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# Delensing: a worked example from SPT, Herschel, and BICEP/Keck

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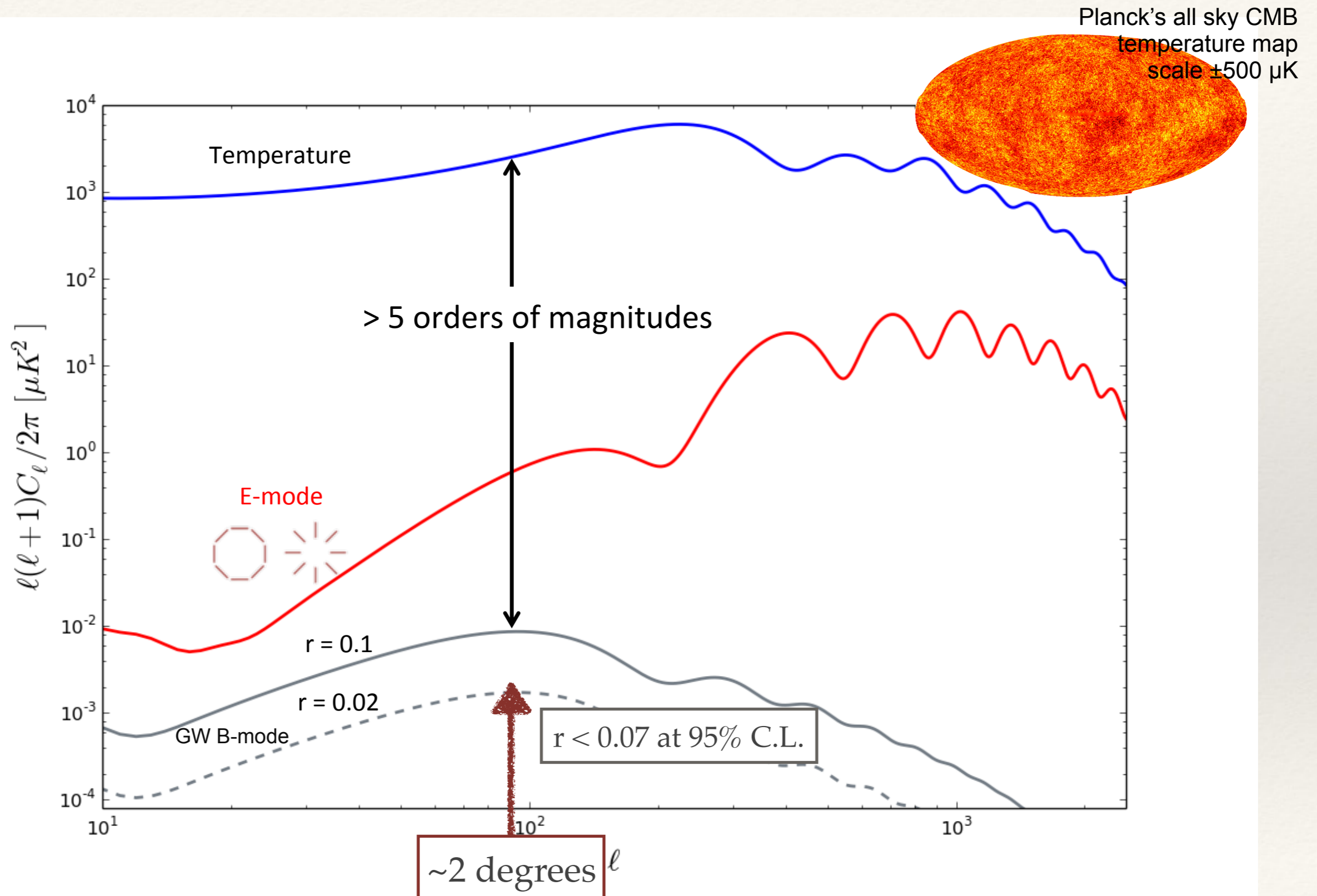
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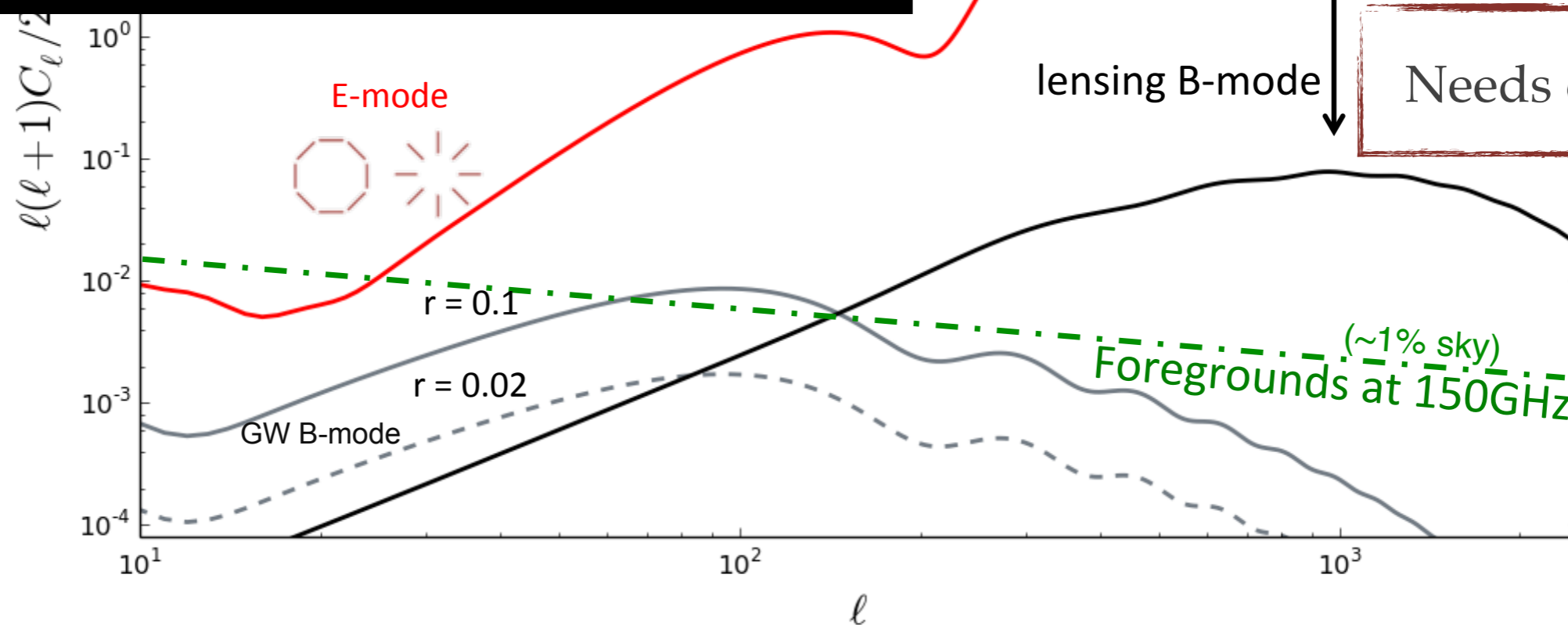
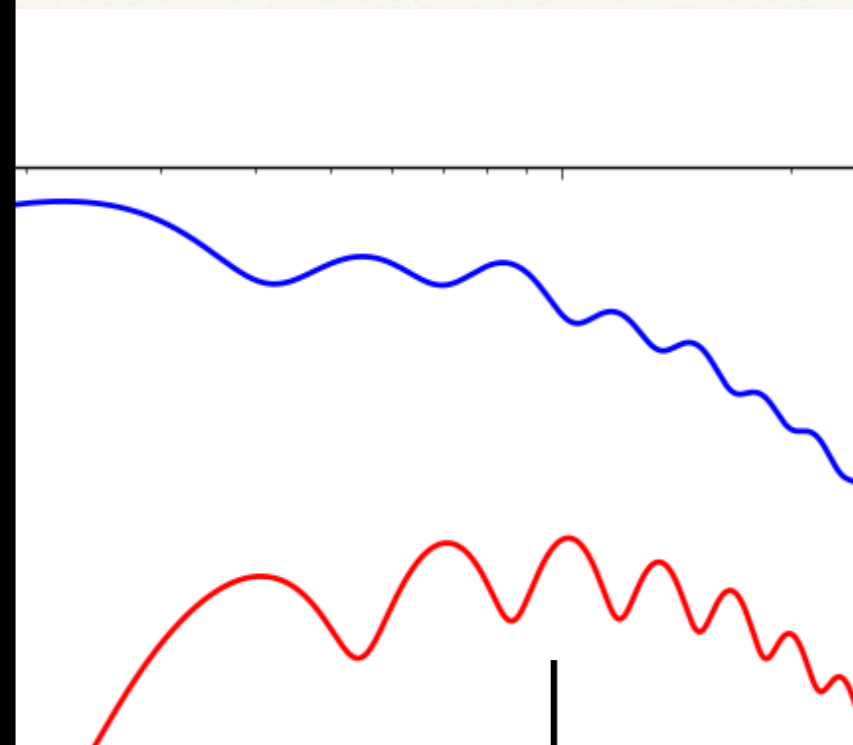
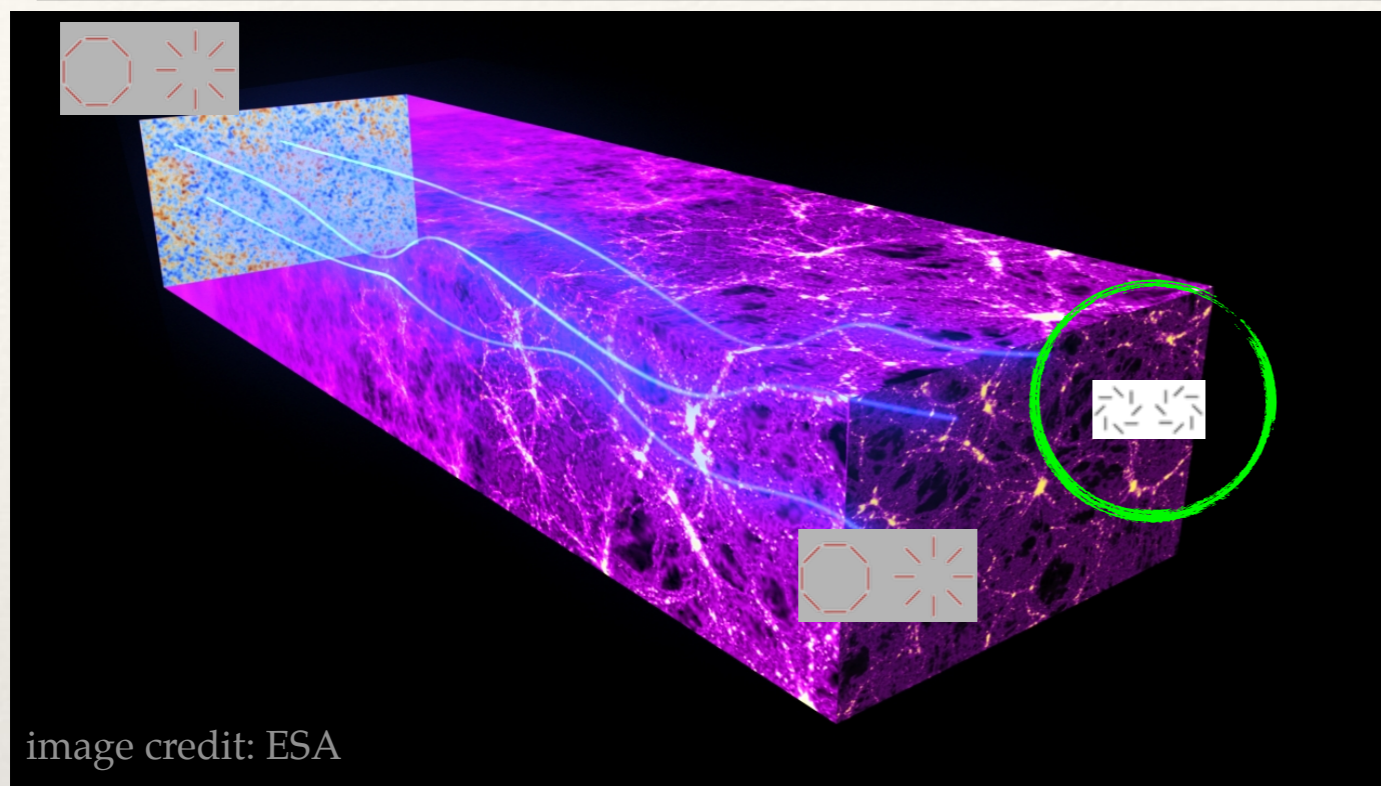
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# Primordial B-modes are small

