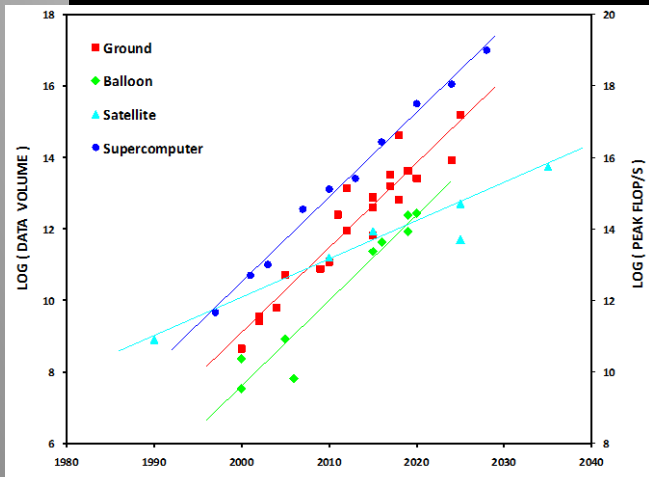
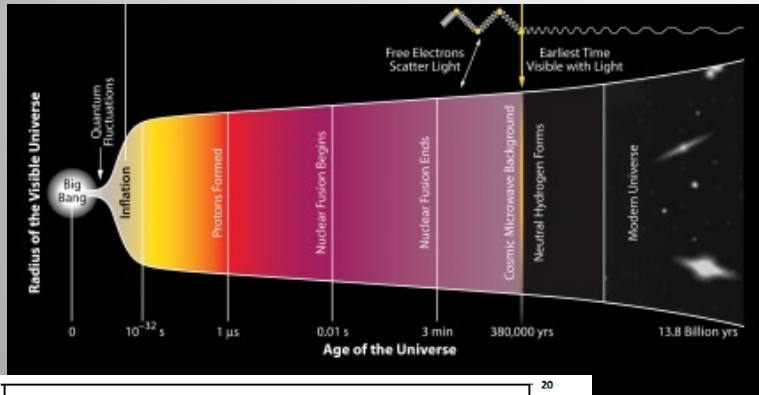


# Enabling Cosmology from the Cosmic Microwave Background with High-Throughput Computing

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# Outline

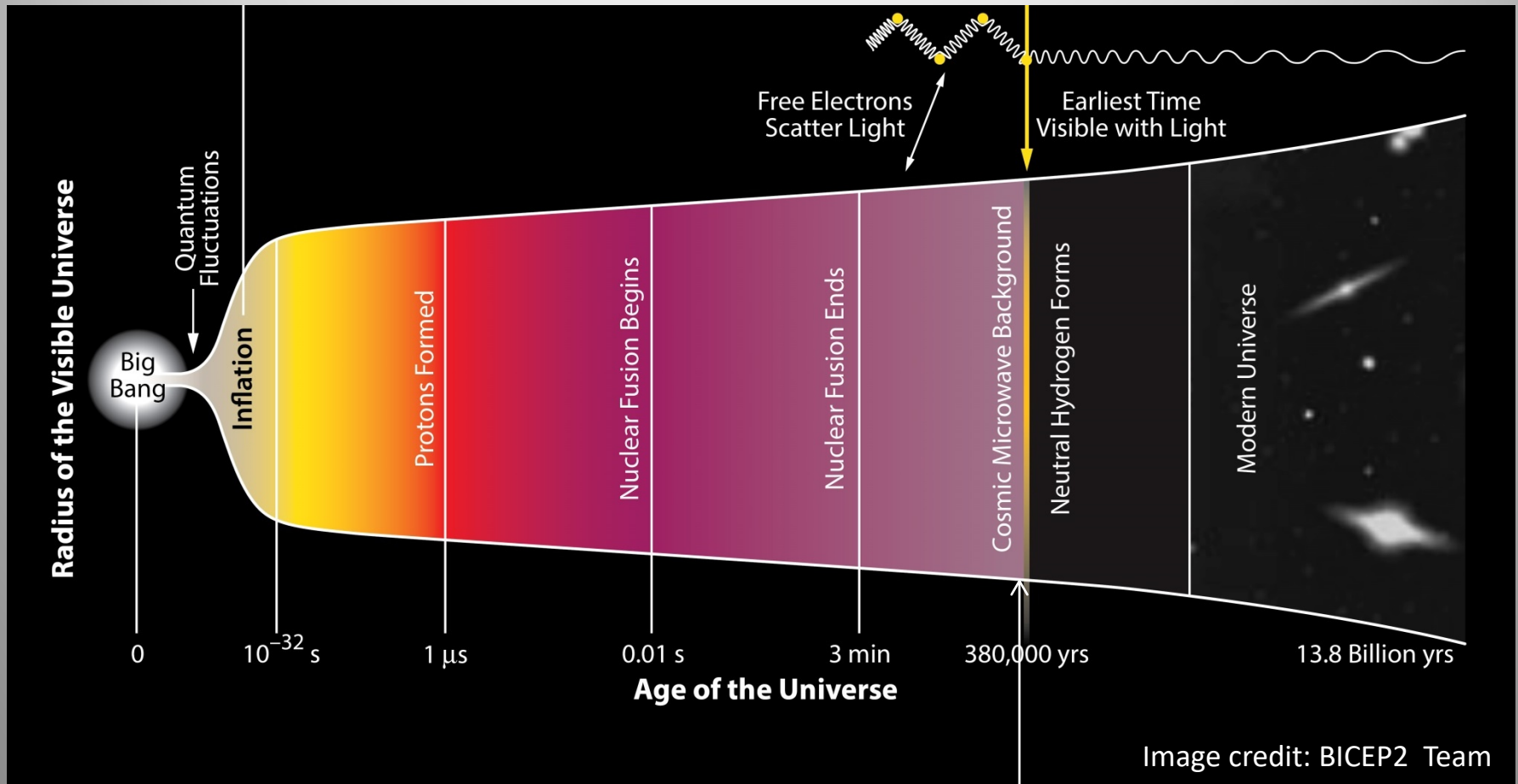


- Scientific Motivation
- The Computational Problem: what's a good fit to the OSG
- Looking forward to experiments in the next decade

