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The cosmological model after Planck

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# Precision cosmology

$\Lambda$ CDM: The standard cosmological model

Just 6 numbers.....

describe the Universe composition and evolution

Homogenous background

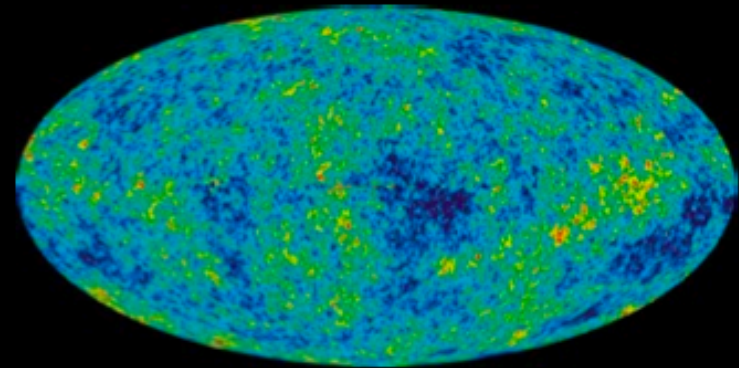


$\Omega_b, \Omega_c, \Omega_\Lambda, H_0, \tau$

- atoms 4%
- cold dark matter 23%
- dark energy 73%

$\Lambda?$  CDM?

Perturbations



$A_s, n_s, r$

- nearly scale-invariant
- adiabatic
- Gaussian

ORIGIN??

# Cosmology is special

We can't make experiments, only observations

We have to use the entire Universe as a detector:  
the detector is given, we can't tinker with it.

This has driven a massive  
experimental effort

- Observe as much as possible of the Universe.

# A mixed blessing

## The curse of cosmology

We only have one observable universe

We can only make observations (and only of the observable Universe)  
not experiments: we fit models (i.e. constrain numerical values of parameters) to  
the observations: (Almost) any statement is model dependent

*“Gastrophysics”*\* and non-linearities get in the way

....And the Blessing

We can observe all there is to see

\* *Not a typo, means complex astrophysics that is poorly understood/hard to model*

# ....And the Blessing

We can observe all there is to see



**And almost do**

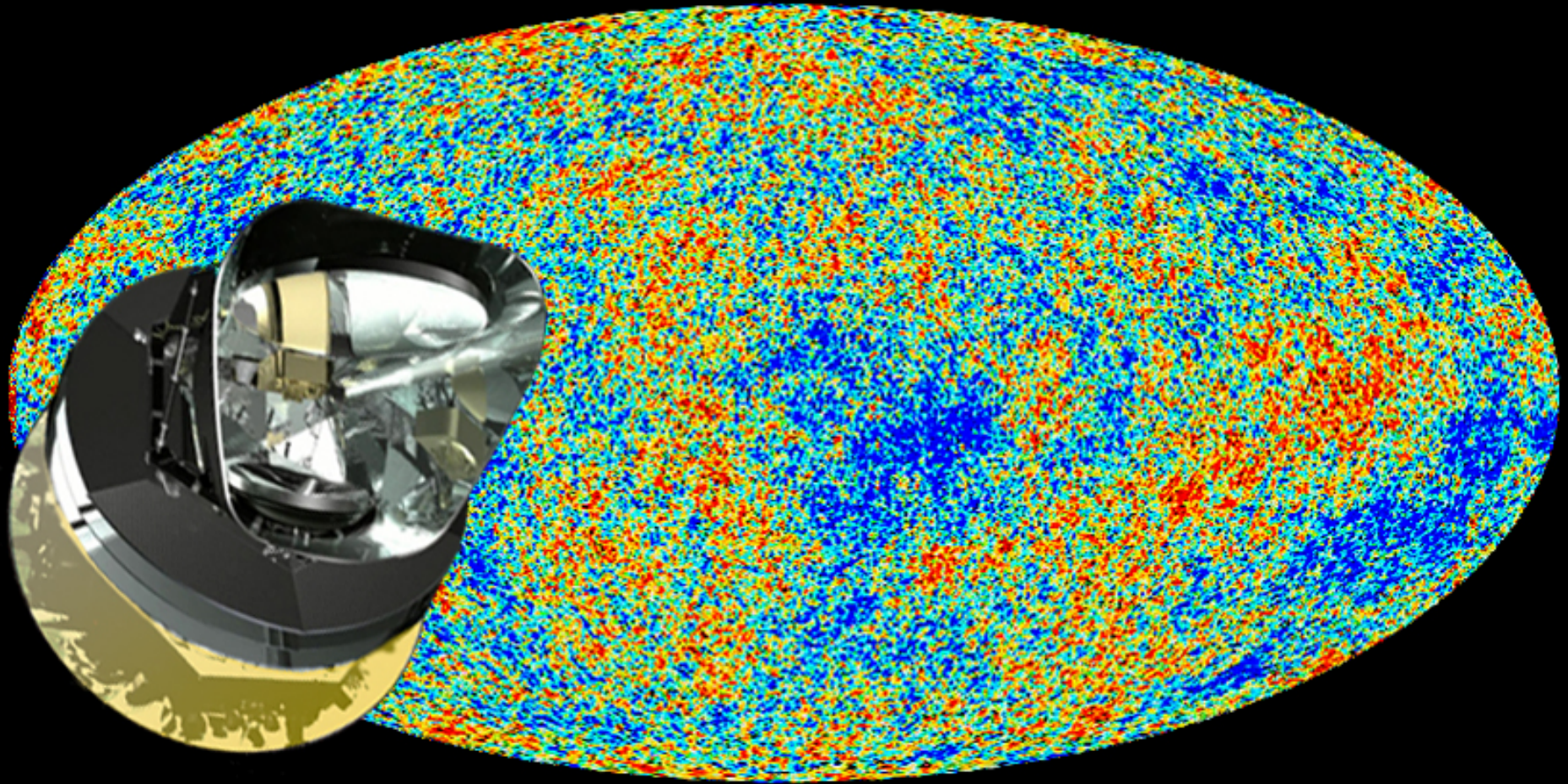
Ultimate survey

The background of the slide is a vast field of galaxies. In the upper left corner, there is a large, detailed spiral galaxy with a bright yellowish-white core and distinct blue and white spiral arms. Below and to the right of this galaxy is a dense, multi-colored field of numerous smaller galaxies, including elliptical, spiral, and irregular shapes, scattered across a dark cosmic background. The colors of these galaxies range from bright yellow and white to deep blues and purples.

The future is bright!

Ultimate surveys!

The future is here!



Planck 2015



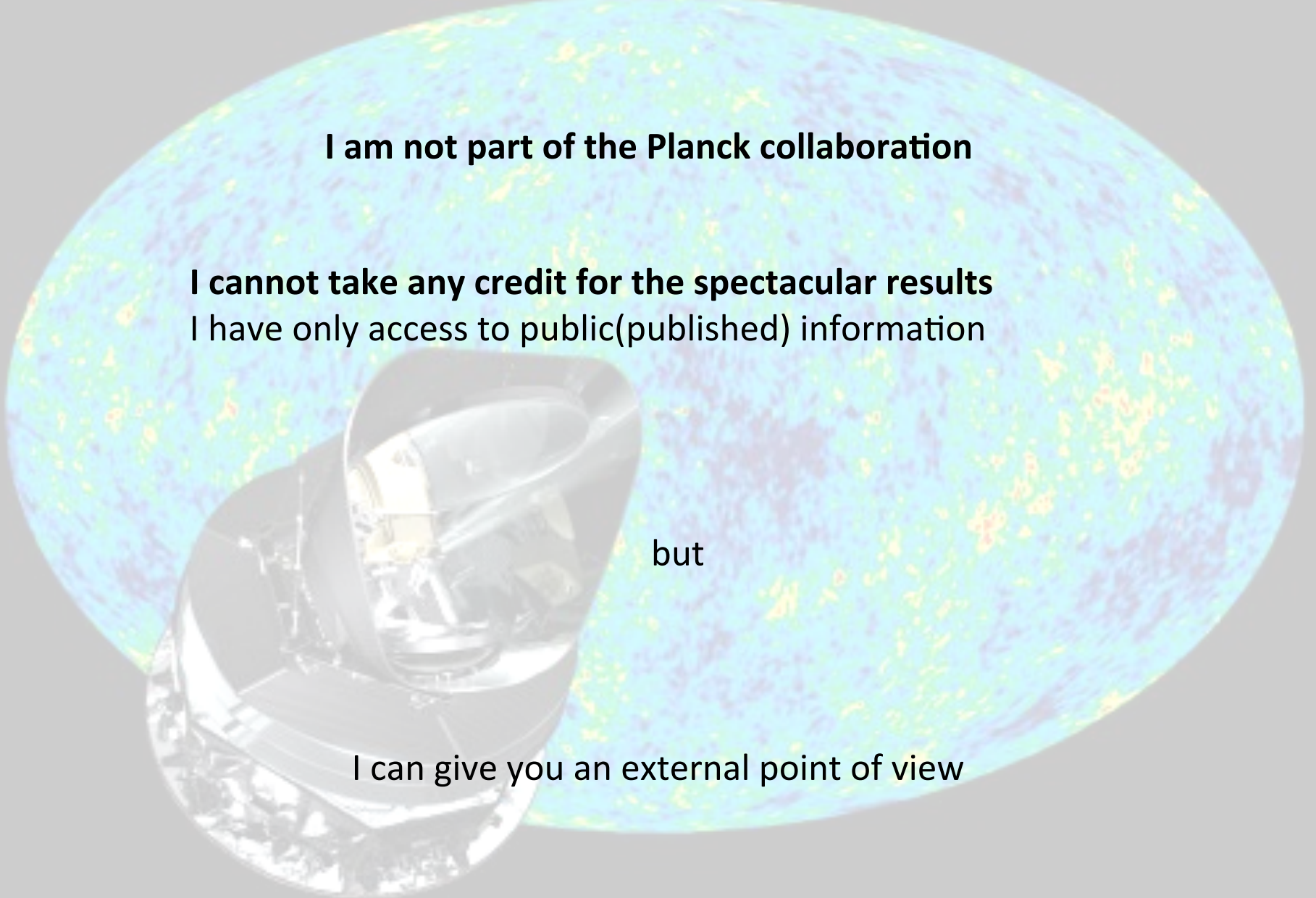
# DISCLAIMER

**I am not part of the Planck collaboration**

**I cannot take any credit for the spectacular results**  
I have only access to public(published) information

but

I can give you an external point of view



# Planck

ESA-NASA mission to map temperature and polarization of the CMB on the full sky

First major release in 2013

Second major release in 2015 in total >> 100 papers

I will do a massive compression of information

CMB: “The primordial fireball”, “the last scattering surface”

# Dependence on cosmological parameters

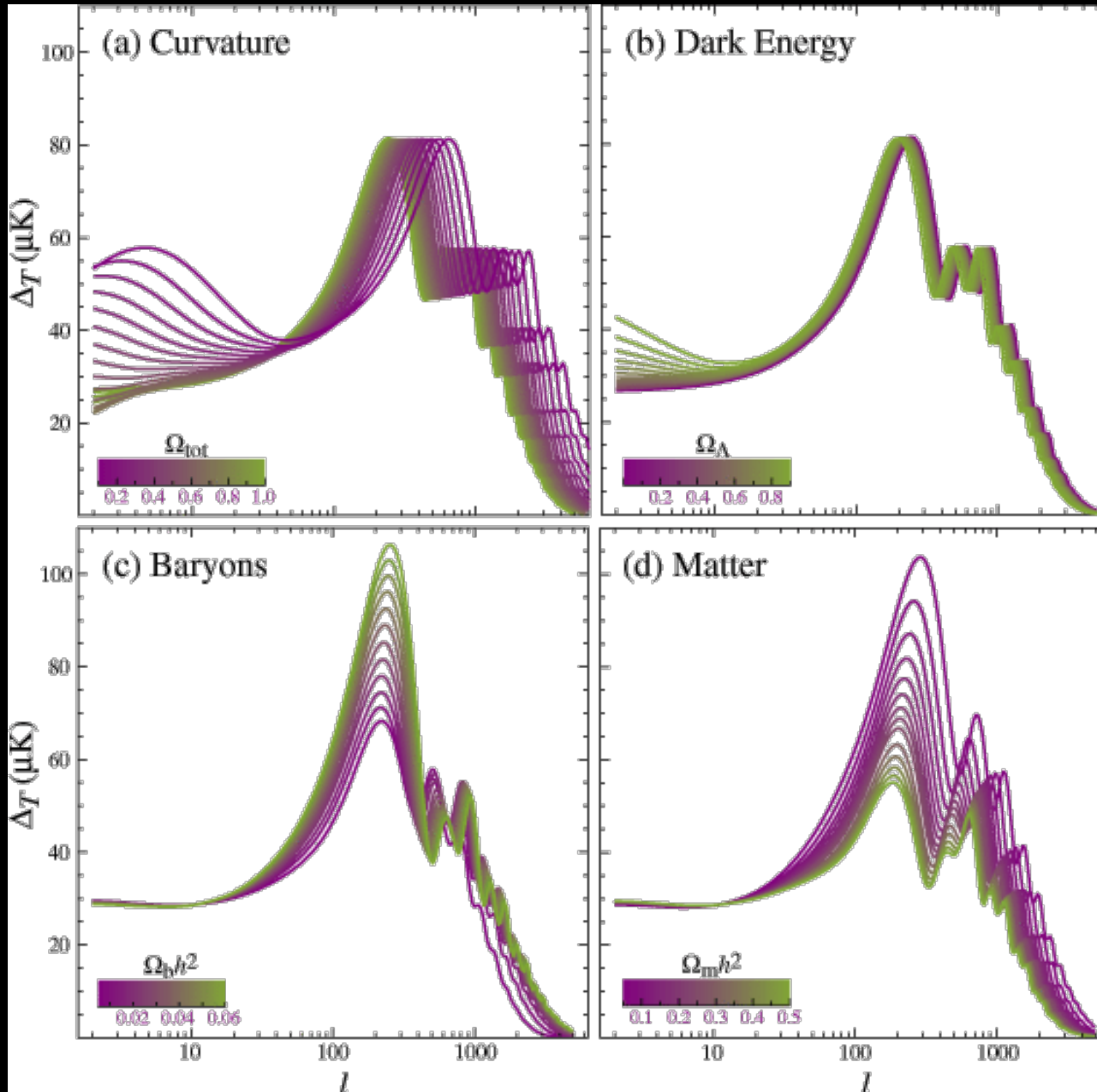


Fig. courtesy of W. Hu

# History of CMB temperature measurements

1965



Penzias and  
Wilson

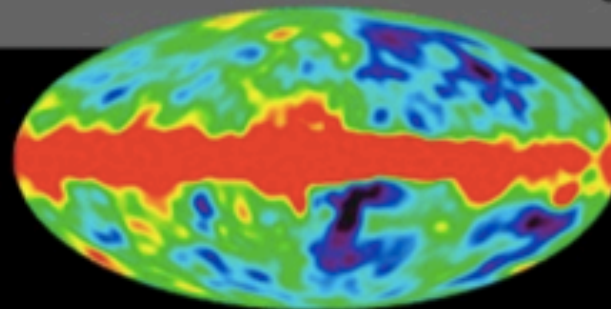
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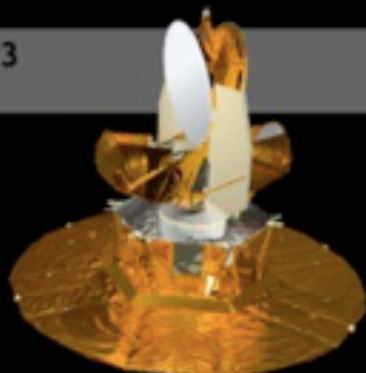
1992



