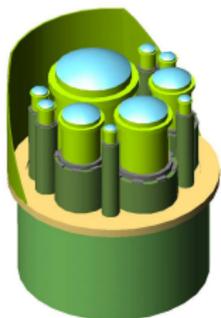


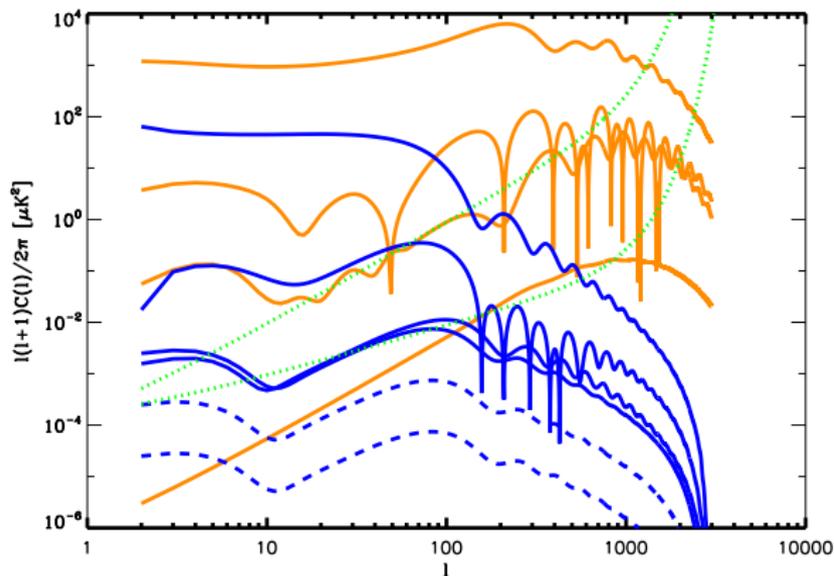
# The search for B-modes: Underlying theory



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# Scalar and Tensor CMB Anisotropies with PLANCK

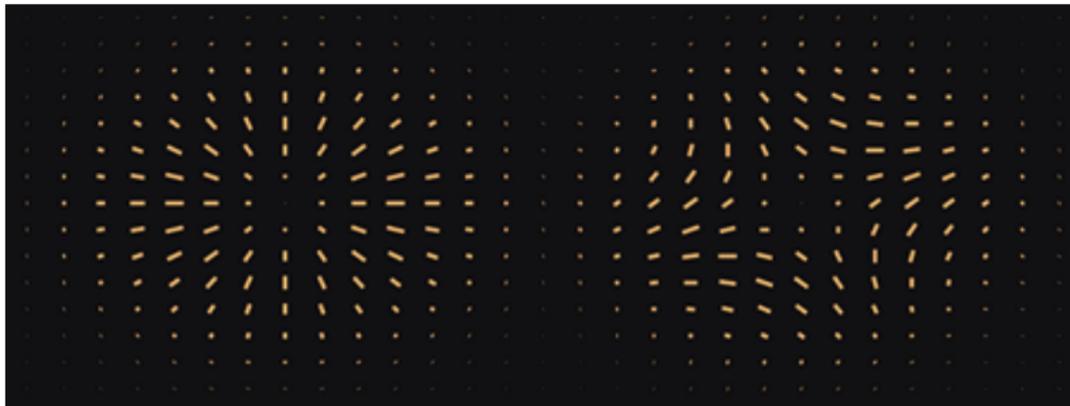


Red=scalar (top to bottom) TT, TE, EE, BB (lensing)

Blue=tensor (T/S=0.1) = TT, TE, EE, BB, dotted BB (T/S=0.01, 0.01)

Green PLANCK capabilities = top single alm, bottom aggressive binning

# E and B Mode Polarization



E mode

B mode

$$\mathbf{Y}_{\ell m, ab}^{(E)} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{(\ell-1)\ell(\ell+1)(\ell+2)}} \left[ \nabla_a \nabla_b - \frac{1}{2} \delta_{ab} \right] Y_{\ell m}(\hat{\Omega})$$

$$\mathbf{Y}_{\ell m, ab}^{(B)} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{(\ell-1)\ell(\ell+1)(\ell+2)}} \frac{1}{2} \left[ \epsilon_{ac} \nabla_c \nabla_b + \nabla_a \epsilon_{bc} \nabla_c \right] Y_{\ell m}(\hat{\Omega})$$

# Projection of « scalars, » « vectors » and « tensors » onto the celestial sphere

Under projection onto the celestial sphere :

$$(scalar)_3 \rightarrow (scalar)_2,$$

$$(vector)_3 \rightarrow (scalar)_2 + (vector)_2,$$

$$(tensor)_3 \rightarrow (scalar)_2 + (vector)_2.$$

There is no  $(tensor)_2$  component. The E mode polarization is scalar ; the B mode is vector.