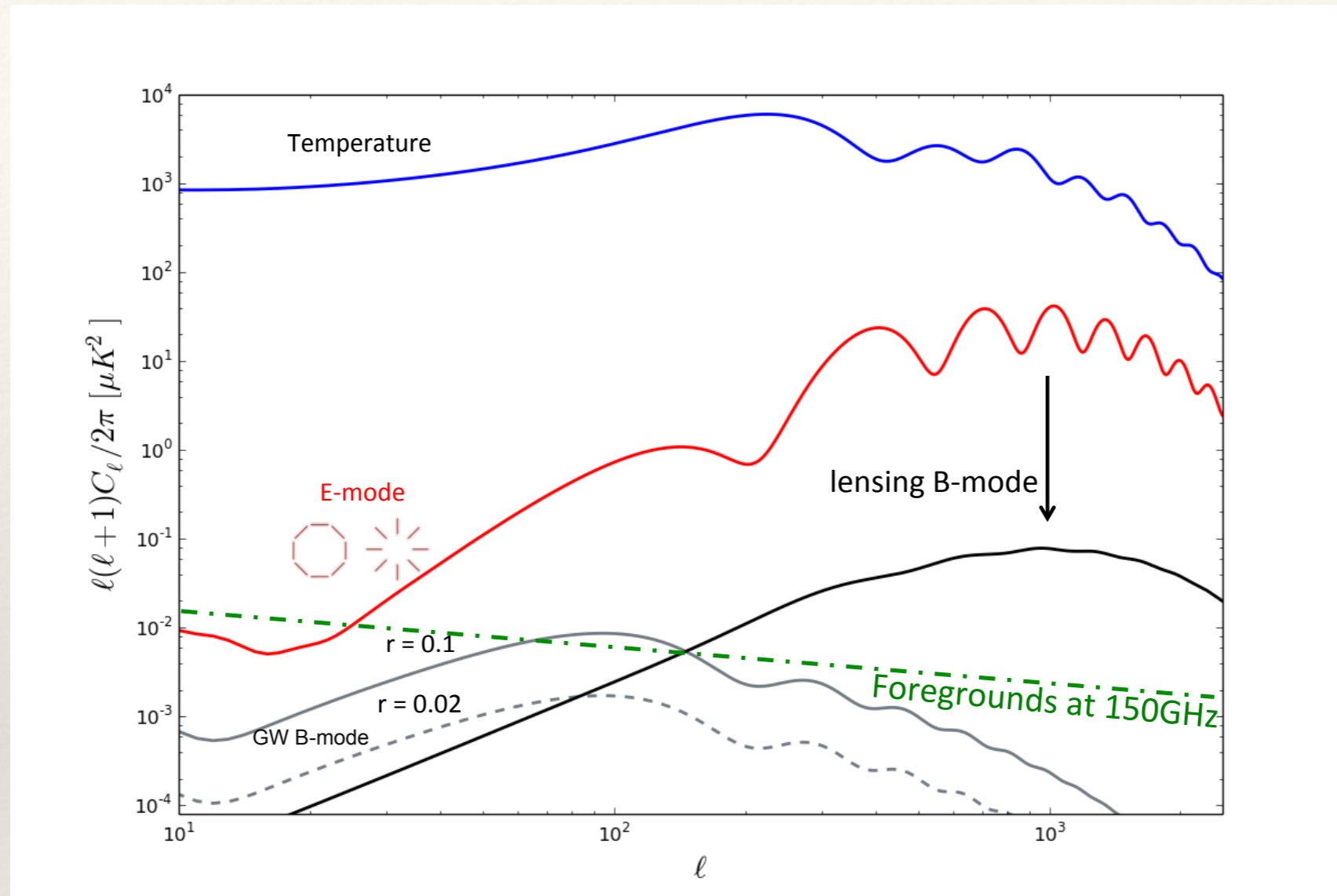


# CMB spectra + foregrounds





# Why delensing?



- We can fit lensing model +  $r$  simultaneously, but limited by sample variance of lensing
- **Delensing** B-modes: using the *realization-specific* lensing B-mode sky to reduce lensing sample variance
- Especially important if observing a small sky patch

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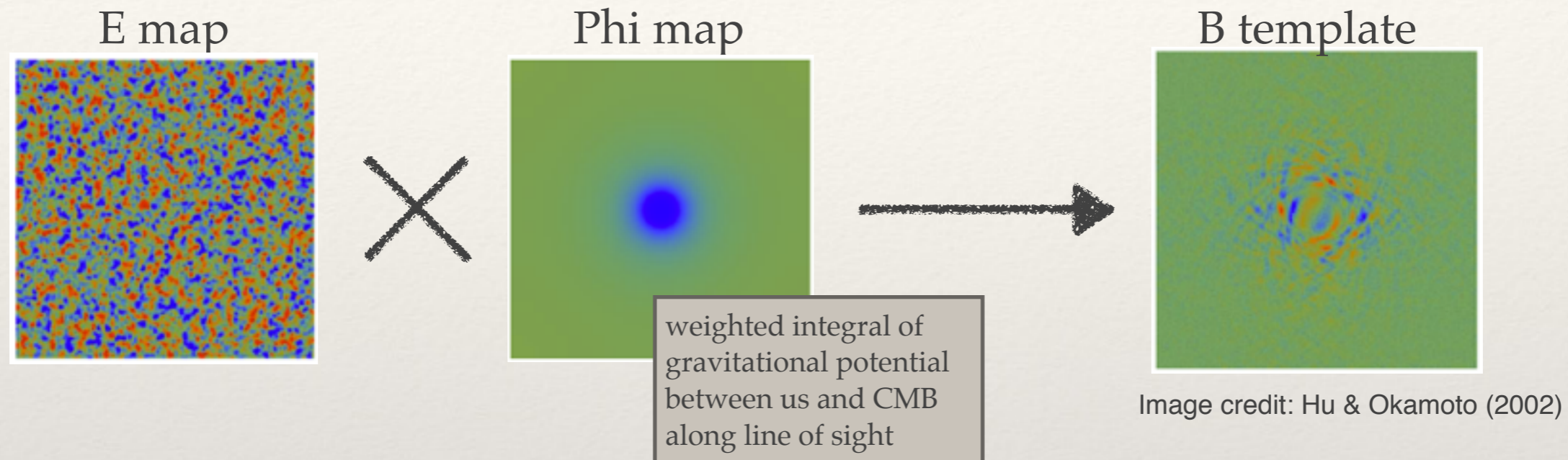
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# Delensing: the idea

1. Use Phi to lens E-mode map to get expected lensing B

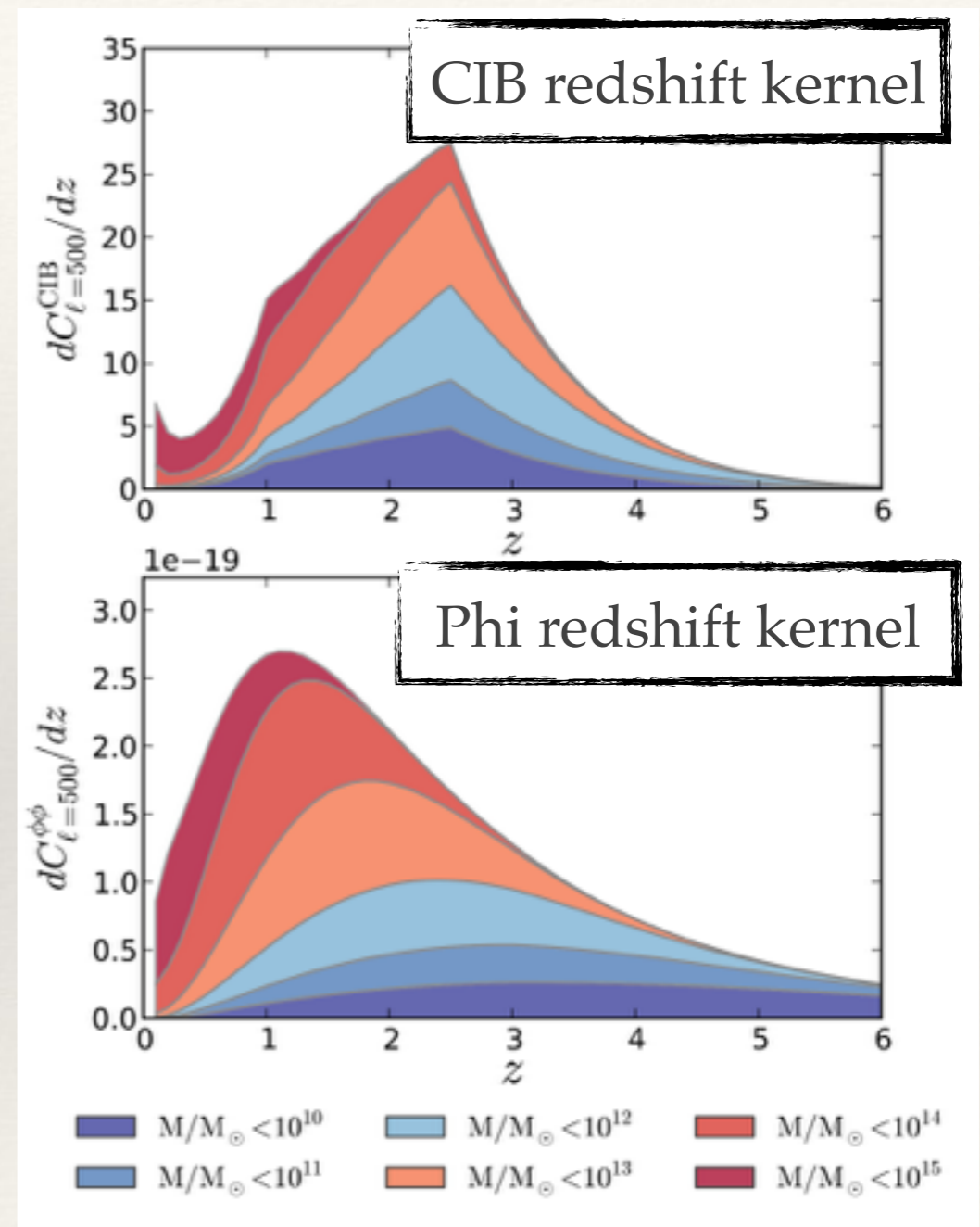


2. Subtract B template from B map



# CIB as a Phi tracer

- ❖ Phi: can reconstruct from CMB, but S/N rather low currently (Future will be better!)
- ❖ Cosmic infrared background (CIB) from dusty star-forming galaxies with redshift distribution peaked between  $z \sim 1$  and 2.
- ❖ CMB lensing potential's redshift kernel peaks between  $1 < z < 3$
- ❖ Cross-correlation can be as high as  $\sim 80\%$
- ❖ Used for first detection of lensing B-modes through cross-correlations (Hanson et al. 2013); first delensing of CMB temperature anisotropies (Larson et al. 2016)

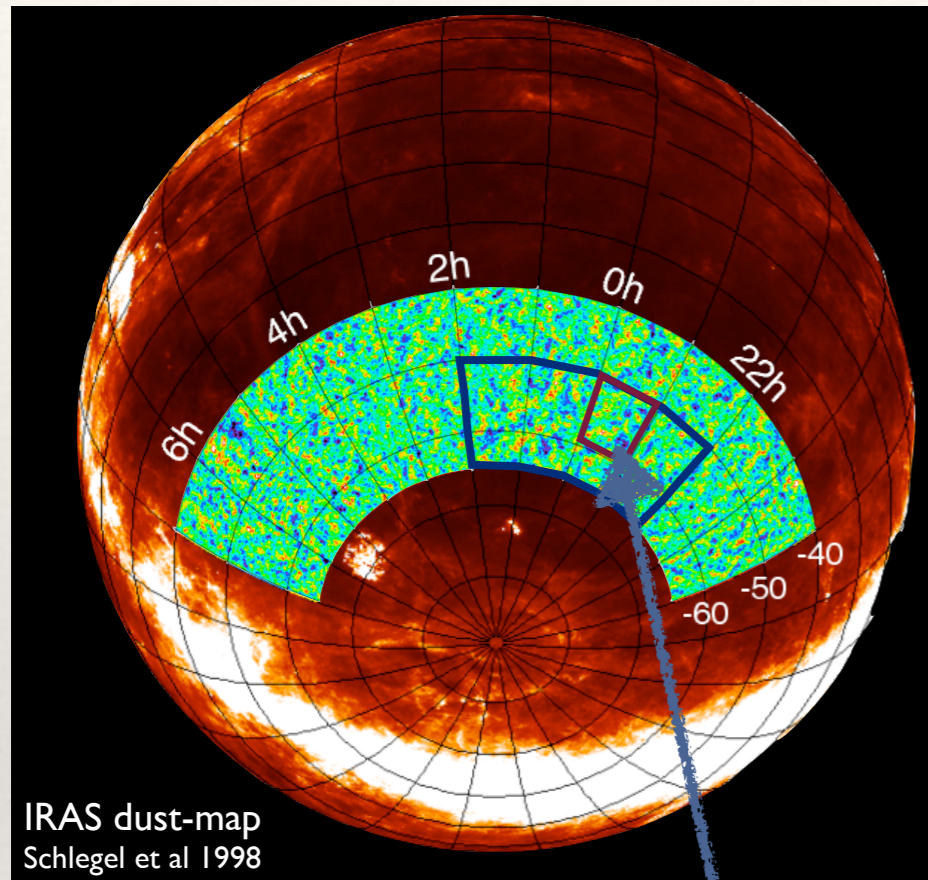


Planck 2013 XVIII



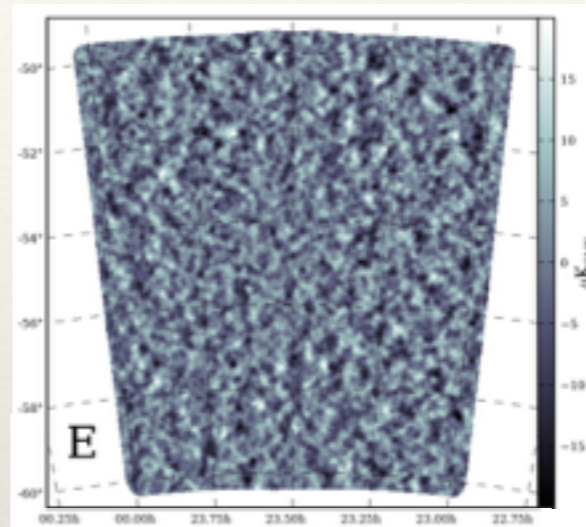
# Lensing B template to delens SPTpol B modes

