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**Abstract:**

Deviations from a parity-symmetric Universe would strongly signal the presence of new physics beyond the Standard Model. The lowest-order scalar observable sensitive to parity in a homogeneous and isotropic Universe is the connected four-point function of a given cosmological field. Geometrically, this function is described by a suitable average of this field over many tetrahedral configurations. As the CMB represents a spherical projection of three-dimensional curvature fluctuations, its four-point function serves as a unique, but potentially limited, probe of this fundamental symmetry. In this talk, I will discuss progress in rigorously understanding the CMB's sensitivity to parity-violating physics from both early- and late-time sources.

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Review

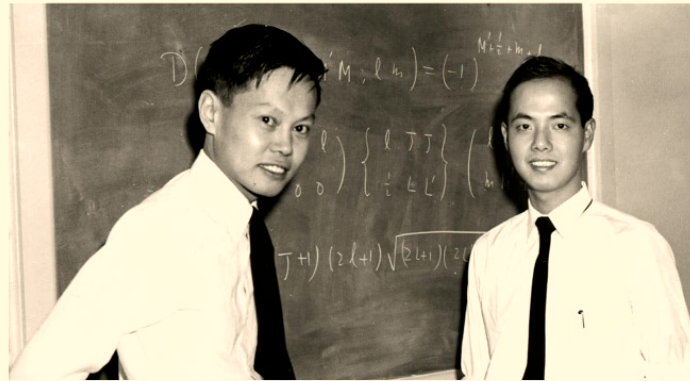
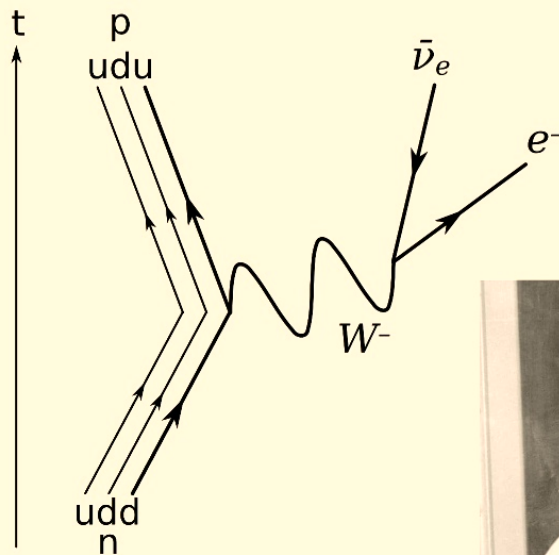
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# Parity in Particle Physics

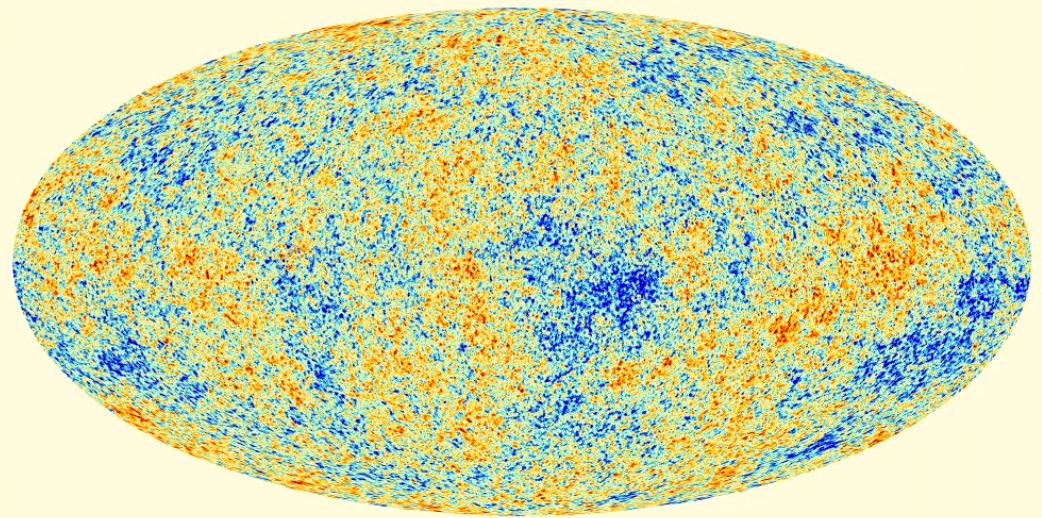
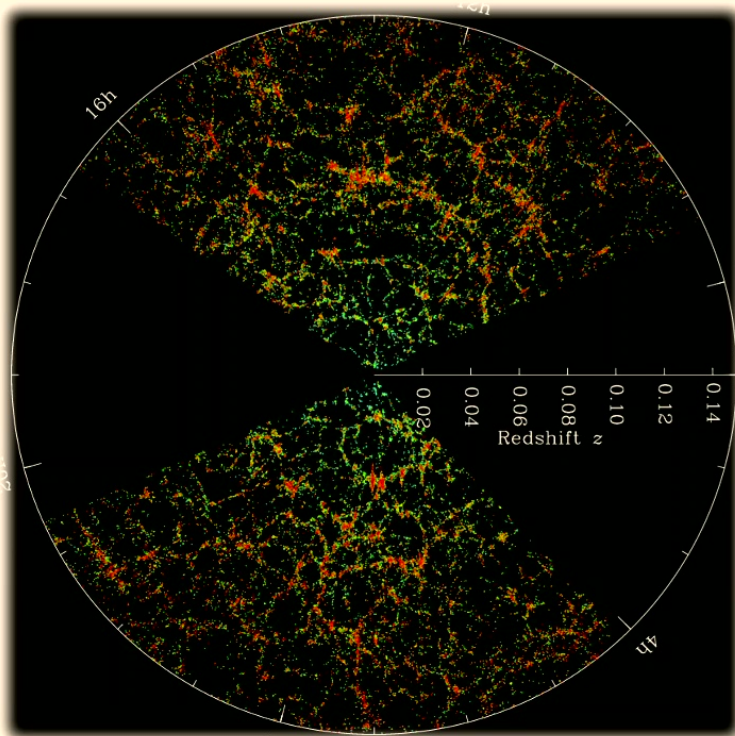
$$\mathbb{P}\mathbf{x} = -\mathbf{x}, \mathbb{P}\varphi(\mathbf{x}) = \pm\varphi(-\mathbf{x})$$



