

# Lecture ~~5~~ 6

With some thermodynamics background  
2021 Nov 07 (10-2023 Oct 21)

## Cosmic Microwave Background & Cosmic Temperature

- 1) Planck Law and Generalized Wien's Law
- 2) Integrated Planck Law
- 3)  $\lambda, \nu, E$  representations of spectral intensity of Planck's Law

3) DEBRA & CMB  
= Diffuse Extragalactic Background & the Cosmic Microwave Background

4) Proof that blackbody radiation stays blackbody with cosmological expansion (Really any expansion that has  $a \propto a$ )

5) Photon to Baryon Ratio

6) Simplified origin of CBR (Cosmic Background Radiation)

7) ~~Start with~~ maybe preview them

Do Radiation kept matter hot to decoupling

Note

$$P_m \propto \frac{1}{a^3}, P_r \propto \frac{1}{a^4}$$

rest was  $P_{\text{rem}} \propto \frac{1}{a^3}$

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# 1) Planck Law & Generalized Wien Law

$$B_r = \frac{2hc^2}{\lambda^5} \frac{1}{e^x - 1} \quad \text{or} \quad B_\nu = \frac{2h\nu^3}{c^2} \frac{1}{e^x - 1}$$

$$x = \frac{hc}{kT\lambda}$$

$$x = \frac{h\nu}{kT}$$

$$B_r dr = -B_\lambda d\lambda$$

$$B_r = B_\lambda \frac{c}{\nu^2} d\nu$$

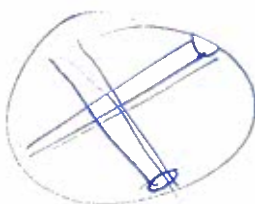
$$= \frac{2hc^2 \nu^5}{c^2} \frac{1}{e^x - 1} \frac{c}{\nu^2}$$

$$= \frac{2h\nu^3}{c^2} \frac{1}{e^x - 1}$$

$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{-ve} \\ \text{since} \\ d\lambda < 0 \\ \text{given} \\ d\nu > 0 \\ d = \frac{c}{\nu} \\ d\lambda = -\frac{c}{\nu^2} d\nu \end{array} \right\}$

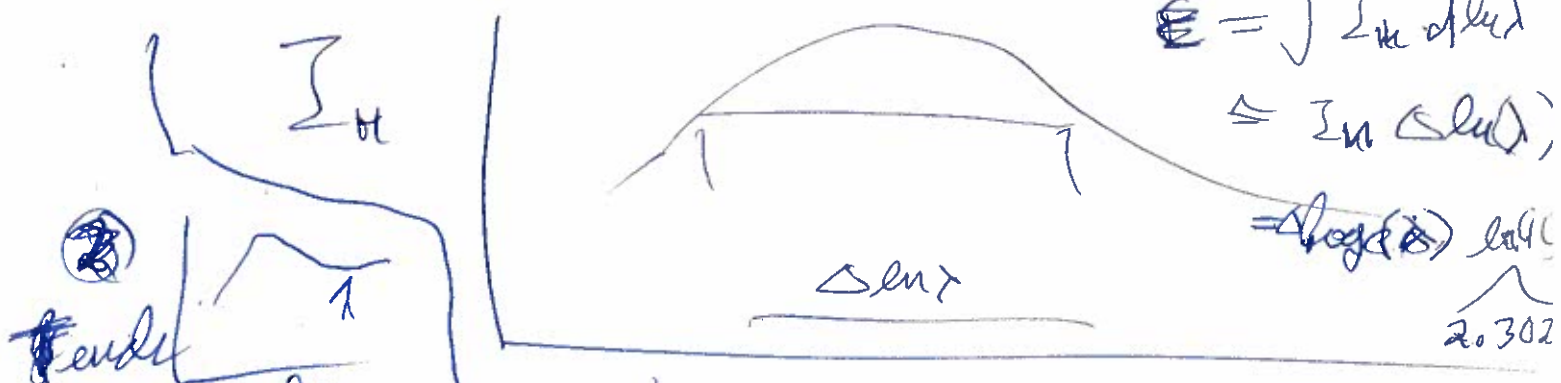
$$B_\lambda = \frac{2hc^2}{\left(\frac{hc}{kT}\right)^5} \frac{1}{e^x - 1}$$

$B_\nu$



③ Also if you plot

Interstellar energy not photons  $10^{-009}$



$$E = \int I_{\text{inc}} d\Omega d\lambda$$

$$\approx I_{\text{inc}}(\Delta\Omega)$$

$$= \text{Area}(\Delta\Omega) \text{ label}$$

② ends to flatten  $I_x$  and smaller  $I_y$  plot vertical range (good for visualization) so make  $I_{\text{inc}}$  or  $I_{\text{inc}}$  or  $I_{\text{inc}}$

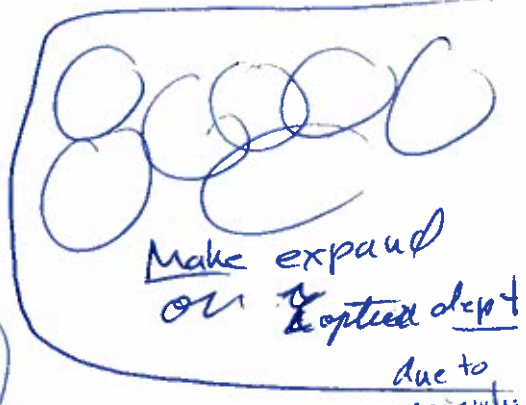
all the sun

DEBRA: CMB  $\sim 100 \cdot 2 = 200$

Rest of DEBRA  $0.3 + 0.3 \cdot 5 + 0.03 \cdot 10 \approx 30$

Diffuse extragalactic Background radiation

So CMB is main EAR component of DEBRA



Show image sometime

d) Optical Depth from decoupling since we are discussing Specific Intensity from the Lec 10 surf

① CMB  $\rightarrow$  from CBR at decoupling patchy over large patches  $\tau \approx .05 - .1$  (NASA page 2021)

Optical depth from decoupling to now

in free electron Thomson scattered

$I_{\nu}$   $Z_{\text{int}}$  gal  $\nu_{\text{obs}}$   $Z_{\text{em}}$   $\nu_{\text{em}}$

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$\tau \ll 1$

$$I_{\text{decou}} e^{-\tau}$$

$$\approx I_{\text{decou}} (1 - \tau)$$

$$= I_{\text{decou}} (.95 \leftrightarrow .9)$$

$$= I_{\text{now}}$$



$\Delta T$  fluctuations

$\Delta P$  fluct

initial conditions for LES

is  
soo  
otherwise  
initial  
of CBR  
would be  
washed away

and  
at  
a  
boat  
initial  
density  
fluctuations  
could  
be  
raised  
which  
is so  
vital  
for our  
initial  
conditions  
of large  
scale  
structure  
formation

Would be  $\tau \approx \tau_{\text{decoupling}}$   
for rest of DEBRA

(at least once  
it escapes  
galaxies where  
it might  
scatter  
somewhat)

CBR at decoupling



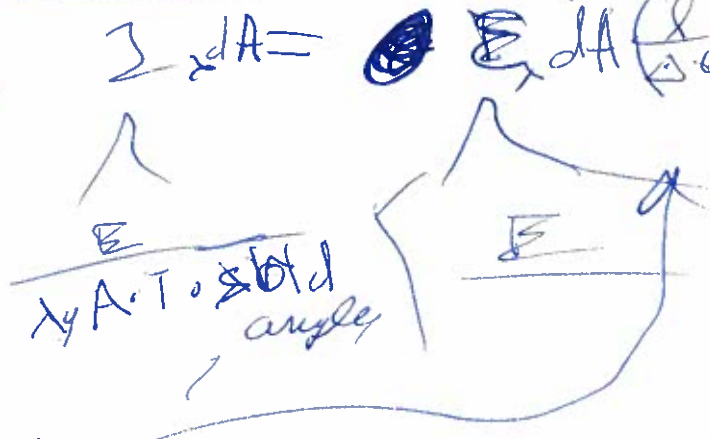
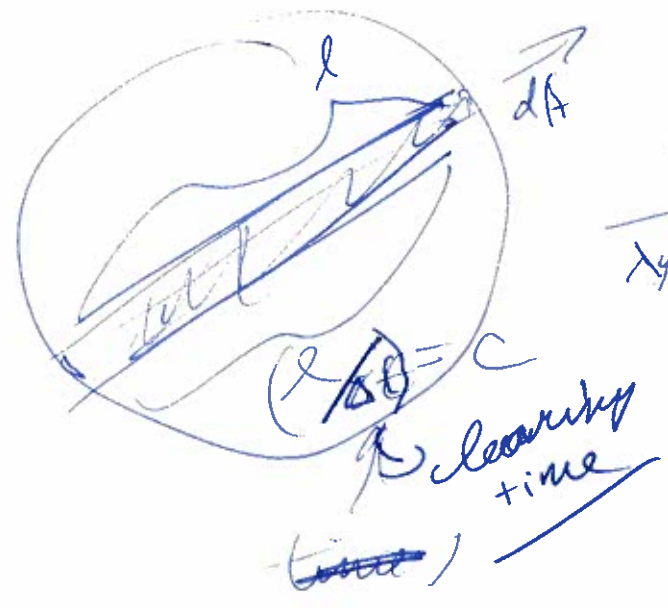
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Dobra patches  
on galaxy  
size

CBR  
patches  
But can't  
find how much  
now.

