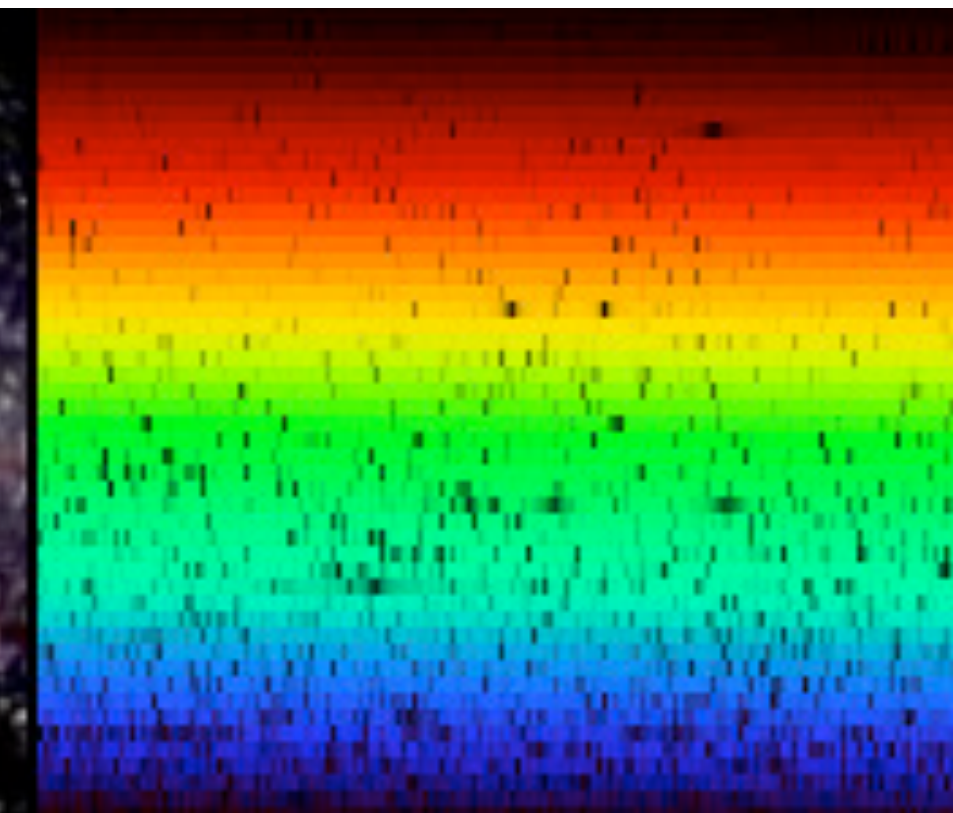




ASTR/PHYS 3070: Foundations Astronomy



Week 15 Tuesday

Today's Agenda

- Extragalactic distances
- Large Scale Structure (LSS)
- Evolution
- Early Universe

Announcements / Reminders

- HW 10 due this Friday @11:59pm
- HW 11 also available, due next week
- Read Chapters 20 & 23.0-3 (& 24)

- HEAP TODAY @ 4pm
 - LSS / Cosmology probed through weak lensing!
- Colloquium Friday @ 2pm
 - Intercellular Communication & Drug Delivery

Project Presentations

- ~20 groups, need to get through 10+ per day
- Aim for ~5 min presentations
- 10% of your course grade is based on class participation (attendance / asking questions / group work)
- Asking questions after presentations counts toward your participation!
- Completing Feedback forms also counts (but less)
- Project is 20% of your course grade (3/4 project, 1/5 prez, 1/20 paragraph description)

Your Name: _____

Interpreting & Communicating Science: Peer Feedback

Provide constructive criticism on your peers' projects. Feedback will be distributed anonymously.

Presenter Name(s): _____

Did the project and presentation improve your understanding of the concept?

Which aspect did you feel was most instructive?

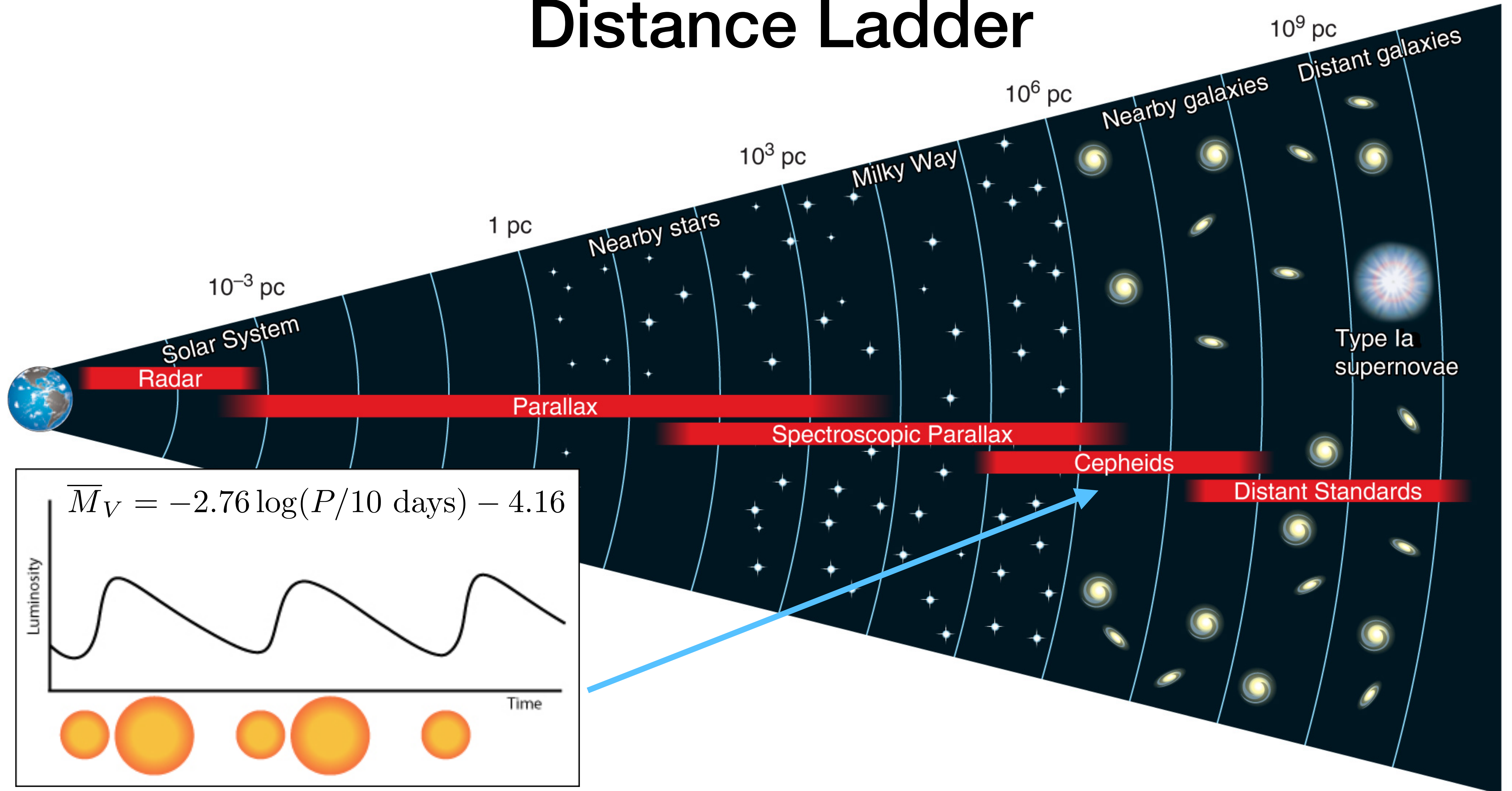
Project Presentation Both were equally useful Neither were useful

Any suggestions for how the final copy could be improved before it is submitted:

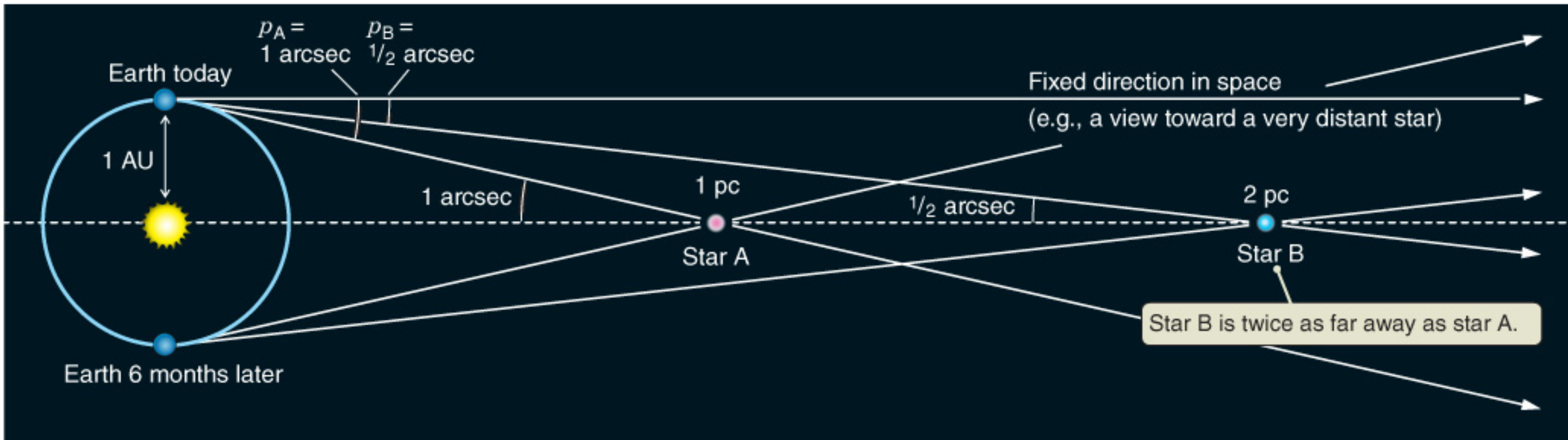
**December 15th:
Archival Copy of Project Due**

