



# B-Polarisation and primordial inflation

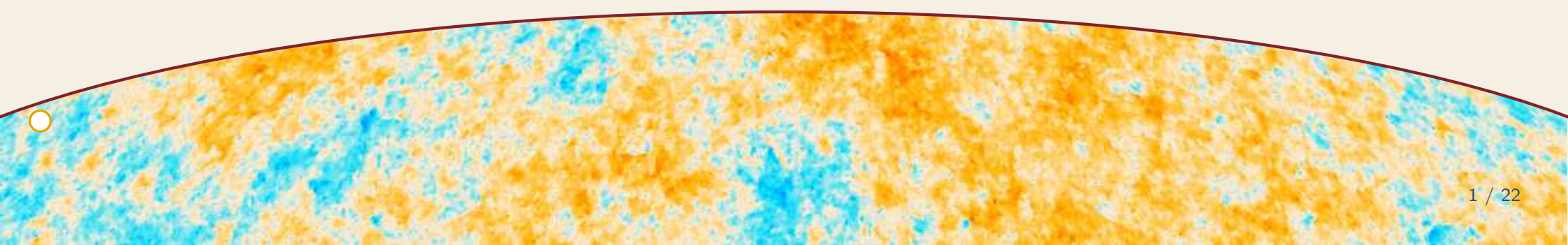
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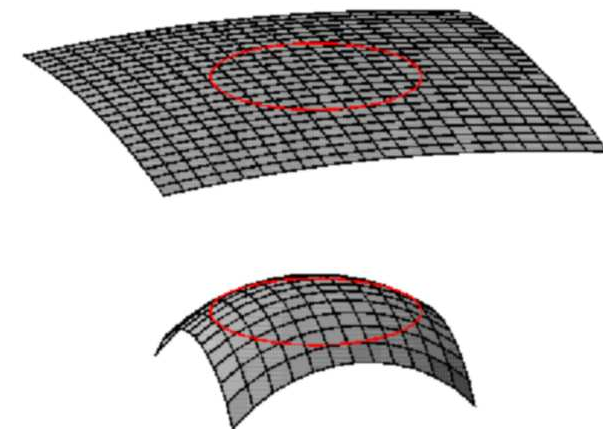
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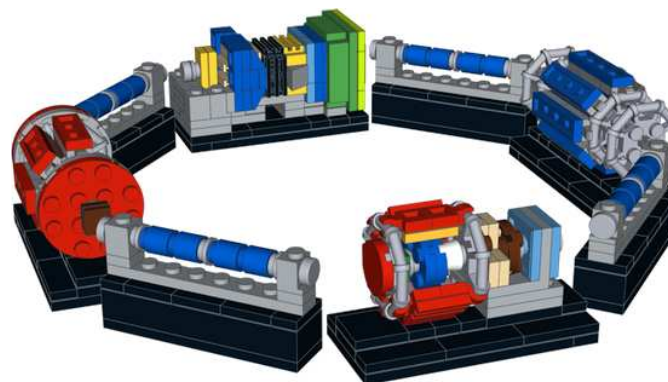
# What is primordial inflation?

- A yet to be proven theoretical paradigm describing the early Universe:

- ◆ Our Universe should have undergone a phase of exponentially fast accelerated expansion
- ◆ Length scales  $\times e^N$  with  $N > 60$  (e-folds)
- ◆ Occurred at a redshift:  $z_{\text{inf}} > 10^{10}$
- ◆ Could have lasted from  $10^{-32}$  s to an infinite amount of time



- Energy involved:  $10 \text{ MeV} \ll E_{\text{inf}} < 10^{16} \text{ GeV}$ 
  - ◆  $10^{16} \text{ GeV} = 1000$  billion times the energy of the LHC (7.5 billion €)



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  - ◆ **Negative pressure**
  - ◆ Or deviations from GR?



# Scalar field inflation

- The only known “type of matter” generating a negative pressure

$$S = \int dx^4 \sqrt{-g} \left[ \frac{M_{\text{P}}^2}{2} R + \mathcal{L}(\phi) \right] \quad \text{with} \quad \mathcal{L}(\phi) = -\frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu \phi \partial_\nu \phi - V(\phi)$$

- ◆ Proven to exist since 2012: the Higgs field is a scalar
- ◆ In slow-roll:  $\dot{\phi}^2 \ll V$

$$\rho = \frac{1}{2} H^2 \left( \frac{d\phi}{dN} \right)^2 + V(\phi) \simeq V(\phi), \quad P = \frac{1}{2} H^2 \left( \frac{d\phi}{dN} \right)^2 - V(\phi) \simeq -V(\phi)$$

- Can the Higgs field  $h$  be responsible of inflation?

- ◆ Yes, provided  $R \rightarrow (1 + \xi h^2) R$  [Bezrukov:2008]

- ◆ Almost equivalent to modify gravity  $R \rightarrow R + \frac{R^2}{\mu^2}$  [Starobinsky:1979]

- ◆ In the Einstein frame

$$V(\phi) = \frac{0.7 M_{\text{P}}^4}{4\xi^2} \left( 1 - e^{-\sqrt{2/3}\phi/M_{\text{P}}} \right)$$

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- Inflation is **quasi** de-Sitter spacetime due to  $\phi$ 
  - ◆ Scalar metric-field quantum fluctuations are amplified [Mukhanov:1981,Starobinsky:1982]
  - ◆ Quantum origin  $\Rightarrow$  Gaussianity
  - ◆ Power spectrum of the curvature perturbations at **leading order**

$$\mathcal{P}_\zeta = \frac{H_*^2}{8\pi^2 M_{\text{P}}^2 \epsilon_{1*}}, \quad \text{where} \quad \begin{cases} H_*^2 \simeq \frac{V(\phi_*)}{3M_{\text{P}}^2} \\ \epsilon_{1*} = \frac{1}{2M_{\text{P}}^2} \left. \frac{d\phi}{dN} \right|_*^2 \simeq \frac{M_{\text{P}}^2}{2} \left( \frac{V'}{V} \right)^2 \end{cases}$$

$\Rightarrow$  origin of the CMB and of all structures in the Universe

- Quantum fluctuations in de-Sitter  $\Rightarrow$  gravitational waves [Starobinsky:1979]

$$\mathcal{P}_h = \frac{2H_*^2}{\pi^2 M_{\text{P}}^2} \ll \mathcal{P}_\zeta \quad r \equiv \frac{\mathcal{P}_h}{\mathcal{P}_\zeta} = 16\epsilon_{1*} \ll 1$$

$\Rightarrow$  unavoidable consequence of field inflation



# Tensor-to-scalar ratio for Higgs inflation

- Amplitude of the CMB temperature anisotropies (Planck 2015)

$$\mathcal{P}_\zeta \simeq (2.2 \pm 0.1) \times 10^{-9} = \frac{V(\phi_*)}{24\pi^2 M_{\text{P}}^4 \epsilon_1(\phi_*)} \Rightarrow \xi \simeq 40000$$

- Amplitude of the primordial gravitational waves

- ◆ No free parameter!

