

Physics 100 - November 28, 2007

■ Presentations

- Dec. 3 GPS
 - Dec. 5 Nucl. Terrorism
 Asteroids
 - Dec. 10 History
 CMB
 - Dec. 12 Music
 Nucl. Bombs
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- check out additional non required reading
on cosmology on class website

This is your life ... starting at the very beginning

In the beginning there was ...

Space-time foam

NOT empty space

quantum fluctuations

Very small $\sim 10^{-33}$ cm possibly

what was there and
what exactly
caused
inflation
NOT established
yet.
models
exist

Fluctuation occurs w/ property that include
Tremendous repulsive pressure

inflation

inflaton
Field

AT $\sim 10^{-43}$ s $\rightarrow 10^{-35}$ s exponential expansion

■ How big did inflation make universe by 10^{-35} s?

Much bigger than observable universe

at the time

$$(10^{-35} \text{ s})(3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s})$$

or

Bigger than now

Maybe factor of $10^{10^{12}}$

■ What was curved \rightarrow now flat

geometry of Universe flat

■ What was small \rightarrow now big
quantum fluctuations become large
density/energy fluctuations

ACTS as nucleus for large-scale structure formation

■ As "inflaton field" properties change during inflation, inflation ends

■ Energy Driving inflation Dumped into matter and radiation in early universe

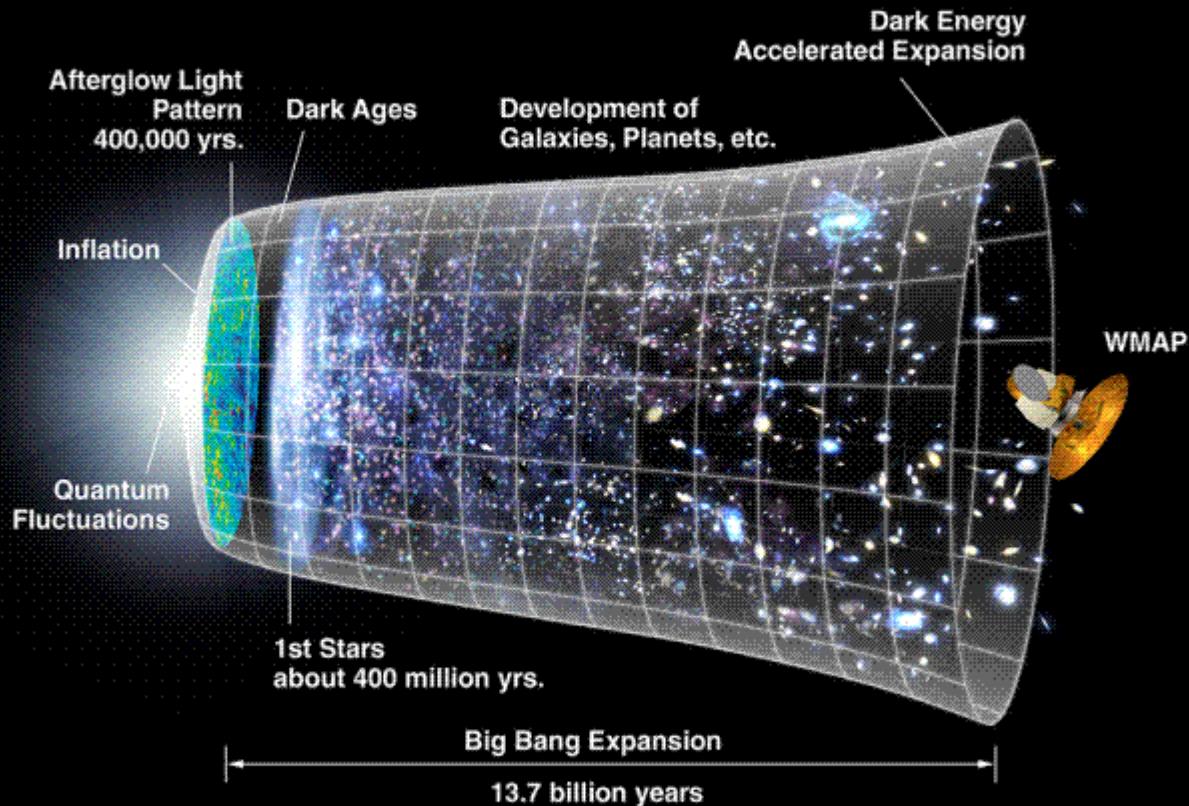
■ $10^{-35} - 10^{-5}$ sec

universe is primordial soup of quark-gluon plasma
subatomic particles quarks, Z, W, γ , gluons
...