**December 17th:
Final Exam**

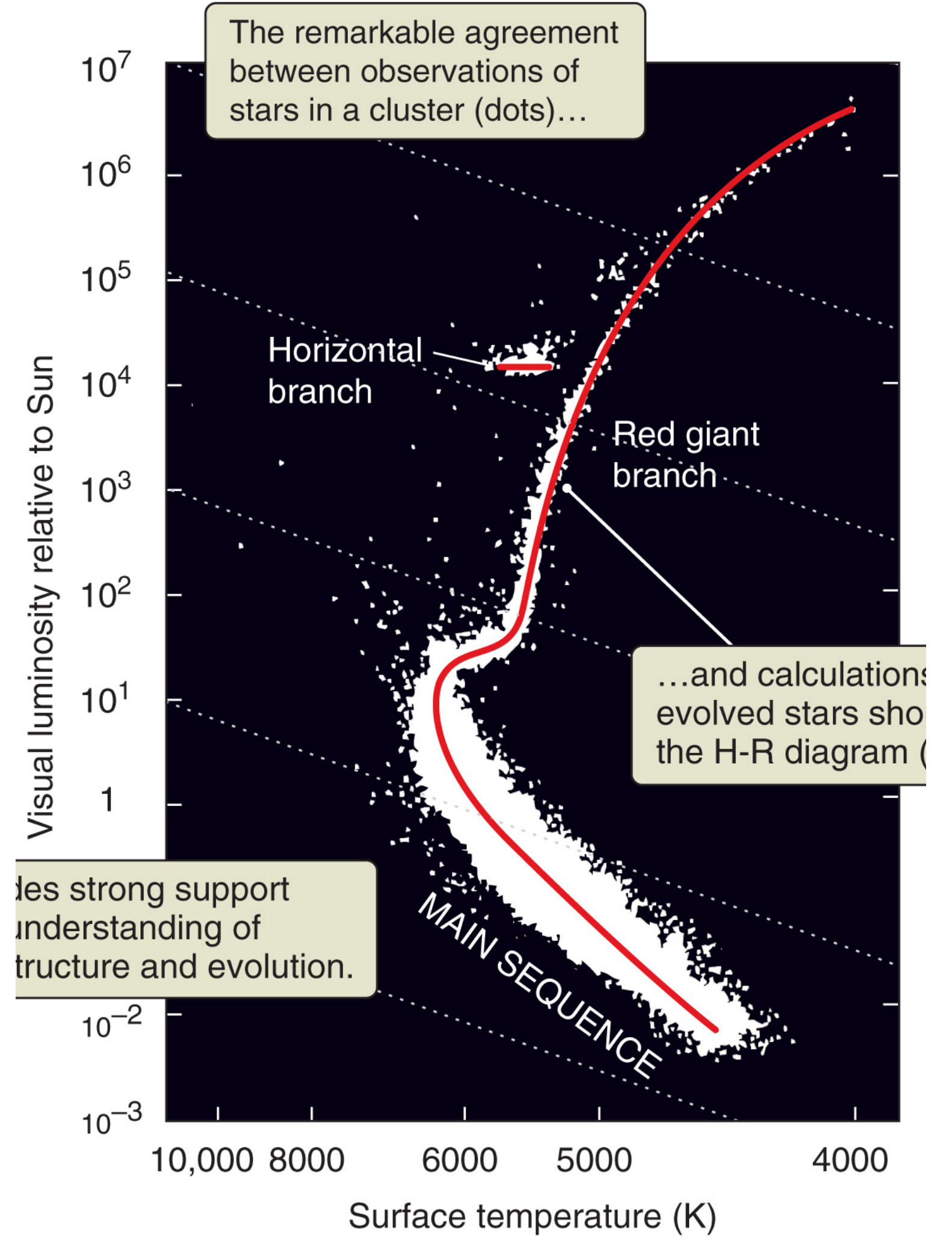
Distance Ladder



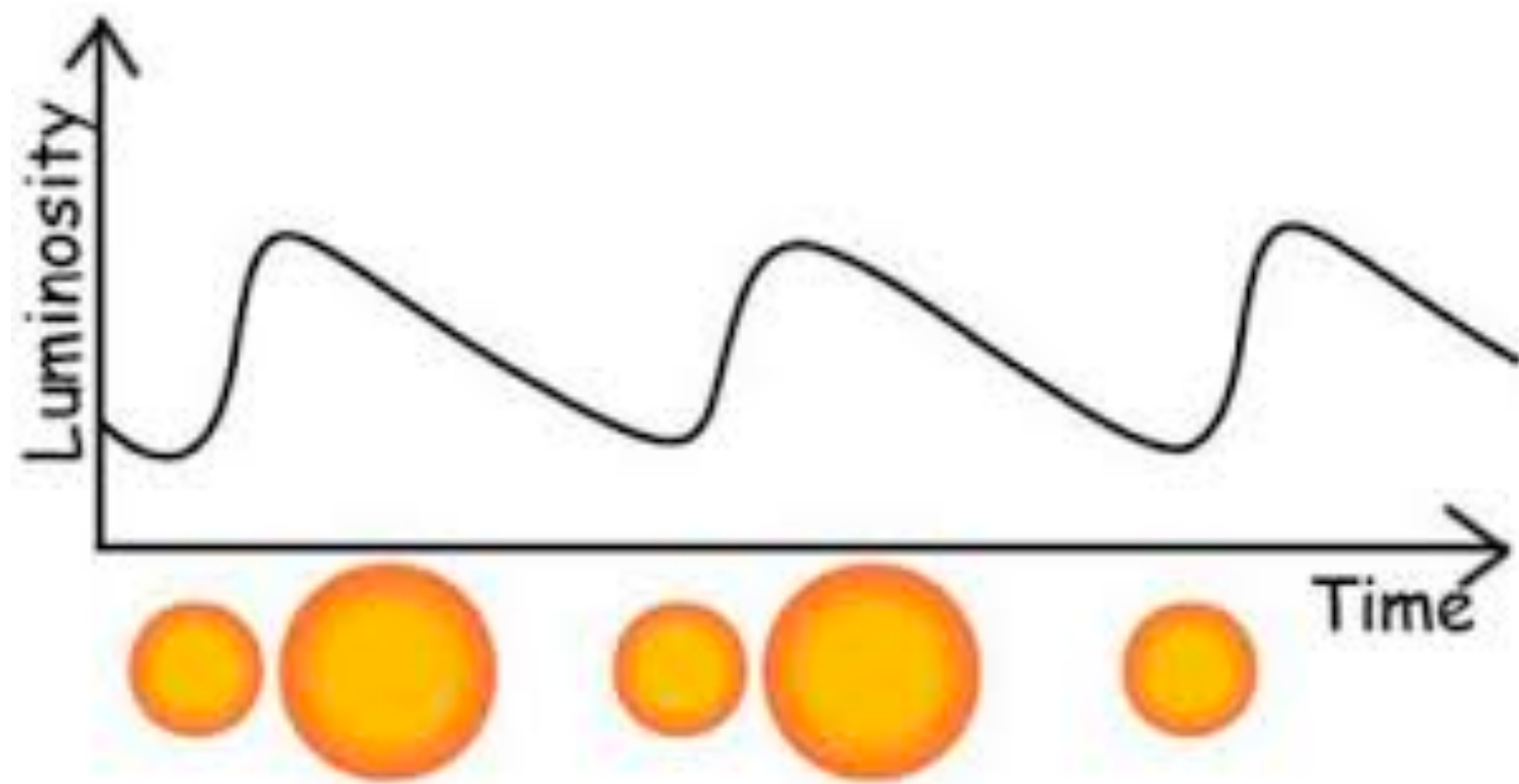
Parallax



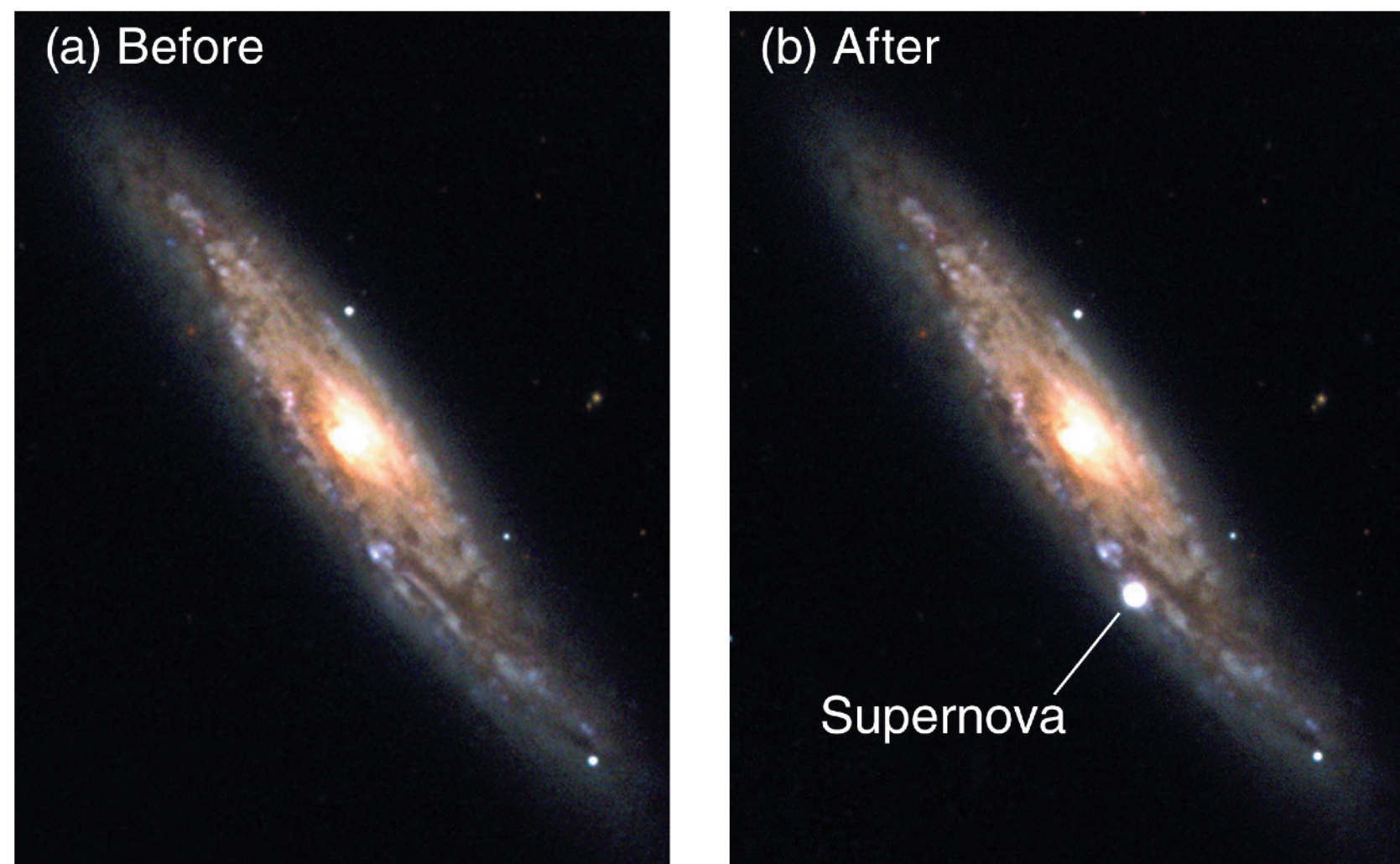
Spectroscopic Parallax



Cepheid Variables

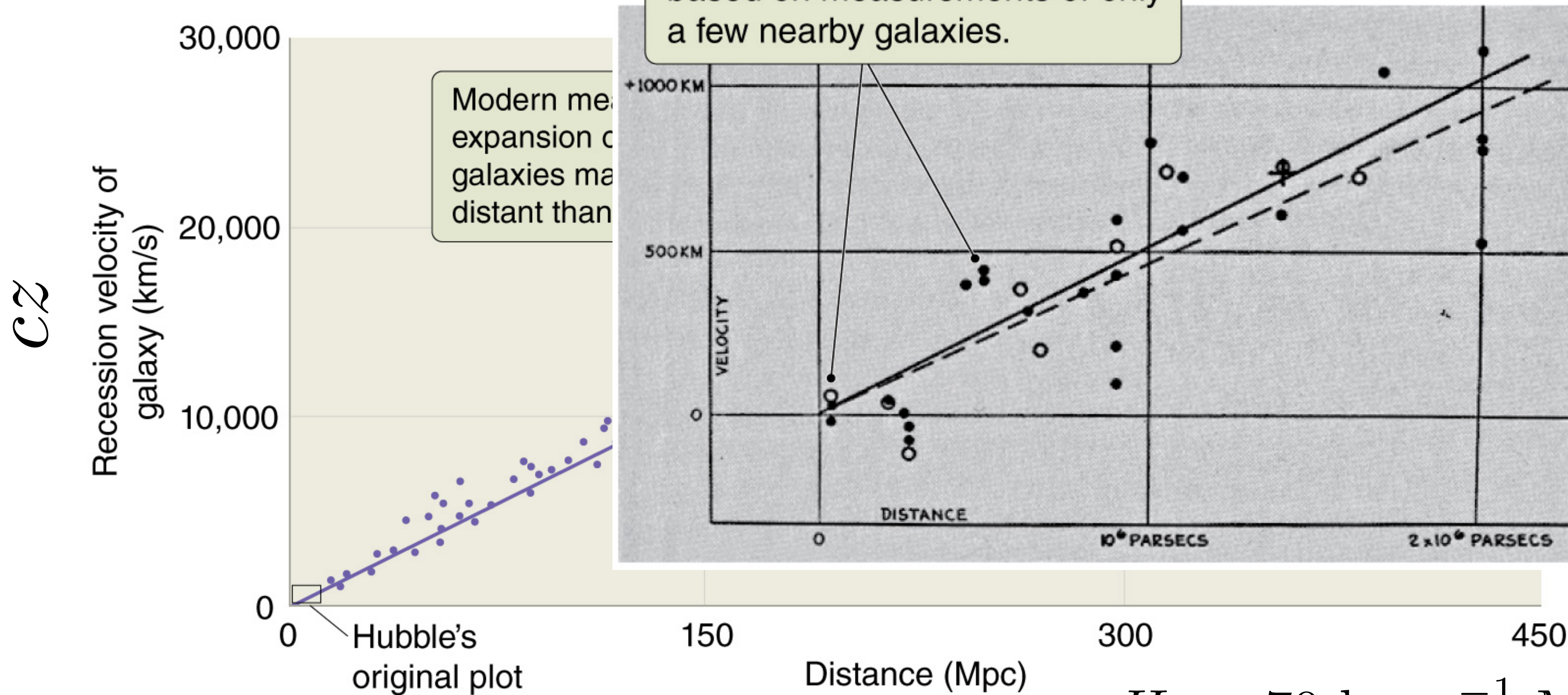


Type Ia SNe



Hubble's Law

$$cz = H_0 d$$

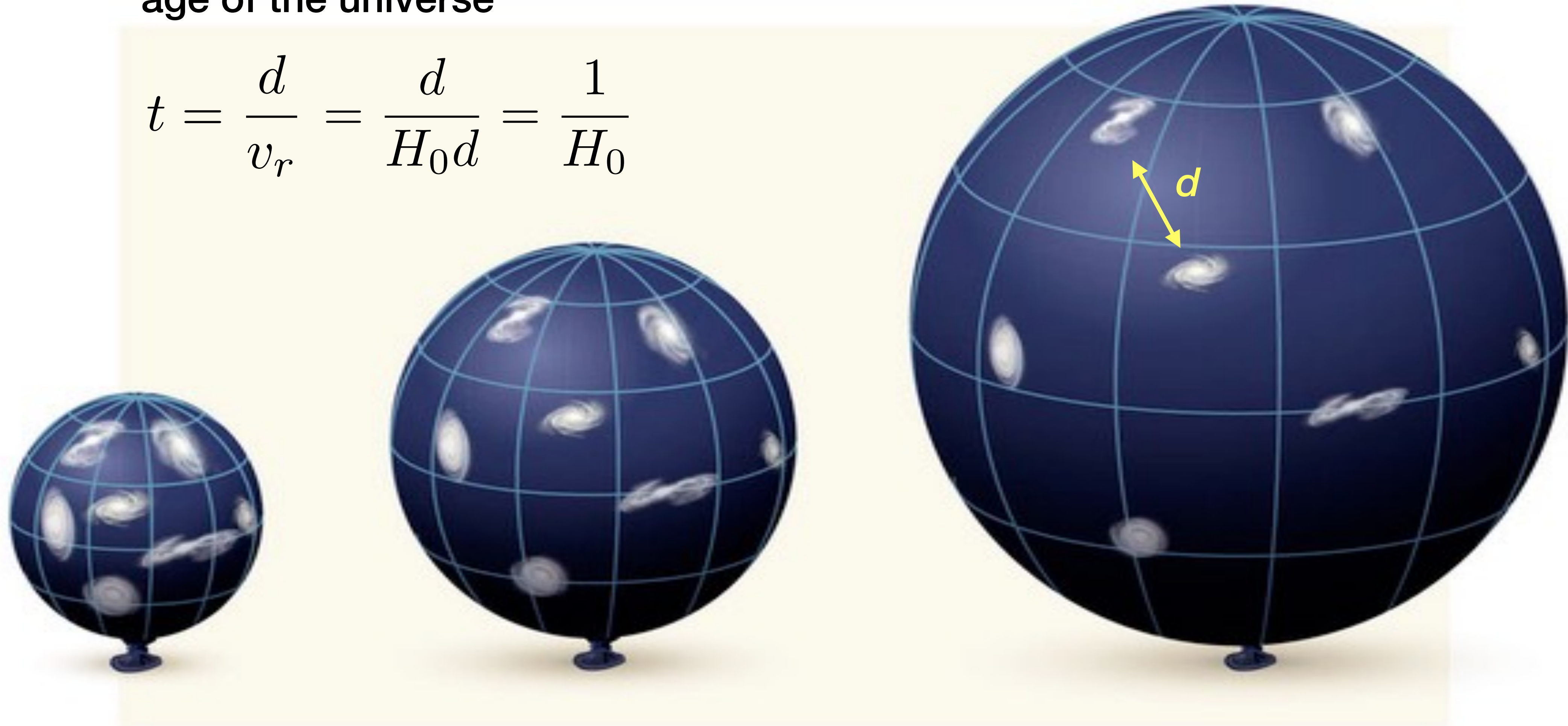


$$H_0 \approx 70 \text{ km s}^{-1} \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$$

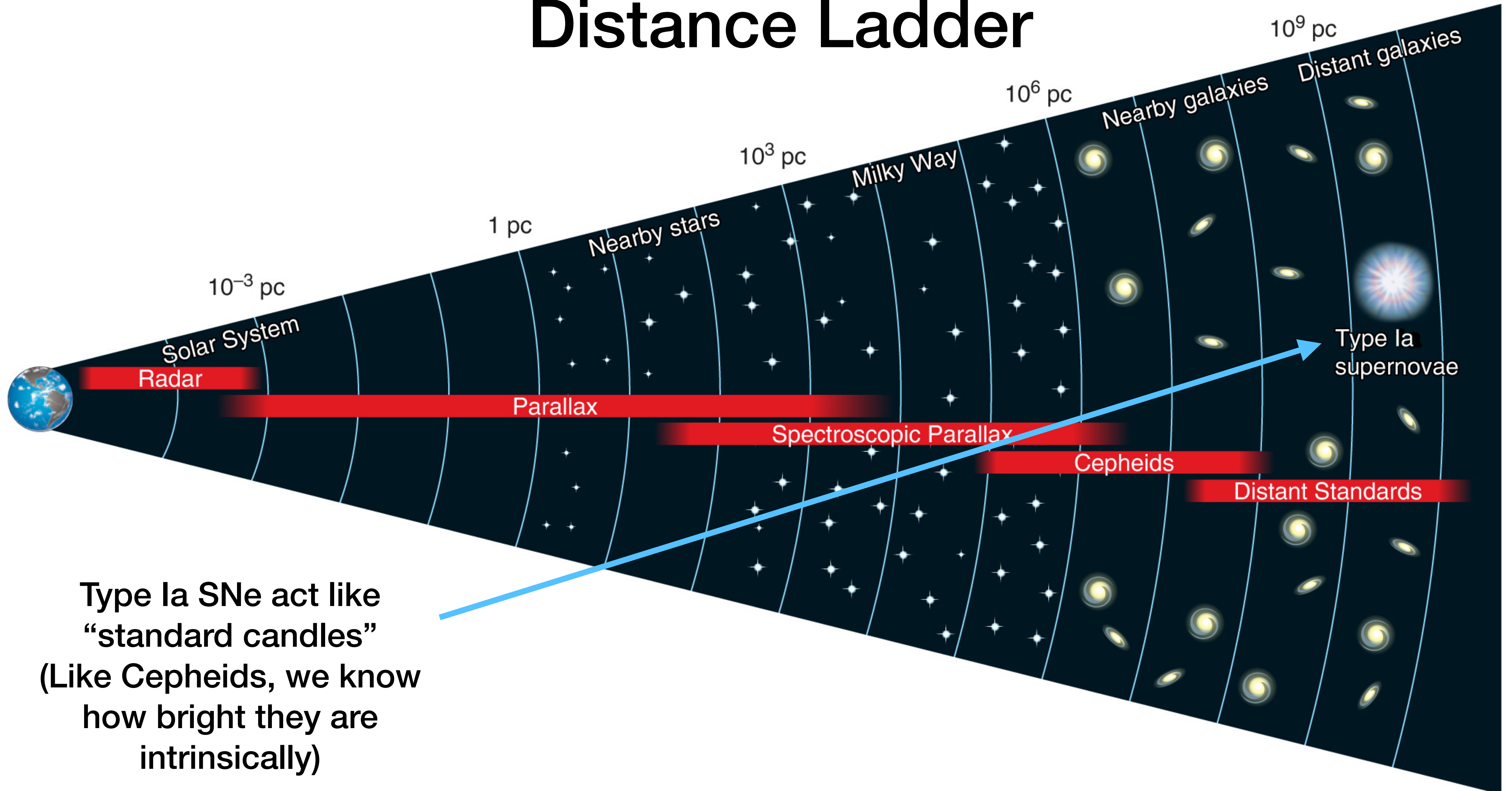
We live in an expanding “balloon universe”