$$\xi = 40000 \Rightarrow \mathcal{P}_h \simeq 8.8 \times 10^{-12} \Rightarrow r = 0.004$$

- ◆ Higgs inflation energy scale:  $E_{\text{inf}} \simeq 8 \times 10^{15}$  GeV

- These are gravitational waves produced at a redshift  $z_{\text{inf}} = 10^{27}$

- ◆ Current Planck 2015 constraints:  $r < 0.12$

- ◆ Out of sensitivity for interferometers such as LIGO/VIRGO

- ◆ Only one way to go: using the Universe at  $z = 1100$  as a detector:

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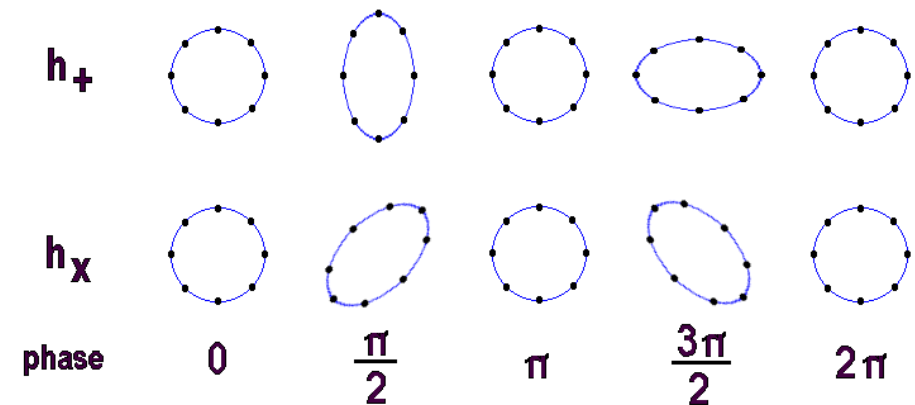
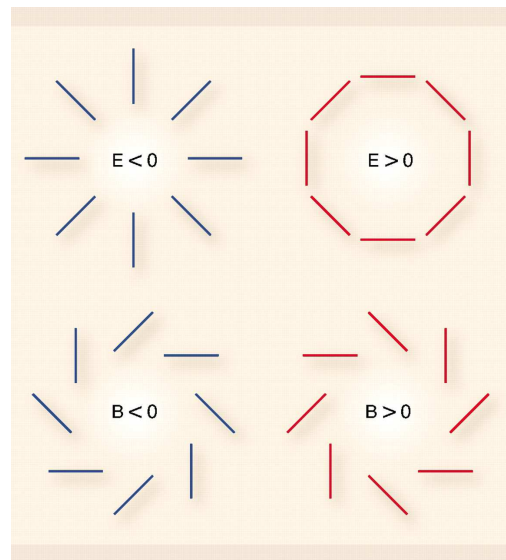
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- Because only gravitational waves and vector perturbations can make ionized matter in the cosmic plasma moving such as it generates a curly polarization



- Gravitational waves at  $z = 1100$  can only come from inflation
- Vector perturbations at that time can only come active sources such as Cosmic Strings, primordial magnetic fields and/or modified gravity

**primordial** B-modes = inflation or new physics



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- Does Higgs/Starobinsky inflation and  $r = 0.004$  universal predictions?
  - ◆ No, they are currently the simplest and most favoured models
- May Higgs and Starobinsky (and  $\alpha$ -attractor) inflation being disambiguated?
  - ◆ Yes, owing to the reheating, but requires high precision in all channels  $T$ ,  $E$ ,  $B$  (see next slides)
- How many models of inflation there are? Can we find the “correct” one?
  - ◆ Hundreds of slow-roll single field models have been proposed since the 80s
  - ◆ Planck 2015 + BICEP2/KECK have ruled out almost 40% of them
  - ◆ **CMB stage 4 in the worst case scenario**: inflation is slow-roll single field, no feature, no non-Gaussianities, no measureable isocurvature modes, no topological defects, no understanding of reheating microphysics

⇒ 80% of existing models would be ruled-out



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# Slow-roll at next-to-next to leading order

- Perturbative solutions for the background and field-metric perturbations

$$\epsilon_0 = \frac{H_{\text{ini}}}{H}, \quad \epsilon_{i+1} = \frac{d \ln |\epsilon_i|}{dN} \quad \text{measure deviations from de-Sitter}$$

- Background trajectory:  $N - N_{\text{end}} \simeq \int_{\phi}^{\phi_{\text{end}}} \frac{V(\psi)}{V'(\psi)} d\psi$
- Accelerated expansion ( $\ddot{a} > 0$ ) stops for  $\epsilon_1(\phi_{\text{end}}) = 1$ 
  - ◆ Or, there is another mechanism ending inflation (tachyonic instability) and  $\phi_{\text{end}}$  is a model parameter
- Equations of motion for the linear perturbations

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \mu_{\text{T}} &\equiv ah \\ \mu_{\text{S}} &\equiv a\sqrt{2}\phi_{,N}\zeta \end{aligned} \right\} \Rightarrow \mu''_{\text{TS}} + \left[ k^2 - \frac{(a\sqrt{\epsilon_1})''}{a\sqrt{\epsilon_1}} \right] \mu_{\text{TS}} = 0$$

- ◆ Are solved order by order in  $\epsilon_i$  around a particular time  $\eta_* = \eta(N_*)$

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# Slow-roll power spectra

- Can be consistently solved using slow-roll and pivot expansion [Stewart:1993, Gong:2001, Schwarz:2001, Leach:2002, Martin:2002, Habib:2002, Casadio:2005, Lorenz:2008, Martin:2013, Beltran:2013]

## ◆ Scalar modes

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_\zeta = & \frac{H_*^2}{8\pi^2 M_{\text{P}}^2 \epsilon_{1*}} \left\{ 1 - 2(1+C)\epsilon_{1*} - C\epsilon_{2*} + \left( \frac{\pi^2}{2} - 3 + 2C + 2C^2 \right) \epsilon_{1*}^2 + \left( \frac{7\pi^2}{12} - 6 - C + C^2 \right) \epsilon_{1*}\epsilon_{2*} \right. \\ & + \left( \frac{\pi^2}{8} - 1 + \frac{C^2}{2} \right) \epsilon_{2*}^2 + \left( \frac{\pi^2}{24} - \frac{C^2}{2} \right) \epsilon_{2*}\epsilon_{3*} \\ & + \left[ -2\epsilon_{1*} - \epsilon_{2*} + (2+4C)\epsilon_{1*}^2 + (-1+2C)\epsilon_{1*}\epsilon_{2*} + C\epsilon_{2*}^2 - C\epsilon_{2*}\epsilon_{3*} \right] \ln \left( \frac{k}{k_*} \right) \\ & \left. + \left[ 2\epsilon_{1*}^2 + \epsilon_{1*}\epsilon_{2*} + \frac{1}{2}\epsilon_{2*}^2 - \frac{1}{2}\epsilon_{2*}\epsilon_{3*} \right] \ln^2 \left( \frac{k}{k_*} \right) \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

