

# Primordial non-Gaussianities

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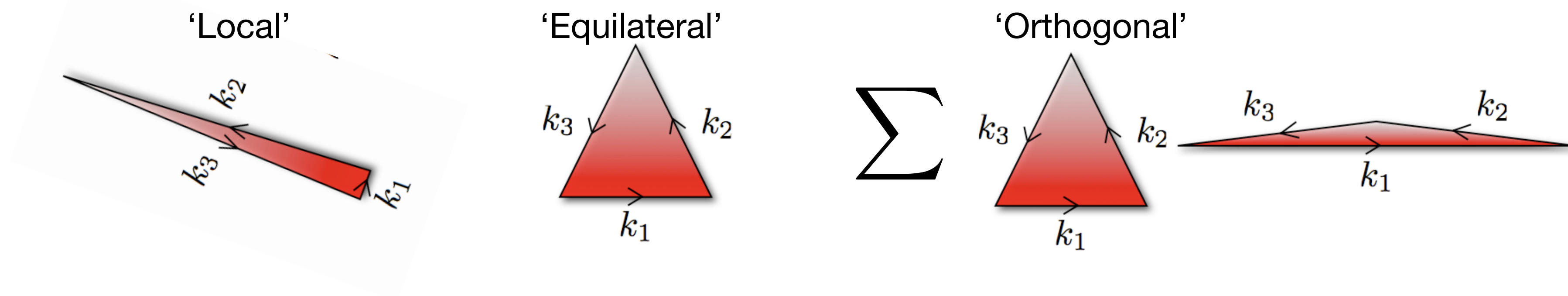
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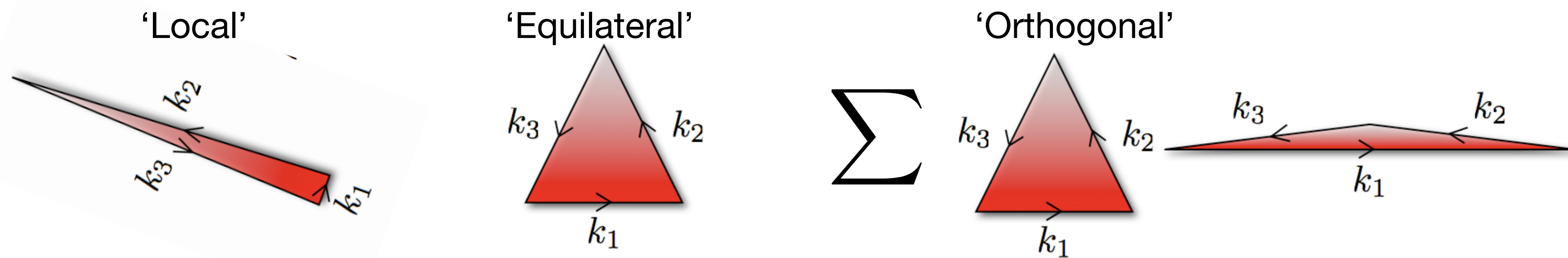
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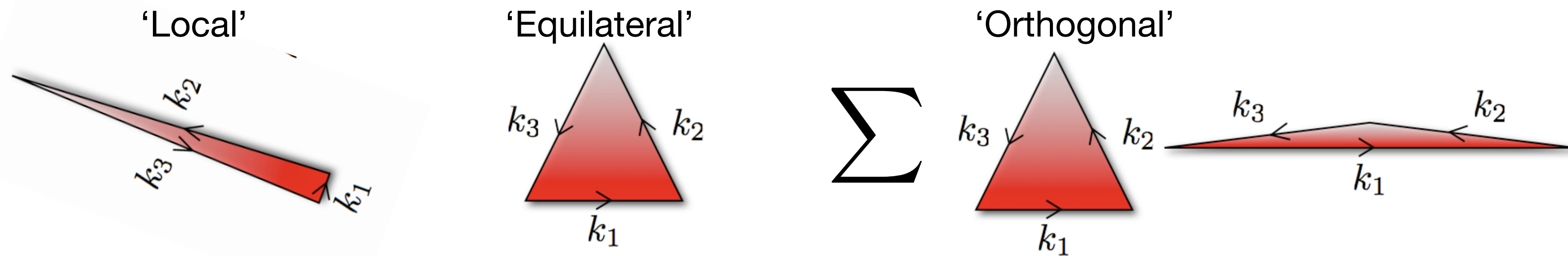