If expansion constant, then can estimate the age of the universe

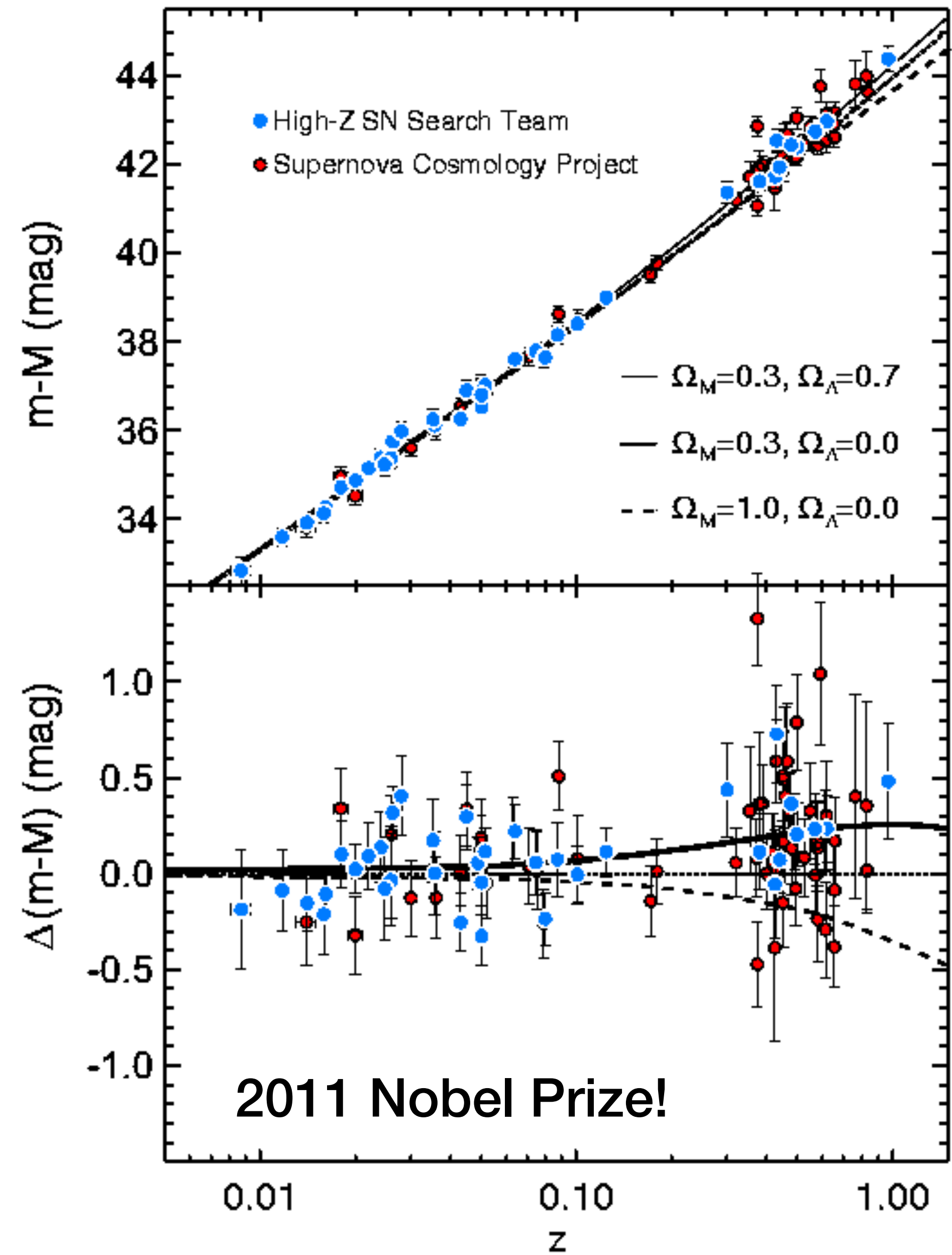
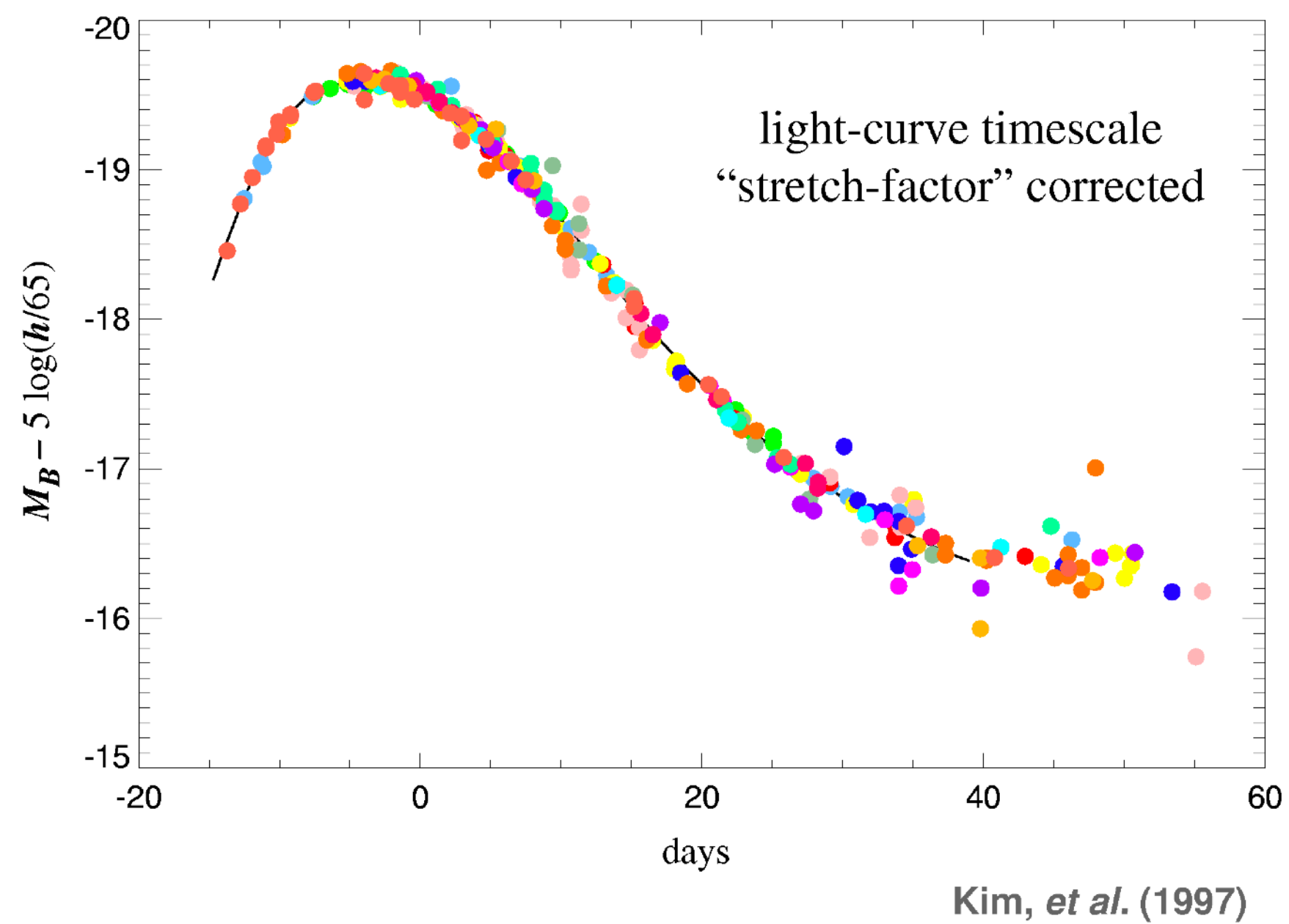
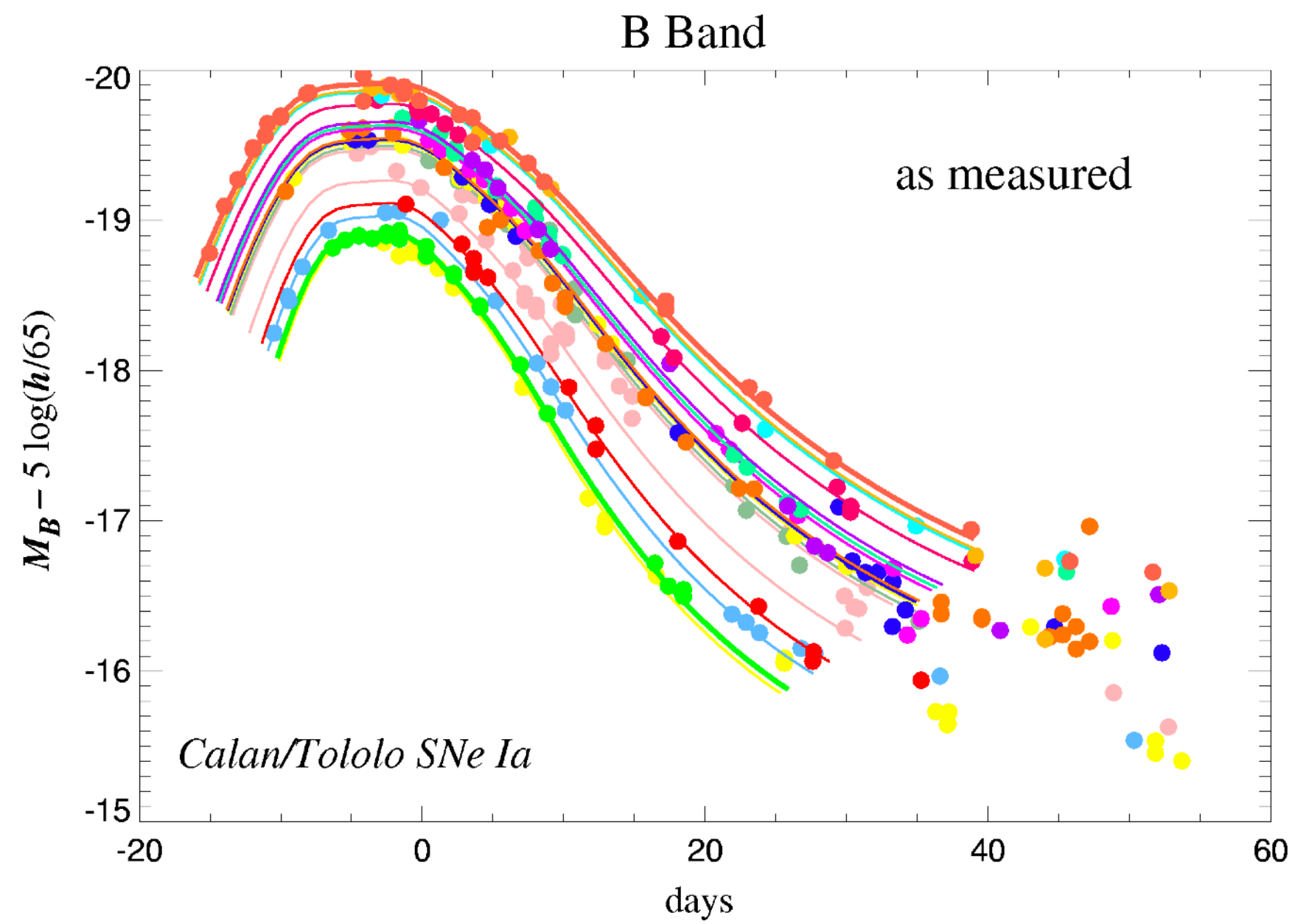
$$t = \frac{d}{v_r} = \frac{d}{H_0 d} = \frac{1}{H_0}$$



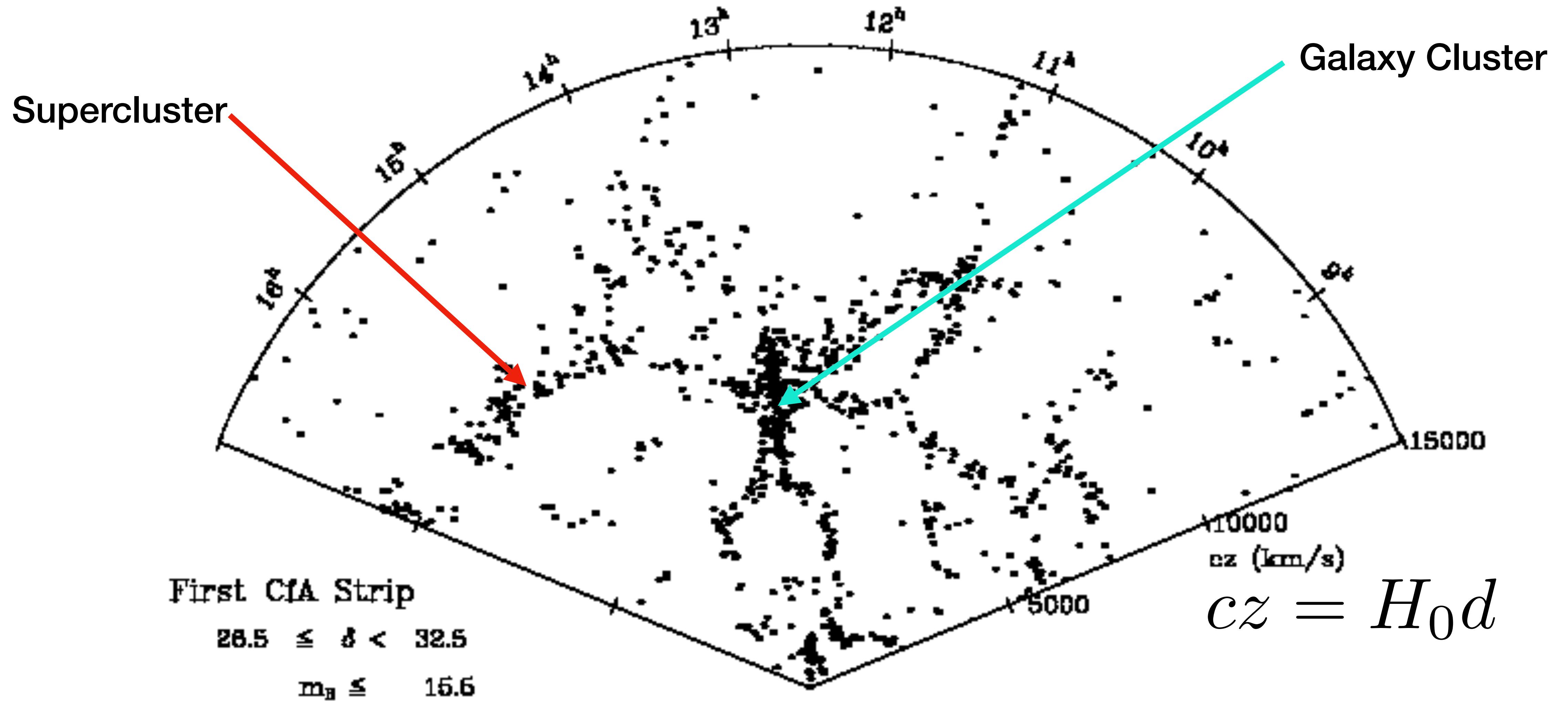
Distance Ladder



Type Ia SNe act like
“standard candles”
(Like Cepheids, we know
how bright they are
intrinsically)

