

Modified gravity

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Reading list

- “Dark Energy” Amendola & Tsujikawa, Cambridge University Press
- “Dynamics of Dark Energy” Copeland, Sami & Tsujikawa hep-th/0603057
- “Modified Gravity and Cosmology” Clifton, Ferreira, Padilla and Skordis
arXiv:1106.2476
- “Beyond the Cosmological standard model” Joyce, Jain, Khoury and Trodden
arXiv:1407.0059
- “Cosmological Tests of Modified Gravity” KK arXiv:1504.04623

Observational evidence and cosmological constant

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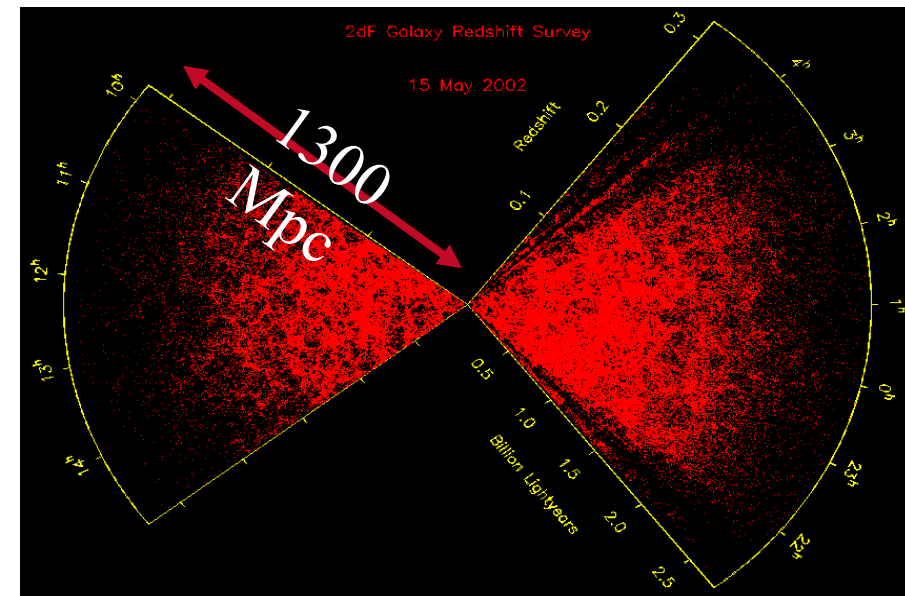
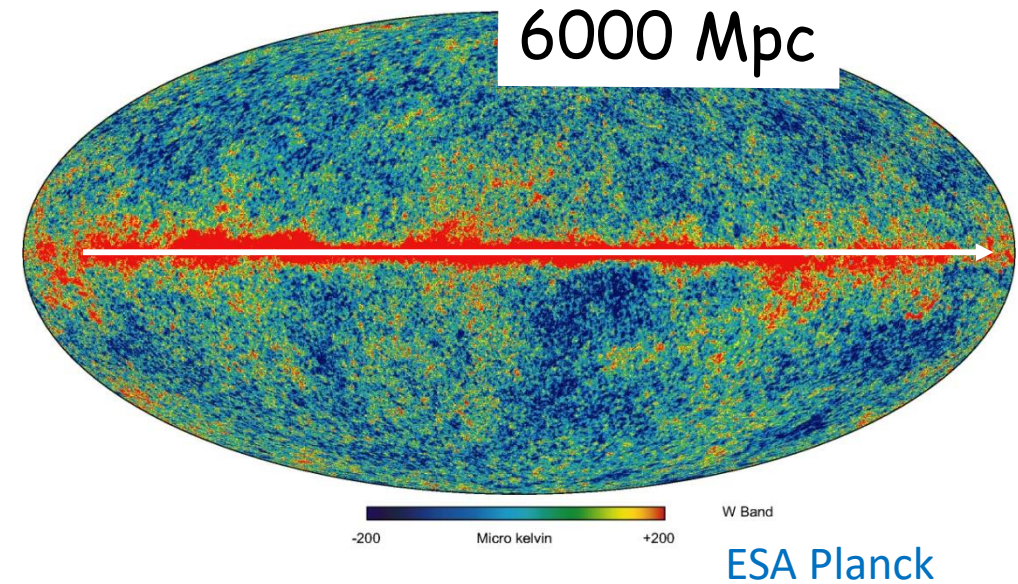
Basic assumptions (1)

Isotropy and homogeneity

- Isotropy
CMB fluctuations

$$\frac{\Delta T}{T} \approx 10^{-5}$$

- Homogeneity
galaxy distribution



2dF galaxy redshift survey

- Friedmann-Robertson-Walker (FRW) metric

$$ds^2 = -c^2 dt^2 + a(t)^2 \gamma_{ij} dx^i dx^j$$

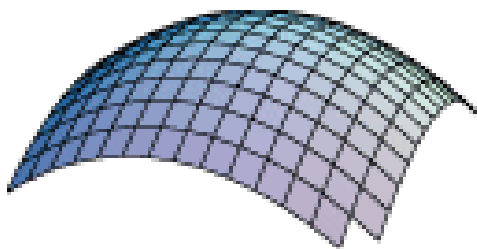
$$ds_3^2 = \gamma_{ij} dx^i dx^j = d\chi^2 + \begin{cases} \sin^2 \chi \\ \chi^2 \\ \sinh^2 \chi \end{cases} (d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2)$$

$$^{(3)}R_{ijkl} = K(\gamma_{ik}\gamma_{jl} - \gamma_{il}\gamma_{jk}) : \text{3D curvature}$$

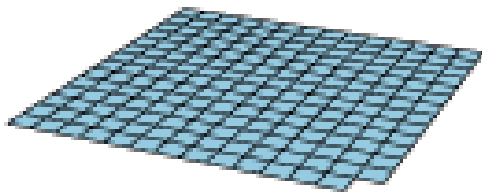
$$S^3 : K = 1$$

$$E^3 : K = 0$$

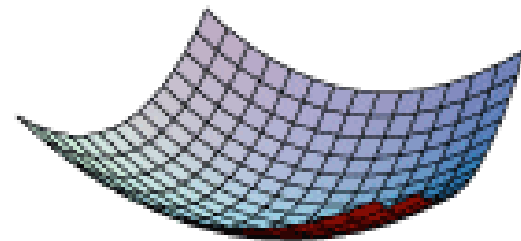
$$H^3 : K = -1$$



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Basic assumption (2)

- General Relativity (GR)

$$\boxed{G_{\mu\nu} = R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2} g_{\mu\nu} R} = \boxed{8\pi G T_{\mu\nu}}$$

- Matter geometry matter

$$T^{\mu}_{\nu} = (\rho + P)u^{\mu}u_{\nu} + P\delta^{\mu}_{\nu} \quad u^{\mu} = (-1, 0, 0, 0)$$

- Bianchi identity $\nabla^{\mu}G_{\mu\nu} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \nabla^{\mu}T_{\mu\nu} = 0$

Friedman equation

- Einstein equations

$$H(t)^2 \equiv \left(\frac{\dot{a}}{a} \right)^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho - \frac{K}{a^2}$$

$$\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} = -\frac{4\pi G}{3} (\rho + 3P)$$

- Energy-momentum conservation

$$\dot{\rho} + 3H(\rho + P) = 0, \quad \rho = \sum_i \rho_i$$

- Two of these equations are independent

Three unknown quantities a, ρ, P

➡ we need to specify the equation of state $w = P / \rho$

Basic assumption (3)

- We introduce dark energy in addition to “known” matter such as baryons, cold dark matter and radiation and assume that they satisfy the conservation equation independently

$$\dot{\rho}_i + 3H(1 + w_i)\rho_i = 0, \quad w_i = \frac{P_i}{\rho_i} \quad \rho_i \propto a^{-3(1+w_i)}$$

- equation of state

$$w_r = \frac{1}{3}, \quad w_m = 0, \quad w_{DE} = ?$$

- Density parameter

$$\Omega_i = \frac{8\pi G\rho_i}{3H^2}, \quad \Omega_K = -\frac{K}{(aH)^2} \quad \sum_i \Omega_i = 1$$

What we measure

- Distance **assumption (1)**

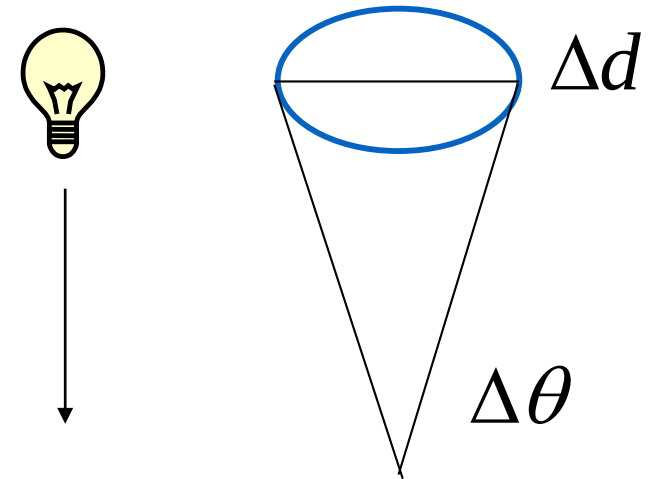
$$ds_3^2 = d\chi^2 + f_K(\chi)^2 (d\theta^2 + \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2), \quad f_K = \frac{1}{\sqrt{-K}} \sinh(\sqrt{-K} \chi)$$

$$\chi = -\int_{t_0}^t \frac{c}{a(t')} dt' = \frac{c}{a_0 H_0} \int_0^z \frac{dz'}{E(z')}, \quad E(z) = \frac{H(z)}{H_0}$$

- Luminosity distance and angular diameter distance

$$d_L = f_K(\chi)(1+z) \quad \text{redshift} \quad 1+z = \frac{a_0}{a}$$

$$d_A = \frac{d_L}{(1+z)^2}$$



- Age of the universe

$$t = \int_0^{t_0} dt = H_0^{-1} \int_0^z \frac{dz'}{E(z)(1+z)}$$

- The present day Hubble parameter

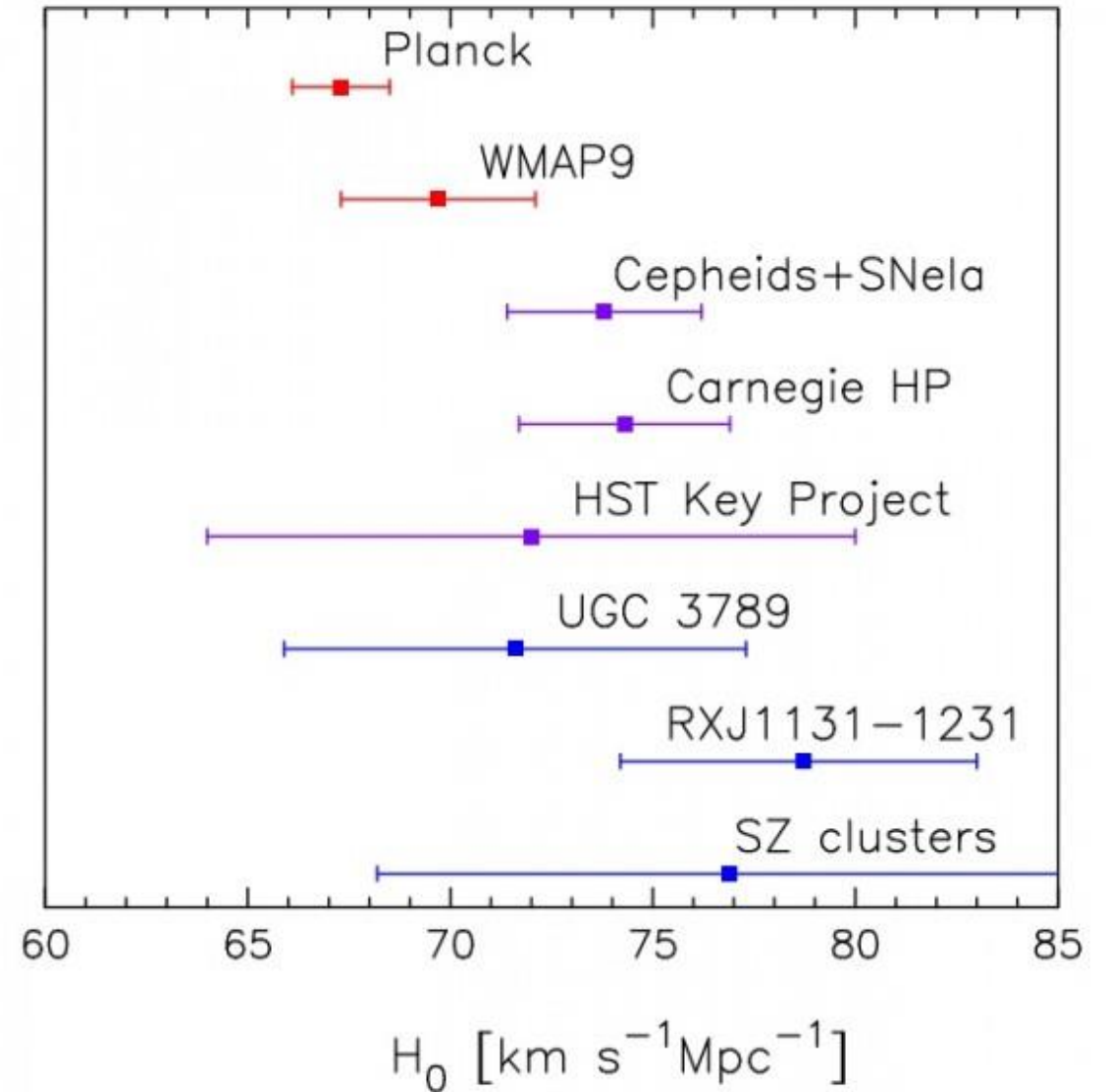
$$H_0^{-1} = 9.78 \times 10^9 h^{-1} \text{ years}$$

$$cH_0^{-1} = 2998 h^{-1} \text{ Mpc}$$

$$H_0 = 2.13 \times 10^{-42} h^{-1} \text{ GeV}$$

- Distance at small redshifts

$$d_L \approx d_A \approx c H_0^{-1} z$$

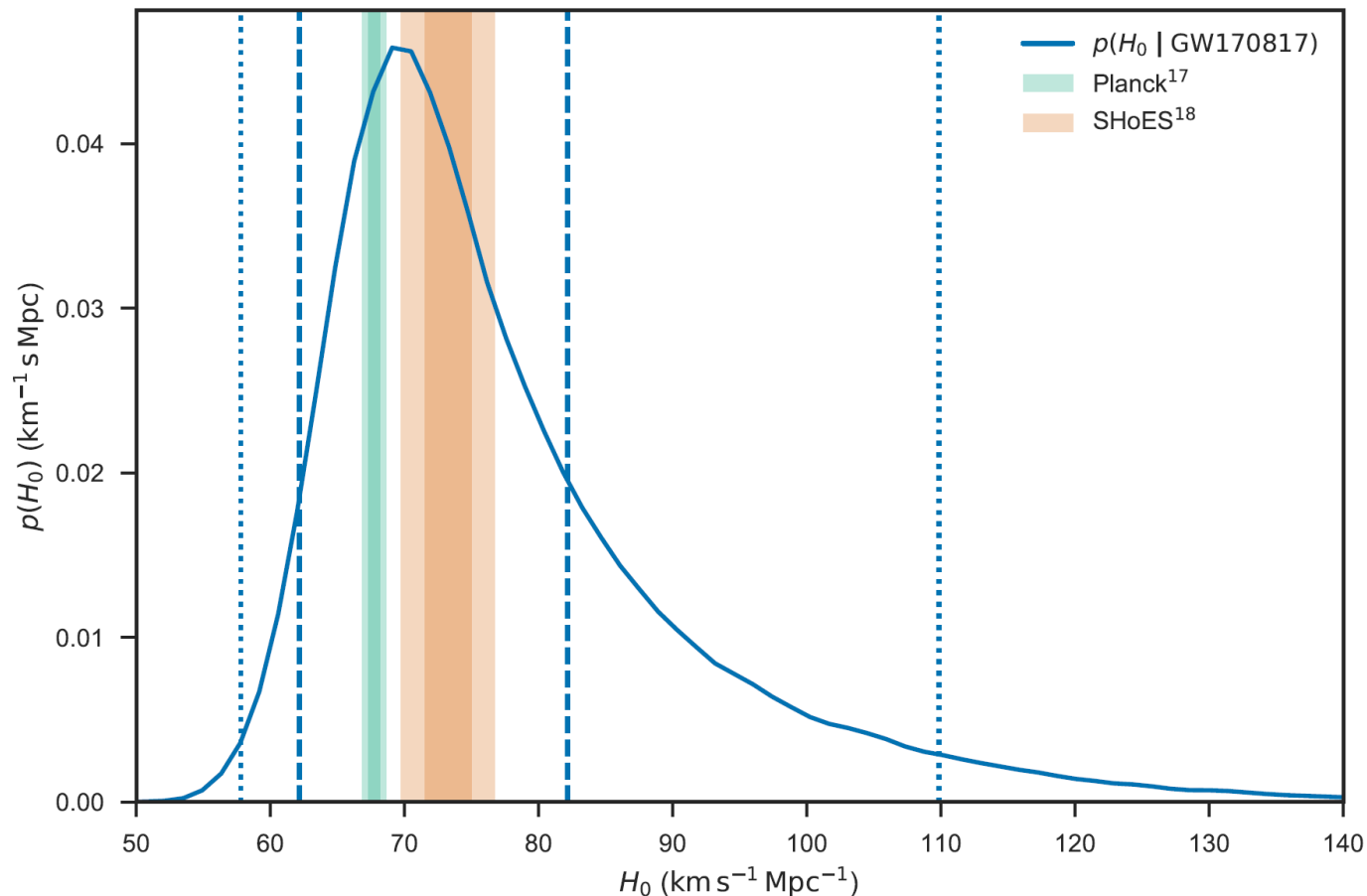


Riess et.al.
arXiv:1604.01424

ESA Planck

A new constraint from gravitational waves

- Gravitational sirens (GW170817)



Distance to a neutron star merger in NGC4993

$$d_L = 43.8^{+2.9}_{-6.9} \text{ Mpc}$$

Recession velocity

$$v = 3017 \pm 166 \text{ km s}^{-1}$$

Theoretical predictions

- Now we use **assumption (2) and (3)**

$$E(z)^2 = \Omega_{m0}(1+z)^3 + \Omega_{r0}(1+z)^4 + \Omega_{K0}(1+z)^2 + \Omega_{DE} \exp \left[3 \int_0^z dz' \frac{1+w_{DE}(z')}{1+z'} \right]$$

- LCDM model

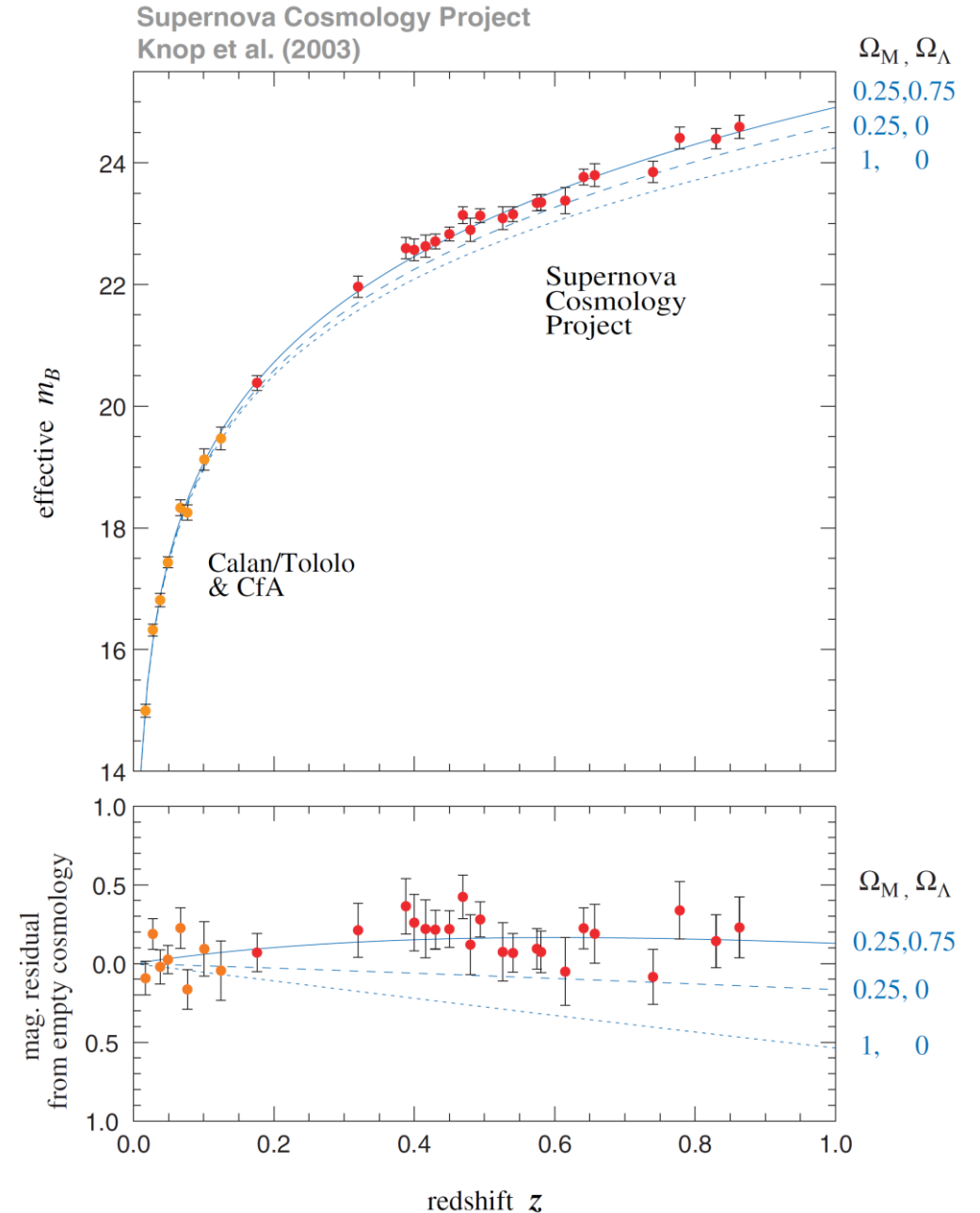
$$w_{DE} = -1, \quad \Omega_{DE0} = \Omega_{\Lambda}, \quad (\Omega_{r0} = 8 \times 10^{-5})$$

