

Cosmic microwave background and large-scale structure

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Plan...

1. Review: Homogeneous and isotropic universe
2. Inhomogeneities I: cosmological perturbation theory
3. Inhomogeneities II: Boltzmann equation
4. Initial conditions
5. Approximate solutions I: matter density perturbations
6. Approximate solutions II: CMB temperature fluctuations
7. Cosmological parameters from CMB temperature anisotropies

5.11 The matter power spectrum...

- Just as inflation predicts only the fluctuation statistics, we can also only measure the clustering statistics of matter.
- Lowest order: 2-point spectrum (**matter power spectrum**):

$$\langle \delta_m(\mathbf{k}, \eta) \delta_m(\mathbf{k}', \eta) \rangle = (2\pi)^3 \delta_D^{(3)}(\mathbf{k} + \mathbf{k}') P_\delta(k, \eta)$$

- From theory:

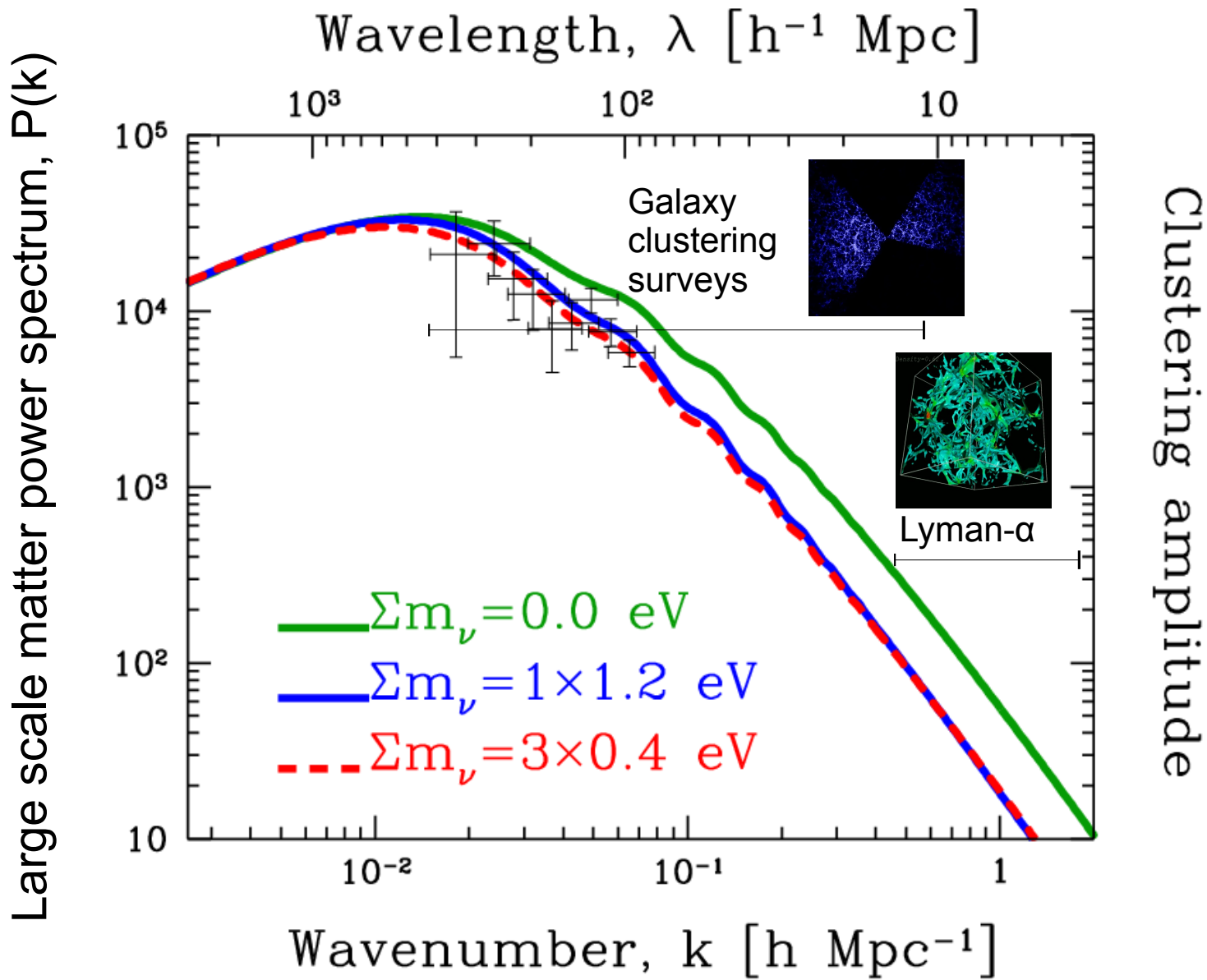
Einstein equation in
the subhorizon limit

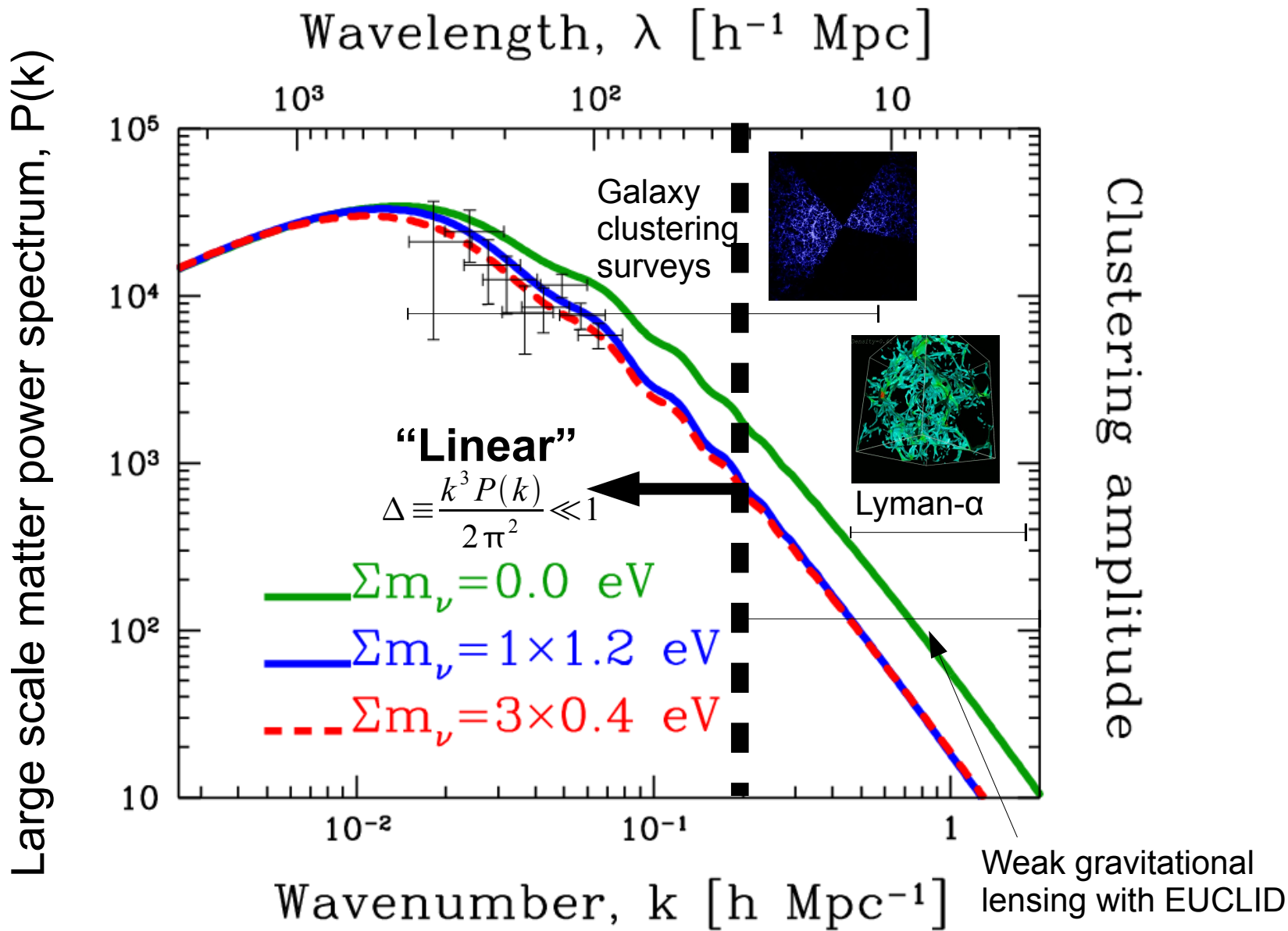
Transfer function

From section 4.4

$\propto k^{n_s-4}$

$$P_\delta(k, \eta) = \frac{4}{9} \frac{k^4 a^2(\eta)}{\Omega_m^2 H_0^4} P_\Phi(k, \eta) = \frac{4}{9} \frac{k^4 a^2(\eta)}{\Omega_m^2 H_0^4} T^2(k, \eta) P_{\Phi_p}(k)$$





5.11 The matter power spectrum...

- What to do in the **nonlinear regime**?
 - **Higher order perturbation theory**
 - It's fun, but applicability is limited.
 - **Numerical simulations (N-body)**
 - Discretise fluid into point particles moving under each other's gravity → Works for non-interacting matter.
 - Tracking baryons on cluster/galaxy scales ($k > 1 \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$) requires hydrodynamics.

5.11 The matter power spectrum: bias...

- We do not observe the actual matter density field.
 - Rather, we observe **tracers**, and **assume** that their clustering properties follow those of the underlying matter density field.
- For **galaxy surveys**, this means the assumption:

$$\frac{\delta n_{\text{gal}}(k)}{\bar{n}_{\text{gal}}} = b \delta_m(k) \quad b = \text{bias}$$

- The bias value depends on the tracers; **cannot** be predicted from first principles...
- Expected to be constant for small k modes, but certainly becomes **scale-dependent** for large values of k ...

