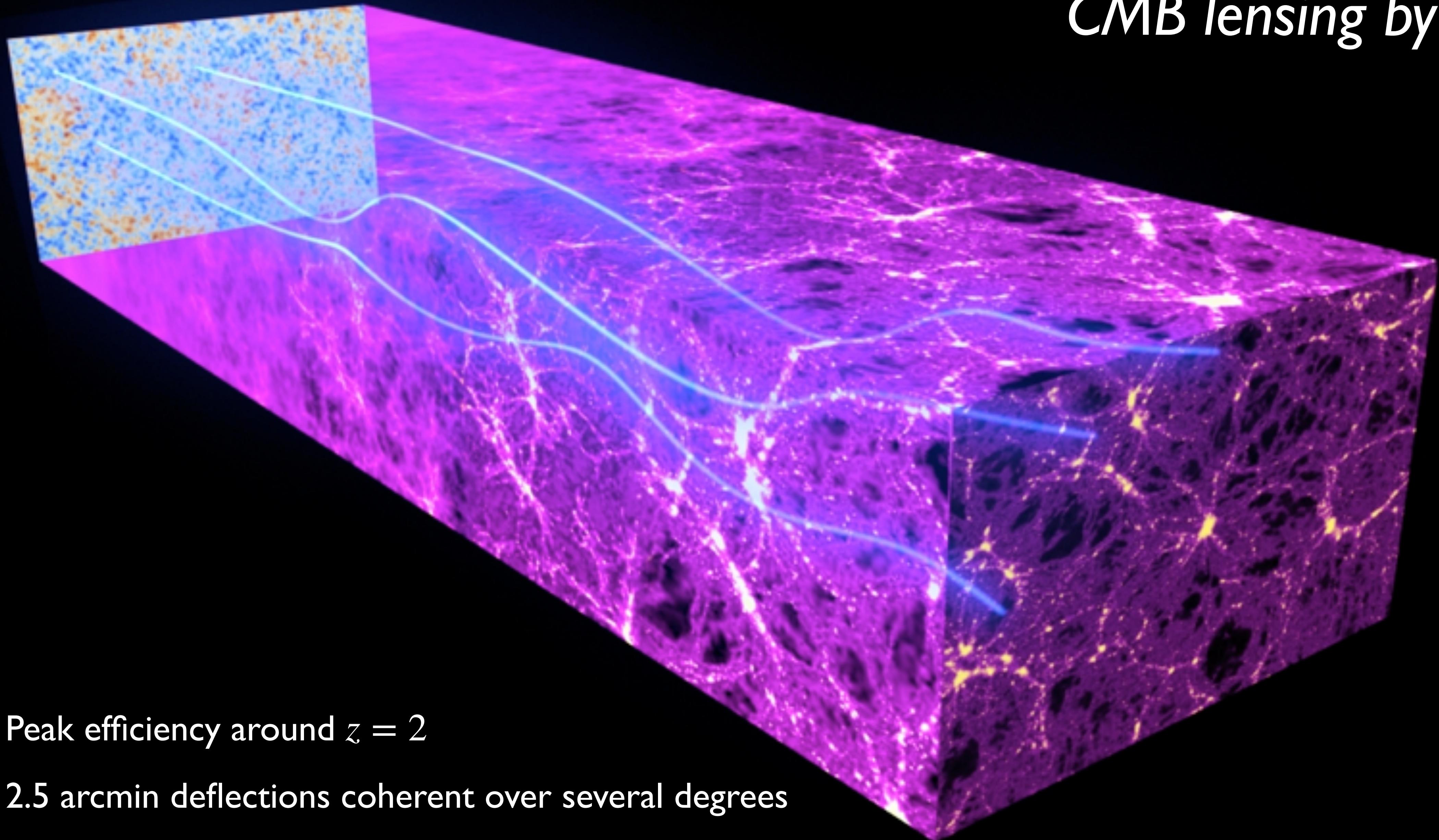


# Backlighting large-scale structure with the CMB

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# *CMB lensing by LSS*

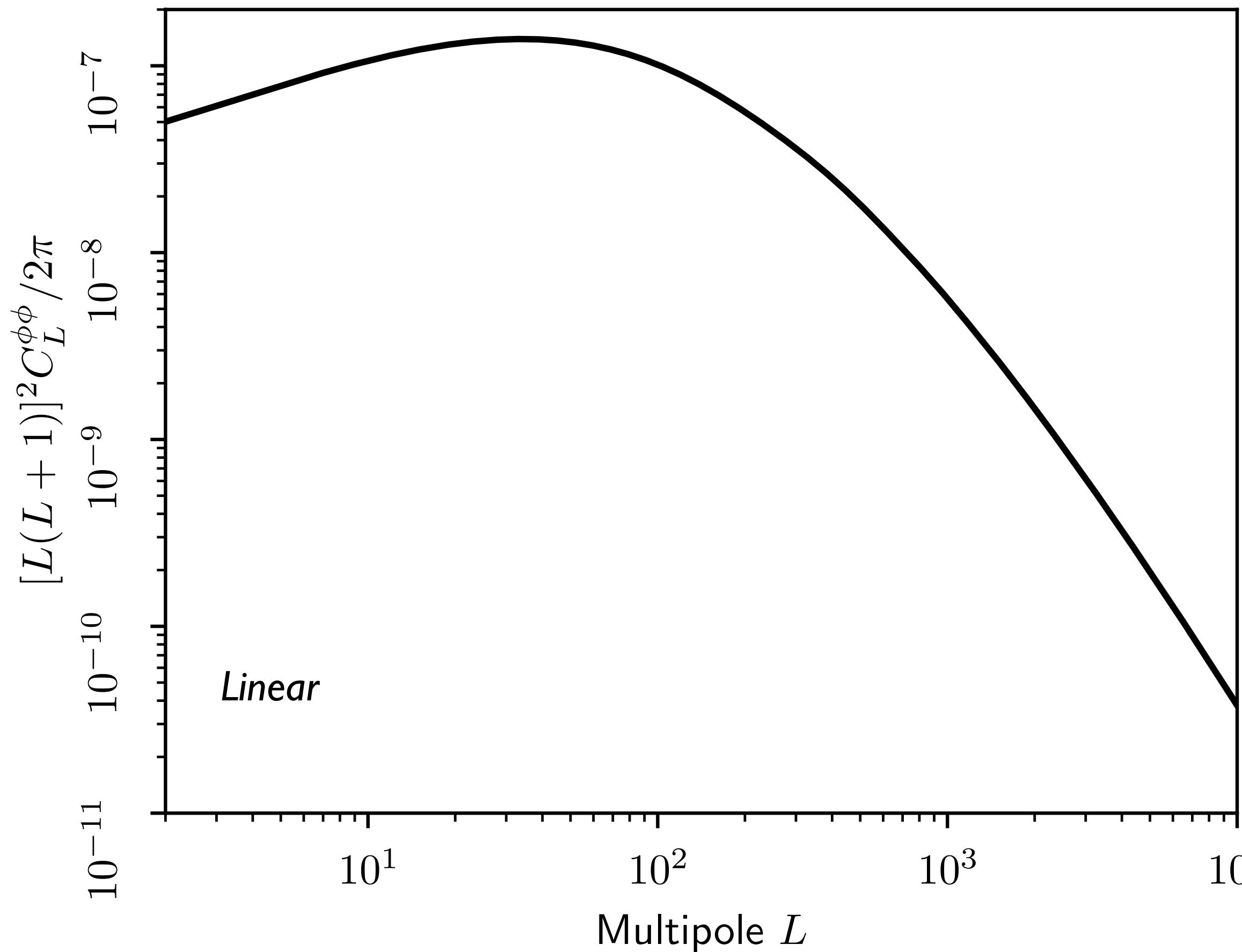


- Peak efficiency around  $z = 2$
- 2.5 arcmin deflections coherent over several degrees

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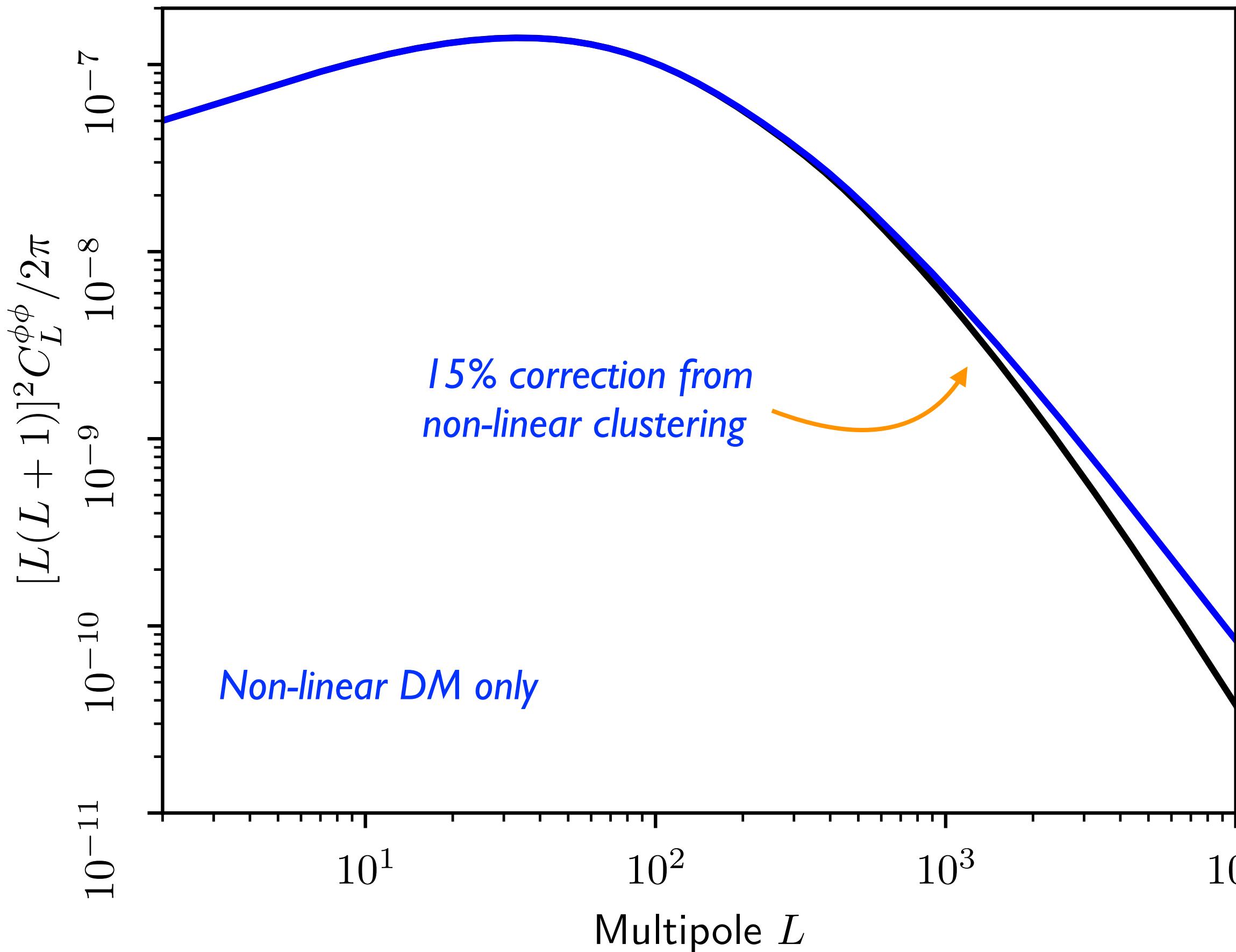


