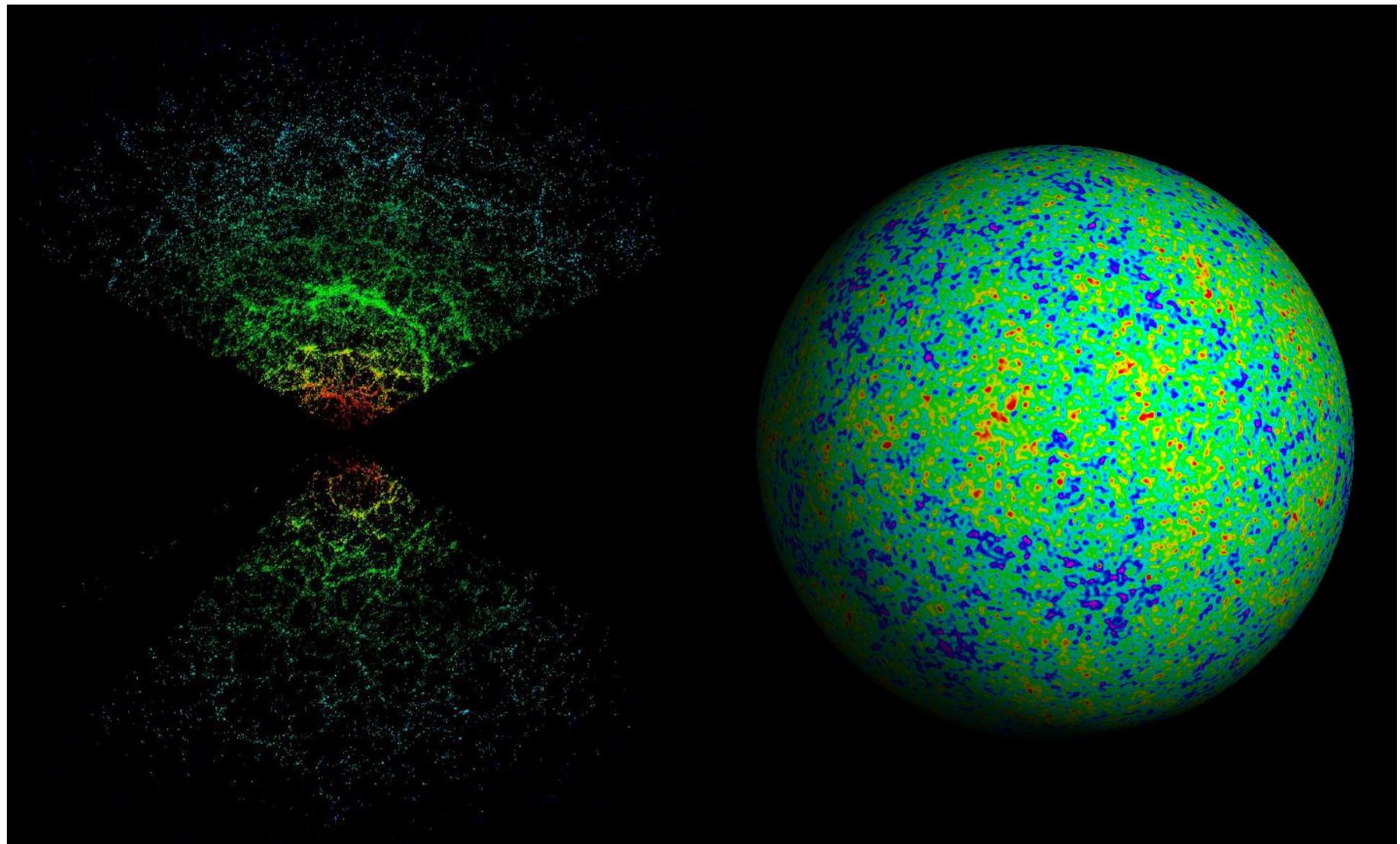
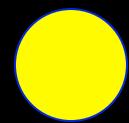


