

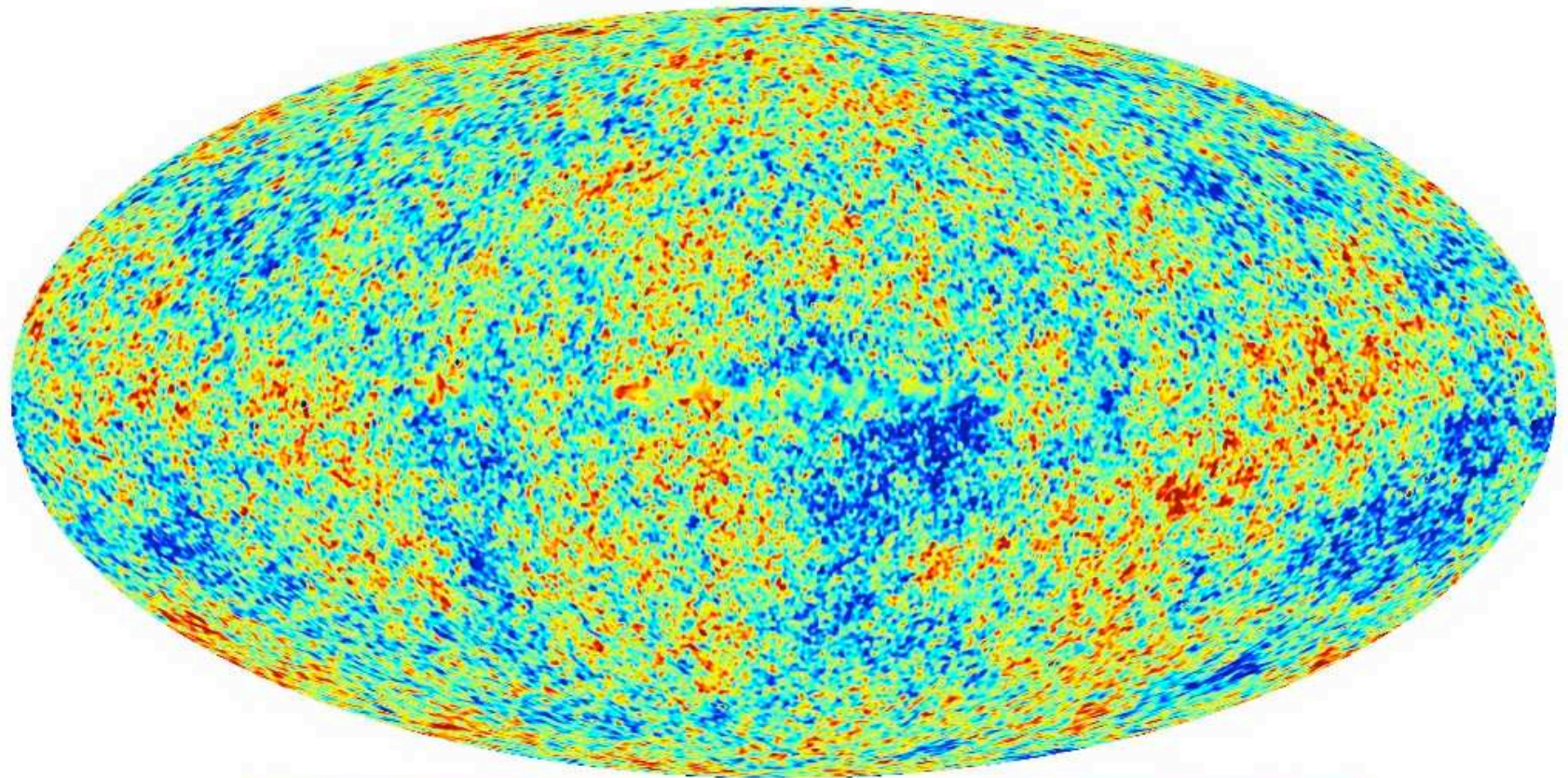
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Limits on non-Gaussianities from WMAP 3 yr data

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with P. Creminelli, M. Tegmark,
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Is there any correlation among modes?

