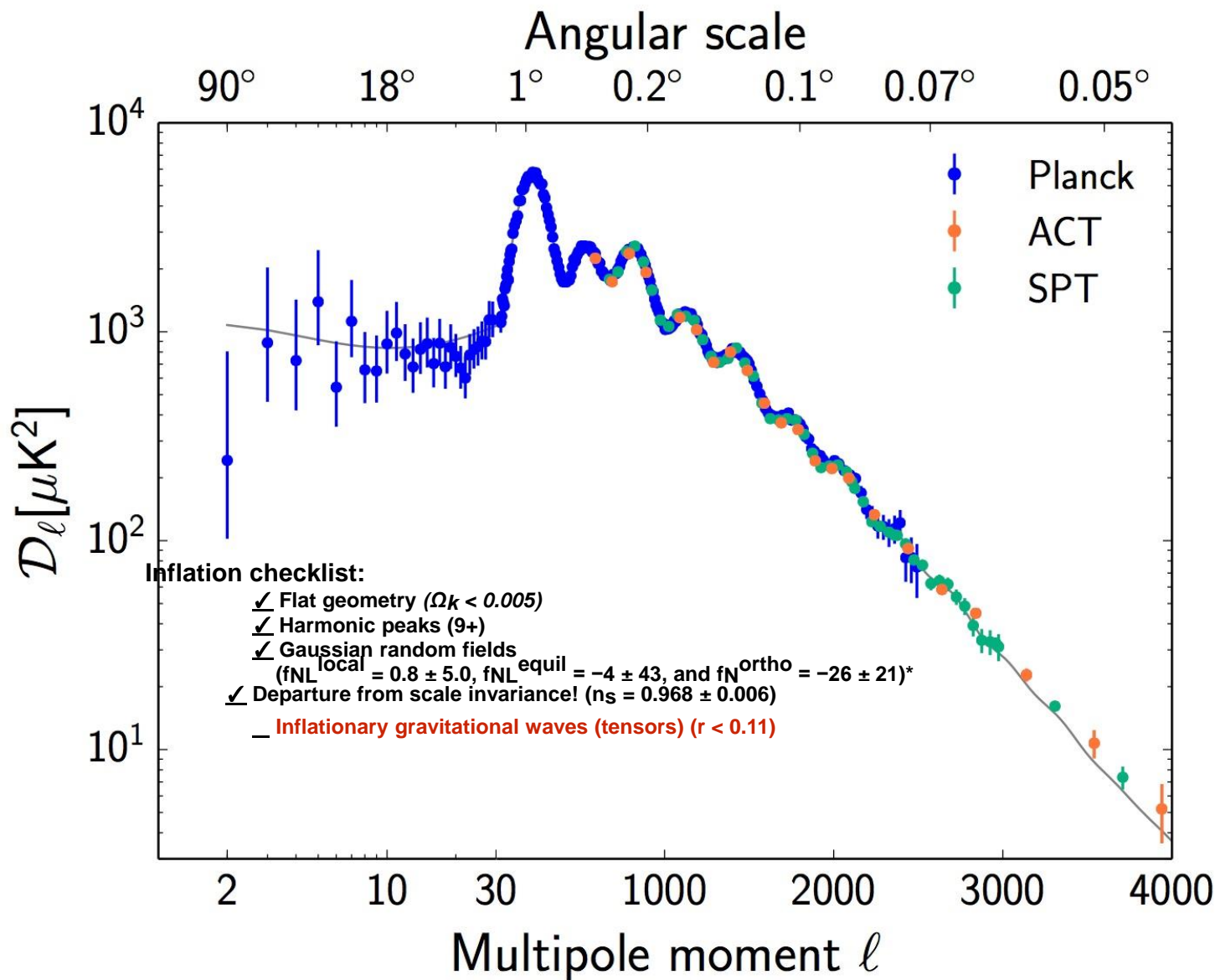
- A subset of the CMB-S4 community set up to do a specific job
- A Task Force set up by the Astronomy and Astrophysics Advisory Committee (AAAC) at the request of
- The DOE Office of High Energy Physics (HEP)
- The NSF Divisions of Astronomical Sciences (AST) Physics (PHY) **2017**
- Polar Programs (PLR)
- to “develop a concept for a CMB-S4 experiment”.

Science Requirements - Six areas:

- Inflation [r or $\sigma(r)$]
- Neutrinos [(Σm)]
- Light relics [$\sigma(N_{\text{eff}})$]
- Dark matter [?]
- Dark energy [?]
- Astro [?]



Status of primary CMB TT measurements



J. Carlstrom

*constraints include CMB polarization data

Glossary

N : the number of e-folds N left to the end of inflation, defined as

$$a = a_f e^{-N}$$

where a is the scale factor and a_f is its value at the end of inflation. The spectrum of fluctuations observed in CMB corresponds to

