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#### References

• General References

Basics: Kolb & Turner, Early Universe

Radiation: Dodelson, Modern Cosmology

Matter: Binney & Tremaine, Galactic Dynamics

# **Boltzmann Equation**

- Particle distribution is generally described by the phase space distribution function for each polarization (spin) state f<sub>a</sub>(x, q, η), where x is the comoving position and q is the particle momentum
- Spatial number density is the integral over all momentum states  $(\hbar = 1)$

$$n_a = \int \frac{d^3q}{(2\pi)^3} f_a$$

- Boltzmann equation describes the evolution of the distribution function under gravity and collisions
- Zeroth, first moments of the Boltzmann equation are simply the covariant conservation equations
- Higher moments provide the closure condition to the conservation law (specification of stress tensor)

# **Boltzmann Equation**

- Second moment: anisotropic stress tensor
   Radiation the quadrupole anisotropy of the distribution
   Matter the kinetic energy tensor (shear, velocity dispersion tensor)
- For radiation higher moments mainly describe the simple geometry of source projection
- For matter higher moments (including second) small due to low thermal and bulk velocities same behavior as perfect fluid
- Differences with perfect fluid appear in the second moment since collisionless particles can have multiple streams in the same spatial position

# Liouville Equation

- In absence of scattering, the phase space distribution of photons is conserved along the propagation path
- Rewrite variables in terms of the particle propagation direction
   q = q n̂, so f<sub>a</sub>(x, n̂, q, η) and

$$\frac{d}{d\eta}f_a(\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{n}}, q, \eta) = 0$$
$$= \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial\eta} + \frac{d\mathbf{x}}{d\eta} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial\mathbf{x}} + \frac{d\hat{\mathbf{n}}}{d\eta} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial\hat{\mathbf{n}}} + \frac{dq}{d\eta} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial q}\right)f_a$$

• For simplicity, assume spatially flat universe K = 0 then  $d\hat{\mathbf{n}}/d\eta = 0$  and  $d\mathbf{x} = \hat{\mathbf{n}}d\eta$ 

$$\dot{f}_a + \hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \nabla f_a + \dot{q} \frac{\partial}{\partial q} f_a = 0$$

## Correspondence to Einstein Eqn.

• Geodesic equation gives the redshifting term

$$\frac{\dot{q}}{q} = -\frac{\dot{a}}{a} - \frac{1}{2}n^i n^j \dot{H}_{Tij} - \dot{H}_L + n^i \dot{B}_i - \hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \nabla A$$

which is incorporated in the conservation and gauge transformation equations

• Stress energy tensor involves integrals over the distribution function summed over polarization (spin) states

$$T^{\mu\nu} = \sum_{a} \int \frac{d^{3}q}{(2\pi)^{3}} \frac{q^{\mu}q^{\nu}}{E} f_{a}$$

• Components are simply the low order angular moments of the distribution function

## Perfect Fluid

• Compare with the stress tensor of a perfect fluid

 $T^{\mu}_{\ \nu} = (\rho + p)U^{\mu}U_{\nu} + p\delta^{\mu}_{\ \nu}$ 

- Anisotropic stress tensor of perfect fluid also related to the tensor constructed out of the 4-momentum
- However now there is no phase space distribution that allows multiple streams at a given point in space only a single bulk velocity
- Differences in the density evolution will appear as soon as particle trajectories cross fluid shocks and collisonless particles pass through each other

### Scalar Field

- Scalar field (with arbitrary kinetic term) can be recast as a perfect fluid
- Given a Lagrangian  $\mathcal{L}$  with a kinetic term

$$X = -\frac{1}{2} \nabla_{\mu} \phi \nabla^{\mu} \phi$$

the stress tensor is

$$T^{\mu}_{\ \nu} = \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial X} \nabla^{\mu} \phi \nabla_{\nu} \phi + \mathcal{L} \delta^{\mu}_{\ \nu}$$

and we can associate a pressure  $p = \mathcal{L}$  and a fluid velocity

$$U_{\mu} = \frac{\nabla_{\mu}Q}{(2X)^{1/2}}$$

#### Scalar Field

• Canonical scalar field cannot work as dark matter given its large sound speed (in comoving slicing)  $\delta p/\delta \rho = 1$ . Here

$$\mathcal{L} = X - V$$

• Attempts to unify dark matter and dark energy through a single scalar field must overcome the fact that such matter behaves as a perfect fluid, e.g.