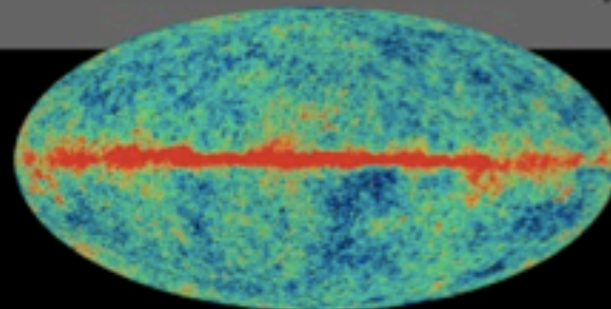
COBE



2003

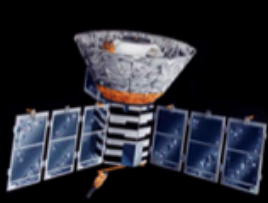


WMAP

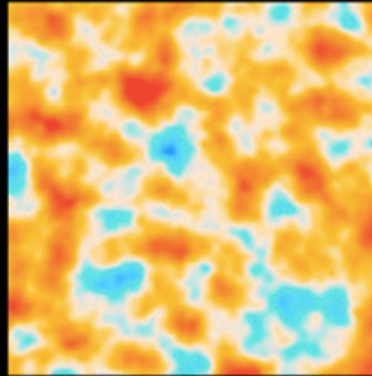
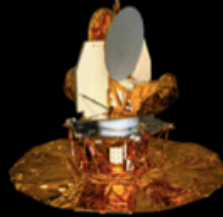


TOCO (1998) BOOMERANG (1998, 2003) MAXIMA (2000)  
ARCHEOPS (2002) CBI (2002) ACBAR (2002) VSA (2002)

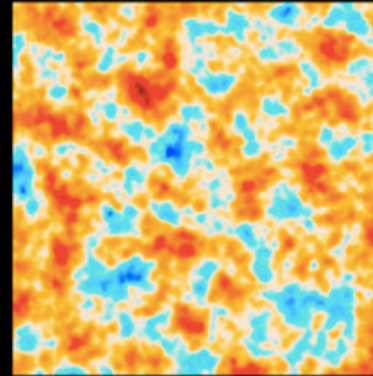
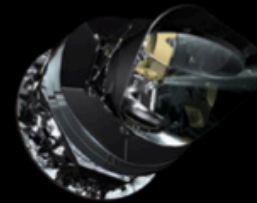
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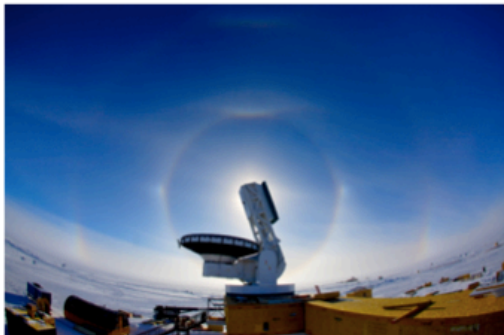
COBE



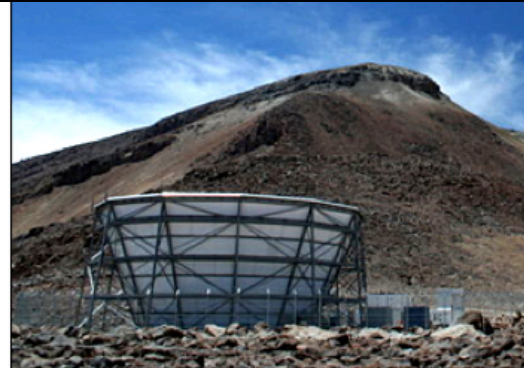
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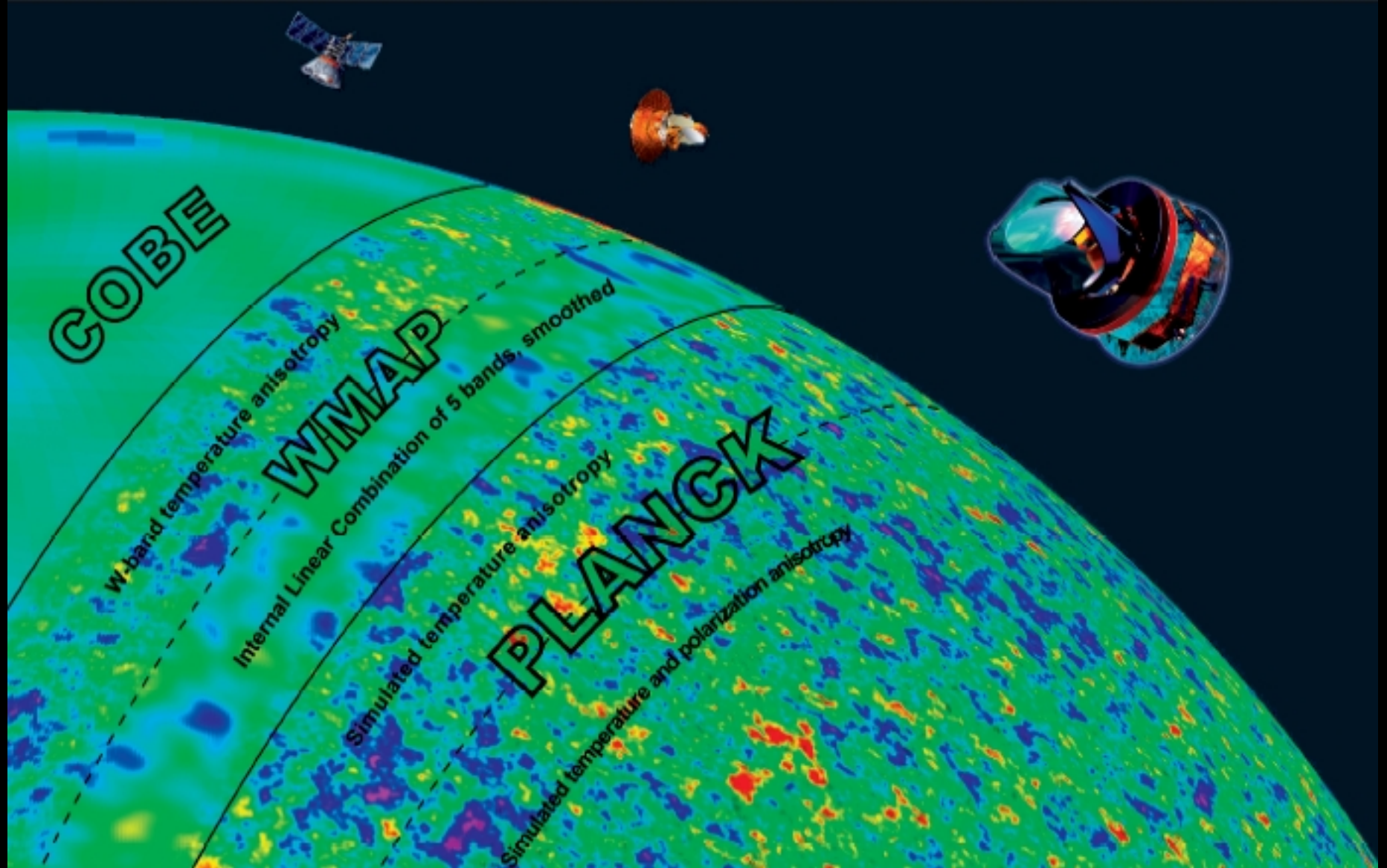
Planck



South Pole Telescope (SPT)



Atacama Cosmology Telescope (ACT)



**COBE**

W-band temperature anisotropy

**WMAP**

Internal Linear Combination of 5 bands, smoothed

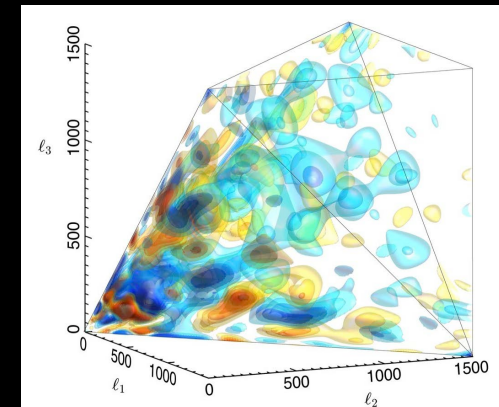
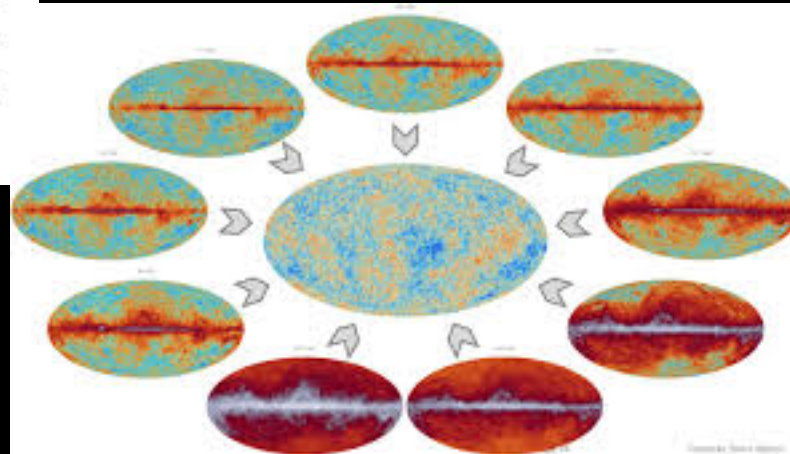
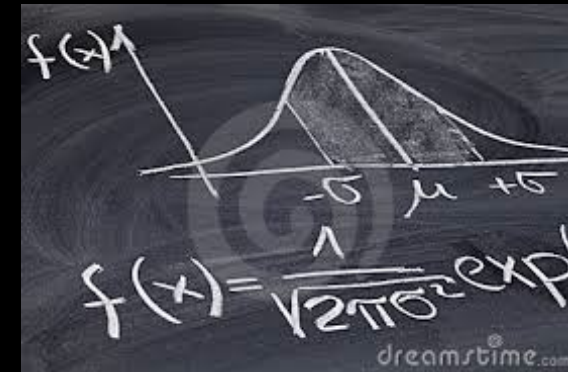
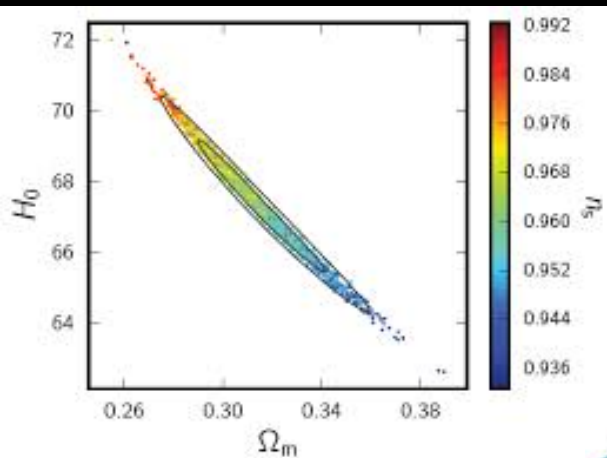
Simulated temperature anisotropy

**PLANCK**

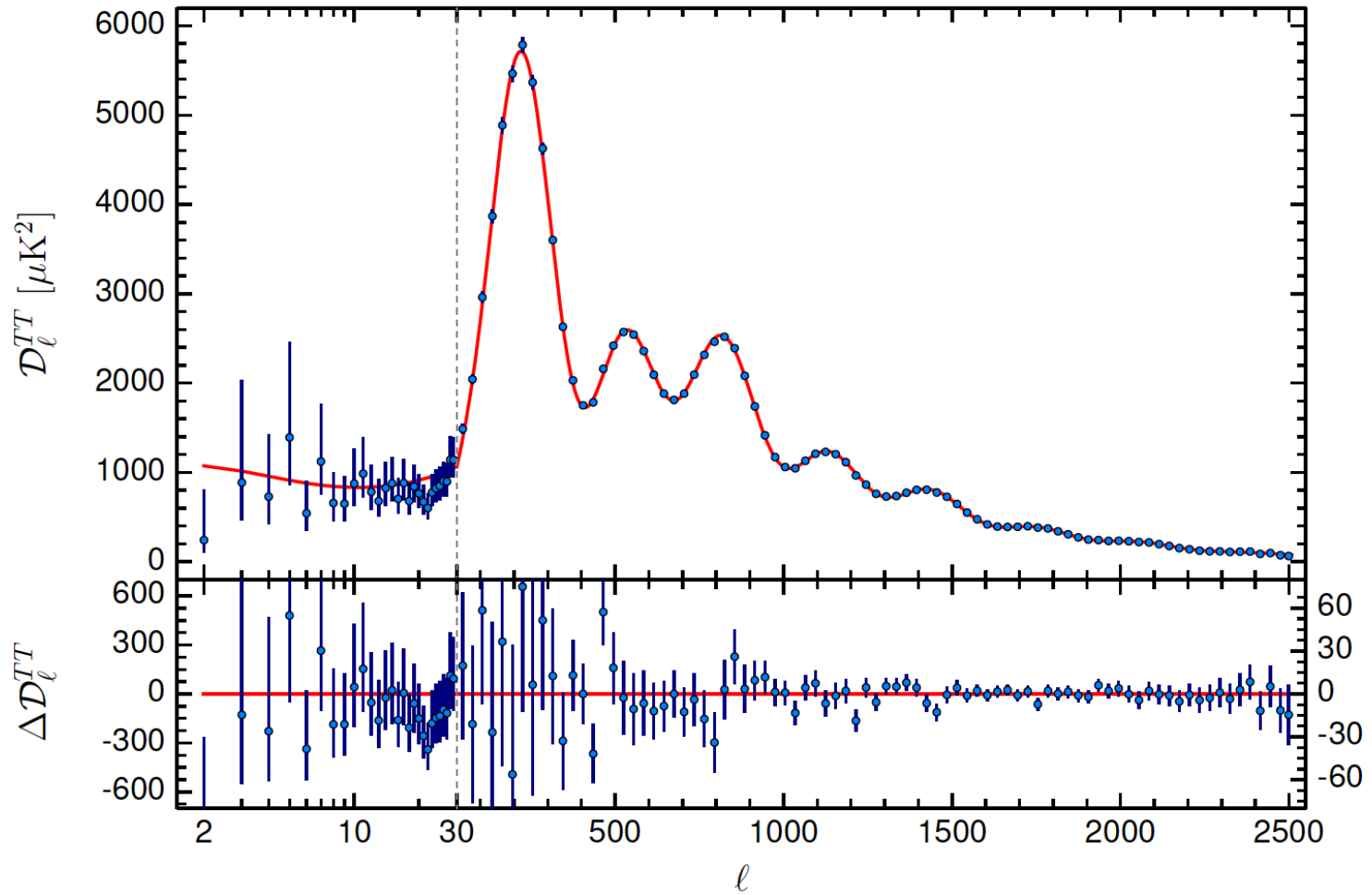
Simulated temperature and polarization anisotropy

# Statistical techniques to make precision cosmology possible

Heroic effort to refine statistical and data analysis techniques to exquisite level



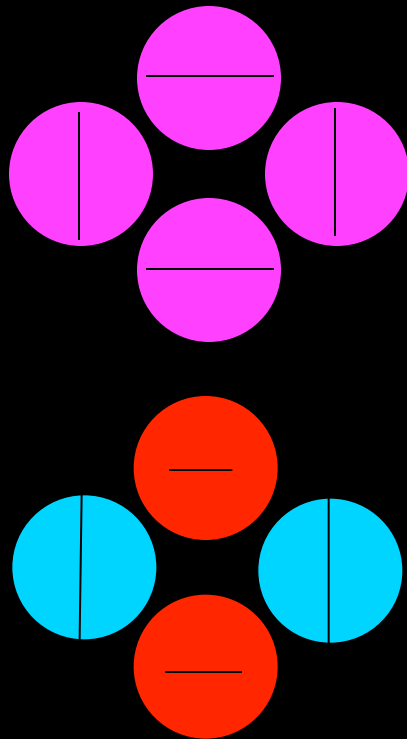
# Temperature anisotropy power spectrum





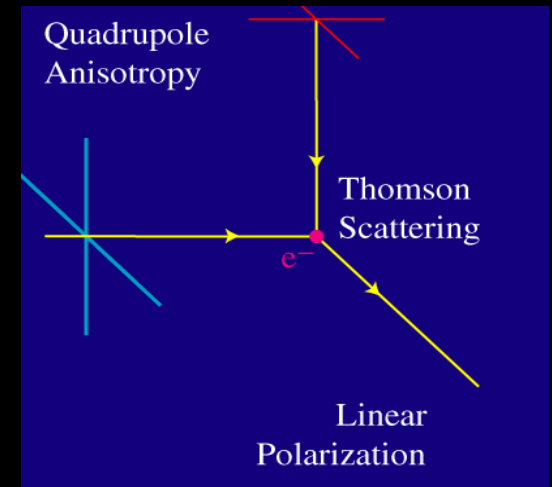
# Generation of CMB polarization

- Temperature quadrupole at the surface of last scatter generates polarization.



