The **colored words** are important. They are the words you need to write on your note sheet!

The Big Bang

Part 2

Evidence for the Big Bang

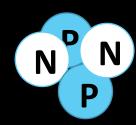
- There are 3 Big Pieces of Evidence for the Big Bang Theory:
- A. Background Radiation: An echo from the Big Bang
- B. Abundance of Elements: The large amount of Hydrogen and Helium in outer space
- C. Redshift: The distance and movement of galaxies

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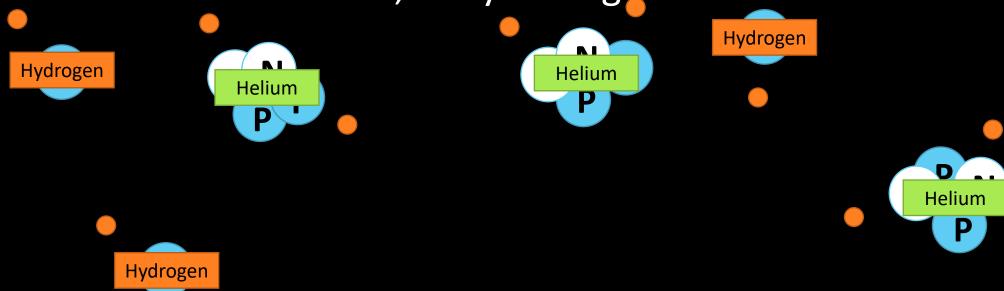








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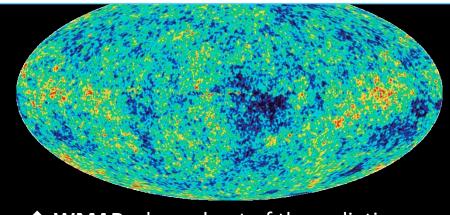
- The process of atom formation released an incredible burst of energy.
- This energy released billions of degrees of heat.

- Scientists hypothesized that the temperature was so hot that the universe is STILL cooling.
- They estimated that the burst of energy was so powerful that it left an echo or fingerprint behind.

- In 1964, Penzias and Wilson accidentally discovered **the echo**!
- They worked on a very sensitive radio telescope. The telescope picked up unexplainable radio static.
- It was later concluded that the static was an echo from the Big Bang.



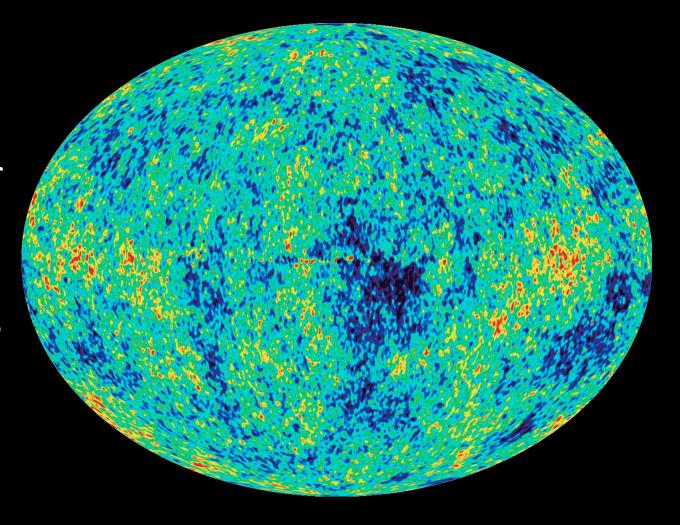
Arno Penzias (1933) and Robert Wilson (1936)



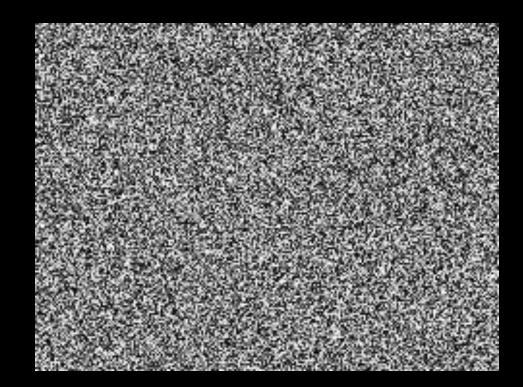
↑ WMAP- shows heat of the radiation

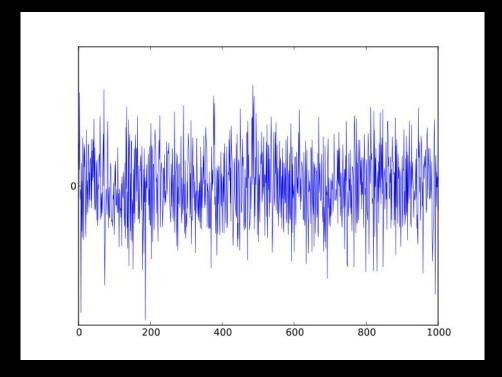
This is called the W-Map.