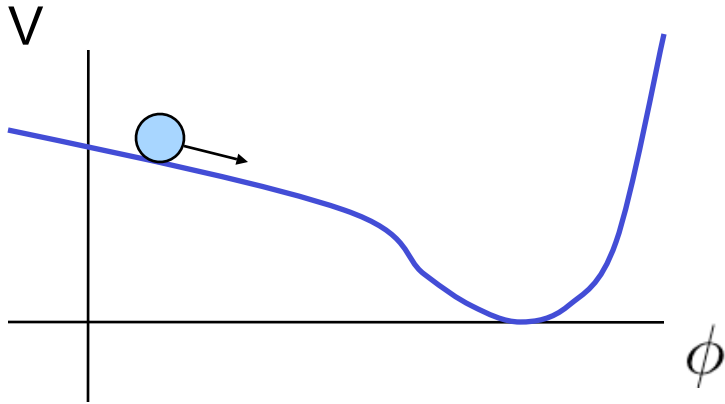


-200 μ K  200 μ K

OUTLINE

- Standard slow roll inflation predicts very small NG: $NG < 10^{-6}$
- NG as smoking gun for “non-standard” inflation
- Models with detectable NG
 - Local models
 - Equilateral models
- Different predictions for the “shape” of the 3-point function
- Data analysis of 3 year WMAP data
- No detection (sigh!). The tightest limits on NG.

Slow-roll = weak coupling



$$\ddot{\phi} + \underline{\underline{3H\dot{\phi}}} + V'(\phi) = 0$$

Friction is dominant

To have \sim dS space the potential must be very flat:

$$\epsilon, \eta \ll 1$$

$$\epsilon = \frac{1}{2} M_P^2 \left(\frac{V'}{V} \right)^2 \quad \eta = M_P^2 \frac{V''}{V}$$

The inflaton is extremely weakly coupled. Leading NG from gravity.

$$\frac{\langle \zeta_{\vec{k}_1} \zeta_{\vec{k}_2} \zeta_{\vec{k}_3} \rangle}{\langle \zeta_{\vec{k}} \zeta_{-\vec{k}} \rangle^{3/2}} \sim \epsilon \frac{H}{\sqrt{\epsilon} M_P} \ll 10^{-5}$$

Completely model independent
as it comes from gravity

Unobservable (?). To see any deviation you need $> 10^{12}$ data. WMAP $\sim 2 \times 10^6$

Smoking gun for “new physics”

Any signal would be a clear signal of something non-minimal

- Any modification enhances NG
 - Modify inflaton Lagrangian. Higher derivative terms, DBI inflation, ghost inflation ...
 - Additional light fields during inflation. Curvaton, variable decay width...

- Potential wealth of information

Translation invariance: $\langle \zeta_{\vec{k}_1} \zeta_{\vec{k}_2} \zeta_{\vec{k}_3} \rangle = (2\pi)^3 \delta\left(\sum_i \vec{k}_i\right) F(\vec{k}_1, \vec{k}_2, \vec{k}_3)$

Scale invariance: $F(\lambda \vec{k}_1, \lambda \vec{k}_2, \lambda \vec{k}_3) = \lambda^{-6} F(\vec{k}_1, \vec{k}_2, \vec{k}_3)$

F contains information about the source of NG

Note. We are only considering primordial NGs. Neglect non-linear relation with observables.

Good until primordial NG $> 10^{-5}$.

Higher derivative terms

Creminelli **JCAP 0310:003,2003**

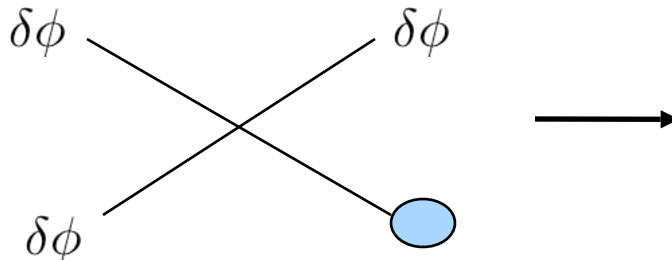
Change inflaton dynamics and thus density perturbations

Potential terms are strongly constrained by slow-roll.

