

# BICEP/Keck Constraints on Primordial Gravitational Waves

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# BICEP/Keck Collaboration



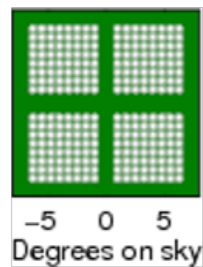
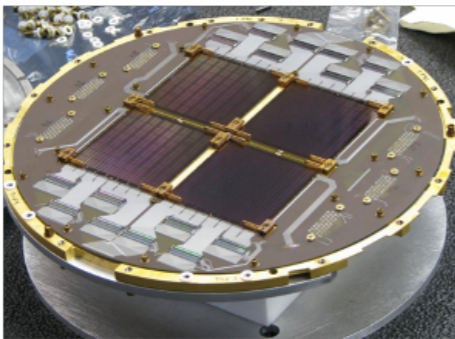
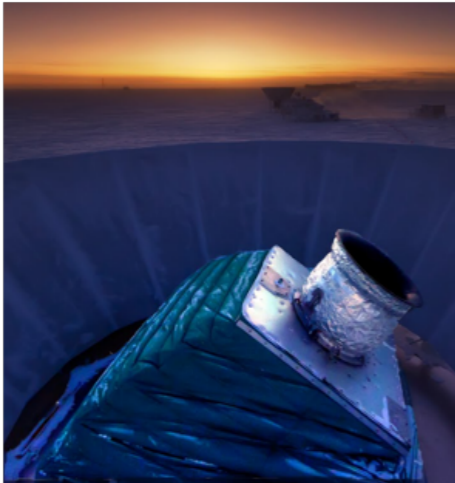
# BICEP/Keck Telescopes

Telescope and Mount

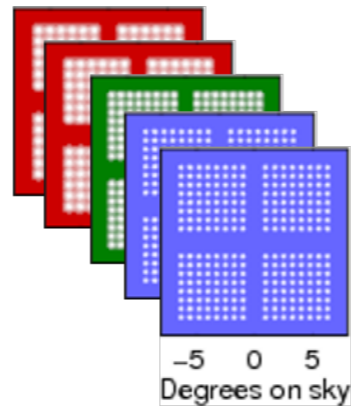
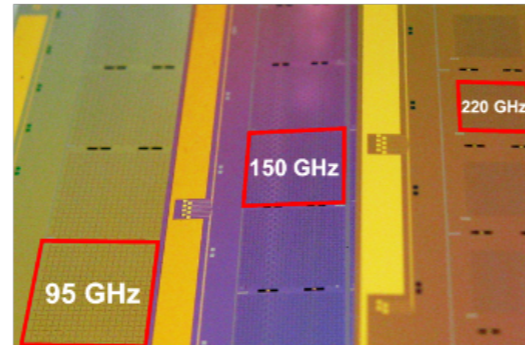
Focal Plane

Beams on Sky

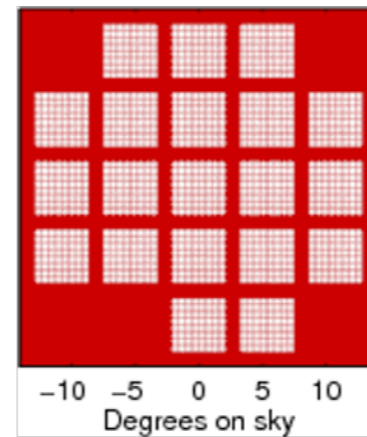
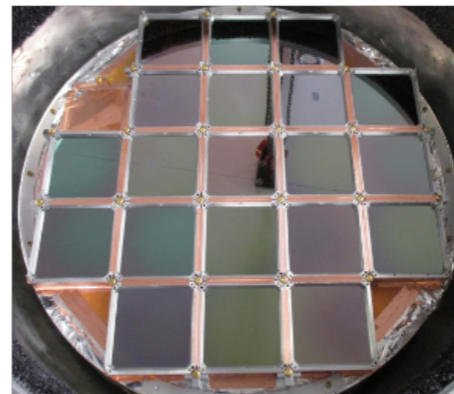
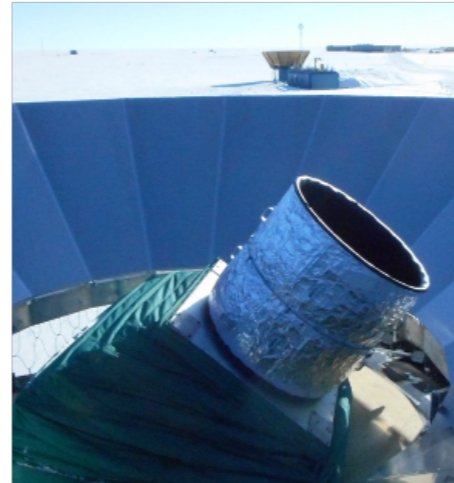
**BICEP2**  
(2010-2012)



