

# Candidacy Talk

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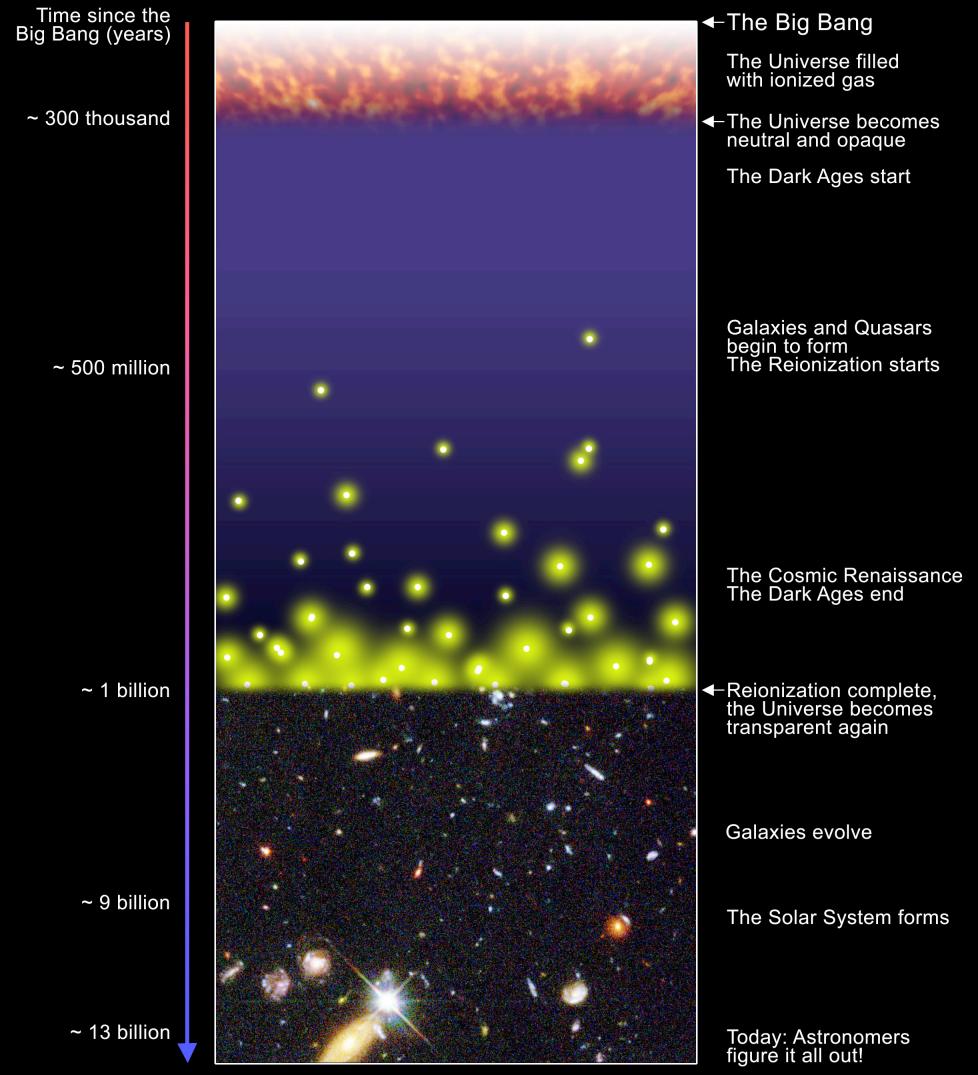
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# Overview

- Tensor modes and the CMB
- Spin-kinetic temperature coupling in the 21 cm line
- Imprints of reionization in the galaxy power spectrum
- Future work

## What is the Reionization Era? A Schematic Outline of the Cosmic History



# Cosmic microwave background fluctuations from gravitational waves: An analytic approach

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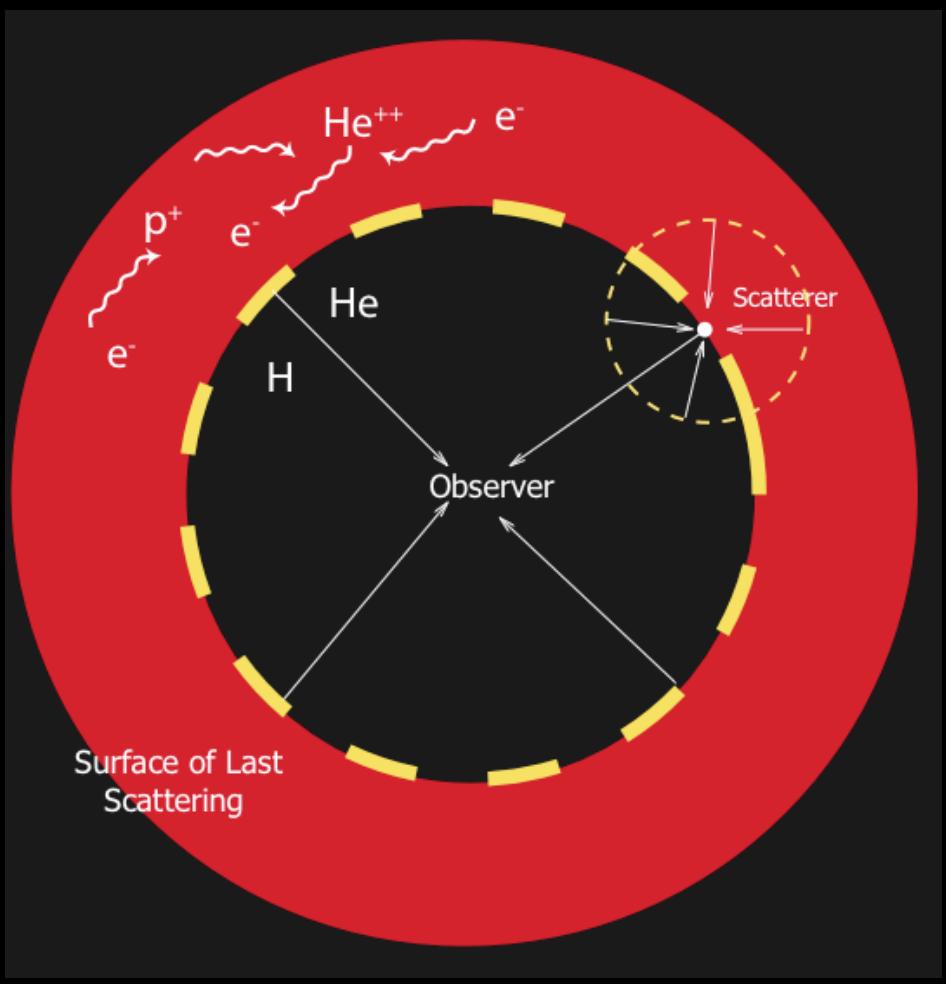
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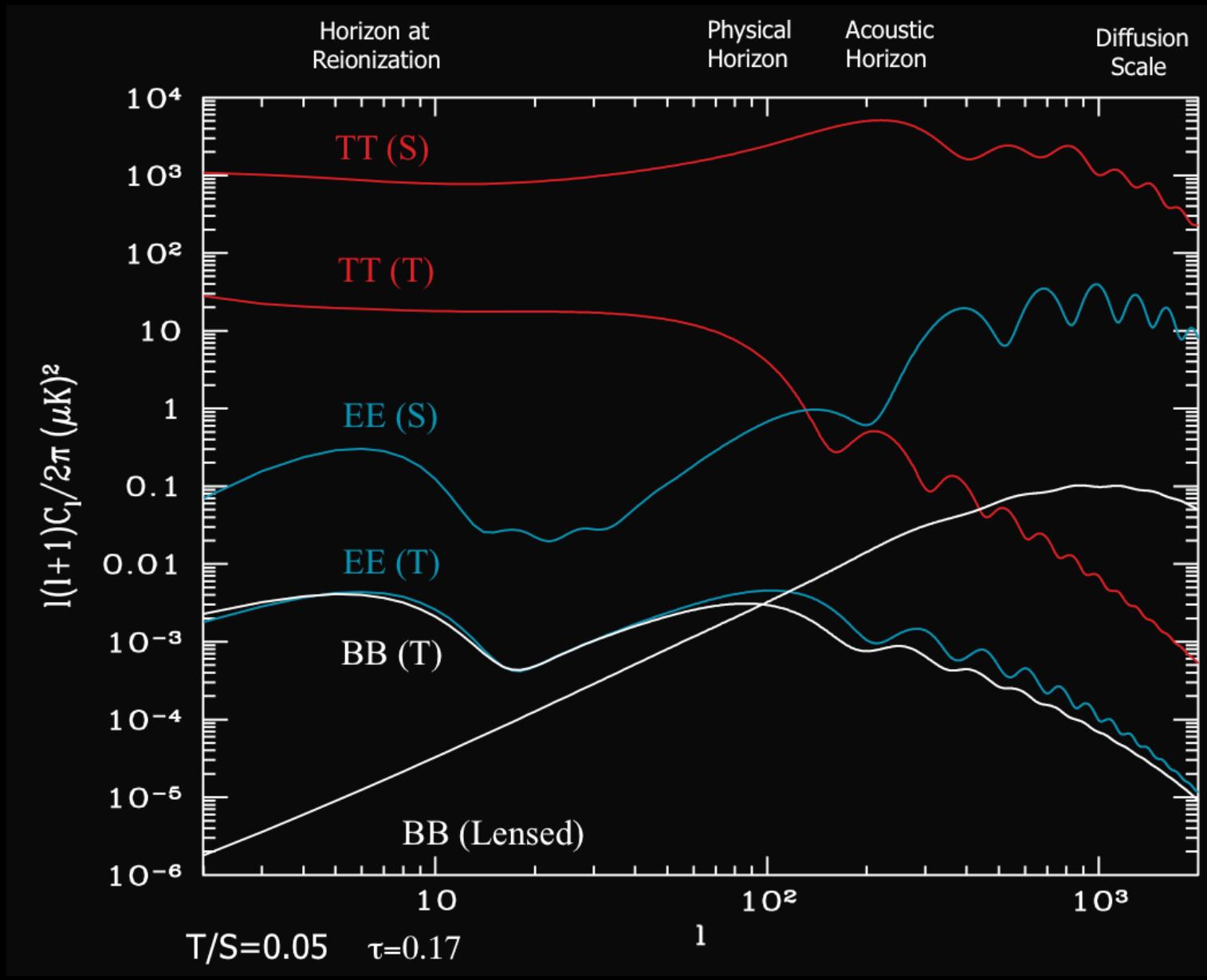
- Gravitational waves produced during inflation provide a possible probe of the very early universe.
- Much experimental interest in detecting the B mode polarisation signal.
- Analytic understanding of the form of the power spectrum is useful in providing intuition.
- Will describe the various elements that go into calculating the tensor power spectra and describe useful analytic approximations.
- Hope to bring out the physics behind the maths.

# The Cosmic Microwave Background

- Mechanical coupling of baryons and photons via Thompson scattering ends with recombination
- Photons scatter for last time then free-stream to observer
- CMB contains frozen snapshot of perturbations at surface of last scattering

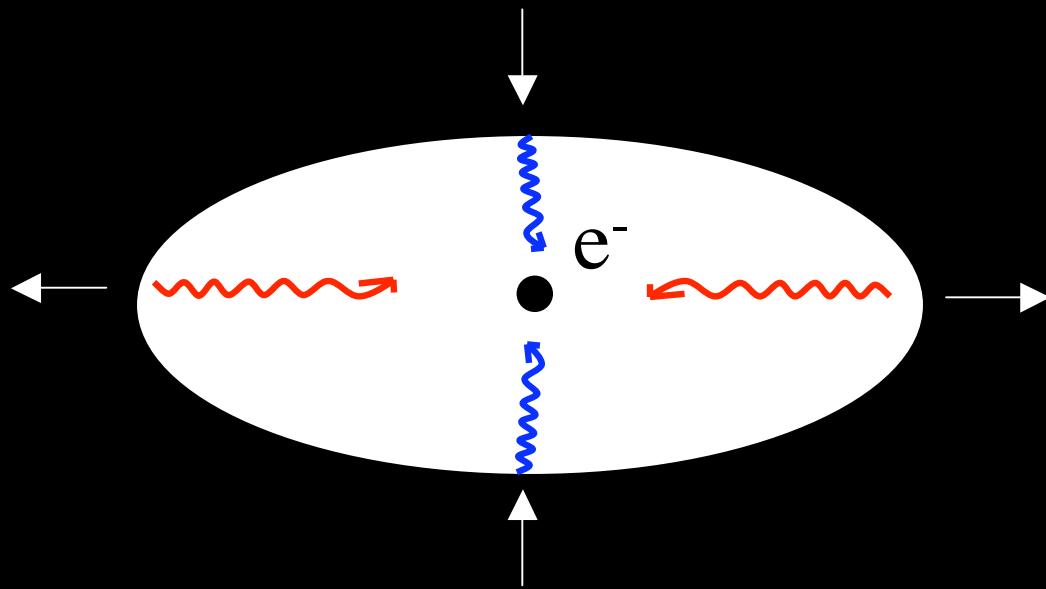


# Power Spectra

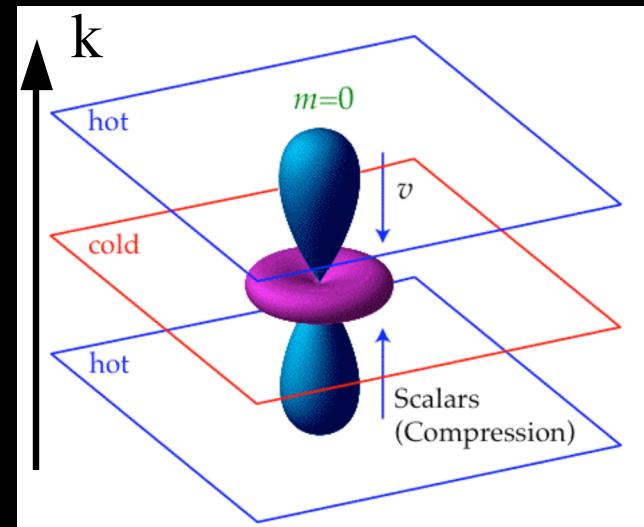


# Temperature Anisotropies

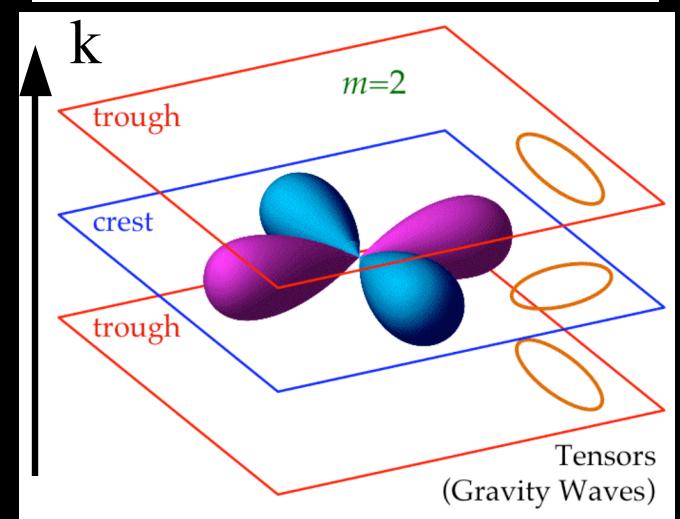
- Local distortion of space generates temperature quadrupole