Sloan Digital Sky Survey DR 4

Luminous red galaxies

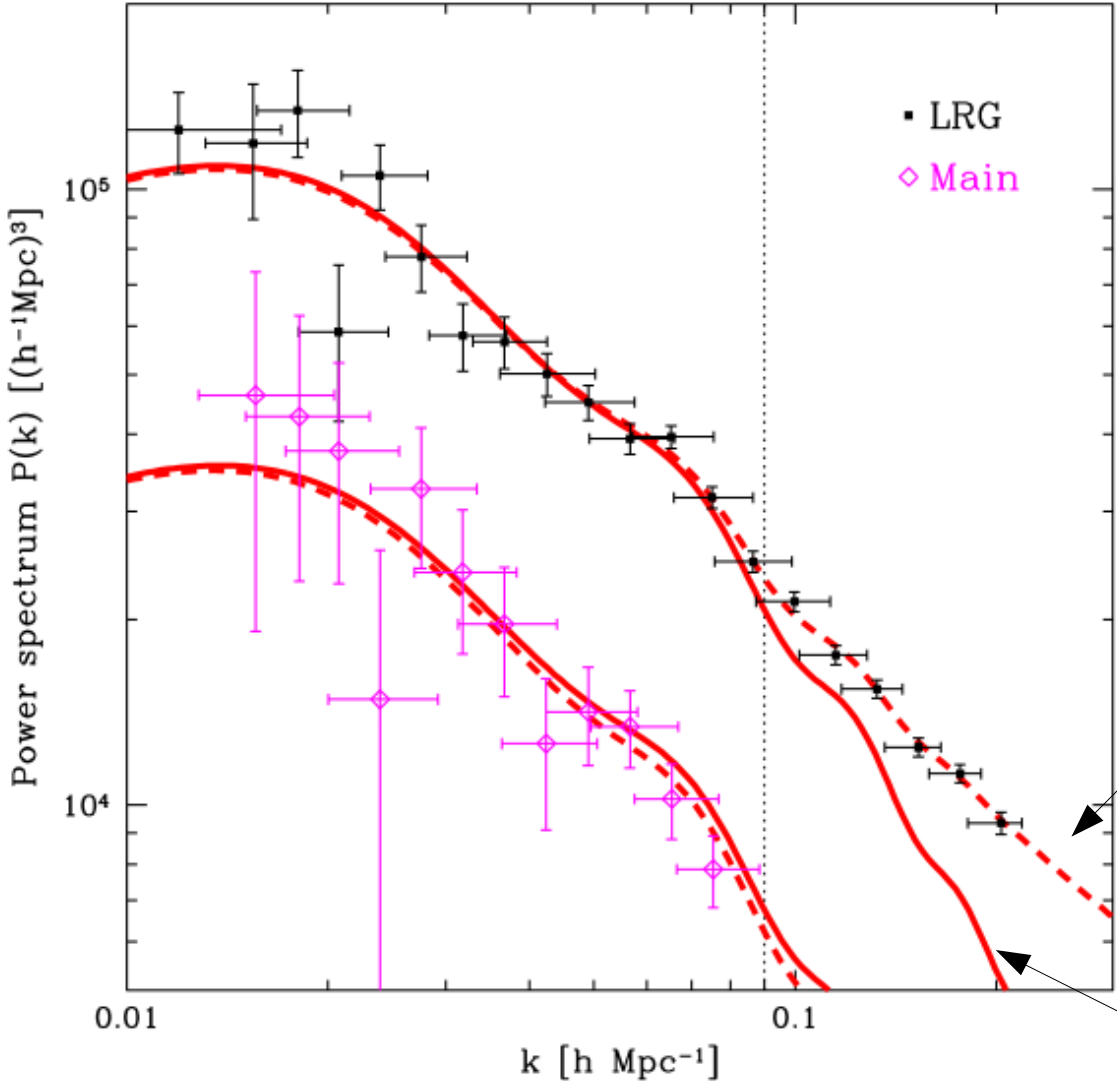
Main galaxy sample

• LRG

◇ Main

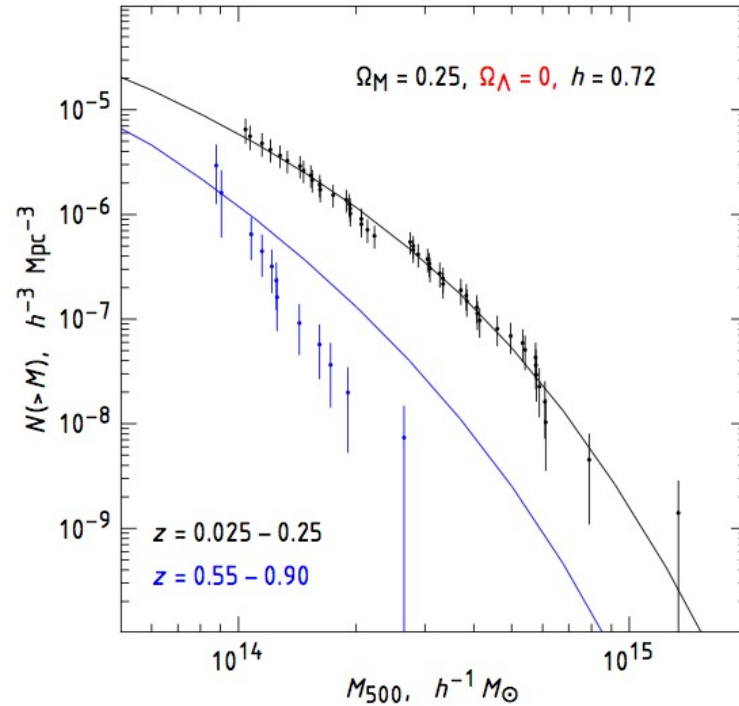
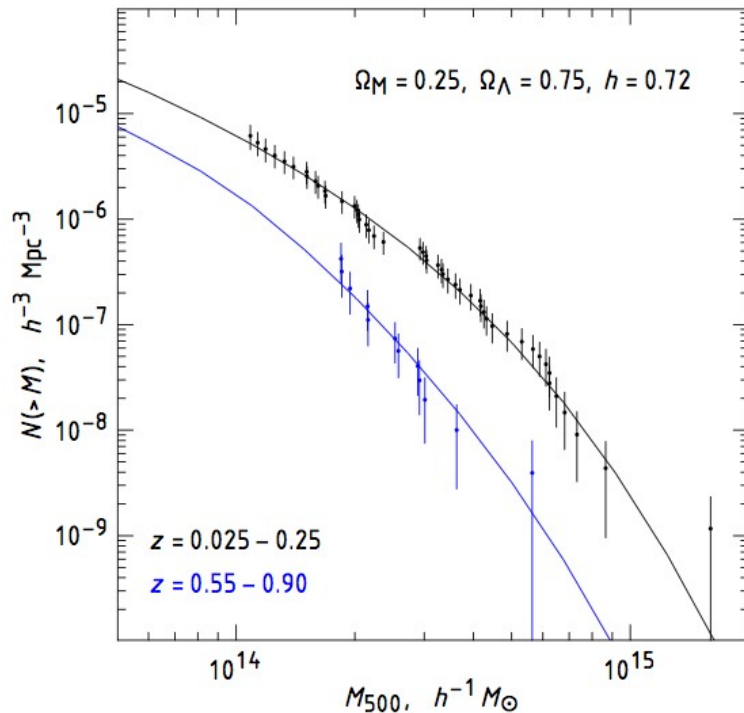
Empirically corrected for scale-dependent bias

Inferred power spectrum for matter density field (up to a constant factor)



5.12 Cluster mass function...

- Another way to probe the large-scale structure distribution.
- CMF = **abundance** of galaxies/galaxy cluster as a function of mass.




5.12 Cluster mass function...

- Not exactly calculable from perturbation theory.
- But there are some **fitting functions** (calibrated against Λ CDM N-body simulations) using the linear matter power spectrum as input.

- e.g.,

$$f(M) = 0.315 \exp[-|\ln \sigma^{-1} + 0.61|^{3.8}] \quad \text{Jenkins et al. 2000}$$


$$\sigma^2(M) = \frac{1}{2\pi^2} \int dk k^2 P_\delta(k) W^2(k, M)$$

- **Warning:** fitting formulae are **cosmology-dependent**; may not apply if your cosmological model strays too far from standard Λ CDM...

5.13 Section summary...

- **Shape** of matter power spectrum is sensitive to:
 - **Scalar spectral index** of the primordial curvature perturbation spectrum from inflation.
 - **Location of the turning point** k_{eq} probes **comoving Hubble rate** at matter-radiation equality.
 - If the radiation energy density is precisely known, this provides a measurement of $\Omega_m h$.
 - Shape, especially at $k \gg k_{\text{eq}}$, is also sensitive to the **baryon fraction** and **massive neutrino fraction**.
- **Beware** of nonlinearities and scale-dependent bias at large k values!

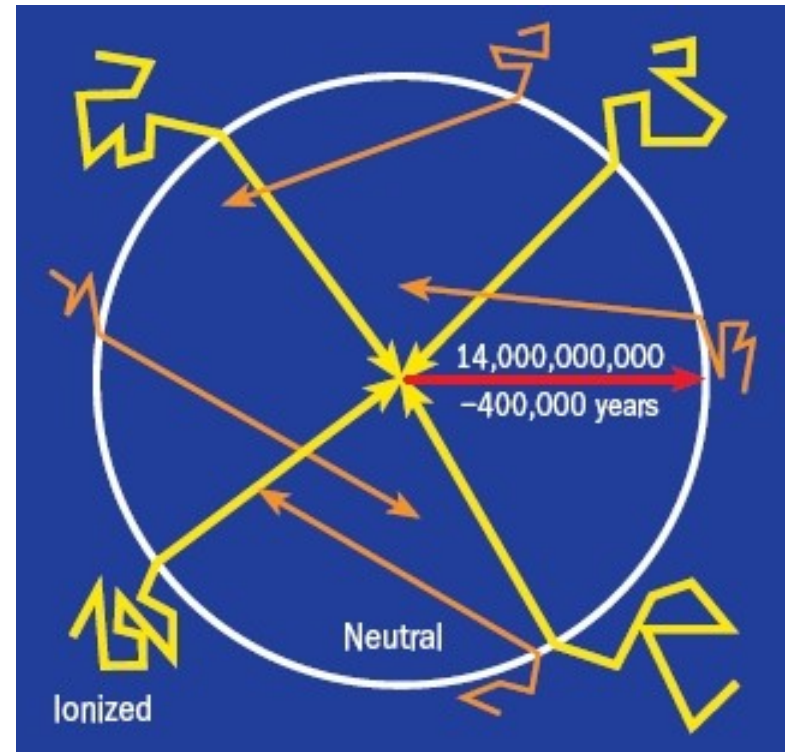
6. Approximate solutions II: CMB temperature fluctuations...

6.1 General remarks...

- The most important event in the photon evolution history is **decoupling** ($T^* \sim 0.25$ eV).
- In most cosmological models, photon decoupling happens during early matter domination ($z^* \sim 1100$).

→ Evolution of CMB fluctuations can be studied in **two steps**:

- Evolution **up to decoupling** (super- or subhorizon?)
- Evolution **after decoupling**: free-streaming



6.2 Superhorizon up to decoupling...

- Scalar Boltzmann equation for photons in the **superhorizon limit**:

$$\dot{\delta}_\gamma = 4 \dot{\Theta}_0^{(S)} \simeq 4 \dot{\Phi}$$

- Supposing:

From section 4.2

Well-founded
assumptions!

- Adiabatic initial conditions:

$$\Theta_0^{(S)}(k, \eta=0) = -\Phi_p(k)/2$$

- Decoupling happens during MD:

$$\Psi(k, \eta_*) \simeq \Phi(k, \eta_*) = \frac{9}{10} \Phi_p(k)$$

- At decoupling:**

From section 5.4



$$(\Theta_0^{(S)} + \Psi)(k \ll \mathcal{H}_*, \eta_*) = \frac{1}{3} \Phi(k, \eta_*) = -\frac{1}{6} \delta_c(k, \eta_*)$$

From section 5.4

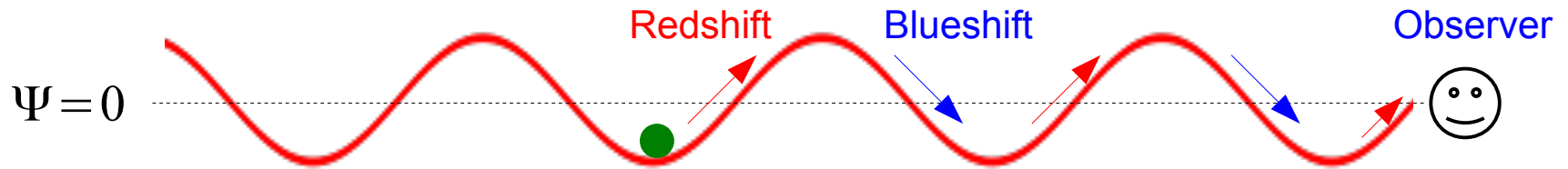
6.2 Superhorizon up to decoupling...

- What does this mean?

$$(\Theta_0^{(S)} + \Psi)(k, \eta_*) = -\frac{1}{6} \delta_c(k, \eta_*)$$

- $(\Theta_0^{(S)} + \Psi)(\eta_*)$ is the **effective temperature** at decoupling.

Perturbation of some wavelength



Overdense region = Intrinsically hotter photons;
adiabatic initial conditions: $3\Theta_0^{(S)} = \delta_c$

Observed photon energy
changed by a factor $(1 + \Psi)$
due to gravitational redshift

→ An observed photon **hot spot** corresponds to an **underdense** region.

