



# The 7-Year WMAP Observations: Cosmological Interpretation

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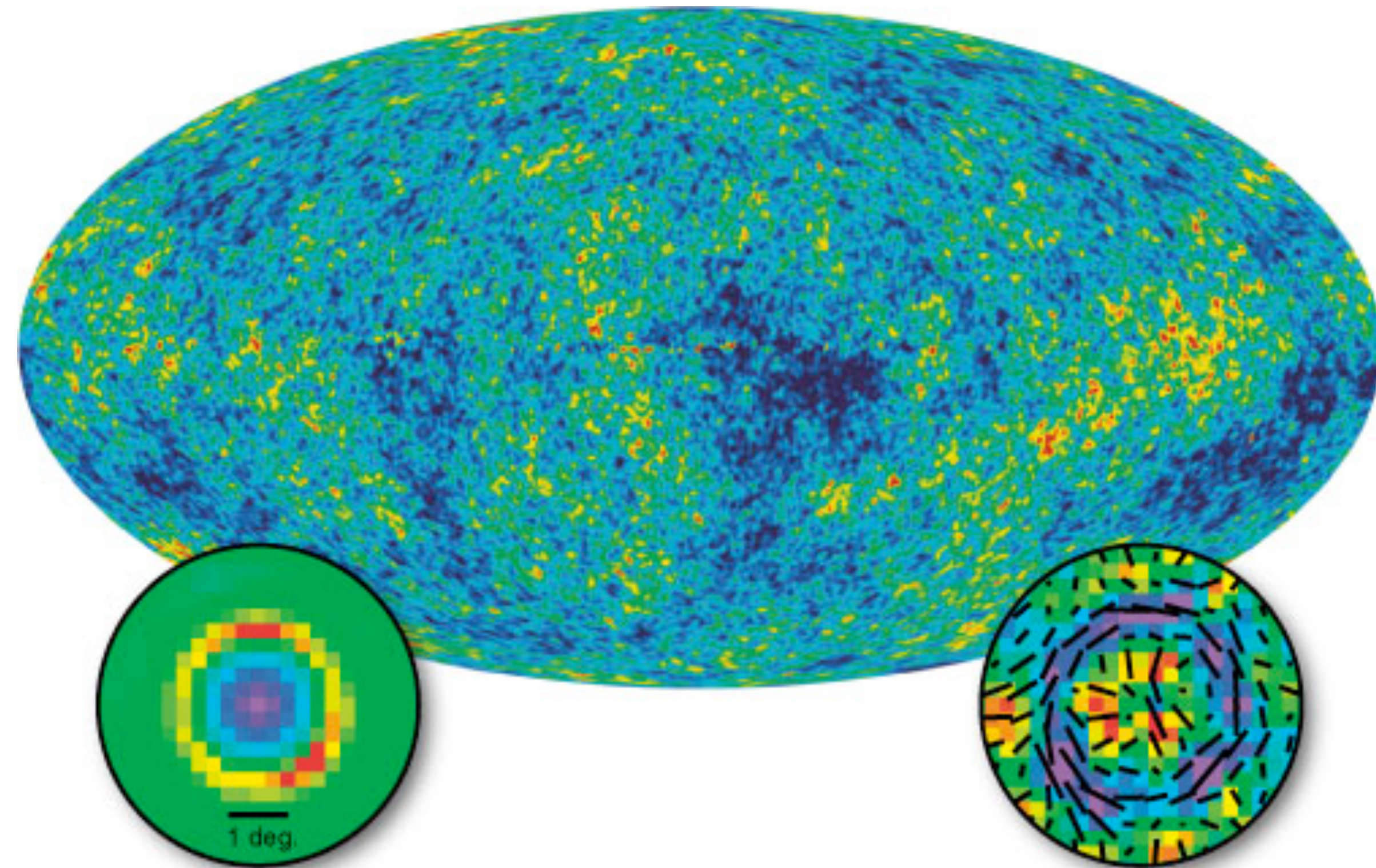
# WMAP will have collected 9 years of data by August

June 2001:  
WMAP launched!

February 2003:  
The first-year data  
release

March 2006:  
The three-year data  
release

March 2008:  
The five-year data  
release



Stacked Temperature

Stacked Polarization

● **January 2010: The seven-year  
data release**

# WMAP 7-Year Papers

- **Jarosik et al.**, “*Sky Maps, Systematic Errors, and Basic Results*”  
[arXiv:1001.4744](#)
- **Gold et al.**, “*Galactic Foreground Emission*” [arXiv:1001.4555](#)
- **Weiland et al.**, “*Planets and Celestial Calibration Sources*”  
[arXiv:1001.4731](#)
- **Bennett et al.**, “*Are There CMB Anomalies?*” [arXiv:1001.4758](#)
- **Larson et al.**, “*Power Spectra and WMAP-Derived Parameters*”  
[arXiv:1001.4635](#)
- **Komatsu et al.**, “*Cosmological Interpretation*” [arXiv:1001.4538](#)

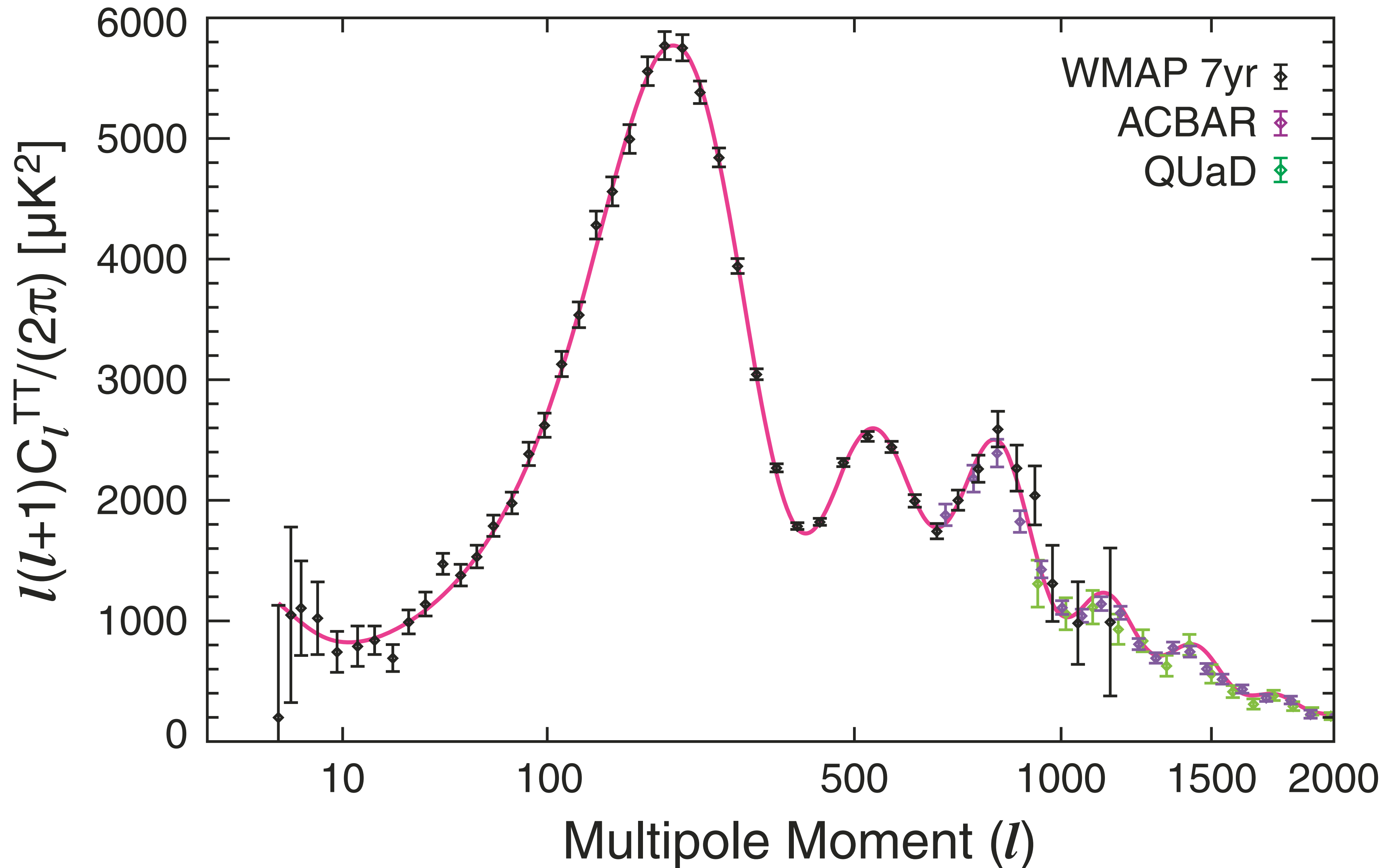
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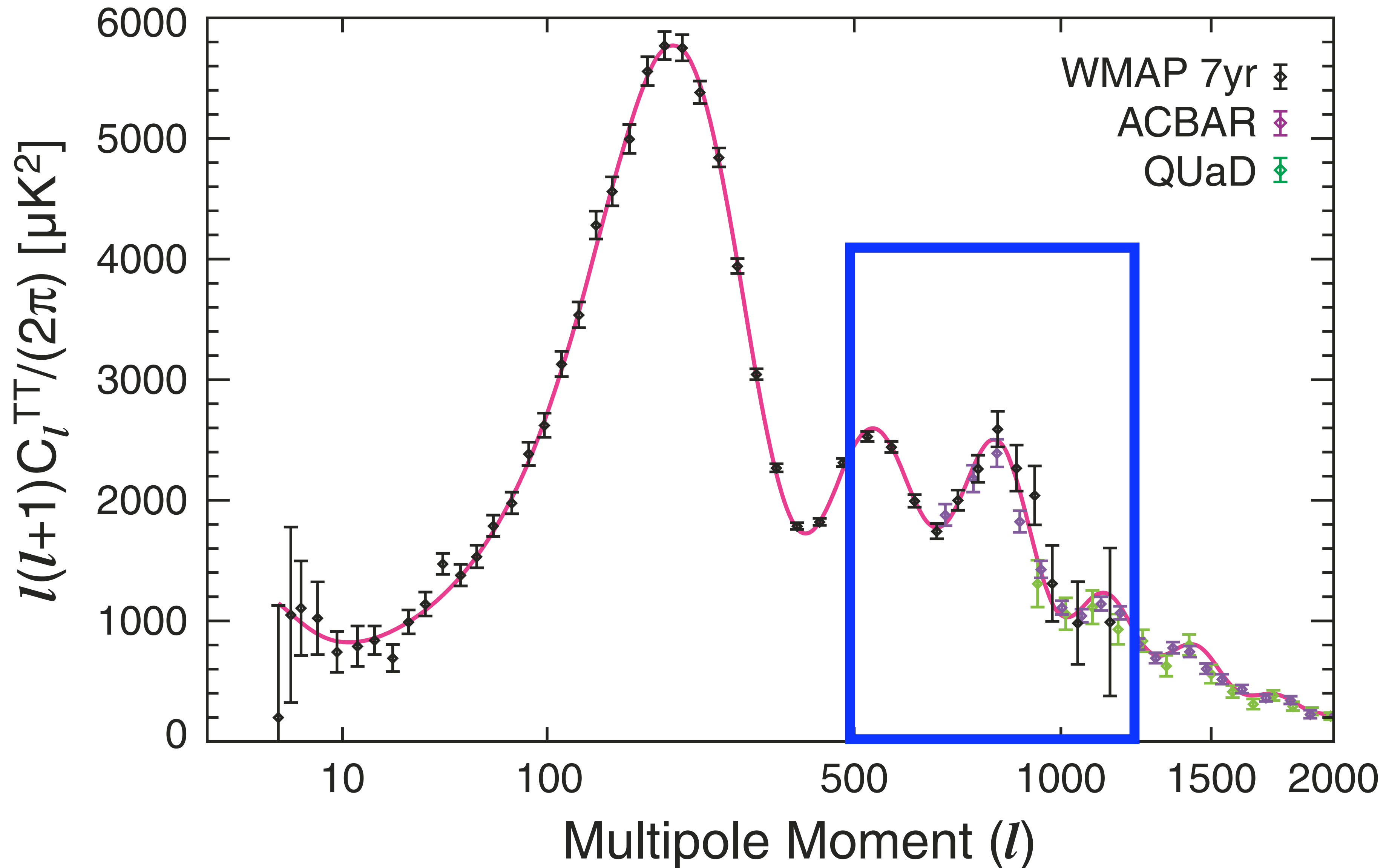
# 7-year Science Highlights

- First detection ( $>3\sigma$ ) of the effect of primordial **helium** on the temperature power spectrum.
- The primordial **tilt** is less than one at  $>3\sigma$ :
  - $n_s = 0.96 \pm 0.01$  (68%CL)
- Improved limits on **neutrino** parameters:
  - $\sum m_\nu < 0.58 \text{ eV}$  (95%CL);  $N_{\text{eff}} = 4.3 \pm 0.9$  (68%CL)
- First direct confirmation of the predicted **polarization** pattern around temperature spots.
- Measurement of the SZ effect: *missing **pressure***?

