

Cosmology from the high redshift 21cm line
or
Fast Large Volume Simulations of the 21cm
signal from the Reionization and pre-
Reionization Epochs

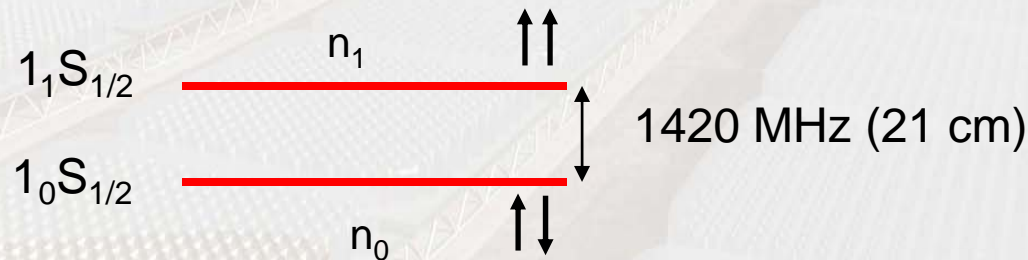
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21cm radiation

- Measurements of neutral fraction are required at a range of redshifts and along many lines-of sight => 21cm tomography.
- Hyperfine transition (electron/proton spin in hydrogen atom):



- 1) Directly probes neutral hydrogen
- 2) Hydrogen – 75% baryonic mass in the Universe

excitation temperature of 21 cm

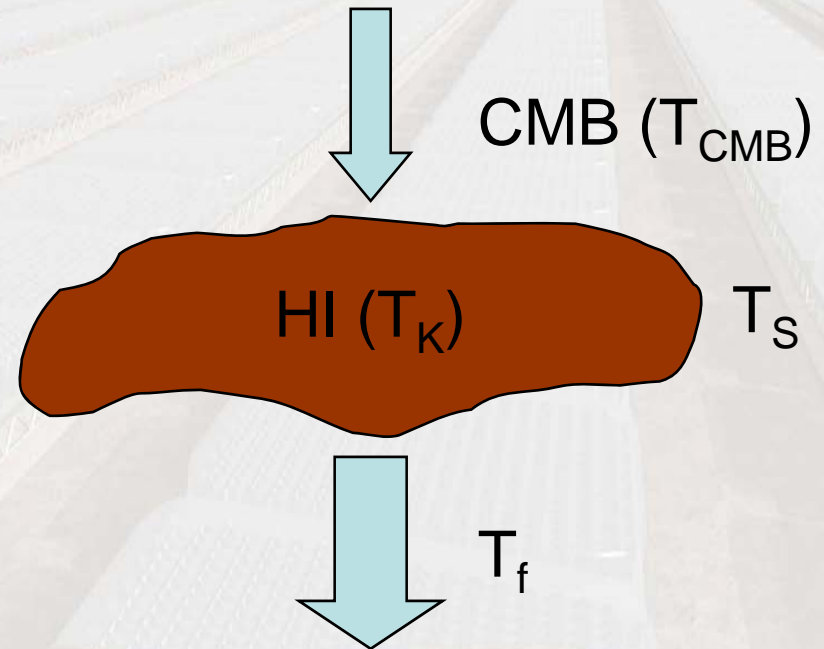
transition \equiv spin temperature T_S :

$$\frac{n_1}{n_0} = \frac{g_1}{g_0} e^{-h\nu_{21}/kT_S}$$

- 1) Provide redshift information
- 2) No need for bright background sources

Effect on CMB

- Intensity of CMB radiation will increase or decrease depending on temperature of the source



Radiative transfer:

$$T_f = T_{CMB} e^{-\tau_{21}} + T_S (1 - e^{-\tau_{21}})$$

Brightness temperature

As seen from Earth - $T_b(\nu) = (T_f - T_{\text{CMB}}(z))/(1+z)$:

$$T_b(\nu) \sim 27(1 + \delta_b)x_{\text{HI}} \left(1 - \frac{1+z}{H(z)} \frac{\partial v}{\partial r}\right) \left(\frac{T_S - T_{\text{CMB}}}{T_S}\right) \left(\frac{1+z}{10}\right)^{1/2} \text{ (mK)}$$

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- 3D mapping of HI possible - angles + frequency
- δ_b – baryon density perturbation
- $\partial v/\partial r$ – peculiar velocity gradient (gravitational Potential – CDM)
- x_{HI} – neutral fraction
- T_S – spin temperature

“Cosmological”

“Astrophysical”

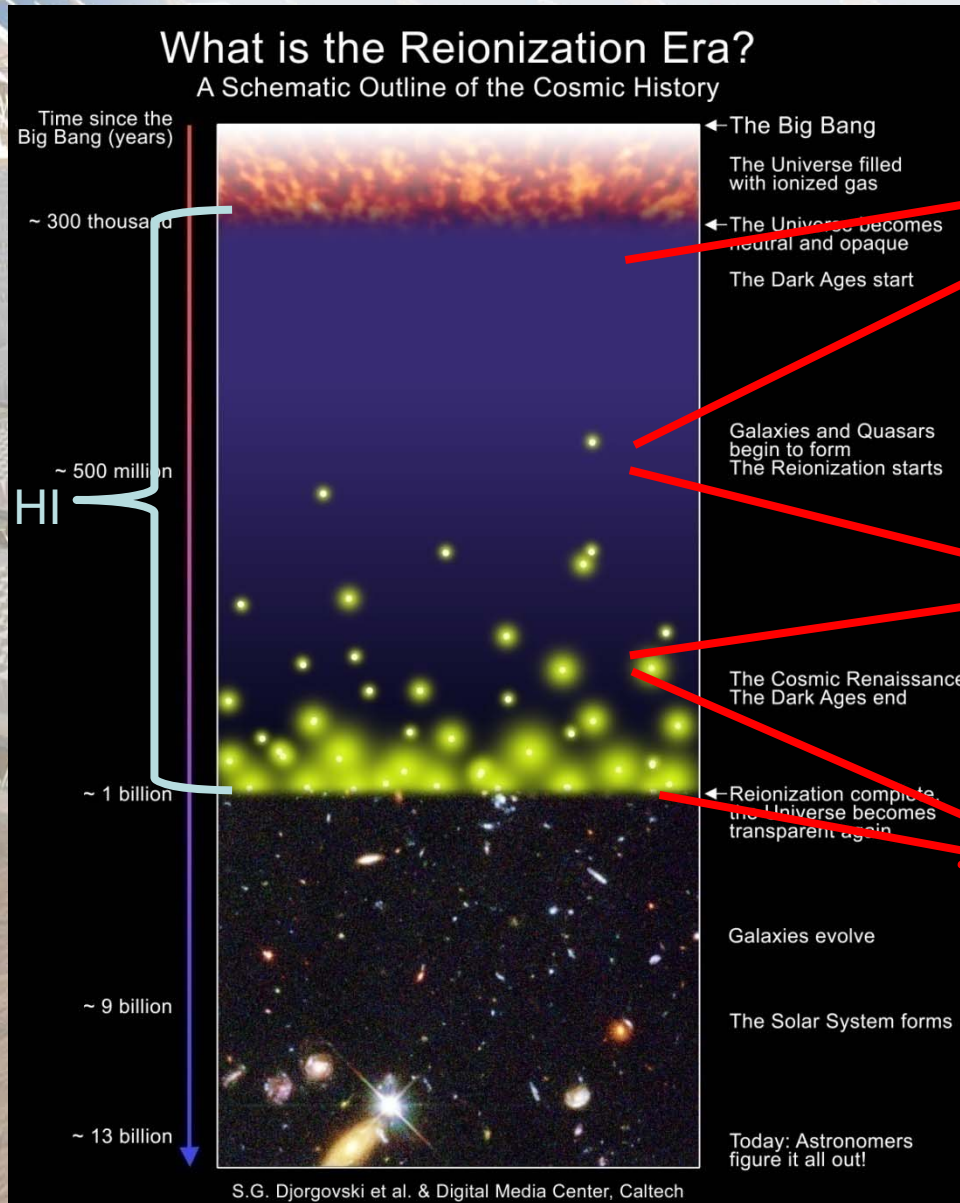
Spin Temperature

$$T_S^{-1} = \frac{T_{CMB}^{-1} + (x_\alpha + x_c)T_K^{-1}}{1 + x_\alpha + x_c}$$