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dV

e) Energy density & specific intensity



$\int dA = \int E_r dA \left( \frac{r}{\sigma} \right)$

$\frac{E}{4\pi A \cdot T \cdot \text{solid angle}}$

$I_\lambda = c E_\lambda$   
 $\frac{I_\lambda}{c} = E_\lambda$

energy density per solid angle

$E_\lambda = \int E_\lambda d\Omega$

$= \frac{4\pi}{c} \int \frac{I_\lambda}{4\pi} d\Omega$

$= \frac{4\pi}{c} \bar{I}_\lambda$

mean intensity

Integrated over solid angle

Special Case of interest

$E_{\text{Planckian energy density}} = \frac{4\pi}{c} B_T$

Planck law specific intensity

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## 2) Planck Law & Generalized Wien's Law

$$B_\lambda = \frac{2hc^2}{\lambda^5} \frac{1}{e^x - 1}, \quad B_\nu = \frac{2h\nu^3}{c^2} \frac{1}{e^x - 1}$$

$$= \frac{2hc^2}{\left(\frac{hc}{kT}\right)^5} \frac{x^5}{e^x - 1}, \quad = \frac{2h}{c^2} \frac{(kT)^3}{\left(\frac{hc}{kT}\right)^3} \frac{x^3}{e^x - 1}$$

$$x = \frac{hc}{\lambda kT} = x = \frac{h\nu}{kT}$$

$$B_\nu \rightarrow \frac{x^3}{e^x - 1}$$

$$B_\lambda \rightarrow \frac{x^5}{e^x - 1}$$

$$B_H \rightarrow \frac{x^2}{e^x - 1}$$

$$B_{\nu^2} \rightarrow \frac{x^2}{e^x - 1}$$

$$B_\nu = B_\lambda \left( \frac{d\lambda}{d\nu} \right)$$

$$= B_\lambda \frac{c}{\nu^2}$$

$$= \frac{2hc^3}{c^2} \frac{\nu^5}{\nu^2} \frac{1}{e^x - 1}$$

$$= \frac{2h\nu^3}{c^2} \frac{1}{e^x - 1} \quad \text{confirmed}$$

$$B_H = \lambda B_\lambda = \nu B_\nu$$

$$= \frac{2hc^2}{\lambda^4} \frac{1}{e^x - 1} = \frac{2h\nu^4}{c^2} \frac{1}{e^x - 1} = c \frac{x^4}{e^x - 1}$$

$\frac{c^2}{\lambda^4} = \frac{\nu^4}{c^2}$  explicitly the same.

1)  $\lambda, \nu, E$ , and  $h\nu$  (photon energy) (10-003)

Representations of Specific intensity

& Miscellaneous Topic

a)  $I_{\lambda} = \frac{\text{Energy flow}}{(\text{per Area}) (\text{per } \lambda \text{ perpendicular to direction of flow}) (\text{per time}) (\text{per solid angle})}$

$I = \lambda, \nu, E$

There must be the same energy per corresponding  $d\lambda, d\nu, dE$  interval

$-d\lambda$  is positive if  $d\lambda < 0$

$-ve$  sign be decrease in  $\lambda$  corresponds to increase in  $\nu$  and  $E$

$\therefore -d\lambda > 0$

$I_E dE = I_{\nu} d\nu = I_{\lambda} (-d\lambda)$

$E = \frac{h\nu = hc}{\lambda}, \quad \nu = \frac{c}{\lambda}, \quad \lambda = \frac{c}{\nu} = \frac{hc}{E}$

$\therefore I_{\nu} = I_{\lambda} \left( -\frac{d\lambda}{d\nu} \right)$

$= I_{\lambda} \frac{c}{\lambda^2} = I_{\lambda} \frac{\nu^2}{c}$

$\therefore I_E = I_{\nu} \frac{d\nu}{dE} = I_{\nu} \frac{1}{h}$

per energy

per  $\nu$

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Now

$$E I_E \frac{dE}{E} = v I_v \frac{dv}{v} = \lambda I_\lambda \left( -\frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} \right)$$

$$E I_E d \ln E = v I_v d \ln v = -\lambda I_\lambda (d \ln \lambda)$$

$$\text{but } \ln v = \ln c \Rightarrow d \ln v = 0$$

$$d \ln v = -d \ln \lambda$$

$$\text{and } \ln E = \ln h + \ln v$$

$$d \ln E = d \ln v = -d \ln \lambda$$

$$\therefore E I_E = v I_v = \lambda I_\lambda = I_H$$

my own name  
but you see  
the form a lot  
these days.

The hydroed  
representation.

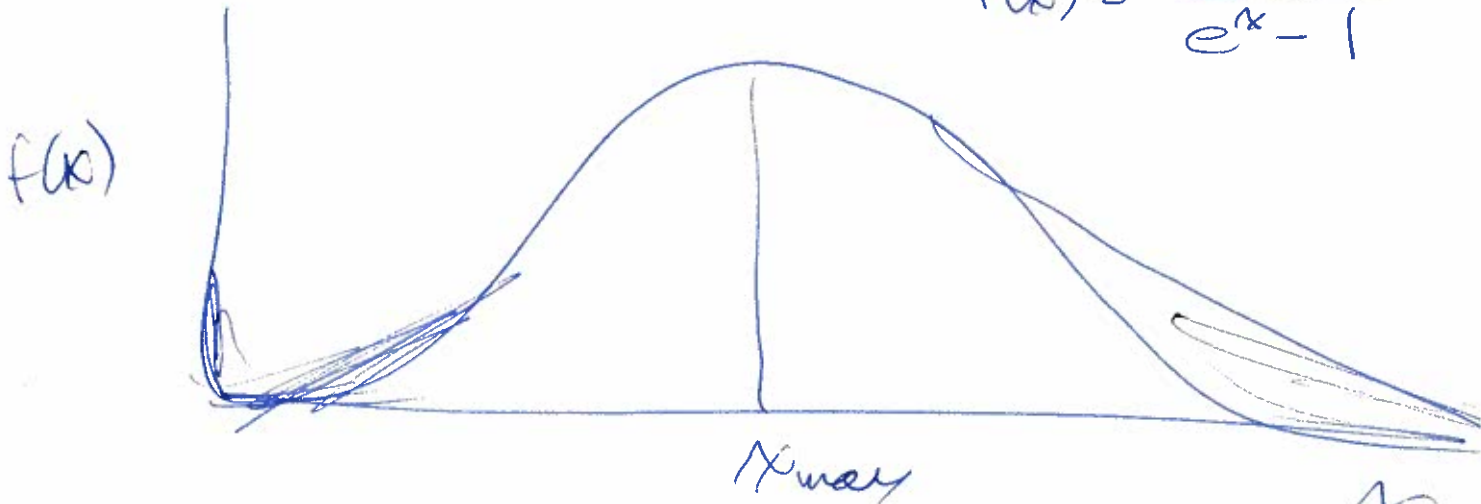
Why? ① It's the same value  
whether written as a function  
of  $E, v, \lambda$ .

Probably main reason



~~Both~~ All Planck law representations  $\int_0^{\infty} \dots$  have the form

$$f(x) = \frac{x^z}{e^x - 1}$$



$f(x) = \frac{x^z}{e^x - 1} \approx \frac{x^z}{x}$  general case  
 for small  $x$   $z < 1$  (we won't solve with this case)

$x^{z-1}$   
 $z=1$  case  $1 < z < 2$   $z=2$   
 $z > 2$

$\leftarrow$  stationary point in this case  $z > 2$ .

$x^z e^{-x}$  for  $x \gg 1$

$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^z}{e^x} = 0$  by L'Hopital's rule for any  $z$

so in fact  $x = \infty$  is a stationary minimum.

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For Maximum

$$\frac{dF}{dx} = \frac{zA_0^{z-1}}{e^{Ax}-1} - \frac{Ax^2}{(e^{Ax}-1)^2} = 0$$

Already know  $x=0$

gives a zero  
(but only stationary  
for  $z > 2$

and  $x = \infty$  is a  
stationary minimum

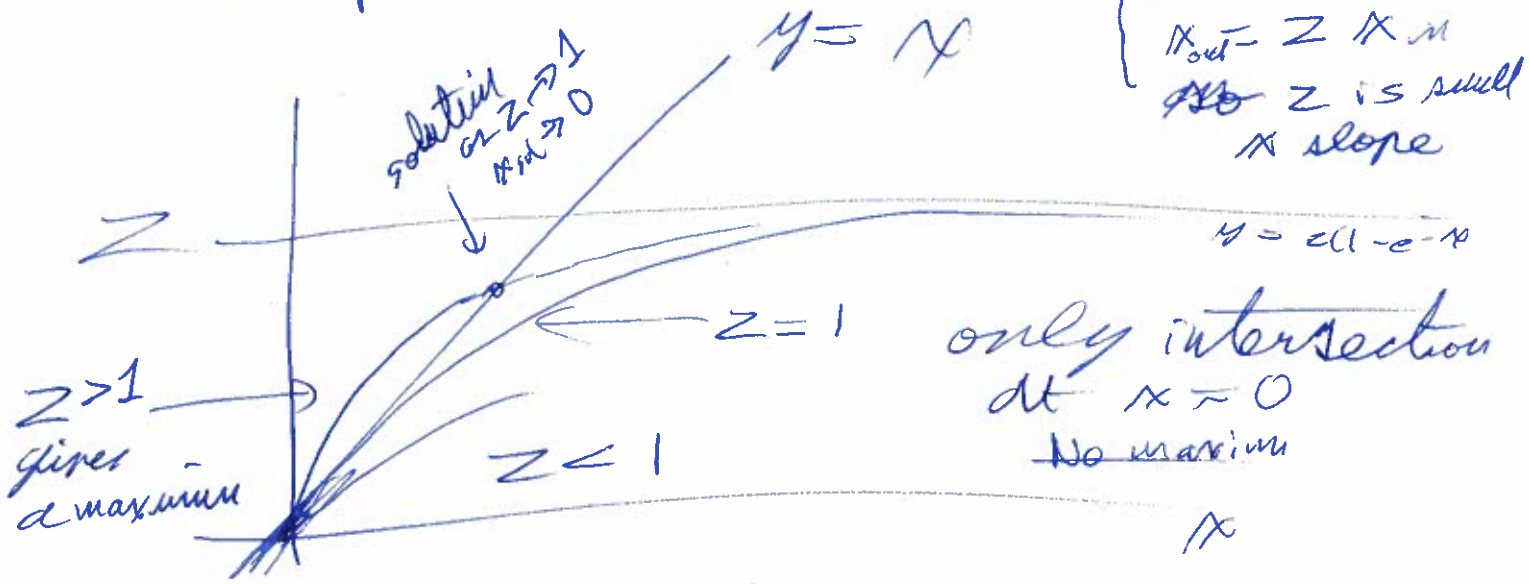
$$z(e^{Ax}-1) - Ax^2 = 0$$

Iteration  
formula  
for solution

$$x_{\text{max}} = z(1 - e^{-x_{\text{old}}}) \rightarrow x_{\text{new}}$$

Graphical solution

for  $x < 1$   
 $x_{\text{out}} = z x_{\text{in}}$   
~~for~~  $z$  is small  
 $x$  slope



In fact for  $z > 0$

$$x = z(1 - e^{-x})$$

$$x_2 = z(1 - e^{-x_1})$$

is an iteration formula that always converges

- fast for  $z \gg 1$
- slower as  $z \rightarrow 1$   
 $\rightarrow$  very slow

which I won't prove

In fact for  $z \gg 1$ ,

$$x = z$$

$$x = z(1 - e^{-z})$$

for  $z = 2, 3, \dots$

Can we find a good solution are asymptotically good.

for  $z = 1 + \Delta z$  with  $\Delta z \ll 1$

and can one find an excellent interpolation formula for  $x_{max}$

Yes & yes.

