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back  
to 8.033!

**Alan Guth**

# Summary of cosmology so far:

## Key formula summary

## Interpretation of $r$ , $t$ , $a$ , comoving

- FRW metric:

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

- Hubble parameter:

$$H \equiv \frac{\dot{a}}{a}$$

- Dimensionless current Hubble parameter:

$$h \equiv H_0 / (100 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}) \approx H_0 \times 9.7846 \text{ G}$$

- Friedmann equation:

$$\begin{aligned} H^2 &= \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho - \frac{kc^2}{a^2} \\ &= H_0^2 [\Omega_\gamma (1+z)^4 + \Omega_m (1+z)^3 + \Omega_k (1+z)^2 + \Omega_\Lambda] \end{aligned}$$

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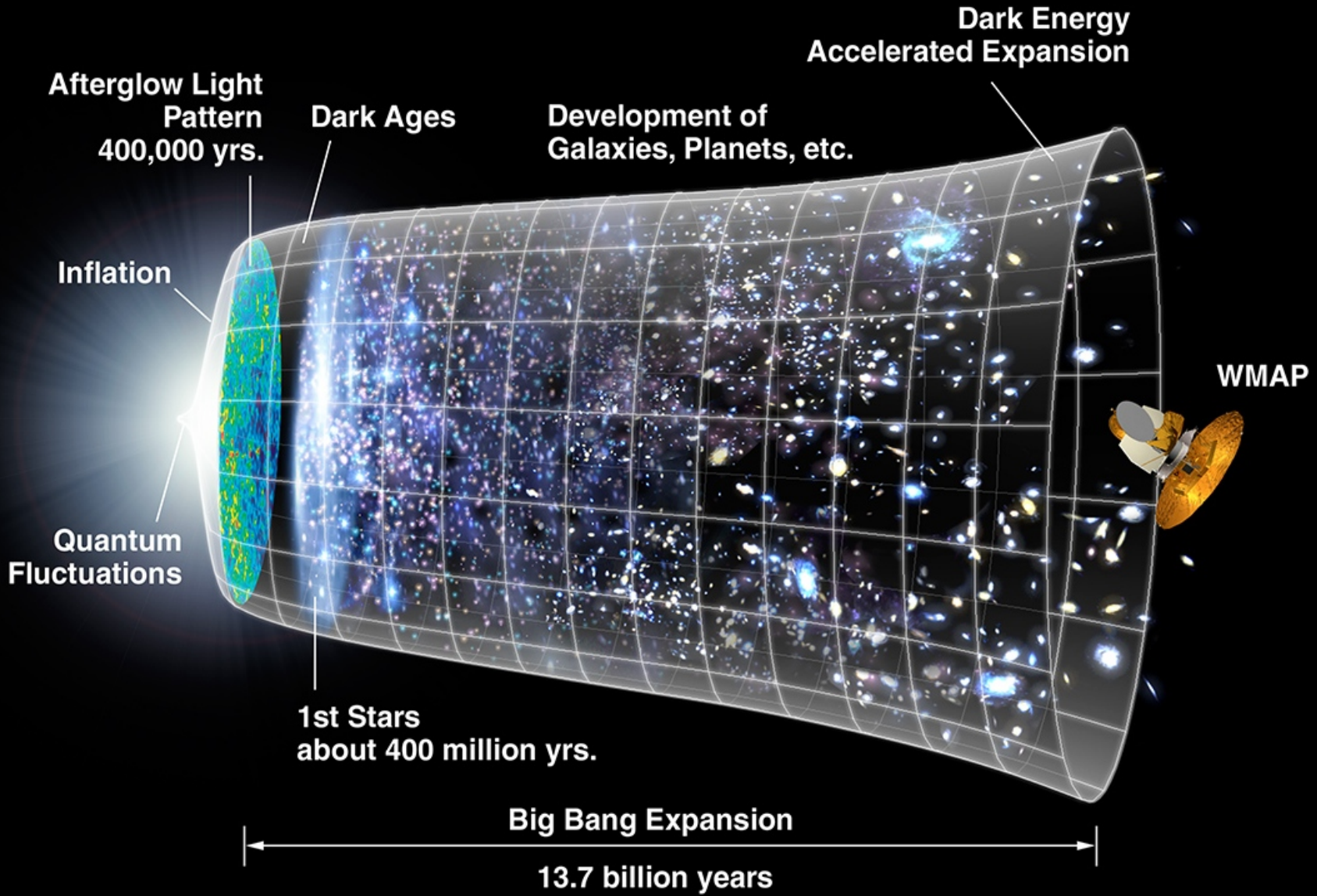
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Image courtesy of WMAP/NASA.



Evidence 1:

The Universe *is*  
expanding!

$$v=Hr$$

# Evidence 2:

Cosmic microwave  
background exists

$$T \approx 2.726\text{K}$$

# Evidence 3:

## Big Bang


## Nucleosynthesis

## happened

(correctly predicts the abundance  
of light elements)

## Evidence for Big Bang:

- Observed galaxy recession (Hubble's law)
- Existence of CMB
- Correct predictions of big bang nucleosynthesis
- Darkness of night sky! (Olber)
- Distant objects look younger



*Plenty enough bang  
for most people to  
call "big" ...*

## Evidence for *what*, exactly?

Our entire observable universe was once as hot as the core of the Sun, doubling its size in a under a second.

- *Not* evidence for a singularity

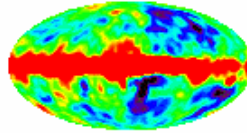


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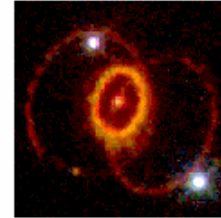
Max Tegmark

## Today's topic: Cosmology roundup

- See [nyd\\_darkenergy.pdf](#) (Thanks Anthony Kesich!)
- Evidence for Big Bang?
- What do we know? Common misconceptions
- What don't we know? Hot research questions
- My “day job”

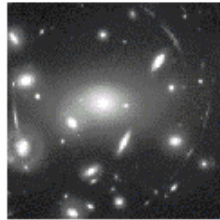


CMB



DISTANT  
SUPERNOVAE

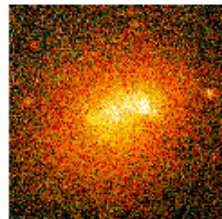
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SURVEYS



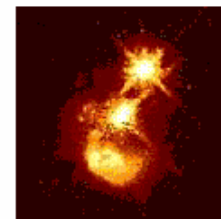
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# THE COSMIC SMÖRGÅSBORD

BIG BANG  
NUCLEOSYNTHESIS



GALAXY  
CLUSTERS



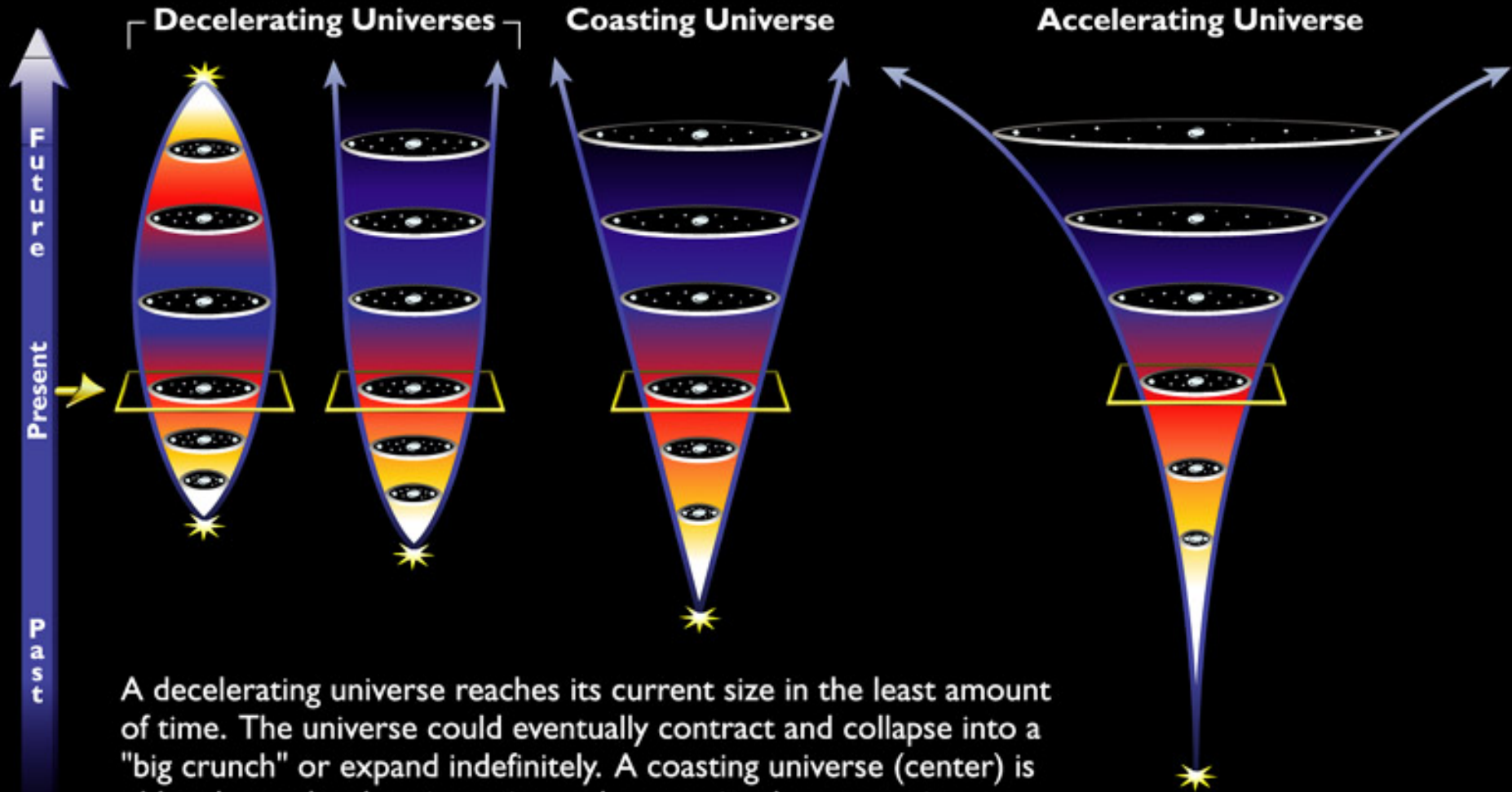
LYMAN ALPHA  
FOREST

# Mysteries for you to solve:

- What is dark matter?
- How did it all begin?  
(buzz word: inflation)
- How will it all end  
(buzz word: dark energy)