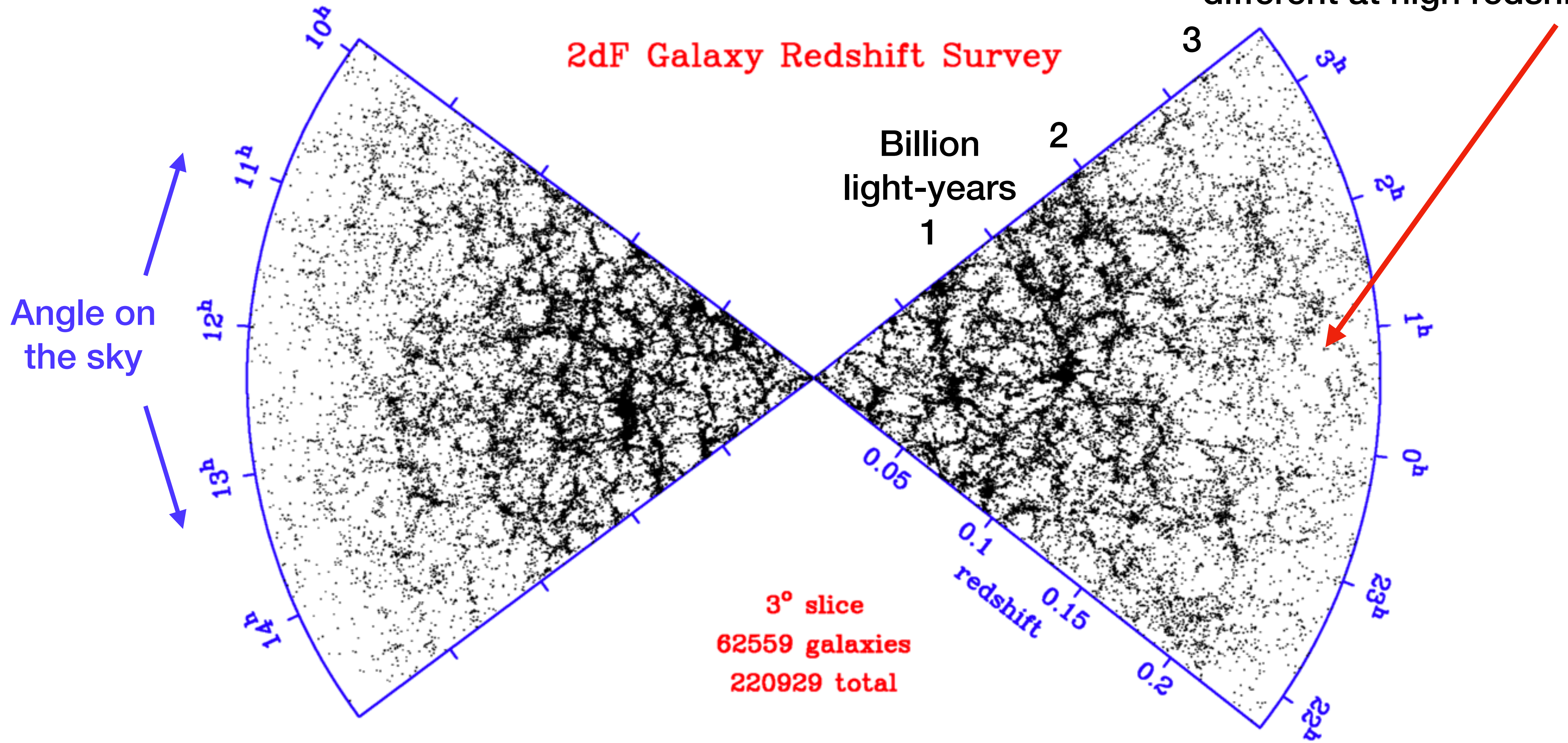


Finger of God: the Coma Cluster



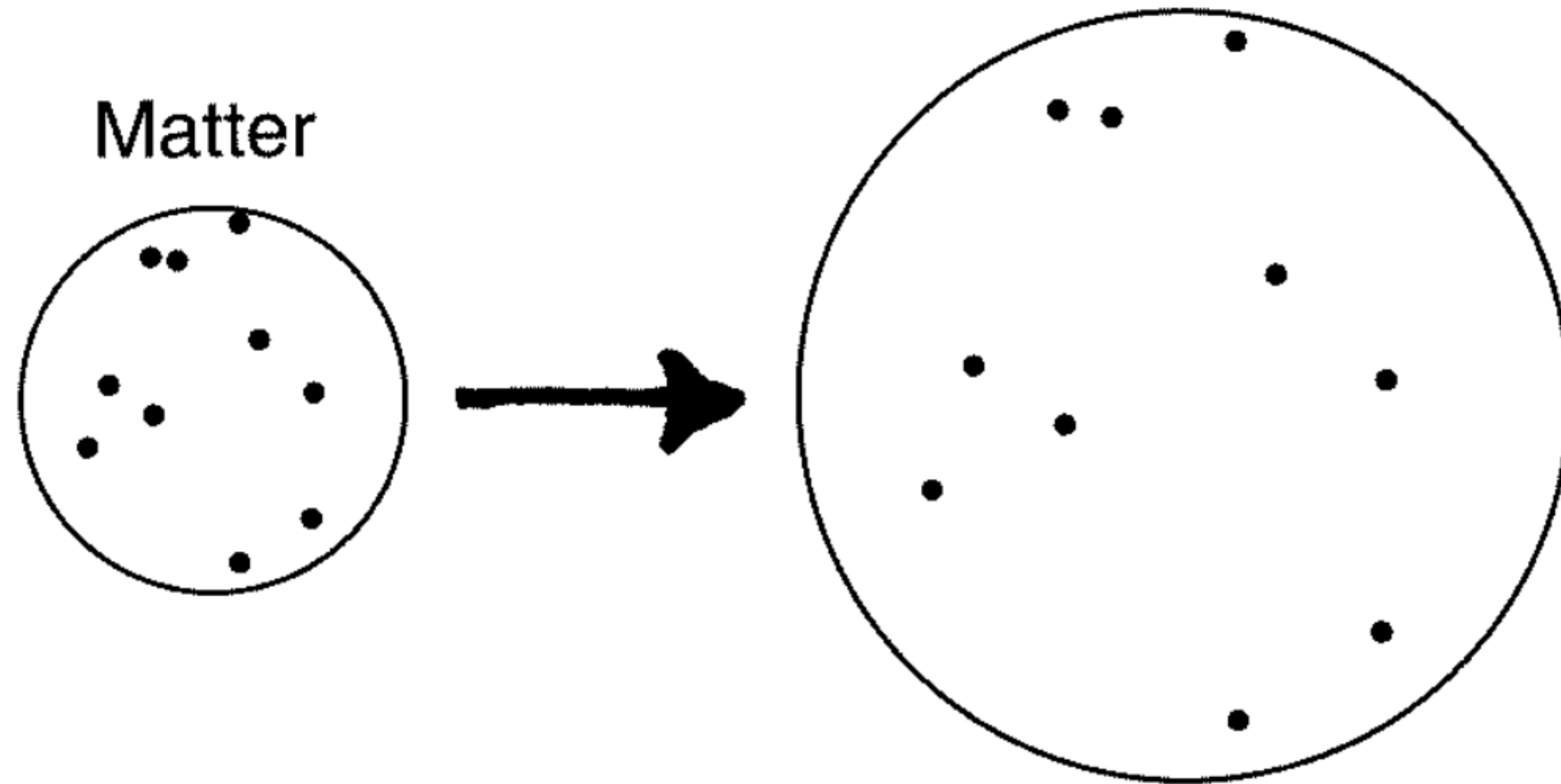
Galaxy Surveys

Why does the pattern look different at high redshifts?



Cosmology

How does the expansion speed change with time?



When dense, the gravitational force is stronger
(But also the expansion speed was higher)

Like shooting a cannonball straight up:

- 1) $v < v_{\text{esc}}$: go up and come back down
- 2) $v = v_{\text{esc}}$: stop when infinitely far away
- 3) $v > v_{\text{esc}}$: reach coasting velocity

Same is true if all particles exploding away from each other

Friedmann Equation

Master equation of the universe

Curvature of space
(Flat =0, spherical <0, or hyperbolic >0 geometry?)

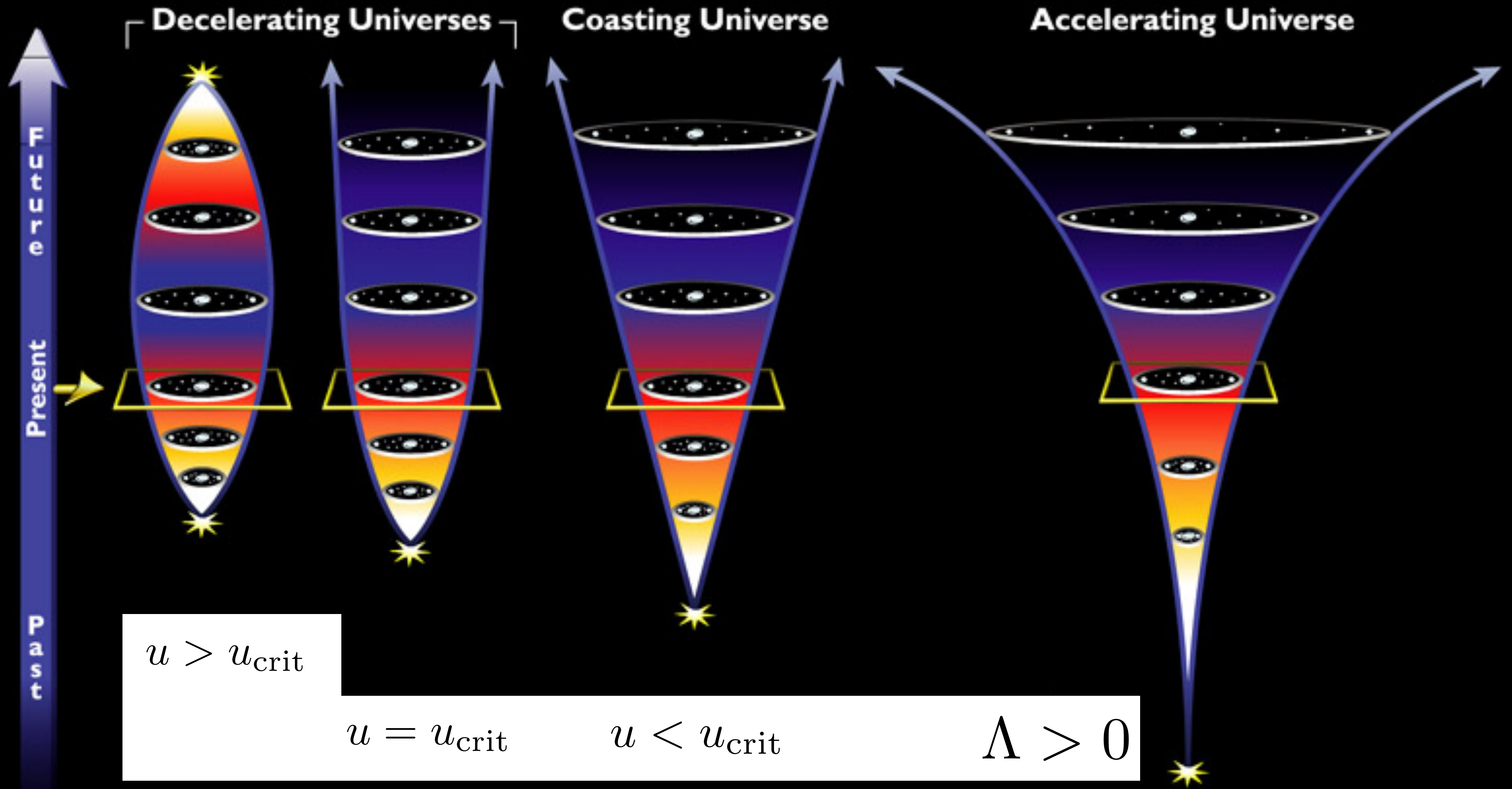
Cosmological constant
(Dark energy)

$$\left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a}\right)^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3c^2} u(t) + \frac{\kappa c^2}{r_{c,0}^2} \frac{1}{a(t)^2} + \frac{\Lambda}{3}$$

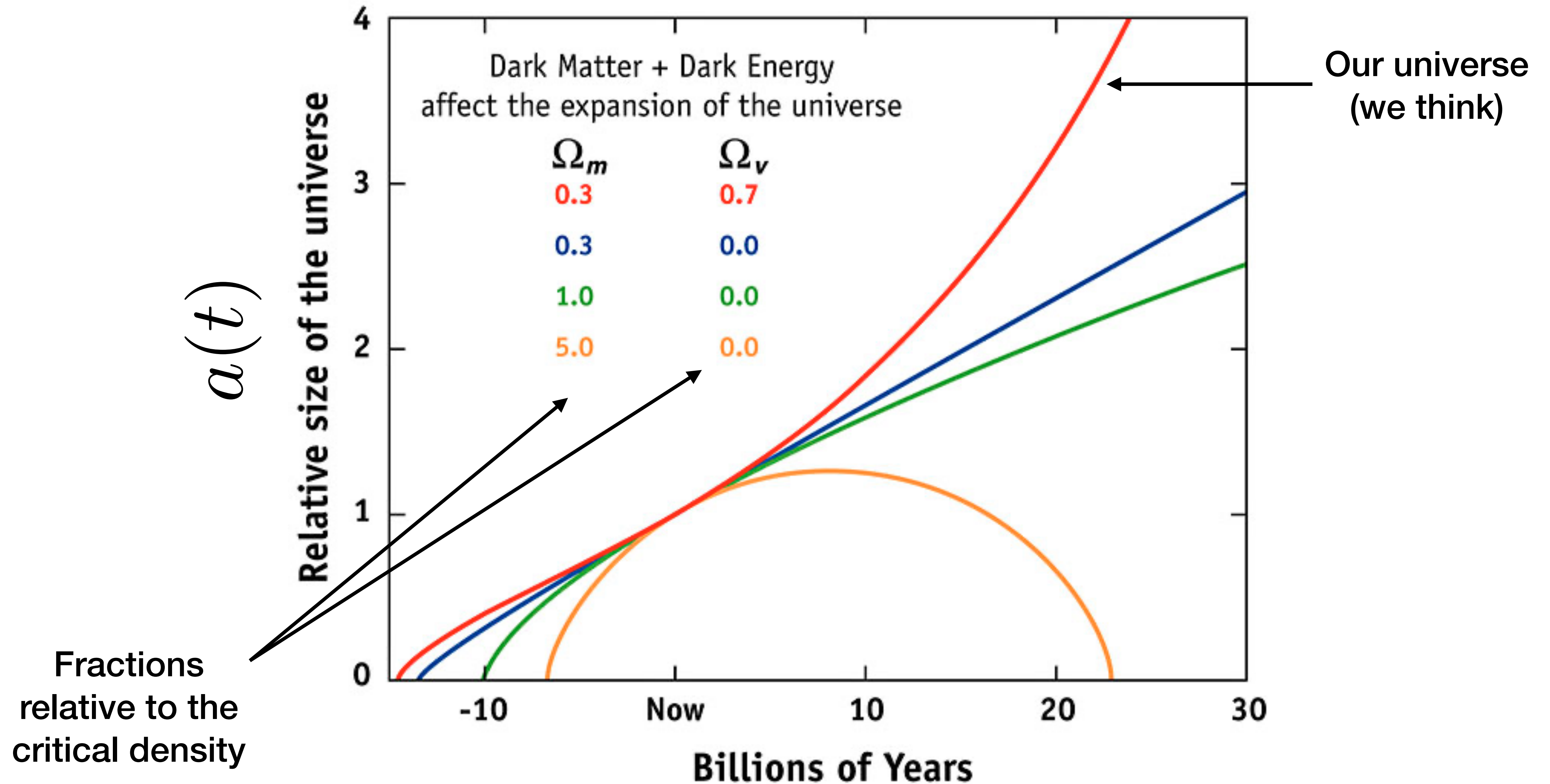
Hubble parameter
(Speed of expansion)

