

# Physics 100 - November 26, 2007

■ Exam 2

■ Presentations

■ Dec. 3 GPS

■ Dec. 5 Nucl. Terrorism  
Asteroids

■ Dec. 10 History  
CMB

■ Dec. 12 Music  
Nucl. Bombs

(not required)

■ Additional reading on cosmology  
→ See class website

Last Time



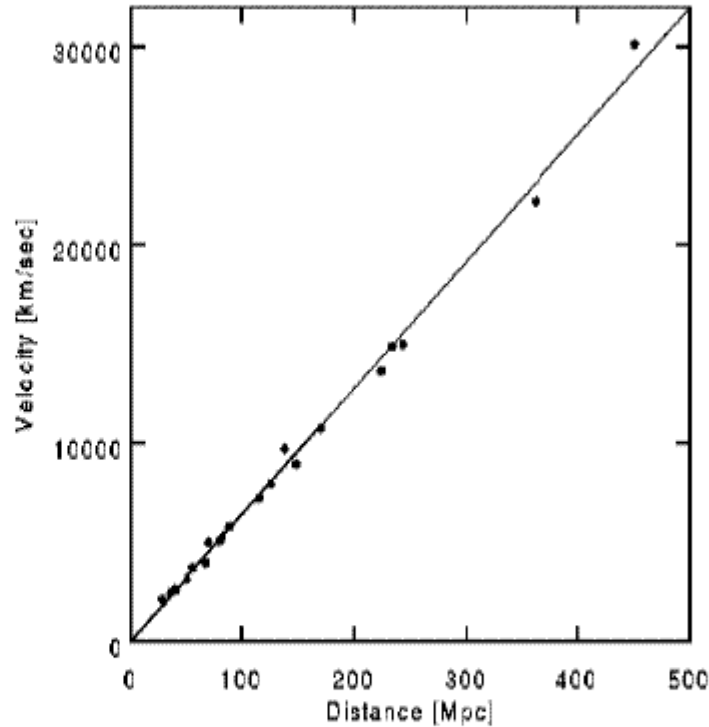
We live in an expanding universe



Edwin Hubble  
(1929)

Determined by  
redshift of atomic  
spectral lines

Recession Velocity  $\uparrow$



Slipher  
early 20's

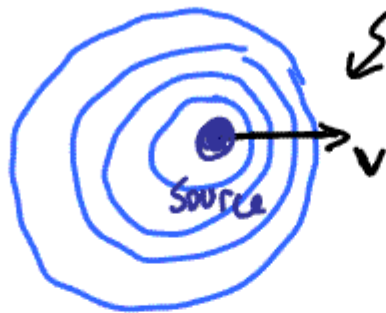
Also  
Milton  
Humason

Distance to galaxy

Determined by brightness  
(supernova in distant galaxy)

"Redshifted" light

frequency appears lower to objects in direction away from direction of motion

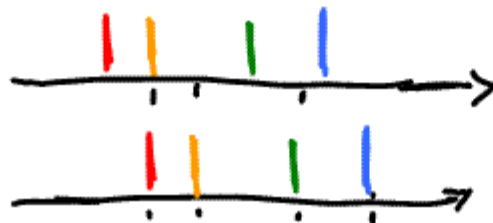


frequency appears higher to observers in direction of motion

"Blueshifted" light

larger  $v$  — larger the red and blue shifts.

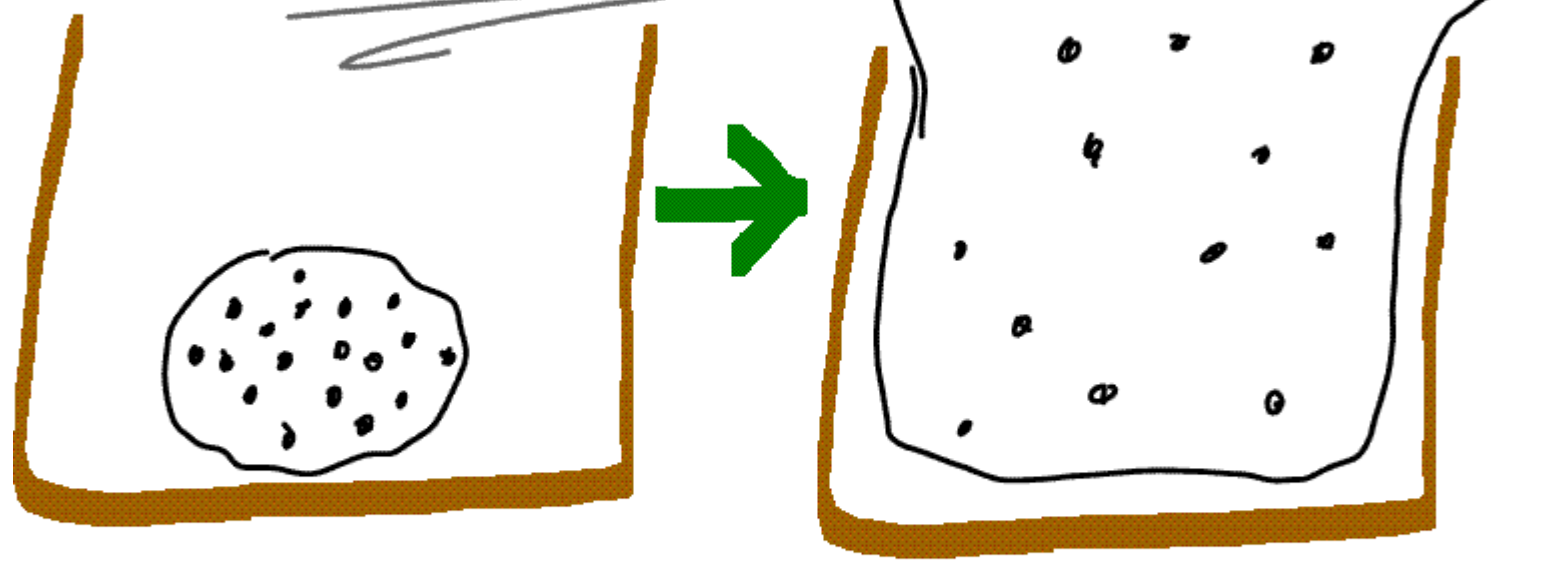
Atomic Spectrum



spectrum line positions shifted in color/frequency for source moving away from observer  
(color also changes — not shown)

Space expands  
-- NOT an explosion into space

Raisin Bread

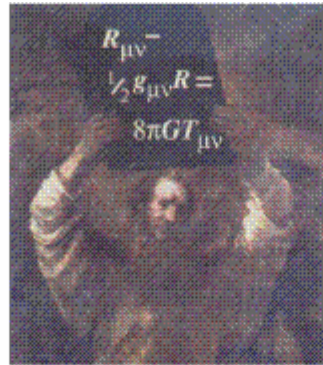


The expanding universe

NOT so crazy - General Relativity predicts it ...

