

# Observational Tensions in LCDM: A View from the South Pole Telescope

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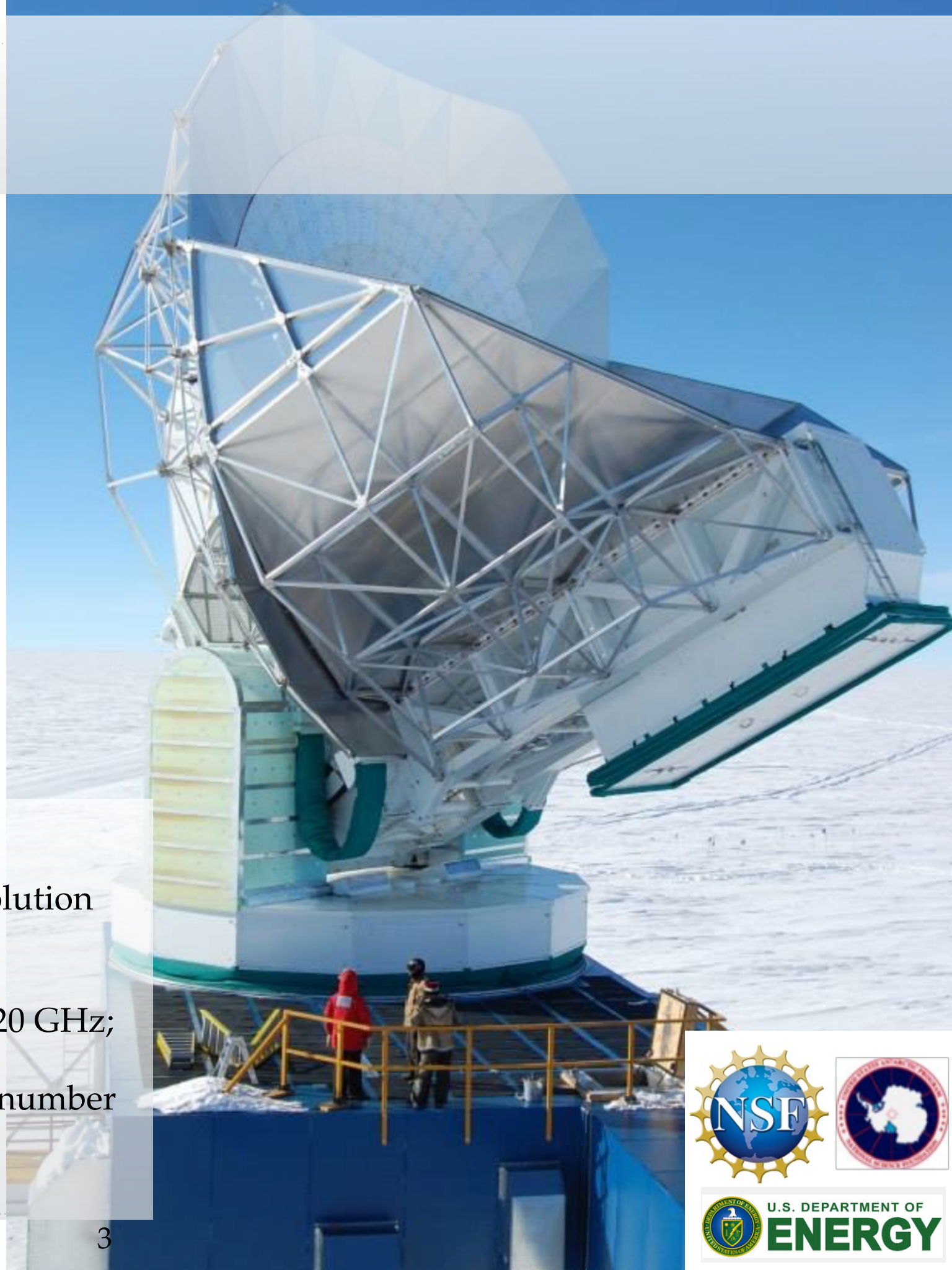
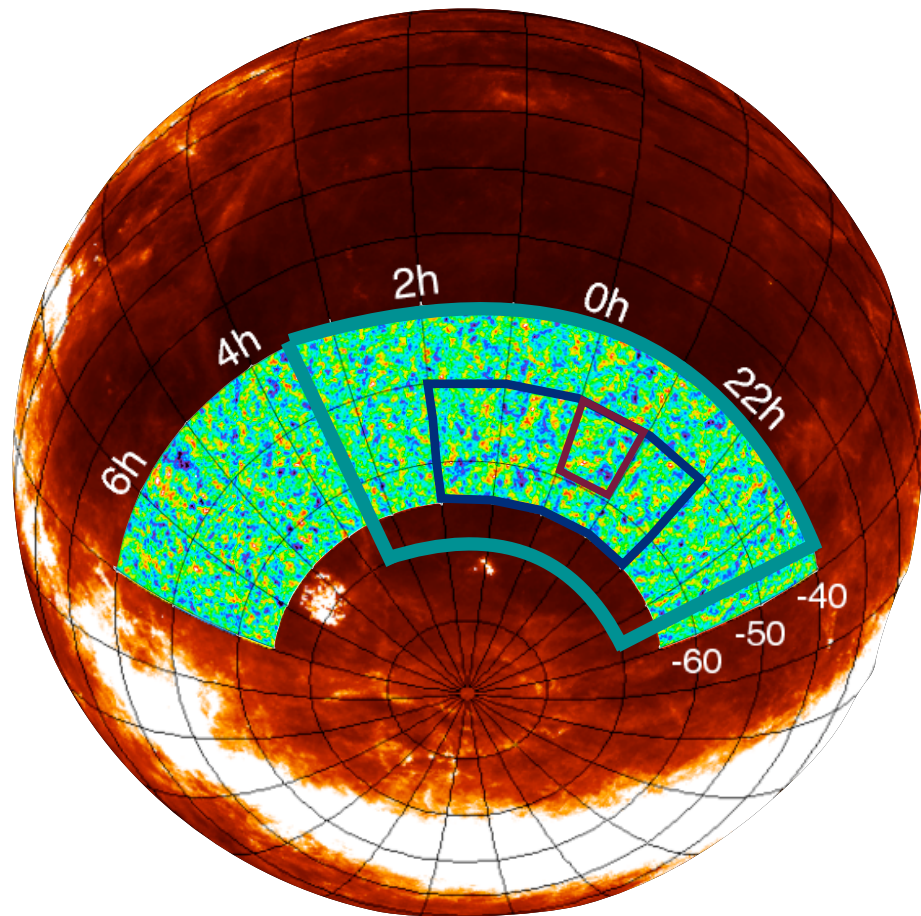
Tensions between the Early and the Late  
Universe, Santa Barbara



Goal: summarize the state of knowledge of the interpretation of SPT data to inform model building that attempts to resolve tensions in LCDM.

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# South Pole Telescope



- 10m sub-mm quality dish makes  $\sim 1'$  resolution at 150GHz;
- Observes in 3 bands (SPT-3G): 90 / 150 / 220 GHz;
- Current camera (SPT-3G) has the largest number of detectors ( $\sim 16000$ ) in a single receiver.



# The South Pole has excellent conditions for mm-wave observations

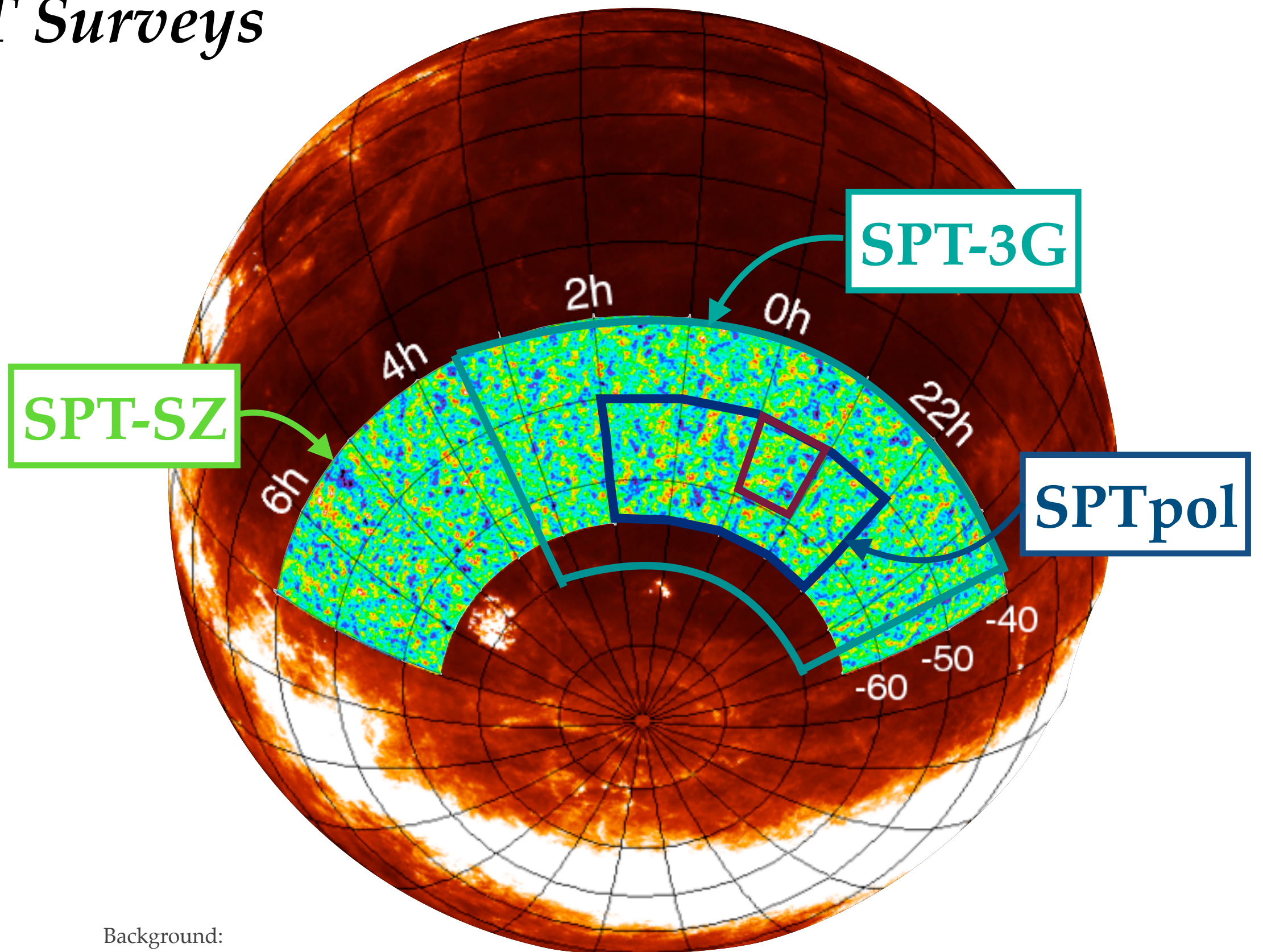
South Pole  
Station

SPT

- Extremely dry
- High altitude (10,000 feet)
- Stable atmosphere during its 6-month long night



# *SPT Surveys*



Background:  
IRAS dust



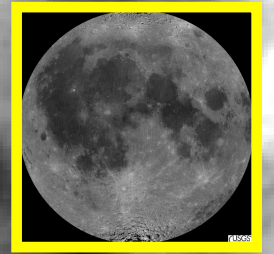
*Planck*  
143 GHz  
50 deg<sup>2</sup>



The moon  
(for scale)



*SPTpol*  
150 GHz  
50 deg<sup>2</sup>

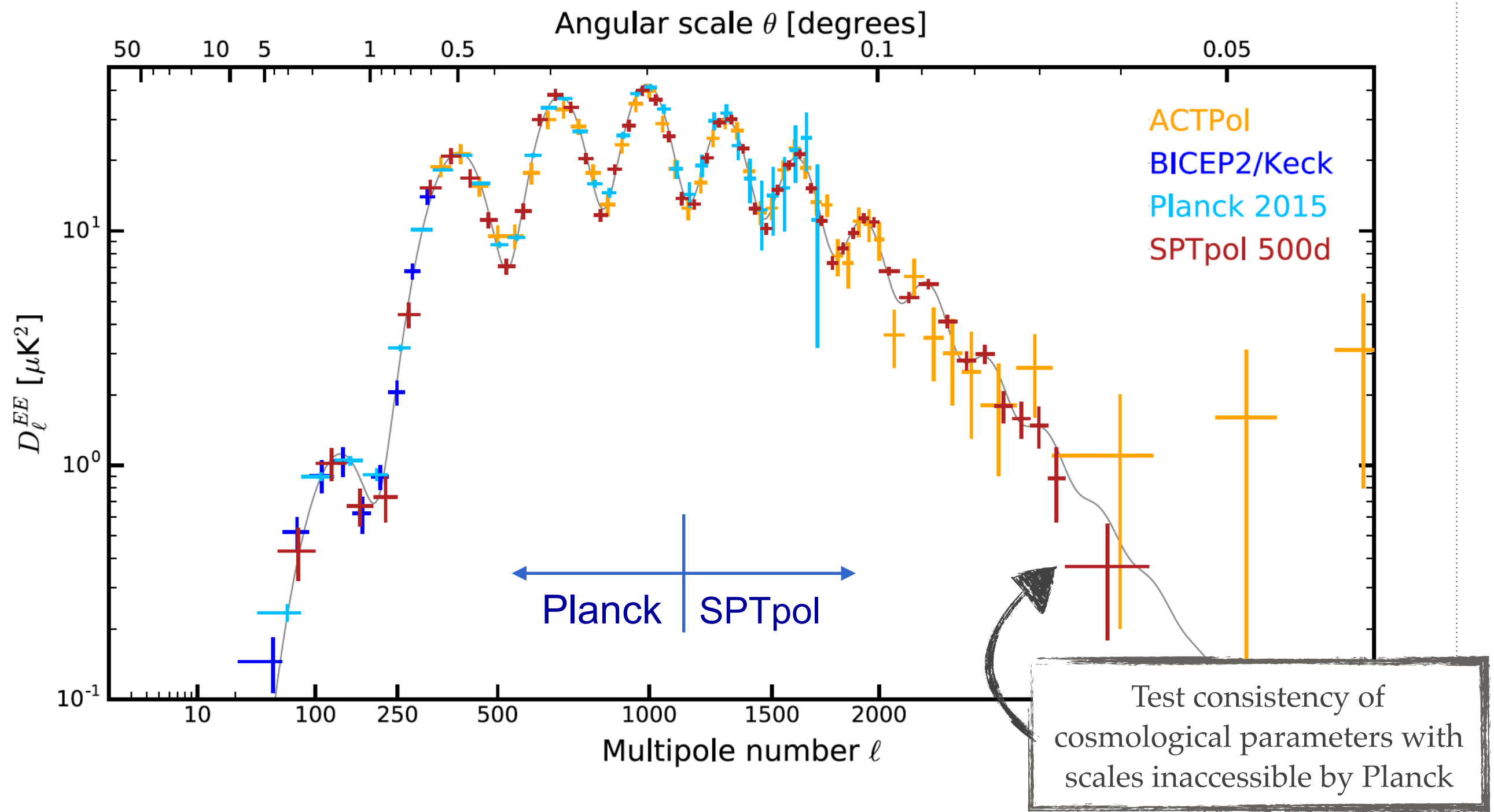


The moon  
(for scale)

6x deeper  
6x finer angular  
resolution



*Low noise, high resolution:  
precision measurements of small scale fluctuations*





Is the  $H_0$  tension due to Planck systematics?

