



From the Dark Ages to Reionization with CMB-S4

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The epoch of reionization is mostly uncharted territory

what we know

Universe significantly ionized at $z < 6$ (**quasar spectra**)

Universe significantly neutral at $z > 10$ (**large-scale CMB polarization**)

Driven by ionizing radiation from stars (**high- z galaxy and AGN luminosity functions**)

Characterized by ionized bubbles a few to hundreds of comoving Mpc across (**extrapolation**)

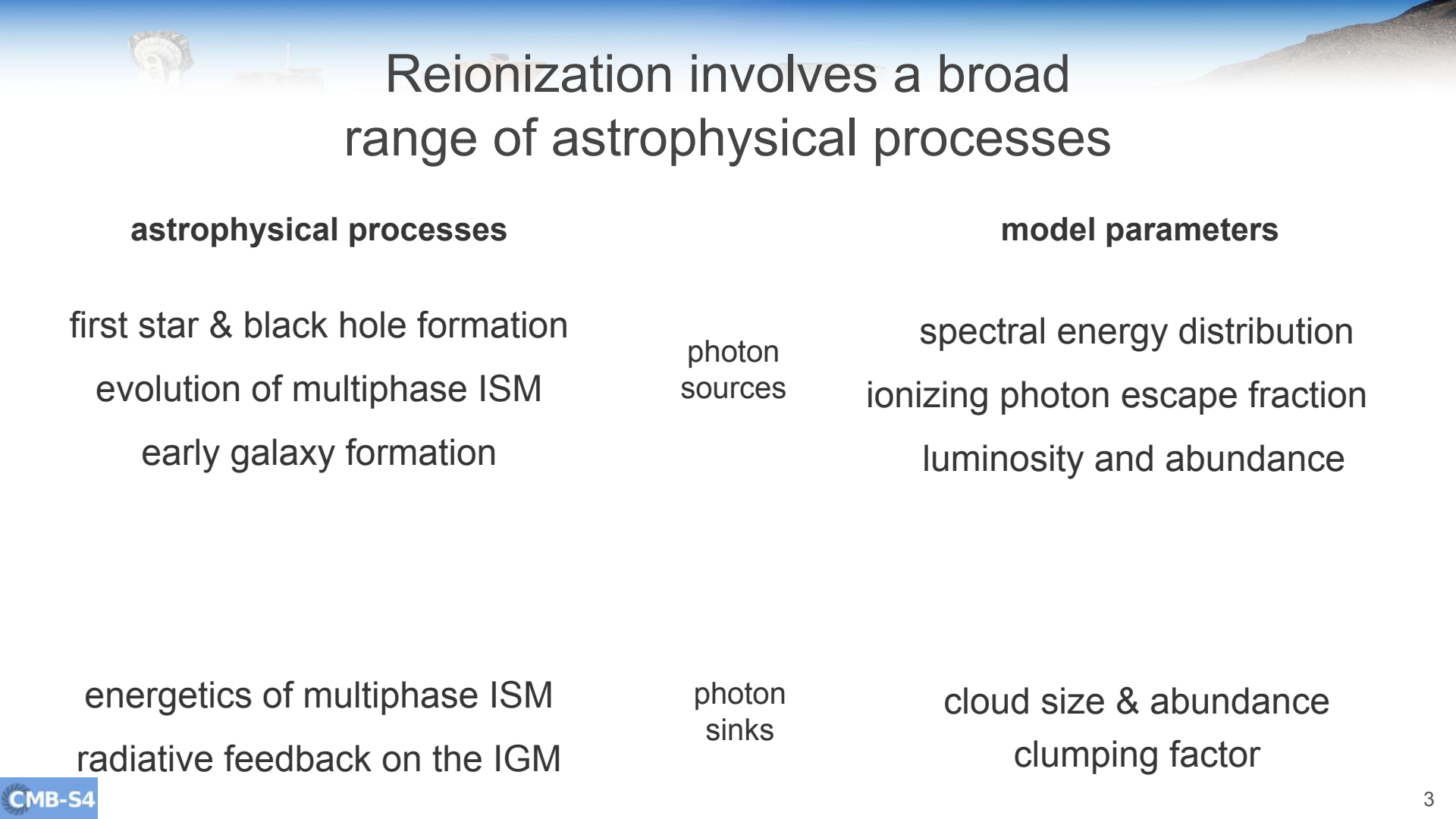
what we don't know

What was the mean ionized fraction vs redshift, i.e. the *reionization history*?

How did the sizes and morphologies of the ionized bubbles change with time?

What were the sources of reionization, and how do they differ from galaxies observed later?

How did the first supermassive black holes, with masses as large as $10^9 M_{\text{sun}}$, form?



