

Cornering Extended Starobinsky Inflation with CMB and SKA

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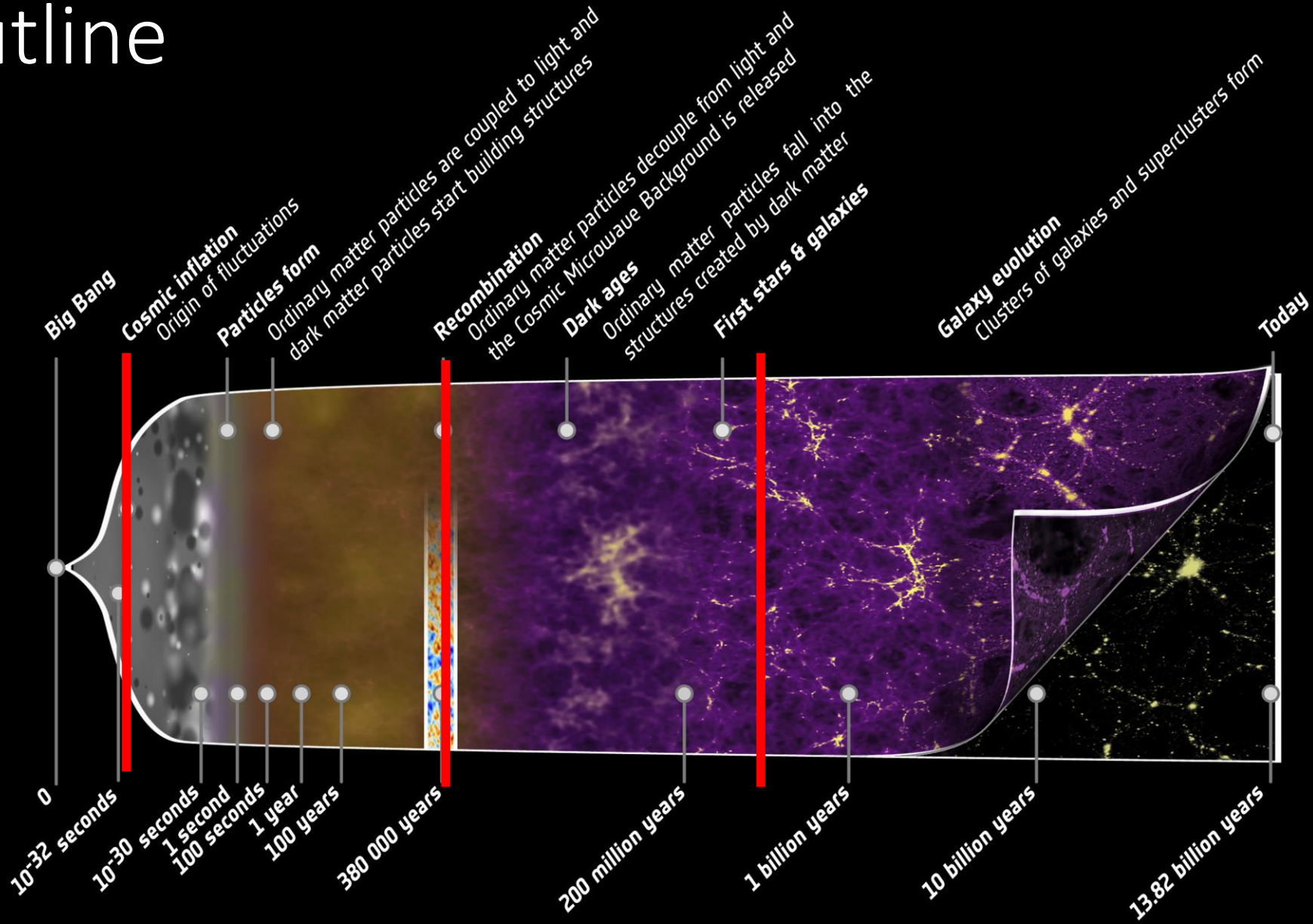
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Outline



