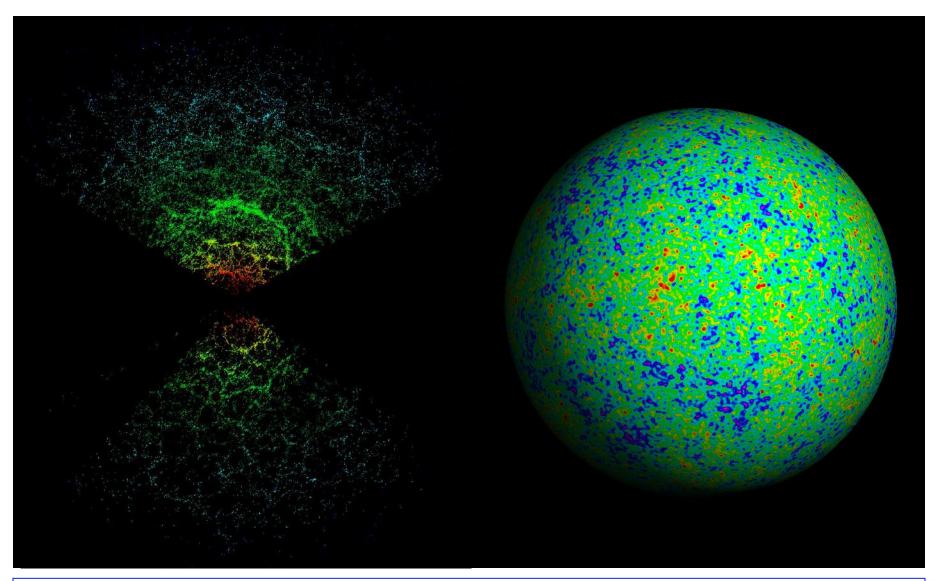
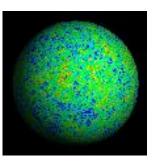
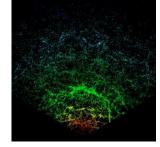
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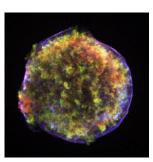
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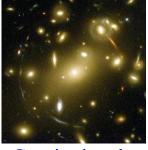
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Galaxy surveys

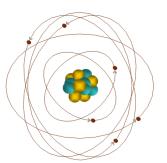


Supernovae Ia



Gravitational lensing

### THE COSMIC SMÖRGÅSBORD



Big Bang nucleosynthesis



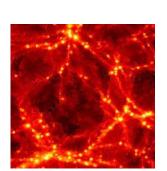
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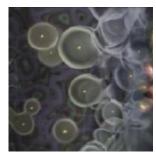
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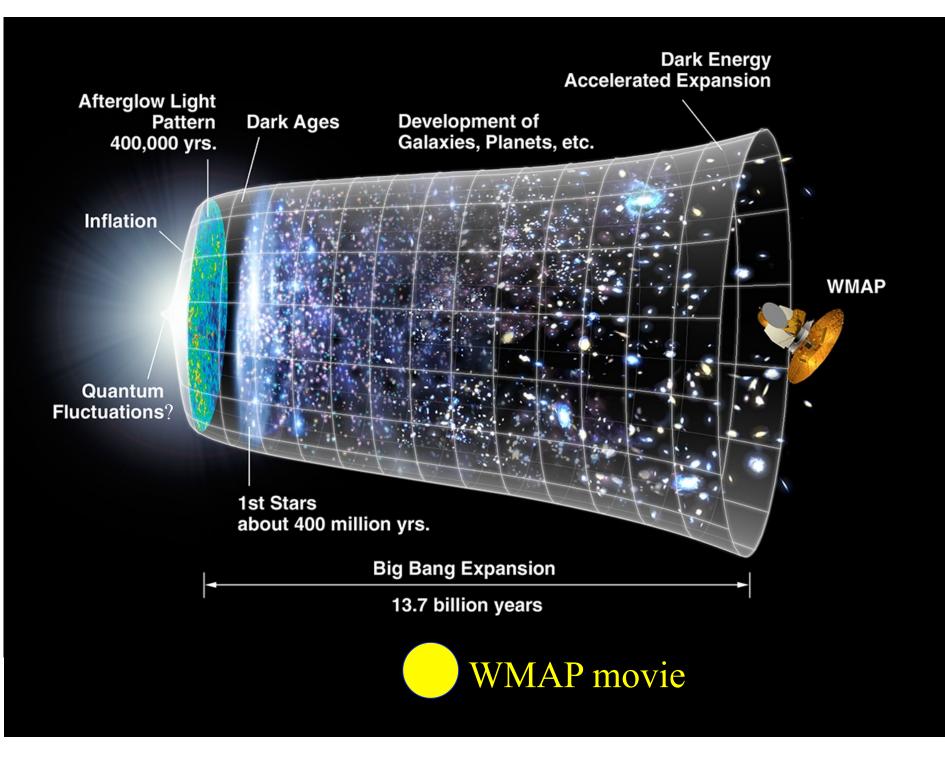


Lyman  $\alpha$  forest



Neutral hydrogen tomography

# What have we learned?



## EVIDENCE?

### **Evidence for Big Bang:**

- Darkness of night sky! (Olber)
- Distant objects look you
- Observed galaxy recession (Hubble's law)
- Existence of CMB
- Correct predictions of big bang nucleosynthesis

### Evidence for *what*, exactly?

Our entire observable universe was once as hot as the core of the Sun, doubling its size in a under a second.