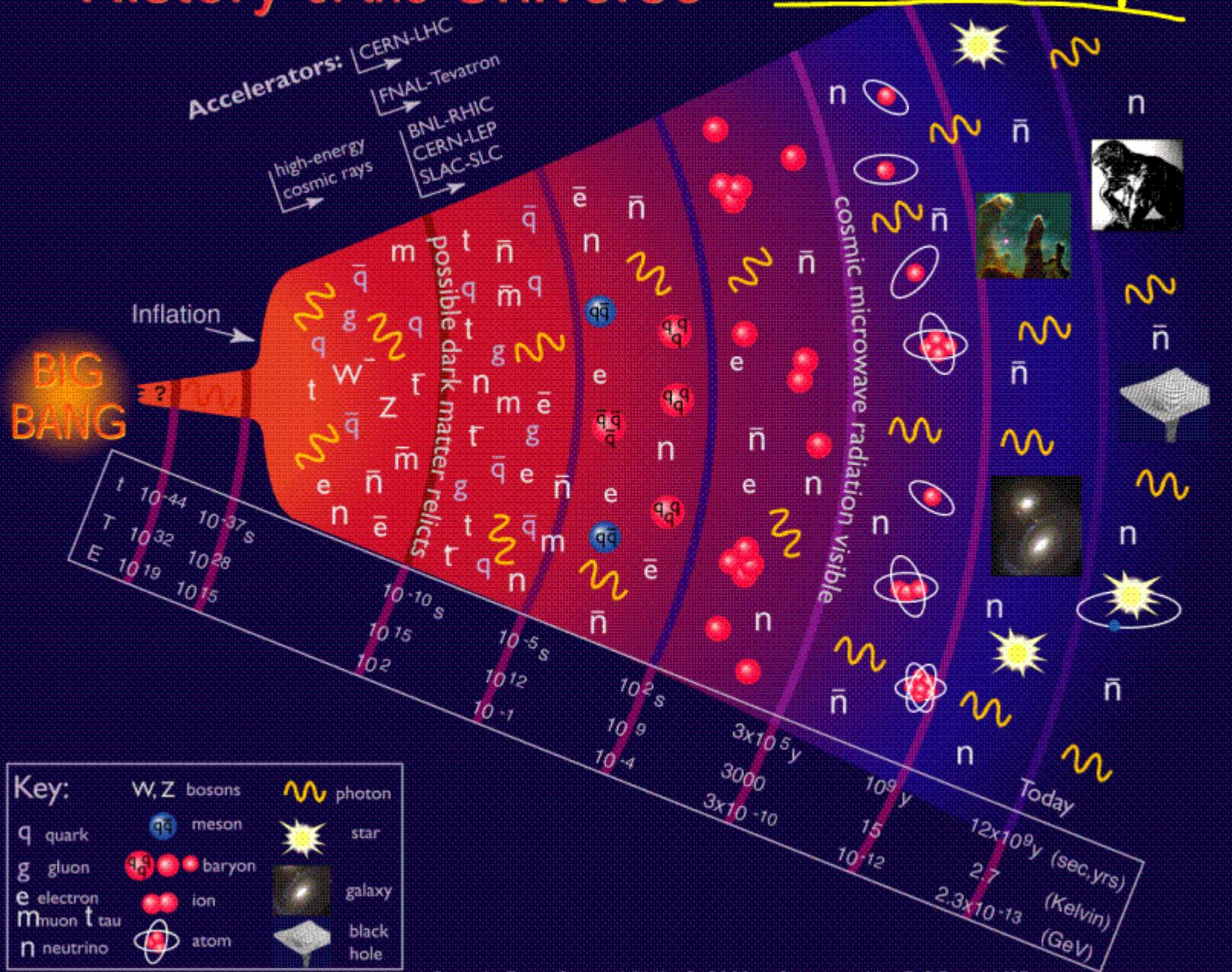
■ 10^{-5} sec quarks bound into

Baryons \leadsto Protons, neutrons
Mesons

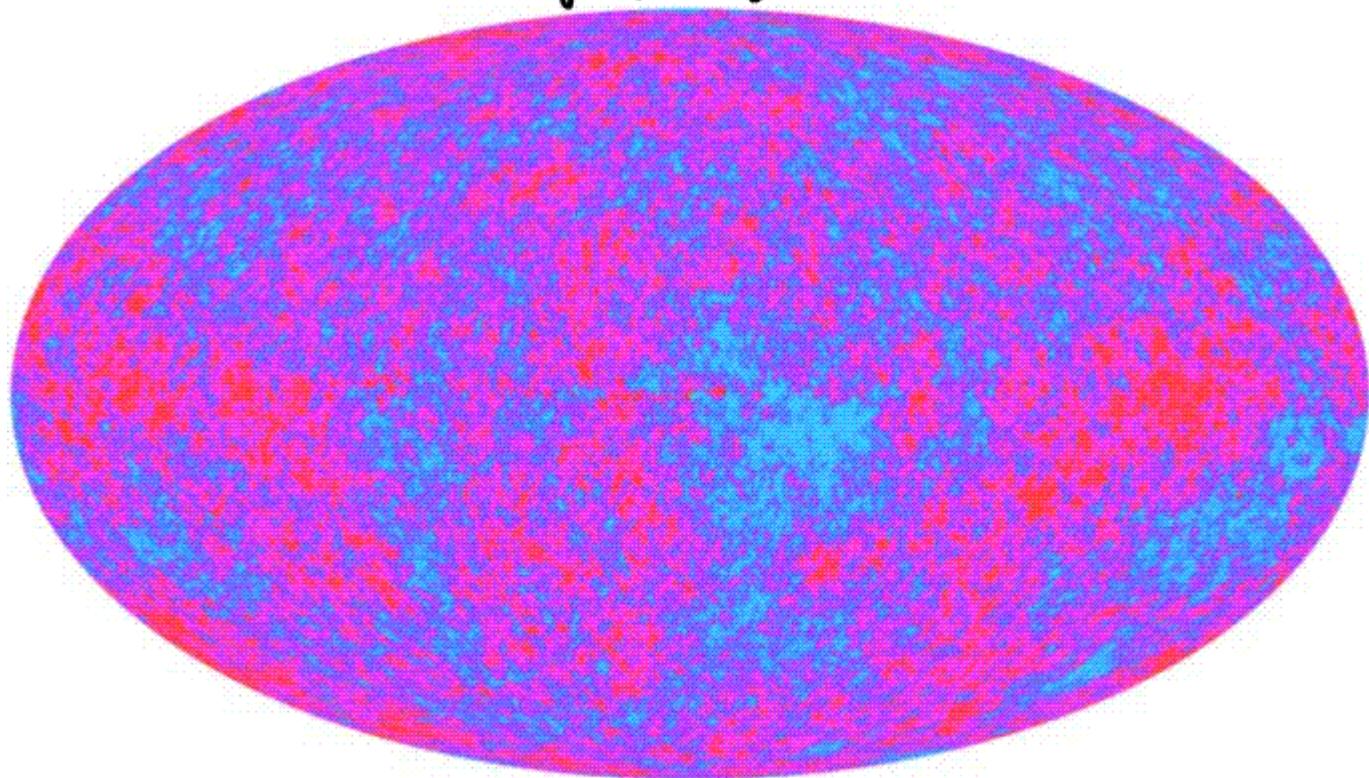
- $t = 3$ minutes light nuclei form
Big Bang Nucleosynthesis
- $t = 400,000$ years neutral atoms form
Universe becomes Transparent
light we see from this time called
Cosmic Microwave Background
- $t = 400$ million years first stars
- $t = 13.7$ billion years Buffalo wins
Superbowl
Now
- Expansion is accelerating