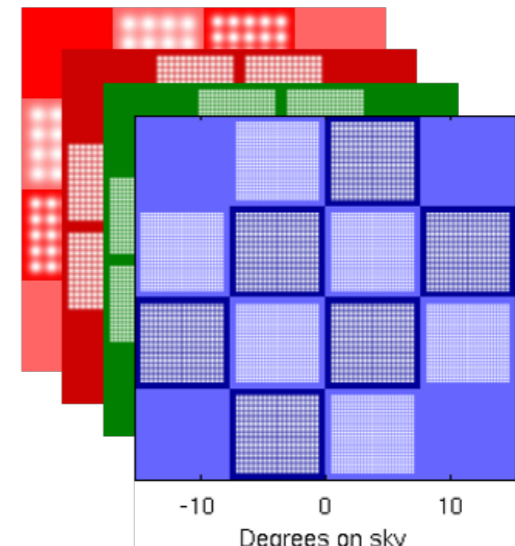
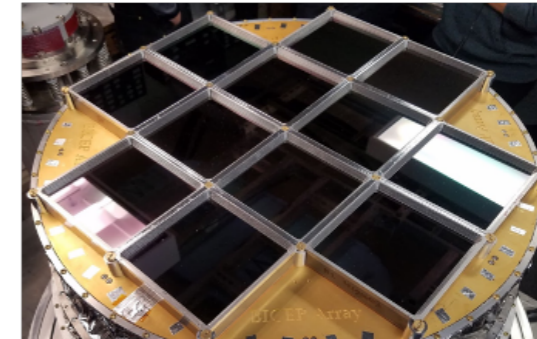
**Keck Array**  
(2012-2019)



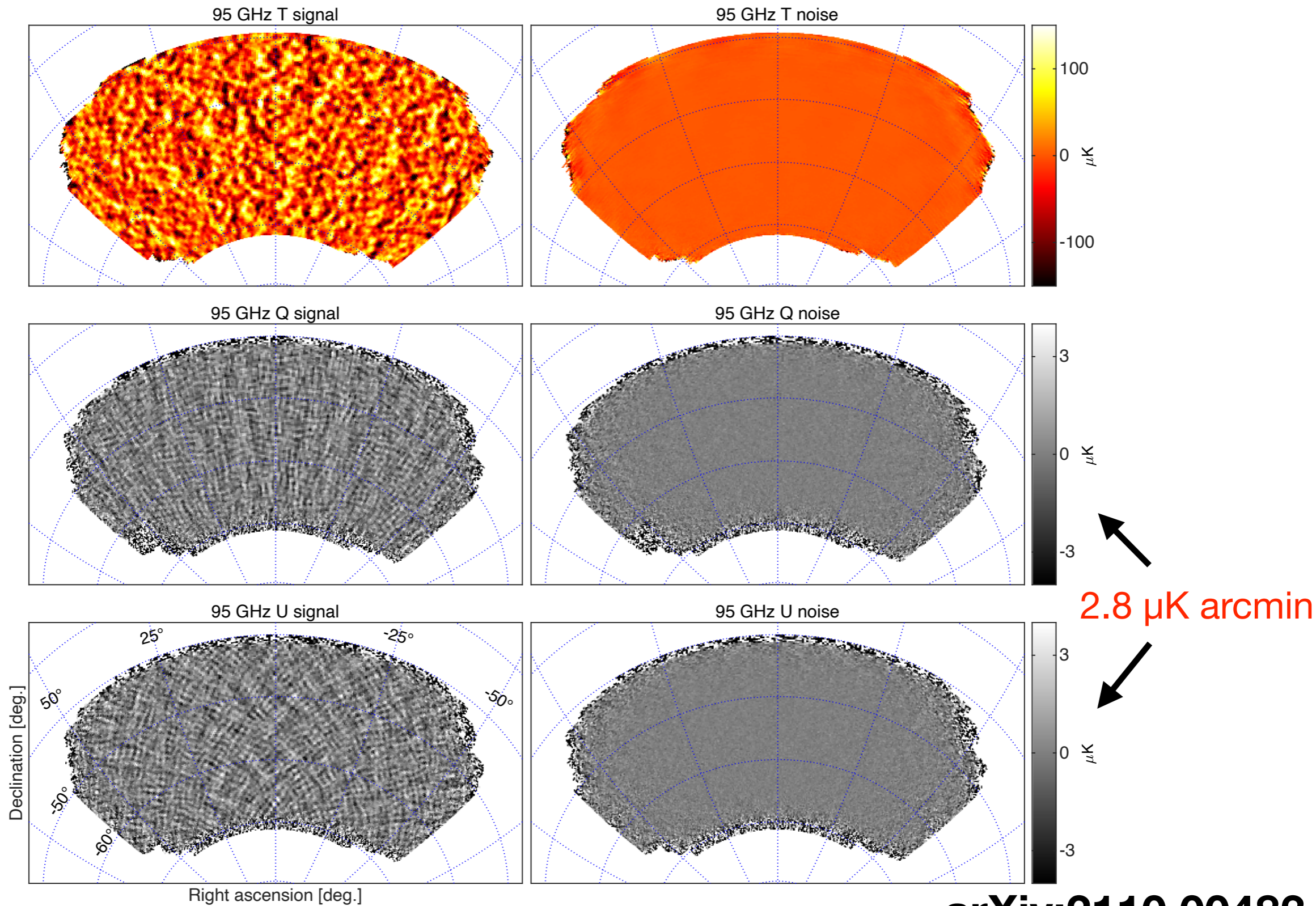
**BICEP3**  
(2016-)



