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## Preface

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### Introduction

#### Unveiling the Cosmos

The vast expanse of the cosmos, a celestial ocean teeming with constellations and swirling galaxies, has ignited an unquenchable spark of curiosity within humanity since the dawn of time. This eagerness to understand the universe in which we live has continually driven humankind to uncover the secrets of the cosmos. This endeavor is evident in ancient civilizations that charted constellations, as well as in modern astronomers who peer into the farthest reaches of space. Throughout history, pioneering astronomers like Galileo and Copernicus paved the way for a more tangible understanding of the universe. Eventually, modern cosmology, equipped with powerful telescopes and advanced detectors, has revolutionized our understanding of the universe as a whole, offering a framework for the origin, evolution, and ultimate fate of the universe.



#### From Philosophy to Physics Theories and Observations

The mysterious enigma of the cosmos has been and continues to be a pretense for the clash of ideas, inspiration, and countless arguments throughout human history. For tens of thousands of years, the configuration of stars in the sky has captivated our attention and inspired the creation of constellations from which myths and fictional stories were born, followed by philosophical inquiries essentially defining the philosophy of nature. Subsequently, the introduction of mathematics to simplify these philosophical concepts has opened up the world of physics to humanity. Persistent efforts and the accumulation of unanswered questions have not only compelled humans to observe and monitor the cosmos on larger scales with the advancement of technology but also aimed to interpret and analyze its components. This has been achieved through the processing of numerous mathematical models and the formulation of various theories, which sometimes align and sometimes contradict.

However, despite technical and technological advancements, the definition of the cosmos has been obscured in countless equations, calculations, models, and physics theories, with no clear and powerful unified interpretation provided thus far. Humanity remains at a loss in answering the questions: What is the cosmos? Why does it exist, and where is it headed? This is where the power of intuition and perception from a holistic viewpoint becomes essential for understanding and grasping the philosophy of the why and how of the cosmos. From this perspective, T-Consciousness Cosmology has attempted to unravel the complexities of conventional cosmology and provide a complete, clear, and unified interpretation of the cosmos through new theories. Additionally, this viewpoint addresses all concepts and the nature of what transpires in the cosmos, including Cosmic Information, Cosmic Mind, Cosmic T-Consciousness, and also various forms of Cosmic Life. These topics, however, do not entirely conform to the limited framework of currently accepted theories in physics and cosmology.

## **The Conventional Cosmological Perspective and Common Theories**

### **Big Bang: The universe originated from an ultra-dense and hot point.**

With the advancement of scientific research, the Big Bang theory was eventually established as the dominant cosmological model for the origin of the universe. This theory posits that the cosmos began nearly 13.8 billion years ago from an infinitesimal point with incredibly high density and temperature, known as the singularity. This singularity rapidly expanded and cooled in a fraction of a second, initiating the process of element formation and subsequently the formation of celestial bodies, ultimately leading to the cosmos we observe today.

From the perspective of cosmologists, the Big Bang theory is strongly supported by several key observations. One such observation is the discovery of the Cosmic Microwave Background (CMB). This radiation is considered a faint echo of the early universe, permeating the entire cosmos. In other words, its uniformity across the sky aligns with the predictions of a hot, dense origin of the universe. Additionally, the observed abundance of light elements such as hydrogen and helium in the universe also corresponds with the nuclear synthesis predicted to have occurred following the Big Bang.

### **Standard Model of Cosmology: A Framework for Cosmic Evolution**

Building on the Big Bang theory, the standard model of cosmology (Lambda-CDM) provides another perspective on the universe's initial moments and its evolution, from the formation of fundamental particles to the creation of large structures like galaxies and galaxy clusters. This model incorporates the theory of inflation, a period of rapid exponential expansion believed to have occurred shortly after the Big Bang. The theory addresses the observed uniformity in the large-scale universe and theoretically resolves some of the problems with the Big Bang model. Additionally, the model relies on the existence of dark matter and dark energy, which are considered enigmatic components of the universe. Although invisible, dark matter influences the motion of galaxies and clusters through its gravitational pull. On the other hand, dark energy is believed to be responsible for the currently accelerated expansion of the universe.

### **Unanswered Questions and Ongoing Explorations**

Despite the successes achieved in cosmology, the Big Bang theory and the standard model still face challenges. Questions about how the universe was born, the process of its evolution to its current form, the nature and geometric shape of the cosmos, its ultimate fate, the characteristics of dark matter and dark energy, and the possibility of other universes – along with countless unanswered questions – continue to drive ongoing research. Furthermore, alternative cosmological models such as the steady-state model, etc., are being examined to ensure a comprehensive understanding of the origin and evolution of the universe.

## T-Consciousness Cosmology: A New Perspective on the Universe

Through its novel approach, T-Consciousness Cosmology comprises a collection of theories that examine and analyze topics such as the origin of the universe, its nature, the manner of its evolution, its fate, and hundreds of other theories.

As the name suggests, this viewpoint introduces a unique consciousness known as T-Consciousness. It posits that the universe, in addition to matter and energy, contains another element called T-Consciousness, which differs from definitions previously offered in the history of science or philosophy. From this perspective, it is argued that both matter and energy themselves arise from T-Consciousness.

Furthermore, T-Consciousness Cosmology articulates that the cosmos generally consists of two parts: frequency-based ( $\sim$ ) and non-frequency-based (-):

The frequency-based part of the cosmos describes behavior that is periodic and non-linear, characterized by amplitude and wavelength, such that it has a non-continuous effect on the cosmos (i.e. all known types of waves and ordinary matter).

In contrast, the non-frequency-based part of the cosmos describes non-periodic and linear behavior, where the amplitude and wavelength are zero, and its effects in the cosmos are linear and continuous.

In this regard, for example, it can be said that space, gravity, and time themselves do not have a frequency effect and have a sustained effect on everything. Even if, for a moment, one of these, like gravity, were to exhibit a periodic effect, the entire cosmos would disintegrate. However, it is worth noting that the result of this influence is the emergence of particles (ordinary matter), which exhibit periodic and frequency-based behaviors. Similarly, if time itself were to have a periodic effect, the cosmos would likewise collapse in the same way, despite the fact that we have a periodic method of measurement for time (tick tock of a clock). Therefore, from this perspective, for the most part, the known physical aspect of the cosmos is periodic and frequency-based.

An important point to note is that the linearity of the impact of space, gravity, time, dark matter, and dark energy refers to the inherent influence of these factors in the universe, not the outcome of their effects.

Consequently, the frequency-based part ( $\sim$ ) of the cosmos includes matter and energy, and the non-frequency, non-pulsing part (-) of the cosmos consists of two sections:

A- A section that in conventional cosmology is referred to with different definitions, such as spacetime, dark energy, and dark matter.

B- T-Consciousness, information, mind, life, dark life energy, etc., are parts that do not have specific definitions and are not mentioned in conventional cosmology. While from the viewpoint of T-Consciousness Cosmology, they constitute the main part of the cosmos.

**Important Note:** In T-Consciousness Cosmology, instead of the concept of "space-time," the term "space, gravity-time" is used, in which gravity and time are always proportionally intertwined and inseparable. In fact, the effect of gravity-time is considered as two sides of the same coin. Moreover, considering that if space did not exist, the cosmos would certainly not exist either. Therefore, from this perspective, space is considered a fundamental element of the cosmos, while it is neither matter nor energy. This means the nature of space, as one of the main components of the cosmos, is non-pulsing. This concept also applies to dark energy and dark matter, which this perspective identifies as functions of space itself.

Therefore, T-Consciousness Cosmology states that the structure of the components of the cosmos, such as dark energy and dark matter, is not composed of particles. Additionally, because of its non-pulsing nature, gravity is inherently a non-frequency element. Thus, generally, gravity is also not composed of particles (such as the hypothetical graviton particles in conventional science).

Regarding the non-pulsing nature of gravity or space, it can be noted that physics calculations show that celestial bodies with significant mass or acceleration can disturb spacetime in such a way that it appears as if gravitational waves propagate in all directions. In other words, conventional cosmology predicts that although they differ from each other, gravitational waves resulting from the spinning of neutron stars, the collision of black holes, and supernova explosions can be analyzed. However, T-Consciousness Cosmology defines what is commonly referred to as gravitational waves in physics simply as the squeezing and stretching of space due to the changing behavior of massive bodies in proximity to one another. Therefore, the changes in gravitational behavior caused by massive bodies only lead to the contraction and expansion of space. In simpler terms, gravity has a linear impact on the structure of space, not a wave-like one.

Like gravity, time exerts its influence in a linear fashion on the cosmos and its components, in tandem with gravity. If gravity were zero, time would also be zero. Conversely, if gravity approached infinity, time would similarly become infinite. It is also essential to mention that the type of timekeeping invented by humans (i.e. the ticking of a clock) is completely arbitrary, as time does not have a frequency or pulsing nature.

Consequently, T-Consciousness Cosmology uses "space, gravity-time" instead of the well-known term "spacetime."

### **The Origin and Fate of the Universe**

Existing models in conventional cosmology have not yet provided a widely accepted theory about what existed before the Big Bang or how the various forms of matter and energy known today came into being at the initial moment of the explosion. This issue remains shrouded in ambiguity for cosmologists. In this context, T-Consciousness Cosmology, by introducing a new model named the 'Spherical Cosmos Model,' not only addresses the origin or how the initial seed of the cosmos came into existence, but also acknowledges the expansion of the cosmos and introduces a shell made of TAM (Taheri Absolute Matter), that isolates the cosmos. This model proposes a different foundational mechanism compared to conventional inflationary models and introduces a new concept called 'Space Rebound' to explain the increase in the volume of the cosmos. In fact, the theories of this viewpoint support each other in the understanding of the structure of the universe as a whole system, making simple predictions about the behavior of the cosmos. Moreover, T-Consciousness Cosmology, by addressing the nature of dark matter and dark energy and their functions, determines the cause of the cosmic expansion and its ultimate fate. Additionally, in line with the Spherical Cosmos Model (SCM), a new theory about another stage of the lifecycle of the cosmos, referred to as its 'Reversion,' is also proposed.

## **The Nature of the Building Blocks of the Cosmos**

T-Consciousness Cosmology, in addition to addressing the general behavior of the cosmos, also explores the formation and function of its components, introducing new types of matter. According to the Spherical Cosmos Model, there is no contradiction between the formation mechanism of fundamental particles and the initial point of the cosmos (Big Bang). However, in the standard model of cosmology, which includes the theory of inflation and is based on general relativity and the standard model of fundamental particles, there is a clear contradiction known as the singularity at the birth of the universe and the formation of matter. Specifically, the singularity, a consequence of general relativity, is an obstacle that is inconsistent with the formation of fundamental particles in the initial moments of the cosmos's birth.

Overall, it can be stated that T-Consciousness Cosmology offers a unique view of the cosmos by altering the perspective of the observer. From this shifted viewpoint, the cosmos is perceived as a grand system endowed with distinct identity, personality, and behavior. This system not only follows a specific trajectory to fulfill a special purpose but also demonstrates a high level of intelligence.

## **The Multiverse from a New Perspective**

T-Consciousness Cosmology asserts that the cosmos in which we currently live follows a sequential principle (Consecutive Cosmos) and has its own lifecycle. It is one of countless homogeneous or heterogeneous universes, each with its own unique characteristics and behaviors (laws of physics).