## Inputs to form the B template

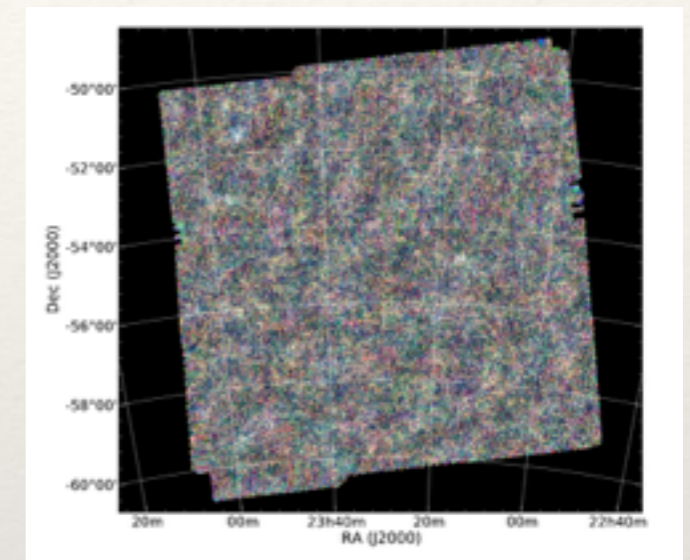


SPTpol 100 deg<sup>2</sup> field

E-mode measurement  
(Crites et al., SPT 2015)

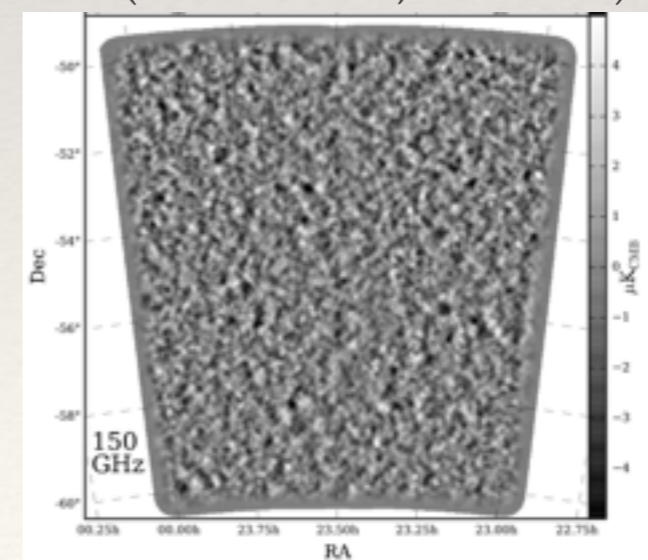


CIB map from Herschel 500 $\mu\text{m}$  map



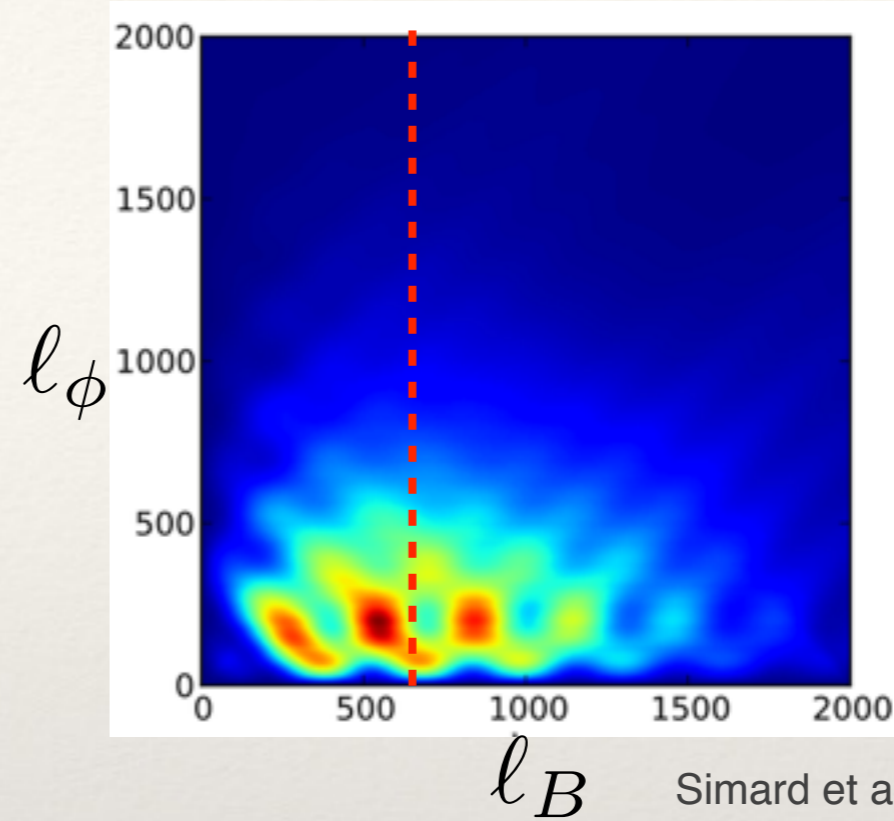
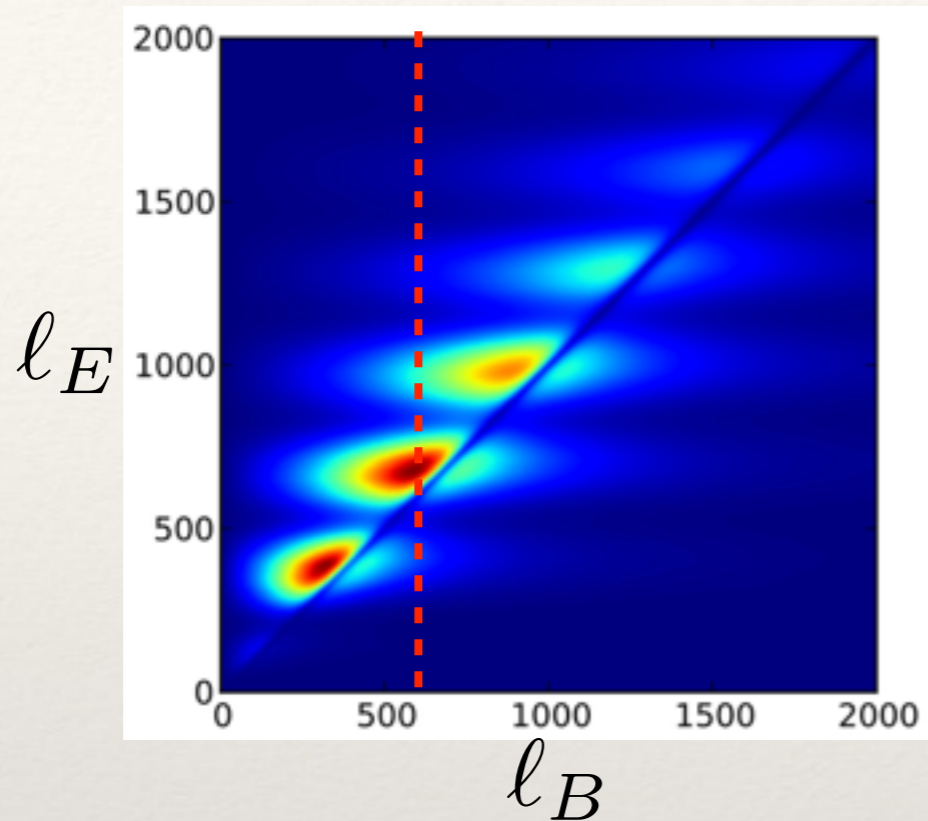
## B-mode map to be delensed

(Keisler et al., SPT 2015)





# Forming the B template: I

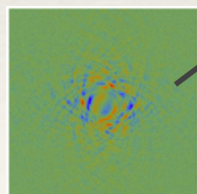


Simard et al. 2014 (1401.0691)

Lensing B modes to first order in Phi has the form\*

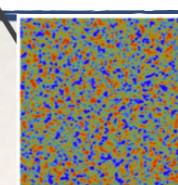
$$B^{\text{lens}}(\boldsymbol{\ell}) = \int \frac{d^2\boldsymbol{\ell}'}{(2\pi)^2} W(\boldsymbol{\ell}, \boldsymbol{\ell}') E(\boldsymbol{\ell}') \phi(\boldsymbol{\ell} - \boldsymbol{\ell}')$$

theoretical unlensed E, phi



where weight function

$$W(\boldsymbol{\ell}, \boldsymbol{\ell}') = \boldsymbol{\ell}' \cdot (\boldsymbol{\ell} - \boldsymbol{\ell}') \sin(2\varphi_{\boldsymbol{\ell}, \boldsymbol{\ell}'}).$$



\* flat-sky approx.:  $\boldsymbol{\ell} = 2\pi|\mathbf{u}|$ ,  $\mathbf{u}$  is Fourier mode.

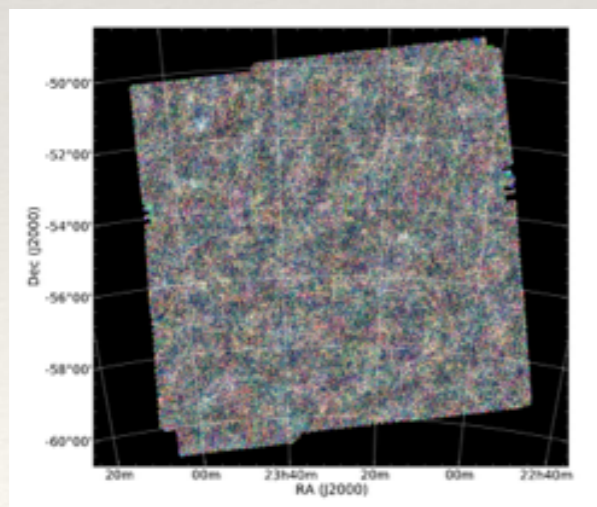
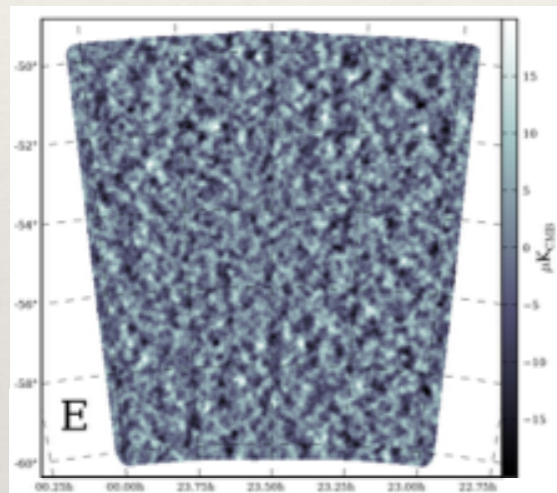


# Forming the B template: II

So we can build a B template by replacing theory E/Phi with measured+filtered E/Phi

$$\hat{B}^{\text{lens}}(\boldsymbol{\ell}) = \int \frac{d^2\boldsymbol{\ell}'}{(2\pi)^2} W(\boldsymbol{\ell}, \boldsymbol{\ell}') \bar{E}(\boldsymbol{\ell}') \hat{\phi}(\boldsymbol{\ell} - \boldsymbol{\ell}')$$

Input maps



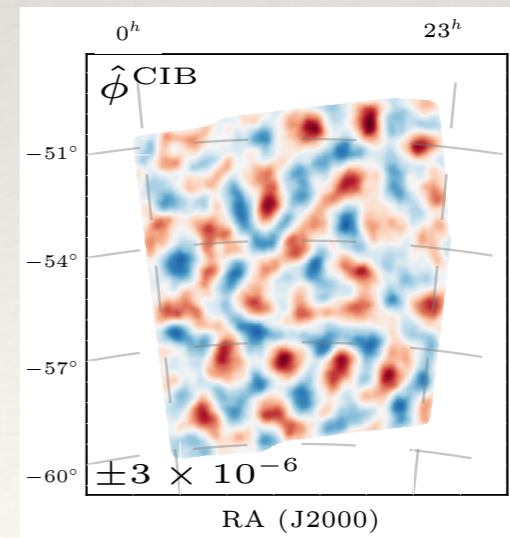
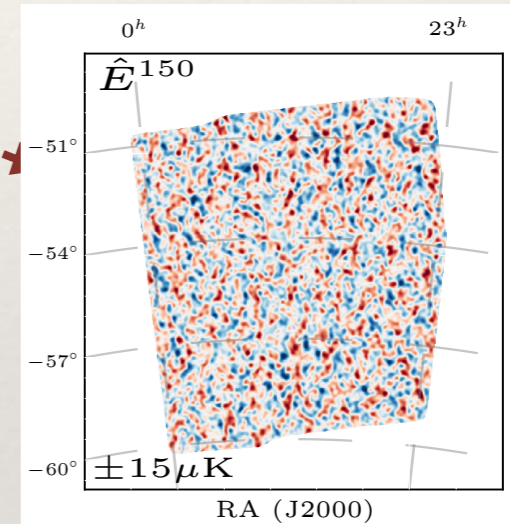
Filtering

$$\bar{E}(\boldsymbol{\ell}) \approx \left( \frac{C_{\ell}^{EE}}{C_{\ell}^{EE} + N_{\ell}^{EE}} \right) E^N(\boldsymbol{\ell})$$

$$\hat{\phi}_{\boldsymbol{\ell}}^{\text{CIB}} = \left( \frac{C_{\ell}^{\text{CIB}-\phi}}{C_{\ell}^{\text{CIB}-\text{CIB}}} \right) I^{\text{CIB}}(\boldsymbol{\ell})$$