6.3 Subhorizon @ decoupling: acoustic oscillations...

- For those k modes that are **subhorizon** at photon decoupling, the **tightly-coupled** limit (between photons and baryons) applies.
- Equations of motion for baryons and photons in this limit:

$$\dot{\delta}_y - \frac{4}{3} k^2 v_y^{(S)} - 4 \dot{\Phi} = 0 \quad \dot{v}_y^{(S)} + \frac{1}{4} \delta_y + \Psi = -\dot{\kappa} (v_b^{(S)} - v_y^{(S)}) \quad (1)$$

$$\dot{\delta}_b - k^2 v_b^{(S)} - 3 \dot{\Phi} = 0 \quad \dot{v}_b^{(S)} + \mathcal{H} v_b^{(S)} - \Psi = -\frac{\dot{\kappa}}{R} (v_b^{(S)} - v_y^{(S)}) \quad (2)$$

- **Baryon-to-photon ratio:**

$$R \equiv \frac{3}{4} \frac{\bar{\rho}_b}{\bar{\rho}_\gamma} = \frac{3}{4} \frac{\Omega_b h^2}{\Omega_\gamma h^2} a$$

6.3 Subhorizon @ decoupling: acoustic oscillations...

- **Tightly-coupled limit** means $\mathcal{H} / \dot{k} \ll 1$.
 - Take (2) and expand to first order in \mathcal{H} / \dot{k} :

$$v_b^{(S)} = v_y^{(S)} - \frac{\mathcal{H}}{\dot{k}} R \left[\frac{1}{\mathcal{H}} \dot{v}_y^{(S)} + \frac{1}{\mathcal{H}} \Psi + v_y^{(S)} \right] + O\left(\frac{\mathcal{H}^2}{\dot{k}^2}\right)$$

- Feed back into (1).

$$\delta_y = 4 \Theta_0^{(S)} \rightarrow \ddot{\Theta}_0^{(S)} + \frac{\dot{R}}{1+R} \dot{\Theta}_0^{(S)} + k^2 c_s^2 \Theta_0^{(S)} = \ddot{\Phi} + \frac{\dot{R}}{1+R} \dot{\Phi} - \frac{k^2}{3} \Psi$$

- A driven and damped harmonic oscillator with **sound speed**:

$$c_s^2 \equiv \frac{1}{3(1+R)} \quad \text{The presence of baryons lowers the fluid sound speed}$$

6.3 Subhorizon @ decoupling: acoustic oscillations...

- **Suppose** $\Phi, \Psi = \text{constant}$ (i.e., deep in MD).

WKB approximation

- For adiabatic initial conditions, the **WKB solution** is: $(k c_s)^2 \gg \dot{R}^2 / (1+R)^2$

$$[\Theta_0^{(s)} + \Psi](k, \eta) = [\Theta_0^{(s)} + (1+R)\Psi](k, 0) \cos(k r_s) - R\Psi \quad \text{Monopole}$$

$$\Theta_1^{(s)}(k, \eta) = -c_s [\Theta_0^{(s)} + (1+R)\Psi](k, 0) \sin(k r_s) \quad \text{Dipole}$$

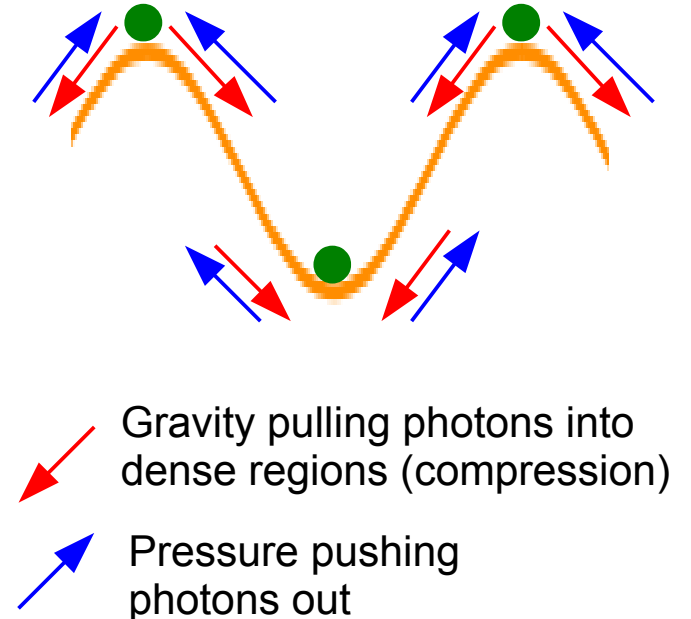
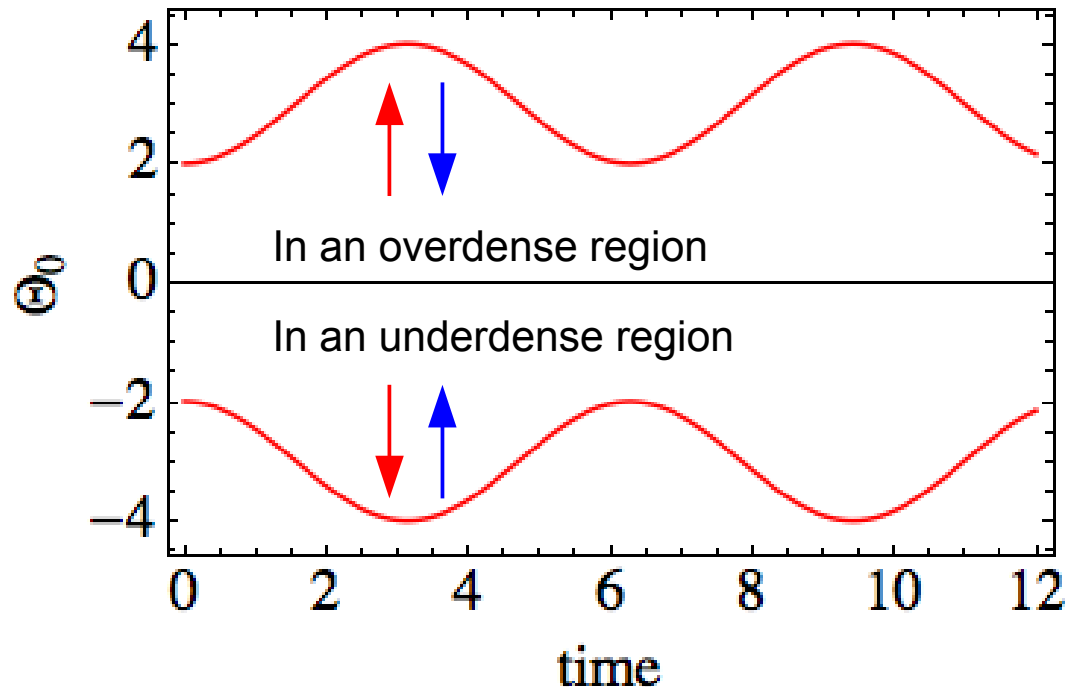
- **Sound horizon:**

$$r_s(\eta) \equiv \int_0^\eta d\eta' c_s(\eta')$$

Coordinate distance travelled by a sound wave since $\eta = 0$

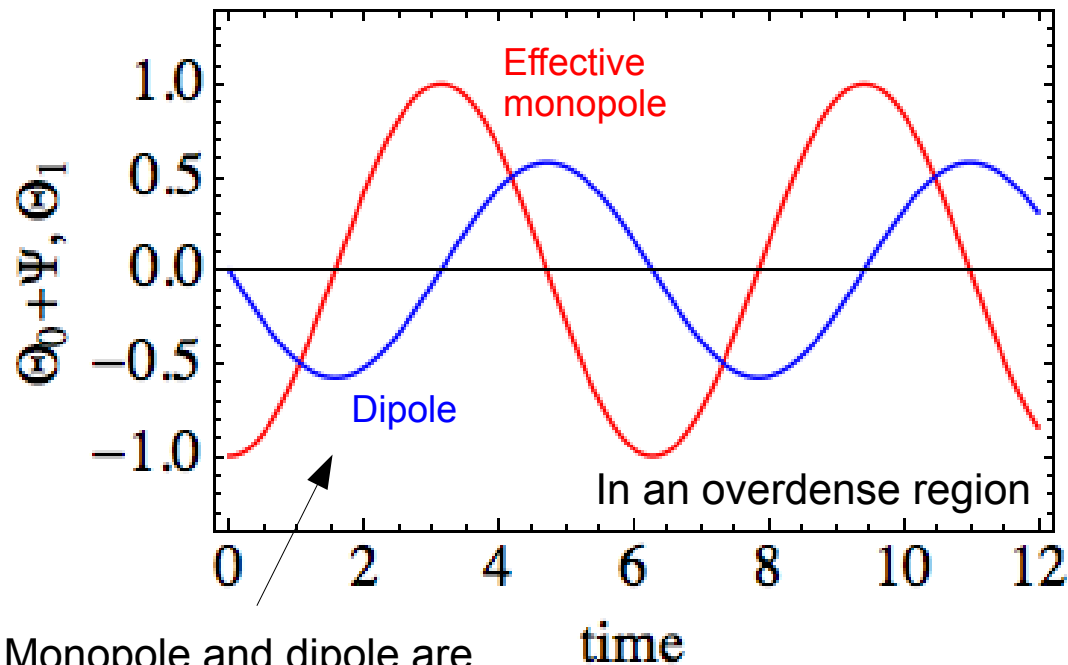
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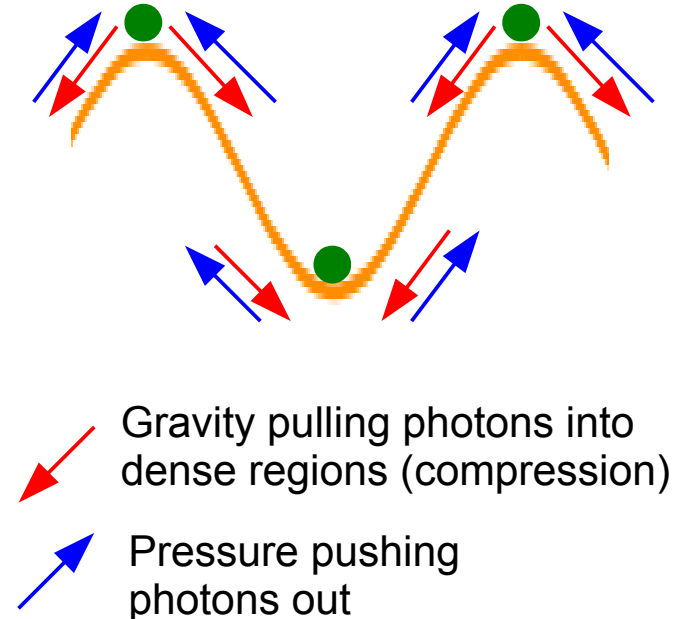


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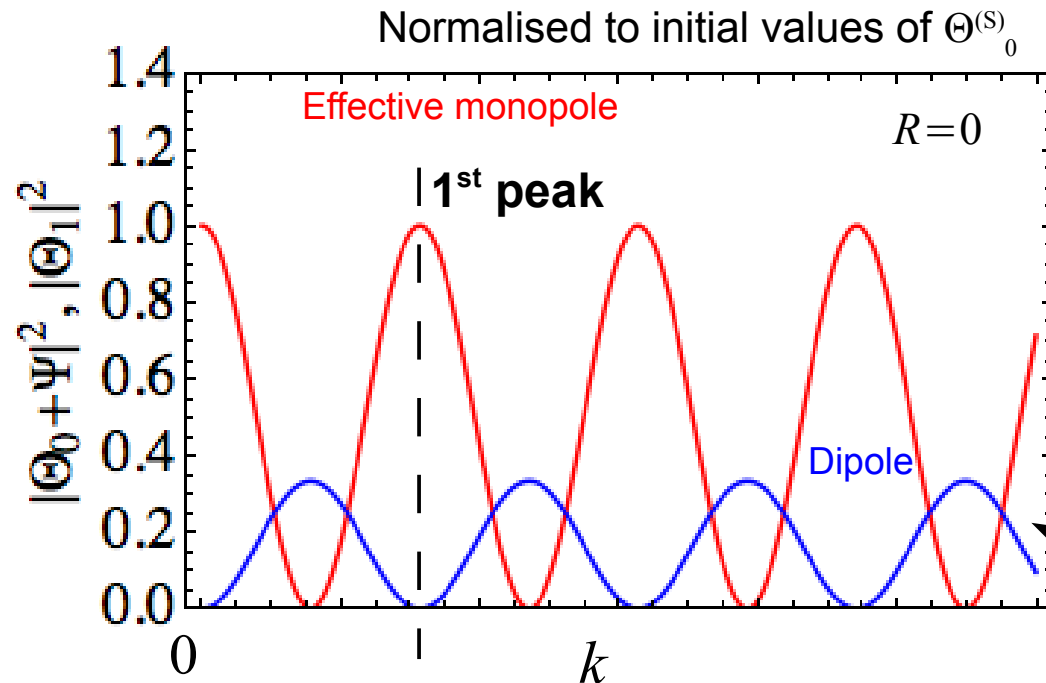


Monopole and dipole are exactly out of phase.