Impose shift symmetry: $\phi \rightarrow \phi + \text{const}$

Most relevant operator: $\frac{1}{8\Lambda^4} (\nabla\phi)^2 (\nabla\phi)^2$

3 point function:



$$\frac{\langle \zeta_{\vec{k}_1} \zeta_{\vec{k}_2} \zeta_{\vec{k}_3} \rangle}{\langle \zeta_{\vec{k}} \zeta_{-\vec{k}} \rangle^{3/2}} \sim \frac{\dot{\phi}^2}{\Lambda^4} \frac{H}{\sqrt{\epsilon} M_P}$$

In EFT regime $\text{NG} < 10^{-5}$
Difficult to observe

We get big NG only if h. d. terms are important also for the classical dynamics

Chen, Huang, Kachru, Shiu **JCAP 0701:002,2007**

DBI inflation: $\mathcal{L} = \phi^4 \sqrt{1 - \lambda \frac{\dot{\phi}^2}{\phi^4}}$

Speed limit in AdS

Alishahiha, Silverstein and Tong, **Phys.Rev.D70:123505,2004**

Ghost inflation

Arkani-Hamed, Creminelli, Mukoyama and Zaldarriaga,

JCAP 0404:001,2004

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Phys. Rev. D71:043512,2005

Ghost condensation: $-\underbrace{(\partial\phi)^2}_{\text{WRONG SIGN}} + \frac{1}{M^4}(\partial\phi)^4 + \dots$

WRONG SIGN

- Spontaneous breaking of Lorentz symmetry: $\langle \dot{\phi} \rangle = M^2$
- Consistent derivative expansion: $\phi = M^2 t + \pi$

$$S = \int d^4x \frac{1}{2} \dot{\pi}^2 - \frac{\alpha^2}{2M^2} (\nabla^2 \pi)^2 - \frac{\beta}{2M^2} \dot{\pi} (\nabla \pi)^2 + \dots$$

- Non Lo $-\frac{\beta}{2M^2} \dot{\pi} (\nabla \pi)^2$, standard spatial kinetic term NOT allowed
has dimension 1/4

$$NG \simeq \left(\frac{H}{M} \right)^{1/4} \simeq 10^{-3} \quad \text{Quite big. Close to exp. bound.}$$

Derivative interactions are enhanced wrt standard case by NR relativistic scaling

This is all: P. Creminelli, C. Chung L. Fitzpatrick, J.Kaplan, L.Senatore, to appear

NG in variable decay scenario (\sim curvaton)

Dvali, Gruzinov and Zaldarriaga **Phys.Rev.D69:023505,2004**

- Fluctuation of the decay width of the inflaton gives $\delta\rho/\rho$

$$\Gamma = m_I g^2 K(\sigma)$$

- Parallel Universes:



Final metric: $ds^2 = -dt^2 + g^2(\Gamma(x))t dx^2$

$$\delta\sigma \rightarrow \delta\Gamma \rightarrow \zeta$$

Every step gives non-gaussianity. E.g. $\frac{\delta\Gamma}{\Gamma} \gg \frac{\delta\rho}{\rho} \rightarrow \left(\frac{\delta\Gamma}{\Gamma}\right)^2$ is big

- Many sources of NG:

The shape of non-Gaussianities

$$\langle \zeta_{\vec{k}_1} \zeta_{\vec{k}_2} \zeta_{\vec{k}_3} \rangle = (2\pi)^3 \delta(\sum_i \vec{k}_i) F(\vec{k}_1, \vec{k}_2, \vec{k}_3)$$

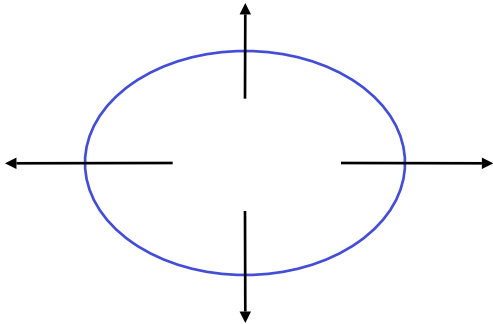
Babich, Creminelli, Zaldarriaga, **JCAP 0408:009,2004**

- **LOCAL DISTRIBUTION** $\zeta(x) = \zeta_g(x) - \frac{3}{5} f_{\text{NL}} (\zeta_g(x)^2 - \langle \zeta_g^2 \rangle)$

$$F(k_1, k_2, k_3) = -f_{\text{NL}}^{\text{local}} \cdot \frac{6}{5} \Delta_\zeta^2 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{k_1^3 k_2^3} + \frac{1}{k_1^3 k_3^3} + \frac{1}{k_2^3 k_3^3} \right)$$

Typical for NG produced outside the horizon

- **EQUILATERAL DISTRIBUTIONS**



Derivative interactions irrelevant after crossing.