Substitute with  $1 + \Delta z$  and expand in small  $x$

$$x = (1 + \Delta z) \left[ 1 - \left( 1 - x + \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \dots \right) \right]$$

$$x = (1 + \Delta z) \left( x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \dots \right)$$

$$= x + \Delta z x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \Delta z \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \dots$$

$$1 = 1 + \Delta z - \frac{1}{2}x - \Delta z \left( \frac{1}{2}x \right) + \dots$$

$$0 = \Delta z - \frac{1}{2}x - \Delta z \left( \frac{1}{2}x \right) + \dots$$

(10-01)

keeping only 1<sup>st</sup> order terms in small  $\alpha$  &  $\Delta z$

$\frac{\Delta z}{e-1}$   
maximizing  $\alpha$  recall

$$X = 2\Delta z$$

is the 1<sup>st</sup> order in small  $\Delta z$  solution.

Then by some mechanical insight (and some foolery around)

I deduced

$$X_{int} = z(1 - e^{-(z - \frac{1}{z})})$$

is a good interpolation solution

$$X(z \gg 1) = z(1 - e^{-z})$$

the asymptotic large solution

$$X_{int}(\Delta z \ll 1) = (1 + \Delta z) \left[ 1 - e^{-(1 + \Delta z - \frac{1}{1 + \Delta z})} \right]$$

↑  
geometric series

$$(1 + \Delta z) - (1 - \Delta z) \left[ 1 - \Delta z + \dots \right]$$
$$= 2\Delta z$$

and  $1 - e^{-2\Delta z} = 2\Delta z$  to 1<sup>st</sup> order

$$X_{out}(\Delta z \ll 1) = (1 + \Delta z)(2\Delta z) \quad (10-013)$$

=  $2\Delta z$  to 1<sup>st</sup> order

$$X_{int} = z(1 - e^{-(z - \frac{1}{2})})$$

asymptotically exact

as  $z \rightarrow 1$

as  $z \rightarrow \infty$

Always a slight underestimate elsewhere

with maximum relative error

error  $\sim 3\%$  at  $z \approx 1.5$



Radlib/math3.4  
proportion

Improved version  
relative error  
=  $-0.132001e$

at  $z = 2.1$

0.132%

But the Bell polynomial one does order of mag better as  $z \rightarrow \infty$

Greatest error for interval region

~~Not~~ where Not  $\Delta z \ll 1$  and Not  $z \gg 1$

So  $\Delta z \approx \frac{1}{2}$  and  $z \approx 2$  between region

Excellent for a simple formula

One can even do better and hit ~~high~~ more low order and high order expansion series terms exactly and get an interpolation formula asymptotically correct both  $z \rightarrow 1$  and  $z \rightarrow \infty$

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and maximum error

$\sim \frac{3}{10^4}$  at  $z = 1.8$   
(calib/math3.A)

And you learn about Bell's polynomials too.

(This is real thrilling part of this exercise in ~~over~~ numerical overkill)

The educational point was to find a high accuracy way of interpolating between ~~low and high~~ ~~expansion~~ low and high parameter expansions.

Results

z -	x <sub>max</sub> <small>(double precision 1e-18 hold down error)</small>	Comment
2	1.593624...	photon density
3	2.821439...	v representation
4	3.920690...	hybrid representation
5	4.965119...	A representation

Wanting to know this value really ~~was~~ the origin of this long tedious project

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$$N_{max} = \frac{h\nu}{kT} = \frac{hc}{kT\lambda}$$

and so serial

$$N_{max} = \frac{kT}{h} N_{max}(z=3)$$

Fommas Wien law  
(or Wein Displacement law)

$$\lambda_{max} = \frac{hc}{kT} \frac{1}{N_{max}(z=5)}$$
$$= \frac{2.897771955 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m K}}{T}$$

$$\lambda_{max} = \frac{2.897.771... \mu\text{m K}}{T}$$



and  $N_{max}(z=5)$  is exact  
But irrational

exact since  $h, c, k$  are now defined as exact

$$k = 1.380649 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J K}^{-1}$$

$$h = 6.6260701 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J s}$$

$$c = 2.99 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$

(NIST)

all constants

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### 3) Integrated Planck Law (10-017)

↳ i.e. integrated over all frequency

a) Recall  $B_\nu = \frac{2 h \nu^3}{c^2} \frac{1}{e^{h\nu/kT} - 1}$  (W/m<sup>2</sup>)

Recall the connection between specific intensity (or like quantities) and density is  $\frac{4\pi}{c}$

factor (see p. 10-017)

$B_\nu$ ,  $B_T$  and  $B_{\text{mixed}}$  (with differentiated  $d \ln \nu$ )

all yield the same ~~energy~~ ~~integrated~~ integrated energy, of course.

Photon ~~density~~ specific intensity  $B_\nu = \frac{1}{h\nu} B_\nu$  and yields a different value

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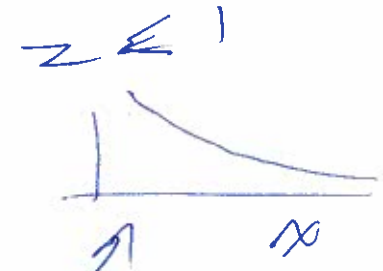
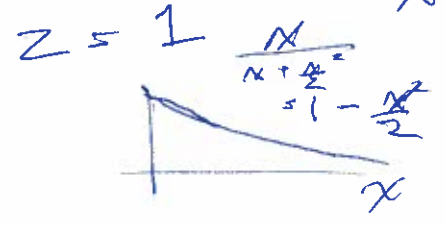
b) So in general we need to integrate

2 by 2 function integrated aside from constants (Vik)

$$F = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^z}{e^x - 1} dx$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} x^z e^{-x} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (e^{-x})^l dx$$

using the geometric series (which I find infinitely useful)



Does this converge?

Uninteresting

(question even to me)

$$= \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} x^z e^{-(l+1)x} dx$$

$$= \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(l+1)^{z+1}} \int_0^{\infty} x^z e^{-x} dx$$

$x_{new} = (l+1)x_{old}$

$$= \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(l+1)^{z+1}}$$

$$= z! \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{l^{z+1}}$$

Art - 543  
factorial function

$$= z! \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{l^{z+1}} = z! \zeta(z+1)$$

Riemann Zeta function  
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c) Cases of interest

~~Energy density~~

$$B = \frac{2h}{c^2} \left(\frac{kT}{h}\right)^4 \int_0^\infty \frac{x^3}{e^x - 1} dx$$

$$N = \frac{2h}{c^2} \left(\frac{kT}{h}\right)^3 \int_0^\infty \frac{x^2}{e^x - 1} dx$$

$$N = \frac{4\pi}{c} \frac{2h}{c^2} \left(\frac{kT}{h}\right)^3 \frac{2!}{2!} \zeta(3)$$

$$B = \frac{2h}{c^2} \left(\frac{kT}{h}\right)^4 \frac{3!}{3!} \zeta(4)$$

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 No  $\pi$  factors  
 from the odd  
 Riemann-Zeta  
 functions

$$\frac{\pi^4}{90}$$

$$= \frac{\pi^4}{15} \frac{2h}{c^2} \left(\frac{kT}{h}\right)^4$$

$$E = \frac{4\pi}{c} B = \cancel{4\pi}$$

$$= \frac{4\pi}{c} \frac{\pi^4}{15} \frac{2h}{c^2} \left(\frac{k}{h}\right)^4 T^4$$

$$= a_r T^4$$

$$\sigma = \frac{\pi^5}{15} \frac{2h}{c^2} \left(\frac{k}{h}\right)^4$$

Wiki Stefan-Boltzmann  
 Law  
 confirms

Radiation constant  
 (with Stefan-Boltzmann  
 Law)

$$a_r = 7.5657 \times 10^{-16}$$

$$a = \frac{4\sigma}{c}$$

$$\frac{J}{m^3 K^4}$$

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Energy not energy per unit volume  
 $\mathcal{E}$  is energy density

d) Entropy & Pressure of Planck Photon gas

$$d\mathcal{E} = Tds - PdV + \mu dN$$

$\mu = 0$   
 chemical potential zero for photon gas since number conservation not imposed in establishing thermodynamic equilibrium

$$\left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial V}\right)_S = -P, \quad \left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial S}\right)_V = T$$

natural variables  $\mathcal{E}(T, V)$

But we have  $\mathcal{E} = aT^4 V = \mathcal{E}V$   
 $= \mathcal{E}(T, V)$

$$dS = \left(\frac{d\mathcal{E}}{T}\right)_V$$

constant volume

$$= \frac{d\mathcal{E}}{\left(\frac{\mathcal{E}}{aV}\right)^{1/4}}$$

$$S = (aV)^{1/4} \mathcal{E}^{3/4} + \text{Constant}$$

ret to zero

$$\mathcal{E} = \left(\frac{S}{(aV)^{1/4}}\right)^{4/3} = \frac{S^{4/3}}{(aV)^{1/3}}$$

No reason not to

$$\left(\frac{\partial \mathcal{E}}{\partial V}\right)_S = -\frac{1}{3} \frac{\mathcal{E}}{V} \quad \text{and so } P = \frac{1}{3} aT^4 = \frac{1}{3} \mathcal{E}$$

a famous formula

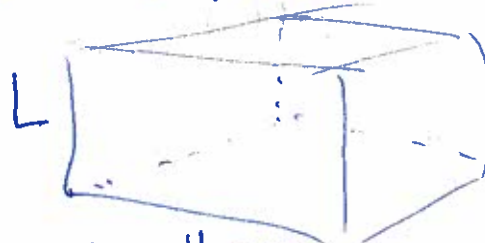
this result can also be derived from classical particles and quantum mechanical particles - a nice consistency.

