

# In search of Global 21 cm signal using Artificial Neural Network in light of EDGES and ARCADE 2

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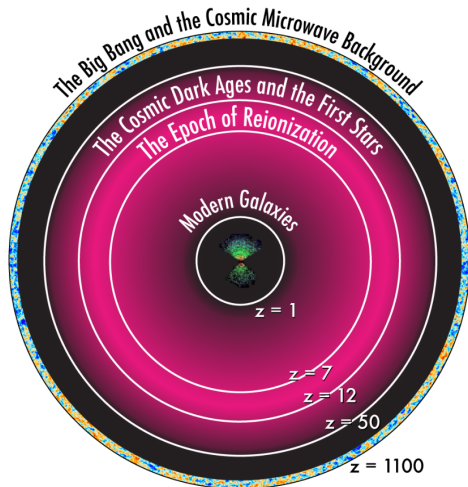
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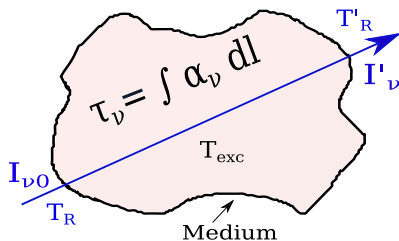


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- The 21 cm signal appears to be a treasure trove to study physics during cosmic dawn and reionization.
- The 21 cm line has been actively used to trace the neutral hydrogen in Milky Way for more than seven decades.



- Differential brightness temperature:



$$\delta T_B = T'_R - T_R$$

$$\frac{dl_{\nu}}{dl} = j_{\nu} - \alpha_{\nu} l_{\nu} \xrightarrow[\mathcal{I}_{\nu} = 2\nu^2 T]{2\pi\nu/T \ll 1} T'_R = T_{\text{exc}} (1 - e^{-\tau_{\nu}}) + T_R e^{-\tau_{\nu}}.$$

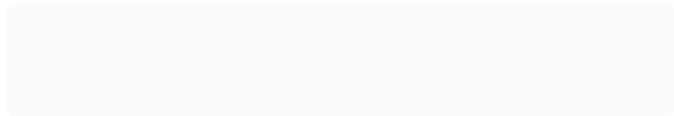
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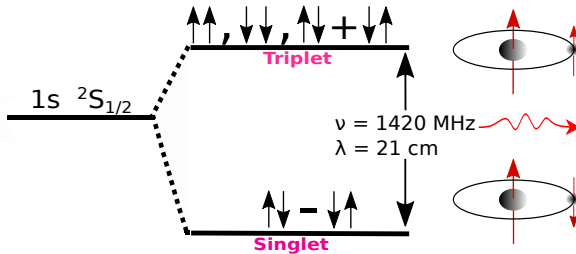
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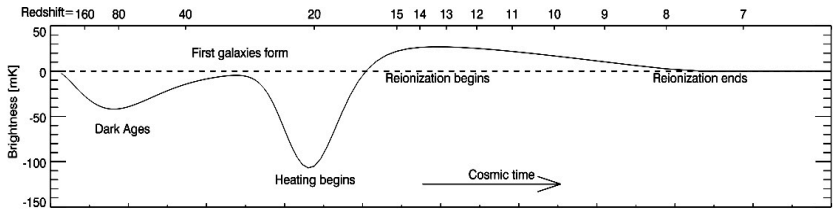
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$$\delta T_B = T_{21} = \frac{T_S - T_R}{1 + z} (1 - e^{-\tau_\nu}), \quad \tau_\nu \approx \frac{3 A_{10} n_{\text{HI}}}{16 \nu_{\text{TS}}^2 H T_S}$$

# 21 cm signal and its evolution

- Absorption/emission in 21 cm line:  $T_{21} \propto (1 - T_R/T_S)$ .
- Below  $z \sim 200$  ( $\Lambda$ CDM):  $T_{\text{gas}} \propto (1 + z)^2$ ,  $T_{\text{CMB}} \propto (1 + z)$ .

