

# Non-linear evolution of CDM and massive neutrino perturbations

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# Overview

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- Neutrinos are massive  $m_\nu = 0.05\text{eV} - 0.5\text{eV}$
- Not negligible  $\Omega_\nu = 10^{-3} - 10^{-2}$ 
  - Contribute to large scale structure
- Density on small scales smaller than CDM, due to free streaming
- Need formalism to calculate higher order correlations

$$P \cdot \delta(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2) = \langle \delta(\mathbf{k}_1) \cdot \delta(\mathbf{k}_2) \rangle$$

$$\delta = \frac{\rho_{\text{CDM}} \cdot \delta_{\text{CDM}} + \rho_\nu \cdot \delta_\nu}{\rho_{\text{CDM}} + \rho_\nu}$$

$$B \cdot \delta(\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2 + \mathbf{k}_3) = \langle \delta(\mathbf{k}_1) \cdot \delta(\mathbf{k}_2) \cdot \delta(\mathbf{k}_3) \rangle$$

# CDM Perturbations

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Structure formation of CDM well described by fluid equations:

$$\frac{\partial \delta}{\partial \tau} + \theta = - \int d^3 k_1 d^3 k_2 \delta(\mathbf{k} - (\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2)) \cdot \alpha(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2) \cdot \theta(\mathbf{k}_1) \cdot \delta(\mathbf{k}_2)$$
$$\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial \tau} + \mathcal{H} \cdot \theta + \frac{3}{2} \mathcal{H}^2 \cdot \Omega_{\text{CDM}} \cdot \delta = - \int d^3 k_1 d^3 k_2 \delta(\mathbf{k} - (\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2)) \cdot \beta(\mathbf{k}_1, \mathbf{k}_2) \cdot \theta(\mathbf{k}_1) \cdot \theta(\mathbf{k}_2)$$

Perturbation theory:

1. Find greens function of left side
2. Transform into integral equation
3. Solve iteratively

Generalize for CDM and massive neutrinos:

$$\frac{3}{2} \Omega_{\text{CDM}} \cdot \mathcal{H}^2 \cdot \delta \rightarrow \frac{3}{2} \mathcal{H}^2 (\Omega_{\text{CDM}} \cdot \delta + \Omega_{\nu} \cdot \delta_{\nu})$$

Plus evolution equation for neutrinos

Apply same solution strategy, for coupled system

# Neutrino Free Streaming

For Neutrinos stress not negligible

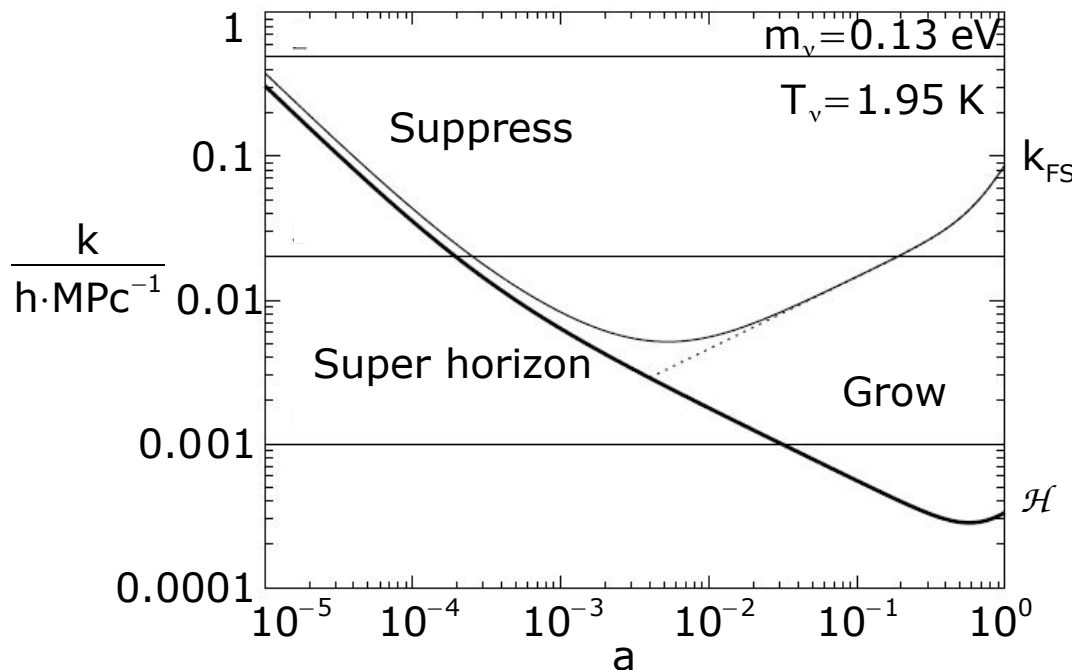
$$\frac{\partial \delta}{\partial \tau} + \theta = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial \tau} + \mathcal{H} \cdot \theta + \left( \frac{3}{2} \mathcal{H}^2 - k^2 \cdot c_s^2 \right) \delta = 0$$