6.3 Subhorizon @ decoupling: acoustic oscillations...

- **Spectrum** at photon decoupling:



Peak positions:

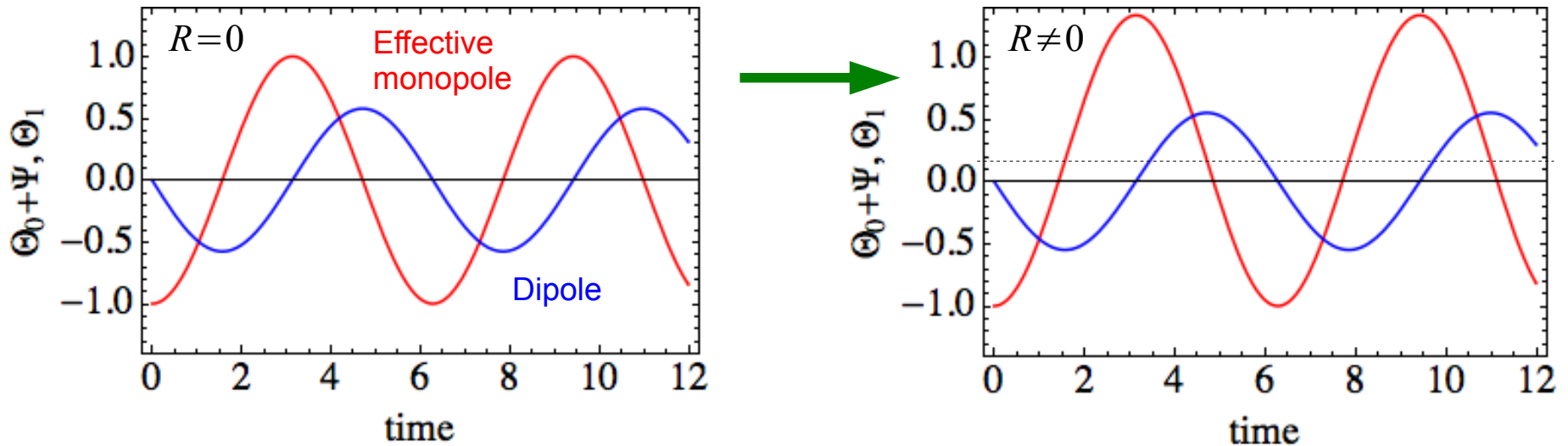
$$k_p = \frac{n\pi}{r_s(\eta^*)}, \quad n=1,2,3,\dots$$

Monopole and dipole
add incoherently (look
at the Legendre series)

- **Position of 1st peak** corresponds to the k mode that has completed **exactly one** compression at photon decoupling.

6.3 Subhorizon @ decoupling: acoustic oscillations...

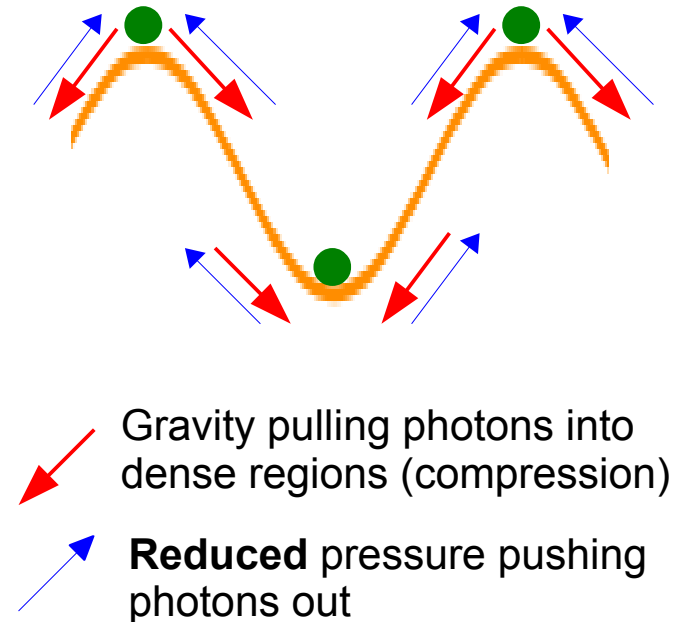
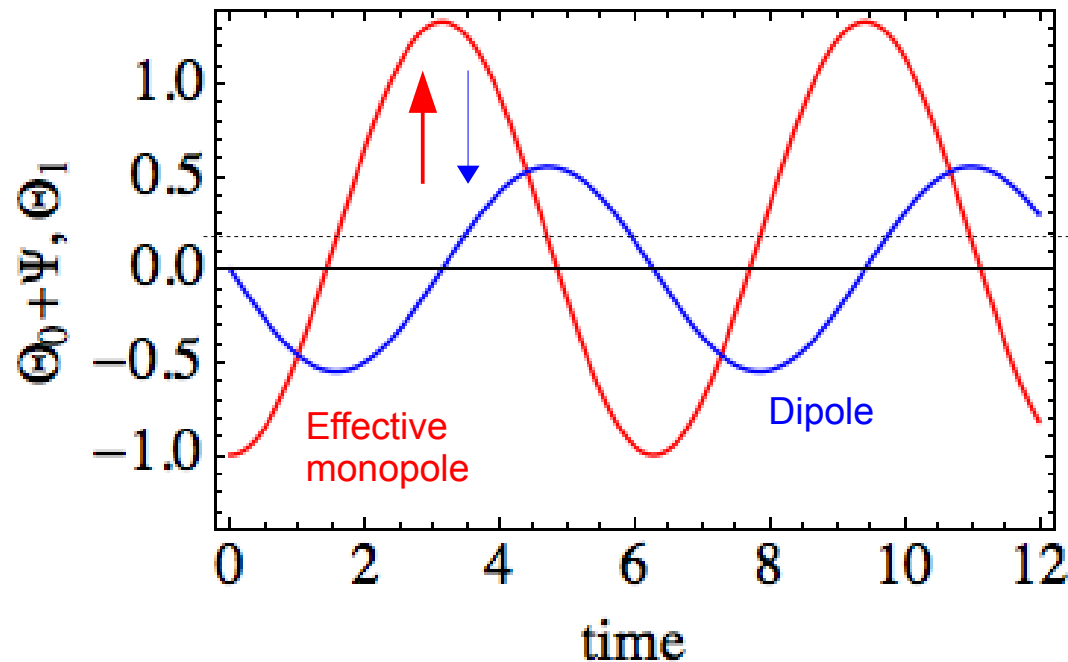
- Now **put the baryons back in**, i.e., $R \neq 0$.



- The presence of baryons **offsets the midpoint** of oscillations for the **effective monopole**, reduces the **sound horizon**, and alters the oscillation **amplitudes** (monopole and dipole).

6.3 Subhorizon @ decoupling: acoustic oscillations...

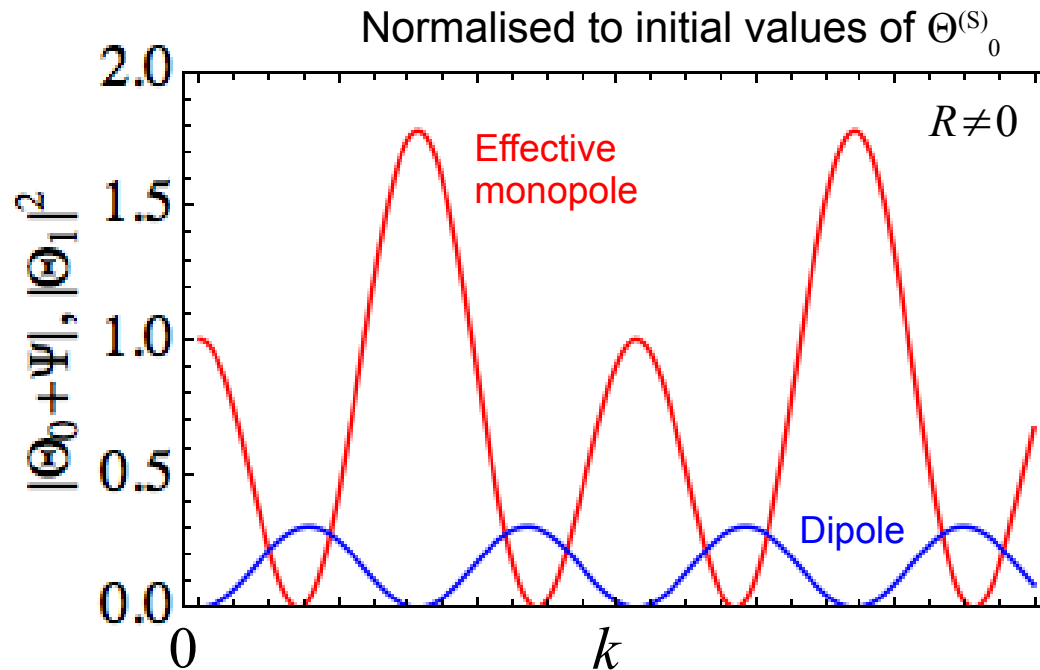
- Physical reason:



- A **reduced sound speed** due to **baryon inertia** leads to less pressure resistance \rightarrow the photons are compressed more and become **hotter**.

6.3 Subhorizon @ decoupling: acoustic oscillations...

- **Spectrum** at decoupling:



Odd and even peaks now have different heights.

Height ratio depends on the **baryon-to-photon ratio** R .

- Using time-dependent Φ and Ψ changes the peak heights and positions a little, but the essential features remain.

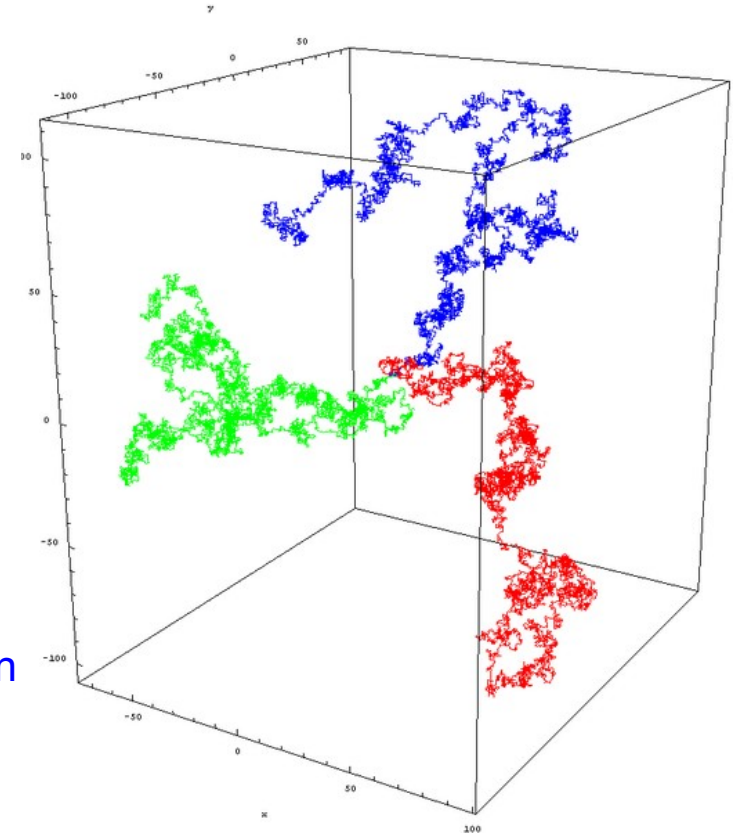
6.3 Subhorizon @ decoupling: diffusion damping...