• *Not* evidence for a singularity

Plenty enough bang for most people to call "big"...

### EVIDENCE: Big Bang Nucleosynthesis happened (correctly predicts the abundance of light elements)

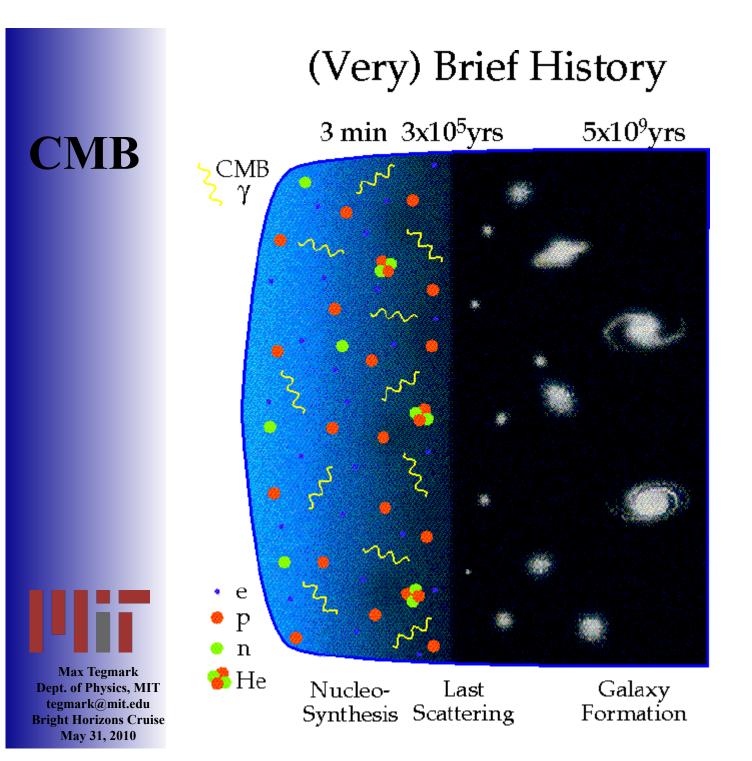
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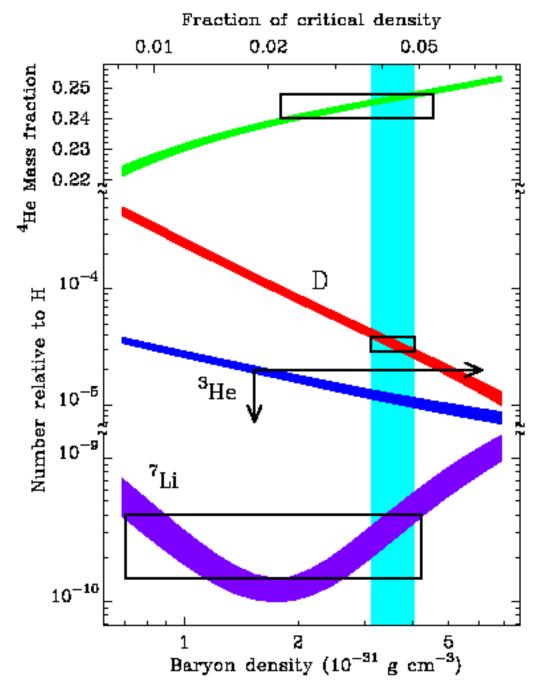
### **Evidence:**

The Universe was once hot enough to be a fusion reactor!





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#### Tytler et al 2000, astro-ph/0001318