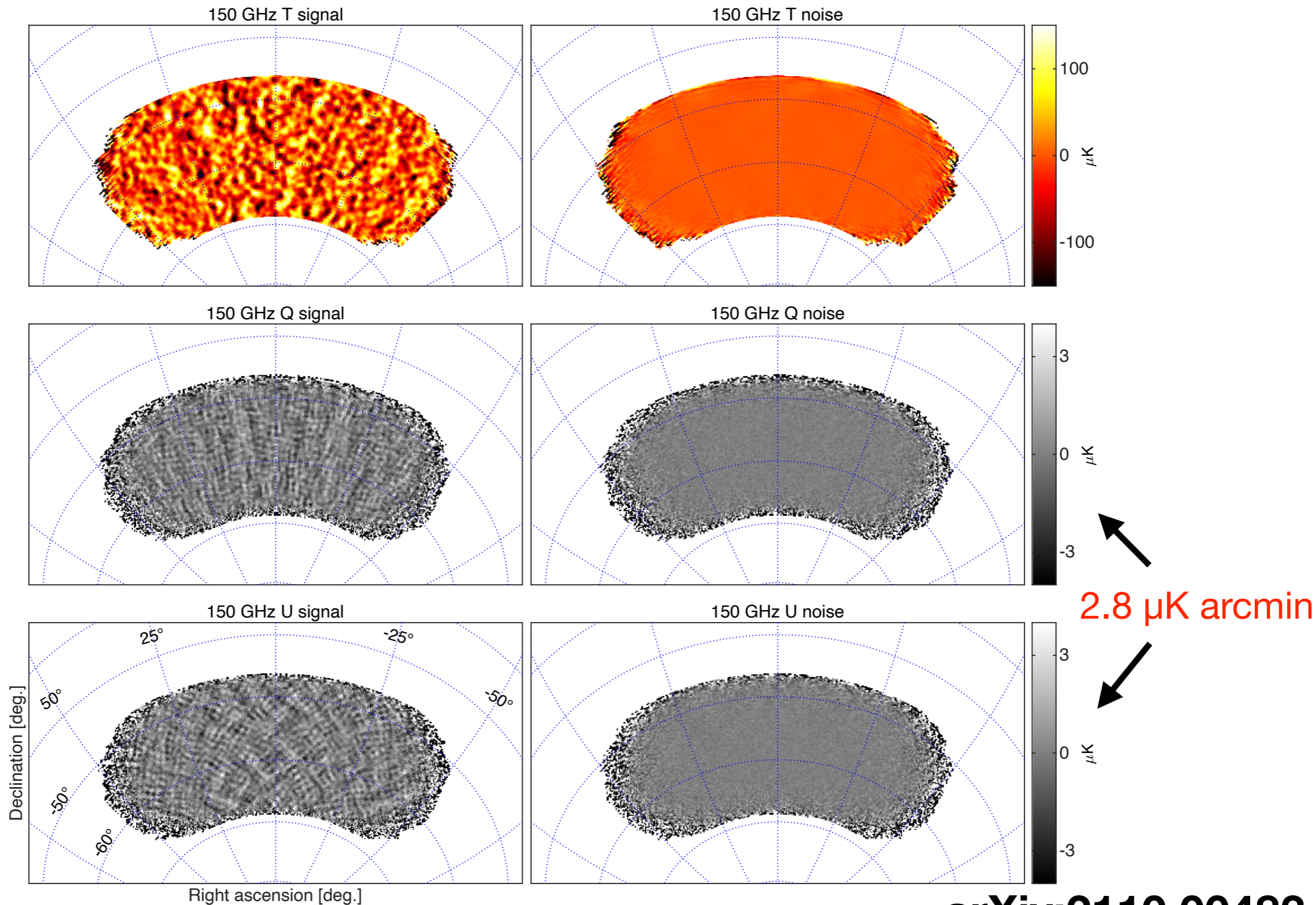
**BICEP Array**  
(2020-)