OR Silk damping

- In reality, the motion of the photons and the baryons **cannot** be exactly identical.
 - Photons random walk between Thomson scattering with electrons → **diffusion**.
 - Diffusion **washes out temperature perturbations** on scales smaller than the **diffusion length**:

$$\lambda_D = \sqrt{N_{\text{scatter}}} \lambda_{\text{MFP}} \leftarrow \text{Photon mean free path}$$
$$\approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{n_e \sigma_T H}}$$

~ a few Mpc at decoupling



6.3 Subhorizon @ decoupling: diffusion damping...

OR Silk damping

- In our Fourier analysis, diffusion damping means an **exponential suppression** of temperature fluctuations on at $k > k_D$.

$$\Theta_0^{(S)}(k, \eta), \Theta_1^{(S)}(k, \eta) \sim \exp(-k^2/k_D^2) \times \text{oscillations}$$

- **Diffusion scale:**

(16/15) if including polarisation effects

$$\frac{1}{k_D^2(\eta)} \equiv \int_0^\eta \frac{d\eta'}{a(\eta') \bar{n}_e \sigma_T} \left[\frac{R^2 + (4/5)(1+R)}{6(1+R)^2} \right]$$

- Obtained by keeping $\Theta^{(S)}_2$ in the photon Boltzmann hierarchy in this approximate treatment.

6.4 After decoupling: free-streaming...

- After photon decoupling at $T \sim 0.25$ eV ($z \sim 1100$), the universe becomes transparent to photons \rightarrow **photons free-stream**.
- To understand the effect of free-streaming on the photon perturbations **today** ($\eta = \eta_0$), go back to the Boltzmann equation for photons:

$$\partial_\eta \Theta^{(S)} + i k \mu \Theta^{(S)} =$$

$$\underbrace{-i k \mu \Psi + \dot{\Phi} + \dot{\kappa} \left[\Theta_0^{(S)} - \Theta^{(S)} - \frac{1}{2} P_2(\mu) \Theta_2^{(S)} + i k \mu v_b^{(S)} \right]}_{\text{source terms}}$$

- Formal solution in the $\eta_0 \rightarrow \infty$ limit:

$$\Theta^{(S)}(k, \mu, \eta) = \int_0^{\eta_0} d\eta' \tilde{S}(k, \mu, \eta) e^{i k \mu (\eta' - \eta_0) + \kappa(\eta')}$$

6.4 After decoupling: free-streaming...

- **Decompose** in terms of Legendre polynomial:

$$\Theta_{\ell}^{(S)}(k, \eta_0) = \int_0^{\eta_0} d\eta S(k, \eta) j_{\ell}[k(\eta_0 - \eta)]$$

Spherical Bessel functions

- **Source function:**

$$S(k, \eta) \equiv g(\eta) [\Theta_0^{(S)} + \Psi] - \frac{d}{d\eta} [g(\eta) v_b^{(S)}] \\ + e^{\kappa(\eta)} [\dot{\Psi} + \dot{\Phi}] + \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{3}{k^2} \frac{d^2}{d\eta^2} + 1 \right) [g(\eta) \Theta_2^{(S)}]$$

Visibility function $g(\eta) \equiv \dot{\kappa} e^{\kappa(\eta)}$

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- **Visibility function:**

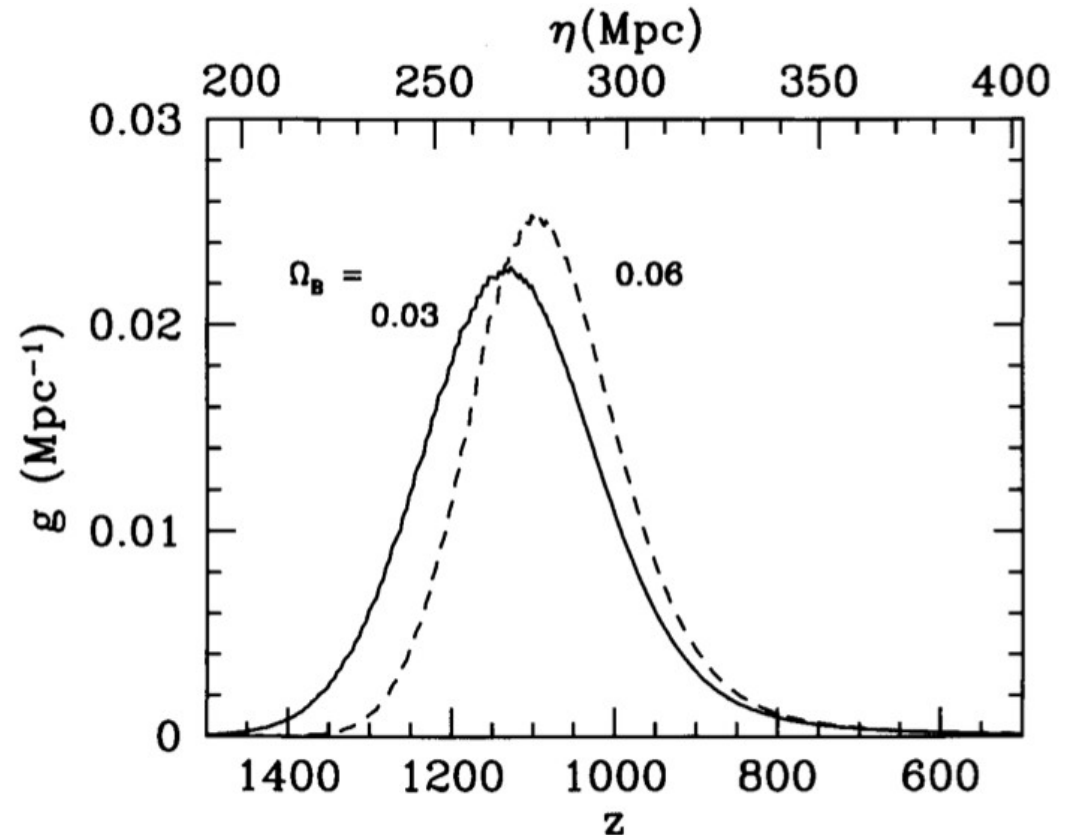
$$g(\eta) \equiv \dot{\kappa} e^{\kappa(\eta)}$$

- Normalisation:

$$\int_0^{\eta_0} d\eta' g(\eta') = 1$$

→ The visibility function is the **probability** a photon **last-scattered** at time η .

→ $g(\eta)$ **peaks at decoupling** (the last scattering surface)



6.4 After decoupling: free-streaming...

- Now we can approximate the **source function**:

$$S(k, \eta) \equiv g(\eta) [\Theta_0^{(S)} + \Psi] - \frac{d}{d\eta} [g(\eta) v_b^{(S)}] + e^{k(\eta)} [\dot{\Psi} + \dot{\Phi}] + \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{3}{k^2} \frac{d^2}{d\eta^2} + 1 \right) [g(\eta) \Theta_2^{(S)}]$$

$$\Theta_\ell^{(S)}(k, \eta_0) = \int_0^{\eta_0} d\eta S(k, \eta) j_\ell[k(\eta_0 - \eta)]$$

- $g(\eta)$ peaks at $\eta = \eta_*$ \rightarrow set $g(\eta) = \delta_D(\eta - \eta^*)$.
- $\Theta_2^{(S)}(\eta_*)$ is not generated in a great amount at decoupling compared with $\Theta_0^{(S)}(\eta_*)$, $\Theta_1^{(S)}(\eta_*)$ \rightarrow set $\Theta_2^{(S)}(\eta_*) = 0$.
- Apply the tightly-coupled limit at $\eta = \eta_*$ \rightarrow set $v_b^{(S)}(\eta_*) = - (3/k) \Theta_1^{(S)}(\eta_*)$.

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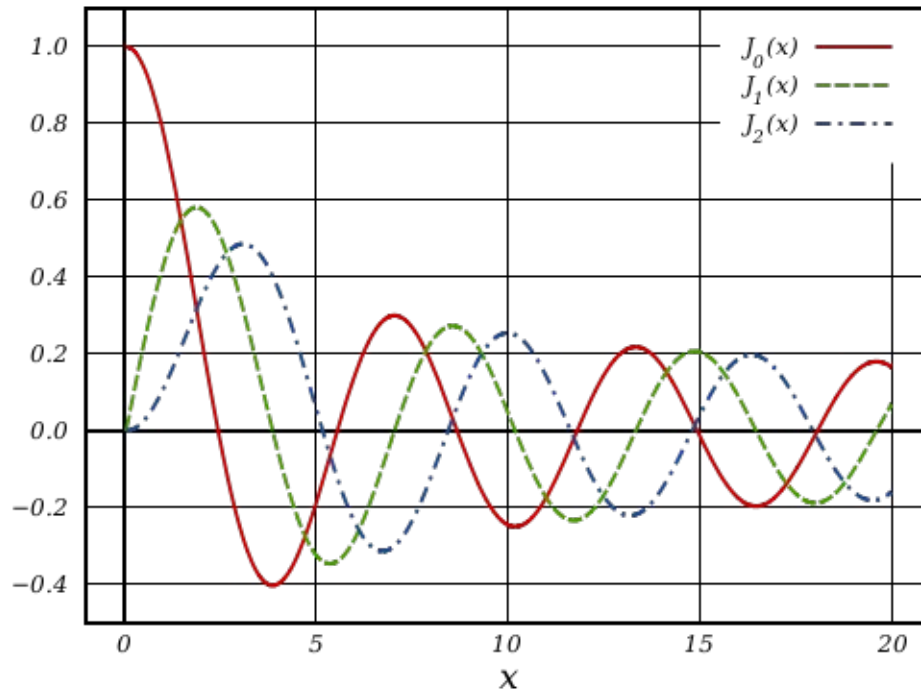
- **Approximate solution:**

$$\begin{aligned}\Theta_{\ell}^{(S)}(k, \eta_0) \simeq & [\Theta_0^{(S)}(k, \eta_*) + \Psi_0^{(S)}(k, \eta_*)] j_{\ell}[k(\eta_0 - \eta_*)] \\ & - \frac{3}{k} \Theta_1^{(S)}(k, \eta_*) \frac{d}{d\eta} j_{\ell}[k(\eta_0 - \eta_*)] \\ & + \int_0^{\eta_0} d\eta e^{k(\eta)} [\dot{\Psi}(k, \eta) + \dot{\Phi}(k, \eta)] j_{\ell}[k(\eta_0 - \eta)]\end{aligned}$$

- **Term 1** & **term 2**: Monopole and dipole at decoupling are primarily responsible for the photon temperature fluctuations observed today .
 - Acoustic oscillations in $\Theta_0^{(S)}$ and $\Theta_1^{(S)}$ are “**spread**” to higher multipoles by free-streaming according to the **spherical Bessel functions**.

6.4 After decoupling: free-streaming...

Spherical Bessel functions



- $j_\ell(x)$ peaks at $x \sim \ell$ (not exactly though).

