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$$\delta'_\gamma + \frac{4}{3}\theta_\gamma - 4\phi' = 0$$

Degrees of

$$\theta'_\gamma + k^2 \left( -\frac{1}{4}\delta_\gamma + \sigma_\gamma \right) - k^2\psi = \tau'(\theta_\gamma - \theta_b)$$

Gravitational pote

$$\Theta'_l - \frac{kl}{2l+1}\Theta_{l-1} + \frac{k(l+1)}{2l+1}\Theta_{l+1} = \tau'\Theta_l \quad \forall l \geq 2$$

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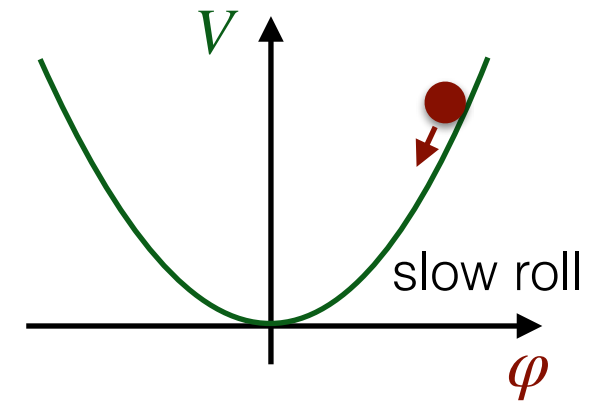
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# Stochastic theory of cosmological perturbations

# Initial conditions



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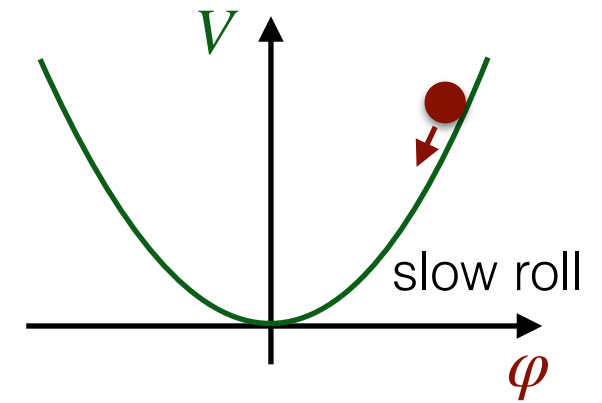
C. for each Fourier mode, all d.o.f. related to each other (fully **correlated**) on super-Hubble scales: “**adiabatic initial conditions**”

e.g. during RD:  $-2\psi = -2\phi = \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{Einstein eq.}}}{\delta_\gamma} = \delta_\nu = \frac{4}{3}\delta_b = \frac{4}{3}\delta_c \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{Einstein eq.}}}{=} \text{constant}$

(Comes from  $A(\eta, \vec{x}) = \bar{A}(\eta + \delta\eta(\vec{x})) = \bar{A}(\eta) + \bar{A}'(\eta) \delta\eta(\vec{x})$  )

perturbation  $\delta A(\eta, \vec{x})$   
in adiabatic case

# Primordial power spectrum



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⇒ need **power spectrum** for single degree

of freedom, e.g. **curvature perturbation**  $\mathcal{R} \equiv \phi - \frac{a'}{a} \frac{v_{\text{tot.}}}{a^2}$  in Newt. Gauge

⇒ **Primordial spectrum**:  $\langle \mathcal{R}(\eta_i, \vec{k}) \mathcal{R}^*(\eta_i, \vec{k}') \rangle = \delta_D(\vec{k}' - \vec{k}) P_{\mathcal{R}}(k)$

D. **Power law, nearly scale-invariant** spectrum:  $P_{\mathcal{R}}(k) = \frac{2\pi^2}{k^3} A_s \left( \frac{k}{k_*} \right)^{n_s-1}$

# Transfer functions

For each Fourier mode  $\vec{k}$ :