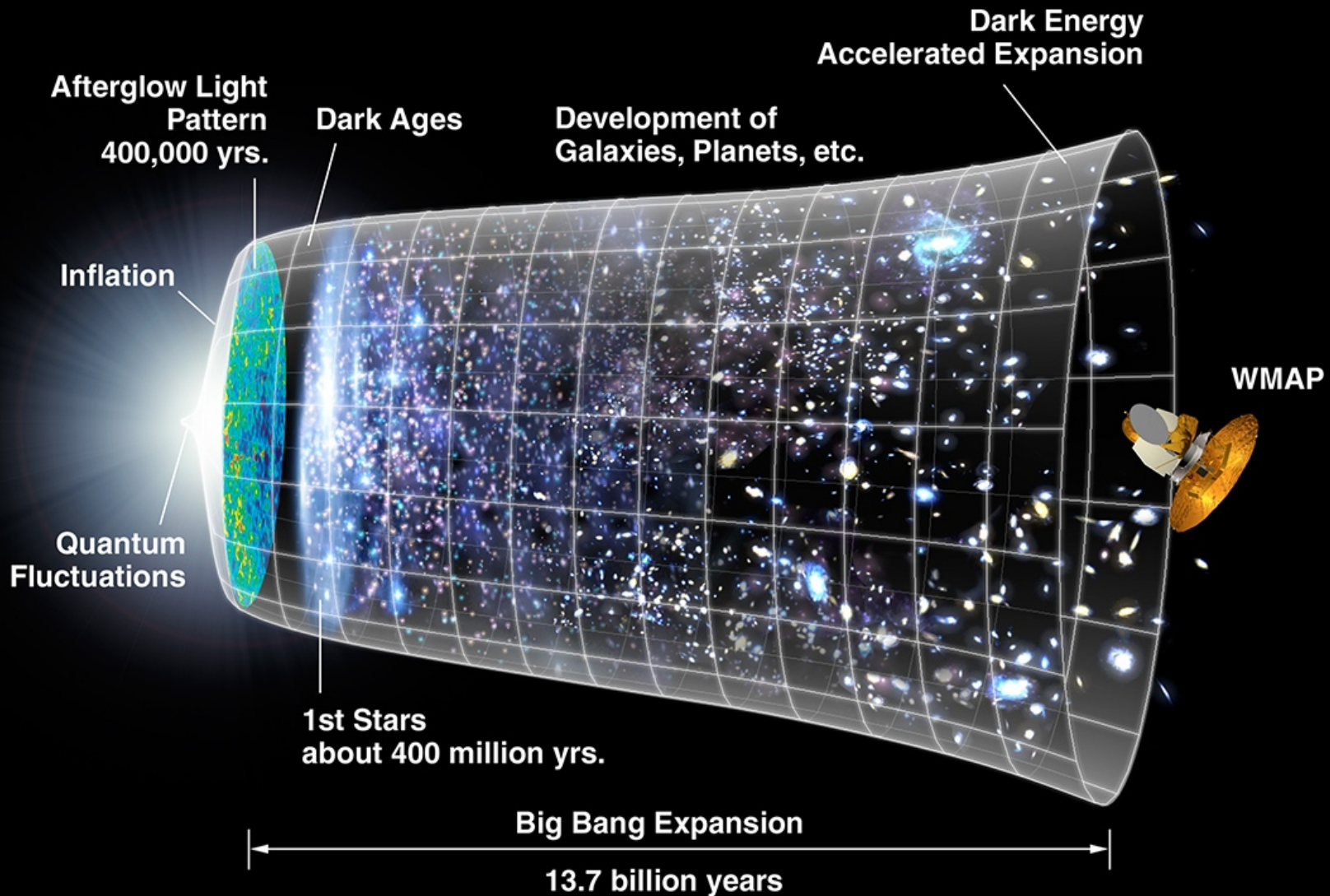
Mystery 1:  
How will it  
end?

# Possible Models of the Expanding Universe



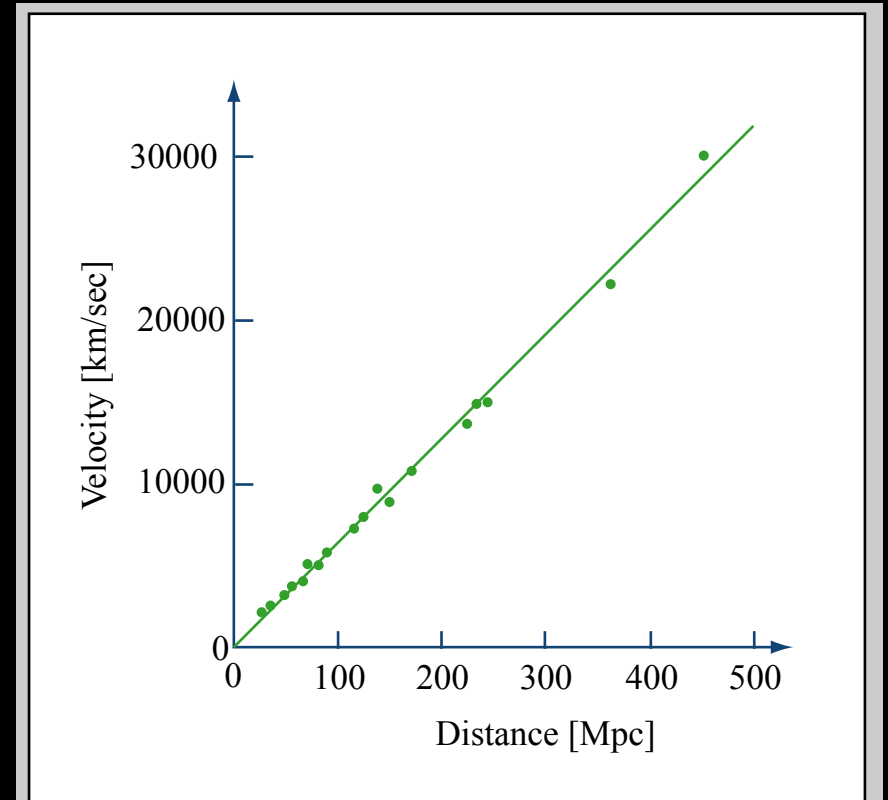
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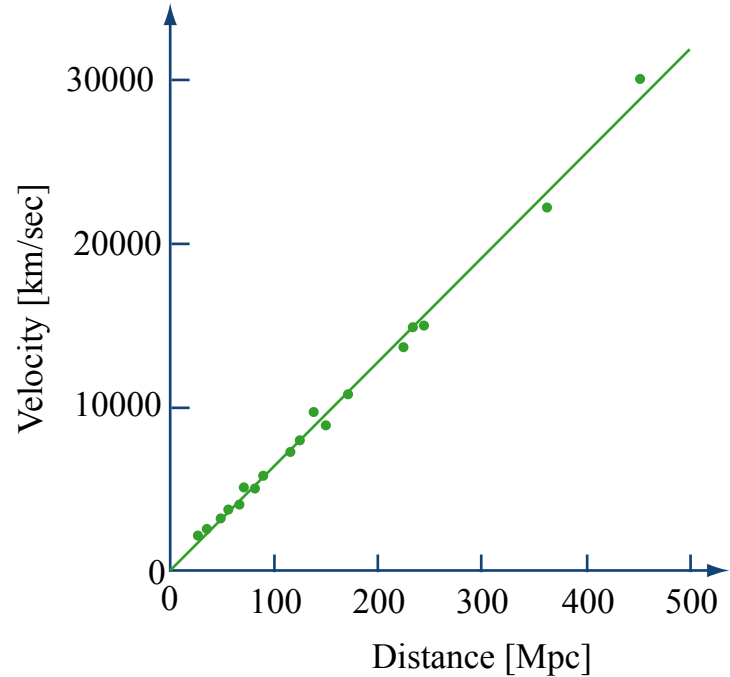


Dimming

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Standard candles,  
rulers or clocks

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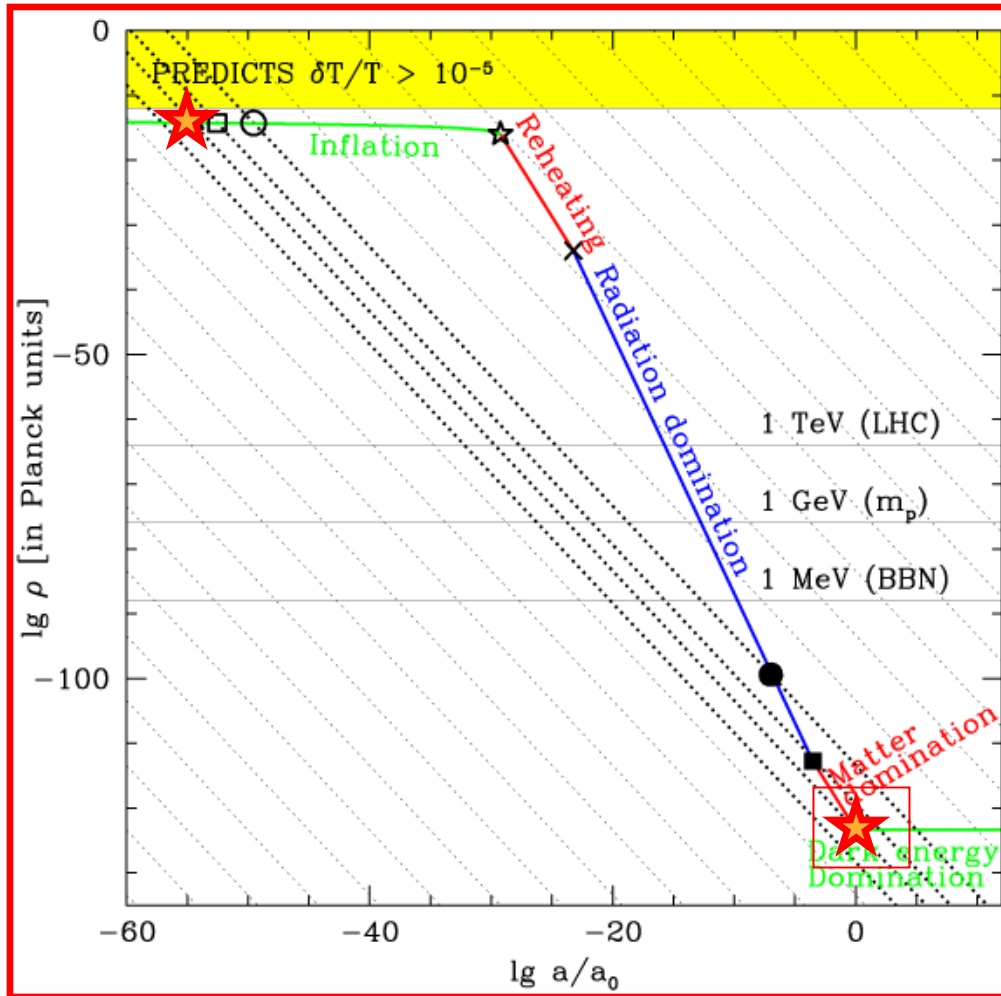
Boom  
zoom

From Saul Perlmutter's web site

Figure 12 from Reiss et al, "New Hubble Space Telescope Discoveries of Type Ia Supernovae at  $z > 1$ : Narrowing Constraints on the Early Behavior of Dark Energy." <http://arxiv.org/abs/astro-ph/0611572>

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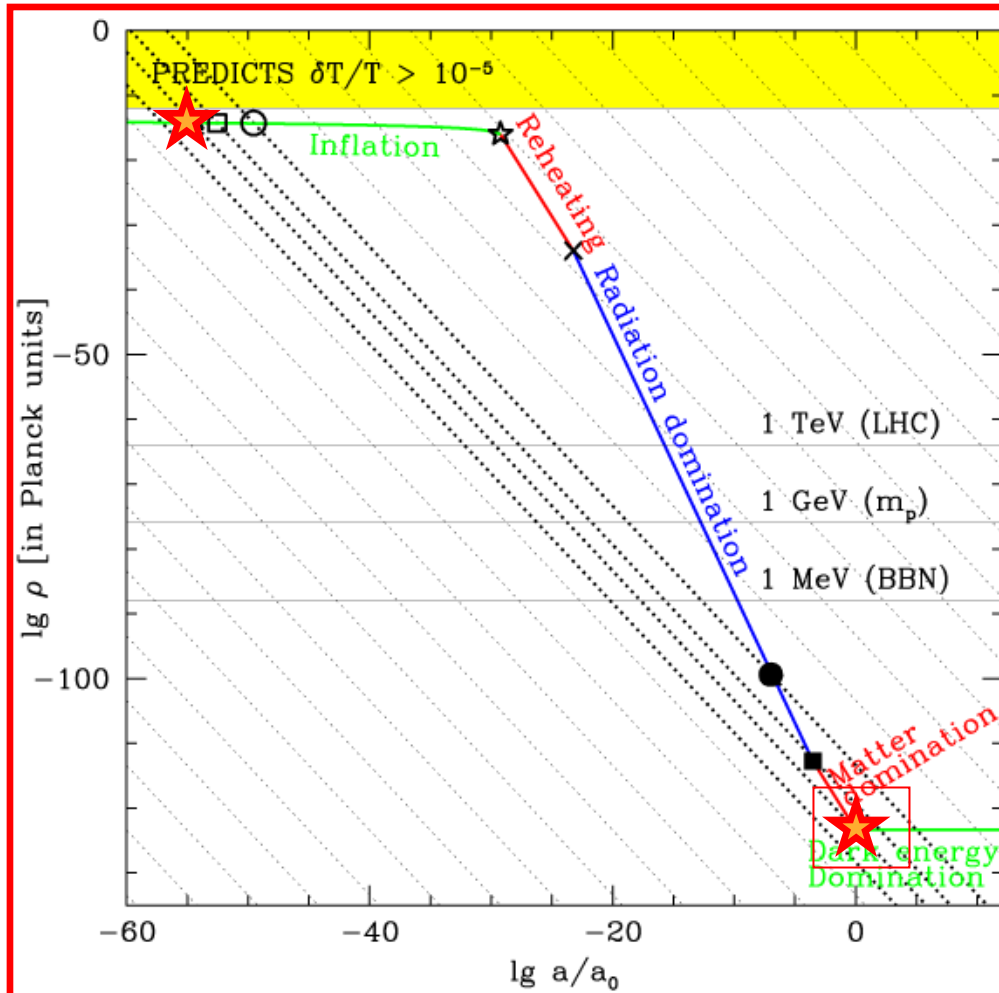


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# Mystery 2: What is dark matter?