See also: Monday talk by Benedikt Riedel about South Pole Telescope & OSG

# **SCIENTIFIC MOTIVATION**

# Introduction to the CMB



Photon decoupling



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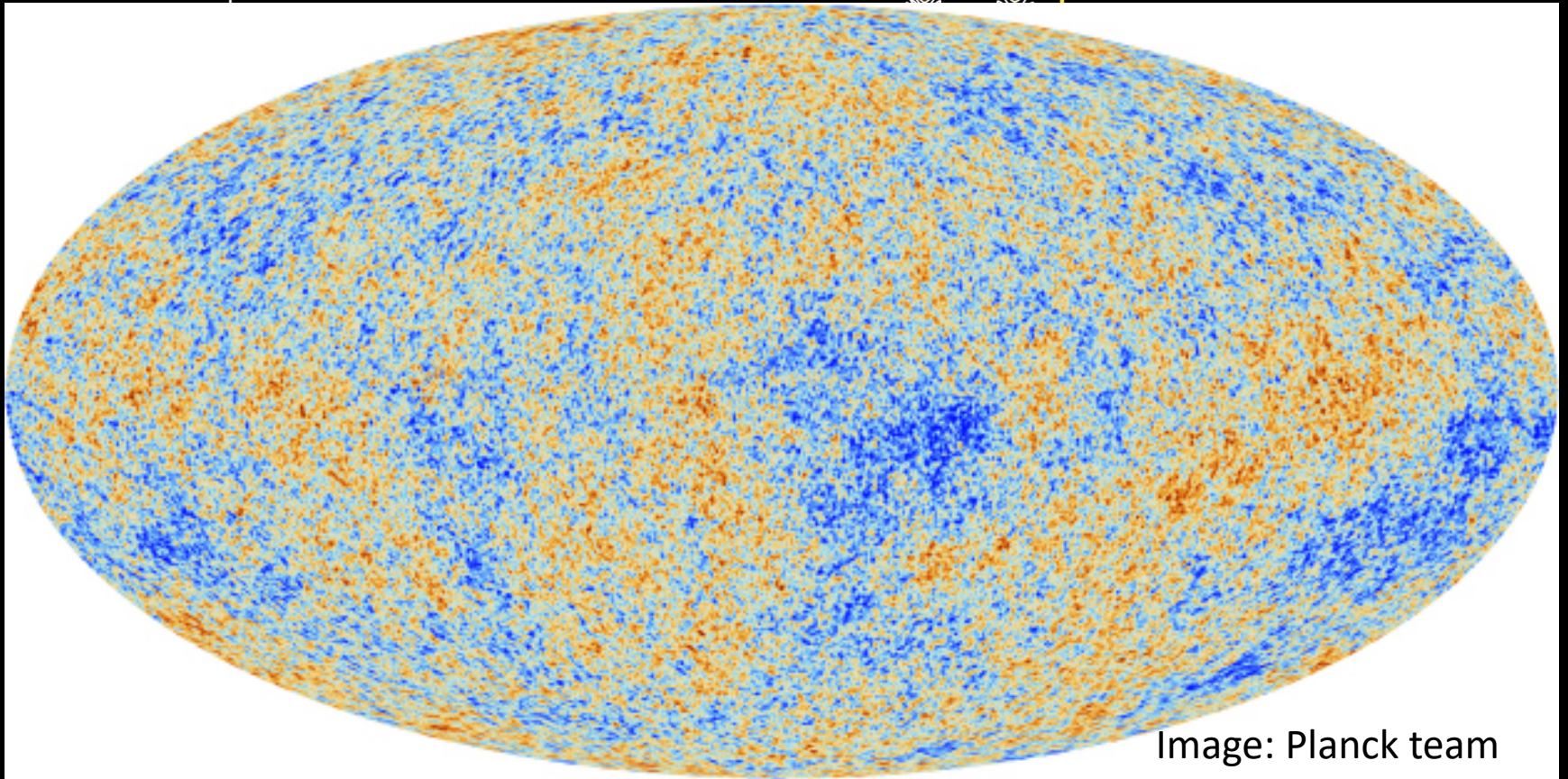


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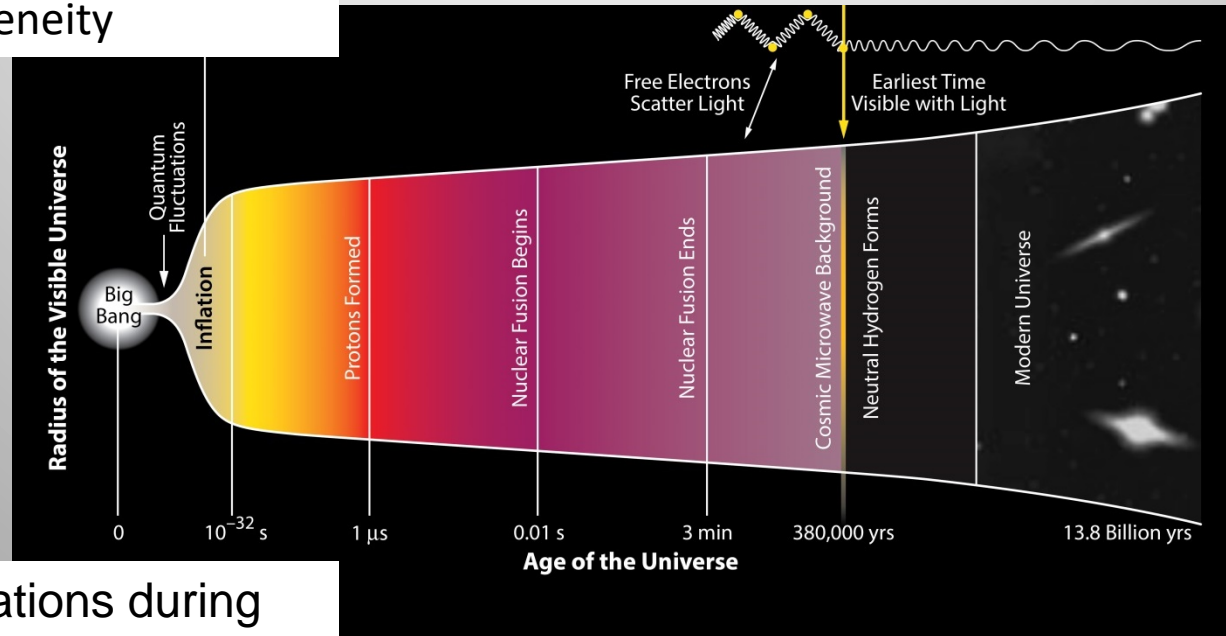
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Color scale  $\pm 2 \cdot 10^{-4} K$

