

# Testing BSM Scenarios with the CMB Precision Cosmology

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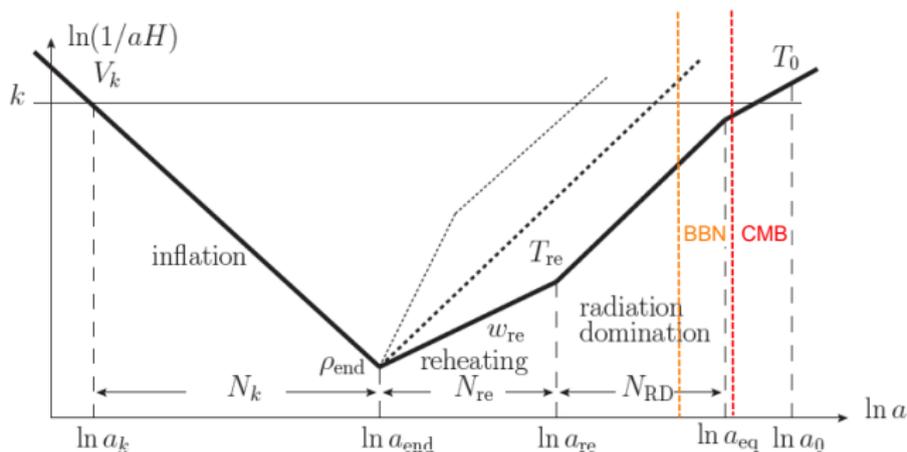
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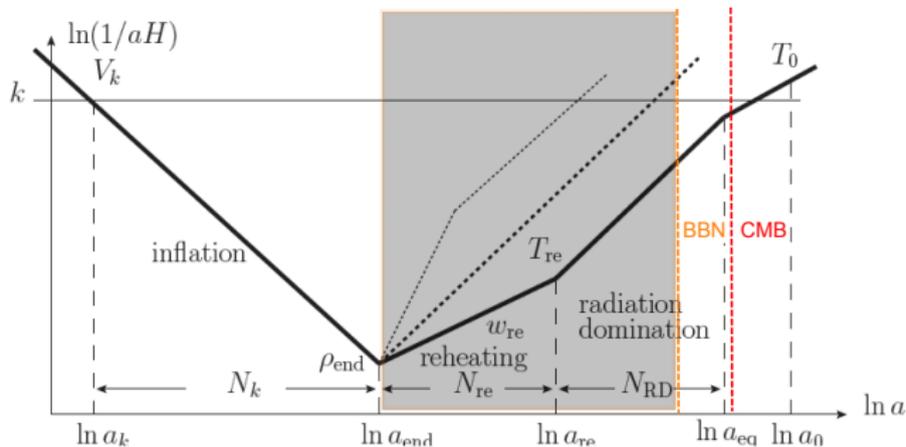


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- ▶ 4th Generation Observations. LiteBIRD, Core+, CMB-S4, PRISM, PIXIE

The sensitivity **forecasts** for  $n_s$  and  $r$  is of the order of  $10^3$  and such a measurement will account for a substantial leap forward at the observational side

$$n_s = 0.96?? \pm 0.0010, \quad r < 0.003$$

# Quantifying the effects of the **pre-BBN** period

- ▶ We define  $N_{\text{dark}}$  the number of e-folds from the end of inflation until the beginning of the BBN
- ▶ The number of efolds before the end of inflation

$$N_* \approx 66.7 - \ln\left(\frac{k_*}{a_0 H_0}\right) + \frac{1}{4} \ln\left(\frac{V_*^2}{M_{\text{Pl}}^4 \rho_{\text{end}}}\right) - \frac{1 - 3\bar{w}_{\text{dark}}}{4} N_{\text{dark}} - \frac{1}{12} \ln(g_*)$$

$$n_s = 1 - \frac{\alpha}{N_*}$$

- ▶ The uncertainty on the  $N_*$  comes mainly from the post-acceleration stage and induces an uncertainty on the spectral index value given by the  $n_s$  running that for the reads

$$\Delta n_s = \alpha \frac{\Delta N_*}{N_*^2}$$

For  $\Delta N_* \sim 1 - 10$  the  $\Delta n_s$  is of size  $\mathcal{O}(0.1 - 1)\%$ , that is within the accuracy of the future observations.

