

# The Cosmic Microwave Background Radiation

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Lecture #1	What is it? How its anisotropies are generated? What Physics does it reveal?
Lecture #2	How it is measured.
Lecture #3	Main thrusts for the next decade.

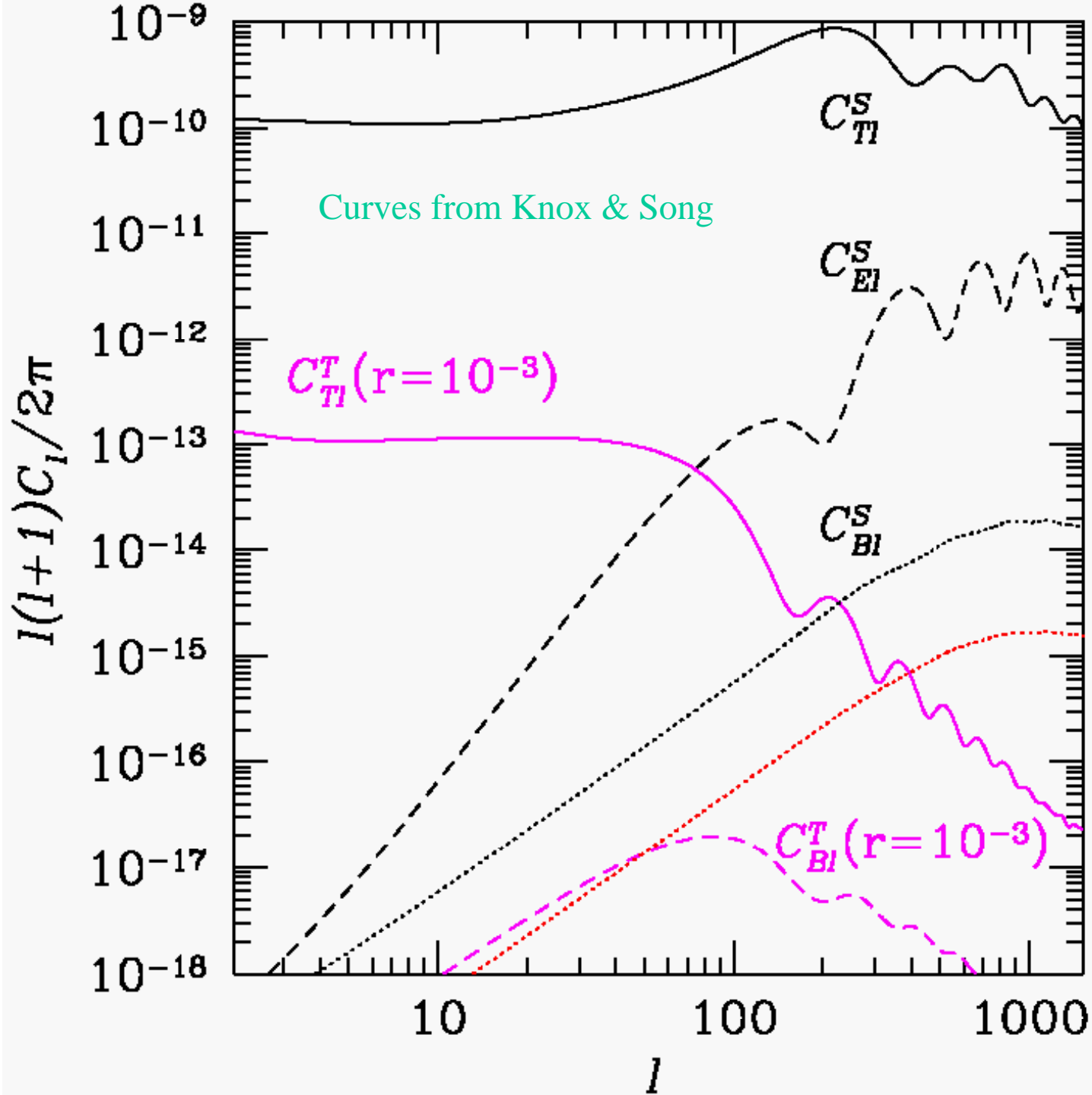
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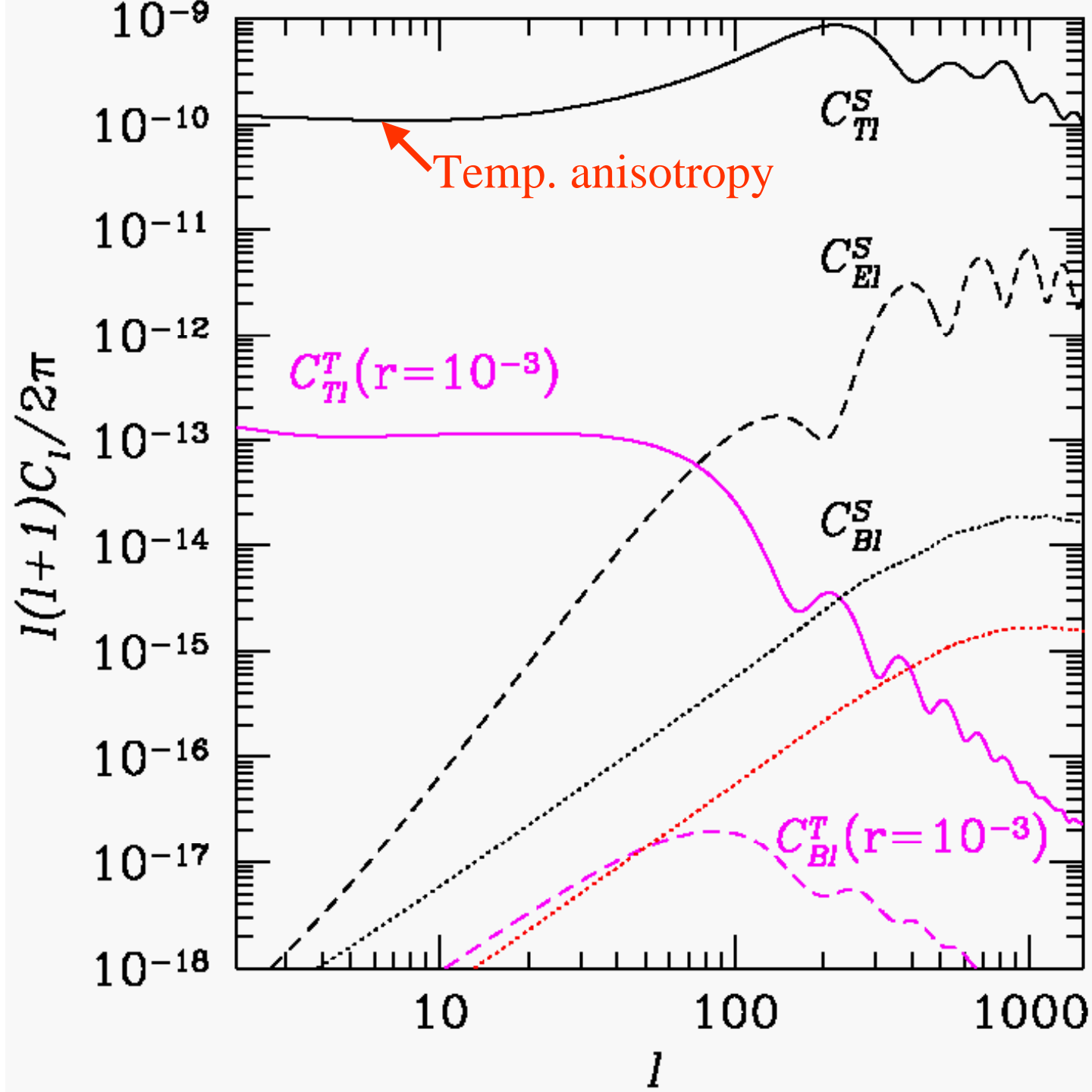
- An inflation probe?
  - Primordial gravity waves
- Polarization
  - Why it is there
  - How it can be detected
- Other topics
  - Neutrino mass
  - SUSY
  - Extra Dimensions/Trans Planckian physics

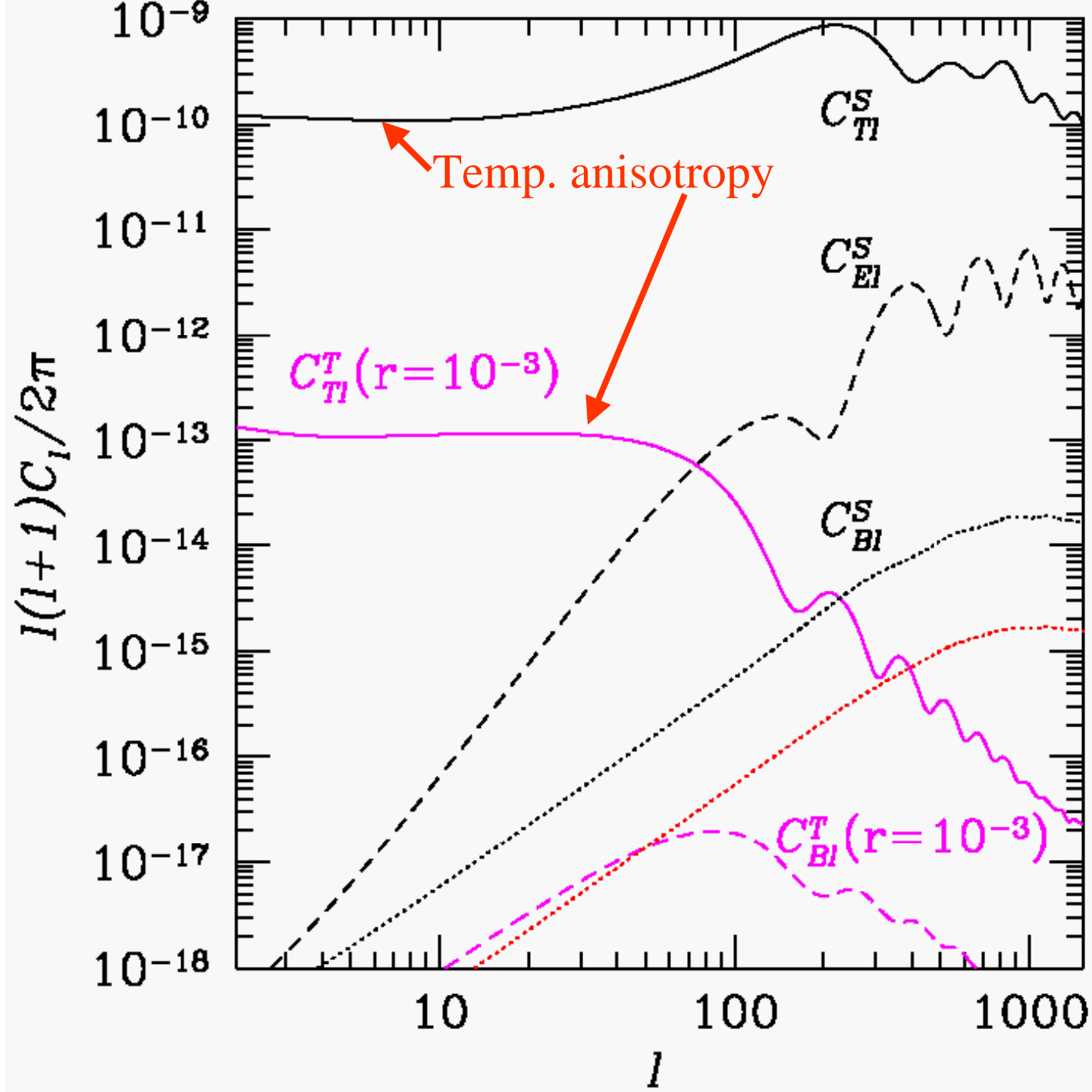
# Primordial Gravity Waves

- Tensor perturbations generated during (slow roll) inflation
  - Just like density/scalar modes
- Strength depends upon:  $r = T/S$ 
  - Tensor to scalar ratio **unknown**
  - $r$  depends on the energy scale of inflation
    - $V^{0.25} = 0.003 M_{\text{pl}} r^{0.25}$
    - $r = 0.001$  corresponds to  $E_{\text{inflation}} = 6.4 \times 10^{15} \text{ GeV}$
- $r$  can be limited studying  $\Delta T$
- Best information from CMB polarization