History of the Universe - Current Paradigm



Map of sky unrolled



WMAP "picture" of universe at $t = 400,000$ yrs

Temperature Map of Cosmic Microwave Background

Inflationary
Big Bang Model

STANDARD
Model
of Particle
Physics

Dark
Matter

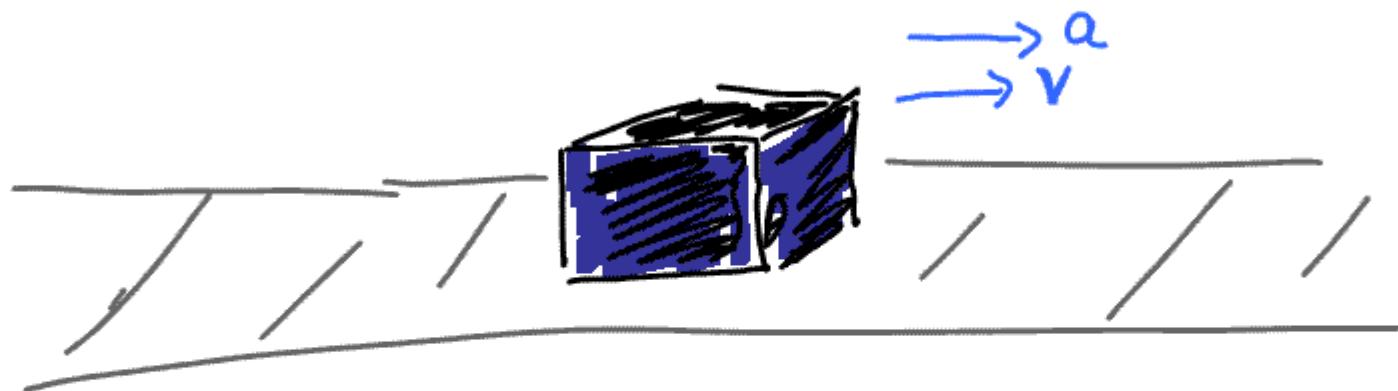
- interacts gravitationally
but NOT via electromagnetism
or strong force



Accelerating
Expansion of
Universe
⇒ "Dark Energy"

dark energy ↑ – sort of an
inflation-like pressure (slower)
on space expansion – Exact
Source unknown as yet.

Dark Energy Analogy

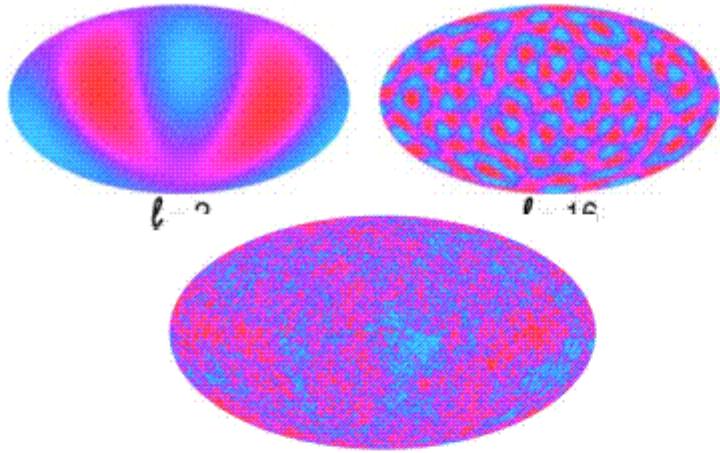


See box accelerating down sidewalk

We Know there is a force + source of energy.