$\mathcal{E} = aT^4$

# 6024 | f) Quantum Derivation

Imagine an infinite square well that a cube of side length  $L$

Then  $V = L^3$  or  $L = V^{1/3}$



standing waves

zero BCs

$$L_x = n \frac{\lambda_x}{2}$$

$$k_x = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda_x}$$

$$\propto \frac{1}{L_x} \propto \frac{1}{V^{1/3}}$$

same for y and z

travelling waves

Periodic BCs

$$L_x = n \lambda_x$$

$$k_x = 2\pi / \lambda_x$$

$$k_x \propto \frac{1}{L_x} \propto \frac{1}{V^{1/3}}$$

same for y, z

These give the same answer for density of states.

Textbooks ~~often~~ say the BCs shouldn't matter deep in interior, but since BCs matter in all other physics problems, textbooks seem to glitch. I can understand why the shape of volume shouldn't matter for ~~large~~ high  $k$  (small  $\lambda$ ) modes, maybe that is all textbooks mean. ~~Boundary BCs are~~ What if you don't really have BCs like deep in a star or the universe or a globe, Textbooks pass over crucial point in silence. Perhaps just a lucky argument. You get same answer asymptotically if you divide a volume up into cubes of any size, and so the answer must be the same even with no cubes — ~~no~~ or boundaries. Can't complete discussion here

In any case

$$E \propto \sum_i k_i^2 \quad \text{where sum is over all particles in the completely delocalized states}$$

$q=1$  for ER,  $E_{tot} = P \propto \frac{1}{V^{1/3}}$

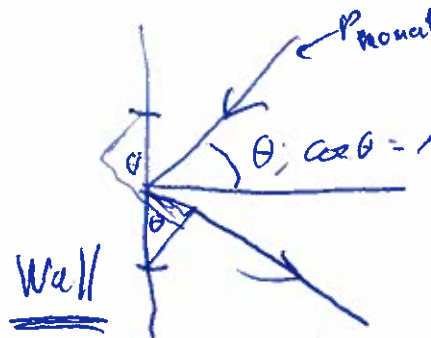
$q=2$  for NR,  $E_{tot} = \frac{p^2}{2m} \propto \frac{1}{V^{2/3}}$

Expanding adiabatically  $dE = -P dV$

$$\therefore P = - \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial V} \right)_S = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{3} \frac{E}{V} = \frac{2}{3} E & \text{NR} \\ \frac{1}{3} \frac{E}{V} = \frac{1}{3} E & \text{ER} \end{cases}$$

Now we think of the particles so far in completely delocalized states. But they can be in compact wave packets ~~and~~ just ~~the~~ as discussed in section (e) as classical particles and results don't change.  $P$  just depends on  $E$  and not on the distribution, could be thermodynamic or anything.

e) Classical Particle Derivation (gases)  $\left[ \frac{p}{m} \text{ classical NR limit} \right]$



Pressure  $dP dA = 2 \mu P \frac{N}{4\pi} n(p) dp d\Omega \mu dA$

component of momentum toward surface

momentum solid angle perpendicular surface etc

number density of particles  $n(p)$

Flow in one direction

Per momentum magnitude  $|p|$

accounts for change in momentum of particles on powder of rigid surface

$$P = \frac{2}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \mu^2 d\mu \sqrt{\frac{p^2}{m}} n(p) dp$$

$$P = \frac{1}{3} \int_0^\infty p n(p) dp$$

Flow NR limit  $E_{avg} = \frac{p^2}{2m} = \frac{1}{2} v P$

non-relativistic limit

ER limit extreme relativistic limit  $E_{kin} = pc = \mu P$

$P = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \frac{2}{3} E & \text{NR} \\ \frac{1}{3} E & \text{ER} \end{array} \right\}$  when  $E$  is energy per unit volume: i.e., energy density.

Note these results do not depend on  $n(p)$ : i.e., on how the particles are distributed in momentum magnitude, just on on instantaneous energy density. So the gas doesn't have to be in thermodynamic equilibrium.

If the gas volume is changed adiabatically, No heat energy change added and no particle number change (or zero chemical potential);

$$dE = -P dV$$

$E = E(V, S)$  and  $P = P(E)$

Note we have called the particles, but they could also be compact wave packets in QM.  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} P \text{ just depends on instantaneous energy} \\ \text{not on } \dots \text{ or energy distribution} \\ \text{even though it is one } P = - \left( \frac{\partial E}{\partial V} \right) \end{array} \right.$

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# 4) Proof That

## Planckian Radiation

### Field stays Planckian

### Under Universal Expansion

(on actually Adiabatic expansion in general)

No significant heat sources or sinks and ~~adiabatic expansion~~ is not necessarily required in individual photon conversion though that has been nearly true since decoupling  $\rightarrow$   $z \approx 10^4$  -  $10^5$

## Recall cosmological redshift quick derivation

$$\frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} = \frac{rdv}{c} = + \frac{H dr}{c} = \frac{c}{a} \frac{da}{c} = \frac{da}{a}$$



Somewhat mysteriously turning an approximation into a differential equation

Well do isn't just the difference in infinitesimal velocity - It corresponds to an infinitesimal change in velocity and space between photon locations,

Still pondering the correct interpretation (see lecture & notes p. 36 ff)  $\hookrightarrow$  for my best argument

$$\ln \lambda = \ln a$$

$$\lambda = \lambda_1 \left(\frac{a}{a_1}\right) \text{ or } \lambda_1 = \lambda \left(\frac{a_1}{a}\right)$$

where  $\lambda$  is some fiducial epoch in the past say

$$\text{or } r = r_1 \left(\frac{a_1}{a}\right)$$

$$r_1 = r \left(\frac{a}{a_1}\right)$$

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conversion  
from  
is of units  
to units

In parallel  
Photon number Density  
& Specific Intensity

(Sep, 10-008)

$$N_{\nu} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \int \nu^2 B_{\nu} d\nu$$

$$N_{\lambda} = \frac{4\pi}{c} \int \frac{1}{\lambda^2} B_{\lambda} d\lambda$$

~~$$N_{\lambda_1} d\lambda_1 = \frac{4\pi}{c} \int \frac{2c}{\lambda_1^2} \frac{1}{e^{h\nu_1/kT_1}} d\lambda_1$$

$$= \frac{4\pi}{c} \int \frac{2c}{\lambda_1^2} \frac{1}{e^{hc/(\lambda_1 T_1)}} d\lambda_1$$~~

$$N_{\lambda_1} d\lambda_1 = \frac{4\pi}{c} \frac{2c}{\lambda_1^2} \frac{1}{e^{h\nu_1/kT_1}} d\lambda_1$$

$$= \frac{2\pi}{c} \frac{2c}{\lambda_1^2} \frac{1}{e^{h\nu_1/kT_1}} d\lambda_1$$

$$= \left(\frac{a}{a_1}\right)^3 \frac{4\pi}{c} \frac{2c}{\lambda_1^2} \frac{d\lambda_1}{e^{h\nu_1/kT_1}}$$

As mathematicians  
would say  
nothing forbids  
us from setting

$$\lambda_1 = \lambda$$

$$\frac{hc}{kT_1 \lambda_1} = \frac{hc}{kT \lambda}$$

$$B_{\nu} = \frac{2h\nu^3}{c^2} \frac{1}{e^{\nu}} d\nu$$

$$B_{\lambda} = \frac{2hc^2}{\lambda^5} \frac{1}{e^{\nu}} d\lambda$$

~~$$B_{\lambda_1} d\lambda_1 = \frac{2hc^2}{\lambda_1^5} \frac{1}{e^{h\nu_1/kT_1}} d\lambda_1$$

$$= \frac{2hc^2}{\lambda_1^5} \frac{1}{e^{hc/(\lambda_1 T_1)}} d\lambda_1$$~~

Go from part to present  
or reverse: same

$$B_{\lambda_1} d\lambda_1 = \frac{2hc^2}{\lambda_1^5} \frac{1}{e^{h\nu_1/kT_1}} d\lambda_1$$

$$= \frac{2hc^2}{\lambda_1^5} \frac{1}{e^{h\nu_1/kT_1}} d\lambda_1$$

$$= \left(\frac{a}{a_1}\right)^4 \frac{2hc^2}{\lambda_1^5} \frac{d\lambda_1}{e^{h\nu_1/kT_1}}$$

$$T_1 \lambda_1 = T \lambda$$

$$T = T_1 \frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda}$$

$$T = T_1 \left(\frac{a_1}{a}\right)$$



So given  $T = T_1 \left( \frac{a_1}{a} \right)$

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for later or earlier we have

$$n_\lambda d\lambda = \left( \frac{a_1}{a} \right)^3 n_{\lambda_1} d\lambda_1 \quad | \quad B_\lambda d\lambda = \left( \frac{a_1}{a} \right)^4 B_{\lambda_1} d\lambda_1$$

The distributions still have

Planckian shape but

do they have the <sup>overall</sup> right scale?