Motivation

Goal: Explain inflation with gravity

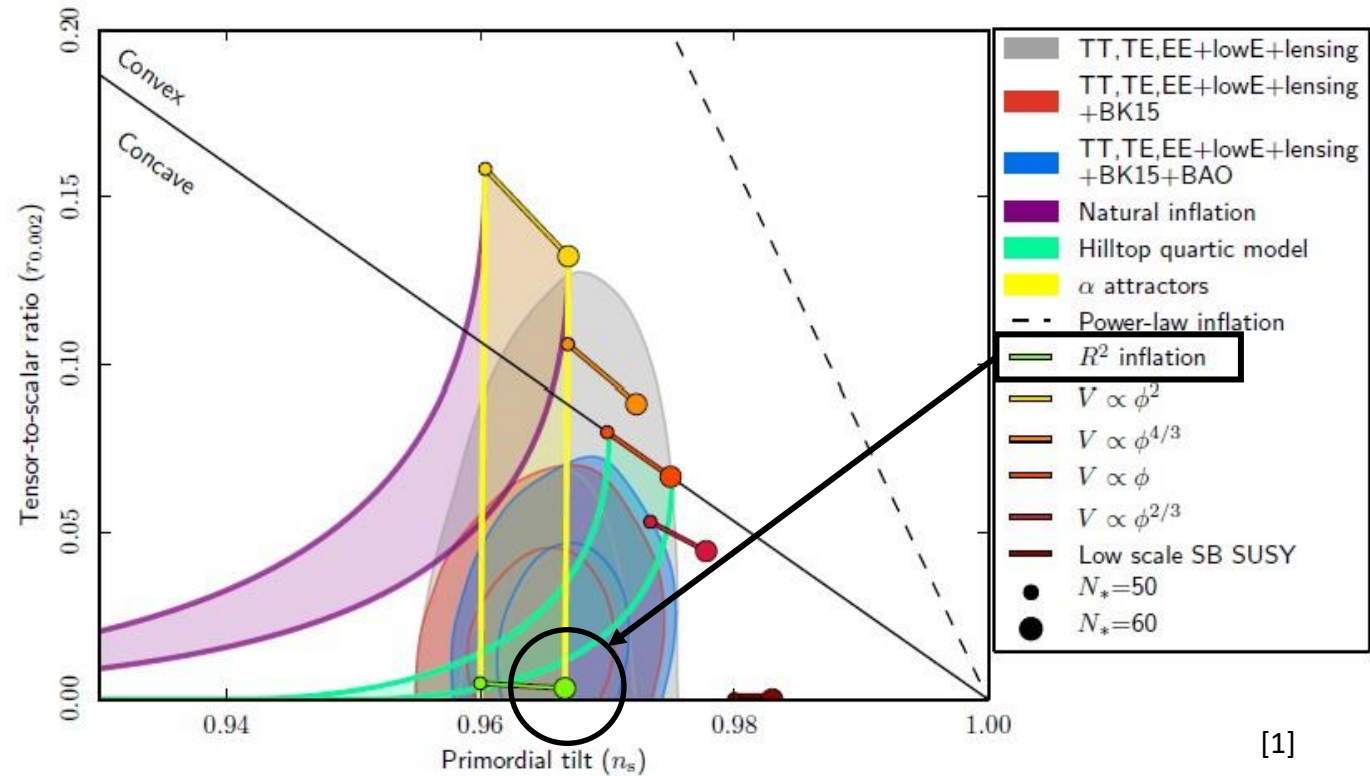
$$\mathcal{L}_{EH} = \frac{M_P^2}{2} \sqrt{-g} R$$

↓ Starobinsky-inflation is the best-fit model

$$\mathcal{L}_{St} = \frac{M_P^2}{2} \sqrt{-g} \left(R + \frac{1}{6M^2} R^2 \right)$$

↓ Include higher order terms: $f(R)$ -gravity

$$\mathcal{L}_{(3)} = \frac{M_P^2}{2} \sqrt{-g} \left(R + \frac{1}{6M^2} R^2 + \frac{c}{36M^4} R^3 \right)$$



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¹ Planck 2018 results. X. Constraints on inflation, arXiv:1807.06211v2

Einstein-Jordan duality

$$S_J = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g_J} f(R), \quad f(R) = \frac{M_P^2}{2} \left(R + \frac{1}{6M^2} R^2 + \frac{c}{36M^4} R^3 \right)$$

Legendre transformation \Downarrow s : scalar field

$$S_J = \frac{1}{2} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g_J} [f(s) - f'(s)(R - s)] \equiv \int d^4x \sqrt{-g_J} \left[\frac{M_P^2}{2} \Omega^2 R - V(s) \right],$$
$$\Omega^2 = \frac{f'(s)}{M_P^2} = 1 + \frac{1}{3M^2} s + \frac{c}{12M^4} s^2, \quad V(s) = \frac{1}{2} [s f'(s) - f(s)]$$

Change from Jordan-frame to Einstein-frame \Downarrow Weyl transformation: $g_{\mu\nu,E} = \Omega^2 g_{\mu\nu,J}$