→ $\Theta_\ell(\eta_0)$ gets most contribution from k modes satisfying

$$k \sim \frac{\ell}{\eta_0 - \eta_*}$$

→ We expect the 1st Θ_ℓ peak to occur today at

$$\ell_p \sim k_p (\eta_0 - \eta_*) \sim \frac{\pi (\eta_0 - \eta_*)}{r_s(\eta_*)}$$

From section 6.3

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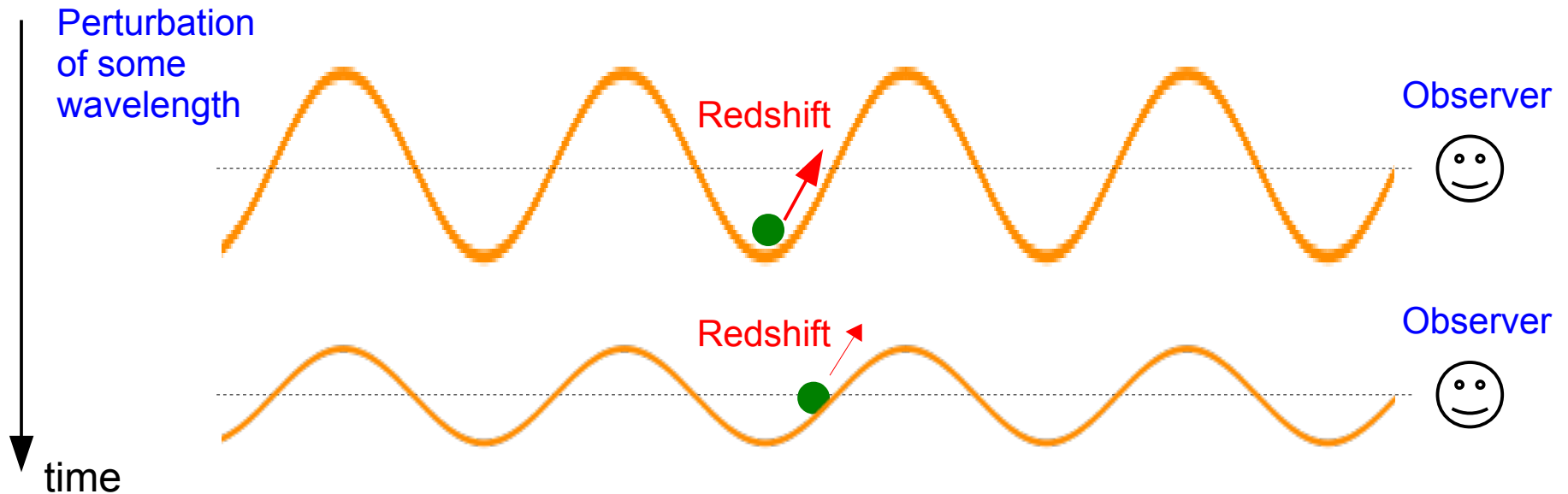
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- **Term3:** only present if metric perturbations are time-dependent → **Integrated Sachs-Wolfe effect**
 - Important when $|\kappa| \ll 1$ (i.e., after decoupling)

6.4 After decoupling: free-streaming...

- **Integrated Sachs-Wolfe (ISW) effect:** except deep inside matter domination, subhorizon metric perturbations Φ and Ψ decay.

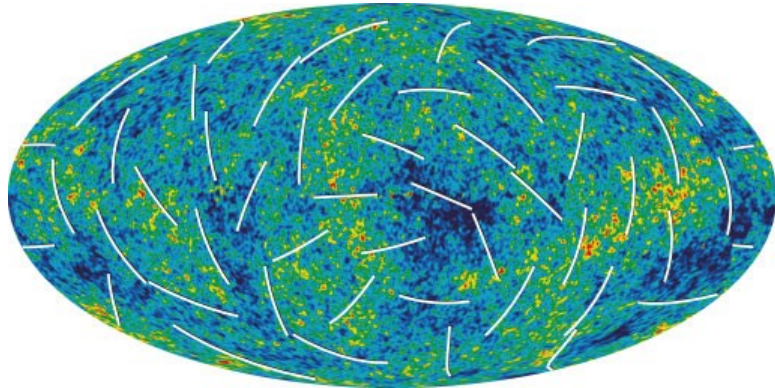


- Photons suffer less gravitational **redshift** than in the case of constant Φ and Ψ \rightarrow **Larger** observed temperature fluctuations.

6.4 After decoupling: free-streaming...

- There are **two** ISW effects.
- **Early ISW effect:** photon decoupling occurs quite close to the transition from radiation to matter domination.
 - **Residual radiation** causes the metric perturbations to decay.
 - Affects most strongly those k modes crossing the horizon at decoupling.
 - Expect strongest contributions close to the first acoustic peak.
- **Late ISW effect:** the transition from matter domination to dark energy domination (i.e., now) also induces metric perturbation decay.
 - Expect contributions on scales close to the present-day horizon.

6.5 Anisotropy power spectrum...



- Recall the photon temperature field is parameterised as:

$$T_\gamma(x^i, n^i, \eta) = \bar{T}_\gamma(\eta) [1 + \Theta(x^i, n^i, \eta)]$$

Direction of 3-momentum

- We can only observe photons here and now → observed temperature fluctuations on a 2D spherical map can be decomposed in terms of **spherical harmonics**:

$$\Theta(x^i, n^i, \eta_0) = \sum_{\ell=1}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-\ell}^{m=\ell} a_{\ell m}(x^i, \eta_0) Y_{\ell m}(n^i)$$

$$a_{\ell m}(x^i, \eta_0) = \int d\Omega Y_{\ell m}^*(n^i) \Theta(x^i, n^i, \eta_0)$$

Fluctuation power spectrum

$$\langle a_{\ell m} a_{\ell' m'}^* \rangle = \delta_{\ell \ell'} \delta_{m m'} C_\ell$$

6.5 Anisotropy power spectrum...

- How to get C_ℓ from theory?
- First rewrite $a_{\ell m}(x, \eta_0)$ in terms of $\Theta_\ell(k, \eta_0)$:

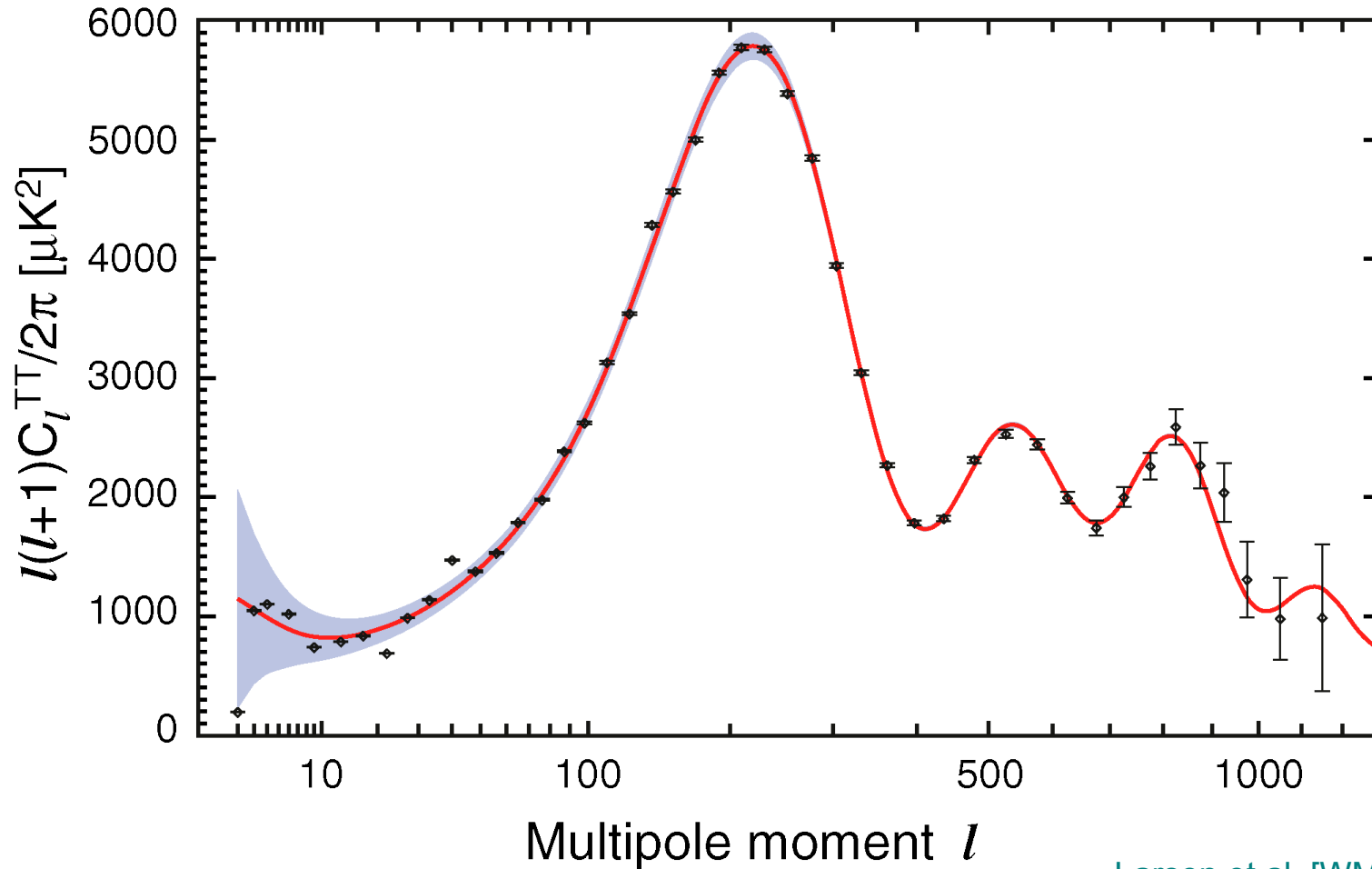
$$a_{\ell m}(x^i, \eta_0) = \int d\Omega Y_{\ell m}^*(n^i) \int \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3} e^{ik^i x_i} \\ \times \sum_{\ell=0} (-i)^\ell (2\ell + 1) P_\ell(k^i n_i / k) \Theta_\ell(k, \eta_0)$$

$$\langle a_{\ell m} a_{\ell' m'}^* \rangle = \delta_{\ell\ell'} \delta_{mm'} C_\ell$$



$$C_\ell = \frac{2}{\pi} \int dk k^2 |\Theta_\ell(k, \eta_0)|^2$$

6.5 Anisotropy power spectrum...



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- Why plot $\ell(\ell + 1)C_\ell/2\pi$?
- Suppose the effective monopole at decoupling is given by $[\Theta^{(S)}_0 + \Psi](k, \eta_*) = \Phi(k, \eta_*)/3 = (3/10)\Phi_p(k)$ (cf modes outside horizon up to decoupling).

$$\begin{aligned}
 \longrightarrow C_\ell &= \frac{9}{100} \frac{k_0^3 P_{\Phi_p}(k_0)}{2\pi^2} \left[4\pi \int_0^{k\eta_0 \rightarrow \infty} dx x^{-1} j_\ell^2(x) \right] \\
 &\quad \uparrow \qquad \qquad \qquad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\frac{2\pi}{\ell(\ell+1)}} \qquad \qquad \text{Assuming a scale-invariant} \\
 &\quad \text{Dimensionless power} \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \text{primordial power spectrum} \\
 &\quad \text{spectrum from inflation} \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad n_s = 1 \\
 &\quad \text{at the pivot scale}
 \end{aligned}$$

→ A constant $\ell(\ell + 1)C_\ell/2\pi$ corresponds to a white-noise spectrum.

6.5 Anisotropy power spectrum: low multipoles...

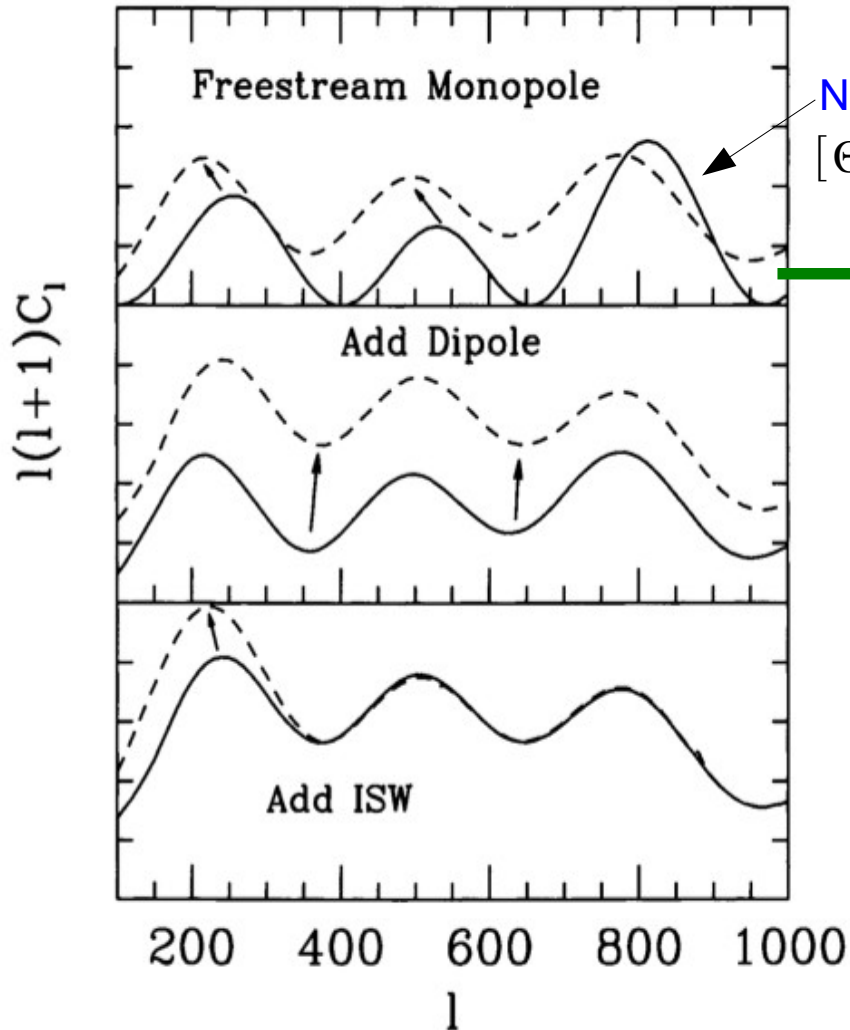
- A more or less **flat** $\ell(\ell + 1)C_\ell/2\pi$ is in fact what we expect to see at **low ℓ multipoles**, where most contributions come from those k modes that were **superhorizon** at photon decoupling.