Compare against independent measurements of the CMB.

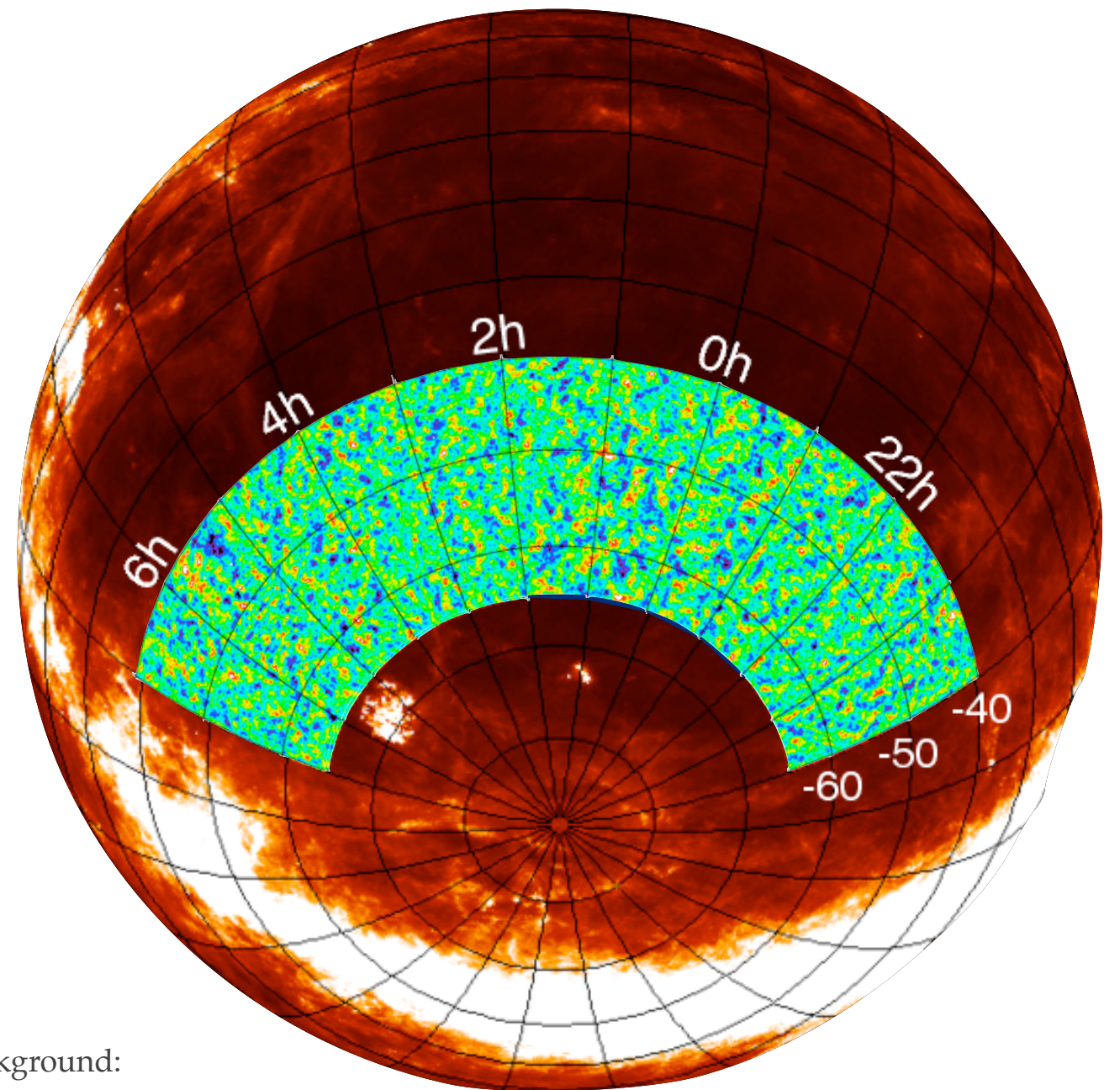
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# Compare measurements between SPT-SZ and Planck

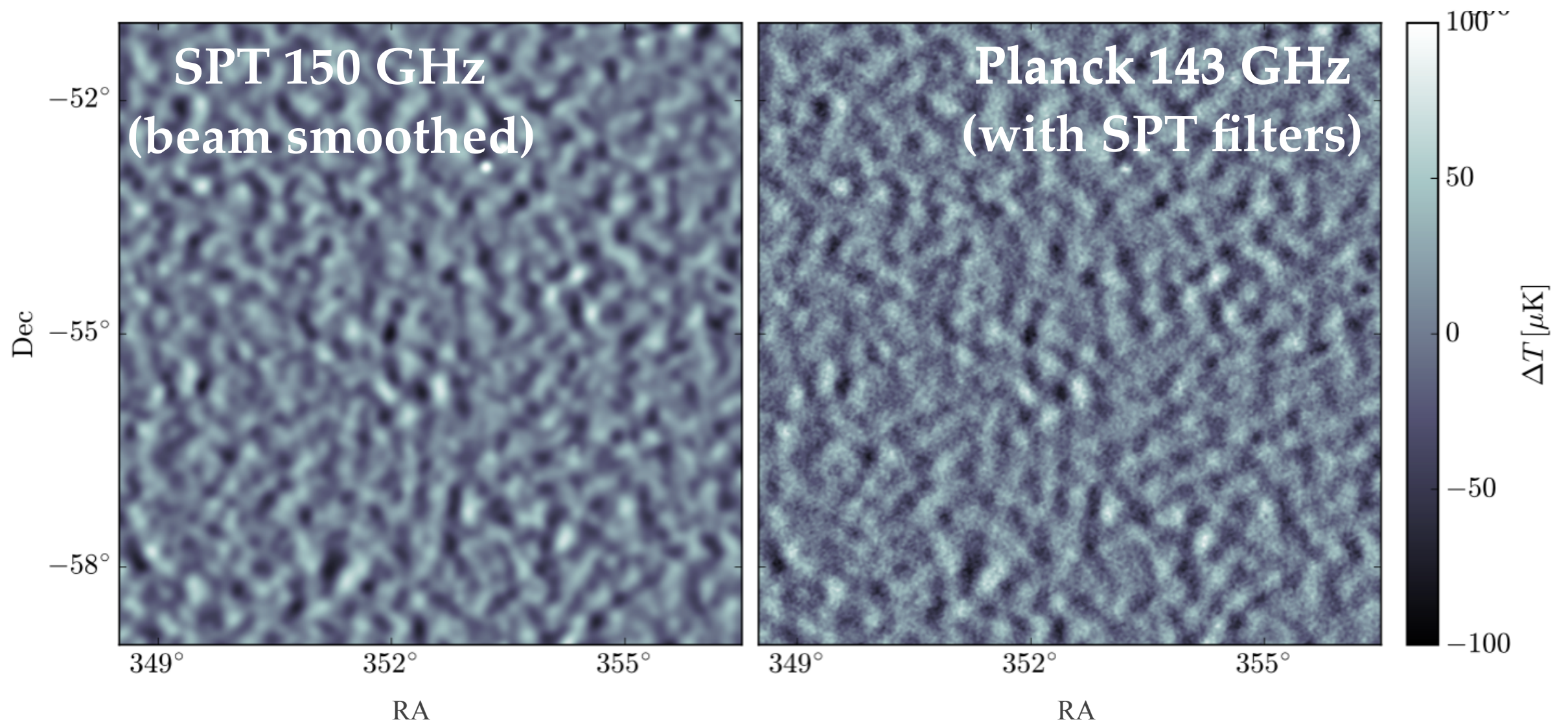
Compare SPT with Planck on the same patch over the same angular scales

- Planck full-sky vs SPT-SZ  
2500sq. deg (~6% of sky)



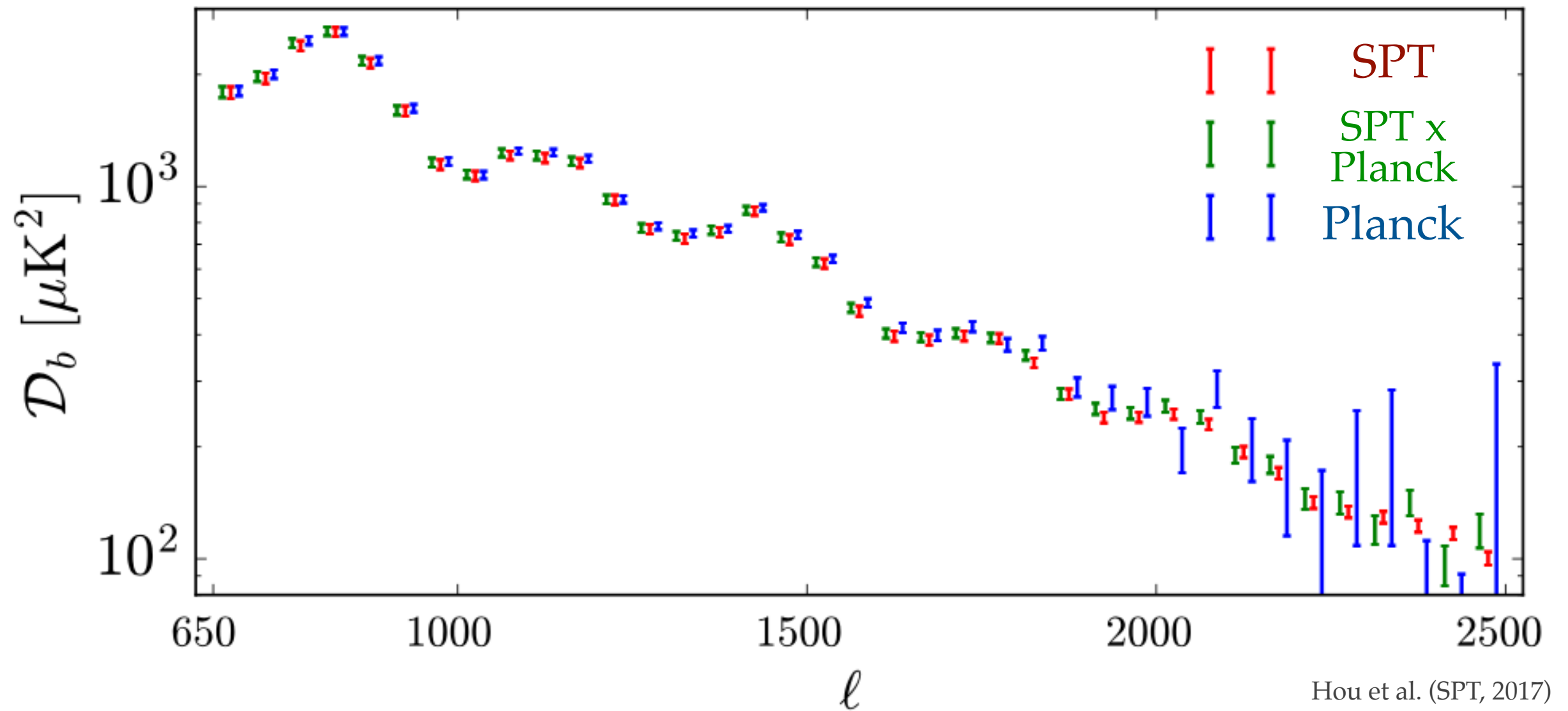
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# *Visual comparison of the same modes on sky*



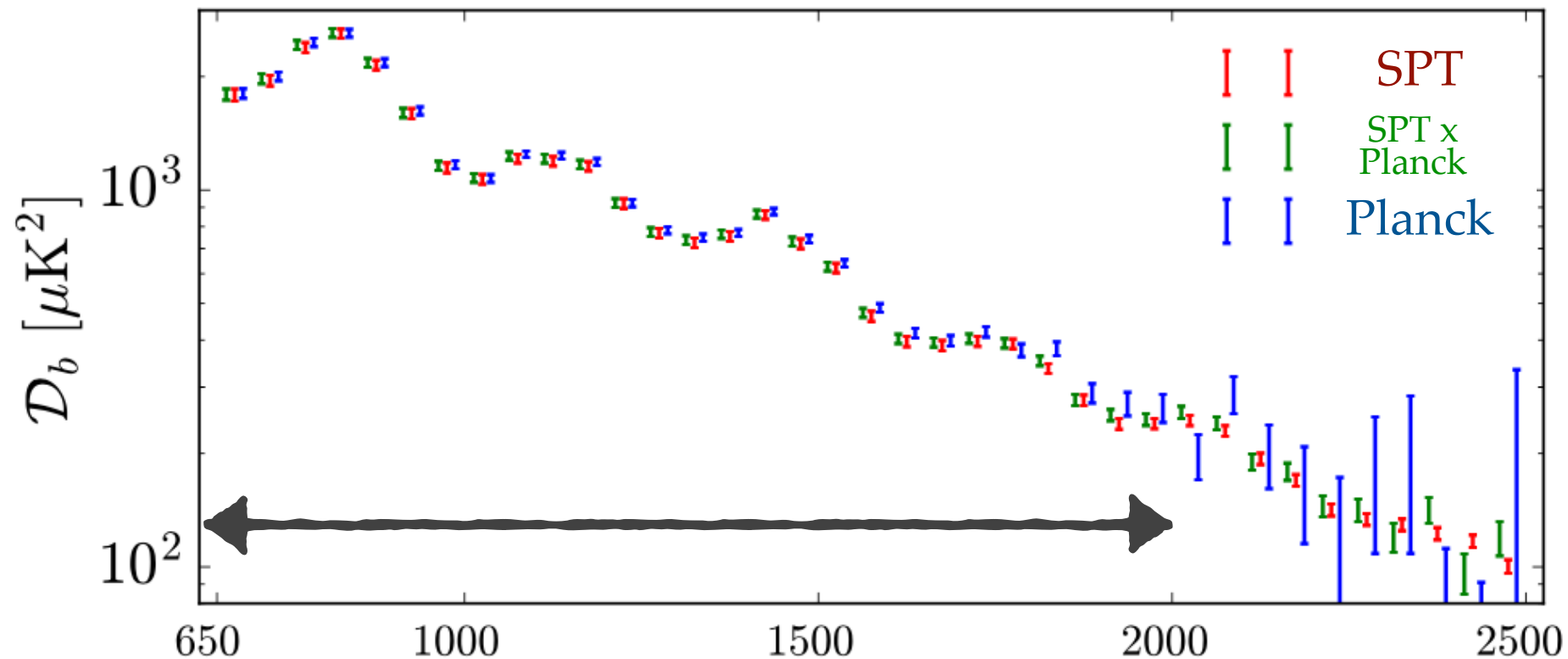
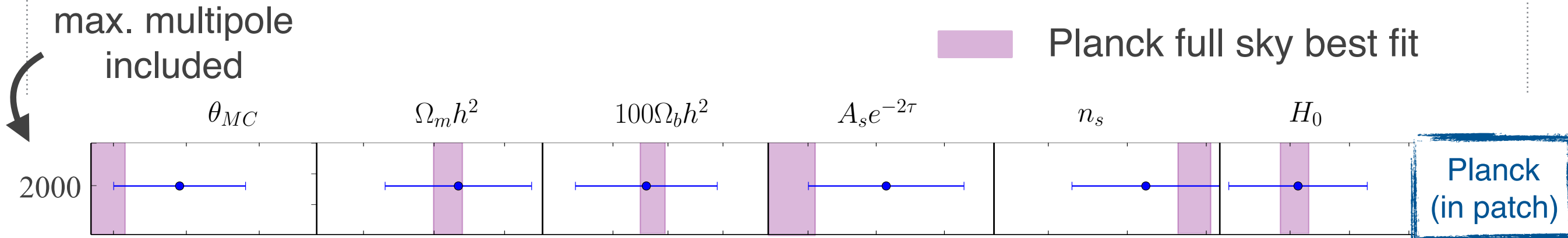


# *In-patch bandpowers*



Bandpowers are statistically consistent amongst **SPTxSPT**, **SPTxPlanck** Planck-in-SPT-patch.