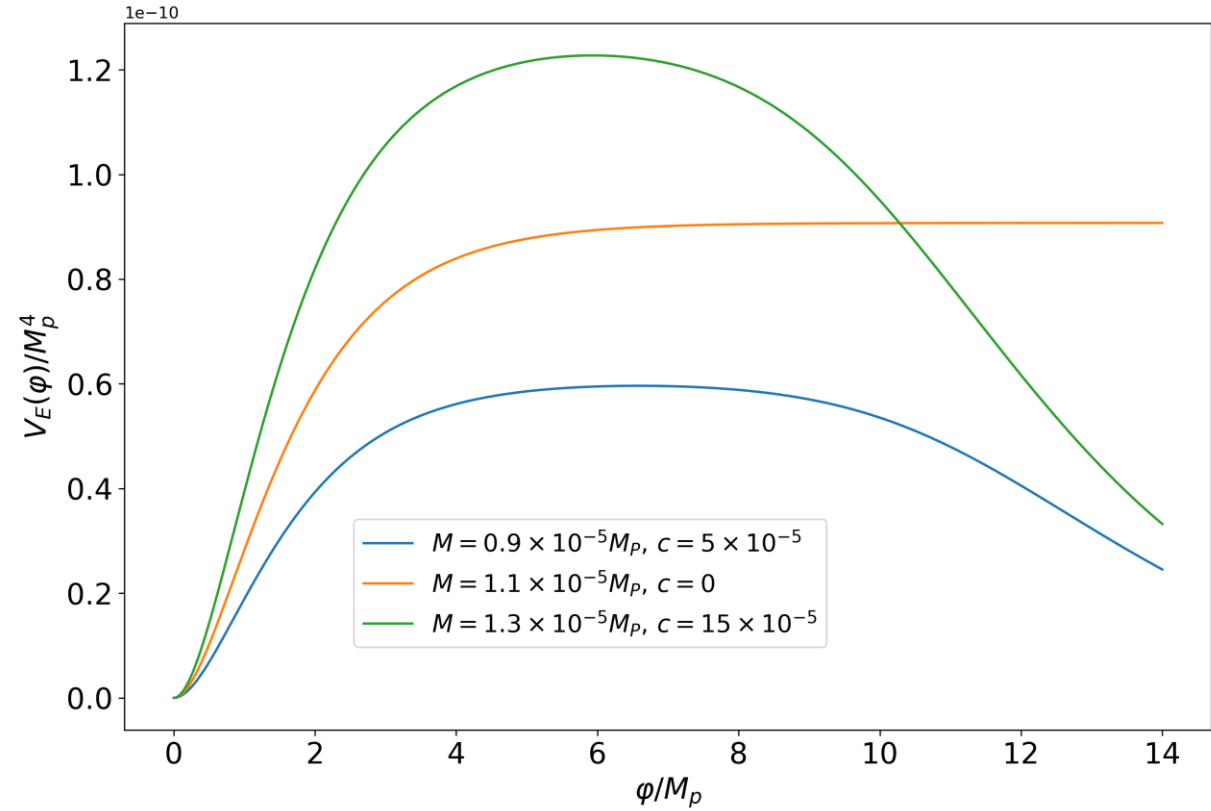
$$S_E = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g_E} \left[\frac{M_P^2}{2} R_E - \frac{1}{2} g_E^{\mu\nu} \nabla_\mu \varphi \nabla_\nu \varphi - V_E(\varphi) \right], \quad \varphi \equiv \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} M_P \ln \Omega^2$$

Inflaton Potential

$$e^{\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{\varphi}{M_P}} = 1 + \frac{1}{3M^2} s + \frac{c}{12M^4} s^2$$

$$\Rightarrow s(\varphi) = \begin{cases} \frac{2M^2}{c} \left\{ \sqrt{1 + 3c \left(e^{\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{\varphi}{M_P}} - 1 \right)} - 1 \right\}, & c > 0 \\ -3M^2 \left(1 - e^{\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \frac{\varphi}{M_P}} \right), & c = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$V_E(\varphi) = \frac{M_P^2 \left(3s^2(\varphi) + \frac{cs^3(\varphi)}{M^2} \right)}{36M^2 \left(1 + \frac{s(\varphi)}{3M^2} + \frac{cs^2(\varphi)}{12M^4} \right)^2}$$