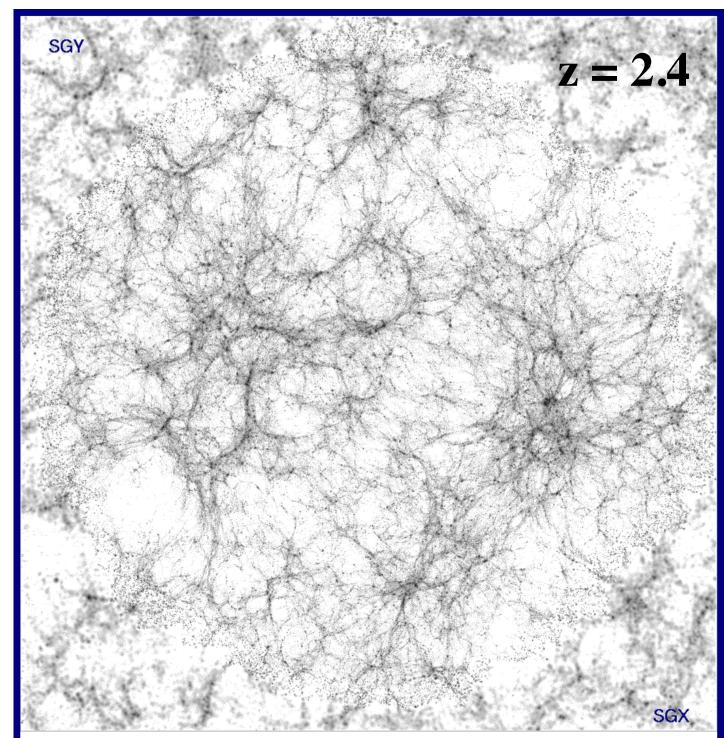
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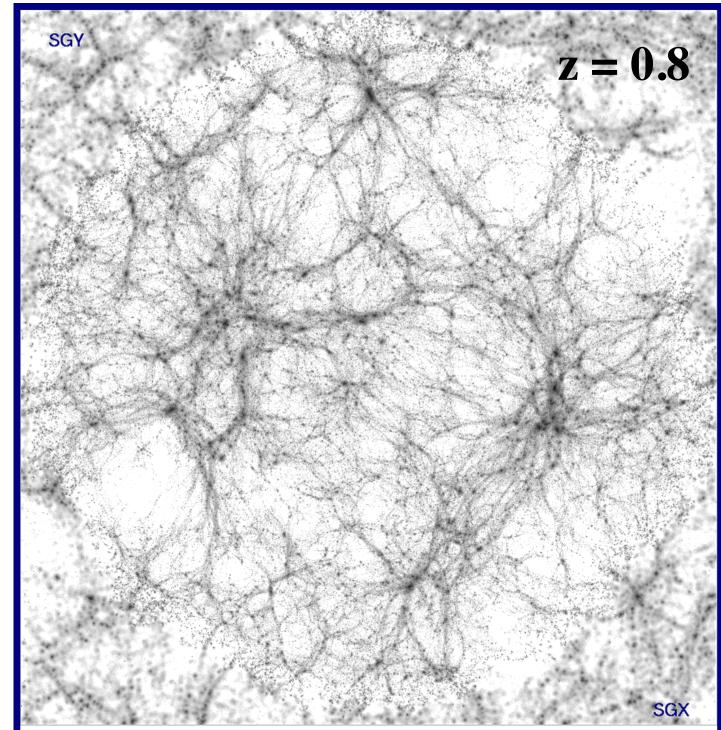
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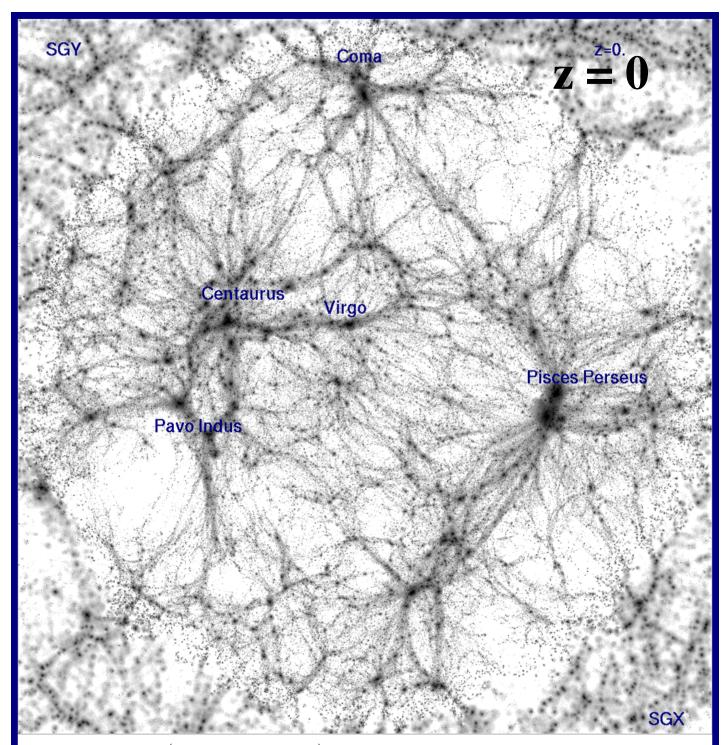
