

Axion dark matter and the cosmic dipole problem

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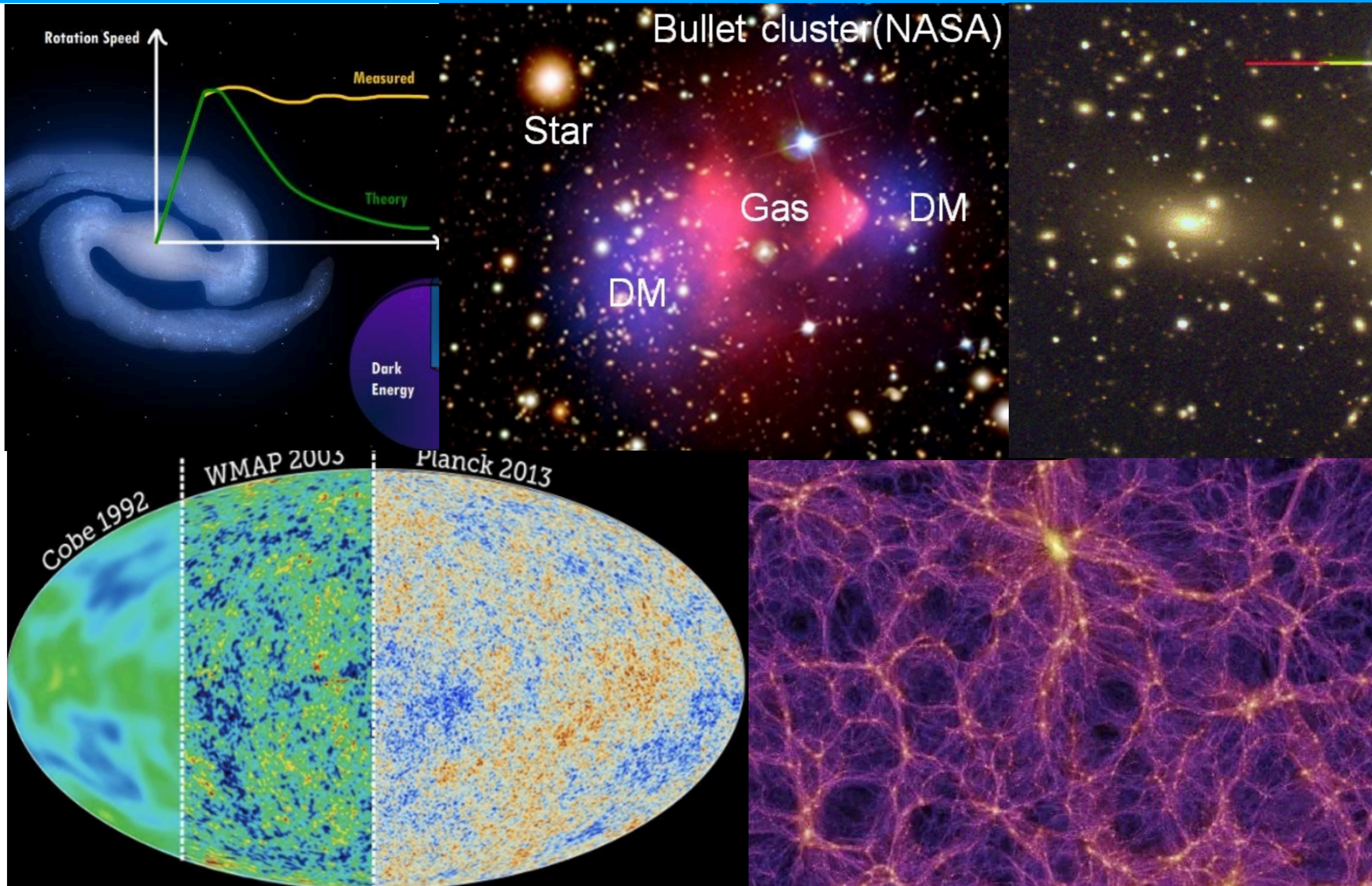
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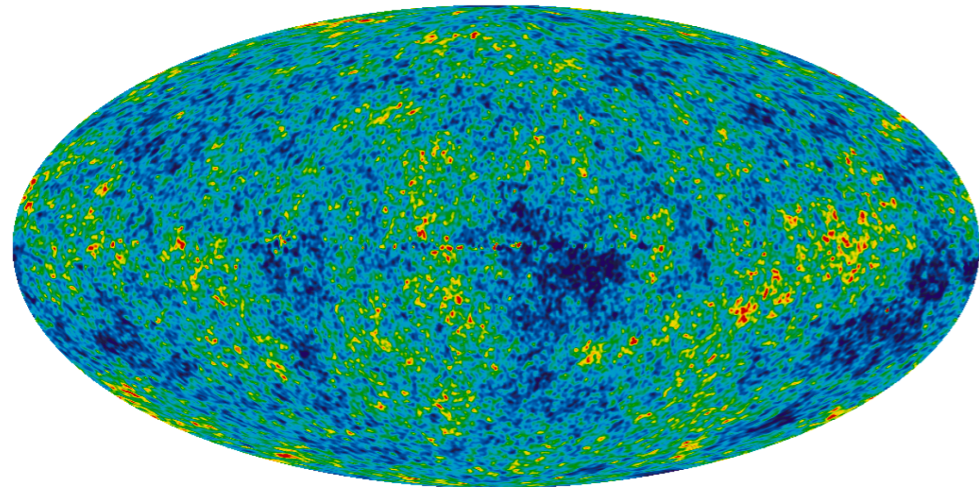
Evidence of dark matter at different length scales(kpc-Gpc)



Dark matter is important for structure formation

Quantum fluctuations from inflation

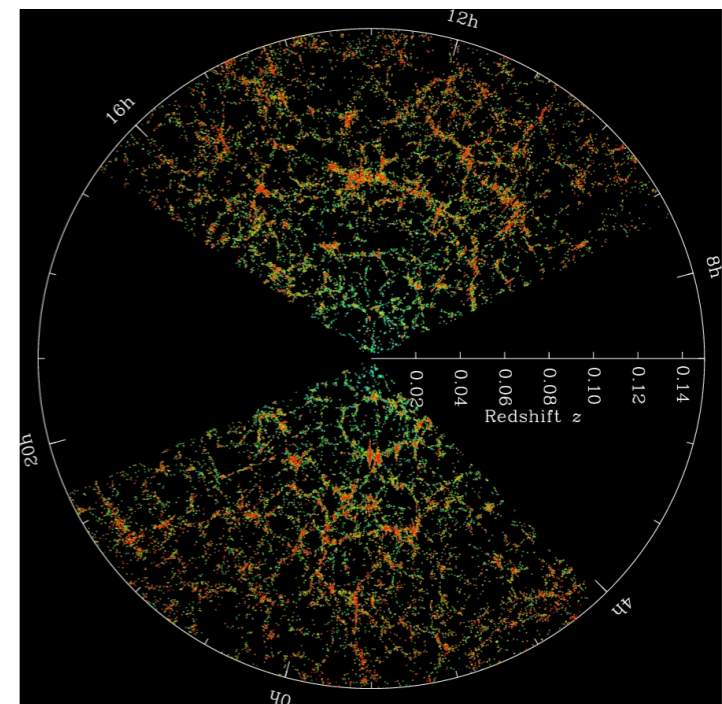
$$\delta\phi \sim H/2\pi \longrightarrow \frac{\delta T}{T} \sim 10^{-5}$$



photon temperature fluctuation


dark matter

Void(空洞)
Filaments(丝)



- Many candidates
- Many experiments
- No evidence (of particle nature) yet

Since all evidence of dark matter from astronomic observation, further insights from astronomy may shed light on the properties of dark matter

Cosmic dipole problem  Properties of dark matter at super-horizon scale(> Gpc)

Cosmological principles

Modern cosmology is based on the cosmological principle:

On a large enough scale, the Universe is homogeneous and isotropic

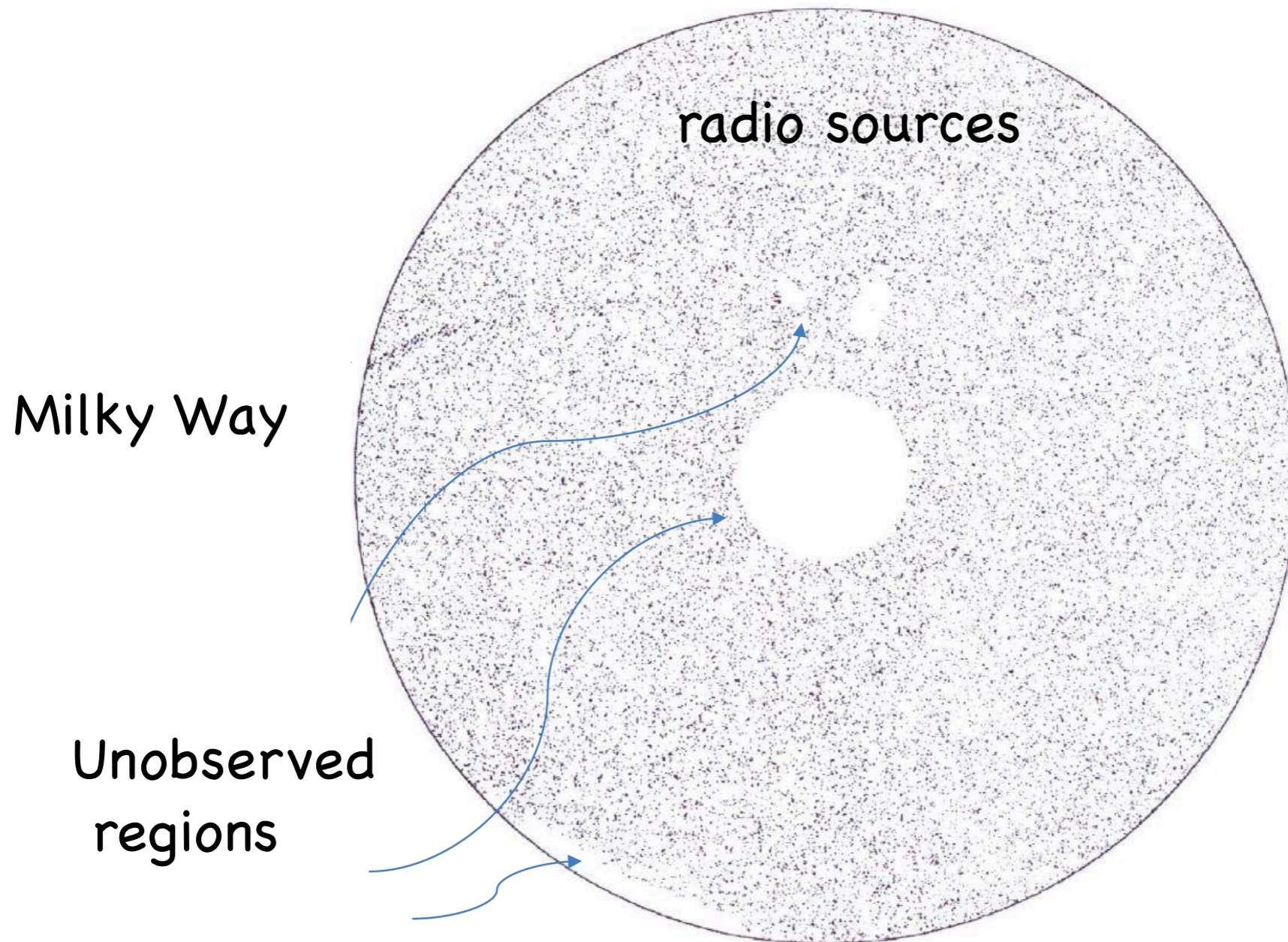


Friedmann–Robertson–Walker (FRW) metric

$$ds^2 = -dt^2 + a^2(t) \left(\frac{dr^2}{1 - kr^2} + r^2(d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2) \right)$$