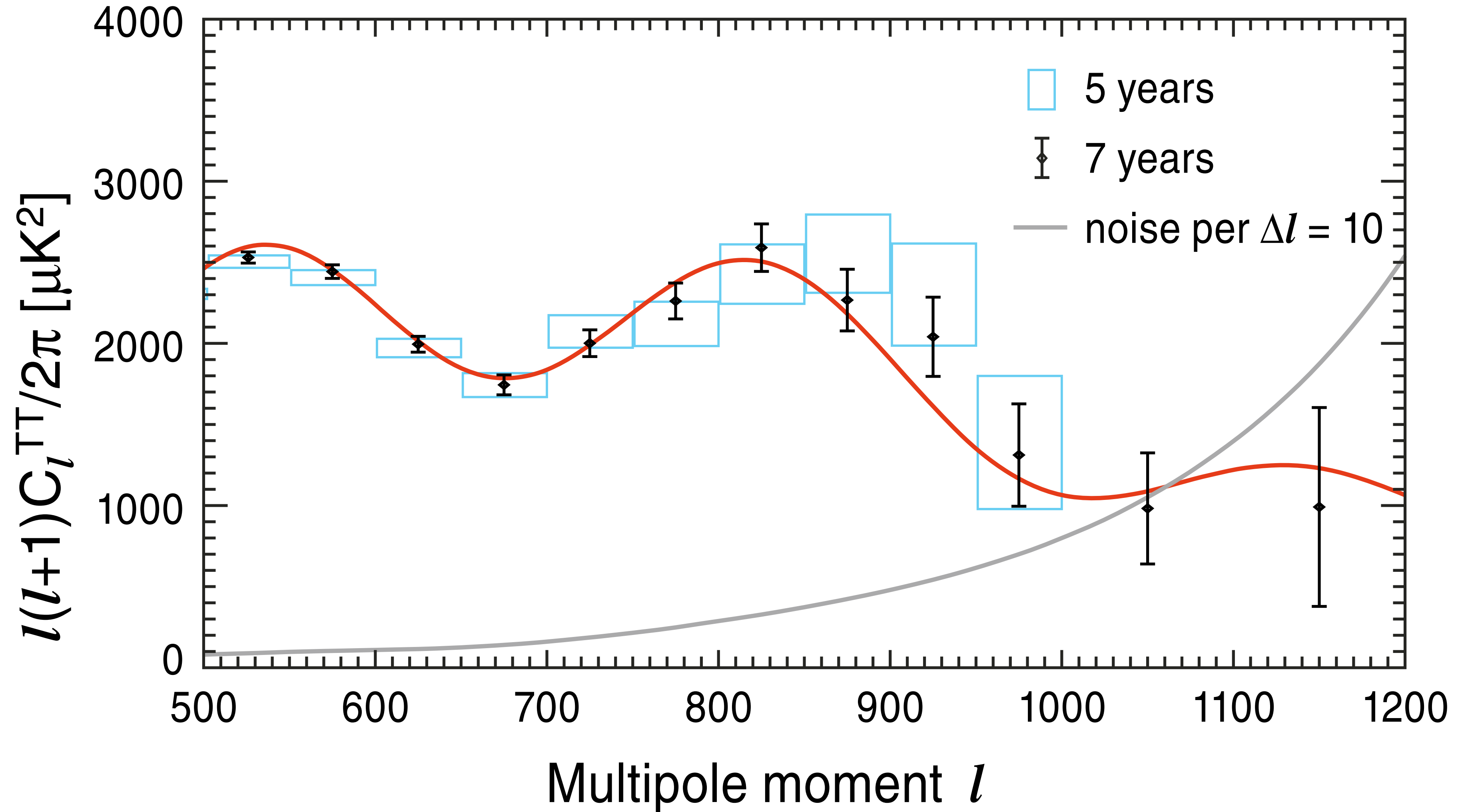
# 7-year Temperature $C_l$



# Zooming into the 3rd peak...

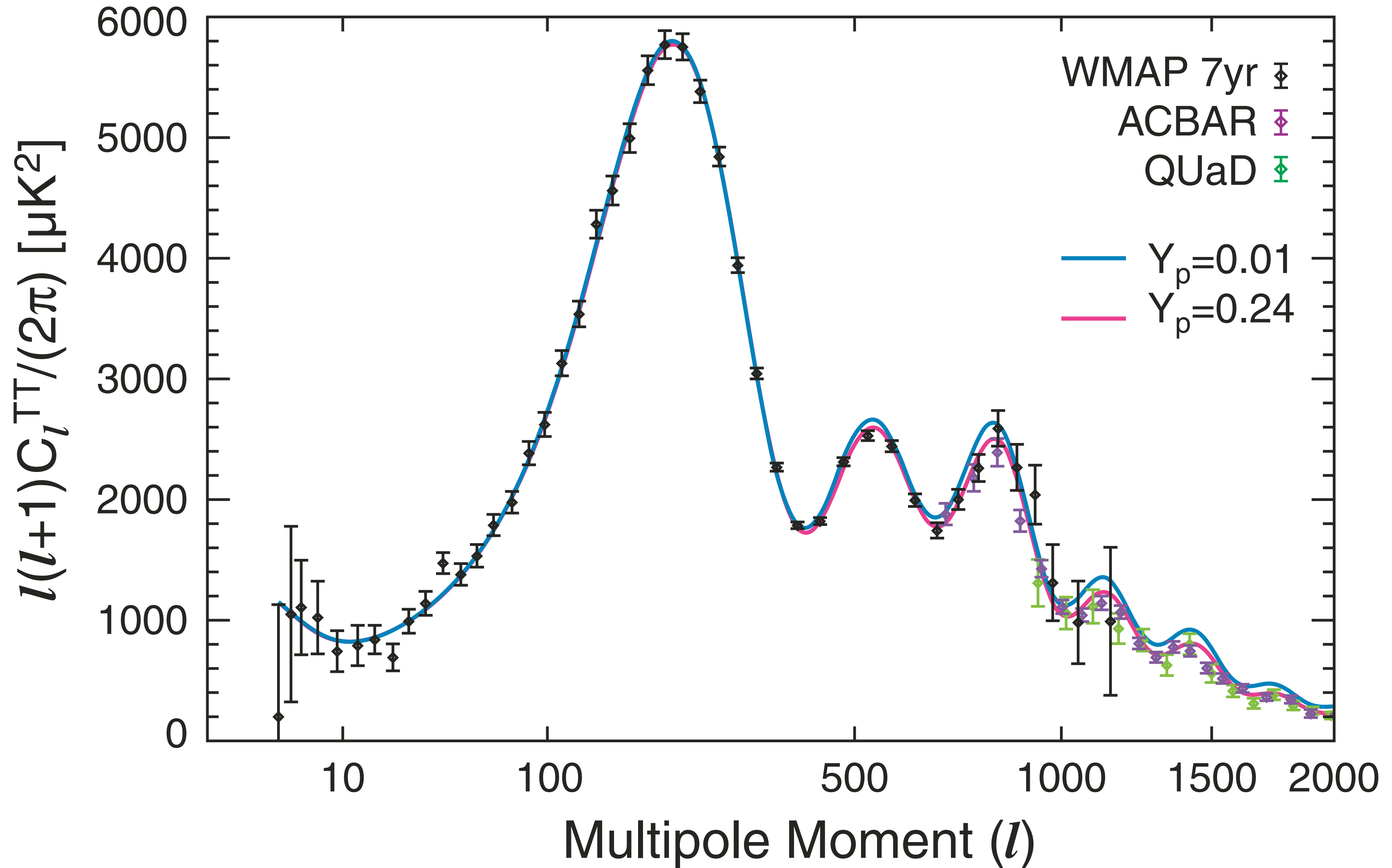


# High- $l$ Temperature $C_l$ : Improvement from 5-year





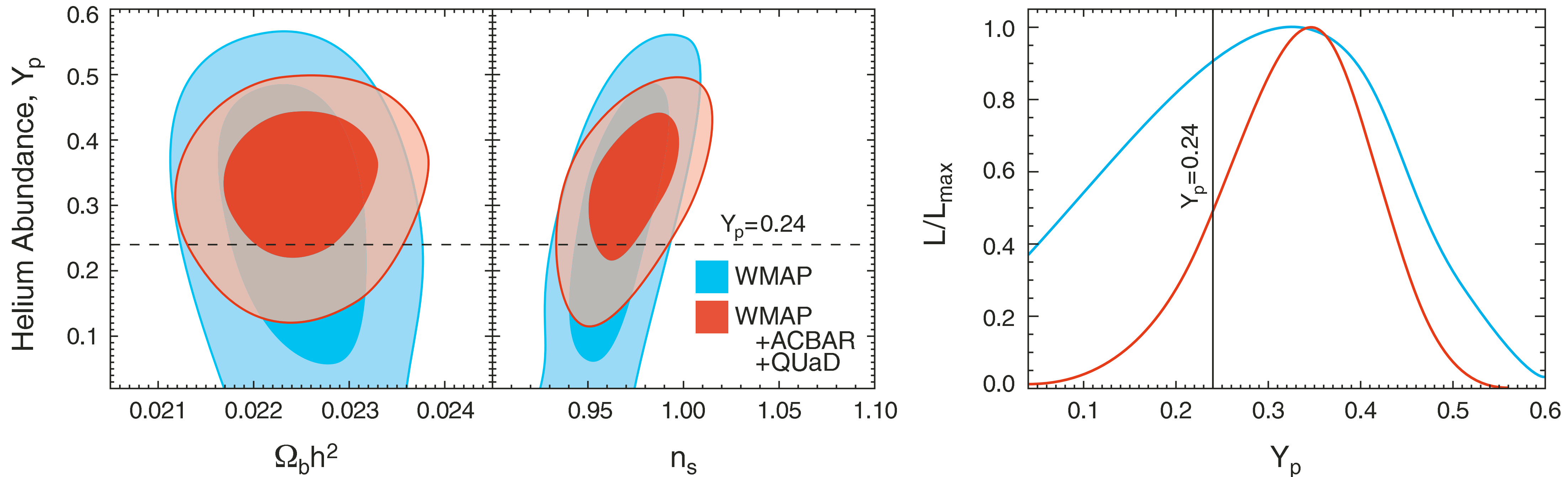
# Detection of Primordial Helium



# Effect of helium on $C_l^{TT}$

- We measure the baryon number density,  $n_b$ , from the 1st-to-2nd peak ratio.
- For a given  $n_b$ , we can calculate the number density of electrons:  $n_e = (1 - Y_p/2)n_b$ .
- As helium recombined at  $z \sim 1800$ , there were even fewer electrons at the decoupling epoch ( $z = 1090$ ):  $n_e = (1 - Y_p)n_b$ .
- **More helium** = Fewer electrons = Longer photon mean free path  $1/(\sigma_T n_e)$  = **Enhanced Silk damping**
- This effect might be degenerate with  $\Omega_b h^2$  or  $n_s$ ...

# WMAP + higher- $l$ CMB = Detection of Helium

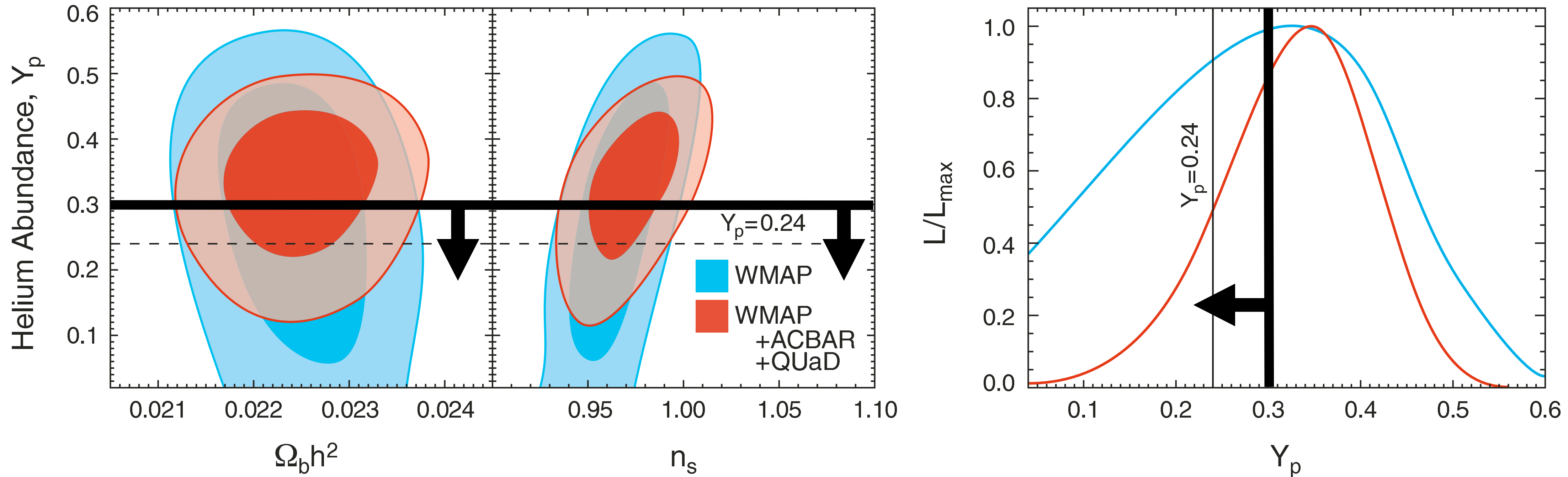


- The combination of WMAP and high- $l$  CMB data (ACBAR and QUaD) is powerful enough to isolate the effect of helium:  **$Y_p = 0.33 \pm 0.08$**  (68%CL)

# Why this can be useful

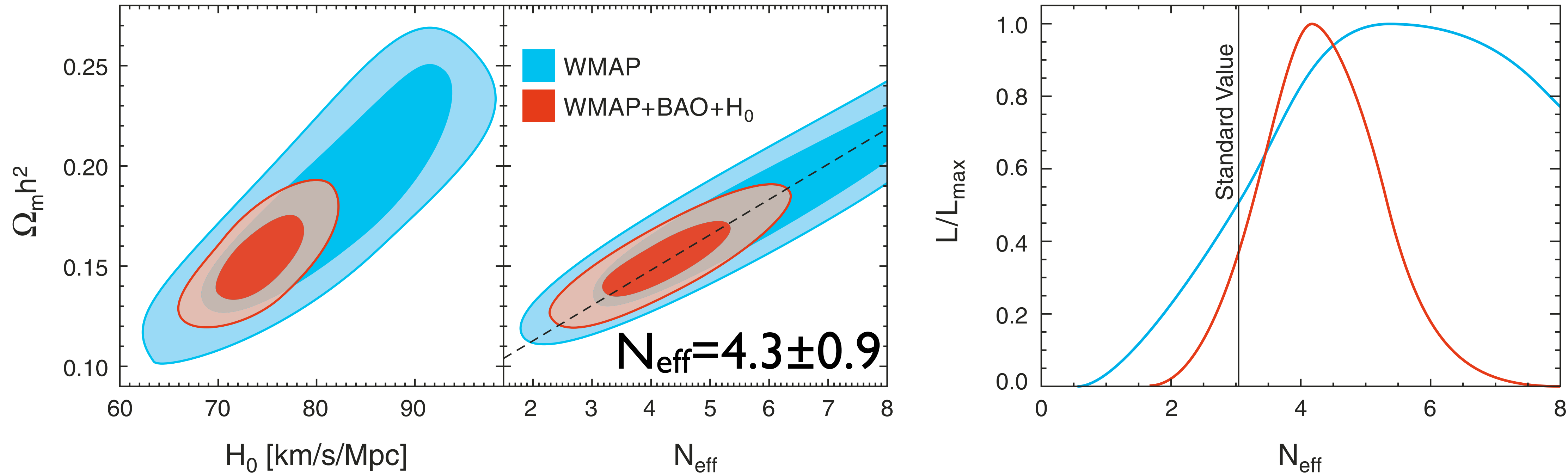
- The helium abundance has been measured from Sun and ionized regions (HII regions); however, as helium can be produced in the stellar core, one has to extrapolate the measured  $Y_p$  to the zero-metallicity values.
- In other words, the traditional methods give a robust **upper limit** on  $Y_p$ :  $Y_p < 0.3$ .
- The CMB data give us a robust **lower limit** on  $Y_p$ .

$$0.23 < Y_p < 0.3 \quad (68\% \text{CL})$$



- Planck is expected to yield  $\Delta Y_p \sim 0.01$  (68%CL; Ichikawa et al. 2008).

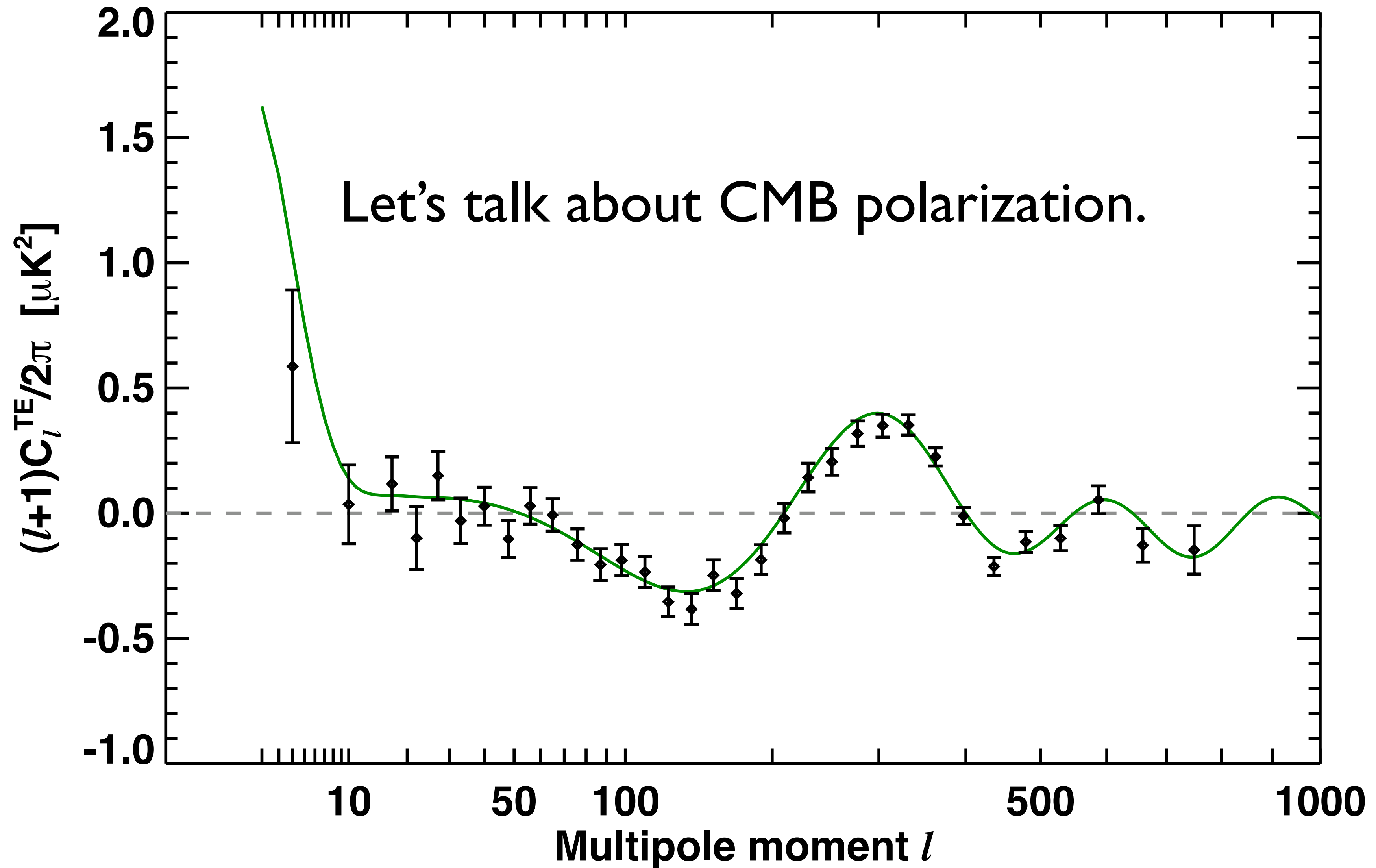
# Another “3rd peak science”: Number of Relativistic Species



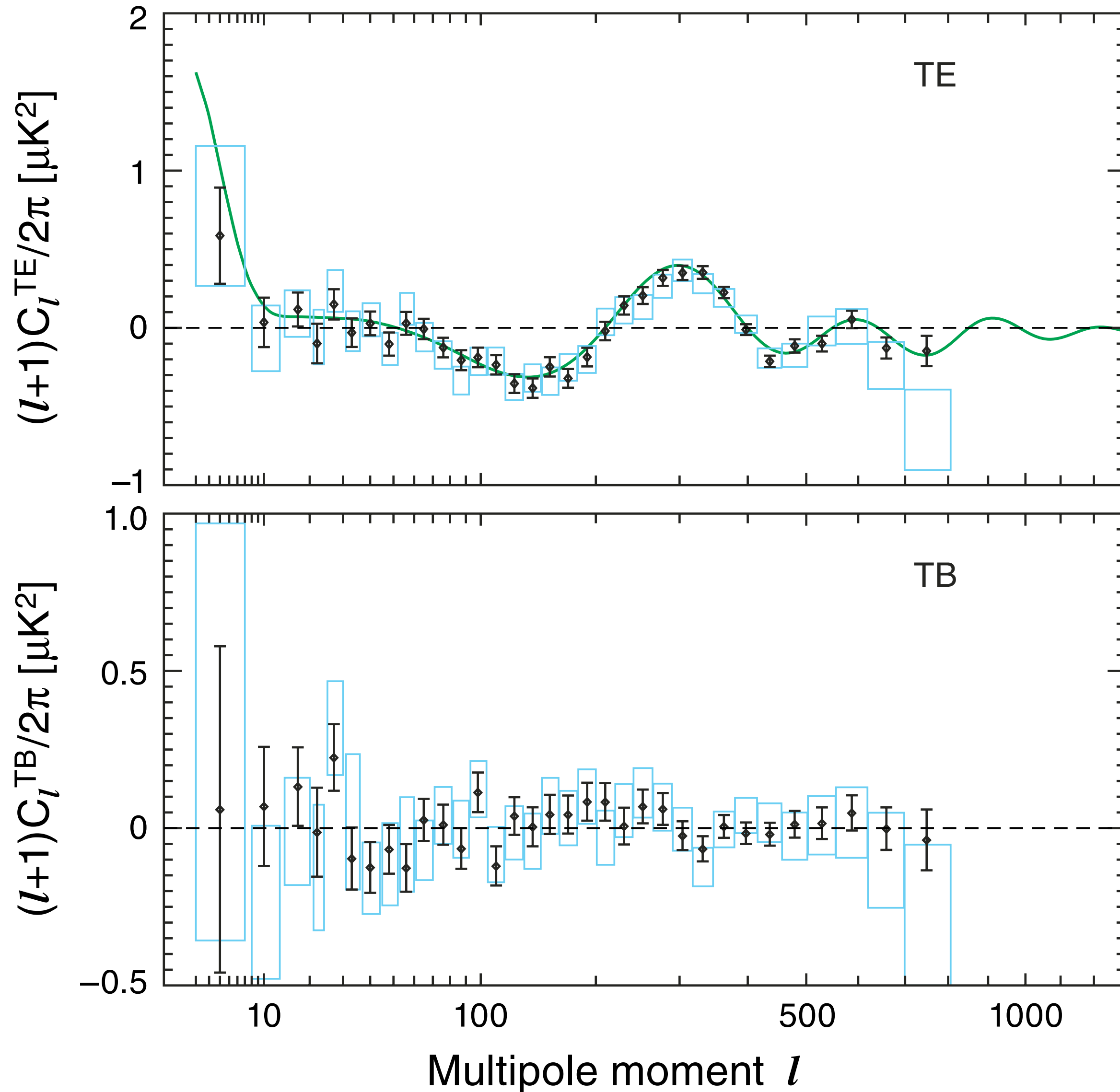
$$N_{\text{eff}} = 3.04 + 7.44 \left( \frac{\Omega_m h^2}{0.1308} \frac{3139}{1 + z_{\text{eq}}} - 1 \right)$$

