

Title: New Light Species and the CMB - Joint Cosmology/Particle Physics Seminar

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Abstract: The effective number of neutrino species in our universe,  $N_{\text{eff}}$ , is capable of probing the presence of new light or massless species in our universe. I will first review relevant facts about both CMB measurements of new light species and thermodynamics in the early universe. Then, I will present the effects of many models of BSM physics containing new light species on the CMB, including models containing eV-scale sterile neutrinos compatible with anomalies in neutrino experiments, and interpret the compatibility of the parameter space of these models in terms of the recent results from the Planck satellite. I will argue that the bounds on couplings obtained from the Planck measurement of the CMB are competitive with bounds coming from other areas of physics.</span><span></span>

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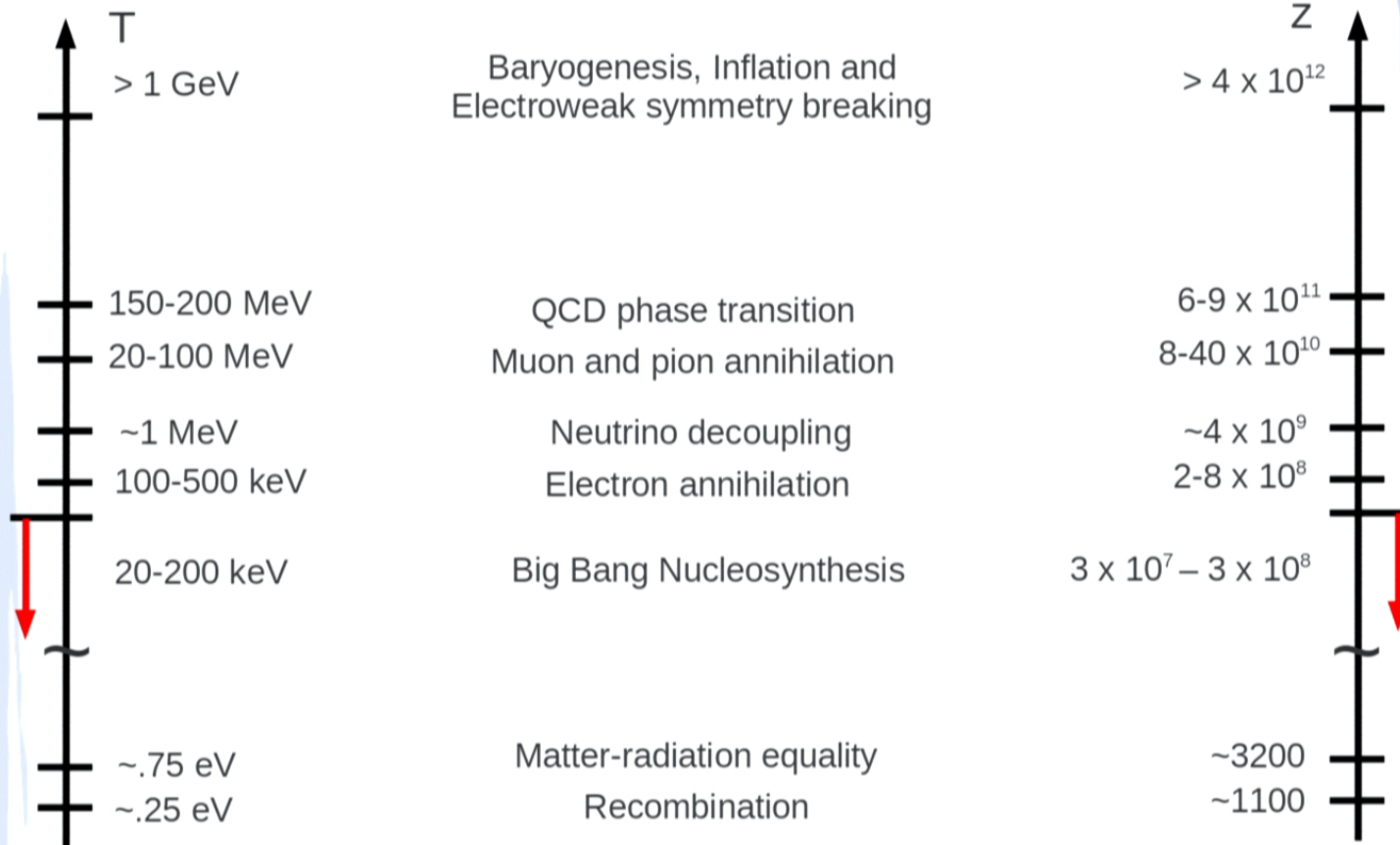
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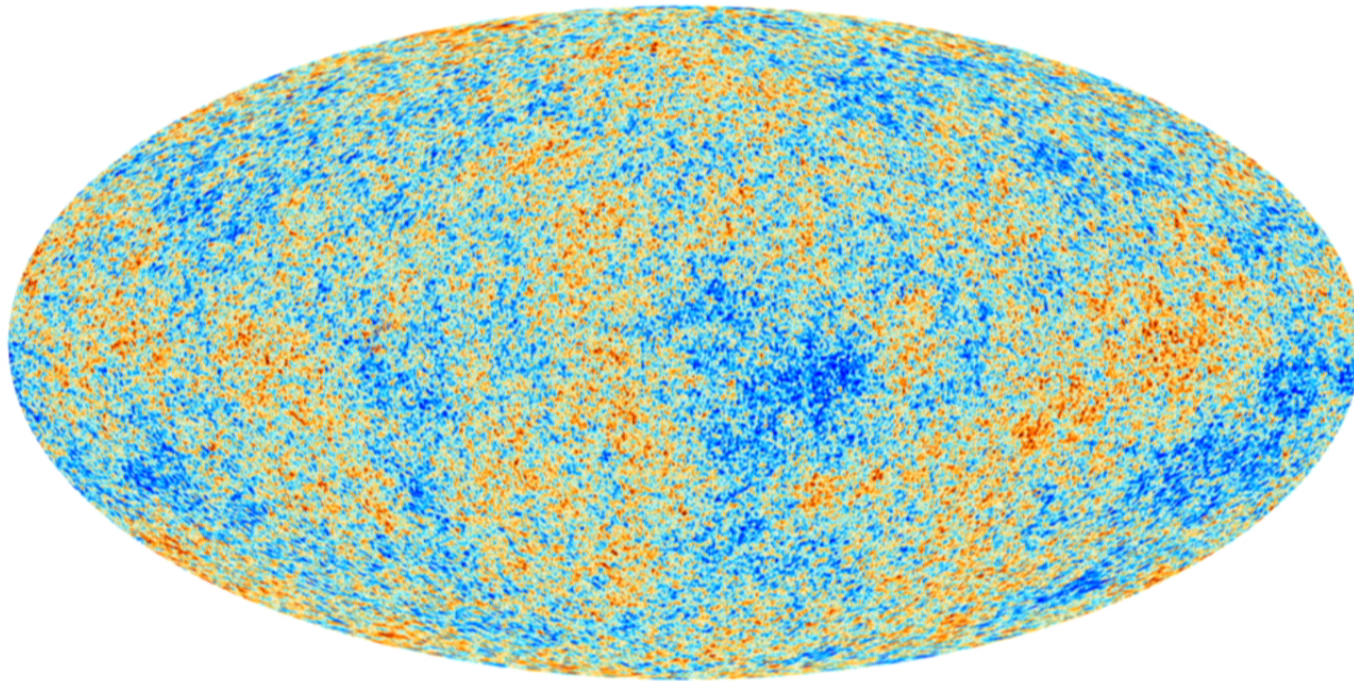
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# Timeline of Early Universe Physics