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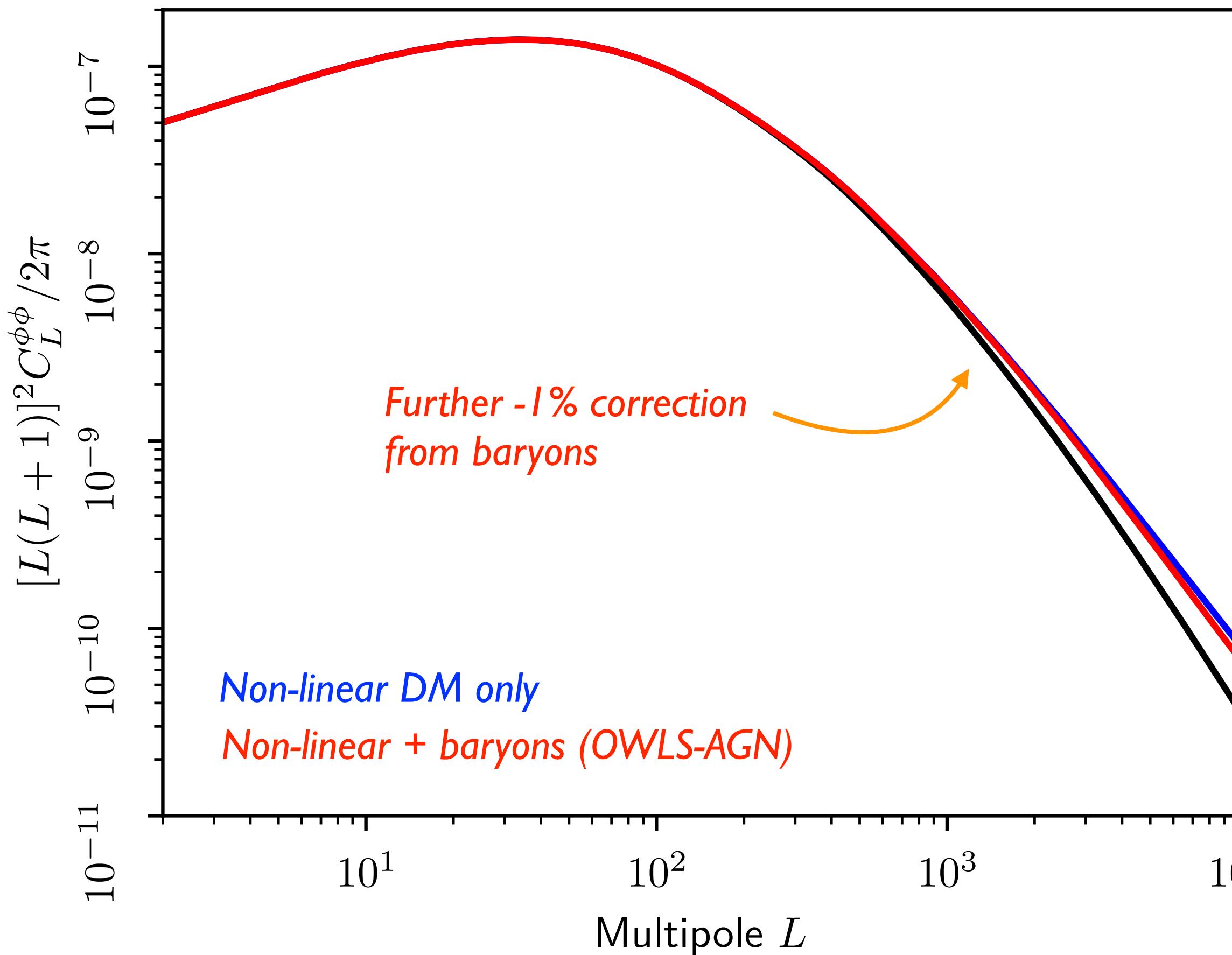


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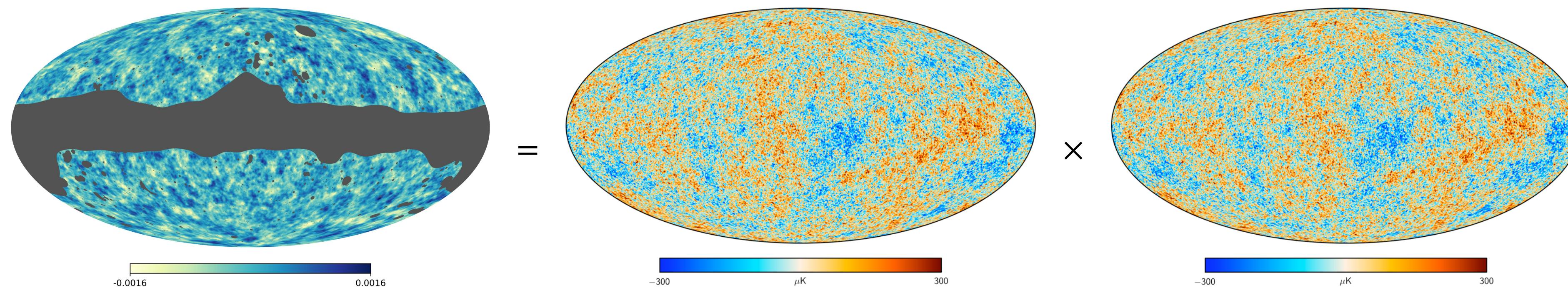
- Fixed lenses  $\phi$  introduce anisotropic correlations in lensed CMB, e.g., for  $T$ :

$$\langle T(\ell)T(L - \ell) \rangle_{\text{CMB}} = L \cdot \underbrace{\left[ \ell C_\ell^{TT} + (L - \ell) C_{|L-\ell|}^{TT} \right]}_{W^{TT}(\ell, L)} \phi(L)$$

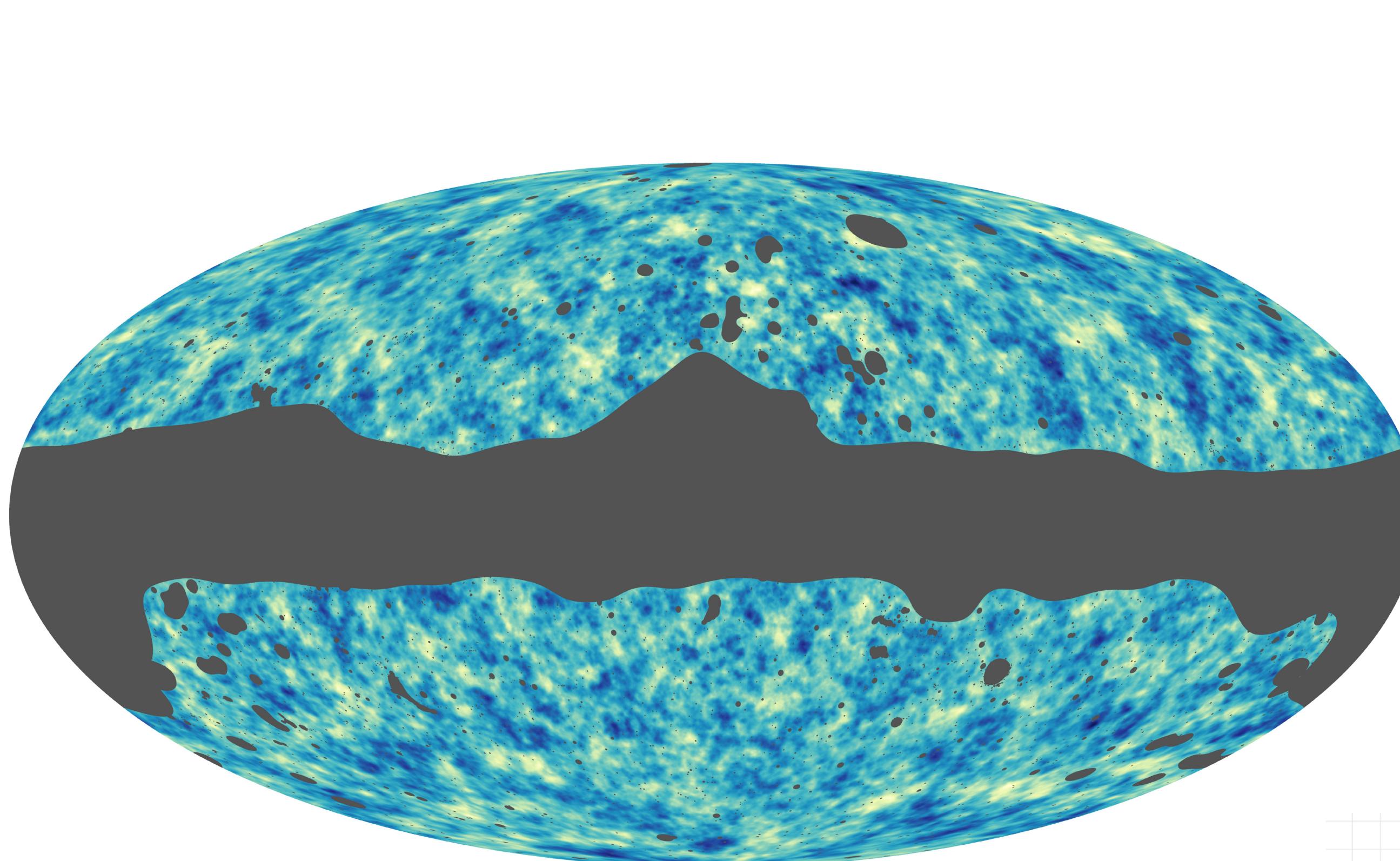
- Statistical (noisy) reconstruction of  $\phi$  from quadratic combinations of CMB fields, e.g.,

$$\hat{\phi}(L) = \frac{1}{\mathcal{R}_L^{TT}} \int \frac{d^2\ell}{(2\pi)^2} W^{TT}(\ell, L) \bar{T}(\ell) \bar{T}(L - \ell)$$

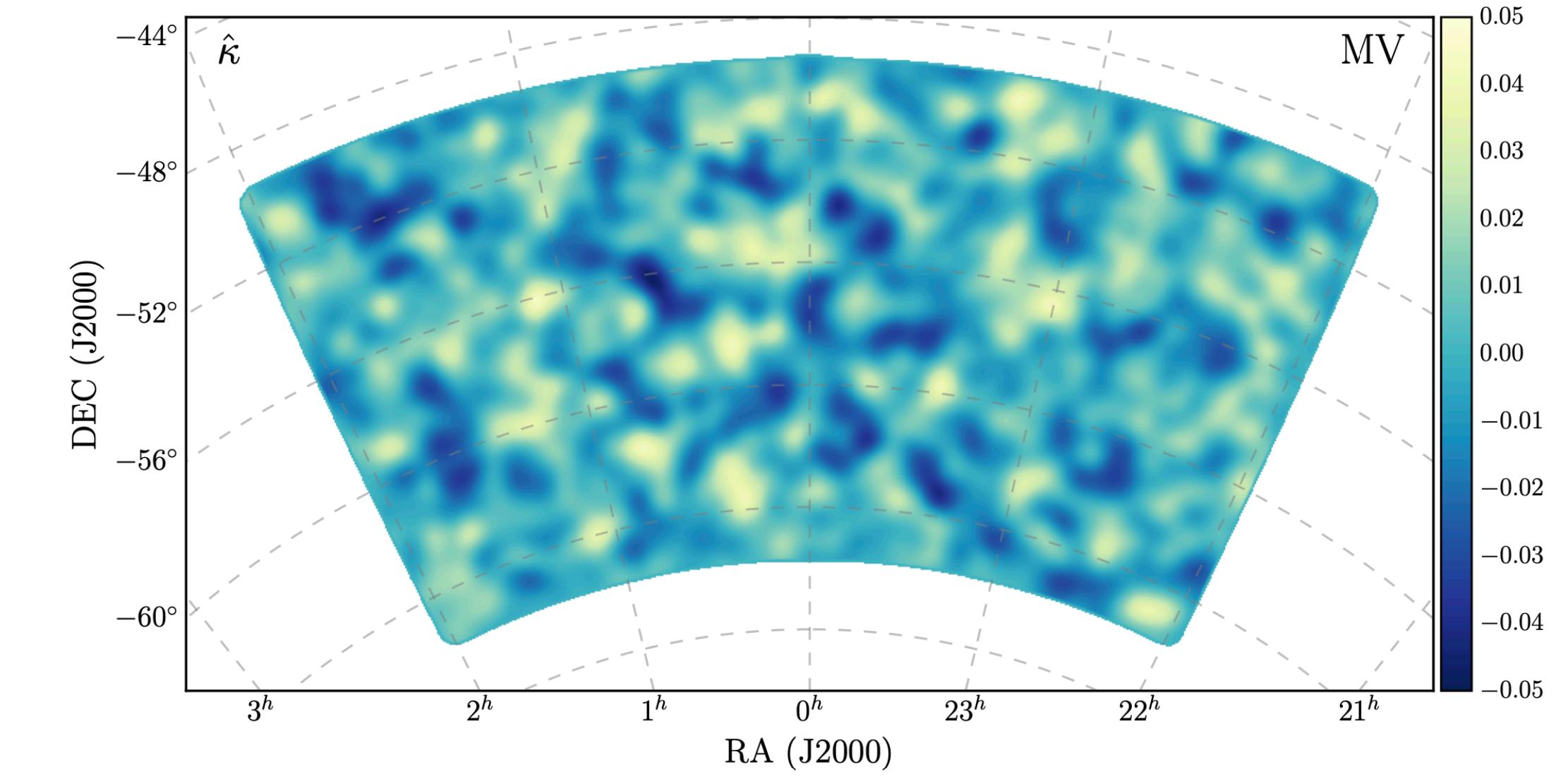
*Normalisation*      *Known response to lensing*      *Inverse-variance-filtered CMB fields*