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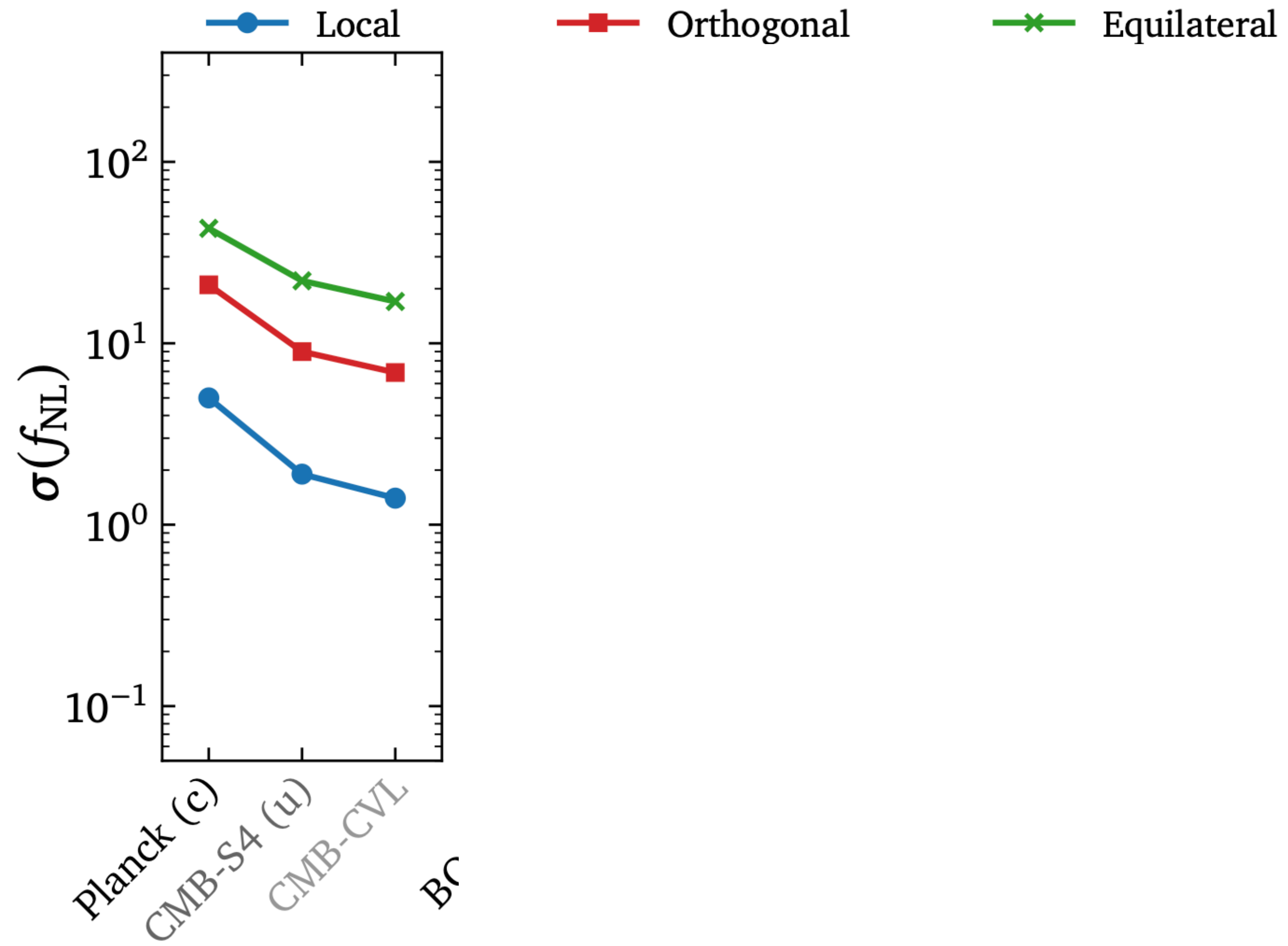


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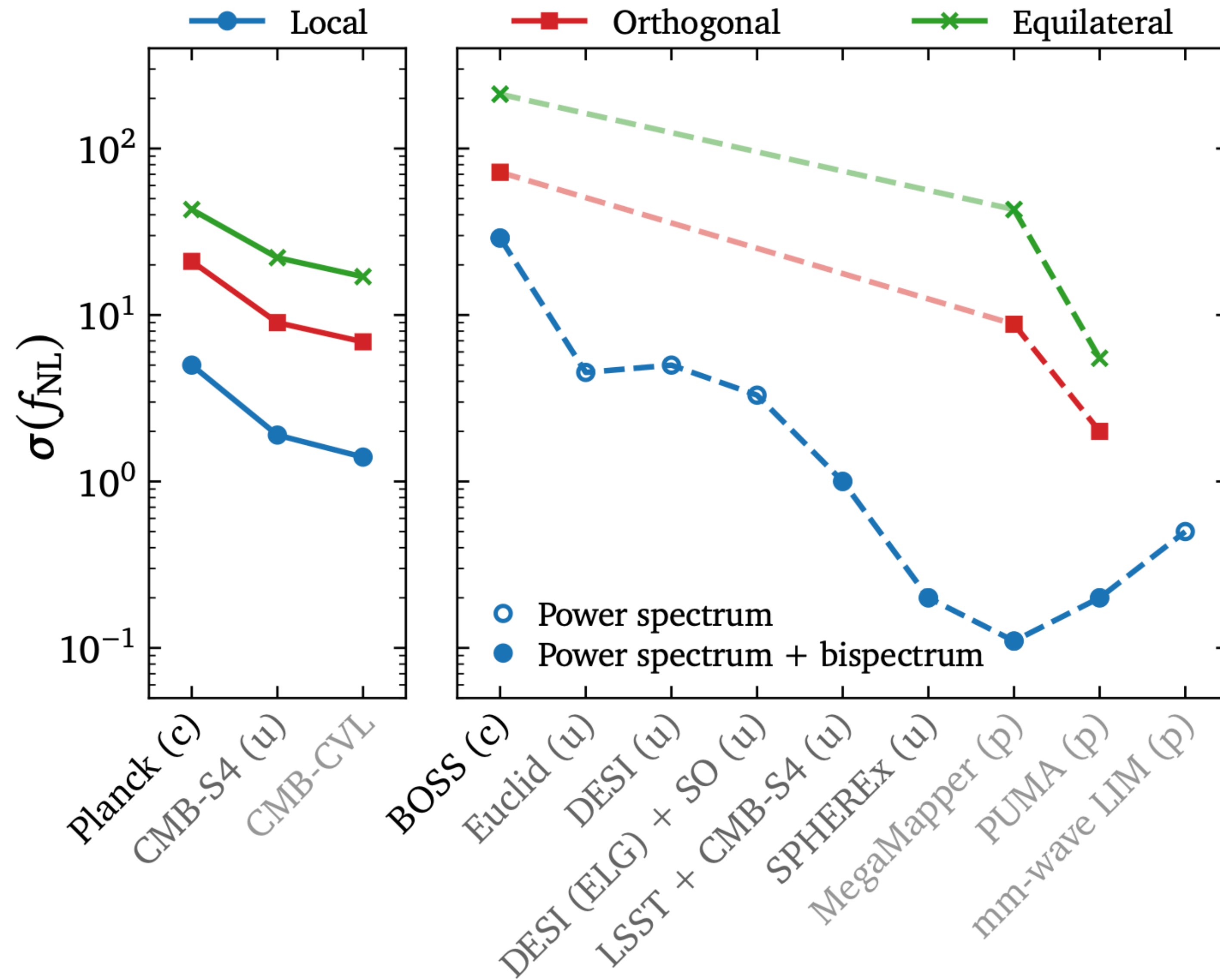
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