# Brief History of our Universe

Fluctuation generator

Fluctuation amplifier

INFLATION

CMB last scattering

first stars

present day

fraction of a second

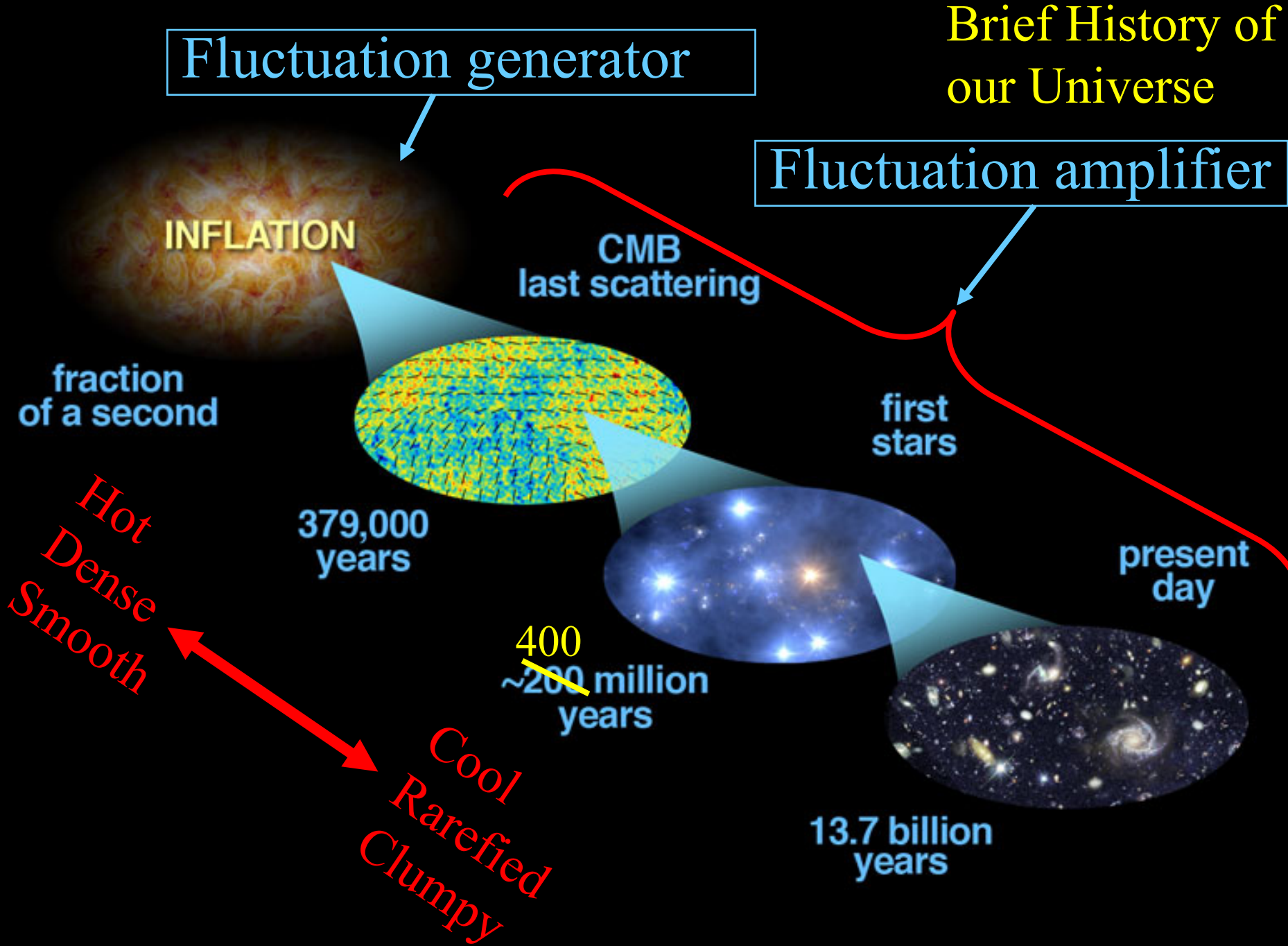
379,000 years

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Fluctuation generator

What do we want to measure?

Fluctuation amplifier

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# Evidence 4:

The fine details of  
cosmic clumpiness



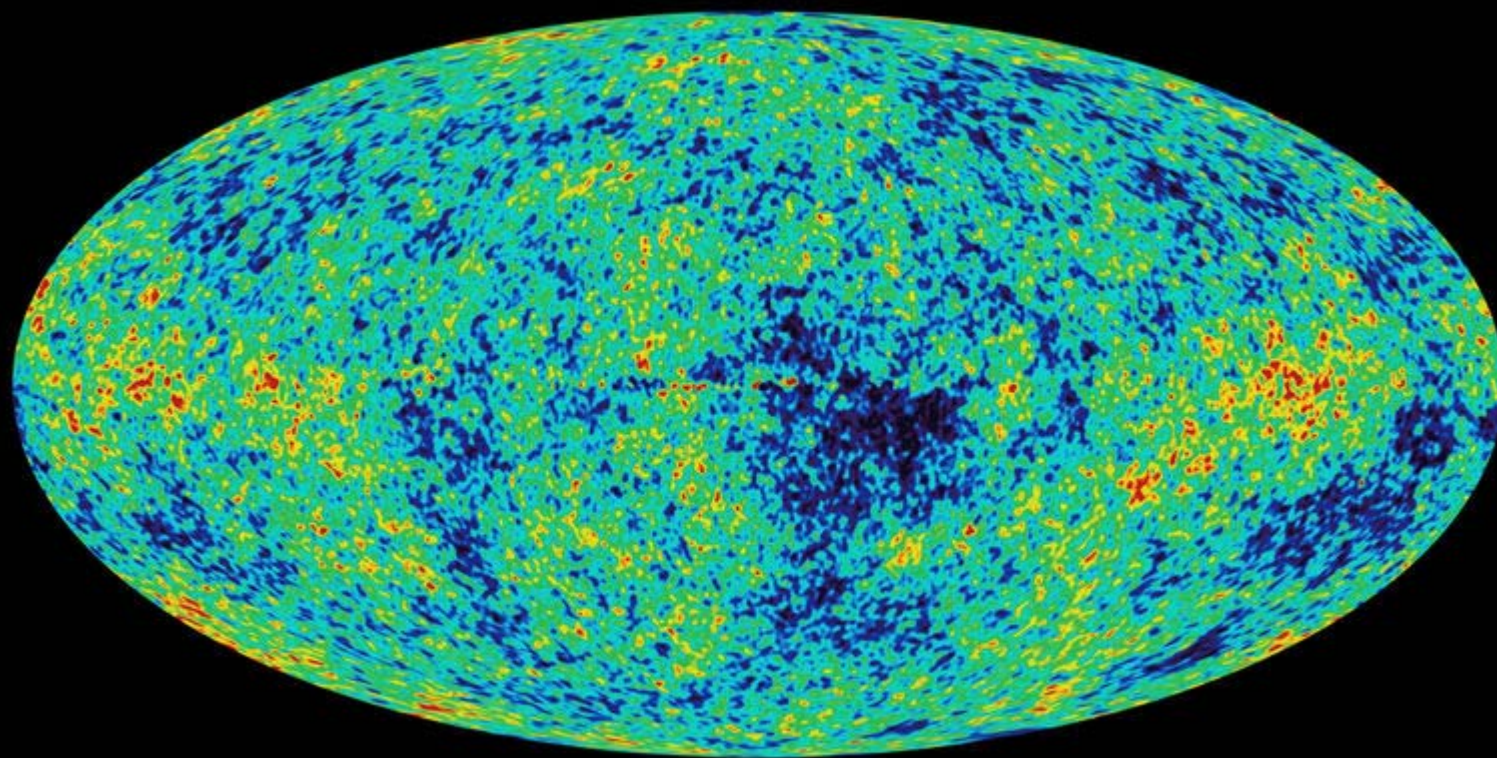


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**$z = 1000$**

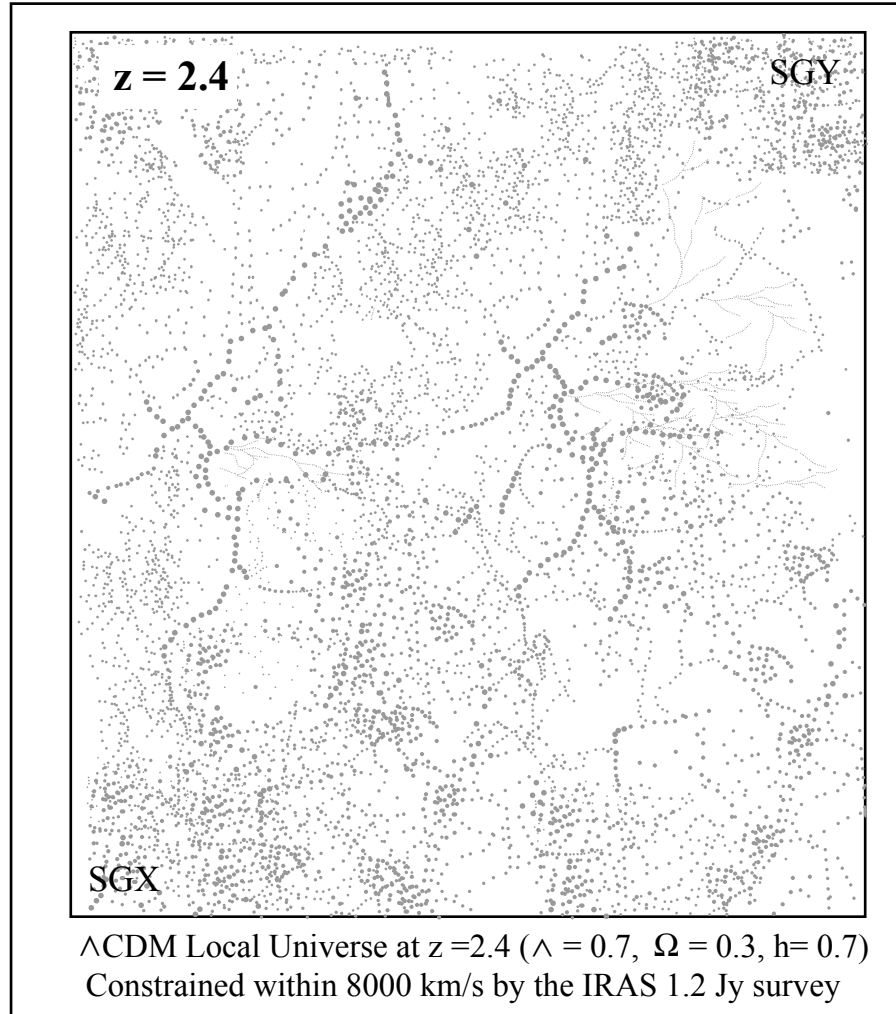


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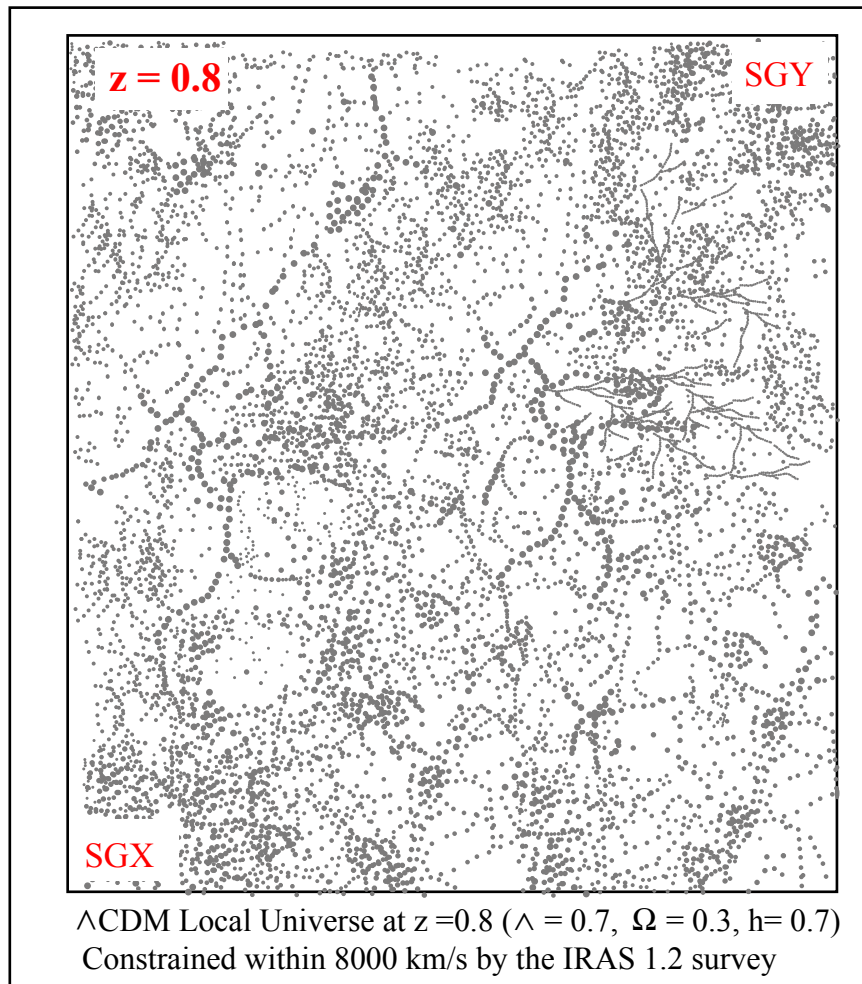


