

Universo Primitivo

2021-2022 (1º Semestre)

Mestrado em Física - Astronomia

Chapter 1

1. The observed Universe

- Foreword: The Olber's paradox;
- The Universe at different scales;
- Observational Cosmology: empirical facts and the hot Big-Bang theory
 - Cosmic Expansion: The Hubble law;
 - The abundancies of the light elements;
 - The existence of a Cosmic Background Radiation;
 - The isotropy of distant objects;
 - The existents of dark matter;
 - The accelerated expansion of the Universe
- Formation and evolution of cosmic structure

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$$\text{light} = \int_{r_0}^{\infty} L(r)N(r) dr.$$



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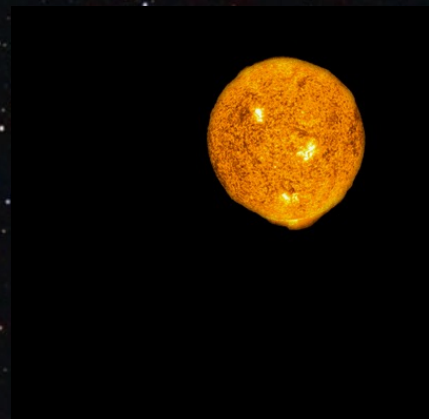


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Olbers paradox in action.

Exercise: prove why this happens



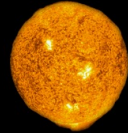
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Some possible explanations:

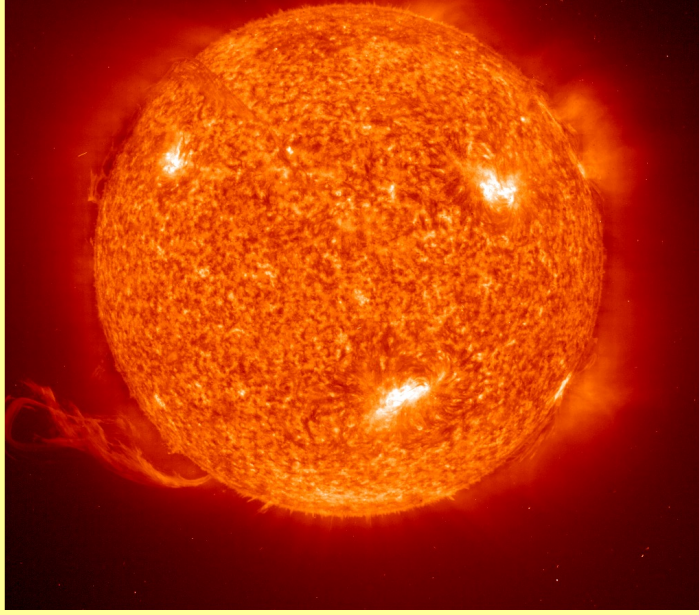
1. Too much dust absorbs light from distant stars.
2. The number of stars in the Universe is finite.
3. The distribution of stars is not uniform.
4. The Universe is expanding. Light from distant stars are dimmed (redshifted) into obscurity.
5. The observed Universe has a finite age. Distant light hasn't even reached us yet.



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The Universe at different
scales

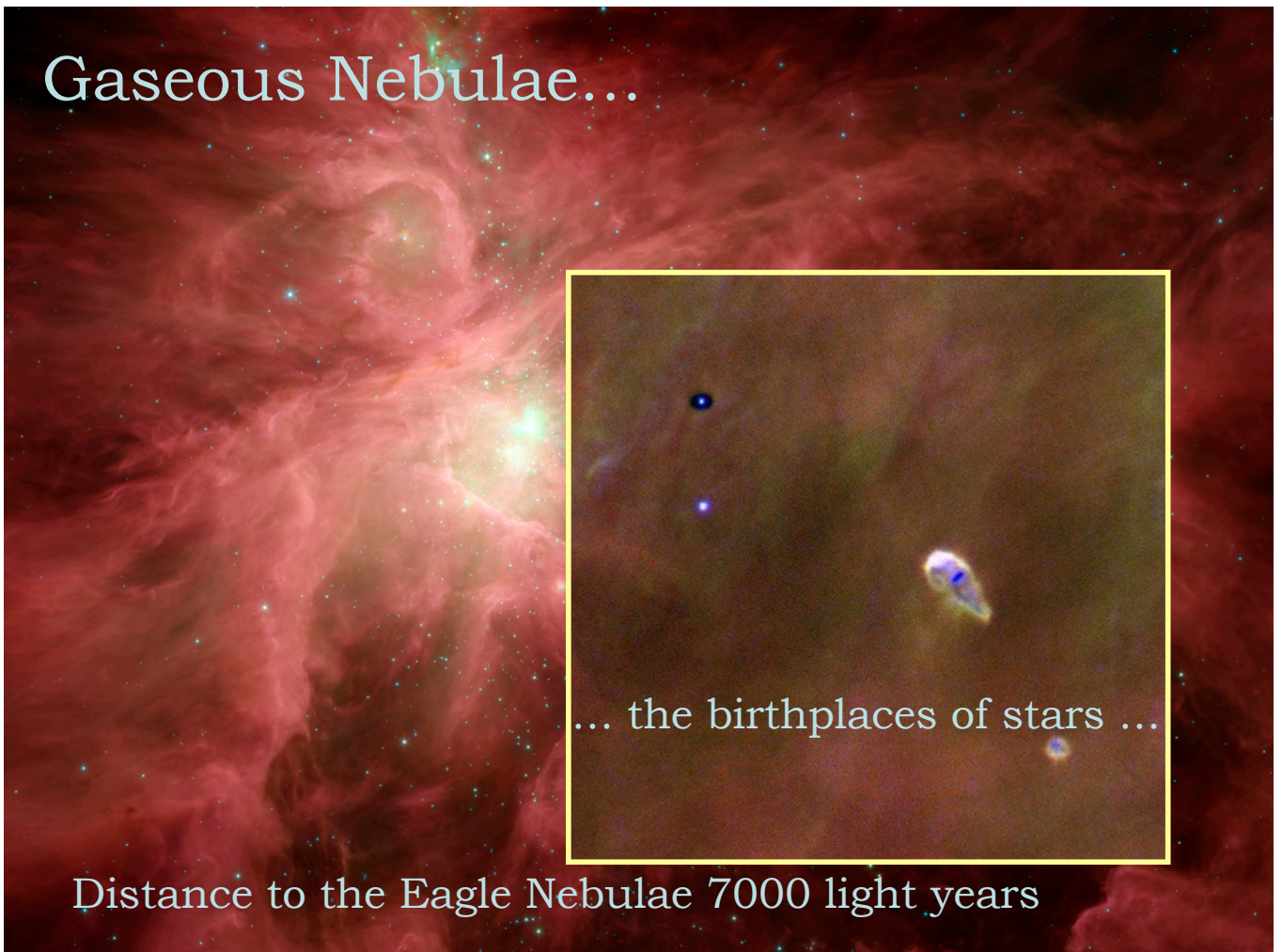
Stars...



Sun: 8 light minutes away
 α -Centauri 4,25 light years



Gaseous Nebulae...



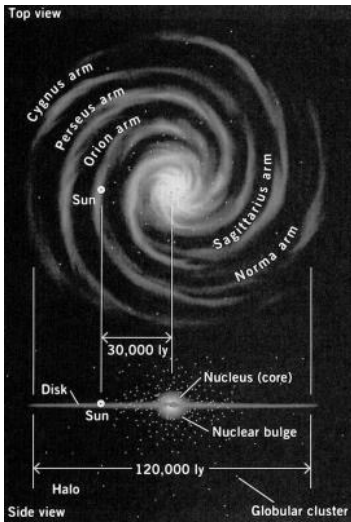
... the birthplaces of stars ...

Distance to the Eagle Nebulae 7000 light years

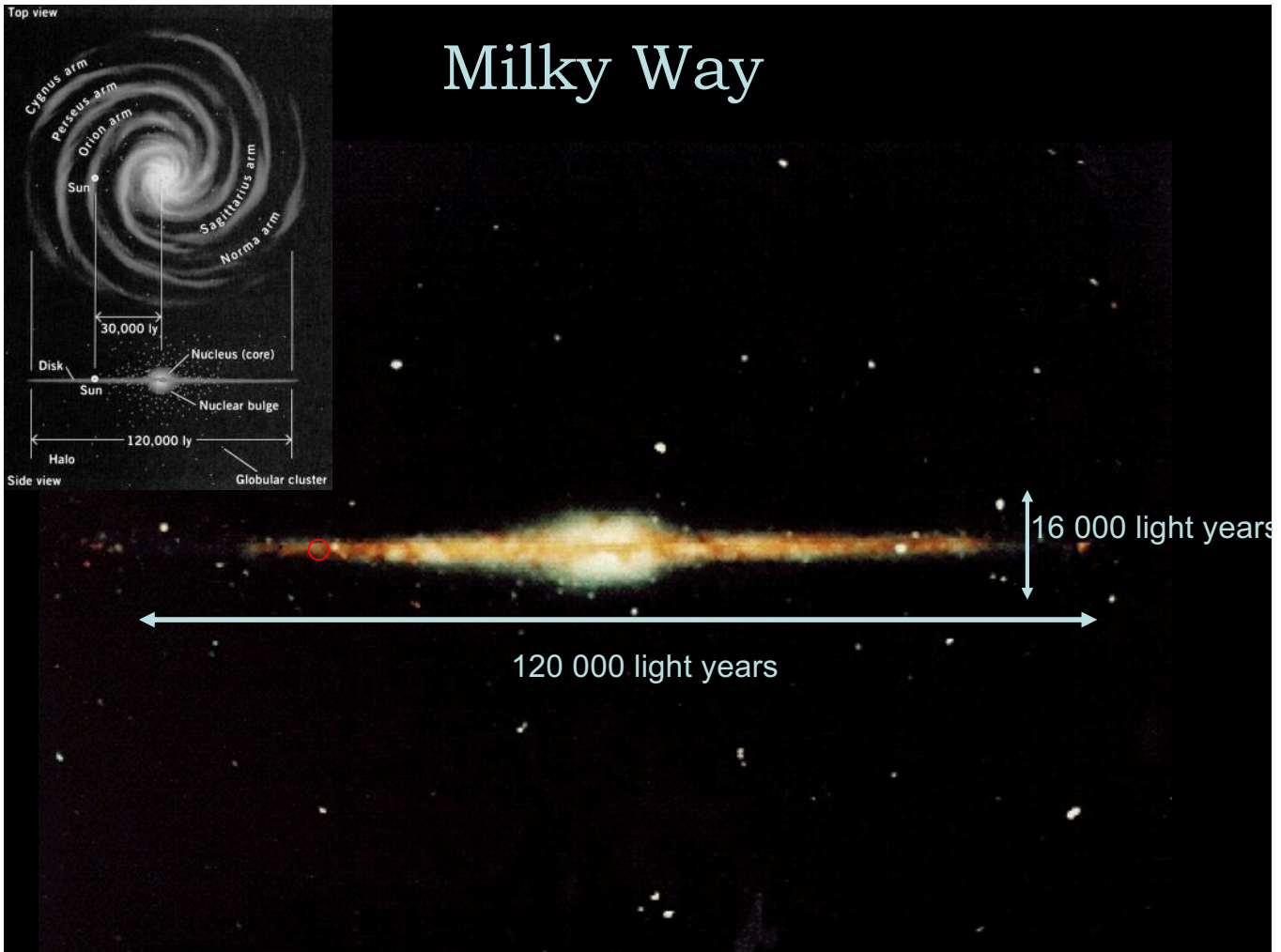
The galaxy...



