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COBE DMR ANISOTROPY DETECTION



- The DMR Instrument
- Maps
- Correlation function analysis
- Cosmic variance and best fit n and Q_{rms-ps}

COBE DMR Cosmic Background Explorer Differential Microwave Radiometers

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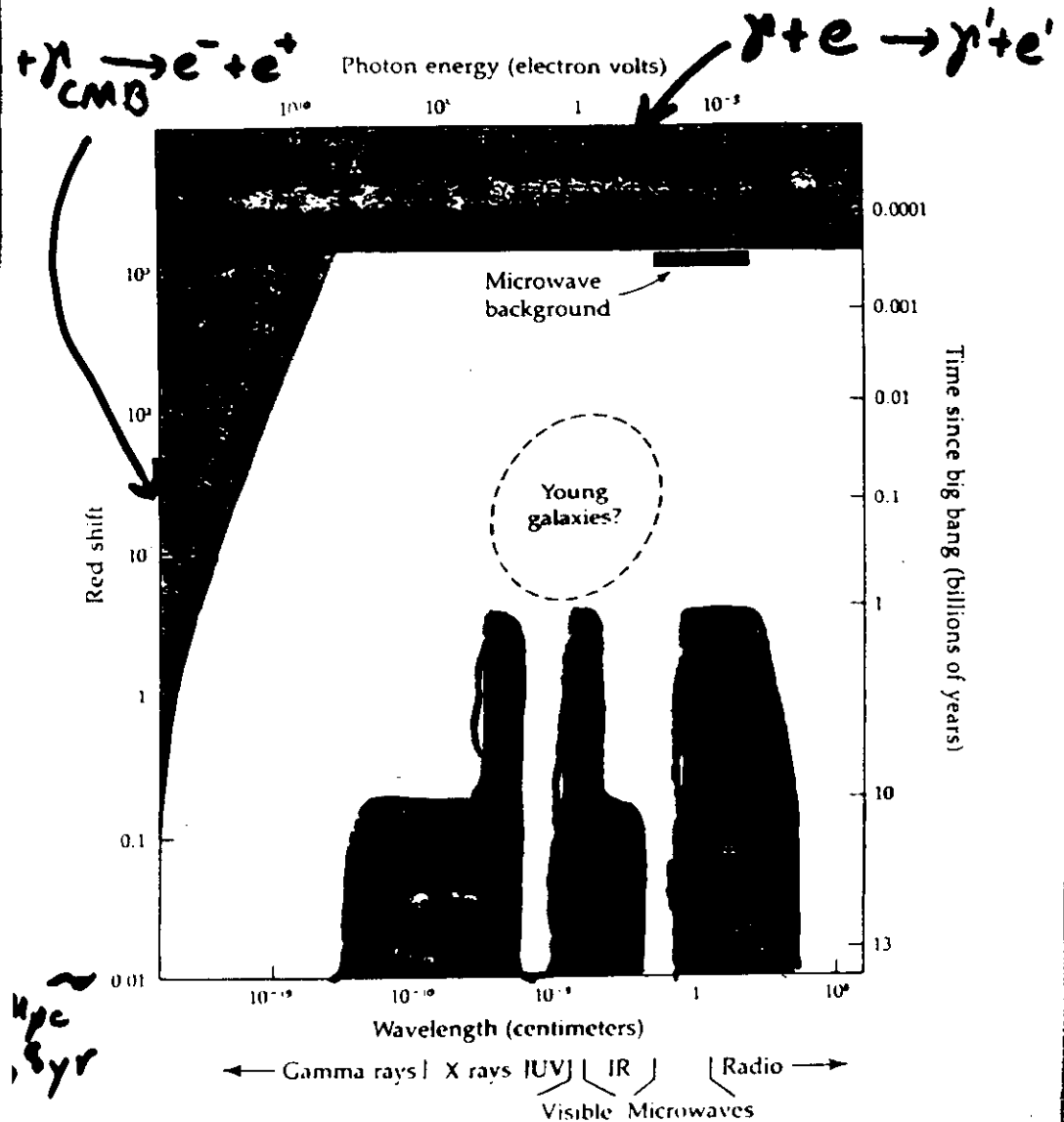
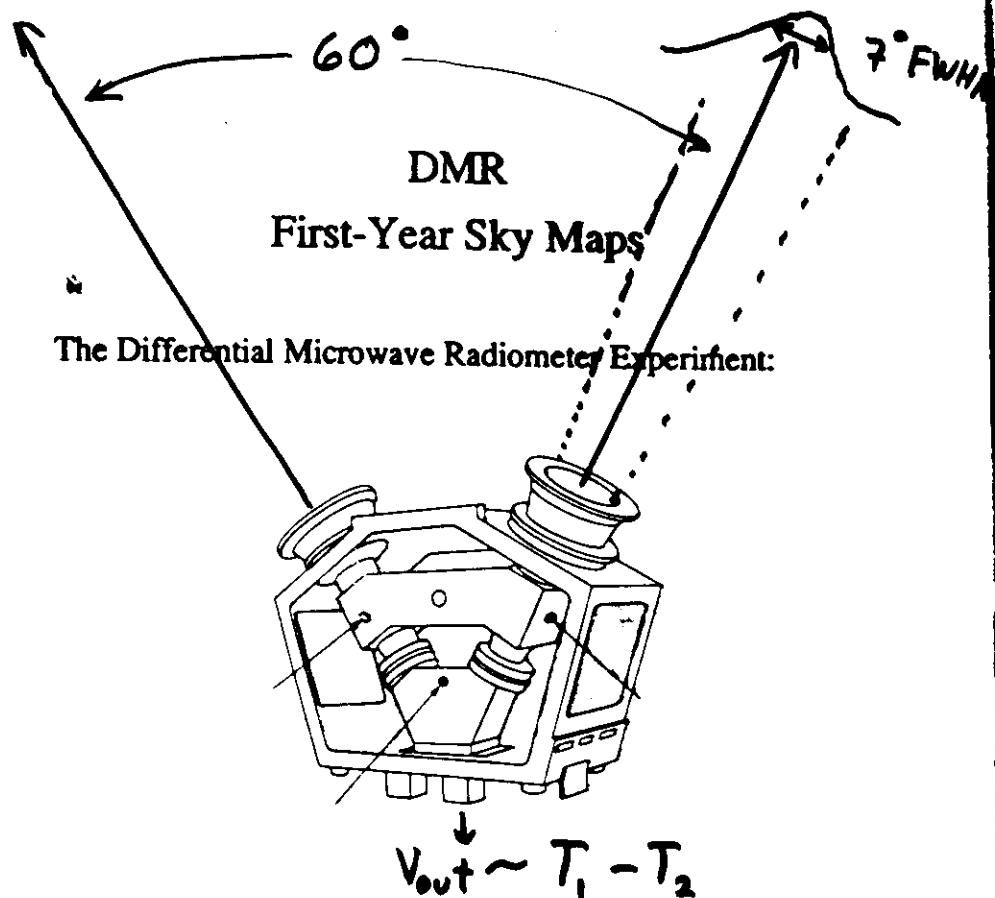