- all perturbations  $\rightarrow$  system of linear coupled differential equations
- adiabatic ICs  $\rightarrow$  single constant of integration  $\mathcal{R}(\eta_{\text{ini}}, \vec{k})$
- $\forall A \in \{\phi, \psi, \delta_X, \theta_X, \Theta_\ell, \dots\}$

$$A(\eta, \vec{k}) = T_A(\eta, k) \mathcal{R}(\eta_i, \vec{k})$$

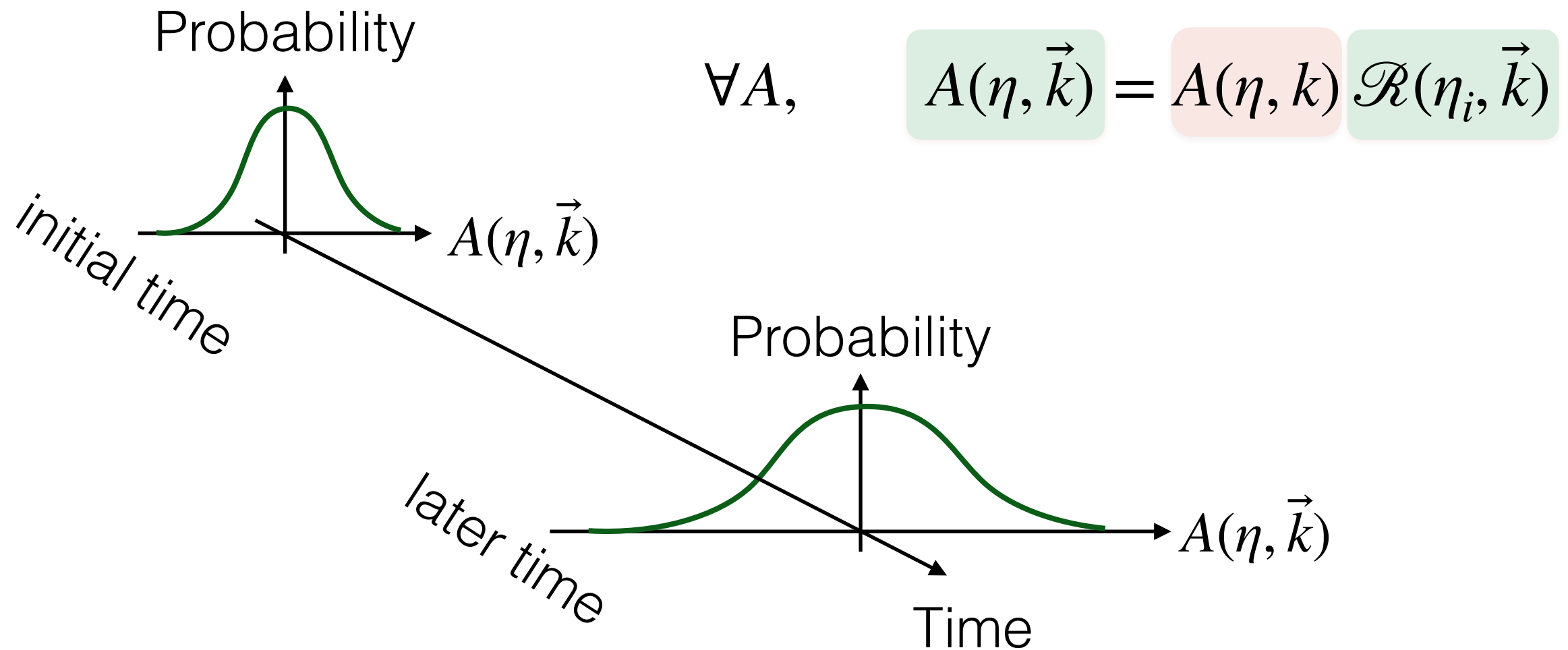
stochastic Fourier mode

stochastic IC

Deterministic solution of e.o.m. normalised to  $\mathcal{R} = 1$   
 = transfer function of  $A$

Isotropic background  $\Rightarrow$  depends only on  $k$   
 $\Rightarrow$  denoted later as  $A(t, k)$

# Linear transport of probability



Linearity of solutions  $\Rightarrow$  probability shape always preserved  
(standard model: Gaussian)  
 $\Rightarrow$  variance evolves like square of transfer function



# Power spectrum

Adiabatic initial conditions

⇒ for any perturbation at any time:

$$\langle A(\eta, \vec{k}) A^*(\eta, \vec{k}') \rangle = A(\eta, k) A^*(\eta, k') \langle \mathcal{R}(\eta_i, \vec{k}) \mathcal{R}^*(\eta_i, \vec{k}') \rangle$$