$$47 < N < 57$$

n_s : Tilt of the spectrum of inflationary perturbations

$$n_s \approx 0.965$$

r : Level of B-modes, $r=T/S$. Not detected

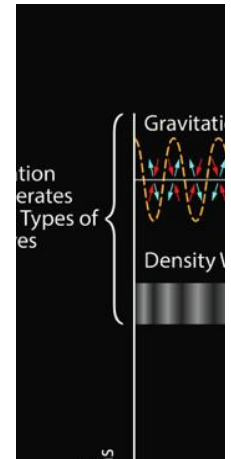
$$r < 0.07$$

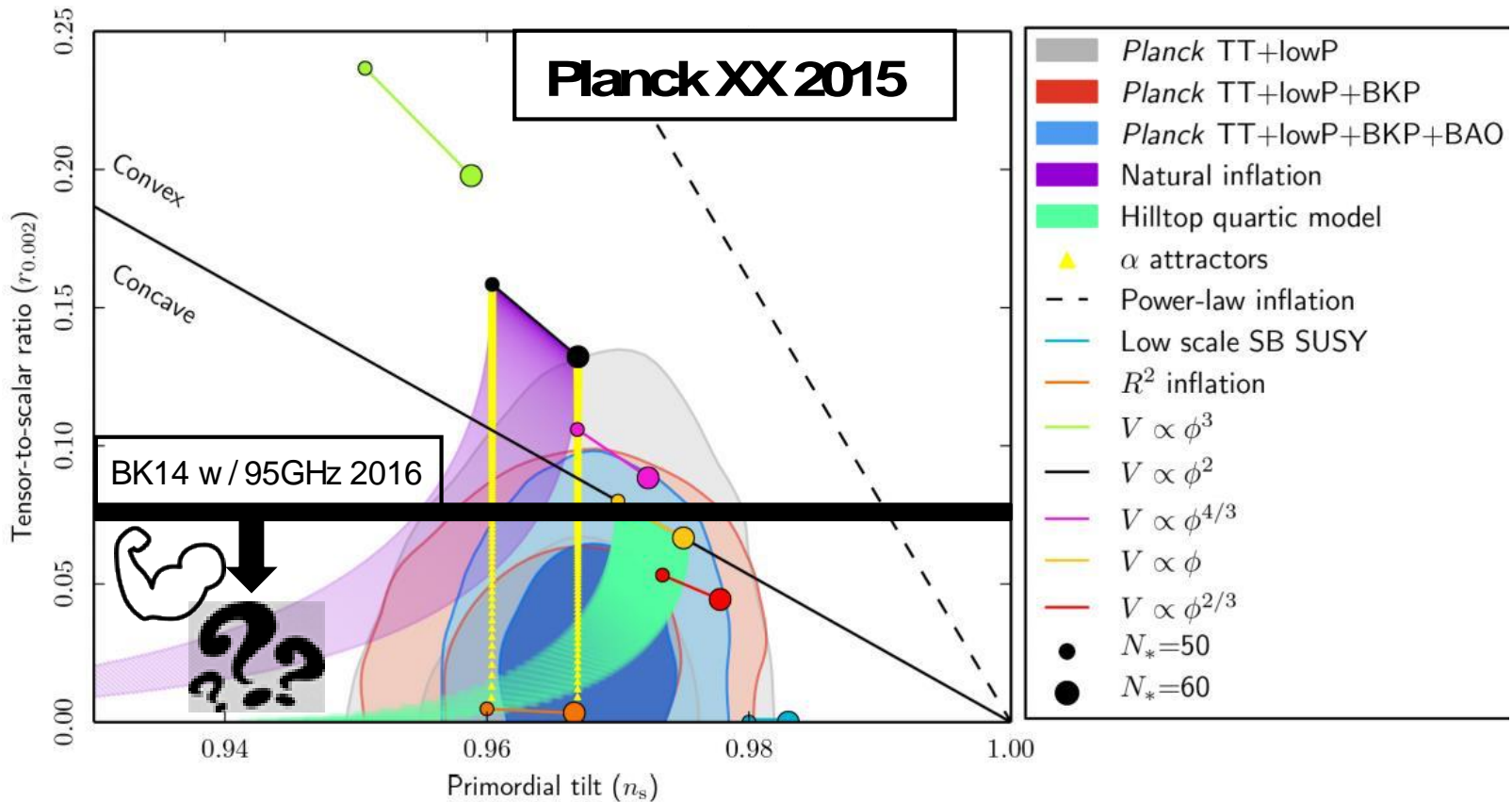
N : is the number of supersymmetries, Majorana spinors. The maximal number for theories with highest spin 2 is

$$N = 8$$

The minimal number which we will consider here is

$$N = 1$$





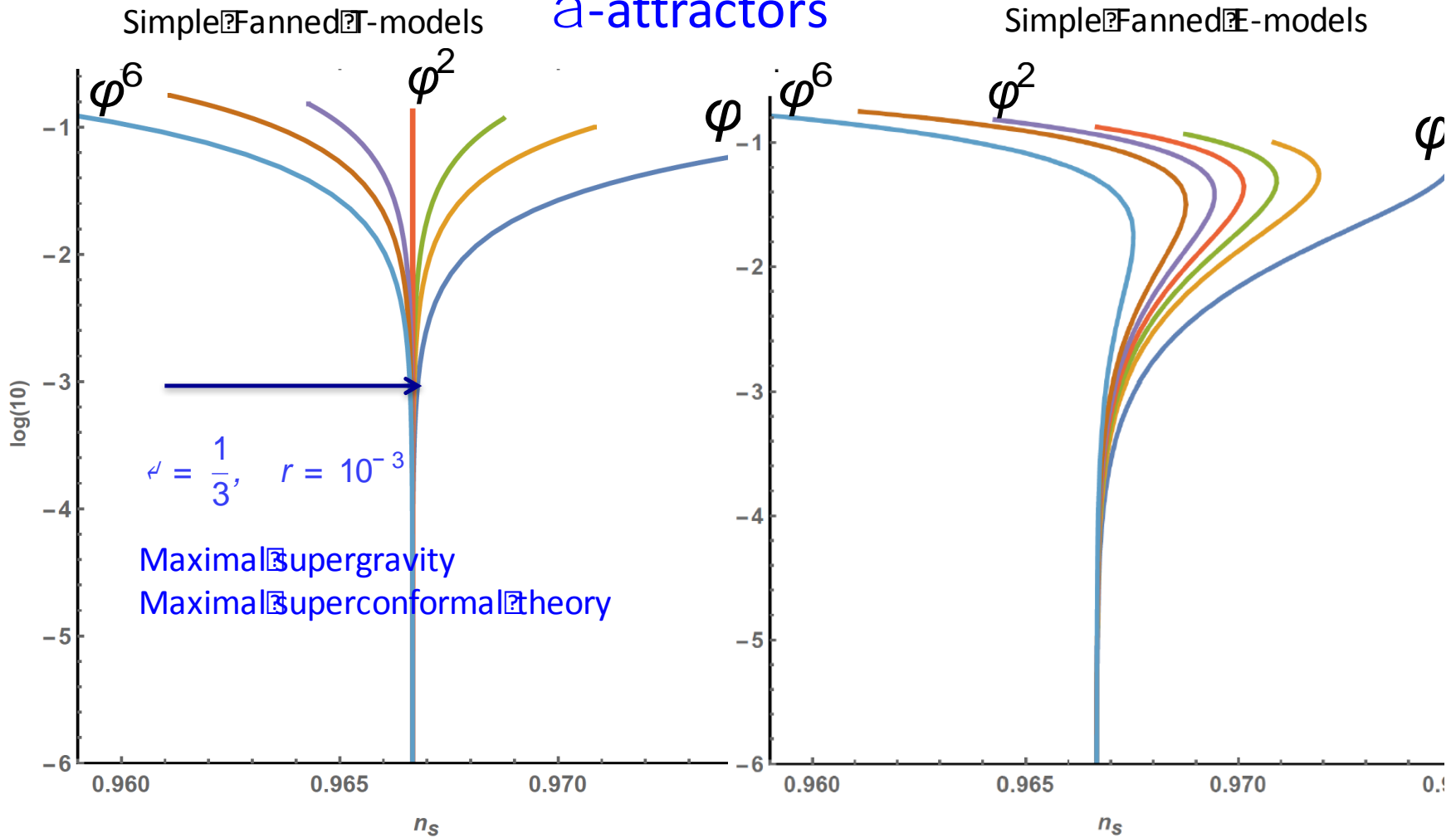
Next in CMB cosmology:

Relentless observation

If B-modes will be discovered soon, $r > 10^{-2}$ natural inflation models, axion monodromy models, α -attractor models, ..., will be validated
No need to worry about log scale r

Otherwise, we switch to log r

a-attractors



$$\downarrow \quad \nu \quad \rho \quad \frac{\sigma}{6^\ell} \quad \sigma_{2n}$$

$$\downarrow \quad \nu \quad 1 - e^{-\rho \frac{\sigma}{3^\ell}} \quad \sigma_{2n}$$

