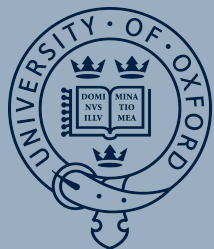


# A minimal power-spectrum-based moment expansion for CMB B-mode searches

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*Based on* [arXiv:2011.11575](https://arxiv.org/abs/2011.11575)



# < 1 minute summary

- ❖ We propose a simple extension to the usual power-spectrum-based likelihood which accounts for spatially varying spectral indices
  - We look at the minimal moments-space expansion at the power-spectrum level for B-modes in ground based telescopes
- ❖ We test the method on simulations of varying complexities and on real data and we find that it is able to correct for the kind of biases that we expect for future CMB B-modes experiments

# Detecting B-modes

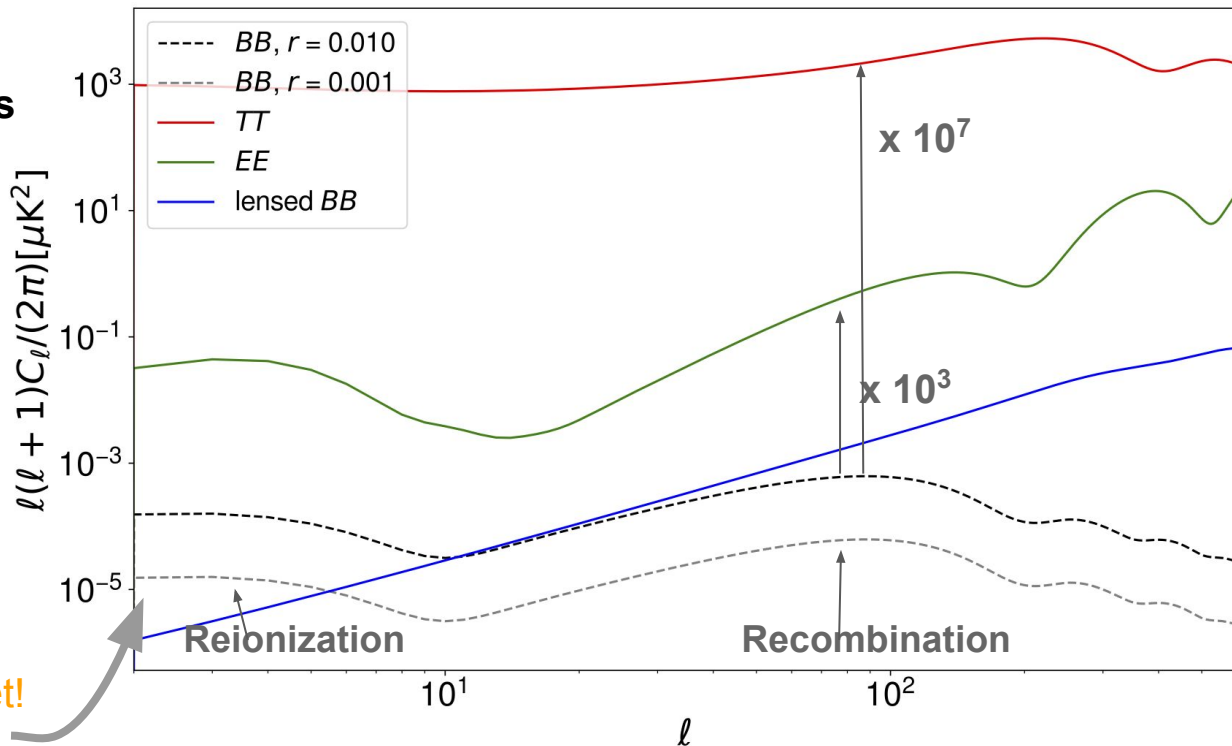
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to reduce bias on  $r$ .

$r \sim \mathcal{O}(10^{-2}-10^{-3})$

CMB-S4, LiteBIRD target!

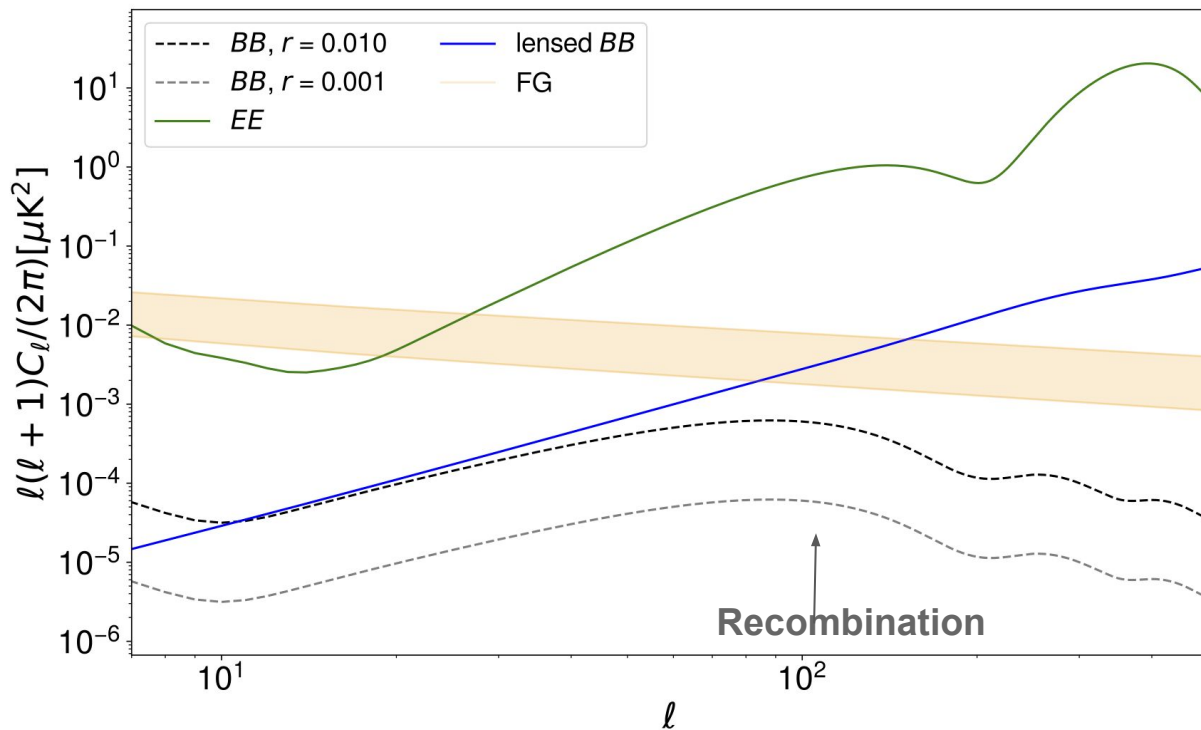


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- ❖ **Component separation** to isolate the CMB signal
- ❖ **Characterize varying foreground emission** to properly model the sky