- Already assuming Ly α color temperature = T $_K$
- Coupling mechanisms:
 - Radiative transitions (CMB)
 - Collisions (x_c)
 - Wouthuysen-Field effect (x_α) – $x_\alpha \propto J_\alpha$ (Ly α flux)
- Brightness temperature non-zero when T $_K \neq T_{CMB}$ and $x_\alpha + x_c > 0$ (coupling saturates when $\gg 1$)

$$T_b \propto \frac{T_S - T_{CMB}}{T_S}$$

Cosmological evolution

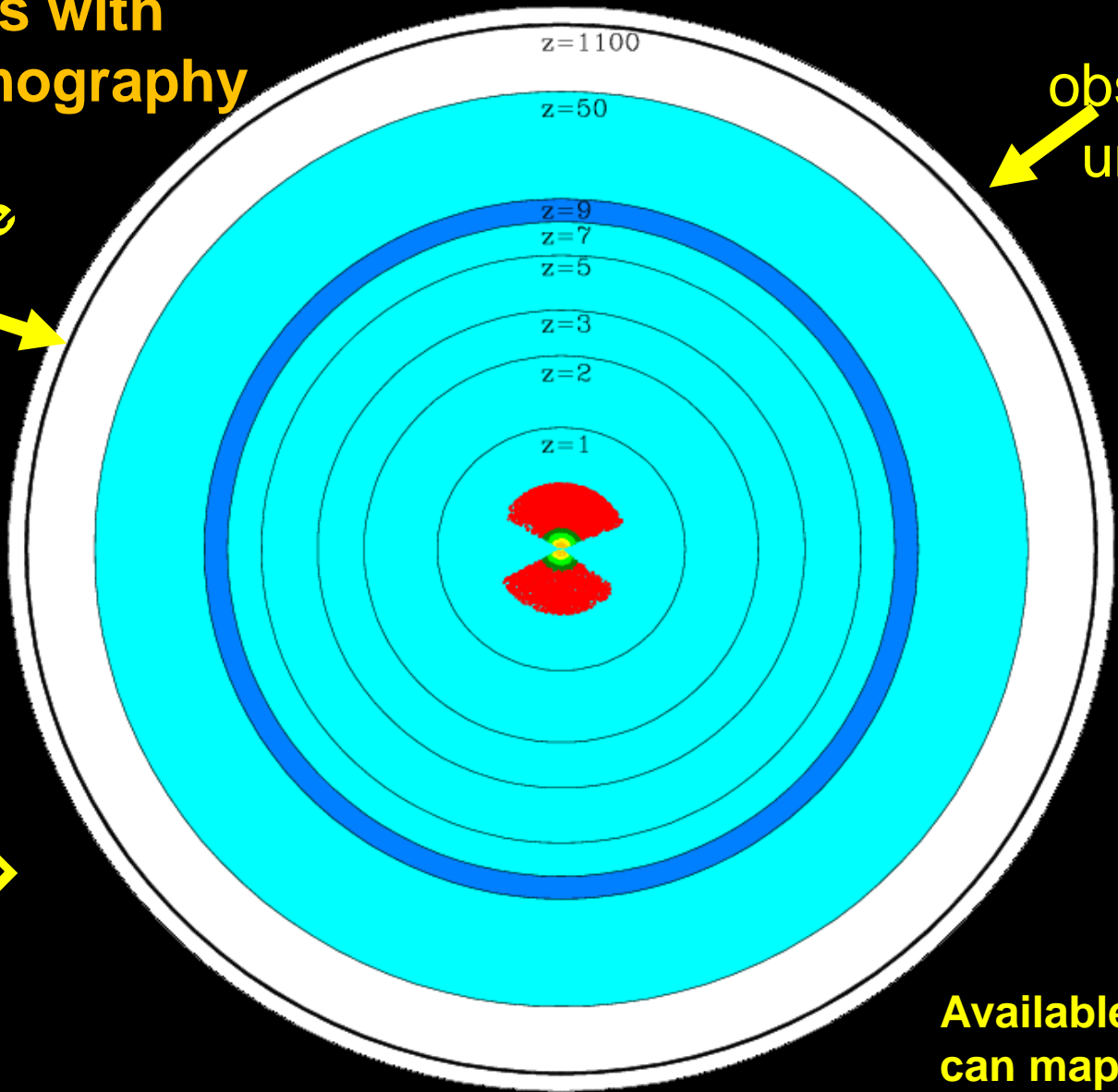


- The dark ages ($30 \lesssim z \lesssim 150$ – $46 \text{ MHz} < \nu < 9 \text{ MHz}$):
 - simple physics
 - Great for Cosmology! (matter power spectrum)
- Twilight ($12 \lesssim z \lesssim 30$ – $46 \text{ MHz} < \nu < 118 \text{ MHz}$):
 - first galaxies
 - “astrophysics begins”
- Reionization ($6 \lesssim z \lesssim 12$ – $118 \text{ MHz} < \nu < 203 \text{ MHz}$):
 - IGM becomes transparent to UV light

Physics with
21cm tomography

Our
observable
universe

Last scattering surface



Red - SDSS

Available space in blue –
can map most of our
Observable Universe!

How to measure the signal?

- Signal at 1420MHz redshifts to 60MHz-200MHz
- With resolution $\sim 2'$, telescope size must be ~ 2 Km \rightarrow Need radio interferometers

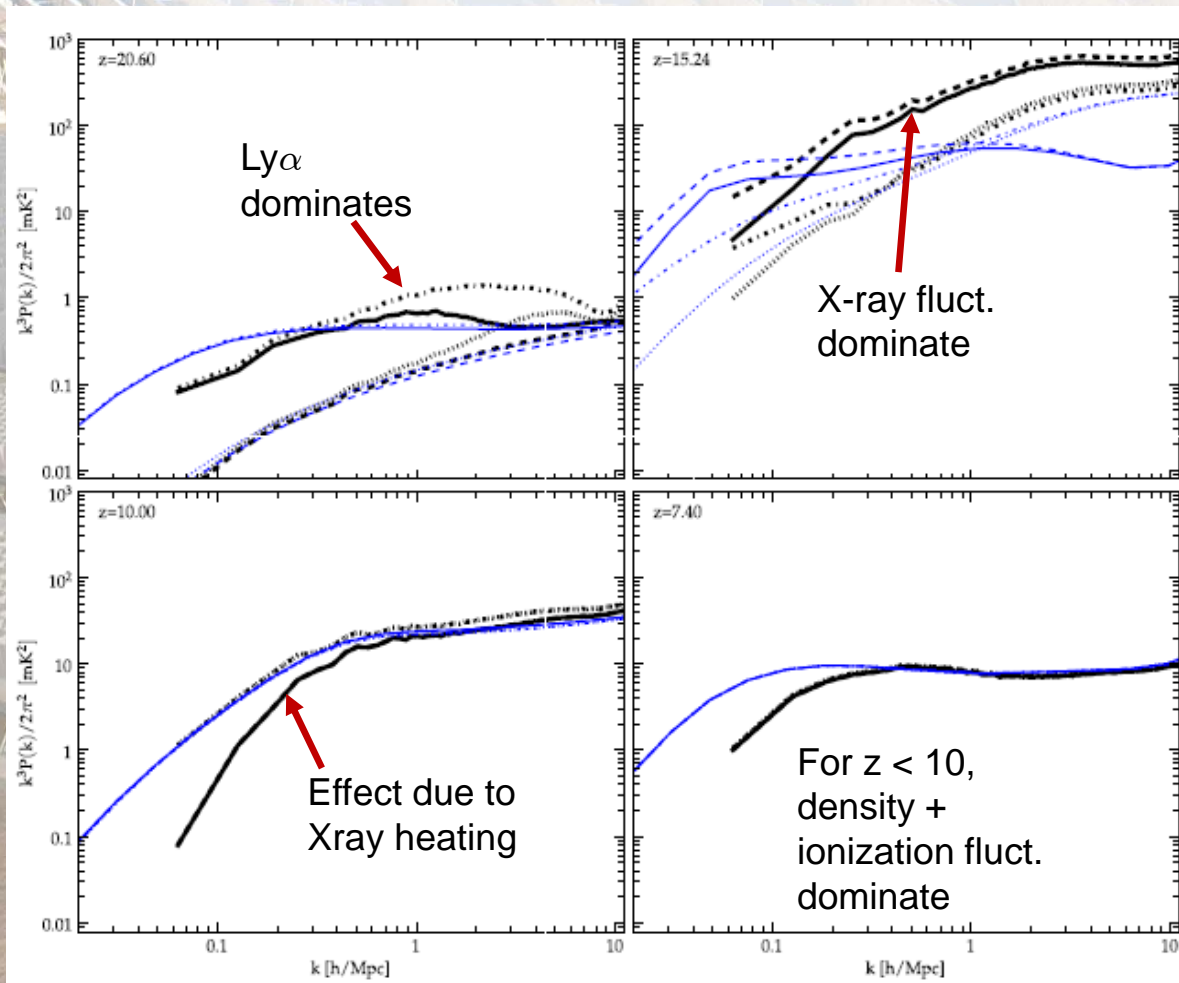
LOFAR: Netherlands
Freq: 120-240 MHz
Baselines: 50m-
100km

MWA: Australia
Freq: 80-300 MHz
Baselines:
10m - 1.5km

SKA: S. Africa/Australia
Freq: 70 MHz-35 GHz
Baselines:
20m - 3000km ?



