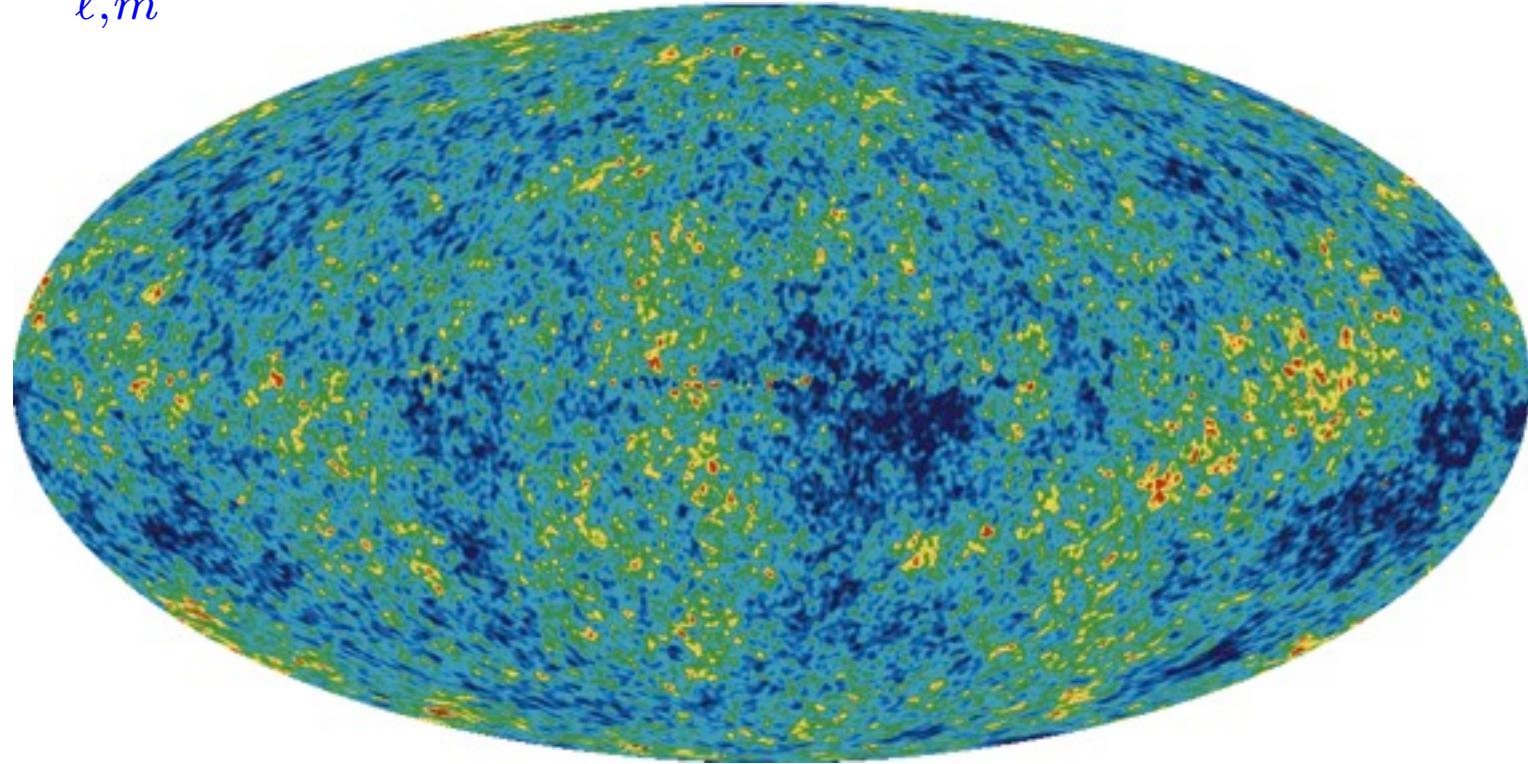


Testing  
Statistical Isotropy  
and  
Primordial Non-Gaussianity  
with the CMB and LSS

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# Initial conditions in the universe

$$\frac{\delta T}{T}(\theta, \phi) = \sum_{\ell, m} a_{\ell m} Y_{\ell m}(\theta, \phi) \quad \ell \simeq \frac{180^\circ}{\theta}$$



Generic inflationary predictions:

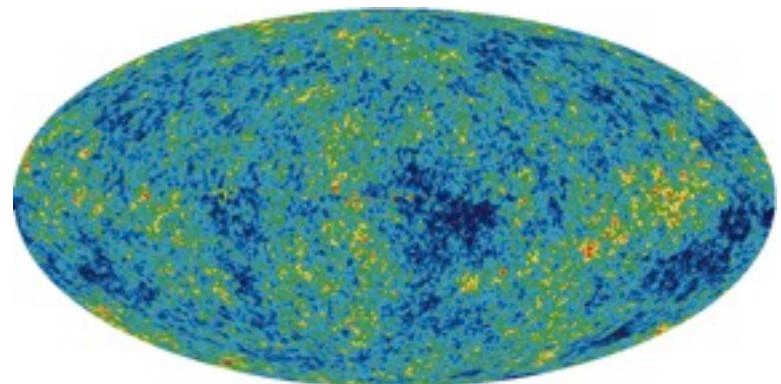
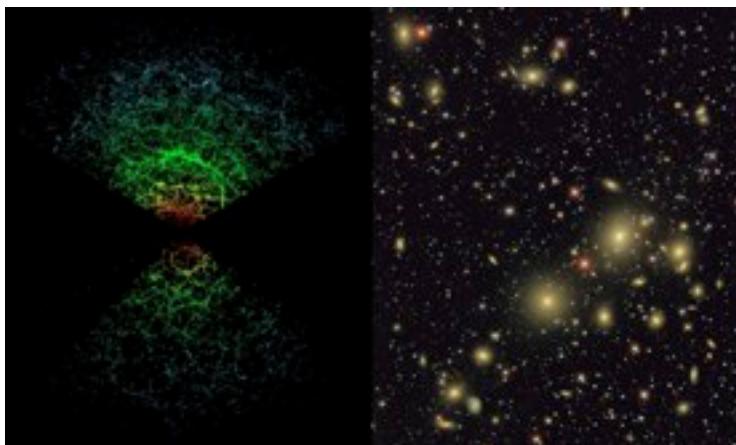
- Nearly scale-invariant, statistically isotropic spectrum of density perturbations
- Background of gravity waves
- (Very nearly) gaussian initial conditions

Gaussianity:

$$\langle a_{\ell m} a_{\ell' m'} a_{\ell'' m''} \rangle = 0$$

# Why study statistical isotropy (SI) and primordial non-Gaussianity (NG)?

1. SI and NG presents a window to the very early universe.  
For example, they can distinguish between physically distinct models of inflation.
2. Conveniently, SI and NG can be constrained/measured using CMB anisotropy maps and LSS. In particular, there is a rich set of observable quantities that are sensitive to SI and NG.



# 1. Statistical Isotropy

- So far, investigated in CMB much more than in LSS
- Despite hints of violation in SI at CMB's large scales...
- ...so far all observations are in good agreement with statistical isotropy
- Wider, deeper LSS surveys on the way will improve constraints by a lot

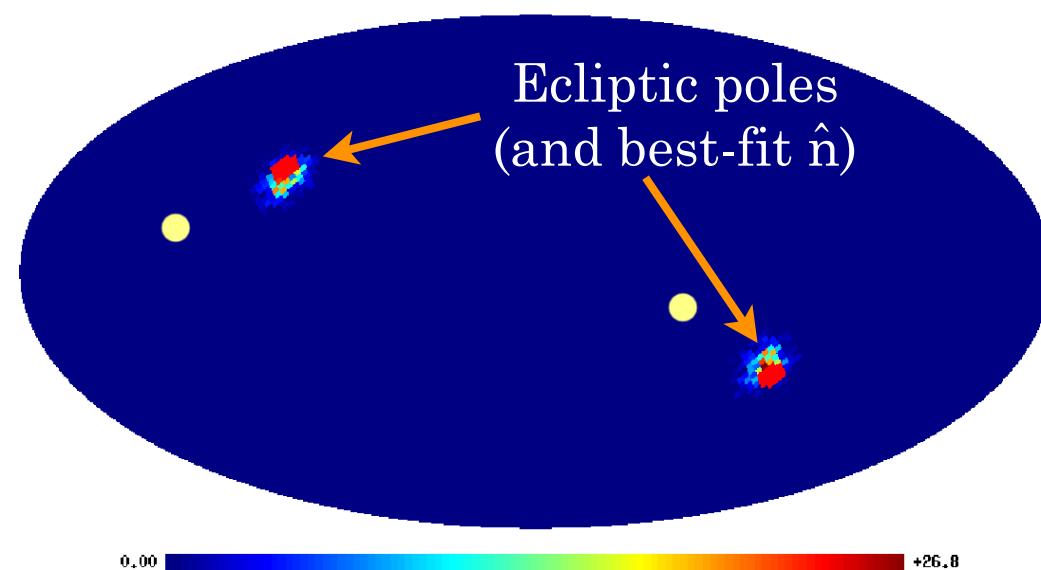
# Hints of large-scale modulation (from higher- $\ell$ CMB)

Model:

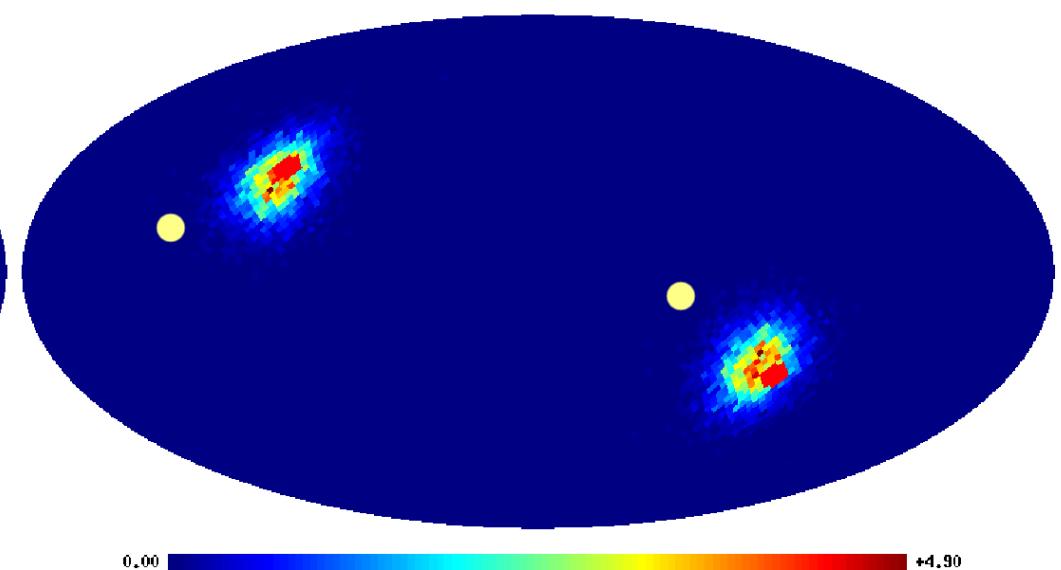
$$P(\mathbf{k}) = P(k) \left( 1 + g (\hat{\mathbf{k}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}})^2 \right)$$