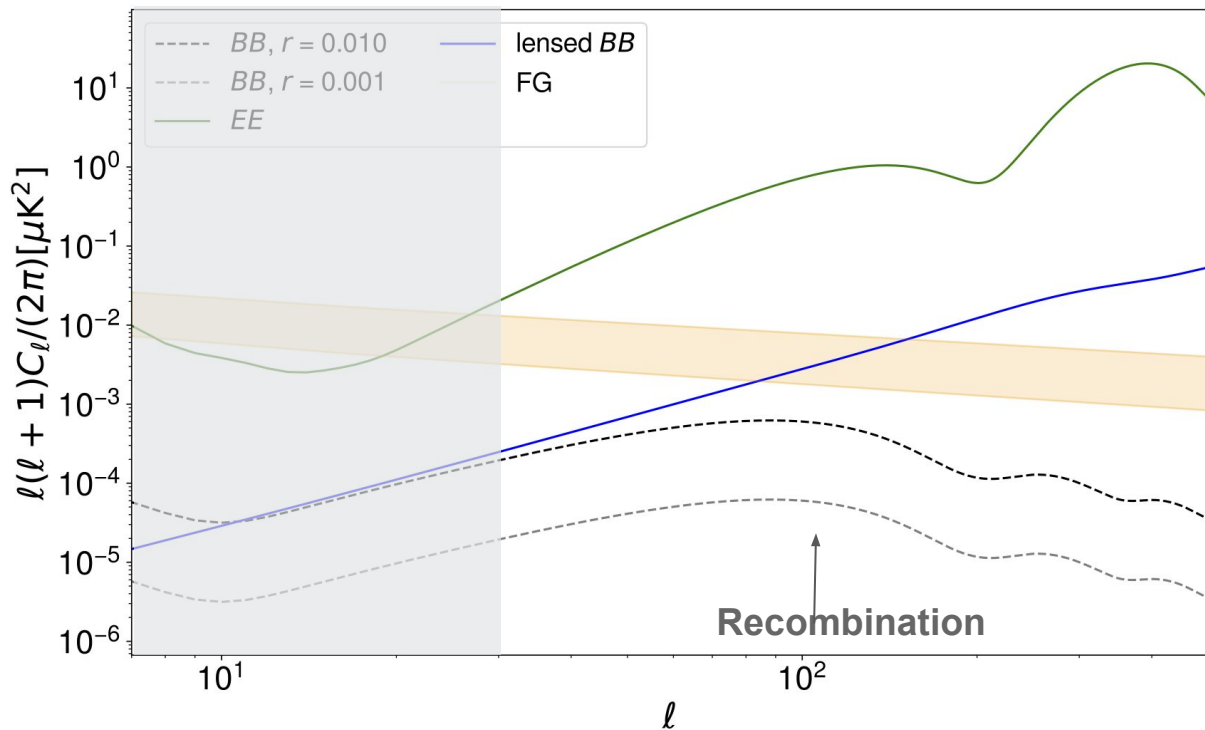
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Additional challenges for **ground-based experiments**:

- Atmosphere
- Ground pickup



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Observed sky = (Polarized dust + synchrotron) + Polarized CMB

