

Title: Dipoles in the Sky

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Abstract: The standard cosmological model posits that the universe is homogeneous and statistically isotropic on its largest scales. However, there is no fundamental reason why these properties have to hold, and in fact they can be broken due to interesting new physics. Moreover, there is some evidence from recent WMAP observations for 'anomalies' - including departures from statistical isotropy - on the largest observable scales. Large-scale structure (LSS) - including the distribution of galaxies in the universe - presents a new frontier in testing statistical isotropy and homogeneity, and we are entering an epoch with orders-of-magnitude improvement in the statistics of LSS. In this talk I first review general tests of statistical isotropy using LSS. I then describe results from research done in collaboration with my student Cameron Gibelyou on testing aspects of the statistical isotropy - in particular, dipolar modulations of the galaxy counts - using existing LSS surveys.

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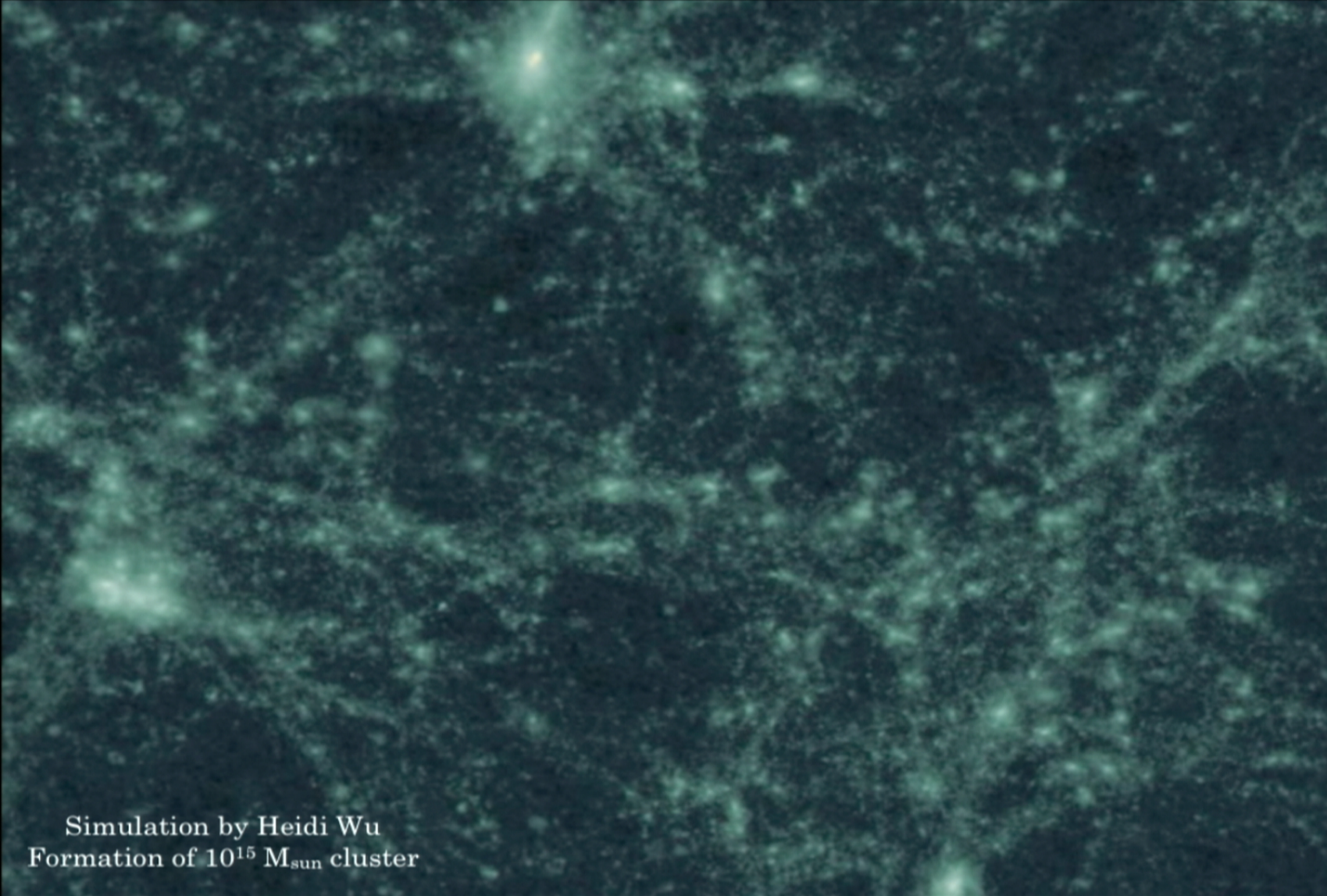
Work with Cameron Gibelyou  
(Michigan PhD April 2012)





# Fundamental Physics from LSS

- Amount, clustering of Cold Dark Matter
- Expansion history ( $\Leftrightarrow$  dark energy)
- Modified Gravity ( $\Leftrightarrow$  dark energy)
- Self-interactions of dark matter
- Neutrino masses ( $\sum m_\nu \leq 0.3 \text{ eV}$ )
- Features in inflationary potential
- Primordial non-Gaussianity of density perturbations
- Statistical isotropy of the universe



Simulation by Heidi Wu  
Formation of  $10^{15} M_{\text{sun}}$  cluster

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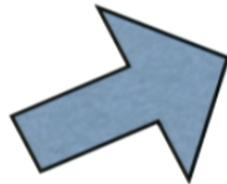
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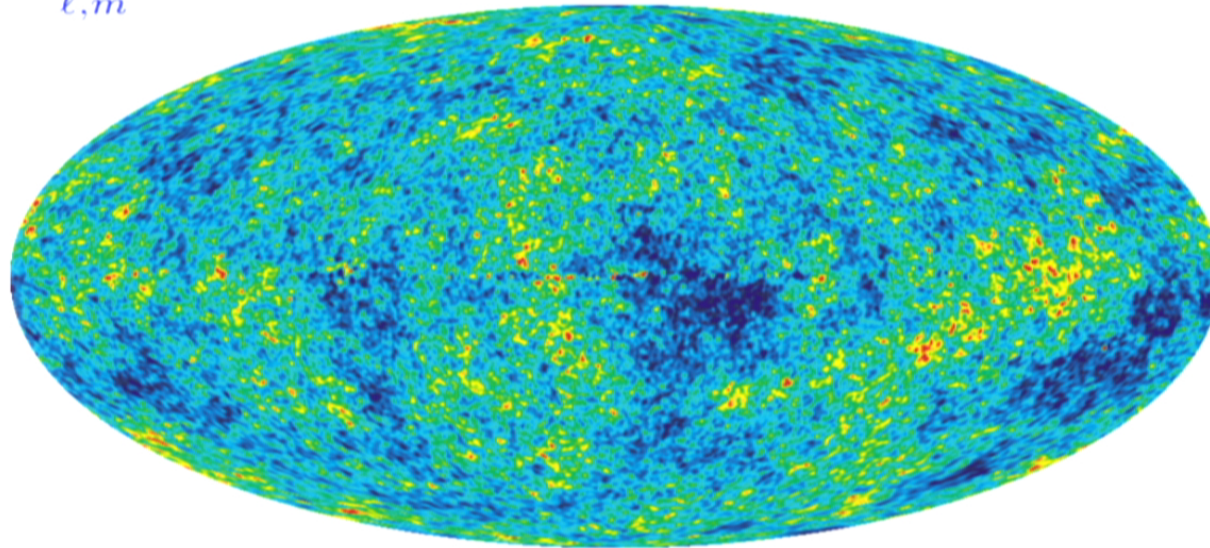
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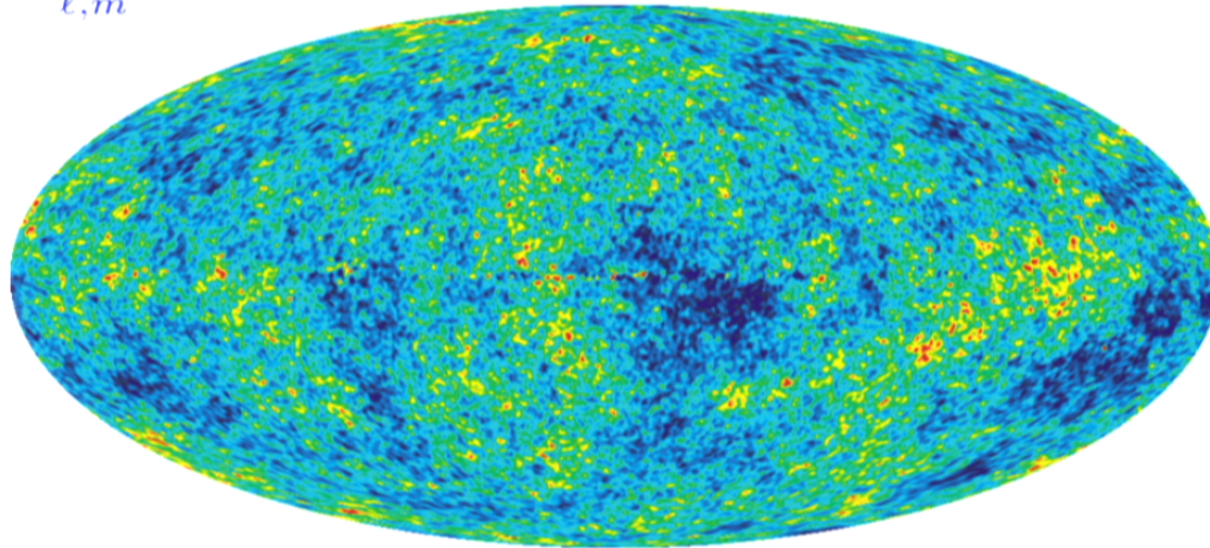
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# Statistical Isotropy simplified:

T = fluctuating field on the sky

Statistically Isotropic:  $\langle T(\hat{\mathbf{n}})T(\hat{\mathbf{n}}') \rangle = C(\hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}')$

NOT Stat. Isotropic:  $\langle T(\hat{\mathbf{n}})T(\hat{\mathbf{n}}') \rangle = C(\hat{\mathbf{n}}, \hat{\mathbf{n}}')$

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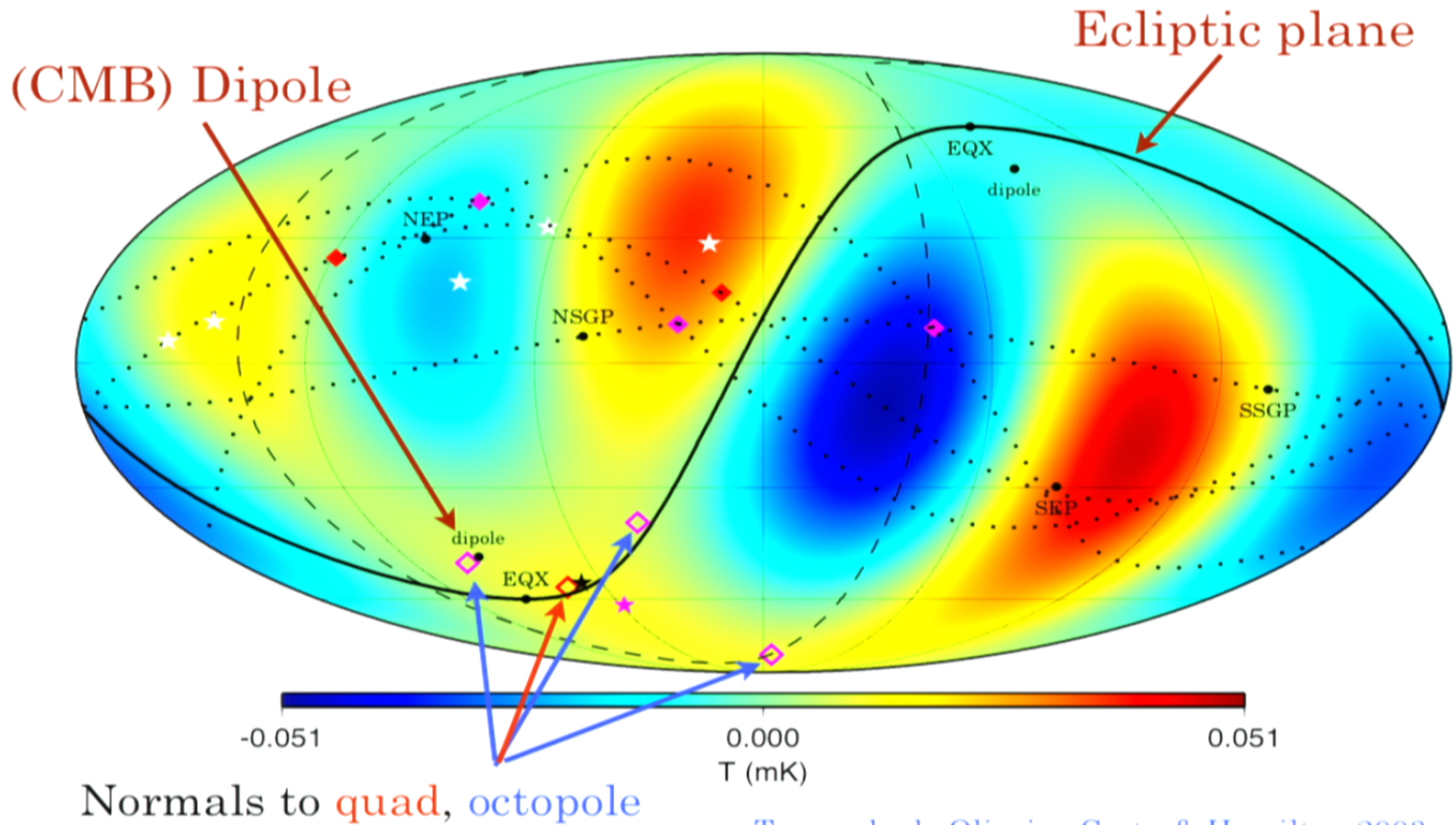
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Assuming SI, we get most results in cosmology  
(e.g. average  $2\ell+1$ ) modes for each  $\ell$  across the sky



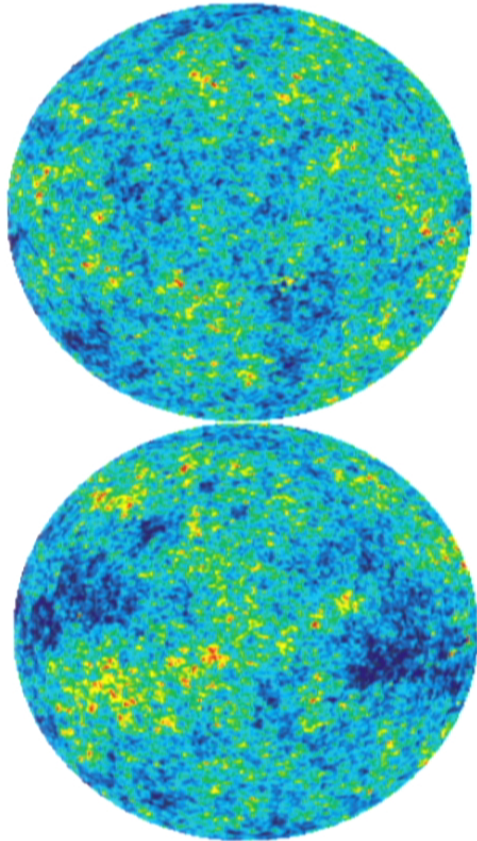
# CMB large-angle “anomalies”

# L=2+3 alignments

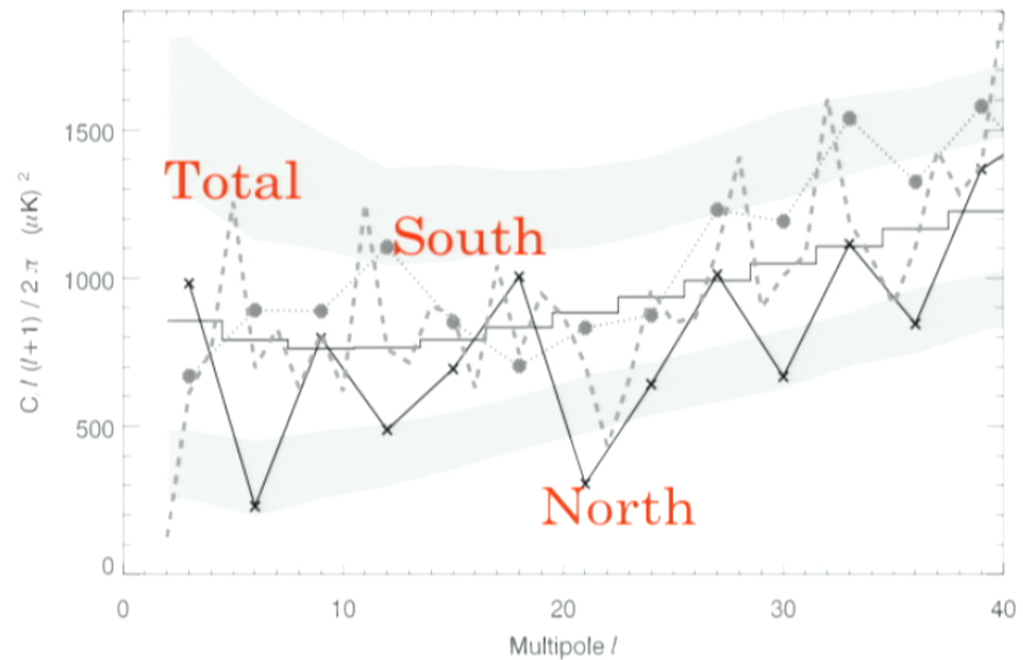


Tegmark, de Oliveira-Costa & Hamilton 2003  
Schwarz, Starkman, Huterer & Copi 2004, 06, 10

