The History and the Fate of the Universe





A. The Expanding Universe

- 1. What was Einstein's view of the Universe?
- 2. What observation shattered his view?
- **3.** What is the explanation for Hubble's observation?
- 4. How do we measure Hubble's Constant?
- 5. What information do we get from it?



B. The History of the Universe-Big Bang to Present Day.

- 1. Before 10⁻⁴³ seconds.
- 2. Why does the early Universe have no particles?
- 3. What is the Quark Soup
- 4. Why is the universe 25% helium?
- 5. Why were the Dark Ages "dark"?
- 6. What is the CMB?
- 7. What information do we get from it?

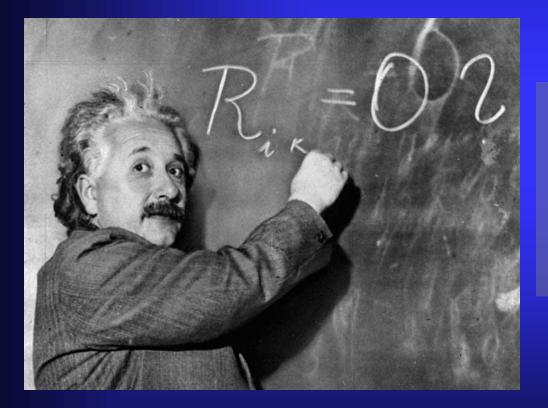


C. Dark Matter

- 1. What is the evidence?
- 2. What are three possible explanations?
- 3. What's the most plausible (currently)

The Repulsive Force

The Universe is static, you see.

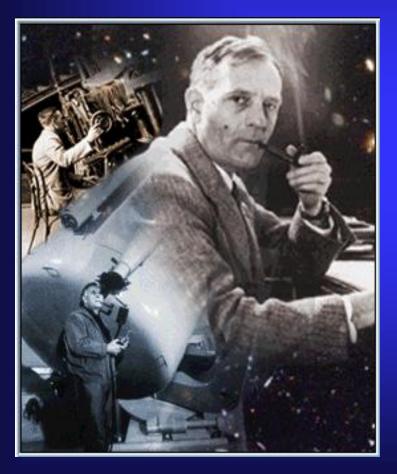


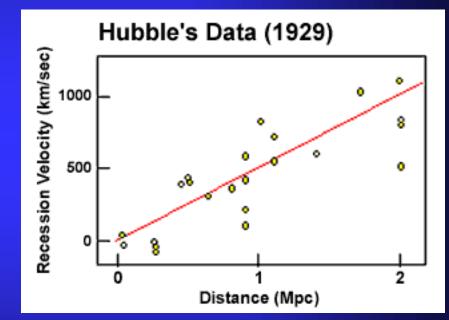
A repulsive force is introduced to halt gravitational collapse



Galactic Red Shift

Everything is moving away!