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- Notice that:  $H_* \equiv H(N_*)$  and  $\epsilon_{i*} \equiv \epsilon_i(N_*)$  in which

$$k_* \eta(N_*) = -1, \quad \text{Hubble exit of an observable scale } k_*$$

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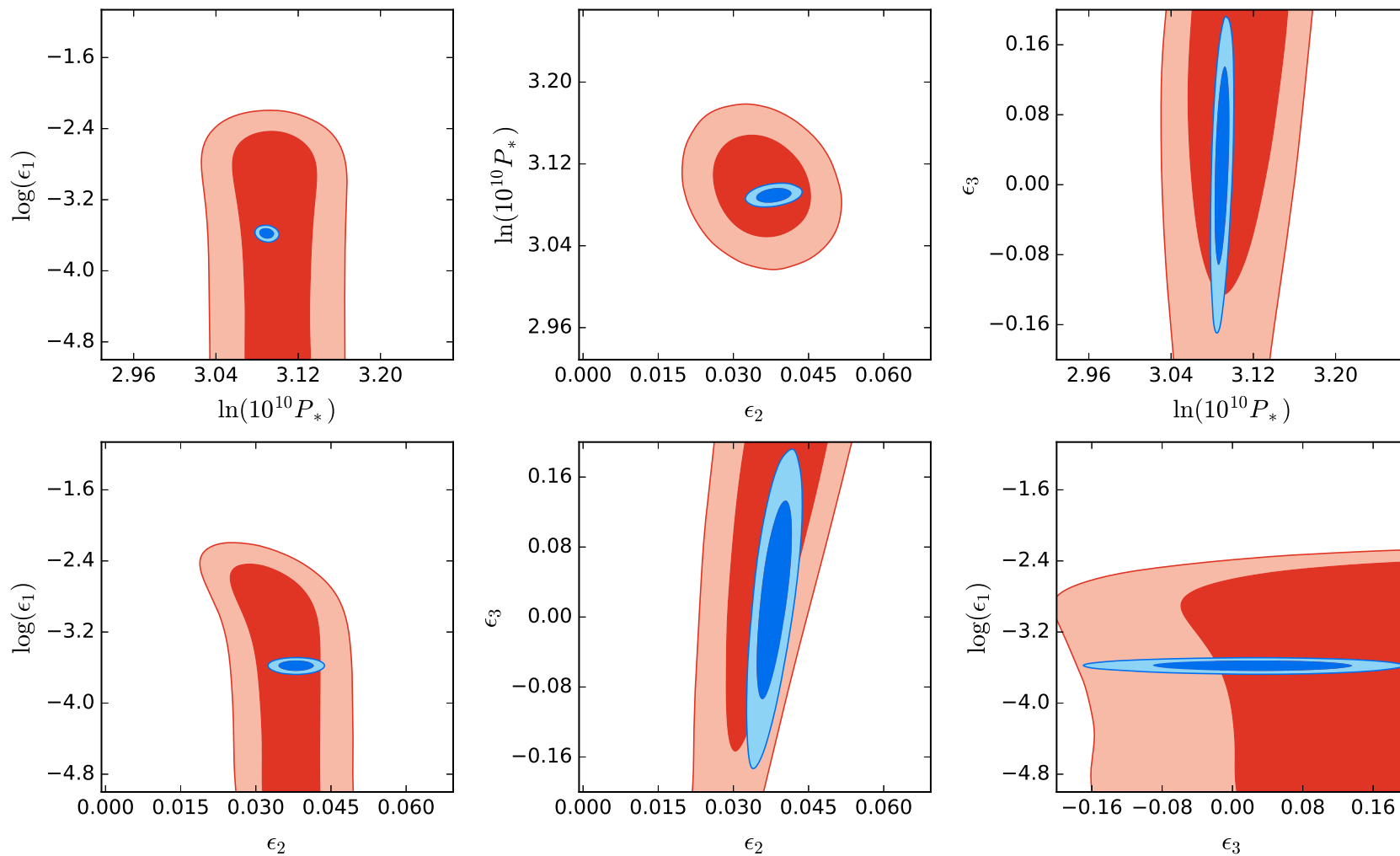
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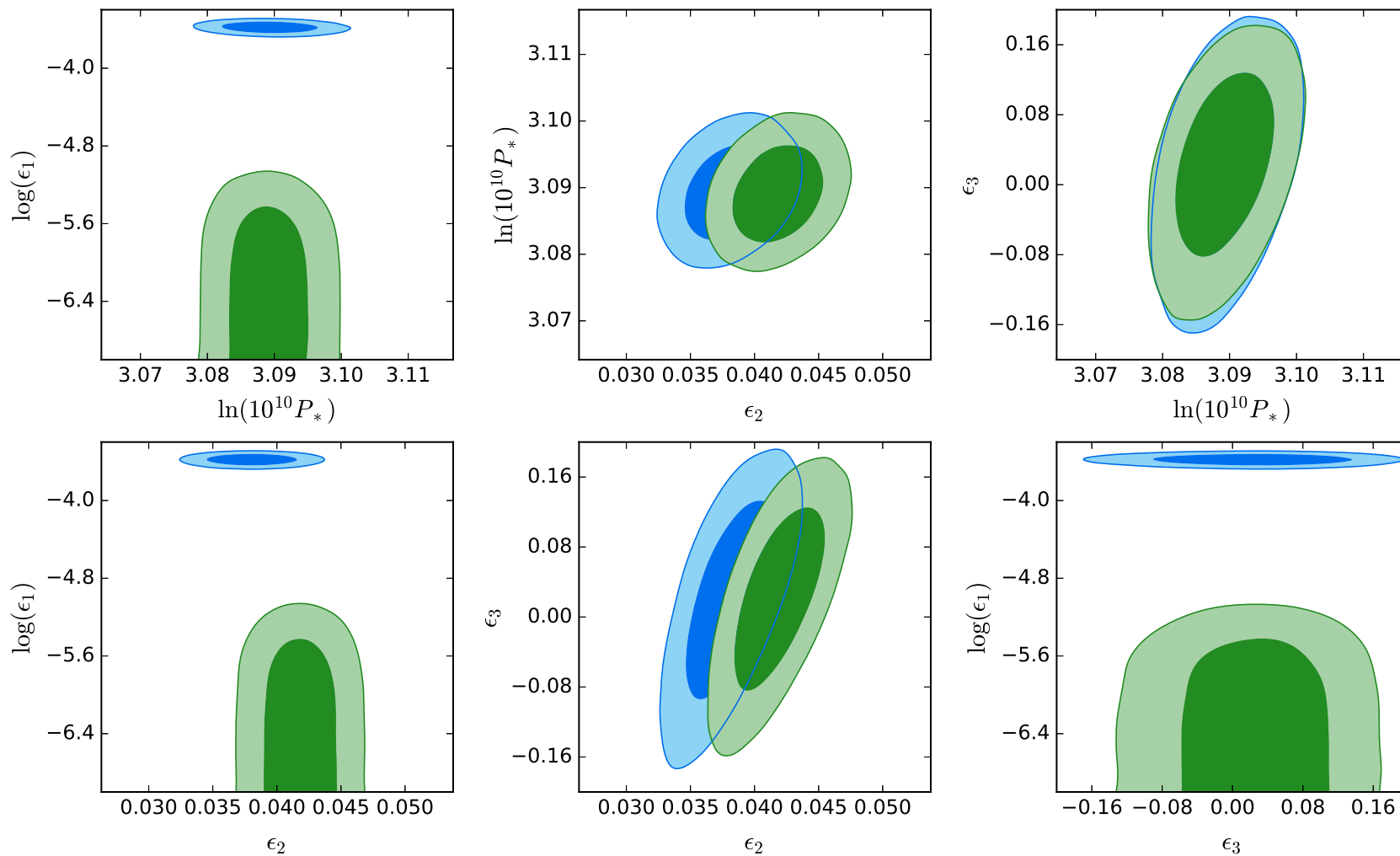
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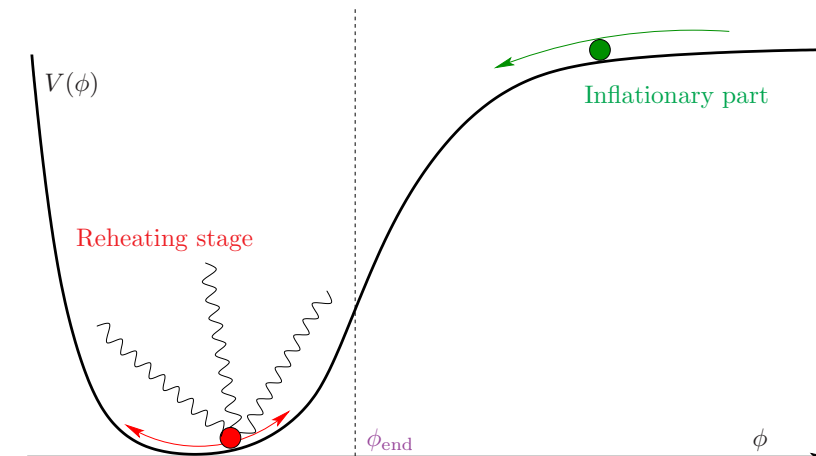
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- Must exist within inflationary cosmology
  - ◆ Decelerating expansion era immediately following inflation
  - ◆ Transition from field vacuum domination to radiation domination