Potential hill

Potential well

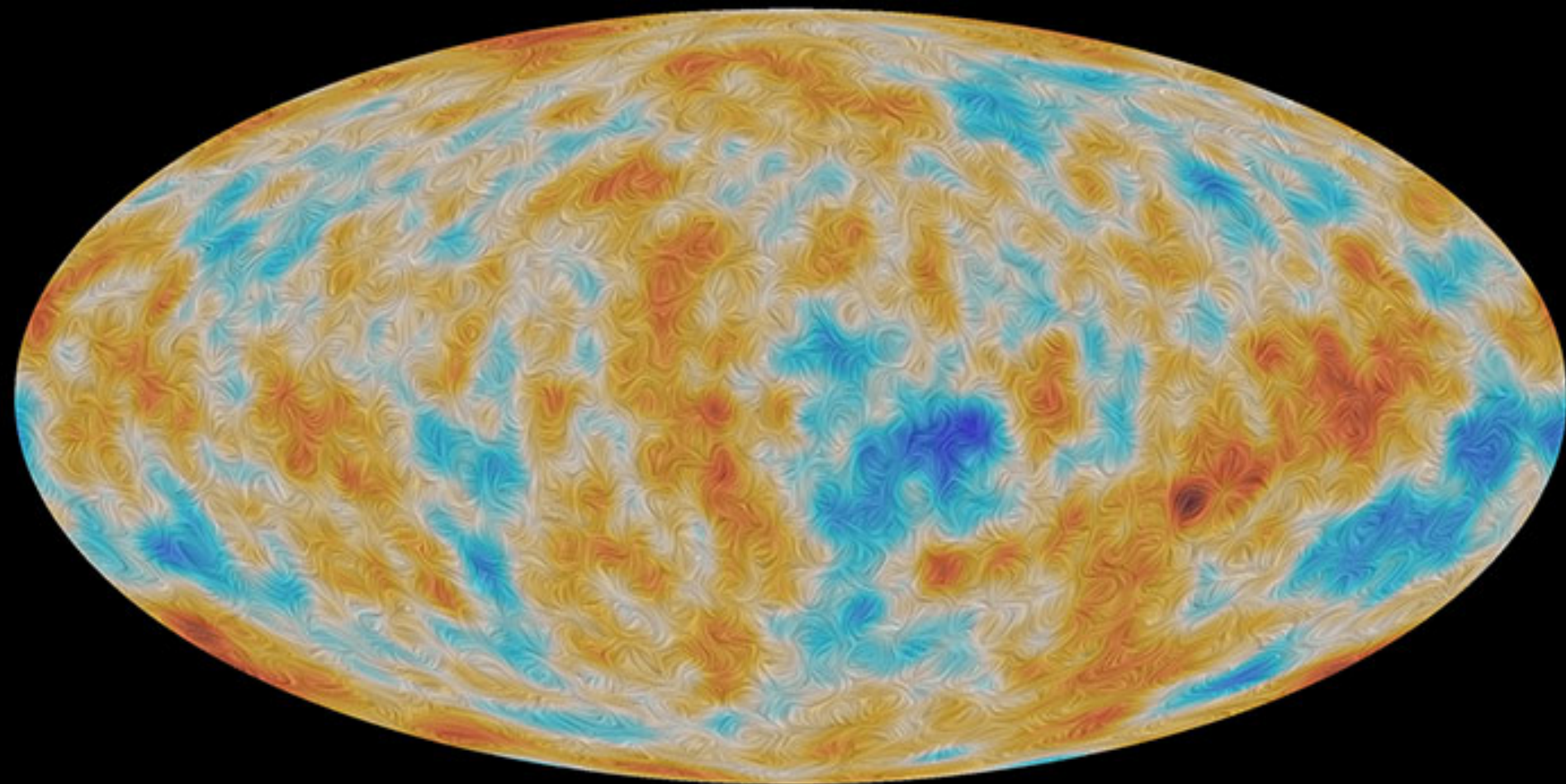


From Wayne Hu

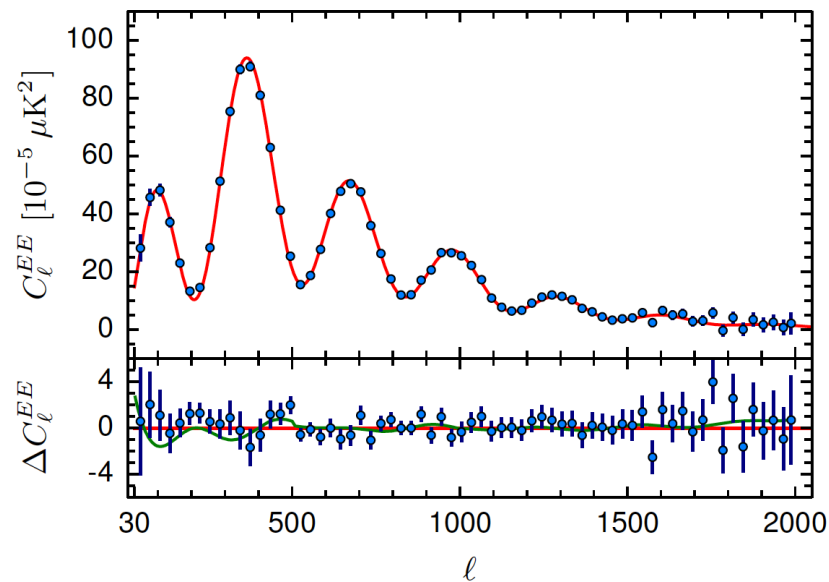
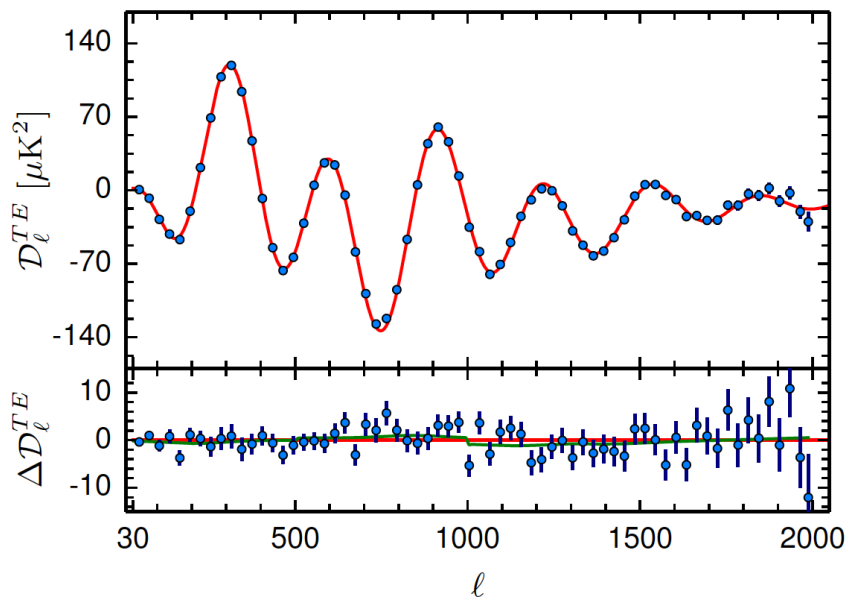
At the last scattering surface

At the end of the dark ages (reionization)

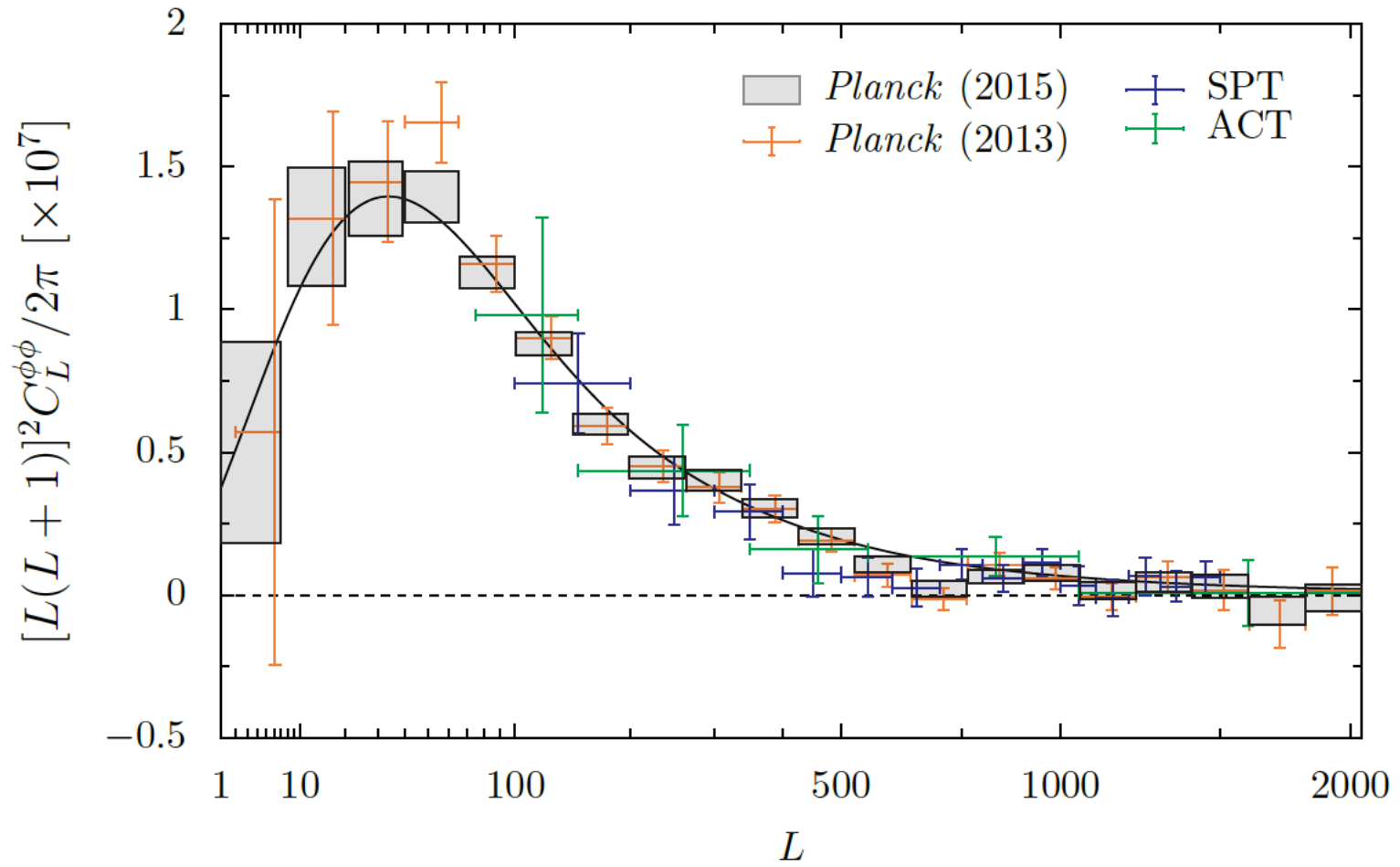
# Polarization



# Polarization power spectra

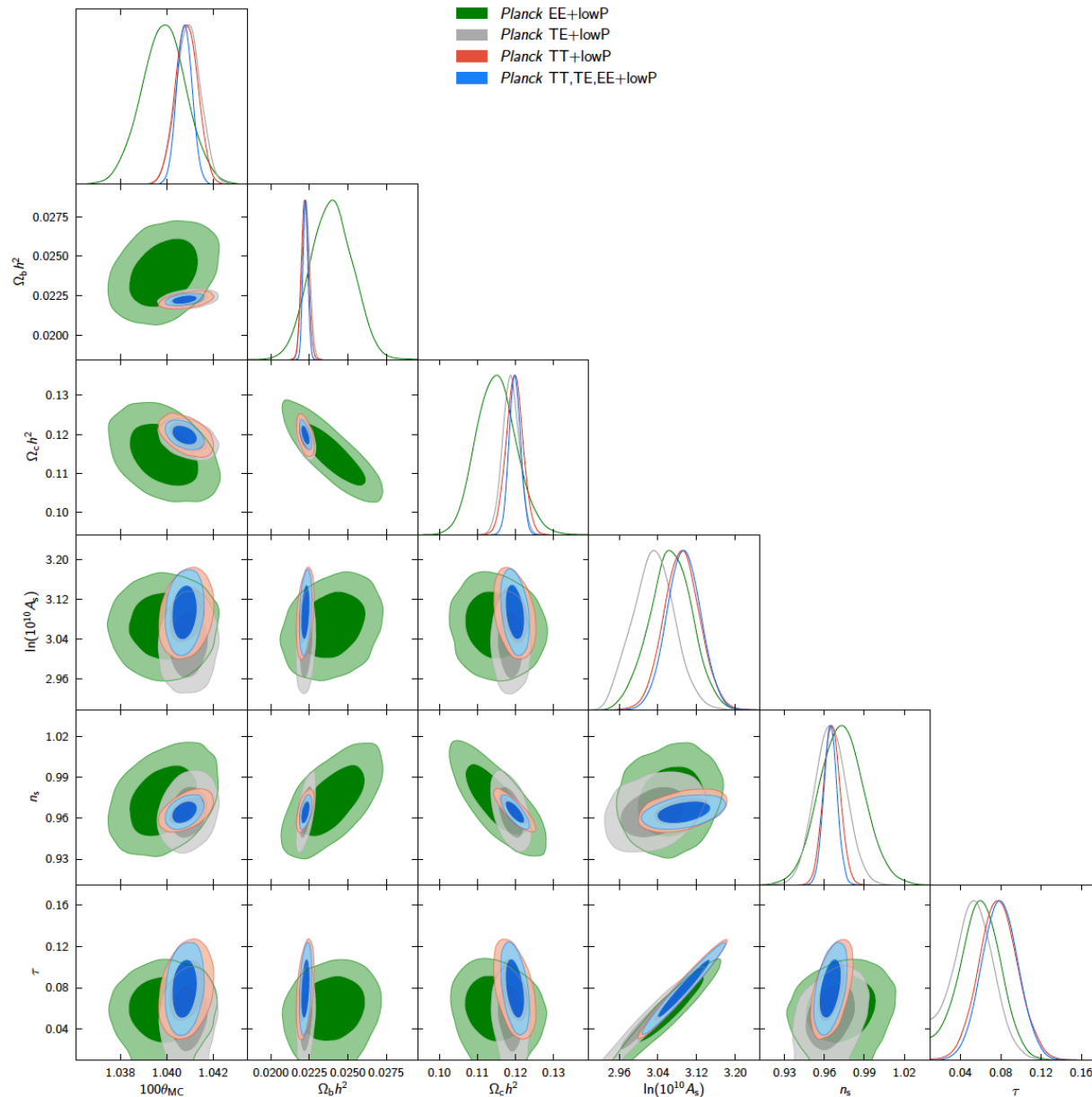


# CMB lensing



40  $\sigma$  detection of lensing ; amplitude constrained to 2.5%

# The power of polarization



Wonderful agreement of new data with the  $\Lambda$ CDM model\*

“the maximally boring Universe”

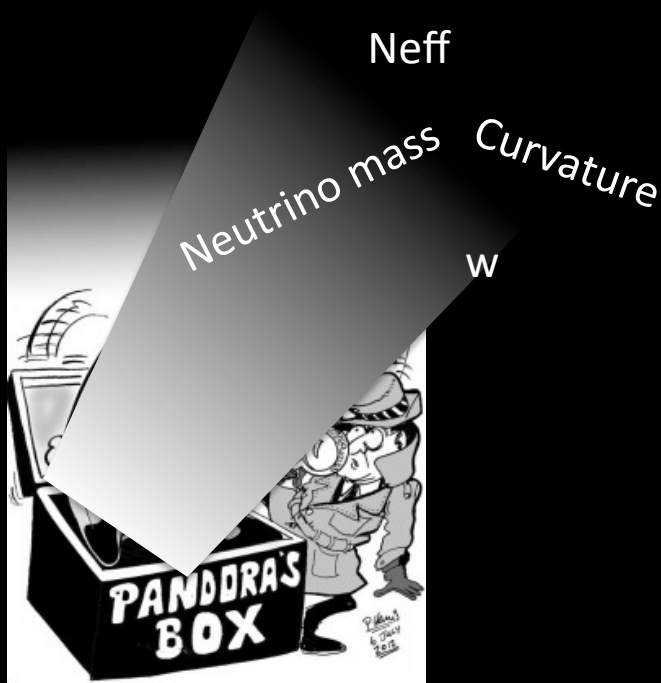
\* With some notable exceptions which are still up for discussion.