- $L=2$  quadrupoles



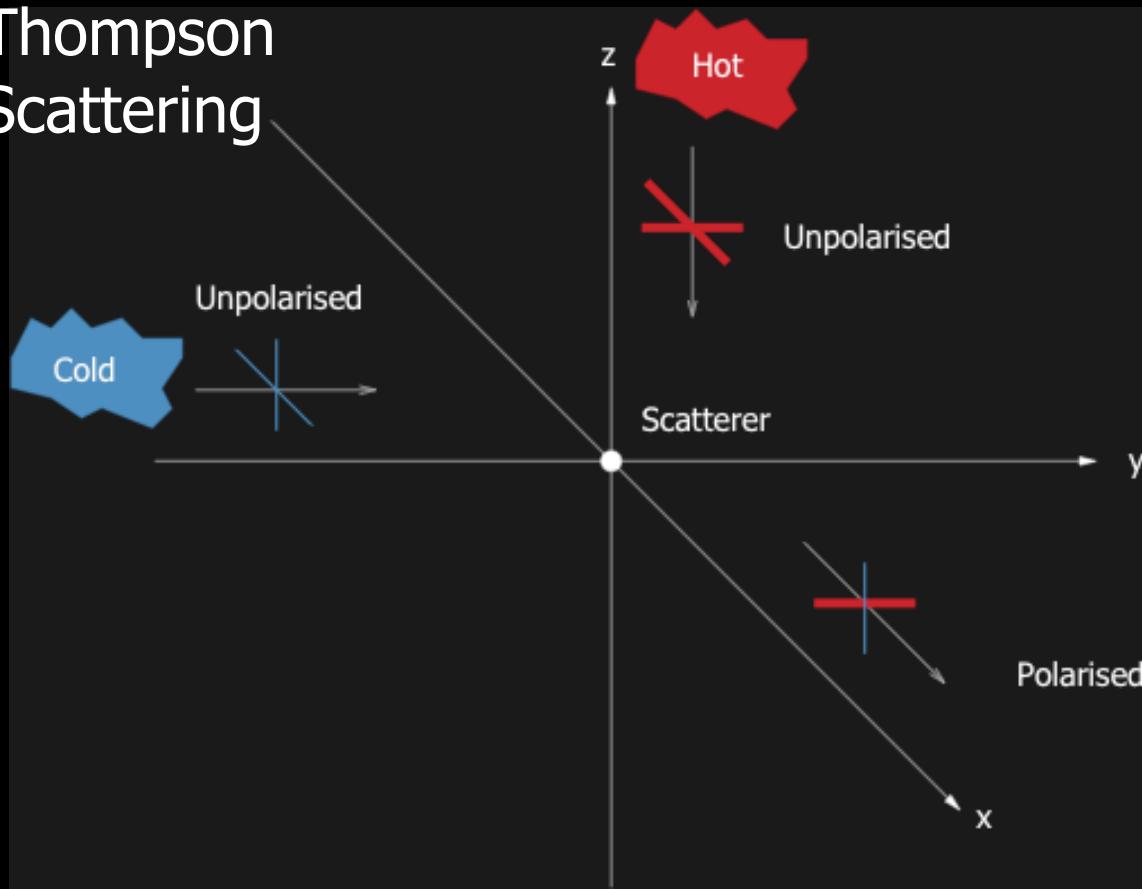
- Decay of gravitational waves after horizon entry leads to net increase in temperature  
“Integrated Sachs-Wolfe Effect” (ISW)



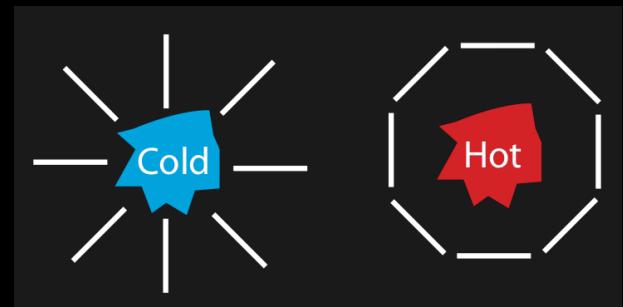
Hu & White 1997

# Polarisation of the CMB

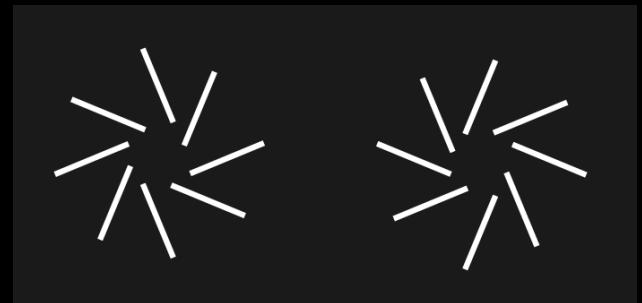
## Thompson Scattering



## E mode (Grad)



## B mode (Curl)



- Tensor quadrupole doesn't show axial symmetry -> B mode polarisation

Kamionkowski, Kosowsky & Stebbins 1997  
Zaldarriaga & Seljak 1997

# Line of Sight Formalism

$$C_l^{XX'} = (4\pi)^2 \int k^2 dk \frac{\text{Inflation}}{P_h(k)} \frac{\text{Anisotropies}}{\Delta_{Xl}(k) \Delta_{X'l}(k)} \Big|_{X=(T,E,B)}$$

$$\Delta_{Xl}(k) = \int_0^{\tau_0} d\tau \frac{\text{Sources}}{S_X(k, \tau)} \frac{\text{Projection}}{P_{Xl}(k[\tau_0 - \tau])}$$

- Sources

$$S_T(k, \tau) = -\dot{h}e^{-\kappa} + g\Psi$$

$$S_P(k, \tau) = -g\Psi$$

- Boltzmann Equations - dynamics

$$\dot{\tilde{\Delta}}_T + ik\mu\tilde{\Delta}_T = -\dot{h} - \dot{\kappa}[\tilde{\Delta}_T - \Psi]$$

$$\dot{\tilde{\Delta}}_P + ik\mu\tilde{\Delta}_P = -\dot{\kappa}[\tilde{\Delta}_P + \Psi]$$

$$\Psi \equiv \left[ \frac{1}{10}\tilde{\Delta}_{T0} + \frac{1}{7}\tilde{\Delta}_{T2} + \frac{3}{70}\tilde{\Delta}_{T4} - \frac{3}{5}\tilde{\Delta}_{P0} + \frac{6}{7}\tilde{\Delta}_{P2} - \frac{3}{70}\tilde{\Delta}_{P4} \right]$$

- Gravitational Waves

$$\ddot{h}_{ij} + 2\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\dot{h}_{ij} + k^2 h_{ij} = 16\pi G a^2 \pi_{ij}.$$

- Ionization history

$$g(\tau) = \dot{\kappa}e^{-\kappa}$$

$$\dot{\kappa} = an_e x_e \sigma_T$$

Polnarev 1985

Seljak & Zaldarriaga 1997

- Inflation - initial conditions

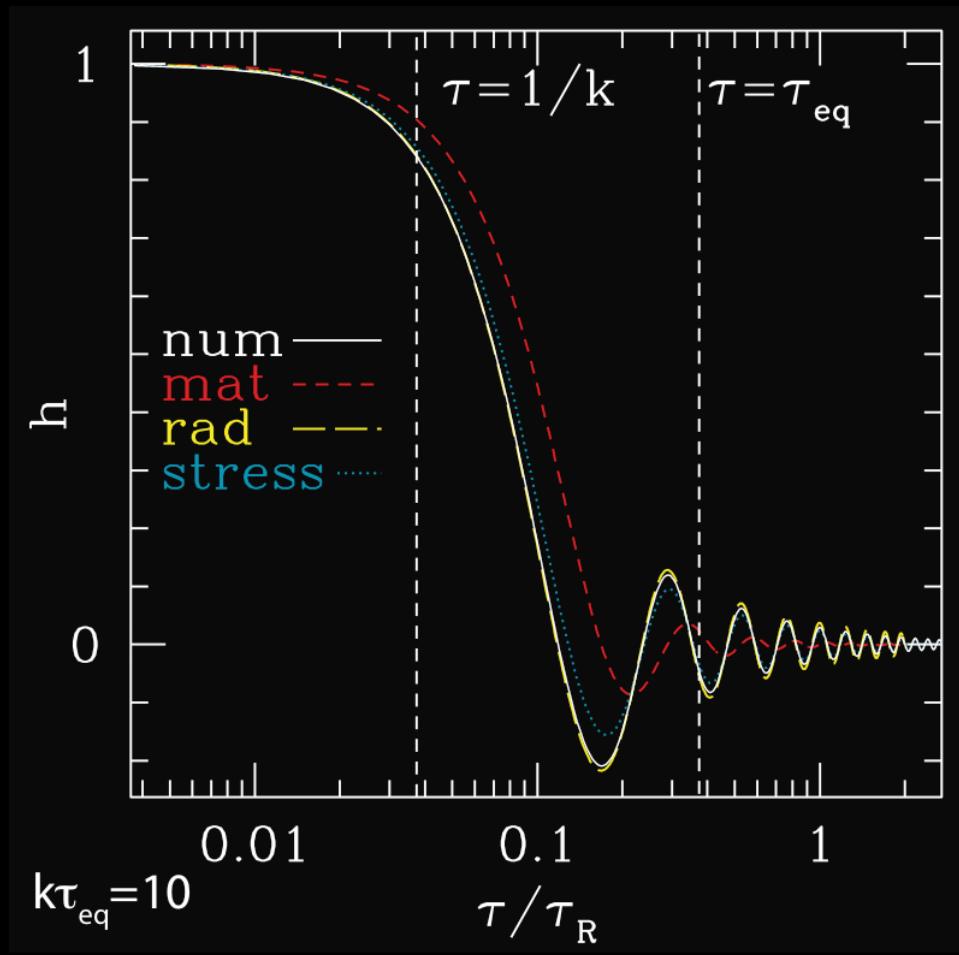
$$P_h(k) = \frac{32\pi GH^2}{(2\pi)^3 k^3} \Big|_{aH=k} \approx A_T k^{n_T - 3}$$

# Gravitational Waves

$$\ddot{h}_{ij} + 2\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\dot{h}_{ij} + k^2 h_{ij} = 16\pi G a^2 \pi_{ij}.$$

anisotropic stress

Freestreaming  
relativistic particles  
e.g. neutrinos



- Modes enter horizon and decay
- Background energy content affects phase at SLS
- Anisotropic stress damps amplitude by  $\sim 0.8$  Weinberg 2003

$$h(k, \tau) \approx A_T \frac{\sin(k\tau + \phi_0)}{a(\tau)}$$

# Sources

$$S_T(k, \tau) = -\dot{h}e^{-\kappa} + g\Psi$$

ISW                  scattering  
integrated          localised  
along LoS          to SLS

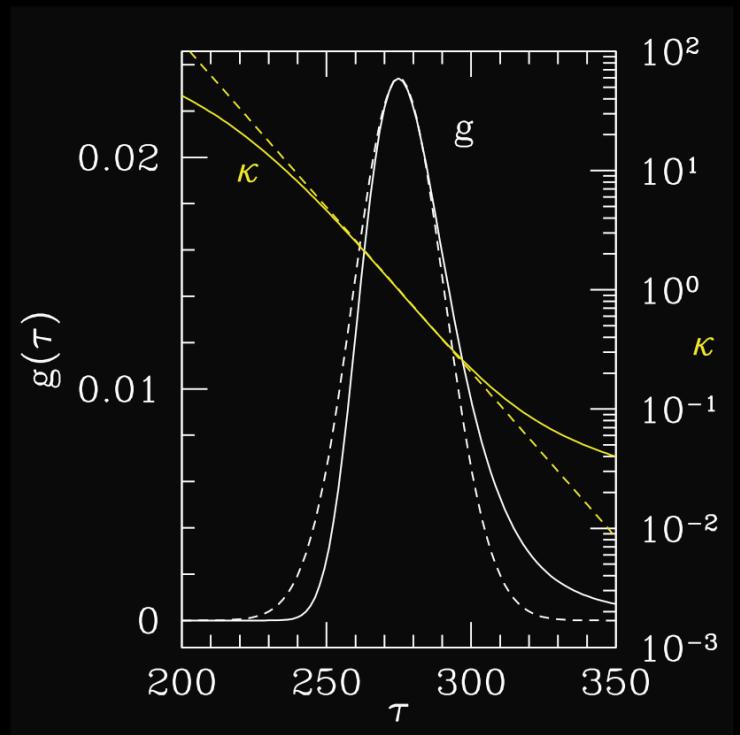
$$S_P(k, \tau) = -g\Psi$$

scattering  
localised  
to SLS

- Thompson scattering: T->P & P->T

$$\Psi \equiv \left[ \frac{1}{10}\tilde{\Delta}_{T0} + \frac{1}{7}\tilde{\Delta}_{T2} + \frac{3}{70}\tilde{\Delta}_{T4} - \frac{3}{5}\tilde{\Delta}_{P0} + \frac{6}{7}\tilde{\Delta}_{P2} - \frac{3}{70}\tilde{\Delta}_{P4} \right]$$

- Visibility function is narrow and centered at the time of recombination



$$g(\tau) = \dot{\kappa}e^{-\kappa}$$

# Tight Coupling

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- Rapid Thompson scattering couples baryons and photons and prevents the growth of anisotropy
- Recombination -> increasing m.f.p. -> anisotropy grows
- Use large optical depth to simplify Boltzmann equations

$$\dot{\Psi} + \frac{3}{10}\dot{\kappa}\Psi = -\frac{\dot{h}}{10}.$$

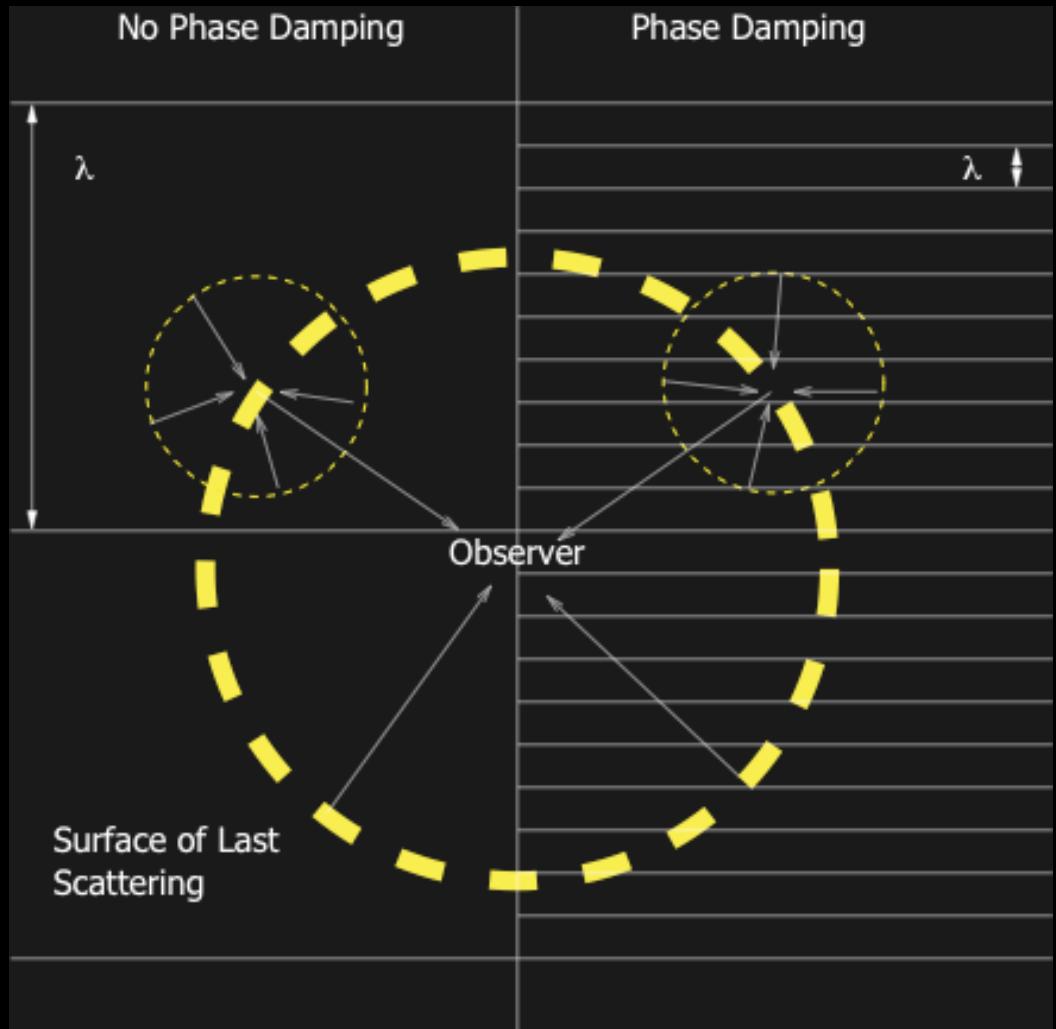
- If gravitational wave driving term varies slowly over the SLS, i.e.  $\kappa\Delta\tau_R \ll 1$ , then