$$T_0 = 2.7 K$$

# Introduction to the CMB

Inflation does not predict complete homogeneity

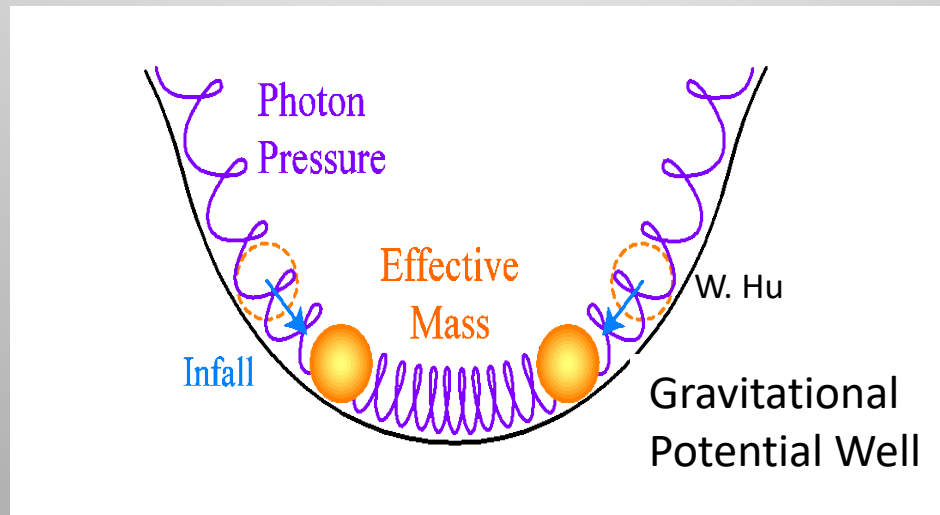


Quantum fluctuations during inflation imprint perturbations on the gravitational metric

metric perturbations separable into three types: **scalar**, vector and **tensor** – **inflationary gravitational waves**.