Ackerman, Carroll, Wise 2007

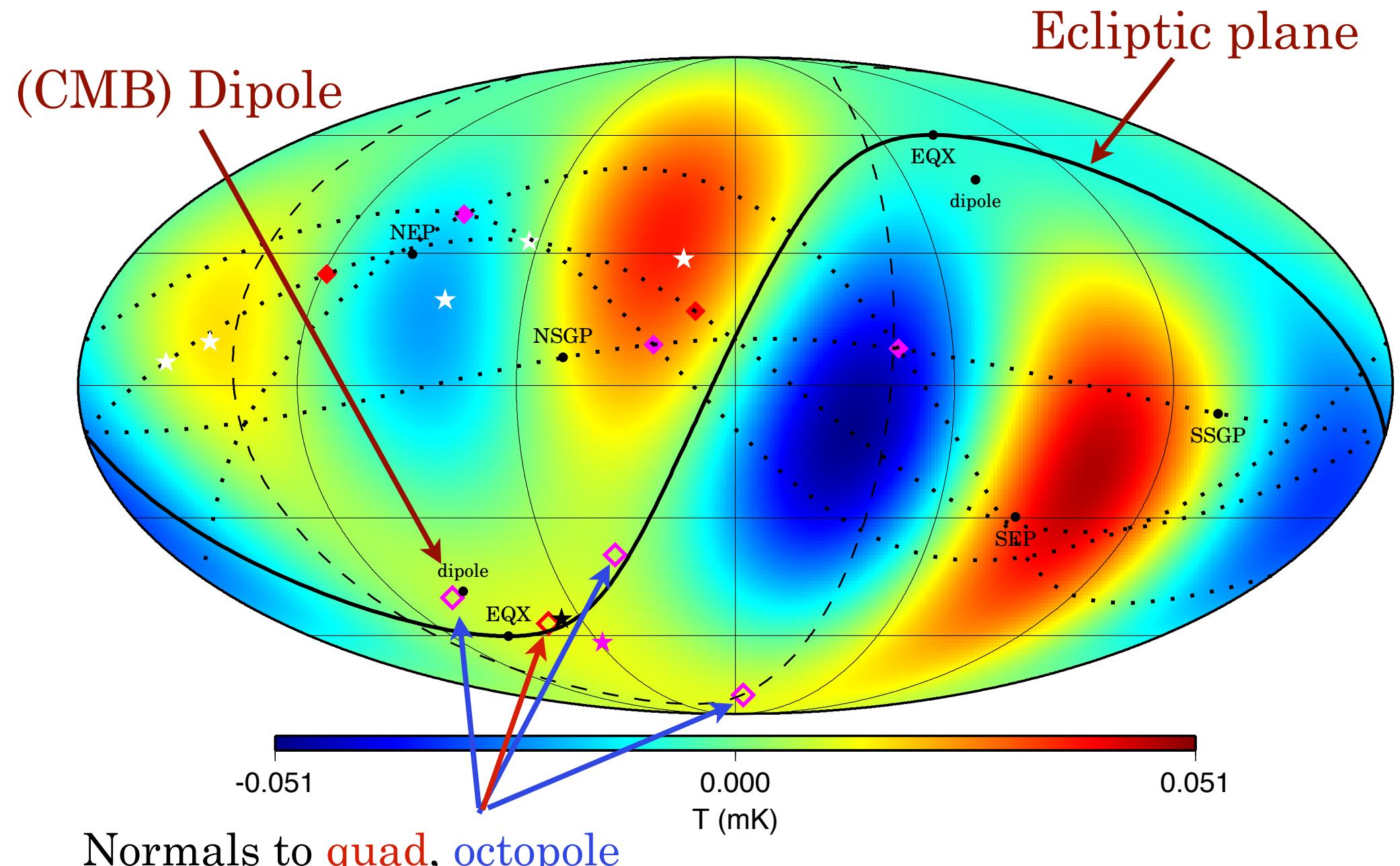
WMAP W-band



WMAP V-band



# Hints of alignment of large-angle CMB (with the solar system geometry)



# Testing the statistical isotropy of large scale structure with multipole vectors

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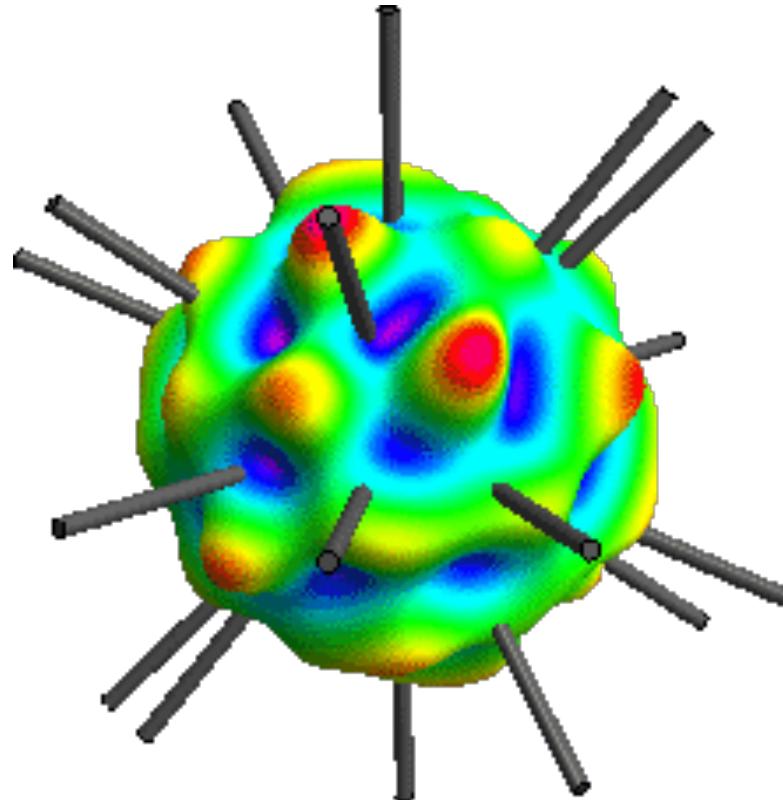
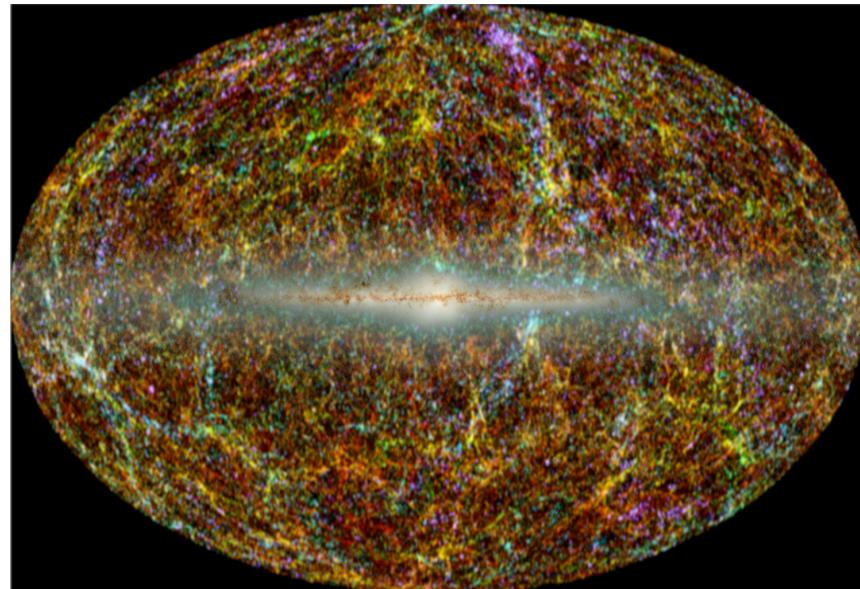
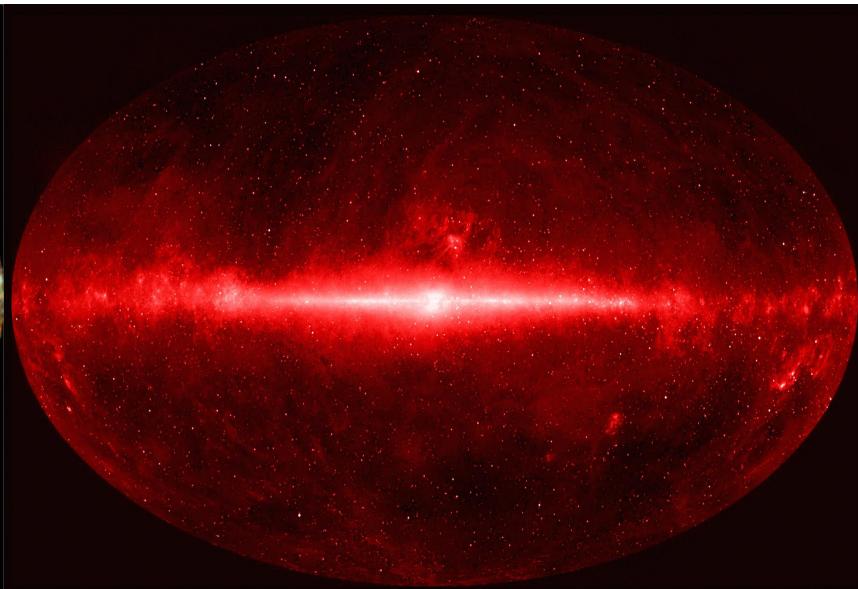


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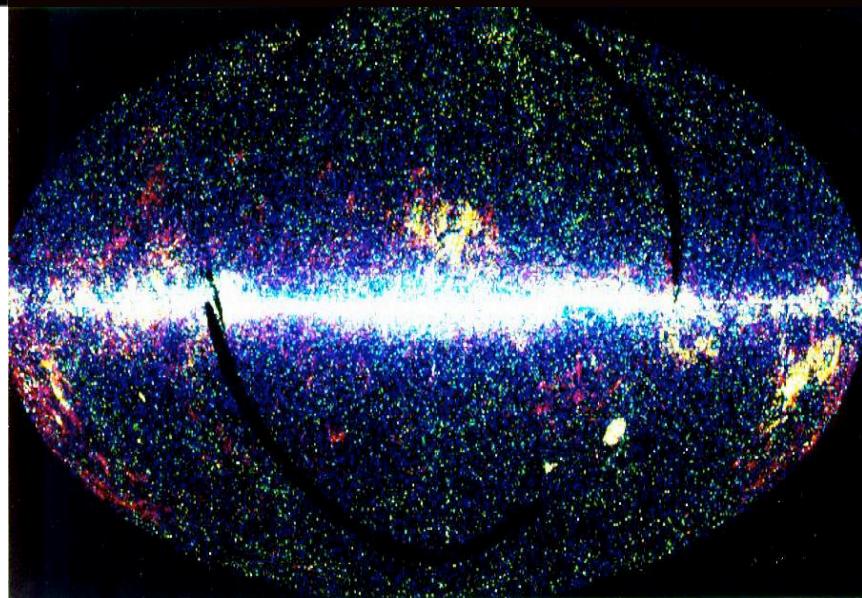
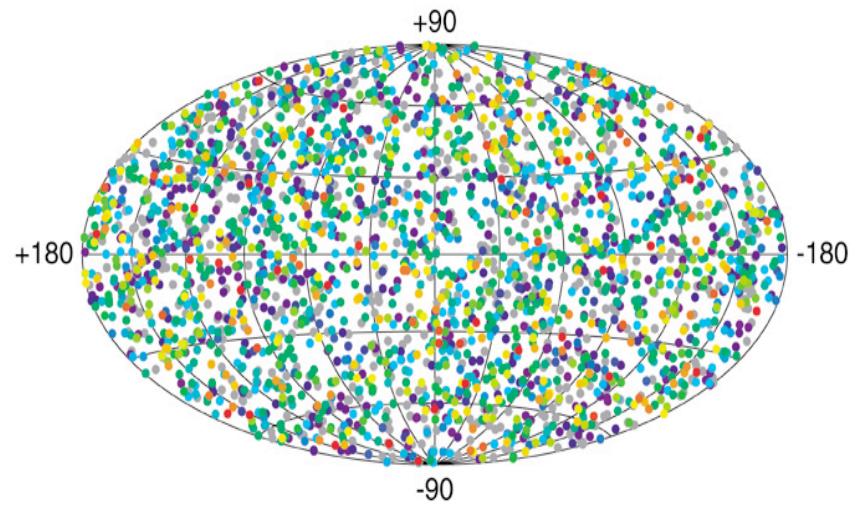
2MASS



WISE



2704 BATSE Gamma-Ray Bursts



IRAS

And: DES, BigBOSS, LSST, .....

# 2. Primordial non-Gaussianity

Very popular topic recently  
e.g. 56 talks at Michigan workshop on NG, May 2011:

Cosmological Non-Gaussianity Workshop May 2011

<http://www.umich.edu/~mctp/SciPrgrgs/events/2011/CosmoNo...>

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Friday May 13th, 2011

8:30 AM Breakfast in 337 West Hall

9:00 AM Gordon Kane (University of Michigan) Welcome  
Distinguishing Primordial Non-Gaussianities with Large-Scale Structure Data  
9:10 AM Sabino Matarrese (Universita di Padova) Primordial features and non-Gaussianities as evidence for inflation  
9:40 AM Xingang Chen (Cambridge University) The effective field theory of Inflation and Multifield Inflation  
10:00 AM Leonardo Senatore (Stanford University)

10:20 AM Morning Coffee Break in 337 West Hall

10:50 AM Misao Sasaki (Kyoto University) Delta N Formalism and Superhorizon Curvature Perturbation  
Scale Invariance from Conformal Invariance  
11:20 AM Justin Khoury (University of Pennsylvania) Isocurvature Perturbations and NG from Nonthermal Dark Matter  
11:40 AM Daniel Chung (University of Wisconsin) Large NG in Axion Inflation  
2:00 PM Marco Peloso (University of Minnesota)

12:20 PM Lunch

2:00 PM Chris Byrnes (Bielefeld University) Scale dependent Non-Gaussianity  
2:20 PM Paul Shellard (Cambridge University) CMB Non-Gaussianity: Modal Methods  
2:40 PM James Ferguson (Cambridge University) Applications of Modal Methods  
3:00 PM Michele Liguori (Cambridge University) A Model Bispectrum Estimator for the CMB Bispectrum

3:20 PM Refreshments and Coffee in 337 West Hall

3:50 PM Jun'ichi Yokoyama (University of Tokyo) Inflation and its Non-Gaussianity  
Kanya Kohyama (University of Portsmouth) Non-Gaussianity from DBI Galileons

4:30 PM Canoeing @ Huron River

Saturday May 14th, 2011

8:30 AM Breakfast in 337 West Hall

9:00 AM Licia Verde (Universitat de Barcelona) General Non-Gaussian Shapes in Large-Scale Structure  
9:30 AM Fabian Schmidt (Caltech) Peak background Split and Primordial Non-Gaussianity

10:00 AM Morning Coffee Break in 337 West Hall

10:30 AM Roman Scoccimarro (New York University) Probing Primordial Non-Gaussianity with Large-Scale Structure  
Large-Scale Clustering, Systematic NG  
10:50 AM Shirley Ho (UC Berkeley) The Dark Energy Survey and Prim NG  
11:10 AM Carlos Cunha (University of Michigan) Halo Clustering with  $fNL$ ,  $\epsilon NL$ , and  $\tau NL$   
11:30 AM Kendrick Smith (Princeton University) Resonant Non-Gaussianity  
11:50 AM Raphael Flauger (Yale University)  
12:10 PM Discussion

12:20 PM Lunch

Machinel-Gun session:  
Anthony Balan (Caltech)  
Emanuela DAmato (Padova)  
Tsz-Yan Lam (IPMU)  
Annalisa Pillepich (UC Santa Cruz)  
Tobias Baldauf (University of Zurich)  
Heike Moseit (MPIE)  
Peter Adshead (University of Chicago)  
Natalia Aguirre (University of Texas)  
José Meiggs (University of Texas)  
Ivan Amol (Penn State University)  
Jonathan Ganc (University of Texas)  
Guido D'Amico (New York University)  
Amjad Ashoorioon (Uppsala University)  
Qineguang Mao (Vanderbilt University)  
Nico Hanusa (University of Michigan)  
Adam Becker (University of Michigan)