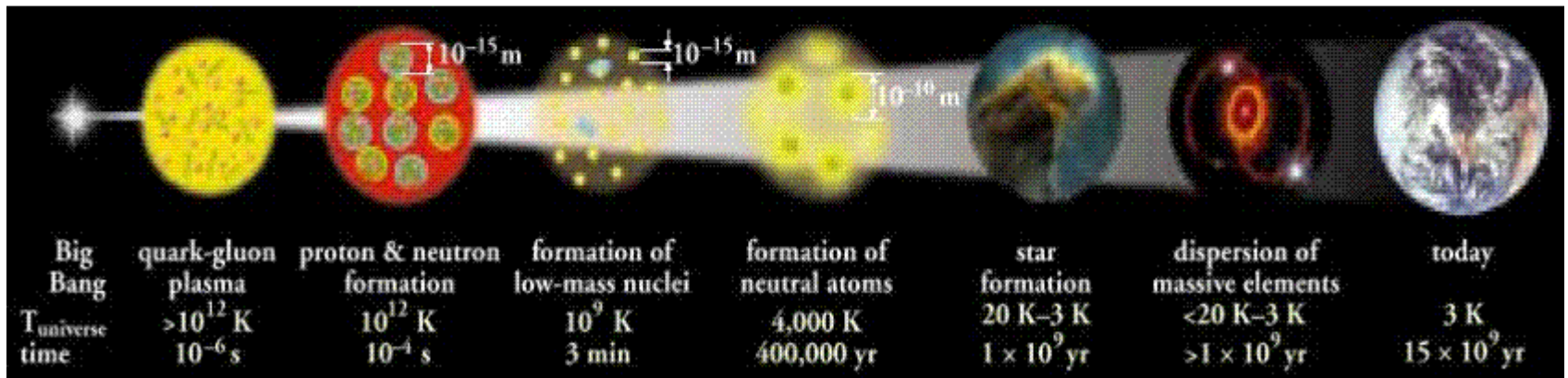
Einstein added a constant to remove  
The non-static aspect of eqns

Why Believe? ...



- A. Kollb

... in the  
HOT Big BANG?

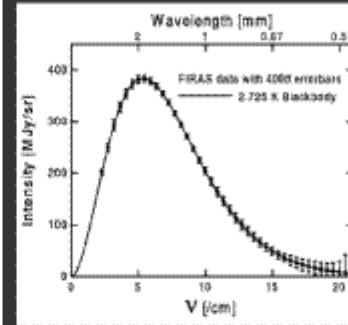


Observe light from  
 Time universe became  
 transparent  
 $T \sim 400,000$  years

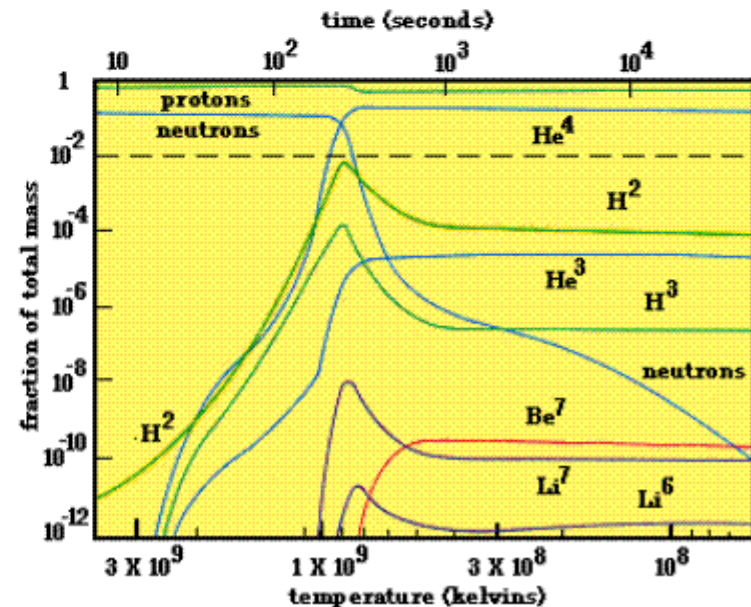
Perfect blackbody  
 all directions in sky

Amount of light  
 nuclei in  
 interstellar / intergalactic  
 space agrees w/  
 expectation from Big  
 Bang nucleosynthesis  
 $T \sim 3$  minutes

### Cosmic Microwave Background Penzias and Wilson - 1964



Uniform and isotropic  
 - in as far as they could measure

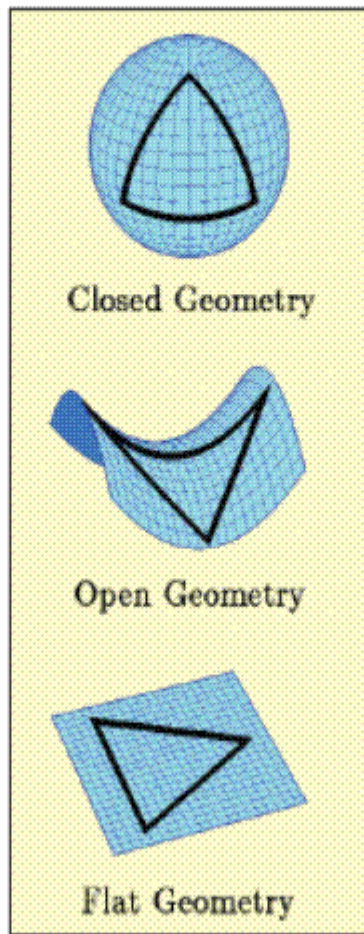


# Problems w/ Big Bang

NON-STATIC universe expected from Relativity

Relativity allows space to have different curved geometries?  
Which is our universe?

