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Lecture 8: Understanding the Power Spectrum of the Temperature Anisotropy

and

Introduction to CMB Polarisation

Part I: Cosmological Parameter Dependence of the Temperature Power Spectrum

Before starting: Let's recap the Big Picture

In words!

- *How does the power spectrum constrain the baryon density?*

- Via the speed of sound, the increased inertia of a photon-baryon fluid, and Silk damping.

$$\frac{\delta\rho_\gamma}{4\bar{\rho}_\gamma} + \Phi = \frac{\zeta}{5} \left\{ 3R\mathcal{T}(q) - (1+R)^{-1/4} \mathcal{S}(q) \cos[qr_s + \theta(q)] \right\}$$

- They all depend on R (the baryon-photon energy density **ratio**), which is proportional to $\Omega_B h^2$. **Note h^2 ! It is not just Ω_B .**

$$R = \frac{3\Omega_B}{4\Omega_\gamma} \frac{a}{a_0} = 0.6120 \left(\frac{\Omega_B h^2}{0.022} \right) \frac{1091}{1+z}$$

$$\Omega_\gamma \equiv \frac{8\pi G \rho_{\gamma 0}}{3H_0^2} = 2.471 \times 10^{-5} h^{-2}$$

Before starting: Let's recap the Big Picture

In words!

- *How does the power spectrum constrain the total matter density?*
- Via the boost of the amplitude of sound waves and the ISW due to a decaying gravitational after the horizon re-entry.

$$\frac{\Delta T(\hat{n})}{T_0} = \frac{\delta T(t_L, \hat{n}r_L)}{\bar{T}(t_L)} + \Phi(t_L, \hat{n}r_L) - \Phi(t_0, 0) + \int_{t_L}^{t_0} dt (\dot{\Phi} + \dot{\Psi})(t, \hat{n}r)$$

$$\frac{\delta\rho_\gamma}{4\bar{\rho}_\gamma} + \Phi = \frac{\zeta}{5} \left\{ 3RT(q) - (1+R)^{-1/4} \mathcal{S}(q) \cos[qr_s + \theta(q)] \right\}$$

- They all depend on q_{EQ} (the wavenumber of the matter-radiation equality), which is proportional to $\Omega_M h^2$. **Note h^2 ! It is not just Ω_M .**

$$q_{\text{EQ}} = a_{\text{EQ}} H_{\text{EQ}} \sim 0.01 (\Omega_M h^2 / 0.14) \text{ Mpc}^{-1}$$

Before starting: Things you haven't learned yet

- *How does the power spectrum constrain the Hubble constant?*
 - Via the (comoving) distance to the last scattering surface, r_L . Particularly interesting now because of the “Hubble constant tension”.
- *How does the power spectrum constrain the dark energy?*
 - The same: via r_L .
- *How does the power spectrum constrain the epoch of reionization?*
 - The temperature power spectrum cannot constrain this.

How does r_L depend on H_0 and dark energy?

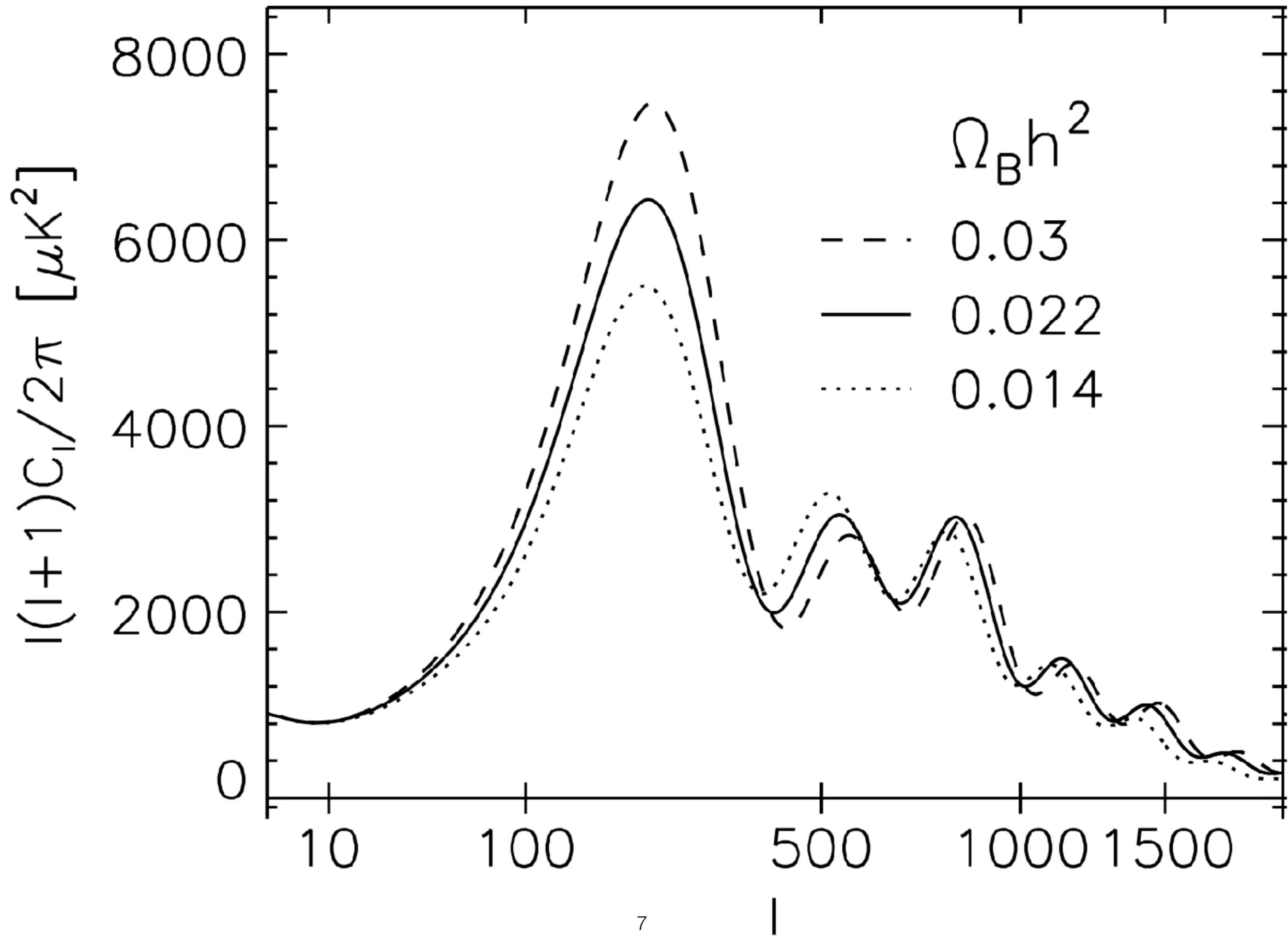
$$a_0 r_L = c a_0 \int_{t_L}^{t_0} \frac{dt}{a(t)} = c a_0 \int_{a_L}^{a_0} \frac{da}{a \dot{a}} = c a_0 \int_{a_L}^{a_0} \frac{da}{a^2 H(a)}$$

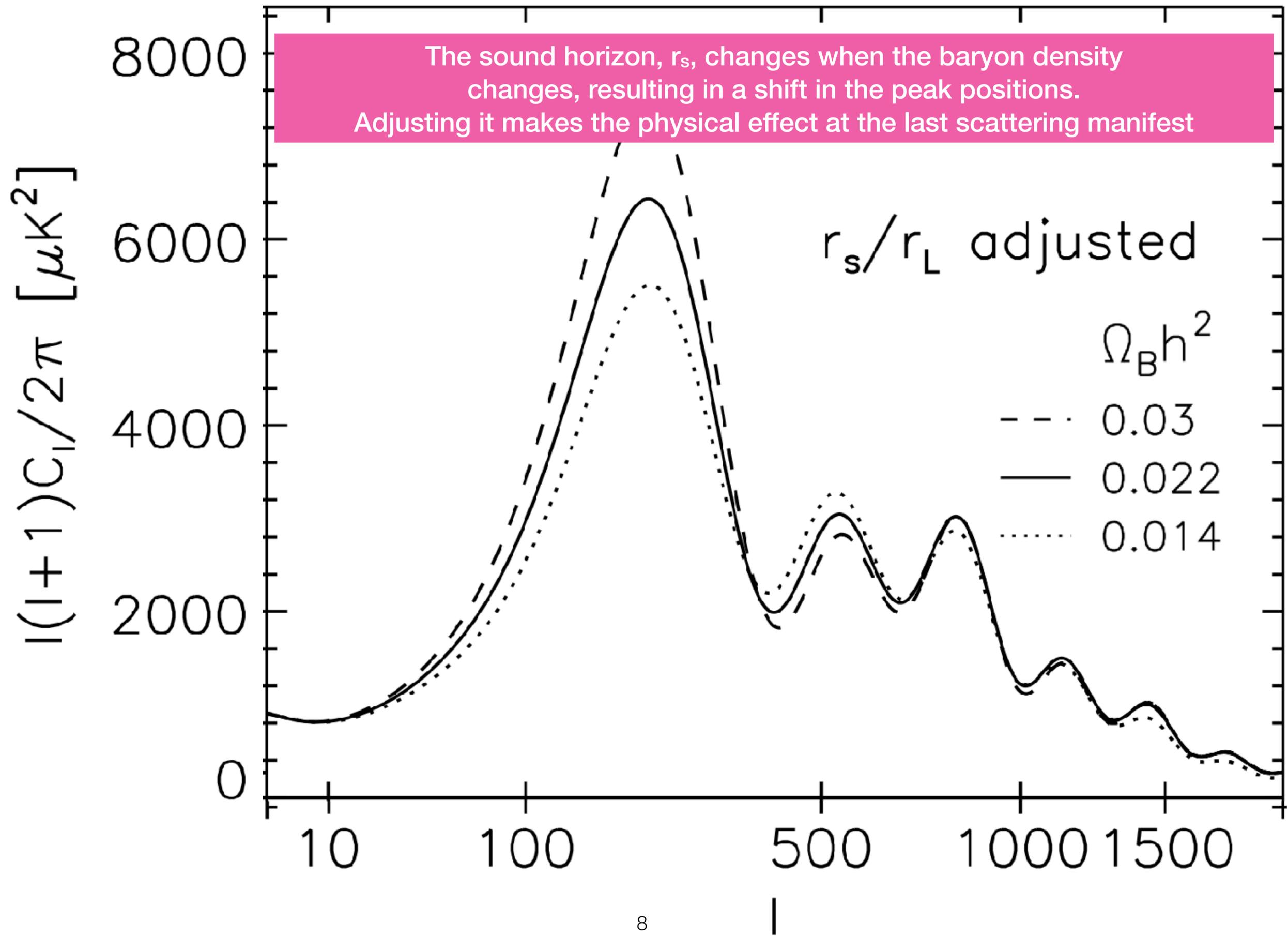
Friedmann's
equation

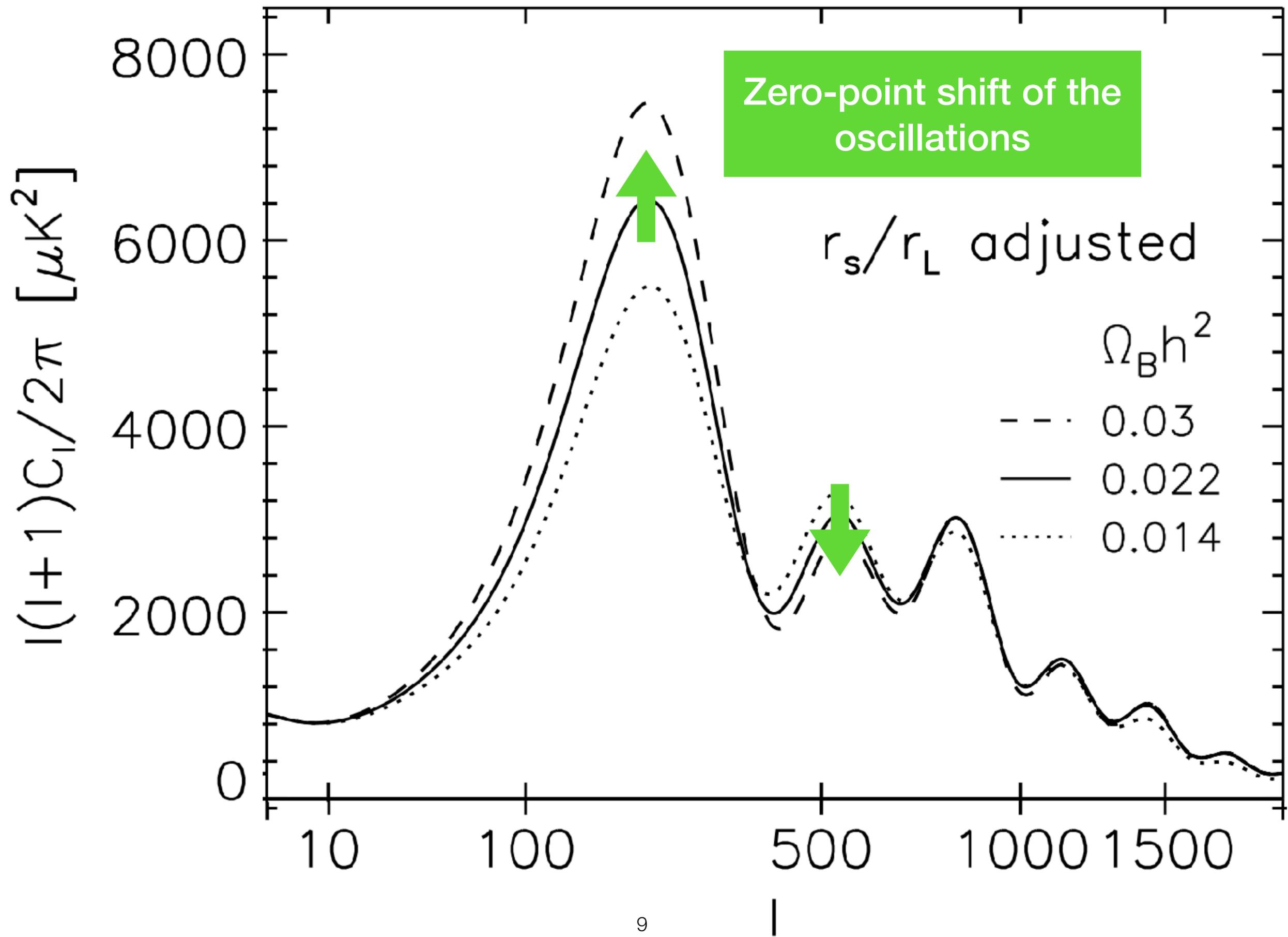
$$H^2(a) = H_0^2 (\underbrace{\Omega_M a^{-3} + \Omega_k a^{-2} + \Omega_\Lambda}_{\Omega_M + \Omega_k + \Omega_\Lambda = 1}) \rightarrow H_0^2 (\underbrace{\Omega_M a^{-3} + 1 - \Omega_M}_{\text{Flat Universe } \Omega_k=0})$$