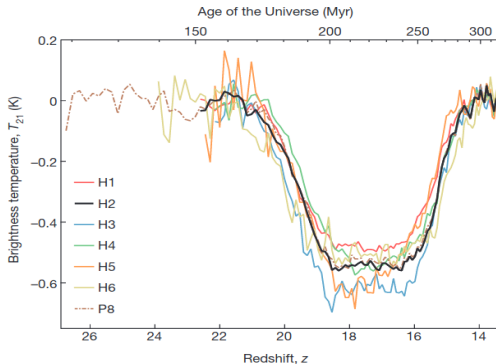


Pritchard & Loeb, Rep. Prog. Phys. 75, 086901 (2012)



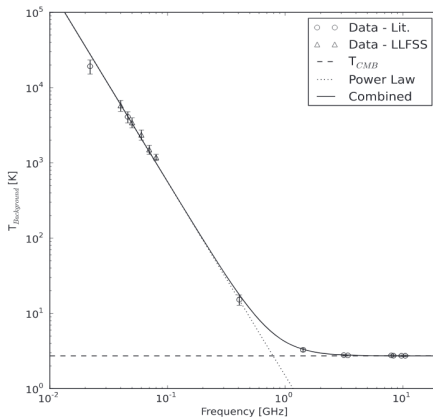
# EDGES low band observation

- In 2018, such an absorption at  $z \sim 17$  has been confirmed by EDGES observation:



- It is centered at  $78 \pm 1$  MHz or  $z = 17.2 \pm 0.2$ . Here,  $\nu_0 = \frac{\nu}{1+z}$  and  $\nu = 1420$  MHz.
- To explain the EDGES anomaly, one requires to enhance  $T_R$  (Radio Background) above  $T_{\text{CMB}}$  or lower  $T_{\text{gas}}$  below 3.2 K at redshift  $\sim 17$ .

# Observations of Excess Radio Background



ARCADE2 (2011) [Fixsen et al., APJ, 11]; LWA1 (2018) [Dowell et al., APJL, 18]

# Observations of Excess Radio Background

- ARCADE 2 observed Excess: 3-10 GHz
  - Combining ARCADE 2 with other Low-frequency data gives excess in the range of 22 MHz–10 GHz.
- Also supported by LWA-1 in range: 40-80 MHz.
- This excess radio radiation can also explain the EDGES anomaly.
- There are several theoretical models to explain this excess at CD, for e.g., axion-photon conversion & synchrotron radiation from electron in the presence of IGM MFs, radiative decays of relic neutrinos, accretion onto the first intermediate-mass BHs, etc.
- The excess radiation can be modelled as:<sup>1</sup>

$$T_R = T_{\text{CMB}} (1 + z) \left[ 1 + A_r \left( \frac{\nu_{\text{obs}}}{78 \text{ MHz}} \right)^\beta \right],$$

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<sup>1</sup>Fialkov & Barkana, MNRAS 486, 1763 (2019)

# IGM in the presence of Excess Radio and X-ray heating

- IGM gas temperature evolution:

$$\frac{dT_{\text{gas}}}{dz} = 2 \frac{T_{\text{gas}}}{1+z} + \frac{\Gamma_c}{(1+z)H} (T_{\text{gas}} - T_{\text{CMB}})$$