Flat space is a very special case!



Sum of angles in triangle

$$> 180^\circ$$

← universe expands... slows down + collapses

$$< 180^\circ$$

← universe expands forever

$$= 180^\circ$$

← universe expands to a stop

Very special case



■ Singularity Problem - YIKES !! All of the universe at a point?

■ Horizon Problem - Why is universe so smooth and isotropic on large scales?

Why CMB so smooth and isotropic

at  $T = 400,000$  yrs

only parts of universe as large as 400,000 light years could be causally connected yet all at same temperature ??

■ Flatness problem - universe appears to be very close to "flat" ... very special case.  
Requires fine tuning of basic Model

■ Large Scale Structure problem - how do galactic structures form in a perfectly homogeneous universe?



**Hubble Deep Field South**  
PRC98-41a • STScI OPO • November 23, 1998  
The HDF-S Team • NASA

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Andrei Linde  
(Stanford)

Cosmic  
Inflation  
~1979



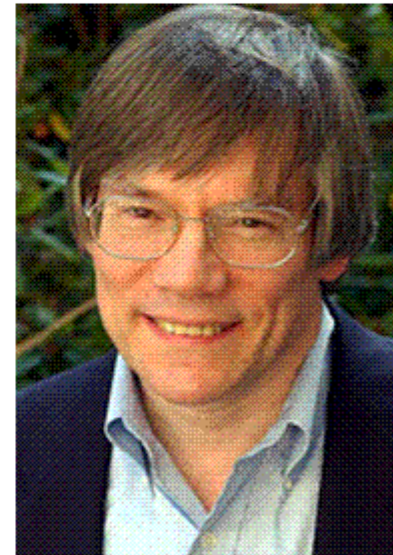
Paul Steinhardt  
(Princeton)



Andy  
Albrecht  
(UC Davis)

Idea used by  
many cosmological theories  
to solve basic  
problems w/  
Big Bang Model

Inflationary  
Big Bang  
Models

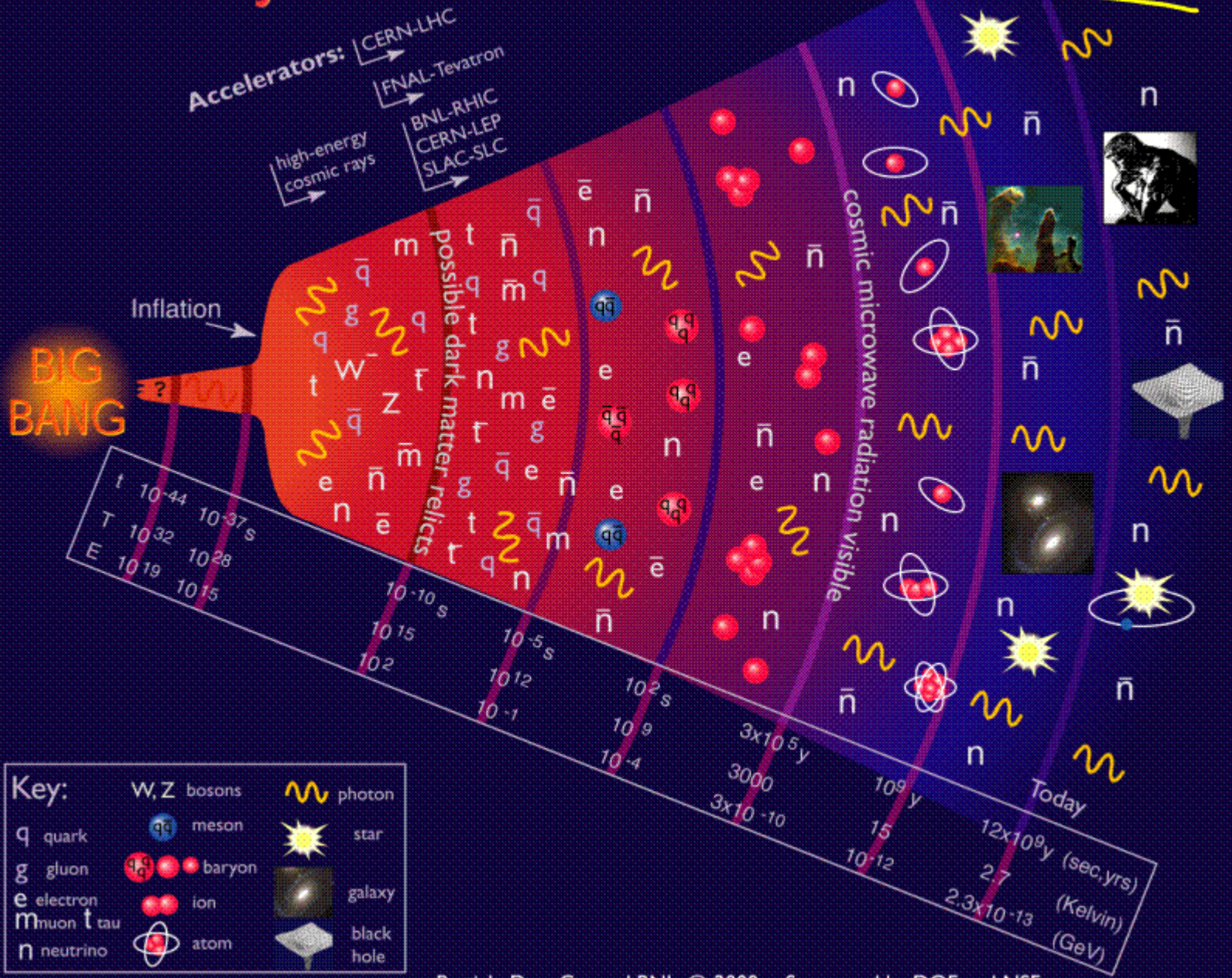


Alan Guth (MIT)

