

# Cosmological Implications from BICEP2

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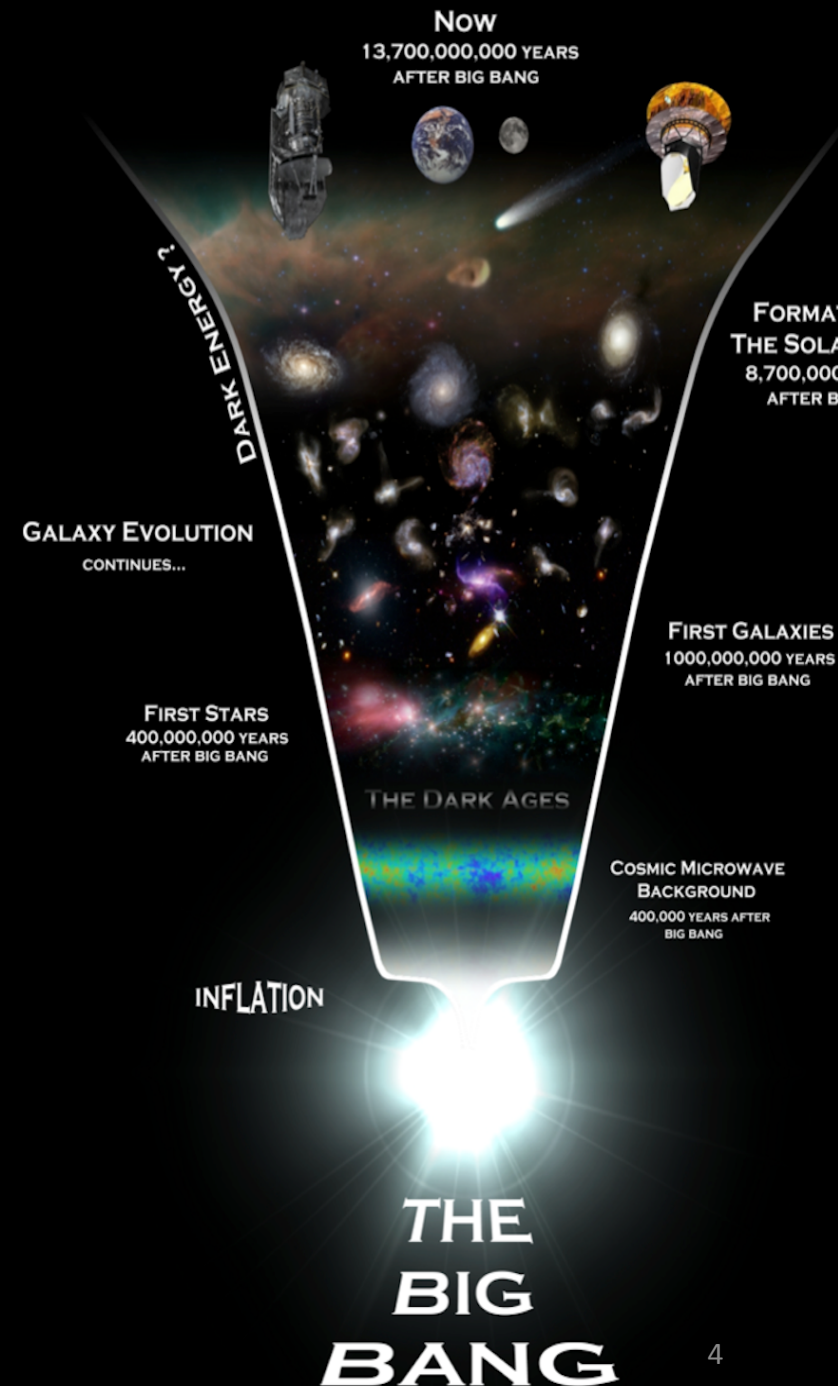
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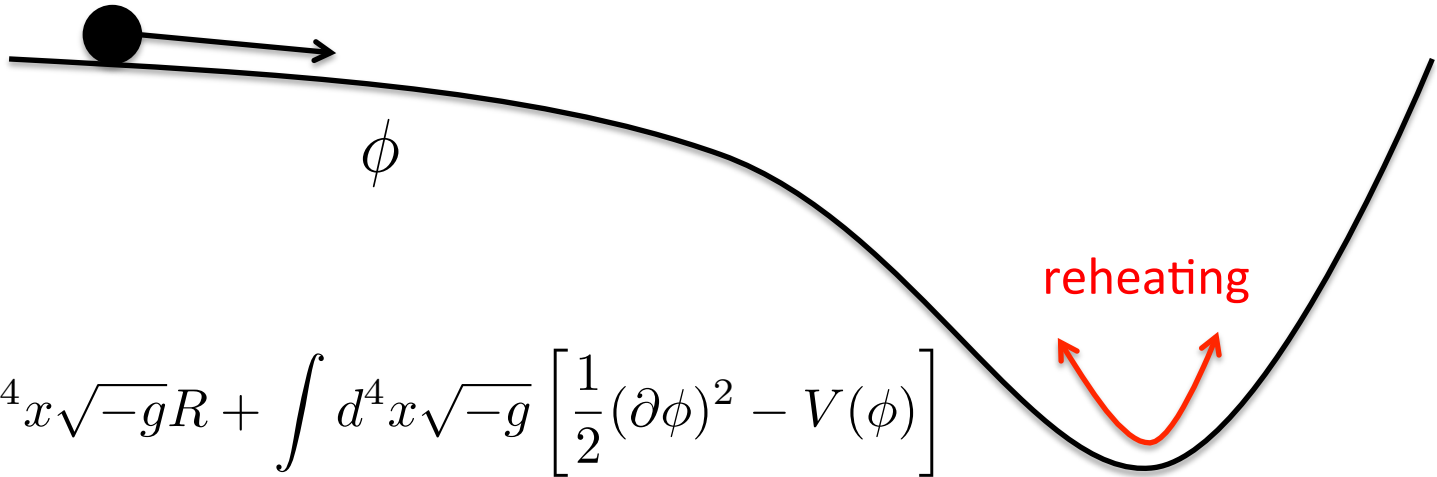
# Probing the inflationary universe from low- $l$ CMB data

# Successes of Inflation:

- The Universe is big
- Homogeneity and isotropy
- Flatness problem
- Why no magnetic monopole?
- Nearly scale-invariant, adiabatic and Gaussian density perturbations.
- Nearly scale-invariant relic gravitational waves.
- .....



# Slow-Roll Inflation



$$S = \frac{M_p^2}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} R + \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left[ \frac{1}{2} (\partial\phi)^2 - V(\phi) \right]$$

$$H^2 = \frac{1}{3M_p^2} \left( \frac{1}{2} \dot{\phi}^2 + V(\phi) \right) \quad \ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} + V'(\phi) = 0$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{M_p^2}{2} \left( \frac{V'}{V} \right)^2 \ll 1$$

$$\left| \eta = M_p^2 \frac{V''}{V} \right| \ll 1$$

$$H^2 \simeq \frac{V}{3M_p^2}$$

$$3H\dot{\phi} \simeq -V'$$

$$a(t) \sim e^{Ht}$$

- There are three kinds of perturbations: scalar, vector and tensor (gravitational waves) perturbations.
- At the linear order, these three kinds of perturbations evolve independently and therefore we can analyze them separately.
- Since there are no rotational velocity fields during inflation, the vector perturbations are not excited.

### Scalar perturbations:

$$\zeta = \delta N = H\delta t = \frac{H}{\dot{\phi}}\delta\phi = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\epsilon}M_p}\delta\phi$$