filters chosen to minimize residual variance

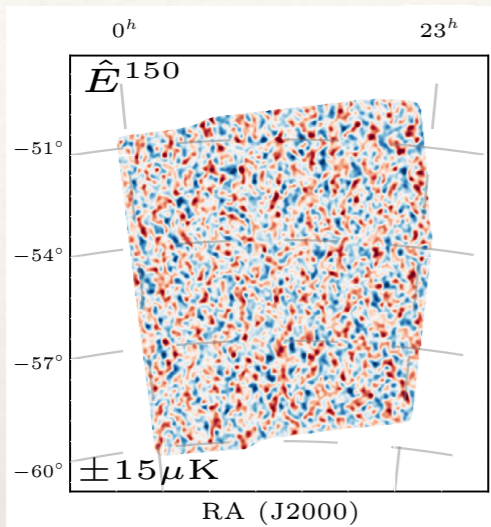
Filtered maps



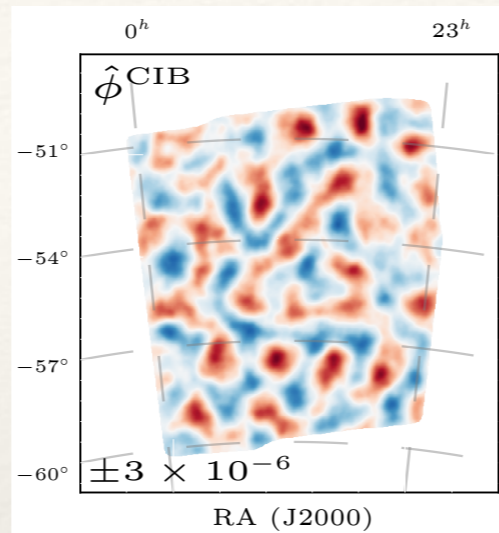


# Delens

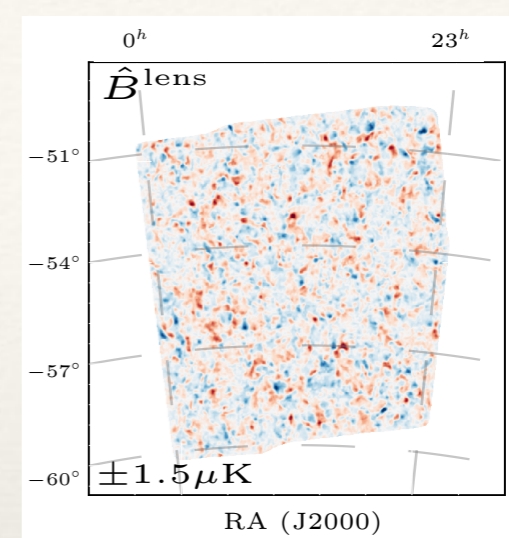
filtered E map



filtered Phi estimate

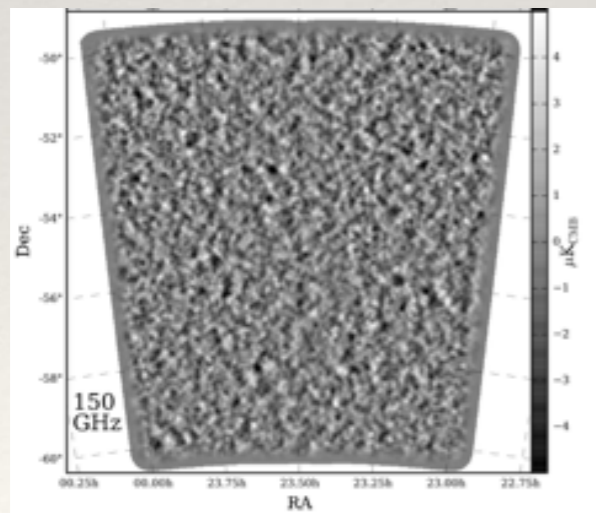


B template

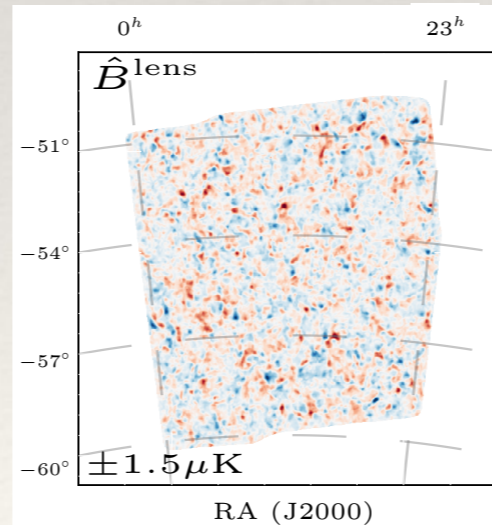


To ensure 'fair subtraction', apply 2D transfer function on the B template before subtracting from B mode map

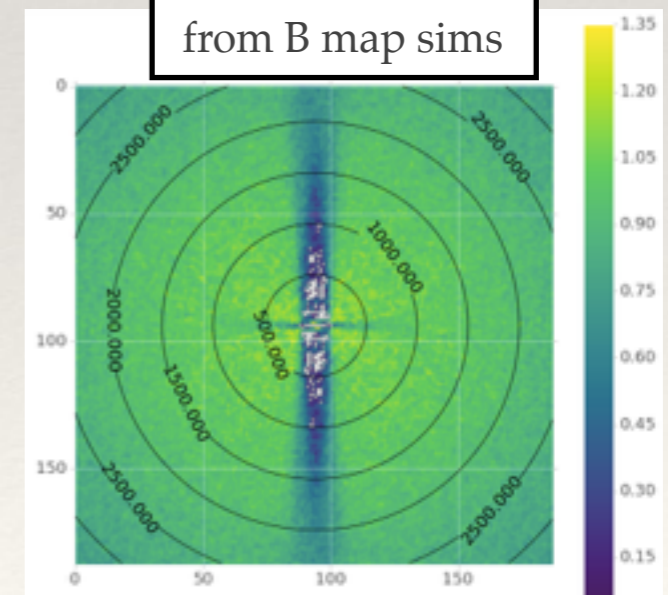
B map



B template



Transfer Function from B map sims

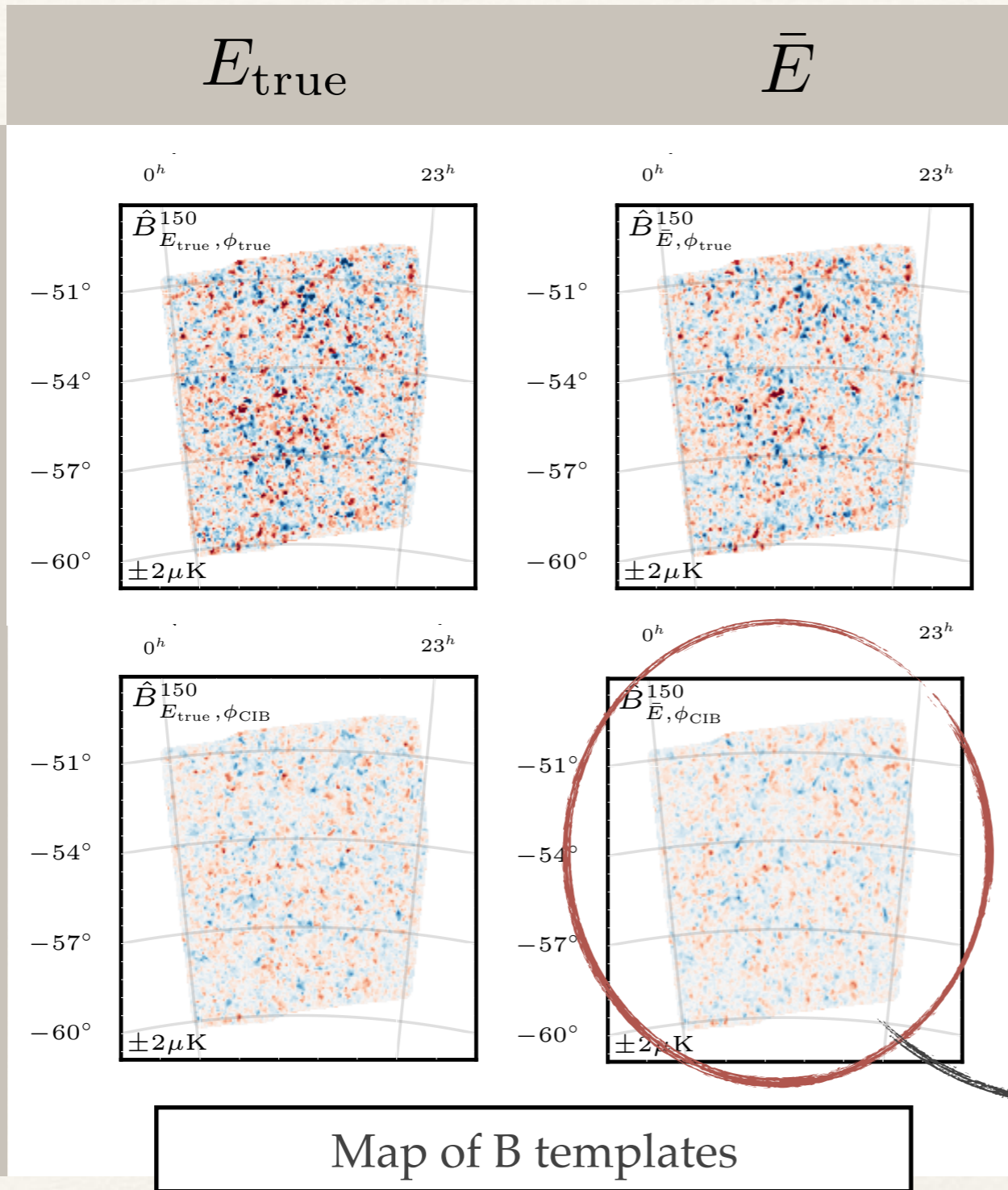




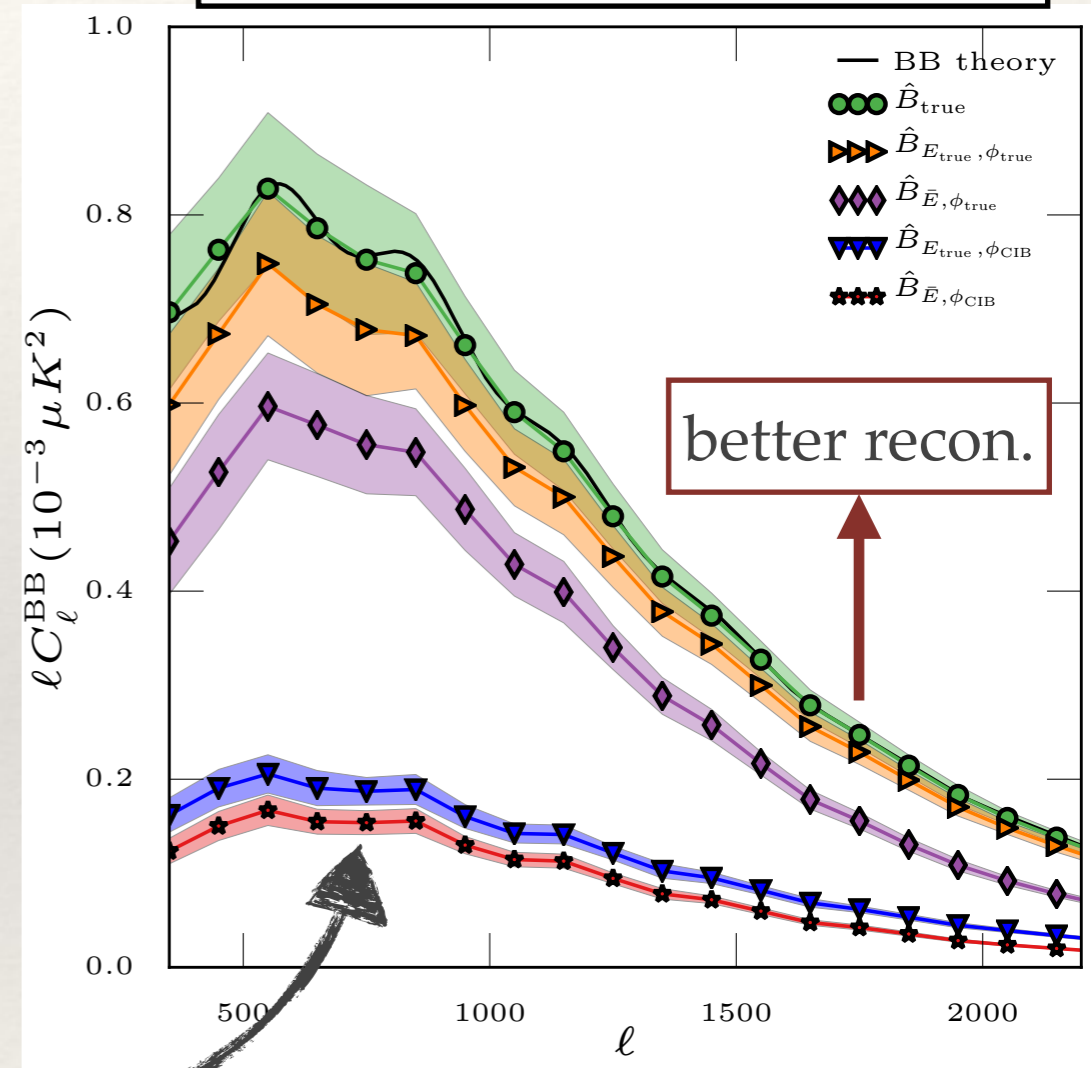
# How well we reconstruct lensing B-modes $\rightarrow$ how well we delens