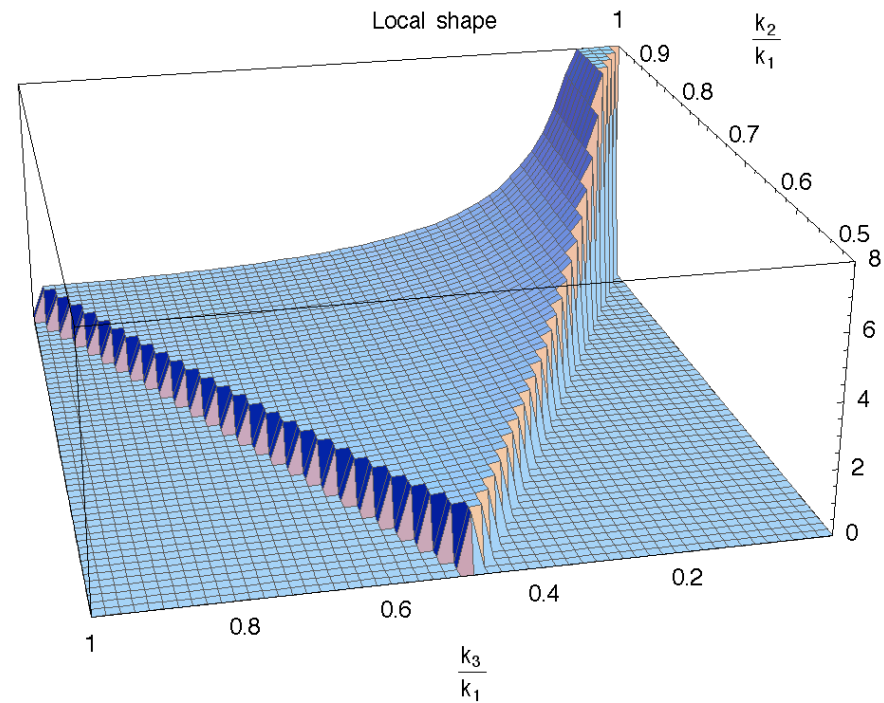
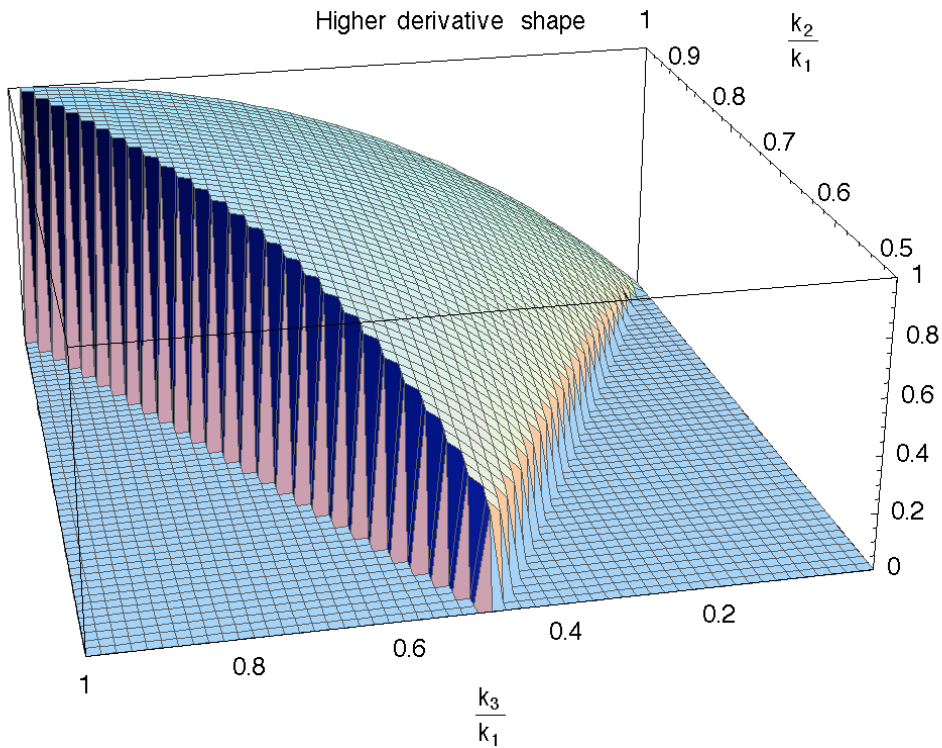
Correlation among modes of comparable λ .