Additionally, from this viewpoint, the fundamental constants of physics change according to different cosmic epochs and locations. For example, gravity-time will range from infinity at the beginning of the cosmic lifecycle to zero at the terminal edge of the cosmos (the ultimate stage of space rebound).

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# The Shell of the Cosmos

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## Abstract

The Big Bang theory, widely accepted by cosmologists, explains the origin, expansion, and eventual fate of the universe. It was further developed by inflation theory, which solves issues like the horizon and flatness problems. This theory states that the Cosmic Microwave Background (CMB), a remnant of the Big Bang, permeates the entire universe. Cosmologists believe these photons were emitted during the recombination epoch, approximately 380,000 years after the Big Bang when the cosmos had a temperature of around 3,000 Kelvin. Additionally, the Lambda-Cold Dark Matter ( $\Lambda$ CDM) model addresses questions arising from observations of the cosmos, such as the existence of light elements like hydrogen, helium, lithium, and the anisotropy in the CMB, and eventually, the continuous expansion of space. In this model, dark energy, represented as the cosmological constant  $\lambda$  ( $\Lambda$ ), exerts negative pressure on empty space, counteracting the effects of gravity with a repulsive force. While the Standard Model of Particle Physics (SMPP) posits that the universe's matter originated from fundamental particles (quarks and leptons), it cannot explain the origin of these particles and how they came into existence, because general relativity and the SMPP cannot be integrated to explain matter production at the singularity point. T-Consciousness Cosmology introduces the 'Spherical Cosmos Model' (SCM) to answer questions about the cause of the explosion, expansion, and shape of the universe, the nature of ordinary matter and energy, dark matter and energy, the fate of the universe, the reason for the high density of objects in the depths of space, etc. In this model, the spherical cosmos has a shell called the 'Shell of the Cosmos,' made of Taheri Absolute Matter (TAM) that not only isolates it but also produces dark matter and dark energy, ordinary matter and ordinary energy, and finally space mesh from the inner surface to the inside of the cosmos since the birth of the universe. The Shell of this isolated sphere is currently expanding at a speed faster than the speed of light. In this perspective, dark matter and energy are the same space mesh that have been compressed to varying degrees. Dark energy, which is constantly being released from the Shell into the cosmos, unlike the standard model of cosmology, is one of the factors in the expansion of the isolated cosmos by creating positive pressure in it. Also in this model, the recombination epoch will always be located spherically at a certain distance from the Shell until the ultimate stage of Rebound. In other words, not only is the origin of the CMB not related to the past of the cosmos, but it also exists now, and given the vastness of the sphere and the position of the Earth within this sphere, we detect it in the microwave wavelength with a delay of several billion years. Therefore, the observed distant galaxies that have been attributed to the early epochs of the cosmos in the Big Bang model are currently being created by the Shell according to the Spherical Cosmos Model, and we are surrounded by particles and objects that are constantly being produced.

**Keywords:** Spherical Cosmos Model - Shell of the Cosmos - TAM Decomposition - Light Dark Matter - Dark Dark Matter - Solid-like Dark Matter - Liquid-like Dark Matter - Gas-like Dark Matter - Positive Pressure of Dark Energy - Space Rebound

## The Shell of the Cosmos

The most widely supported theory today is the Big Bang theory, which states that approximately 13.84 billion years ago, the universe began to rapidly expand from matter and energy, with a special explosion from a very hot, dense, and infinitely small point. This theory by itself had some shortcomings such as the flatness problem and the horizon problem, which were theoretically addressed with the introduction of the inflation theory in 1980 by Alan Guth.<sup>[1]</sup> In the meantime, the standard model of cosmology, also known as the Lambda-CDM model, has been developed over the years based on a series of discoveries and theories such as Albert Einstein's general theory of relativity in 1951, the discovery of the Cosmic Microwave Background (CMB) in 1965, and the first recorded image of this radiation in 2013, which confirmed this model, adding puzzles such as dark matter and dark energy to the Big Bang theory. This model consists of three main components: 1- ordinary matter, 2- Cold Dark Matter (CDM), 3- a cosmological constant (Lambda,  $\Lambda$ ) associated with dark energy. The continuous expansion of space, the distribution of light elements in the universe like hydrogen, helium, and lithium, and finally, the anisotropy in the CMB are explained in this model.<sup>[2]</sup>

In the Lambda-CDM model, as the universe continues to expand over time, the negative pressure associated with the cosmological constant (dark energy) increasingly dominates over opposing gravitational forces, and the expansion of the universe accelerates. Additionally, this model assumes that General Relativity is the corrected theory of gravity at cosmic scales.

On the other hand, the Standard Model of Particle Physics (SMPP) explains the origin of matter in the universe in terms of the particles that constitute its primary building blocks.<sup>[3]</sup> The issue that arises here is that if we consider the origin of the universe to be a singularity according to the Big Bang theory, integrating general relativity with the SMPP at the initial moment of the Big Bang, and explaining how matter and energy came into existence from the singularity will be impossible.

Despite these limitations, cosmologists believe the Big Bang theory is the only theory that has so far been able to provide a correct analysis of the observational data.

## Conventional Cosmology

### The Big Bang

From the perspective of cosmologists, the universe has gone through several stages of evolution after the Big Bang, some of which include (Figure 1):

**Inflation Epoch:** A brief period of exponential expansion that increased the volume of the universe by a factor of at least  $10^{26}$  times in less than one-trillionth of a second. This process smoothed out any initial irregularities and created minor fluctuations in the density and temperature of matter and radiation. It should be noted that this theory also has its critics.<sup>[1]</sup>

**2. Nucleosynthesis Epoch:** A period that according to most cosmologists occurred from 10 seconds to 20 minutes after the Big Bang. During this epoch, the universe was hot enough for nuclear fusion to occur and the first light elements such as hydrogen, helium, and lithium were formed from protons and neutrons.<sup>[4]</sup>

**3. Recombination Epoch:** A period approximately 380,000 years after the Big Bang, during which the universe cooled down sufficiently for charged electrons and protons to combine and form neutral atoms. During this epoch, photons were able to escape freely. The CMB radiation was generated following the decoupling of these photons. According to the Big Bang theory, this radiation represents the oldest light that we can detect in the universe.<sup>[5]</sup>

**4. Structure Formation:** A period spanning billions of years during which gravity amplified slight fluctuations in the distribution of matter, causing gas clouds to collapse into themselves to form stars, galaxies, clusters, and superclusters. Most of the visible structures that we see in the universe today were formed during this epoch.<sup>[6]</sup>

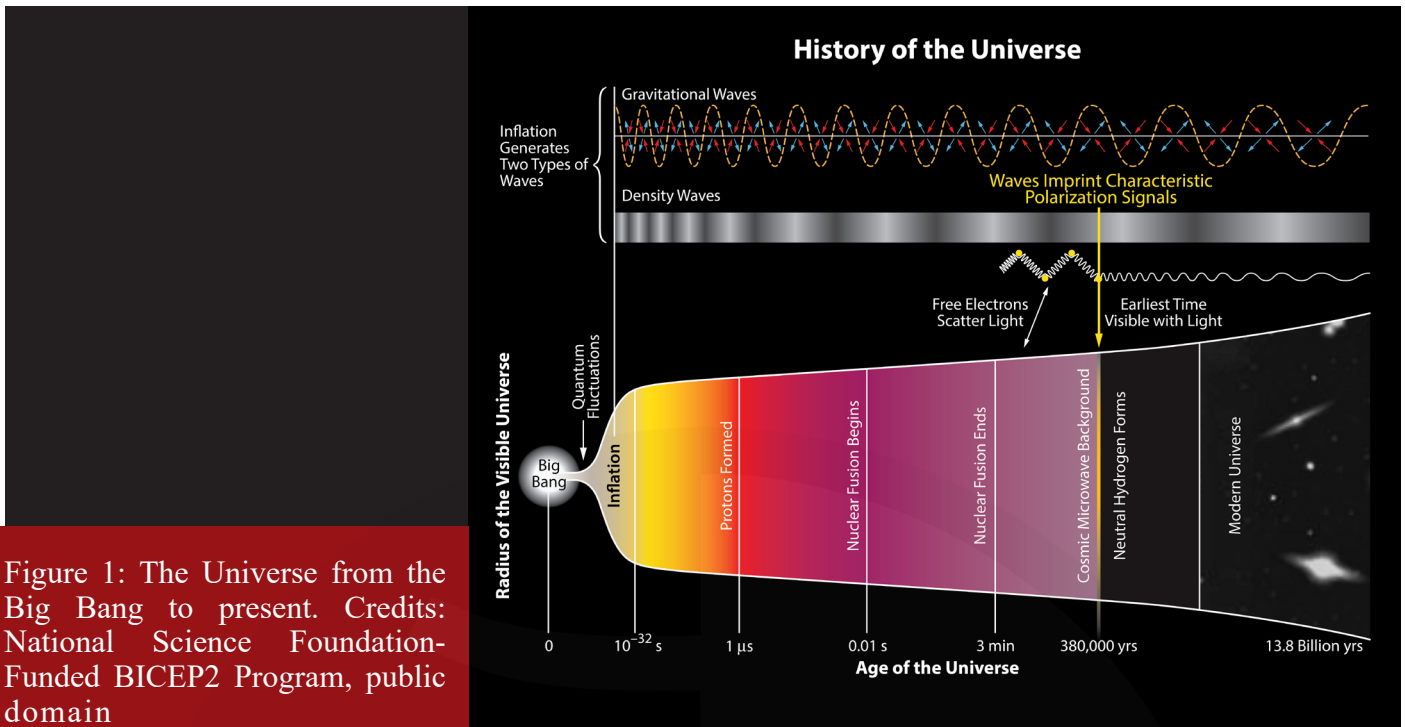


Figure 1: The Universe from the Big Bang to present. Credits: National Science Foundation-Funded BICEP2 Program, public domain

On the other hand, cosmologists contend that the Big Bang theory is supported by various observational evidence. Among this evidence, the following points can be mentioned:

1. The redshift of distant galaxies, which indicates that these objects are moving away from us and the universe is expanding (Figure 2).

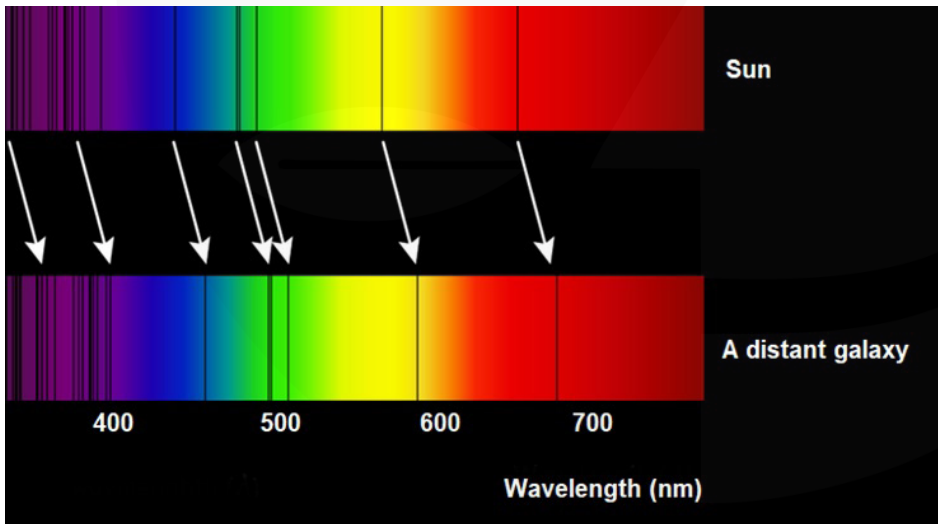


Figure 2: Galactic redshift at very large distances during the expansion of the universe relative to the solar optical spectrum. Adapted from: Georg Wiora (Dr. Schorsch), CC BY-SA 3.0

2. The CMB, which exhibits a nearly uniform temperature across the entire sky and matches the predicted spectrum of radiation from a hot, expanding universe (Figure 3).

