A VERIFICATION OF THE EXPANSION OF SPACE



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Galaxies in the Universe

THE DOPPLER SHIFT & COSMIC REDSHIFTS





 "Redshift" describes the stretching of electromagnetic wavelengths from receding sources



- We measure the redshifts of objects via characteristic patterns in electromagnetic spectra
- The amount of redshift gives the object's speed, in this case, 47 million miles per hour

- A colleague of Edwin Hubble's, Vesto Slipher, measured the redshifts of many galaxies, and found something surprising...
- Almost all galaxies (Andromeda is an exception), appear to have REDSHIFTS, or shifts to longer wavelengths (in contrast to blueshifts)
- This was startling because the implication is that most galaxies are moving away from ours!



- Edwin Hubble made a plot of the distance to galaxies against the velocities that galaxies were receding
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 Einstein's theory of describes an expanding Universe



• Einstein's theory predicts that perceived recession speed is proportional do distance



• Wavelengths of light are stretched by the expansion, giving rise to the redshift



• The amount of stretching, or redshift, gives the amount of cosmic expansion

COSMIC RAISIN BREAD



 The expansion and measured redshifts require no notion of a "center"



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- 3. Predicts a nearly uniform "background" of radiation from the early Universe: the 3 K, Cosmic Microwave Background (CMB)

CMB DISCOVERERS: ARNO PENZIAS & ROBERT WILSON





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A MEASUREMENT OF EXCESS ANTENNA TEMPERATURE AT 4080 Mc/s

Measurements of the effective zenith noise temperature of the 20-foot horn-reflector antenna (Crawford, Hogg, and Hunt 1961) at the Crawford Hill Laboratory, Holmdel, New Jersey, at 4080 Mc/s have yielded a value about 3.5° K higher than expected. This excess temperature is, within the limits of our observations, isotropic, unpolarized, and



















THE WILKINSON MICROWAVE ANISOTROPY PROBE





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EVERYONE'S VIEW!



SOME OTHER GALAXY



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If Galaxy Cluster Velocities explain redshifts, rather than the stretching of space, then there should be a large decrease in the CMB intensity at ALL FREQUENCIES!





MEASURED SUNYAEV-ZELDOVICH EFFECT 197



Frequency, 220 GHZ

Frequency, 150 GHZ

-436

133

70



MEASURED SUNYAEV-ZELDOVICH EFFECT 206



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 Space expands, in order to explain high redshift (Doppler shifted) clusters that do not move!