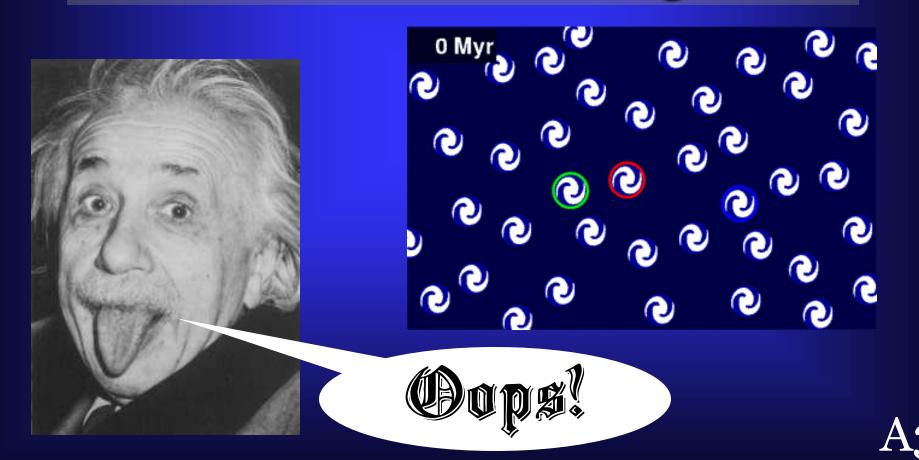


 $V = H_0 D$

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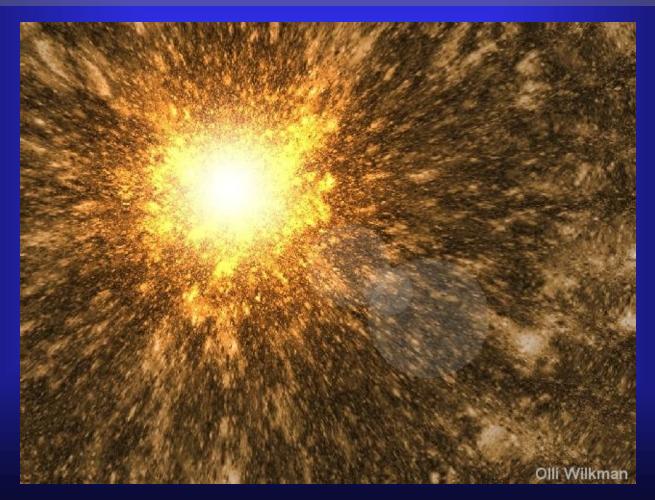
The Universe is Expanding

The space between galaxies must be increasing



Measuring H_o

Measure lots of supernova at lots of distances



The Age of the Universe



Everything is moving apart.

In the past, things were closer together.

A long time ago, they must have all been in the same place!

The ENTIRE universe occupied a single point

Bang!

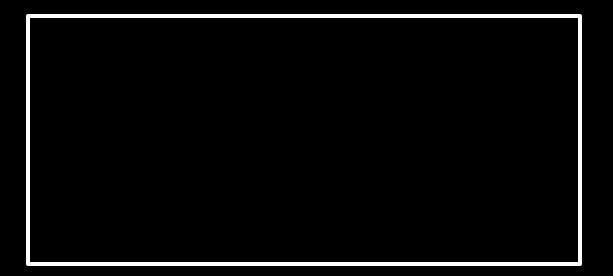
The moment of creation

It makes no sense to ask what happened before the Big Bang There is no before

It makes no sense to ask what is outside the Universe There is no outside

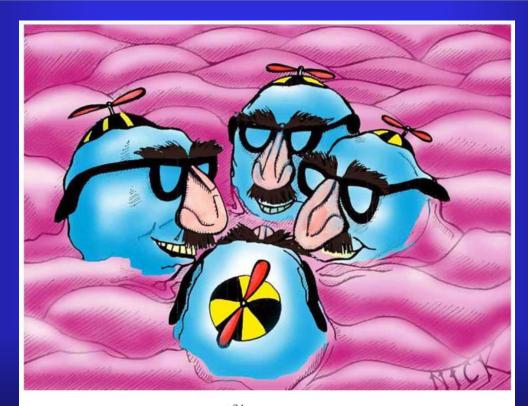
Space and Time came into existence at the Big Bang

Everything that we know before 10⁻⁴³ seconds.



Quantum Fluctuations

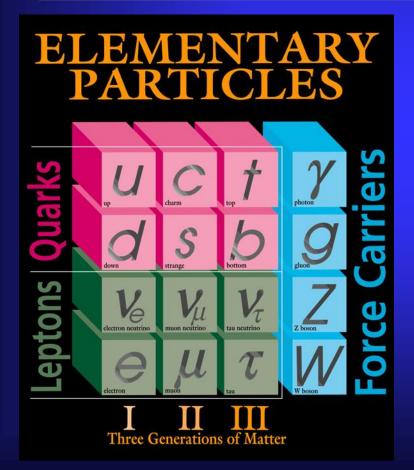
The very early universe is ruled by quantum effects



At a resolution of 10⁻²⁴ metres, isolated clumps of Strange Matter pop briefly out of the quantum foam to debate the possible existence of Particle Physicists.