It follows that at linear order the scalar modes cannot generate any B mode polarization.

Note crucial role of linearity assumption.

# Perturbations generated during inflation

$$\bar{h} = c = 1, M_{pl}^{-2}$$

$$\delta\phi \approx H$$

$$\frac{\delta\rho}{\bar{\rho}} \approx H \cdot \delta t, \quad \delta t \approx \frac{\delta\phi}{\dot{\phi}}$$

$$H\dot{\phi} \approx V_{,\phi}, \quad \dot{\phi} \approx V_{,\phi}/H, \quad H^2 \approx \frac{1}{M_{pl}^2} V, \quad \frac{\delta\rho}{\bar{\rho}} \approx \frac{V^{3/2}[\phi(k)]}{M_{pl}^3 V_{,\phi}}$$

Scalar perturbations :

$$\mathcal{P}_S^{1/2}(k) \approx O(1) \cdot \frac{V^{3/2}[\phi(k)]}{M_{pl}^3 V_{,\phi}[\phi(k)]}$$

Tensor perturbations :

$$\mathcal{P}_T^{1/2}(k) \approx O(1) \cdot \frac{H}{M_{pl}} \approx O(1) \cdot \frac{V^{1/2}}{M_{pl}^2}$$

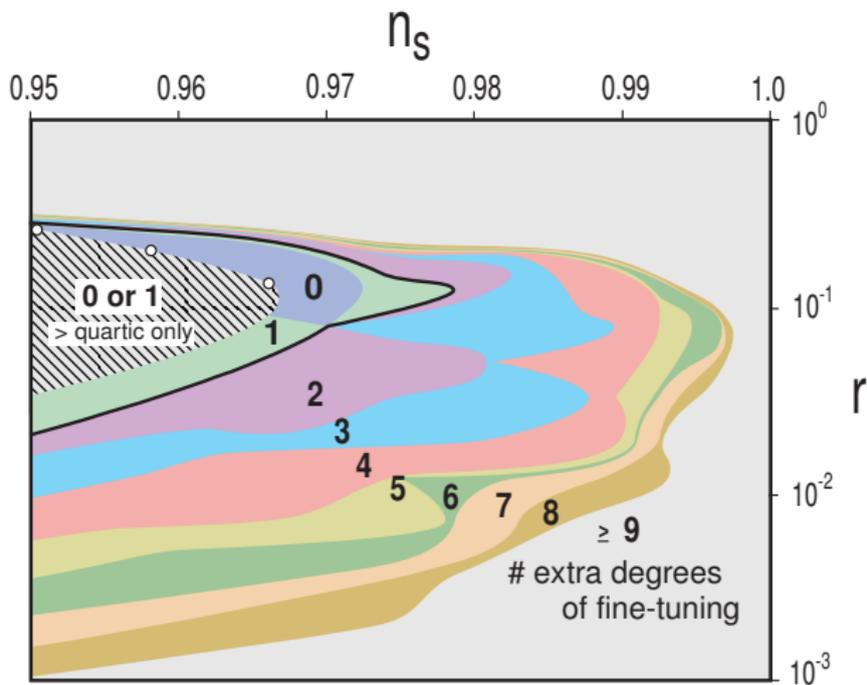
$\phi(k) \equiv$  value of  $\phi$  at horizon crossing of the mode  $k$

Reconstruction of the inflationary potential : the tensors measure the height of the potential, the scalars the slope.

# Tests of inflation

- Order zero tests
  - Flatness, homogeneity, isotropy, no monopoles, entropy of observable universe
- Scalar perturbations
  - Scale invariance (approximate) (Harrison, Zeldovich, Peebles)
  - Gaussianity
  - Primordial character of cosmological perturbations. No decaying modes observed.
- Tensor perturbations
  - Direct measure of the Hubble constant in the **very** early universe when a given mode left the horizon
  - New unique prediction of inflation

# Expected ( $T/S$ ) From Inflation ? (I)



From Boyle, Steinhardt and Turok.