$$P_s = \frac{H^2/M_p^2}{8\pi^2\epsilon}$$

$$n_s \equiv 1 + \frac{d \ln P_s}{d \ln k} = 1 - 6\epsilon + 2\eta$$

### Gravitational waves:

$$P_t = \frac{H^2/M_p^2}{\pi^2/2}$$

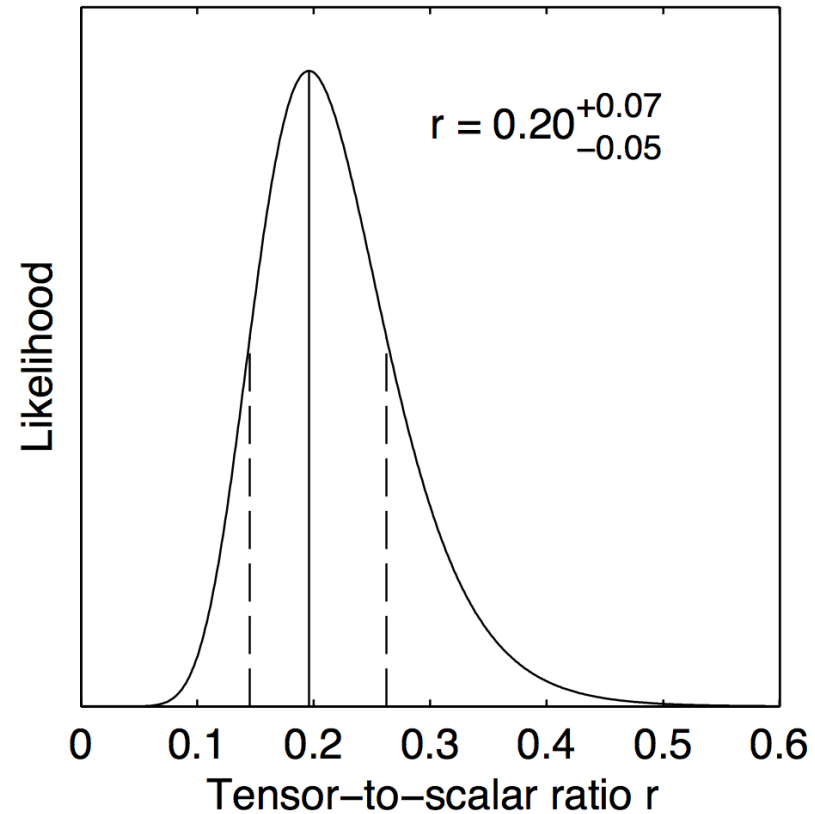
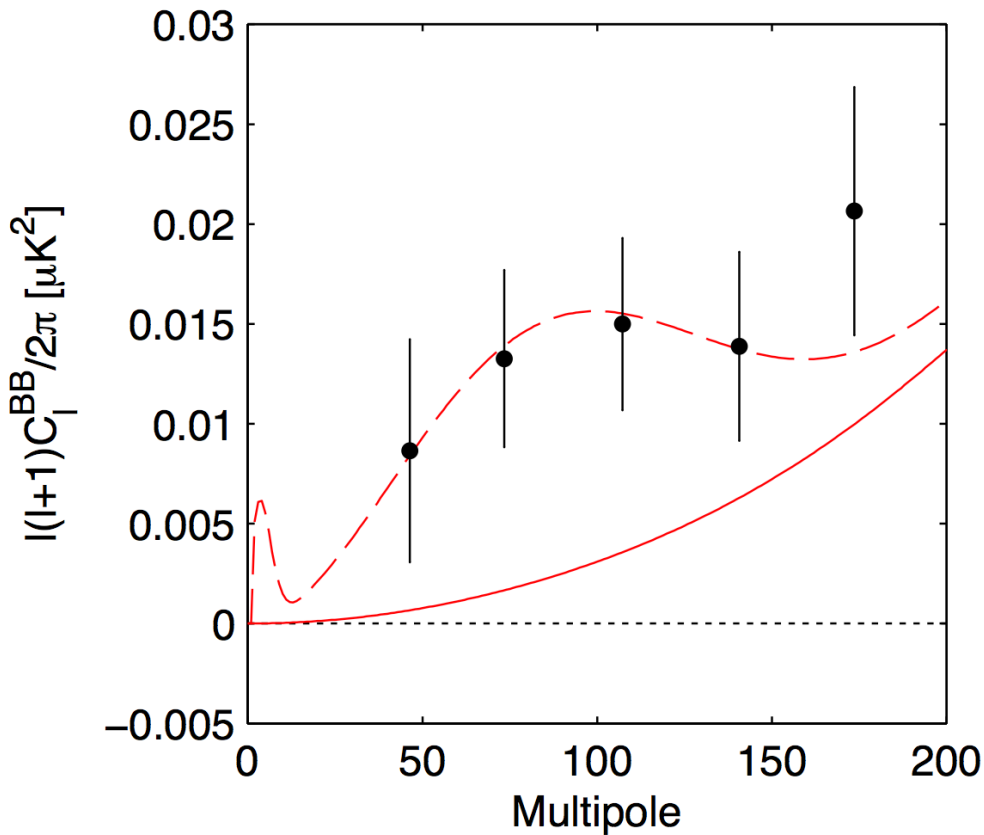
$$r = P_t/P_s = 16\epsilon$$

$$n_t = -2\epsilon$$

$$n_t = -r/8$$

**Nearly scale-invariant!**

# Discovery of relic gravitational waves (BICEP2)



$r = 0.20^{+0.07}_{-0.05}$ , with  $r = 0$  is disfavored at  $7.0\sigma$

BICEP2 collaboration, arXiv:1403.3985

# Naturalness of inflation?

$$\frac{\Delta T}{T} \sim 10^{-5} \iff \text{A small dimensionless parameter}$$



Lyth Bound:

$$\epsilon \equiv \frac{M_p^2}{2} \left( \frac{V'}{V} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\dot{\phi}^2}{M_p^2 H^2}$$

$$r = 16\epsilon$$

$$\frac{d\phi}{M_p} = \sqrt{\frac{r}{8}} H dt = \sqrt{\frac{r}{8}} dN$$

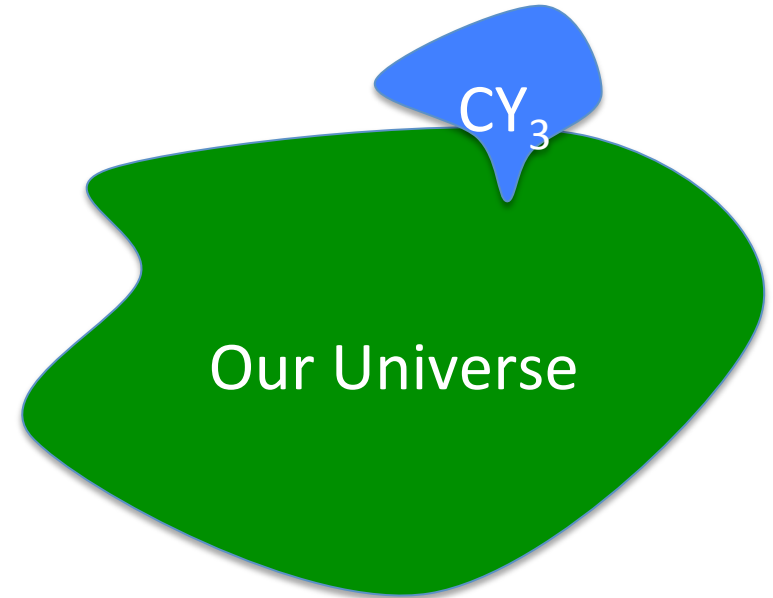
$$\frac{|\Delta\phi|}{M_p} \simeq \sqrt{\frac{r}{8}} \Delta N$$

$$\text{For } r = 0.2, \frac{|\Delta\phi|}{M_p} \simeq 0.16 \Delta N$$

Lyth, 1997(PRL)

## Warped D-brane inflation

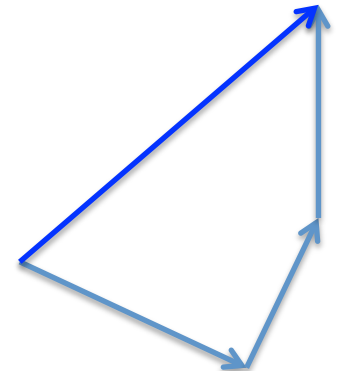
$$M_p^2 \sim \frac{M_s^8}{g_s^2} V_6$$



Single brane:  $|\Delta\phi| = \sqrt{T_3}r \leq \frac{2}{\sqrt{N_B}}M_p$

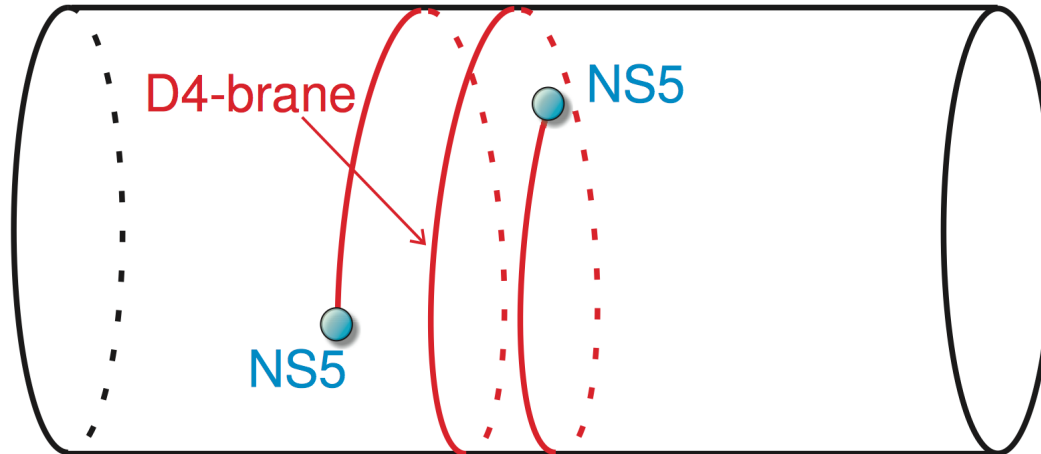
A stack of D-branes (N):  $|\Delta\phi| = \sqrt{T_3}r \leq \frac{2}{\sqrt{N}}M_p$

