

The thermal history of the Universe And the Cosmic Microwave Background

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OUTLINE

- The inflationary epoch
- Nucleosynthesis, and the release of cosmological backgrounds of neutrinos and radiation
- The information contained in the angular anisotropies of the Cosmic Microwave Background (CMB). The measurement of polarization anisotropies
- Useful codes for computing power spectra and other cosmological quantities: **CAMB, MGCAMB, EFTCAMB, CLASS**

The inflationary epoch

Motivation:

- It solves the “homogeneity” problem: why regions so far apart are so similar ...
- It explains why we find no unwanted relics, like gravitino, moduli from superstring theories, topological defects, magnetic monopoles, domain walls, etc ...
- It explains the fact that, at early times, all FLRW metric are so flat ...

Definition:

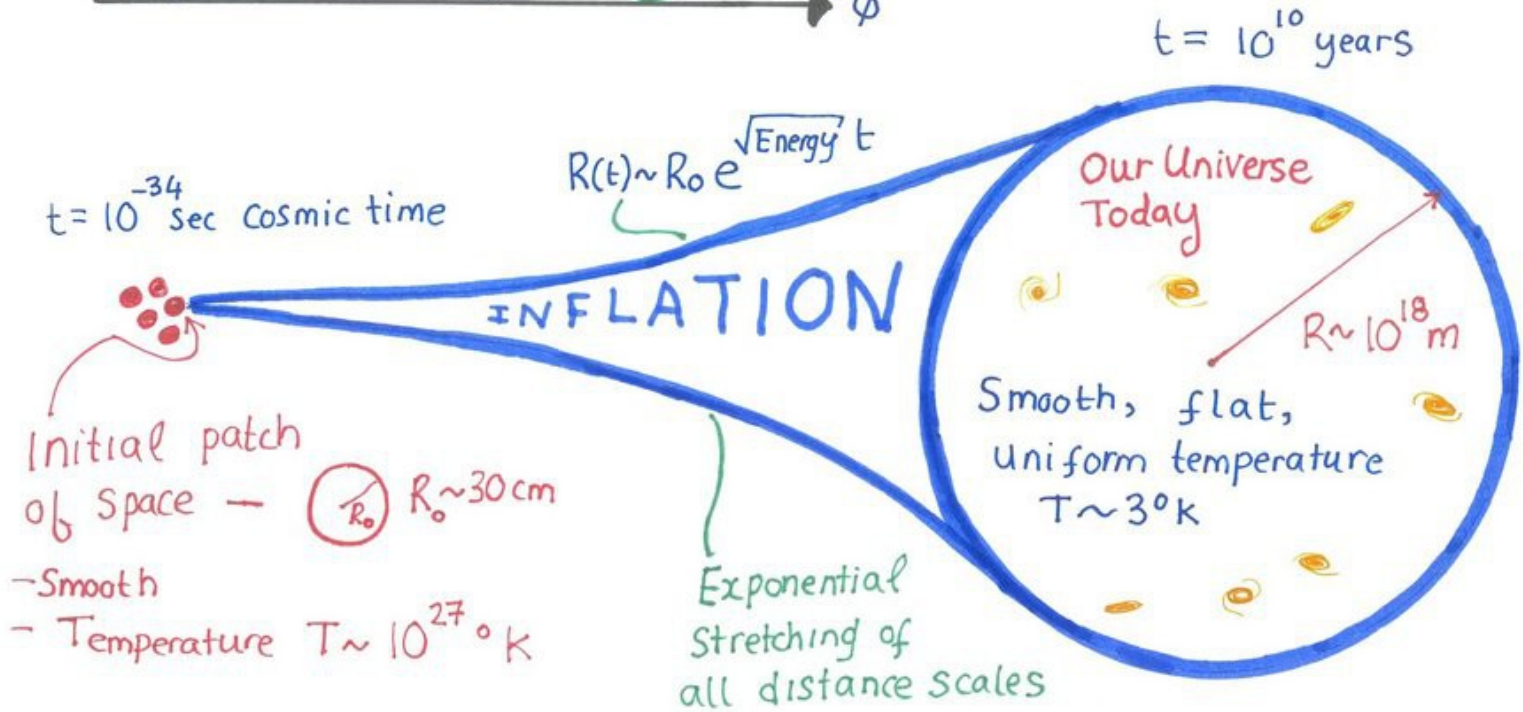
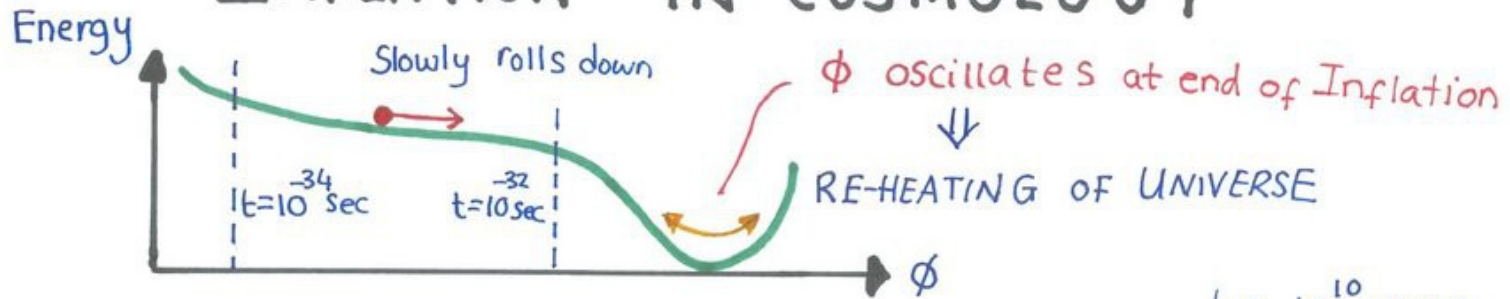
- $d [H/a] / dt < 0$ or $\rho + 3p < 0$ [$\Rightarrow \ddot{a} > 0$]

The inflationary epoch

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INFLATION IN COSMOLOGY



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Write $a(t)$ for a fluid with $p=-\rho$

Predictions:

- Curvature fluctuations are mostly **Gaussian**, with some room for *non-Gaussianities* depending upon the model
- A **power law** description of the scale dependence of the power spectrum of curvature fluctuations given by an spectral index n_s which must be slightly < 1
- Some level of tensor metric fluctuations should be introduced (Gravitational Waves – GW), parametrized by the tensor-to-scalar ratio $r = C_l^{tensor} / C_l^{scalar}$.

Abstract from *Planck* 2018 parameter paper ...