← from external data  
← from 3rd peak

# 7-year TE Correlation



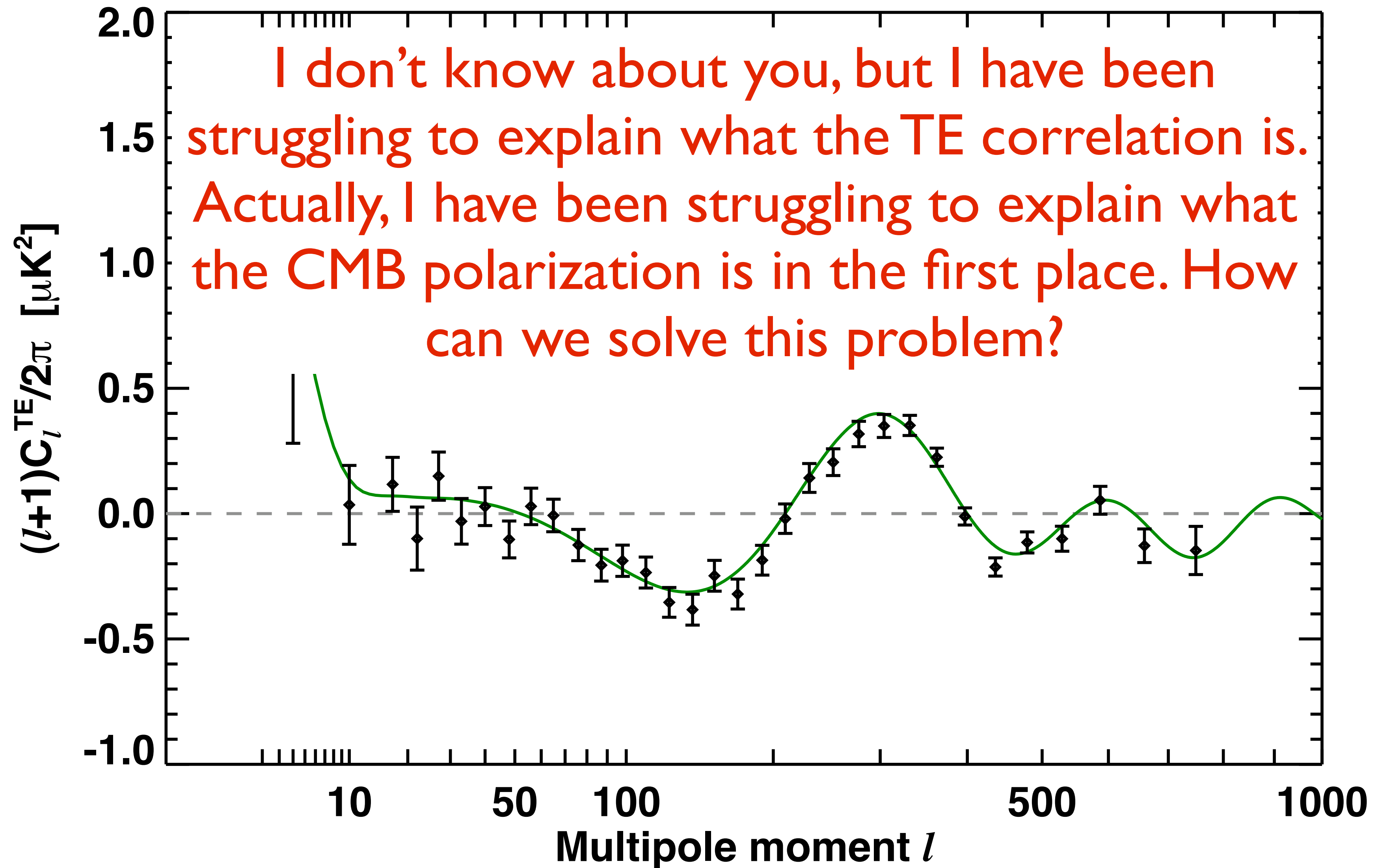
# Improvements from 5-year



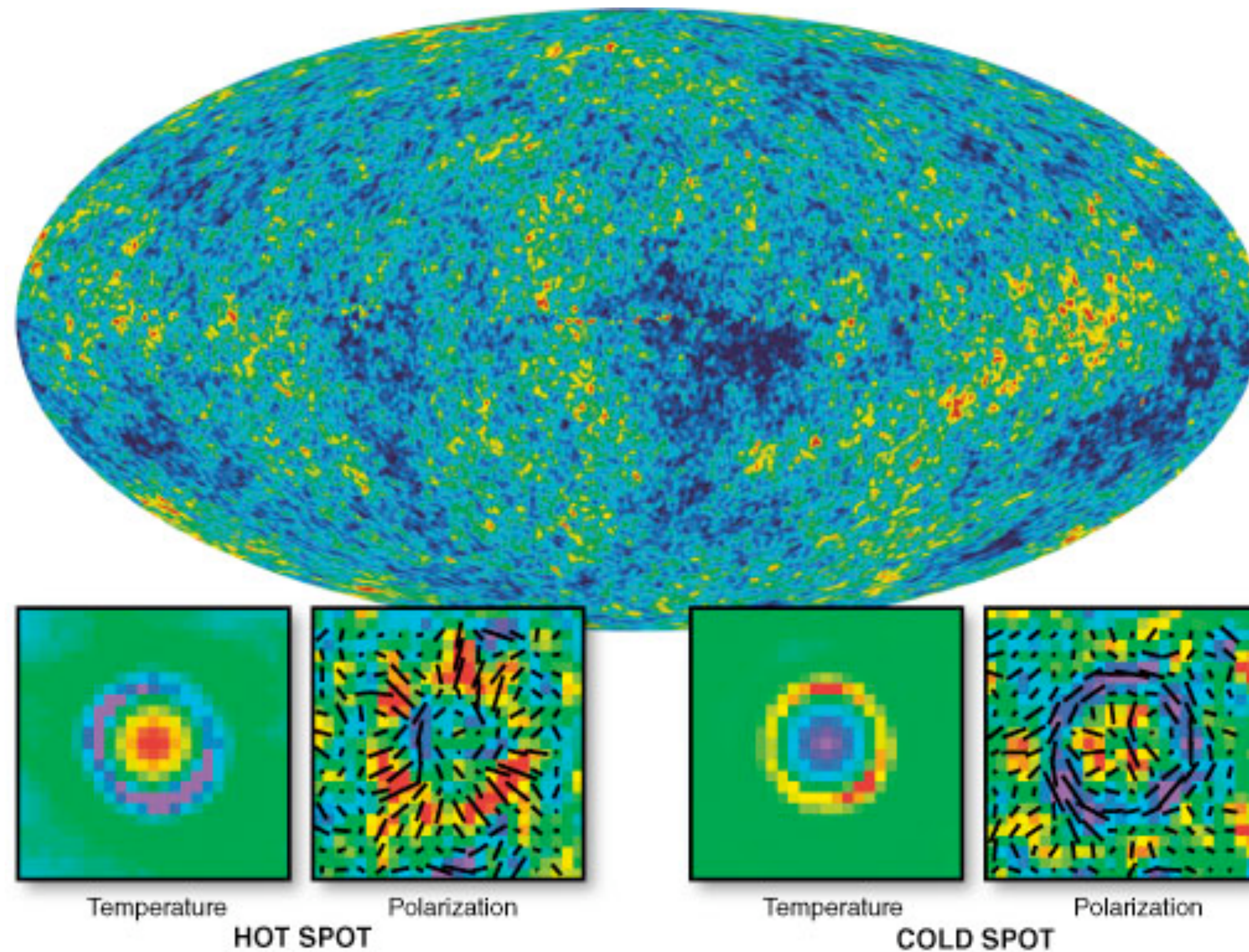
- For 5-year, we used Q and V bands to measure the high- $l$  TE and TB. For 7-year, we also include the W-band data.
- **TE:  $21\sigma$  detection!**  
(It was  $13\sigma$  in 5 year.)
- TB is expected to vanish in a parity-conserving universe, and it is consistent with zero.



# What Are We Seeing Here?

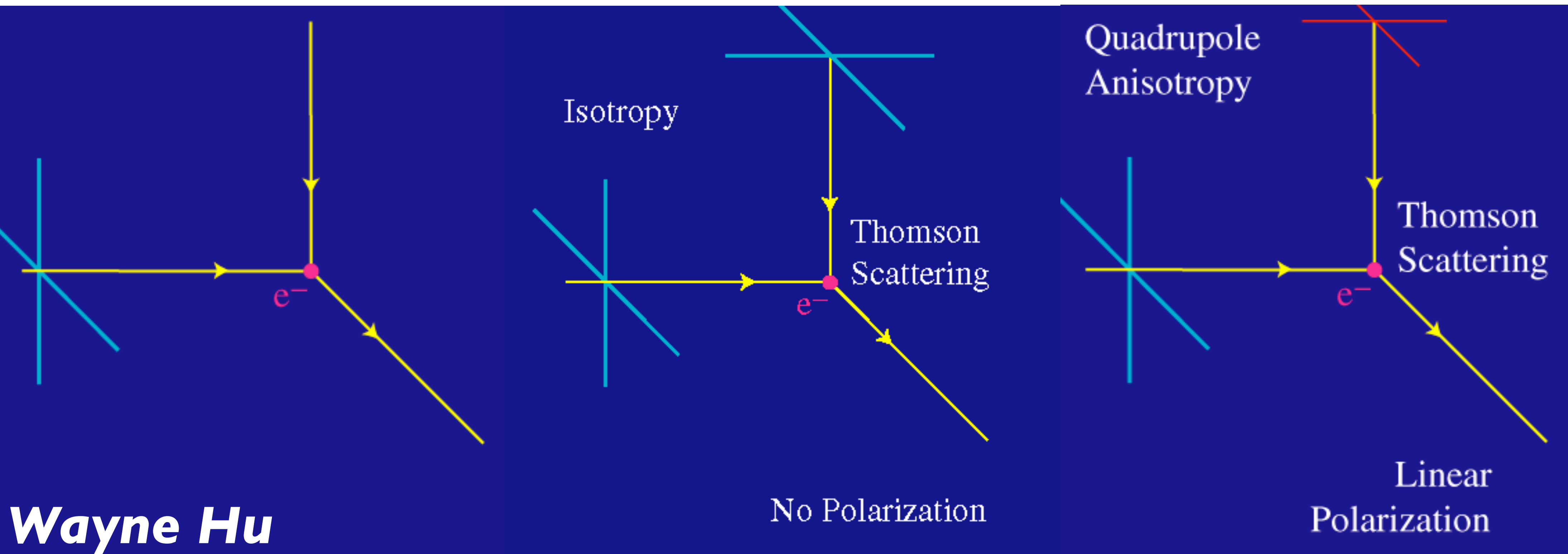


# CMB Polarization On the Sky



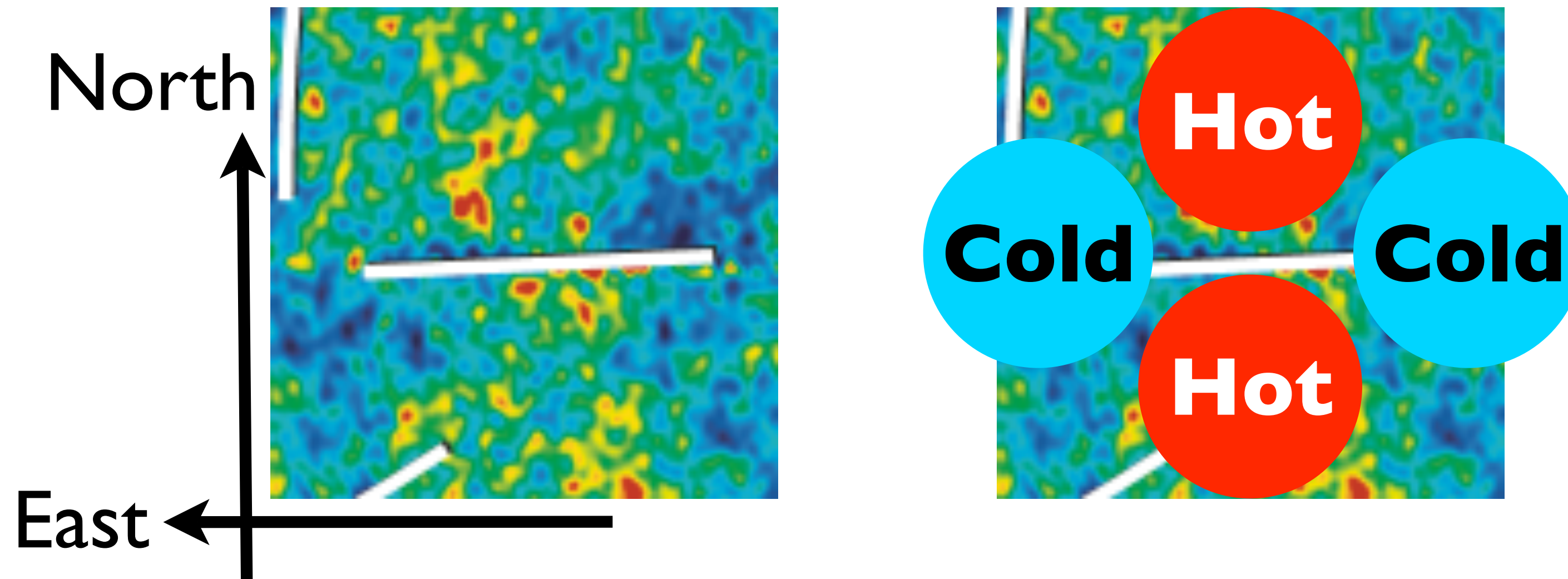
- ***Solution:* Leave Fourier space.  
Go back to real space.**

# CMB Polarization is a Real-space Stuff



- CMB Polarization is created by a local temperature **quadrupole** anisotropy.

# Principle

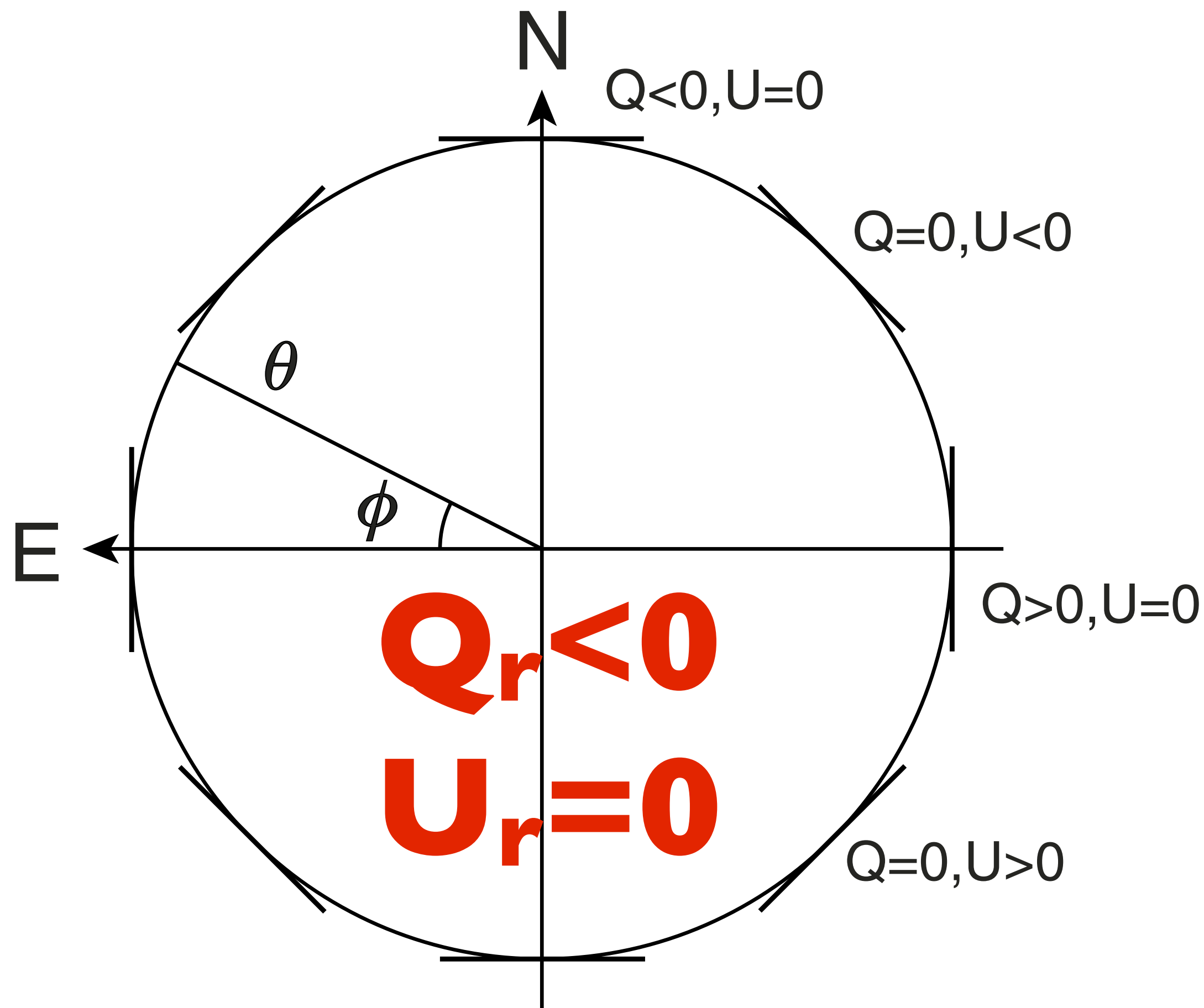


$$Q < 0; U = 0$$

- **Polarization direction is parallel to “hot.”**
- This is the so-called “E-mode” polarization.