$$\Delta\Phi \equiv \sqrt{\sum (\Delta\phi_i)^2} \leq 2M_p$$



Baumann, McAllister, 2007

# Monodromy axion inflation in string theory



$$V \sim \phi^{2/3}$$

Silverstein and Westphal, 2008

$$V \sim \phi$$

McAllister, Silverstein and Westphal, 2008

$$V \sim \phi^2$$

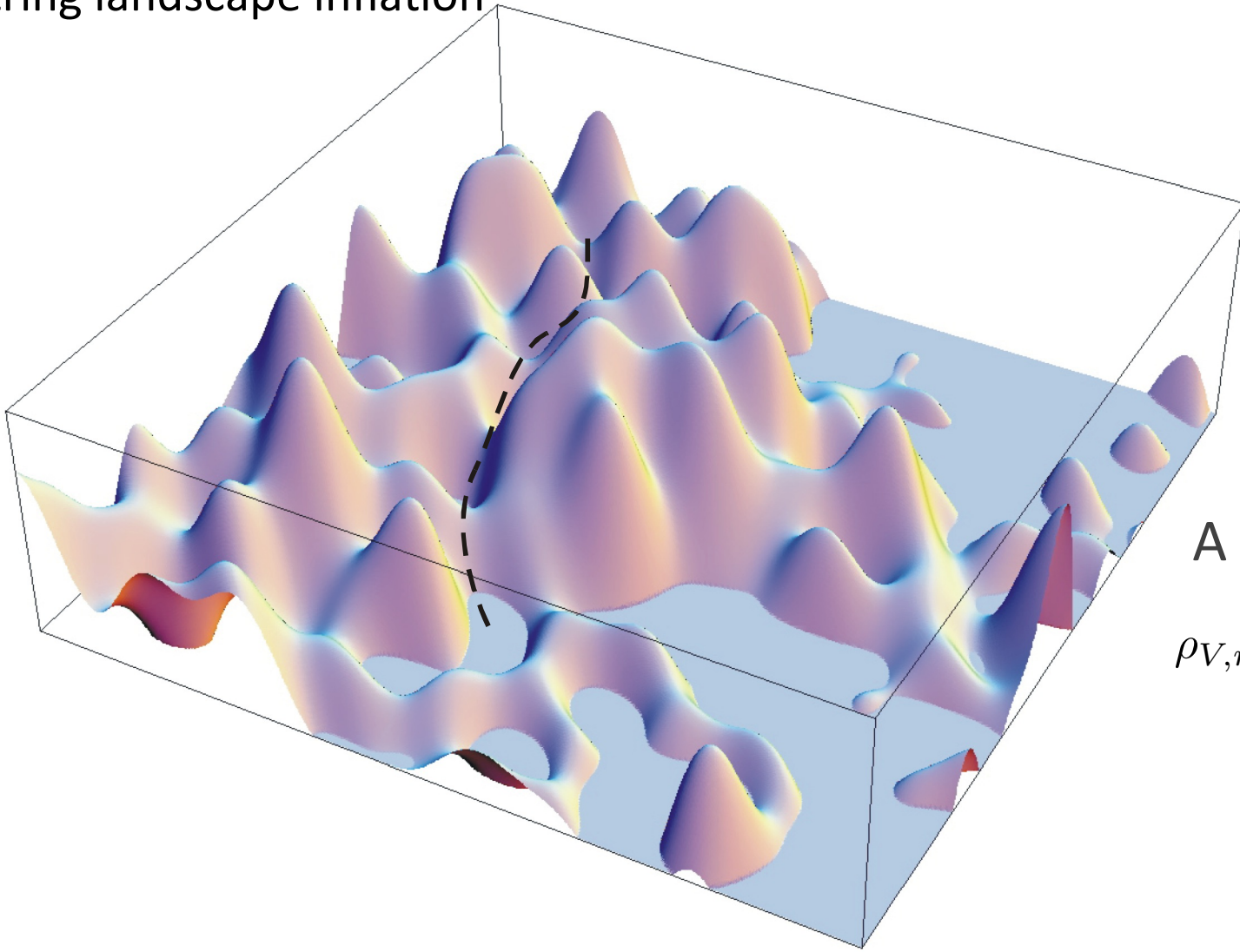
Marchesano, Shiu, Uranga, 2014

$$V \sim \phi^3, \dots$$

McAllister, Silverstein, Westphal, Wrase, 2014

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# String landscape inflation