$$\Psi \propto \dot{h}(\tau_R)\Delta\tau_R$$

driving width  
term of SLS

# Phase Damping

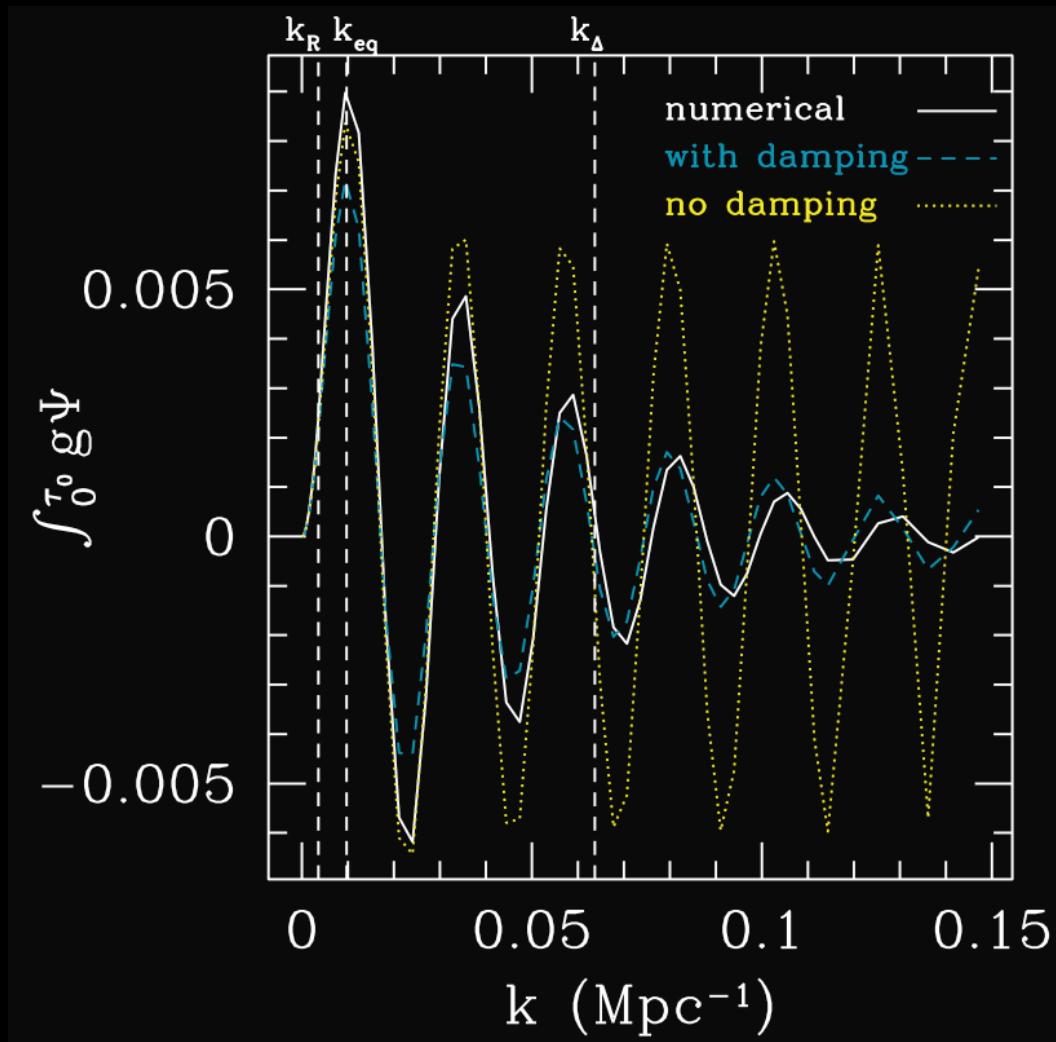
- On smaller scales, finite size of SLS becomes important
- Different regions contribute with different phases
- Exponentially suppresses power on small scales



$$\langle \dot{h}(\tau) \rangle = \int_0^{\tau_0} d\tau g(\tau) \dot{h}(\tau) \approx \dot{h}(\tau_R) e^{-(k\Delta\tau_R)^2/2}$$

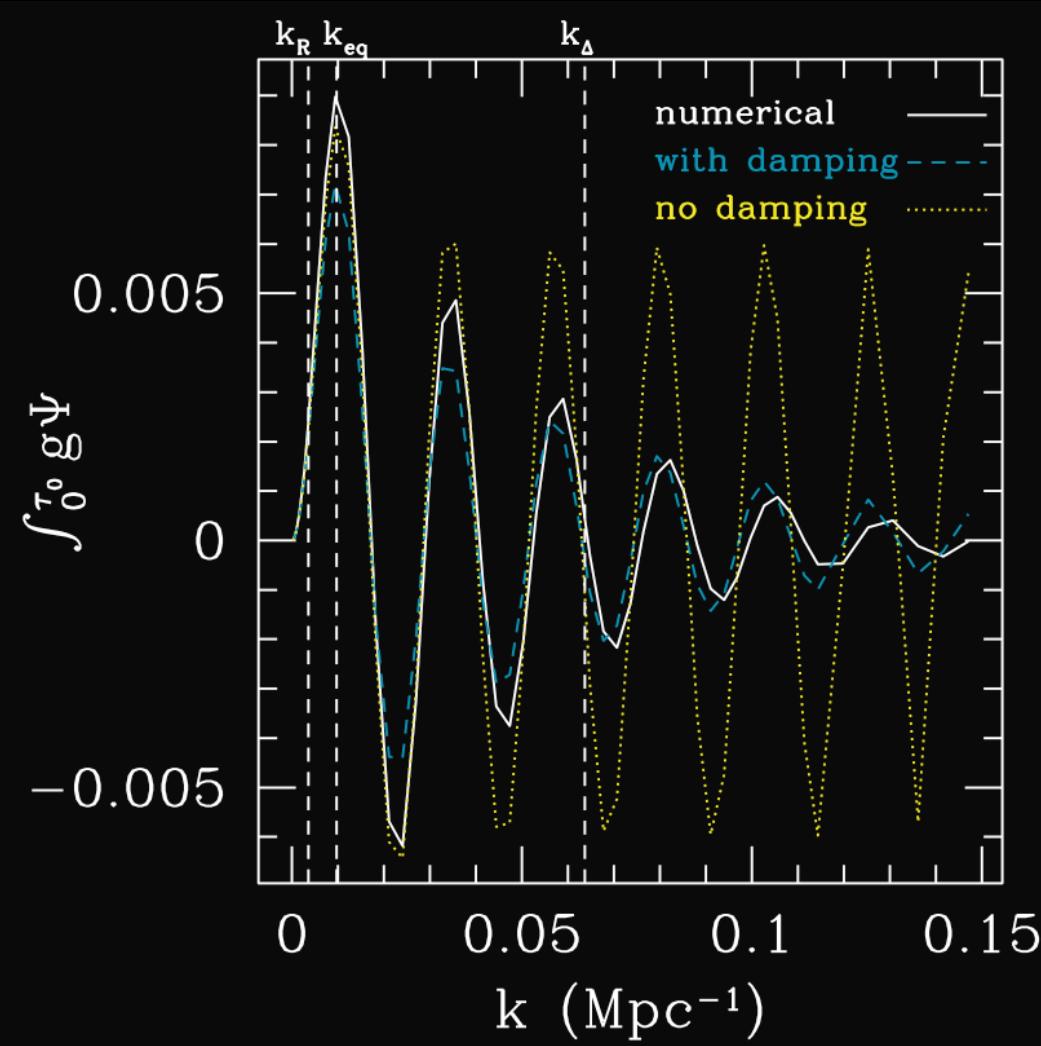
# Source Evolution

$$\Delta_{Xl}(k) \approx P_{Xl}(k[\tau_0 - \tau_R]) \int_0^{\tau_0} d\tau g(\tau) \Psi(k, \tau)$$

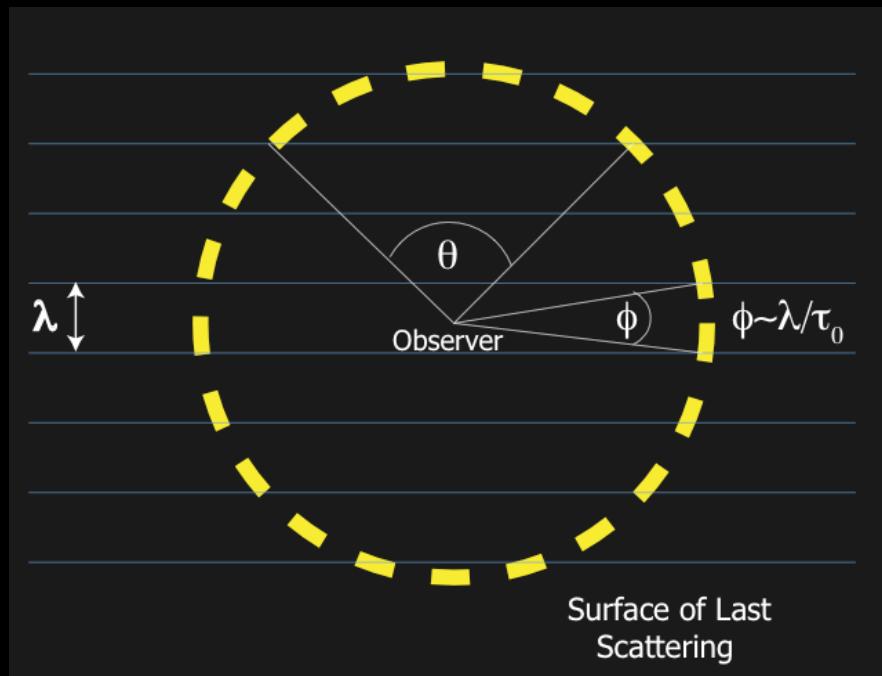


# Source Evolution

$$\Delta_{Xl} \approx P_{Xl}[k(\tau_0 - \tau_R)] \dot{h}(\tau_R) \Delta\tau_R e^{-(k\Delta\tau_R)^2/2} \left( \frac{1}{7} \log \frac{10}{3} \right)$$