$$\mathcal{L} = C(X - X_{\min})^2$$

• Exception: the axion where  $\phi$  varies as  $e^{imt}$  and multiple stream info can be stored in the phase

$$\mathcal{L} = X - m^2 \phi - V_0$$

## Radiation Angular Moments

• Define the angularly dependent temperature perturbation

$$\Theta(\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{n}}, \eta) = \frac{1}{4\rho_{\gamma}} \int \frac{q^3 dq}{2\pi^2} (f_a + f_b) - 1$$

and likewise for the linear polarization states  ${\cal Q}$  and  ${\cal U}$ 

• Decompose into normal modes: plane waves for spatial part and spherical harmonics for angular part

$$G_{\ell}^{m}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{n}}) \equiv (-i)^{\ell} \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{2\ell+1}} Y_{\ell}^{m}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}) \exp(i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x})$$
$${}_{\pm 2}G_{\ell}^{m}(\mathbf{k}, \mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{n}}) \equiv (-i)^{\ell} \sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{2\ell+1}} {}_{\pm 2}Y_{\ell}^{m}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}) \exp(i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x})$$

• In a spatially curved universe generalize the plane wave part

#### Normal Modes

• Temperature and polarization fields

$$\Theta(\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{n}}, \eta) = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \sum_{\ell m} \Theta_\ell^{(m)} G_\ell^m$$
$$[Q \pm iU](\mathbf{x}, \hat{\mathbf{n}}, \eta) = \int \frac{d^3k}{(2\pi)^3} \sum_{\ell m} [E_\ell^{(m)} \pm iB_\ell^{(m)}]_{\pm 2} G_\ell^m$$

For each k mode, work in coordinates where k || z and so m = 0 represents scalar modes, m = ±1 vector modes, m = ±2 tensor modes, |m| > 2 vanishes. Since modes add incoherently and Q±iU is invariant up to a phase, rotation back to a fixed coordinate system is trivial.

#### Scalar, Vector, Tensor

• Normalization of modes is chosen so that the lowest angular mode for scalars, vectors and tensors are normalized in the same way as the mode function

$$G_0^0 = Q^{(0)} \quad G_1^0 = n^i Q_i^{(0)} \quad G_2^0 \propto n^i n^j Q_{ij}^{(0)}$$
$$G_1^{\pm 1} = n^i Q_i^{(\pm 1)} \quad G_2^{\pm 1} \propto n^i n^j Q_{ij}^{(\pm 1)}$$
$$G_2^{\pm 2} = n^i n^j Q_{ij}^{(\pm 2)}$$

where recall

$$Q^{(0)} = \exp(i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x})$$

$$Q_i^{(\pm 1)} = \frac{-i}{\sqrt{2}} (\hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 \pm i\hat{\mathbf{e}}_2)_i \exp(i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x})$$

$$Q_{ij}^{(\pm 2)} = -\sqrt{\frac{3}{8}} (\hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 \pm i\hat{\mathbf{e}}_2)_i (\hat{\mathbf{e}}_1 \pm i\hat{\mathbf{e}}_2)_j \exp(i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x})$$

## **Geometrical Projection**

- Main content of Liouville equation is purely geometrical and describes the projection of inhomogeneities into anisotropies
- Spatial gradient term hits plane wave:

$$\hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \nabla e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}} = i\hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \mathbf{k}e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}} = i\sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{3}}kY_1^0(\hat{\mathbf{n}})e^{i\mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}}$$

• Dipole term adds to angular dependence through the addition of angular momentum

$$\sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{3}}Y_1^0 Y_\ell^m = \frac{\kappa_\ell^m}{\sqrt{(2\ell+1)(2\ell-1)}}Y_{\ell-1}^m + \frac{\kappa_{\ell+1}^m}{\sqrt{(2\ell+1)(2\ell+3)}}Y_{\ell+1}^m$$

where  $\kappa_{\ell}^{m} = \sqrt{\ell^{2} - m^{2}}$  is given by Clebsch-Gordon coefficients.