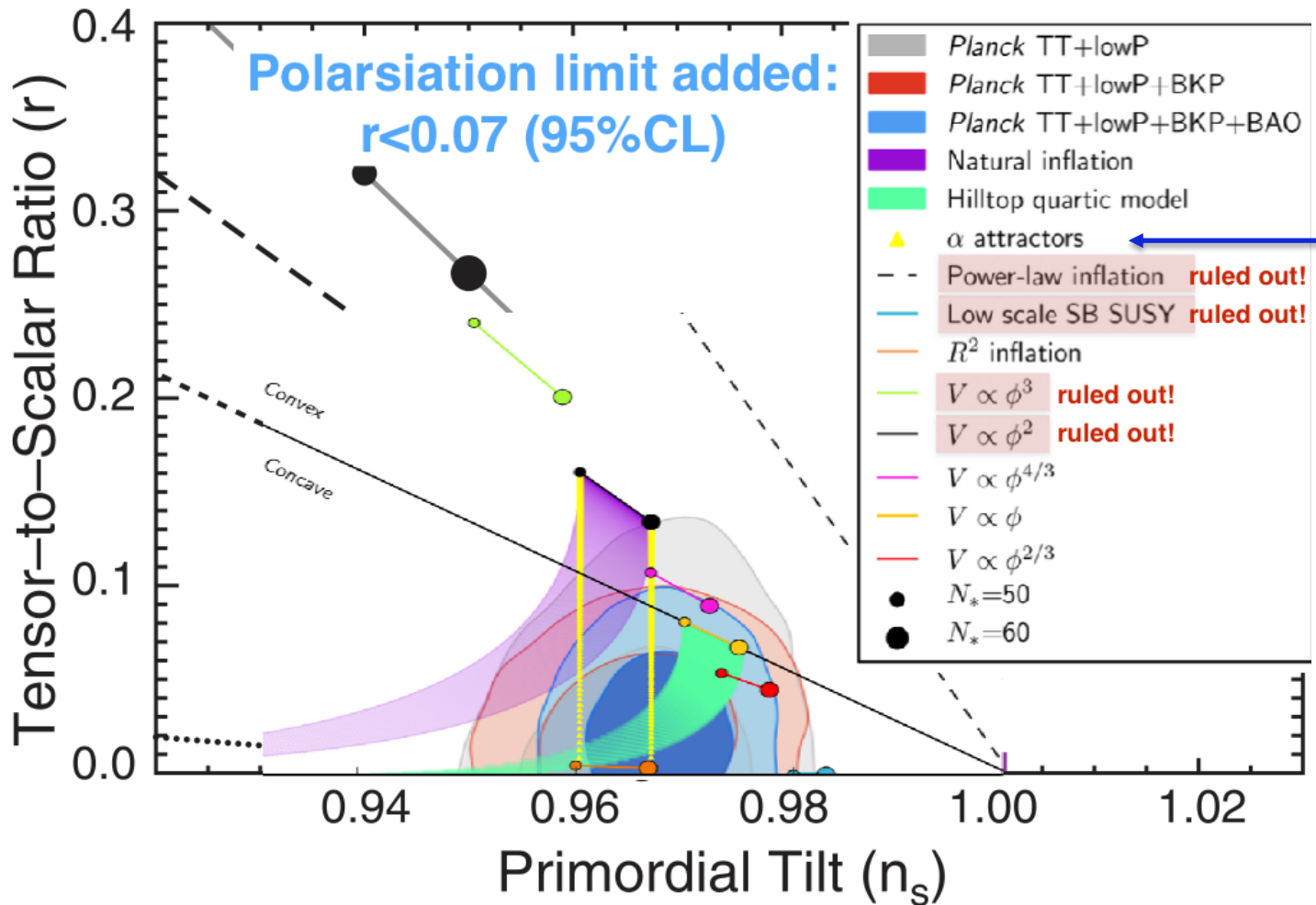
If polarization from GW is found...

Then what? The next step is to nail the specific model of inflation

We are closing in on the first 10^{-35} seconds of the universe, using General Relativity and QFT

E. Komatsu

Planck Collaboration (2015); BICEP2/Keck Collaboration (2016)



RK, Linde, Roest, 2013

Meaning of the measurement of the curvature of the 3d space

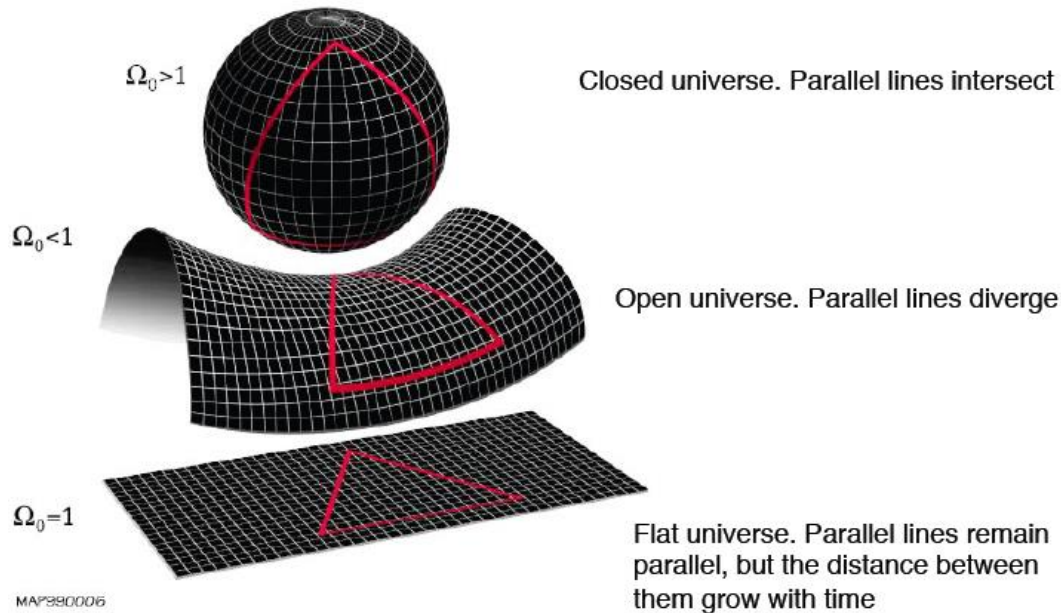
$k=+1, k=-1, k=0$

Spatial curvature parameter

$$ds^2 = -dt^2 + a(t)^2 \gamma_{ij} dx^i dx^j$$

$$\Omega_K = -0.0004 \pm 0.00036$$

Closed, open or flat universe



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In the context of new supergravity cosmological models, measuring r means measuring the curvature of the hyperbolic geometry of the moduli space