# Expected ( $T/S$ ) From Inflation ? (II)

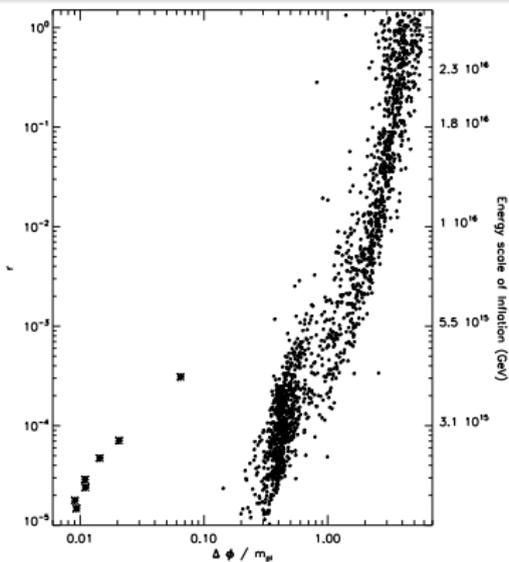
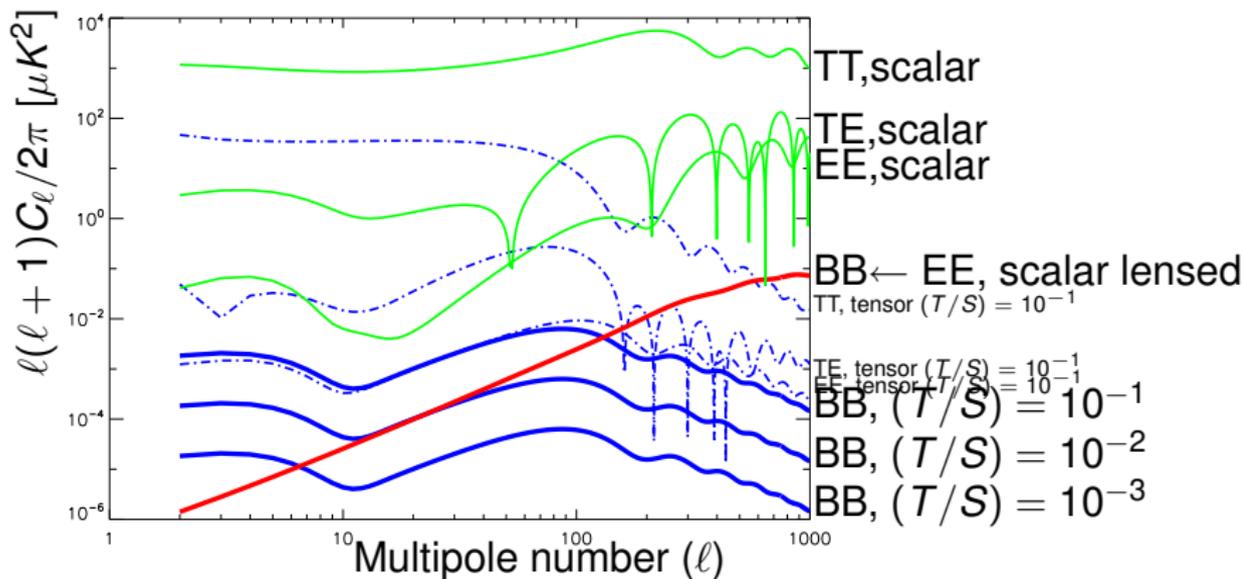
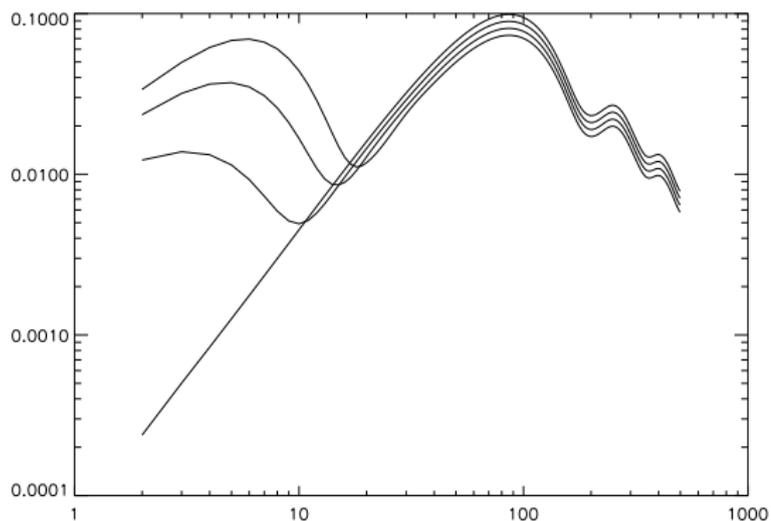