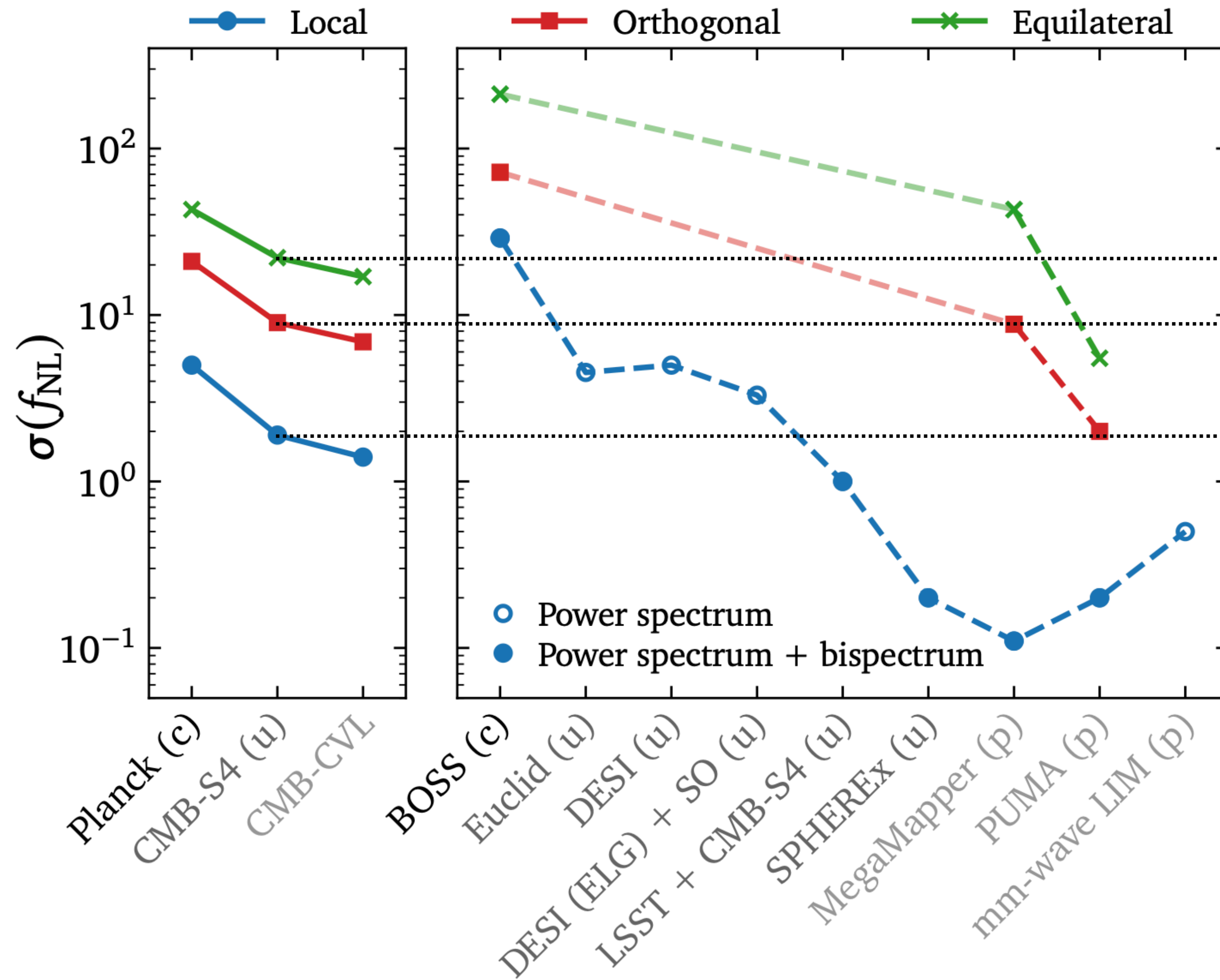
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- Main **take-away**  $f_{\text{NL}} \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$  typically presents theoretically compelling threshold