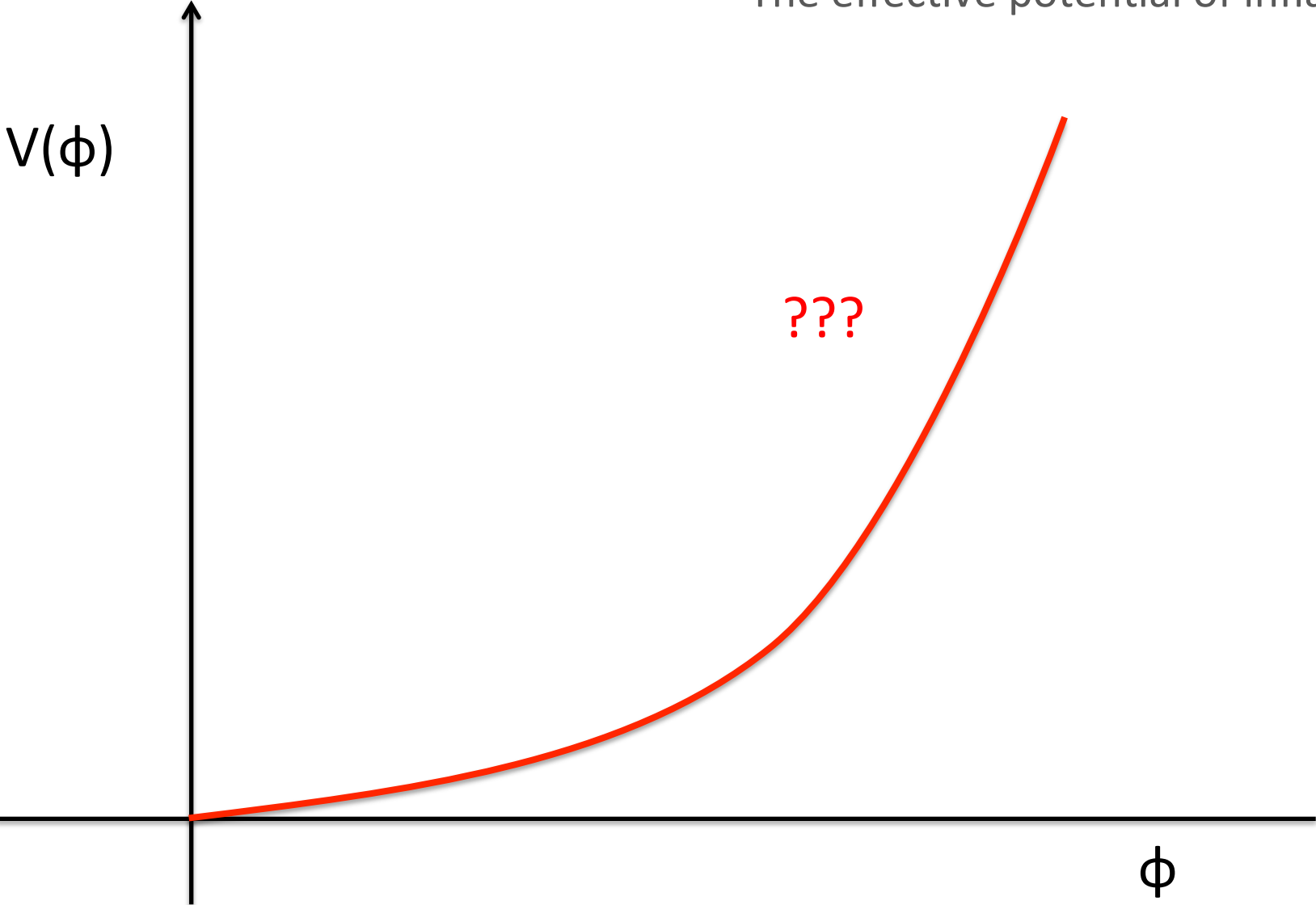
## A Toy Model

$$\rho_{V,n+1} - \rho_{V,n} = \sigma$$

$$n_s = 1 - \frac{5}{3N}$$

$$r = \frac{16}{3N}$$

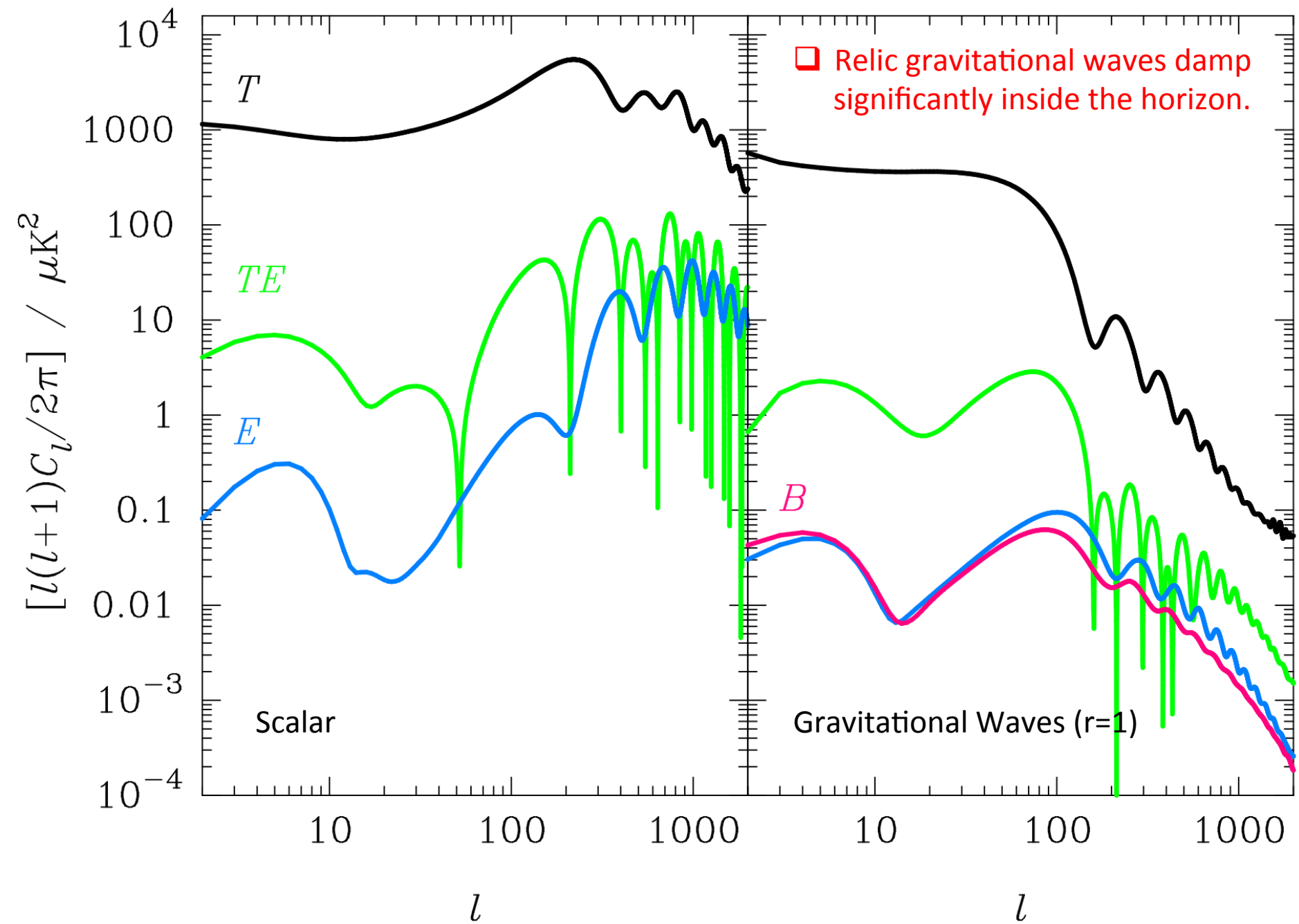
The effective potential of inflaton



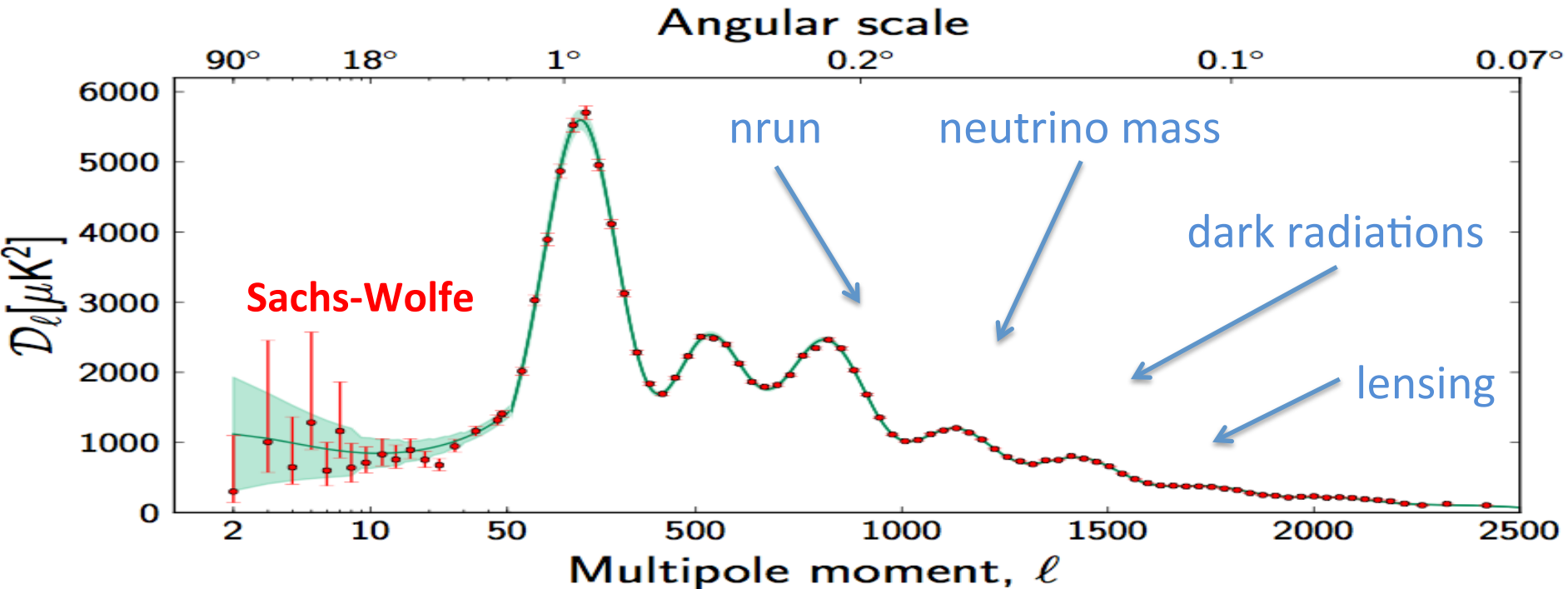
Everything is encoded in the data.

How to correctly extract the information from the data?

Global fitting may not be the best strategy.



- On large scales ( $>1^\circ$ ) any causal effects have not had time to operate.
- Low- $l$  CMB power spectra are dominated by the Sachs-Wolfe effect.



$l_{\max} = 150$



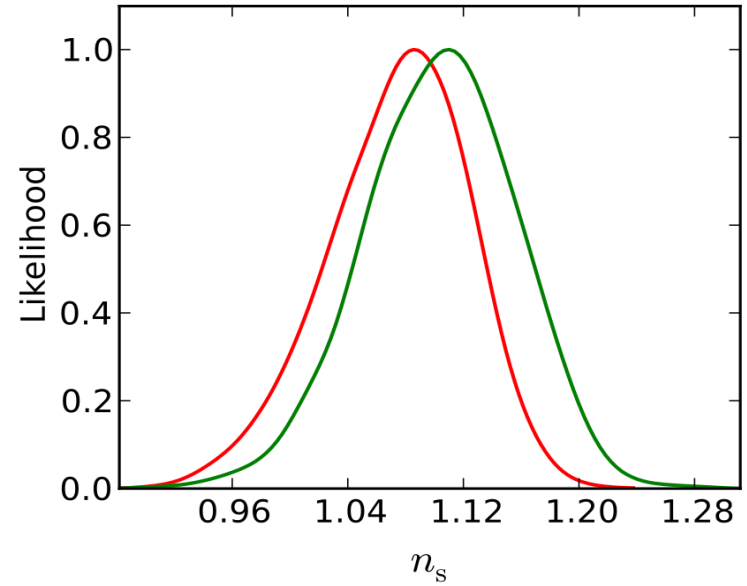
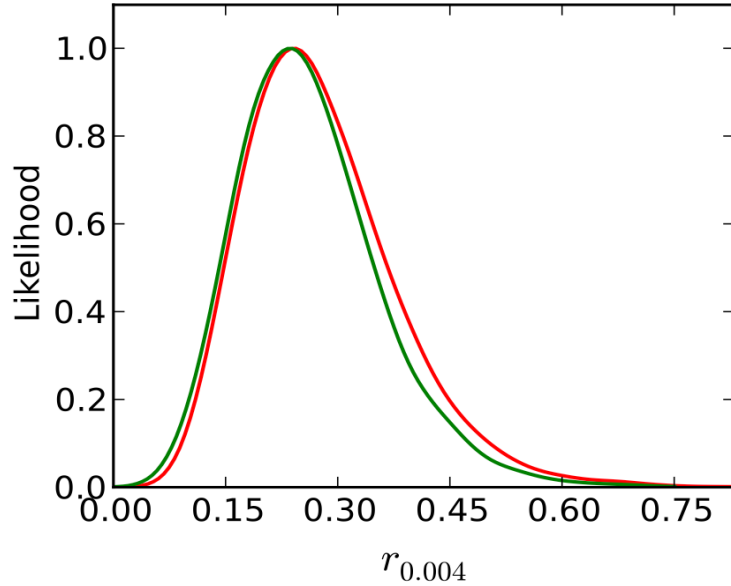
$\Delta N \simeq \ln 150/2 \simeq 4.3$

$\Delta N \simeq \ln 2500/150 \simeq 2.8$

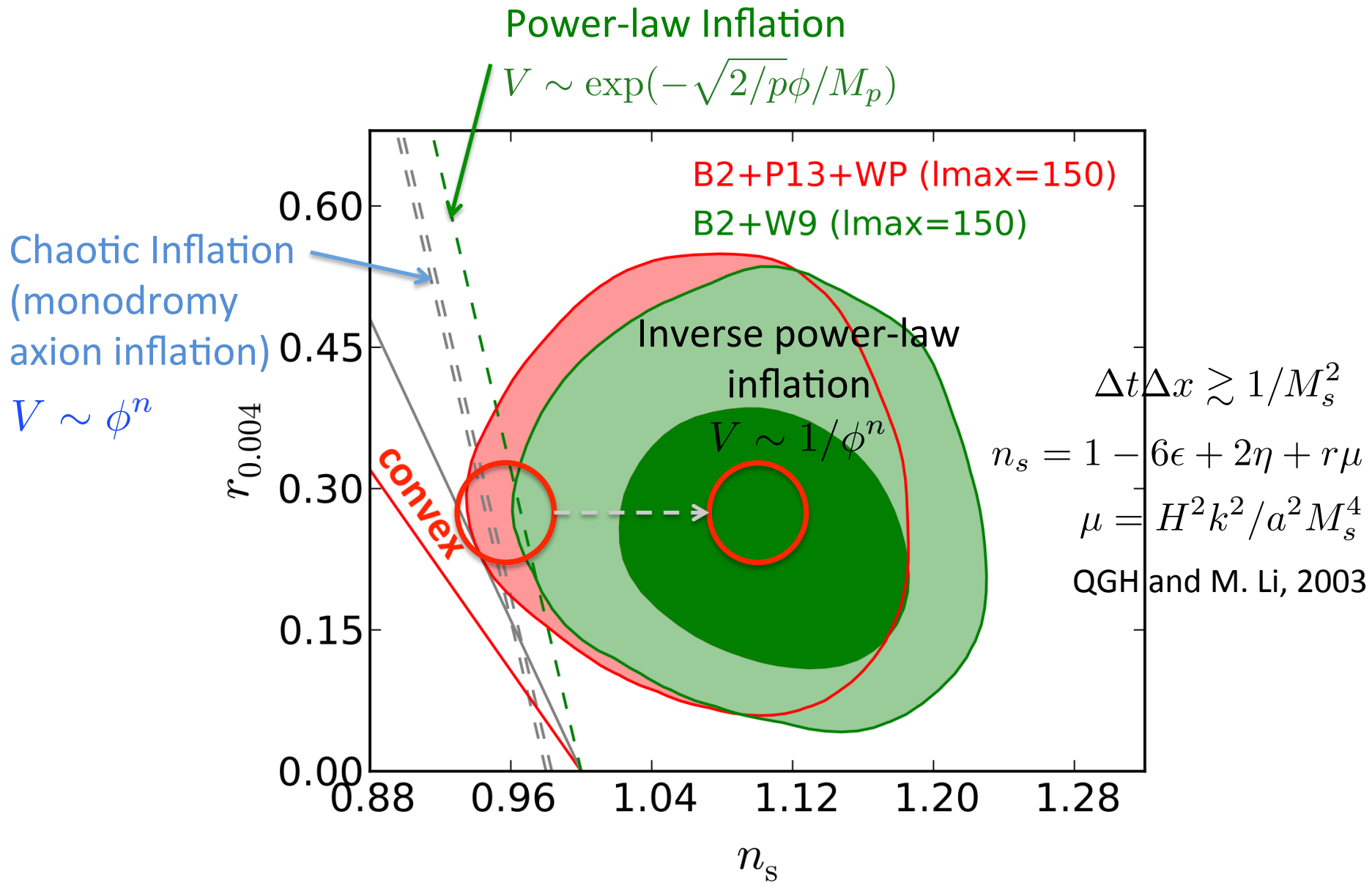


B2+P13 (TT) + W9 (TE)