F is quite complicated in the various models. But in general

$$F \sim k_1^{-1} \quad \text{for} \quad k_1 \rightarrow 0$$

Quite similar in different models

Shape comparison



The NG signal is concentrated on different configurations.

- Two shapes is enough, and they can be easily distinguished (once NG is detected!)
- They need a dedicated analysis

Consistency relation for 3-p.f.

J. Maldacena, **JHEP 0305:013,2003**


P. Creminelli, M. Zaldarriaga, **JCAP 0410:006, 2004**

C. Chung L. Fitzpatrick, J.Kaplan, L.Senatore, to appear

Under the usual “adiabatic” assumption (a single field is relevant),

INDEPENDENTLY of the inflaton Lagrangian

$$\lim_{k_1 \rightarrow 0} \langle \zeta_{\vec{k}_1} \zeta_{\vec{k}_2} \zeta_{\vec{k}_3} \rangle = -(2\pi)^3 \delta^3 \left(\sum_i \vec{k}_i \right) P_{k_1} P_{k_3} \left[\frac{d \log(k_3^3 P_{k_3})}{d \log k_3} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{k_1}{k_3}\right) \right]$$

$$ds^2 = -dt^2 + e^{2\zeta(x)} a^2(t) dx_i dx^i$$


The long wavelength mode is a frozen background for the other two: it redefines spatial coordinates.

$n_s - 1 \ll 1$ In the squeezed limit the 3pf is small and probably undetectable

- Models with a second field have a large 3pf in this limit.

Violation of this relation is a **clear, model independent evidence** for a second field (same implications as detecting isocurvature).

- This is experimentally achievable if NG is detected.

Analysis of WMAP 1st year data

With Creminelli, Nicolis, Tegmark and Zaldarriaga,
JCAP 0605:004,2006

WMAP alone gives almost all we know about NG. Large data sample + simple.

Not completely straightforward!

$$\mathcal{E} = \frac{1}{N} \cdot \sum_{l_i m_i} \frac{\langle a_{l_1 m_1} a_{l_2 m_2} a_{l_3 m_3} \rangle}{C_{l_1} C_{l_2} C_{l_3}} a_{l_1 m_1} a_{l_2 m_2} a_{l_3 m_3}$$

$$\mathcal{E} = \frac{1}{N} \cdot \sum_{l_i m_i} \int d^2 \hat{n} Y_{l_1 m_1}(\hat{n}) Y_{l_2 m_2}(\hat{n}) Y_{l_3 m_3}(\hat{n}) \int_0^\infty r^2 dr j_{l_1}(k_1 r) j_{l_2}(k_2 r) j_{l_3}(k_3 r) C_{l_1}^{-1} C_{l_2}^{-1} C_{l_3}^{-1}$$

$$\int \frac{2k_1^2 dk_1}{\pi} \frac{2k_2^2 dk_2}{\pi} \frac{2k_3^2 dk_3}{\pi} F(k_1, k_2, k_3) \Delta_{l_1}^T(k_1) \Delta_{l_2}^T(k_2) \Delta_{l_3}^T(k_3) a_{l_1 m_1} a_{l_2 m_2} a_{l_3 m_3}$$

It scales like $N_{\text{pixels}}^{5/2} \sim 10^{16}$ for WMAP!!! Too much...

But if F is “factorizable” the computation time scales as $N_{\text{pixels}}^{3/2} \sim 10^9$. Doable!

Use a fact. shape with equilateral properties

$$F(k_1, k_2, k_3) = f_{\text{NL}}^{\text{equil.}} \cdot 6 \Delta_{\Phi}^2 \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{k_1^3 k_2^3} - \frac{1}{k_1^3 k_3^3} - \frac{1}{k_2^3 k_3^3} - \frac{2}{k_1^2 k_2^2 k_3^2} + \frac{1}{k_1 k_2^2 k_3^3} + 5 \text{ perm.} \right)$$

Real space VS Fourier space

CMB signal diagonal in Fourier space (without NG!!). Foreground and noise in real space.