$\phi_{\text{true}}$

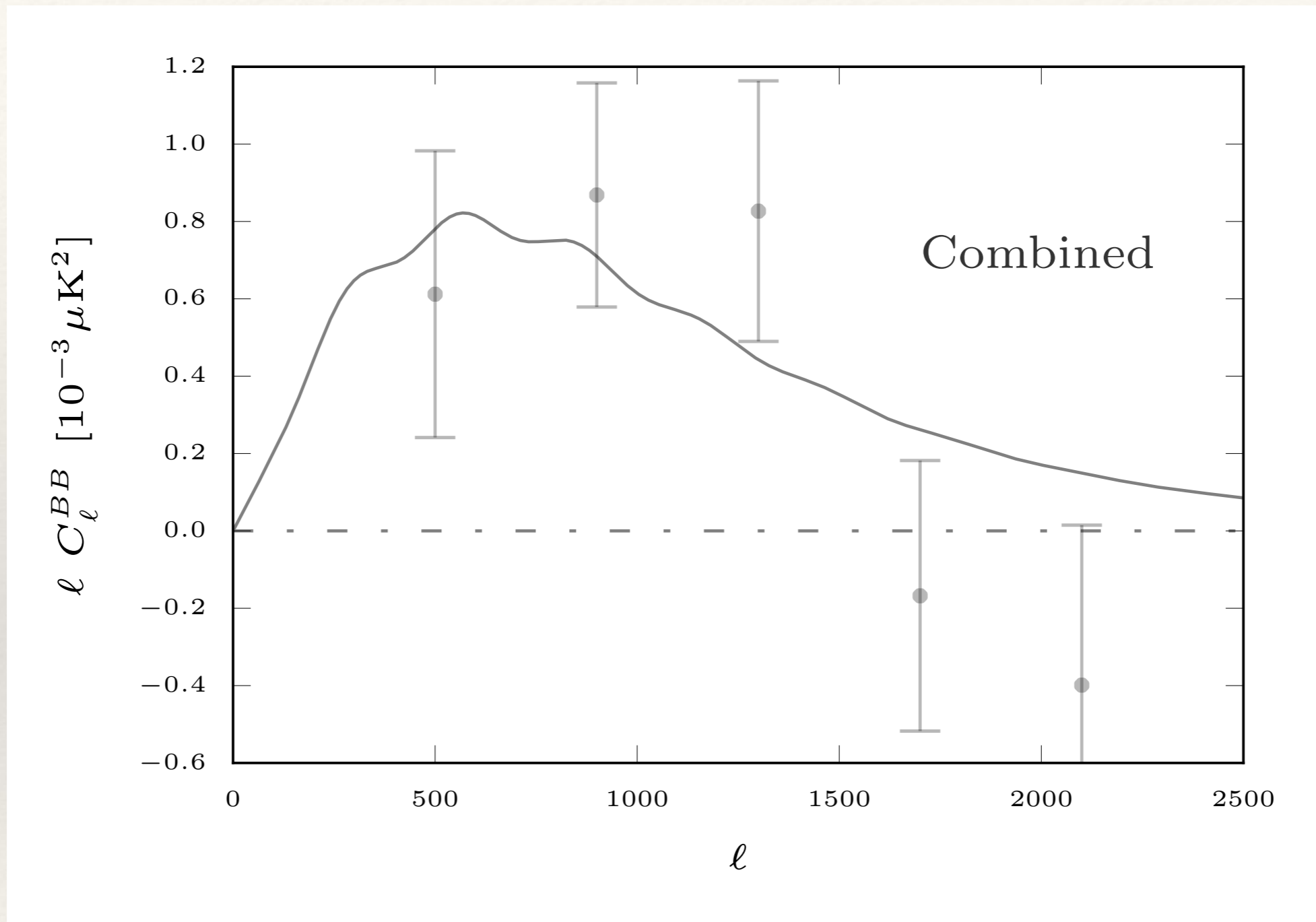
$\phi_{\text{CIB}}$



Auto-spectra of B templates

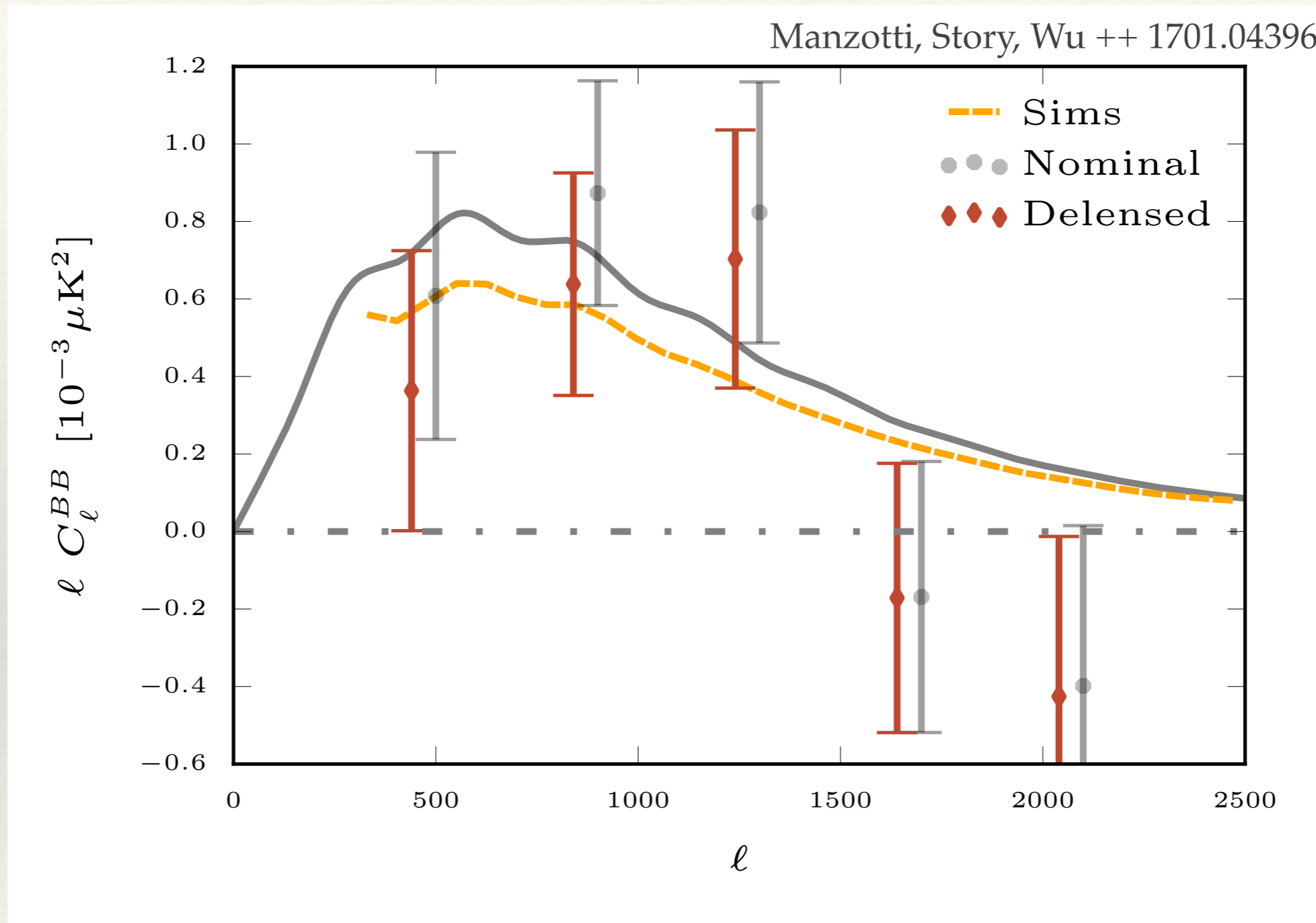


# SPTpol BB spectrum (no delensing)





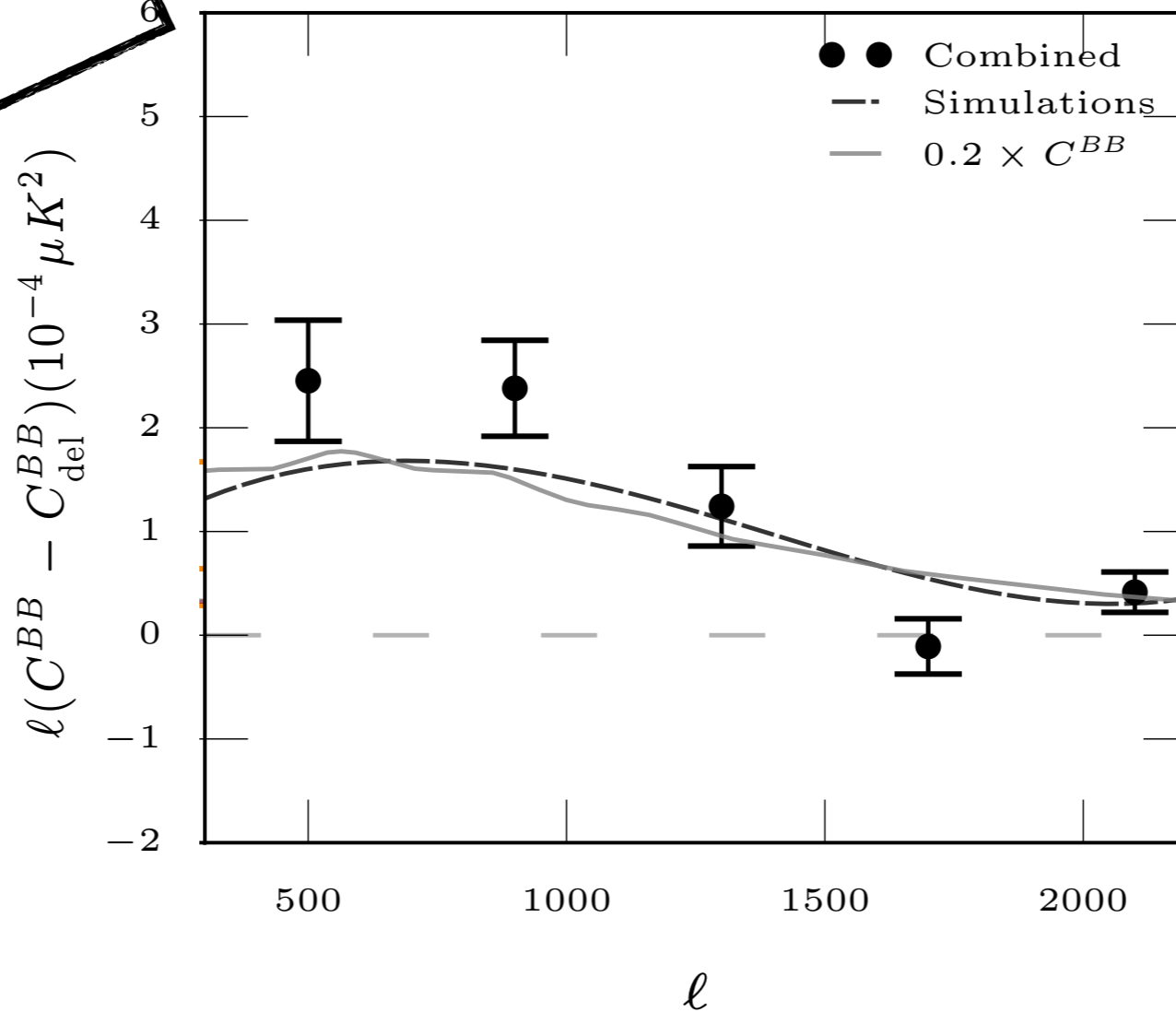
# Delensed SPTpol BB spectrum



28% reduction in best-fit  $A_L$   
(consistent with expectations from simulations)