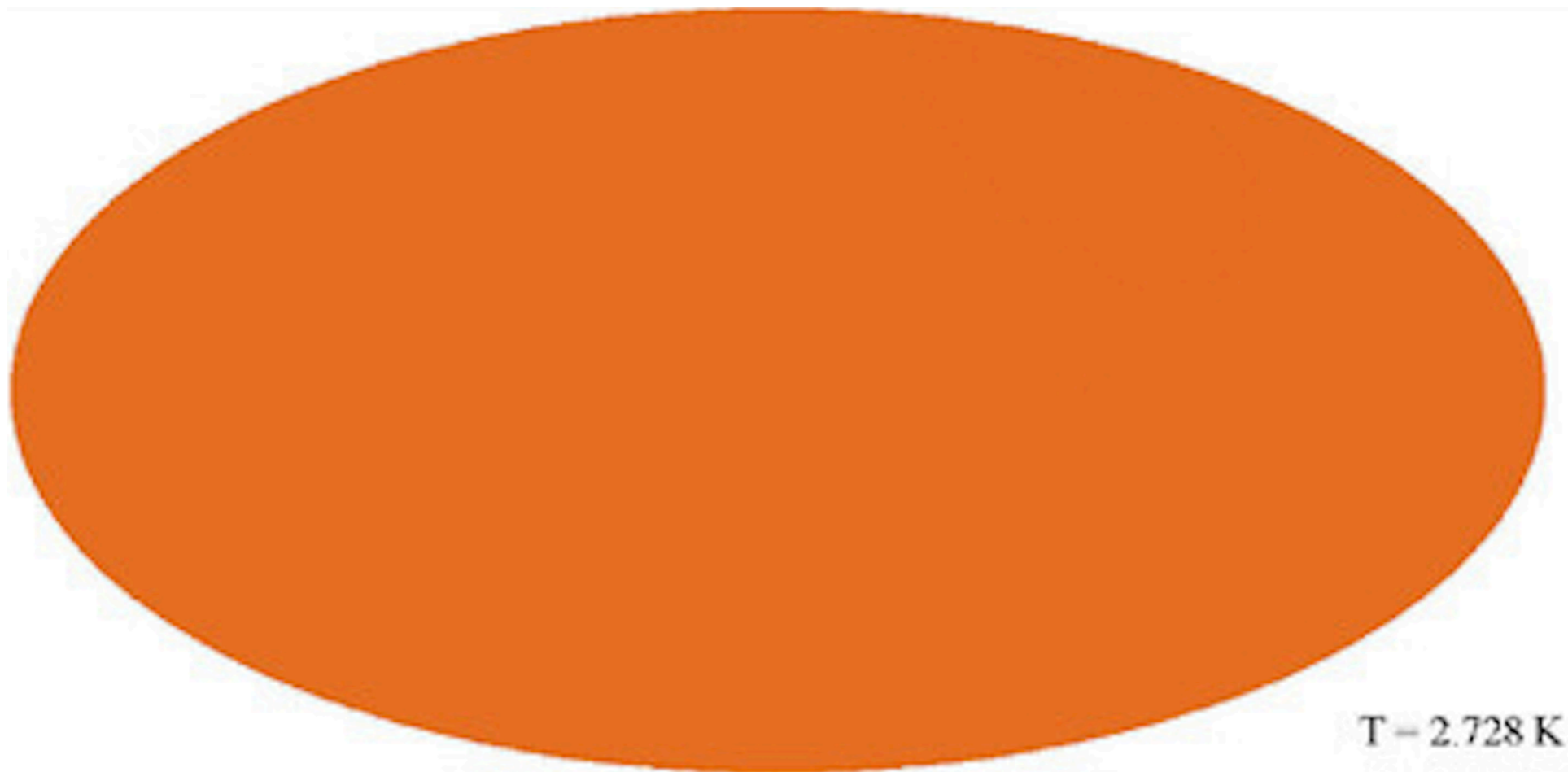
Cosmological principles

Observations support cosmological principle

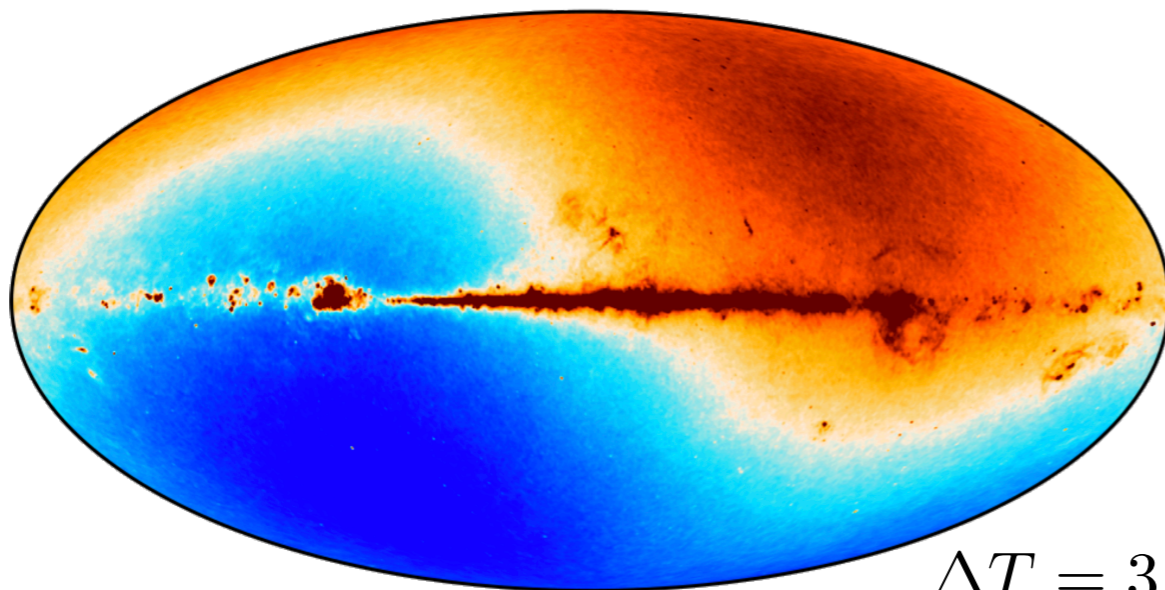


Peebles, Principles of Physical Cosmology, 1993

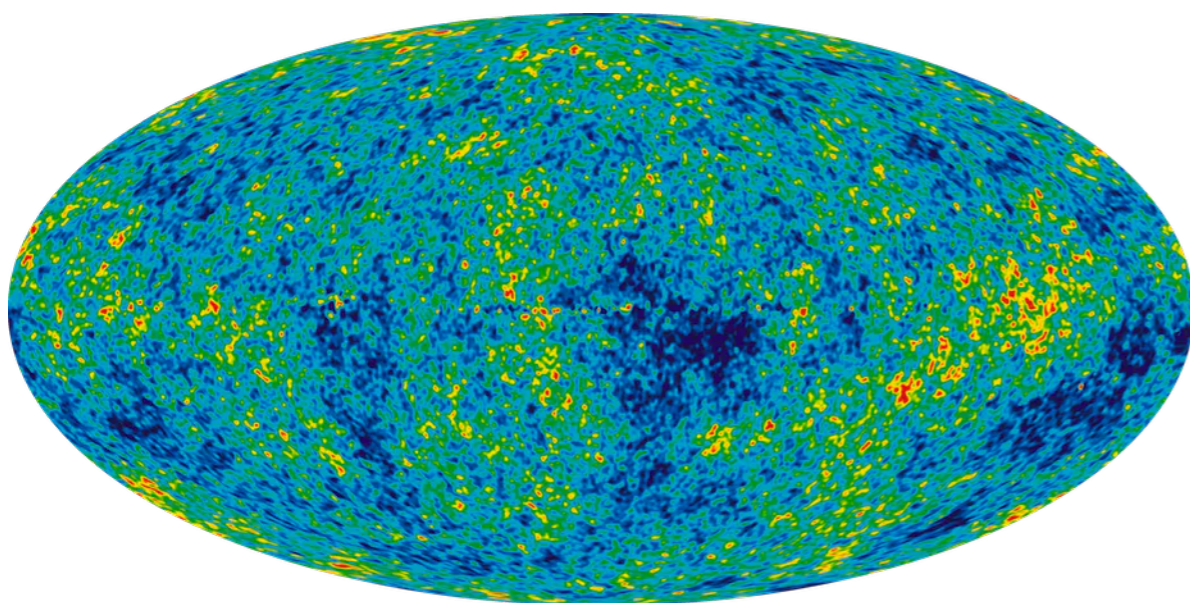
cosmic microwave background



Dipole from CMB



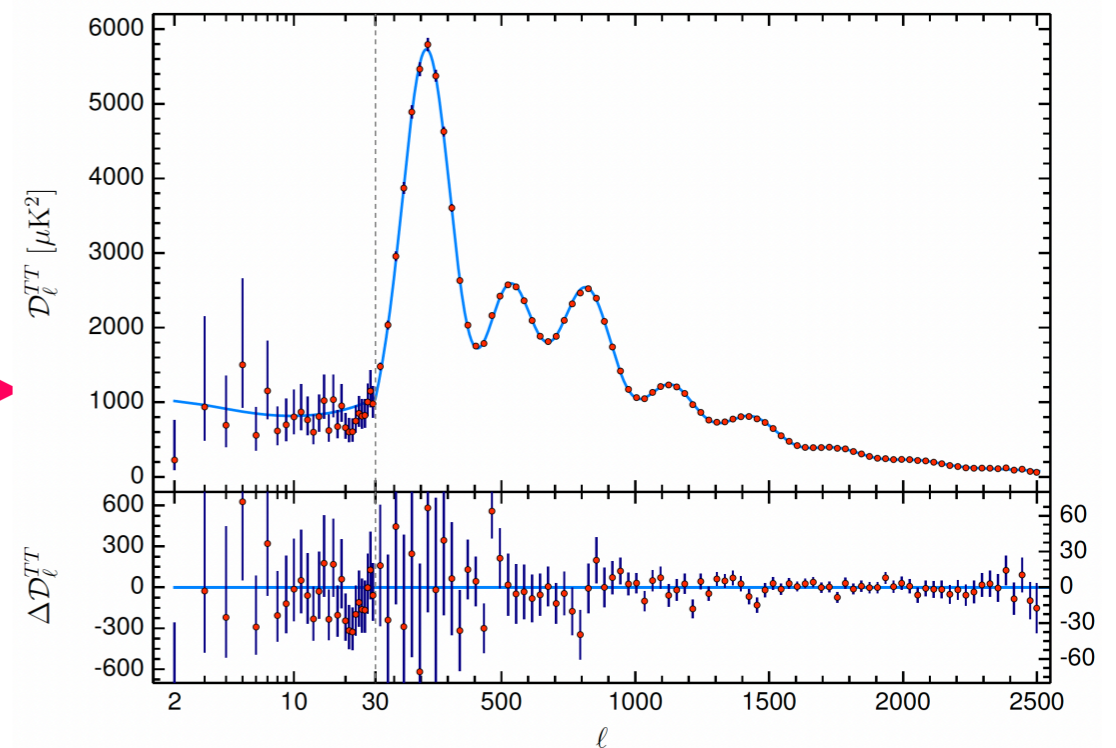
↓ Minus 370 km/s
plus inpainting



$$\frac{\Delta T}{T}(\hat{n}) = \sum_{l,m} a_{lm} Y_{lm}(\hat{n})$$



Relative velocity	Speed [km s ⁻¹]	l [deg]	b [deg]
Sun-CMB ^a	369.82 ± 0.11	264.021 ± 0.011	48.253 ± 0.005
Sun-LSR ^b	17.9 ± 2.0	48 ± 7	23 ± 4
LSR-GC ^c	239 ± 5	90	0
GC-CMB ^d	565 ± 5	265.76 ± 0.20	28.38 ± 0.28
Sun-LG ^e	299 ± 15	98.4 ± 3.6	-5.9 ± 3.0
LG-CMB ^d	620 ± 15	271.9 ± 2.0	29.6 ± 1.4



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We are not the “rest” observer



Dipole in radio sources(distant galaxies)

Testing the cosmological principle

We should observe the dipole anisotropy of discrete objects (galaxies, quasars)

Ellis & Baldwin (1984): for sources in a flux-limited catalog

$$\frac{dN}{d\Omega}(S > S_*) \propto S_*^{-x}; \quad S \propto \nu^\alpha$$

Typical values $x = 0.7$ to 1.1 , $\alpha = -0.9$ to -0.7

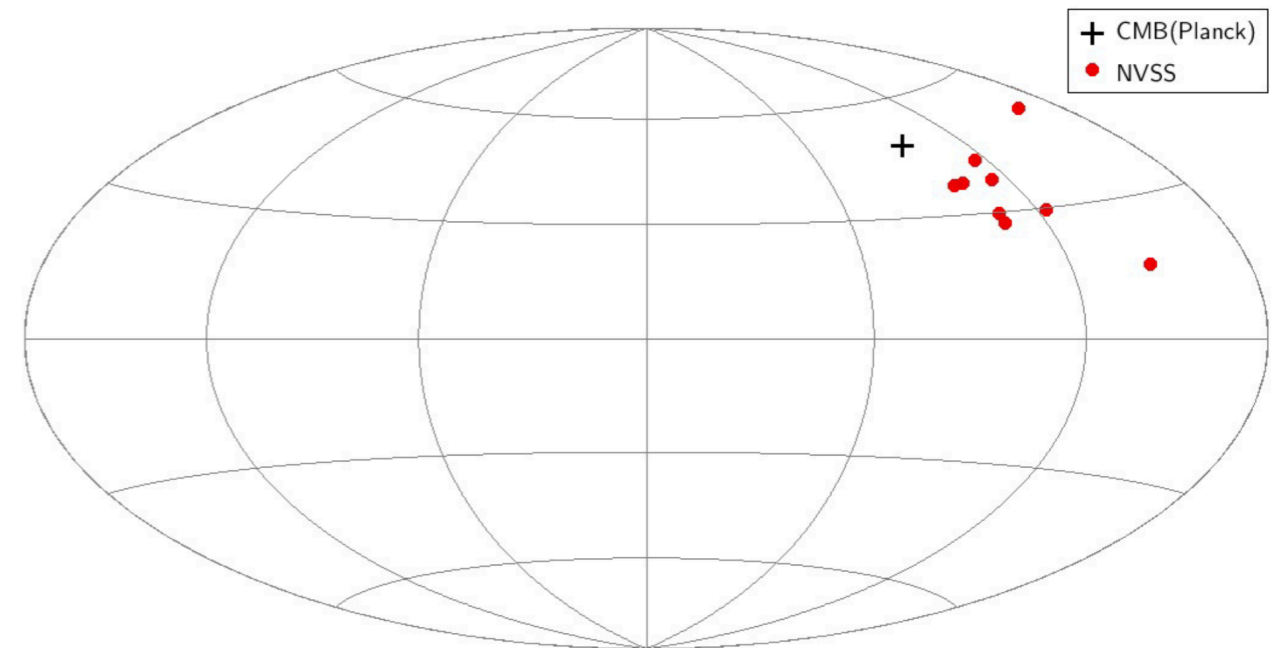
+ aberration & Doppler boosting

$$\left[\frac{dN}{d\Omega} \right]_{\text{obs}} = \left[\frac{dN}{d\Omega} \right]_{\text{com}} (1 + d_{\text{radio}} \cos \theta + \dots); \quad d_{\text{radio}} = [2 + x(1 - \alpha)] \frac{v}{c}$$

Testing the cosmological principle

NVSS - NRAO VLA Sky Survey Catalog

Source	d (10^{-2})	R.A. (deg)	decl. (deg)	Significance (σ)
Blake & Wall (2002)	0.8	148	+31	1.5
Singal (2011)	1.9	157	-12	3
Gibelyou & Huterer (2012)	2.7	214.5	+15.6	>2.3
Rubart & Schwarz (2013)	1.8	154	-2	3.5
Tiwari et al. (2015)	1.4	159	-14	2
Tiwari & Nusser (2016)	0.9	151	-6	2.1
Colin et al. (2017)	1.2	149.1	-15.7	3
Bengaly et al. (2018)	2.3	147.45	-17.54	2.9
Siewert et al. (2021)	1.8	140.02	-5.14	3.5
CMB expectation	0.46	167.942	-6.944	



Dipole \sim 2-3 times larger than expectation (0.0046)

Similar direction to the CMB dipole.