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- ▶ If  $\Delta N_X \sim 10$  then  $D_X \sim 10^{13}$  and  $\Delta n_s \sim 0.01$
- ▶ If  $\Delta N_X \sim 1$  then  $D_X \sim 10$  and  $\Delta n_s \sim 0.001$

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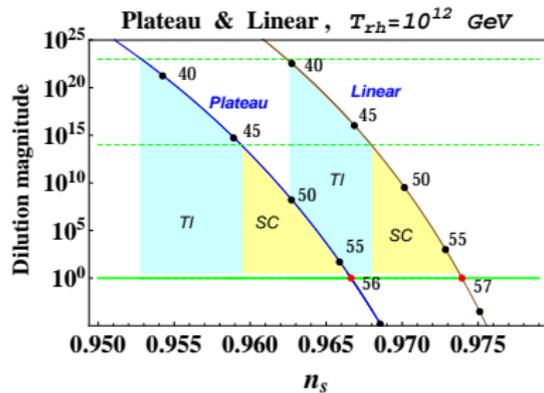
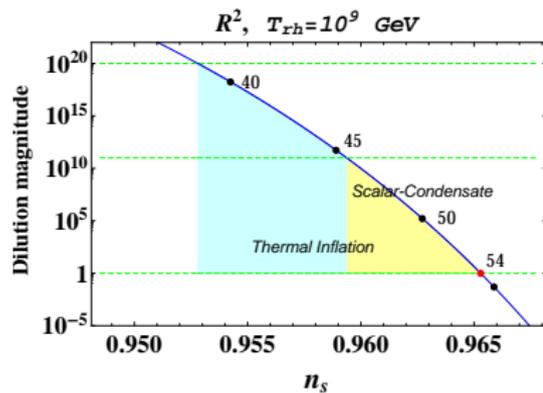
The shift in the tensor-to-scalar ratio, coming from the phenomenological parametrization of the scalar tilt

$$\Delta r = \frac{(r^{(\text{th})})^2}{16} \left[ 2(\alpha - 1)^{-1} + \alpha AN^{\alpha-1} \right] \Delta N_X, \quad (1)$$

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# The shift in the spectral index value and the dilution magnitude



The shift in the  $n_s$  and the  $D_X$  due to scalar condensate domination (SC) and due to thermal inflation (TI) for the Starobinsky  $R^2$  inflation (left panel), general plateau and linear inflationary potentials (right panel).

# Test a BSM theory

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SUSY is a compelling BSM scenario

- ▶ Natural SUSY?
- ▶ Quasi-Natural SUSY <sup>8</sup>
- ▶ Split Scale SUSY: *The scalar sparticles are much heavier than gauginos and higgsinos* <sup>9</sup>
- ▶ High Scale SUSY *The sparticles have masses around a common scale  $\tilde{m}$*

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# SUSY Dark Matter and Relic Abundances

Two well-known examples:

For **gravitino** and **neutralino** LSP one can collectively write down a general scaling with respect to the mass parameters and temperature