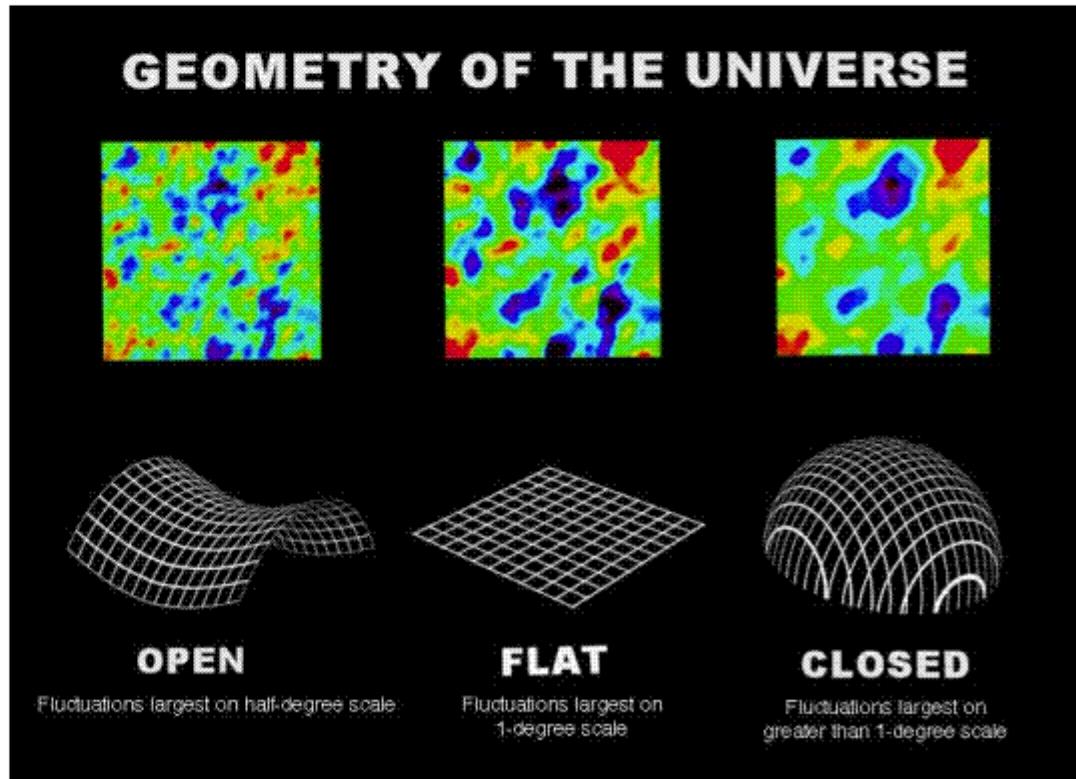
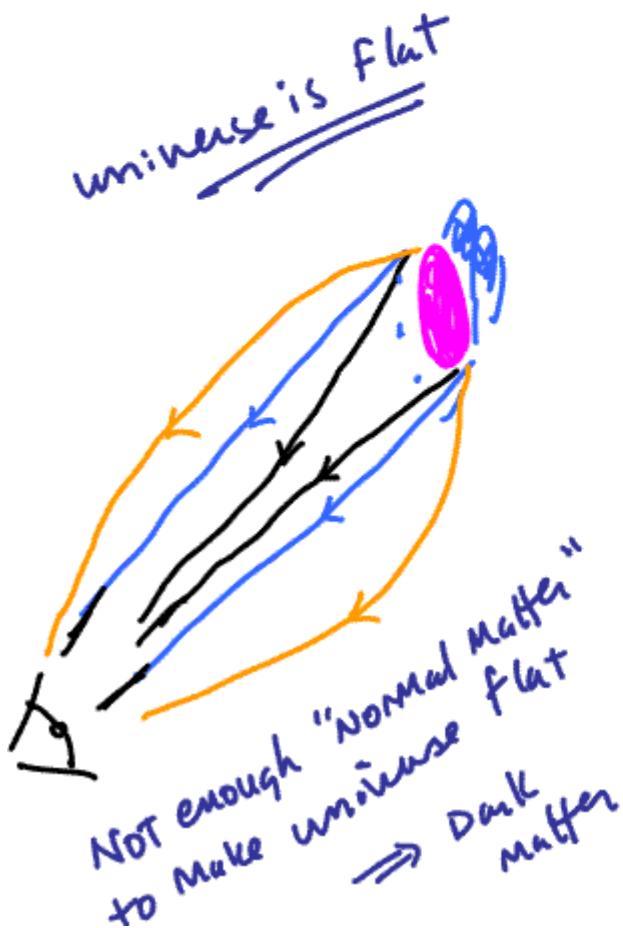
$$(F)(dist) = \text{work} = \text{Energy}$$