# N/S power asymmetry ("hemispherical anomaly")



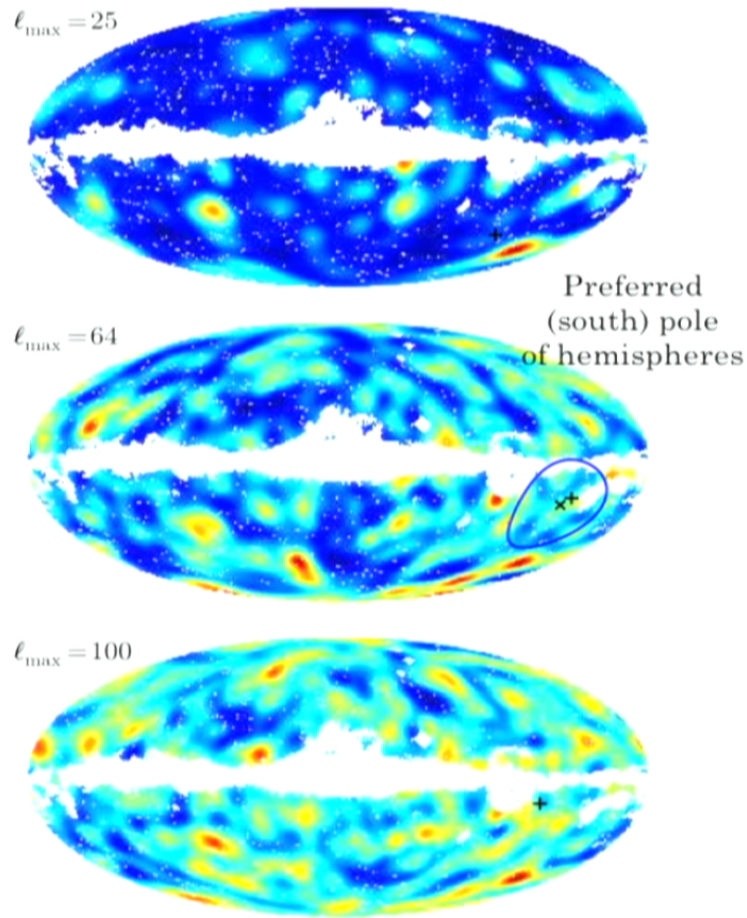
South (ecliptic) has  
more power than north



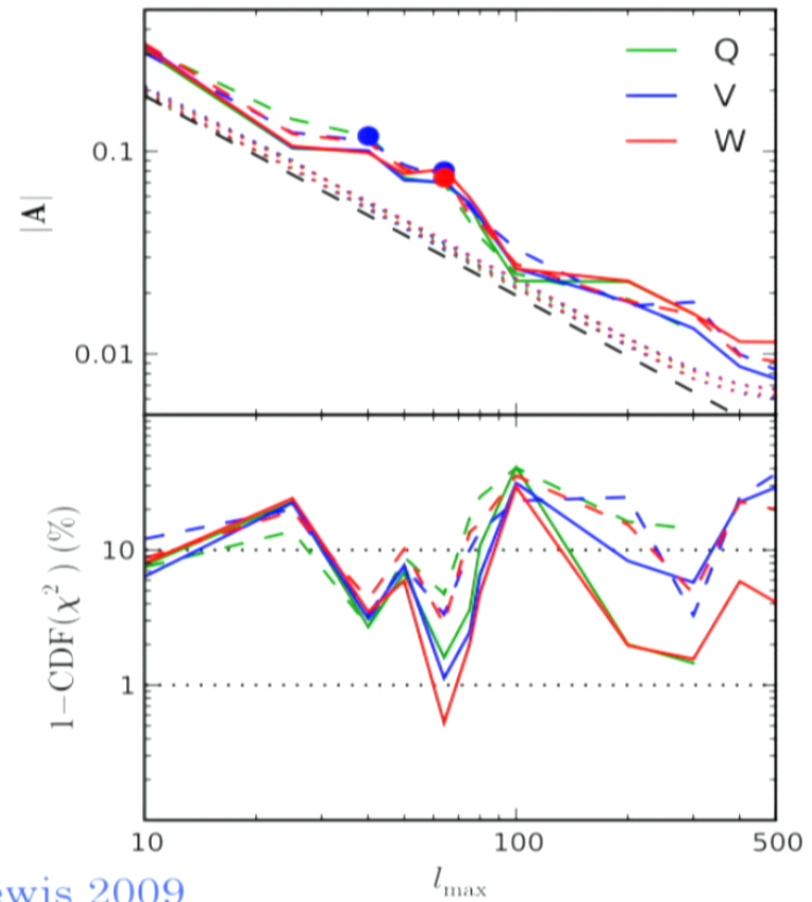
Eriksen et al 2004;  
Hansen, Banday and Gorski 2004



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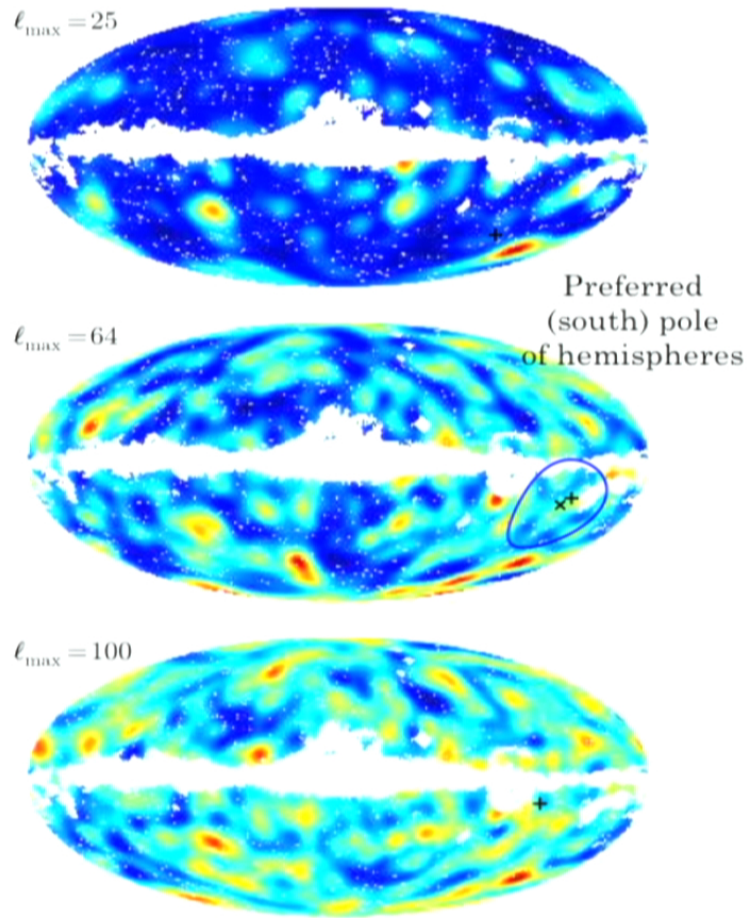


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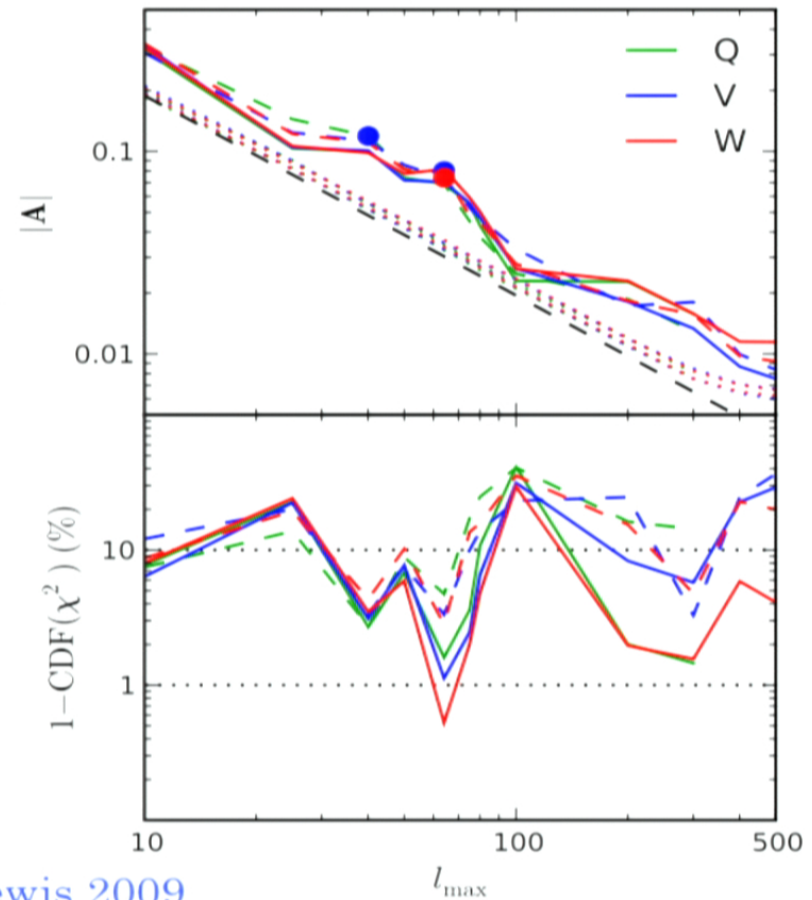


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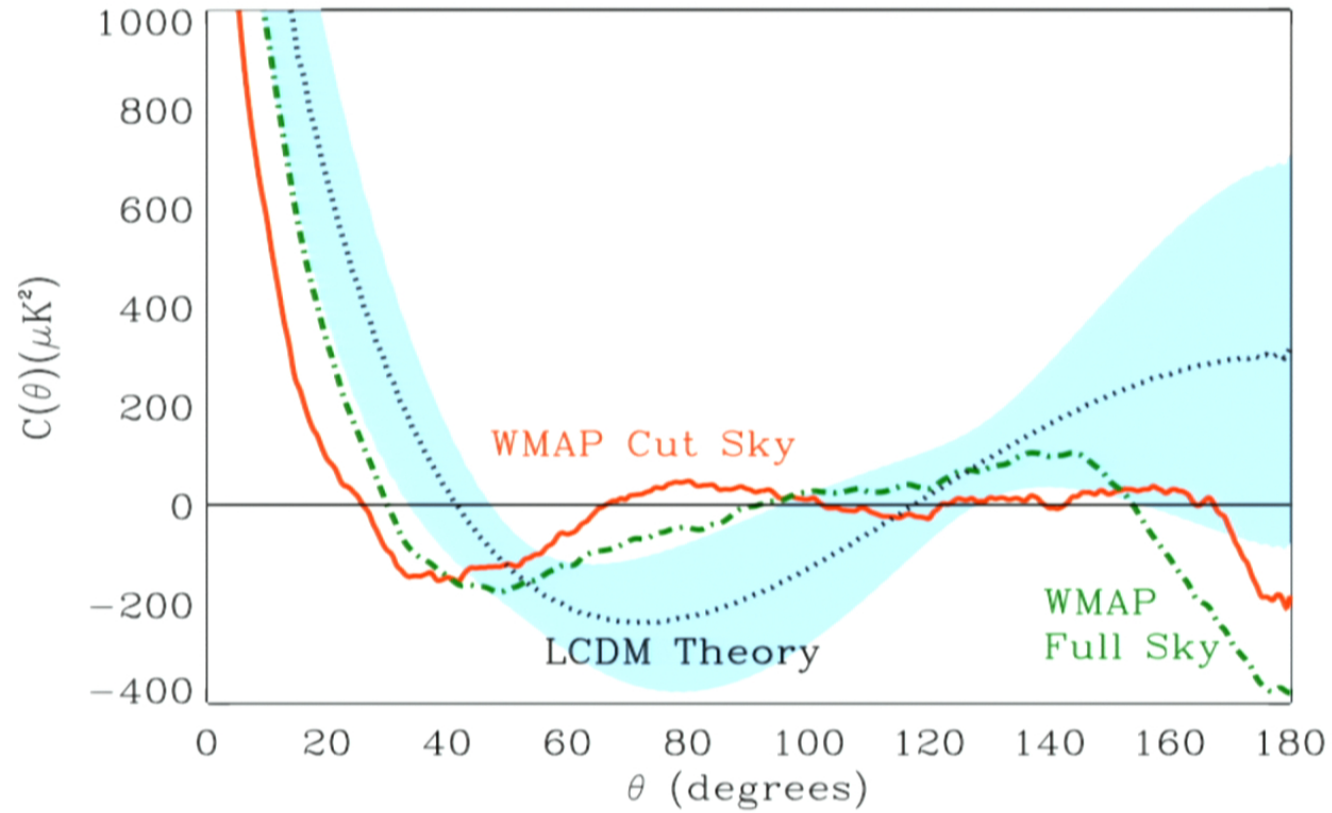


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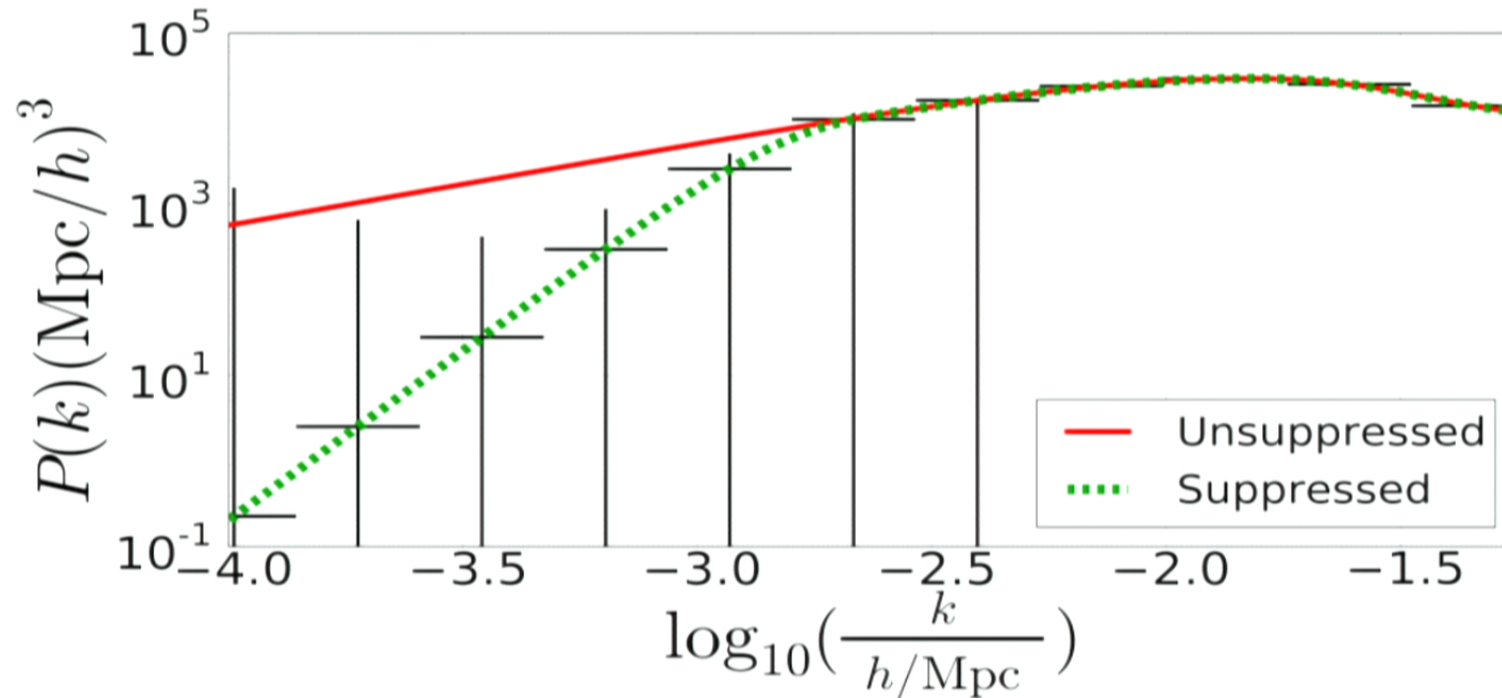
# Missing power above 60°