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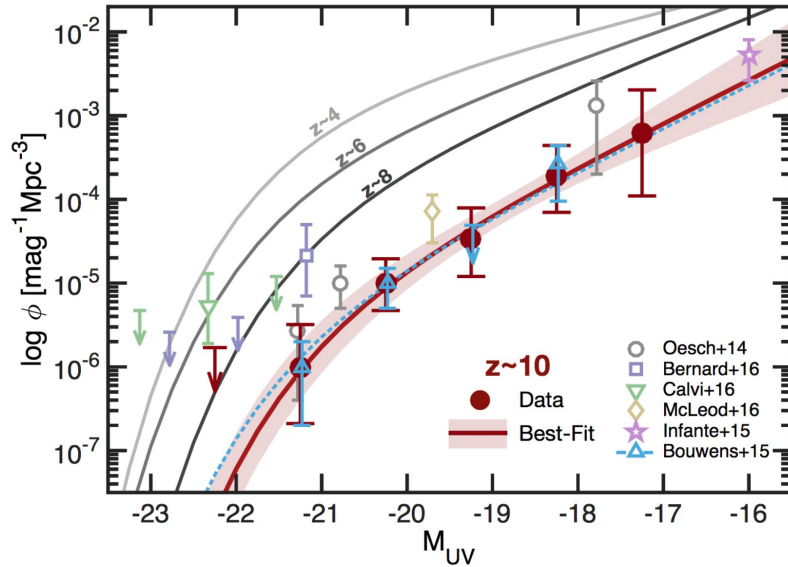
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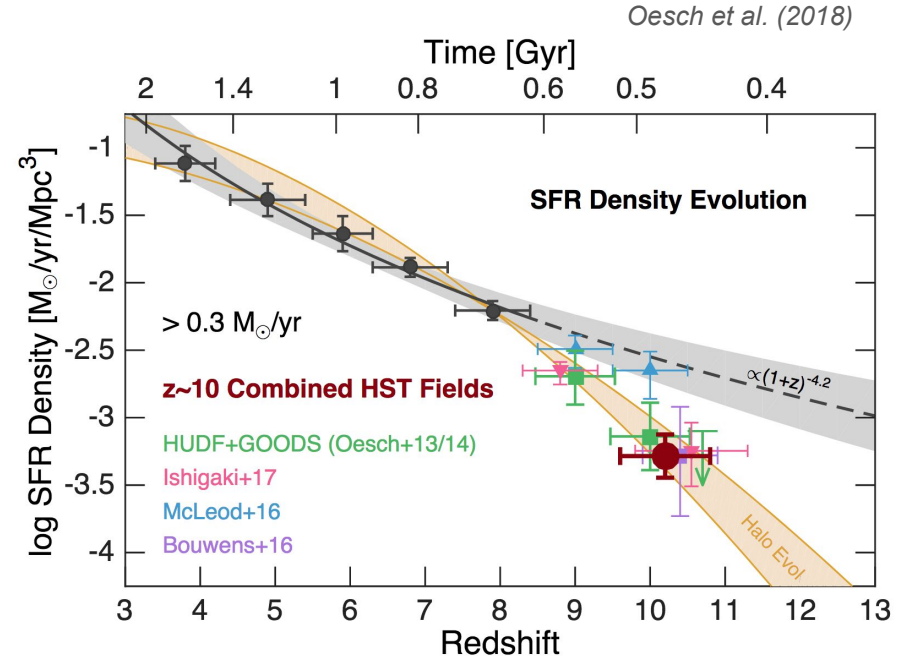
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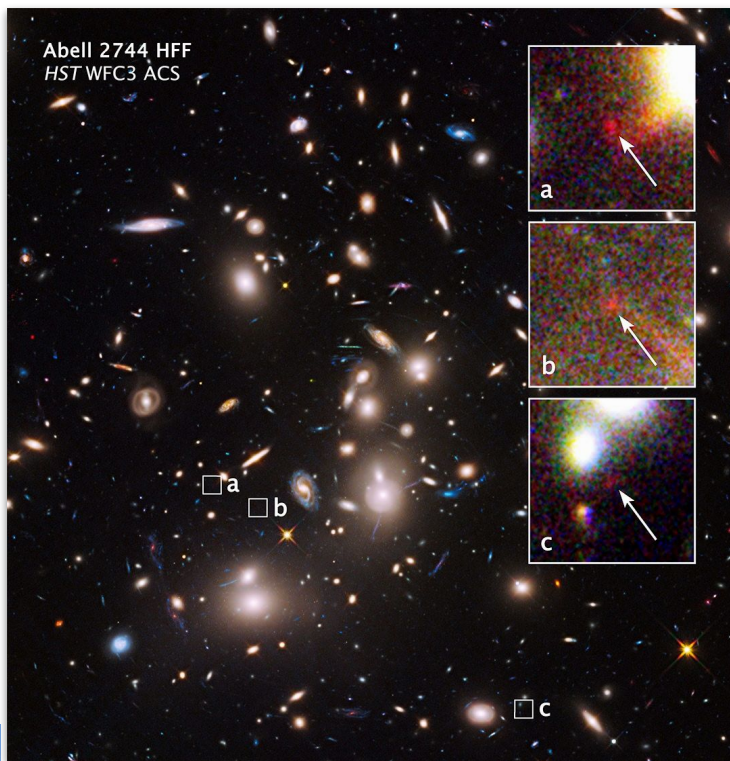
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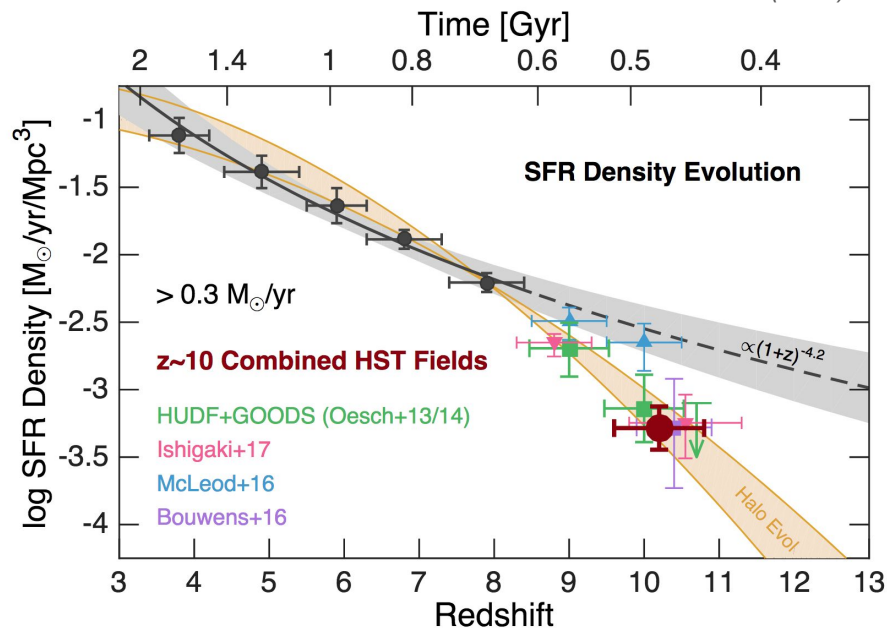
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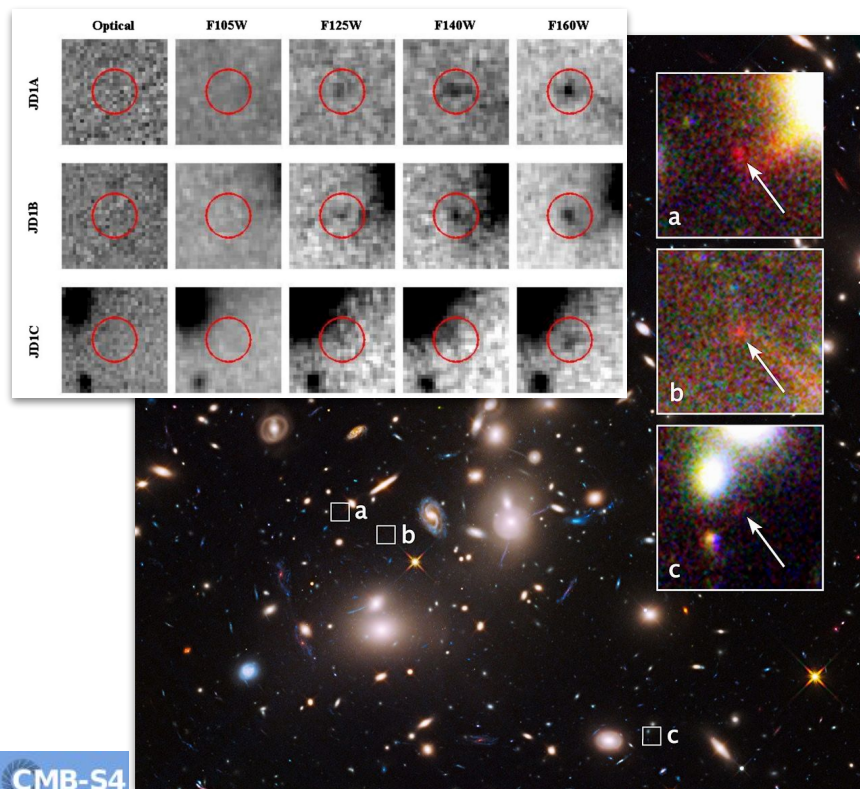