Particles at Last

The energy density drops so that particles can form



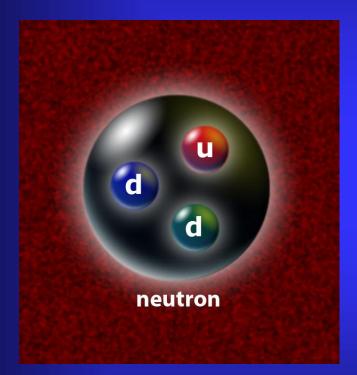
The era of particle physics begins at 10⁻¹⁰ seconds

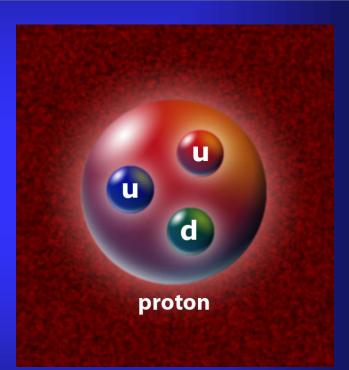
This is the **quark soup** era

B3

Nucleosynthesis

The Universe is about 1 second old





Quarks combine to form protons and neutrons

Distance

After Nucleosynthesis, the Universe was "dark" because

A) Fusion stopped so no light was being produced
B) The universe was too dense to produce light
C) There was plenty of light, it just couldn't get very far

The Dark Ages

The Universe is opaque for a long time.



Densities are too high for photons to go very far

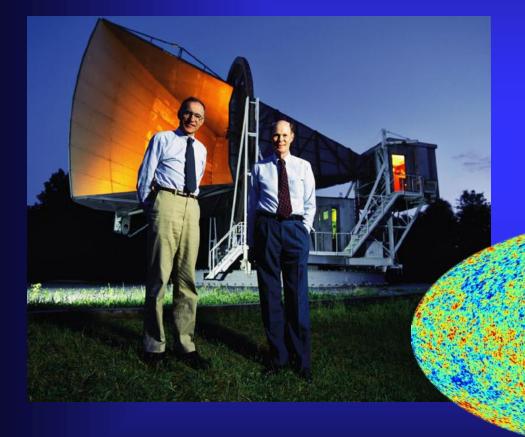
The Fog Lifts

After 380,000 years, the photons are free



Evidence

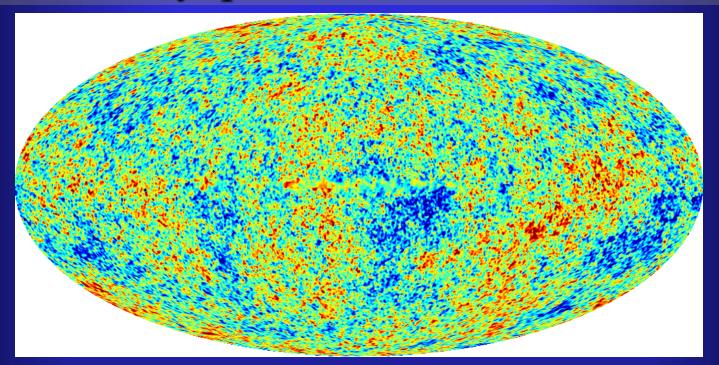
Where are the first free photons?