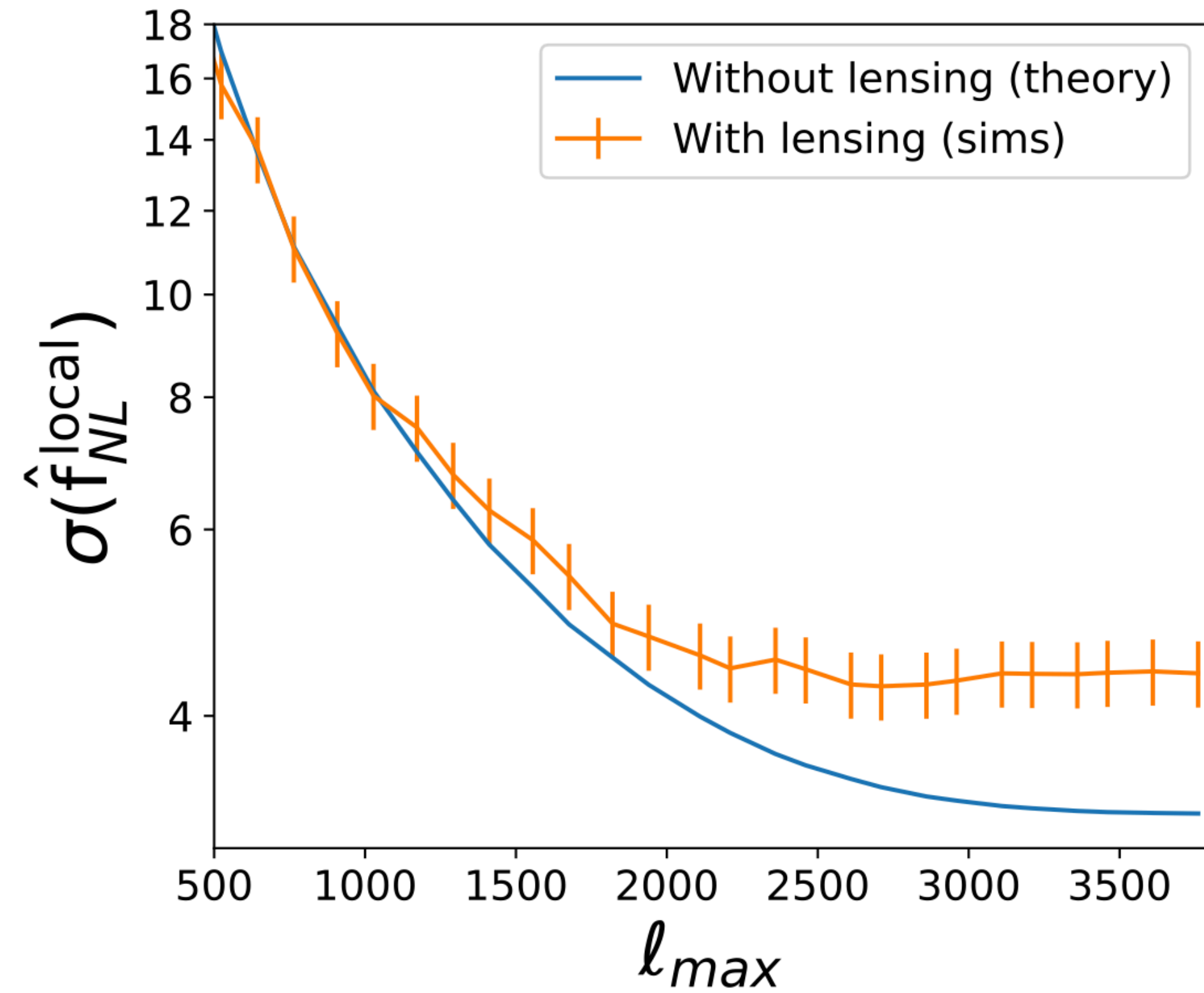




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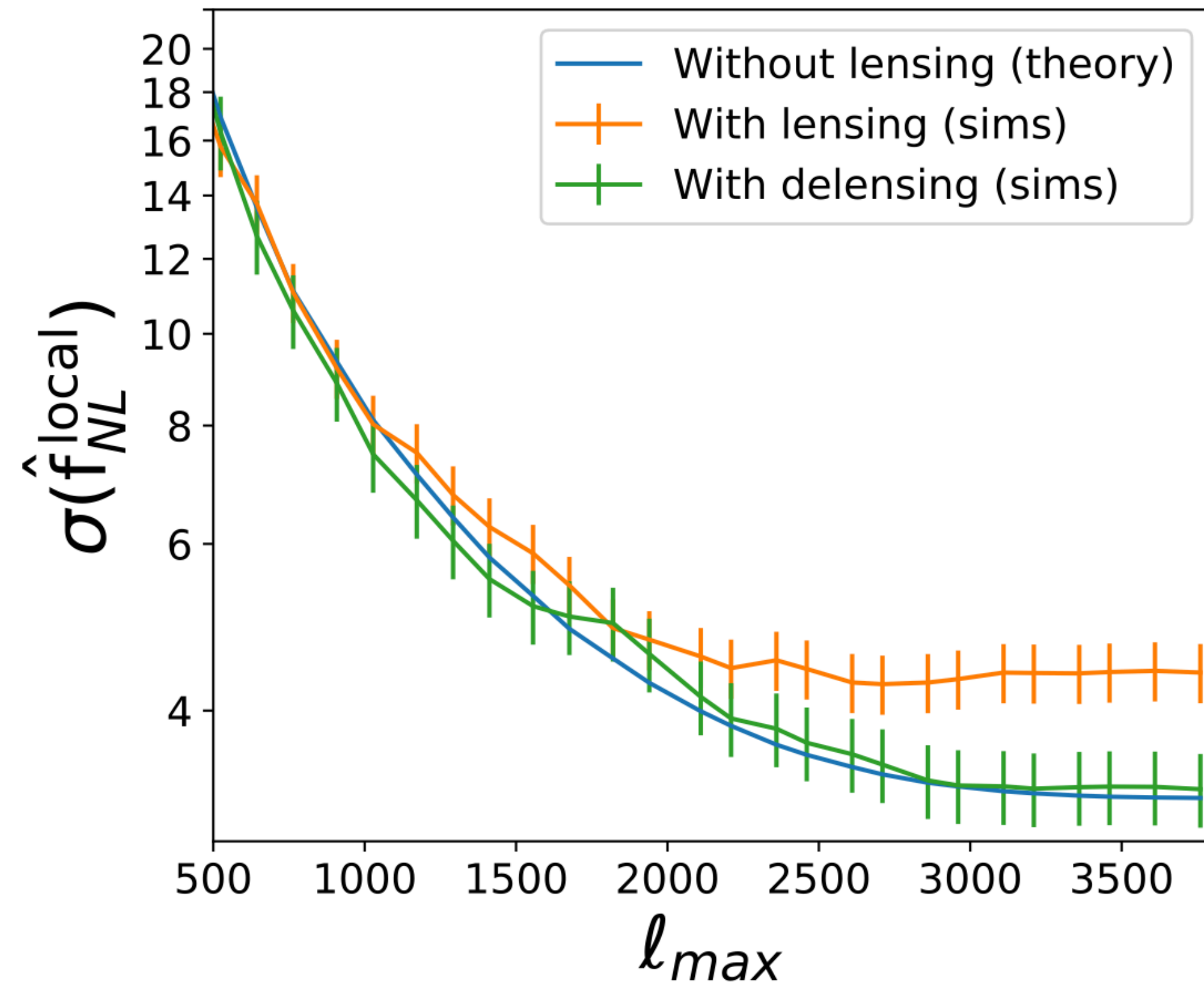
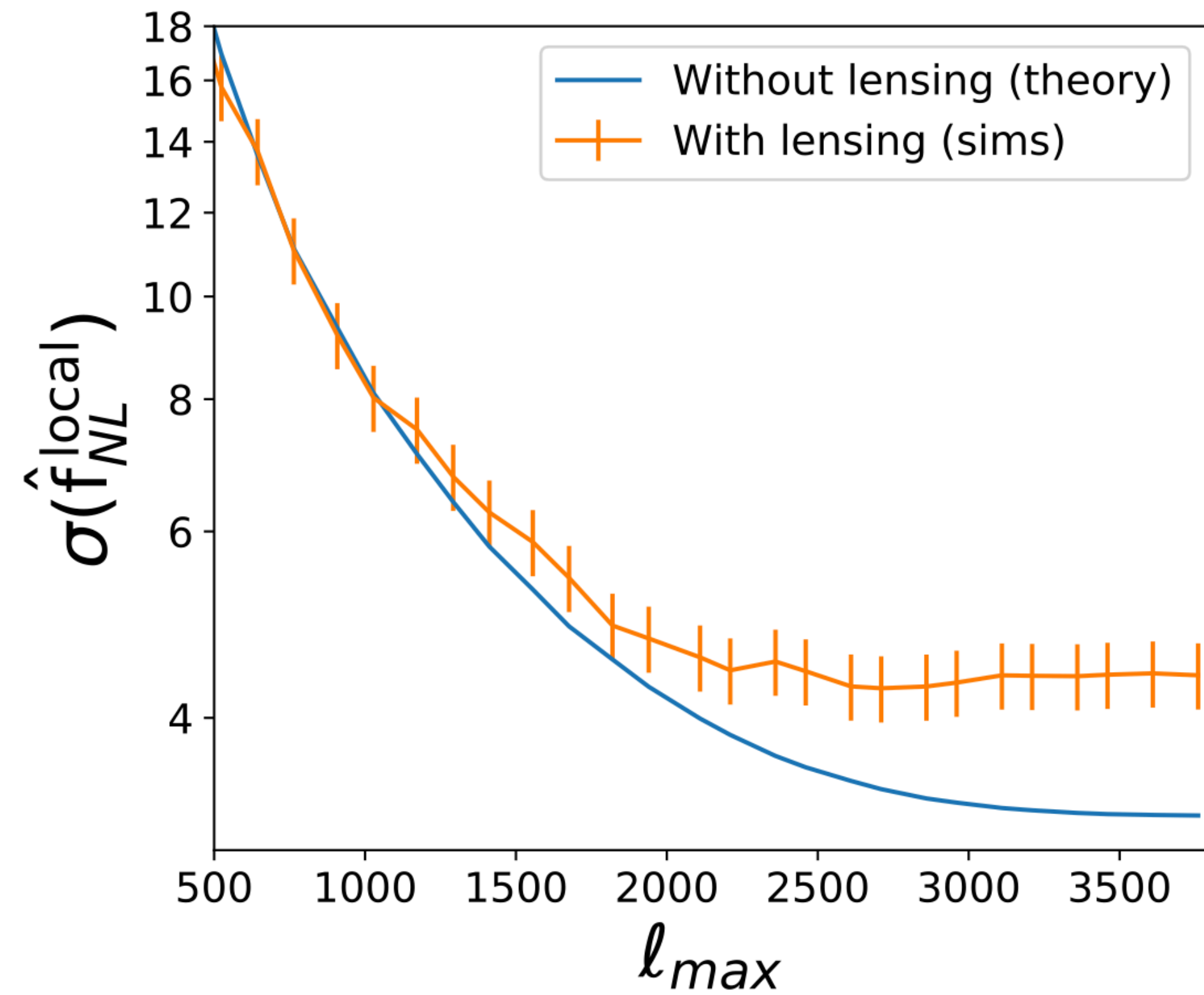
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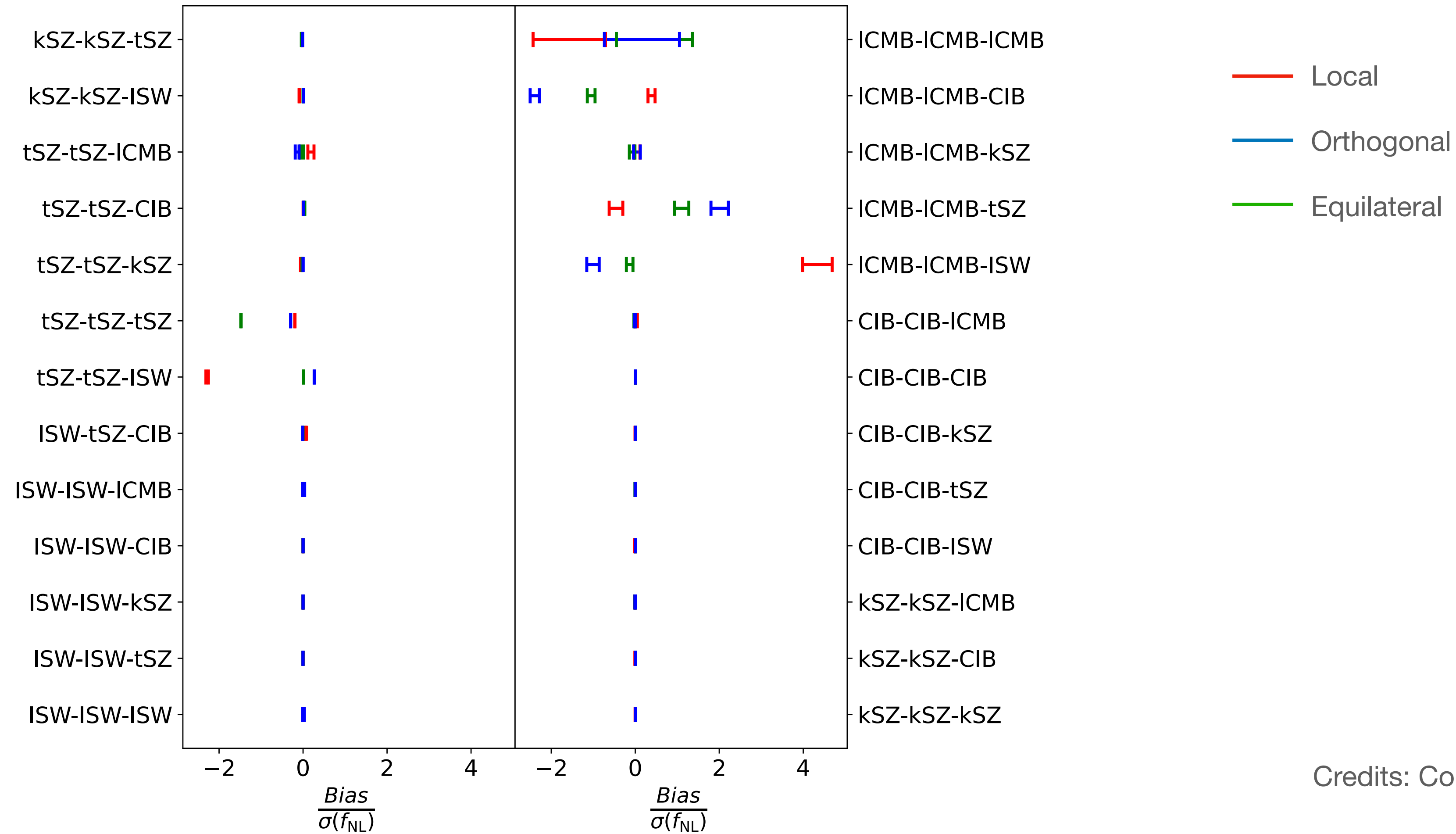