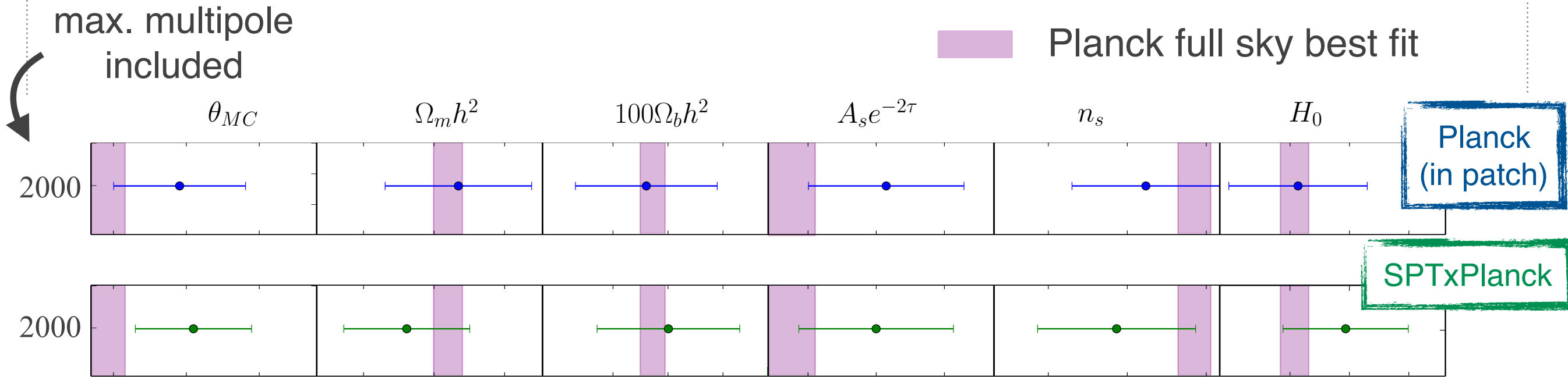
# Parameters comparison of Planck vs SPT



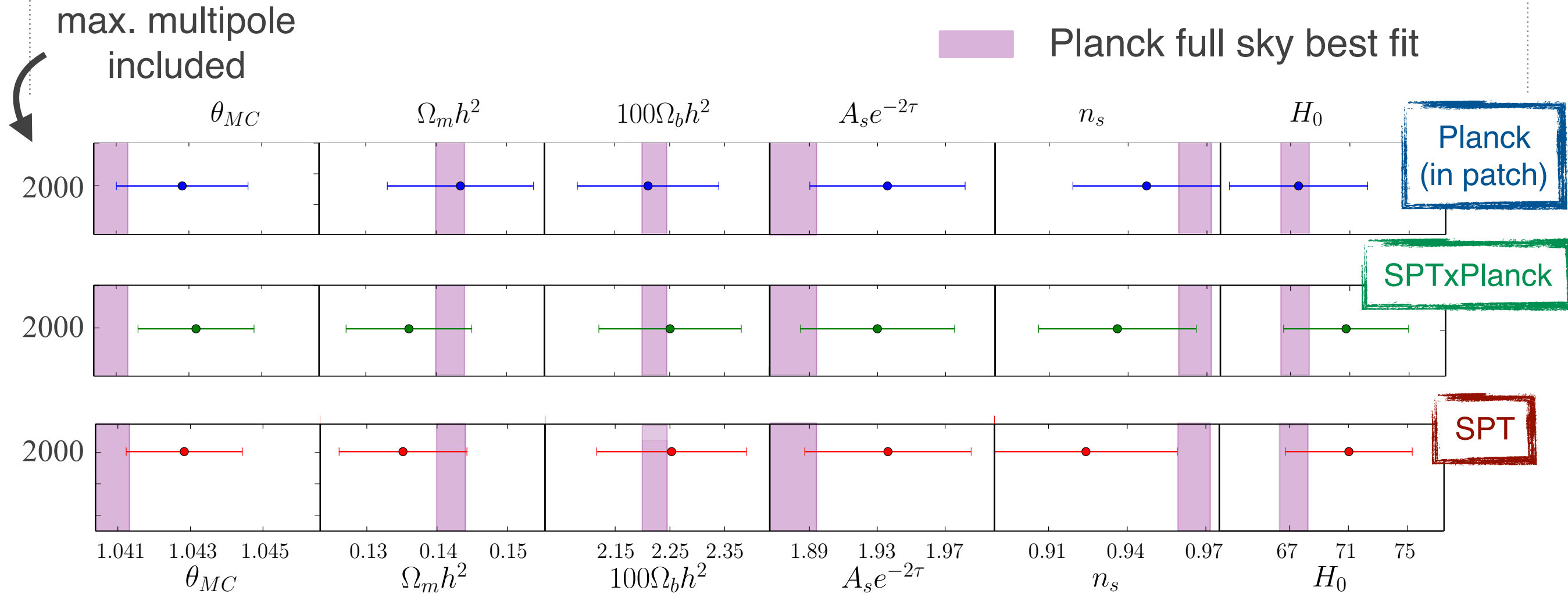
Planck Full Sky vs Planck in-patch  $\longrightarrow$  changes in parameter best fits consistent with sample variance.



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Aylor et al. (SPT, 2017)

Full sky vs individual splits are consistent.

In-patch bandpowers from two experiments are consistent with each other.



# Parameter difference test

$$\chi^2 = \Delta\theta^T \mathbf{C}^{-1} \Delta\theta$$

$$\Delta\theta = \mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_2$$

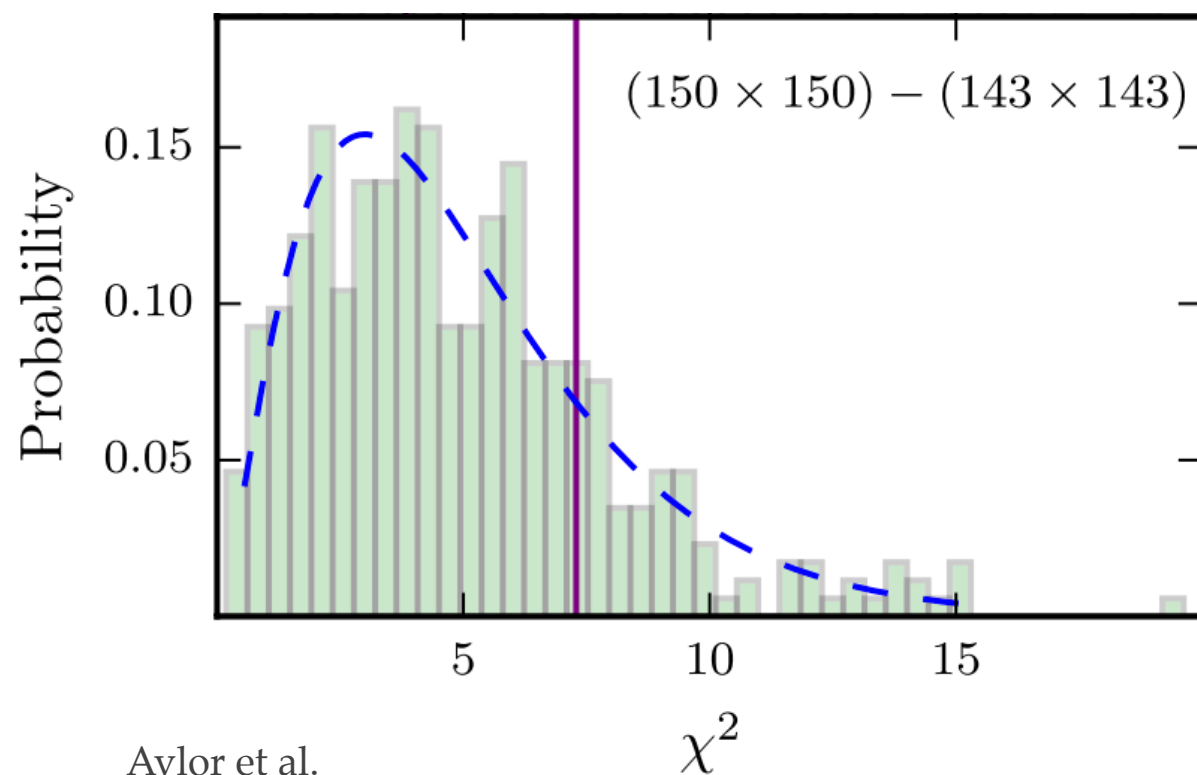
5 parameter model

$\Delta\theta_{\text{MC}}, \Delta\Omega_m h^2, \Delta\Omega_b h^2,$

$\Delta A_s e^{-2\tau}, \Delta n_s$

$\mathbf{C}$  = parameter diff. covariance

SPT vs Planck-in-patch



Aylor et al.  
(SPT, 1706.10286)

- If there are no systematics in either SPT nor Planck, parameter differences would come from noise fluctuations from each set. (*This removes sample variance.*)
- Data differences consistent with sim differences  $\rightarrow$  evidence against systematics in either Planck-in-patch or SPT and in the common multipole range.

Is it CMB systematics?

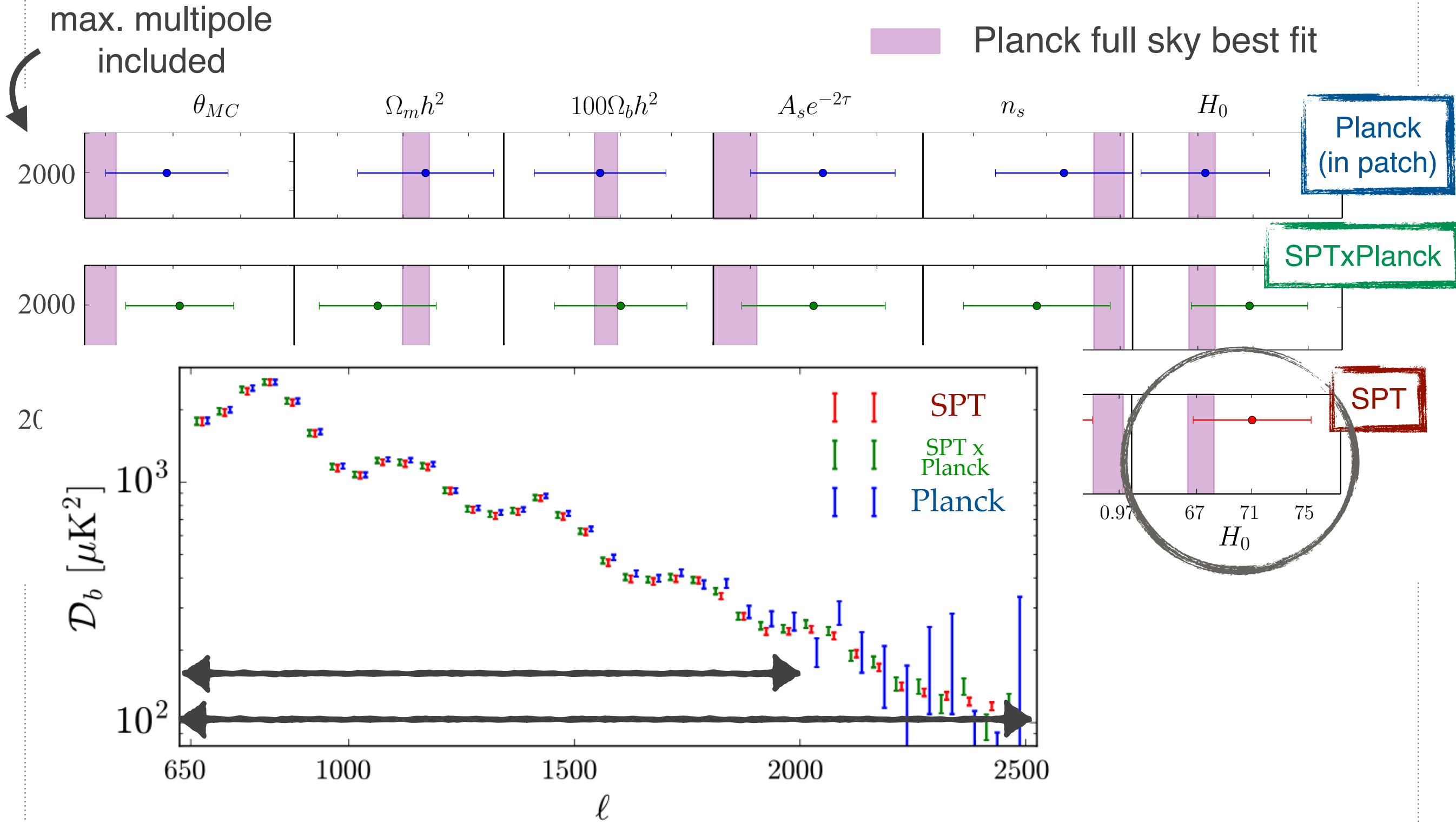
CMB fluctuations seen by both SPT and Planck are consistent with each other.