[Lee & Yang (1956), Wu et al (1957)]

# Parity in Cosmology

$$\mathbb{P}\mathbf{x} = -\mathbf{x}, \mathbb{P}\delta(\mathbf{x}) = \pm\delta(-\mathbf{x})$$



[Lue, Wang, Kamionkowski (1998)]

## N-Point Functions!

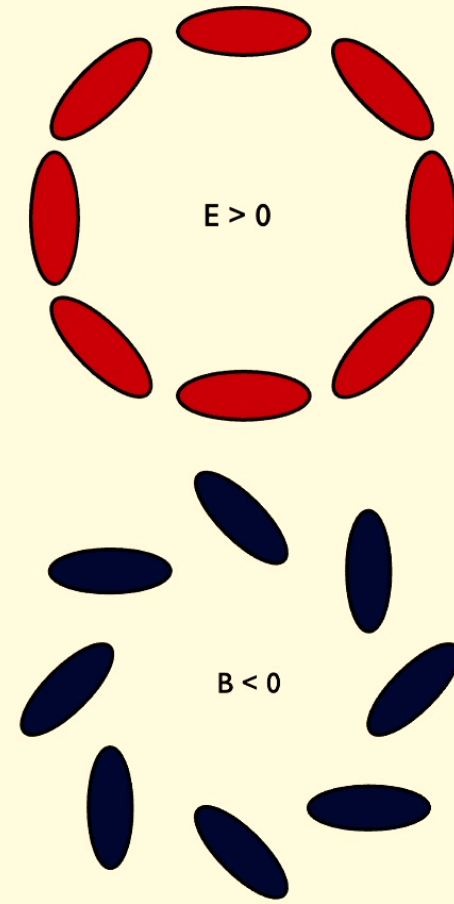
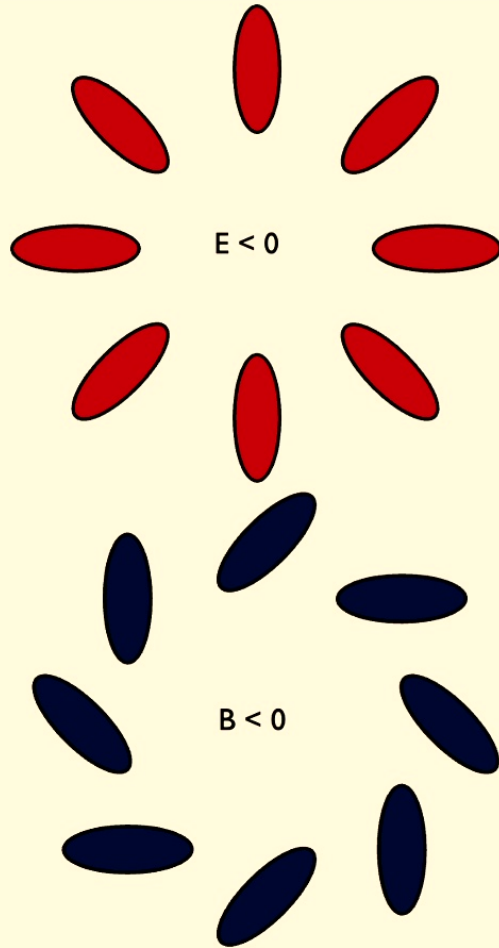
$$\delta_g(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{n_g(\mathbf{x}) - \bar{n}_g}{\bar{n}_g}$$

$$\langle \delta(\mathbf{x}) \rangle_c = 0$$

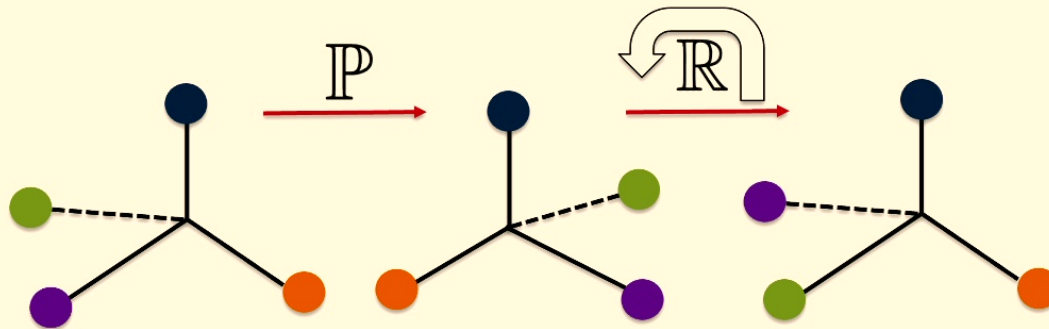
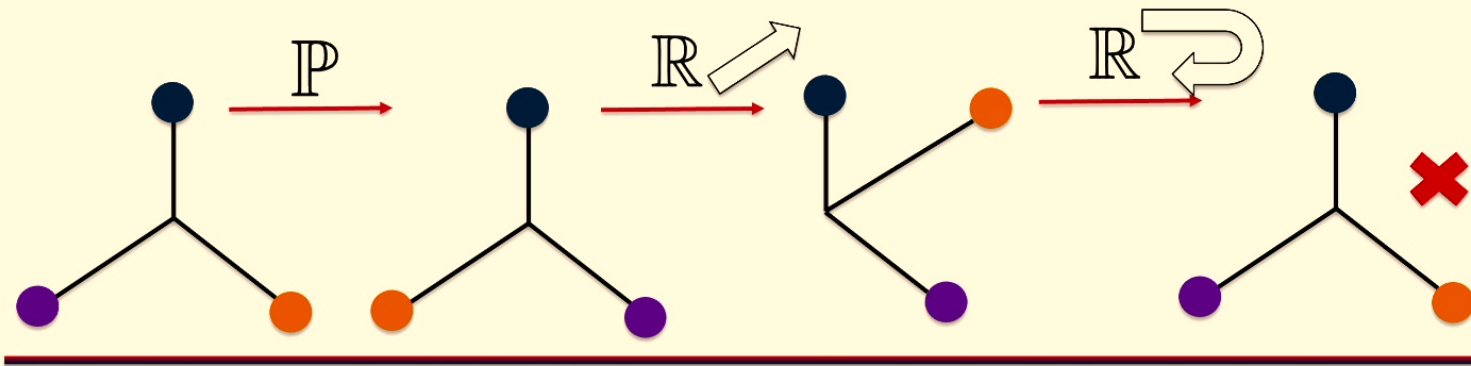
$$\langle \delta(\mathbf{x}_1) \delta(\mathbf{x}_2) \rangle_c = \xi_2(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2) = \xi_2(|\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_2|)$$