Gravitational potential effectively reduced

Free streaming scale:

$$k_{\text{FS}} = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \frac{\mathcal{H}}{c_s} \approx \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} \frac{\mathcal{H}}{\sigma}$$



$$c_s^2 \approx \sigma^2 = \frac{\int dq q^2 \cdot \left(\frac{q}{\epsilon}\right)^2 \cdot f^{(0)}(q)}{\int dq q^2 \cdot f^{(0)}(q)}$$

Masatoshi Shoji & Eiichiro Komatsu(2010)  
arxiv: 1003.0942

# Boltzmann Equation

Without Knowledge of stress, have to start with full Boltzmann equation

$$p^A e_{A\mu}^\mu \partial_\mu f - \Omega_{BC}^a p^B p^C \partial_{p^a} f = 0$$

Tetraed base:  $e_A^\mu$

Observer 4-velocity:  $e_0^\mu = u^\mu$

3-momentum direction:  $n^a = e_\mu^a n^\mu$

$$\Rightarrow p^\mu = E u^\mu + p n^\mu$$

Spin connection:  $\Omega_{BC}^A = e_\mu^A (e_{C,\lambda}^\mu + \Gamma_{\lambda\delta}^\mu e_C^\delta) e_B^\lambda$

Splitting into background and perturbation  $f = f^{(0)} + \delta f$ ,  $\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{e}^{(0)} + \delta \mathbf{e}$ ,  $\Omega = \Omega^{(0)} + \delta \Omega$   
yields equation of the Form

$$\rightarrow D \delta f = S[\delta f]$$

linear differential-  
integral-operator

non-linear differential-  
integral-operator

This equation is equivalent to:

$$\delta f = \delta f_L + D^{-1} S[\delta f]$$

$$\text{Linear Problem: } D \delta f_L = 0 \quad \delta f_L(\tau_i) = \delta f_i$$

$$\text{Operator inverse: } D \delta \tilde{f} = g \quad \delta \tilde{f}(\tau_i) = 0$$

→ Solve iteratively

# Boltzmann Hierarchy I

If  $D$  differential operator, then problem reduces to find greens function

Try to reduce Problem, in order to get differential equation

Expand the momentum direction dependence into spherical harmonics

$$f = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \sum_{m=-l}^l i^l \cdot \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{2l+1}} \cdot f_{lm} \cdot Y_{lm}$$

$m=0$  scalar modes  
 $m=\pm 1$  vector modes  
 $m=\pm 2$  tensor modes

$$f_{lm} = (-i)^l \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2l+1}{4\pi}} \cdot \langle Y_{lm}, f \rangle$$

$$\langle g, f \rangle := \int d\Omega g^* \cdot f$$

Boltzmann eqn. becomes an infinite hierarchy of eqns.

$$\frac{df_{lm}}{d\eta}(q, \mathbf{k}, \eta) + \frac{k}{\mathcal{H}} \frac{q}{\epsilon} C_{lml'm'} f_{l'm'}(q, \mathbf{k}, \eta) = S_{lm}$$

$$\begin{aligned} q &= \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{p} \\ \epsilon &= \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{E} \\ \eta &= \ln(a) \end{aligned}$$