- Distance measurements

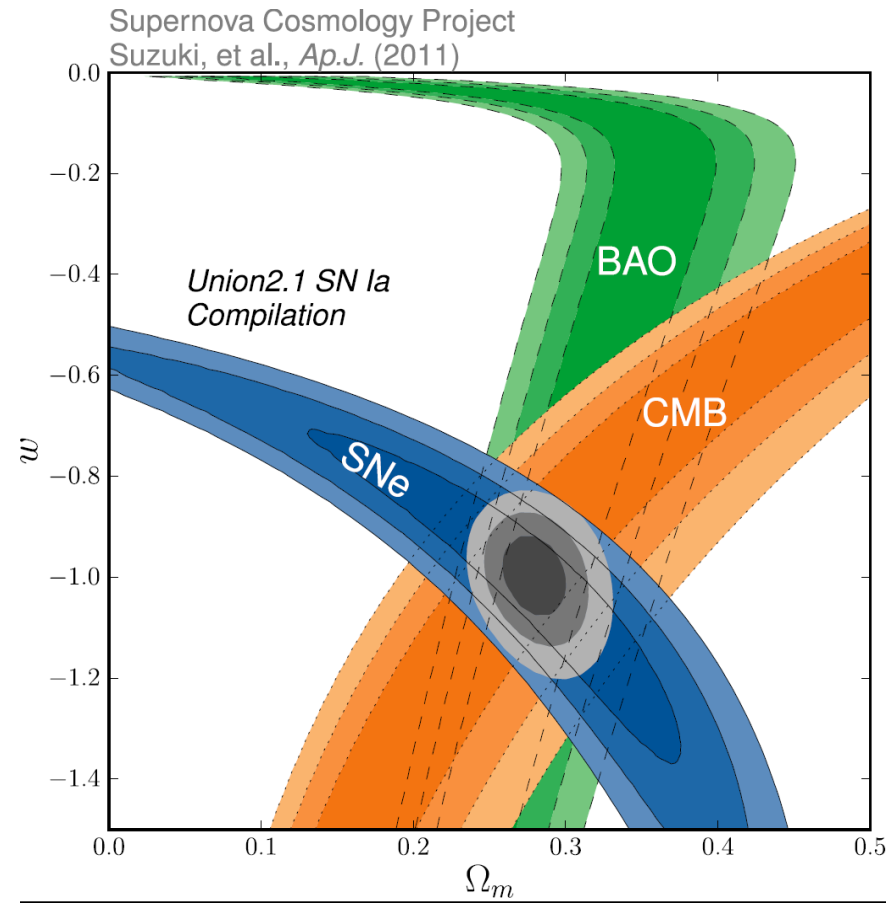
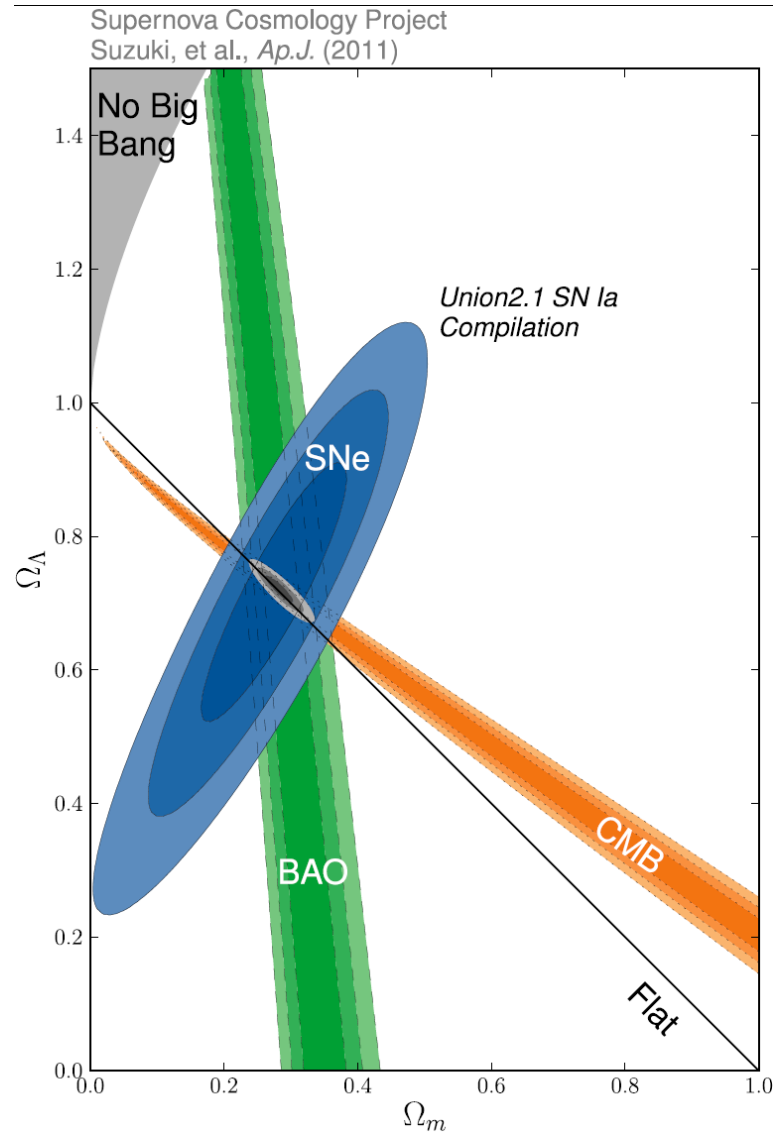
Supernovae d_L

Cosmic Microwave, d_A

Baryon Acoustic Oscillations d_A



This is what we found



Cosmological constant

- Action
$$S = \frac{1}{16\pi G} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} (R - 2\Lambda)$$

Einstein equations
$$G_{\mu\nu} + \Lambda g_{\mu\nu} = 8\pi G T_{\mu\nu}$$

$$H^2 = \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho - \frac{K}{a^2} + \frac{\Lambda}{3} \quad \rho_\Lambda = \frac{\Lambda}{8\pi G} = -P_\Lambda$$

$$\frac{\ddot{a}}{a} = -\frac{4\pi G}{3} (\rho + 3P) + \frac{\Lambda}{3}$$

cosmological constant does not diminish by the expansion of the universe and the expansion of the Universe accelerates $\ddot{a} > 0$

Why should we bother?

- What's the problem?

LCDM works well to explain observations

The cosmological constant can be included in Einstein's GR

- Energy scales (natural unit $\hbar = c = k_B = 1$)

$$m_{pl} = G^{-1/2} = 1.22 \times 10^{19} \text{ GeV} \qquad H_0 = 2.13 \times 10^{-42} \text{ h}^{-1} \text{ GeV}$$

$$\rho_\Lambda = \frac{\Lambda}{8\pi G} = \frac{m_{pl}^2 \Lambda}{8\pi} \approx \frac{m_{pl}^2 H_0^2}{8\pi} \approx 10^{-48} \text{ GeV}^4 \approx (10^{-3} \text{ eV})^4$$

Vacuum energy

- Quantum fields have zero-point energy
massive fields (boson and fermion)

$$E = g_i \frac{\hbar \omega}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{p^2 + m^2}, \quad g_{\text{boson}} = 1, \quad g_{\text{fermion}} = -1$$

vacuum energy

$$\rho_{\text{vac}} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i g_i \int_0^\infty \frac{d^3 p}{(2\pi)^3} \sqrt{p^2 + m_i^2} \quad p^2 \gg m^2$$
$$\approx \sum_i \frac{g_i}{16\pi^2} \left[p_{\text{max}}^4 + m_i^2 p_{\text{max}}^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_i^4 \ln \left(\frac{m_i}{p_{\text{max}}} \right) \right]$$

This depends on Ultra-Violet (UV) physics but it is robust that there is a contribution of order $O(m^4)$

Vacuum energy is huge

- The observed cosmological constant

$$\rho_{vac} \approx (10^{-3} \text{ eV})^4 \quad m < 10^{-3} \text{ eV}$$

electron $\rho_{vac} \approx m_e^4 = (0.5 \text{ MeV})^4$

if $m = m_{pl}, \rho_{vac} = m_{pl}^4 = 10^{120} \rho_{\Lambda}^{obs}$

- Phase transition

vacuum energy change by phase transitions

electroweak $\Delta\rho_{vac} \approx (200 \text{ GeV})^4$

QCD $\Delta\rho_{vac} \approx (0.3 \text{ GeV})^4$

Is vacuum energy real?

- Casimir energy

$$\phi(\vec{x}) = \phi(\vec{x} + L\vec{n}), \quad \vec{p} = \left(\frac{n\pi}{d}, p_y, p_z \right), \quad n = 1, 2, 3 \dots$$

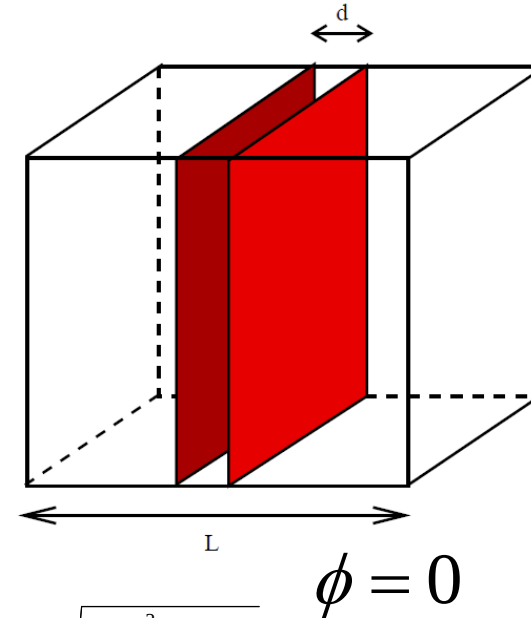
zero-point energy per unit area

$$\frac{E(d)}{A} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int \frac{dp_y dp_z}{(2\pi)^2} \left[\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\left(\frac{n\pi}{d} \right)^2 + p_y^2 + p_z^2} \right] F_{reg}(a), \quad F_{reg}(a) = e^{-a \sqrt{\left(\frac{n\pi}{d} \right)^2 + p_y^2 + p_z^2}}$$

$\phi = 0$

total energy $E_{tot}(d) = E(L-d) + E(d)$ depend on d and diverges as $a \rightarrow 0$ but the force between the two plates is finite

$$F = -\frac{1}{A} \frac{\partial E_{tot}(d)}{\partial d} = -\frac{\hbar c \pi^2}{480 d^4}$$



Old cosmological constant problem

- Zero-point energy is not important in quantum field theory in flat spacetime (cf. Casimir force is determined by $\partial E(d)/\partial d$ not $E(d)$)

- In GR, matter curves spacetime including vacuum energy.

$$\rho_{vac} \approx m_e^4 = (0.5 \text{ MeV})^4 \quad H \approx \frac{m_e^2}{m} = (10^6 \text{ km})^{-1}$$

- Fine tuning

$$\Lambda_{obs} = \Lambda_{vacuum} + \Lambda \quad S = \frac{1}{16\pi G} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} (R - 2\Lambda)$$

vacuum energy is very sensitive to UV physics thus tuning is not stable under radiative corrections

Many attempts

- Symmetry

supersymmetry

$$\rho_{vac} \approx \sum_i \frac{g_i}{32\pi^2} m_i^4 \ln\left(\frac{m_i}{p_{\max}}\right) \quad g_{boson} = -g_{fermion} \quad \rho_{vac} = 0$$

but we know supersymmetry is broken at high energies $M_{SUSY} > \text{TeV}$, $\rho_{vac} = O(\text{TeV}^4)$

Naturalness

If the theory has an enhanced symmetry with $\Lambda = 0$ that is valid at quantum level, the small $\Lambda_{obs} = \Lambda_{vacuum} + \Lambda$ is technically natural as quantum corrections arise only from non-zero Λ

New cosmological constant problem

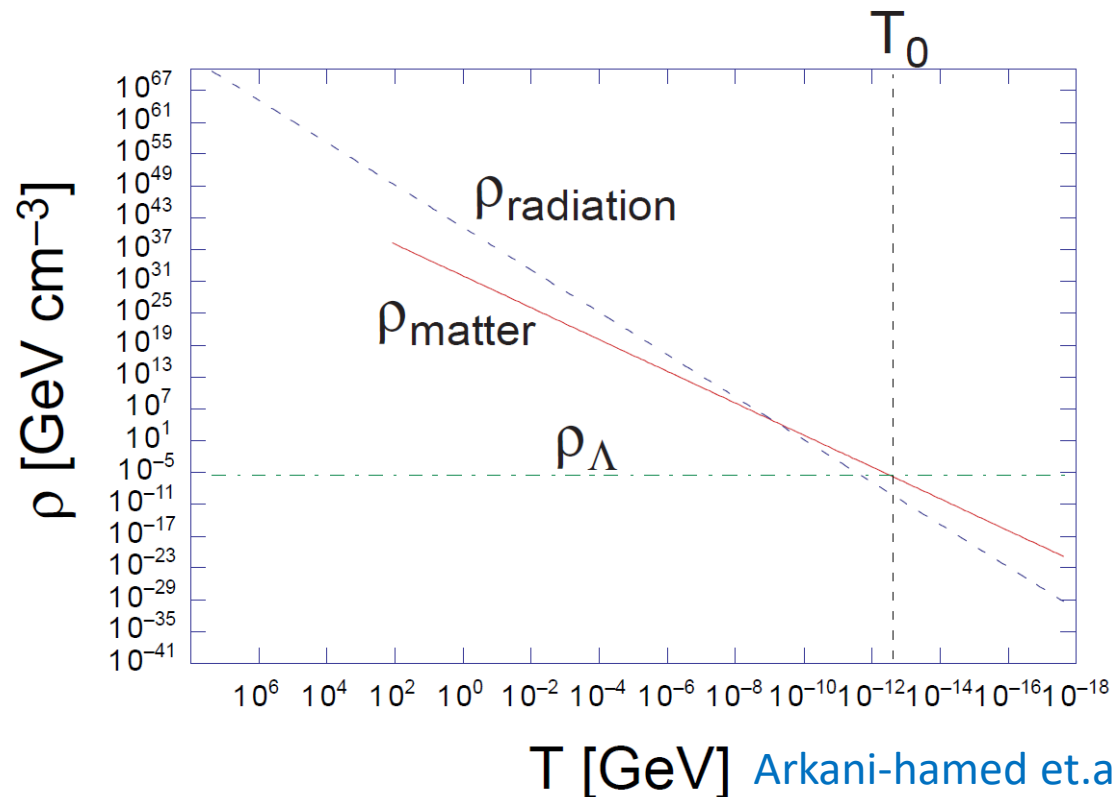
- Assume that the old cosmological constant is solved, we then need to explain why the expansion of the Universe appears to be accelerating now

- Coincidence problem

why $\Omega_{\Lambda} \approx \Omega_m$

anthropic principle

otherwise we don't exist



So, we should bother!

We know vacuum energy exists, but it does not gravitate in the way it should in GR. It is important to know whether the acceleration of the Universe is caused by the (fine-tuned) cosmological constant or not.

It is important to reconsider all the assumptions:

1. Homogeneity and Isotropy
2. General Relativity
3. Matter content of the Universe

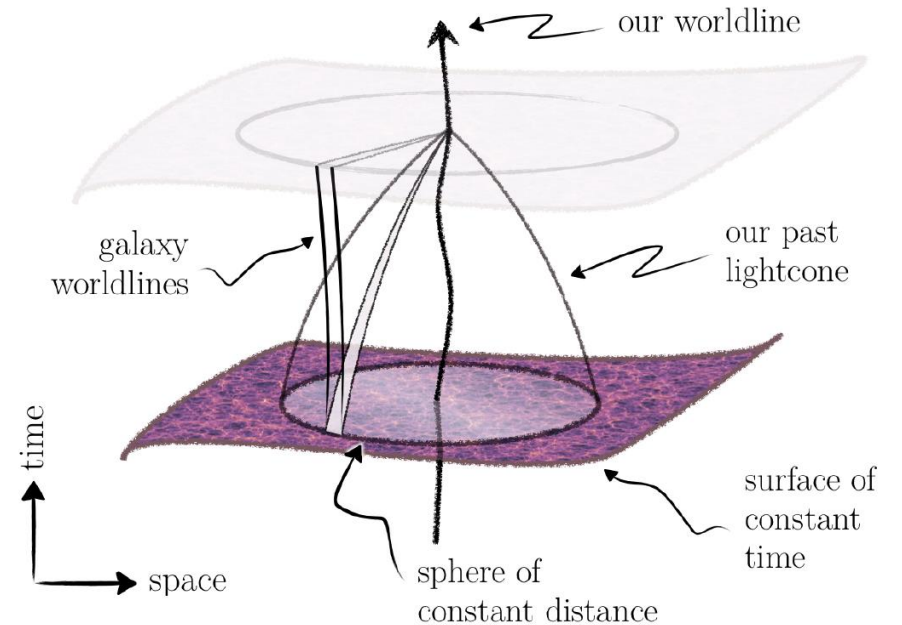
Assumption (1)

1. The Copernican principle: we are not at a special location in the universe
2. The cosmological principle: on large scales, the universe is homogeneous and isotropic

- FRW metric

If all observers measure isotropic distance-redshift relation, then the spacetime is FRW

We need the Copernican principle to show the cosmological principle but this is hard to test



Assumption (1)

- Void models

If we happen to live inside a void with low densities, the expansion of the universe appears to be accelerating

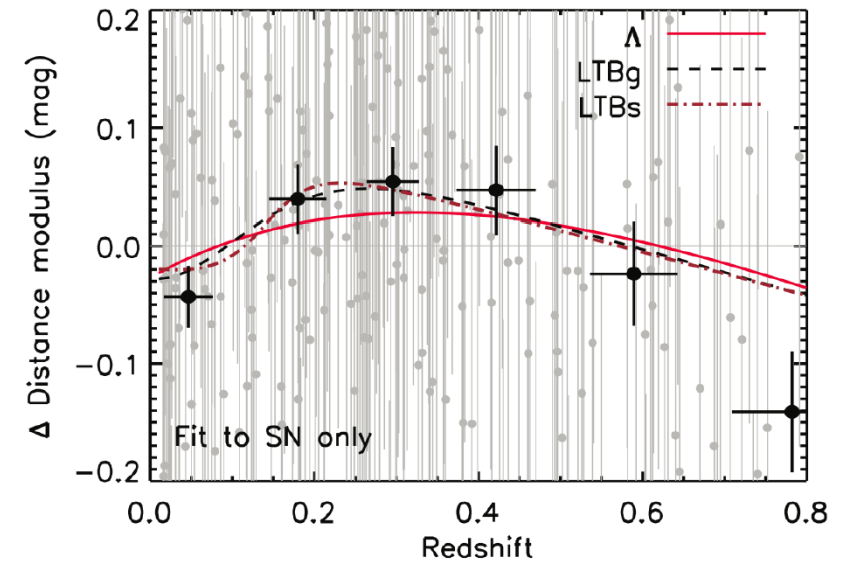
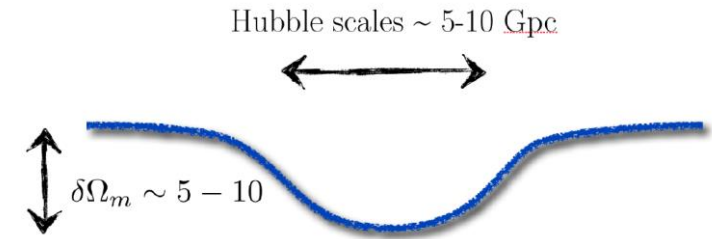
ex.) Lemaitre-Tolman-Bondi model

$$ds^2 = -dt^2 + \frac{a_{//}^2(t, r)}{1 - K(r)r^2} dr^2 + a_{\perp}^2(t, r) r^2 d\Omega^2$$

a simple model is ruled out

low H_0 , radial velocities of clusters

(kinetic Sunyaev-Zeldovich effect)



Clarkson 1204.5505

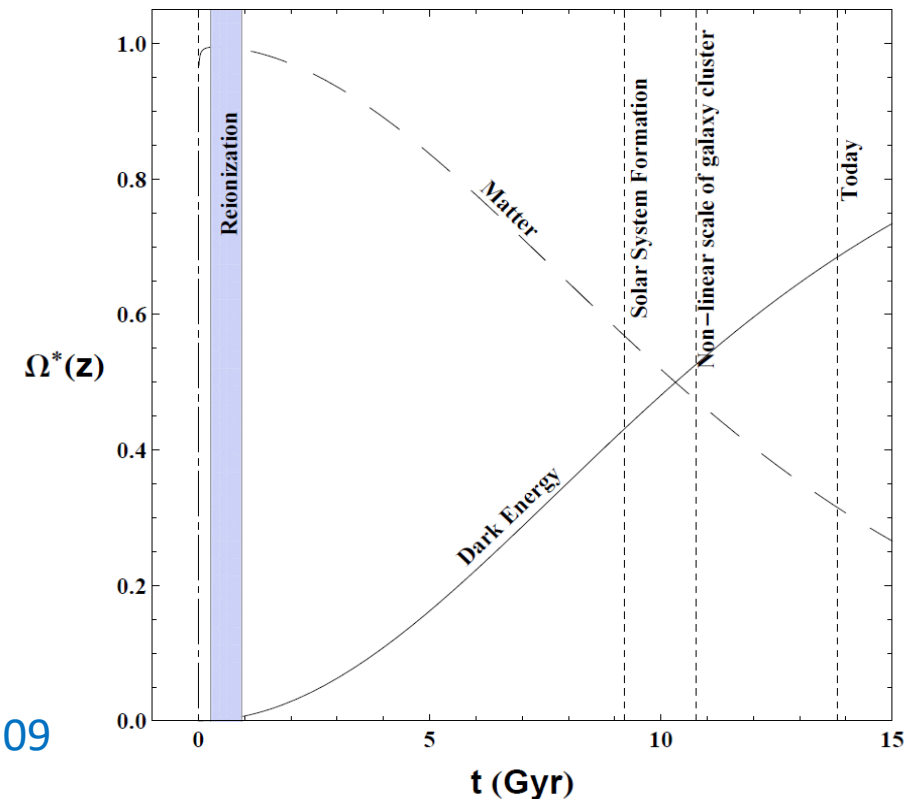
Back-reaction

- The Universe becomes inhomogeneous at late time. If the back-reaction of these inhomogeneities cause the acceleration, we can solve the coincident problem.

long-standing debates on the magnitude of the effect on the expansion of the Universe from small scale inhomogeneity.