(More obviously in some sense)

Integrate to check

$$\int n_\lambda d\lambda = \left( \frac{a_1}{a} \right)^3 \int n_{\lambda_1} d\lambda_1$$

$$\int B_\lambda d\lambda = \left( \frac{a_1}{a} \right)^4 \int B_{\lambda_1} d\lambda_1$$

$$\tilde{n} = \left( \frac{a_1}{a} \right)^3 n_1$$

$$\tilde{B} = \left( \frac{a_1}{a} \right)^4 B_1$$

Not assuming the correct scale.

~~These nice relations~~  
density scales  $\left( \frac{a_1}{a} \right)^3$   
and energy density scales  $\left( \frac{a_1}{a} \right)^3 \left( \frac{a_1}{a} \right)$

Not assuming the correct scale

For a photon gas of our distribution

for volume scaling

for cosmological redshift

$$\tilde{n} = \left( \frac{a_1}{a} \right)^3 n_1$$

$$\tilde{B} = \left( \frac{a_1}{a} \right)^4 B_1$$

$$\therefore \tilde{n} = n$$

$$\tilde{B} = B$$

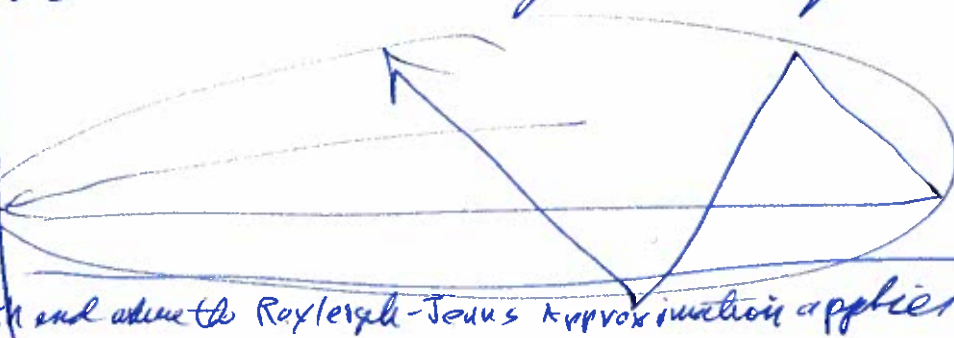
(10-028) and so the sealed Planckian gas is Planckian in shape and scale and defining  $z = \frac{a_0}{a} - 1$   
 $T = T_0 \left(\frac{a_0}{a}\right)$  must be  $T_0 = 2.7260$   
 Kexp. 1030

exactly right  $\rightarrow$  since an independently ~~homogen~~ prepared Planckian gas at the other time would necessarily have  $T_{\text{independent}}$   
 $= T = T_0 \left(\frac{a_0}{a}\right)$

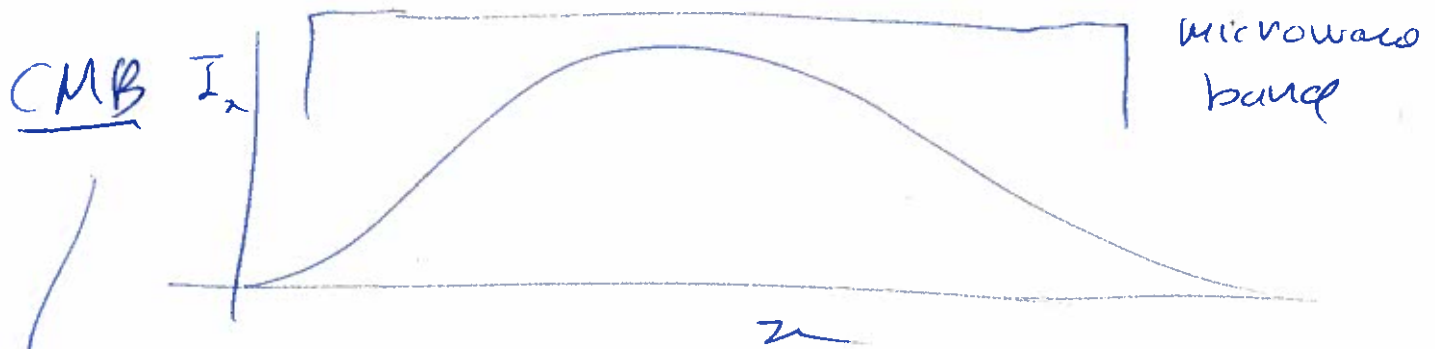
So the other time gas is just Planckian and we've found the adiabatic uniform expansion law for a Planckian gas where photons only change energy by redshifting

mit  
 Actually how Wein derived is approximation of the Planck law valid from high frequency but fails at low freq  
 Long wavelength and where the Rayleigh-Jeans approximation applies.

Could be universe or an ideal expanding <sup>reflective</sup> container where photons progressively redshift



5) There is a Cosmic Temperature (602)



→ is one of the most perfect blackbody spectra in nature - maybe most perfect in the microwave band

— other bands have

D.E.B.R.A. — diffuse extragalactic background ~~with~~ radiation

→ From point sources  
— but scattered by electrons  
often emerging from galaxies  
and ~~often~~ point sources unresolved

CMB = cosmic microwave background at cosmic present,

CBR = cosmic background radiation for general time

Since recombination era ( $t \approx 377$  kyr)  
— more exactly it has streamed freely cooling adiabatically

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and retaining its Planckian shape and scale

with  $T = T_0 \left(\frac{a_0}{a}\right)^{a_0=1}$

Some matter interaction

$$I = \int_{\nu_{rec}} e^{-\tau}$$

$$\tau = .05 - .1$$

~~and~~ but small though not negligible

cosmic present  
 $T_0 = 2.7260(13) K$   
(Fixsen 2013)

- but mostly Thomson scattering off free electrons in IGM = Interplanetary medium

that doesn't change frequency and so doesn't perturb blackbody shape  $\rightarrow$  in fact is adiabatic scattering or elastic scattering  
 $\rightarrow$  no coupling to matter thermal stat.

Of course, some CBR photon do get absorbed in matter  $\rightarrow$  they hit a planet or a detector.  
 $\rightarrow$  But this is a small perturbation.

So back to recombination era  
( $t \approx 377 \text{ kyr}$ )

[603]

the CMB temperature is fairly  
called the cosmic temperature  
→ what you deduce  
just looking at space.

What of before?

In fact it is the temperature  
of everything as far back  
in time as we can certainly  
go.

In inflation era there may  
( $t \lesssim 10^{-32} \text{ s}$ ) have been  
"Reheating"  
(but I know nix  
about that)



~~It's still buggy to me~~

~~by  $\lambda = \lambda_0 \sqrt{\frac{1+\beta}{1-\beta}}$~~

~~for the Doppler shift  
between two  
initial frames~~



~~give  $\lambda = \lambda_0 (1 + \frac{1}{2}\beta)(1 + \frac{1}{2}\beta)$~~

~~$= \lambda_0 (1 + \beta)$~~

~~$\frac{\lambda - \lambda_0}{\lambda_0} = \beta = \frac{v}{c}$~~

~~as a first order approximation  
which is NOT a differential  
can be turned into~~

~~$\frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} = \frac{dv}{c} = \frac{1}{c} \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} = \frac{(\frac{d\lambda}{\lambda})}{c} \frac{dc}{c}$   
 $= \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda}$~~

~~which is a  
differential  
equation for~~

~~cosmological redshift or  
any general expansion but~~

~~$\frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} = \frac{dv}{c}$  is ~~not~~ NOT for the original exact  
formula for finite velocity shift.  
What is the argument. The correct  
argument~~

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But what if the  
~~only~~ energy change is  
~~NOT~~ by more  
than redshifting?

Well as long as energy changing  
random processes exist  
(and they do NOT have  
to be further specified)

and sufficient time is allowed  
(reactions fast enough),  
then  $T \propto E$  is established  
fully on photon gas  
with  $B_{\text{idw}}$  or  $B_{\text{rdw}}$

On any gas of non-conserved  
extreme relativistic particles  
(even if they have rest mass)

→ Because negligible and the  
Gas is always Planckian and Not  
ideal gas or degenerate gas.



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So very early Universe

could have all kinds of energy hungry processes

- pair creation & annihilation and radioactive decay of unstable particles

To those does No what exotic particles + mesons & neutrinos

We do know  $a(t)$  pretty well from  $\Lambda$ -CDM which must be approximately true



Recall  $\frac{a_0}{a} = z+1$   
So  $\frac{a_0}{a} = \frac{T}{T_0}$   
and  $\frac{z_{dec}}{z_0} \approx \frac{a_0}{a}$   
 $= \frac{T}{T_0}$   
 $\Delta \frac{3000K}{2.7K}$   
 $\approx 1100$   
(mic)

since energy was conserved (aside from red shift loss) the gas ineluctably stayed at  $T$  (or kept returning to it from any deviation)

do not know of laws of thermodynamics

with  $T = T_0 (\frac{a_0}{a})$

$T \propto \frac{1}{a}$   
 $\propto T^{-3/2}$  with  
 $\propto e^{-4\pi t / \lambda}$

$T \propto \frac{1}{a}$

peculiarly state seeking chosen at random in multiverse

This is true it is. Thought going back to Planck time or ~~re heating~~ or inflation time or re heating

10-32] - The plot shows  
reheating as big  
cooling dips

Reheating  
an era in  
some models  
of inflation  
(Wikipedia)

But if energy conserved (aside  
from v-d shifting)  $T E$   
must be restored when  
processes ~~are~~ randomize

the energy again and  $T \approx T_1 \left( \frac{a_1}{a} \right)$   
~~low is~~ evolution  
re-established

And the universe  
stays homogeneous and  
isotropic enough  
as plot shows

Which people have  
wondered about  
but the cosmological  
principle still seems  
adequate - at least  
for the photon gas  
- the cosmic background  
radiation

But as the universe cooled  $T \propto \frac{1}{a}$ , [10-33]

eventually pair creation turned off as higher rest mass particles could not be created without energetic enough photons.