# Fluid Oscillations in Pressure & Density

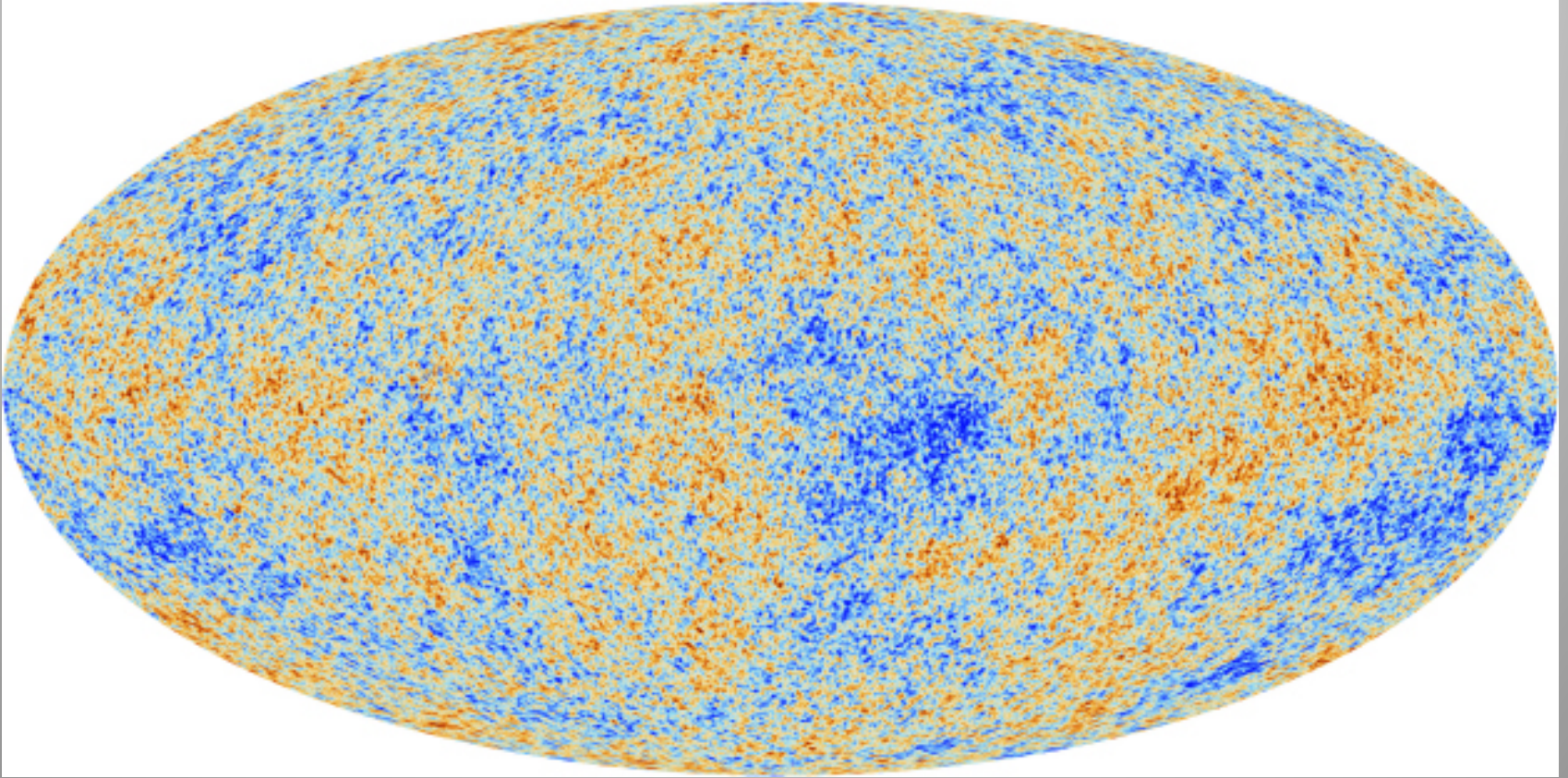
## Photon-Electron-Nucleon Fluid



Period of oscillation  $\propto$  spatial extent of potential well



# Map of CMB Temperature



Decompose the temperature map  
into spherical harmonics

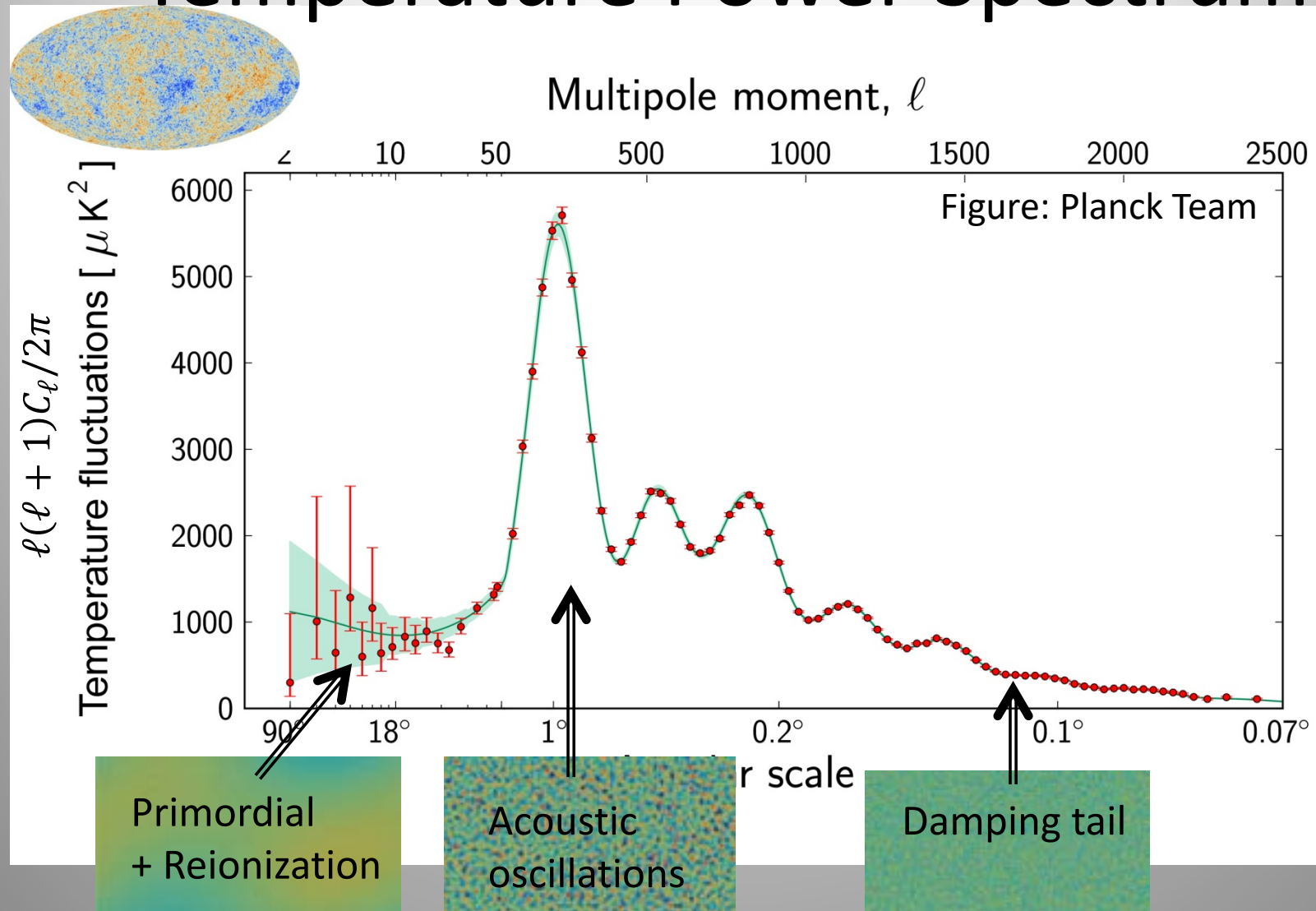
$$T(\hat{n}) = \sum_{\ell, m} a_{\ell m} Y_{\ell m}(\hat{n})$$

Calculate the expectation value of the  
correlation between the coefficients

$$\langle a_{\ell m}^* a_{\ell' m'} \rangle = C_{\ell}^{TT} \delta_{mm'} \delta_{\ell \ell'}$$