# The History of the Universe in One Hour

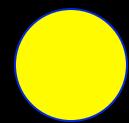


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# OUR PLACE IN SPACE

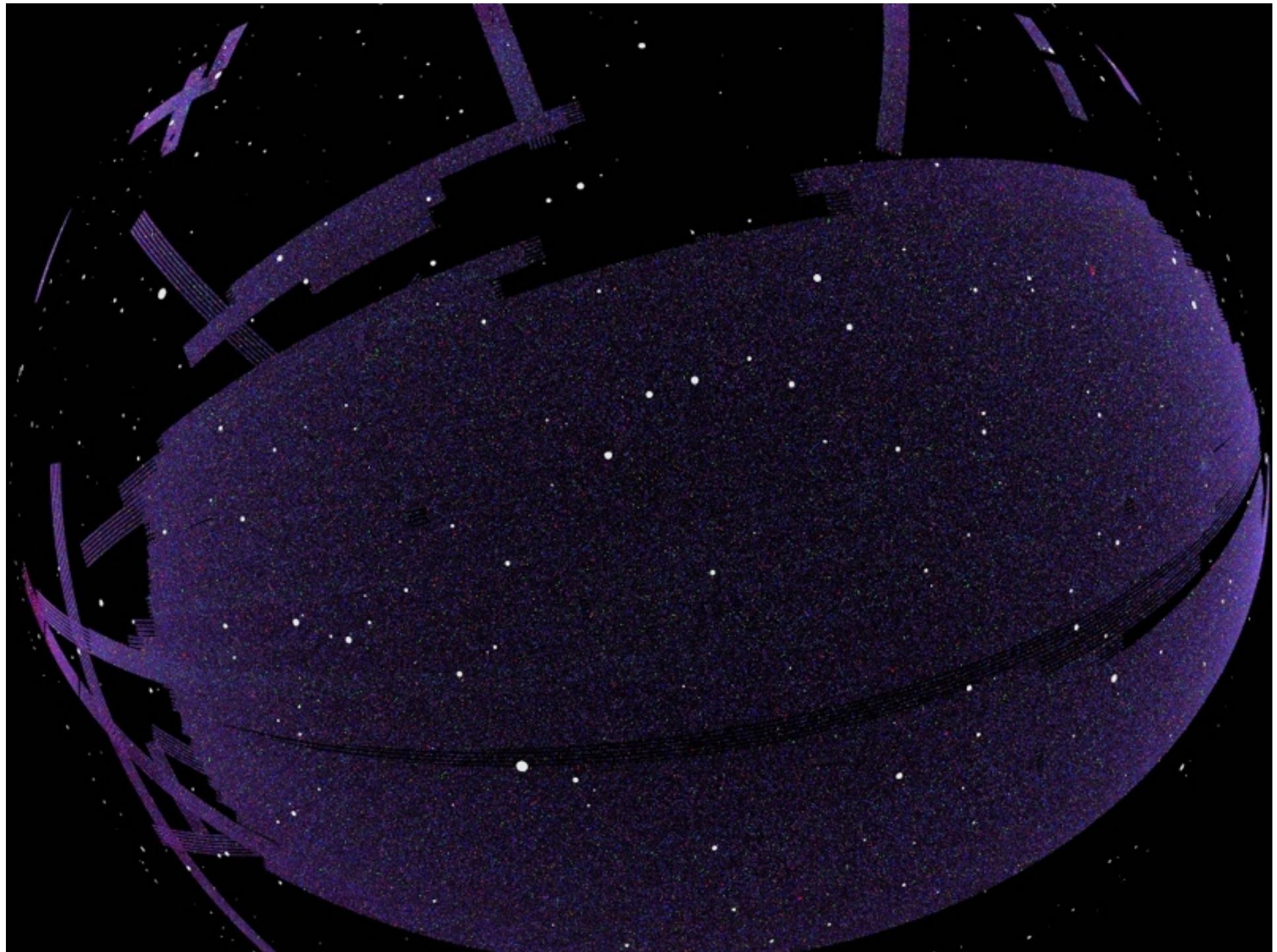


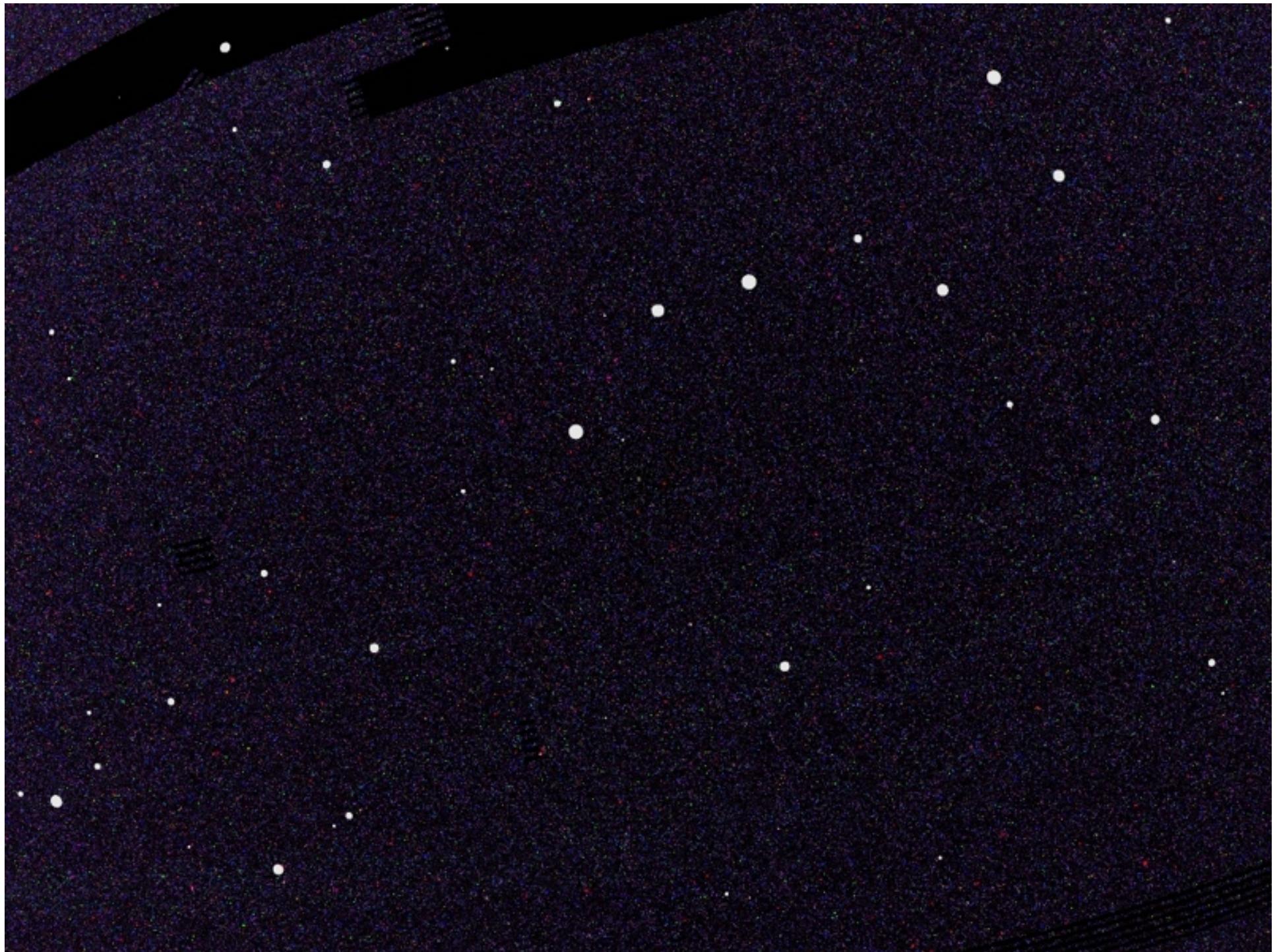
GE Zoomout



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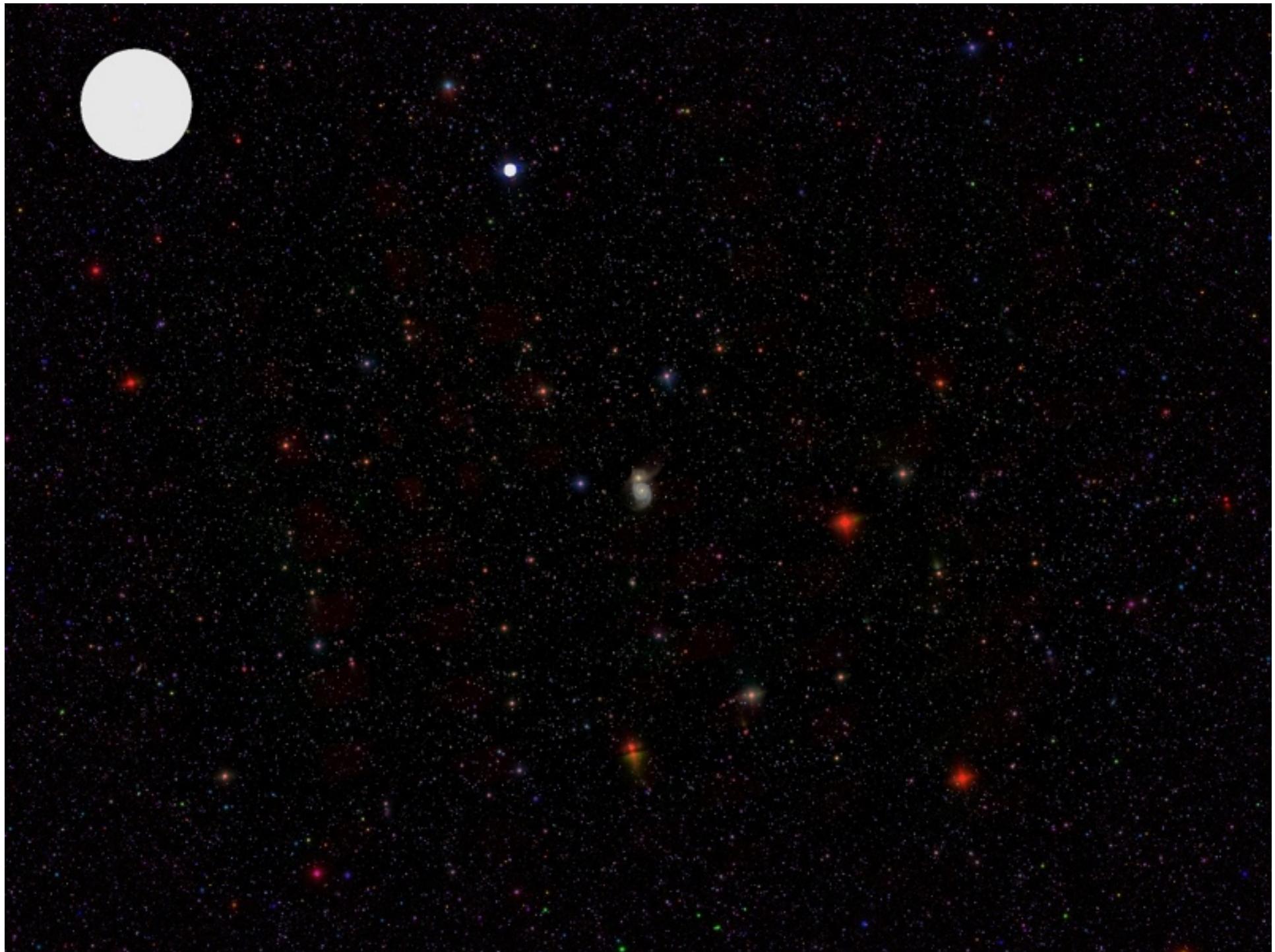