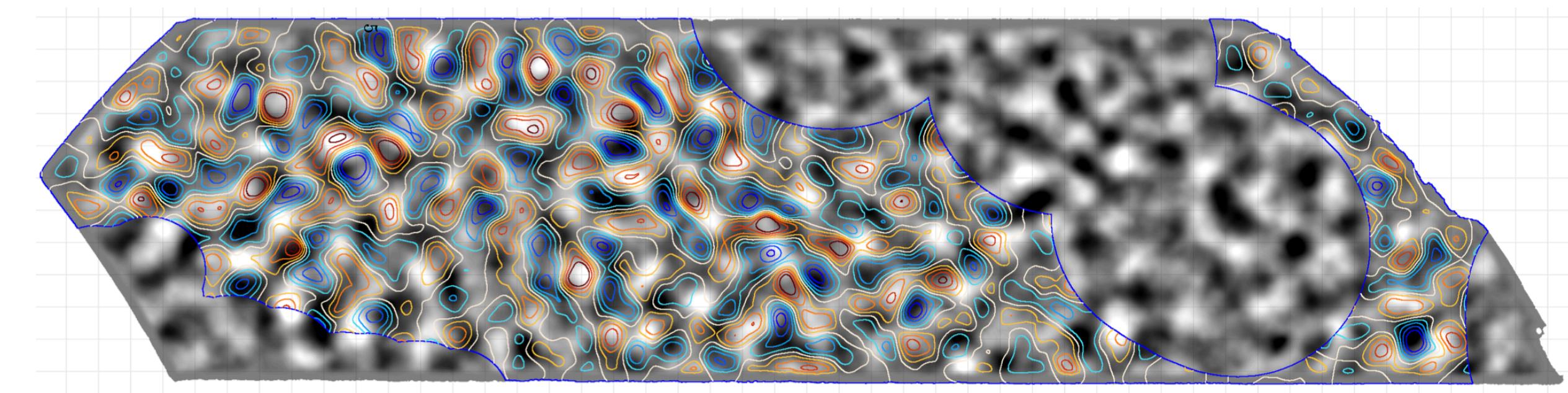
# Reconstructed CMB lensing maps



Planck 2018



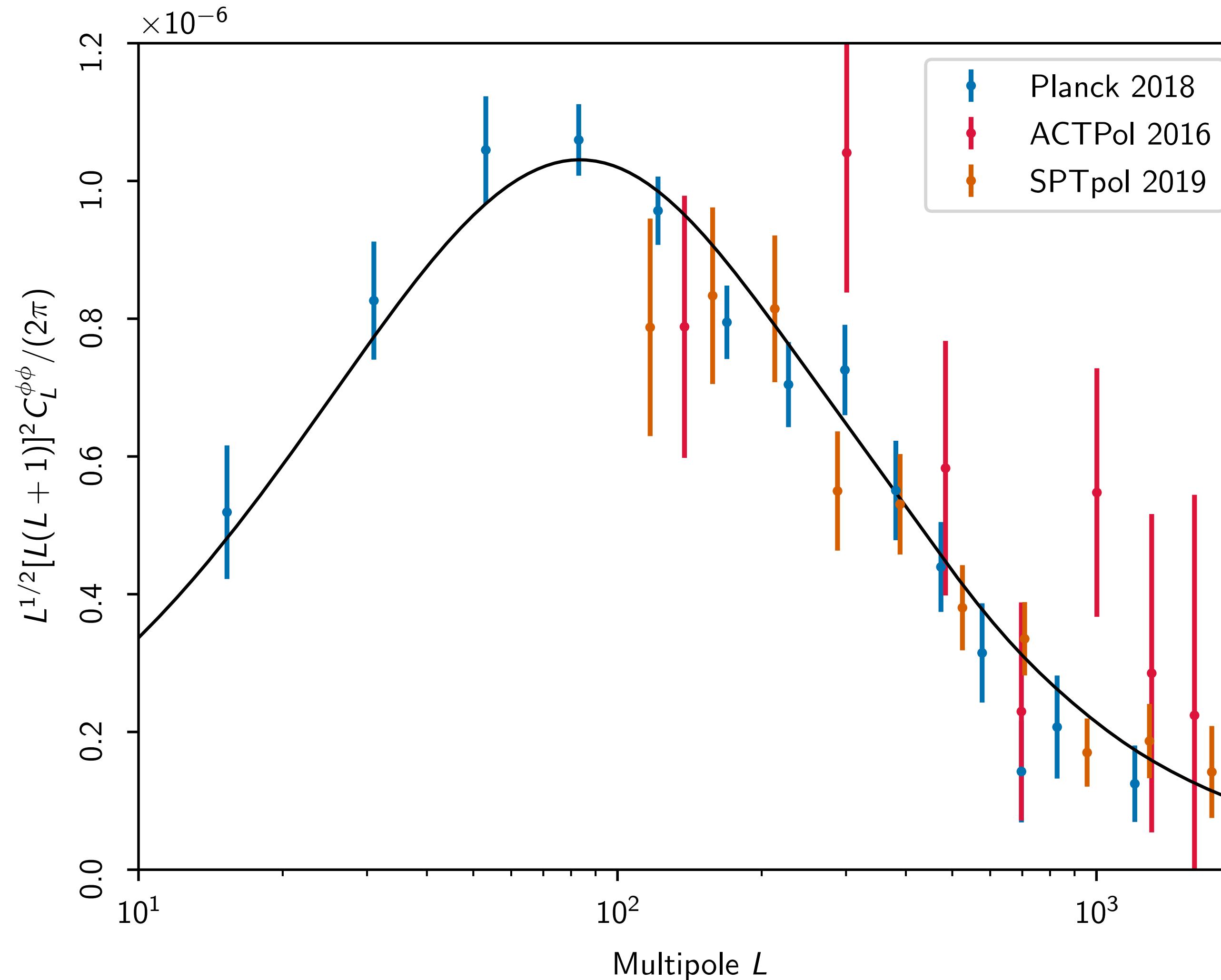
SPT – Wu+ 2019



ACT – Darwish+ 2021

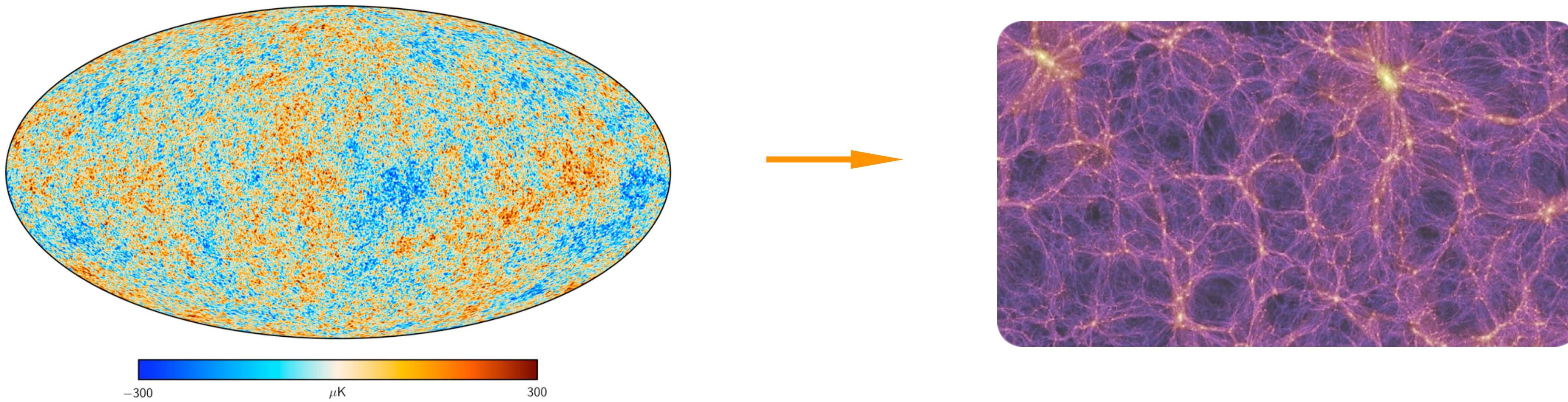
# CMB lensing power reconstruction

$$\hat{C}_L^{\phi\phi} \sim \hat{\phi}(T, T)\hat{\phi}(T, T) - \text{Disconnected bias} - N_L^{(1)}$$



# Testing LCDM structure growth

- Do late-time observations of large-scale structure match LCDM predictions, calibrated on high- $z$  CMB?



Calibrate LCDM parameters on  
primary CMB fluctuations at  $z \approx 1100$

Predict statistics (e.g., power spectrum) of  
clustering at low  $z$  and compare with  
observations

# *LCDM parameter dependencies*

- In Limber approximation

$$L^4 C_L^{\phi\phi} = 4 \int_0^{\chi_*} d\chi \underbrace{(k \times k^3 P_\Psi)}_{(k = L/\chi; \eta_0 - \chi)} (1 - \chi/\chi_*)^2$$

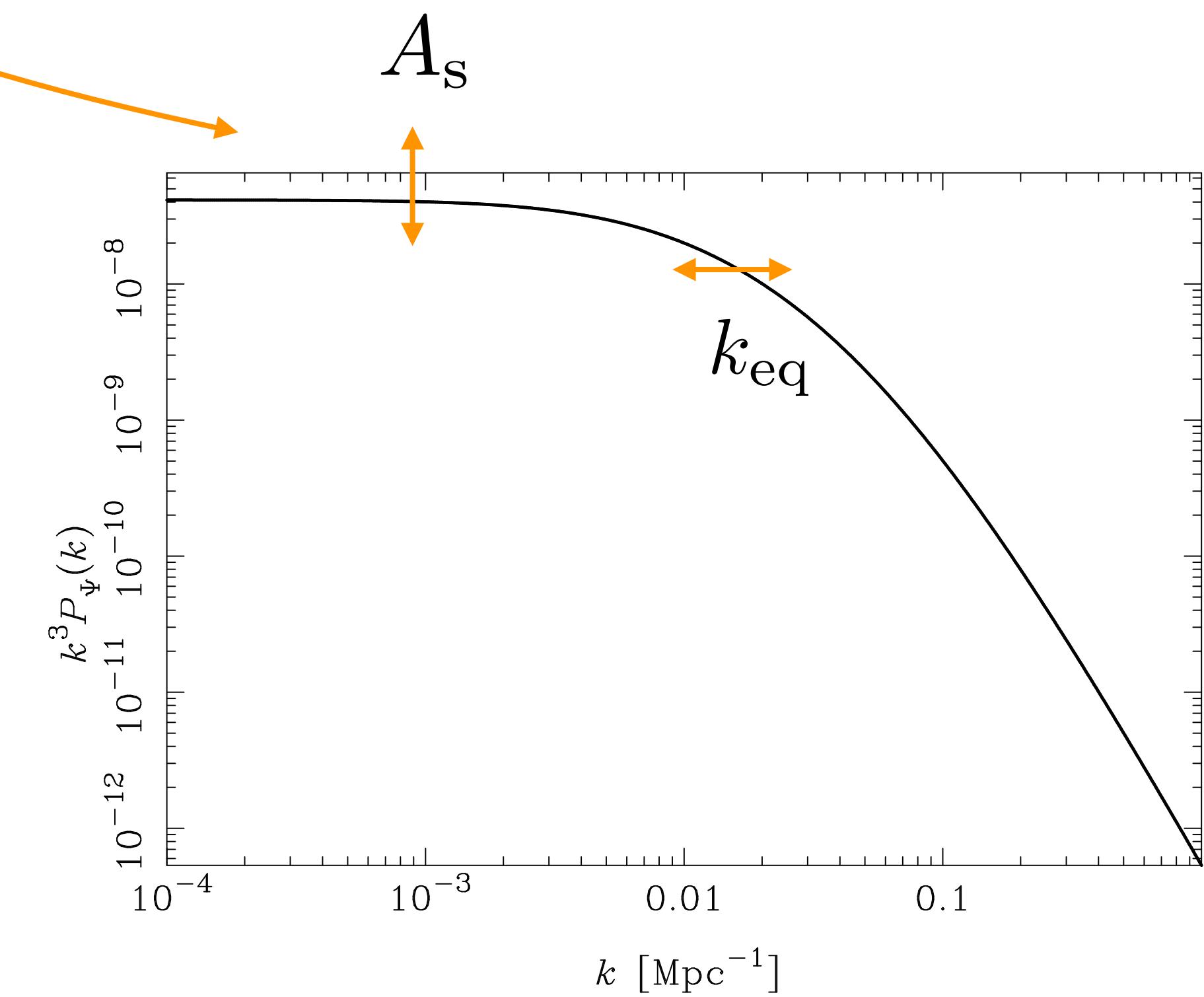
Can ignore time dependence for  
 $L > 100$