3:10 PM Discussion

3:30 PM Refreshments and Coffee in 337 West Hall

4:00 PM Donghui Jeong (Caltech) Park near Horizon scales: galaxy-general relativity and effective  $fNL$   
4:20 PM Jaiyul Yoo (University of Zurich) General Relativistic Description of Observed Galaxy Power Spectrum  
Galilean symmetry in the effective theory of inflation  
4:40 PM Paolo Creminelli (ICTP) Can we ever detect tensor non-Gaussianities?  
5:00 PM Eugene Lim (Cambridge University)

6:30 PM Reception and Dinner @ Art Museum

8:30 AM Breakfast in 337 West Hall

9:00 AM Emilio Sefusatti (Institut de Physique Theorique) Primordial Non-Gaussianity & the Galaxy Bispectrum  
Non-Gaussian bias from peak-background split  
9:20 AM Vincent Desjacques (University of Zurich) Non-Gaussian Consistency Relation for Multi-field Inflation  
9:40 AM Eiichiro Komatsu (University of Texas)

10:00 AM Morning Coffee Break in 337 West Hall

10:30 AM Sarah Shandera (Perimeter Institute) New observational power from halo bias  
Primordial Non-Gaussianity and the Large-Scale Structure of the Universe  
10:50 AM Cristiano Porciani (University of Bonn) Halo Mass Function with  $fNL$ ,  $\epsilon NL$ , and  $\tau NL$   
Marilena Loverde (Institute for Advanced Study)  
11:10 AM Naoshi Sugiyama (Nagoya University) Effect of Kurtosis-Type of Primordial NG on Halo Mass Function  
11:30 AM Christophe Ringeval (Universite Catholique de Louvain)  
11:50 AM Discussion

12:20 PM Lunch

2:00 PM Gary Shiu (University of Wisconsin) Effective Field Theory and Decoupling in Multi-field Inflation  
2:20 PM Aashay Kumar (University of Michigan) Non-Gaussianity and Scale Dependence Kumar  
2:40 PM Enrico Pajer (Cornell University) Dante's Inferno

3:00 PM Refreshments and Coffee in 337 West Hall

3:30 PM Neil Barnaby (U. of Minnesota) Probing the Inflaton Coupling to Matter with NG  
Beyond the Bispectrum: N-point functions for large N  
3:50 PM Louis LeBlond (Perimeter Institute) IR Effects on Cosmological Perturbation  
4:10 PM Takahiro Tanaka (Kyoto University) Probing Scale-dep NG in the WMAP  
4:30 PM Christoph Raeth (MPE) Data Using Surrogates  
4:50 PM Scott Watson (Syracuse) Summary and Closing Remarks  
5:00 PM End of workshop

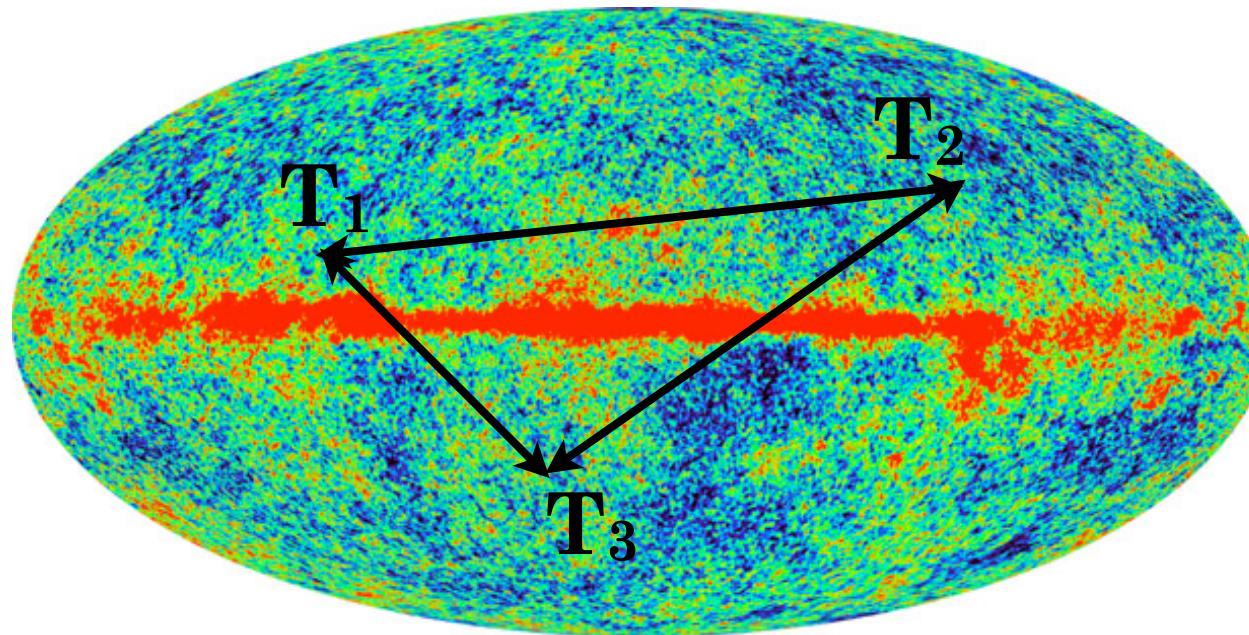
## Standard Inflation, with...

1. a single scalar field
2. the canonical kinetic term
3. always slow rolls
4. in Bunch-Davies vacuum
5. in Einstein gravity

produces **unobservable NG**

Therefore, measurement of nonzero NG would point to a **violation** of one of the assumptions above

# NG from 3-point correlation function



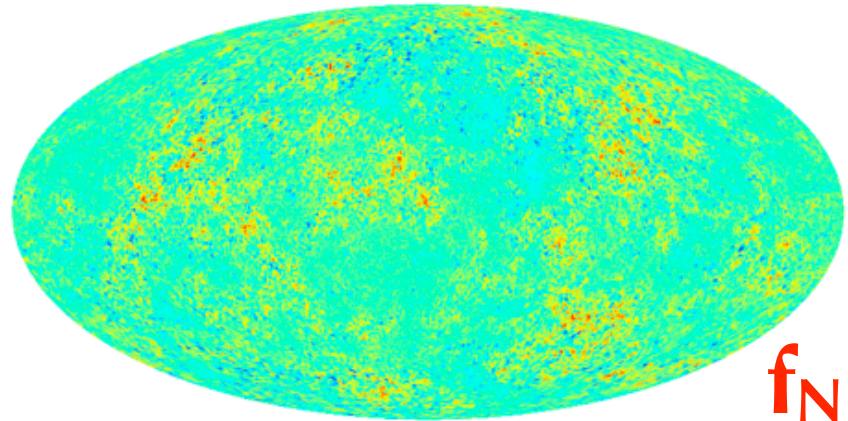
Commonly used “local” model of NG

$$\Phi = \Phi_G + f_{\text{NL}} (\Phi_G^2 - \langle \Phi_G^2 \rangle)$$

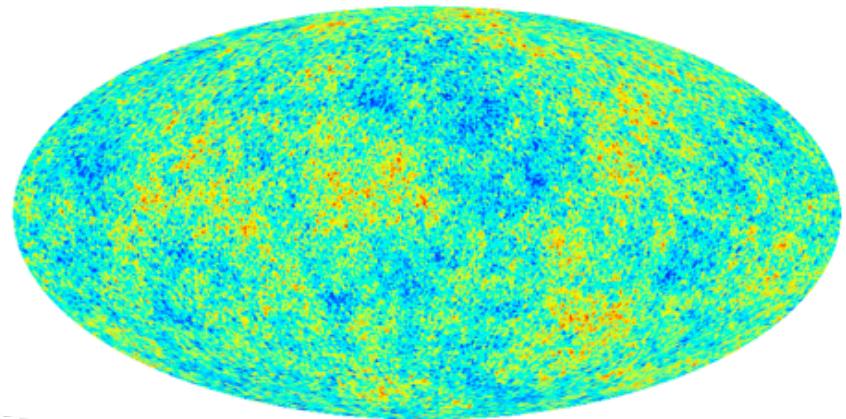
Salopek & Bond 1990; Verde et al 2000; Komatsu & Spergel 2001; Maldacena 2003

Then the 3-point function is related to  $f_{\text{NL}}$  via (in k-space)

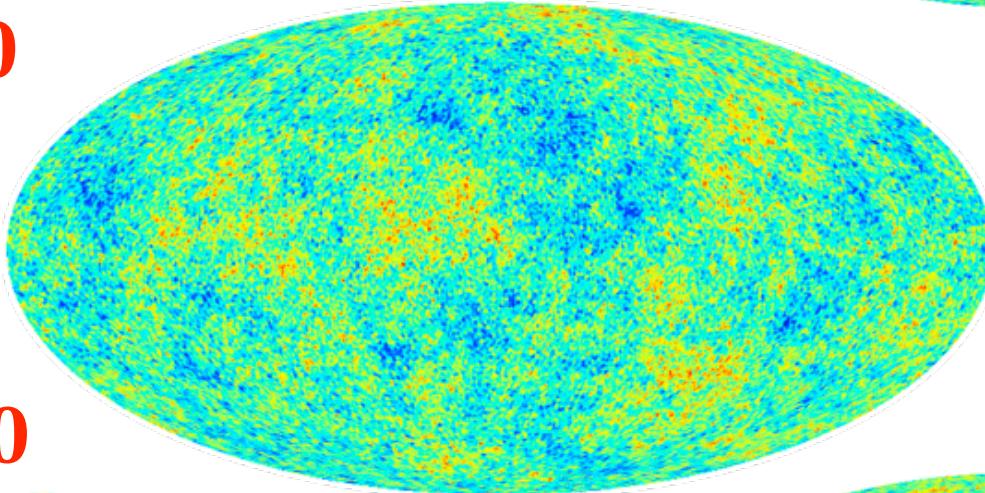
$$B(k_1, k_2, k_3) \sim f_{\text{NL}} [P(k_1)P(k_2) + \text{perm.}]$$



$f_{NL} = 0$

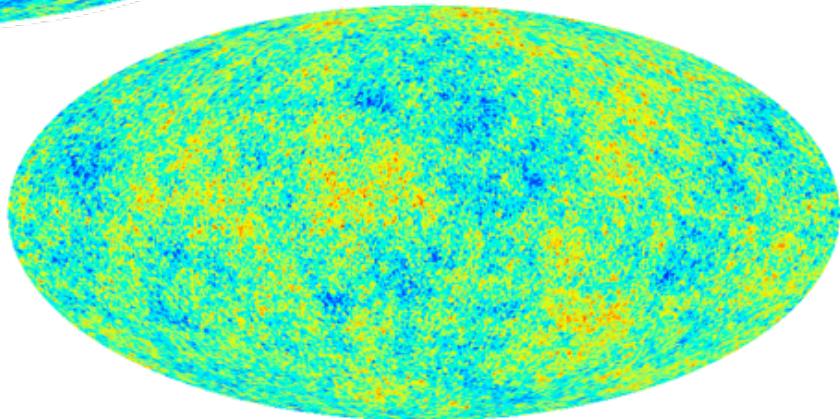
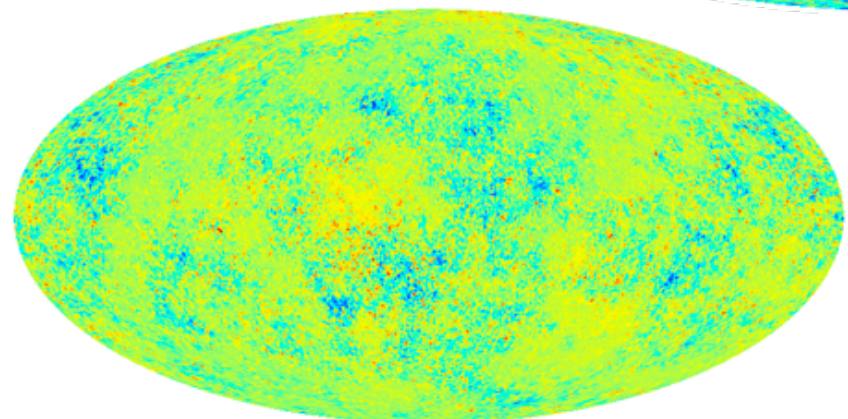


$f_{NL} = -500$



$f_{NL} = +5000$

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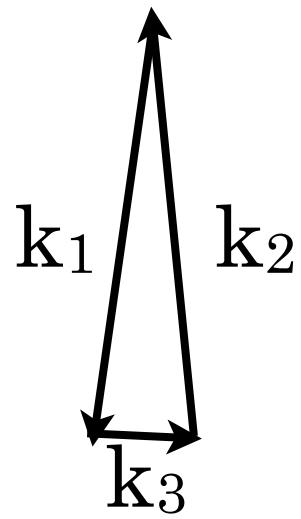