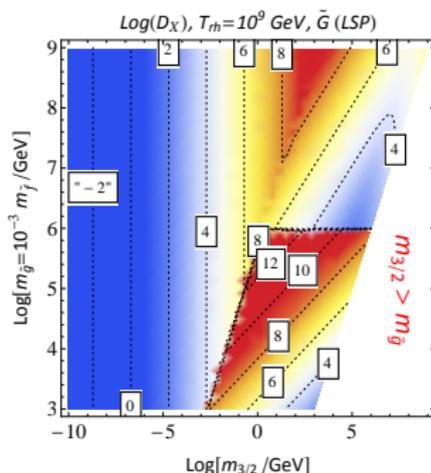
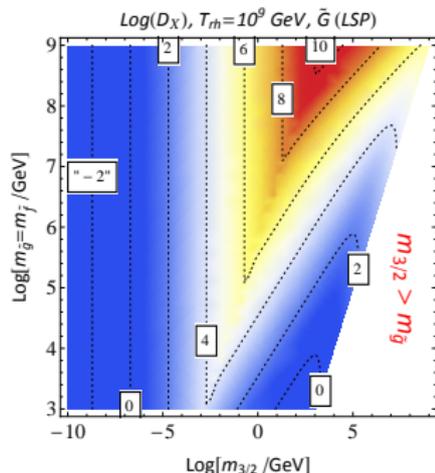
$$\Omega_{3/2} \propto m_{3/2}^{\alpha} \left( \frac{m_{\tilde{g}}}{m_{3/2}} \right)^{\beta} \left( \frac{m_{\tilde{f}}}{m_{3/2}} \right)^{\gamma} T_{\text{rh}}^{\delta}, \quad m_{3/2} < m_{\tilde{g}}, m_{\tilde{f}},$$

and

$$\Omega_{\tilde{\chi}^0} \propto m_{\tilde{\chi}^0}^{\tilde{\alpha}} m_{3/2}^{\tilde{\beta}} \left( \frac{m_{\tilde{f}}}{m_{3/2}} \right)^{\tilde{\gamma}} T_{\text{rh}}^{\tilde{\delta}}, \quad m_{\tilde{\chi}^0} < m_{3/2}, m_{\tilde{f}}$$

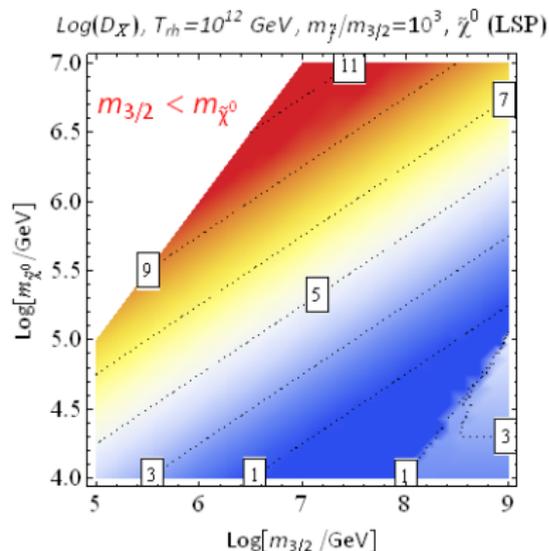
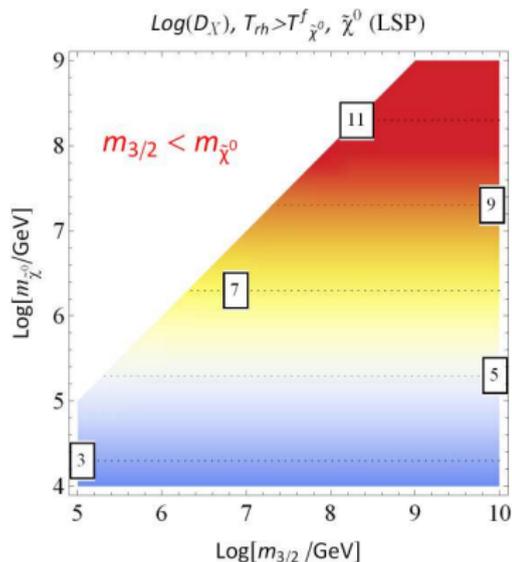
where the exponents  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta)$  and  $(\tilde{\alpha}, \tilde{\beta}, \tilde{\gamma}, \tilde{\delta})$  are either positive or zero, depending on the dark matter production mechanism considered.