B2+W9 (TT, TE)



$n_t = -r/8$	B2+W9 ( $\ell_{\max} = 150$ )		B2+P13+WP ( $\ell_{\max} = 150$ )	
parameters	best fit	68% limits	best fit	68% limits
$\Omega_b h^2$	0.0192	$0.0270^{+0.0074}_{-0.0104}$	0.0209	$0.0263^{+0.0077}_{-0.0149}$
$\Omega_c h^2$	0.140	$0.166^{+0.029}_{-0.046}$	0.141	$0.141^{+0.018}_{-0.038}$
$100\theta_{\text{MC}}$	1.116	$1.104^{+0.046}_{-0.048}$	1.142	$1.098^{+0.044}_{-0.027}$
$\tau$	0.095	$0.099^{+0.015}_{-0.018}$	0.105	$0.099^{+0.015}_{-0.018}$
$\ln(10^{10} A_s)$	3.106	$3.051^{+0.061}_{-0.054}$	3.021	$3.024^{+0.065}_{-0.057}$
$n_s$	1.098	$1.104^{+0.052}_{-0.051}$	1.120	$1.074^{+0.056}_{-0.042}$
$r$	0.19	$0.26^{+0.07}_{-0.11}$	0.23	$0.28^{+0.07}_{-0.12}$



C. Cheng, QGH, arXiv:1405.0349

### WMAP Cosmological Parameters

• Monte Carlo Markov Chain: wmap\_lcdm\_tens\_wmap9\_chains\_v5.tar.gz ( 359.06 MBytes )

WMAP Cosmological Parameters

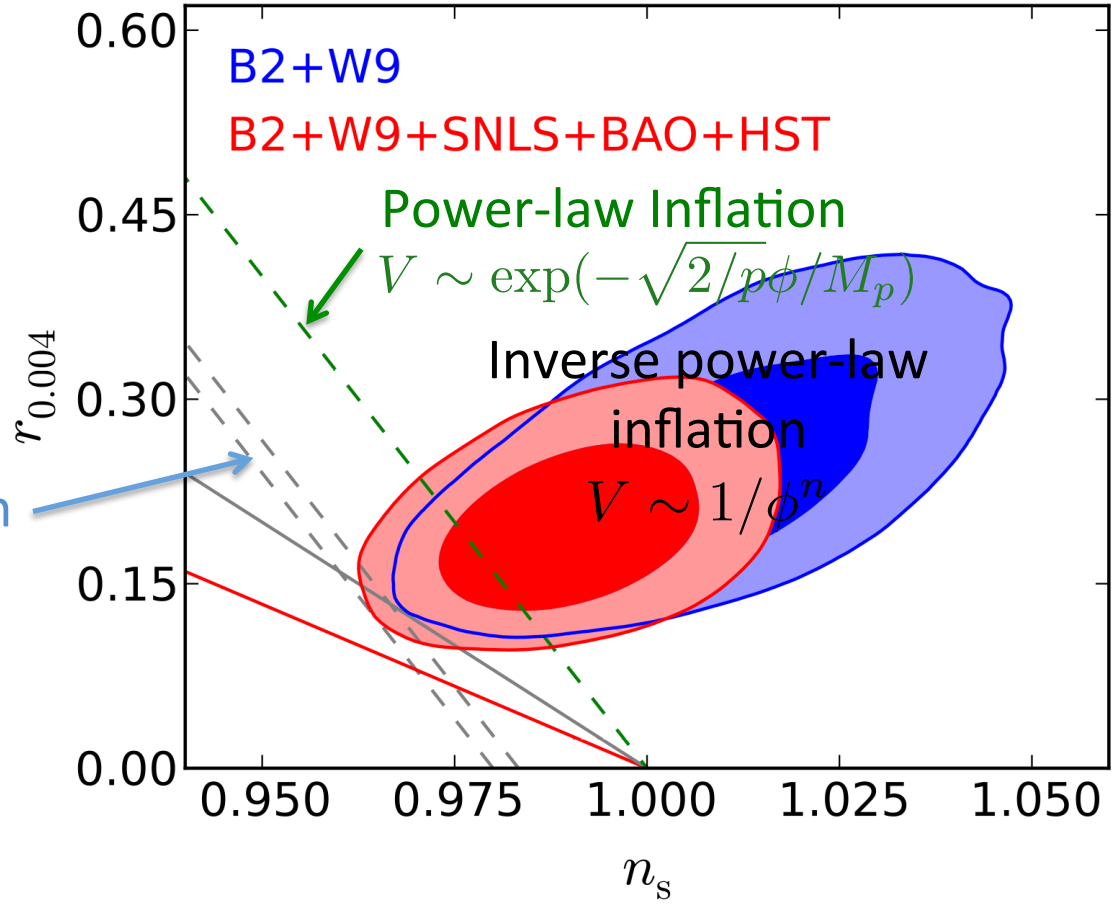
Model: lcdm+tens

Data: wmap9

$10^9 \Delta_{\mathcal{R}}^2$	$2.26 \pm 0.15$	$H_0$	$72.6 \pm 2.9 \text{ km/s/Mpc}$
$\ell(\ell+1)C_{220}/(2\pi)$	$5750^{+36}_{-35} \mu\text{K}^2$		
$d_A(z_*)$	$14083^{+125}_{-124} \text{ Mpc}$		
$\eta$	$(6.34 \pm 0.18) \times 10^{-10}$		
$\ell_{\text{eq}}$	$136.4 \pm 4.2$		
$n_b$	$(2.605 \pm 0.074) \times 10^{-7} \text{ cm}^{-3}$		
$n_t$	$> -0.048 \text{ (95\% CL)}$		
$\Omega_b h^2$	$0.02320 \pm 0.00066$		
$\Omega_c h^2$	$0.1095^{+0.0054}_{-0.0055}$		
$\Omega_m$	$0.254 \pm 0.029$		
$r$	<b><math>&lt; 0.38 \text{ (95\% CL)}</math></b>		
$r_s(z_d)/D_v(z=0.106)$	$0.958 \pm 0.016$		

Chaotic Inflation  
 (monodromy  
 axion inflation)

$$V \sim \phi^n$$



# How to reconcile Planck with BICEP2

# NO TENSION between Planck and BICEP2 on large scales.

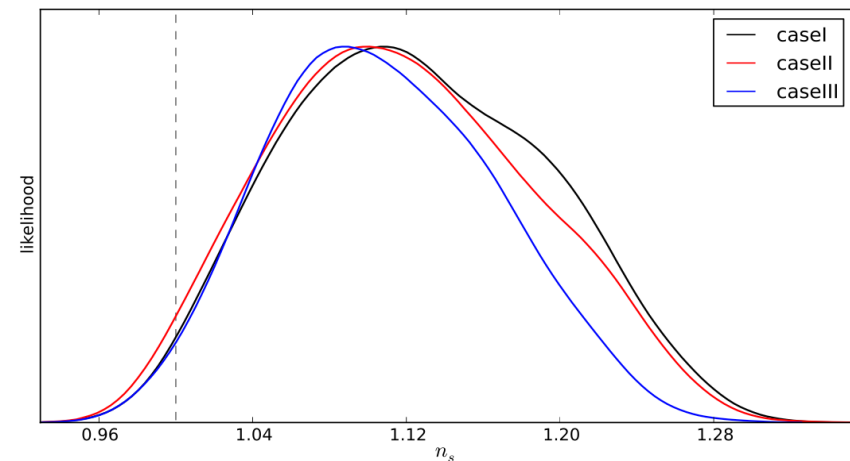
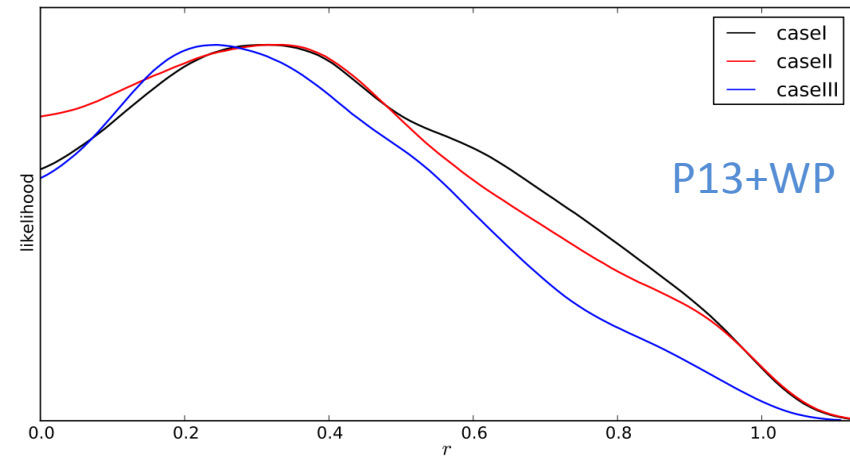
- The TT and TE power spectra generated by the relic gravitational waves are significant only the large scales. We take  $l_{\text{max}}=100$ .
- We fix the background parameters ( $\Omega_b h^2$ ,  $\Omega_c h^2$ ,  $100 \theta_{\text{MC}}$ ,  $\tau$ ) at their best-fit values in the  $\Lambda$ CDM model from Planck, and the free running parameters are  $A_s$ ,  $n_s$  and  $r$ .