# Anisotropies in the CMB



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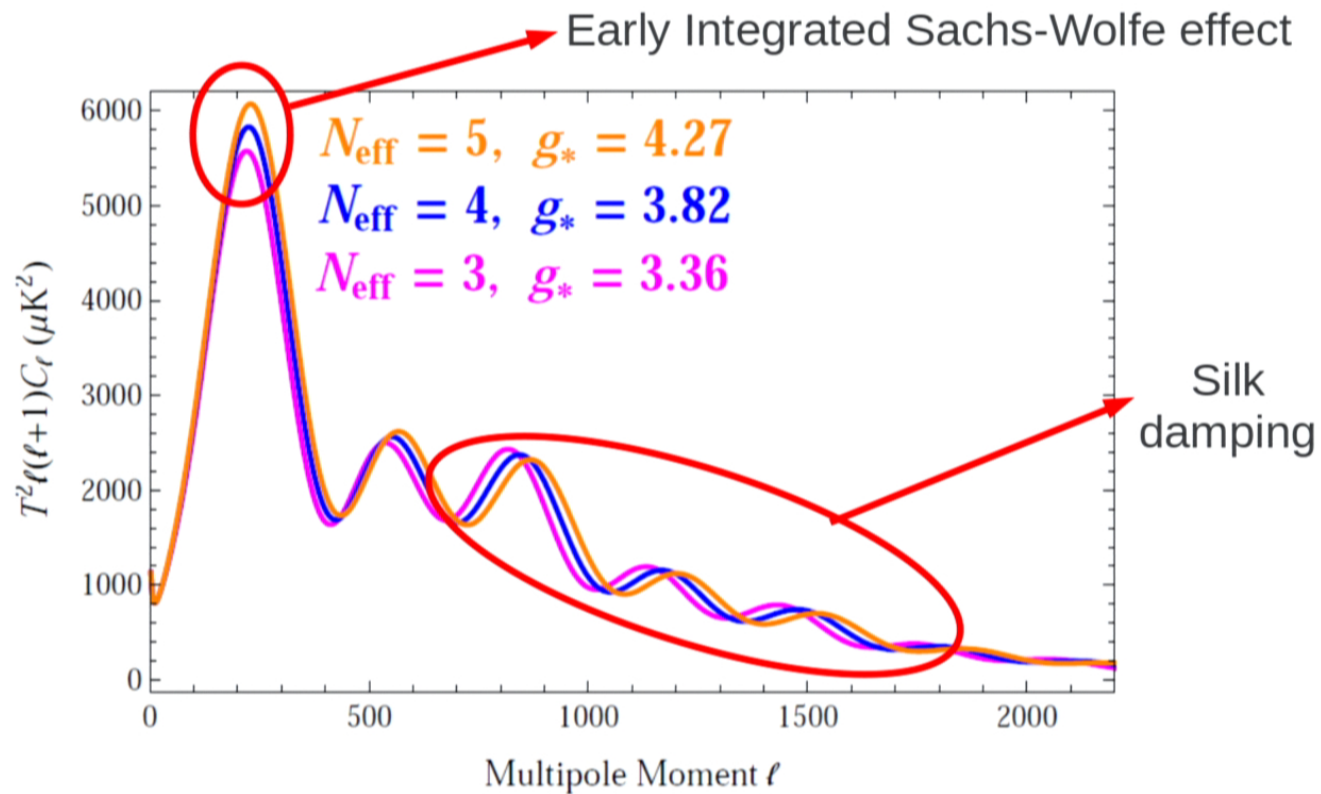