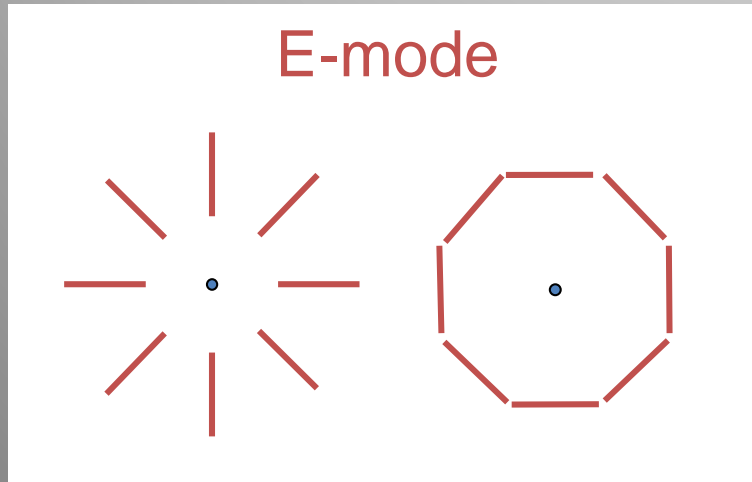
# Temperature Power Spectrum



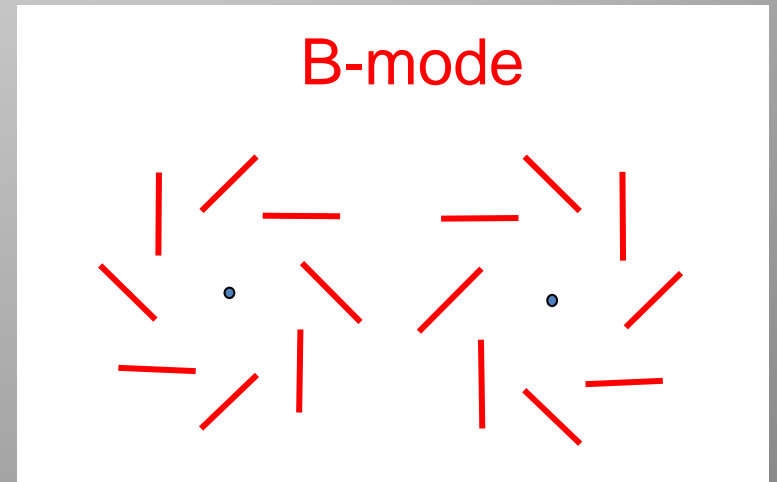
**Provides precision measurement of several cosmological parameters including dark matter content & geometry**

# Polarization of the CMB

Parity-symmetric “E-modes” are the dominant polarization in the CMB. They are created by the acoustic oscillation physics

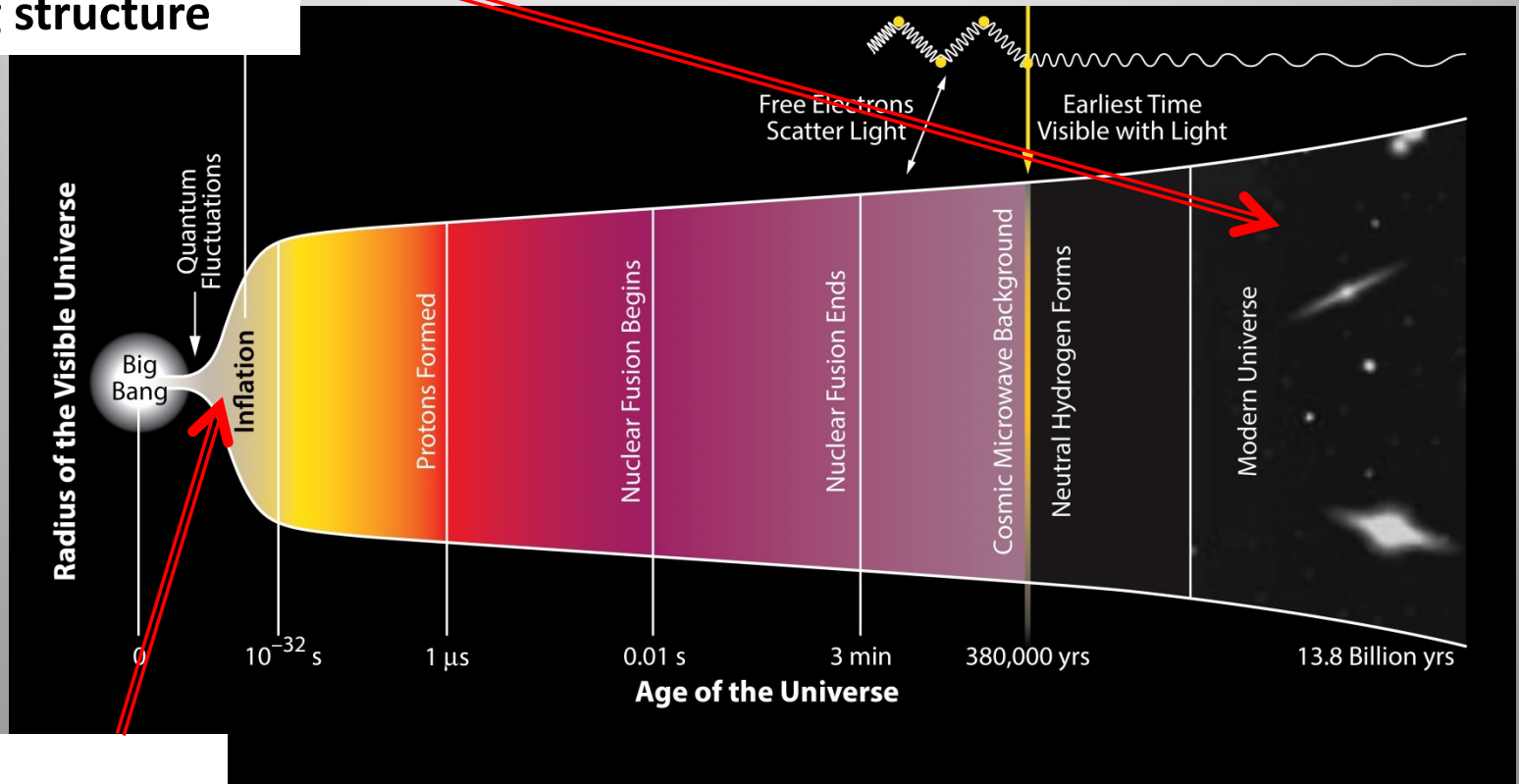


Parity anti-symmetric “B-modes” are evidence of physics other than the acoustic oscillations.



