Precision cosmology (dark matter and neutrino mass limits)

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What are the components and how much? What is the geometry? The initial conditions? The eventual fate? ... Precision cosmology

# Tool 1: Cosmic microwave background...



Mather et al., 1994

• FIRAS on COBE measured **Planck spectrum**, with temperature:

 $T_{\rm CMB} = 2.725 \pm 0.001 \,\rm K$ 

- T<sub>CMB</sub> fixes:
  - Photon energy density.
  - Relic neutrino number density per flavour:

$$n_{v} = 112 \,\mathrm{cm}^{-3}$$







• Temperature fluctuations from acoustic oscillations of the photon-baryon fluid frozen on the last scattering surface.

# Tool 2: Large-scale structure...



Matter distribution (luminous and dark) Virgo collaboration, 1996





Galaxy clustering

300 h<sup>-1</sup> Mpc

# Cluster abundance

Gravitational lensing

Intergalactic hydrogen clumps; Lyman-α

1 h<sup>-1</sup> Mpc

# Tool 3: Standard candles...



Type la supernova (SNIa).

• Hubble diagram of **SNIa** provided the first evidence for a negative pressure fluid, the "**dark energy**".



### The concordance model...

- The simplest model consistent with all present data:
- $\rightarrow$  Flat geometry.
- $\rightarrow$  74% Negative pressure fluid.
- $\rightarrow$  Dark matter is cold.
- → Initial conditions consistent with predictions of inflation.





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• From observations to parameter constraints.

• Neutrino masses.

• (Future probes.)

1. From observations to parameter constraints...



Sky

Measurement

Time-ordered data

Map making

Maps

Foreground removal

The analysis pipeline

http://space.mit.edu/~tegmark

Clean map

**Power spectrum estimation** 

Anisotropy spectrum

**Model testing** 

**Cosmological parameters** 





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The cleaned, "publicity" map.



Masks: regions not used in cosmological analyses.

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### Power spectrum estimation...





- Easy to compare with theory:
  - Calcs in Fourier space.
  - C<sub>1</sub> completely describe
     Gaussian random
     fluctuations.
- Black error bars = instrumental noise.
- Red band = cosmic variance (sampling error):



### Power spectrum from theory...

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# Initial perturbations...

• Leading theory = Inflation.

• Scalar field φ driven exponential expansion:

$$a(t) \sim \exp(H t)$$



 Quantum fluctuations of φ seed perturbations.

- Inflation generates two types of perturbations on the space-time metric:
  - Scalar  $\leftrightarrow$  matter density perturbations.
  - Tensor  $\leftrightarrow$  primordial gravity waves (can affect CMB).





• Are the perturbations:

Adiabatic? 
$$\frac{1}{4} \frac{\delta \rho_{\gamma}}{\rho_{\gamma}} = \frac{1}{4} \frac{\delta \rho_{\nu}}{\rho_{\nu}} = \frac{1}{3} \frac{\delta \rho_{dm}}{\rho_{dm}} = \frac{1}{3} \frac{\delta \rho_{b}}{\rho_{b}}$$

Generic prediction of single-field inflation.

- Isocurvature? 
$$\sum_i \delta \rho_i = 0$$
 Ruled out.

- Mixed ? 
$$\frac{1}{4} \frac{\delta \rho_{\gamma}}{\rho_{\gamma}} \neq \frac{1}{4} \frac{\delta \rho_{\nu}}{\rho_{\nu}} \neq \frac{1}{3} \frac{\delta \rho_{dm}}{\rho_{dm}} \neq \frac{1}{3} \frac{\delta \rho_{b}}{\rho_{b}}, \quad \sum_{i} \delta \rho_{i} \neq 0$$

Can be realised in multi-field inflation models, cosmic strings, etc.

**No evidence** for mixed perturbations, but up to ~10% isocurvature is allowed.

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### Transfer functions...