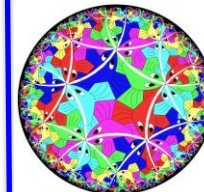
$$n_s = 1 - \frac{2}{N}, \quad r = \alpha \frac{12}{N^2}$$

$$R_K = -\frac{2}{3\alpha}$$

scalar fields are coordinates of the Kahler geometry

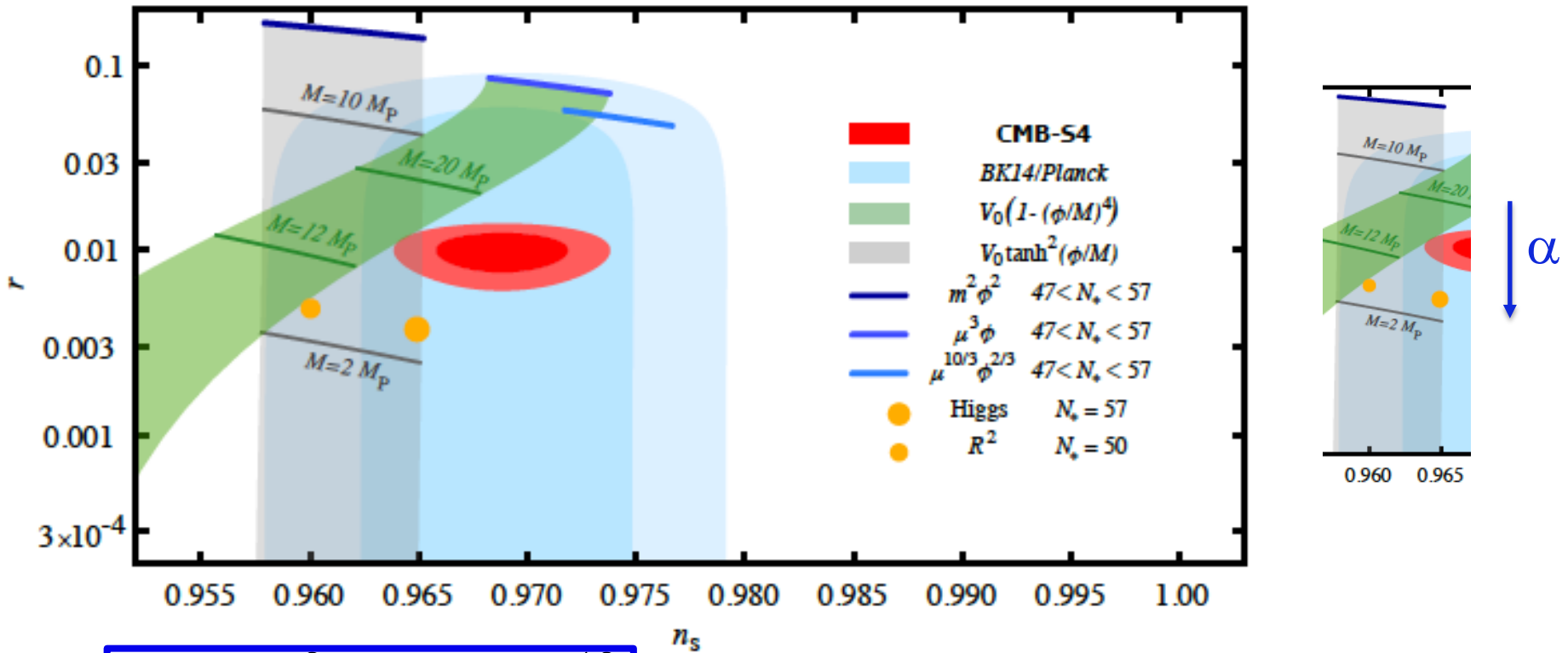
Decreasing r , decreasing α , increasing curvature R_K

$$3\alpha = R_{\text{Escher}}^2 \approx 10^3 r$$



Hyperbolic geometry of a Poincaré disk

Alpha-Attractors and B-mode Targets



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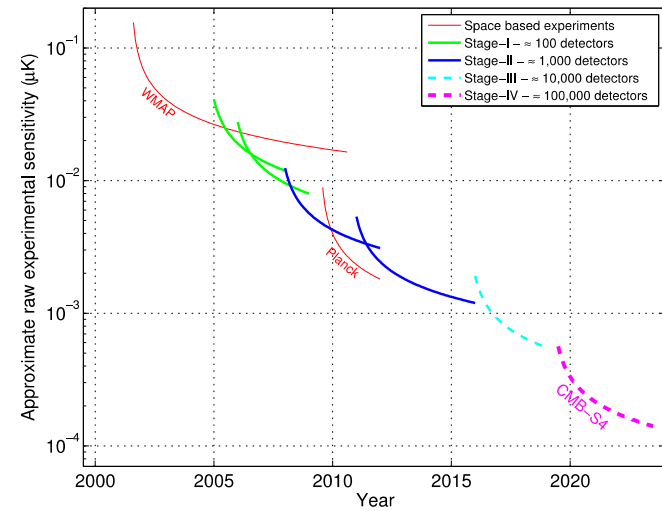
October 2016

Primordial Gravity Waves

Ferrara, RK, 2016,
RK, Linde, Wrase, Yamada,
2017

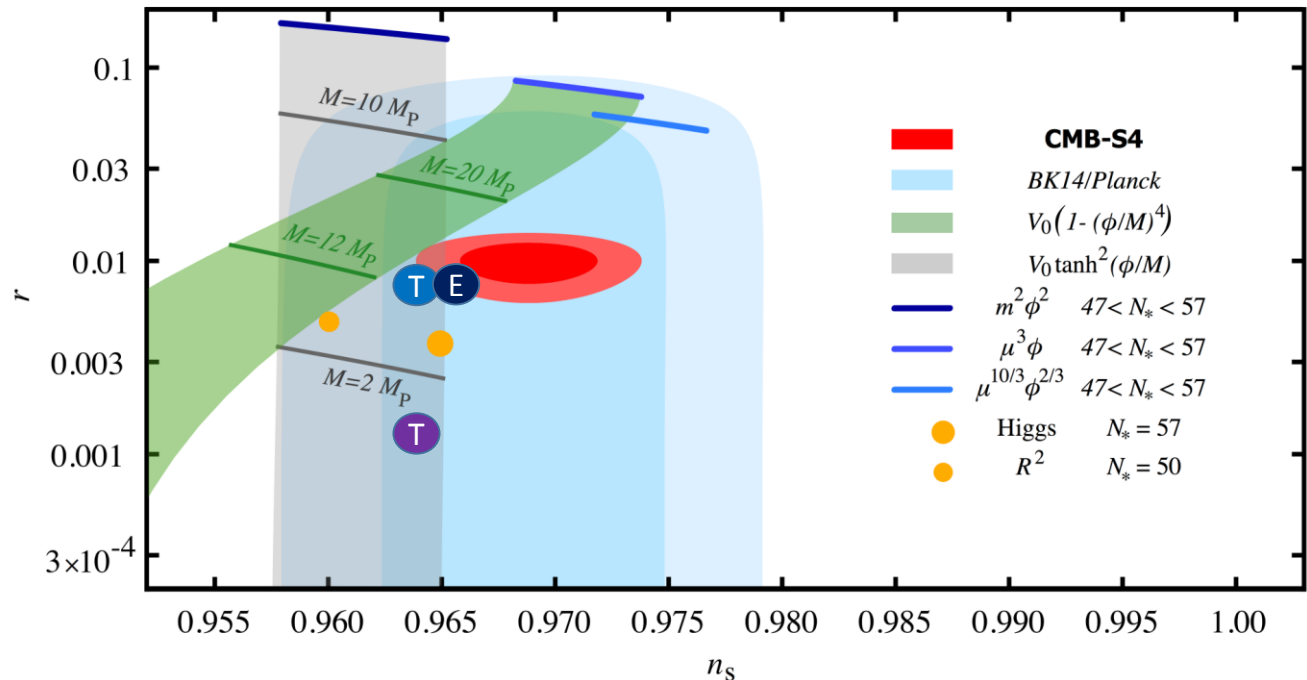
α -attractor models

Well motivated new models originating in string theory, M-theory, maximal supergravity