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ABSTRACT

We present cosmological parameter results from the final full-mission *Planck* measurements of the cosmic microwave background (CMB) anisotropies, combining information from the temperature and polarization maps and the lensing reconstruction. Compared to the 2015 results, improved measurements of large-scale polarization allow the reionization optical depth to be measured with higher precision, leading to significant gains in the precision of other correlated parameters. Improved modelling of the small-scale polarization leads to more robust constraints on many parameters, with residual modelling uncertainties estimated to affect them only at the 0.5σ level. We find good consistency with the standard spatially-flat 6-parameter Λ CDM cosmology having a power-law spectrum of adiabatic scalar perturbations (denoted “base Λ CDM” in this paper), from polarization, temperature, and lensing, separately and in combination. A combined analysis gives dark matter density $\Omega_c h^2 = 0.120 \pm 0.001$, baryon density $\Omega_b h^2 = 0.0224 \pm 0.0001$, scalar spectral index $n_s = 0.965 \pm 0.004$, and optical depth $\tau = 0.054 \pm 0.007$ (in this abstract we quote 68 % confidence regions on measured parameters and 95 % on upper limits). The angular acoustic scale is measured to 0.03 % precision, with $100\theta_* = 1.0411 \pm 0.0003$. These results are only weakly dependent on the cosmological model and remain stable, with somewhat increased errors, in many commonly considered extensions. Assuming the base- Λ CDM cosmology, the inferred (model-dependent) late-Universe parameters are: Hubble constant $H_0 = (67.4 \pm 0.5) \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$; matter density parameter $\Omega_m = 0.315 \pm 0.007$; and matter fluctuation amplitude $\sigma_8 = 0.811 \pm 0.006$. We find no compelling evidence for extensions to the base- Λ CDM model. Combining with baryon acoustic oscillation (BAO) measurements (and considering single-parameter extensions) we constrain the effective extra relativistic degrees of freedom to be $N_{\text{eff}} = 2.99 \pm 0.17$, in agreement with the Standard Model prediction $N_{\text{eff}} = 3.046$, and find that the neutrino mass is tightly constrained to $\sum m_\nu < 0.12 \text{ eV}$. The CMB spectra continue to prefer higher lensing amplitudes than predicted in base Λ CDM at over 2σ , which pulls some parameters that affect the lensing amplitude away from the Λ CDM model; however, this is not supported by the lensing reconstruction or (in models that also change the background geometry) BAO data. The joint constraint with BAO measurements on spatial curvature is consistent with a flat universe, $\Omega_K = 0.001 \pm 0.002$. Also combining with Type Ia supernovae (SNe), the dark-energy equation of state parameter is measured to be $w_0 = -1.03 \pm 0.03$, consistent with a cosmological constant. We find no evidence for deviations from a purely power-law primordial spectrum, and combining with data from BAO, BICEP2, and Keck Array data, we place a limit on the tensor-to-scalar ratio $r_{0.002} < 0.07$. Standard big-bang nucleosynthesis predictions for the helium and deuterium abundances for the base- Λ CDM cosmology are in excellent agreement with observations. The *Planck* base- Λ CDM results are in good agreement with BAO, SNe, and some galaxy lensing observations, but in slight tension with the Dark Energy Survey’s combined-probe results including galaxy clustering (which prefers lower fluctuation amplitudes or matter density parameters), and in significant, 3.6σ , tension with local measurements of the Hubble constant (which prefer a higher value). Simple model extensions that can partially resolve these tensions are not favoured by the *Planck* data.

Key words. Cosmology: observations – Cosmology: theory – Cosmic background radiation – cosmological parameters

Nucleosynthesis

Nucleosynthesis

We start at $T \sim 0.1 \text{ GeV}$, below which we are *sure* of our Physics, although we have to make **assumptions** based upon our knowledge of today's universe

The Universe is **Radiation Dominated** (RD), and **photons, neutrinos, plus electrons and positrons** must be *relativistic*. Their abundance is dictated by the corresponding weak interaction reactions, which will take place as long as the interaction rate Γ is **higher** than the Hubble rate $H(T) = da/(adt)$. Protons and neutrons must already be in place, in equilibrium according to the reaction connecting these two species.

Since dynamics is dominated by *radiation* (RD), **all species interacting with radiation** are assumed to be in thermal equilibrium (at least, *ab initio*), and due to the assumed *homogeneity* and *isotropy* of the universe (Copernican Principle), all regions in the universe have the same temperature (and eventually same abundance of elements/nucleii). **As a consequence, we can write *distribution functions* $f(x,p) = f(T,p)$ for those species, either bosonic or fermionic.**

Nucleosynthesis

- At $T \sim 0.1$ GeV ($\sim 10^{11}$ K) dynamics is dominated by relativistic species: **[e, positron = e⁺], three flavors of neutrinos and photons.**
- At **$T \sim 1$ MeV**, neutrinos stop interacting with [e, e⁺] since reaction rate $\Gamma = n\sigma v$ falls below $H(T)$ at that epoch \implies **neutrinos thus decouple** from the rest of matter and free stream until present

$$\Gamma = n\sigma|v| \simeq 1.3G_F^2 T^5, \quad H(T) \simeq 1.66g^{1/2} \left(\frac{T^2}{M_{pl}} \right)$$

$$\frac{\Gamma}{H} \simeq 0.24 T^3 \left(\frac{M_{Pl}}{G_F^{-2}} \right) \simeq \left(\frac{T}{1.3 \text{ MeV}} \right)^3$$

- But at **$T \sim 0.5$ MeV**, **e and e⁺ annihilate** and leave an (observed) residual fraction of electrons, at the expense of **increasing** the **number of photons** (and thus increasing its temperature). From arguments of entropy conservation (that depends upon the number of relativistic degrees of freedom and temperature), one can easily derive that

$$\left(\frac{T_\nu}{T_\gamma} \right) = \left(\frac{4}{11} \right)^{1/3} \simeq 0.71$$

(Prove it!)

Nucleosynthesis

The binding energies for the lightest nuclei are [2.22, 6.92, 7.72, 28.3] MeV for [^2H , ^3H , ^3He , ^4He], respectively. However, the actual nucleosynthesis takes place at significantly lower temperatures ($\sim 10^9$) due to the high entropy (high number of photons per baryon). It can be found that for an species of mass/atomic number A/Z ,

$$\frac{n_A}{n_B} = X_A = F(A) \left(\frac{T}{m_A} \right)^{3(A-1)/2} \eta^{A-1} X_p^Z X_n^{A-Z} \exp(B_A/T_\gamma)$$

with $\eta = n_{\text{photons}} / n_B \sim 10^9$, $F(A) \sim O[1]$, and $B_A = Zm_p + (A-Z)m_n - m_A$ is the **binding energy** of the nucleus