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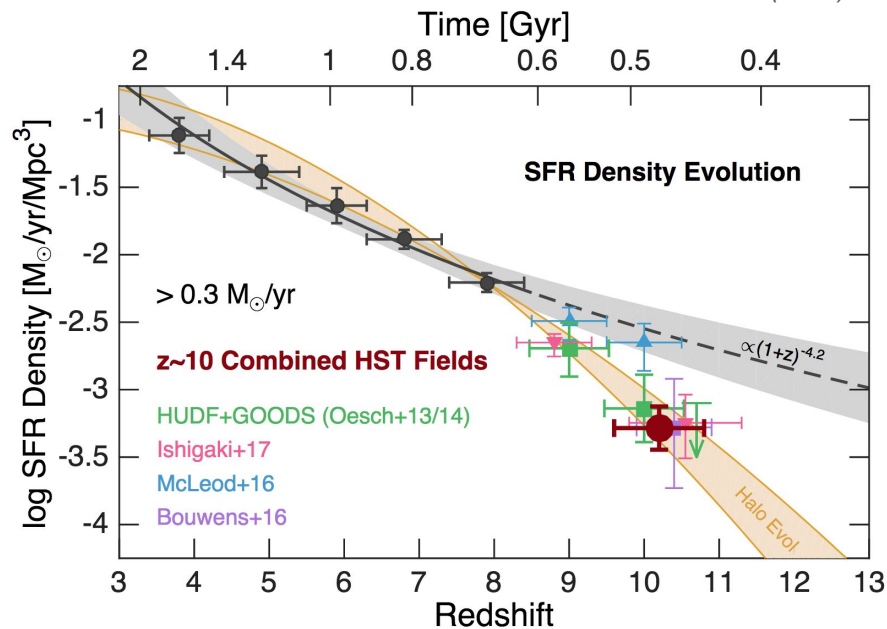


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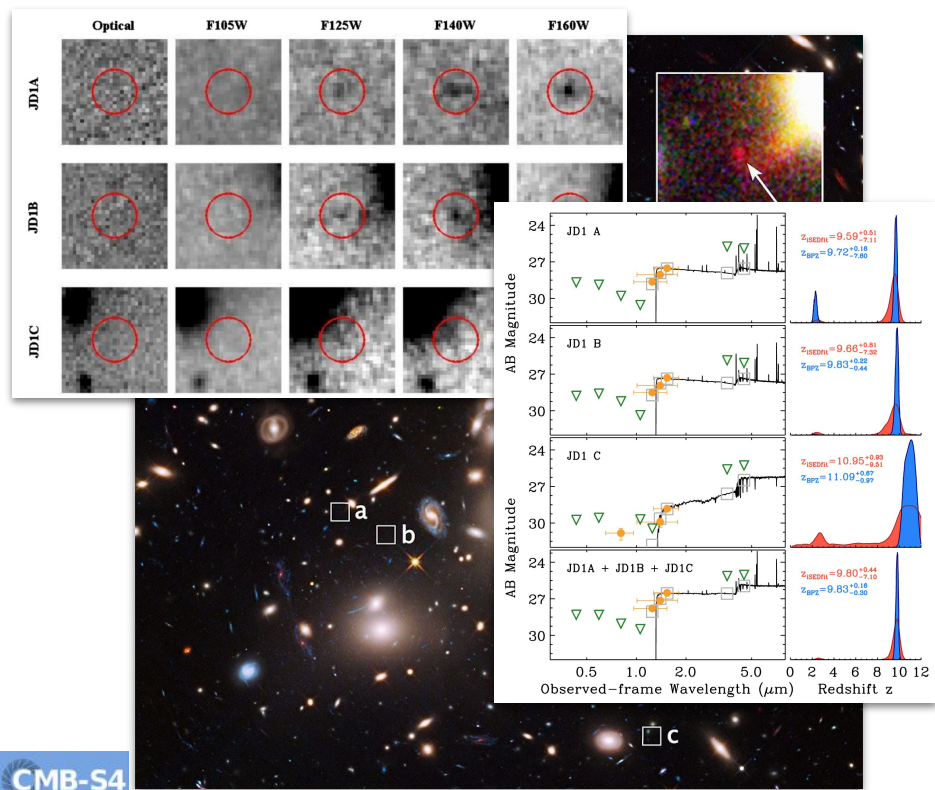