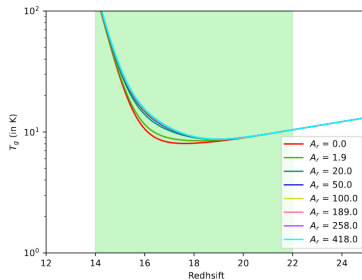
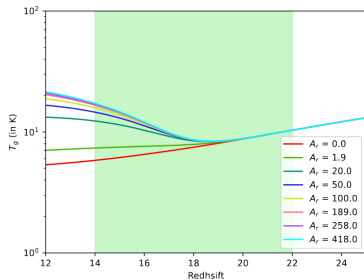
- Inclusion of first stars effect<sup>2</sup>:

$$+ \left. \frac{dT_{\text{gas}}}{dz} \right|_{\text{x-ray}} - \frac{\Gamma_R}{(1+z)(1+f_{\text{He}}+X_e)}; \Gamma_R = X_{\text{HI}} \frac{A_{10}}{2H} X_R \left[ \frac{T_R}{T_S} - 1 \right] T_{10}.$$

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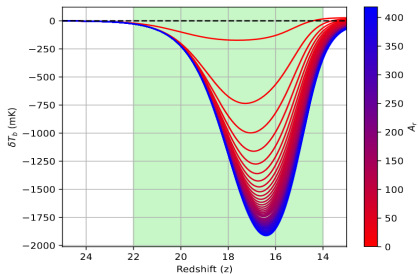
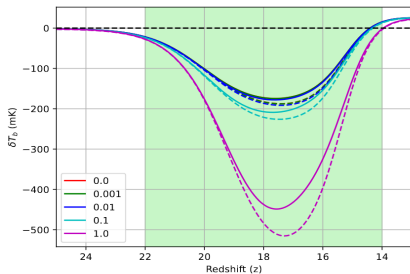
<sup>2</sup>Venumadhav et al., PRD 98, 103513 (2018).

# IGM gas temperature evolution for different cases



- Increases excess radiation fraction ( $A_r$ ) above 100, does not significantly change the  $T_{\text{gas}}$ .
- Because  $\Gamma_R \propto (T_R/T_S - 1) \sim T_R/T_S$
- Coupling between  $T_{\text{gas}}$  and  $T_S$  are  $\propto 1/T_R$ .

# Global 21 cm signal for different cases



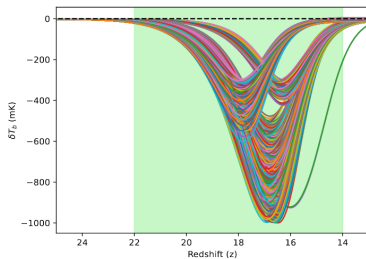
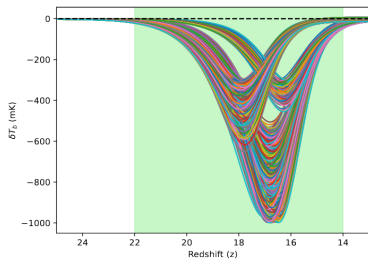
$$x_{\alpha} = x_{\text{ref}} \left( 1 + \tanh \left\{ (x_{z0} - z) / x_{dz} \right\} \right)$$

$$T_{\text{xray}} = T_{\text{ref}} \left( 1 + \tanh \left\{ (T_{z0} - z) / T_{dz} \right\} \right)$$

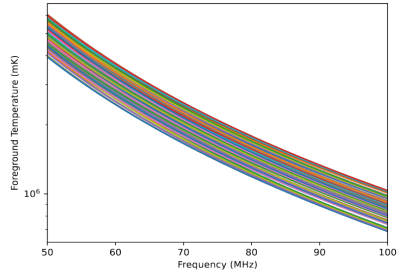
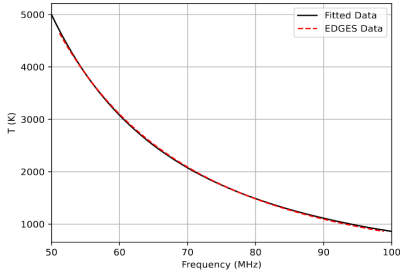


$$T_{\text{FG}}(\nu) \approx \left(\frac{\nu}{\nu_0}\right)^{-2.5} [b_0 + b_1 \ln(\nu/\nu_0) + b_2 (\ln(\nu/\nu_0))^2 + b_3 (\nu/\nu_0)^{-2} + b_4 (\nu/\nu_0)^{0.5}] \text{K}$$