# Temperature Hierarchy

• Absorb recoupling of angular momentum into evolution equation for normal modes

$$\dot{\Theta}_{\ell}^{(m)} = k \left[ \frac{\kappa_{\ell}^{m}}{2\ell + 1} \Theta_{\ell-1}^{(m)} - \frac{\kappa_{\ell+1}^{m}}{2\ell + 3} \Theta_{\ell+1}^{(m)} \right] - \dot{\tau} \Theta_{\ell}^{(m)} + S_{\ell}^{(m)}$$

where  $S_{\ell}^{(m)}$  are the gravitational (and later scattering sources; added scattering suppression of anisotropy)

- An originally isotropic  $\ell = 0$  temperature perturbation will eventually become a high order anisotropy by "free streaming" or simple projection
- Original CMB codes solved the full hierarchy equations out to the  $\ell$  of interest.

# **Integral Solution**

- Hierarchy equation simply represents geometric projection, exactly as we have seen before in the projection of temperature perturbations on the last scattering surface
- In general, the solution describes the decomposition of the source  $S_{\ell}^{(m)}$  with its local angular dependence as seen at a distance  $\mathbf{x} = D\hat{\mathbf{n}}$ .
- Proceed by decomposing the angular dependence of the plane wave

$$e^{i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}} = \sum_{\ell} (-i)^{\ell} \sqrt{4\pi(2\ell+1)} j_{\ell}(kD) Y_{\ell}^{0}(\hat{\mathbf{n}})$$

• Recouple to the local angular dependence of  $G_{\ell}^m$ 

$$G_{\ell_s}^m = \sum_{\ell} (-i)^{\ell} \sqrt{4\pi (2\ell+1)} \alpha_{\ell_s \ell}^{(m)}(kD) Y_{\ell}^m(\hat{\mathbf{n}})$$

## **Integral Solution**

• Projection kernels:

$$\ell_s = 0, \quad m = 0 \qquad \qquad \alpha_{0\ell}^{(0)} \equiv j_\ell$$
$$\ell_s = 1, \quad m = 0 \qquad \qquad \alpha_{1\ell}^{(0)} \equiv j'_\ell$$

• Integral solution:

$$\frac{\Theta_{\ell}^{(m)}(k,\eta_0)}{2\ell+1} = \int_0^{\eta_0} d\eta e^{-\tau} \sum_{\ell_s} S_{\ell_s}^{(m)} \alpha_{\ell_s\ell}^{(m)}(k(\eta_0-\eta))$$

• Power spectrum:

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$$C_{\ell} = \frac{2}{\pi} \int \frac{dk}{k} \sum_{m} \frac{k^3 \langle \Theta_{\ell}^{(m)*} \Theta_{\ell}^{(m)} \rangle}{(2\ell+1)^2}$$

• Solving for  $C_{\ell}$  reduces to solving for the behavior of a handful of sources

## **Polarization Hiearchy**

• In the same way, the coupling of a gradient or dipole angular momentum to the spin harmonics leads to the polarization hiearchy:

$$\dot{E}_{\ell}^{(m)} = k \left[ \frac{2\kappa_{\ell}^{m}}{2\ell - 1} E_{\ell-1}^{(m)} - \frac{2m}{\ell(\ell+1)} B_{\ell}^{(m)} - \frac{2\kappa_{\ell+1}^{m}}{2\ell + 3} \right] - \dot{\tau} E_{\ell}^{(m)} + \mathcal{E}_{\ell}^{(m)}$$
$$\dot{B}_{\ell}^{(m)} = k \left[ \frac{2\kappa_{\ell}^{m}}{2\ell - 1} B_{\ell-1}^{(m)} + \frac{2m}{\ell(\ell+1)} B_{\ell}^{(m)} - \frac{2\kappa_{\ell+1}^{m}}{2\ell + 3} \right] - \dot{\tau} E_{\ell}^{(m)} + \mathcal{B}_{\ell}^{(m)}$$

where  $_{2}\kappa_{\ell}^{m} = \sqrt{(\ell^{2} - m^{2})(\ell^{2} - 4)/\ell^{2}}$  is given by the Clebsch-Gordon coefficients and  $\mathcal{E}$ ,  $\mathcal{B}$  are the sources (scattering only).