Cosmic Microwave Background

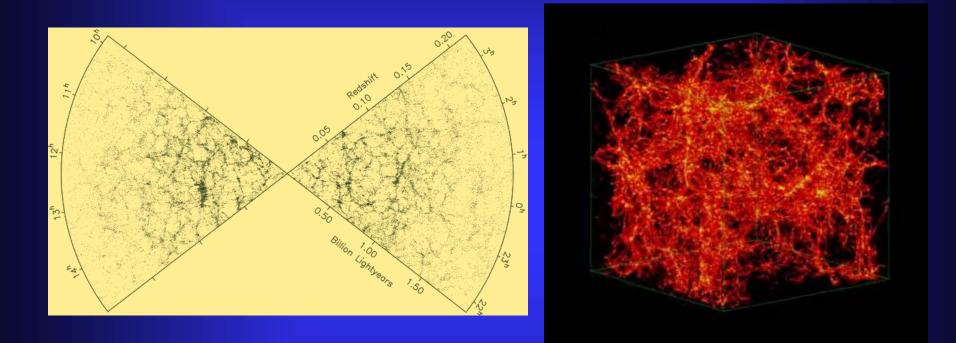
The Seeds of Structure

A period of rapid inflation magnified the early quantum fluctuations



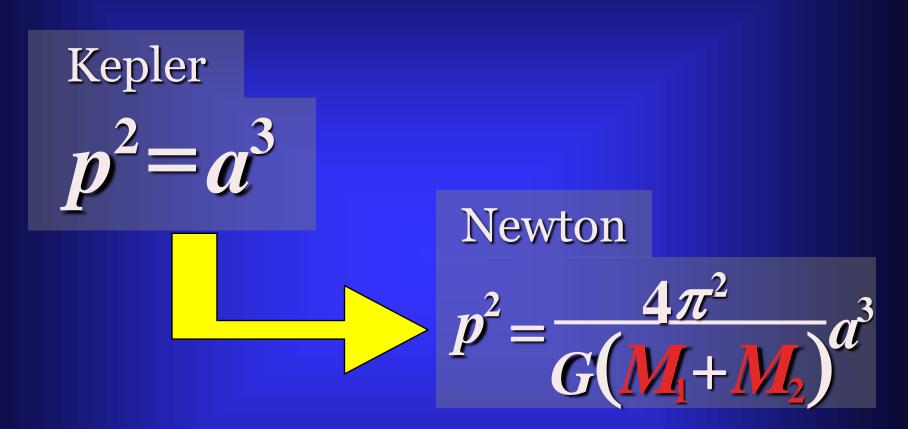
On large scales, the Universe is quite uniform