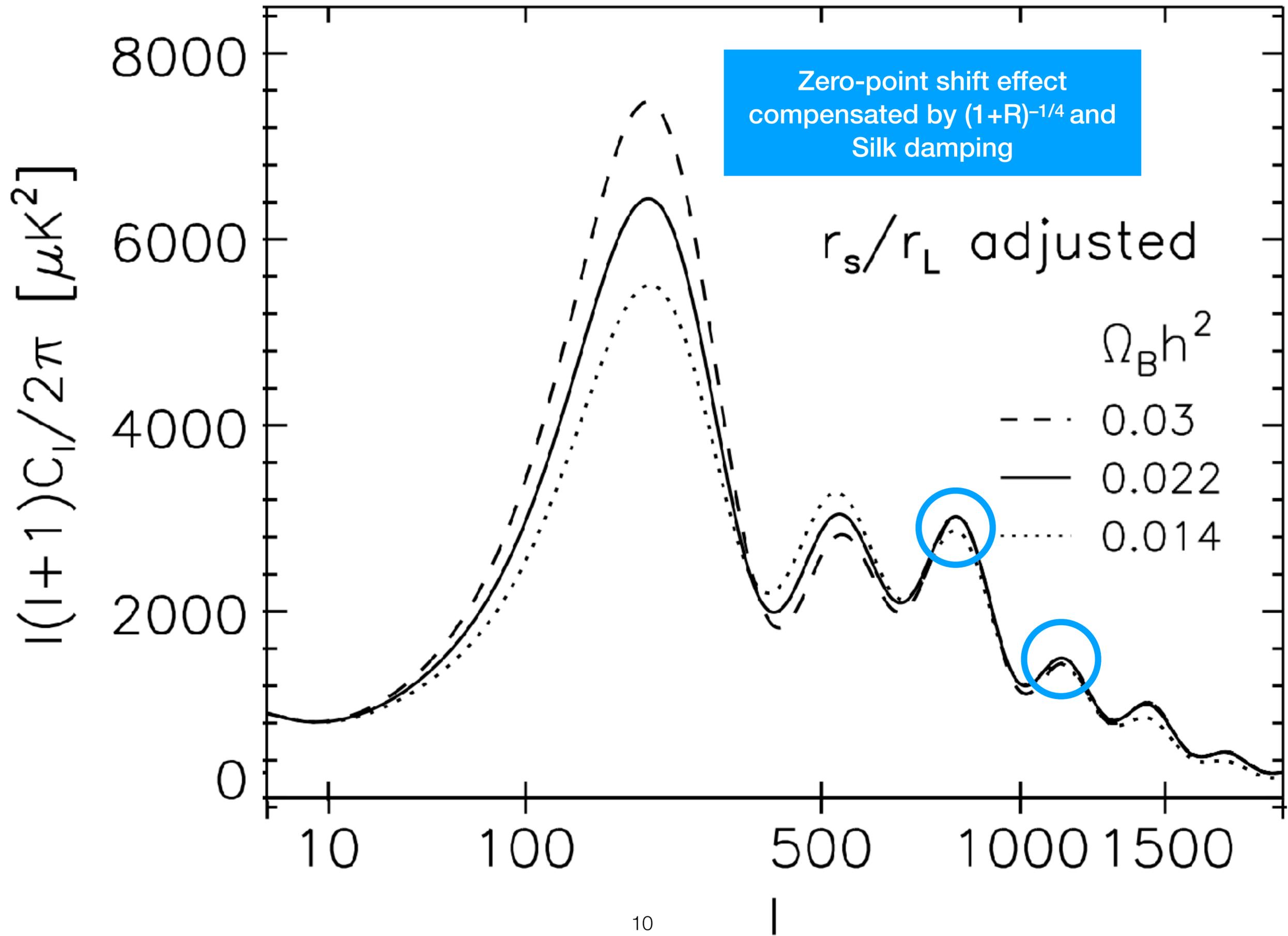
$$\propto (\Omega_M h^2 a^{-3} + h^2 - \Omega_M h^2)$$

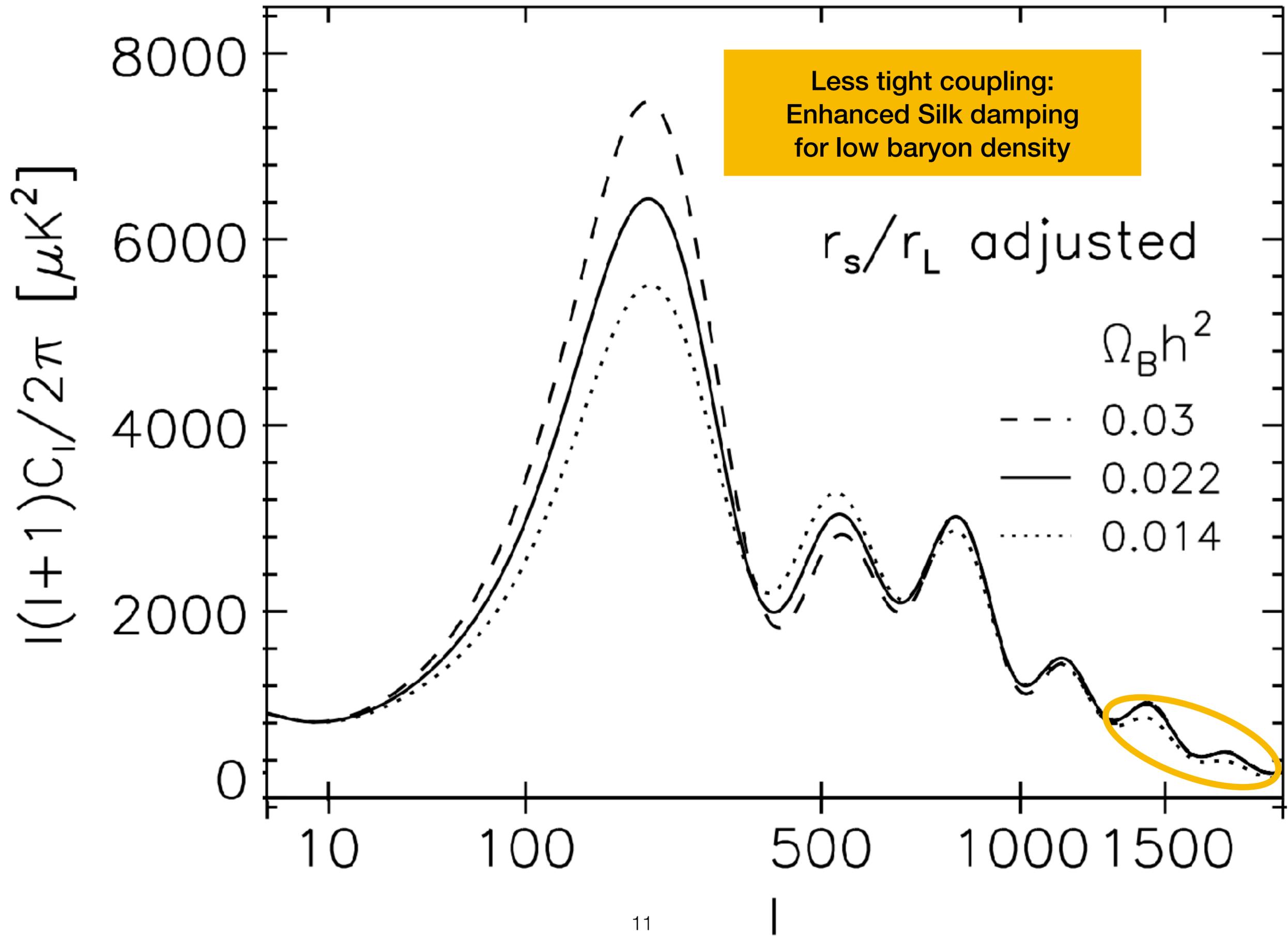
- We must know $\Omega_M h^2$ in advance. The CMB peak heights tell us $\Omega_M h^2$, which then enables us to determine H_0 **if we assume a flat Universe**. Otherwise, we cannot really determine H_0 or Ω_Λ ! (Unless we use gravitational lensing of the CMB.)