— unstable particles decayed

— matter-antimatter mostly mutually annihilated

→ matter won maybe barely (so we don't meet antimatter people)

[ if matter-antimatter perfectly symmetric — we wouldn't be here. → so

Anthropic principle

= explains "why there must be an asymmetry

but not what it

is or why it is a certain level.

antimatter  
it would end well if we did meet them

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Less asymmetry  
and the universe would  
more empty and maybe  
life would even

more rare

on the far shore  
of Deant's Sciama's  
island of biophilia

more asymmetry and  
maybe a universe full  
of stars even ~~between~~  
(odd-looking galaxies)

during  
frozen  
out

Eventually density

is low and  
stable neutrons

decoupled and went  
free streaming ( $t = 1s$

and then just  
photons, electrons,  
protons, neutrons,  
and

from  
Point  
origin  
of  $\Lambda$ -CDM  
model)

dark matter (particles or primordial Black holes) [10-03]

Now <sup>free</sup> neutrons are unstable  $\angle$  2021 measurement

$t_e$  is  $\odot$   
e-folding  
time  
or mean  
lifetime  
 $t_{1/2} = t_e \ln 2$   
 $= 610 \text{ s}$

$t_e = 877.75 \text{ s}$  ( $\pm 1 \text{ s}$ ?)  
 $= 14 \text{ m } 37.75 \text{ s}$

also a different kind of  
gives  $\sim 888 \text{ s}$  ( $\pm 2 \text{ s}$ )

$\rightarrow$  so which experiment is right  
if either  $\rightarrow$  or the discrepancy  
one of those "new physics" things  
people go on and on about

So the neutrons were close  
to all decaying away too  
late in the nick of time

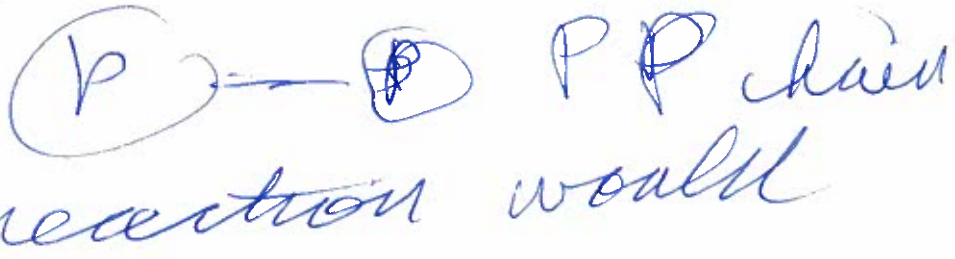
Big Bang nucleosynthesis  
occurred  $t = 10 - 1200 \text{ s}$   
 $\rightarrow$  the photon gas cool enough  
not to photodisintegrate nuclei.

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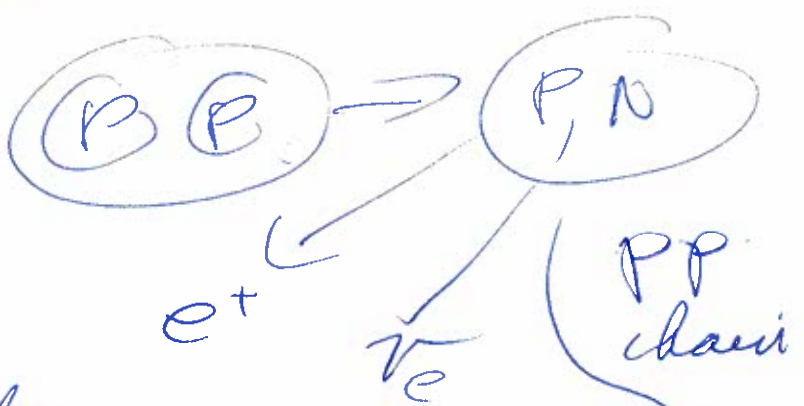
BN  
of different  
in reaction  
on stars  
or several  
reasons  
But  
keyone  
is there  
are free  
neutrons  
high there  
are not in  
star  
clear  
running

If there had been  
fewer neutrons,  
there would've been  
no BBN since  
you need neutrons  
for stable particles

and I believe th



~~that~~  
would've  
been too  
slow  
before densities



~~that~~ and proton fell  
to create much deuterium

a weak reaction is  
needed and that is very  
slow in some sense and

is the rate-determining step (10.637)  
in Main-sequence  
hydrogen burning.

If di-protons were stable, maybe  
stars would all be short lived  
and a sterile universe.

But what if the neutrons had  
much lower abundance

BBN would've not  
happened and the Big Bang  
would've left a universe starting  
from pure hydrogen → This is

OK → stars can make  
all the elements from  
hydrogen.

But what if the neutrons had  
been much more abundant  
or the nuclear binding force  
a touch stronger?

BBN might have gone to all  
He-4

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Disastrous

↳ no  $H_2O$  → no liquid water. → life as we know it needs liquid water.

We evolved to live out of the ocean — but only by having an ocean inside

On old saying, you can take the buoy out of the ocean but not the ocean out of the way.

Brit. Boy  
Am. Buoy  
pronounced

Now for a key point

→ baryons (protons & neutrons) are stable at least before proton decay

$$\left( t_{1/2} \geq 1.67 \times 10^{31} \text{ years (min)} \right)$$

if at all.

So all baryons since before BBN are still around



Well nearly,

(10-03)

— some fall into Black holes where they may or may not be conserved.

What of photons → ever since they freeze out of mass particles they are mostly conserved too since cosmic temperature continued  $T \propto \frac{1}{a}$

The baryons eventually starting being nonrelativistic <sup>CNR</sup> and acting like an ideal gas

and  $P_{\text{baryon}} \propto \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$

meaning  $KE_{\text{baryon}} \propto p^2 \propto \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$  when NR

and so they lost KE

faster with expansion than photons

But before decoupling

the thermal ( $\sim 380$  kyr cosmic time)

energy of photons

dominated totally and

Matter (i.e., baryon dominated energy) after  $t \hat{=} 50$  kyr but almost all that energy is rest mass energy. A frozen out reserve that doesn't effect thermal state. No process left for rest mass energy to change and exchange with thermal energy  
↳ photons, particle KE and atomic level populations

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baryon interaction and cooling was a small perturbation (though maybe really detailed calculations account for it) on the thermal state of the photon.

So  $T_{\text{photon}} \propto \frac{1}{a}$

and  $T_{\text{baryon}} \propto T_{\text{photon}}$

until decoupling

So CMB photons are mostly conserved ~~too~~ since baryons freeze out.

→ Occasionally they run into stars, planets, detectors, etc but those are perturbations (which some may account for in detailed work).

The key upshot | 10-041

is baryon-to-photon ratio

$$\eta = \text{see p. 10-042}$$

has been conserved ~~through~~  
from <sup>well</sup> before BBN nucleosynthesis  
to now and cosmic  
temperature has scaled as

Reheating  
in  
inflation  
era is  
different, but  
is really  $t < 10^{-32} \text{ s}$

$$T = T_0 \left( \frac{a_0}{a(t)} \right) \text{ from thermal history}$$

So  
it  
seems  
back  
to then  
there  
has been  
a  
cosmic  
temp.

$$T \approx T_0 \left( \frac{a_0}{a} \right)$$

with  
be present  
The photon  
to baryon  
ratio constant  
since baryons  
froze out  
- proton no  
longer could  
be created and  
destroyed via anti-matter-matter annihilations  
- pair creation and destruction

So we can  
fairly easily just  
run the clock back  
and track BBN

$T_0 \approx 2.725 \text{ K}$   
the CMB  
temperature  
in cosmic  
present

through  $t_{\text{cosmic}} = 10 - 1200 \text{ s}$

(Steven Weinberg  
in the 1970s wrote  
a famous book The  
First Three Minutes  
but it is more like  
the first 20 minutes

on maybe  
a bit  
longer  
to 20

10-042)

In any case  
at BBN era  $\eta$  is  
a key parameter -

(we know  $T(t)$  is fixed)

$$\eta = \frac{n_b}{n_\gamma} = 6.16 \times 10^{-10}$$

Planck 2018

$$\eta^{-1} = \frac{10^{10}}{6} \approx 1.67 \times 10^9$$

directly known from CMB Temperature

$$\Omega_b h^2 = 0.02237(15) \text{ Planck}$$

$$\Omega_b = \frac{\rho}{\rho_{\text{crit}}} = \frac{\rho}{\frac{3c^2(100)^2}{8\pi G}} \frac{1}{h^2}$$

$\Omega_b h^2 =$  is what we know

$$\text{but } h^2 \approx (0.7)^2 \approx \underline{0.49} \approx 0.5$$

$$\therefore \Omega_b = 0.04974 \approx 5\%$$

$$\eta = \frac{n_b}{n_\gamma} = 2.95 \times 10^{-8} \Omega_b h^2$$

of critical density

and one can use either  $\eta$  or  $\Omega_b h^2$   
as a BBN synthesis parameter.

We'll look at plots [10-04;  
of BBN later but for now  
we can say for  $n \approx 6 \times 10^{-10}$   
the right amounts of H, D

He-3, He-

Li-7

not so good

good  
agreement  
with  
observation

and

$\sim 3$  times too high  
Liddle 97

Cosmological  
lithium problem.

But lithium can be created  
~~or~~ destroyed or moved around  
even in very old stars and  
so most believe the cosmological  
lithium problem is due to star physics  
and not due wrong BBN.

But a long standing, annoying  
problem.

However  $6n$  doesn't give the  
right abundances and so  
the dark matter can't be baryonic

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So some <sup>stable</sup> dark matter particle from freeze out  $\rightarrow$  or primordial black hole from pre-BBN

maybe all 3 are right or none

— or both  
— or neither  $\rightarrow$  MOND

modified Newtonian dynamics

— MOND has been a good counter theory to dark matter  $\rightarrow$  accounts well for galaxy rotation

— less well for galaxy cluster

— not ~~all~~ all so well for Bullet cluster and similar cases

Also dark matter reproduces the large scale structure in simulation.

to clusters when they go through each other



gas and dark matter left clumped it seems which MOND predicts NOT.

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# 5) The Saha Equation, the Ionization History of the universe and Recombination

Falling ~~cosmic~~ temperature increases recombination — fewer ionizing photons  
But decreasing density decreases recombination, since electrons and ions interact less.