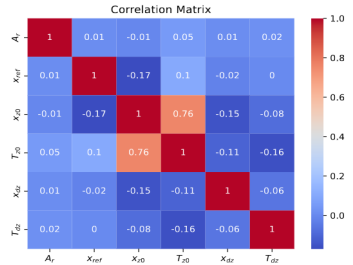
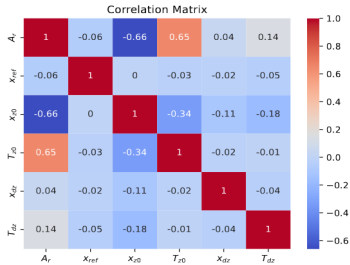
# 21 cm data for machine training



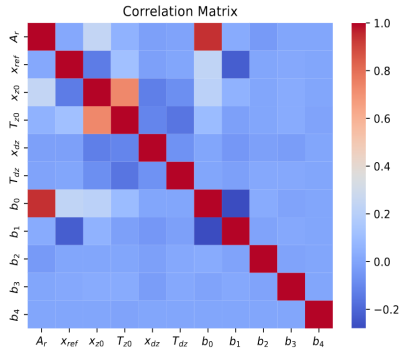
# Inclusion of foreground



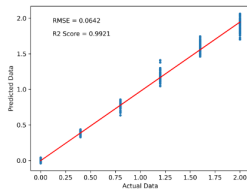
# Pearson correlation in IGM parameters



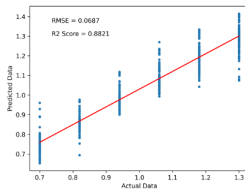
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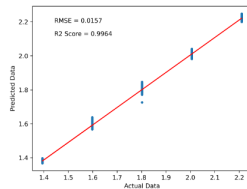
# Prediction of parameters with RMSE and R2 score



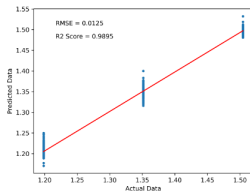
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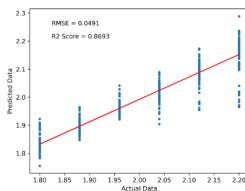
(b)  $x_{\text{ref}}/100$



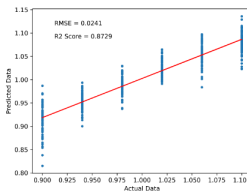
(c)  $x_{z0}$



(d)  $T_{z0}$



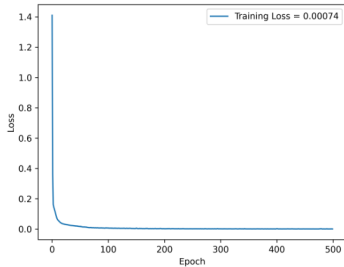
(e)  $x_{dz}$



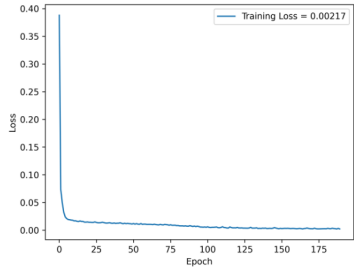
(f)  $T_{dz}$

**Figure 11.** Each plot above shows the prediction of the aforementioned parameters with RMSE and R2 score assigned in the absence of the VDKZ18.