21cm power spectrum – Analytical / Simulation



Black - simulation

Blue - semi-analytical model

Santos et al., 2008, ApJ, 689, 1

Analytical:

- OK for $z < 10$ (e.g. first generation experiments)
- At $z \gtrsim 10$ (SKA...) X-ray and $\text{Ly}\alpha$ fluctuations are important – need further improvements
- Also 21cm signal is non-Gaussian – $P(k)$ enough?

Full Simulation:

- Description from first principles
- But slow to run – hard to check parameter space
- Limited to small volumes $\sim (143 \text{ Mpc})^3$

EoR 21cm measurements Constraints

$$\delta T_b = \beta \delta + \beta_x \delta x_{HI} + \beta_T \delta T_k + \beta_\alpha \delta \alpha - \delta_{\partial v}$$

TABLE VIII: Forecasted 1- σ uncertainties when $T_S \gg T_\gamma$ and b_{x_H} is large

	x_{H1}	x_{H2}	$b_{x_{H1}}$	$b_{x_{H2}}$	$R_{x_{H1}}$ (Mpc)	$R_{x_{H2}}$ (Mpc)	$\Omega_m h^2$	$\Omega_b h^2$	Ω_Λ	n_s	$\delta_H \times 10^5$
Values	0.2	0.4	-14.0	-5.7	50	6	0.127	0.0223	0.76	0.951	6.229
SKAb	0.04	0.08	0.42	0.04	3.9	0.4	0.020	0.007	0.0025	0.018	-
SKA	0.11	0.23	0.58	0.11	11.5	1.3	0.058	0.022	0.0048	0.040	-
MWA5000	0.19	0.40	1.07	0.65	29.3	3.5	0.145	0.047	0.017	0.174	-
LOFAR	8.2	16.7	35.2	9.0	936	111	4.5	1.70	0.30	3.01	-
MWA	4.1	8.6	36.8	28.0	889	110	4.4	1.23	0.70	7.39	-
Planck	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0023	0.00017	0.011	0.0047	0.03
SKAb + Planck	0.004	0.009	0.37	0.04	0.53	0.04	0.0019	0.00017	0.002	0.0041	0.03
SKA + Planck	0.006	0.015	0.50	0.08	0.71	0.05	0.0021	0.00017	0.004	0.0045	0.03
MWA5000 + Planck	0.011	0.044	0.71	0.36	1.12	0.11	0.0022	0.00017	0.009	0.0046	0.03
LOFAR + Planck	0.12	0.32	30.1	3.7	44.0	1.31	0.0023	0.00017	0.011	0.0047	0.03
MWA + Planck	0.32	1.17	22.4	13.2	23.3	3.1	0.0023	0.00017	0.011	0.0047	0.03

Santos and Cooray, PRD 2006

- X_H – neutral fraction, R_{x_H} – bubble size
- Frequency range: 135MHz – 167 MHz ($7.5 < z < 9.5$)
- Marginalized over foregrounds
- Learn a lot about statistical properties of reionization astrophysics, not possible by other means...
- Not so good for Cosmology

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OPT MID/PES

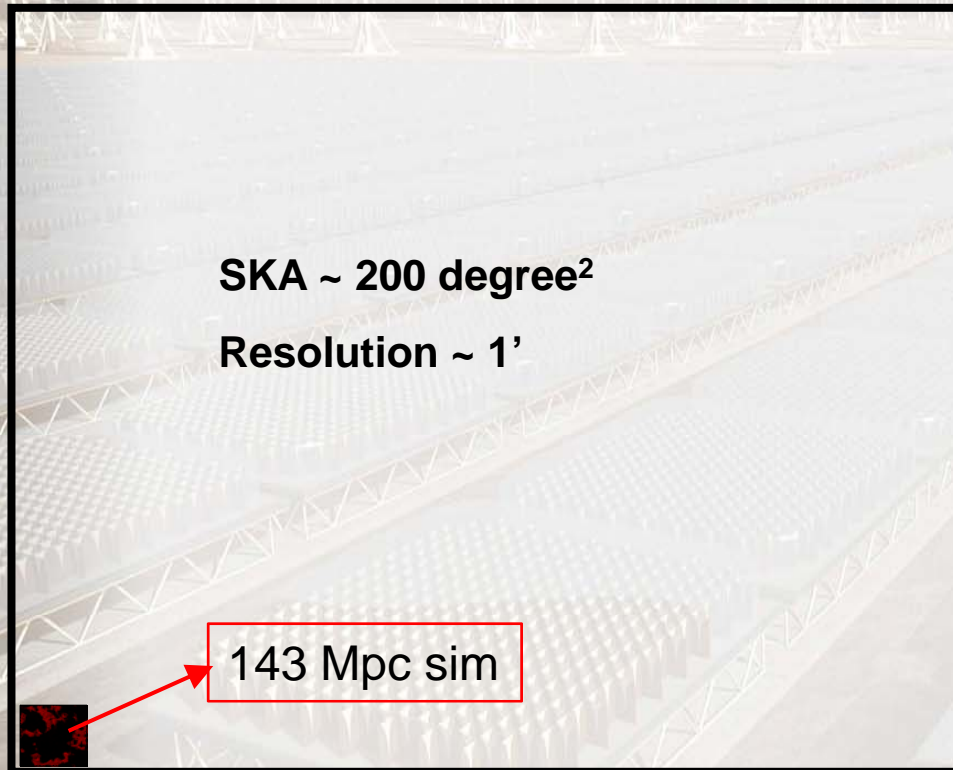
TABLE V: How cosmological constraints depend on the ionization power spectrum modeling and reionization history. We assume observations of 4000 hours on two places in the sky in the range of $z = 6.8 - 8.2$ that is divided into three z -bins centered at $z = 7.0, 7.5$ and 8.0 respectively, $k_{\max} = 2\text{Mpc}^{-1}$, $k_{\min} = 2\pi/yB$ and a quasi-giant core configuration. 1σ errors of ionization parameters in the MID model, marginalized over other vanilla parameters, are listed separately in Table VI.

		Vanilla Alone											
Model	$\Delta\Omega_\Lambda$	$\Delta\ln(\Omega_m h^2)$	$\Delta\ln(\Omega_b h^2)$	Δn_s	$\Delta\ln A_s$	$\Delta\tau$	$\Delta\bar{x}_H(7.0)^a$	$\Delta\bar{x}_H(7.5)$	$\Delta\bar{x}_H(8.0)$	$\Delta\Omega_k$	Δm_ν [eV]	$\Delta\alpha$	
LOFAR	OPT	0.025	0.27	0.44	0.063	0.89	...	...	...	0.14	0.87	0.027
	MID	0.13	0.083	0.15	0.36	0.80	...	...	...	0.35	12	0.17
MWA	OPT	0.046	0.11	0.19	0.022	0.37	...	...	...	0.056	0.38	0.013
	MID	0.22	0.017	0.029	0.097	0.76	...	...	...	0.13	9.6	0.074
SKA	OPT	0.0038	0.044	0.083	0.0079	0.16	...	...	...	0.023	0.12	0.0040
	MID	0.014	0.0049	0.0081	0.012	0.037	...	...	...	0.043	0.36	0.0060
FFTT	OPT	0.00015	0.0032	0.0084	0.00040	0.015	...	...	...	0.00098	0.011	0.00034
	MID	0.00041	0.00038	0.00062	0.00036	0.0013	...	...	...	0.0037	0.0078	0.00017
	PESS	1.1	0.016	0.037	0.010	0.19	...	...	...	...	0.19	0.0058
Planck		0.0070	0.0081	0.0059	0.0033	0.0088	0.0043	...	...	0.025	0.23	0.0026
	OPT	0.0066	0.0077	0.0058	0.0031	0.0088	0.0043	0.0077	0.0084	0.0093	0.0051	0.0022	
+LOFAR	MID	0.0070	0.0081	0.0059	0.0032	0.0088	0.0043	0.18	0.26	0.23	0.018	0.22	0.0026
	PESS	0.0070	0.0081	0.0059	0.0033	0.0088	0.0043	0.54	0.31	0.24	0.025	0.23	0.0026
	OPT	0.0067	0.0079	0.0057	0.0031	0.0088	0.0043	0.0065	0.0067	0.0069	0.0079	0.027	0.0014
+MWA	MID	0.0061	0.0070	0.0056	0.0030	0.0087	0.0043	0.32	0.22	0.29	0.021	0.19	0.0026
	PESS	0.0070	0.0081	0.0059	0.0033	0.0088	0.0043	3.8	0.87	0.53	0.025	0.23	0.0026
	OPT	0.0031	0.0038	0.0046	0.0013	0.0087	0.0042	0.0060	0.0060	0.0060	0.0017	0.017	0.00064
+SKA	MID	0.0036	0.0040	0.0044	0.0025	0.0087	0.0043	0.0094	0.014	0.011	0.0039	0.056	0.0022
	PESS	0.0070	0.0081	0.0059	0.0033	0.0088	0.0043	0.061	0.024	0.012	0.025	0.21	0.0026
	OPT	0.00015	0.0015	0.0036	0.0021	0.0087	0.0042	0.0056	0.0056	0.0056	0.00032	0.0031	0.000093
+FFTT	MID	0.00038	0.00034	0.00059	0.00033	0.0086	0.0042	0.0013	0.0022	0.0031	0.00023	0.0066	0.00017
	PESS	0.0055	0.0064	0.0051	0.0030	0.0087	0.0043	0.0024	0.0029	0.0040	0.025	0.020	0.0010