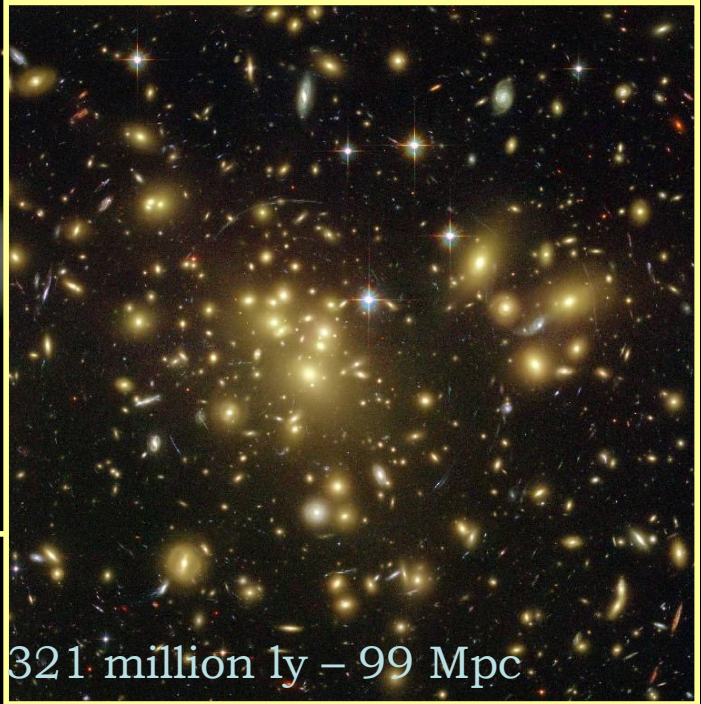
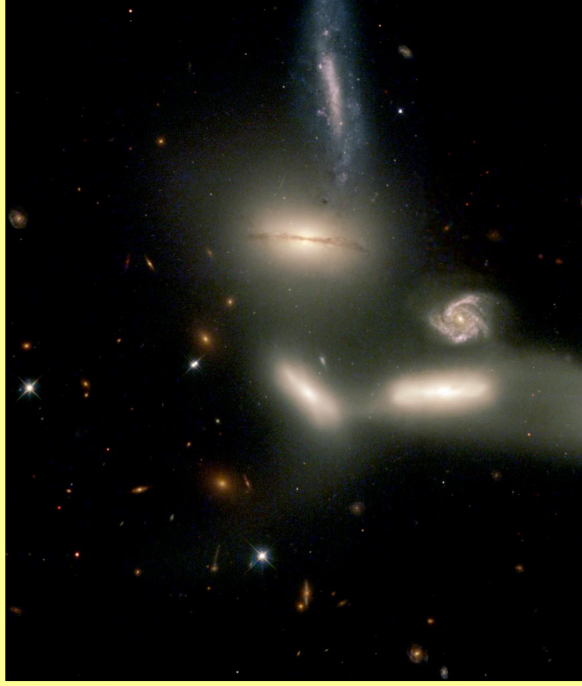
A home for billions of stars...



Milky Way

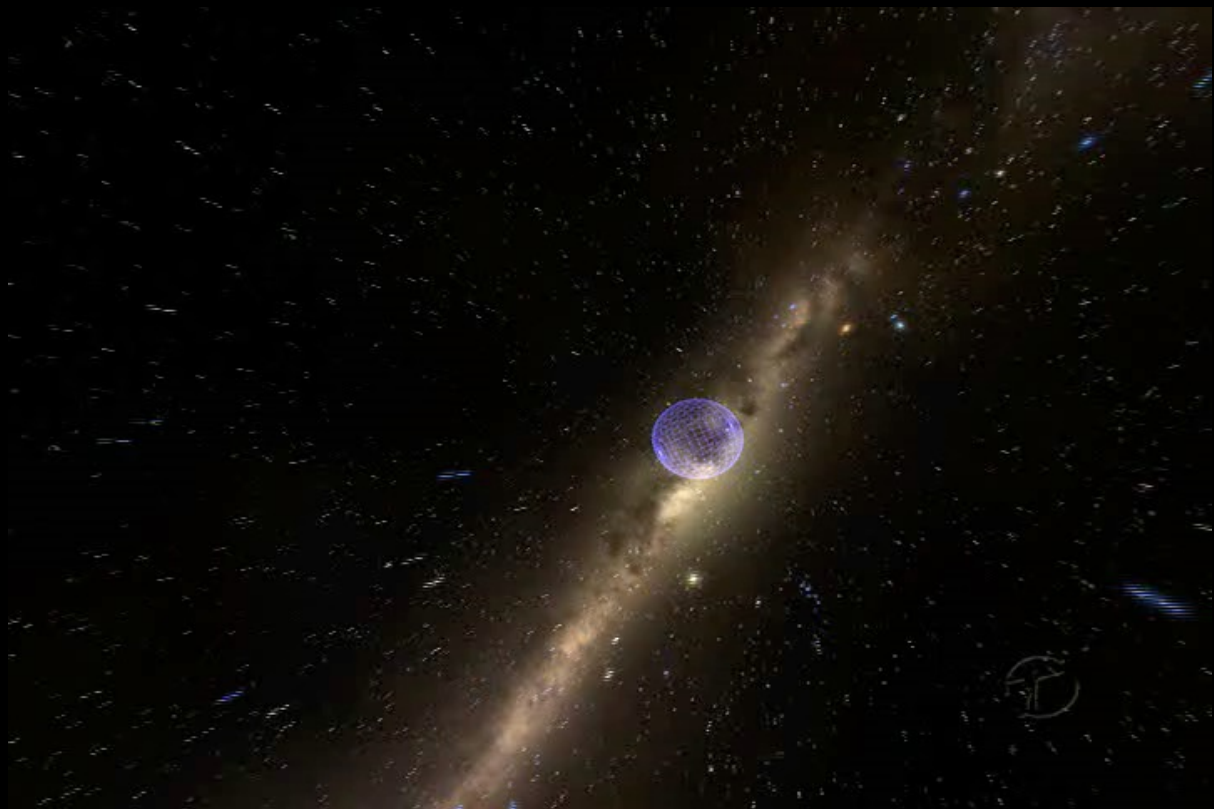


Groups and Clusters of Galaxies...



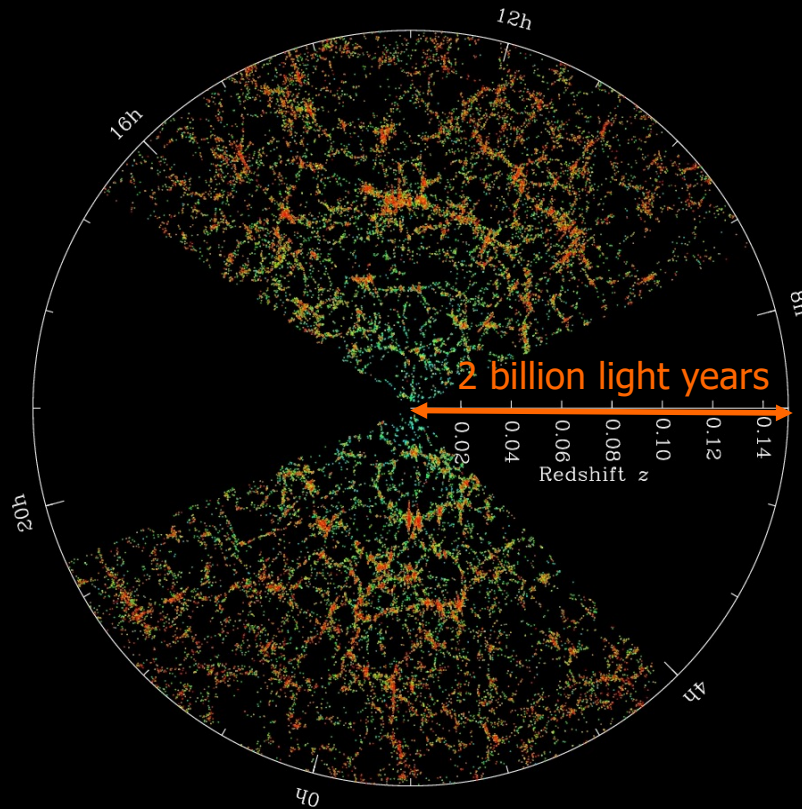
Distance to Coma cluster 321 million ly – 99 Mpc

Our place in the Universe...



