

# Non-Gaussianity

General modal approach to

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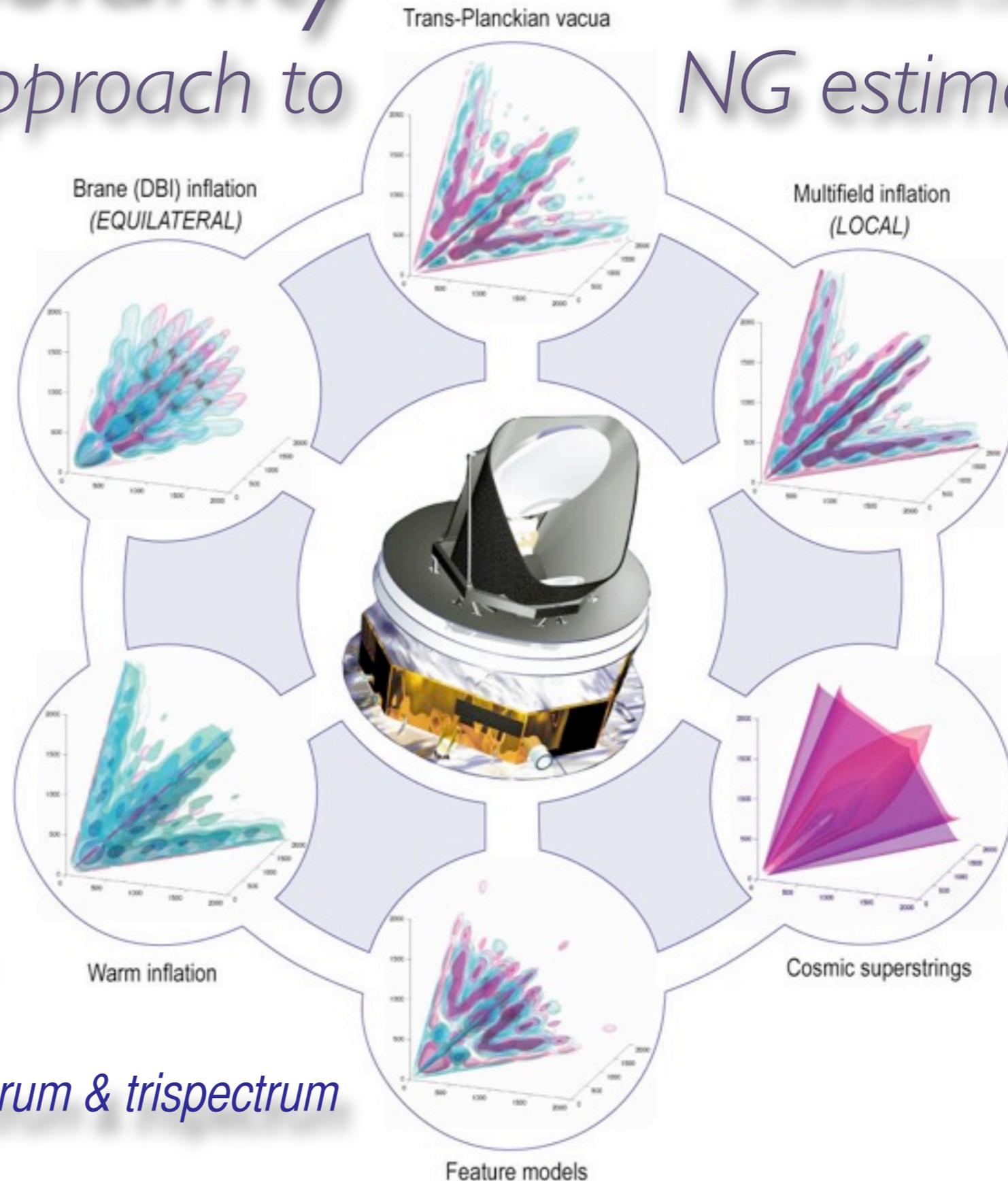
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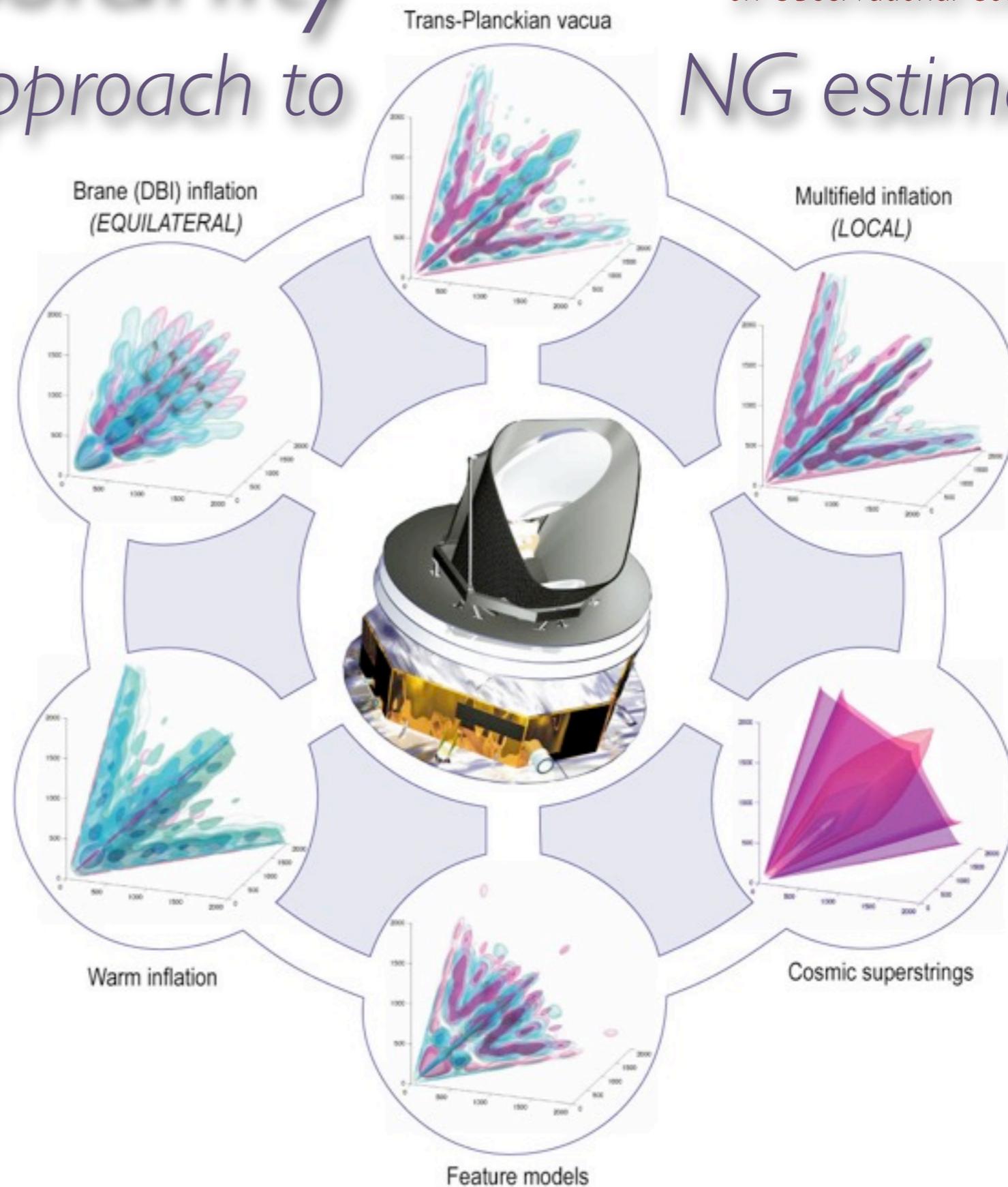
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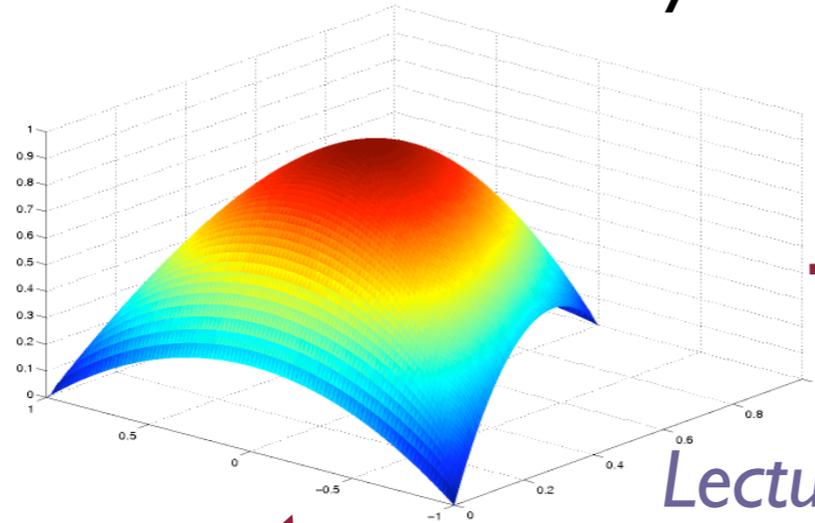
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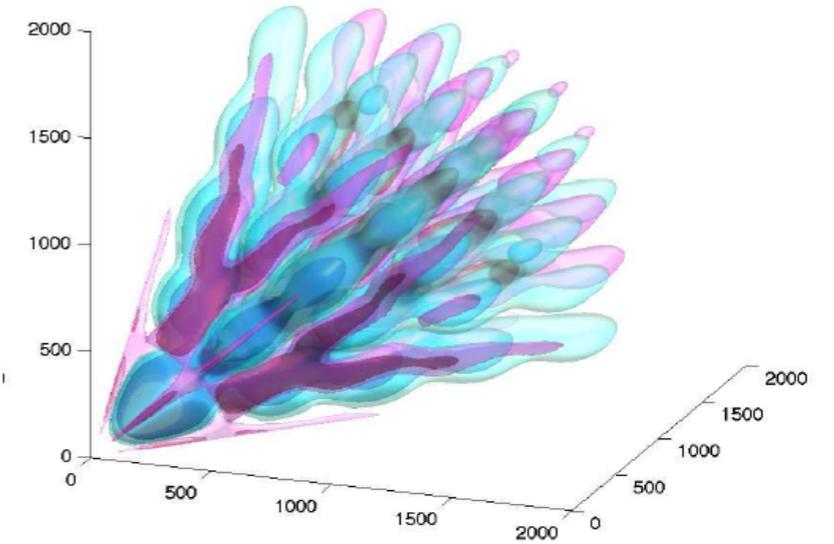
# Overview