Using publicly available NG maps by Elsner & Wandelt

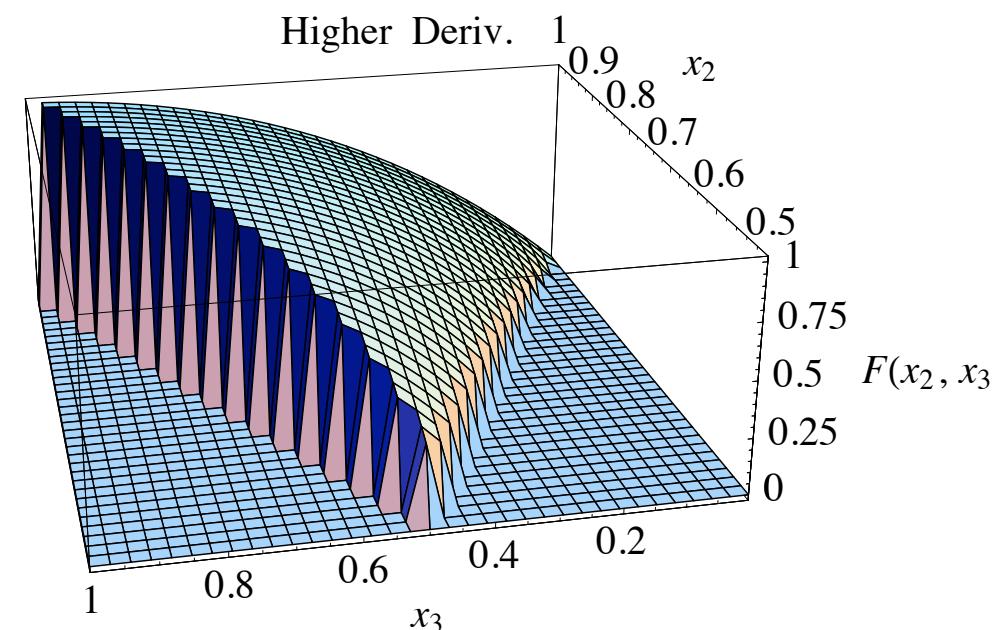
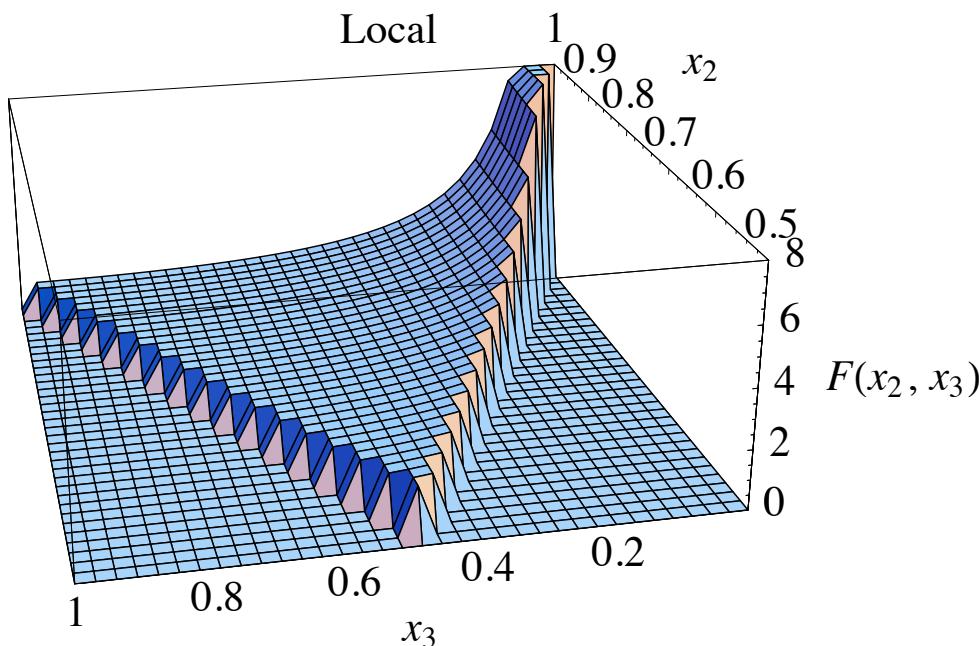
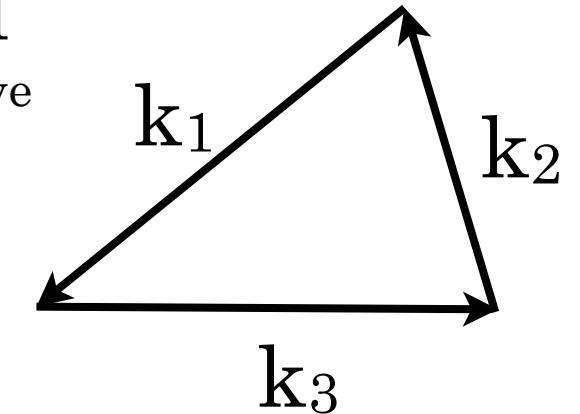
# 3-pt correlation function of CMB anisotropy ⇒ direct window into inflation

e.g. Luo & Schramm 1993

“local”  
(eg. from  
sharp features  
in  $V(\phi)$ )



“equilateral”  
(eg. higher-derivative  
action)



Babich, Creminelli & Zaldarriaga 2004

# Brief history of NG measurements: 1990's

Early 1990s; COBE: Gaussian CMB sky (Kogut et al 1996)

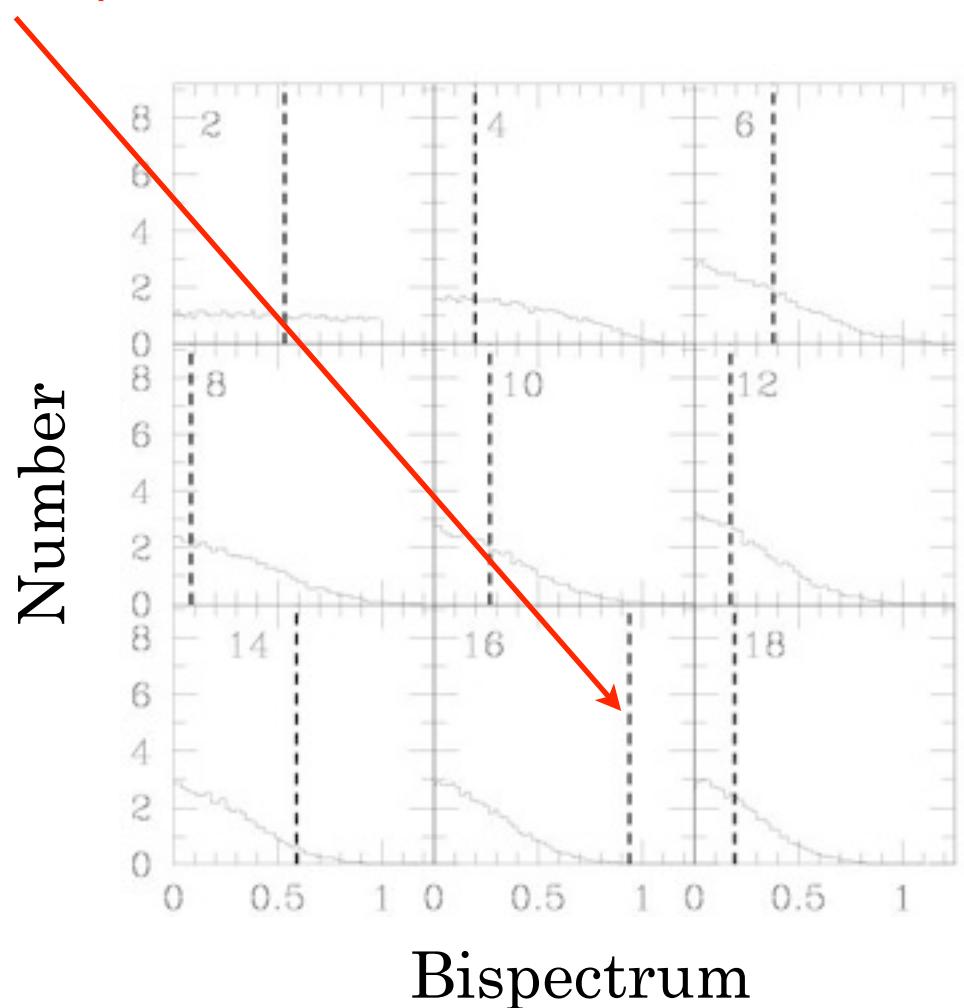
1998; COBE: claim of NG at  $l=16$  equilateral bispectrum

(Ferreira, Magueijo & Gorski 1998)

but explained by a known systematic effect!

(Banday, Zaroubi & Gorski 1999)

(and anyway isn't unexpected given all  
bispectrum configurations you can measure;  
Komatsu 2002)



# Brief history of NG measurements: 2000's

Pre-WMAP CMB: all is gaussian (e.g. MAXIMA; Wu et al 2001)

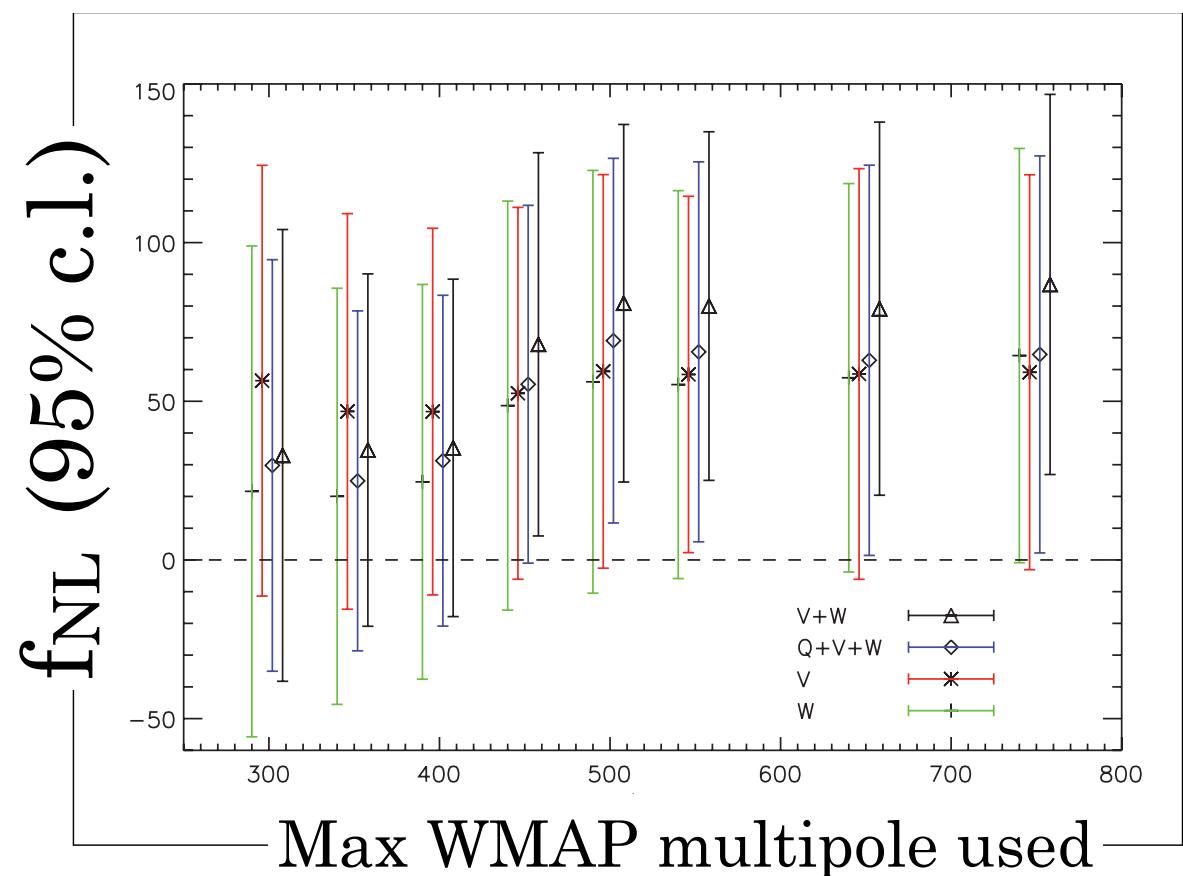
WMAP pre-2008: all is gaussian

(Komatsu et al. 2003; Creminelli, Senatore, Zaldarriaga & Tegmark 2007)

$-36 < f_{NL} < 100$  (95% CL)

Dec 2007, claim of NG in WMAP  
(Yadav & Wandelt arXiv:0712.1148)

$27 < f_{NL} < 147$  (95% CL)