Credits: American Natural History Museum; gently provided by Miguel de Avillez U. Évora

LSS: “The fingers of God”...



Credit: M. Blanton and the Sloan Digital Sky Survey

Further away and back in time...
First stars forming period

Distance: 12.8 – 13.4 billion years back in time

CMB...

The edge of the visible Universe

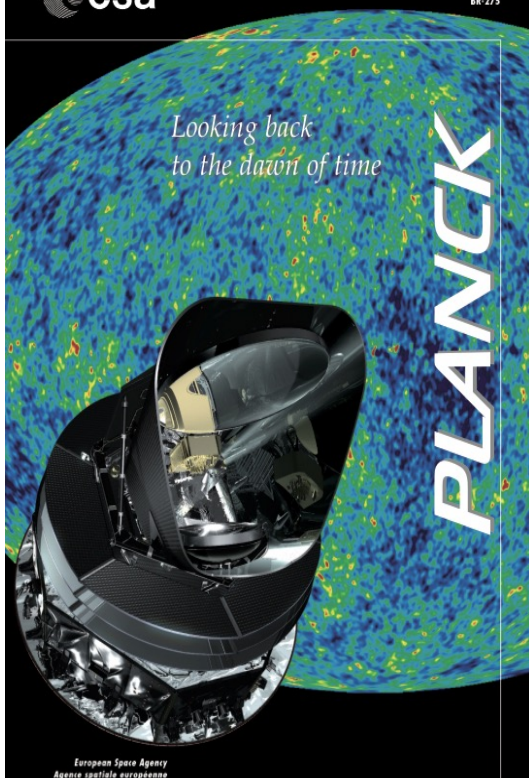
Distance: ~13.8 billion years back in time

Fig. credits: NASA / WMAP Science Team

Planck Surveyor: looking back to the dawn of time



BR-275



Project: ESA lead mission to observe the temperature and polarization anisotropies of the Cosmic Microwave Background (CMB) radiation with unprecedented precision.

Total Cost: about €700 million (€1 / person in EU)

Mission timeline:

Launch: 14 May 2009

Operational orbit at L2: July 2009

Nominal science phase: end of January 2011

Extended mission: Shut down date: 19 Oct. 2013

Payload:

Telescope: 1.5 m projected apertures

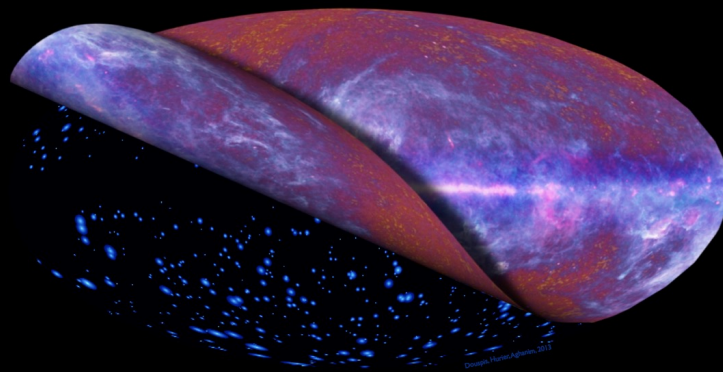
Low Frequency Instrument (LFI): array of 22 tuned radio receivers operating at 30, 44 and 70 GHz.

High Frequency Instrument (HFI): array of 52 bolometers operating at 100, 143, 217, 353, 545, and 857 GHz.

Fig. credits: ESA

Planck CMB observations

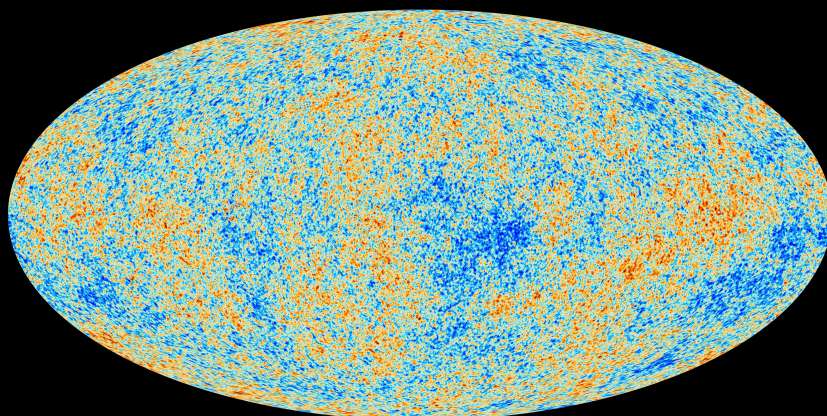
2009-2013: Planck satellite observes the CMB sky with unprecedented angular resolution and sensitivity.



Animation credits: ESA and the Planck collaboration; Cluster map by Douspis, Hurier, Aghanim 2013

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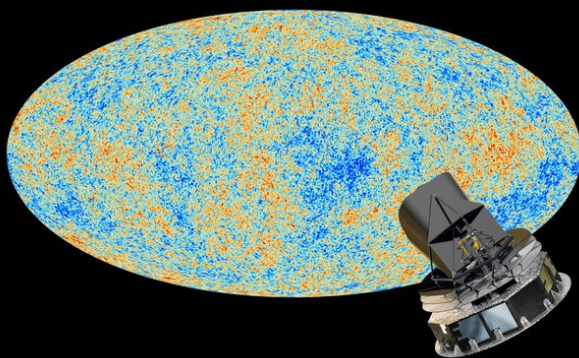


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Galaxy surveys: 3D mapping of the Universe...

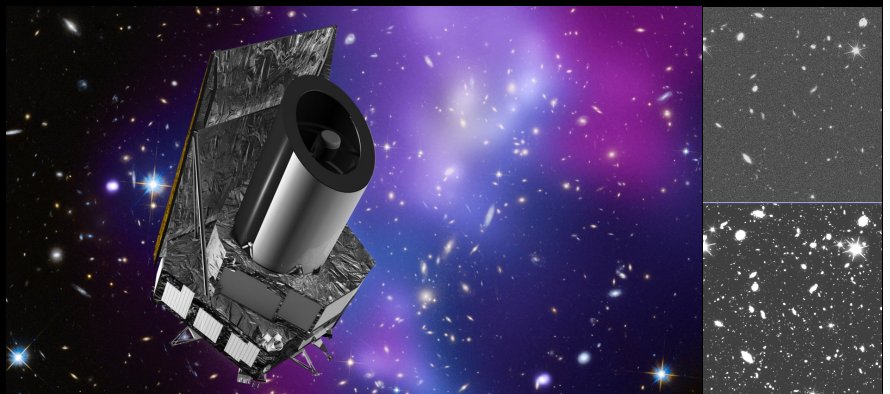
SDSS: aims at ~25% of the sky; ~100 million objects

ESA Cosmology missions



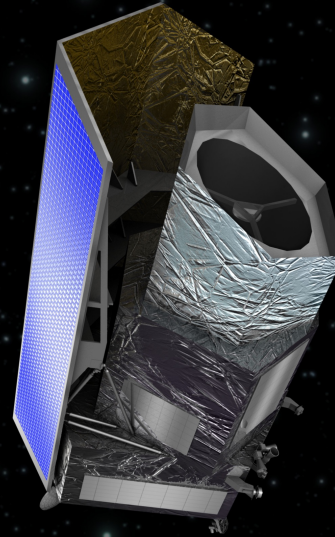
ESA/NASA Planck Surveyor:
2009 - 2013

ESA Euclid:
2023 - 2029



Euclid mission (ESA): Galaxy Surveys from space (launch 2022)

Portuguese official participation lead by the cosmology group @ IA – CAUP/FCUL



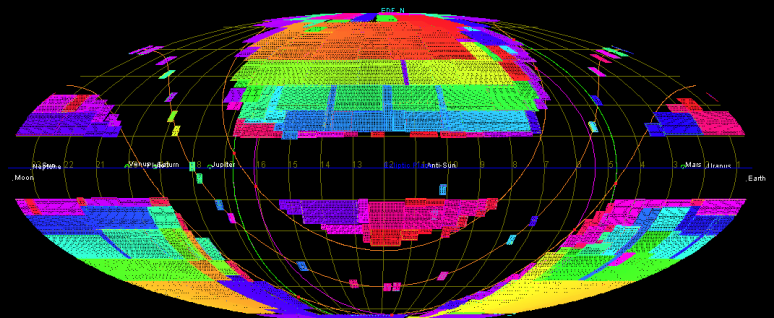
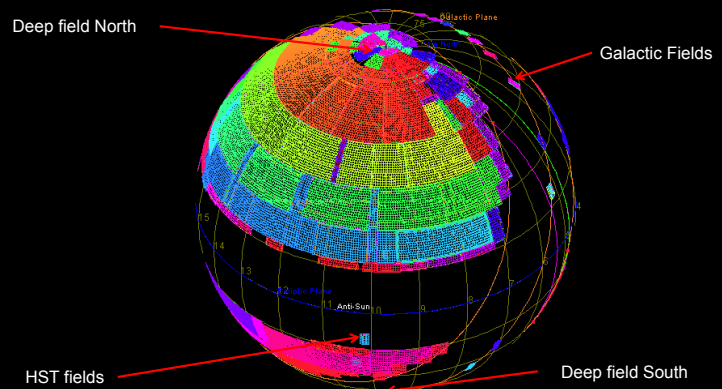
Euclid: ~ 2000 million galaxies

Fig. credits: ESA - C. Carreau.

