

# CMB: Overview and Current Status

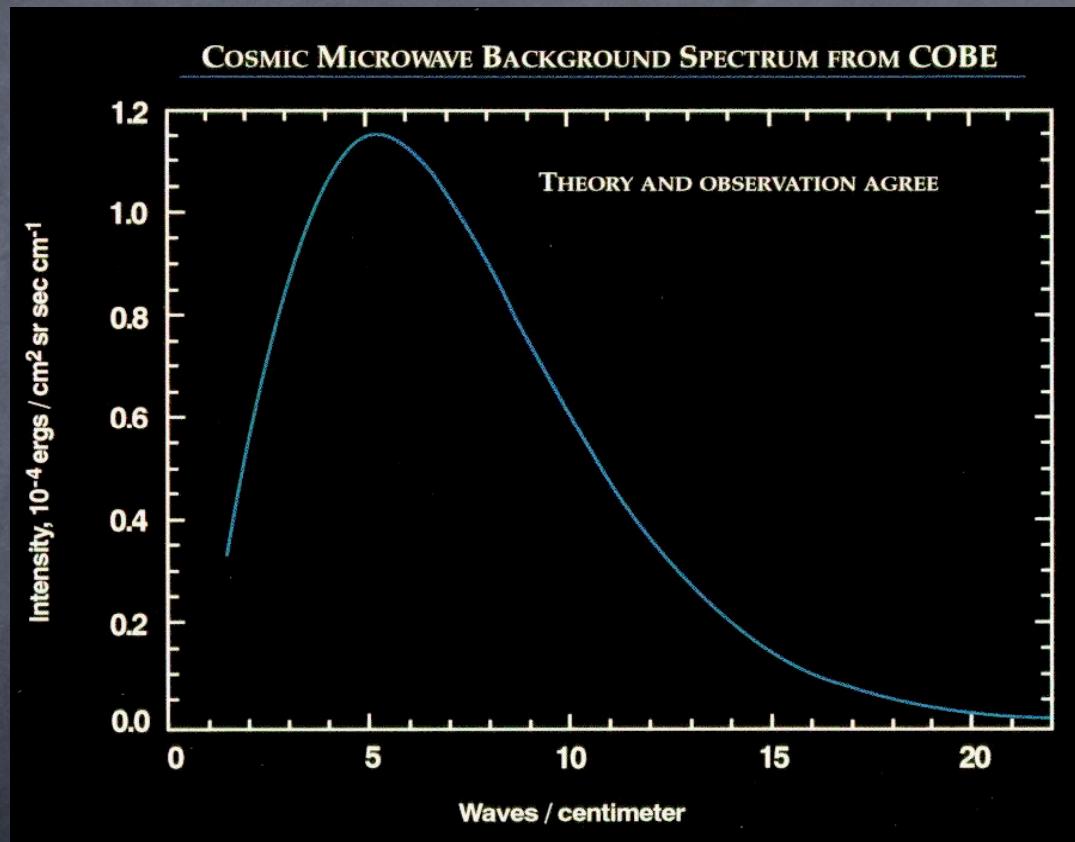
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# We now have a standard cosmological model

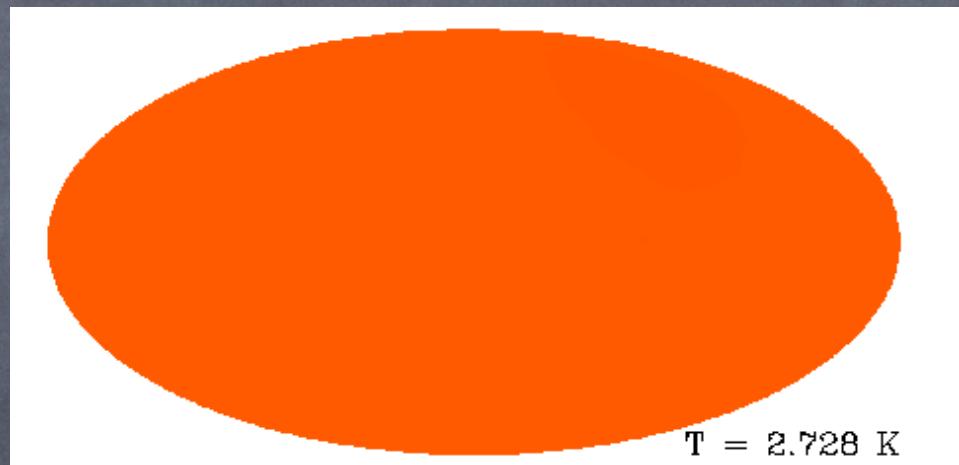
- ⦿ General Relativity + Uniform Universe  $\Rightarrow$  Big Bang
  - ⦿ Density of universe determines its fate + shape
- ⦿ Universe is flat (total density = critical density)
  - ⦿ Atoms 4%
  - ⦿ Dark Matter 23%
  - ⦿ Dark Energy (cosmological constant?) 72%
- ⦿ Universe has tiny ripples

**THIS MODEL FITS ALL OF THE COSMOLOGICAL DATA!**

# Observing the CMB

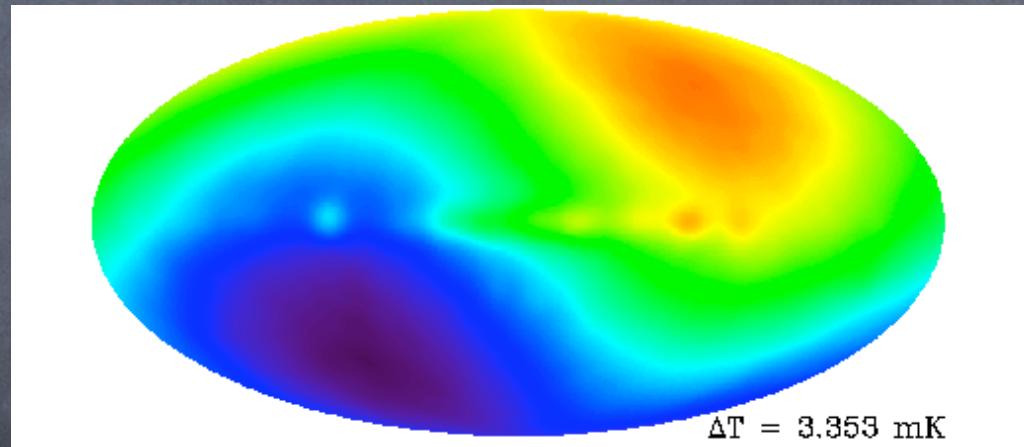


# Looking for CMB Fluctuations

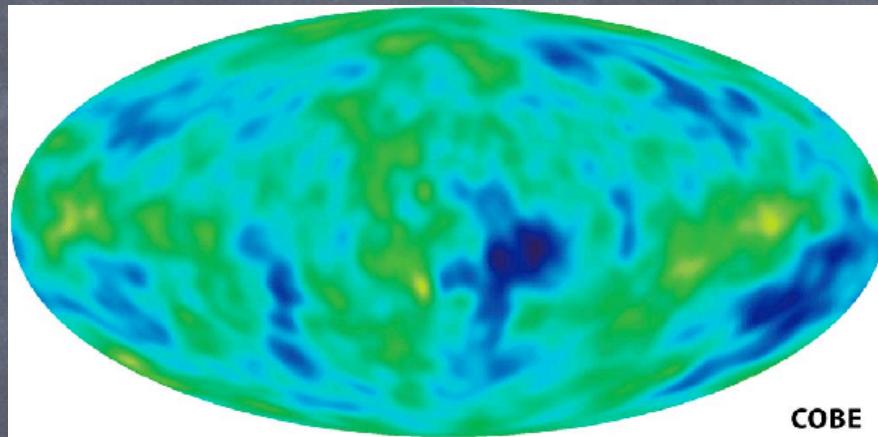


$T = 2.728$  K

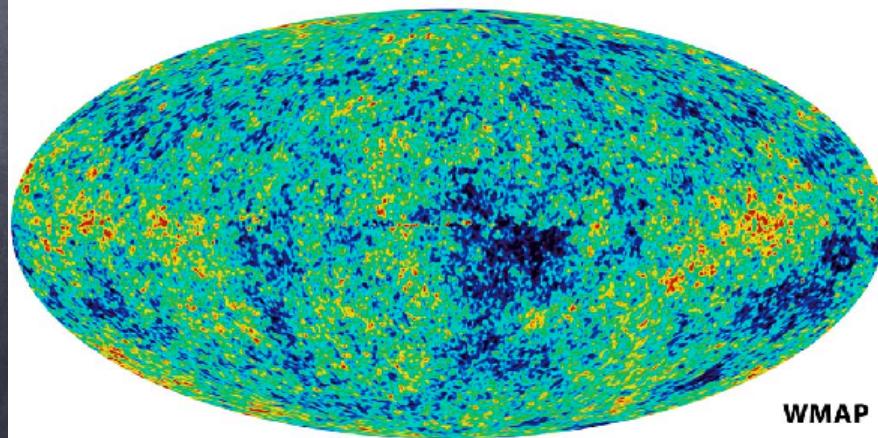
# CMB Dipole



# CMB Fluctuations



COBE



WMAP

## PRIMEVAL ADIABATIC PERTURBATION IN AN EXPANDING UNIVERSE\*

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### ABSTRACT

The general qualitative behavior of linear, first-order density perturbations in a Friedmann-Lemaître cosmological model with radiation and matter has been known for some time in the various limiting situations. An exact quantitative calculation which traces the entire history of the density fluctuations is lacking because the usual approximations of a very short photon mean free path before plasma recombination, and a very long mean free path after, are inadequate. We present here results of the direct integration of the collision equation of the photon distribution function, which enable us to treat in detail the complicated regime of plasma recombination. Starting from an assumed initial power spectrum well before recombination, we obtain a final spectrum of density perturbations after recombination. The calculations are carried out for several general-relativity models and one scalar-tensor model. One can identify two characteristic masses in the final power spectrum: one is the mass within the Hubble radius  $c t$  at recombination, and the other results from the linear dissipation of the perturbations prior to recombination. Conceivably the first of these numbers is associated with the great rich clusters of galaxies, the second with the large galaxies. We compute also the expected residual irregularity in the radiation from the primeval fireball. If we assume that (1) the rich clusters formed from an initially adiabatic perturbation and (2) the fireball radiation has not been seriously perturbed after the epoch of recombination of the primeval plasma, then with an angular resolution of 1 minute of arc the rms fluctuation in antenna temperature should be at least  $\delta T/T = 0.00015$ .