Testing the cosmological principle

Wide-field Infrared Survey Explorer (WISE) systematically independent quasar catalog

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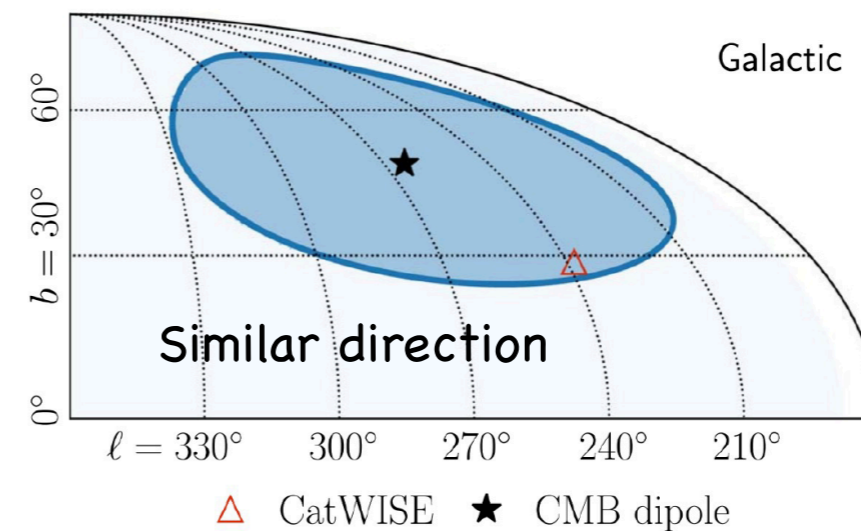
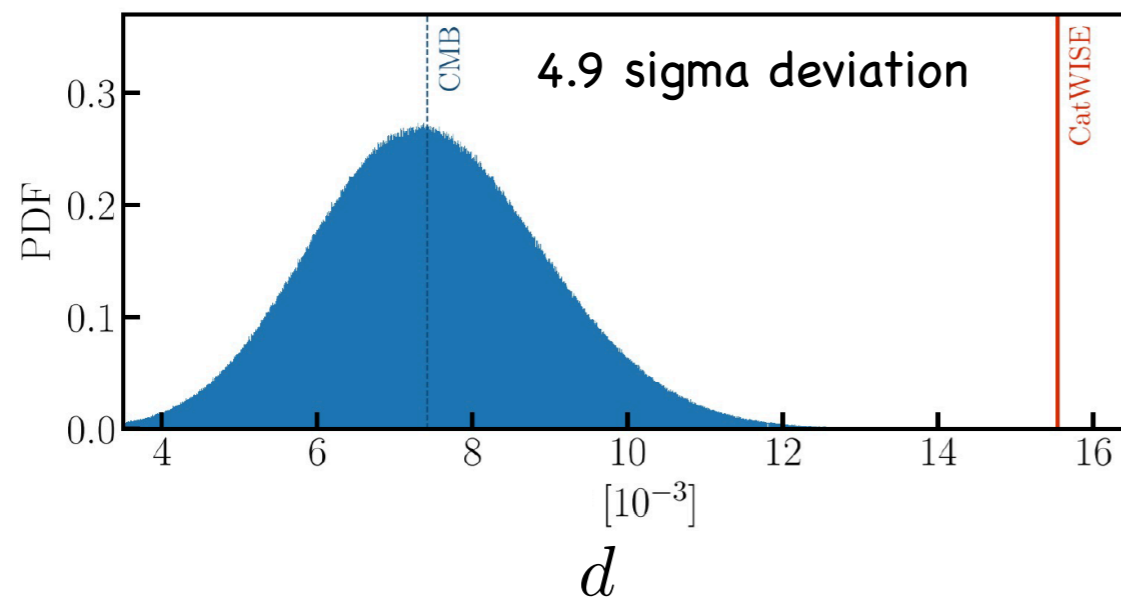
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A Test of the Cosmological Principle with Quasars

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Citations per year



$$n_i v_o^i = (2.66 \pm 0.29) \times 10^{-3} \Rightarrow 797 \pm 87 \text{ km/s}$$

prefer a larger speed of us

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Anomalies in Physical Cosmology

[Phillip James E. Peebles](#)

I conclude that the present weight of the evidence from the other measures of the radio dipole and the WISE quasar dipole is that there is an anomalously large dipole common to distant radio galaxies and quasars.

How to explain the inconsistency?

Are we living close to a large void?

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Reconciling cosmic dipolar tensions with a gigaparsec void

Tingqi Cai, Qianhang Ding, Yi Wang

Recent observations indicate a 4.9σ tension between the CMB and quasar dipoles. This tension challenges the cosmological principle. We propose that if we live in a gigaparsec scale void, the CMB and quasar dipolar tension can be reconciled. This is because we are unlikely to live at the center of the void. And a 15% offset from the center will impact the quasars and CMB differently in their dipolar anisotropies. As we consider a large and thick void, our setup can also ease the Hubble tension.

Or giving up the cosmological principle?

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Dipole Cosmology: The Copernican Paradigm Beyond FLRW

Chethan Krishnan, Ranjini Mondol, M. M. Sheikh-Jabbari

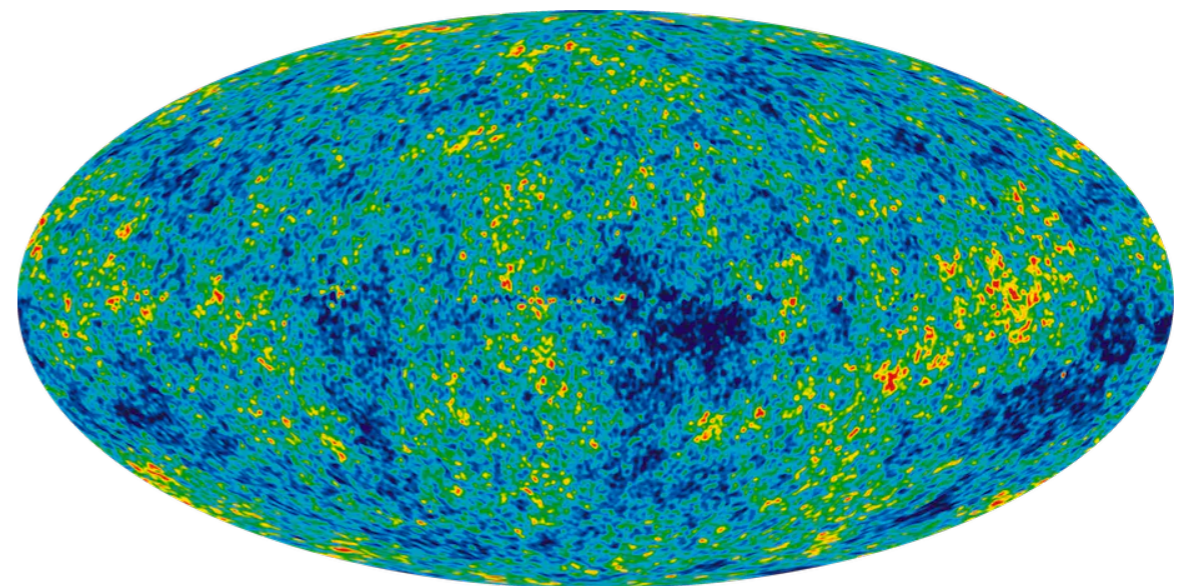
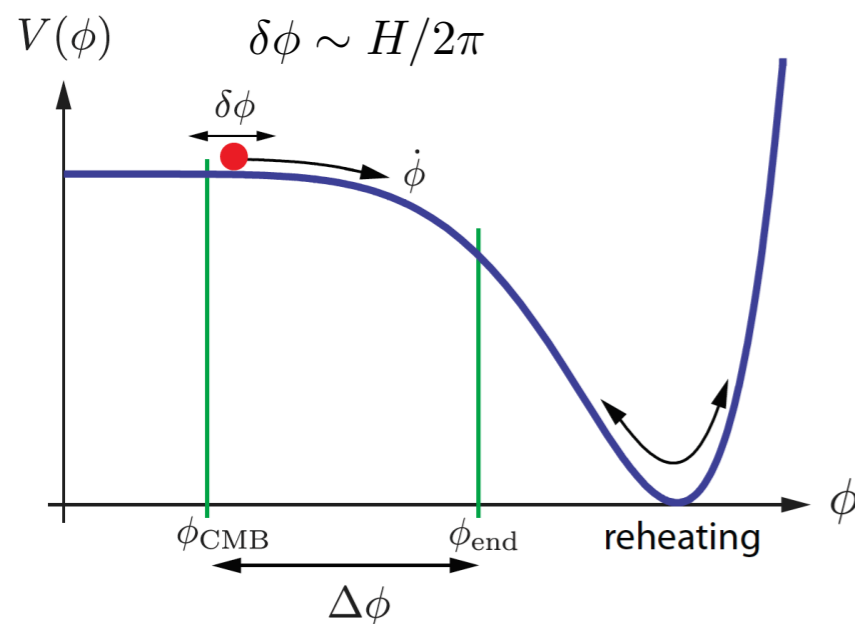
We introduce the *dipole cosmological principle*, the idea that the Universe is a maximally Copernican cosmology, compatible with a cosmic flow. It serves as the most symmetric paradigm that generalizes the FLRW ansatz, in light of the increasingly numerous (but still tentative) hints that have emerged in the last two decades for a non-kinematic component in the CMB dipole. Einstein equations in our "dipole cosmology" are still ordinary differential equations -- but instead of the two Friedmann equations, now we have four. The two new functions can be viewed as an anisotropic scale factor that breaks the isotropy group from $SO(3)$ to $U(1)$, and a "tilt" that captures the cosmic flow velocity. The result is an axially isotropic, tilted Bianchi V/VII_h cosmology. We assess the possibility of model building within the dipole cosmology paradigm, and discuss the dynamics of expansion rate, anisotropic shear and tilt, in various examples. A key observation is that the cosmic flow (tilt) can grow even while the anisotropy (shear) dies down. Remarkably, this can happen even in an era of late time acceleration.

How to explain the inconsistency?

Before giving up the cosmological principle, can we explain it from the **perturbed FRW**?



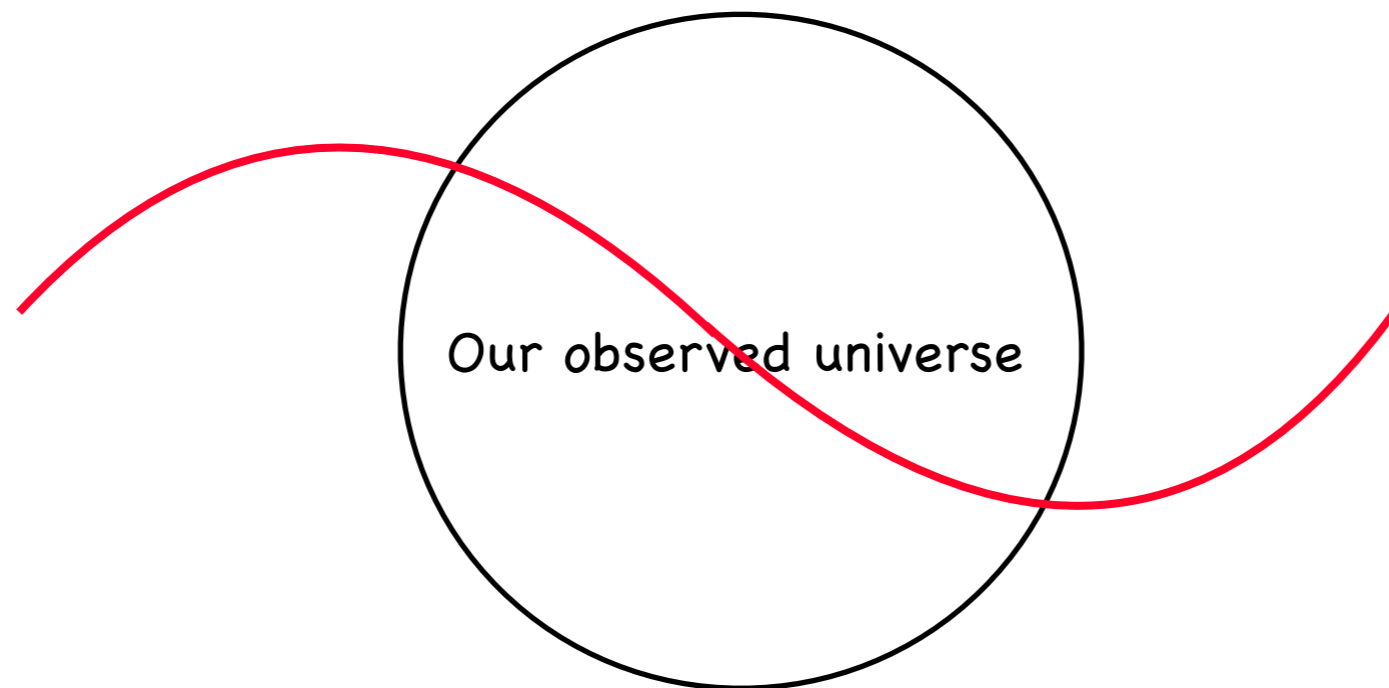
Anisotropies at CMB (commonly believed from the inflation)



Perturbations at super horizon scale

Inflation  Perturbations at super horizon scale

If we are living in a large super horizon mode, there may be a dipole



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Long-wavelength perturbations of a Friedmann universe, and anisotropy of the microwave background radiation

L. P. Grishchuk and Ya. B. Zel'dovich

Shternberg Astronomical Institute, Moscow

(Submitted July 2, 1977)

Astron. Zh. **55**, 209–215 (March–April 1978)

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Tilted Universe and other remnants of the preinflationary Universe

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Dipole Anisotropy from an Entropy Gradient 1996'

David Langlois^{1,2} and Tsvi Piran¹

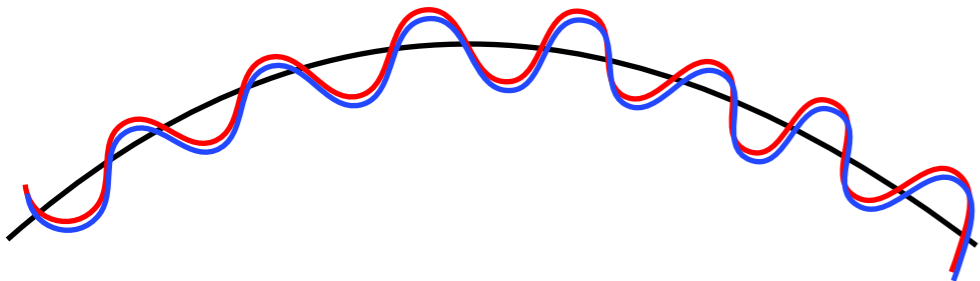
We can not observe this dipole from CMB if the perturbation is adiabatic

However, if there is entropy(isocurvature) mode at super horizon scale,
an intrinsic dipole appears in CMB

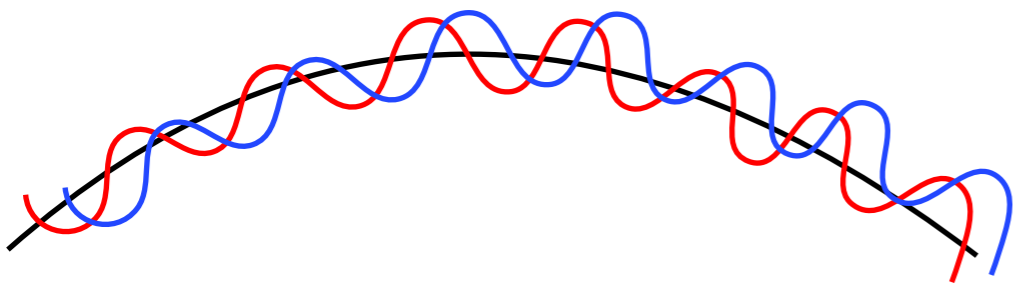
Adiabatic/curvature vs entropy/isocurvature perturbation

dark matter and radiation share same fluctuation

$$S = 0$$



$$S \neq 0$$

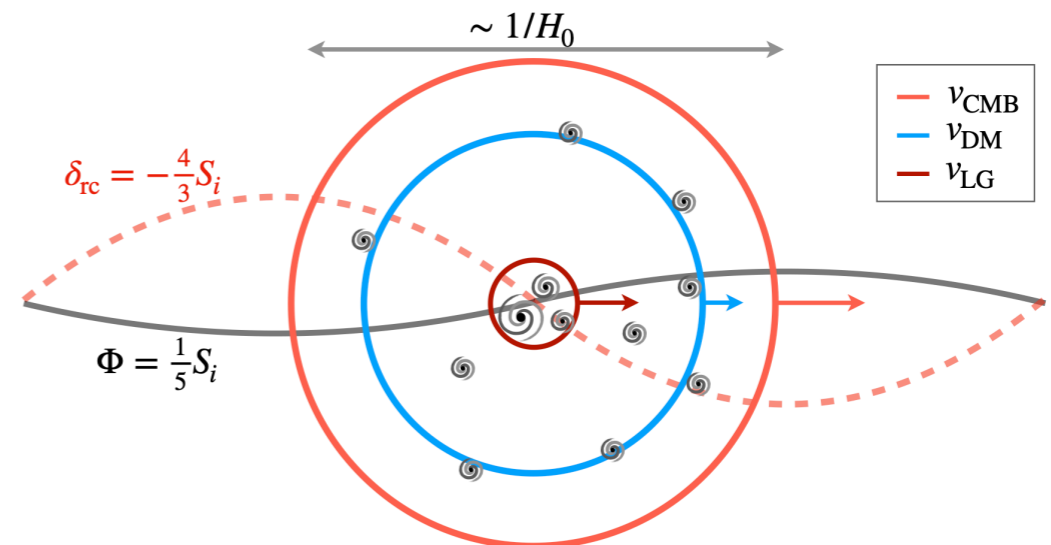


dark matter and radiation have different fluctuations

$$S = \frac{3}{4} \frac{\delta\rho_r}{\rho_r} - \frac{\delta\rho_m}{\rho_m}$$

Single field inflation only generates adiabatic perturbation

WIMP dark matter can not give entropy perturbation



One solution to the cosmic dipole problem

CMB dipole

$$D_1^{\text{CMB}} = (1.23357 \pm 0.00036) \times 10^{-3}$$

$$n_i v_o^i = 369.82 \pm 0.11 \text{ km/s}$$

Galaxy number count dipole

$$d_{\mathcal{N}} = (15.54 \pm 1.7) \times 10^{-3}$$

$$n_i v_o^i = (2.66 \pm 0.29) \times 10^{-3} \Rightarrow 797 \pm 87 \text{ km/s}$$