Nucleosynthesis

But before the **lightest nuclei** can be **formed**, we have to understand how many **neutrons** are **available**: protons and neutrons are in equilibrium (via weak interactions) for as long the rate of those reactions rates are higher than $H(T)$. During those times,

$$\frac{n_n}{n_p} = \exp -\frac{m_n - m_p}{T} := \exp -\frac{Q}{T}$$

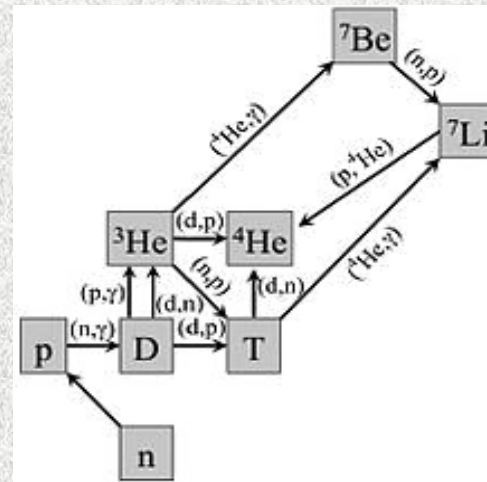
But at $T \sim 0.7\text{--}0.8$ MeV, those rates become similar, and for **$T < 0.7$ MeV only the reaction $n \rightarrow p + e + \nu$ occurs**. At that moment,

$$\frac{n_n}{n_p} = \exp -\frac{m_n - m_p}{0.7 \text{ MeV}} \sim \frac{1}{6}$$

${}^4\text{He}$ is built upon D, ${}^3\text{He}$, ${}^3\text{H}$, whose abundances are negligible until $T \sim 0.1$ MeV. The synthesis of ${}^4\text{He}$ follows thereafter.

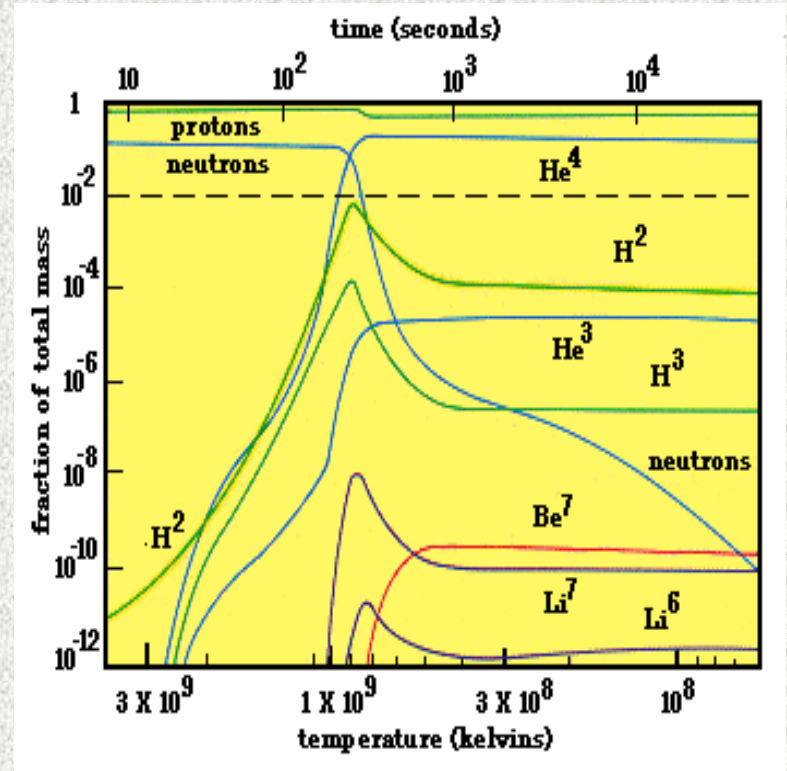
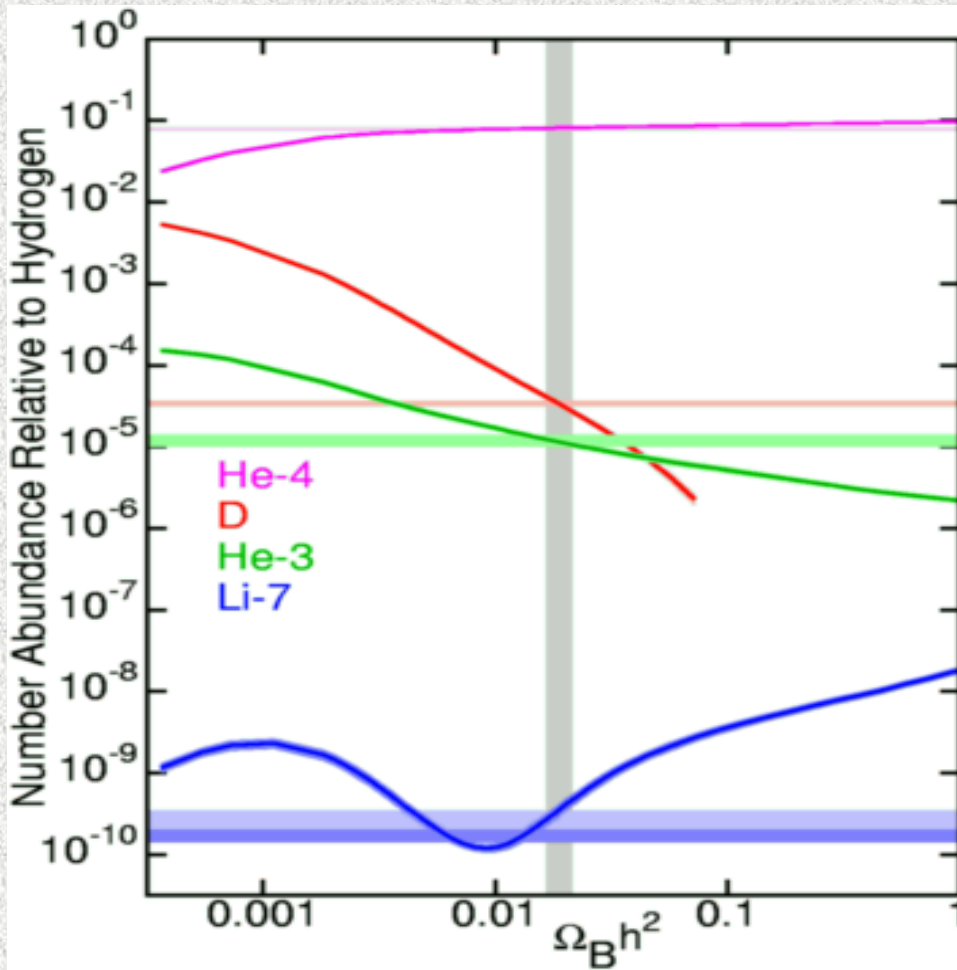
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- Under the assumption that all neutrons end up in ${}^4\text{He}$, and after accounting for the fact that **from $T \sim 0.7$ MeV down to $T \sim 0.1$ MeV about 20% of the neutrons have decayed** ($\exp(-t[0.1 \text{ MeV}]/915 \text{ s}) \sim \exp(-3 \text{ mins}/915 \text{ s}) \sim 0.8$), one can compute the abundance of ${}^4\text{He}$: **$Y \sim 0.24$ (do it!)**
- Some **residual fractions of D, ${}^3\text{H}$, and ${}^3\text{He}$ are left**, and (very small) traces of **${}^7\text{Li}$ and ${}^7\text{Be}$** are produced from reactions involving ${}^4\text{He}$, ${}^3\text{H}$, n, and ${}^3\text{He}$