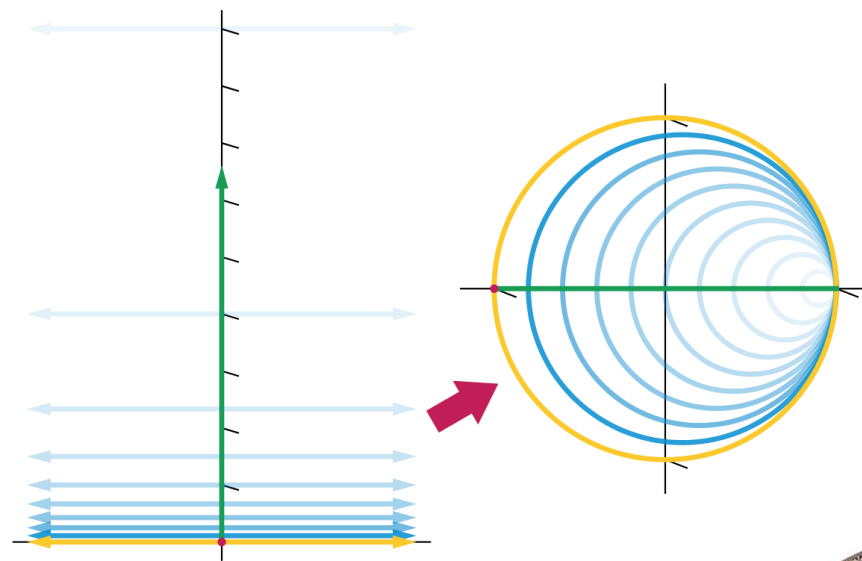


Ground based experiments

Future B-mode satellite missions



From the disk to a half-plane (the Cayley transform)



α -attractors in supergravity

$SL(2, \mathbb{R})$ symmetry

$$ds^2 = \frac{3\alpha}{(1 - Z\bar{Z})^2} dZ d\bar{Z}$$

$$ds^2 = \frac{3\alpha}{(T + \bar{T})^2} dT d\bar{T}$$

$$\mathcal{R}_K = -\frac{2}{3\alpha}$$

Curvature of the moduli space in Kahler geometry

$$Z\bar{Z} < 1$$

Hyperbolic geometry
of a Poincaré disk



$$3\alpha = R_{\text{Escher}}^2 \approx 10^3 r$$

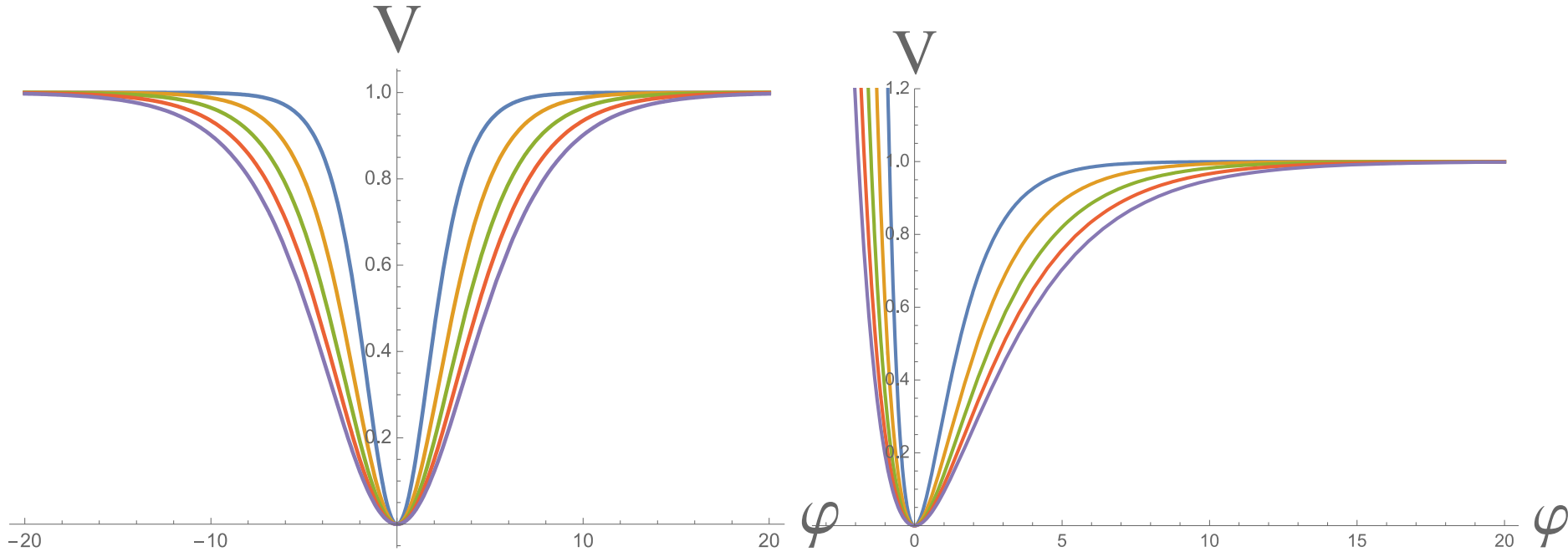
Disk or half-plane

$$T + \bar{T} > 0$$

Escher in the Sky, RK, Linde 2015



Plateau potentials α -attractors



$$\frac{1}{2}R - \frac{1}{2}\partial\varphi^2 - \alpha\mu^2 \left(\tanh \frac{\varphi}{\sqrt{6\alpha}} \right)^2$$