Non-diagonal error matrix + linear term in the estimator

Minimum variance estimator:

$$\mathcal{E}_{\text{lin}}(a) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{l_i m_i} \left(\langle a_{l_1 m_1} a_{l_2 m_2} a_{l_3 m_3} \rangle_1 C_{l_1 m_1, l_4 m_4}^{-1} C_{l_2 m_2, l_5 m_5}^{-1} C_{l_3 m_3, l_6 m_6}^{-1} a_{l_4 m_4} a_{l_5 m_5} a_{l_6 m_6} \right. \\ \left. - 3 \langle a_{l_1 m_1} a_{l_2 m_2} a_{l_3 m_3} \rangle_1 C_{l_1 m_1, l_2 m_2}^{-1} C_{l_3 m_3, l_4 m_4}^{-1} a_{l_4 m_4} \right)$$

Reduces variance wrt WMAP coll. analysis.

It saturates Cramers-Rao bound, and is ~equivalent to the full likelihood

Simple modification in case of many sigmas detection

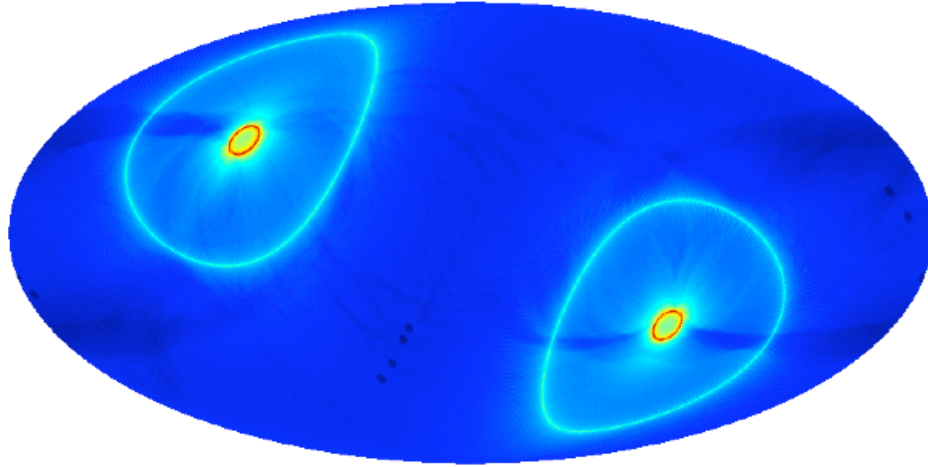
Shown in some limit

With Creminelli and Zaldarriaga in

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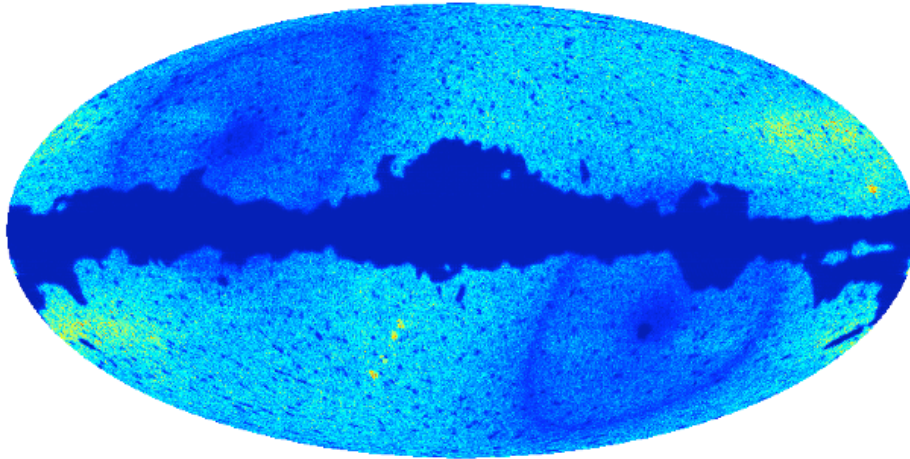
Nothing else is necessary

Correction for anisotropic noise



N_{obs} varies across the sky.
Smaller power in more observed regions.