It is a map of the left over radiation from the Big Bang. It shows the temperature of the entire universe.



• A small fraction of the static you <u>hear on the radio</u> and see on the TV is an echo from the Big Bang!

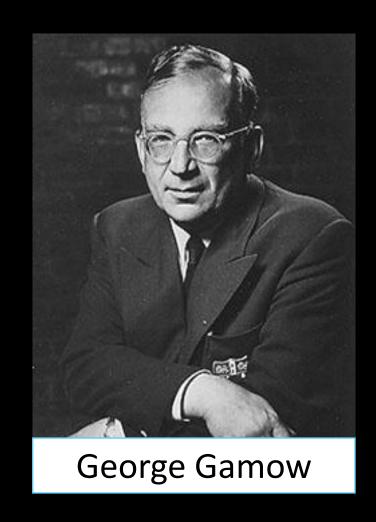




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Gamow hypothesized that the heat and energy of the Big Bang created all of the **Hydrogen and Helium** in the Universe.

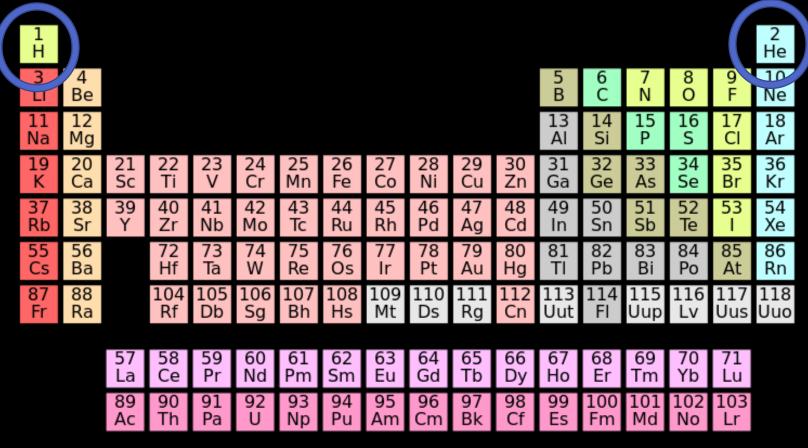
He also helped prove that today 99% of the Universe is made of Hydrogen and Helium



B. Abundance of H and He

It makes sense that most of the universe is Hydrogen and Helium, because these two atoms are the **smallest** and would have been the

easiest to build.



B. Abundance of Elements

- Think: What are some things that have Hydrogen ("H") in them?
- Write: Make a list of substances that have Hydrogen in them.

<u>All</u> of the hydrogen on our class list of compounds was formed just after the Big Bang!

C. The Distance of Galaxies

- Most galaxies are moving away from Earth
- Galaxies that are farther away are moving faster
- The universe is expanding!

C. The Distance of Galaxies

• If all galaxies are moving away from each other now, then they must have been **closer together** a long time ago.



C. Distance of Galaxies

Sir Edwin Hubble



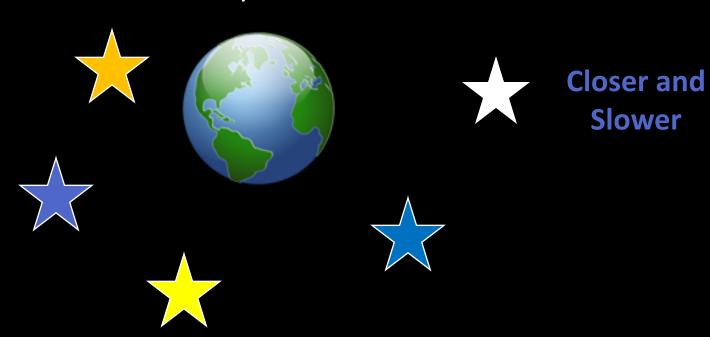
- •Discovered that most galaxies are moving away from earth.
- •Proposed that if all matter in space is moving away now, then it must have all started moving from the same spot...HUBBLE'S LAW!

Farther and Faster

C. Distance of Galaxies

The stars moving the fastest are the farthest away. (The distance of the star is proportional to its redshift).





C. Distance of Galaxies

 How do scientists know that most galaxies are moving away from Earth?

The Doppler Effect