

N_{eff} from Decaying Matter

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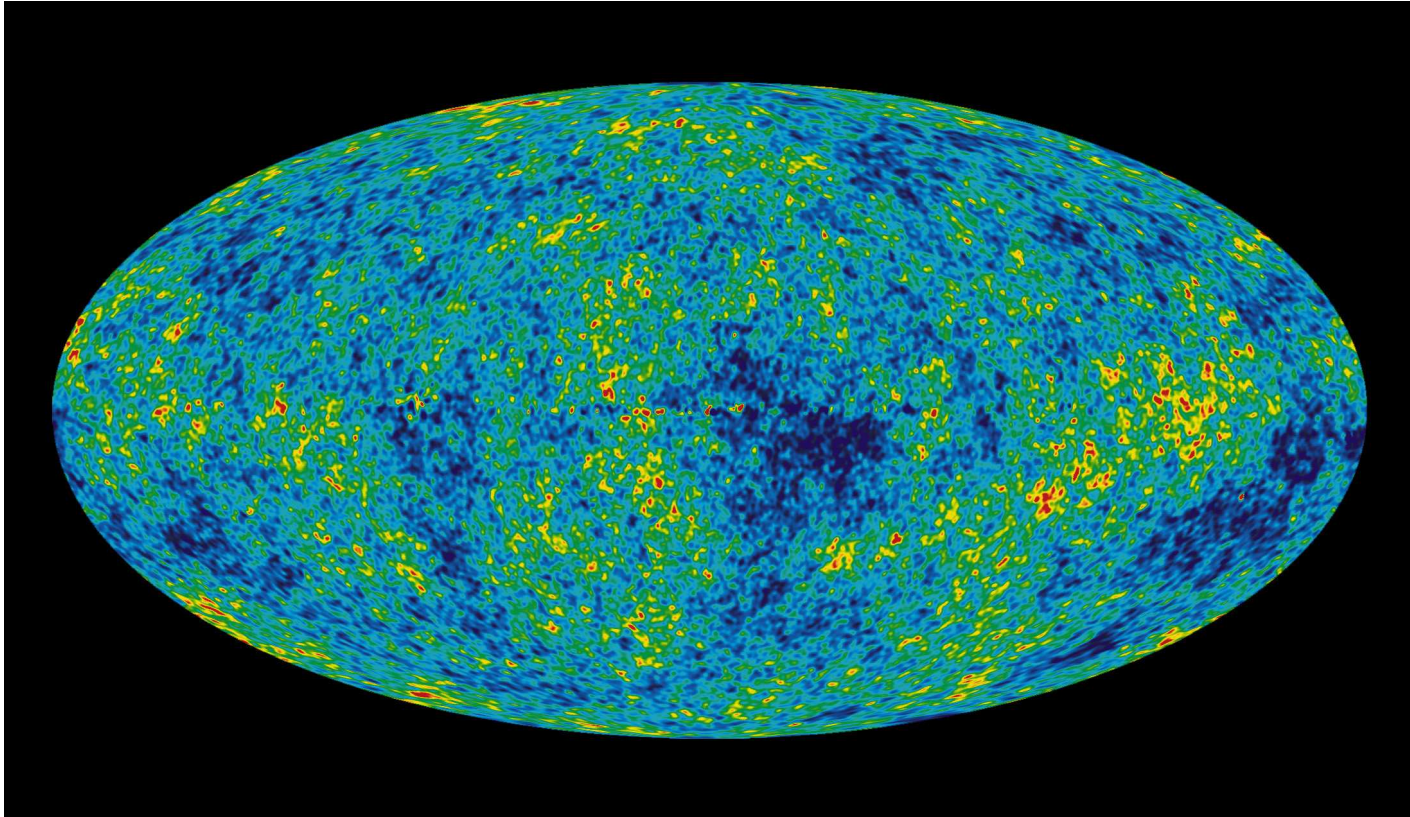
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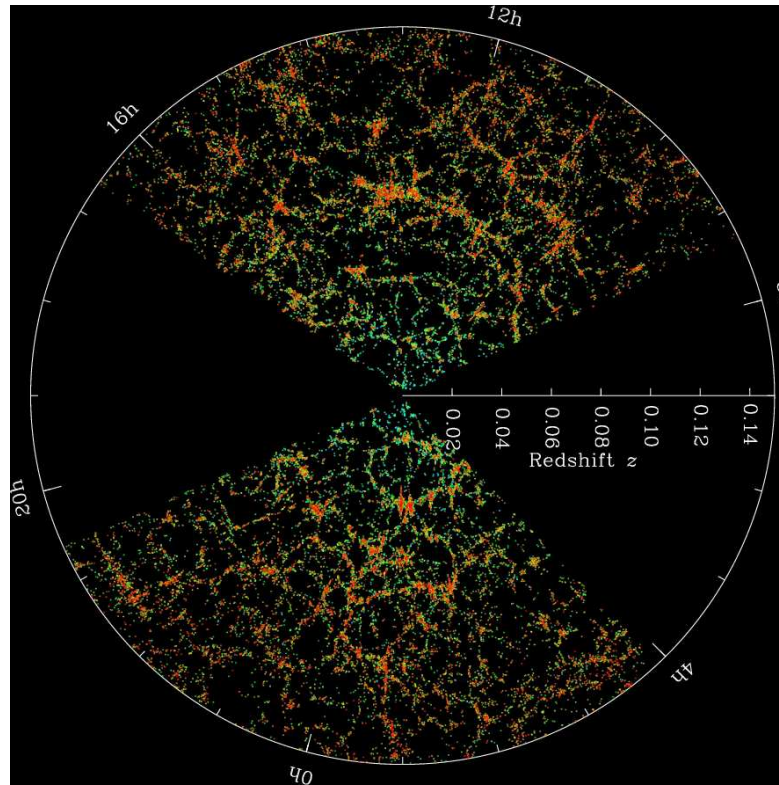
Cosmological Observations



WMAP and SPT $z \approx 1100$ $\frac{\delta T}{T} \approx 10^{-5}$

$$\left\langle \frac{\delta T}{\bar{T}}(\hat{n}) \frac{\delta T}{\bar{T}}(\hat{n}') \right\rangle = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{2l+1}{4\pi} C_l P_l(\hat{n} \cdot \hat{n}')$$

Cosmological Observations



SDSS $z \approx 0.1$ $\frac{\delta\rho}{\rho}$ is small only at large scales.

$$P_{gal}(k, z) = \langle \left| \frac{\delta\rho(k_i, z)}{\rho} \right|^2 \rangle$$

$\delta\rho(k_i, z)$ is the F.T. of the density fluctuations.