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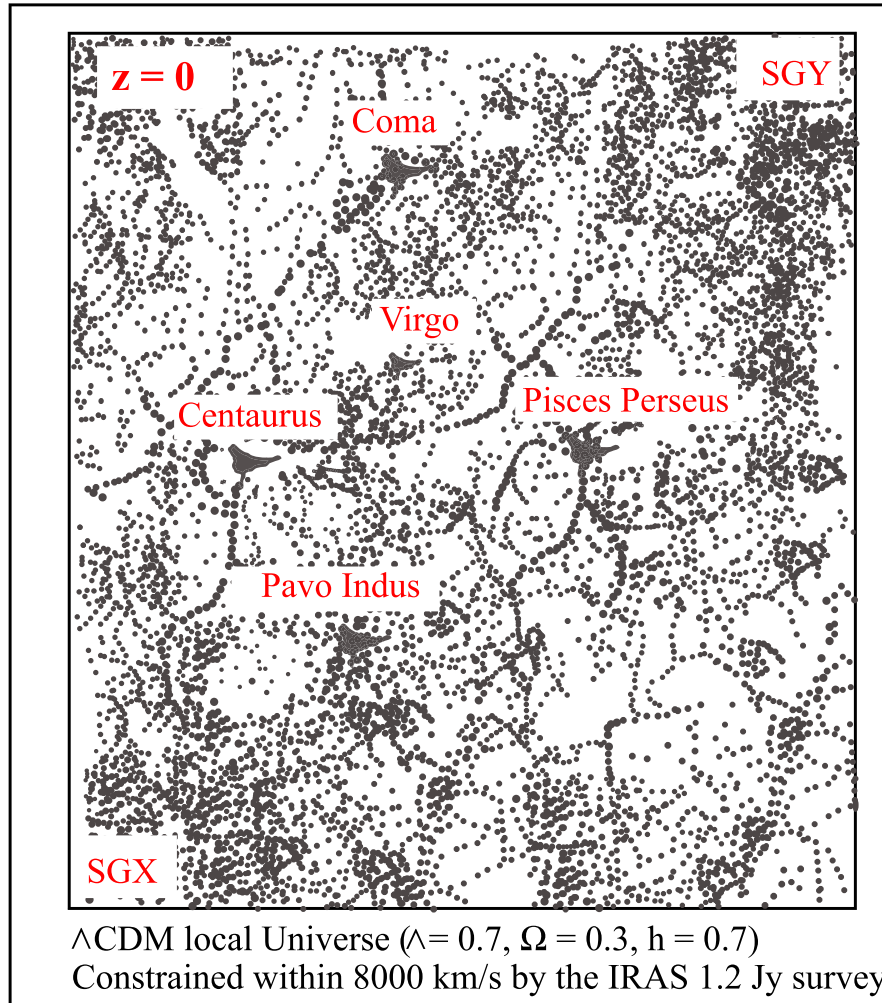


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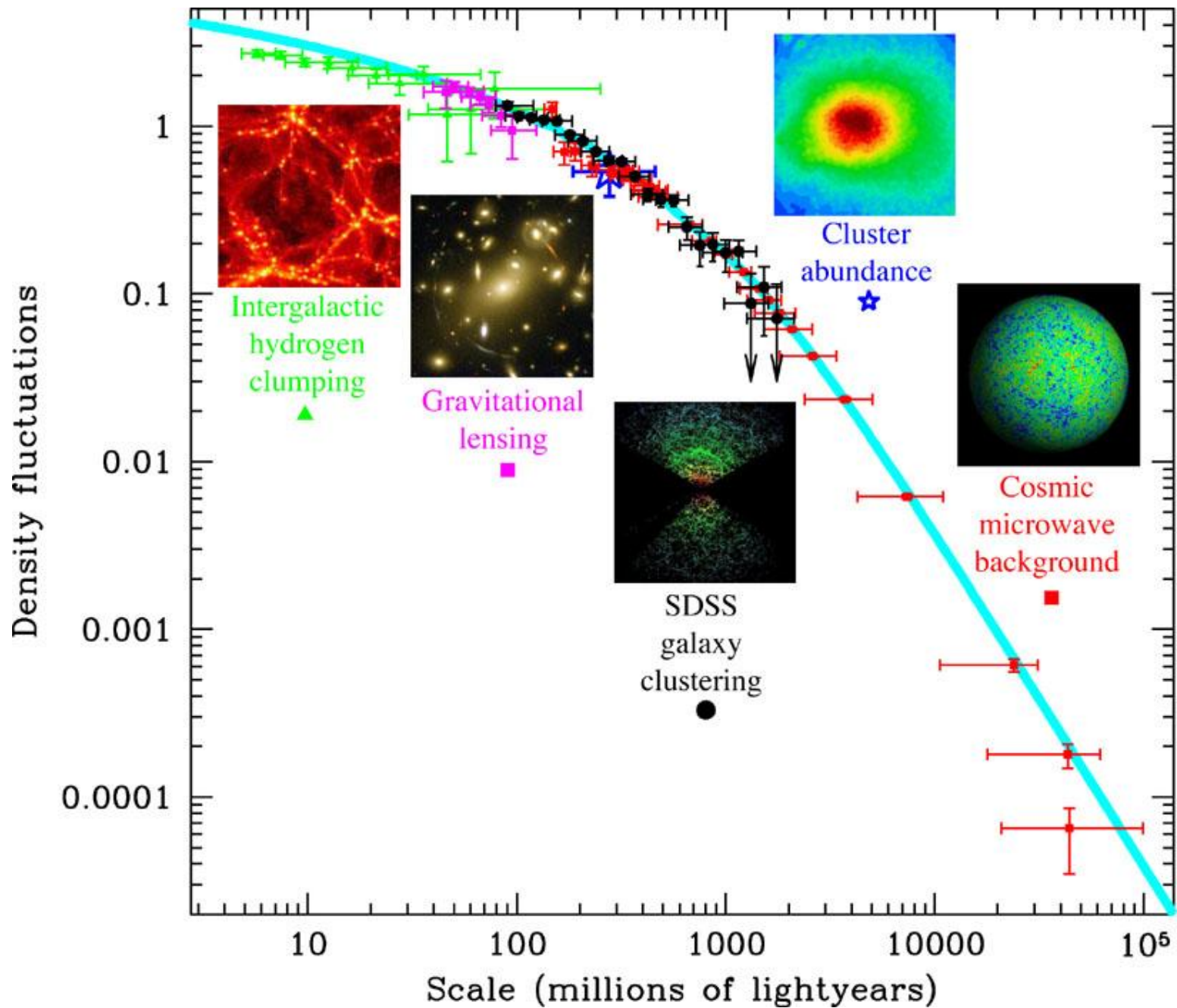
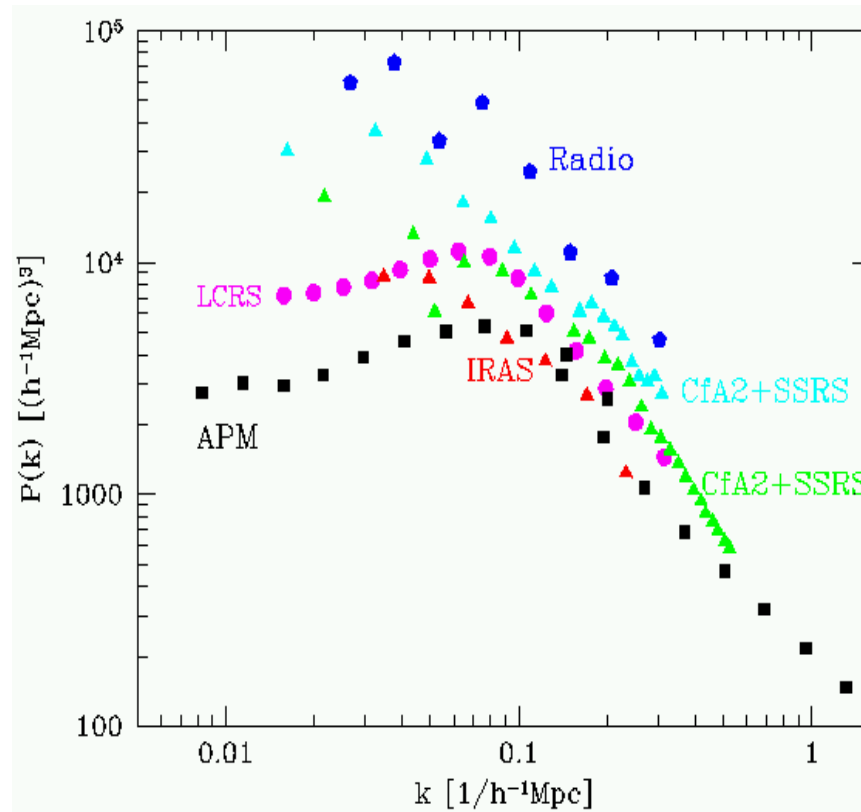


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Galaxy power spectrum measurements 1999  
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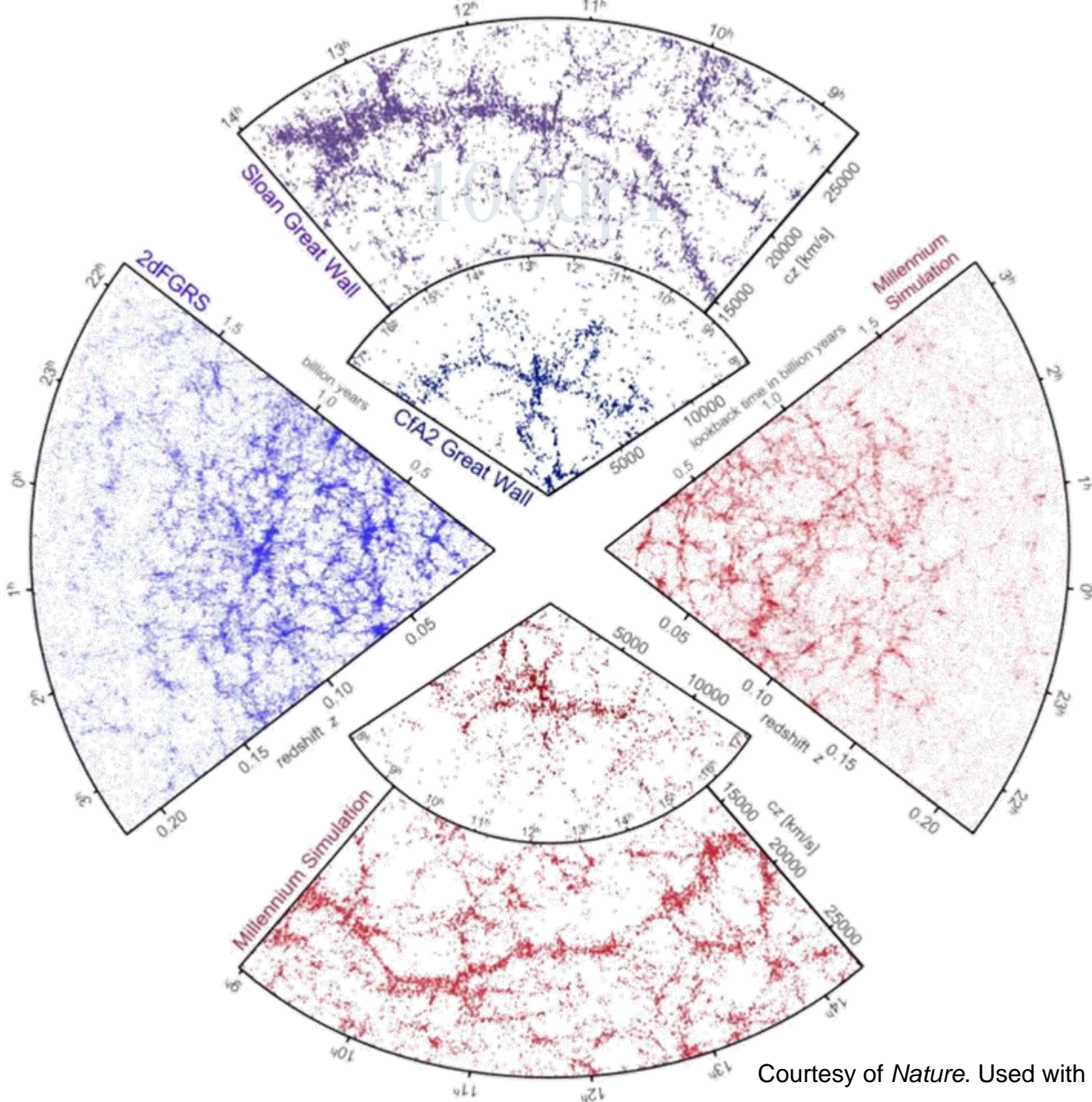
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# SDSS



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Theory and  
measurement  
agree!