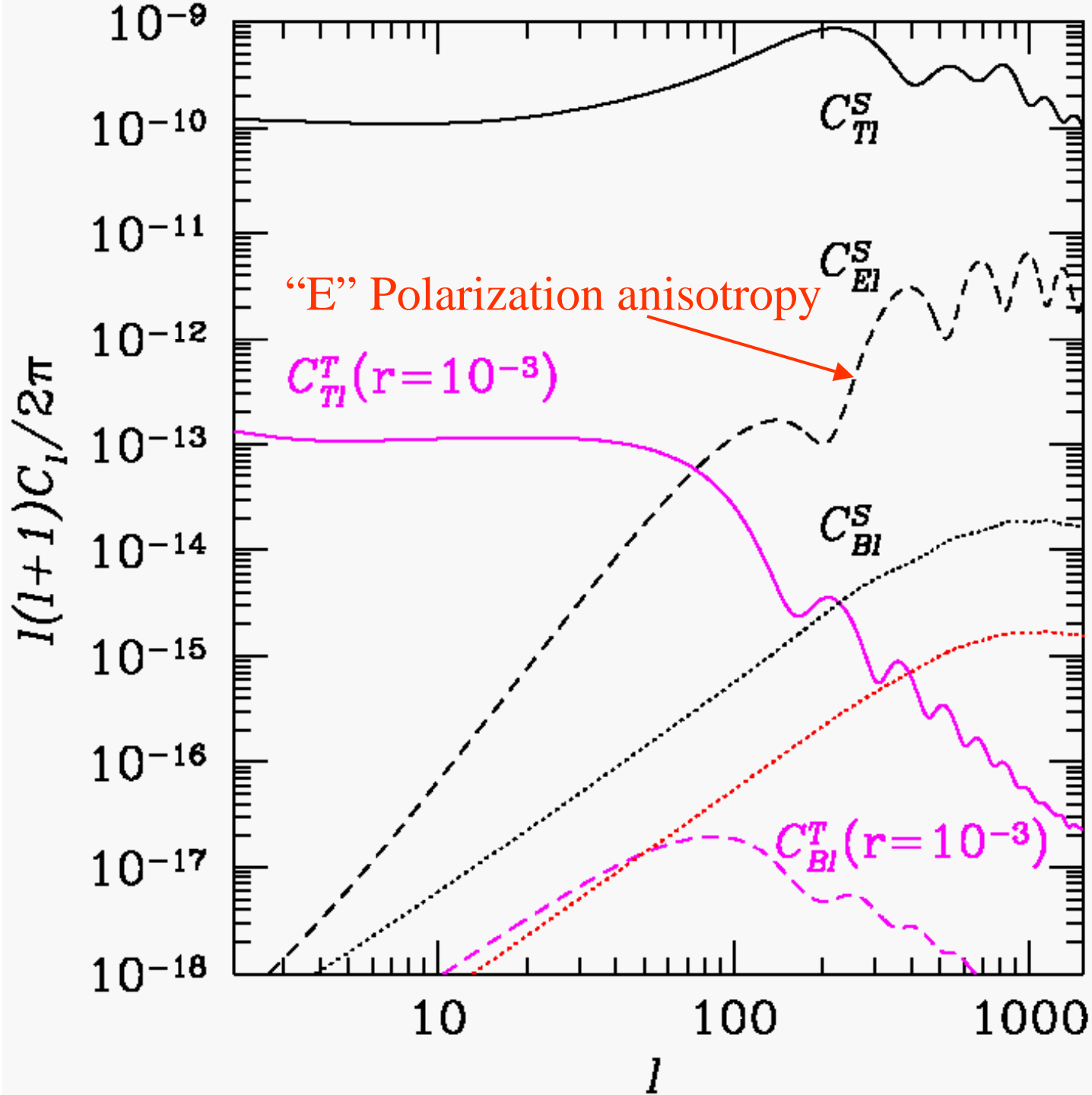
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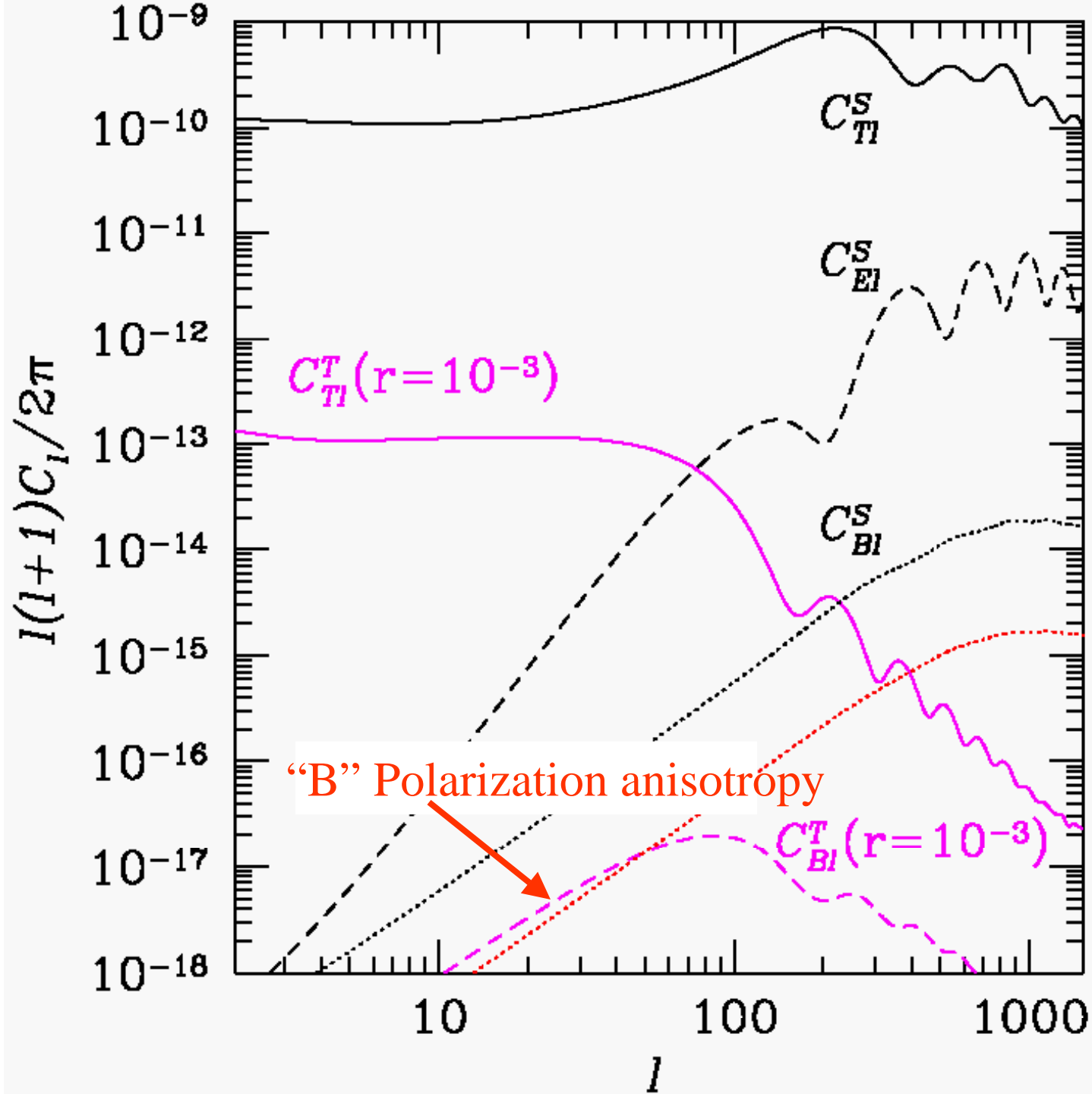






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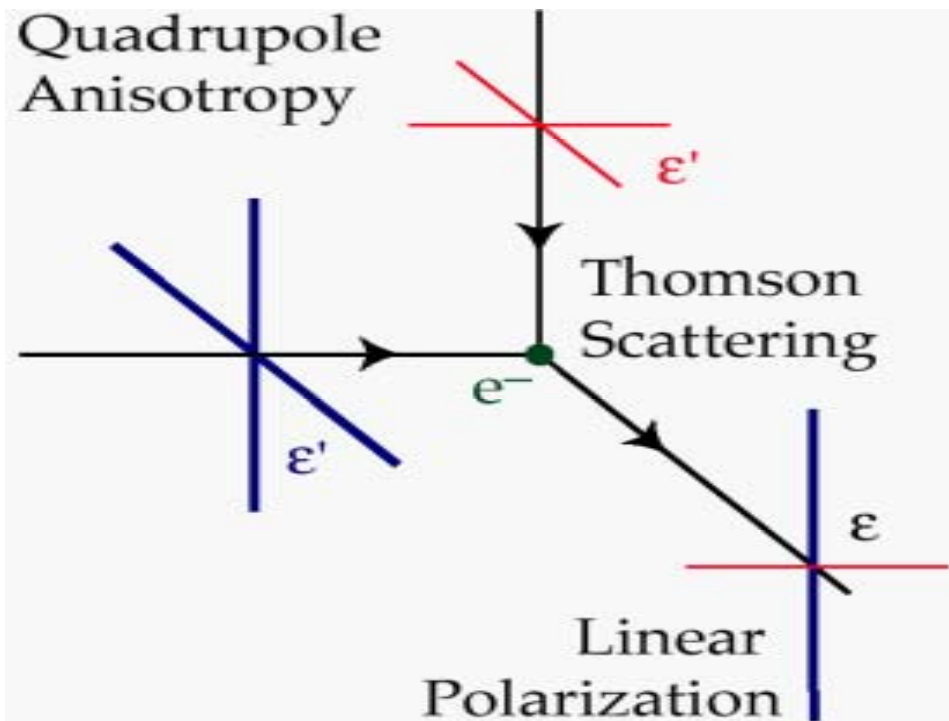


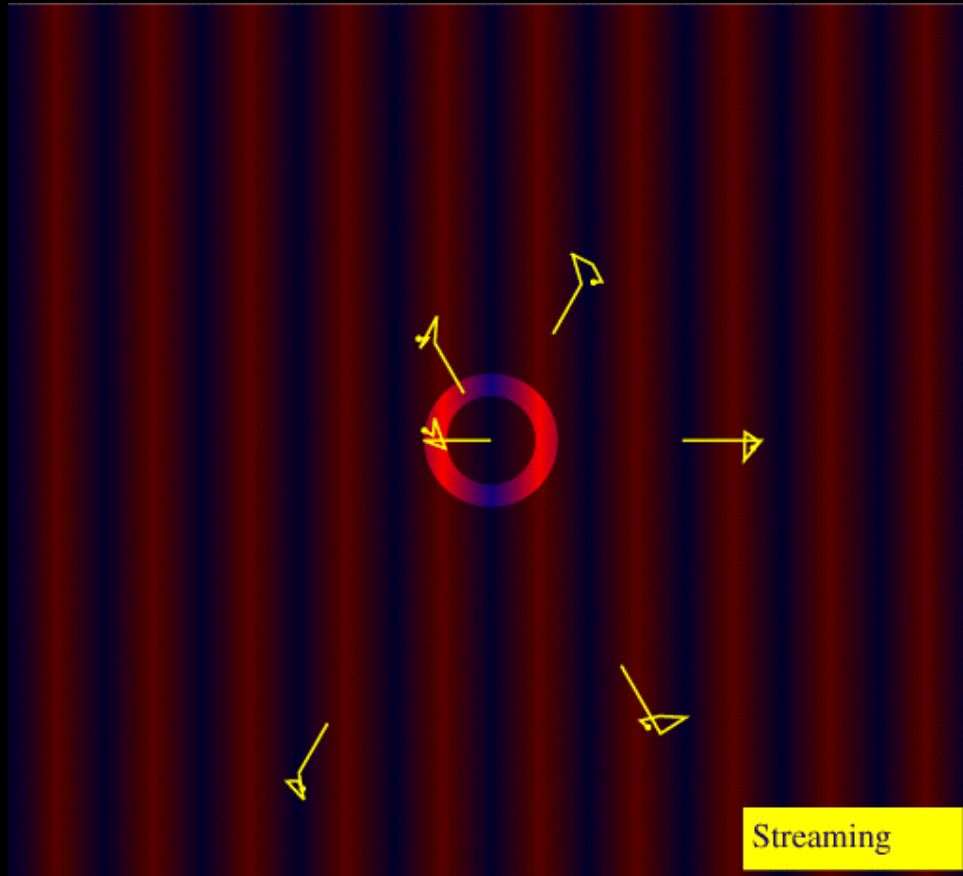


- From low  $|\Delta T|$ ,  $r$  only weakly limited
  - $r < 0.13$  (at best: depends on assumptions)
    - $E_{\text{infl.}} < 2 \times 10^{16}$  GeV
- Best bet is (very weak) polarization
- Let's look at:
  - Sensitivities required
  - Why there will be polarization
  - Means of detecting polarization
  - A critical but interesting foreground
    - Provides an “ultimate limit” on the reach