# Multi-TeV SUSY, Gravitino DM and viable cosmology



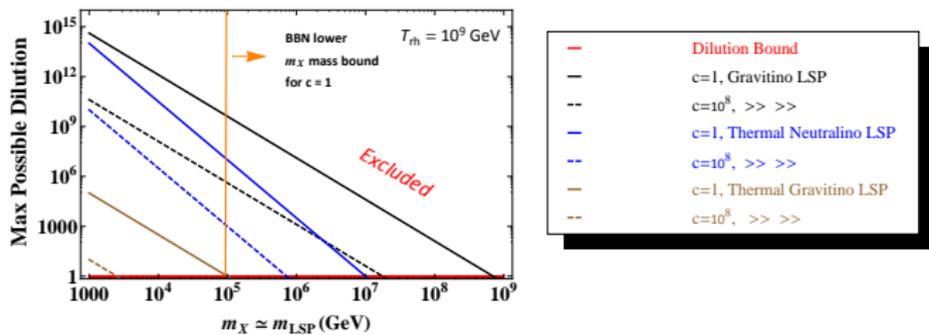
Density and contour plot of the logarithm of the *required* dilution for  $T_{\text{rh}} = 10^9$  GeV reheating temperature after inflation and gravitino the stable LSP. Thermal production of helicity  $\pm 3/2$  and  $\pm 1/2$  gravitinos from scatterings in the plasma, non-thermal production from decays of sfermions and the NLSP to helicity  $\pm 1/2$  gravitinos have been taken into account.

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Density and contour plot of the *required* dilution for neutralino stable LSP. In the left panel the neutralino abundance is the thermal one. In the right the neutralino yield is dominated by the decay of gravitinos produced from sfermion decays. The gravitino mass is taken to be  $m_{3/2} > 10^5 \text{ GeV}$  to avoid BBN constraints.

# The maximum possible dilution due to a scalar condensate



- ▶ The X domination, either due to its nearly constant potential energy or due to the energy stored in its oscillations about the vacuum, dilutes the LSP abundance  $D_X$  times and supplements it with the contribution from the diluter decay

$$\Omega_{\text{LSP}}^< \rightarrow \frac{\Omega_{\text{LSP}}^<}{D_X} + \Omega_{\text{LSP}}^X \equiv \Omega_{\text{LSP}},$$

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We have to work in a particular inflationary  
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# Starobinsky model of inflation

- ▶ Higher curvature gravitation<sup>10</sup>

$$e^{-1}\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}R + \frac{\alpha}{4}R^2.$$

- ▶ That is recast into Einstein gravity coupled to a scalar (the scalaron)

$$e^{-1}\mathcal{L} = \frac{1}{2}R - \frac{1}{2}\partial\varphi\partial\varphi - \frac{1}{4\alpha}\left(1 - e^{-\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}\varphi}\right)^2.$$

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<sup>10</sup> Starobinsky '80, Whitt '84

<sup>11</sup> Gorbunov and Panin 2011

# The Supergravity Starobinsky inflation model

- ▶ Standard supergravity: 4 new scalar DOF that reside inside appropriate superfields.
- ▶ The Higher Derivative supergravity is equivalent to standard supergravity with Kähler potential<sup>12</sup>

$$K = -3 \ln \{ \mathcal{T} + \bar{\mathcal{T}} + f(S, \bar{S}) \},$$

and superpotential

$$W = 6TS.$$

- ▶ During inflation  $\langle S \rangle = \langle \text{Im} T \rangle = 0$  are strongly stabilized and the model becomes

$$e^{-1} \mathcal{L} = -\frac{M_P^2}{2} R - \frac{1}{2} \partial_\varphi \partial \varphi - \frac{3}{2} m^2 M_P^2 \left( 1 - e^{-\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \varphi / M_P} \right)^2$$

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# The Starobinsky model CMB predictions