Figure 9-1. This figure shows the extent to which we can explore the universe throughout the spectrum of electromagnetic radiation (in terms of either the red shift of sources or, equivalently, how far back in time we see them). The darkly shaded areas show the extent of our present knowledge. The lightly shaded area shows the region that we can never view directly because the photons are either scattered by electrons ($\gamma + e \rightarrow \gamma' + e'$) or collide with other photons, producing electron-positron pairs ($\gamma + \gamma \rightarrow e^- + e^+$). The dashed boundary surrounds the region where we may see galaxies in their early phase of development.



- Radiometers observe temperature differences 60° apart.
- Full sky coverage every six months.
- Maps obtained by least-squares fits to the observed temperature differences.
- Observe at 3 frequencies: 9, 6, and 3 mm
- Observe at 3 frequencies: 31.5, 53, and 90 GHz.
- Two channels per frequency: 31A, 31B, ..., 90B.
- Spin period 75 s
- Orbit period 103 min

Differential measurements $\rightarrow$ Map

single measurement $T_i - T_j = D_i$

$$\begin{matrix} \text{# of} \\ \text{obs} \end{matrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0, -1, 0, \dots \\ 0, 1, 0, \dots, -1, 0, \dots \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} T_1 \\ T_2 \\ \vdots \\ T_{644} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} D_1 \\ D_2 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{# of} \\ \text{obs} \end{matrix}$$