Simplest T-model

in canonical variables

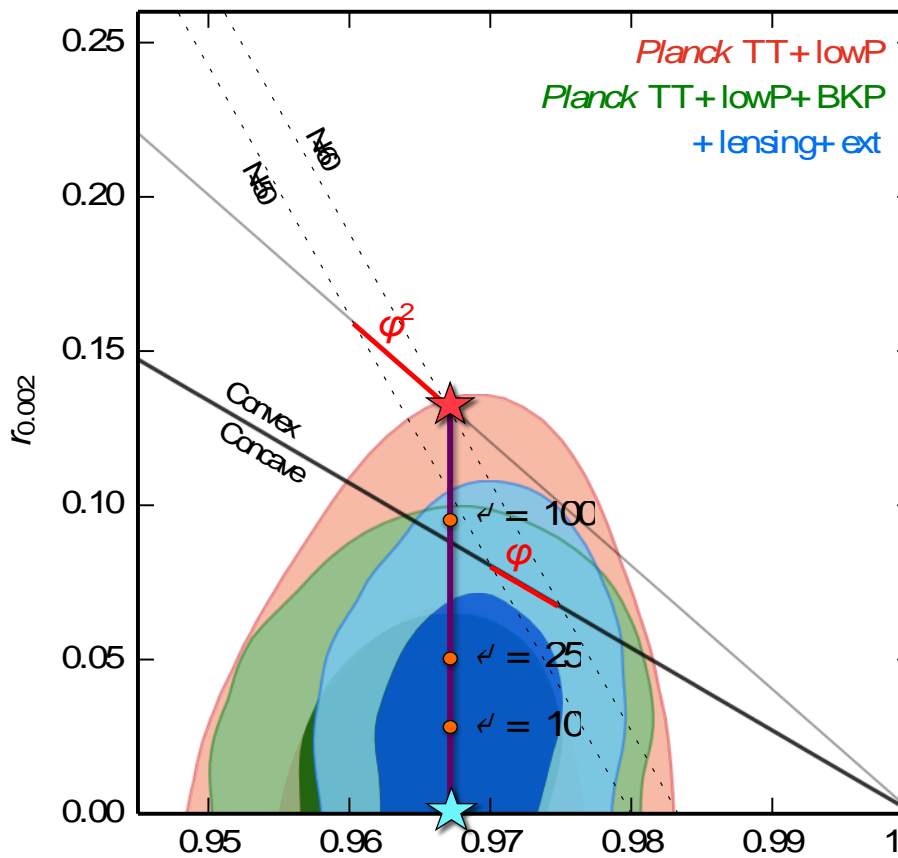
$$\frac{1}{2}R - \frac{1}{2}\partial\varphi^2 - \alpha\mu^2 \left(1 - e^{-\sqrt{\frac{2}{3\alpha}}\varphi} \right)^2$$

Simplest E-model

$$\frac{1}{2}R - 3\alpha \frac{\partial Z \partial \bar{Z}}{(1 - Z\bar{Z})^2} - V_0 Z \bar{Z}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}R - 3\alpha \frac{\partial T \partial \bar{T}}{(T + \bar{T})^2} - V_0 (T - 1)^2$$

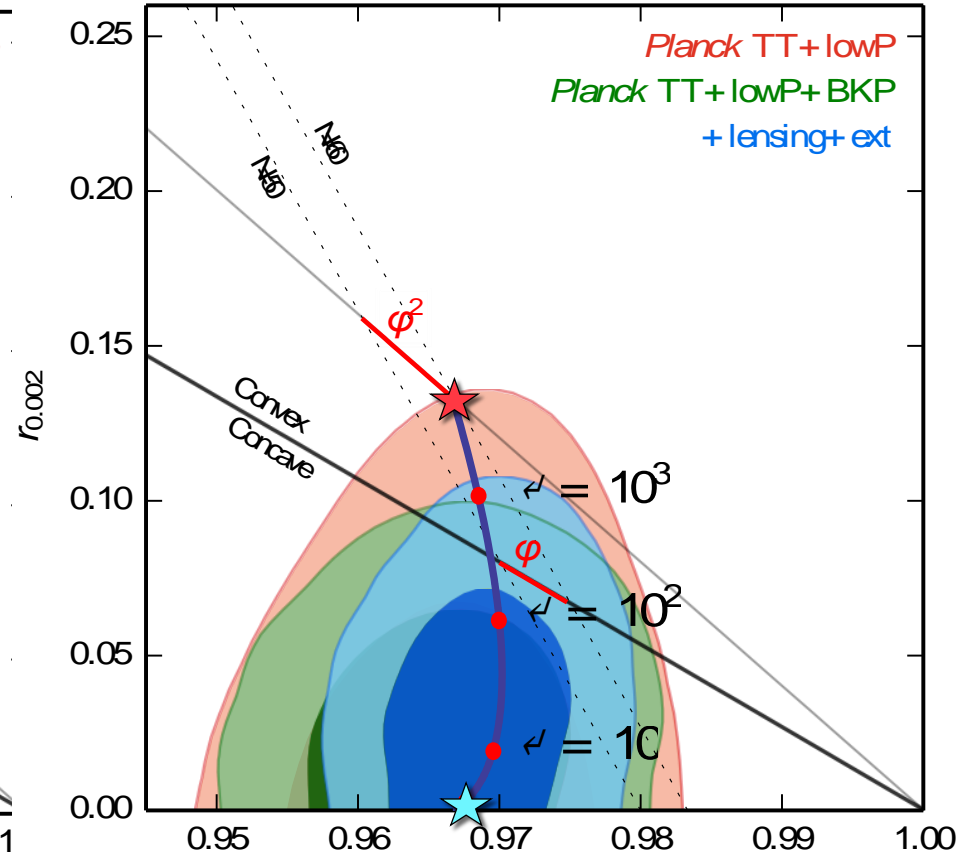
In geometric variables



$$\frac{1}{2}R - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial \phi^2}{\left(1 - \frac{\phi^2}{6\alpha}\right)^2} - \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi^2$$

Simplest T-models

RK, Linde, Roest 2013



$$\frac{1}{2}R - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial \phi^2}{\left(1 - \frac{\phi^2}{6\alpha}\right)^2} - \frac{1}{2} m^2 \frac{\phi^2}{\left(1 + \frac{\phi}{\sqrt{6\alpha}}\right)^2}$$

Simplest E-models

Ferrara, RK, Linde, Porrati, 2013

- **Maximal supersymmetry and B-modes**

2016, Ferrara and RK

- M-theory in d=11
- Superstring theory in d=10
- N=8 supergravity in d=4

Scalars are coordinates of the coset space in N=8 supergravity in d=4 $\frac{G}{H} = \frac{E_{7(7)}}{SU(8)}$

$$E_{7(7)}(\mathbb{R}) \supset [SL(2, \mathbb{R})]^7$$

Geometries with discrete number of unit size Poincaré disks are possible when consistent reduction of supersymmetry is performed. Upon identification of their moduli one finds

$$ds^2 = k \frac{dT d\bar{T}}{(T + \bar{T})^2}, \quad k = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 = 3 \alpha$$

At least one disk and no more than seven

N=55 e-foldings

$$n_s \approx 0.963$$

$$r \approx \{1.3, 2.6, 3.9, 5.2, 6.5, 7.8, 9.1\} \times 10^{-3}$$

7-disk cosmological model

RK, Linde, Wrase, Yamada, 2017

1. Start with M-theory, or String theory, or N=8 supergravity
2. Perform a consistent truncation to N=1 supergravity in d=4 with a 7-disk manifold

$$K_0 = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^7 \ln \left(\frac{(\tau_i + \bar{\tau}_i)^2}{4\tau_i \bar{\tau}_i} \right)$$