### I. INTRODUCTION

# SMALL-SCALE FLUCTUATIONS OF RELIC RADIATION\*

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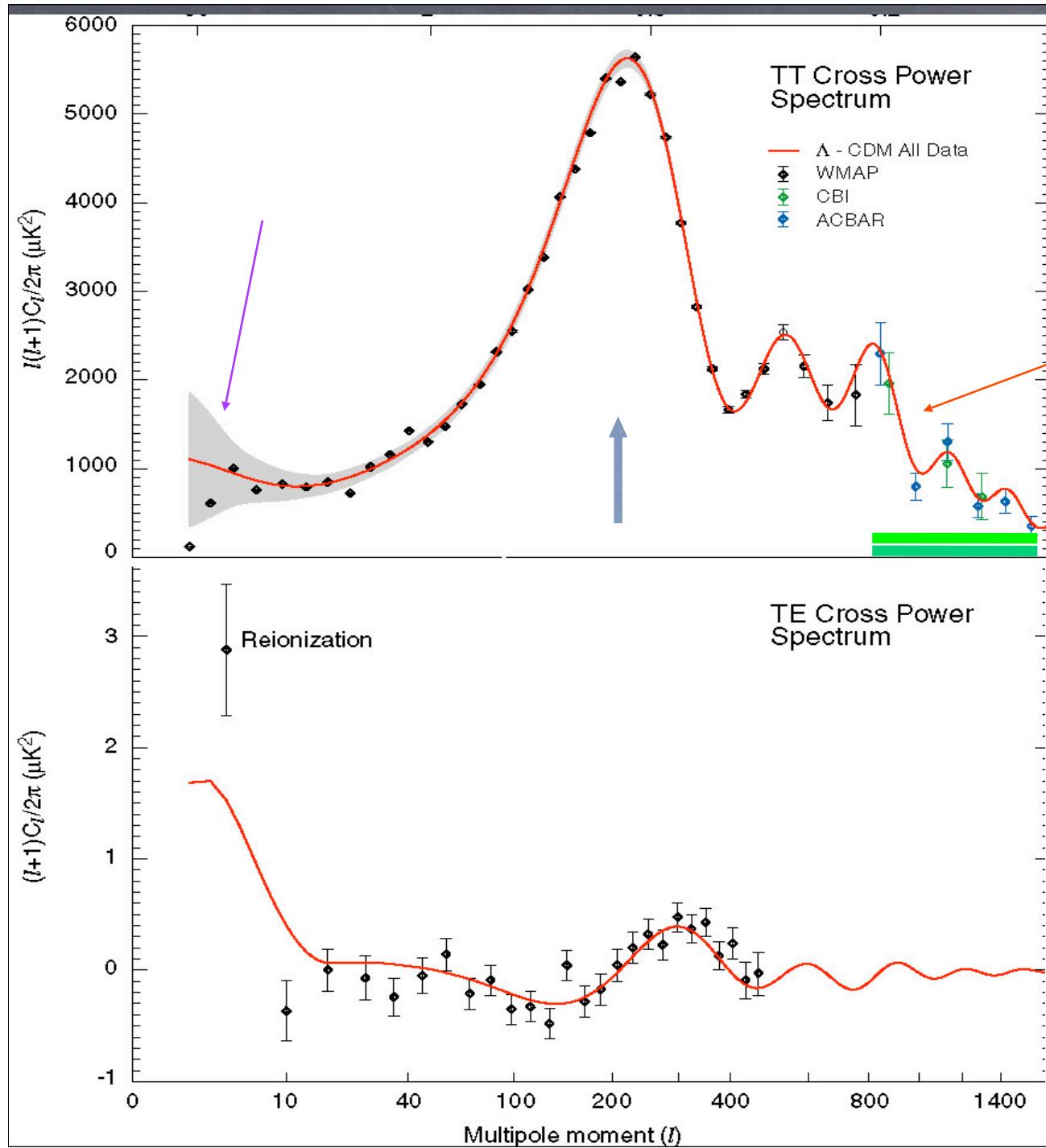
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**Abstract.** Perturbations of the matter density in a homogeneous and isotropic cosmological model which leads to the formation of galaxies should, at later stages of evolution, cause spatial fluctuations of relic radiation. Silk assumed that an adiabatic connection existed between the density perturbations at the moment of recombination of the initial plasma and fluctuations of the observed temperature of radiation  $\delta T/T = \delta \varrho_m/3\varrho_m$ . It is shown in this article that such a simple connection is not applicable due to:

- (1) The long time of recombination;
- (2) The fact that when regions with  $M < 10^{15} M_\odot$  become transparent for radiation, the optical depth to the observer is still large due to Thompson scattering;
- (3) The spasmodic increase of  $\delta \varrho_m/\varrho_m$  in recombination.

As a result the expected temperature fluctuations of relic radiation should be smaller than adiabatic fluctuations. In this article the value of  $\delta T/T$  arising from scattering of radiation on moving electrons is calculated; the velocity field is generated by adiabatic or entropy density perturbations. Fluctuations of the relic radiation due to secondary heating of the intergalactic gas are also estimated. A detailed investigation of the spectrum of fluctuations may, in principle, lead to an understanding of the nature of initial density perturbations since a distinct periodic dependence of the spectral density of perturbations on wavelength (mass) is peculiar to adiabatic perturbations. Practical observations are quite difficult due to the smallness of the effects and the presence of fluctuations connected with discrete sources of radio emission.

Sunyaev & Zeldovich

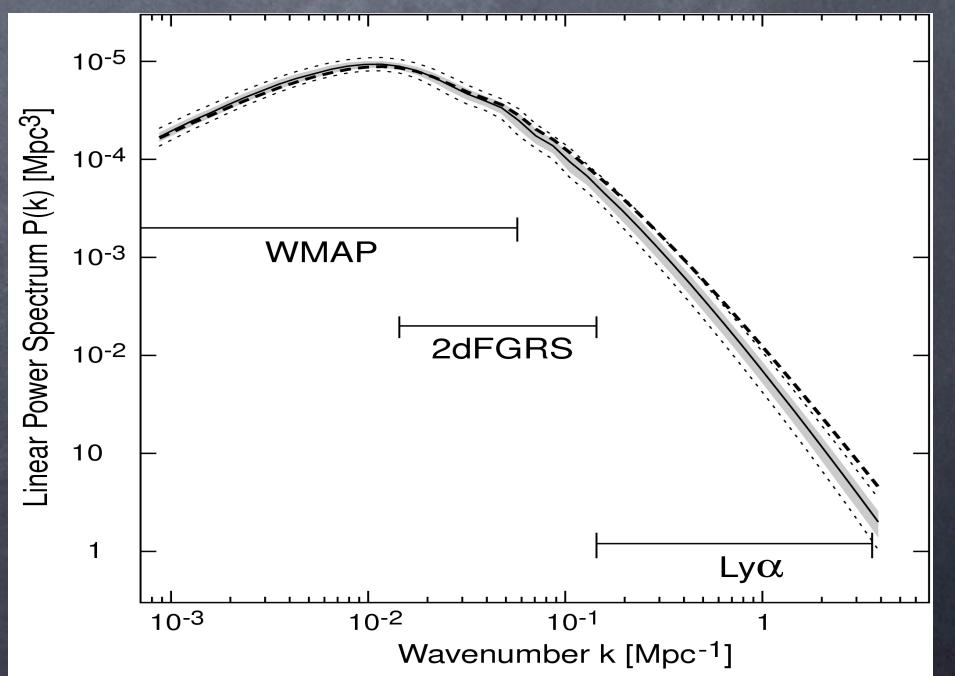
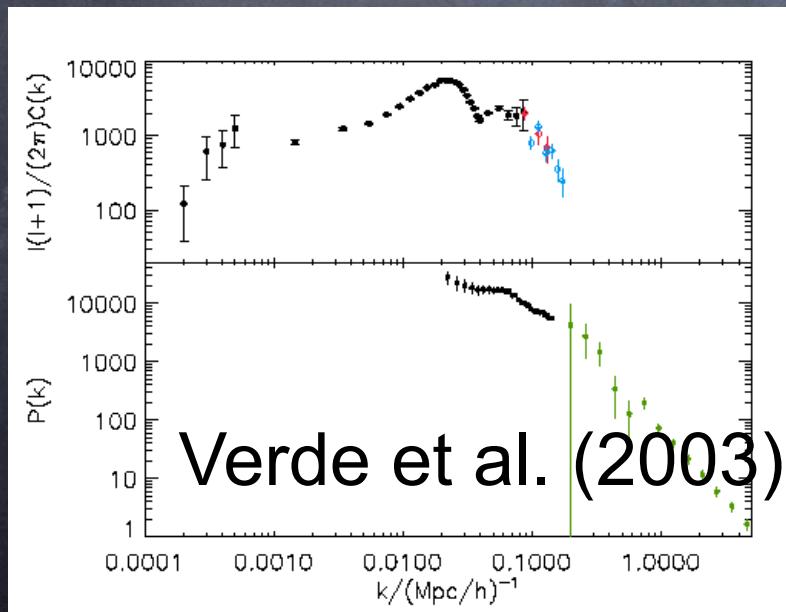
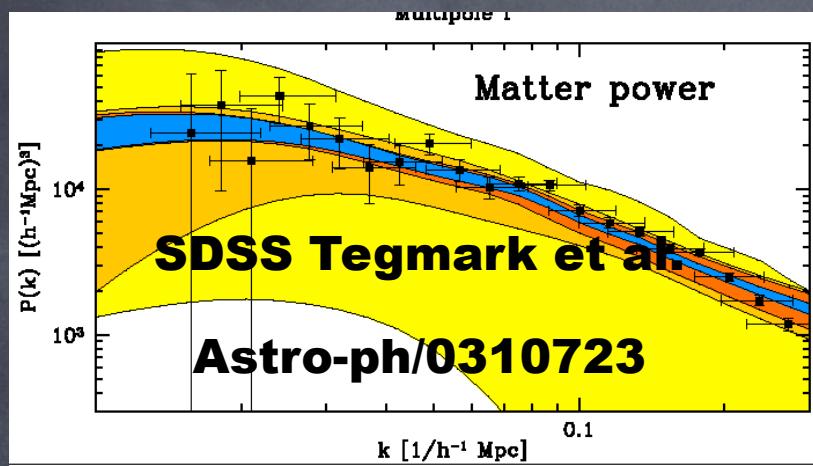