# Conclusion

- Reaching  $\sigma(f_{\text{NL}}) \sim \mathcal{O}(1)$  is **challenging**, except local
- **CMB will however provide the most stringent constraints** (for a long time) on *i*) bispectra other than local *ii*) spectra that contain tensors
- For  $f_{\text{NL}}^{\text{local}}$ , **LSS (PS + BS) and LSS + CMB (PS + BS and CV mitigating techniques) will be the way forward**
- Pretty **confident about the numbers** for S4
  - Well studied, a lot of experience (WMAP, Planck)
  - Potential showstoppers understood (lensing + foregrounds)
- Currently **analysing ACT data**, which would provide foundation for next gen experiments

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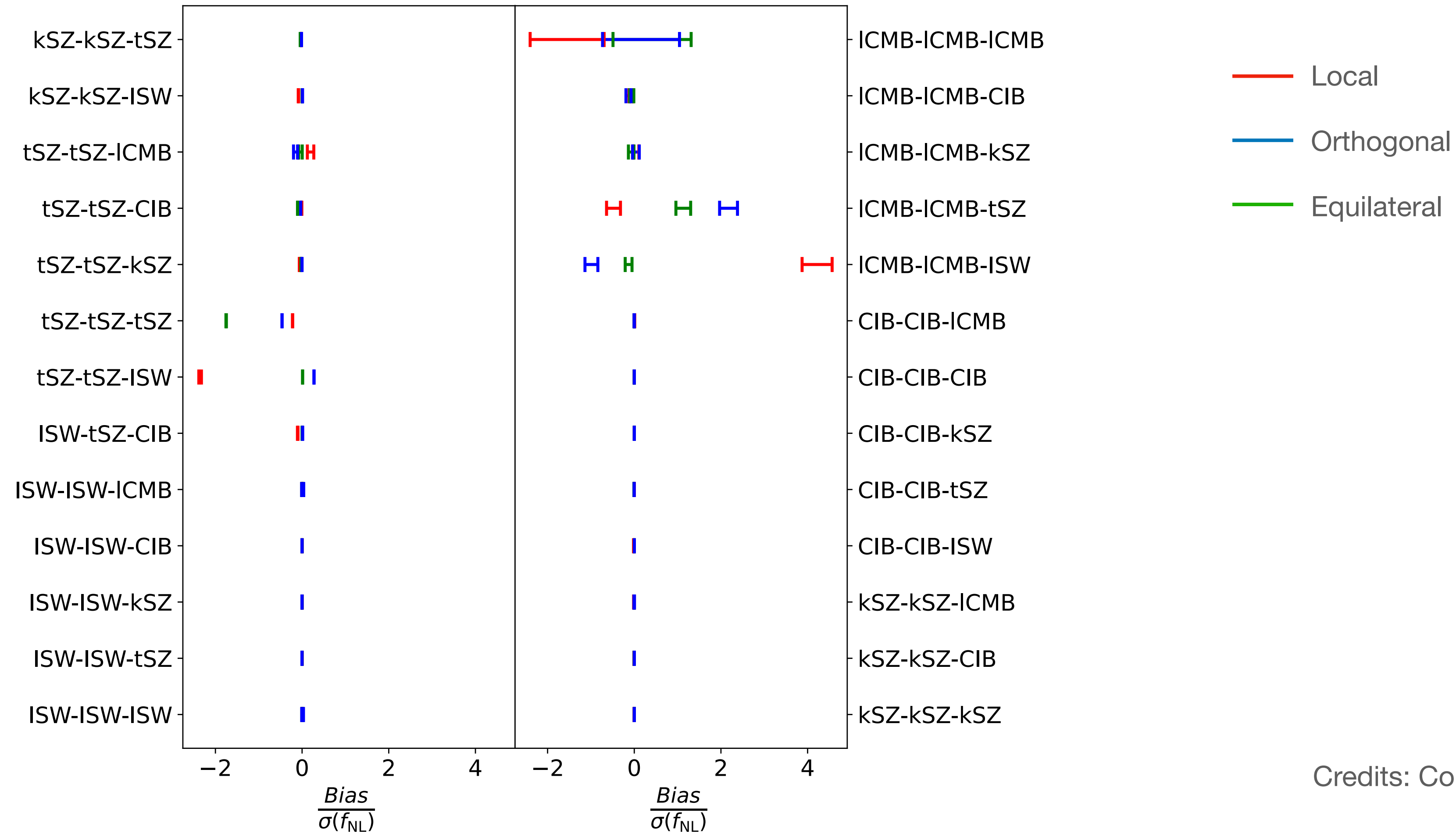
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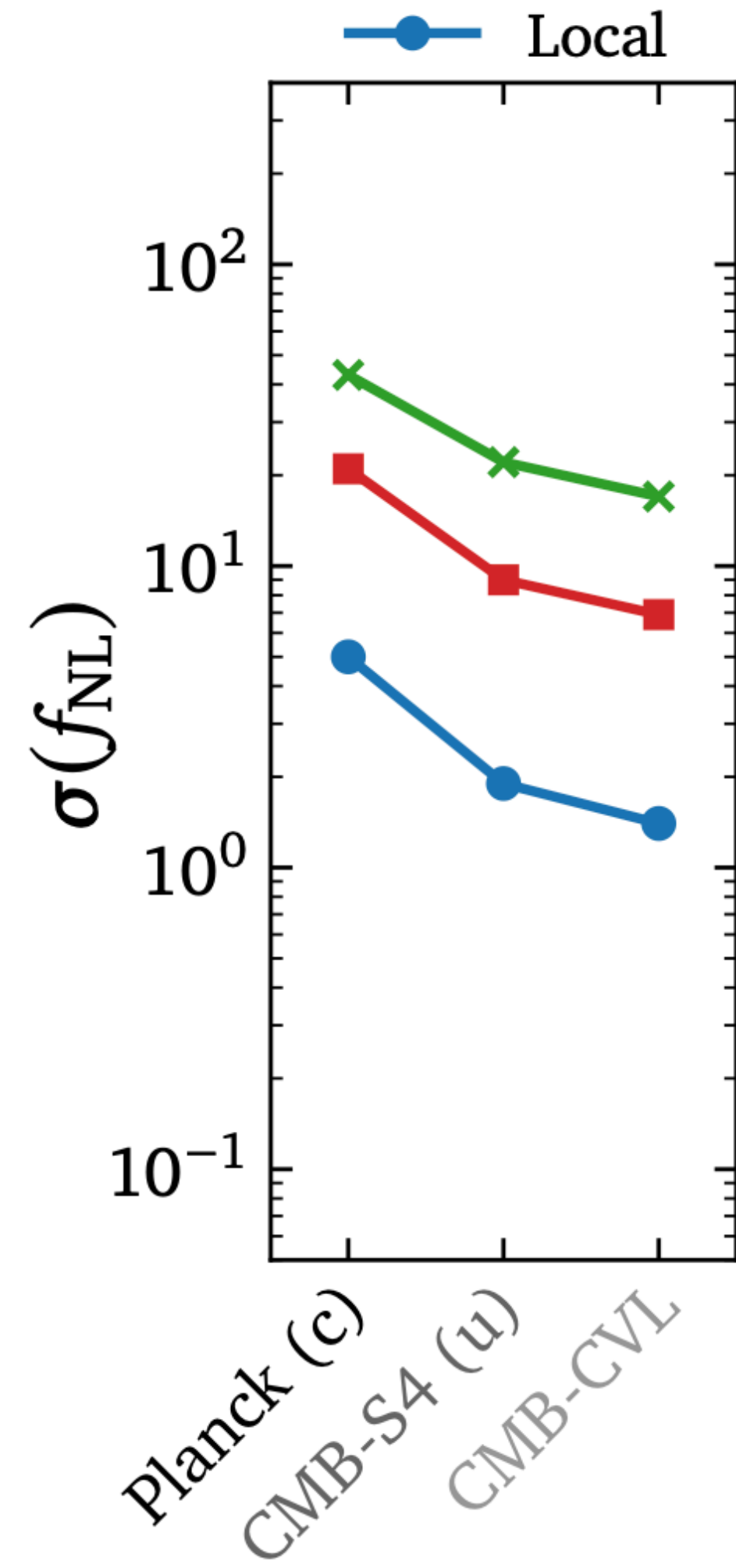