On a given realization it looks like a NG
signal. Bigger variance.



Linear term of the estimator. Subtracts this
effect. Reduces variance.

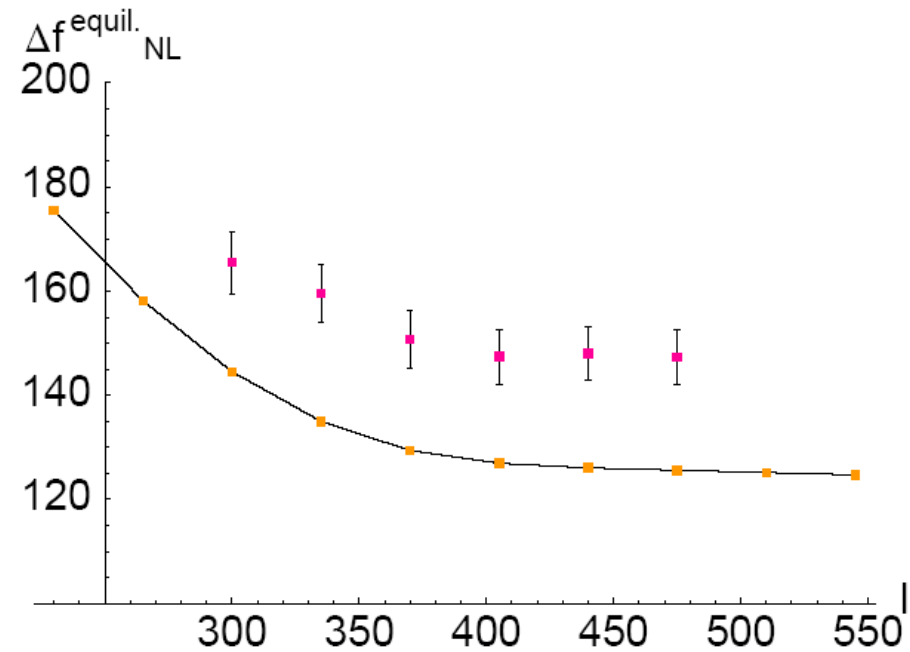
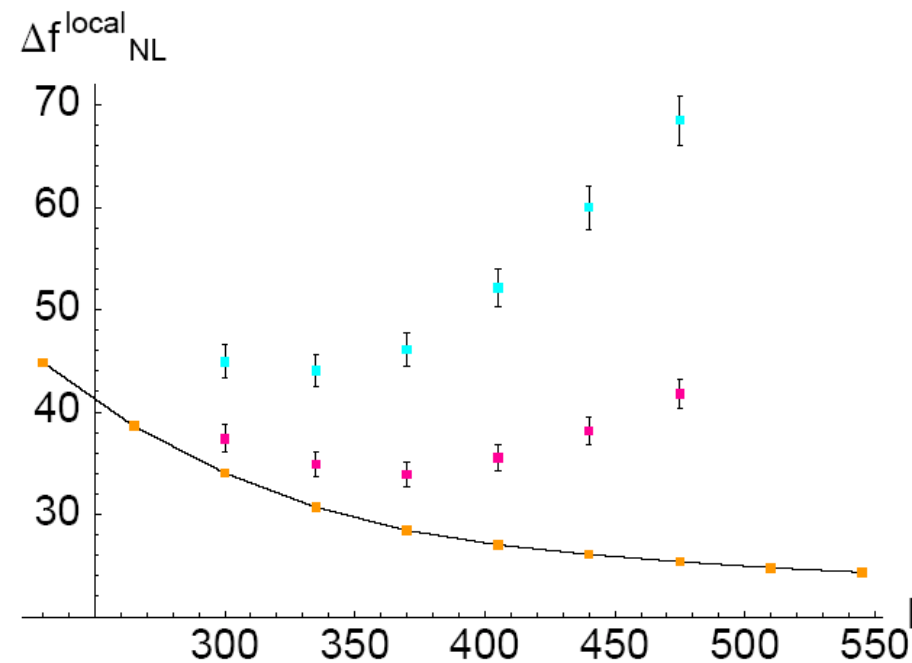
Let us do it!