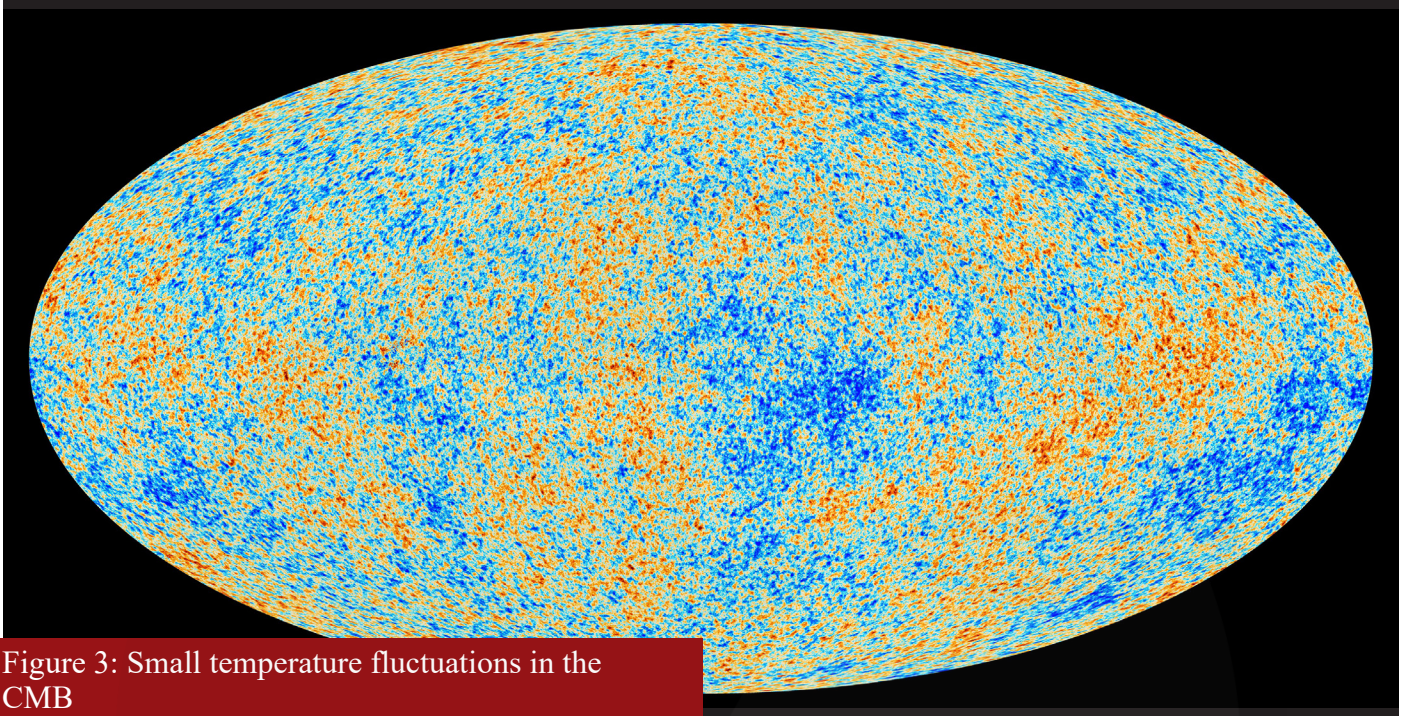


Figure 3: Small temperature fluctuations in the CMB  
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3. The abundance of light elements, which matches the calculated amount of nucleosynthesis that occurred in the early universe (Figure 4).<sup>[7]</sup>

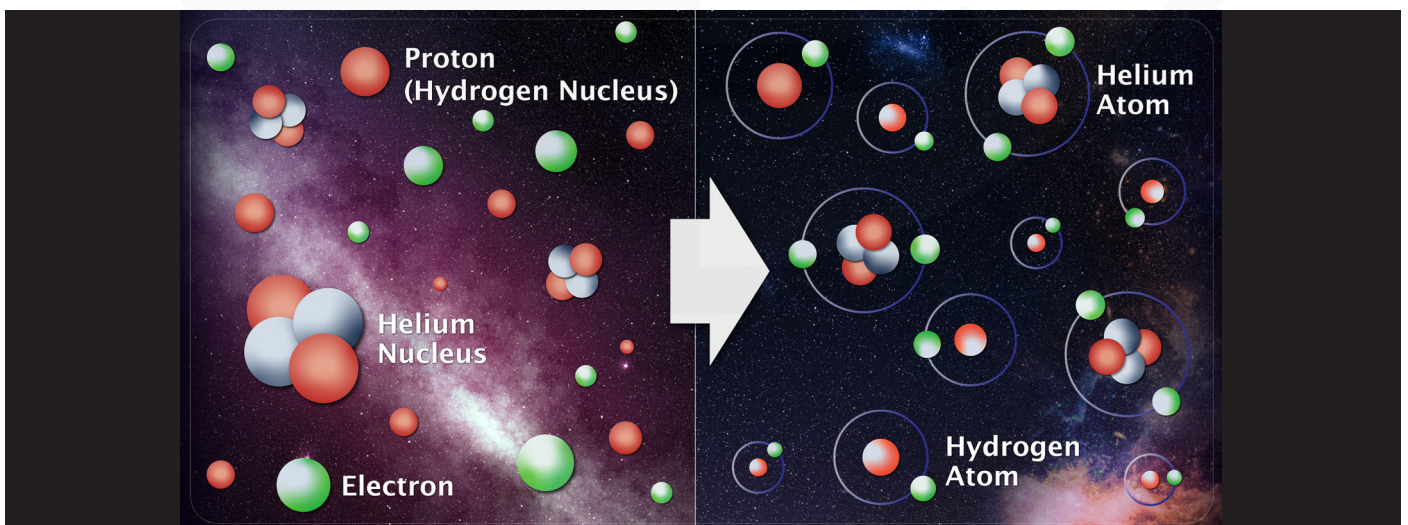


Figure 4: (Left image) In the early universe, which was very hot, electrons could not remain attached to atoms. (Right image) The first elements, hydrogen and helium, were formed about 380,000 years after the Big Bang, when the universe had cooled down enough for their nuclei to capture electrons.

Regardless, from the perspective of conventional cosmology, the Big Bang theory is not without flaws and has several issues. One of the problems is that the Big Bang theory does not explain what caused the initial explosion or what happened before the bang or within a fraction of the first second, nor does it explain the nature and origin of dark matter and dark energy, which constitute most of the mass and energy of the universe.<sup>[8]</sup> Additionally, there are conflicts between various observations or predictions that challenge this model.

Therefore, cosmologists are constantly experimenting with and revising the Big Bang theory with new data and experiments as well as investigating alternative or advanced models that may address some of these problems or questions. Some of the alternative theories proposed in this regard include:

1. The multiverse hypothesis, which suggests that our universe is one of the possible universes that could exist with different physical laws or constants (Figure 5).<sup>[9]</sup>



Figure 5: An artistic rendition of the Multiverse Theory

2. The oscillating universe theory, or cyclic model, which proposes that our universe undergoes repeated cycles of expansion and contraction, where each

previous cycle ends with a Big Bang and the new cycle begins with a Big Crunch (Figure 6).<sup>[10]</sup>

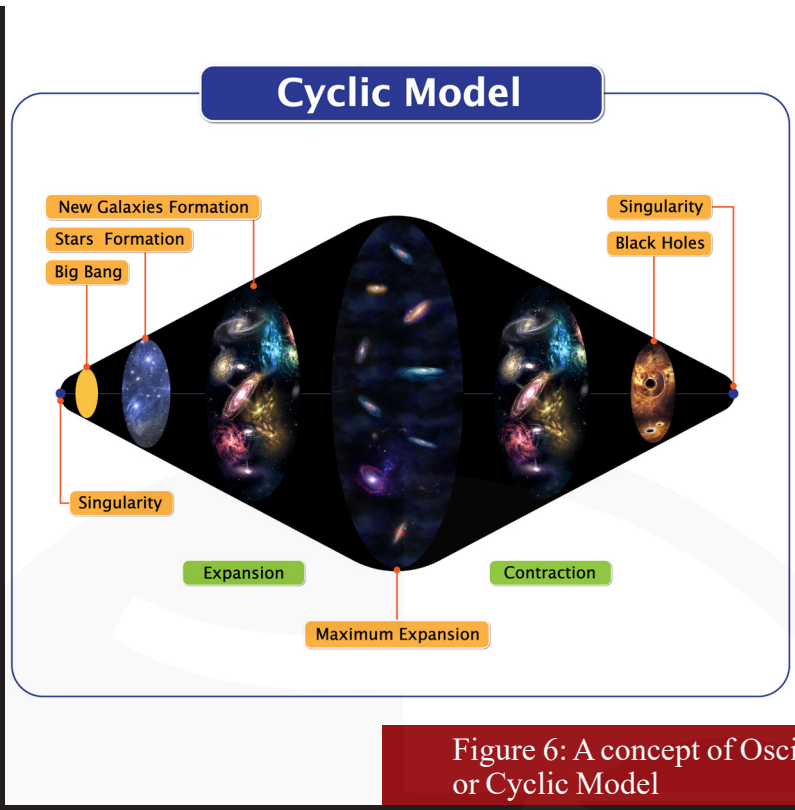


Figure 6: A concept of Oscillatory Universe Theory or Cyclic Model

3. Quantum Gravity/Loop Quantum Cosmology, which attempts to unify quantum mechanics and general relativity within a single framework. This union describes the behavior of matter and energy at

very small scales and high energies, such as the Big Bang singularity (Figure 7).<sup>[11]</sup>