# CMB Polarization

- Arises from a non-zero Quadrupole moment in the radiation incident on scattering centers



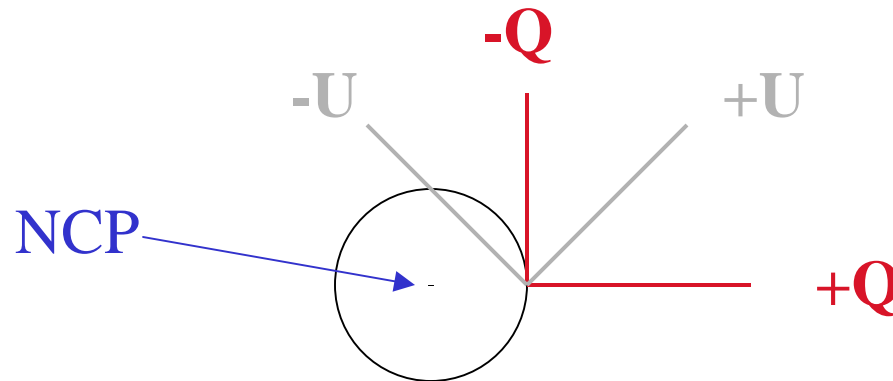


# CMB Polarization

- Need scattering for polarization; but...
- Scattering washes out the quadrupole
  - Polarization peaks at higher  $l$ -values
  - Polarization anisotropy is weak  $\approx 0.05 T$

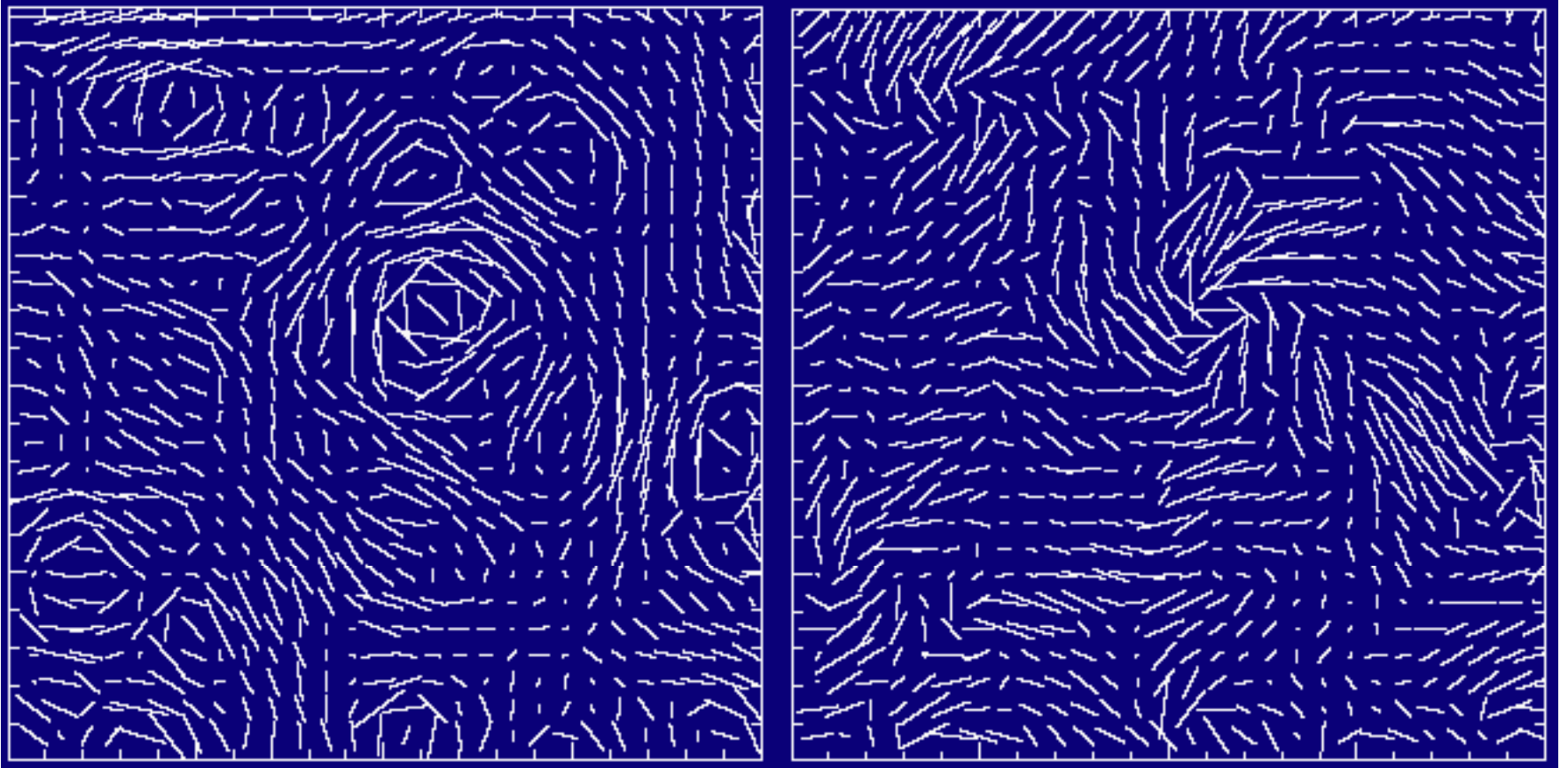
# CMB Polarization

- A Direct look at the Surface of last scattering **unlike T anisotropies**
- Quantified by Stokes parameters **Q** and **U** at each pixel: orientation of Electric Field



- Can be expressed in terms of E and B fields  
coordinate system independent      closely linked to physical processes

# E/B Modes

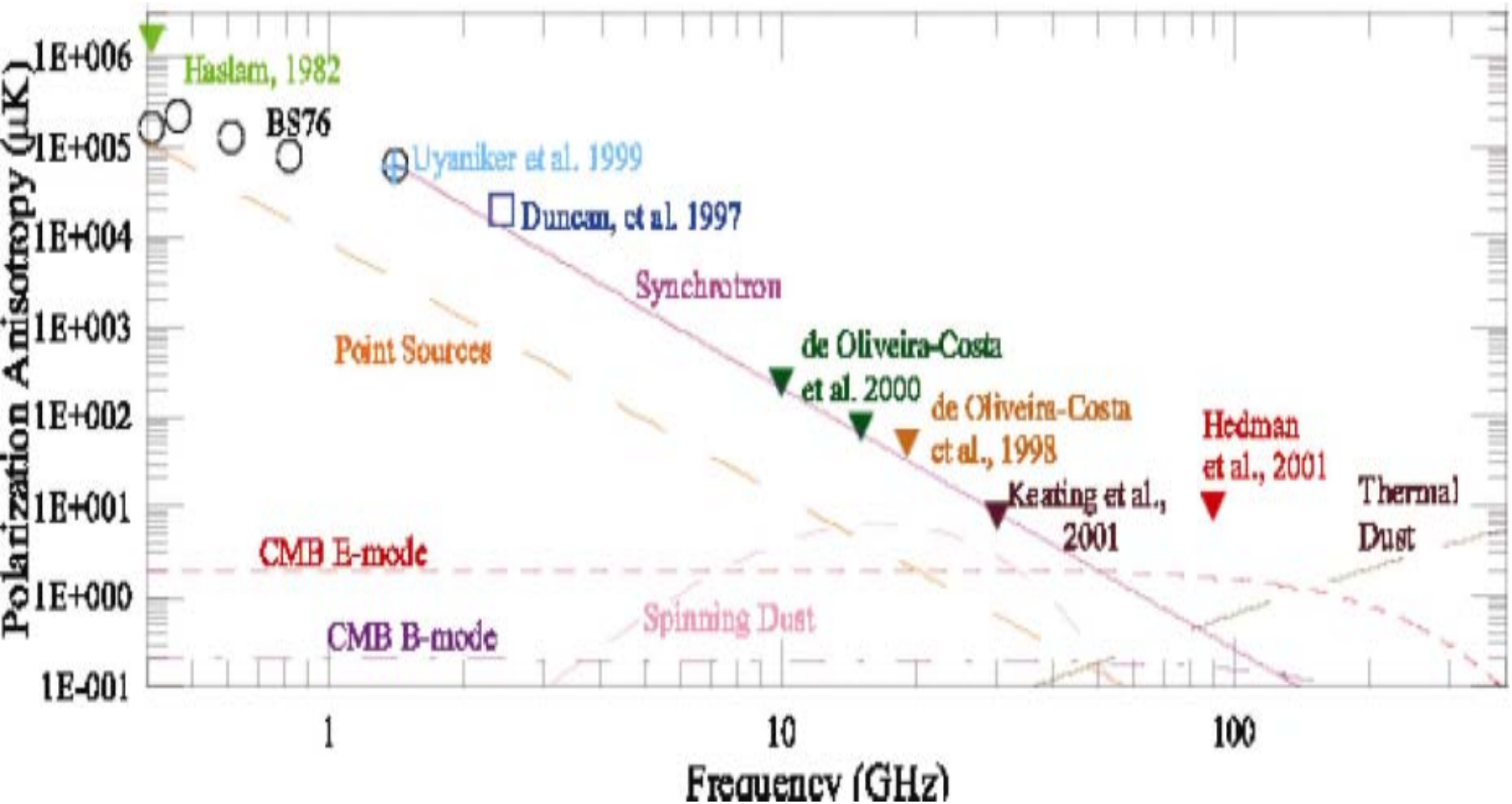


# Key Points:

- Density perturbations produce only E modes
  - No handedness
- Gravity waves produce both E and B modes

# What about Galactic Foregrounds for Polarization?

Poorly Studied but indicate  $\approx 100$  GHz is best.





# Detector Technology

- Bolometer

- Incoherent
- Very high sensitivity
- Stable
- Systematics
  - Promising schemes
- THE way to the B-modes(?)

–Boomerang 2001

–Maxipol

–Planck

- HEMT

- Coherent
- High system temp.
- Systematics
  - Most (all) limits today come from HEMT systems
- Allows Interferometry