“Energy density”
(Sum of rest mass & KE of all
particles + radiation)

Possible Models of the Expanding Universe

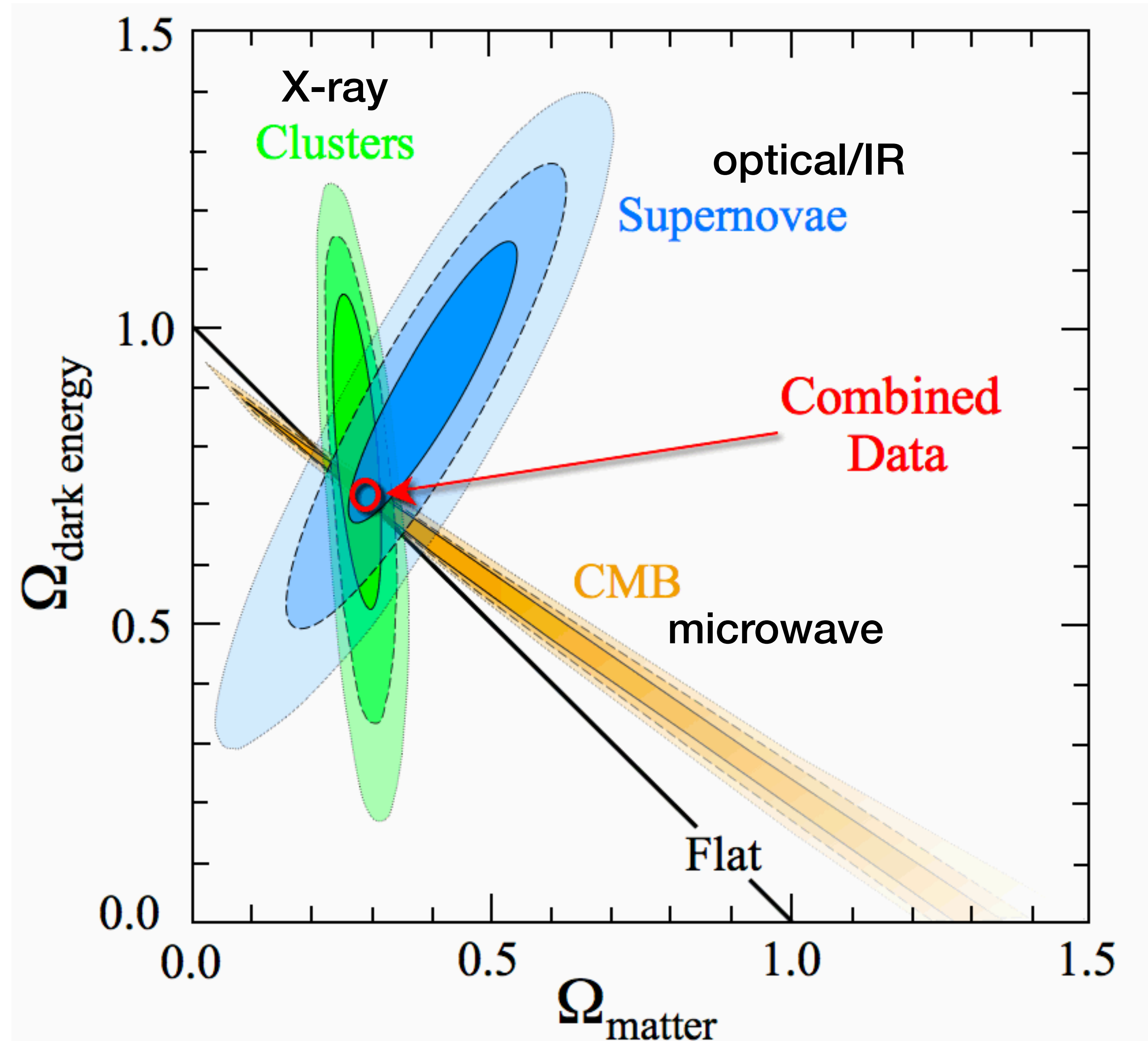


EXPANSION OF THE UNIVERSE

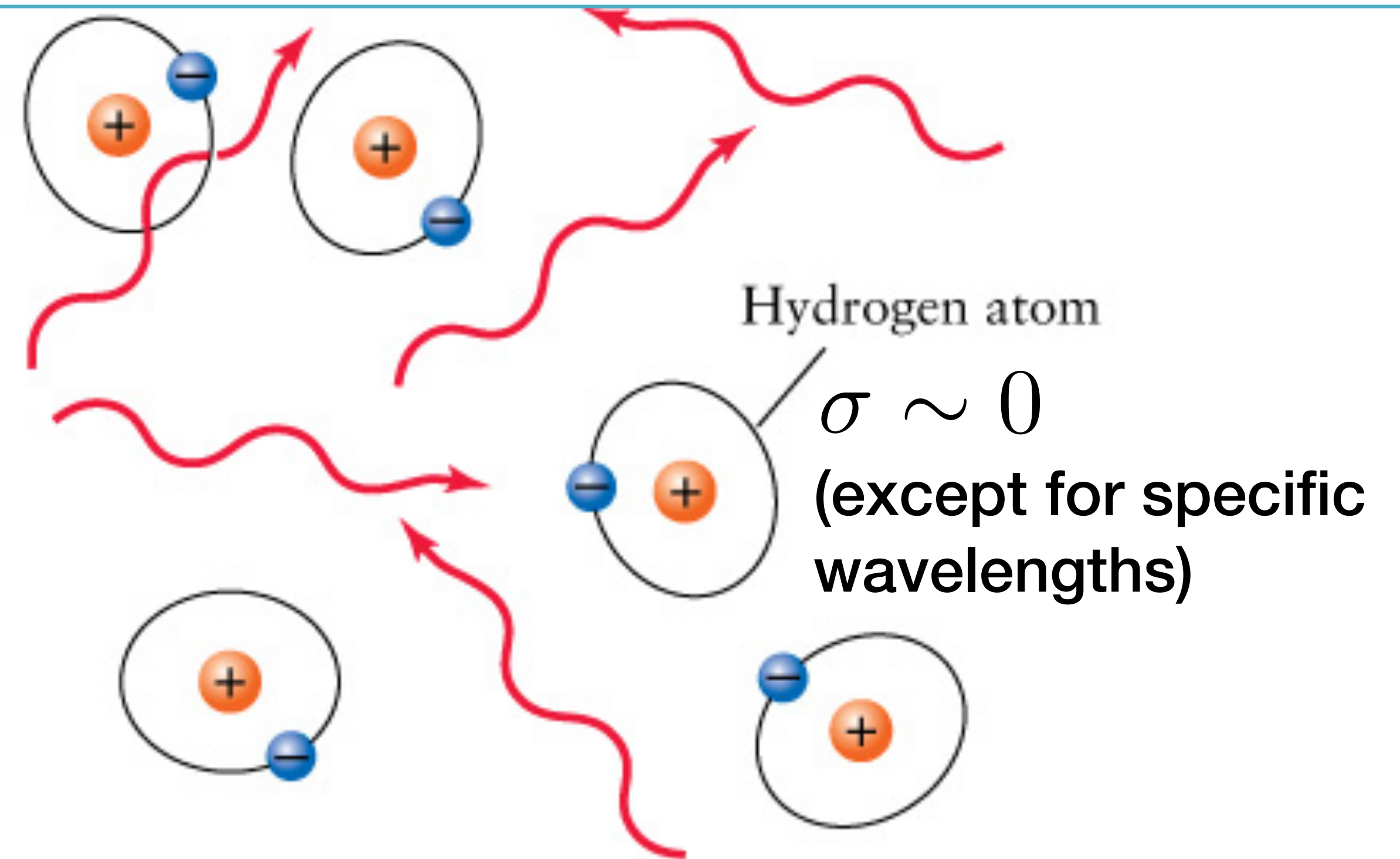
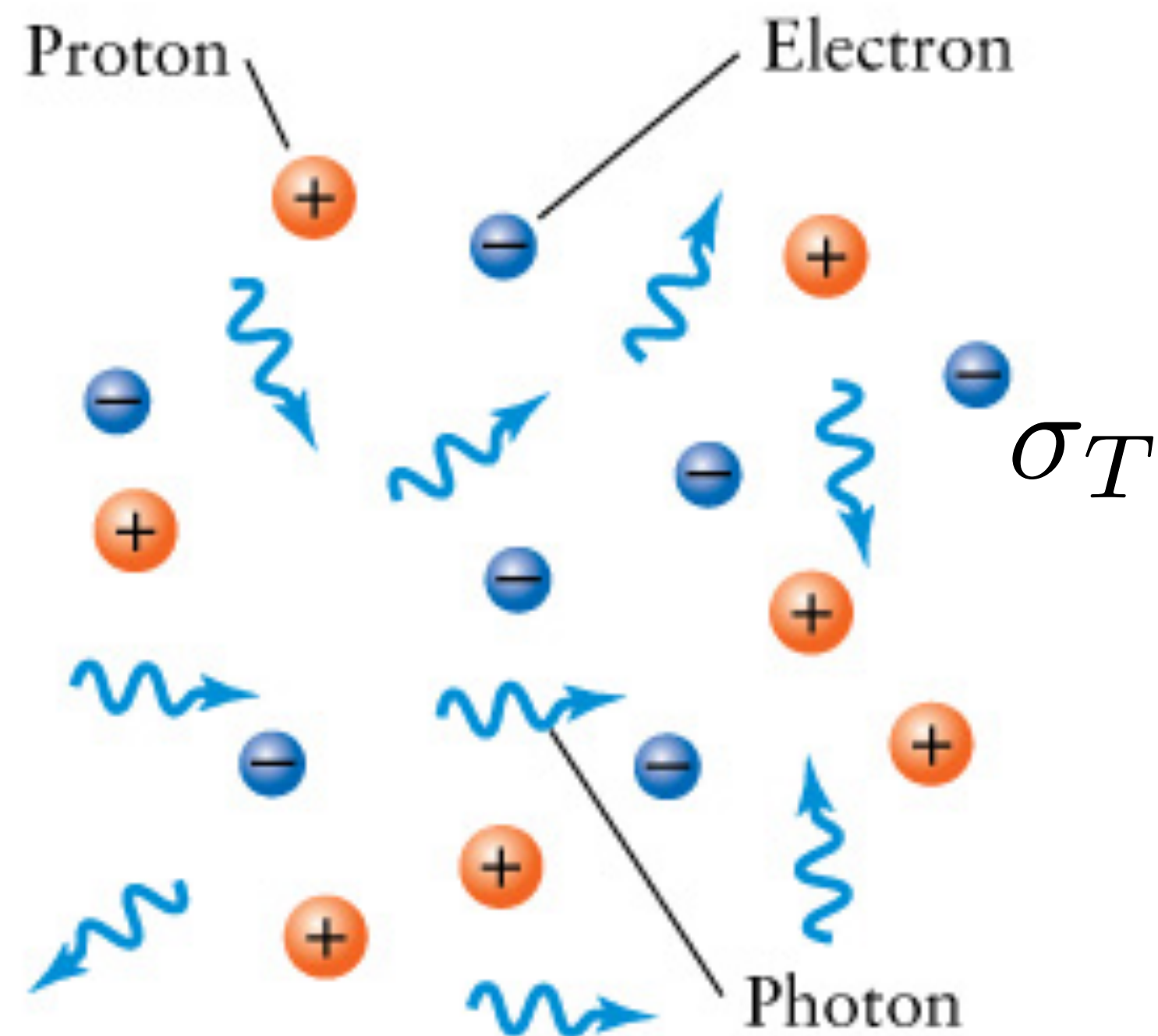


Many different kinds of observations agree

What happens if we roll back the clock to the early universe?



At some point in the past, universe so hot it is ionized → opaque



(a) Before recombination:

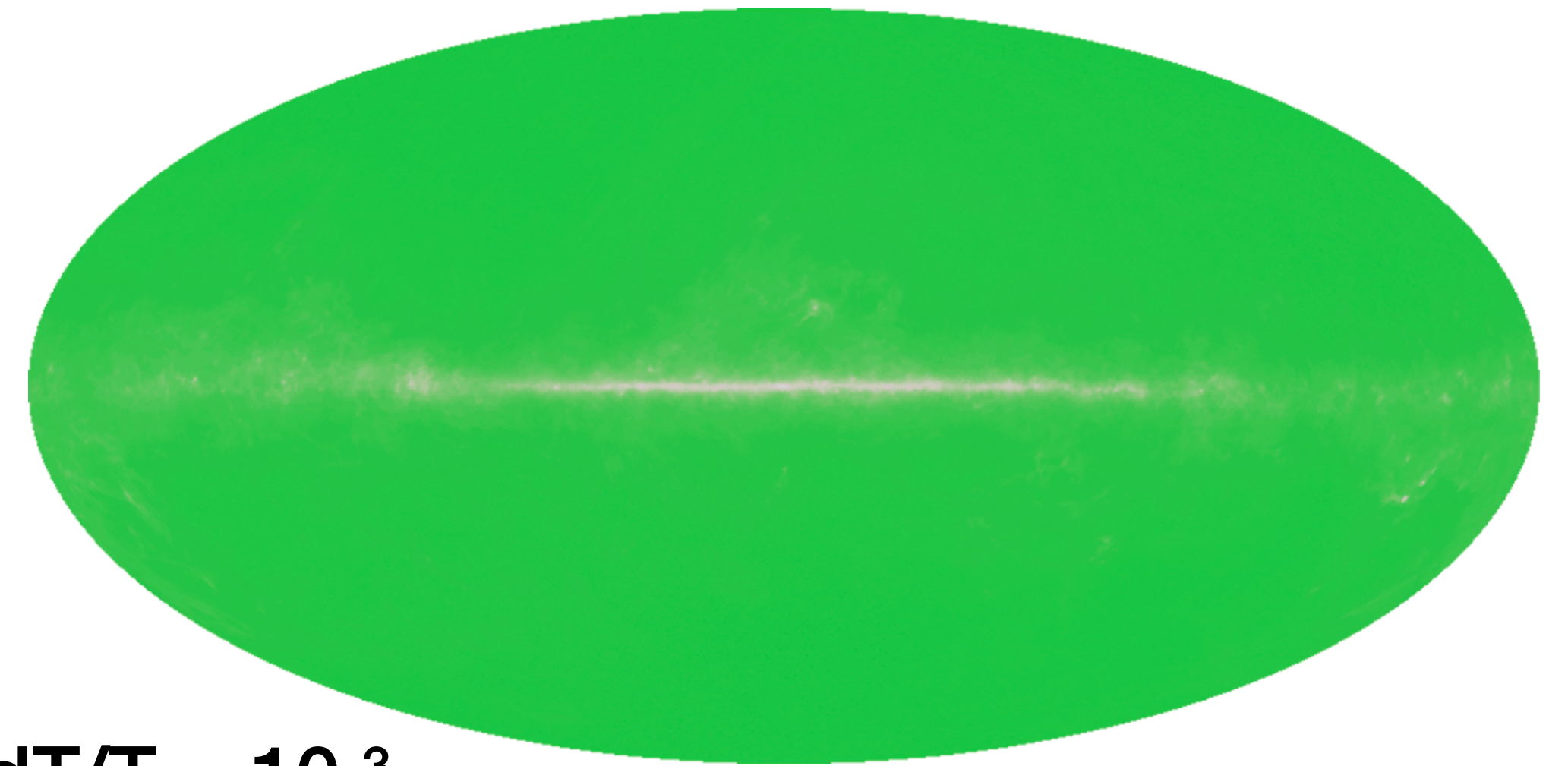
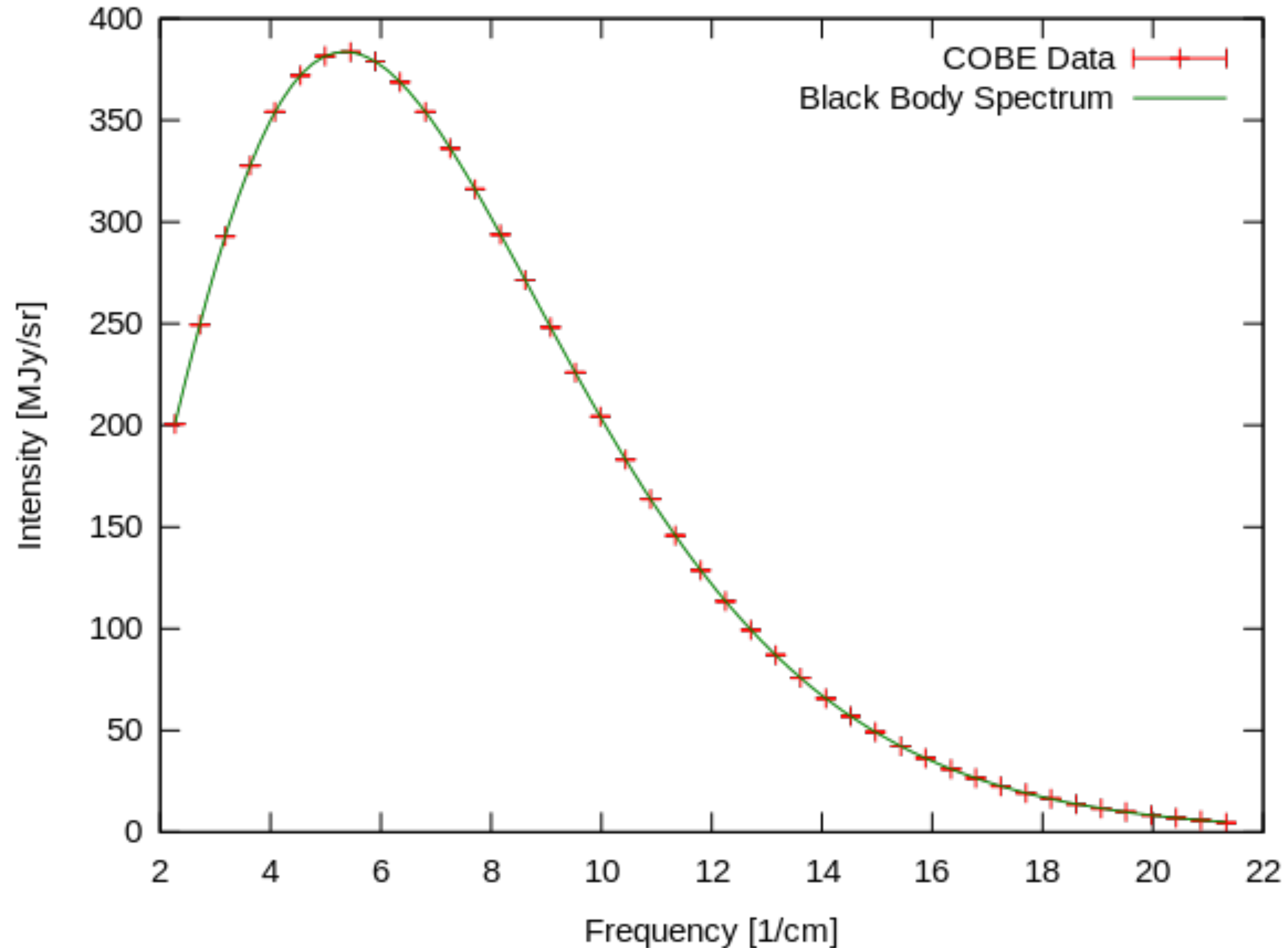
- Temperatures were so high that electrons and protons could not combine to form hydrogen atoms.
- The universe was opaque: Photons underwent frequent collisions with electrons.
- Matter and radiation were at the same temperature.

(b) After recombination:

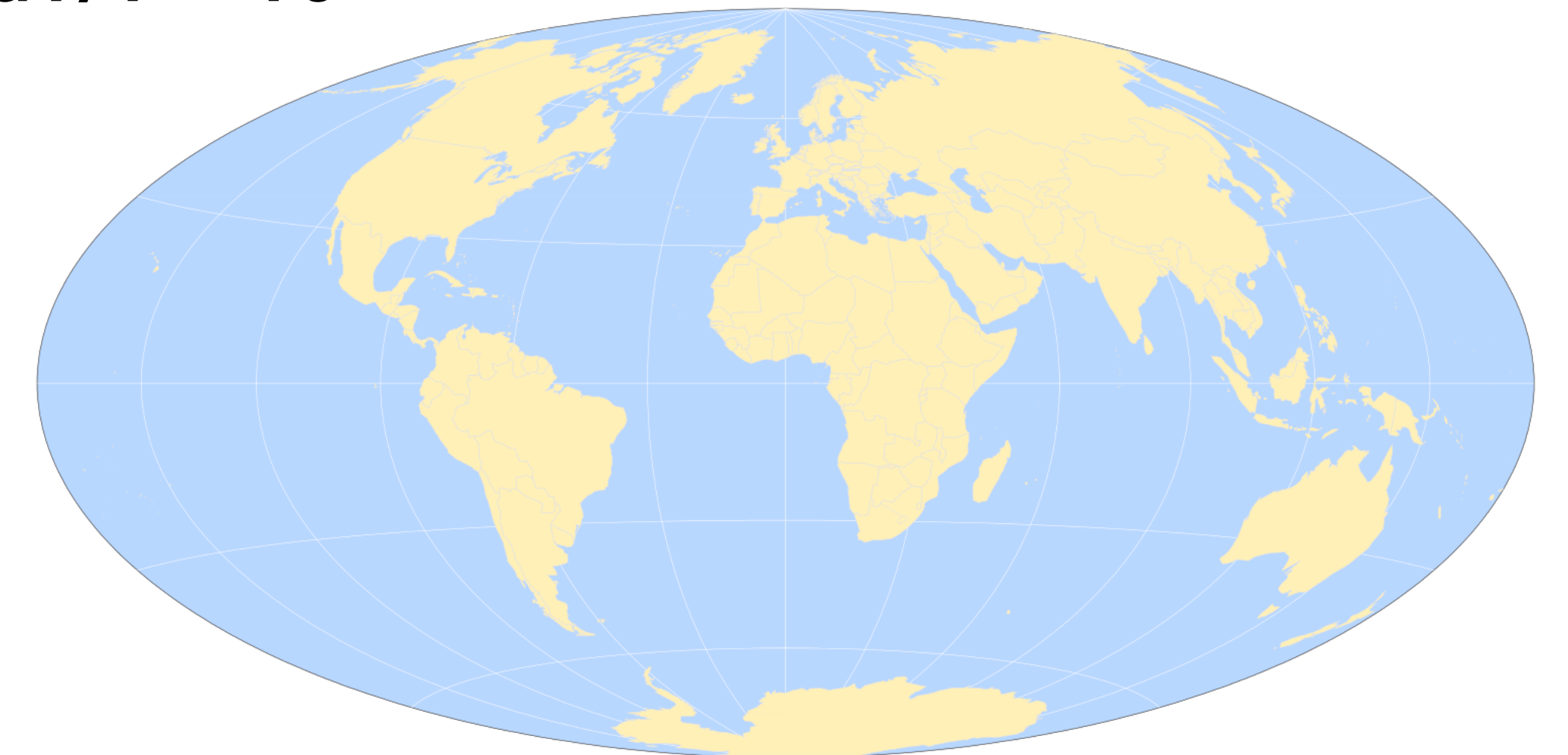
- Temperatures became low enough for hydrogen atoms to form.
- The universe became transparent: Collisions between photons and atoms became infrequent.
- Matter and radiation were no longer at the same temperature.

Near perfect BB everywhere on the sky

Cosmic Microwave Background Spectrum from COBE



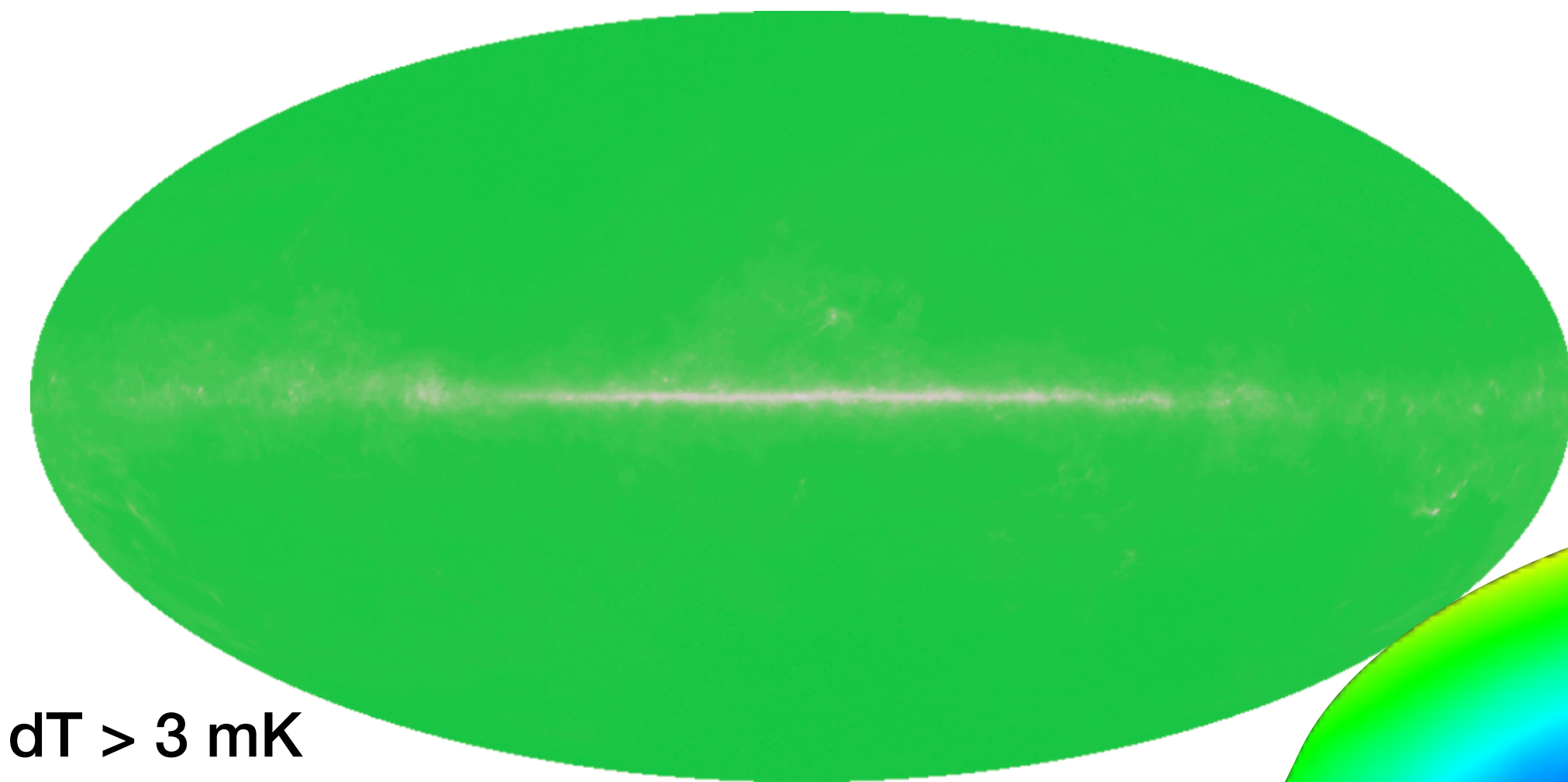
$dT/T \sim 10^{-3}$



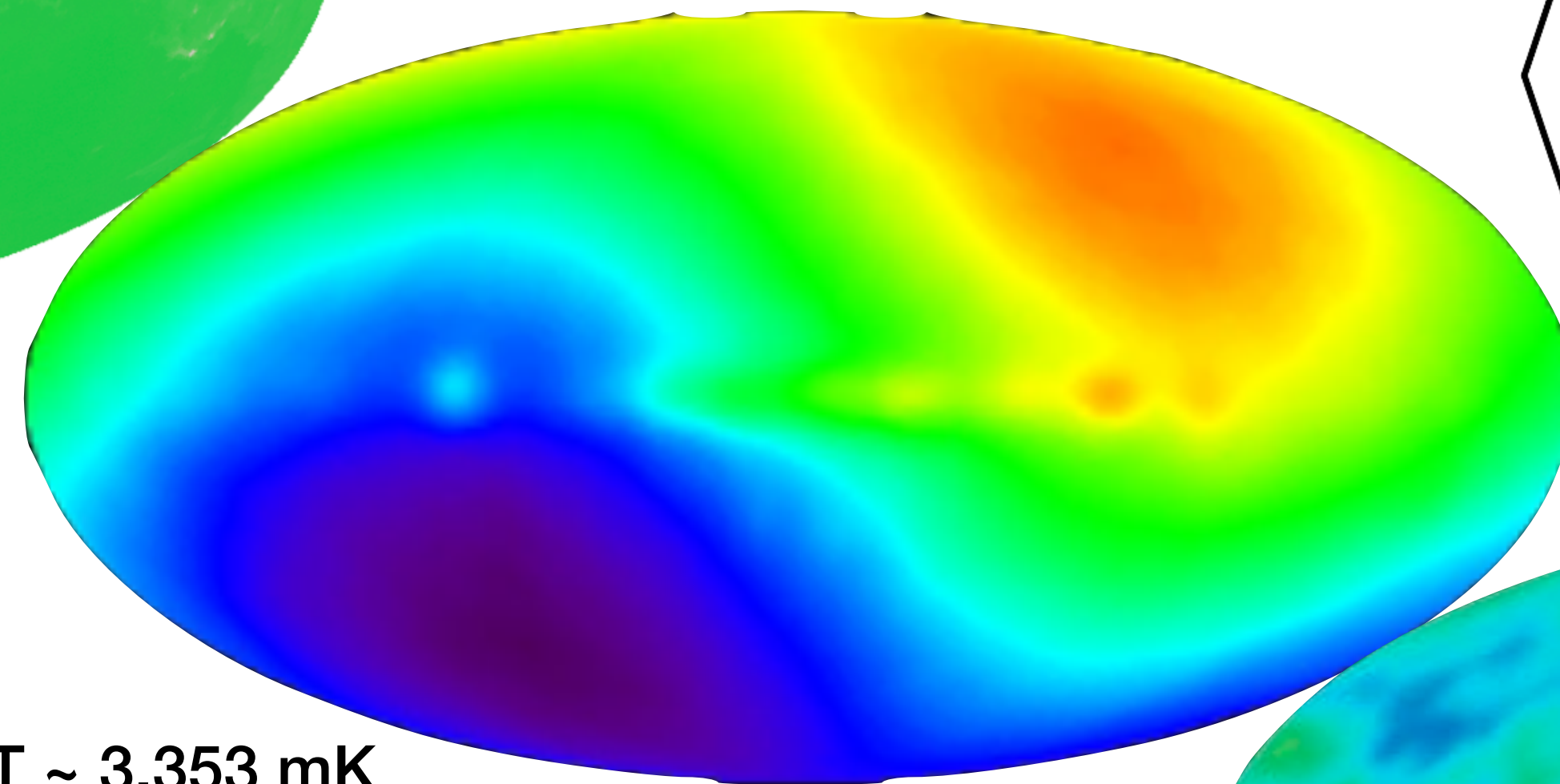
Spatial variations on different scales

$$\frac{\delta T}{T}(\theta, \phi) \equiv \frac{T(\theta, \phi) - \langle T \rangle}{T}$$