We have ideas ... but we don't know for sure the nature of the force/energy



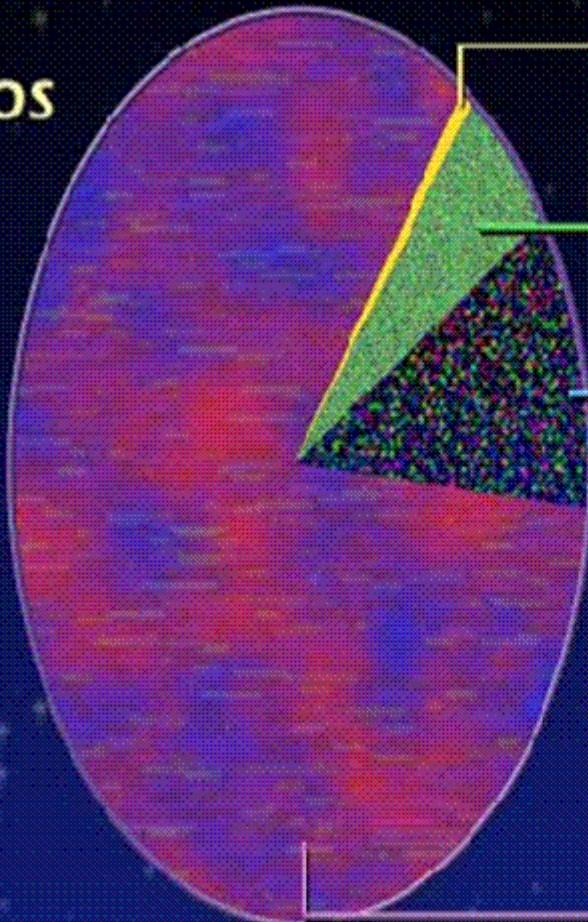
Sizes of
Temp fluctuations in CMB
Sensitive to geometry
of Space-time

Amount of Dark Matter
Dark energy



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%



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95% of the universe is unknown!

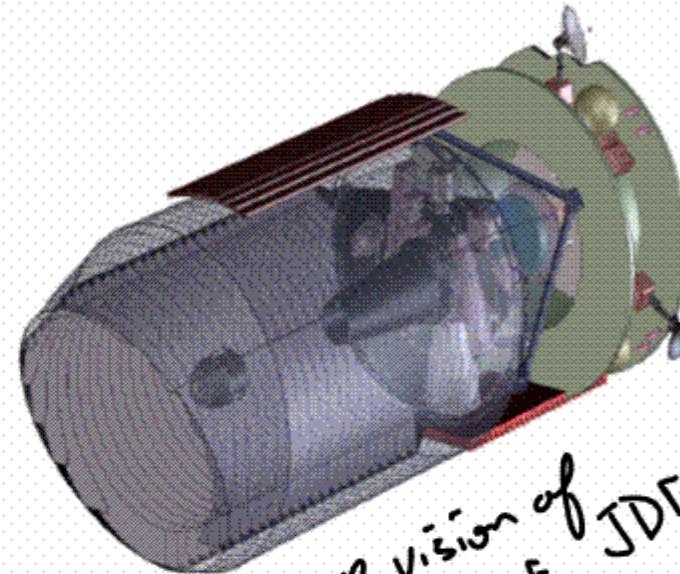
end of Material for Exam

figure from E.Linder
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Where do we go from here?