Hinshaw et al 1996 (COBE);  
Spergel et al 2003 (WMAP)  
Copi et al 2007, 2009; Sarkar et al 2010



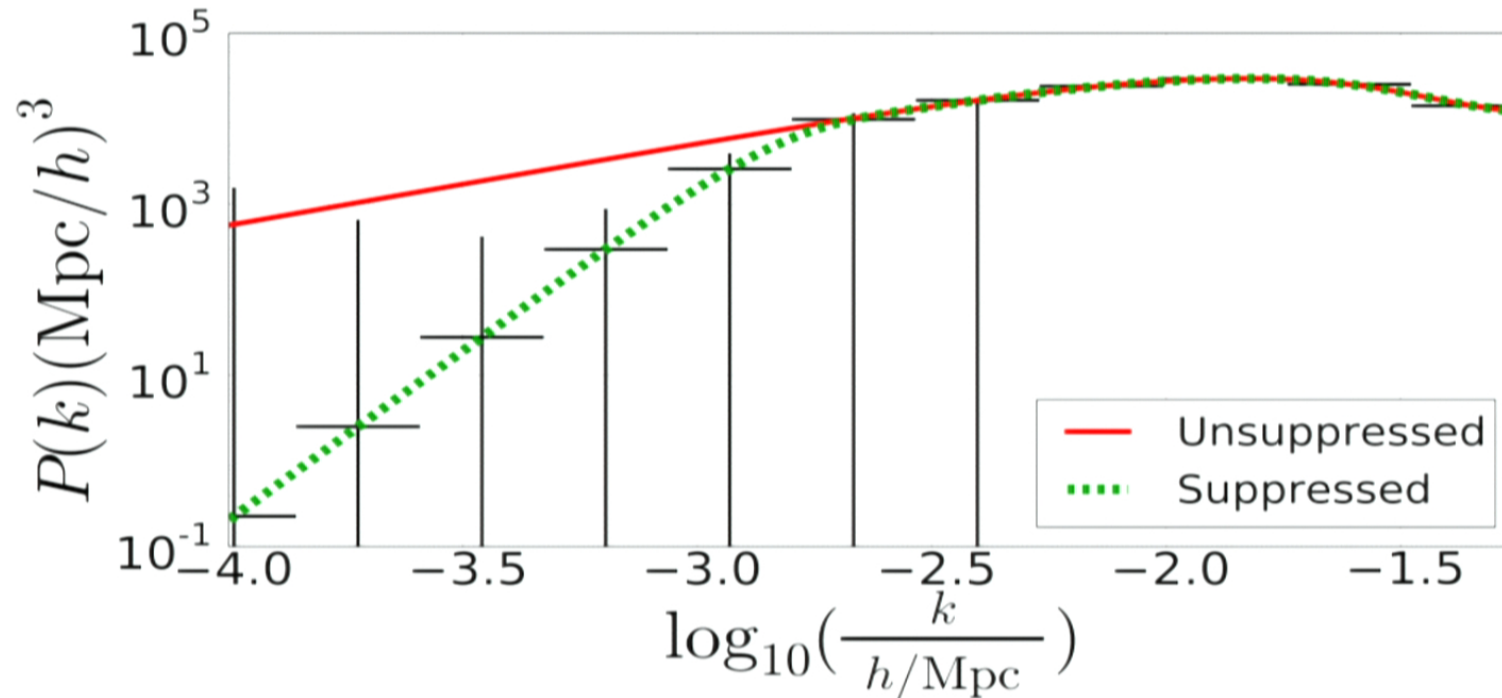
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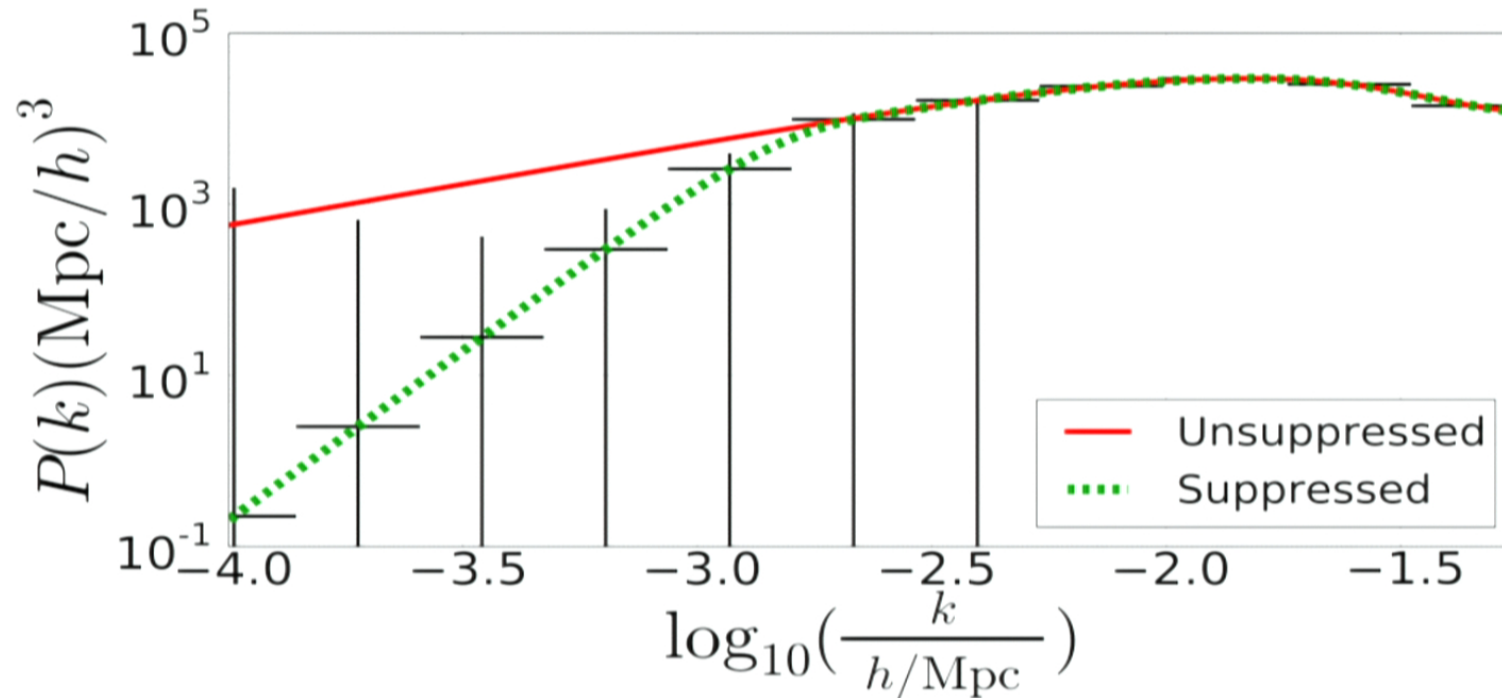


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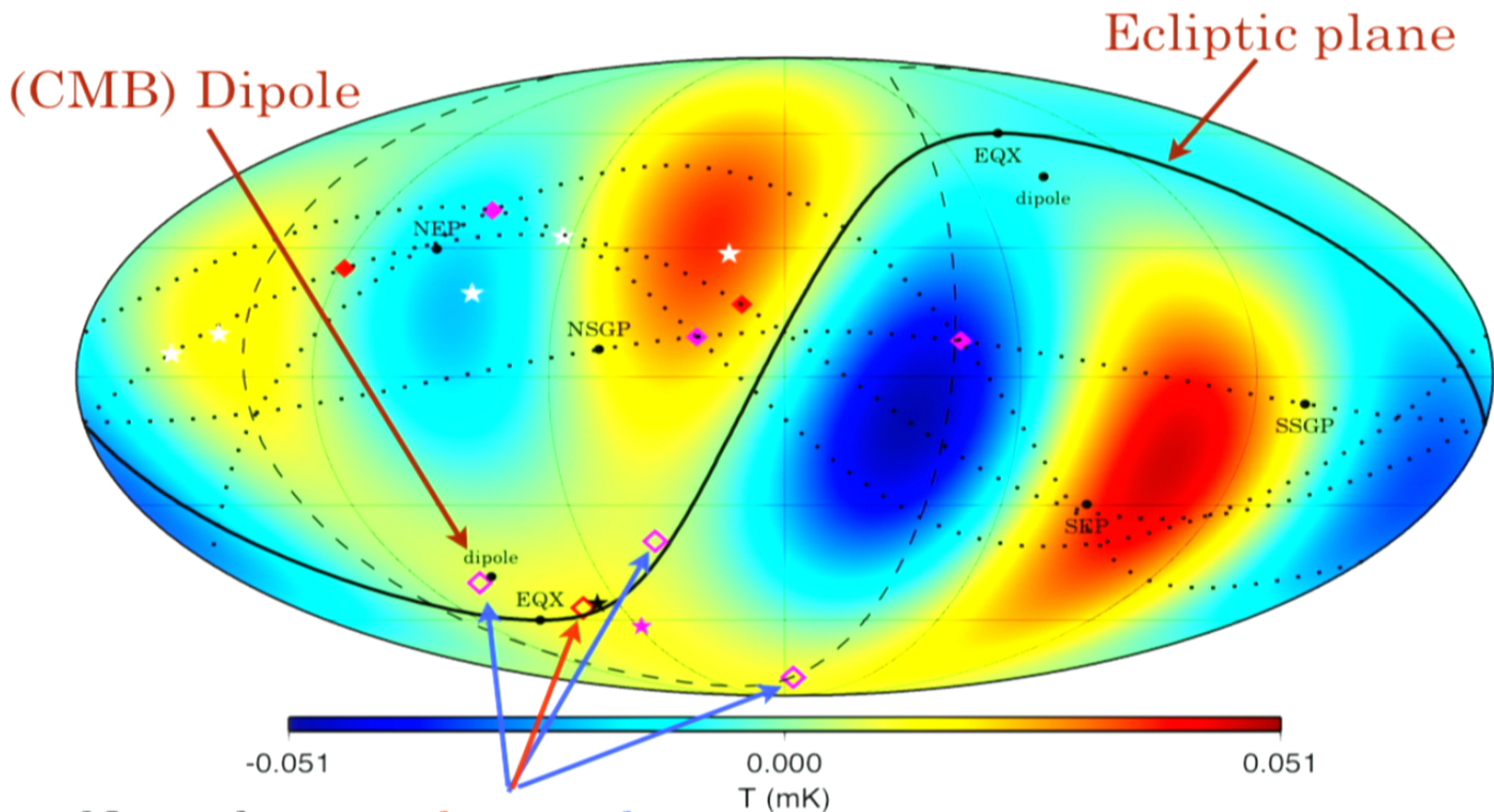
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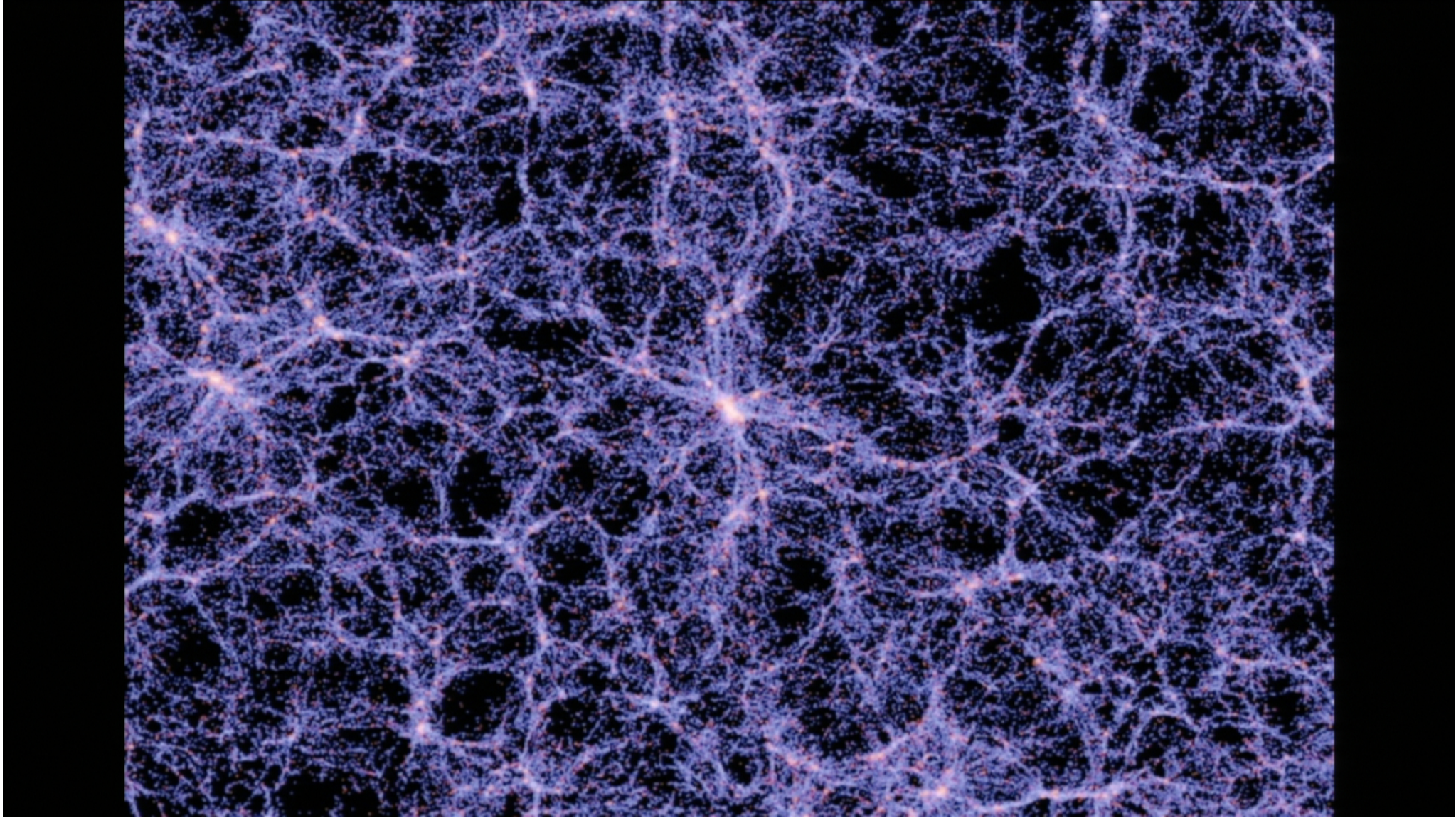
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# Kinematic Dipole: vital statistics

- Earth around Sun: speed ~ **30 km/s**, direction annually varying (Blake & Wall, 2002); values of CMB dipole are cited with this subtracted out, so that dipole is due only to Sun's velocity wrt CMB
- Sun around Galaxy: speed ~ **220 km/s** (or more precisely, Sun with respect to Local Standard of Rest, and LSR with respect to Milky Way (Itoh, Yahata, Takada, 2010), direction (l,b) = (90,0) (Courteau and van den Bergh, 1999)
- Sun with respect to the Local Group: speed ~ **306 km/s**, direction (l,b) = (99, -4) +/- (5, 4) (Courteau and van den Bergh, 1999; see their Table 2 for historical details)
- Local Group with respect to CMB (peculiar velocity): speed ~ **622 km/s**, direction (l,b) = (272, 28) (Maller et al., 2003, computed using Courteau and van den Bergh's value for Sun wrt LG) (peculiar velocity predicted from linear-theory LCDM ~ 470 km/s)
- Overall CMB kinematic dipole: speed ~ **370 km/s**, direction (l,b) = (264.4, 48.4) (Kogut et al., 1993) (note that the speed would be higher if not for the fact that the above two vectors point in near-opposite directions)







A visualization of the cosmic web, showing a complex network of blue and purple filaments and nodes against a black background. Two yellow rectangular boxes are overlaid on the image. The larger box is centered and contains the text "Expect larger local structure power". Inside this larger box, there is a smaller, nested yellow box that is also centered and contains the text "Expect smaller local structure power".