Mao et al, PRD 2008

- Still not competitive with a weak lensing survey like LSST, JDEM...

Note: Field of View...



- 21cm experiments will have low resolution but large FoV
- Need larger simulations for proper testing of the observation pipeline - foreground removal...
- High dynamic range:

- Need ~ 1000 (comoving) Mpc to achieve 5x5 deg² FoV (high z)
- But also need to resolve 10⁸ solar mass halos – 0.14 Mpc...
- (7000)³ cells!

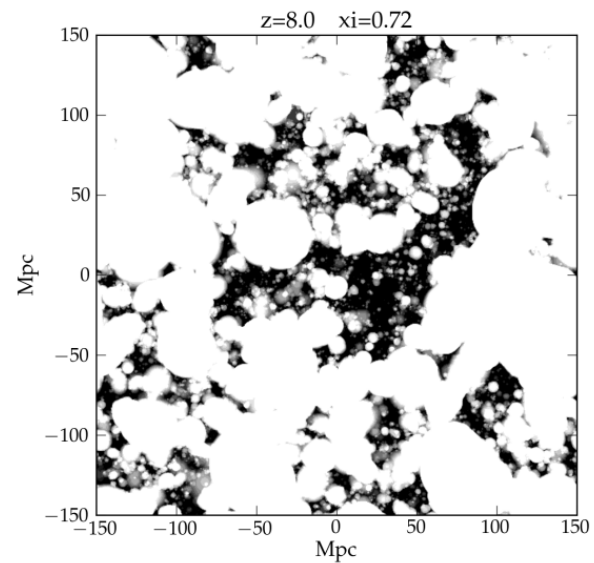
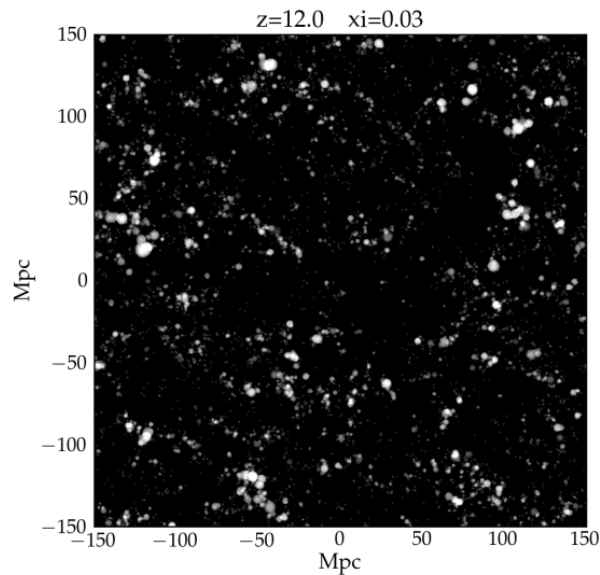
New Simulation

- Semi-numerical: based on 3-d realizations of the density field
- Extended to very large Volumes (1000 Mpc)
- Extended to very high redshifts ($z \sim 25$)
- Large dynamical range
- Much faster than numerical simulations (but calibrated to them)
- Easy to run on your “small” computer!
- Defined by small set of parameters – easy to change

(See also Mesinger and Furlanetto 07,
Zahn et al. 07, Thomas et al. 09)

From density to ionization field

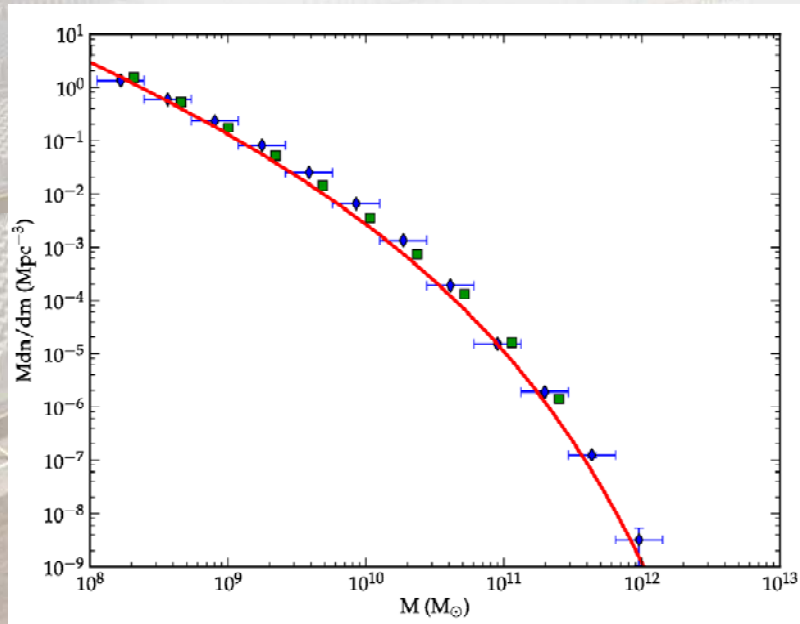
- 3-d Monte Carlo realization of dark matter
- Halo catalog ($M \geq 10^8 M_{\odot}$)
- Velocity field - Non-linear corrections (Zel'dovich)
- Ionization bubbles around halos (efficiency parameter)
- Halos/bubbles defined through excursion-set formalism
- Include LOS velocity gradient



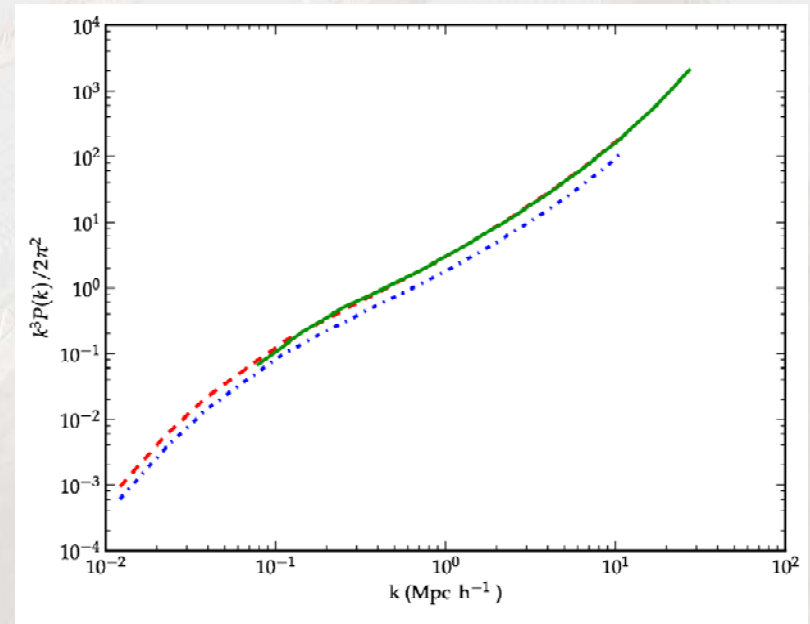
Ionization field

Extending to Very Large Volumes

- 1000 Mpc, $(1800)^3$ cells – $M_{\min}=10^{10} M_{\odot}$
- Add $10^8 - 10^{10}$ solar mass halos from Poisson using mass function with bias to density field (Wilman et al. 08)