Cosmological Observations

- HST → low-z supernovae, HST, A. G. Riess *et al.* 0905.0695
- SN1a → High-z supernovae, M. Hicken *et al.*, 0901.4804
- BBN → primordial abundances for the elements are affected by the expansion rate of the Universe at the BBN time (Mangano *et al.* 1103.1261).

CosmoTh: Geometry of the Universe

- The metric for a general homogeneous and isotropic Universe is,

$$ds^2 = dt^2 - a^2(t) \left(\frac{dr^2}{1 - Kr^2} + r^2 d\Omega^2 \right),$$

all the dynamics is in the function $a(t)$, $a(t)$ and K are determined by the content of the Universe

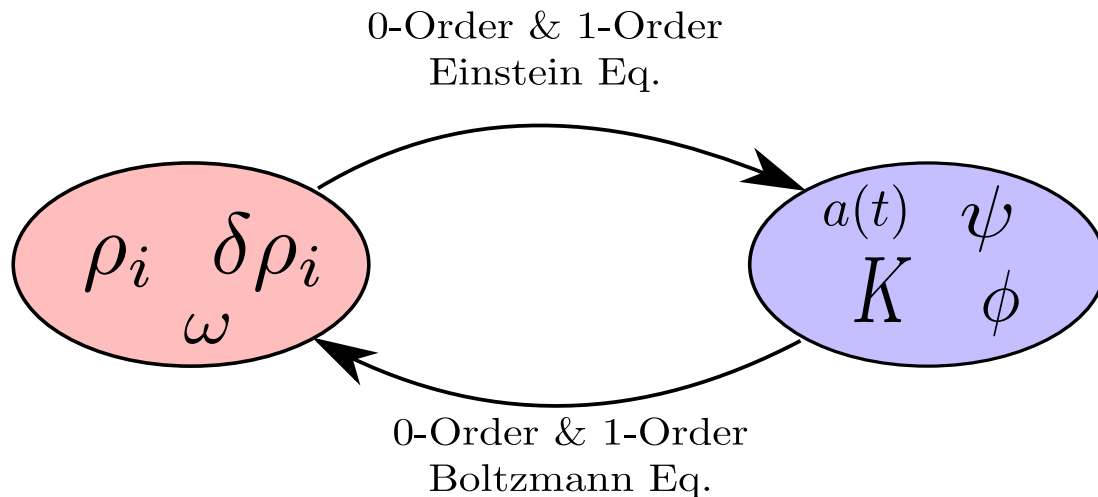
- To take into account the small deviations we need to go beyond the homogeneous and isotropic solution. F.e for **scalar perturbations**

$$ds^2 = (1 - 2\psi(t, x))dt^2 - (1 + 2\phi(t, x))a^2(t) \left(\frac{dr^2}{1 - Kr^2} + r^2 d\Omega^2 \right).$$

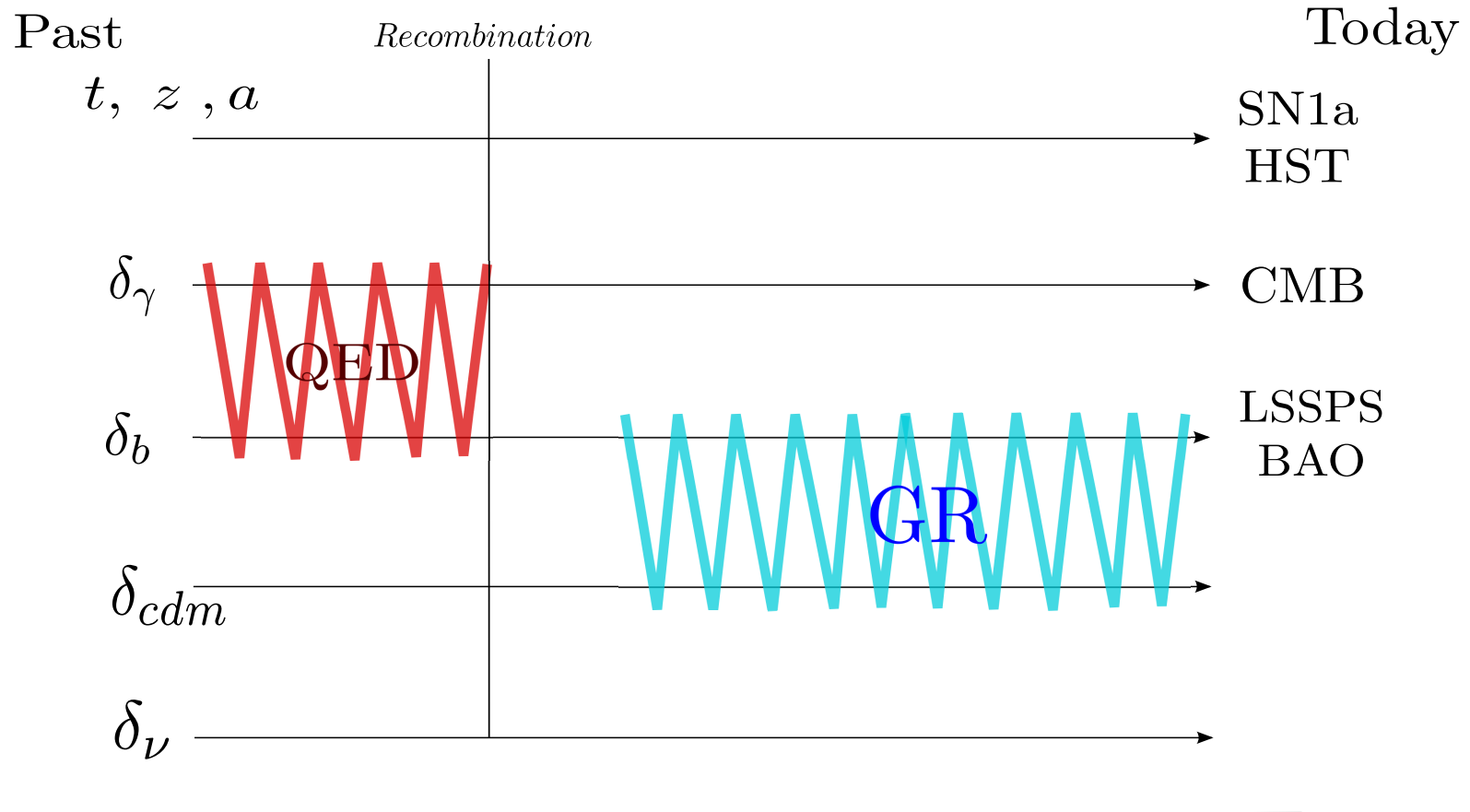
CosmoTh: Λ CDM + N_{eff} Model

Type	0-order	1-order
Matter	$\rho_{cdm}(t), \rho_b(t)$	$\delta\rho_{cdm}(t, x), \delta\rho_b(t, x)$
Radiation	$\rho_\gamma(t), \rho_{N_{rel}}(t)$	$\delta\rho_\gamma(t, x), \delta\rho_\nu(t, x)$
Dark energy	$\rho_\Lambda(t), \omega$	