Temperature  
85% of  
sky  
Best fit  
model

WMAP

$A$	$0.9 \pm 0.1$
$n_s$	$0.99 \pm 0.04$
$\tau$	$0.166^{+0.076}_{-0.071}$
$h$	$0.72 \pm 0.05$
$\Omega_m h^2$	$0.14 \pm 0.02$
$\Omega_b h^2$	$0.024 \pm 0.001$
$\chi_{\text{eff}}^2/\nu$	1431/1342

# Model Predicts Today's Universe



# Consistent Parameters

	WMAP+CBI +ACBAR	All CMB(Bond)	CMB+ 2dFGRS	CMB+SDSS (Tegmark)
$\Omega_b h^2$	$.023 \pm .001$	$.0230 \pm .0011$	$.023 \pm .001$	$.0232 \pm .0010$
$\Omega_x h^2$	$.117 \pm .011$	$.117 \pm .010$	$.121 \pm .009$	$.122 \pm .009$
$h$	$.73 \pm .05$	$.72 \pm .05$	$.73 \pm .03$	$.70 \pm .03$
$n_s$	$.97 \pm .03$	$.967 \pm .029$	$.97 \pm .03$	$.977 \pm .03$
$\sigma_8$	$.83 \pm .08$	$.85 \pm .06$	$.84 \pm .06$	$.92 \pm .08$

# Standard Cosmology

- ⦿ We know have a standard cosmological model that answers most of the “old” cosmological questions:
  - ⦿ What is the shape and size of the universe?
  - ⦿ How fast is the universe expanding?
  - ⦿ How old is the universe?
  - ⦿ What is the composition of the universe?
  - ⦿ How do galaxies form?
  - ⦿ What is the origin of the primordial fluctuations?

# New Questions

- ⦿ Physics that we don't know (String theory, quantum cosmology, ...
  - ⦿ How did the universe begin?
  - ⦿ What is the dark energy?
  - ⦿ What is the dark matter?
- ⦿ Physics that we don't know how to calculate (Non-linear hydro, star formation, ...
  - ⦿ First stars
  - ⦿ Galaxy formation

# CMB Observations

- Large angle observations ( $> 5' \ll l < 2000$ ) probes physics at the surface of last scatter ( $z \sim 1100$ )
- Small angle observations ( $< 5' \ll l > 2000$ ) probes local ( $z \sim 0.5$ ) physics



# Lecture Outline

- ⦿ Lecture 1
  - ⦿ Overview
  - ⦿ Gaussian Random Variables
  - ⦿ CMB and Mass Fluctuations
- ⦿ Lecture 2: Evolution of Fluctuations
- ⦿ Lecture 3: Polarization
- ⦿ Lecture 4: Statistics of CMB Fluctuations
- ⦿ Lecture 5: Clusters: SZ Effect and Probing the Growth of Dark Energy

$$p(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}\sigma} \exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

x is a  
Gaussian  
Variable

$$\int p(x)dx = 1$$

$$\langle x \rangle = \int p(x)x dx = 0$$

$$\langle x^2 \rangle = \int p(x)x^2 dx = \sigma^2$$

$$\langle x^{2N+1} \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle x^{2N} \rangle = \frac{(2N)!}{2^N} \sigma^{2N}$$

$$\langle x_i x_j \rangle = \sigma_i^2 \delta_{ij}$$

$$y_k = \sum_i \alpha_{ki} x_i$$

$$\begin{aligned}\langle y_k y_l \rangle &= \sum_i \sum_j \alpha_{ki} \alpha_{lj} \langle x_i x_j \rangle \\ &= \sum_i \alpha_{ki} \alpha_{li} \sigma_i^2 \equiv C_{kl}\end{aligned}$$

$$\langle y_k^{2N+1} \rangle = 0$$

$$\langle y_k^{2N} \rangle = \frac{(2N)!}{2^N} [C_{kk}]^{(2N)}$$

The sum of  
random  
variables is also  
a Gaussian  
variable

# Density Fluctuations

$$\rho(\vec{x}) = \rho_0 [1 + \int d^3k A(\vec{k}) \exp(i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x})]$$
$$\langle A(\vec{k}) A(\vec{k}') \rangle = P(k)$$

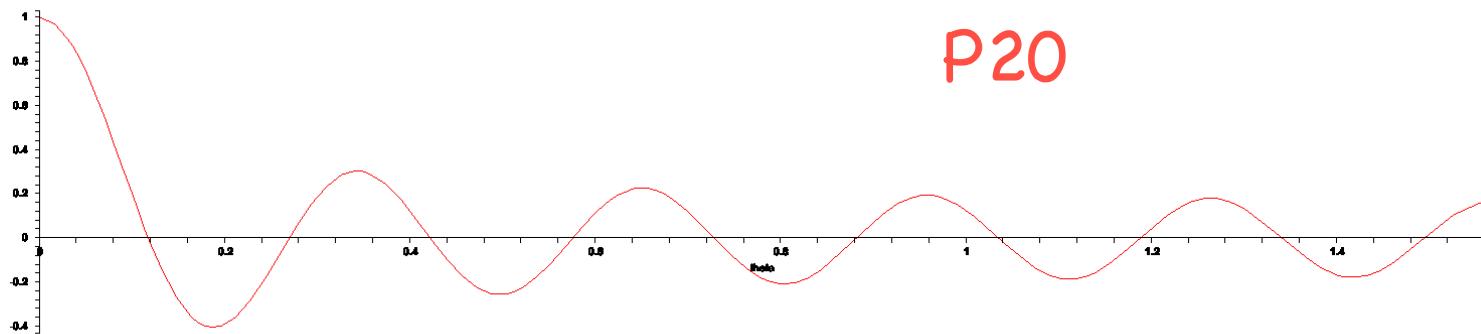
$$\rho_s(\vec{x}) = \int d^3\rho(\vec{x}) W(|\vec{x} - \vec{x}'|)$$

$$W(r) = \exp[-r^2/(2r_0^2)]$$

$$\rho_s(\vec{x}) = \int d^3k A(\vec{k}) W(k) \exp(i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x})]$$

$$W(k) = \exp(-k^2 r_0^2/2)$$

# Legendre Polynomials



P20

First null near  
2/l radians

$$\sum_m Y_{lm}(\hat{n}) Y_{lm}(\hat{n}') = \frac{2l+1}{4\pi} P_l(\hat{n} \cdot \hat{n}')$$

$$\theta \sim \frac{180^\circ}{l}$$

# Temperature Fluctuations

$$T(\hat{n}) = \sum_{lm} a_{lm} Y_{lm}(\hat{n})$$

$$\langle a_{lm} a_{l'm'} \rangle = c_l$$

$$T_s(\hat{n}) = \int d^2n' T(\hat{n}) W(|\hat{n} - \hat{n}'|)$$

$$T_s(\hat{n}) = \sum_{lm} a_{lm} w_l Y_{lm}(\hat{n})$$

$$\begin{aligned} C(\cos \theta) &= \int \frac{d^2n}{4\pi} \frac{d^2n'}{4\pi} T(\hat{n}) T(\hat{n}') \delta(\hat{n} \cdot \hat{n}' - \cos \theta) \\ &= \int \frac{d^2n}{4\pi} \frac{d^2n'}{4\pi} \sum_{lm} \sum_{l'm'} a_{lm} a_{l'm'} Y_{lm}(\hat{n}) Y_{l'm'}(\hat{n}') \delta(\hat{n} \cdot \hat{n}' - \cos \theta) \\ &= \int \frac{d^2n}{4\pi} \frac{d^2n'}{4\pi} \sum_l c_l \frac{2l+1}{4\pi} P_l(\hat{n} \cdot \hat{n}') \delta(\hat{n} \cdot \hat{n}' - \cos \theta) \\ &= \sum_l c_l \frac{2l+1}{4\pi} P_l(\cos \gamma) \end{aligned}$$

The statistical properties  
of temperature and  
density fluctuations are  
characterized ENTIRELY  
by the amplitude of the  
power spectrum