Euclid survey planning

Portuguese official contribution is carried out at IA/FCUL:

- J. Dínis
- I. Tereno
- C. S. Cavalho
- A. da Silva



From: Euclid Preparation I. The Euclid Reference Survey: status at the Preliminary Design Review, submitted to the ECEB, 2019

Observational cosmology: empirical facts about the Universe

1. The Universe is expanding

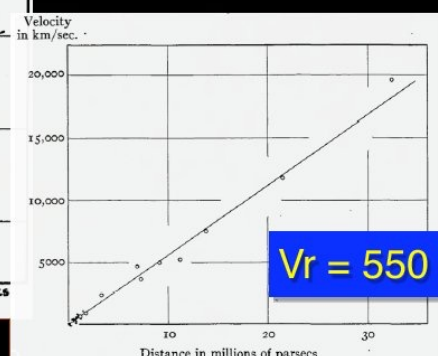
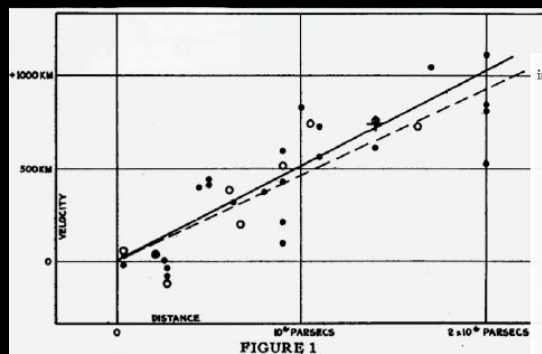


Edwin Hubble

1912: Vesto Slipher is the first to observe spectral line (red)shifts towards nebulae and to relate these redshifts to their recessional velocities.

1924: Edwin Hubble ends debate on the nature of nebulae being galactic objects

1929: reports a linear relation between relative radial velocity and distance: $v = Hd$

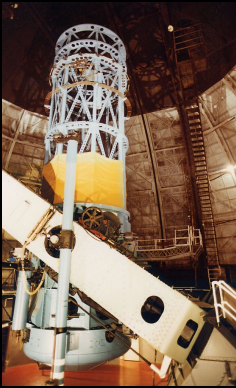


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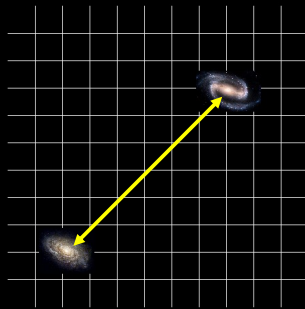
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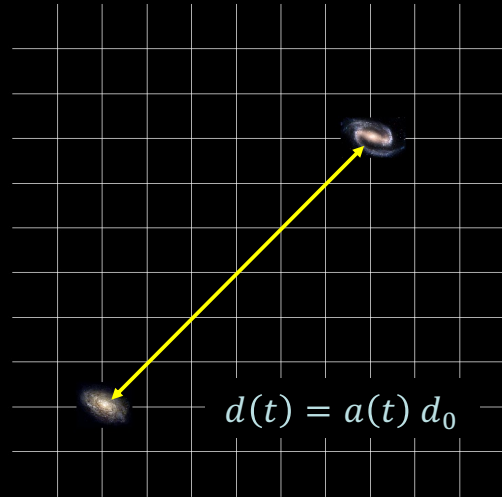
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At a given time



At a latter time, t



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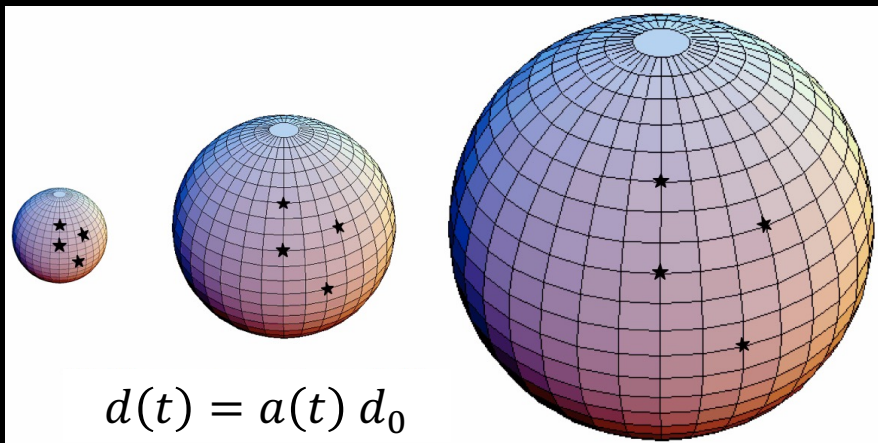
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Time evolution of an expanding spherical surface



From:

The basic idea behind the Big-Bang theory

- If the universe is expanding and matter-energy is conserved during the expansion then the universe had to be smaller, denser and hotter in the past!
- If so, the Universe must have evolved from a state where matter and radiation form a **ultra dense and hot ionized plasma** of fundamental particles
- As the universe expands and cools down:
 - interactions between the plasma components become less frequent;
 - different particle species should decouple from the plasma;
 - eventually the universe becomes neutral and transparent to radiation



According to the Big-Bang theory, in the early instants...

“ the Universe was a extremely hot and dense plasma, like a ‘torrid bright fog’ ...

... radiation was trapped in this plasma through collisions with other plasma particles

... as the universe expands, the plasma temperature drops, atomic nuclei form, and capture the free electrons in the plasma. When the number of free electrons is too small, radiation no longer interacts with the plasma and propagates freely, giving rise to the Cosmic Microwave Background and neutral matter”

2. The abundance of light nuclei

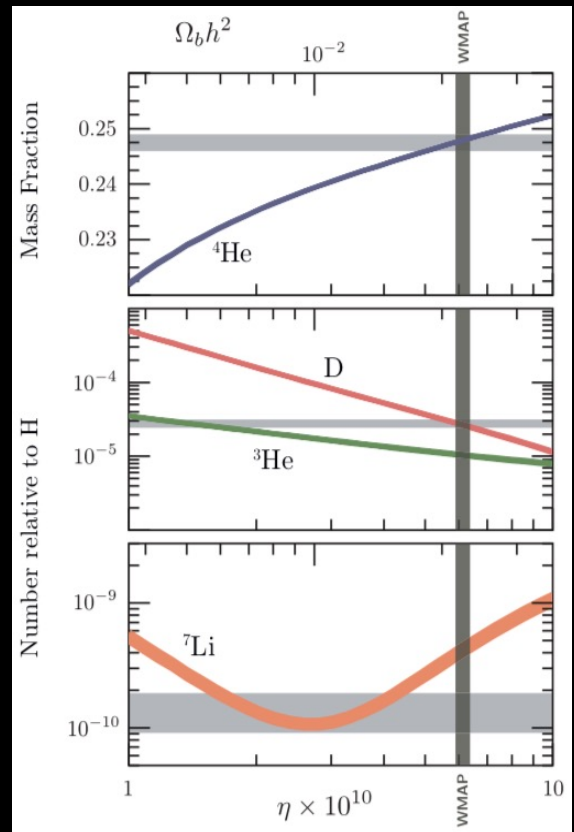


Herman, Gamow, Alpher

The relative abundance of light elements can not be explained by stellar nucleosynthesis

1948: Alpher & Gamow computed the abundance of light elements in the context of the **Big Bang** theory

Light elements were produced at low temperatures ($< 10^9$ K and high densities) during several tens of minutes



3. Cosmic Microwave Background

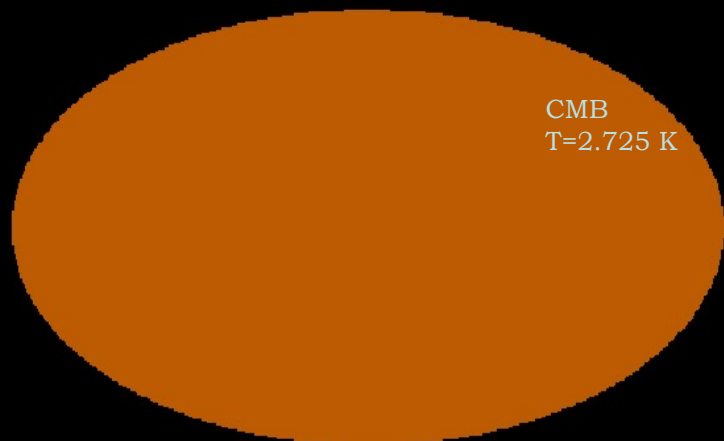
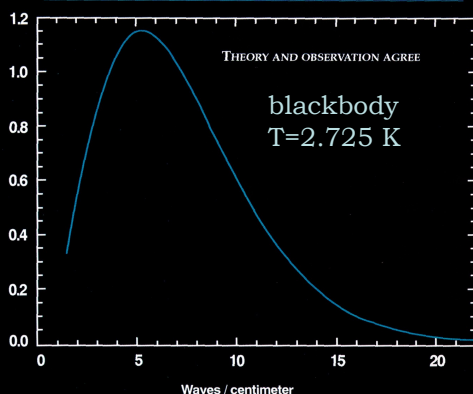


Penzias & Wilson

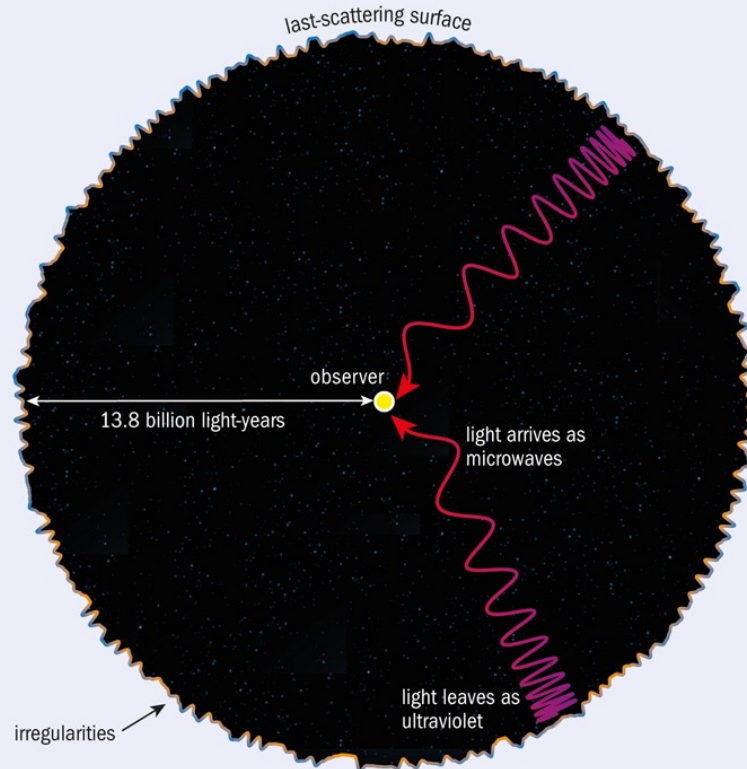
1965: Penzias & Wilson serendipitously discovered a uniform radiation (“excess”) across the sky.