It is difficult to explain the acceleration although it is also difficult to prove this rigorously.

[Velten. et.al. 1410.2509](#)



Assumption (2)

- Why we believe in general relativity?
 - Observational point of view
GR is tested to very high accuracies by solar system experiments and pulsar timing measurements [Will gr-qc/0510072](#)
 - Theoretical point of view
GR is the unique metric theory in 4D that gives second order differential equations

Solar system tests

- Post-Newtonian parameter

$$g_{00} = -1 + 2GU \quad U = \frac{M}{r} \quad \gamma = 0: \text{"Newtonian"}$$

$$g_{ij} = \delta_{ij}(1 + 2\gamma GU) \quad \gamma = 1: \text{GR}$$

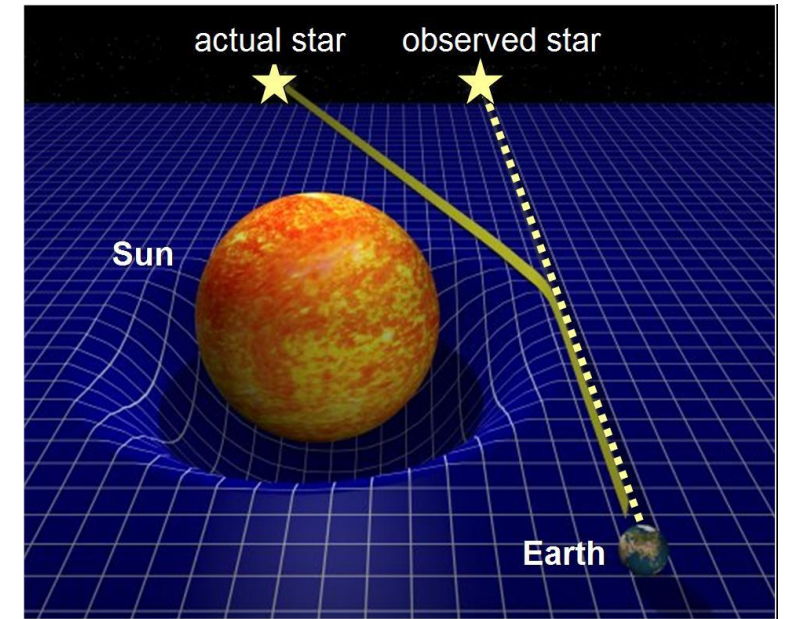
- Bending of lights

$$\theta = 2(1 + \gamma) \frac{M_{\odot}}{r} = \frac{1 + \gamma}{2} \theta_{GR}$$

$$\theta = (0.99992 \pm 0.00023) \times 1.75'' \quad \gamma - 1 = (-1.7 \pm 4.5) \times 10^{-4}$$

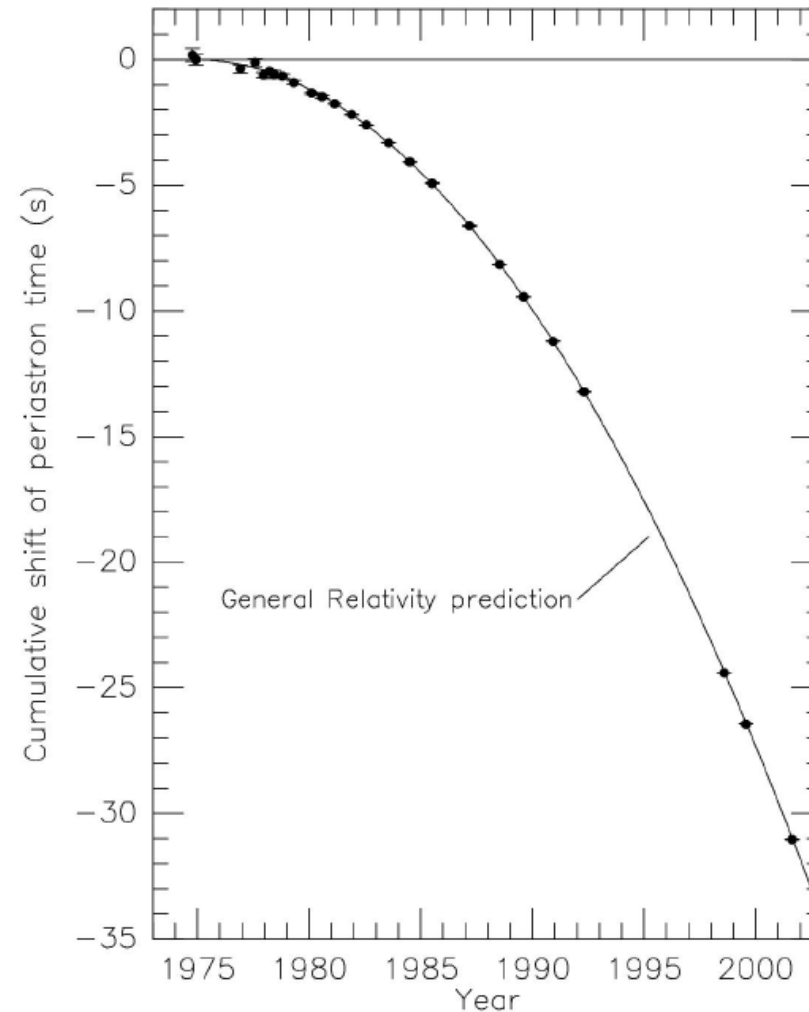
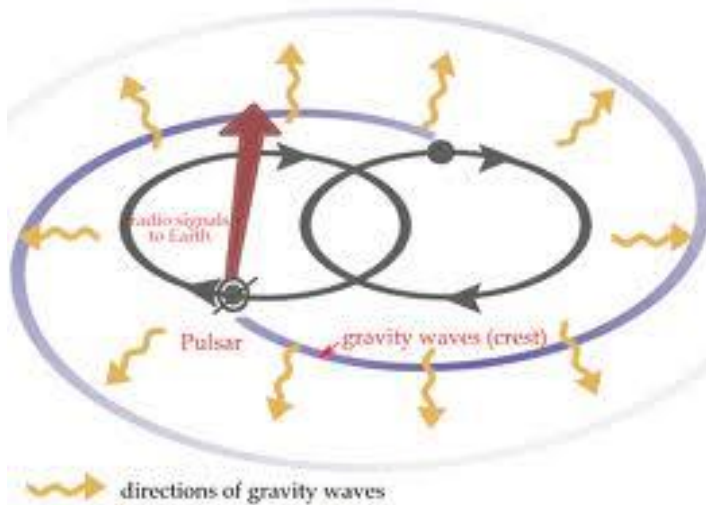
- Shapiro time delay

$$\Delta t = (1.00001 \pm 0.0001) \times \Delta t_{GR} \quad \gamma - 1 = (2.1 \pm 2.3) \times 10^{-5}$$



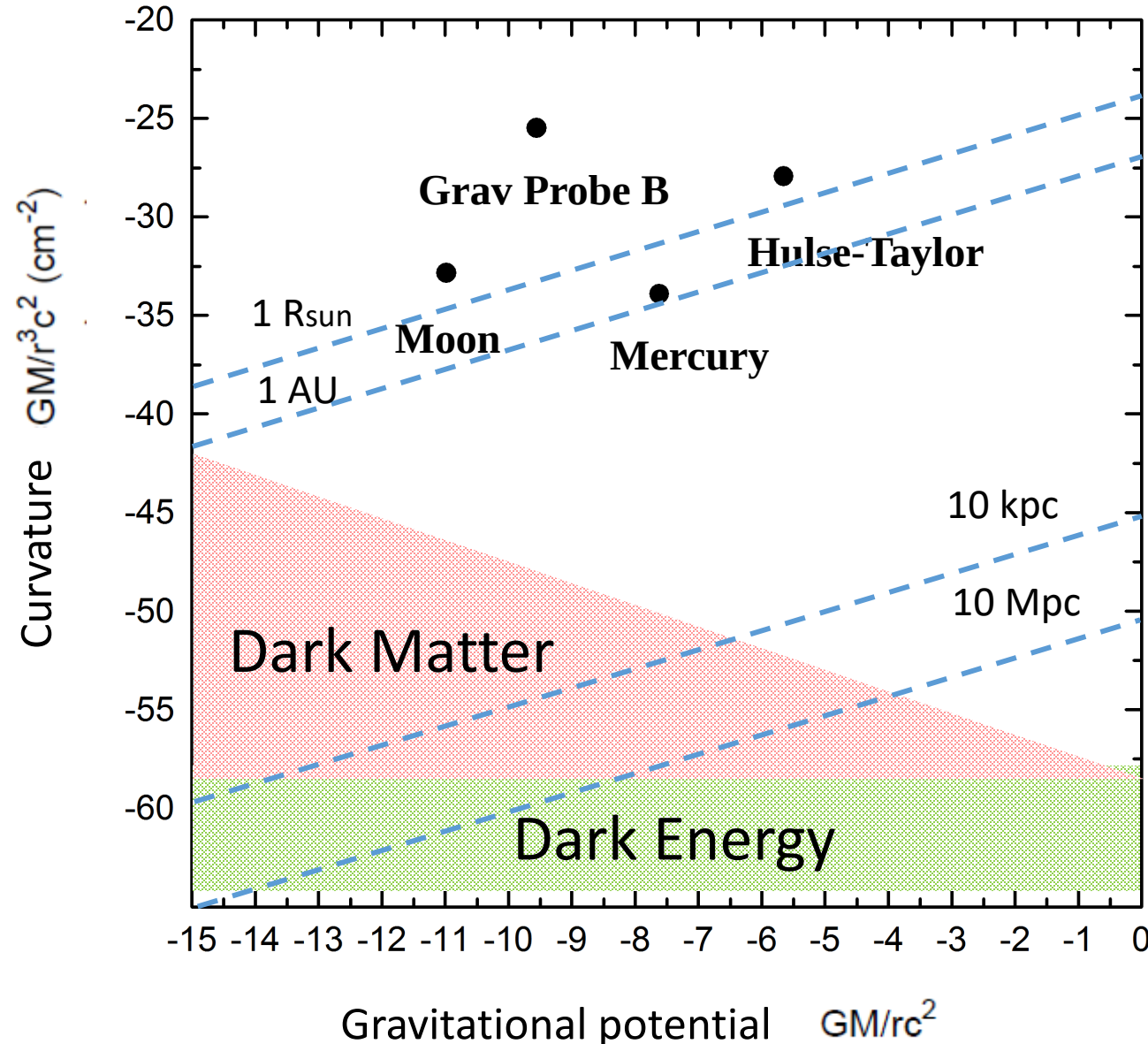
Pulsar timing

- Hulse & Taylor binary pulsar
Orbital decay due to gravitational waves perfectly agrees with GR prediction



Tests of GR

Psaltis Living Rev. Relativity 11 (2008), 9
Baker et.al. ApJ 802 63 (2015)

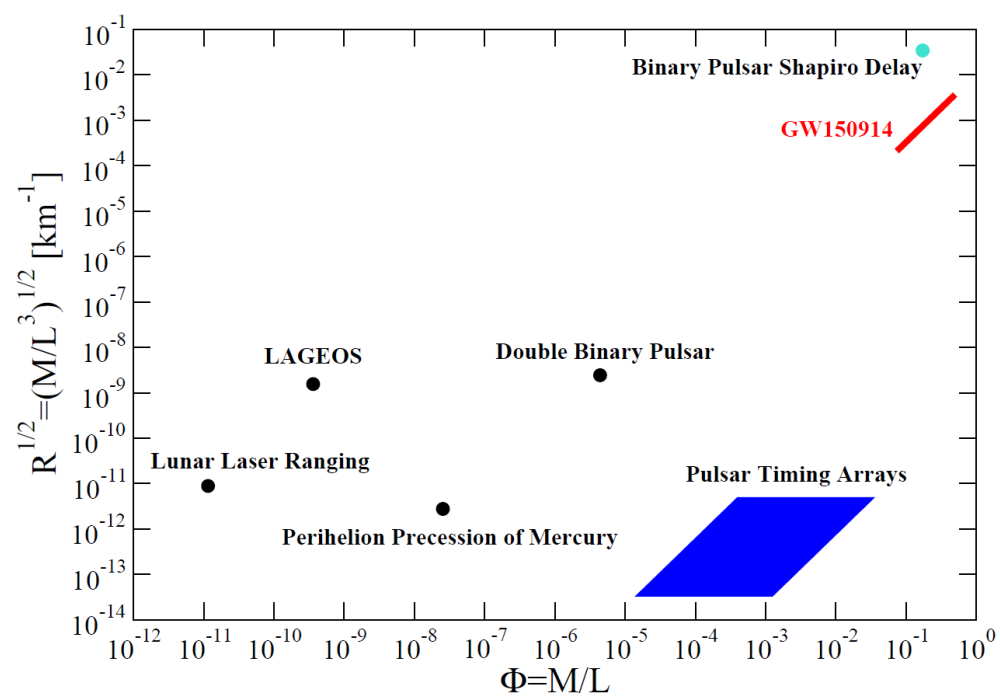


curvature

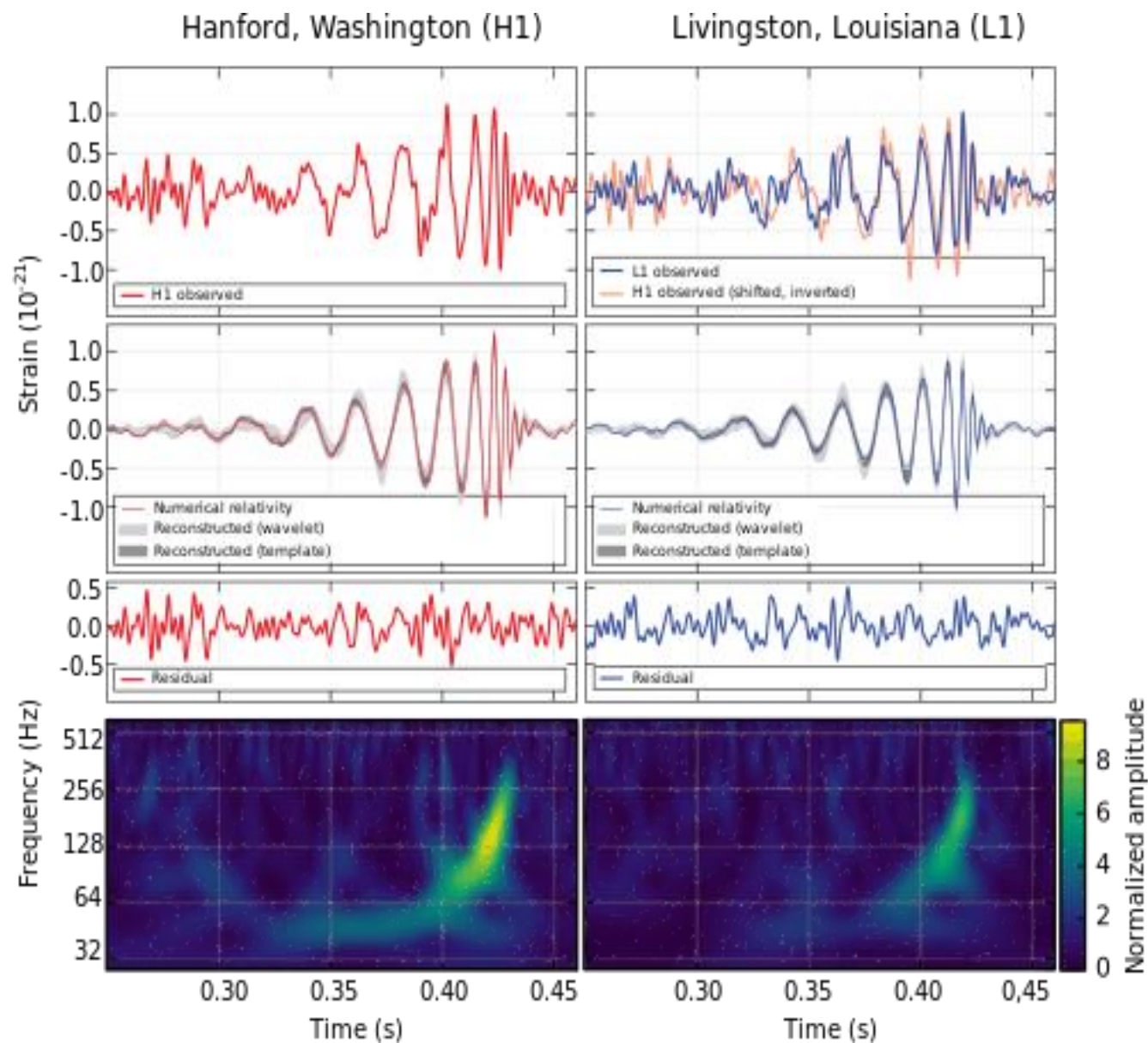
$$R = \frac{GM}{r^3 c^2}$$

potential

$$\Psi = \frac{GM}{rc^2}$$



Yunes et.al. 1603.08955



LIGO collaboration

Assumption (3)

- What is dark energy

In the background, all information is encoded in the equation of state

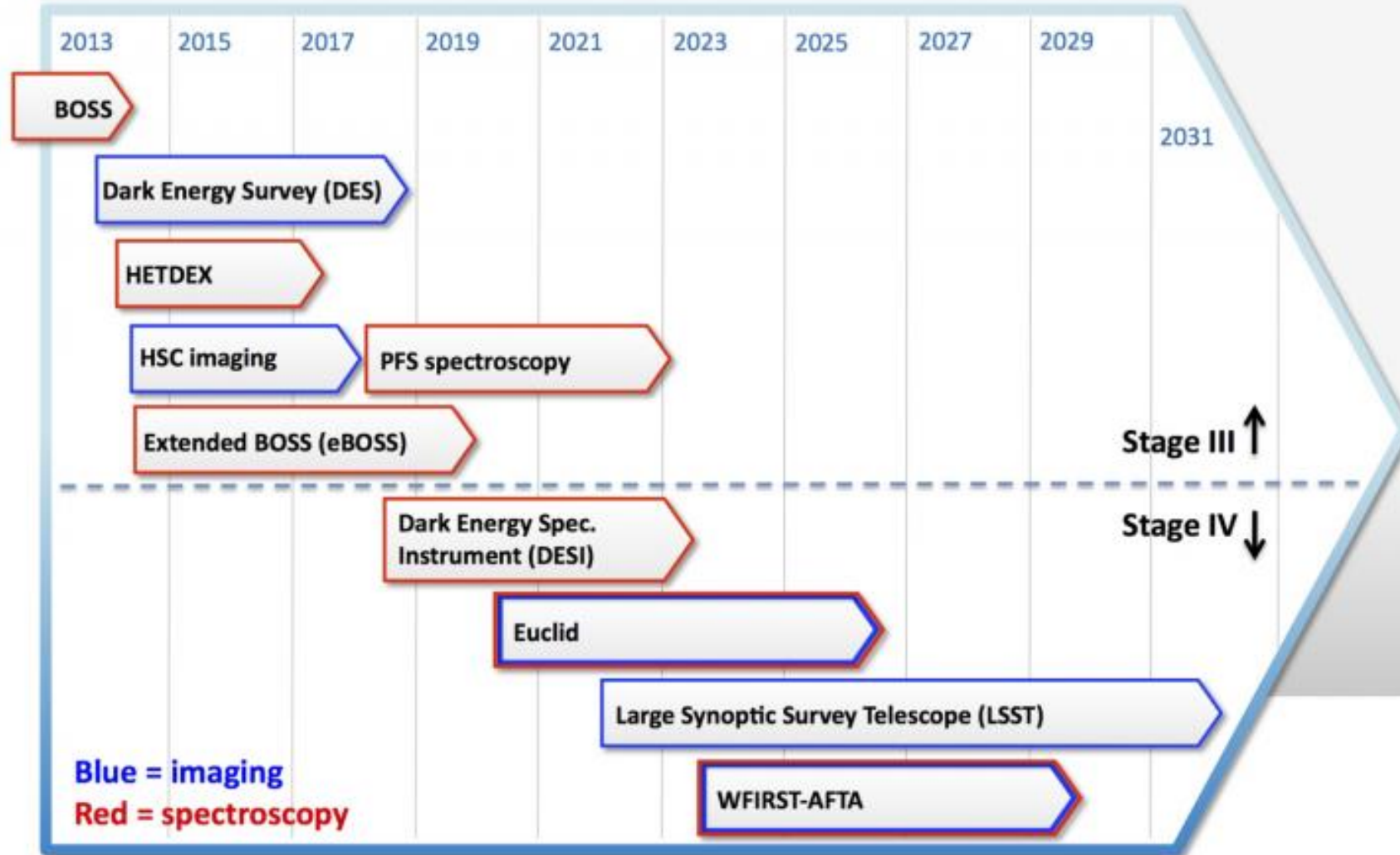
$$w_{DE} = \frac{P_{DE}}{\rho_{DE}}$$

what are the candidates for dynamical DE $w_{DE}(z)$

- How to distinguish between DE and modifications of gravity

$$G_{\mu\nu} + G_{\mu\nu}^{MG} = 8\pi G \left(T_{\mu\nu} + T_{\mu\nu}^{DE} \right)$$

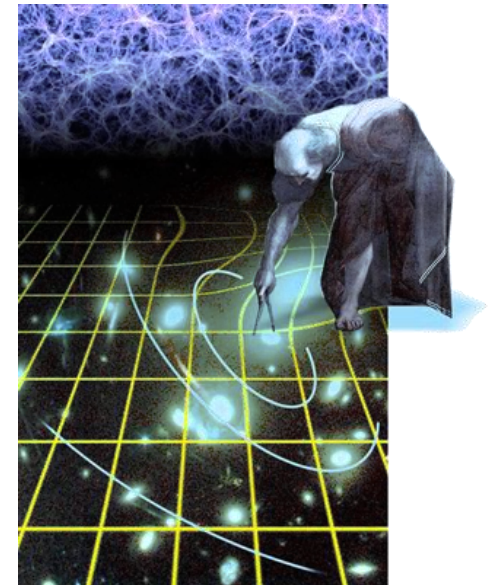
Dark Energy Experiments: 2013 - 2031



Euclid (2020-)

<http://sci.esa.int/euclid/>

R-L0	The Euclid Mission will by itself allow us to • understand the nature of the apparent acceleration of the Universe and • test gravity on cosmological scales from the measurement of the cosmic expansion history and the growth rate of structures.
R-L0.1	To determine the nature of the apparent acceleration, Euclid will distinguish effects produced by a cosmological constant from those produced by a dynamical dark energy. This must be done by achieving a minimum $FoM > 400$ from Euclid data alone.
R-L0.2	To experience effects of gravity on cosmological scales, Euclid will probe the growth of structure and will separately constrain the two relativistic potentials, Ψ and Φ. This can be done by achieving an absolute 1σ precision of 0.02 on the growth index, γ, from Euclid data alone.