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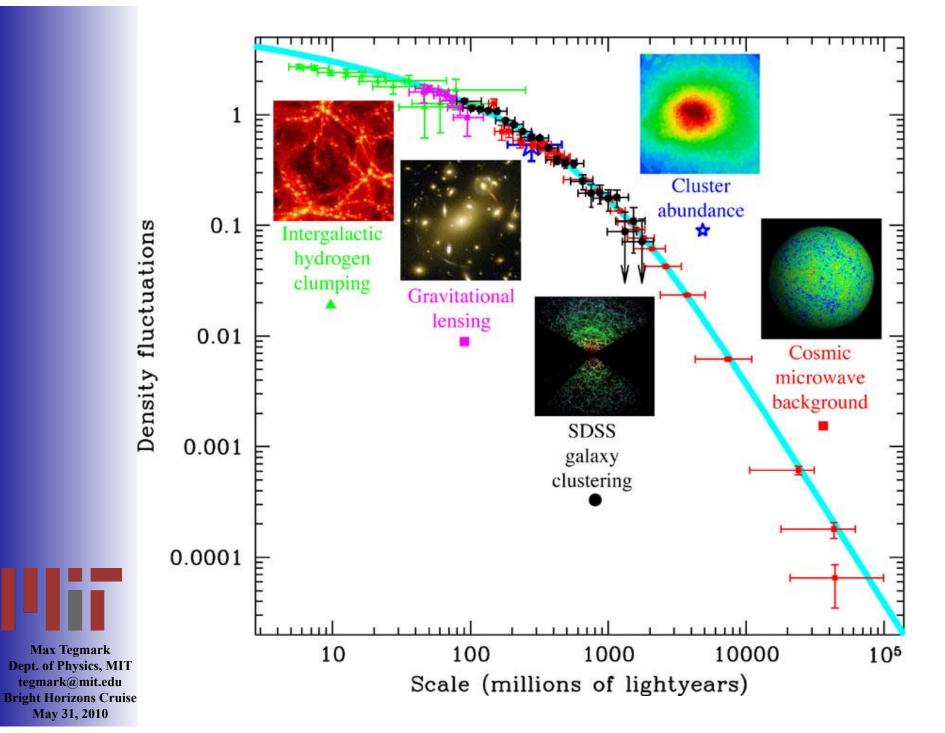
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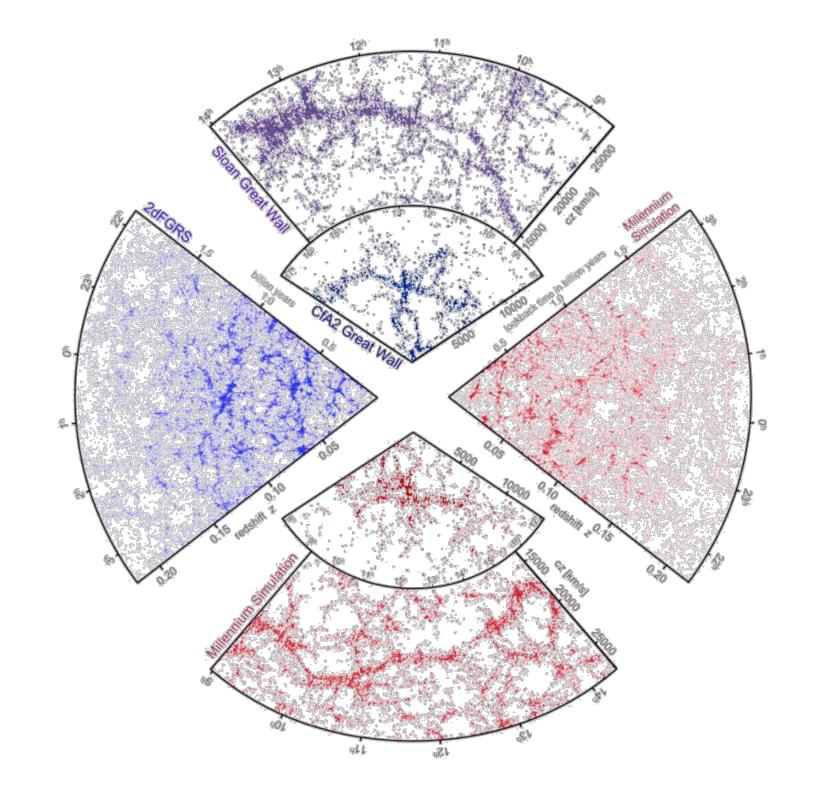