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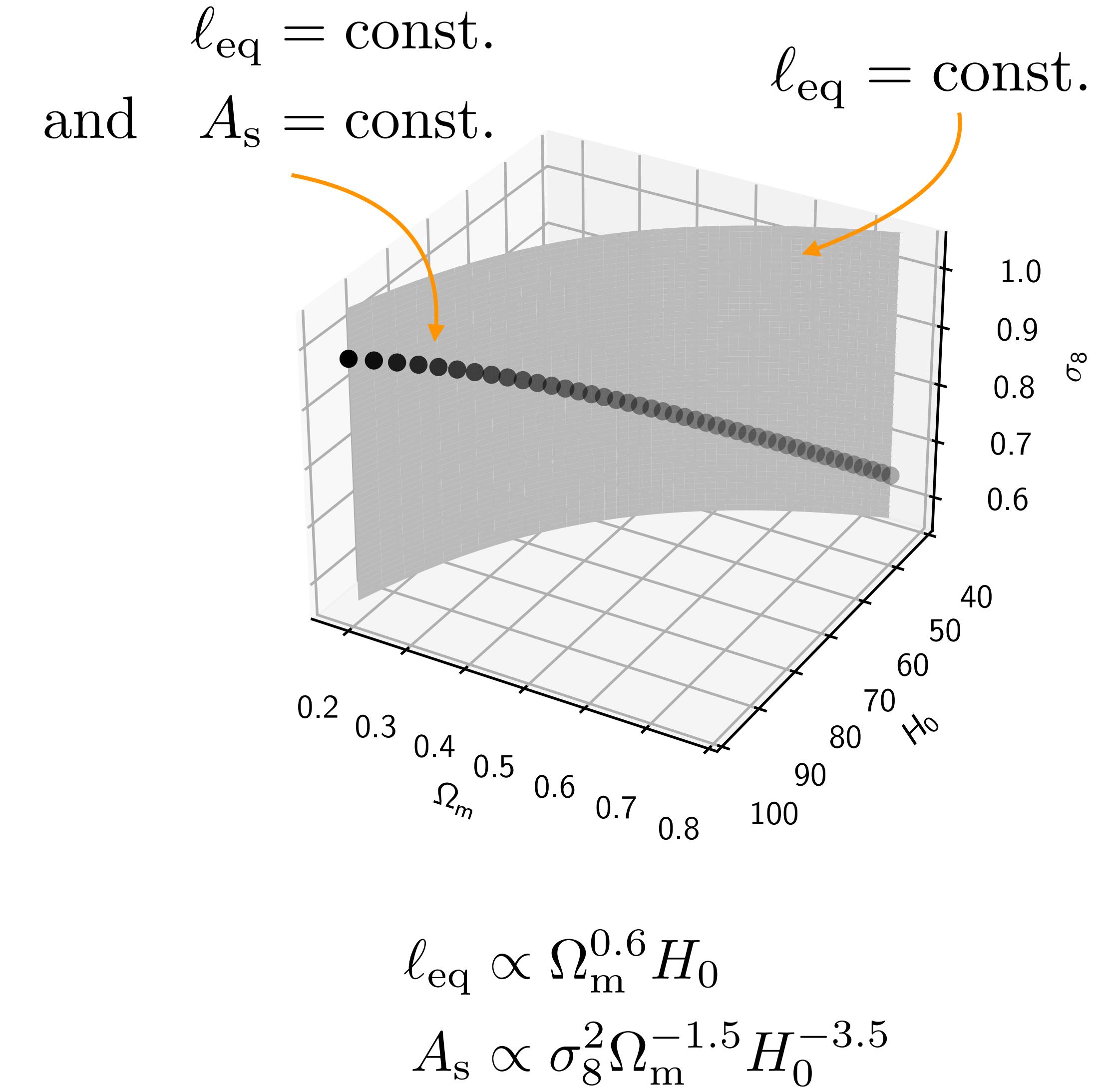
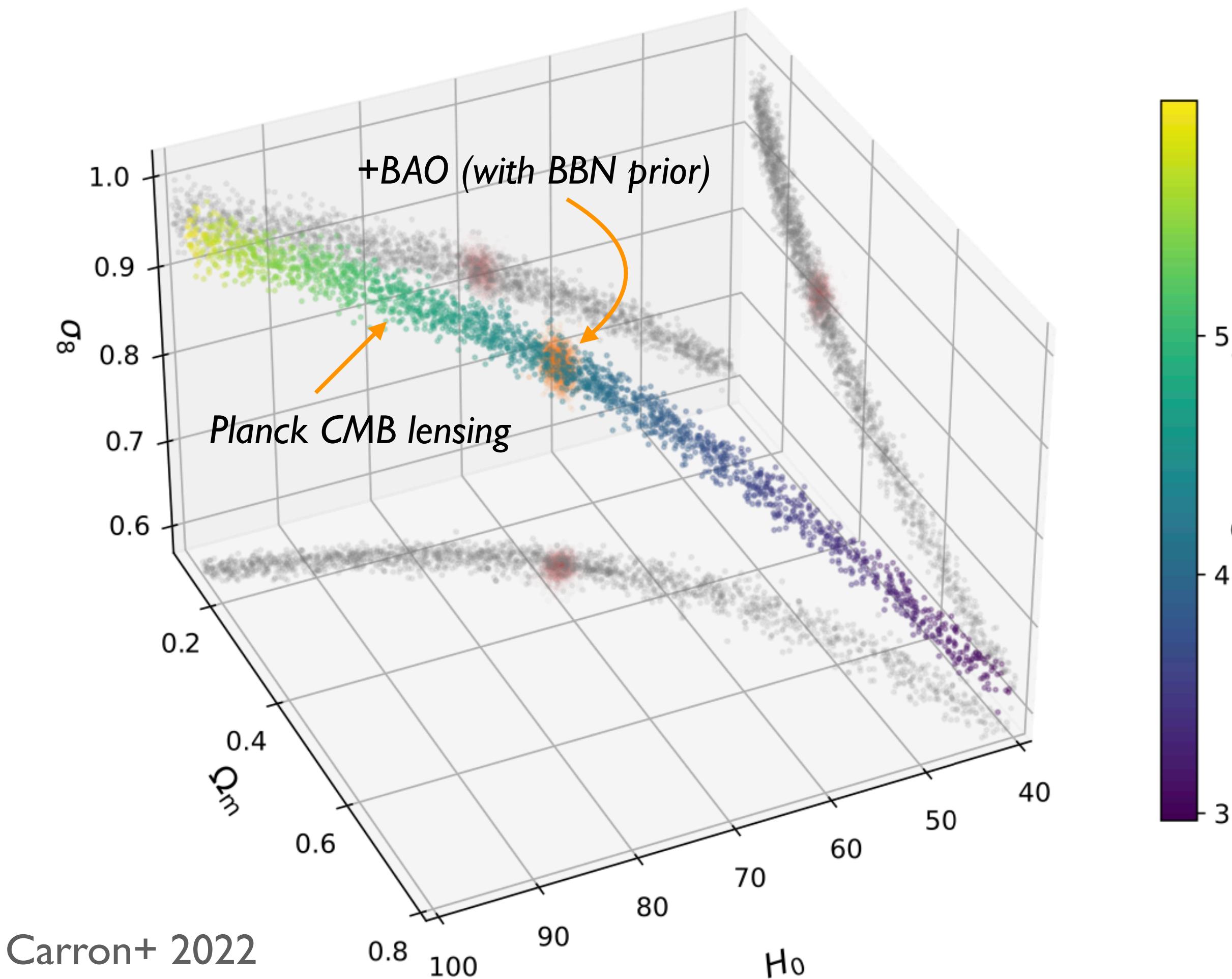
$$C_L^{\phi\phi} \sim (A_s \ell_{\text{eq}}) f(L/\ell_{\text{eq}}) \quad (\ell_{\text{eq}} \equiv k_{\text{eq}} \chi_*)$$

(Mean-squared deflection)  $\times$  (no. of  $k_{\text{eq}}^{-1}$  scale lenses in  $\chi_*$ )