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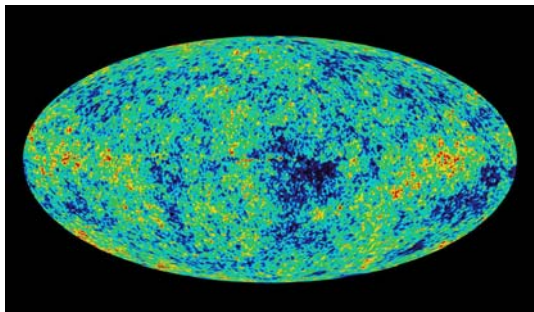


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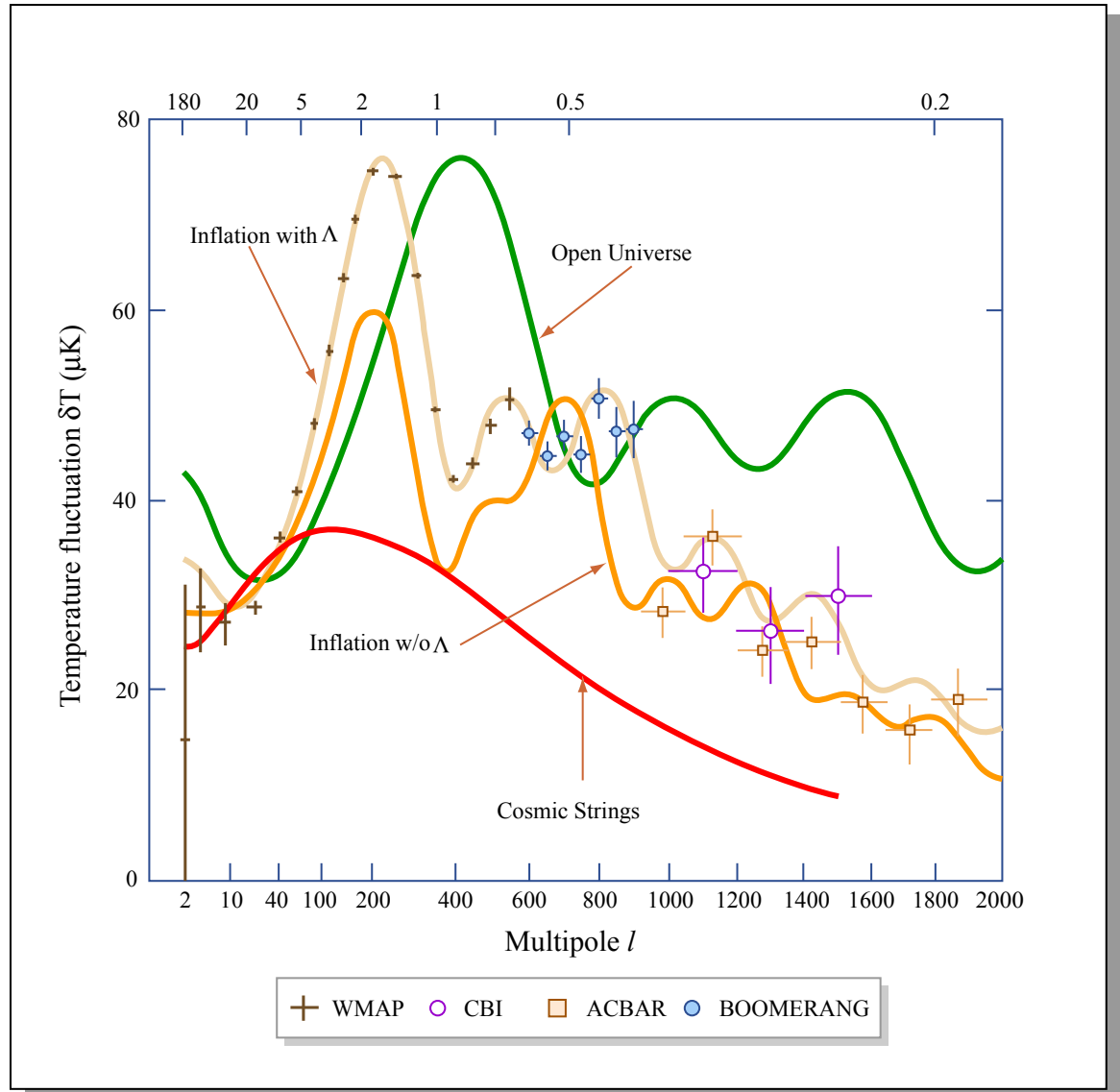


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*Guth & Kaiser 2005, Science*

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Lyman Alpha Forest Simulation: Cen et al 2001  
astro-ph/0407378

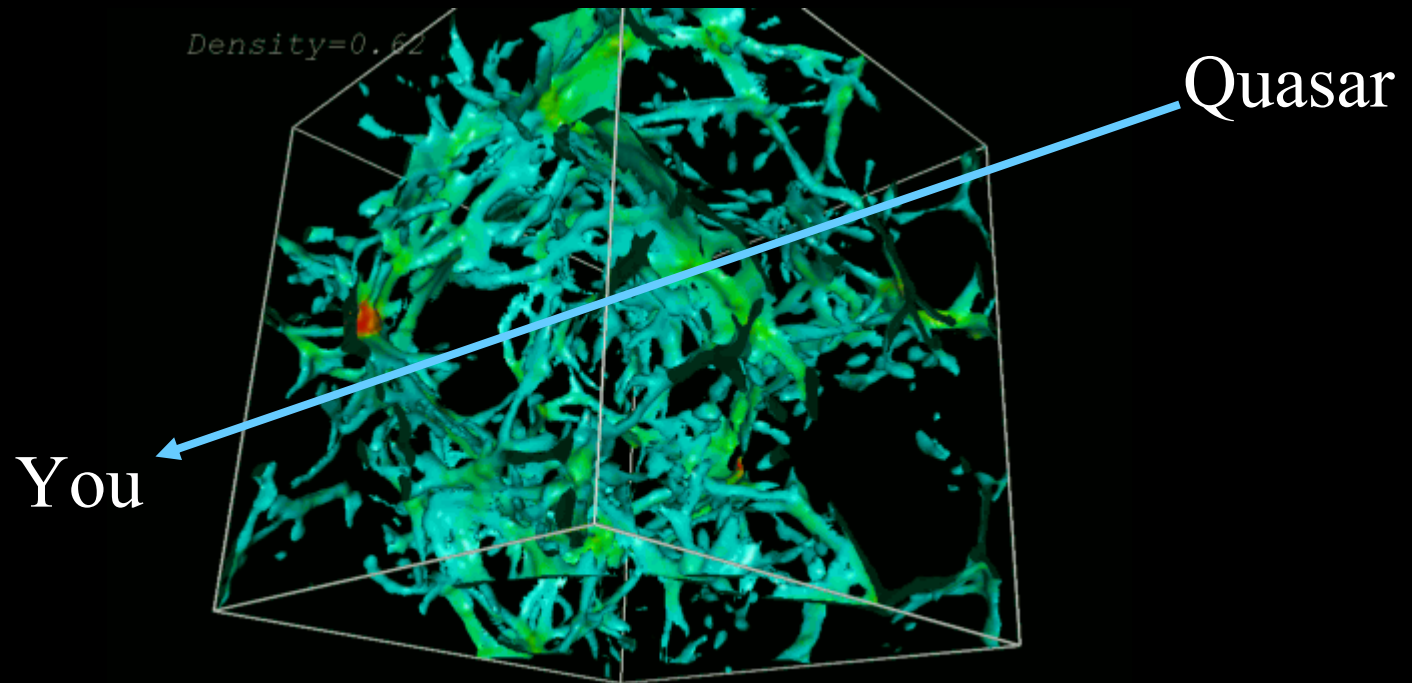


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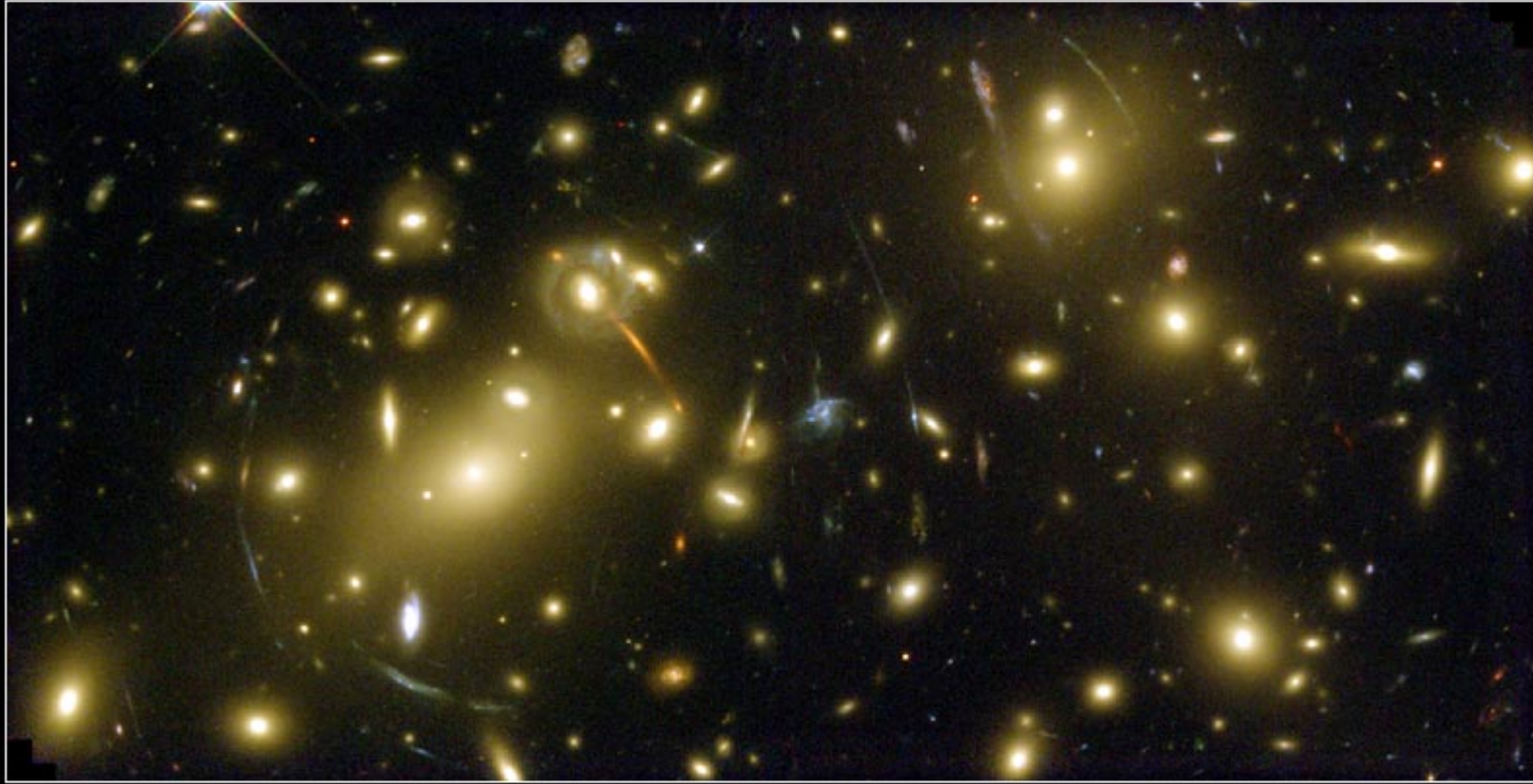
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# Gravitational lensing