Inflaton Potential

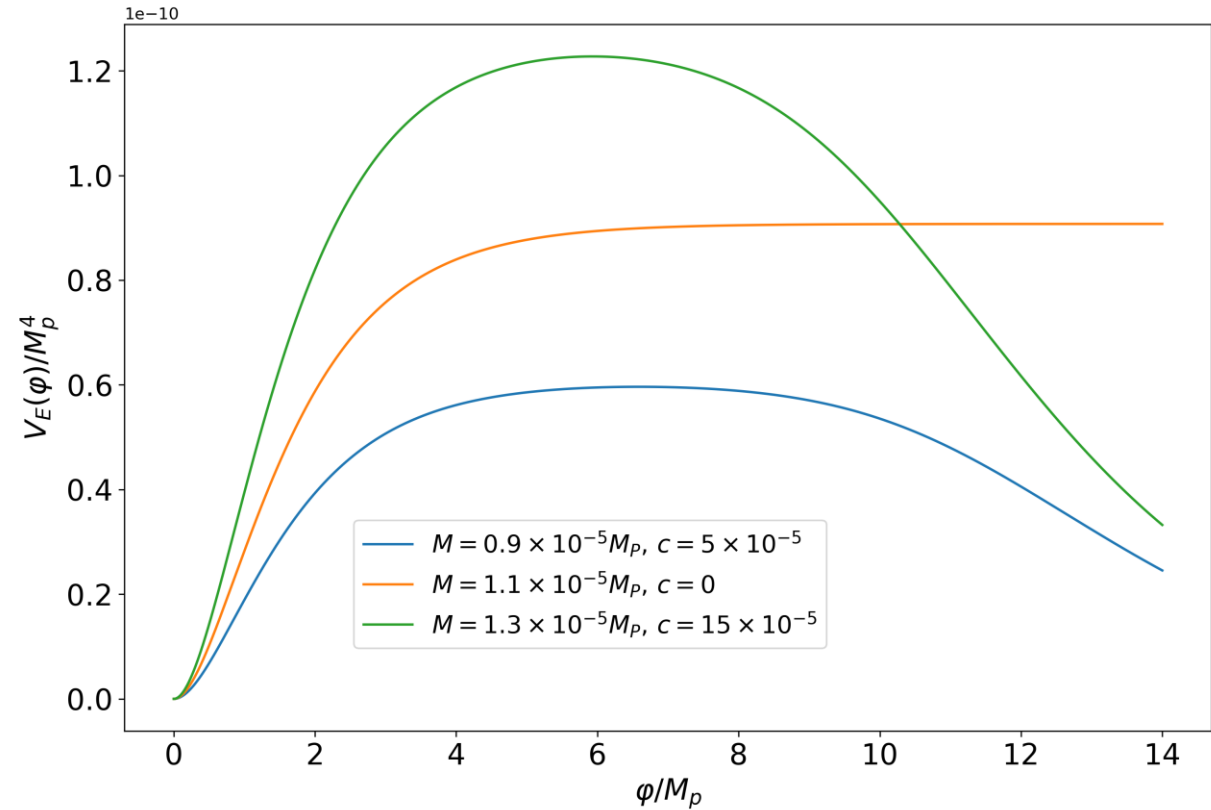
Reminder: How to get accelerated expansion

$$0 < \frac{\ddot{a}}{(\dot{a})^2} = -\frac{d}{dt}(aH)^{-1} = -\frac{1}{a} \left(1 + \frac{\dot{H}}{H^2} \right)$$

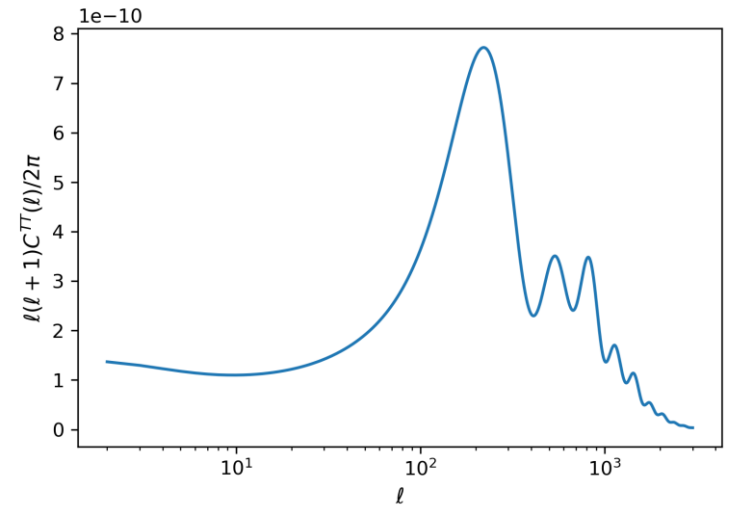
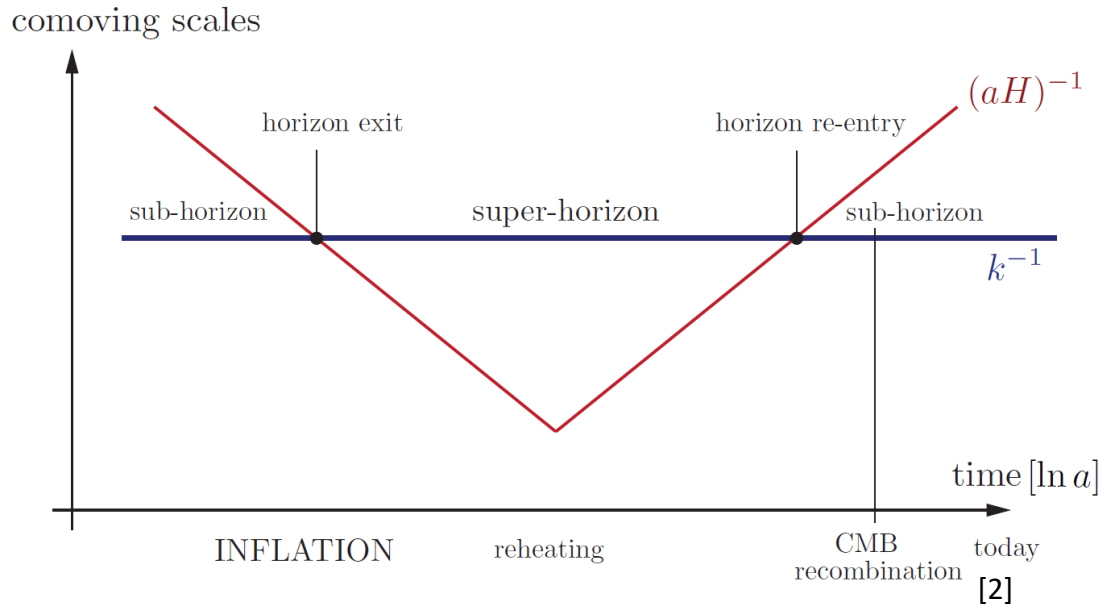
$$\Rightarrow 1 > -\frac{\dot{H}}{H^2} = \frac{3}{2} \left(1 + \frac{P}{\rho} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega = \frac{P}{\rho} = \frac{\frac{1}{2}\dot{\varphi}^2 - V(\varphi)}{\frac{1}{2}\dot{\varphi}^2 + V(\varphi)} < -\frac{1}{3}$$