# Stokes Q and U

## (and KKS's $Q_r$ and $U_r$ )



- As (E-mode) polarization is either radial or tangential around temperature spots, it is convenient to define  $Q_r$  and  $U_r$  as:

$$Q_r(\theta) = -Q(\theta) \cos(2\phi) - U(\theta) \sin(2\phi),$$

$$U_r(\theta) = Q(\theta) \sin(2\phi) - U(\theta) \cos(2\phi).$$

# CMB Polarization on Large Angular Scales ( $>2$ deg)

Matter Density



Potential

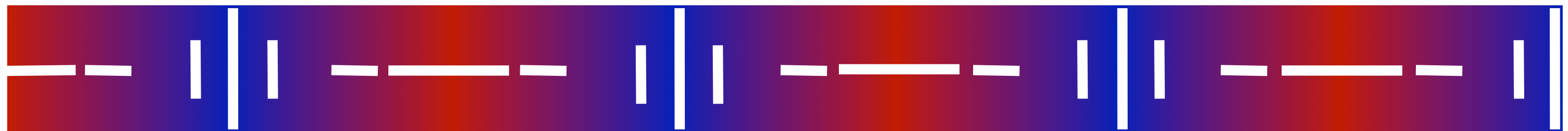


$$\Delta T/T = (\text{Newton's Gravitation Potential})/3$$

$\Delta T$



Polarization

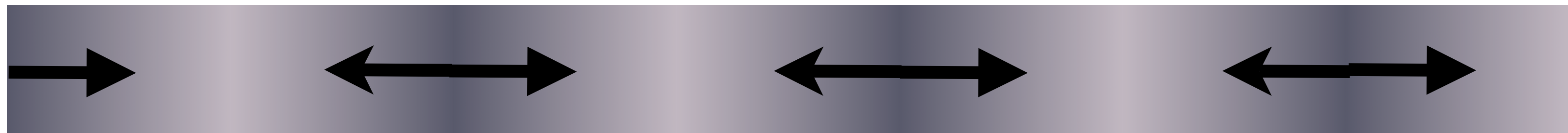


- How does the photon-baryon plasma move?

# CMB Polarization Tells Us How Plasma Moves at $z=1090$

*Zaldarriaga & Harari (1995)*

Matter Density

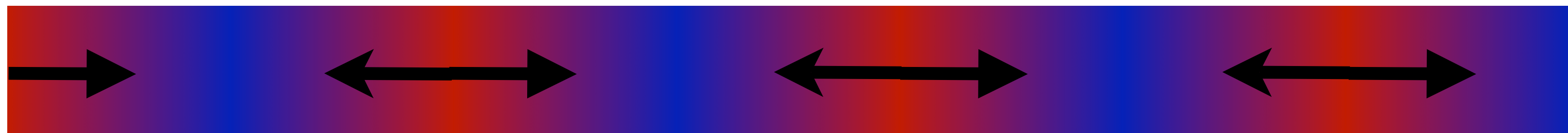


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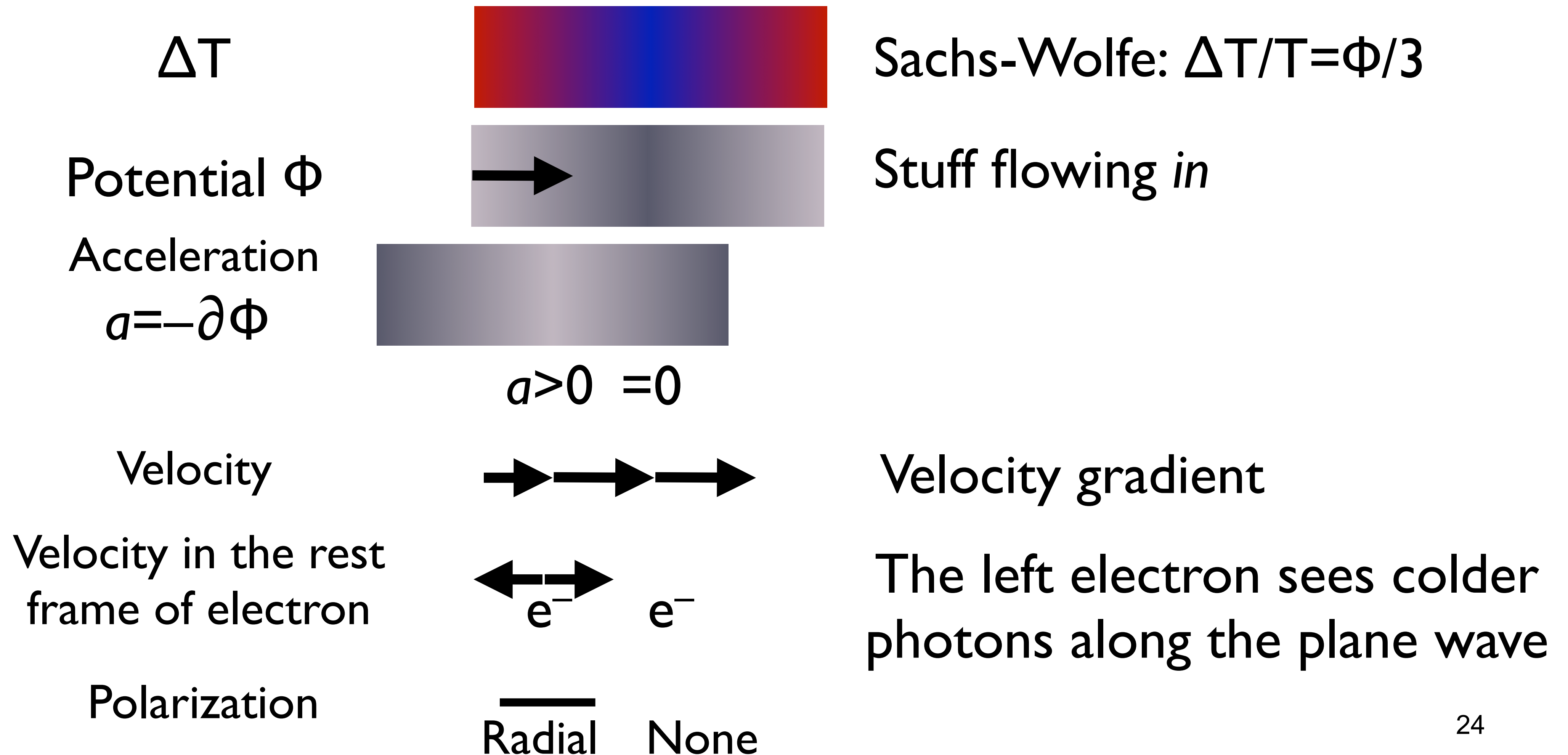


Polarization



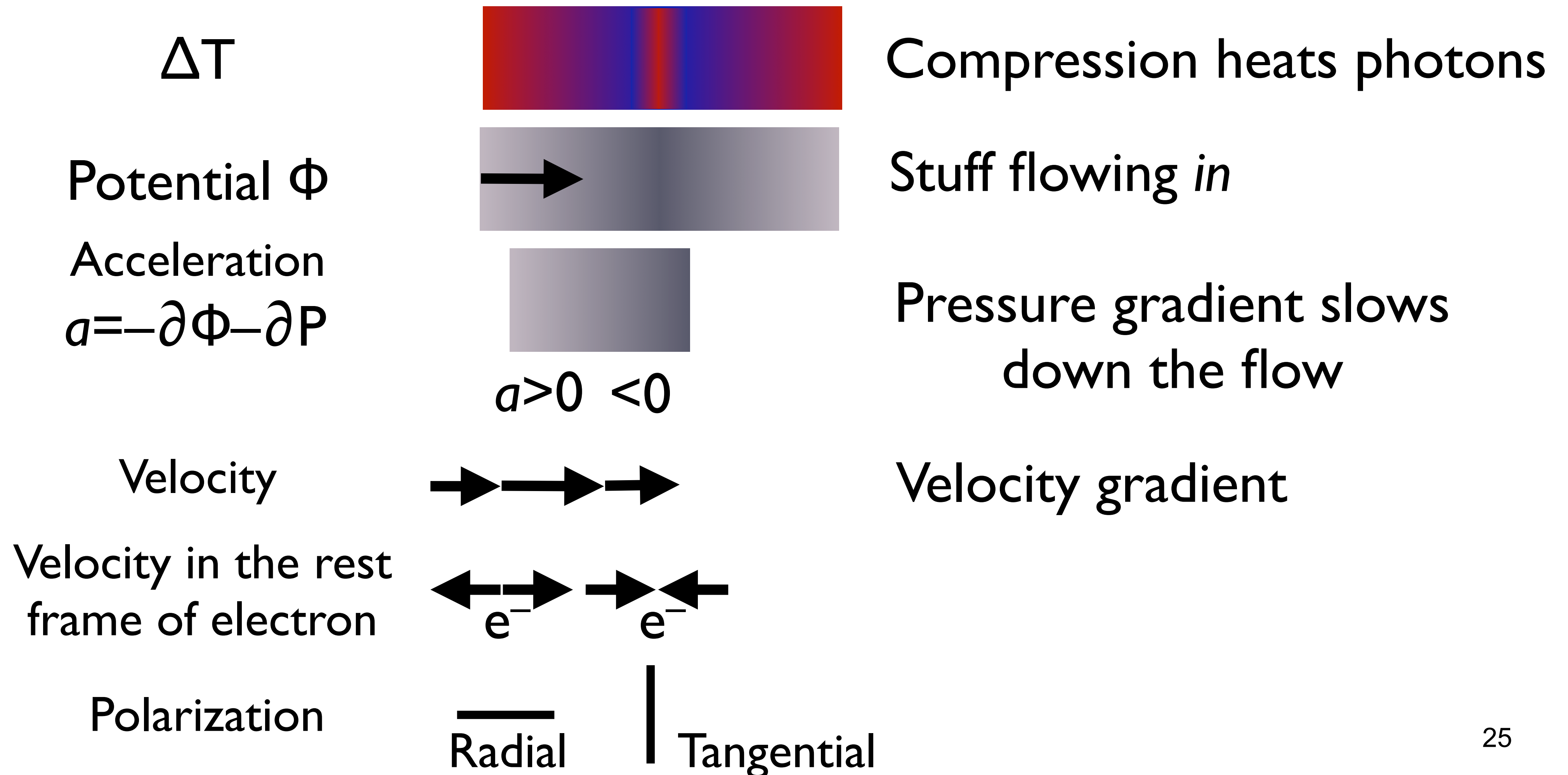
- Plasma **falling into** the gravitational potential well = **Radial** polarization pattern

# Quadrupole From Velocity Gradient (Large Scale)

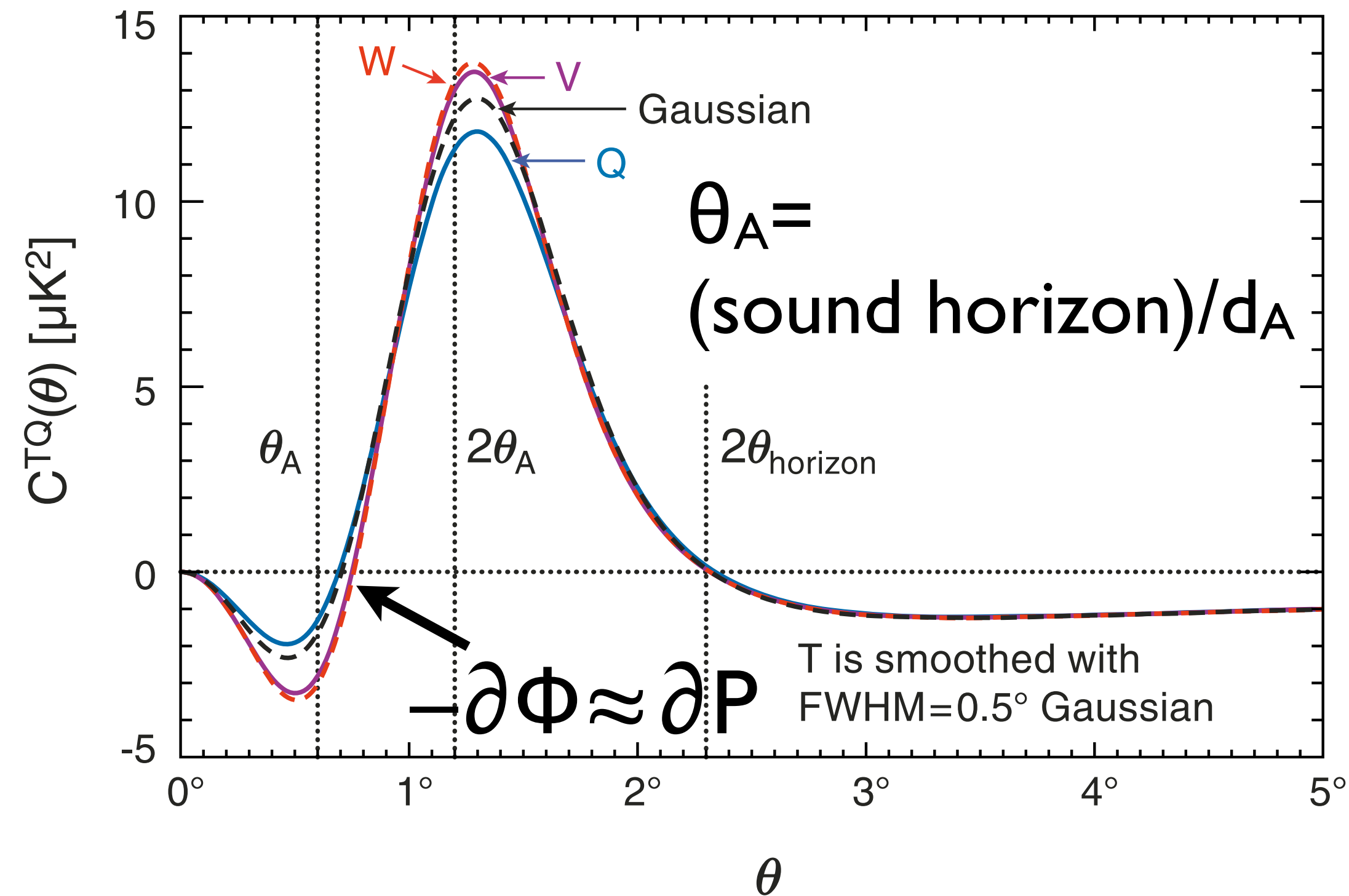
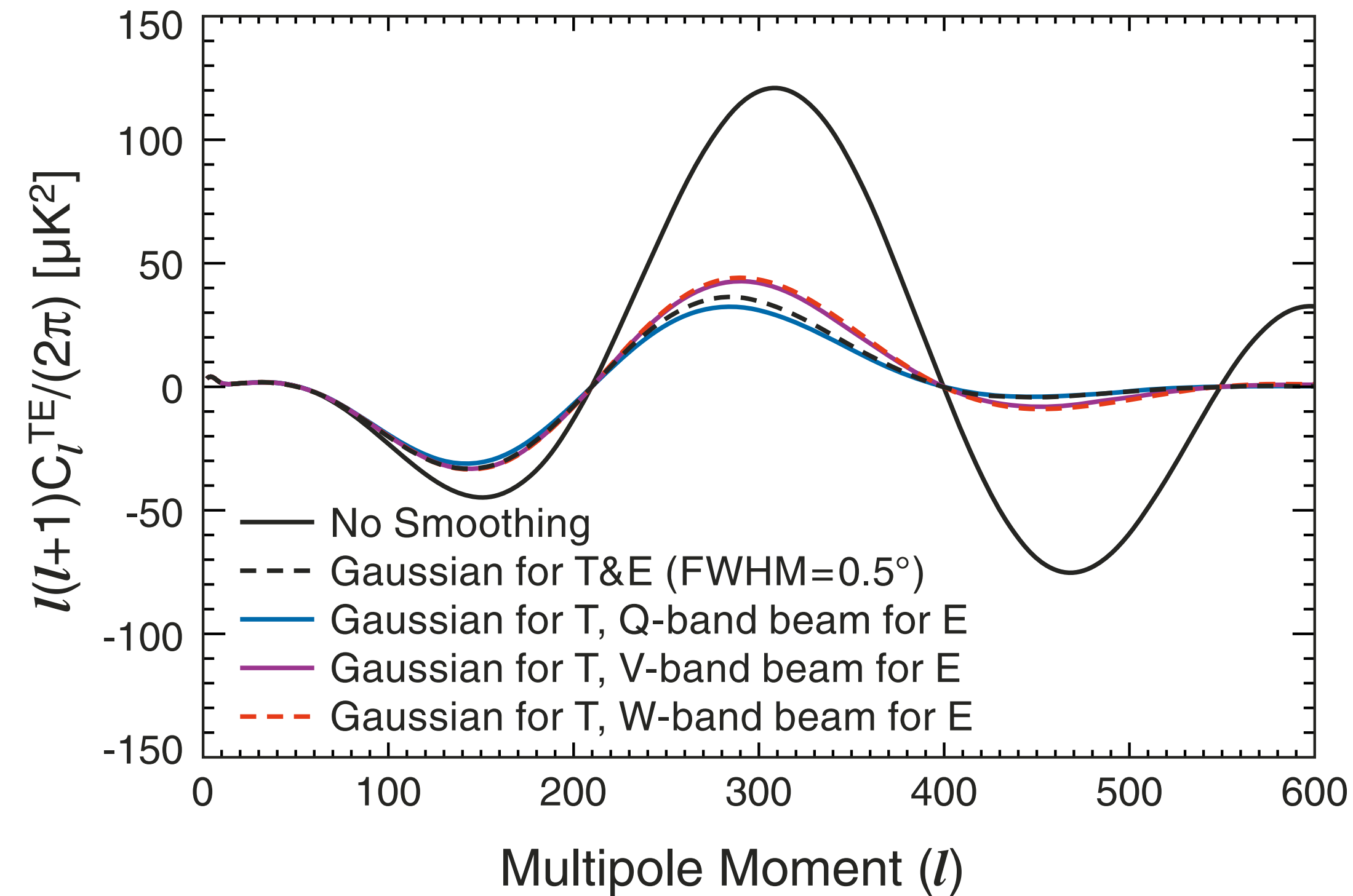