- Basic picture

- ◆ In details, a very complicated process, microphysics dependent
- ◆ Theoretically, reheating is completely specified by the couplings between the inflaton and Standard Model particles



- Two inflationary models may share the **same potential** while having a completely **different reheating** era!

- ◆ Starobinski Inflation:  $\rho_{\text{reh}}^{1/4} \simeq 10^9 \text{ GeV}$  [Terada et al., arXiv:1411.6746]

- ◆ Higgs Inflation:  $\rho_{\text{reh}}^{1/4} \lesssim 10^{13} \text{ GeV??}$  [Garcia-Bellido et al., arXiv:0812.4624]



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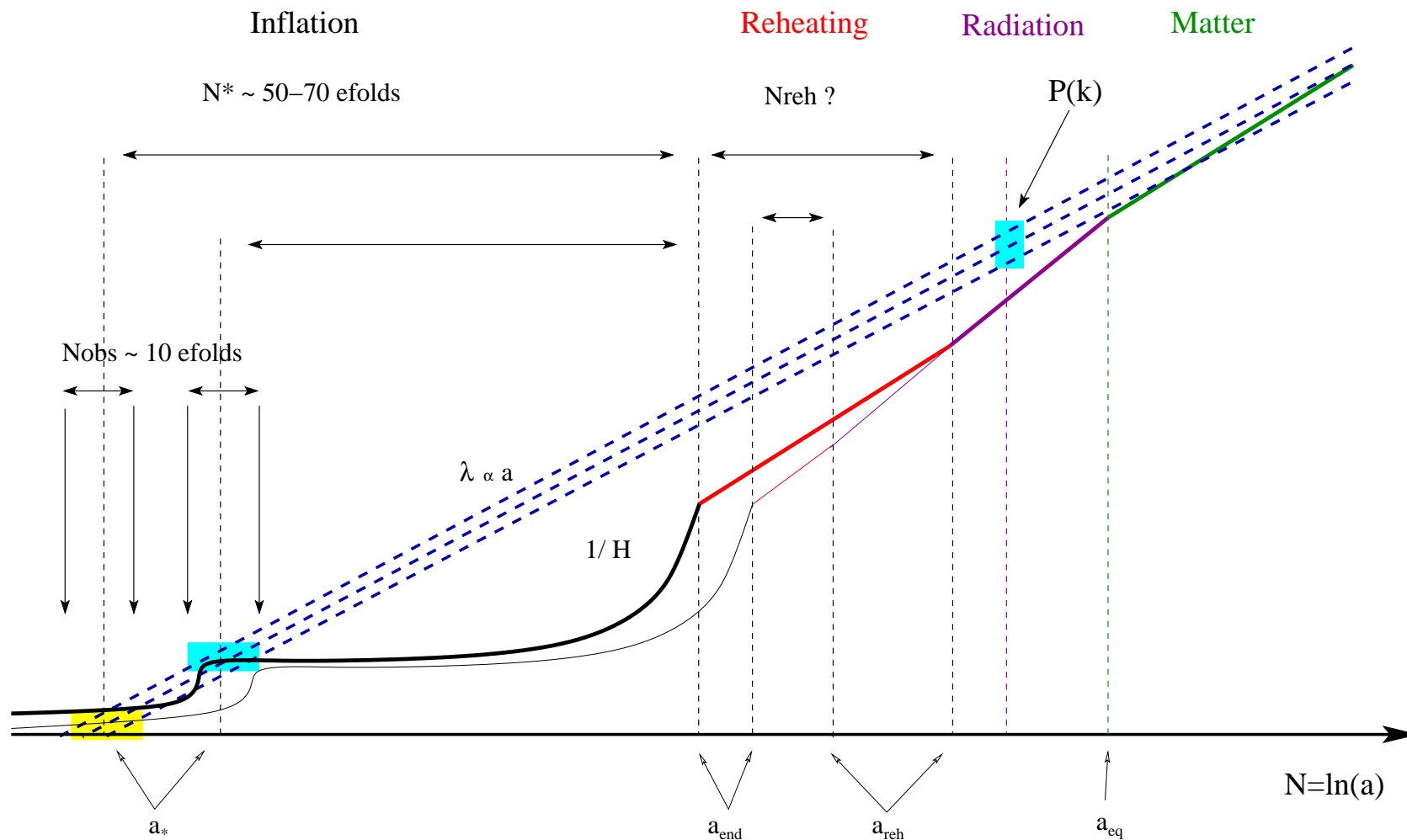
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- Cosmological observations “measure”  $\mathcal{P}_{\zeta,h}(k)$  from the radiation era; inflationary models predict  $\mathcal{P}_{\zeta,h}(k)$  at Hubble exit
- Reheating unavoidably affects the **observable** length scales