Potential energy has to surpass kinetic energy



Contact with Observations

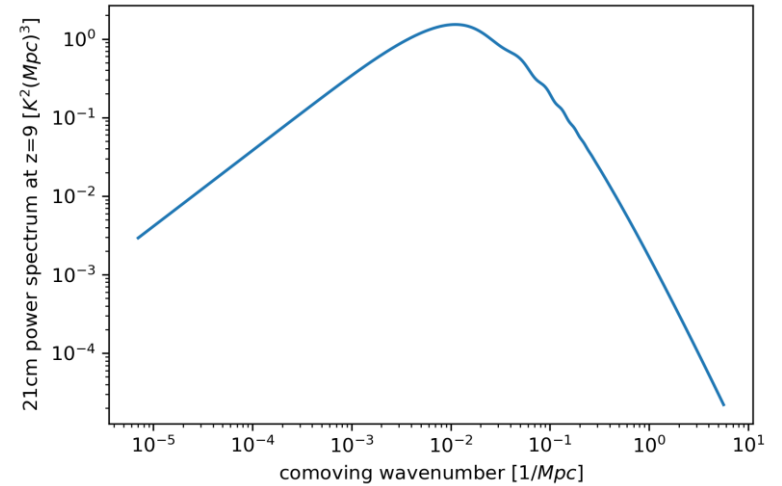


$P_\delta(k)$

CLASS^[3]

$P_R(k)$

Quantum fluctuations in φ



² Baumann: TASI Lectures on Inflation, arXiv:0907.5424v2

³ The Cosmic Linear Anisotropy Solving System (CLASS), arXiv:1104.2932

21 cm intensity mapping

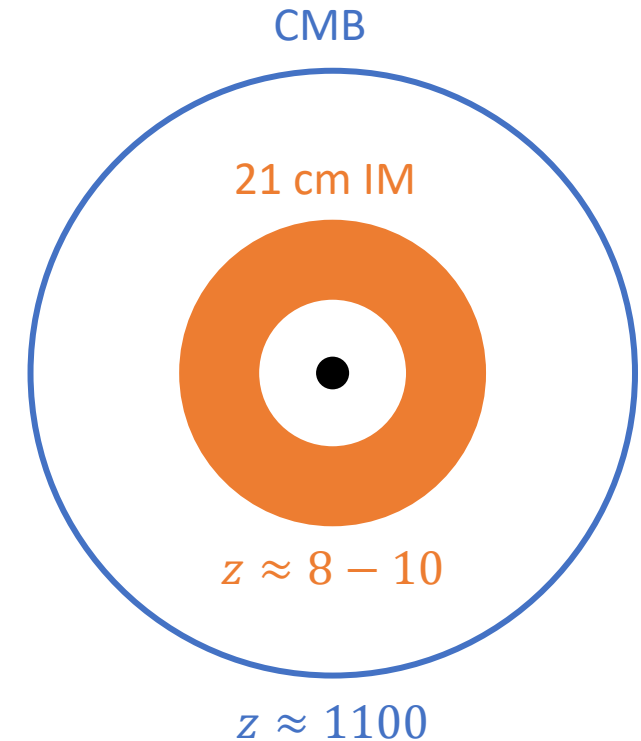
- Matter distribution at high redshift: $z = 8 - 10$