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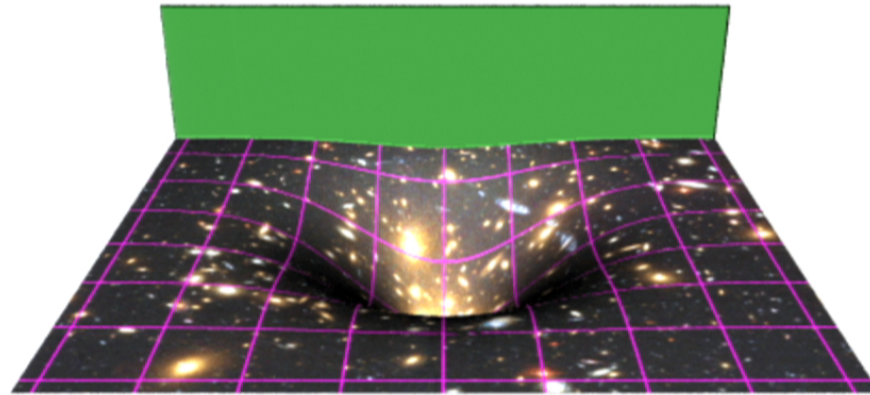
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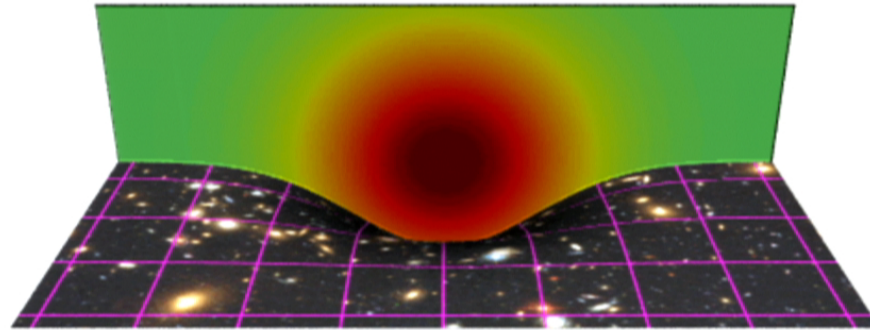