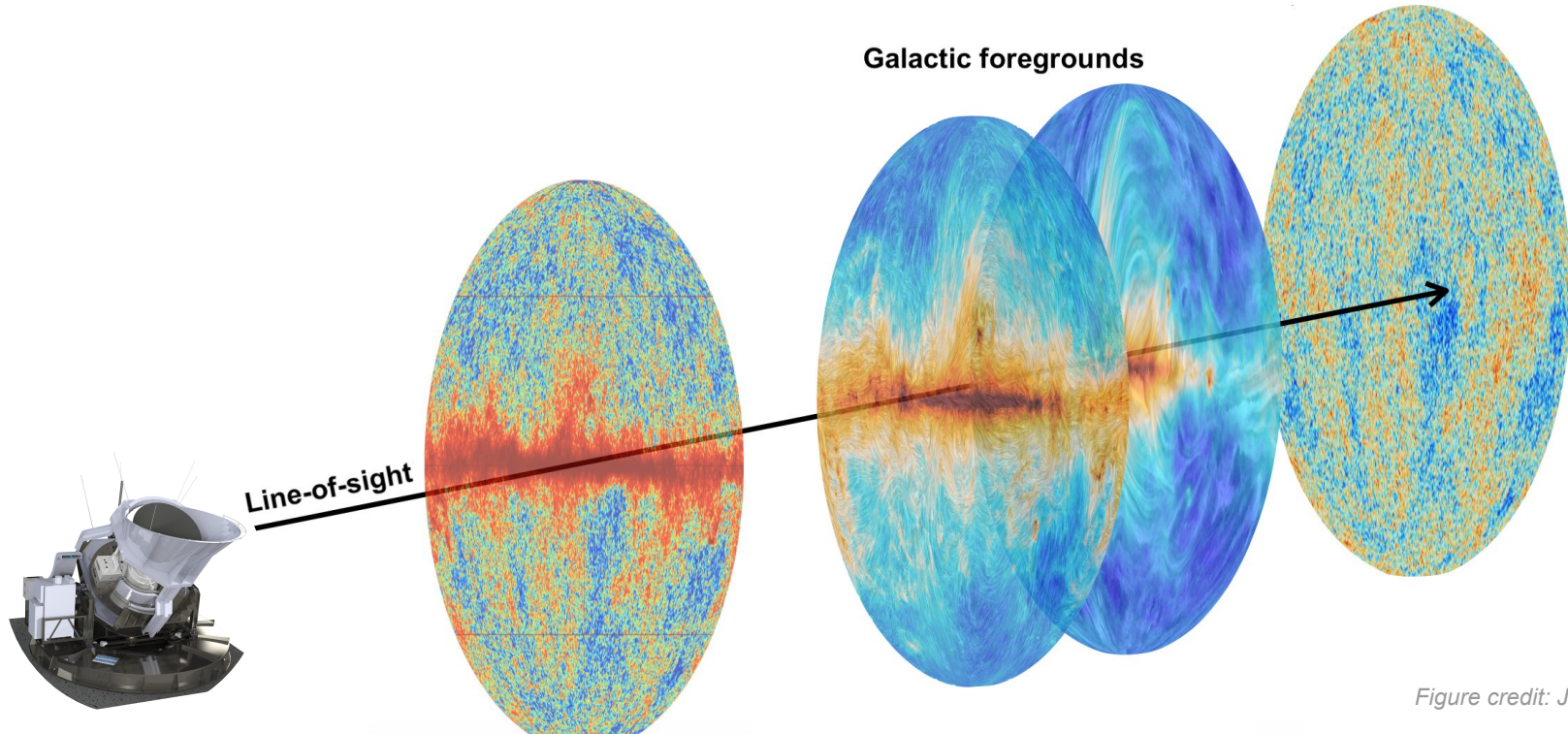
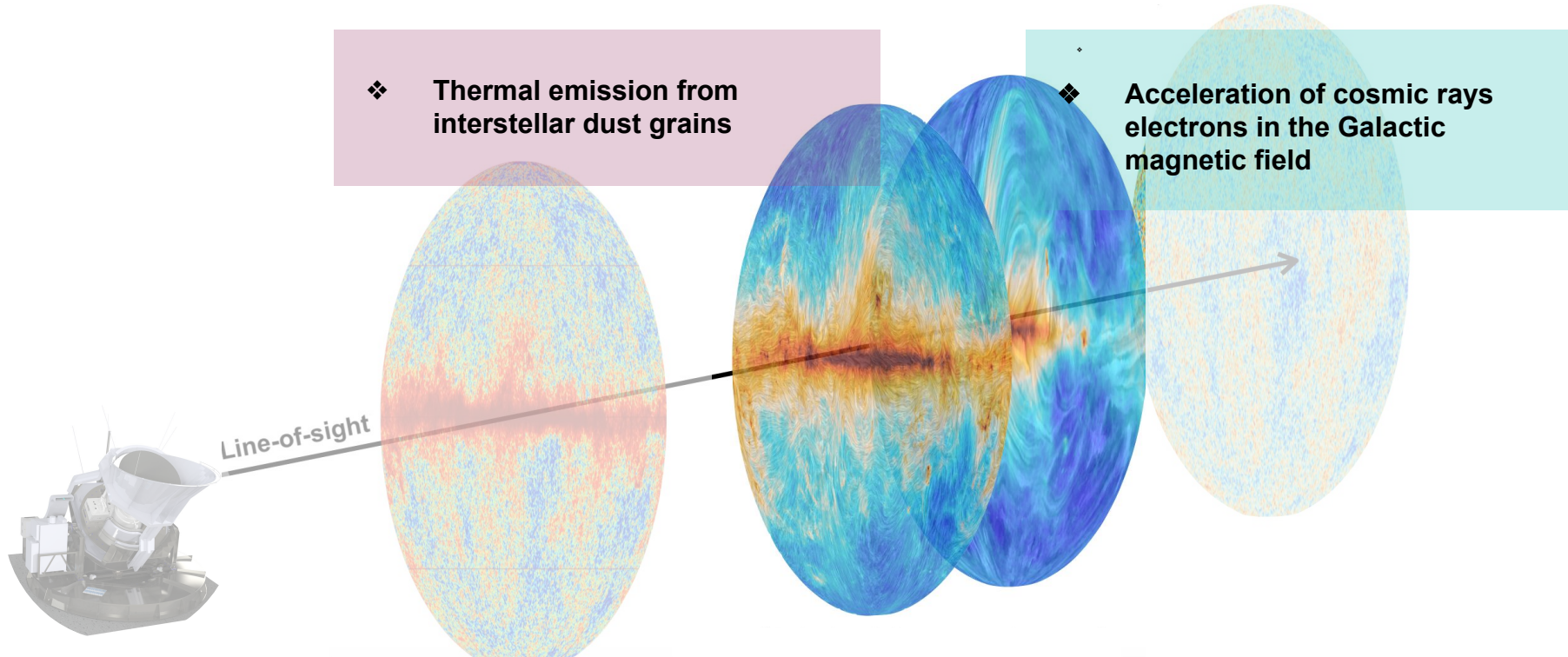


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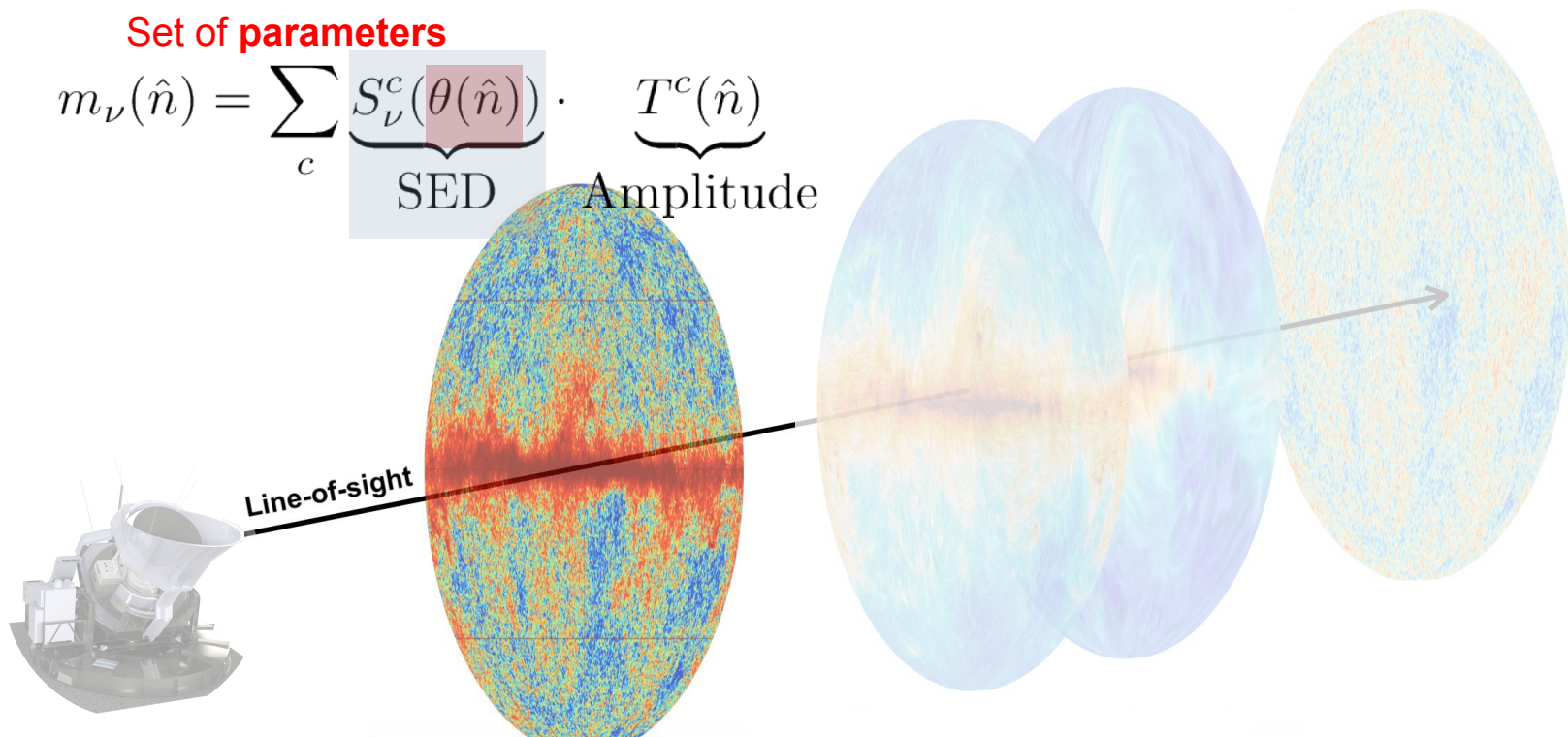