# Inflation

- Universe starts very small
- Perhaps as a tiny fluctuation in a spacetime foam of tiny fluctuations  
maybe  $\sim 10^{-26}$  m in size
- Properties of such a fluctuation can be constructed so as to create an unstable repulsion filling the space of the fluctuation — some "field" or particle is created in a quasi-stable excited state  $\rightarrow$  inflaton what was it exactly?
- Leads to inflation — The ultimate understatement!  
Vast exponential superluminal expansion of the universe as inflaton "relaxes" expansion slows. Energy driving inflation dumped into matter + radiation and we have initial conditions for Big Bang model as we know it

# History of the Universe - Current Paradigm



Singularity

Flatness

Inflation concept  
Solves major problems  
w/ Big Bang cosmology

quantum fluctuation  
possibly in endless  
fractal-like stream  
of universes

Inflation

No matter how  
curved is space,  
Blow it up large enough  
and will look flat

Structure

quantum  
fluctuation  
during + before  
inflation become  
density fluctuations in  
CMB + Early universe  
leading to large-scale  
Structure

universe starts out  
very small  
and causally  
connected

Horizon

# Incredible new data in the last 10 years

Cobe  
WMAP

Satellites

Fluctuations in the  
Temperature / color  
of the CMB  
(1 part in  $10^5$ )

universe is "flat"

