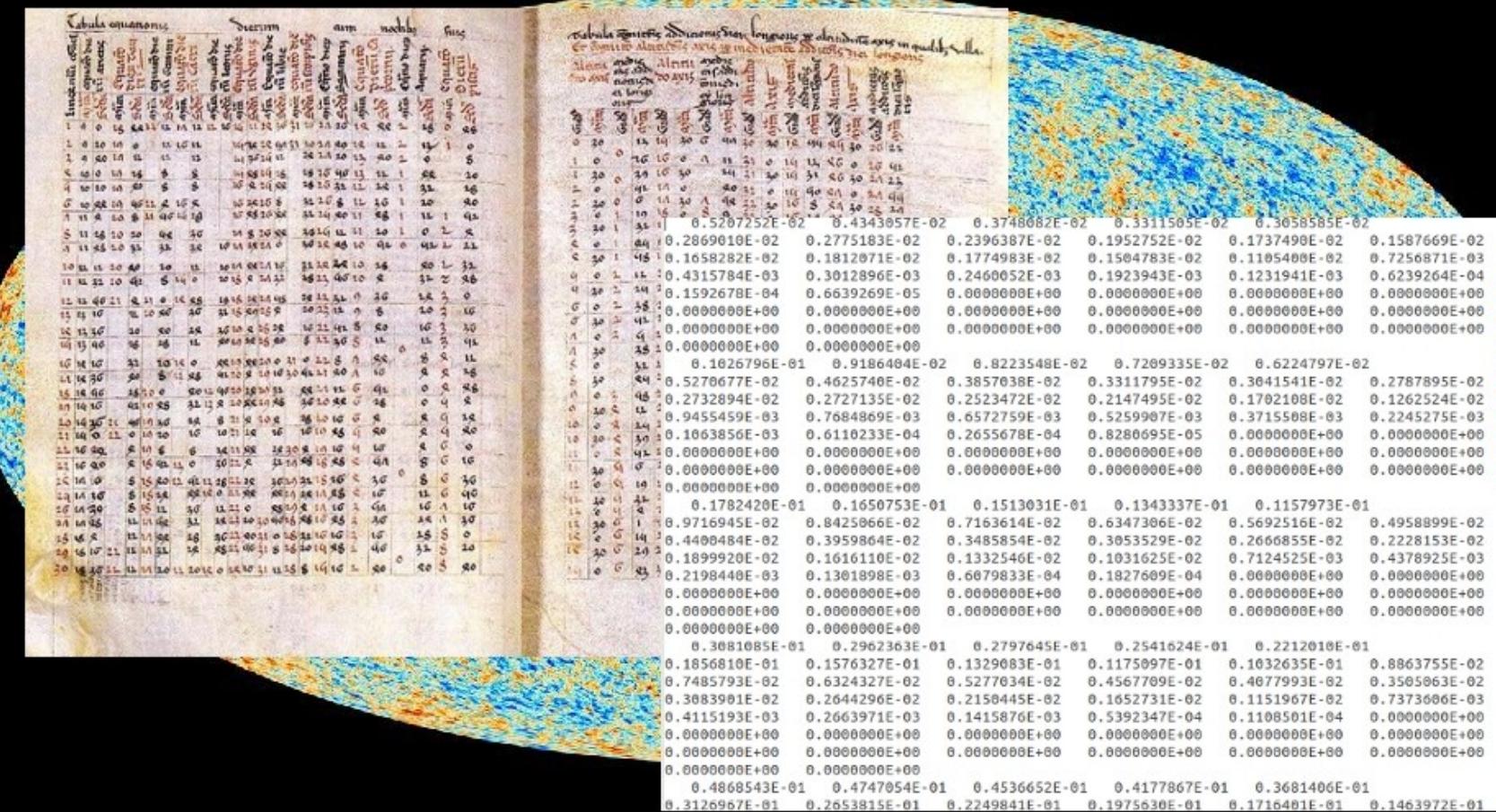


# Inflation in 2013

Will Kinney



EPI2013 Exploring the Physics of Inflation  
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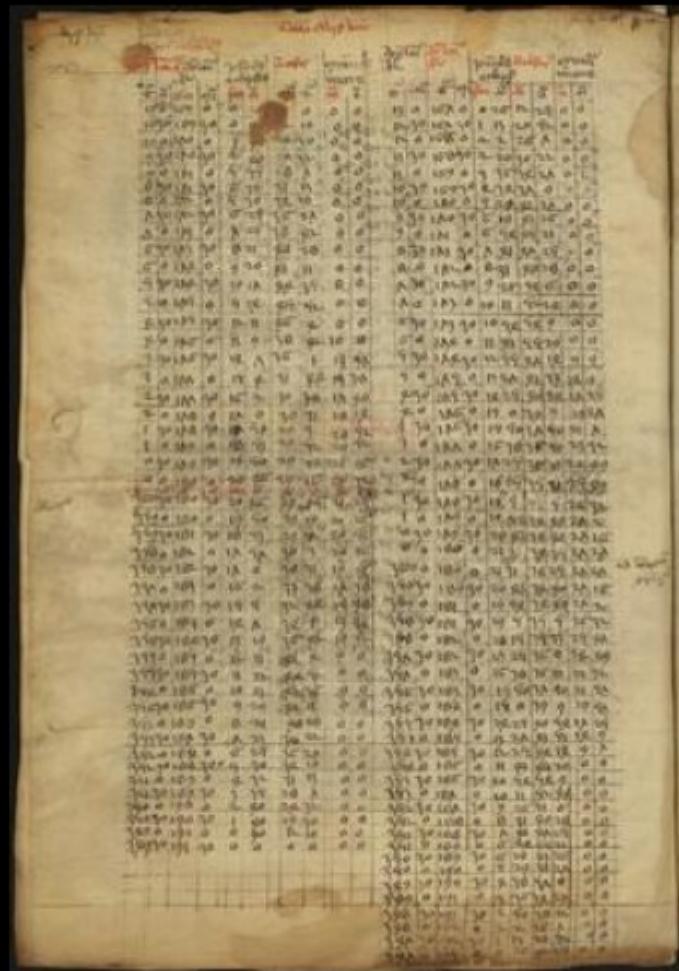


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Compiled in Toledo ca. 1252, financed by Alfonso X.

50 astronomer collaboration, led by Isaac ibn Sid.

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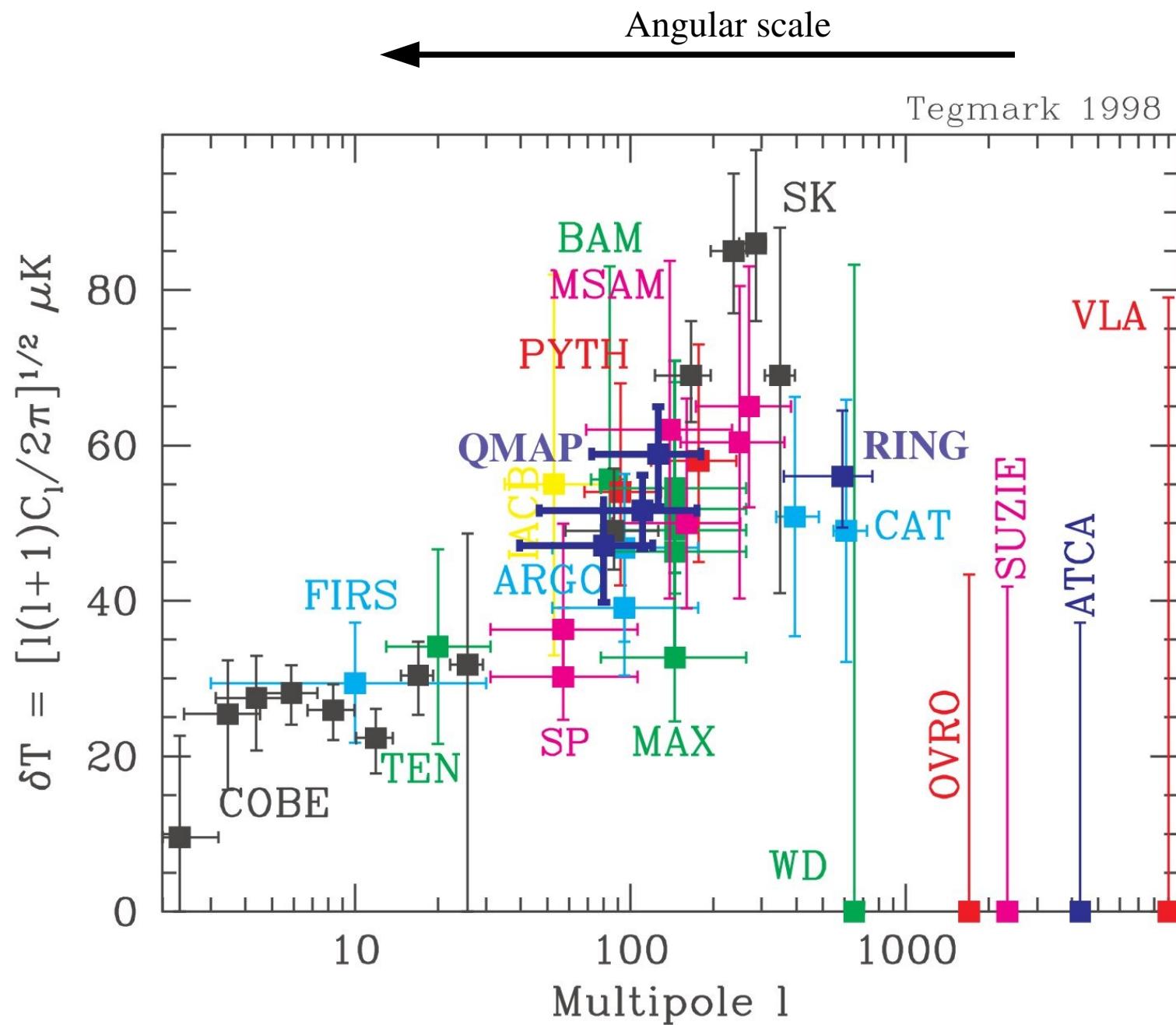


"If the Lord Almighty had consulted me before embarking on creation thus, I should have recommended something simpler."

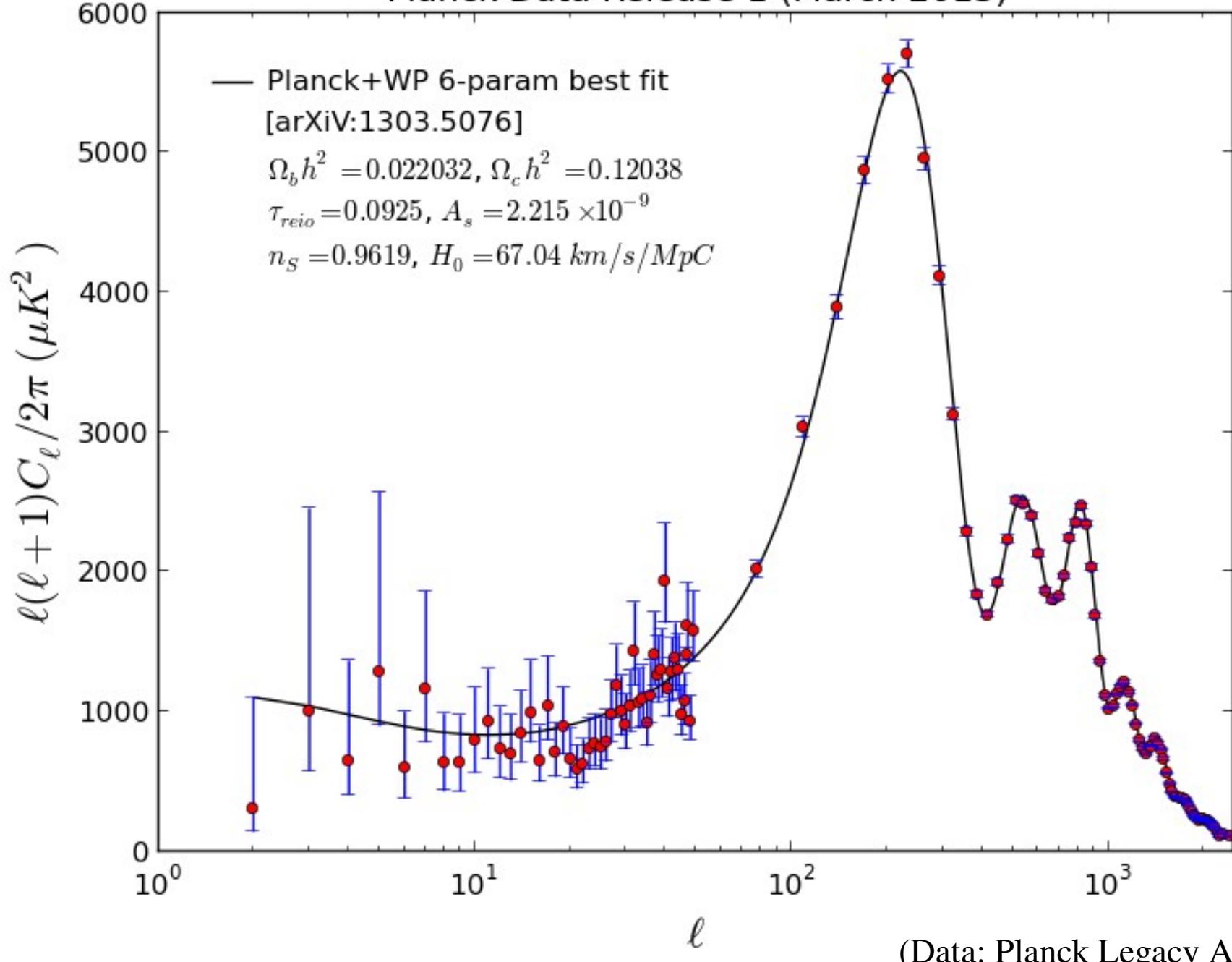
Alfonso X of Castile (r. 1252–84) on the Ptolemaic system