If there is **intrinsic dipole** in CMB, it cancels part of kinematic dipole

$$d^{\text{CMB}} = d_{\text{kin}}^{\text{CMB}} + D_1^{\text{CMB}} = 1.23357 \times 10^{-3}$$

$D_1^{\text{CMB}} > 8 \times 10^{-4}$ to explain the cosmic dipole problem

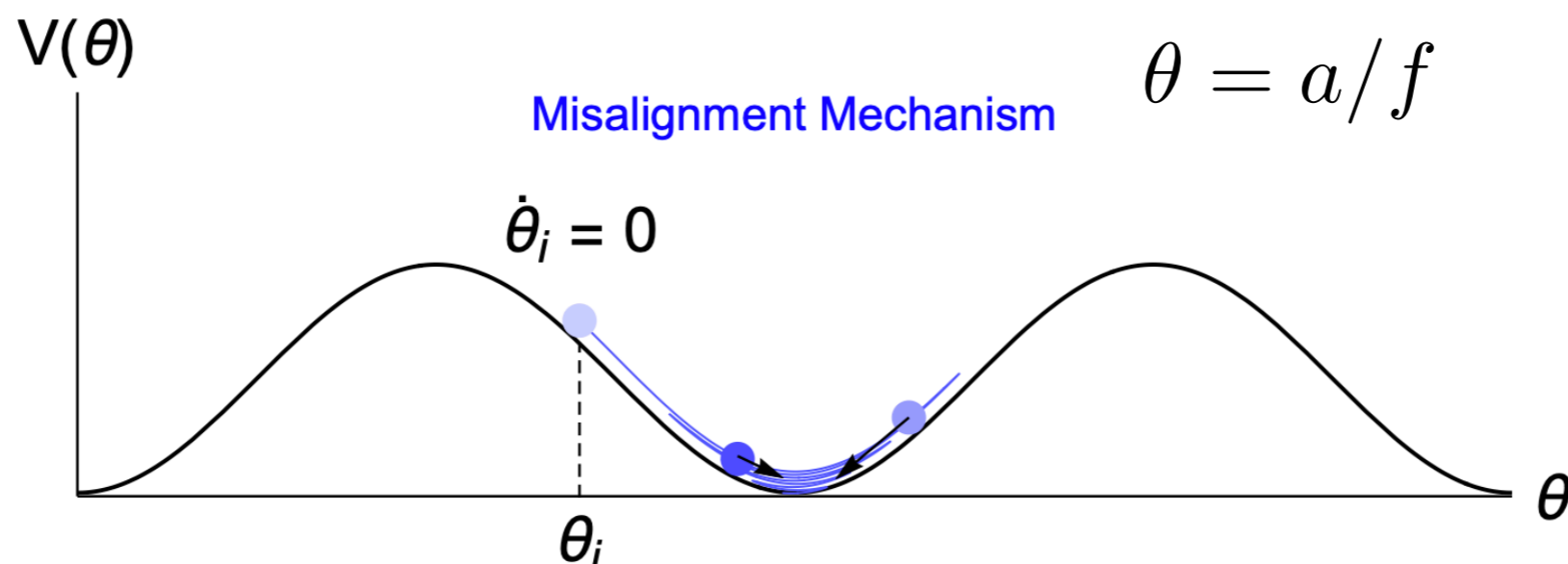
What is the origin of the isocurvature/entropy mode?

WIMP: thermalized with normal matter, no isocurvature

Axion dark matter is one of the candidate

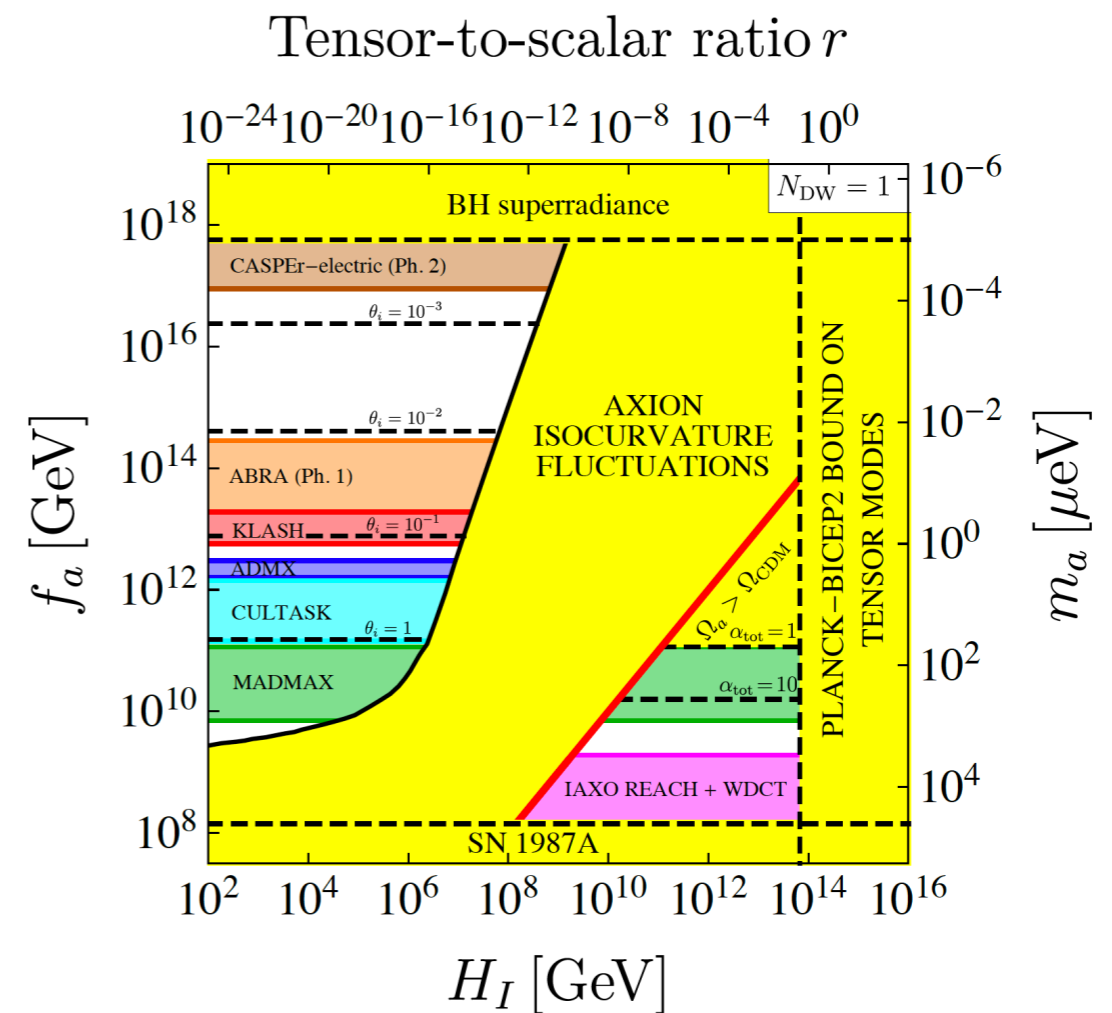
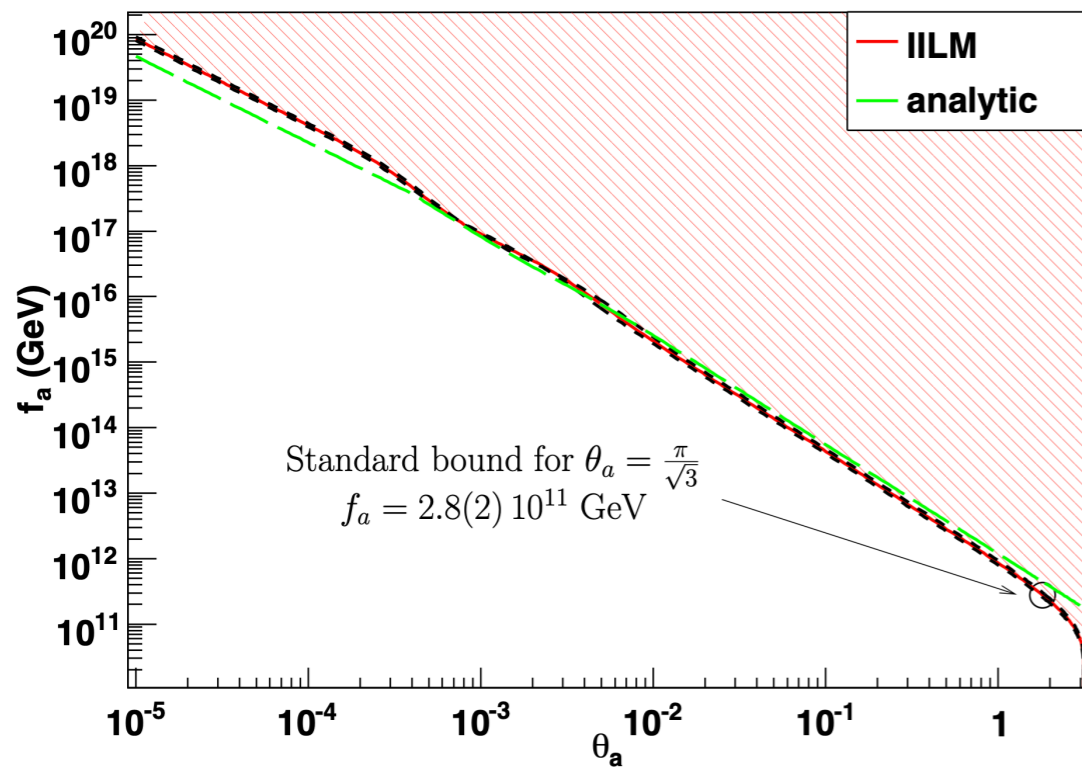
$$V(\Phi) = \lambda(\Phi\Phi^\dagger - f^2/2)^2 \quad \Phi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\varphi \exp(i\frac{a}{f})$$

$$\rho = \frac{1}{2}m_a^2 f^2 \theta_0^2 \quad V = \Lambda^4(1 - \cos \frac{a}{f})$$



What is the origin of the isocurvature mode?

For theta around $O(0.1-1)$ and axion be the dark matter $f_a \sim 10^{11-14}$ GeV



The landscape of QCD axion models, L. Luzio, M. Giannotti, E. Nardi, L. Visinelli

During inflation

$$\delta a = \frac{H}{2\pi} \longrightarrow \delta\theta = \frac{H}{2\pi\varphi}$$

$$\rho = \frac{1}{2}m_a^2 f^2 \theta_0^2 \quad \delta\rho/\rho = \frac{H}{\pi\varphi\theta_0}$$

Limit on the large isocurvature from CMB for theta O(1)

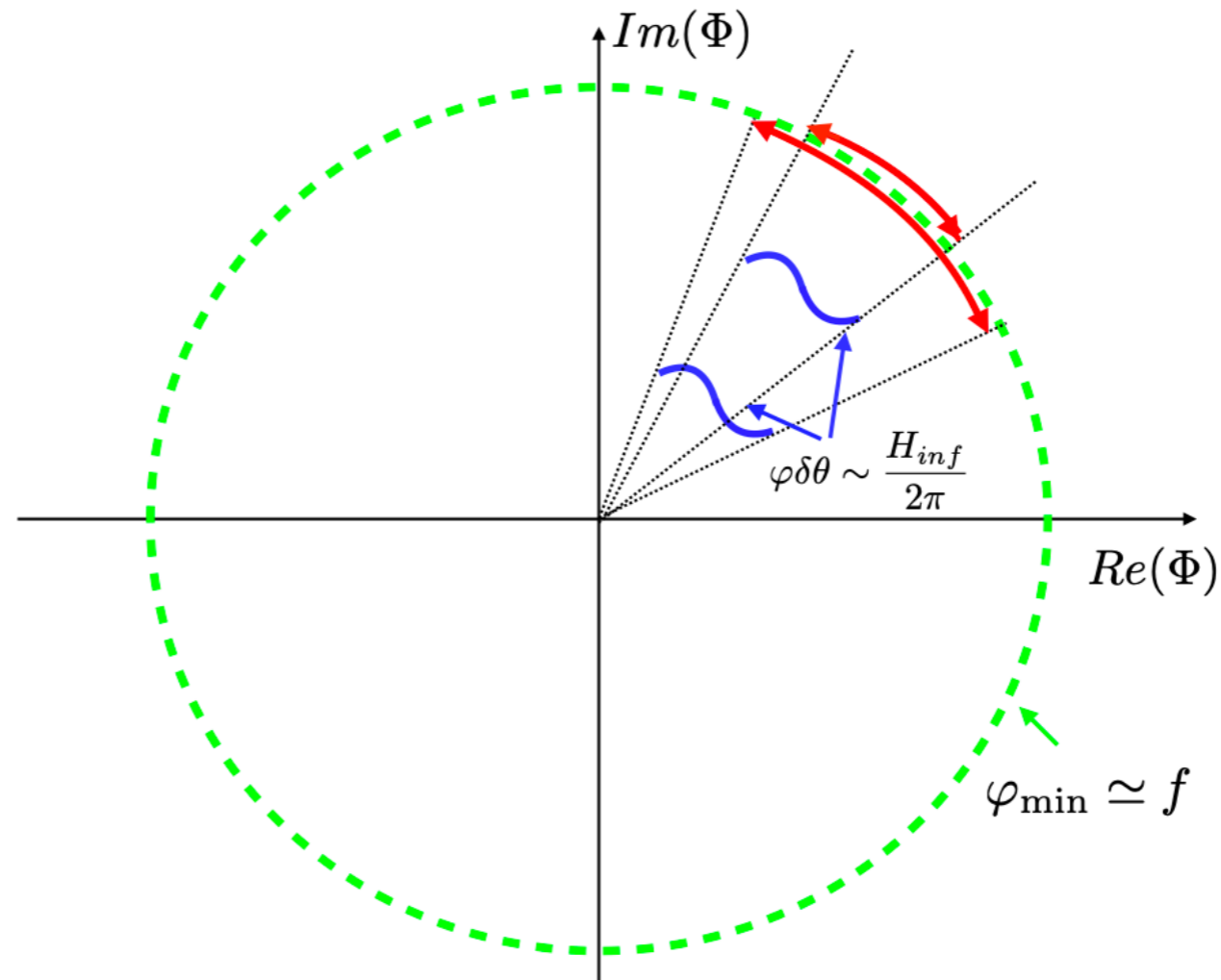
$$\frac{H^2}{\pi^2 f_a^2} < 10^{-10} \quad H/f_a < 10^{-5}$$