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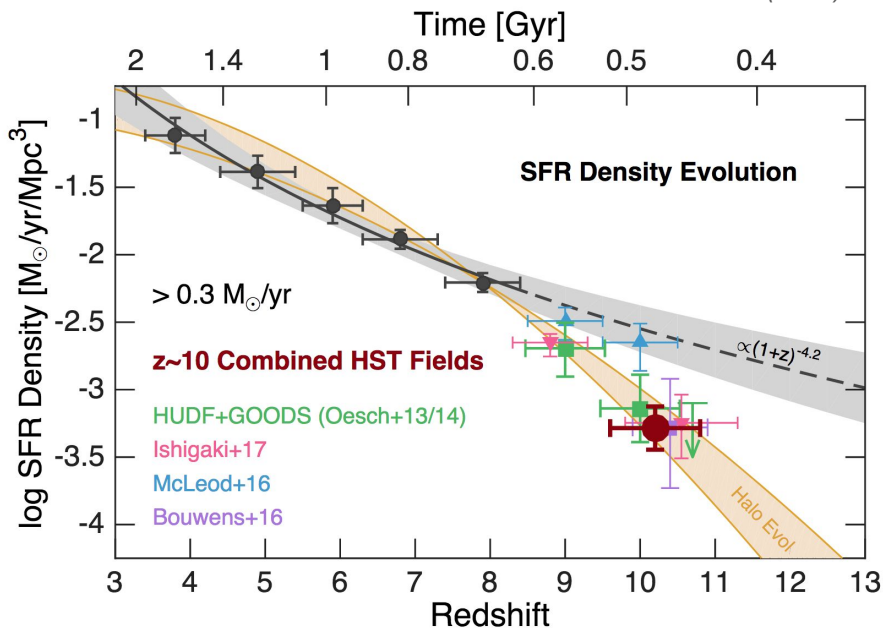