# Quadrupole From Velocity Gradient (Small Scale)



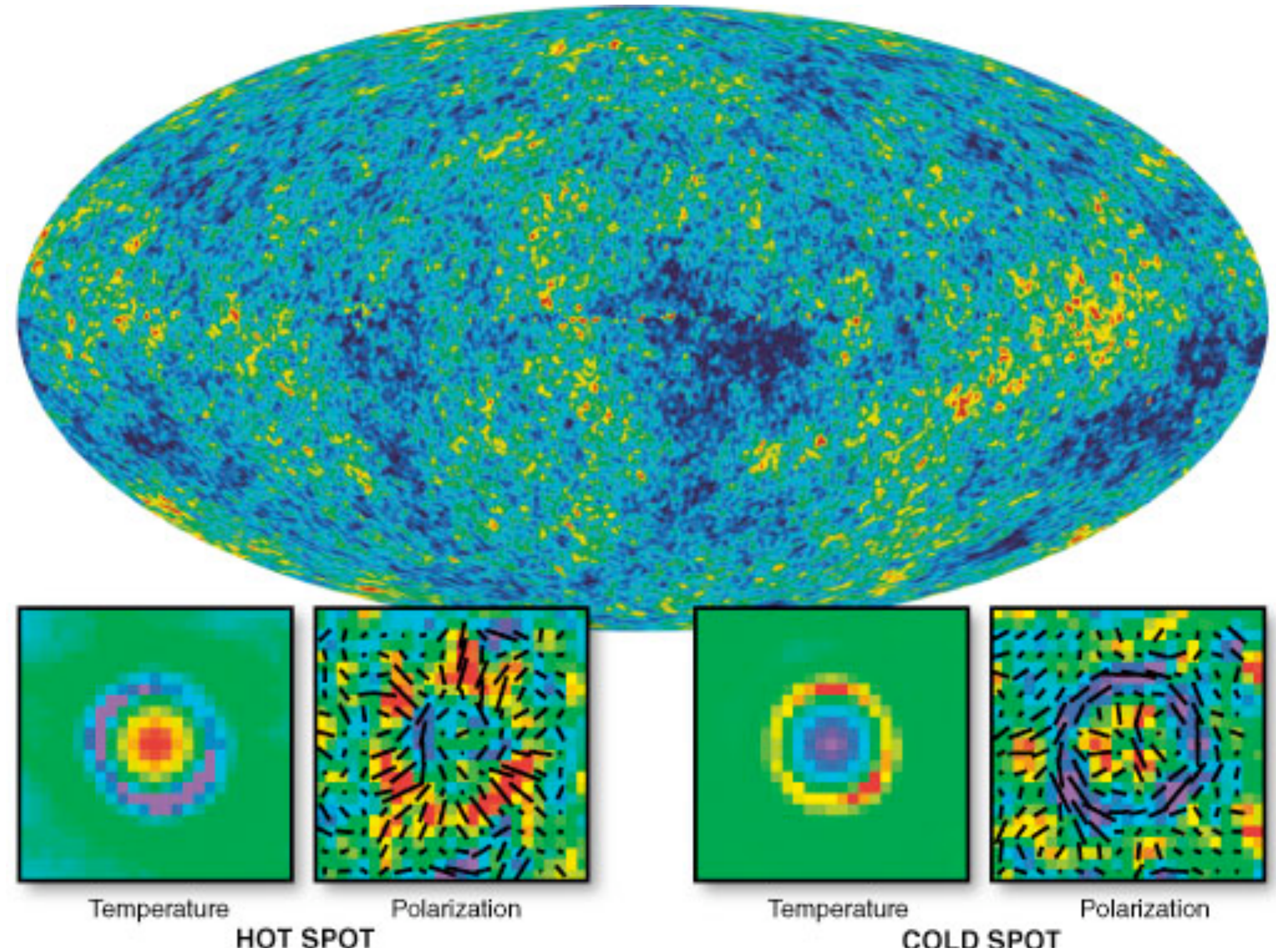
# Hence, TE Correlation (Coulson et al. 1994)



●  $C^{TQr}(\theta) = -\int dl n_l / [l^2 C_l^{TE}/(2\pi)] J_2(l\theta)$  26

# Peak Theory and Stacking Analysis

- Stack polarization images around temperature hot and cold spots.
- Outside of the Galaxy mask (not shown), there are **12387 hot spots** and **12628 cold spots**.



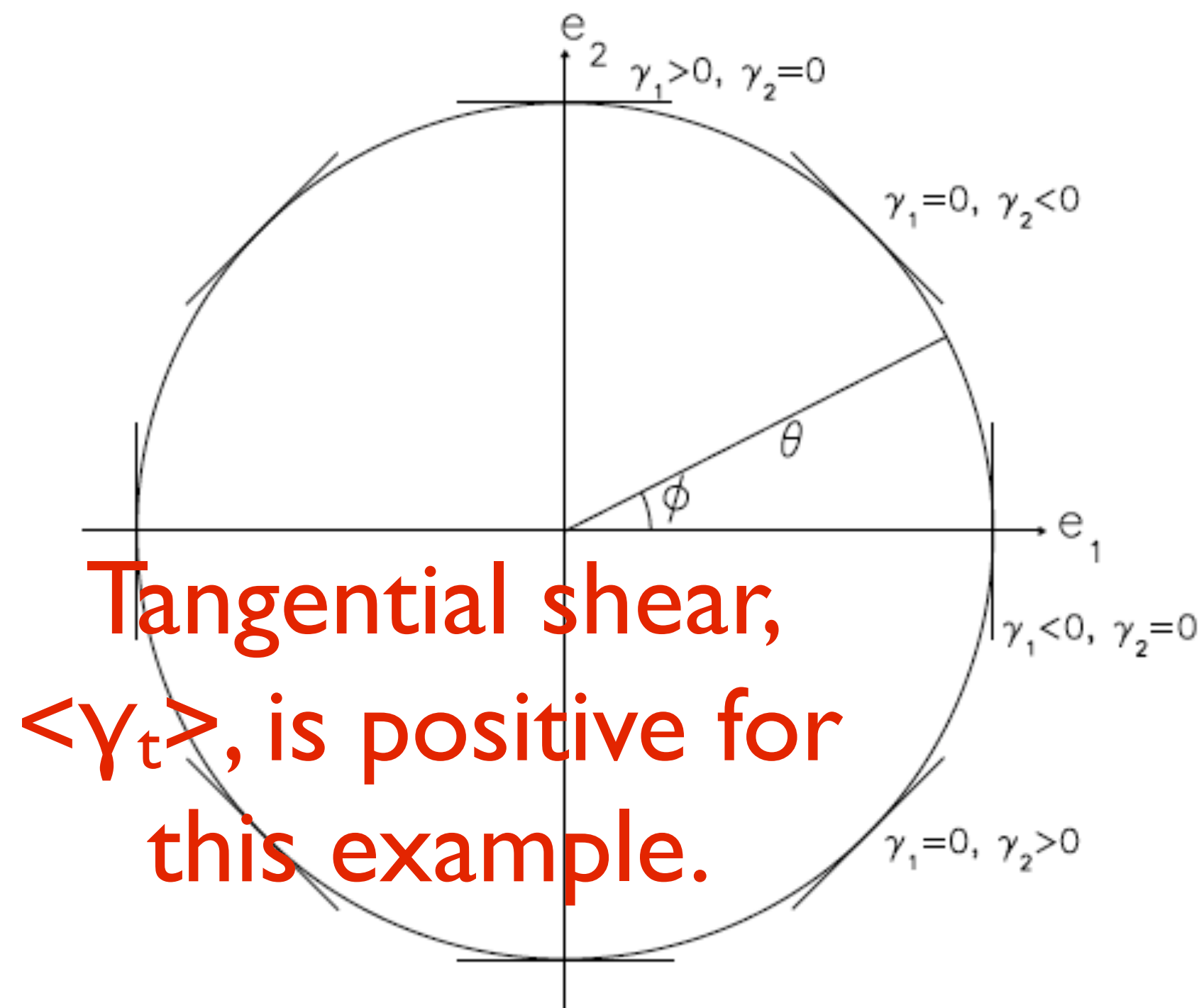
- Peak theory gives:  
 [Note the  $l^2$  term!  
 (Desjacques 2008)]

$$\langle Q_r \rangle(\theta) = - \int \frac{l dl}{2\pi} W_l^T W_l^P (\bar{b}_\nu + \bar{b}_\zeta l^2) C_l^{\text{TE}} J_2(l\theta),$$

$$\langle U_r \rangle(\theta) = - \int \frac{l dl}{2\pi} W_l^T W_l^P (\bar{b}_\nu + \bar{b}_\zeta l^2) C_l^{\text{TB}} J_2(l\theta),$$

# Analogy to Weak Lensing

- If you are familiar with weak lensing, this statistic is equivalent to the *tangential shear*:  $\langle \bar{\gamma}_t^h \rangle(R, z_L) = \frac{\Delta\Sigma(R, z_L)}{\Sigma_c(z_L)}$

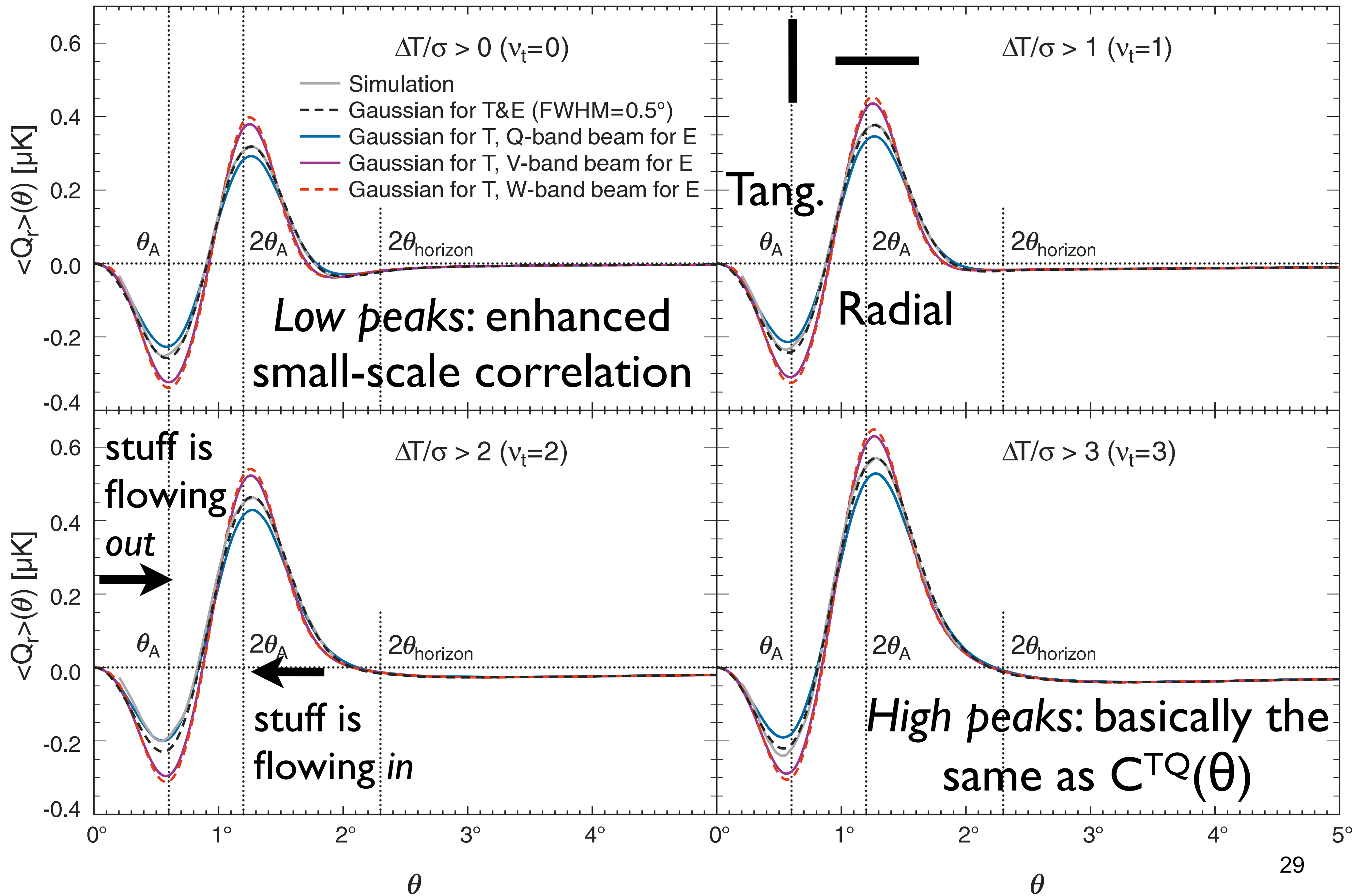


$$\Delta\Sigma(R, z_L) = \rho_0 b_1 \int \frac{k dk}{2\pi} P_m(k, z_L) J_2(kR)$$

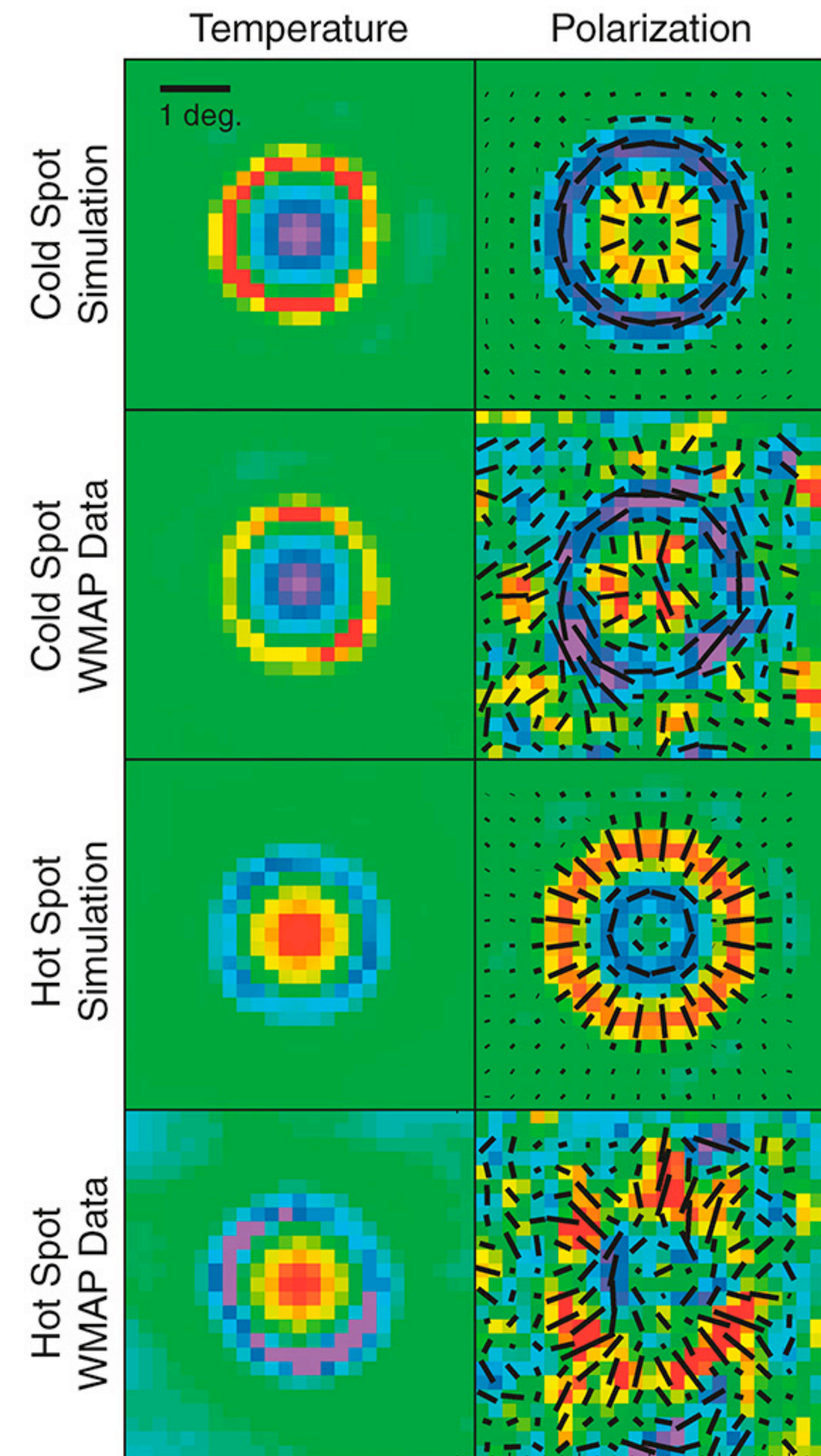
However, all the formulae given in the literature use a scale-independent bias,  $b_1$ . This formula must be modified to include the  $k^2$  term.

$$\gamma_t(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = -\gamma_1(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \cos(2\phi) - \gamma_2(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \sin(2\phi)$$

# Temperature hot spots are stacked



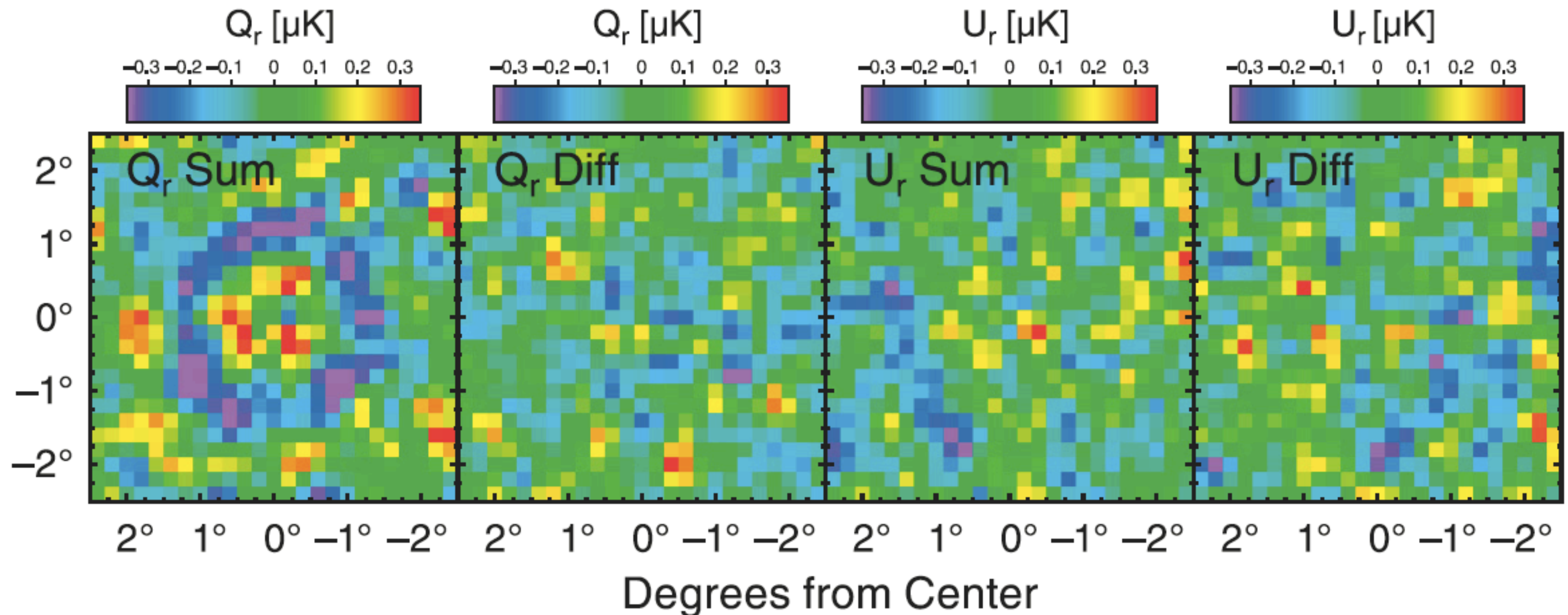
# Two-dimensional View



- All hot and cold spots are stacked (the threshold peak height,  $\Delta T/\sigma$ , is zero)
- “Compression phase” at  $\theta=1.2$  deg and “reversal phase” at  $\theta=0.6$  deg are predicted to be there and we observe them!
  - The overall significance level:  $8\sigma$
- Striking confirmation of the physics of CMB and the dominance of **adiabatic** & **scalar** perturbation.