$$\langle \delta(\mathbf{x}_1) \dots \delta(\mathbf{x}_N) \rangle_c = \xi_N(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N)$$

# 2-Point Functions



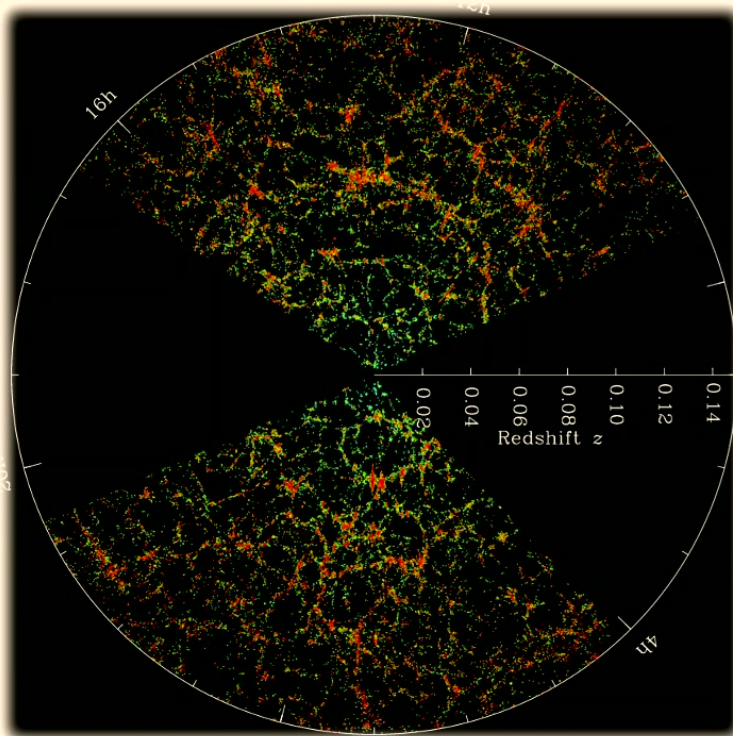
# 4-Point Functions



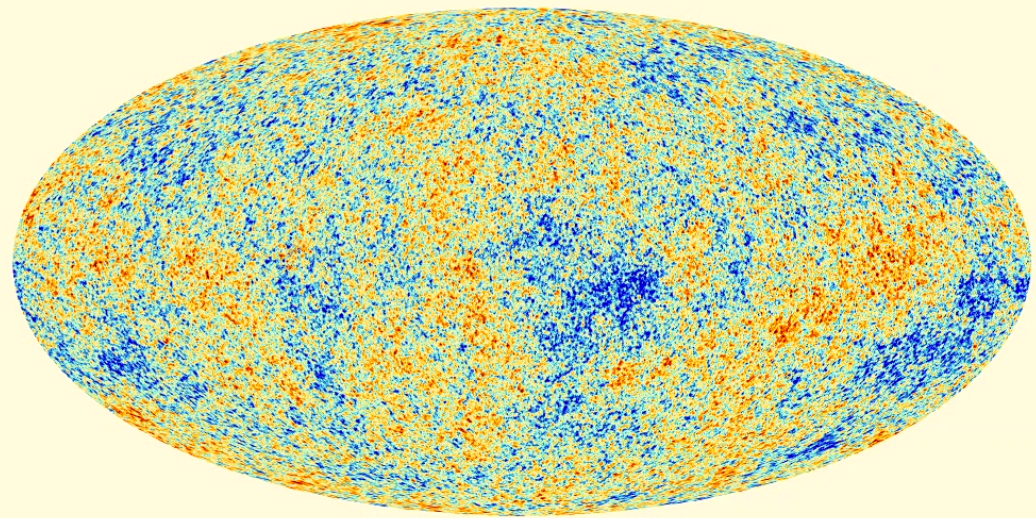


# Parity Detection in Cosmology?

[Philcox (2022), Hou et al (2022)]  
[Krowleski, May, Smith, Hopkins (2024)]

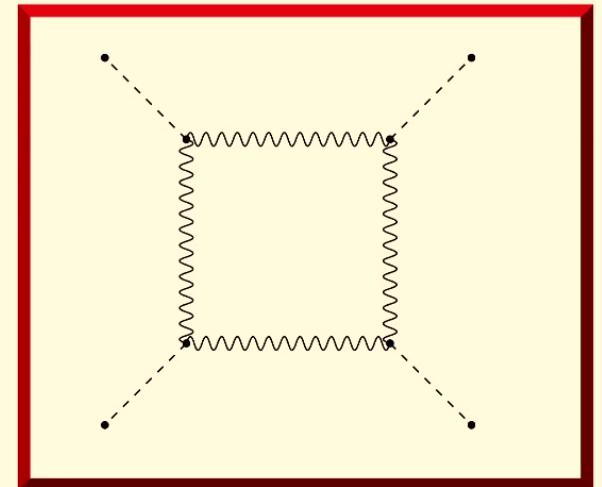


[Minami & Komatsu (2020)]  
[Eskilt (2022)]