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# Inflationary Prediction for Scalar & Tensor Anisotropies

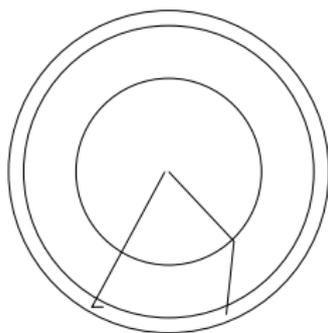


# The Reionization Bump (I)



$\tau = 0.0, 0.5, 0.10, 0.15$  (bottom  $\rightarrow$  top)

# The Reionization Bump (II)



It turns out that

$$P \propto (1 - \tau) d_{\text{lastscatter}}^2 \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial \chi^2}$$

is small compared to

$$P \propto \tau d_{\text{reion}}^2 \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial \chi^2}$$

even when  $\tau$  is small.

# Lensing of the E mode into the B mode —

( $E^{scalar} + \Phi \rightarrow B^{scalar}$ )

(Flat sky approximation :  $(\ell m) \rightarrow \ell$ ,  $\theta, \ell \in \mathcal{R}^2$ .)

$$\delta\theta = (\nabla\Phi), \quad \delta T(\theta) = (\nabla\Phi) \cdot (\nabla T).$$

$$\delta T(\ell_F) = \int \frac{d^2\ell_L}{(2\pi)^2} (-\ell_L) \cdot (\ell_F - \ell_L) \Phi(\ell_L) T(\ell_F - \ell_L).$$

$$\langle T(\ell) T(\ell') \rangle = (2\pi)^2 \delta^2(\ell + \ell') C^{TT}(\ell)$$

$$C^{TT}(\ell_F) = \int \frac{d^2\ell_L}{(2\pi)^2} [\ell_L \cdot (\ell_F - \ell_L)]^2 C^{\Phi\Phi}(\ell_L) C^{TT}(\ell_L = |\ell_F - \ell_L|)$$

$$C^{BB}(\ell_B) = \int \frac{d^2\ell_L}{(2\pi)^2} [\ell_L \cdot (\ell_F - \ell_L)]^2 \sin^2[2\Theta(\ell_B, \ell_E)] C^{\Phi\Phi}(\ell_L) C^{EE}(\ell_E = |\ell_B - \ell_L|)$$

# Lensing of the E mode into the B mode (II)

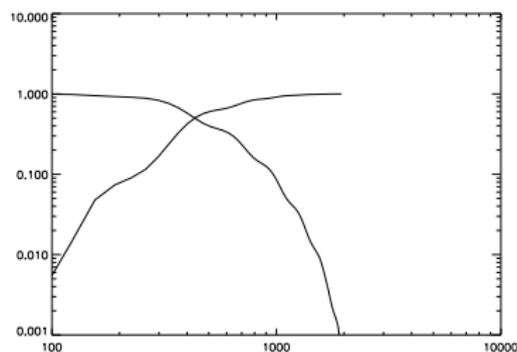
For small values of  $\ell_B$ ,

$$C^{BB}(\ell_B \approx 0) \sim \int_0^\infty \frac{d\ell}{\ell} \ell^6 C^{\Phi\Phi}(\ell) C^{EE}(\ell)$$

The bulk of the integral is concentrated around  $\ell \approx 300$ .