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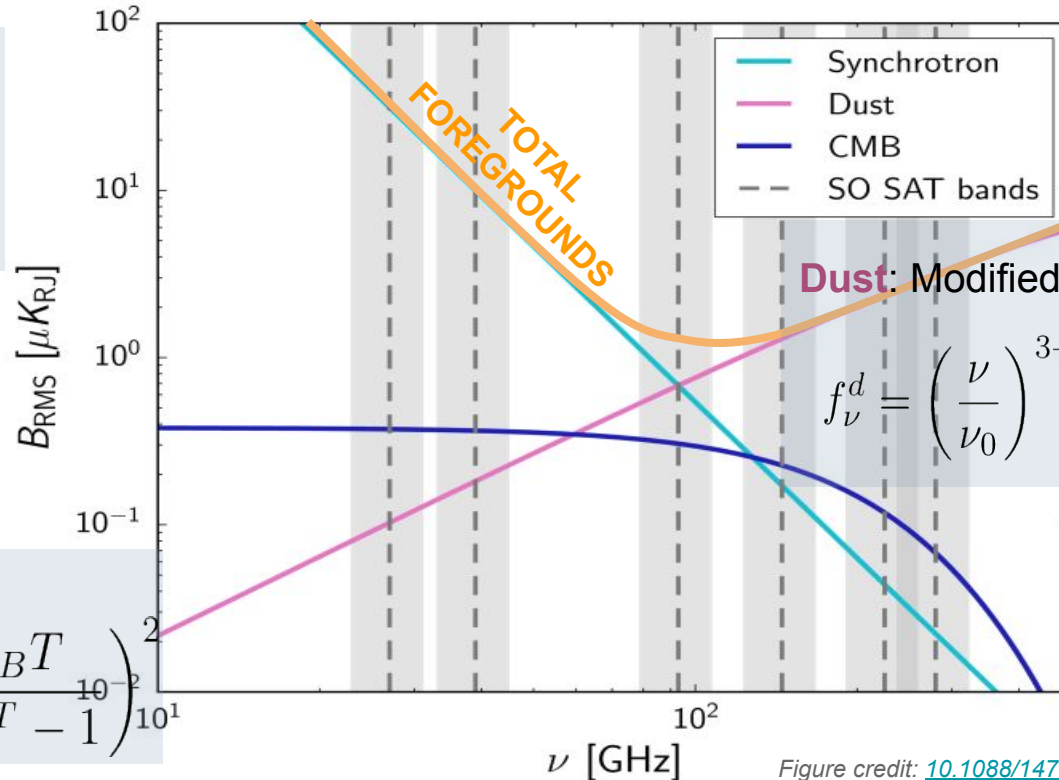
# Foregrounds SEDs

**Synchrotron:** Power law

$$f_{\nu}^s = \left( \frac{\nu}{\nu_0} \right)^{2+\beta_s}$$

**CMB:** Blackbody

$$f_{\nu}^{\text{CMB}} = e^{\frac{h\nu}{k_B T}} \left( \frac{h\nu/k_B T}{e^{h\nu/k_B T} - 1} \right)^2$$