This was the cosmic microwave background radiation predicted by Gamow and Alpher in 1948

COSMIC MICROWAVE BACKGROUND SPECTRUM FROM COBE



CMB: the last scattering surface



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Reprinted from: <http://physicsworld.com/cws/article/indepth/2014/jan/09/planck-perspectives>

3. Cosmic Microwave Background



John Mather & George Smoot

1991: High precision measurement of CMB temperature by COBE and 1st detection of temperature fluctuations (Mather & Smoot)

2001: State of the art measurements of $dT/T \sim 1e-5$ temperature fluctuations by WMAP

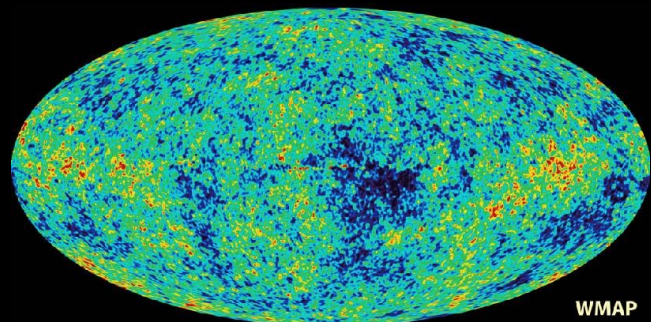
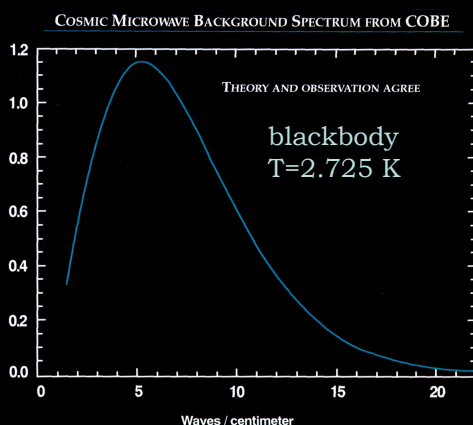


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4. Isotropy of distant objects

On Large Scales the Universe...
... appears to be ISOTROPIC

CMB
T=2.725 K

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The Cosmological Principle (Milne, Einstein):
"all places in the Universe are alike" – Einstein

The Universe Homogeneous and Isotropic on large scales

The APM Galaxy Survey
Maddox et al

Distant Objects in the Hubble Ultra Deep Field

NASA, ESA, R. Windhorst (Arizona State University)
and H. Yan (Spitzer Science Center, Caltech)

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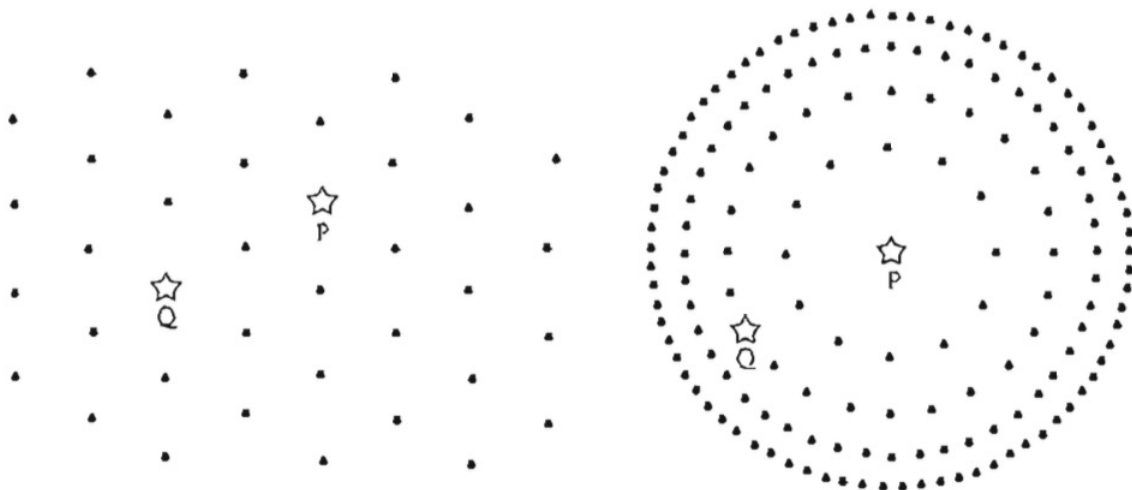
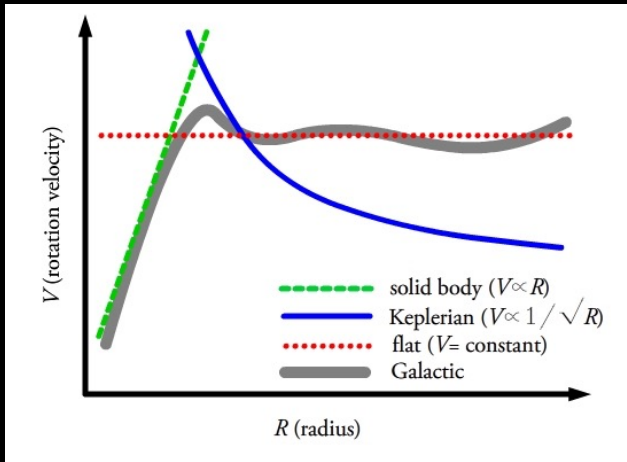


Fig. 3.1 A point distribution, statistically isotropic around every point (left) and around a unique point (P) (right). In the second version, P and Q are not equivalent. The cosmological principle excludes such kinds of solutions, which would assume that we lie in a special place in the Universe. From Ref. [1] of the introduction.

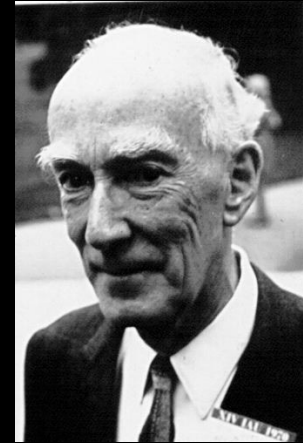
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5. The existence of Dark Matter



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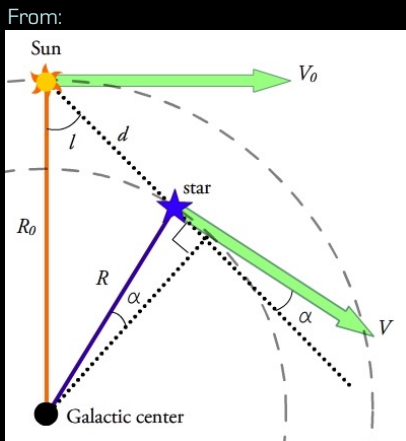


Jan Oort

1927: Jan Oort studies the **rotation of stars in our galaxy** and infers that their rotation is not consistent with Keplerian motion.

$$v_{circ} = \sqrt{\frac{GM(R)}{r}}$$

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Circular motion:

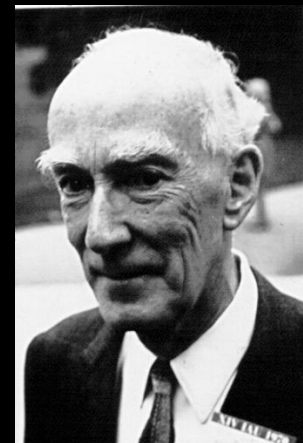
$$v_{circ} = \sqrt{\frac{GM(R)}{r}}$$

If the whole mass is mostly at the centre: $v_{cir}^2 \sim 1/r$

Oorts constants:

$$A \equiv -\frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{dV_c}{dR} \Big|_{R_0} - \frac{V_{c,0}}{R_0} \right]$$

$$B \equiv -\frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{dV_c}{dR} \Big|_{R_0} + \frac{V_{c,0}}{R_0} \right]$$

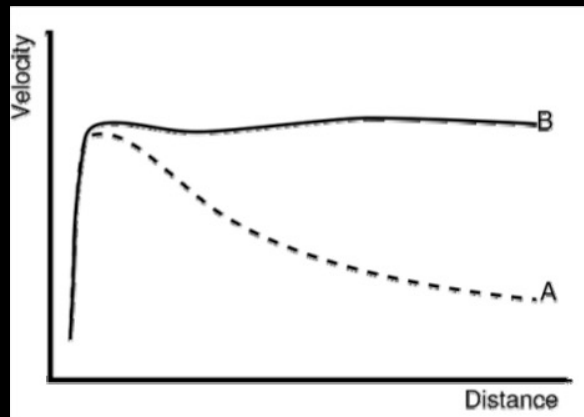


Observations vs Keplerian motion:

- **Kepler. motion:** $(A-B)/(A+B) = 2$
- **Observations :** $(A-B)/(A+B) = 5$

-Mass is not concentrated at the centre
-Non-luminous mass is required

5. The existence of Dark Matter



B: Observations

A: theoretical expectations

1980: Vera Rubin and others also find that **stars rotate too fast in the outskirts of spiral galaxies** to remain bound assuming that gravity is produced only by visible matter.