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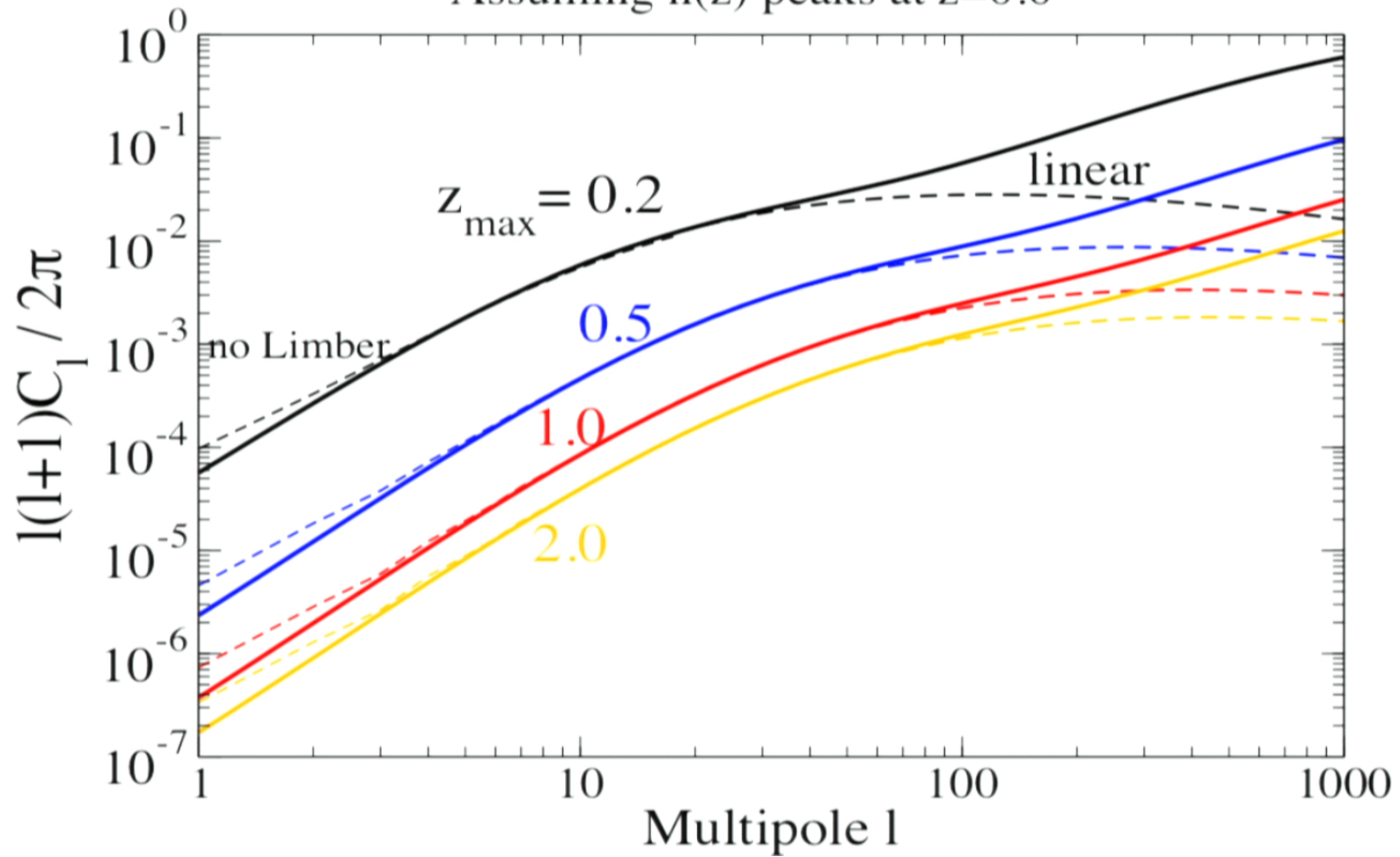
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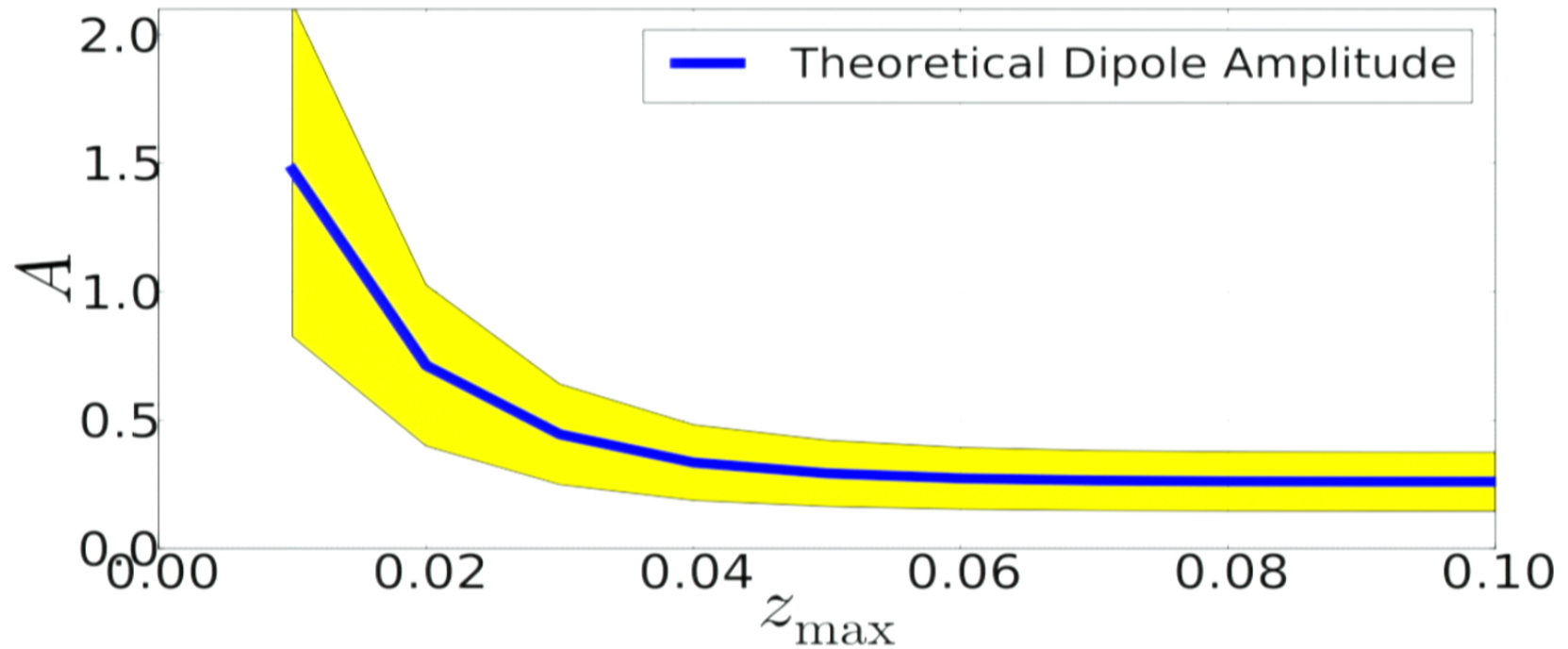
$$\sigma(C_\ell) = \sqrt{\frac{2}{(2\ell + 1) f_{\text{sky}}}} C_\ell = \text{cosmic variance error}$$



# Expected power spectrum of LSS

Assuming  $n(z)$  peaks at  $z=0.6$





(not actually converging in this plot  
since there we run out of fewer galaxies at higher  $z$   
in this sample)

In literature, usually:  
flux-weighted dipole

$$\mathbf{v} = \frac{2f(\Omega_M)}{3H_0\Omega_M} \mathbf{g}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{g}(\mathbf{r}) &= \frac{G}{b} \int \rho_g(\mathbf{r}') \frac{\mathbf{r}' - \mathbf{r}}{|\mathbf{r}' - \mathbf{r}|^3} d^3\mathbf{r}' = \frac{G}{b} \sum_i M_i \frac{\hat{\mathbf{r}}_i}{r_i^2} \\ &= \frac{4\pi G}{b} \sum_i \frac{M_i}{L_i} \frac{L_i}{4\pi r_i^2} \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i = \frac{4\pi G}{b} \sum_i \frac{M_i}{L_i} S_i \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i, \end{aligned}$$

Assume M/L is constant, weigh galaxies  
with measured flux  $S_i$  to get  $\mathbf{g}$

# Why you might not get convergence to the kinematic dipole...

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Hirata 2009

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Dipole modulation  
of number counts

Systematics templates  
( $k_i$  is amplitude)

Motivated by similar models suggested in  
context of the CMB, e.g.

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Gordon, Hu, Huterer, Crawford 2005

$$P_{\text{obs}}(\mathbf{k}) = P(k) [1 + w(\hat{\mathbf{k}})]$$

Ackerman, Carroll & Wise 2007  
Pullen & Kamionkiwski 2009



# Solution and an estimator:

Hirata 2009

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} = F^{-1}g$$

$$g_i = \sum_D T_i(\hat{n}_D) - \frac{N_D}{N_R} \sum_R T_i(\hat{n}_R)$$

$$F_{ij} = \frac{N_D}{N_R} \sum_R T_i(\hat{n}_R) T_j(\hat{n}_R)$$

[where  $\mathbf{x} = (d_x, d_y, d_z, k_1, \dots, k_N, C)$ ]

If you want just amplitude marginalized over direction,  
that's easy too:

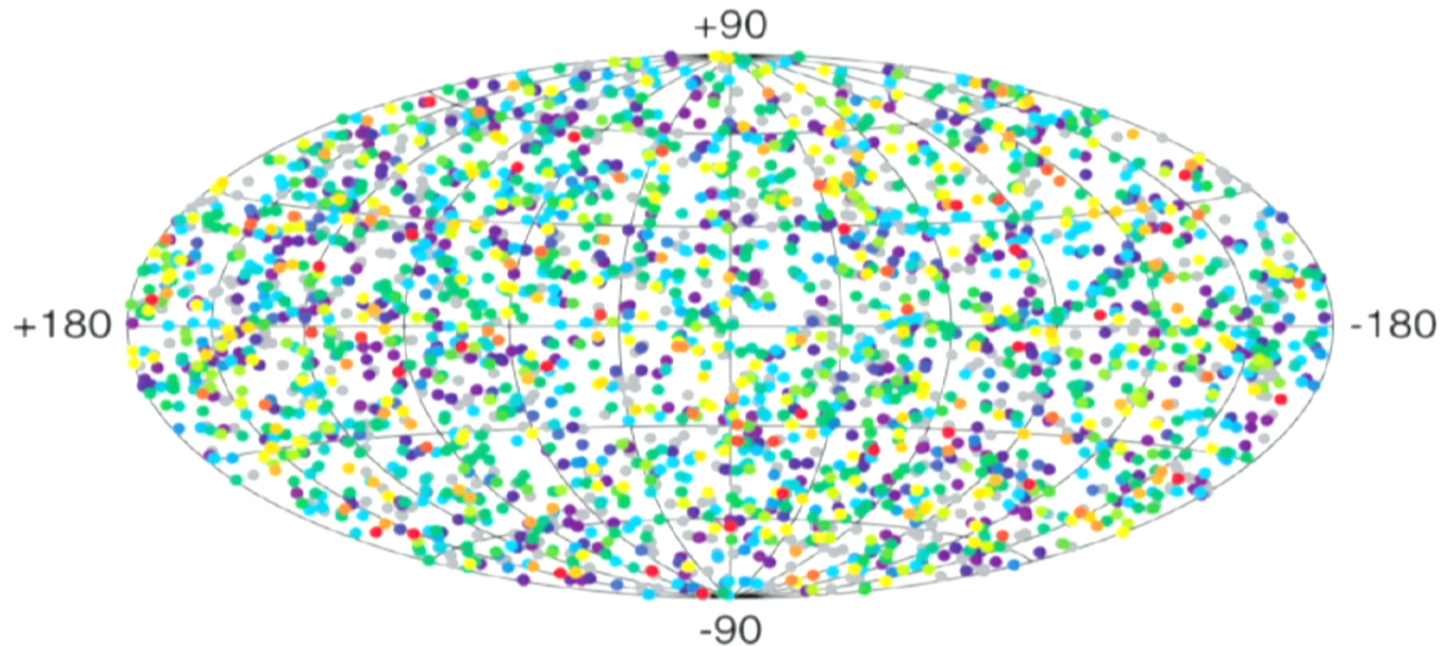
$$\mathcal{L}(A) \propto \int \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} (A\hat{d} - d_{\text{best}}) \text{Cov}^{-1} (A\hat{d} - d_{\text{best}}) \right] d^2 \hat{d}$$