# Parity Looking Forward/Backward

Experiments							
Name	$[z_{\min}, z_{\max}]$	$f_{\text{sky}}$	$[k_{\min}, k_{\max}] [h/\text{Mpc}]$	$\bar{n} [(h/\text{Mpc})^3]$	$\bar{b}$	$V [(Gpc/h)^3]$	$N_{\text{modes}}$
BOSS <sup>a</sup> [112, 113]	[0.43, 0.7]	0.23	[0.01, 0.24]	$3 \times 10^{-4}$	2.0	3.6	$10^5$
DESI <sup>a</sup> [115]	[0.6, 1.7]	0.34	[0.003, 0.31]	$3.8 \times 10^{-4}$	1.4	45	$8 \times 10^5$
Euclid <sup>a</sup> [114]	[0.9, 1.8]	0.36	[0.003, 0.34]	$4.3 \times 10^{-4}$	1.7	44	$10^6$
MegaMapper <sup>a</sup> [116, 117]	[2, 5]	0.34	[0.003, 0.64]	$2.5 \times 10^{-4}$	3.8	155	$7 \times 10^6$
MSE <sup>a</sup> [120]	[1.6, 4]	0.24	[0.003, 0.54]	$2.8 \times 10^{-4}$	3.7	91	$6 \times 10^6$
SPHEREx <sup>a</sup> [118, 119]	[0.1, 4.3]	0.65	[0.003, 0.46]	$2.0 \times 10^{-3}$	1.1	360	$2 \times 10^7$
HIRAX <sup>b</sup> [121]	[0.8, 2.5]	0.36	[(0.01, 0.1), 0.38]	$10^{-3}$	1.9	88	$3 \times 10^6$
PUMA-32K <sup>b</sup> [122]	[2, 6]	0.5	[(0.01, 0.1), 0.71]	$7.6 \times 10^{-3}$	6.3	290	$7 \times 10^7$

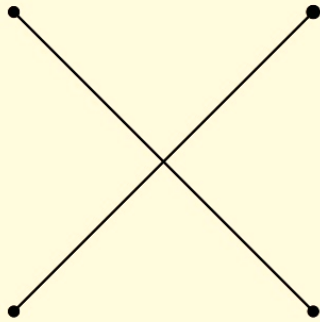


[Sailer et al. (2021), CCS et al. (2023)]

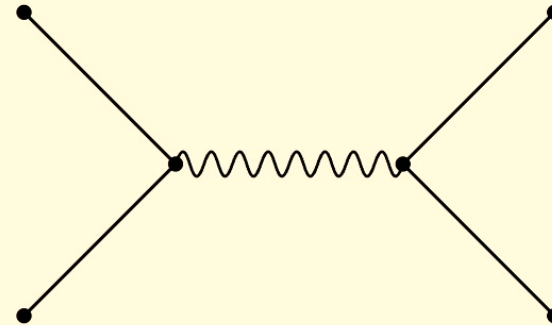
# I. Early-Time

# No-Go Theorem

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Contact



Exchange

**Yes-Go: non-BD, Scale-Invariance [IR Divergences,  $c(t)$ ], Massive Spinning**

[Liu et al (2019), Cabass et al. (2023)]

# Ghost Inflation

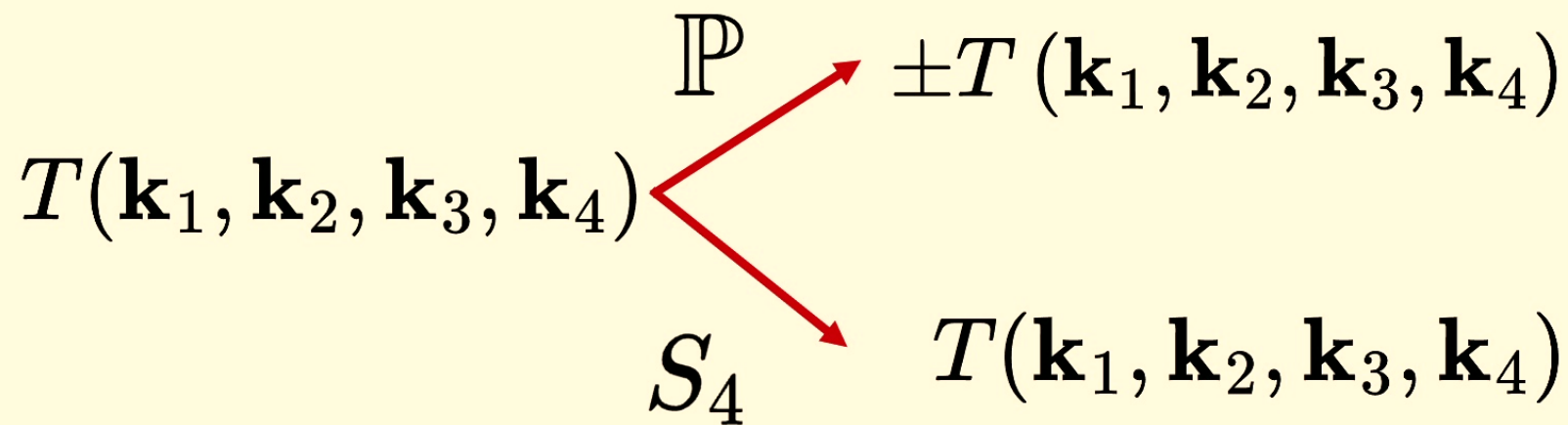
$$S_{\pi\pi\pi\pi}^{(\text{LO})} = \frac{1}{M_{\text{Pl}}^8} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} a^{-9} \epsilon_{ijkl} \partial_m \partial_n \pi \partial_n \partial_i \pi \partial_m \partial_l \partial_j \pi \partial_l \partial_k \pi$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \begin{pmatrix} \ell_1 & \ell_2 & L \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \ell_3 & \ell_4 & L \\ -1 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} t_{\ell_3 \ell_4}^{\ell_1 \ell_2}(L) = 2(4\pi)^7 A^{(\text{Ghost}-1)} (-1)^L \sum_{l_1 l_2 l_3 l_4 l'} c_{l_1 l_2 (l') l_3 l_4} c_{l_1 l_2 l_3 l_4 l'} \sum_{L'} (2L' + 1) \\ & \times \text{Im} \int x^2 dx \int d\lambda \lambda^{11} \\ & \times \left[ \sum_{L_1 L_2} i^{\ell_{12} - L_{12}} (2L_1 + 1)(2L_2 + 1) \begin{pmatrix} L_1 & L_2 & L' \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} L_1 & l_1 & \ell_1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} L_2 & l_2 & \ell_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} L_1 & L_2 & L' \\ l_1 & l_2 & l' \\ l_1 & l_2 & L \end{Bmatrix} h_{0,1/2}^{\ell_1 L_1}(x, \lambda) h_{0,3/2}^{\ell_2 L_2}(x, \lambda) \right] \\ & \times \left[ \sum_{L_3 L_4} i^{\ell_{34} - L_{34}} (2L_3 + 1)(2L_4 + 1) \begin{pmatrix} L_3 & L_4 & L' \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} L_3 & l_3 & \ell_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} L_4 & l_4 & \ell_4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} L' & L_3 & L_4 \\ l' & l_3 & l_4 \\ L & l_3 & \ell_4 \end{Bmatrix} h_{0,1/2}^{\ell_3 L_3}(x, \lambda) h_{0,1/2}^{\ell_4 L_4}(x, \lambda) \right] \end{aligned}$$