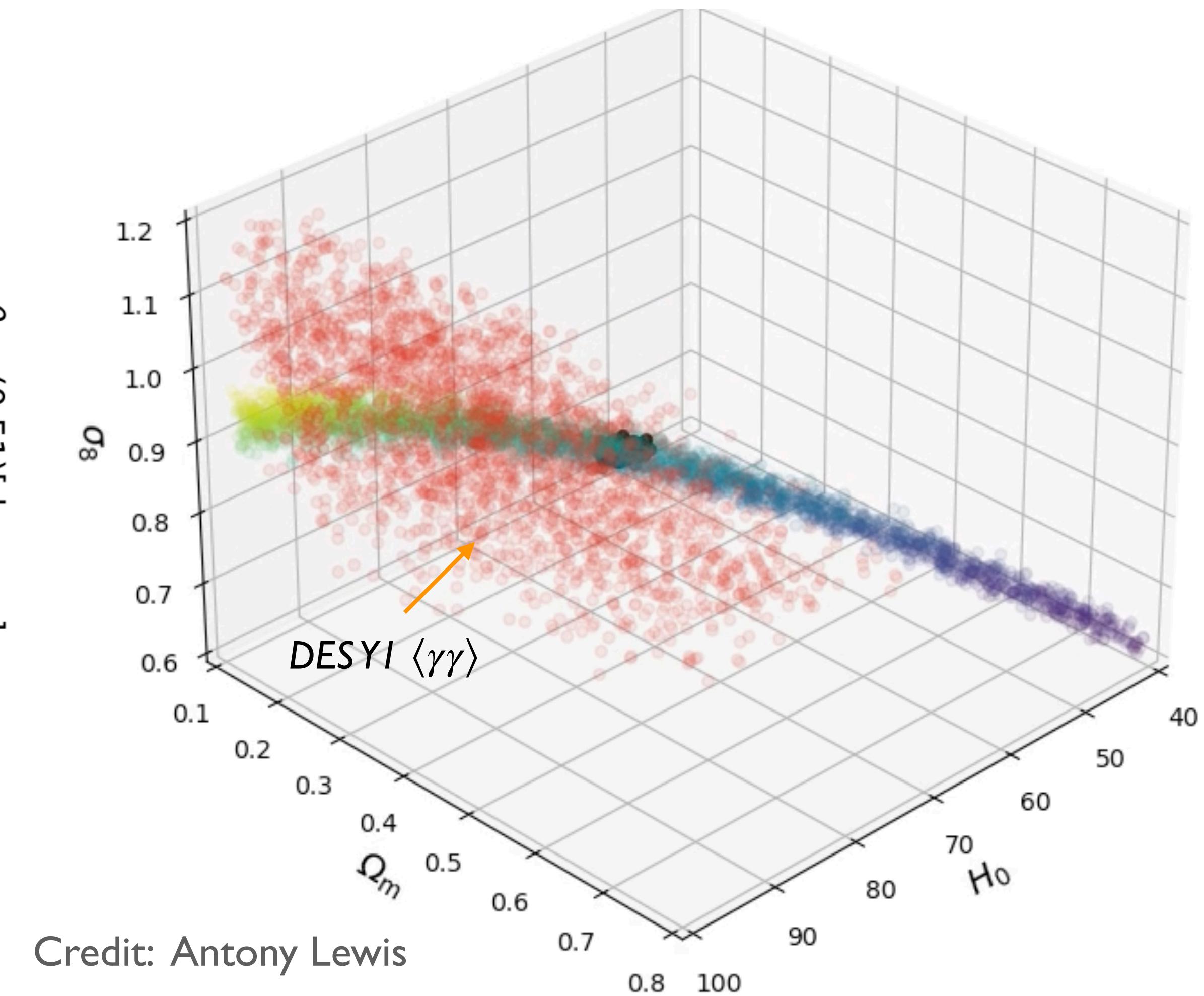
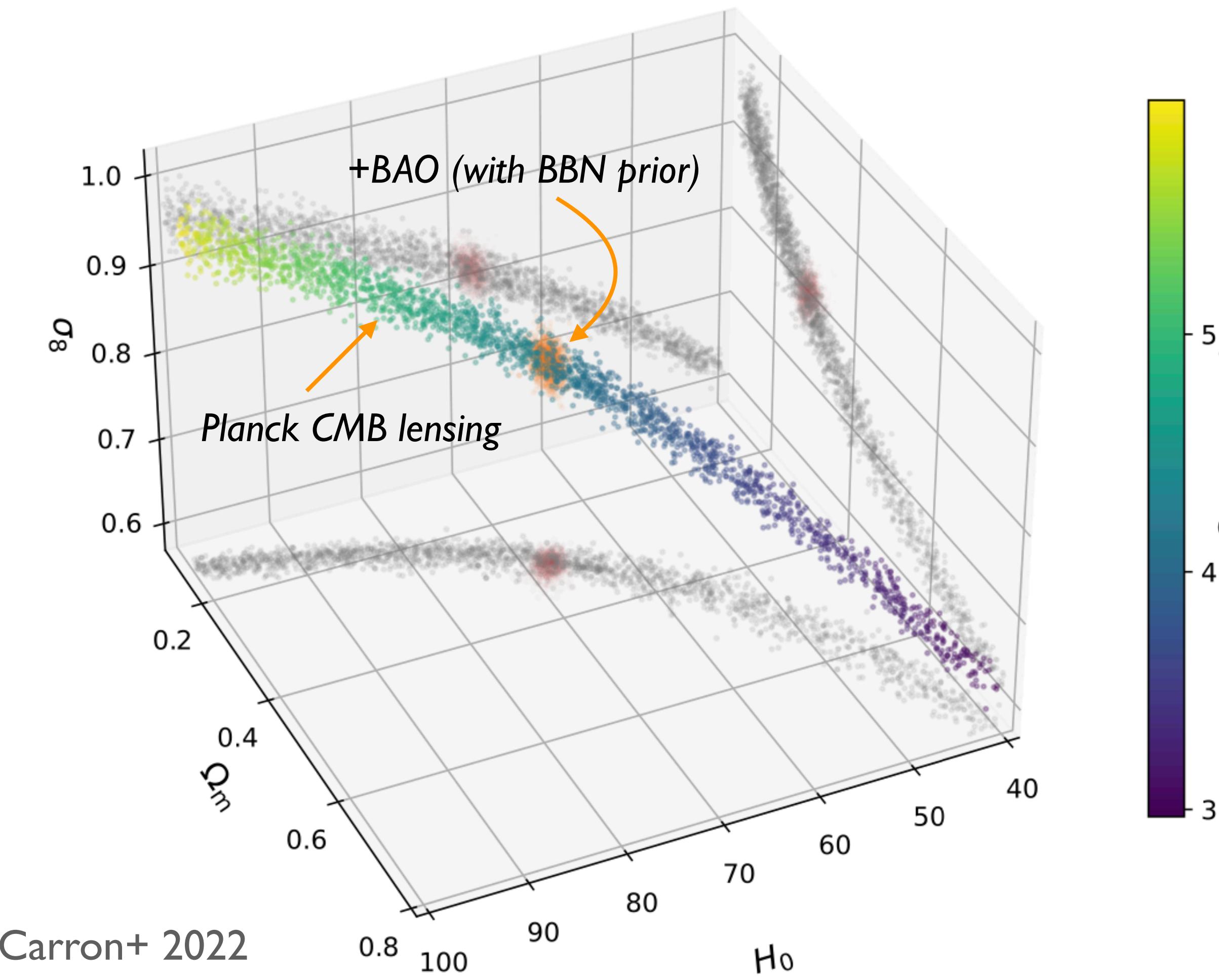
- With sufficient range of  $L$  can decouple  $A_s$  and  $\ell_{\text{eq}}$



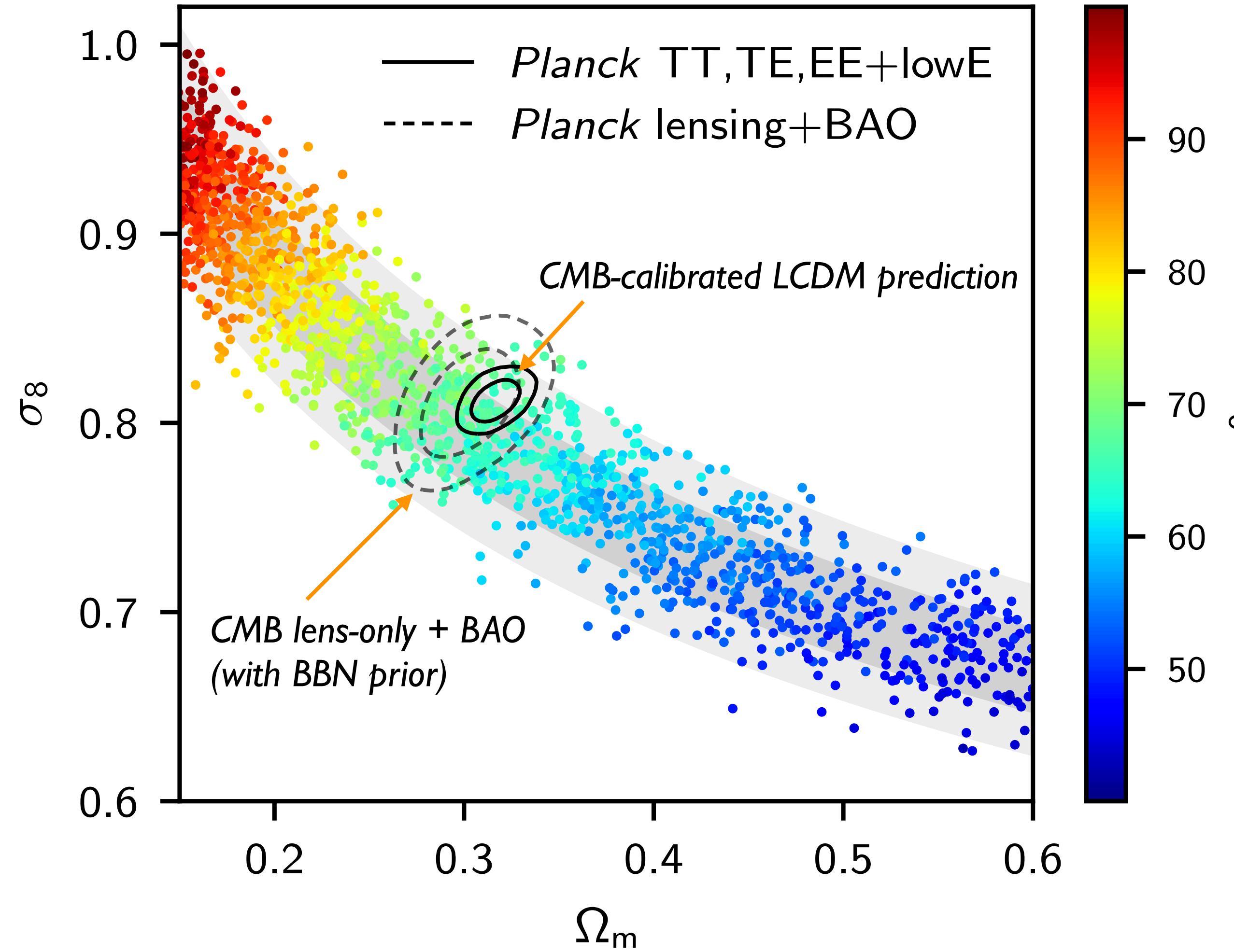
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# CMB-lensing-only LCDM constraints



Model-independent marginalisation based on observed spectra

$$\langle \hat{C}_L^{\phi\phi} \rangle \sim \left( \frac{C^{TT} C^{TT}}{C_{\text{fid}}^{TT} C_{\text{fid}}^{TT}} \right) C_L^{\phi\phi}$$

Priors for lens-only:

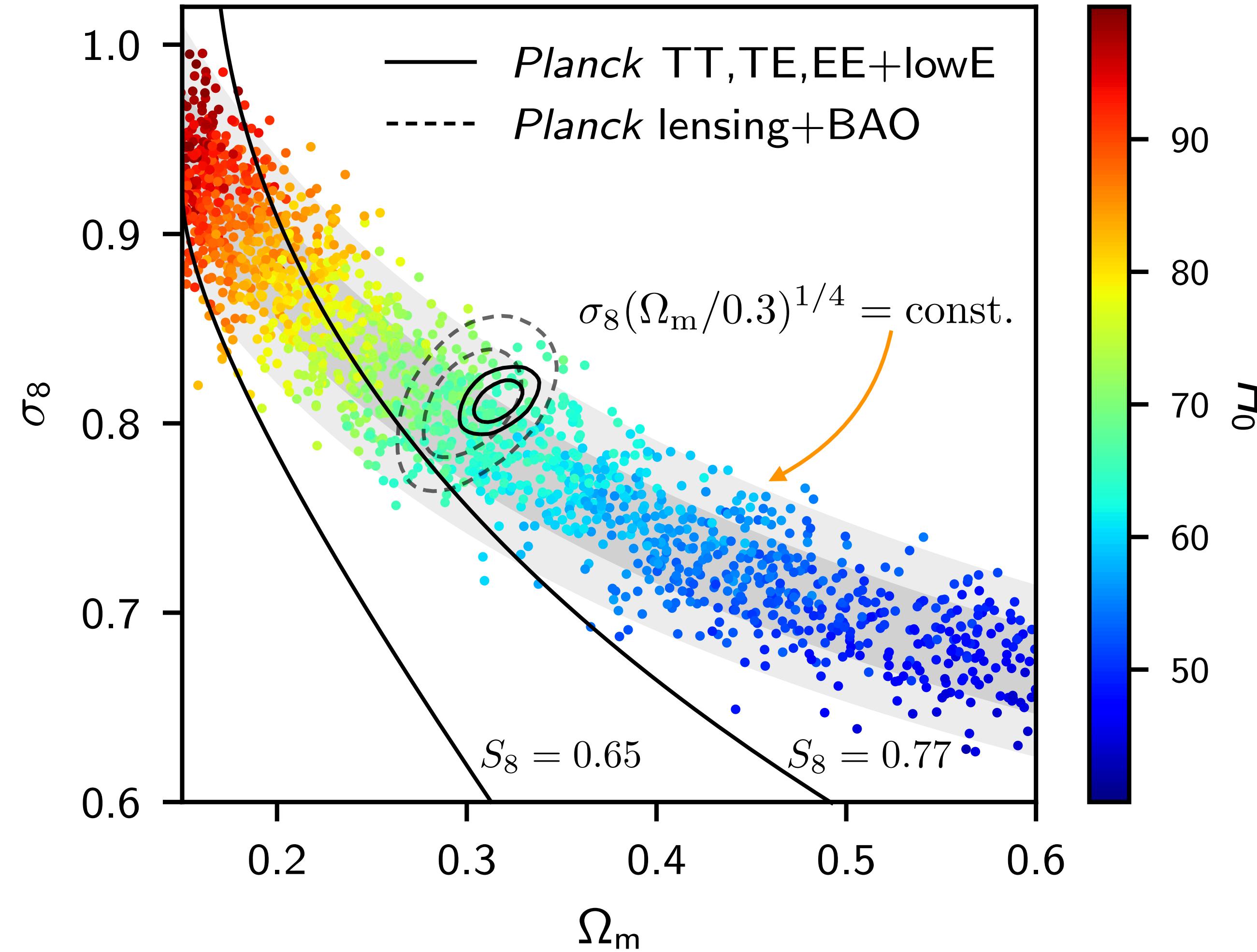
$$n_s = 0.96 \pm 0.02$$

$$0.4 < h < 1.0$$

$$\Omega_b h^2 = 0.0222 \pm 0.0005 \quad (\text{BBN})$$

Excellent agreement with LCDM expectation  
calibrated by primary CMB!