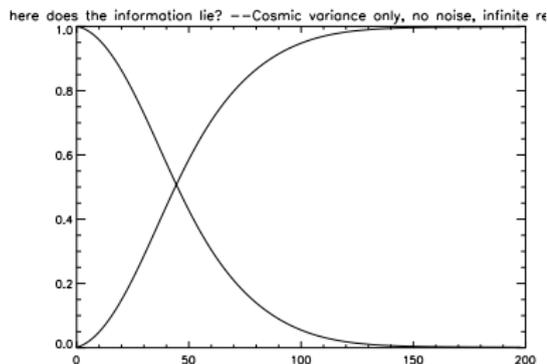
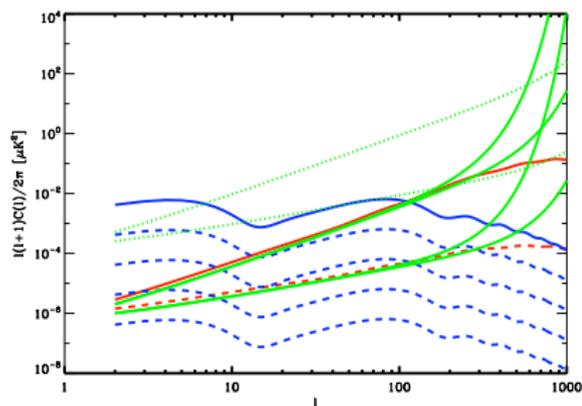
**White noise spectrum up to  $\ell \lesssim 300$**

$$F(\ell_{max}) = \frac{\int_0^{\ell_{max}} \frac{d\ell}{\ell} \ell^6 C^{\Phi\Phi}(\ell) C^{EE}(\ell)}{\int_0^\infty \frac{d\ell}{\ell} \ell^6 C^{\Phi\Phi}(\ell) C^{EE}(\ell)}$$



# Where does the information on $(T/S)$ lie?

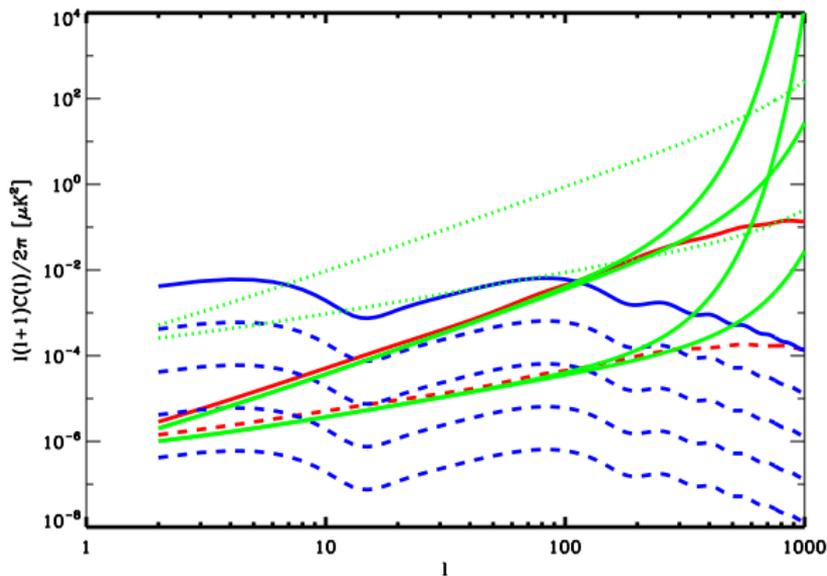
$$\delta C_{\ell, \text{measurable}} \sim \frac{C_{\ell, \text{parasite}} + n_{\ell}}{\ell}$$



**Conclusion :** Approx. 80 % of the information (excluding the reionization bump) lies between  $\ell = 20$  and  $\ell = 80$ .

# The detection of B modes

The B mode is that component that cannot be represented as a double gradient on the celestial sphere. In the linear approximation there is no B mode component arising from scalar degrees of freedom. The presence of the B mode would unambiguously signal the presence of primordial gravitational waves.