Couples  $l$  with  $l \pm 1 \times O(1)$       Non- and linear gravity

At linear order only can restrict to scalar modes therefore drop index  $m$

# Boltzmann Hierarchy II

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Interested in late times  $\longrightarrow$  massive neutrinos non relativistic:

$$\left(\frac{q}{\epsilon}\right)^2 \sim \frac{T_\nu}{m_\nu \cdot a} \ll 1$$

Influence of mode  $l \pm n$  on  $l$  suppressed by  $\left(\frac{k}{\mathcal{H}} \frac{q}{\epsilon}\right)^n$

Hierarchy can be truncated at  $l=2$  ( $f_{lm}=0$   $l \geq 3$ )

See: Masatoshi Shoji & Eiichiro Komatsu(2010)

But left with coupled integral-differential equation  
with dependence on 5(3) variables!



# Boltzmann Hierarchy III

Only first few moments of physical interest

- Energy-momentum-tensor
- Density contrast

$$\text{Define: } f_{nl} = \frac{\int_0^\infty dq q^2 \cdot \epsilon \cdot \left(\frac{q}{\epsilon}\right)^{2n+1} \cdot f_l}{\int_0^\infty dq q^2 \cdot \epsilon \cdot f^{(0)}} \longrightarrow \begin{array}{l} f_{00} = \delta \\ k \cdot f_{01} \propto \theta \end{array}$$

For non-relativistic particles:  $f_{nl} \gg f_{NL}$  for  $N \geq n$   $L \geq l$

$$w_n = \frac{\int_0^\infty dq q^2 \cdot \epsilon \cdot \left(\frac{q}{\epsilon}\right)^{2n} \cdot f^{(0)}}{\int_0^\infty dq q^2 \cdot \epsilon \cdot f^{(0)}} = O\left(\left(\frac{T}{a \cdot m}\right)^n\right) \longrightarrow \text{Expansion parameter}$$

On sub horizon scales  $\longrightarrow$  Newtonian limit

# Boltzmann Hierarchy IV

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$$\kappa = 8\pi G$$

$$f'_{nl} + (2n+1)f_{nl} + \frac{k}{\mathcal{H}} C_{nl|n'l'} f_{n'l'}$$
$$-\frac{\kappa}{2} \frac{a^2}{k \cdot \mathcal{H}} \delta_{1l} (3+2n) w_n (\rho_{\text{CDM}} \cdot \delta + \rho_v \cdot f_{00}) = S_{nl}$$

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$$f_{nl} \propto a^{-2n+1}$$

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Couples mode  $(n, l)$  with  $(n, l+1)$  and  $(n+1, l-1)$

Smaller, but pre factor large on small scales

→ Straightforward truncation not valid

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Small for high  $n$   
Small on small scales

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Full free streaming  
Ignore self gravity for high moments

# Gilbert's Equation I

Boltzmann equation can be written as an integral equation

$$f(\eta, \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}) = e^{-i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{l}(\eta, \eta_i)} \cdot f_i(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{q}) + i \int_{\eta_i}^{\eta} d\eta' \frac{\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{q} \cdot \epsilon}{a \cdot \mathcal{H} \cdot q} e^{-i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{l}(\eta, \eta')} \cdot \partial_q f^{(0)} \cdot \Phi + S[f]$$

↑  
Greens function  
without gravity

$$l(\eta, \eta_i) = \int_{\eta_i}^{\eta} d\eta' \frac{1}{\mathcal{H}} \frac{q}{\epsilon}$$

For one Moment at the Linear order this yields

$$f_{nlm} + (-i)^l \cdot \delta_{m0} \frac{\kappa}{2k} \int_{\eta_i}^{\eta} d\eta' (\rho_{\text{CDM}} \cdot \delta + \rho_v \cdot f_{000}) \Pi_{nl}(\eta, \eta') = I_{nlm}$$

$$I_{nlm} = (f_{nlm})_{\Phi=0}$$

$$\Pi_{nl}(\eta, \eta') = \frac{a^2(\eta')}{\mathcal{H}(\eta')} \frac{1}{(a(\eta) \cdot m)^{2n+l-1}} \int_0^{\infty} dq \frac{f^{(0)}}{\tilde{f}_0^{(0)}} q^{(2n+l+2)} \cdot F_{nl}(k \cdot l(\eta', \eta))$$

$$\leq C_{nl} \cdot w_{n+\frac{l}{2}}(\eta')$$

# Gilbert's Equation II

Ignoring CDM this gives a closed equation for the density contrast

$$f_{00} + \frac{\kappa}{2k} \int_{\eta_i}^{\eta} d\eta' \rho \cdot f_{00} \cdot \Pi_{00}(\eta, \eta') = I_{000} \qquad f_{00} = \frac{\int_0^{\infty} dq q^2 \cdot \epsilon \int d\Omega f}{\int_0^{\infty} dq q^2 \epsilon \int d\Omega f^{(0)}}$$