- The synthesis of **heavier nuclei is suppressed** since ${}^4\text{He} + {}^4\text{He}$ or ${}^4\text{He} + \text{H}$ **don't give rise to stable nuclei**, and participating nuclei must overcome the Coulomb barrier

Nucleosynthesis



Basics of cosmological linear perturbation theory

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Synchronous gauge

$$ds^2 = a^2(\tau)[-d\tau^2 + (\delta_{ij} + h_{ij})dx^i dx^j]$$

$$h_{ij} = h\delta_{ij}/3 + h_{ij}^{\parallel} + h_{ij}^{\perp} + h_{ij}^T.$$

$$h_{ij}^{\parallel} = (\partial_i \partial_j - \frac{1}{3} \delta_{ij} \nabla^2)\mu,$$

$$h_{ij}^{\perp} = \partial_i A_j + \partial_j A_i, \quad \partial_i A_i = 0.$$

$$h_{ij}^{\parallel}(x, \tau) = \int d^3k e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}} (\hat{k}_i \hat{k}_j - \frac{1}{3} \delta_{ij}) [h(k, \tau) + 6\eta(k, \tau)],$$
$$\mathbf{k} = k\hat{\mathbf{k}}.$$

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Newtonian gauge (no tensor nor vector modes observed)

$$ds^2 = a^2(\tau)[-(1 + 2\psi)d\tau^2 + (1 - 2\phi)dx^i dx_i]$$

In the absence of **stress** and in the **Newtonian** limit, the **scalar field ψ** is equivalent to the **Newtonian gravitational potential**, and $\psi = \Phi$

Connection between the two gauges:

$$\psi(\mathbf{k}, \tau) = \frac{1}{2k^2} \left\{ \ddot{h}(\mathbf{k}, \tau) + 6\ddot{\eta}(\mathbf{k}, \tau) + \frac{\dot{a}}{a} [\dot{h}(\mathbf{k}, \tau) + 6\dot{\eta}(\mathbf{k}, \tau)] \right\} .$$

$$\phi(\mathbf{k}, \tau) = \eta(\mathbf{k}, \tau) - \frac{1}{2k^2} \frac{\dot{a}}{a} [\dot{h}(\mathbf{k}, \tau) + 6\dot{\eta}(\mathbf{k}, \tau)] .$$

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Distribution functions and energy-momentum tensor

$$T_{\mu\nu} = \int dP_1 dP_2 dP_3 (-g)^{-1/2} \frac{P_\mu P_\nu}{P^0} f(x^i, P_j, \tau)$$

$$f_0 = f_0(\epsilon) = \frac{g_s}{h_P^3} \frac{1}{e^{\epsilon/k_B T_0} \pm 1}$$

$$f(x^i, P_j, \tau) = f_0(q) [1 + \Psi(x^i, q, n_j, \tau)]$$

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$$T^{\mu\nu}{}_{;\mu} = \partial_{\mu} T^{\mu\nu} + \Gamma^{\nu}{}_{\alpha\beta} T^{\alpha\beta} + \Gamma^{\alpha}{}_{\alpha\beta} T^{\nu\beta} = 0$$

Conservation of energy-momentum tensor

Synchronous gauge:

$$\dot{\delta} = -(1+w)\left(\theta + \frac{\dot{h}}{2}\right) - 3\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\left(\frac{\delta P}{\delta\rho} - w\right)\delta,$$

$$\dot{\theta} = -\frac{\dot{a}}{a}(1-3w)\theta - \frac{\dot{w}}{1+w}\theta + \frac{\delta P/\delta\rho}{1+w}k^2\delta - k^2\sigma.$$

They are required for solving for the sound speed w

Conformal Newtonian gauge:

$$\dot{\delta} = -(1+w)(\theta - 3\dot{\phi}) - 3\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\left(\frac{\delta P}{\delta\rho} - w\right)\delta,$$

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Synchronous gauge:

$$k^2 \eta - \frac{1}{2} \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \dot{h} = 4\pi G a^2 \delta T^0_0(\text{Syn}),$$

$$k^2 \dot{\eta} = 4\pi G a^2 (\bar{\rho} + \bar{P}) \theta(\text{Syn}),$$

$$\ddot{h} + 2 \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \dot{h} - 2k^2 \eta = -8\pi G a^2 \delta T^i_i(\text{Syn}),$$

Linearised Einstein eqs.

Conformal Newtonian gauge:

$$k^2 \phi + 3 \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \left(\dot{\phi} + \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \psi \right) = 4\pi G a^2 \delta T^0_0(\text{Con}),$$

$$k^2 \left(\dot{\phi} + \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \psi \right) = 4\pi G a^2 (\bar{\rho} + \bar{P}) \theta(\text{Con}),$$

$$\begin{aligned} \ddot{\phi} + \frac{\dot{a}}{a} (\dot{\psi} + 2\dot{\phi}) + \left(2 \frac{\ddot{a}}{a} - \frac{\dot{a}^2}{a^2} \right) \psi + \frac{k^2}{3} (\phi - \psi) \\ = \frac{4\pi}{3} G a^2 \delta T^i_i(\text{Con}), \end{aligned}$$

$$k^2 (\phi - \psi) = 12\pi G a^2 (\bar{\rho} + \bar{P}) \sigma(\text{Con}),$$

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$$\frac{Df}{d\tau} = \frac{\partial f}{\partial \tau} + \frac{dx^i}{d\tau} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x^i} + \frac{dq}{d\tau} \frac{\partial f}{\partial q} + \frac{dn_i}{d\tau} \frac{\partial f}{\partial n_i} = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial \tau} \right)_c,$$

Boltzmann equations

$$f(x^i, P_j, \tau) = f_0(q)[1 + \Psi(x^i, q, n_j, \tau)]$$

Synchronous gauge:

$$\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial \tau} + i \frac{q}{\epsilon} (\mathbf{k} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}}) \Psi + \frac{d \ln f_0}{d \ln q} \left[\dot{\eta} - \frac{\dot{h} + 6\dot{\eta}}{2} (\hat{\mathbf{k}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{n}})^2 \right] = \frac{1}{f_0} \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial \tau} \right)_c,$$