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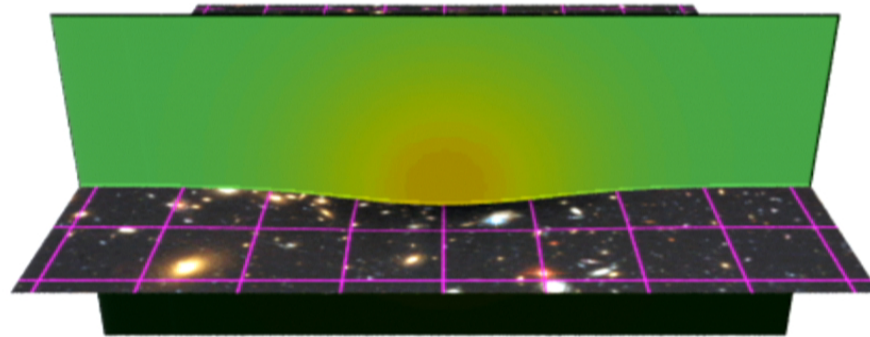
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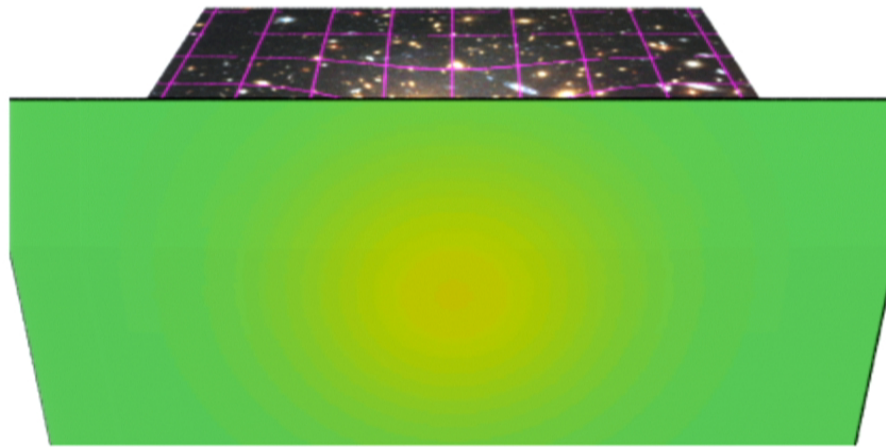
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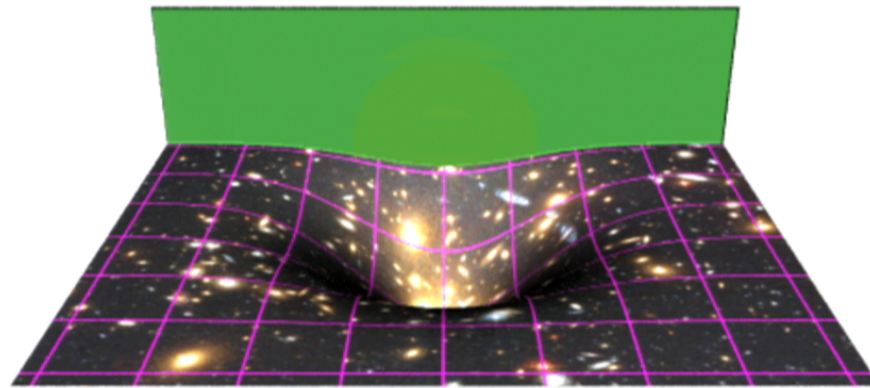
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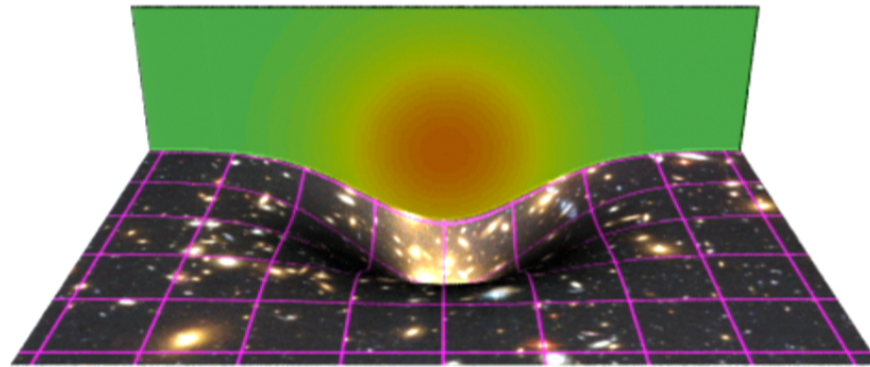
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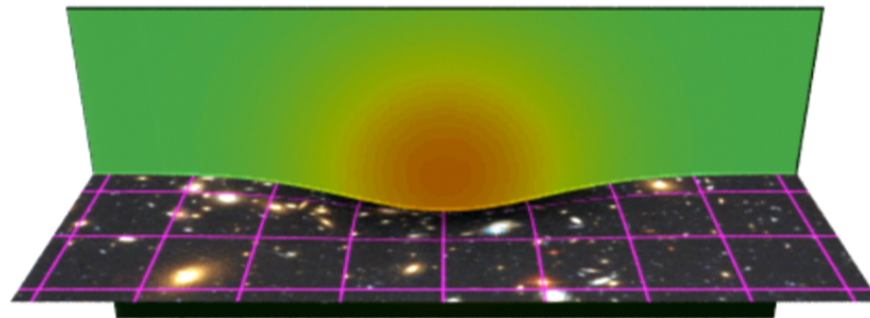
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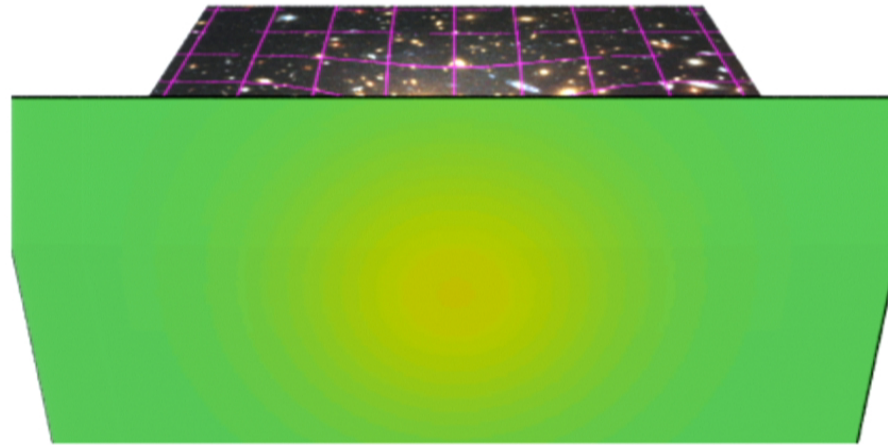