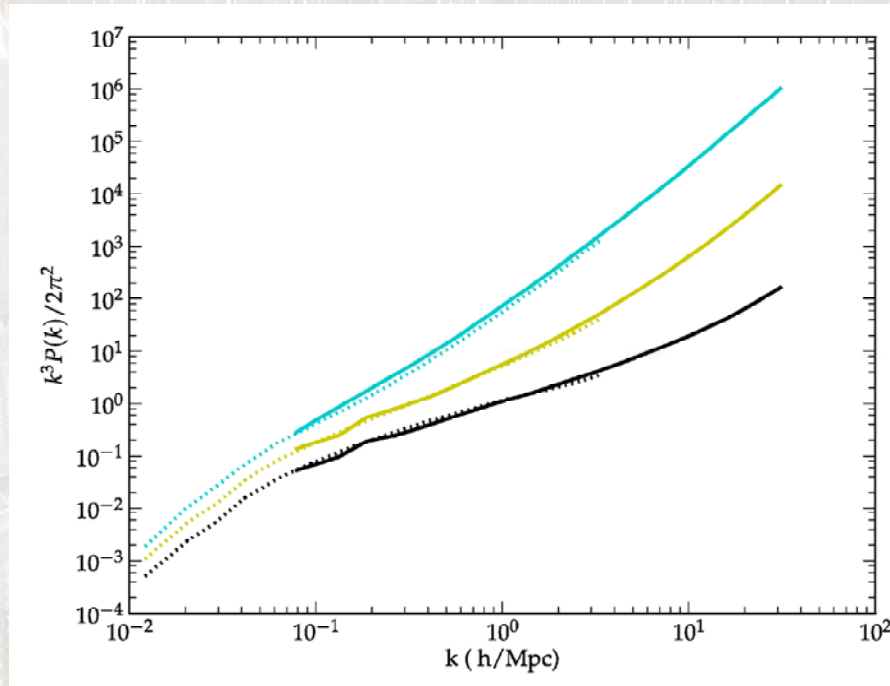


Halo mass function ($z=10$):
Red – theory (Sheth & Tormen 99 + Jenkins et al. 01)
Blue – 1000 Mpc simulation
Green – N-body simulation (Trac 08)



Halo mass power spectrum:
Blue – 1000 Mpc
Red – 1000 Mpc (non-linear corrections)
Green – N-body (Trac 08)

Extending to Very Large Volumes...



Dotted: our sim.

Solid: N-body dark matter sim.

Black: $M < 10^9 M_\odot$

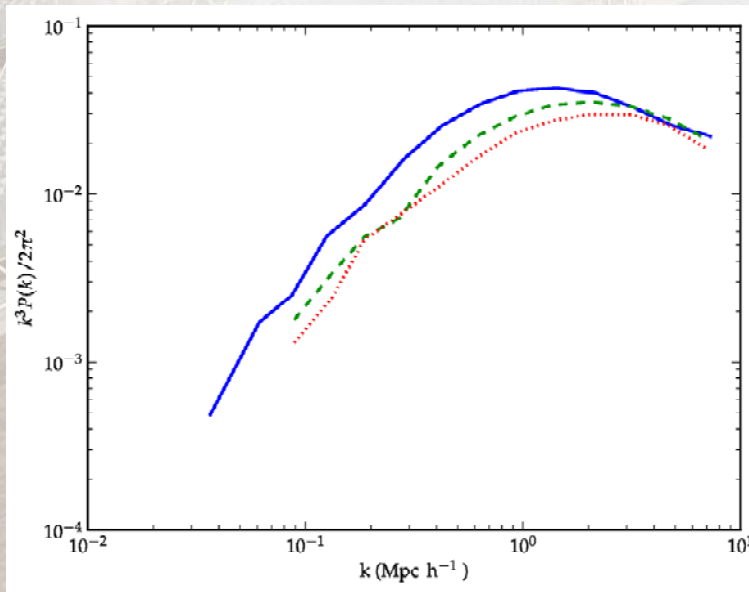
Yellow: $10^9 M_\odot < M < 10^{10} M_\odot$

Blue: $M > 10^{10} M_\odot$

Power Spectrum: Ionization fraction

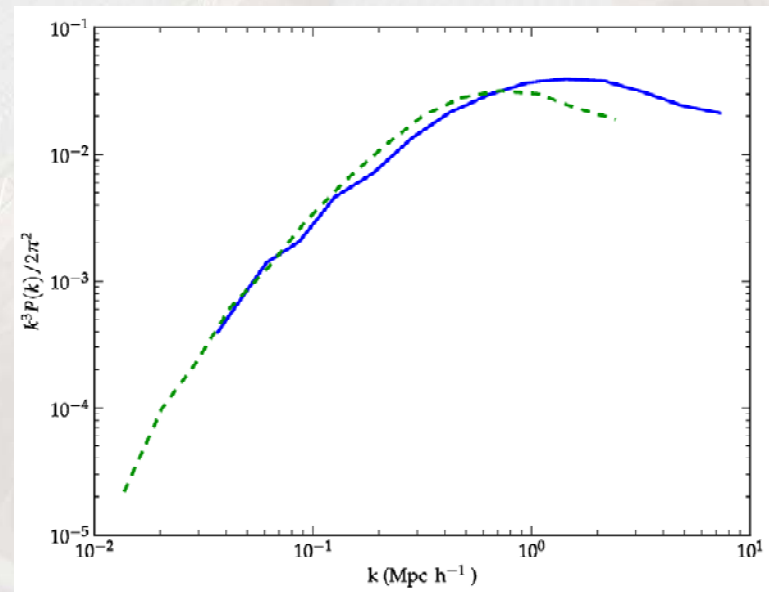
- For same volumes or low x_i $P(k)$ agrees
- For high x_i need large volumes to get right power spectrum on large scales...

$x_i=0.55$



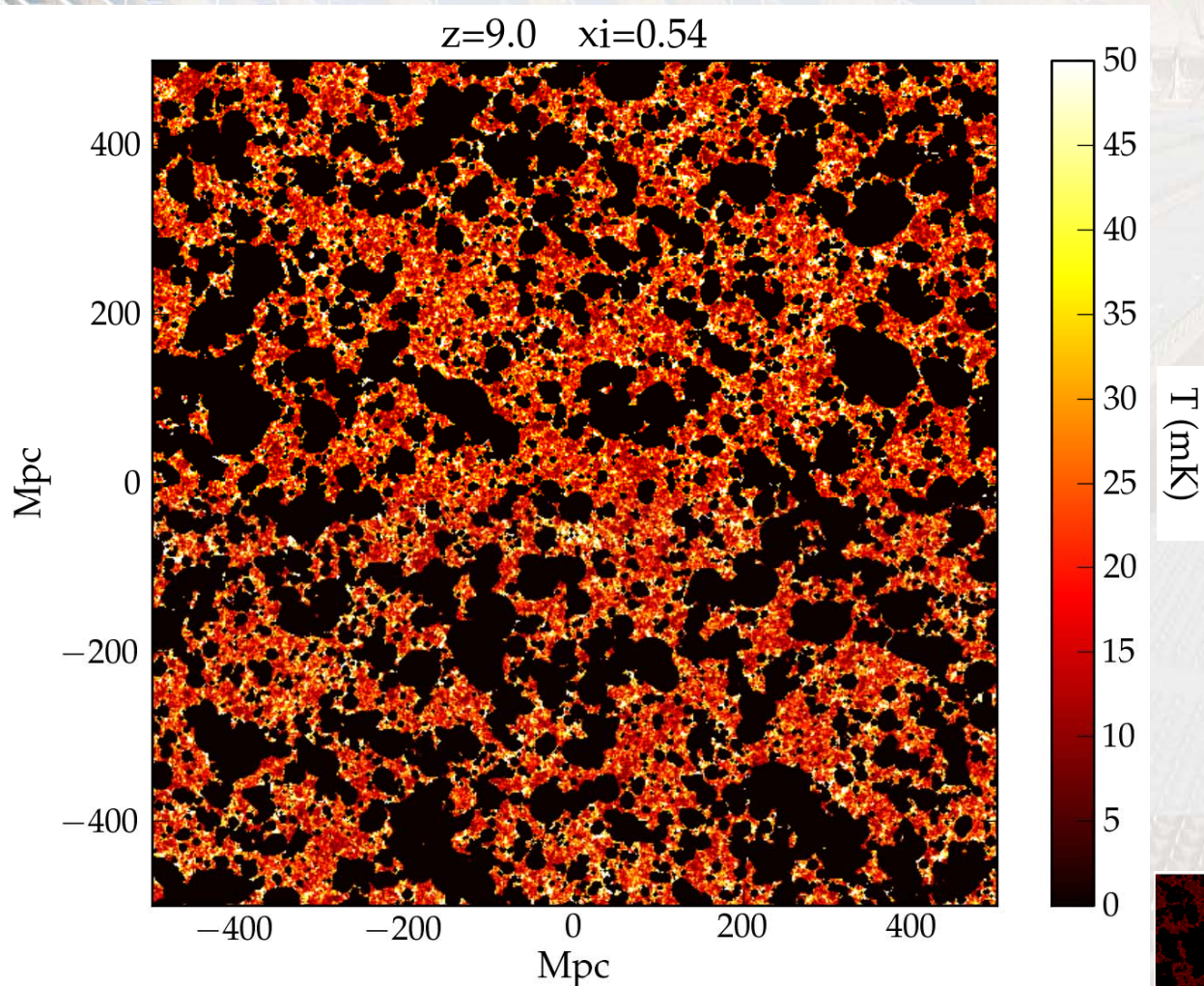
Blue: $L=300$ ($x_i=0.55$)
Red: $L=143$
Green: $L=143$ with radiative transfer