How to Build a Universe



The original over densities eventually grew into galaxies

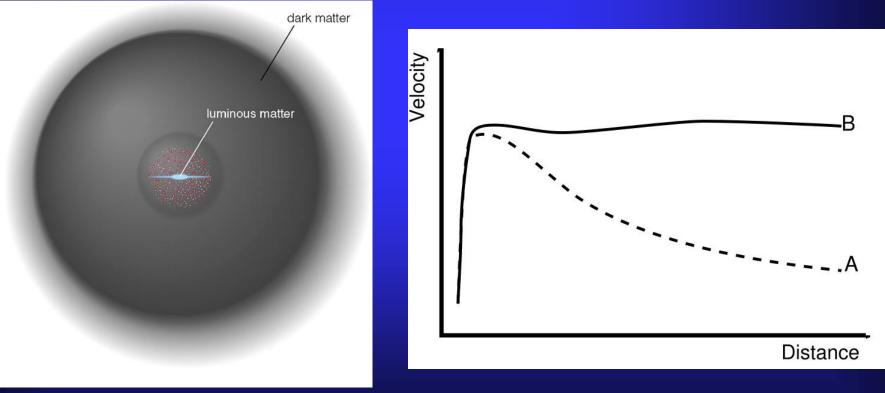
Dark Matter



Orbital period depends on *BOTH* masses

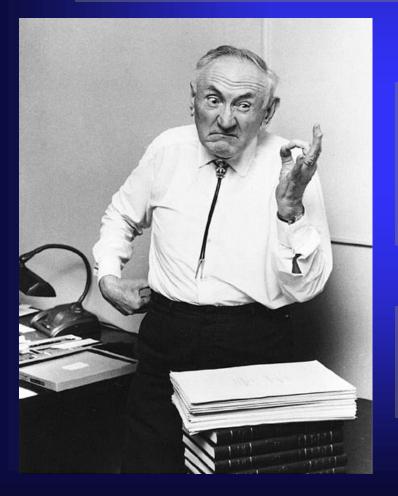
Galactic Rotation Curve

We can't see all of the Milky Way's mass



Galaxy Clusters

Orbital velocities in clusters of galaxies are strange too

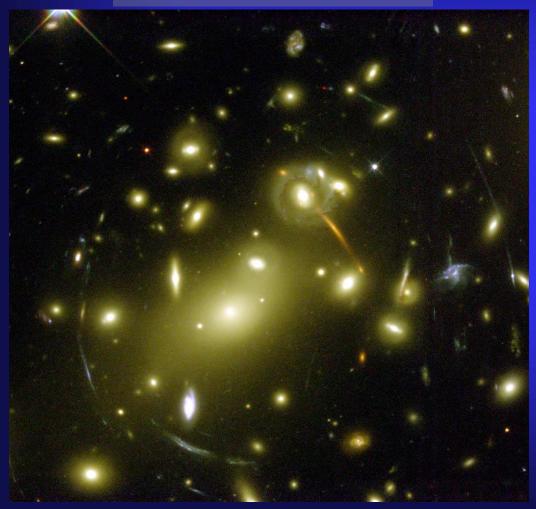


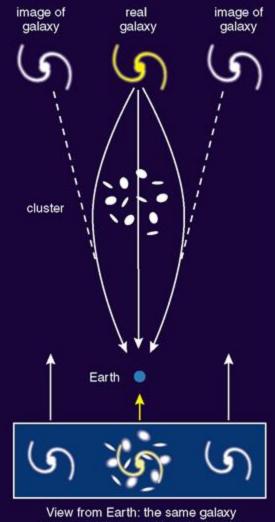
We can 'weigh' the cluster by measuring velocities of the galaxies

Once again, there isn't enough mass.

Gravitational Lensing

Abel Cluster





appears at three positions in the sky.

What is it?

Could it be ordinary matter?



MACHO's Massive Compact Halo Objects

Surveys detect a few, but not enough



WIMP's

Or is it extraordinary matter?



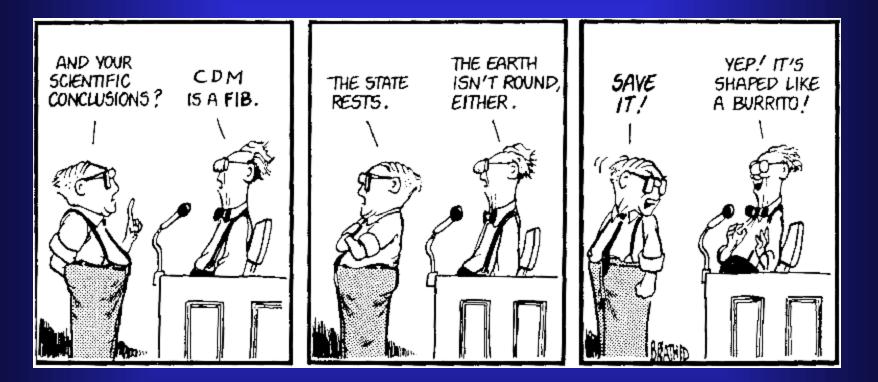
Weakly Interacting Massive Particles

They Interact gravitationally only

CMD = Cold Dark Matter

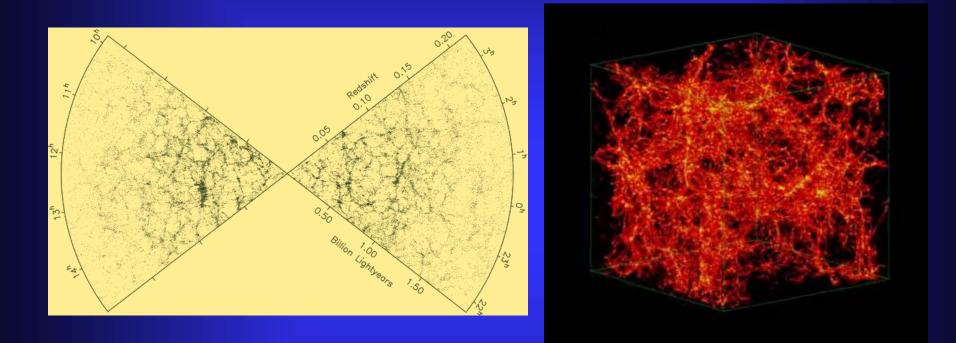
MoND

Modified Newtonian Dynamics



It hasn't come close to working yet

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What Shape is the Universe?