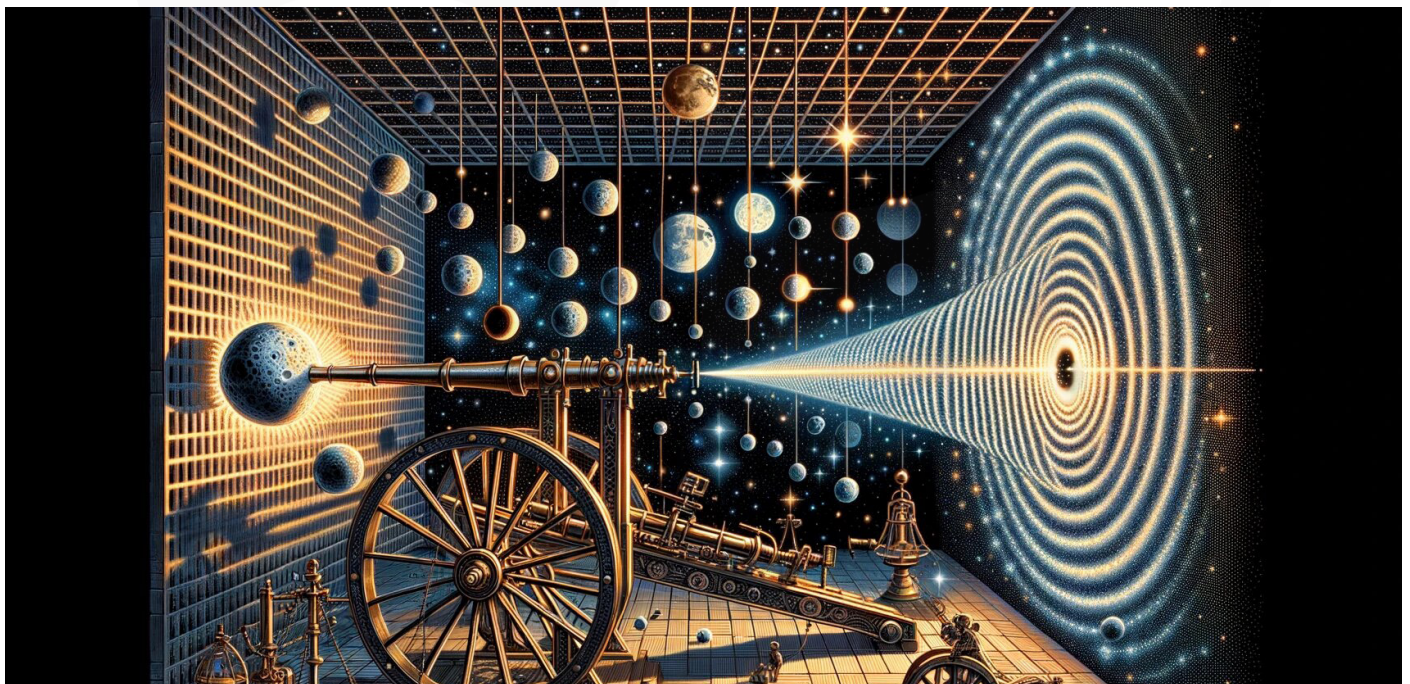


Figure 7: The image depicts an experiment in which heavy particles (illustrated as the moon) cause an interference pattern (a quantum effect), while also bending spacetime. The hanging pendulums depict the measurement of spacetime. Reprinted with permission from University College London (UCL), Credits: Isaac Young

## The CMB from the Perspective of Conventional Cosmology

As previously mentioned, conventional cosmology states that the CMB, is the remnant radiation from the Big Bang that permeates the entire universe. According to this viewpoint, this radiation is a

valuable source of information about the early stages and evolution of the cosmos. It was first identified in 1964 by Arno Penzias and Robert Wilson, who were awarded the Nobel Prize for their discovery (Figure 8).

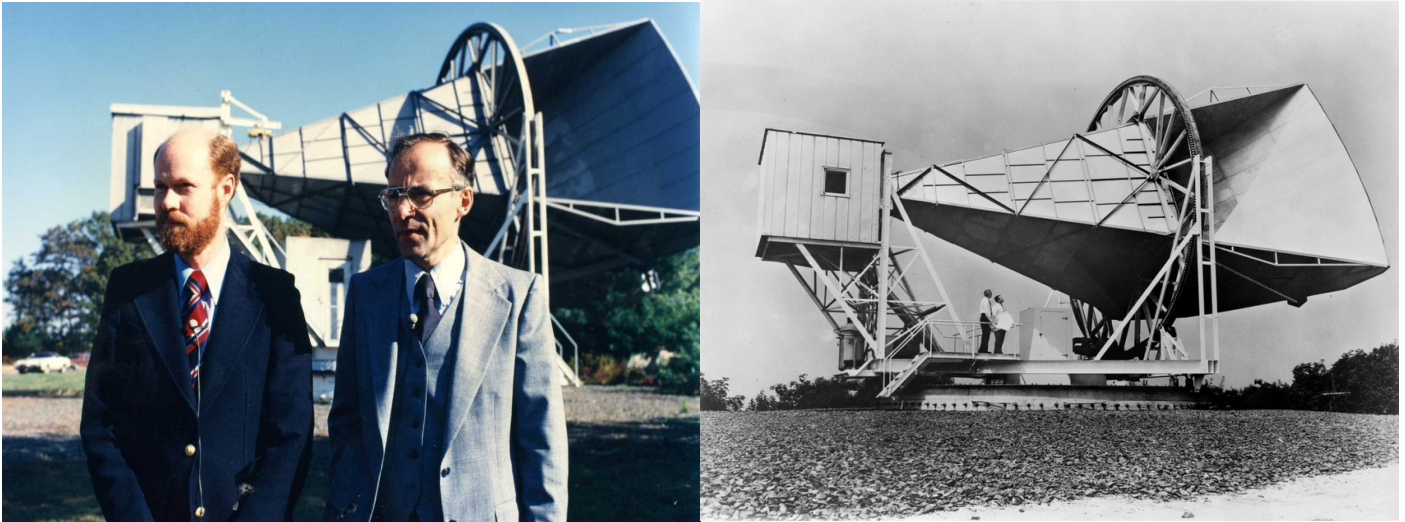


Figure 8: (Left image) Discovery of the CMB in 1965 by Penzias and Wilson. Reprinted with permission from: Nokia Corporation and AT&T Archives (Right image) The 15-meter Holmdel Horn Antenna at the Bell Telephone Laboratories in Holmdel, New Jersey  
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Cosmologists theorize that in the early stages of the Big Bang, before stars, galaxies, and planets existed, the infant universe was much hotter, denser, and filled with a plasma of particles or opaque hydrogen. As the cosmos expanded, this plasma cooled. The compressed radiation within it shifted to longer wavelengths, and eventually, as temperatures fell, protons and electrons combined to form neutral hydrogen atoms. This transformative period marks the Recombination Epoch.

When the temperature of the universe reached 3000 Kelvin, photons were able to move freely in space, an event referred to as photon decoupling. Cosmologists believe CMB photons were emitted during the recombination epoch, roughly 380,000 years after the universe's birth, when its temperature was about 3000 Kelvin. Over their 13.8 billion-year journey, these photons can be detected in the microwave spectrum with an average temperature of

2.7 Kelvin. In other words, the expansion of space has stretched the wavelengths of these photons, shifting them from the visible light spectrum to the infrared spectrum and eventually to the microwave spectrum. (Figure 9).<sup>[12]</sup>

The CMB is therefore considered to be the leftover radiation from the Big Bang. It is the strongest evidence that cosmologists have for the Big Bang theory. This evidence has led cosmologists to accept the theory and to study it further from various angles in order to confirm it.

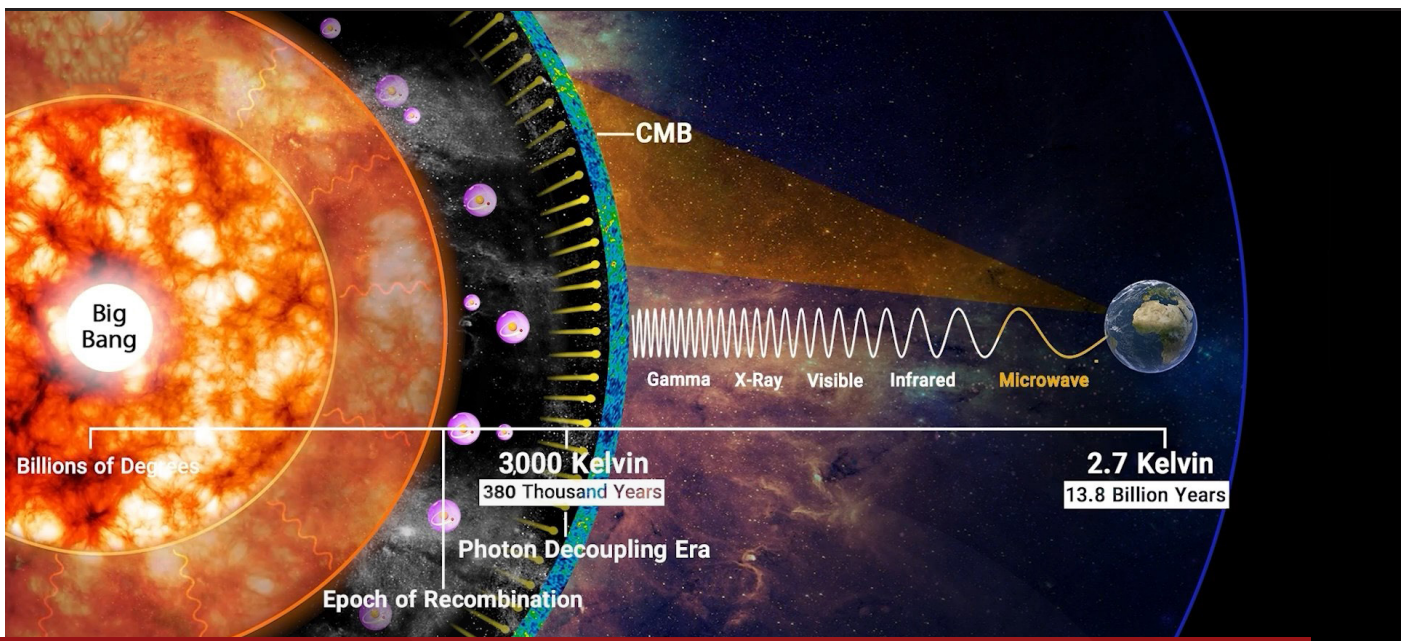


Figure 9: From the perspective of conventional cosmology, the CMB is a sign of the events of the early universe. (In this figure, the photon wavelengths is simply shown schematically)

The standard model of cosmology (SMC), which describes the origin, structure, and history of the cosmos, assumes that the universe is homogeneous and isotropic on large scales. This means that it appears the same in all directions and locations.<sup>[2]</sup> This theory predicts that the CMB should exhibit a black body spectrum with a temperature of approximately 2.7 Kelvin. This prediction has been confirmed by several space missions such as Cosmic Background Explorer (COBE), Wilkinson Microwave Anisotropy Probe

(WMAP), and Planck. Moreover, the SMC predicts that this radiation should have small temperature fluctuations across the sky, reflecting density fluctuations in the early universe that would later evolve into galaxies and clusters. These fluctuations are measured by CMB experiments and provide extensive information about cosmic parameters, such as age, expansion rate, curvature, and composition of the universe (Figure 10).<sup>[13,14]</sup>