**Dust: Modified Blackbody**

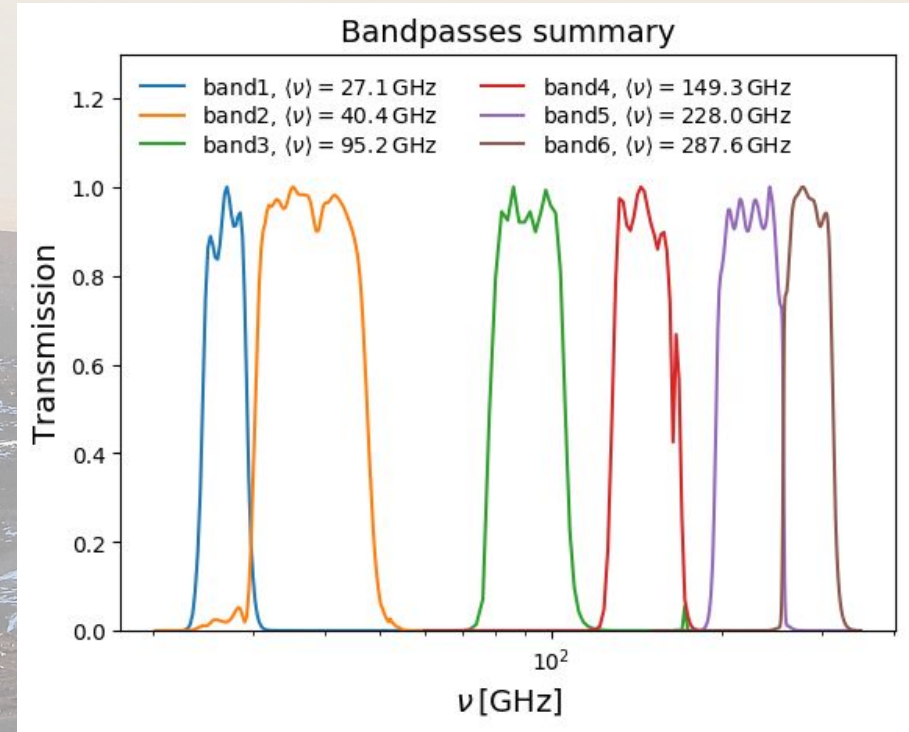
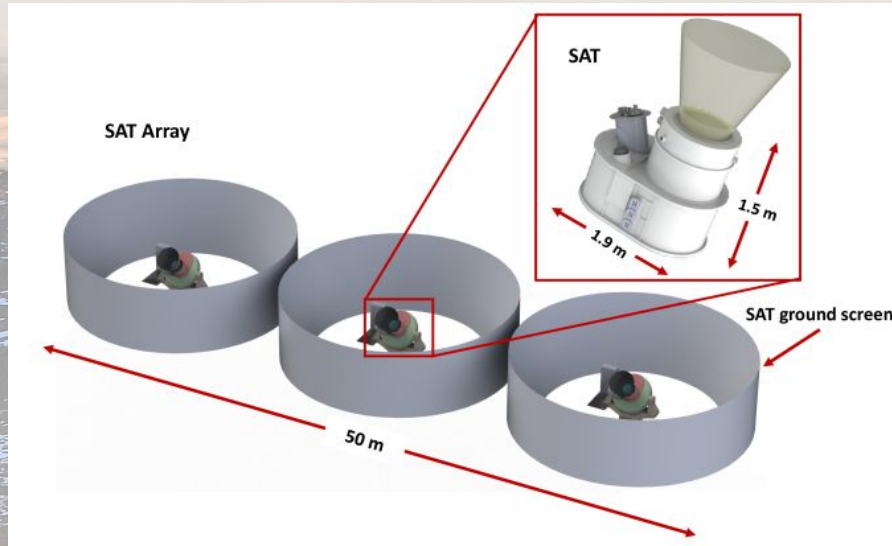
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# Simons Observatory

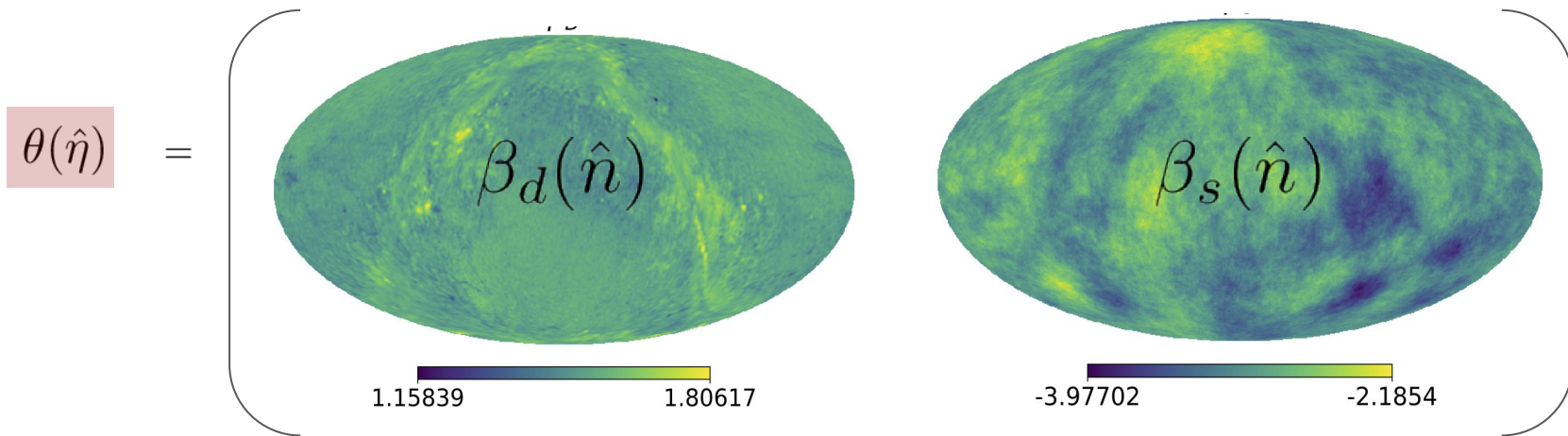


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# (Spatially-varying) Foregrounds

Set of **parameters** → **space dependent**



**SEDs spatially varying!**

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*Q: How do we remove spatially varying foregrounds?*



# Foregrounds removal methods

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- *BUT* Expensive computational cost for  $\ell_{\max} > \text{few hundreds}$

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Especially **Ideal for ground based experiments (e.g. SO, CMB-S4)**  
→ **Additional systematics** e.g. filtering, ground pickup, atmospheric noise, ...

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**Required to analyse data with higher sensitivity over wider patches of the sky** for the forthcoming B-modes experiments

***Need to address this!***



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*Q: How do we model spatially varying components?*

1. Specify templates for **spectral indices** and **amplitudes**
2. **Propagate model from map to  $C_\ell$**

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# Formalism

## 1) Spectral indices

Assume **small spatial variation**

$$\beta(\hat{\eta}) = \beta_0 + \delta\beta(\hat{\eta})$$

Based on existing “**moment expansion**” [Chluba, Hill & Abitbol \(2017\)](#)

Taylor expand SEDs, additional parameters

$$S_\nu^c(\beta(\hat{\eta})) = S_\nu^c(\beta_0) + \delta\beta(\hat{\eta}) \left. \frac{\partial S_\nu^c}{\partial \beta} \right|_{\beta_0} + \frac{1}{2!} [\delta\beta(\hat{\eta})]^2 \left. \frac{\partial^2 S_\nu^c}{\partial \beta^2} \right|_{\beta_0} + \dots$$

## Amplitudes

for dust, synchrotron, spectral indices: **power-laws**

$$C_\ell^{cc} = \langle T^c T^c \rangle_\ell = A_c \left( \frac{\ell}{80} \right)^{\alpha_c}, \quad C_\ell^{\beta_c \beta_c} = \langle \beta_c \beta_c \rangle_\ell = A_{\beta_c} \left( \frac{\ell}{80} \right)^{\gamma_c}$$