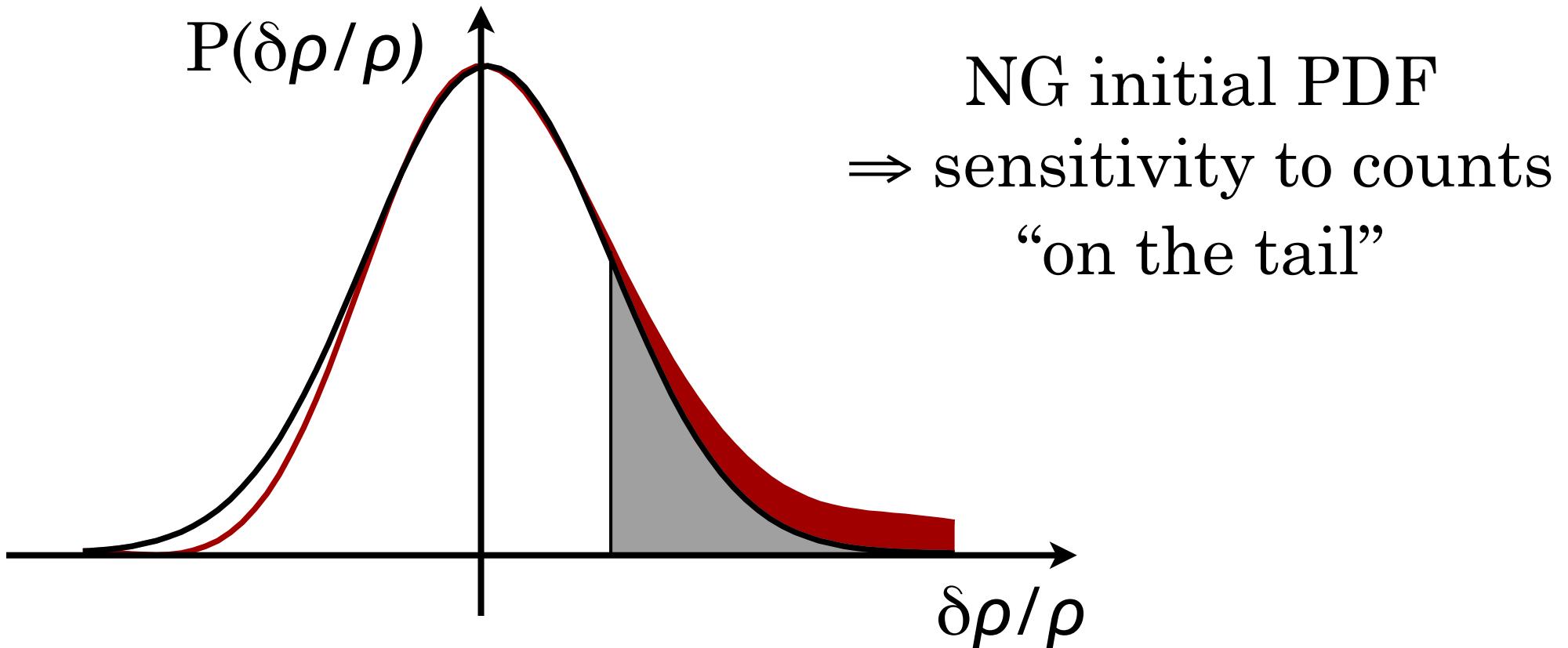
# Current constraints from WMAP

Band	Foreground <sup>b</sup>	$f_{NL}^{\text{local}}$	$f_{NL}^{\text{equil}}$	$f_{NL}^{\text{orthog}}$	$b_{src}$
V+W	Raw	$59 \pm 21$	$33 \pm 140$	$-199 \pm 104$	N/A
V+W	Clean	$42 \pm 21$	$29 \pm 140$	$-198 \pm 104$	N/A
V+W	Marg. <sup>c</sup>	$32 \pm 21$	$26 \pm 140$	$-202 \pm 104$	$-0.08 \pm 0.12$
V	Marg.	$43 \pm 24$	$64 \pm 150$	$-98 \pm 115$	$0.32 \pm 0.23$
W	Marg.	$39 \pm 24$	$36 \pm 154$	$-257 \pm 117$	$-0.13 \pm 0.19$

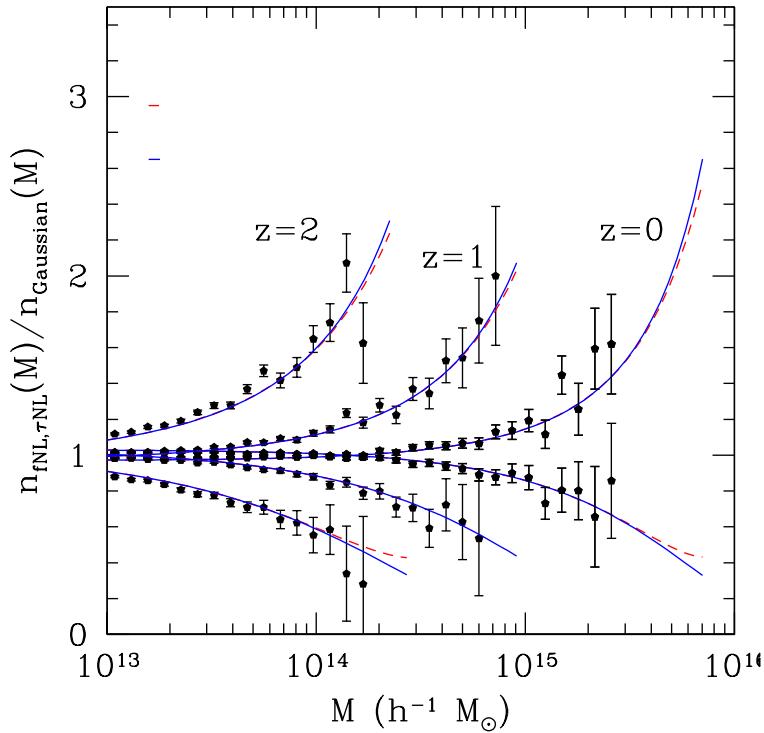
Komatsu et al. 2010

Future: much better constraints expected,  $\sigma(f_{NL}) < O(10)$  with Planck

# Galaxy cluster counts' sensitivity to NG



Lots of effort in the community to calibrate  
the **non-Gaussian mass function** -  
 $dn/d\ln M(M, z)$  - of DM halos  
(analytic extensions of Press-Schechter + simulations)



NG/Gaussian mass function ratios:  
for fixed  $M$ , more sensitivity  
at higher redshift

Smith & LoVerde 2011; Pillepich, Porciani and Hahn 2009;  
many others going back to 1990s

Unfortunately, cluster counts are **weakly**  
sensitive to NG

e.g. Sefusatti et al. 2007 forecasted the depressing  $\sigma(f_{NL})=145$  from SDSS  
e.g.  $\sigma(f_{NL})=450$  measured from SPT (Williamson et al 2010)

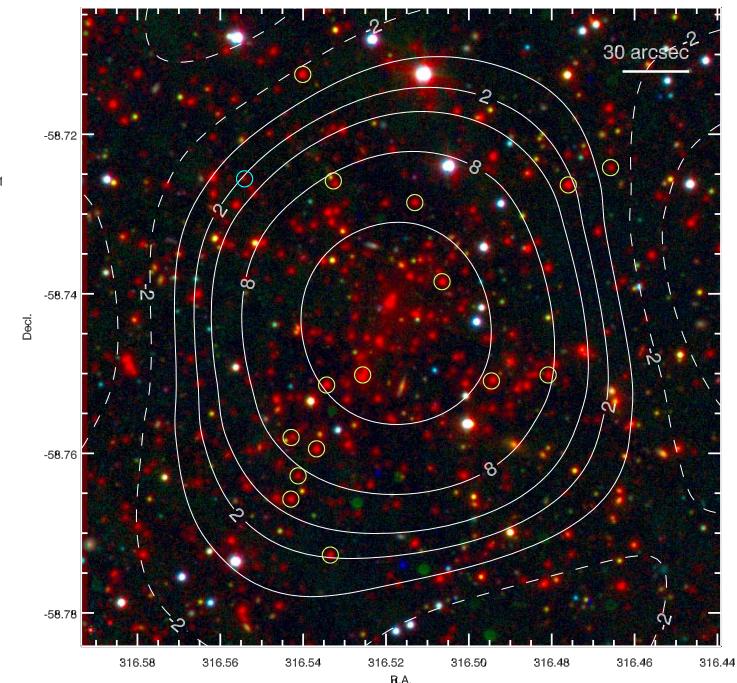
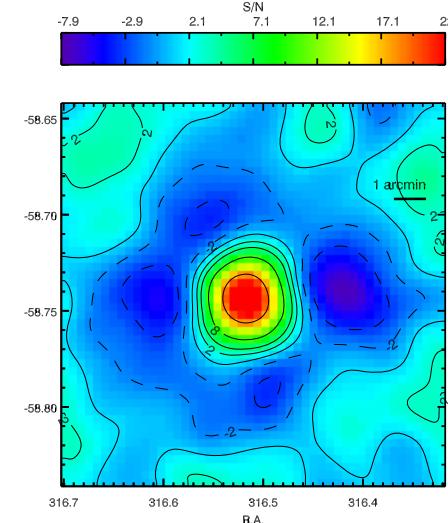
Nevertheless, it is true that a (large) amount of (local model) NG can boost the number of ‘pink elephant’ clusters

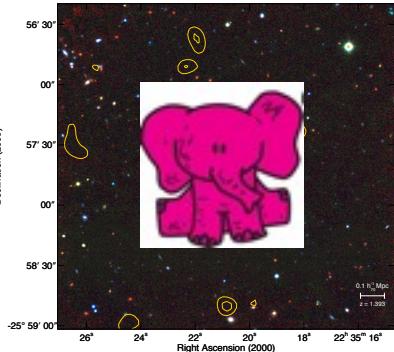
# High-z, high-M - "pink elephant" - clusters of galaxies

- SPT-CL J0546-5045:  $z=1.067$ ,  $M \approx (8.0 \pm 1.0) \cdot 10^{14} M_{\text{sun}}$
- XMMU J2235.3-2557:  $z=1.39$ ,  $M \approx (8.5 \pm 1.7) \cdot 10^{14} M_{\text{sun}}$
- SPT-CL J2106-8544:  $z=1.132$ ,  $M \approx (1.3 \pm 0.2) \cdot 10^{15} M_{\text{sun}}$

Some authors have claimed the existence of these clusters is in **conflict** with LCDM, but can be explained with (huge;  $f_{\text{NL}} \sim 500$ ) **non-Gaussianity**

Hoyle, Jimenez & Verde (2010);  
Cayon, Gordon & Silk (2010);  
Holz & Perlmutter 2010





# Are the pink elephants in conflict with LCDM?!

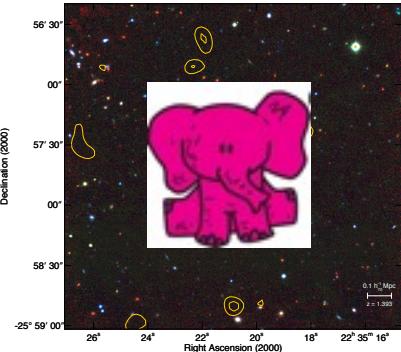
4 things to account for:

1. **Sample variance** - the Poisson noise in counting rare objects in a finite volume
2. **Parameter variance** - uncertainty due to fact that current data allow **cosmological parameters** to take a range of values
3. **Eddington bias** - mass measurement error will preferentially ‘scatter’ the cluster into higher mass
4. **Survey sky coverage** - needs to be fairly assessed

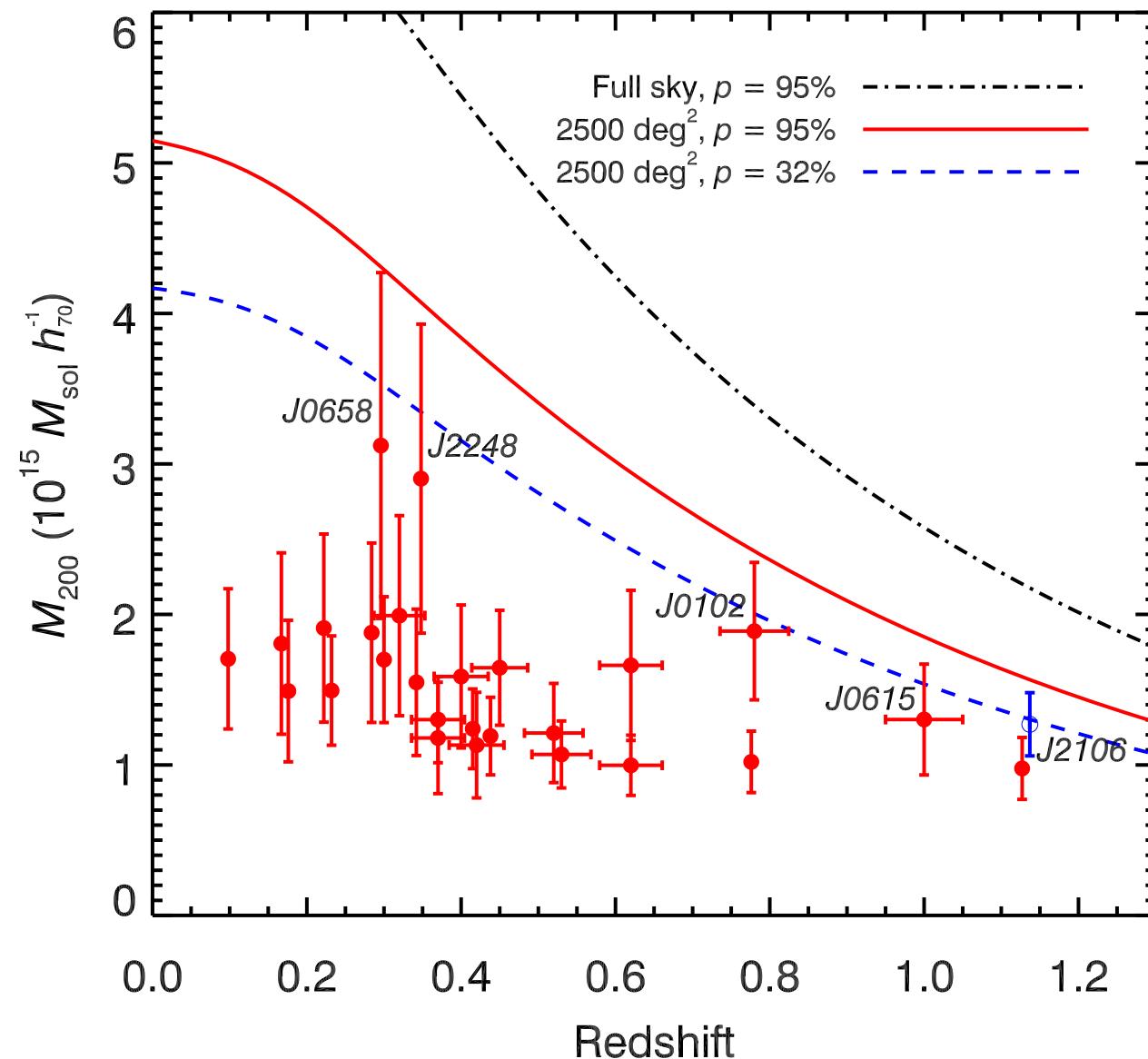
N.B. If a cluster rules out LCDM, it will rule out quintessence too!



**Mortonson, Hu & Huterer: arXiv:1004.0236**



No conflict - for now.