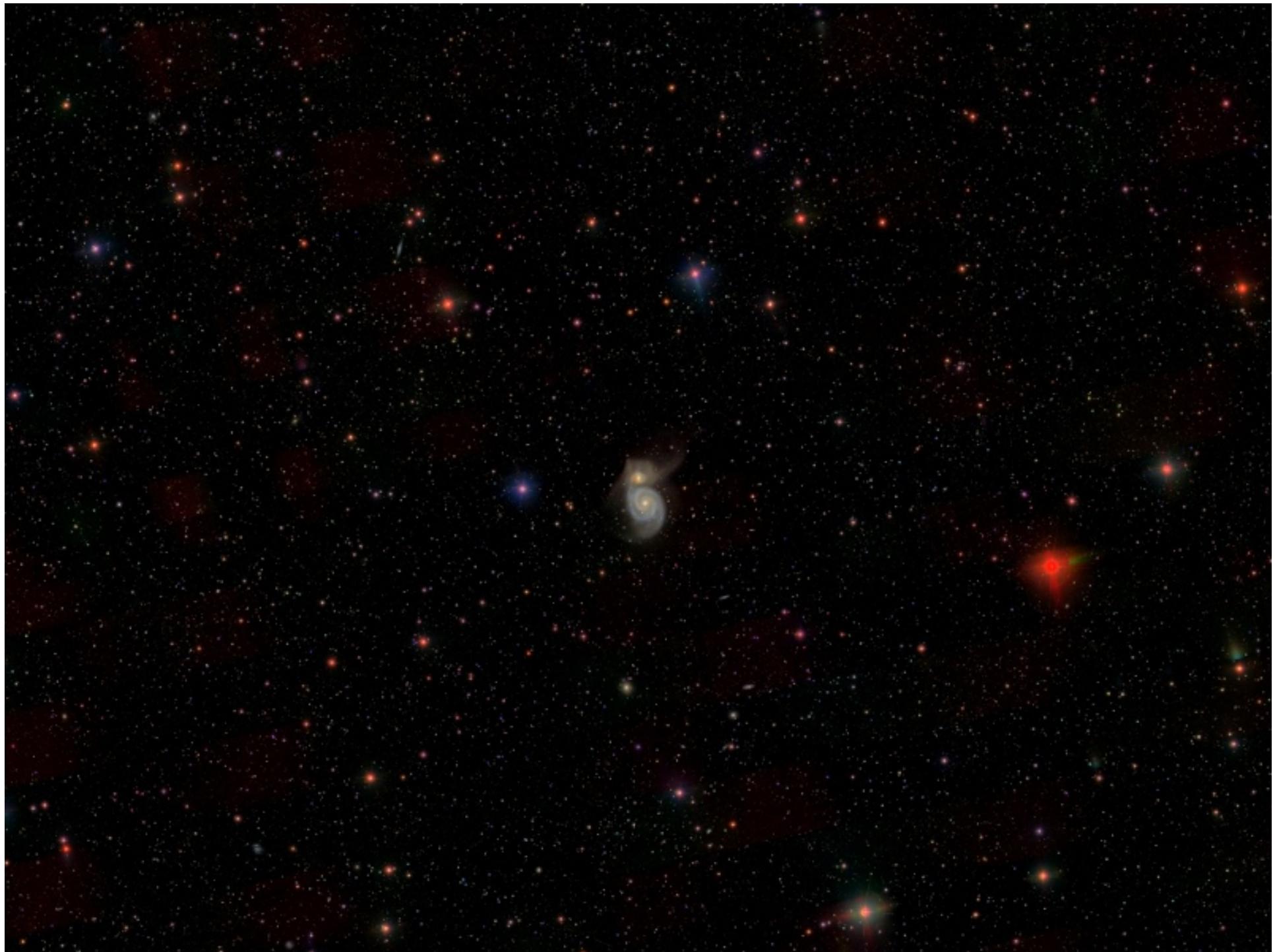












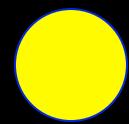












SDSS movie  
from MW

**OUR PLACE IN  
TIME**

The sky as a time machine

Hubble Ultra Deep Field

HST • ACS



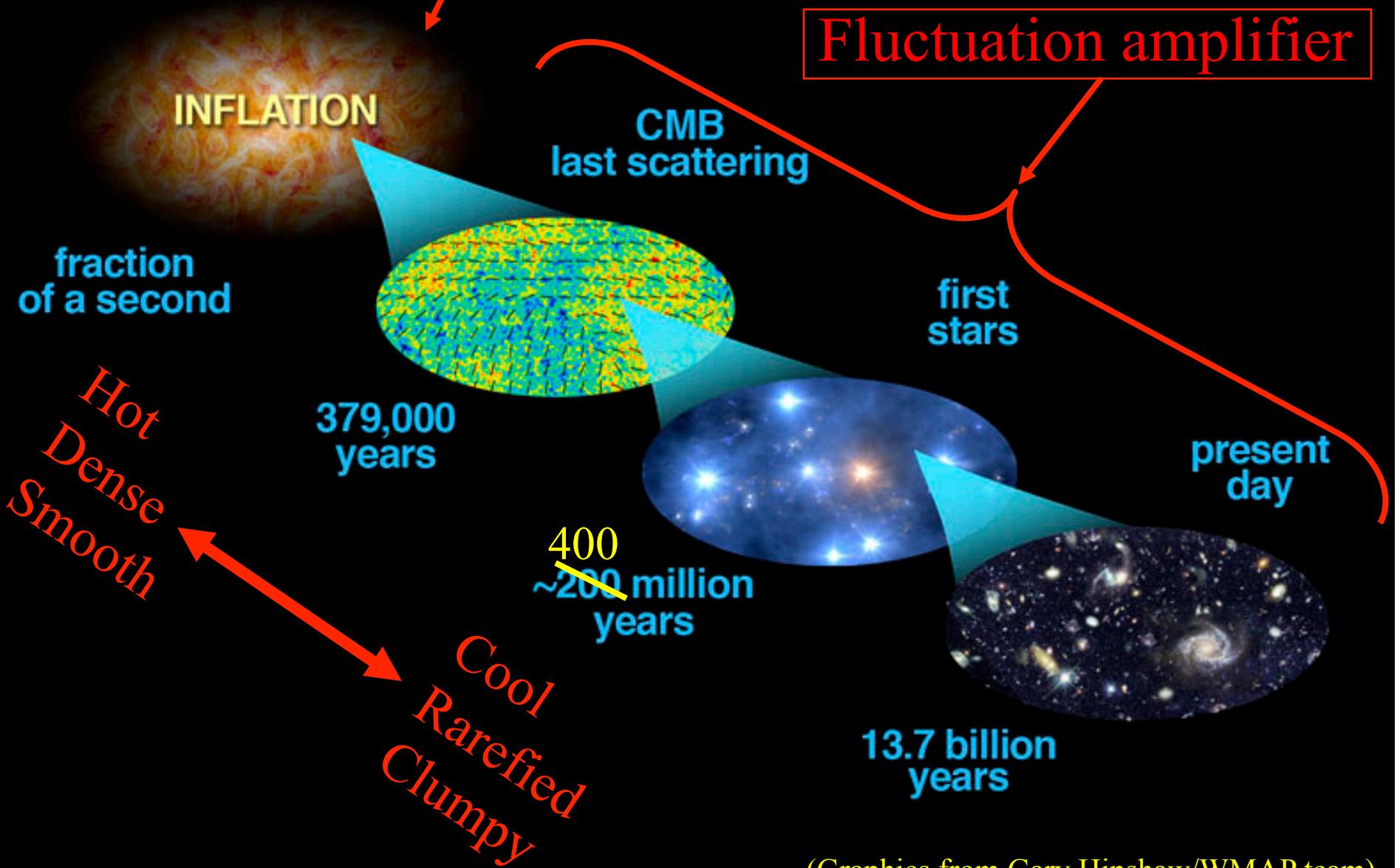
NASA, ESA, S. Beckwith (STScI) and The HUDF Team

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# Brief History of our Universe