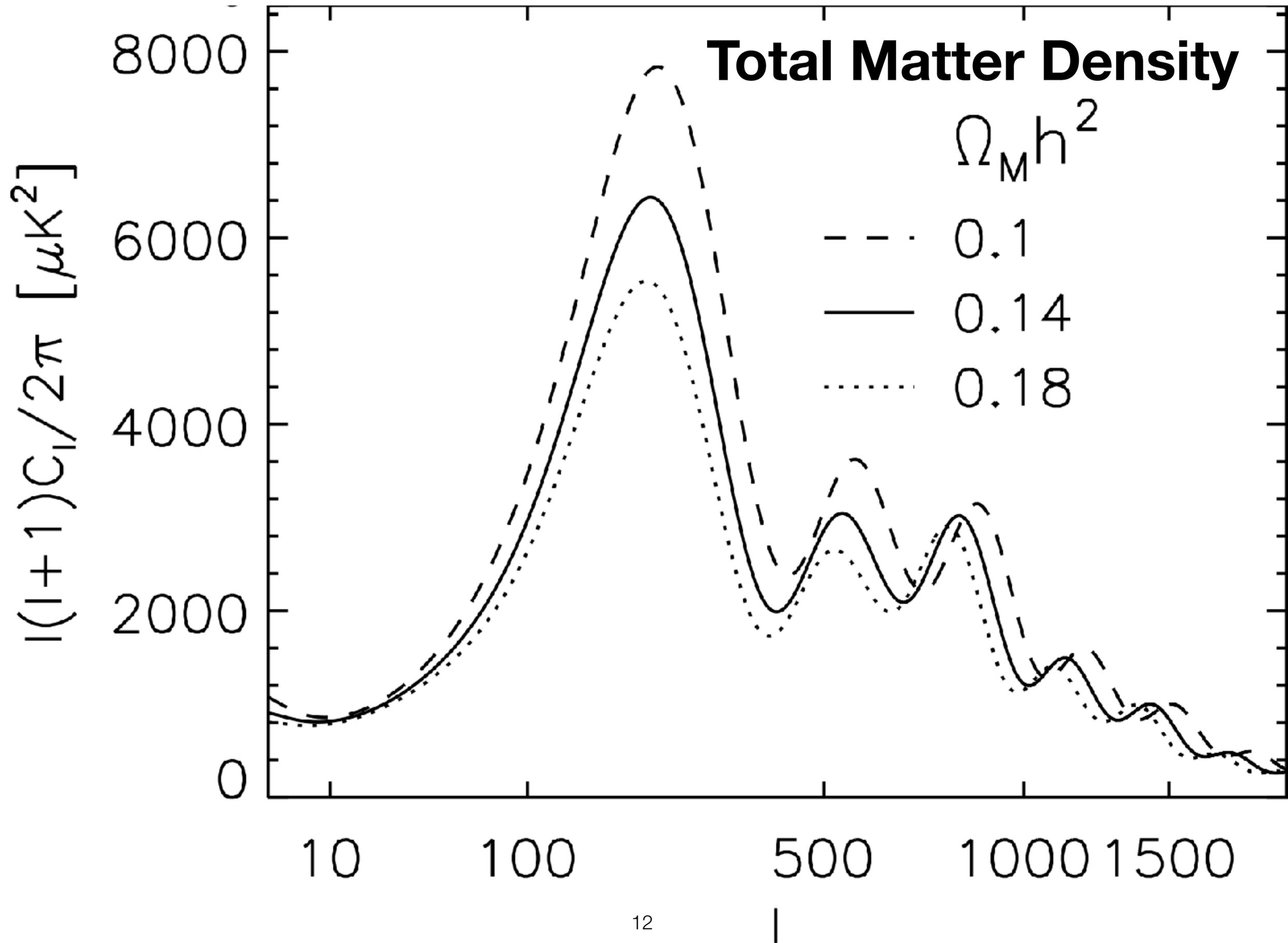


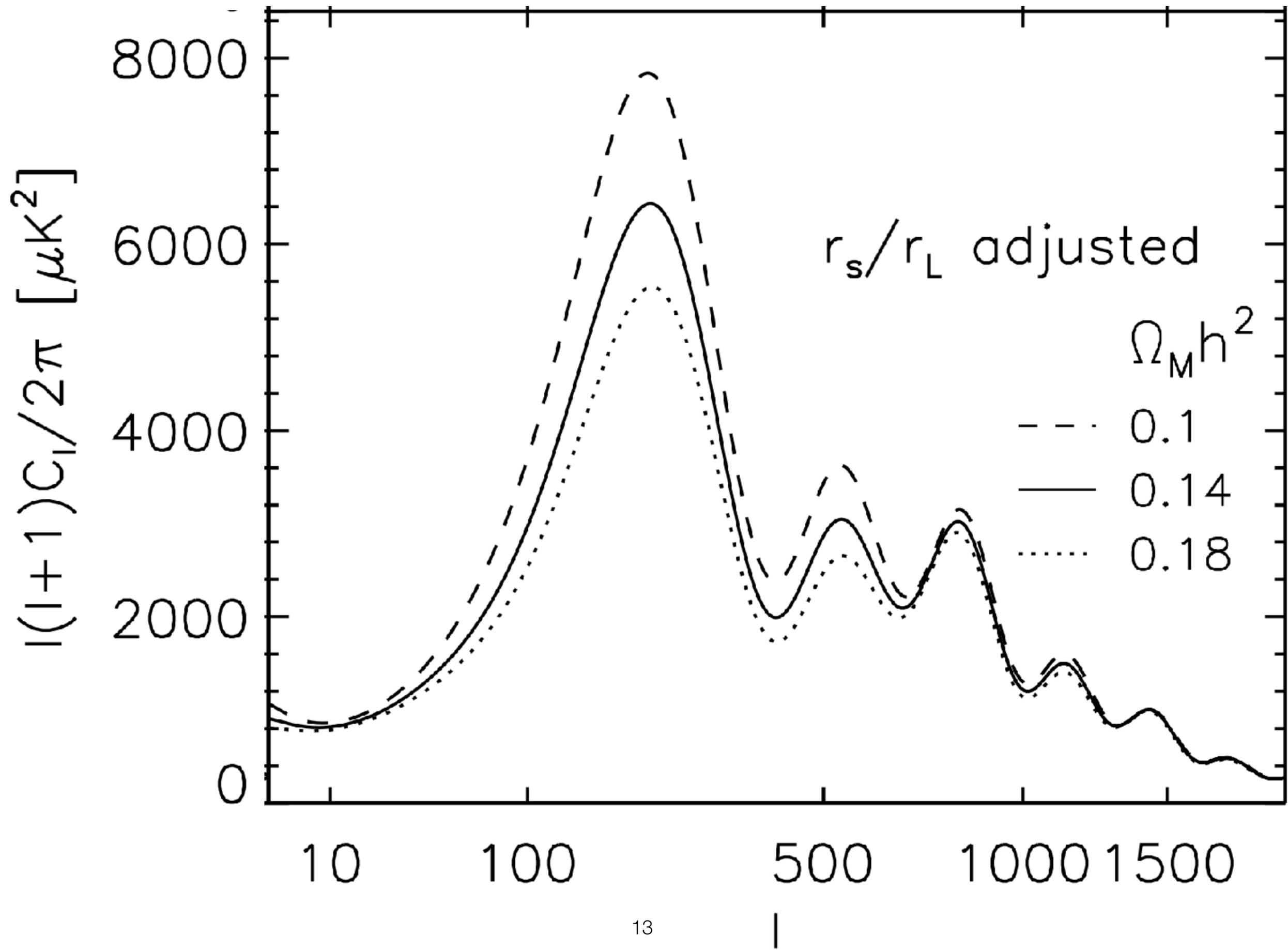


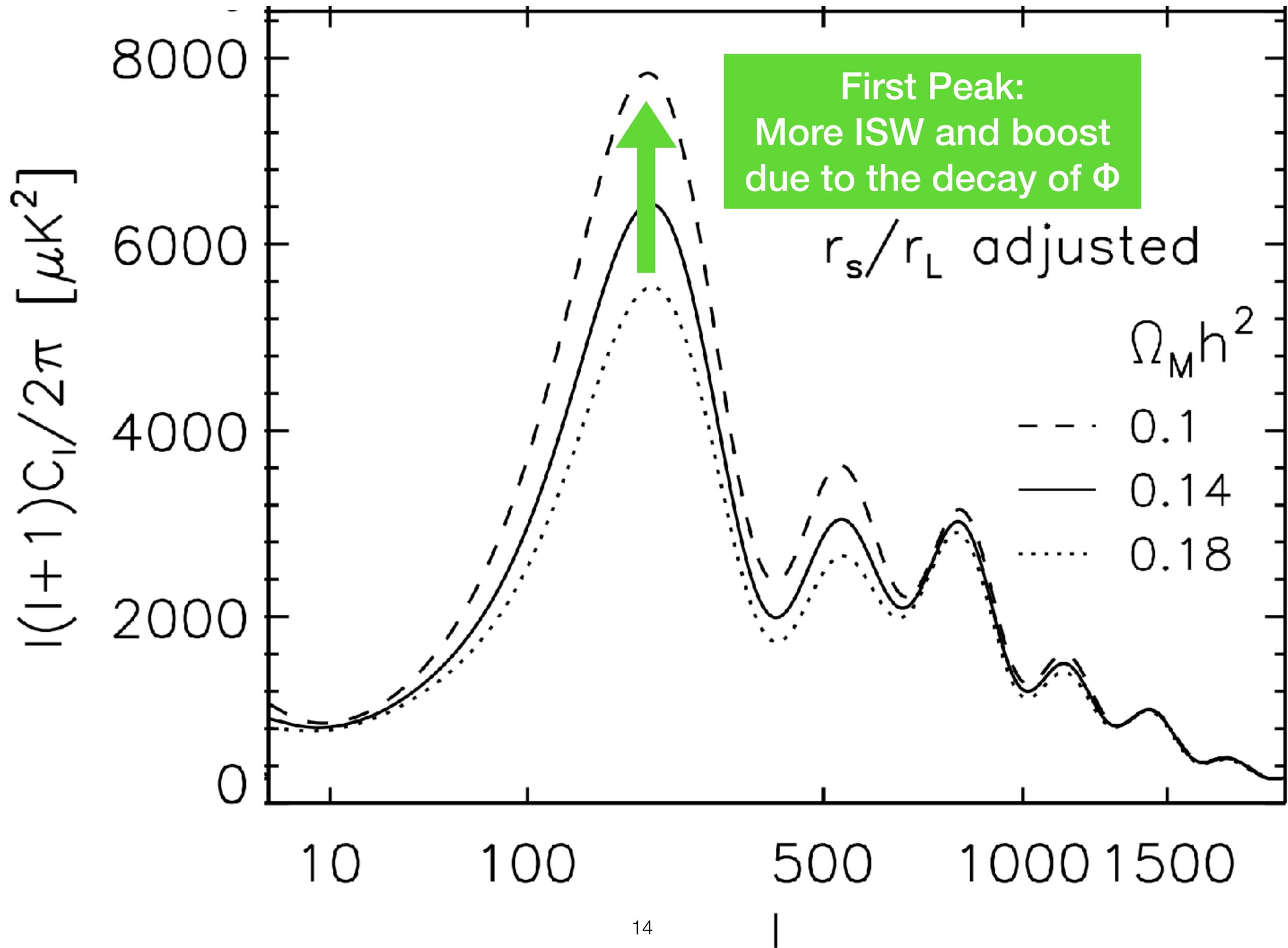


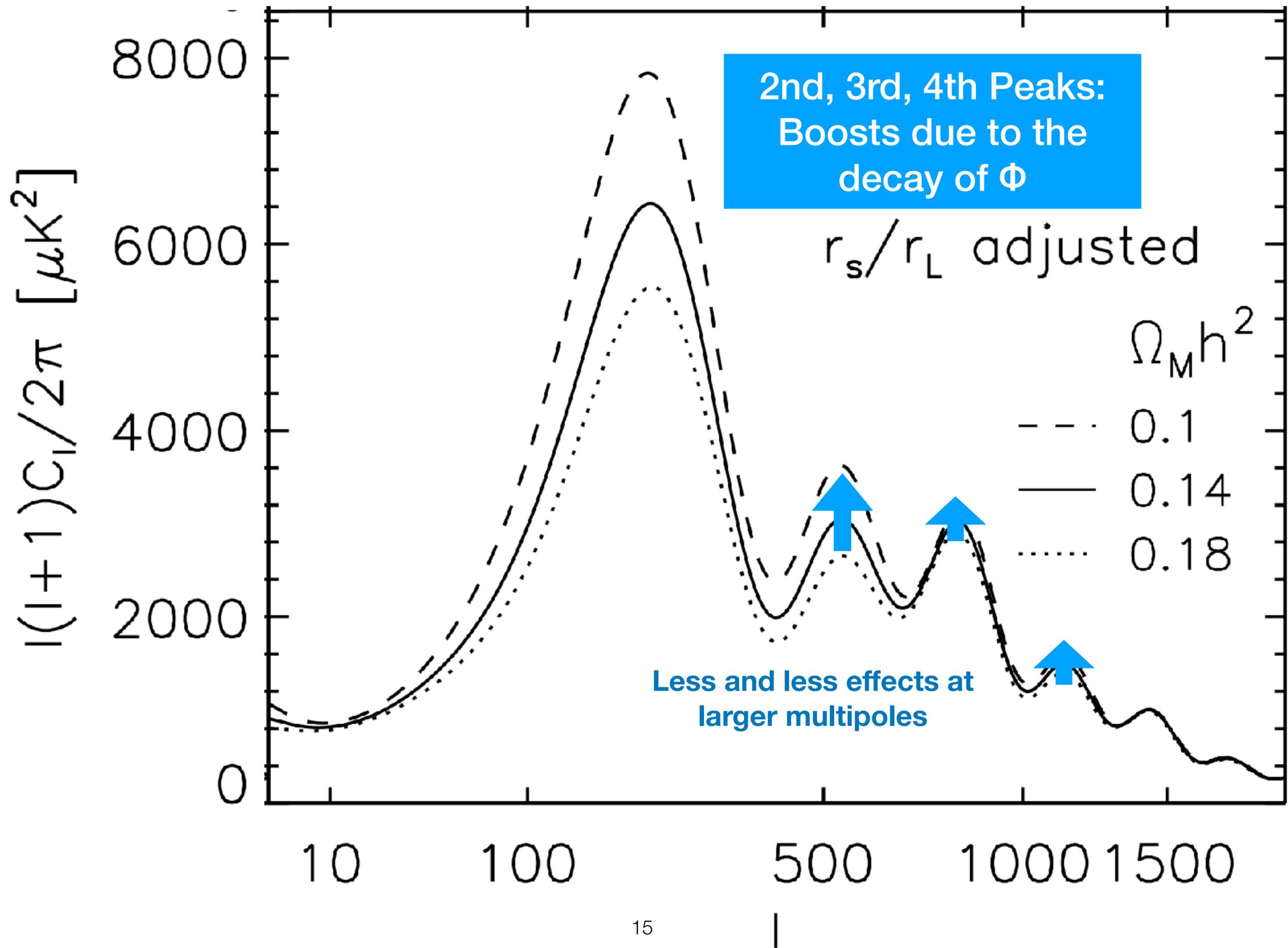












Two Other Effects

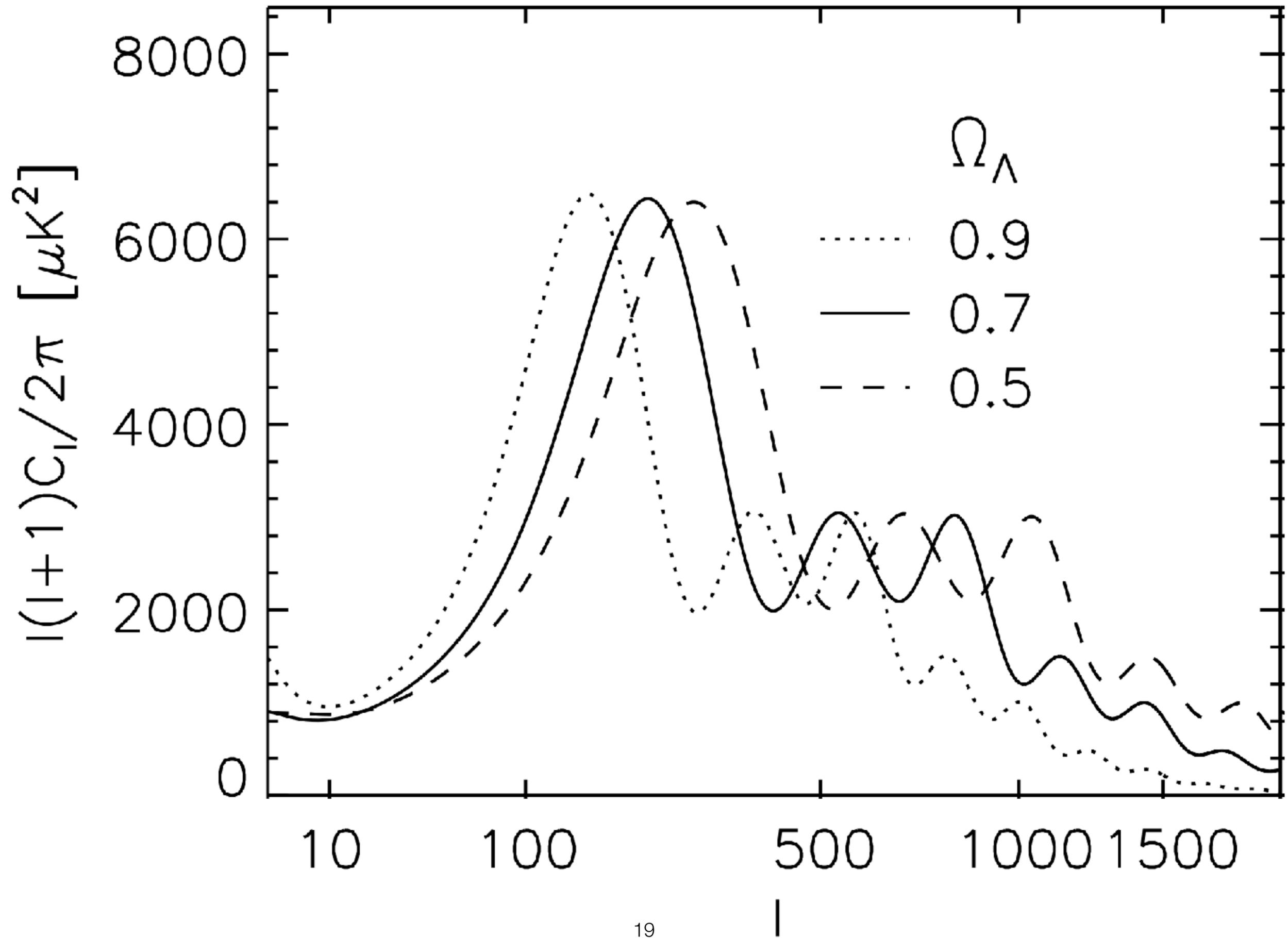
- **Spatial curvature**
 - We have been assuming a spatially-flat Universe with zero curvature (i.e., Euclidean space). What if it is curved?
- **Optical depth to Thomson scattering in a low-redshift Universe**
 - We have been assuming that the Universe is transparent to photons since the last scattering at $z=1090$. What if there is an extra scattering in a low-redshift Universe?

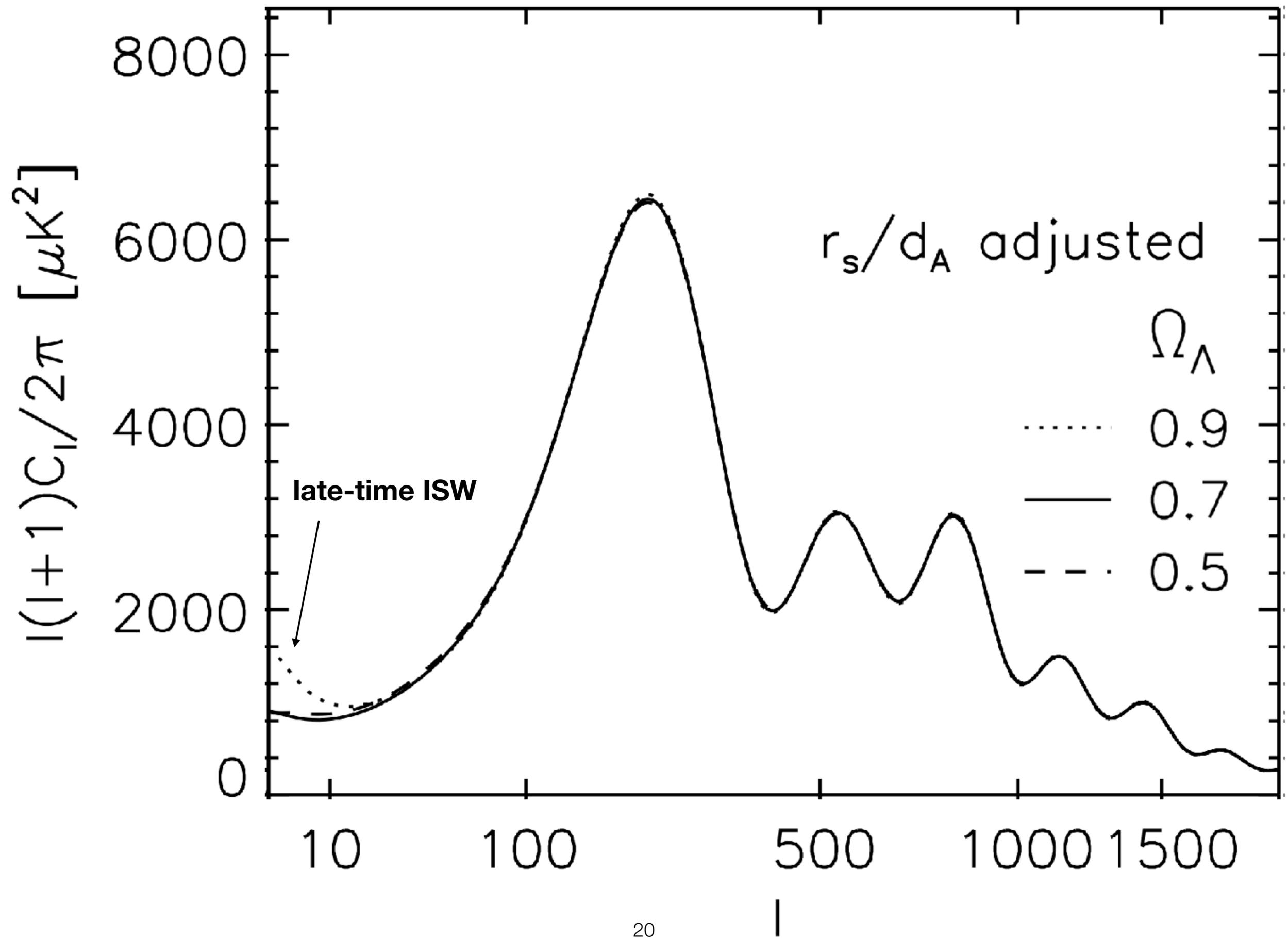
Spatial Curvature

- It changes the angular diameter distance, d_A , to the last scattering surface; namely,
- $r_L \rightarrow d_A = R \sin(r_L/R) = r_L(1 - r_L^2/6R^2) + \dots$ for **positively**-curved space
- $r_L \rightarrow d_A = R \sinh(r_L/R) = r_L(1 + r_L^2/6R^2) + \dots$ for **negatively**-curved space