*Primordial non-Gaussianity*

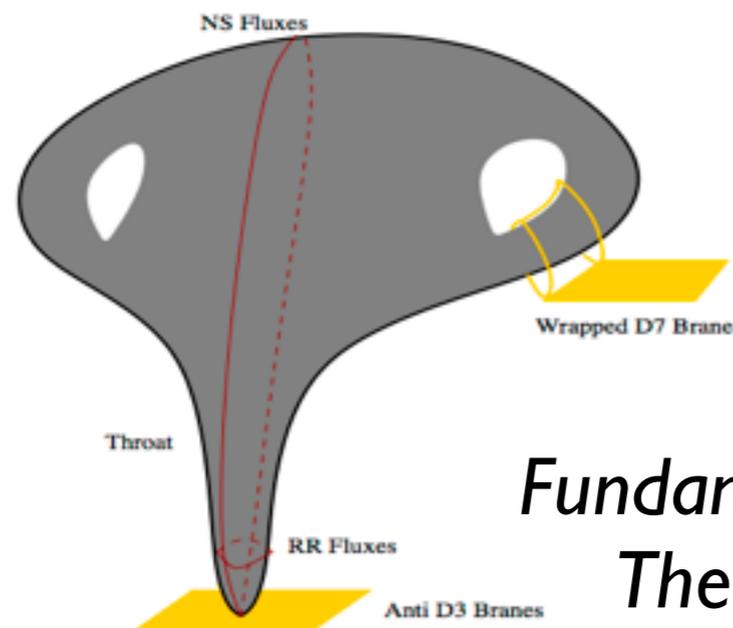


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*CMB (or LSS) fingerprint*

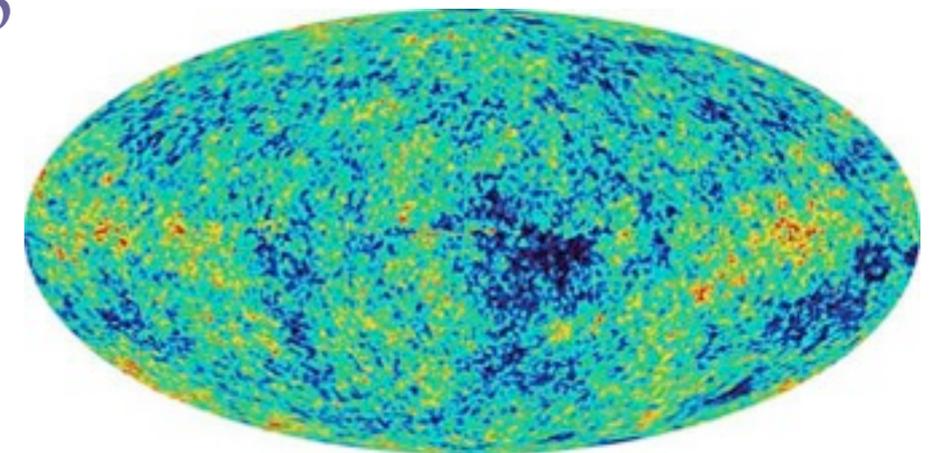


Lecture 2



*Fundamental Theory*

Lecture 3



*Observational Data*

# BACKGROUND

- The primordial bispectrum and trispectrum\* are defined by

$$\langle \Phi(\mathbf{k}_1)\Phi(\mathbf{k}_2)\Phi(\mathbf{k}_3) \rangle = (2\pi)^3 \delta(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_3) B(k_1, k_2, k_3)$$

$$\langle \Phi(\mathbf{k}_1)\Phi(\mathbf{k}_2)\Phi(\mathbf{k}_3)\Phi(\mathbf{k}_4) \rangle = (2\pi)^3 \delta(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_3 + \mathbf{k}_4) T(k_1, k_2, k_3, k_4)$$

- For the CMB the bispectrum and trispectrum\* are defined by

$$\langle a_{l_1 m_1} a_{l_2 m_2} a_{l_3 m_3} \rangle = \left( \int d^2 \hat{n} Y_{l_1 m_1}(\hat{n}) Y_{l_2 m_2}(\hat{n}) Y_{l_3 m_3}(\hat{n}) \right) b_{l_1 l_2 l_3}$$

$$\langle a_{l_1 m_1} a_{l_2 m_2} a_{l_3 m_3} a_{l_4 m_4} \rangle = \left( \int d^2 \hat{n} Y_{l_1 m_1}(\hat{n}) Y_{l_2 m_2}(\hat{n}) Y_{l_3 m_3}(\hat{n}) Y_{l_4 m_4}(\hat{n}) \right) t_{l_1 l_2 l_3 l_4}$$

\* Here we are considering for simplicity only diagonal free trispectra. In general isotropic trispectra depend on 6 parameters, (to uniquely define the quadrilateral) eg. 4 lengths and 2 angles. All statements we will make can be extended to general trispectra but my equations are long enough already.

# BACKGROUND

- The two are related by a projection by transfer functions

$$\langle a_{l_1 m_1} \dots a_{l_p m_p} \rangle = \int \frac{d^3 k_1}{(2\pi)^3} \dots \frac{d^3 k_p}{(2\pi)^3} \langle \phi(\mathbf{k}_1) \dots \phi(\mathbf{k}_p) \rangle \Delta_{l_1}(k_1) \dots \Delta_{l_p}(k_p) Y_{l_1 m_1}(\hat{\mathbf{k}}_1) \dots Y_{l_p m_p}(\hat{\mathbf{k}}_p)$$

- The delta function in the primordial definition can be

$$\begin{aligned} \text{expanded as } \delta\left(\sum_1^p \mathbf{k}_i\right) &= \int d^3 x e^{i\mathbf{x} \cdot (\sum_1^p \mathbf{k}_i)} \\ &= 4\pi \sum_{l'_i m'_i} \left( \int x^2 dx j_{l'_1}(k_1 x) \dots j_{l'_p}(k_p x) \right) \left( \int d^2 \hat{\mathbf{x}} Y_{l'_1 m'_1}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) \dots Y_{l'_p m'_p}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) \right) Y_{l'_1 m'_1}(\hat{\mathbf{k}}_1) \dots Y_{l'_p m'_p}(\hat{\mathbf{k}}_p) \end{aligned}$$

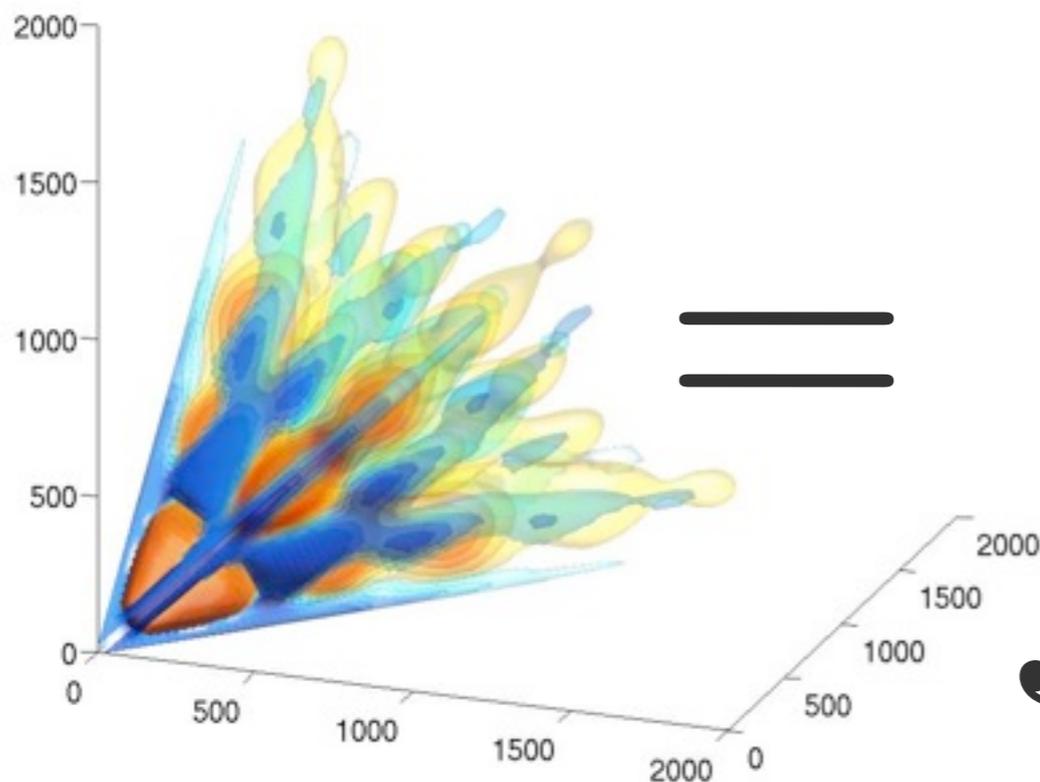
- The reduced quantities are then related by

$$b_{l_1 l_2 l_3} = \left(\frac{2}{\pi}\right)^3 \int x^2 dx \int dk_1 dk_2 dk_3 (k_1 k_2 k_3)^2 B(k_1, k_2, k_3) \Delta_{l_1}(k_1) \Delta_{l_2}(k_2) \Delta_{l_3}(k_3) j_{l_1}(xk_1) j_{l_2}(xk_2) j_{l_3}(xk_3)$$

$$t_{l_1 l_2 l_3 l_4} = \left(\frac{2}{\pi}\right)^4 \int x^2 dx \int dk_1 dk_2 dk_3 dk_4 (k_1 k_2 k_3 k_4)^2 T(k_1, k_2, k_3, k_4) \Delta_{l_1}(k_1) \Delta_{l_2}(k_2) \Delta_{l_3}(k_3) \Delta_{l_4}(k_4) j_{l_1}(xk_1) \dots$$