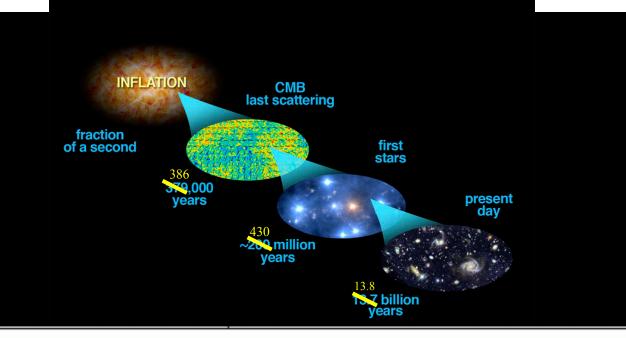
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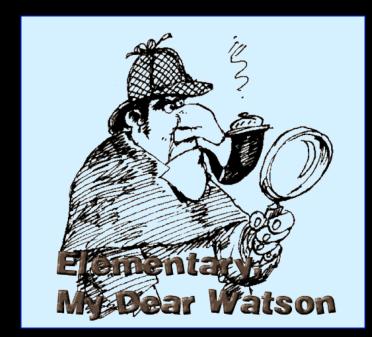


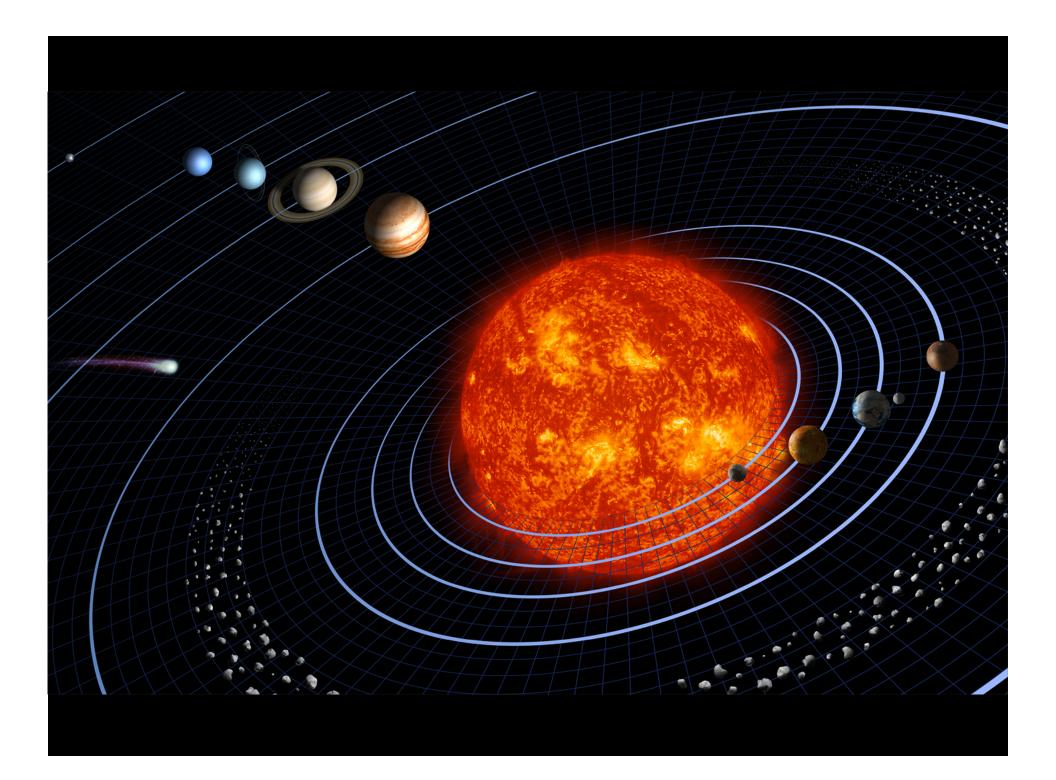
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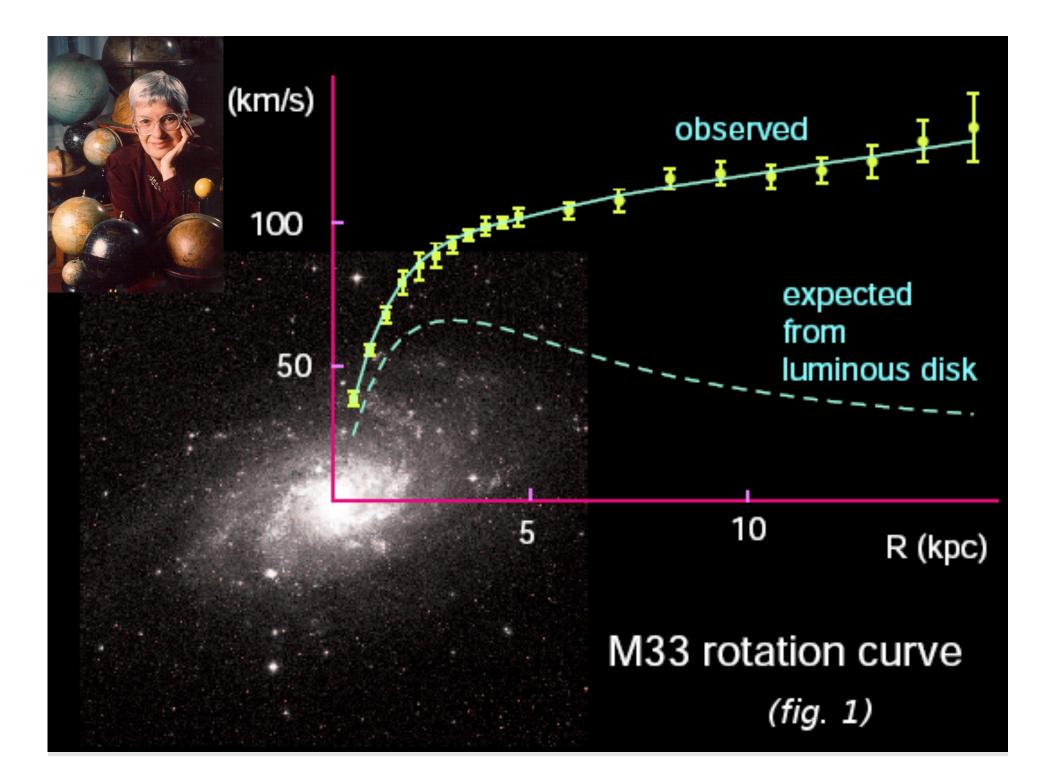
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$z_{ m ion}$	$11.1^{+2.2}_{-2.7}$	Reionization redshift (abrupt)
$z_{ m acc}$	$0.855 \substack{+0.059 \\ -0.059}$	Acceleration redshift
$t_{ m eq}$	$0.0634^{+0.0045}_{-0.0041}$ Myr	Matter-radiation Equality time
$t_{ m rec}$	$0.3856^{+0.0040}_{-0.0040}$ Myr	Recombination time
$t_{ m ion}$	$0.43^{+0.20}_{-0.10} \mathrm{~Gyr}$	Reionization time
$t_{ m acc}$	$6.74^{+0.25}_{-0.24} \mathrm{~Gyr}$	Acceleration time
$t_{now}$	$13.76^{+0.15}_{-0.15} \mathrm{~Gyr}$	Age of Universe now