# Fluctuations from SLS

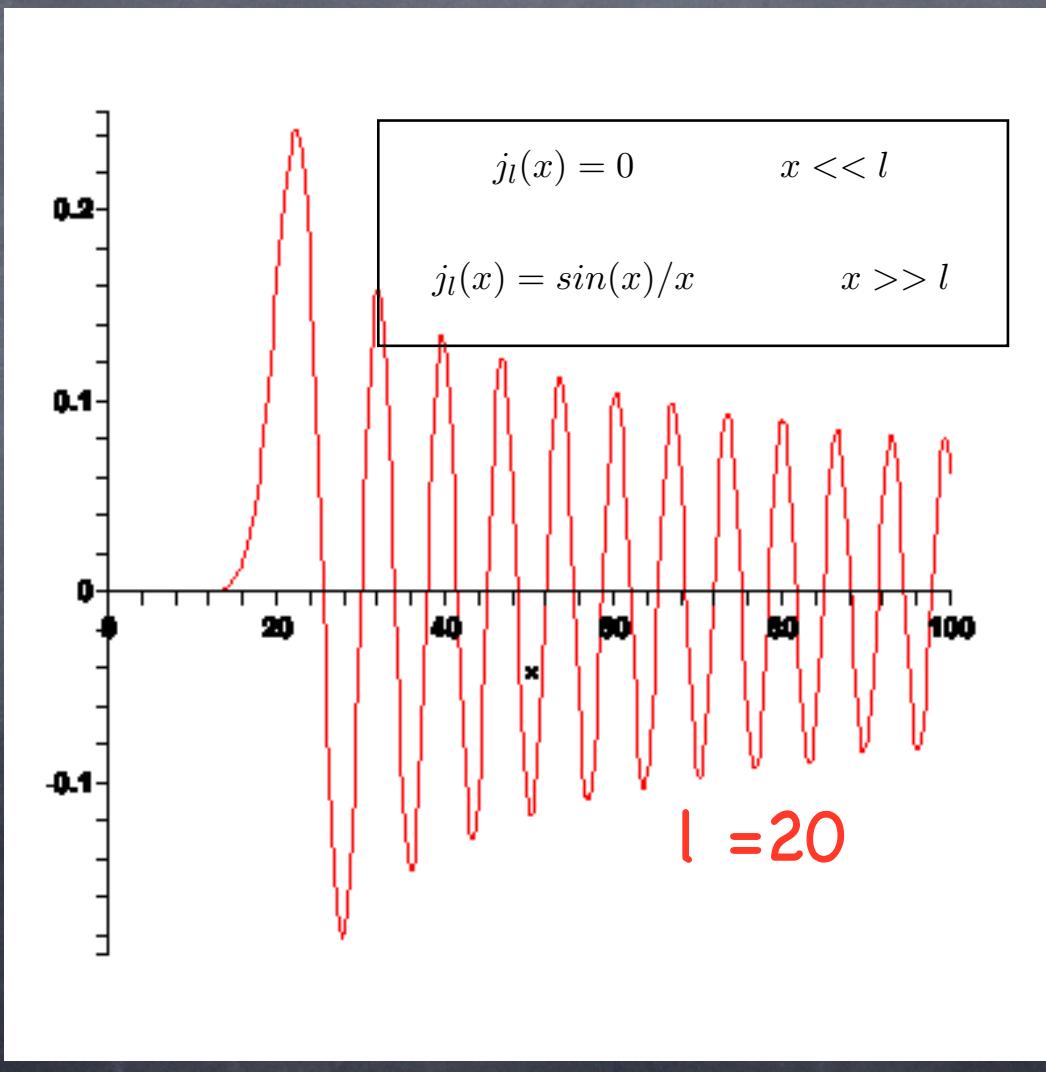
$$\begin{aligned} T(\hat{n}(\eta_0 - \eta_{LS})) &= \int d^3k T(\vec{k}, \eta_{LS}) \exp(i\vec{k} \cdot \hat{n}(\eta_0 - \eta_{LS})) \\ &= \int d^3k T(\vec{k}, \eta_{LS}) \sum_{lm} j_l[k(\eta_0 - \eta_{LS})] Y_{lm}(\hat{n}) Y_{lm}^*(\hat{k}) \end{aligned}$$

$$T(\hat{n}(\eta_0 - \eta_{LS})) = \sum_{lm} a_{lm} Y_{lm}(\hat{n})$$

$$a_{lm} = 4\pi \int k^2 dk T_{lm}(k) j_l[k(\eta_0 - \eta_{LS})]$$

$$\eta = \int_0^t \frac{dt'}{a(t')}$$

# Bessel Function



# Problem

In the next lecture, we will show that for adiabatic fluctuations in a matter dominated universe,

$$T(r, \eta_{LS}) = -\frac{\Phi(r)}{3} \quad (21)$$

Assume a scale invariant spectrum for  $\Phi$ :

$$\langle \Phi_{lm}(k) \Phi_{lm}^*(k') \rangle = A k^{-3} \delta_{lm}^{l'm'} \delta(k - k') \quad (22)$$

and compute the angular power spectrum.

# Solution

$$a_{lm} = \frac{1}{3} \int k^2 dk \Phi_{lm}(k) j_l(k(\eta_0 - \eta_{LS}))$$

$$\begin{aligned} c_l &= \langle a_{lm} a_{lm} \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{9} \int k^2 dk (k')^2 dk' \langle \Phi_{lm}(k) \Phi_{lm}(k') \rangle j_l(k(\eta_0 - \eta_{LS})) j_l(k'(\eta_0 - \eta_{LS})) \\ &= \frac{A}{9} \int \frac{dk}{k} j_l^2(k\eta_0 - \eta_{LS}) \\ &\propto \frac{A}{l(l+1)} \end{aligned}$$

# Lecture 2 Evolution of Fluctuations

$$c_l = \int k^2 dk P(k) \Theta_l^2(k)$$

Initial Conditions

Evolution

# How do we compute CMB angular power spectrum?

- ⦿ Download CMBFAST or CAMB from the web.  
These fast computer programs evaluate the CMB angular power spectrum and the matter power spectrum for different sets of initial conditions
- ⦿ Solve coupled linear gravity-Boltzmann equation numerically (see Dodelson's textbook)
- ⦿ Use tight coupling approximation to estimate the angular power spectrum (Hu & Sugiyama)

# Initial Conditions

$$\Phi(\vec{x}, t_{initial}) = \int d^3k \exp(i\vec{k} \cdot \vec{x}) \Phi(\vec{k}, t_{initial})$$

$$\nabla^2 \Phi = 4\pi G \rho a^2 \Delta$$

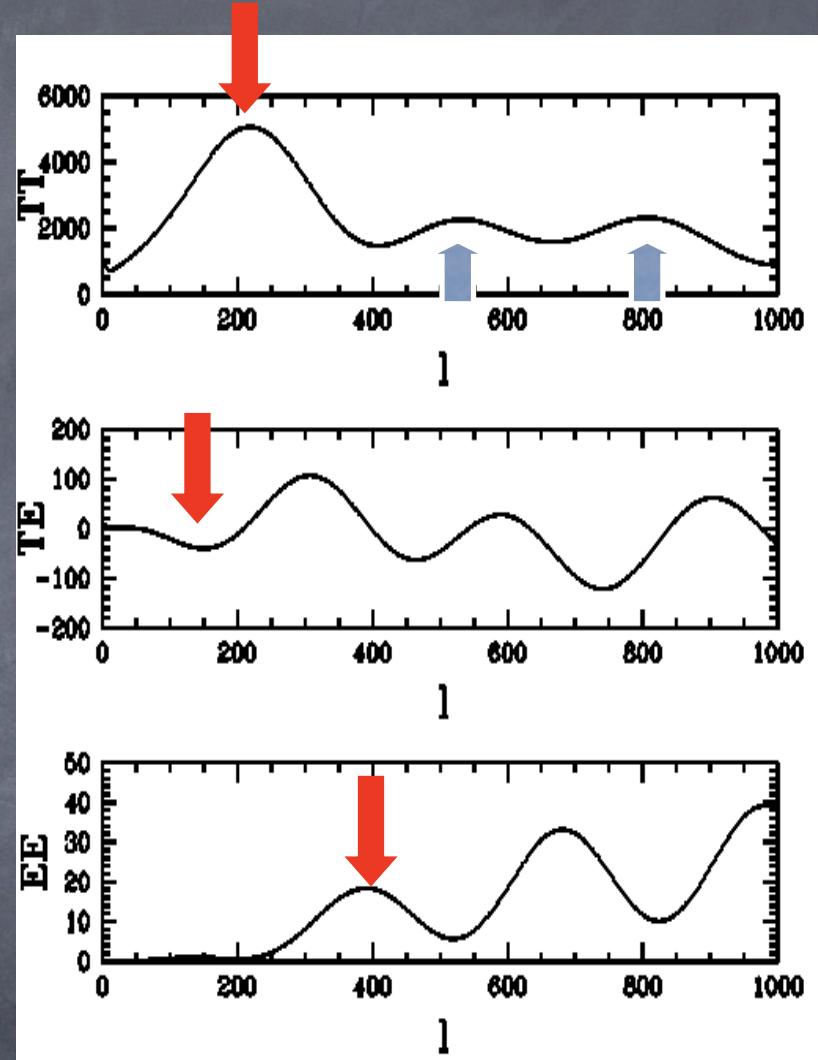
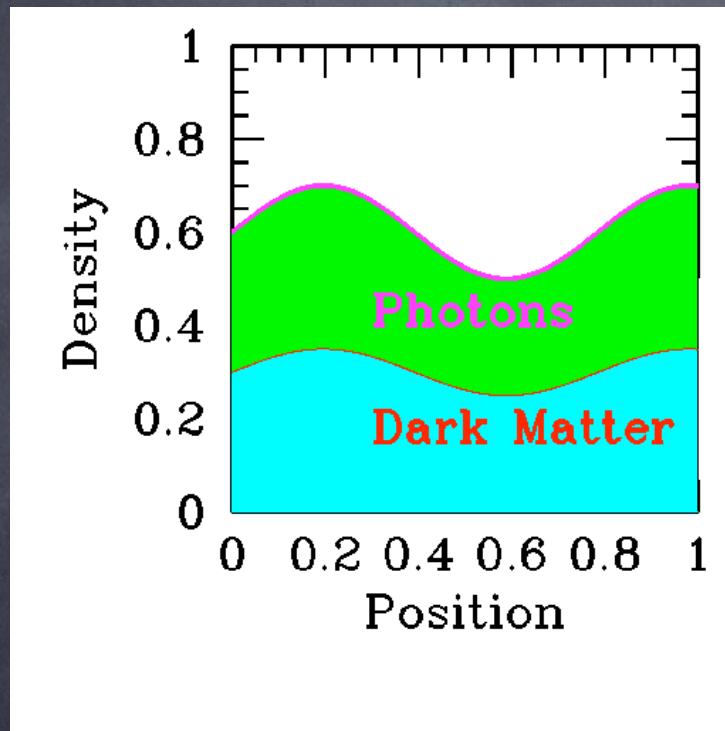
$$\Delta(\vec{k}) = \frac{k^2 a}{3/2\Omega_m H_0^2} \Phi(\vec{k})$$