Lensing



**Galaxy Cluster Abell 2218**

NASA, A. Fruchter and the ERO Team (STScI, ST-ECF) • STScI-PRC00-08

**HST • WFPC2**

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# Lensing

*What you HAVE:*

*What you SEE:*

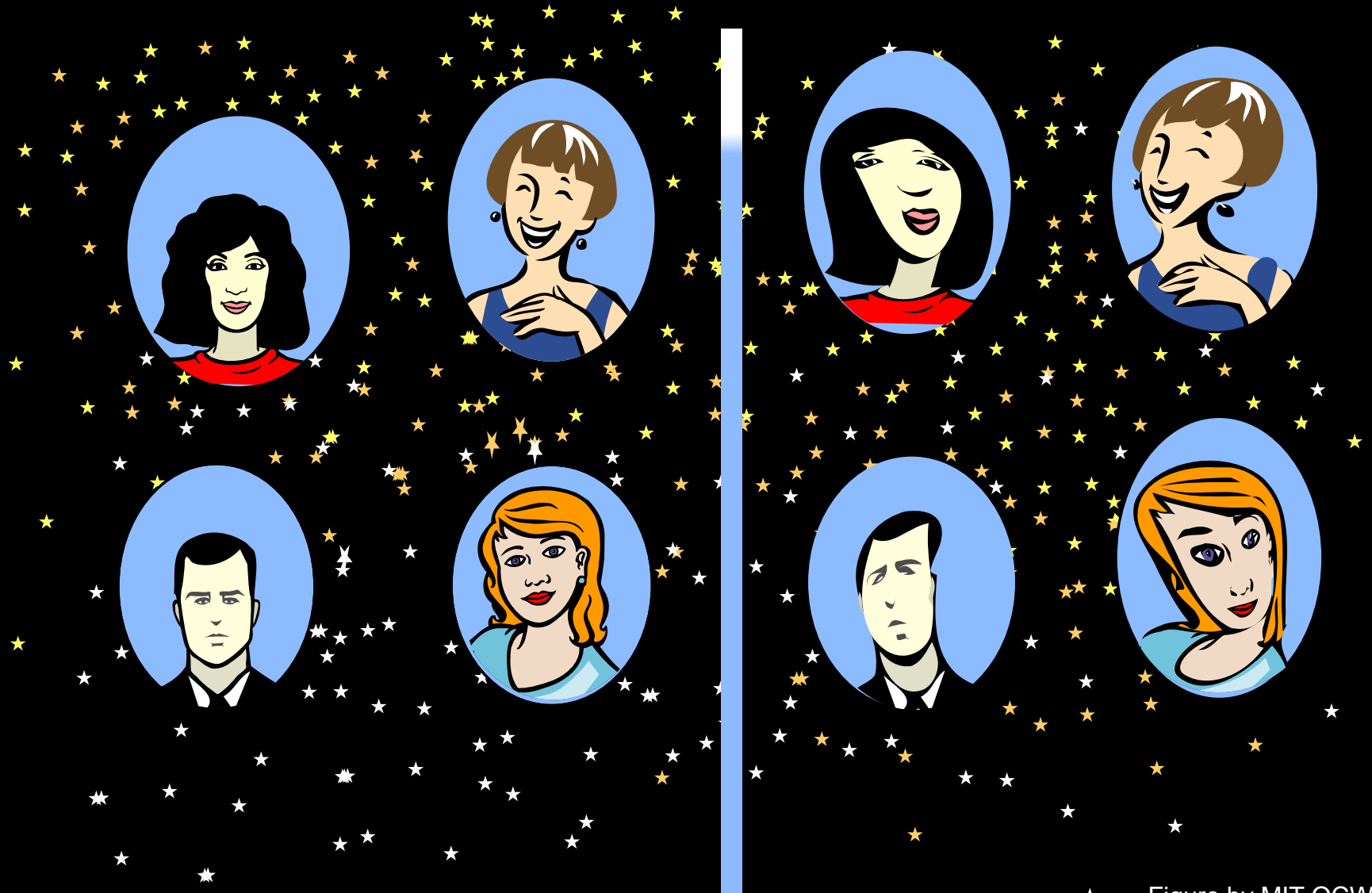
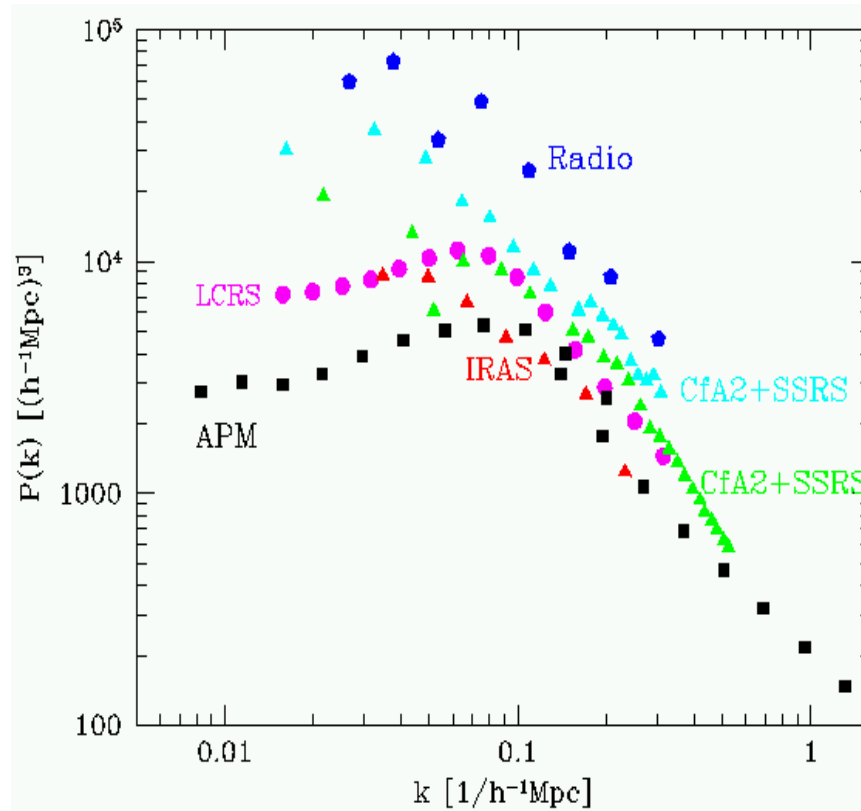


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But the best is  
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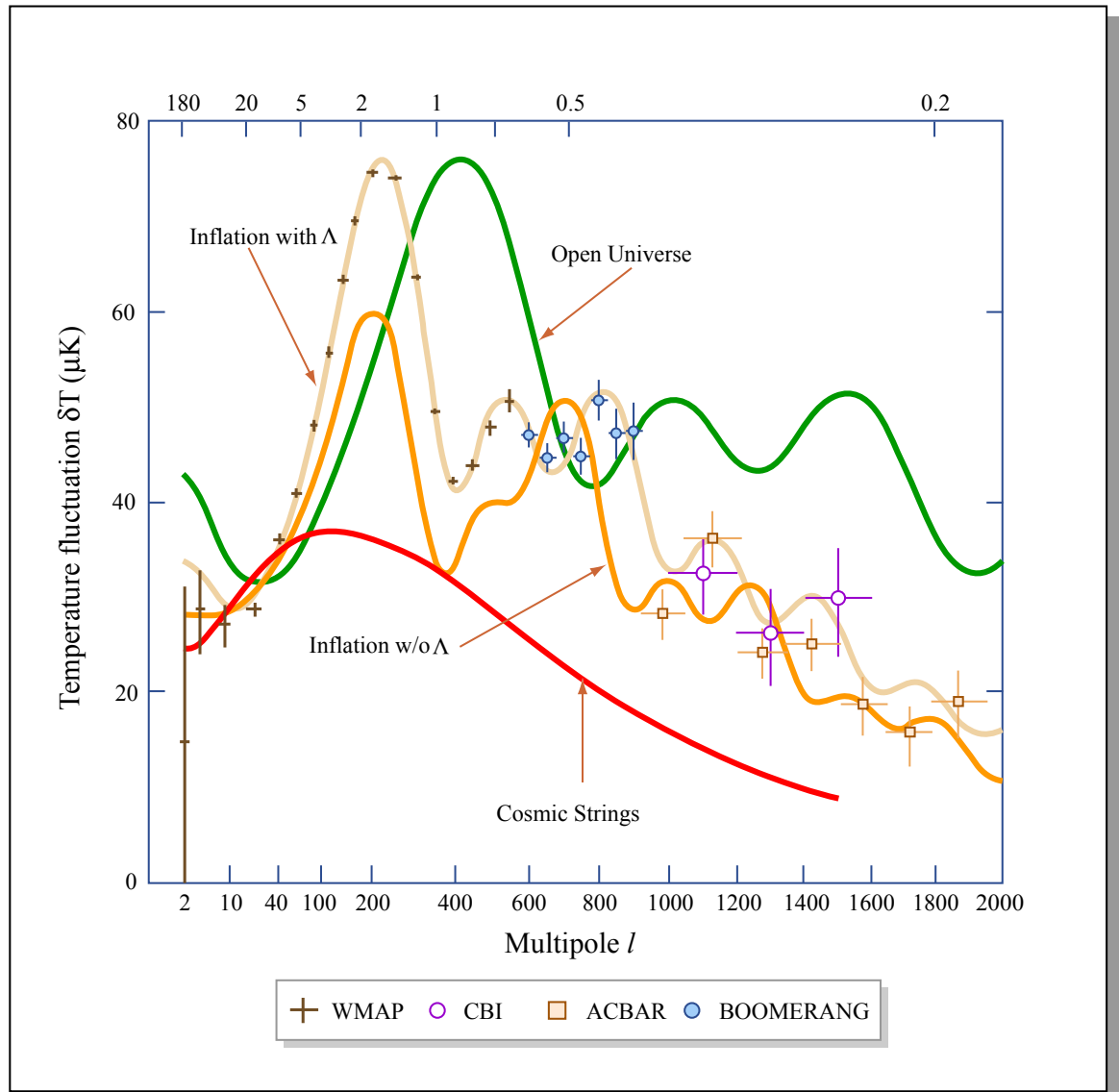


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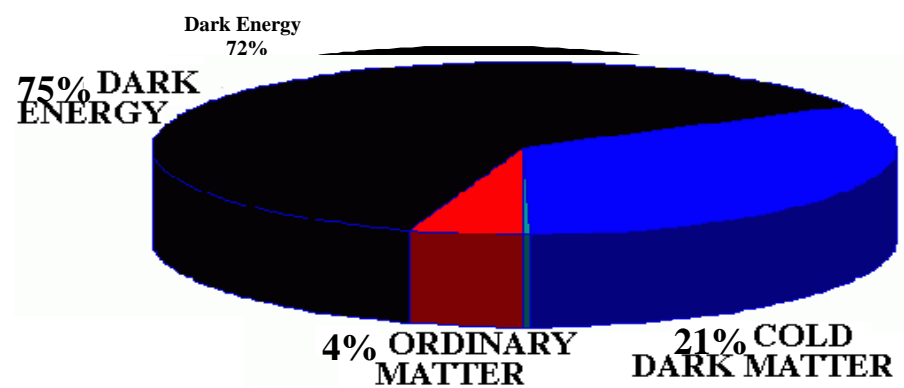
Figure 4 from Guth and Kaiser,  
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Dark matter par movie