# Surveys and Results

Gibelyou & Huterer 2012  
in preparation **and preliminary**

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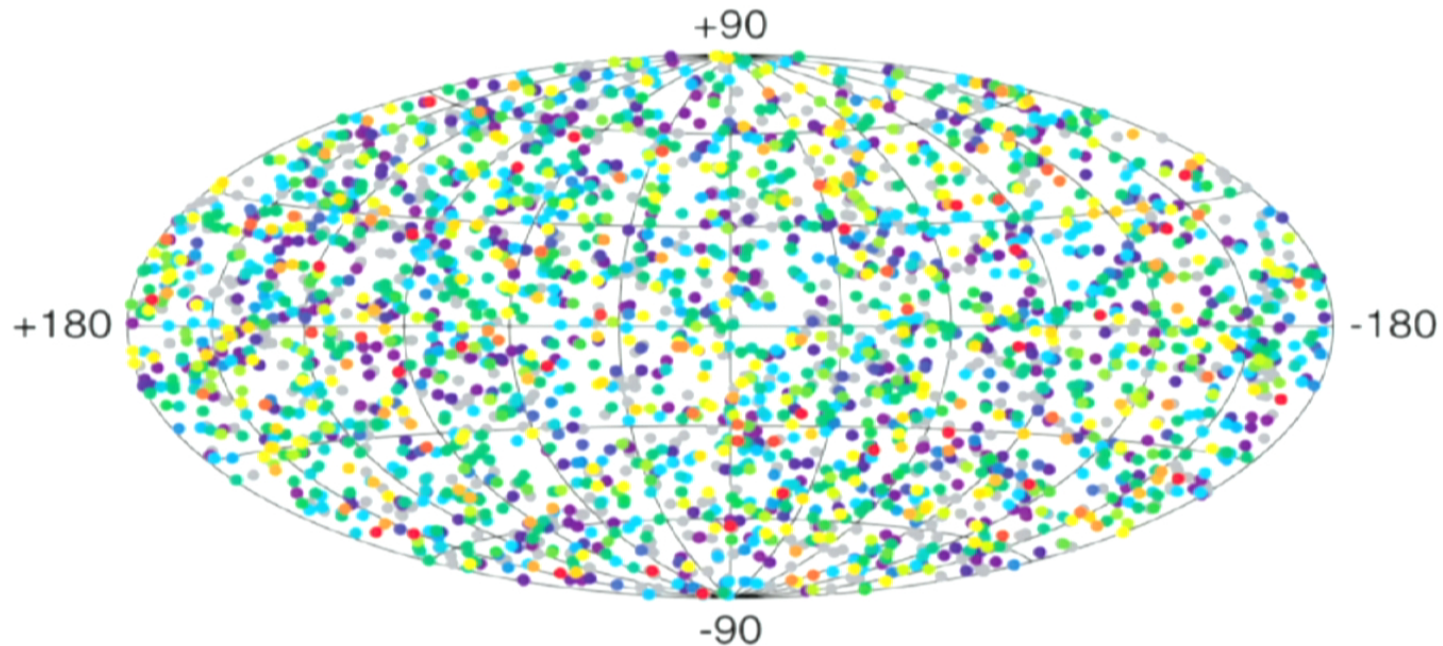
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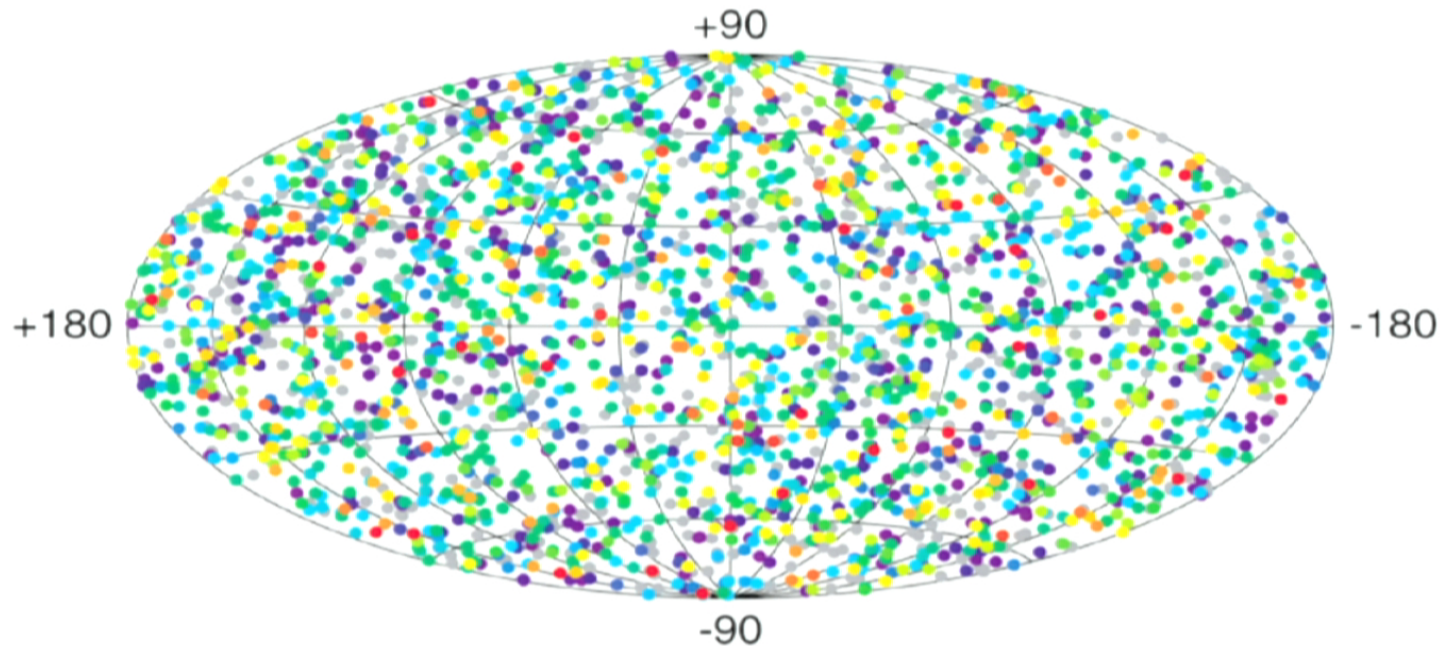
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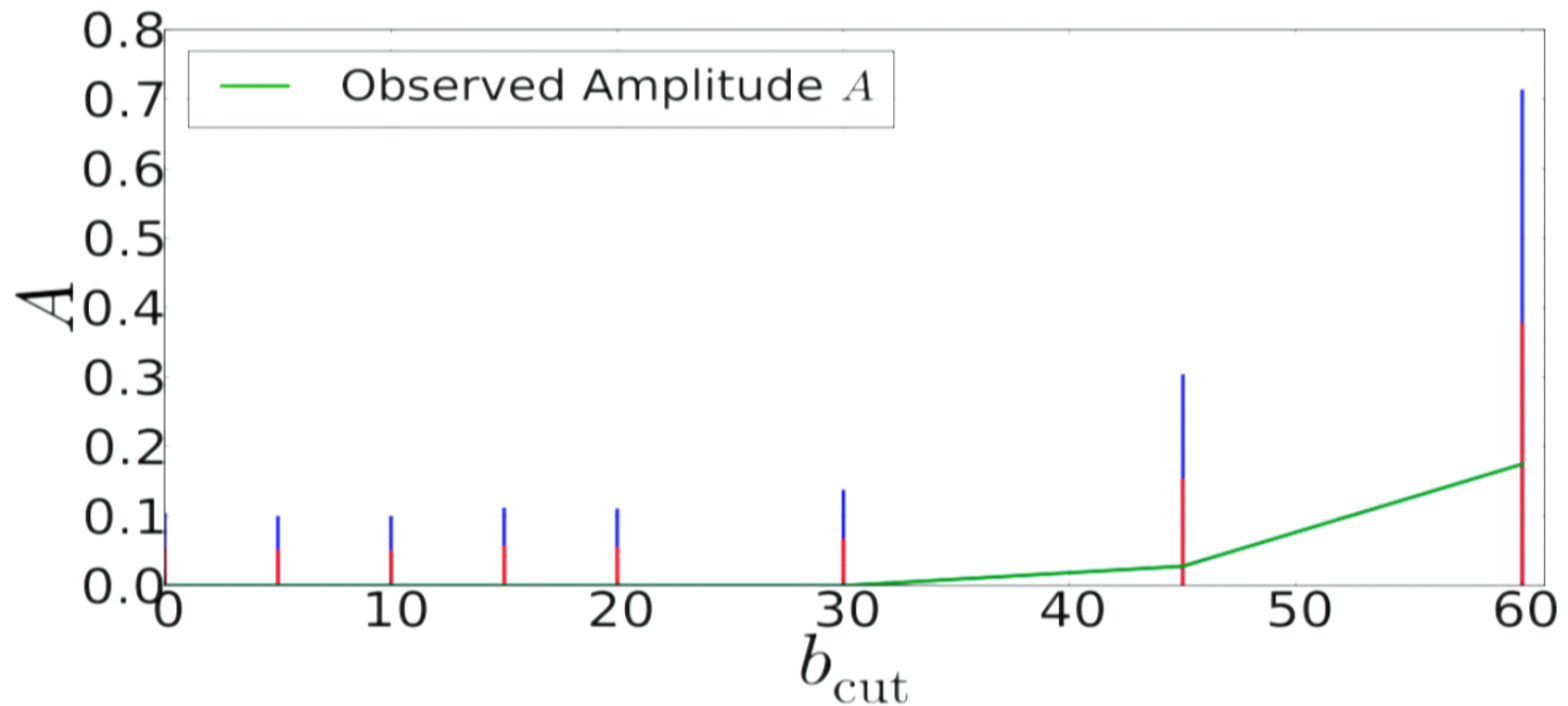
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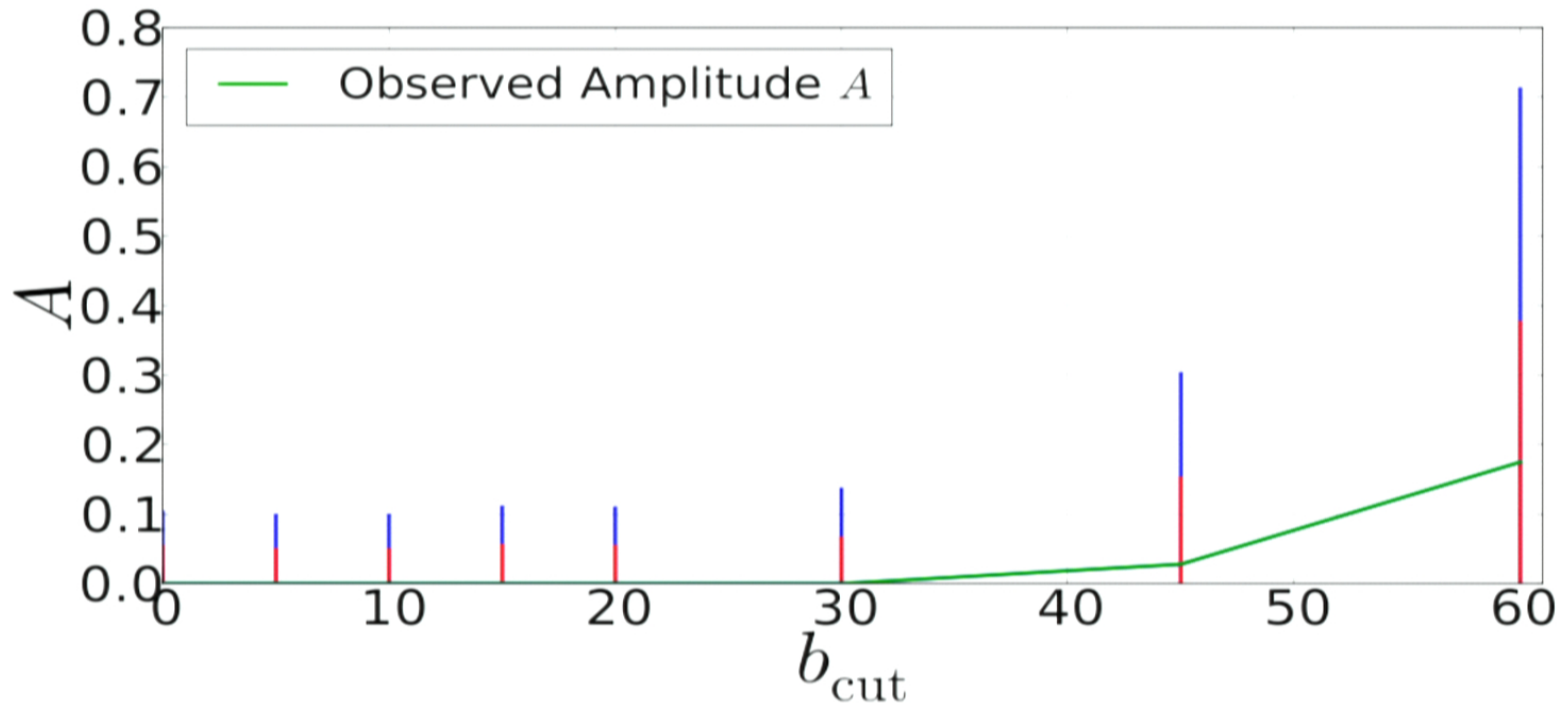


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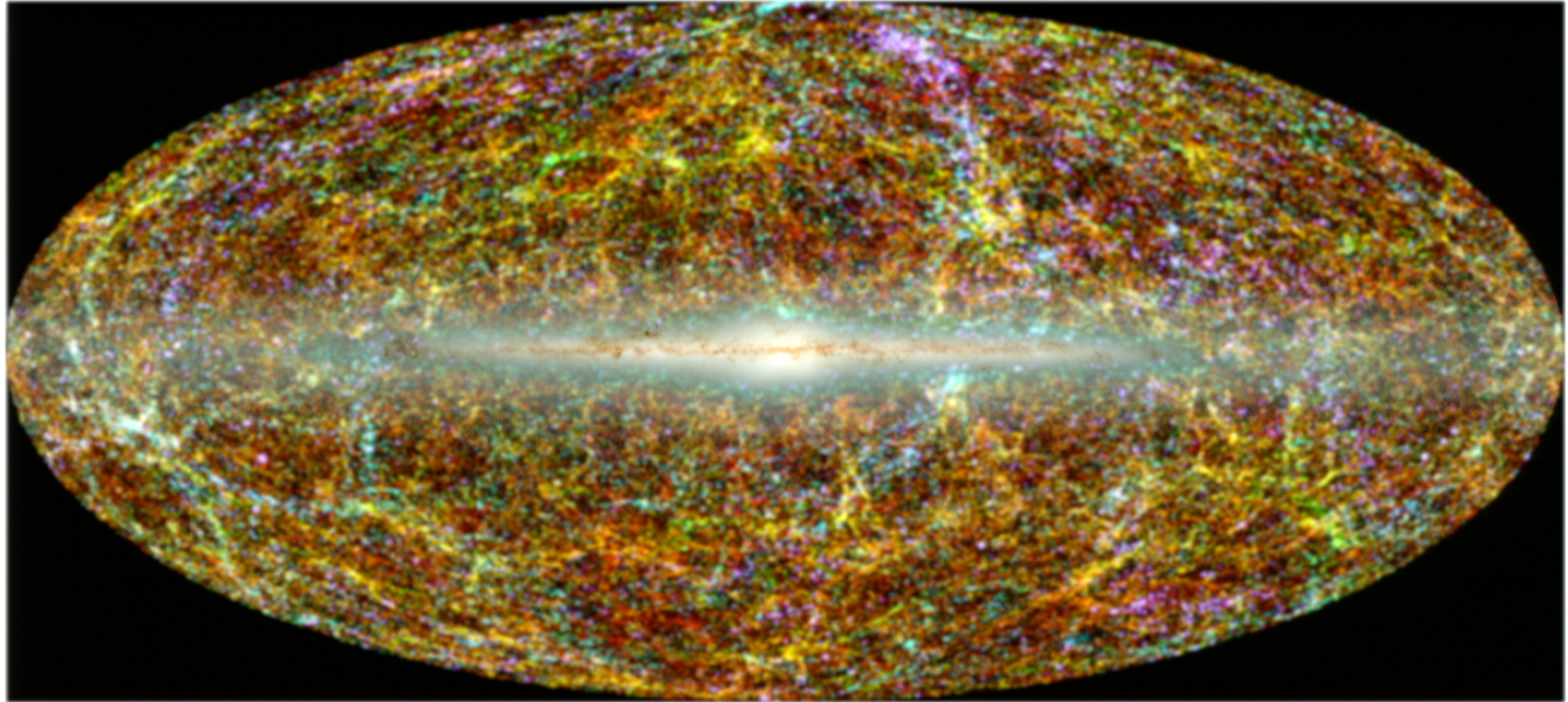
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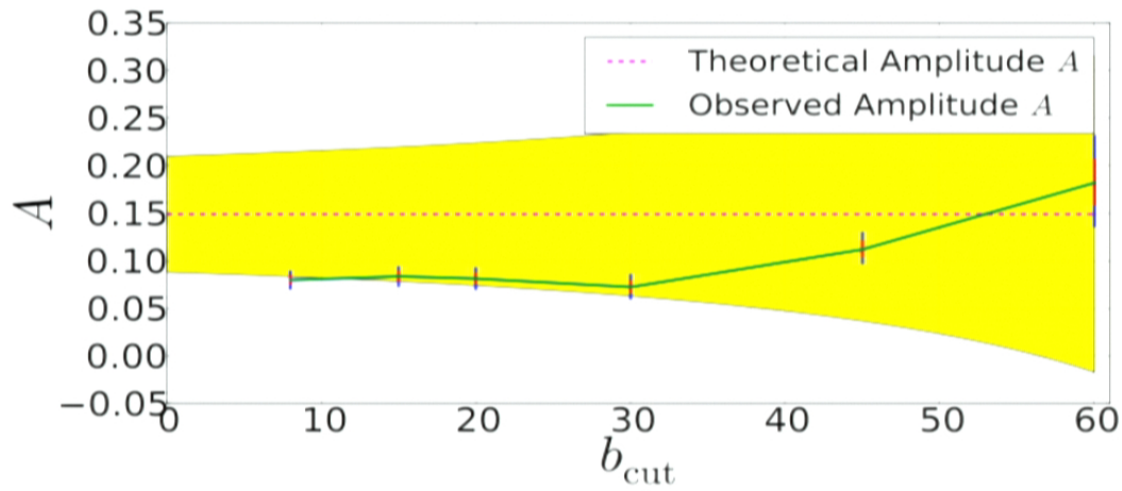
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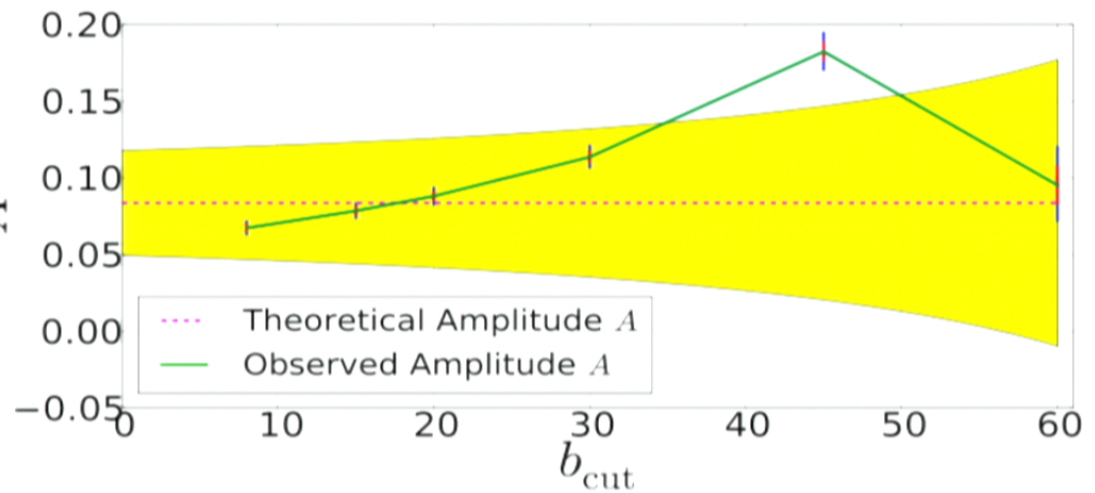


- ▶ Imaged 99.998% of sky at 1.25, 1.65 and 2.16 microns
- ▶ Extended Source Catalog: about 1.6 million extragalactic sources
- ▶ Mean redshift 0.05-0.07, depending on the cut (fainter  $\Rightarrow$  deeper)