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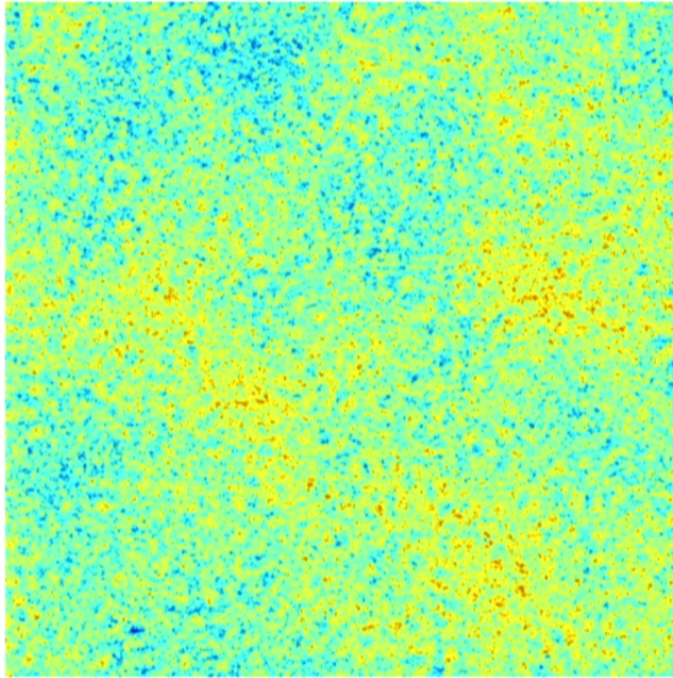
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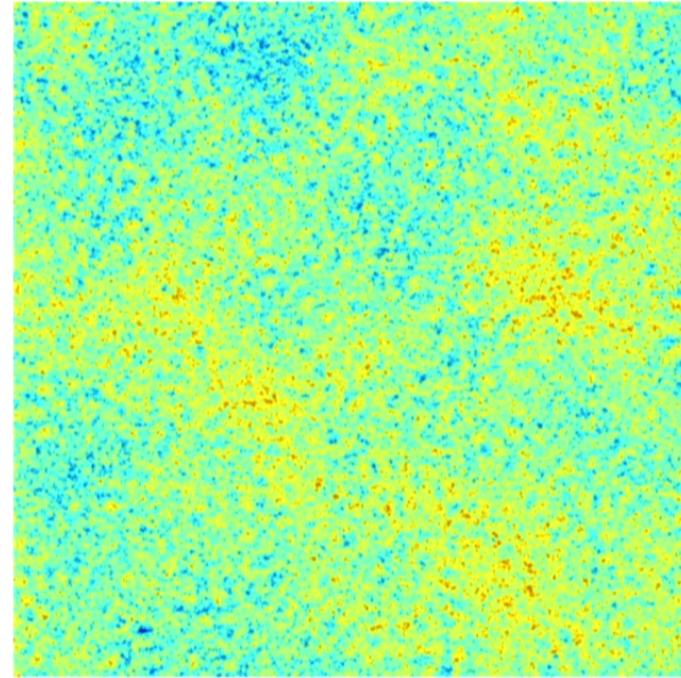


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# Silk Damping



$t \sim 100$  years



$t$  from 100 to 378,000 years

[http://cosmologist.info/notes/cmb\\_evolve.avi](http://cosmologist.info/notes/cmb_evolve.avi)

# Friedmann Equations

- Einstein equations relate expansion rate to energy density and pressure:

$$H^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3}\rho$$

$$\frac{\partial\rho}{\partial t} = -3H(\rho + P)$$

# Solutions to Boltzmann Equation

- Sufficiently rapidly interacting:

$$f(p, t) = \frac{1}{e^{E/T} \pm 1}$$

- Non-interacting:

$$f(p, t) = g(pa(t))$$

- Most other cases: Needs numerical solution

$$f(p, t) \equiv \frac{1}{e^{v(p,t)} \pm 1} \equiv \frac{1}{e^{p/T_{eff}(p,t)} \pm 1}$$