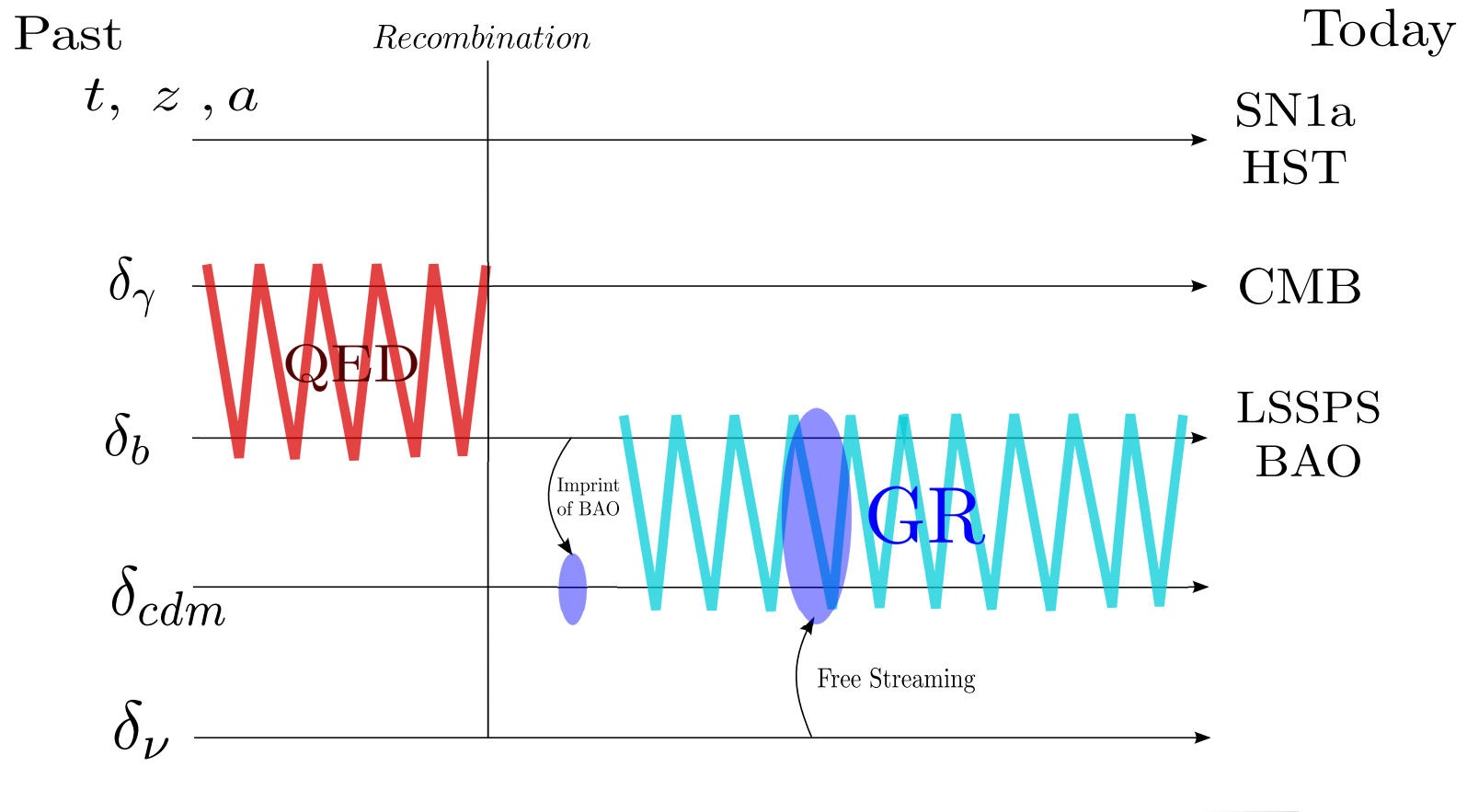
- Matter and radiation evolution is determined by Boltzmann equations up to first order in $\delta\rho_i/\rho_i$.
- Geometry is determined by Einstein equations $H(z) = \sqrt{\sum_i \rho_i(z)}$
- Both sets of eqs are coupled