STILL....

The model IS incomplete... Neutrinos have mass

The model is unsatisfactory

The cosmological constant problem  
Inflation is more than  $n_s$



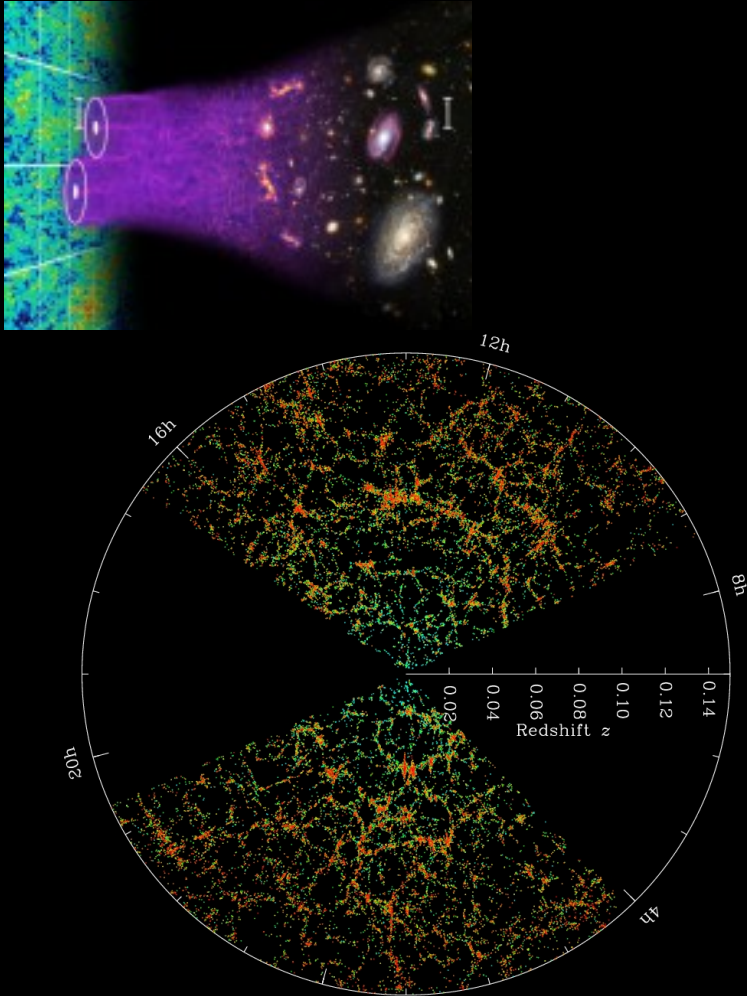
This drives a massive experimental effort

Can now do (precision) tests of  
fundamental physics  
with cosmological data

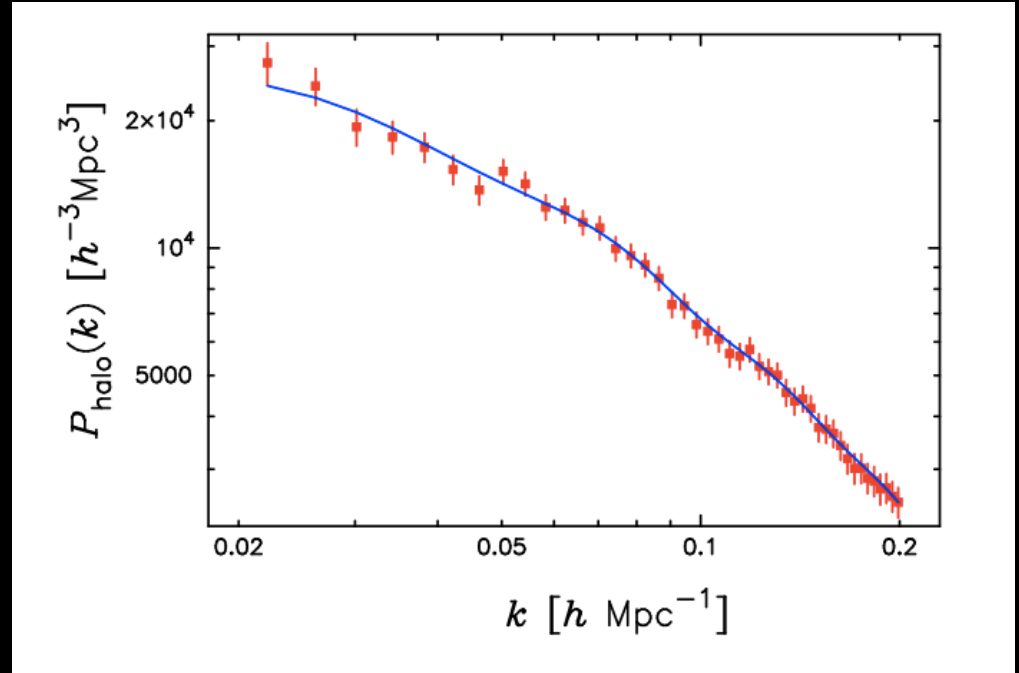


# CMB temperature information content has been saturated

## The near future is large-scale structure



SDSS LRG galaxies power spectrum (Reid et al. 2010)

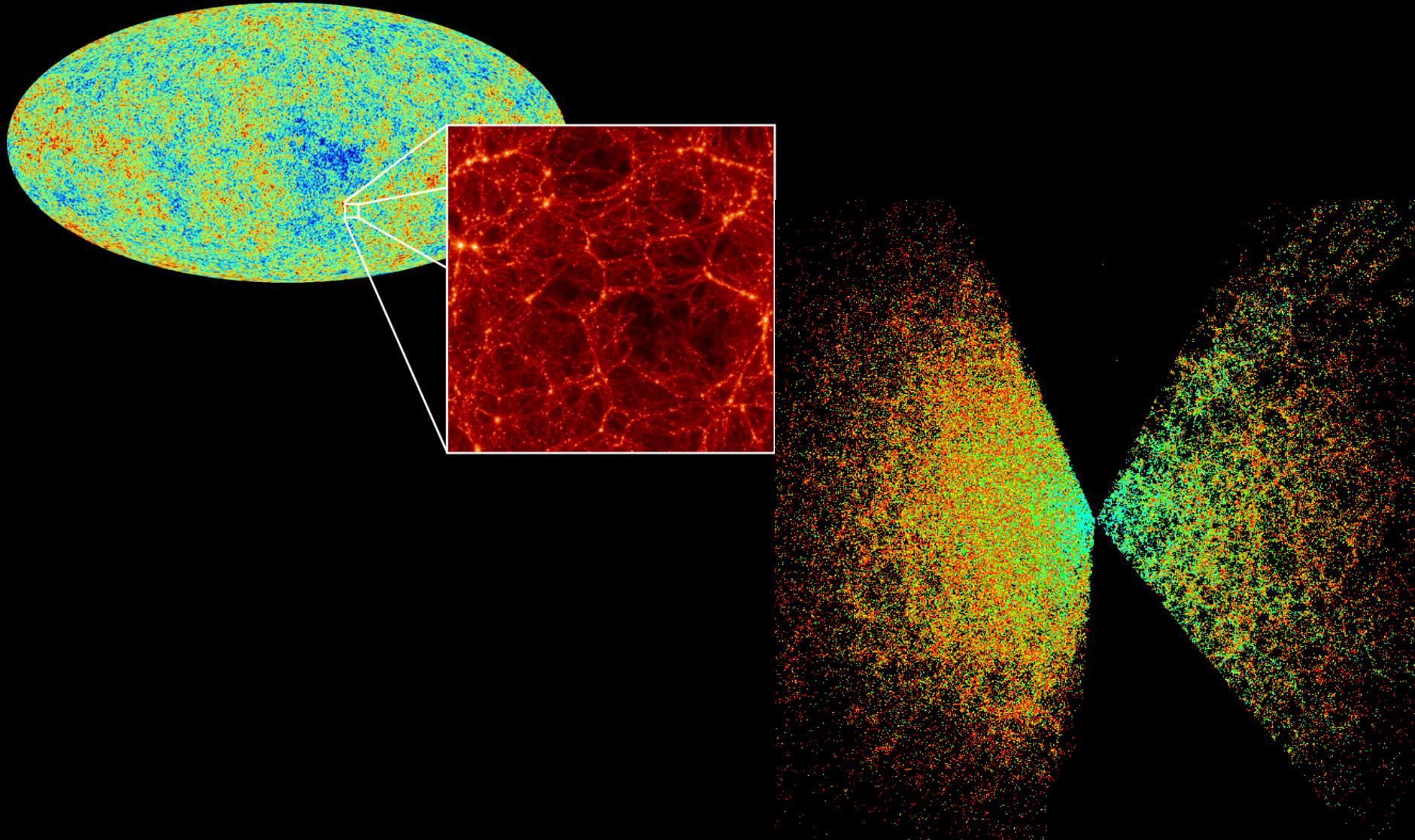


*13 billion years of gravitational evolution*

Longer-term timescale: CMB polarization

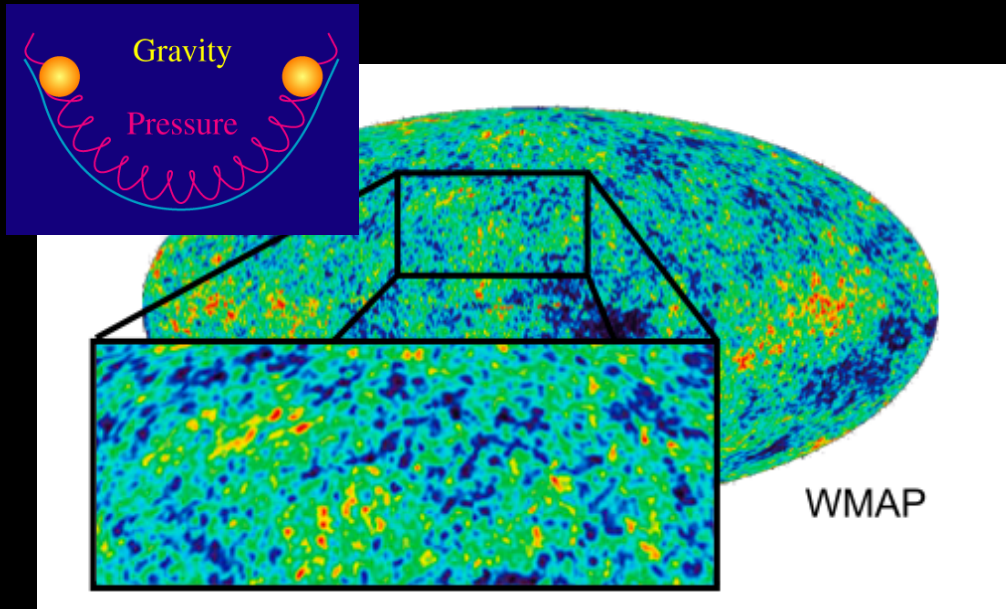
# NEXT: Explore low(er)-redshift Universe

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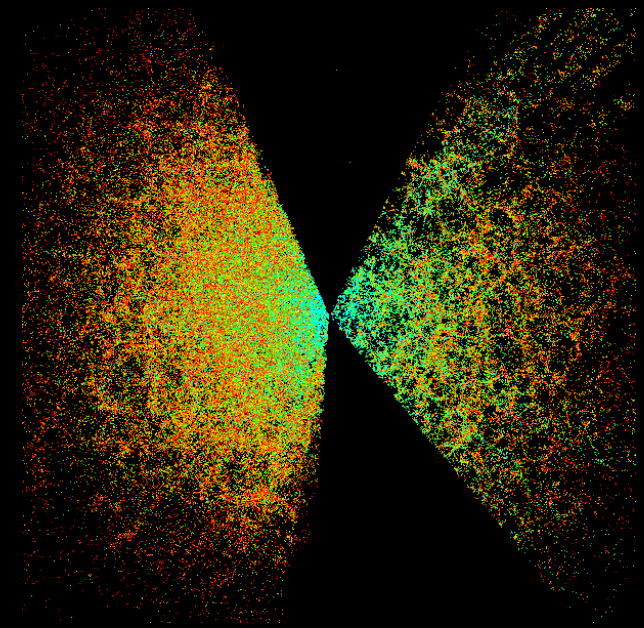
# BAOs

## Baryon acoustic oscillations



Observe photons

Photons coupled to baryons

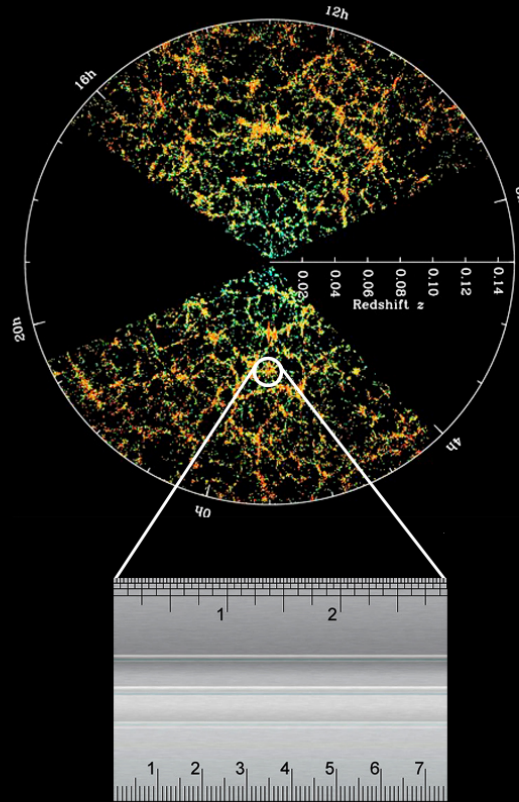
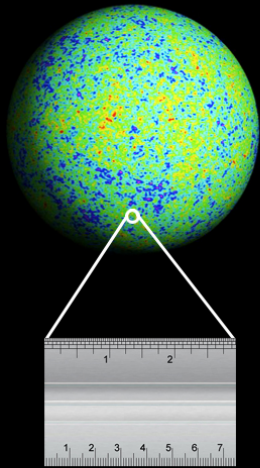


“See” dark matter

AS baryons are  $\sim 1/6$  of the dark matter these baryonic oscillations leave some imprint in the dark matter distribution (gravity is the coupling)

# Explore low-redshift Universe: BAO

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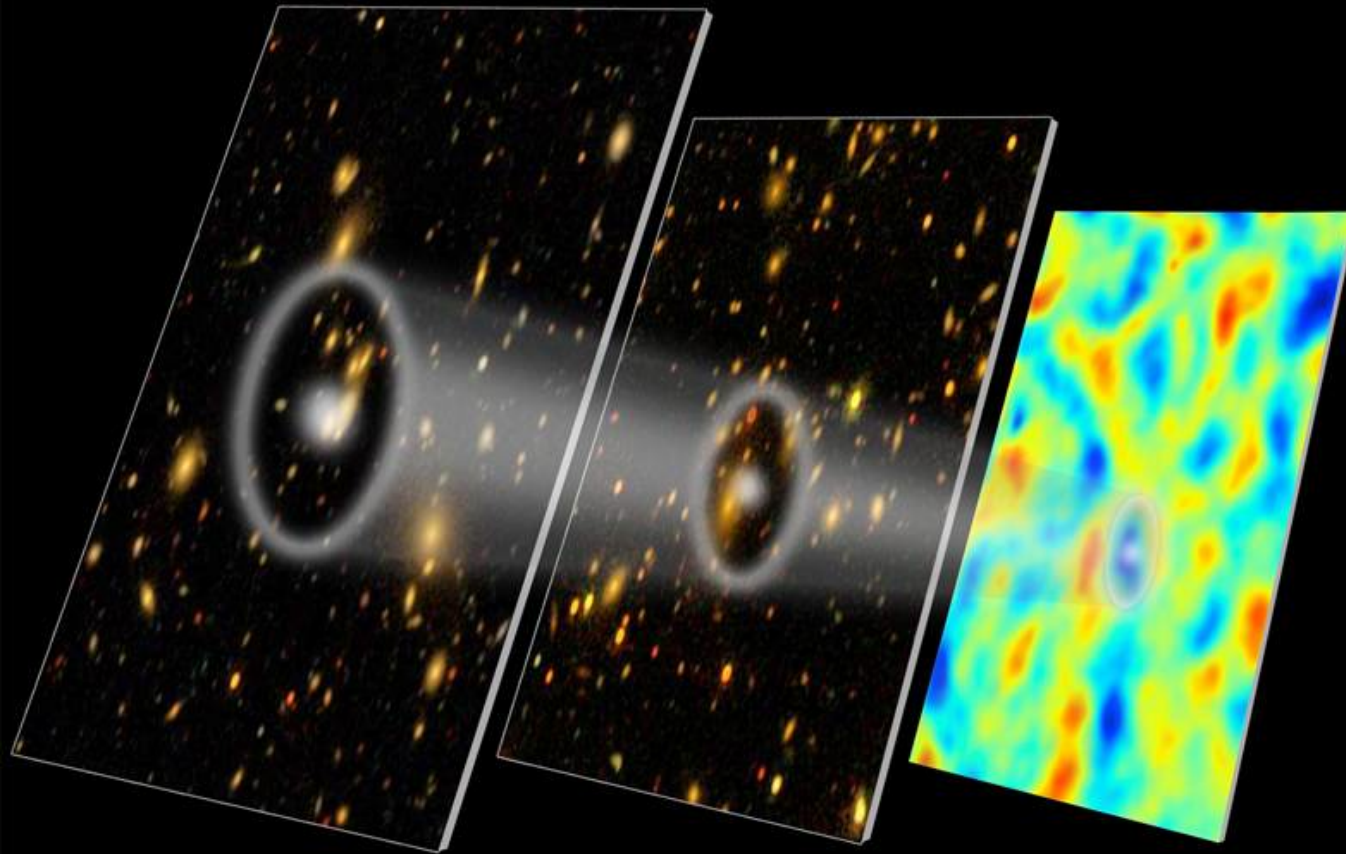
available:  
Sloan Digital Sky Survey III  
BOSS

Wigglez

Future :e.g., DES, EUCLID,  
DESI etc.