Simple reionization
history

No position dependence
of the spin temperature

- Measure 21cm hyperfine transition
- Find power spectrum
- 21cm power spectrum traces DM power spectrum

$$P_{21}(k) \Rightarrow P_{\delta}(k)$$

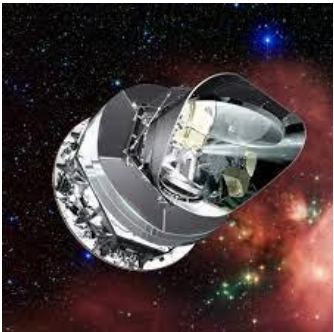


Experiments

Past

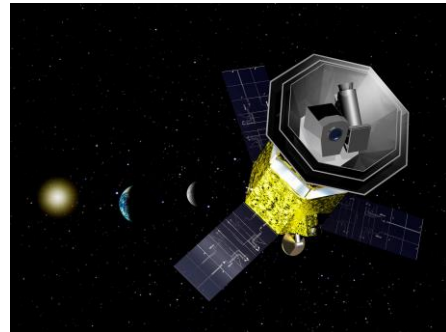
Future

Planck



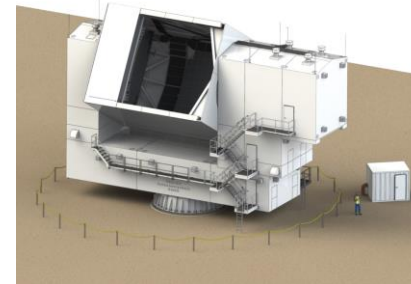
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LITEbird



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CMB-S4



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Square Kilometre Array (SKA)



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- Satellite CMB experiment

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- Highest sensitivity for $2 < \ell < 1350$

- Ground-based CMB experiment
- Highest sensitivity for $30 < \ell < 3000$

- Ground-based
- 2 radio telescope arrays
- Observes large scale structure

⁴ https://www.nasa.gov/mission_pages/planck

⁵ <https://www.nist.gov/measuring-cosmos/litebird>

⁶ <https://cmb-s4.org/experiment/telescopes/>

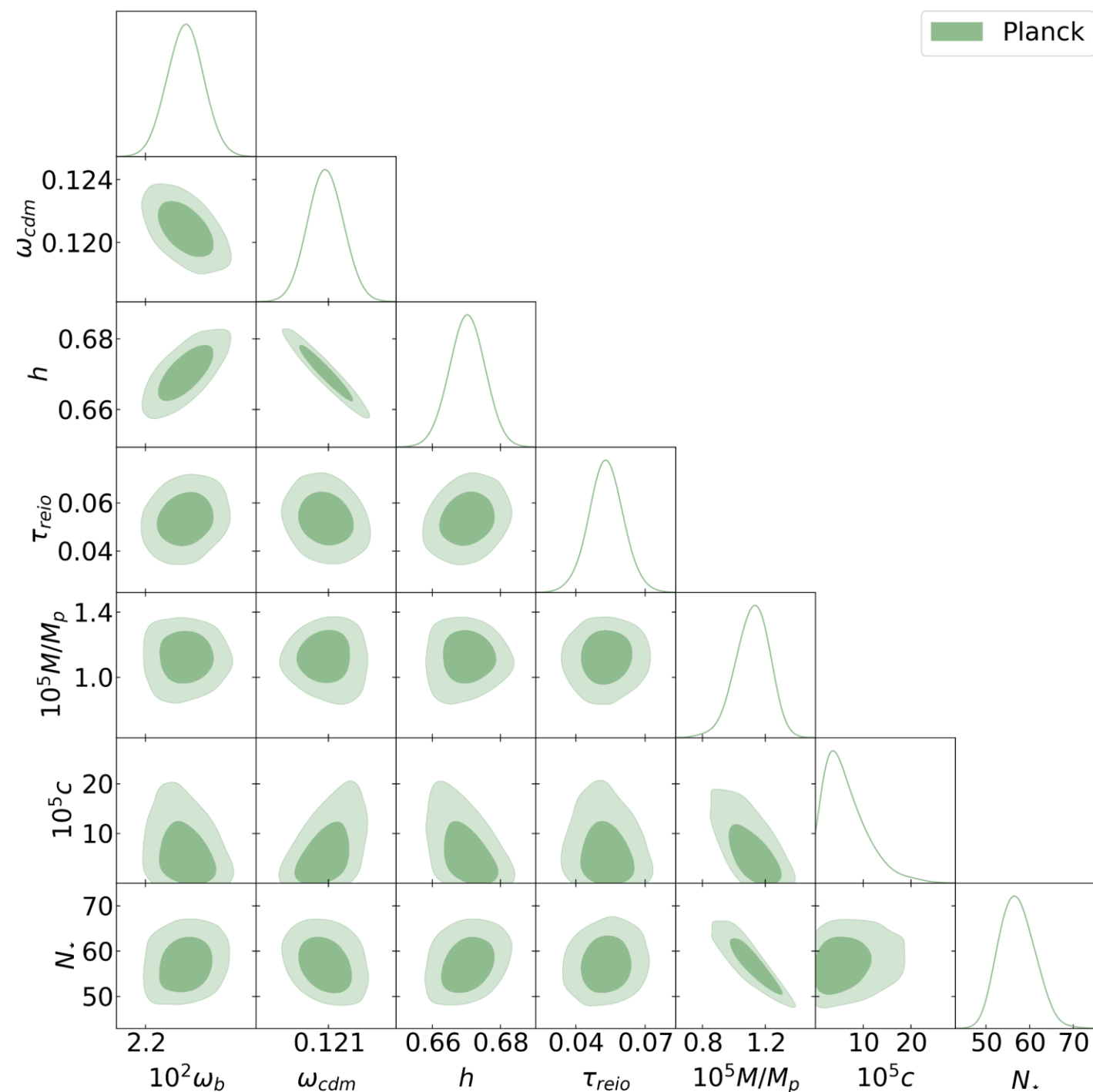
⁷ <https://www.skao.int/en/explore/telescopes>