# How About $U_r$ ?

- $U_r$  is produced by the TB correlation, which is expected to vanish in a parity-conserving universe.



- The  $U_r$  map is consistent with noise.

# Probing Parity Violation

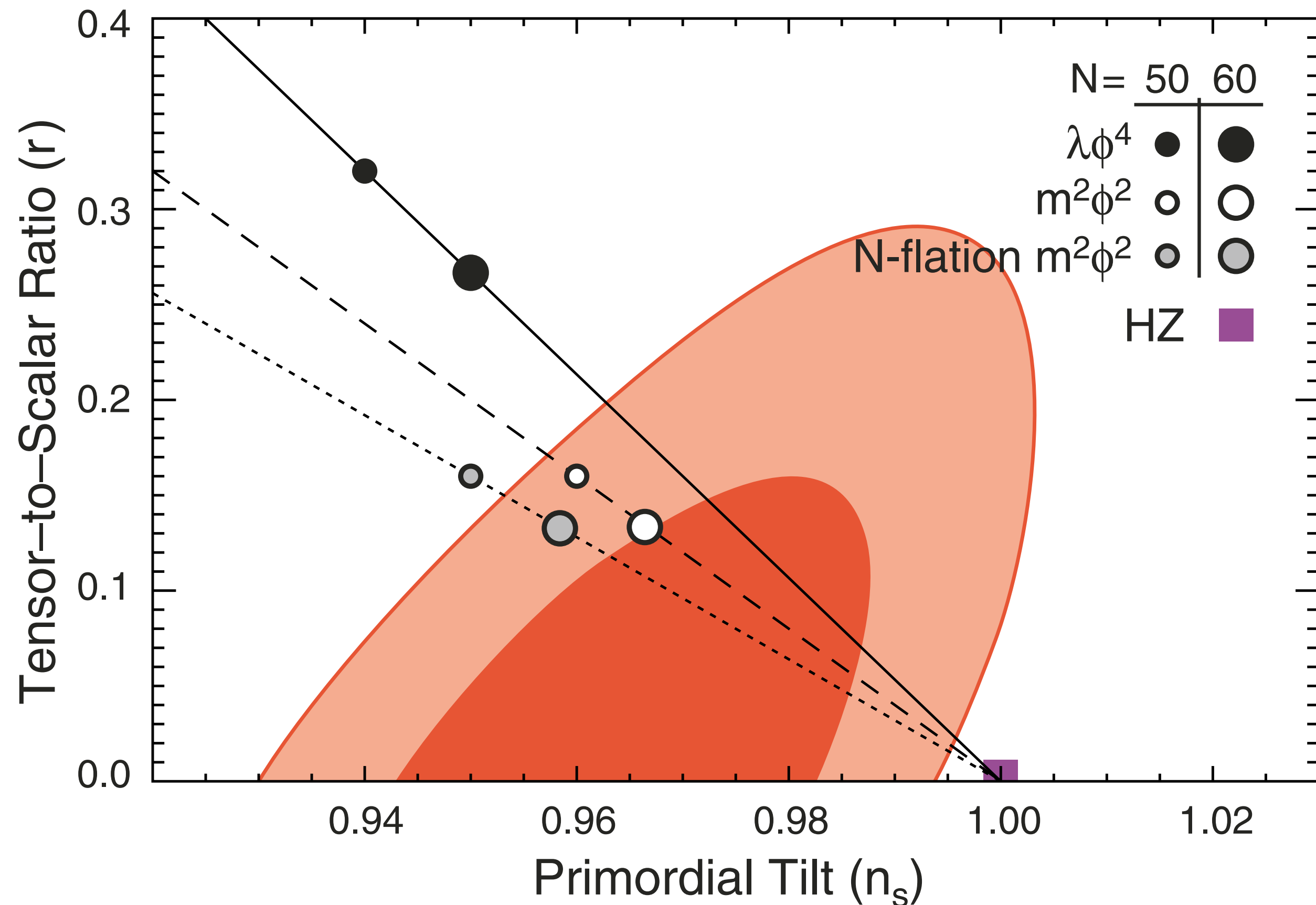
- Cosmological parity violation (“birefringence,” Carroll 1998; Lue et al. 1999) may rotate the polarization plane by an angle  $\Delta\alpha$ , and convert E modes to B modes:

$$C_l^{\text{TB,obs}} = C_l^{\text{TE}} \sin(2\Delta\alpha)$$

- Non-detection of  $U_r$  gives  $\Delta\alpha = 1 \pm 3$  deg (68%CL)
- The full analysis using  $C_l^{\text{TB}}$  (as well as  $C_l^{\text{EB}}$ ) gives
  - $\Delta\alpha = -1.1 \pm 1.3(\text{statistical}) \pm 1.5(\text{systematic})$  deg.



# Probing Inflation (Power Spectrum)



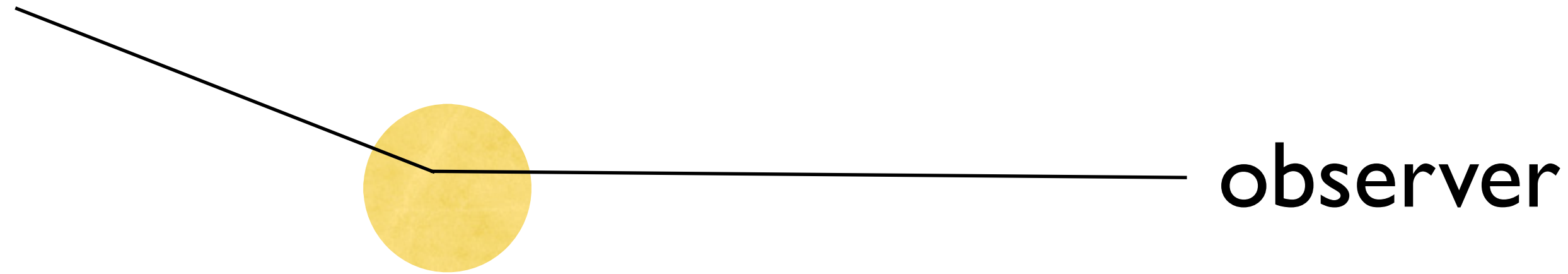
- Joint constraint on the primordial tilt,  $n_s$ , and the tensor-to-scalar ratio,  $r$ .
- Not so different from the 5-year limit.
- $r < 0.24$  (95%CL; w/o SN)
- $r < 0.20$  (95%CL; w/ SN)

# Probing Inflation (Bispectrum)

- No detection of 3-point functions of primordial curvature perturbations. The 95% CL limits are:
  - $-10 < f_{\text{NL}}^{\text{local}} < 74$
  - $-214 < f_{\text{NL}}^{\text{equilateral}} < 266$
  - $-410 < f_{\text{NL}}^{\text{orthogonal}} < 6$
- The WMAP data are consistent with the prediction of **simple single-inflation inflation** models:
  - $1 - n_s \approx r \approx f_{\text{NL}}^{\text{local}}, f_{\text{NL}}^{\text{equilateral}} = 0 = f_{\text{NL}}^{\text{orthogonal}}$ .

Zel'dovich & Sunyaev (1969); Sunyaev & Zel'dovich (1972)

# Sunyaev–Zel'dovich Effect



Hot gas with the  
electron temperature of  $T_e \gg T_{\text{cmb}}$

- $\Delta T/T_{\text{cmb}} = g_\nu y$

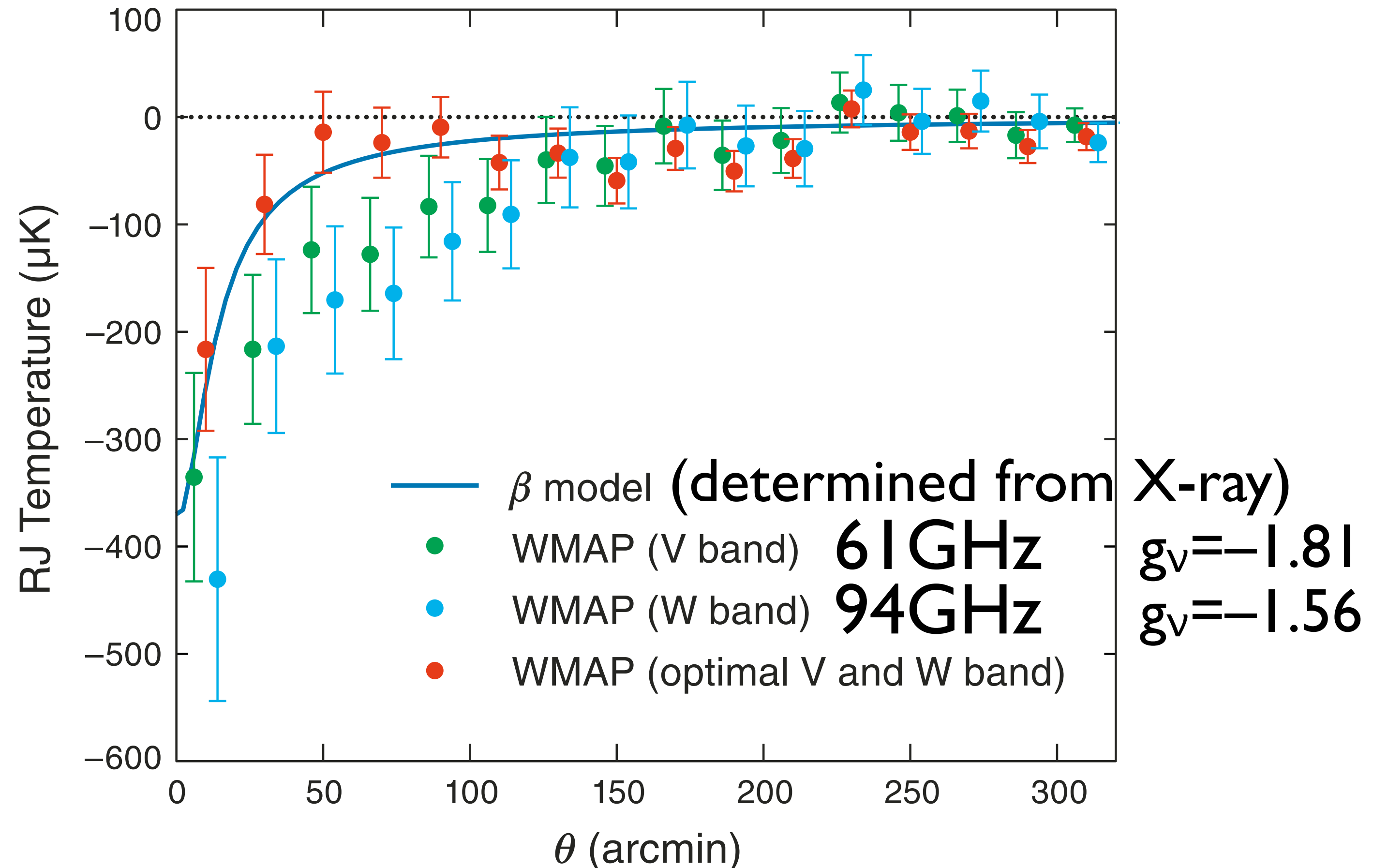
$$\begin{aligned} y &= (\text{optical depth of gas}) k_B T_e / (m_e c^2) \\ &= [\sigma_T / (m_e c^2)] \int n_e k_B T_e d(\text{los}) \\ &= [\sigma_T / (m_e c^2)] \int (\text{electron pressure}) d(\text{los}) \end{aligned}$$

$g_\nu = -2$  ( $\nu=0$ );  $-1.91$ ,  $-1.81$  and  $-1.56$  at  $\nu=41$ ,  $61$  and  $94$  GHz

# Coma Cluster ( $z=0.023$ )

We find that the CMB fluctuation in the direction of Coma is  $\approx -100\mu\text{K}$ . (This is a new result!)

$$y_{\text{coma}}(0) = (7 \pm 2) \times 10^{-5} \quad (68\% \text{CL})$$

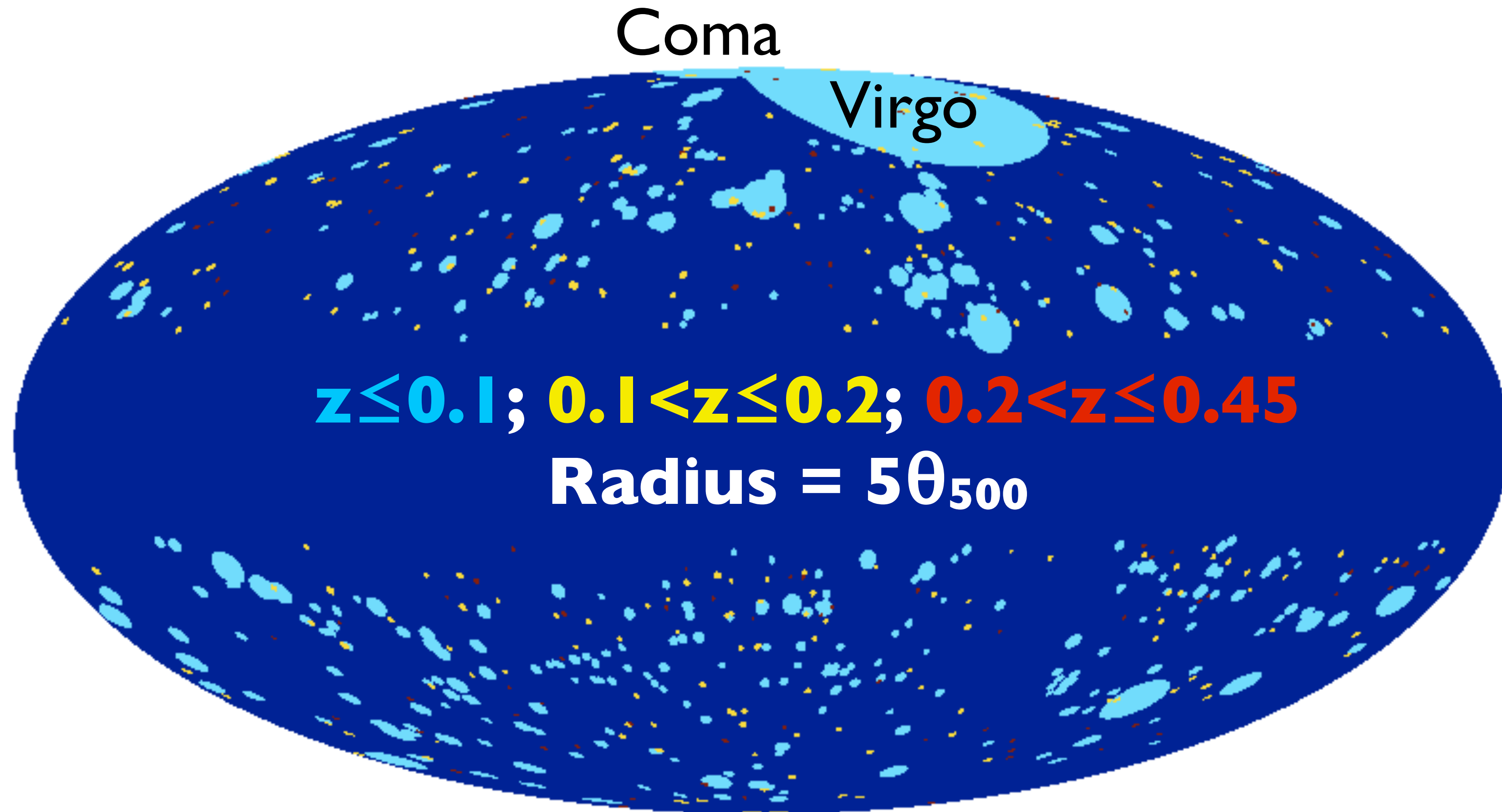


- “Optimal V and W band” analysis can separate SZ and CMB. The SZ effect toward Coma is detected at  **$3.6\sigma$** .