# Loss while training



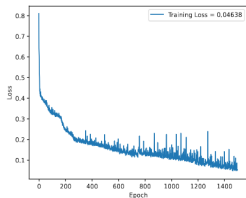
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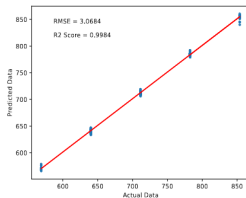
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**Figure 9.** Variation of the model loss during the training process, where (a) in the presence of the VDKZ18 and (b) in the absence of the VDKZ18

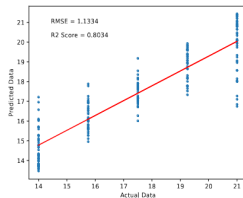
# Model loss & prediction of parameters with RMSE and R2 score



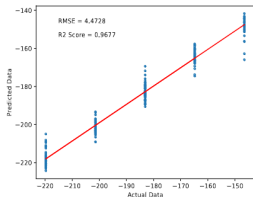
(a) Model Loss with epoch



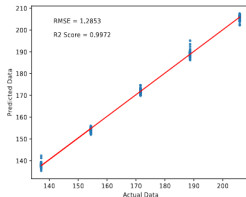
(b)  $b_0$



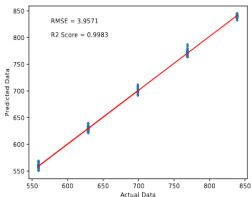
(c)  $b_1$



(d)  $b_2$



(e)  $b_3$



(f)  $b_4$



## Summary & conclusion

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# Summary and conclusion

- The signal can provide a good insight into the period when the galaxies and first stars formed.
- We generated synthetic data by resolving the typical cosmological equations
- The accuracy of one of our estimations is evaluated by examining the RMSE and R2 scores for each case
- As far as our understanding goes, most authors have employed Markow Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC), nested sampling, or similar methods for parameter space sampling.
- As ANN (Artificial Neural Network) and MCMC have different methodologies, we cannot directly compare their speed.

## Summary and conclusion

- However, ANN offers the advantage of bypassing the requirement of computing the likelihood function multiple times to derive inferred parameter values.
- Thus, when dealing with a higher dimensional parameter space, ANN is computationally more efficient and faster.
- In future works, we wish to include energy injection terms linking directly to the first star's astrophysical properties, instrument response and contamination model to make the NN more robust.
- Also, we intend to apply this concept and algorithm to more realistic data, like EDGES, SARAS 3, SKA, etc.

Thank You!

# A brief introduction to evolution of our Universe

$10^{-32}$  seconds

1 second

100 seconds

380 000 years

300–500 million years

Billions of years

13.8 billion years

Beginning  
of the  
Universe



## Inflation

Accelerated expansion  
of the Universe

## Formation of light and matter

## Light and matter are coupled

Dark matter evolves  
independently: it starts  
clumping and forming  
a web of structures

## Light and matter separate

- Protons and electrons  
form atoms
- Light starts travelling  
freely: it will become the  
Cosmic Microwave  
Background (CMB)

## Dark ages

Atoms start feeling  
the gravity of the  
cosmic web of dark  
matter

## First stars

The first stars and  
galaxies form in the  
densest knots of the  
cosmic web

## Galaxy evolution

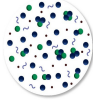
## The present Universe



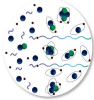
- Tiny fluctuations:  
the seeds of future  
structures
- Gravitational waves?



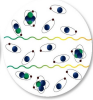
Frequent collisions  
between normal matter  
and light



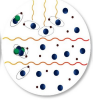
As the Universe expands,  
particles collide less  
frequently



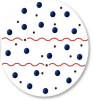
Last scattering of  
light off electrons  
→ **Polarisation**



The Universe is dark as  
stars and galaxies are  
yet to form



Light from first stars and  
galaxies breaks atoms  
apart and "reionises"  
the Universe



Light can interact  
again with electrons  
→ **Polarisation**

Image credits: European Space Agency (ESA)

# Collisional & Ly $\alpha$ coupling coefficients

- The collisional coupling coefficient<sup>3</sup>,

$$x_c = \frac{P_{TS}^C}{P_{TS}^R} = \frac{T_{10}}{T_R A_{10}} \times (N_H k_{10}^{HH} + N_e k_{10}^{He} + N_p k_{10}^{Hp}), \quad P_{TS}^R = \left(1 + \frac{T_R}{T_{10}}\right) A_{10}$$