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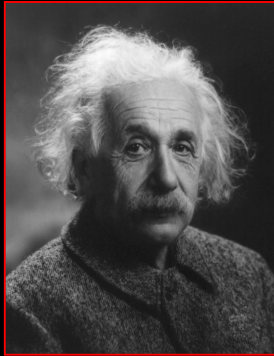
Fritz Zwicky

1936: Fritz Zwicky applied the **Virial theorem to the velocities of galaxies in the Coma cluster** and finds very high mass-to-light ratios, $\Upsilon = M/L$, for them to remain bound: $\Upsilon_{coma}/\Upsilon_{sun} = 500 \gg 2-10$ for galaxies.

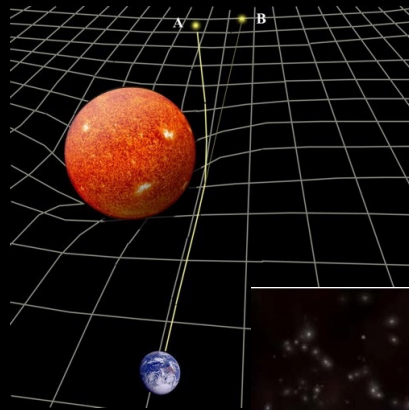
- **Virial theorem (for gravitationally relaxed systems):** $2\bar{E}_k + \bar{E}_p = 0$
- **Mass from the virial theorem:** $M_V = \langle v^2 \rangle \langle R \rangle / G$
- **Visible luminous Mass:** $M_L = N_g \Upsilon_g L_g$
(N_g - number of galaxies; Υ_g - galaxy mass-to-light ratio; L_g galaxy luminosity)

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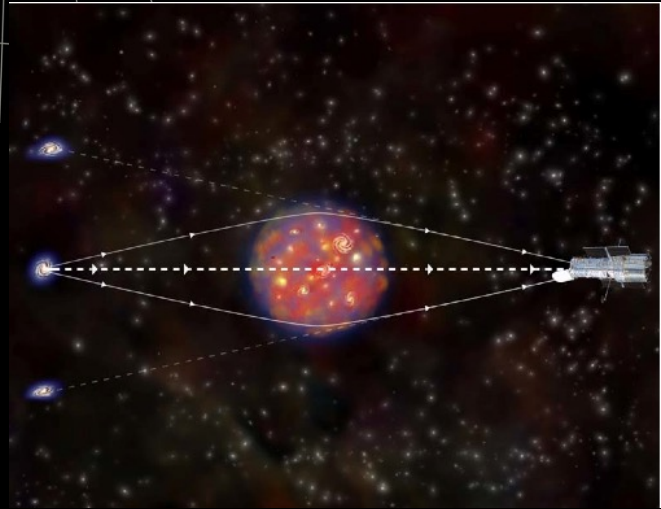
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Albert Einstein



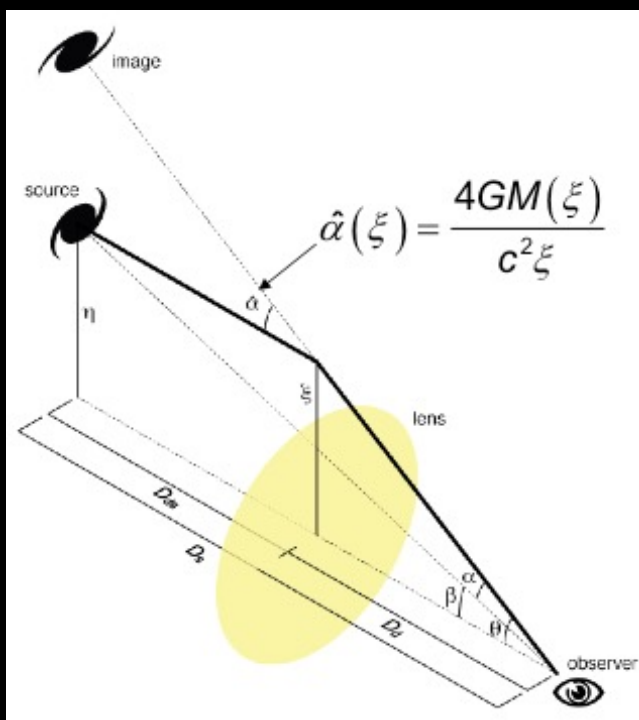
$$G_{\mu\nu} = 8\pi GT_{\mu\nu}$$



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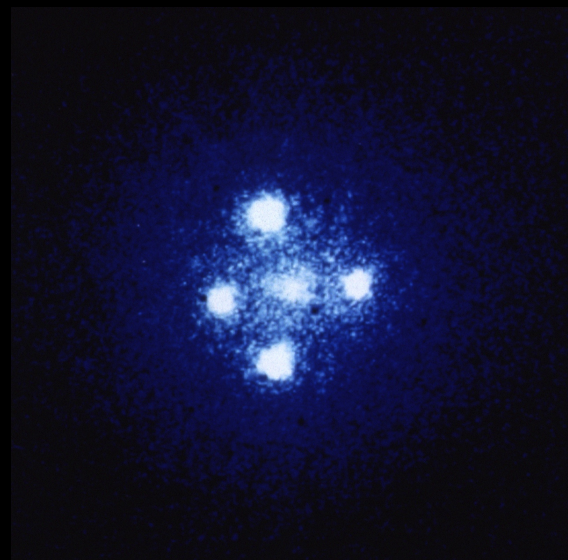
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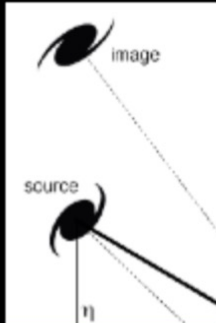
Strong lensing



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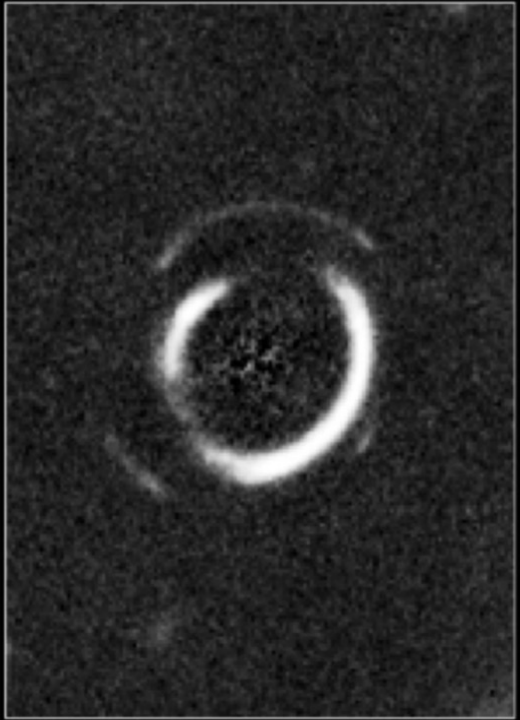
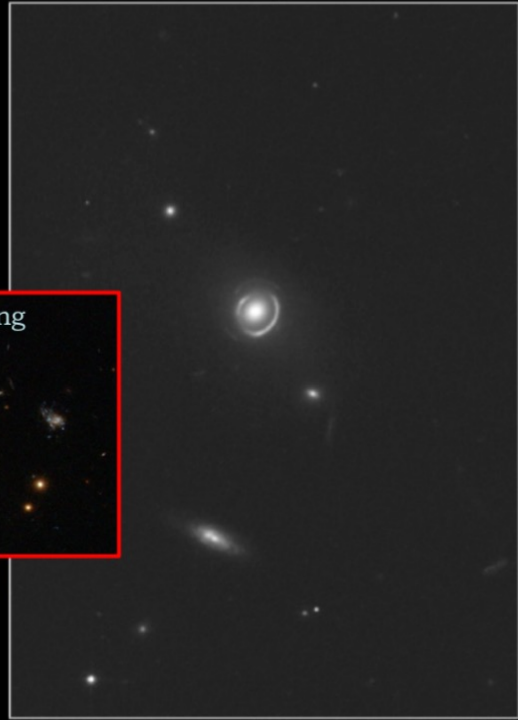
lensing effects: **strong lensing**