CosmoTh: Physics of the Perturbations

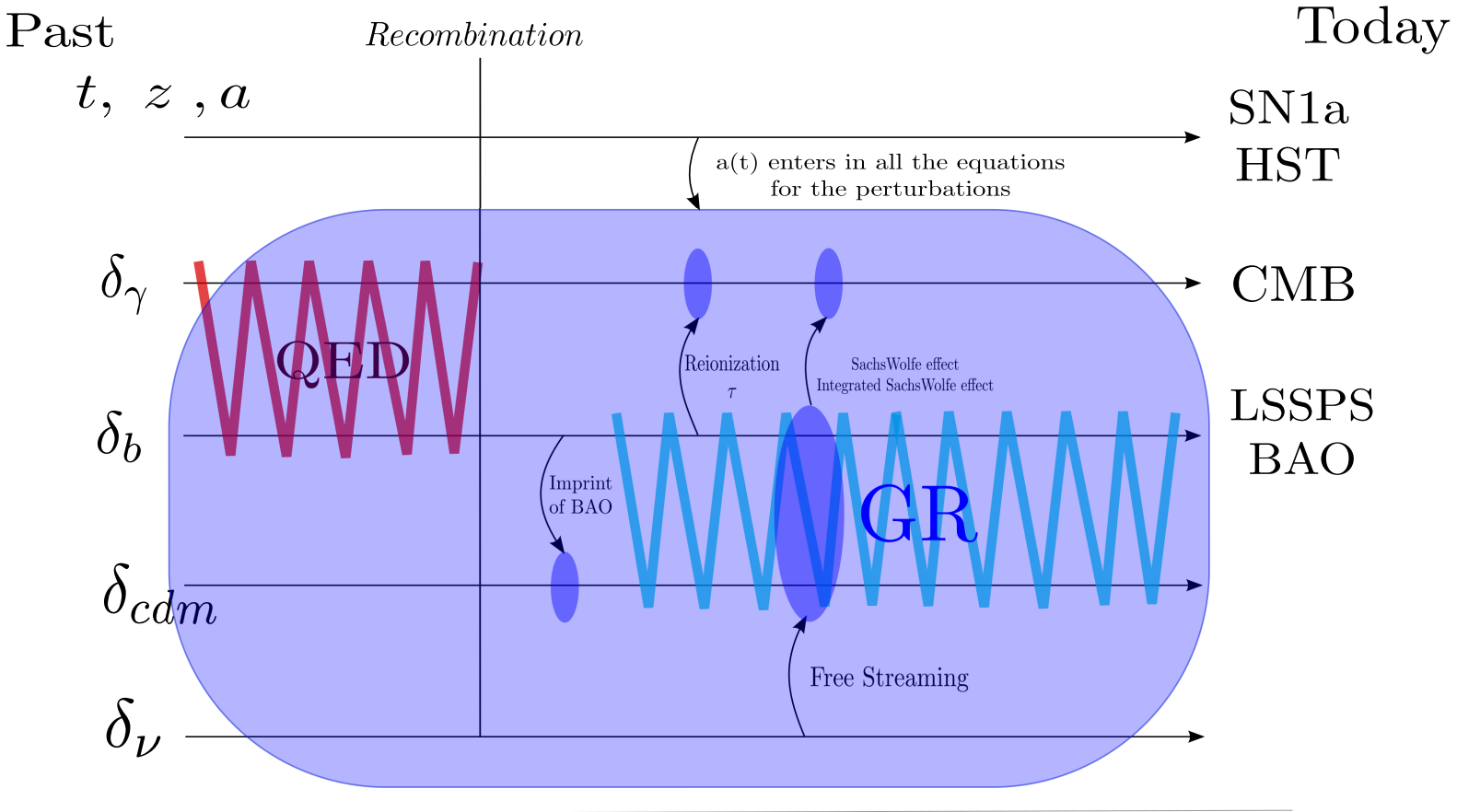


CosmoTh: Physics of the Perturbations



The BAO oscillations in the δ_b have an effect on the full matter PS.

CosmoTh: Physics of the Perturbations



The **background** evolution enters in all the **1-order equations**, therefore the **perturbations** contain information about **all the parameters**.

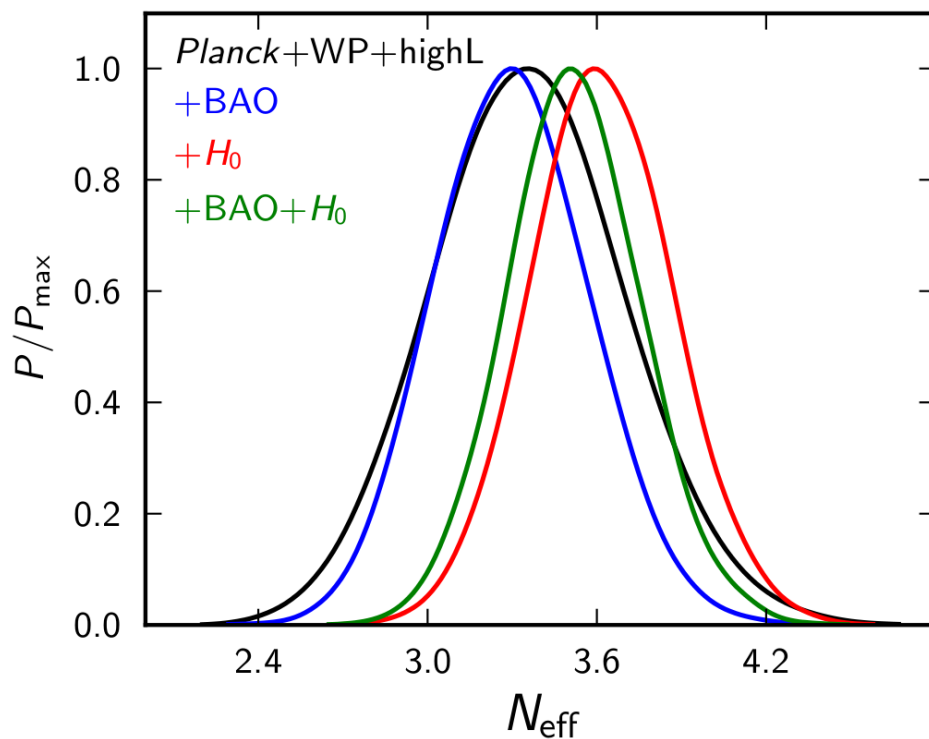
Λ CDM + N_{eff} Parameters

- 0-order (homogeneous and isotropic), ($\Omega_i \equiv \rho_i / \rho_{crit}$, $\rho_{crit} = \frac{3H^2}{8\pi G}$)
 - Matter $\rightarrow \Omega_m \rightarrow \Omega_{cdm}, \Omega_b$
 - Radiation $\rightarrow \Omega_r \rightarrow \Omega_\gamma$ (fixed by T_{CMB}), N_{rel}
 - Reionization optical depth $\rightarrow \tau$
 - Hubble parameter today $\rightarrow H_0 \rightarrow \Omega_\Lambda$
- 1-order, initial conditions for $\delta\rho/\rho$ are determined by the primordial power spectrum from inflation,
 - Primordial spectrum amplitude $\rightarrow A_s$
 - Spectral index ($n_s = 1 \Rightarrow$ flat spectra) $\rightarrow n_s$

$$P(k) = A_s \frac{k^{1-n_s}}{k^3} \rightarrow C_l, P_{gal}(k)$$

Is ΔN_{eff} bigger than zero?

- Λ CDM+ N_{eff} with WMAP9 + spt + act $N_{eff} = 3.89 \pm 0.67$ (68%CL).
- Λ CDM+ m_ν + N_{eff} with Planck + WP + spt + act
 $\sum m_\nu < 0.6eV$ $N_{eff} = 3.29^{+0.67}_{-0.64}$ (95%CL)



Planck 2013 results. XVI

Does $N_{eff} > 0$ imply new light DOF?