Results

Method:

- Sample the parameter-set $\{\omega_b, \omega_{cdm}, h, \tau_{reio}, M, c, N_\star\}$
- Calculate observables with CLASS
- Add gaussian prior with $\mu = 55, \sigma = 5$ for N_\star
- Use MCMC-tool MontePython ^[8] to get posterior

Parameter	95% limits
$10^5 M/M_p$	$1.12^{+0.21}_{-0.22}$
$10^5 c$	$6.1^{+9.9}_{-6.1}$
N_\star	57^{+8}_{-8}

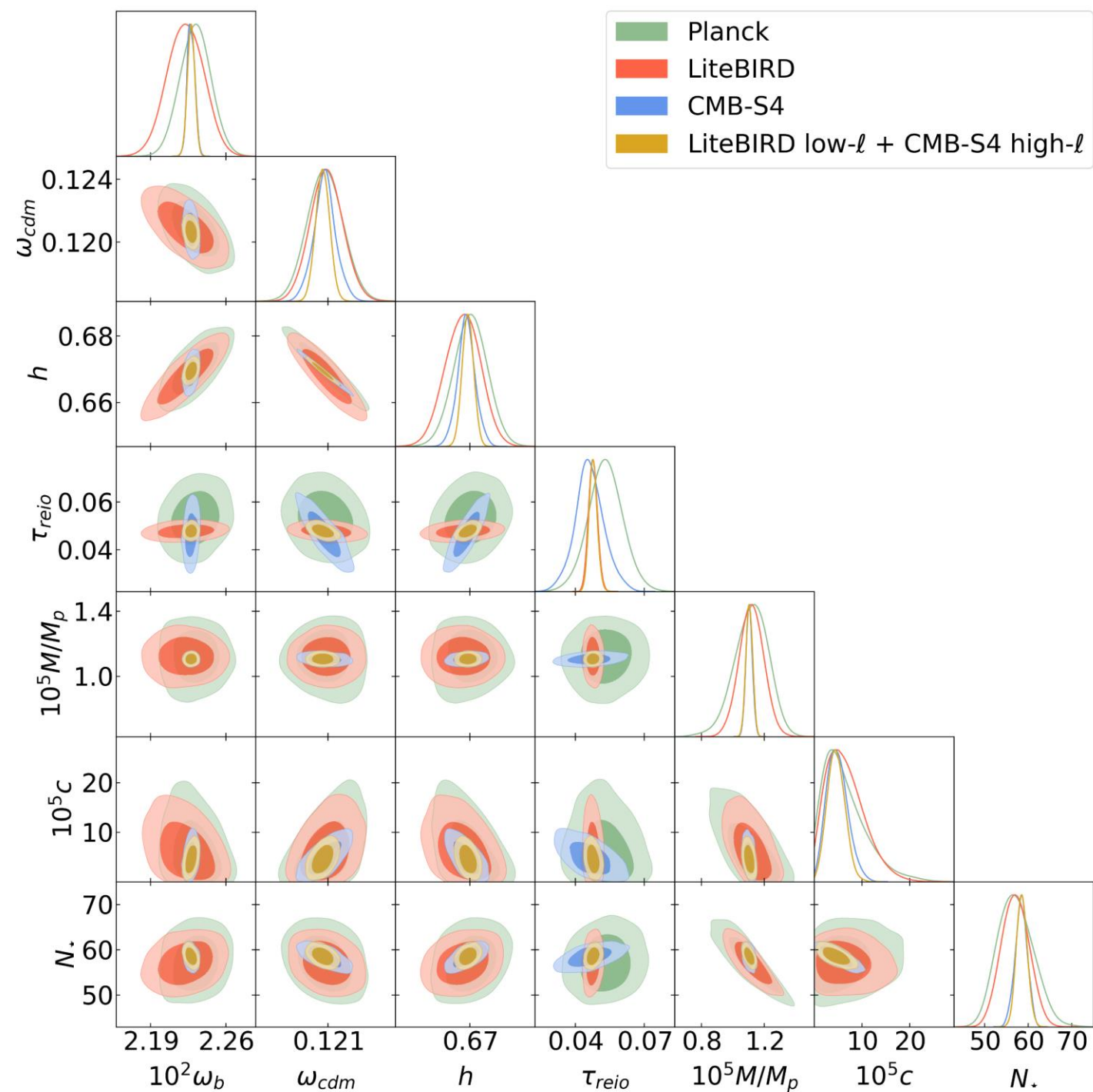


Forecasts - CMB

Use Planck best-fit value as fiducial value for forecasts