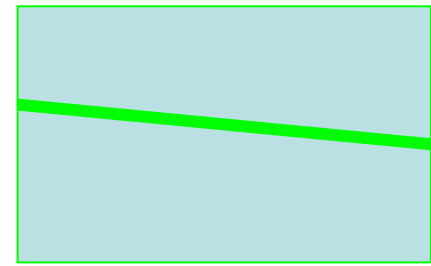


# Using WMAP3 + SDSS LRGs:

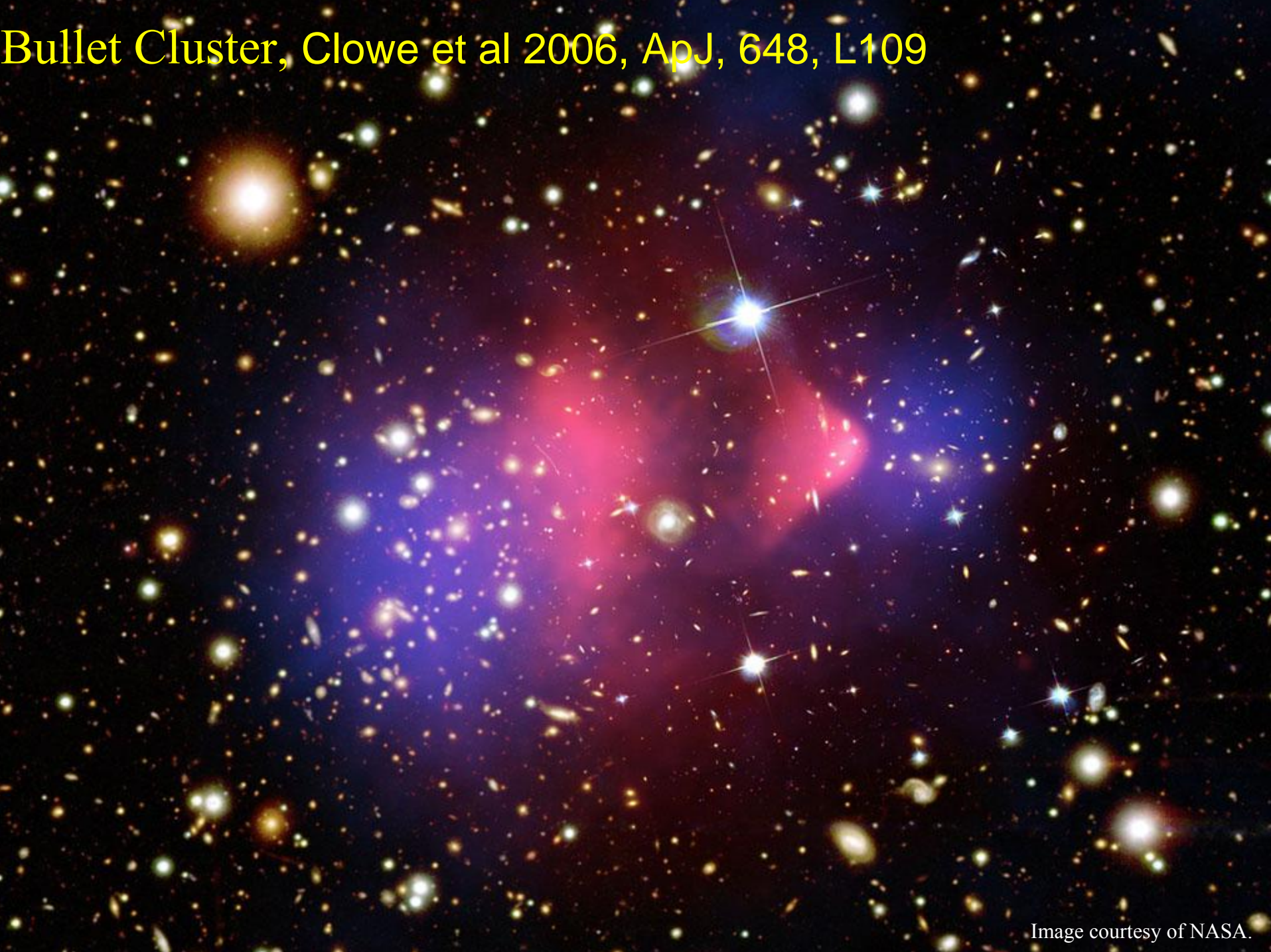
- Ordinary Matter
- Dark Energy
- Cold Dark Matter
- Hot Dark Matter
- Photons
- Budget Deficit



Parameter	Value	
<b>Matter budget parameters:</b>		
$\Omega_{\text{tot}}$	$1.003^{+0.010}_{-0.009}$	Total density/critical density
$\Omega_{\Lambda}$	$0.761^{+0.017}_{-0.018}$	Dark energy density parameter
$\omega_b$	$0.0222^{+0.0007}_{-0.0007}$	Baryon density
$\omega_c$	$0.1050^{+0.0041}_{-0.0040}$	Cold dark matter density
$\omega_{\nu}$	$< 0.010$ (95%)	Massive neutrino density
$w$	$-0.941^{+0.087}_{-0.101}$	Dark energy equation of state
<b>Seed fluctuation parameters:</b>		
$A_s$	$0.690^{+0.045}_{-0.044}$	Scalar fluctuation amplitude
$r$	$< 0.30$ (95%)	Tensor-to-scalar ratio
$n_s$	$0.953^{+0.016}_{-0.016}$	Scalar spectral index
$n_t + 1$	$0.9861^{+0.0096}_{-0.0142}$	Tensor spectral index
$\alpha$	$-0.040^{+0.027}_{-0.027}$	Running of spectral index



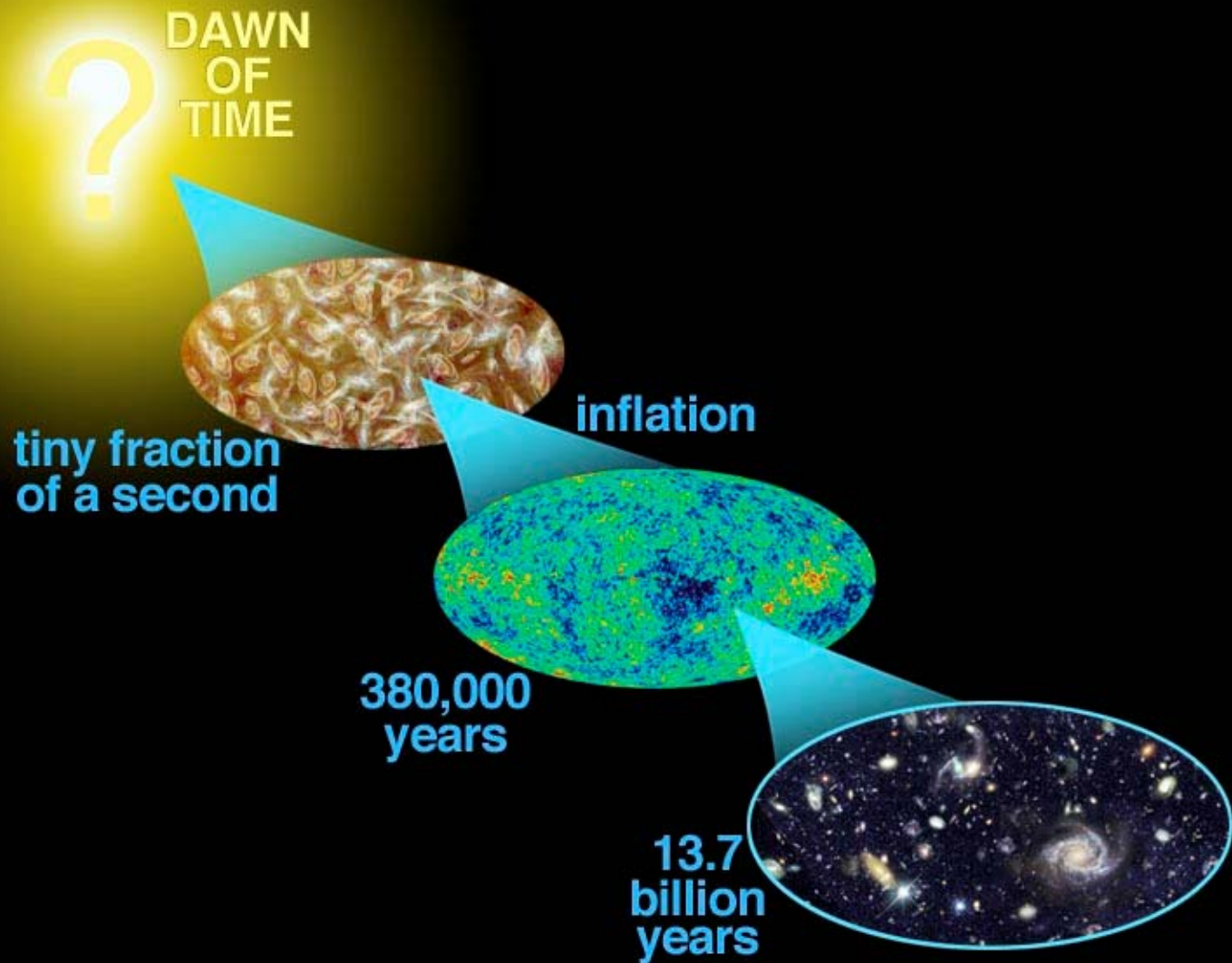
# Bullet Cluster, Clowe et al 2006, ApJ, 648, L109



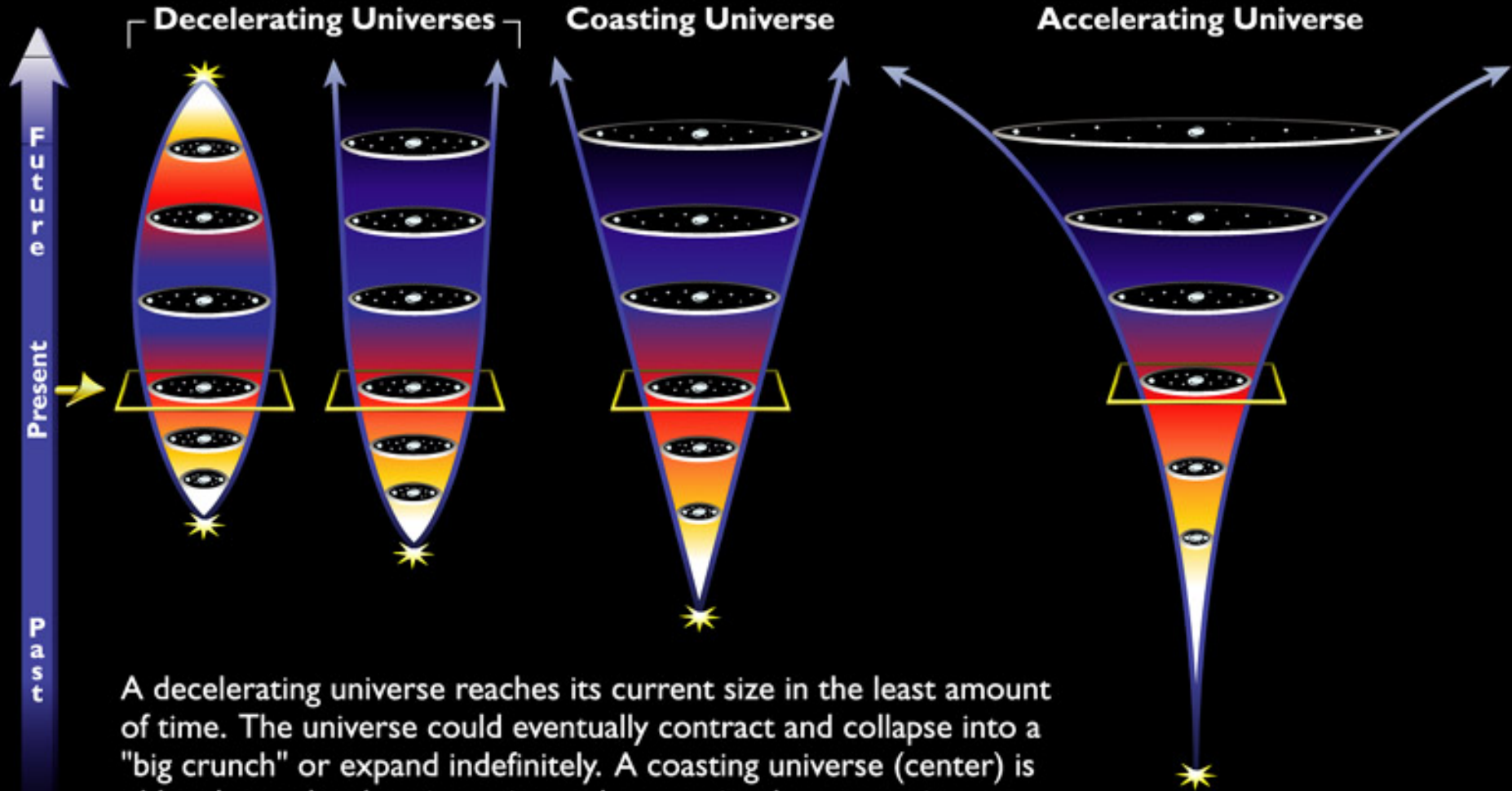
Mystery 3:

How did it begin?