$$\Delta_{tot} = \Delta_\gamma + \Delta_{baryon} + \Delta_\nu + \Delta_{DM}$$

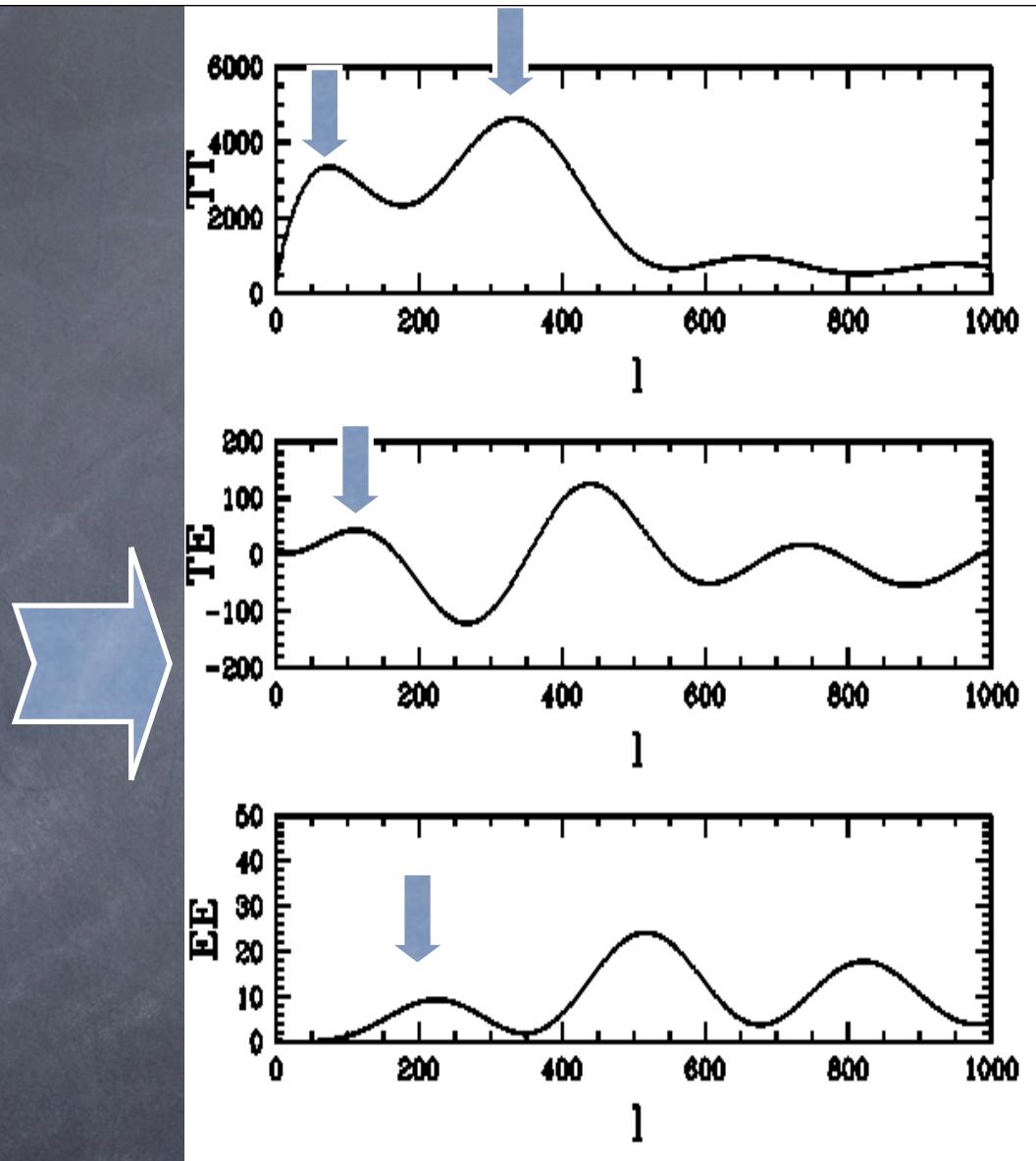
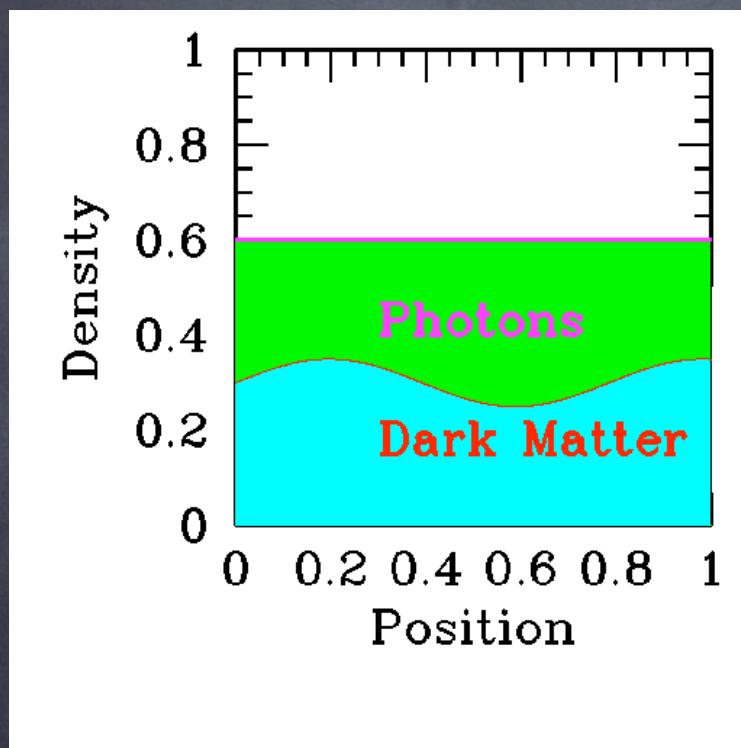
Density and Potential  
Fluctuations are Gaussian  
Random Variables

$$S_i = \frac{n_i}{n_\gamma}$$

Adiabatic Initial Conditions:  $S(x, t) = S$   
Isocurvature Initial Conditions  $\Phi(\vec{x}, t_{initial}) = 0$

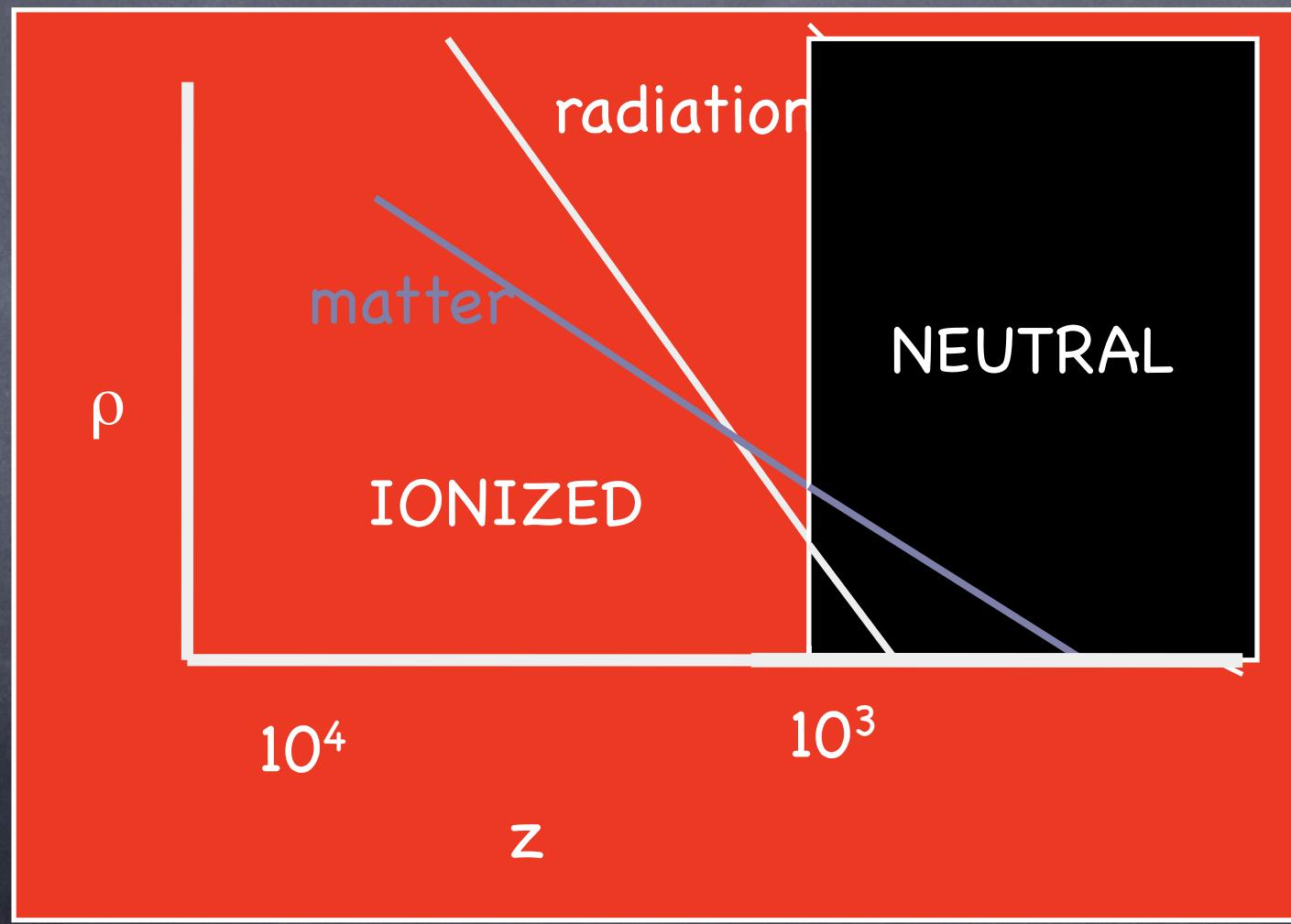


ADIABATIC DENSITY  
FLUCTUATIONS

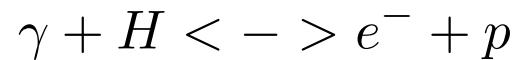


ISOCURVATURE ENTROPY  
FLUCTUATIONS

# Thermal History of Universe



# Decoupling Happens Fast



$$n_\gamma(E > 13.6\text{eV})/n_e^- \sim 10^{10} \exp(-13.6\text{eV}/T_\gamma)$$

The ionized fraction rapidly drops from 1 to 0.001 between  $z=1200$  and  $z = 1000$

At  $z > 1200$ , photons are tightly coupled to electrons.  
At  $z < 1000$ , photons stream freely with minimal interactions with matter

# Evolution of Photon Fluctuations

- ⦿ Tight coupling regime: fluctuations oscillate as acoustic waves
- ⦿ Silk damping regime ( $1200 < z < 1000$ ): photons diffuse out of fluctuations
- ⦿ Free streaming