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### Dark matter









### Four roads to dark matter: catch it, infer it, make it, weigh it



### Indirect:

Fermi (né GLAST) launched 6/11-08,

Pamela

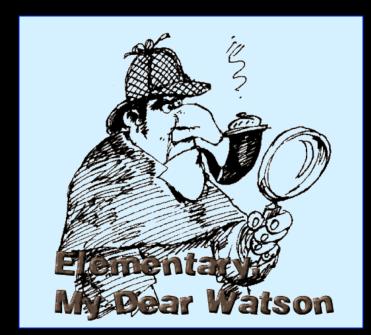


### Gravitational:

Planck launch scheduled for February 2009

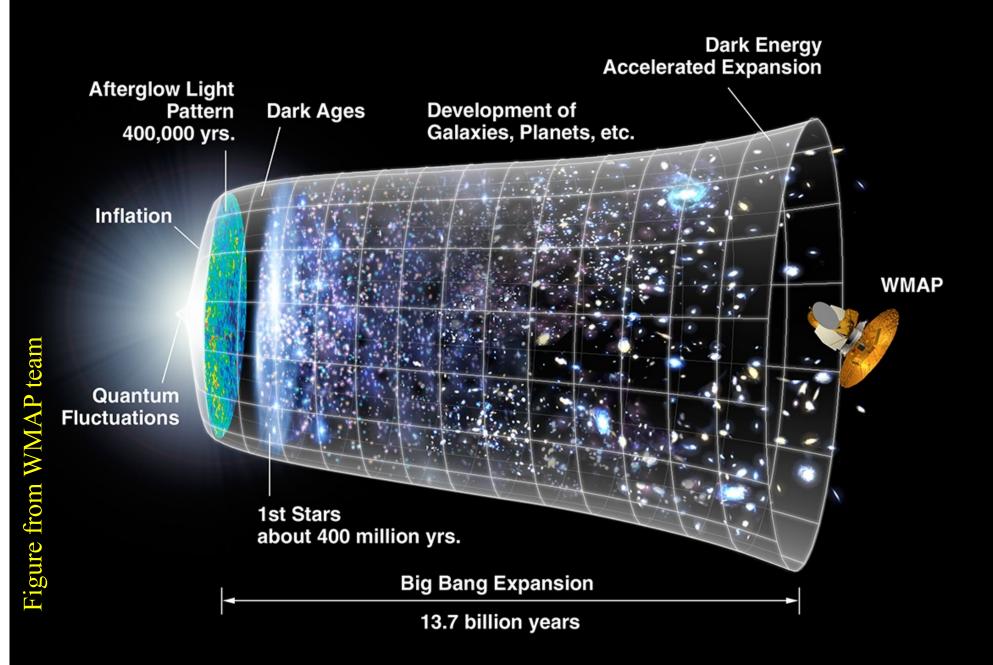
21 cm tomography coming

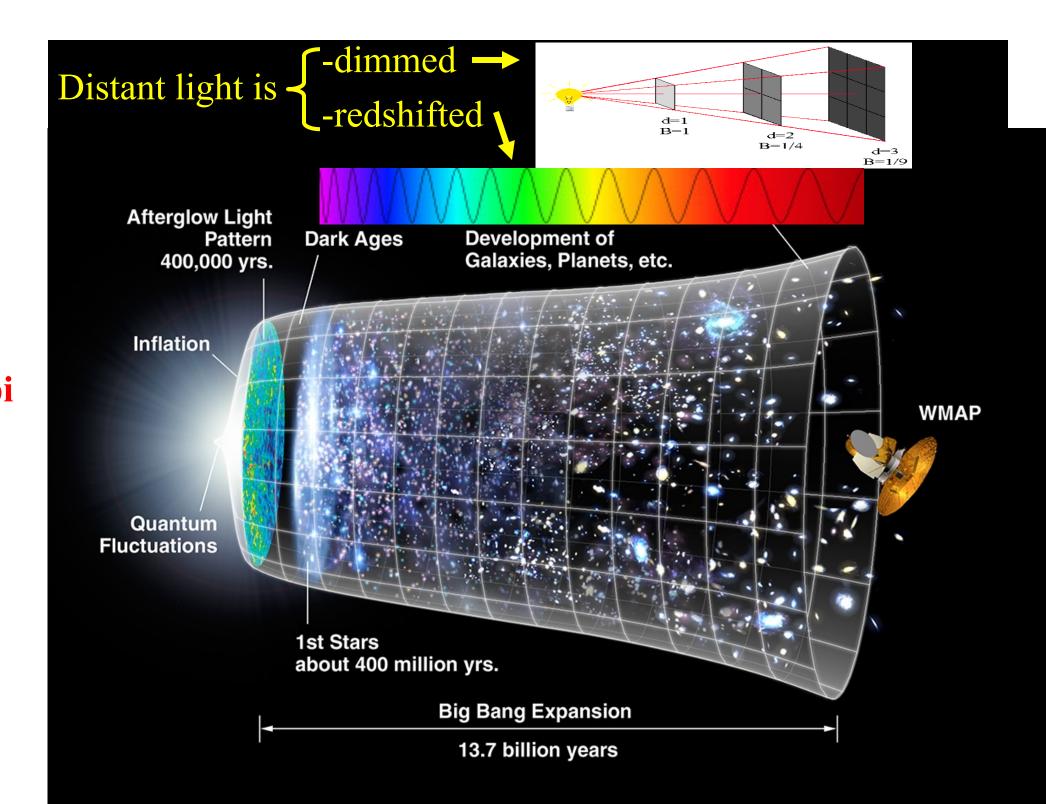
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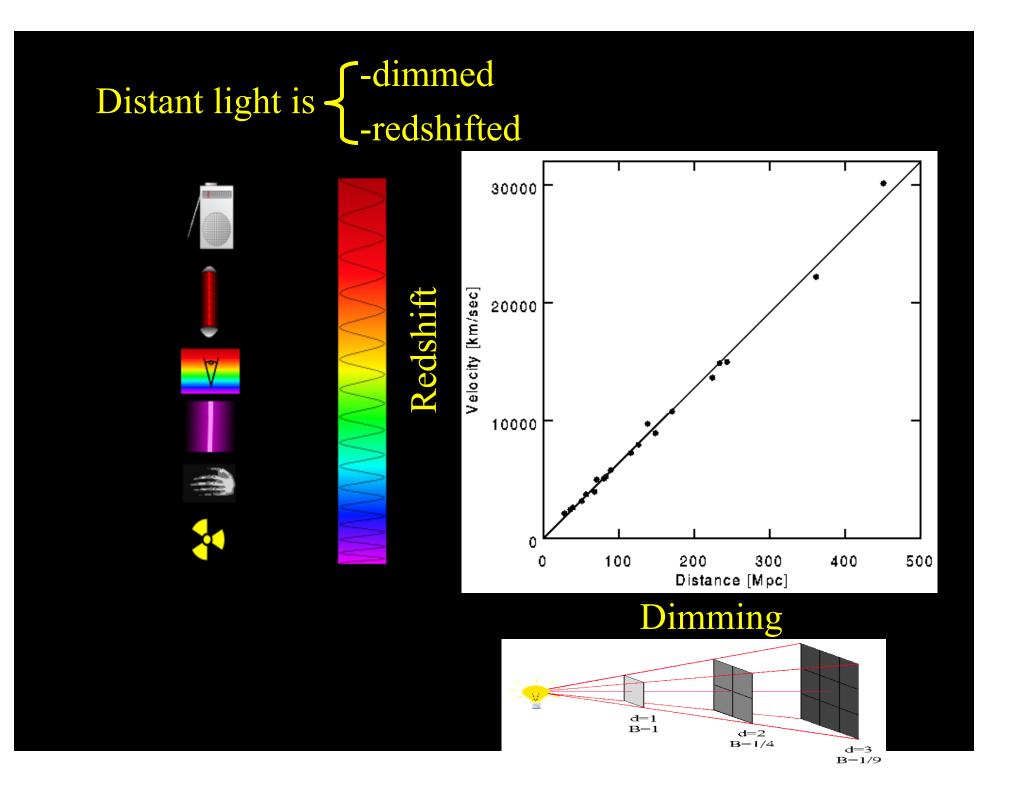