$$M \vec{T} = \vec{D}$$

$$A \equiv M^T M \vec{T} = M^T \vec{D}$$

$$\chi^2 = (M^T M \vec{T} - M^T \vec{D})^2$$

$$\vec{T} = A^{-1} M^T \vec{D}$$

normal equations

cf Smoot et al references to
Torres et al 1994
Jensen + Gulkis '99

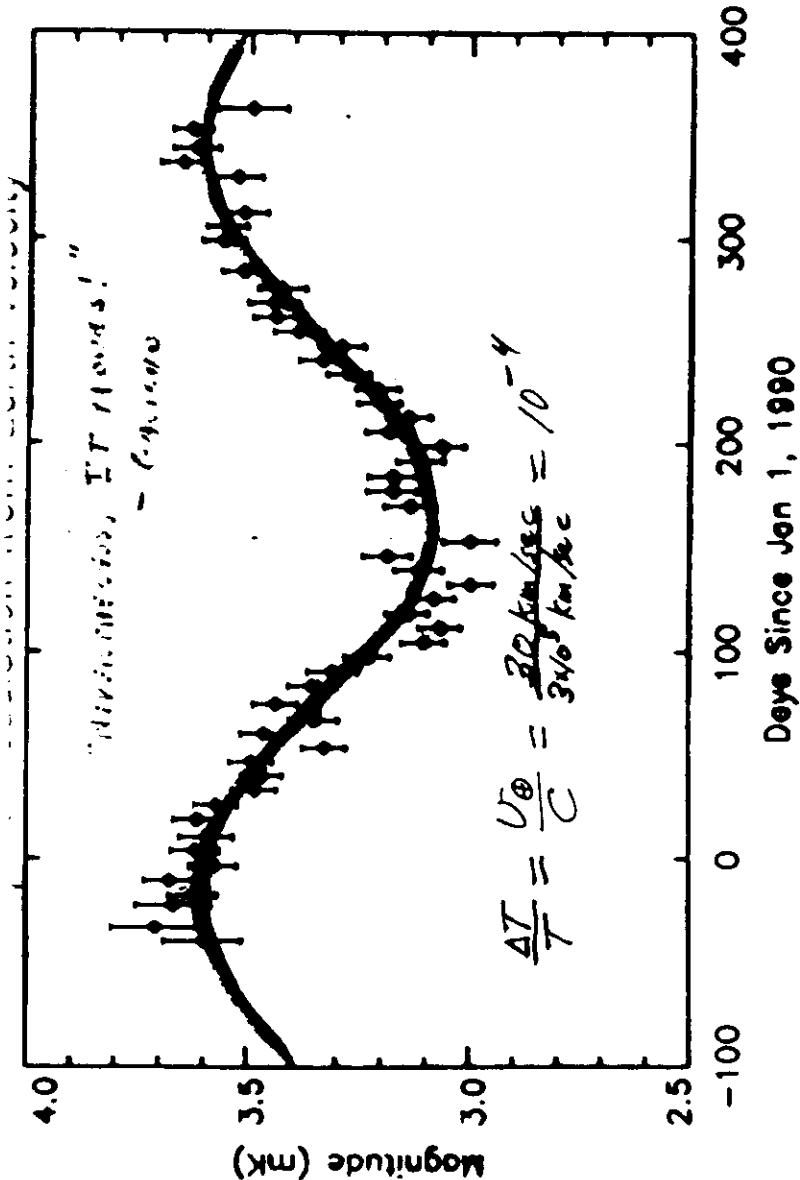
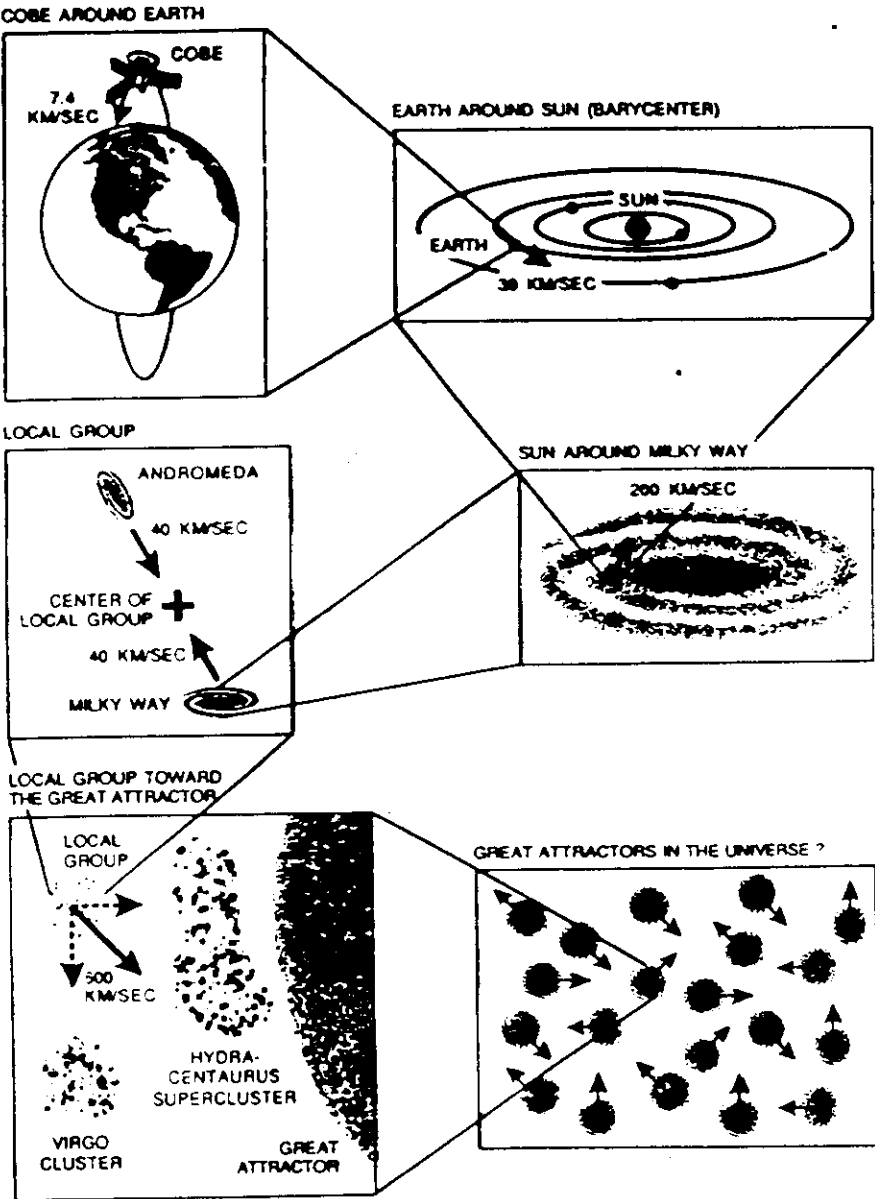
Differential measurements $\rightarrow$ power spectrum (ie $a_{\ell m}$'s)

$$T(\hat{n}) = \sum a_{\ell m} Y_{\ell m}(\hat{n})$$

$$\sum a_{\ell m} (Y_{\ell m}(\hat{n}_1) - Y_{\ell m}(\hat{n}_2)) = T_{\hat{n}_1} - T_{\hat{n}_2} = D_i$$

$$\begin{matrix} \text{# of} \\ \text{obs} \end{matrix} \begin{pmatrix} [Y_{\ell_1}(\hat{n}_1) - Y_{\ell_1}(\hat{n}_2)] [Y_{\ell_2}(\hat{n}_1) - Y_{\ell_2}(\hat{n}_2)] [Y_{\ell_3}(\hat{n}_1) - Y_{\ell_3}(\hat{n}_2)] \\ [Y_{\ell_1}(\hat{n}_3) - Y_{\ell_1}(\hat{n}_2)] [Y_{\ell_2}(\hat{n}_3) - Y_{\ell_2}(\hat{n}_2)] [Y_{\ell_3}(\hat{n}_3) - Y_{\ell_3}(\hat{n}_2)] \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a_{\ell_1} \\ a_{\ell_2} \\ a_{\ell_3} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} D_1 \\ D_2 \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{# of} \\ \text{obs} \end{matrix}$$