# Solving for the time of pivot crossing

- To make inflationary predictions, one has to solve  $k_* \eta_* = -1$

$$\frac{k_*}{a_0} = \frac{a(N_*)}{a_0} H_* = \frac{e^{\Delta N_*} H_*}{1 + z_{\text{end}}} = e^{\Delta N_*} R_{\text{rad}} \left( \frac{\rho_{\text{end}}}{\tilde{\rho}_\gamma} \right)^{-\frac{1}{4}} H_*$$

- $R_{\text{rad}}$  can be expressed in terms of  $(\rho_{\text{reh}}, \bar{w}_{\text{reh}})$  or  $(\Delta N_{\text{reh}}, \bar{w}_{\text{reh}})$

$$\ln R_{\text{rad}} = \frac{\Delta N_{\text{reh}}}{4} (3\bar{w}_{\text{reh}} - 1) = \frac{1 - 3\bar{w}_{\text{reh}}}{12(1 + \bar{w}_{\text{reh}})} \ln \left( \frac{\rho_{\text{reh}}}{\rho_{\text{end}}} \right)$$

- Defining  $N_0 \equiv \ln \left[ k_* / (a_0 \tilde{\rho}_\gamma^{1/4}) \right]$  (number of e-folds of deceleration), this is a non-trivial integral equation that depends on: **model** + **how inflation ends** + **reheating** + **data** [Martin, Ringeval:2006]

$$- \left[ \int_{\phi_{\text{end}}}^{\phi_*} \frac{V(\psi)}{V'(\psi)} d\psi \right] = \ln R_{\text{rad}} - N_0 + \frac{1}{4} \ln(8\pi^2 P_*) - \frac{1}{4} \ln \left\{ \frac{9}{\epsilon_1(\phi_*) [3 - \epsilon_1(\phi_{\text{end}})]} \frac{V(\phi_{\text{end}})}{V(\phi_*)} \right\}$$

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- Fiducial model has  $T_{\text{reh}} = 10^8 \text{ GeV}$  and  $\bar{w}_{\text{reh}} = 0$

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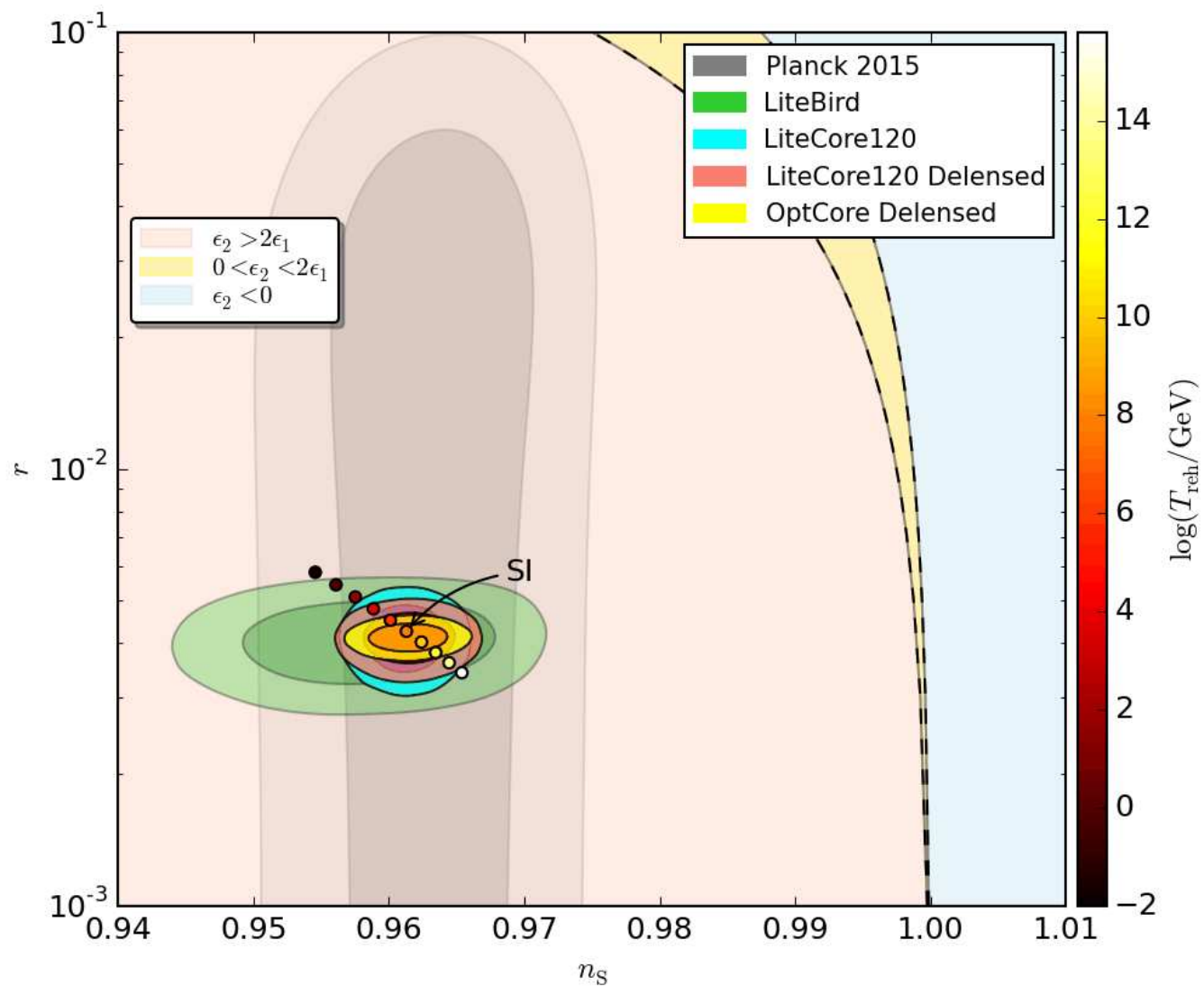
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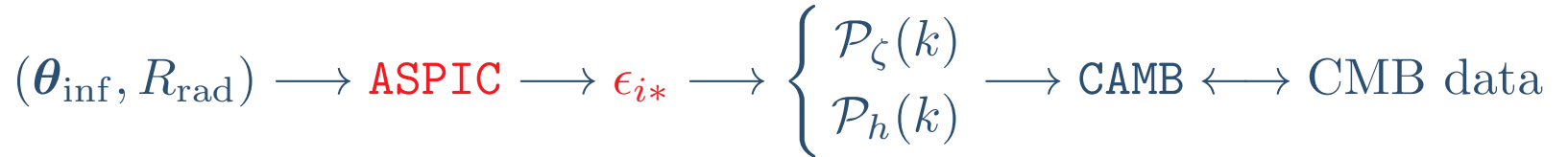
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# Data analysis in model space

- Data should be analyzed within the parameter space of each model, including the reheating parameter:  $(\theta_{\text{inf}}, R_{\text{rad}})$
- Using the public code **ASPIC** of Encyclopaedia Inflationaris [arxiv:1303.3787]