# BPol Capabilities : Fisher matrix analysis

	Fiducial model	BPol 20' fwhm, $(5\mu\text{K} \cdot \text{arcmin})^2$ (No reionization)					
		TT	TE	EE	BB	BB+EE	All
$r$	0.0	$1.57 \times 10^{-1}$	$7.19 \times 10^{-2}$	$1.32 \times 10^{-2}$	$1.58 \times 10^{-3}$	$6.71 \times 10^{-4}$	$6.60 \times 10^{-4}$
$\delta A_S/A_S$	$1.00 \times 10^0$	$3.14 \times 10^{-1}$	$6.15 \times 10^{-3}$	$3.81 \times 10^{-3}$	$2.70 \times 10^0$	$3.57 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.27 \times 10^{-3}$
$H$	$7.20 \times 10^1$	$9.96 \times 10^{-2}$	$6.62 \times 10^{-2}$	$9.91 \times 10^{-2}$	$5.94 \times 10^0$	$8.06 \times 10^{-2}$	$3.93 \times 10^{-2}$
$\Omega_b$	$5.00 \times 10^{-2}$	$3.43 \times 10^{-4}$	$2.68 \times 10^{-4}$	$6.01 \times 10^{-4}$	$3.91 \times 10^{-2}$	$4.88 \times 10^{-4}$	$1.39 \times 10^{-4}$
$\Omega_c$	$2.50 \times 10^{-1}$	$3.73 \times 10^{-5}$	$5.03 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.34 \times 10^{-4}$	$3.45 \times 10^{-2}$	$1.28 \times 10^{-4}$	$2.68 \times 10^{-5}$
$n_s$	$1.00 \times 10^0$	$3.47 \times 10^{-3}$	$6.69 \times 10^{-3}$	$3.98 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.49 \times 10^{-1}$	$3.74 \times 10^{-3}$	$1.84 \times 10^{-3}$
$\Omega_k$	0.0	$5.53 \times 10^{-4}$	$4.37 \times 10^{-4}$	$3.08 \times 10^{-4}$	$3.04 \times 10^{-2}$	$3.01 \times 10^{-4}$	$1.87 \times 10^{-4}$
$\tau$	0.0	$1.73 \times 10^{-1}$	$8.00 \times 10^{-4}$	$1.19 \times 10^{-5}$	$1.60 \times 10^0$	$5.96 \times 10^{-6}$	$5.96 \times 10^{-6}$

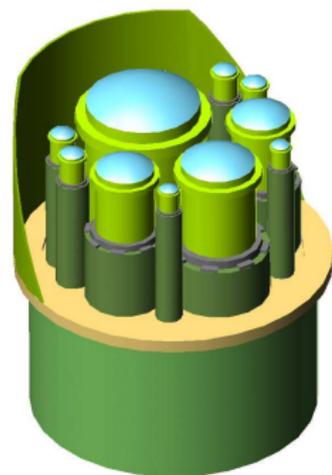
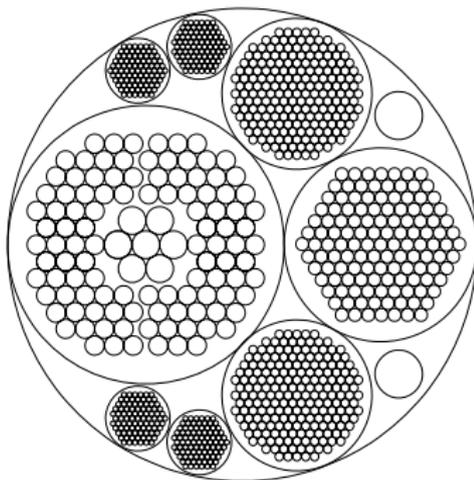
**TAB.:**  $1\sigma$  errors resulting from the fit of an eight parameter family of cosmological models for a detector rms white noise amplitude of  $5\mu\text{K} \cdot \text{arcmin}$  and a resolution of 20 arc minute. (Note that  $\delta A_S/A_S$  denotes the variation of the normalization of the scalar power spectrum as compared to that inferred from COBE data.) This table

# Requirements for a B Mode Polarization Mission

- **Sensitivity in the neighborhood of  $5\mu K \cdot \text{arcmin}$ .** Chosen equal to contaminant lensing signal. Approximately 13 times more sensitive than PLANCK.
- **Angular resolution of  $\approx 30 - 60'$**  Lower than PLANCK; therefore, one does not necessarily need a large mirror deployed in space.
- **Excellent control of systematic errors.** (These should not exceed the intrinsic random detector noise.)
- **Full sky coverage.** In particular important for mapping the low- $\ell$  modes of the re-ionization bump.
- **Sufficiently broad frequency coverage to remove galactic foreground components (synchrotron radiation, spinning dust (?), polarized dust emission.**

