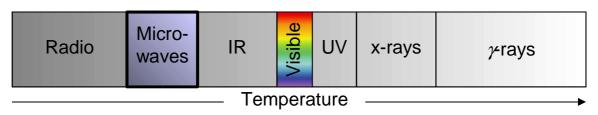
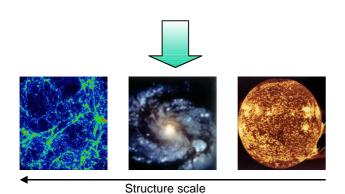
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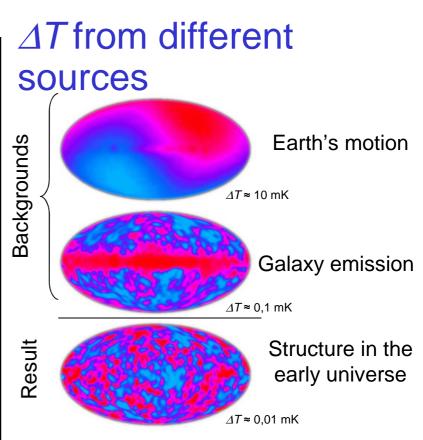
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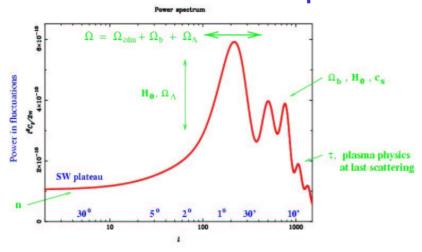
Properties

- Omnipresent radiation
- Emitted when the universe was about 300 000 years old
- Almost isotropic
- Temperature T≈ 2,725 K
- △T variations in T are the seeds for galaxies, stars etc





The power spectrum



Decreasing angular scale

Answers the questions:

- Expansion rate of the universe?
- Accelerating universe?
- Dark matter?
- · Cosmological constant?
- Inflation?
- Superstring theory?