• Describe evolution of density perturbations in various components:



#### Boltzmann equation to track density pertrubations

Friedmann equation of an expanding background

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

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \end{pmatrix}^2 = \frac{8\pi}{3} G a^2 \bar{\rho} - \kappa ,$$

$$\frac{d}{d\tau} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\dot{a}}{a} \end{pmatrix} = -\frac{4\pi}{3} G a^2 (\bar{\rho} + 3\bar{P}) ,$$

General relativity

Perturbed Friedmann-**Robertson-Walker metric** 

 $T^0_{\ 0} \ = \ - (\bar{\rho} + \delta \rho) \, ,$ 

 $T^{i}_{\ j} = (\bar{P} + \delta P)\delta^{i}_{\ j} +$ 

$$ds^{2} = a^{2}(\tau) \left\{ -(1+2\psi)d\tau^{2} + (1-2\phi)dx^{i}dx_{i} \right\}$$

1<sup>st</sup> order perturbed Einstein equations

Perturbed energy-  
momentum tensor  

$$\begin{aligned} k^{2}\phi + 3\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\left(\dot{\phi} + \frac{\dot{a}}{a}\psi\right) &= 4\pi Ga^{2}\delta T^{0}_{0}(\operatorname{Con}), \\ k^{2}\left(\dot{\phi} + \frac{\dot{a}}{a}\psi\right) &= 4\pi Ga^{2}(\bar{\rho} + \bar{P})\theta(\operatorname{Con}), \\ k^{2}\left(\dot{\phi} + \frac{\dot{a}}{a}\psi\right) &= 4\pi Ga^{2}(\bar{\rho} + \bar{P})\theta(\operatorname{Con}), \\ k^{2}\left(\dot{\phi} + \frac{\dot{a}}{a}\psi\right) &= 4\pi Ga^{2}(\bar{\rho} + \bar{P})\theta(\operatorname{Con}), \\ T^{0}_{i} &= (\bar{\rho} + \bar{P})v_{i} = -T^{i}_{0}, \\ T^{i}_{j} &= (\bar{P} + \delta P)\delta^{i}_{j} + \Sigma^{i}_{j}, \qquad \Sigma^{i}_{i} = 0, \end{aligned}$$

#### e.g., Ma & Bertschinger, 1995

- Evolution of perturbations depends on
  - Background evolution.
    - Radiation, matter, or dark energy domination?
  - Velocity dispersion.
    - Cold versus hot dark matter.
  - Interactions.
    - Baryons versus dark matter.

### The observables...

$$C_l \propto \int \frac{dk}{k} P_{\text{ini}}(k) \left[ \int d\eta T_{\gamma}(k,\eta) j_l[k(\eta_0 - \eta)] \right]^2$$

$$P_{m}(k, t_{0}) = T_{m}^{2}(k, t_{0}) P_{ini}(k)$$





Model testing and parameter inference...

• The simplest model that fits all present data:





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# The bottom line...

 It's pretty difficult to get away from the concordance \CDM framework, but...

• ... some strong physical assumptions are required to push errors down to the percent level.

# 2. Neutrino masses

### Neutrino dark matter...

• Massive neutrinos ( $m_v > 1 \text{ meV}$ ) are **dark matter**:

$$\Omega_{\nu} h^2 = \sum \frac{m_{\nu}}{93 \, \text{eV}}$$
 = Energy density

min  $\sum m_{\nu} \simeq 0.05 \,\text{eV}$  (Neutrino oscillations) max  $\sum m_{\nu} \simeq 6 \,\text{eV}$  (Tritium β decay) Small but not negligible!  $\Omega_{\nu} \sim 0.1 \,\% \rightarrow 12 \,\%$ 

#### Neutrino DM is hot:



Distinctive imprint on the large-scale structure

Detecting neutrino DM = measuring the neutrino mass

# The idea...

- Massive neutrinos are hot dark matter.
  - 1 eV neutrino becomes nonrelativistic at  $z_{nr} \sim 2000$ .
  - Structure formation begins at  $z_{eq} \sim 3000$ .
- Free-streaming from  $z_{eq}$  to  $z_{nr}$  suppresses formation of structures on small scales.