# CMB-lensing-only $\Lambda$ CDM constraints

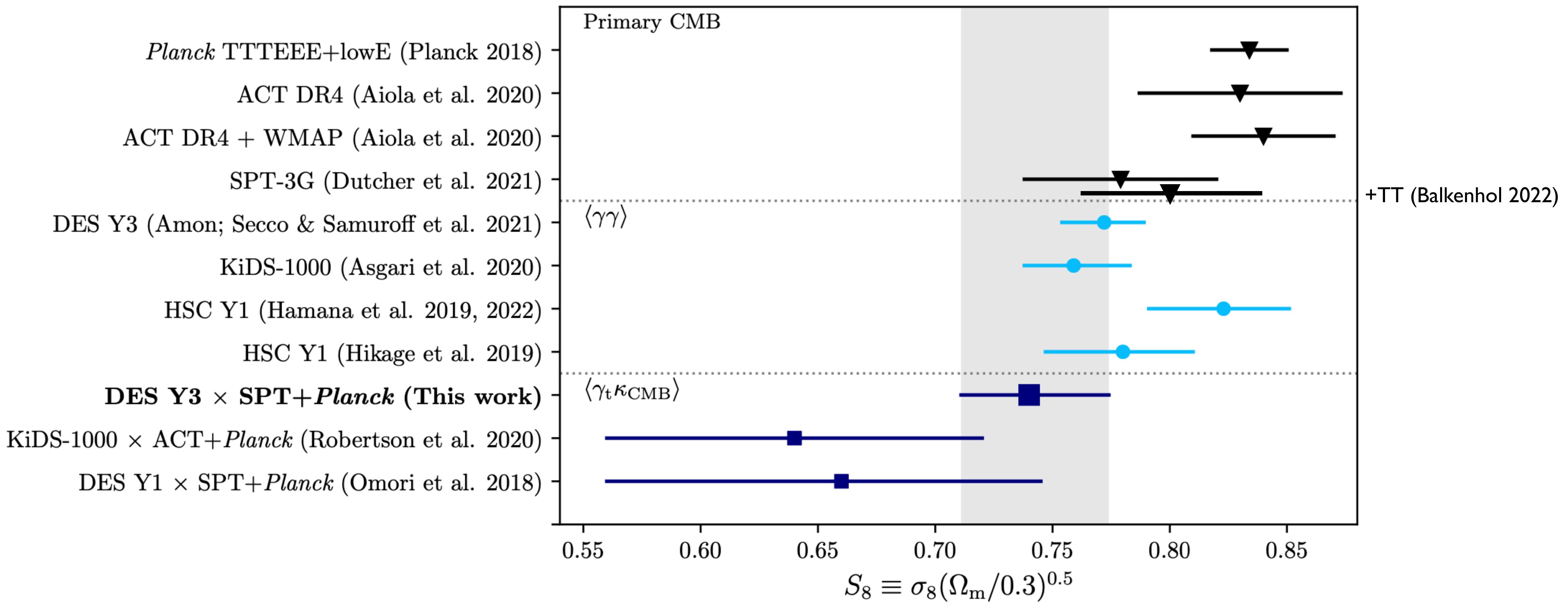


Lensing of galaxies ( $z < 1$ ) best constrain

$$S_8 \equiv \sigma_8(\Omega_m/0.3)^{1/2}$$

# Recent structure measurements from lensing

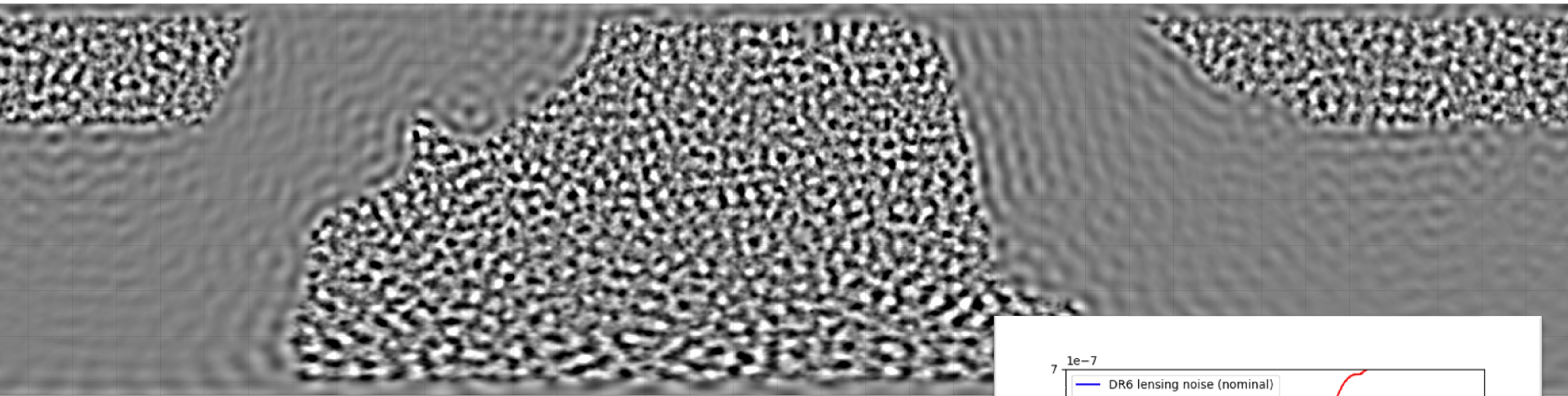
## Planck lens-only + BAO



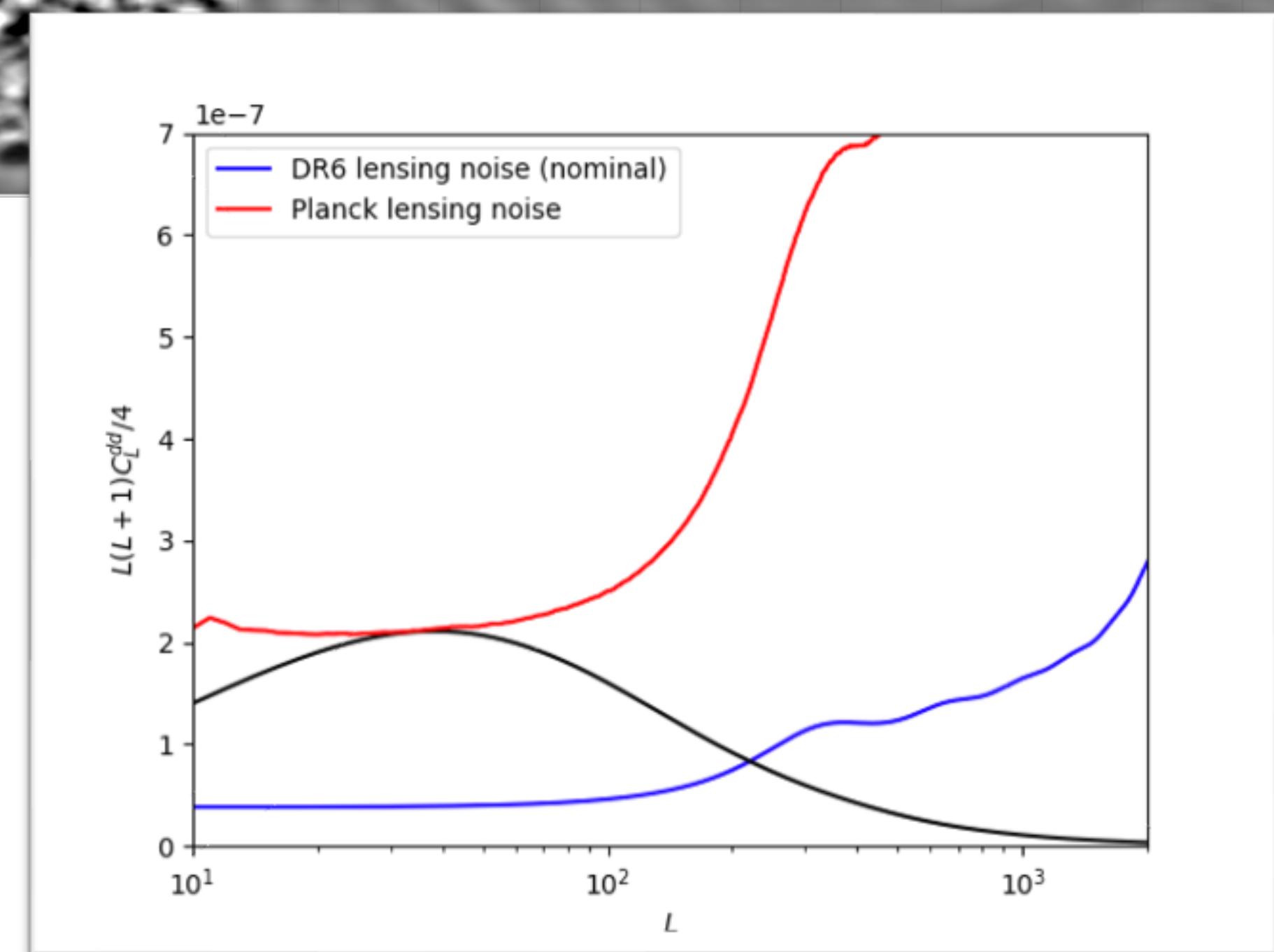
Similarly low  $S_8$  including galaxy clustering

Chang+ 2023

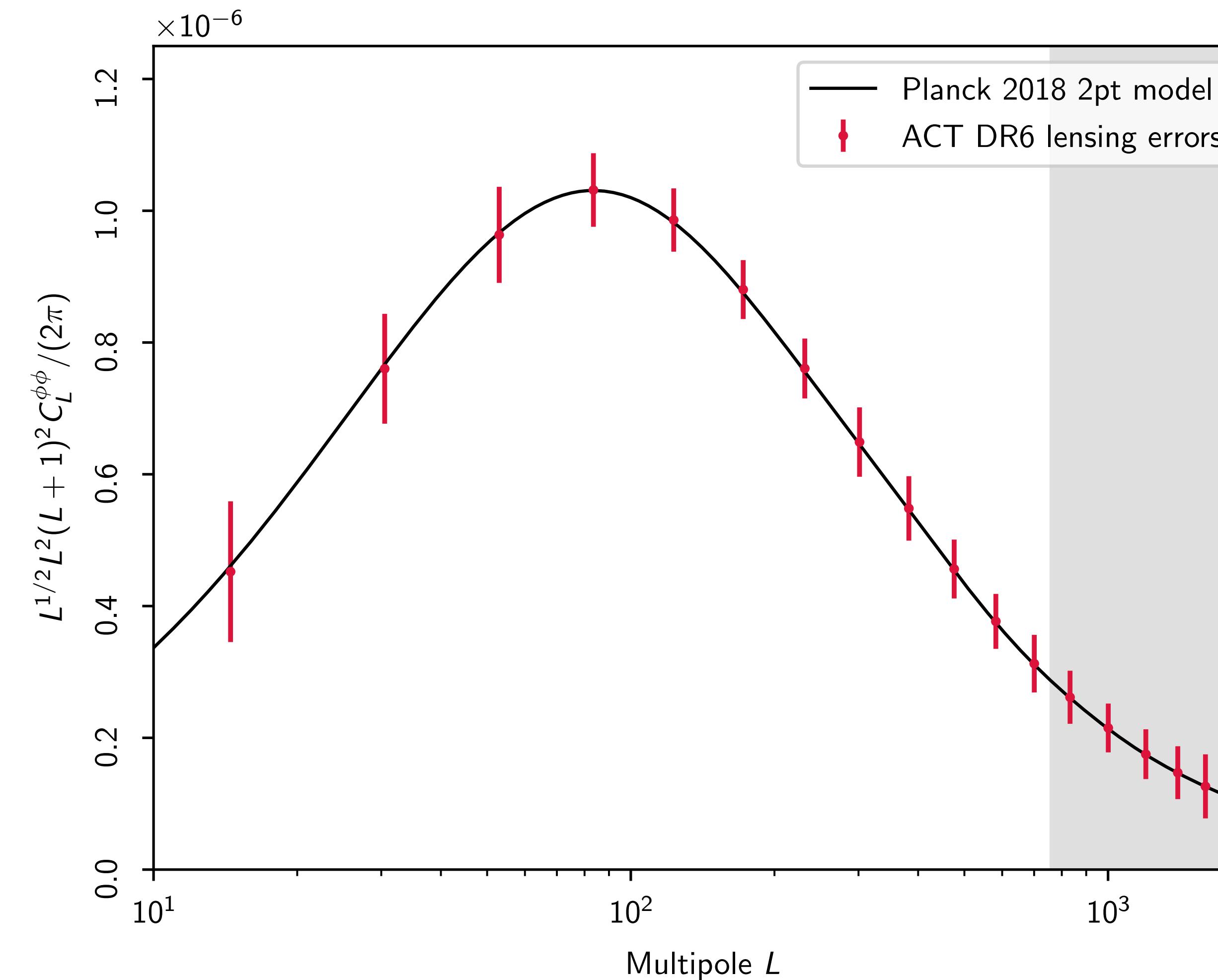
# CMB lensing maps from ACT DR6



- 2x lower reconstruction noise than Planck
  - New cross-split estimator to mitigate noise complications
  - Profile-hardened against extragalactic foregrounds
- 10,000 deg<sup>2</sup>