–PIQUE/CAPMAP

–Polar/Compass

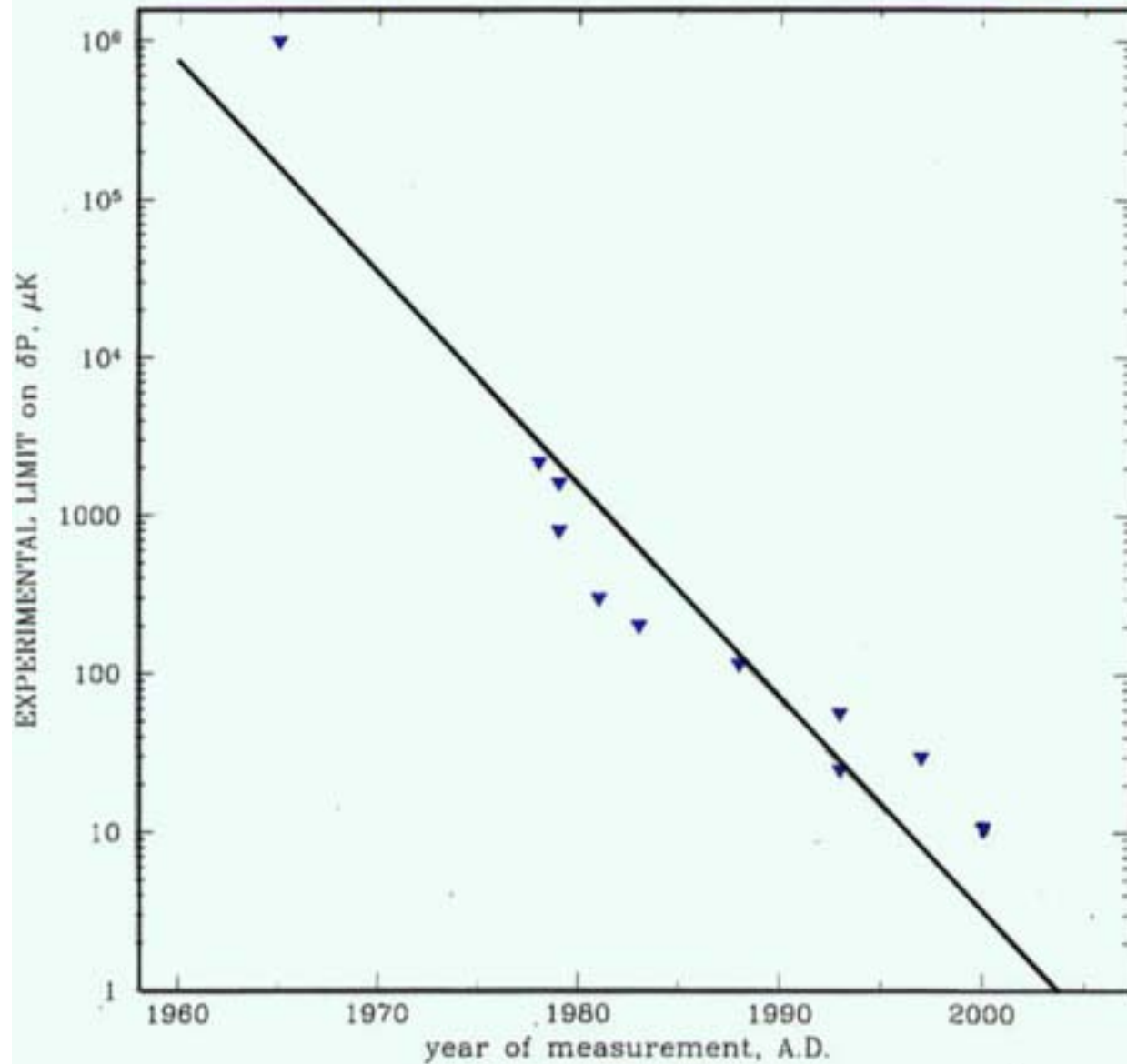
–DASIPOL

–MAP

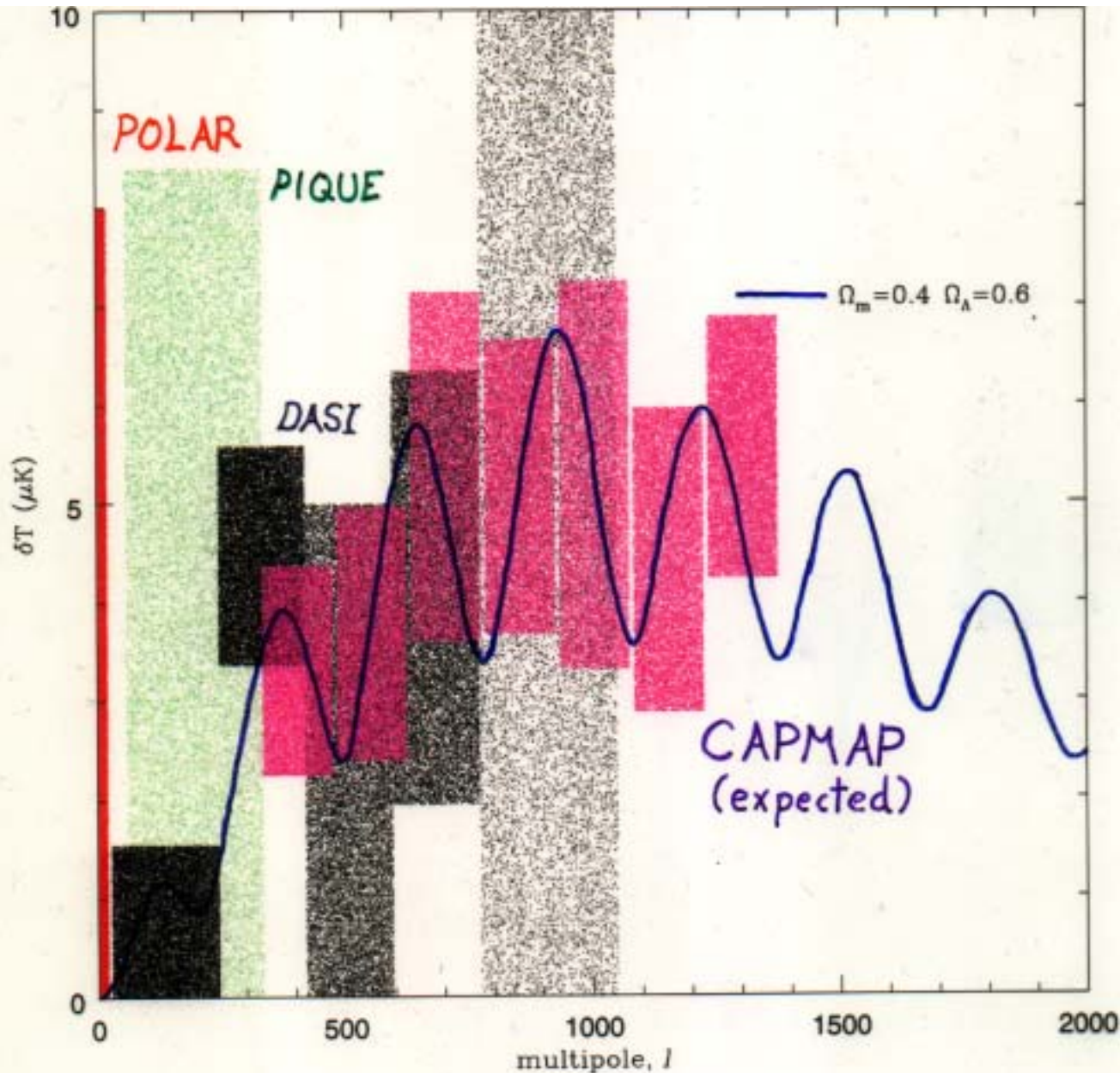
	<i>Frequencies (#)</i>	<i>Beam</i>	<i>Site</i>	<i>Technique</i>
<b><i>POLAR</i></b>	30 (1)	7°	WI	Correl. Rad., axial spin
<b><i>COMPASS</i></b>	30 (1), 90 (1)	20', 7'	WI	Correl. Rad., NCP scan
<b><i>PIQUE</i></b>	40 (1), 90 (1)	30', 15'	NJ	Correl. Rad., NCP chop
<b><i>CAPMAP</i></b>	40, 90	13', 6'	NJ?	Correl. Rad. Array
<b><i>DASI</i></b>	30 (13)	20', 7'	S. Pole	Interferometer
<b><i>CBI</i></b>	30 (13), 90 (13)?	3'	Atacama	Interferometer
<b><i>VLA</i></b>	8.4	6"	Socorro	Interferometer
<b><i>Polatron</i></b>	90 (1)	2'	OVRO	Bolo, 1/2 $\lambda$ plate
<b><i>QUEST</i></b>	150, 225 (~30)	4', 3'	Chile?	Bolo Array, 1/2 $\lambda$ plate
<b><i>POLARBEAR</i></b>	150 ... (3000 dt'rs)	10'	S. Pole or M. Kea	Bolo Array
<b><i>BOOM2K</i></b>	150 (4), 240 (4), 340 (4)	10'	Antarctic LDB	Bolo Array
<b><i>MAXIPOL</i></b>	150 (12), 420 (4)	10'	US-Balloon	Bolo Array, cold 1/2 $\lambda$ plate
<b><i>BaR-SPOrt</i></b>	32, 90	30', 12'	Antarctic LDB	Correl. Rad. Array
<b><i>MAP</i></b>	22, 30, 40(2), 60(2), 90(4)	13'	L2, full-sky	Correl. Rad. Array*
<b><i>SPOrt</i></b>	22, 32, 60, 90	7°	ISS, full-sky	Correl. Rad. Array
<b><i>PLANCK-LFI</i></b>	30(4), 44(6), 70(12), 100(34)	33', 23', 13', 10'	L2, full-sky	Correl. Rad. Array
<b><i>PLANCK-HFI</i></b>	100(4), 143(12), 217(12), 353(6), 545(8), 857(6)	11', 8', 6', 5', 5', 5'		Bolo Array

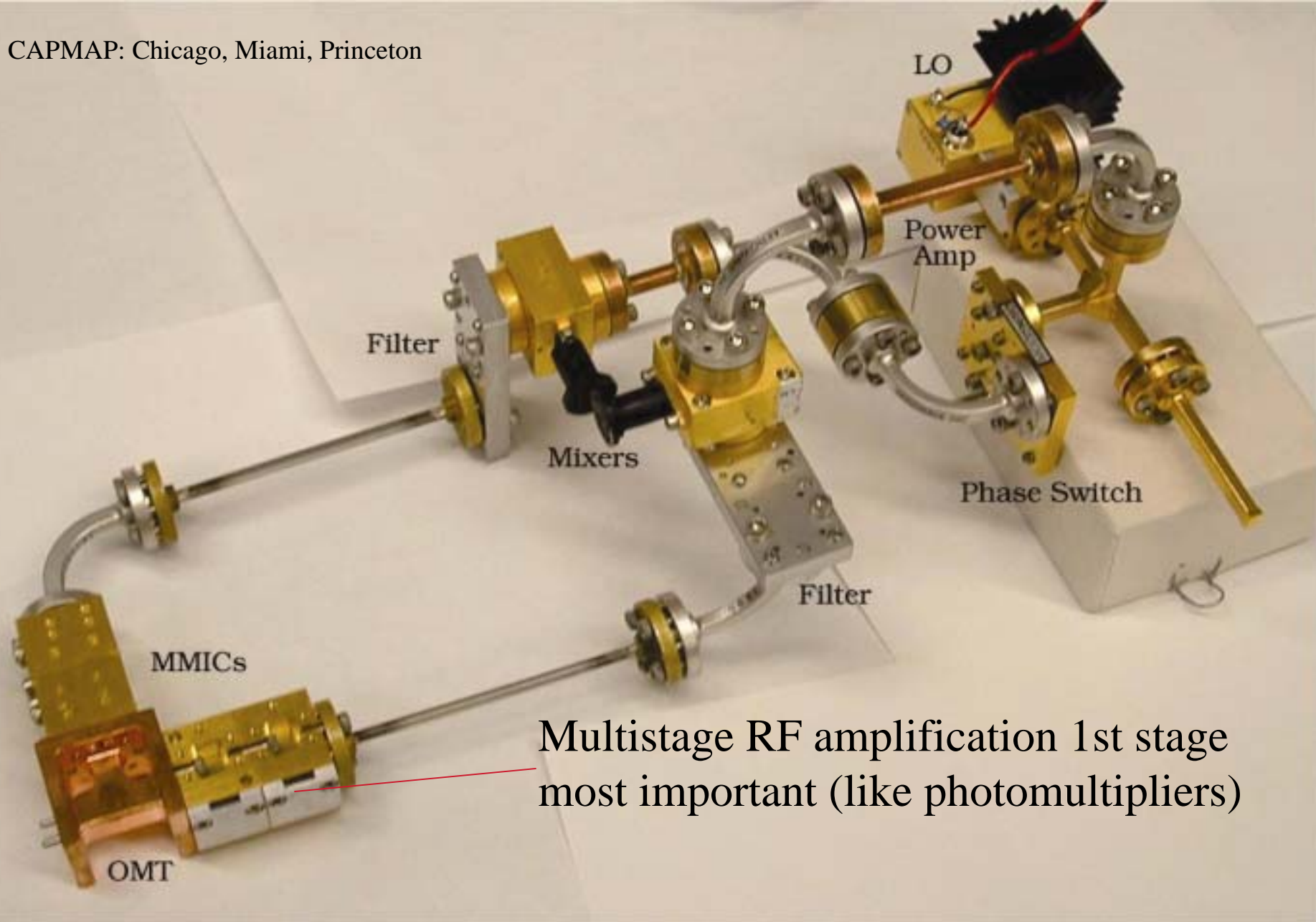
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# HISTORY OF POLARIZATION LIMITS



# CAPMAP Expected Sensitivity

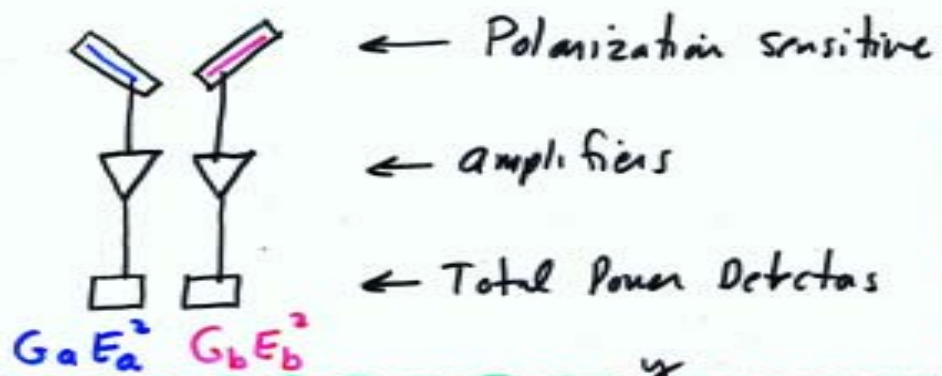




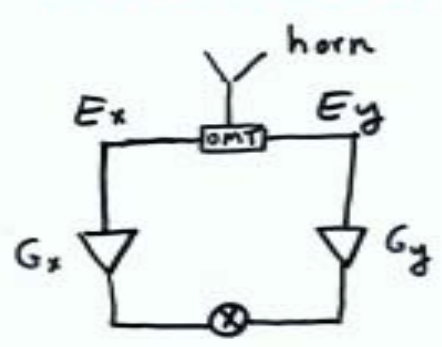
Multistage RF amplification 1st stage most important (like photomultipliers)



# How to Measure Polarization



"Brute Force"



$E_x \sim E_b - E_a$

$E_y \sim E_b + E_a$

$G_x G_y [E_b^2 - E_a^2]$

"Correlation Receiver"

⇒ signal will not be faked by gain changes

We move DC signal to 4kHz :



guards against slow drifts, multiplex signals

# Detecting Tensor Perturbations with Polarization $(r=0.001)$

- Need to concentrate on  $50 < l < 120$ 
  - Horizon scale at decoupling
  - Finer-scale modes were red-shifted away
    - G-waves shear but do not make over-densities
- Need 7 orders of magnitude more sensitivity (than for density fluctuations) !