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Name	Parameters	Sub-models	$V(\phi)$
HI	0	1	$M^4 (1 - e^{-\sqrt{2/3}\phi/M_{\text{Pl}}})$
RCHI	1	1	$M^4 (1 - 2e^{-\sqrt{2/3}\phi/M_{\text{Pl}}} + \frac{A}{16\pi^2} \frac{\phi}{\sqrt{6}M_{\text{Pl}}})$
LFI	1	1	$M^4 \left(\frac{\phi}{M_{\text{Pl}}}\right)^p$
MLFI	1	1	$M^4 \frac{\phi^2}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2} \left[1 + \alpha \frac{\phi^2}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2}\right]$
RCMI	1	1	$M^4 \left(\frac{\phi}{M_{\text{Pl}}}\right)^2 \left[1 - 2\alpha \frac{\phi^2}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2} \ln\left(\frac{\phi}{M_{\text{Pl}}}\right)\right]$
RCQI	1	1	$M^4 \left(\frac{\phi}{M_{\text{Pl}}}\right)^4 \left[1 - \alpha \ln\left(\frac{\phi}{M_{\text{Pl}}}\right)\right]$
NI	1	1	$M^4 \left[1 + \cos\left(\frac{\phi}{f}\right)\right]$
ESI	1	1	$M^4 (1 - e^{-q\phi/M_{\text{Pl}}})$
PLI	1	1	$M^4 e^{-\alpha\phi/M_{\text{Pl}}}$
KMII	1	2	$M^4 \left(1 - \alpha \frac{\phi}{M_{\text{Pl}}} e^{-\phi/M_{\text{Pl}}}\right)$
HFII	1	1	$M^4 \left(1 + A_1 \frac{\phi}{M_{\text{Pl}}}\right)^2 \left[1 - \frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{A_1 \phi/M_{\text{Pl}}}{1 + A_1 \phi/M_{\text{Pl}}}\right)^2\right]$
CWI	1	1	$M^4 \left[1 + \alpha \left(\frac{\phi}{Q}\right)^4 \ln\left(\frac{\phi}{Q}\right)\right]$
LI	1	2	$M^4 \left[1 + \alpha \ln\left(\frac{\phi}{M_{\text{Pl}}}\right)\right]$
RpI	1	3	$M^4 e^{-2\sqrt{2/3}\phi/M_{\text{Pl}}} \left[e^{\sqrt{2/3}\phi/M_{\text{Pl}}} - 1\right]^{2p/(2p-1)}$
DWI	1	1	$M^4 \left[\left(\frac{\phi}{\phi_0}\right)^2 - 1\right]^2$
MHI	1	1	$M^4 \left[1 - \text{sech}\left(\frac{\phi}{\mu}\right)\right]$
RGI	1	1	$M^4 \frac{(\phi/M_{\text{Pl}})^4}{\alpha + (\phi/M_{\text{Pl}})^2}$
MSSMI	1	1	$M^4 \left[\left(\frac{\phi}{\phi_0}\right)^2 - \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{\phi}{\phi_0}\right)^6 + \frac{1}{5} \left(\frac{\phi}{\phi_0}\right)^{10}\right]$
RIPi	1	1	$M^4 \left[\left(\frac{\phi}{\phi_0}\right)^2 - \frac{4}{3} \left(\frac{\phi}{\phi_0}\right)^3 + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\phi}{\phi_0}\right)^4\right]$
AI	1	1	$M^4 \left[1 - \frac{2}{\pi} \arctan\left(\frac{\phi}{\mu}\right)\right]$
CNAI	1	1	$M^4 \left[3 - (3 + \alpha^2) \tanh^2\left(\frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\phi}{M_{\text{Pl}}}\right)\right]$
CNBI	1	1	$M^4 \left[(3 - \alpha^2) \tan^2\left(\frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\phi}{M_{\text{Pl}}}\right) - 3\right]$
OSTI	1	1	$-M^4 \left(\frac{\phi}{\phi_0}\right)^2 \ln\left(\frac{\phi}{\phi_0}\right)^2$
WRI	1	1	$M^4 \ln\left(\frac{\phi}{\phi_0}\right)^2$
SFI	2	1	$M^4 \left[1 - \left(\frac{\phi}{\mu}\right)^p\right]$