# Tight Coupling

$$\ddot{\Theta} + c_s^2 k^2 \Theta = F(\Phi)$$

$$\Theta = A_0 \cos(kr_s) + B_0 \sin(kr_s)$$

$$r_s = \int c_s(\eta) d\eta$$

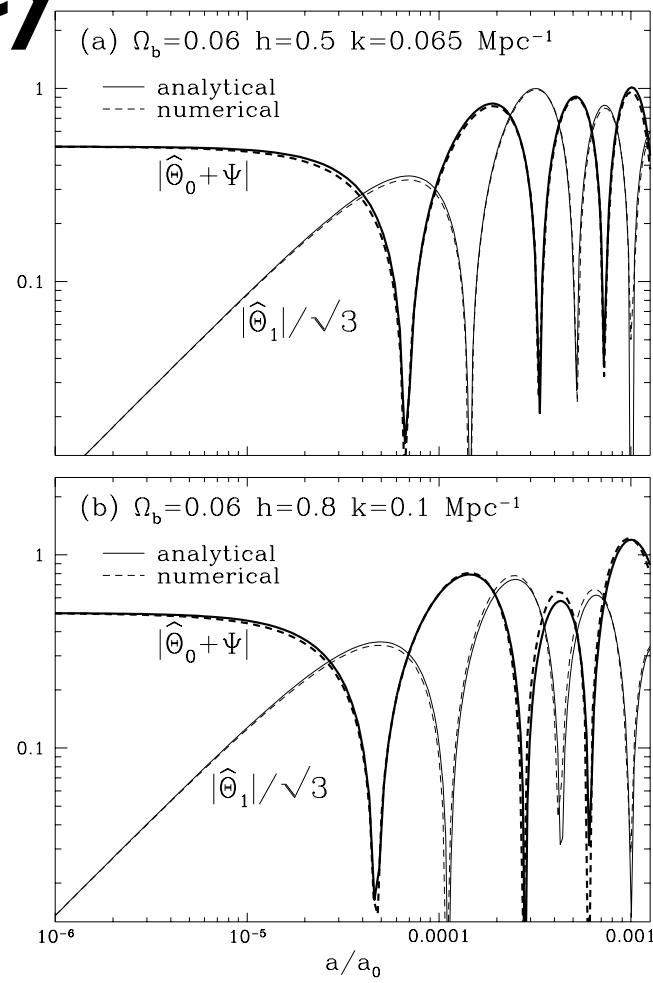
$$c_s^2 = \frac{p}{\rho} = \frac{1/3 \rho_\gamma}{\rho_\gamma + (4/3) \rho_{baryon}}$$

# Velocity

$$\dot{\Theta}_0 + k\Theta_1 = 0$$

$$\Theta_1 = c_s A \sin(kr_s)$$

$$\dot{v}_b = n_e \sigma_T R (v_b - \Theta_1)$$

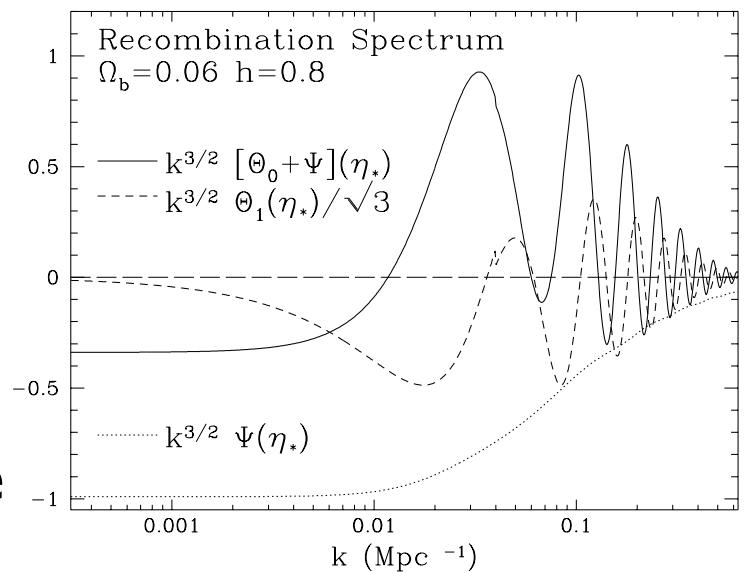


# Silk Damping

$$\Theta_0, \Theta_1 \sim \exp(-k^2/k_D^2)$$

$$k_D^{-2} \simeq \int \frac{d\eta}{n_e \sigma_T a}$$

Photons diffusing out of density fluctuations damp the fluctuations



# Propagation

$$T(k, \eta_D) = \left[ -\frac{4}{3} + \cos(kr_s^*) \right] \exp(-k^2/k_D^2) \Phi(k) + i c_s \Phi(k) \sin(kr_s^*) \exp(-k^2/k_D^2)$$

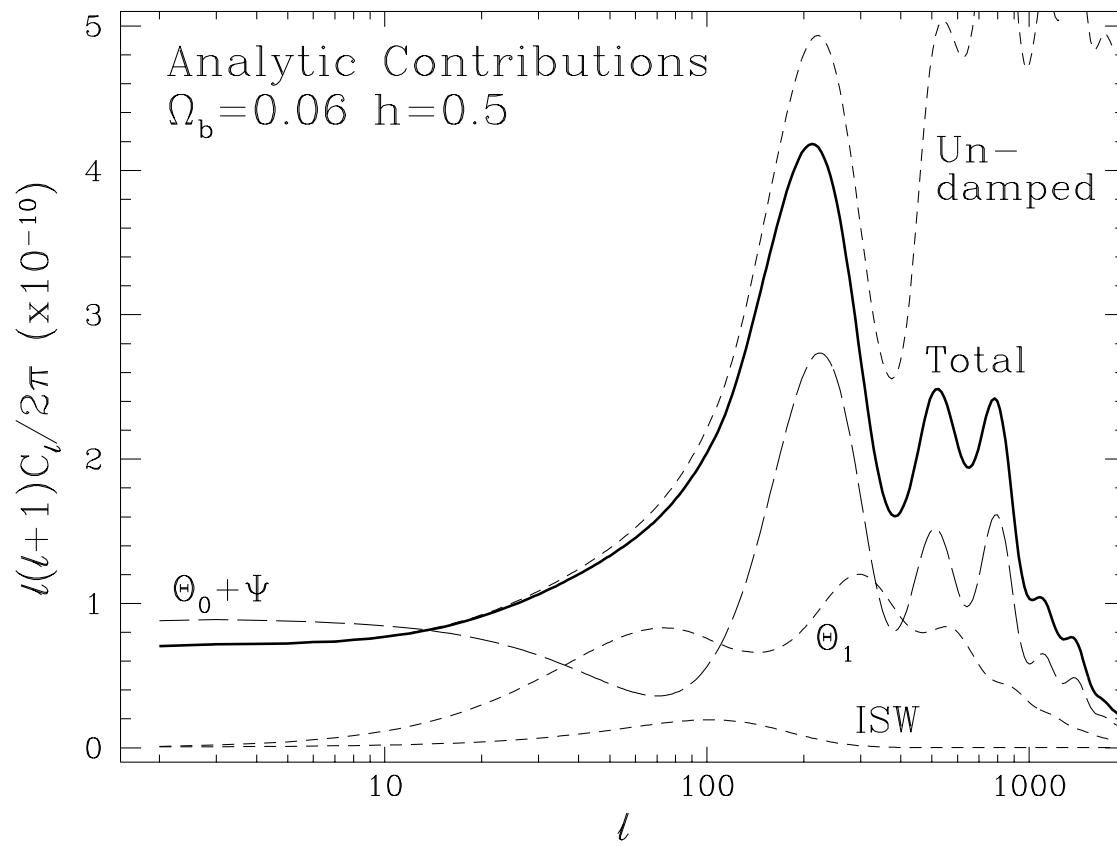
$$\begin{aligned} a_{lm} = & \left\{ \Phi_{lm}(k) \left[ -\frac{4}{3} + \cos(kr_s^*) \right] \exp(-k^2/k_D^2) \right. \\ & \left. + i c_s \Phi_{lm} i(k) \sin(kr_s^*) \exp(-k^2/k_D^2) \right\} j_l(k(\eta_0 - \eta_{LS})) \end{aligned}$$

$$c_l = \int P(k) \left\{ \left[ -\frac{4}{3} + \cos(kr_s^*) \right]^2 \exp(-2k^2/k_D^2) + c_s^2 \sin^2(kr_s^*) \right\} j_l^2(k(\eta_0 - \eta_{LS}))$$

$$k_{peak} r_s = n\pi$$

$$l_{peak} = k_{peak} \eta_0 = \pi \eta_0 / r_s \simeq 200$$

# Approximate Angular Power Spectrum



# ISW Term

- In a flat matter dominated universe, the gravitational potential is constant
- Early ISW: matter radiation equality is at  $z \sim 2000$ . At  $z \sim 500-1000$ , radiation still contributes 12-25% of the total energy density. Radiation doesn't cluster so it suppresses the growth of fluctuations
- Late ISW: once the universe becomes dark energy dominated, then the gravitational potential decays