VELOCITY COMPONENTS OF THE OBSERVED CMB DIPOLE



COSMIC MICROWAVE BACKGROUND

DIPOLE

AMPLITUDE	$T_D = 3.36 \pm 0.1 \text{ mK}$
SPEED	$v = 369 \pm 11 \text{ km/sec}$ $\frac{v}{c} = 0.00123 \pm 0.00004$
DIRECTION	$l^D = 264.7^\circ \pm 0.8^\circ$ $b^D = 48.2^\circ \pm 0.5^\circ$
SPECTRUM	consistent with <u>thermal</u> spectrum

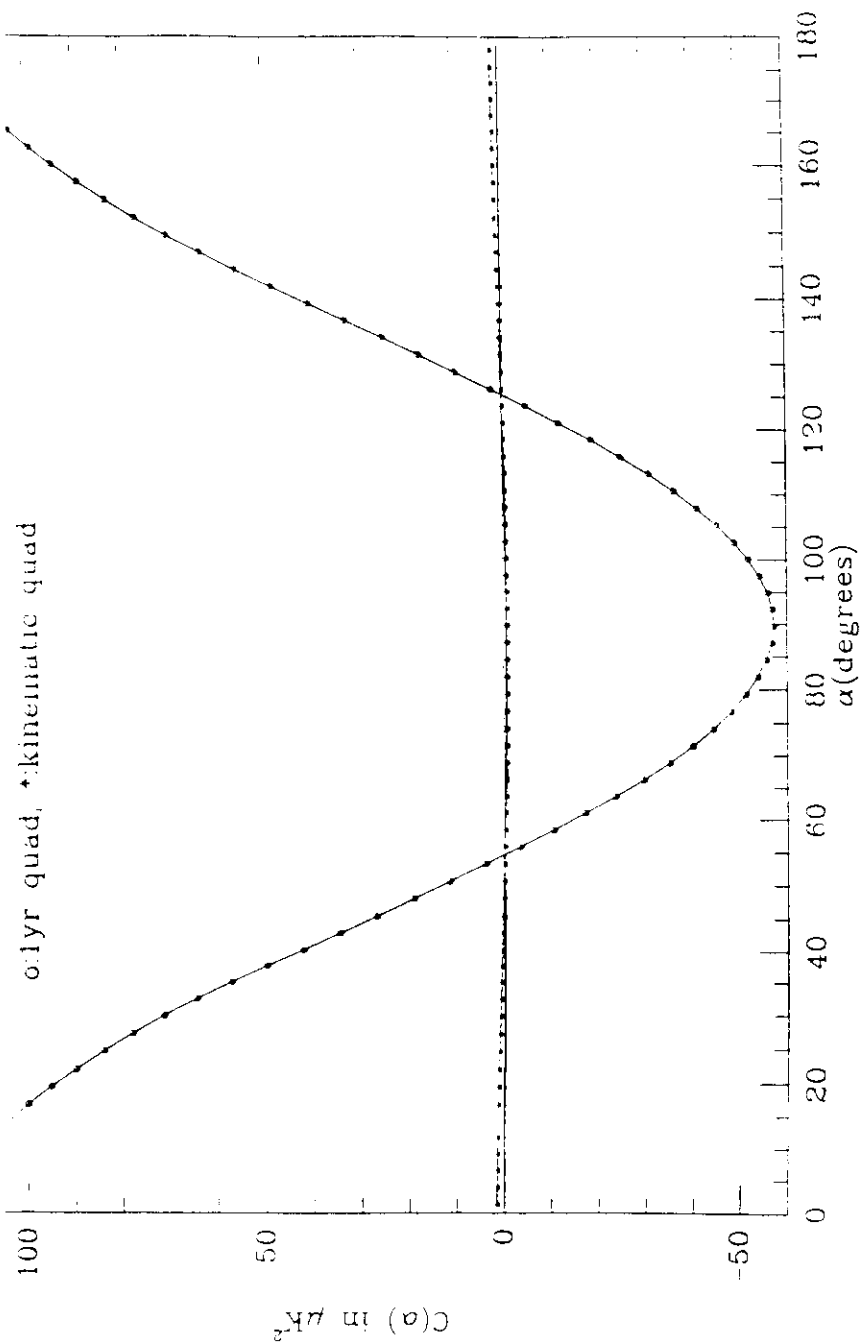
KINEMATIC QUADRUPOLE

$$T(\theta) = T_0(1 - \beta^2)^{1/2} / (1 - \beta \cos \theta)$$

$$= T_0 [1 + \beta \cos \theta + (\beta^2/2) \cos 2\theta + \dots]$$

$$Q_{\text{rms}} = 1.2 \mu\text{K}$$

$$(Q_1, Q_2, Q_3, Q_4, Q_5) = (0.9, -0.2, -2.0, -0.9, 0.2) \mu\text{K}$$



What is signal, what is noise?