## Instantaneous Decoupling Approximation

- Instantaneous decoupling temperature:  
T at which  $\Gamma_X = H$

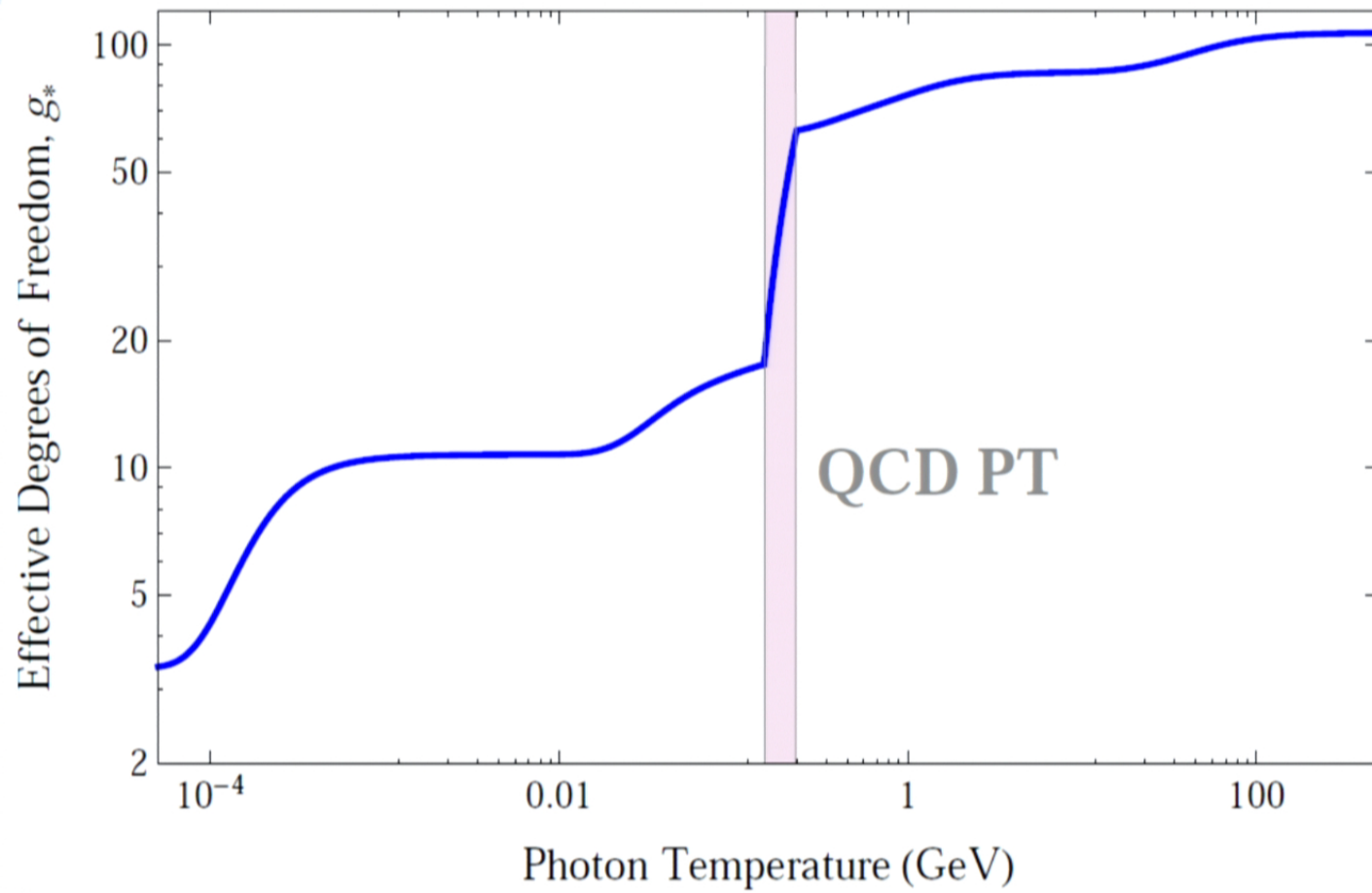
$$\Gamma_X = \sum_{j,k \rightarrow X,i} \frac{n_j n_k}{n_X} \langle \sigma v \rangle_{j,k \rightarrow X,i}$$

- Switch from thermal f to decoupled f instantaneously
- Good approximation when no nonequilibrium processes are occurring

# Species Annihilation and Entropy Redistributions

- Annihilation occurs when  $T \sim m$ :  
e.g.  $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma\gamma$
- Species not coupled receive no entropy; e.g. neutrinos
- Conservation of entropy implies

$$\frac{T_\nu^{\text{after}}}{T_\gamma^{\text{after}}} < \frac{T_\nu^{\text{before}}}{T_\gamma^{\text{before}}} \longrightarrow \frac{\rho_\nu^{\text{after}}}{\rho_\gamma^{\text{after}}} < \frac{\rho_\nu^{\text{before}}}{\rho_\gamma^{\text{before}}} \longrightarrow \Delta g_{*,\nu}^{\text{after}} < \Delta g_{*,\nu}^{\text{before}}$$





# New Physics Contributions

- In instantaneous decoupling framework, can map  $T_{dec}$  to contribution to  $g_*$  in CMB for any new light species:

$$\Delta g_* = g \left( \frac{3.91}{g_*(T_{dec})} \right)^{\frac{4}{3}} \quad \text{for } T_{dec} > 1 \text{ MeV}$$

# Precision Theory

- Cannot compute during QCD phase transition; loop corrections large, etc.
- For all models we considered:
  - Compute Feynman diagrams
  - Perform angular phase space integrations
  - Run code to solve Boltzmann equations
  - Extract  $\Delta g_*$  from distribution functions