Smaller angles (larger multipoles) for a negatively curved Universe



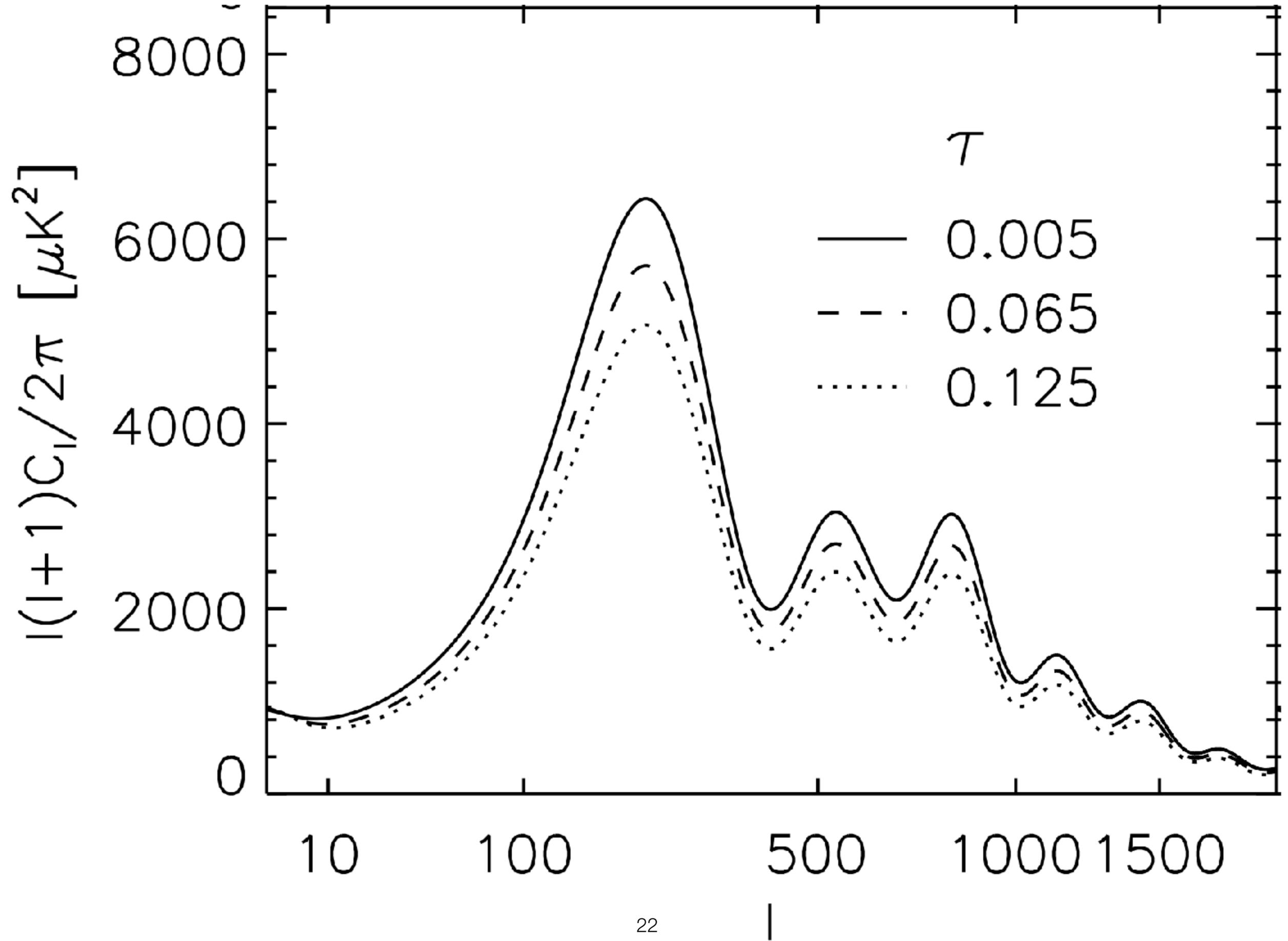


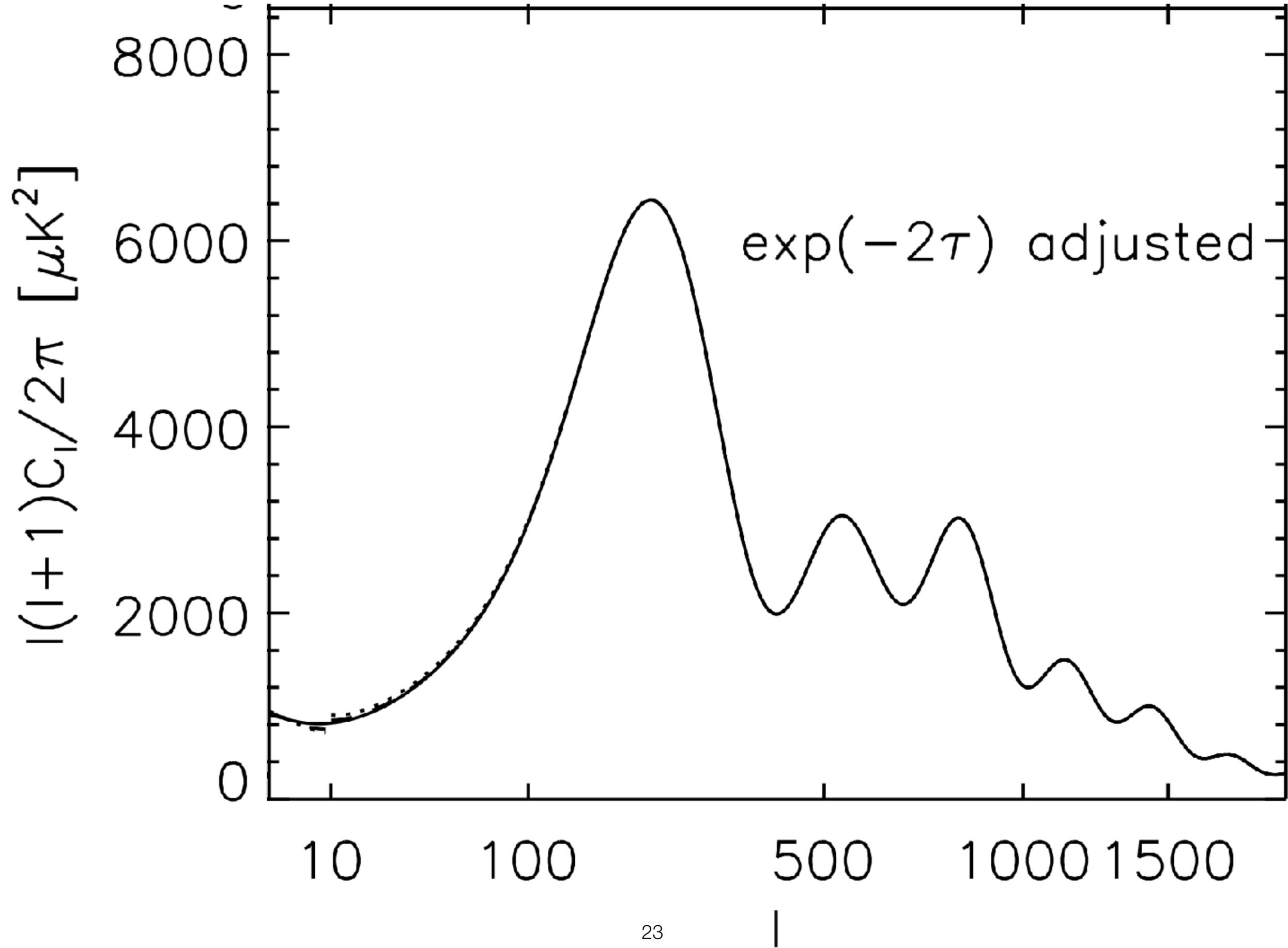


Optical Depth

- Extra scattering by electrons in a low-redshift Universe damps temperature anisotropy
- $C_l \rightarrow C_l \exp(-2\tau)$ at $l > \sim 10$
 - where τ is the optical depth

$$\tau = c\sigma_T \int_{t_{\text{re-ionisation}}}^{t_0} dt \bar{n}_e$$





Important consequence of the optical depth

- Since the power spectrum is uniformly suppressed by $\exp(-2\tau)$ at $l > \sim 10$, we cannot determine the amplitude of the power spectrum of the gravitational potential, $P_\phi(q)$, independently of τ .

- Namely, what we constrain is the combination: $\exp(-2\tau)P_\phi(q)$

$$\propto \exp(-2\tau) A_s$$

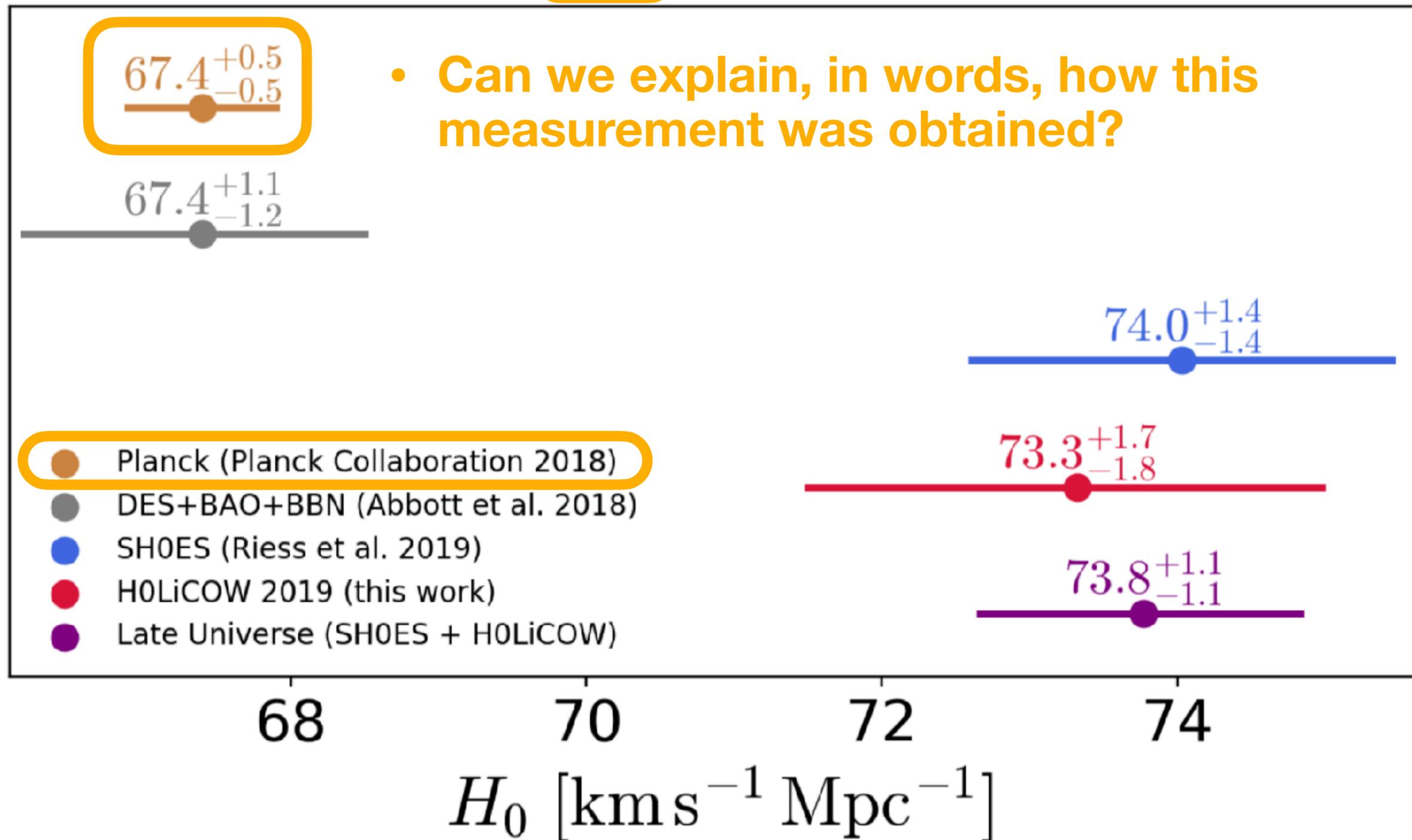
- Breaking this degeneracy requires an independent determination of the optical depth. This requires **POLARISATION** of the CMB.