$$C_l^{TT} = C_{l,s}^{TT} + C_{l,t}^{TT}$$

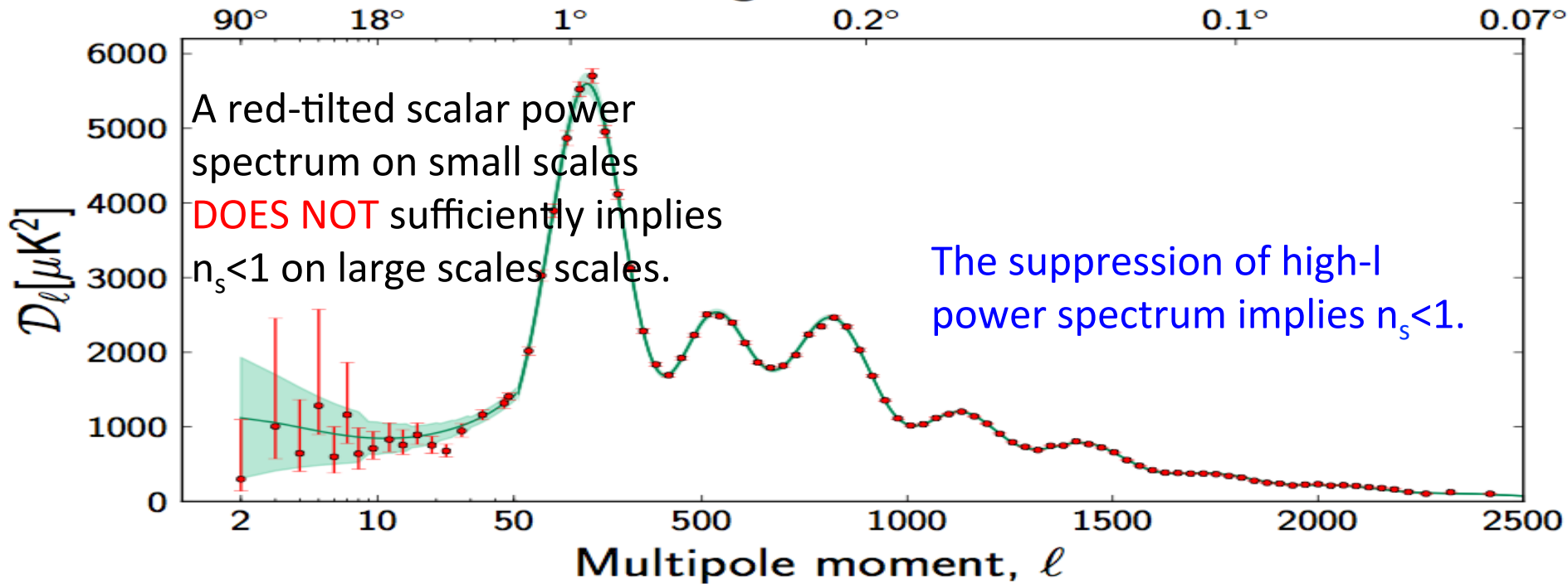
$$C_l^{TE} = C_{l,s}^{TE} + C_{l,t}^{TE}$$

$$C_{l,t}^{TT} > 0, \quad C_{l,t}^{TE} < 0$$

- The tensor-to-scalar ratio is peaked at around 0.2.
- The spectral index  $n_s > 1$ .



# Angular scale

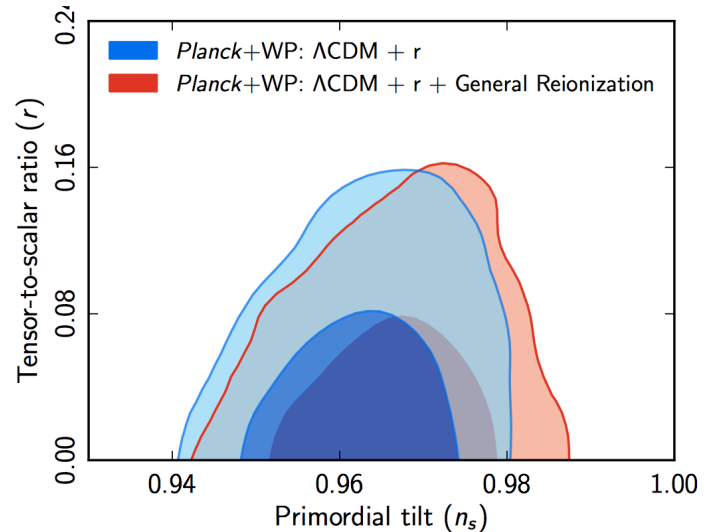


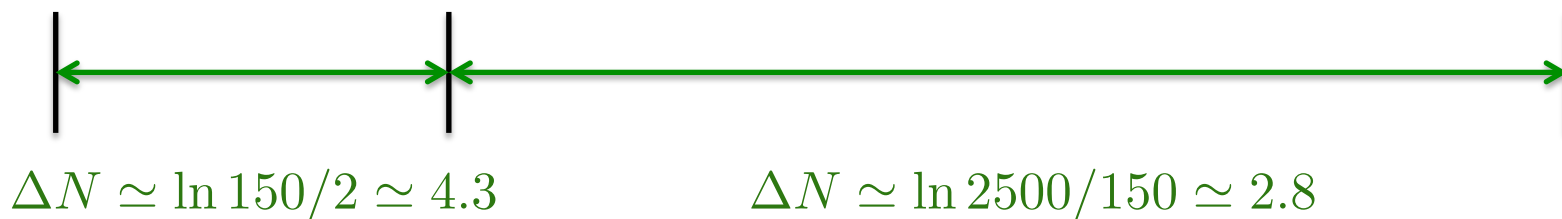
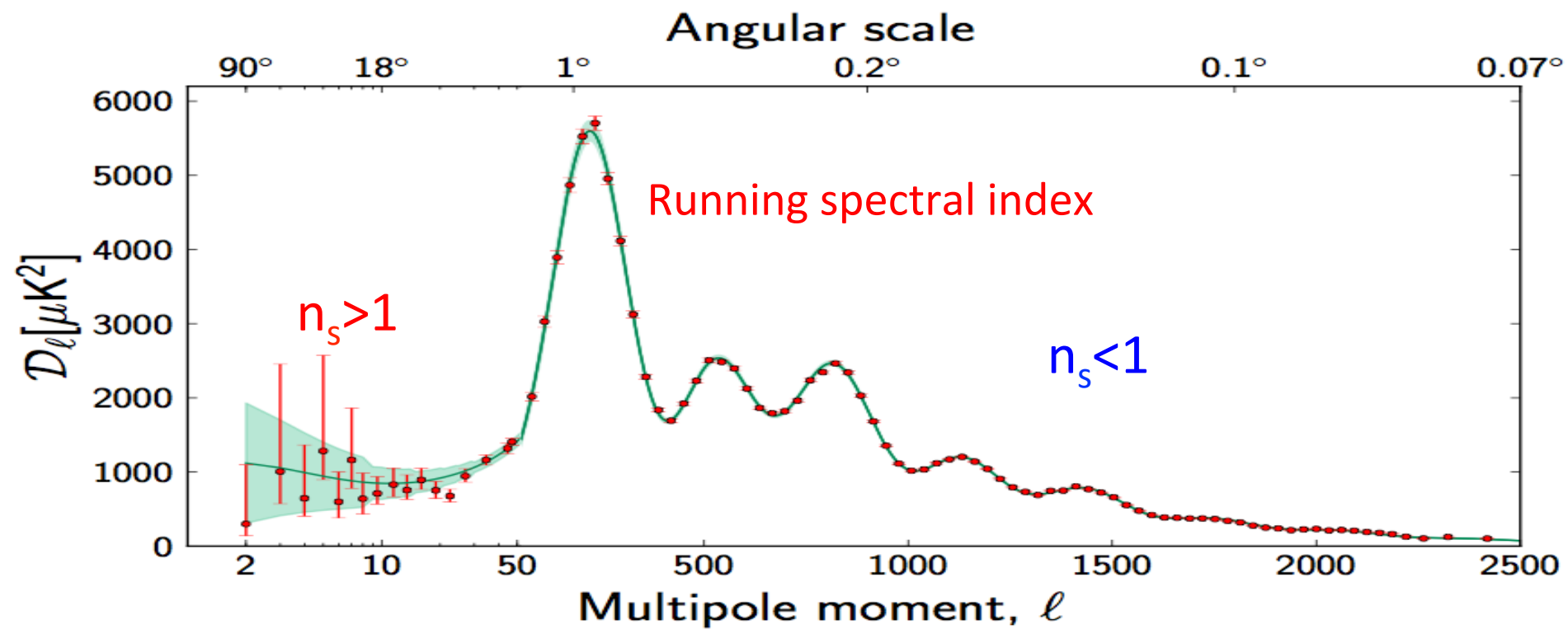
$$n_s = 0.9650 \pm 0.0080$$