Has a solution as a power Series in  $\frac{\kappa}{2k}$

$$f_{00} = I_{00} - \frac{\kappa}{2k} \int_{\eta_i}^{\eta} d\eta_1 \rho \cdot I_{00} \cdot \Pi_{00}(\eta, \eta_1) \\ + \left(\frac{\kappa}{2k}\right)^2 \int_{\eta_i}^{\eta} d\eta_1 \rho \cdot \Pi_{00}(\eta, \eta_1) \cdot \int_{\eta_i}^{\eta_1} d\eta_2 \rho \cdot I_{00} \cdot \Pi_{00}(\eta, \eta_2) + \dots$$

Only valid on small scales!

Combine this approach with moment equations  
Closed equation for a set of (interesting) moments



# Gilbert's Equation III

Replace stress and pressure by the integral equation

$$f'_{00} + \frac{k}{\mathcal{H}} \frac{1}{3} f_{01} = 0$$

$$f'_{01} + f_{01} - \frac{3\kappa}{2} \frac{w_0 \cdot a^2}{k \cdot \mathcal{H}} \rho \cdot f_{00}$$

$$+ \frac{\kappa}{\mathcal{H}^2} \int_{\eta_i}^{\eta} d\eta' \rho \cdot f_{00} \left( \frac{2}{7} \Pi_{02}(\eta, \eta') - \Pi_{10}(\eta, \eta') \right) = \frac{k}{\mathcal{H}} \left( I_{10} - \frac{2}{7} I_{02} \right)$$

Pressure:  $P \propto f_{10} = \frac{\int_0^{\infty} dq q^2 \cdot \epsilon \left( \frac{q}{\epsilon} \right)^2 \int d\Omega f}{\int_0^{\infty} dq q^2 \epsilon \int d\Omega f^{(0)}}$

Scalar stress:  $\sigma \propto f_{02} = - \frac{\sqrt{5} \int_0^{\infty} dq q^2 \cdot \epsilon \left( \frac{q}{\epsilon} \right)^2 \int d\Omega Y_{20}^* f}{\int_0^{\infty} dq q^2 \epsilon \int d\Omega f^{(0)}}$

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$$\delta = f_{00} = \frac{\int_0^{\infty} dq q^2 \cdot \epsilon \int d\Omega f}{\int_0^{\infty} dq q^2 \epsilon \int d\Omega f^{(0)}}$$

$$\theta \propto k \cdot f_{01} = -ik \frac{\sqrt{3} \int_0^{\infty} dq q^2 \cdot \epsilon \int d\Omega Y_{lm}^* f}{\int_0^{\infty} dq q^2 \epsilon \int d\Omega f^{(0)}}$$

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$$\mathbf{f} = \begin{pmatrix} f_{00} \\ f_{01} \end{pmatrix}$$

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Valid on small and large scales!  
Near the free streaming scale???

# Extension to Higher Order

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- Reduce to interesting moments
  - Like CDM
    - More quantities
    - Effective initial conditions
    - Small corrections to greens function
  - Large relative errors for “high” moments
- Take only density contrast, use formal solution to calculate full distribution function or some moments
  - Same relative error for all moments
  - Slightly more complicated
  - Physical less intuitive
    - Physical meaningful equations only intermediate step

# Summary

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- Boltzmann eqn. can be simplified by moment expansion
  - Momentum direction into spherical harmonics
  - Magnitude into powers of velocity
- High moments small compared to low
  - But straightforward truncation not valid
- Take free streaming full into account
- Influence of gravity on high modes leads to small corrections for low modes
- Solution of linear problem can be obtained
  - Use as starting point for a systematic treatment of higher orders