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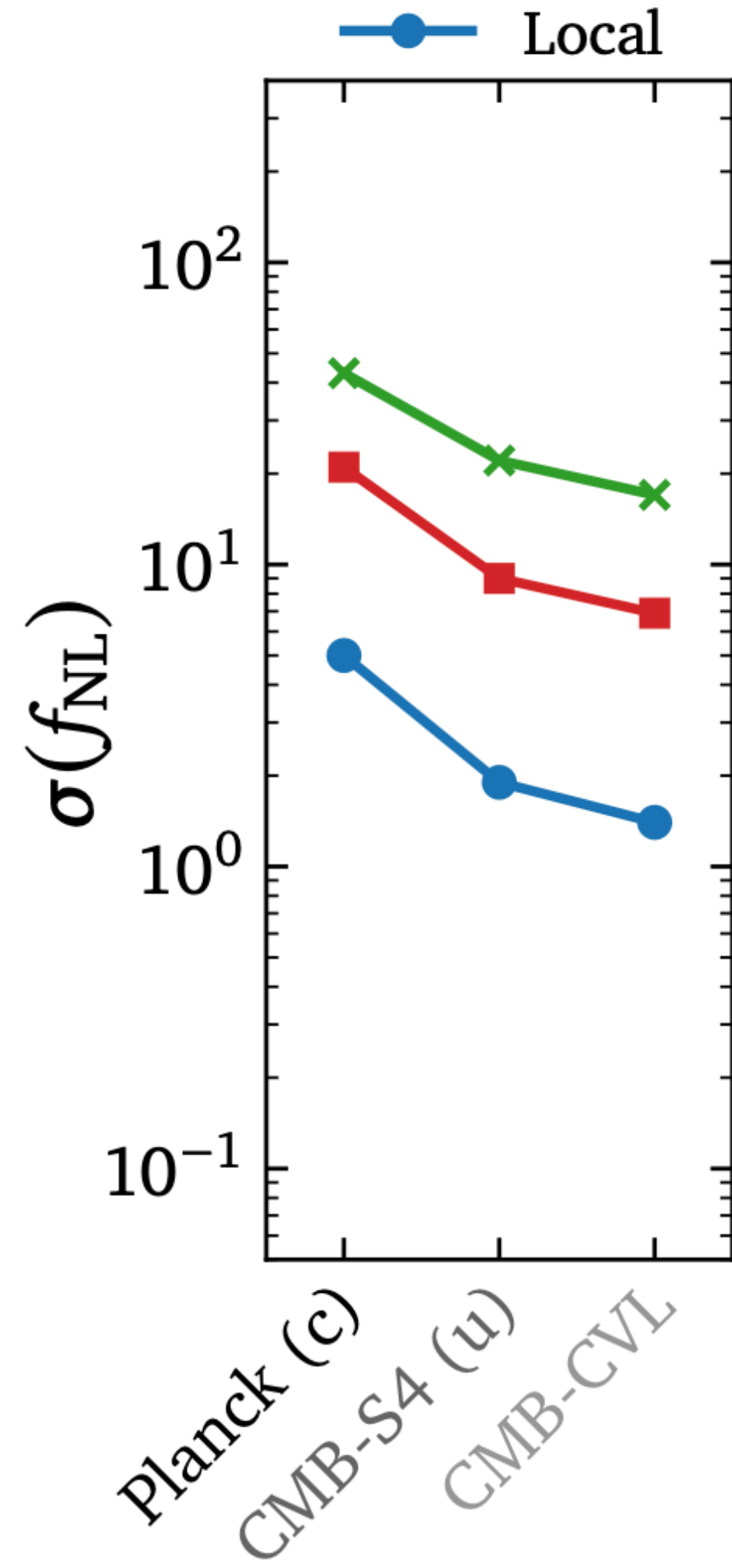


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$\sigma(\sqrt{r} \tilde{f}_{\text{NL}}^{\text{equil}})$	...	16	24	1.7
$\sigma(\sqrt{r} \tilde{f}_{\text{NL}}^{\text{ortho}})$	...	4.4	7.4	0.41