If there are systematics, they will most likely be

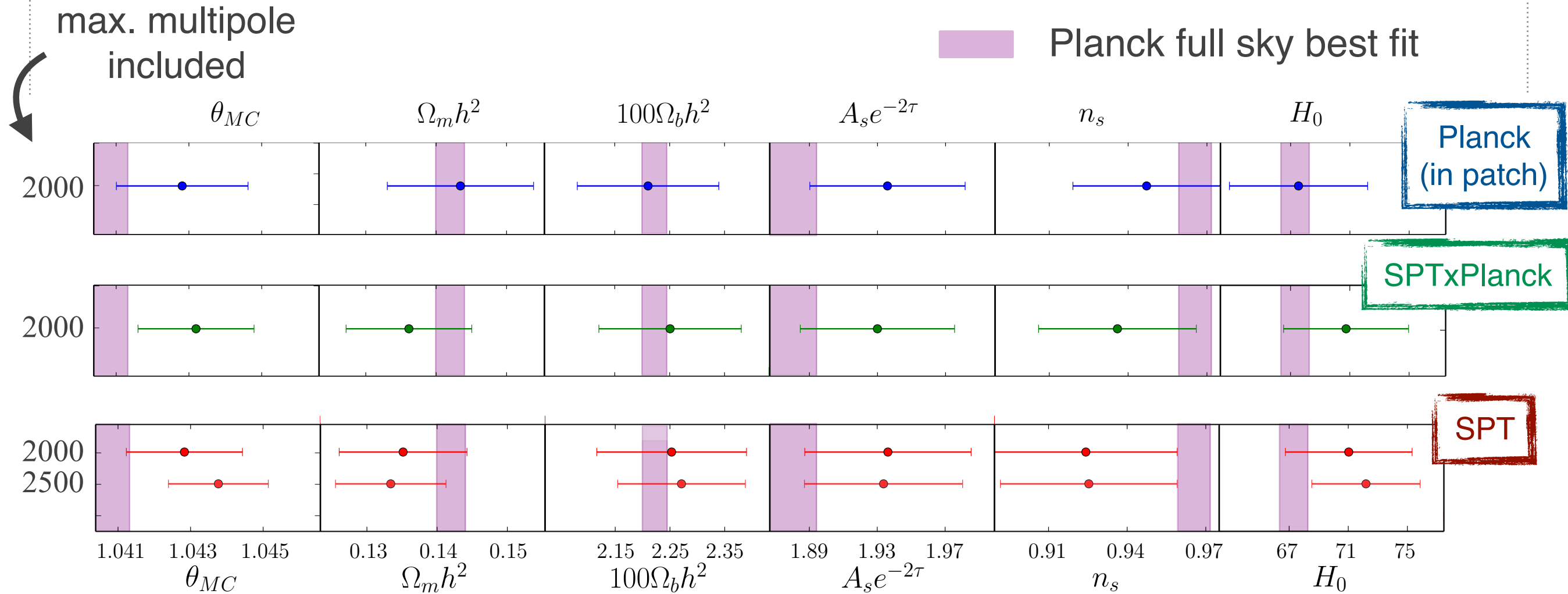
- (1) outside the SPT patch,
- (2) outside the common multipole range of SPT and Planck.



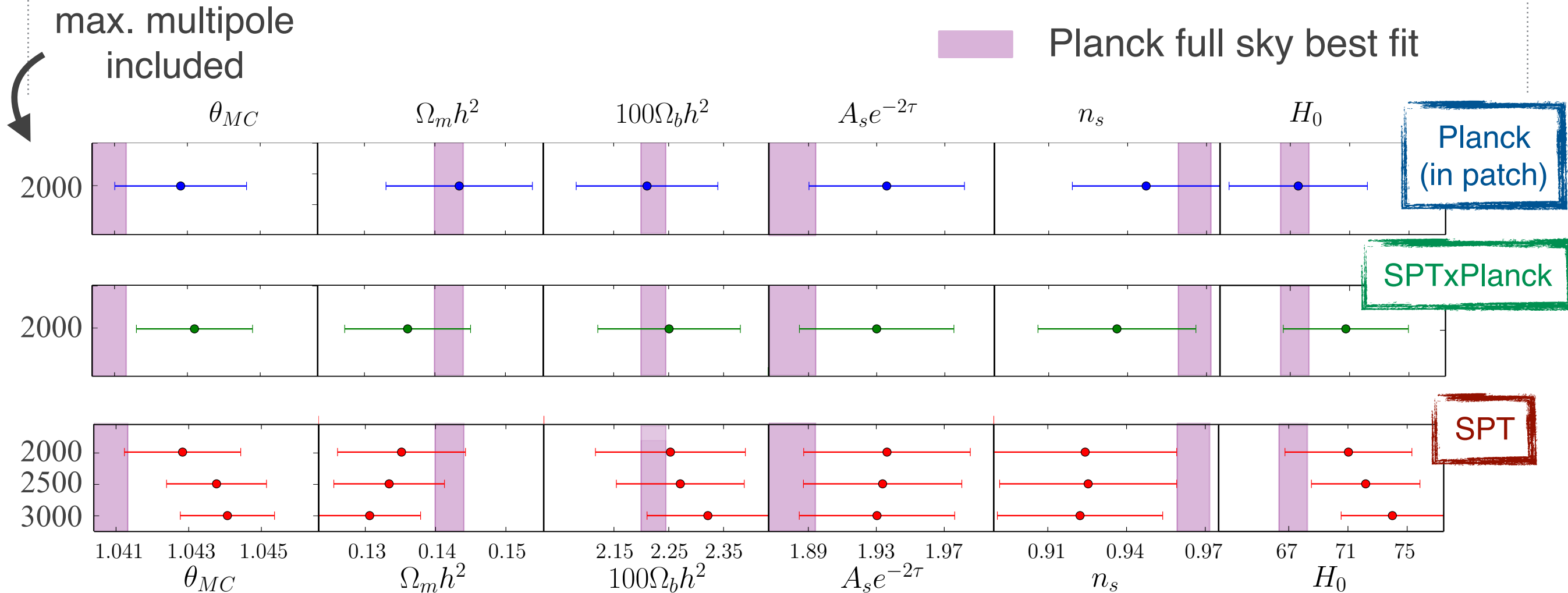
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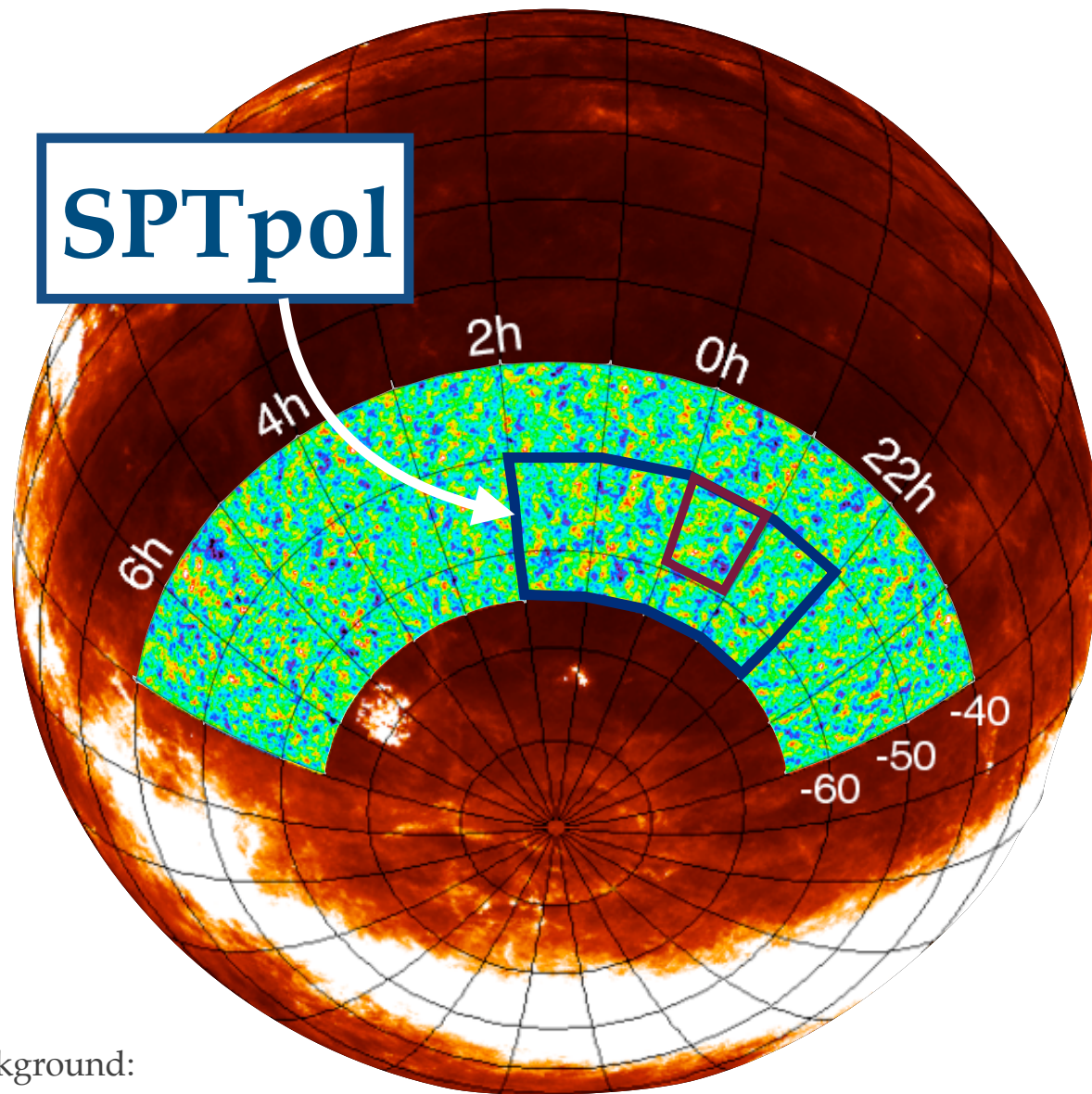
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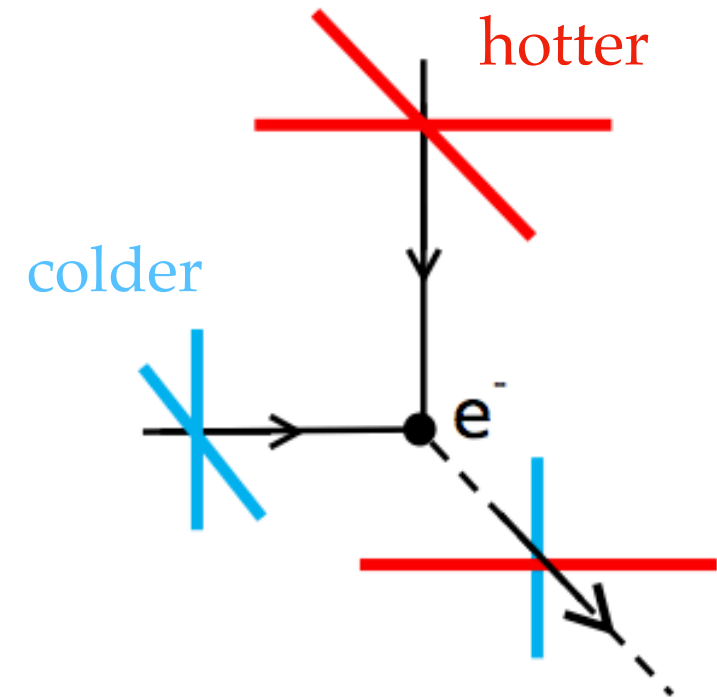
Trend of parameter shifts (e.g.  $H_0$ ) in SPT as more small scales (higher  $l$ ) information are included.