Going at next-to-leading order we could probe  $\Delta N_X \sim 1$  changes that could shed light on the pre-BBN cosmic history. For the Starobinsky model the expression reads

$$n_s = 1 - \frac{\alpha_{R^2}}{N} + \frac{\beta_{R^2}(N)}{N^2} = 1 - \frac{2}{N} + \frac{0.81 + 3/2 \ln(N)}{N^2}$$

To order  $1/N^3$  the tensor-to-scalar ratio reads

$$r = \frac{12}{N^2} - \frac{18}{N^3}(2.1 + \ln N)$$

Plugging  $N = 54$  the *thermal* scalar tilt value is obtained

$$n_s^{(\text{th})} \Big|_{R^2} = 0.965, \quad r^{(\text{th})} \Big|_{R^2} = 0.0034$$

that is 0.2% larger than the leading order prediction. We also take at next-to-leading order Note that the  $r$  value is 17% smaller than the value obtained at leading order. Furthermore, going to accuracy level  $1/N^3$  the  $r = r(n_s)$  relation reads

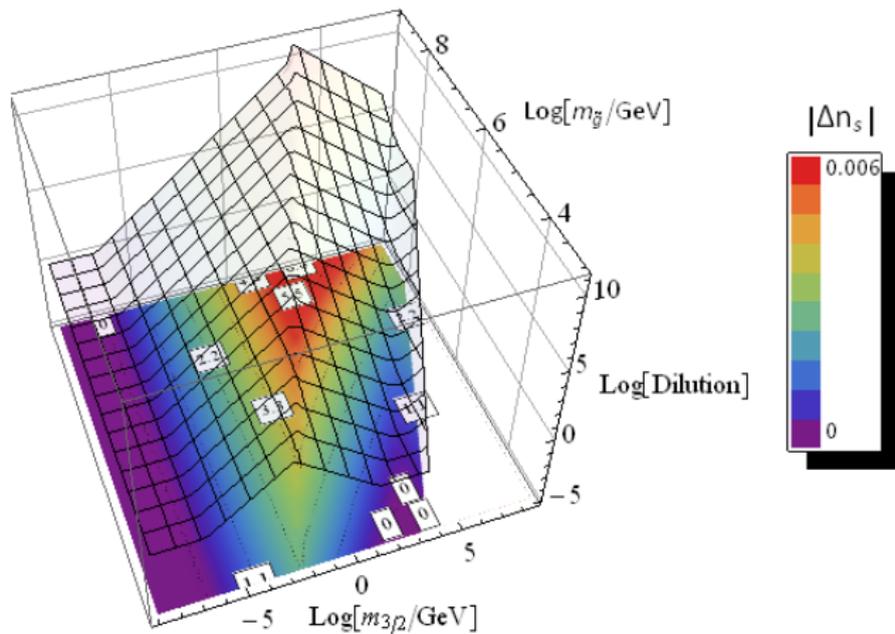
$$r - 3(1 - n_s)^2 + \frac{23}{4}(1 - n_s)^3 = 0$$



# SUSY BSM scenarios: Gravitino LSP

#	$m_Z$	$m_{\tilde{g}}$	$m_{\tilde{t}}$	$m_{3/2}$ (LSP)	$D_X$	$N_*$	$n_s$	$r$	Origin
1	$10^4$	$10^4$	$10^4$	$10^2$	$10^4 _{\min}$	51  $_{\max}$	<b>0.963</b>   $_{\max}$	<b>0.0038</b>   $_{\min}$	Th
2	$10^4$	$10^4$	$10^5$	$10^3$	$10^{10} _{\min}$	46  $_{\max}$	<b>0.960</b>   $_{\max}$	<b>0.0044</b>   $_{\min}$	Th
3	$10^6$	$10^5$	$10^6$	$10^4$	$10^6 _{\min}$	49  $_{\max}$	<b>0.962</b>   $_{\max}$	<b>0.0041</b>   $_{\min}$	Non-th
4	$10^3$	$10^3$	$10^4$	10	1	54	<b>0.965</b>	<b>0.0034</b>	Th