Cosmological Parameters Derived from the Power Spectrum

	WMAP	Planck	+CMB Lensing
$100\Omega_B h^2$	2.264 ± 0.050	2.222 ± 0.023	2.226 ± 0.023
$\Omega_D h^2$	0.1138 ± 0.0045	0.1197 ± 0.0022	0.1186 ± 0.0020
Ω_Λ	0.721 ± 0.025	0.685 ± 0.013	0.692 ± 0.012
n	0.972 ± 0.013	0.9655 ± 0.0062	0.9677 ± 0.0060
$10^9 A_s$	2.203 ± 0.067	$2.198^{+0.076}_{-0.085}$	2.139 ± 0.063
τ	0.089 ± 0.014	0.078 ± 0.019	0.066 ± 0.016
t_0 [100 Myr]	137.4 ± 1.1	138.13 ± 0.38	137.99 ± 0.38
H_0	70.0 ± 2.2	67.31 ± 0.96	67.81 ± 0.92
$\Omega_M h^2$	0.1364 ± 0.0044	0.1426 ± 0.0020	0.1415 ± 0.0019
$10^9 A_s e^{-2\tau}$	1.844 ± 0.031	1.880 ± 0.014	1.874 ± 0.013
σ_8	0.821 ± 0.023	0.829 ± 0.014	0.8149 ± 0.0093

The Hubble Constant Tension

The role of the CMB **flat** Λ CDM



CMB -> Distance Ratio -> (Physics) -> H₀

Physical Assumption: the sound horizon r_s

- The CMB peak positions are controlled by $\cos(qr_s)$.
- We measure q in the angular wavenumber, $l \sim qr_L$.
- Thus, the CMB power spectrum gives a direct measurement of the distance **ratio**: r_s/r_L .
- You already know how to obtain $a_0 r_s = 145$ Mpc (see Lecture 5).
- Today we saw how r_L depends on cosmology (in a flat Universe):

$$a_0 r_L = c a_0 \int_{a_L}^{a_0} \frac{da}{a^2 H(a)} \propto \int_{a_L}^{a_0} \frac{da}{a^2 \sqrt{\Omega_M h^2 a^{-3} + h^2 - \Omega_M h^2}}$$

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- Thus, the CMB power spectrum C_l depends on the distance ratio: r_s/r_L .
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If we used an incorrect value of r_s , we would infer r_L incorrectly, hence an incorrect value of H_0 !

$$a_0 r_L = c a_0 \int_{a_L}^{a_0} \frac{da}{a^2 H(a)} \propto \int_{a_L}^{a_0} \frac{da}{a^2 \sqrt{\Omega_M h^2 a^{-3} + h^2 - \Omega_M h^2}}$$

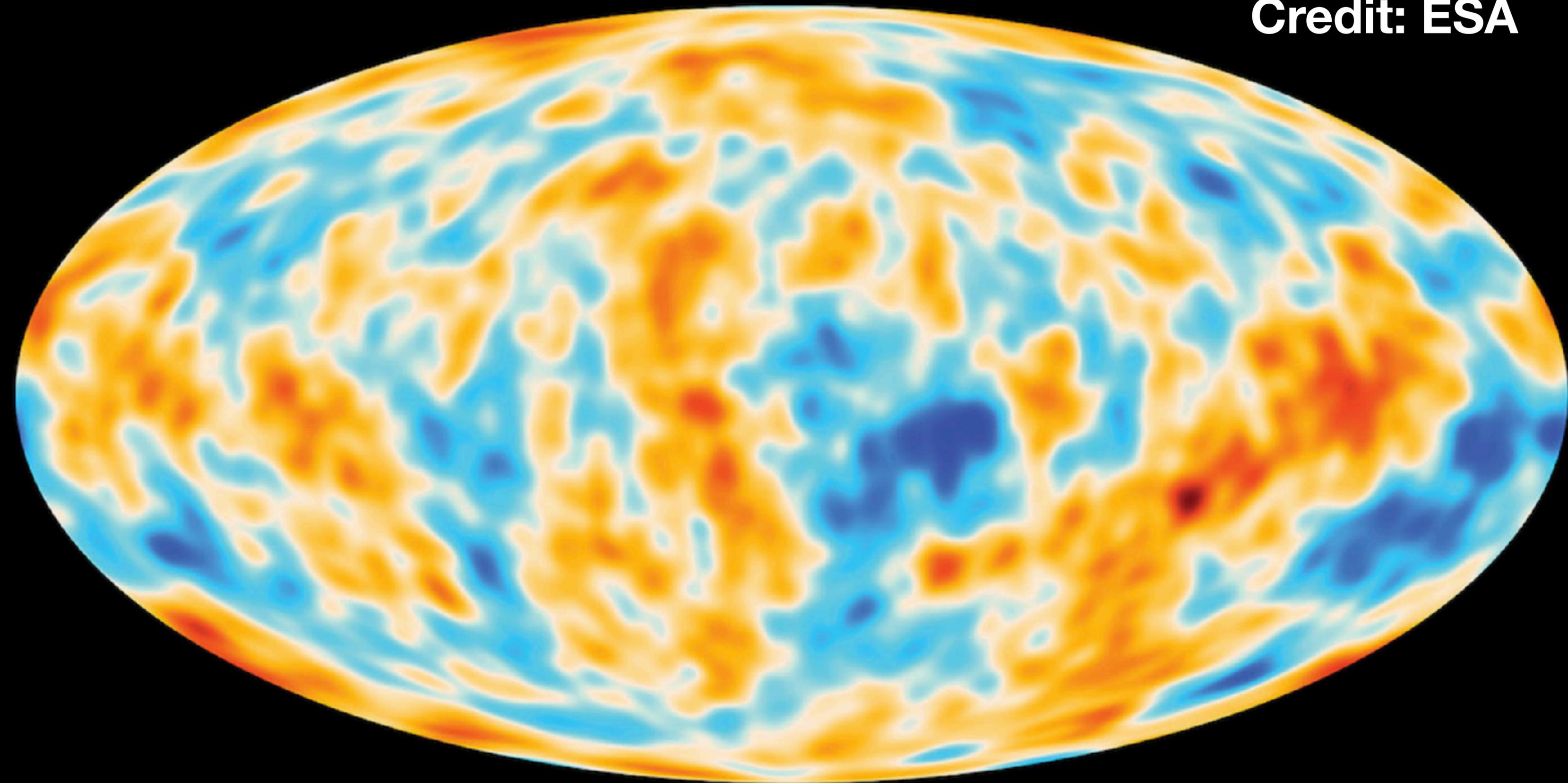
So...?

Bernal, Verde and Riess (2016); Poulin et al. (2019)

- The CMB-inferred value of H_0 is too low, by 10 percent.
 - This means that the inferred value of r_L is too high, by 10 percent.
 - This may mean that the value of r_s we calculated using the standard understanding of physics was too high by 10 percent.
 - **If we managed to reduce the calculated value of r_s by 10 percent**, we could resolve the Hubble constant tension.
- Is that possible? Not really, but one way to achieve this would be to increase $H(a)$ by 10 percent in the radiation era. => **Early Dark Energy?**

Part II: Basics of the CMB Polarisation

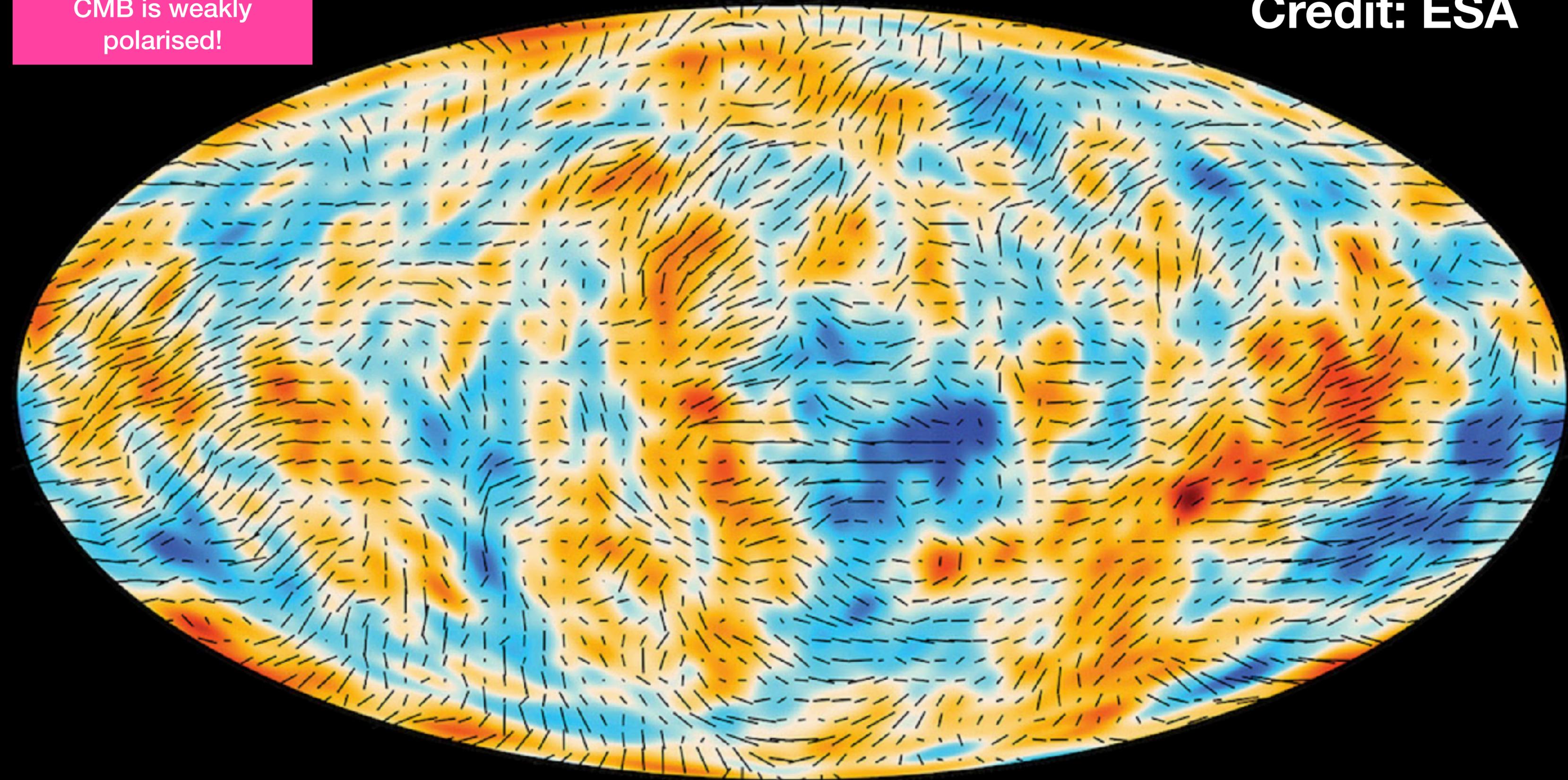
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Temperature (smoothed)

CMB is weakly
polarised!

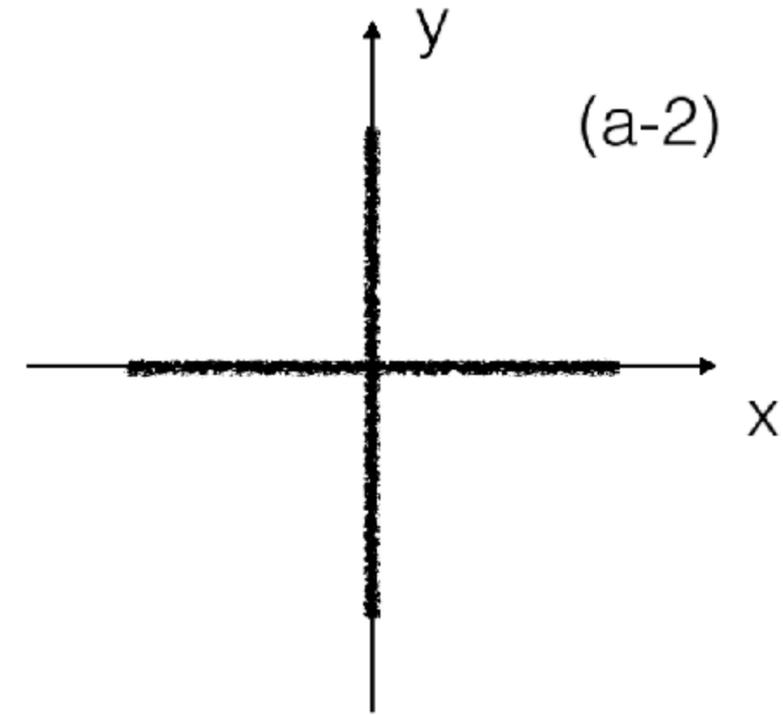
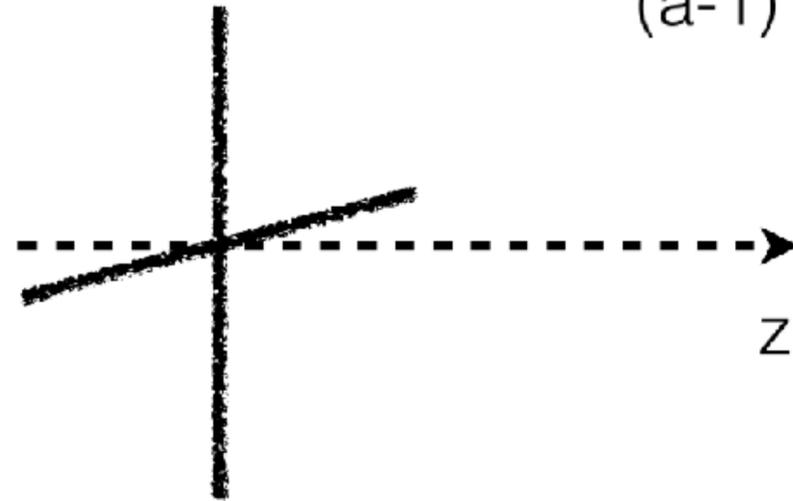
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Temperature (smoothed) + Polarisation

Polarisation

No polarisation



Polarised in x-direction

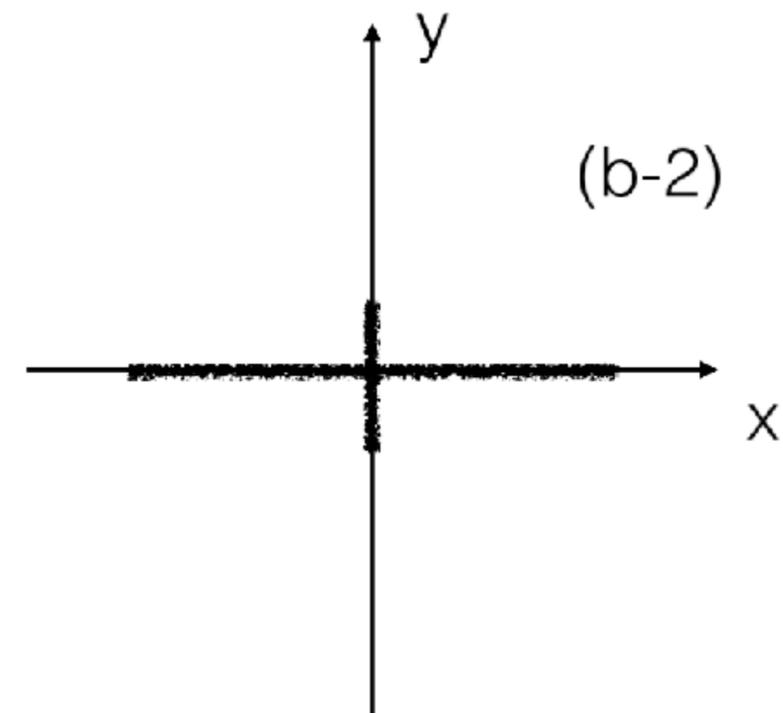
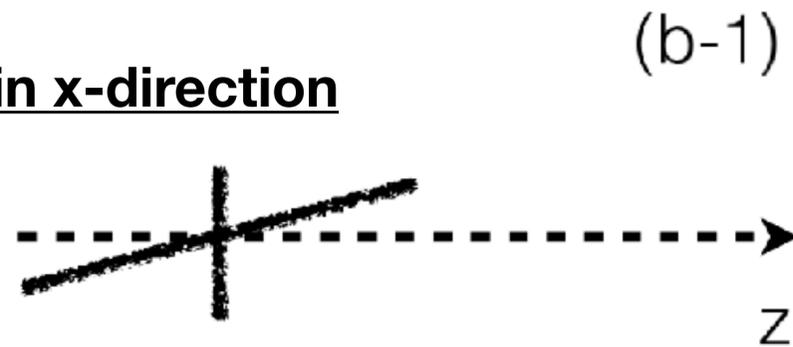