## 2) Propagate moments into the power spectrum

- Parameterize the  $C_\ell$  of the moment parameters
- Model SED spectral index as power law:

$$C_\ell^{\nu\nu'} = C_\ell^{\nu\nu'}|_{0\times 0} + C_\ell^{\nu\nu'}|_{0\times 1} + C_\ell^{\nu\nu'}|_{1\times 1} + C_\ell^{\nu\nu'}|_{0\times 2},$$

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Simplifying assumptions:

1. spectral index variations are Gaussianly distributed
2. foreground amplitudes and spectral index variations are uncorrelated
3. spectral index variations of different foreground sources are uncorrelated

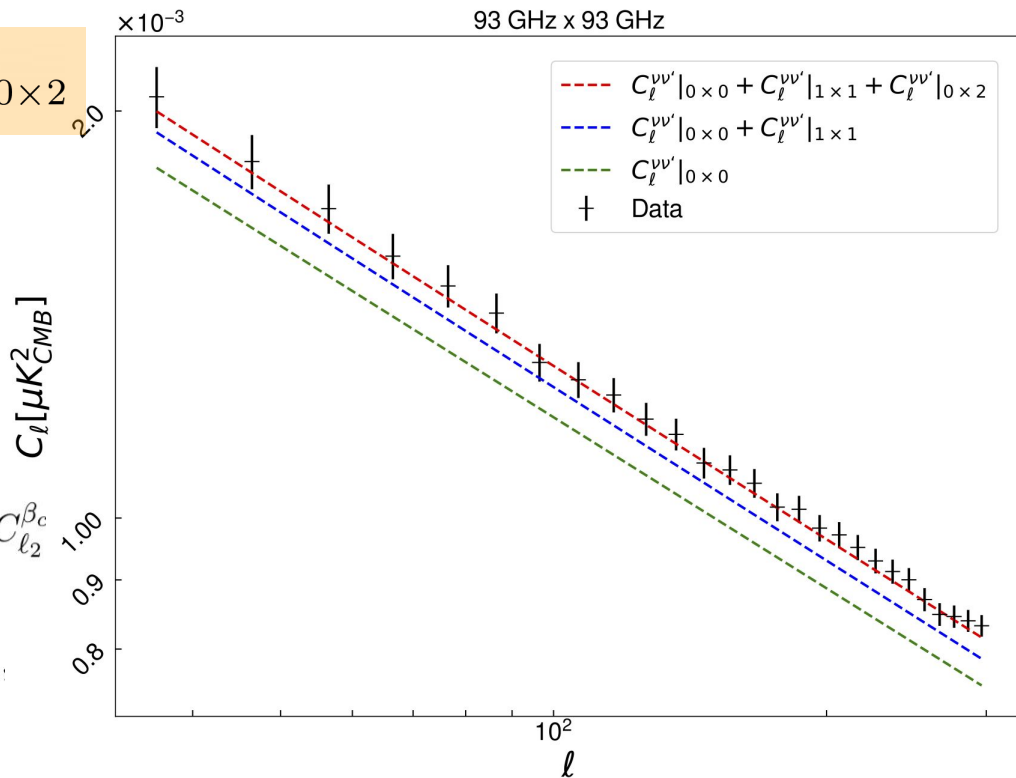
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$$C_{\ell}^{\nu\nu'}|_{1\times 1} = \sum_{c \in \{D, S\}} \partial_{\beta} \bar{S}_{\nu}^c \partial_{\beta} \bar{S}_{\nu'}^c \\ \sum_{\ell_1 \ell_2} \frac{(2\ell_1 + 1)(2\ell_2 + 1)}{4\pi} \begin{pmatrix} \ell & \ell_1 & \ell_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}^2 C_{\ell_1}^{cc} C_{\ell_2}^{\beta c}$$

$$C_{\ell}^{\nu\nu'}|_{0\times 2} = \sum_{c \in \{D, S\}} \frac{1}{2} [\bar{S}_{\nu}^c \partial_{\beta}^2 \bar{S}_{\nu'}^c + \bar{S}_{\nu'}^c \partial_{\beta}^2 \bar{S}_{\nu}^c] C_{\ell}^{cc} \sigma_{\beta c}^2$$





# Simulations

**$(I, Q, U)$  signal maps**

$$m_\nu(\hat{n}) = \sum_c T_c(\hat{n}) S_\nu^c(\vec{\beta}_c(\hat{n}))$$

Include instrument  
(e.g. bandpass, beams)

Add Noise + splits

Apply mask

Expand map in spherical harmonics

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**Power Spectra**

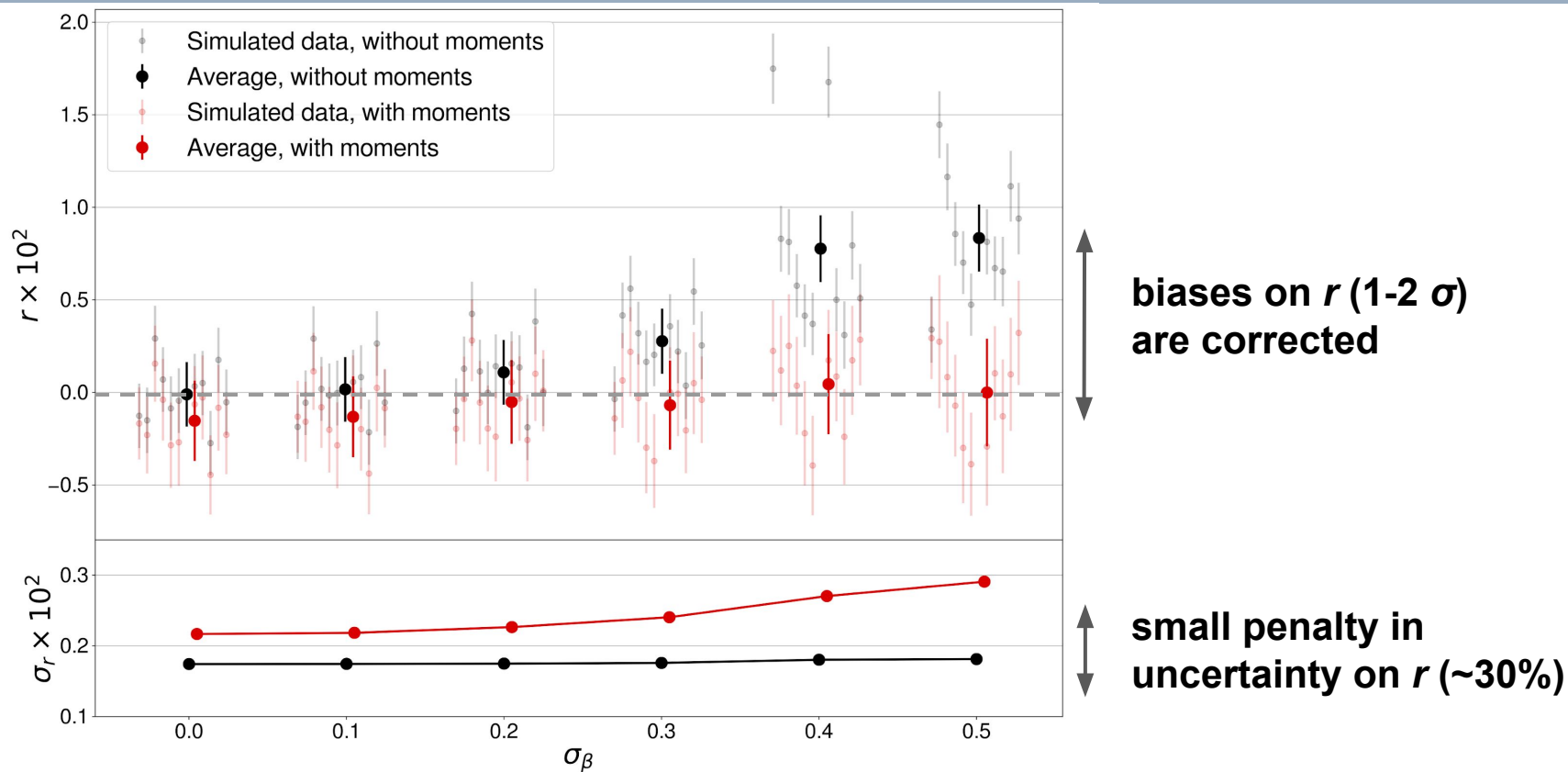
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→ Compute binned PS