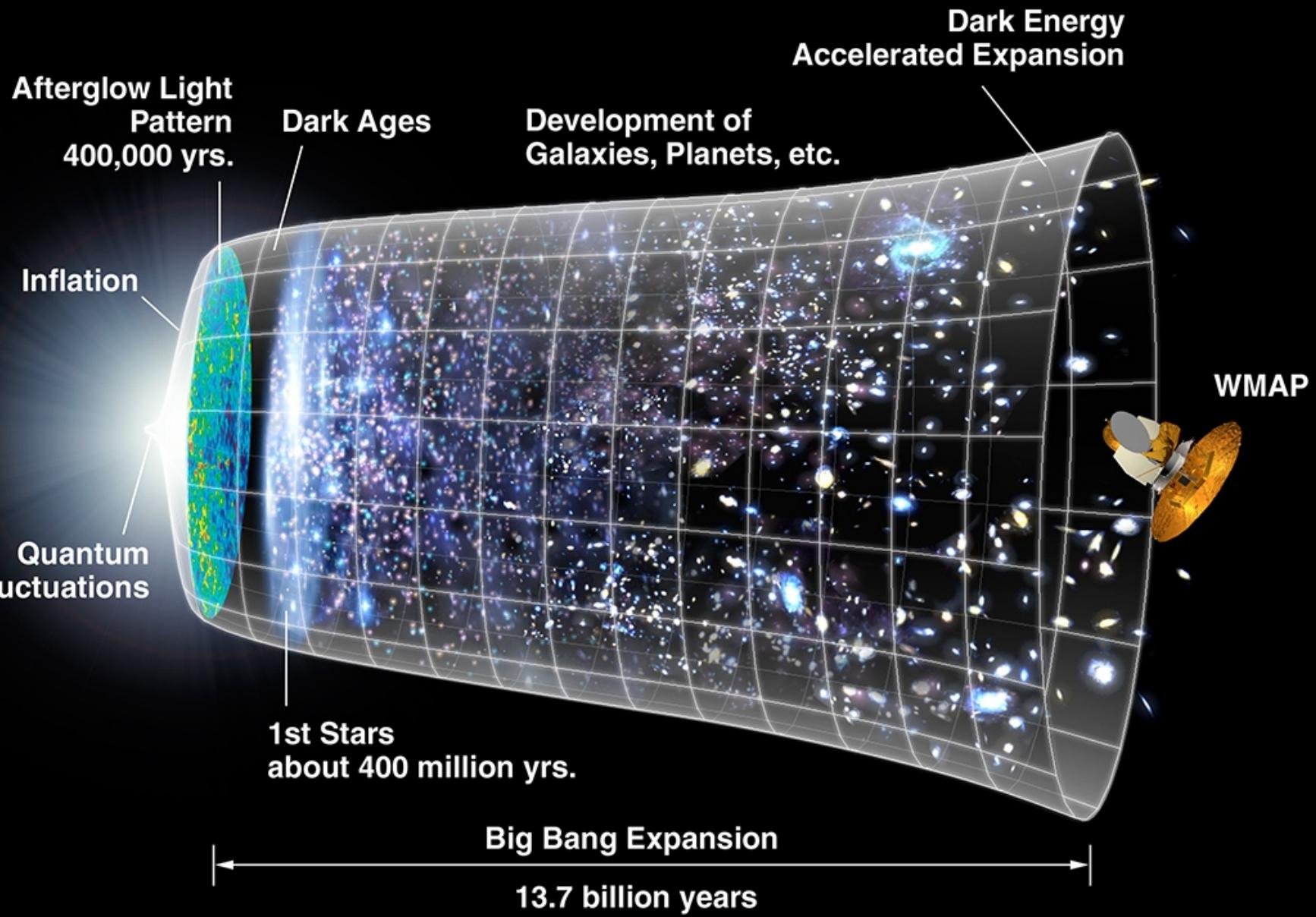
Fluctuation generator

Fluctuation amplifier



(Graphics from Gary Hinshaw/WMAP team)

Figure from WMAP team





Formation movies

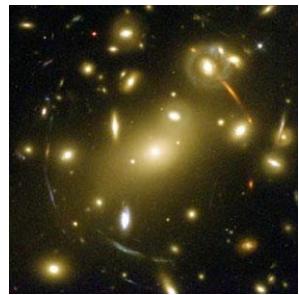


**Big Bang Theory,**  
You've Got To Be Kidding.

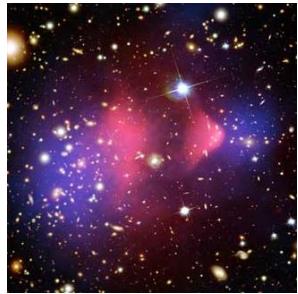
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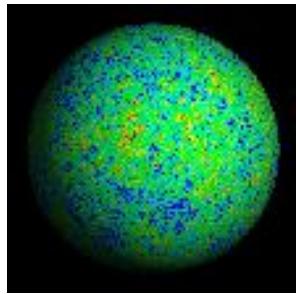
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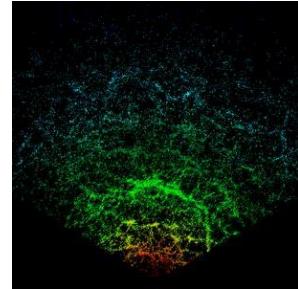
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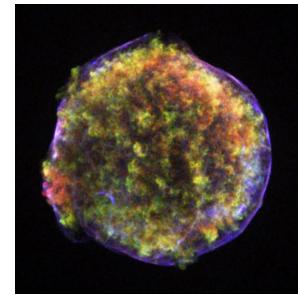
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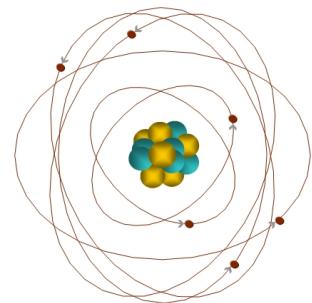
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background



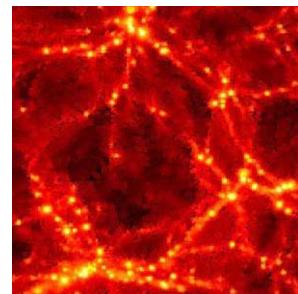
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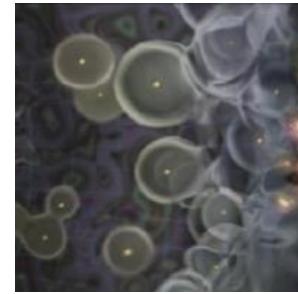
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Big Bang  
nucleosynthesis



Lyman  $\alpha$  forest

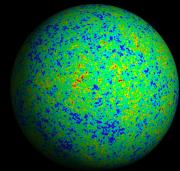


Neutral hydrogen  
tomography

## THE COSMIC SMÖRGÅSBORD

## Evidence for Big Bang:

- Observed galaxy recession (Hubble's law)



- Existence of CMB

- Correct predictions of big bang nucleosynthesis

- Darkness of night sky! (Olber)

- Distant objects look younger

**Evidence for *what*, exactly?**

*Plenty enough bang  
for most people to  
call “big”...*

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

# EVIDENCE:

The Universe is  
expanding!

$$v = Hr$$



Alexander  
Friedmann

1888-1925

(Russian; 1922  
paper)

MIT PhD!



George Lemaître 1894-1936  
(Belgian; indep. 1927 paper)



Arthur Geoffrey  
Walker 1909-?

(British; 1935 paper  
with H P Robertson  
showed that **FLRW**  
metric is *only*  
homogeneous &  
isotropic metric)



Edwin Hubble 1889-  
(American; 1930 paper)