It is too small to explain the dipole problem by axion

Axion dark matter

If the radial mode vary in the early universe(during inflation)

$$\mathcal{P}_S^{1/2} = \frac{H_{inf}}{\pi\varphi(k)\theta}$$

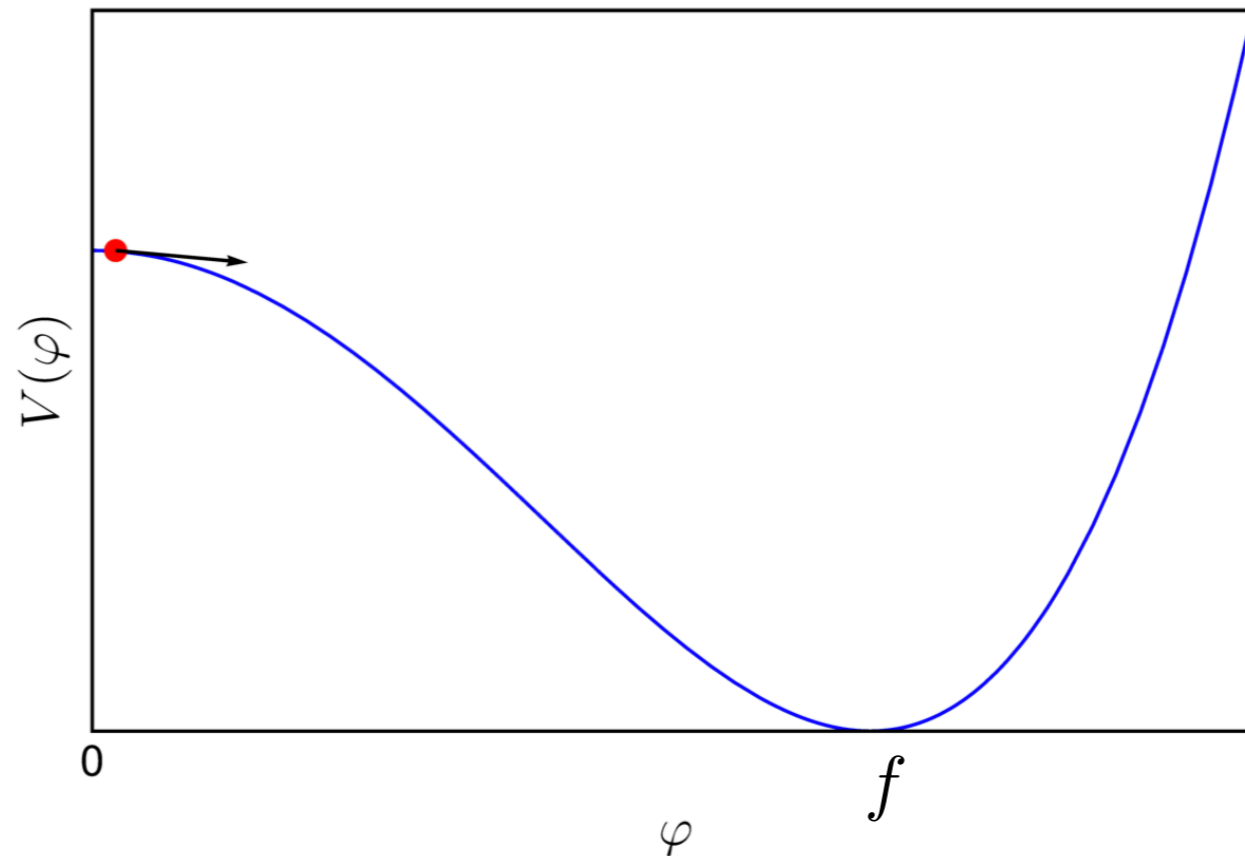


φ from a small value around H to a large value f

Potential

$$V(\Phi) = \lambda(\Phi\Phi^\dagger - f^2/2)^2$$

$$\Phi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\varphi \exp(i\frac{a}{f})$$



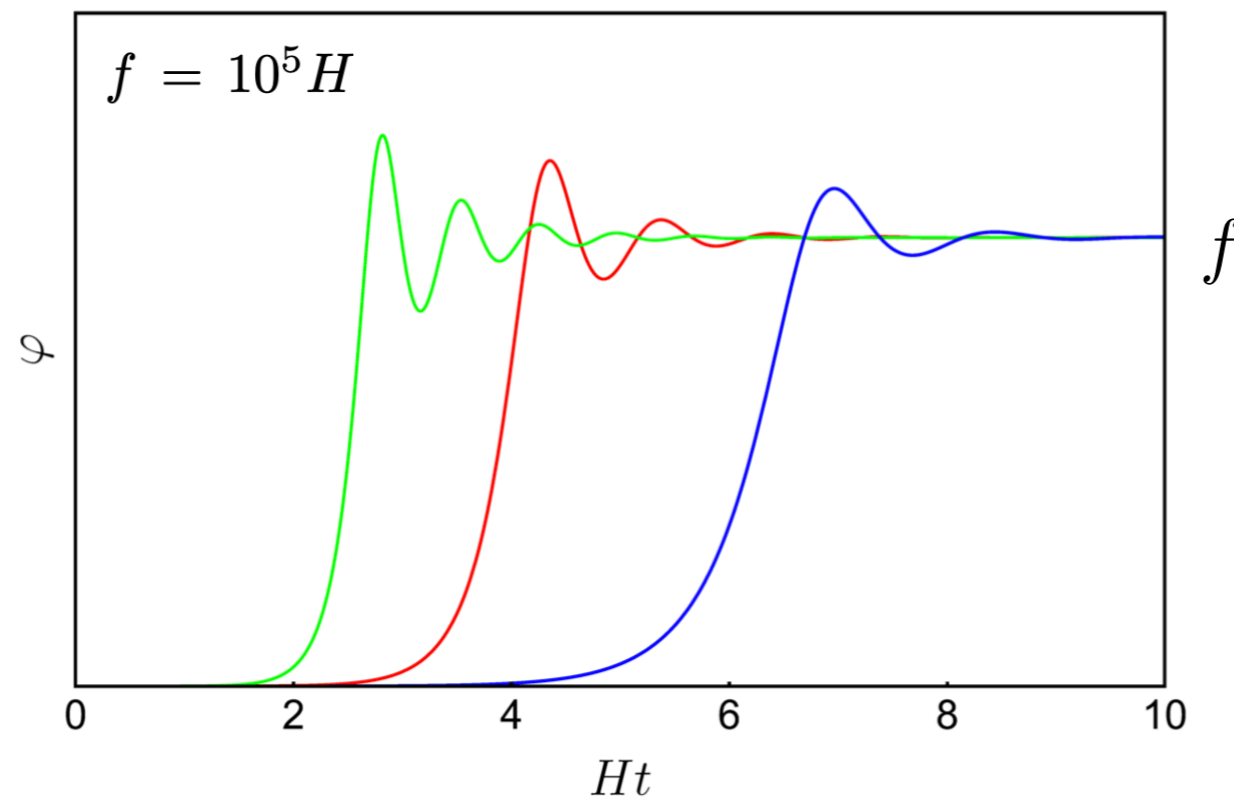
$$\delta\rho/\rho = \frac{H}{\pi\varphi}$$

initial phi should around H

A model of large isocurvature

$$\ddot{\varphi} + 3H\dot{\varphi} + V'(\varphi) = 0$$

$$\lambda = 10^{-9}, 2 \times 10^{-9}, 4 \times 10^{-9}$$



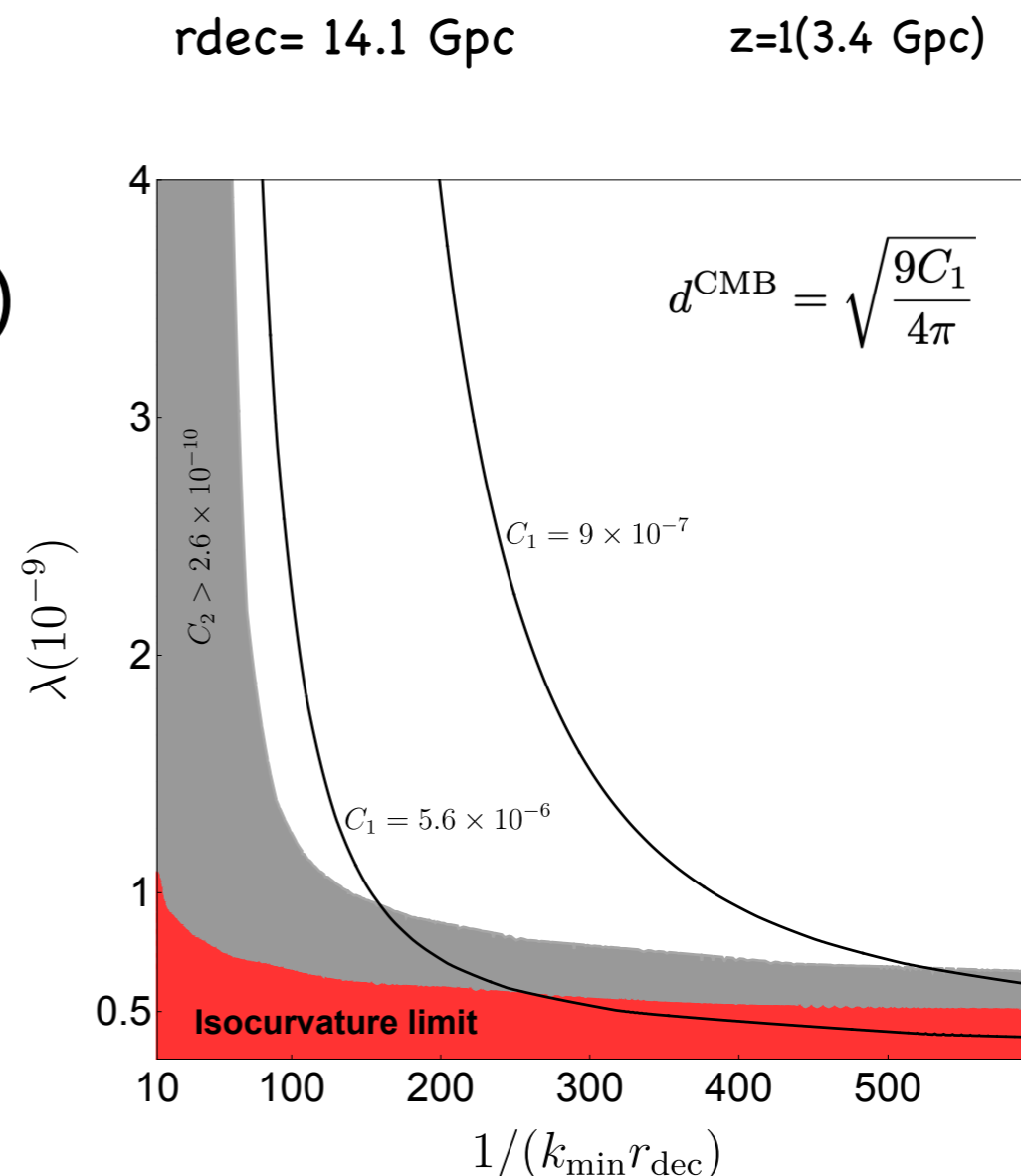
Small lambda, longer stay at small value

Axion model to explain dipole problem

Only two parameters

(1) When to start?(super horizon size)

(2) How long it takes?(lambda)



$$V(\Phi) = \lambda(\Phi\Phi^\dagger - f^2/2)^2 \quad 7 \times 10^{-10} < \lambda < 6.6 \times 10^{-5}$$

Axion model to explain dipole problem

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A Test of the Cosmological Principle with Quasars

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Request to give a webinar over zoom on your recent work 2211.06912

Rameez 发送给 韩成成

Dear Prof Chengcheng Han

Your recent paper on "QCD axion dark matter and the cosmic dipole anomaly" is very interesting. I would be very grateful if you could spare some time to tell us about it over a zoom webinar.

- Recently a cosmic dipole problem is reported
- QCD axion dark matter provides an explanation
- The dipole may point the first evidence of axion

Thanks!

The real reason, though, for our adherence here to the Cosmological Principle is not that it is surely correct, but rather, that it allows us to make use of the extremely limited data provided to cosmology by observational astronomy. If we make any weaker assumptions, as in the anisotropic or hierarchical models, then the metric would contain so many undetermined functions (whether or not we use the field equations) that the data would be hopelessly inadequate to determine the metric. On the other hand, by adopting the rather restrictive mathematical framework described in this chapter, we have a real chance of confronting theory with observation. If the data will not fit into this framework, we shall be able to conclude that either the Cosmological Principle or the Principle of Equivalence is wrong. Nothing could be more interesting.