SNAP SuperNova
Acceleration Probe



one vision of
NASA DOE JDEM
Joint Dark
Energy Mission



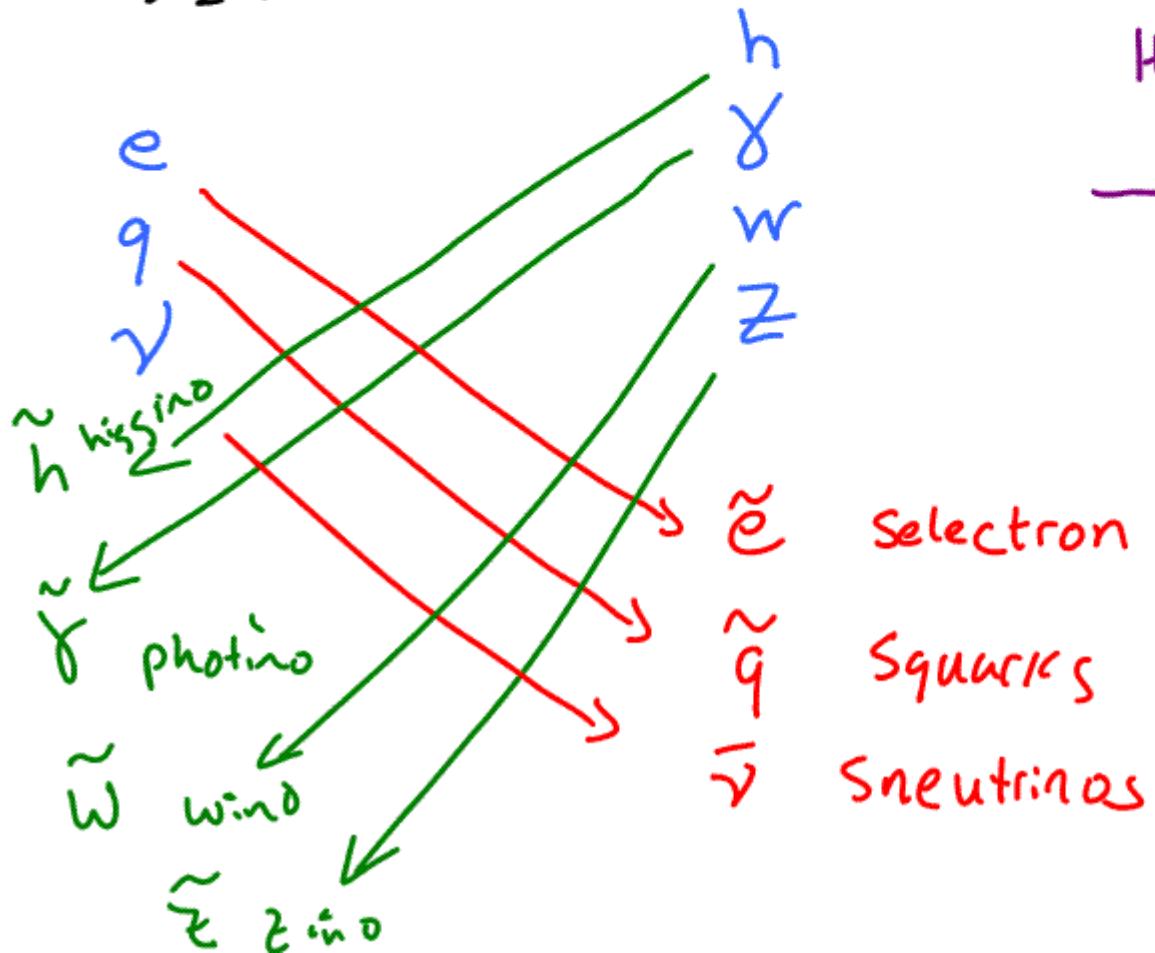
Large Hadron
Collider (LHC)