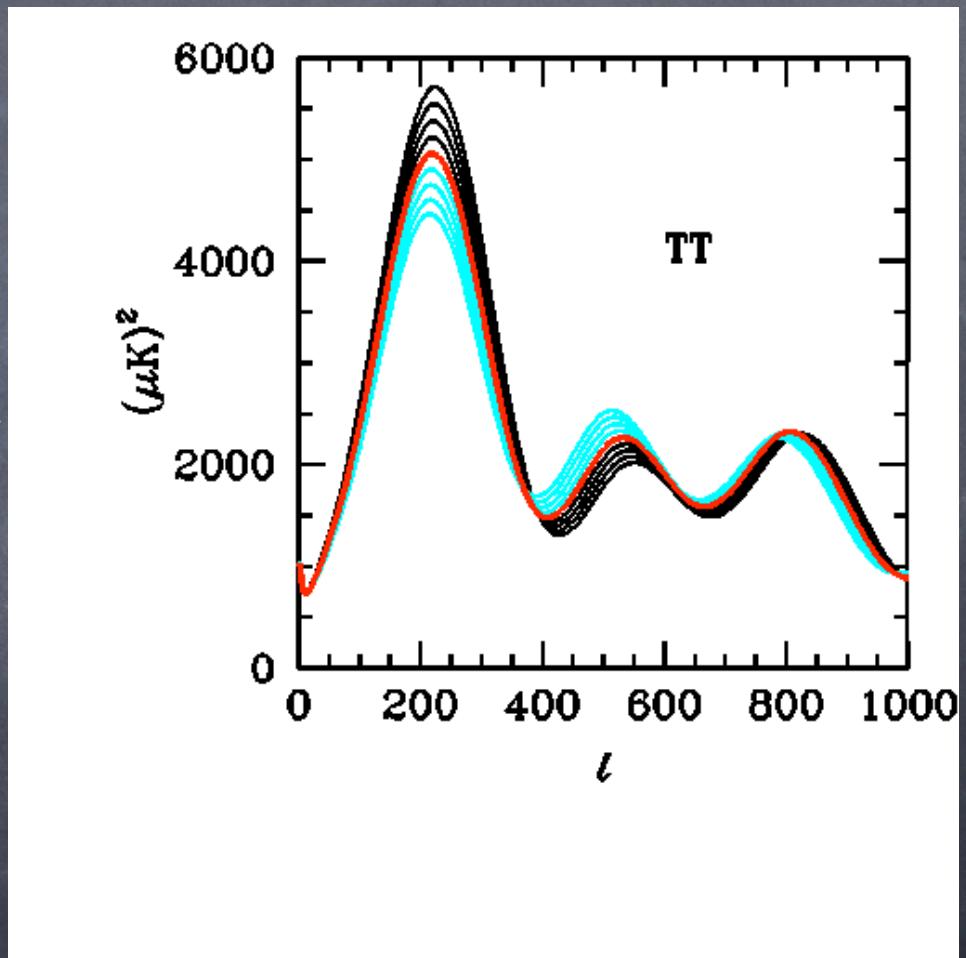
$$\delta T = 2 \int \dot{\Phi} dt$$

# Determining Basic Parameters

*Baryon Density*

$$\Omega_b h^2 = 0.015, 0.017..0.031$$

also measured through  
D/H

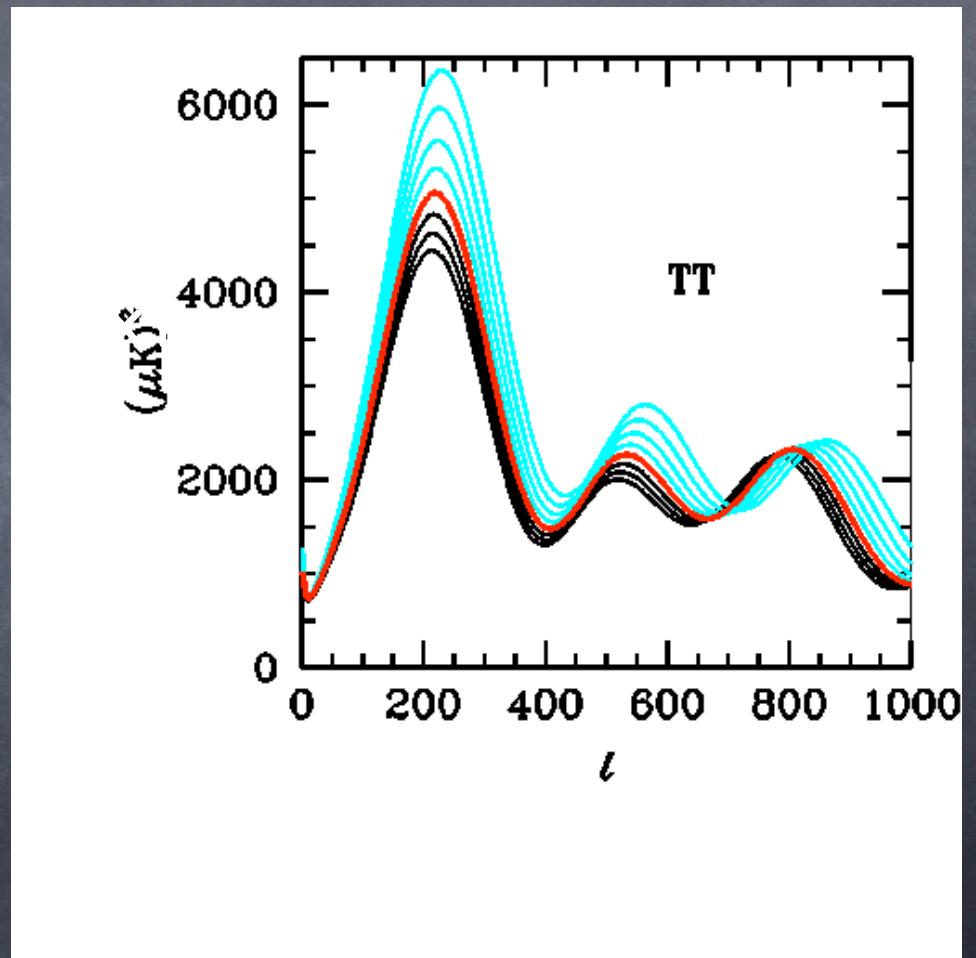


# Determining Basic Parameters

*Matter Density*

$$\Omega_m h^2 = 0.16, \dots, 0.33$$

Effect of forcing term in equation

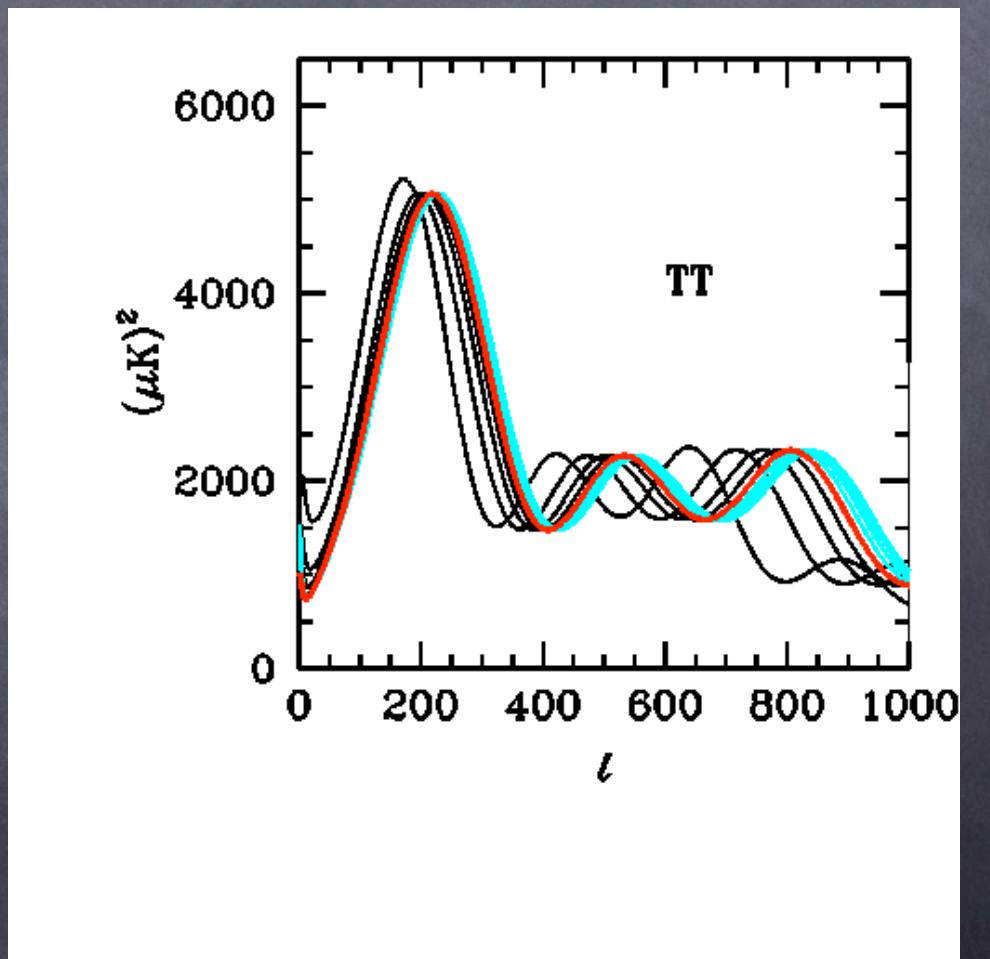


# Determining Basic Parameters

*Angular Diameter Distance*

$$w = -1.8, \dots, -0.2$$

When combined with measurement of matter density constrains data to a line in  $\Omega_m$ -w space



# Reionization

- Suppression of small scale fluctuations
- Generation of additional large scale fluctuations
- Degenerate with spectral tilt (in temperature spectrum)