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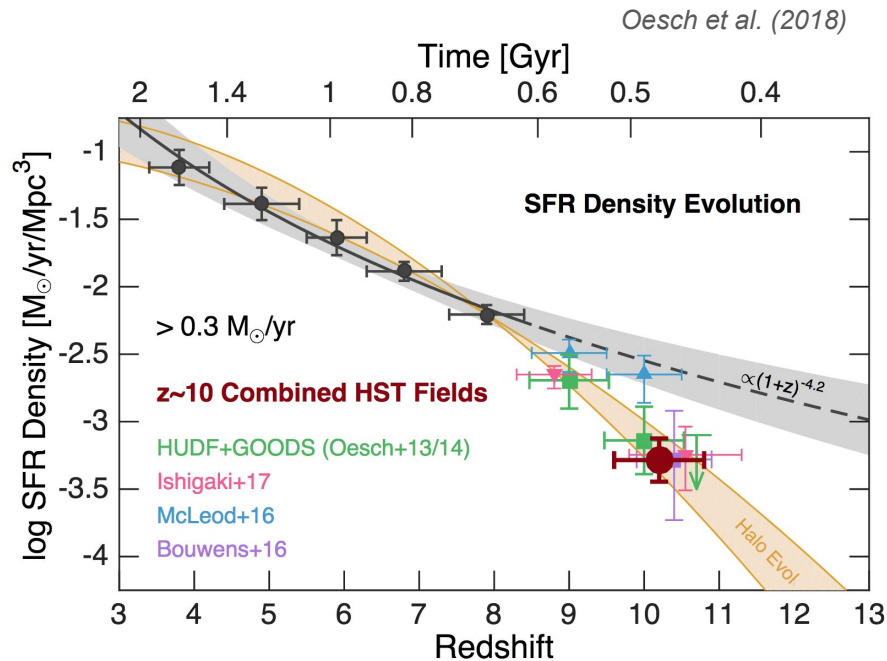
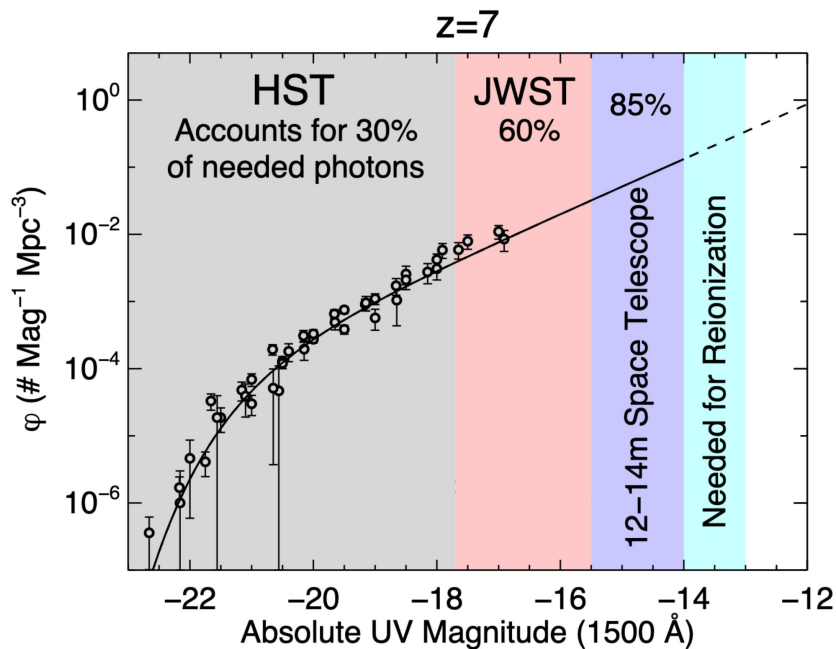
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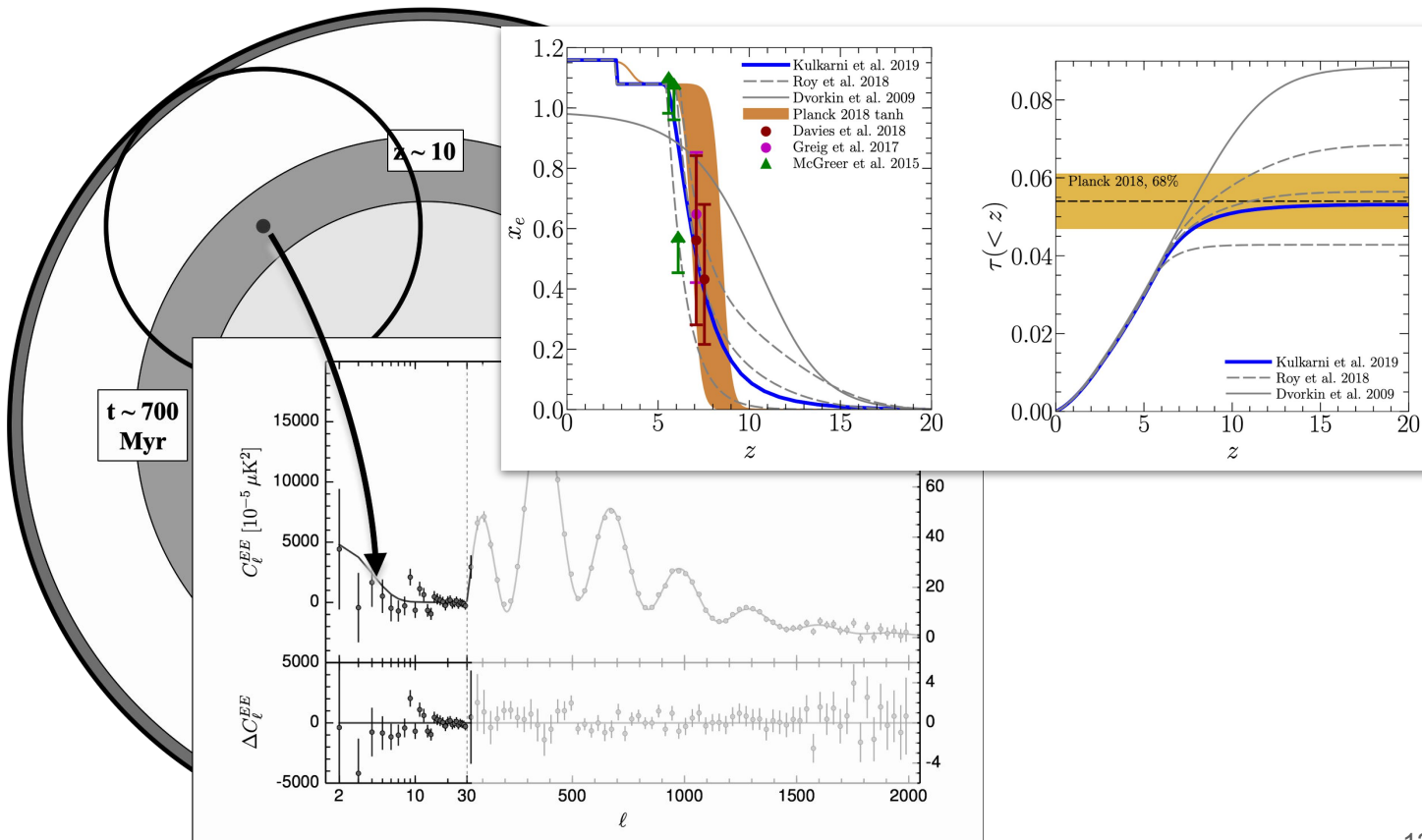
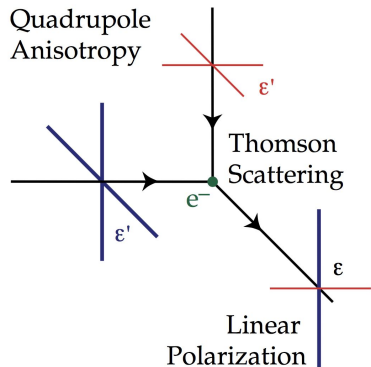
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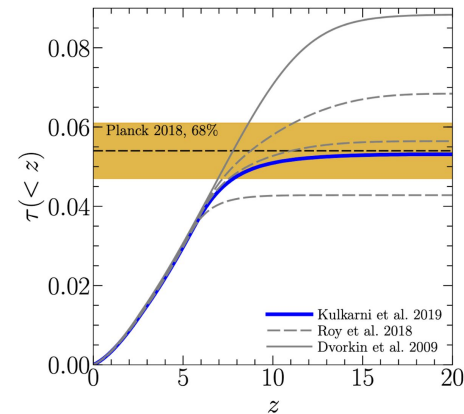
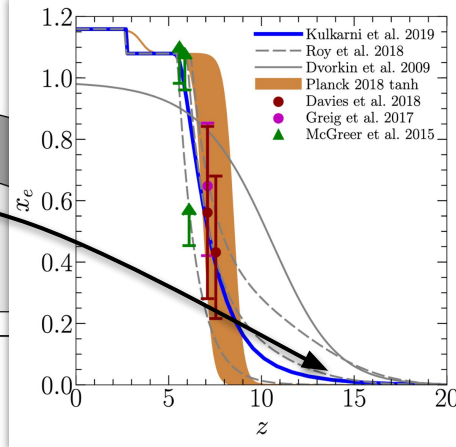
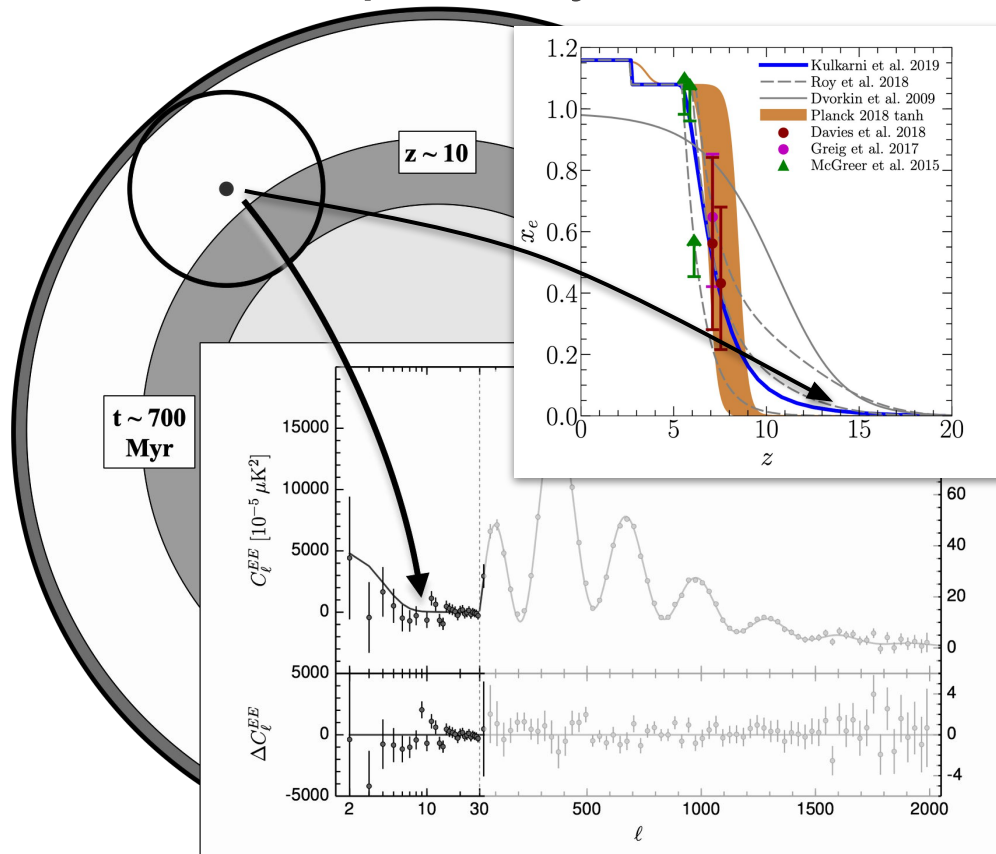
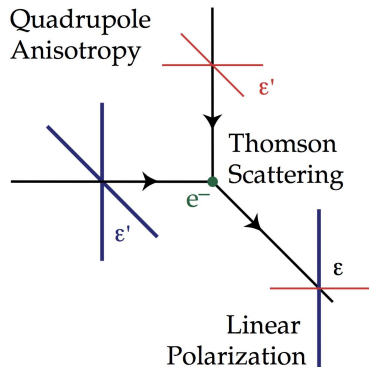
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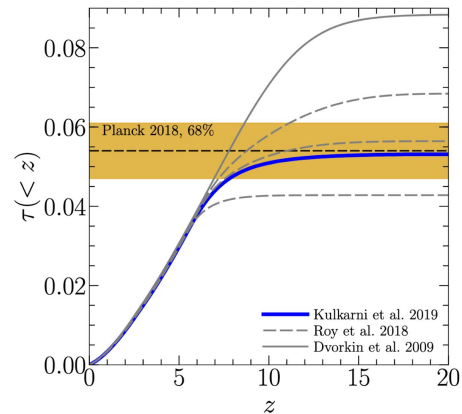
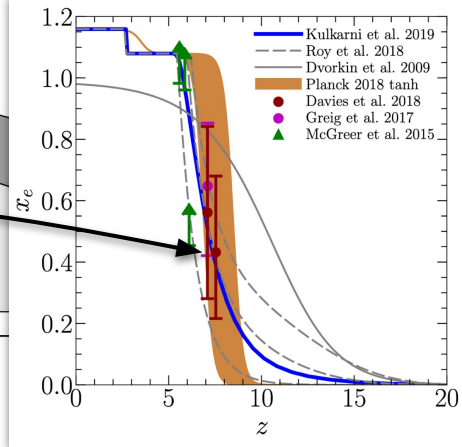
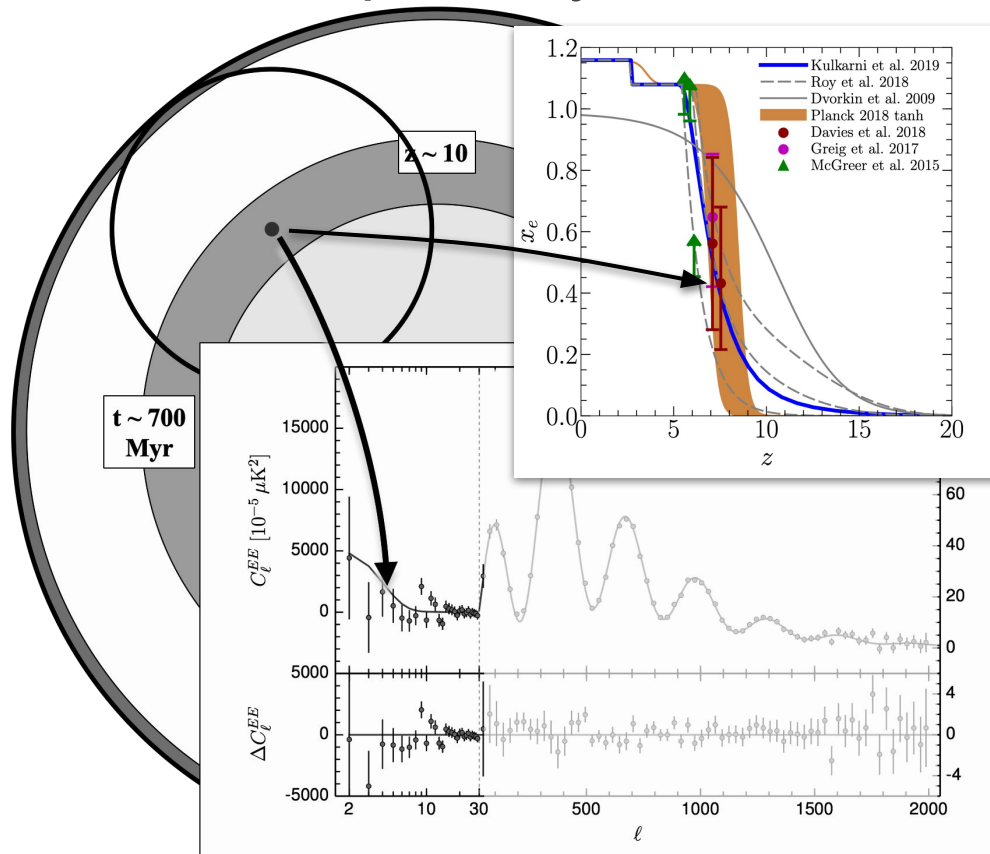
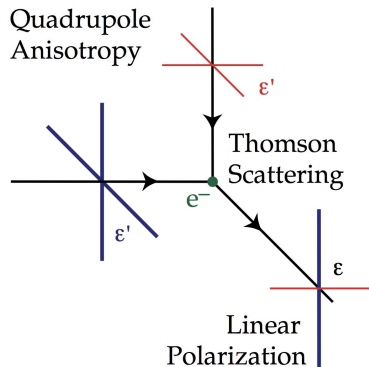