[Cabass et al. (2023), Philcox (2023)]

# Trispectrum Symmetries

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# Build-A-Parity-Odd-Trispectrum

$$\tilde{T}(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{k}_3, \mathbf{k}_4) = Af(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{k}_3, \mathbf{k}_4) \det \begin{pmatrix} g_1(\mathbf{k}_1) & \dots & g_1(\mathbf{k}_4) \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ g_4(\mathbf{k}_1) & \dots & g_4(\mathbf{k}_4) \end{pmatrix} [\mathbf{k}_1 \cdot (\mathbf{k}_2 \times \mathbf{k}_3)]$$

$\mathbb{P}$	+	+	-
$S_4$	+	-	-

# Power-Law Trispectra

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$$T_{\text{even}}(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{k}_3, \mathbf{k}_4) = \frac{1}{4!} k_1^{\alpha_1} k_2^{\alpha_2} k_3^{\alpha_3} k_4^{\alpha_4} + (23 \text{ perms.})$$

$$T_{\text{odd}}(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{k}_3, \mathbf{k}_4) = \frac{i}{4!} \left[ k_1^{\beta_1} k_2^{\beta_2} k_3^{\beta_3} k_4^{\beta_4} + (23 \text{ perms.}) \right] [\mathbf{k}_1 \cdot (\mathbf{k}_2 \times \mathbf{k}_3)]$$



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Scale Invariant:

$$\sum \alpha_i = -9$$

$$\sum \beta_i = -12$$

IR Finite:

$$\min(\alpha_i) > -3$$

$$\min(\beta_i) > -4$$

# Beyond Power-Law

$$T_{\text{odd}}(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2, \mathbf{k}_3, \mathbf{k}_4) = \frac{i}{4!} k_T^{-p} \left[ k_1^{\beta_1} k_2^{\beta_2} k_3^{\beta_3} k_4^{\beta_4} + (23 \text{ perms.}) \right] [\mathbf{k}_1 \cdot (\mathbf{k}_2 \times \mathbf{k}_3)]$$

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \sum_{\alpha} \frac{\mathcal{O}_{\alpha}}{\Lambda_{\alpha}^{D_{\alpha}-4}}$$

$$p = 4L + 2E - 3 + \sum_{\alpha=1}^V (D_{\alpha} - 2n_{\alpha})$$

$$p = 1 + \sum_{\alpha} (D_{\alpha} - 4)$$

$$D = 4 + N$$

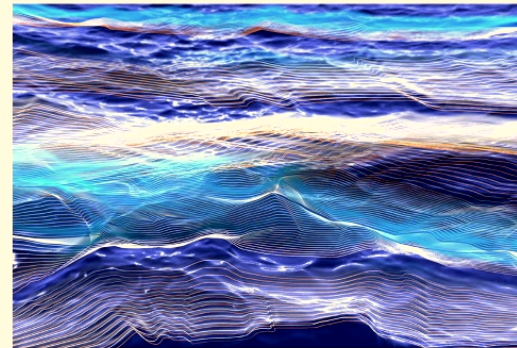
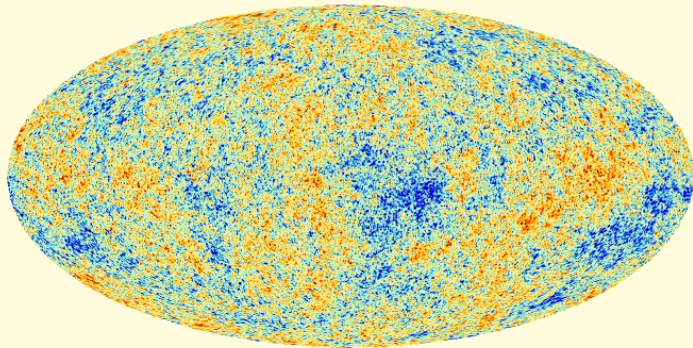
[Pajer (2020)]