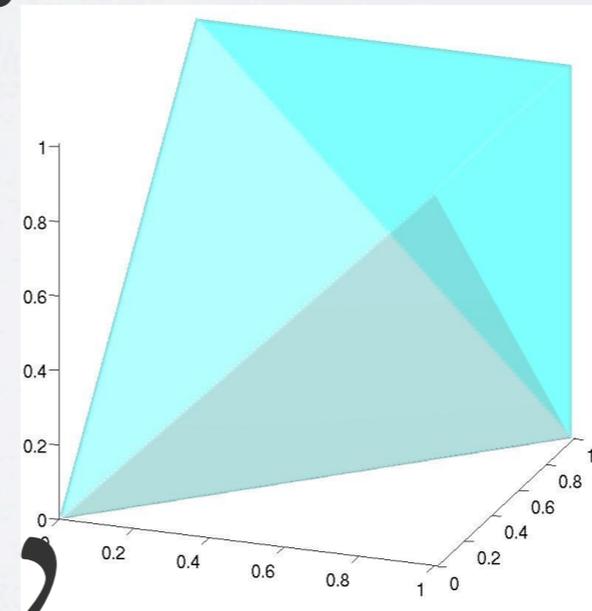
# BACKGROUND

$$b_{l_1 l_2 l_3} = \left(\frac{2}{\pi}\right)^3 \int_{\mathcal{V}_k} \left( k_1^2 k_2^2 k_3^2 B(k_1, k_2, k_3) \right) \\ \times \left( \Delta_{l_1}(k_1) \Delta_{l_2}(k_2) \Delta_{l_3}(k_3) \int x^2 dx j_{l_1}(xk_1) j_{l_2}(xk_2) j_{l_3}(xk_3) \right)$$

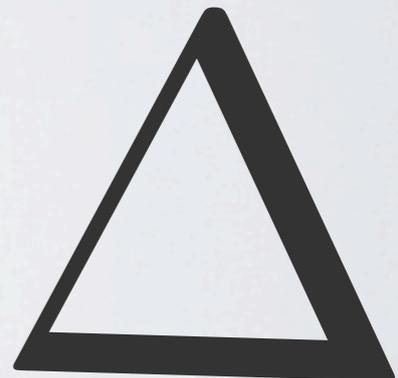


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# BACKGROUND

For a general polyspectrum the estimator takes the general form

$$\mathcal{E} = \sum_{l_i m_i l'_i m'_i} \frac{\langle a_{l_1 m_1} \dots a_{l_p m_p} \rangle_{f_{NL}=1} C_{l_1 m_1 l'_1 m'_1}^{-1} \dots C_{l_p m_p l'_p m'_p}^{-1} \left( a_{l'_1 m'_1} \dots a_{l'_p m'_p} - \text{“Linear”} \right)}{\langle a_{l_1 m_1} \dots a_{l_p m_p} \rangle_{f_{NL}=1} C_{l_1 m_1 l'_1 m'_1}^{-1} \dots C_{l_p m_p l'_p m'_p}^{-1} \langle a_{l'_1 m'_1} \dots a_{l'_p m'_p} \rangle_{f_{NL}=1}}$$

where “Linear” will be explained later.

$$\mathcal{E} = \left[ \text{3D plot of } \langle a_{l_1 m_1} \dots a_{l_p m_p} \rangle_{f_{NL}=1} \right] \times \left[ \text{Galaxy map} \right] / \left[ \text{3D plot of } \langle a_{l'_1 m'_1} \dots a_{l'_p m'_p} \rangle_{f_{NL}=1} \right]^2$$

# BACKGROUND

This is very very difficult to calculate in general as it is a sum over  $l^{2p}$  elements which are themselves difficult to calculate

$$\mathcal{E} = \sum_{l_i m_i l'_i m'_i} \frac{\langle a_{l_1 m_1} \cdots a_{l_p m_p} \rangle_{f_{NL}=1} C_{l_1 m_1 l'_1 m'_1}^{-1} \cdots C_{l_p m_p l'_p m'_p}^{-1} \left( a_{l'_1 m'_1} \cdots a_{l'_p m'_p} - \text{“Linear”} \right)}{\langle a_{l_1 m_1} \cdots a_{l_p m_p} \rangle_{f_{NL}=1} C_{l_1 m_1 l'_1 m'_1}^{-1} \cdots C_{l_p m_p l'_p m'_p}^{-1} \langle a_{l'_1 m'_1} \cdots a_{l'_p m'_p} \rangle_{f_{NL}=1}}$$

$$\langle a_{l_1 m_1} a_{l_2 m_2} a_{l_3 m_3} \rangle = \left( \int d^2 \hat{n} Y_{l_1 m_1}(\hat{n}) Y_{l_2 m_2}(\hat{n}) Y_{l_3 m_3}(\hat{n}) \right) b_{l_1 l_2 l_3}$$

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# BACKGROUND

- The only quantity that connects different  $l$  in the estimator is the CMB polyspectrum. And the only reason they are connected is through the corresponding primordial polyspectrum. All other parts are functions of a single  $k$  or  $l$
- If we could write the primordial bispectra as the product of functions of single  $k$  then all the equations simplify.

$$b_{l_1 l_2 l_3} = \left(\frac{2}{\pi}\right)^3 \int_{\mathcal{V}_k} \left( k_1^2 k_2^2 k_3^2 B(k_1, k_2, k_3) \right) \\ \times \left( \Delta_{l_1}(k_1) \Delta_{l_2}(k_2) \Delta_{l_3}(k_3) \int x^2 dx j_{l_1}(xk_1) j_{l_2}(xk_2) j_{l_3}(xk_3) \right)$$

# SEPARABILITY

- The result is compact expressions of which the hardest to evaluate is only 3D

$$B(k_1, k_2, k_3) = X(k_1)Y(k_2)Z(k_3) + 5 \text{ permutations.}$$

$$b_{l_1 l_2 l_3} = \int x^2 dx \tilde{X}_{l_1}(x) \tilde{Y}_{l_2}(x) \tilde{Z}_{l_3}(x) + 5 \text{ permutations}$$

$$\mathcal{E} = \frac{1}{N} \int d^3 x M_X(\mathbf{x}) M_Y(\mathbf{x}) M_Z(\mathbf{x})$$

$$\tilde{X}_l(x) = \int k^2 dk X(k) \Delta_l(k) j_l(kx) \quad M_X(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{lm} \tilde{X}_l(x) Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) \sum_{l'm'} C_{lm l'm'}^{-1} a_{l'm'}$$

# LINEAR TERM

- The linear term for the bispectrum is

$$3 \langle a_{l_1 m_1} a_{l_2 m_2} \rangle a_{l_3 m_3}$$

Including it, the estimator becomes

$$\mathcal{E} = \frac{1}{N} \int d^3 x (M_X(\mathbf{x}) M_Y(\mathbf{x}) M_Z(\mathbf{x}) - 3 \langle M_X(\mathbf{x}) M_Y(\mathbf{x}) \rangle M_Z(\mathbf{x}))$$

and rather than calculate the full covariance matrix we just need to calculate the average of the product map.

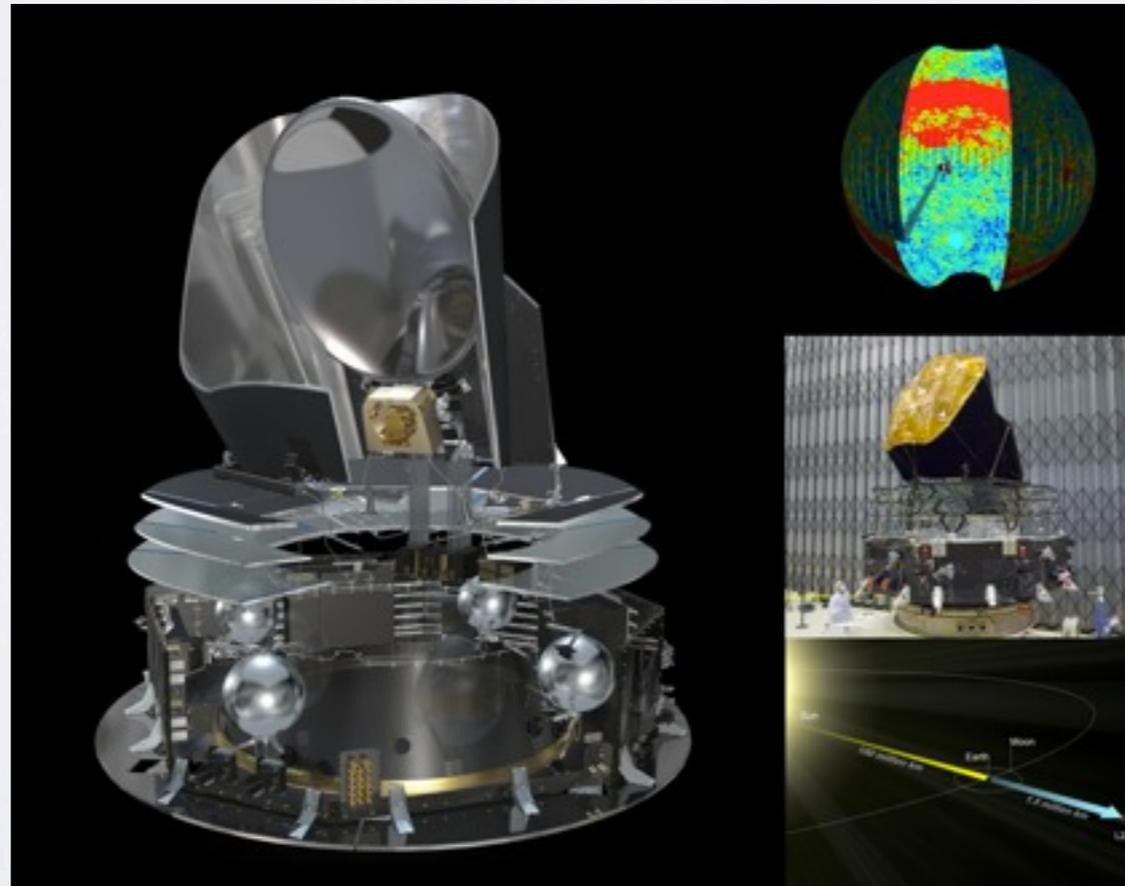
$$M_X(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{lm} \tilde{X}_l(x) Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) \sum_{l'm'} C_{lm l'm'}^{-1} a_{l'm'}$$