→ The Sachs-Wolfe plateau.

- A more general expression for an arbitrary scalar spectral index n_s :

$$C_\ell = \frac{9}{100} \frac{P_{\Phi_p}(k_0)}{2\pi(\eta_0 - \eta_*)^{n_s - 1}} \left(\frac{k_0}{2}\right)^{4 - n_s} \frac{\Gamma(\ell + n_s/2 - 1/2)\Gamma(3 - n_s)}{\Gamma(\ell + 5/2 - n_s/2)\Gamma^2(2 - n_s/2)}$$

6.5 Anisotropy power spectrum: high multipoles...



Naïve projection

$$[\Theta_0^{(S)} + \Psi](k = \ell / (\eta_0 - \eta_*), \eta_*)$$

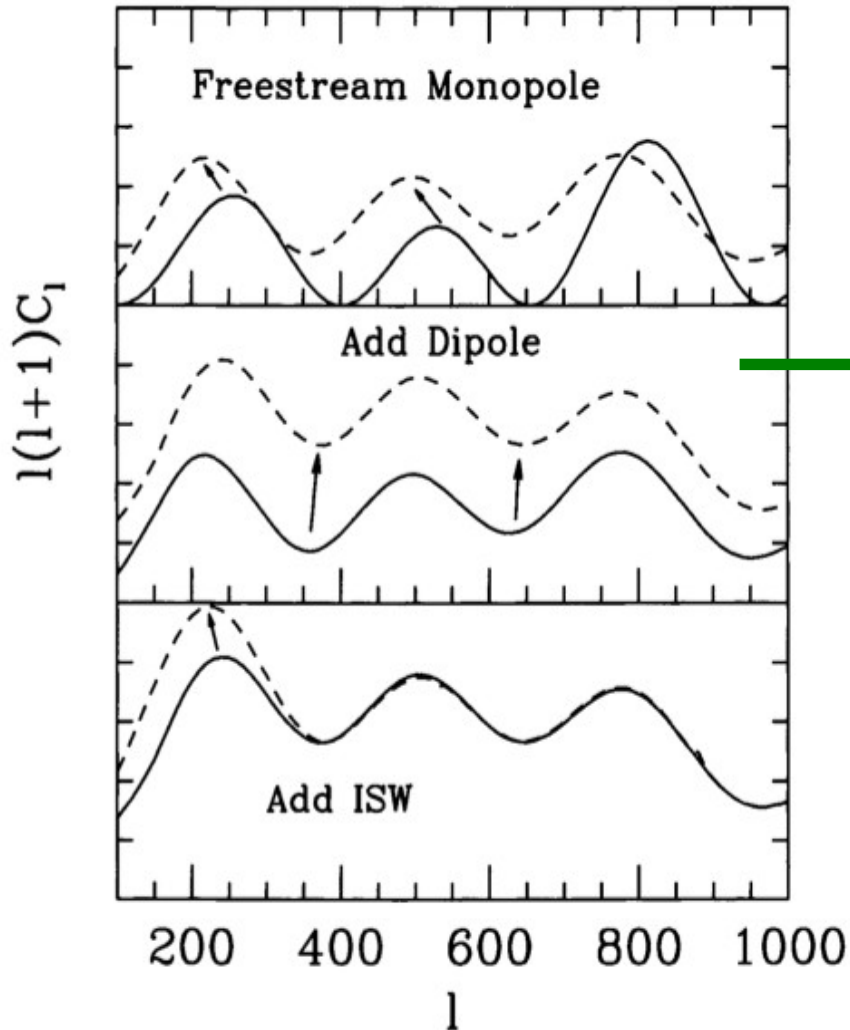
Proper treatment of **free-streaming shifts** peaks a little from their naïvely expected positions.

$$\ell_p \sim \frac{\pi(\eta_0 - \eta_*)}{r_s}$$

From section 6.5

$$\begin{aligned} \Theta_\ell^{(S)}(k, \eta_0) \simeq & [\Theta_0^{(S)}(k, \eta_*) + \Psi_0^{(S)}(k, \eta_*)] j_\ell[k(\eta_0 - \eta_*)] \\ & - \frac{3}{k} \Theta_1^{(S)}(k, \eta_*) \frac{d}{d\eta} j_\ell[k(\eta_0 - \eta_*)] \\ & + \int_0^{\eta_0} d\eta e^{k(\eta)} [\Psi(k, \eta) + \Phi(k, \eta)] j_\ell[k(\eta_0 - \eta)] \end{aligned}$$

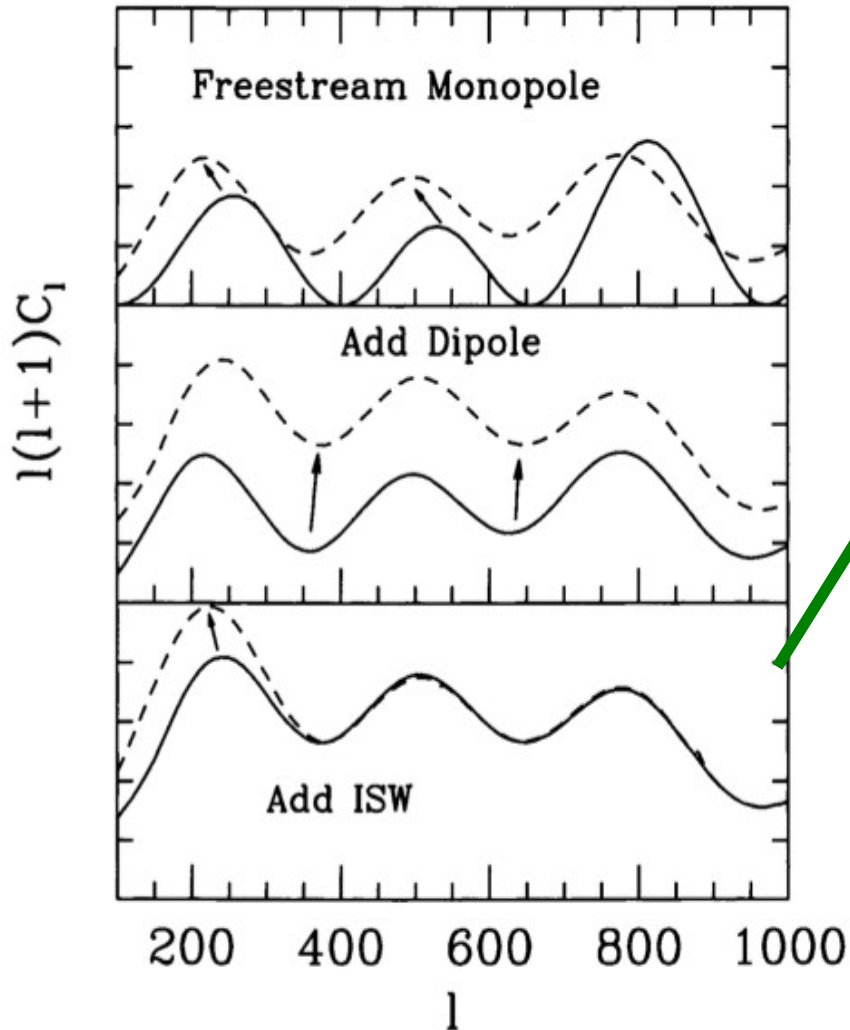
6.5 Anisotropy power spectrum: high multipoles...



Monopole and dipole add incoherently (because of property of spherical Bessel function); adding dipole makes the **troughs less prominent**.

$$\Theta_\ell^{(S)}(k, \eta_0) \simeq [\Theta_0^{(S)}(k, \eta_*) + \Psi_0^{(S)}(k, \eta_*)] j_\ell[k(\eta_0 - \eta_*)] - \frac{3}{k} \Theta_1^{(S)}(k, \eta_*) \frac{d}{d\eta} j_\ell[k(\eta_0 - \eta_*)] + \int_0^{\eta_0} d\eta e^{\kappa(\eta)} [\Psi(k, \eta) + \Phi(k, \eta)] j_\ell[k(\eta_0 - \eta)]$$

6.5 Anisotropy power spectrum: high multipoles...



Early ISW effect contributes adds in phase with the monopole

$$\Theta_\ell^{(S)}(k, \eta_0) \simeq [\Theta_0^{(S)}(k, \eta_*) + \Psi_0^{(S)}(k, \eta_*)] j_\ell[k(\eta_0 - \eta_*)] - \frac{3}{k} \Theta_1^{(S)}(k, \eta_*) \frac{d}{d\eta} j_\ell[k(\eta_0 - \eta_*)] + \int_0^{\eta_0} d\eta e^{\kappa(\eta)} [\Psi(k, \eta) + \Phi(k, \eta)] j_\ell[k(\eta_0 - \eta)]$$

7. Cosmological parameters from CMB temperature anisotropies...

7.1 Cosmological parameters...

- Some **standard parameters** to constrain...
 - **Matter density:** $\Omega_m h^2$
 - **Baryon density:** $\Omega_b h^2$
 - **Hubble parameter, spatial curvature, dark energy:** $h, \Omega_K, \Omega_\Lambda$
 - **Inflation parameters:** scalar fluctuation amplitude A_s , spectral index n_s
- The CMB temperature anisotropies do not measure these parameters *per se*, rather some combination thereof.

7.2 CMB anisotropies measure z equality...

- The early ISW effect enhances the first peak because of the time-dependence of the metric perturbations when transiting from RD to MD.
 - The **ratio** of the **1st peak to the Sachs-Wolfe plateau**, or of the **1st peak to the 3rd peak** can establish the early ISW effect.
 - In standard Λ CDM, the only parameter controlling this transition is the **time of matter-radiation equality**.

$$1 + z_{\text{eq}} = \frac{\Omega_m h^2}{\Omega_\gamma h^2 + \Omega_\nu h^2} \simeq \frac{\Omega_m h^2}{\Omega_\gamma h^2} \frac{1}{1 + 0.2271 N_\nu}$$

\swarrow $\Omega_\gamma h^2 = 2.47 \times 10^{-5}$

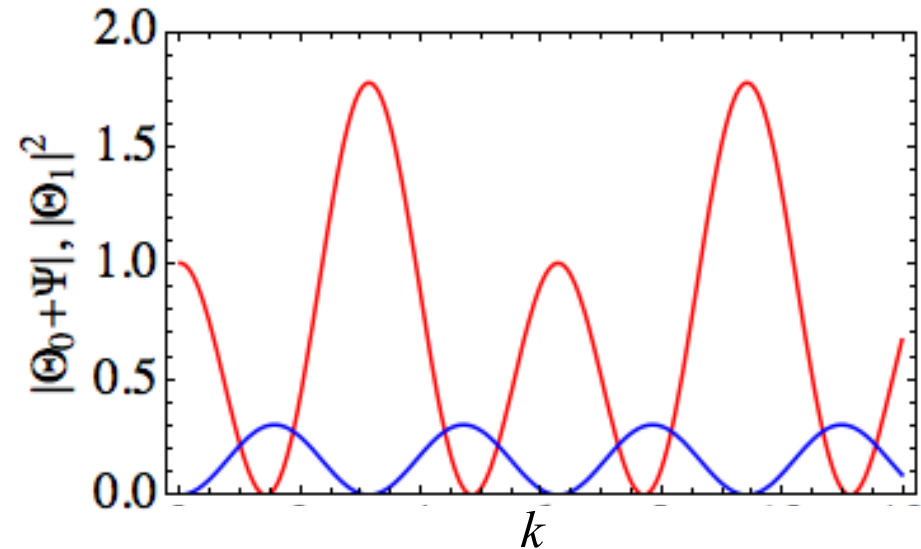
- If we **assume** $N_\nu = 3$ massless neutrinos, then this constitutes a **measurement of $\Omega_m h^2$** ; no conclusions yet if N_ν is not known.