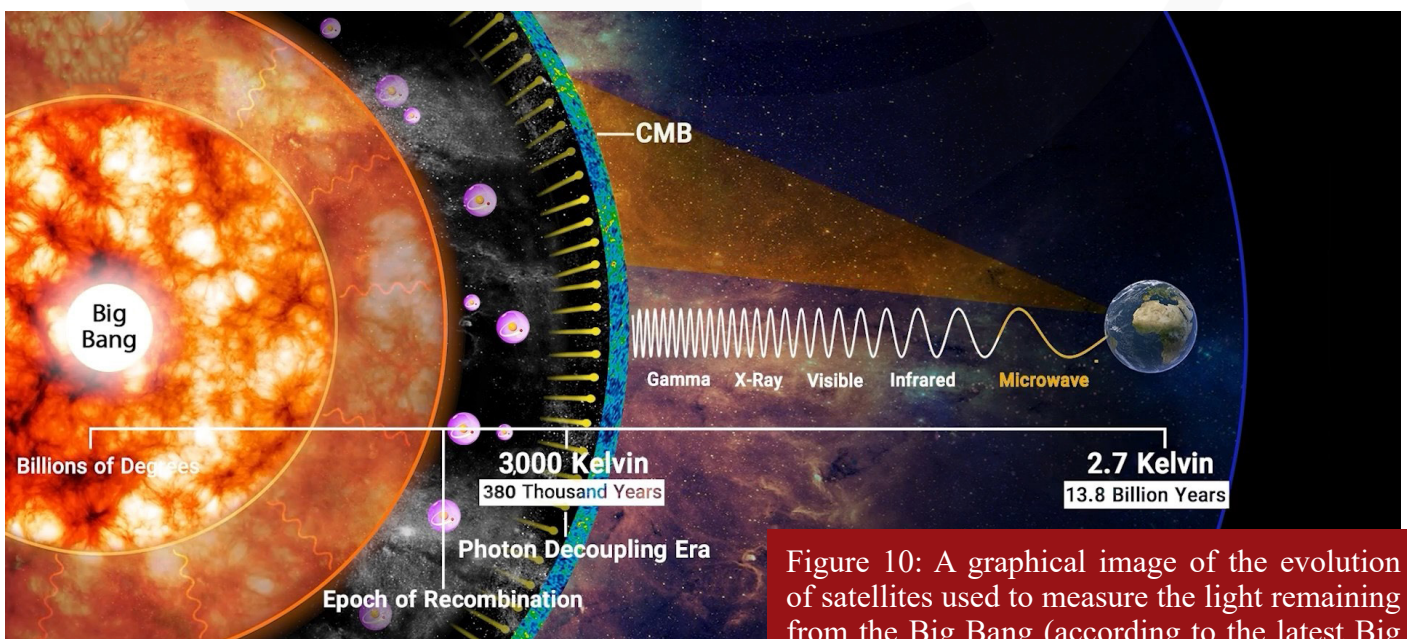


Figure 10: A graphical image of the evolution of satellites used to measure the light remaining from the Big Bang (according to the latest Big Bang model).  
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However, SMC is not a complete or final theory and has its own problems and limitations that require further investigation and correction. For example, one of the main problems of this model is the "Cosmological Constant Problem." This issue refers to the discrepancy between the measured value of the cosmological constant, which is associated with dark energy, and its predicted value based on quantum field theory. There is currently no acceptable explanation for this discrepancy, which is apparently a very large one. Moreover, this theory does not explain what caused the Big Bang, what the nature of dark matter and dark energy is, or why there is more matter than antimatter in the universe. Another shortcoming of SMC is that it fails to unify quantum mechanics and gravity. All these issues are some of the unanswered questions that motivate current and future research in cosmology.<sup>[15]</sup>

### T-Consciousness Cosmology

Alongside the current Big Bang theory, T-Consciousness Cosmology introduces the Spherical Cosmos Model (SCM) that addresses questions such as the cause of the explosion, the nature of dark matter, dark energy, ordinary matter and energy, the shape of

the cosmos, the fate of the cosmos, the reason for the clustering of celestial bodies in the depths of space, and more. This model not only states that the shape of the cosmos is spherical, but it also has a shell called the 'Shell of the Cosmos.' This section examines the nature of this Shell and its function.

### The Shell of the Cosmos

In the SCM, the universe is born from an infinitely small and highly condensed seed, which is the Cosmic Black Hole. This Black Hole is made of an absolute matter that T-Consciousness Cosmology refers to as "TAM" or Taheri Absolute Matter. It also mentions that TAM is a union of 'Light-Dark Matter' (LDM), 'Dark-Dark Matter' (DDM), and a new type of 'Thermal Matter' resulting from the intense compression of electromagnetic waves and all known fundamental forces, which, after merging, have no longer preserved their original nature (Figure 11).

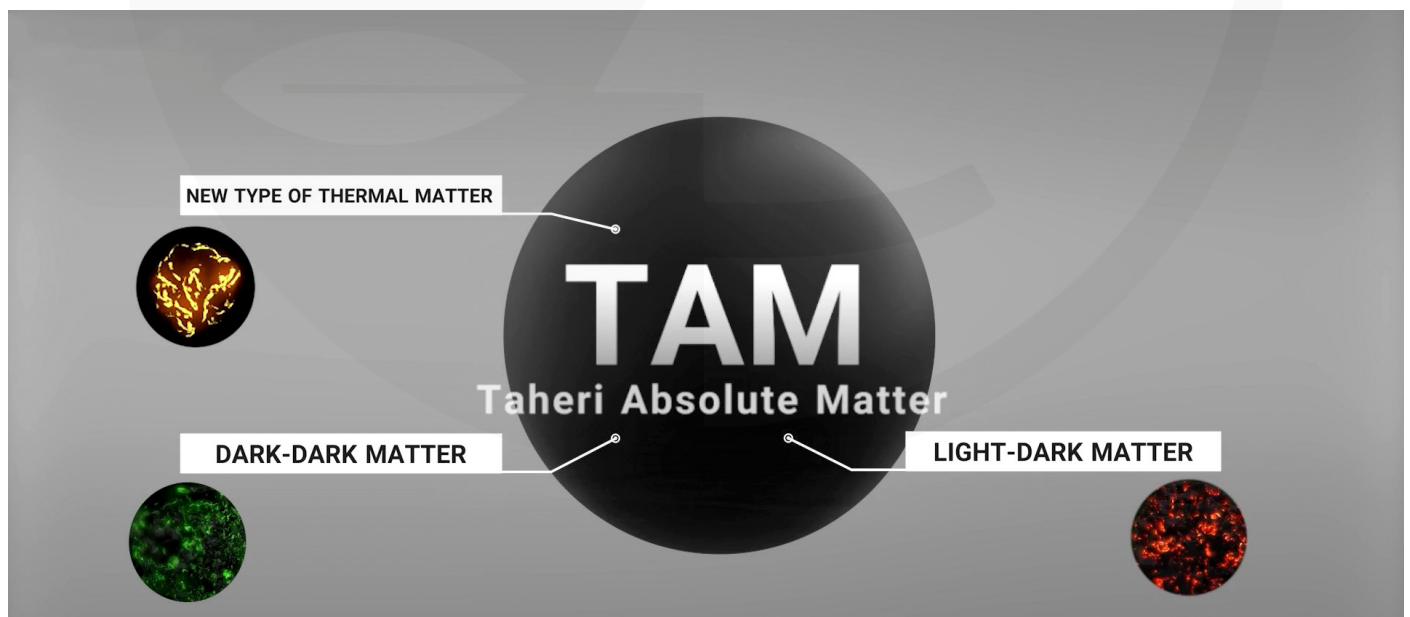


Figure 11: Cosmic Black Hole in the Spherical Cosmos Model – T-Consciousness Cosmology

According to this view, the cosmos needs to release itself from a compressed state for rebirth, and create the necessary conditions for the emergence of waves, space, and all types of matter and energy. In other words, the increase in volume, or cosmic expansion is explained by the 'Cosmic Rebound' mechanism. Rebound is the process whereby the Cosmos returns to its original, natural state, free from stress or contraction of space, and all objects are transformed into *'Absolute Waves.'*

According to this mechanism, the Cosmic Black Hole uses part of its TAM for the initial explosion and enters the decomposition phase. This leads to an increase in the volume of this black hole, transforming it into a universe with the characteristics we observe today, which is filled with CMB. In other words, the remaining part of TAM becomes a layer that encompasses the cosmic sphere and isolates it. How TAM acts as an agent for the initial explosion at the center of the Cosmic Black Hole, will be explained in a separate subject of the *'Big Shock'* hypothesis (Figure 12).

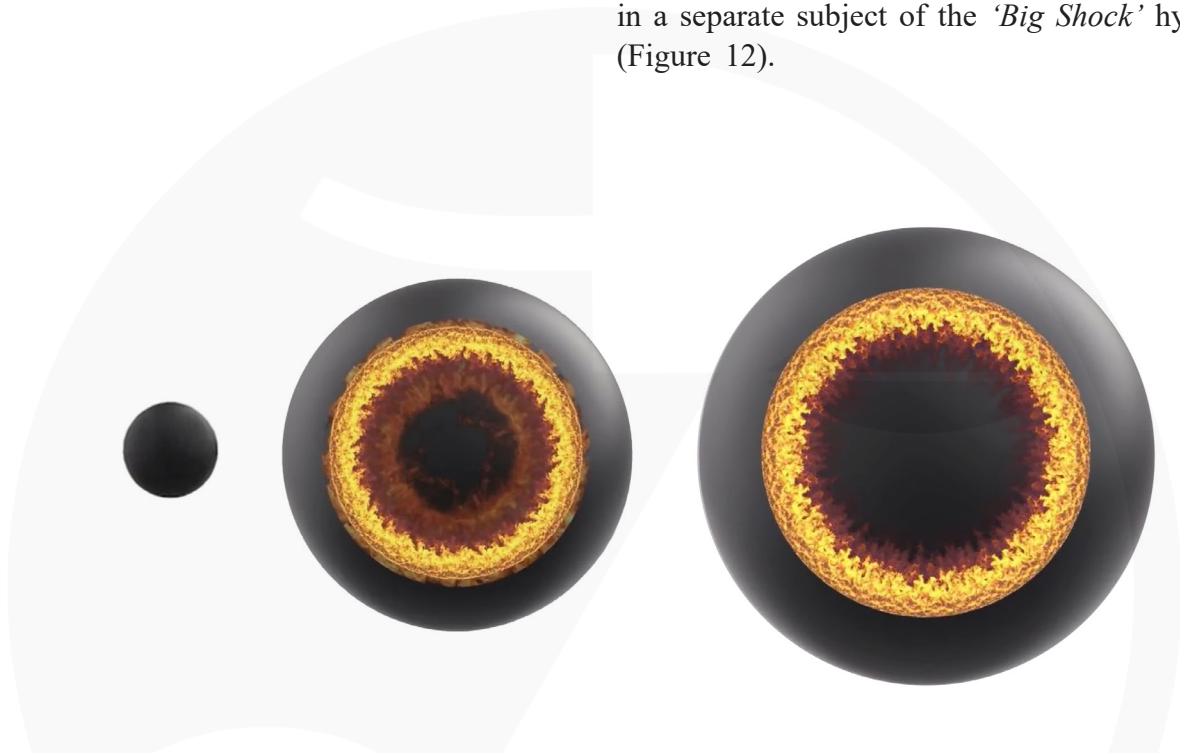


Figure 12: From left to right, a schematic representation of the transformation stages of the Cosmic Black Hole after the Big Shock in the process of decomposing into the Cosmic Shell.

### The origin of the CMB based on the T-Consciousness Cosmology Viewpoint

While the Big Bang theory introduces the CMB as a remnant of the early universe, T-Consciousness Cosmology examines the origin of this radiation from a different perspective and assigns it a special role in the Spherical Cosmos Model. As previously mentioned, this radiation had raised questions that prompted scientists and theorists to find answers through various methods. Questions such as the origin of these waves, and how this radiation exists uniformly and isotropically in all directions of the cosmos?