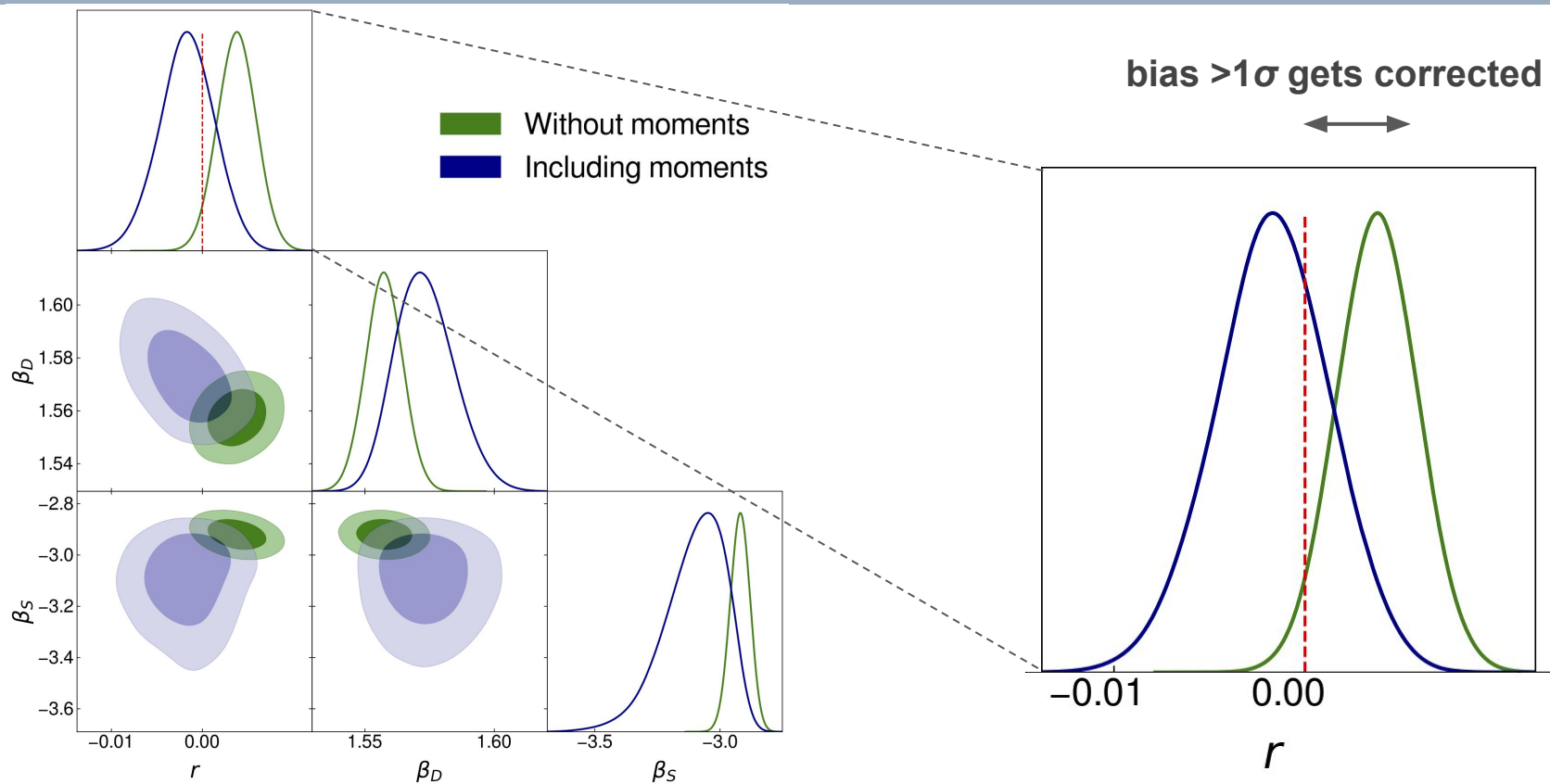
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- 1) Gaussian simulations
- 2) Realistic simulations (PySM)
- 3) Simulations challenge

# Application to **Gaussian simulations** with increasing spectral indices variation



# Application to PySM simulations



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**PySM templates**

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Gaussian fields w/ std  $\sigma_\beta$

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Thermal dust spectrum:

**Modified Black Body**

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$$m_\nu(\hat{n}) = \sum_c T_c(\hat{n}) S_\nu^c(\vec{\beta}_c(\hat{n}))$$

## Simulation challenge

Amplitudes:

**Gaussian**

**PySM templates**

Foreground spectral indices:

**Gaussian fields w/ std  $\sigma_\beta$**

**PySM templates**

Thermal dust spectrum:

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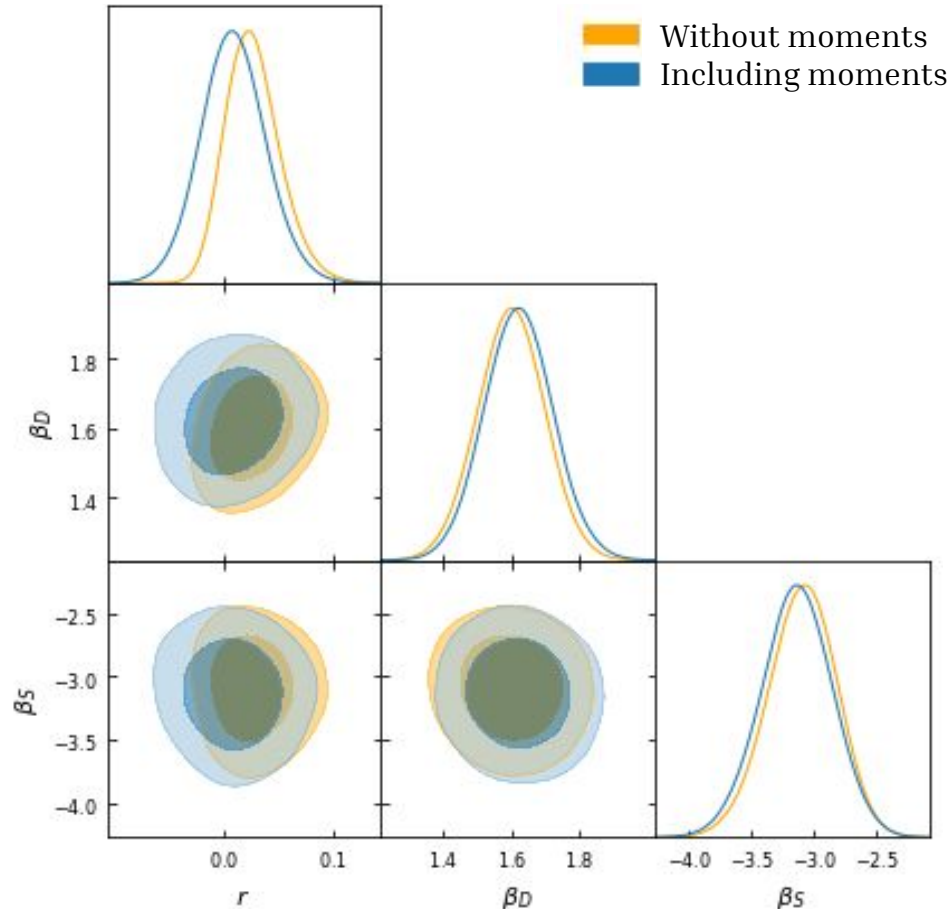
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Simulation			No moments		With moments	
Description; ( $\sigma_{\beta_D}, \sigma_{\beta_S}$ )	$r_{\text{true}}$		$r_{\text{fit}} \pm \sigma_r$	$\chi^2/\text{d.o.f.}$	$r_{\text{fit}} \pm \sigma_r$	$\chi^2/\text{d.o.f.}$
G, MBB; $\sigma_\beta = (0, 0)$	0		-0.0013 $\pm$ 0.0021	0.8	-0.0024 $\pm$ 0.0024	0.8
G, MBB; $\sigma_\beta = (0, 0)$	0.01		0.0116 $\pm$ 0.0022	0.8	0.0099 $\pm$ 0.0025	0.8
G, MBB; $\sigma_\beta = (0.2, 0.3)$	0		0.0088 $\pm$ 0.0023	0.9	0.0038 $\pm$ 0.0035	0.8
G, MBB; $\sigma_\beta = (0.2, 0.3)$	0.01		0.0158 $\pm$ 0.0025	0.9	0.0098 $\pm$ 0.0035	0.9
P, MBB; $\sigma_\beta = \text{PySM}$	0		0.0051 $\pm$ 0.0022	0.9	0.0036 $\pm$ 0.0026	0.9
P, MBB; $\sigma_\beta = \text{PySM}$	0.01		0.0130 $\pm$ 0.0023	0.9	0.0104 $\pm$ 0.0027	0.9
G, H&D; $\sigma_\beta = (0, 0)$	0		0.0058 $\pm$ 0.0026	1.1	0.0003 $\pm$ 0.0037	1.1
G, H&D; $\sigma_\beta = (0, 0)$	0.01		0.0122 $\pm$ 0.0024	1.1	0.0055 $\pm$ 0.0038	1.1
P, H&D; $\sigma_\beta = \text{PySM}$	0		0.0052 $\pm$ 0.0025	1.1	0.0001 $\pm$ 0.0033	1.1
P, H&D; $\sigma_\beta = \text{PySM}$	0.01		0.0120 $\pm$ 0.0024	1.1	0.0069 $\pm$ 0.0034	1.1
P, VS; $\sigma_\beta = (0.13, N.A.)$	0		0.0114 $\pm$ 0.0024	1.0	-0.0036 $\pm$ 0.0036	1.0
P, VS; $\sigma_\beta = (0.13, N.A.)$	0.01		0.0184 $\pm$ 0.0025	1.0	0.0029 $\pm$ 0.0034	1.0

Red: results with a bias  $|r_{\text{fit}} - r_{\text{true}}| \geq 2\sigma_r$

## Application to BK15 data



- Consistent with BK15X results  
[\*BICEP2 & Keck Array Collaboration \(2018\)\*](#)
- Adding spatial variability shifts the posterior down
- Small penalty in uncertainty on  $r$  ( $\sim 20\%$ )
- Comparable to the effects of decorrelation

# Take-away message

- ❖ **Implemented component separation method accounting for moment expansion of the dust/synchrotron moments in power-spectrum space**
  - Moment expansion of a foreground SED is a general parametrization of additional features of the underlying distribution of physical parameters
  - Very few a priori assumptions, captures the spectral and spatial variations of the SED
- ❖ **Study limited to the analysis of primordial B-modes from ground-based facilities**
  - targeting the recombination bump on scales  $30 < \ell < 300$
  - its applicability to space missions may be limited, the use of pixel-based methods is likely more appropriate.
- ❖ **It is a promising tool to model the foreground components at a level of precision that will be useful in the analysis of future observatories to characterize spatially-varying foregrounds and marginalize over them in order to achieve reliable constraints on  $r$**

*Thank you!*