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horizontally polarised

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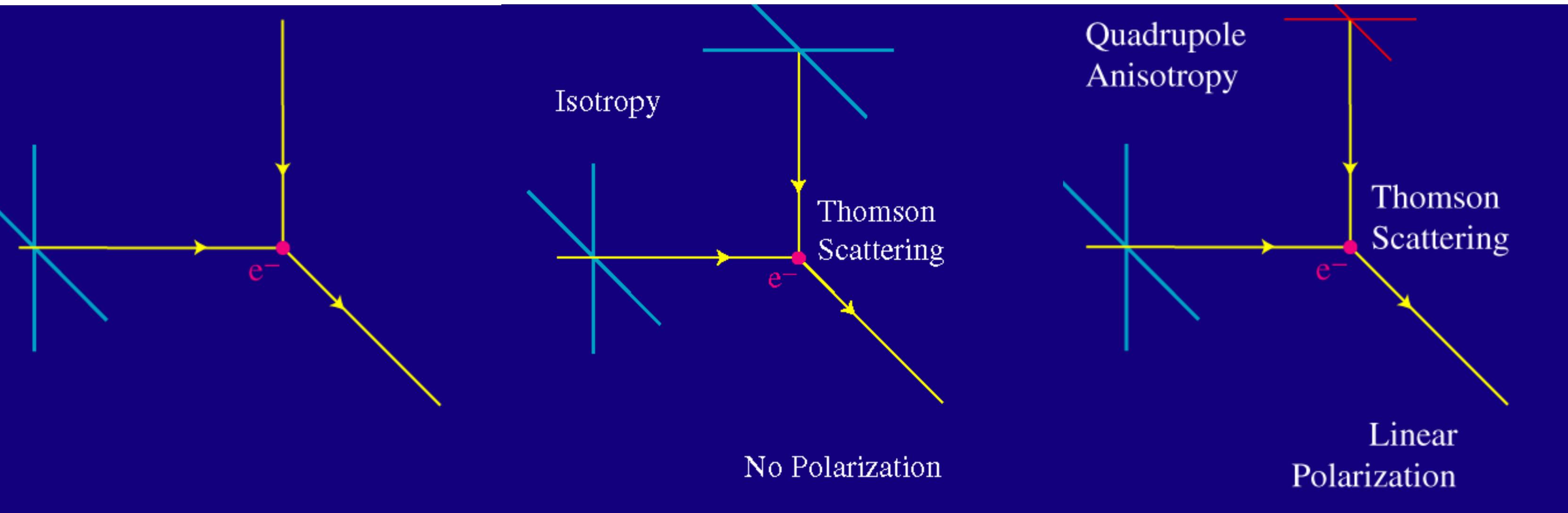
Generation of polarisation

The necessary and sufficient conditions

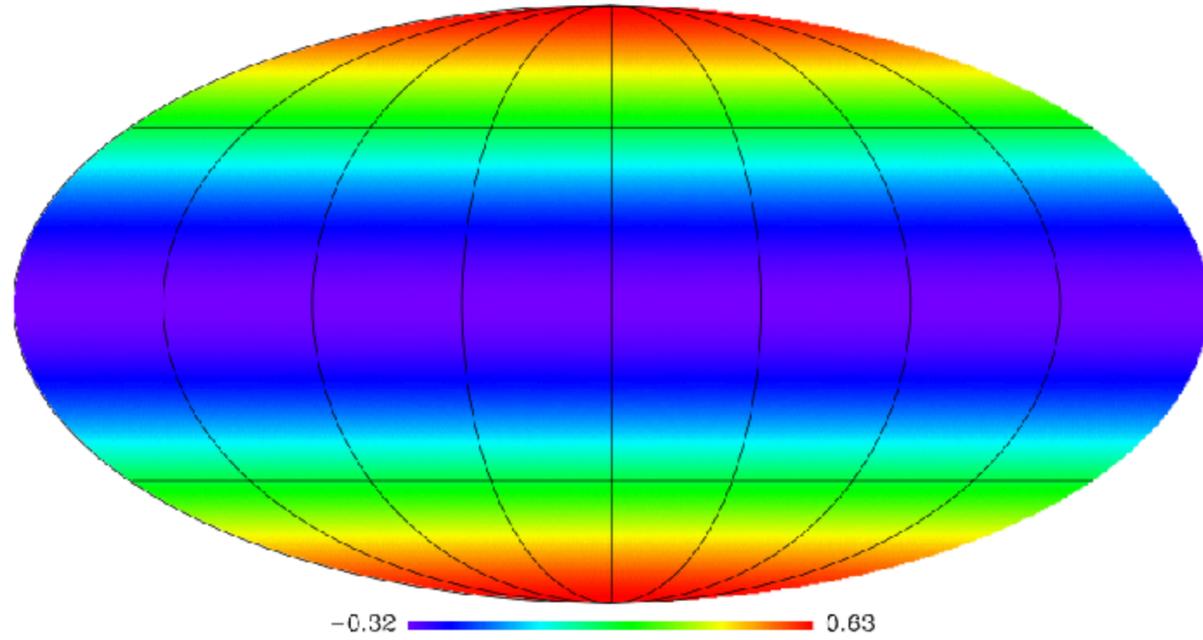
- To generate polarisation, we must satisfy the following two conditions
 - **Scattering**
 - **Anisotropic incident light**
- However, the Universe does not have a preferred direction. How do we generate anisotropic incident light?

Physics of CMB Polarisation

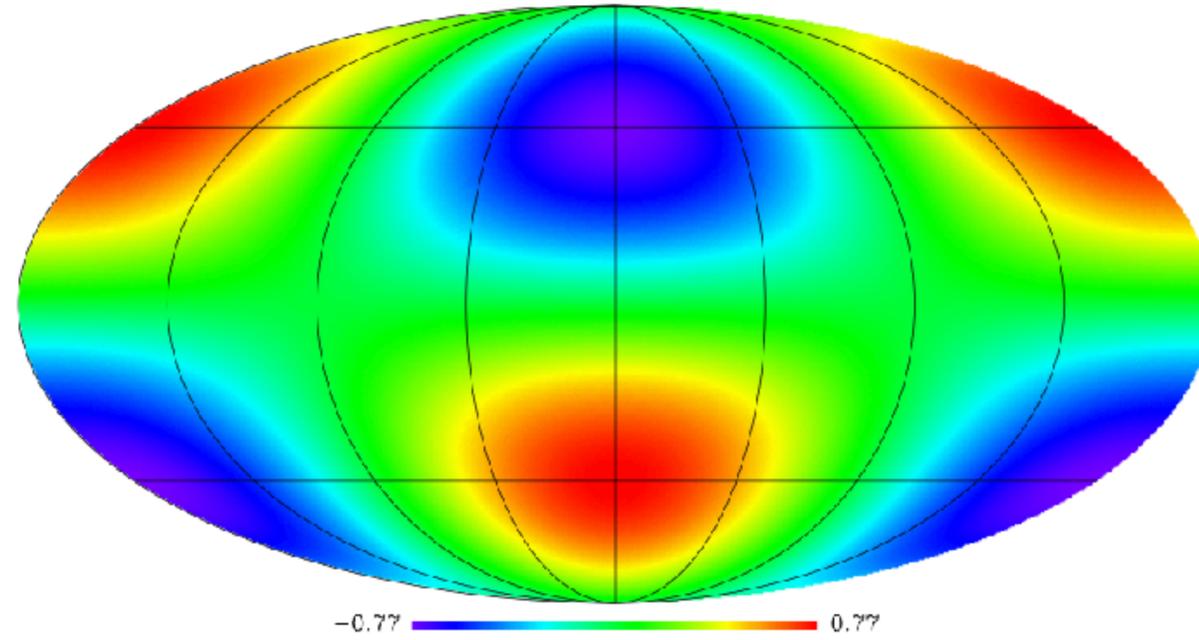
Necessary and sufficient condition: Scattering and *Local* Quadrupole Anisotropy



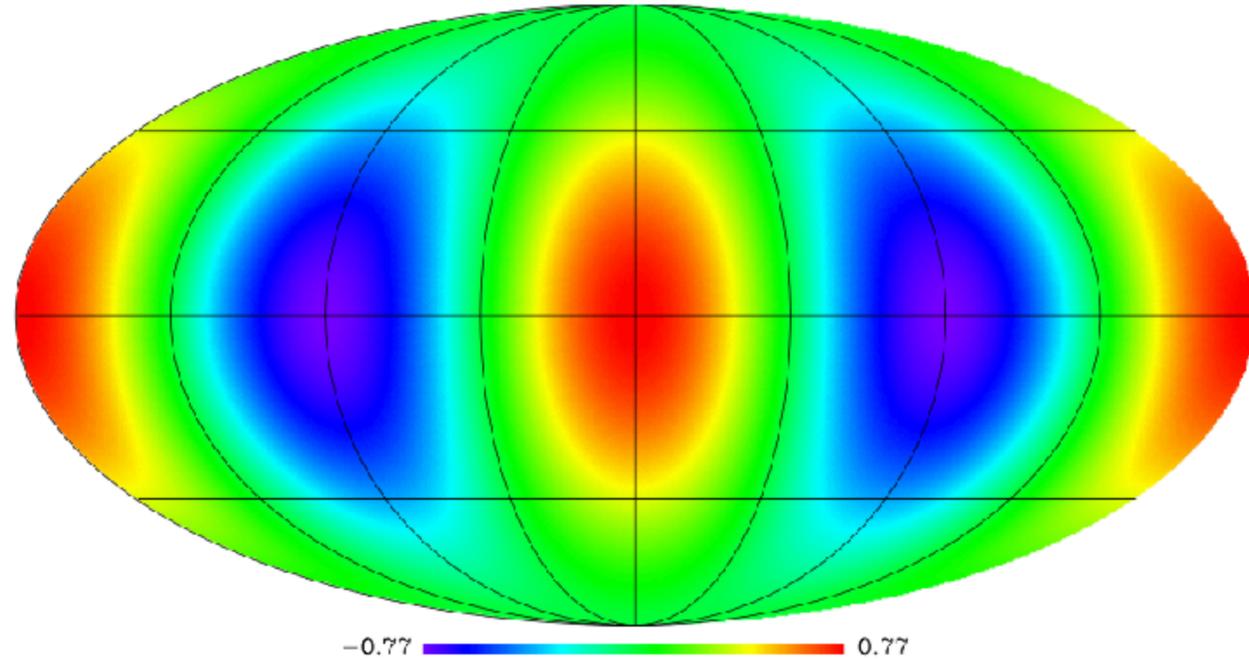
$(l,m)=(2,0)$



$(l,m)=(2,1)$



$(l,m)=(2,2)$



Quadrupole
temperature anisotropy
seen by an electron



Generation of temperature quadrupole

The punch line

- When the Thomson scattering is efficient (i.e., tight coupling between photons and baryons via electrons), the distribution of photons from the rest frame of baryons appears isotropic.
- **Only when tight coupling weakens**, a local quadrupole temperature anisotropy in the rest frame of a photon-baryon fluid can be generated.
- In fact, “a local *temperature anisotropy in the rest frame of a photon-baryon fluid*” is equal to **viscosity**.

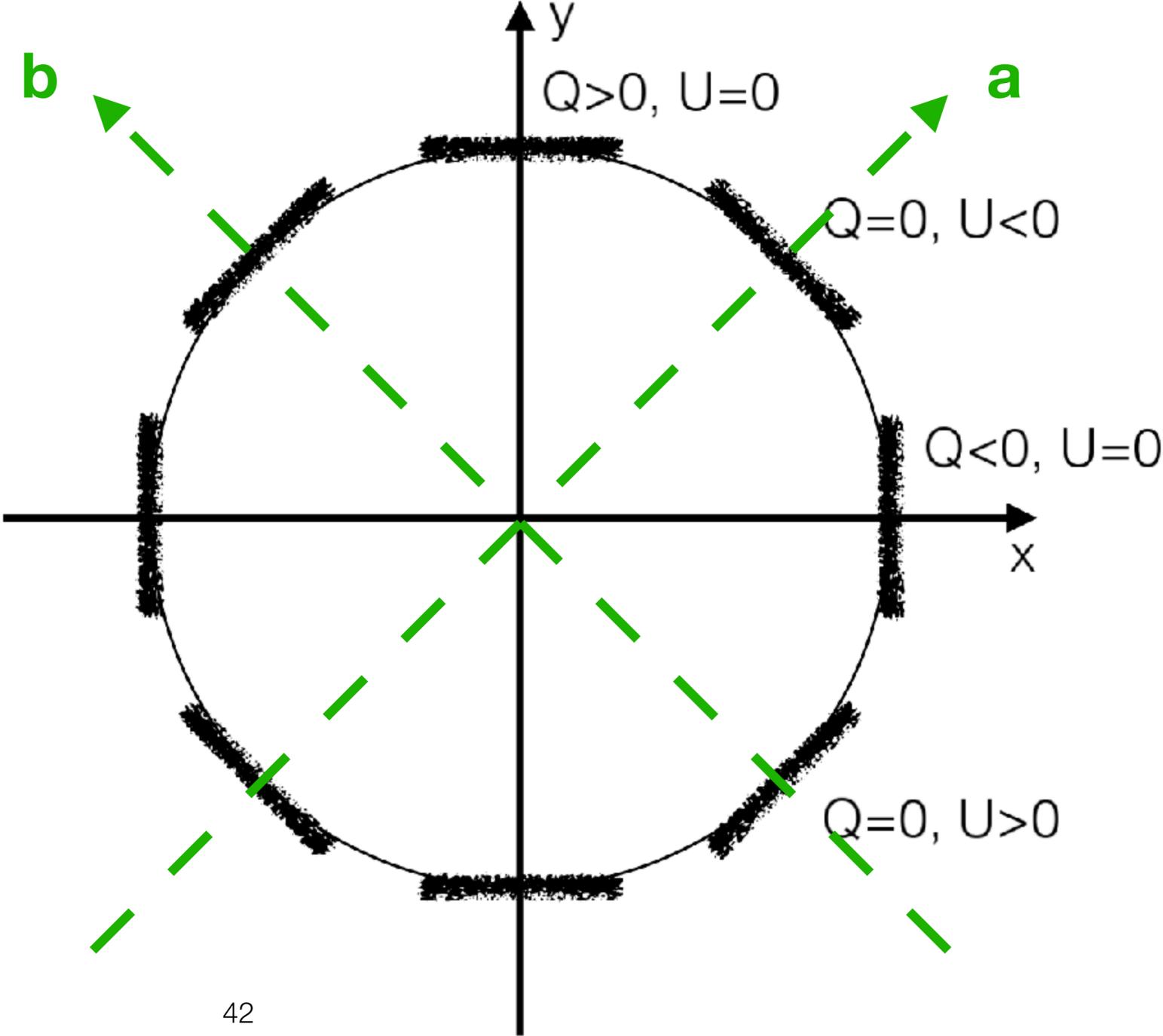
Part III: Stokes Parameters

Stokes Parameters

[Flat Sky, Cartesian coordinates]