To explain the cause of homogeneity and isotropy of the CMB, the dominant theory of inflation posits that the universe experienced incredibly rapid expansion (a minimum of 1026 times) in less than a trillionth of a second. This expansion, despite some objections, is theorized to be the reason for the uniformity observed in the present cosmos.<sup>[1]</sup> However, T-Consciousness Cosmology offers an alternative explanation through its Cosmic Shell hypothesis, and even states that as the cosmos expands, the isotropy of matter and energy will fade, and the CMB will undergo a specific fate.

This view argues that inflation theory isn't a correct explanation for the isotropy of radiation, or other lingering cosmological questions. T-Consciousness Cosmology proposes that the observed uniformity

of the CMB is due to our unique location within the spherical cosmos. Since we're measuring from Earth and within the Milky Way galaxy, it appears isotropic from our perspective. However, as the cosmos continues to expand, the isotropy of both matter and radiation will eventually disappear. This concept challenges the prevailing view of an isotropic universe. Evidence like the faint twisting of the CMB's polarized light (B-Mode)<sup>[16]</sup> and the quadrupole power anisotropy in CMB<sup>[17]</sup> further support this idea. T-Consciousness Cosmology addresses these issues through its hypotheses of the '*Center of the Cosmos*' and '*Cosmic Rotation*,' which will be explored in future discussions.

T-Consciousness Cosmology also argues that accepting the latest Big Bang model's explanation for the origin of this radiation raises new questions. These questions can be tackled from a fresh perspective, and some of them include:

- 1- How can the cosmic microwave background radiation, a remnant of the Big Bang, be evenly distributed in all directions throughout space?
- 2- What is special about our location, if we are detecting a consistent wavelength of this radiation in all directions?
- 3- How can the source of this radiation no longer exist, according to the Big Bang theory?
- 4- Does the cosmos possess a special geometry? If we reside within this four-dimensional spacetime geometry, what lies beyond the cosmos? Or does an "outside" even exist?
- 5- If we were to travel billions of light-years away from Earth, would measurements of the CMB still indicate isotropy? And etc.

While adding inflation theory to the Big Bang model (standard cosmological model) offers partial explanations for the raised questions, T-Consciousness Cosmology presents a different view, emphasizing that the cosmos behaves in a manner not entirely accounted for in the interpretations and mathematical calculations derived from observations in conventional cosmology. The spherical cosmos model, states that

the cosmic microwave background radiation isn't just a leftover echo from the decomposition of the Shell of the Cosmos, but rather a continuous emission from the Shell itself. In other words, this radiation isn't a relic of the cosmos's past, but is actively being generated by the decomposition process of Cosmic Shell in the present. Therefore, when we peer into the depths of space, we're witnessing the effects of this Shell's decomposition, rather than remnants of the Big Bang.

T-Consciousness Cosmology uses the analogy of a launched solid-fuel rocket to explain how the CMB is constantly produced: Solid fuel is a key design element in rocket propulsion, providing the essential energy for movement through combustion. This fuel is housed within a chamber that allows its burning to propel the rocket forward. Essentially, when you look at the bottom of this type of rocket after launch, you'll only see the flames from the burning fuel, not the rocket itself. The rate at which the rocket accelerates depends on the surface area of the fuel. A larger surface area allows for more fuel to burn at once, resulting in a greater thrust and a faster acceleration. Additionally, the length of the fuselage determines how long the rocket can maintain its thrust. A longer fuselage translates to a longer burn time and a greater total distance traveled (Figure 13).<sup>[18]</sup>

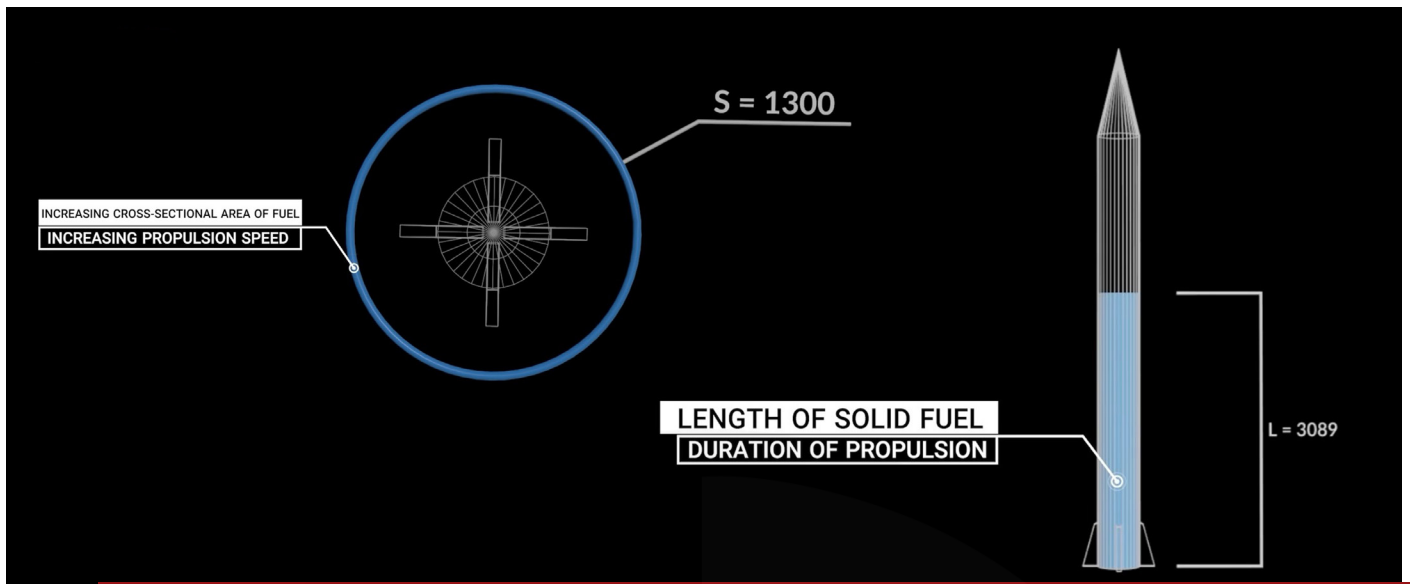


Figure 13: Solid Fuel Rocket Structure

T-Consciousness Cosmology uses the analogy of a solid-fuel rocket to explain TAM decomposition in the Cosmic Shell. This process, like the burning fuel propelling the rocket, not only fuels the Cosmic Shell's motion but is also one of the main factors that contributes to the volume expansion of the cosmos. The combustion mechanism and motion of the Shell is such that we can only observe the final stage of TAM

decomposition, where photon decoupling happens at 3000 Kelvin, similar to seeing just the flames from a rocket and not the entire structure (Figure 14).

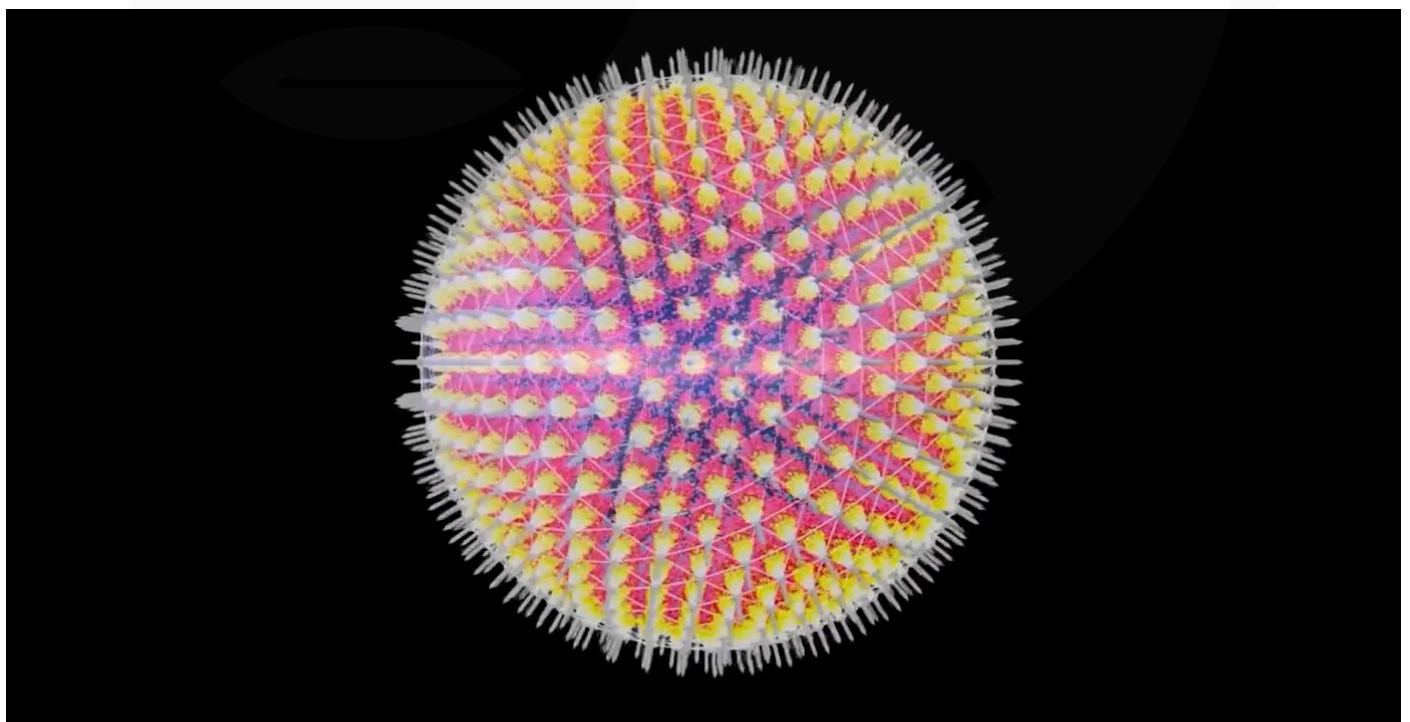


Figure 14: An artistic rendition of TAM decomposition. The combustion of fuel for rockets on the Sphere of the Cosmos is merely an analogy to explain the decomposition process of the Cosmic Shell.

Therefore, the CMB is the product of the combustion occurring at the innermost level of the Cosmic Shell due to the decomposition process. This shell, much like a rocket in motion, progresses in all directions (very similar to the inflation of a perfectly spherical balloon) and, while moving forward, also produces matter and releases it into the cosmos. In fact, this Shell has a thickness where the decomposition of TAM occurs at its innermost surface.

### The production stages of various forms of matter and energy in the universe according to the Spherical Cosmos Model

In the initial stages of TAM decomposition, the release of dark-dark matter, or the highly compressed space mesh occurs. As dark-dark matter is released from its hyper-compressed state during the Rebound process (cosmic expansion), it transforms into 'Solid-Like Dark Matter' with temperatures in the billions of Kelvin. Following this stage, solid-like dark matter slightly loses its ultra-dense state and transforms into a 'Liquid-Like Dark Matter.' Liquid-like dark matter is essentially the same "dark matter" known in conventional cosmology.