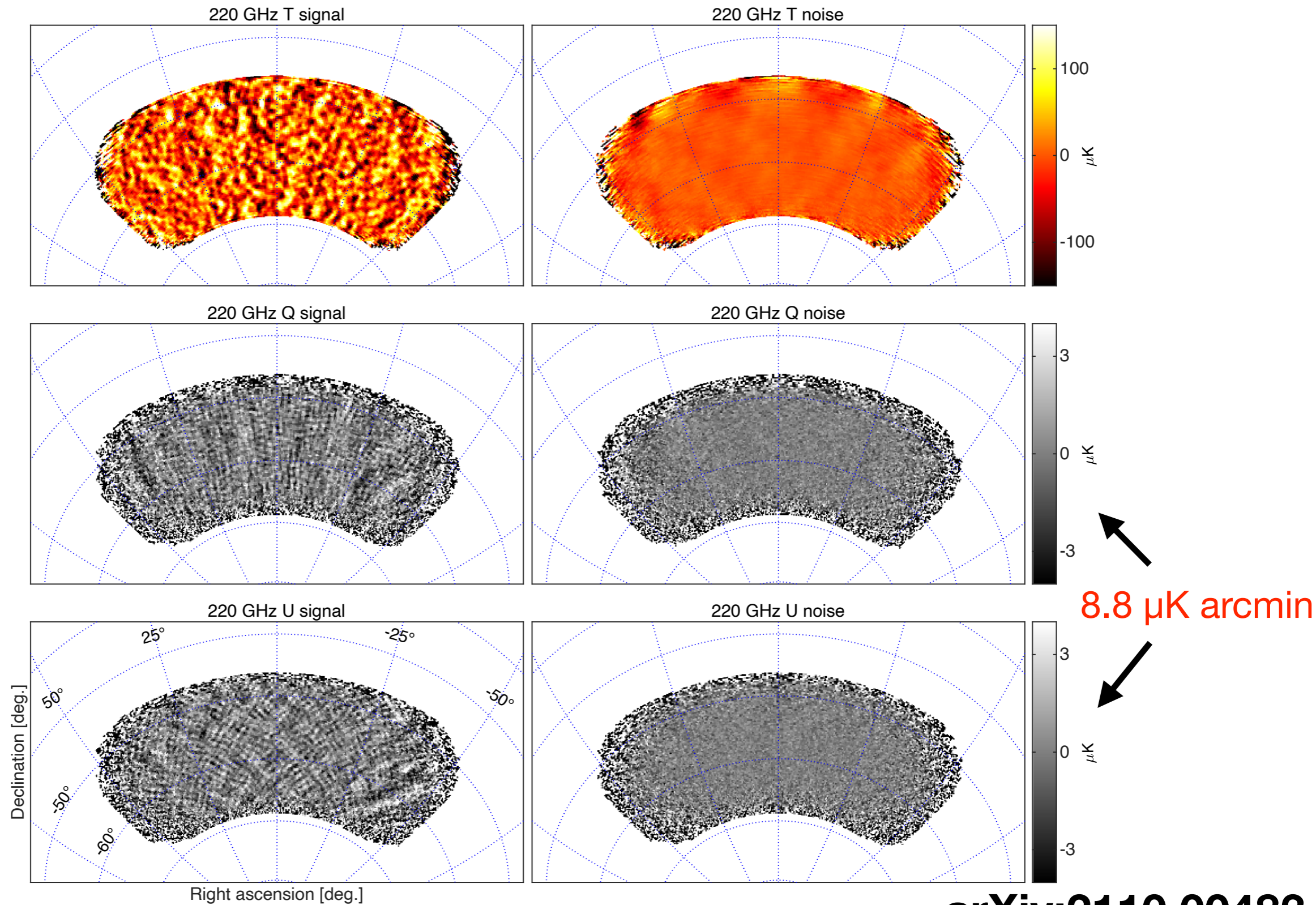
# BK18: B3 95 GHz T/Q/U Maps



# BK18: B2/K150 GHz T/Q/U Maps

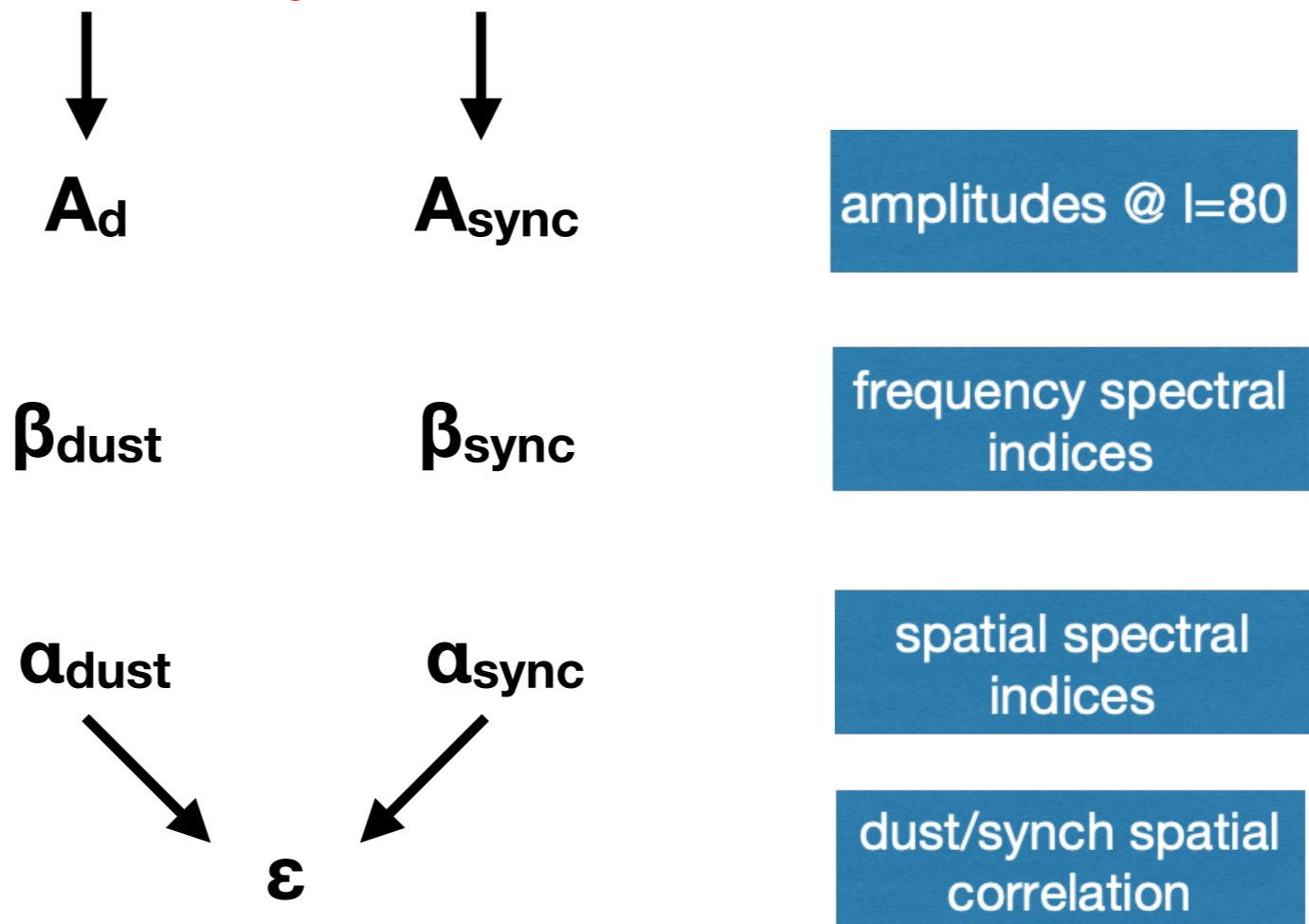


# BK18: K220 GHz T/Q/U Maps



# Multi-component Multi-spectral Likelihood Analysis

- Take the joint likelihood of all BB spectra simultaneously vs. the model for BB which is the lensed- $\Lambda$ CDM expectation + 7 parameter foreground model +  $r$
- foreground model = dust + synchrotron



11 maps in BK18:

- B95/K95/BK150/  
K220 up to 2018
- WMAP 23/33
- Planck 30/44/  
143/217/353

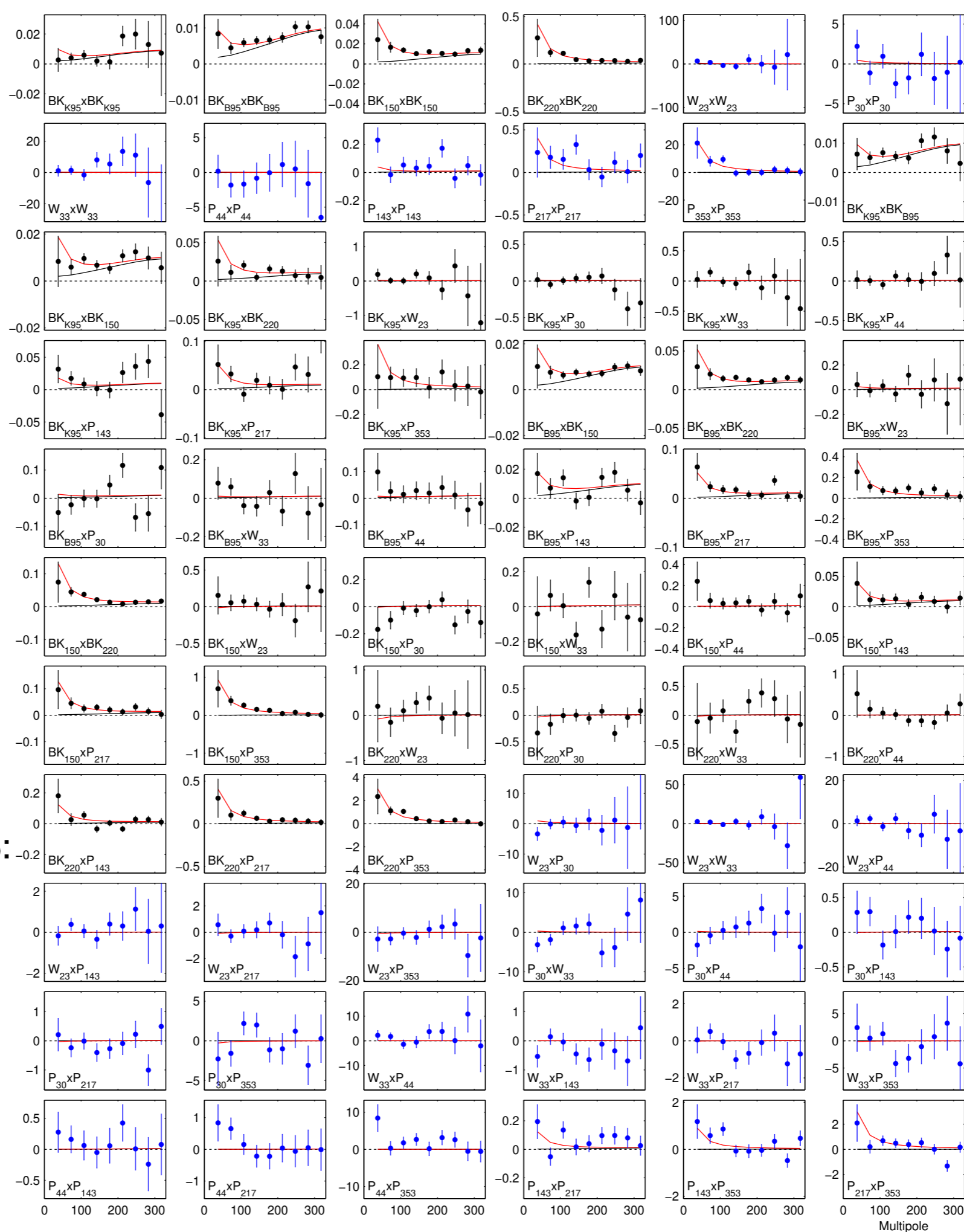


Matrix purified and  
inverse noise  
variance apodized



66 BB spectra in BK18:

- Black data points  
have BK
- Blue data points  
are W/P





Green Panels are EE spectra (EE/BB = 2)

