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Neutrinos in cosmology

A generic prediction of the hot Big Bang model is a relic neutrino background which leaves detectable imprints on cosmological observations.

Both the *acoustic oscillations* in the primordial plasma as well as the *background evolution* and structure formation

Cosmological observations are sensitive to both the **number of neutrino species** and their **total mass**

Sum of neutrino masses