$x_i=0.1$



Blue : $L=1000$ Mpc
Green: $L=300$ Mpc

Large FoV...



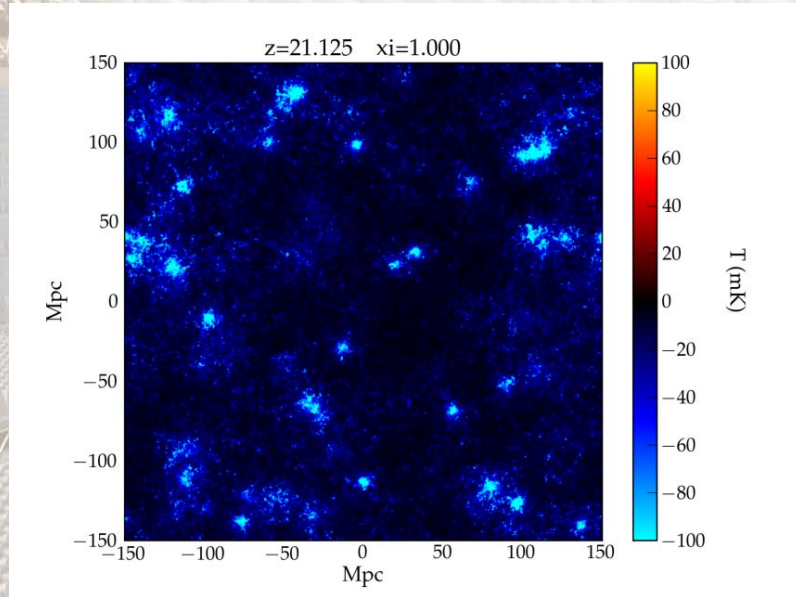
New simulation with $L=1000$ Mpc

- At $z \sim 8$ we get 6×6 deg²
- Good to test observation pipeline (foreground removal)

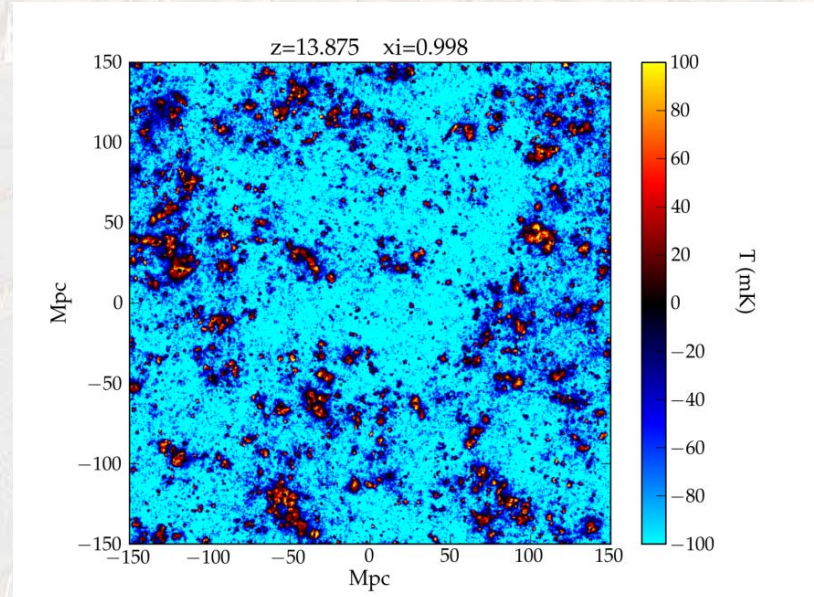
Simulation with RT code ($L=143$ Mpc)

Extending to very high redshifts

Ly_α



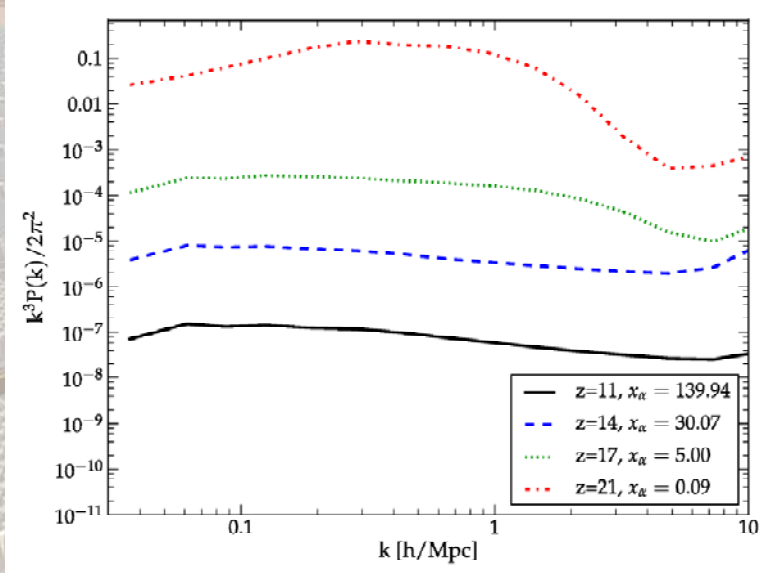
X-ray heating



- Need to calculate HI Spin temperature:
 - Use halo catalog to calculate SFR
 - Use power law model for Ly_α / x-ray emission (4 parameters - easy to change)
 - Calculate IGM temperature from heating due to x-rays
 - Calculate coupling due to Ly_α
 - Calculate flux through convolution with SFR + FFT
 - Also includes collisional coupling

Extending to very high redshifts: Fluctuations...

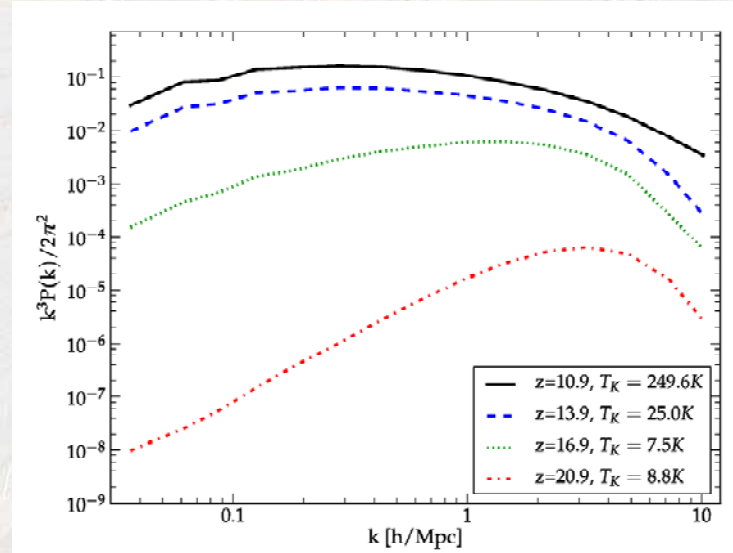
Ly_α



- Ly_α traces star formation
- Important for $z \gtrsim 15$
- Dominates over collisions up to $z=22$