Tessellation

3. Add a superpotential preserving N=1 supersymmetry with a minimum at

$$W_0 = M \left(\sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq p} (\tau_i - \tau_j)^2 + \sum_{i=p+1}^7 (\tau_i - c)^2 \right)$$

$$D_i W_0 = 0$$

4. Add a cosmological part with a nilpotent stabilizer S

$$K_1 = S\bar{S} \quad W_1 = Sf \left(\sum_i \tau_i \right) + g$$

5. Run Mathematica: the model works beautifully

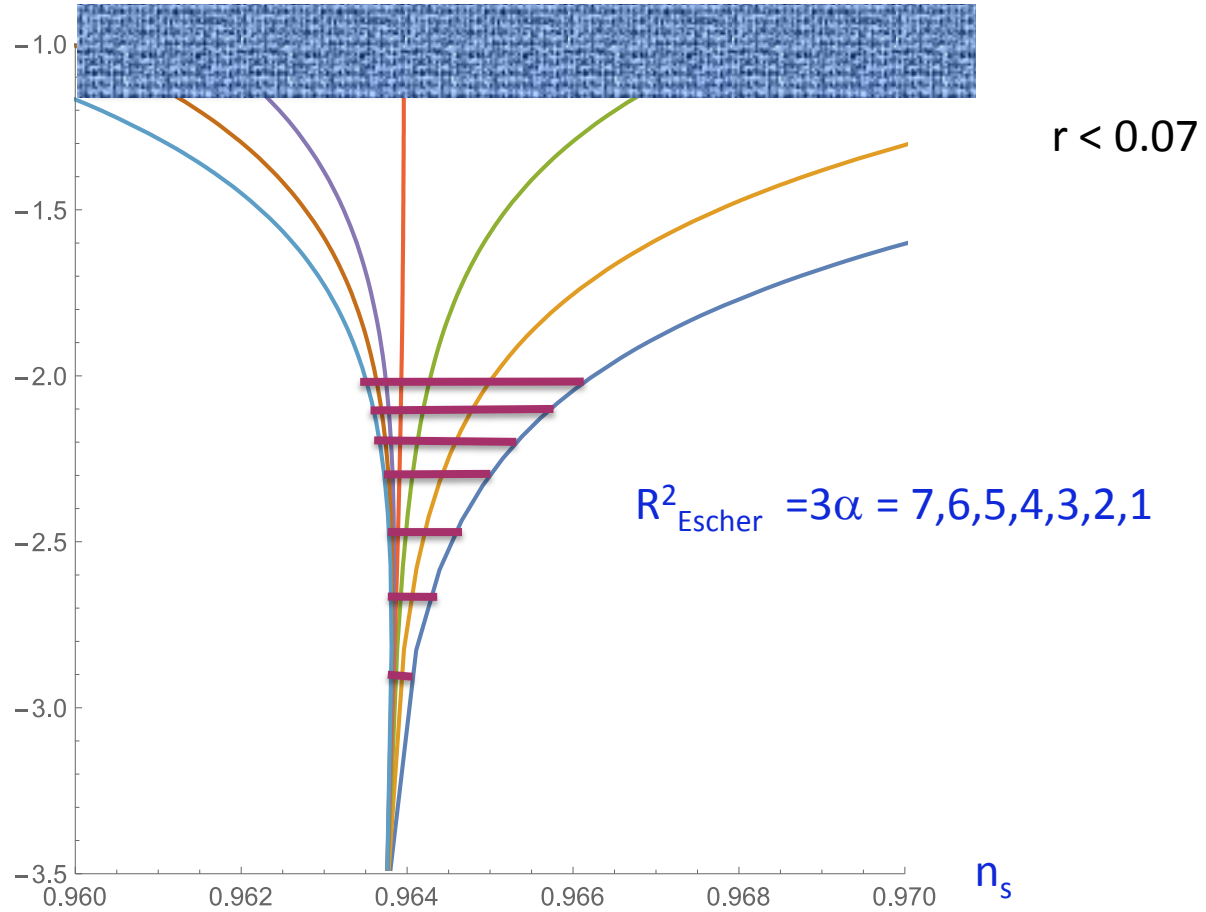
$$3\alpha = 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1$$


$$r \approx 3\alpha \frac{4}{N^2} \quad n_s \approx 1 - \frac{2}{N}$$

Why do we find it useful to talk about the size of the Escher's disks in discussions of the CMB future B-mode targets ?

B-mode targets: from maximal supersymmetry to minimal supersymmetry

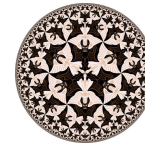
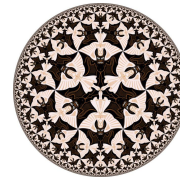
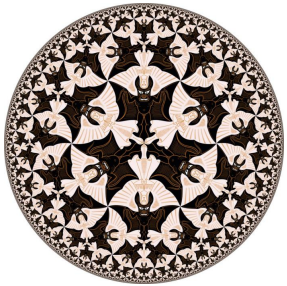
α -attractors $\log_{10} r$ - n_s plane



Based on CMB data on the value of the tilt of the spectrum n_s as a function of N we have deduced that hyperbolic geometry of a Poincaré disk  suggests a way to explain the experimental formula

$$n_s \approx 1 - \frac{2}{N}$$

Using a consistent reduction from maximal $N=8$ supersymmetry theories: M-theory in $d=11$, String theory in $d=10$, maximal supergravity in $d=4$, to the minimal $N=1$ supersymmetry we have deduced the favorite models with hyperbolic geometry with $R^2_{\text{Escher}} = 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1$