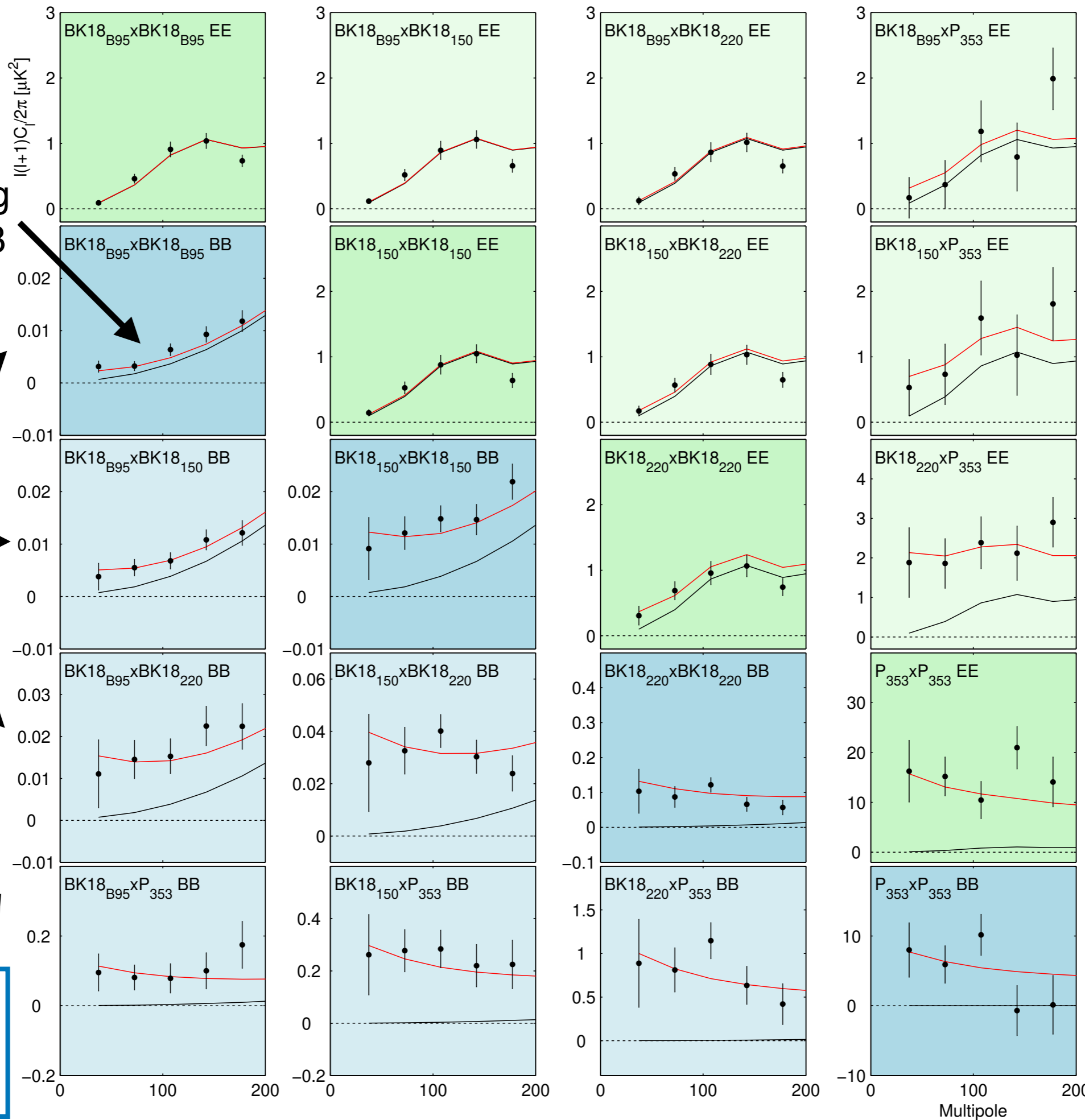
Black lines: lensed- $\Lambda$ CDM

Red lines: lensed- $\Lambda$ CDM + foreground

Constraining power of B3

Agreement with BK15 baseline which did not have B3

Blue Panels are BB spectra



# Baseline Constraints on $r$ & Foreground

- Only BB:

$$r_{0.05} < 0.072$$

$$\rightarrow < 0.036$$

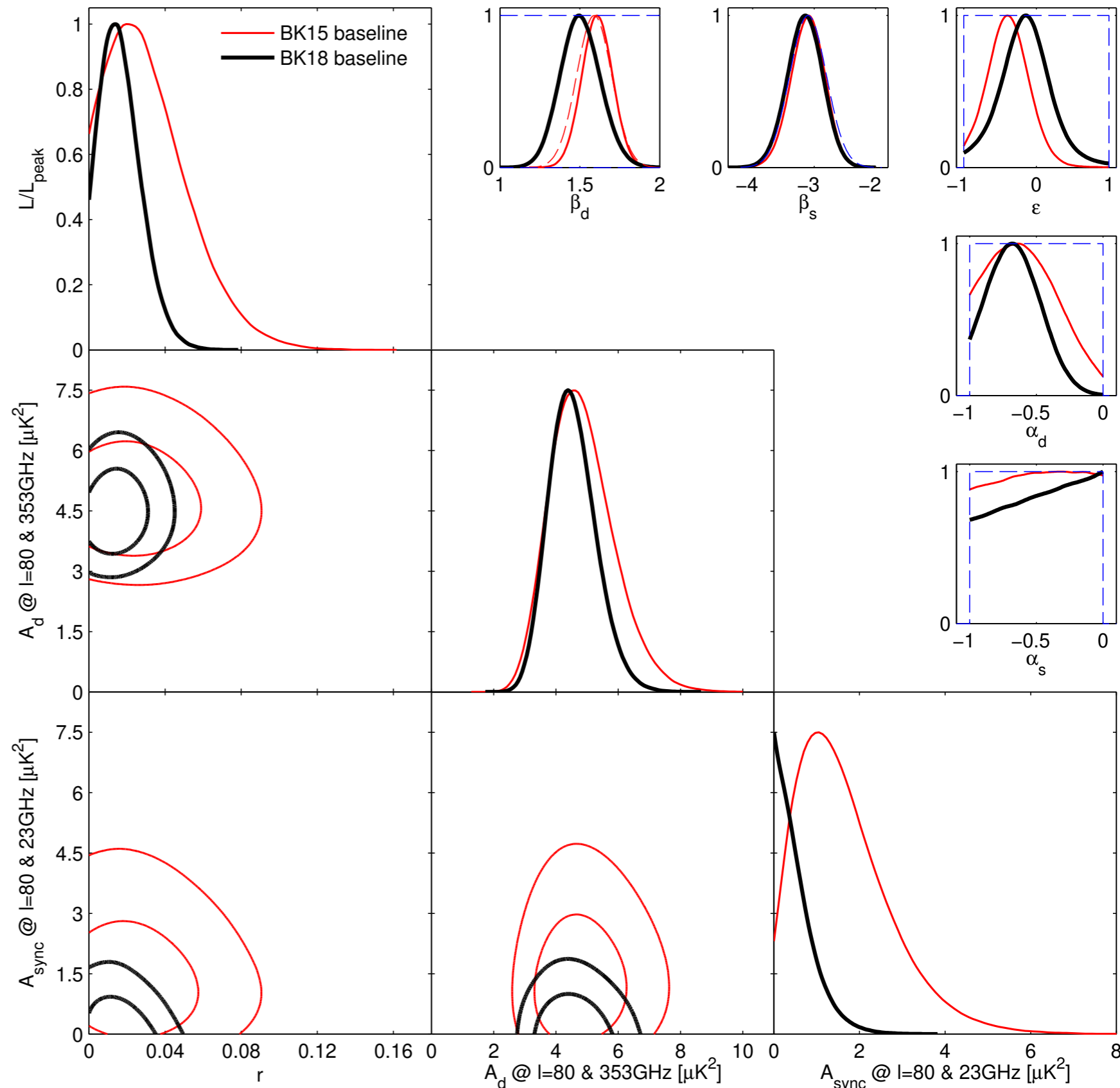
- $r_{0.05} = 0.020^{+0.021}_{-0.018}$

$$\rightarrow 0.014^{+0.010}_{-0.011}$$

- $\beta_d$  prior is removed

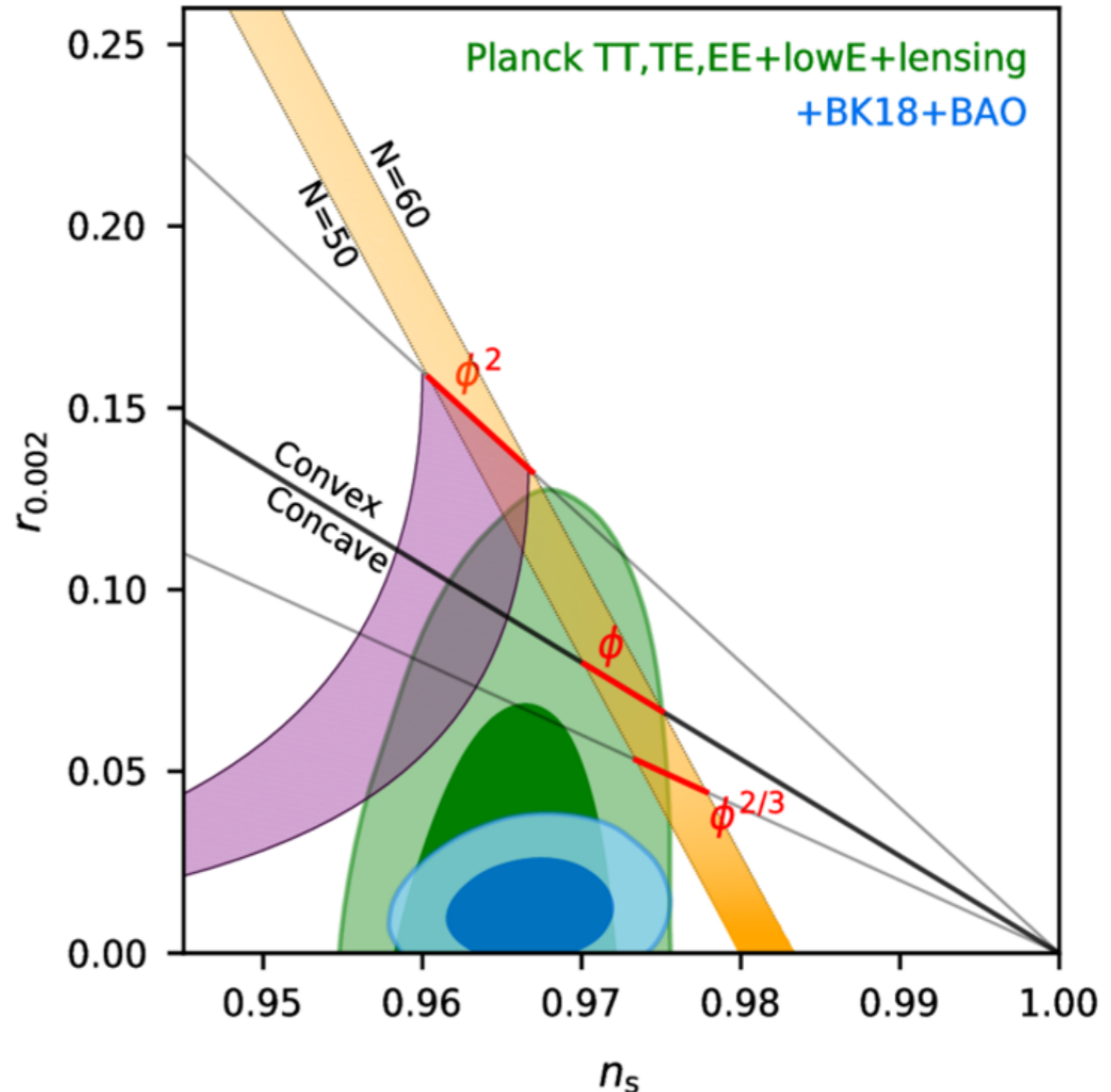
- $A_{d,353} = 4.4^{+0.8}_{-0.7} \mu K^2$

- $A_{s,23} < 1.40 \mu K^2$



# Constraint on Inflation

- $r$ +foreground+ $\Lambda$ CDM
- BK18+Planck2018+BAO:  
 $r_{0.05} < 0.035$
- **Monomial Inflation** and **Natural Inflation** are strongly disfavored
- The progress is entirely driven by B-modes!



# Conclusions

- BICEP2: 2010-2012 (150 GHz), *Keck Array*: 2012-2019 (95/150/220/270 GHz) & BICEP3: 2016-present (95 GHz)
- BK18:  $\sigma(r) = 0.009$  &  $r < 0.035$
- BICEP Array: 2020-present (30/40/95/150/220/270 GHz)
- BK27+SPT3G delensing (with > 2yrs of COVID delay):  
 $\sigma(r) \lesssim 0.003$ , extrapolated from achieved map depth!