# The CMB Angular Power Spectrum (1998)



# Planck Data Release 1 (March 2013)

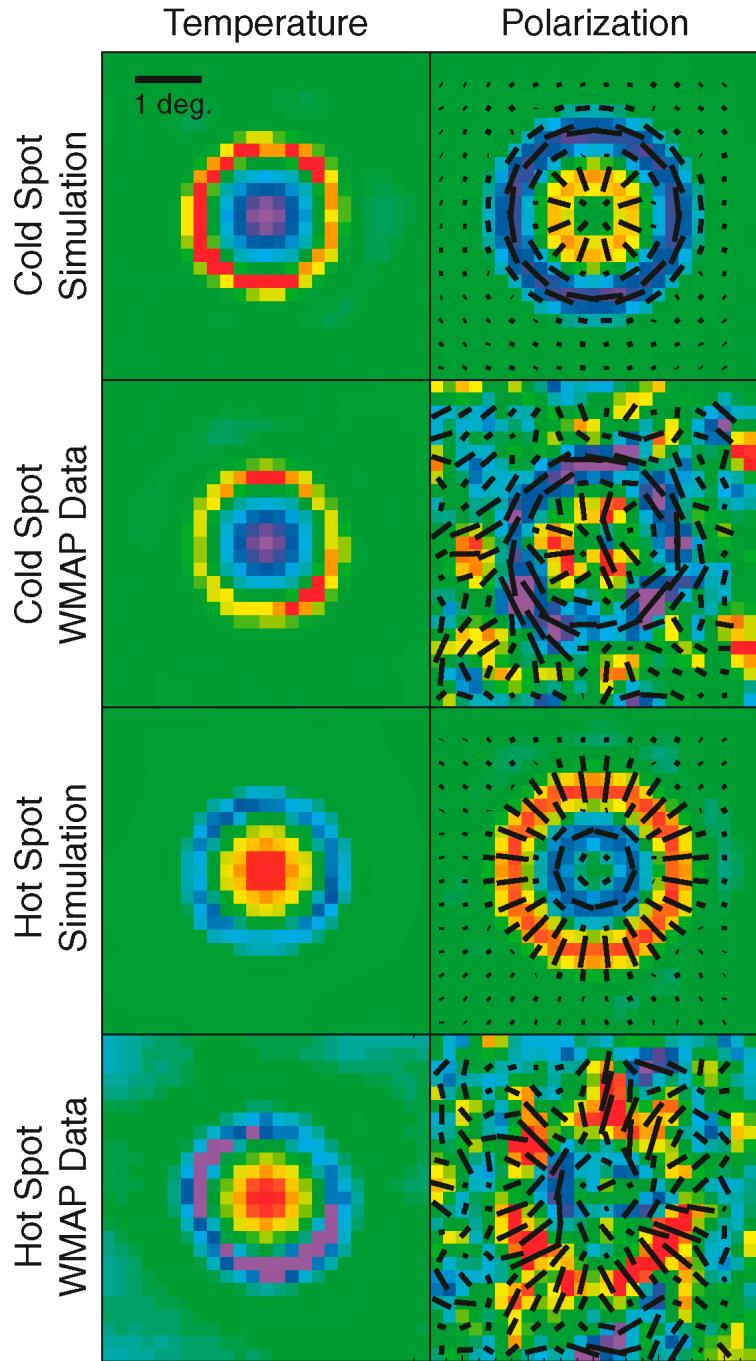


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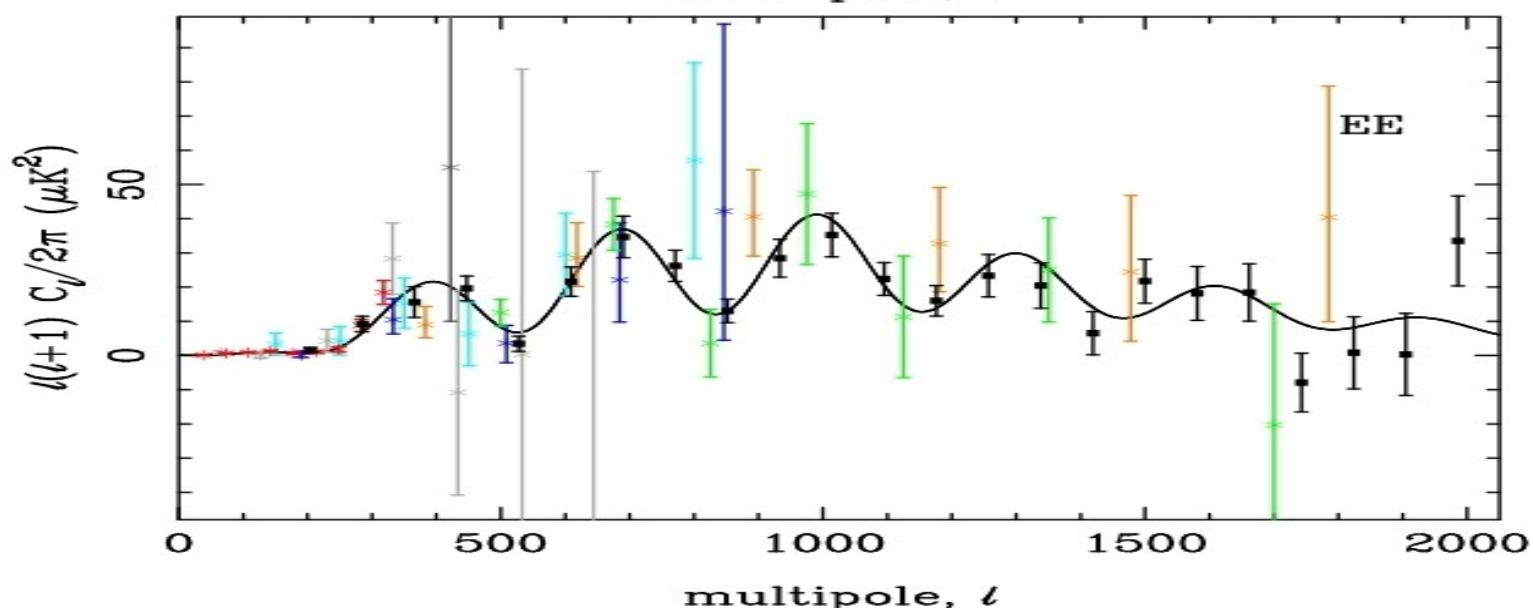
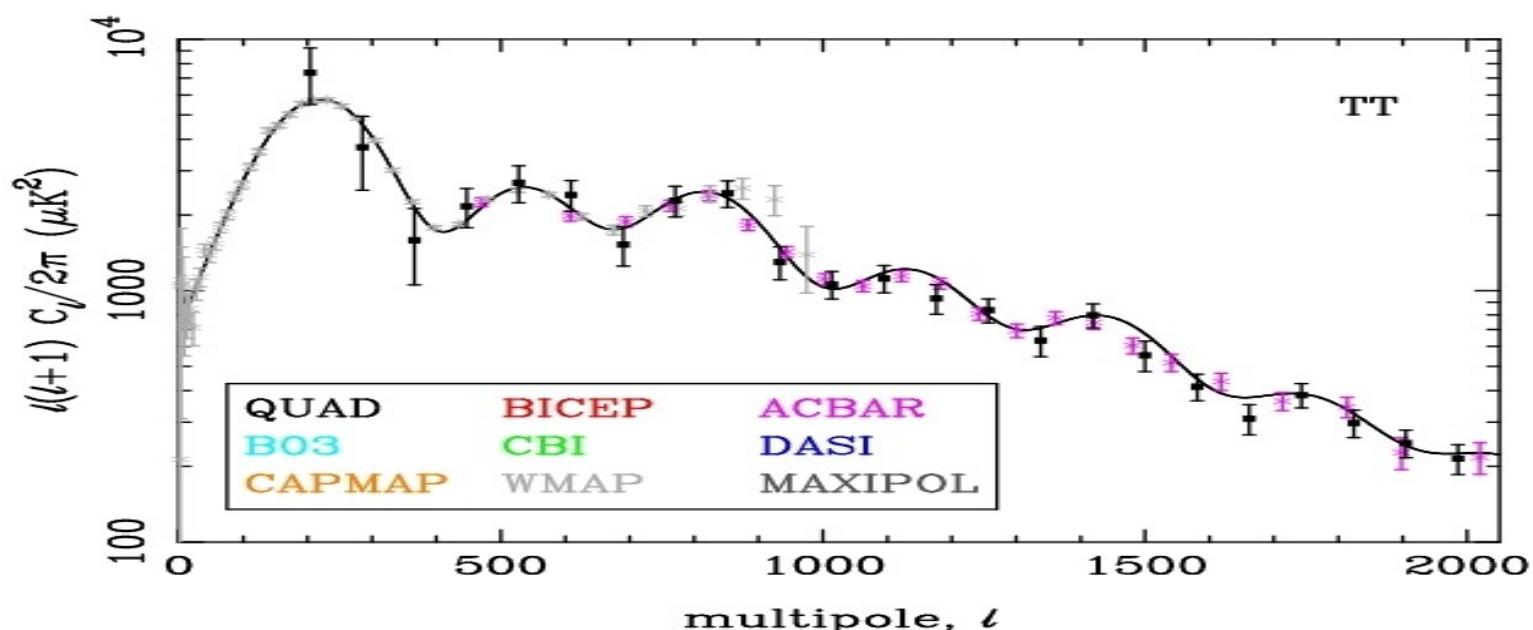
# Polarization: Test of Adiabaticity



Polarization strongest along  
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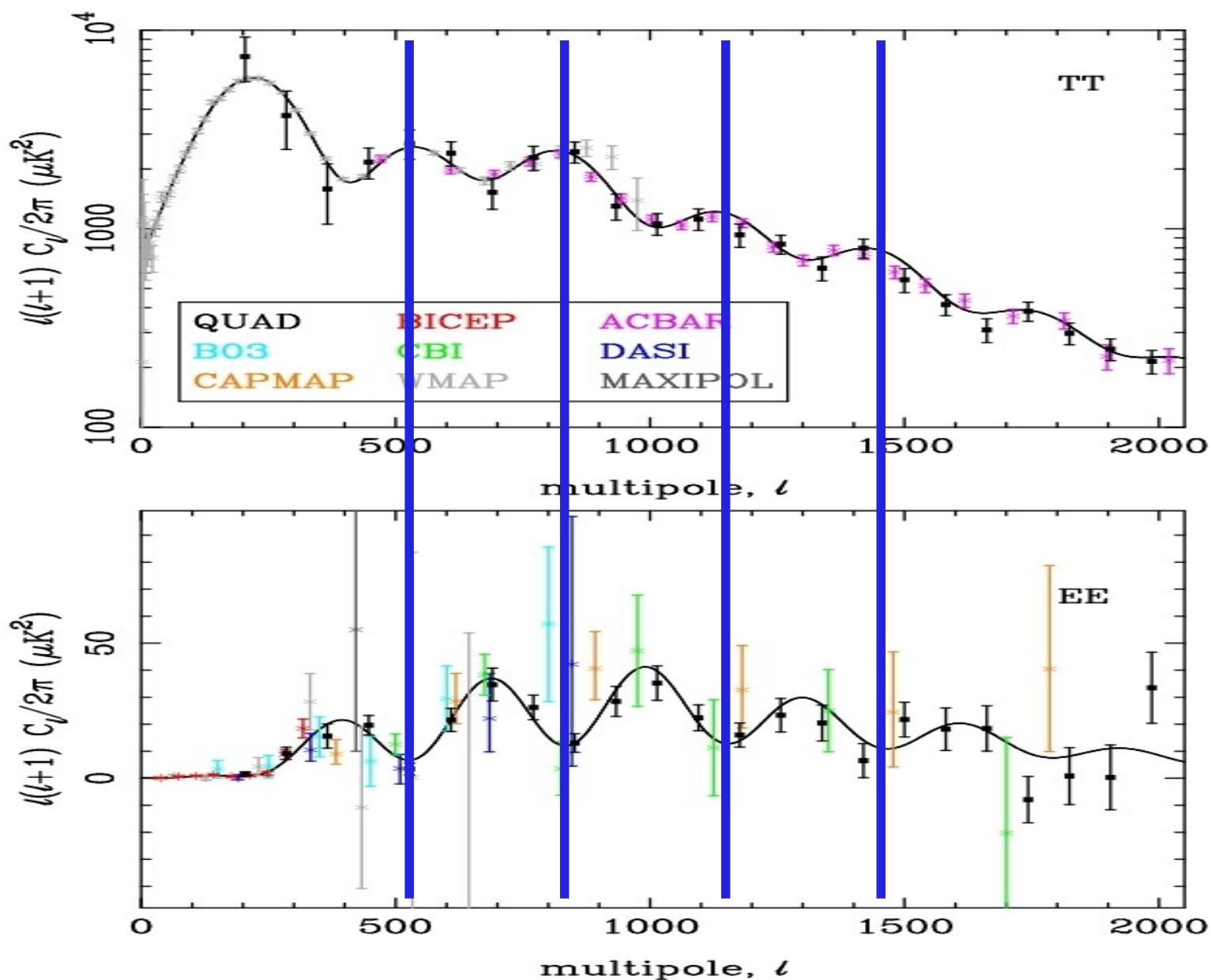
(Komatsu, *et al.*, arXiv:0912.0522)

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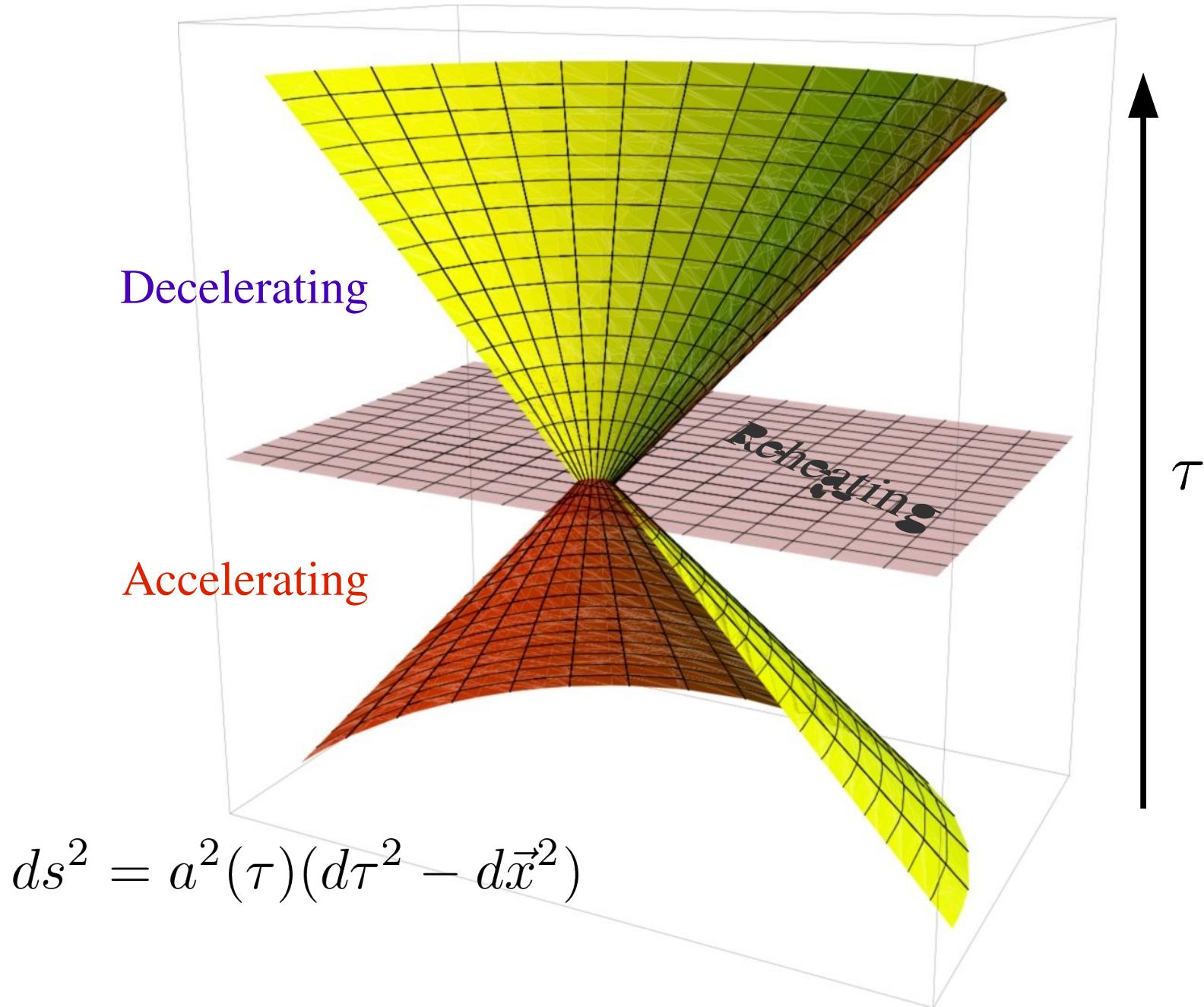