# Sensitivity Calculation

- $\delta C_l / C_l = (2/(2l+1))^{0.5} [1 + C_N/C_l]$
- PS at peak is  $2 \times 10^{-17}$ 
  - $C_l$  is  $0.12 \text{ nk}^2$
- Take  $\Delta l=70$ ; then for a  $3\text{-}\sigma$  detection:
  - $(1/(90 \times 70))^{0.5} [1 + C_N/0.12] = 1/3$
  - $C_N = 3 \text{ nk}^2$
  - SENFAC =  $500 \text{ pk}$
- This would require 6400 WMAPs!

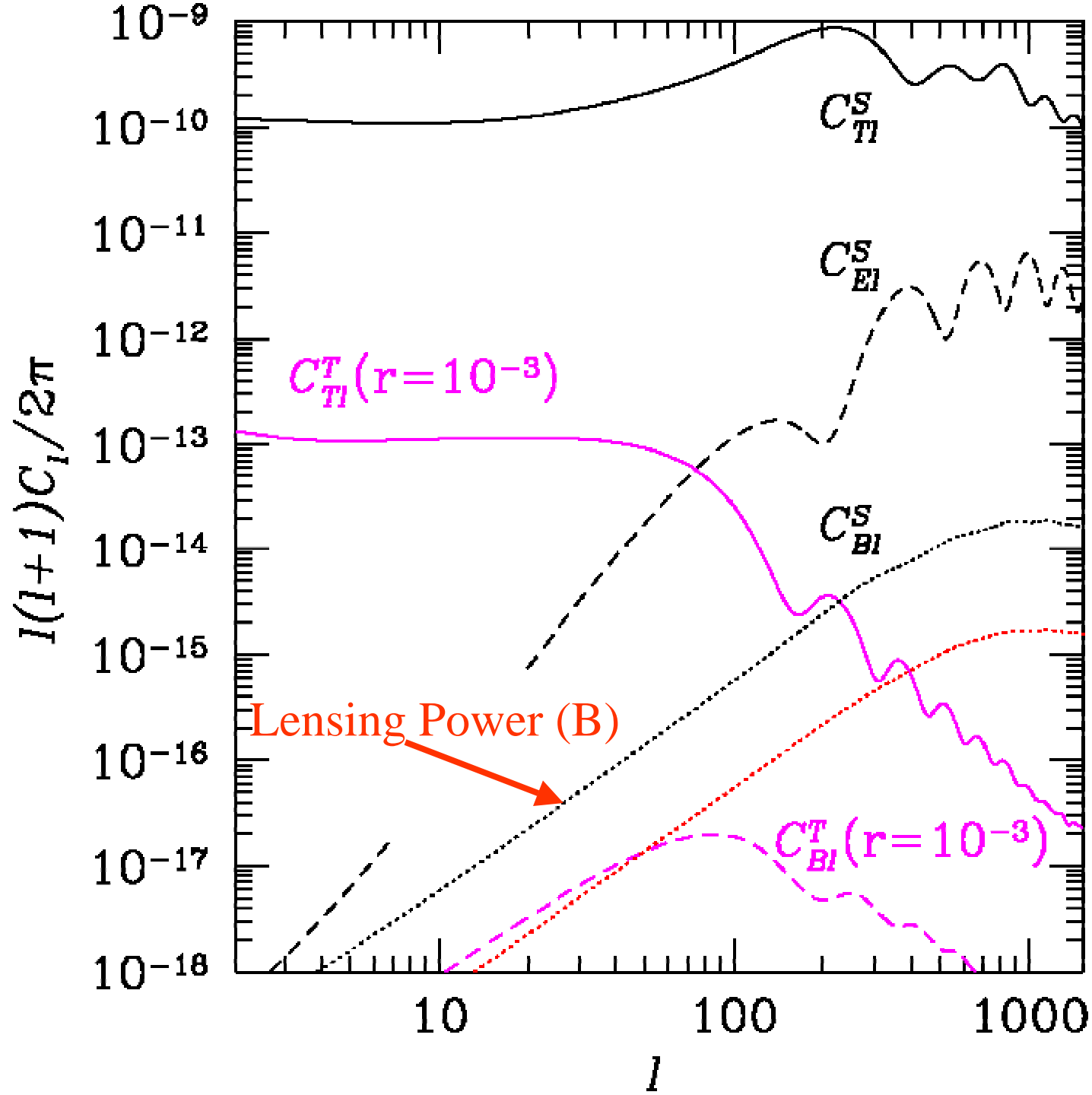


# Contaminants to a B-mode signal

# Gravitational Lensing of the CMB

- Most studied foreground
- Measures properties of the matter distribution from  $z = 1000$  to today
  - Sensitive to growth of structure
- Deflection angles of order few arc-min.
- Coherence over few degree scales
- Leads to false power in the B-modes
  - Few  $\times 10^{-3}$  of E-mode power ( $\approx$  observed galaxy shears)
  - Can be “cleaned” by reconstructing the (projected) deflecting potential

Power Spectra as a Fraction of  $T_0^2$



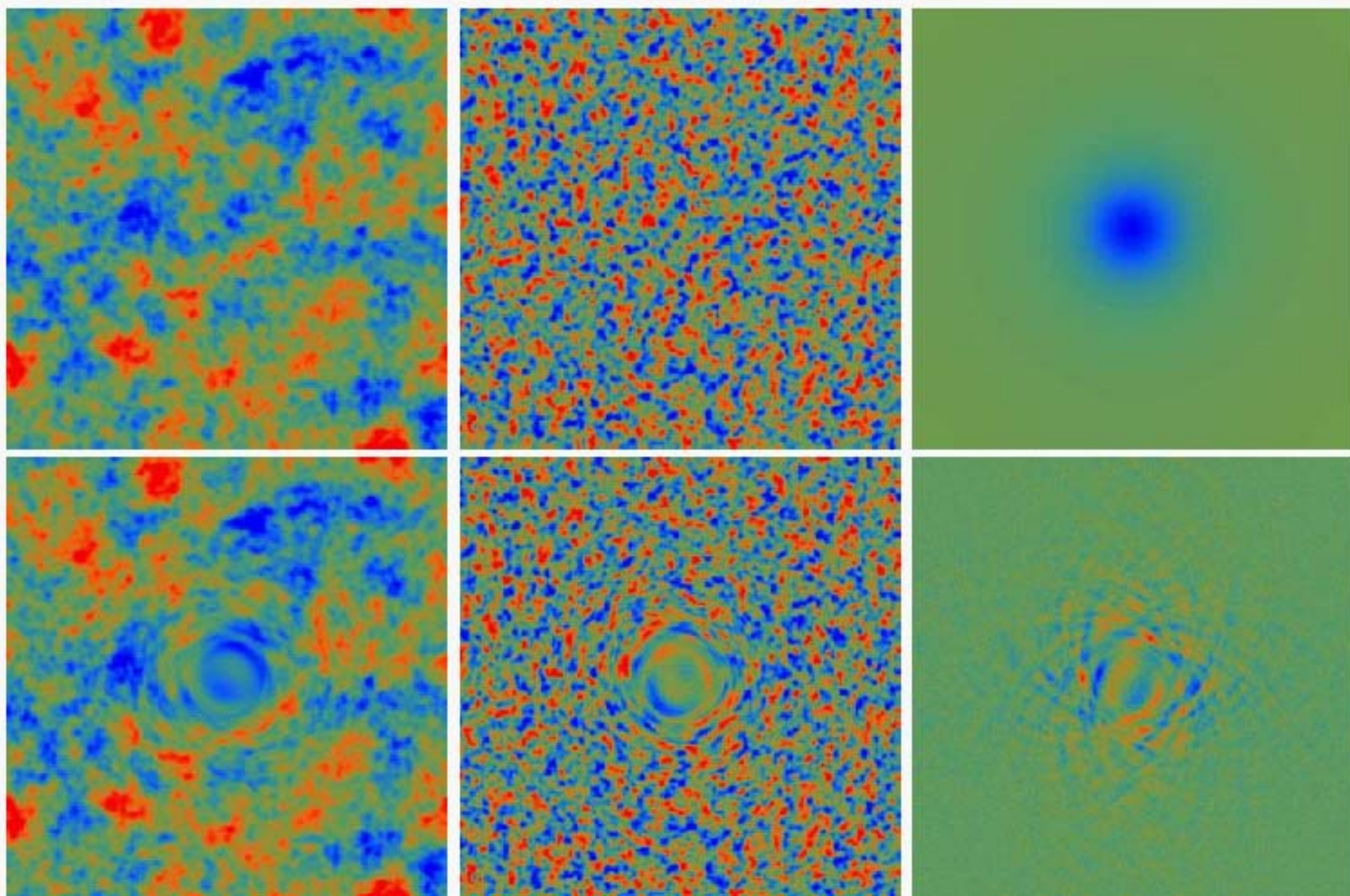


FIG. 1.— An exaggerated example of the lensing effect on a  $10^\circ \times 10^\circ$  field. Top: (left-to-right) unlensed temperature field, unlensed  $E$ -polarization field, spherically symmetric deflection field  $d(n)$ . Bottom: (left-to-right) lensed temperature field, lensed  $E$ -polarization field, lensed  $B$ -polarization field. The scale for the polarization and temperature fields differ by a factor of 10.