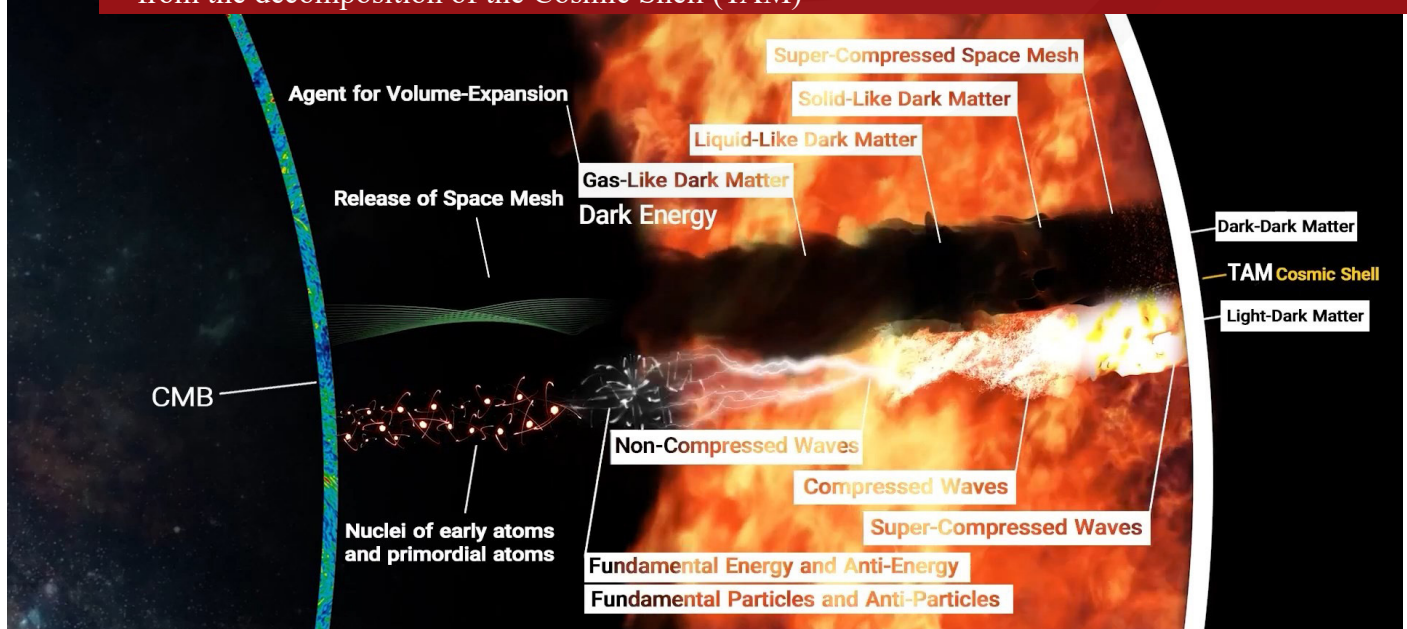
Further along, this type of matter sheds even more density and is released from its crumpled state, and transforms into dark energy or 'Gas-Like Dark Matter.' The amount of dark energy, with

significantly less density than the liquid state, is so immense that it not only provides the necessary force for the continued expansion of space mesh but will also be one of the factors in increasing the volume of the universe from the beginning of the Rebound process to its maximum extent. This is because dark energy creates positive pressure within the cosmos that is isolated by a shell, it becomes an agent for the increasing expansion of this sphere with increasing acceleration. After the formation of dark energy, its density completely disappears and transforms into space mesh. Therefore, dark matter and dark energy are essentially different degrees of space density.

Alongside the decomposition of dark-dark matter (DDM), the decomposition of light-dark matter (LDM) also plays a role to form what is today known as ordinary matter. Light-dark matter, released through TAM combustion, initially transforms into ultra-dense waves (the same type of ultra-dense waves that can be found in intra-cosmic black holes), then into dense waves, and subsequently into non-dense waves, which is the same type of energy known today.

As this process continues, these non-compressed, infinitesimal waves collide with each other, forming denser waves, or what we call fundamental particles. Eventually, these particles turn into the nuclei of primordial atoms (hydrogen atoms and others) (Figure 15).

Figure 15: The stages of release of various types of matter and energy and space mesh that result from the decomposition of the Cosmic Shell (TAM)



One of the important points that T-Consciousness Cosmology emphasizes in its hypotheses is that just as matter and energy have their counterparts, as commonly referenced in conventional science, space also has its counterpart, known as 'Anti-Space,' leading to the creation of 'Dark Anti-Matter' or 'Dark Anti-Energy.'

On one hand, the immense force of dark energy that is applied from within the cosmos, along with the force resulting from the decomposition of dark-light matter leading to TAM combustion, causes the Cosmic Shell to be propelled forward, and its thickness decreases as the surface of the sphere of cosmos increases.

As stated, at a certain distance from the Shell after the collision of non-dense waves with each other, fundamental particles are formed, followed by the formation of nuclei of atoms such as hydrogen, helium, lithium, and several other types of nuclei, as well as free electrons. This process results in the

complete ionization of the particles in this region, creating a hot plasma. The hot plasma does not allow for the emission of any radiation from the electromagnetic spectrum, and the temperature in the Shell decomposition region is so high that the formation of neutral atoms is impossible.

As TAM continues to decompose, or in other words, as the matter generation of the Shell increases the volume of the cosmos, more space is created, which provides sufficient time for cooling. At a specific distance from the Shell, where temperatures reach 3000 Kelvin, hydrogen and helium begin to capture free electrons. This makes the particles visible, and photons can move freely. This region is the source of the CMB that surrounds the entire cosmos in 360 degrees from within. We observe the CMB as a microwave-wavelength radiation that permeates the entire cosmos (Figure 16).

Figure 16: The formation of CMB radiation near the Cosmic Shell, will continue until the ultimate stage of cosmic Rebound.



## Explanation for the Accelerating Expansion of the Cosmos

One of the key questions in cosmology is the rate of acceleration for the expansion of the cosmos. This is indicated by the Hubble constant, which shows that the cosmos is expanding at an ever-increasing rate.

The Spherical Cosmos Model (SCM) offers its own explanation for this phenomenon.

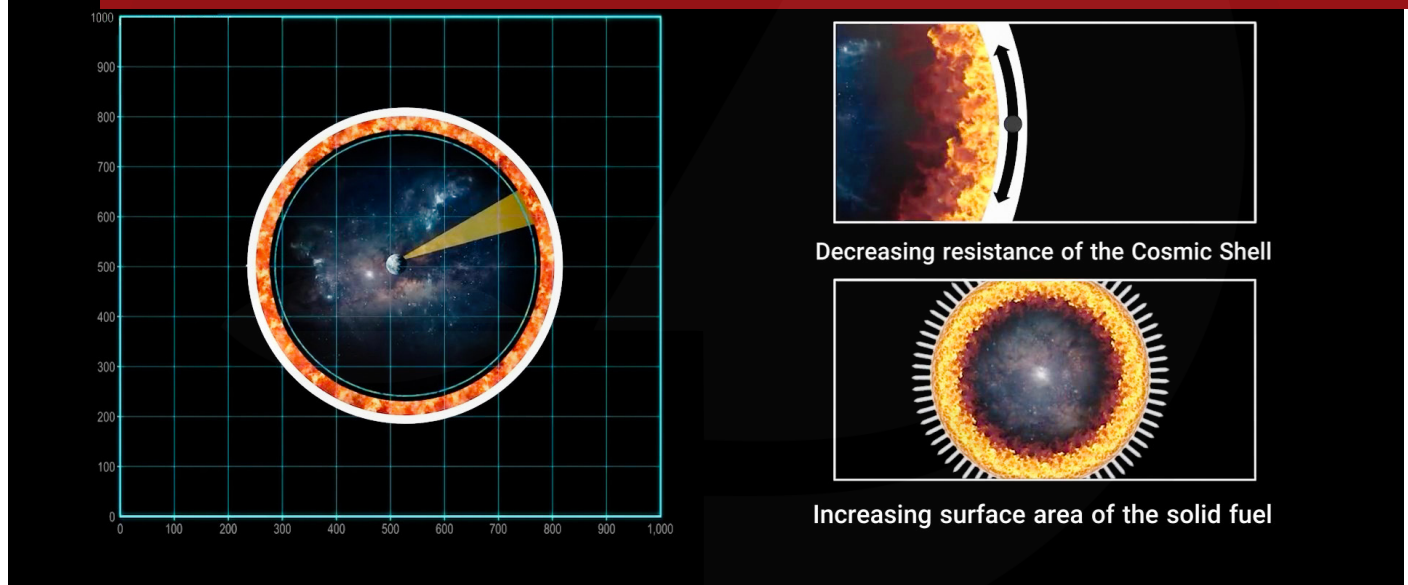
In the rocket example, it was mentioned that the speed of the rocket in question depends on the cross-sectional area of its solid fuel. And if, hypothetically, we were able to observe the Shell from the outside,

we would realize that space and time do not exist outside the cosmos. Therefore, there would be no inhibition to the speed at which the Shell could expand. The only factor that controls the expansion speed, which constantly increases due to TAM decomposition, is the thickness of the Shell. In other words, as the amount of TAM material in the Cosmic Shell decreases, the Shell gets thinner and thus faces less resistance to expansion. This is one of the reasons for the increasing speed of cosmic Rebound and the growing volume of the cosmos. Furthermore, as the radius of the Sphere of the Cosmos grows, the surface area of the Shell also increases. Essentially, the surface area of the Cosmic Shell determines the level of TAM combustion, and as this area grows due to increased combustion, the speed of the Shell's progression continuously accelerates (Figure 17).

In simpler terms, this mechanism suggests that this acceleration in expansion can be attributed to two factors: 1. An increase in the cross-section surface area of the solid fuel: As the Shell expands, its surface area increases. This means that there is more fuel available to burn, which increases the rate of expansion. 2. A decrease in the resistance of the Shell: The Shell grows thinner the more it expands, which decreases resistance, further increasing the rate of expansion.

The combination of these two factors causes the Shell to expand at an ever-increasing rate. This expansion is observed in all directions from a hypothetical center, at which we are located.

Figure 17: (Top right image) Flexibility of the shell due to decomposition. (Bottom right image) Increase in the Shell's cross-sectional area due to the volumetric expansion of the cosmos. (Left image) The Cosmic Shell is moving away from the Earth in all directions.