# *Statistical* Detection of SZ

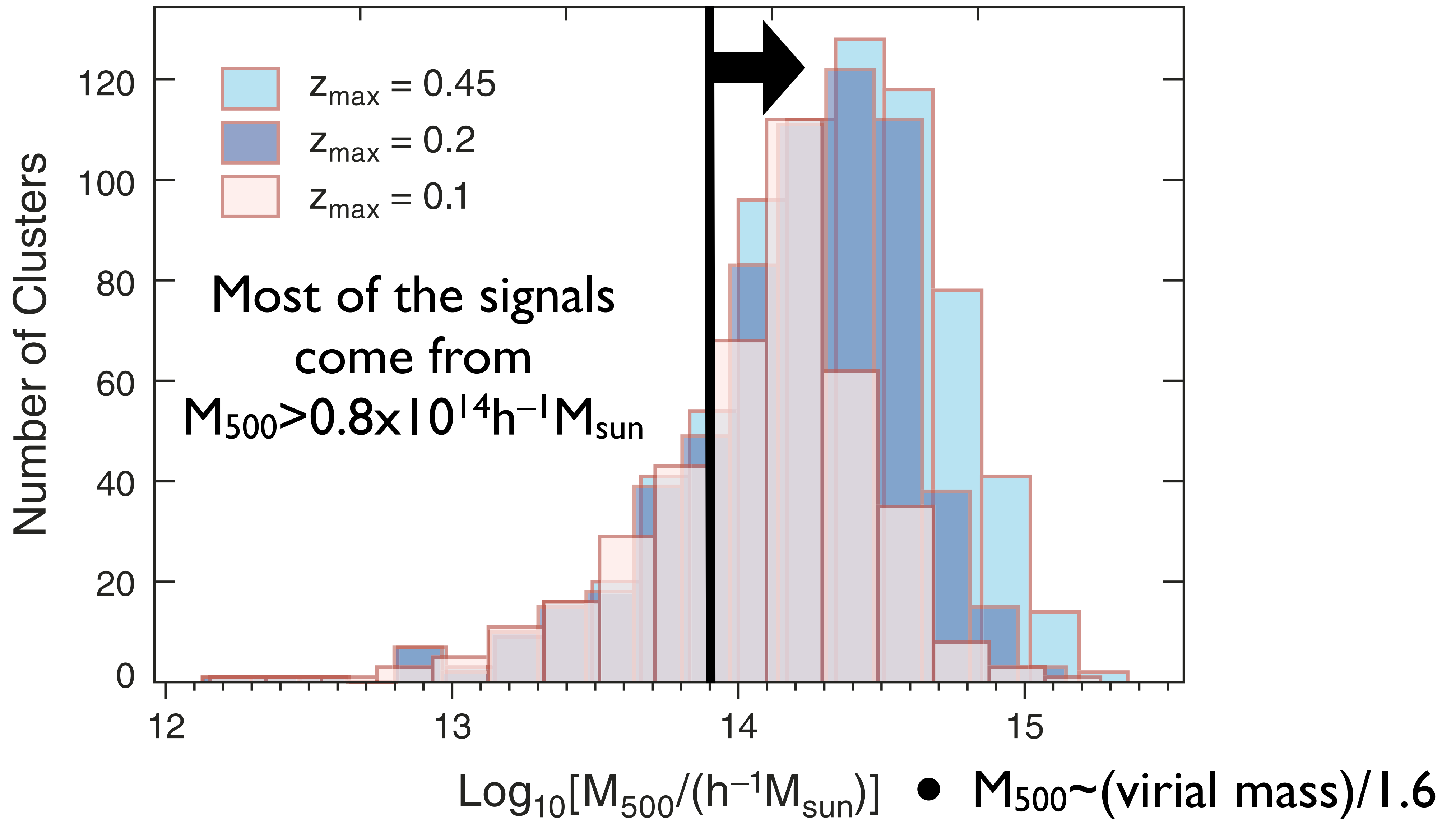
- Coma is bright enough to be detected by WMAP.
- The other clusters are not bright enough to be detected individually by WMAP.
- By stacking the pixels at the locations of known clusters of galaxies (detected in X-ray), we detected the SZ effect at  $8\sigma$ .
- Many statistical detections reported in the literature:  
(Fosalba et al. 2003; Hernández-Monteagudo & Rubiño-Martín 2004; Hernández-Monteagudo et al. 2004; Myers et al. 2004; Afshordi et al. 2005; Lieu et al. 2006; Bielby & Shanks 2007; Afshordi et al. 2007; Atrio-Barandela et al. 2008; Kashlinsky et al. 2008; Diego & Partridge 2009; Melin et al. 2010).

# ROSAT Cluster Catalog



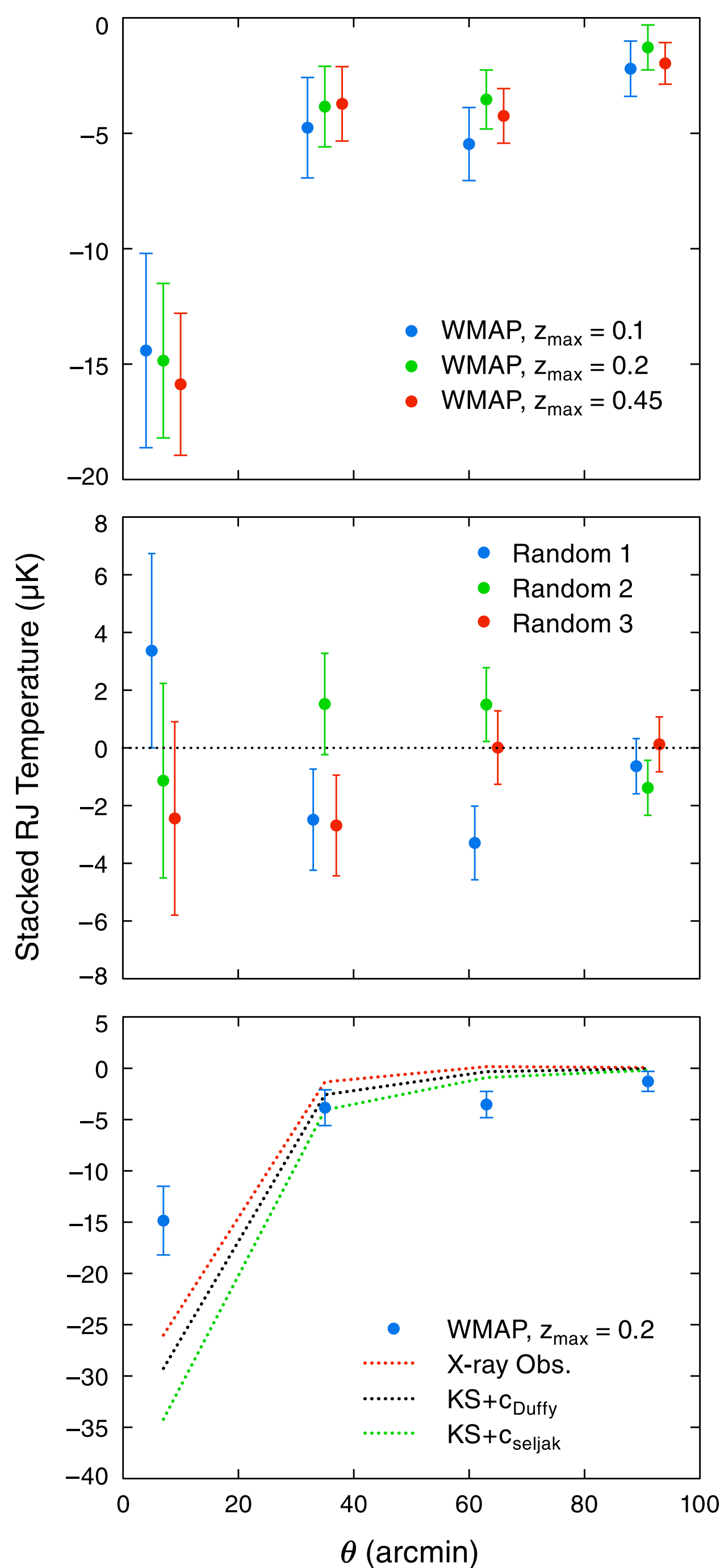
- 742 clusters in  $|b| > 20$  deg (before Galaxy mask)
- 400, 228 & 114 clusters in  $z \leq 0.1$ ,  $0.1 < z \leq 0.2$  &  $0.2 < z \leq 0.45$ .<sup>38</sup>

# Mass Distribution



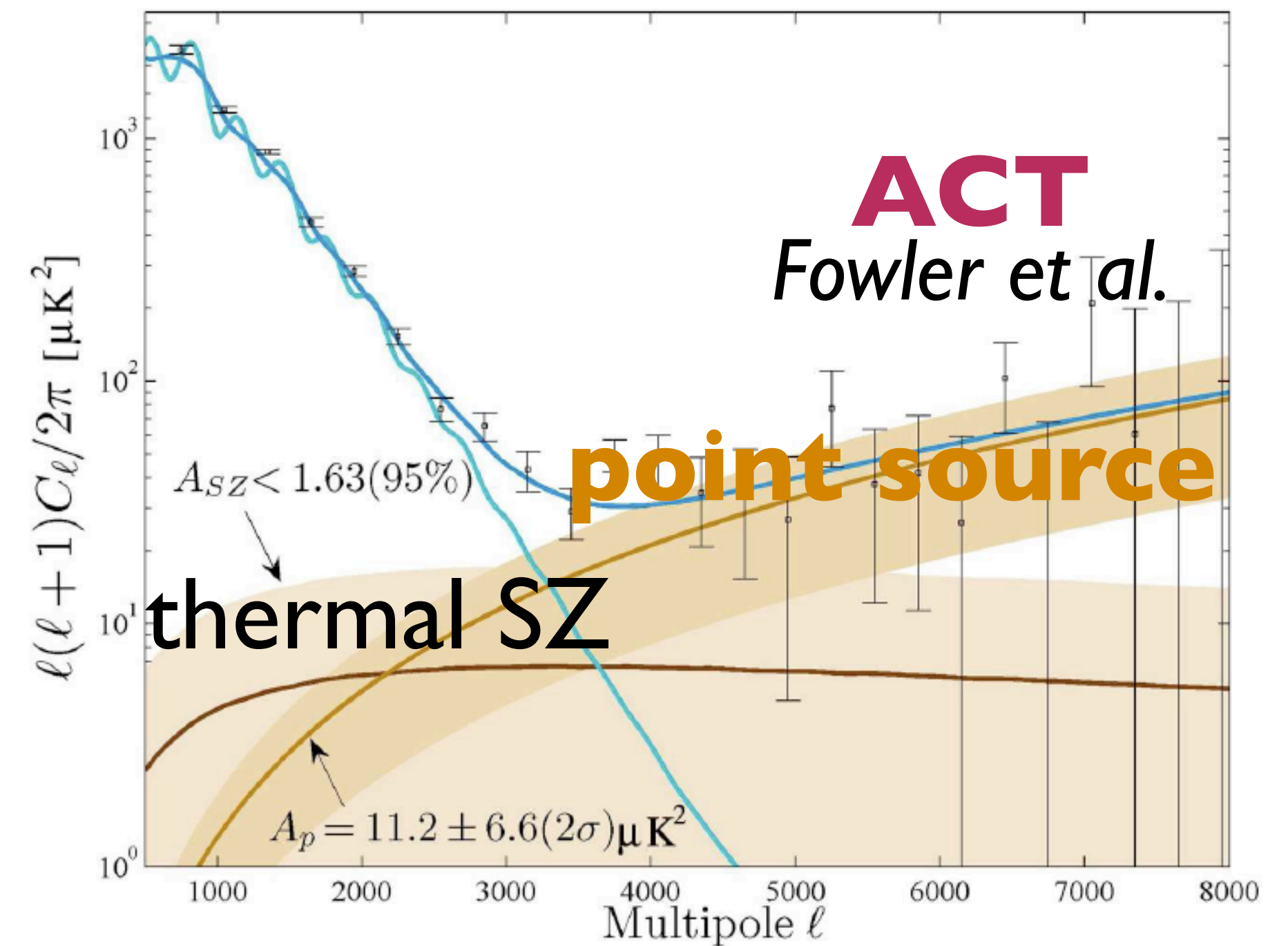
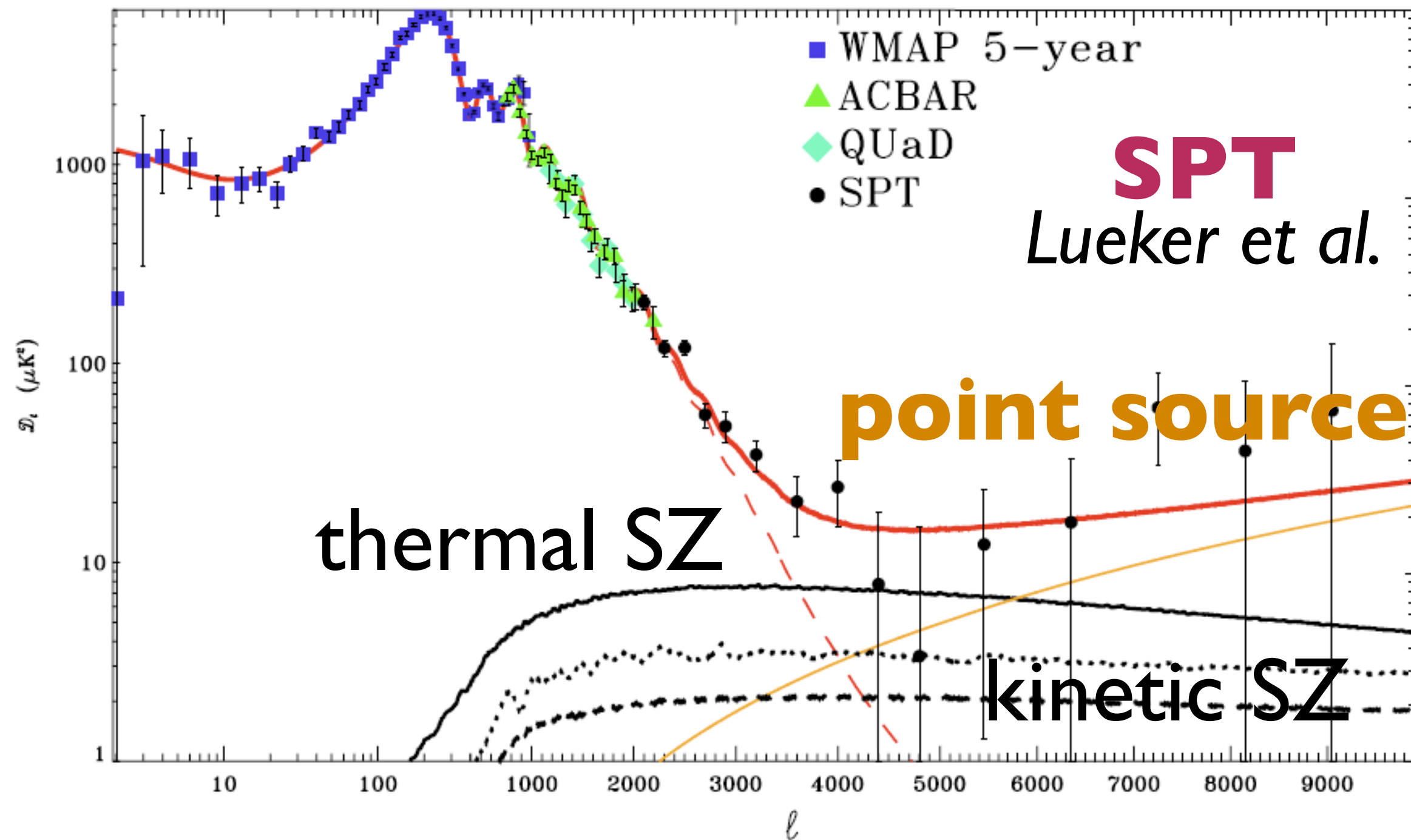
# Angular Profiles

- (Top) Significant detection of the SZ effect.
- (Middle) Repeating the same analysis on the random locations on the sky does not reveal any noticeable bias.
- (Bottom) Comparison to the expectations. **The observed SZ  $\sim$  0.5–0.7 times the expectations.**  
Why?





# Small-scale CMB Data



- The SPT measured the secondary anisotropy from (possibly) SZ. **The power spectrum amplitude is  $A_{SZ}=0.4-0.6$  times the expectations. Why?**

# Lower $A_{SZ}$ : Two Possibilities

$$C_l = g_\nu^2 \int_0^{z_{\max}} dz \frac{dV}{dz} \int_{M_{\min}}^{M_{\max}} dM \frac{dn(M, z)}{dM} |\tilde{y}_l(M, z)|^2$$