BOSS: final results .....

# Baryon acoustic oscillations (BAO)

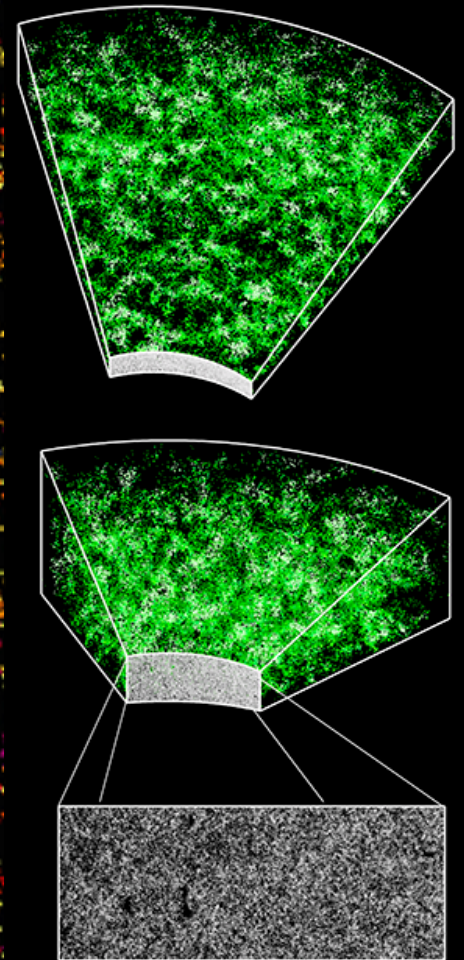
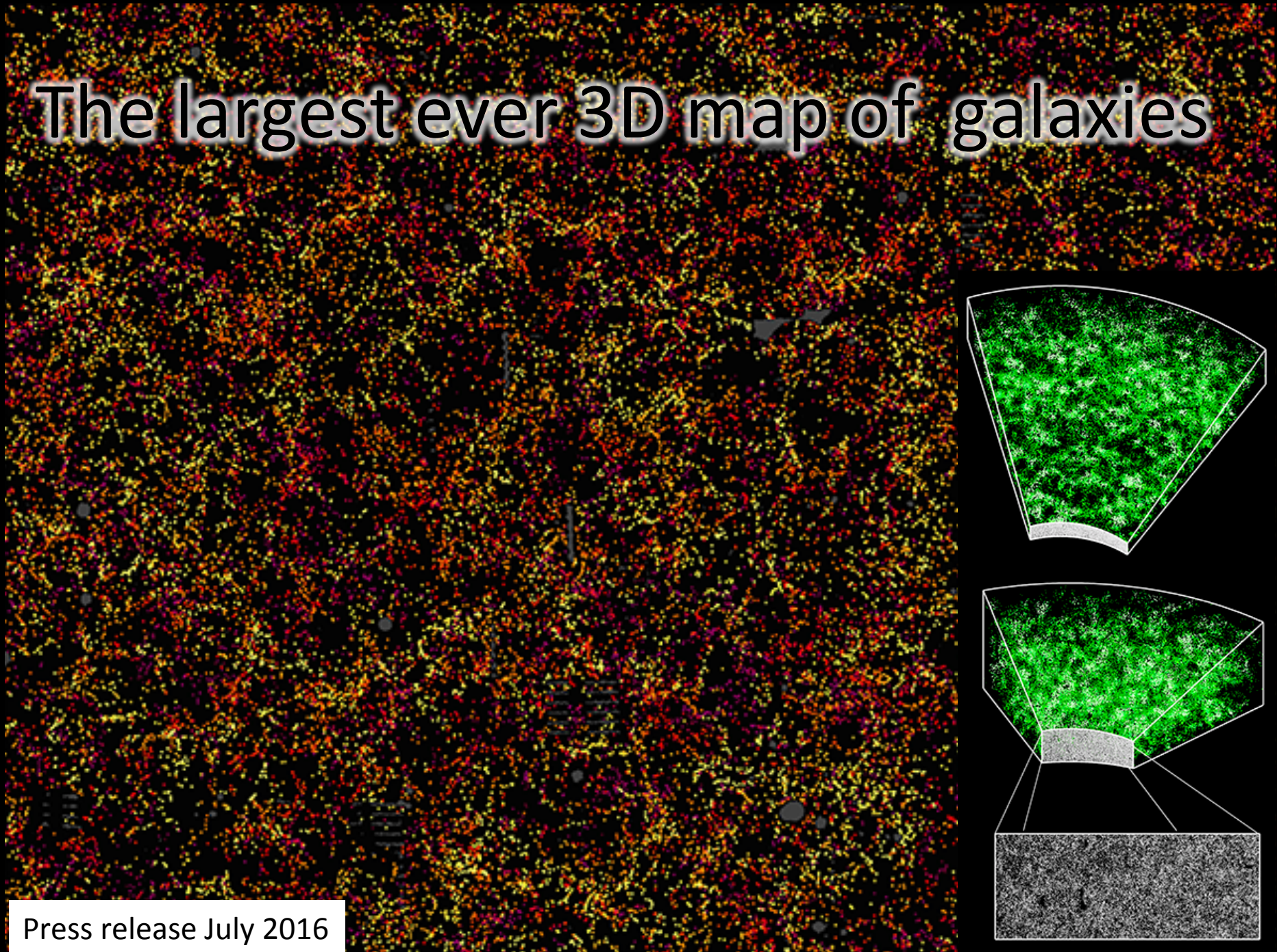


Galaxy map 3.8 billion years ago

Galaxy map 5.5 billion years ago

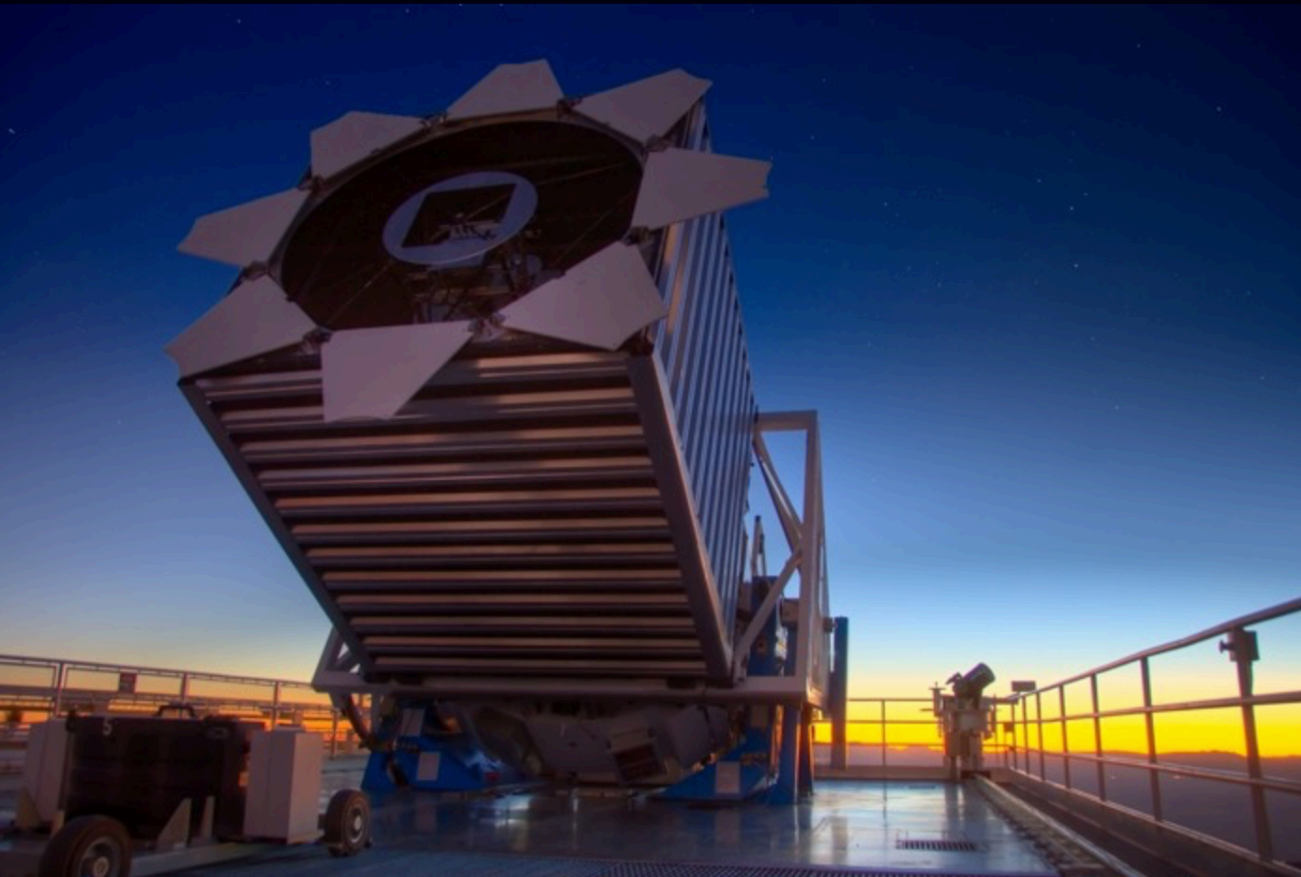
CMB 13.7 billion years ago

# The largest ever 3D map of galaxies



Press release July 2016

# SDSSIII BOSS survey (2009-2016)

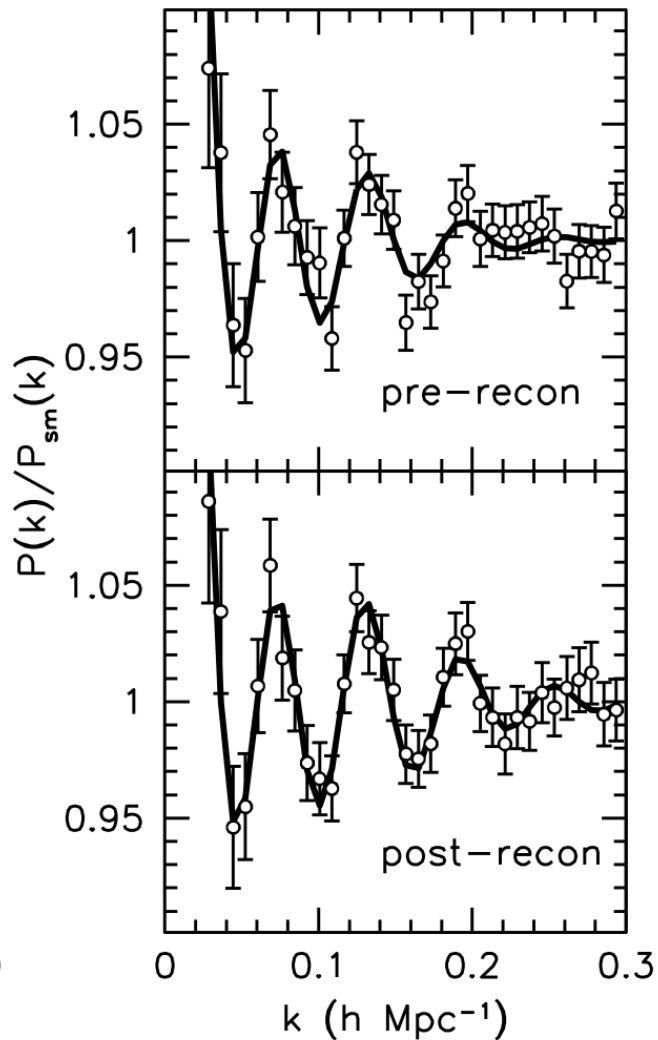
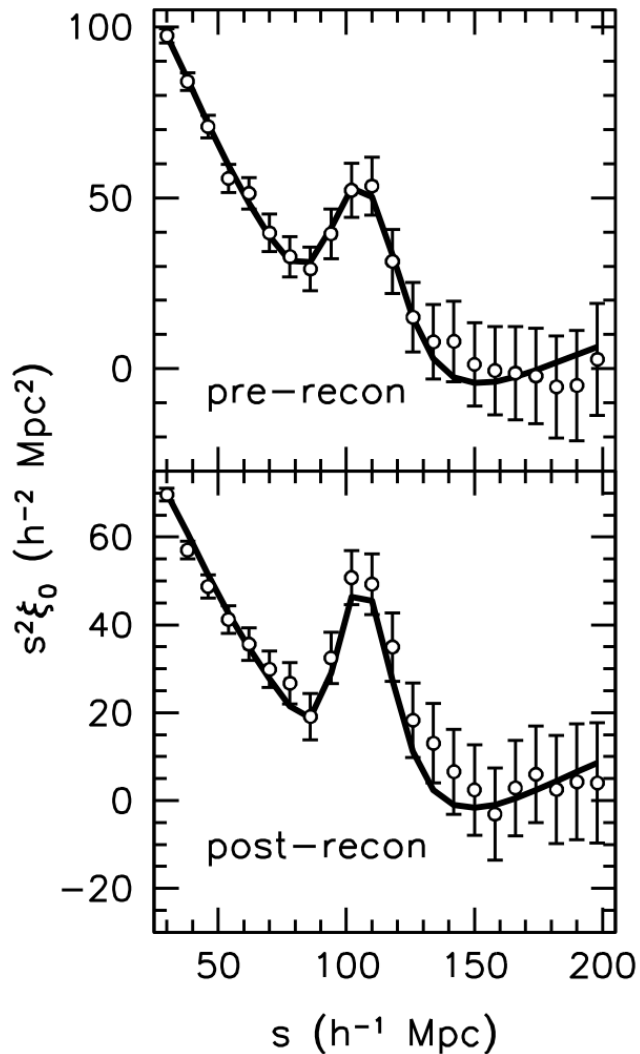


July 2008 - June 2014  
51 participating  
institutions  
> 1,000 scientists

SDSS Telescope  
2.5m dedicated  
Apache Point, NM  
(operating since 1998)