IF (Thermal eq.) Then

$$T, N_{dof} \rightarrow \rho_{rad}$$

Else

$$\rho_{rad} = \rho_{th} + \rho_{nonth} = N_{dof} F(T) + \rho_{nonth} = N_{eff} F(T)$$

- Only near to the equilibrium N_{eff} and N_{dof} are similar.
- Can the extra radiation be explained by non thermal contribution in to non standard neutrinos?
[arXiv:1212.1472](https://arxiv.org/abs/1212.1472)
- We study the possibility of include new cold matter that decays in to standard neutrinos to explain the extra radiation

Decaying Matter

- In order to include the new decaying matter we should extend the matter content.

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- 0-order Boltzmann equations:

$$\dot{\rho}_{dec} = -3aH\rho_{dec} - a\Gamma_{dec}\rho_{dec}$$

$$\dot{\rho}_\nu = -4aH\rho_\nu + a\Gamma_{dec}\rho_{dec}$$

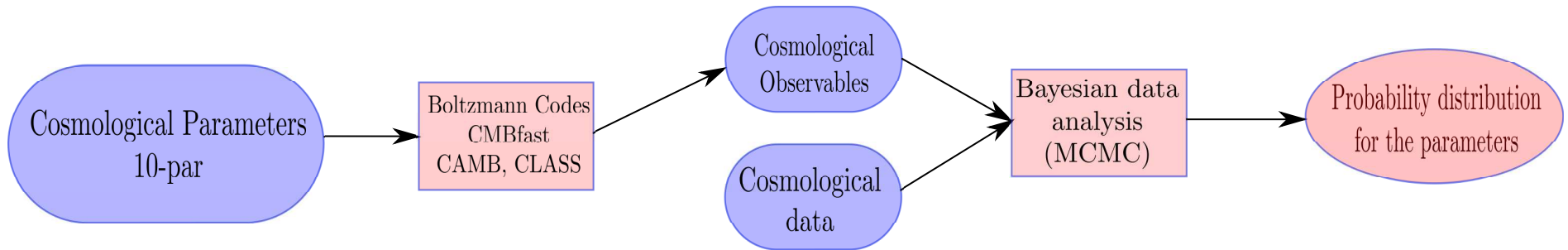
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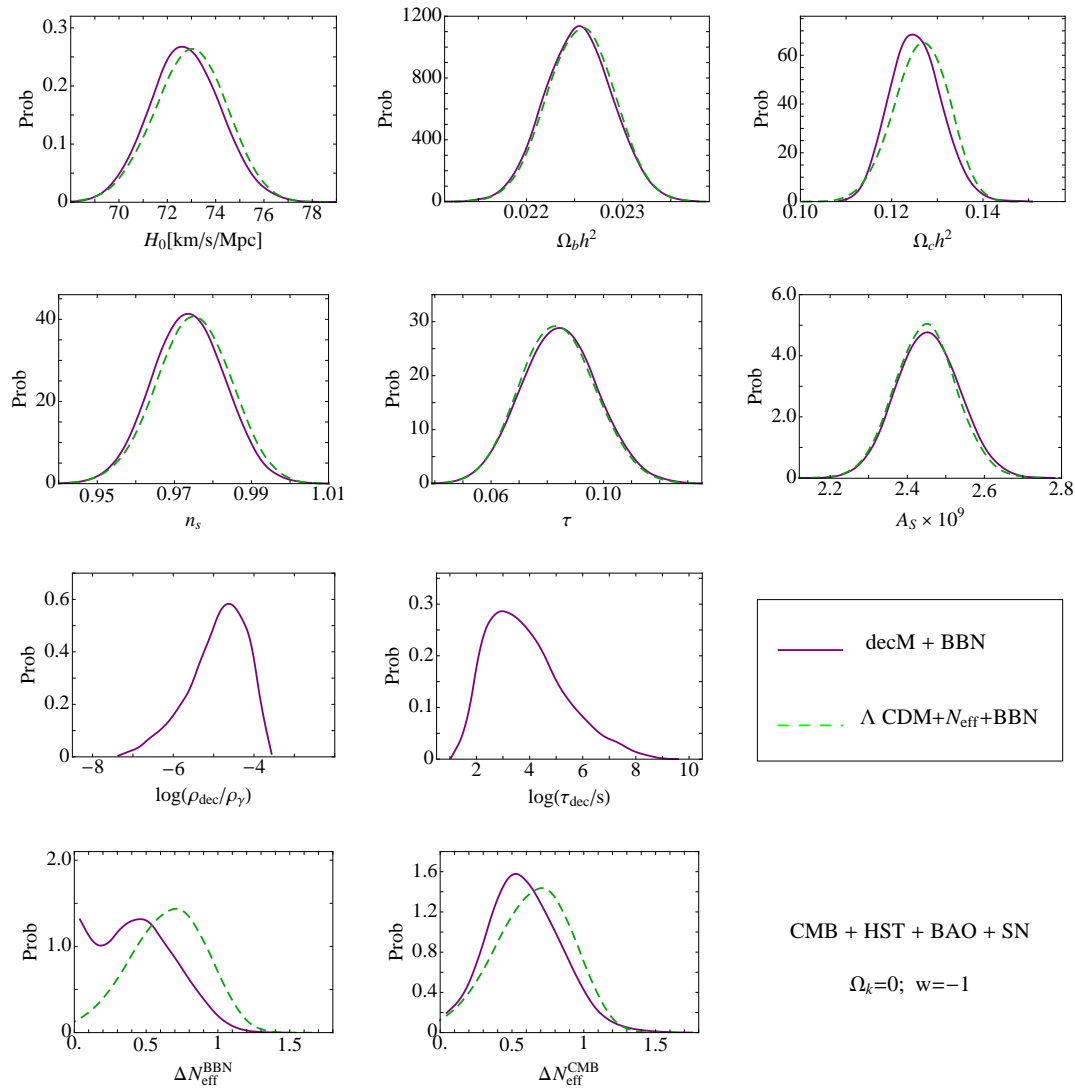
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- BAO → BAO from SDSS & 2dFGRS, W. J. Percival *et al.*, 0907.1660
- CMB → WMAP, E. Komatsu, *et al.*, 1001.4538
- CMB → SPT, Keisler, R, *et al.*, 1105.3182
- BBN → primordial abundances, Mangano *et al.* 1103.1261



We develop a code implementing a **Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC)** algorithm for parameter sampling and to determine the posterior probability distribution for the cosmological parameters.