# Is it new physics??

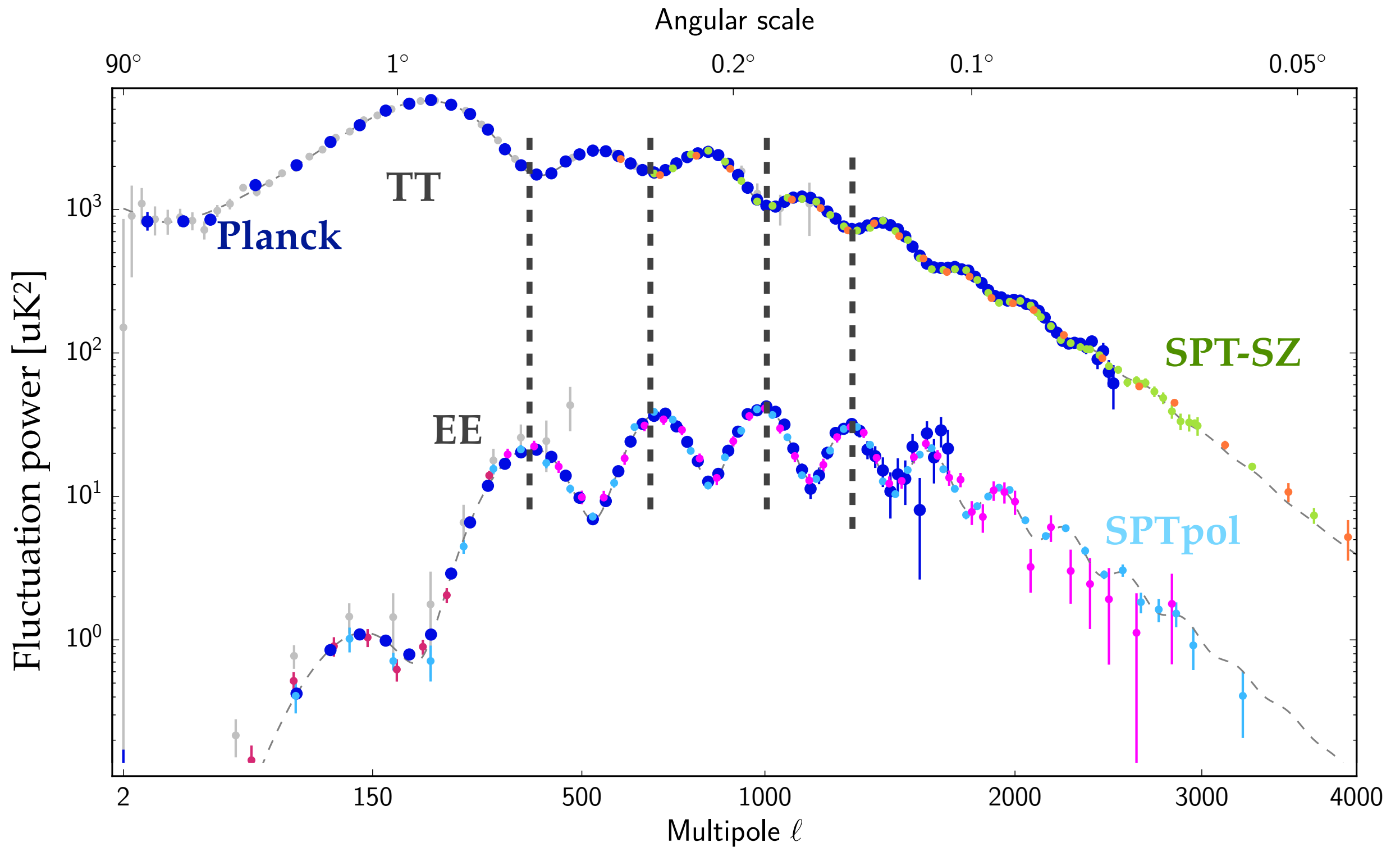


Background:  
IRAS dust



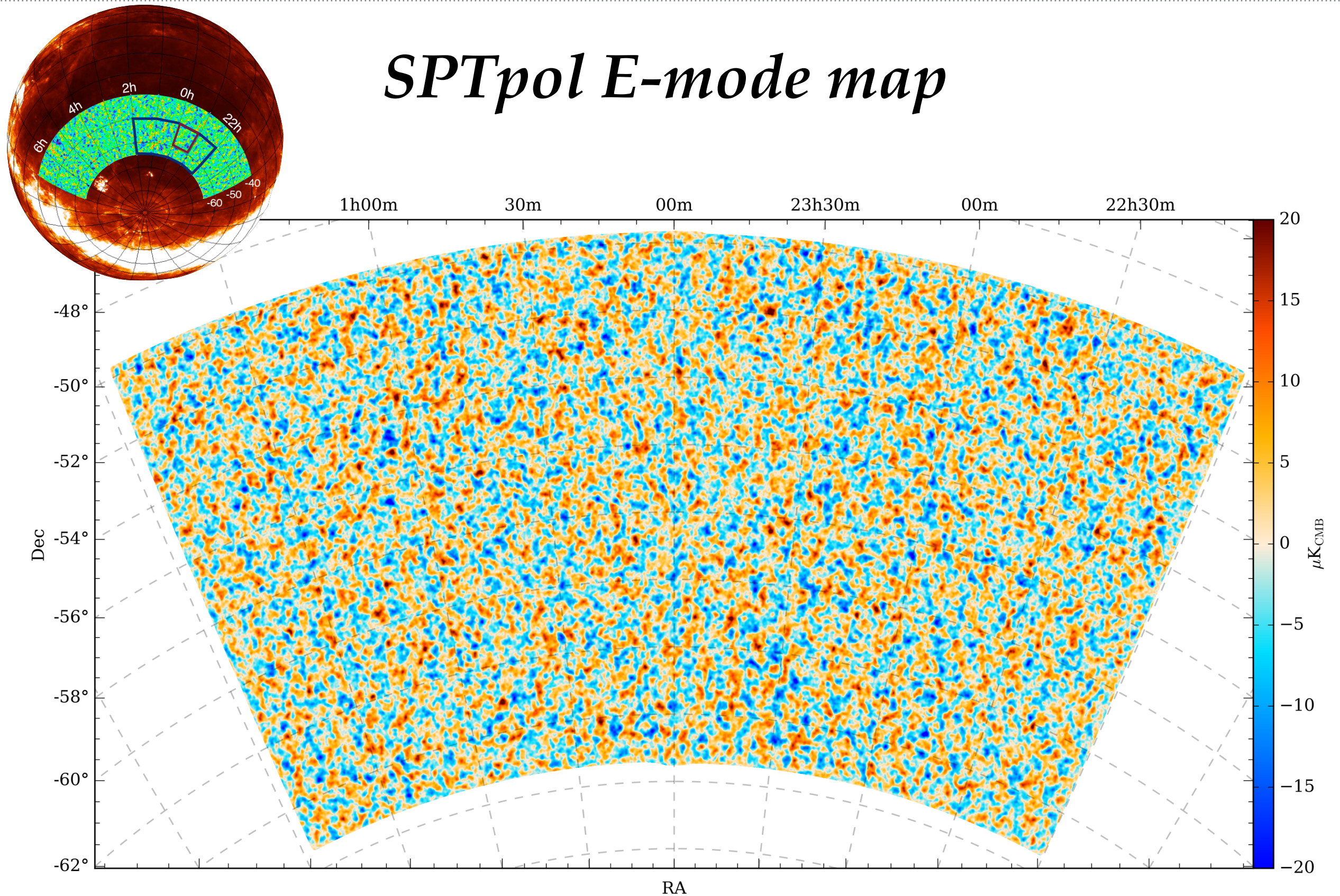
Test with  
CMB polarization!

# *How does having polarization help?*





# *SPTpol E-mode map*



150GHz; Smoothed by 4 arcmin FWHM Gaussian; deepest sub-degree polarization map to date.

Henning et. al (SPT, 1707.09353)



# *Is it new physics??*

If we see similar trends in polarization...

*it can be new physics,*

*it can be systematics affecting T/E spectra similarly.*

If we don't see similar trends in polarization...

*it can be systematics in either T or E or both,*

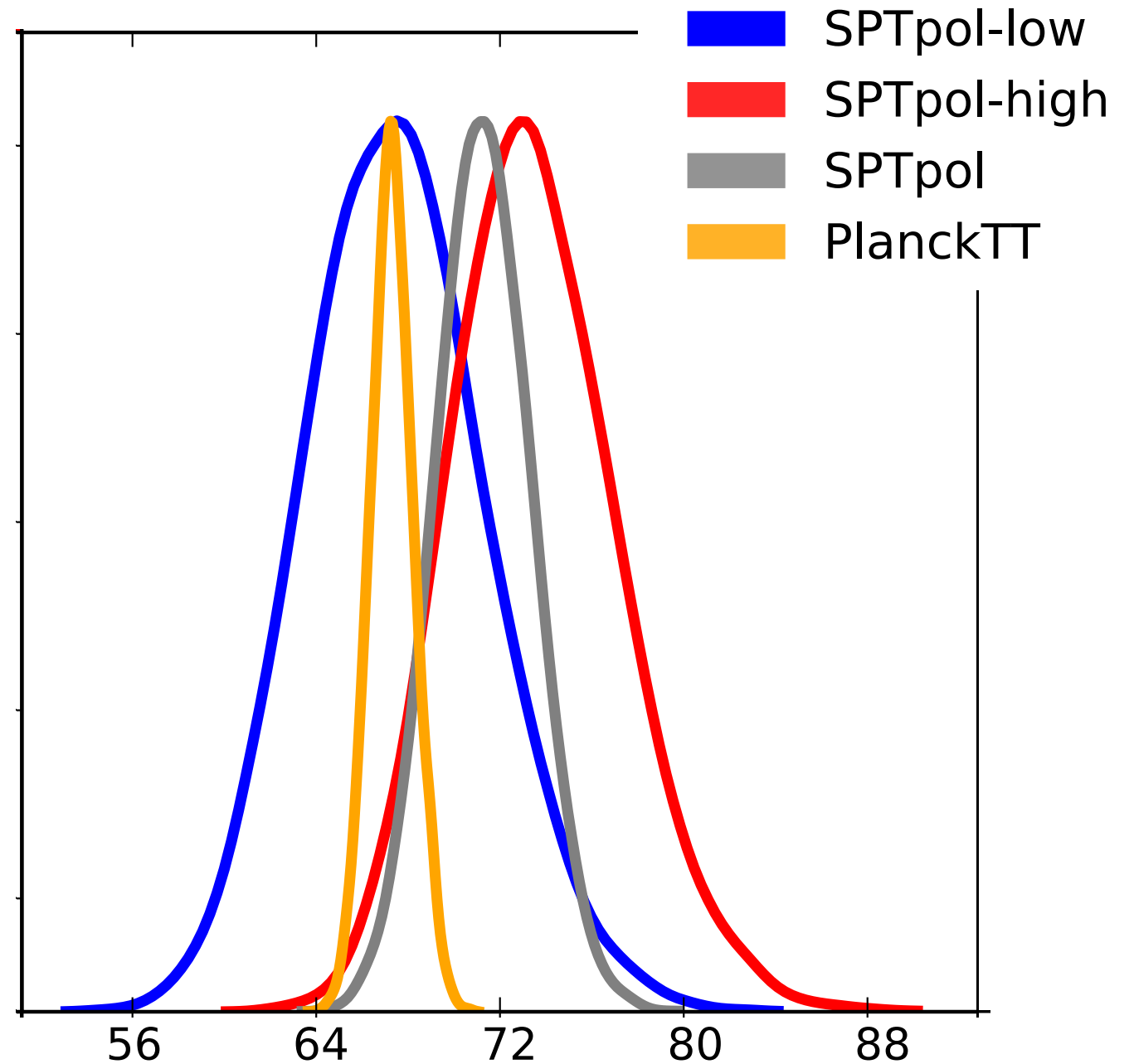
*it can be new physics that is observable only in T or E.*

# *SPTpol $H_0$ Trend*

- “Low- $\ell$ ” SPTpol data ( $\ell < 1000$ ) in good agreement with *Planck*TT results.
- Adding “high- $\ell$ ” data ( $\ell > 1000$ ) pushes  $H_0$  higher compared to *Planck*TT

$$H_0 = 71.2 \pm 2.1 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$$

Like from SPT-SZ, we see a trend of increasing  $H_0$  when including more small scales: need lower noise small scale measurements to further investigate if this is real!  
(SPT-3G and AdvACT)



$H_0$

Henning et. al  
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# Late-time\* cosmology from gravitational lensing

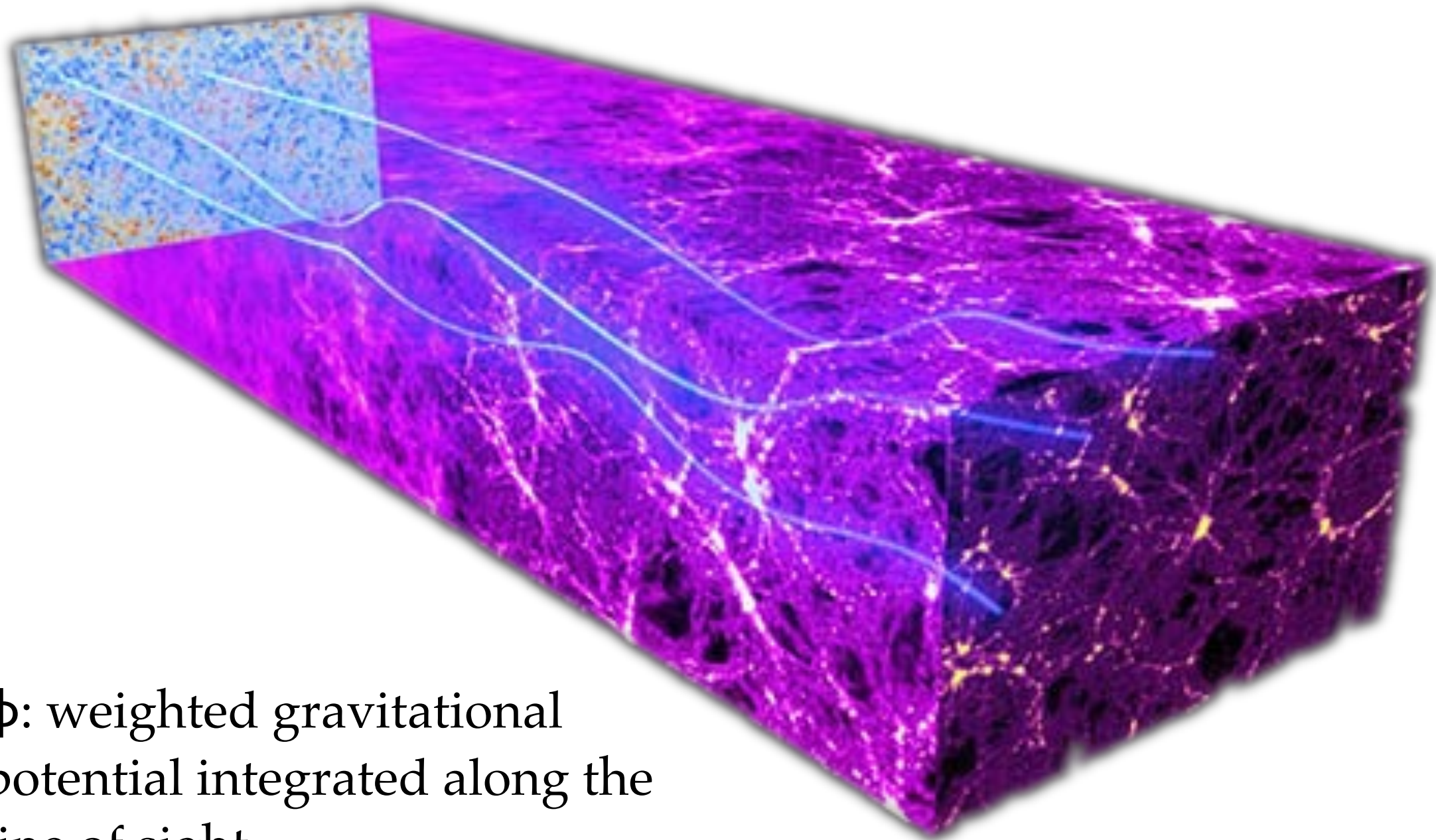
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\* $z \sim 2$



# *Lensing of the CMB*

$$\text{lensed field}(\hat{n}) = \text{unlensed field}(\hat{n} + \nabla\phi)$$



$\phi$ : weighted gravitational potential integrated along the line of sight



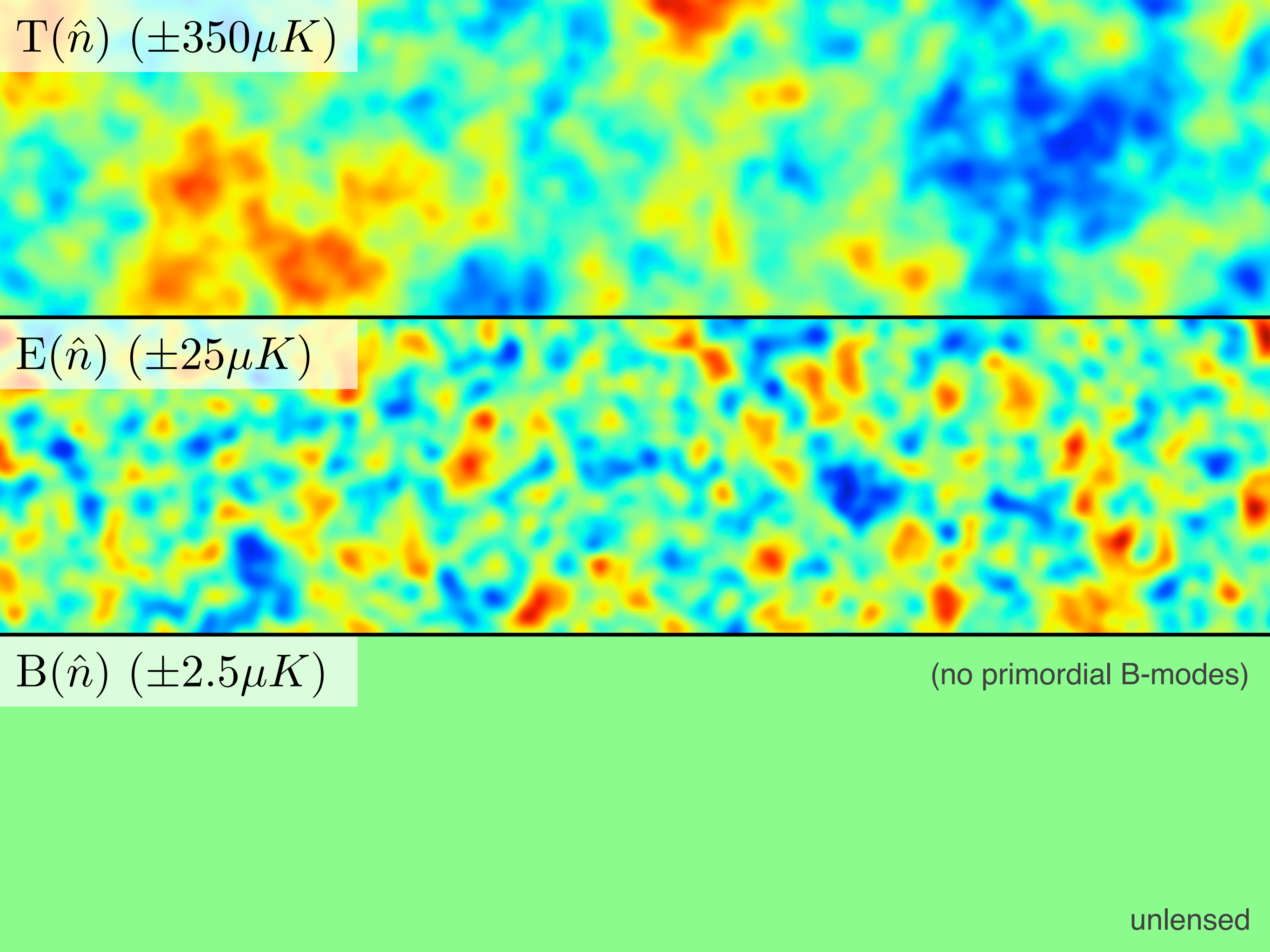
$T(\hat{n}) (\pm 350 \mu K)$

$E(\hat{n}) (\pm 25 \mu K)$

$B(\hat{n}) (\pm 2.5 \mu K)$

(no primordial B-modes)