Supersymmetry

fermion \longleftrightarrow boson

$\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2}, \dots$

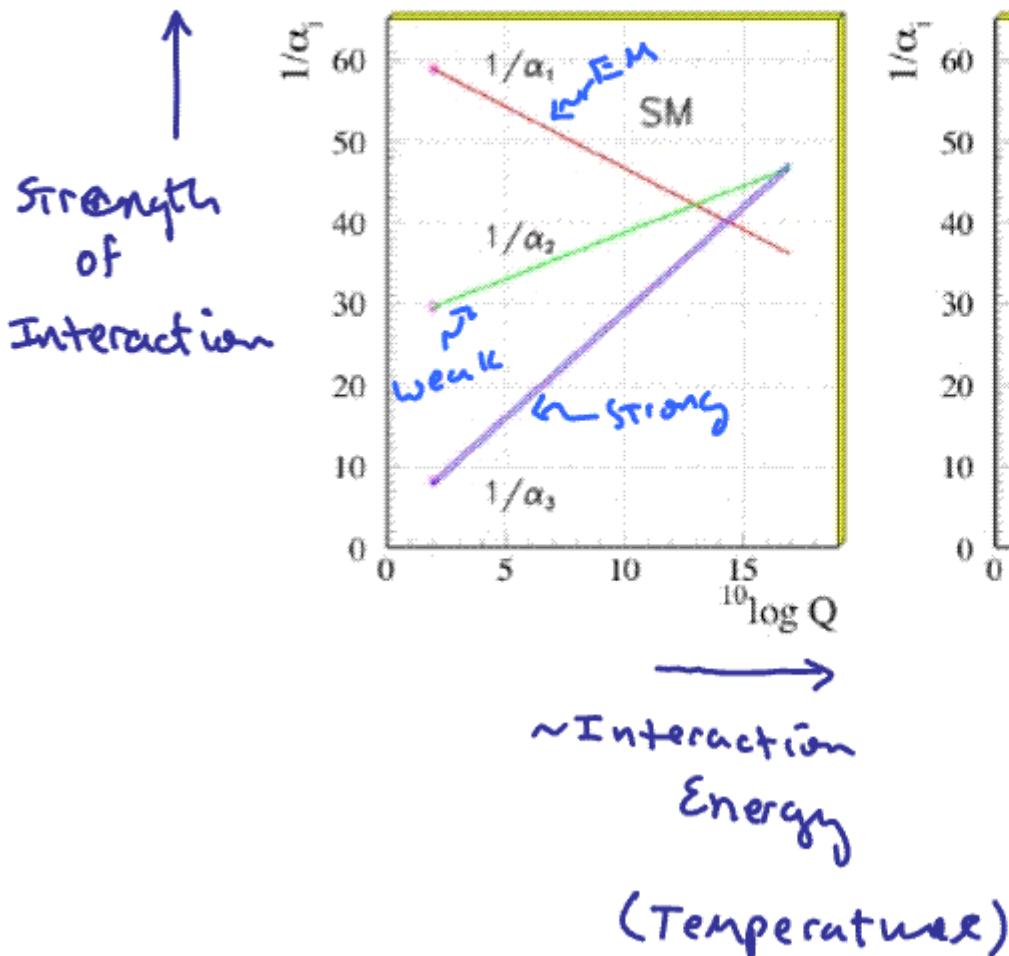
$0, 1, \dots$



Intro to particle Spec
R parity
LSP
Gauge hierarchy
Coupling Unification
Dark energy?



STANDARD
Model



Minimal Super symmetric
Model