# B-mode Polarization: Two Sources

Gravitational lensing of E-mode polarization by intervening structure



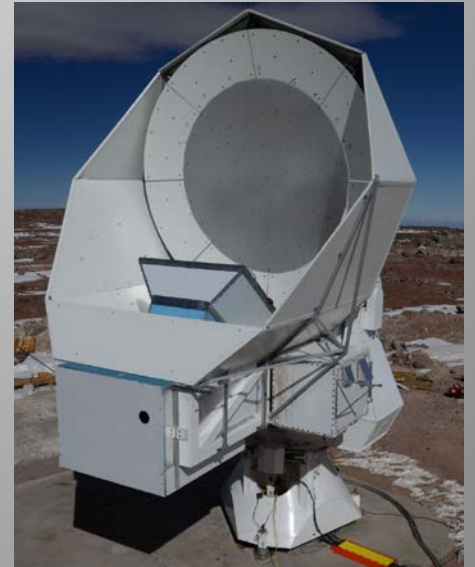
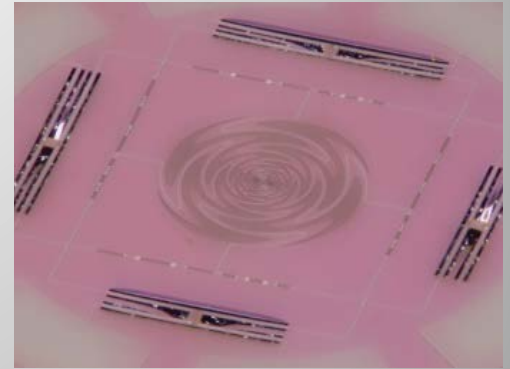
Inflationary gravitational waves



# **THE COMPUTATIONAL PROBLEM**

# The Measurement

- Use detectors sensitive to polarization
- Use detectors with different spectral sensitivity
- Use a telescope with sufficient angular resolution
- Scan the telescope across the sky and measure detector response as a function of time  $d_t$  (Time-Ordered Data, TOD)
- Repeat scans for years to measure the true sky signal while averaging away noise, atmosphere, etc.



# Data Reduction

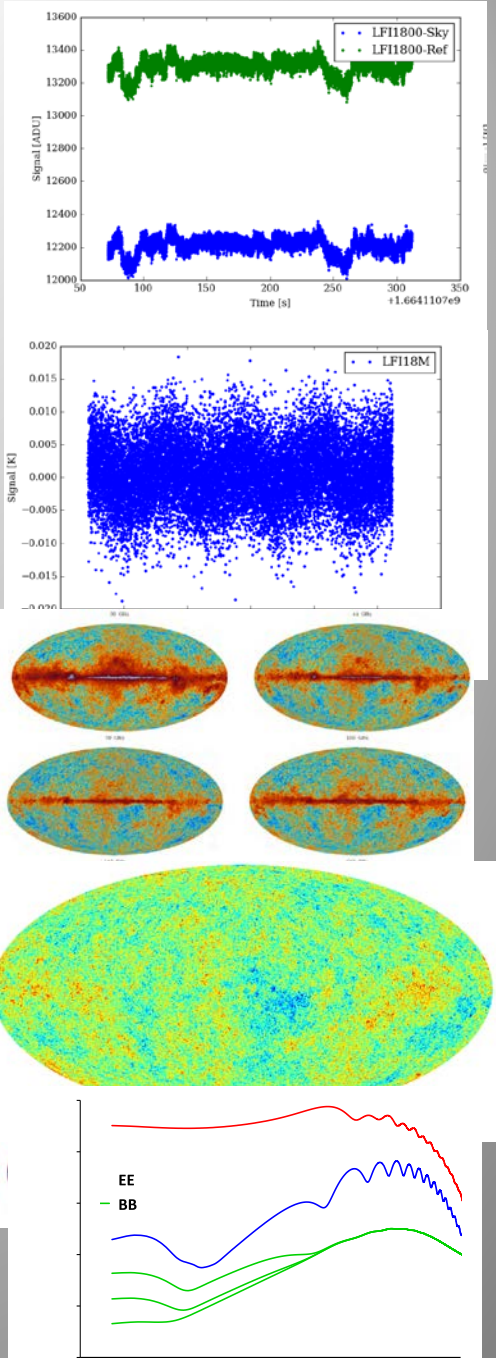
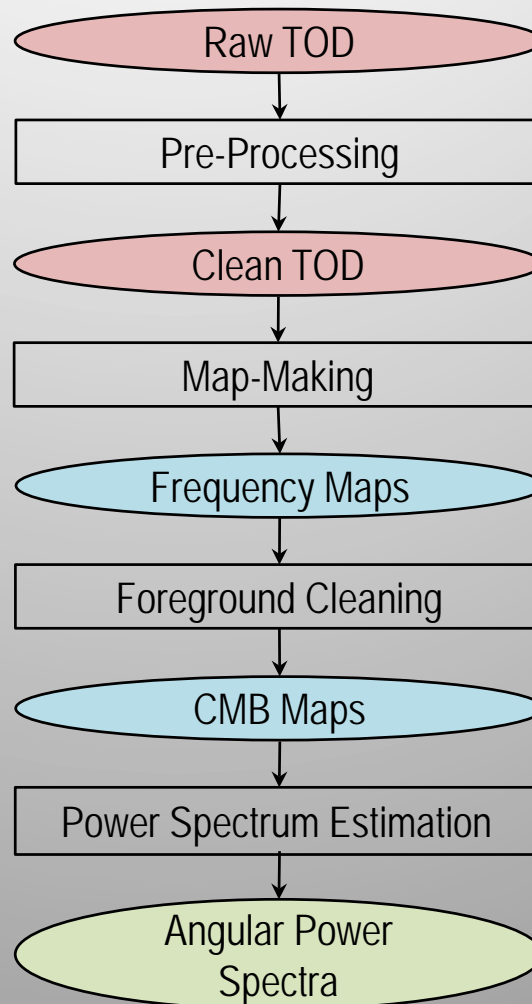
- Sequence of S/N-increasing data compressions via domain transformations:

Time samples:  $\mathcal{N}_t$

Pixels:  $\mathcal{N}_p \ll \mathcal{N}_t$

Multipoles:  $\mathcal{N}_\ell \ll \mathcal{N}_p$

- Each domain exposes different systematics => iterative looping.
- Must propagate both data *and their covariance* for a sufficient statistic.