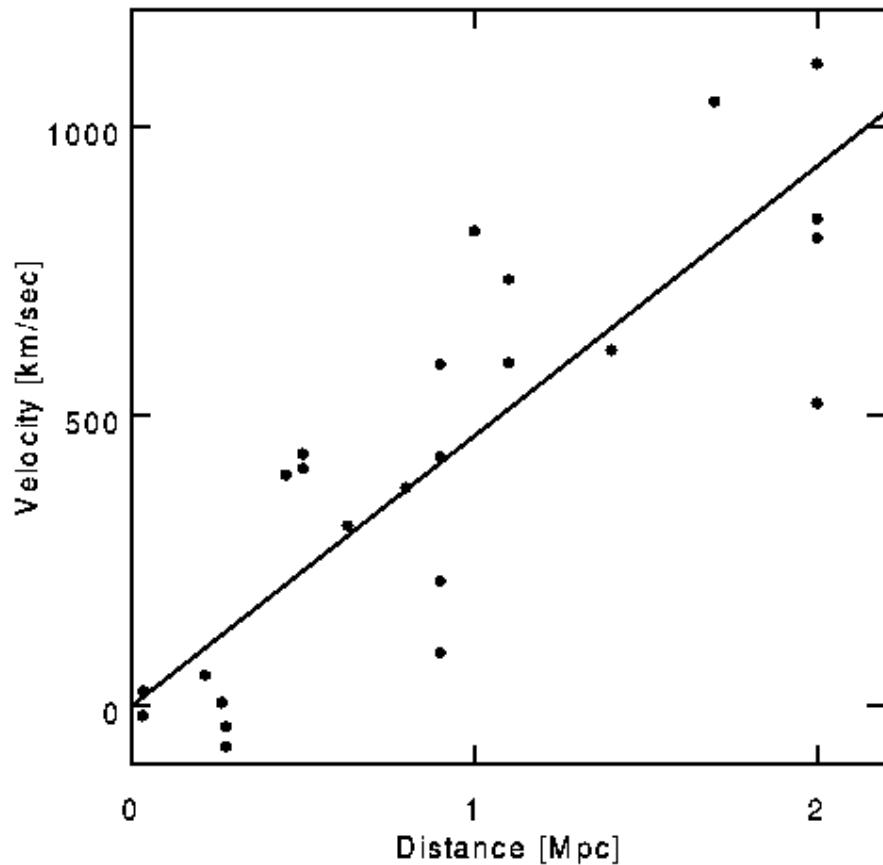


Carnegie Institute of Washington

Mt. Wilson Observatory 1931

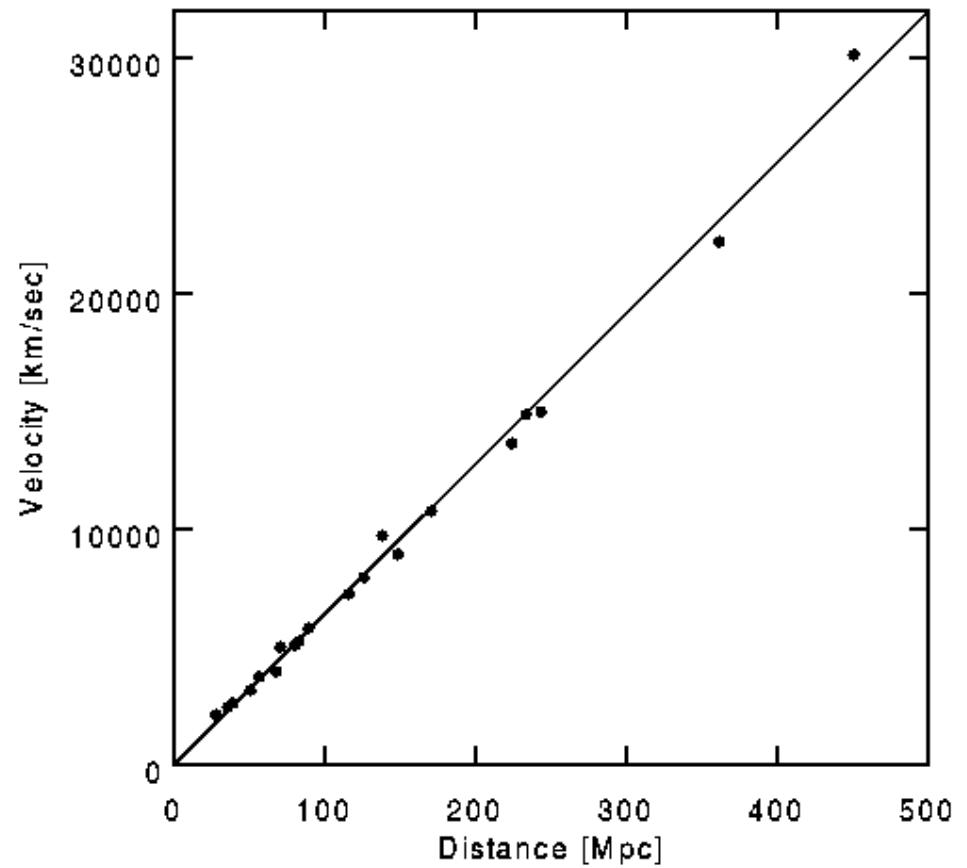
Hubble 1929:

$$H \approx 550 \text{ km/s/Mpc}$$

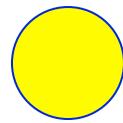
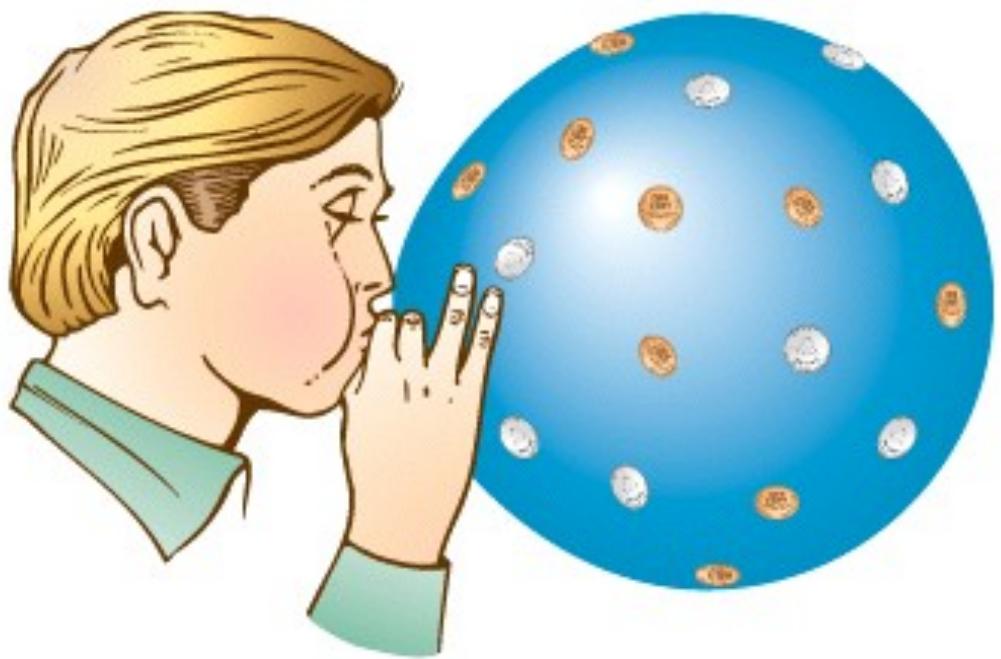


Riess et al 1996:

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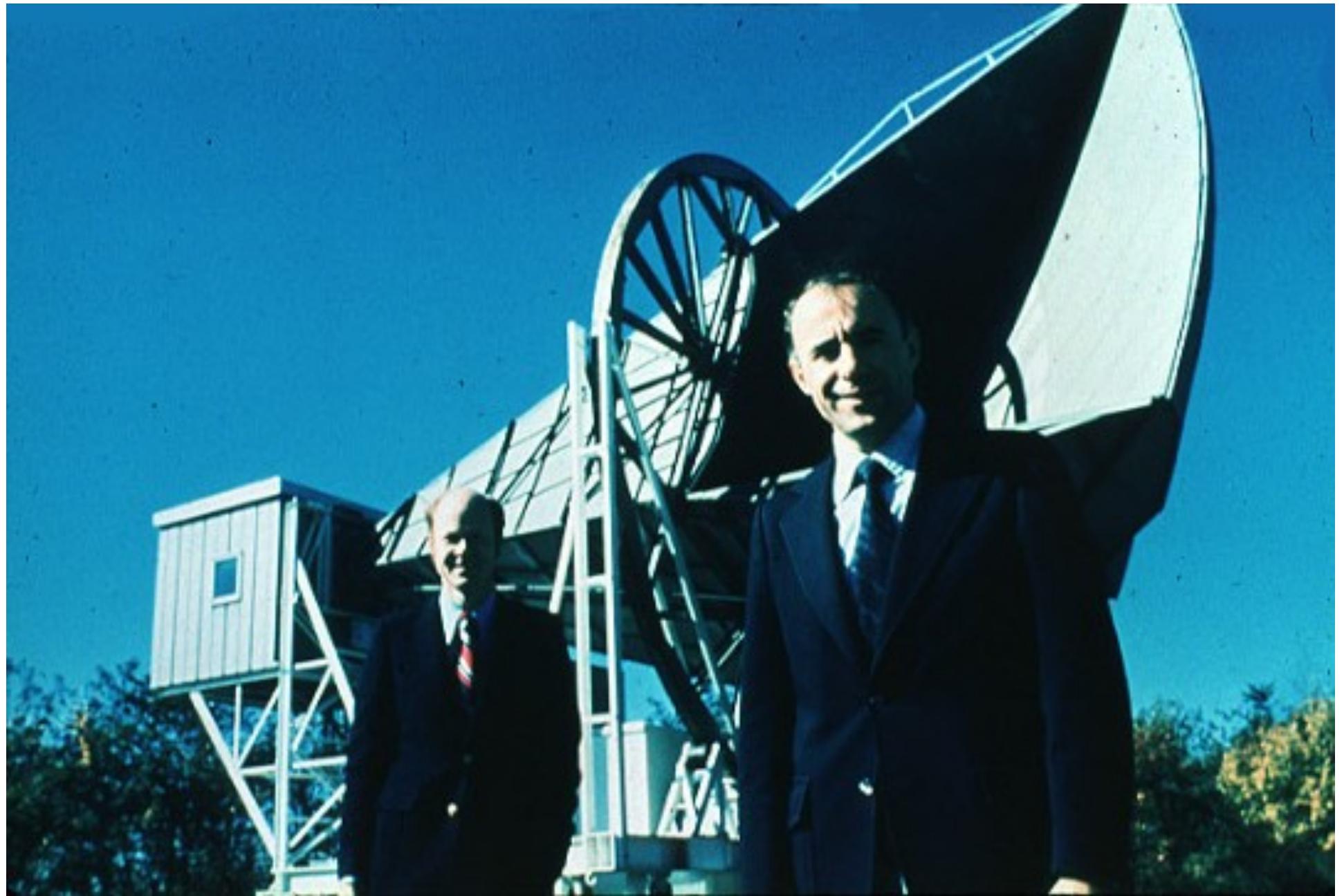