$$C_l^{TT} = C_{l,s}^{TT} + C_{l,t}^{TT}$$

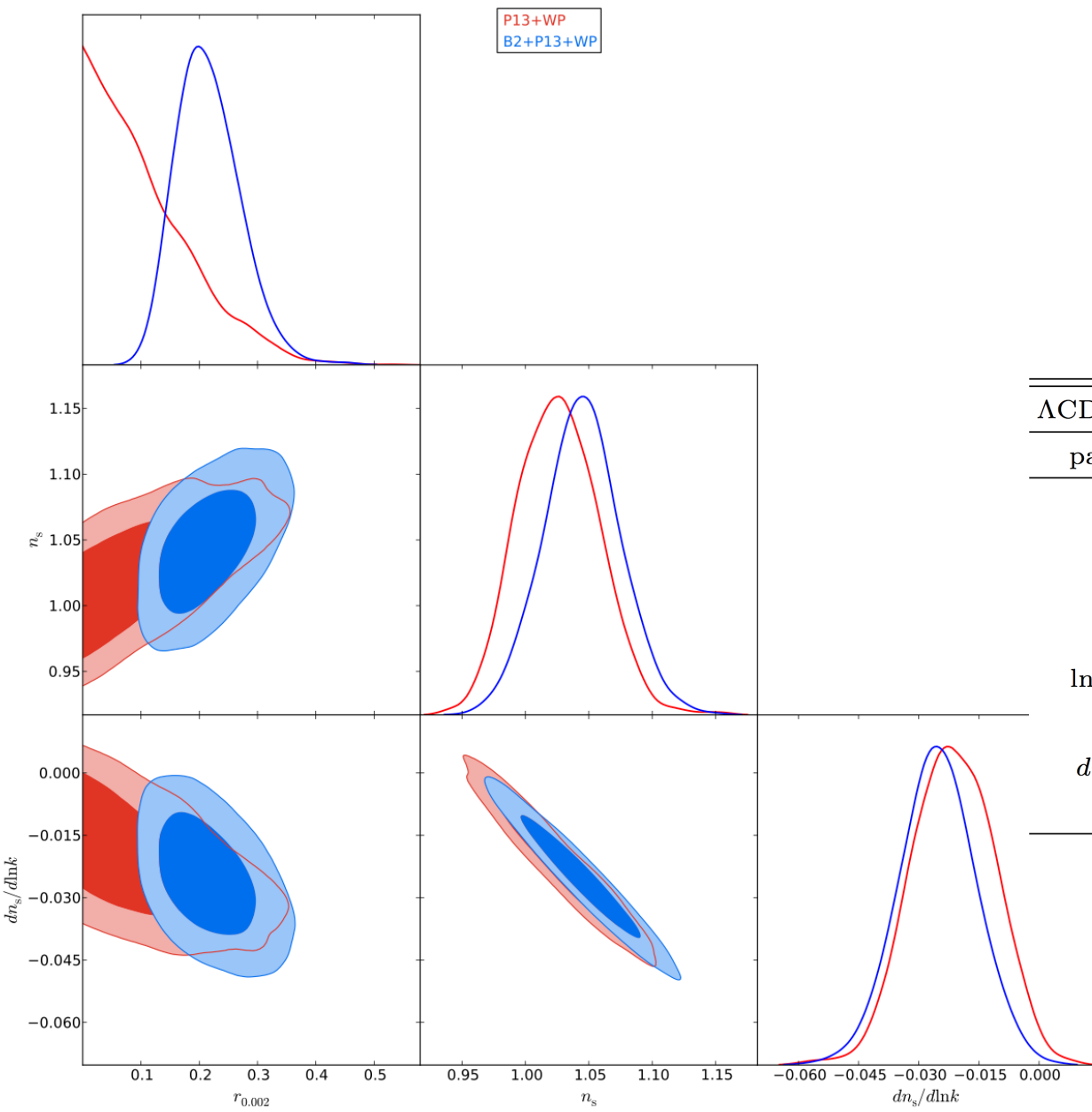
$$r_{0.002} < 0.13, \quad @ 95\% CL$$

The apparent tension comes from the assumption of the base six-parameter  $\Lambda$ CDM model with a power-law scalar power spectrum.





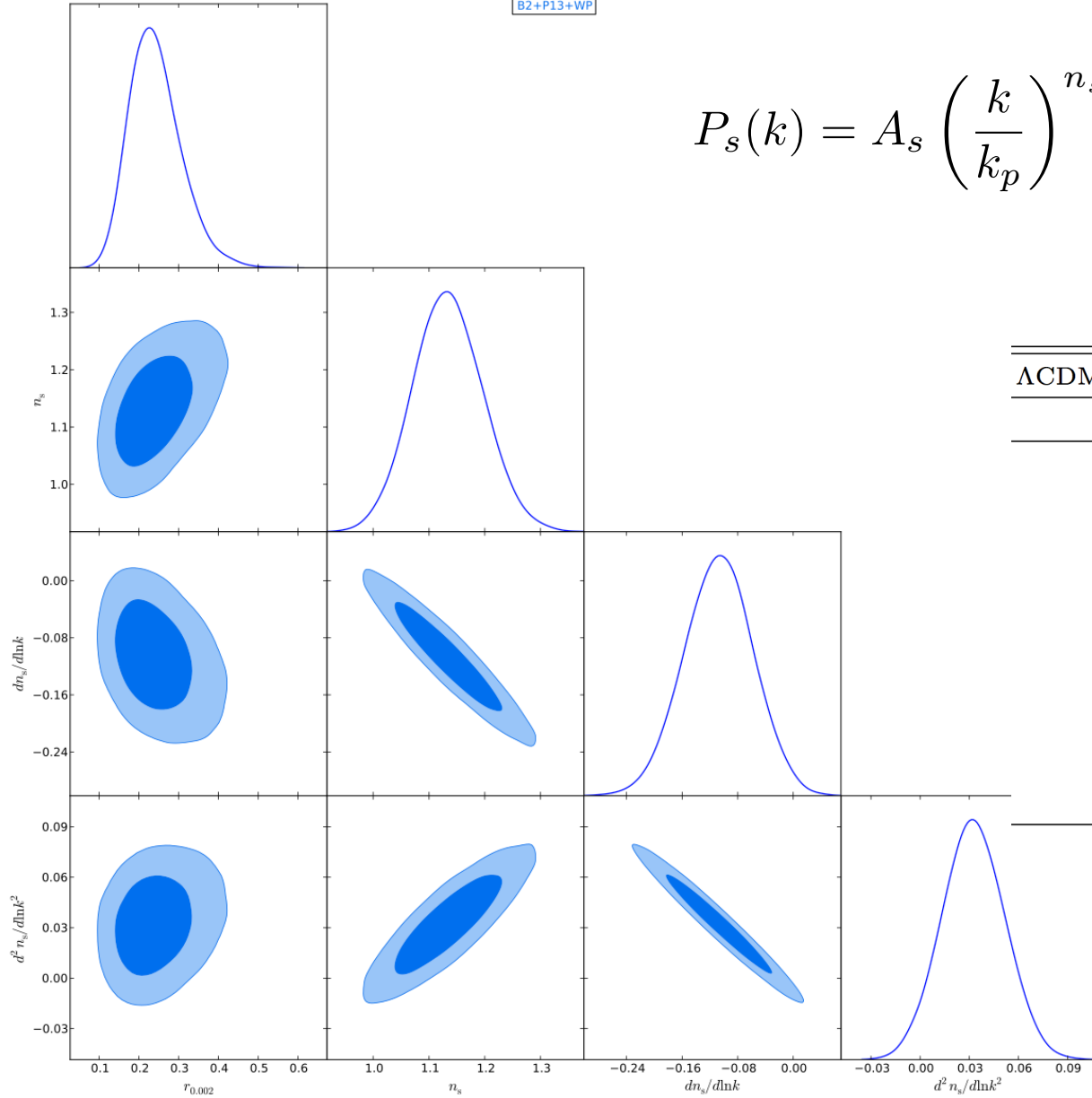
+nrun



$\Lambda$ CDM+nrun+r	B2+P13+WP	
parameters	Best fit	68% limits
$\Omega_b h^2$	0.02229	$0.02246^{+0.00030}_{-0.00032}$
$\Omega_c h^2$	0.1187	$0.1173^{+0.0022}_{-0.0021}$
$100\theta_{MC}$	1.04154	$1.04162^{+0.00061}_{-0.00062}$
$\tau$	0.0991	$0.1011^{+0.0137}_{-0.0161}$
$\ln(10^{10} A_s)$	3.117	$3.098^{+0.045}_{-0.041}$
$n_s$	1.0336	$1.0447^{+0.0295}_{-0.0297}$
$dn_s/d \ln k$	-0.0228	$-0.0253 \pm 0.0093$
$r_{0.002}$	0.18	$0.22^{+0.04}_{-0.07}$



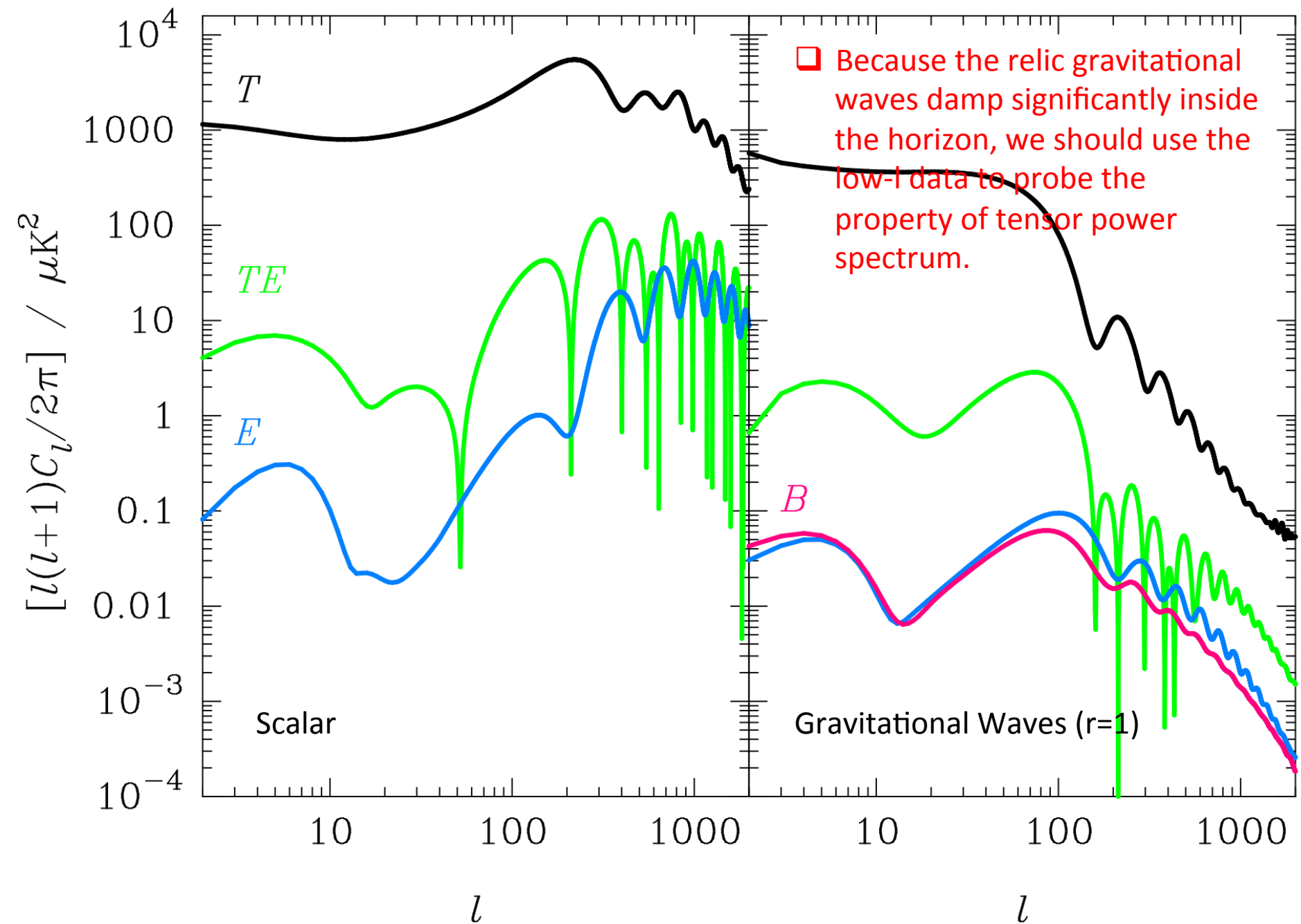
$$P_s(k) = A_s \left( \frac{k}{k_p} \right)^{n_s - 1 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{dn_s}{d \ln k} \ln \frac{k}{k_p} + \frac{1}{6} \frac{d^2 n_s}{d \ln k^2} \ln^2 \frac{k}{k_p}}$$