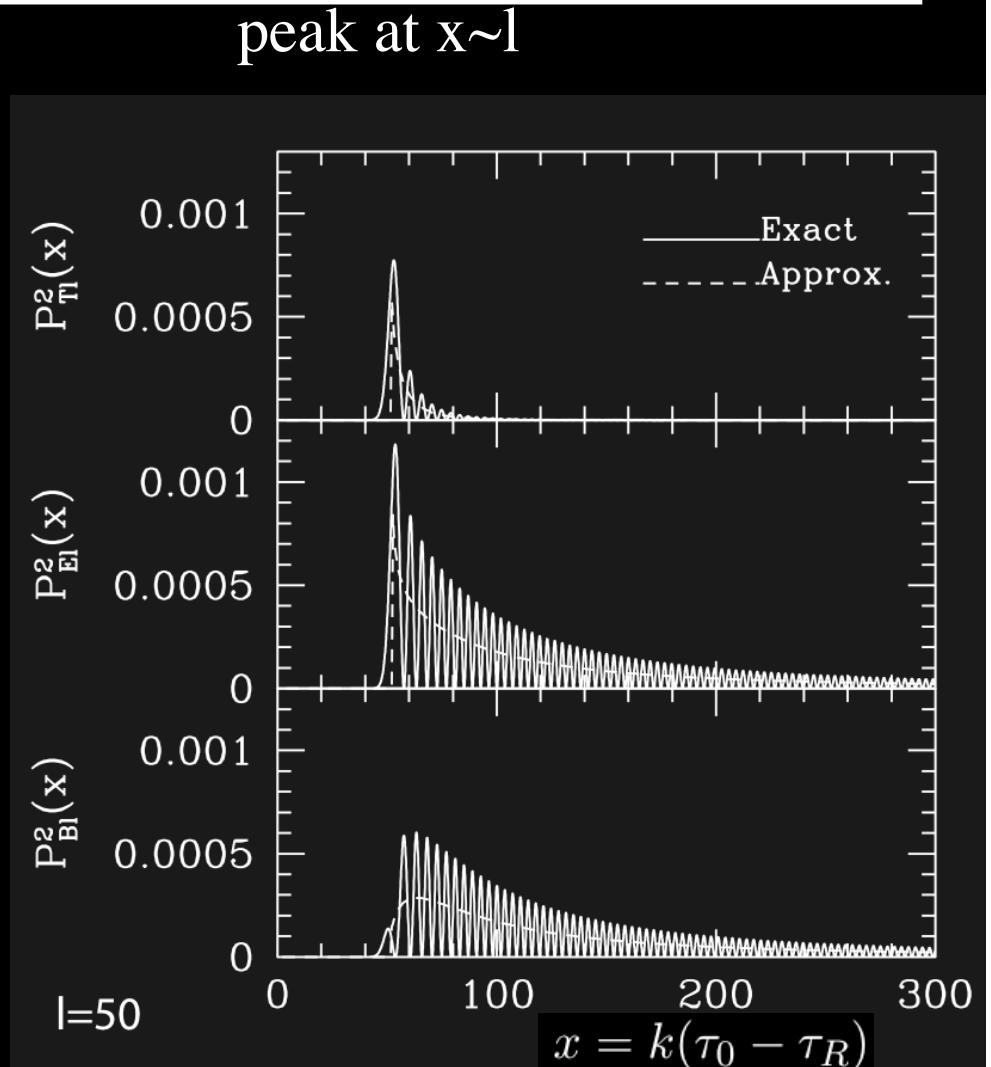
# Projection I



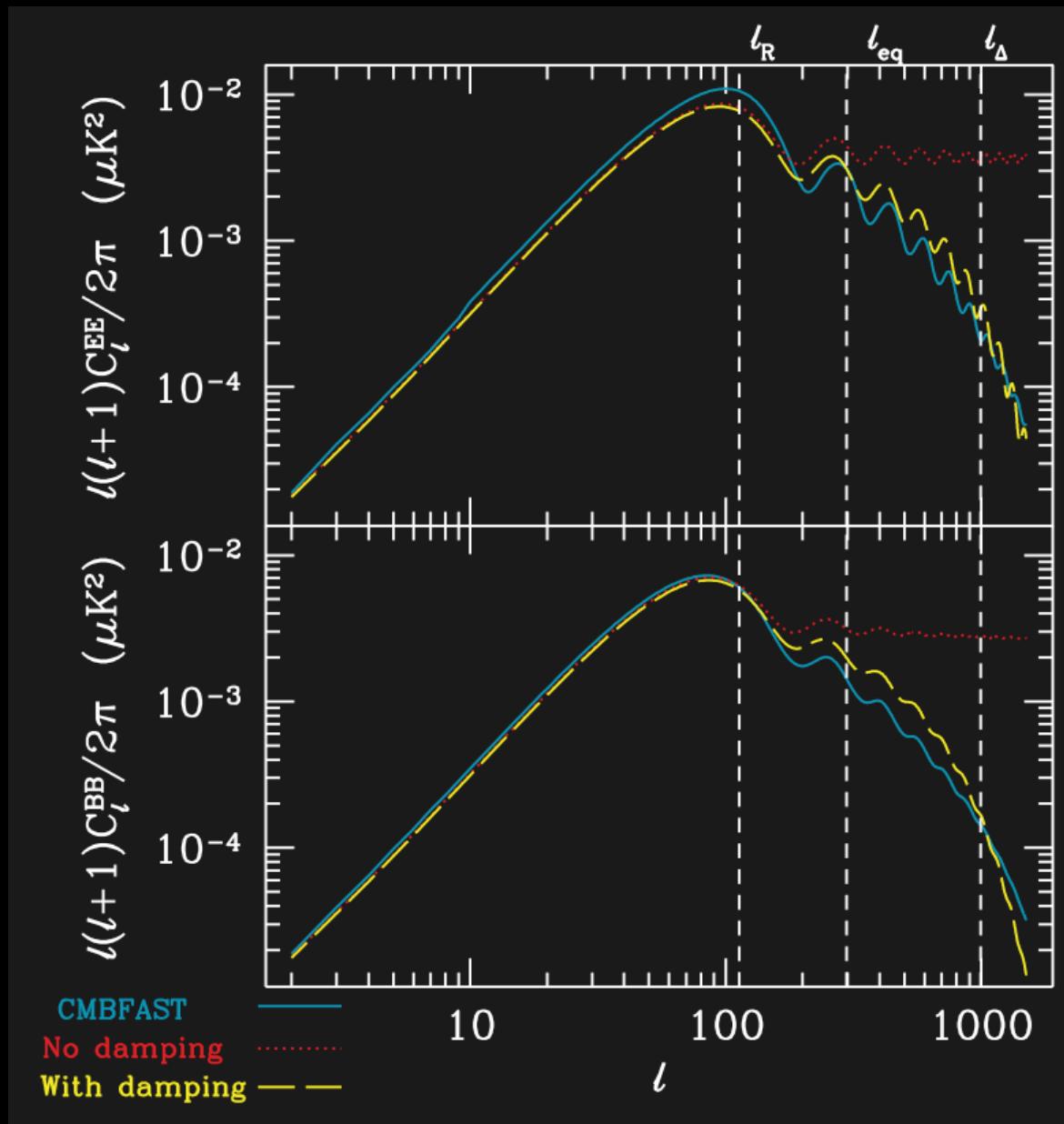
Peak  $| \sim k(\text{lookback time})$

- Approximate using Debye's formula for spherical bessel function when  $x > l$

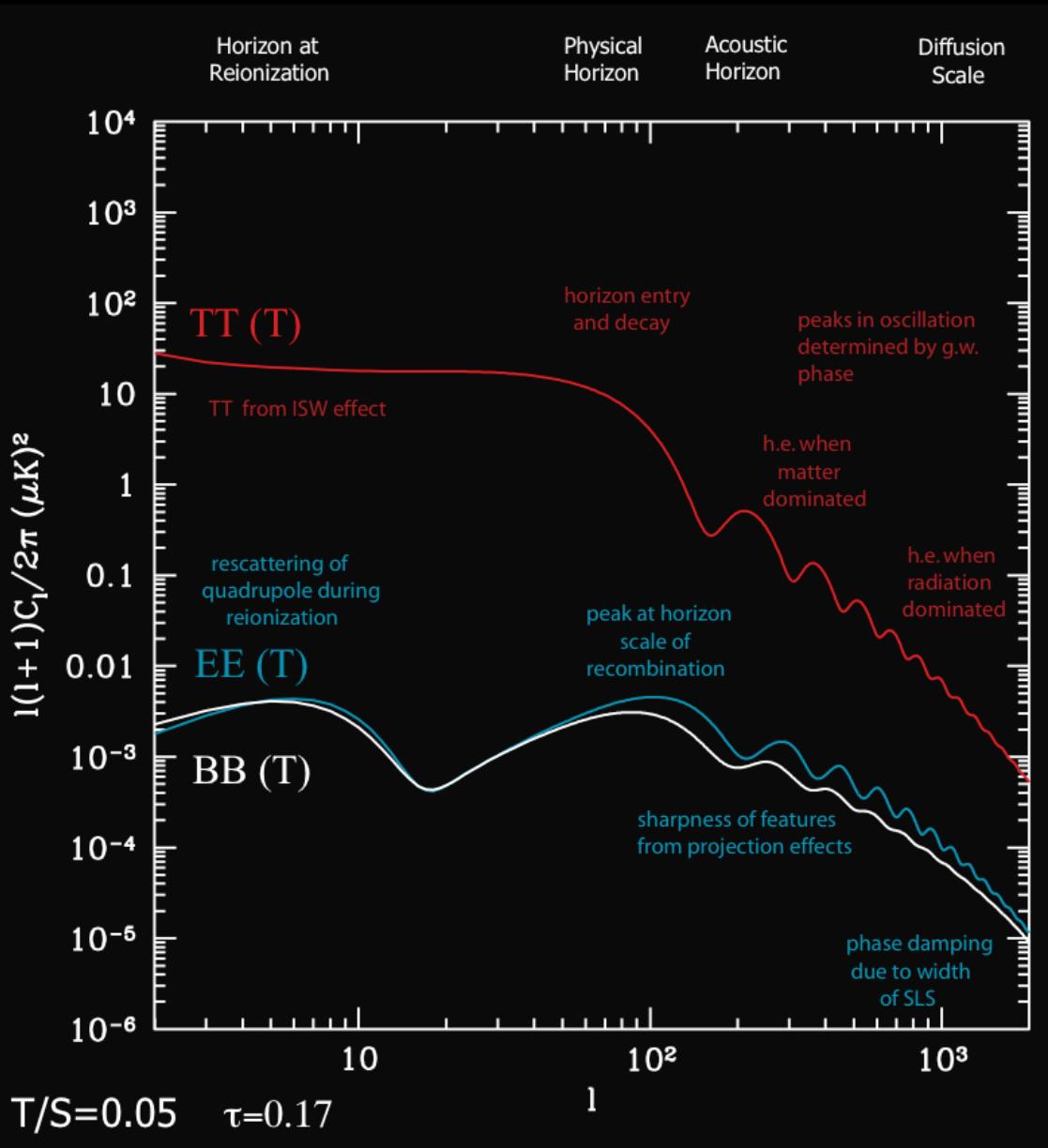
Debye 1909



# Analytical Model



# Conclusions $z=1100$



- Phase damping important for understanding decline in power on small scales
- Projection determines form of the polarisation power spectrum
- Inclusion of anisotropic stress suppresses tensor power by  $\sim 0.64$  on small scales
- Approximations reproduce shape of power spectrum with reasonable accuracy

# Descending from on high: Lyman series cascades and spin-kinetic temperature coupling in the 21cm line

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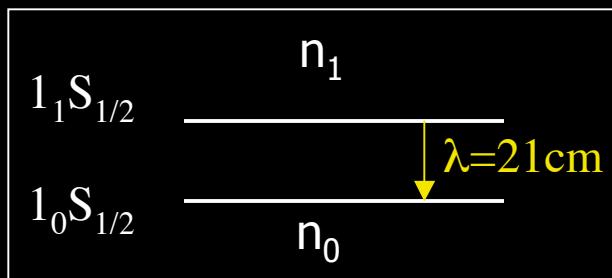
# Overview

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- 21cm studies provide a way of probing the first galaxies (Barkana & Loeb 2004)
- Fluctuations in the Lyman  $\alpha$  flux lead to 21cm fluctuations via the Wouthysen-Field effect
- Previous calculations have assumed all photons emitted between Lyman  $\beta$  and Lyman limit are converted into Lyman  $\alpha$  photons
- Quantum selection rules mean that some photons will be lost due to the  $2S \rightarrow 1S$  two photon decay
- Here consider atomic physics to calculate the details of the cascade process and illustrate the effect on the 21cm power spectra

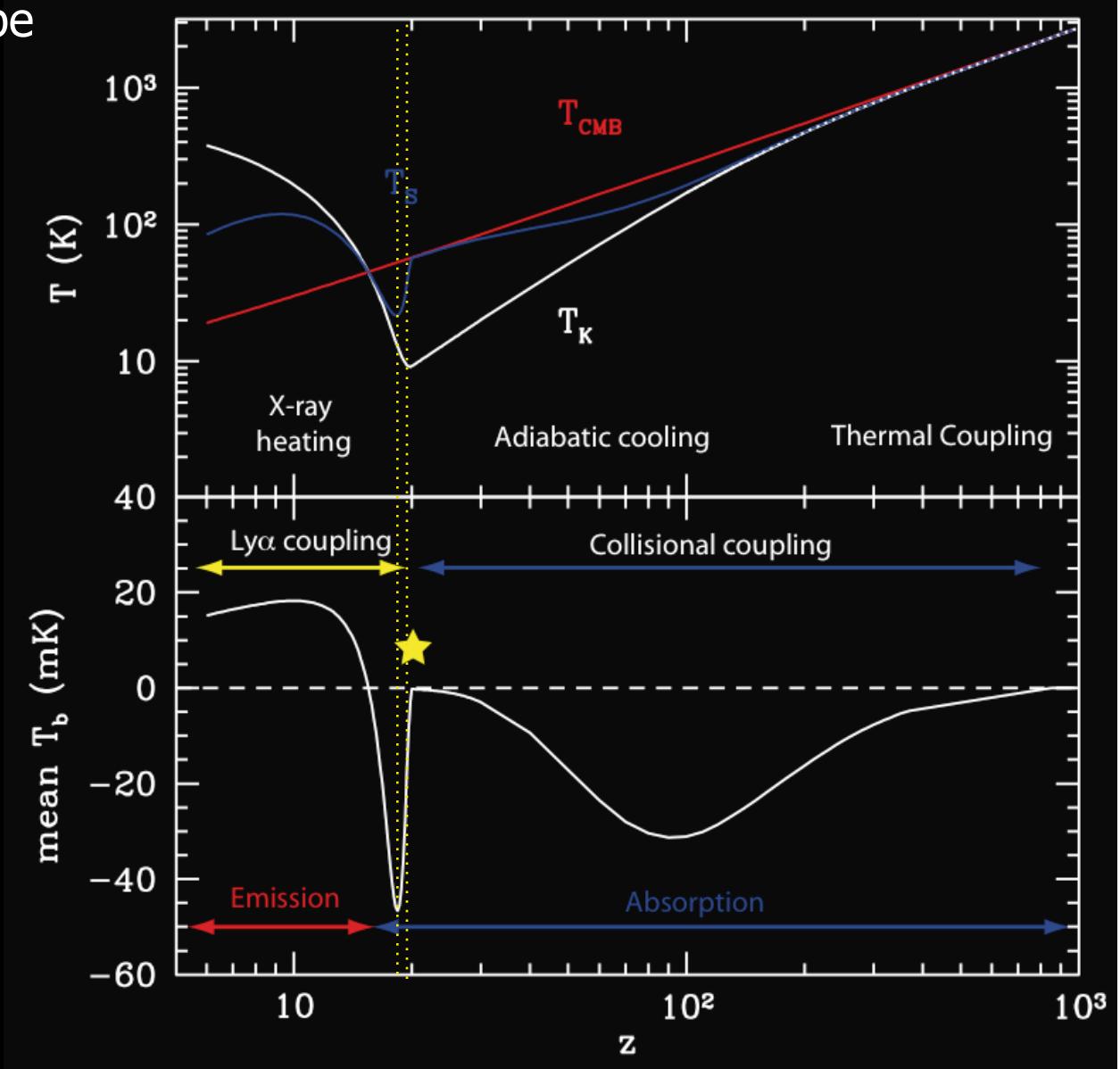
# Thermal History

- Use CMB backlight to probe 21cm transition
- HI hyperfine structure



$$n_1/n_0 = 3 \exp(-h\nu_{10}/kT_s)$$

$$T_B = \tau \left( \frac{T_s - T_\gamma}{1 + z} \right)$$



# 21cm Fluctuations

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Density	Gas Temperature	W-F Coupling	Neutral fraction	Velocity gradient
$\delta_{T_b} = \beta\delta + \beta_T\delta_{T_k} + \frac{x_\alpha}{\tilde{x}_{tot}}\delta_{x_\alpha} + \cancel{\delta_{x_{HI}}} - \delta_{d_r v_r}$	from density inhomogeneities	flux variations	IGM still mostly neutral	

- In linear theory, peculiar velocities correlate with overdensities

$$\delta_{d_r v_r}(k) = -\mu^2 \delta \quad \text{Bharadwaj \& Ali 2004}$$

- Anisotropy of velocity gradient term allows angular separation

$$P_{T_b}(\mathbf{k}) = \mu^4 P_{\mu^4} + \mu^2 P_{\mu^2} + P_{\mu^0} \quad \text{Barkana \& Loeb 2004}$$

# Experimental Efforts

- Three main experiments:  
PAST (NW China), LOFAR (NL)  
and MWA (SW Australia)
- Large radio arrays using  
interferometry
- Foregrounds!

MWA:  $(f_{21\text{cm}}=1.4 \text{ GHz})$

Freq: 80-300 MHz

Baselines: 10m-1.5km

LOFAR:

Freq: 30-240 MHz

Baselines: 100m-100km

$\sim 14000$  antennae

The old: large dishes



The new: small dipoles



... & long baselines



# Wouthysen-Field Effect

## Hyperfine structure of HI

$$x_\alpha \propto J_\alpha$$

Effective for  $J_\alpha > 10^{-21} \text{ erg/s/cm}^2/\text{Hz/sr}$

$T_s \sim T_\alpha \sim T_k$

W-F recoils

$n_F L_J$

$1_1S_{1/2}$

$1_0S_{1/2}$

Selection rules:

$\Delta F = 0, 1$  (Not  $F=0 \rightarrow F=0$ )