**How measure distance & redshift?**



# EVIDENCE:

## The Cosmic Microwave Background Radiation exists

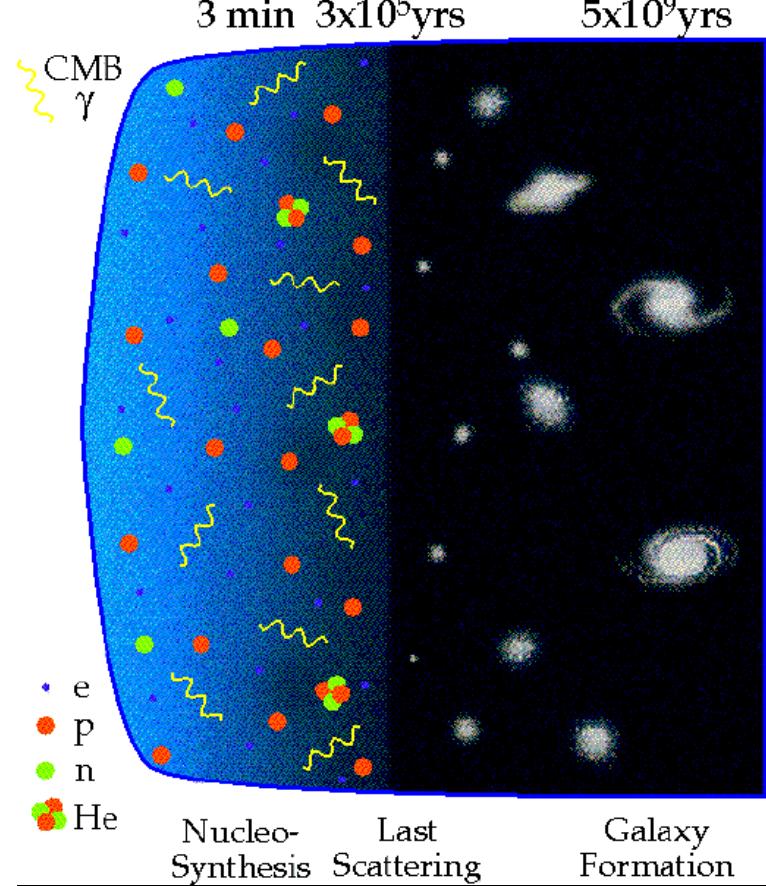


Arno Penzias & Robert Wilson 1965



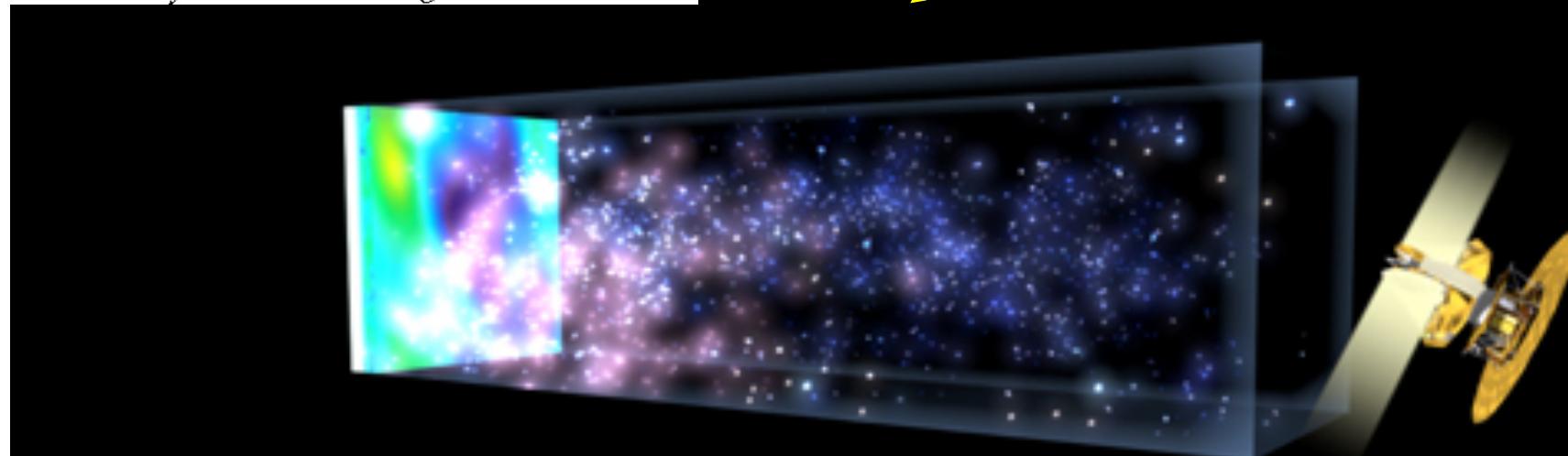
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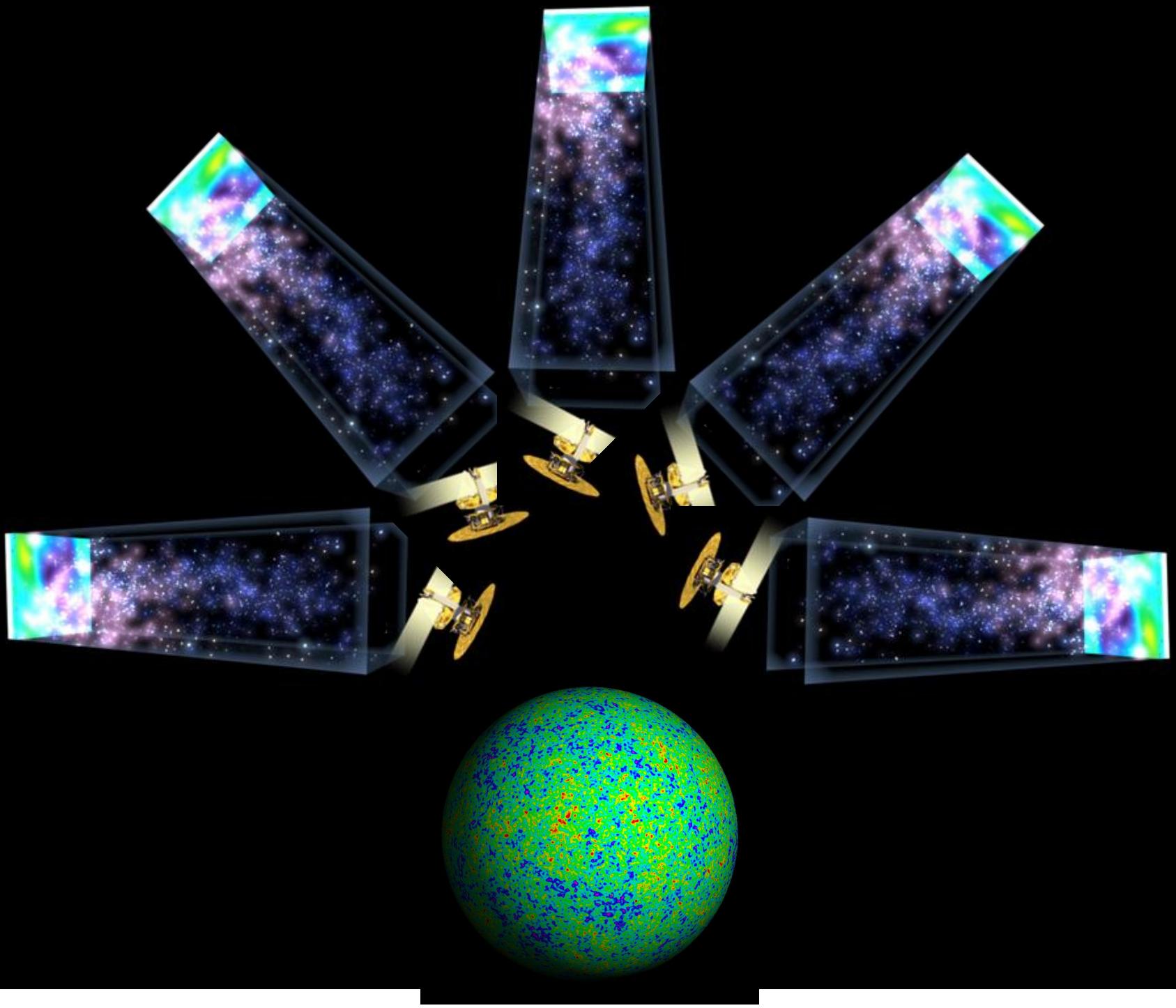
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(Figure from Wayne Hu)