$$= |A(\eta, k)|^2 P_{\mathcal{R}}(k) \delta_D(\vec{k} - \vec{k}')$$

transfer function of  $A$

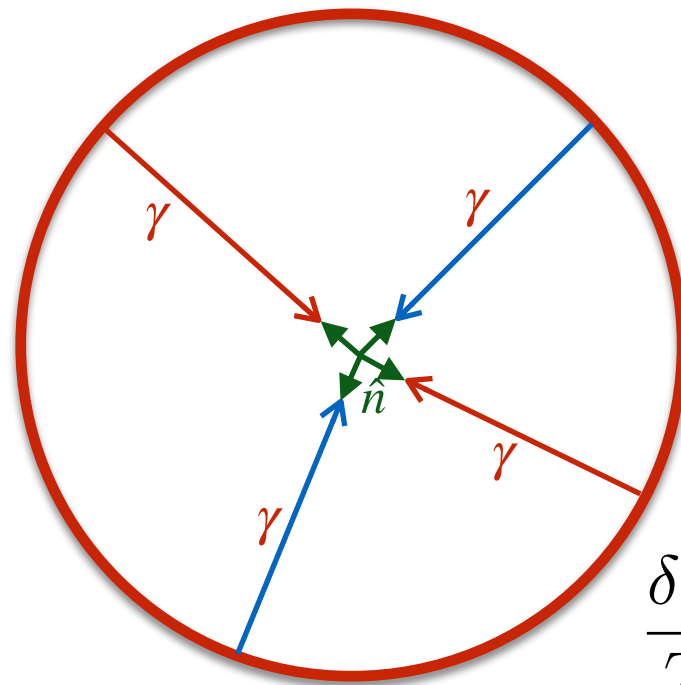
power spectrum  $P_A(\eta, k)$  of  $A$  at  $\eta$

primordial curvature spectrum

# Spectrum of temperature anisotropies

# Temperature multipoles

$g(\eta)$  very peaked at  $\eta_{\text{dec}}$   
 $\Downarrow$   
 last scattering sphere



$$\frac{\delta T}{\bar{T}}(\hat{n}) = \Theta(\eta_0, \vec{o}, -\hat{n}) = \sum_{lm} a_{lm} Y_{lm}(\hat{n})$$

inversion + Fourier + Legendre  $\Rightarrow$   $a_{lm} = (-i)^l \int \frac{d^3 \vec{k}}{2\pi^2} Y_{lm}(\hat{k}) \Theta_l(\eta_0, \vec{k})$

stochastic, Gaussian  $\longleftrightarrow$  stochastic, Gaussian

correlation/variance  $\Rightarrow \langle a_{lm} a_{l'm'}^* \rangle = \delta_{ll'}^K \delta_{mm'}^K \left[ \frac{2}{\pi} \int dk k^2 \Theta_l^2(\eta_0, k) P_{\mathcal{R}}(k) \right]$

photon transfer function primordial spectrum

# Temperature power spectrum

Defined as:

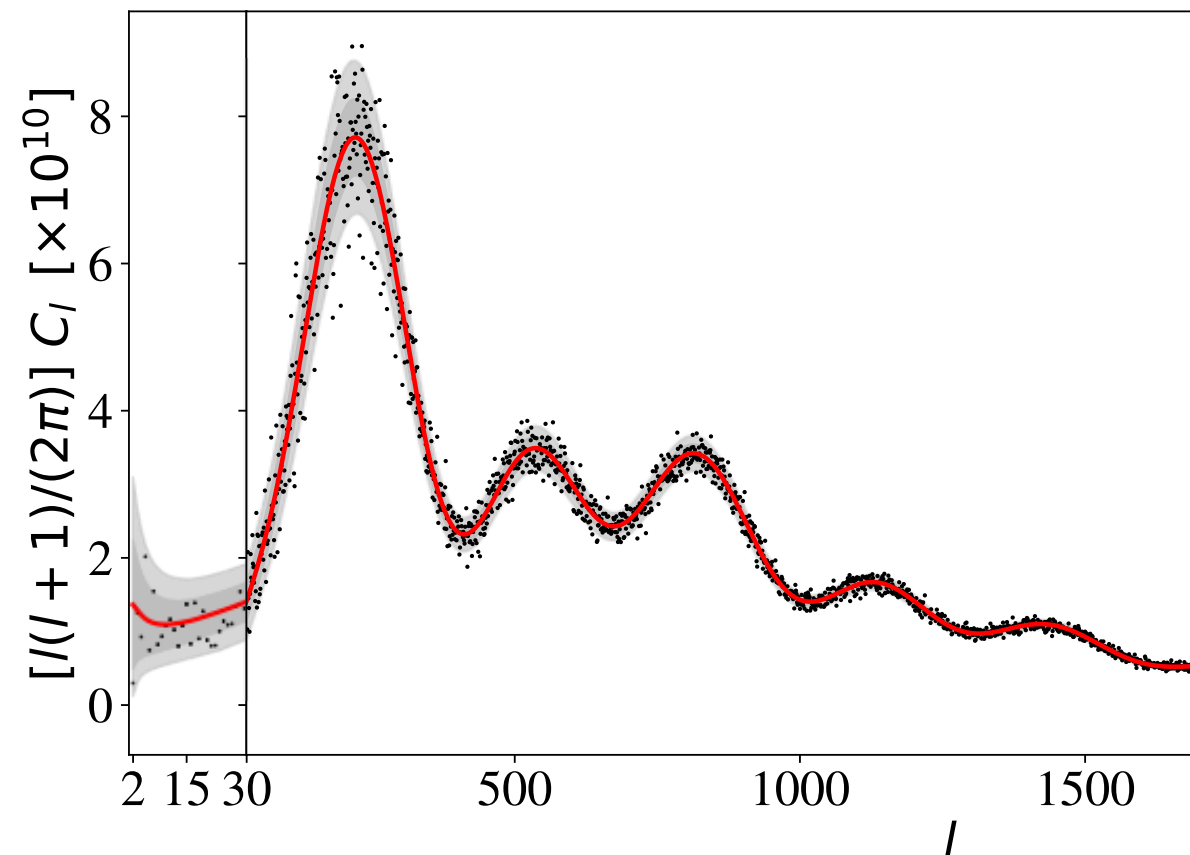
$$C_l = \langle a_{lm} a_{lm}^* \rangle = \frac{2}{\pi} \int dk k^2 \Theta_l^2(\eta_0, k) P_{\mathcal{R}}(k)$$