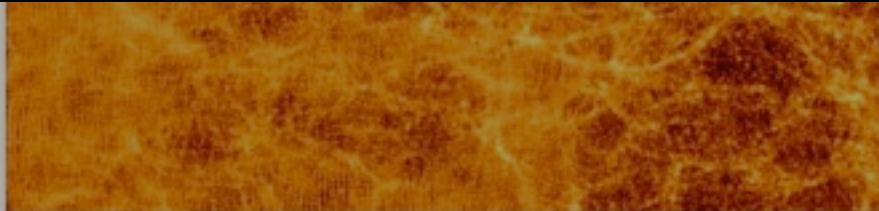


Foley et al 2011 arXiv:1101.1286 (SPT team);  
 Mortonson, Hu & Huterer: arXiv:1004.0236

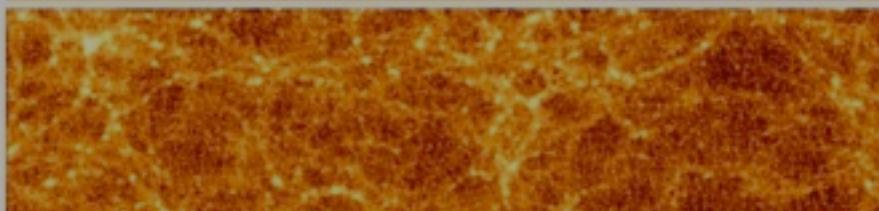
# **Effects of primordial NG on the bias of virialized objects**

# Simulations with nongaussianity ( $f_{NL}$ )

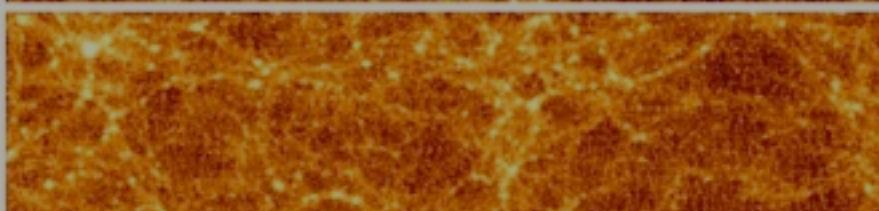
$f_{NL}=-5000$



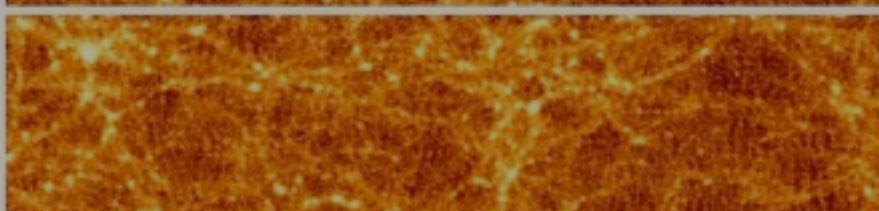
$f_{NL}=-500$



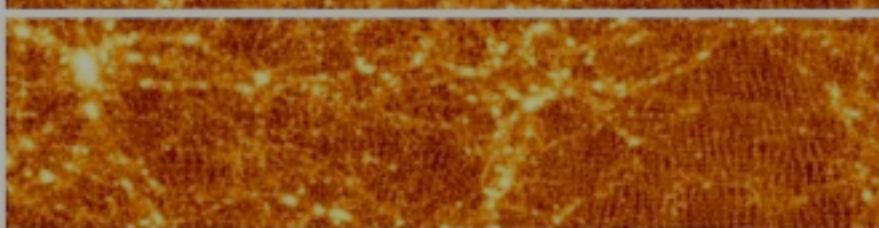
$f_{NL}=0$



$f_{NL}=+500$



$f_{NL}=+5000$



- Under-dense region evolution decrease with  $f_{NL}$
- Over-dense region evolution increase with  $f_{NL}$

80 Mpc/h

375 Mpc/h

- Same initial conditions, different  $f_{NL}$
- Slice through a box in a simulation  $N_{part}=512^3$ ,  $L=800$  Mpc/h

# Does galaxy/halo bias depend on NG?

$$P_h(k, z) = \boxed{b^2(k, z)} P_{\text{DM}}(k, z)$$

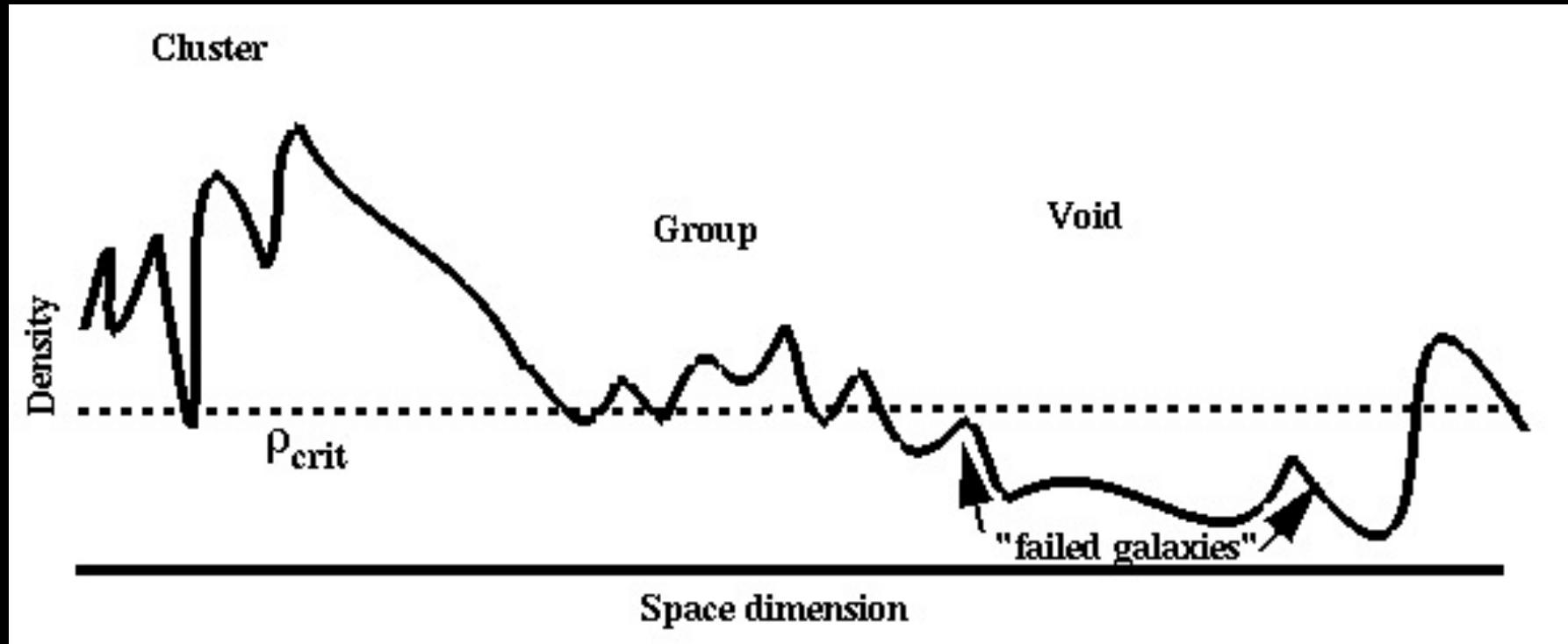
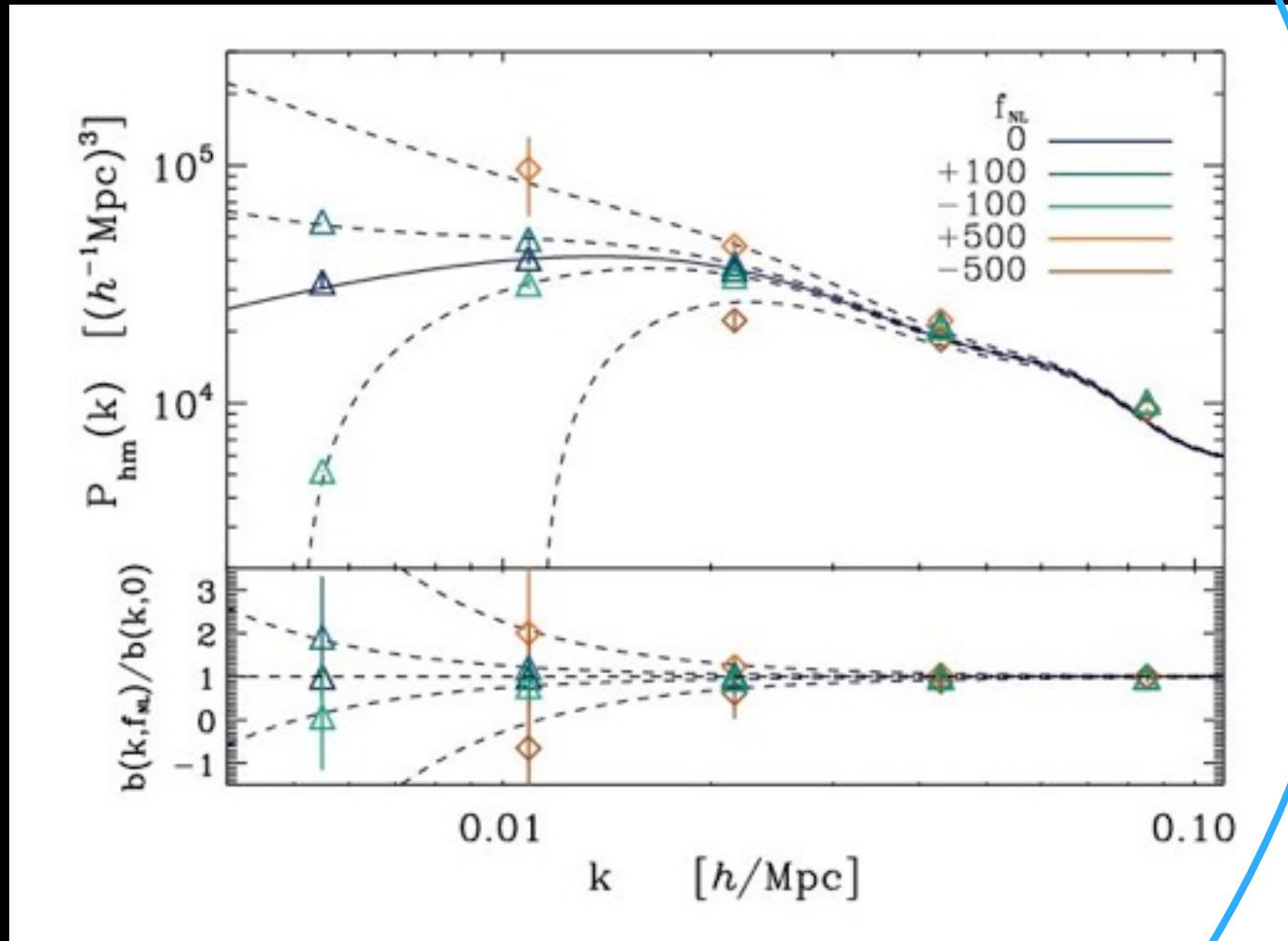


figure credit: Bill Keel

Simulations and theory both say: large-scale bias is scale-independent  
(theorem if halo abundance is function of local density)

# Scale dependence of NG halo bias!



$$b(k) = b_G + f_{\text{NL}} \frac{\text{const}}{k^2}$$

Dalal, Doré, Huterer & Shirokov 2008



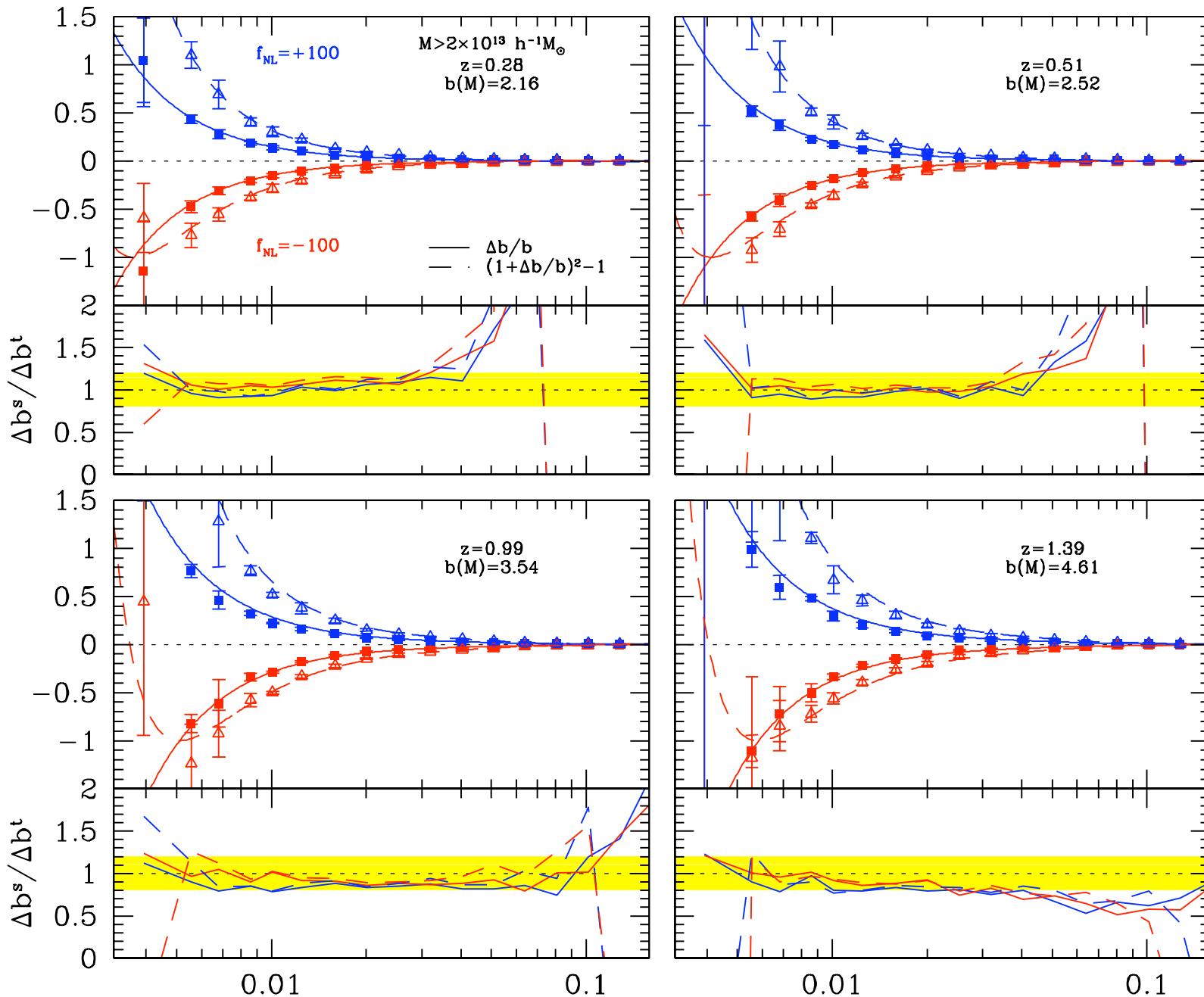
$$\Delta b(k) = f_{\text{NL}}(b_G - 1) \delta_c \frac{3 \Omega_M H_0^2}{T(k) D(a) k^2}$$