Next generation CMB experiments can exclude $c = 0$, if $c > 4 \cdot 10^{-5}$

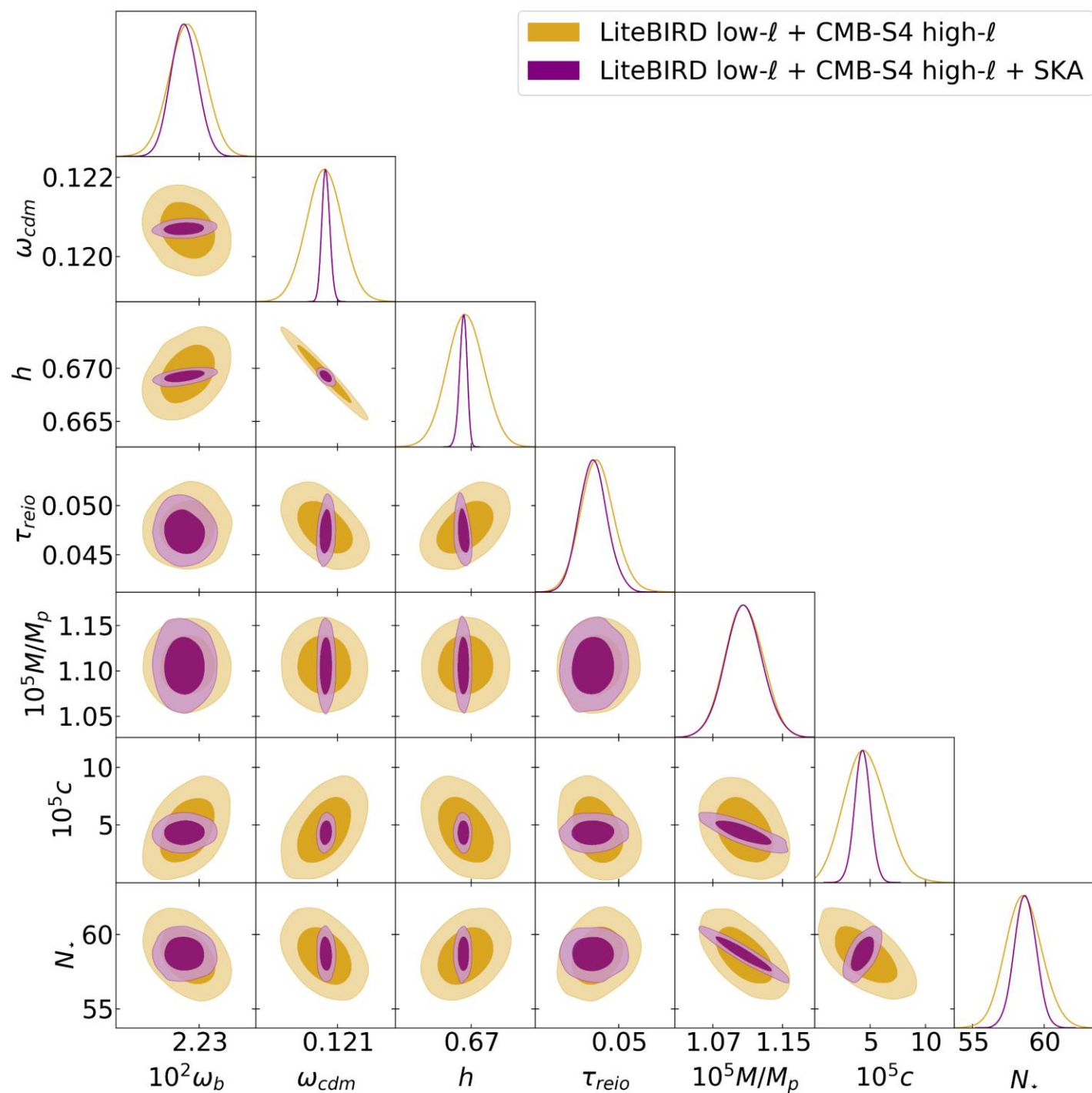


Forecasts - SKA

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Summary

- Extending Starobinsky-inflation to third-order $f(R)$ -gravity is natural
- Best-fit to the Planck measurements is for $c = 4.315 \cdot 10^{-5}$
- Combination of next generation CMB and 21cm experiments could exclude $c = 0$

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