photon transfer function
primordial spectrum

theory  $\longleftrightarrow$  observations

Estimator:  $\hat{C}_l(a_{lm}) \equiv \frac{1}{2l+1} \sum_{-l \leq m \leq l} |a_{lm}|^2$

Cosmic variance:  $\langle (\hat{C}_l - C_l)^2 \rangle = \frac{2}{2l+1} C_l^2$



# Physics of temperature anisotropies

# “Line-of-sight” integral in Fourier space

Boltzmann hierarchy  $\Rightarrow$  formal solution Zaldarriaga & Harari [astro-ph/9504085](https://arxiv.org/abs/astro-ph/9504085):

$$\Theta_l(\eta_0, \vec{k}) = \int_{\eta_{\text{ini}}}^{\eta_0} d\eta \left\{ g(\Theta_0 + \psi) j_l(k(\eta_0 - \eta)) \right. \\ \left. + g k^{-1} \theta_b j'_l(k(\eta_0 - \eta)) \right. \\ \left. + e^{-\tau} (\phi' + \psi') j_l(k(\eta_0 - \eta)) \right\}$$

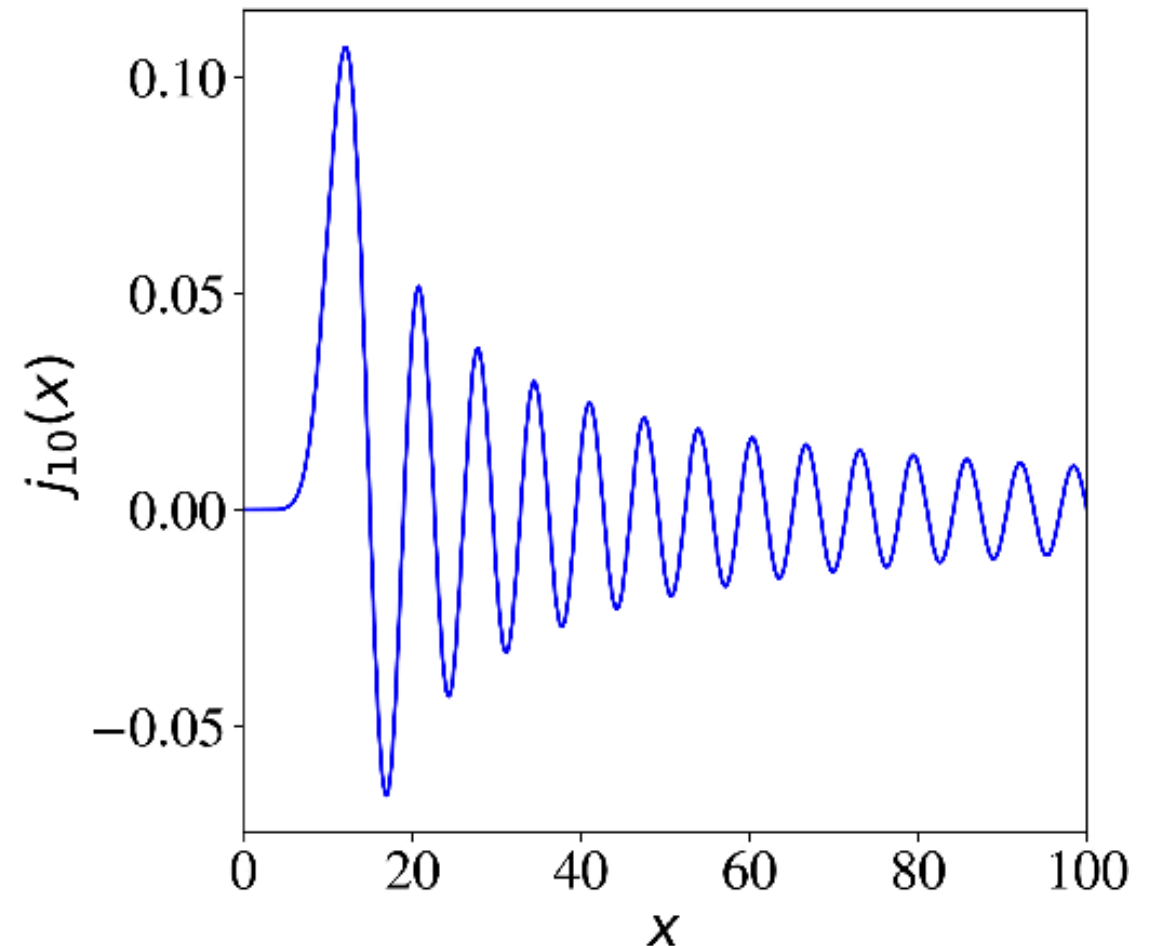
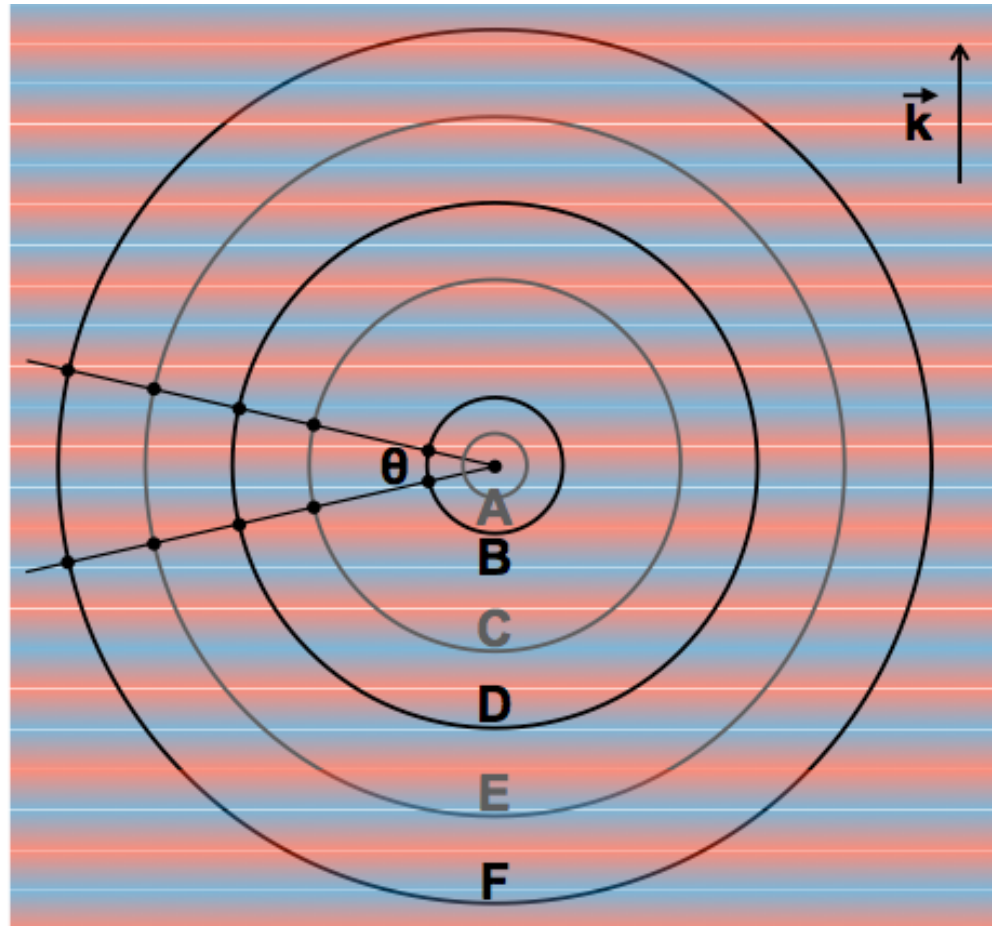
valid both for  
single mode  $\vec{k}$  or  
transfer function with  $k$