Decreasing temperature wins at  $T_{\text{cosmic}} \cong 3000\text{K}$  and the recombination era at  $t = 377 \text{ kyr}$

Reionization due to UV from stars happens at  $\sim 1 \text{ Gyr}$  and after that decreasing density seems to have won leaving the intergalactic medium ionized.

Recombination — only Hydrogen & Helium significant

H

$E_{\text{ion}} = 13.5984... \text{ eV}$

$\neq E_{\text{Rydberg}}$

Slightly smaller due to reduced mass effect

$E_{\text{Ryd}} = 13.6056... \text{ eV}$

is for an infinite mass nucleus

H<sup>-</sup> ion was probably super negligible — always a minor species, but very high opacity ff & bf make it important

He

$E_{\text{ion1}} = 24.587... \text{ eV}$

$E_{\text{ion2}} = 54.4717... \text{ eV}$

So Helium recombines first and to crude approximation can be neglected

$E_{\text{ion H}^-} = 0.754 \text{ eV}$  and has significant bf and ff opacity  
HK-206-208, important in solar and cooler stars.

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Recombination happens nearly in Thermodynamic equilibrium (TE) and so the Saha equation (TE result) applies. Deviations from TE are probably important in advanced analysis — and including He too of course.

What are the abundances of H & He

Mass fractions }  $X_H = 0.75$  ,  $X_{He} = 0.25$

fiducial numbers not counting Li.

But for the Saha analysis we need number fractions and number abundances.

In general for species i

~~$N_i =$~~

~~$$N_i = \frac{X_i A_b a_{nu} N_b}{A_i a_{nu}}$$~~

$$N_i = \frac{X_i \rho}{A_i a_{nu}}$$
mass density in species i  
← mass of species i particles

$$= \frac{X_i (A_b a_{nu} N_b)}{A_i a_{nu}}$$

$$= X_i \frac{A_b}{A_i} N_b$$

$$\frac{n_H}{n_{He}} \approx \frac{3/4}{1/4} \approx 12$$

$$N_H \approx 0.75 \frac{1}{1} N_b$$

$$N_{He} \approx 0.25 \frac{1}{4} N_b$$

$$= 0.75 N_b$$

$$= \frac{1}{16} N_b = 0.0625 n_b$$



Apparently the ~~star~~ conventional definition of recombination

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— a fiducial value is

$$X = \frac{n_e}{n_b} = 0.1$$

$$\Delta \frac{n_e}{n_H} \approx 0.1$$

Ratio of free electrons to baryons or hydrogen

— some one must have seen that this is the point where ~~optical depth~~ the mean free path of photons is long enough for

$T_{\text{photon}}$  and  $T_{\text{matter}}$  to diverge significantly

— Decoupling is when is essentially complete.

Actually H has 3 ionization stages H, H<sup>+</sup>, H<sup>2+</sup>. It is ~~not~~ probably different but it is important in star sun like or cool because of high opacity.  $\chi_{\text{H}^+} \approx 13.6$  eV. There is an exact cubic solution but when it gives

mean free path to free electron scattering which traps photons enough for other reactions; ionizations and excitations

For H and H<sup>+</sup> alone the Saha ~~fund~~ equation is simple and analytical solvable

Derived from statistical mechanics and  $n_e$  is a free parameter  
Saha Equation itself

$$\frac{N_{H^0}}{N_{H^+}} = \frac{n_e}{\psi}$$

$$\frac{N_{H^+}}{N_{H^0}} = \frac{\psi}{n_e}$$

by charge conservation

$$n_e = N_{H^+}$$

$$= N_H \frac{N_{H^+}}{N_H} = N_H \left( \frac{N_{H^+}}{N_{H^0} + N_{H^+}} \right)$$

$$= N_H \left( \frac{n_e}{N_{H^0} + n_e} \right) = N_H \left( \frac{1}{N_{H^0}/n_e + 1} \right)$$

$$= N_H \left( \frac{1}{\frac{\psi}{n_e} + 1} \right) = N_H \left( \frac{n_e}{\psi + n_e} \right)$$

Simple charge conservation (neutral)

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$\frac{N_{H0}}{N_{H+}} = n_e \bar{\sigma}$  but

$\frac{N_{H+}}{N_{H0}} = \frac{\Psi}{n_e}$

since  $\Psi = \frac{1}{\bar{\sigma}}$  has the integrable behavior; as  $\Psi \uparrow$ , ionization

$\Psi$  and  $\bar{\sigma}$  have exponential dependence on inverse temperature which makes ionization very temperature sensitive in LTE. Usually one stage completely dominates in number, but often 2 stages are important for opacity.

$$\alpha \equiv \frac{n_e}{N_H} = \frac{1}{\frac{N_H}{n_e} \frac{N_{H+}}{\Psi} + 1} = \frac{1}{\alpha \Psi + 1}$$

$$\frac{\alpha^2}{\alpha} + \alpha = 1$$

$$\frac{\alpha^2}{\alpha} + \alpha - 1 = 0$$

$$\alpha = \frac{2}{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4/\alpha}}$$

using the alternative quadratic equation solution that has no cancellation between nearly equal values

~~$\frac{2}{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4/\alpha}}$~~   
 $\sqrt{\alpha}$

$X \ll 1$ , low ionization  
 $\frac{2(-1 + \sqrt{1 + 4/X})}{-1 + 1 + 4/X} = \frac{-1 + \sqrt{1 + 4/X}}{2/X}$

$X \gg 1$   
 $\frac{2}{2 + 4/X} = \frac{1}{1 + 2/X} \approx 1 - \frac{1}{X}$

(see Press 1973 p. 178)

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$$\therefore \alpha = \frac{n_e}{N_H} = \sqrt{X}$$

if assume  
 $X$  is small  
 $\rightarrow$  already  
 low  
 ionization

$$= \sqrt{\frac{\psi}{N_H}}$$

$$\approx e^{-\frac{E_{ion}}{2kT}}$$

2 from  
 taking  
 square  
 root,

$$= e^{-\frac{13.6 \text{ eV}}{2 \times 10^{-4} \text{ eV} kT}}$$

$$= e^{-\frac{7.0 \times 10^4 \text{ K}}{T}}$$

so  $T < 7 \times 10^4$ ,  $T = T_0 (a/a_0)^2$

there is an ~~exponential~~  
 rapid exponential

decrease in  $\alpha = \frac{n_e}{N_H}$

Now  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{N_H}}$  gets bigger as  $\sqrt{N_H} = \sqrt{N_H \left(\frac{a_0}{a}\right)^3}$

$$= \left(\frac{a}{a_0}\right)^{3/2}$$

but this weak  
 compared to the decrease due  
 to the exponential, with

The hydrogenic solution is more general than it looks, since all LTE atomic gases can be approximated as hydrogenic.

a) One limit all <sup>baryons</sup> treated as H, This would <sup>tend to</sup> overestimate ionization since most electrons are much more tightly bound to their nuclei than hydrogen

→ Another limit all ~~nuclei~~ <sup>atoms</sup> treated as H, This would tend to underestimate ionization since only one free electron per nuclei.

However the hydrogen ionization energy is probably too high for most atoms, 1st ionization  $\Delta \epsilon$  (eV) is not guaranteed to be an upper limit, you could have a lower limit.

Still  $n_e$  is bounded between  $n_e = N_b$  and  $n_e = 0$

Note even when there are negative ions the free electrons can't be less than zero and conserve charge

There might be some interpolation  $N_{atom}$  &  $E_{ionization}$  values that would give a good  $n_e$  estimate in most cases or at least a good initial estimate for a numerical solution

To actually get  $n(t)$ ,  
 we need to go back from  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 10^{-10} \\ \text{(should renumber to } 6091) \end{array} \right.$   
now.

$$n_B = \left(\frac{a_0}{a}\right)^3 n_{B0} \approx \left(\frac{a}{a_0}\right)^3 (0.26 \times 10^{-6} \text{ cm}^{-3})$$

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$$T = T_0 \left(\frac{a_0}{a}\right) = 3000 \text{ K}$$

2.725 (Li 79)

$$\begin{aligned} &0.26 \times 10^{-6} \\ &\times 1.3 \times 10^9 \\ &= 0.4 \times 10^{-3} \text{ cm}^{-3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{a_0}{a} = z + 1 \approx 1100 \text{ (wik)}$$

from  $\frac{3000 \text{ K}}{2.7 \text{ K}}$  { assuming the answer

$$a = \left(\frac{\Omega_{m0}}{\Omega_m}\right)^{1/3} \text{unit}^{1/3} \left[\frac{3}{2} \sqrt{\Omega_m H_0 t}\right] \text{ (Les 5, p. 5018)}$$

the  $\Lambda$ -CDM results

valid back to

Radiation era  $\sim 150 \text{ kyr}$   $\sim 150 \text{ kyr}$

Rad-mass equality

change in functional solution natural time

Bar

recombination

$$= 370,000 \text{ yr}$$

$$= 370,000 \text{ kyr}$$

Recoupled

377.7 kyr in  $\Lambda$ -CDM

~~Planck 2018~~ Mode (wik, 2011)

So well into matter dominated era

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but that  $\tau \approx$  total mass-energy ~~for~~ dominance.

In thermal energy the photon dominated until recombination too close to decoupling

The exponential dependence on inverse temperature see p. 6078

So  $\chi = \frac{(\frac{1}{2}) (3000)^{3/2}}{2 \times 10^{-16}} e^{-\frac{13.6}{10^{-4} \cdot 3000}}$   
 $\chi = \frac{.4 \times 10^{+3}}$

$= \sqrt{\frac{\frac{1}{4} \times 10^{16} (125 \times 10^3)}{.4 \times 10^{+3}}} e^{-\frac{13.6}{.3}}$

$= \sqrt{\frac{30 \times 10^{19} \cdot 10^{-18} \cdot 2.9 \times 10^3}{4}} e^{-4.5 \times 10^1}$

$= \sqrt{3004}$   
 $= 55$  had calculator  
 $= e^{-95}$   
 $= 10^{-(4.45)}$

$= 10^{-18}$

$= \sqrt{20 \cdot 10^{-2}}$

$= \sqrt{.2}$

~~10A~~  $= 4 \times 10^{-1} = .4$   $\chi \approx .33$   $\chi > 1$   $\chi \approx .1$

For a rough  
calculation, not so bad

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~~But~~ if one wants the TE  
prediction of ionization  
one just runs back  
th clock  $a(t) = \dots$

~~NLTE~~

and calculate

for H 75%

He 25%

Li-7 — small, negligible

(see p. 10-09)

solve the 2 element Saha charge  
conservation equation.