• Note that for vectors and tensors |m| > 0 and B modes may be generated from E modes by projection. Cosmologically  $\mathcal{B}_{\ell}^{(m)} = 0$ 

## **Polarization Integral Solution**

• Again, we can recouple the plane wave angular momentum of the source inhomogeneity to its local angular dependence directly

$$\frac{E_{\ell}^{(m)}(k,\eta_0)}{2\ell+1} = \int_0^{\eta_0} d\eta e^{-\tau} \mathcal{E}_{\ell_s}^{(m)} \epsilon_{\ell_s \ell}^{(m)}(k(\eta_0 - \eta))$$
$$\frac{B_{\ell}^{(m)}(k,\eta_0)}{2\ell+1} = \int_0^{\eta_0} d\eta e^{-\tau} \mathcal{E}_{\ell_s}^{(m)} \beta_{\ell_s \ell}^{(m)}(k(\eta_0 - \eta))$$

• The only source to the polarization is from the quadrupole anisotropy so we only need  $\ell_s = 2$ , e.g. for scalars

$$\epsilon_{2\ell}^{(0)}(x) = \sqrt{\frac{3}{8} \frac{(\ell+2)!}{(\ell-2)!}} \frac{j_\ell(x)}{x^2} \qquad \beta_{2\ell}^{(0)} = 0$$

# **Truncated Hierarchy**

- CMBFast uses the integral solution and relies on a fast  $j_{\ell}$  generator
- However sources are not external to system and are defined through the Boltzmann hierarchy itself
- Solution: recall that we used this technique in the tight coupling regime by applying a closure condition from tight coupling
- CMBFast extends this idea by solving a truncated hierarchy of equations, e.g. out to  $\ell = 25$  with non-reflecting boundary conditions

## Thomson Collision Term

• Full Boltzmann equation

$$\frac{d}{d\eta}f_{a,b} = C[f_a, f_b]$$

- Collision term describes the scattering out of and into a phase space element
- Thomson collision based on differential cross section

$$\frac{d\sigma}{d\Omega} = \frac{3}{8\pi} |\hat{\mathbf{E}}' \cdot \hat{\mathbf{E}}|^2 \sigma_T \,,$$

where  $\hat{\mathbf{E}}'$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{E}}$  denote the incoming and outgoing directions of the electric field or polarization vector.

# Scattering Calculation

- Start in the electron rest frame and in a coordinate system fixed by the scattering plane, spanned by incoming and outgoing directional vectors - n̂' · n̂ = cos β, where β is the scattering angle
- $\Theta_{\parallel}$ : in-plane polarization state;  $\Theta_{\perp}$ :  $\perp$ -plane polarization state
- Transfer probability (constant set by  $\dot{\tau}$ )

$$\Theta_{\parallel} \propto \cos^2 \beta \, \Theta_{\parallel}', \qquad \Theta_{\perp} \propto \Theta_{\perp}'$$

• and with the  $45^{\circ}$  axes as

$$\hat{\mathbf{E}}_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\hat{\mathbf{E}}_{\parallel} + \hat{\mathbf{E}}_{\perp}), \qquad \hat{\mathbf{E}}_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\hat{\mathbf{E}}_{\parallel} - \hat{\mathbf{E}}_{\perp})$$

#### **Stokes Parameters**

• Define the temperature in this basis

$$\Theta_{1} \propto |\hat{\mathbf{E}}_{1} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{E}}_{1}|^{2} \Theta_{1}' + |\hat{\mathbf{E}}_{1} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{E}}_{2}|^{2} \Theta_{2}'$$

$$\propto \frac{1}{4} (\cos \beta + 1)^{2} \Theta_{1}' + \frac{1}{4} (\cos \beta - 1)^{2} \Theta_{2}'$$

$$\Theta_{2} \propto |\hat{\mathbf{E}}_{2} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{E}}_{2}|^{2} \Theta_{2}' + |\hat{\mathbf{E}}_{2} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{E}}_{1}|^{2} \Theta_{1}'$$

$$\propto \frac{1}{4} (\cos \beta + 1)^{2} \Theta_{2}' + \frac{1}{4} (\cos \beta - 1)^{2} \Theta_{1}'$$

or  $\Theta_1 - \Theta_2 \propto \cos \beta (\Theta_1' - \Theta_2')$ 

• Define  $\Theta$ , Q, U in the scattering coordinates

$$\Theta \equiv \frac{1}{2}(\Theta_{\parallel} + \Theta_{\perp}), \quad Q \equiv \frac{1}{2}(\Theta_{\parallel} - \Theta_{\perp}), \quad U \equiv \frac{1}{2}(\Theta_{1} - \Theta_{2})$$