unlensed





$T(\hat{n}) (\pm 350 \mu K)$

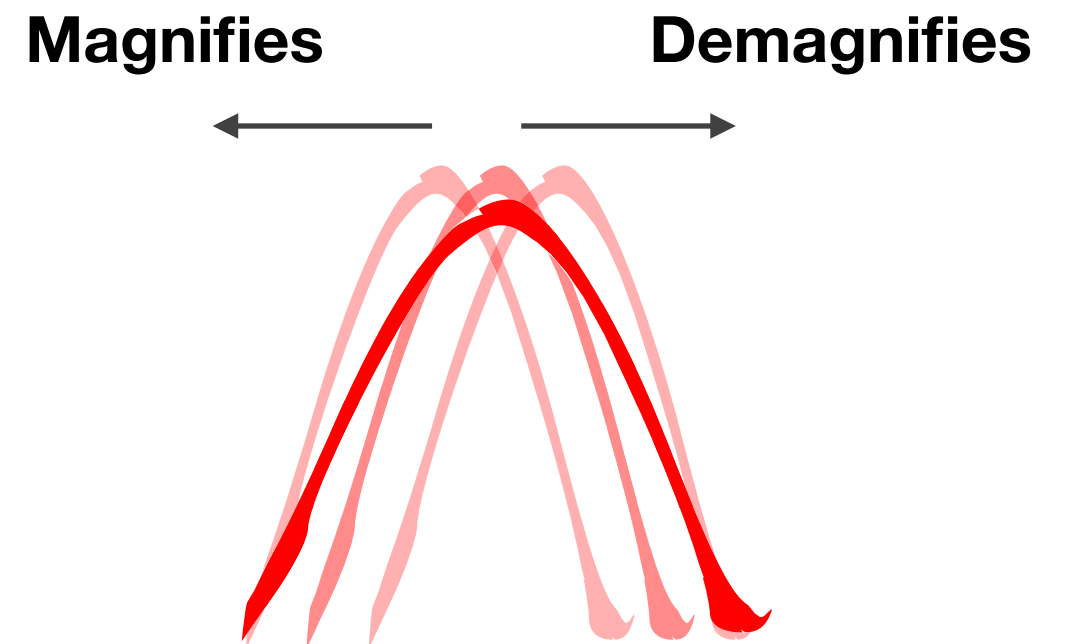
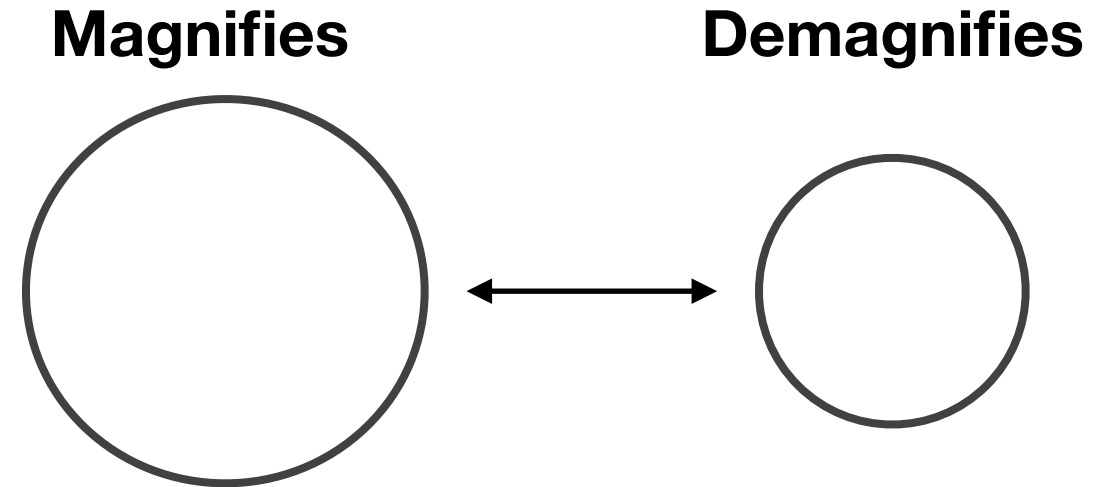
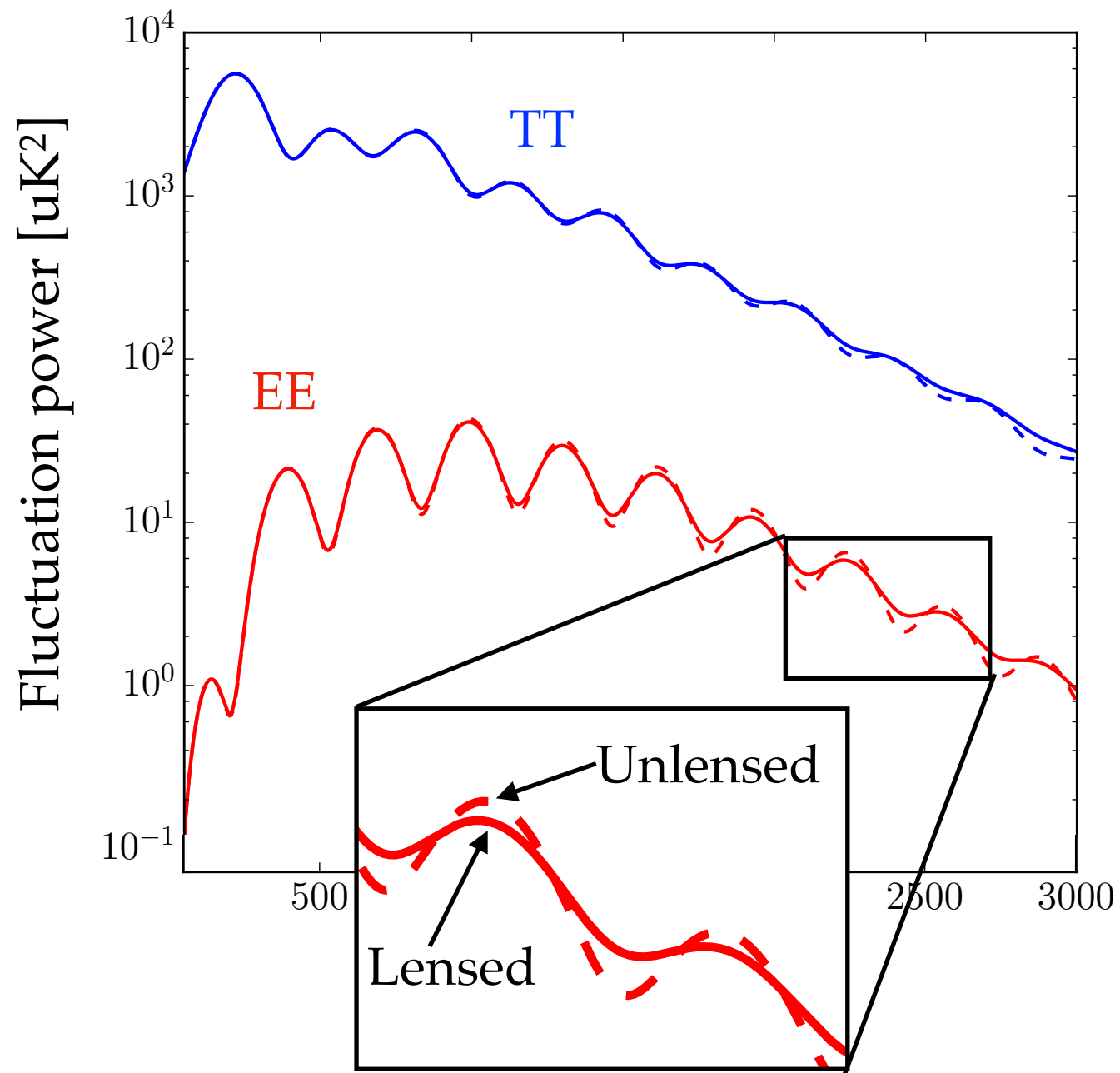
$E(\hat{n}) (\pm 25 \mu K)$

$B(\hat{n}) (\pm 2.5 \mu K)$

(no primordial B-modes)

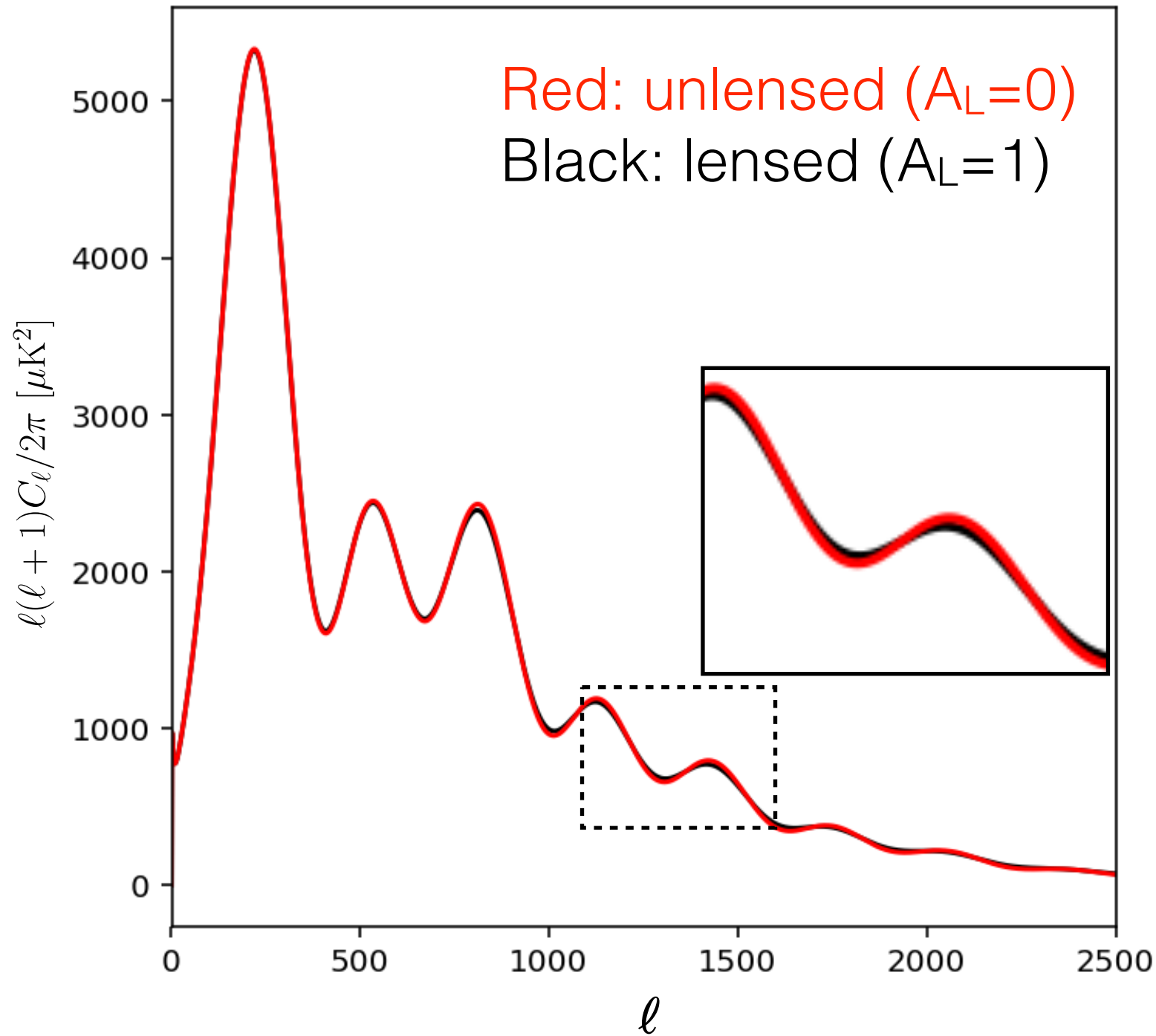


*(De)magnification in map = smoothing of peaks in spectra*



# What is the $A_{lens}$ tension?

TT



$A_L$ : unphysical parameter that controls peak smoothing

The amount of peak smoothing measured in the Planck spectra is  $2.8\sigma$  higher than the  $A_L=1$  expectation.

If we directly measure the integrated gravitational potential from lensed CMB maps, is that lensing amplitude consistent with  $\Lambda$ CDM expectation?