# EXPERIMENTAL EFFECTS?

- In a real experiment we must include the effect of beams noise and the mask

$$b_{l_1 l_2 l_3} \rightarrow f_{sky} b_{l_1} b_{l_2} b_{l_3} b_{l_1 l_2 l_3}$$

$$C_l \rightarrow f_{sky} (b_l^2 C_l + N_l)$$



# SHAPE FUNCTION

- We wish to find a separable representation for the primordial bispectrum. As the bispectrum will be scale (or pseudo scale) invariant (ie  $B(k, k, k) \propto k^{-6}$ ) it make sense to weight it before decomposition to flatten it out. Remembering

$$b_{l_1 l_2 l_3} = \left(\frac{2}{\pi}\right)^3 \int_{\mathcal{V}_k} \left( k_1^2 k_2^2 k_3^2 B(k_1, k_2, k_3) \right) \\ \times \left( \Delta_{l_1}(k_1) \Delta_{l_2}(k_2) \Delta_{l_3}(k_3) \int x^2 dx j_{l_1}(xk_1) j_{l_2}(xk_2) j_{l_3}(xk_3) \right)$$

we see that we have a factor  $(k_1 k_2 k_3)^2$  in front of the primordial bispectrum so we use it to divide out the scale defining a shape function:

$$S(k_1, k_2, k_3) = (k_1 k_2 k_3)^2 B(k_1, k_2, k_3)$$

# ORTHONORMAL BASIS

What we would like is a basis which is both separable and orthonormal (for a suitable inner product) to expand the shape function in

$$S(k_1, k_2, k_3) = \sum_n \alpha_n R_n(k_1, k_2, k_3)$$

$$R_n(k_1, k_2, k_3) = r(k_1)r(k_2)r(k_3) + 5 \text{ permutations}$$

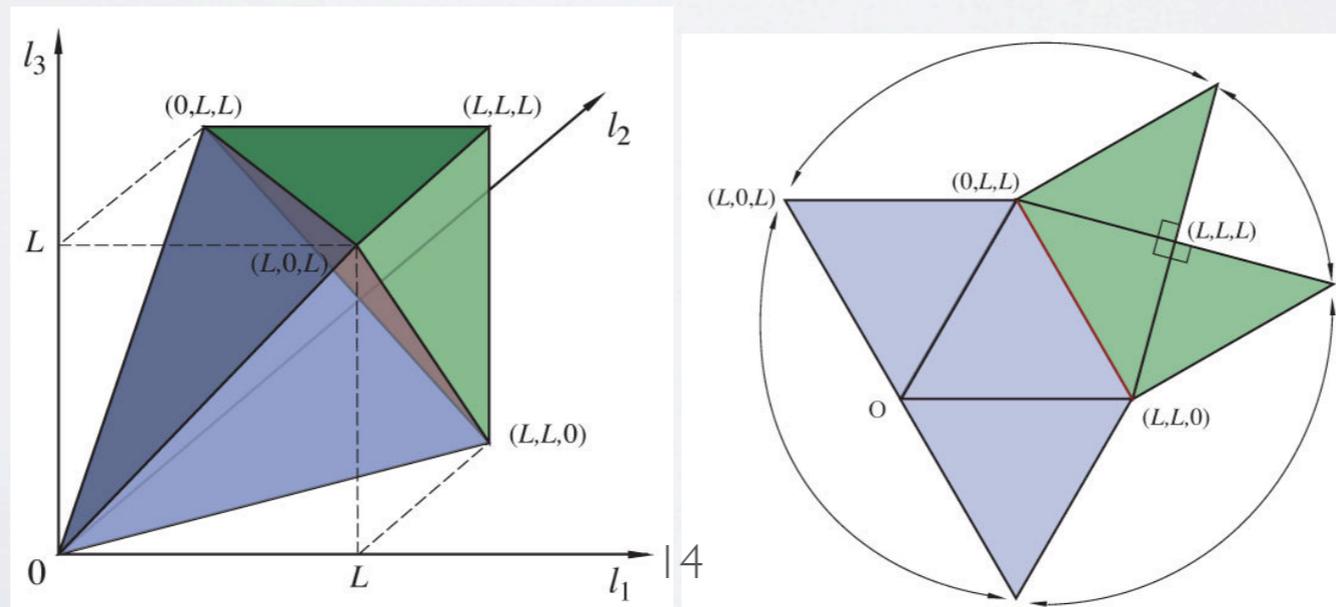
$$\langle R_n R_m \rangle = \delta_{nm}$$

Then we could handle any model.

# ORTHONORMAL BASIS

How to choose the inner product? Conservation of momentum requires the three  $k$  to obey the triangle condition and, as in the estimator we will be working to a particular maximum  $l$ , we will also restrict ourselves to a particular maximum  $k$  and choose our weight to be flat

$$\langle R_n R_m \rangle = \int_{\mathcal{V}} R_n R_m d\mathcal{V}$$



# ORTHONORMAL BASIS

- Now how to construct our R?

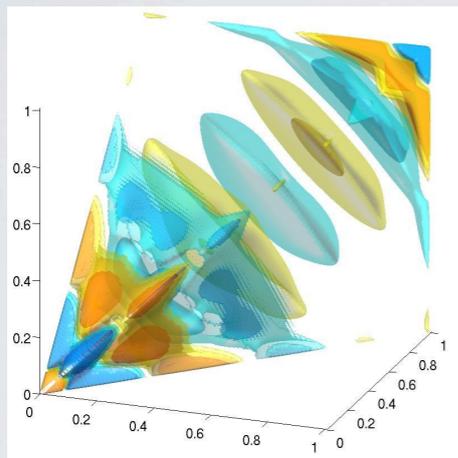
$$R_n(k_1, k_2, k_3) = \sum_m \lambda_{nm} Q_m(k_1, k_2, k_3)$$

$$Q_m(k_1, k_2, k_3) = \frac{1}{6} (q_i(k_1)q_j(k_2)q_k(k_3) + 5 \text{ (permutations)})$$

Where the q are arbitrary functions and  $\lambda_{nm}$  is the product of some orthogonalisation procedure. We must also chose an ordering

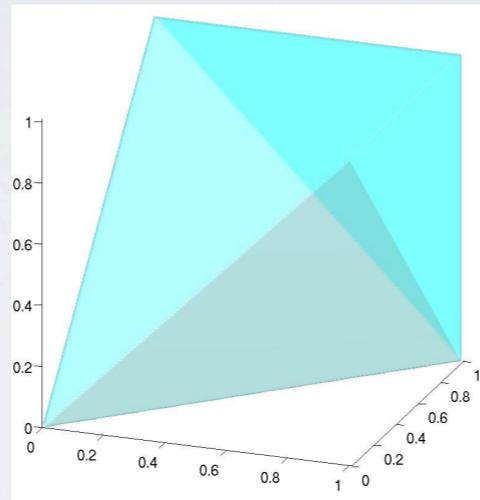
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<u>1</u> → 001	5 → 012	9 → 013	13 → 023
2 → 011	<u>6</u> → 003	<u>10</u> → 004	14 → 014
<u>3</u> → 002	7 → 112	11 → 122	<u>15</u> → 005 ...