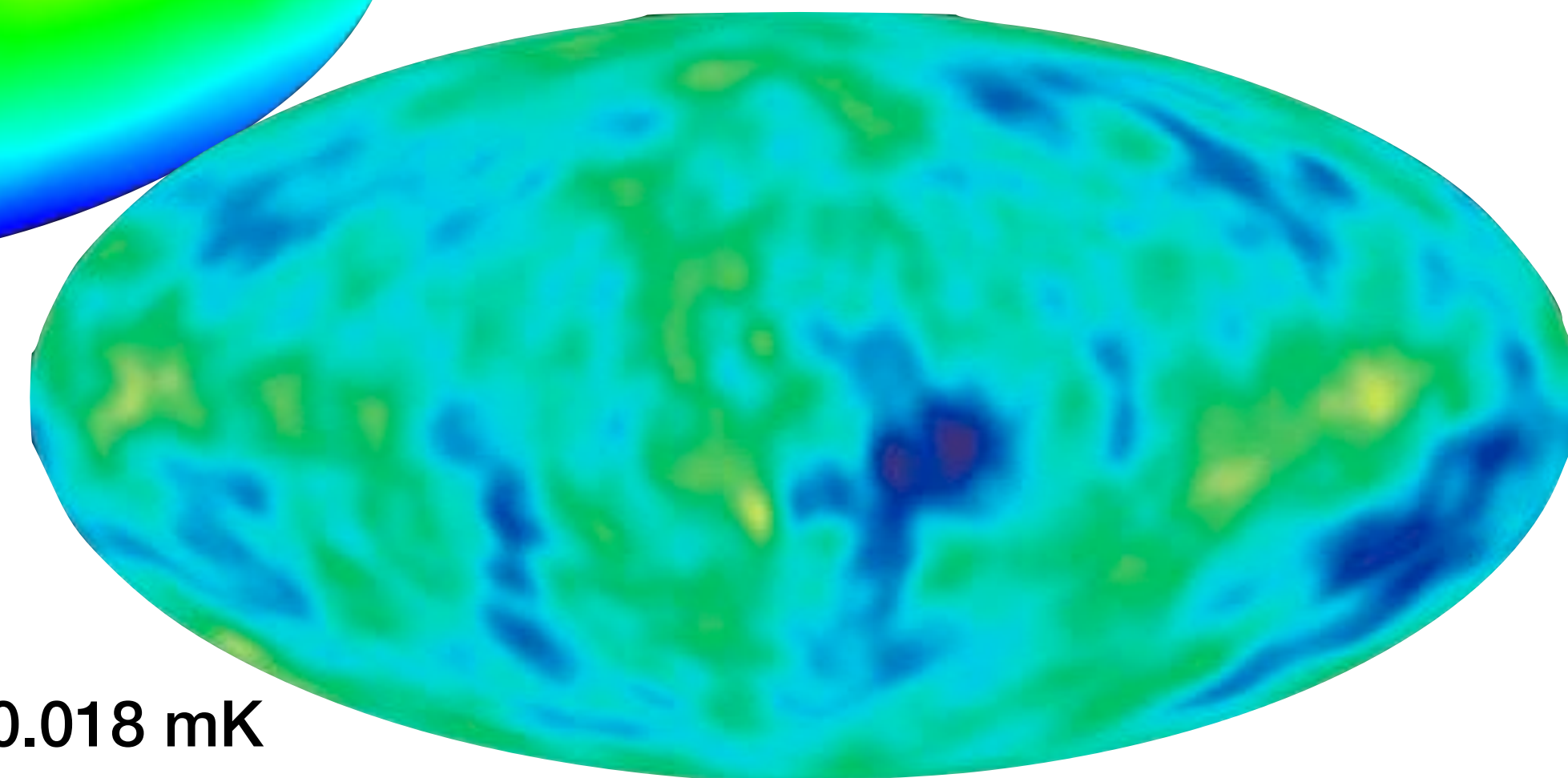
$$\left\langle \left(\frac{\delta T}{T} \right)^2 \right\rangle^{1/2} = 1.1 \times 10^{-5}$$