<https://www.sdss3.org/surveys/boss.php>

# Baryon acoustic oscillations (BAO) “today”

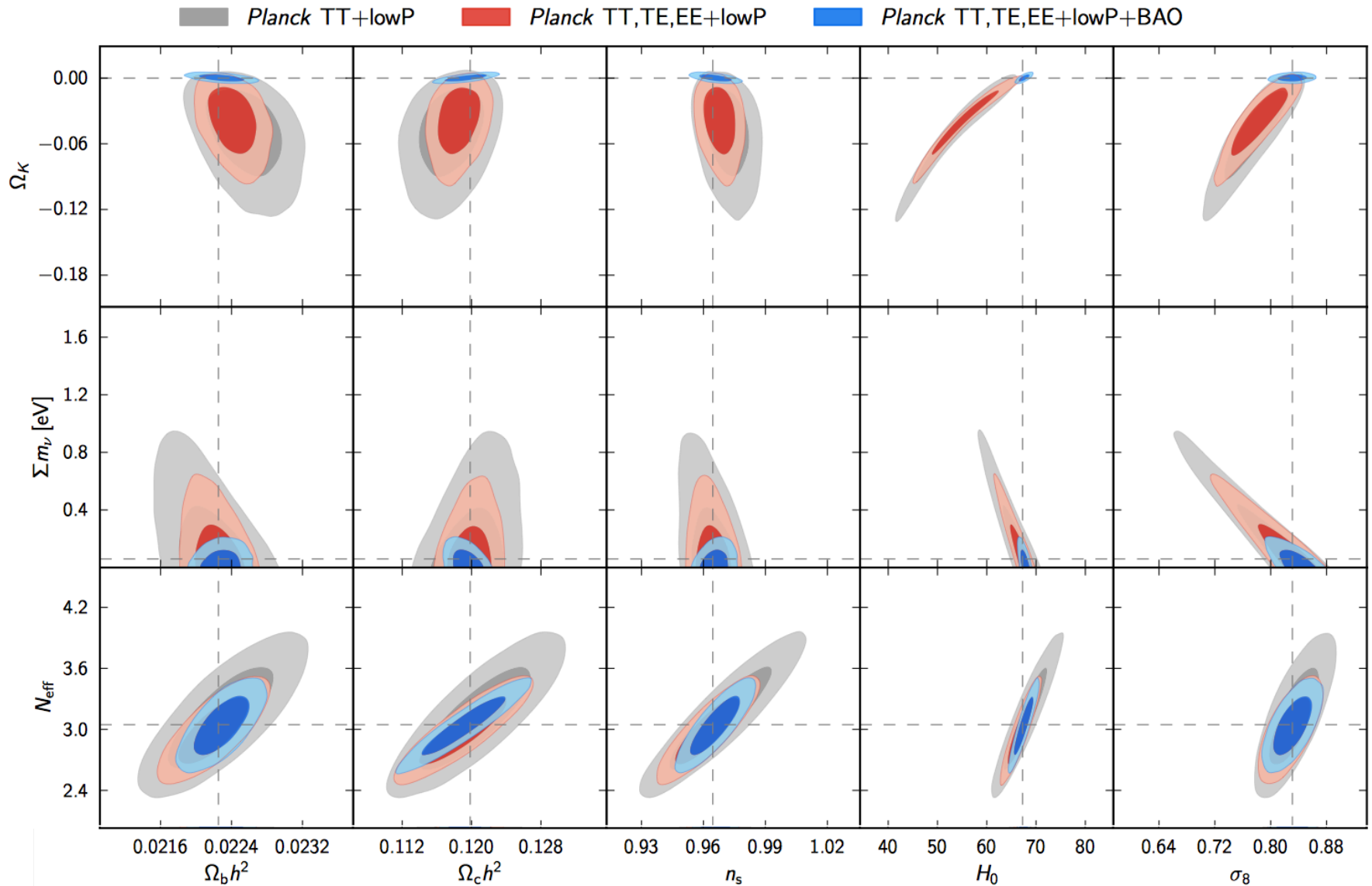


Here it is!



# The power of BAO

Planck collaboration 2016



# Physical information from large-scale structure

Clustering

What are the constituents of matter?  
What is the physics of inflation?  
e.g. Neutrino masses, Primordial  $P(k)$ ,  
Nature of dark matter,  
growth of perturbations

Standard ruler  
(geometry)

What is the expansion  
history of the Universe?  
e.g. Dark energy

Redshift space  
distortions

How does structure form  
within this background?  
e.g. modified gravity, GR

Large-scales

Homogeneity, non-gaussianity

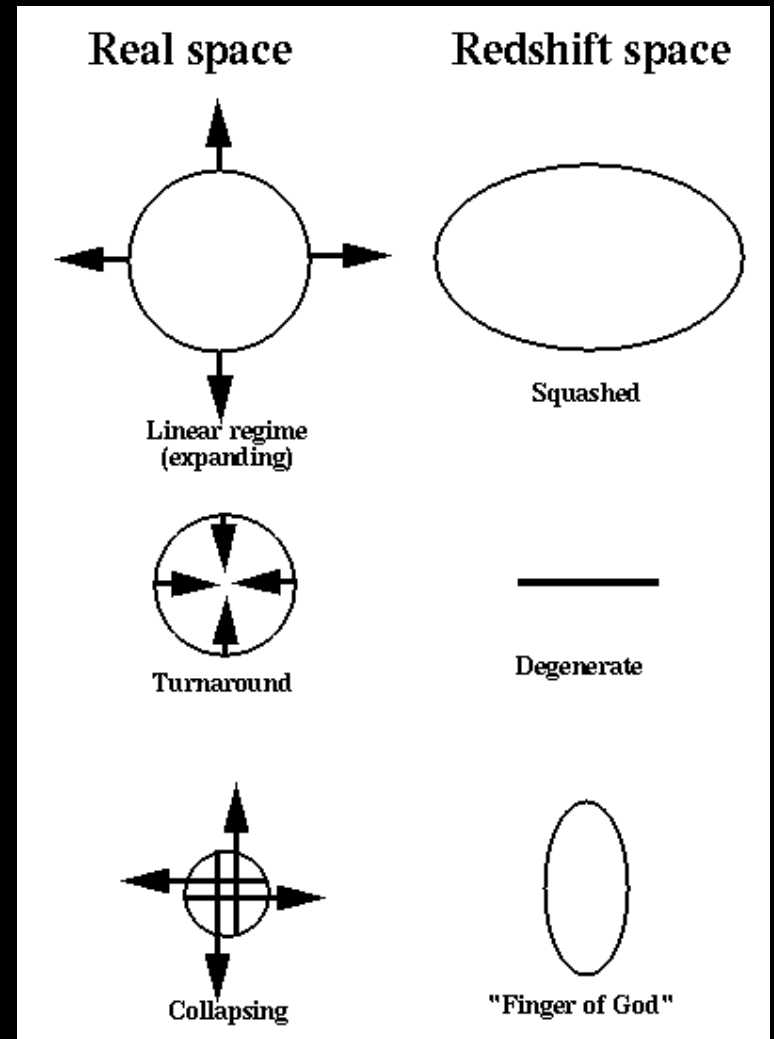
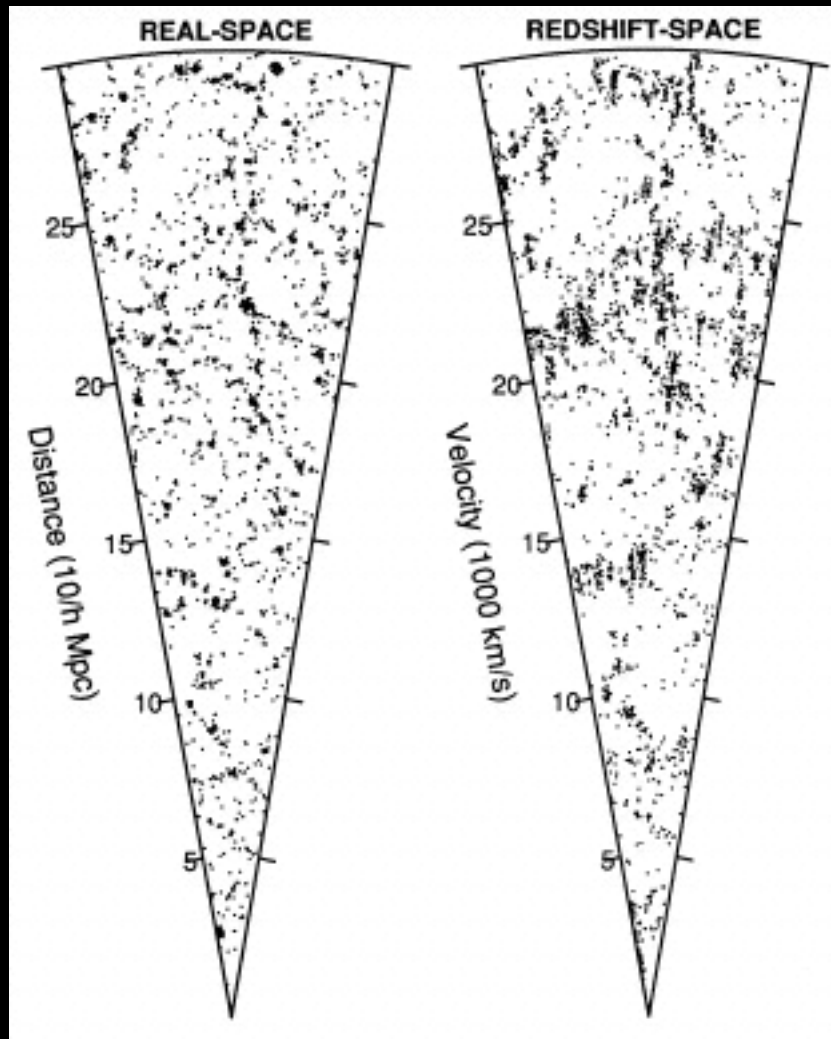
Spectral  
analysis

other non-cosmological info  
e.g. Galaxy formation

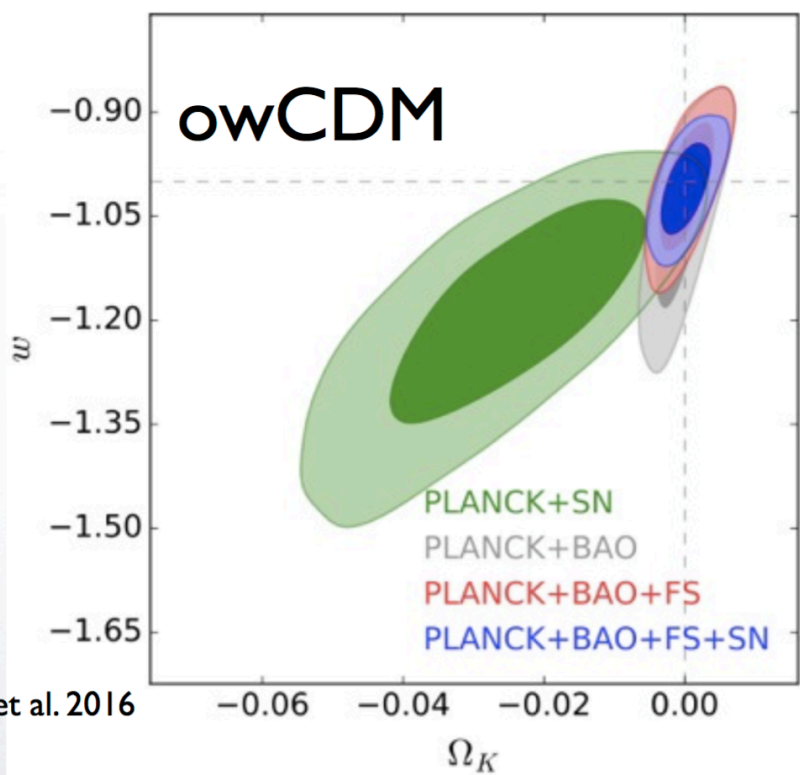
Understanding  
cosmic  
acceleration

Fig. adapted from W. Percival

# Redshift space distortions

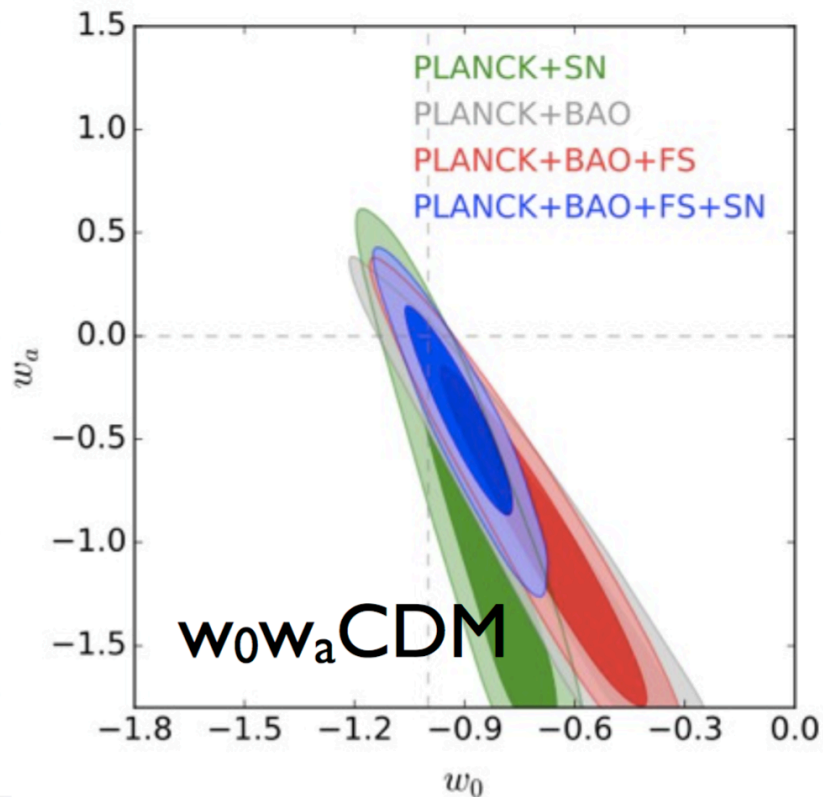


# Curvature and Dark Energy



Alam et al. 2016

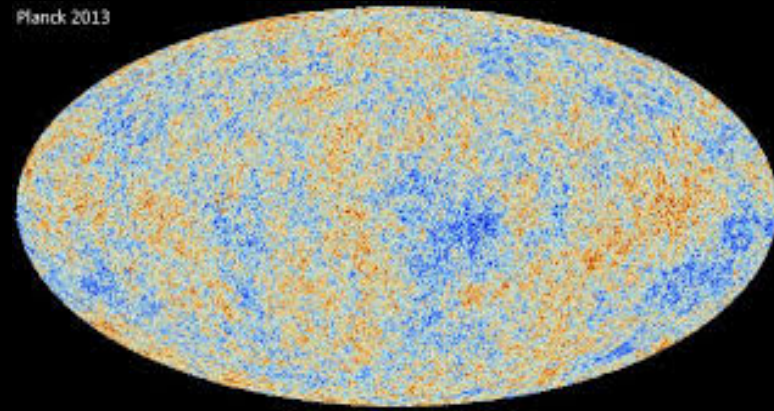
$\Omega_k$  is 0 with an error of **0.0026** (**0.0023** with SN)  
 $w$  is -1 with an error of **0.06** (**0.04** with SN)



$w_0$  is -1 with an error of **0.10** with SN  
 $w_a$  is 0 with an error of **0.34** with SN

# WHY SHOULD YOU CARE?

Planck 2013



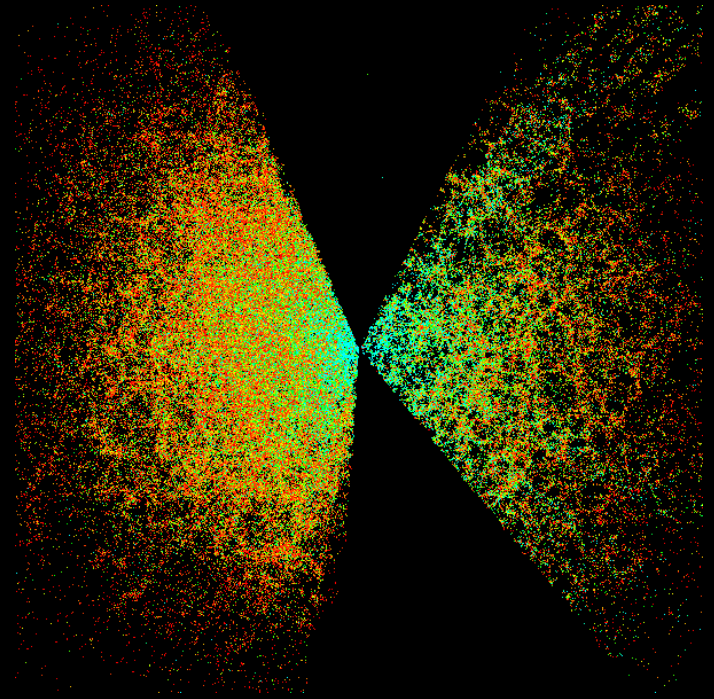
Forthcoming new avalanche of data enables  
PRECISION tests beyond the standard model

## *Two examples*

1) Neutrinos contribute at least to  $\sim 0.5\%$  of the total matter density

Use the entire Universe as “detector”!