# ORTHONORMAL BASIS



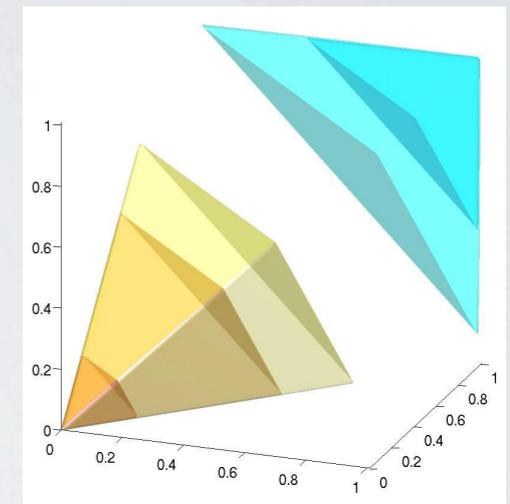
$S(k_1, k_2, k_3)$

$= \alpha_0$



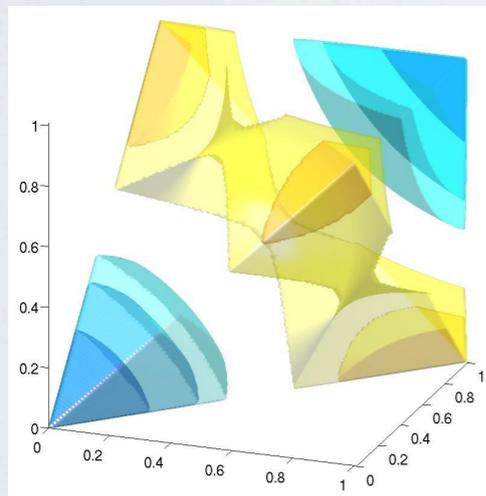
$000 \rightarrow 1$

$+ \alpha_1$



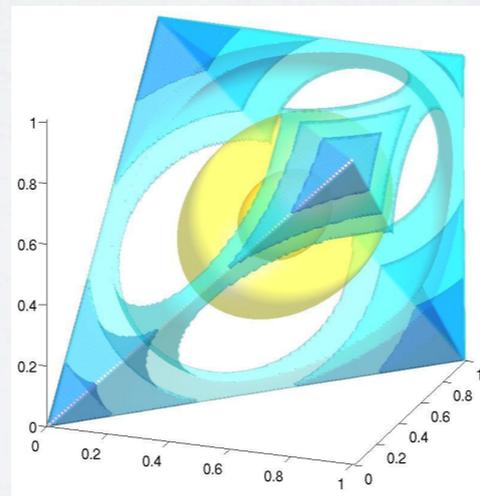
$001 \rightarrow k_1 + k_2 + k_3$

$+ \alpha_2$



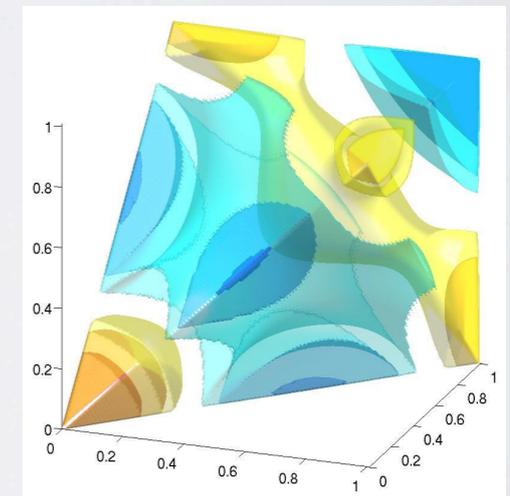
$011 \rightarrow k_1 k_2 + k_2 k_3 + k_3 k_1$

$+ \alpha_3$



$002 \rightarrow k_1^2 + k_2^2 + k_3^2$

$+ \alpha_4$



$111 \rightarrow k_1 k_2 k_3$

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# ORTHONORMAL BASIS

Now we need to calculate  $\lambda_{nm}$

$$\langle R_n R_m \rangle = \lambda_{nr} \lambda_{ms} \langle Q_r Q_s \rangle$$

$$\langle Q_r Q_s \rangle = \gamma_{rs}$$

$$I = \lambda \gamma \lambda^T$$

And rearranging, noting that  $\lambda_{nm}$  is lower triangular, we find it is the inverse of the Cholesky decomposition of the  $\gamma_{rs}$  matrix

$$\gamma = \lambda^{-1} \lambda^{-1T}$$

# ORTHONORMAL BASIS

Now we need to calculate the coefficients for the expansion

$$S = \sum_n \alpha_n^R R_n = \sum_n \alpha_n^Q Q_n$$

$$\alpha_n^R = \langle S R_n \rangle$$

$$\alpha_n^Q = \gamma_{nm}^{-1} \langle S Q_m \rangle$$

$$\alpha_n^R = \lambda^{-1} \gamma_{nm}^T \alpha_m^Q$$

# ORTHONORMAL BASIS

We can now use this method to calculate the CMB bispectrum

$$b_{l_1 l_2 l_3} = \sum_n \alpha_n^Q \tilde{Q}_{l_1 l_2 l_3}^n$$

$$\tilde{Q}_{l_1 l_2 l_3}^n = \int x^2 dx \tilde{q}_{l_1}^{\{i\}}(x) \tilde{q}_{l_2}^{\{j\}}(x) \tilde{q}_{l_3}^{\{k\}}(x)$$

$$\tilde{q}_l^i(x) = \int dk q_i(k) \Delta_l(k) j_l(xk)$$

And estimator

$$\mathcal{E} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_n \alpha_n \beta_n$$

$$\beta_n^Q = \int d^3 x M_i(\mathbf{x}) M_j(\mathbf{x}) M_k(\mathbf{x})$$

$$M_i(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{lm} \tilde{q}_l^i(x) Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) \sum_{l'm'} C_{lm l'm'}^{-1} a_{l'm'}$$

# WMAP EXAMPLES

If we consider the three models constrained by WMAP we find they can be represented by the following choices of monomials for the  $q$  and an ordering which only includes scale invariant combinations.

$$q_0(k) = k^{-1} \quad 0 \rightarrow 003$$

$$q_1(k) = 1 \quad 1 \rightarrow 012$$

$$q_2(k) = k \quad 2 \rightarrow 111$$

$$q_3(k) = k^2$$

$$\alpha_{local}^Q = \{2, 0, 0\}$$

$$\alpha_{equi}^Q = \{-1, 1, -2\}$$

$$\alpha_{ortho}^Q = \{-3, 3, -8\}$$

The only difference is they never use orthonormality as they can read off the coefficients directly from their templates

# WMAP EXAMPLES

There are limitations to this method. The first is by choosing monomials for  $q$  we can only use up to  $i=3$  before the projection integral fails to converge

$$\tilde{q}_l^i(x) = \int dk q_i(k) \Delta_l(k) j_l(xk)$$

$$q_0(k) = k^{-1}$$

$$q_1(k) = 1$$

$$q_2(k) = k$$

$$q_3(k) = k^2$$

This is why it is much better to choose bounded functions eq. Legendre polynomials or Fourier modes as the  $q$

Note: Due to the orthogonalisation procedure all polynomial choices lead to the same  $R$ . They only affect the stability of the method

# WMAP EXAMPLES

The main problem with the primordial approach is that the projection from early to late time is in the “observational”  $\beta_n$  rather than the “theoretical”  $\alpha_n$ . As you need to average over many maps to obtain error bars, and to calculate the linear term, this is very inefficient.

$$\mathcal{E} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_n \alpha_n \beta_n$$

$$\beta_n = \int d^3x M_i(\mathbf{x}) M_j(\mathbf{x}) M_k(\mathbf{x})$$

$$M_i(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{lm} \tilde{q}_l^i(x) Y_{lm}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) \sum_{l'm'} C_{lm l'm'}^{-1} a_{l'm'}$$

# NOTATION

What if we start instead decomposing the CMB bispectrum?  
Starting with the estimator

$$\mathcal{E} = \sum_{l_i m_i l'_i m'_i} \frac{\langle a_{l_1 m_1} \cdots a_{l_p m_p} \rangle_{f_{NL}=1} C_{l_1 m_1 l'_1 m'_1}^{-1} \cdots C_{l_p m_p l'_p m'_p}^{-1} \left( a_{l'_1 m'_1} \cdots a_{l'_p m'_p} - \text{“Linear”} \right)}{\langle a_{l_1 m_1} \cdots a_{l_p m_p} \rangle_{f_{NL}=1} C_{l_1 m_1 l'_1 m'_1}^{-1} \cdots C_{l_p m_p l'_p m'_p}^{-1} \langle a_{l'_1 m'_1} \cdots a_{l'_p m'_p} \rangle_{f_{NL}=1}}$$

We can put this in a general form by defining

$$\langle \mathbf{a}_{\wp} \rangle \equiv \langle a_{l_1 m_1} a_{l_2 m_2} \cdots a_{l_p m_p} \rangle$$

$$\mathbf{C}_{\wp\wp'}^{-1} \equiv C_{l_1 m_1, l'_1 m'_1}^{-1} \cdots C_{l_p m_p, l'_p m'_p}^{-1}$$

Where  $\wp$  represents the  $\wp = \{l_1, m_1, l_2, m_2, \dots, l_p, m_p\}$  degrees of freedom

# NOTATION

The estimator for a general polyspectrum is then defined as

$$\bar{\mathcal{E}} \equiv \frac{\sum_{\wp \wp'} \langle \mathbf{a}_{\wp} \rangle \mathbf{e}_{\wp \wp'}^{-1} (\mathbf{a}_{\wp} - \mathbf{a}_{\wp}^{lin})}{\sum_{\wp \wp'} \langle \mathbf{a}_{\wp} \rangle \mathbf{e}_{\wp \wp'}^{-1} \langle \mathbf{a}_{\wp} \rangle}$$

where  $\mathbf{a}_{\wp}^{lin}$  is the appropriate linear term

# NOTATION

We will now go one step further by defining the weighted vectors (and matrix)

$$\mathcal{A}_\varphi = \frac{\langle \mathbf{a}_\varphi \rangle}{\sqrt{C_{l_1} C_{l_2} \dots C_{l_p}}}, \quad \mathcal{B}_\varphi = \frac{\mathbf{a}_\varphi - \mathbf{a}_\varphi^{lin}}{\sqrt{C_{l_1} C_{l_2} \dots C_{l_p}}}, \quad \mathcal{C}_{\varphi\varphi'} = \frac{\mathcal{E}_{\varphi\varphi'}}{\sqrt{C_{l_1} C_{l'_1} \dots C_{l_p} C_{l'_p}}},$$

And we can then write the estimator in matrix form as

$$\bar{\mathcal{E}} = \frac{\mathcal{A}^T \mathcal{C}^{-1} \mathcal{B}}{\mathcal{A}^T \mathcal{C}^{-1} \mathcal{A}}$$

# CMB BASIS

If we then suppose the existence of an orthonormal basis at late time

$$\sum_{\wp} \bar{\mathcal{R}}_{n\wp} \bar{\mathcal{R}}_{n'\wp} = \delta_{nn'} \quad (\bar{\mathcal{R}}\bar{\mathcal{R}}^T = I)$$

again built from some separable functions  $\bar{\mathcal{R}} = \bar{\lambda}\bar{\mathcal{Q}}$

$$\bar{\mathcal{R}}_{n\wp} = \frac{\int d^2n Y_{l_1 m_1}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}) Y_{l_2 m_2}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}) Y_{l_3 m_3}(\hat{\mathbf{n}})}{v_{l_1} v_{l_2} v_{l_3}} \bar{R}_{n l_1 l_2 l_3}$$

$$\bar{R}_{n l_1 l_2 l_3} = \bar{\lambda}_{nm} \bar{Q}_{n l_1 l_2 l_3} (= q_i q_j q_k + 5 \text{ perms})$$

$$\sum_n \bar{\alpha}_n \bar{R}_{n l_1 l_2 l_3} = \frac{v_{l_1} v_{l_2} v_{l_3} b_{l_1 l_2 l_3}}{\sqrt{C_{l_1} C_{l_2} C_{l_3}}}$$