# The B-Pol Instrument

- 45 GHz 45mm
- 70 GHz 26.5mm
- 100 GHz 18.5mm
- 150 GHz 12.3mm
- 220 GHz 8.4mm
- 350 GHz 5.3mm

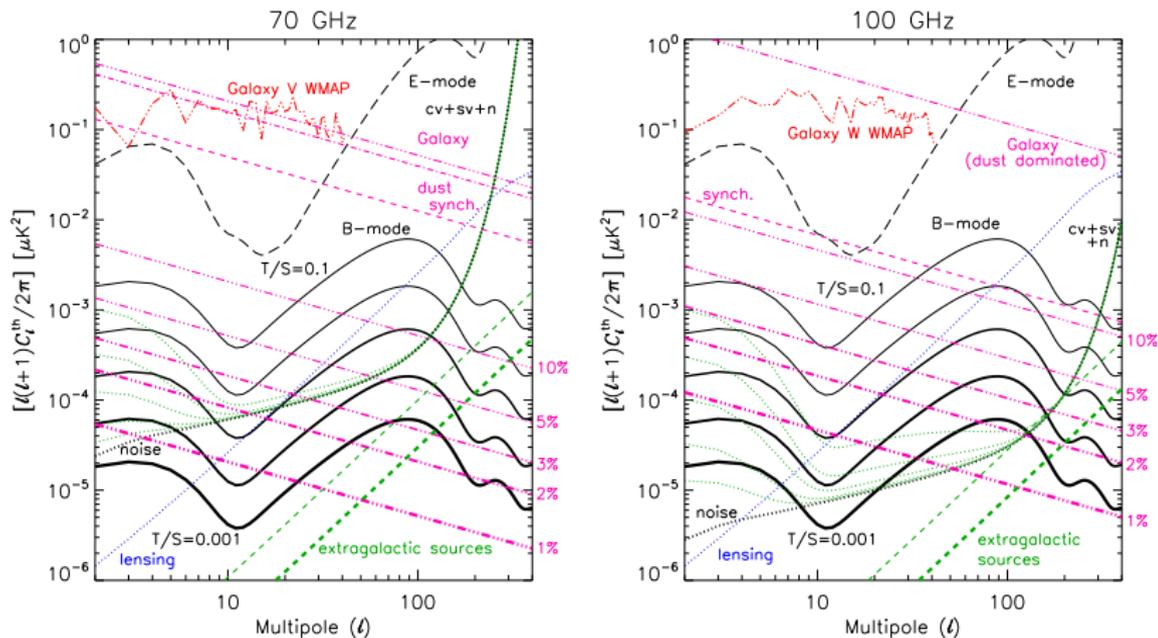


# B-Pol Characteristics Summary

Freq. band (GHz)	45	70	100	143	217	353
$\Delta\nu$	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%
ang. res.	15°	68'	47'	47'	40'	59'
# horns	2	7	108	127	398	364
det. noise ( $\mu K \cdot \sqrt{s}$ )	57	33	53	53	61	119
Q & U sens. ( $\mu K \cdot \text{arcmin}$ )	33	23	8	7	5	10
Tel. diam. (mm)	45	265	265	185	143	60