2) Model-independent tests



# Planck Constraints on Neutrinos

$$\sum m_\nu < 0.72 \text{ eV} \quad \textit{Planck TT+lowP};$$

$$\sum m_\nu < 0.21 \text{ eV} \quad \textit{Planck TT+lowP+BAO};$$

$$\sum m_\nu < 0.49 \text{ eV} \quad \textit{Planck TT, TE, EE+lowP};$$

$$\sum m_\nu < 0.17 \text{ eV} \quad \textit{Planck TT, TE, EE+lowP+BAO}.$$

95% CL

$$N_{\text{eff}} = 3.13 \pm 0.32 \quad \textit{Planck TT+lowP};$$

$$N_{\text{eff}} = 3.15 \pm 0.23 \quad \textit{Planck TT+lowP+BAO};$$

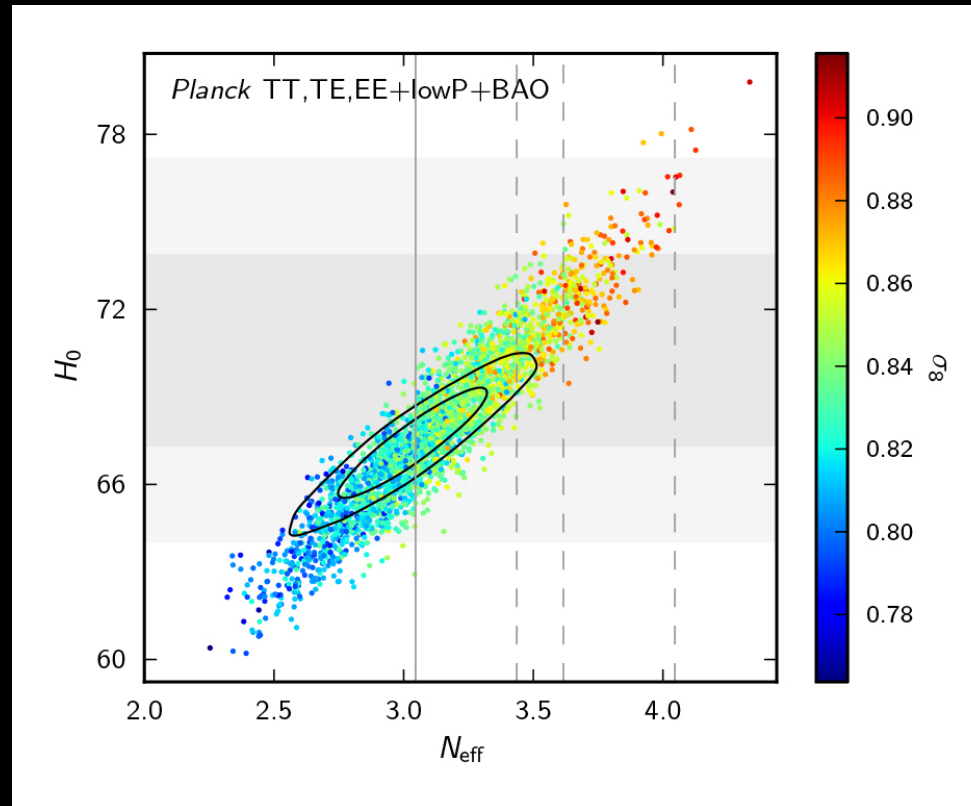
$$N_{\text{eff}} = 2.99 \pm 0.20 \quad \textit{Planck TT, TE, EE+lowP};$$

$$N_{\text{eff}} = 3.04 \pm 0.18 \quad \textit{Planck TT, TE, EE+lowP+BAO}.$$

68% CL

The CvB has been detected to  
extremely high statistical  
significance

# Results from Planck 2015

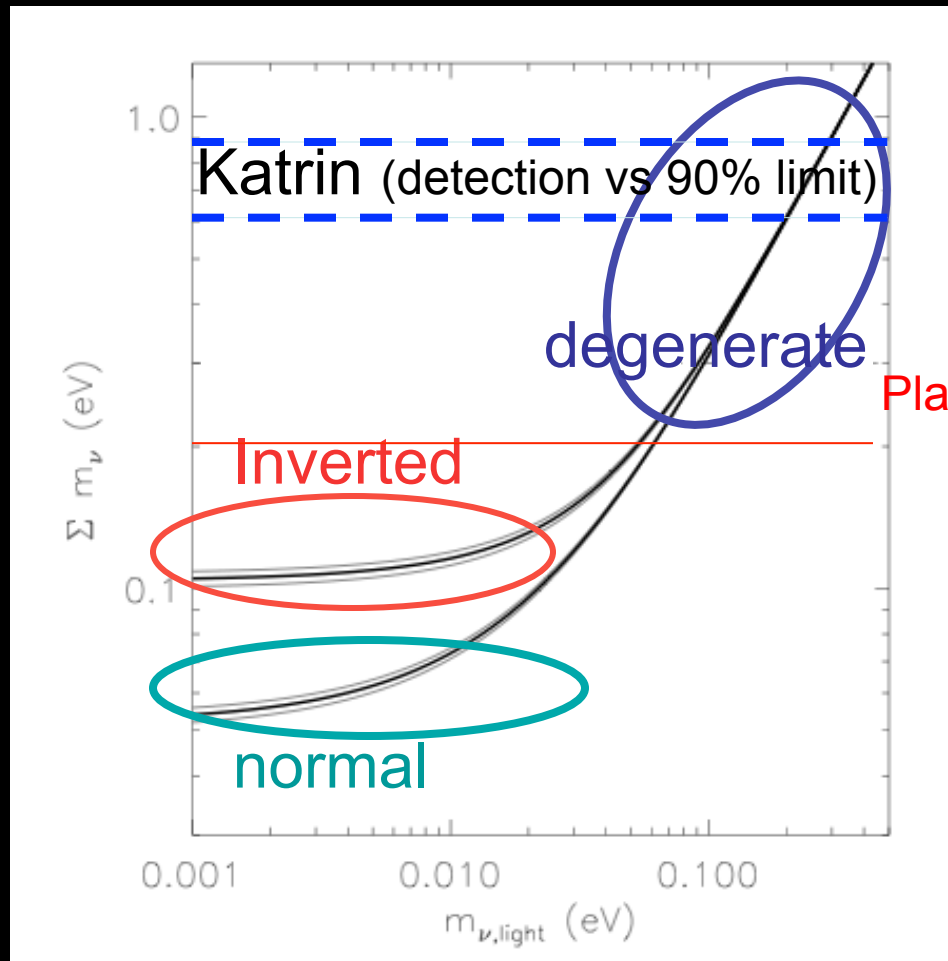


$N_{\text{eff}}=0$  excluded at “17sigma”

Also, the possibility of a 4th neutrino is fading away  
(dashed lines)



# Cosmology is key in determining the absolute mass scale



Planck +BAO (95% limit)

The problem is systematic errors



This means that neutrinos contribute at least to  $\sim 0.5\%$  of the total matter density

# Including large-scale structure clustering

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Pros: see the “signature” scale-dependent clustering suppression

Cons: astrophysics, bias

Possible approach:

Useful exercise : use completely different tracers and see if there is agreement

Cuesta, Niro, LV, 2016

**Neutrino mass limits:**

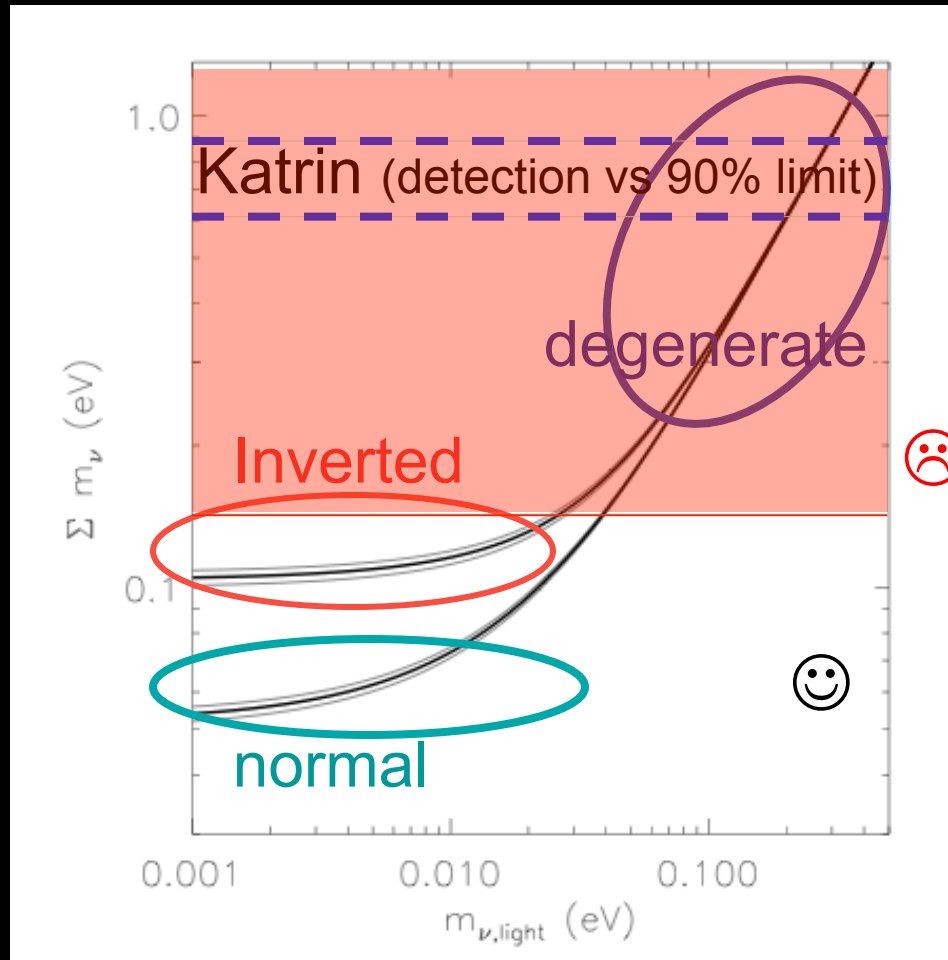
**robust information from the power spectrum of galaxy surveys**

(Wiggle Z, blue EL galaxies; SDSS LRG; and compare with IGM Lyalpha)

# $M_\nu < 0.13 \text{ eV} @ 95\%$

The pessimist: The inverted hierarchy is under pressure

The optimist: If IH then a measurement of  $M_\nu$  is just around the corner!



With  $L_{\nu\alpha} < 0.12 \text{ eV}$

Note the bracket!

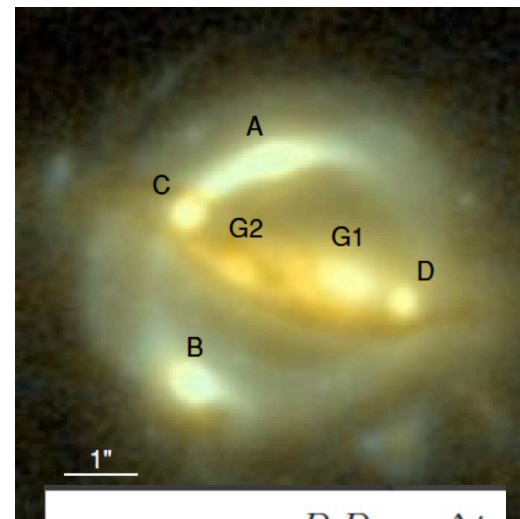
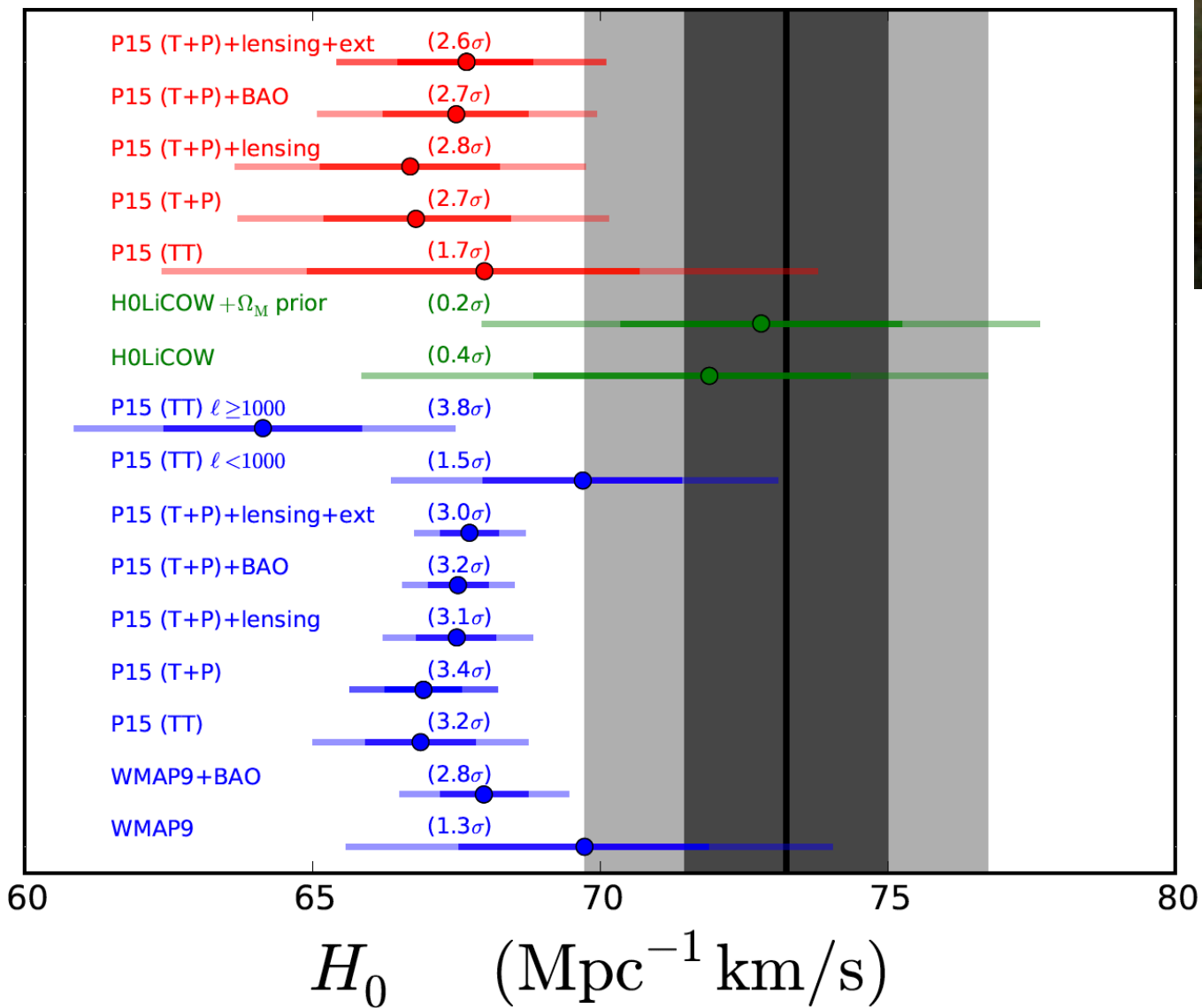
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# The trouble with $H_0$

JL Bernal, LV,.A Riess, JACP 2016

- Direct measurement:  $73.24 \pm 1.74$  km/s/Mpc (Riess et al 2016; verified with GAIA parallaxes)
- Planck ( $\Lambda$ CDM):  $67.8 \pm 0.9$  ( $66.9 \pm 0.6$ ) km/s/Mpc
- Formally  $3.4 \sigma$ , maybe we should pay attention
- Possibly worst with Planck low  $l$  polarization re-analysis