Expansion of the universe is  
Accelerating

observations of supernovae  
in distant galaxies

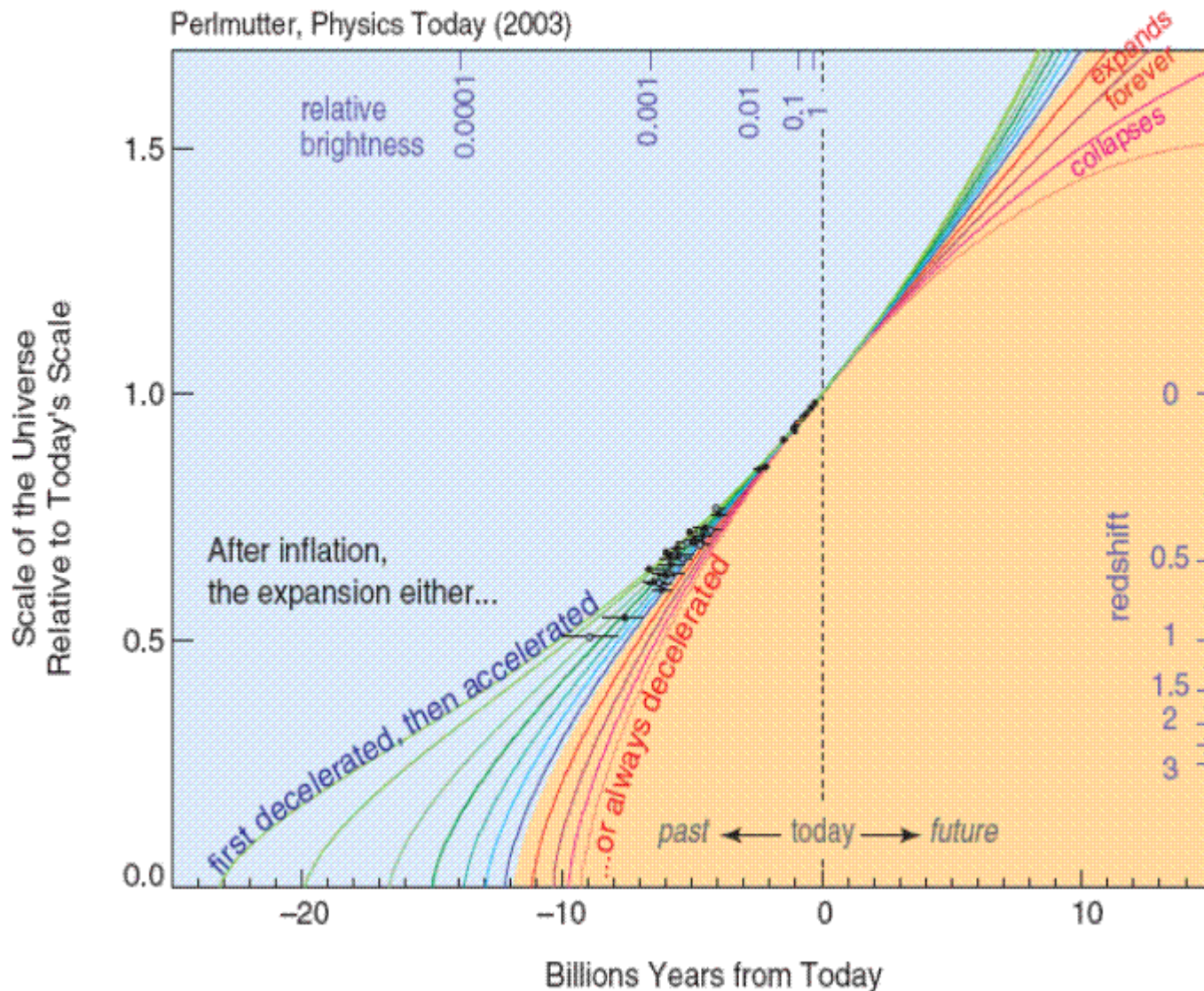
Two groups  
of scientists

Supernova Cosmology Project  
High-Z Team

Perlmutter at UC Berkeley

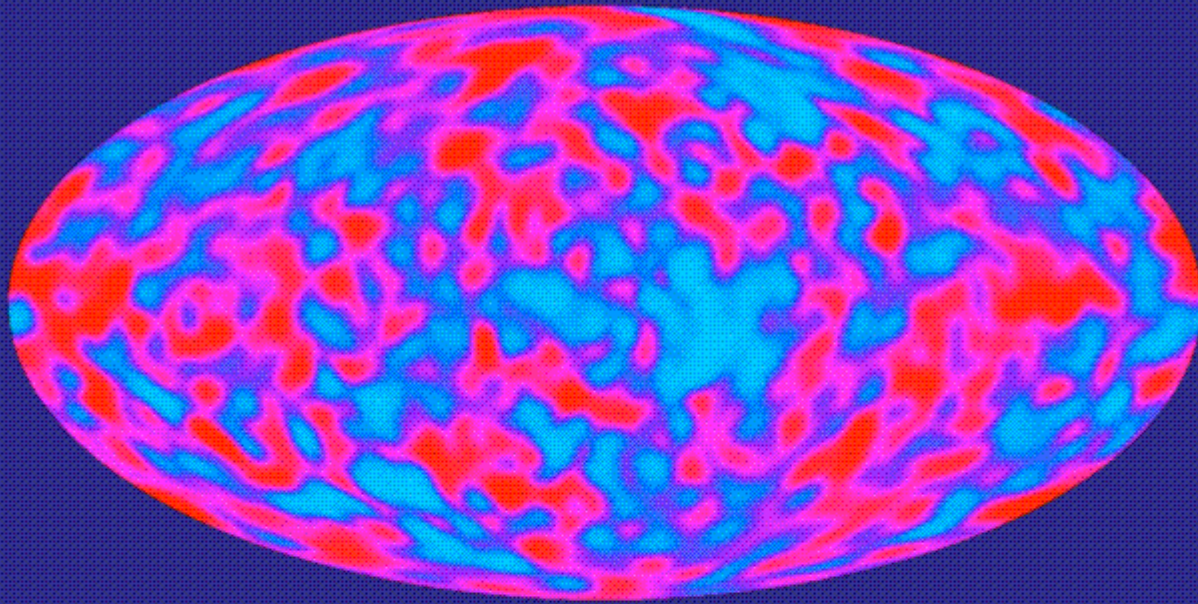
# Expansion History of the Universe

Perlmutter, Physics Today (2003)





## DMR's Two Year CMB Anisotropy Result

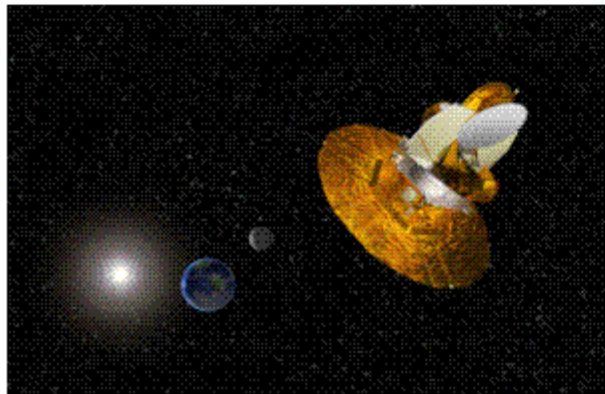
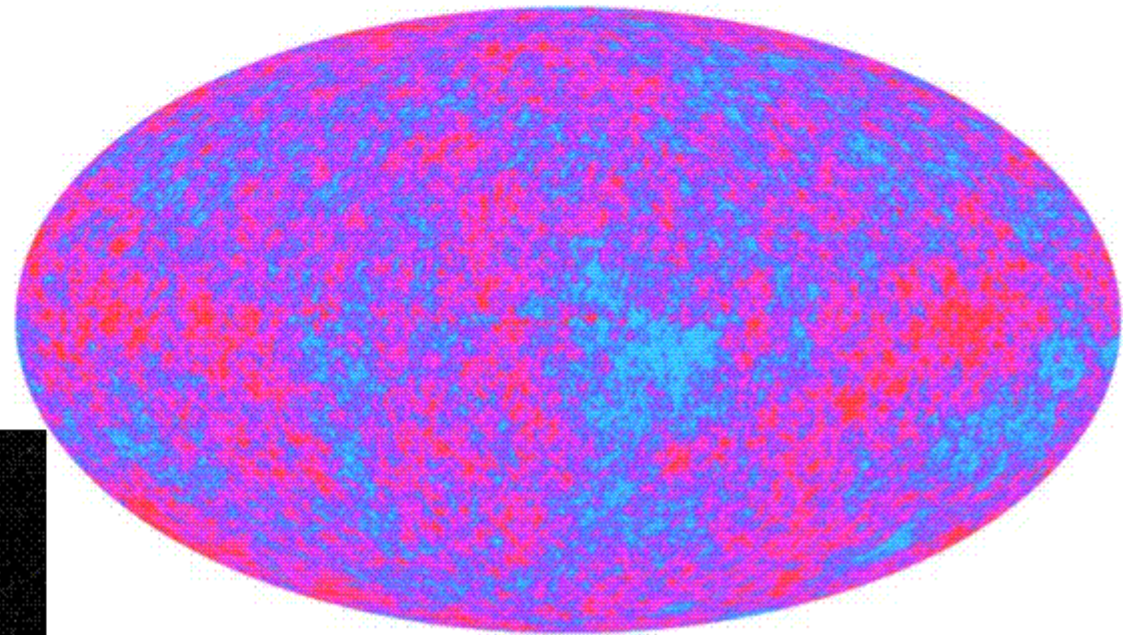
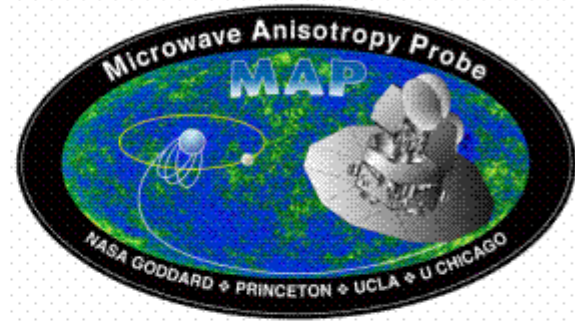