$$Q \propto E_x^2 - E_y^2$$

$$U \propto E_a^2 - E_b^2$$



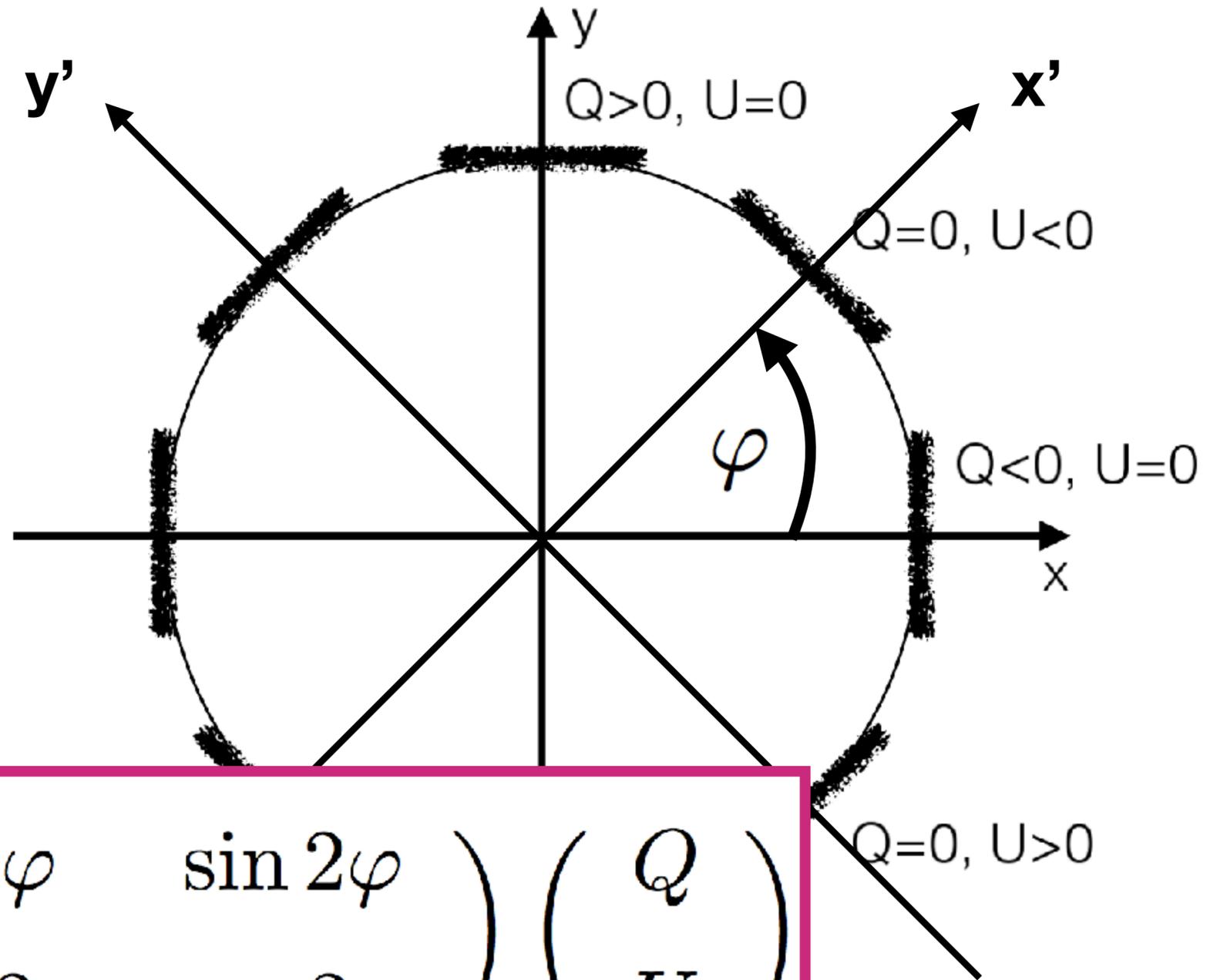
Stokes Parameters

change under coordinate rotation

Under $(x,y) \rightarrow (x',y')$:

$$Q \longrightarrow \tilde{Q}$$

$$U \longrightarrow \tilde{U}$$



$$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{Q} \\ \tilde{U} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos 2\varphi & \sin 2\varphi \\ -\sin 2\varphi & \cos 2\varphi \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Q \\ U \end{pmatrix}$$

Compact Expression

- Using an imaginary number, write $Q + iU$

Then, under the coordinate rotation we have

$$\tilde{Q} + i\tilde{U} = \exp(-2i\varphi)(Q + iU)$$

$$\tilde{Q} - i\tilde{U} = \exp(2i\varphi)(Q - iU)$$

Alternative Expression

- With the polarisation amplitude, P , and angle, α , defined by

$$P \equiv \sqrt{Q^2 + U^2}, \quad U/Q \equiv \tan 2\alpha$$

We write

$$Q + iU = P \exp(2i\alpha)$$

- **Then, under coordinate rotation we have**

$$\tilde{\alpha} = \alpha - \varphi$$

and P is invariant under rotation.

Help!

- That Q and U depend on coordinates is not very convenient...
 - Someone said, “*I measured Q!*” but then someone else may say, “*No, it’s U!*”. They fight to death, only to realise that their coordinates are 45 degrees rotated from one another...
- The best way to avoid this unfortunate fight is to define a **coordinate-independent quantity** for the distribution of polarisation patterns in the sky

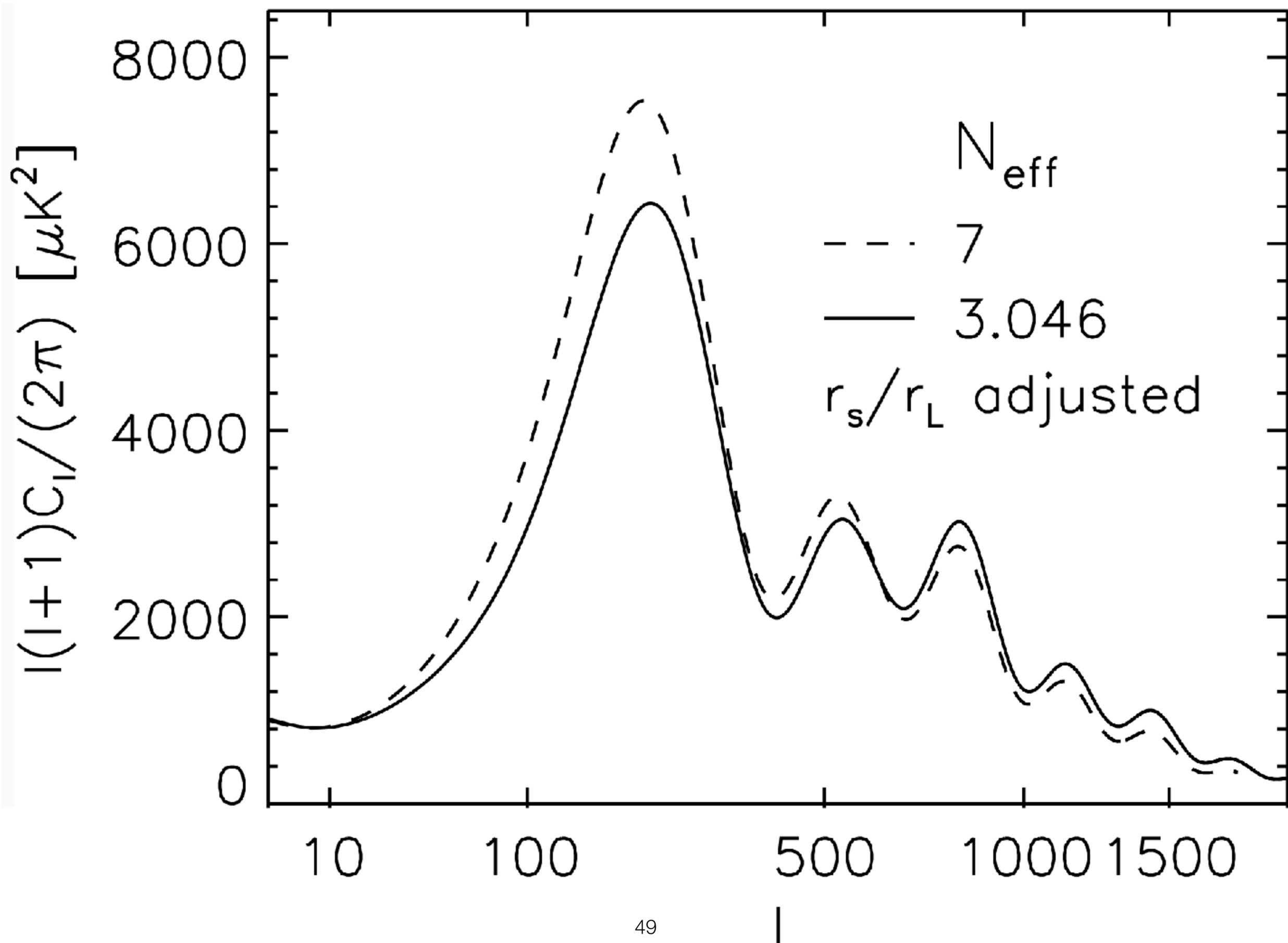
To achieve this, we need
to go to Fourier space

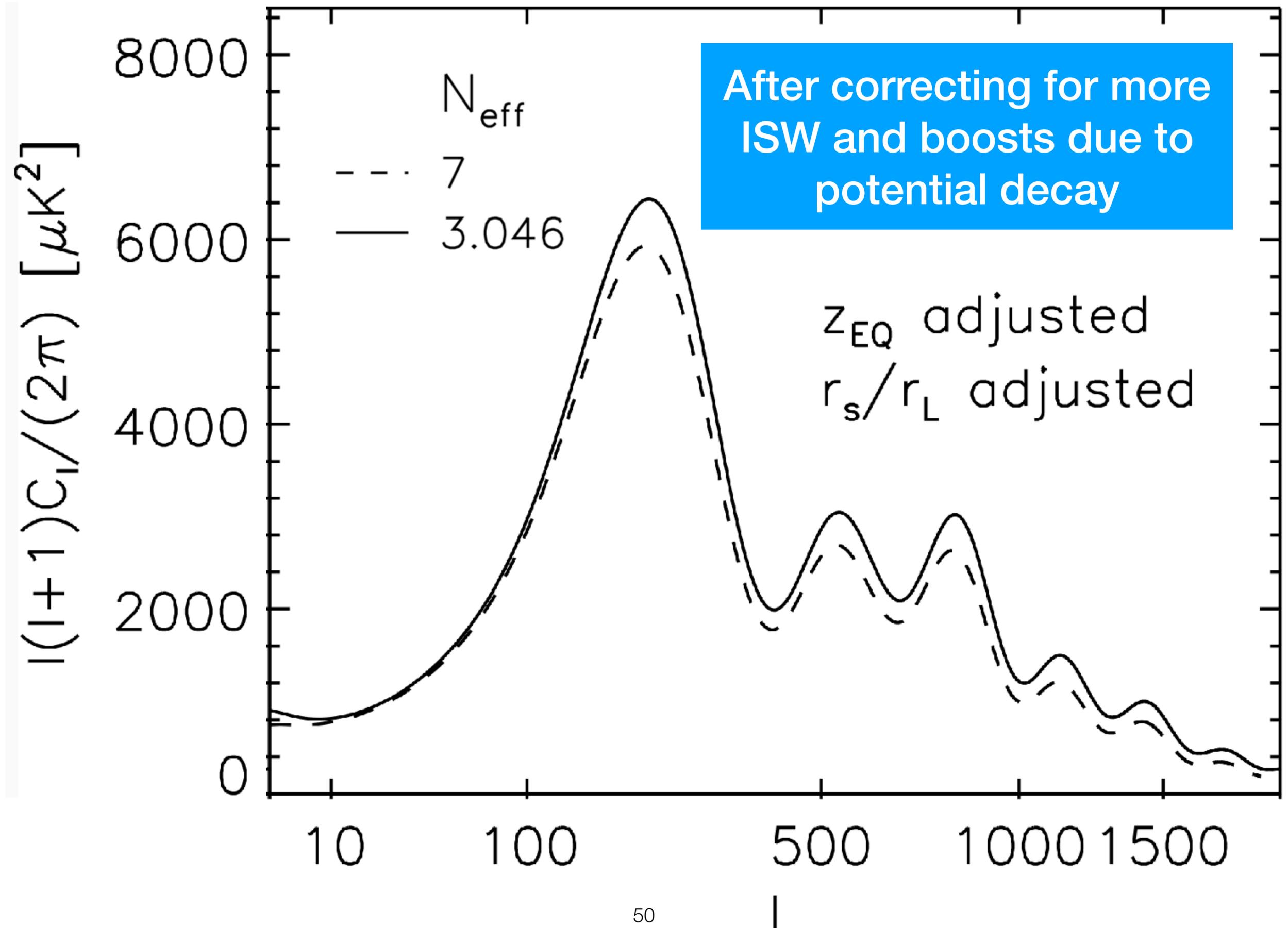
Appendix: Effects of Neutrinos on the Temperature Power Spectrum

The Effects of Relativistic Neutrinos

- To see the effects of relativistic neutrinos, we artificially increase the number of neutrino species from 3 to 7
- Great energy density in neutrinos, i.e., greater energy density in radiation