Based on the given explanations, we can conclude that the main difference between conventional cosmology and T-Consciousness Cosmology lies in the interpretation of observations. Specifically, T-Consciousness Cosmology states that the microwave radiation we observe throughout the cosmos is currently being generated at a certain distance from the Shell of the cosmos. However, due to the variability of the speed of electromagnetic waves based on the density of space (a concept that will be explored under the topic of space viscosity),

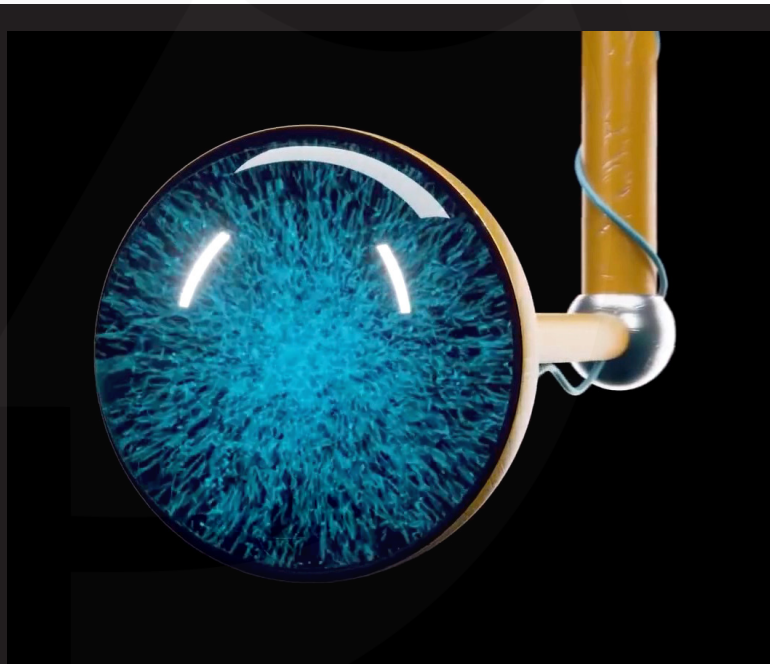
these waves take billions of years to reach us, carrying information from those regions of the cosmos. Therefore, as observers, we are always witnessing the past of events that are happening right now. These events, which are a narrative of the forward advancement of the cosmos, including the process of space rebound, the decomposition of the Shell of the cosmos, etc., are seen by us with a delay due to the vast expanse of the universe. In other words, the depths of the cosmos are a narrative of future events that reach us with a delay.

This perspective also explains that in the beginning, before the cosmos was born, the cosmic black hole or the initial seed of the universe held billions of Kelvins of heat within itself. This is because there was no possibility of heat exchange between the inside and the outside of its Shell since there is no space outside the cosmos to exchange heat with. Therefore, the Cosmic Shell always provides an isolated environment for the cosmos.

Why has the temperature dropped from billions of Kelvin at the beginning of the Rebound to 2.7 Kelvin now? Or in other words, how has this amount of heat reached the temperature we know from the CMB, without any heat exchange beyond the Shell of the cosmos? The answer, as explained by T-Consciousness Cosmology, is like thinking

about a closed, insulated container filled with gas and isolated from its environment, meaning it can't exchange energy or heat with anything outside. If we compress the gas by shrinking the container, we are doing work on it. Since the gas cannot escape the container, the energy from this work turns into heat, stored in the compressed gas, raising its temperature without any external energy being applied. This process is somewhat similar to what's called an adiabatic process. Now, if we remove the pressure by allowing the container to expand, the compressed gas in this isolated container will lose its heat and cool down. An adiabatic process is one where heat does not exchange between the system and its environment during the reaction. In this process, none of the parameters stay constant<sup>[20,21]</sup> (Figure 18).

Figure 18: When the volume of an isolated chamber decreases, the pressure inside it increases, which in turn causes the temperature of the gas inside to rise. Conversely, when the volume of the isolated chamber is increased, the pressure inside decreases, which leads to a drop in the gas's temperature.



By using this example, it's like saying that the Cosmic Black Hole acts like a completely sealed and isolated container. This means that the Cosmic Shell does not allow any heat, matter, or energy to escape throughout the Rebound and Reversion process of the cosmos, with nothing to exchange with outside of this container.

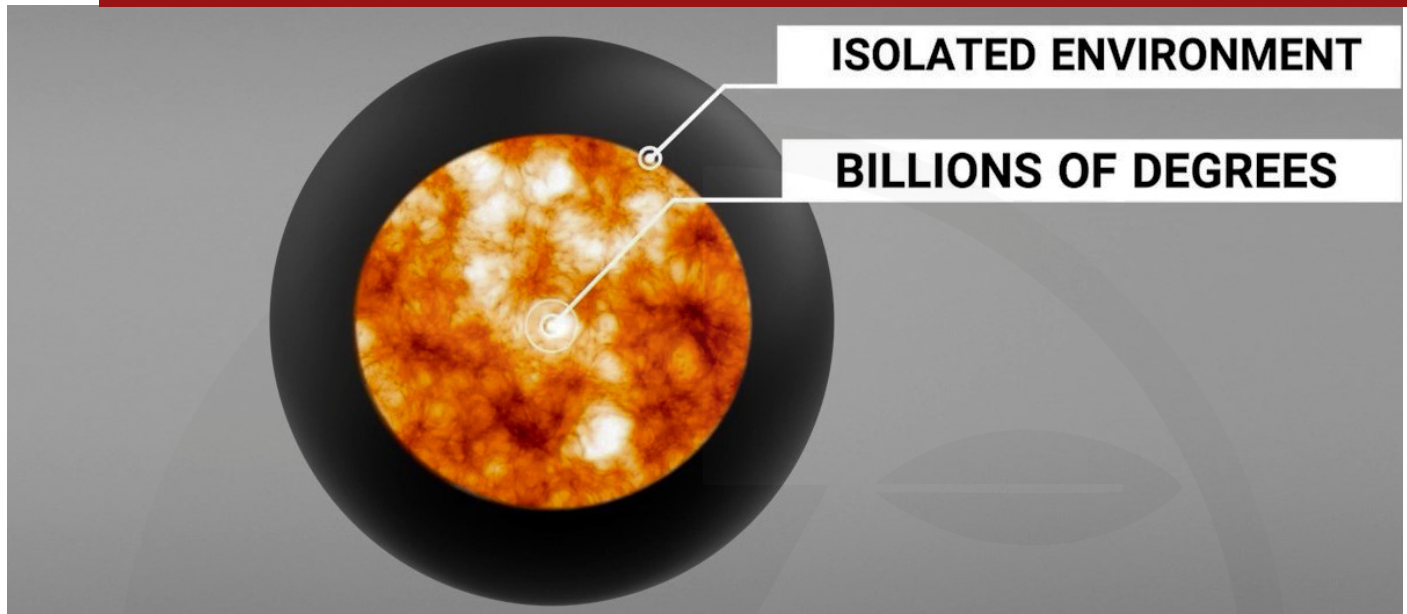
During the Reversion process, the compression continues to a point where all the components within the cosmos completely lose their original nature and

transform into a new unified substance known as TAM, which holds a potential temperature of billions of degrees. The cosmic black hole is essentially an infinitely small point made up of TAM, outside of which the concepts of space and time do not exist (Figure 19).

This black hole, through a process called the 'Big Shock' (a T-Consciousness Cosmology hypothesis), gradually transformed into a cosmos of this immense size starting from its innermost surface (very

close to the center) through a process called TAM decomposition. Additionally, it continues to grow in volume until it eventually reaches the ultimate stage of its Rebound.

Figure 19: Due to the presence of a shell, the cosmos was at a very high temperature in its early stages and faces a decrease in temperature as its volume expands.v



### Decreasing temperature in the Spherical Cosmos Model

The Shell of the Cosmos is decomposing from its innermost surface and its temperature drops from millions of Kelvin to 3000 Kelvin at the point of photon decoupling. In this case, we would expect the temperature of the cosmos to be rising. However, the rate of expansion for the surface area of the combustion of the Shell is so insignificant compared to the volume expansion of the cosmos, that we are currently experiencing an average temperature of 2.7 Kelvin. The cosmic temperature will eventually reach absolute zero at the final stage of the Rebound. In other words, after going through the recombination epoch, which is around 3000 Kelvin, the universe's temperature follows a decreasing trend in its inner space and reaches 2.726 Kelvin at its center. This negative temperature slope, according to the spherical cosmos model, will continue until the temperature throughout the entire universe reaches absolute zero (Figure 20).

Therefore, we conclude that a temperature of 2.7 Kelvin cannot be a constant number for the entire cosmos. This temperature is not homogenous and varies between us, in the Milky Way, to the Shell. Put simply, the cooling process of the cosmos from 3000 to 2.7 Kelvin is due to the progression of the Shell and the continual release of vast amounts of space.

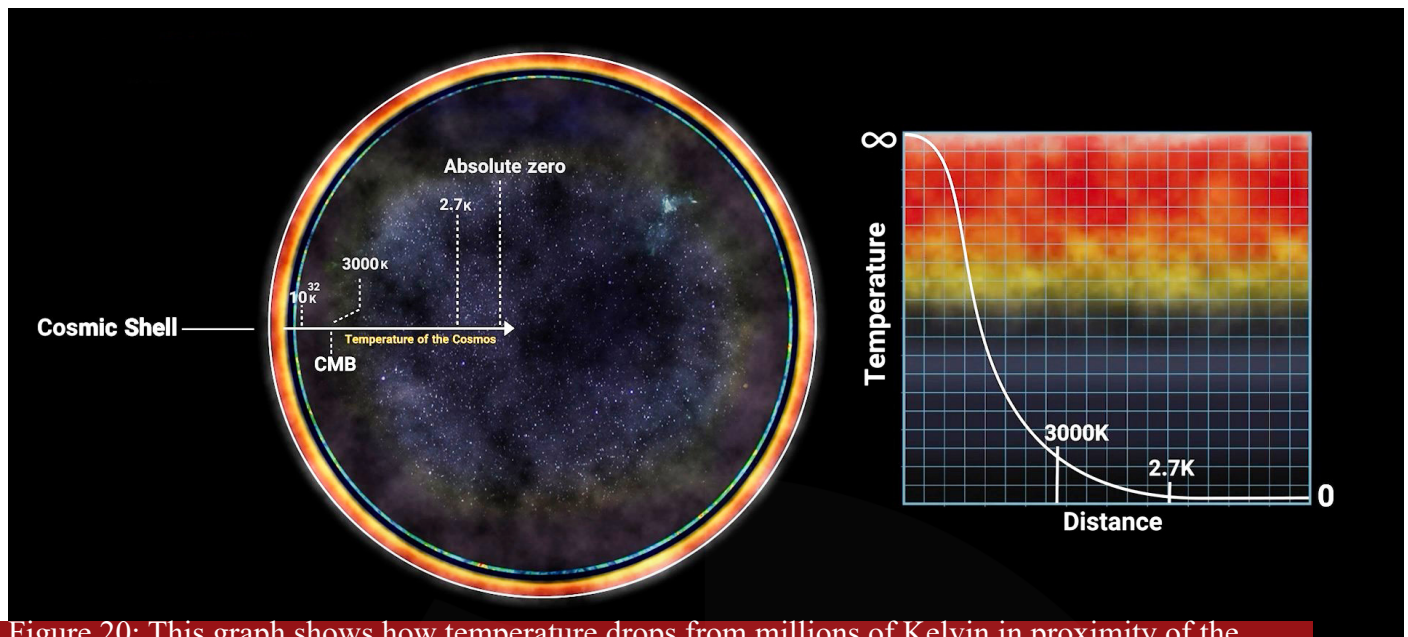


Figure 20: This graph shows how temperature drops from millions of Kelvin in proximity of the Shell, to 2.7 Kelvin at the inner regions of the cosmos, and zero at the terminal edge (final stage of rebound).

In conclusion, from the perspective of T-Consciousness Cosmology, evidence such as: 1. the redshift of distant galaxies, 2. the cosmic microwave background radiation, which shows a nearly uniform temperature across the sky, and 3. the abundance of light elements, matching the predicted amounts from nucleosynthesis that occurred in the early universe,

all point to the decomposition of TAM (Cosmic Shell) and the matter generation that comes from it. The above-mentioned pieces of evidence can be re-visited by cosmologists in accordance with the Spherical Cosmos Model.

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