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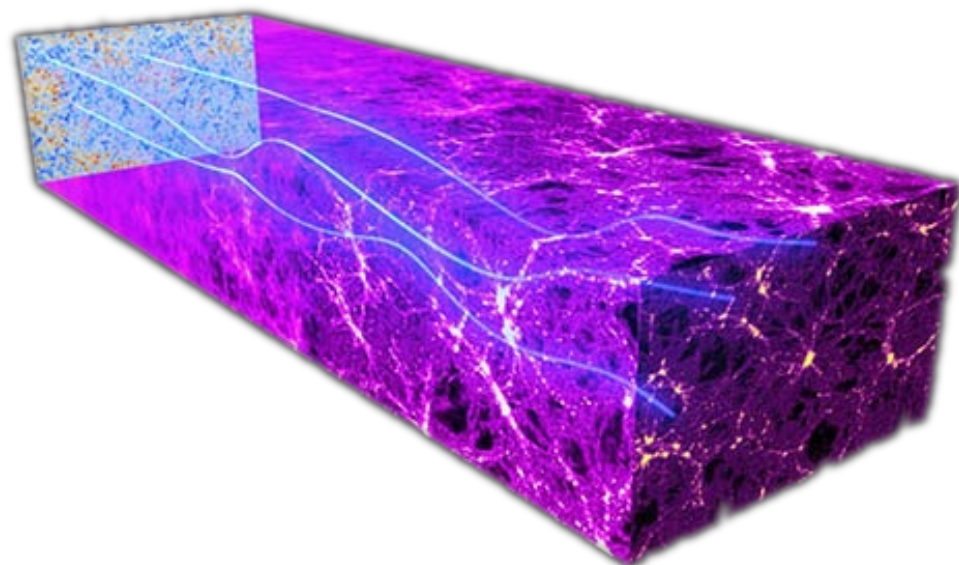
# *Lensing introduces off-diagonal correlations in CMB map covariances*

$$\langle x(\boldsymbol{\ell}) x'(\boldsymbol{\ell}') \rangle_{\text{CMB}} = f_{\alpha}(\boldsymbol{\ell}, \boldsymbol{\ell}') \phi(\mathbf{L})$$

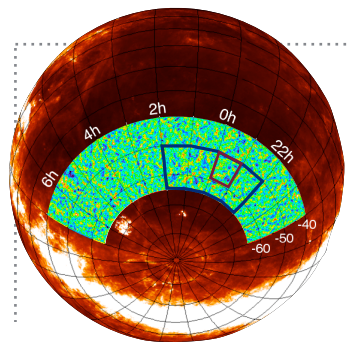
$$x, x' = T, E, B$$

$$\mathbf{L} = \boldsymbol{\ell} + \boldsymbol{\ell}'$$

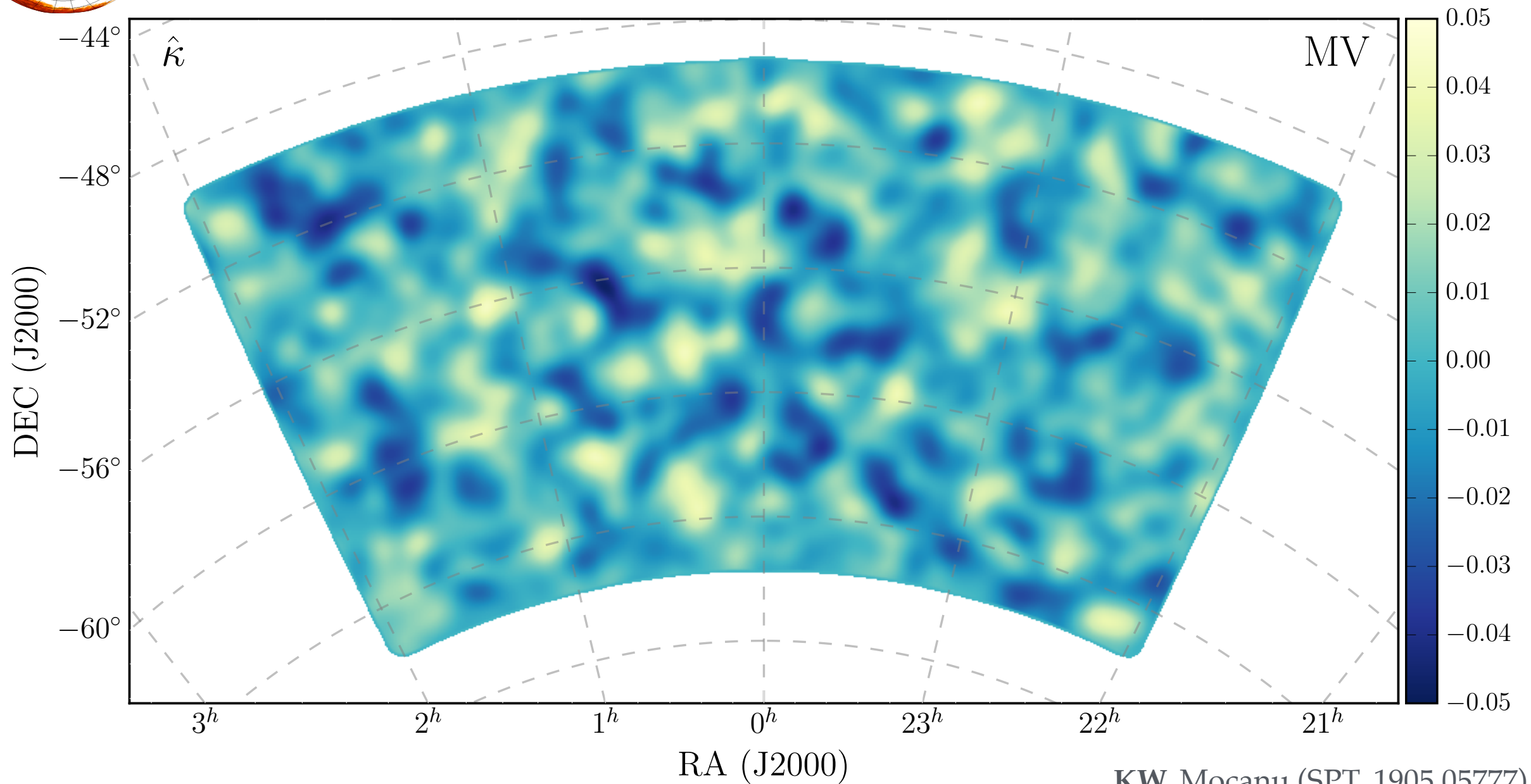
functions of unlensed  
T/E/B spectra



*We can use the off-diagonal correlations to reconstruct  $\phi$ !*

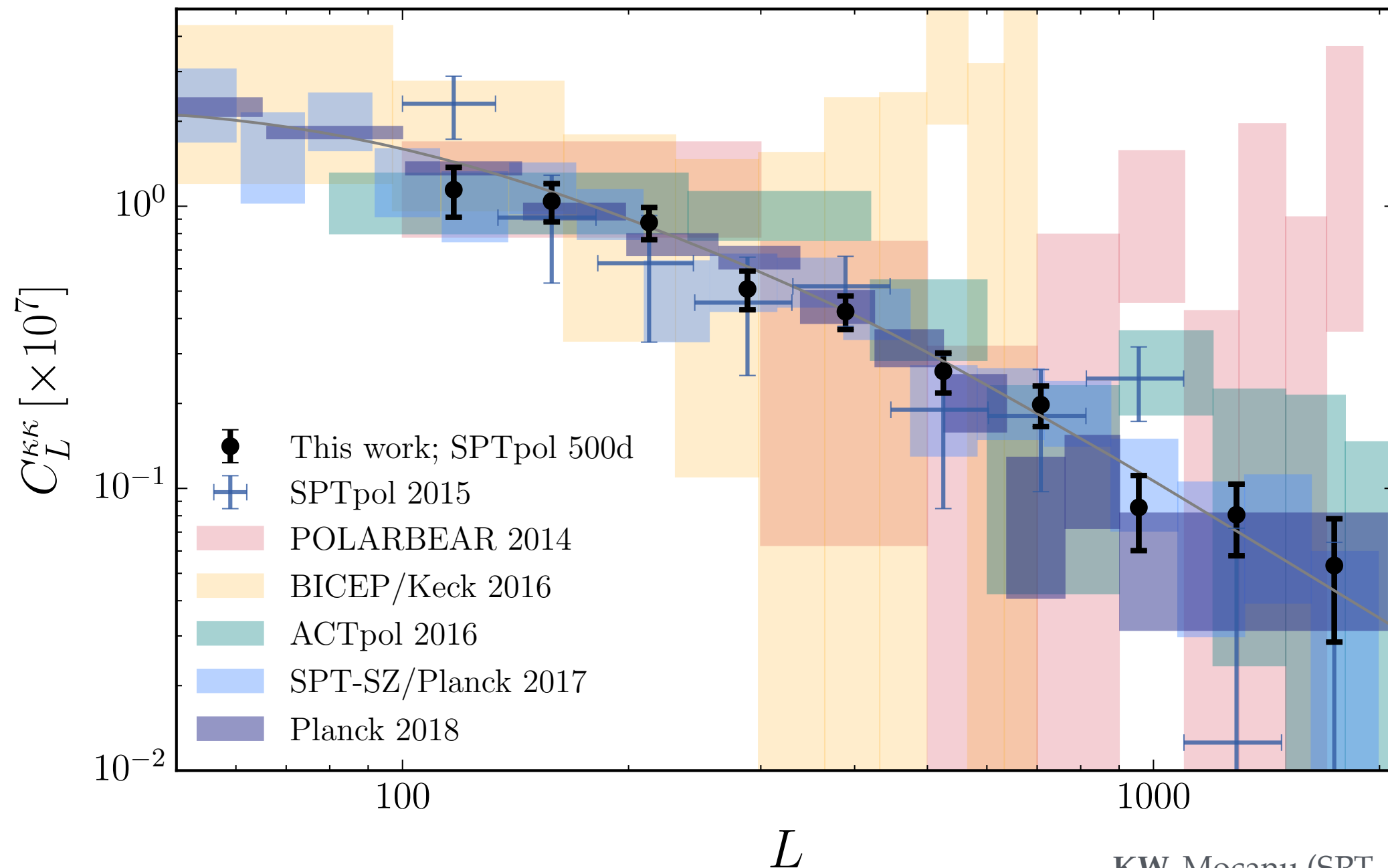


# *SPTpol lensing convergence map*



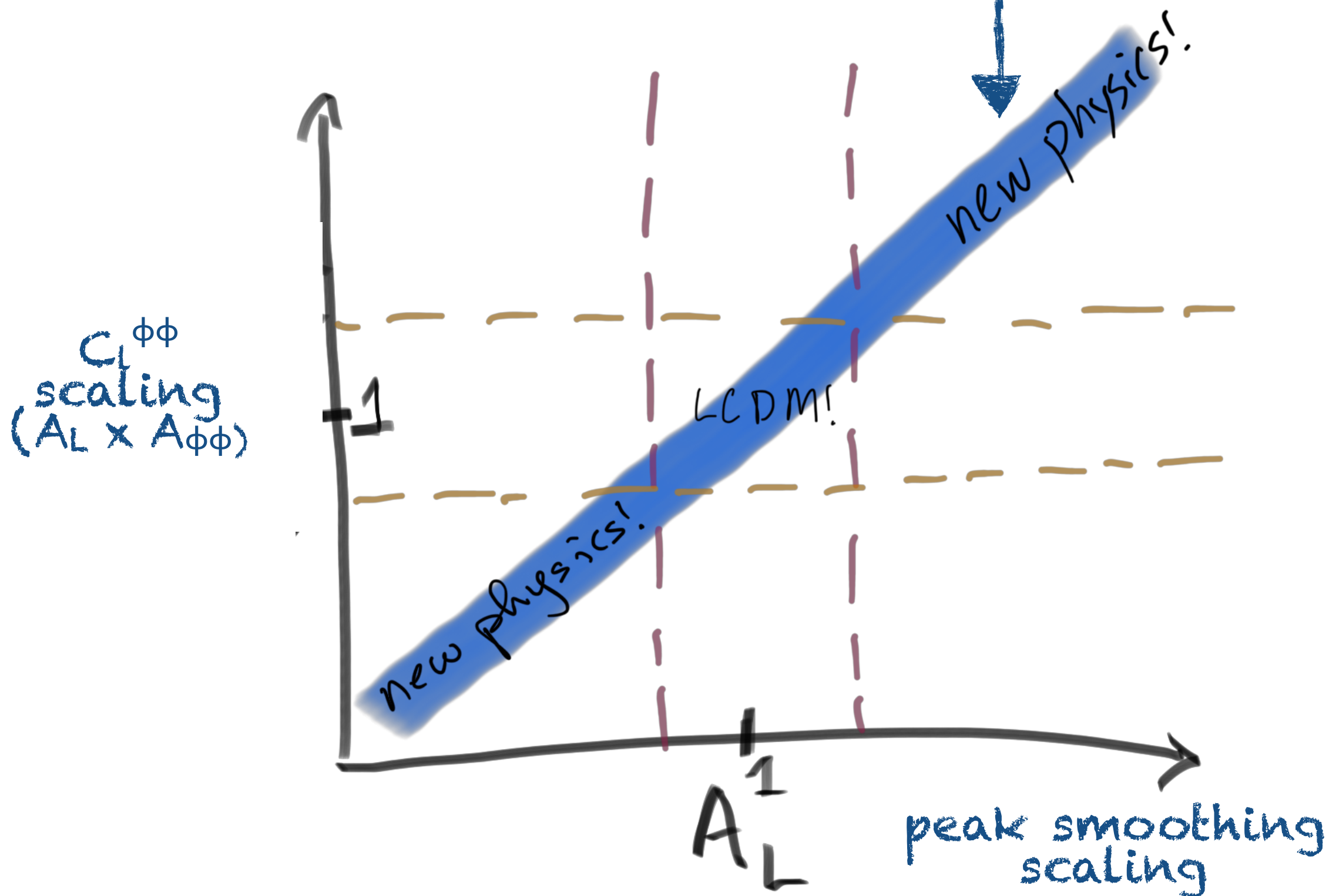
150GHz; Smoothed by 1 degree FWHM Gaussian; deepest lensing map to date.