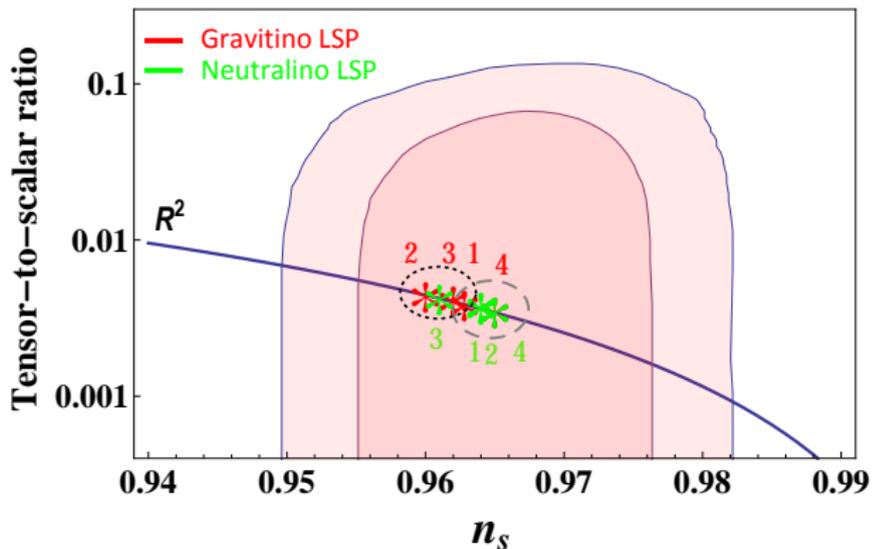
The  $n_s$  and  $r$  prediction for gravitino LSP and a gauge mediation scheme for the  $R^2$  supergravity model. In the cases # 1, 2 and 4 the gravitinos are produced from thermal scatterings of messengers and MSSM fields while in the case # 3 from the non-thermal decay of the supersymmetry breaking  $Z$  field. In cases # 1, 2 and 3 dilution is required to decrease the LSP abundance below the observational bound. In the case # 4 non-minimal hidden sector features have been assumed. The masses are in GeV units.



# SUSY BSM scenarios: Neutralino LSP

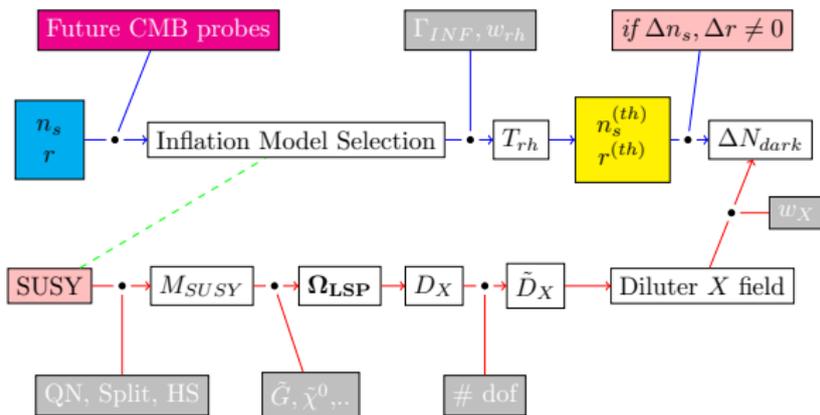
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Constraints on the  $(n_s, r)$  contour plane from Planck-2015 in the pink, and the schematic illustration of  $2\sigma$  forecast constraints from a future CMB probe with sensitivity  $\delta n_s \sim 10^{-3}$  and  $\delta r \sim 10^{-3}$  depicted with the dotted and dashed ellipsis.

# Outline



*This graph demonstrates the analysis presented in this talk to probe BSM scenarios via the CMB precision measurements.*

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