(40)

Conformal Newtonian gauge:

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(41)

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We need however to keep track of the physics of the gas, regardless how simple it is:

$$\dot{T}_b = -2 \frac{\dot{a}}{a} T_b + \frac{8}{3} \frac{\mu}{m_e} \frac{\bar{\rho}_\gamma}{\bar{\rho}_b} a n_e \sigma_T (T_\gamma - T_b) .$$

Temperature of gas (baryons)

$$\frac{n_e x_{n+1}}{x_n} = \frac{2g_{n+1}}{g_n} \left(\frac{m_e k_B T_b}{2\pi\hbar^2} \right)^{3/2} e^{-\chi_n/k_B T_b}$$

Ionization fraction of He and He+

$$\frac{dx_H}{d\tau} = a C_r [\beta(T_b)(1 - x_H) - n_H \alpha^{(2)}(T_b) x_H^2]$$

Ionization fraction of hydrogen $x_H = n_e / n_H$

Ionization rate

Recombination rate

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Conformal Newtonian gauge:

$$\delta_c = -\theta_c + 3\dot{\phi}, \quad \dot{\theta}_c = -\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\theta_c + k^2\psi$$

Cold Dark Matter (CDM)

Conformal Newtonian gauge:

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Baryons (CDM)

$$\dot{\theta}_b = -\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\theta_b + c_s^2 k^2 \delta_b + \frac{4\bar{\rho}_\gamma}{3\bar{\rho}_b} an_e \sigma_T (\theta_\gamma - \theta_b) + k^2\psi$$

Conformal Newtonian gauge:

$$\delta_\gamma = -\frac{4}{3}\theta_\gamma + 4\dot{\phi},$$

$$\dot{\theta}_\gamma = k^2 \left(\frac{1}{4} \delta_\gamma - \sigma_\gamma \right) + k^2\psi + an_e \sigma_T (\theta_b - \theta_\gamma),$$

$$\dot{F}_{\gamma 2} = 2\dot{\sigma}_\gamma = \frac{8}{15}\theta_\gamma - \frac{3}{5}kF_{\gamma 3} - \frac{9}{5}an_e \sigma_T \sigma_\gamma$$

$$+ \frac{1}{10}an_e \sigma_T (G_{\gamma 0} + G_{\gamma 2}),$$

Photons (CMB)

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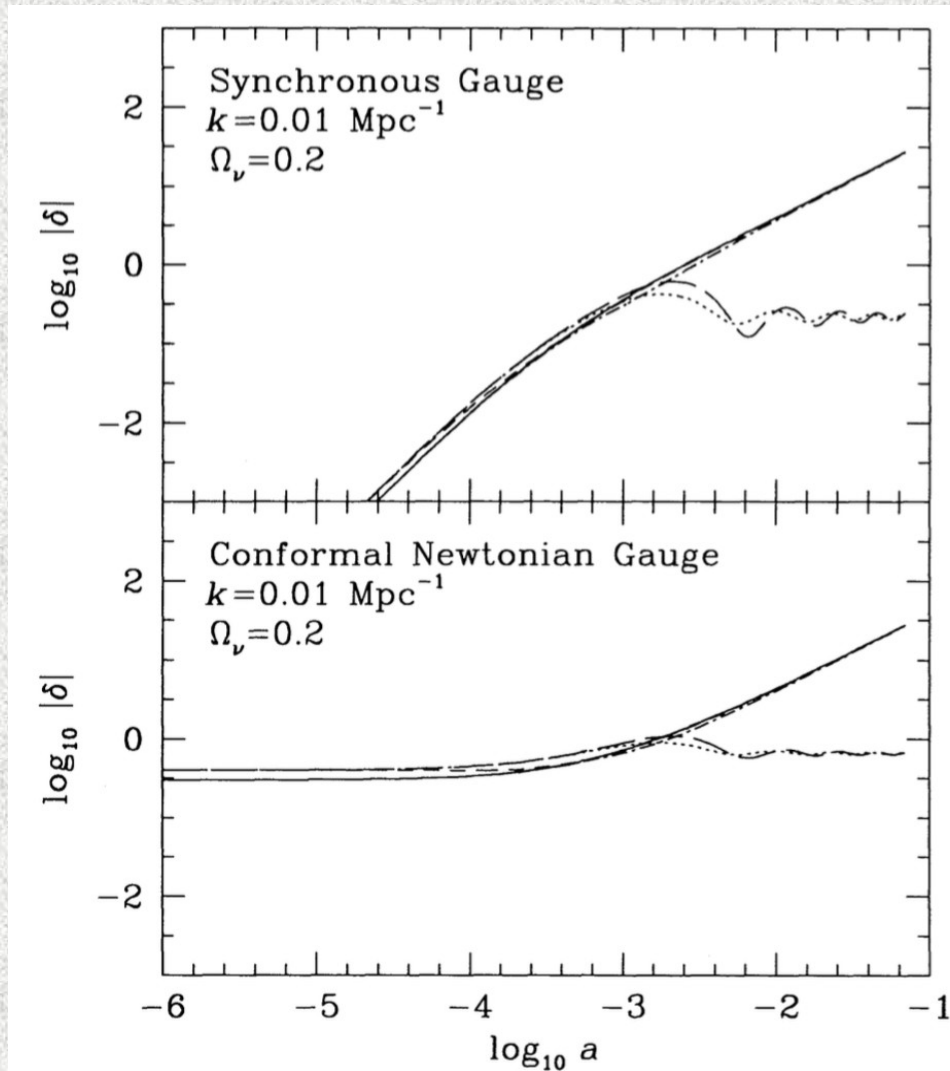