# The landscape



$$D_{\Delta t} \equiv (1 + z_l) \frac{D_l D_s}{D_{ls}} = \frac{\Delta t}{\Delta \phi}$$

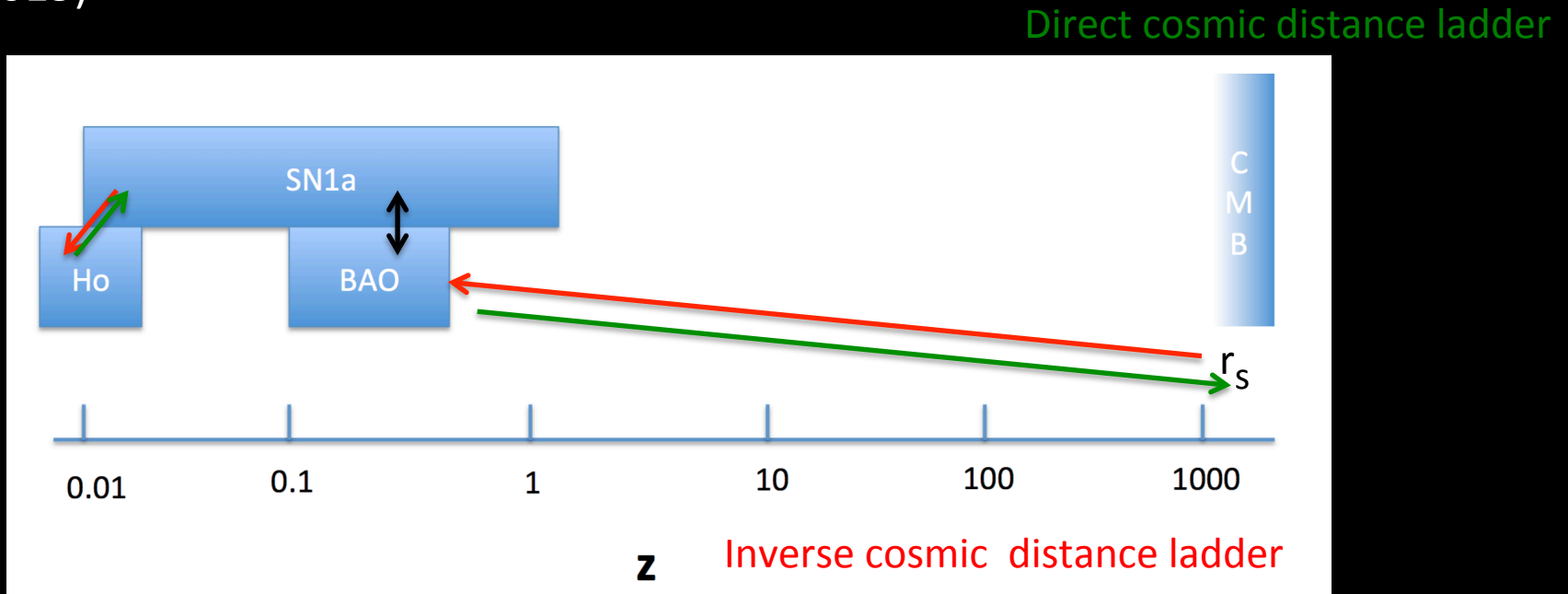
- CMB  $\Lambda$ CDM +  $N_{\text{eff}}$
- H0LiCOW
- CMB  $\Lambda$ CDM
- R16

The trouble with  $H_0$

# Direct and inverse distance ladder

- Spline reconstruction of the expansion history  $H(z)$  with 4 (5 with SNe) knots.

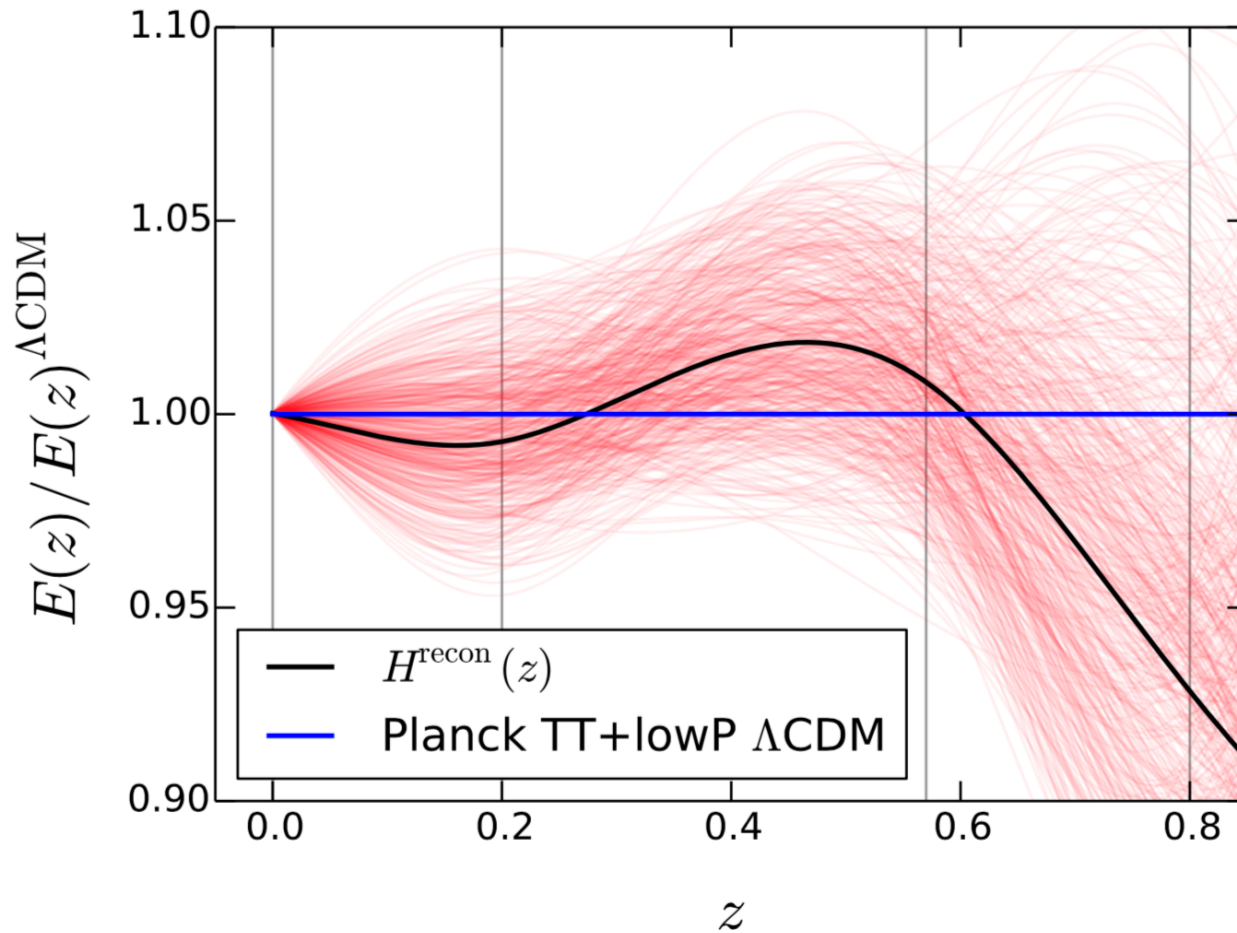
Direct and inverse cosmic distance ladder (Cuesta et al 2015)



Here is where in LCDM or its simple variations the two ladders do not match

The trouble with  $H_0$

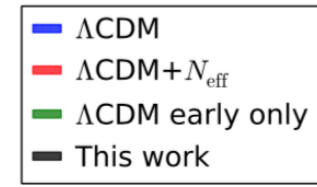
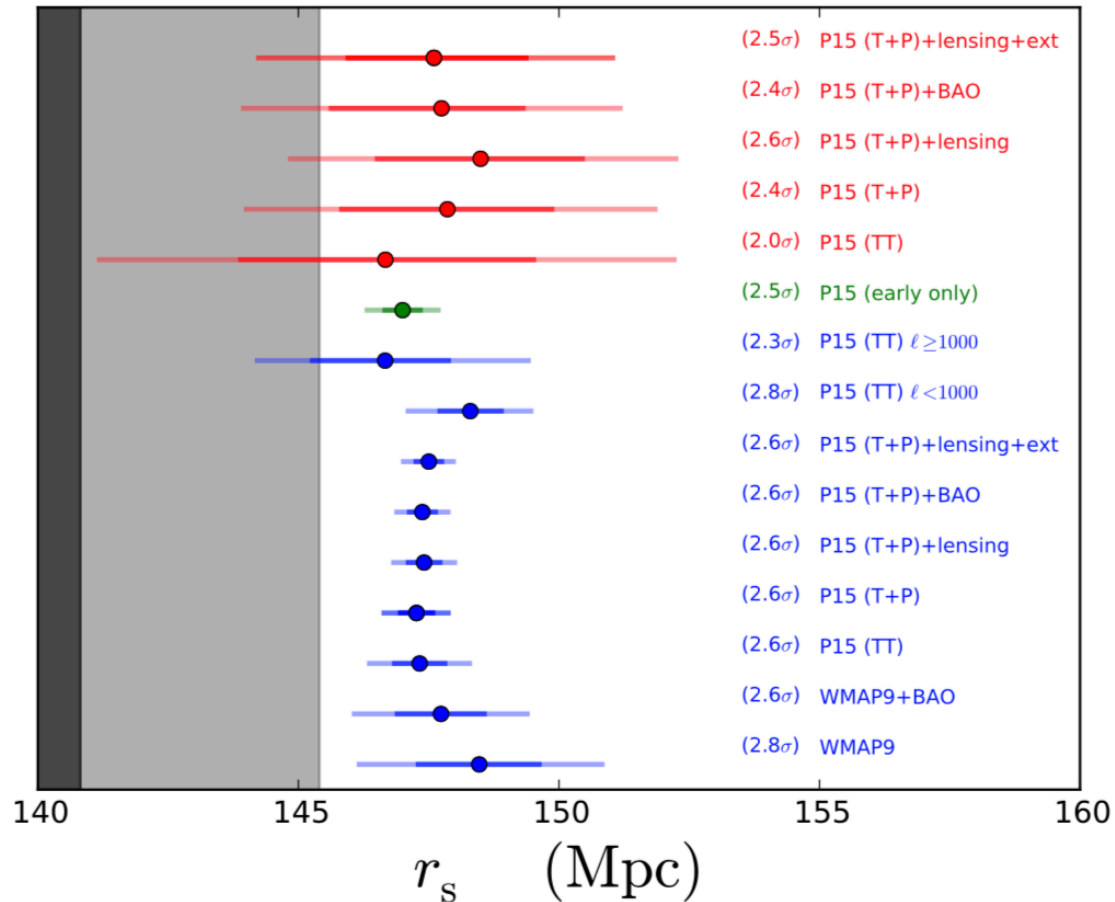
# The SHAPE of expansion history is well constrained



The issue is with the normalization

The trouble with  $H_0$

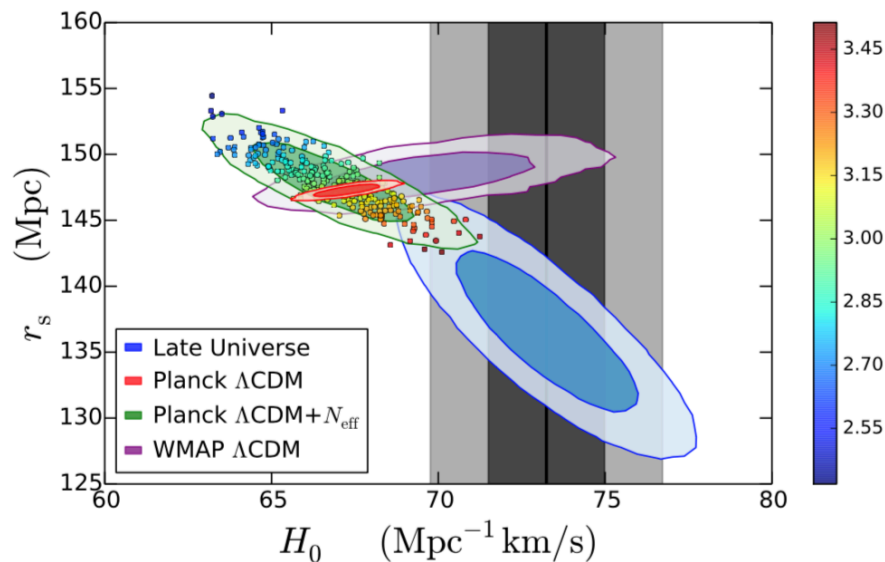
# The $H_0$ problem as a $r_s$ problem



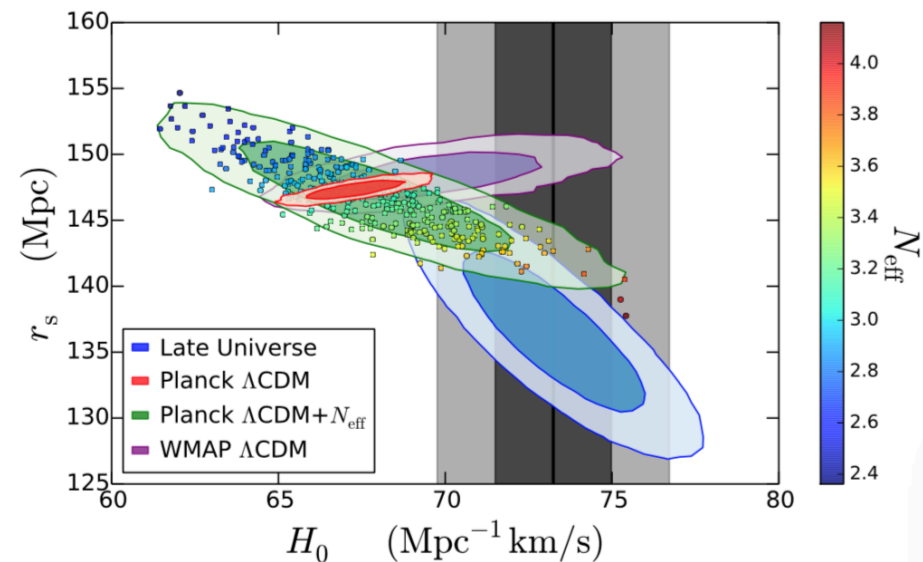


# Why so much interest in $N_{\text{eff}}$ ...

With high I polarization



w/o high I polarization



$\Delta N_{\text{eff}} \sim 0.4$  fixes “everything” but is disfavored by high I Planck polarization

The trouble with  $H_0$

# Other issues

- Amplitude of perturbations (SZ Clusters)
- Amplitude of perturbations (gravitational lensing)
- Reionization (not of interest for this audience)

“We can’t live in a state of perpetual doubt, so we make up the best story possible and we live as if the story were true.”

Daniel Kahneman about theories

GR, big bang, choice of metric, nucleosynthesis, etc etc...

Cosmology tends to rely heavily on models (both for “signal” and “noise”)

Essentially, all models are wrong , but some are useful  
(Box and Draper 1987)

With ~1% precision, systematics become the name of the game

Systematics in the data  
Systematics in the model (analysis)

# Beyond precision cosmology my view

It is possible to be less model dependent? At what price?

The error bars will grow, but that may be a GOOD THING!

# Conclusions (glass half empty)

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... the maximally boring universe...

The standard cosmological model has survived ever more stringent tests

Deviations from it are even more constrained

Eventually something will have to give, the model IS incomplete  
(and the cosmological constant IS ugly..)

And we have extrapolated the law of gravity some 13 orders of magnitude!!)

The point is how much smaller would the observational error bars have to be

# Conclusions (glass half full)

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- Precision cosmology means that we can start (or prepare for) constraining interesting physical quantities, and make model-independent tests.
- Neutrino properties: absolute mass scale, number of families, possibly hierarchy The (indirect) detection of neutrino masses is within the reach of forthcoming experiments (even for the minimum mass allowed by oscillations)
- Large future surveys means that sub % effects become detectable, which brings in a whole new set of challenges and opportunities
- Systematic and real-world effects are the challenge, need for in-build consistency checks!
- Beyond model fitting, towards model-independent tests; Model independent measurements

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