Models of dark energy and modified gravity

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Quintessence

- Scalar field

We now know a scale field exists (i.e. Higgs)

$$S = \frac{1}{16\pi G} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} R + S_\phi$$

$$S_\phi = \int d^4x \left[-\frac{1}{2} g^{\mu\nu} (\partial_\mu \phi)(\partial_\nu \phi) - V(\phi) \right]$$

energy momentum tensor

$$T_{\mu\nu}^\phi = (\partial_\mu \phi)(\partial_\nu \phi) - g_{\mu\nu} \left[\frac{1}{2} g^{\alpha\beta} (\partial_\alpha \phi)(\partial_\beta \phi) + V(\phi) \right]$$

$$T_{\mu\nu}^\phi = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{-g}} \frac{\delta(\sqrt{-g} L_\phi)}{\delta g^{\mu\nu}}$$

scalar field equation

$$\frac{\delta S_\phi}{\delta \phi} = 0 \quad \nabla^\mu \nabla_\mu \phi - V'(\phi) = 0 \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \nabla^\mu T_{\mu\nu}^\phi = 0$$

Background

- Energy density and pressure

$$\rho_\phi = -T_0^0 = \frac{1}{2}\dot{\phi}^2 + V(\phi) \quad \phi = \phi(t)$$

$$P_\phi = \frac{1}{3}T_i^i = \frac{1}{2}\dot{\phi}^2 - V(\phi)$$

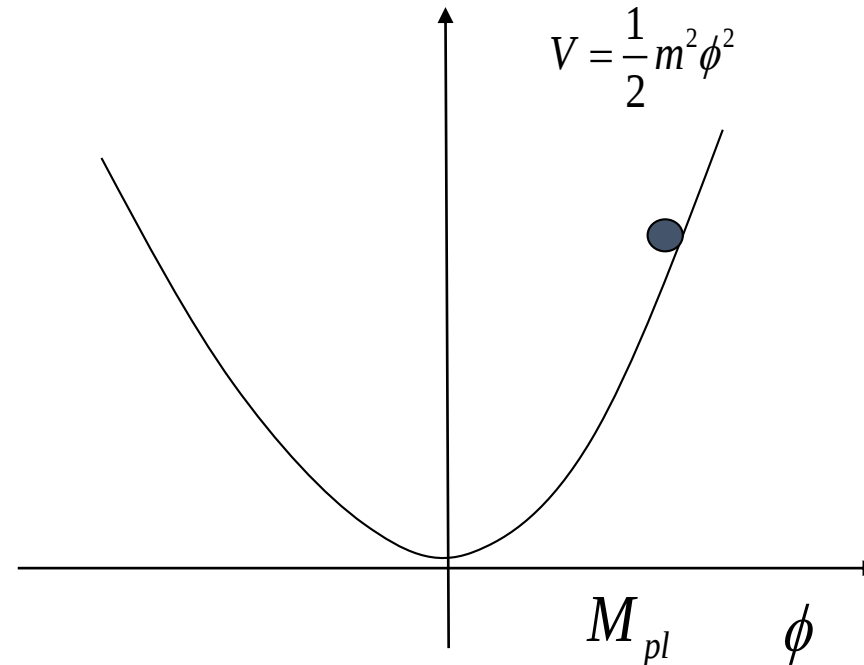
- Scalar field equation

$$\ddot{\phi} + \boxed{3H\dot{\phi}} + V'(\phi) = 0 \quad \longleftrightarrow \quad \dot{\rho}_\phi + 3H(\rho_\phi + P_\phi) = 0$$

friction

to realise the acceleration, the scalar field needs to slow-roll the potential

$$\dot{\phi}^2 \ll V(\phi) \quad w_\phi = \frac{P_\phi}{\rho_\phi} \approx -1$$



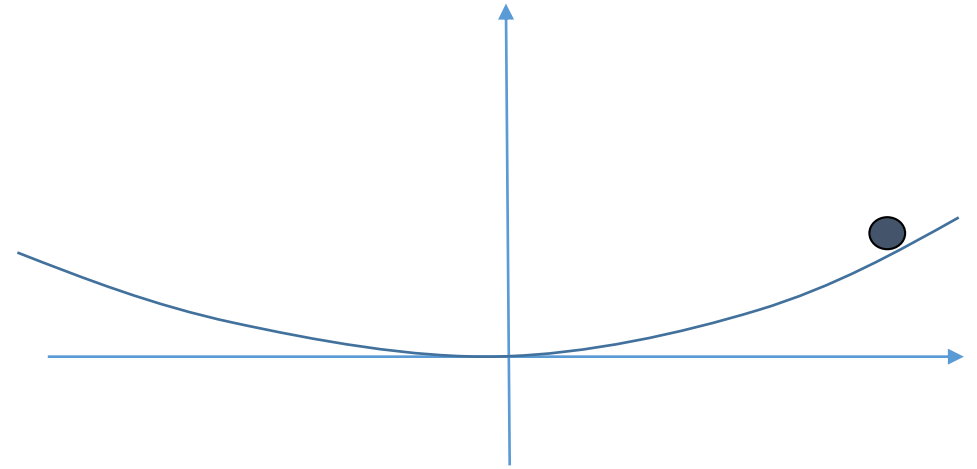
Equation of state

- Equation of state

$$1 + w_\phi = \frac{\dot{\phi}^2}{\rho_\phi} = \frac{V'^2}{9H^2(1 + \xi_\phi)^2 \rho_\phi} > 0, \quad \xi_\phi = \frac{\ddot{\phi}}{3H\dot{\phi}}$$

For $w_\phi \approx -1$, $\xi_\phi \ll 1$, $\rho_\phi \approx V$

$$1 + w_\phi \approx \frac{2}{3} \varepsilon_\phi \Omega_\phi(a) \quad \varepsilon_\phi = \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \left(\frac{V'}{V} \right)^2, \quad \Omega_\phi = \frac{\rho_\phi}{\rho_\phi + \rho_m} \quad H^2 = \frac{\kappa^2}{3} (\rho_\phi + \rho_m) \quad \kappa^2 = 8\pi G = \frac{1}{M_{pl}^2}$$



Analogous to slow-roll approximations for inflation but the scalar field does not completely dominate the energy density

Quintessence potentials

- Freezing models

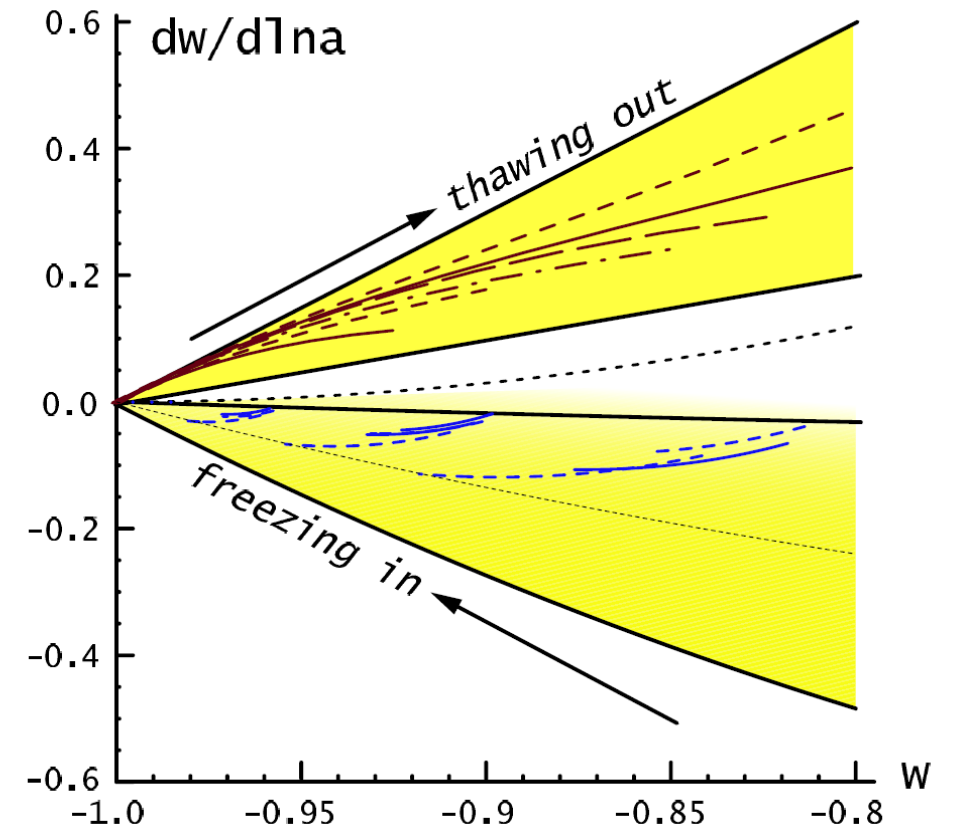
$$V(\phi) = M^{4+n} \phi^{-n}$$

The scalar field dynamics freezes at late time and approaches $w_\phi \approx -1$

- Thawing models

$$V(\phi) = M^4 \cos^2\left(\frac{\phi}{f}\right)$$

The scalar field is initially in the regions of $w_\phi \approx -1$ and later starts to roll down the potential



Linder & Caldwell astro-ph/0505494

Scaling solution

- Tracker solution

For some potentials, the energy density of the scalar field tracks that of matter/radiation

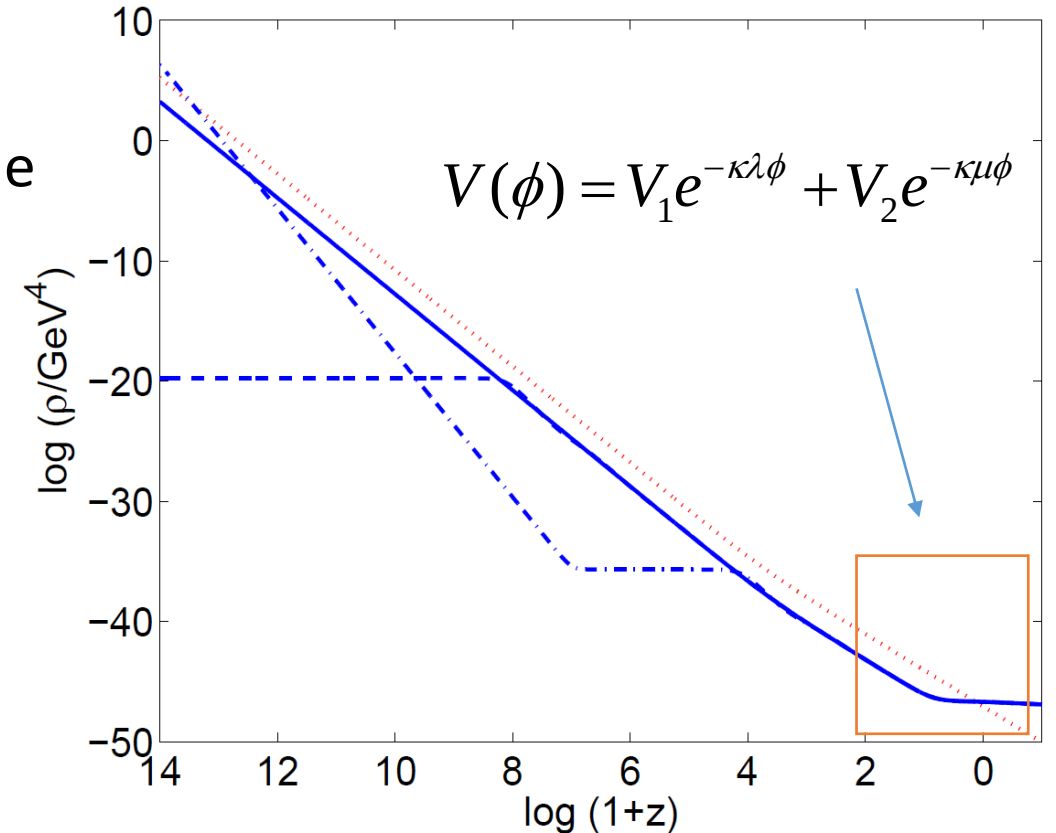
$$V(\phi) = V_0 e^{-\kappa\lambda\phi}, \quad \kappa^2 = 8\pi G = \frac{1}{M_{pl}^2}$$

If $\lambda^2 > 3(1 + w_M)$

there is an attractor where

$$w_\phi = w_M, \quad \Omega_\phi = \frac{3(1 + w_M)}{\lambda^2}$$

The late time solution is insensitive to the initial density of the scalar field (however we need $\lambda^2 < 2$ to have an accelerating solution)



Barreiro et.al. astro-ph/9910214

Fundamental issues

- Consider a massive scalar field

$$V(\phi) = \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi^2 \quad \varepsilon_\phi = \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \left(\frac{V'}{V} \right)^2 \ll 1 \quad \rightarrow \quad \phi > M_{pl} = 10^{18} \text{ GeV}$$

$$V(\phi_0) = \rho_{DE} = 10^{-48} \text{ GeV}^4 \quad \rightarrow \quad m = \left(\frac{\rho_{DE}}{\phi^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = 10^{-42} \text{ GeV} \approx H_0$$

Correction to the potential

$$V(\phi) = \frac{1}{4} \lambda \phi^4 < \rho_{DE} \quad \rightarrow \quad \lambda < 10^{-120}$$

these small numbers are very difficult to protect against quantum corrections

Modified Gravity

- Lovelock theorem

4D theory of metric and the equations of motion is given by

$$S_{\mu\nu}(g) = \kappa^2 T_{\mu\nu}$$

we require $S_{\mu\nu}(g)$ is

1. a tensor made from the metric and its first and second derivatives
2. symmetric
3. divergence free

➡ $S_{\mu\nu}(g) = a G_{\mu\nu} + b g_{\mu\nu}$

Beyond Einstein

- Lovelock theorem indicates that if you modify Einstein theory then you must do one or more of the following
 - Consider other fields (scalars, vectors, etc)
 - Accept higher derivatives
 - Work in a space with more than four dimensions
 - Non-local gravity, metric-affine gravity, ...

Higher derivative theories

- Ostrogradski ghost

Theories with higher derivatives $L(g, \dot{g}, \ddot{g})$

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \ddot{g}} \right) - \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{g}} \right) + \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial g} \right) = 0$$

We treat $\dot{g}$ as a new variable and $\ddot{g}$ as a new velocity (we need four initial conditions)

If the velocity $\ddot{g}$ can be expressed in terms of momenta $\partial L / \partial \ddot{g}$ (non-degeneracy condition), it can be shown that the Hamiltonian is not bounded from below [Woodard astro-ph/0601672](https://arxiv.org/abs/astro-ph/0601672)

f(R) gravity

- Generalise the Einstein-Hilbert action

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} F(R) + S_m[g], \quad F(R) = R + f(R)$$

- The equations of motion is fourth order

$$F'(R)R_{\mu\nu} - \frac{1}{2}F(R)g_{\mu\nu} - (\nabla_\mu \nabla_\nu + g_{\mu\nu} \square) F'(R) = \kappa^2 T_{\mu\nu}$$

but this theory violates the assumption of Ostrogradski theorem (i.e. non-degeneracy)

In fact the theory can be rewritten as scalar-tensor gravity

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} (F(\phi) + (R - \phi)F'(\phi)) \quad \frac{\delta S}{\delta \phi} = (R - \phi)F''(\phi) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \phi = R \quad (F''(R) \neq 0)$$

$$S = \int d^4x (\psi R - V(\psi)) \quad \psi = F'(\phi), \quad V = RF' - F$$

Brans-Dicke gravity

- Brans-Dicke (BD) gravity (Jordan frame)

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left(\psi R - \frac{\omega_{BD}}{\psi} (\nabla \psi)^2 + V(\psi) \right) + S_M[g_{\mu\nu}]$$

f(R) gravity $\omega_{BD} = 0$

- Einstein frame

Conformal transformation $\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu} = \frac{2\psi}{M_{pl}^2} g_{\mu\nu}, \quad \frac{\phi}{M_{pl}} = \frac{1}{2\alpha} \ln \left(\frac{2\psi}{M_{pl}^2} \right), \quad 2w_{BD} + 3 = 1/2\alpha^2$

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-\tilde{g}} \left(\frac{M_{pl}^2}{2} \tilde{R} - \frac{1}{2} (\tilde{\nabla} \phi)^2 - \tilde{V}(\phi) \right) + S_M[A^2(\phi) \tilde{g}_{\mu\nu}] \quad A(\phi) = \exp \left(\frac{\alpha \phi}{M_{pl}} \right)$$

the scalar field is coupled to matter

Horndeski theory

- The most general scalar tensor theory with 2nd order equations of motion

$${}^H S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} \left({}^H \mathcal{L}_2 + {}^H \mathcal{L}_3 + {}^H \mathcal{L}_4 + {}^H \mathcal{L}_5 \right)$$

$${}^H \mathcal{L}_2 = K(\phi, X),$$

$${}^H \mathcal{L}_3 = G_3(\phi, X) \square \phi,$$

$${}^H \mathcal{L}_4 = G_4(\phi, X) R - 2G_{4X}(\phi, X) [(\square \phi)^2 - \phi_{\mu\nu} \phi^{\mu\nu}] ,$$

$${}^H \mathcal{L}_5 = G_5(\phi, X) G^{\mu\nu} \phi_{\mu\nu} + \frac{1}{3} G_{5X}(\phi, X) [(\square \phi)^3 - 3 \square \phi \phi_{\mu\nu} \phi^{\mu\nu} + 2 \phi_{\mu\nu} \phi^{\nu\rho} \phi_{\rho}^{\mu}]$$

$$X \equiv \partial_{\mu} \phi \partial^{\mu} \phi \qquad \phi_{\mu\nu} \equiv \nabla_{\mu} \nabla_{\nu} \phi$$

Dvali-Gadadze-Porrati (DGP) braneworld model

- 5D braneworld model

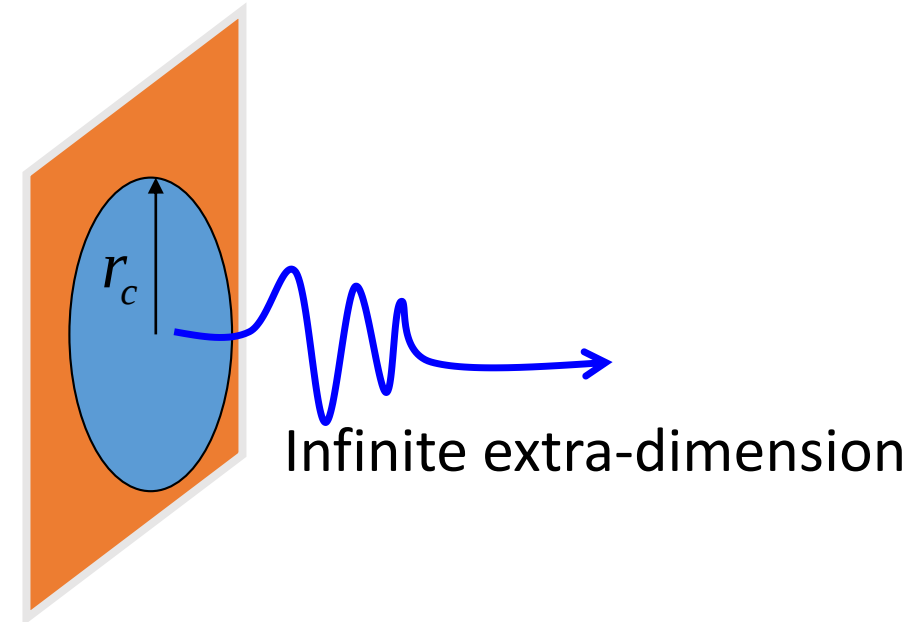
Standard model particles are confined to a 4D brane in a 5D bulk spacetime

$$S = \frac{1}{32\pi G r_c} \int d^5x \sqrt{-g_{(5)}} R_{(5)} + \frac{1}{16\pi G} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} R + \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} L_m$$

cross over scale r_c

$$\pm \frac{H}{r_c} = H^2 - \frac{8\pi G}{3} \rho$$

in the + branch, the expansion of the universe accelerates without the cosmological constant (self-accelerating solution)