However after recombination  
to decoupling, one needs  
at same point

NLTE  $\Rightarrow$  not local thermodynamic  
equilibrium.

10-052 / which has doubtless been  
done including all kinds  
of fine details

Some comments on LTE  
ionization solved  
from the charge  
conservation & energy eq.  
+ NLTE

1)

~~Of course~~ <sup>usually one</sup> stage of atom  
is ~~dominant~~ overwhelmingly dominant <sup>in abundance</sup>  
and there may be a second  
adjacent stage that  
is important in radiative transfer (RT)  
via opacities of not abundance

Of course  
in very  
small  
temperature  
range  
of near  
equality

But have 3 stages & significant in RT  
is pretty rare generally  
sensitivity to temperature  
via the exponential and  
the fact that ionization energies  
increase rapidly with  
ionization stage.

Two nonadjacent stages important is



almost impossible

→ but  $H^{-}$ ,  $H^{0+}$ ,  $H^{(+)}$

may be an exception  
but only because  $H^{-}$   
has large opacity even  
if a trace ~~amount~~ amount  
in solar type & cooler  
stars (Mihalas p. ?)

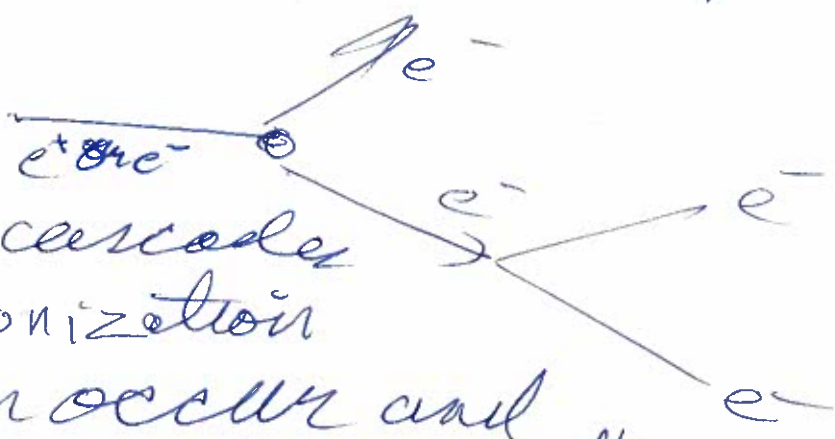
Low  
Thomson  
scatter  
since  
 $\sigma_T \propto r_e^2$   
and  
 $m_H \approx 2000$

But  
probably  
not.

2) non-LTE ionization

- say fast electron/positrons

from a radioisotope



then cascades  
of ionization

can occur and

you can have multiple  
important ionization stages

e.g. Fe, Fe I, II, III, IV

in nebular SNe Ia spectra?

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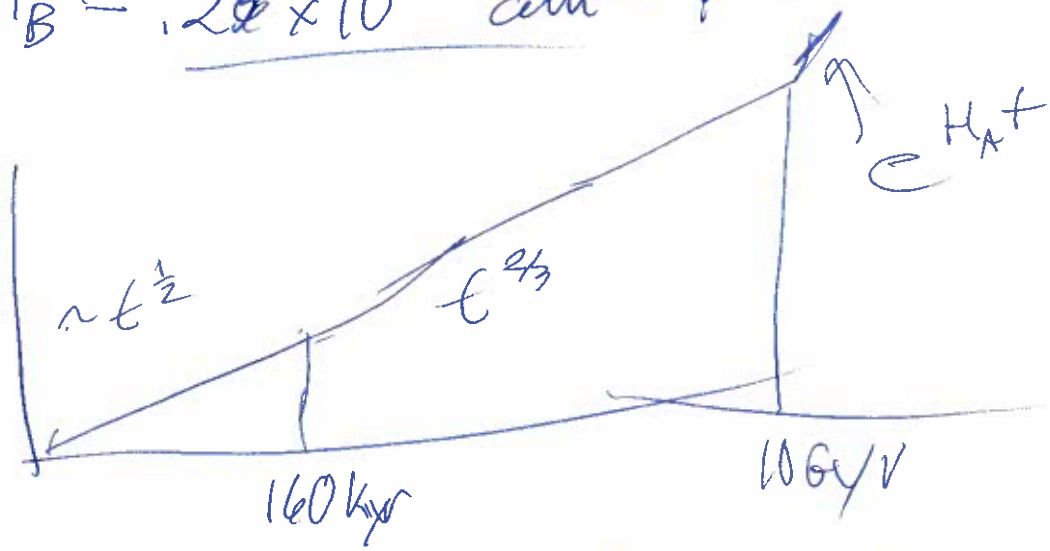
I made a plot (with some effort) to illustrate Cosmic evolution of  $a, T,$  HIF H ionization using fiducial values

$\Omega_m = .3$   
 $\Omega_\Lambda = .7$   
 $\Omega_B = 8.47 \times 10^{-5}$

Fiducial values

Galactic & extragalactic cosmic agents

$n_B = 2.6 \times 10^{-6} \text{ cm}^{-3}$



$a(t) \Rightarrow$  Galactia and Rancudellu 2021

( ) quasi exact.

joined RM exact MA exact  
 in middle of matter usage when

radiation negligible 10-057

the GR formula is beautiful  
 interesting symmetries  
 and ~~some~~ ~~such~~, such, such  
 behavior that we somewhat  
 elucidated in lect. 5.

But by eye, you can't  
 easily see how it behaves

So I came up with a  
 reasonable and simple  
 approximate formula  
 an interpolation formula

$$a = a_0 \left[ 2\sqrt{\Omega_R} H_0 t_f \right]^{\frac{1}{2}} + \left[ \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{\Omega_M} \left( \frac{(\Omega_M)^{1/2}}{\Omega_M} \text{erf} \left[ \frac{3}{2}\sqrt{\Omega_M} H_0 (t - t_f) \right] \right) \right]^{\frac{2}{3}}$$

matter Lambda part

2/3

Radiation part

and  $t_f = t_{\text{RH}} + \alpha \ln(t/t_{\text{RH}}) = \begin{cases} t_{\text{RH}}, t \rightarrow 0 \\ t_{\text{RH}}, t \rightarrow \infty \end{cases}$

Functional behavior suggests this is the good characteristic transition time

Not where  $P_{\text{rad}} = P_{\text{matter}}$  where  $P_{\text{rad}} = 2$   $t \rightarrow t_f$

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I analyzed this would work reasonably well, and it does

$t \rightarrow 0$ , { asymptotically  
 $t \rightarrow \infty$  } exactly correct

and reasonable int between,

the  $t_0$  causes the radiation term to saturate at about the right starting level for the matter- $\Lambda$  growth and delays the start of matter- $\Lambda$  growth about then.

It's not bad, at worst about 10% in error.

No need to improve since the exact solution exists unless some other form gives more insight

It seems the Radiation does NOT have a long redistribution into the Matter & Lambda era  
It largely just sets the initial size for the matter-Lambda expansion era

v) The  $T = T_0 \left( \frac{a_0}{a} \right)$

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↳ no carry time  $t = 10 \text{ Gyr}$   
when exponential ~~growth~~  
expansion started.

→ Not linear on a  $\log$  plot  
before. Radiation  $T \propto t^{-1/2}$ , Matter era  
 $T \propto t^{-2/3}$

→ ~~in fact it should have~~  
~~slope of 2 in both Radiation~~  
~~and matter era~~

~~$\propto t^{-1/2}$  radiation,  $\propto t^{-2/3}$~~   
~~matter~~

→ There is a change in slope  
at the radiation-matter  
transition if you look really  
closely

c) ~~The~~  $H$  drop really fast  
at  $t \approx 370 \text{ kyr}$

→ very sensitive temperature  
dependence.

—  $T \uparrow H \uparrow$ ,  $T \downarrow H \downarrow$

— actually an density  $N_{ub}$ ,  $H \uparrow$

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But in the observable universe  
the decoupling temperature  
beats the decoupling density  
Of course, after about  
recombination LTE fail

~~but~~

The universe did get  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{H all} \\ \text{reionized} \\ \text{He?} \end{array} \right.$

reionized at  $t = 150 - 1000 \text{ Myr}$

cosmic  
time  
150 Myr

by hard photon from  
~~stars~~ and/or AGN

$z = 6 - 20$   
in  $\frac{11000}{10}$

$\frac{\rho_{ion}}{\rho_{rec}} \approx 100$

But by then density  
was so low ~~that~~  
even with free electrons  
the CBR and DEBRA  
still don't couple much to matter

(So reionization  
did not recouple  
to CBR  
to matter)

$$\tau_{\text{since decoupling}} = .05$$

$$\therefore I = I_{\text{last sc}} e^{-\tau_s} = I(0.95)$$

significant but small

So even if Recombination 10-061  
never happened  
and the universe stay  
ionized eventually  
the CBR would be  
decoupled eventually

The universe stays reionized  
— density is low recombination  
is slow  
— continued UV & X-ray photons  
from stars/AGN

Will the CBR photons  
even all scatter <sup>electron</sup> ~~proton~~  
the angular information about  
density <sup>fluctuation</sup> of universe at decoupling?  
Depends: ~~despite travel~~  
~~length~~ will mean free path  
grow faster than distance traveled

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by CBR photons?

Someone must have done  
a calculation for the

$\Lambda$ -CDM model, but

I've not found the result

yet — one could probably  
do it myself (if I had a  
moment)