Einstein Rings



Double Einstein Ring SDSSJ0946+1006

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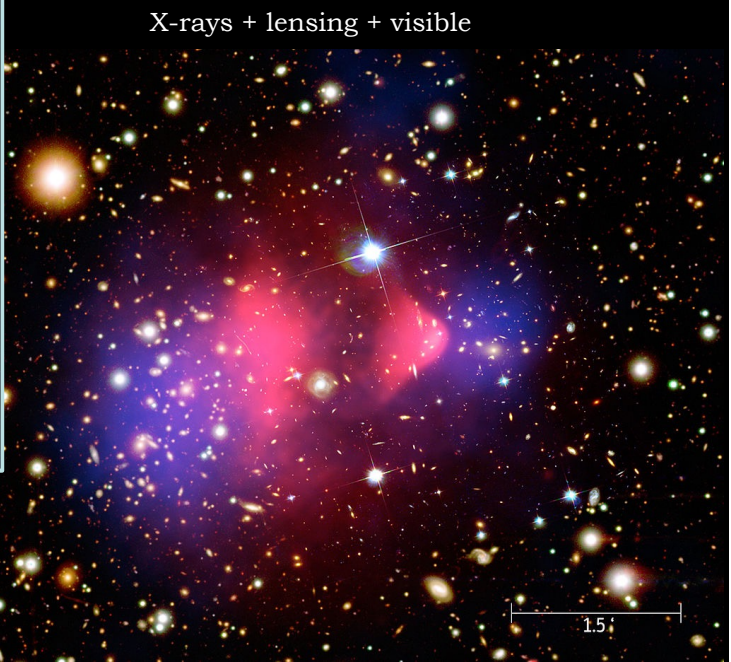
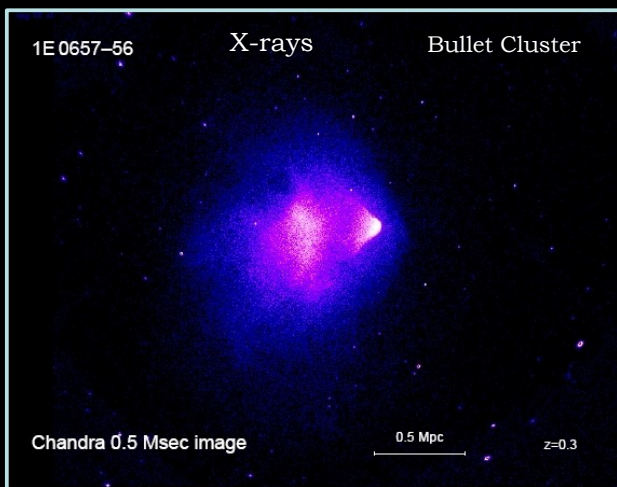


NASA, ESA, R. Gavazzi and T. Treu (University of California, Santa Barbara), and the SLACS Team

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5. The existence of Dark Mater

2003: X-ray (produced by extremely hot gas – in **red**) vs weak lensing observations (probing the total mass distribution in **blue**) of **the Bullet Cluster** put in evidence that galaxy clusters must contain “dark matter”



Refs:
astro-ph/0309303
astro-ph/0312273

6. Cosmic expansion is accelerating



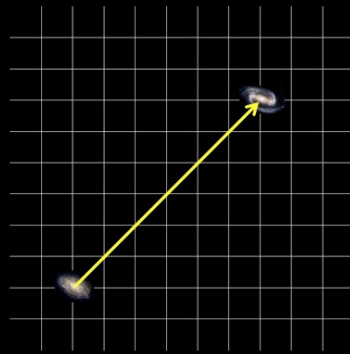
1998: S. Perlmutter and the supernova Cosmology project found first evidence for the accelerated expansion of the Universe.

assuming supernovae are standard candles, they appear further away (green arrow) then predicted by non-accelerating expansion models (yellow arrow).

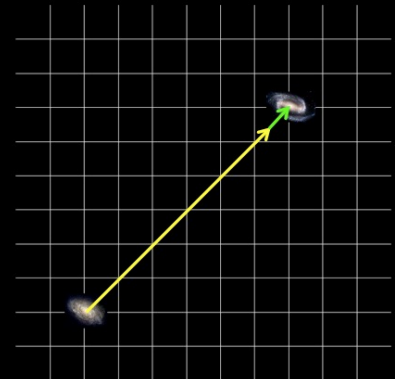
$$d(t) = a(t) d_0$$

with $\ddot{a}(t) > 0$

No Accelerated expansion

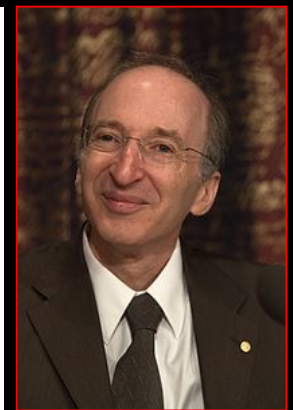
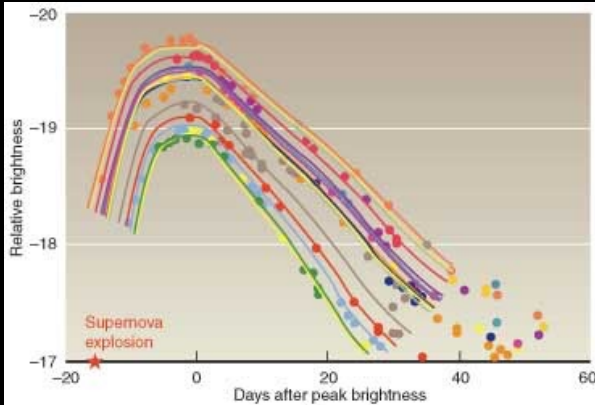
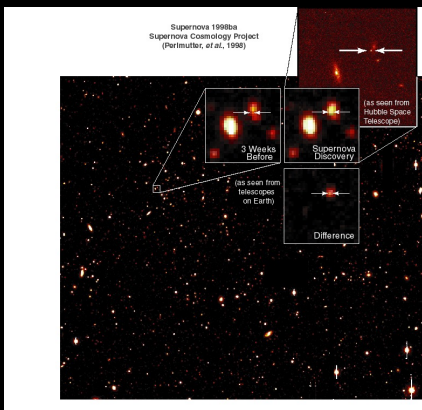


Accelerated expansion



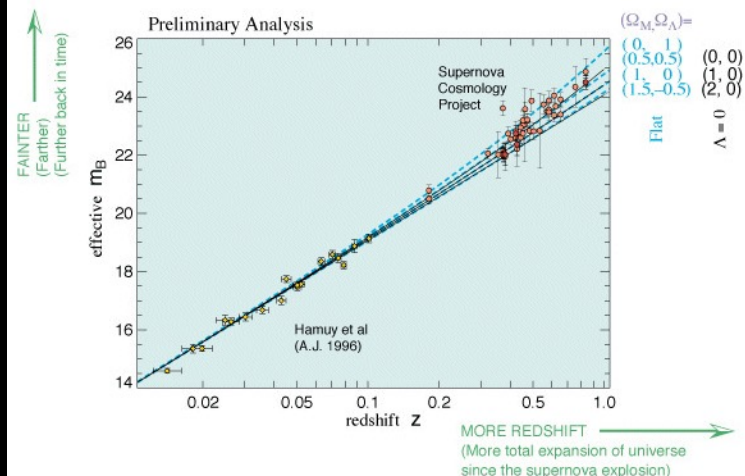
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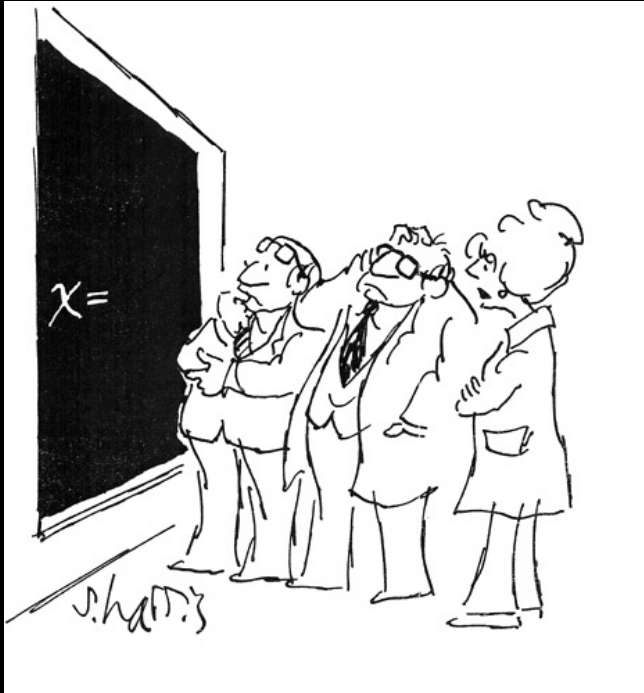


Cosmological redshift:

$$z = \frac{E - E_0}{E_0} = \frac{v}{v_0} - 1 = \frac{\lambda_0}{\lambda} - 1 = \frac{a_0}{a} - 1$$



How Cosmological structure forms and evolves?

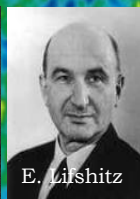


Observations indicate that

- on small scales the universe is NOT homogeneous and isotropic
- On large cosmological scales the Universe does not show indications of strong anisotropies. Together with the cosmological principle this implies the universe is highly homogeneous and isotropic
- However it shows small anisotropies in the CMB.

How structure forms and evolves?

Structures should grow due to Gravitational Instability (Jeans, Lifshitz,...)



$$\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{r}, t) = -\frac{1}{a} \nabla \phi = \frac{3\Omega H^2}{8\pi} \int d\mathbf{x}' \delta(\mathbf{x}', t) \frac{(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x})}{|\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}|^3}$$

Density fluctuations: $t=13.7$ billion years

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Density fluctuations: t=12.7 billion years

500 Mpc/h

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Millennium simulation, Springel et al.

Density fluctuations: t=9 billion years

500 Mpc/h

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Millennium simulation, Springel et al.