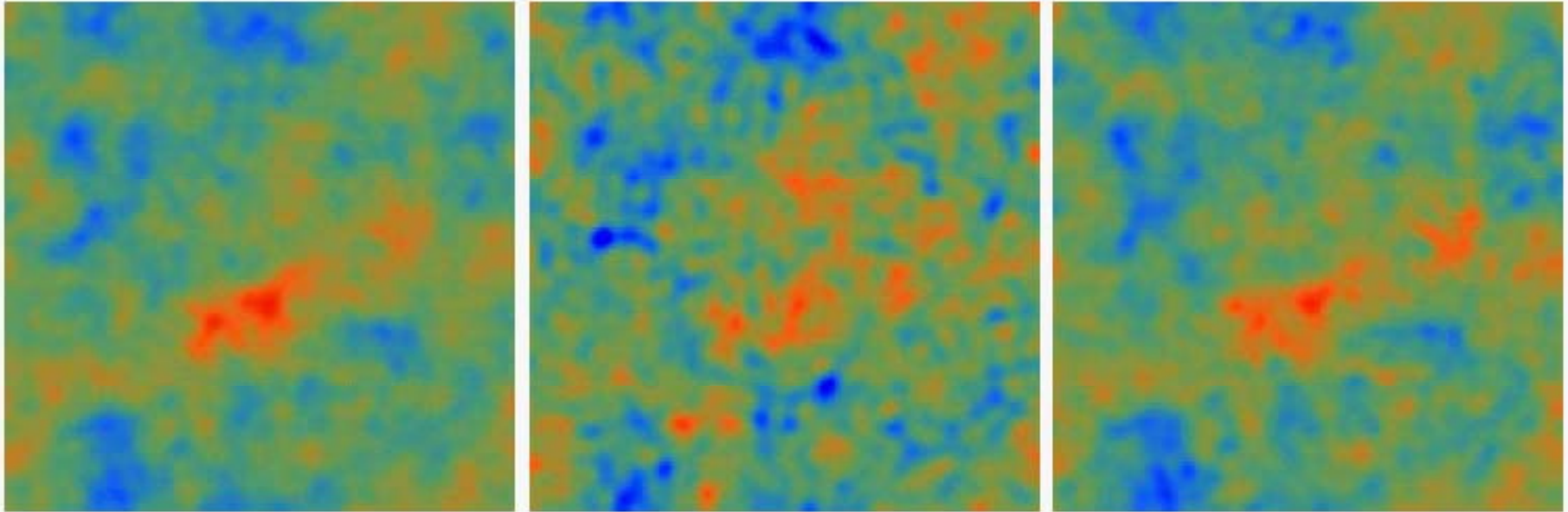


FIG. 5.— Mass reconstruction on a  $10^0 \times 10^0$  field with the reference experiment ( $\Delta_T = \Delta_P/\sqrt{2} = 1\mu\text{K-arcmin}$  and  $\sigma = 4'$ ): (a) deflection field, (b)  $\Theta\Theta$ -reconstruction, (c)  $EB$ -reconstruction.



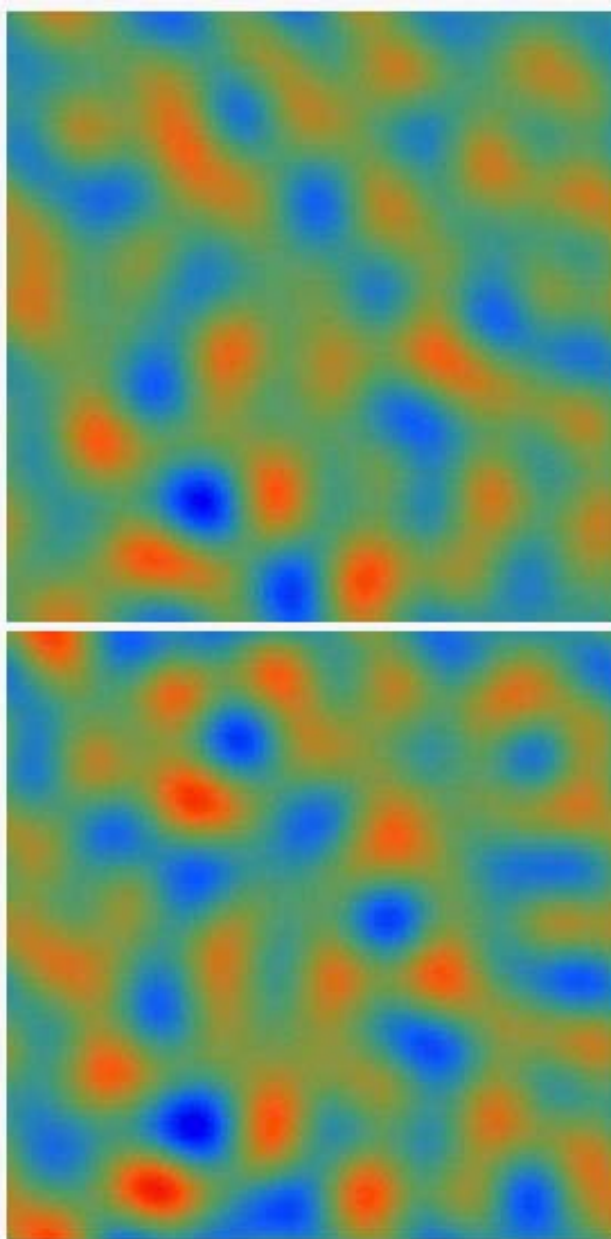
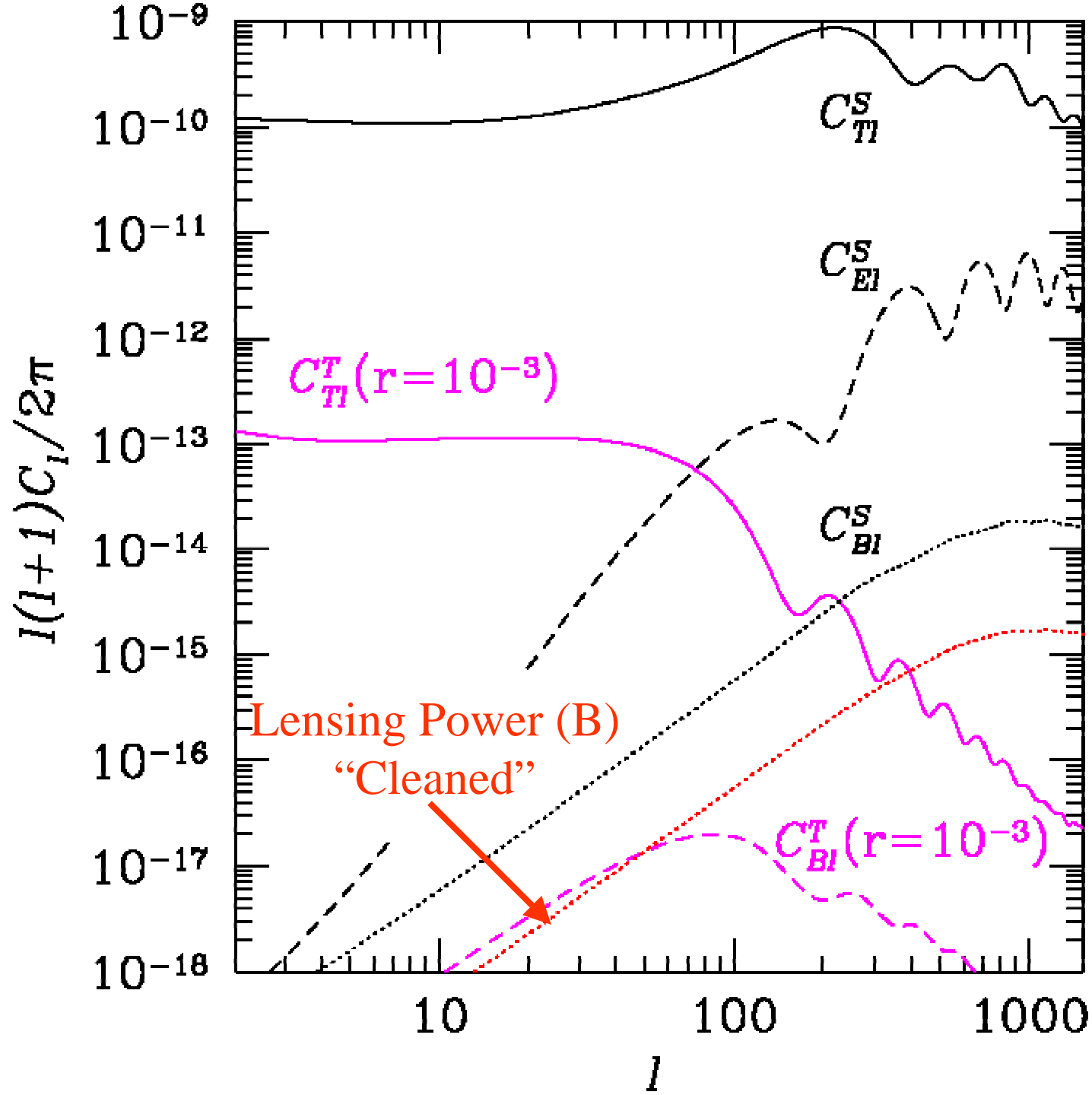


FIG. 9.— Large-angle ( $l < 100$ ) lensing  $B$ -polarization field (top) and the reconstructed  $B$ -polarization field from the small angle  $EB$  deflection estimator and the observed  $E$ -field. Detector noise appropriate for the reference experiment has been added to this  $25^\circ \times 25^\circ$  patch. Reconstruction techniques can help separate the gravitational wave and lensing  $B$ -modes.

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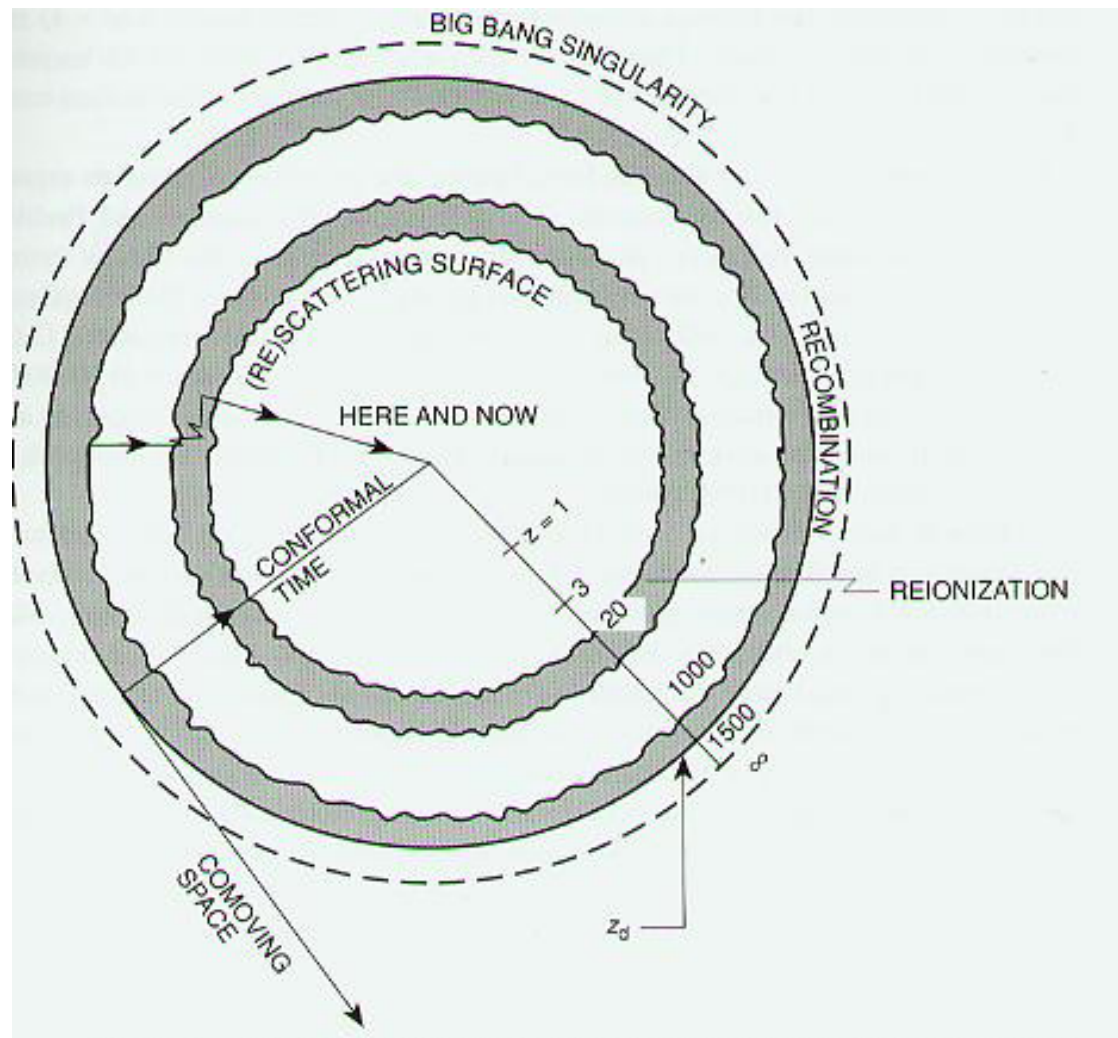