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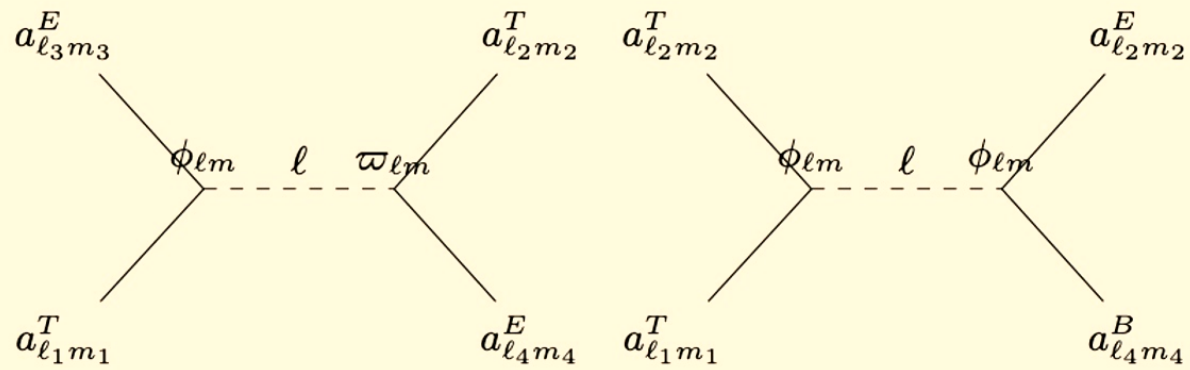
# I. Late-Time

# Lensing by Foreground Stochastic Fields

$$\tilde{\Theta}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}) = \Theta(\hat{\mathbf{n}}) + [\nabla_{\perp} \phi(\hat{\mathbf{n}}) + \hat{\mathbf{n}} \times \nabla_{\perp} \varpi(\hat{\mathbf{n}})] \cdot [\nabla_{\perp} \Theta(\hat{\mathbf{n}})]$$



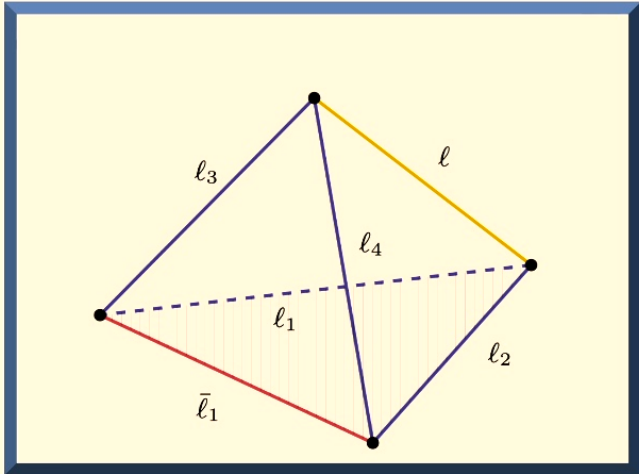
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$$\text{Im} \langle \tilde{a}_{\ell_1}^T \tilde{a}_{\ell_2}^T \tilde{a}_{\ell_3}^T \tilde{a}_{\ell_4}^T \rangle_{\bar{\ell}_1 \bar{\ell}_2}^{LM} = (-1)^{\ell_1 + \ell_2} \delta_{\bar{\ell}_2 \ell_4}^K \delta_{L,0}^K \delta_{M,0}^K \sqrt{2\bar{\ell}_1 + 1} \times C_{\ell_1}^{TT} C_{\ell_2}^{TT}$$

$$\times \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (-1)^\ell \bar{\Phi}_{\ell_3 \ell \ell_1} \bar{\Omega}_{\ell_4 \ell \ell_2} \left\{ \begin{matrix} \ell & \ell_2 & \ell_4 \\ \bar{\ell}_1 & \ell_3 & \ell_1 \end{matrix} \right\} C_\ell^{\phi\varpi} + 23 \text{ perms.}$$



$$\bar{\Phi}_{\ell_1 \ell_2 \ell_3} = -\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\ell_2(\ell_2 + 1)\ell_3(\ell_3 + 1)} I_{\ell_1 \ell_2 \ell_3} \left[ 1 + (-1)^{\ell_1 + \ell_2 + \ell_3} \right] \begin{pmatrix} \ell_1 & \ell_2 & \ell_3 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\bar{\Omega}_{\ell_1 \ell_2 \ell_3} = -\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\ell_2(\ell_2 + 1)\ell_3(\ell_3 + 1)} I_{\ell_1 \ell_2 \ell_3} \left[ 1 - (-1)^{\ell_1 + \ell_2 + \ell_3} \right] \begin{pmatrix} \ell_1 & \ell_2 & \ell_3 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{matrix} \ell & \ell_2 & \ell_4 \\ \bar{\ell}_1 & \ell_3 & \ell_1 \end{matrix} \right\} \sim \frac{\cos(\dots)}{\sqrt{3\pi V/2}}$$