7.3 CMB anisotropies measure baryon-photon ratio...

- **Odd to even acoustic peak ratios** are determined by

$$R \equiv \frac{3}{4} \frac{\bar{\rho}_b}{\bar{\rho}_\gamma} = \frac{3}{4} \frac{\Omega_b h^2}{\Omega_\gamma h^2} a$$

- Since $\Omega_\gamma h^2$ is known, we have a **measurement of $\Omega_b h^2$** .
- Probably the most robust (i.e. independent of cosmological model) parameter measurement from CMB.



7.4 CMB anisotropies measure angular sound horizon..

- Position of the 1st acoustic peak is given approximately by

$$\ell_p \sim \frac{\pi (\eta_0 - \eta_*)}{r(\eta_*)}$$

Comoving distance to
the last scattering surface
 $\eta_0 - \eta_* = \chi(\eta_*)$

- If we had allowed for **spatial curvature**:

$$\chi(\eta_*) \rightarrow \begin{cases} \sin \chi(\eta_*) & K = +1 \\ \sinh \chi(\eta_*) & K = -1 \end{cases}$$

Sound horizon
at decoupling

- A more general expression for the 1st peak position:

Angular sound horizon

$$\theta_s \equiv \frac{\pi}{\ell_p} = \frac{a(\eta_*) r_s(\eta_*)}{d_A(\eta_*)}$$

Angular diameter distance
to the last scattering surface

7.4 CMB anisotropies measure angular sound horizon..

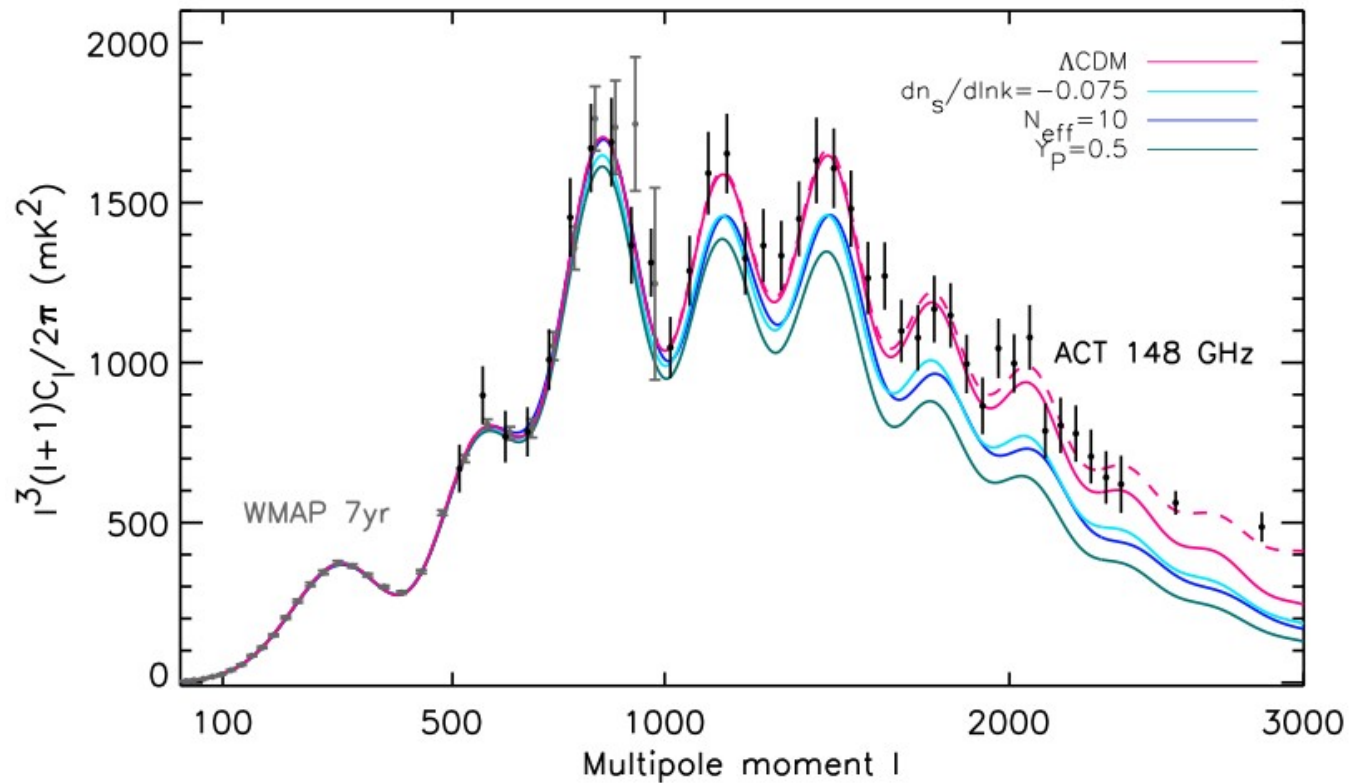
- For fixed z_{eq} , $\Omega_b h^2$, and $a(\eta_*)$, the main parameter dependence of θ_s in **flat Λ CDM** is:

$$\theta_s \propto \frac{(\Omega_m h^2)^{-1/2}}{\int_{a_n}^1 \frac{da}{a^2 \sqrt{\Omega_m h^2 a^{-3} + (h^2 - \Omega_m h^2)}}$$

- **If $\Omega_m h^2$ is known**, then the angular sound horizon provides a measurement of the **Hubble parameter h** .
- **If $\Omega_m h^2$ is not known** (e.g., because we do not know the exact radiation content), then $\Omega_m h^2$ and h are **exactly degenerate parameters**.
- More degeneracies if the dark energy has a nontrivial equation of state.

7.5 CMB anisotropies measure the damping scale...

- Only possible with recent measurements from **ACT** and **SPT**.



7.5 CMB anisotropies measure the damping scale...

- **Angular damping scale** (with z_{eq} , $\Omega_b h^2$ and $a(\eta_*)$ fixed):

$$\theta_D \equiv \frac{r_D(\eta_*)}{d_A(\eta_*)} \propto \frac{(\Omega_m h^2)^{-1/4}}{\int_{a_{\eta_*}}^1 \frac{da}{a^2 \sqrt{\Omega_m h^2 a^{-3} + (h^2 - \Omega_m h^2)}}$$

Diffusion damping

$$r_D(\eta) \equiv \frac{1}{k_D(\eta)}$$

From section 6.4

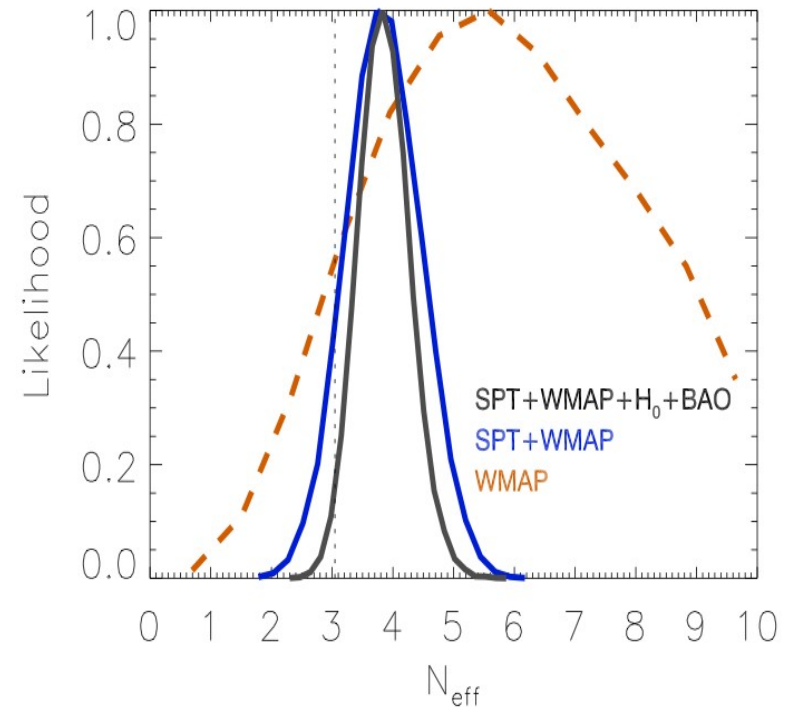
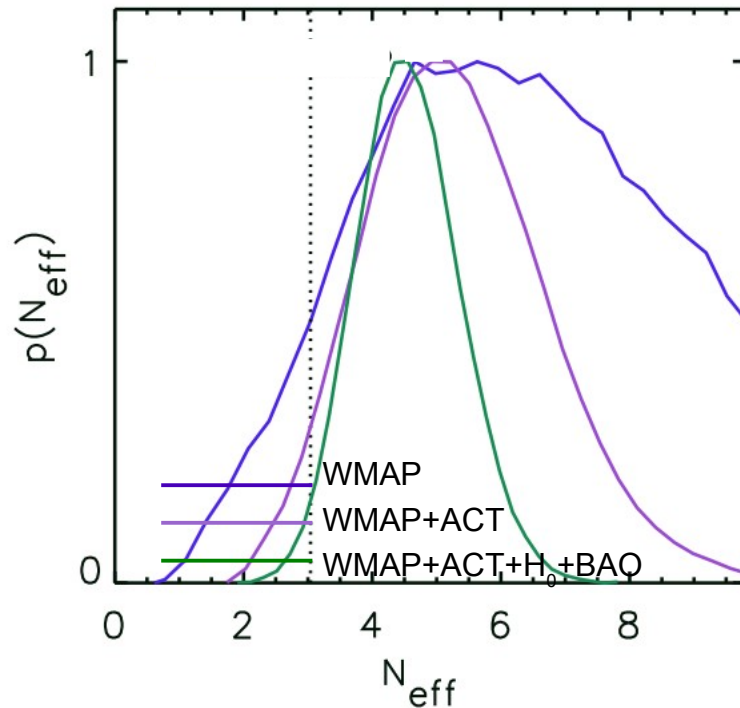
- **Combine** with measurement of angular sound horizon:

$$\frac{\theta_D}{\theta_s} = \frac{r_D(\eta_*)}{r_s(\eta_*)} \propto (\Omega_m h^2)^{1/4}$$

→ A measurement of the matter density that is **independent** of the assumptions about **spatial curvature**, **dark energy**, etc. (because the angular diameter distance has now factored out).

7.5 CMB anisotropies measure the damping scale...

- Measurements of the CMB damping tail by ACT and SPT seem to suggest that the number of **neutrino species** is **larger than 3!**



Dunkley et al. [Atacama Cosmology Telescope] 2010

Keisler et al. [South Pole Telescope] 2011

7.6 Section summary...

- The CMB temperature anisotropies are sensitive to:
 - The **redshift of matter-radiation equality** (1st to 3rd peak heights, 1st peak height to Sachs-Wolfe plateau).
 - The **baryon-to-photon ratio** (odd to even peak heights)
 - The **angular sound horizon** (peak positions)
 - The **angular damping scale** (damping tail)
- Combining these measurements, it is possible to constrain the underlying cosmological model parameters.
- Beware of **parameter degeneracies!**