### Scattering Matrix

• Transfer of Stokes states, e.g.

$$\Theta = \frac{1}{2}(\Theta_{\parallel} + \Theta_{\perp}) \propto \frac{1}{4}(\cos^2\beta + 1)\Theta' + \frac{1}{4}(\cos^2\beta - 1)Q'$$

• Transfer matrix of Stokes state  $\mathbf{T} \equiv (\Theta, Q + iU, Q - iU)$ 

 $\mathbf{T} \propto \mathbf{S}(\beta) \mathbf{T}'$ 

$$\mathbf{S}(\beta) = \frac{3}{4} \begin{pmatrix} \cos^2 \beta + 1 & -\frac{1}{2} \sin^2 \beta & -\frac{1}{2} \sin^2 \beta \\ -\frac{1}{2} \sin^2 \beta & \frac{1}{2} (\cos \beta + 1)^2 & \frac{1}{2} (\cos \beta - 1)^2 \\ -\frac{1}{2} \sin^2 \beta & \frac{1}{2} (\cos \beta - 1)^2 & \frac{1}{2} (\cos \beta + 1)^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

normalization factor of 3 is set by photon conservation in scattering

## Scattering Matrix

• Transform to a fixed basis, by a rotation of the incoming and outgoing states  $\mathbf{T} = \mathbf{R}(\psi)\mathbf{T}$  where

$$\mathbf{R}(\psi) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{-2i\psi} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & e^{2i\psi} \end{pmatrix}$$

giving the scattering matrix

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{R}(-\gamma)\mathbf{S}(\beta)\mathbf{R}(\alpha) &= \\ \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\frac{4\pi}{5}} \begin{pmatrix} Y_2^0(\beta,\alpha) + 2\sqrt{5}Y_0^0(\beta,\alpha) & -\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}Y_2^{-2}(\beta,\alpha) & -\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}Y_2^2(\beta,\alpha) \\ -\sqrt{6}_2Y_2^0(\beta,\alpha)e^{2i\gamma} & 3_2Y_2^{-2}(\beta,\alpha)e^{2i\gamma} & 3_2Y_2^2(\beta,\alpha)e^{2i\gamma} \\ -\sqrt{6}_{-2}Y_2^0(\beta,\alpha)e^{-2i\gamma} & 3_{-2}Y_2^{-2}(\beta,\alpha)e^{-2i\gamma} & 3_{-2}Y_2^2(\beta,\alpha)e^{-2i\gamma} \end{pmatrix} \end{split}$$

## Addition Theorem for Spin Harmonics

• Spin harmonics are related to rotation matrices as

$${}_{s}Y_{\ell}^{m}(\theta,\phi) = \sqrt{\frac{2\ell+1}{4\pi}}\mathcal{D}_{-ms}^{\ell}(\phi,\theta,0)$$

Note: for explicit evaluation sign convention differs from usual (e.g. Jackson) by  $(-1)^m$ 

• Multiplication of rotations

$$\sum_{m''} \mathcal{D}^{\ell}_{mm''}(\alpha_2, \beta_2, \gamma_2) \mathcal{D}^{\ell}_{m''m}(\alpha_1, \beta_1, \gamma_1) = \mathcal{D}^{\ell}_{mm'}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$$

• Implies

$$\sum_{m} {}_{s_1} Y_{\ell}^{m*}(\theta',\phi') {}_{s_2} Y_{\ell}^m(\theta,\phi) = (-1)^{s_1-s_2} \sqrt{\frac{2\ell+1}{4\pi}} {}_{s_2} Y_{\ell}^{-s_1}(\beta,\alpha) e^{is_2\gamma}$$