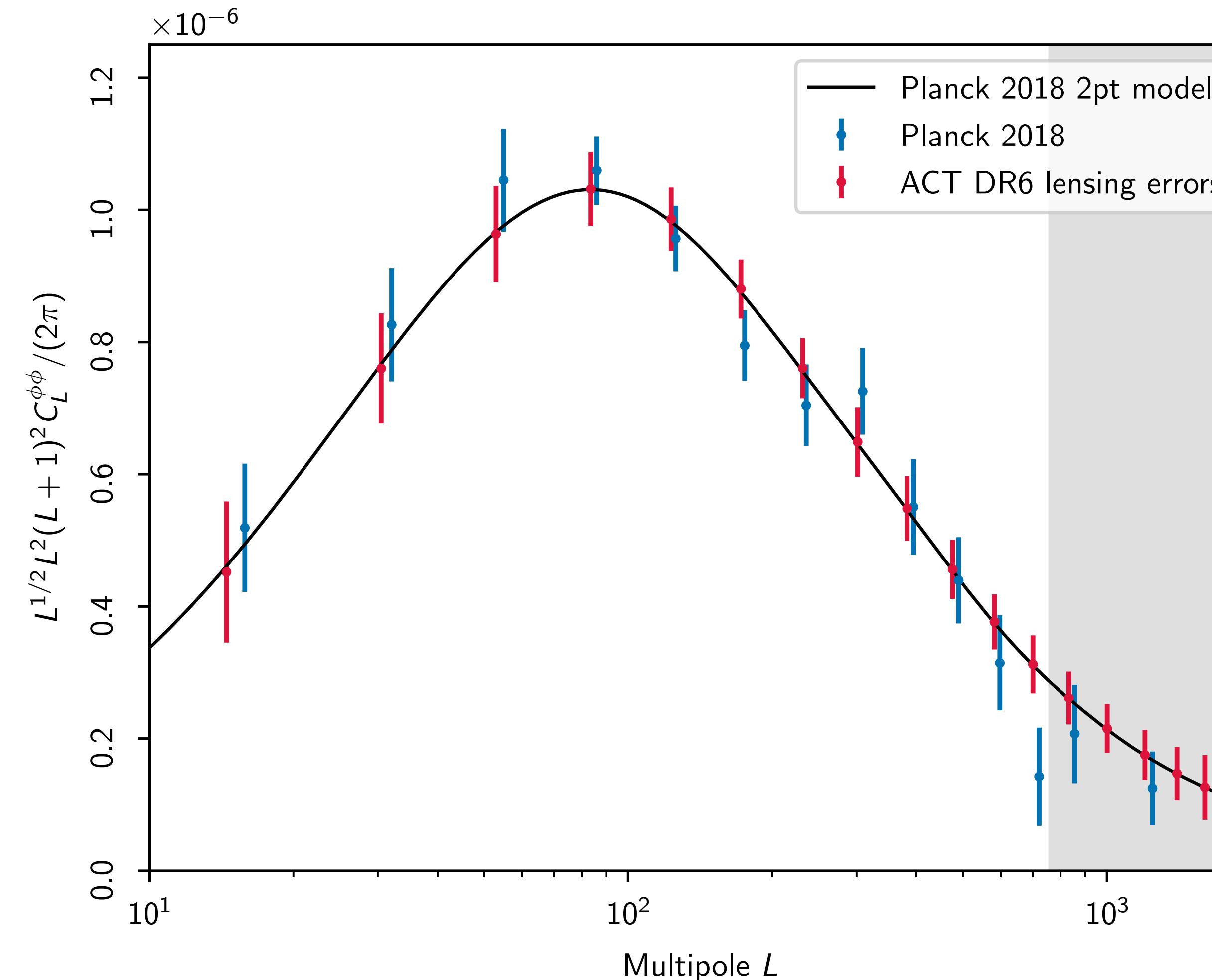
# ACT DR6 lensing power spectrum errors



Real ACT DR6 error bars but centred on theory

Qu+ 2023 (in internal review)

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- Comparable constraining power to Planck and weakly correlated
  - State-of-the-art  $S_8$  and  $\sum m_\nu$  constraints from combination (+BAO)

**Thank you!**

# Simons Observatory

- 3 US SATs + 2 UK SATs + 1 JPN SAT for *B*-mode science
- 40 % of sky with arcmin-resolution LAT survey overlapping DES, DESI, Rubin and LSST
- Six frequencies: 27–280 GHz
- First data in 2023!

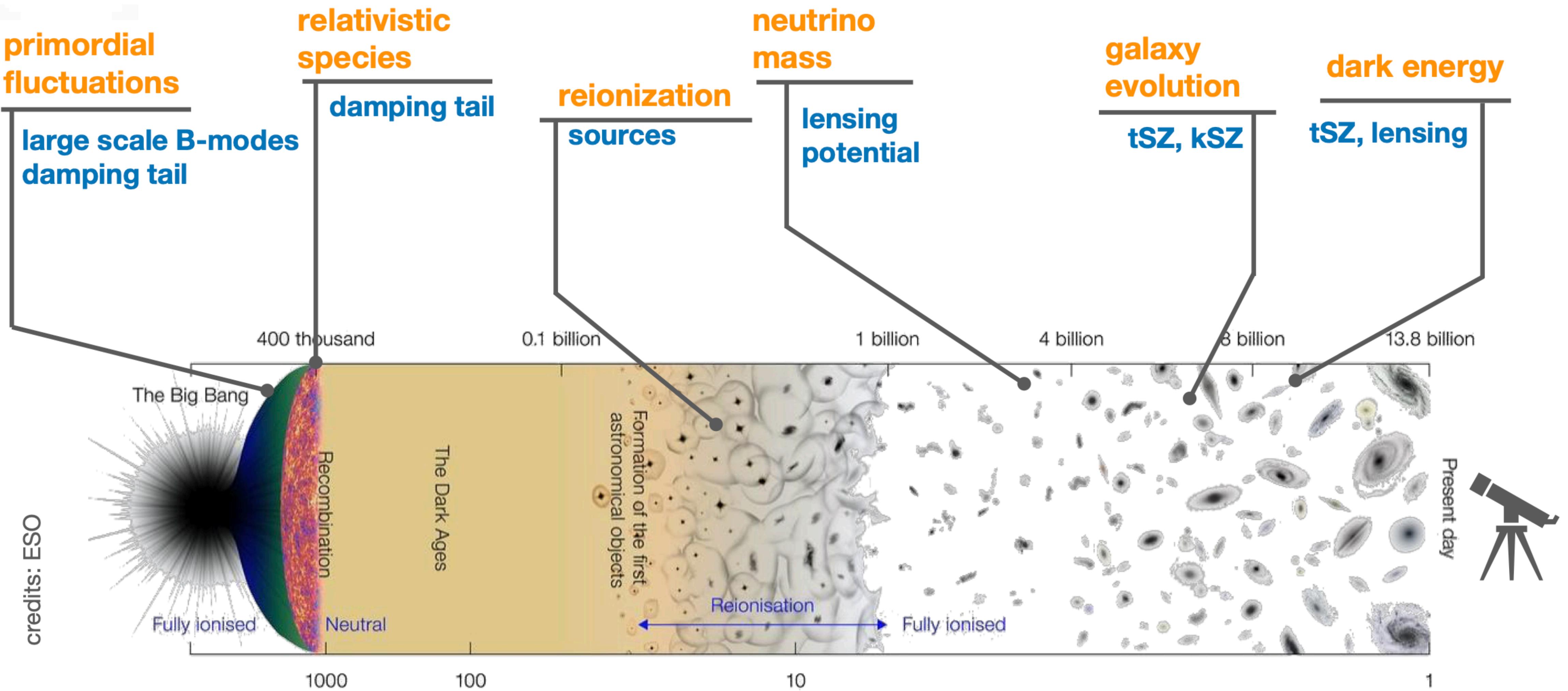


SO:UK (£18M UKRI infrastructure fund + STFC)

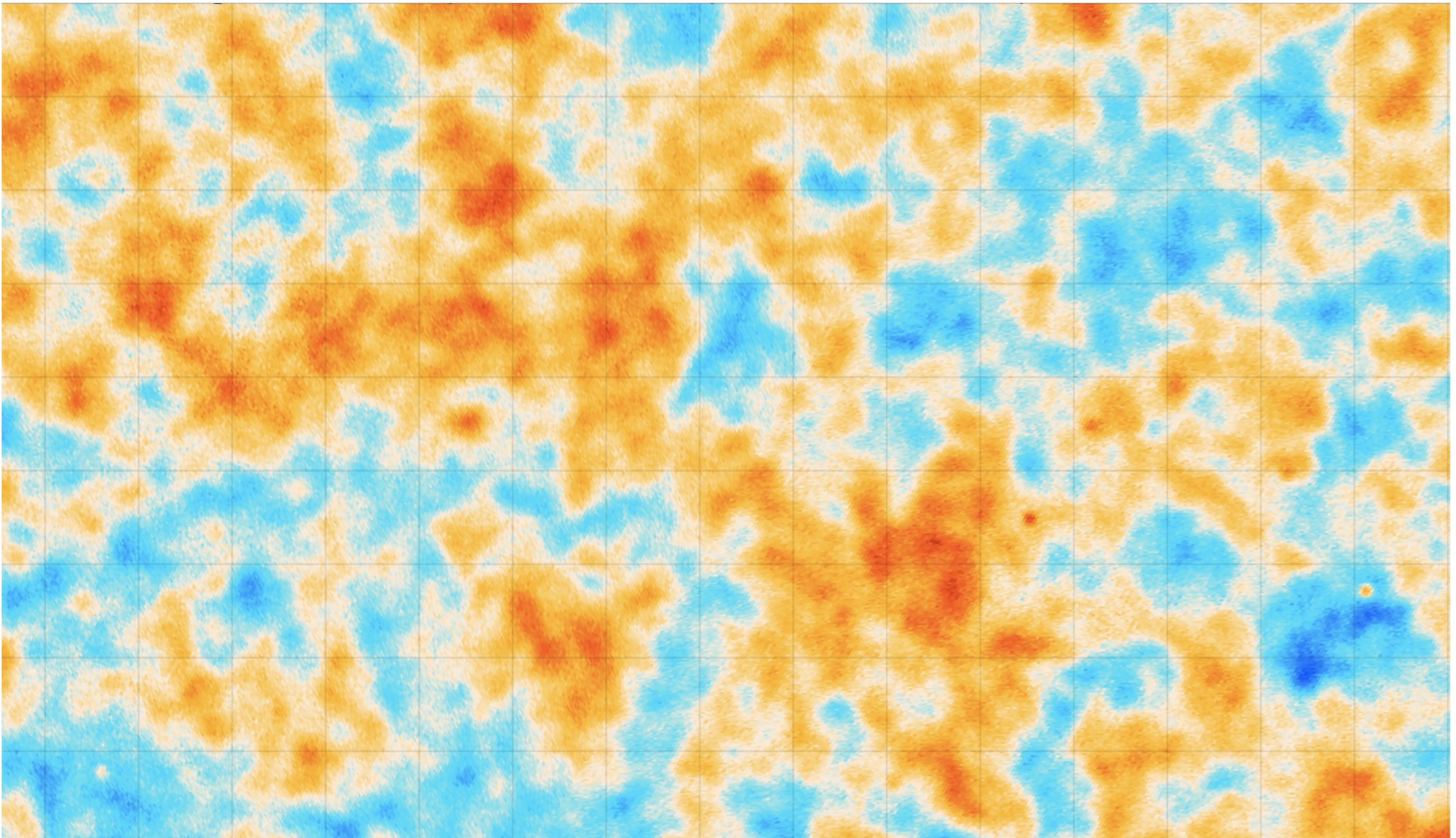
- 2x SATs
- 1x UHF optics tube for LAT
- UK data centre serving science-ready data products
- @CAM: LAT simulations and product readiness for lensing science