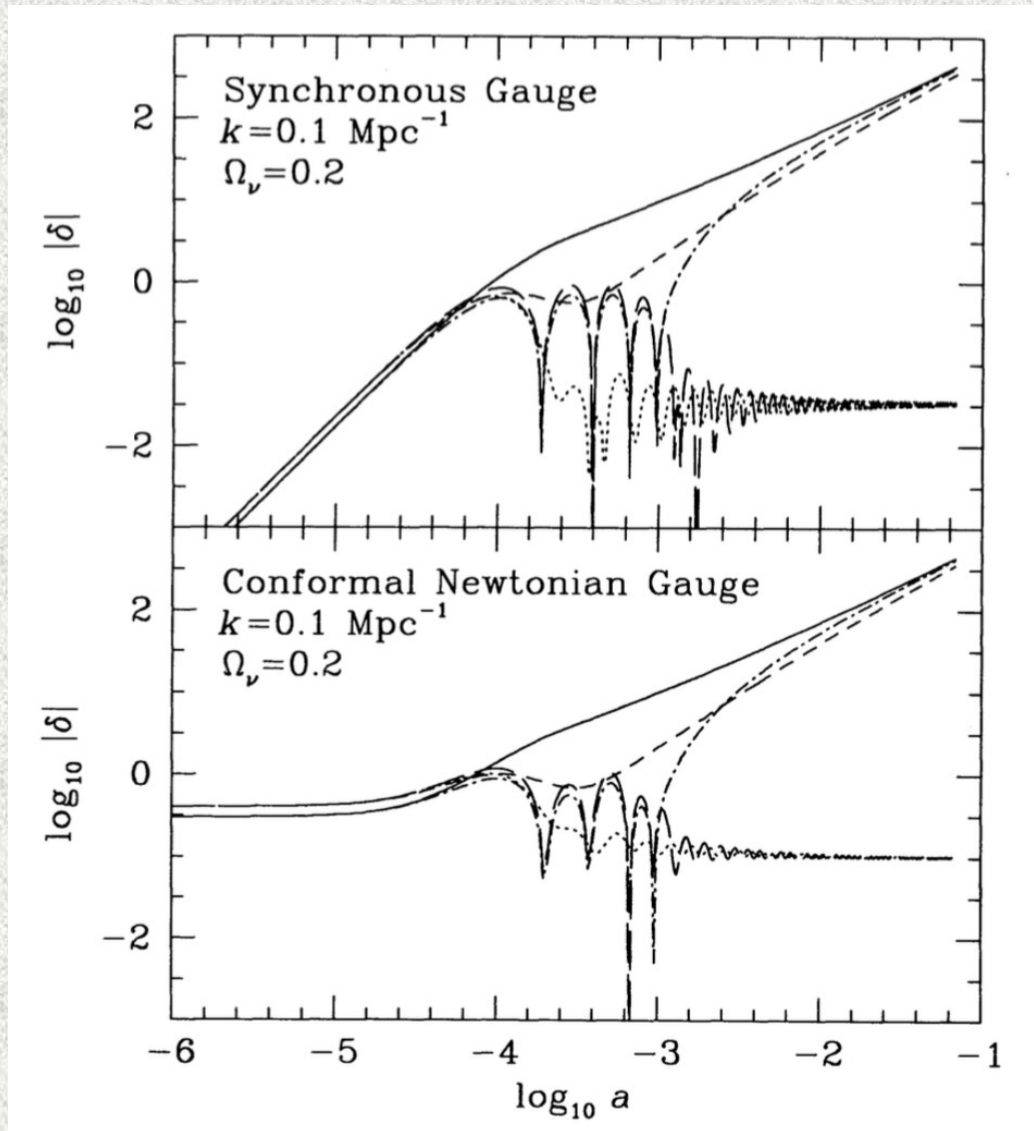
FIG. 3a

Low k , large scales

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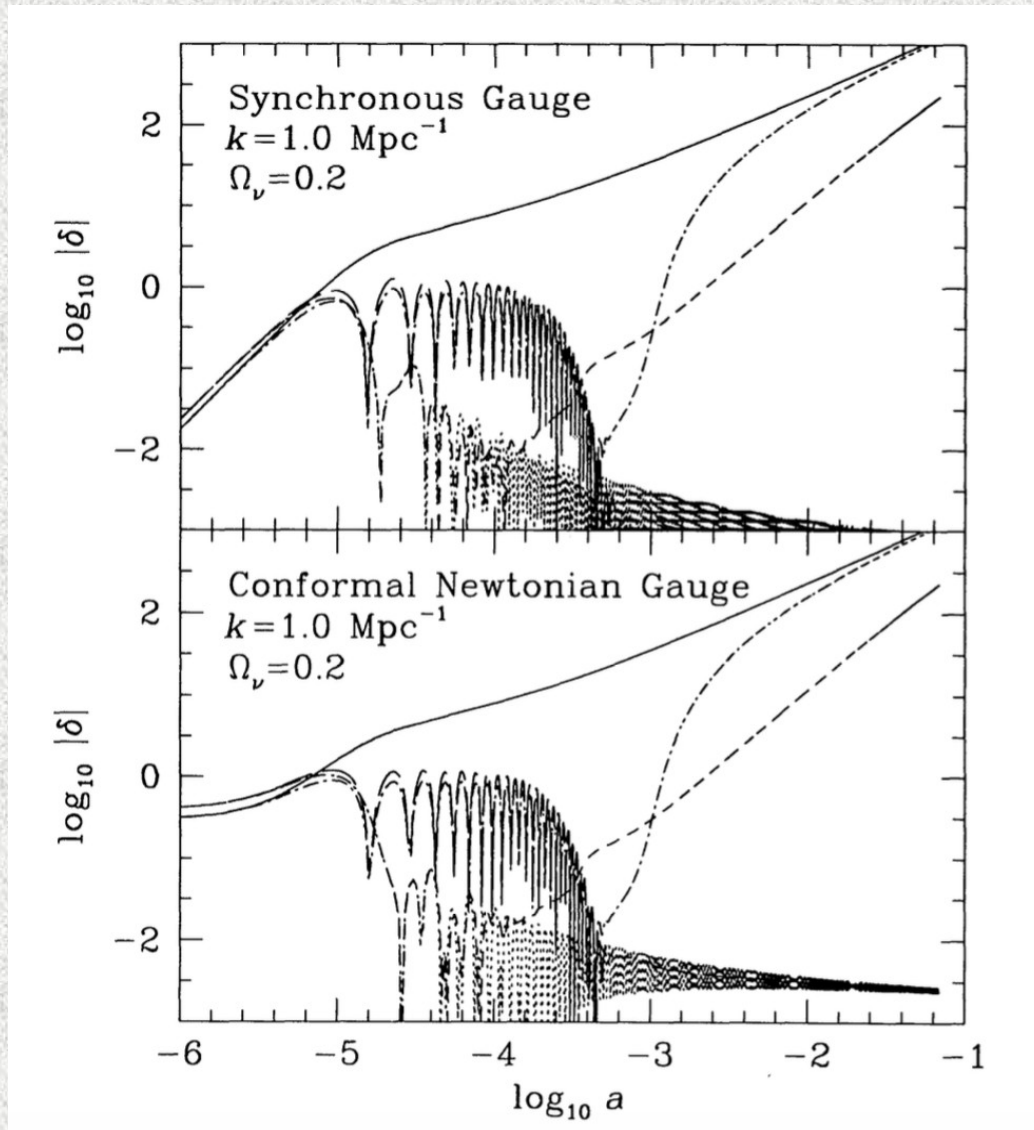


Mid k , middle scales

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Results:



High k , small scales

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The particular case of CMB anisotropies:

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We work with brightness temperature units

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For **each** \mathbf{k} or Fourier mode (that evolve independently of other modes in linear theory), one can write an **integral** solution:

The **linearised** Boltzmann equation for the CMB brightness temperature has this form (at **linear** level of perturbations, all **changes** in the CMB distribution function are **independent of frequency**, i.e., the resulting spectrum is **Planckian**, but with a slightly different temperature

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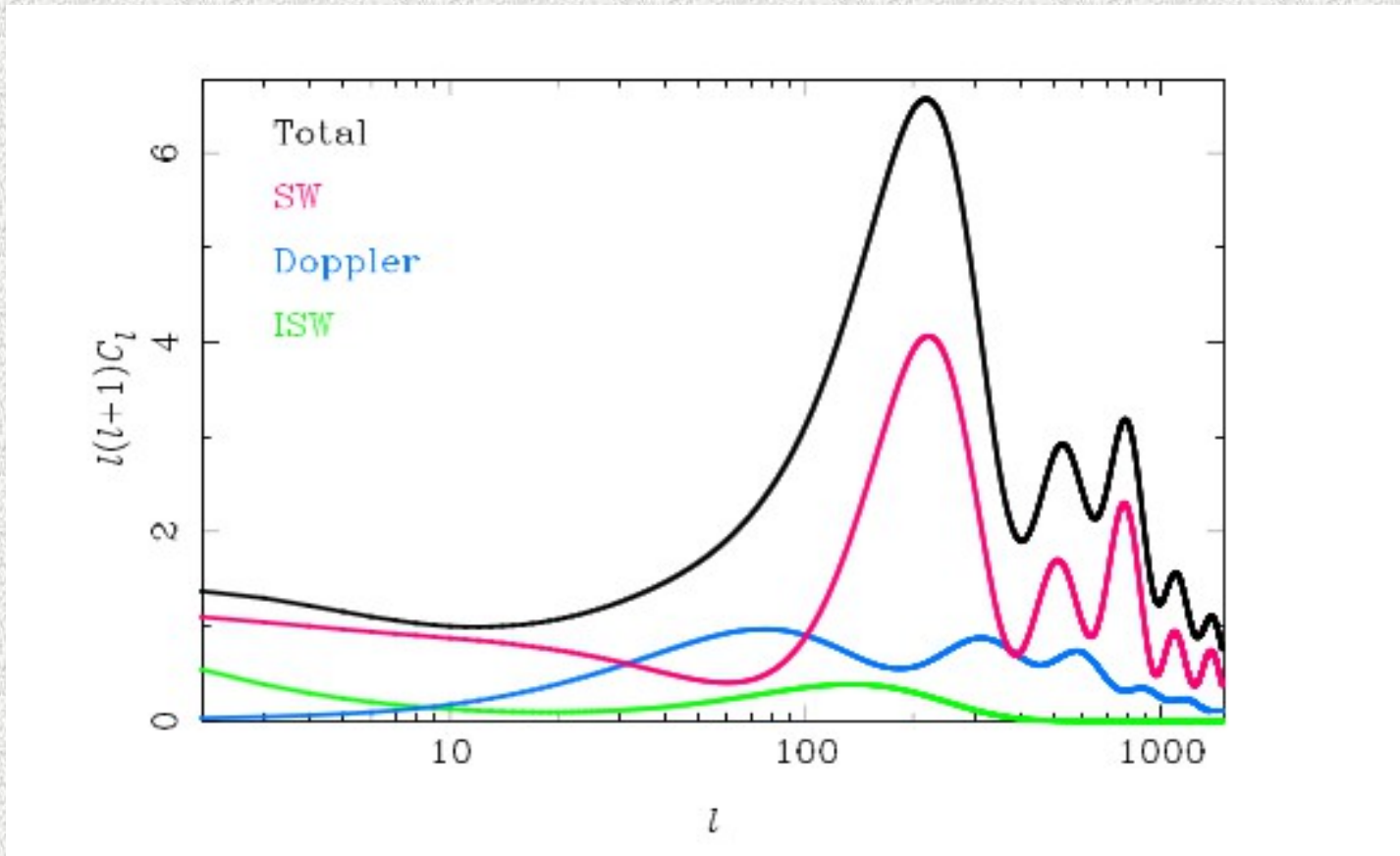
Local monopole + gravitational potential:
Sachs Wolfe effect

Time varying potentials:
integrated Sachs Wolfe effect

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Doppler or kSZ term

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The particular case of CMB anisotropies:

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\Delta}_T^{(S)} + ik\mu \Delta_T^{(S)} &= \dot{\phi} - ik\mu\psi \\ &+ \dot{\kappa}[-\Delta_T^{(S)} + \Delta_{T0}^{(S)} + i\mu v_b + \frac{1}{2}P_2(\mu)\Pi] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\Delta}_P^{(S)} + ik\mu \Delta_P^{(S)} &= \dot{\kappa}\{-\Delta_P^{(S)} + \frac{1}{2}[1 - P_2(\mu)]\Pi\}, \\ \Pi &= \Delta_{T2}^{(S)} + \Delta_{P2}^{(S)} + \Delta_{P0}^{(S)} \end{aligned}$$

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Handling polarization in all-sky CMB maps

The Q & U stokes parameters are not invariant wrt rotations of the reference frame by an angle ψ (they are “*spin-2*” quantities)

$$\begin{aligned} Q' &= Q \cos 2\psi + U \sin 2\psi \\ U' &= -Q \sin 2\psi + U \cos 2\psi \end{aligned}$$

One must define eigen-vectors of the spin ...

$$(Q \pm iU)'(\hat{n}) = e^{\mp 2i\psi} (Q \pm iU)(\hat{n}).$$

... which can be made spin-0 or scalar quantities via spin-raising and spin-lowering operations ...

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\partial}^2(Q + iU)(\hat{n}) &= \sum_{lm} \left[\frac{(l+2)!}{(l-2)!} \right]^{1/2} a_{2,lm} Y_{lm}(\hat{n}) \\ \partial^2(Q - iU)(\hat{n}) &= \sum_{lm} \left[\frac{(l+2)!}{(l-2)!} \right]^{1/2} a_{-2,lm} Y_{lm}(\hat{n}). \end{aligned}$$

... allowing to define E and B modes of the polarization, with opposite parity properties ...

$$\begin{aligned} a_{E,lm} &= -(a_{2,lm} + a_{-2,lm})/2 \\ a_{B,lm} &= i(a_{2,lm} - a_{-2,lm})/2. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} C_{Tl} &= \frac{1}{2l+1} \sum_m \langle a_{T,lm}^* a_{T,lm} \rangle \\ C_{El} &= \frac{1}{2l+1} \sum_m \langle a_{E,lm}^* a_{E,lm} \rangle \\ C_{Bl} &= \frac{1}{2l+1} \sum_m \langle a_{B,lm}^* a_{B,lm} \rangle \\ C_{Cl} &= \frac{1}{2l+1} \sum_m \langle a_{T,lm}^* a_{E,lm} \rangle \end{aligned}$$

The imprinting of gravitational waves (GW) on all-sky CMB maps

The two tensor polarization of GWs are re-defined and made orthogonal ...