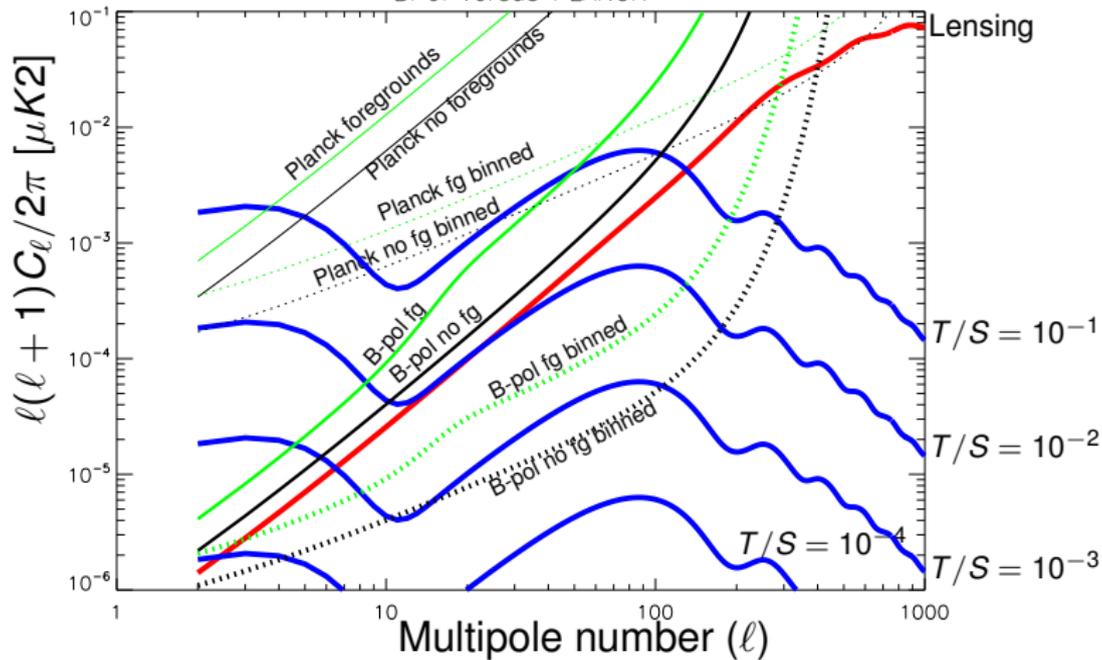
$$C_{noise}^2 = 4 \times \frac{4\pi}{t_{miss} N_{det}} \times S_{det}^2 = (5\mu K \cdot \text{arcmin})^2 \times \left(\frac{2 \text{ years}}{t_{miss}}\right) \times \left(\frac{S_{det}}{50\mu K \sqrt{s}}\right)^2 \quad (1)$$

# Foregrounds relative to signal

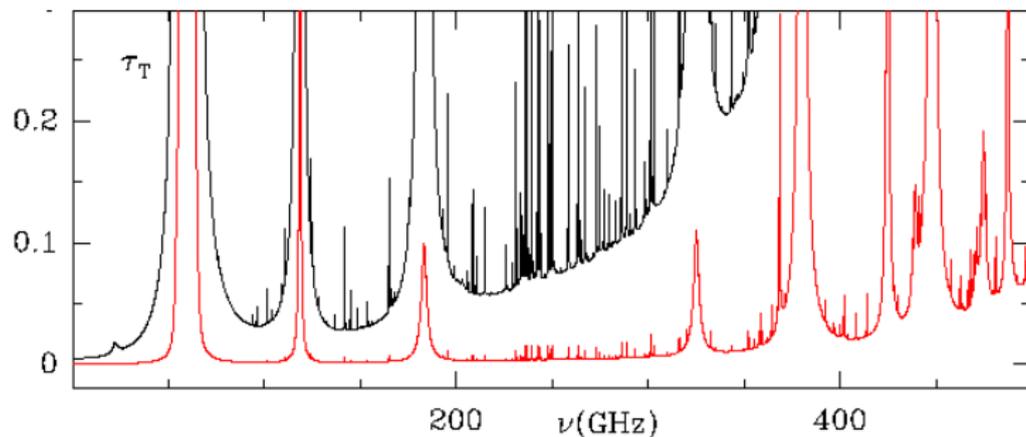


(Courtesy of Carlo Burigana)

BPol versus PLANCK



# Observations from the ground (I)



**Atmospheric interference.** Calculated optical depth through the atmosphere for a good ground-based site like the South Pole or Dome-C in Winter (black) and at balloon altitude (red). Frequency bands for sub-orbital experiments must be carefully chosen to avoid the emission by molecular lines. Moreover, emission from oxygen lines is circularly polarized and care must be taken to avoid a significant polarized signal from the tails of these lines.

## Observations from the ground (II)

Numerous CMB polarization experiments from the ground and balloons at various stages : QUaD, BICEP ; BRAIN, CLOVER, EBEx, PAPPa, PolarBear, QUIET and Spider

- Far side lobes
- Scanning strategy (must scan at constant zenith angle)
- Polarization from interaction of Zeeman splitting by earth's magnetic field of oxygen lines. Atmospheric backscattering (very polarized) could be a serious problem. [See L. Pietranera et al., "Observing the CMB polarization through ice," MNRAS 346, 645 (2007)].
- Lack of stability and partial sky coverage