# Spectrum difference: test no delensing

lensing BB - delensed BB  
bandpowers



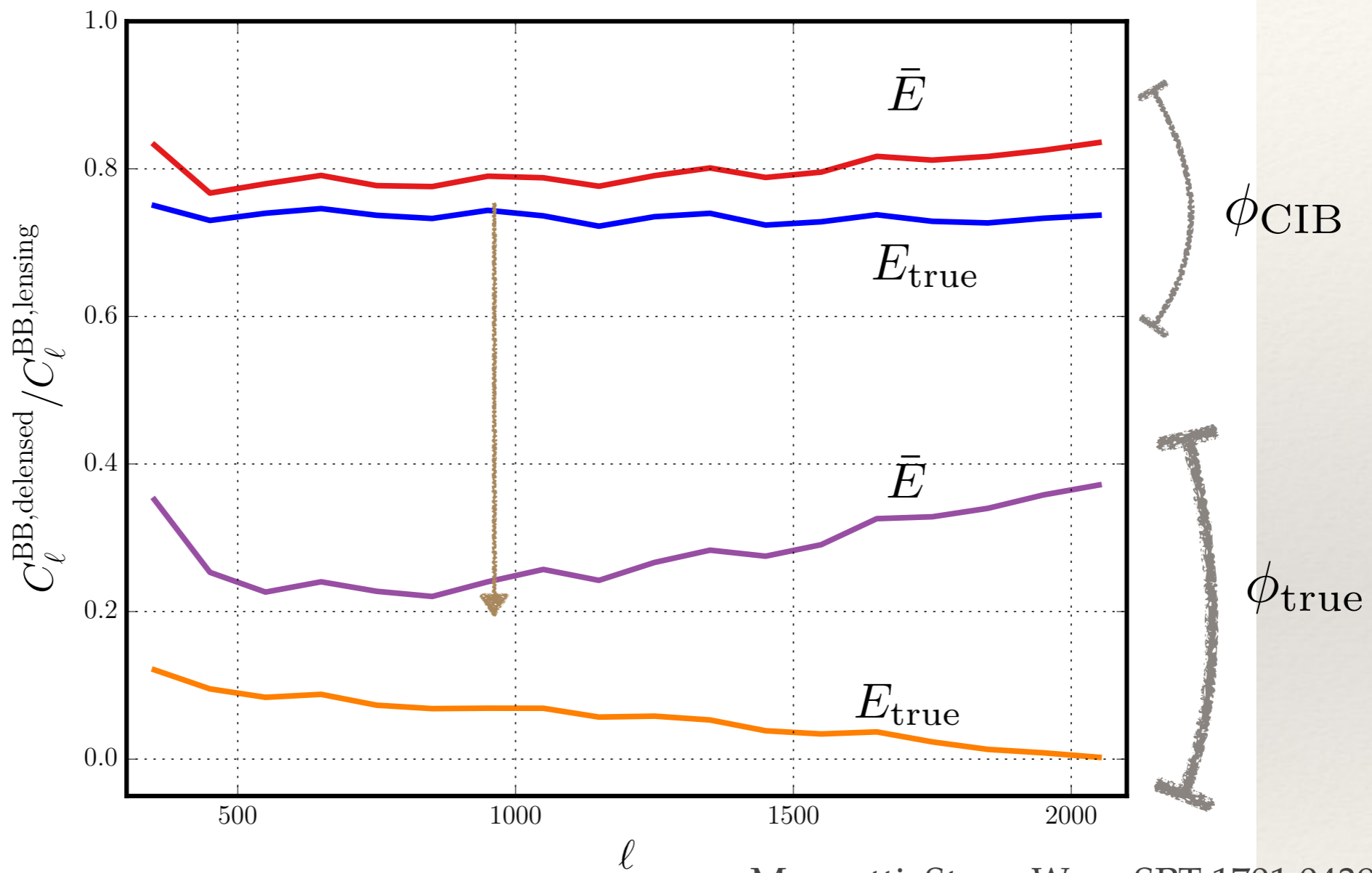
zero,  
if no delensing

Reject no delensing at 6.9 sigma



# Current limitations to delensing

Less delensing ↑



Manzotti, Story, Wu + SPT 1701.04396

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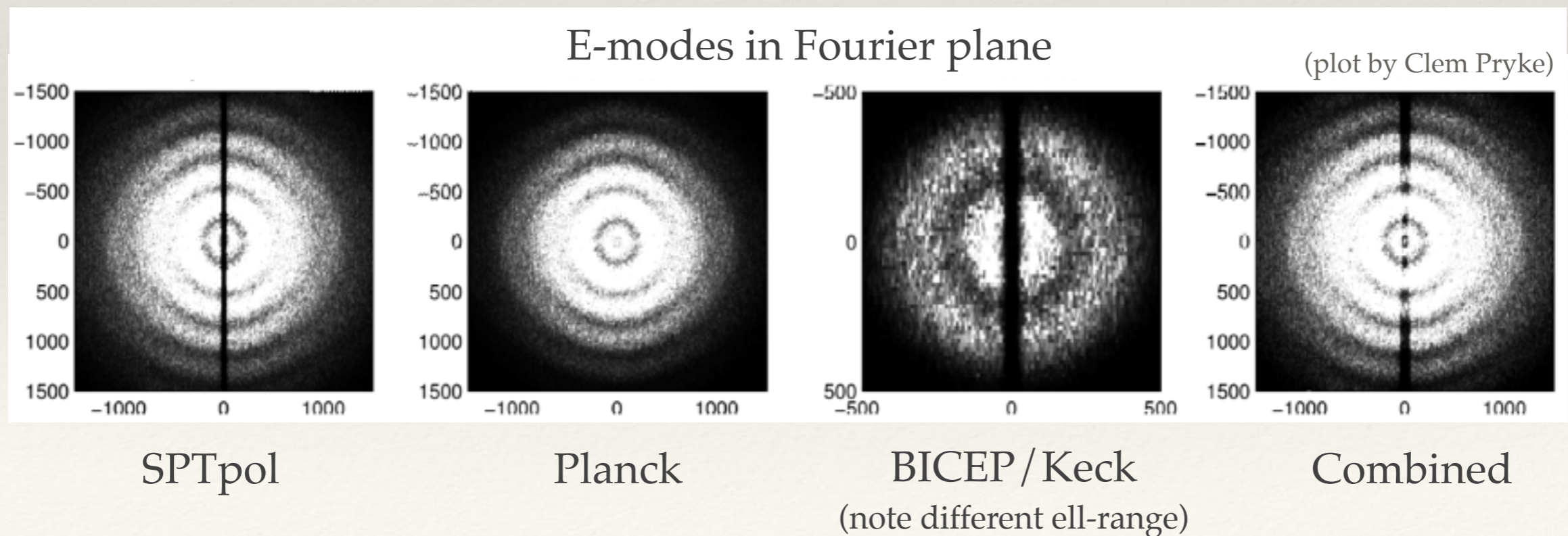
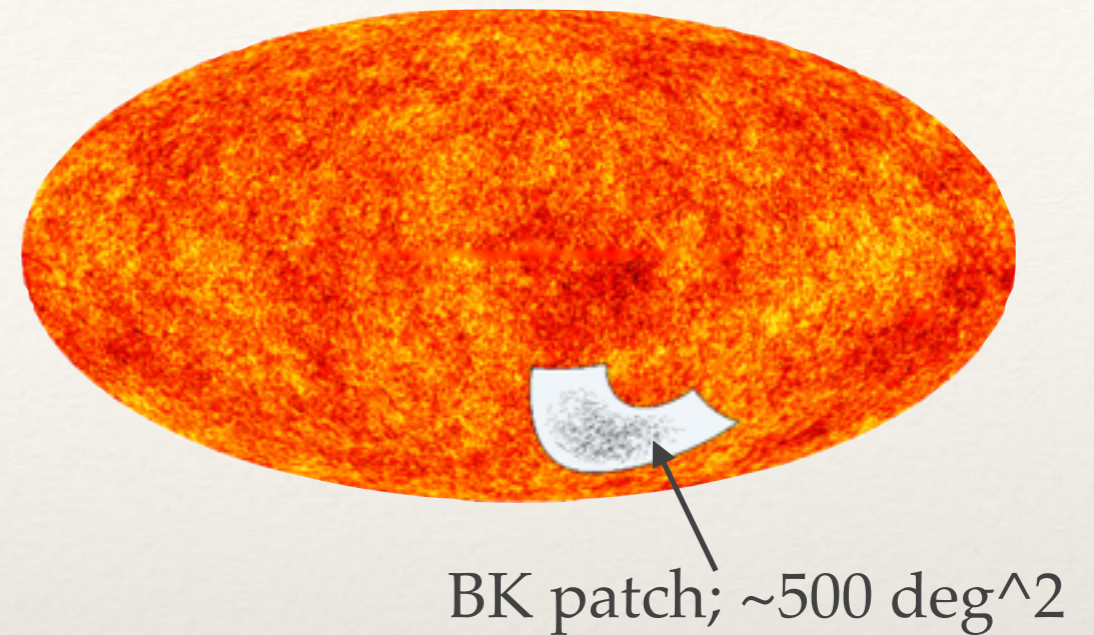
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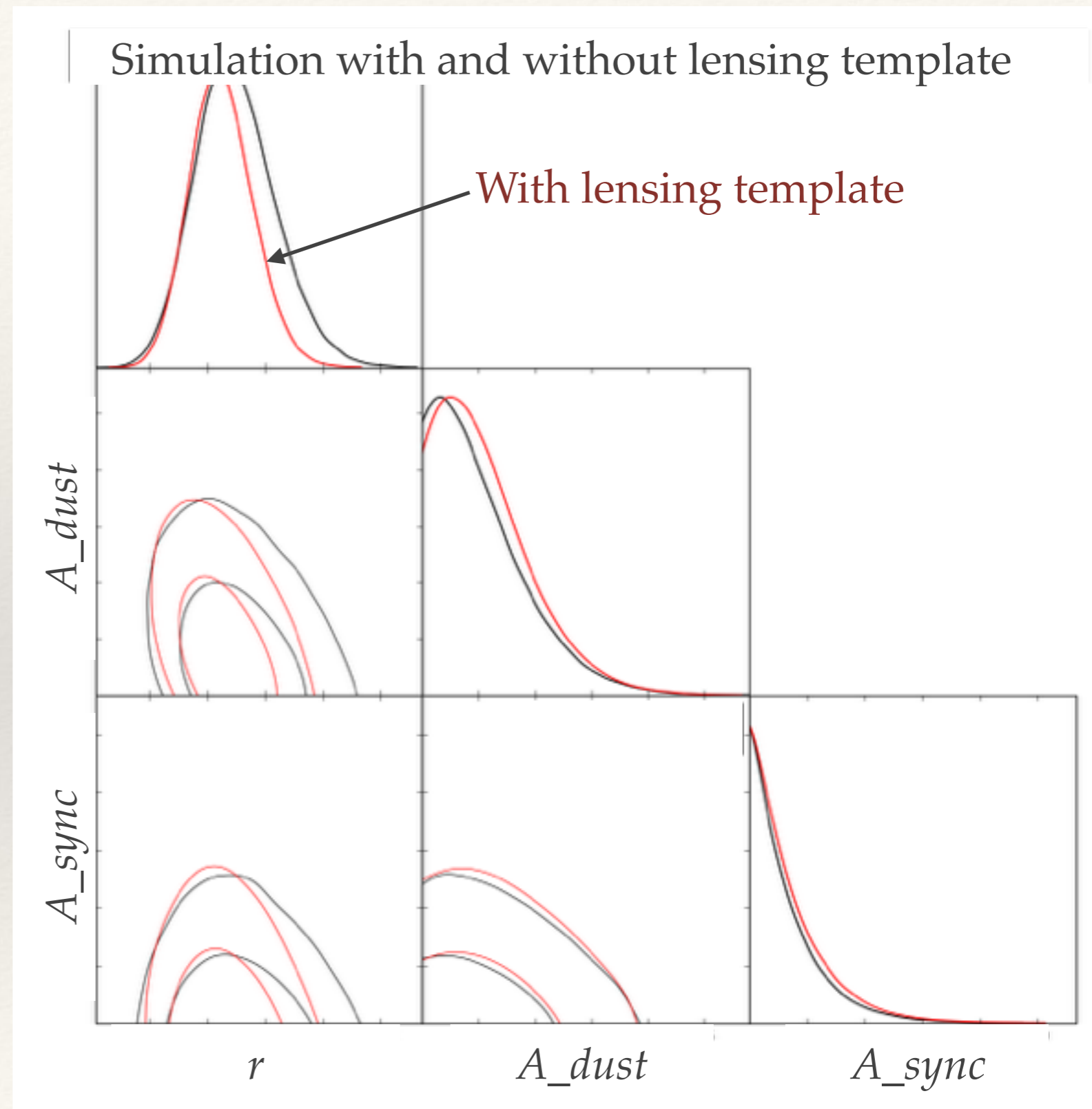
# Inputs to BK delensing analysis

- ❖ Phi tracer: Planck's CIB map
- ❖ Q/U maps: combination of BICEP/Keck, SPTpol, and Planck maps



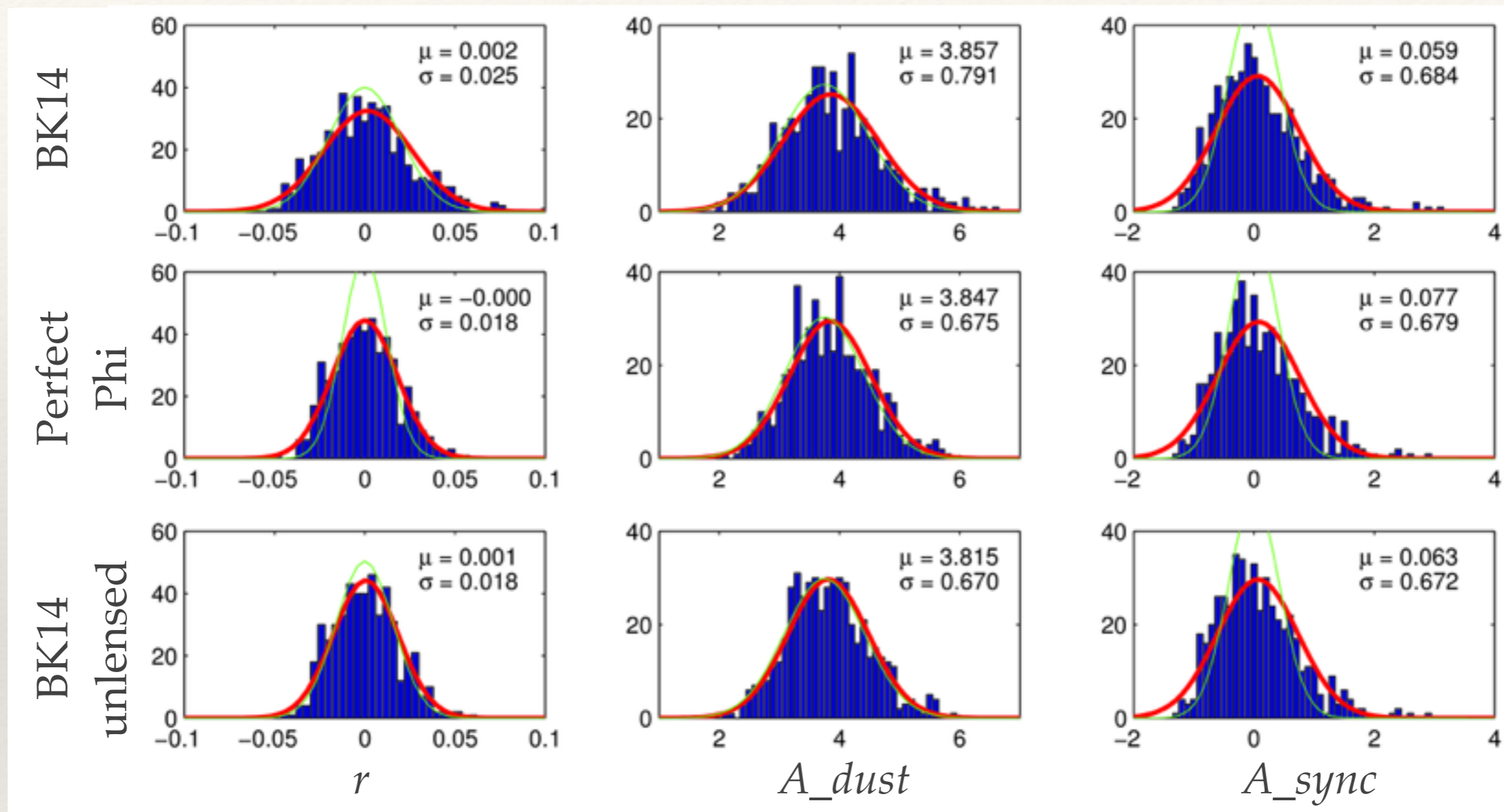
# Lensing template as input in multicomponent analysis

- ❖ Instead of subtracting the lensing modes from the maps, use them as input to constrain the lensing component in the multicomponent analysis.
- ❖ This is similar to using the WMAP/Planck frequencies to constraint galactic dust/synchrotron components.
- ❖ In the BICEP/Keck analysis to constraint  $r$ , foreground model include galactic dust, synchrotron, and lensing.