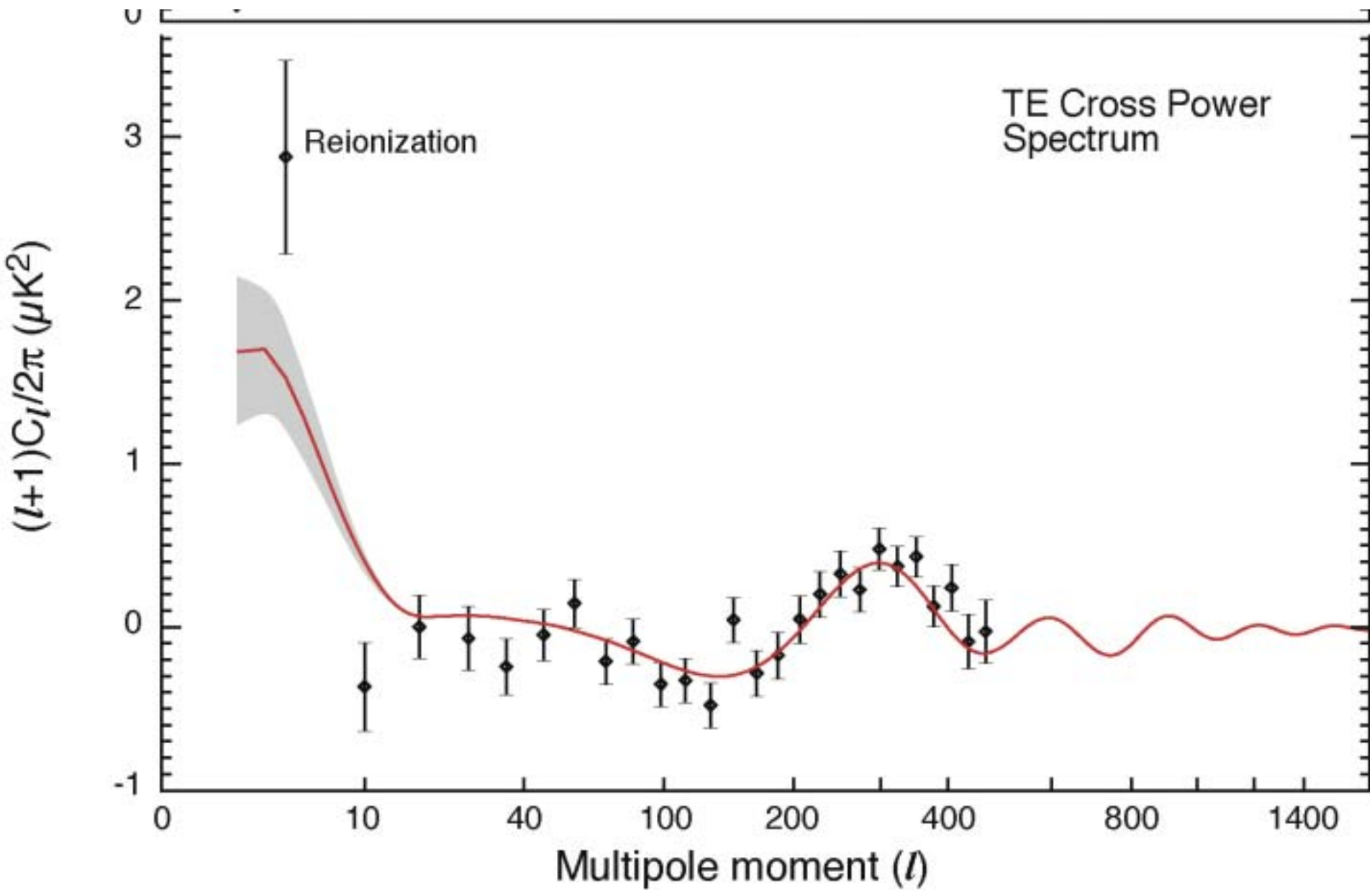
# Table of Sensitivities

Signal	SENFAC (for $3\sigma$ )	# of WMAPS
E-modes @ $l=1000$	300 nk	0.02
Lensing @ $l=1000$	15 nk	8
B-modes, $r=10^{-3}$ (no lensing)	500 pk	6,400
B-modes, $r=10^{-4}$ (no lensing)	170 pk	64,000
B-modes, $r=10^{-4}$ (with lensing) $E_{\text{infl}} = 6.4 \times 10^{15} \text{ GeV}$	100 pk	150,000



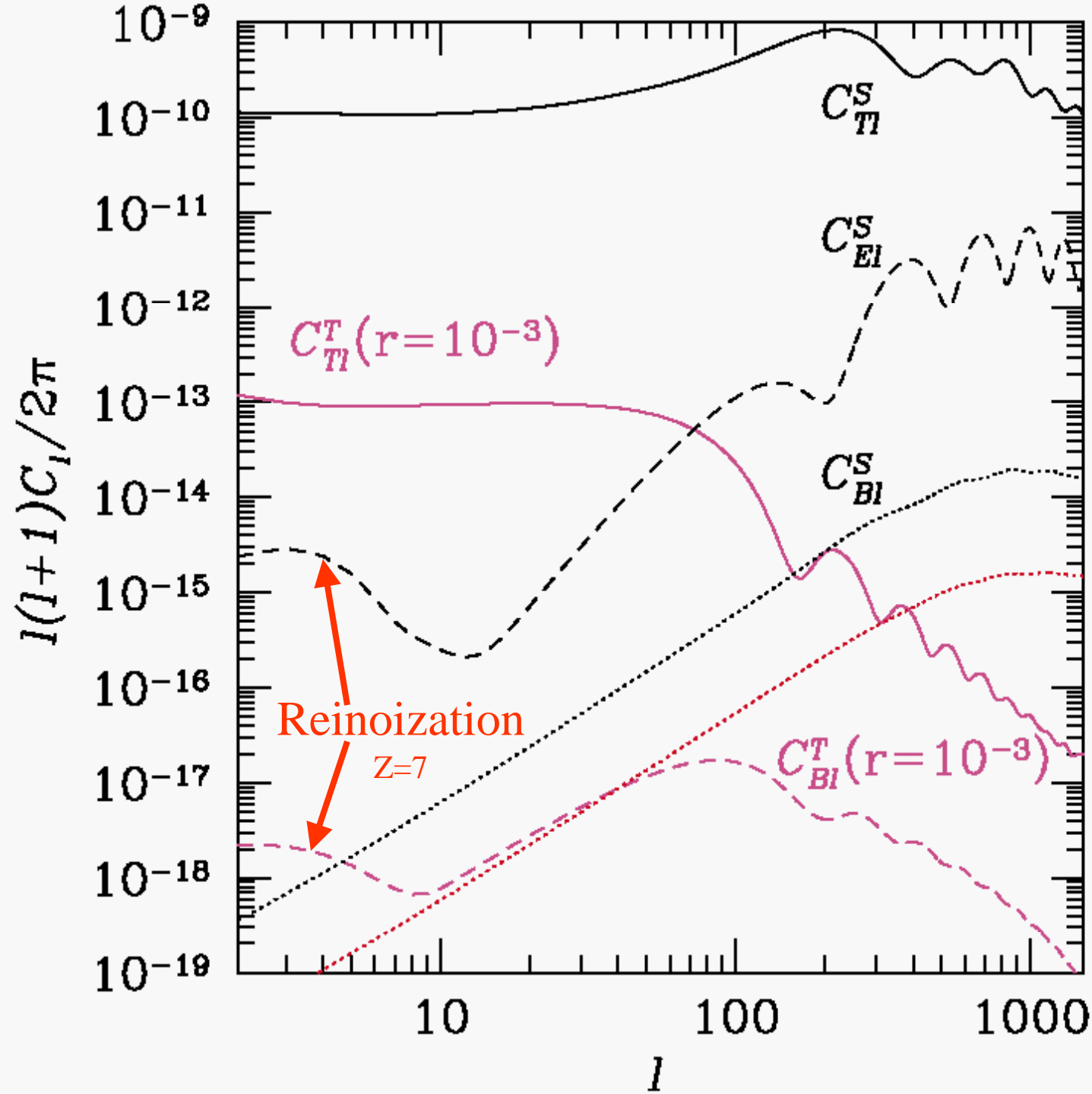
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# But we can perhaps do even better .....

- Reionization, at MAP level, provides another scattering surface for GWs
- Fewer modes but less contaminated with lensing
  - Comparable sensitivity
- Likely will be important to see both manifestations
  - Space mission

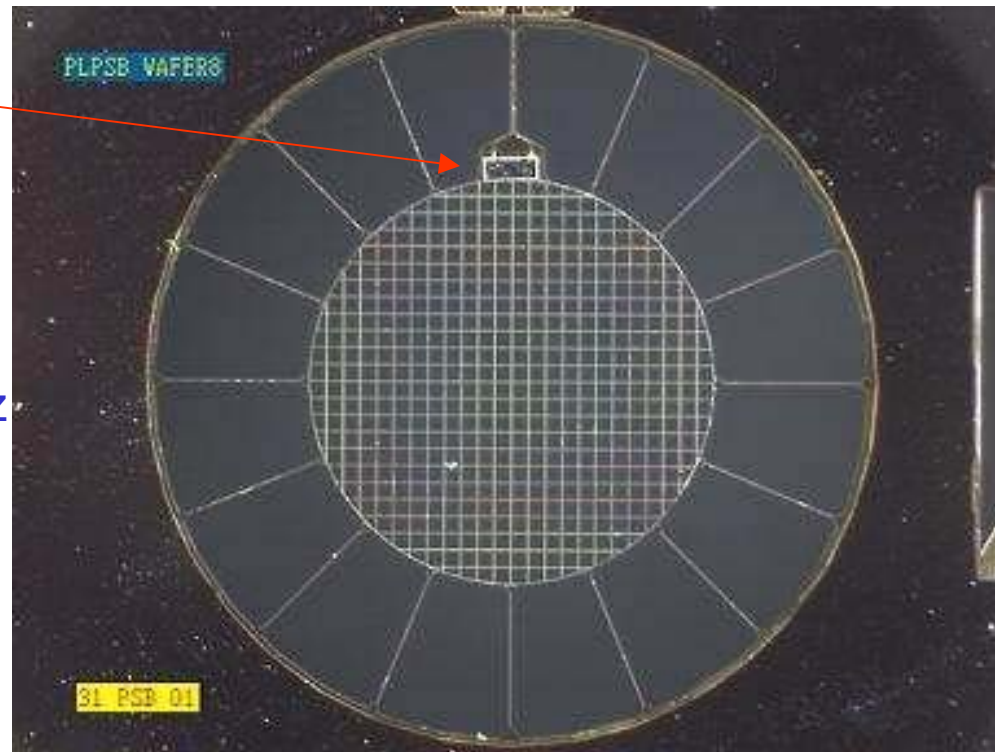


# Detectors for the Future

- Large-format Bolometric arrays
- Integrated circuit “radiometers on a chip” coherent detectors
  