decM data analysis results

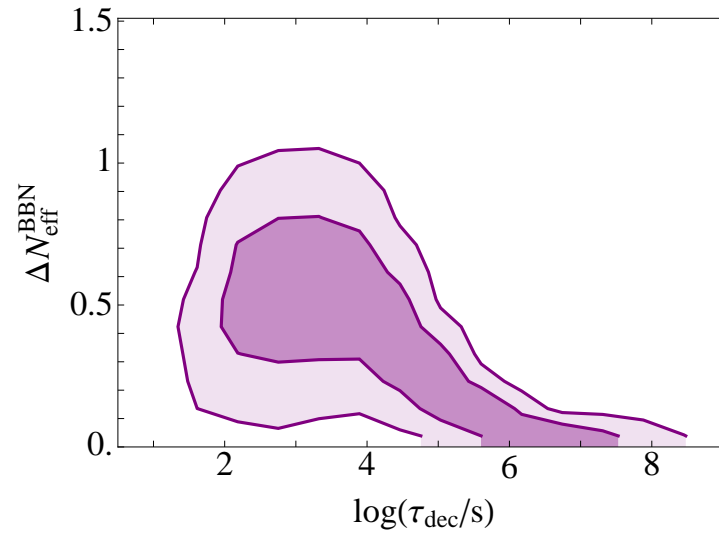
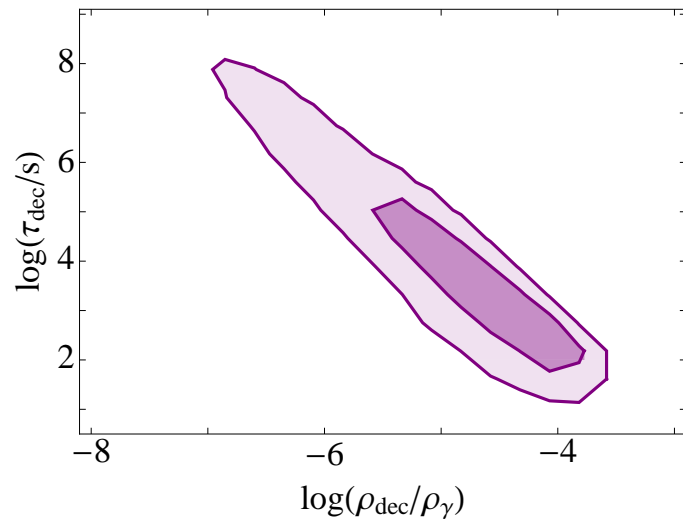


decM data analysis

Parameter	<i>decM</i> +BBN			Λ CDM+ N_{eff} +BBN		
	best	1σ	95%	best	1σ	95%
H_0 [km/s/Mpc]	72.6	+1.5 -1.4	+3.0 -2.8	73.0	+1.5 -1.5	+2.8 -3.0
$\Omega_b h^2 \times 100$	2.254	+0.034 -0.037	+0.069 -0.068	2.258	+0.032 -0.037	+0.065 -0.070
$\Omega_c h^2$	0.125	+0.005 -0.005	+0.012 -0.010	0.127	+0.006 -0.006	+0.011 -0.012
$\log(\rho_{dec}/\rho_\gamma)$ at $t = 10^{-4}$ s	-4.61	+0.61 -0.73	+0.92 -1.7	–	–	–
n_s	0.973	+0.009 -0.009	+0.018 -0.018	0.975	+0.010 -0.010	+0.019 -0.019
τ	0.084	+0.013 -0.015	+0.026 -0.026	0.083	+0.013 -0.013	+0.027 -0.024
$A_s \times 10^9$	2.452	+0.082 -0.083	+0.164 -0.157	2.449	+0.075 -0.083	+0.155 -0.159
$\log(\tau_{dec}/\text{s})$	2.9	+1.7 -1.0	+3.7 -1.5	–	–	–
$\Delta N_{\text{eff}}^{\text{CMB}}$	0.50	+0.30 -0.19	+0.58 -0.42	0.70	+0.25 -0.30	+0.44 -0.59
$\Delta N_{\text{eff}}^{\text{BBN}}$	–	–	≤ 0.90	0.70	+0.25 -0.30	+0.44 -0.59

decM data analysis results

2D contour plots



In radiation dominated universe $\Delta N_{\text{eff}} \propto \rho_{\text{dec}} \sqrt{\tau_{\text{dec}}}$

Motivations for $N_{eff} > 0$

- Many extensions of the SM contain extra light particles, axions, light sterile neutrinos ...
- Sterile Neutrino Experimental Motivation:
 - LSND excess of $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$ with $\Delta m^2 \sim 1eV^2$
 - MiniBoone $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$ appearance
 - Gallium Anomaly, SAGE and GALLEX event rates lower than expected, can be explained by ν_e disappearance with $\Delta m^2 \geq 1eV^2$
 - New reactor flux calculation (Mueller et al., 1101.2663, P. Huber, 1106.0687) 3% higher, tension in short-baseline ($L \leq 100m$) experiments, can be explained by ν_e disappearance with oscillation with $\Delta m^2 \sim 1eV^2$.
- **Work in progress:** Sterile Neutrino Analysis in IceCube using IC-79 and IC-86 data