Field 1959

Lyman  $\alpha$

$2_2P_{1/2}$

$2_1P_{1/2}$

$2_1P_{1/2}$

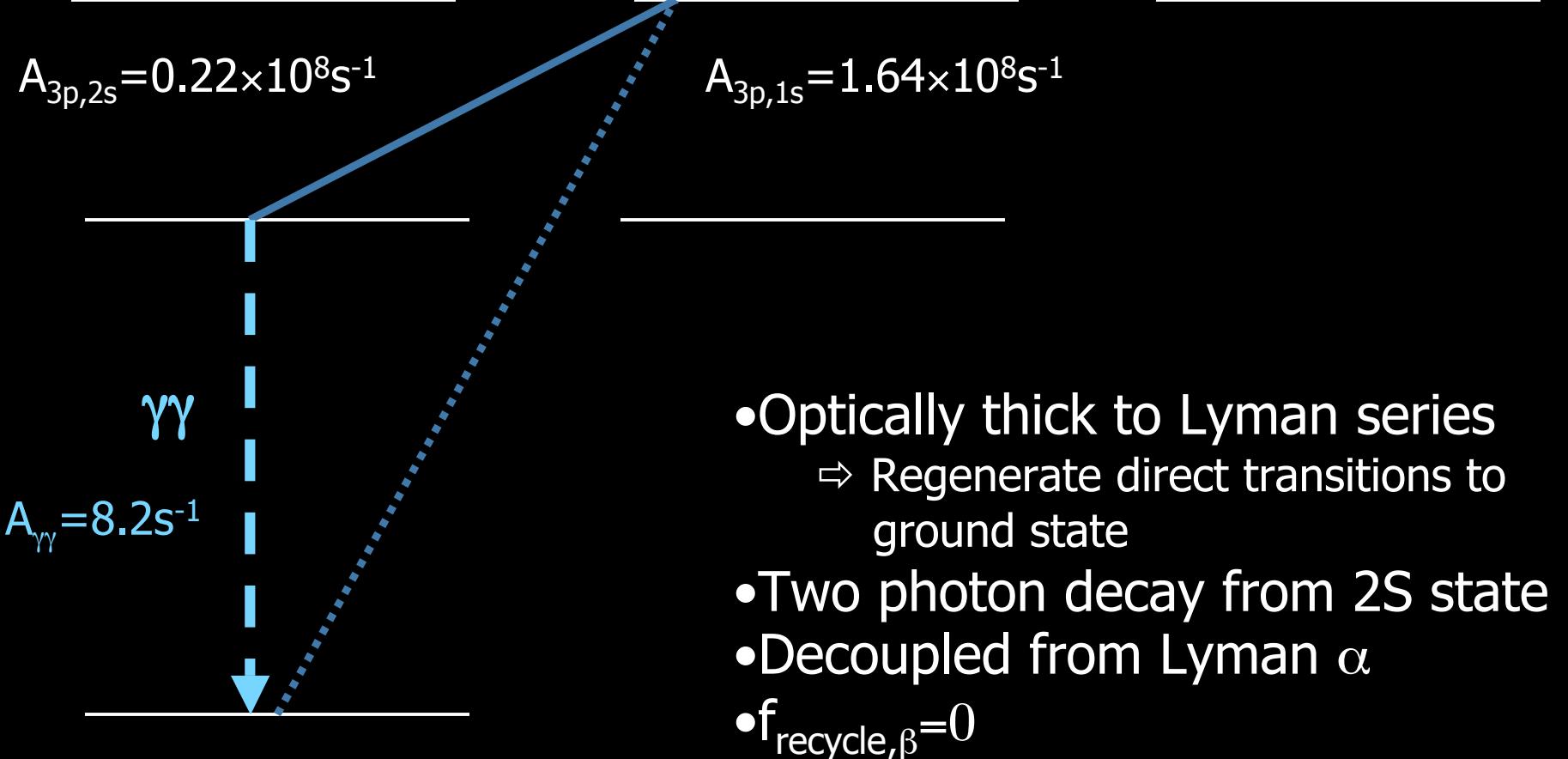
$2_0P_{1/2}$

# Higher Lyman Series

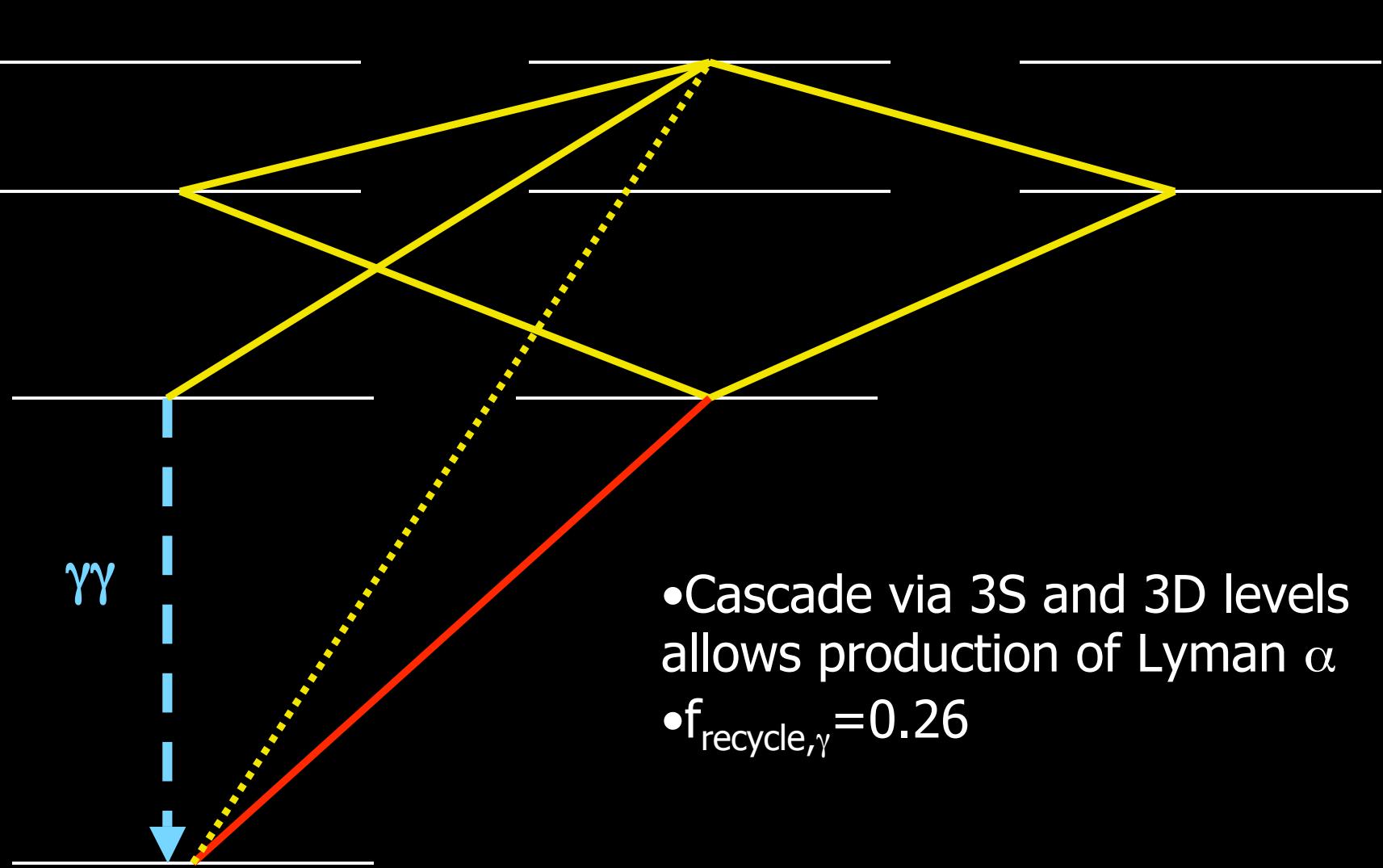
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- Two possible contributions
  - Direct pumping: Analogy of the W-F effect
  - Cascade: Excited state decays through cascade to generate Ly $\alpha$
- Direct pumping is suppressed by the possibility of conversion into lower energy photons
  - Ly  $\alpha$  scatters  $\sim 10^6$  times before redshifting through resonance
  - Ly n scatters  $\sim 1/P_{\text{abs}} \sim 10$  times before converting  
⇒ Direct pumping is not significant
- Cascades end through generation of Ly  $\alpha$  or through a two photon decay
  - Use basic atomic physics to calculate fraction recycled into Ly  $\alpha$
  - Discuss this process in the next few slides...

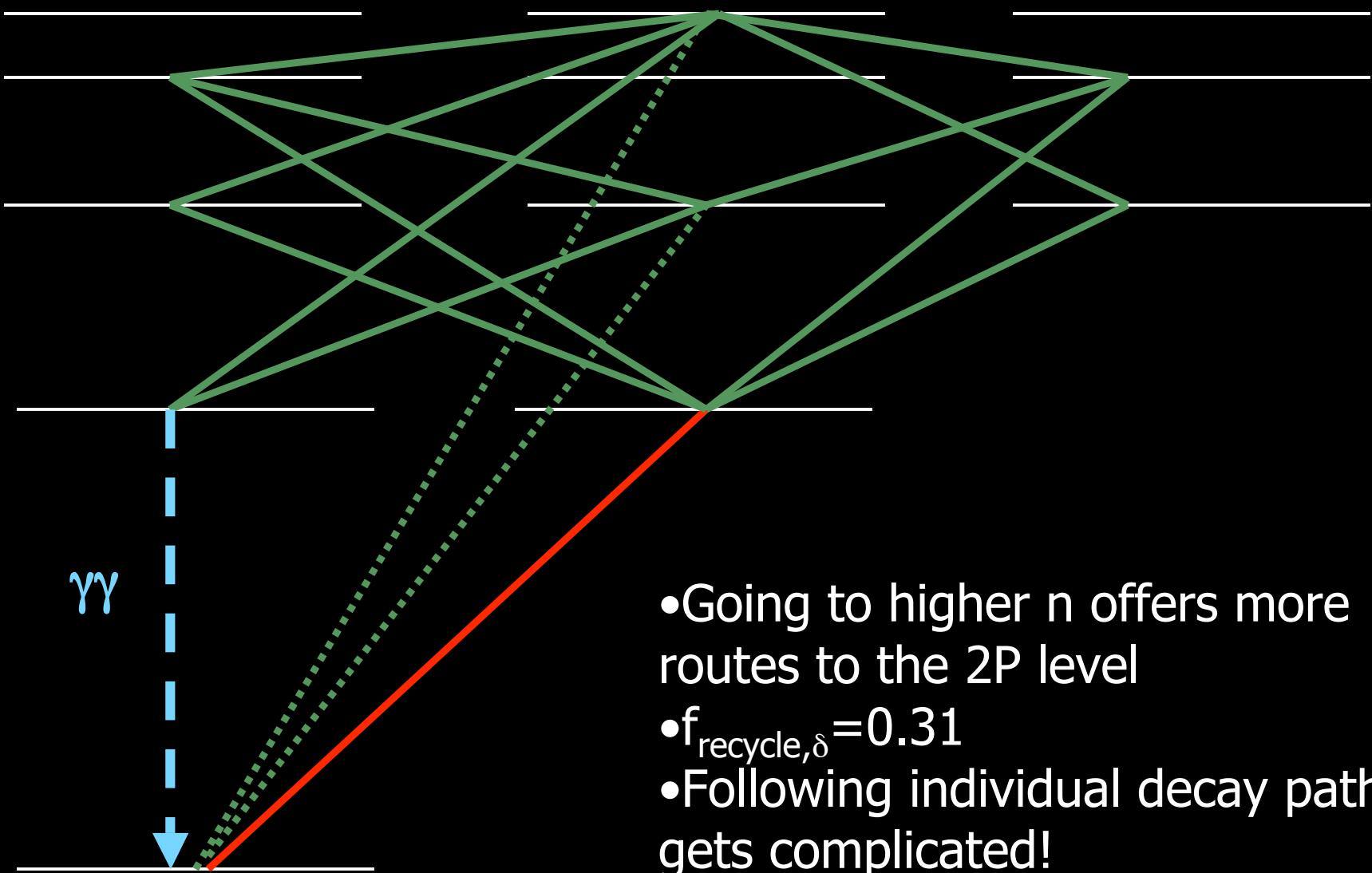
# Lyman $\beta$



# Lyman $\gamma$

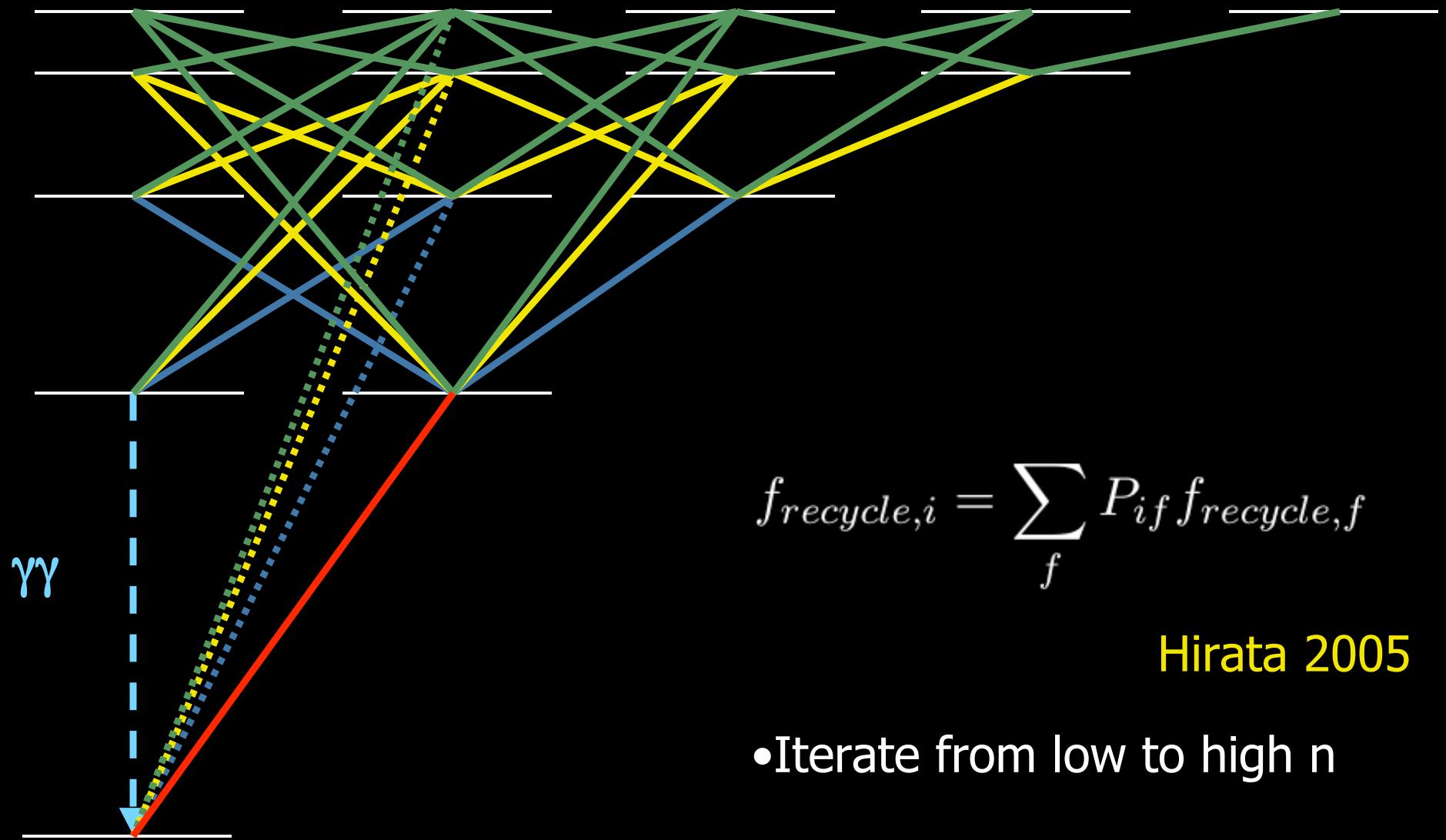


# Lyman $\delta$



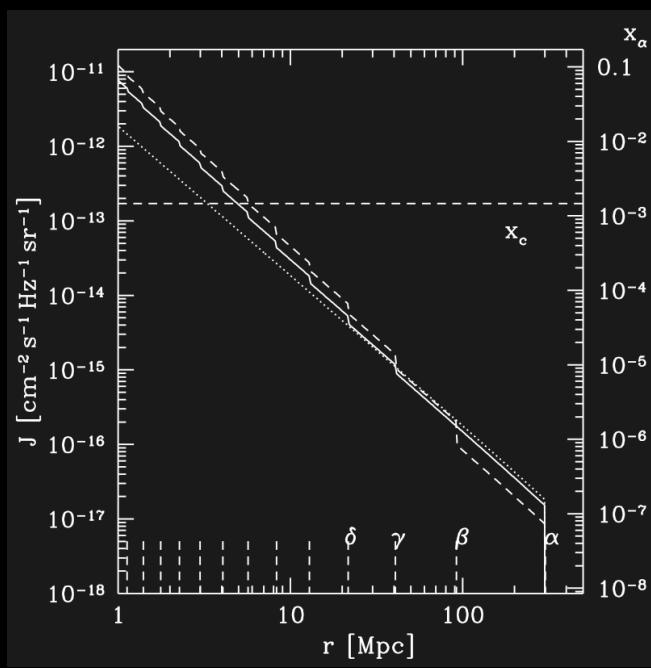
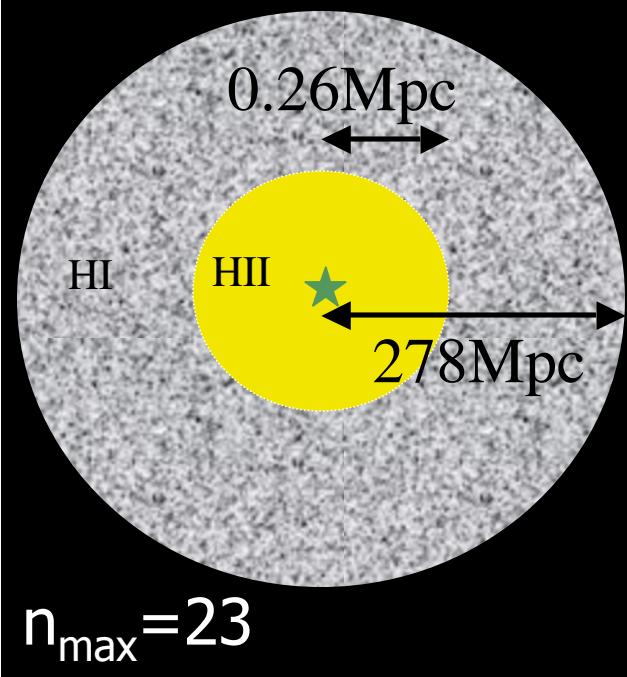
# Calculating Recycling Fractions