- JPL plays a major role in both
  - Also Goddard and NIST

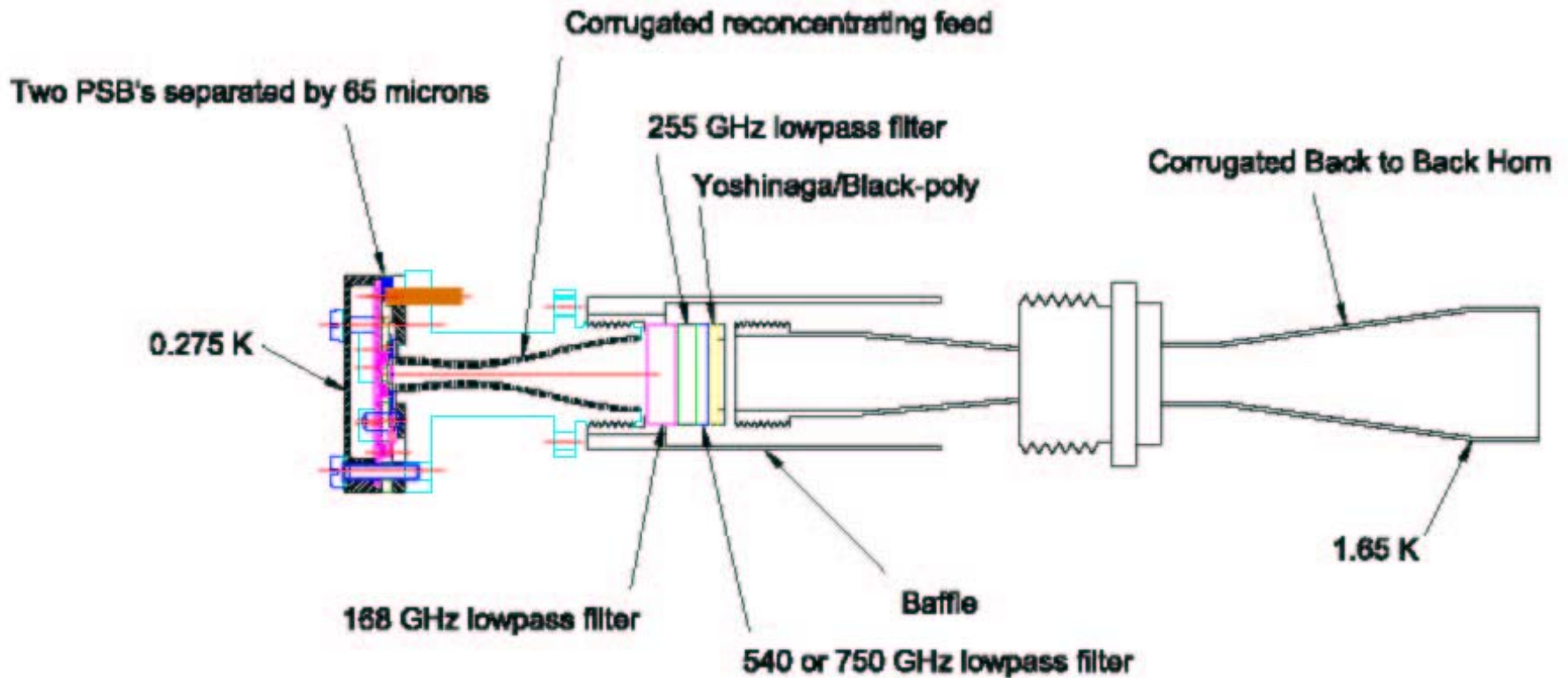
# Bolometric Detectors

- Plastic with Au Coating
  - Coupled to termistor
- Few msec time constant
  - Influences scan rates
- Sensitivity can be dominated by photon noise itself!
  - comparable to HEMTs @ $10^{11}$  Hz
  - need big arrays for improvement
- Very stable
  - need control of load and bath
- Cosmic Ray rejection
- Polarization sensitive: PSBs



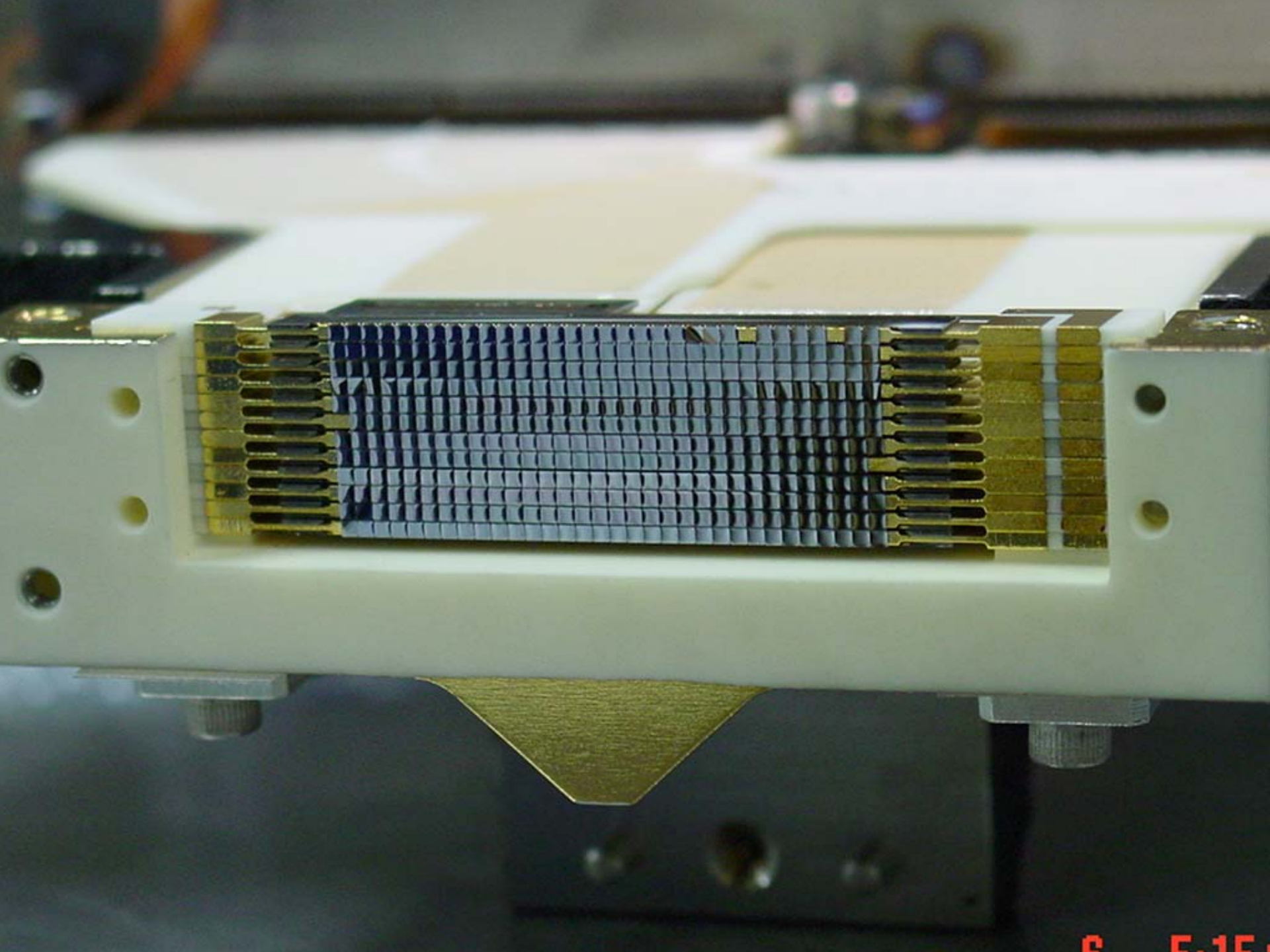
2.6 mm

# Boomerang Optics

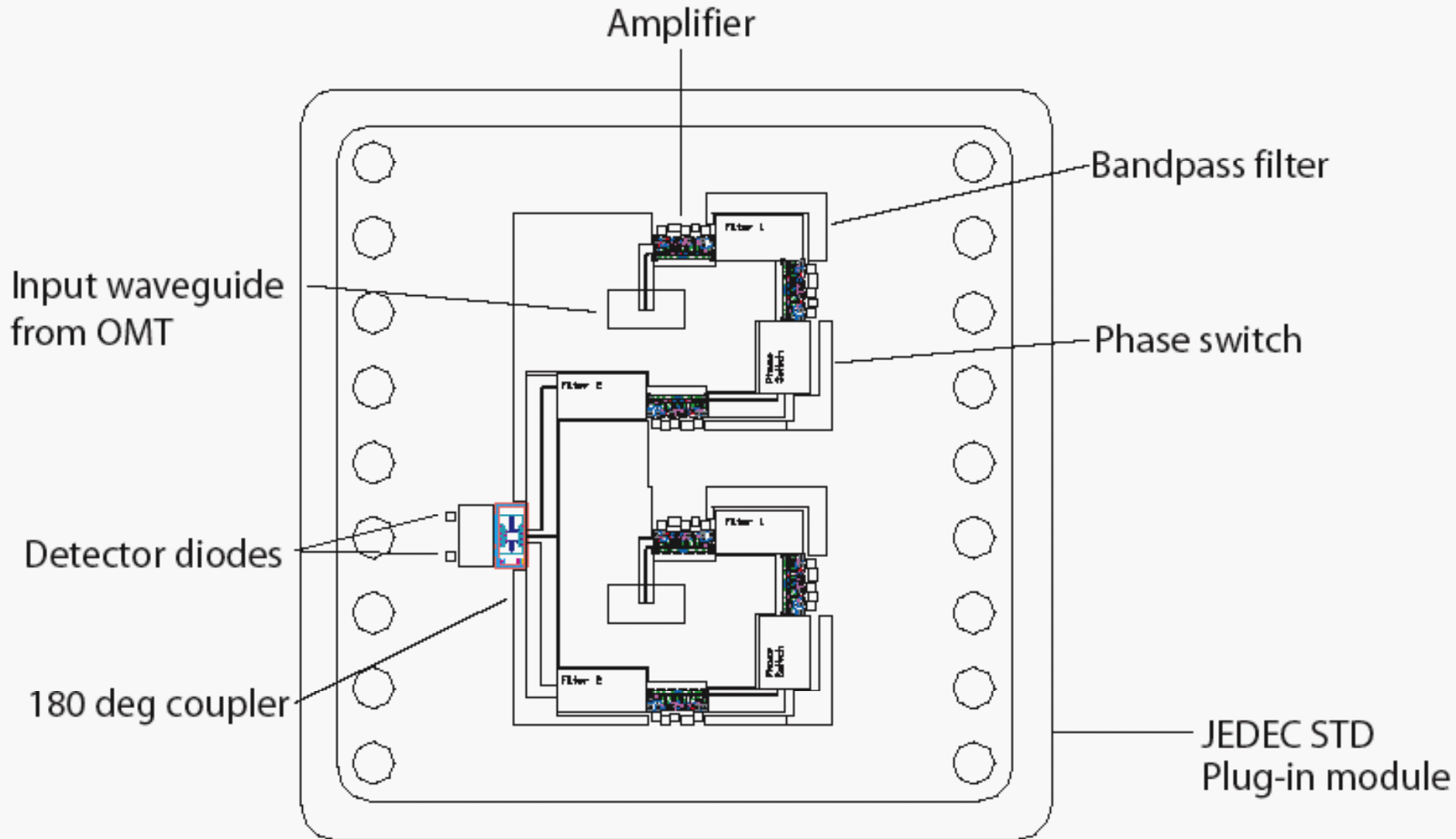


←  $\approx 25$  cm →

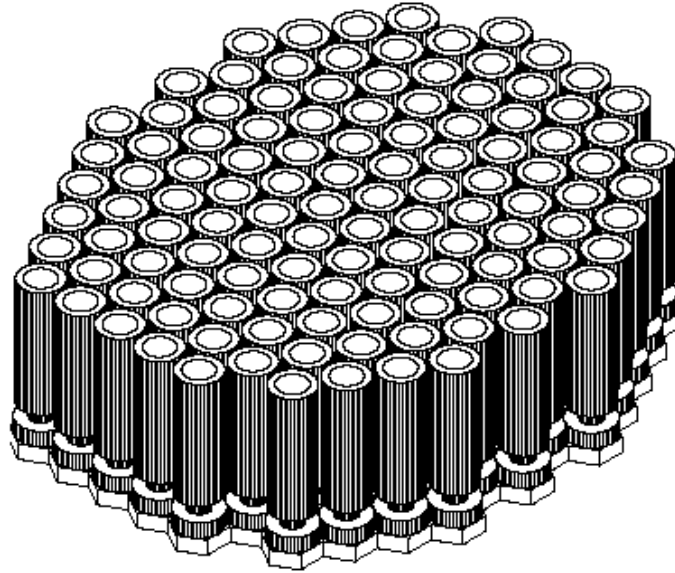




# Radiometer on a Chip



# Q/U Imaging Experiment (QUIET) Array Development Schedule



Functional 90 GHz “Q” Element Prototype: 10/03  $\sim 500 \mu\text{K}\sqrt{\text{s}/\text{Q}}$

91 Element Array: 9/04  $\sim 50 \mu\text{K}\sqrt{\text{s}/\text{Q}}$

1000 Element Q/U Arrays: 2005  $\sim 10 \mu\text{K}\sqrt{\text{s}/\text{Q}}$

# $\nu$ Masses and the CMB

- Non-zero mass changes time ( $z$ ) of decoupling
- Relevant scale is  $T_{\text{dec}} \cong 0.30 \text{ eV}$ 
  - 0.26 eV limit
- Non-zero mass affects (delays) structure formation
  - Effect on lensing of the CMB
  - Claimed possible to get to 0.03 eV
    - Range suggested by atmospheric neutrinos

# Two Additional Topics

- SUSY

- $\Omega_{\text{cdm}}$  limits imply tighter limits on the mass of the LSP

- Sensitivity to trans-Planckian physics?

- modes we detect started with wavelengths smaller than the Planck length!

- Models of such physics can be limited by precise cmb measurements

# Final Thoughts on the Future

- What is the scale of Inflation?
  - Anything to do with GU?
- Does slow-roll make sense?
- Analogies to proton decay
  - Is CMB lensing like  $\nu$  physics?
- Three NASA “Inflation Probe” studies are underway; MANY other experiments
- No sign yet of the curve rolling over!