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Modified Gravity and Cosmology

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Summary

- DE/MG models

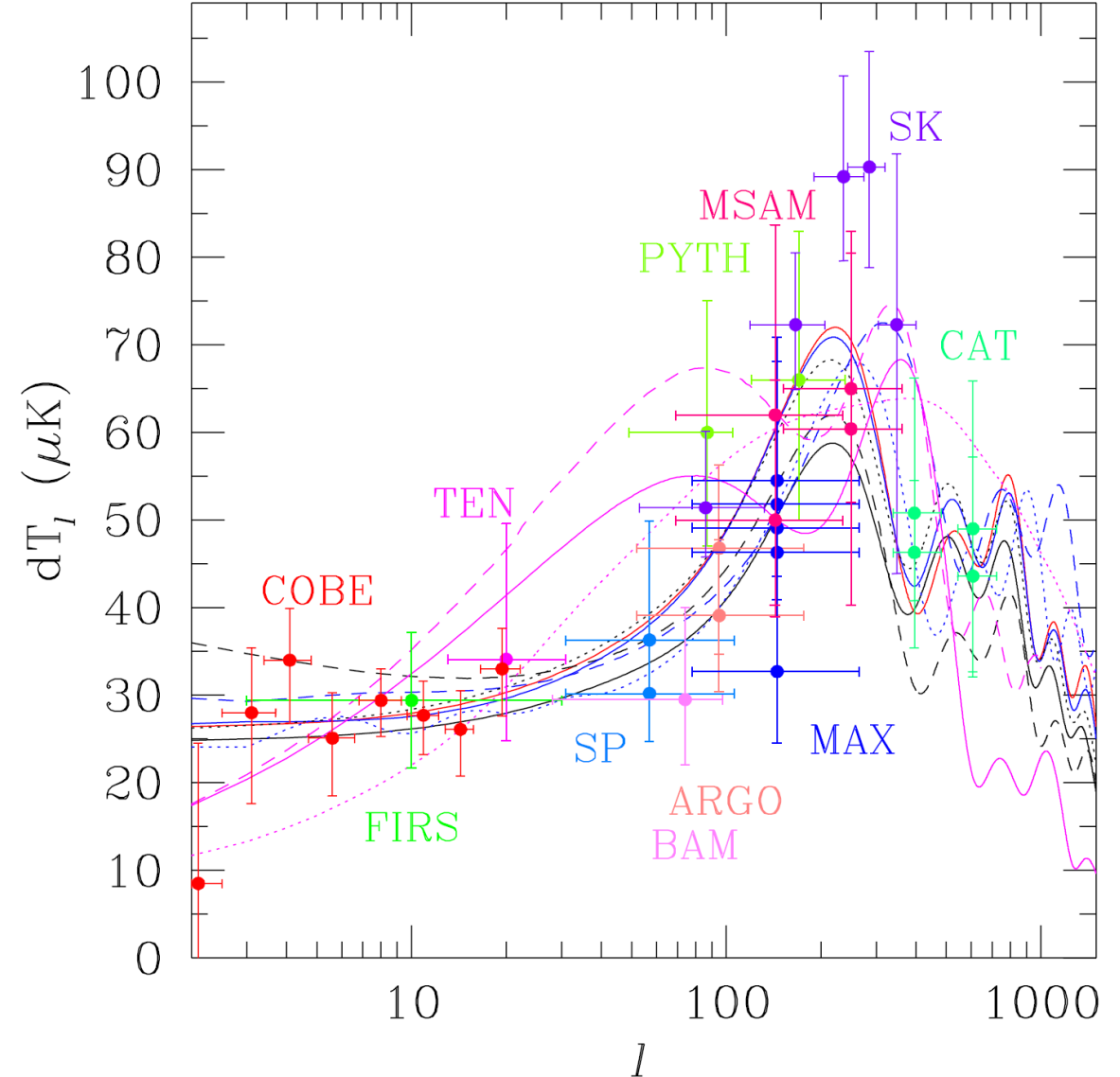
There are many models but we still do not have a compelling alternative to LCDM

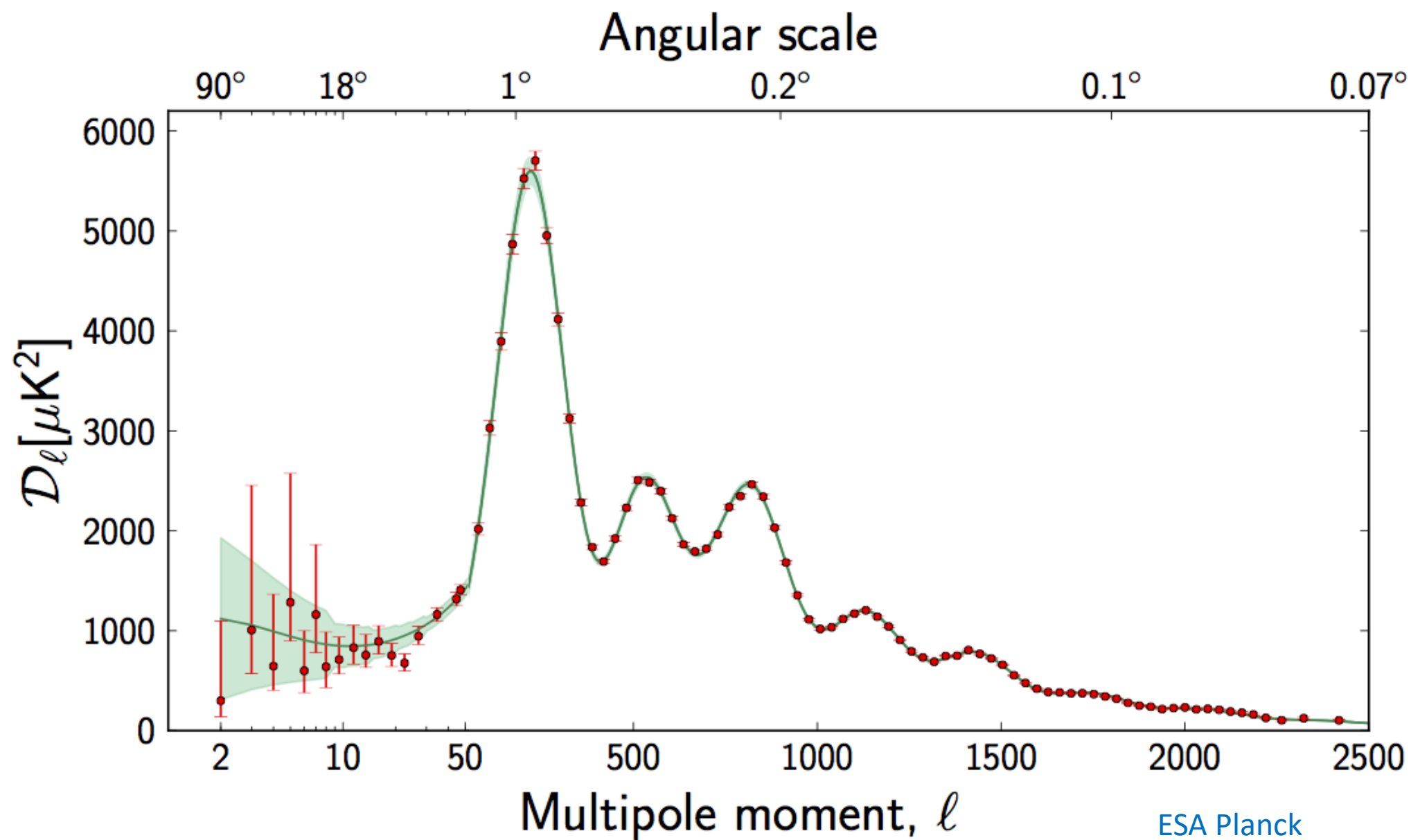
Observation may give us a clue:

Is it the cosmological constant or a light degree of freedom?

Does it cluster or couple to matter?

cf. CMB (before WMAP)





GW170817 with GRB170817A

- Almost simultaneous detections of GWs and gamma ray bursts from a neutron star merger put a strong constraint

$$\frac{c_{GW}}{c} - 1 < 10^{-15}$$

- implications for Horndeski theories

without fine-tuning

$$G_{4X} = G_{5X} = G_{5\phi} = 0$$

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Fundamental issues

- Theoretical consistency

modified gravity models often suffer from instabilities

(cf. the self-accelerating solution in DGP model suffers from ghost instabilities)

- Small numbers

cf. viable $f(R)$ models

$$F(R) = R - 2\Lambda_{eff} - \frac{R_0^{n+1}}{R^n}, \quad \Lambda_{eff} \approx R_0 \approx H_0^2$$

DGP models $r_c \approx H_0^{-1}$

Ultra-light scalar field

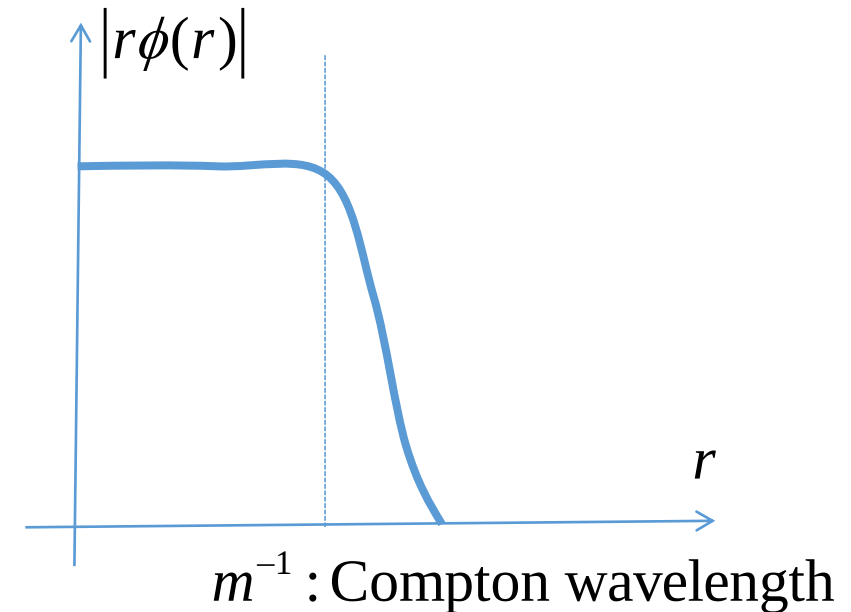
- In most of DE/MG models, there exists a scalar field with tiny mass

$$S = \int d^4x \left[-\frac{1}{2} (\partial_\mu \phi) (\partial^\mu \phi) - \frac{1}{2} m^2 \phi^2 \right] - \frac{\alpha}{M_{pl}} \int d^4x \phi \rho$$

static source

$$(\nabla^2 - m^2)\phi = \frac{\alpha}{M_{pl}} \rho, \quad \frac{\phi}{M_{pl}} = -\left(\frac{\alpha}{4\pi M_{pl}^2} \right) \frac{M}{r} \exp(-mr)$$

➔
$$\begin{cases} \phi = -\left(\frac{\alpha}{4\pi M_{pl}^2} \right) \frac{M}{r}, & r < m^{-1} \\ \phi \rightarrow 0, & r > m^{-1} \end{cases}$$



if $m^{-1} \approx H_0^{-1}$ the scalar field mediates a long range force

Fifth force

- Due to the coupling between the scalar and matter, the geodesic equation is modified as

$$\ddot{\vec{a}} = -\nabla\Psi - \frac{\alpha}{M_{pl}} \nabla\phi = F_G + \boxed{F_5} \quad \text{Fifth force}$$

$$F_5 = \frac{2\alpha^2}{8\pi M_{pl}^2} \frac{M}{r^2} \quad \text{for } r < m^{-1}$$

$$F_G = \frac{1}{8\pi M_{pl}^2} \frac{M}{r^2}$$

Fifth force is strongly constrained in the solar system

$$\alpha^2 < 10^{-5}, \quad w_{BD} > 40,000 \quad (3 + 2w_{BD}) = 1 / 2\alpha^2$$

Way out

- Quintessence

the coupling to matter is assumed to be zero $\alpha^2 = 0$

- Violation of weak equivalence principle

the solar system constraints come from coupling to baryons $\alpha_{baryon}^2 = 10^{-5}$

the coupling to cold dark matter can be large $\alpha_{cdm}^2 = O(1)$

interacting dark energy

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-\tilde{g}} \left(\frac{M_{pl}^2}{2} \tilde{R} - \frac{1}{2} (\tilde{\nabla} \phi)^2 - \tilde{V}(\phi) \right) + S_{cdm} [A^2(\phi) \tilde{g}_{\mu\nu}] + S_{baryon} [\tilde{g}_{\mu\nu}]$$

Screening mechanism

- The coupling constant or mass need to be scale dependent

$$\begin{array}{ll} m|_{\text{cosmo}} = O(H_0) & m|_{\text{local}} \gg H_0 \\ \alpha^2|_{\text{cosmo}} = O(1) & \alpha^2|_{\text{local}} \rightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

- Two representative mechanisms
 1. Chameleon mechanism
 2. Vainshtein mechanism

Screening mechanism

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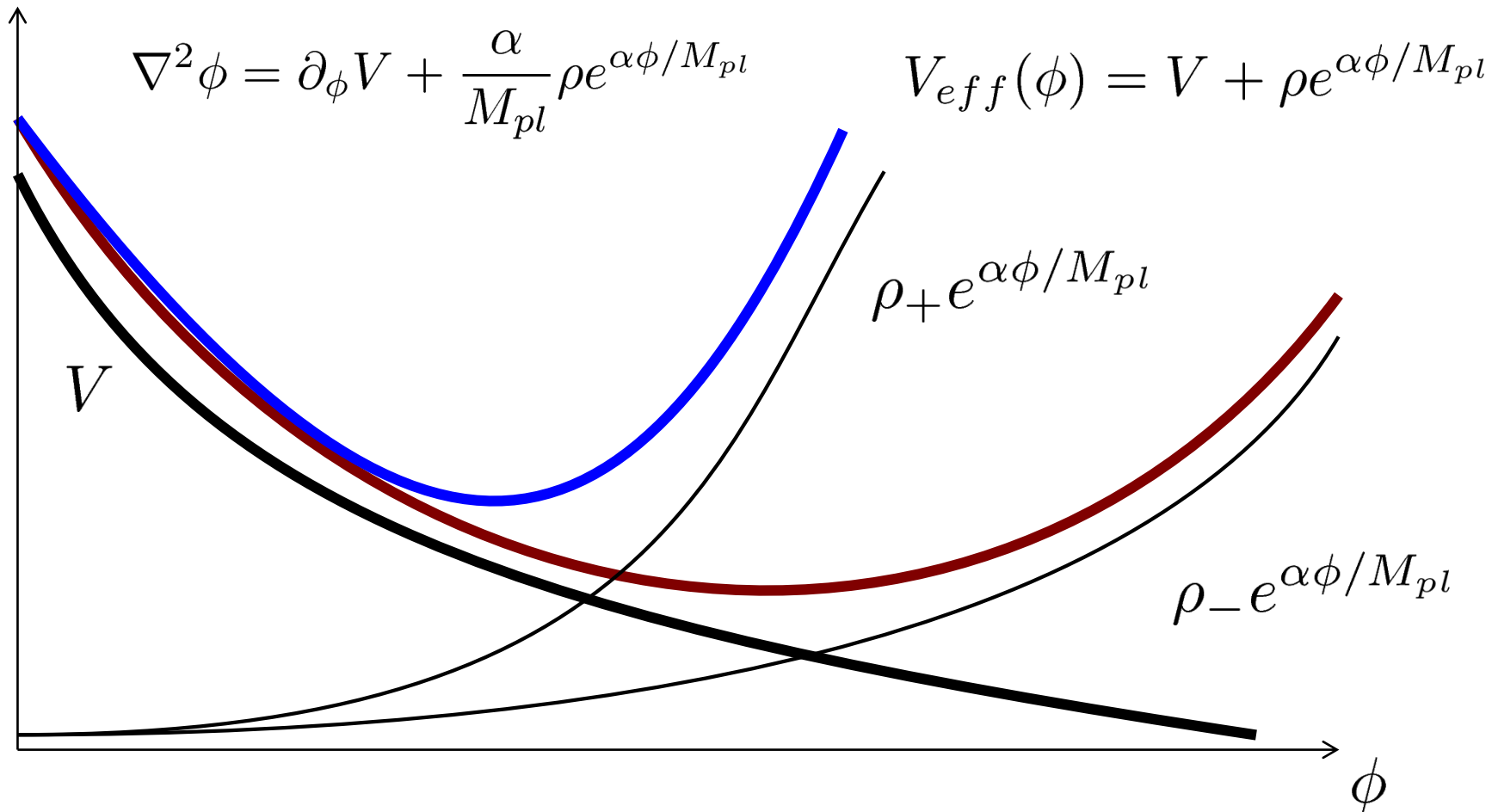
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Chameleon mechanism

Khoury & Weltman astro-ph/0309300

$$S = \int d^4x \sqrt{-\tilde{g}} \left(\frac{M_{pl}^2}{2} R - \frac{1}{2} (\nabla \phi)^2 - V(\phi) \right) + S_m[A^2(\phi) g_{\mu\nu}] \quad A(\phi) = \exp\left(\alpha \frac{\phi}{M_{pl}}\right)$$

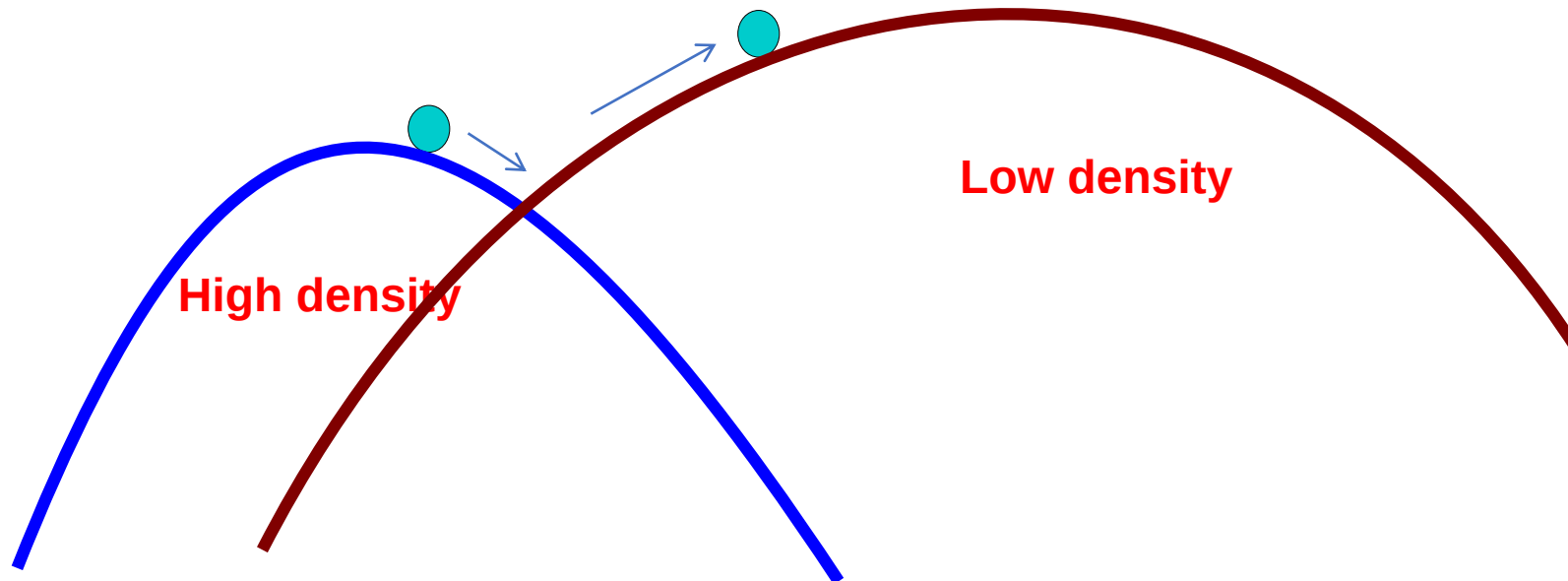


Analytic solution

- Analytic solution - spherically symmetric case

$$\phi'' + \frac{2}{r}\phi' = V'_{eff}(\phi) \quad \ddot{\phi} + \frac{2}{t}\dot{\phi} = -V'_{eff}(\phi)$$

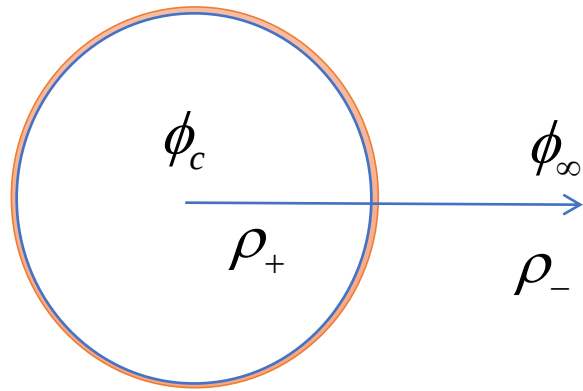
Analogy - a ball rolling on upside down potential