$$\sigma_{in} = \frac{\sigma_i}{\sqrt{N_i}}$$

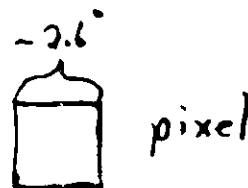
channel noise per observation

$$\Delta T_i = \frac{20 \text{ mK}}{\sqrt{N_i}}$$

of times pixel i was observed

$$N_i = (3.14 \times 10^7) (n) (2) (2)$$

6144 ← # of pixels

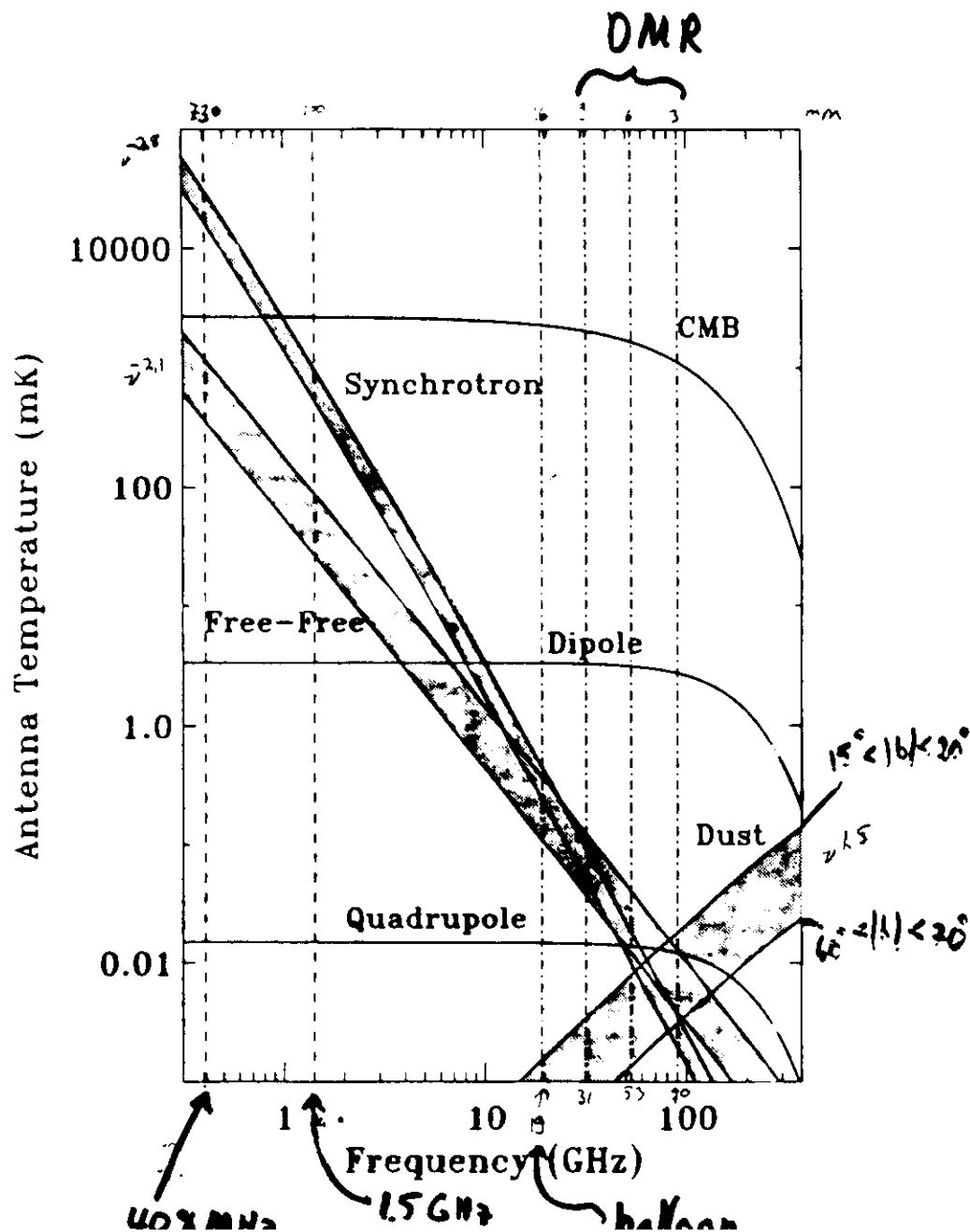


$$N_i \approx (20,000) n$$

$$\therefore \Delta T_i \sim 100 \mu\text{K in 1yr maps}$$

Size	Noise μK		Signal	Systematics
	1yr	4yr		
1 pixel	100	~50	(>30)	<6
10° ~ 16 pixels	~25	~13	30 ± 5	
90° ~ quad ~ 1000 pixels	~3	~1.5	13 ± 4	<3

Quantifying Clumpiness



Correlation Function

$$C(\theta) = \langle T(\vec{n}_1) T(\vec{n}_2) \rangle = \frac{\sum_{ij} n_i T_i n_j T_j}{\sum_{ij} n_i n_j}$$

where $\vec{n}_1 \cdot \vec{n}_2 = \cos(\theta)$



$$\hat{n}_i = \sum_{lm} a_{lm} Y_{lm}(\hat{n}_i)$$

$$\langle T(\hat{n}_1) T(\hat{n}_2) \rangle$$

Average product of temperatures separated by angle θ

DMR data show unambiguous detection of anisotropy

$$C(\theta) = \sum_{l=2}^{\infty} \Delta T_l^2 P_l(\cos \theta) e^{-(l+1/2)^2 \tau_{smooth}^2}$$