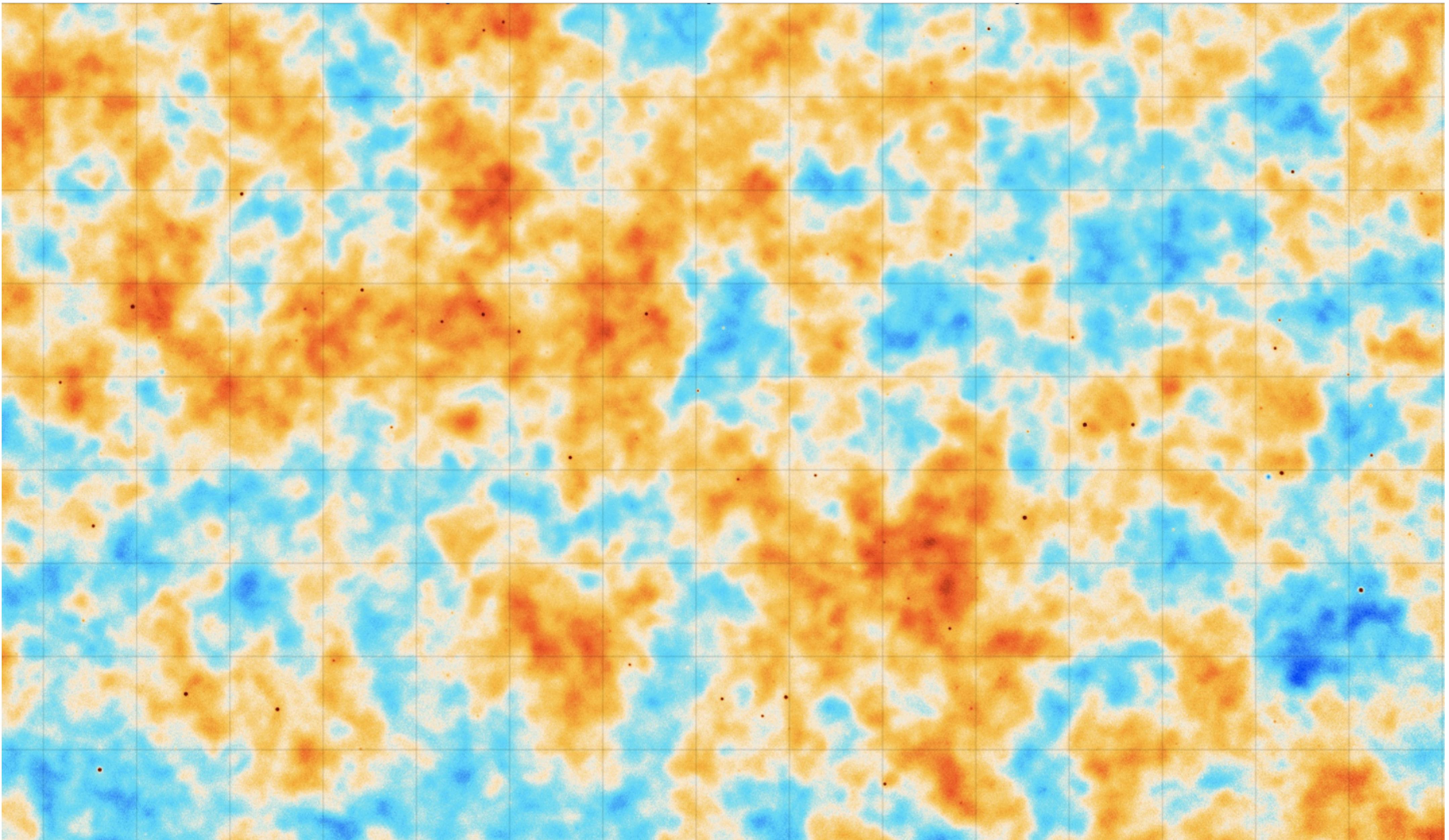
# CMB science: from the early universe to galaxy evolution



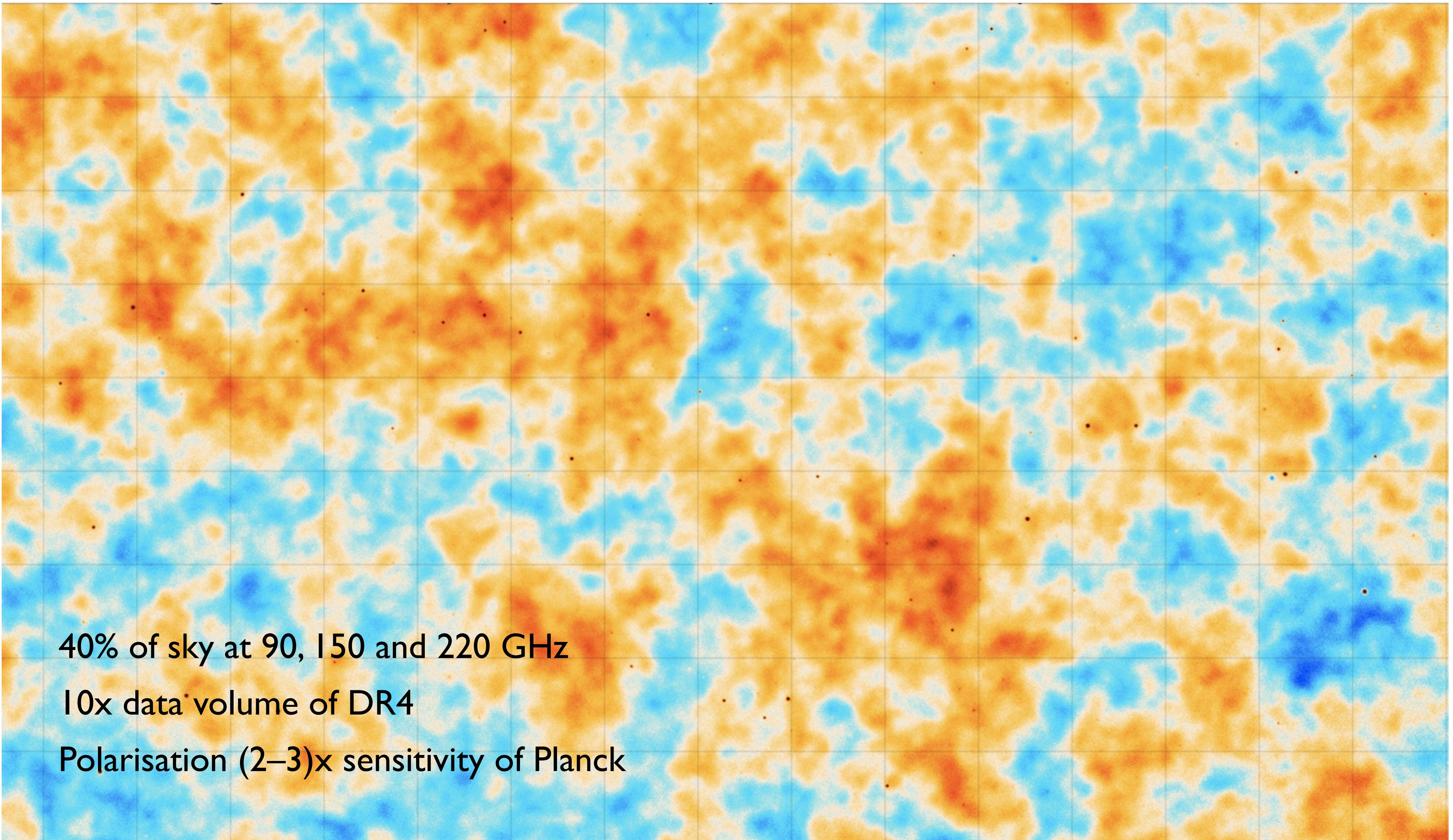
# *Planck temperature*



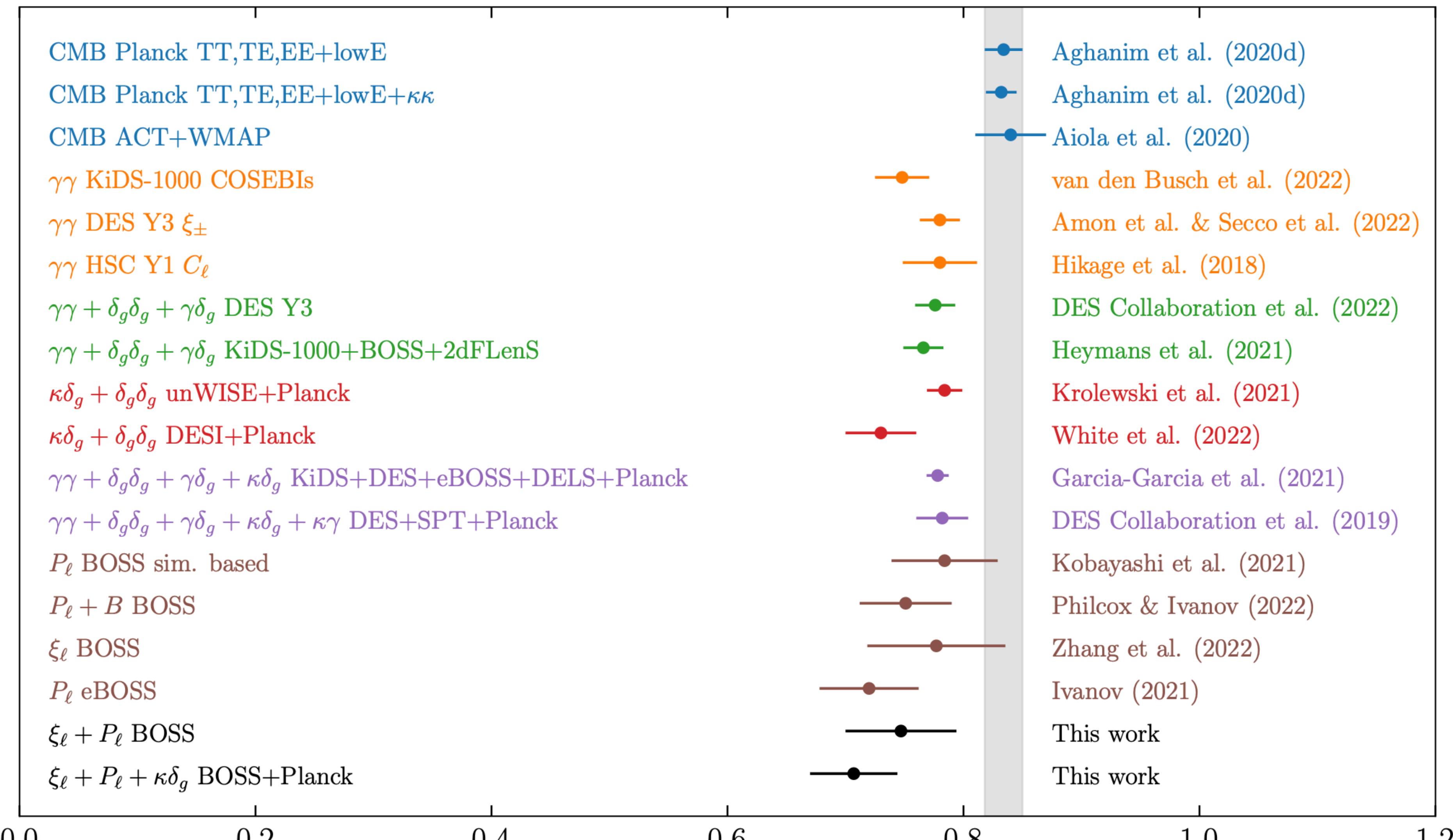
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# Recent structure measurements ADD PLANK kk POINT



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Chen+ 2022