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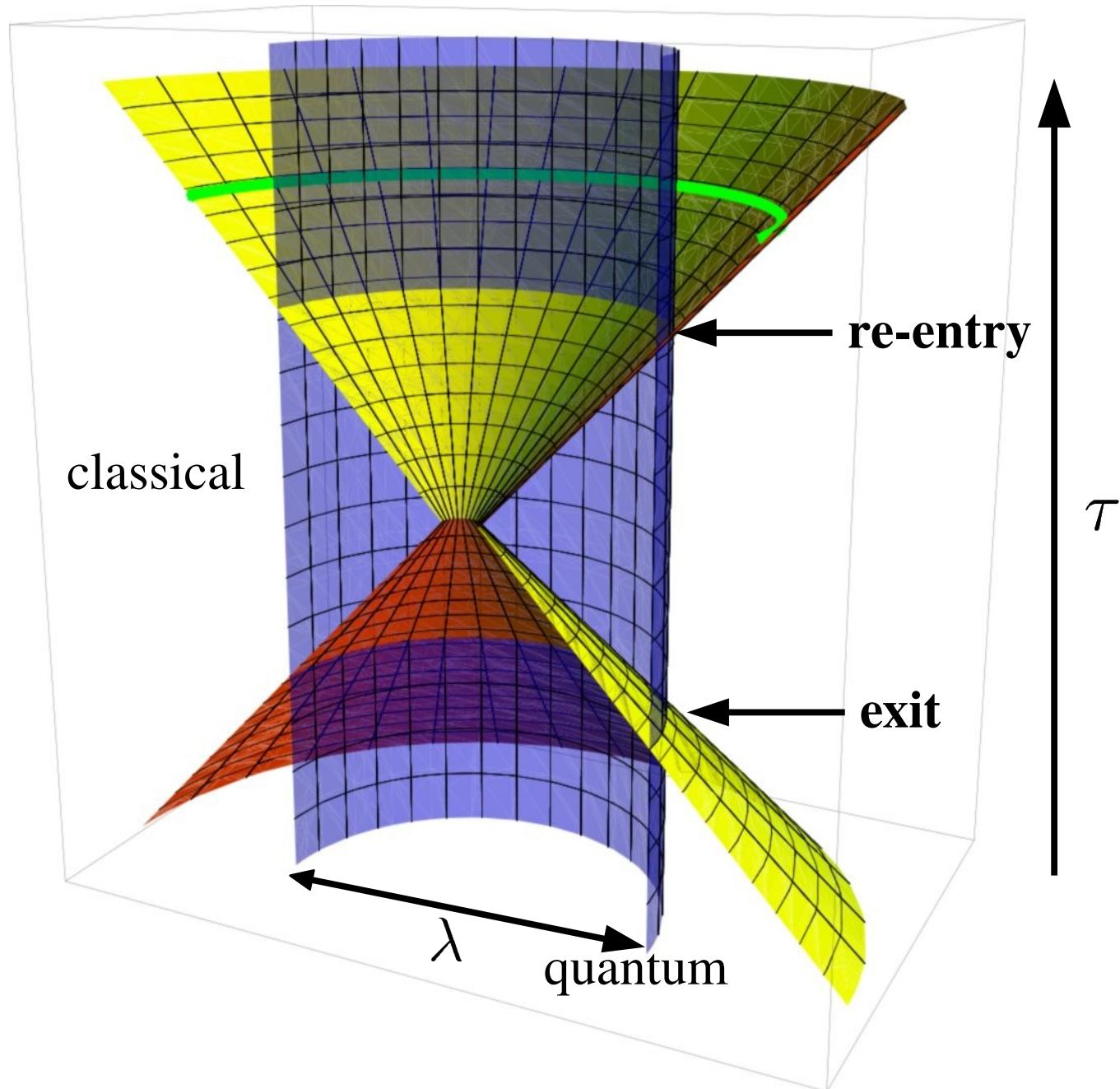
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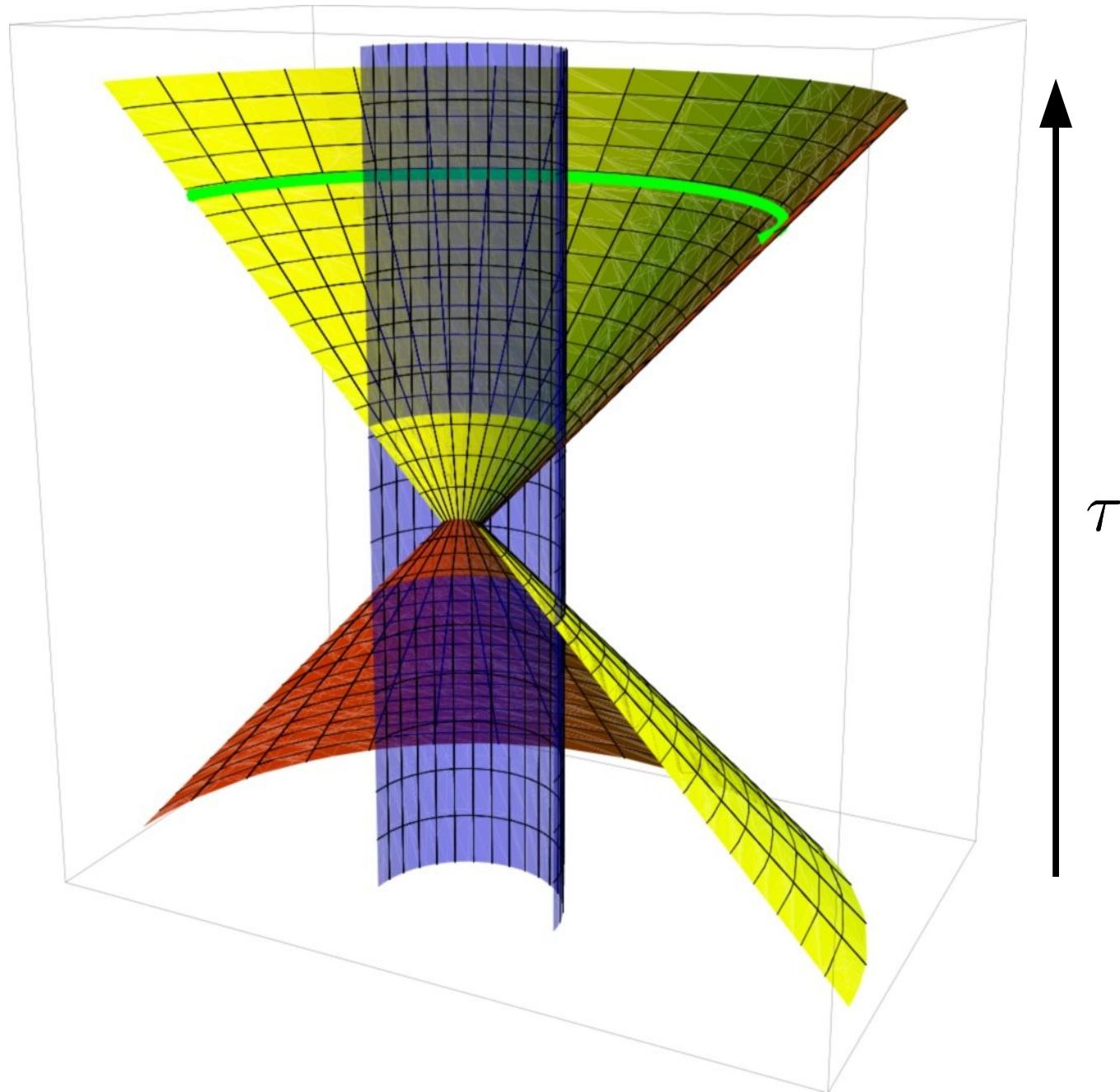
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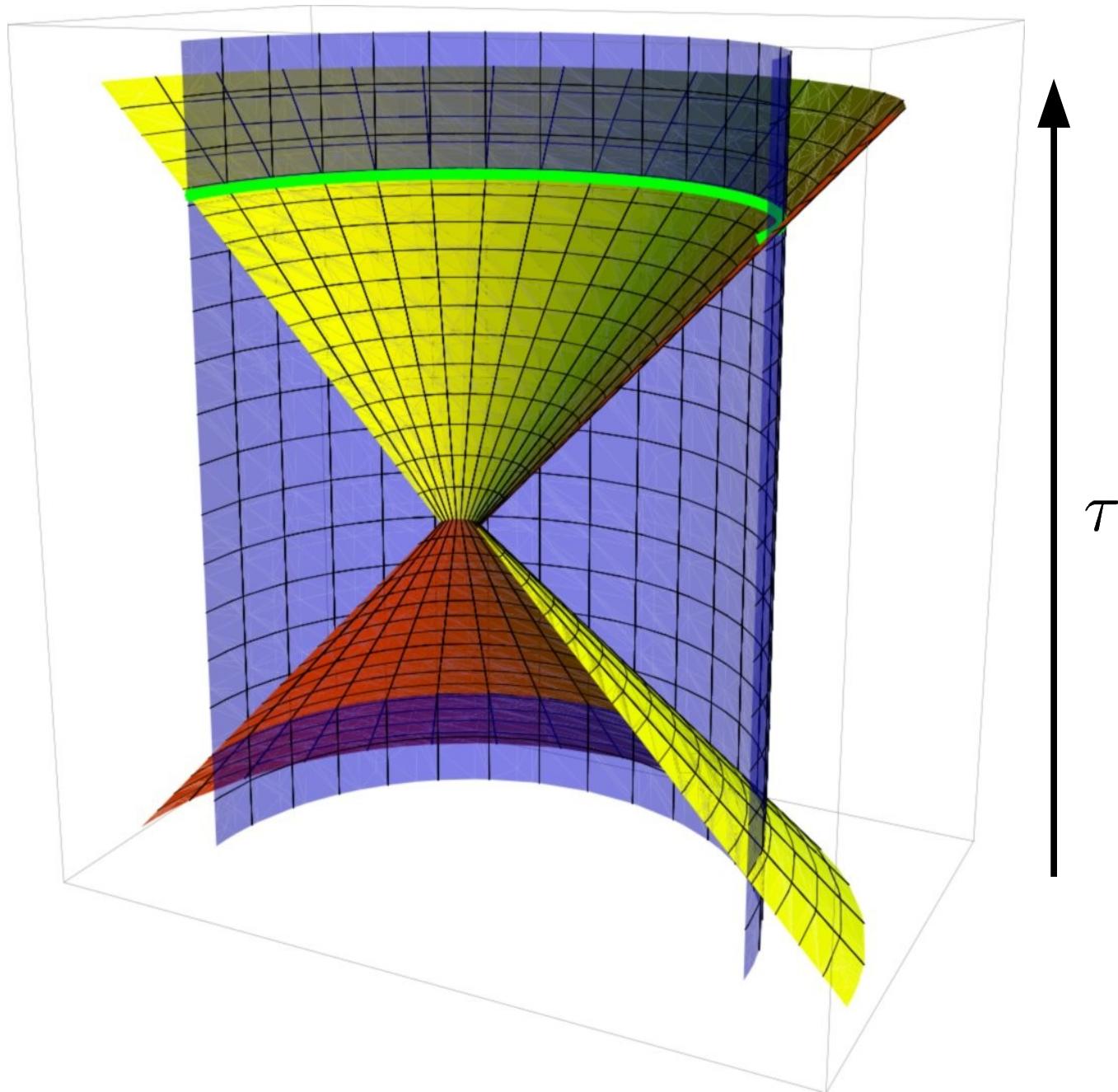
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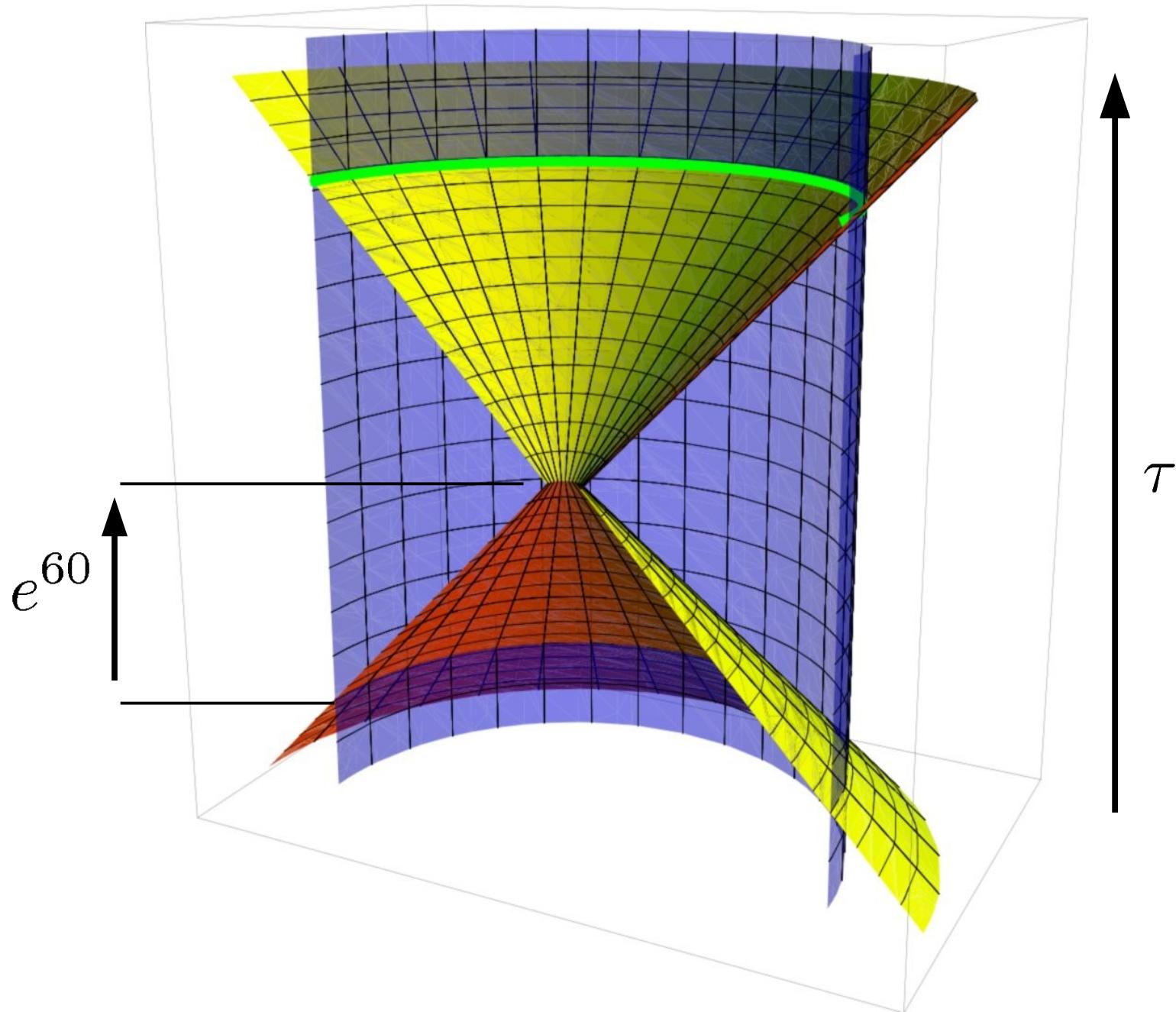
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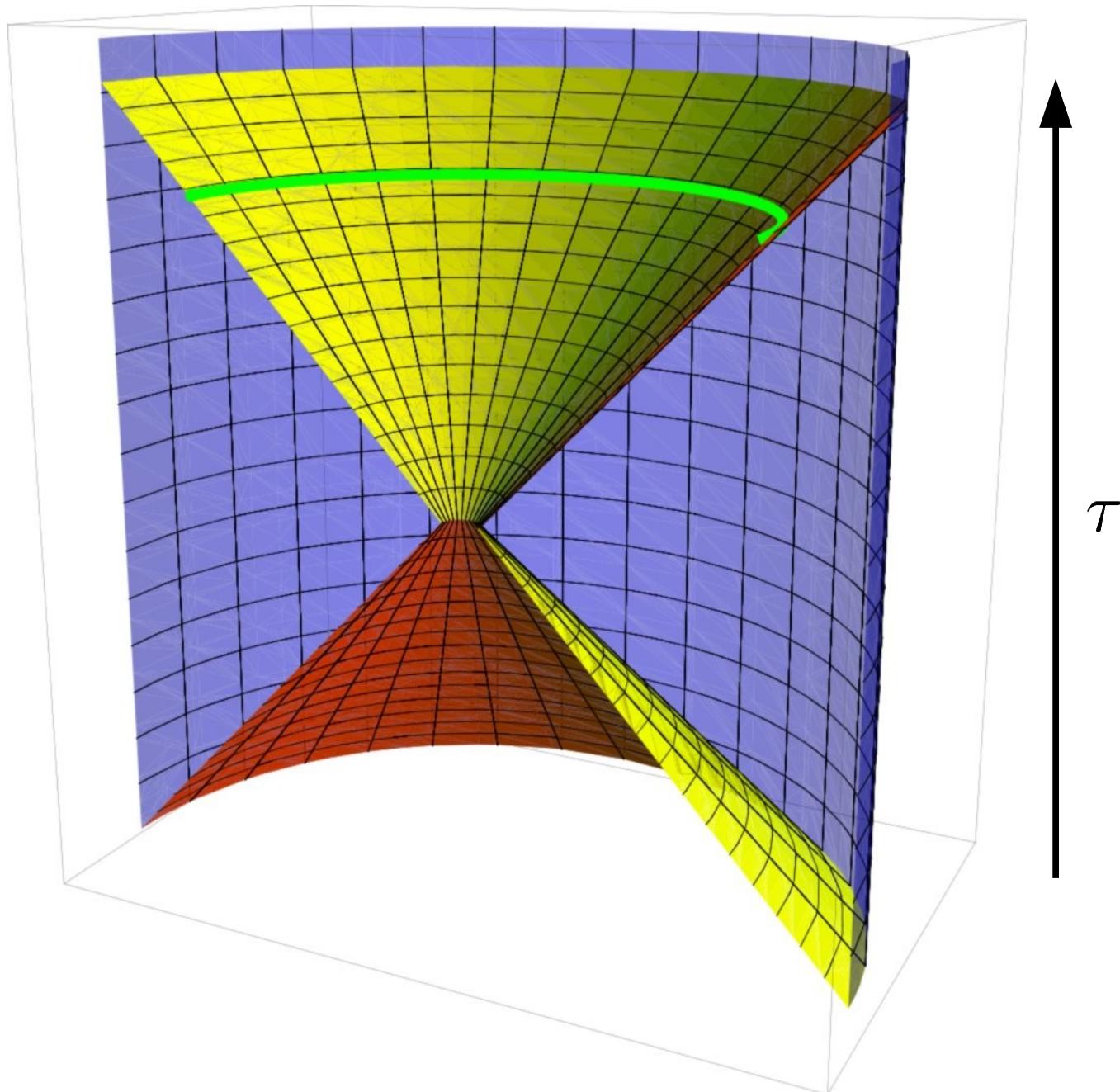
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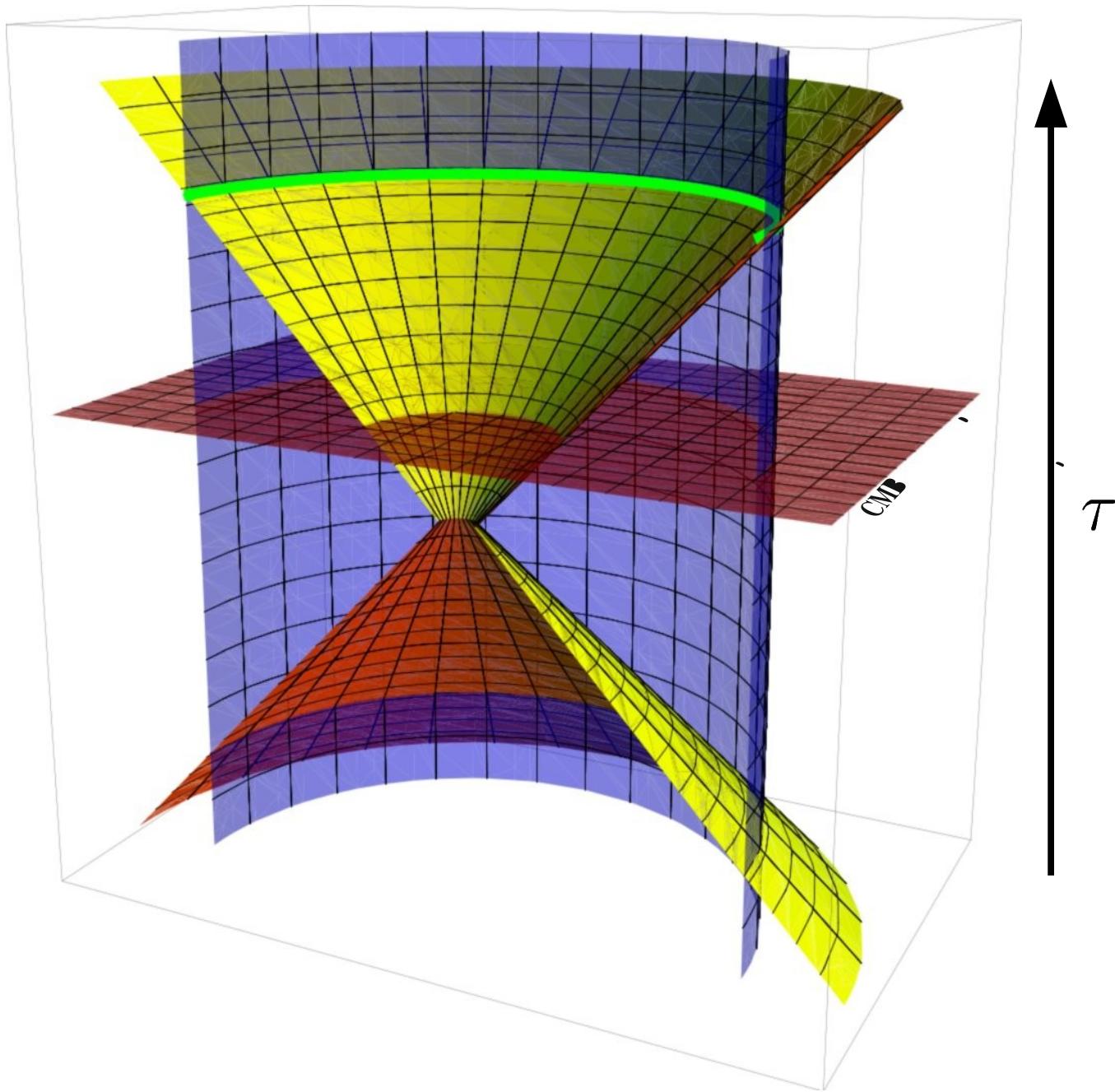
# We See The *Last* 60 E-folds