- $k_{10}^{ij}$  scattering rate between  $i$  &  $j$  particles
- After the inclusion of x-ray and VDKZ18 heating effects, the gas temperature remains  $> 10$  K.
- Therefore, we can take (for  $10 \text{ K} < T_{\text{gas}} < 10^3 \text{ K}$ ),

$$k_{10}^{HH} \approx 3.1 \times 10^{-11} (T_{\text{gas}}/\text{K})^{0.357} \exp(-32 \text{ K}/T_{\text{gas}}) \text{ cm}^3/\text{sec}$$

- WF coupling coefficient:  $x_\alpha = T_{10}/(T_R A_{10}) \times 4P_\alpha/27$ ,  $P_\alpha$  scattering rate of Ly $\alpha$  photons<sup>4</sup>. Einstein coefficient:  $A_{10} = 2.85 \times 10^{-15} \text{ sec}^{-1}$

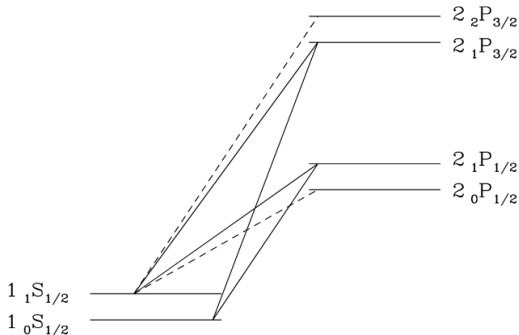
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<sup>4</sup>Wouthuysen S. A., ApJ, 57, 31 (1952). Field G. B., Proc. IRE, 46, 240 (1958).

# Collisional & Ly $\alpha$ coupling coefficients

- WF coupling<sup>5</sup>:



- we consider  $x_\alpha = 2A_\alpha(z) \times (T_0/T_R)$ , step height  $A_\alpha = 100$ , pivot redshift  $z_{\alpha 0} = 17$  &  $\Delta z_\alpha = 2$ ,  $A_i(z) = A_i(1 + \tanh[(z_{i0} - z)/\Delta z_i])$ .<sup>6</sup>
- $\{A_X, z_{X0}, \Delta z_X\} = \{1000 \text{ K}, 12.75, 1\}$ ,  $\{A_{xe}, z_{xe}, \Delta z_{xe}\} = \{1, 9, 3\}$ .

<sup>5</sup>Furlanetto et al., Phys. Rept. 433 (2006) 181-301.

<sup>6</sup>Kovetz et al., PRD 98, 103529 (2018); Mirocha et al., ApJ. 813, 11 (2015); Harker et al., MNRAS, 455, 3829 (2016).

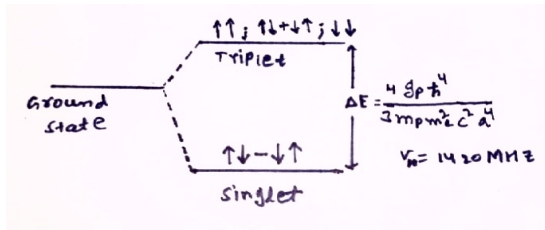
# Frequencies and wavelengths

Category	Range of Wavelengths (nm)	Range of Frequencies (Hz)
gamma rays	$< 1$	$> 3 \times 10^{17}$
X-rays	1–10	$3 \times 10^{16} - 3 \times 10^{17}$
ultraviolet light	10–400	$7,5 \times 10^{14} - 3 \times 10^{16}$
visible light	400–700	$4,3 \times 10^{14} - 7,5 \times 10^{14}$
infrared	700– $10^5$	$3 \times 10^{12} - 4,3 \times 10^{14}$
microwave	$10^5 - 10^8$	$3 \times 10^9 - 3 \times 10^{12}$
radio waves	$> 10^8$	$< 3 \times 10^9$