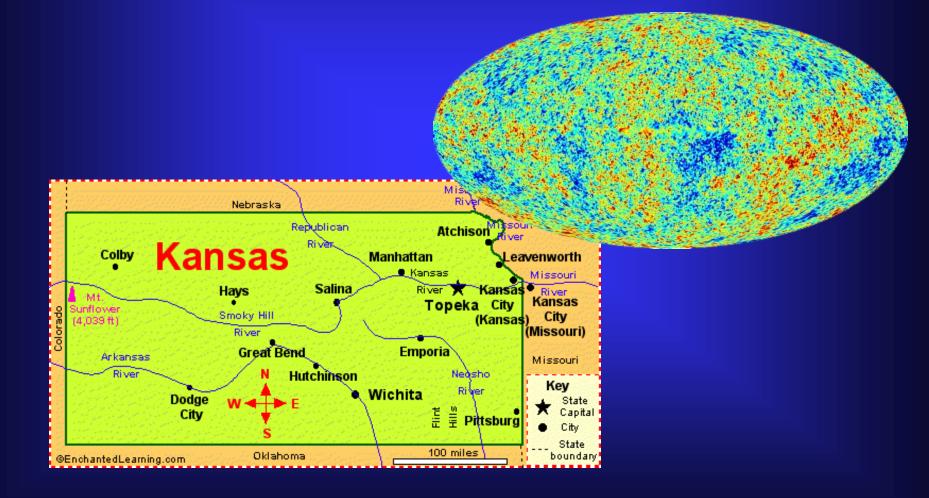
Since gravity warps space... what is the overall shape of the Universe?





Looks Pretty Flat

At least overall.



The Fate of the Universe

An escape velocity question on a grand scale

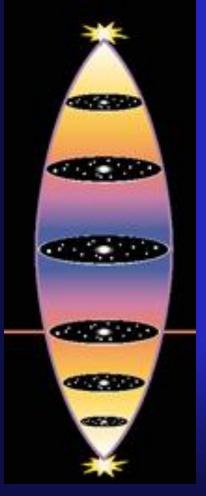


It the Universe has Critical Density it will re-collapse

If it doesn't, it won't

The Big Crunch

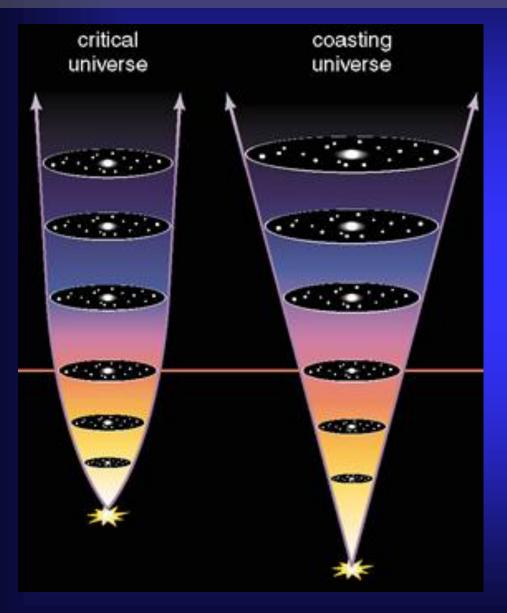
recollapsing universe



The density of the Universe is greater than critical density and the Universe recollapses

Perhaps there is another Big Bang and the whole thing just keeps happening over and over

Heat Death



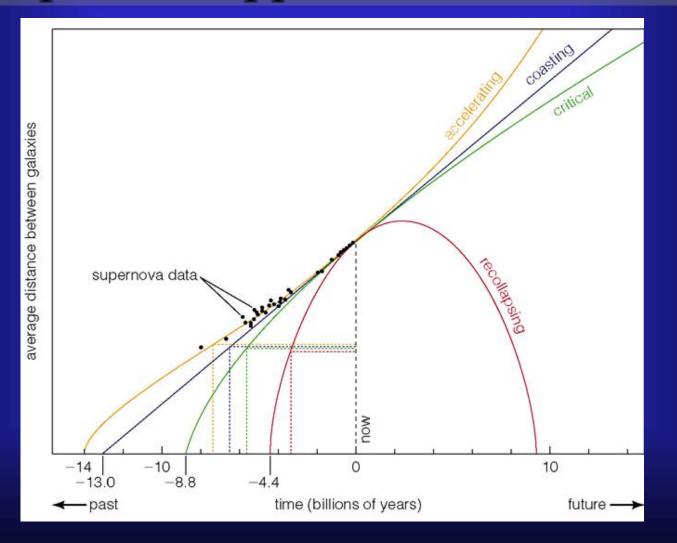
The density of the Universe is at or below critical density