$$T_b \propto \frac{x_\alpha}{1 + x_\alpha}$$

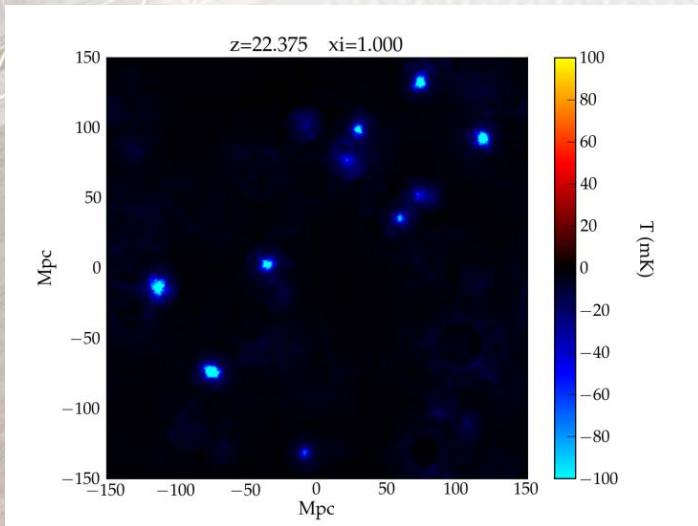
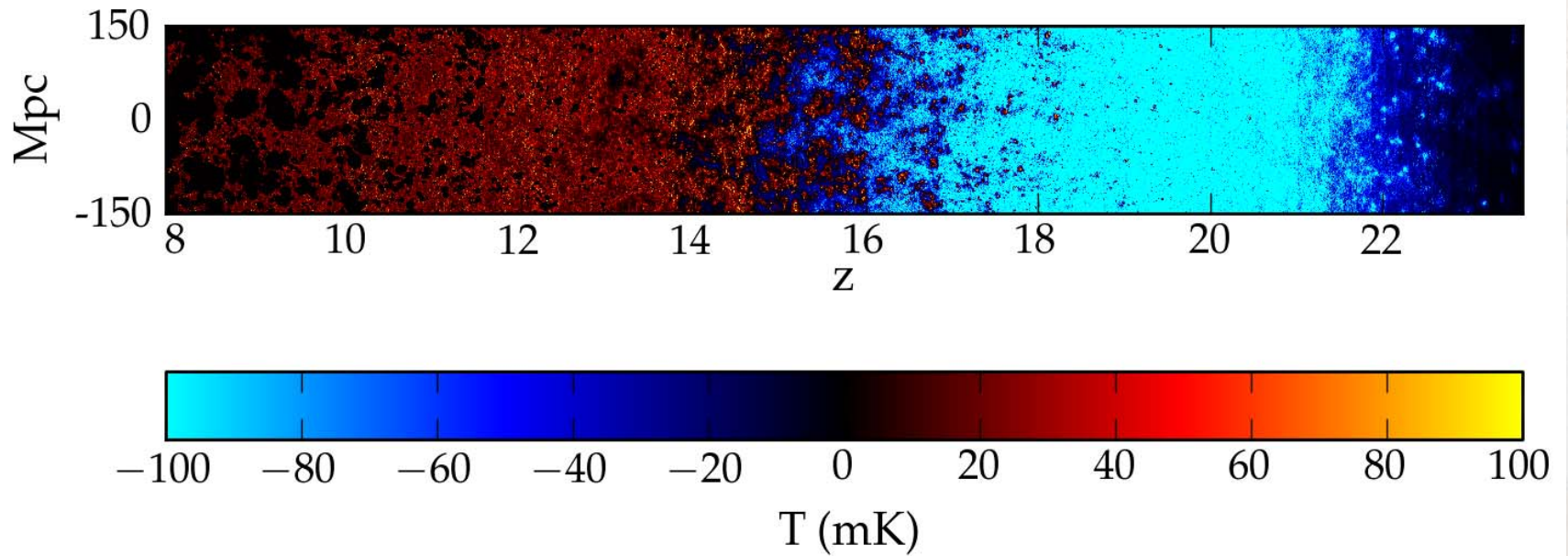
X-ray heating



- Assumed starbursts for x-ray heating (but highly uncertain)
- Heating is inhomogeneous – mostly done by ~ 100 eV Xrays
- Important for $z > 10!$

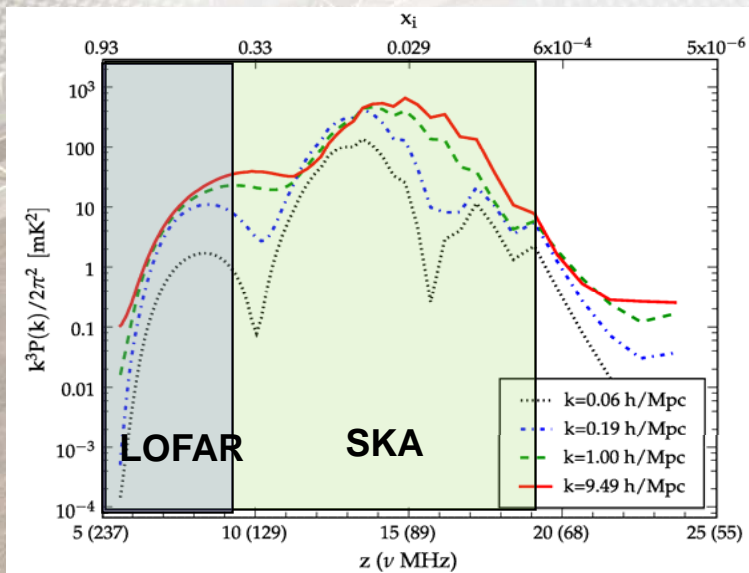
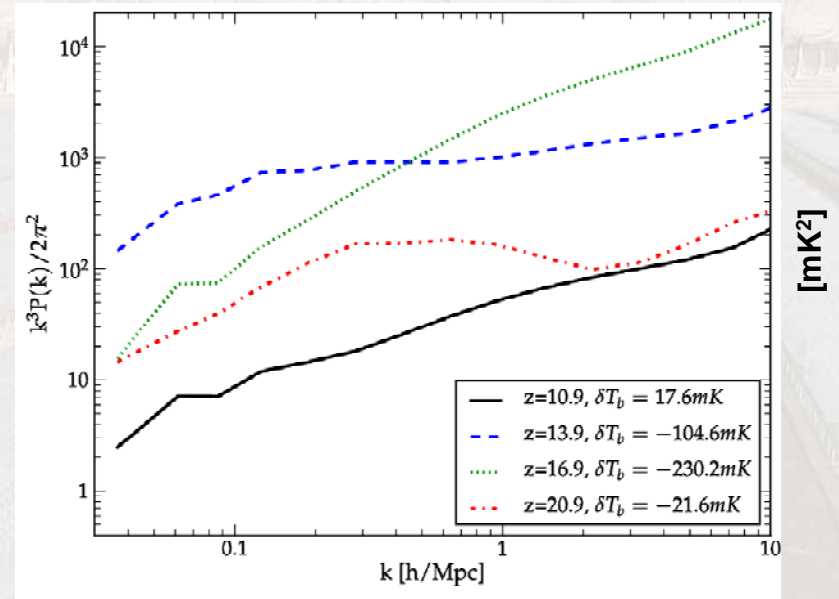
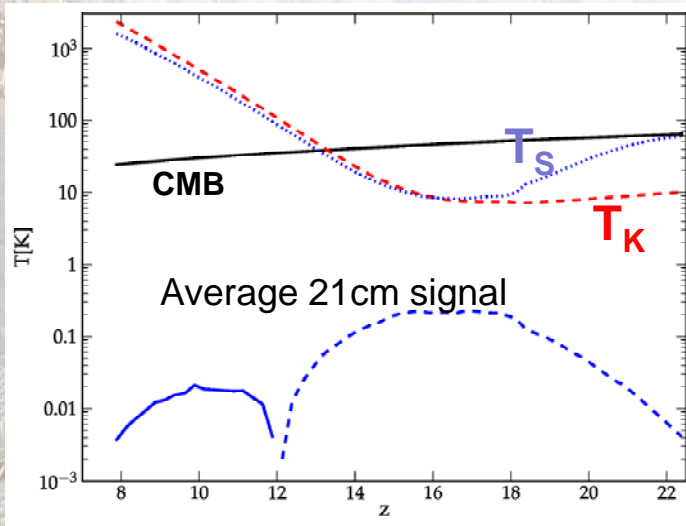
$$T_b \propto (1 - T_{\text{CMB}}/T_K)$$

End-to-end Simulation



- $z > 19$ – cold gas, Ly α fluctuations
- $z \sim 18$ - heating starts
- $z \sim 12$ - Reionization starts

21cm signal: redshift evolution



- 21cm Power Spectrum at high redshifts
- Lots of info at high z – need next generation experiment (SKA)...