$$\text{Ly}\alpha = 2.47 \times 10^9 \text{ MHz}$$



# 21-cm signal and spin temperature



$$\frac{dn_0}{dt} = -n_0 P_{01}^c + n_1 P_{10}^c,$$

- $P_{01}^c$  &  $P_{10}^c$  are excitation and deexcitation coefficients.
- In the equilibrium,  $\frac{n_1}{n_0} = \frac{P_{01}^c}{P_{10}^c} \Rightarrow \frac{P_{01}^c}{P_{10}^c} = \frac{g_1}{g_0} \exp \left[ -\frac{2\pi\nu_{10}}{T_{\text{gas}}} \right],$
- $T_S = T_{\text{gas}}$  because in equilibrium  $T_S$  will reach to the  $T_{\text{gas}}$ .
- Planck spectrum,  $B_\nu(T) = \frac{2h\nu^3/c^2}{\exp(h\nu/k_b T) - 1},$  in the Rayleigh-Jeans regime,  $2\pi\nu/T \ll 1, B_\nu(T) = 2\nu^2 T.$

## 21-cm signal and spin temperature

$$I_\nu = S_\nu(1 - e^{-\tau}) + I_{\nu_0} e^{-\tau}$$

- Hydrogen is characterized by  $T_S$ ,  $S_\nu(T) = j_\nu/\alpha_\nu \equiv B_\nu(T_S)$ .  
 $I_{\nu_0} = B_\nu(T_{\text{CMB}})$ .

$$I_\nu(T_B) = I_\nu(T_S)(1 - e^{-\tau}) + I_\nu(T_{\text{CMB}})e^{-\tau},$$

- $T_B$  is final brightness temperature.
- 21 cm differential brightness temperature,  $T_{21} = T_B - T_{B_0}$ .
- $T_{B_0} = T_B(\tau = 0) = T_{\text{CMB}}$ .  $T \propto (1 + z)$ . Therefore, the observed,

$$T_{21} = \frac{T_S - T_{\text{CMB}}}{1 + z} \times (1 - e^{-\tau}).$$

- To find  $\tau$ , write complete eq,

$$\frac{dI_\nu}{dl} = \frac{h\nu_e}{4\pi} \phi(\nu) [n_1 A_{10} + I_\nu n_1 B_{10} - I_\nu n_0 B_{01}].$$

# Hyperfine splitting<sup>(4)</sup>

- Dipole moments of electron and proton<sup>7</sup>:

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}_e = -\frac{(g_e = 2)e}{2m_e} \mathbf{S}_e \quad \& \quad \boldsymbol{\mu}_p = \frac{(g_p = 5.58)e}{2m_p} \mathbf{S}_p.$$

- Magnetic field due to dipole ( $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ ):

$$\mathbf{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi r^3} [3(\boldsymbol{\mu} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{r}}) \hat{\mathbf{r}} - \boldsymbol{\mu}] + \frac{2\mu_0}{3} \boldsymbol{\mu} \delta^3(\mathbf{r}).$$

- Hamiltonian of electron in the presence of Magnetic field due to dipole of proton:

$$H_{\text{HF}} = -\boldsymbol{\mu}_e \cdot \mathbf{B}_p.$$

- Expectation value:

$$E_{\text{HF}} = \frac{4g_p}{3m_p m_e^2 a^4} \times \left| \begin{matrix} +1/4 \\ -3/4 \end{matrix} \right.$$

- Energy gap:  $\Delta E = 5.88 \times 10^{-6} \text{ eV}$
- Corresponding  $\nu = \Delta E/2\pi \simeq 1420.4 \text{ MHz}$  &  $\lambda \simeq 21 \text{ cm}$ .

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<sup>7</sup>Quantum Mechanics by David J. Griffiths