# CMB BASIS

Then we can decompose our theory representing it as a set of modal coefficients

$$\mathcal{A}_\varphi = \sum_n \alpha_n \mathcal{R}_{n\varphi} \quad (\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{R}^T \alpha)$$

$$\alpha = \mathcal{R}\mathcal{A}$$

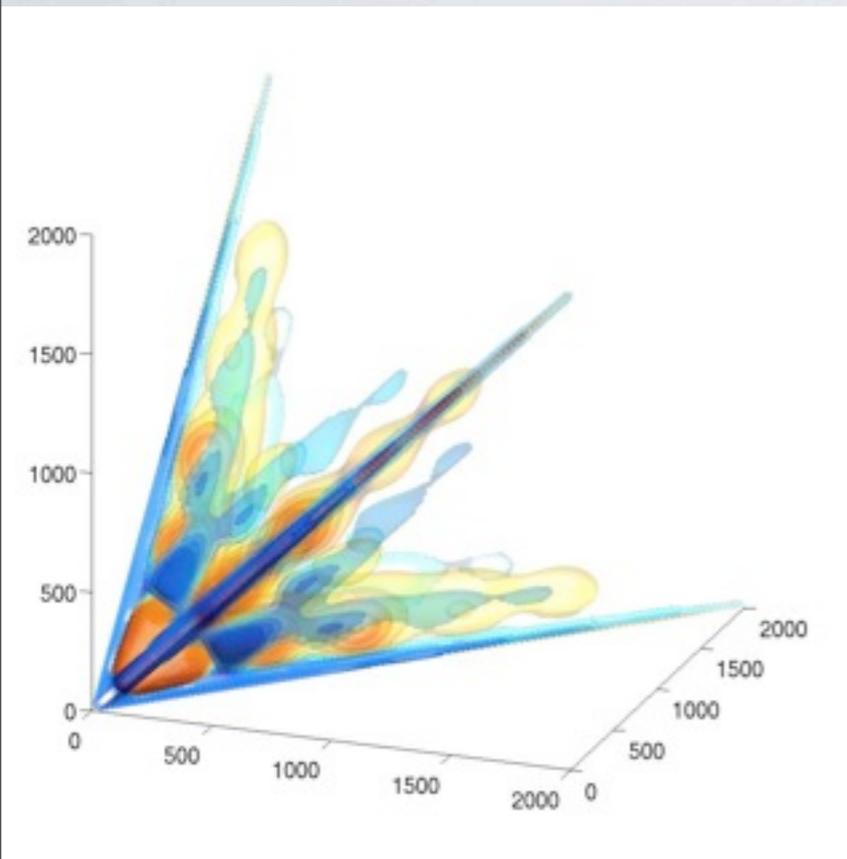
We will truncate our basis at some  $n_{\max}$  so so we can also define a projection operator

$$\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{R}^T \mathcal{R}$$

And we take our theory to be completely described by this basis

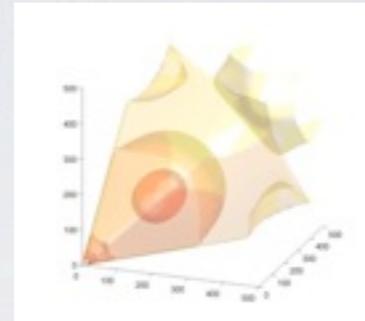
$$\mathcal{P}\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}$$

# CMB BASIS

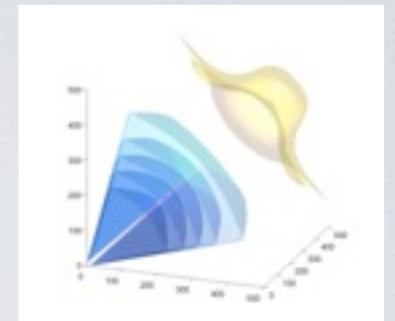


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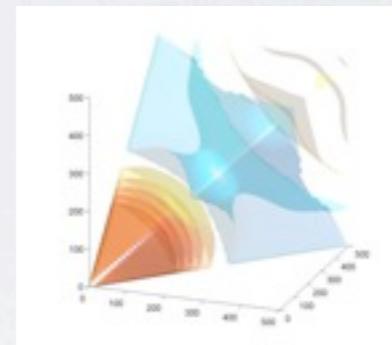
$\alpha_0$



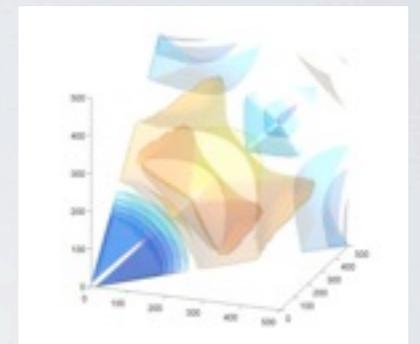
$\alpha_1$



$\alpha_2$

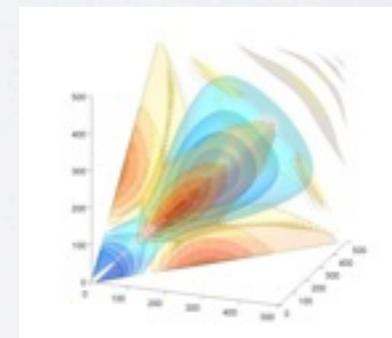


$\alpha_3$



+

$\alpha_4$



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# CMB BASIS

We can perform the same modal decomposition on the data to obtain the estimator (we will assume the covariance is diagonal for now so  $\mathcal{C} = I$ )

$$\bar{\alpha} = \bar{\mathcal{R}}\mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{A} = \bar{\mathcal{R}}^T \bar{\alpha}$$

$$\bar{\beta} = \bar{\mathcal{R}}\mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} = \bar{\mathcal{R}}^T \bar{\beta}$$

$$\mathcal{E} = \frac{\sum \bar{\alpha} \bar{\beta}}{\sum \bar{\alpha}^2}$$

# CMB EXAMPLES

Most late time methods can be written in this form. The only difference is orthonormality

For wavelets we chose the  $q$  to be the harmonic transform of the wavelet with differing sizes. They then build all combinations to form  $Q$

For binned approaches the  $q$  are top hat functions for the relevant  $l$  ranges. Their combinations pick out individual sections of the bispectrum

**All approaches are modal!**

# ORTHONORMAL BASIS

Now we have some nice properties. First

$$\langle \bar{\beta} \rangle = \bar{\alpha}$$

the normalisation for the estimator is trivial

$$\mathcal{E} = \frac{\sum \bar{\alpha} \bar{\beta}}{\sum \bar{\alpha}^2}$$

and also all the projection is now in the calculation of alpha  
so the process is much more efficient\*

\* see the lecture of Casaponsa on Monday evening

# ORTHONORMAL BASIS

And the covariance of  $\beta$  (which gives the variance of the estimator) reveals the importance of the linear term.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle \bar{\beta}_n \bar{\beta}_{n'} \rangle &= \sum_{l_i m_i l'_i m'_i} \left\langle \left( \bar{\mathcal{R}}_{nl_1 l_2 l_3} \frac{a_{l_1 m_1} a_{l_2 m_2} a_{l_3 m_3} - 3 C_{l_1 m_1, l_2 m_2} a_{l_3 m_3}}{\sqrt{C_{l_1} C_{l_2} C_{l_3}}} \right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \times \left( \frac{a_{l'_1 m'_1} a_{l'_2 m'_2} a_{l'_3 m'_3} - 3 C_{l'_1 m'_1, l'_2 m'_2} a_{l'_3 m'_3}}{\sqrt{C_{l'_1} C_{l'_2} C_{l'_3}}} \bar{\mathcal{R}}_{n'l'_1 l'_2 l'_3} \right) \right\rangle \\
 &= \sum_{l_i m_i l'_i m'_i} \frac{\bar{\mathcal{R}}_{nl_1 l_2 l_3} \bar{\mathcal{R}}_{n'l'_1 l'_2 l'_3}}{\sqrt{C_{l_1} C_{l_2} C_{l_3} C_{l'_1} C_{l'_2} C_{l'_3}}} \left[ 6 \langle a_{l_1 m_1} a_{l'_1 m'_1} \rangle \langle a_{l_2 m_2} a_{l'_2 m'_2} \rangle \langle a_{l_3 m_3} a_{l'_3 m'_3} \rangle \right. \\
 &\quad + 9 \langle a_{l_1 m_1} a_{l_2 m_2} \rangle \langle a_{l'_1 m'_1} a_{l'_2 m'_2} \rangle \langle a_{l_3 m_3} a_{l'_3 m'_3} \rangle - 9 C_{l_1 m_1, l_2 m_2} \langle a_{l'_1 m'_1} a_{l'_2 m'_2} \rangle \langle a_{l_3 m_3} a_{l'_3 m'_3} \rangle \\
 &\quad \left. - 9 \langle a_{l_1 m_1} a_{l_2 m_2} \rangle C_{l'_1 m'_1, l'_2 m'_2} \langle a_{l_3 m_3} a_{l'_3 m'_3} \rangle + 9 C_{l_1 m_1, l_2 m_2} C_{l'_1 m'_1, l'_2 m'_2} \langle a_{l_3 m_3} a_{l'_3 m'_3} \rangle + \dots \right] \\
 &= 6 \sum_{l_i m_i l'_i m'_i} \bar{\mathcal{R}}_{nl_1 l_2 l_3} \frac{C_{l_1 m_1, l'_1 m'_1} C_{l_2 m_2, l'_2 m'_2} C_{l_3 m_3, l'_3 m'_3}}{\sqrt{C_{l_1} C_{l_2} C_{l_3} C_{l'_1} C_{l'_2} C_{l'_3}}} \bar{\mathcal{R}}_{n'l'_1 l'_2 l'_3} \\
 &= 6 \bar{\mathcal{R}} C \bar{\mathcal{R}}^T = 6I
 \end{aligned}$$