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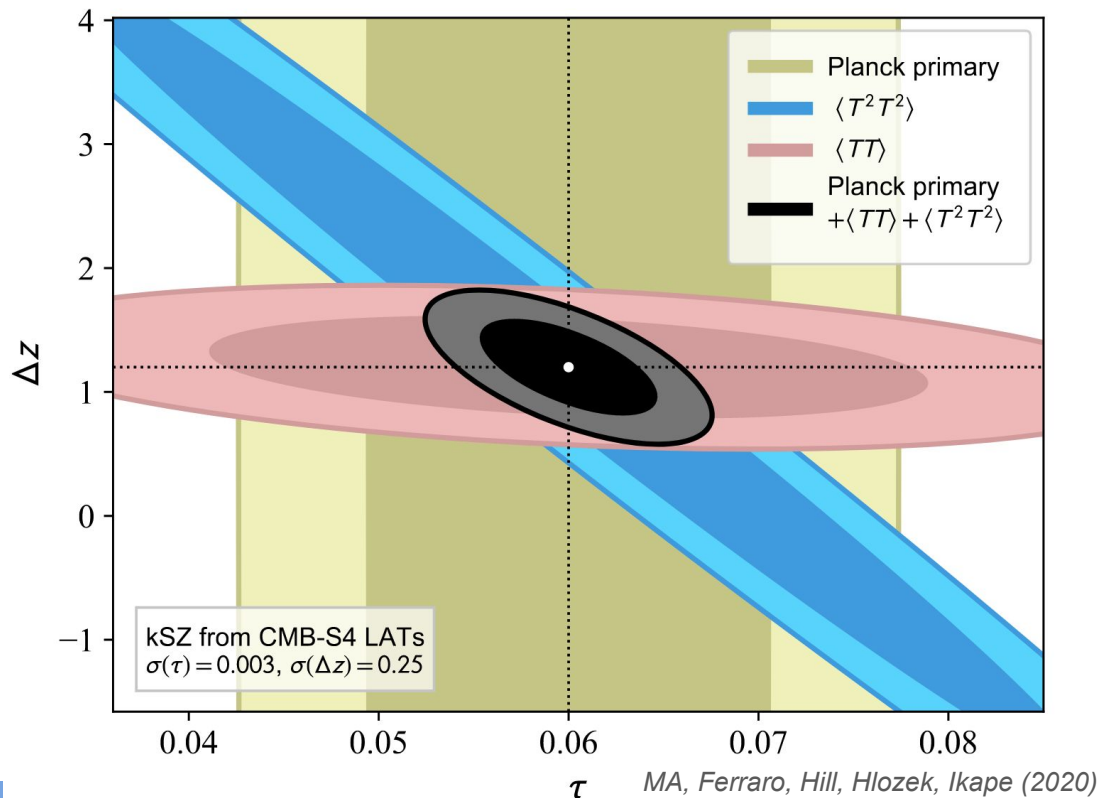
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CMB-S4 has the statistical power to constrain the optical depth to $\sim 5\%$ accuracy