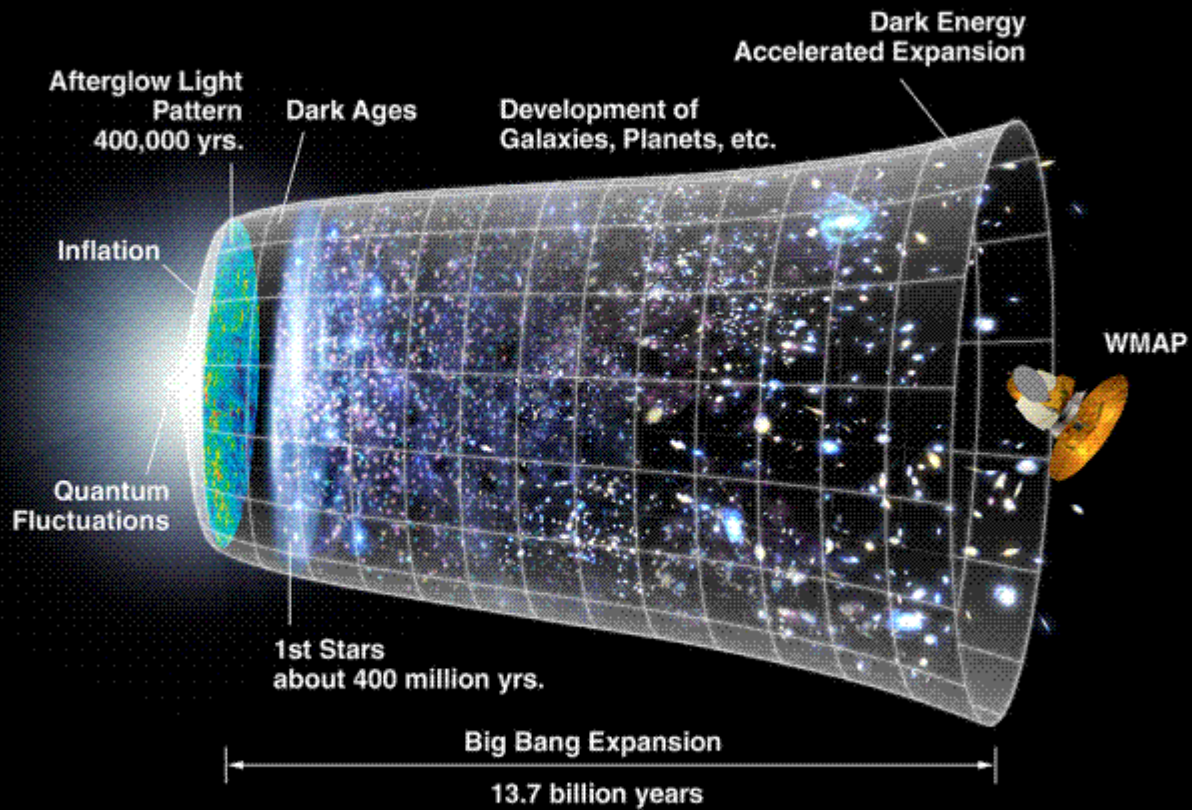
CMB "color" or Temperature seen to vary by 1 part in 100,000

1992 COBE Satellite observation of CMB over all sky

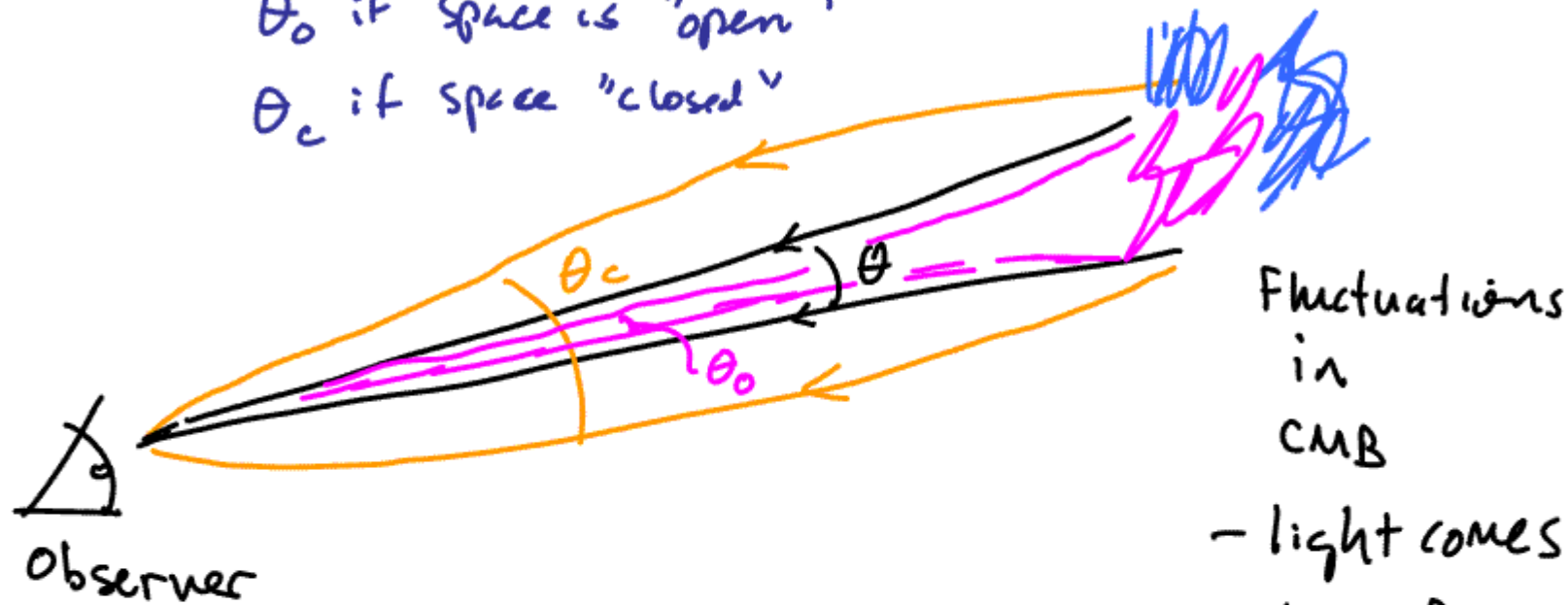
Cosmic Background Explorer

# WMAP - Wilkinson Microwave Anisotropy Probe (2003) High Resolution Study of CMB





Measure  $\theta_f$  if space is flat  
 $\theta_o$  if space is "open"  
 $\theta_c$  if space "closed"