Density fluctuations: t=1 billion years

500 Mpc/h

$$\mathbf{g}(\mathbf{r}, t) = -\frac{1}{a} \nabla \phi = \frac{3\Omega H^2}{8\pi} \int d\mathbf{x}' \delta(\mathbf{x}', t) \frac{(\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x})}{|\mathbf{x}' - \mathbf{x}|^3}$$

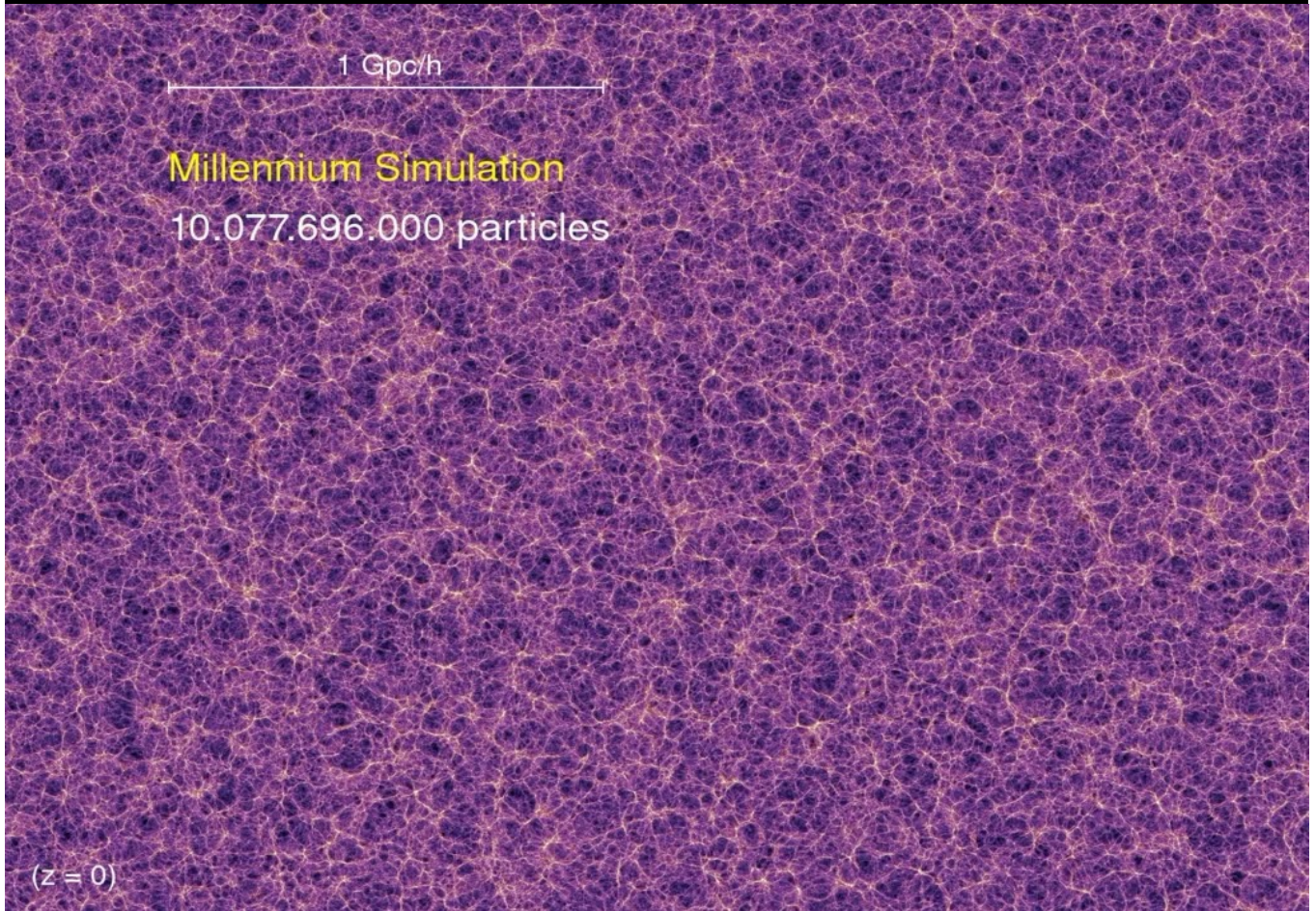
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Cosmological structure formation

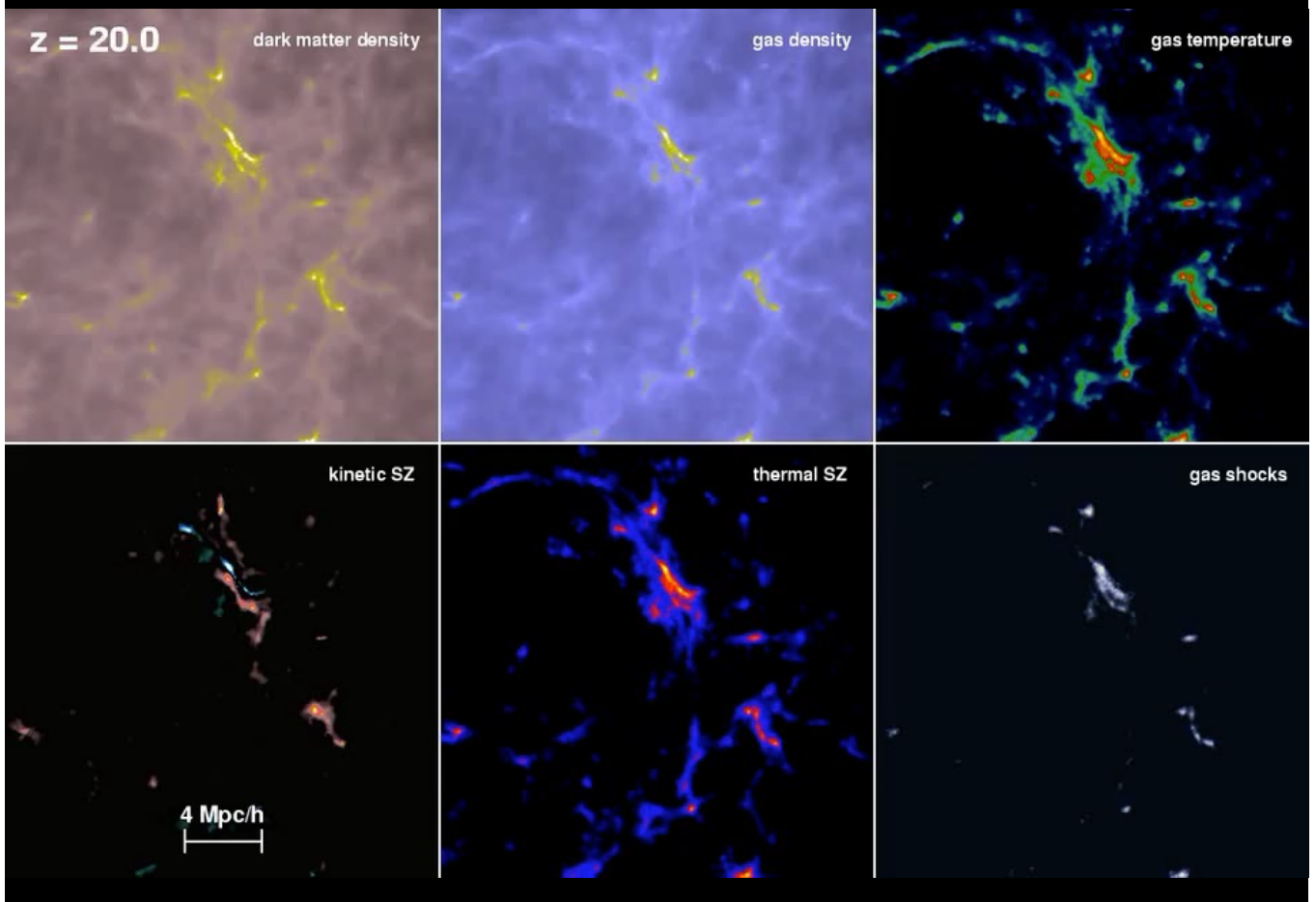
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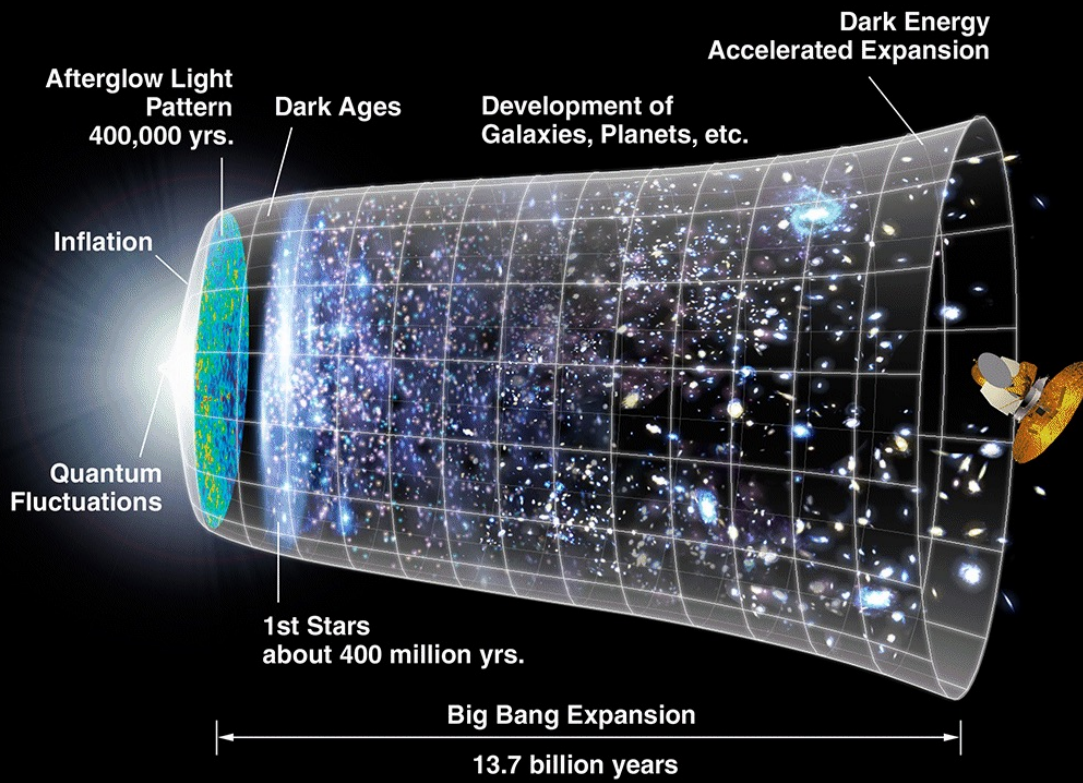
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