# How much do we improve $\sigma(r)$ ?



(plot by Colin Bischoff)

- ❖ With perfect Phi map (no decorrelation, no noise), adding a lensing template to the BK14 data set improves  $\sigma(r)$  from 0.025 to 0.018
- ❖ Using CIB phi tracer to form the lensing template,  $\sigma(r)$  improves by  $\sim 10\%$  from BK14

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# Conclusions/Ideas

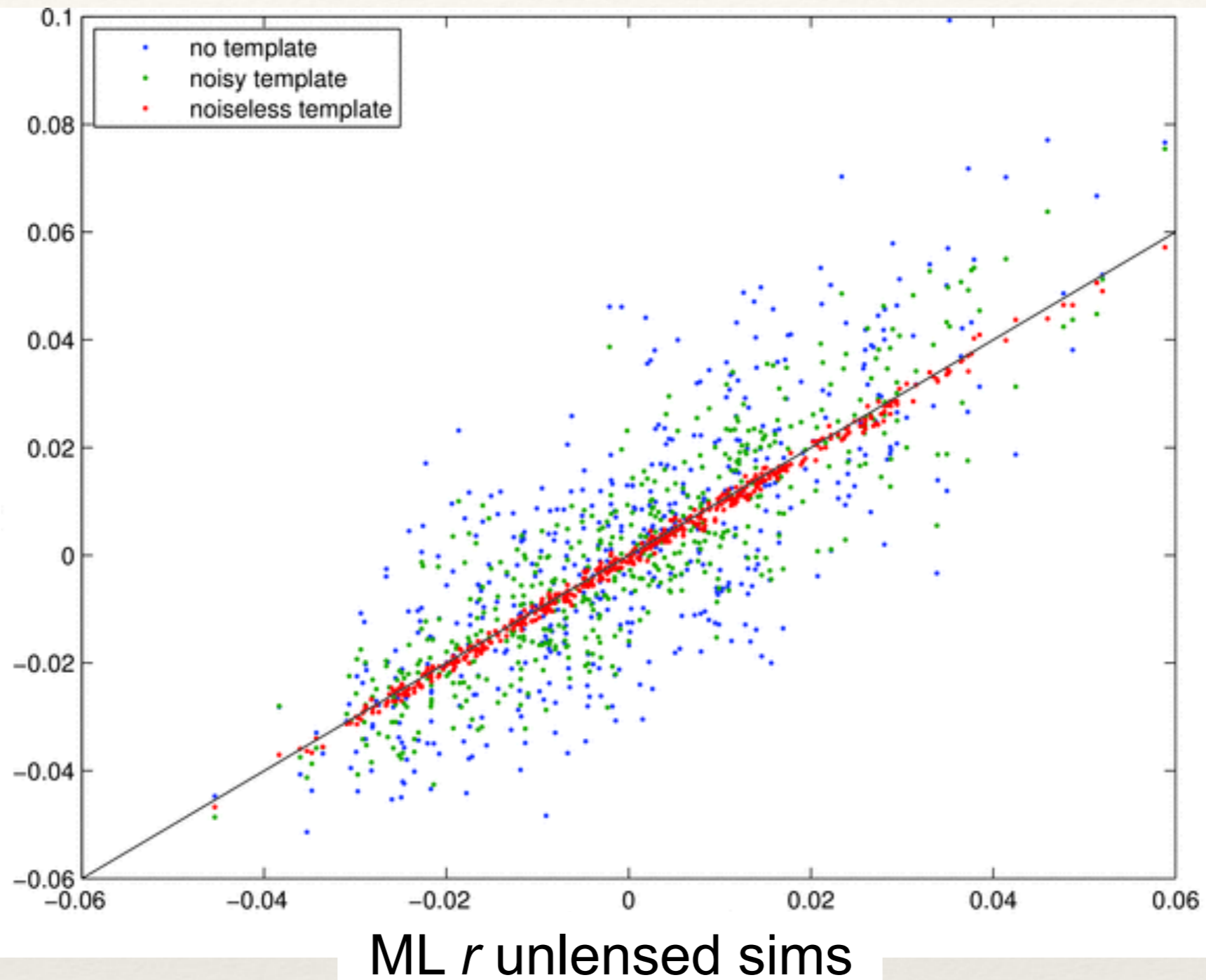
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- ❖ Using SPTpol and Herschel data, we have demonstrated delensing of B modes. We reduced the best-fit lensing amplitude by 28% and ruled out the no delensing hypothesis at 6.9 sigma.
- ❖ Delensing is currently limited by the noise / decorrelation of the Phi tracers.
- ❖ Work in progress that demonstrate reduction of  $\sigma(r)$  through delensing in BICEP / Keck data.
- ❖ For satellite experiment like Litebird with low resolution and full-sky coverage, while constraining  $r$  through the reionization bump does not need delensing, one can get additional check using the recombination bump. To get a good Phi tracer,
  - ❖ Can internally reconstruct phi using CMB maps (e.g. BICEP / Keck's phi reconstruction 1606.01968)
  - ❖ Can also get CIB internally
  - ❖ External tracers available from LSST, Euclid, SKA, and competitive for delensing (e.g. Manzotti 1710.11038)



extras

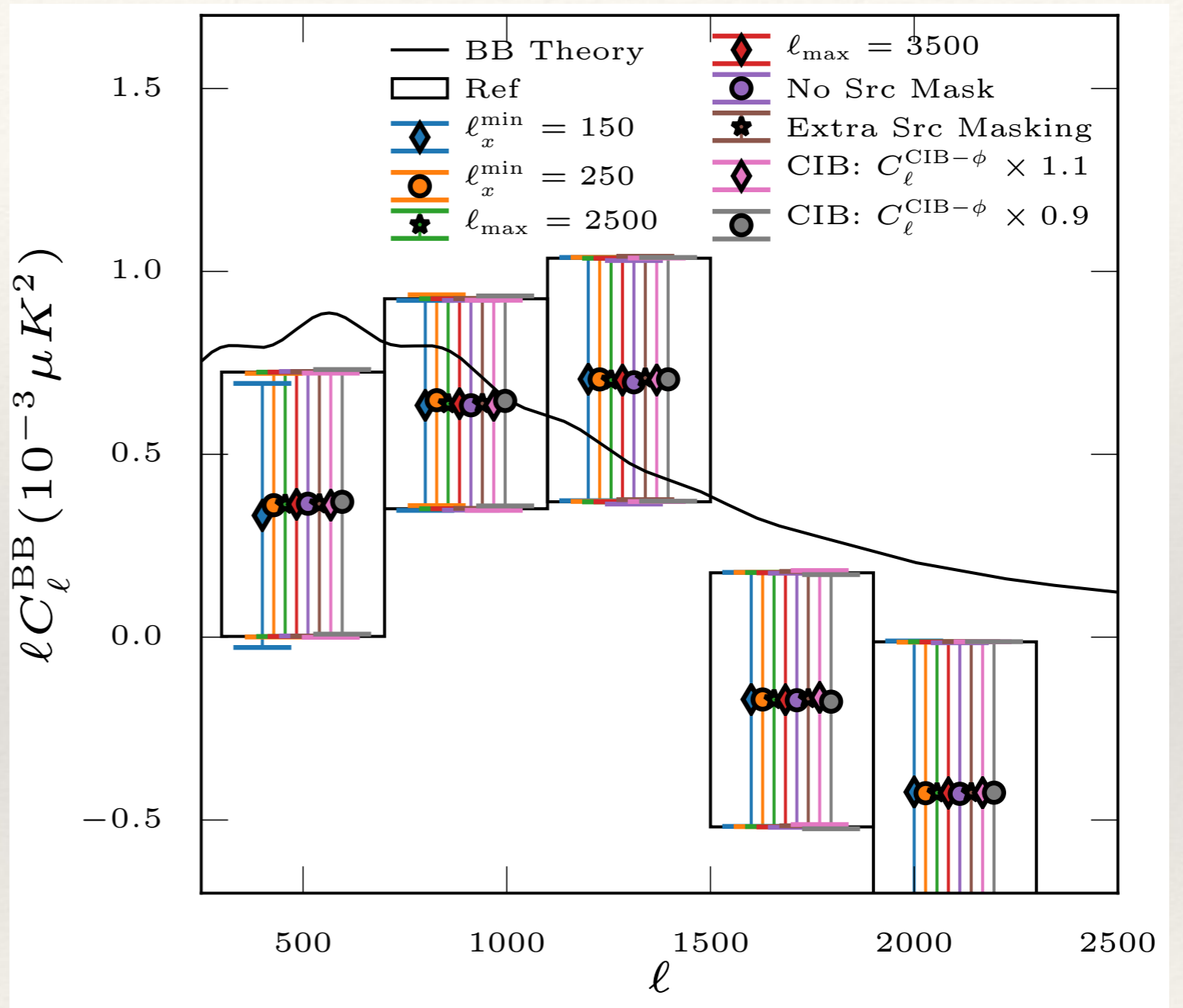
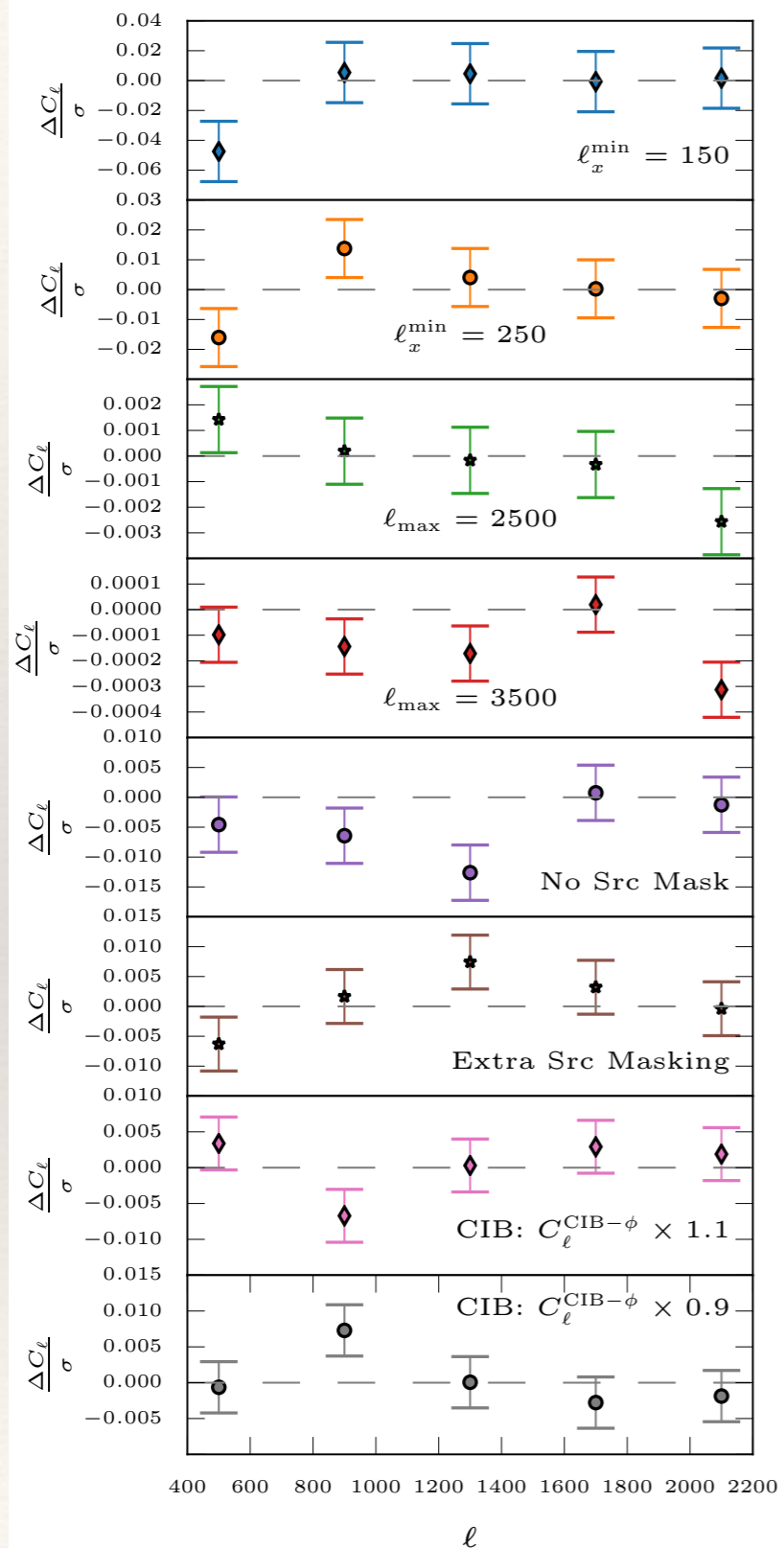
ML  $r$  delensed sims