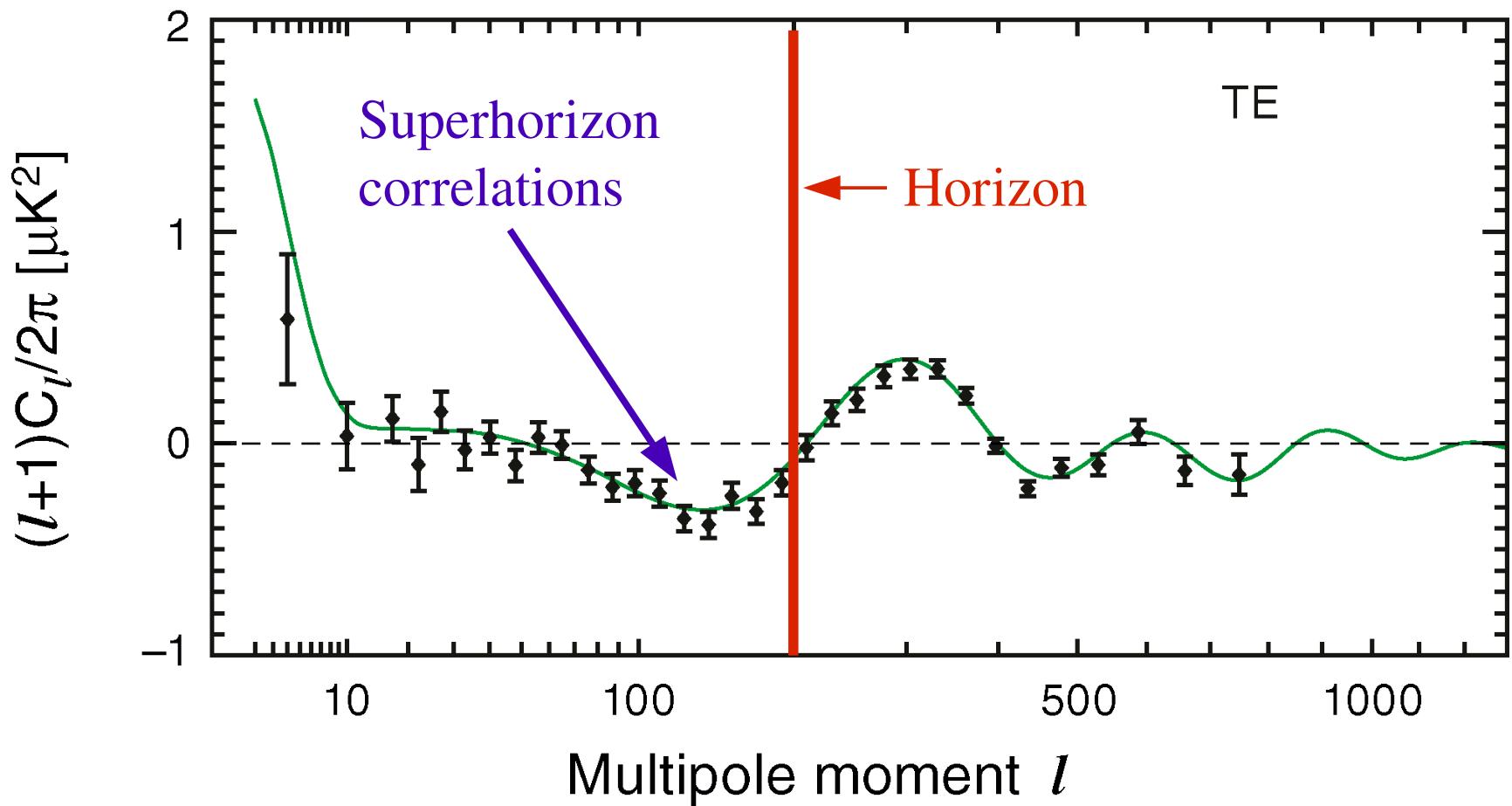
## Initial Conditions: Inaccessible



# Superhorizon Perturbations



# Large-Scale CMB Polarization (WMAP7)



(Figure: NASA/WMAP science team)

# Generating Superhorizon Perturbations

In an *expanding universe*, to generate perturbations consistent with observation, must have one of:

- (1) Accelerated Expansion
- (2) Superluminal Sound Speed
- (3) Super-Planckian Energy Density

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## Non-Canonical Lagrangians

Lagrangian with arbitrary kinetic term:

$$\mathcal{L} = F(X, \phi) - V(\phi) \quad X \equiv \frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \textcolor{red}{G^{\mu\nu}} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi - V(\phi)$$

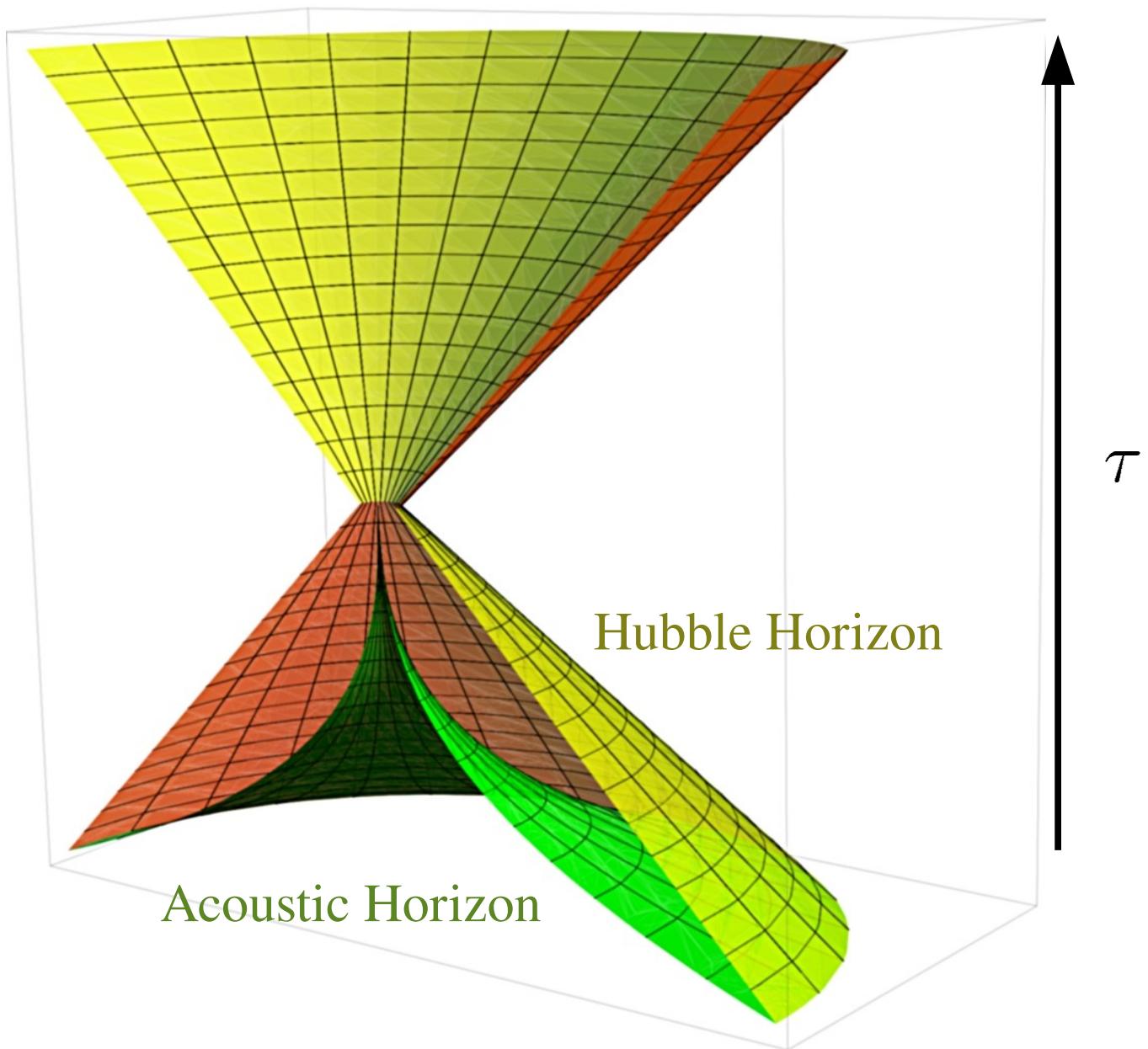
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Acoustic metric

Light cone:  $g^{\mu\nu} dx^\mu dx^\nu = 0$

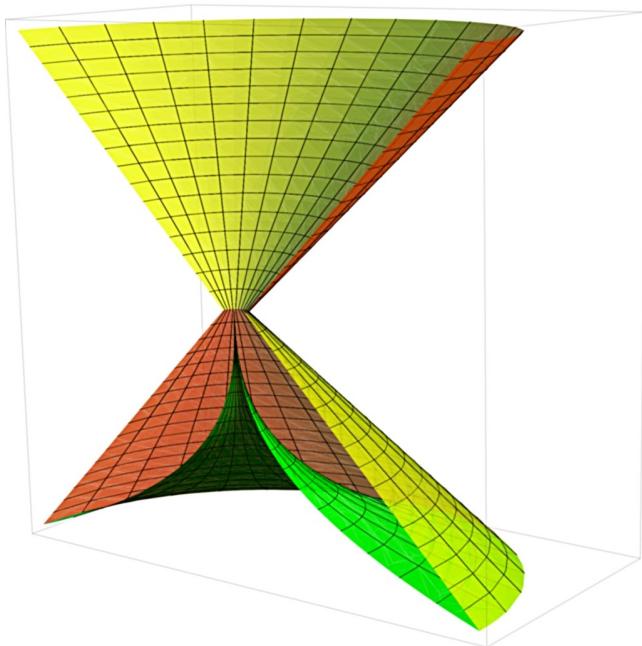
Two horizons!

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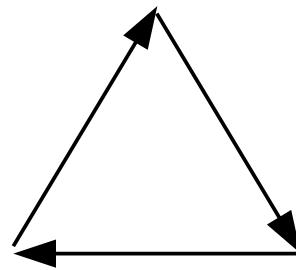
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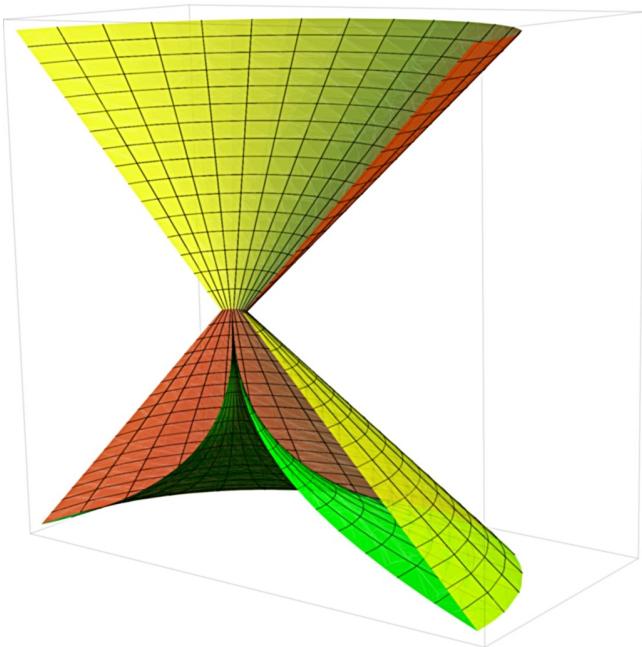