assuming we can model patchiness well enough and that non-patchy contribution is negligible.

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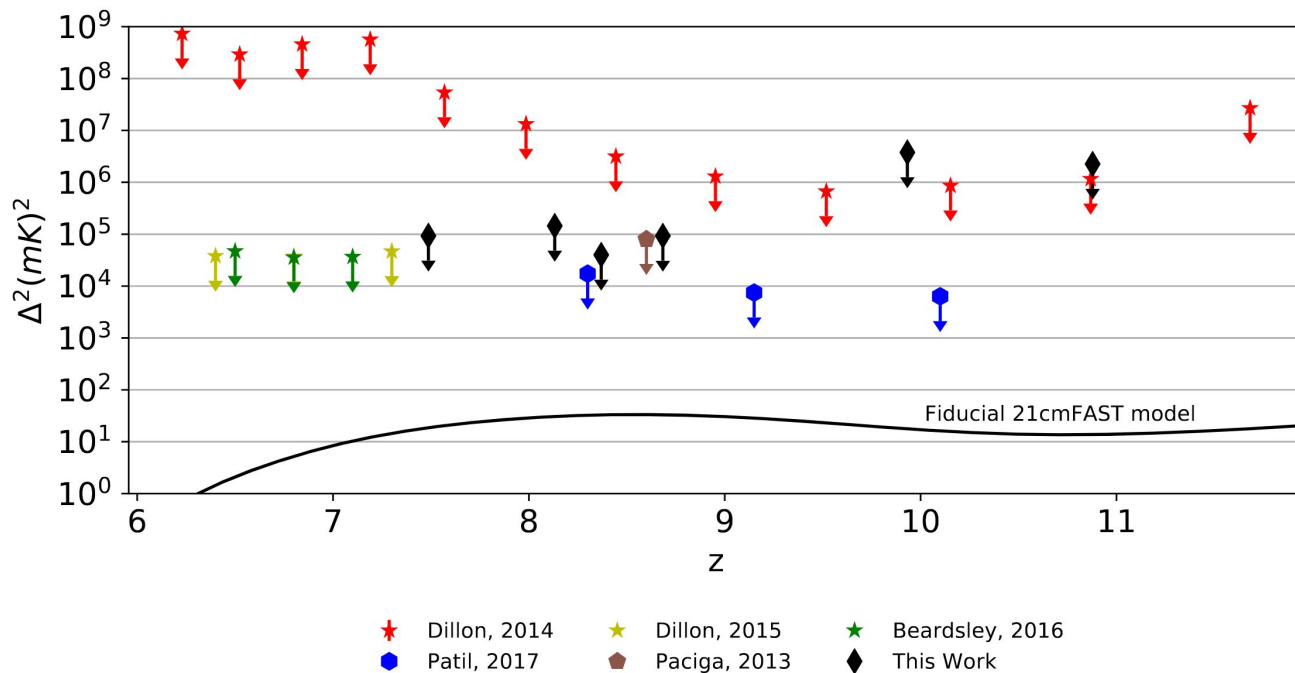
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Radio interferometers such as HERA and SKA search for the 21cm signal from reionization at $\sim 100 - 200$ MHz