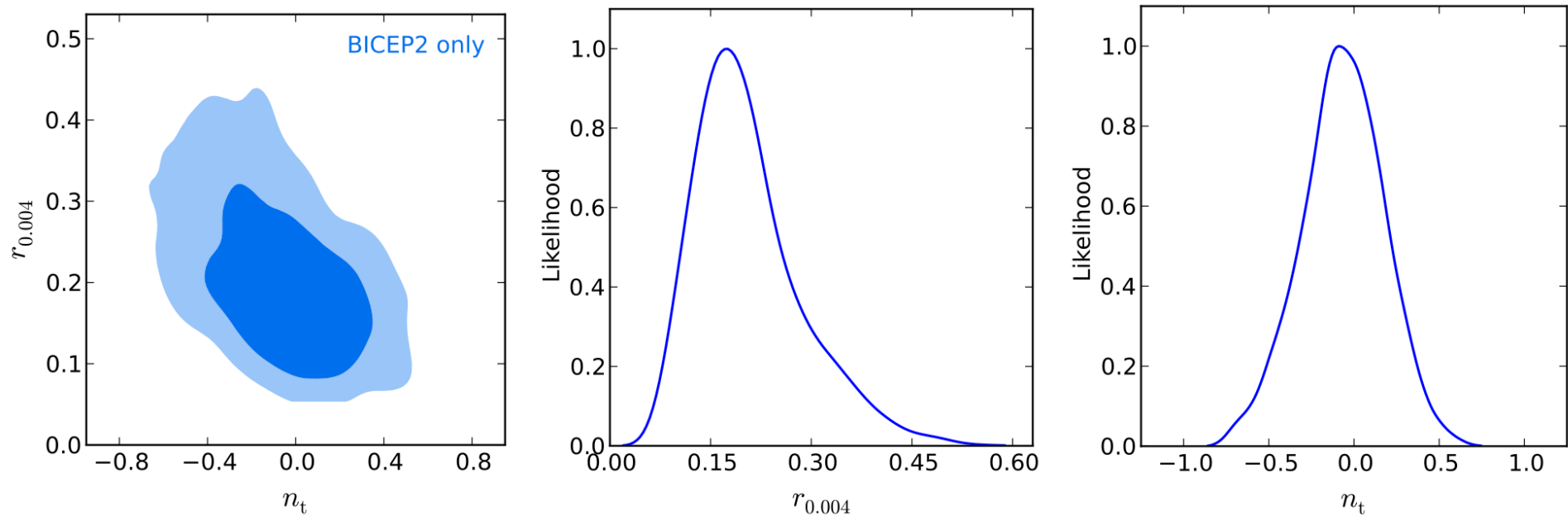


$\Lambda$ CDM+nrun+nrunrun+r	B2+P13+WP	
parameters	Best fit	68% limits
$\Omega_b h^2$	0.02221	$0.02217 \pm 0.00035$
$\Omega_c h^2$	0.1203	$0.1184 \pm 0.0023$
$100\theta_{\text{MC}}$	1.04145	$1.04142^{+0.00064}_{-0.00063}$
$\tau$	0.0983	$0.1054^{+0.0142}_{-0.0168}$
$\ln(10^{10} A_s)$	3.047	$3.063^{+0.066}_{-0.050}$
$n_s$	1.1656	$1.1344^{+0.0612}_{-0.0608}$
$dn_s/d \ln k$	-0.139	$-0.108^{+0.049}_{-0.048}$
$d^2 n_s/d \ln k^2$	0.045	$0.033^{+0.018}_{-0.019}$
$r_{0.002}$	0.22	$0.24^{+0.05}_{-0.07}$

$$\Delta\chi^2 = -3.12$$

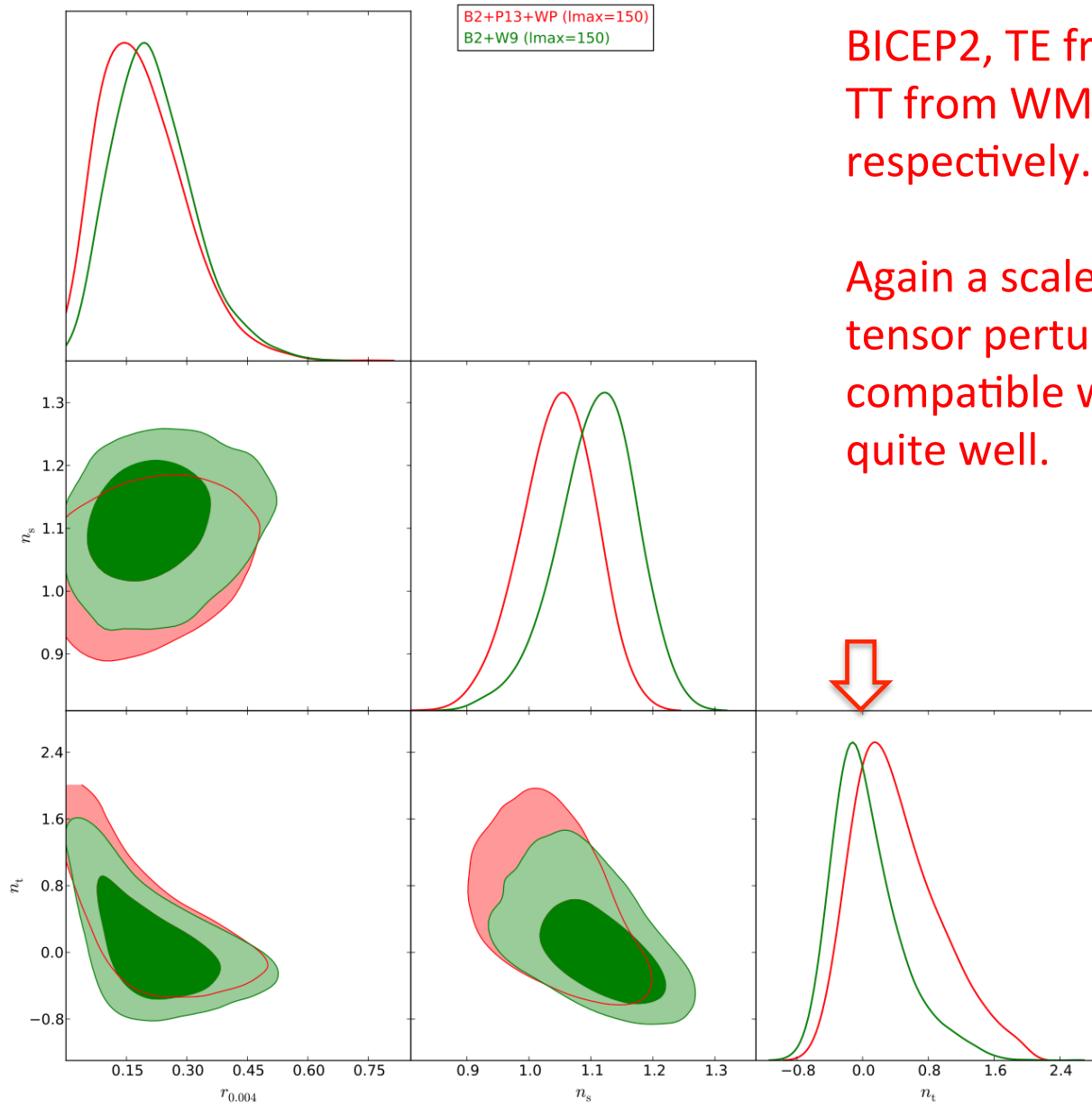
The tilt of relic gravitational waves power spectrum





$$P_t = A_t \left( \frac{k}{k_p} \right)^{n_t} \quad r = 0.21^{+0.04}_{-0.10} \quad n_t = -0.06^{+0.25}_{-0.23}$$

C. Cheng and QGH, arXiv:1403.5463



BICEP2, TE from WMAP, and TT from WMAP and Planck respectively. ( $l_{\text{max}}=150$ )

Again a scale-invariant tensor perturbation is compatible with the data quite well.



# Summary

- **A red-tilt tensor power spectrum** is compatible with the data, and the simplest version of inflation is consistent with the data.
- **A blue-tilted scalar power spectrum** is preferred on the large scales (e.g.  $l < 150$ ).
- The inflation model with inverse power-law potential can fit the data quite well.
- The space-time non-commutativity can help chaotic inflation and power-law inflation to fit the data.

- A negative running of spectral index is favored at around 3 sigma level.
- Furthermore, a positive running of running is preferred at around 1.7 sigma level.



*Thank You!*