# Exact CMB Analysis

Model TOD  $d_t$  (time-ordered data) as noise and sky-synchronous CMB:

$$d_t = n_t + P_{tp} s_p$$

Estimate the noise correlations from the (noise-dominated) data

$$N_{tt'}^{-1} = f(|t - t'|) \sim \text{invFFT} \left( \frac{1}{\text{FFT}(d_t)} \right)$$

*Analytically* maximize the likelihood of the map given the data and the noise covariance matrix  $N$

$$m_p = (P^T N^{-1} P)^{-1} P^T N^{-1} d_t$$

Construct the pixel domain noise covariance matrix and iteratively maximize the likelihood of the CMB angular power spectrum given the map and its covariance matrix

# The Exact Analysis Challenge

Science goals drive us to observe more sky, at higher resolution, at more frequencies, in temperature and polarization.

	BOOMERanG (2000)	Planck (2015)
Sky fraction	5%	100%
Resolution	20'	5'
Frequencies	1	9
Components	1	3
Pixels	$O(10^5)$	$O(10^9)$
Operations	$O(10^{15})$	$O(10^{27})$

Exact methods are no longer computationally tractable.

# Approximate CMB Analysis

- Produce filtered, biased, **less computationally expensive** maps as a tool to get to power spectra
- Use Monte Carlo simulations to determine effect of imperfect mapmaking on power-spectrum estimation
  - **Simulations required anyway to understand the effect of instrument systematic uncertainties**
- Dominant cost is simulating & mapping time-domain data for Monte Carlo realizations:  
 $O(\mathcal{N}_{mc}\mathcal{N}_t)$ 
  - Number of Monte-Carlo realizations needs to be  
 $\mathcal{N}_{mc} \sim O(10^3)$



# Simulations of CMB Analysis

- Linear algorithms reduce calculation costs but I/O & communication costs become more significant
  - Need to read in entire  $\mathcal{N}_t$  TOD to make a map
- But, experiment Monte Carlo simulations **create the TOD and then map it on-the-fly, never having to do the I/O** – these simulations are a good fit to the OSG.
- Another good fit: analyses that take existing maps or sub-maps as input
  - POLARBEAR Collaboration's first result (measuring lensing with the CMB): **post-map analysis done on the OSG, led here at UC San Diego**