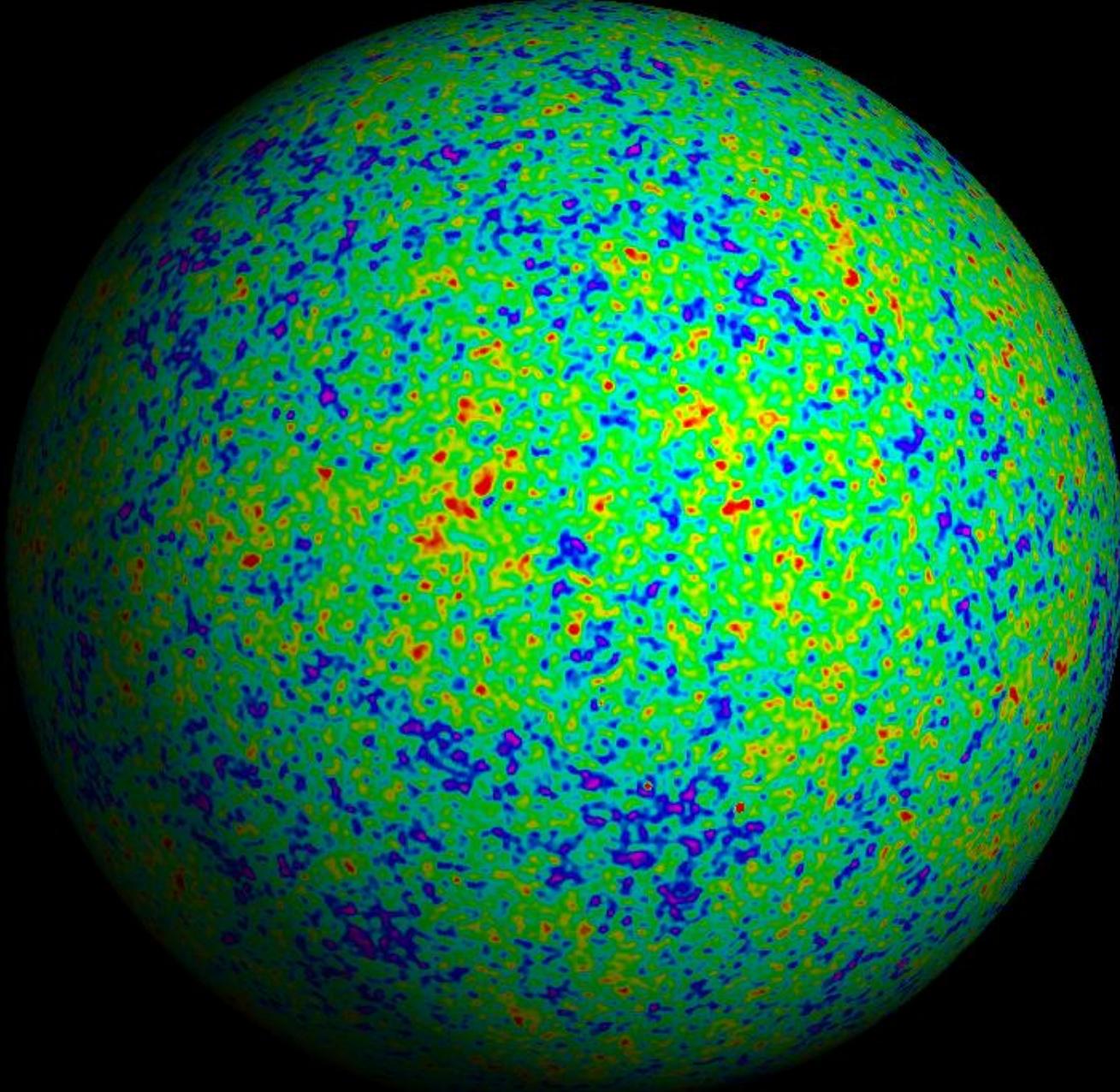
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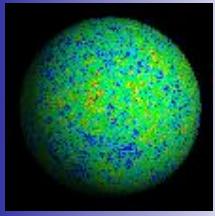




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Foreground-cleaned WMAP map from Tegmark, de Oliveira-Costa & Hamilton, astro-ph/0302496





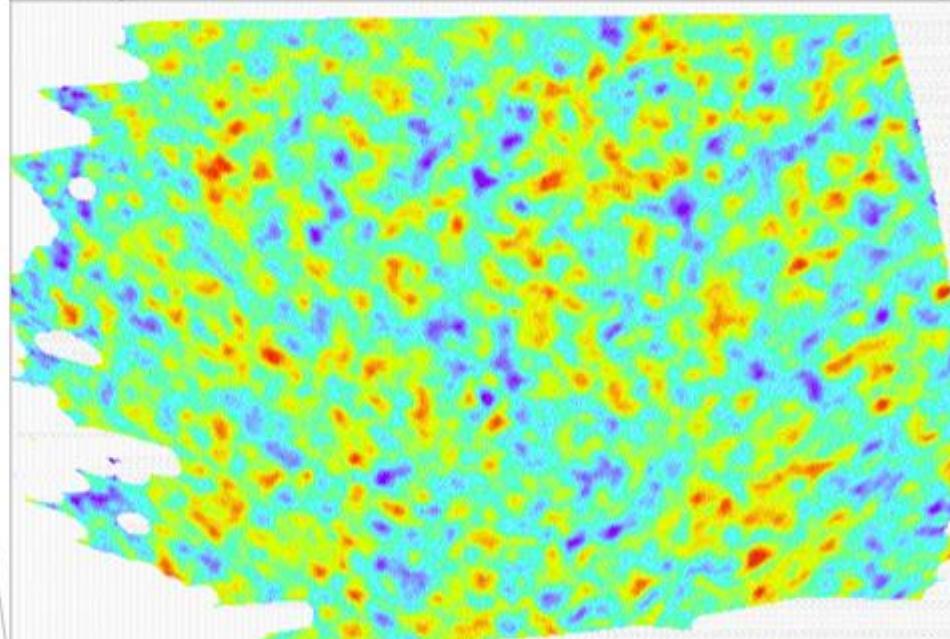
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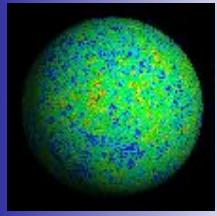
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De Bernardis et al 2000, Lange et al 2000

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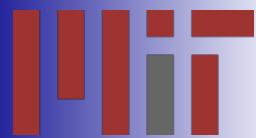
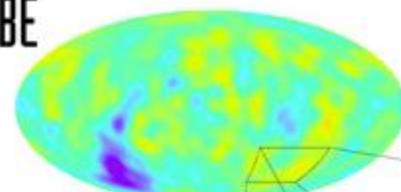