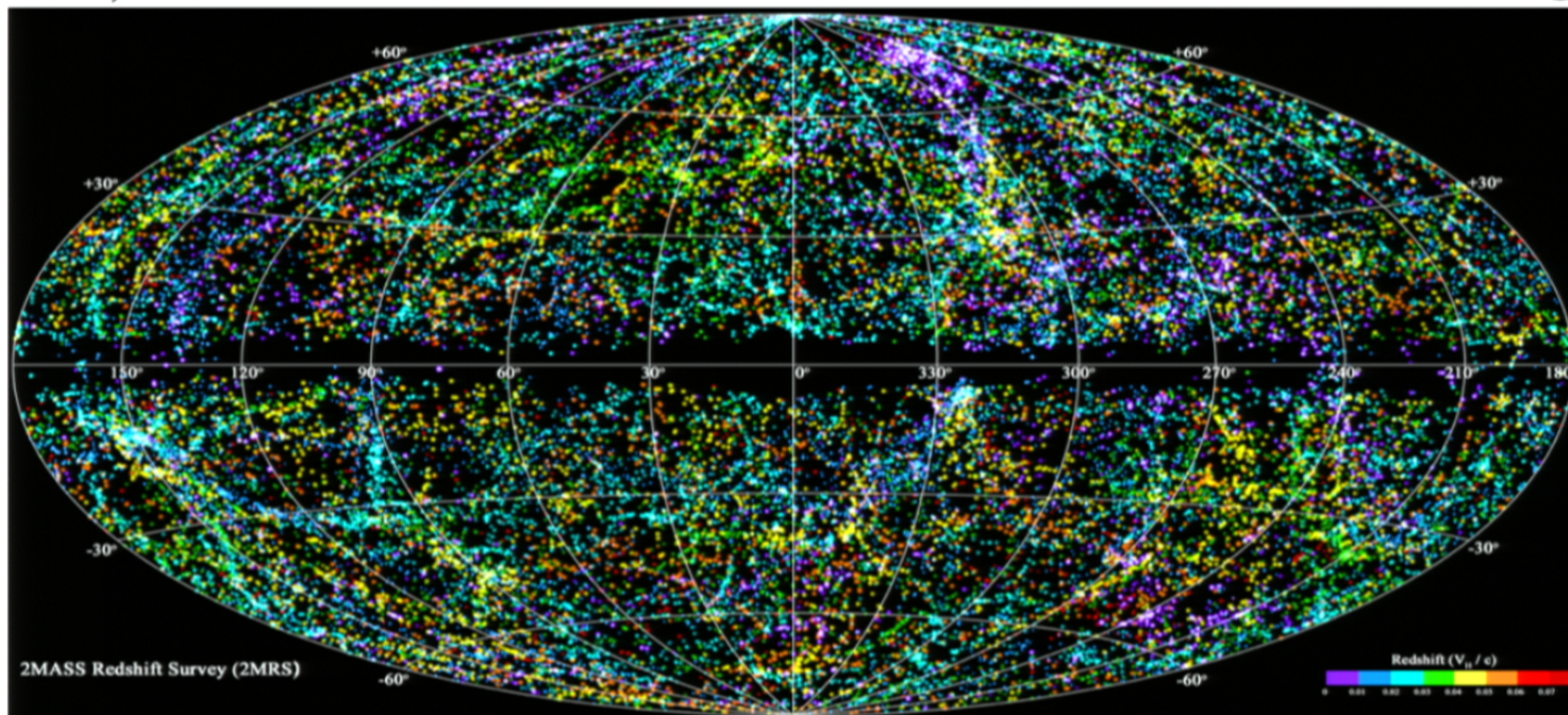
2MASS,  
K<sub>s</sub><13.5



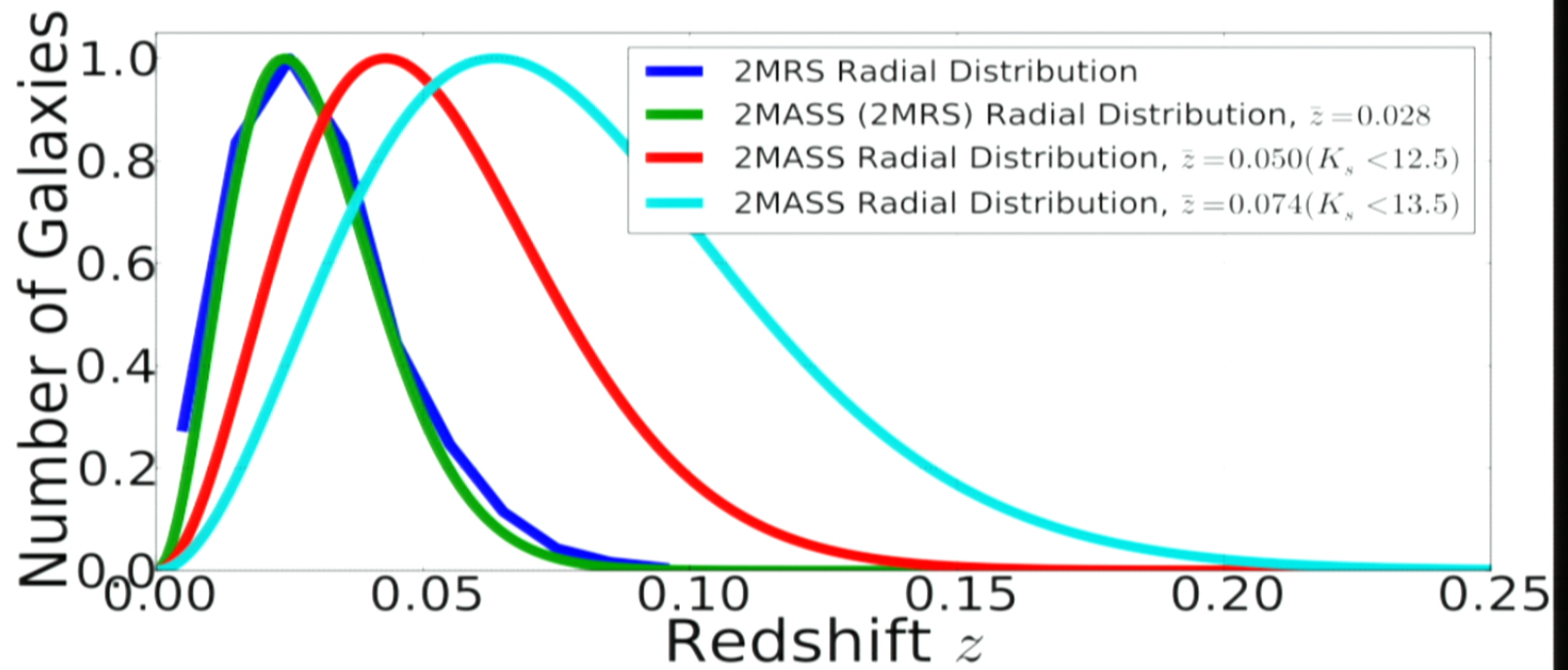
# 2MASS Redshift Survey (2MRS)

>40,000 redshifts

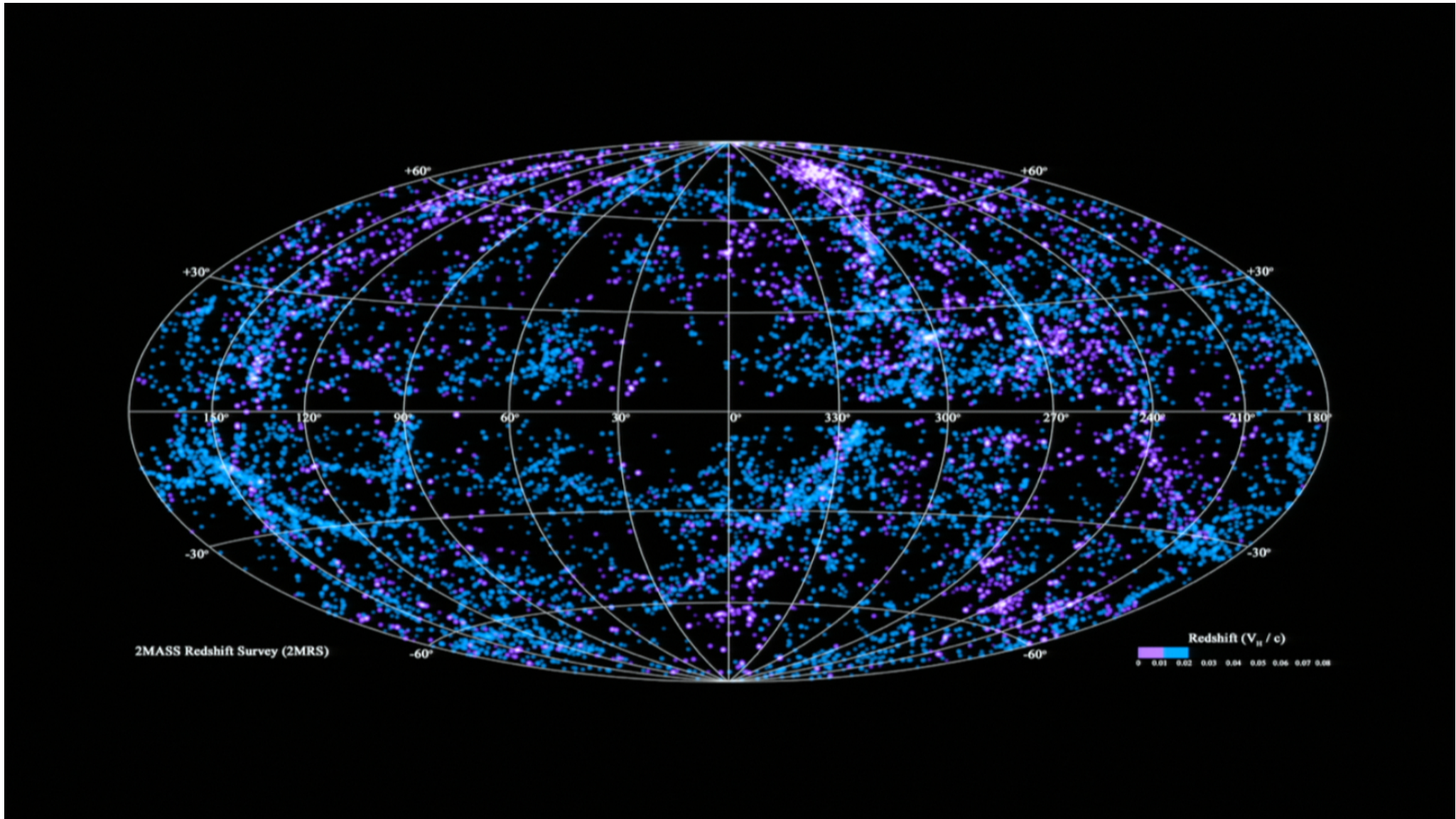
$K_s < 11.75$  mag



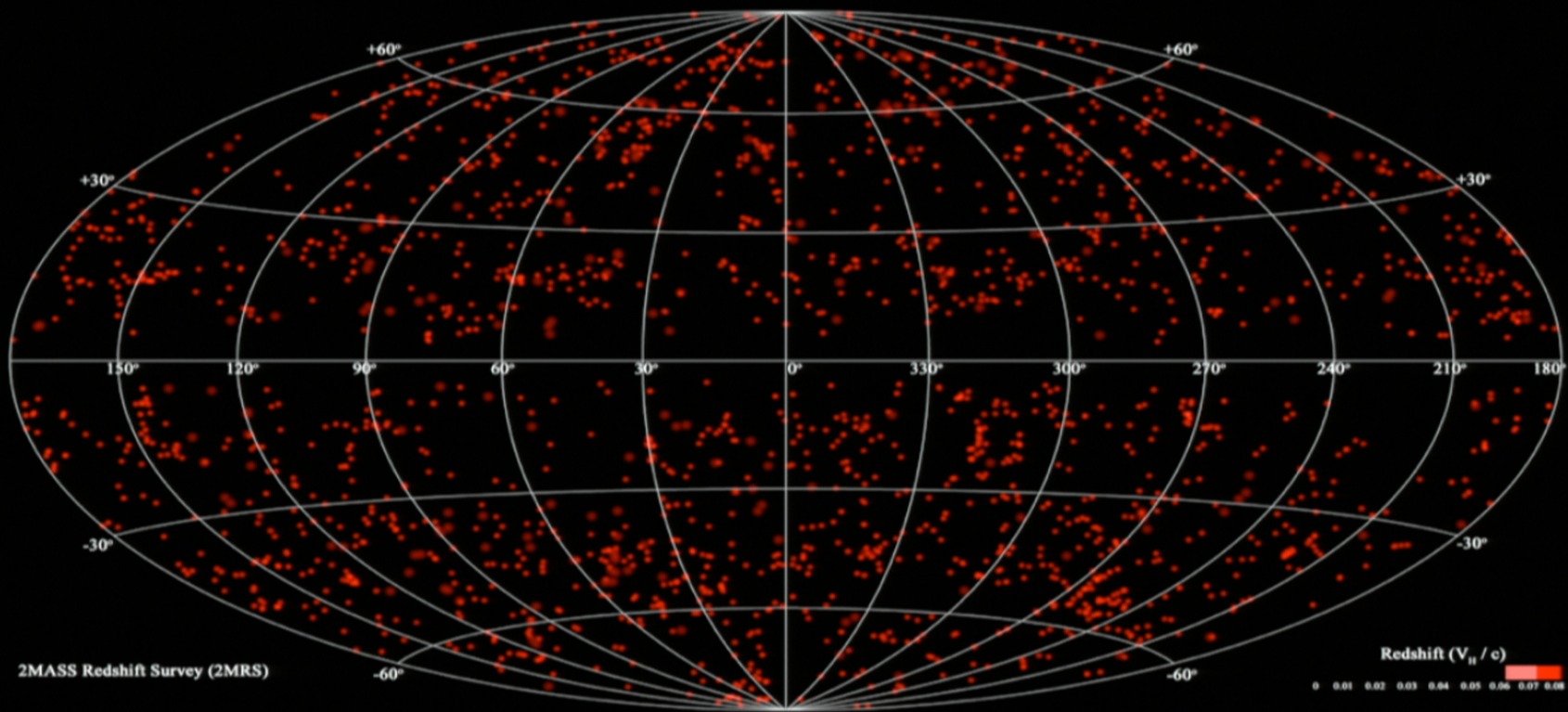
Huchra et al, arXiv:1108.0669





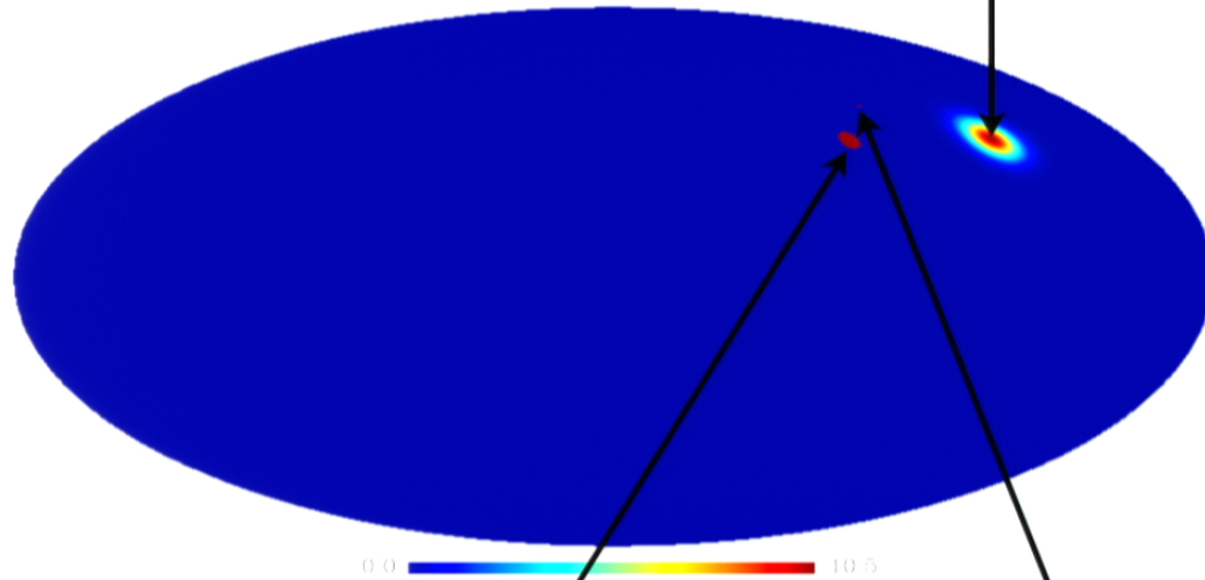






2D-projected local-structure dipole  
(this work) for 2MRS sample  
(in limit of large  $z$ , may converge to  
kinematic dipole)