Review

Signal

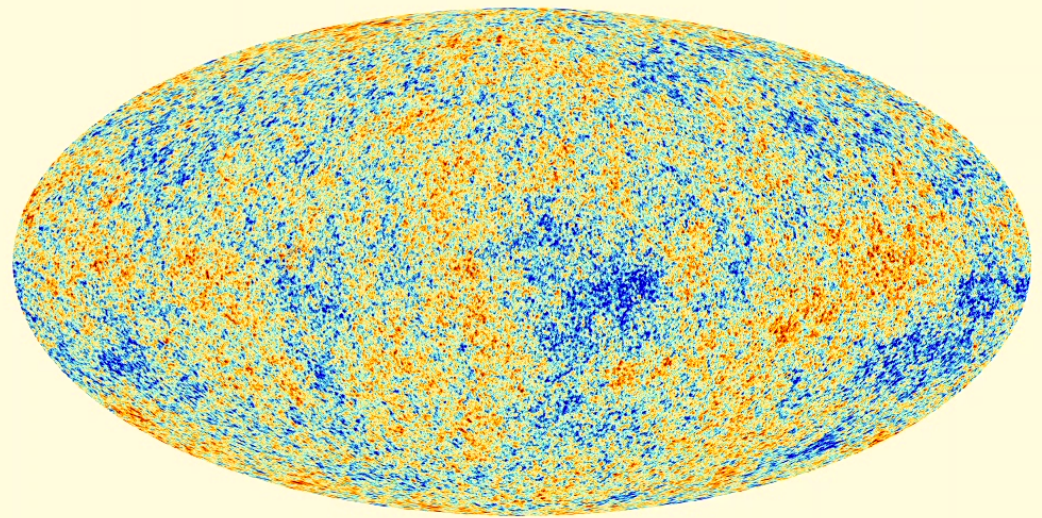
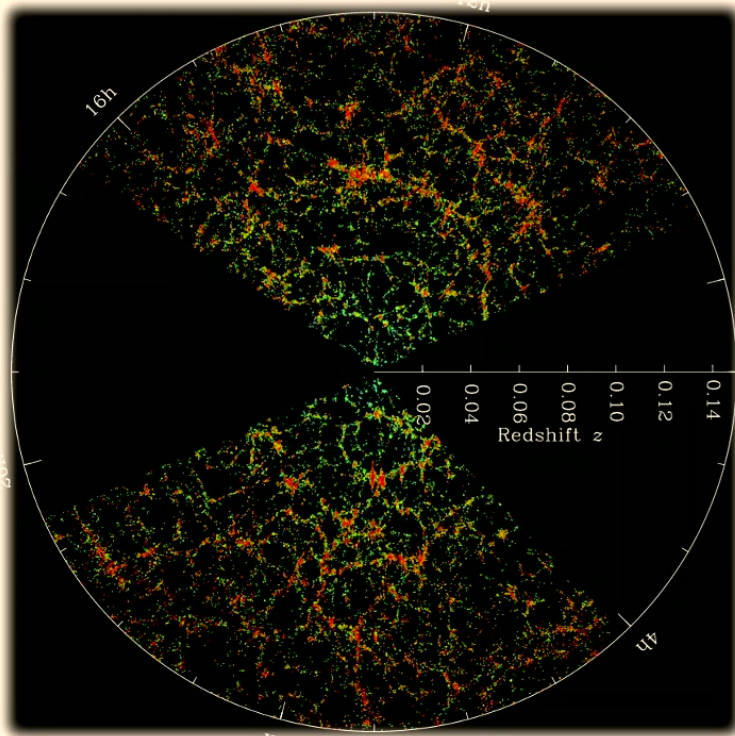
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# Mode Counting

$$N_{\text{modes}}^{\text{LSS}} = V \int_{k_{\text{min}}}^{k_{\text{max}}} \frac{k^2 dk}{2\pi^2} \frac{d\mu}{2} \left[ \frac{G^2(k, \mu, z) P_{\text{lin}}(k, \mu, z)}{P_{\text{tot}}(k, \mu, z)} \right]^2$$

$$N_{\text{modes}}^{\text{CMB}} = f_{\text{sky}} \sum_{\ell=\ell_{\text{min}}}^{\ell_{\text{max}}} (2\ell + 1) \left[ \frac{C_{\ell}^{\text{TT}}}{C_{\ell}^{\text{TT}} + N_{\ell}^{\text{TT}}} \right]^2$$





# Goal + Benchmark Cases

$$F_{2d}(T, T') \equiv \frac{1}{4!} \sum_{l_i m_i} \frac{T^{l_1 l_2 l_3 l_4^*} T'^{l_1 l_2 l_3 l_4^*}}{C_{l_1} C_{l_2} C_{l_3} C_{l_4}}$$

4 short :  $(l, l + 1, l + 2, l + 4)$

3 short, 1 long :  $(l, l + 1, l + 2, 3l)$

2 short, 2 long (1 long pair) :  $(l, l + 1, 2l, 2l + 2)$

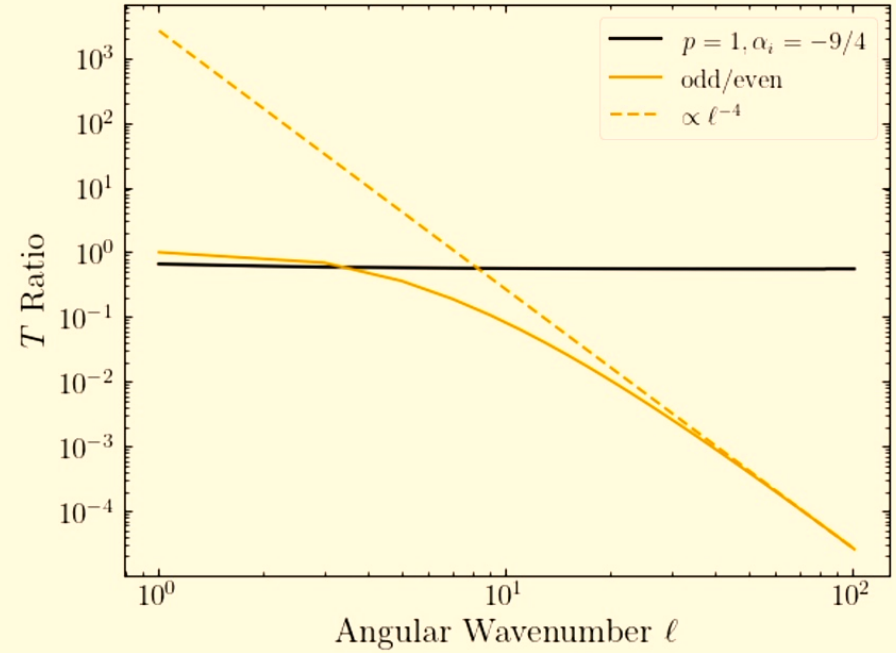
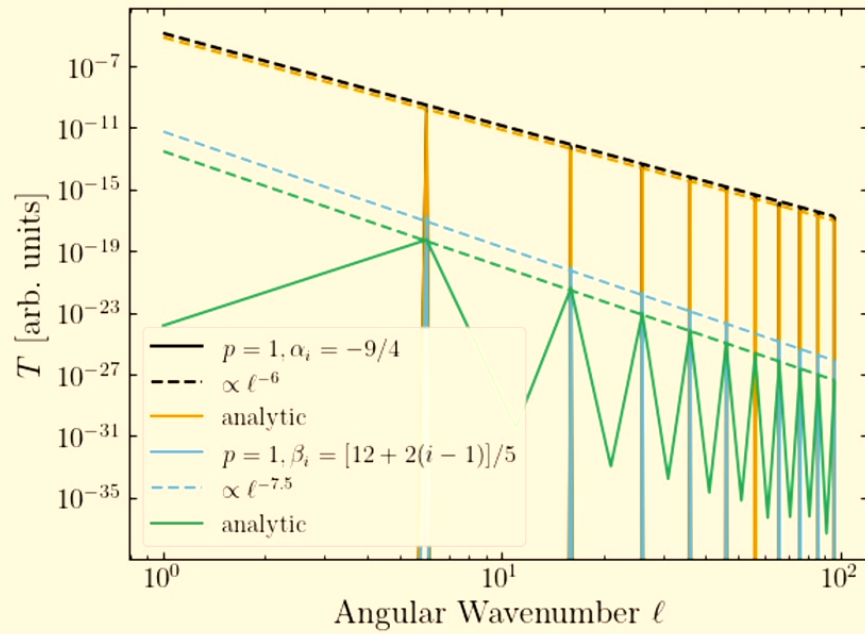
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1 short, 3 long (1 long triple) :  $(l, 3l, 3l + 1, 3l + 2)$