Thin shell condition

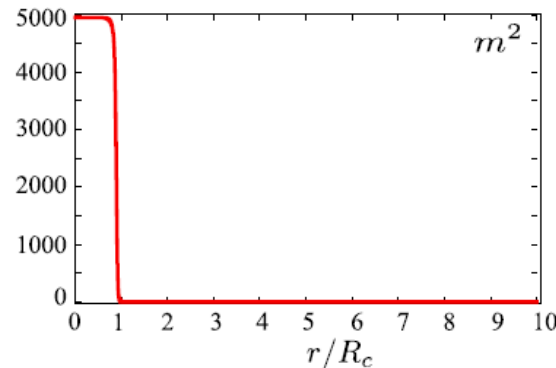
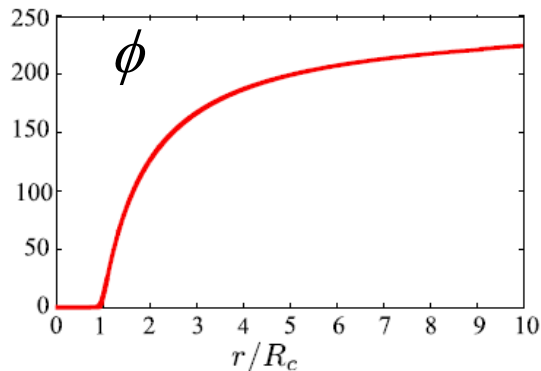
- If the thin shell condition is satisfied, only the shell of the size ΔR_c contributes to the fifth force [Khoury & Weltman astro-ph/0309411](#)

$$V_{eff}(\phi) = V + \rho e^{\alpha\phi/M_{pl}}$$



$$\phi(r) = -\left(\frac{\alpha}{4\pi M_{pl}}\right)\left(\frac{3\Delta R_c}{R_c}\right)\frac{M \exp(-m_\infty(r - R_c))}{r} + \phi_\infty$$

$$\frac{\Delta R_c}{R_c} = \frac{(\phi_\infty - \phi_c) / M_{pl}}{6\alpha\Psi_c} \ll 1 \quad \Psi_c = \frac{GM}{R_c}$$



Screening is determined by the gravitational potential of the object

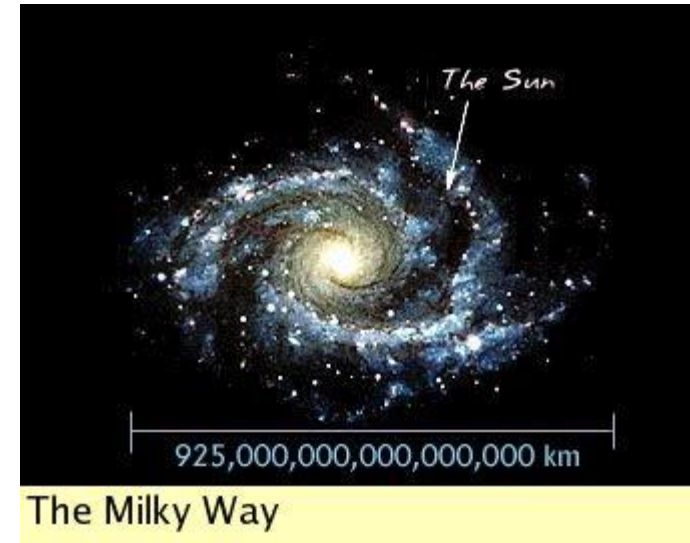
Solar system constraints

- Solar system constraints

$$\rho_{\odot} \sim 10 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$$

$$\rho_{gal} \sim 10^{-24} \text{ g cm}^{-3}$$

$$\frac{\Delta R_c}{R_c} = \frac{\phi_{gal} - \phi_{\odot}}{6\alpha M_{pl} \Psi_{\odot}} \sim \frac{\phi_{gal}}{6\alpha M_{pl} \Psi_{\odot}}$$



The sun has a potential $\Psi_{\odot} \sim 10^{-6}$

The thin shell suppression eases the constraints $\alpha = O(1)$

$$\frac{\Delta R_c}{R_c} \leq 10^{-5} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{\phi_{gal}}{M_{pl}} < 5 \times 10^{-11}$$

This is a model (potential) independent constraint

From galaxy to cosmology

- Example

$$V = V_0 - M^4 \left(\phi / M_{pl} \right)^{1/2} \quad \frac{\phi_{gal}}{M_{pl}} = \left(\frac{M^4}{\alpha \rho_{gal}} \right)^2 \quad \begin{aligned} \rho_{gal} &\sim 10^{-24} \text{ g cm}^{-3} \\ \rho_{crit} &\sim 10^{-29} \text{ g cm}^{-3} \end{aligned}$$

Solar system constraints

$$\frac{\phi_{gal}}{M_{pl}} < 10^{-11} \quad \frac{\phi_{cosmo}}{M_{pl}} = \left(\frac{M^4}{\alpha \rho_{crit}} \right)^2 \simeq 10^{10} \frac{\phi_{gal}}{M_{pl}} \leq 10^{-1} \quad M \simeq 10^{-3} \text{ eV}$$

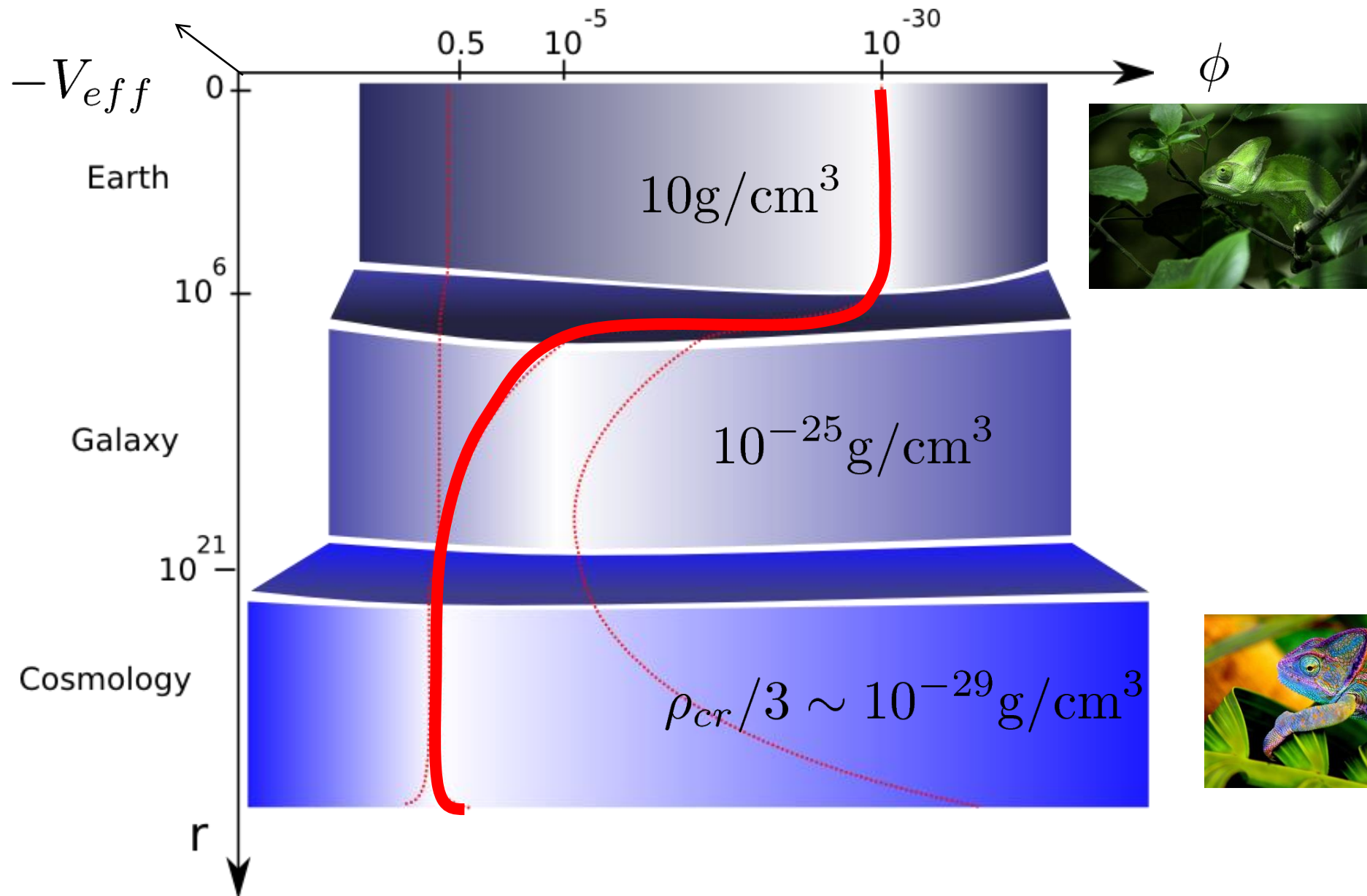
Galaxy

$$\frac{\Delta R_c}{R_c} = \frac{\phi_{cosmo} - \phi_{gal}}{6\alpha M_{pl} \Psi_{gal}} \sim \frac{\phi_{cosmo}}{6\alpha M_{pl} \Psi_{gal}}$$

The Milky way galaxy $\Psi_{Milk} \sim 10^{-6}$

in order to screen the Milky way, we need $\frac{\phi_{cosmo}}{M_{pl}} < 10^{-6}$

From solar system to cosmology



Vainshtein mechanism

- Vainshtein mechanism

originally discussed in massive gravity

rediscovered in DGP brane world model

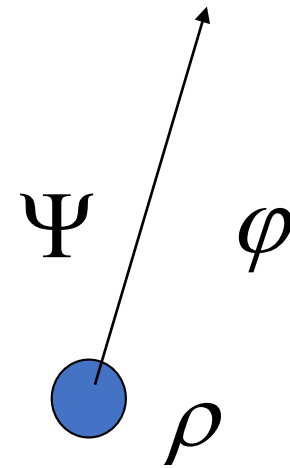
linear theory $\omega_{BD} = 0$

$$3\nabla^2\varphi = -8\pi G\rho$$

$$\nabla^2\Psi = 4\pi G\rho - \frac{1}{2}\nabla^2\varphi \quad ds^2 = -(1+2\Psi)dt^2 + a(t)^2(1-2\Phi)d\vec{x}^2 \quad \psi = \psi_0 + \varphi$$

even if gravity is weak, the scalar can be non-linear $r_c \sim m^{-1} \sim H_0^{-1}$

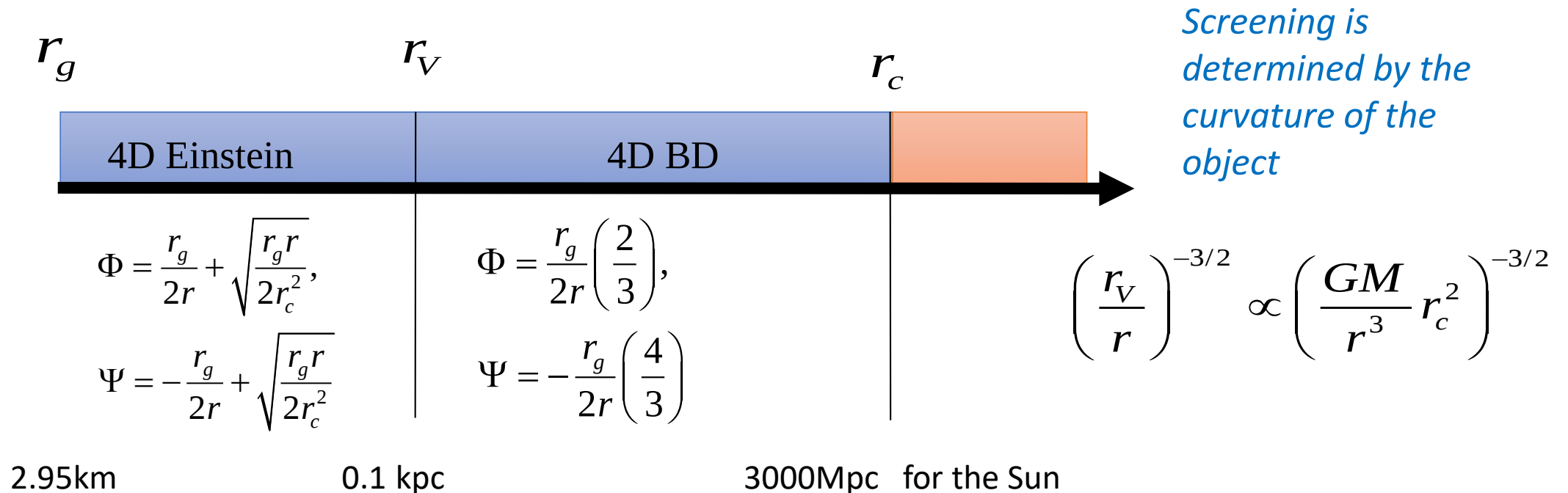
$$3\nabla^2\varphi + r_c^2 \left\{ \left(\nabla^2\varphi \right)^2 - \partial_i\partial_j\varphi \partial^i\partial^j\varphi \right\} = 8\pi G a^2 \rho$$



Vainshtein radius

- Spherically symmetric solution for the scalar

$$\frac{d\phi}{dr} = \frac{r_g}{r^2} \Delta(r), \quad \Delta(r) = \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{r}{r_V} \right)^3 \left(\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{r_V}{r} \right)^3} - 1 \right) \quad r_V = \left(\frac{8r_c^2 r_g}{9} \right)^{\frac{1}{3}}, \quad r_g = 2GM$$



Solar system constraints

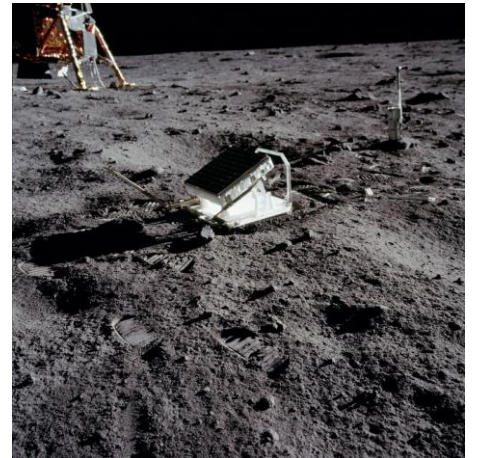
- The fractional change in the gravitational potential $\varepsilon = \frac{\delta\Psi}{\Psi}$
The anomalous perihelion precession

$$\delta\phi = \pi r \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left[r^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{r} \right) \right]$$

The vainshtein radius is shorter for a smaller object

Lunar laser ranging: the Earth-moon distance $r_{E-M} = 4.1 \times 10^5 \text{ km}$

$$\delta\phi = \frac{3\pi}{4} \left(\frac{r_{E-M}^3}{2GM_{\oplus} r_c^2} \right)^{1/2} < 2.4 \times 10^{-11} \quad \Rightarrow \quad r_c > H_0^{-1}$$



Screening mechanisms

- They look contrived but some theories naturally have these mechanisms

f(R) gravity

$$F(R) = R - 2\Lambda_{eff} - \frac{R_0^{n+1}}{R^n}$$

we expect to recover GR in the limit $R / R_0 \gg 1$

In fact, in Einstein frame this is nothing but chameleon with $V = V_0 - M^4 \left(\phi / M_{pl} \right)^{1/2}$

DGP gravity

$$S = \frac{1}{32\pi G r_c} \int d^5x \sqrt{-g_{(5)}} R_{(5)} + \frac{1}{16\pi G} \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} R + \int d^4x \sqrt{-g} L_m$$

we expect to recover GR in the limit $r / r_c \gg 1$ and this is realised by Vainshtein

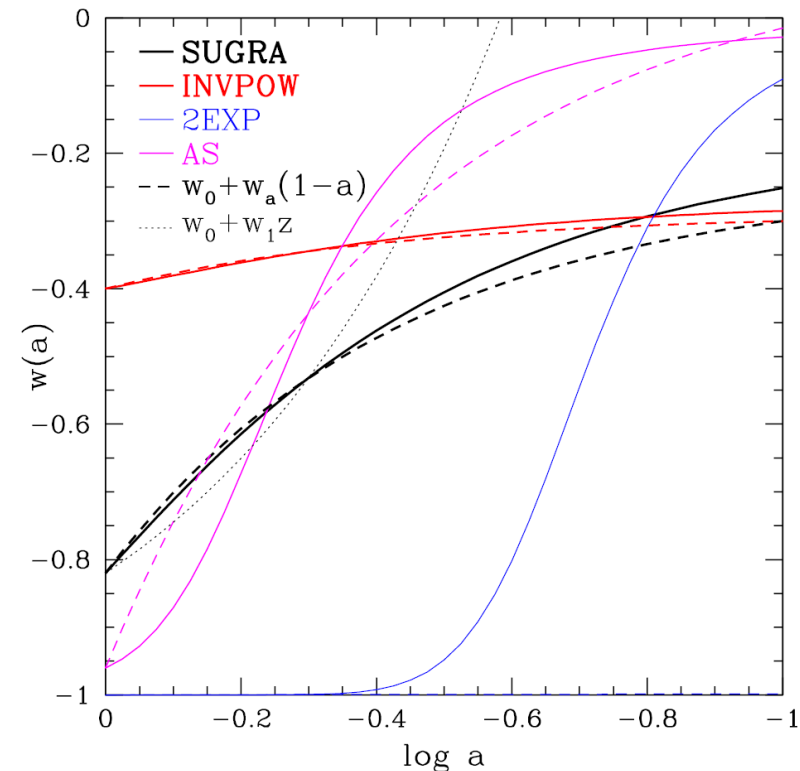
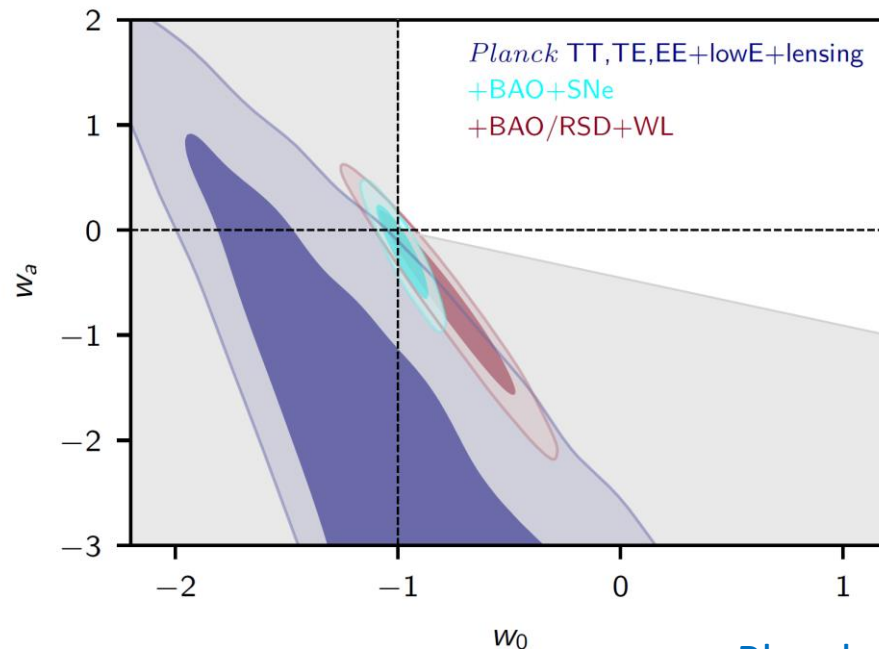
Observational tests

Background expansion history

- Background expansion is determined by the equation of state

Parametrisation

$$w_{DE} = w_0 + w_a(1-a) = w_0 + w_a \frac{z}{1+z}$$



Model independent approach

- Principal component analysis

Approximate $w_{DE}(z)$ with many stepwise constant values

$$1 + w_{DE}(z) = \sum_{i=1}^N w_i \theta_i(z)$$

Errors on w_i are highly correlated. We diagonalise the covariant matrix

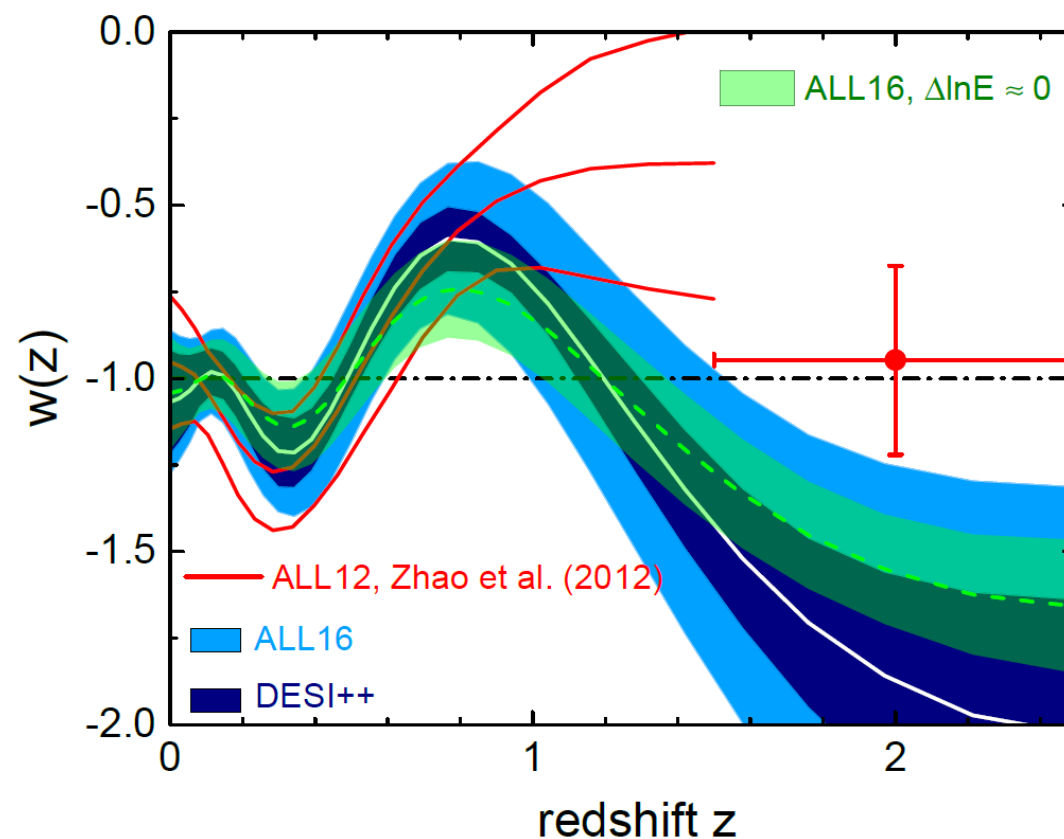
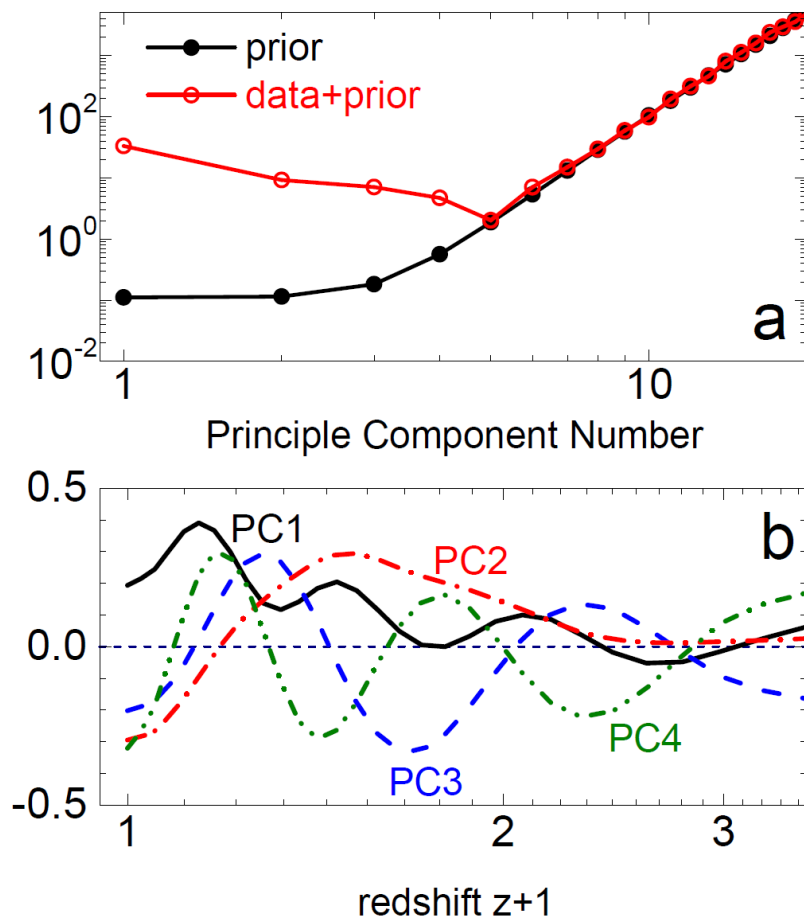
$$C_{ij} = \langle (w_i - \bar{w}_i)(w_j - \bar{w}_j) \rangle \quad C = W \Lambda^{-1} W^T, \quad W = (\vec{e}_1, \vec{e}_2, \dots), \quad \Lambda_{ij} = \lambda_i \delta_{ij}$$

$$1 + w_{DE}(z) = \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i e_i(z)$$