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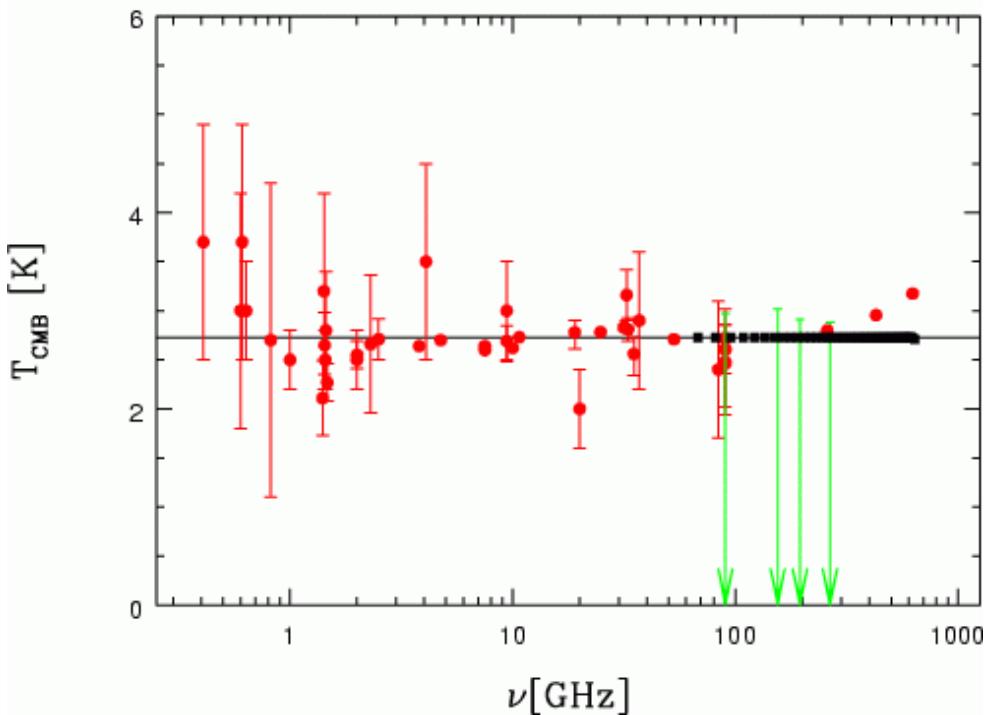
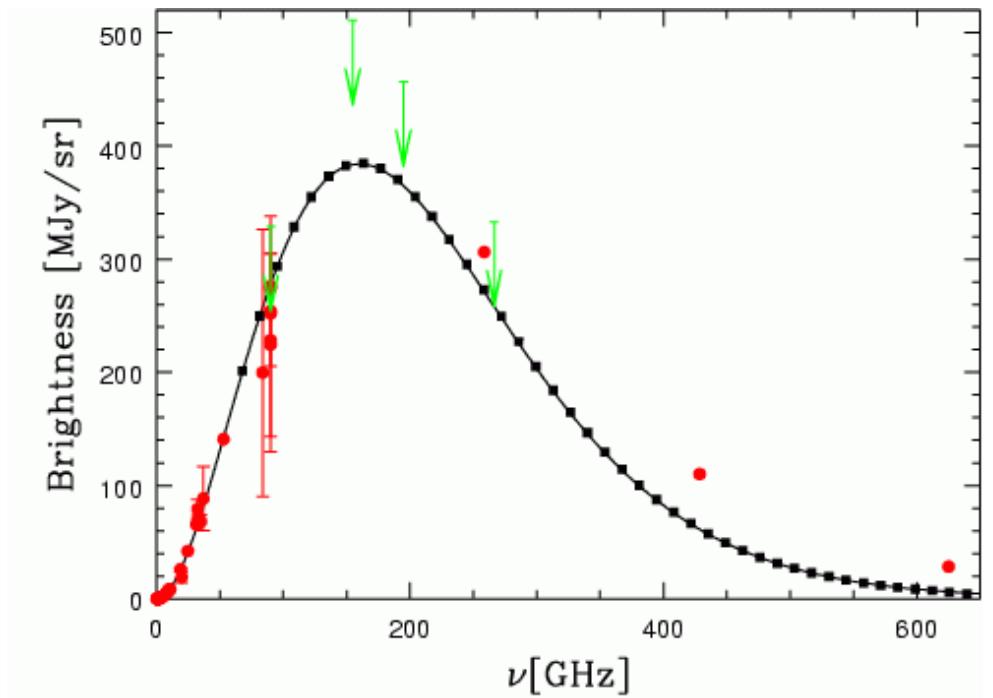
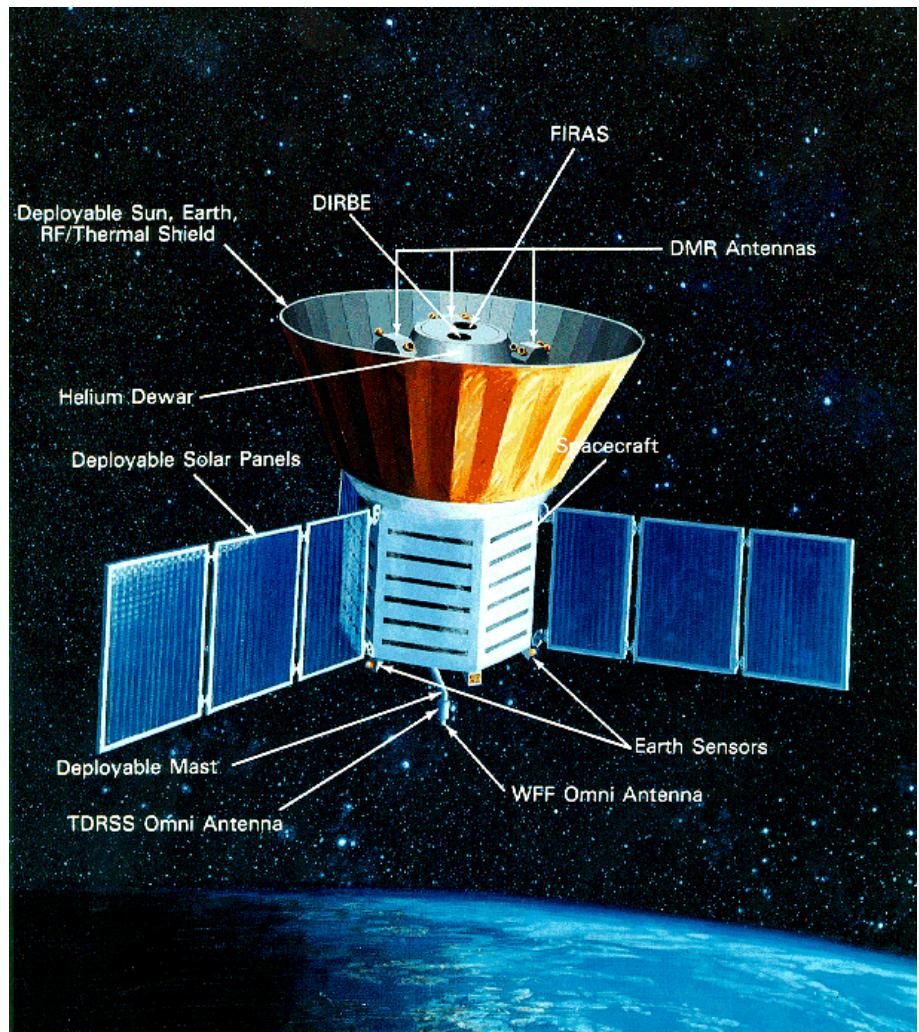
Tegmark, Jr., 2001

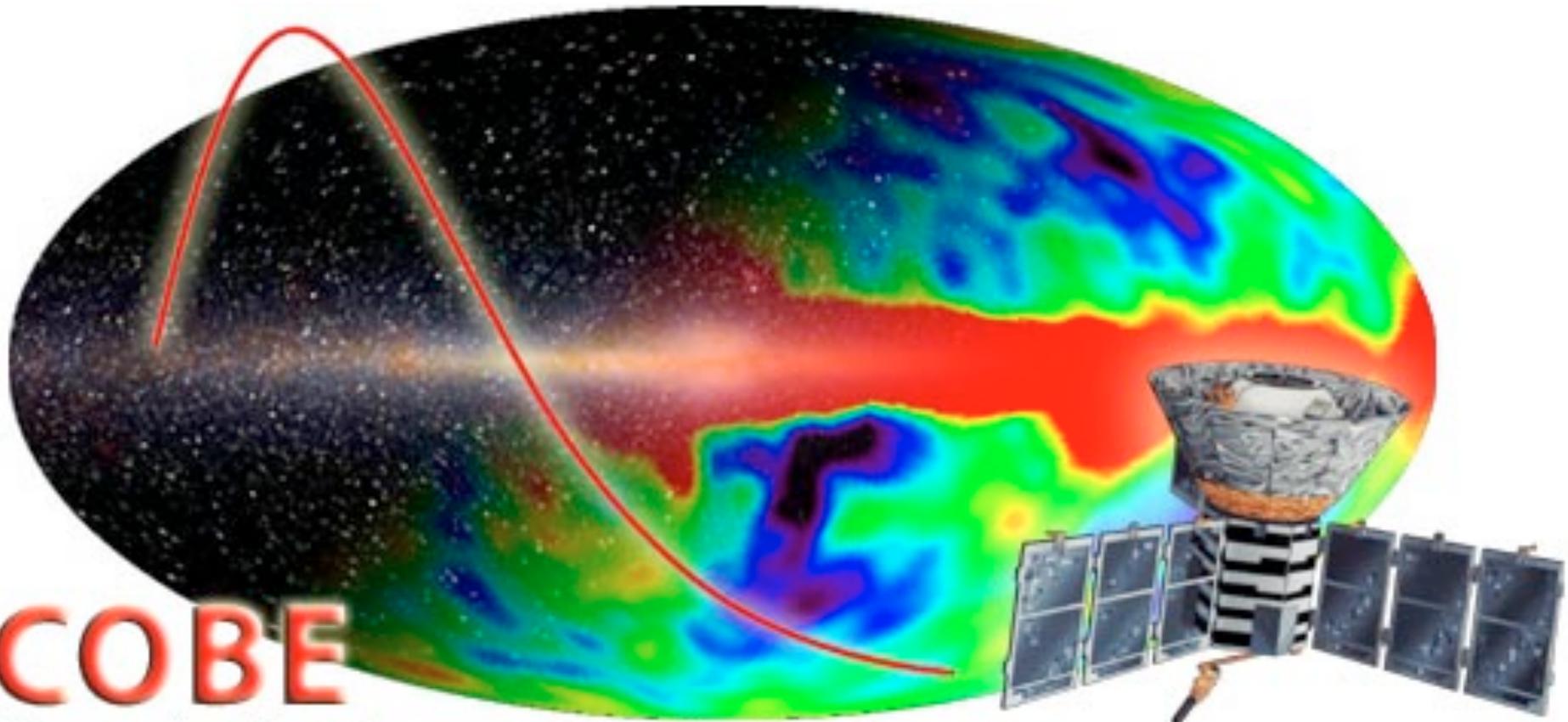


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