Likelihood as a Function of Pixel, Marginalizing Over Dipole Amplitude



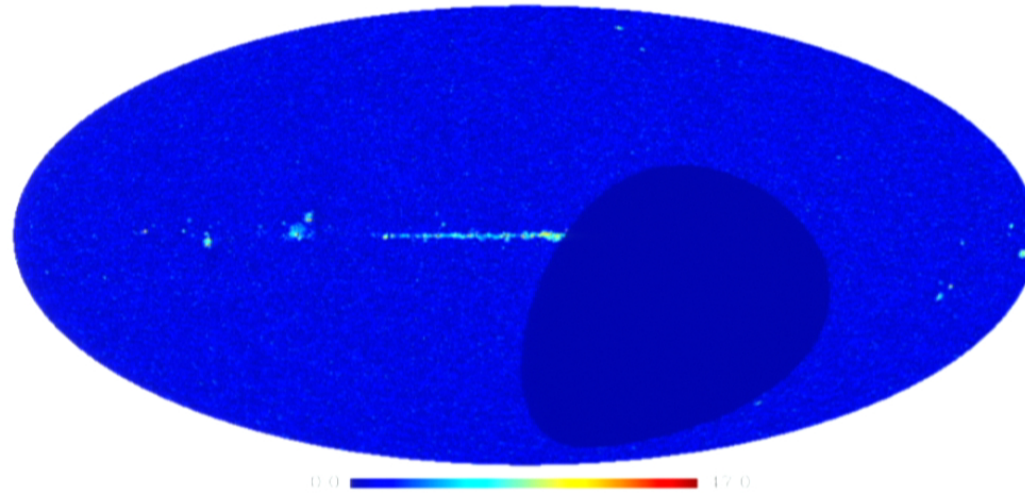
Flux-weighted local-structure  
dipole (Maller et al., 2003)  
(a measure of *acceleration*  
*due to gravity* for the *Local Group*)

CMB kinematic dipole (Kogut et al.)  
(a measure of the *velocity* of the  
*Sun*)



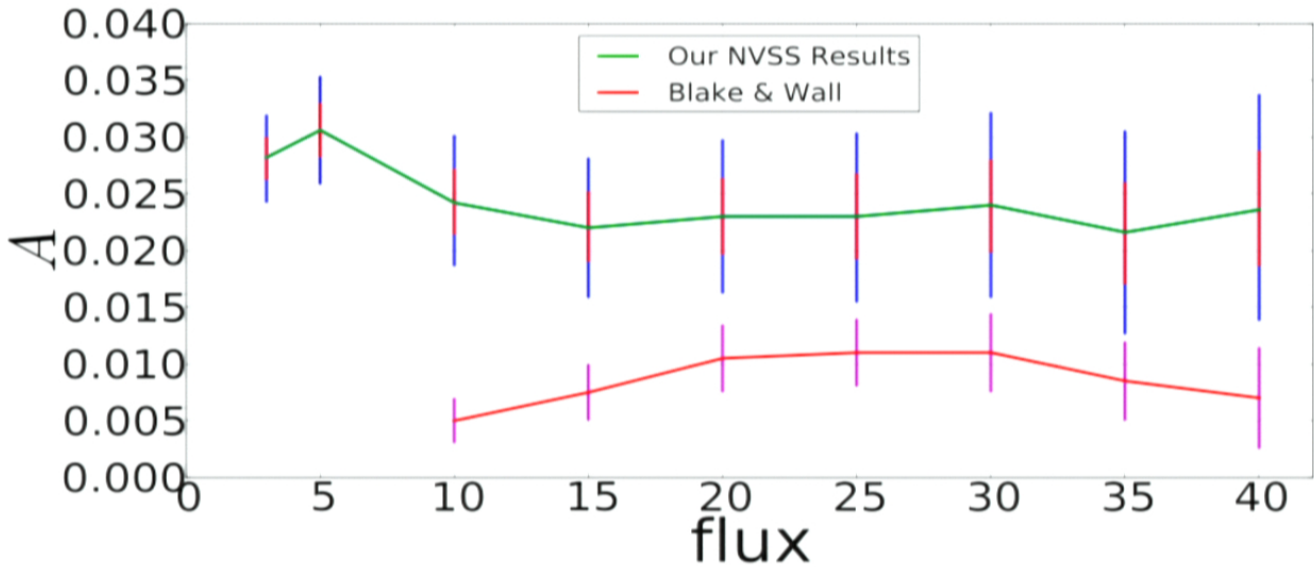
# NRAO VLA Sky Survey (NVSS)

NVSS: Sources With Flux Greater Than 15 mJy



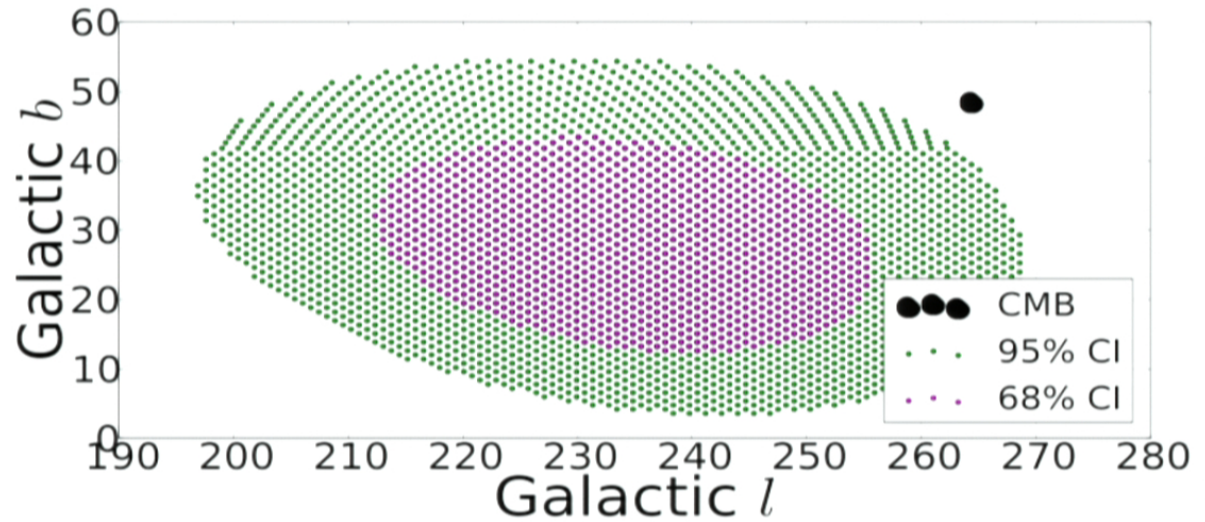
surveyed 82% of the sky at 1.4 GHz

1.8 million sources down to  $\sim 2.5$  mJy;  
declination-dep. striping goes away for sources  $> 15$  mJy

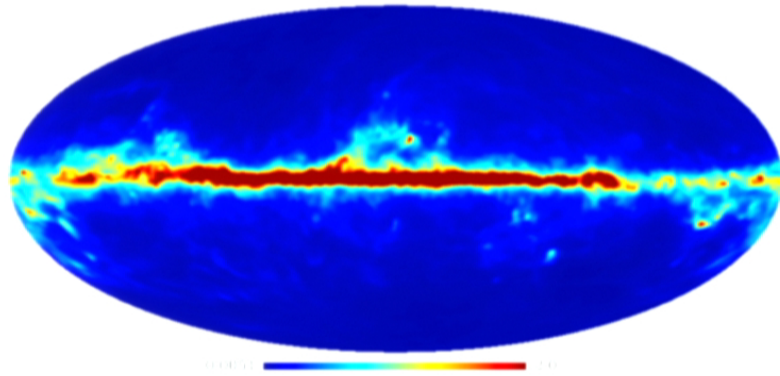


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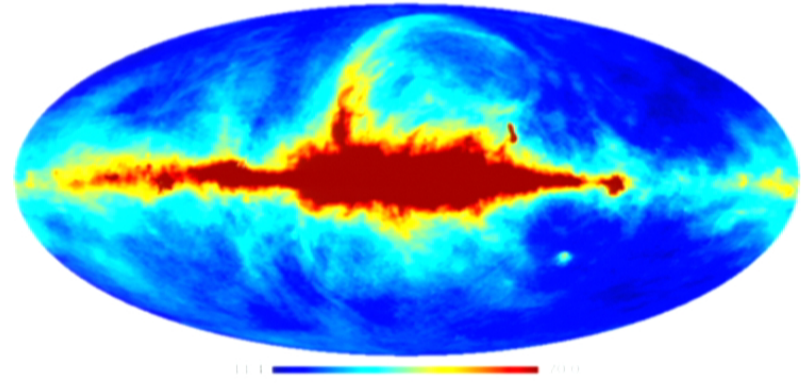
expect  $\sim 3/4$  of  
the dipole signal  
to be kinematic  
in origin (so  
should match up  
with the CMB)



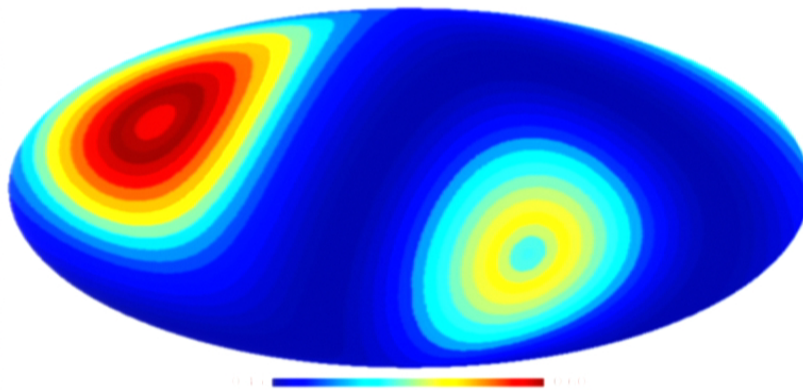
Dust Emission/Extinction at 100 Microns



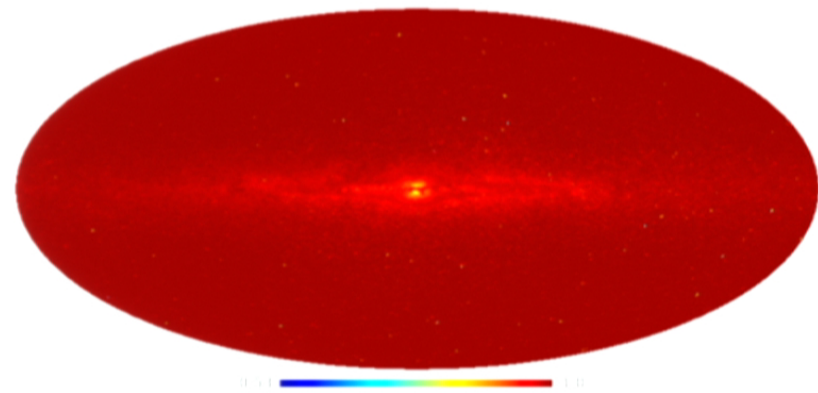
408 MHz Emission (Haslam)



BATSE Exposure Function



2MASS Coverage

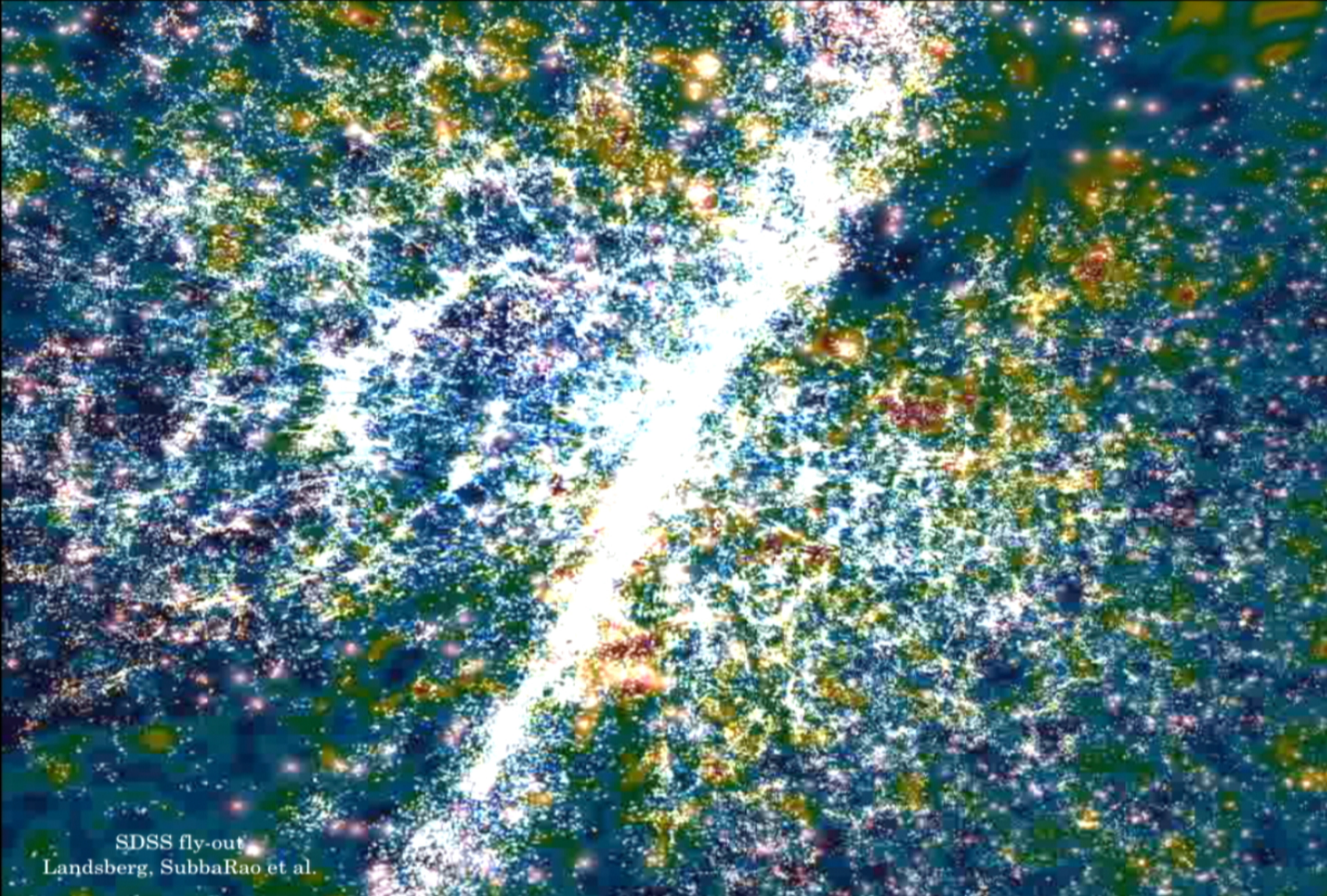




# Fundamental Physics from LSS

- Amount, clustering of Cold Dark Matter
- Expansion history ( $\Leftrightarrow$  dark energy)
- Modified Gravity ( $\Leftrightarrow$  dark energy)
- Self-interactions of dark matter
- Neutrino masses ( $\sum m_\nu \leq 0.3 \text{ eV}$ )
- Features in inflationary potential
- Primordial non-Gaussianity of density perturbations
- Statistical isotropy of the universe