# *Is the lensing power spectrum consistent with LCDM parameters from TT/TE/EE power spectra?*



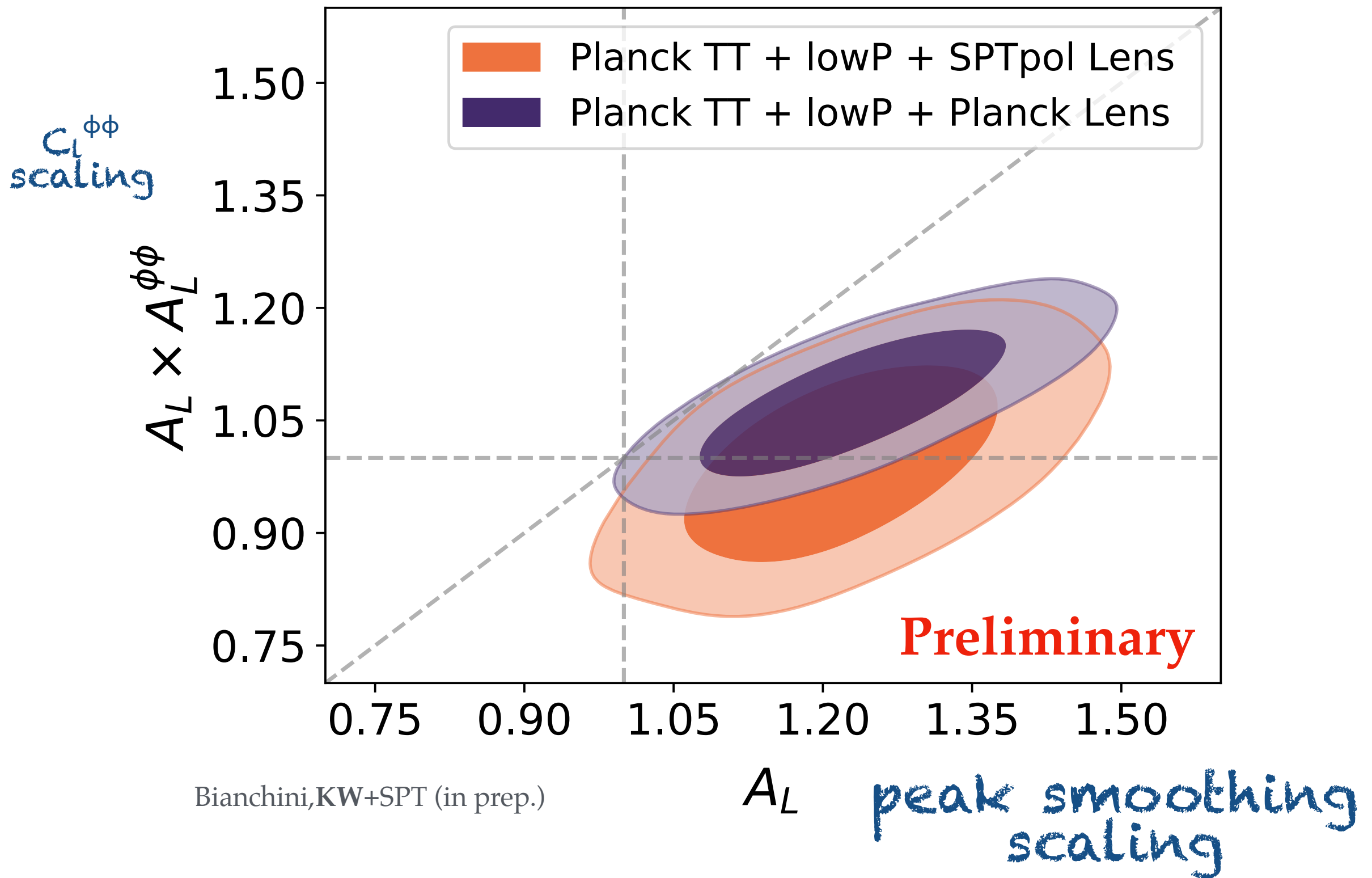
Test with artificially scaling the lensing spectrum.

*Amount of peak smoothing  
in TT/TE/EE power spectra  
vs lensing reconstruction*





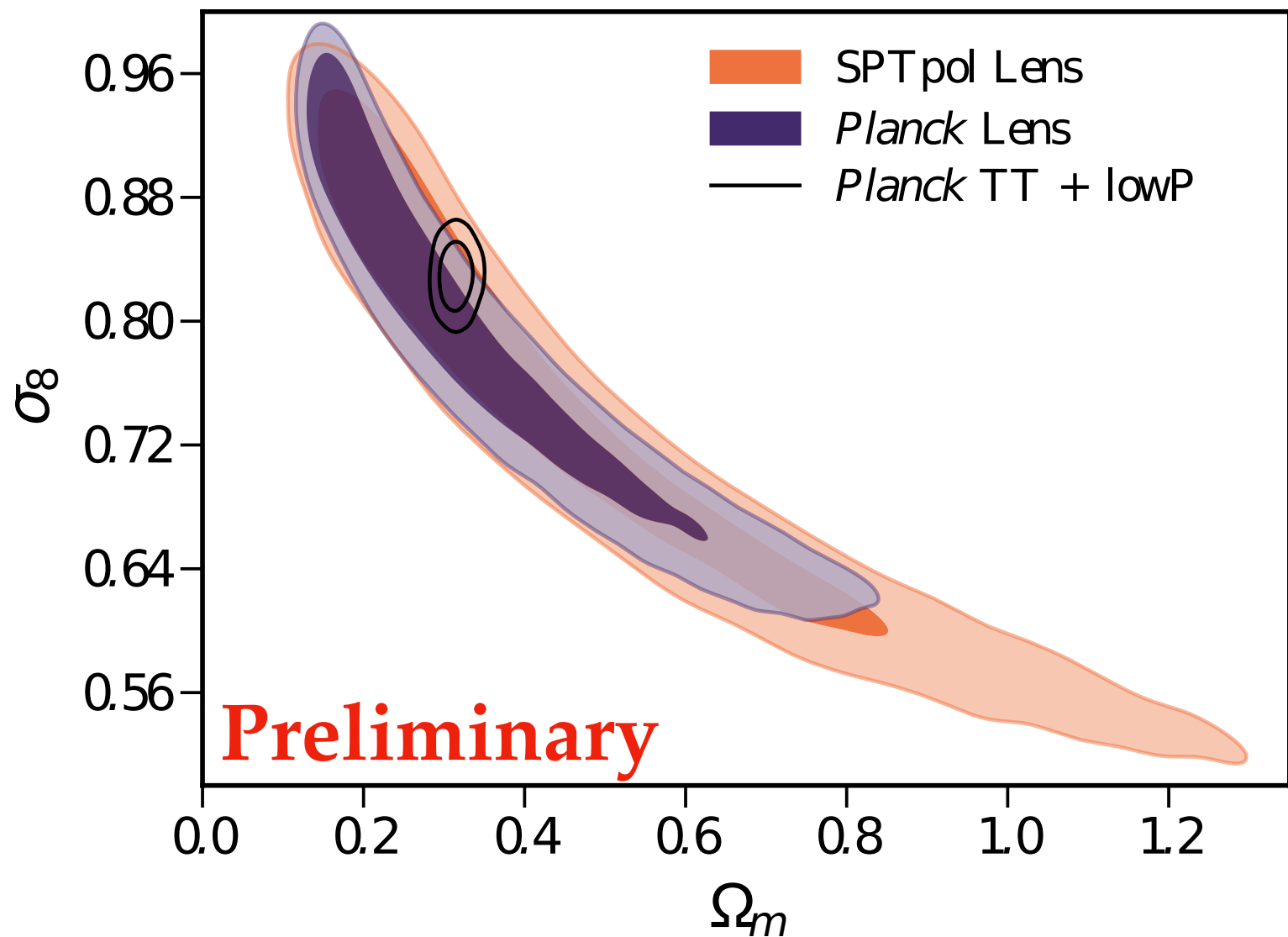
# *Lensing is consistent with $\Lambda$ CDM prediction*



Model solutions to the  $H_0$  crisis should not worsen other tensions.

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# $\sigma_8 \Omega_m^{0.25}$ : consistent with Planck lensing



Bianchini, KW+SPT (in prep.)

## SPTpol lensing

$$\sigma_8 \Omega_m^{0.25} = 0.593 \pm 0.025$$

(4% constraint)

## Planck lensing

$$\sigma_8 \Omega_m^{0.25} = 0.590 \pm 0.020$$

(3% constraint)

## Planck + SPTpol lensing

$$\sigma_8 \Omega_m^{0.25} = 0.587 \pm 0.015$$

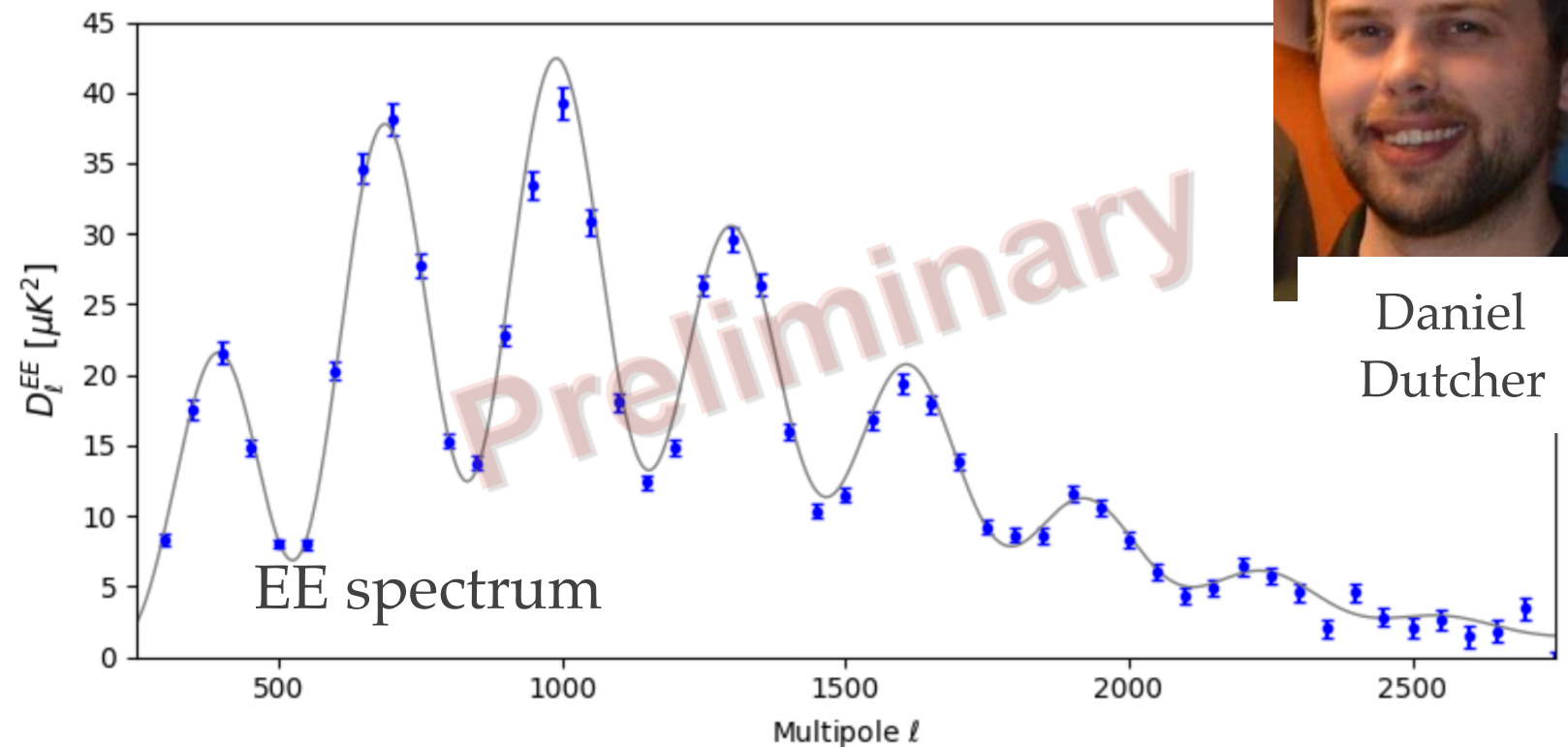
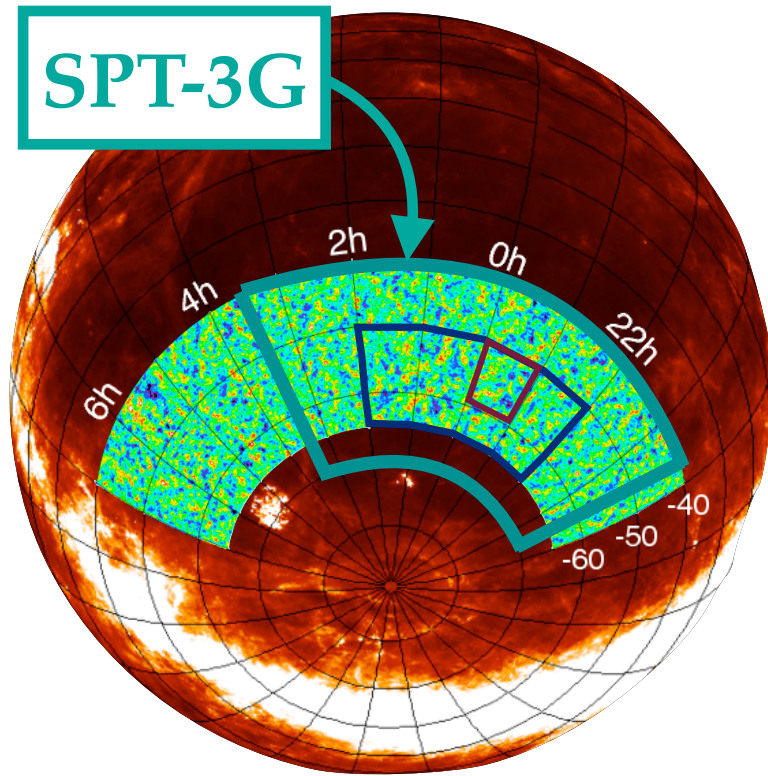
(2.5% constraint)



What's next?

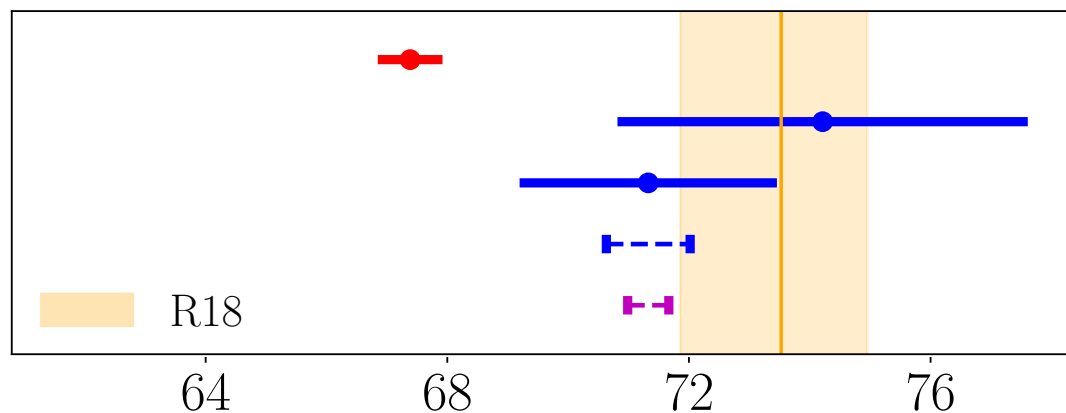
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# SPT-3G: projected $H_0$ constraint comparable with Planck



Daniel Dutcher

$H_0$  [km/s/Mpc]



- Planck  $TT + TE + EE + lowE$
- SPT-SZ
- SPT-POL
- SPT-3G
- SPT-3G + Planck  $TT(\ell < 800)$

Figure by Kevin Aylor



# Summary

- SPT-SZ TT consistent with Planck in same patch over same angular scales (if systematics, likely outside patch or angular range);
- SPT-SZ and SPTpol both show trend of higher  $H_0$  when smaller scales are included in parameter constraints; SPT-3G's lower noise will be useful for investigating this trend.
- SPTpol lensing amplitude is consistent with LCDM expectation;  $\sigma_8 \Omega_m^{0.25}$  is consistent with Planck lensing. Stay tuned for the parameters paper!

Thank you for your attention!