Signature: equilateral bispectrum

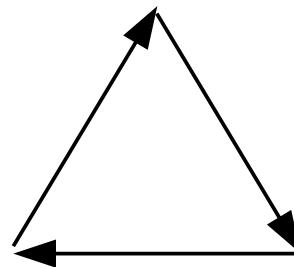


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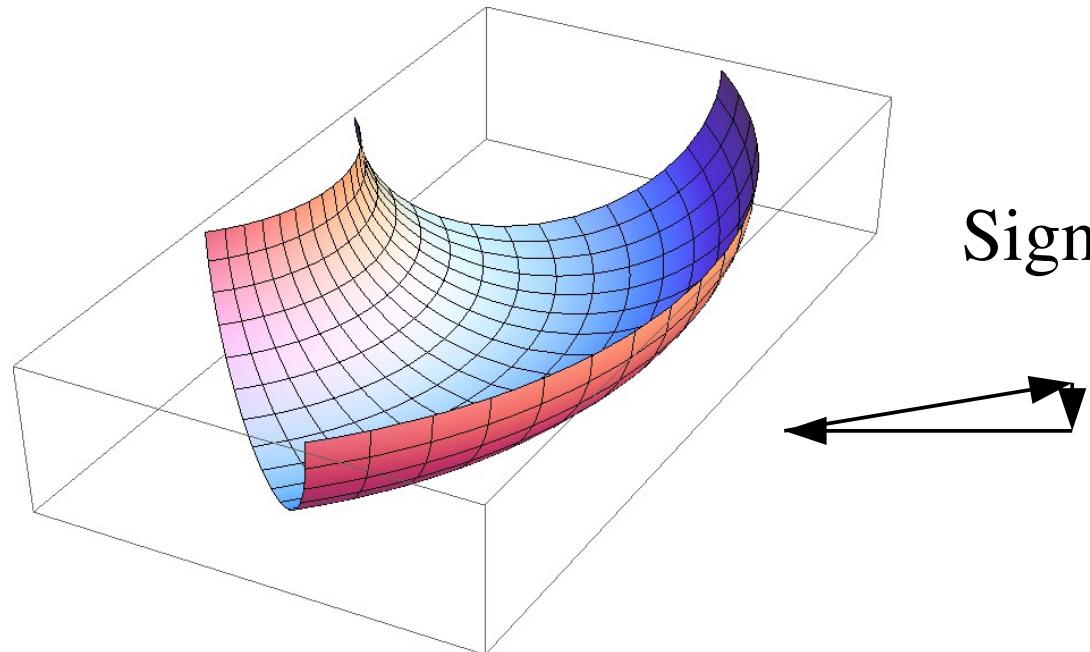


$$f_{NL} \sim c_S^{-2}$$

Planck:  $f_{NL}^{\text{equil}} = 42 \pm 75$

No evidence for non-canonical inflation

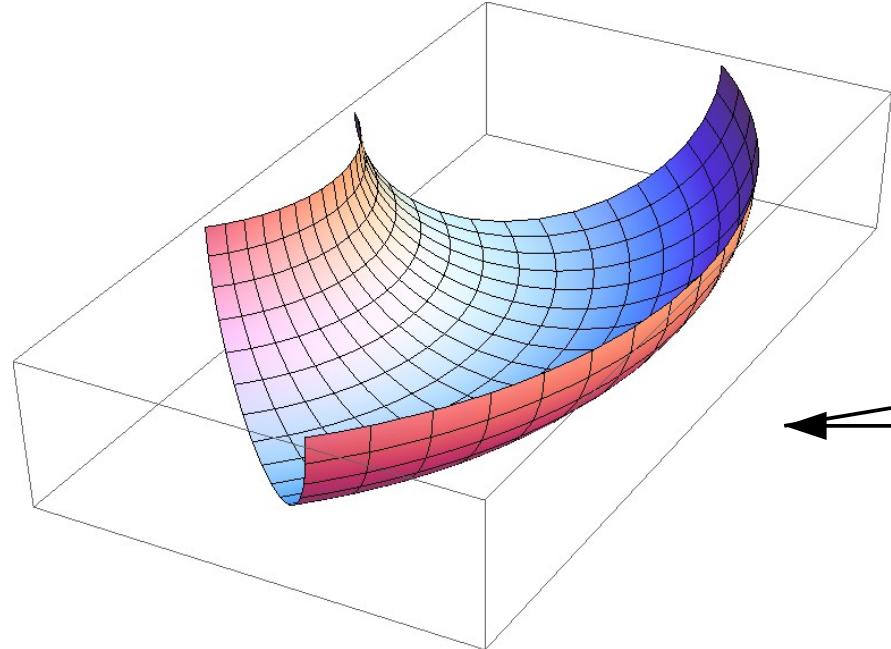
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$$\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}g^{\mu\nu}\partial_\mu\phi\partial_\nu\phi - V(\phi)$$

Fully consistent  
with data.

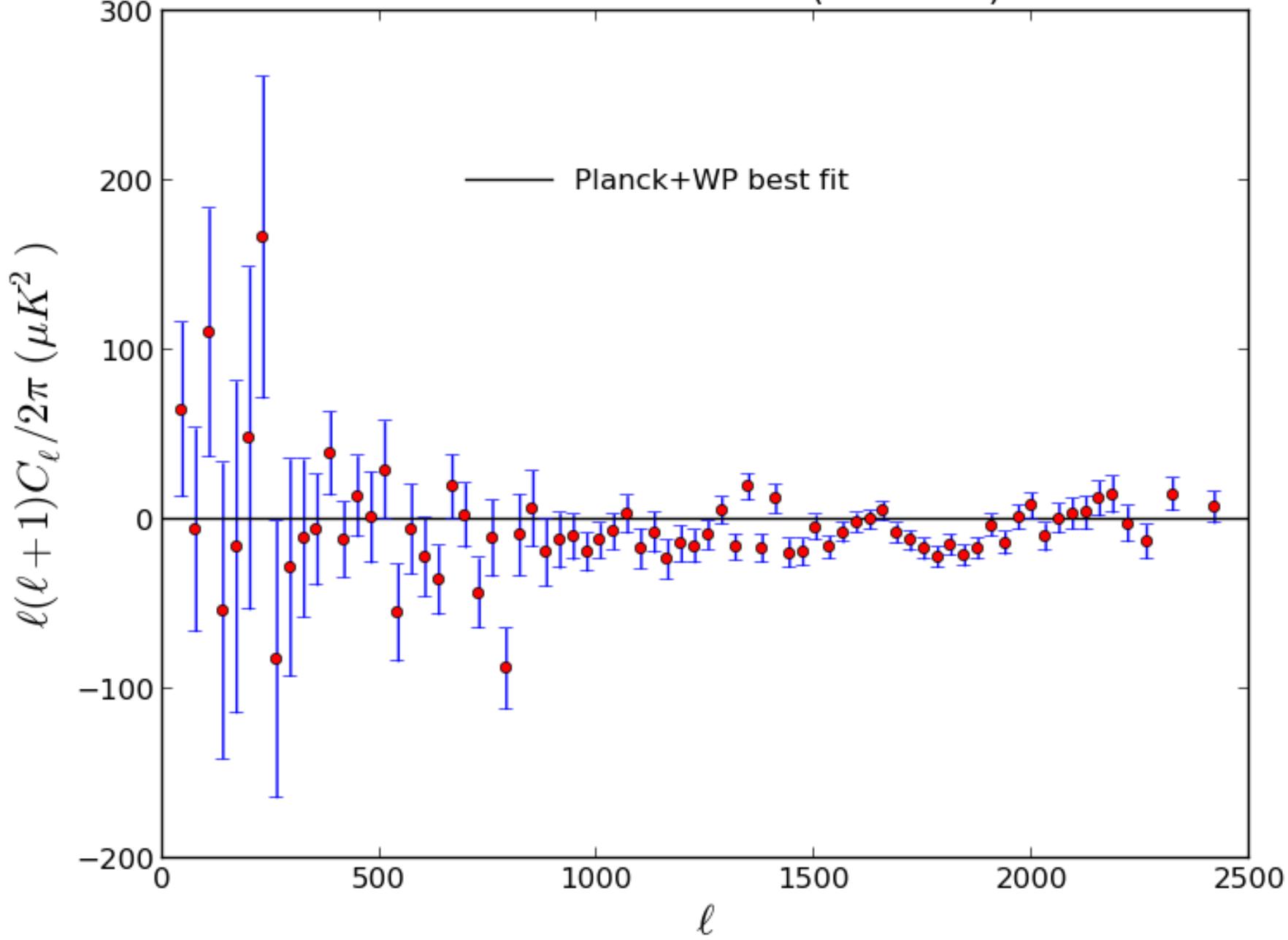
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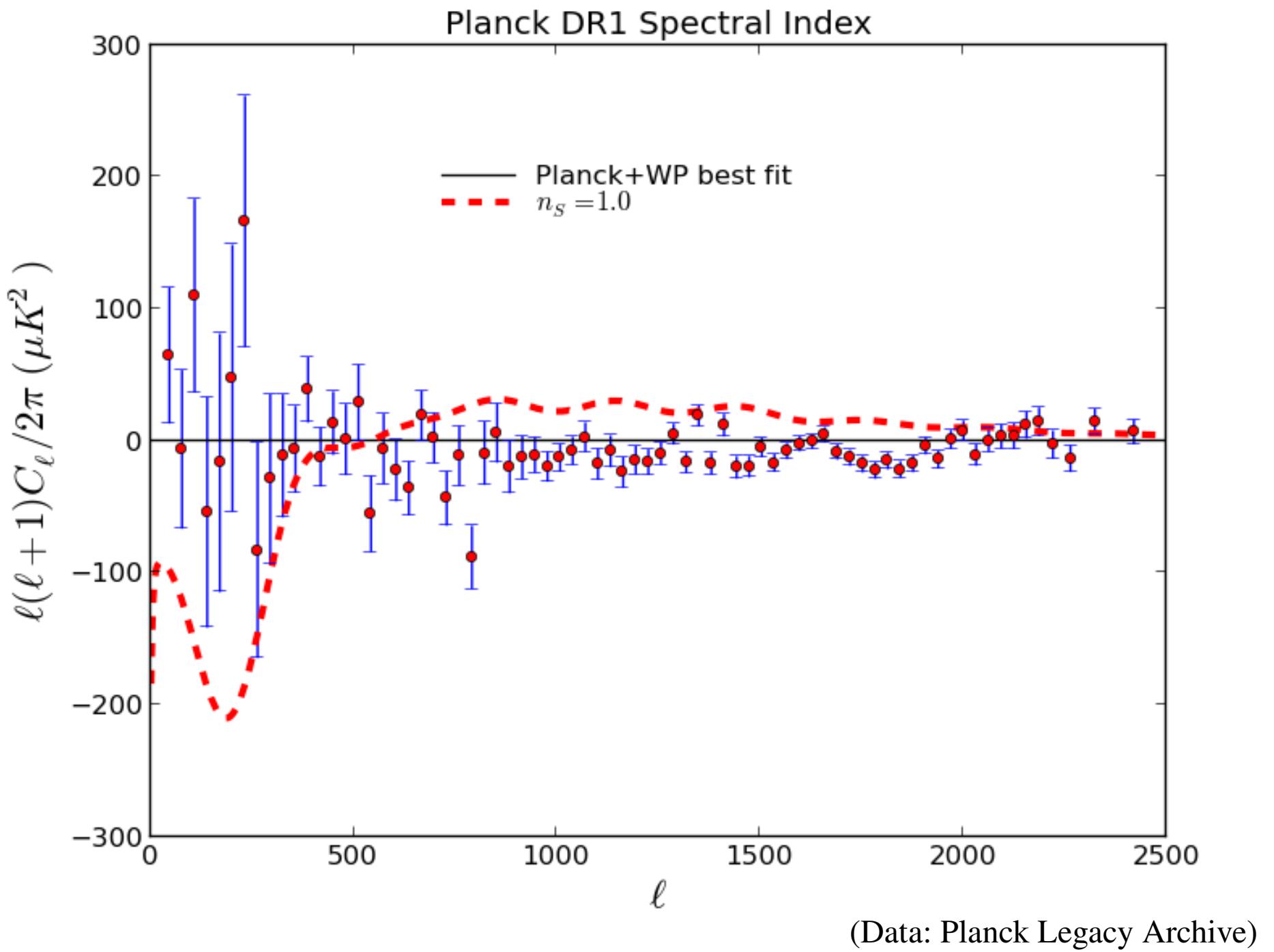
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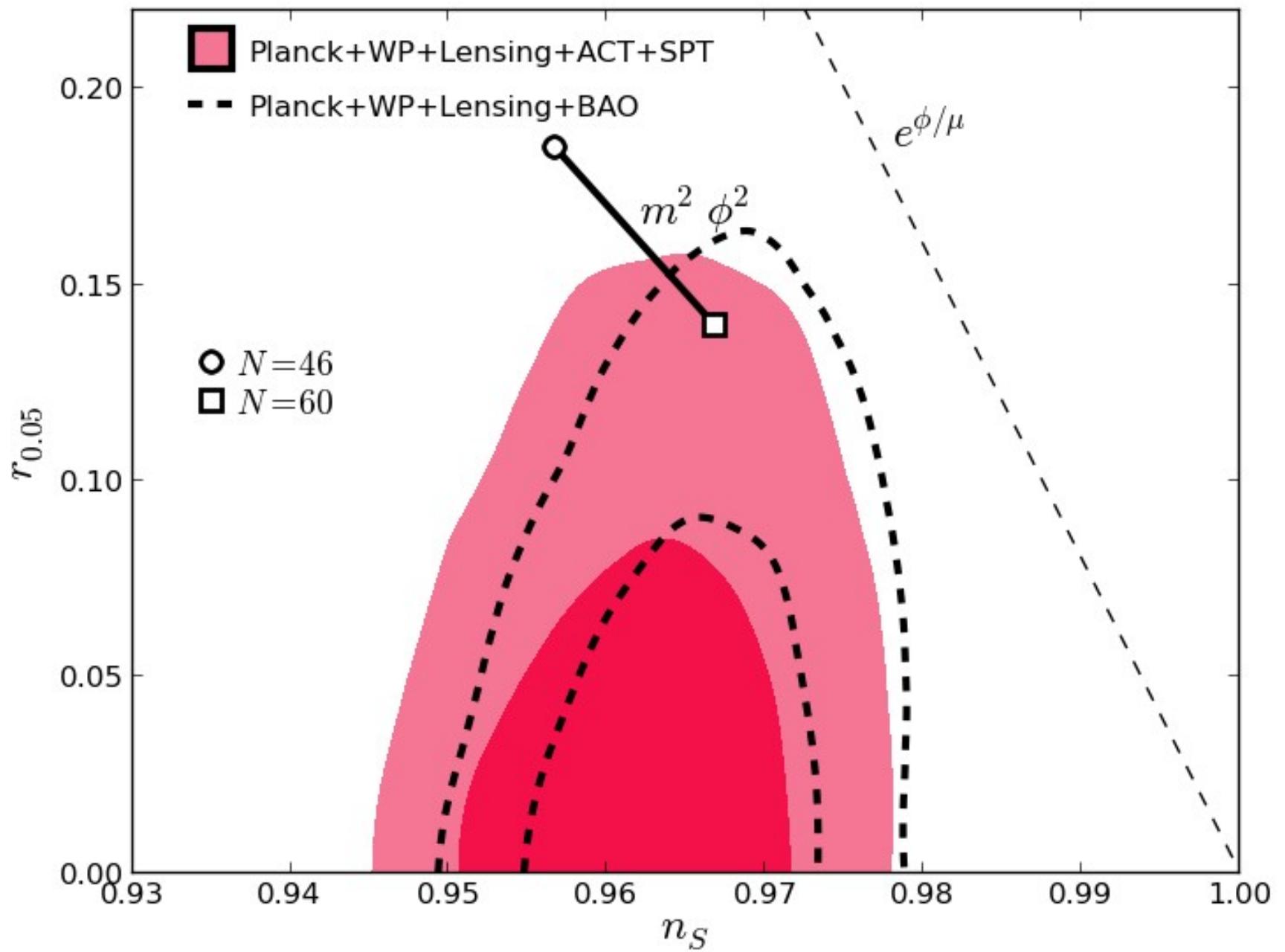
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# Planck Data Release 1 (Residuals)



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## Power-Law Inflation

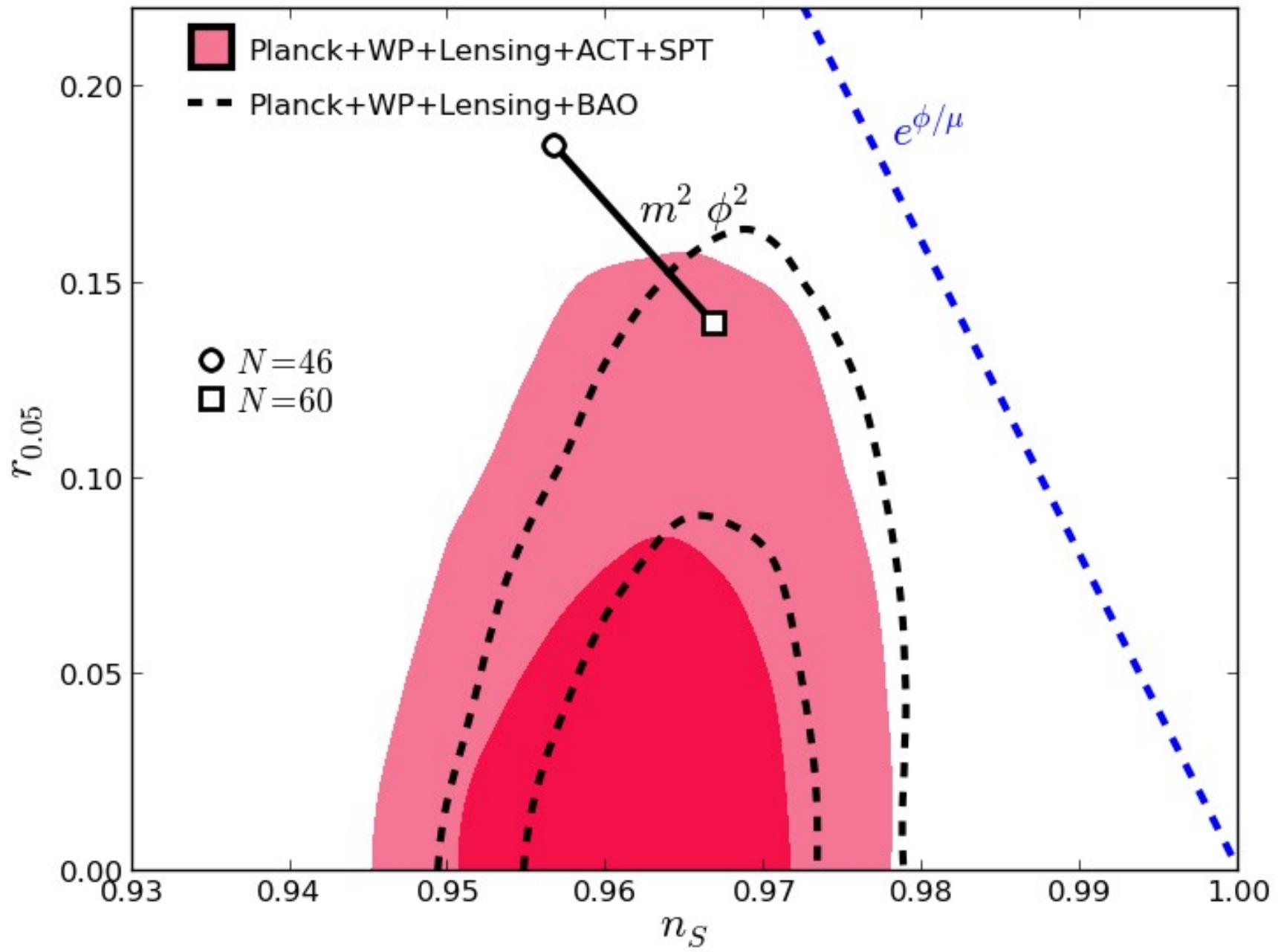
$$\epsilon = -\frac{\dot{H}}{H^2} = \frac{3(\rho + p)}{2\rho} = \text{const.} \quad a(t) \propto t^{1/\epsilon}$$

$$V(\phi) = \Lambda^4 \exp\left(\frac{\sqrt{2\epsilon}\phi}{M_P}\right)$$

Relation between  $n$  and  $r$ :

$$n - 1 = \frac{-2\epsilon}{1 - \epsilon} = \frac{-r}{8 - 2r}$$

# Constant Equation of State Excluded



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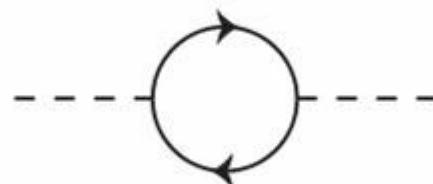
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## The $\eta$ Problem