(1) • Longer radiation domination -> More ISW and boosts due to potential decay





(2): Viscosity Effect on the Amplitude of Sound Waves

The solution is

$$X = -C \cos(\varphi + \theta)$$

where

$$C \equiv \sqrt{(-\zeta + \Delta A_\nu)^2 + \Delta B_\nu^2}$$

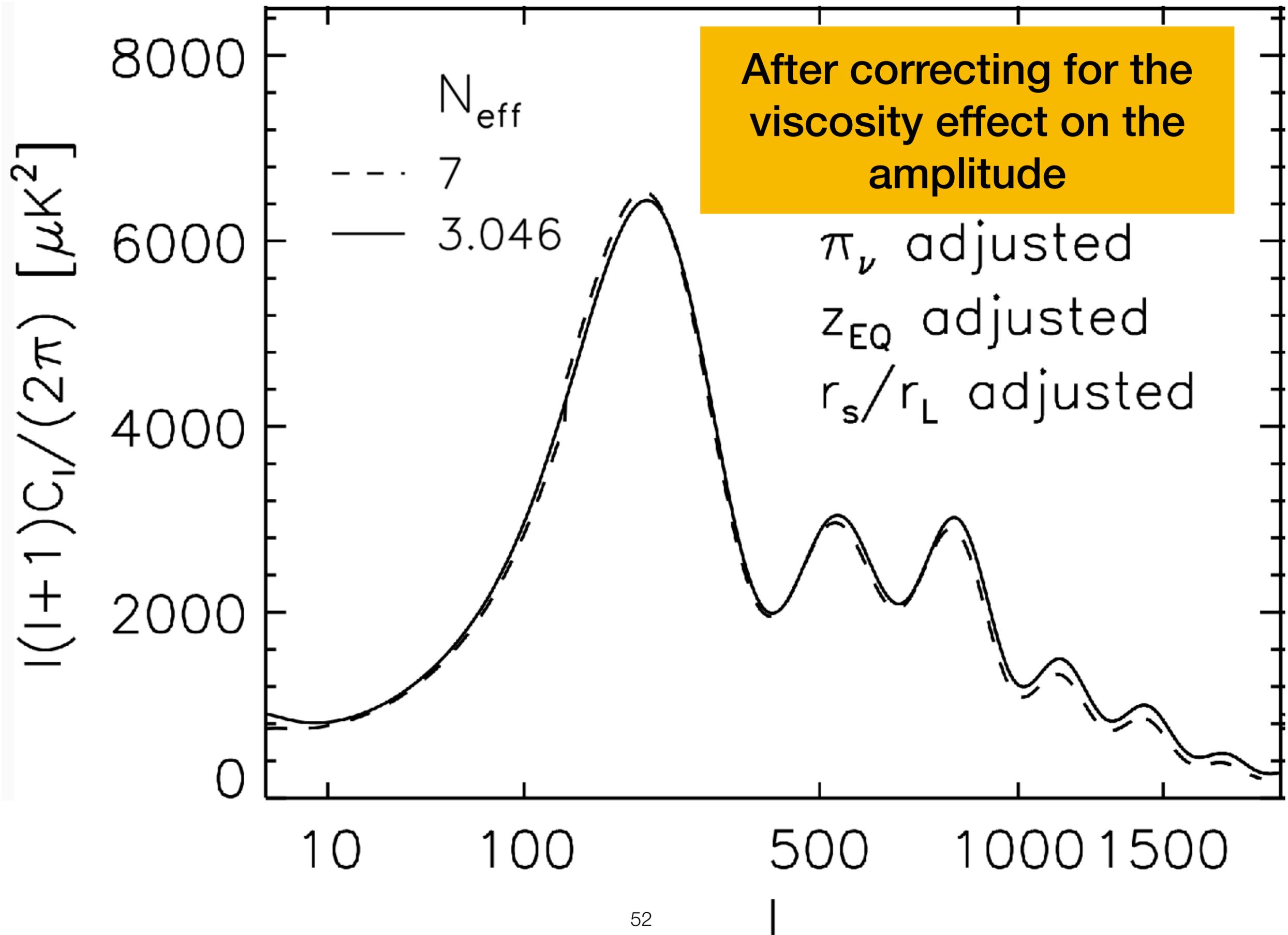
$$\approx \zeta \left(1 + 4R_\nu/15\right)^{-1}$$

Hu & Sugiyama (1996)

$$\tan \theta = -\frac{\Delta B_\nu}{-\zeta + \Delta A_\nu} \approx 0.063\pi \quad \text{Phase shift!}$$

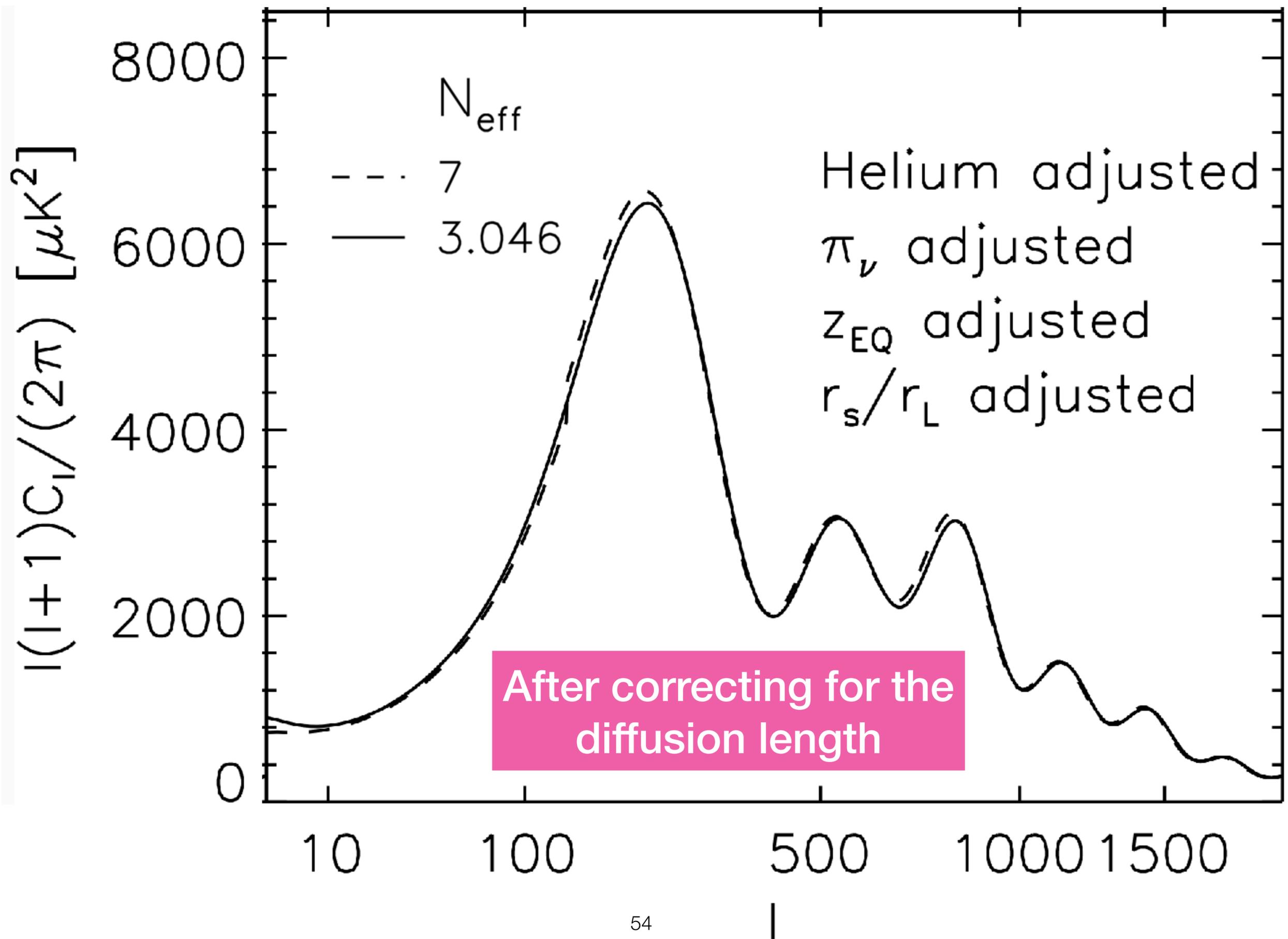
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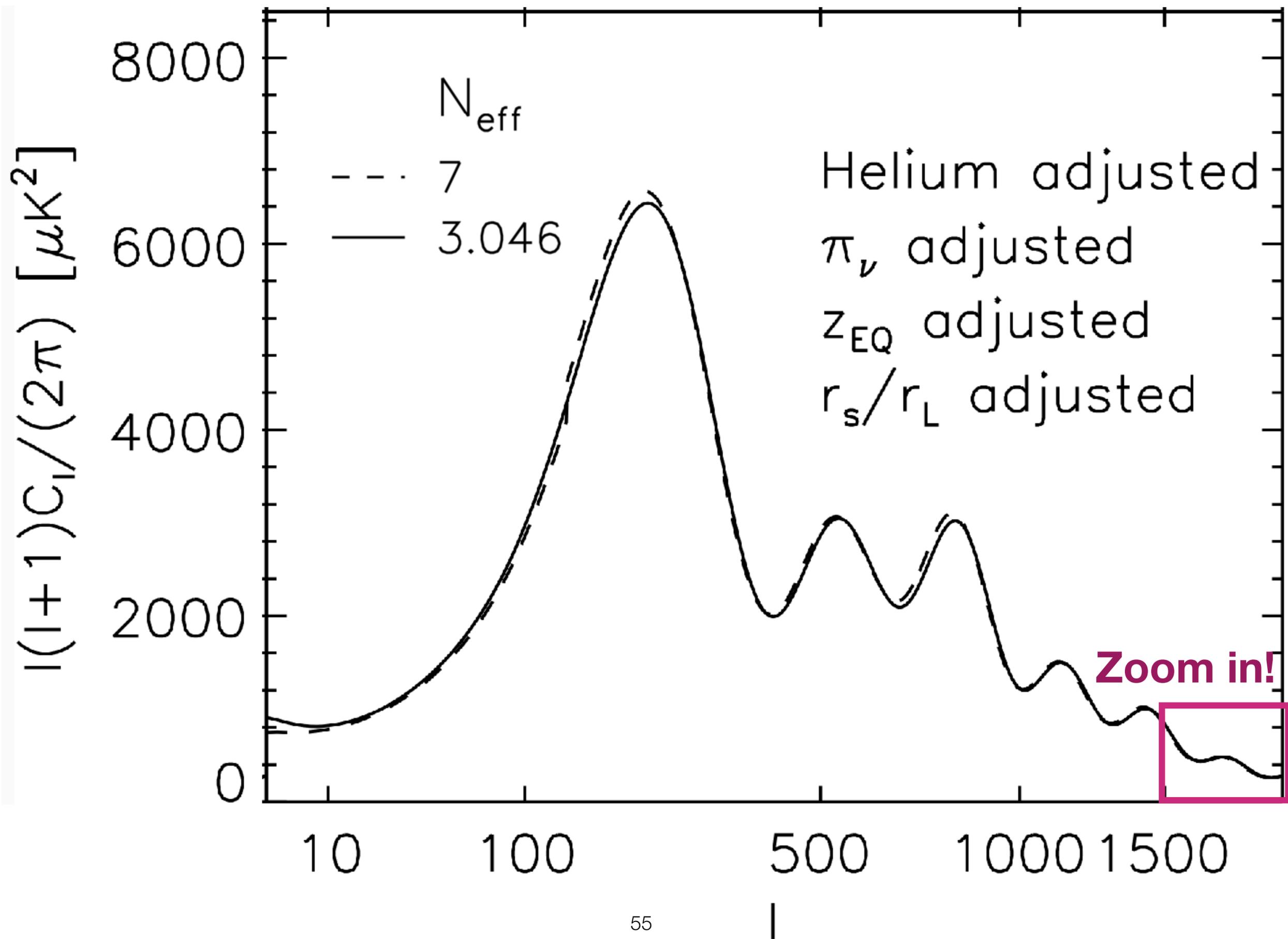
$$R_\nu \equiv \bar{\rho}_\nu / (\bar{\rho}_\gamma + \bar{\rho}_\nu) \approx 0.409$$

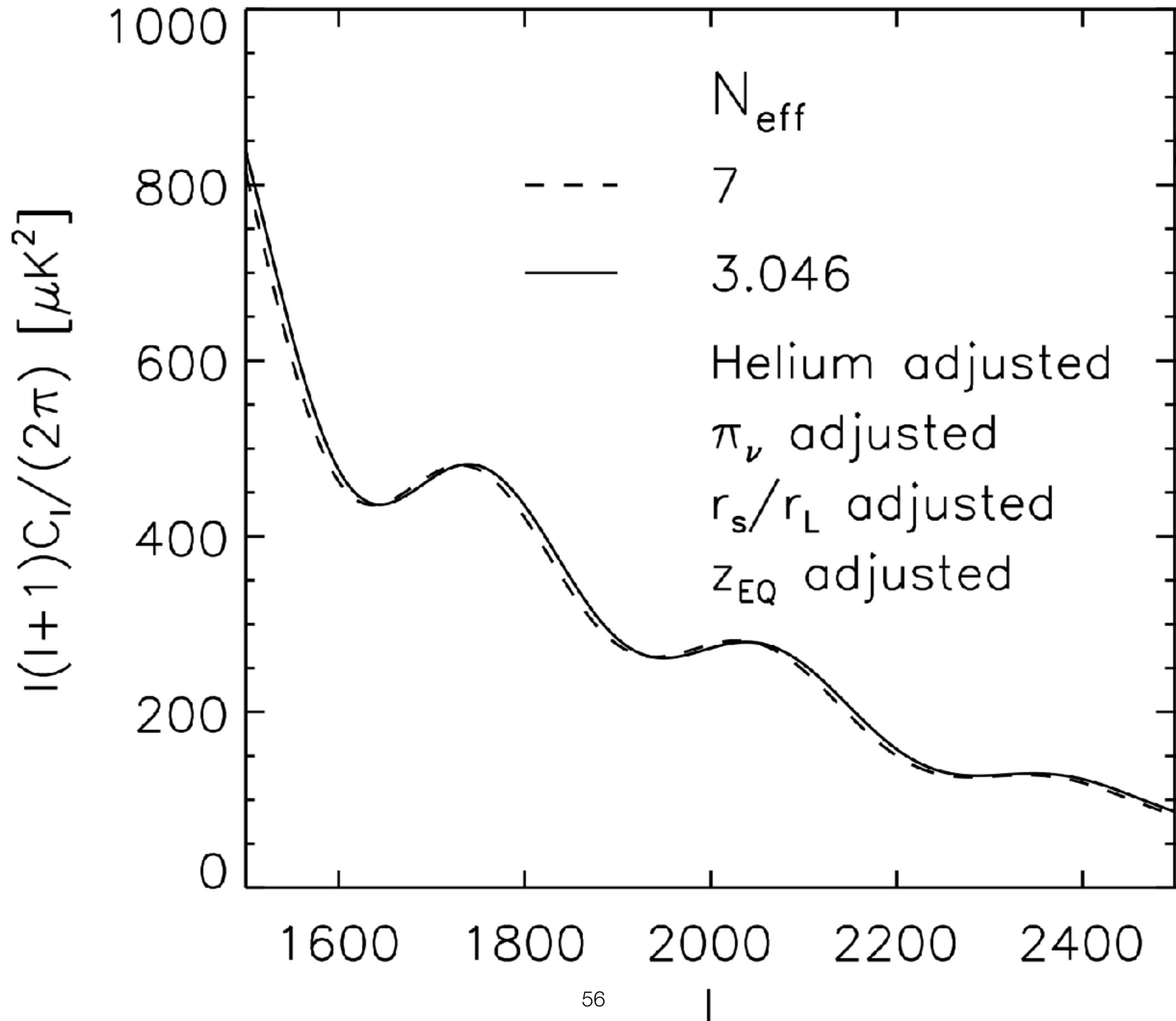


(3): Change in the Silk Damping

- Greater neutrino energy density implies greater Hubble expansion rate, $H^2 = 8\pi G \sum \rho_\alpha / 3$
- This **reduces** the sound horizon in proportion to H^{-1} , as $r_s \sim c_s H^{-1}$
- This also reduces the diffusion length, but in proportional to $H^{-1/2}$, as $a/q_{\text{silk}} \sim (\sigma_T n_e H)^{-1/2}$ **Consequence of the random walk!**
- As a result, l_{silk} **decreases relative to the first peak position**, enhancing the Silk damping







(4): Viscosity Effect on the Phase of Sound Waves

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$$\approx \zeta (1 + 4R_\nu/15)^{-1} \quad \text{Hu \& Sugiyama (1996)}$$

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