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# Lyman Series Cascades

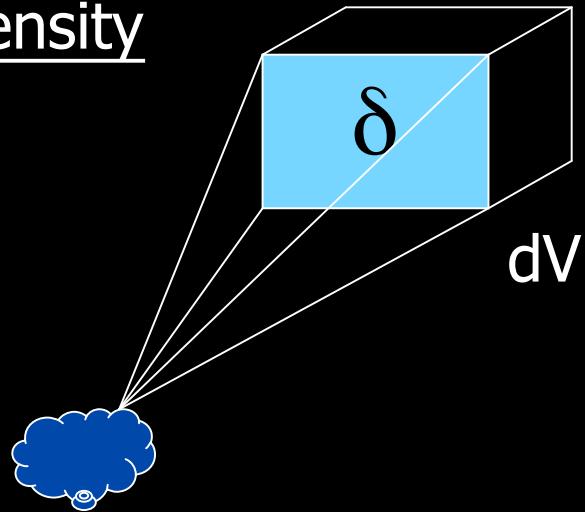
	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\infty$	$\nu$	Total
No. Photons: (pop III)	2670		965	451	810		4896
$f_{recycle} :$	1.0		0	0.26	0.35		0.62
Ly $\alpha$ Contribution:	2670		0	118	268		3056
Shell size @ $z = 20$ (Mpc):	278		90	40	22		



- ~62% emitted photons recycled into Ly $\alpha$
- Ly $\alpha$  flux profile is steepened

# Fluctuations from the first stars

## Density



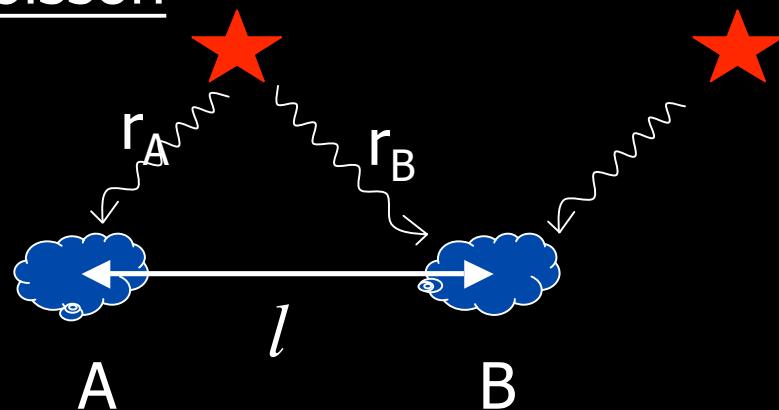
- Overdense region modifies observed flux from region  $dV$
- Relate Ly  $\alpha$  fluctuations to overdensities

$$\delta_{x_\alpha}(\mathbf{k}) = W(k)\delta(\mathbf{k})$$

- Probe using separation of powers

$$P_{\mu^2}(k) = 2P_\delta(k) \left[ \beta + \frac{x_\alpha}{\tilde{x}_{tot}} W(k) \right]$$

## Poisson

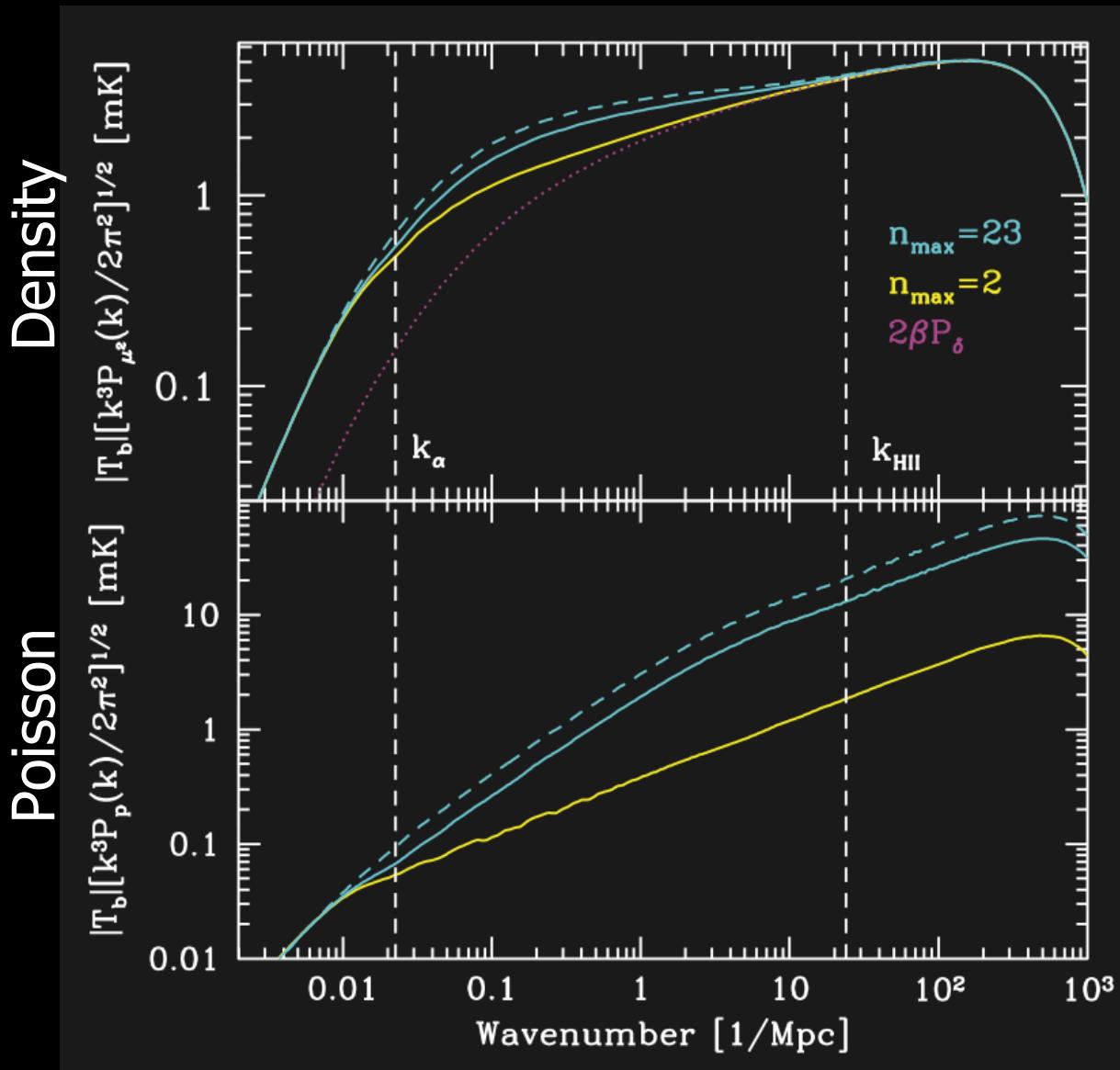


- Fluctuations independent of density perturbations
- Small number statistics
- Different regions see some of the same sources though at different times in their evolution

$$P_{un-\delta}(k) \equiv P_{\mu^0} - \frac{P_{\mu^2}^2}{4P_{\mu^4}} = \left( \frac{x_\alpha}{\tilde{x}_{tot}} \right)^2 \left( P_\alpha - \frac{P_{\delta-\alpha}^2}{P_\delta} \right)$$

Barkana & Loeb 2004

# Fluctuation Power Spectra



- Excess power probes star formation rate
- Cutoffs from width of 21cm line and pressure support on small scales
- Correct atomic physics reduces power by  $\sim 0.65$  (density)  
 $\sim 0.42$  (poisson)

# Conclusions z=20

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- Including correct atomic physics is important for extracting astrophysical information from 21cm fluctuations
- Cascade generated Lyman  $\alpha$  photons increase the theoretical signal, but not as much as has previously been thought
- ~62% emitted Lyman series photons recycled into Lyman  $\alpha$
- Recycling fractions are straightforward to calculate and should be included in future work on this topic
- Basic atomic physics encoded in characteristic scales
- 21cm signal can, in principle, be used to probe early star formation

# Imprints of reionization in the galaxy power spectrum

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Work in progress...

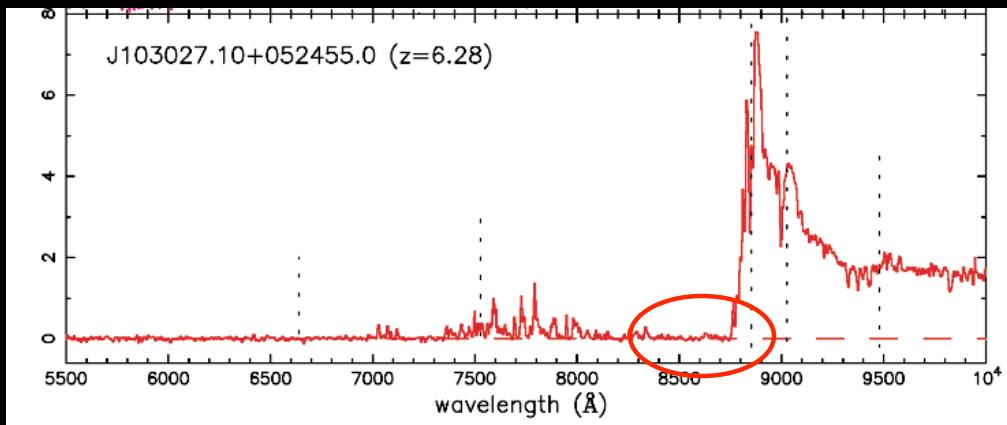
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- Formation of the first galaxies changes the IGM affecting the formation of further galaxies
- The galaxy power spectrum may retain an imprint from the effect of ionized regions on galaxy formation
- Use simple model in lieu of detailed physics
- Use the Fisher Matrix formalism to probe this imprint
- Consider effect on determination of cosmological and dark energy parameters