Second slow roll parameter:

$$\eta \sim \frac{M_P^2}{2} \frac{V''(\phi)}{V(\phi)} \sim \frac{m_\phi^2 M_p^2}{V_0} \sim 10^{-2}$$

Radiative corrections:

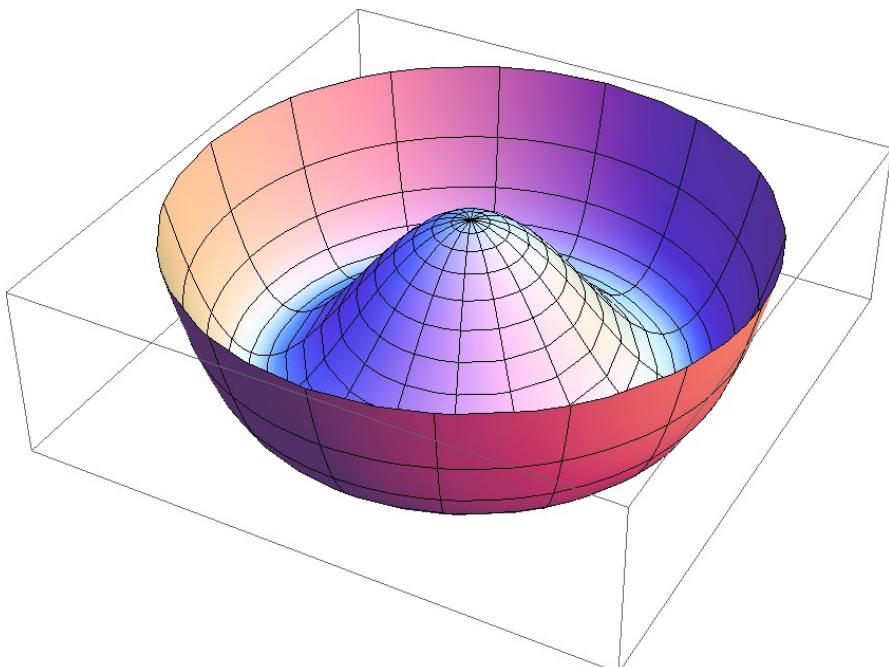

$$m_\phi^2 \sim H^2 \sim \frac{V_0}{M_P^2} \Rightarrow \eta \sim 1$$

## Shift Symmetries: Natural Inflation

Freese, Frieman & Olinto, hep-ph/9207245

The idea: introduce a weakly broken global symmetry which protects the mass term.

Shift symmetry:  $\mathcal{L}(\phi, \partial_\mu \phi) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(\phi + \text{const.}, \partial_\mu \phi)$



## Shift Symmetries: Natural Inflation

- Non-perturbative axion: Freese *et al.*, hep-ph/9207245

$$V(\phi) \propto \left[ 1 + \cos \left( \frac{\phi}{\mu} \right) \right]$$

- Chiral symmetry breaking: WHK, Mahanthappa, hep-ph/9503331

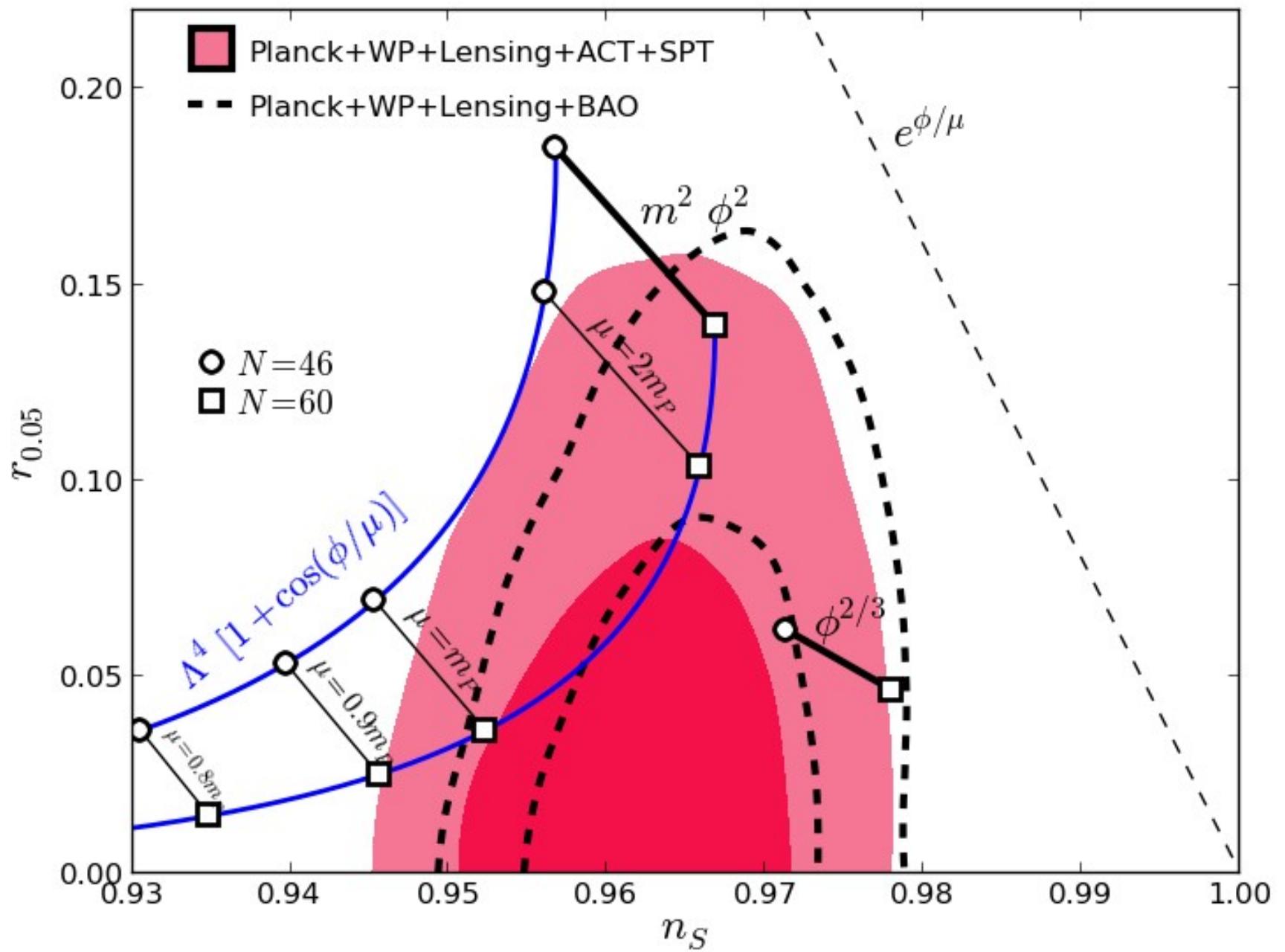
$$V(\phi) \propto [m_\psi^2(\phi)]^2 \ln [m_\psi^2(\phi)]$$

- Gauge symmetry breaking: WHK, Mahanthappa, hep-ph/9512241

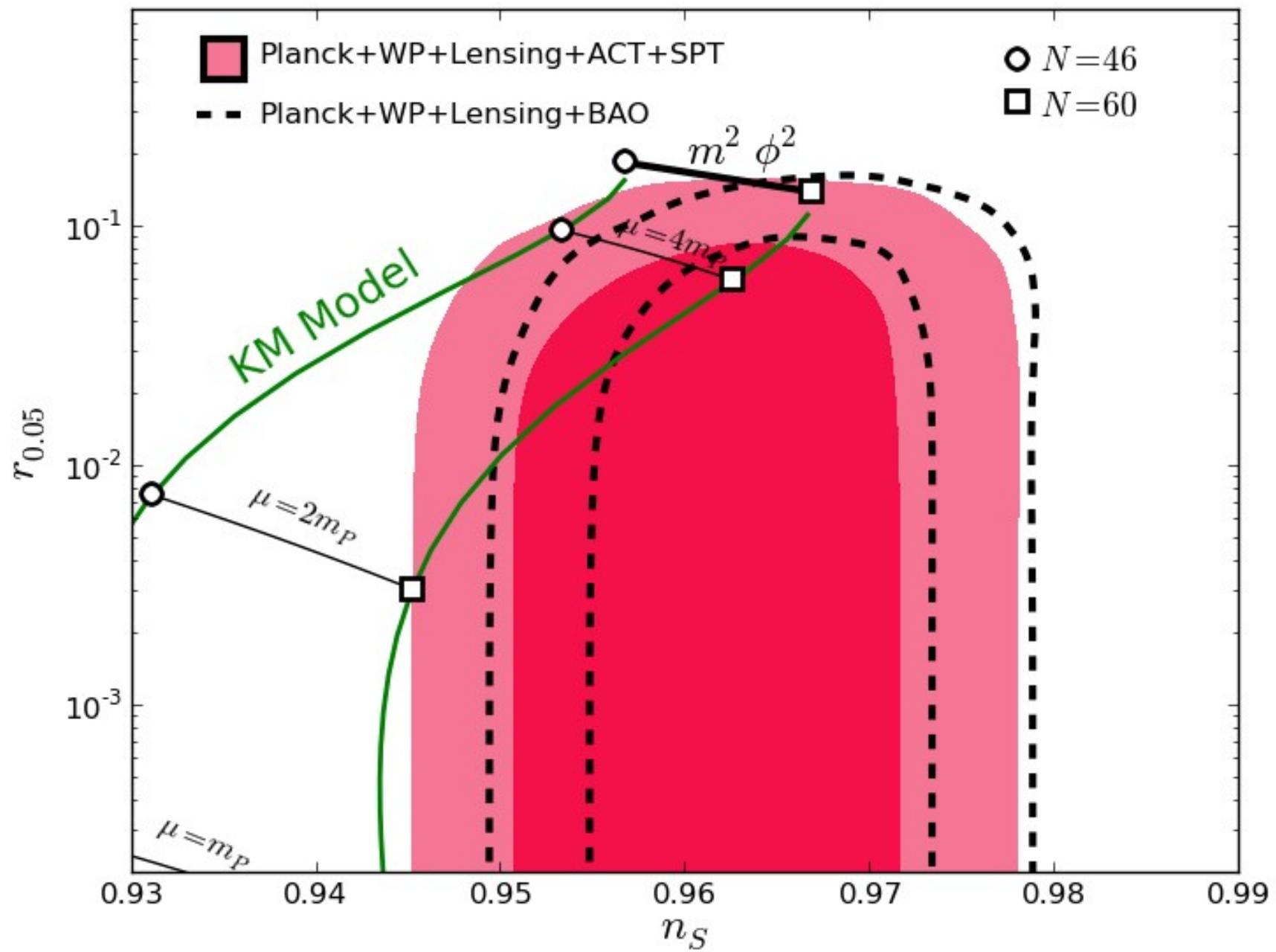
$$V(\phi) \propto \sin \left( \frac{\phi}{\mu} \right)^4 \ln \left[ \sin \left( \frac{\phi}{\mu} \right)^2 \right] \quad (\text{KM Model})$$

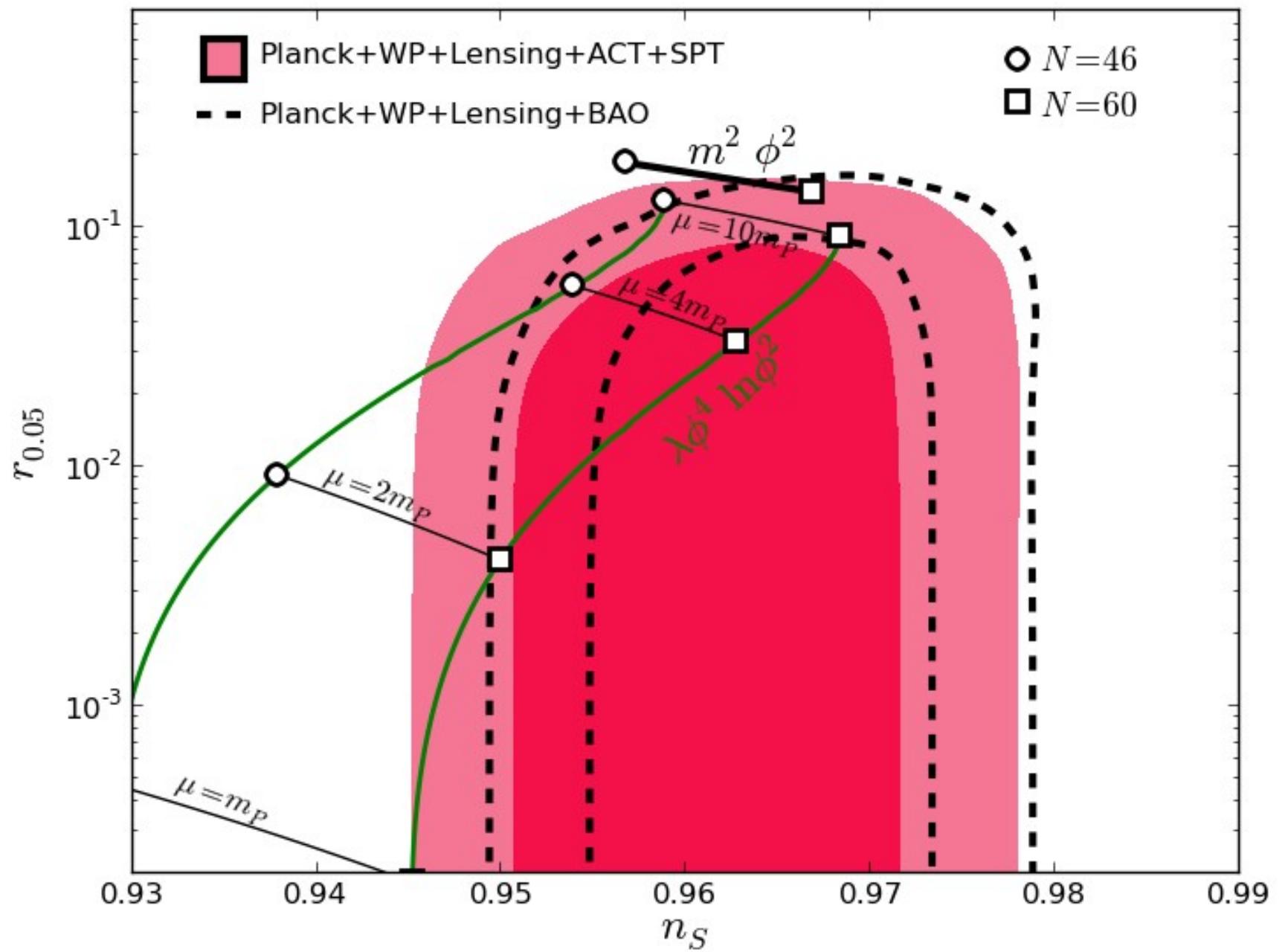
- Axion Monodromy: Silverstein, *et al.*, arXiv:0803.3085

$$V(\phi) \propto \phi^{2/3}$$



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## Natural Inflation and Effective Field Theory