Errors on new parameters $\alpha_i = \sum_j W_{ij}(w_j - \bar{w}_j)$ are uncorrelated and given by $\sqrt{\lambda_i}$

Reconstructed equation of state

- Latest results (2016) [Zhao et.al. arXiv:1701.08165](#)



Model based parametrisation

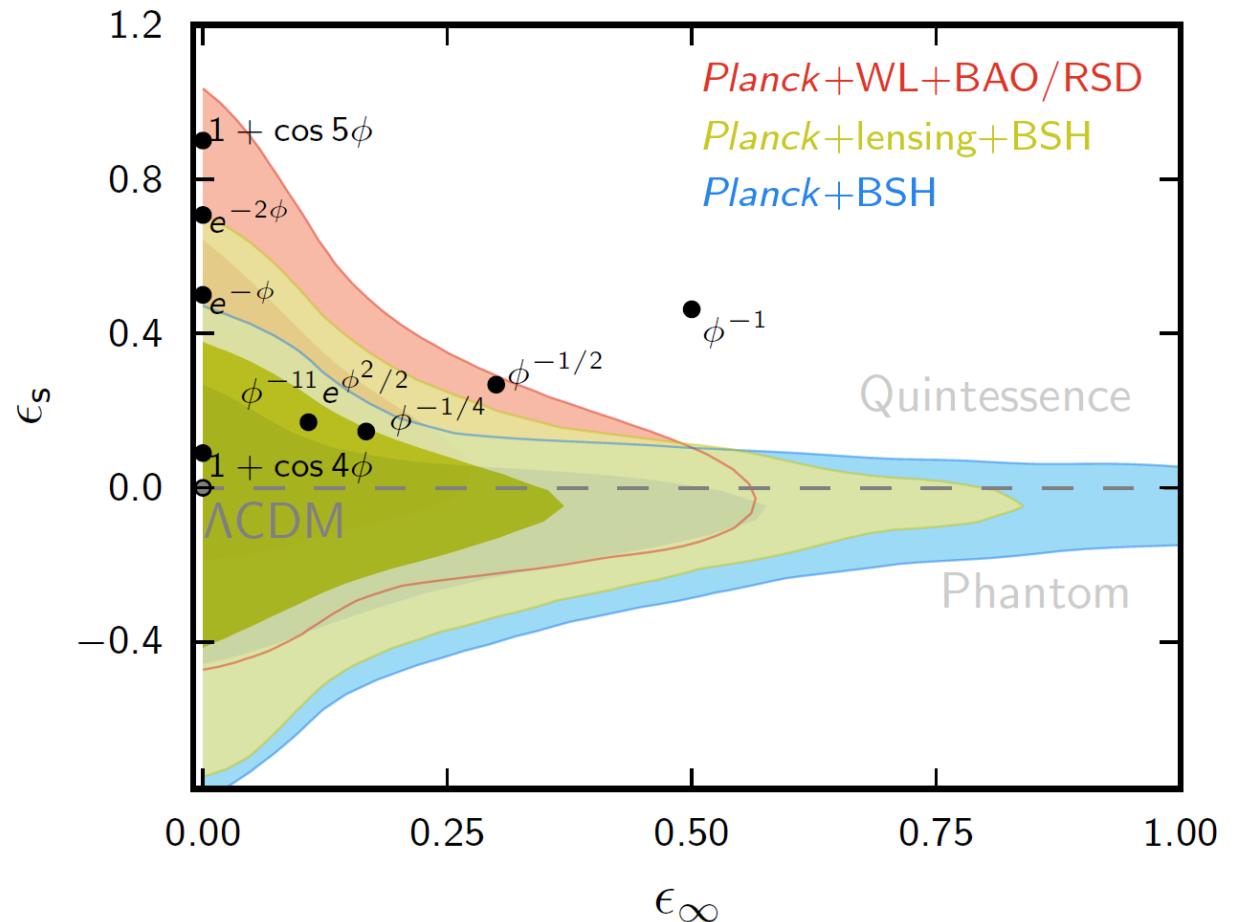
- Parametrisation

$$1 + w_\phi \approx \frac{2}{3} \varepsilon_\phi \Omega_\phi(a)$$

$$\varepsilon_\phi = \frac{1}{2\kappa^2} \left(\frac{V'}{V} \right)^2, \quad \Omega_\phi = \frac{\rho_\phi}{\rho_\phi + \rho_m}$$

$$\varepsilon_s = \varepsilon_\phi(\rho_m = \rho_{DE})$$

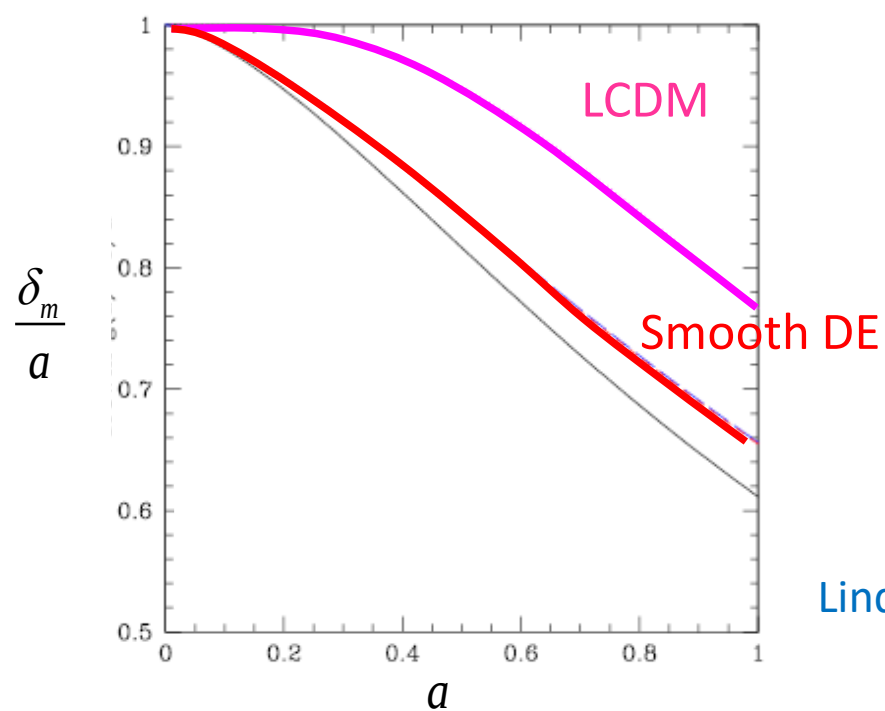
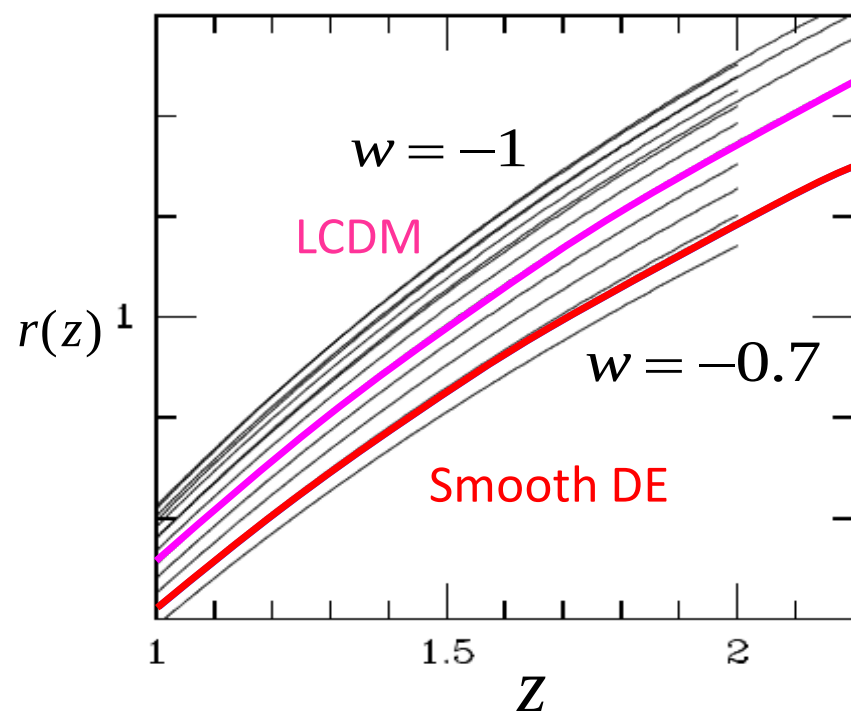
$$\varepsilon_\infty = \varepsilon_\phi \Omega_\phi(a \rightarrow 0)$$



Expansion history v structure growth

- LCDM/Smooth DE

There is a one-to-one correspondence between background expansion history and growth of structure



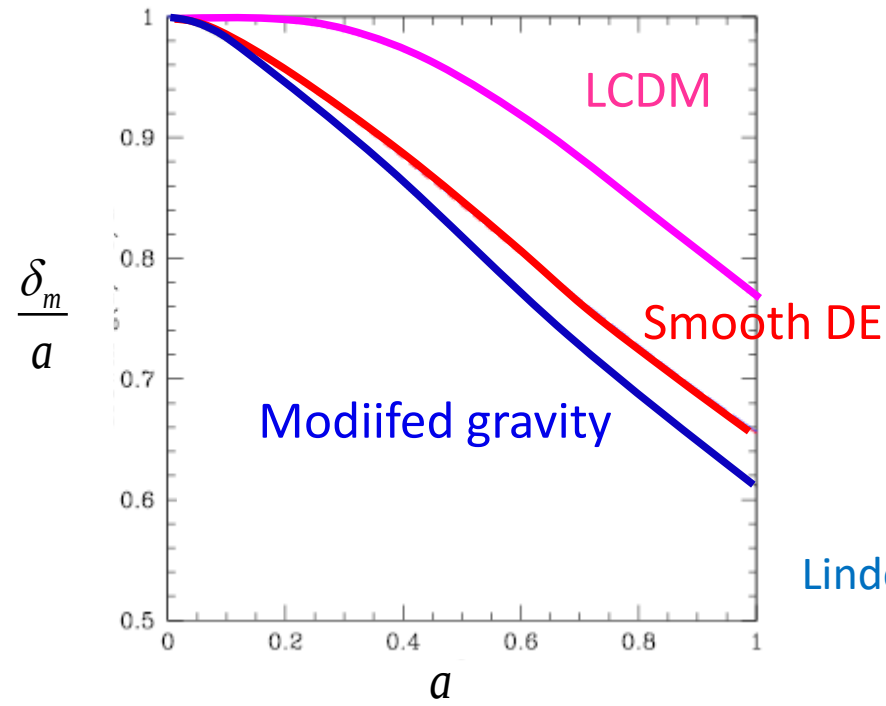
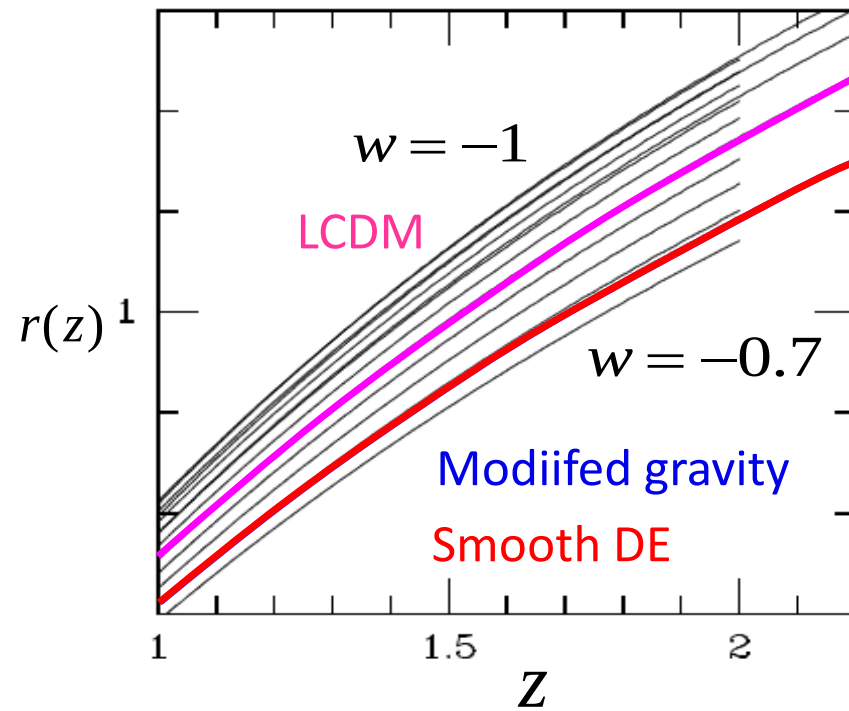
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Expansion history v structure growth

- Modified gravity

Structure growth is controlled also by a modified gravitational force

Even if it has the same expansion history as smooth DE, structure growth is different

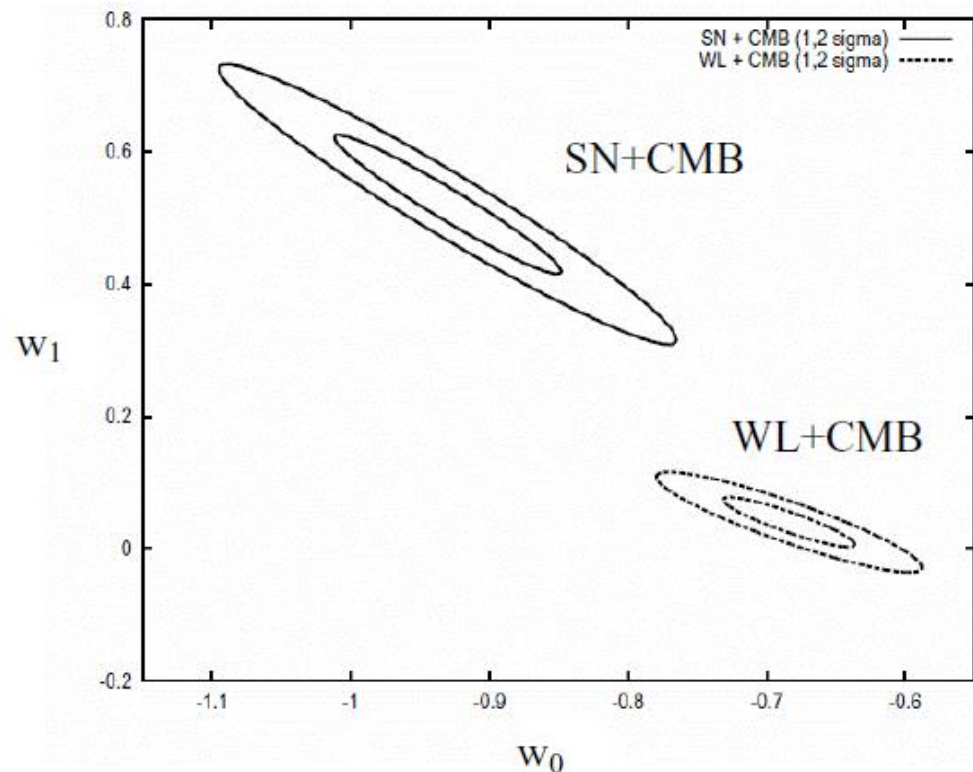


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Consistency test

Assume that the Universe is described by a modified gravity model but we still try to fit the data using smooth DE

$$w(z) = w_0 + w_1 z,$$



SNe+CMB

SNe+weak lensing

Inconsistent!

[Ishak et.al. astro-ph/0507184](#)

Parametrisation

- Parametrisation of Einstein equations

$$k^2 \Psi = -4\pi G a^2 \mu(k, a) \rho_m \Delta_m \quad ds^2 = a^2(\eta) \left[-(1 + 2\Psi) d\eta^2 + (1 - 2\Phi) \delta_{ij} dx^i dx^j \right]$$
$$\Phi = \eta(k, a) \Psi$$

equivalently, we can also parametrise the lensing potential

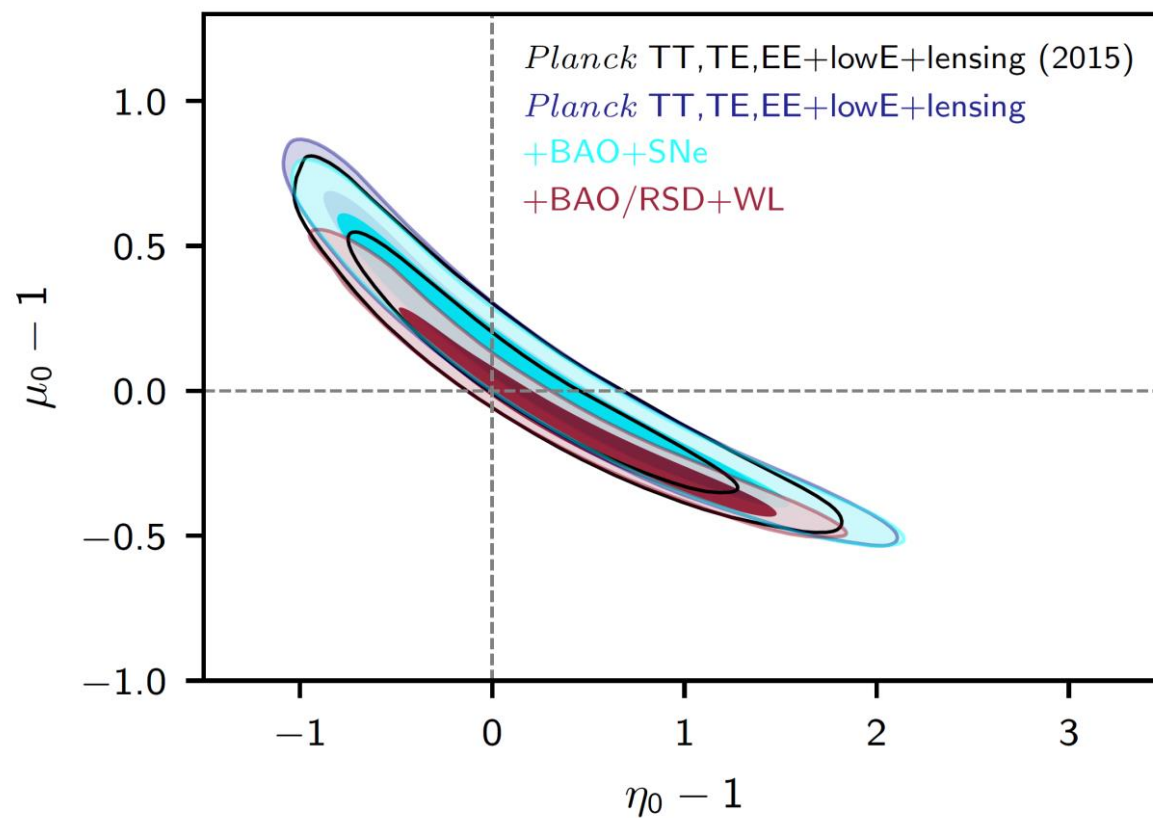
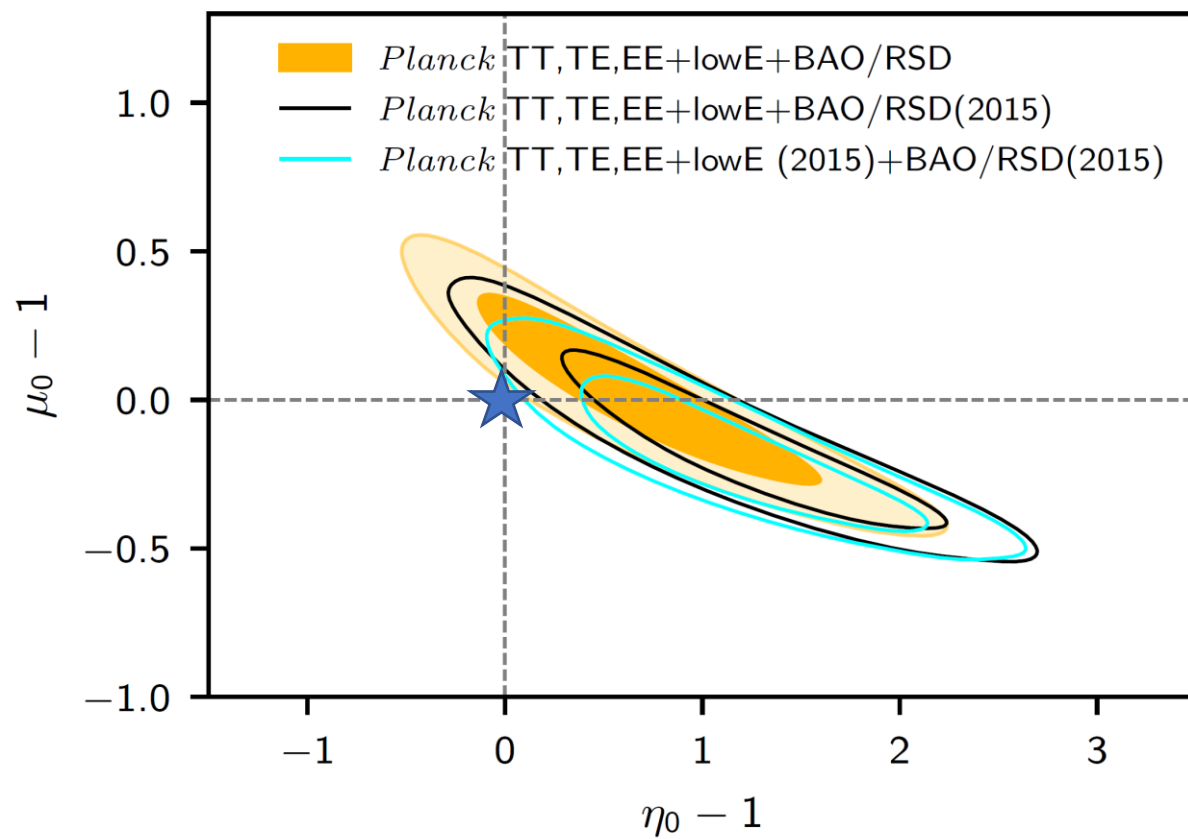
$$k^2 \Psi = -4\pi G a^2 \mu(k, a) \rho_m \Delta_m$$
$$k^2 \frac{(\Psi + \Phi)}{2} = -4\pi G a^2 \Sigma(k, a) \rho_m \Delta_m, \quad \Sigma = \frac{\mu(1 + \eta)}{2}$$