# Sky Basis

• Scattering into the state (rest frame)

$$C_{\rm in}[\mathbf{T}] = \dot{\tau} \int \frac{d\hat{\mathbf{n}}'}{4\pi} \mathbf{R}(-\gamma) \mathbf{S}(\beta) \mathbf{R}(\alpha) \mathbf{T}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}'),$$
  
$$= \dot{\tau} \int \frac{d\hat{\mathbf{n}}'}{4\pi} (\Theta', 0, 0) + \frac{1}{10} \dot{\tau} \int d\hat{\mathbf{n}}' \sum_{m=-2}^{2} \mathbf{P}^{(m)}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}, \hat{\mathbf{n}}') \mathbf{T}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}').$$

where the quadrupole coupling term is  $\mathbf{P}^{(m)}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}, \hat{\mathbf{n}}') =$ 

$$\begin{pmatrix} Y_{2}^{m*}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}') Y_{2}^{m}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}) & -\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} {}_{2}Y_{2}^{m*}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}') Y_{2}^{m}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}) & -\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} {}_{-2}Y_{2}^{m*}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}') Y_{2}^{m}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}) \\ -\sqrt{6}Y_{2}^{m*}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}') {}_{2}Y_{2}^{m}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}) & 3 {}_{2}Y_{2}^{m*}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}') {}_{2}Y_{2}^{m}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}) & 3 {}_{-2}Y_{2}^{m*}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}') {}_{2}Y_{2}^{m}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}) \\ -\sqrt{6}Y_{2}^{m*}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}') {}_{-2}Y_{2}^{m}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}) & 3 {}_{2}Y_{2}^{m*}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}') {}_{-2}Y_{2}^{m}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}) & 3 {}_{-2}Y_{2}^{m*}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}') {}_{-2}Y_{2}^{m}(\hat{\mathbf{n}}) \end{pmatrix},$$

expression uses angle addition relation above. We call this term  $C_Q$ .

# Scattering Matrix

• Full scattering matrix involves difference of scattering into and out of state

$$C[\mathbf{T}] = C_{\rm in}[\mathbf{T}] - C_{\rm out}[\mathbf{T}]$$

• In the electron rest frame

$$C[\mathbf{T}] = \dot{\tau} \int \frac{d\hat{\mathbf{n}}'}{4\pi} (\Theta', 0, 0) - \dot{\tau}\mathbf{T} + C_Q[\mathbf{T}]$$

which describes isotropization in the rest frame. All moments have  $e^{-\tau}$  suppression except for isotropic temperature  $\Theta_0$ . Transformation into the background frame simply induces a dipole

term

$$C[\mathbf{T}] = \dot{\tau} \left( \hat{\mathbf{n}} \cdot \mathbf{v}_b + \int \frac{d\hat{\mathbf{n}}'}{4\pi} \Theta', 0, 0 \right) - \dot{\tau} \mathbf{T} + C_Q[\mathbf{T}]$$

#### Source Terms

• Temperature source terms  $S_l^{(m)}$  (rows  $\pm |m|$ ; flat assumption

$$\begin{pmatrix} \dot{\tau}\Theta_{0}^{(0)} - \dot{H}_{L}^{(0)} & \dot{\tau}v_{b}^{(0)} + \dot{B}^{(0)} & \dot{\tau}P^{(0)} - \frac{2}{3}\dot{H}_{T}^{(0)} \\ 0 & \dot{\tau}v_{b}^{(\pm 1)} + \dot{B}^{(\pm 1)} & \dot{\tau}P^{(\pm 1)} - \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}\dot{H}_{T}^{(\pm 1)} \\ 0 & 0 & \dot{\tau}P^{(\pm 2)} - \dot{H}_{T}^{(\pm 2)} \end{pmatrix}$$

where

$$P^{(m)} \equiv \frac{1}{10} (\Theta_2^{(m)} - \sqrt{6} E_2^{(m)})$$

• Polarization source term

$$\mathcal{E}_{\ell}^{(m)} = -\dot{\tau}\sqrt{6}P^{(m)}\delta_{\ell,2}$$
$$\mathcal{B}_{\ell}^{(m)} = 0$$