$$\Delta T_l^2 = \frac{1}{4\pi} \sum_m |a_{lm}|^2 \quad Q_{rms} = \Delta T_2$$

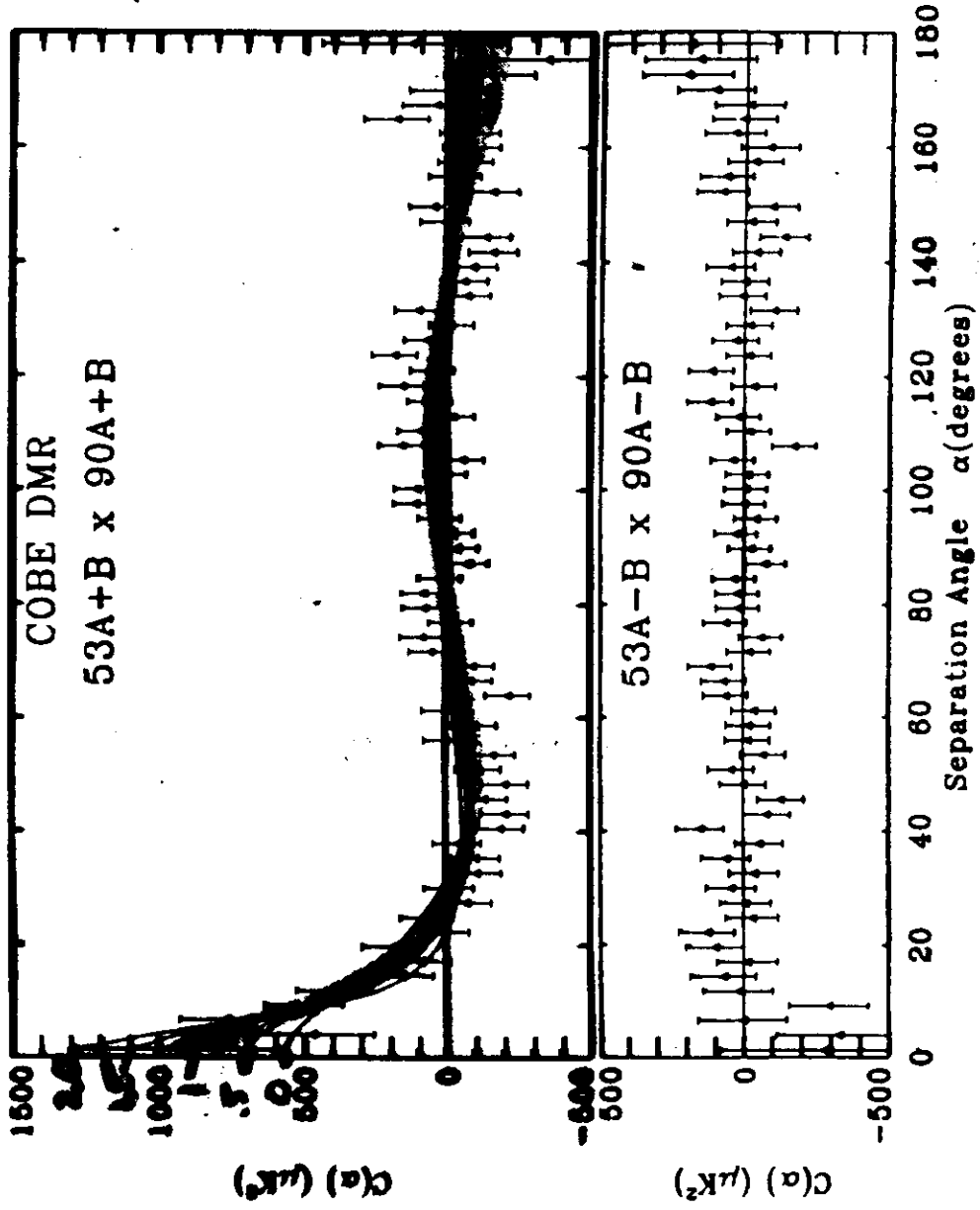
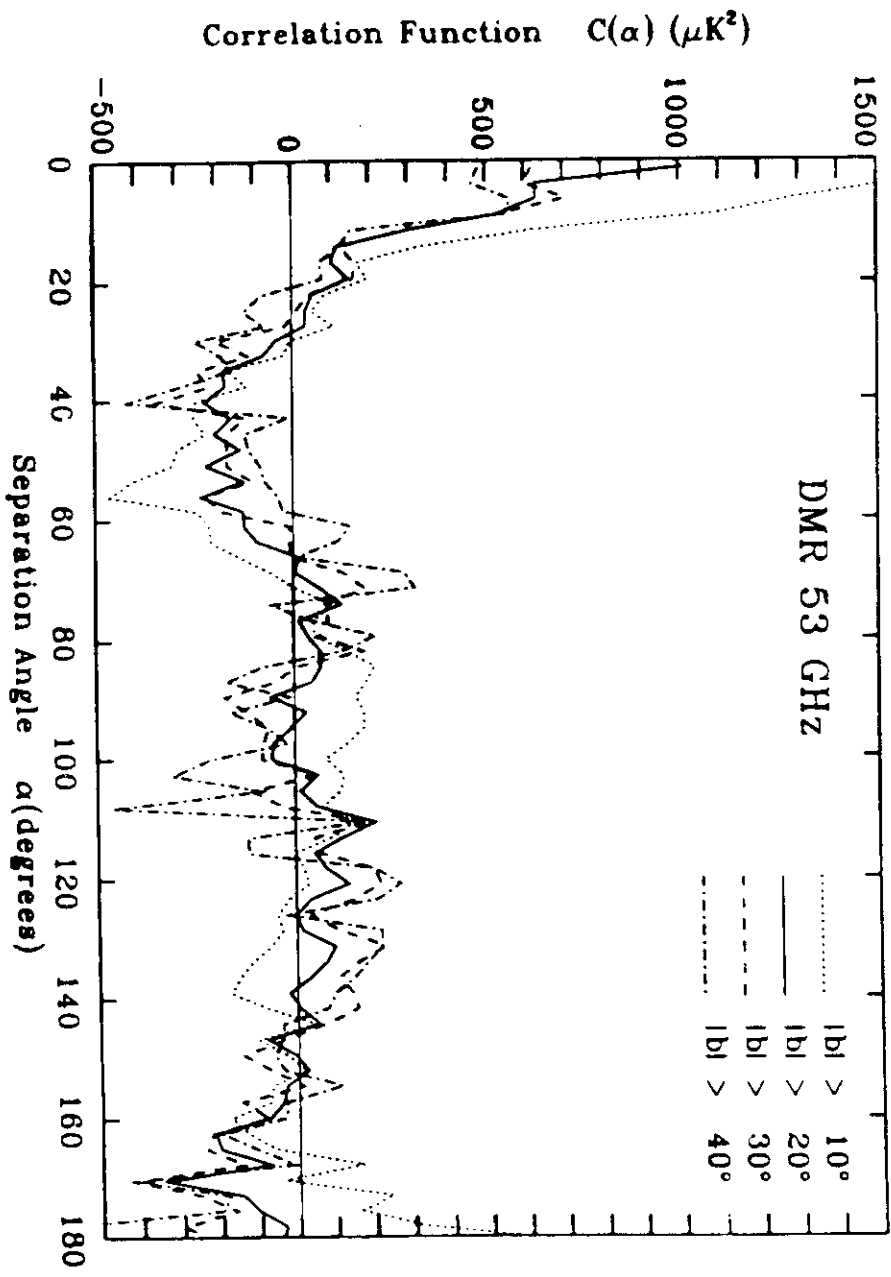