What can we learn?

e.g.: Determining the first sources

δ_α dominates

Sources

$J_{\alpha,*}$ vs $J_{\alpha,X}$

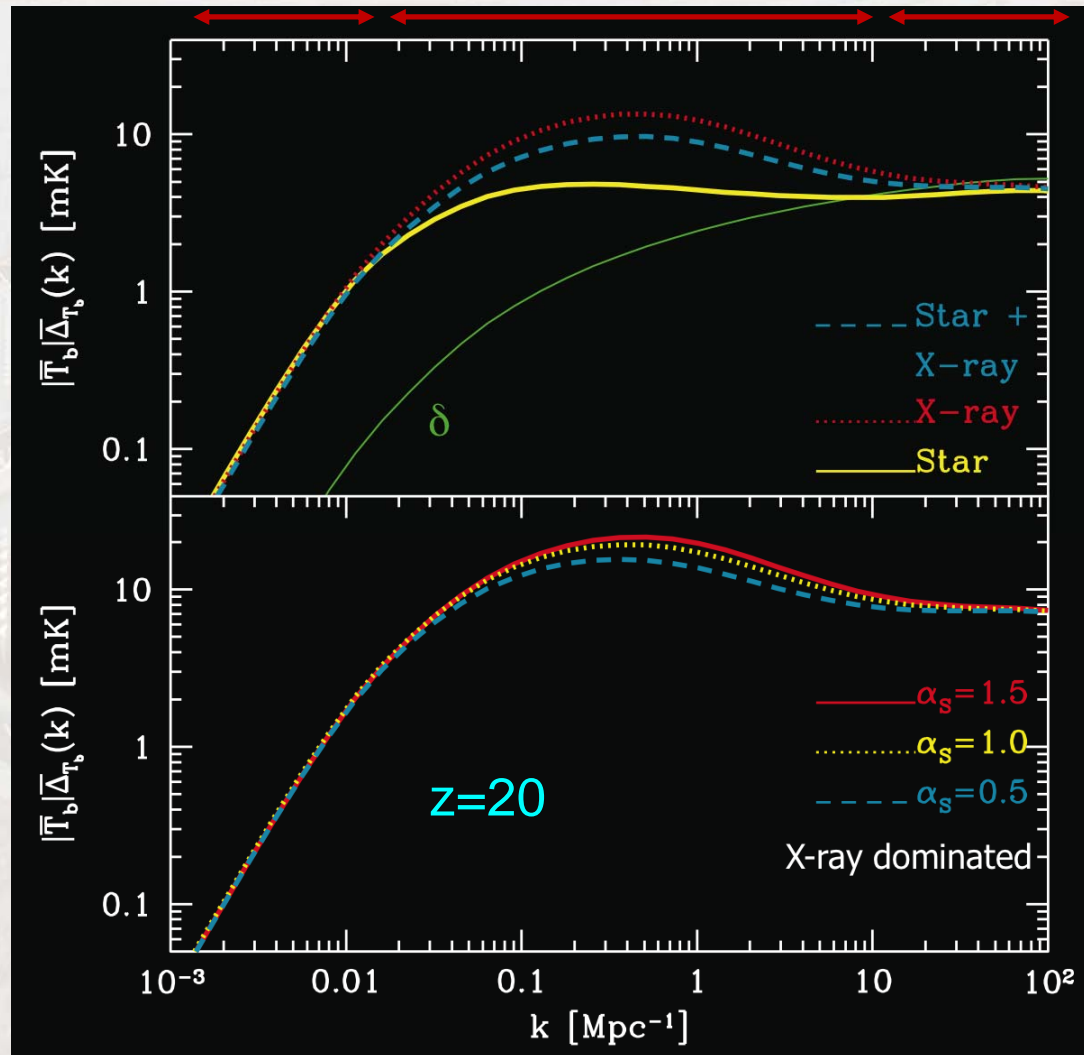
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α_S

bias

source properties

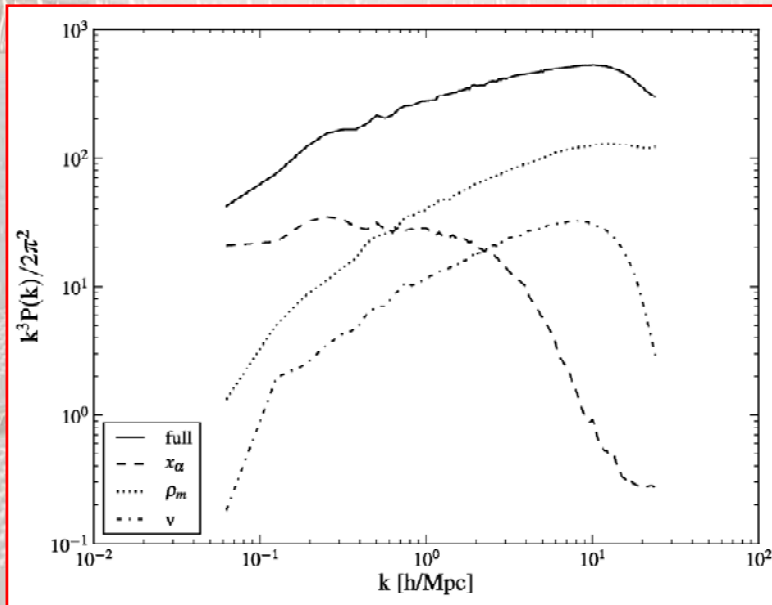
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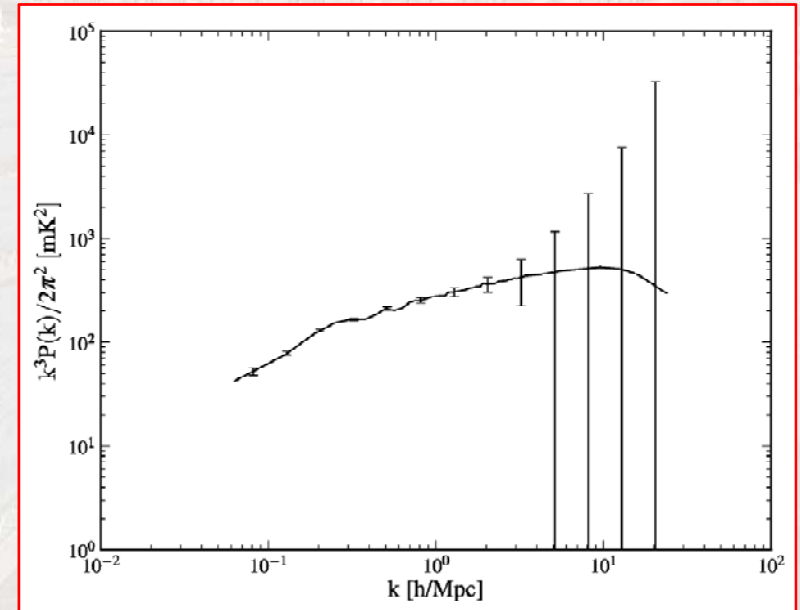
Chuzhoy,
Alvarez,
& Shapiro
2006

Pritchard &
Furlanetto
2007

Constraining galaxies at $z \sim 20$ through $\text{Ly}\alpha$ emission



Contributions to the signal



Constraints

- “SKA type” experiment can constrain signal at $z \sim 20$:
 - 4000 m²/K @ 100 MHz | 8 MHz bandwidth
 - 10x10 deg² FoV | 5 Km core
- Use dependence on angle with LoS to separate the signal (uncorrelated part depends only on $\text{Ly}\alpha$...)

Summary

- Presented a new method to generate very large volume, high redshift simulations of the 21cm signal
- Useful to generate sky models for future 21cm experiments (crucial to test calibration issues and foreground removal)
- Code will be publicly available (SimFast21)
 - Easy to run/play – no need for supercomputers
 - “Fast” + small number of parameters – good to probe the huge intrinsic parameter space
- Room for continuous improvement!
 - Check www.SimFast21.org (mgrsantos@ist.utl.pt)
 - See <http://s-cubed.physics.ox.ac.uk> (SKADS Simulated Skies) for simulations (fits files) + point sources, etc

M. Santos, L. Ferramacho, M. Silva, A. Amblard, A. Cooray, MNRAS, 2010, <http://arxiv.org/abs/0911.2219>



HÁ PORTUGUESES ENVOLVIDOS NO PROJECTO DO NOVO RADIO-TELESCÓPIO "SKA"



A IDEIA É SABER O QUE SE PASSA NO UNIVERSO CRUZES



O GOVERNO ESTÁ A LEVAR A COISA LONGE DEMAIS.