decM data analysis results

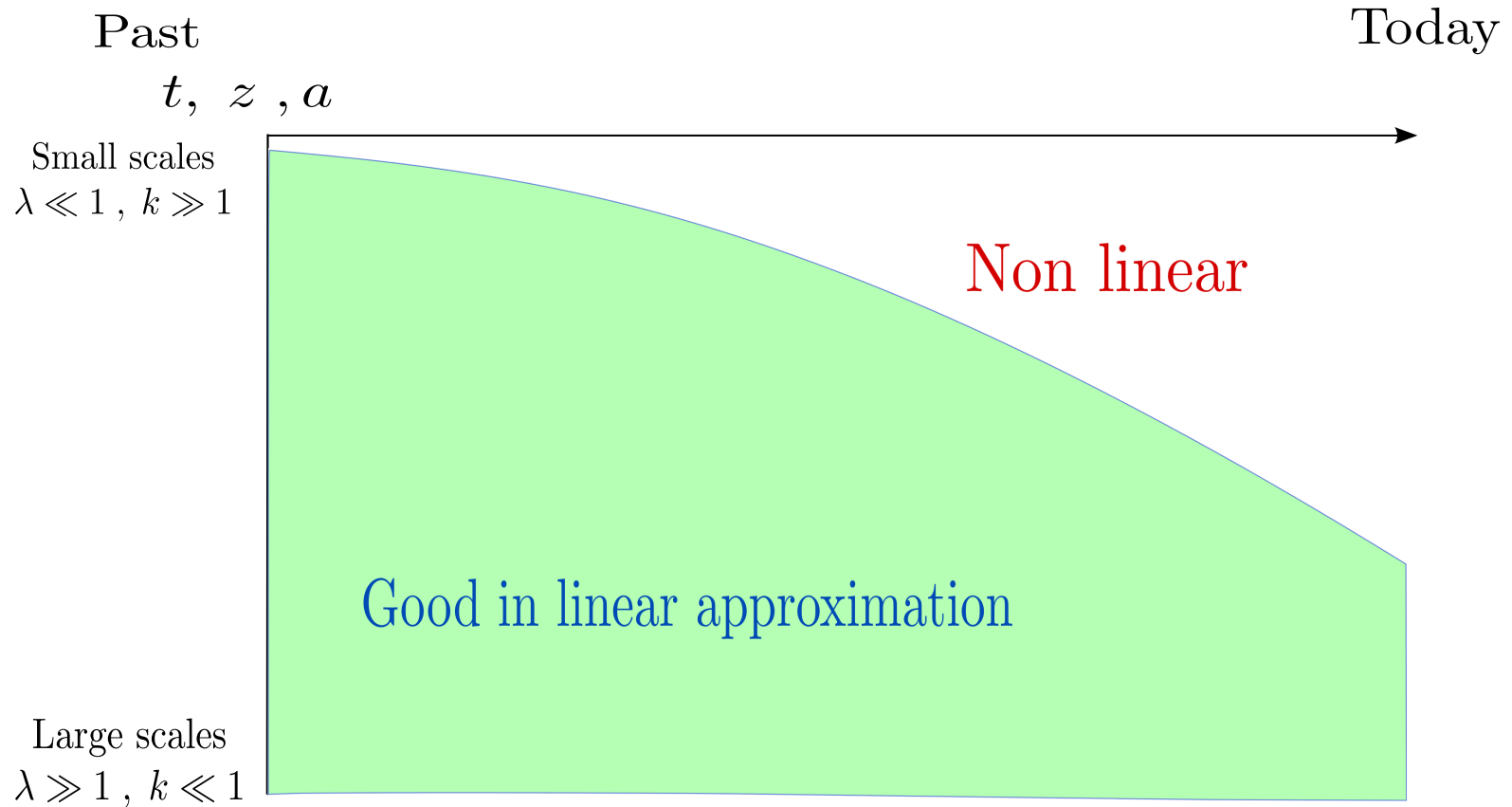
- The bump at $\Delta N_{eff}^{BBN} = 0$ can be understood by the prior.
- We use a flat prior in $\tilde{\Omega}_{dec}$ and Γ_{dec}

$$\mathcal{P}(\tilde{\Omega}_{dec}, \Gamma_{dec}) = cnt$$

- Using the approximate analytic solution in radiation dominated universe and $\mathcal{P}(\tilde{\Omega}_{dec}, \Gamma_{dec})d\tilde{\Omega}_{dec}d\Gamma_{dec} = \tilde{\mathcal{P}}(N_{eff}, Z)dN_{eff}dZ$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{P}}(N_{eff}, Z) \propto 1/N_{eff}$$

CosmoTh: Scales



N_{eff} in the CMB

- N_{eff} gives a contribution to the energy density therefore affects the expansion rate H at the CMB time.
- The CMB physics is determined by the length scales:

$$d_s(t_{CMB}) \propto 1/H \quad \lambda_d(t_{CMB}) \propto 1/\sqrt{H} \quad d_A(t_{CMB}) \propto 1/H$$

- The position of the peaks depends on:

$$\frac{d_s(t_{CMB})}{d_A(t_{CMB})}$$

therefore is not affected by the expansion rate.

- The damping effect at high- l is determined by:

$$\frac{\lambda_d(t_{CMB})}{d_A(t_{CMB})} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{H}}$$

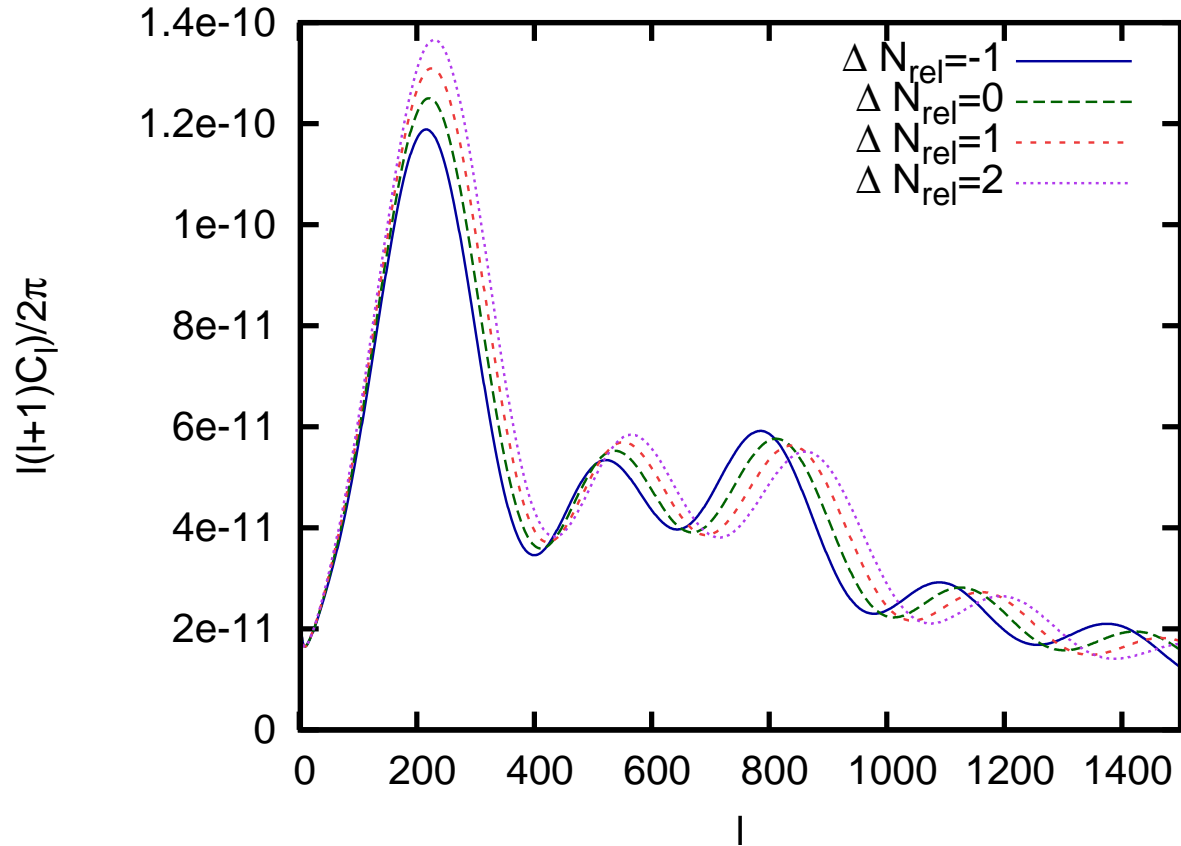
The effect on the CMB at high- l is affected by H and can give information about N_{eff}