- Close to WMAP collaboration analysis to cross check.
- Fix best fit cosmological parameters and produce MonteCarlos with HEALpix.
- Smooth maps with 8 different beams corresponding to Q1, Q2, V1, V2, W1, W2, W3, W4
- Add independent noise realization (each pixel).
- Combine maps and mask the (would be) Galaxy (kp0 mask: 76.8% sky).
- Calculate the estimator on each realization for both shapes: $f_{\text{NL}}^{\text{local}}$ and $f_{\text{NL}}^{\text{equil.}}$. It needs an integral over the distance to LSS. Hundreds of FFTs.
- Every MonteCarlo 100 minutes on a 2 GHz, 2 GB Opteron processor.
- You need tens of machines (thanks to Sauron cluster at CfA).
(Greatly improved by Smith and Zaldarriaga [astro-ph/0612571](#))
- Apply the very same procedure on the real data ([foreground subtraction applied](#)).

Differences wrt 1yr Analysis

- Introduction of the tilt in the shapes
- Improved Combination of the Maps (l-dependent)
- Variation of the Cosmological Parameters
 - Reionization: from $\tau = 0.17$ to $\tau = 0.092$ \mathbb{P} worse limits $\sim 8\%$
 - Red tilt: better limits on $f_{\text{NL}}^{\text{local}} \sim 8\%$; worse for $f_{\text{NL}}^{\text{equil.}} \sim 5\%$
 - Higher number of signal dominates multipoles: better $\sim 20\%$

Error Bars



- For the local shape the linear piece helps at high l 's (irrelevant for equil. shape)
- In both cases we are not far from the theoretical limit ($\sim 20\%$)
- Full inversion of the covariance matrix
- Limits: Improve on $f_{\text{NL}}^{\text{local}} \sim 10\%$; on $f_{\text{NL}}^{\text{equil.}} \sim 3\%$

☹ No detection ☹

WMAP data (after foreground template corrections) are compatible with Gaussianity

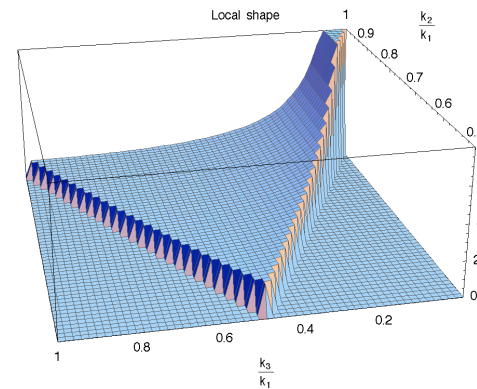
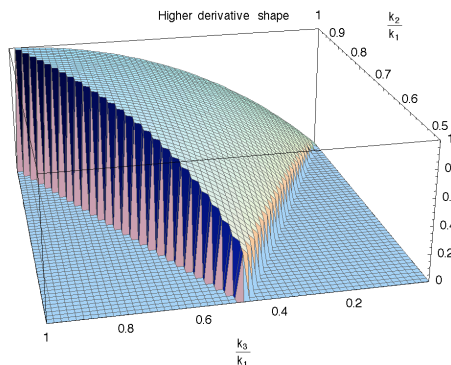
We have the best limits on NG for the two shapes

$$-36 < f_{\text{NL}}^{\text{local}} < 100 \quad \text{at 95\% C.L.}$$

$$-256 < f_{\text{NL}}^{\text{equil.}} < 336 \quad \text{at 95\%}$$

C.L.

- Slight (10%) improvement wrt to WMAP analysis for the local shape.
- Limits on equil. shape are not weaker: different normalization.



Conclusions

- Non-Gaussianities as probe of something non-minimal going on
- Two classes of models
 - 1) Non minimal inflaton Lagrangian
 - 2) Additional light fields during inflation
- Equilateral shape VS local shape
- WMAP data analysis for the two shapes
 - 1) Factorizable equil. shape
 - 2) Linear piece in the estimator (Optimal Analysis)
- No detection! Tightest limit on NG parameters
$$-36 < f_{\text{NL}}^{\text{local}} < 100 \quad \text{at 95\% C.L.}$$
$$-256 < f_{\text{NL}}^{\text{equil}} < 332 \quad \text{at 95\% C.L.}$$
- Future
 - WMAP 8 yrs: 20% improvement
 - PLANCK: factor of 4 (additional factor 1.6 from polarization)
- Non-minimal models will be strongly constrained