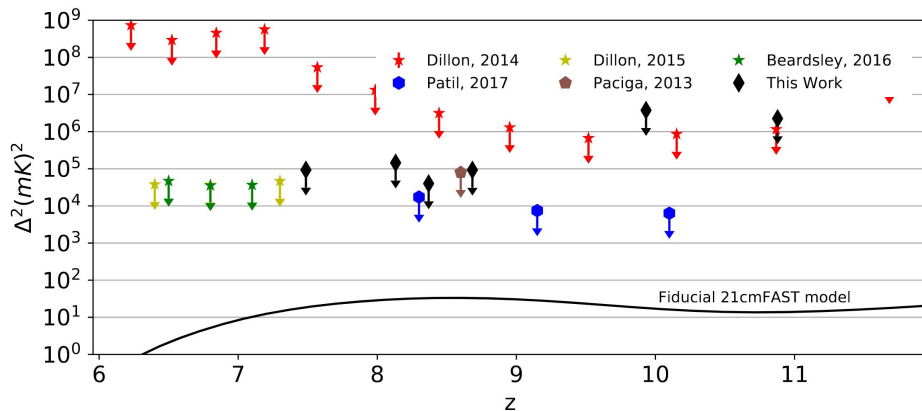
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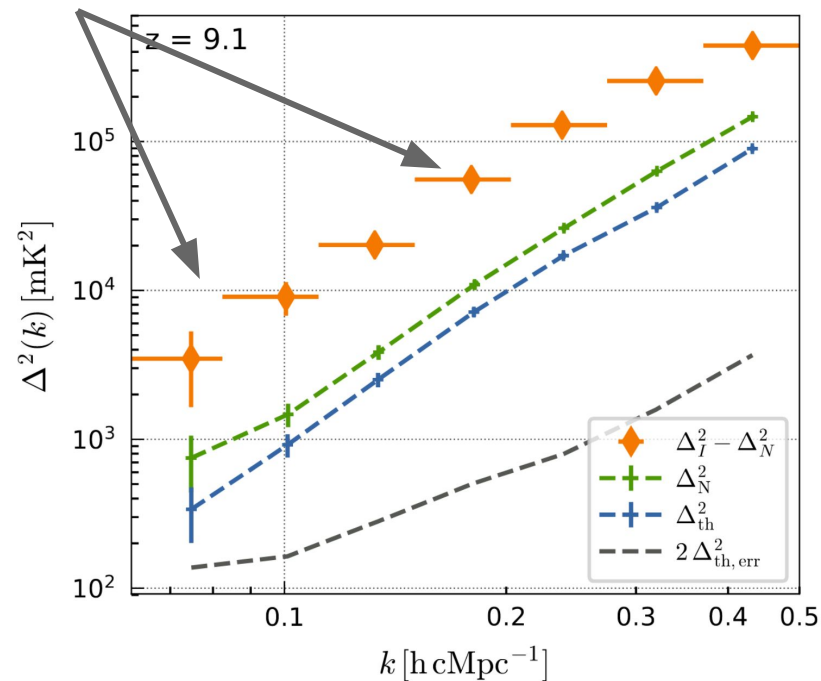
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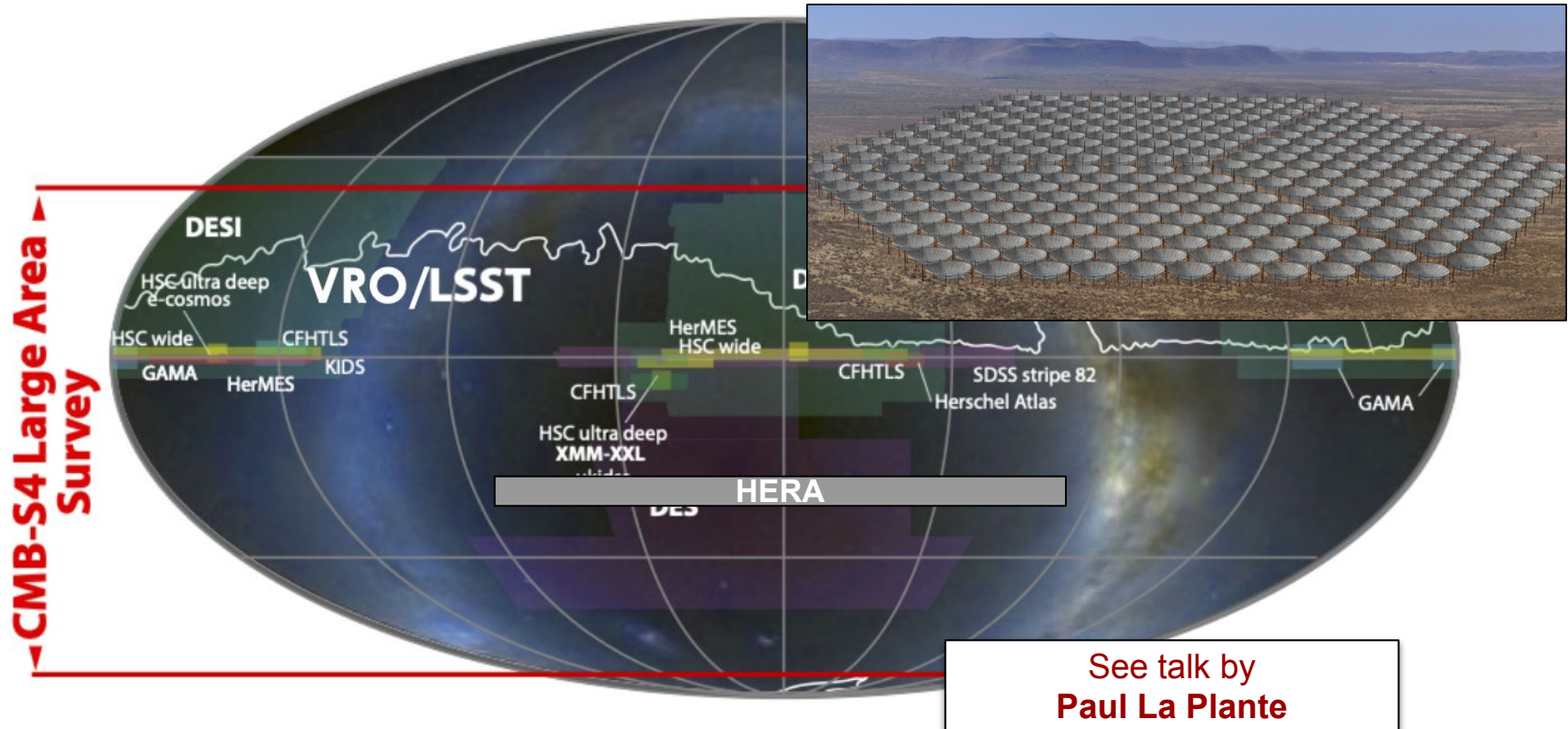


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The CMB-S4 large area survey overlaps with 21cm surveys: is there a detectable cross-correlation?





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