Cosmological Observations

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H_0 [km/s/Mpc]	73.0	+1.5 -1.5	+2.8 -3.0
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- BBN, $N_{\text{eff}} < 4$ at 95% C.L. (Mangano *et al.* 1103.1261)
- Without BBN $N_{\text{eff}} = 3.87 \pm 0.42$ (Joudaki, Shahab. 1202.0005)
- Before SPT and without BBN in extended cosmological models $N_{\text{eff}} = 4.2^{+1.1}_{-0.61}$ (Gonzalez-Garcia, M.C, *et al.* 1006.3795)

N_{eff} in the CMB



- Effect in the CMB of the extra relativistic radiation ΔN_{rel} in the Universe.

Bayesian Data Analysis

- For a given values of the theory parameters θ the probability of measuring a data sample \bar{d} is the likelihood function $\mathcal{L}(\bar{d}; \theta)$.
- In Bayesian Interpretation the probability is associated with the knowledge, therefore we can summarize our knowledge of the theoretical parameters θ as a probability distribution $p(\theta|\bar{d})$.
- Using the Bayesian theorem we can relate this probability with the likelihood:

$$p(\theta|\bar{d}) = \frac{\mathcal{L}(\bar{d}|\theta)\pi(\theta)}{\sum_{\theta'} \mathcal{L}(\bar{d}|\theta')\pi(\theta')}$$

Decaying Matter

● 1-order Boltzmann equations:

$$\dot{\delta}_{DM} = -\frac{1}{2}\dot{h},$$

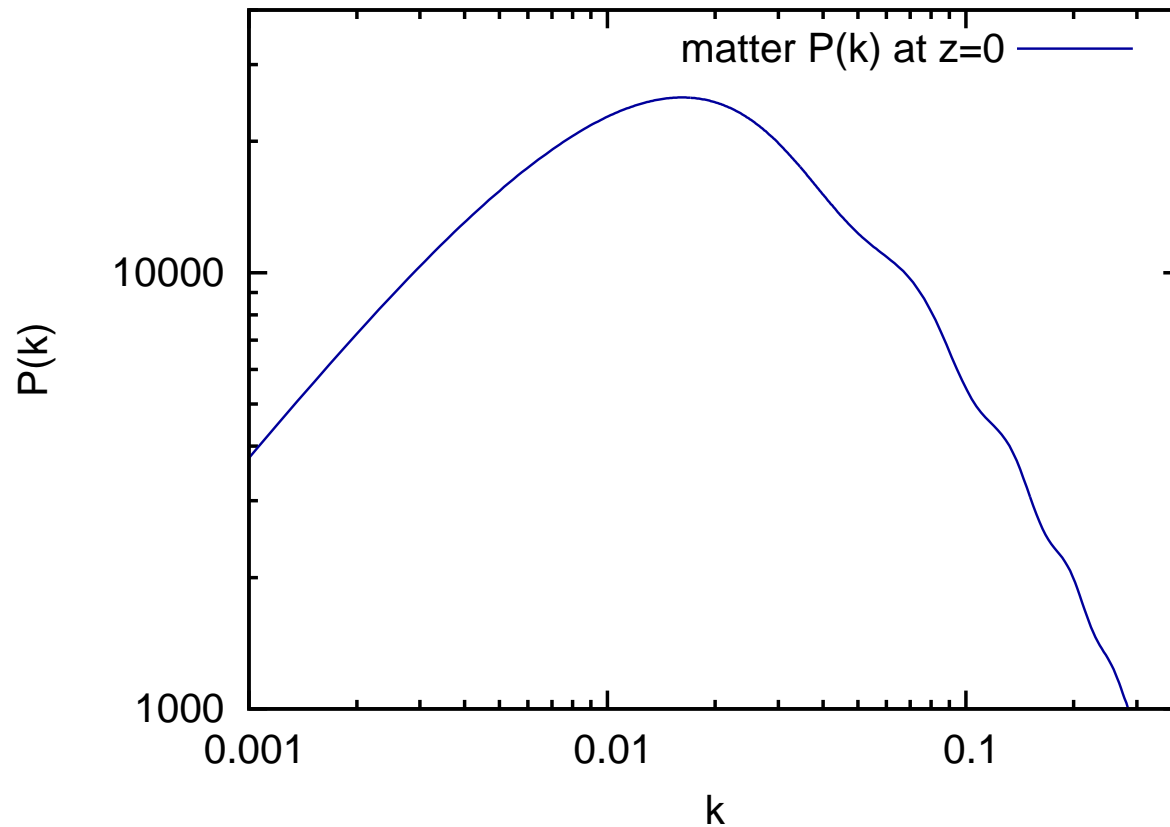
$$\dot{\delta}_R = -\frac{2}{3}\dot{h} - \frac{4}{3}\theta_R + a\Gamma_{dec}\frac{\rho_{dec}}{\rho_R}(\delta_{DM} - \delta_R),$$

$$\dot{\theta}_R = k^2\left(\frac{1}{4}\delta_R - \sigma_R\right) - a\Gamma_{dec}\frac{\rho_{dec}}{\rho_R}\theta_R,$$

$$\dot{\sigma}_R = \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{8}{15}\theta_R - \frac{3}{5}kF_3 + \frac{4}{15}\dot{h} + \frac{8}{5}\dot{\eta}\right) - a\Gamma_{dec}\frac{\rho_{dec}}{\rho_R}\sigma_R,$$

$$\dot{F}_l = \frac{k}{2l+1}[lF_{l-1} - (l+1)F_{l+1}] - a\Gamma_{dec}\frac{\rho_{dec}}{\rho_R}F_l,$$

Cosmological Observations



- From the matter power spectrum we use the scale associated with the Baryonic Acoustic Oscillations (BAO).