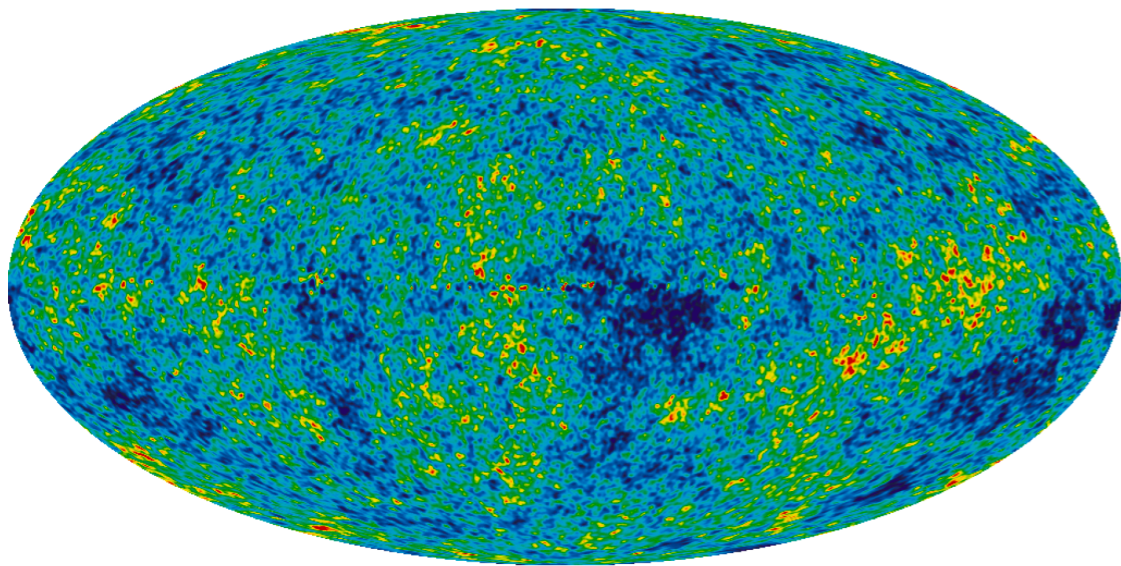
Steven Weinberg, Gravitation and Cosmology (1972)

Rapid expansion of the universe in the early time

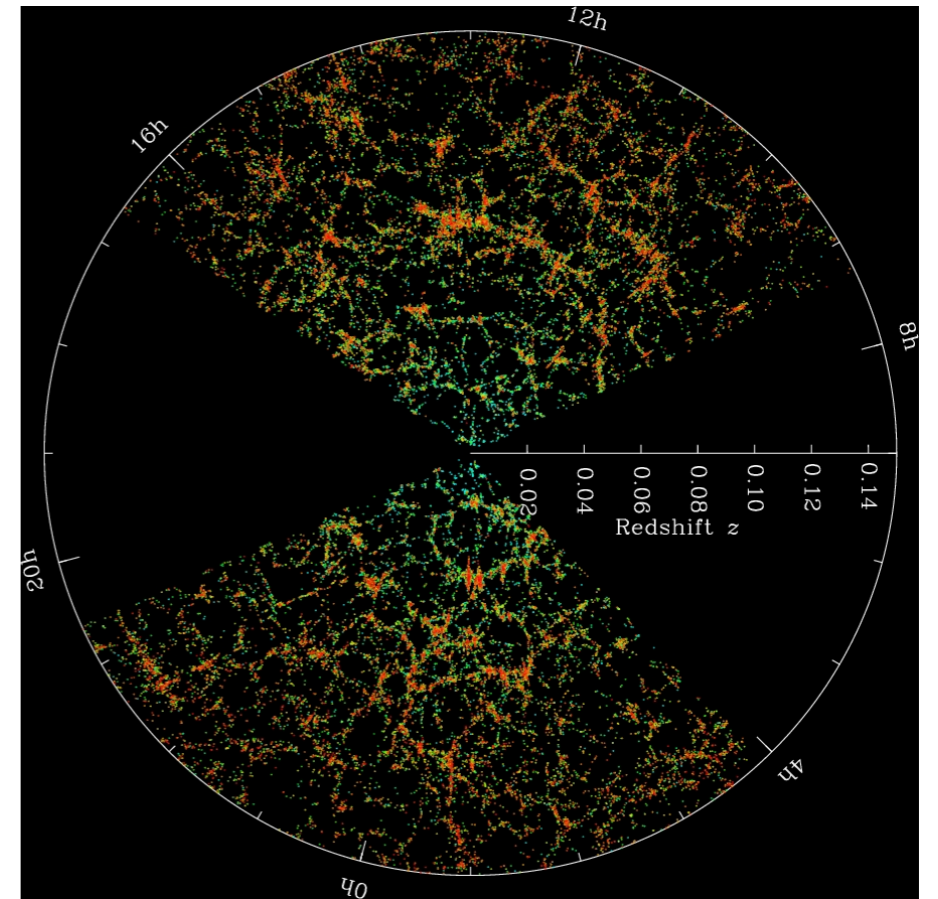
- Flatness problem
- Horizon problem
- Monopole problem?
- Seeding the primordial anisotropies in CMB

Inflation

Generating quantum fluctuations(anisotropies in CMB)



$$\frac{\delta T}{T} \sim 10^{-5}$$



Such small fluctuations finally develops the large structure of our universe

Slow-roll inflation

Assume a scalar field, with equation of motion

$$\ddot{\phi} + 3H\dot{\phi} + \frac{\partial V}{\partial \phi} = 0$$

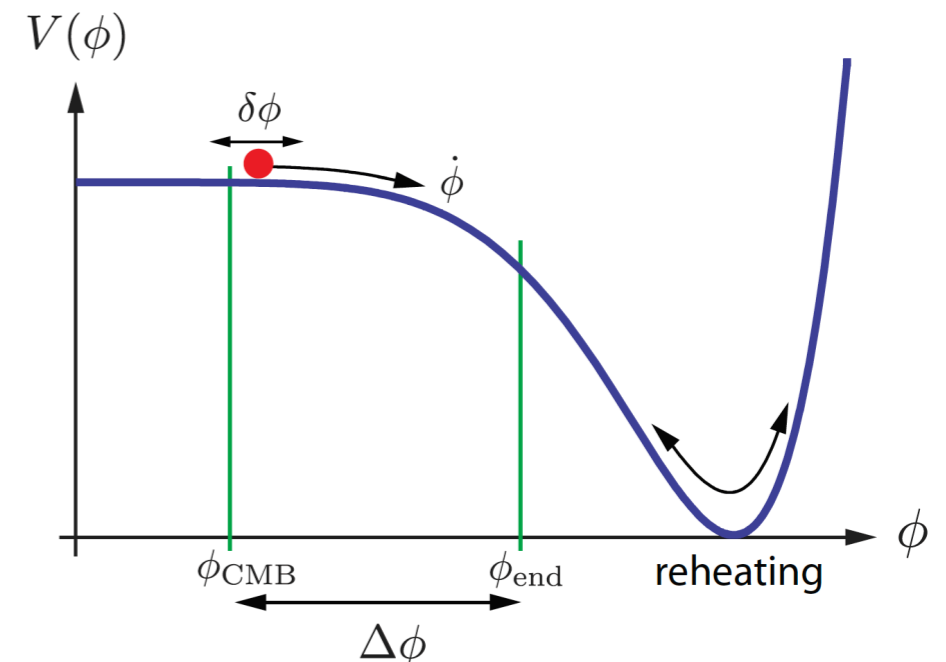
$$H^2 = \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{1}{2} \dot{\phi}^2 + V(\phi) \right)$$

Slow roll condition

$$\dot{\phi}^2 \ll V(\phi) \quad |\ddot{\phi}| \ll |3H\dot{\phi}|, |V_{,\phi}|$$

$$\epsilon_V(\phi) \equiv \frac{M_{\text{pl}}^2}{2} \left(\frac{V_{,\phi}}{V} \right)^2 \quad \eta_V(\phi) \equiv M_{\text{pl}}^2 \frac{V_{,\phi\phi}}{V}$$

$$\epsilon_V, |\eta_V| \ll 1$$



$$H^2 \approx \frac{1}{3} V(\phi) \approx \text{const.}$$

$$\dot{\phi} \approx -\frac{V_{,\phi}}{3H},$$



$$a(t) \sim e^{Ht}$$

Daniel Baumann, TASI Lectures on Inflation

Slow-roll inflation

Power spectrum $\Delta_s^2(k) \equiv \frac{k^3}{2\pi^2} \langle \delta\phi(k)\delta\phi(k') \rangle$

$$\Delta_s^2(k) \approx \frac{1}{24\pi^2} \frac{V}{M_{\text{pl}}^4} \frac{1}{\epsilon_V} \Big|_{k=aH}$$

$$\Delta_t^2(k) \approx \frac{2}{3\pi^2} \frac{V}{M_{\text{pl}}^4} \Big|_{k=aH}$$