# **EXPERIMENTS IN THE COMING DECADE**

# $\mathcal{N}_t$ : existing & future experiments & supercomputers

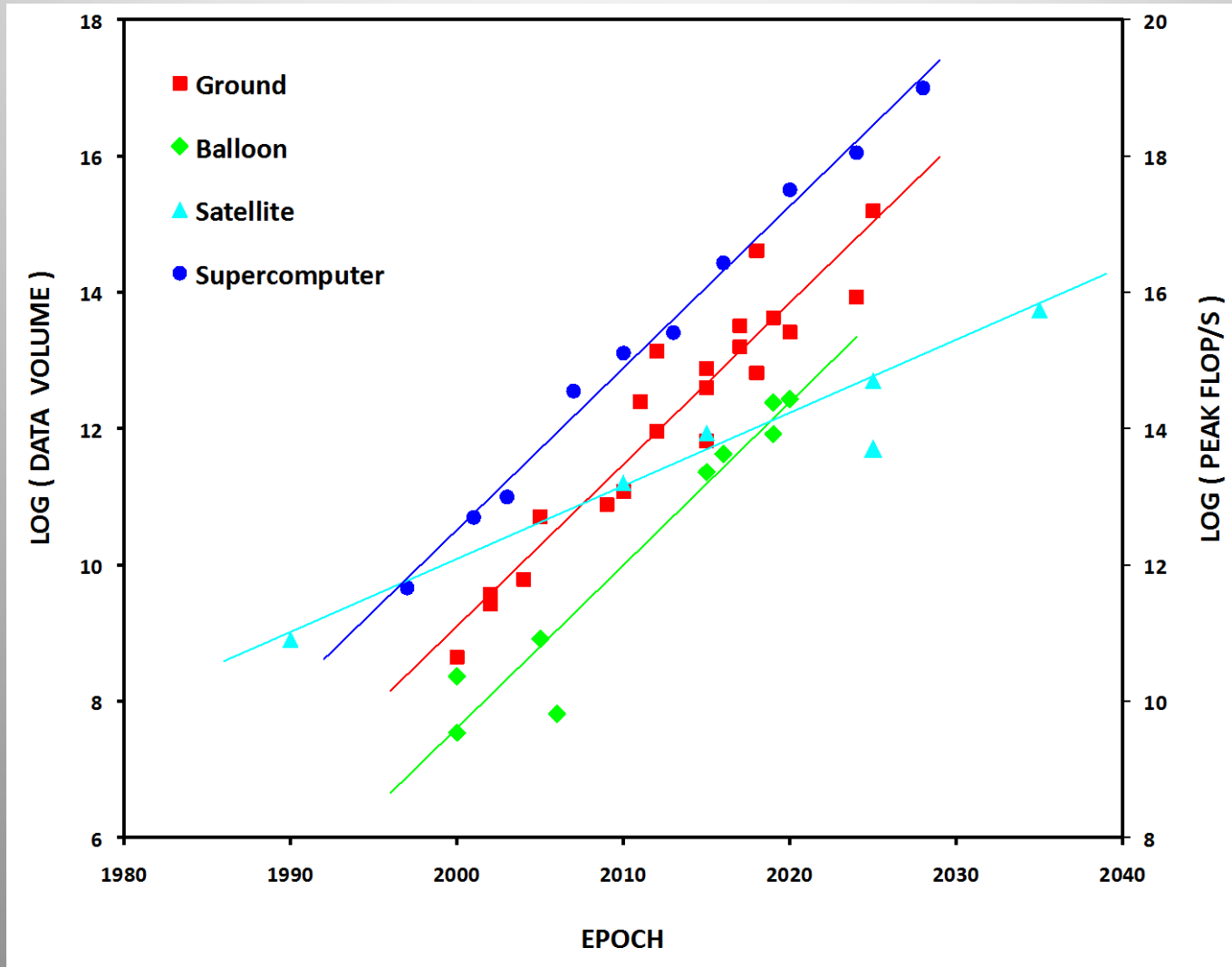


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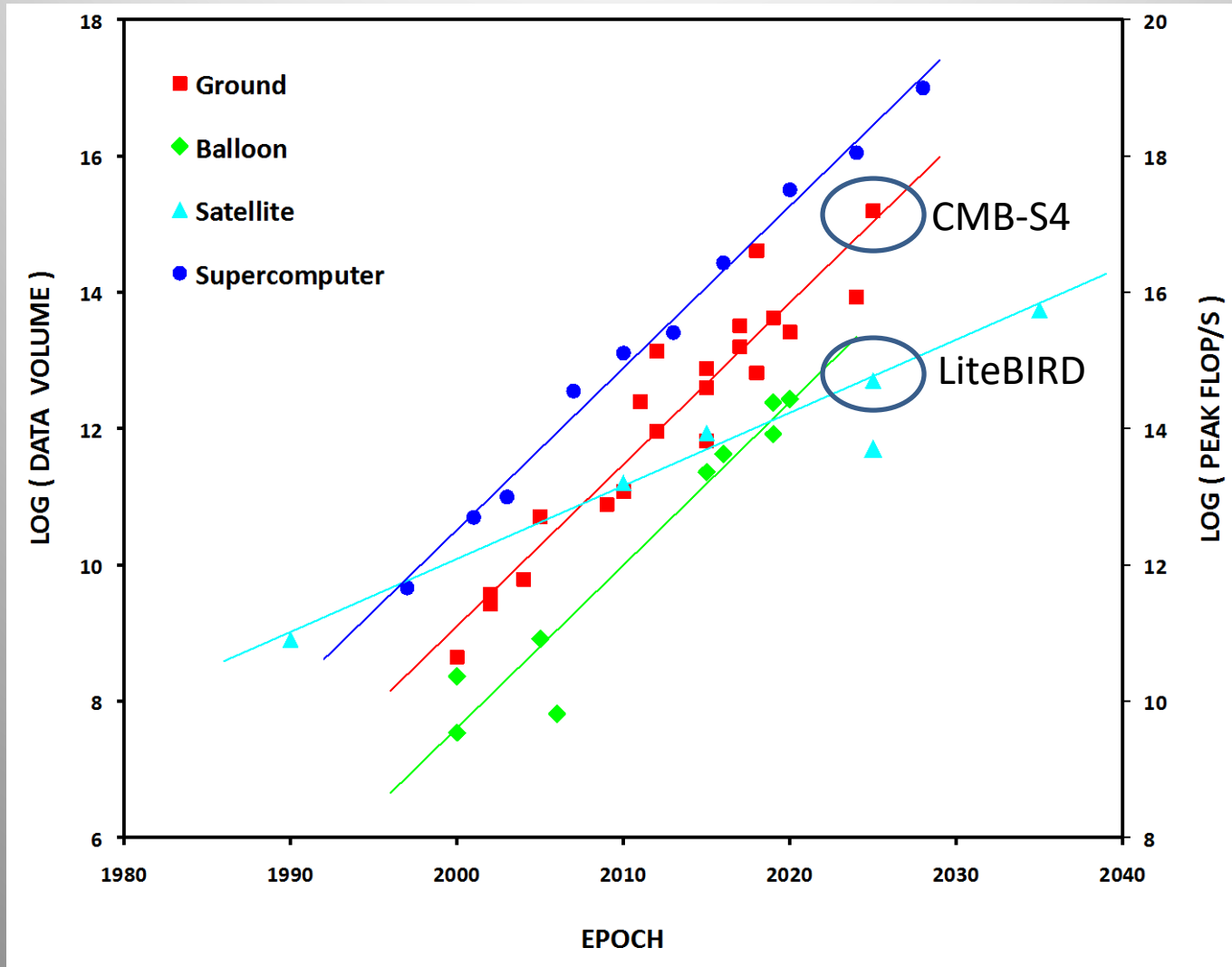


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- Currently in DOE/NSF joint concept definition - approaching critical decision 0.
  - Four community-wide conferences over the past 2 years to define project
  - Likely configuration: deploy  $O(10^6)$  bolometric detectors spread over several telescopes at Chile and the South Pole.
- Two order of magnitude increase in  $\mathcal{N}_t$  from today's experiments
- Requires lower floor for systematics residuals in data analysis
  - **More detailed & computationally expensive simulations (larger  $\mathcal{N}_{mc}$ ).**
  - More complex mitigation in pre-processing.
- Hope to use OSG as an important tool for simulations, combined with NERSC-like resource
  - South Pole Telescope is leading the way here, Simons Array (currently deploying in Chile) has done some analysis on OSG, hopefully more
  - Joining forces in this effort for CMB-S4.

# Conclusion

- The Cosmic Microwave Background can give us information about cosmology and the fundamental physics of our universe
- The computational requirements are large, even with approximate methods, but individual instrument simulations can be packaged for OSG-like systems
- In the future, leveraging systems like OSG will be an important component of the analysis pipeline