$$\mu = \eta = \Sigma = 1 \quad \text{for smooth DE}$$

Planck constraints

Planck collaboration 1807.06209

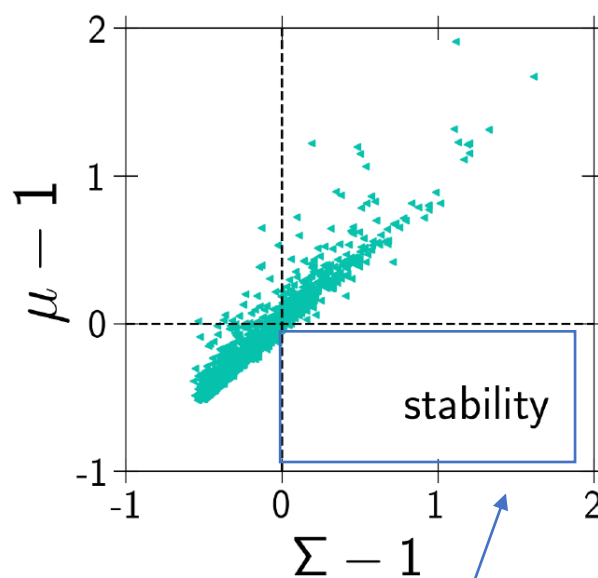
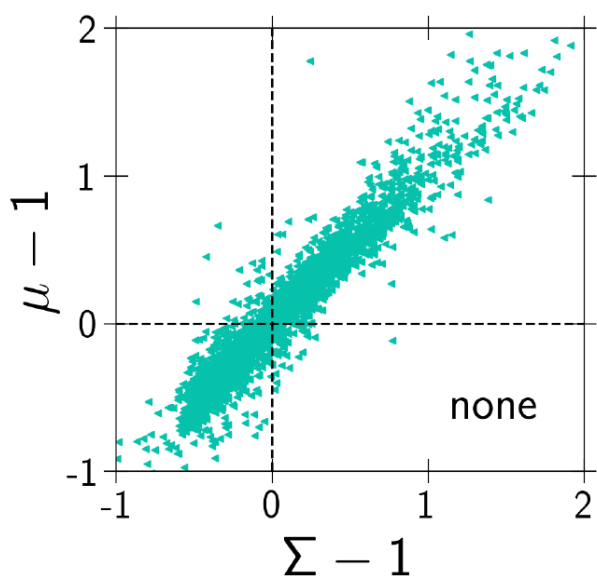
with CMB lensing



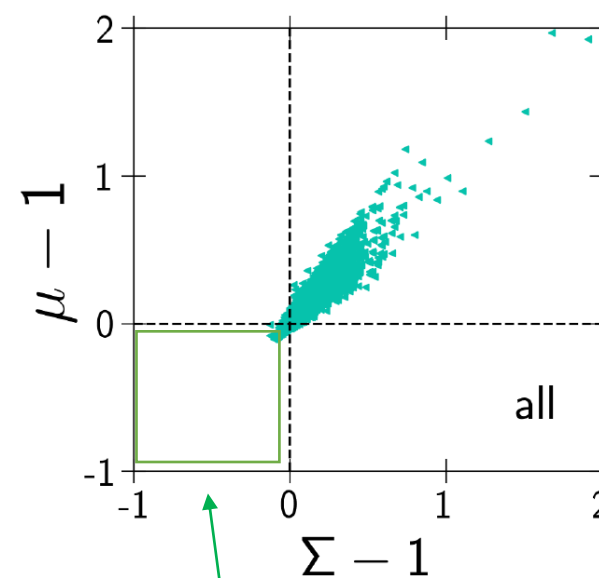
Predictions in Horndeski theory

- Models with $c_{GW} = 1$

Peirone et.al. arXiv:1712.00444

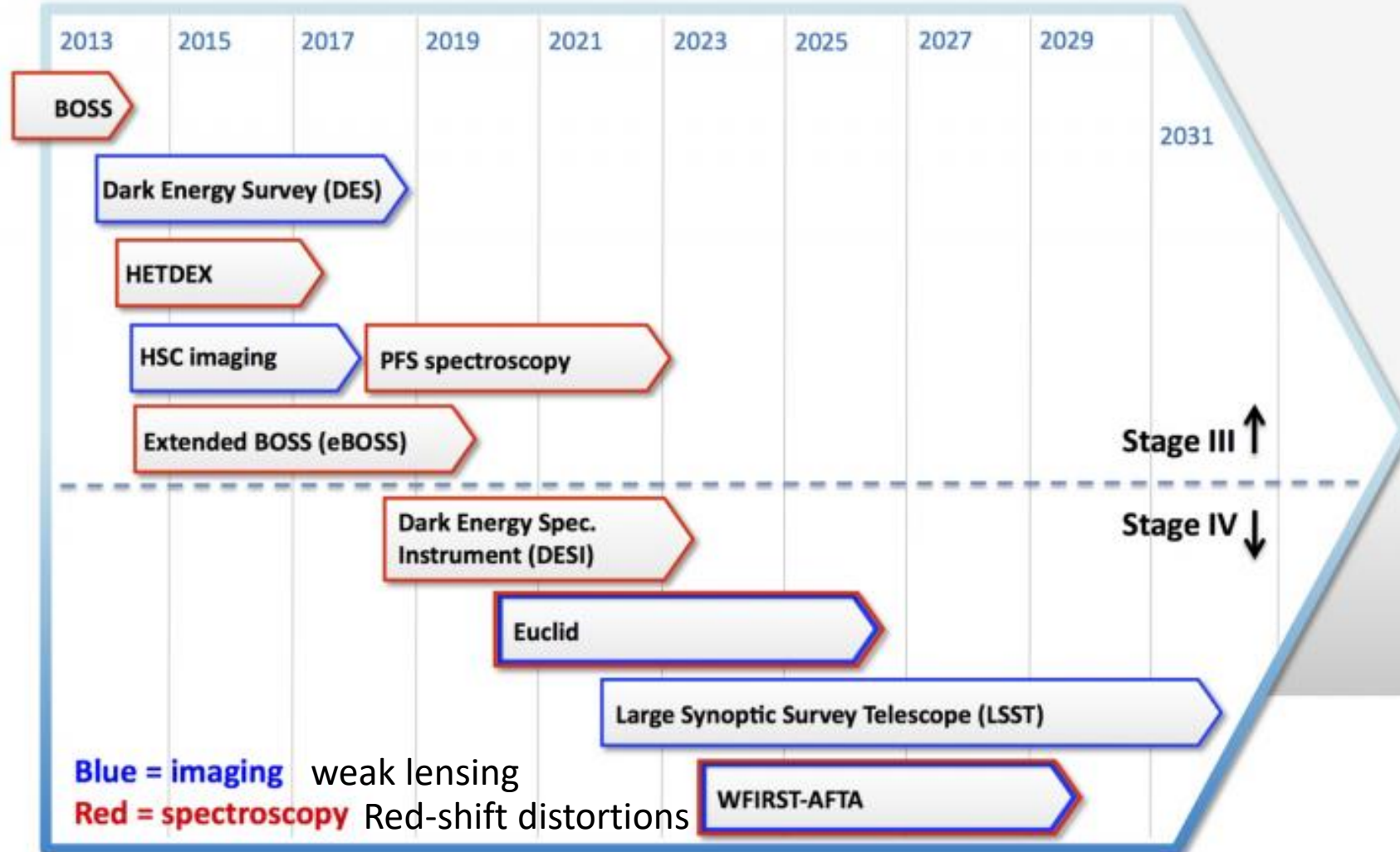


Stability condition removes this part



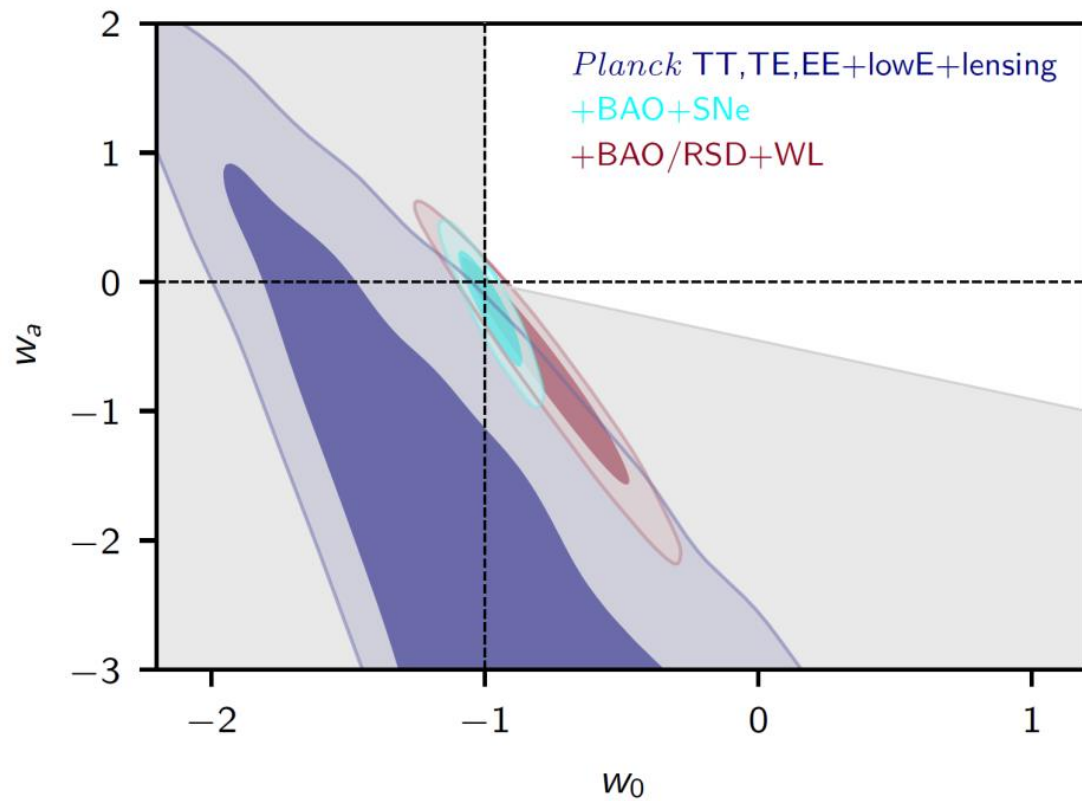
Observational condition removes this part

Dark Energy Experiments: 2013 - 2031

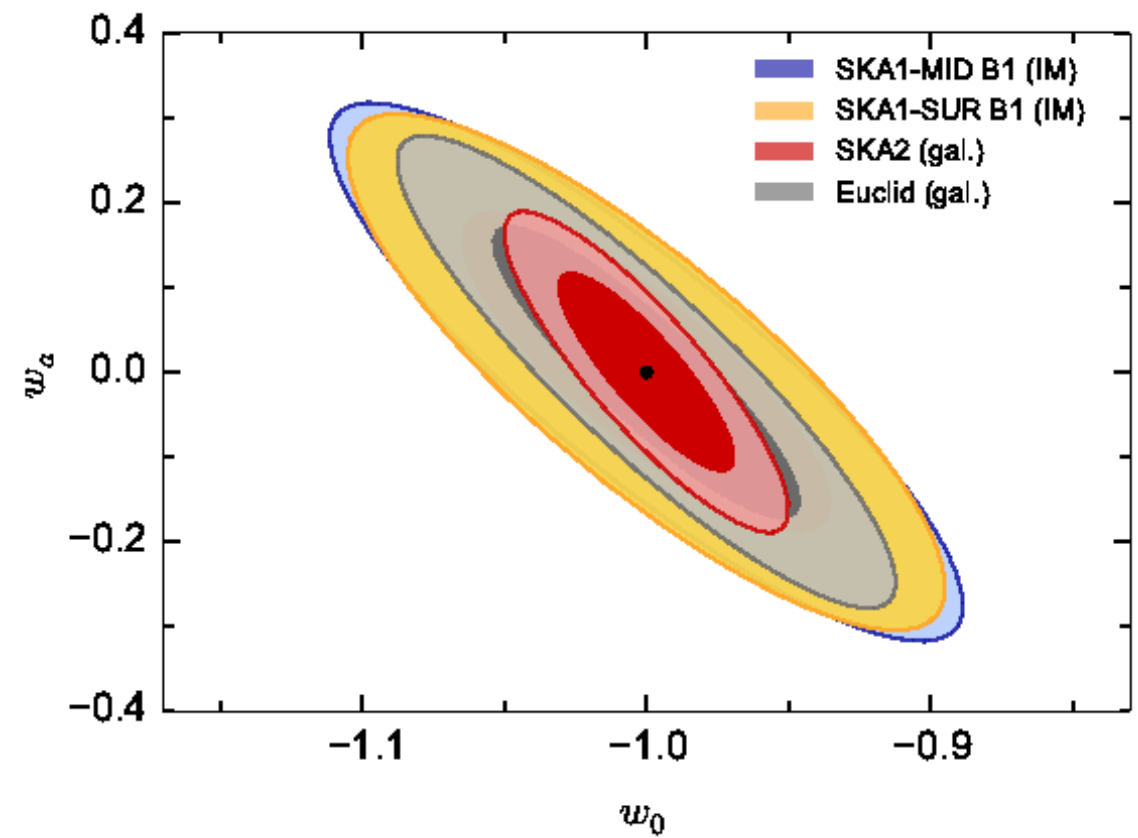


Future forecasts

current constraints

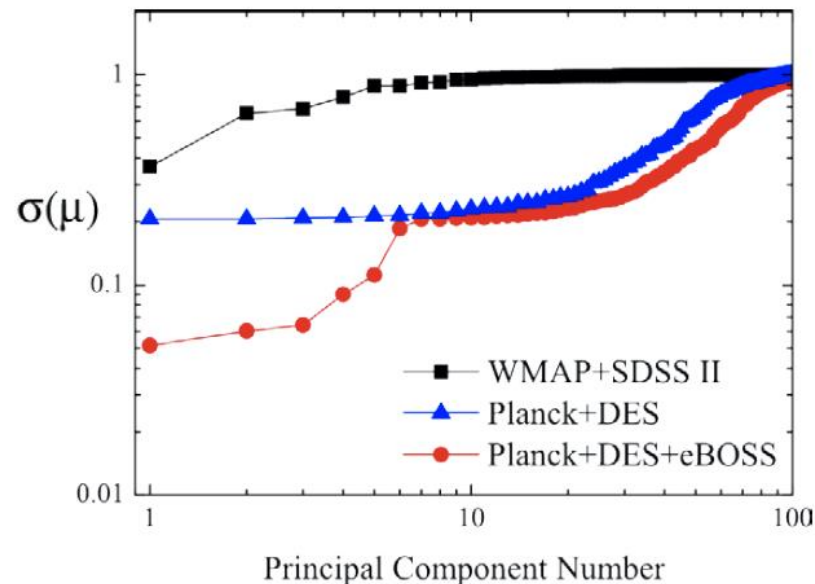


next 10 years



Future forecasts

Next few years



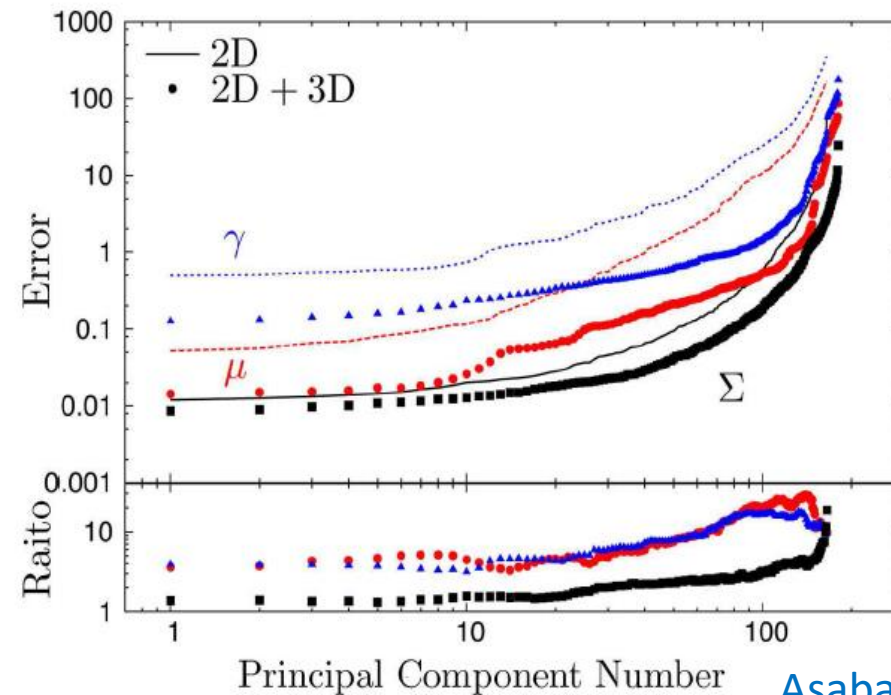
[Zhao et.al. 1510.08216](#)

DES (-2019) imaging

eBOSS (-2019) spectroscopic

Several parameters at the 5-10% level

Next 10 years

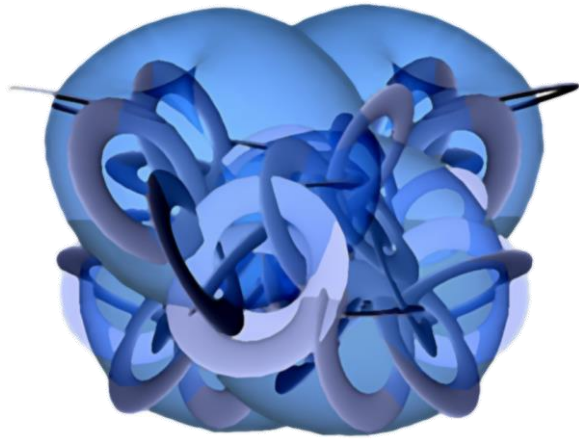


[Asaba et.al. 1306.2546](#)

Euclid (2021-)

10 parameters at the 1% level

From theory to observations

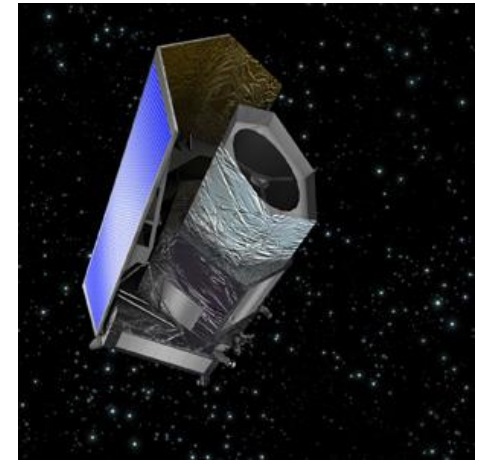


fluid approach
Effective Field Theory

many free functions



$$\mu(k_i, z_i), \Sigma(k_i, z_i)$$



$$C_{\ell}^{IJ}(z)$$

galaxy count
Lensing
ISW

systematics