#### N-body simulation, Ma 1996





### Limitations...



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#### **Nonlinearity** Linear perturbation **Cosmic variance** theory applicable when: 105 $\Delta \equiv \frac{k^3 P(k)}{2 \pi^2} \ll 1$ P(k) No. of modes in (k, k+dk): 104 $V \frac{d^{3}k}{(2\pi)^{3}} = V \frac{k^{2}dk}{2\pi^{2}}$ spectrum, **Dimensionless** power spectrum 10<sup>3</sup> → Error bars: Linear $\delta P$ $\frac{V}{P} \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{V k^2 \delta k}}$ Power 10² $_{\nu}=0.0, \Omega_{\rm m}h^2=0.127$ Survey volume 10 10-2 $10^{-1}$ Wavenumber, k [h Mpc<sup>-1</sup>]





• Add SNIa...





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#### Schematic only! Not to scale!



• Net effect for the neutrino mass measurement...



### Present status...

It's pretty difficult to get away from  $\Sigma m_v < 1 - 2 \text{ eV}$  when all available data have been considered.

Reference	$\Sigma m_{\nu}$ (95% C.L.)	Model	Data
Ichikawa et al. 2006	< 2.0 eV	m	CMB only
Tegmark et al. 2006	< 0.94 eV	m	CMB, Galaxies
Seljak et al. 2006	< 0.17 eV	m	CMB, Galaxies, Lyman- $\alpha$ , SNIa, HST
Zunckel & Ferreira 200	07 < 2.2 eV	X	CMB, Galaxies
Spergel et al. 2006	< 0.7 eV	m	CMB, Galaxies, SNIa, HST
Goobar et al. 2006	< 0.6 eV	X	CMB, Galaxies, SNIa, BAO, HST
Kristiansen et al. 2006	s < 1.43 eV	m	CMB, Cluster mass function
Hannestad et al. 2007	< 0.65 eV	Х	CMB, Galaxies, SNIa, BAO
and many more.			m=minimal; x=extended

Towards improvement (detection?!?)...

• Larger survey volume for better statistics.

• More reliable probes and predictions at large wavenumbers k.

• New methods to probe large-scale structure to break degeneracies.

3. Future probes...





High-z spectroscopic galaxy surveys Radio arrays













# Weak lensing of galaxies/Cosmic shear...

• Distortion (magnification or stretching) of distant galaxy images by **foreground matter**.







Lensed

- **Tomography** = bin galaxies by redshift
  - $\rightarrow$  Probe evolution of density perturbations.



- Past: Weak lensing first detected in 2000.
- Present: There are some ongoing surveys (e.g., CFHTLS).
- Future:

- **Dark Energy Survey** (**DES**) to start in 2012.
- Large Synoptic Survey Telescope (LSST) to start in 2014.

• Planck+LSST sensitivities (based on a 11-parameter model):

### $1\sigma$ sensitivities

_	Neutrino mass, $\Sigma m_v$	0.05 eV
_	Dark energy density, $\Omega_{de}$	1%
_	Dark matter density, $\Omega_c h^2$	1%
_	<b>Baryon density</b> , $\Omega_{b}h^{2}$	0.6%
_	DE equation of state, w	3%
_	Optical depth to reionisation, $\tau$	8%
_	Scalar spectral index, n <sub>s</sub>	1%
_	Number of neutrino species, $N_v$	2%

Hannestad, Tu & Y<sup>3</sup>W, 2006

# Baryon wiggles...

• Acoustic oscillations of coupled photon-baryon fluid at recombination (cf CMB anisotropies).



• BAO as a standard ruler:

$$r_{\perp} = r_{\parallel} = s_{\text{peak}} \sim 150 \ h^{-1} \,\text{Mpc}$$



- BAO has been detected
   @ z ~ 0.35.
- Planned/proposed spectroscopic surveys, (WFMOS, HETDEX, etc.) will observe @ 2 < z < 4.</li>
- Complementary to SNIa for probing dark energy.



Eisenstein et al. (SDSS), 2005

# Even further down the road...

• 21 cm emission lines from Hydrogen spin flip.

• Lensing of 21 cm.





What are the components and how much? What is the geometry? The initial conditions? The eventual fate? ... Precision cosmology