Fig. 4 of J. M. O. et al.

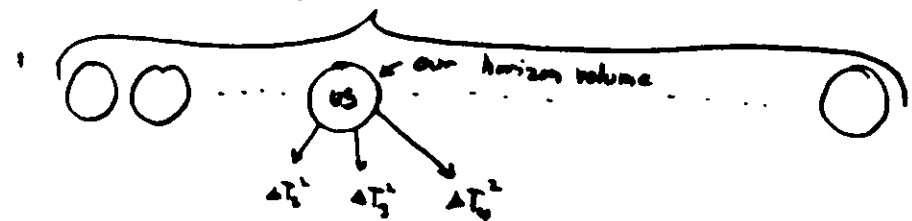


Cosmic Variance

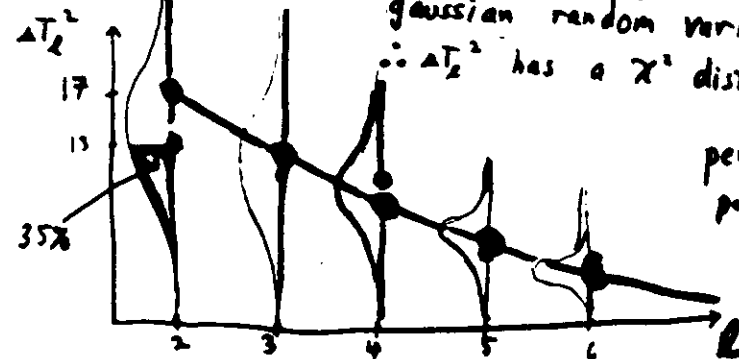
Cosmic variance is the statistical error on the power spectrum of our horizon volume. It is due to the fact that on the largest scales ($L=2, 3, \dots$) our horizon volume represents a small sample of the universe.

Theory makes predictions about the entire universe — not just our horizon volume.