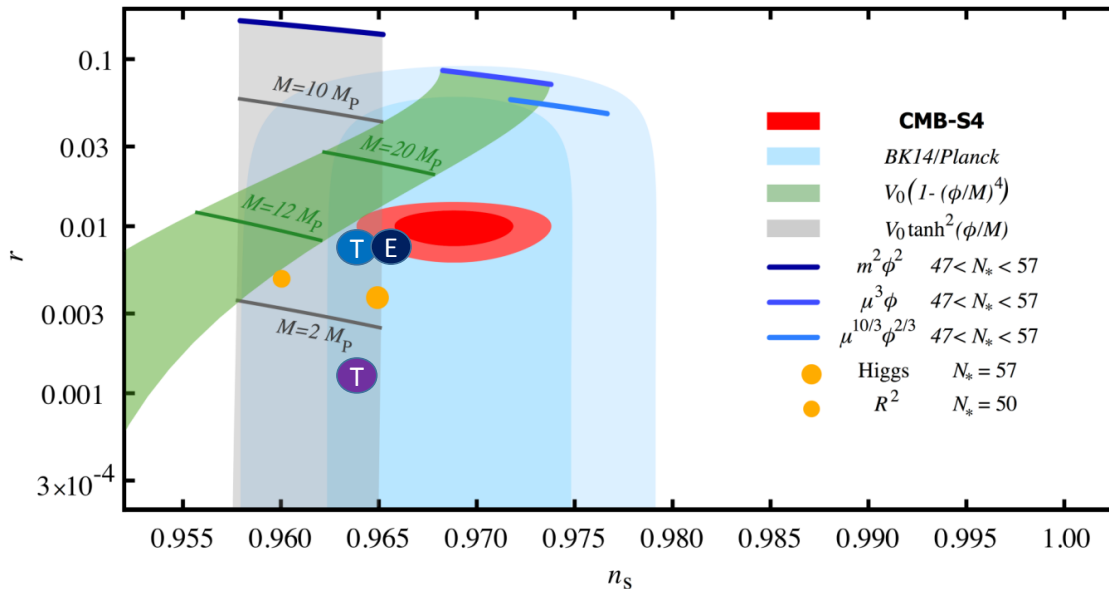


$$r \approx 0.9 \times 10^{-2}$$

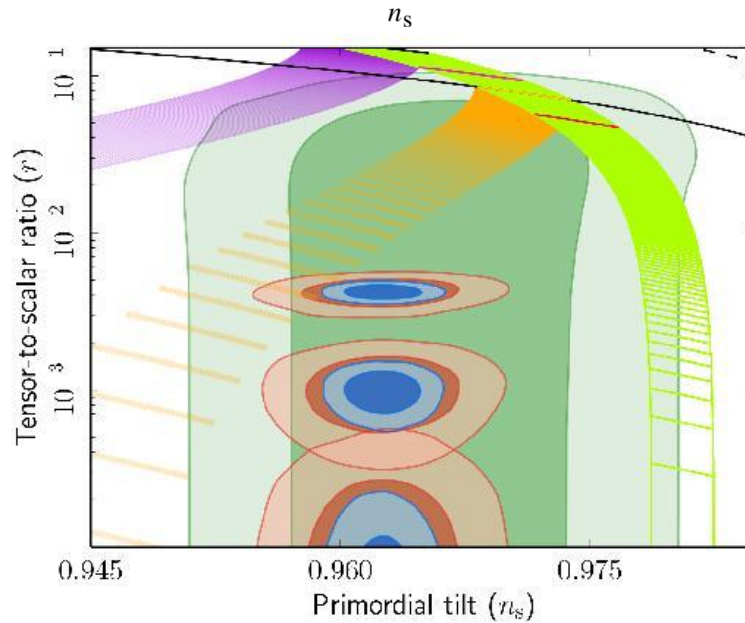
$$r \approx 1.3 \times 10^{-3}$$

B-mode targets

In contrast with $N=1$ supersymmetry models where R^2_{Escher} is arbitrary



Ground based detectors



CORE : Cosmic Origin Explorer

Satellite missions

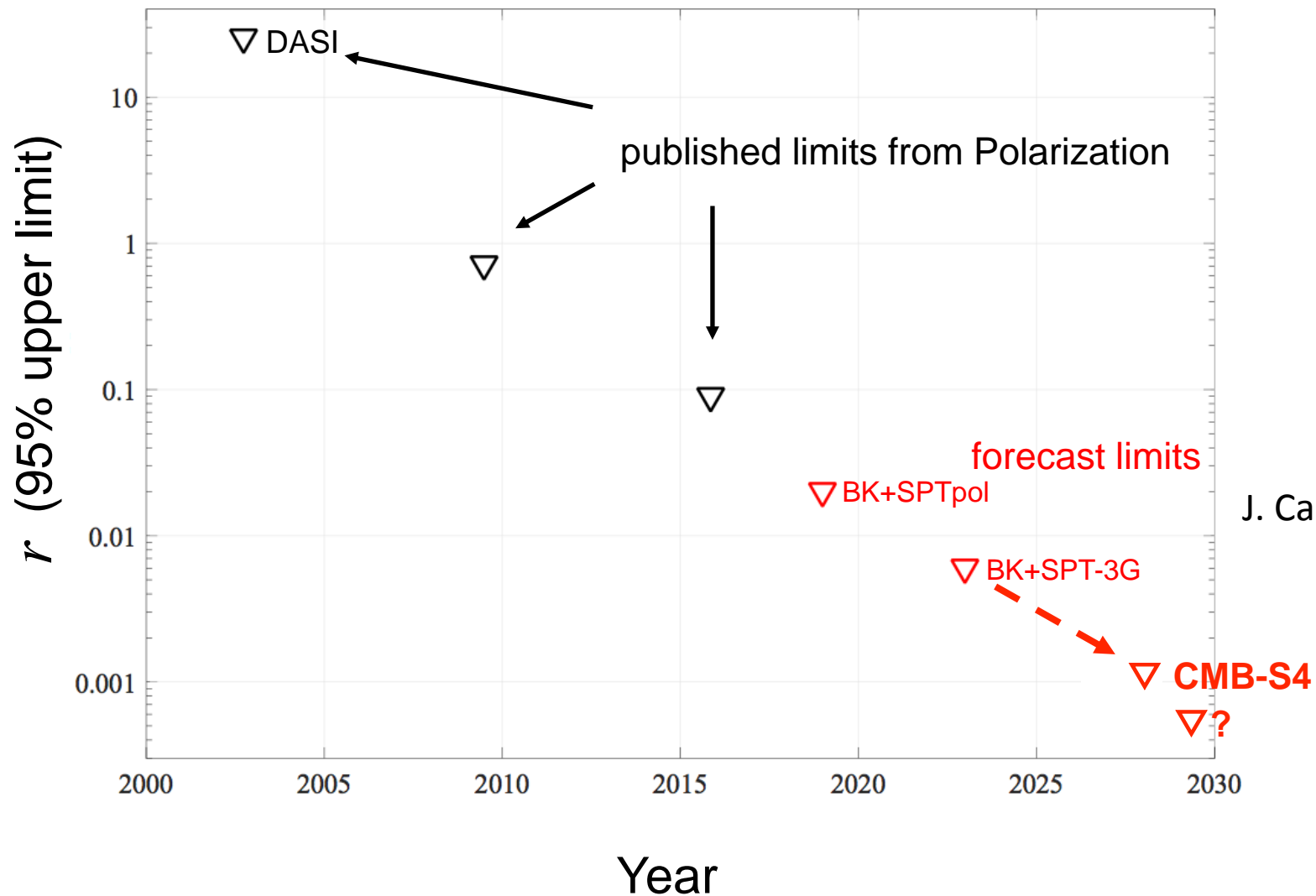
$$\sigma(n_s) = 0.0014$$

Improvement factor
CORE to Planck 2015

3.4

forecast regions for (n_s, r) for
CORE
(blue) and LiteBIRD (red)

Published and forecasted r constraints



★HAPPY★
BIRTHDAY!

Keith