# Evidence for Reionization

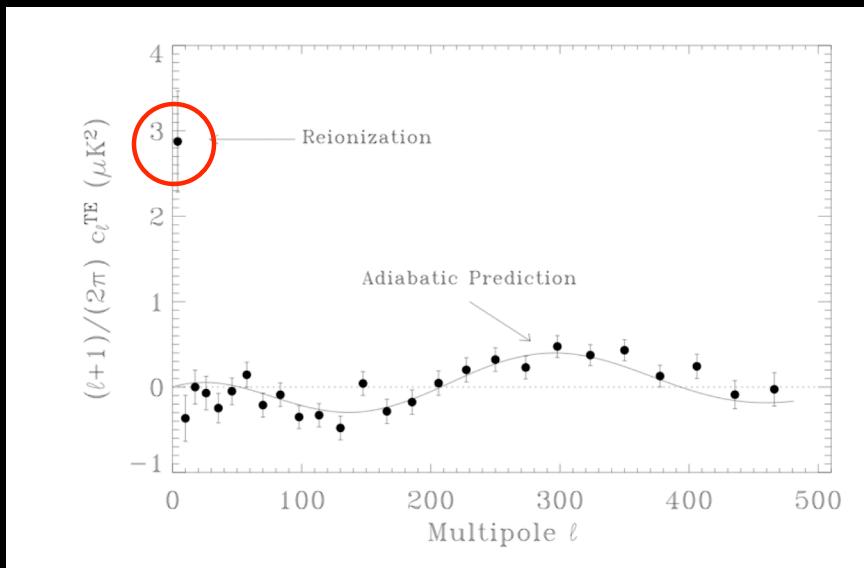
- Gunn-Peterson Trough



Becker et al. 2005

- Universe ionized below  $z \sim 6$ , approaching neutral at higher  $z$

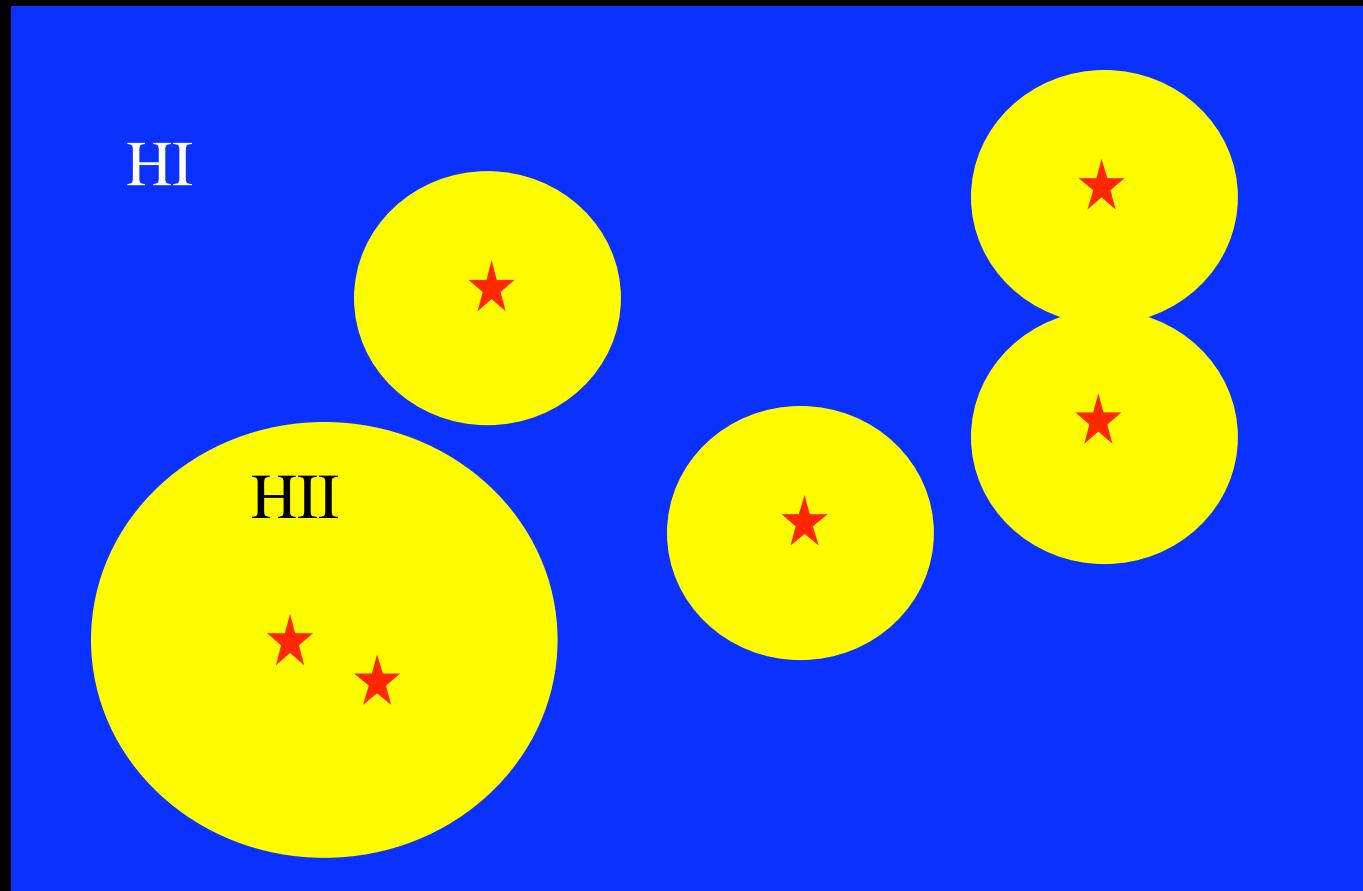
- WMAP measurement of  $\tau \sim 0.17$



Kogut et al. 2003

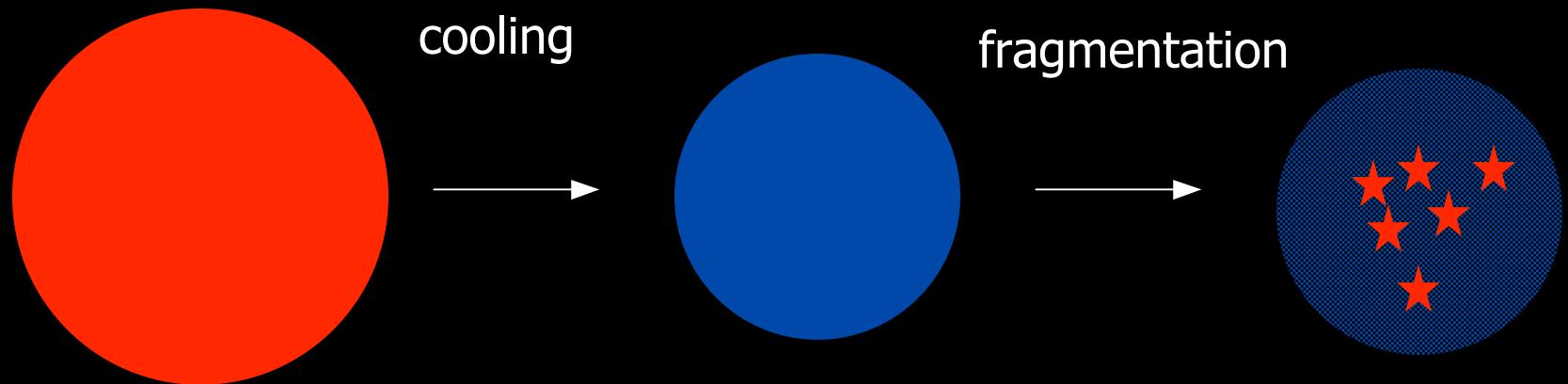
- Need early star formation to match large optical depth
- Integral constraint on ionization history

# Patchy Reionization



- Ionizing flux from stars creates HII bubbles around galaxies
- Eventually bubbles overlap and reionization completes

# Galaxy formation and feedback



- To get star formation need gas cloud to cool and fragment  
 $t_{\text{cool}} < t_{\text{dyn}} < t_{\text{hubble}}$
- Feedback from first stars complicates matters:  
 -radiation, winds, metal pollution
- Here ignore the details and parameterise our ignorance

$$n_{\text{gal}}(x) = \bar{n} [1 + b\delta(x) + \epsilon_b f(x)]$$

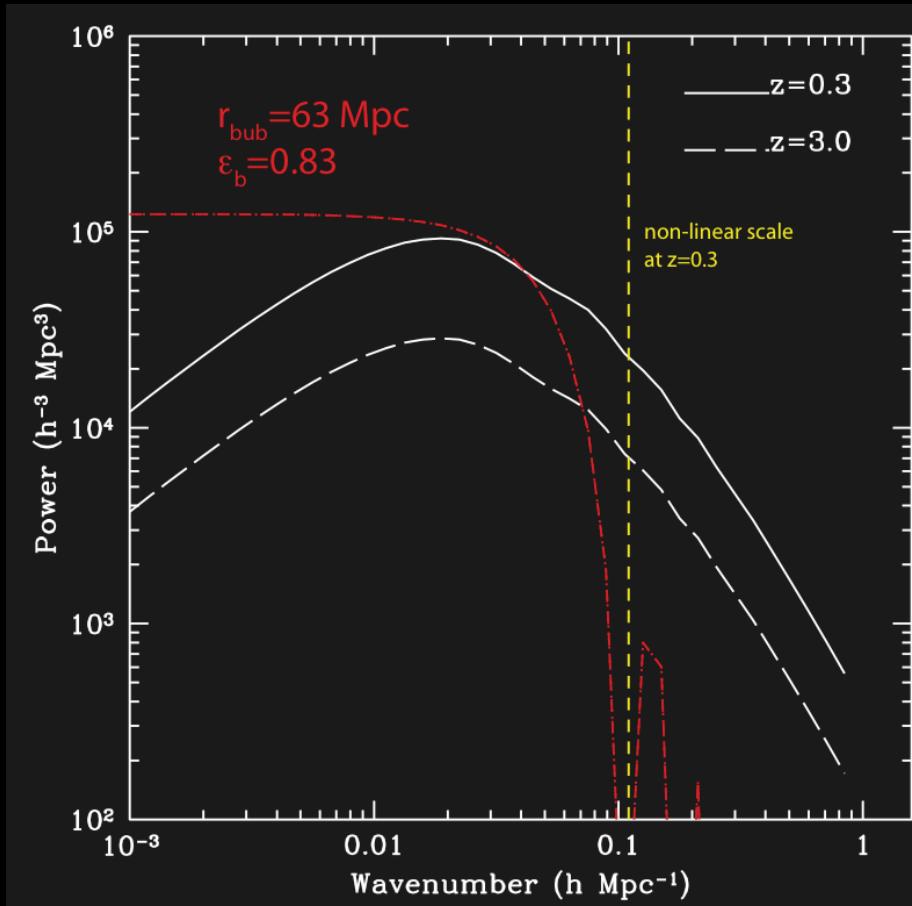
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ionized  
fraction

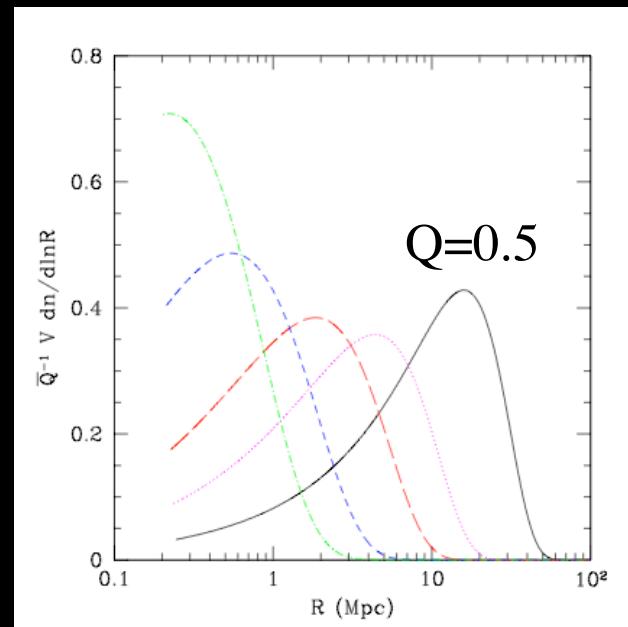
# Bubble Model

- Halo model approach to bubble power spectrum + single bubble size

$$P^{1b}(k) = \epsilon_b^2 \bar{Q} V_{bub} |u(k|R_b)|^2$$



- Bubble sizes? - Unclear
- $R \sim 10 \text{ Mpc}$



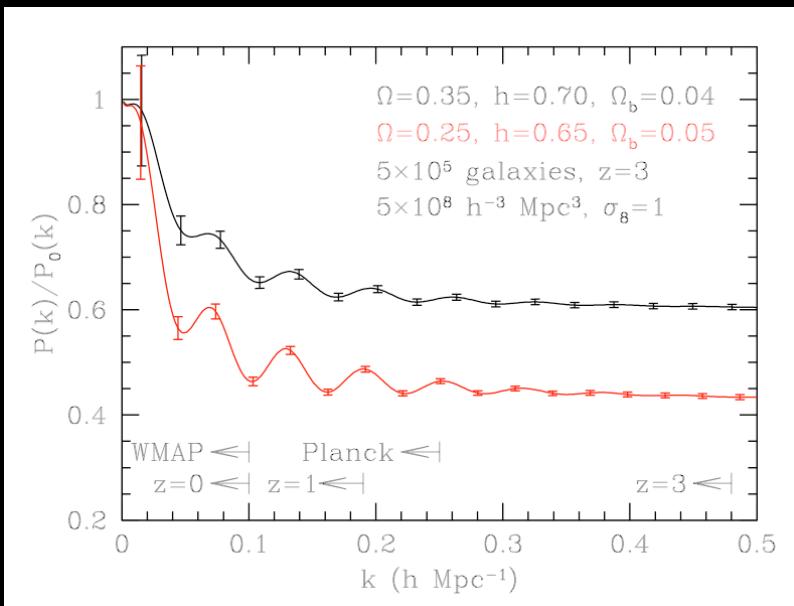
Furlanetto, Zaldarriaga, Hernquist 2004

- $R \sim 60 \text{ Mpc}$

Wyithe and Loeb 2005

# Probing Dark Energy

## Baryon Oscillations

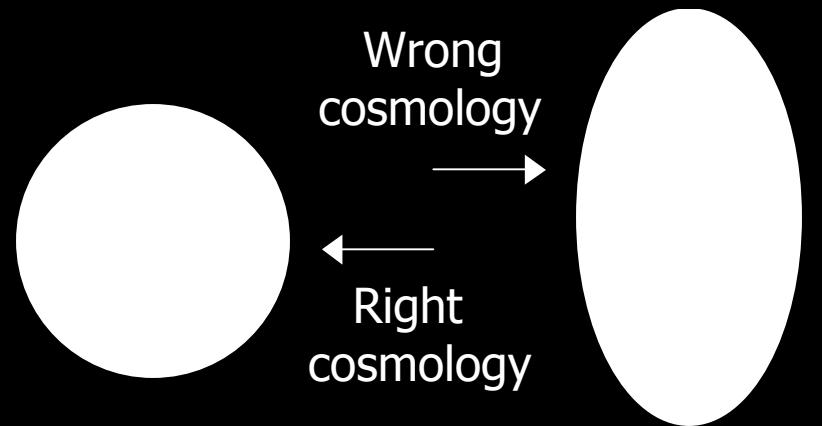


- Same acoustic oscillations as seen in the CMB
- Constrains angular diameter distance  $D_A$

Seo & Eisenstein 2005

## Alcock-Paczynski Effect

Observe  
 $(\Delta\theta, \Delta z) \rightarrow (r_\perp, r_\parallel)$



- Using wrong cosmology to reconstruct coordinate distances breaks spatial isotropy
  - Constrains  $H D_A$
- Alcock & Paczynski 1979

# The Fisher Matrix

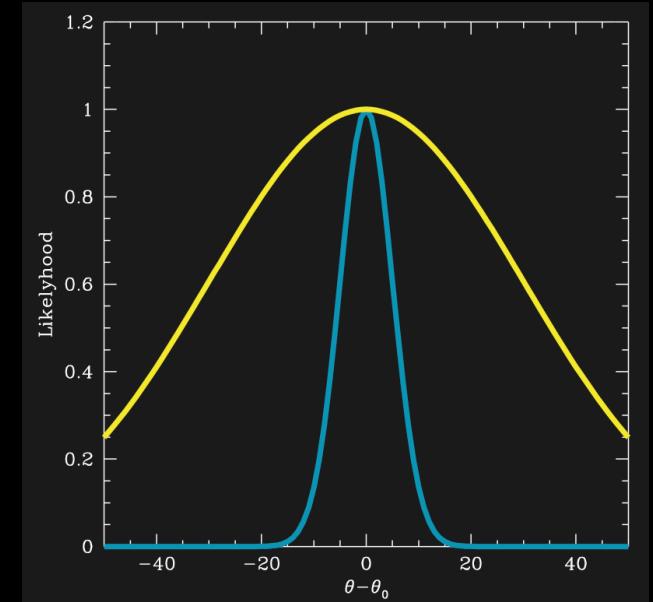
- Estimate curvature of likelihood

$$F_{\alpha\beta} = - \left\langle \frac{\partial^2 \log L}{\partial \theta_\alpha \partial \theta_\beta} \right\rangle. \quad \text{Fisher 1935}$$

- Likelihood describes distribution of model parameters

- Cramer-Rao inequality:  $\sigma_\alpha \geq \sqrt{(F^{-1})_{\alpha\alpha}}$

- Depends only on theoretical model and experimental specifications



$$F_{\alpha\beta}^{CMB} = \sum_{\ell} \sum_{X,Y} \frac{\partial C_{\ell}^X}{\partial \theta_\alpha} (\text{Cov}_\ell)^{-1}_{XY} \frac{\partial C_{\ell}^Y}{\partial \theta_\beta}$$

$$F_{\alpha\beta}^{gal} = \int_{k_{\min}}^{k_{\max}} \frac{d^3 k}{(2\pi)^3} \frac{\partial \ln P(k)}{\partial \theta_\alpha} \frac{V_{\text{eff}}(k)}{2} \frac{\partial \ln P(k)}{\partial \theta_\beta} \quad \text{Tegmark 1997}$$

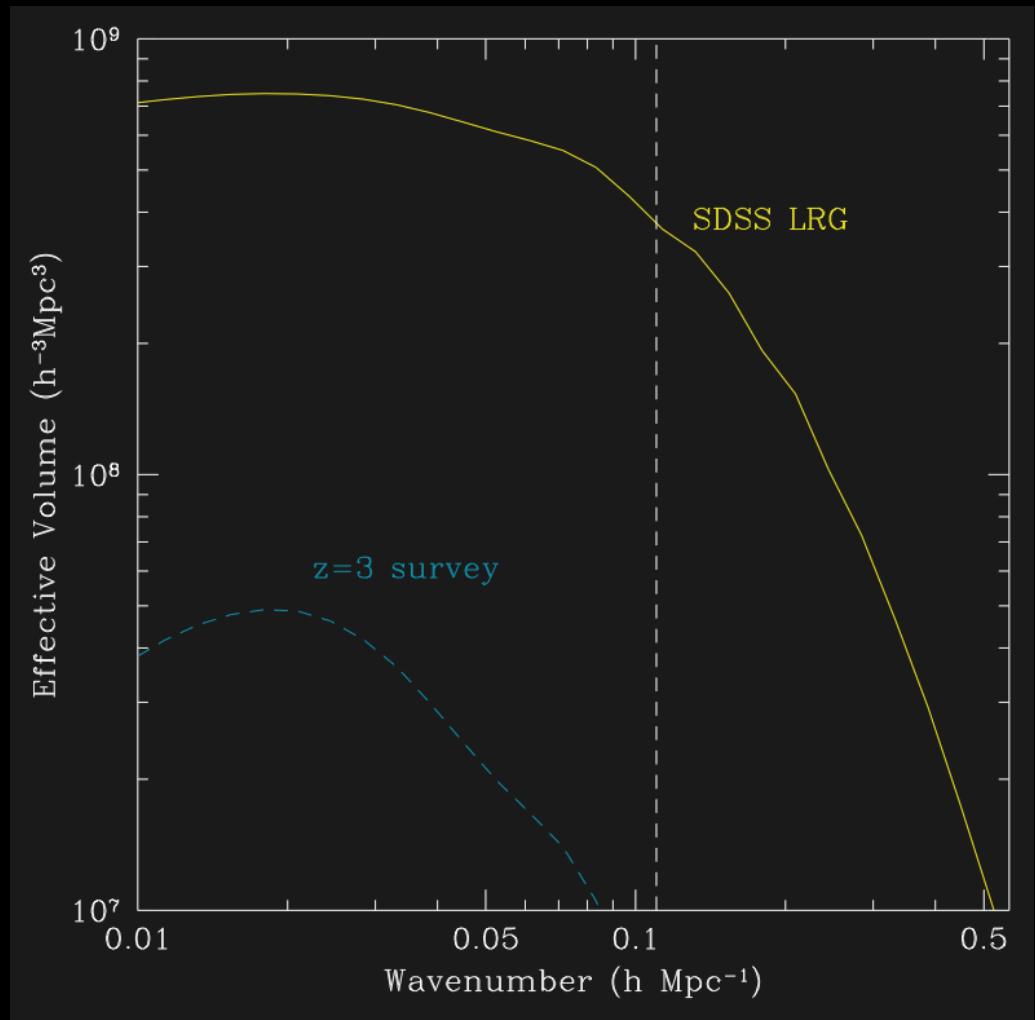
# Galaxy Surveys

## SDSS LRG

- $z \sim 0.3$
- Luminous Red Galaxies
- $n \sim 10^{-4} (h^{-1}\text{Mpc})^{-3}$
- $V_{\text{survey}} = 1.0 (h^{-1}\text{Gpc})^3$