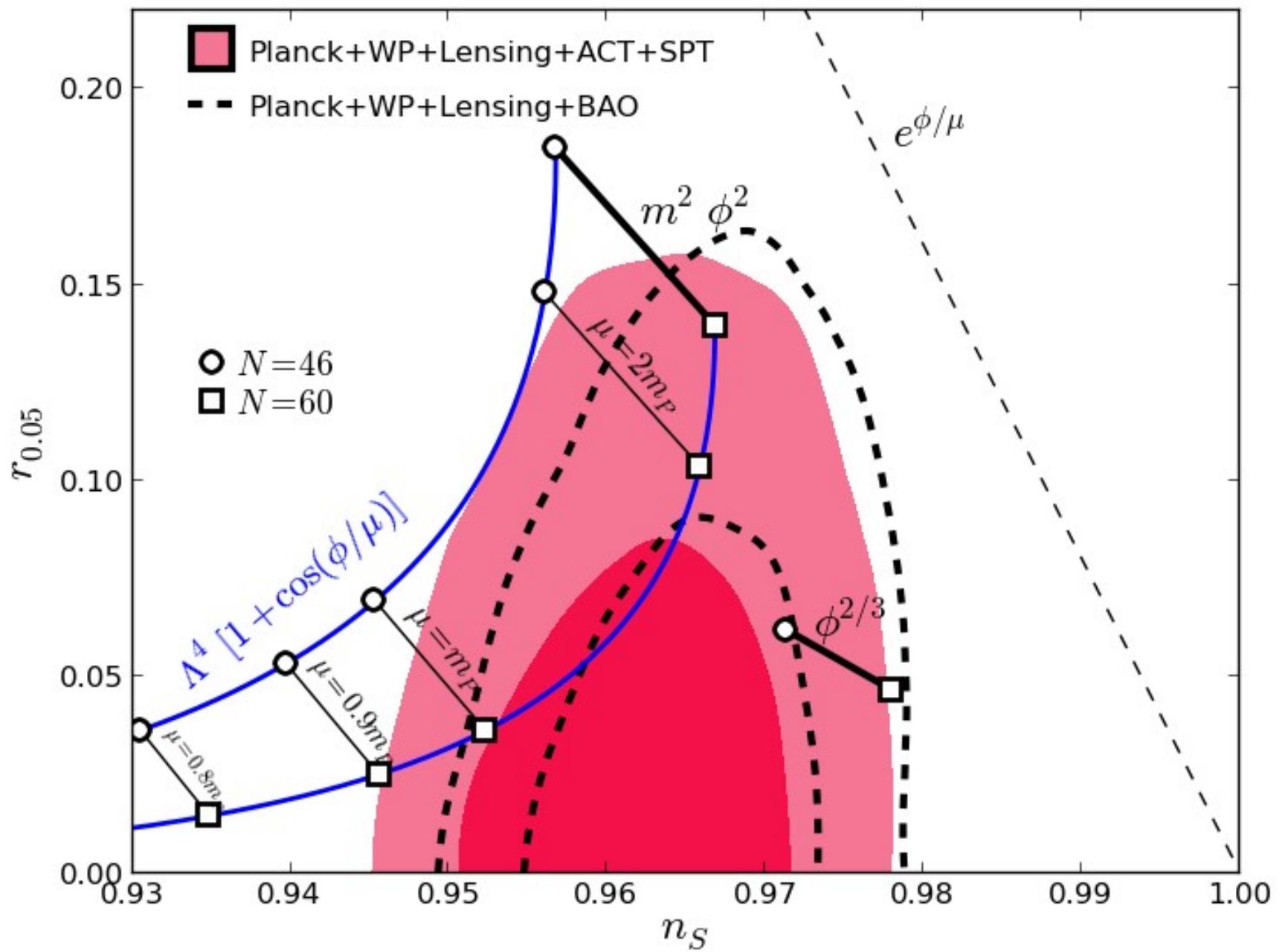
Effective potential suppressed by mass scale  $\mu$

$$V(\phi) = V_0 - \sum_p \lambda_p \left( \frac{\phi}{\mu} \right)^p$$

Lowest-order term *always* dominates near origin:

$$p = 2 : V(\phi) \simeq V_0 - m^2 \phi^2 + \dots$$

$$p = 4 : V(\phi) \simeq V_0 - \lambda \phi^4 + \dots$$



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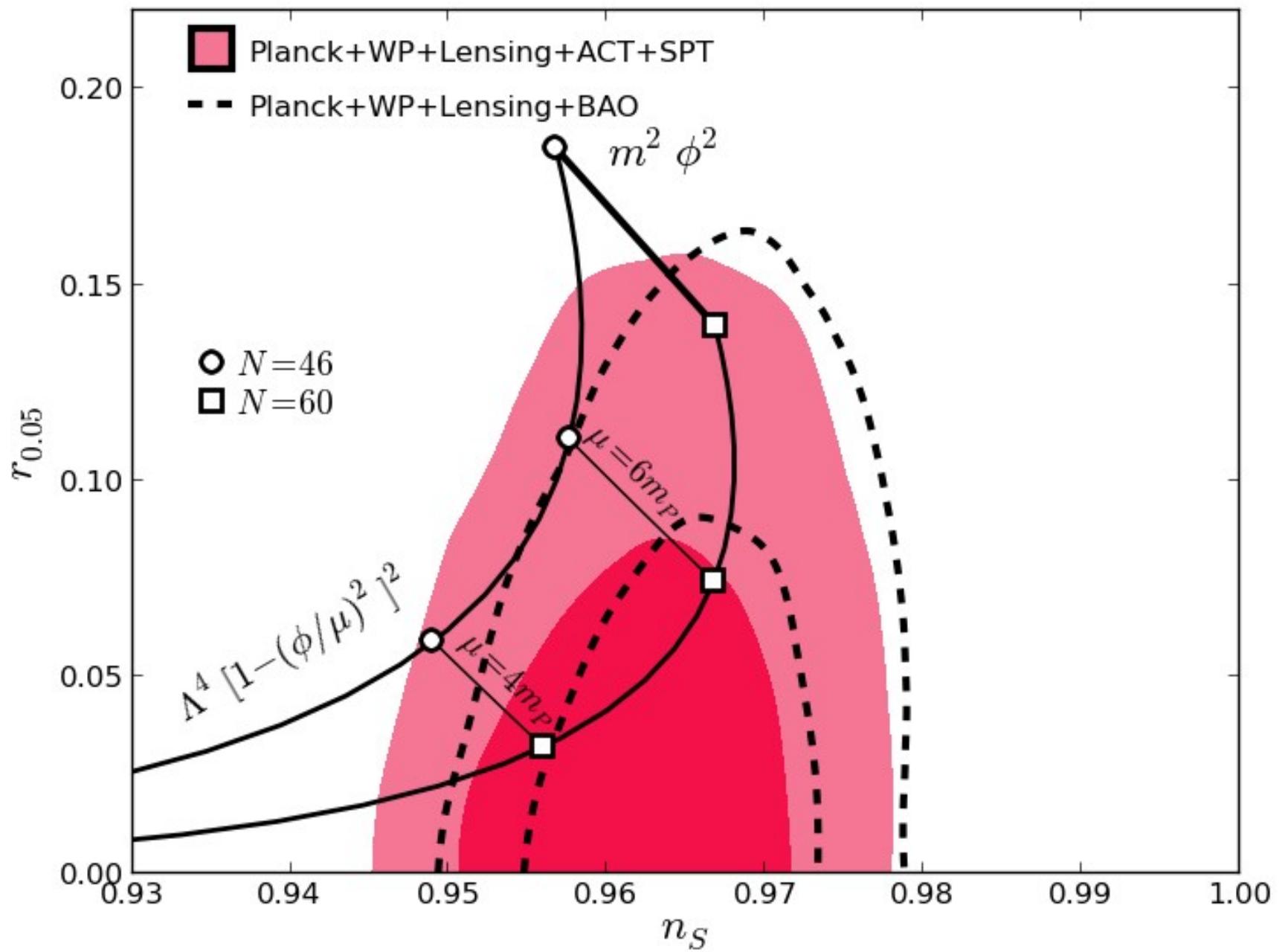
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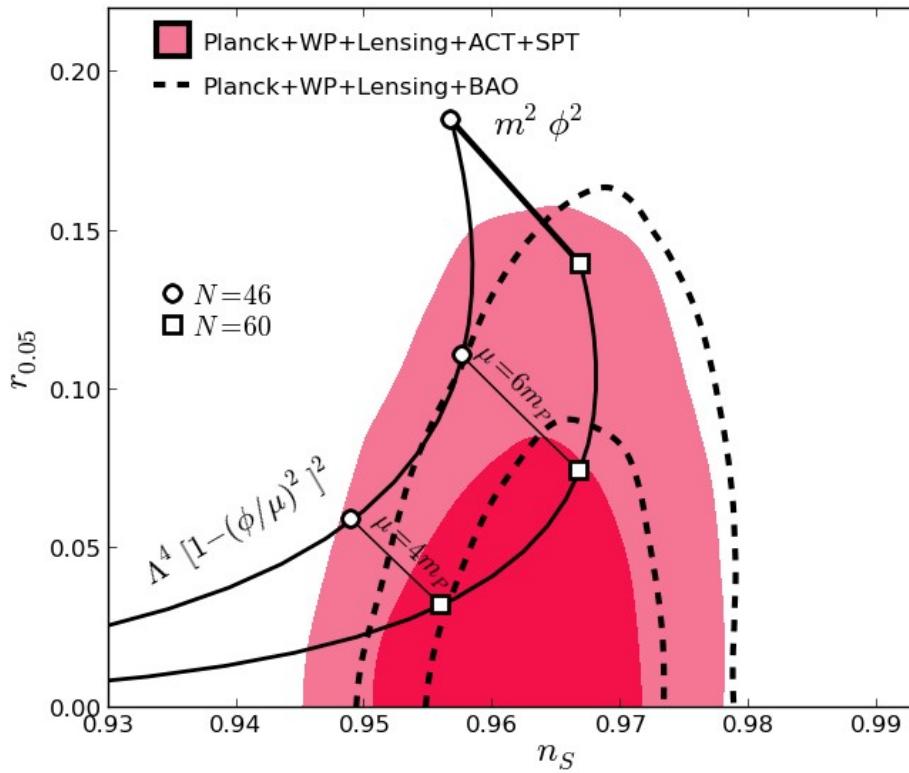
$p = 2$  : Spectral index quadratic in scale

$$n = 1 - \frac{1}{4\pi} \left( \frac{m_P}{\mu} \right)^2$$



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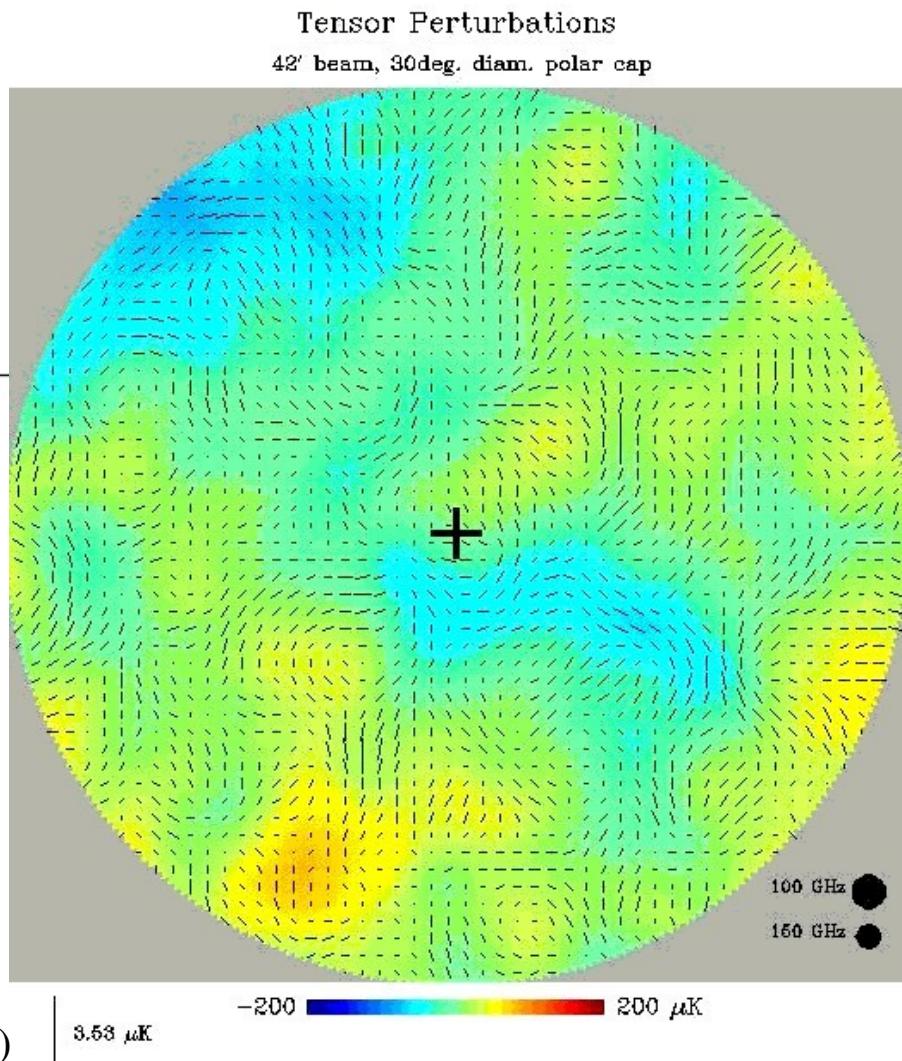
# Tensors and CMB Polarization



BICEP / POLAR / ABS /  
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(Figure: BICEP collaboration)