# Models with New Light Species

- Two possibilities for having naturally light physics states:
  - Strong dynamics
    - Non-minimal
  - Symmetries
    - Shift symmetry
    - Chiral symmetry
    - Supersymmetry
    - Gauge redundancy

# Summary of Our Models

- Light sterile neutrinos:

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -m_{ij}\nu_{Ri}^c\nu_{Lj} - \frac{1}{2}M_{ij}\nu_{Ri}^c\nu_{Rj}^c + h.c.$$

- U(1)' with kinetic mixing with hypercharge:

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{\epsilon}{2}A'^{\mu\nu}B_{\mu\nu}$$

- U(1)' with dipole couplings to SM fermion:

$$\mathcal{L} \supset -\frac{1}{\Lambda}A'_{\mu\nu}\psi_R^c\sigma^{\mu\nu}\psi_L + h.c.$$

# Planck Sensitivity

- Resolution of Planck can probe couplings such that species decouples during or after QCD phase transition
- Ran code for all times after QCD phase transition to map effective couplings to  $g_*$

# Four-fermion Vector Example

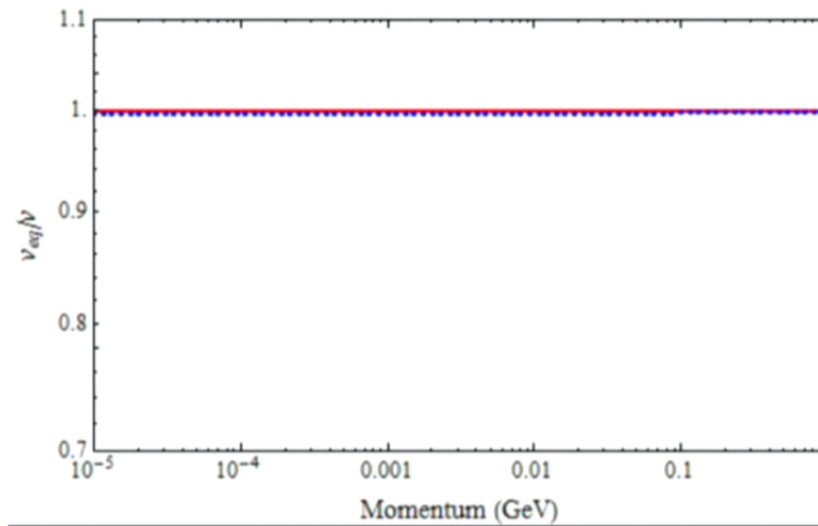
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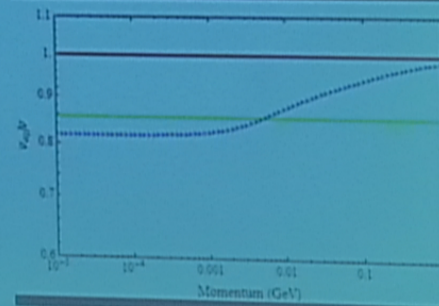
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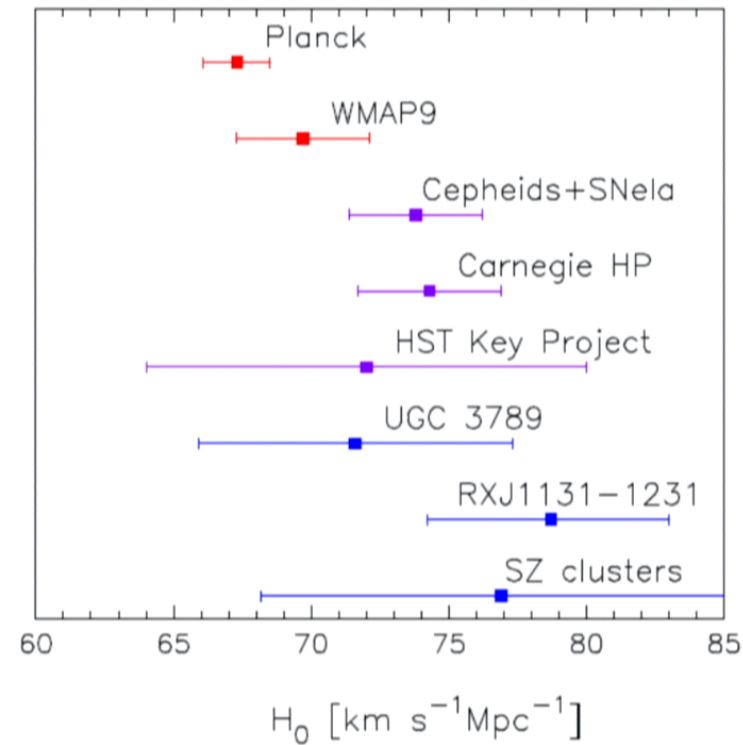
Model	Operator	Results
Goldstone bosons	$\frac{1}{\Lambda} \partial_\mu \phi \bar{\Psi} \gamma^\mu \gamma^5 \Psi$	Flavor-blind: Already excluded Muon-only: $\Delta g_* \leq 0.26$
Four-fermion V (S, P, A same to 5%; see text)	$\frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \chi^\dagger \bar{\sigma}^\mu \chi \bar{\Psi} \gamma_\mu \Psi$ $\frac{1}{\Lambda^2} \bar{\mathbf{X}} \gamma^\mu \mathbf{X} \bar{\Psi} \gamma_\mu \Psi$	Weyl: $\Lambda > 1$ TeV Dirac: $\Lambda > 5$ TeV
Sterile Neutrinos	Electroweak Interactions	Data-dependent
$U(1)'$	$\epsilon e \bar{\chi} A \chi$	$\epsilon < 10^{-8}$ for $10 \text{ MeV} \leq m_\chi \leq 150 \text{ MeV}$ $m_\chi > 150 \text{ MeV}$ : Decouples during/before QCD phase transition
$A'$ -dipole	$\frac{1}{\Lambda} A'_{\mu\nu} \bar{\Psi} \sigma^{\mu\nu} \Psi$	Flavor-blind: Already excluded Muon-only: $\Lambda > 10^3$ TeV