# ORTHONORMAL BASIS

If we also calculate the decomposition of the primordial basis modes projected forward

$$\bar{\mathcal{R}}\tilde{\mathcal{R}}^T = \Gamma \quad \left( \tilde{\mathcal{R}}_l = \int_{\mathcal{V}_k} \mathcal{R}(k) \times \Delta \right)$$

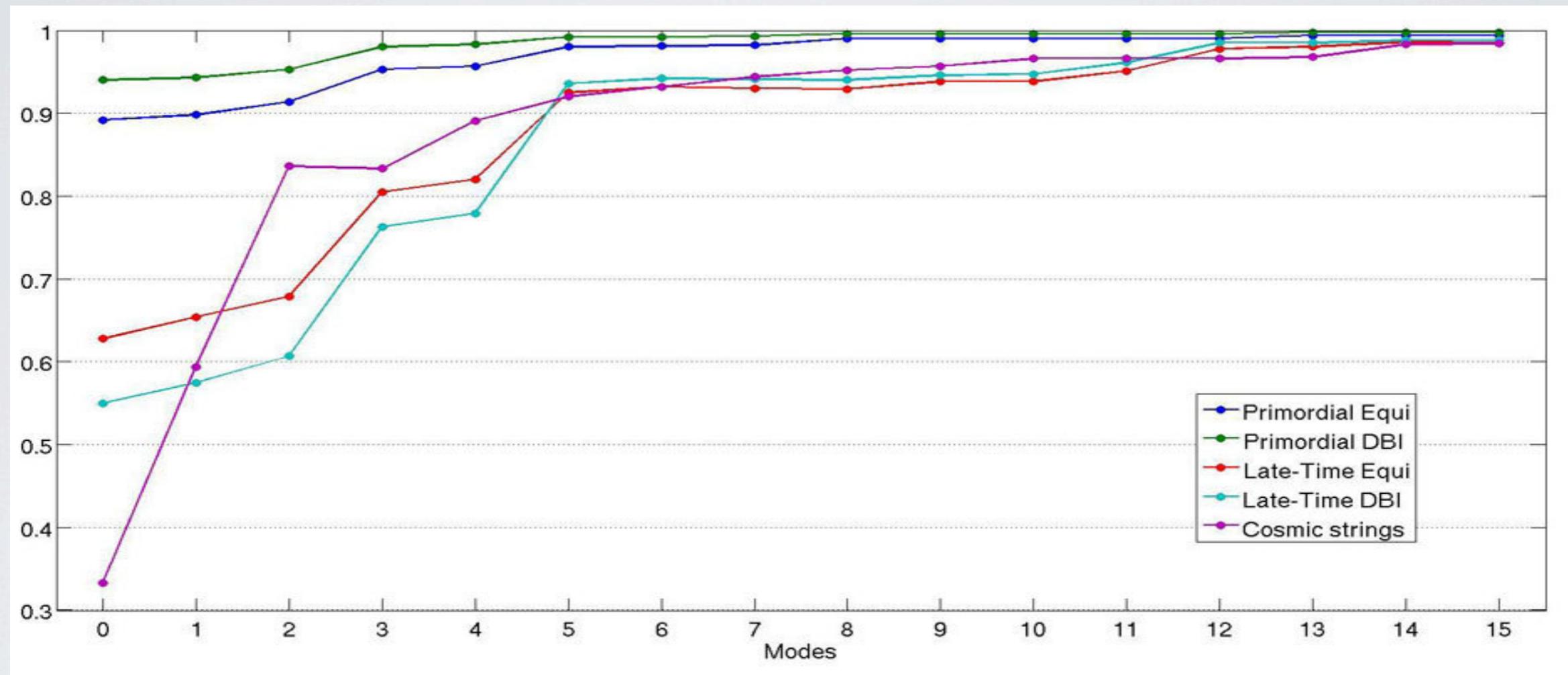
Then we can transform between the primordial and CMB expansions

$$\bar{\alpha}^{\mathcal{R}} = \Gamma \alpha^{\mathcal{R}}$$

$$\left( \bar{\alpha}^{\mathcal{Q}} = \bar{\lambda} \Gamma \lambda^{-1T} \alpha^{\mathcal{Q}} \right)$$

# CONVERGENCE

First, does it work?



Correlation between decomposition and original bispectra,  
both primordial and CMB

# ESTIMATION

We have used these methods to constrain all scale invariant models.....

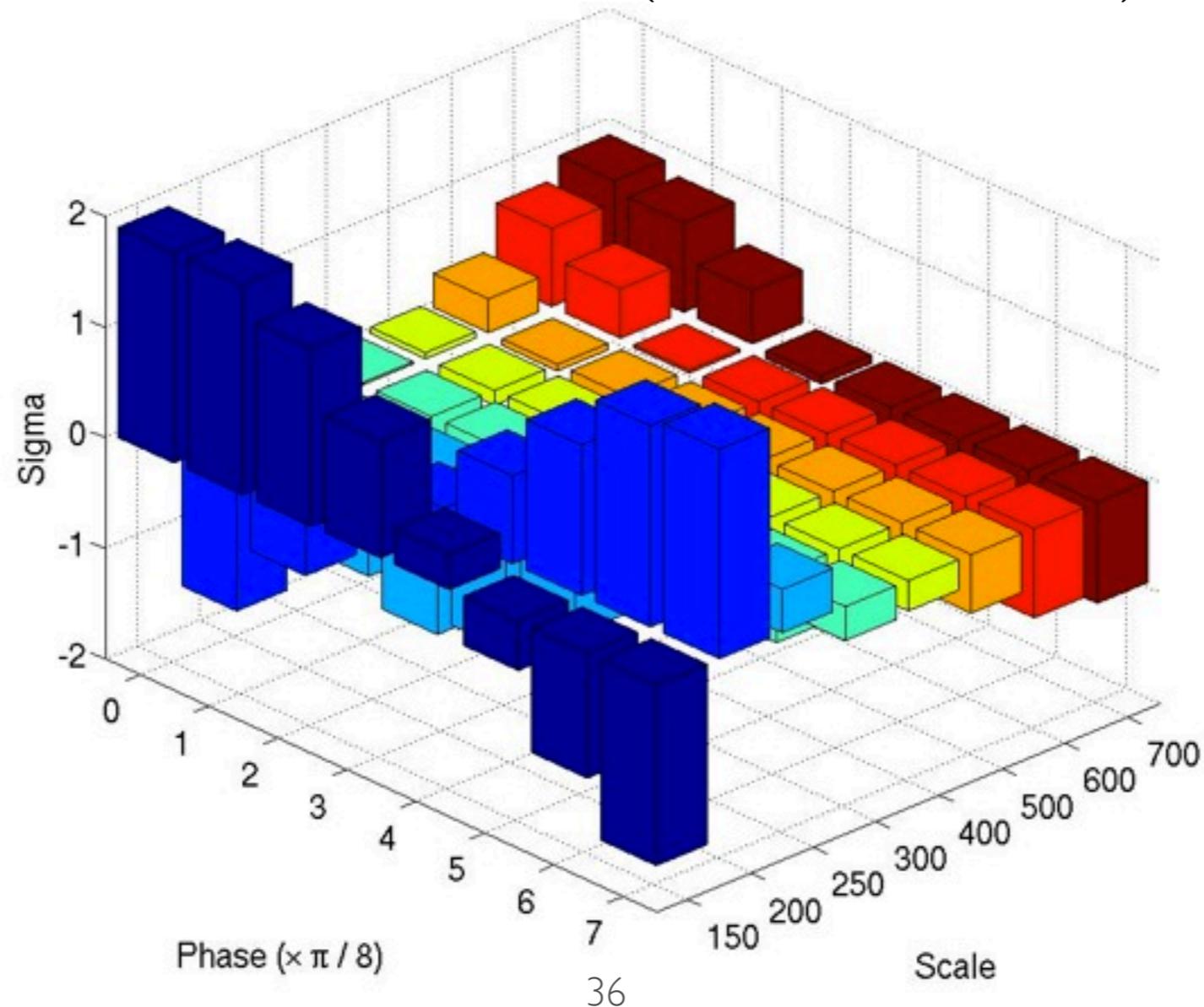
$$F_{NL} \rightarrow \sum \bar{\alpha}^2 = \sum \bar{\alpha}_{local}^2$$

Model	$F_{NL}$	( $f_{NL}$ )
<b>Constant</b>	$35.1 \pm 27.4$	( $149.4 \pm 116.8$ )
<b>DBI</b>	$26.7 \pm 26.5$	( $146.0 \pm 144.5$ )
<b>Equilateral</b>	$25.1 \pm 26.4$	( $143.5 \pm 151.2$ )
<b>Flat (Smoothed)</b>	$35.4 \pm 29.2$	( $18.1 \pm 14.9$ )
<b>Ghost</b>	$22.0 \pm 26.3$	( $138.7 \pm 165.4$ )
<b>Local</b>	$54.4 \pm 29.4$	( $54.4 \pm 29.4$ )
<b>Orthogonal</b>	$-16.3 \pm 27.3$	( $-79.4 \pm 133.3$ )
<b>Single</b>	$28.8 \pm 26.6$	( $142.1 \pm 131.3$ )
<b>Warm</b>	$24.2 \pm 27.3$	( $94.7 \pm 106.8$ )