> It will expand forever

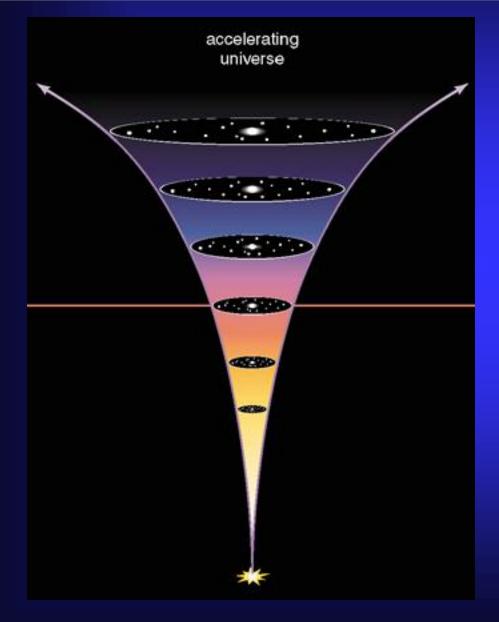
Eventually all of the stars will burn out

Some Things Never Die

The expansion appears to be accelerating



The Big Rip



Eventually the expansion will be so fast that gravity won't hold it together

Eventually NOTHING will hold it together!

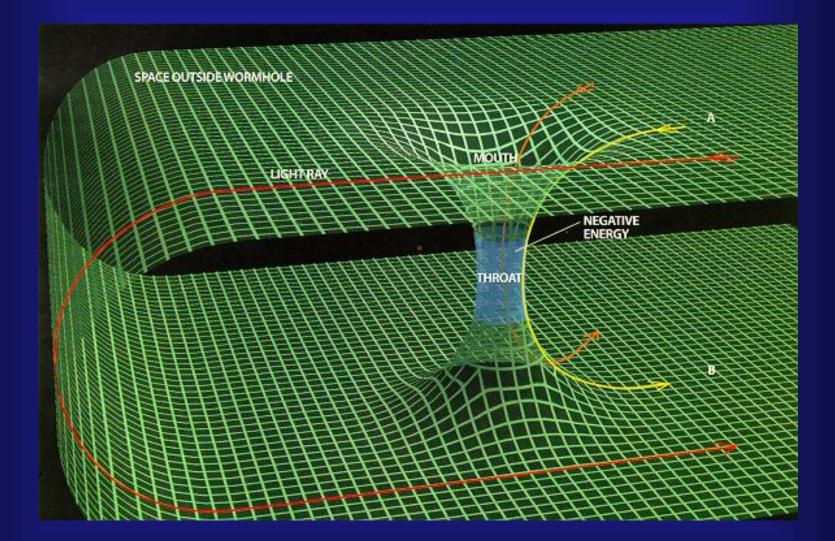
The End?

Current models 30 percent matter 70 percent dark energy

The super nova data remains controversial

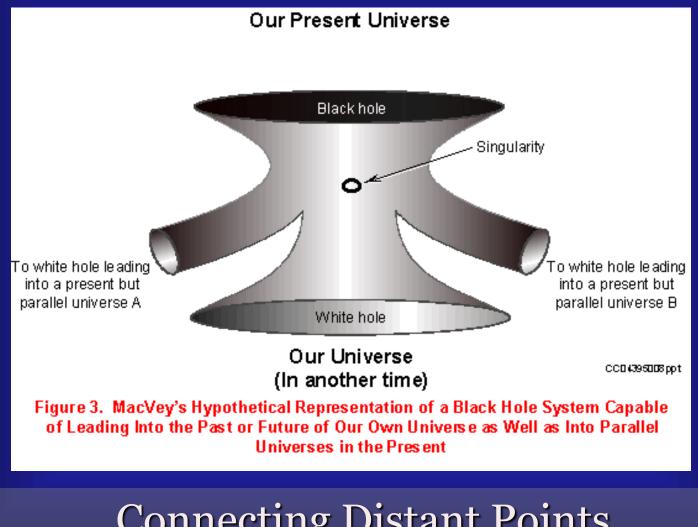
Remember the Ether!

Wormholes



Connecting Distant Points

Black, White, Worm...