Quadratic potentials:  
 $r > 0.02$



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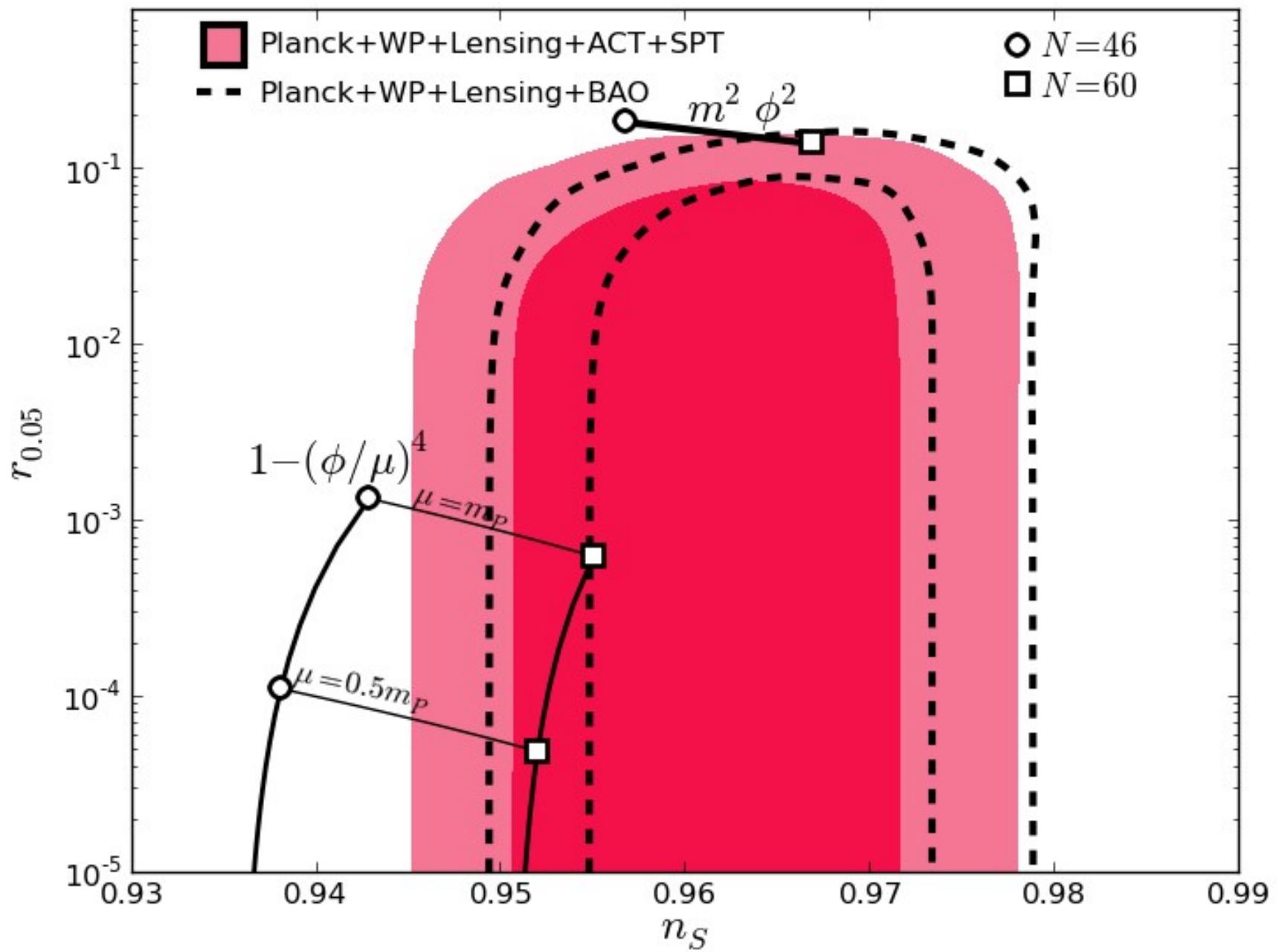
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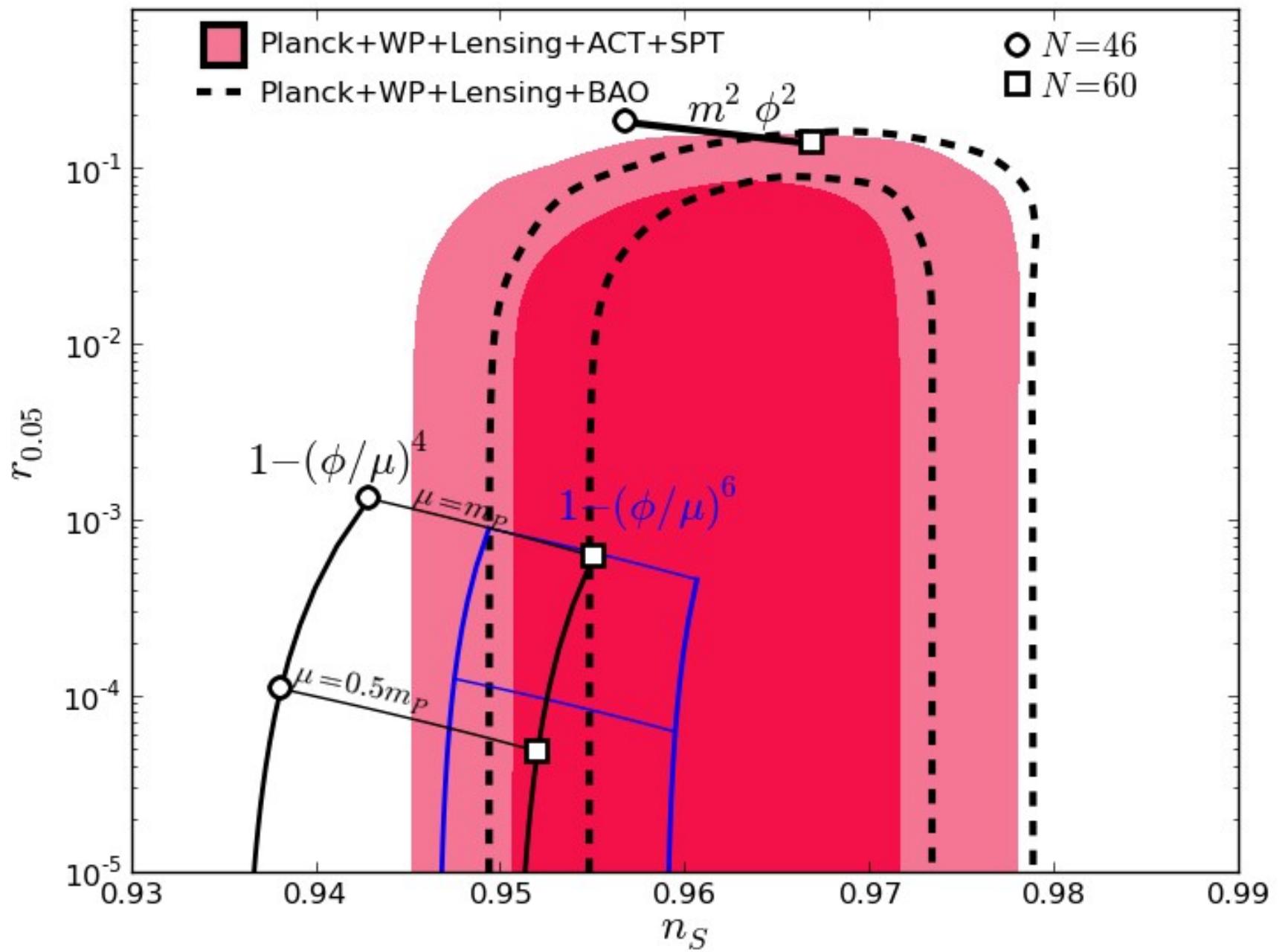
$p > 2$  : Spectral index *independent* of scale

$p \geq 4$

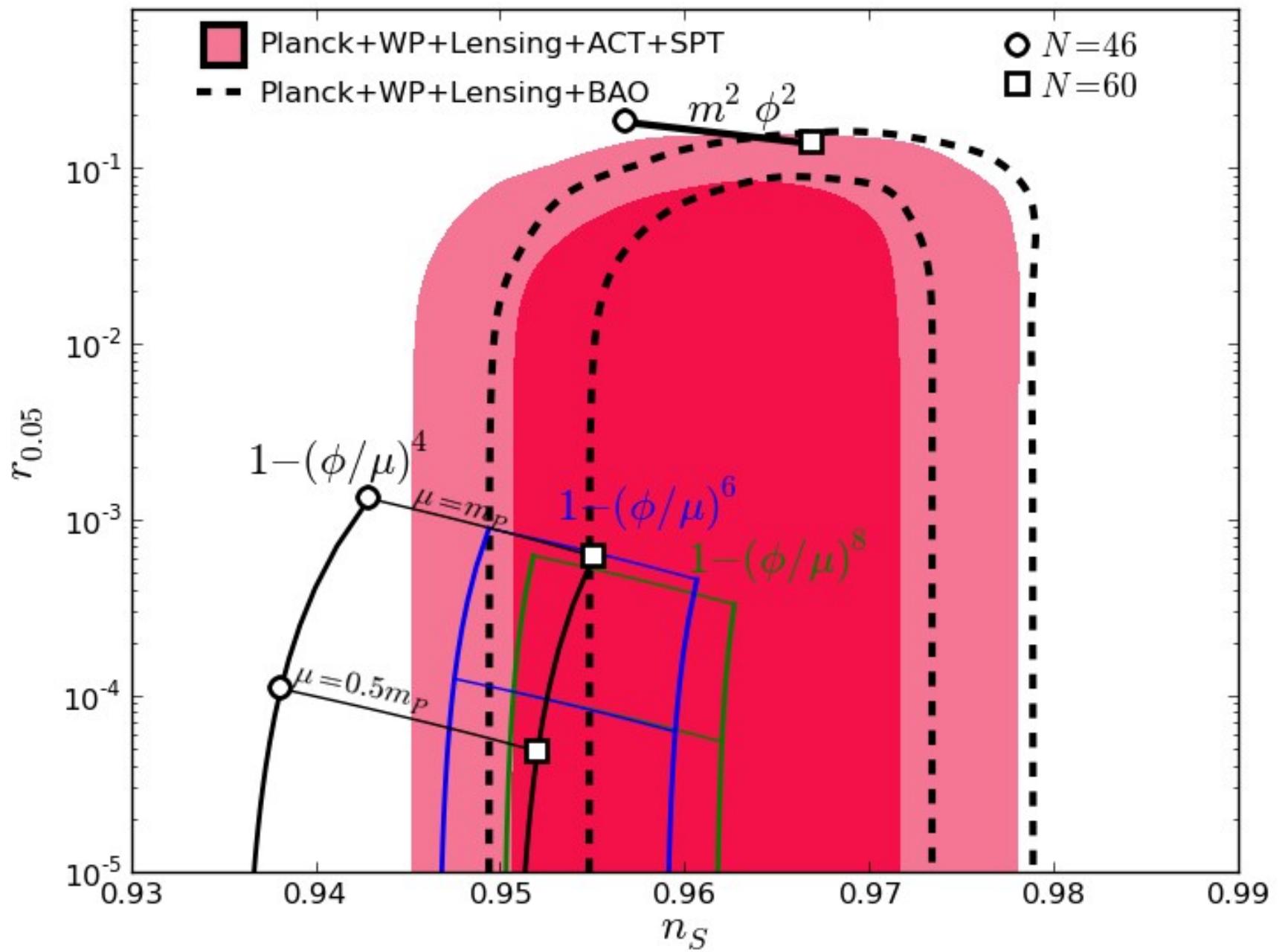
$$n = 1 - \left( \frac{2}{N} \right) \frac{p-1}{p-2} = [0.935, 0.967]$$



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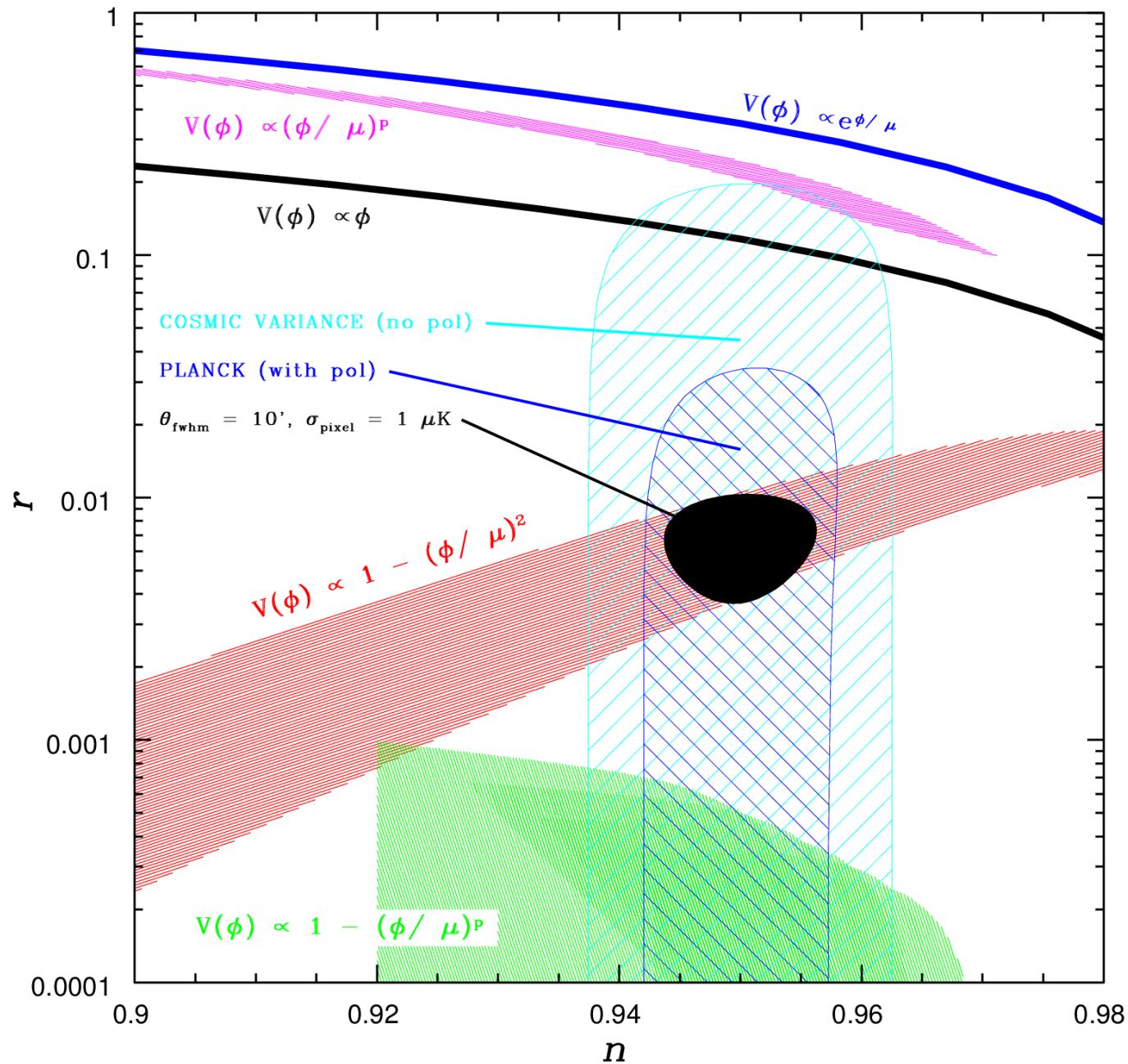


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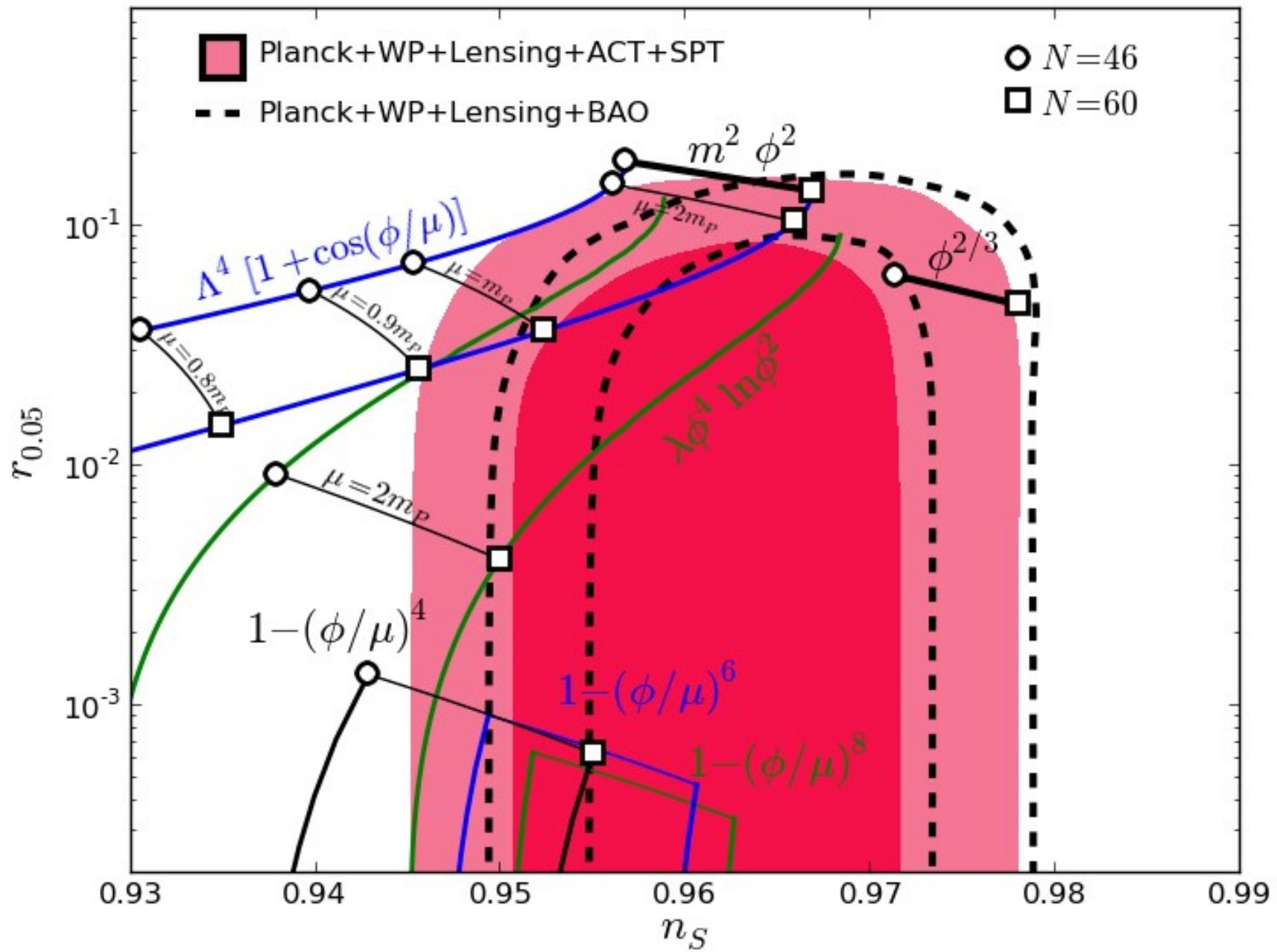
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# Planck: 1998 Forecast



(WHK, astro-ph/9806259)

# Summary: Planck and Natural Inflation



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