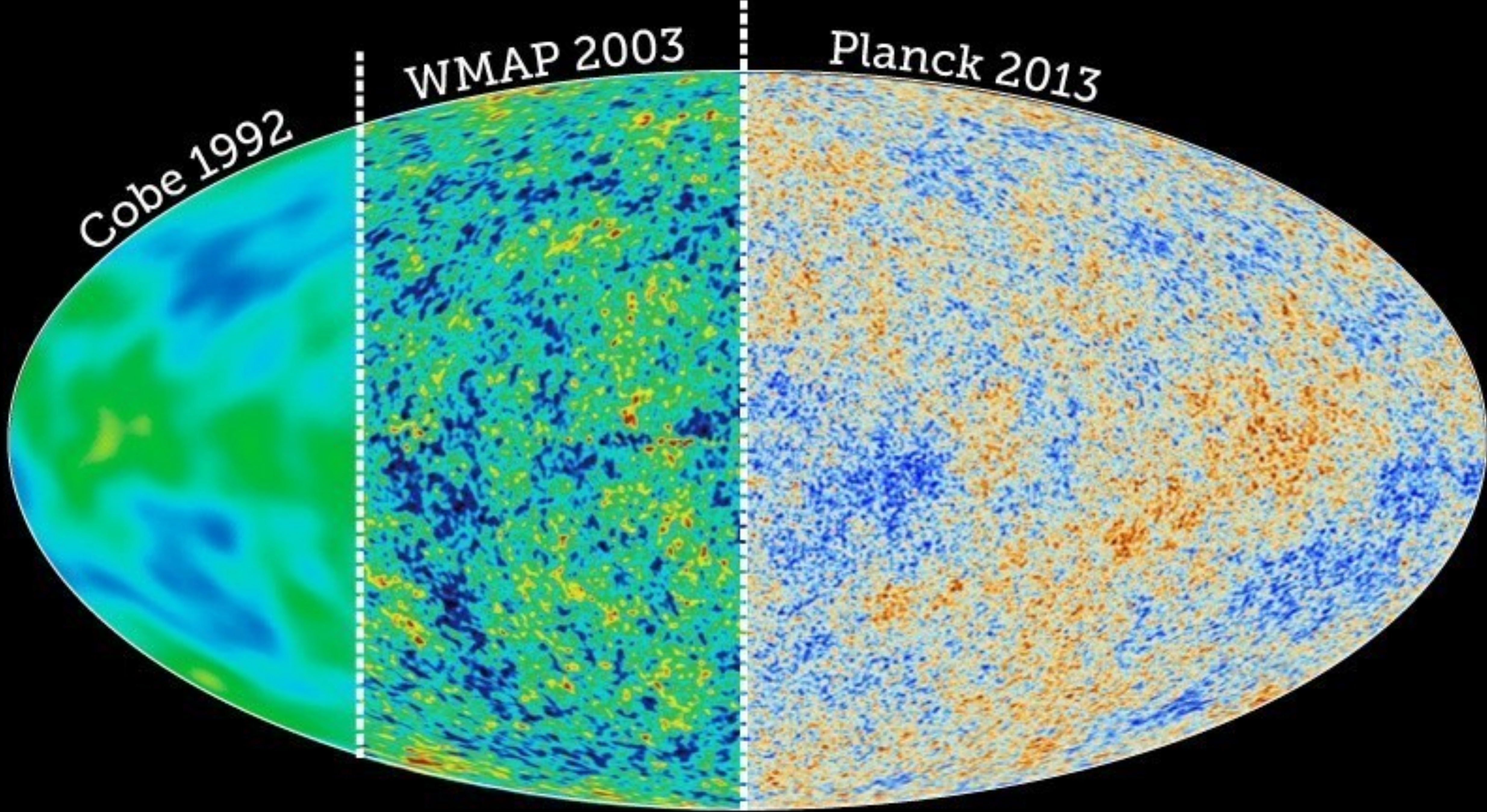
dT > 3 mK

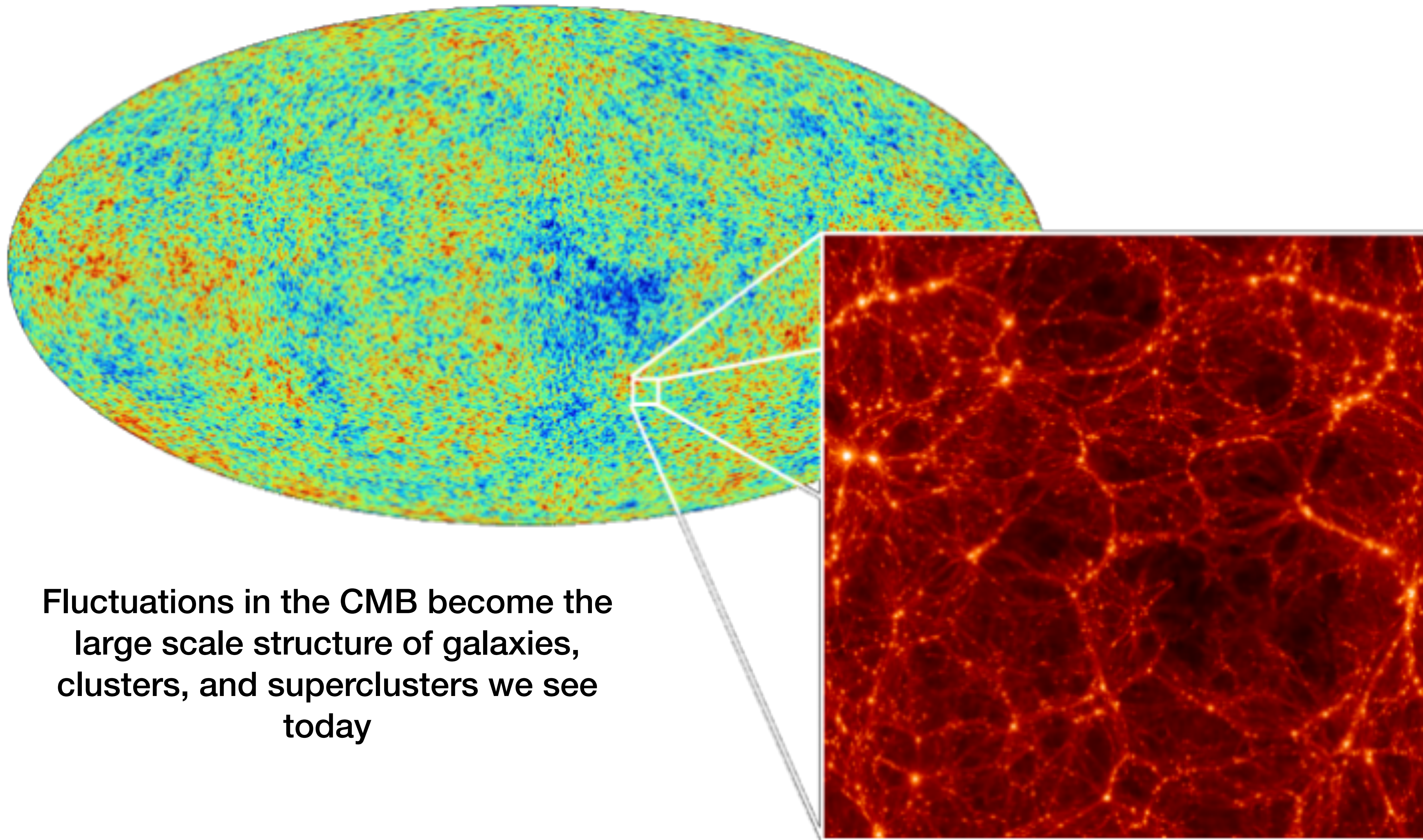


dT ~ 3.353 mK



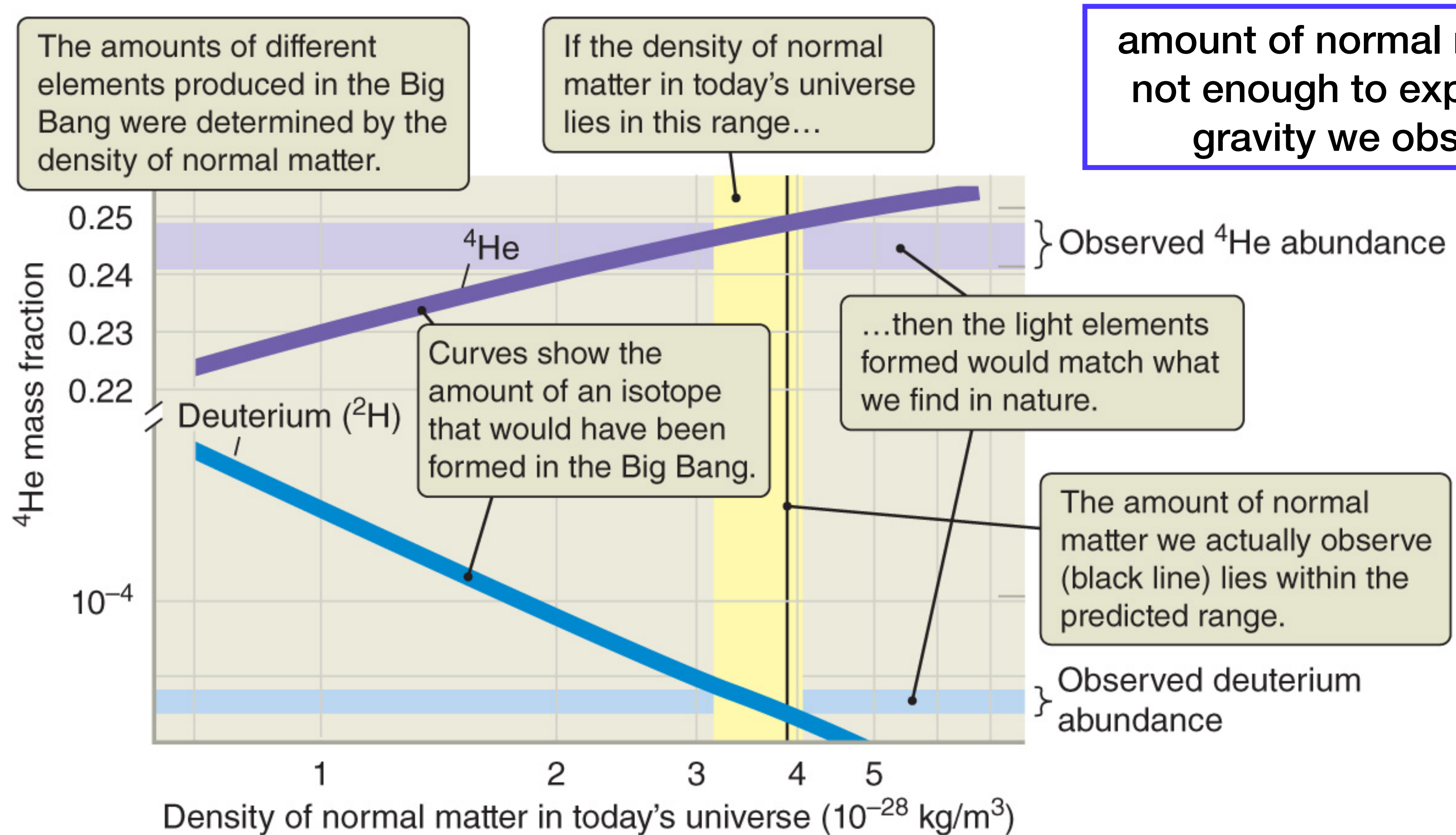
dT ~ 0.018 mK



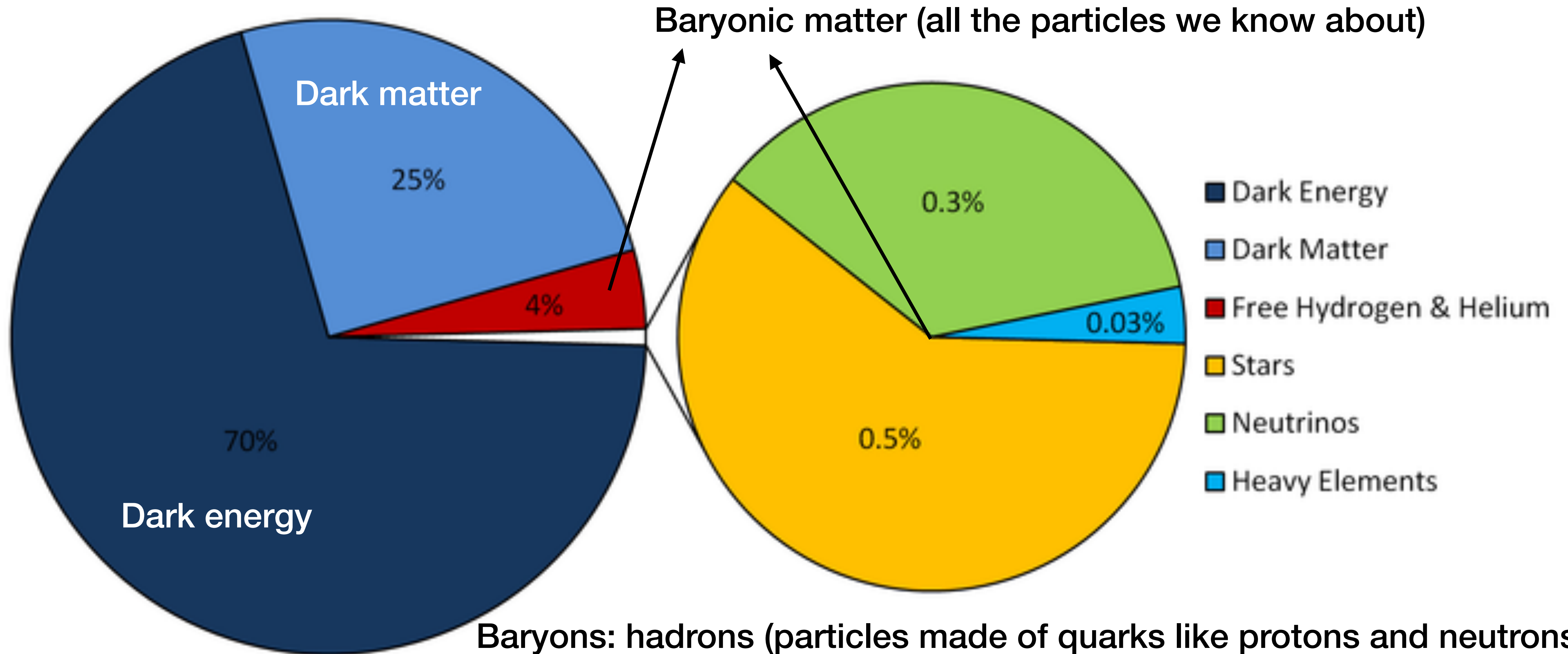


Fluctuations in the CMB become the large scale structure of galaxies, clusters, and superclusters we see today

Go further back, hot enough for $H \rightarrow He$ fusion

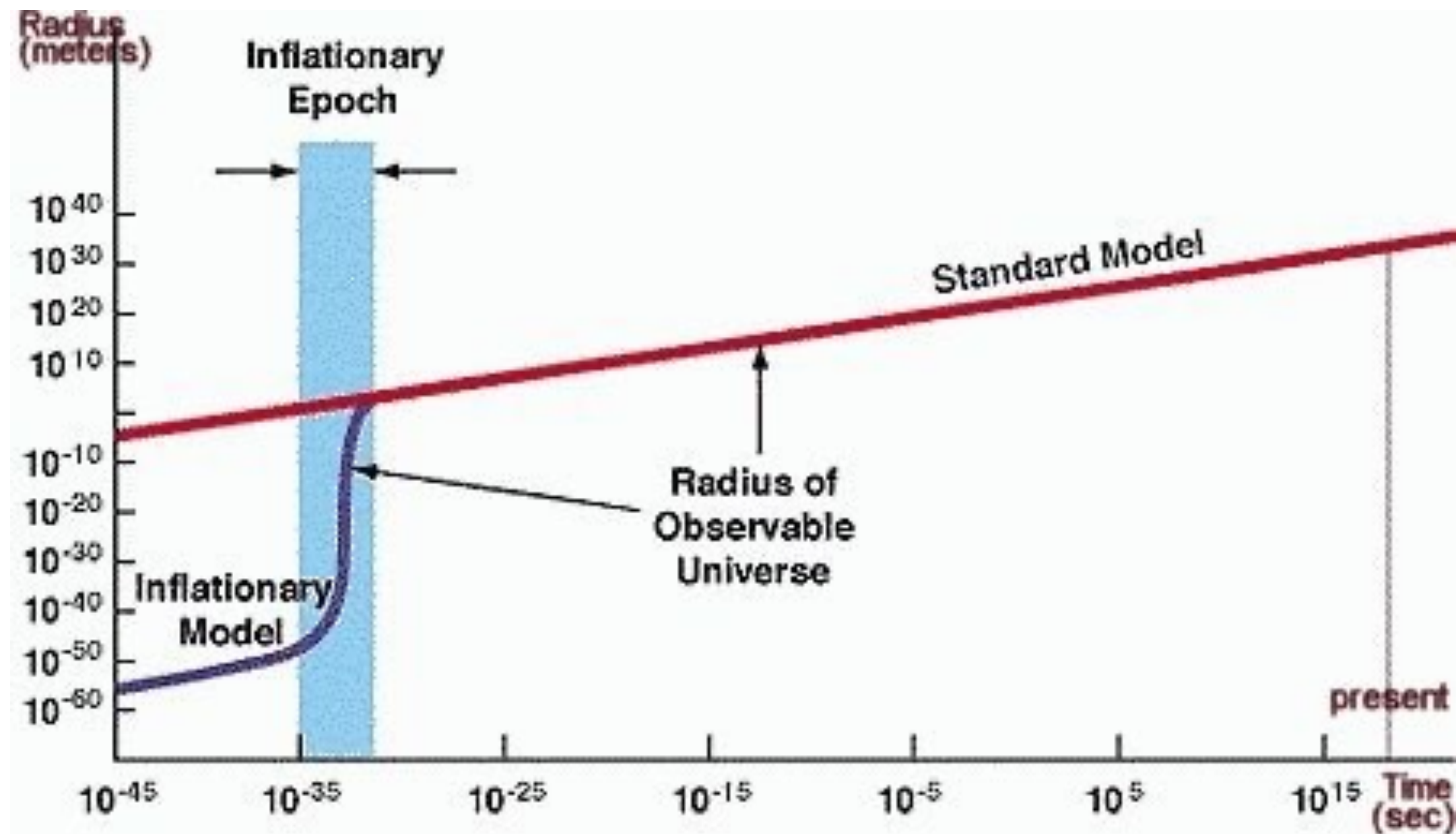


Relative Contents of the Universe

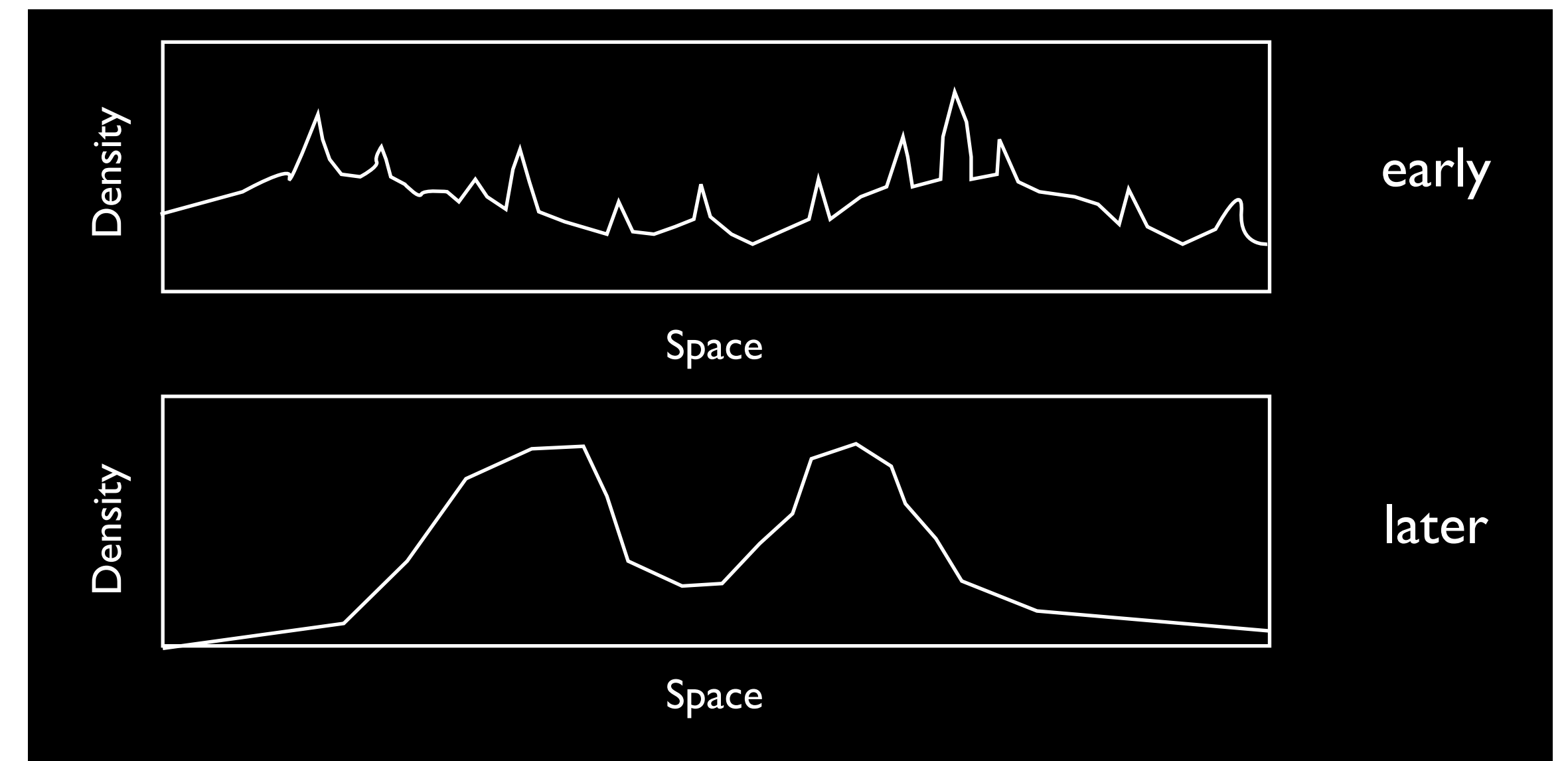


Baryons: hadrons (particles made of quarks like protons and neutrons)
Leptons: lighter particles not made of quarks, including electrons

Way further back: origin of structure (inflation?)



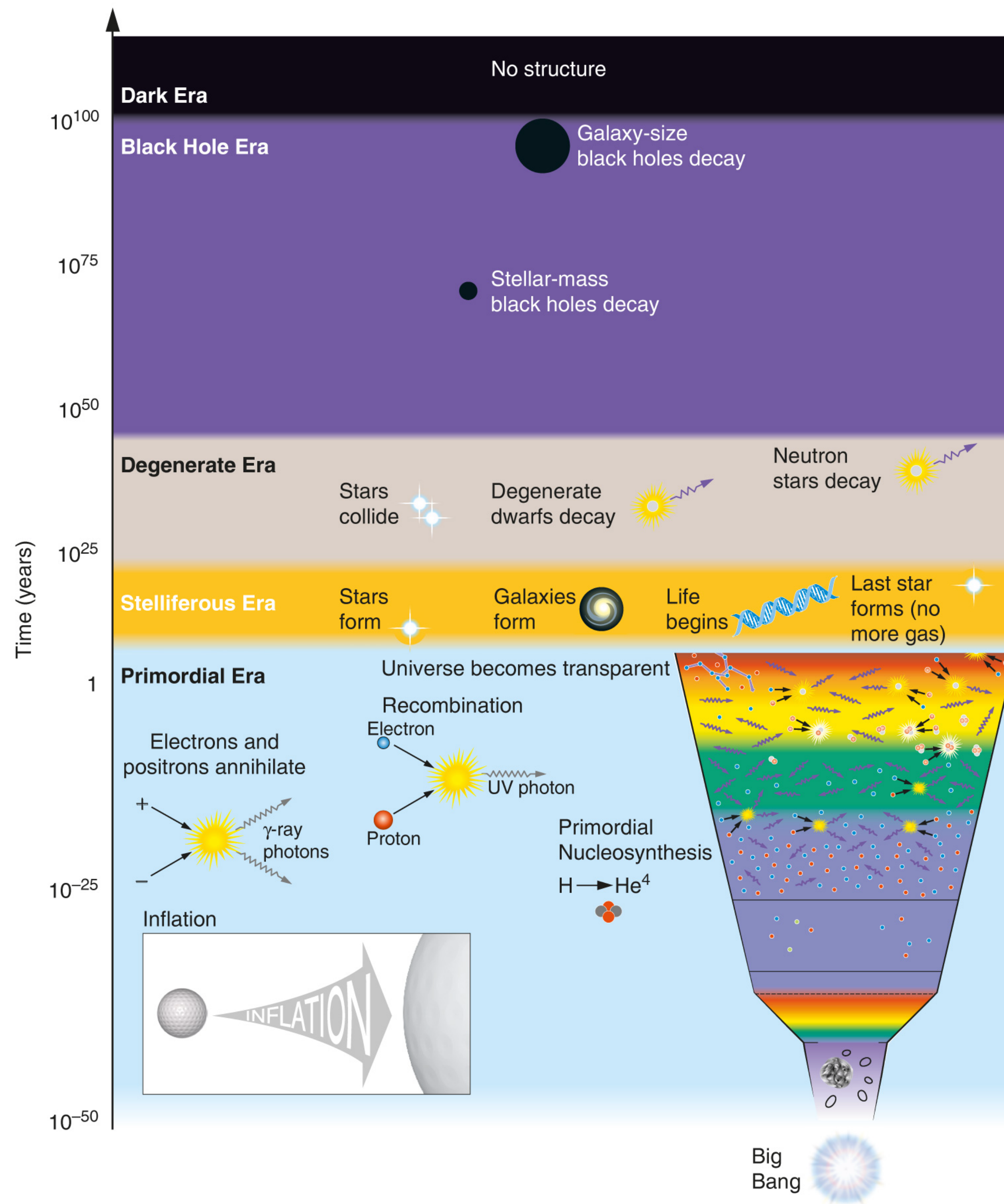
Initial quantum density perturbations amplified by Inflation after the Big Bang.



Called Hierarchical Structure Formation

The Deep Future (maybe?)

((This scenario assumes protons decay))



Primordial Era	10^5 yr
Stelliferous Era	10^{14} yr
Degenerate Era	10^{39} yr
Black Hole Era	10^{100} yr
Dark Era	infinity?