## Implications:

- ▶ Unique  $1/k^2$  scaling of bias; no free parameters
- ▶ Distinct from effect of other cosmo parameters
- ▶ Straightforwardly measured (clustering of any type of halo autocorrelation, cross-correlation with CMB,...)
- ▶ Derived theoretically several different ways
- ▶ Extensively tested with numerical simulations; good agreement found

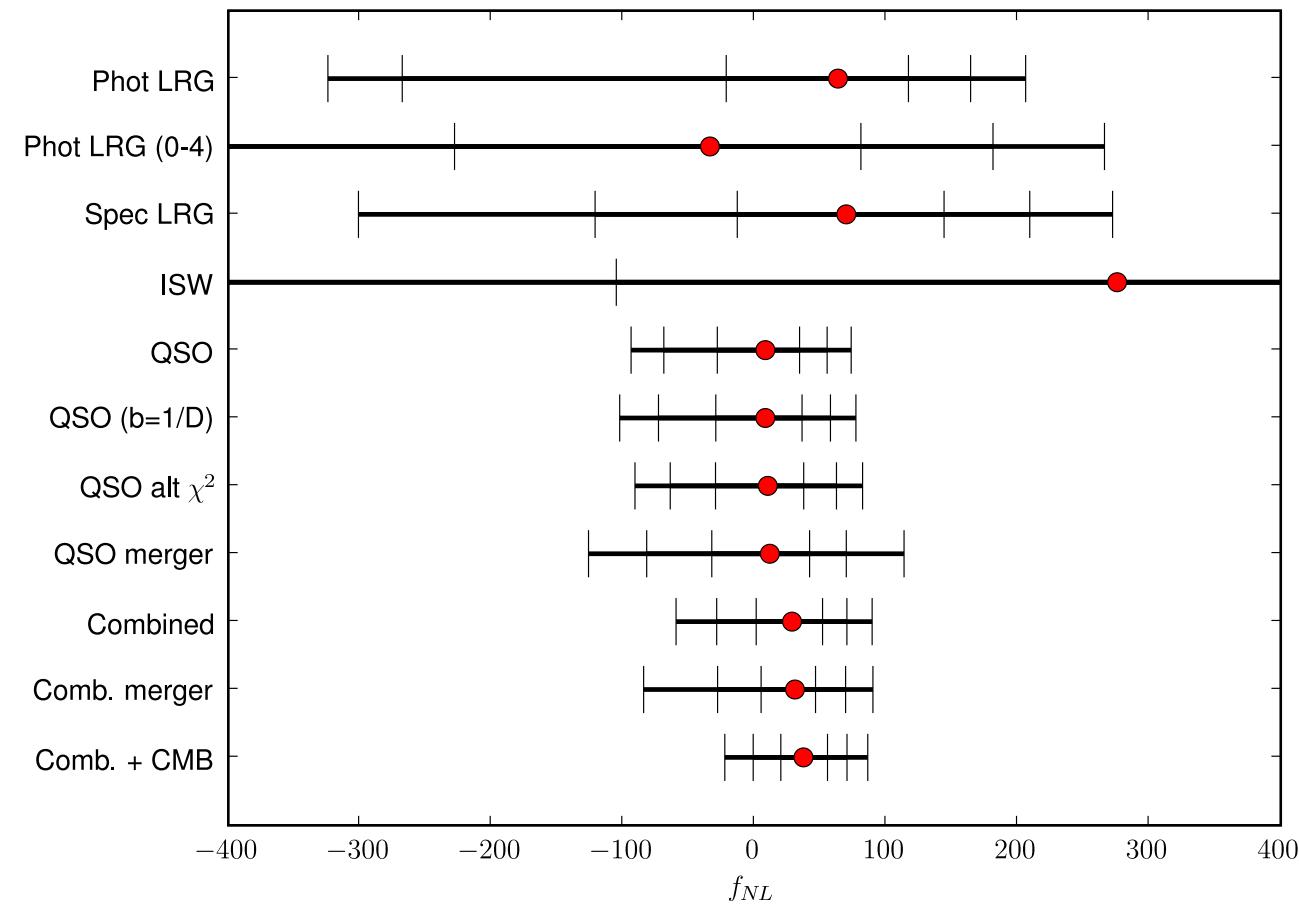
# Analytic and numerical results agree:

$$\Delta b(k) = 2 b_L f_{\text{NL}} \delta_c \frac{3}{2} \frac{\Omega_M H_0^2}{T(k) D(a) k^2}$$



Dalal et al 2008  
Desjacques et al 2009  
Grossi et al. 2009

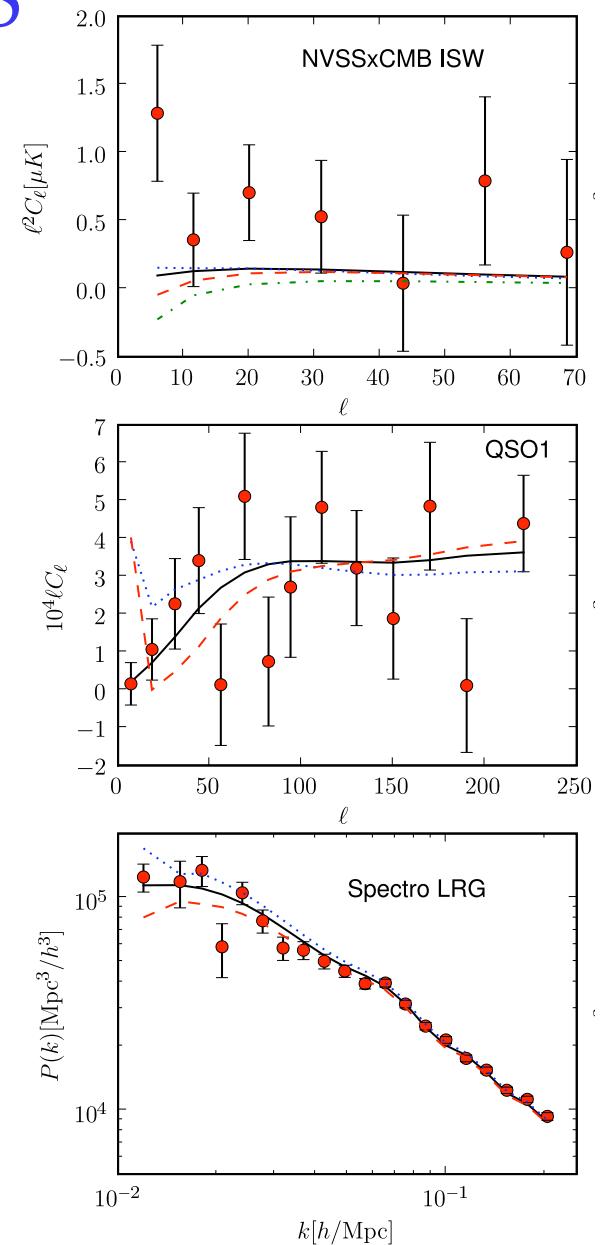
# Constraints from current data: SDSS



$f_{NL} = 8 \pm 30$  (68%, QSO)

$f_{NL} = 23 \pm 23$  (68%, all)

Slosar et al. 2008



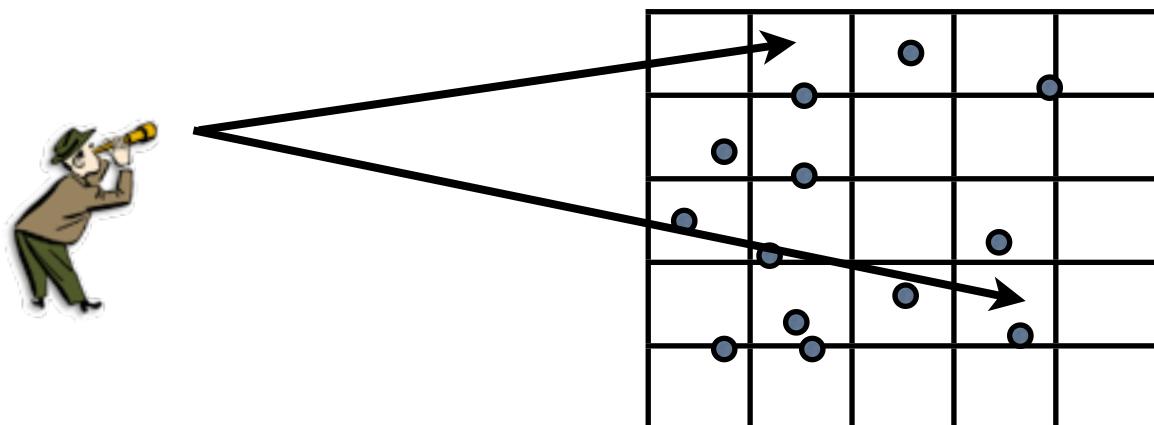
Future data forecasts for LSS:  $\sigma(f_{NL}) \approx O(\text{few})$   
(at least?) as good as, and highly complementary, to Planck CMB

# Nongaussianity from clustering of galaxy clusters



Cunha, Huterer & Doré 2010

- **Covariance** (i.e. clustering) between very distant clusters of galaxies is especially sensitive to primordial nongaussianity
- Improvement relative to counts alone: **2-3 orders of magnitude** in accuracy
- Improvement relative to *variance* of counts: >1 order of magnitude in accuracy
- In other words:
  - Good:** Counts ( $d^2N/dzd\Omega = r^2(z)/H(z)$ )
  - Better:** Variance (of counts in cells)
  - Best:** Covariance (of counts in cells)



N.B. calculation is numerically demanding even at the Fisher matrix level

# Nongaussianity from clustering of galaxy clusters

NG can survive marginalization over numerous systematic effects  
e.g:

- relation of mass of cluster and its observable quantity (T, flux, etc)
- redshift evolution of bias

## Dark Energy Survey cluster forecasts

Nuisance parameters		Marginalized errors—Full Covariance								
		Counts			Covariance			Counts + Covariance		
Halo bias	$M_{\text{obs}}$	$\sigma(\Omega_{\text{DE}})$	$\sigma(w)$	$\sigma(f_{\text{NL}})$	$\sigma(\Omega_{\text{DE}})$	$\sigma(w)$	$\sigma(f_{\text{NL}})$	$\sigma(\Omega_{\text{DE}})$	$\sigma(w)$	$\sigma(f_{\text{NL}})$
Marginalized	Marginalized	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	0.069	0.23	<b>6.0</b>
Known	Marginalized	0.097	0.33	<b><math>2.1 \times 10^3</math></b>	0.13	0.43	<b>12</b>	0.065	0.22	<b>5.4</b>
Marginalized	Known	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	0.099	0.34	<b>7.0</b>	0.0036	0.014	<b>3.8</b>
Known	Known	0.0051	0.023	<b>94</b>	0.042	0.13	<b>5.1</b>	0.0036	0.014	<b>1.8</b>

Counts (1-pt function) mainly probe DE parameters  
Covariance (2-pt function) mainly probes  $f_{\text{NL}}$



# Scale-dependent nongaussianity? Generalized local ansatz

Becker, Huterer & Kadota, 2011 + in prep.

- Motivated by single- and multi-field inflation  $\Rightarrow$  see Shandera talk
- In general, even if you are considering standard single-field inflation, interactions may lead to scale-dependence of  $f_{\text{NL}}$

(Usual) local model...