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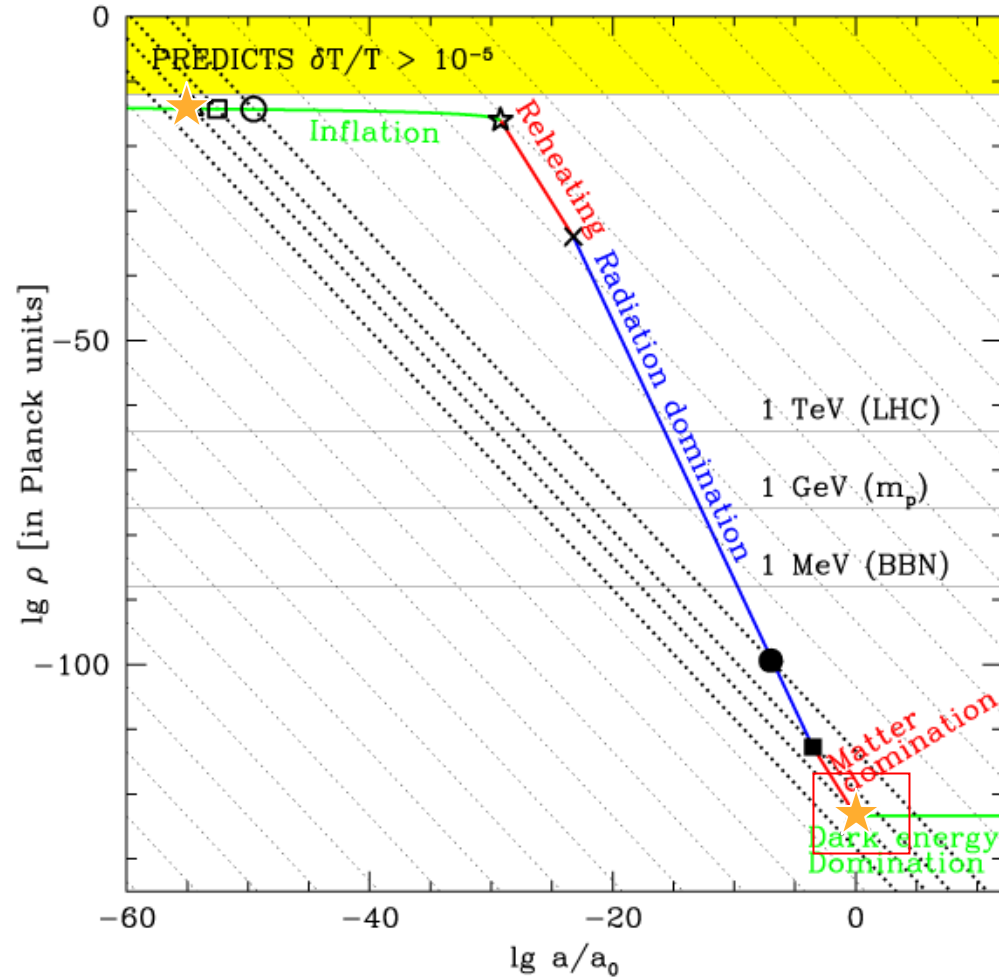


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# Evidence #1 for inflation:

MT et al 2006, astro-ph/0608632

## Space is very flat

$$\Omega_{\text{tot}} = 1.003 \pm 0.010$$

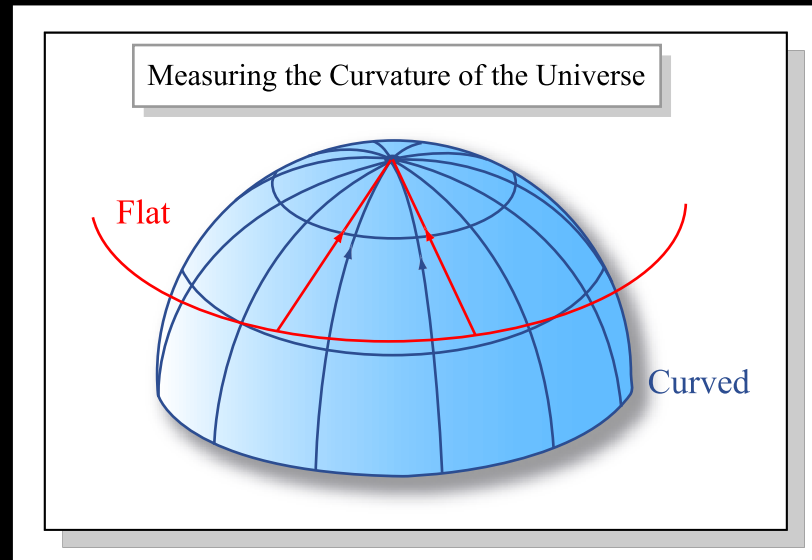


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How flat is space?  $\Omega_{\text{tot}}=1.003\pm 0.010$

Figure 15 from Tegmark et al, “Cosmological Constraints from the SDSS Luminous Red Galaxies”

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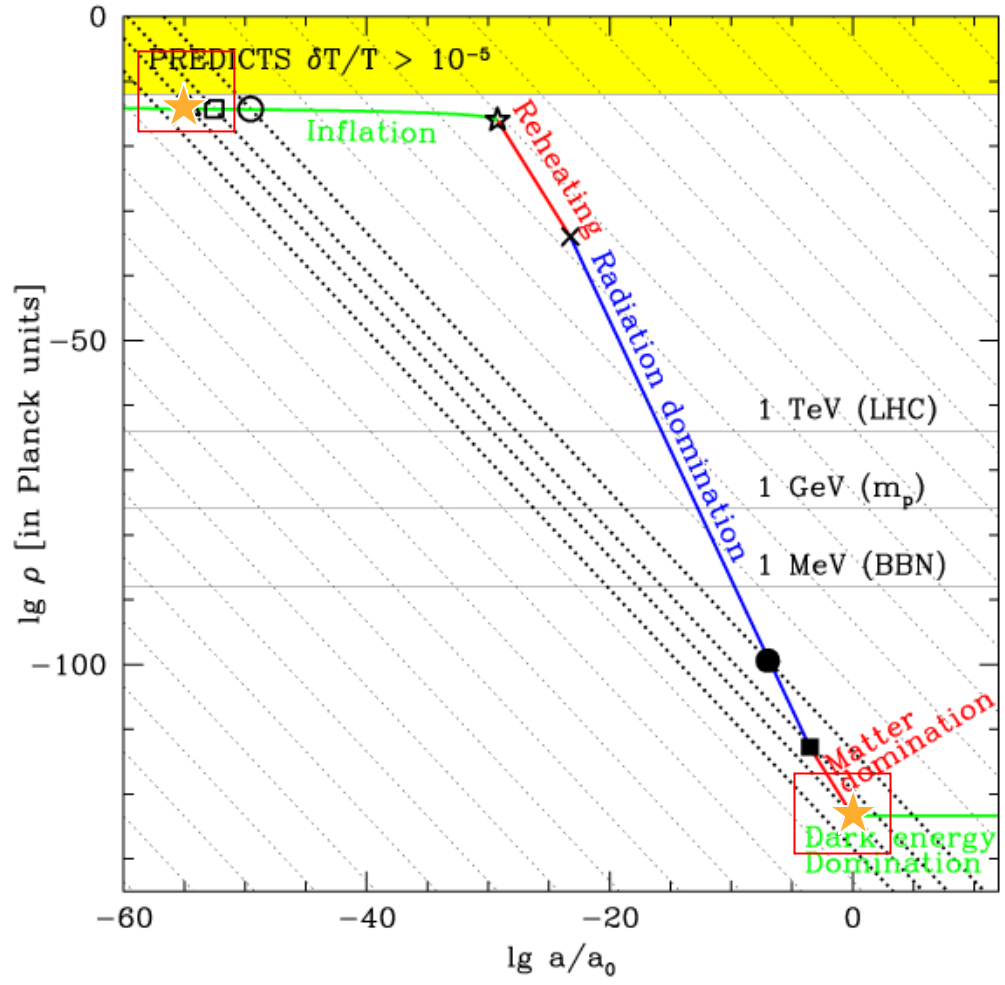


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What we've called "the Big Bang" wasn't  
the beginning, but the end...  
...of inflation!

Linde, Andrei "[The Self-Reproducing Inflationary Universe](#)" Scientific American, Vol. 271,  
No. 5, pages 48-55, November 1994.

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- What is dark matter?
- How did it all begin?  
(buzz word: inflation)
- How will it all end  
(buzz word: dark energy)

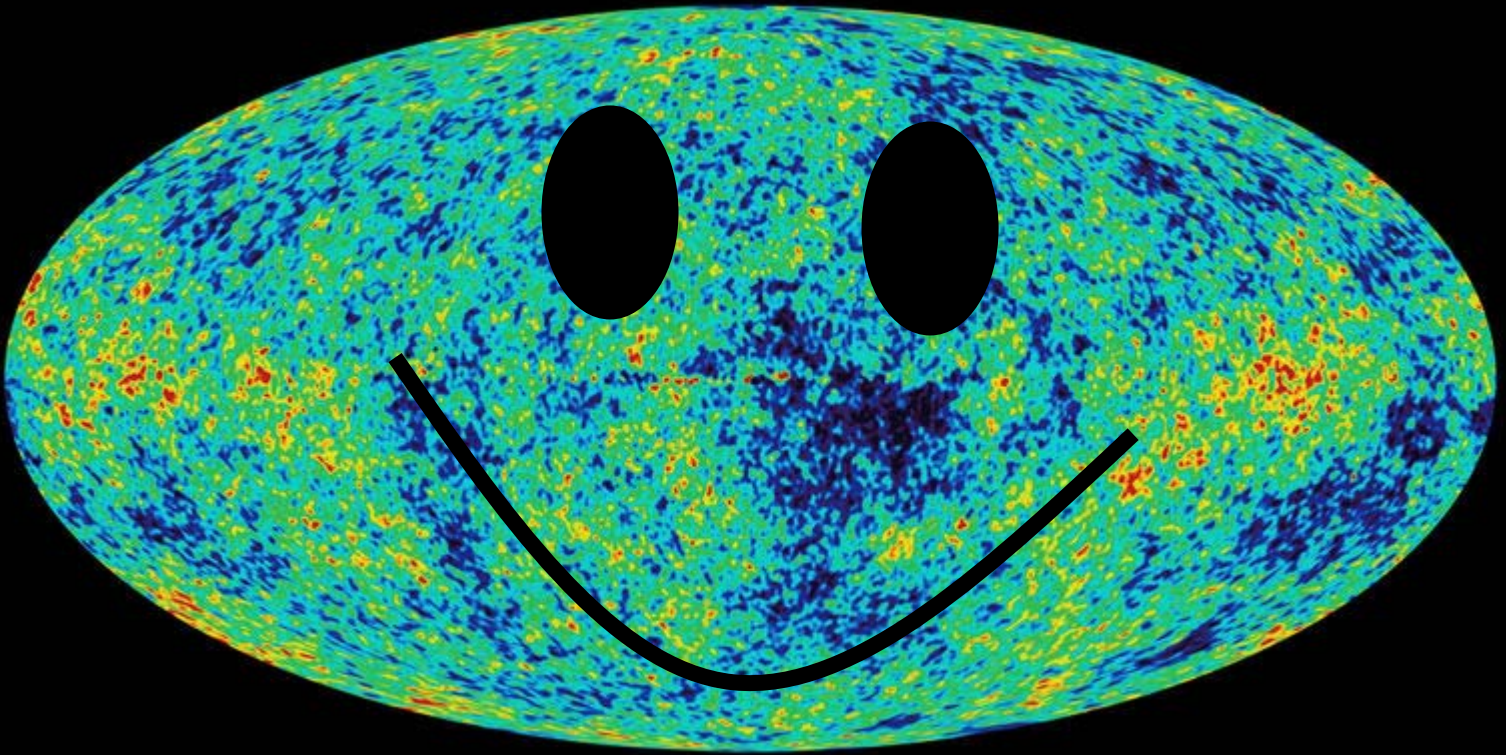


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Summary of what we know about  
our metric.

Coming next...

# BLACK HOLES