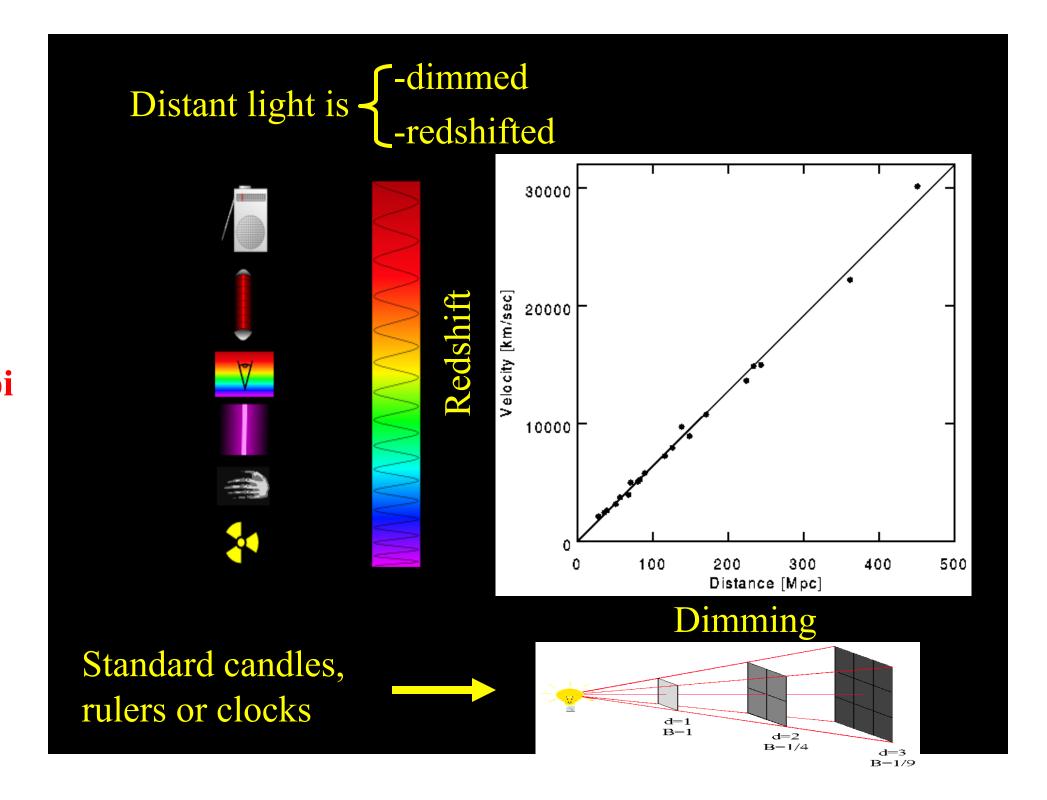
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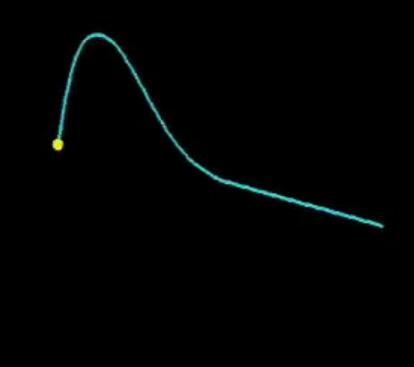