structure:  $\int d\eta f(\eta) A(\eta, \vec{k}) j_\ell(k(\eta_0 - \eta))$

“Physical effects relevant at times described by  $f(\eta)$   
imprint CMB photon anisotropies described in Fourier space by  $A(\eta, \vec{k})$ ,  
that project to multipole space according to  $j_\ell(k(\eta_0 - \eta))$ ”

# Angular projection of Fourier modes

Role of  $j_\ell(k(\eta_0 - \eta))$  ?



$$\text{Main contribution: } \theta = \frac{\pi}{l} = \frac{\lambda/2}{d_a} = \frac{a(\eta) \pi/k}{a(\eta) (\eta_0 - \eta)} \Leftrightarrow l = k(\eta_0 - \eta)$$

Other contributions: harmonics

# Sachs-Wolfe term

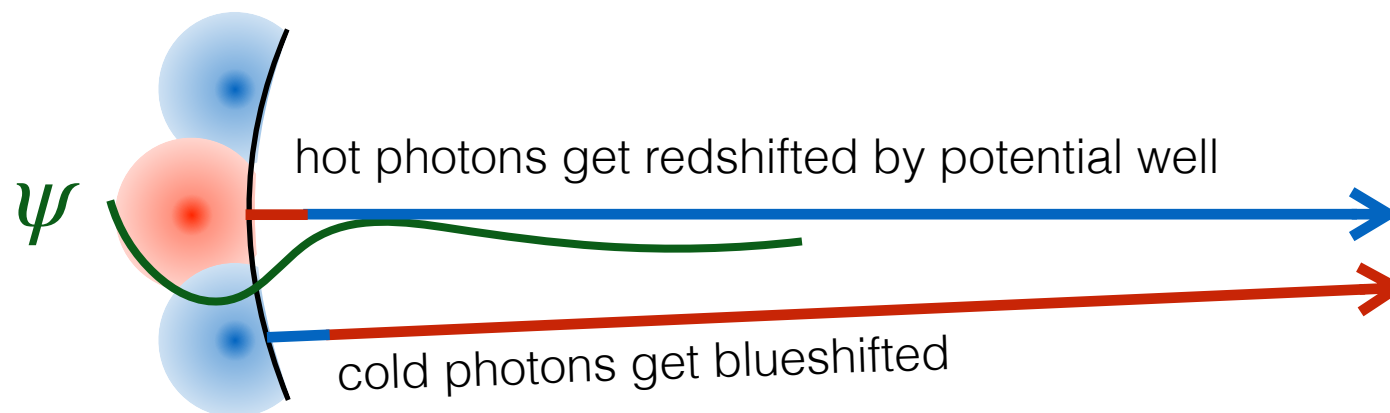
$$\begin{aligned}\Theta_l(\eta_0, \vec{k}) = & \int_{\eta_{\text{ini}}}^{\eta_0} d\eta \{ g(\Theta_0 + \psi) j_l(k(\eta_0 - \eta)) \\ & + g k^{-1} \theta_b j'_l(k(\eta_0 - \eta)) \\ & + e^{-\tau} (\phi' + \psi') j_l(k(\eta_0 - \eta)) \}\end{aligned}$$

Neglecting reionization:  $g(\eta)$  very peaked at  $\eta_{\text{dec}}$

$\Rightarrow$  effect takes place only on last scattering sphere

$\Rightarrow$  mode  $k$  project to  $\ell = k(\eta_0 - \eta_{\text{dec}})$

$\Theta_0(\eta_{\text{dec}}, \vec{k}) + \psi(\eta_{\text{dec}}, \vec{k})$  = intrinsic fluctuation + gravitational Doppler shift



( super-Hubble modes with  
adiabatic IC:  $\psi = -2\Theta_0$  ,  
Sachs-Wolfe effect wins,  
negative picture of last  
scattering sphere !