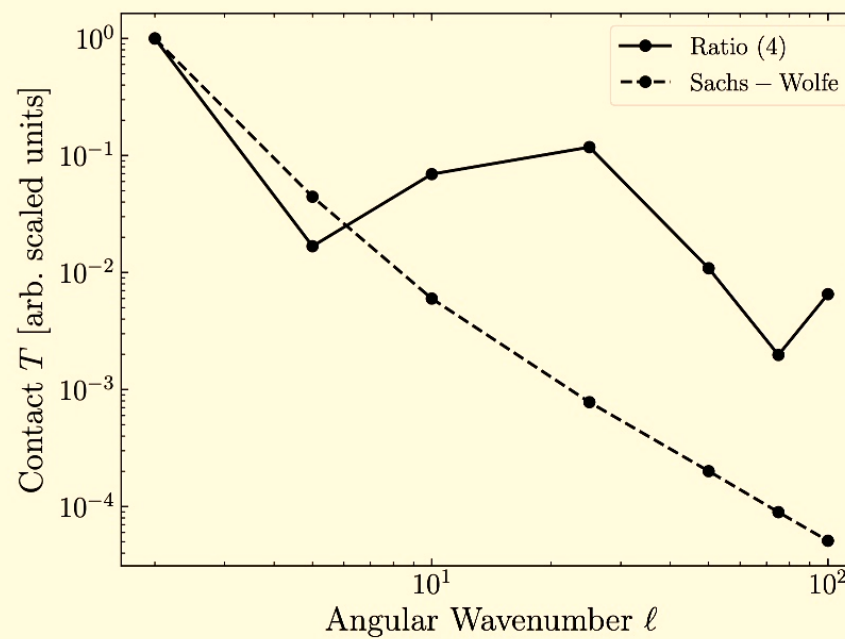
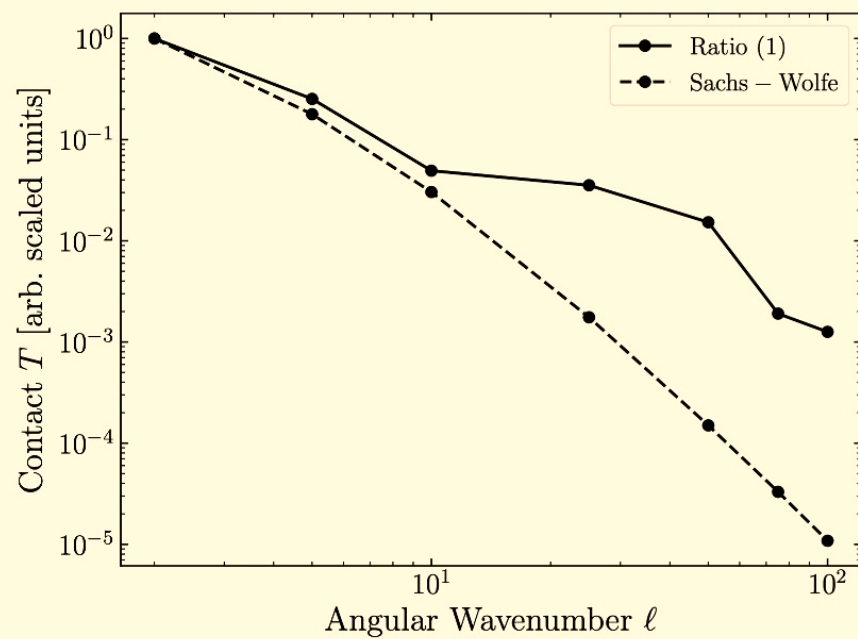
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# Curvature



# Thickness



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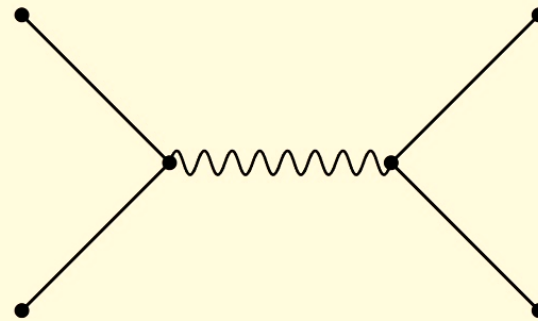
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# Exchange Trispectra

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Exchange – Soft Internal?

# Conclusion

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- Cosmological parity can yield novel physics in upcoming surveys
- Simple geometric interpretation for exchange CMB trispectra
- CMB is most likely not sensitive to contact diagrams
- Fisher + Exchange diagram computation to be determined.

# Thank you.