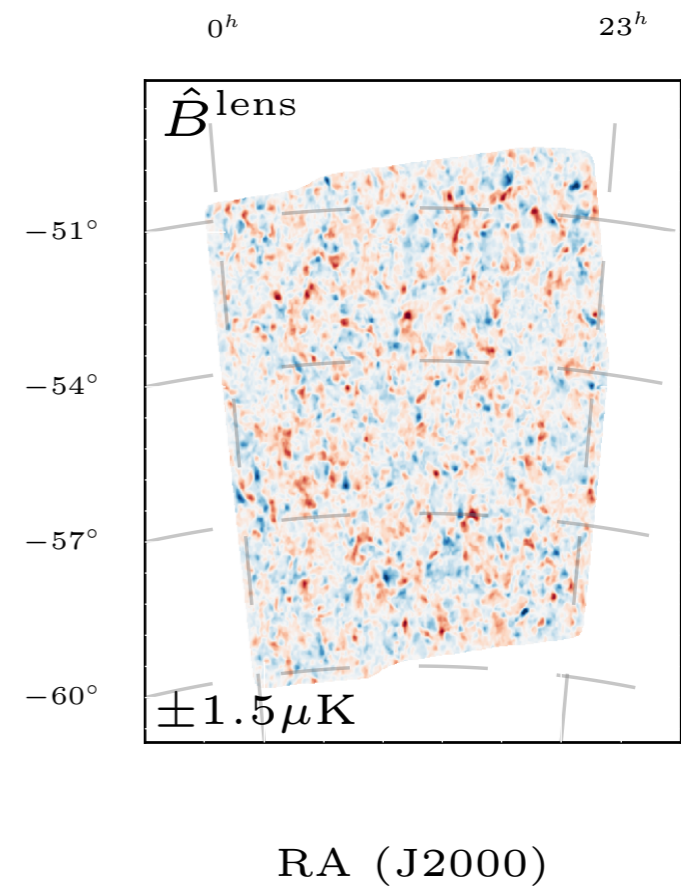
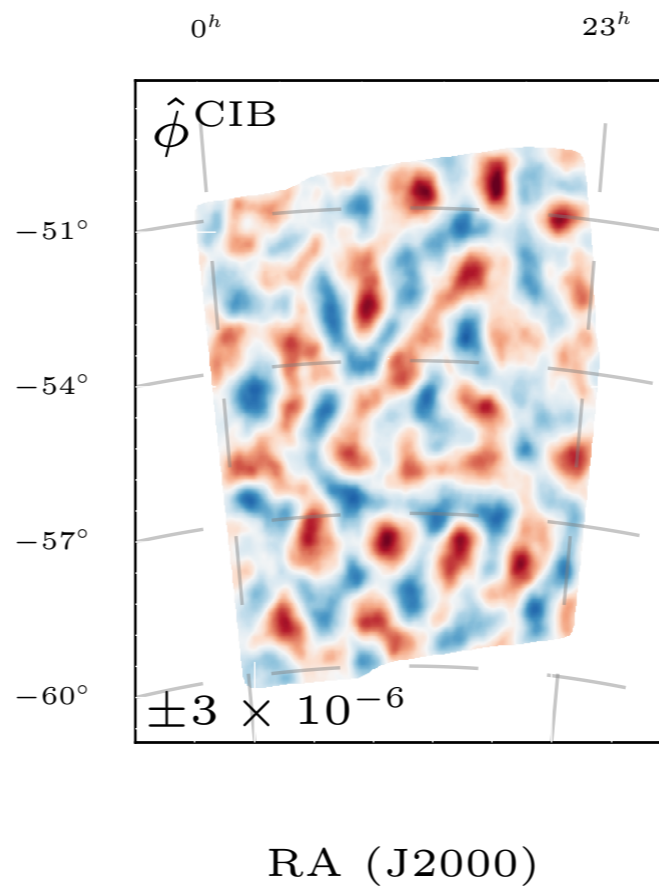
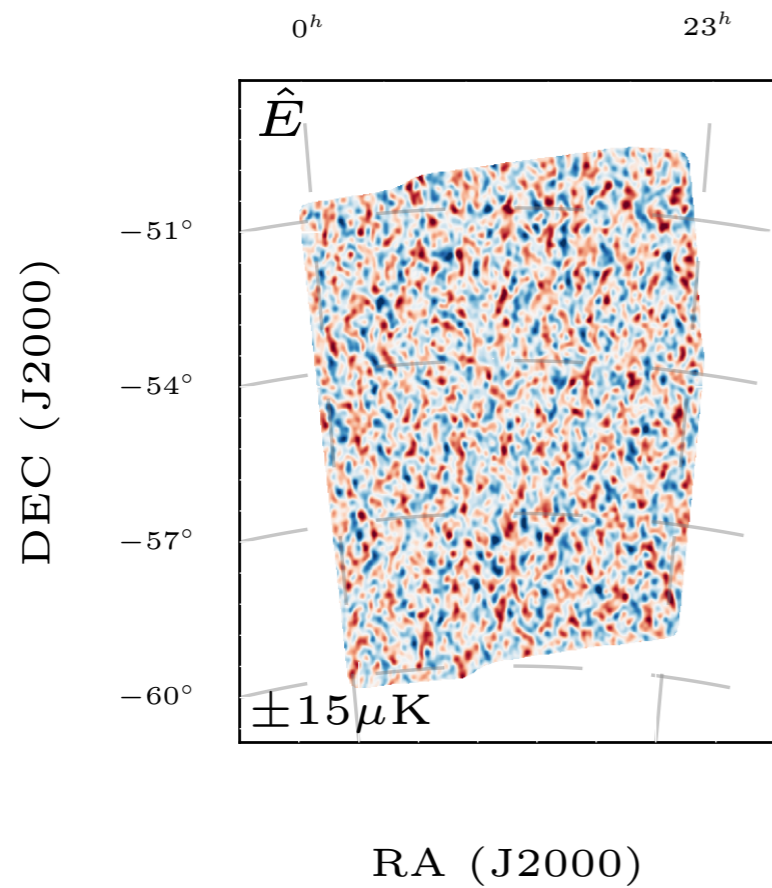
If we have a perfect lensing template then “delensing” works perfectly - the ML  $r$  values are identical between unlensed and delensed sims on a *realization-by-realization* basis. (red points)



# Systematics tests

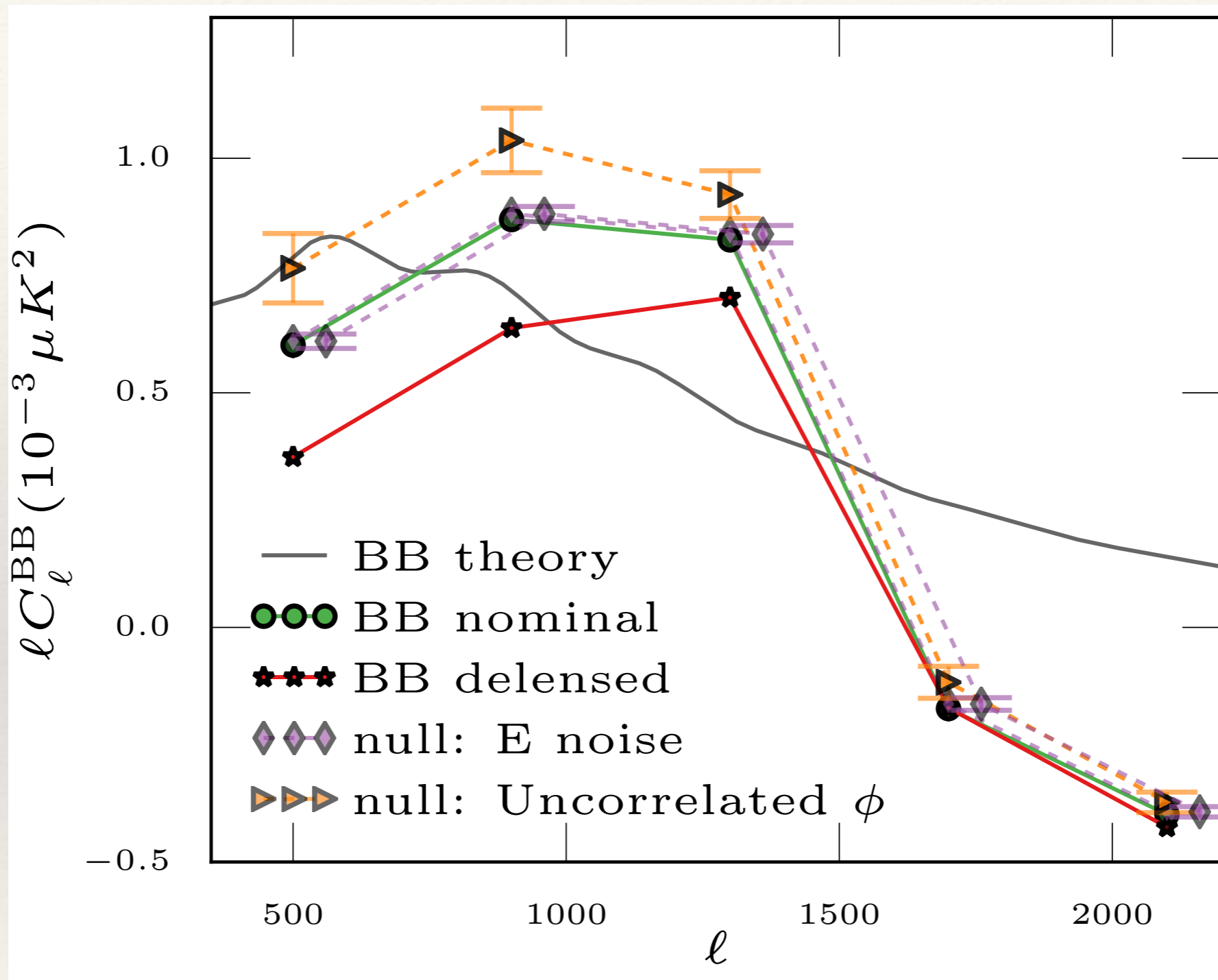


# Data maps





# null tests



# Understanding delensing efficiency

Delensed BB spectrum:

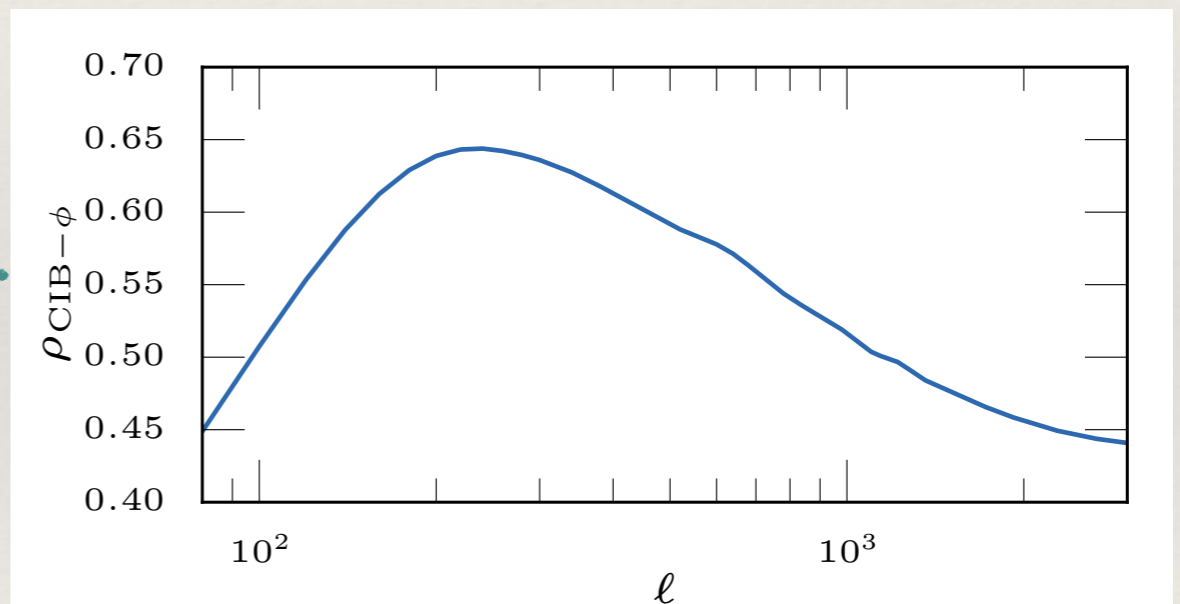
$$C_{\ell}^{BB, \text{res}} = \int \frac{d^2 \ell'}{(2\pi)^2} W^2(\ell, \ell') C_{\ell'}^{EE} C_{|\ell-\ell'|}^{\phi\phi} \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{C_{\ell'}^{EE}}{C_{\ell'}^{EE} + N_{\ell'}^{EE}} \right) \rho_{|\ell-\ell'|}^2 \right]$$

Nominal lensing B

B template part

CIB-phi cross-correlation

$$\rho_{\ell} = \frac{C_{\ell}^{\text{CIB}-\phi}}{\sqrt{C_{\ell}^{\text{CIB}-\text{CIB}} C_{\ell}^{\phi\phi}}}$$



Factors affecting delensing efficiency:

- E noise
- phi 'noise' (decorrelation)
- Non-idealities in E/phi signal