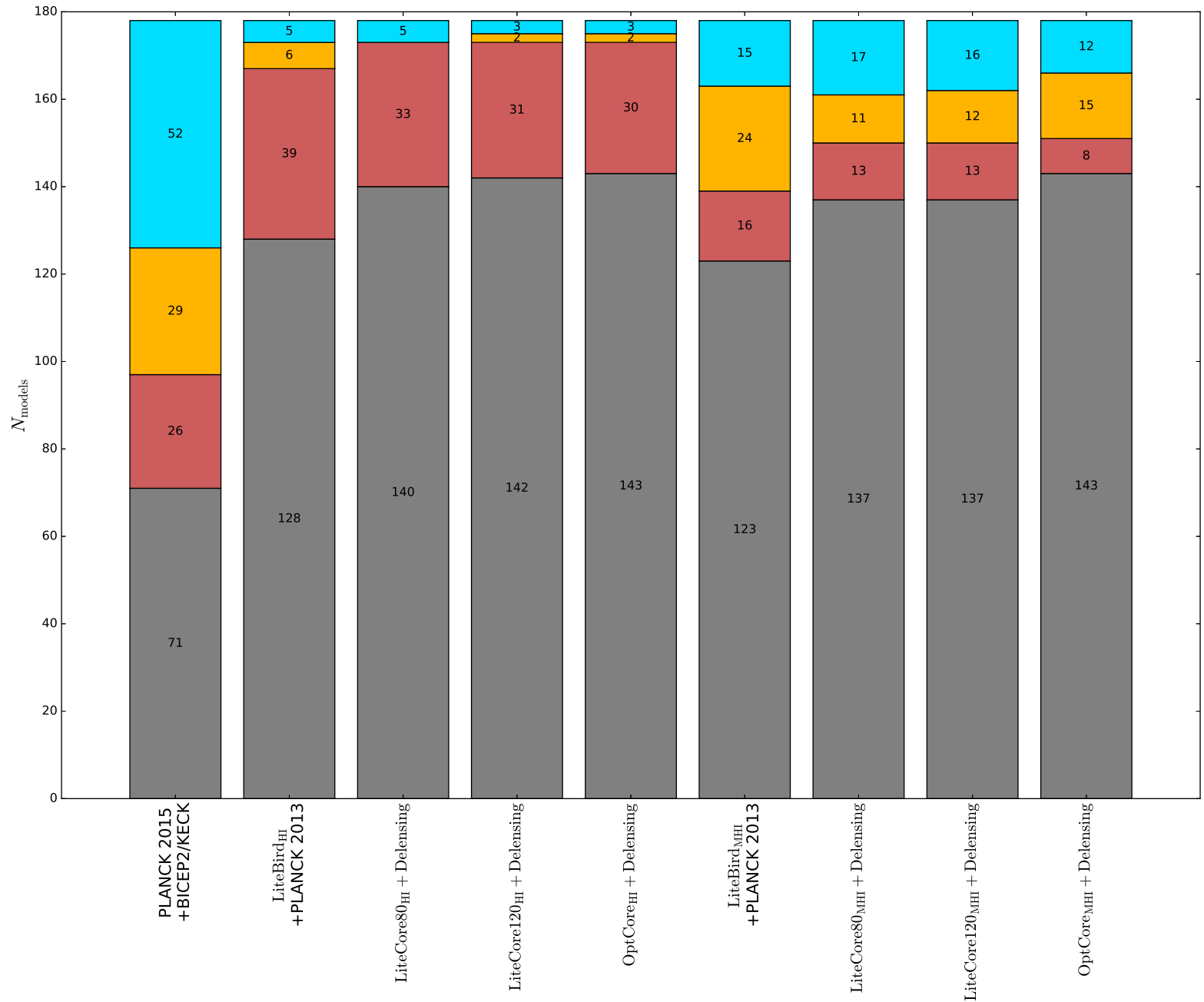
II	2	1	$M^4 \left(\frac{\phi - \phi_0}{M_{\text{Pl}}}\right)^{-\beta} - M^4 \frac{\beta^2}{6} \left(\frac{\phi - \phi_0}{M_{\text{Pl}}}\right)^{-\beta-2}$
KMIII	2	1	$M^4 \left[1 - \alpha \frac{\phi}{M_{\text{Pl}}}\right] \exp\left(-\beta \frac{\phi}{M_{\text{Pl}}}\right)$
LMI	2	2	$M^4 \left(\frac{\phi}{M_{\text{Pl}}}\right)^{\alpha} \exp[-\beta(\phi/M_{\text{Pl}})^{\gamma}]$
TWI	2	1	$M^4 \left[1 - A \left(\frac{\phi}{\phi_0}\right)^2 e^{-\phi/\phi_0}\right]$
GMSSMI	2	2	$M^4 \left[\left(\frac{\phi}{\phi_0}\right)^2 - \frac{2}{3} \alpha \left(\frac{\phi}{\phi_0}\right)^6 + \frac{\alpha}{5} \left(\frac{\phi}{\phi_0}\right)^{10}\right]$
GRIPi	2	2	$M^4 \left[\left(\frac{\phi}{\phi_0}\right)^2 - \frac{4}{3} \alpha \left(\frac{\phi}{\phi_0}\right)^3 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \left(\frac{\phi}{\phi_0}\right)^4\right]$
BSUSYBI	2	1	$M^4 \left(e^{\sqrt{6}\phi/M_{\text{Pl}}} + e^{\sqrt{6}\phi_0/M_{\text{Pl}}}\right)$
TI	2	3	$M^4 \left(1 + \cos\frac{\phi}{\mu} + \alpha \sin^2\frac{\phi}{\mu}\right)$
BEI	2	1	$M^4 \exp_{1-\beta}\left(-\lambda \frac{\phi}{M_{\text{Pl}}}\right)$
PSNI	2	1	$M^4 \left[1 + \alpha \ln\left(\cos\frac{\phi}{2}\right)\right]$
NCKI	2	2	$M^4 \left[1 + \alpha \ln\left(\frac{\phi}{M_{\text{Pl}}}\right) + \beta \left(\frac{\phi}{M_{\text{Pl}}}\right)^2\right]$
CSI	2	1	$\frac{M^4}{(1 - \alpha \frac{\phi}{M_{\text{Pl}}})^2}$
OI	2	1	$M^4 \left(\frac{\phi}{\phi_0}\right)^4 \left[\ln\left(\frac{\phi}{\phi_0}\right) - \alpha\right]$
CNCI	2	1	$M^4 \left[(3 + \alpha^2) \coth^2\left(\frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{\phi}{M_{\text{Pl}}}\right) - 3\right]$
SBI	2	2	$M^4 \left\{1 + \left[-\alpha + \beta \ln\left(\frac{\phi}{M_{\text{Pl}}}\right)\right] \left(\frac{\phi}{M_{\text{Pl}}}\right)^4\right\}$
SSBI	2	6	$M^4 \left[1 + \alpha \left(\frac{\phi}{M_{\text{Pl}}}\right)^2 + \beta \left(\frac{\phi}{M_{\text{Pl}}}\right)^4\right]$
IMI	2	1	$M^4 \left(\frac{\phi}{M_{\text{Pl}}}\right)^{-p}$
BI	2	2	$M^4 \left[1 - \left(\frac{\phi}{\mu}\right)^{-p}\right]$
RMI	3	4	$M^4 \left[1 - \frac{\phi}{2} \left(-\frac{1}{2} + \ln\frac{\phi}{\phi_0}\right) \frac{\phi^2}{M_{\text{Pl}}^2}\right]$
VHI	3	1	$M^4 \left[1 + \left(\frac{\phi}{\mu}\right)^p\right]$
DSI	3	1	$M^4 \left[1 + \left(\frac{\phi}{\mu}\right)^p\right]$
GMLFI	3	1	$M^4 \left(\frac{\phi}{M_{\text{Pl}}}\right)^p \left[1 + \alpha \left(\frac{\phi}{M_{\text{Pl}}}\right)^q\right]$
LPI	3	3	$M^4 \left(\frac{\phi}{\phi_0}\right)^p \left(\ln\frac{\phi}{\phi_0}\right)^q$
CNDI	3	3	$\frac{M^4}{\left\{1 + \beta \cos\left[\alpha \left(\frac{\phi - \phi_0}{M_{\text{Pl}}}\right)\right]\right\}^2}$





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Strongly disfavoured    Moderately disfavoured    Weakly disfavoured    Favoured