$$n_s - 1 \equiv \frac{d \ln \Delta_s^2}{d \ln k} = 2\eta_V - 6\epsilon_V$$

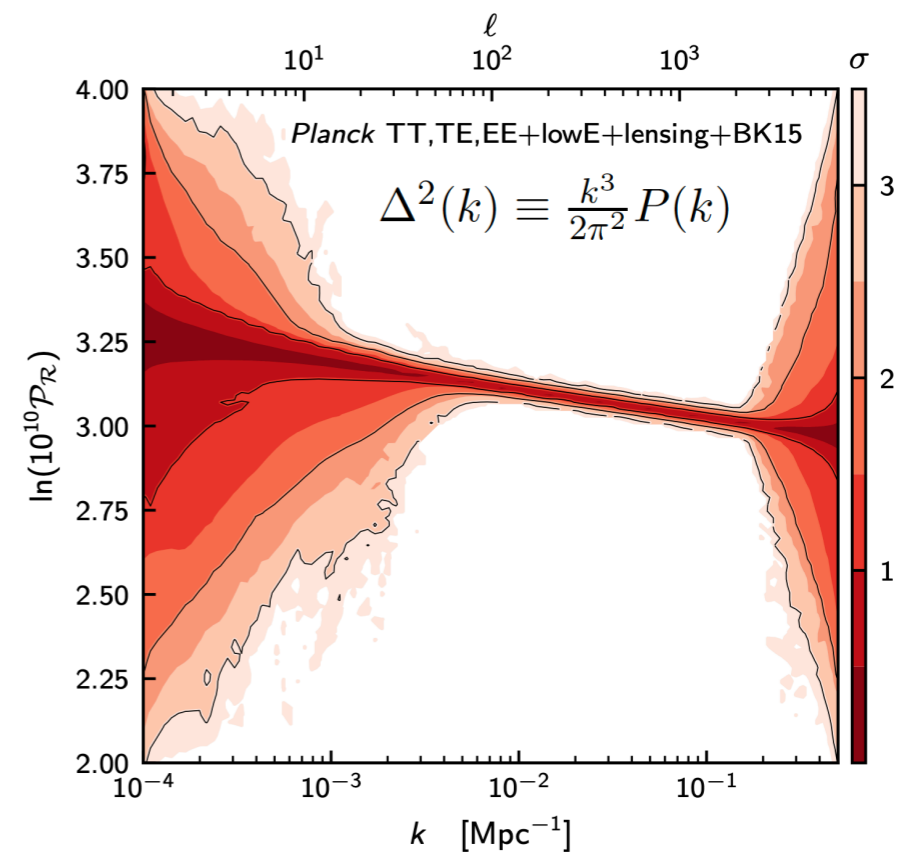
$$n_s \simeq 0.965$$

$n=1$ to be scale invariant

$$r \equiv \frac{\Delta_t^2}{\Delta_s^2} = 16\epsilon_V$$

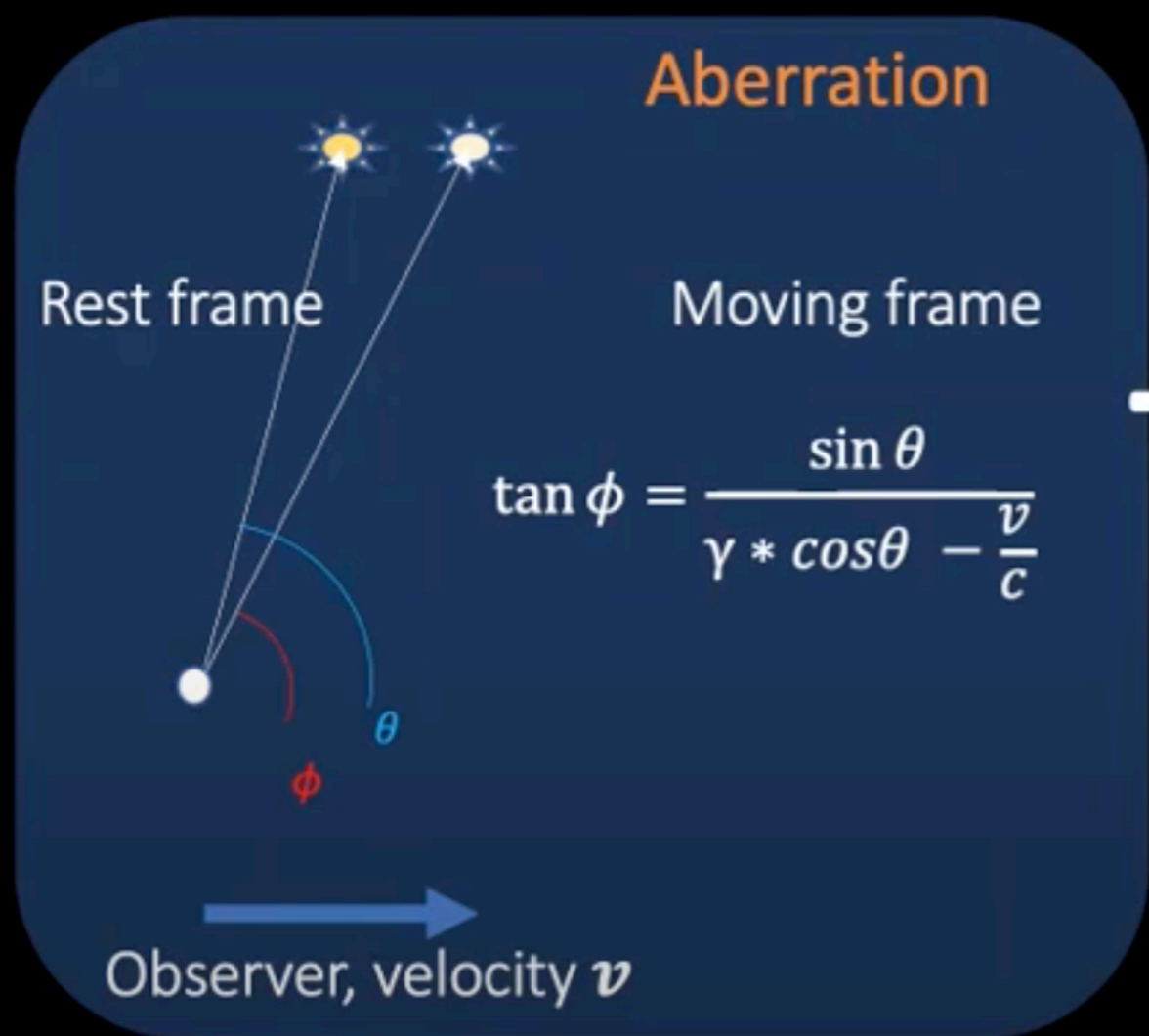
$$r \lesssim 0.056$$

tensor-scalar ratio

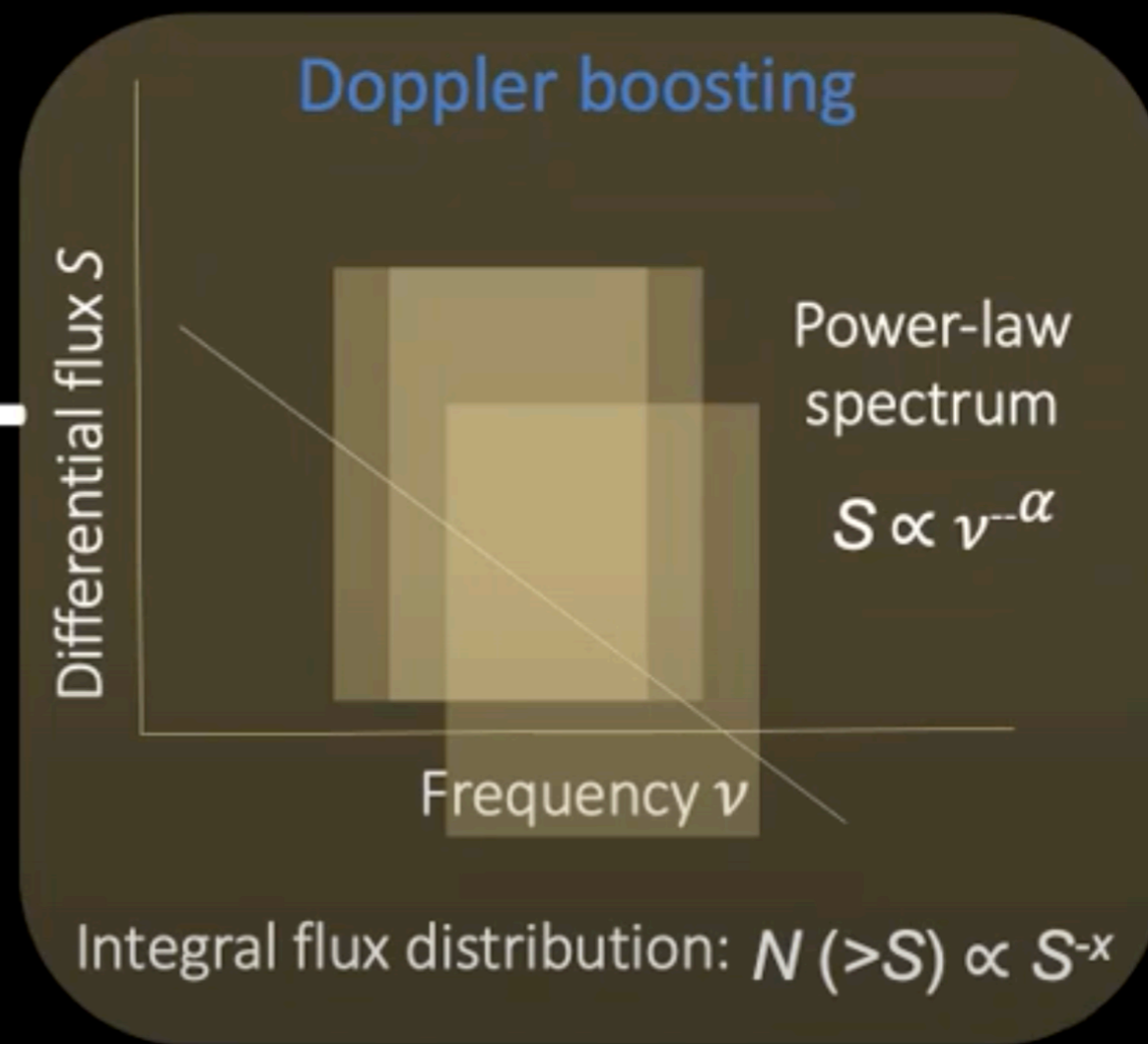


IF THE DIPOLE IN THE CMB IS DUE TO OUR MOTION WRT THE 'CMB FRAME'
 THEN WE SHOULD SEE *SIMILAR* DIPOLE IN THE DISTRIBUTION OF DISTANT SOURCES

$$\sigma(\theta)_{obs} = \sigma_{rest} \left[1 + \left[2 + x(1 + \alpha) \right] \frac{v}{c} \cos(\theta) \right]$$



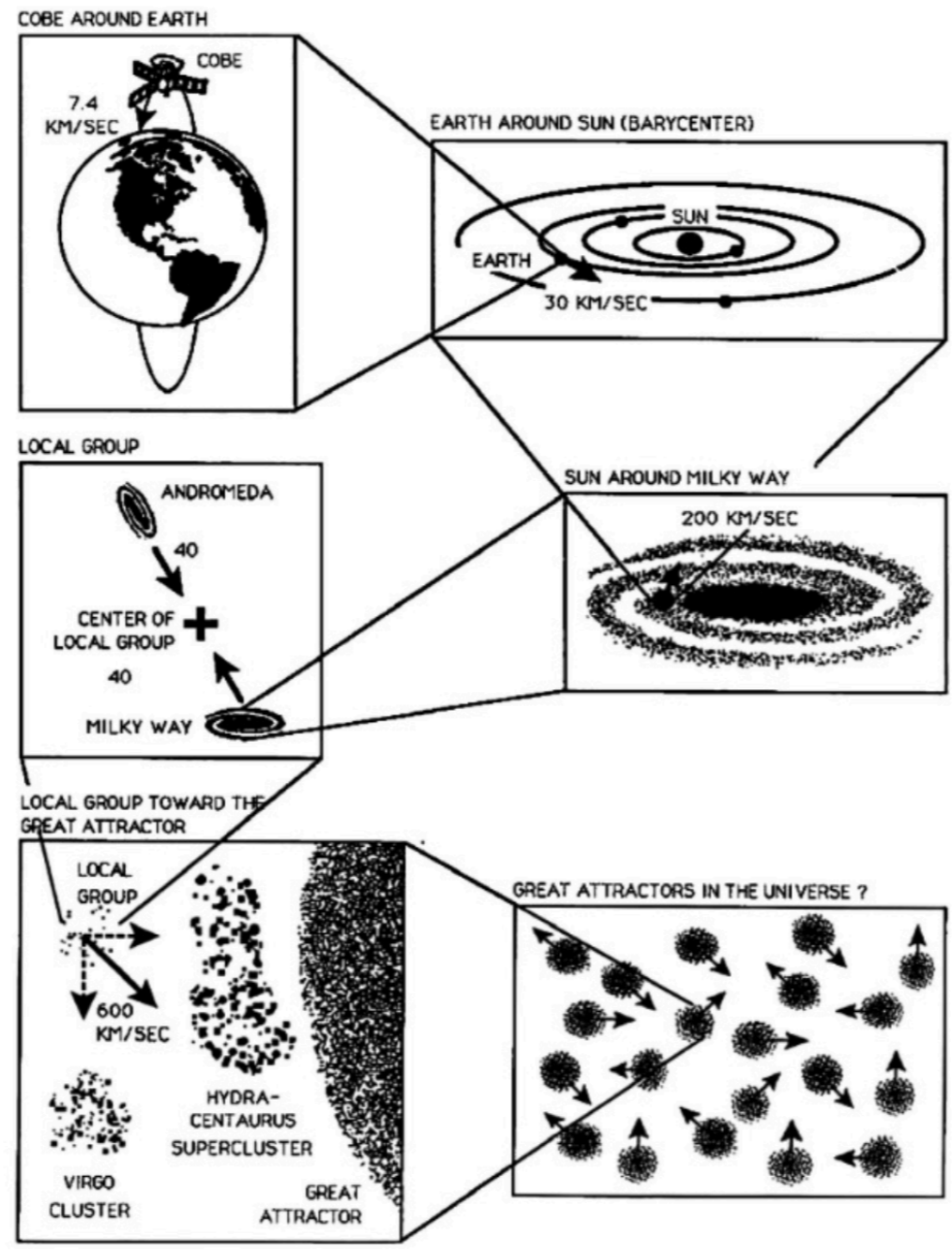
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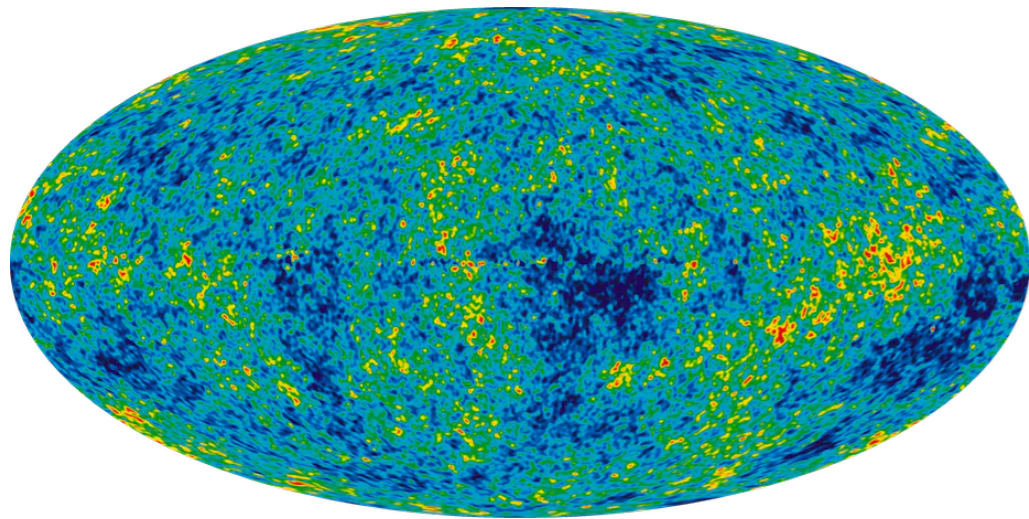
Flux-limited catalog \rightarrow *more* sources in direction of motion

Ellis & Baldwin,
 MNRAS 206:377,1984

VELOCITY COMPONENTS OF THE OBSERVED CMB DIPOLE



Statistics in CMB



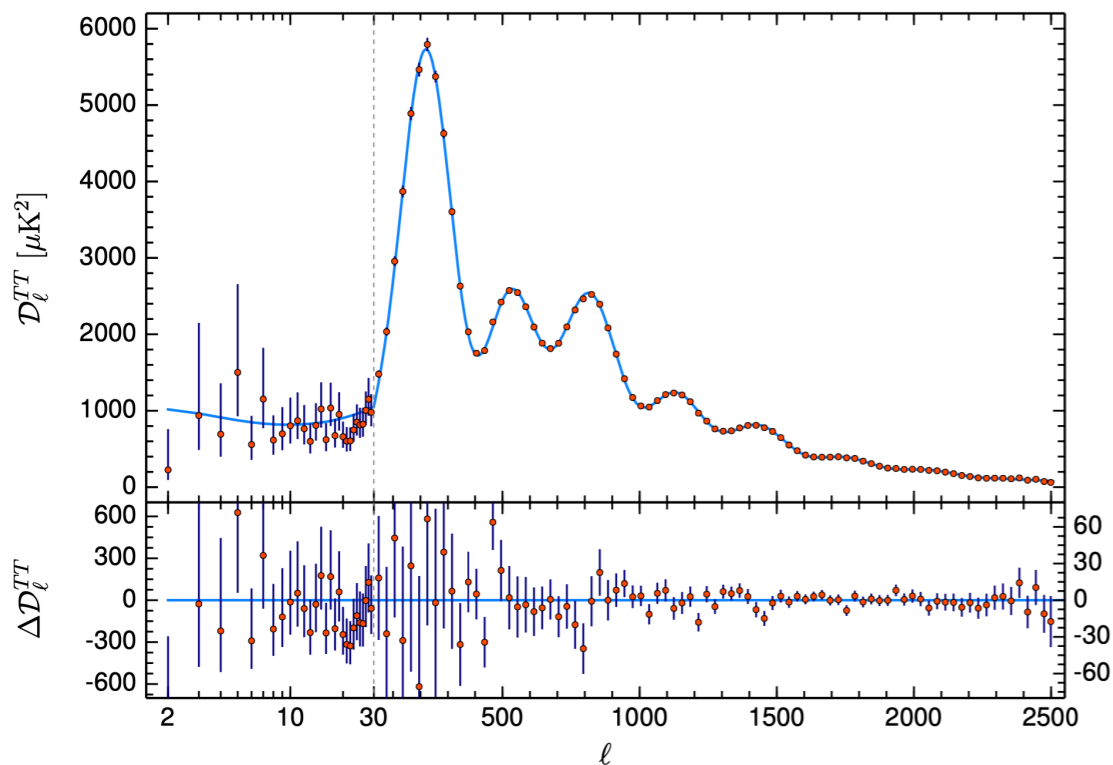
$$\frac{\Delta T}{T}(\hat{n}) = \sum_{l,m} a_{lm} Y_{lm}(\hat{n})$$

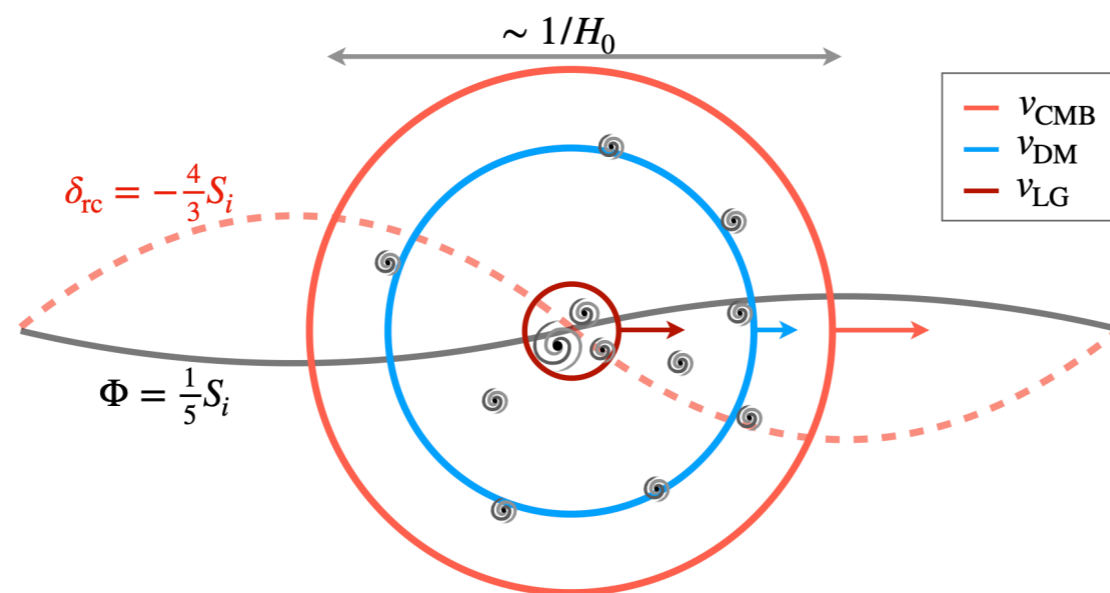
$$a_{lm} = \int d\Omega \frac{\Delta T}{T}(\hat{n}) Y_{lm}^*(\hat{n})$$

$$C_l = \frac{1}{2l+1} \sum_m \langle a_{lm}^* a_{lm} \rangle$$

$l=0,1,2,3\dots$ monopole, dipole, quadrupole...