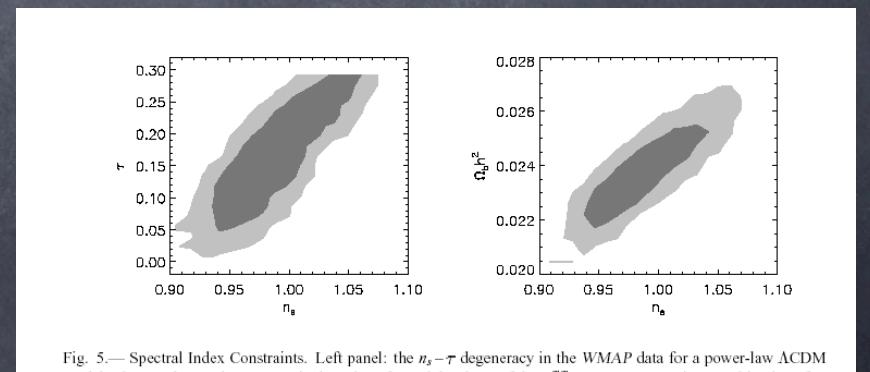
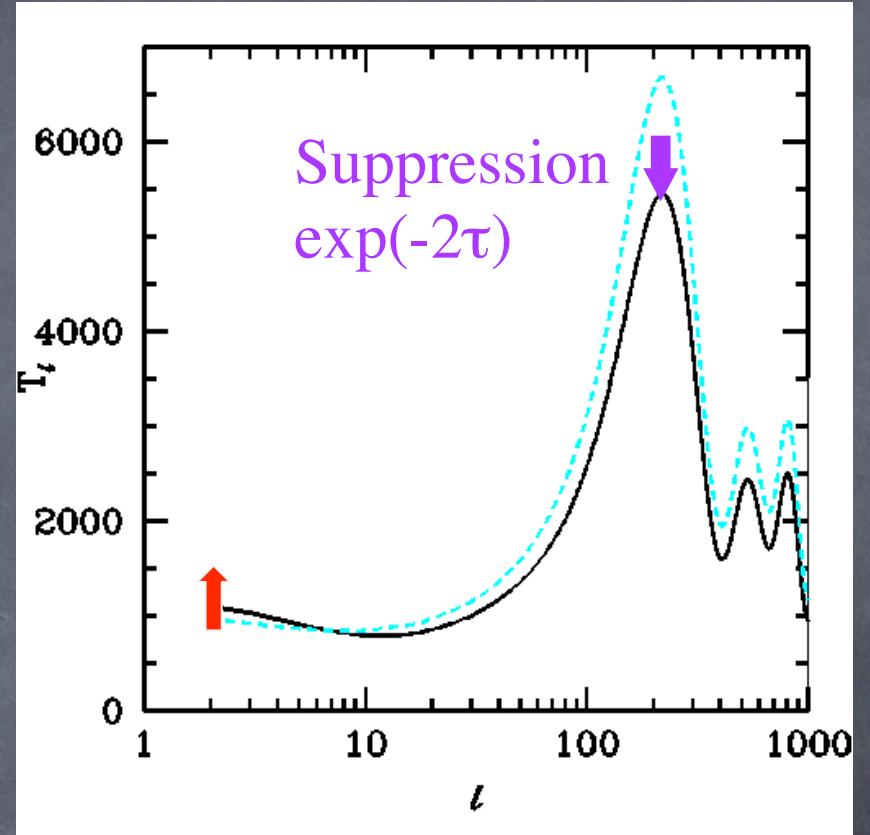
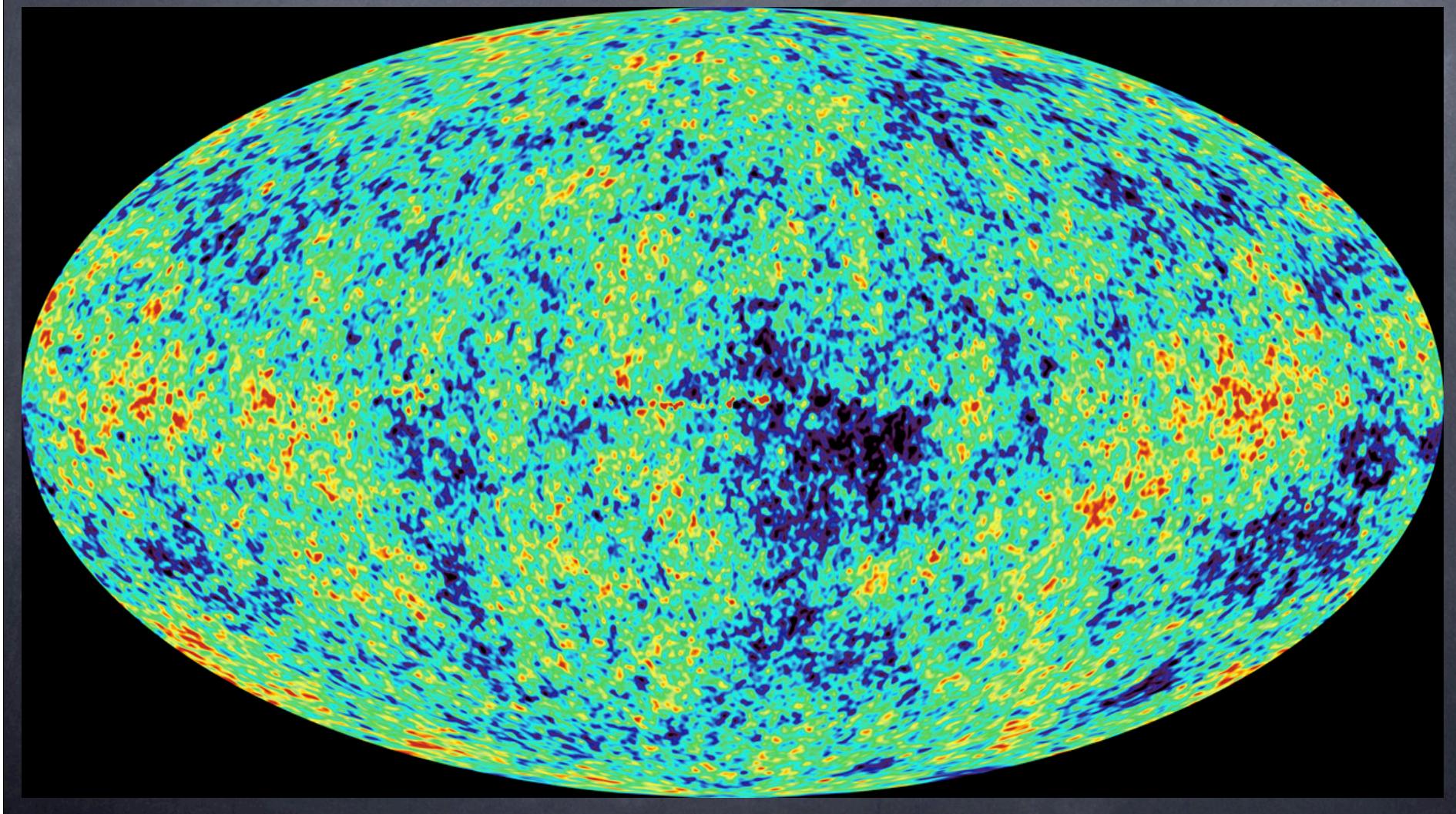
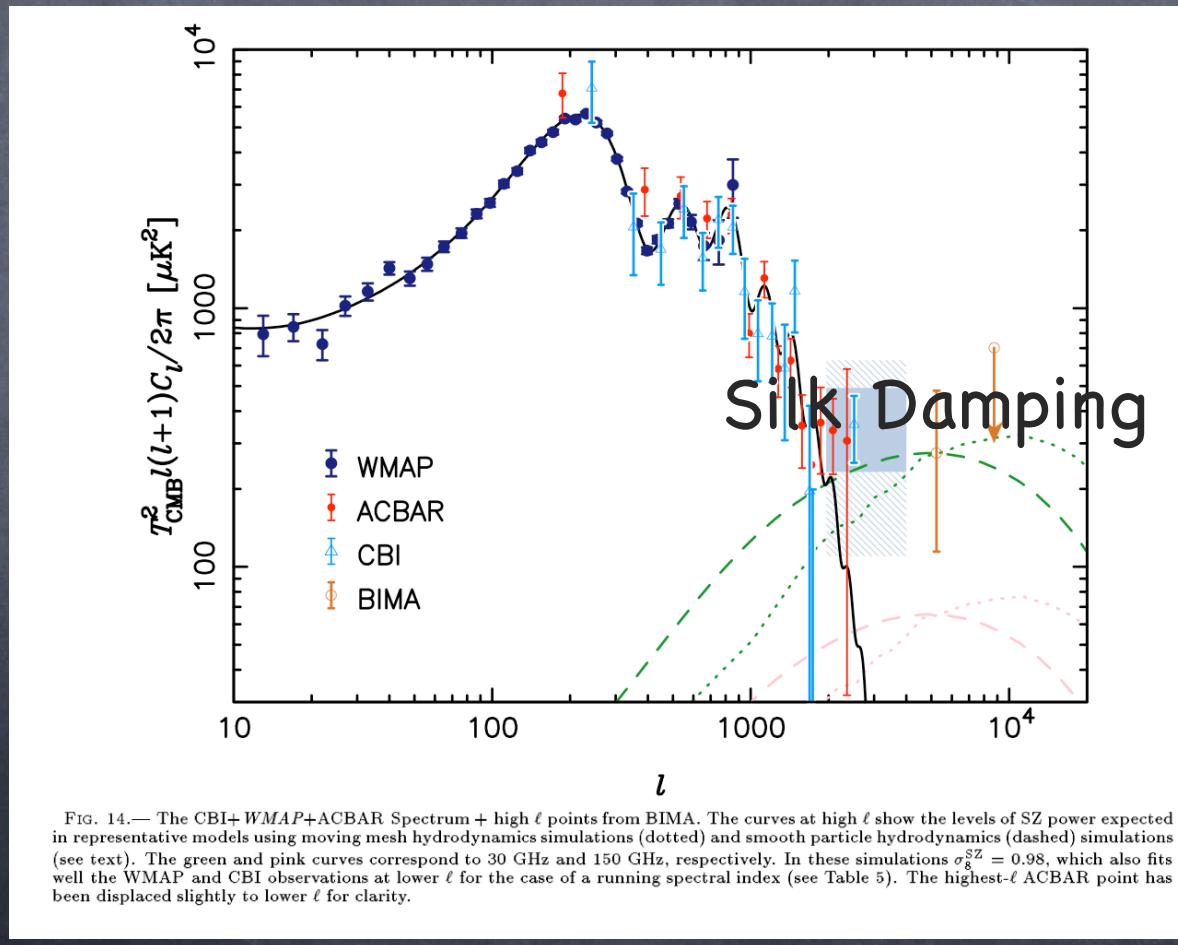


Fig. 5.— Spectral Index Constraints. Left panel: the  $n_s - \tau$  degeneracy in the WMAP data for a power-law  $\Lambda$ CDM model. The TE observations constrain the value of  $\tau$  and the shape of the  $C_l^{TE}$  spectrum constrain a combination of  $n_s$  and  $\tau$ . Right panel:  $n_s - \Omega_b h^2$  degeneracy. The shaded regions show the joint one and two sigma confidence regions.

# FOREGROUND CORRECTED MAP



# Current Status



# Problem

- Compute the location of the peaks in the angular power spectrum in a isocurvature model