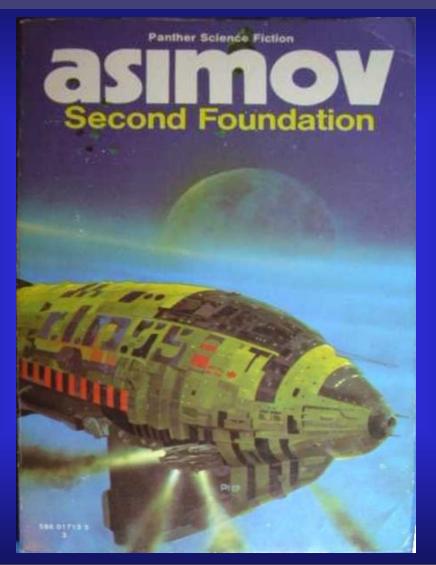
Connecting Distant Points In space AND time





According to Drake, N = 10,000

Galactic Colonization!



How long would it take to colonize the galaxy?

Where are they?

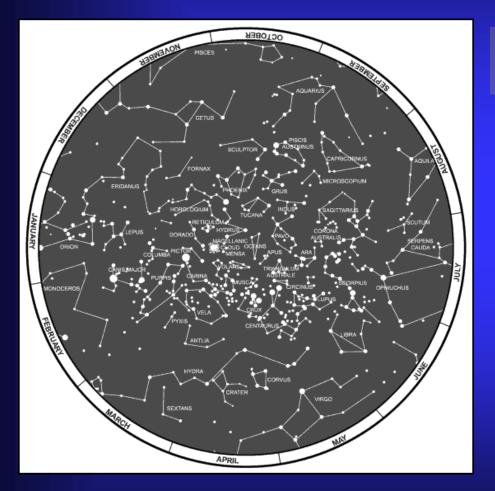
They're Here!

They've come and gone... Not interested

How long does it take to develop intelligence?

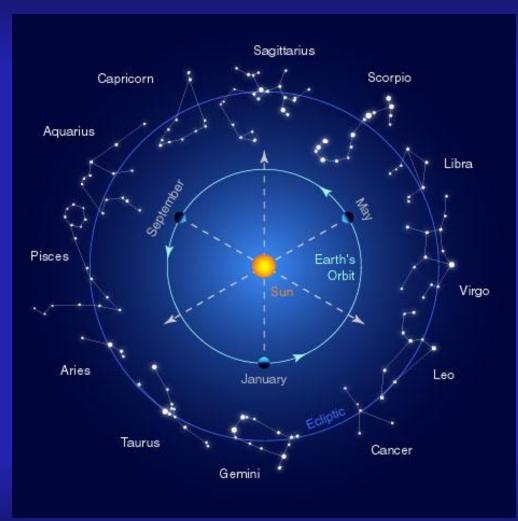
How long do intelligent civilizations persist?

Constellations



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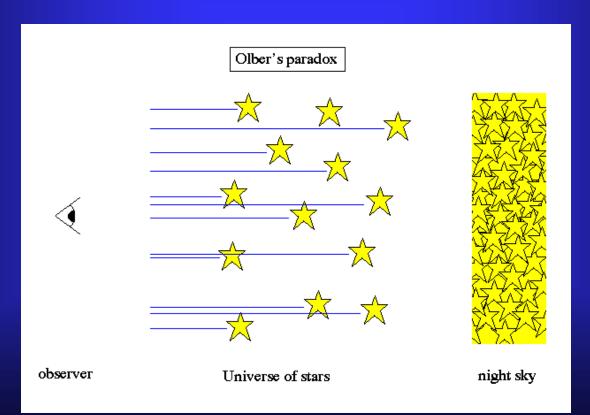
Astrology



A testable hypothesis?

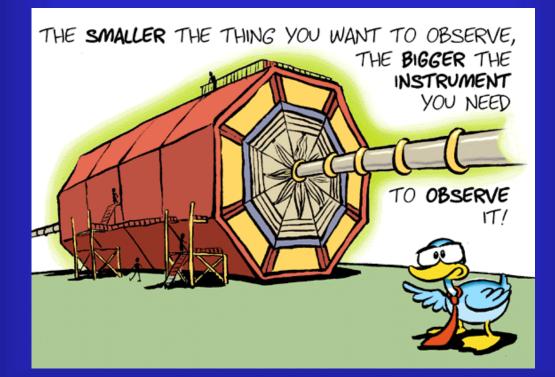
Olber's Paradox

The Universe is definitely much different today than it was in the past



A Brief History

At first, there was no matter



We use particle accelerators to study the very beginning