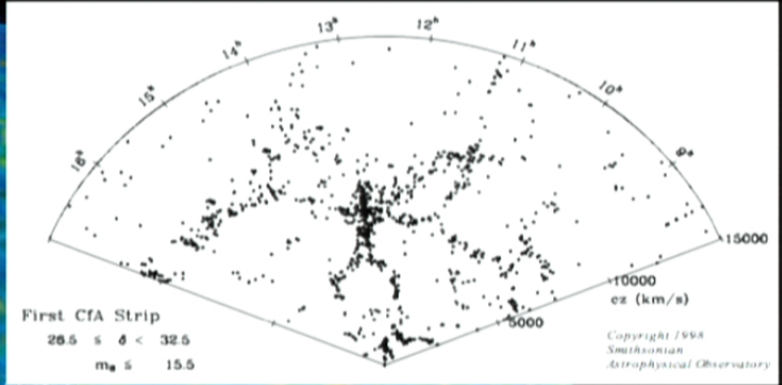
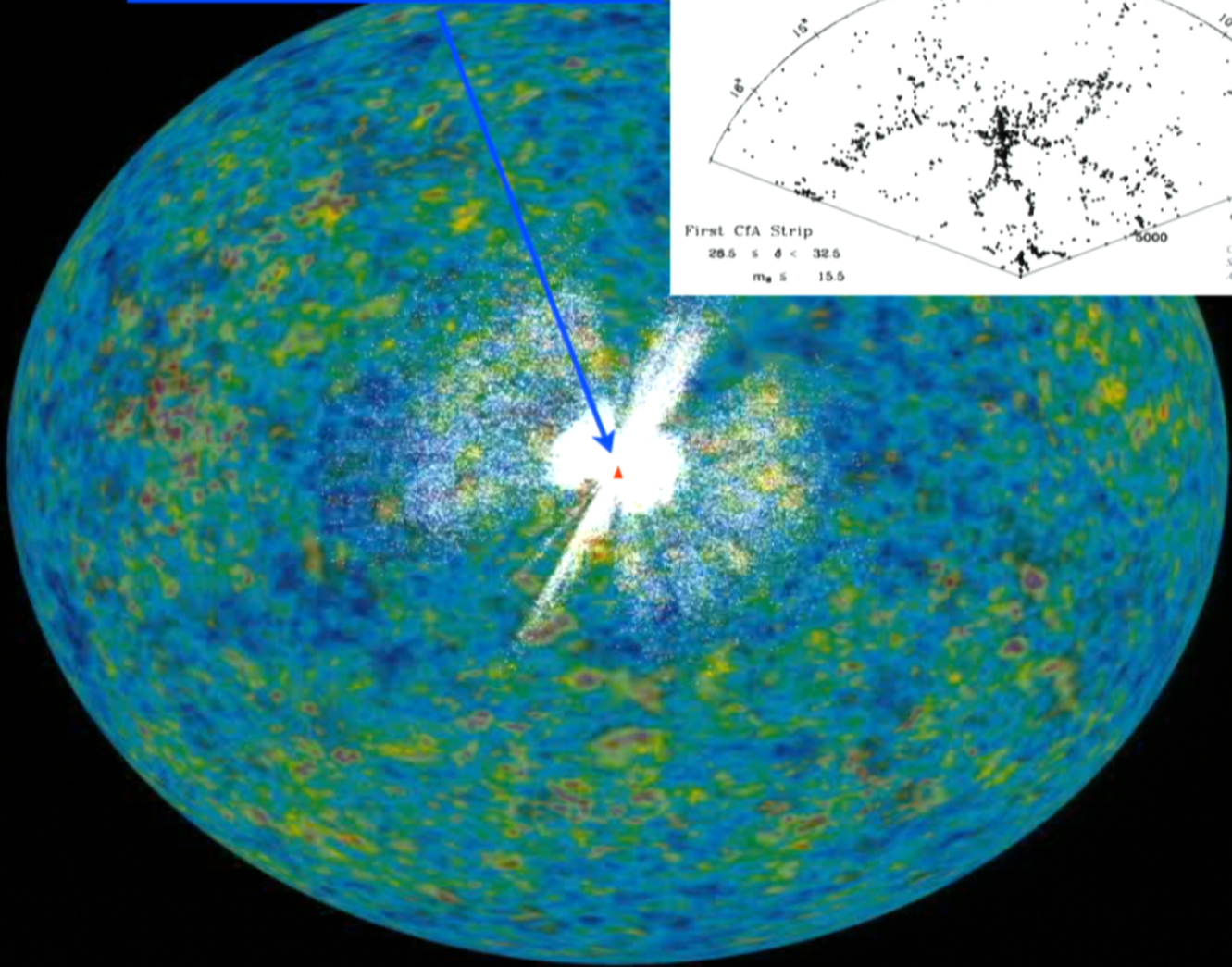




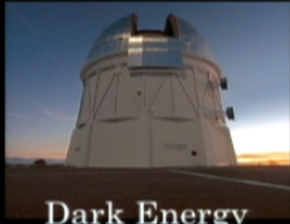
SDSS fly-out  
Landsberg, SubbaRao et al.



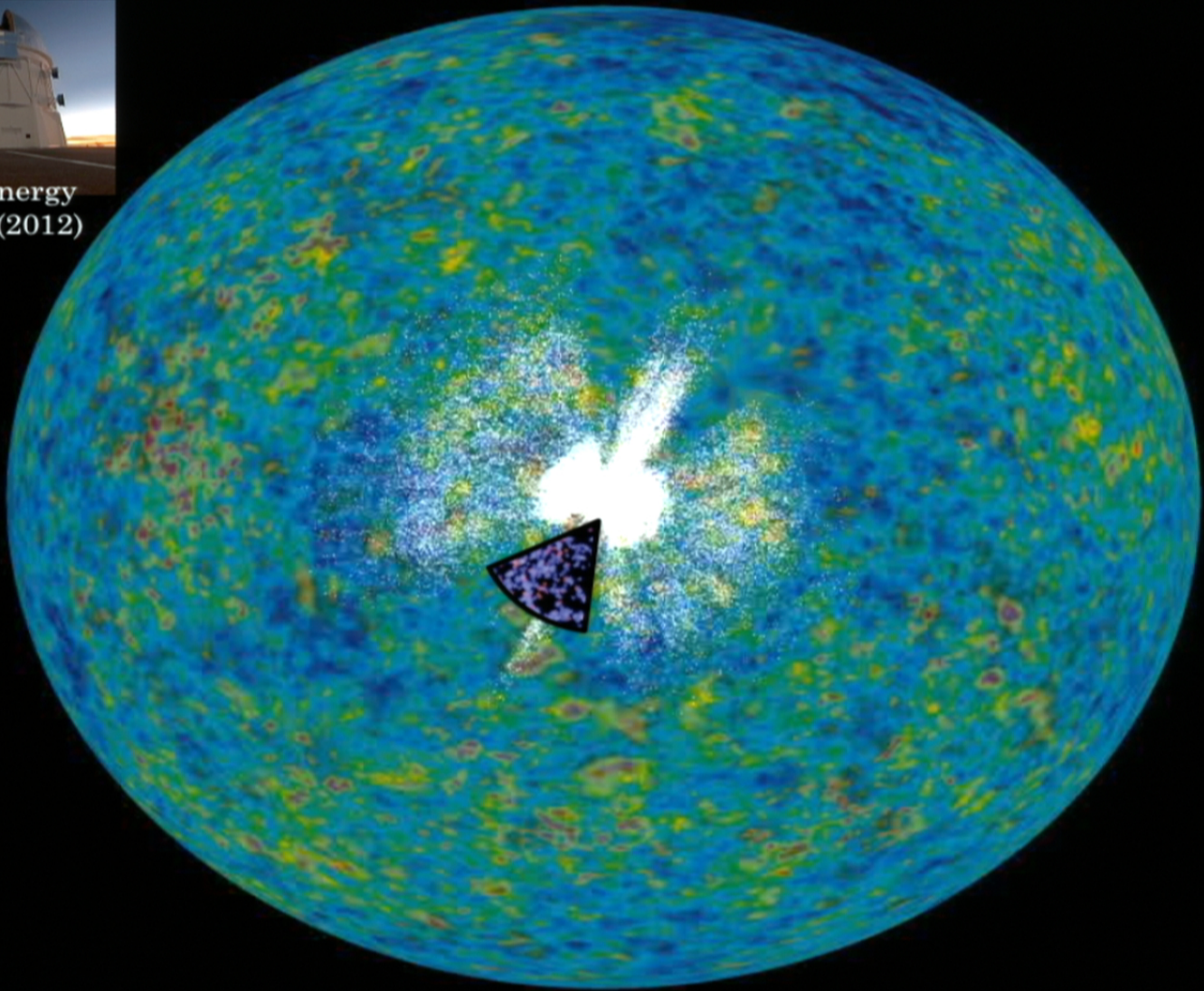
▲ Harvard-Cfa survey (1980s)



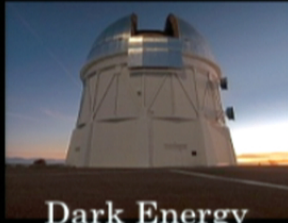




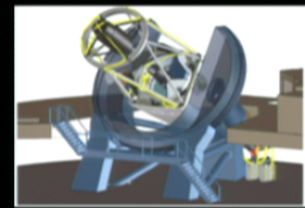
Dark Energy  
Survey (2012)



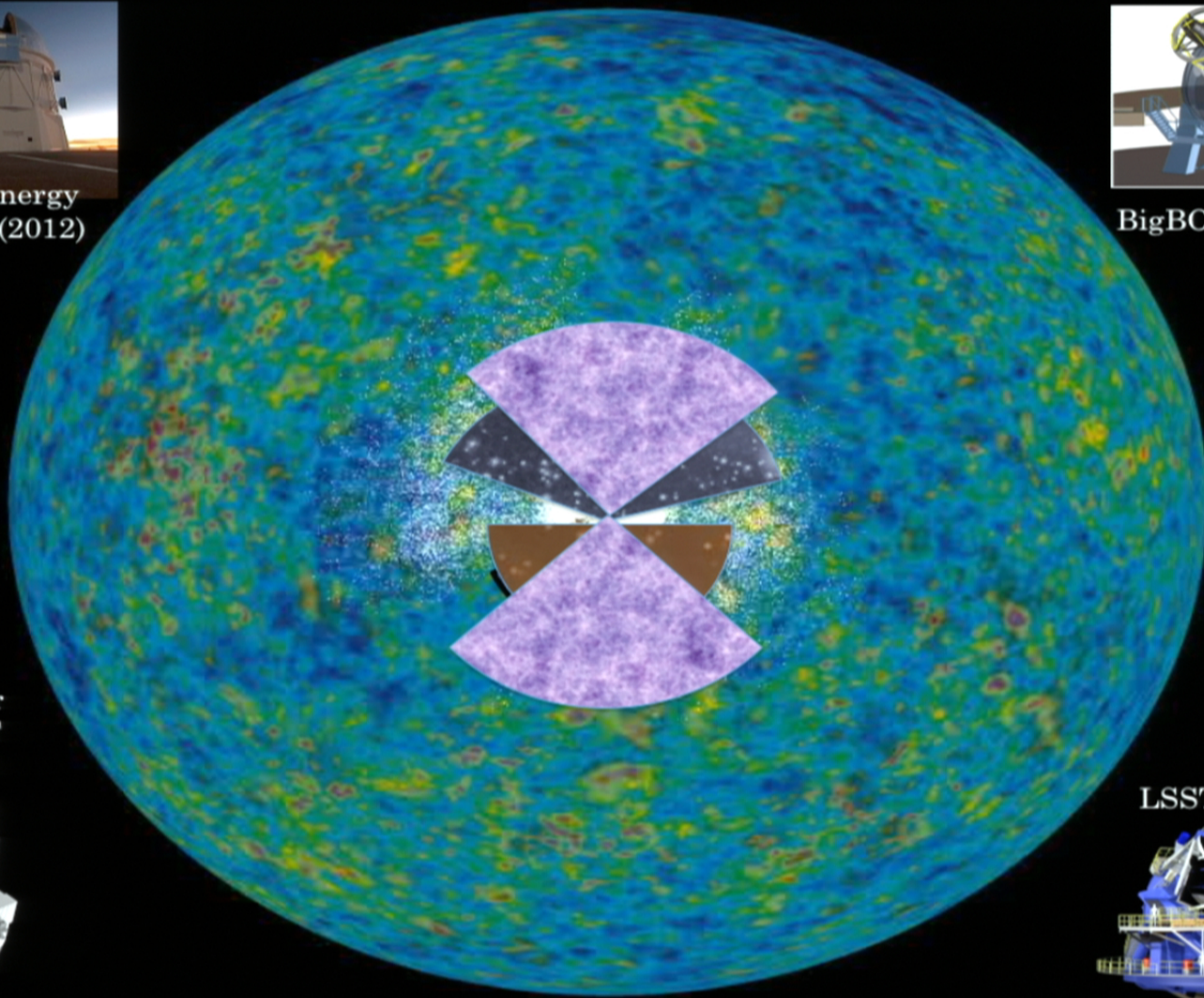




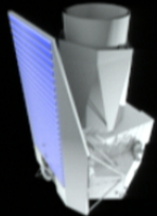
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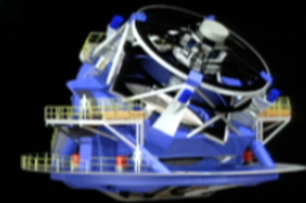
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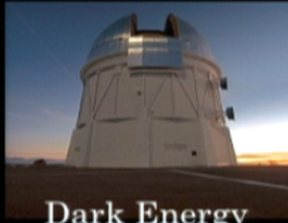
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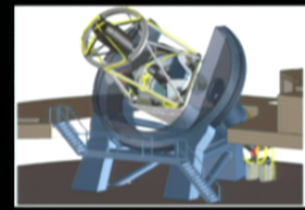
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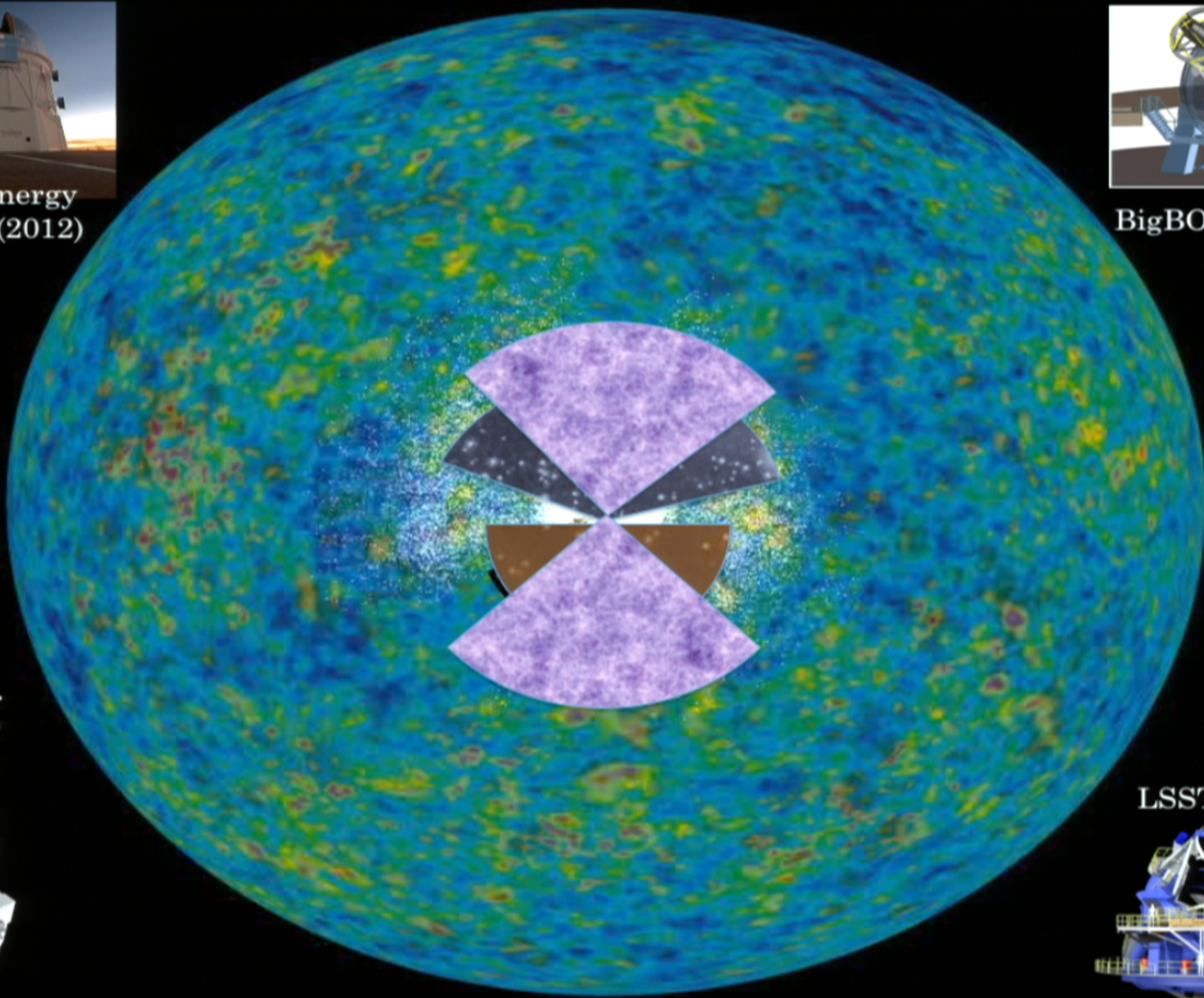




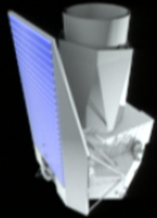
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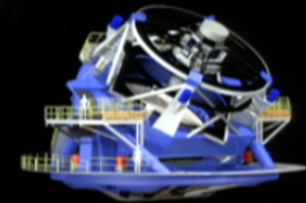
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# Conclusions

- LSS is a great tool to **test fundamental physics beyond the cosmological parameters**, for example statistical isotropy of the universe
- **Comparison with CMB** is particularly interesting. It tests long-wavelength perturbations and other exotic physics (and models of inflation)
- So far, our (relatively modest) tests with LSS given results **consistent with standard, statistically isotropic** expectation
- With BOSS, DES, LSST, BigBOSS, Euclid, WFIRST, etc the LSS is entering a new era of precision tests => **expect much better constraints of fundamental physics**