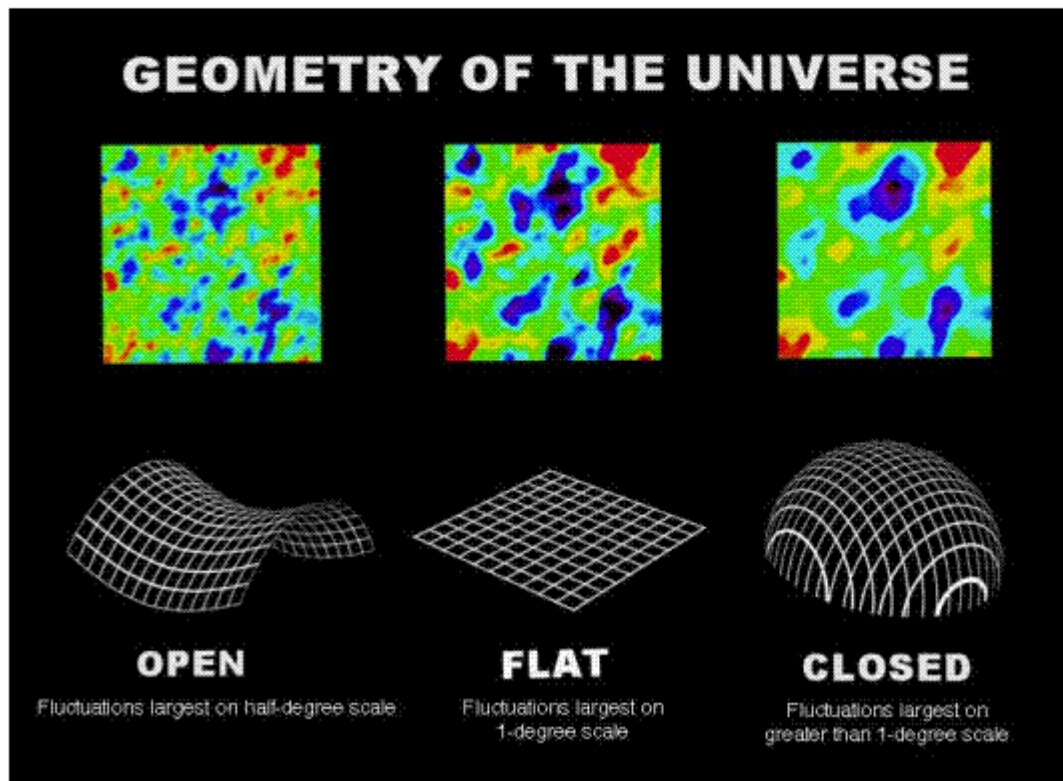


Look at Angular size of  
fluctuations in  
CMB

(Age of universe - 100,000)  
light years

PATH light takes depends on geometry  
of universe. We measure different angular  
sizes depending on geometry of space between

Size of fluctuations / structure in the CMB  
is sensitive to the geometry of  
the universe



Inflationary  
Big Bang Model

STANDARD  
Model  
of Particle  
Physics

Much of the Puzzle is in place  
Still some missing pieces ...



# Dark Matter

ORBITS

$$F = \frac{mv^2}{r}$$

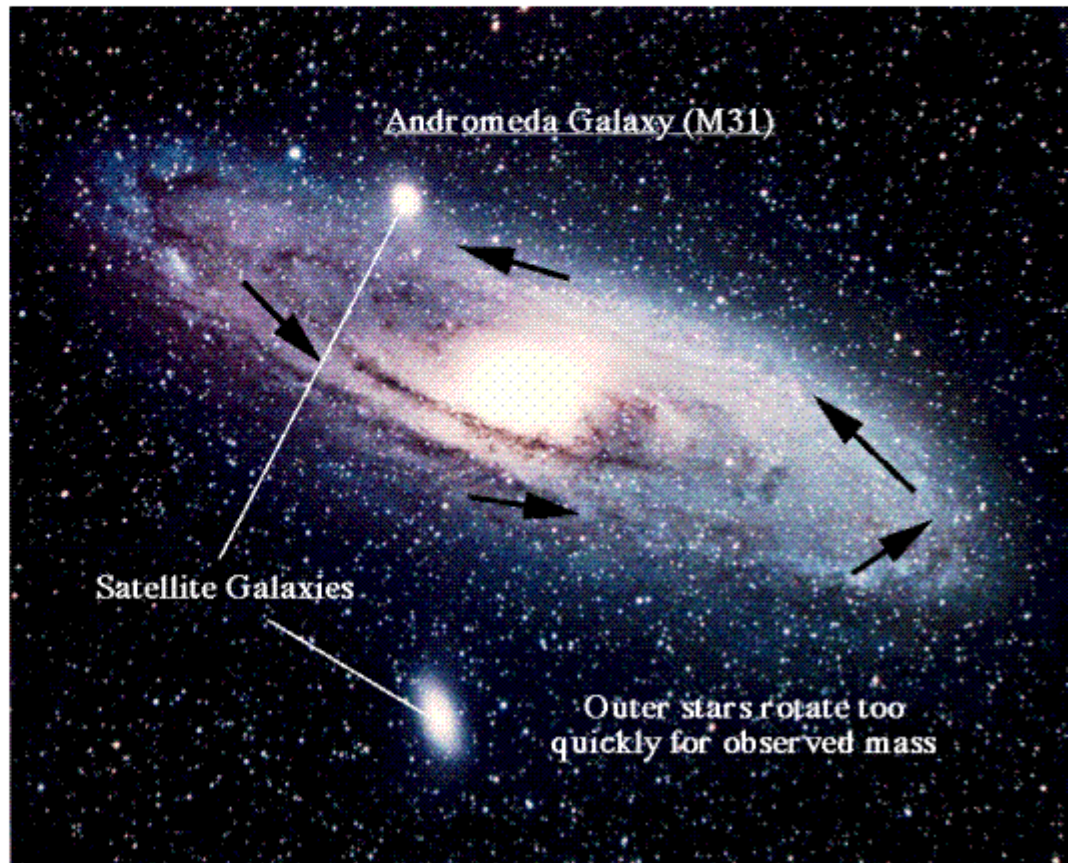
$$F = \frac{GMm}{r^2}$$

Circular Motion

$$\frac{mv^2}{r} = \frac{GMm}{r^2}$$

can relate velocity  
radius and force  
in orbits.

Have seen that  
orbits in stars  
and galactic clusters  
Require stronger  
Gravitational force  
than can be explained  
by conventional  
Observable "visible"  
matter



-P. Cushman

This is evidence for a new form of  
Matter in the universe that  
interacts gravitationally  
but not via the other forces.