# Sterile Neutrinos

- Attempt to exclude even one decoupled sterile neutrino at temperature  $T_s$
- Analyze full effects of eV-scale state with CLASS and MontePython
- Use  $\Lambda$ CDM +  $\nu_s$  framework with  $m_s$  and  $T_s$  parameters

# Tension in Hubble Parameter



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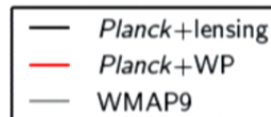
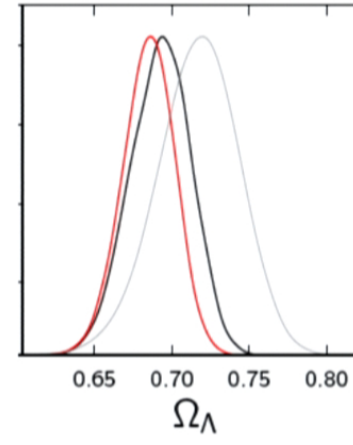
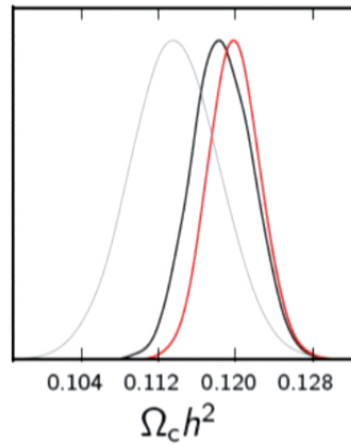
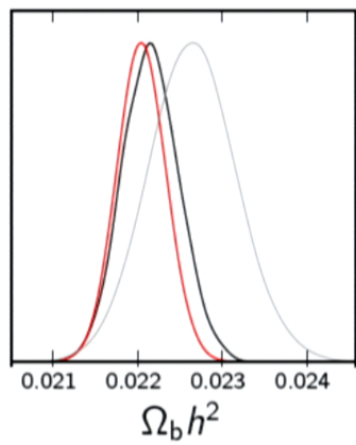
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$\nu\Lambda$ CDM: Neutrinos reconcile Planck with the Local Universe

Data	Model	$S\nu$
	$2\Delta \ln \mathcal{L}$	11.9
	$100\Omega_b h^2$	$2.272 \pm 0.027$
	$\Omega_c h^2$	$0.1183 \pm 0.0040$
Planck [3] + WMAP P. [7]	$100\theta_{MC}$	$1.0414 \pm 0.0006$
$H_0$ [5]	$\tau$	$0.096 \pm 0.014$
BAO [8–10]	$n_s$	$0.9798 \pm 0.0108$
X-ray Clusters [6]	$\ln A$	$3.101 \pm 0.030$
SNe (Union2) [11]	$N_{\text{eff}}$	$3.44 \pm 0.23$
High- $\ell$ CMB [12–14]	$\Sigma m_\nu, m_s$	$0.44 \pm 0.14$
	$\Omega_m$	$0.298 \pm 0.010$
	$H_0$	$70.0 \pm 1.2$
	$S_8$	$0.813 \pm 0.010$

Wyman et al, 1307.7715

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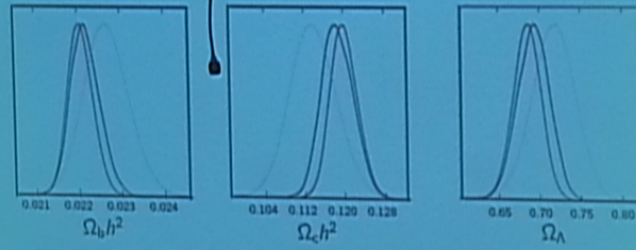
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— Planck+lensing  
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— WMAP9

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