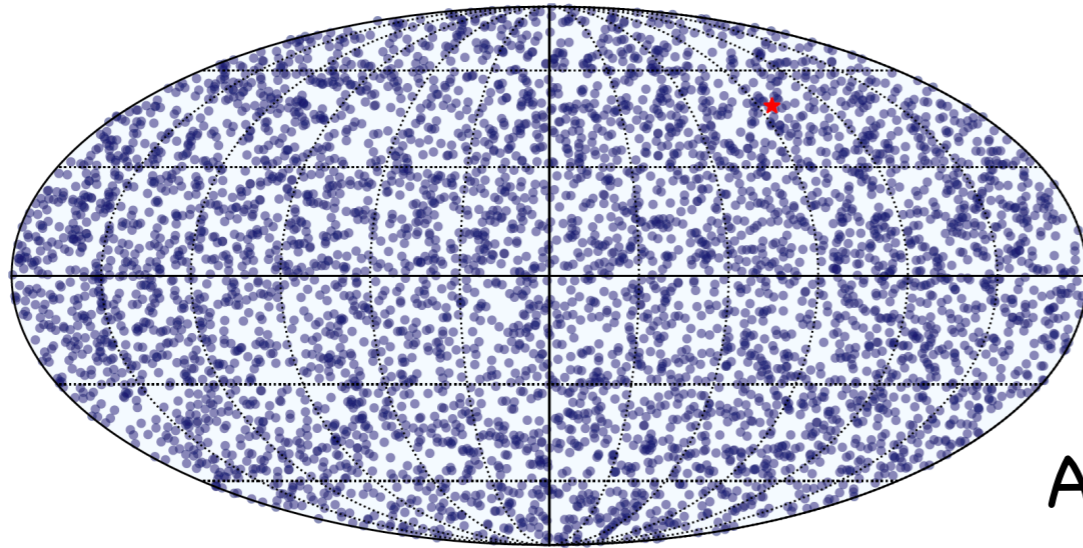
$$\mathcal{D}_l = \frac{l(l+1)}{2\pi} C_l$$





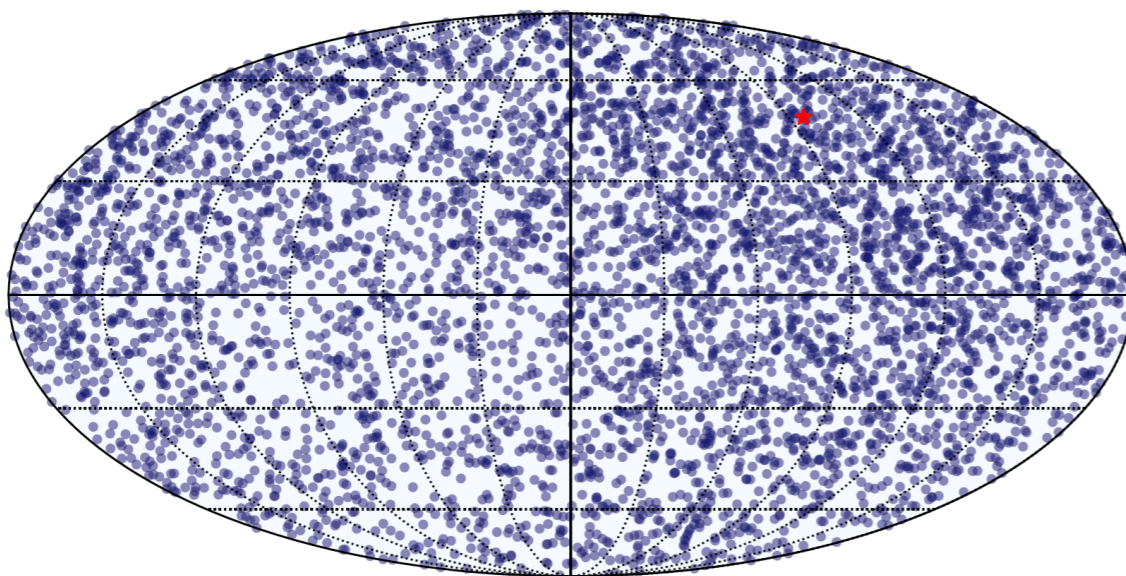
Aberration & Doppler boosting

Galaxies / quasars in CMB "rest frame"

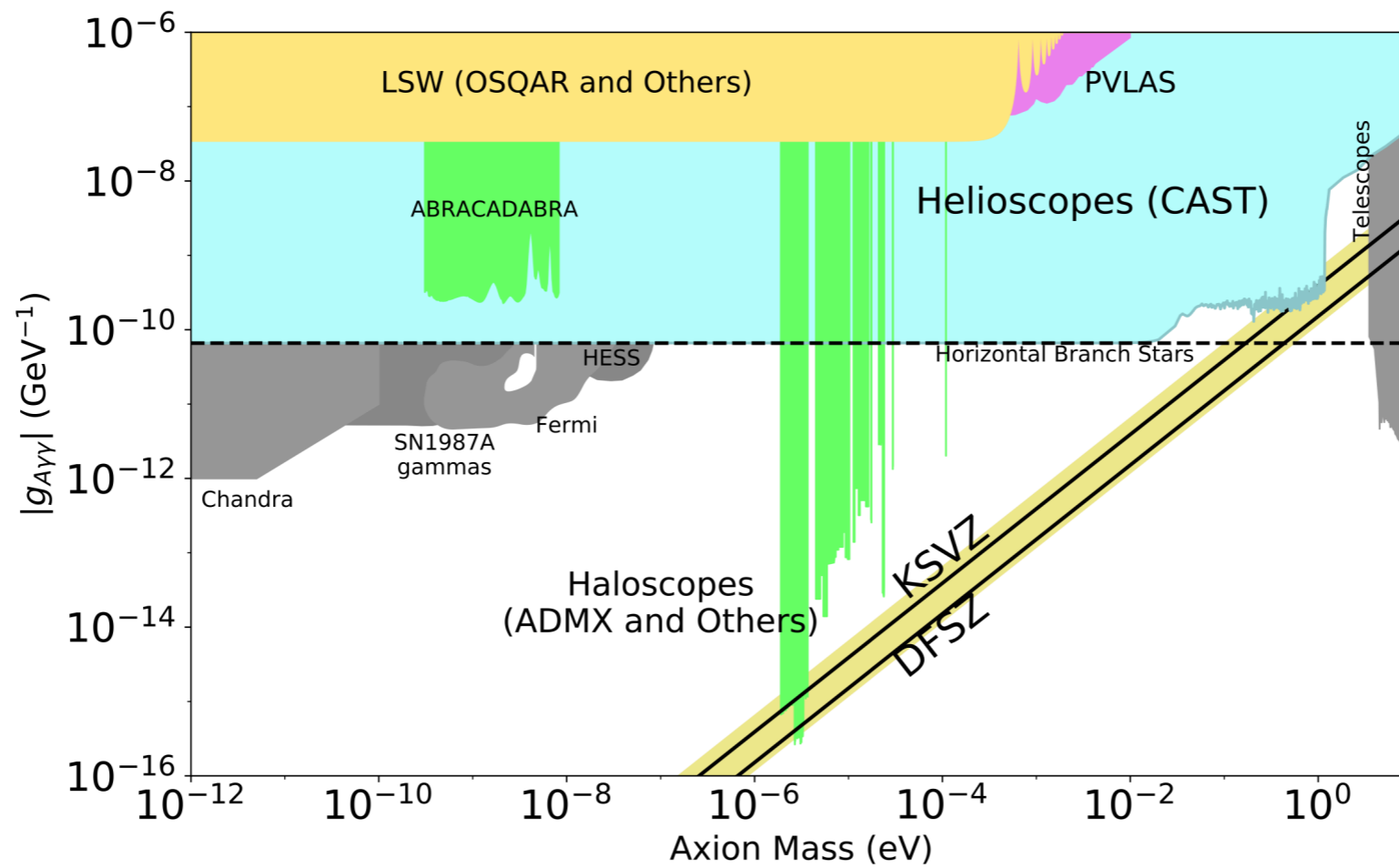


Aberration: object positions compressed in direction of motion

Doppler boosting: too-faint objects boosted into catalog flux limit



From Nathan Secrest



$$g_{A\gamma\gamma} = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi f_A} \left(\frac{E}{N} - 1.92(4) \right) \quad m_A = 5.691(51) \left(\frac{10^9 \text{ GeV}}{f_A} \right) \text{ meV}$$

One solution to the dipole problem

arXiv > astro-ph > arXiv:2207.01569

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Galaxy number-count dipole and superhorizon fluctuations JCAP 10 (2022) 019

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Initial conditions Size of mode q	Adiabatic discrete mode	Isocurvature discrete mode
Superhorizon ($q < \mathcal{H}_0$)	No CMB dipole* [41] No NC dipole* Cannot solve dipole tension	Intrinsic CMB dipole [41] No NC dipole* Might resolve dipole tension**
Slightly subhorizon ($\mathcal{H}_0 \lesssim q \lesssim \mathcal{H}_{\text{dec}}$)	Amplitude $\lesssim 8 \times 10^{-5}$ (CMB [79]) $\mathcal{O}(10^{-3})$ maximum NC dipole Cannot solve dipole tension	Amplitude $\lesssim 10\%$ of adiabatic [79] $\mathcal{O}(10^{-4})$ maximum NC dipole Cannot solve dipole tension
Subhorizon ($q \gtrsim \mathcal{H}_{\text{dec}}$)	Amplitude $\sim 5 \times 10^{-5}$ [79] Cannot solve dipole tension [20]	Amplitude $\lesssim 10\%$ of adiabatic [79] Cannot solve dipole tension

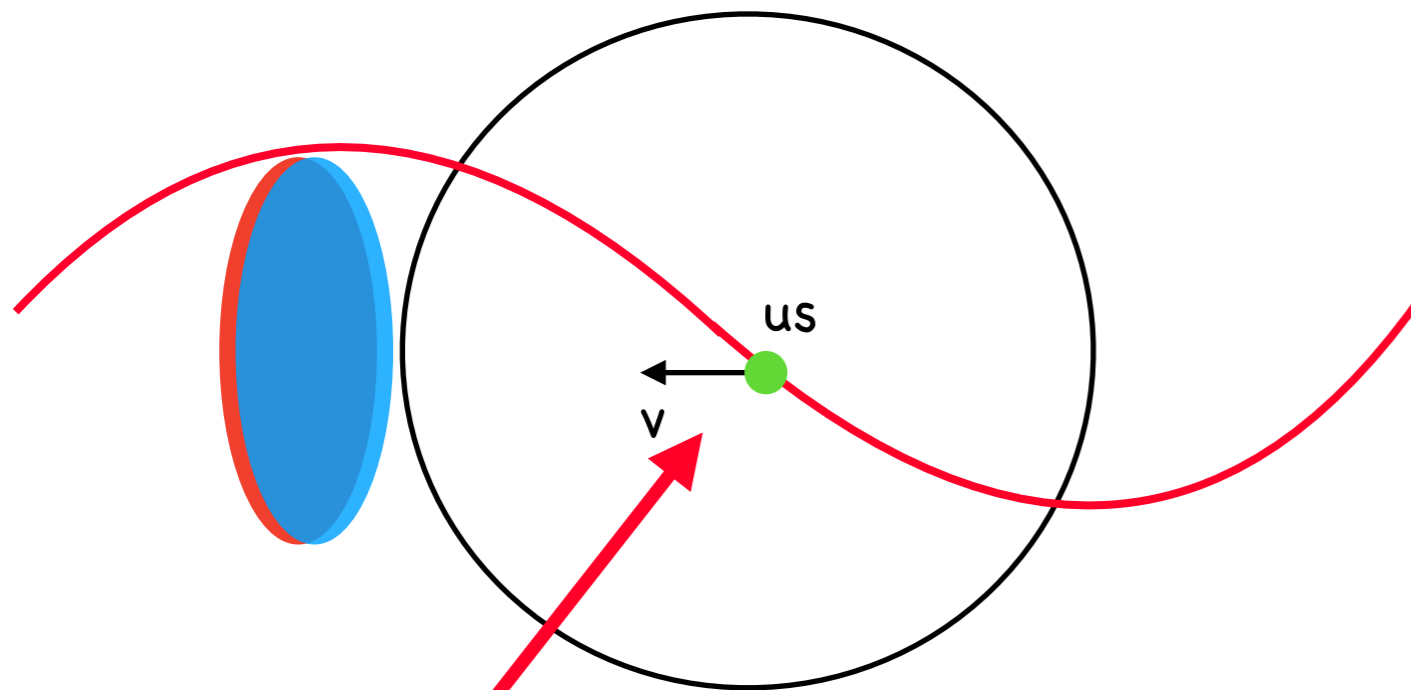
Considering a single mode of isocurvature to avoid multipole limit

The isocurvature mode should be large $\mathcal{O}(0.1-1)$

Perturbations at super horizon scale

Adiabatic perturbation

Our observed universe



CMB: $T < T_{\text{average}}$

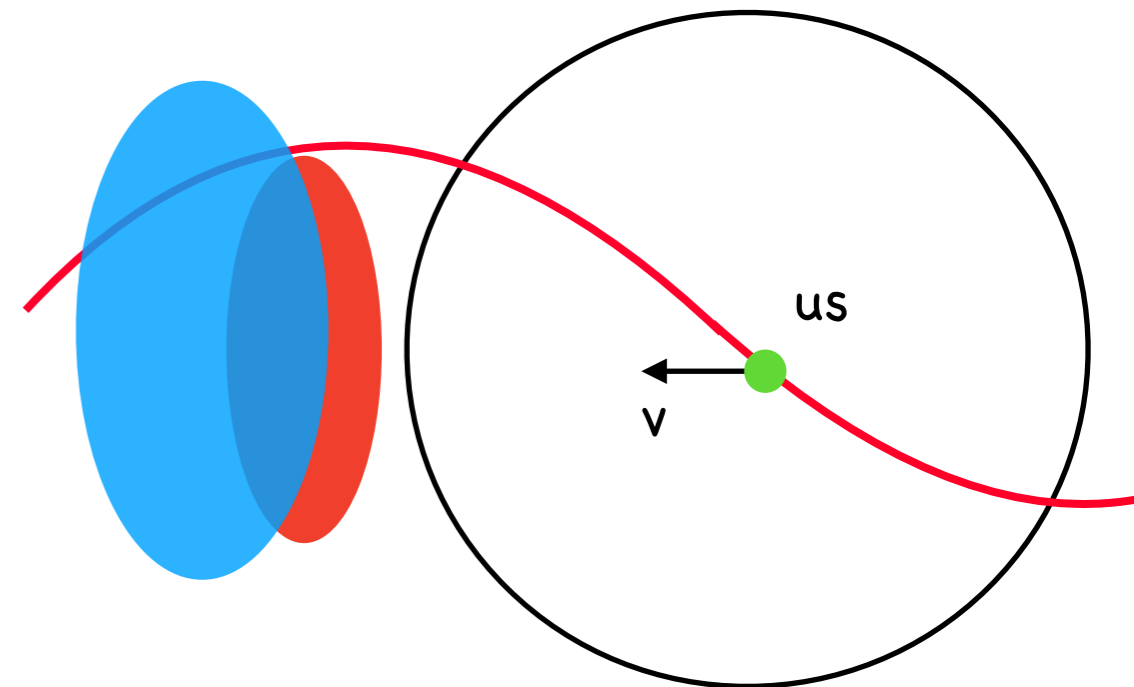
Pulling us, we see $T > T_{\text{average}}$

Two effect just cancel exactly!

Cancellation also happen for galaxy number count!

Entropy perturbation

Our observed universe



Can not cancel exactly in CMB

No effect on galaxy number count

Intrinsic dipole in CMB