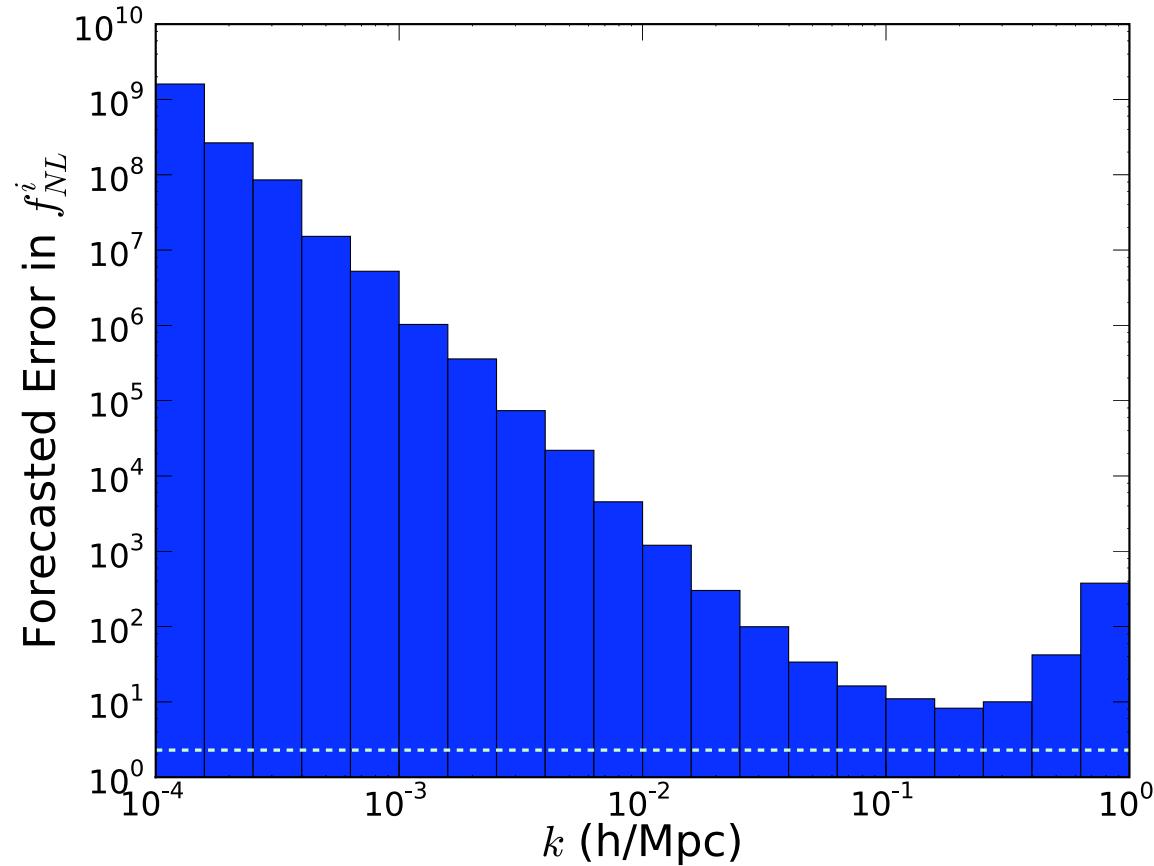
$$\Phi(x) = \phi_G(x) + f_{\text{NL}} [\phi_G^2(x) - \langle \phi_G^2 \rangle]$$

...we generalize to a scale dependent (non-local) model

$$\Phi(x) = \phi_G(x) + f_{\text{NL}}(x)* [\phi_G^2(x) - \langle \phi_G^2 \rangle]$$

$$\Phi(k) = \phi_G(k) + f_{\text{NL}}(k) \int \frac{d^3 k'}{(2\pi)^3} \phi_G(k') \phi_G(k - k')$$

# A complete basis for $f_{NL}(k)$ : piecewise-constant bins



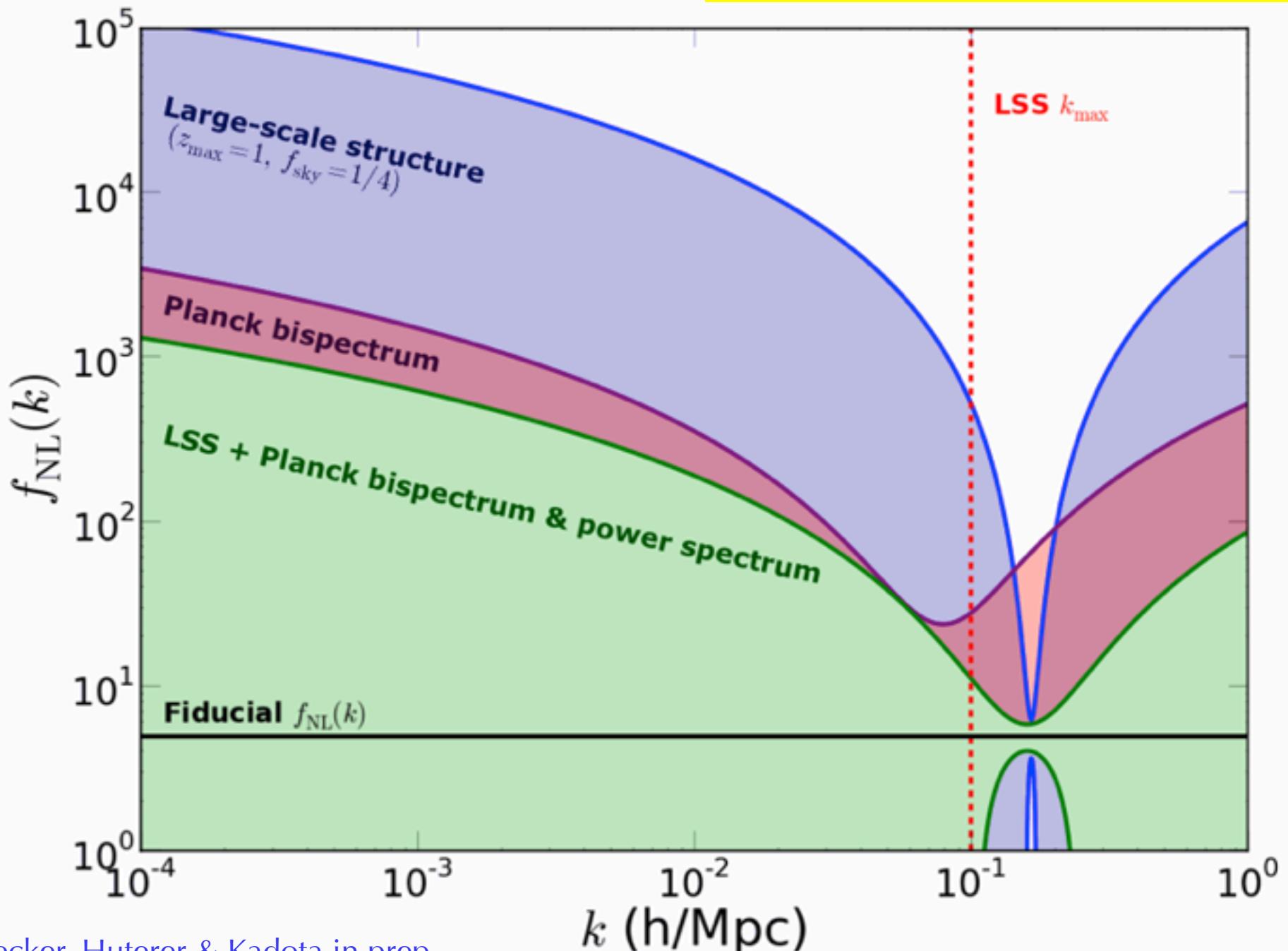
Measurement forecasts  
from  
DES-type survey

Given this basis, projecting forecasts onto any  
parametrized  $f_{NL}(k)$  model is now trivial

Warning, however: theoretical predictions are uncertain and  
(always!) have to be checked with simulations first

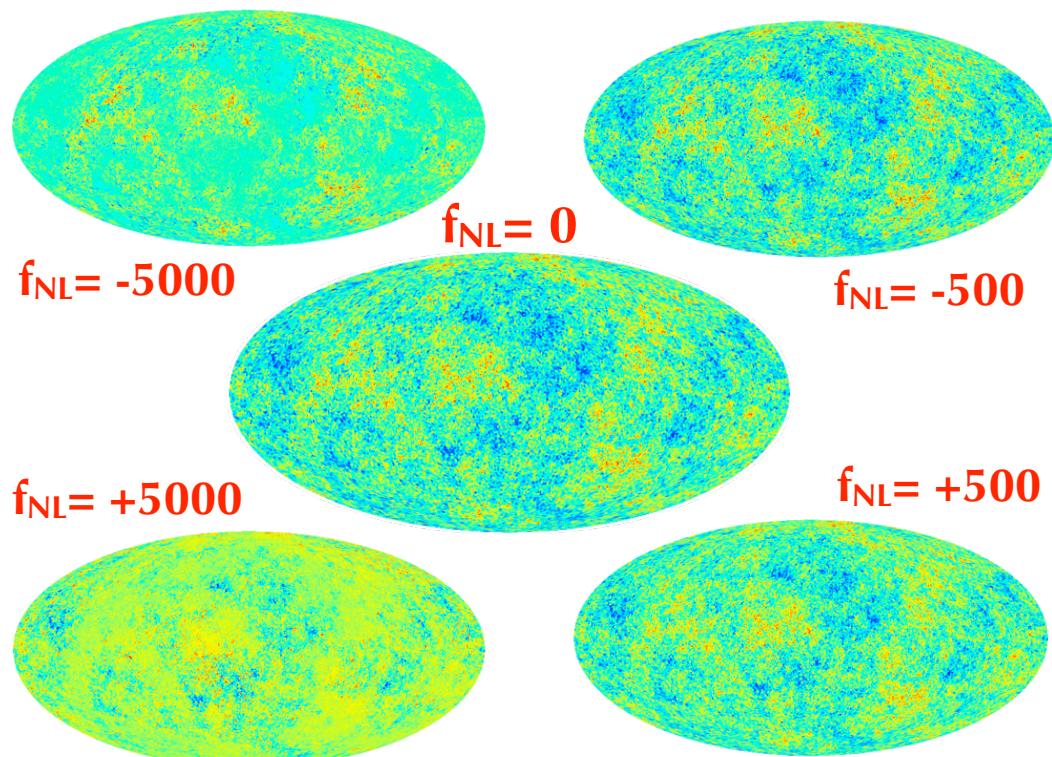
# CMB, LSS, and CMB+LSS forecasts

$$f_{\text{NL}}(k) = f_{\text{NL}}(k_*) \left(\frac{k}{k_*}\right)^{n_f}$$

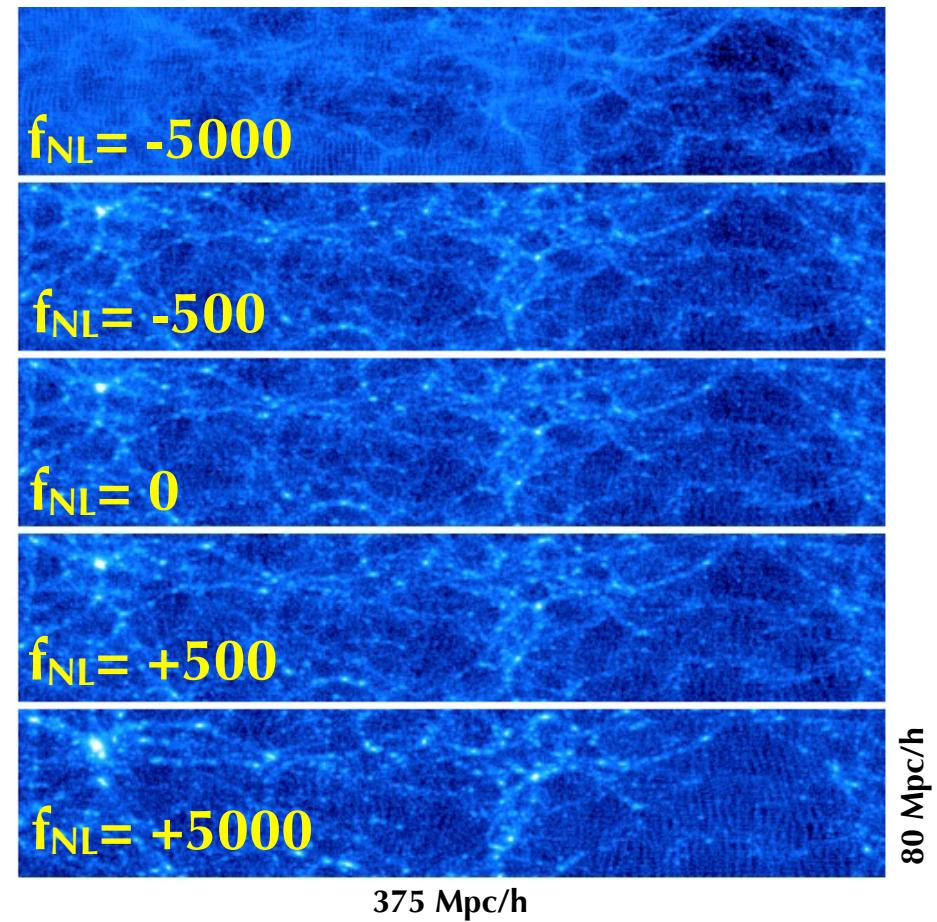


# CMB+LSS: Cosmic Complementarity

different observations on different scales with different systematics  
but measuring the same fundamental quantities



CMB



LSS

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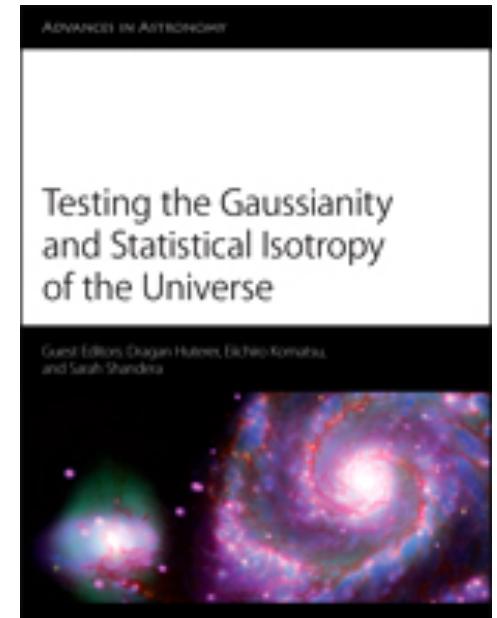
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