# ESTIMATION

and an oscillatory model for a range of parameter space

$$S^{feat}(k_1, k_2, k_3) = \frac{1}{N} \sin \left( 2\pi \frac{k_1 + k_2 + k_3}{3k^*} + \Phi \right)$$



# ESTIMATION

Once we have the  $\alpha$  for each theory we can compute constraints for all of them simultaneously

$$\mathcal{E} = \frac{\sum \bar{\alpha} \bar{\beta}}{\sum \bar{\alpha}^2}$$

# ESTIMATION

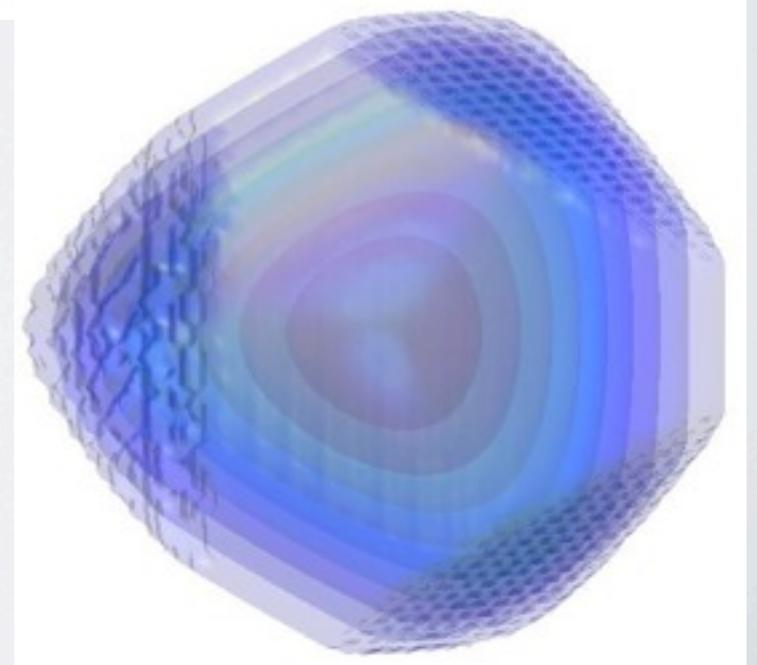
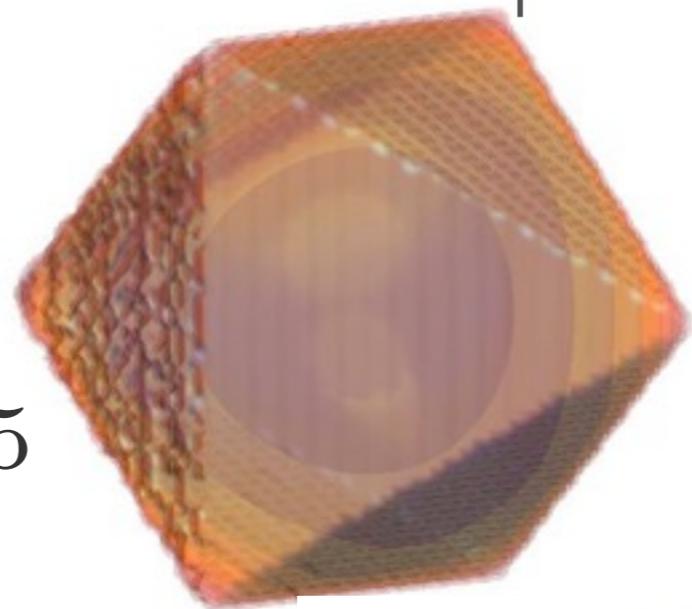
And a small selection of models via the trispectrum

$$G_{NL}^{local} = 1.62 \pm 6.98 \times 10^5$$

$$G_{NL}^{const} = -2.64 \pm 7.20 \times 10^5$$

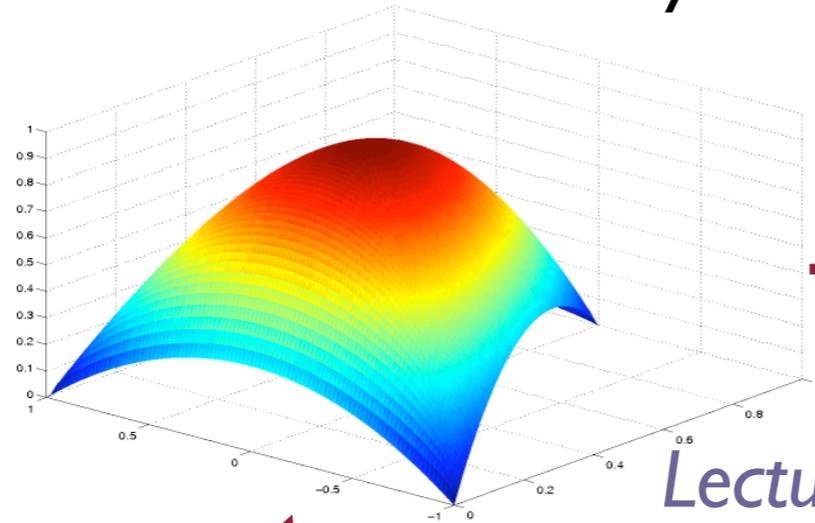
$$G_{NL}^{equi} = -3.02 \pm 7.27 \times 10^5$$

$$G\mu < 1.1 \times 10^{-6}$$



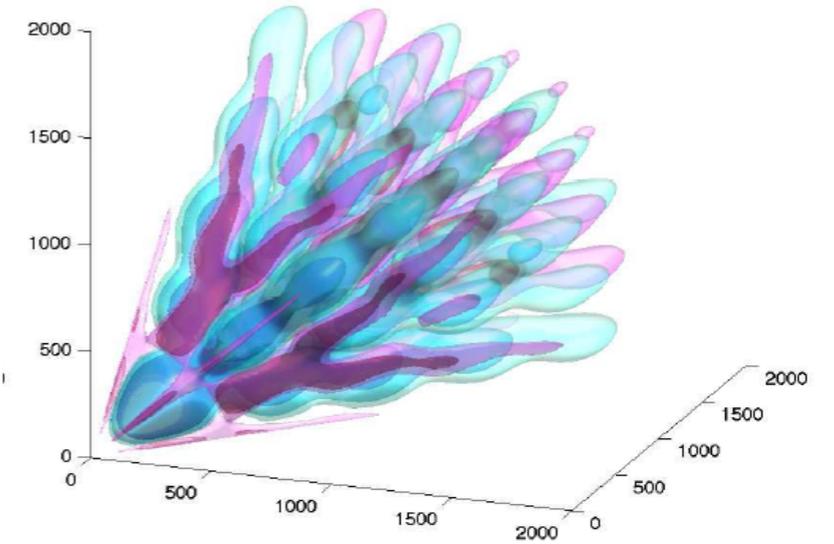
# Overview

*Primordial non-Gaussianity*

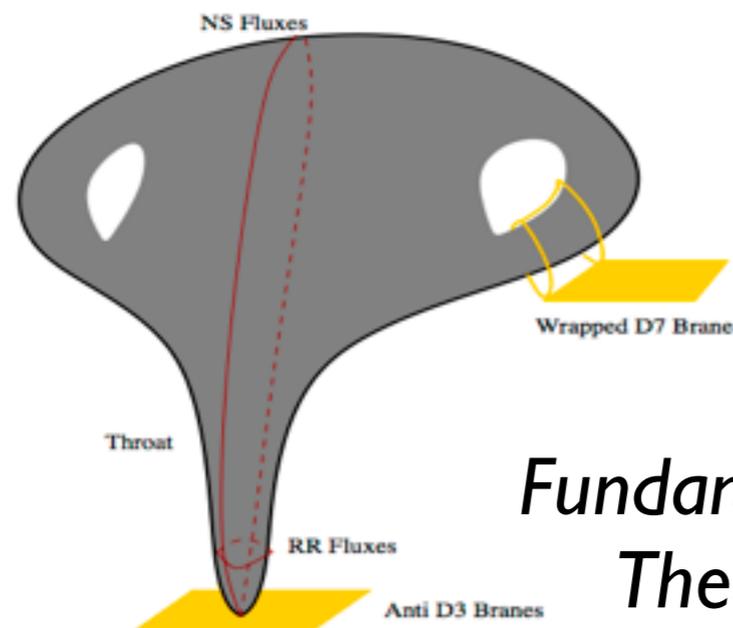


Lecture 1

*CMB (or LSS) fingerprint*

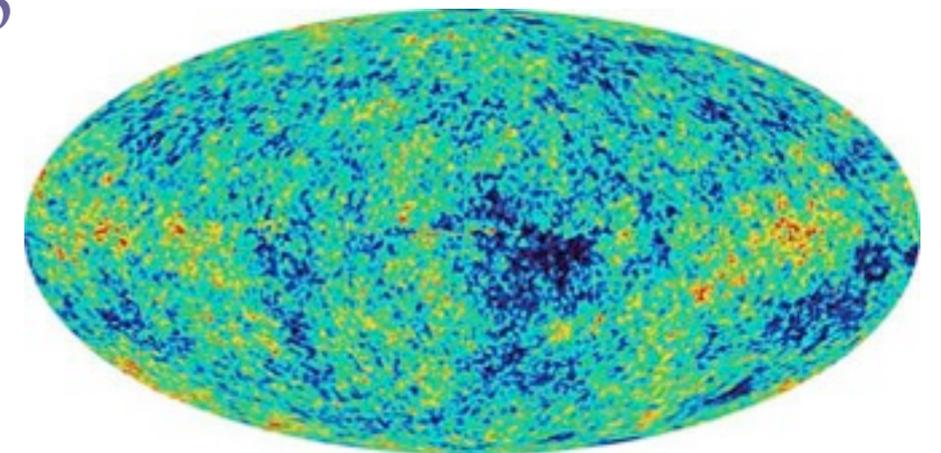


Lecture 2



*Fundamental Theory*

Lecture 3



*Observational Data*