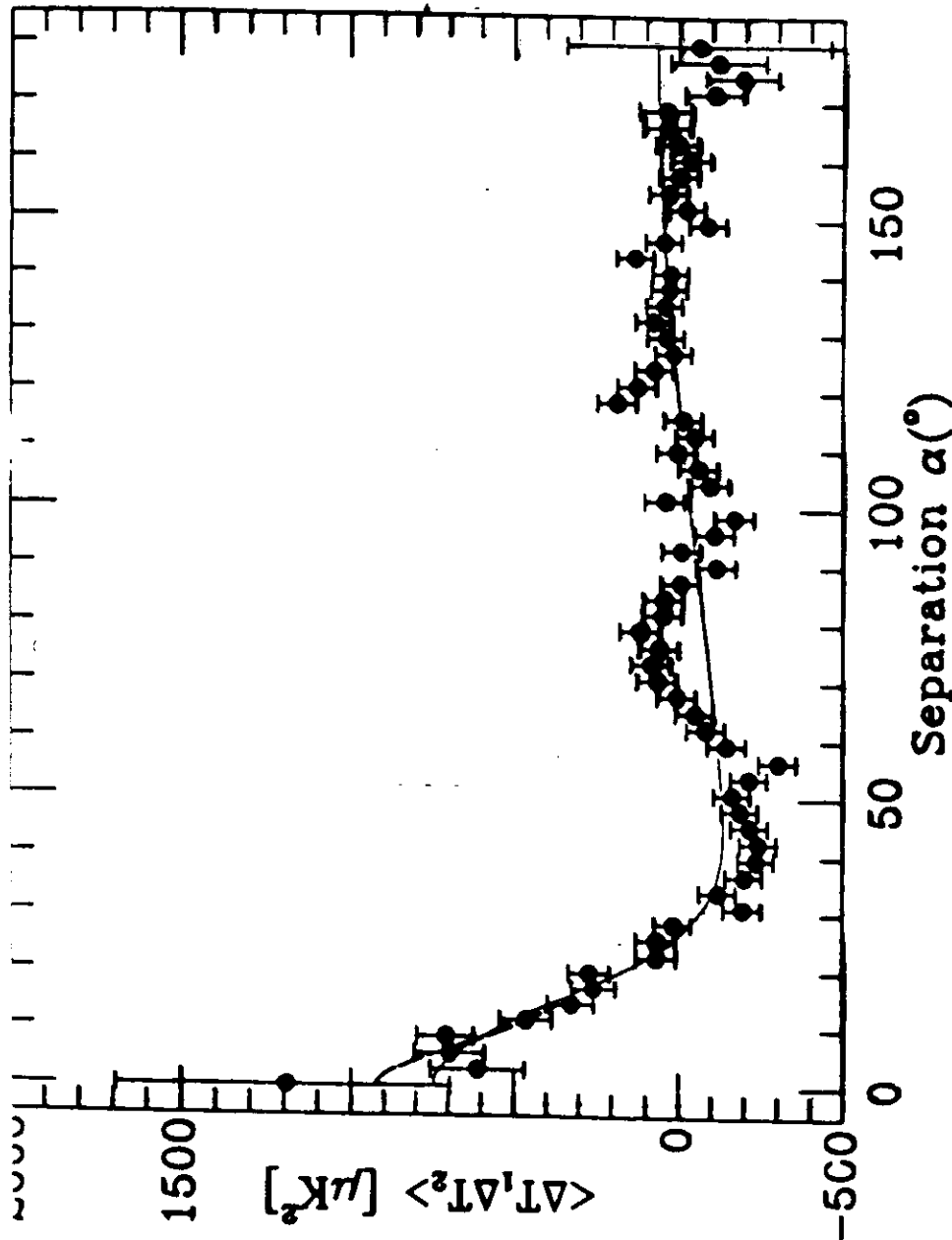
Universe



$\Delta T_2^2 = \frac{1}{4\pi} \sum_{\ell} |a_{\ell m}|^2$ ← sum of the squares of $2\ell+1$ gaussian random variables
 $\therefore \Delta T_2^2$ has a χ^2 distribution



perfect $n=1$
 power spectrum
 $\propto \frac{1}{\ell}$



Getting n from $C_d(\alpha)$ (one way)

1) assume the universe is described by a power law $P(k) \propto k^n$

2) $C_n(\alpha) = \sum_l \langle \Delta T_l^2 \rangle_n P_l(\cos \alpha) W_l^2$

$\uparrow$ power spectrum $\nwarrow$ Legendre polynomials
 $\nwarrow$ beam cut off

here

$$\langle \Delta T_l^2 \rangle_n = \underbrace{\langle \Delta T_2^2 \rangle}_{Q_{rms-ps}^2} \frac{2l+1}{5} \frac{\Gamma(l+\frac{n-1}{2}) \Gamma(\frac{3-n}{2})}{\Gamma(l+\frac{5-n}{2}) \Gamma(\frac{3+n}{2})}$$

cf. Bond + Efstathiou ApJ '87

$Q_{rms-ps}^2 \leftarrow$ sets the amplitude of the entire power spectrum

3) $\chi_n^2 = \sum_i \frac{[C_d(\alpha_i) - C_n(\alpha_i)]^2}{\sigma_d(\alpha_i)^2 + \sigma_n(\alpha_i)^2} \rightarrow \frac{\partial \chi_n^2}{\partial Q_{rms-ps}} = 0 \rightarrow \text{solve for } Q_{rms-ps} \rightarrow \chi_n^2$

$\left. \begin{matrix} n_1 \rightarrow \chi_{n_1}^2 \\ n_2 \rightarrow \chi_{n_2}^2 \\ n_3 \rightarrow \chi_{n_3}^2 \\ \vdots \end{matrix} \right\}$ choose lowest $\rightarrow$ best fit n
 best fit Q_{rms-ps}

cosmic variance

more sophisticated technique using monte carloing
 covariance matrices handles the correlated errors
 rectly but yields the same answers

approach	n	$Q_{rms-ps} (\mu K)$
best fit (no quad, no cosmic variance)	1.1 ± 0.5	16 ± 4
best fit (no quad, with cosmic variance)	$1.15_{-0.65}^{+0.45}$	16.3 ± 4.4
best fit (with quad)	1.5	14
forced $n=1$ (no quad, with cosmic var)	1.0	17 ± 5
* $ \mathbf{b} > 20^\circ$ for all		

measured $Q_{rms} = 13 \pm 4 \mu K$

$\sigma(@10^\circ \text{ smoothing}) = 30 \pm 5 \mu K$

$\sigma(@10^\circ \text{ smoothing}) = 2 Q_{rms-ps}$ for $n=1$

$$\frac{30 \pm 5 \mu K}{2} = 15 \mu K$$

$\sim 1\%$ of dipole is cosmic

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