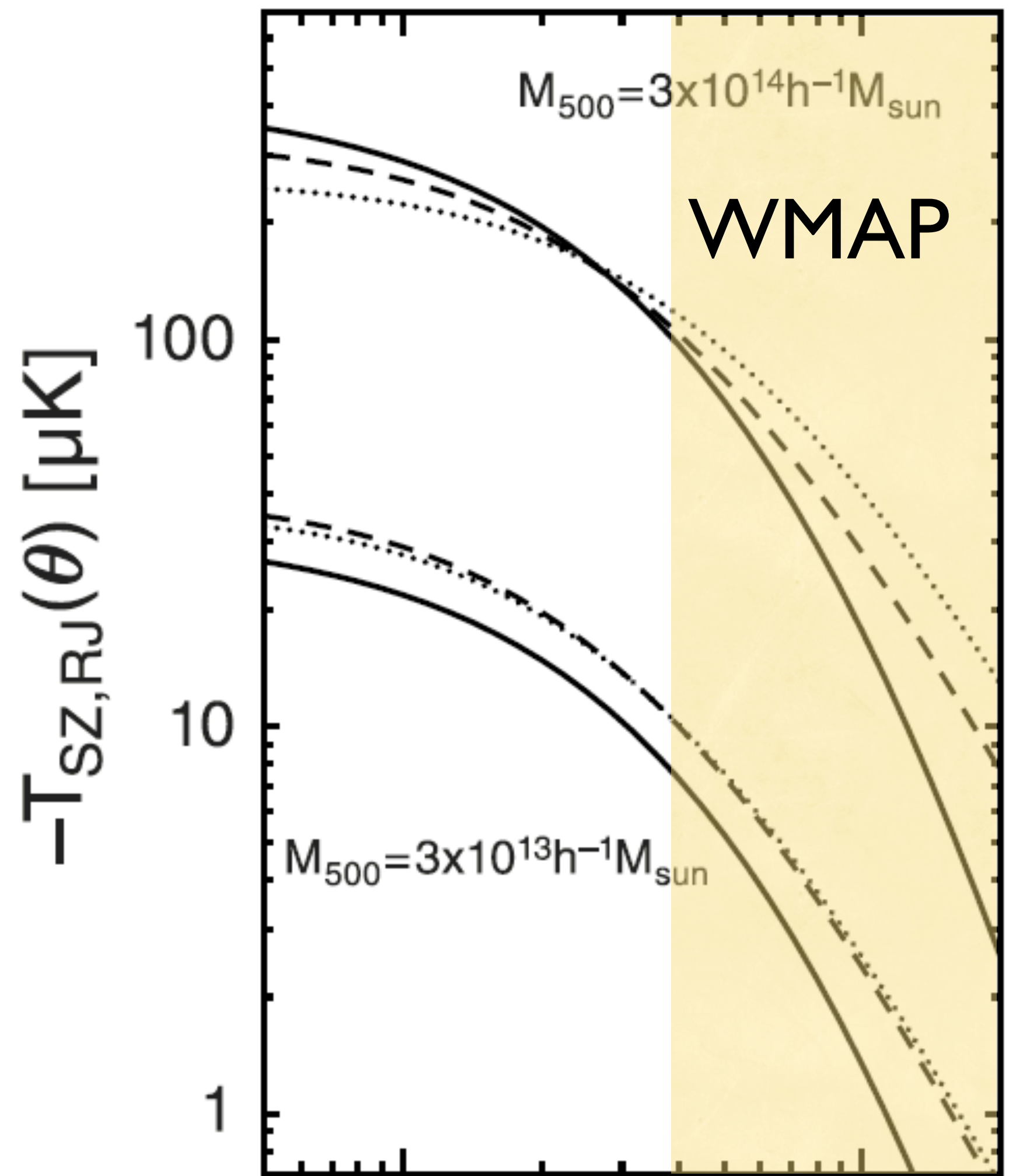
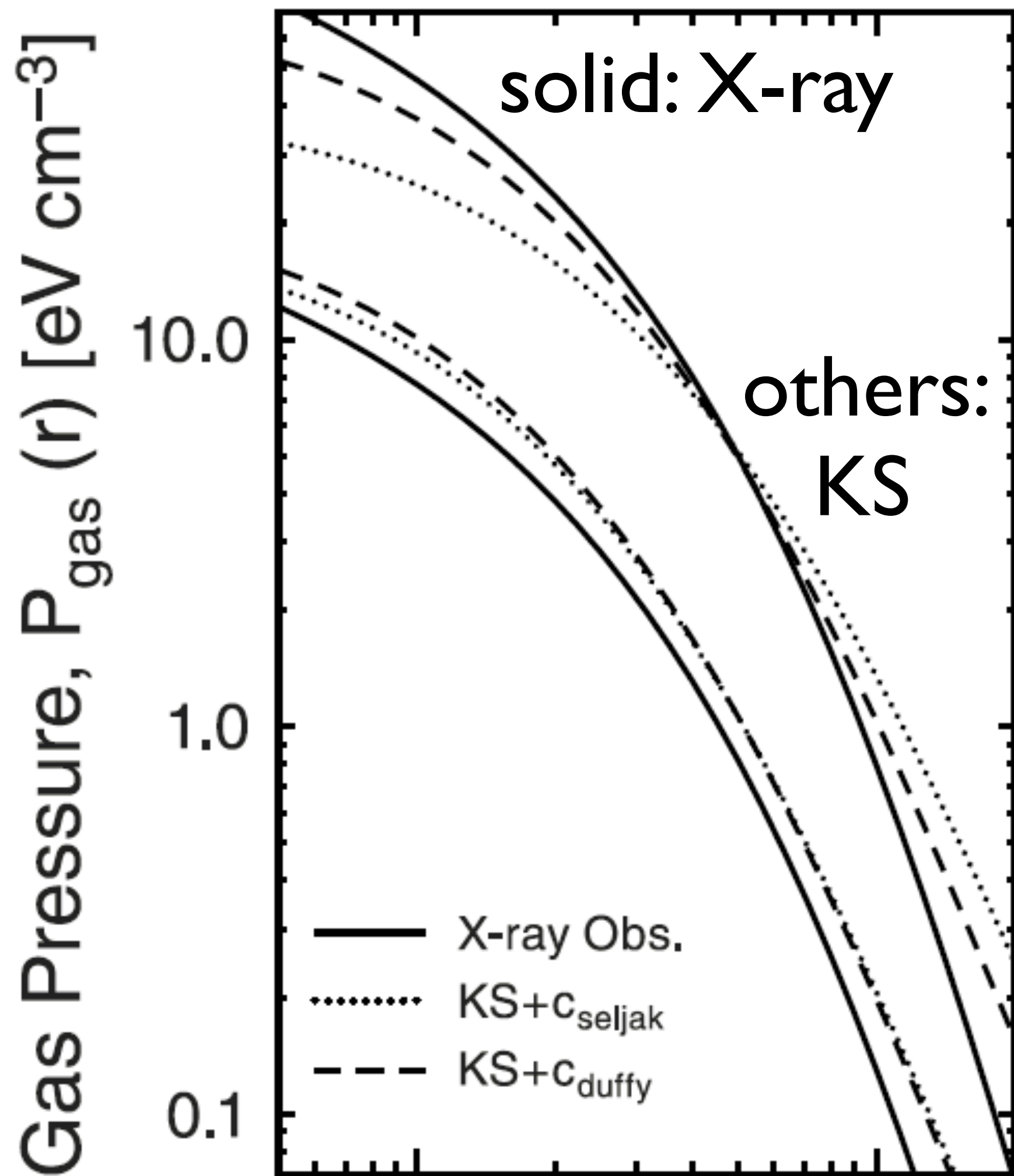
→  $\frac{l(l+1)C_l}{2\pi} \simeq 330 \mu\text{K}^2 \sigma_8^7 \left(\frac{\Omega_b h}{0.035}\right)^2 \times [\text{gas pressure}]$

- The SZ power spectrum is sensitive to the number of clusters (i.e.,  $\sigma_8$ ) and the pressure of individual clusters.
- Lower SZ power spectrum can imply:
  - $\sigma_8$  is 0.77 (rather than 0.8):  $\sum m_\nu \sim 0.2\text{eV}$ ?
  - Gas pressure per cluster is lower than expected

→ **WMAP measurement favors this possibility.**

# Gory Details and Systematic Error Checks

- What are the “expectations”?
  - Empirical pressure profiles derived from X-ray observations (Arnaud et al. 2009)
  - Theoretical pressure profiles derived from hydrodynamical simulations (Nagai et al. 2007)
  - Theoretical pressure profiles derived from simple analytical modeling of the intracluster medium (Komatsu & Seljak 2001; 2002)
- All of these agree with each other reasonably well.



$r/r_{500}$      $r_{500} \sim 0.5$  (virial radius)     $\theta/\theta_{500}$

- The central part of the clusters cannot be resolved by WMAP's beam.

# Size-Luminosity Relations

- To calculate the expected pressure profile for each cluster, we need to know the size of the cluster,  $r_{500}$ .
- This needs to be derived from the observed properties of X-ray clusters.

- The best quantity is the gas mass times temperature, but this is available only for a small subset of clusters.

- We use  $r_{500}$ – $L_X$  relation (Boehringer et al.):

$$r_{500} = \frac{(0.753 \pm 0.063) h^{-1} \text{ Mpc}}{E(z)}$$

**Uncertainty in this relation is the major source of sys. error.**

$$\times \left( \frac{L_X}{10^{44} h^{-2} \text{ erg s}^{-1}} \right)^{0.228 \pm 0.015}$$

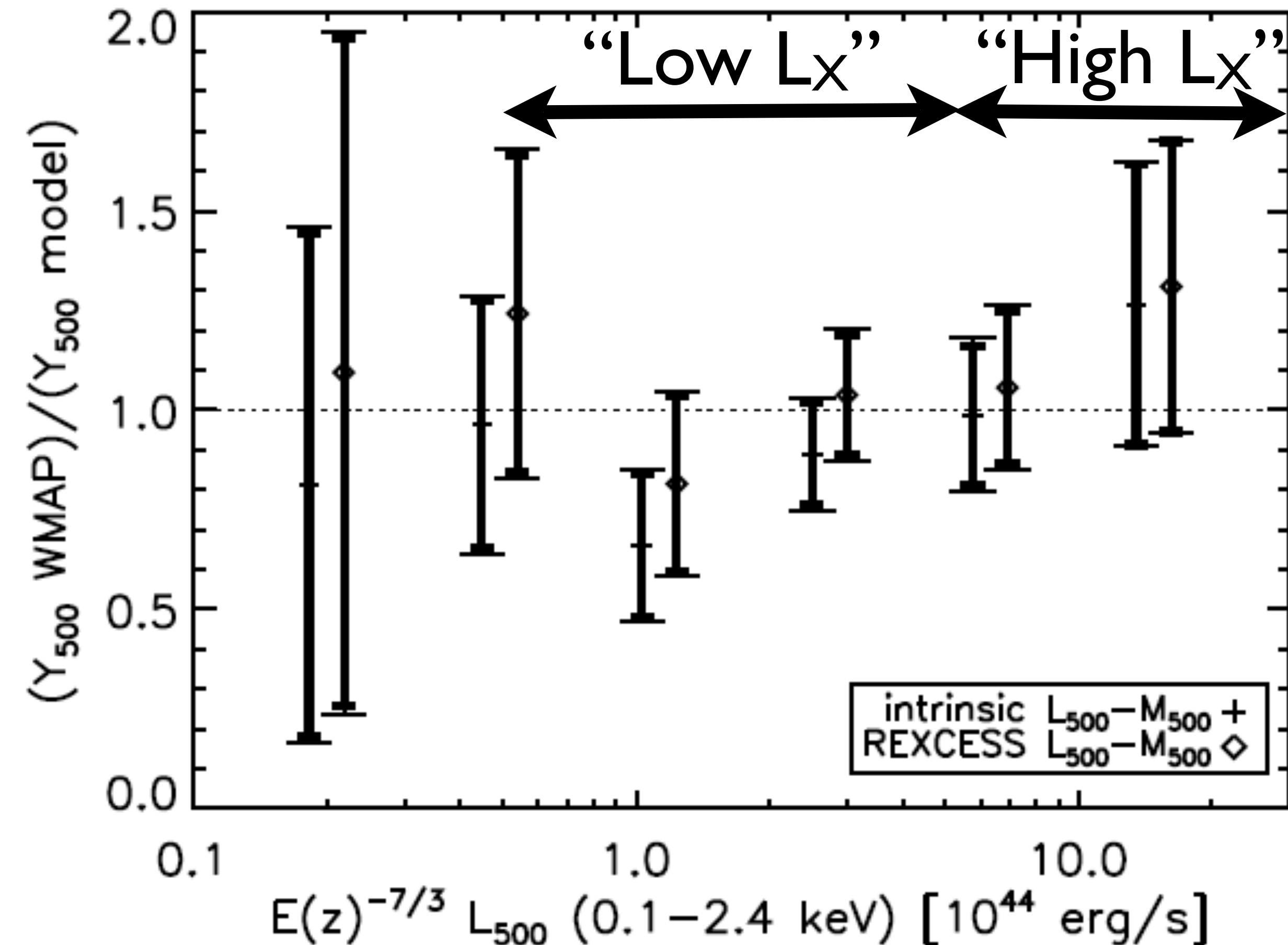
$$E(z) \equiv H(z)/H_0 = [\Omega_m(1+z)^3 + \Omega_\Lambda]^{1/2}$$

# Missing P in Low Mass Clusters?

Gas Pressure Profile	Type	$z_{\max} = 0.1$	$z_{\max} = 0.2$	High $L_X^b$	Low $L_X^c$
Arnaud et al. (2009)	X-ray Obs. (Fid.) <sup>d</sup>	$0.64 \pm 0.09$	$0.59 \pm 0.07^{+0.38}_{-0.23}$	$0.67 \pm 0.09$	$0.43 \pm 0.12$
Arnaud et al. (2009)	REXCESS scaling <sup>e</sup>	N/A	$0.78 \pm 0.09$	$0.90 \pm 0.12$	$0.55 \pm 0.16$
Arnaud et al. (2009)	intrinsic scaling <sup>f</sup>	N/A	$0.69 \pm 0.08$	$0.84 \pm 0.11$	$0.46 \pm 0.13$
Arnaud et al. (2009)	$r_{\text{out}} = 2r_{500}^g$	N/A	$0.59 \pm 0.07$	$0.67 \pm 0.09$	$0.43 \pm 0.12$
Arnaud et al. (2009)	$r_{\text{out}} = r_{500}^h$	N/A	$0.65 \pm 0.08$	$0.74 \pm 0.09$	$0.44 \pm 0.14$
Komatsu & Seljak (2001)	equation (C16)	$0.59 \pm 0.09$	$0.46 \pm 0.06^{+0.31}_{-0.18}$	$0.49 \pm 0.08$	$0.40 \pm 0.11$
Komatsu & Seljak (2001)	equation (C17)	$0.67 \pm 0.09$	$0.58 \pm 0.07^{+0.33}_{-0.20}$	$0.66 \pm 0.09$	$0.43 \pm 0.12$
Nagai et al. (2007)	Non-radiative	N/A	$0.50 \pm 0.06^{+0.28}_{-0.18}$	$0.60 \pm 0.08$	$0.33 \pm 0.10$
Nagai et al. (2007)	Cooling+SF	N/A	$0.67 \pm 0.08^{+0.37}_{-0.23}$	$0.79 \pm 0.10$	$0.45 \pm 0.14$

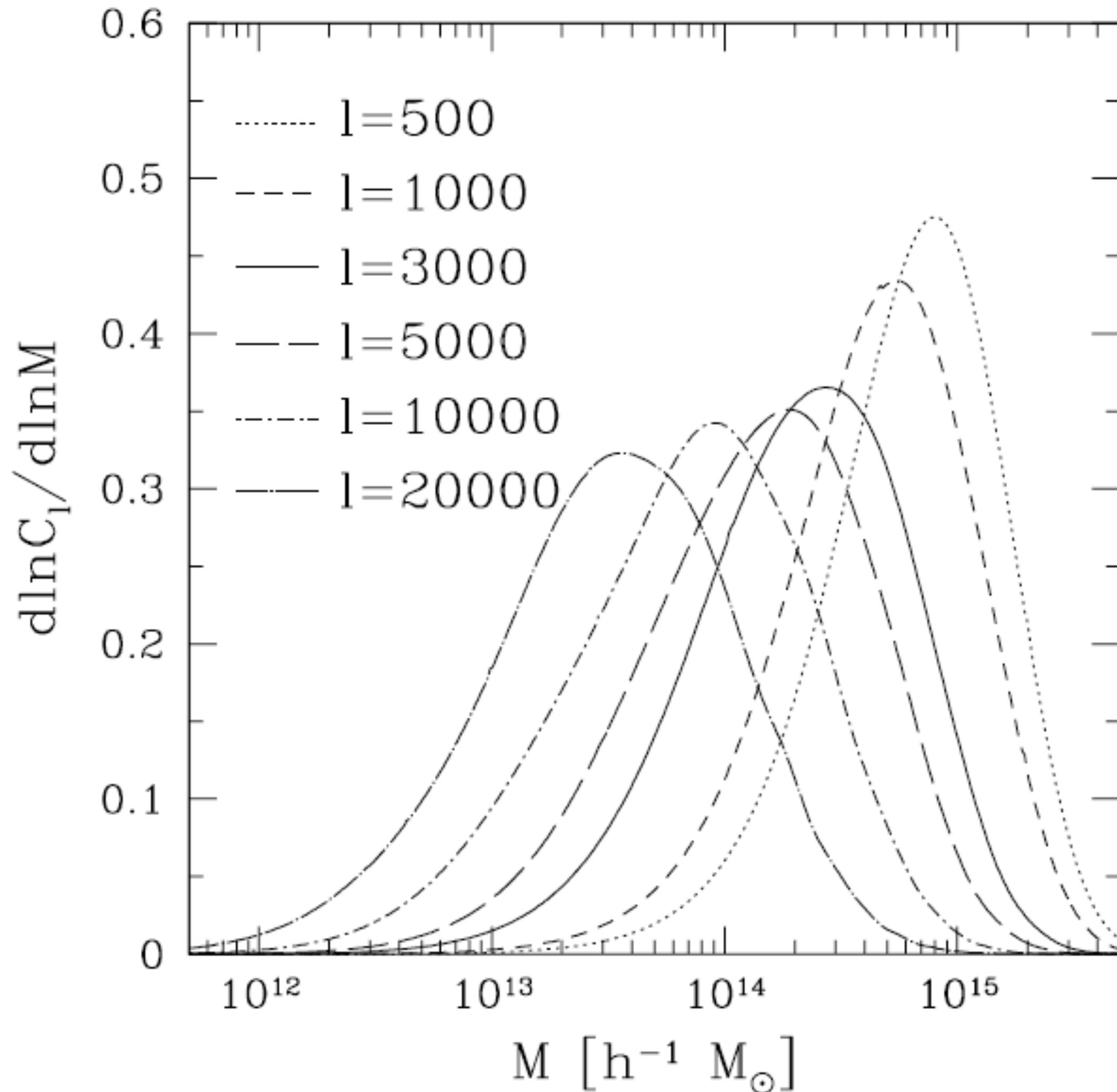
- One picture has emerged:
  - “High  $L_X$ ” clusters [ $M_{500} > 4 \times 10^{14} h^{-1} M_{\text{sun}}$ ] can be brought into agreement with the expectations by playing with the  $r_{500}$ – $L_X$  relation.
  - “Low  $L_X$ ” clusters reveal a significant *missing pressure*.<sup>46</sup>

# Comparison with Melin et al.



- That low-mass clusters have lower normalization than high-mass clusters is also seen by a different group using a different method.
- While our overall normalization is much lower than theirs, the *relative* normalization is in an agreement.

# This is consistent with the lower-than-expected $C_l^{SZ}$



- At  $l > 3000$ , the dominant contributions to the SZ power spectrum come from low-mass clusters ( $M_{500} < 4 \times 10^{14} h^{-1} M_{\text{sun}}$ ).



# Summary

- Significant improvements in the **high-l temperature** data, and the **polarization data at all multipoles**.
- High-l temperature:  $n_s < 1$ , detection of helium, improved limits on neutrino properties.
- Polarization: polarization on the sky!
  - Polarization-only limit on  $r$ :  $r < 0.93$  (95%CL).
  - All data included:  $r < 0.24$  (95%CL; w/o SN)
  - $\Delta\alpha = -1.1 \pm 1.3$ (statistical)  $\pm 1.5$ (systematic) deg.

# Puzzle?

- SZ effect: Coma's radial profile is measured, and the statistical detection reaches  $8\sigma$ .
- Evidence for lower-than-expected gas pressure in low mass clusters.