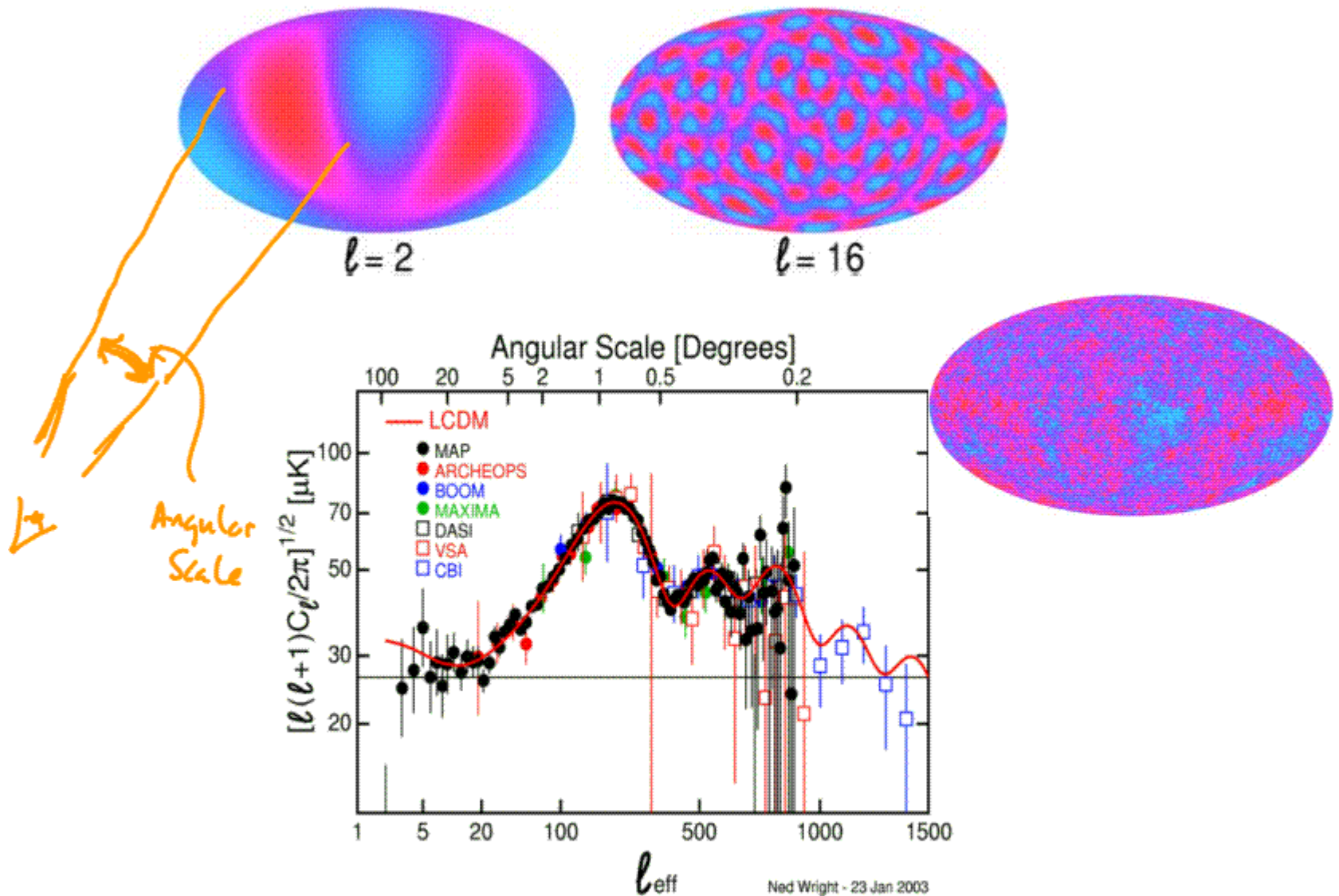
Does Not emit or absorb light, for example.

**DARK MATTER**

*And we don't  
know what  
it is!*

May make up 80% of the Mass  
in the universe!!

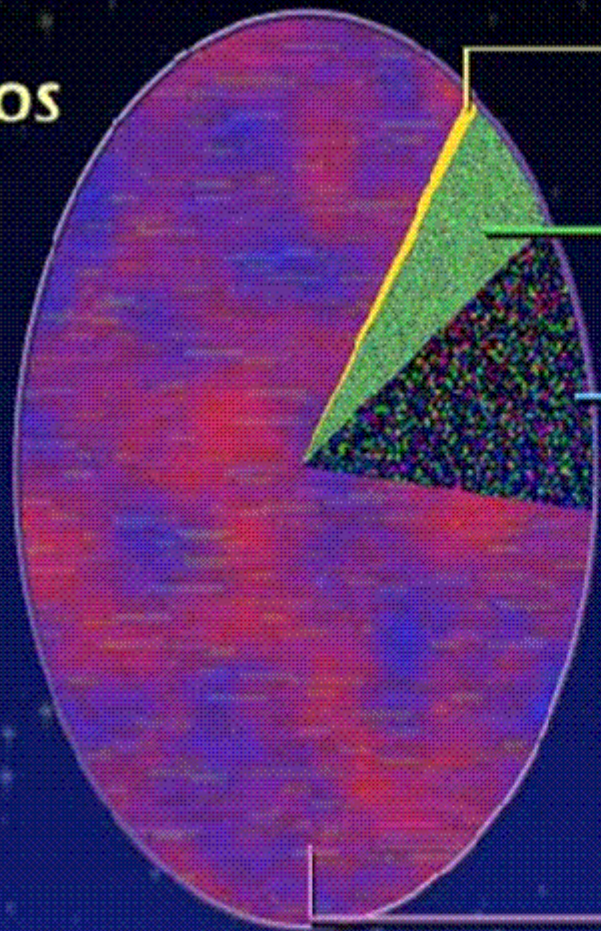




“Power spectrum” (size) of temperature fluctuations  
 sensitive to different matter/energy components of the  
 universe

# The Cosmic Pie

## Composition of the Cosmos



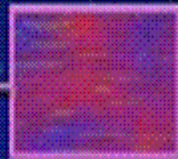
Neutrinos:  
0.6%



Baryons (atoms):  
comprising  
stars, heavy  
elements, and  
helium and  
free hydrogen:  
4.4%



Dark  
matter:  
22%



Dark  
energy:  
73%

Us

STScI

95% of the universe is unknown!

figure from E. Linde  
LBI