## Survey 2

- $z \sim 3.0$
- Lyman Break Galaxies
- $n \sim 10^{-3} (h^{-1}\text{Mpc})^{-3}$
- $V_{\text{survey}} = 0.5 (h^{-1}\text{Gpc})^3$



$$V_{\text{eff}}(k, \mu) = \int \left[ \frac{n(r)P(k, \mu)}{n(r)P(k, \mu) + 1} \right]^2 V_{\text{survey}}$$

# Approach Summary

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AP Effect

Linear  
Growth

Bias and  
Redshift  
distortion

Density  
fluctuations

Bubbles

$$P_{\text{obs}}(k, \mu) = \frac{D_A^2(z) H^{\text{tr}}(z)}{D_A^{\text{tr}}(z) H(z)} \left[ \left[ \frac{G(z)}{G(z=0)} \right]^2 b^2 (1 + \beta[\mu^{\text{tr}}]^2)^2 P_\delta(k^{\text{tr}}) + P_{\text{bub}}(k^{\text{tr}}) \right] + P_{\text{shot}}.$$

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$$F_{\alpha\beta} = - \left\langle \frac{\partial^2 \log L}{\partial \theta_\alpha \partial \theta_\beta} \right\rangle.$$

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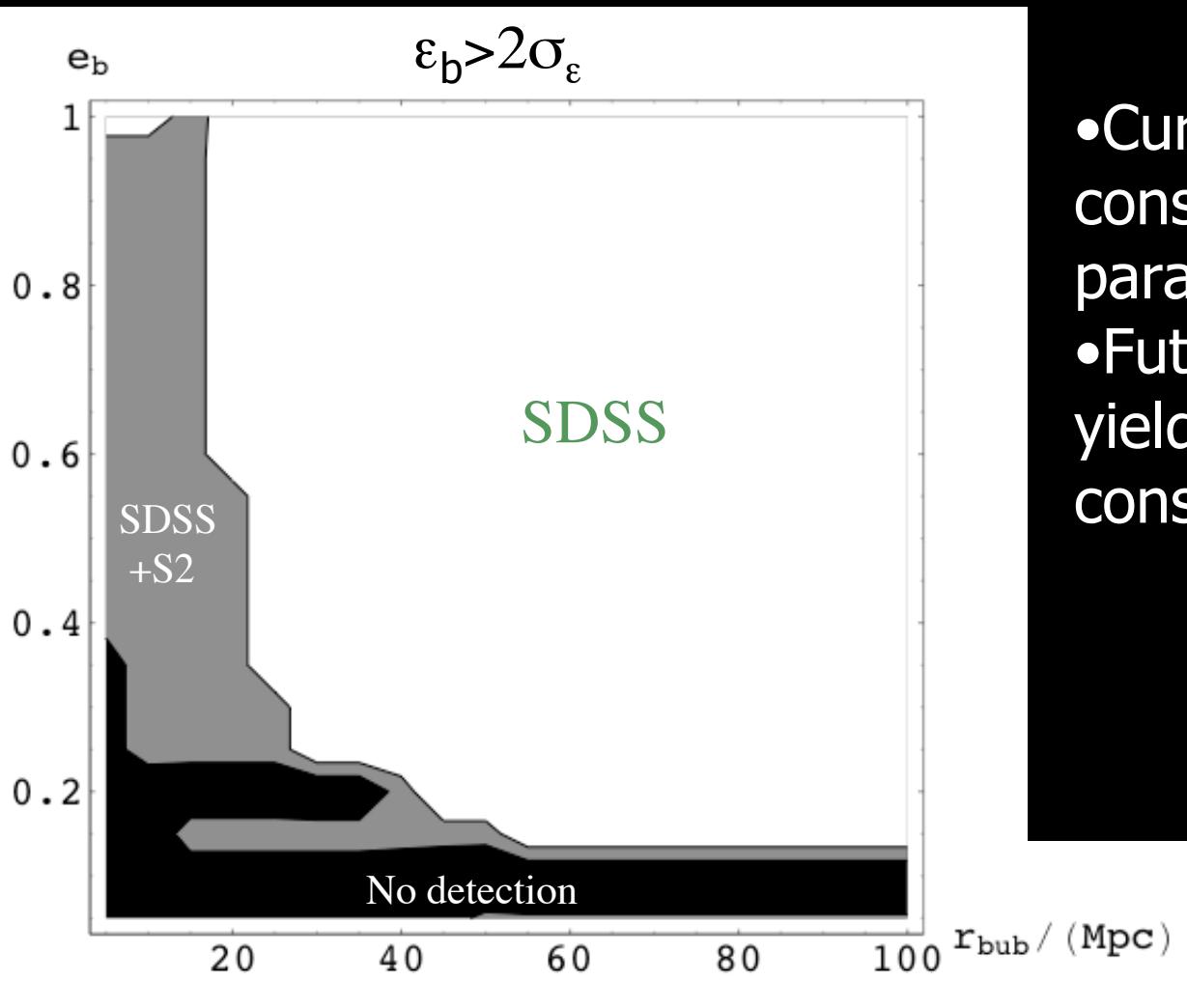
Galaxy + CMB experiment  
specifications

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Uncertainties on cosmological and bubble model parameters

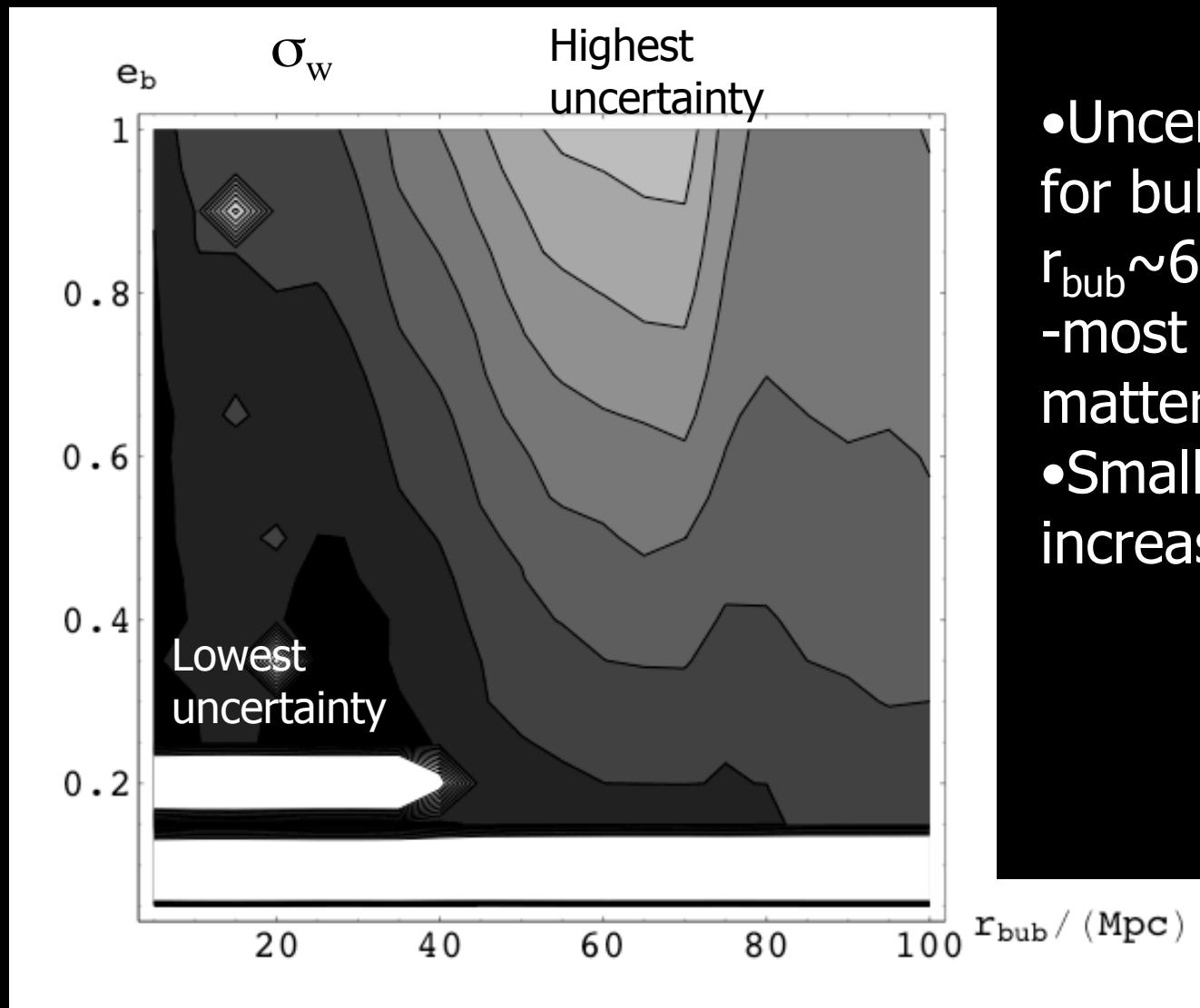
- Use these to probe effect of bubbles on galaxy power spectrum

# Possibilities for Detection



- Current surveys barely constrain most relevant parameter region
- Future surveys may yield interesting constraints

# Dark Energy Uncertainties



- Uncertainties increased for bubbles with  $r_{\text{bub}} \sim 65 \text{ Mpc}$ 
  - most degenerate with matter power spectrum
- Small effect ~30% increase at most

# Conclusions z=3

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- Future galaxy surveys should be able to place interesting constraints on the effect of ionization regions on galaxy formation
- Bubbles shouldn't provide a major source of noise when attempting to constrain dark energy parameters
- Some numerical issues need to be addressed
- Need to explore different shapes for bubble power spectrum
- Have explored statistical errors from including bubbles, but there will be a systematic change in maximum likelihood parameters as well. How can this be quantified?
- Toy model used - would be nice to make a connection to the underlying physics e.g. Babich & Loeb 2005

# Inhomogeneous X-ray Heating

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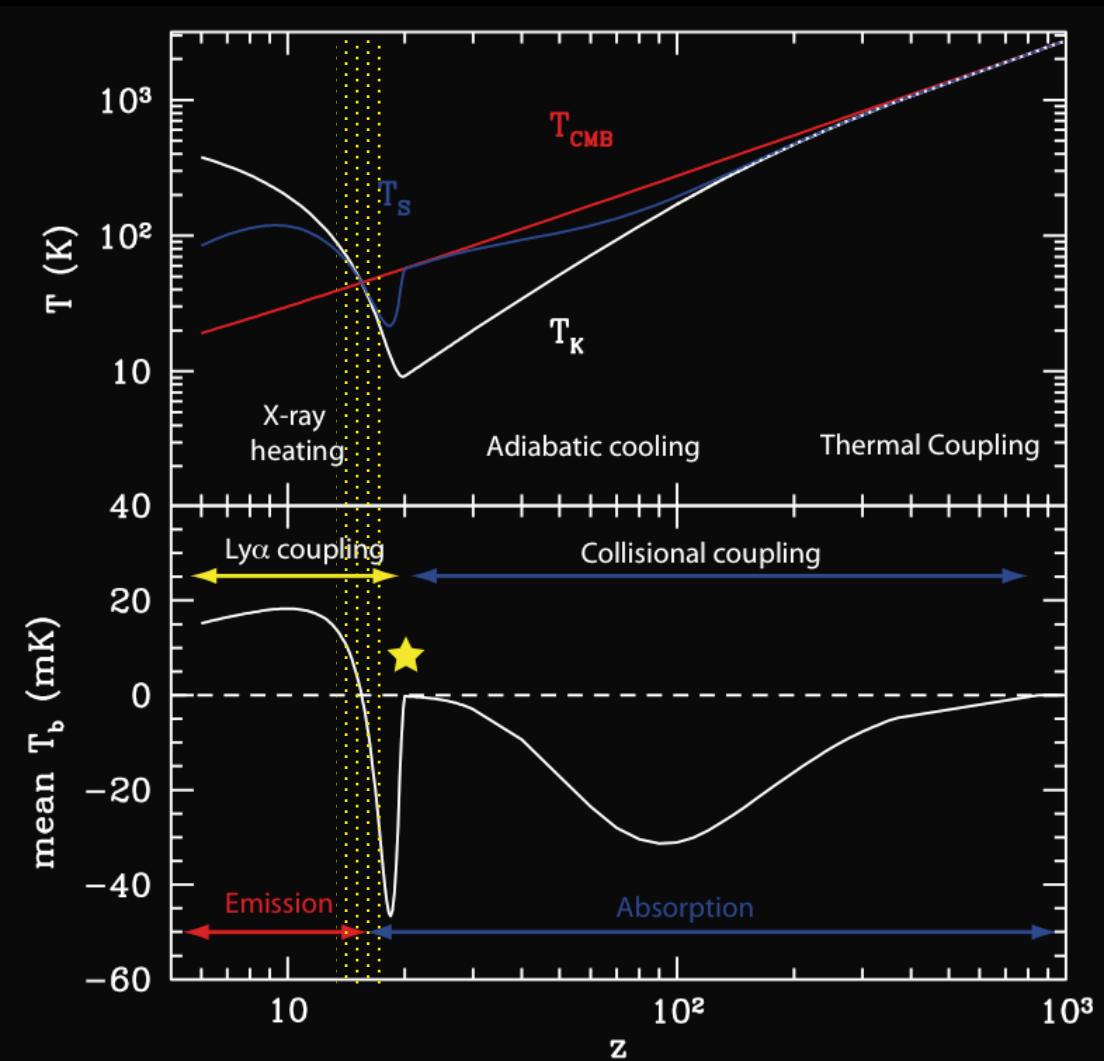
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Proposed work...

# Inhomogeneous X-ray heating

- X-rays are responsible for heating the IGM above the CMB temperature
- Heating usually assumed to be uniform
- Simplistic, fluctuations may lead to observable 21cm signal
- Analogous to Ly $\alpha$  fluctuations



# Calculation

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- Model star formation to calculate X-ray flux variation  
(Barkana & Loeb 2005)
- Convert X-ray flux to temperature perturbations  
(Shull & Van Steenberg 1985)
- Calculate resulting 21cm  $T_b$  signal
- Compare with temperature variation from overdense regions e.g. from photo-ionization equilibrium  
(Nasser 2005)

Density	Gas Temperature	W-F Coupling	neutral fraction	Velocity gradient
$\delta_{T_b} = \beta\delta + \beta_T\delta_{T_k} + \frac{x_\alpha}{\tilde{x}_{tot}}\delta_{x_\alpha} + \cancel{\delta_{x_{HI}}} - \delta_{dr}v_r$				
Density + x-ray		Ly $\alpha$ coupling saturated	IGM still mostly neutral	

# Future work z=0

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- Inhomogeneous X-ray heating as a source of 21 cm brightness temperature fluctuations
- Graduate June 2007!