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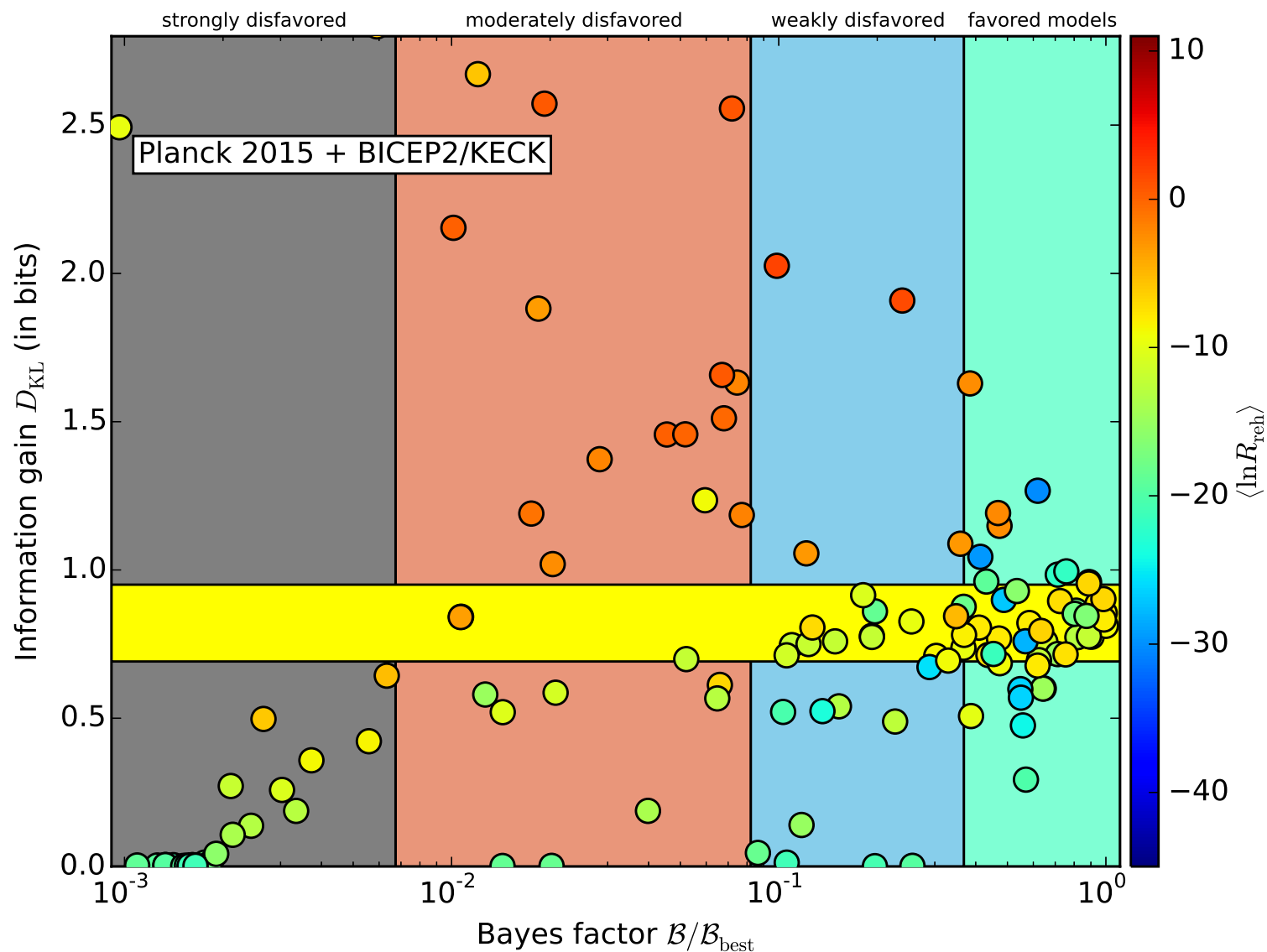
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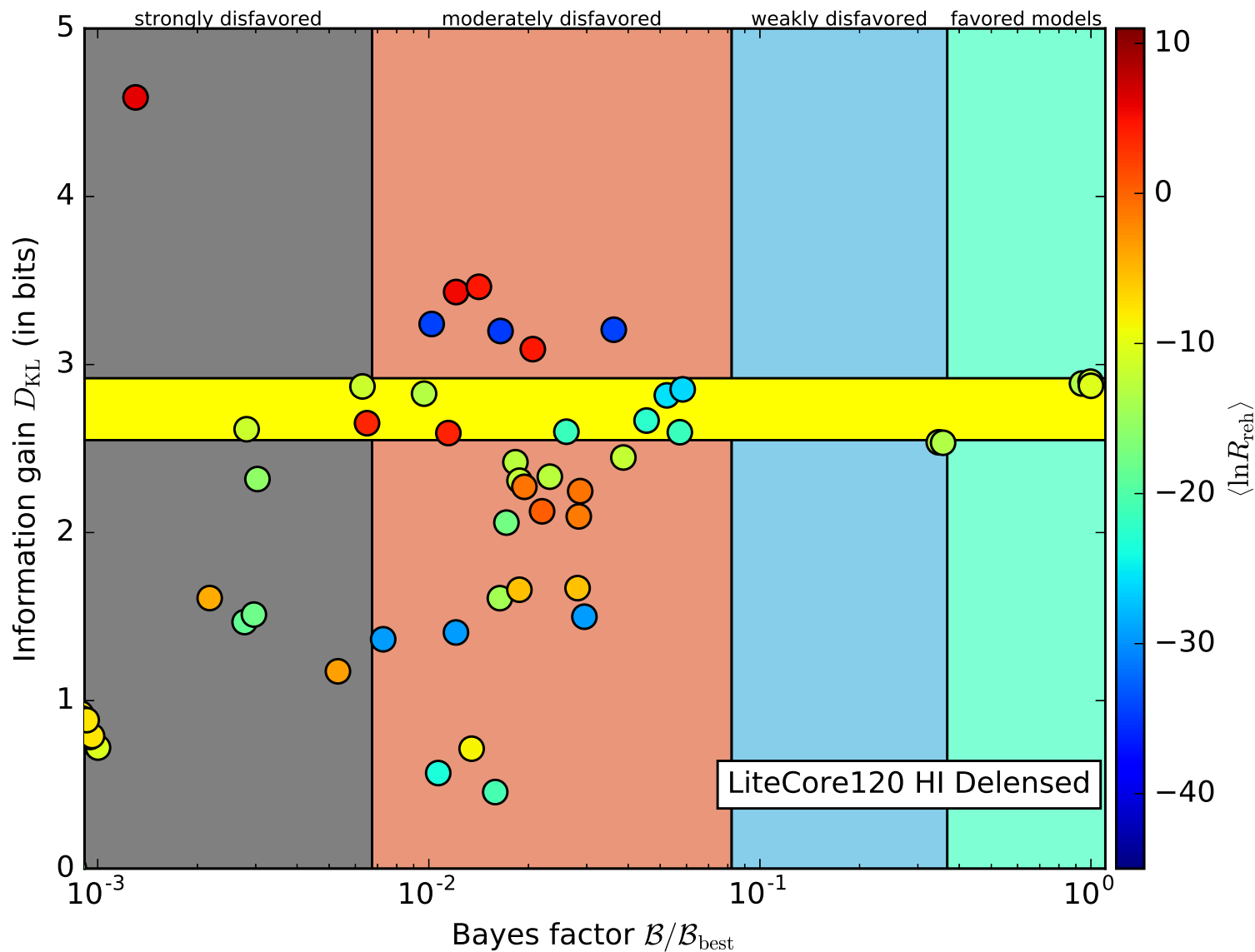
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- Slow-roll single field inflation without feature is a worst case scenario on the route to  $r = 10^{-3}$ 
  - ◆ Any measurement of non-Gaussianities, features, trans-Planckian effects, isocurvature would provide unvaluable information on inflationary microphysics
- Cosmic strings could also be discovered through primordial  $B$ -modes,  $T$  at large multipoles, or even with GW direct detection
  - $\Rightarrow$  lower bound on  $E_{\text{inf}} \Rightarrow$  lower bound on  $r$
- CMB S4 should not only target low values of  $r = 16\epsilon_{1*}$  but also improves accuracy on  $\epsilon_{2*}$  and the running of  $\mathcal{P}_\zeta \Rightarrow \epsilon_{3*}$ 
  - ◆ Disambiguating models with reheating
  - ◆ Could potentially kill slow-roll!
- Inflation being proven true would dramatically expand what we call “The Universe”: a huge impact for Physics