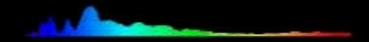


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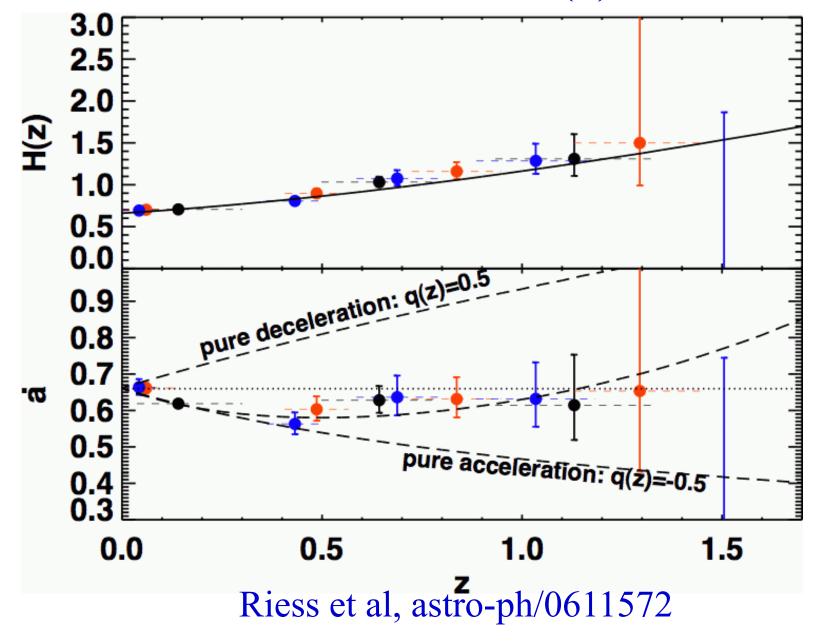






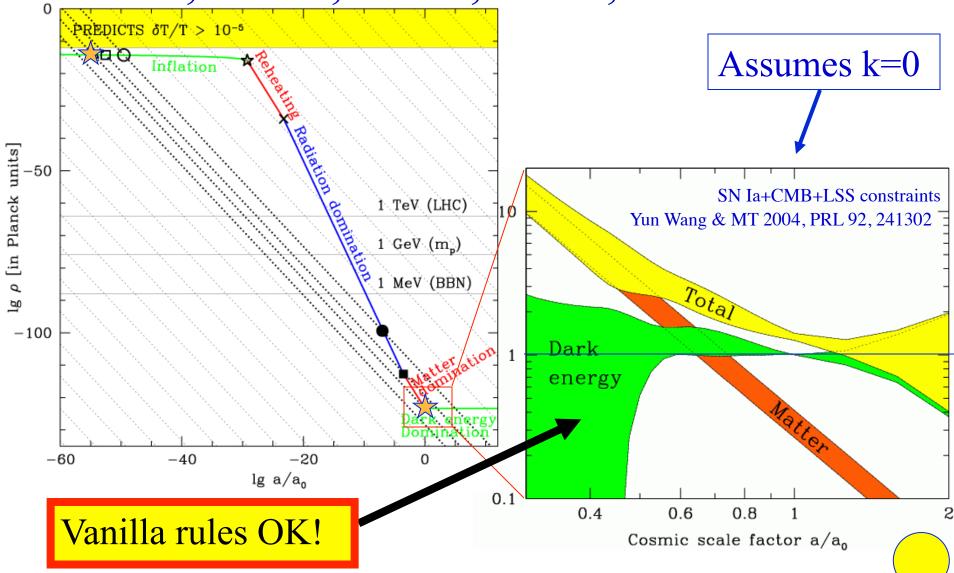


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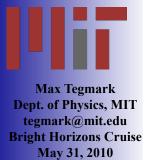


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### What we've learned about H(z) from SN Ia, CMB, BAO, BBN, etc:









#### **DO ANY OF THESE QUESTIONS CONFUSE YOU?**

- 1. What is the Universe expanding into?
- 2. How can stuff be more than 14 billion light years away when the Universe is only 14 billion light years old?
- 3. Where in space did the Big Bang explosion happen?
- 4. Did the Big Bang happen at a single point?
- 5. How could a the Big Bang create an infinite space in a finite time?
- 6. How could space not be infinite?
- 7. If the Universe is only 10 billion years old, how can we see objects that are now 30 billion light years away?
- 8. Don't galaxies receeding faster than *c* violate relativity theory?
- 9. Are galaxies really moving away from us, or is space just expanding?
- 10. Is the Milky Way expanding?
- 11. Do we have evidence for a Big Bang singularity?
- 12. What came before the Big Bang?
- 13. Should I feel insignificant?