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.. so that they can be easily plugged into the Boltzmann equation for CMB intensity and polarization anisotropies ...

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$$\Delta_{\hat{E}}^{(T)}(\tau_0, \hat{\mathbf{n}}, \mathbf{k}) = \left[(1 - \mu^2) e^{2i\phi} \xi^1(\mathbf{k}) + (1 - \mu^2) e^{-2i\phi} \xi^2(\mathbf{k}) \right] \hat{\mathcal{E}}(x) \int_0^{\tau_0} d\tau S_P^{(T)}(\tau, \mathbf{k}) e^{ix\mu}$$

$$\Delta_{\hat{B}}^{(T)}(\tau_0, \hat{\mathbf{n}}, \mathbf{k}) = \left[(1 - \mu^2) e^{2i\phi} \xi^1(\mathbf{k}) - (1 - \mu^2) e^{-2i\phi} \xi^2(\mathbf{k}) \right] \hat{\mathcal{B}}(x) \int_0^{\tau_0} d\tau S_P^{(T)}(\tau, \mathbf{k}) e^{ix\mu}.$$

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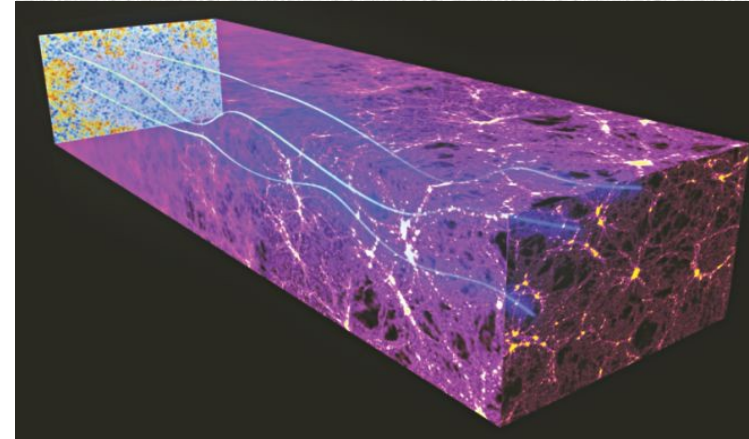
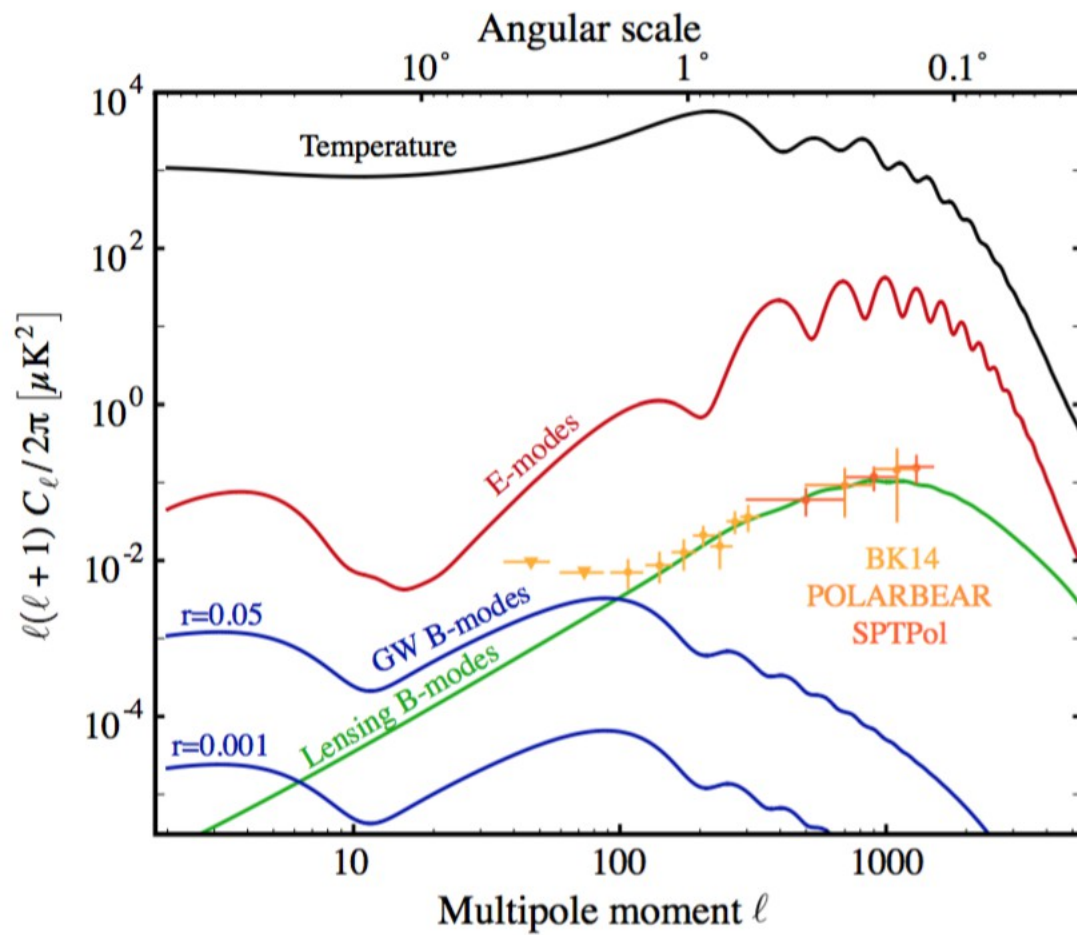
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$$\begin{aligned} C_{El}^{(T)} &= (4\pi)^2 \int k^2 dk P_h(k) \left| \int_0^{\tau_0} d\tau S_P^{(T)}(k, \tau) \hat{\mathcal{E}}(x) \frac{j_l(x)}{x^2} \right|^2 \\ &= (4\pi)^2 \int k^2 dk P_h(k) \left(\int_0^{\tau_0} d\tau S_P^{(T)}(k, \tau) \left[-j_l(x) + j_l''(x) + \frac{2j_l(x)}{x^2} + \frac{4j_l'(x)}{x} \right] \right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} C_{Bl}^{(T)} &= (4\pi)^2 \int k^2 dk P_h(k) \left| \int_0^{\tau_0} d\tau S_P^{(T)}(k, \tau) \hat{\mathcal{B}}(x) \frac{j_l(x)}{x^2} \right|^2 \\ &= (4\pi)^2 \int k^2 dk P_h(k) \left(\int_0^{\tau_0} d\tau S_P^{(T)}(k, \tau) \left[2j_l'(x) + \frac{4j_l}{x} \right] \right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

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